

3rd Gen Intel® Xeon® Scalable Processor: Tencent AI Proof Points

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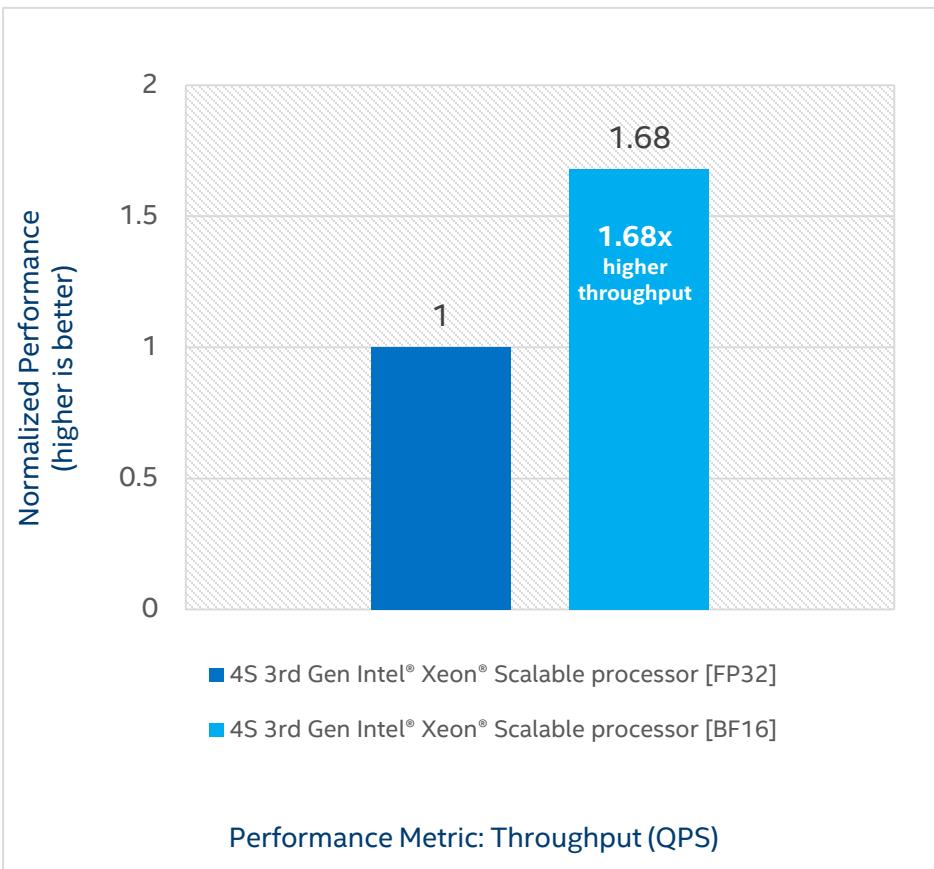
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Tencent* Search Engine



Application

- Tencent Search Engine uses a customized Natural Language Processing (NLP) Model with sub 30ms latency requirement for inference

Benefit

- Intel® Deep Learning Boost (Intel® DL Boost) with bfloat16 with oneAPI Deep Neural Network Library (oneDNN) **improved NLP throughput by 1.68x** with similar accuracy¹
- Enabled Tencent to increase NLP throughput on CPU, resulting in improved total cost of ownership (TCO) for Tencent search business

Performance Drivers

- Intel® DL Boost with bfloat16
- oneDNN 1.3

At a Glance

Intel® architecture + Adjacencies:

- 3rd Gen Intel® Xeon® Scalable processor (pre-production)

