

Deep Learning on Supercomputers

An introduction

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