Feature Enabling

- Intel® DL Boost with bfloat16

Intel Software Tools/Libraries

- oneDNN 1.3

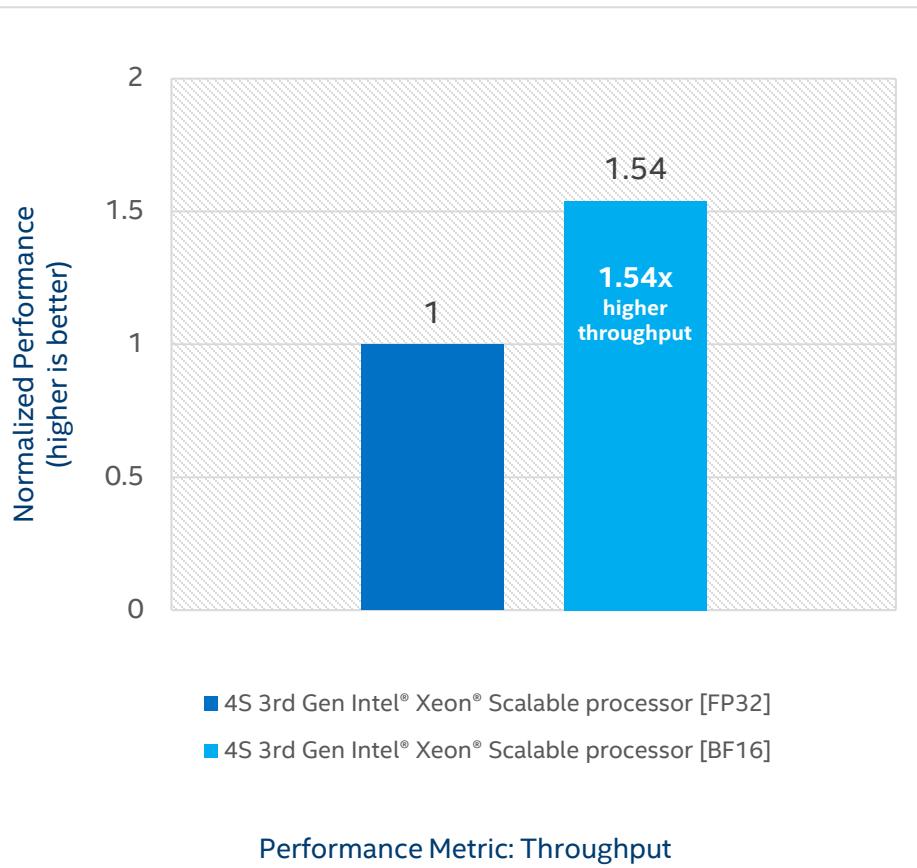
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Tencent Cloud Xiaowei* (TTS WaveRNN)



Application

- Tencent Cloud Xiaowei provides key end-to-end AI solution for smart devices (speaker, car, robot, TV, etc.)
- Speech synthesis is one of the key services with pWavenet, WaveRNN, CBHG being top models for text to speech (TTS)

Benefits

- Increased inference throughput on CPU and delivered better experience to Tencent's end users.
- With Operation (OP) fusion, GEMV and cache utilization optimization, Intel® Deep Learning Boost (Intel® DL Boost) with bfloat16 helped **improve custom waveRNN throughput by 1.54x** at similar accuracy¹

Performance Drivers

- Intel® DL Boost with bfloat16 to optimize WaveRNN Inference
- Operation (OP) fusion to decrease memory access
- Load balance for sparse GEMV and dense GEMV optimization

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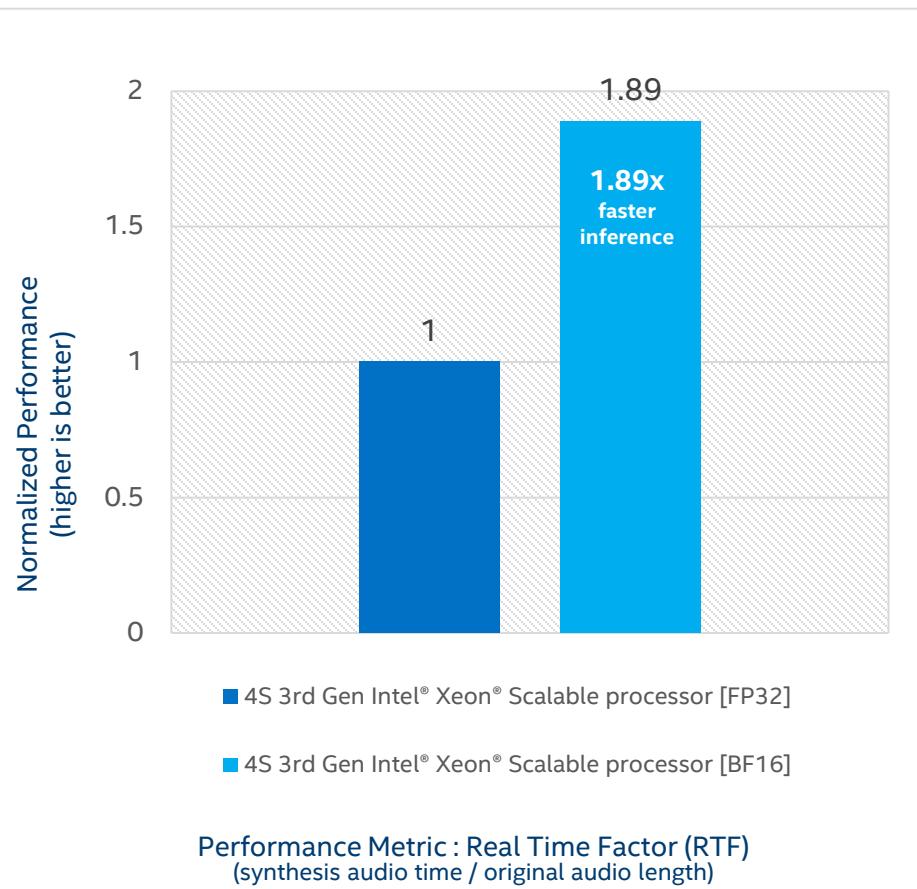
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Tencent Cloud Xiaowei* (TTS Parallel WaveNet)



Workload Description

- Tencent Cloud Xiaowei provides key end-to-end AI solution to smart devices (speaker, Car, Robot, TV, etc.)
- Speech synthesis is one of the key services with pWavenet, WaveRNN and CBHG being top models for text to speech (TTS)

Potential Customer Impact

- Reduced inference latency on the processor to provide better service experience to Tencent Cloud Xiaowei's end users
- With operation (OP) fusion, pWavenet big OP solution using Intel® Deep Learning Boost (Intel® DL Boost) with bfloat16 helped speed-up custom pWavenet by 1.89x with similar accuracy¹

Performance Drivers

- Intel® DL Boost with bfloat16
- oneDNN 1.3

At a Glance

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Feature Enabling

- Intel® DL Boost with bfloat16

Intel Software Tools/Libraries

- oneDNN 1.3

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Configurations

Tencent Search Engine Customized NLP model on TF1.14 Throughput Performance on 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family:

New: Tested by Intel as of 4/28/2020. 4 socket 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family (CPX pre-production SKU) Processor, 26 cores HT On Turbo ON Total Memory 384 GB (24 slots/ 16GB/ 2933 MHz), BIOS: WCCCPX6.RPB.0018.2020.0410.1316 (uicode:0x86000017), CentOS 8.1, 4.18.0-147.5.1.el8_1.x86_64, Deep Learning Framework: TF1.14
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Baseline: Tested by Intel as of 4/28/2020. 4 socket 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family (CPX pre-production SKU) Processor, 26 cores HT On Turbo ON Total Memory 384 GB (24 slots / 16GB/ 2933 MHz), BIOS: WCCCPX6.RPB.0018.2020.0410.1316 (uicode:0x86000017), CentOS 8.1, 4.18.0-147.5.1.el8_1.x86_64, Deep Learning Framework: TF1.14
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Tencent Cloud Xiaowei Customized WaveRNN on MXNetv1.7 Throughput Performance on 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family:

Opt. BF16 Solution: Tested by Intel as of 4/28/2020. 4 socket 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family (CPX pre-production SKU) Processor, 26 cores HT On Turbo ON Total Memory 384 GB (24 slots/ 16GB/ 2933 MHz), BIOS: WCCCPX6.RPB.0018.2020.0410.1316 (uicode:0x86000017), CentOS 8.1, 4.18.0-147.5.1.el8_1.x86_64, Deep Learning Framework: MXNet1.7
<https://github.com/apache/incubator-mxnet/tree/v1.7.x>, Compiler: gcc 8.3.1, oneDNN version: DNNLv1.3, Customized WaveRNN(Confidential), BS=1 , Customer Provided data, 104 Instances/4 socket, Datatype: BF16

BASELINE(Opt. FP32 Solution): Tested by Intel as of 4/28/2020. 4 socket 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family (CPX pre-production SKU) Processor, 26 cores HT On Turbo ON Total Memory 384 GB (24 slots / 16GB/ 2933 MHz), BIOS: WCCCPX6.RPB.0018.2020.0410.1316 (uicode:0x86000017), CentOS 8.1, 4.18.0-147.5.1.el8_1.x86_64, Deep Learning Framework: MXNet1.7 <https://github.com/apache/incubator-mxnet/tree/v1.7.x>, Compiler: gcc 8.3.1, oneDNN version: DNNLv1.3, Customized WaveRNN(Confidential), BS=1, Customer Provided data, 104 Instances/4 socket, Datatype: FP32

Tencent Cloud Xiaowei TTS P_Wavenet on TF1.14 Latency Performance on 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family:

New: Tested by Intel as of 5/11/2020. 4 socket 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family (CPX pre-production SKU) Processor, 26 cores HT On Turbo ON Total Memory 384 GB (24 slots/ 16GB/ 2933 MHz), BIOS: WCCCPX6.RPB.0018.2020.0410.1316 (uicode:0x86000017), CentOS 8.1, 4.18.0-147.5.1.el8_1.x86_64, Deep Learning Framework: TF1.14
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Baseline: Tested by Intel as of 5/11/2020. 4 socket 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon® Processor Scalable Family (CPX pre-production SKU) Processor, 26 cores HT On Turbo ON Total Memory 384 GB (24 slots / 16GB/ 2933 MHz), BIOS: WCCCPX6.RPB.0018.2020.0410.1316 (uicode:0x86000017), CentOS 8.1, 4.18.0-147.5.1.el8_1.x86_64, Deep Learning Framework: TF1.14
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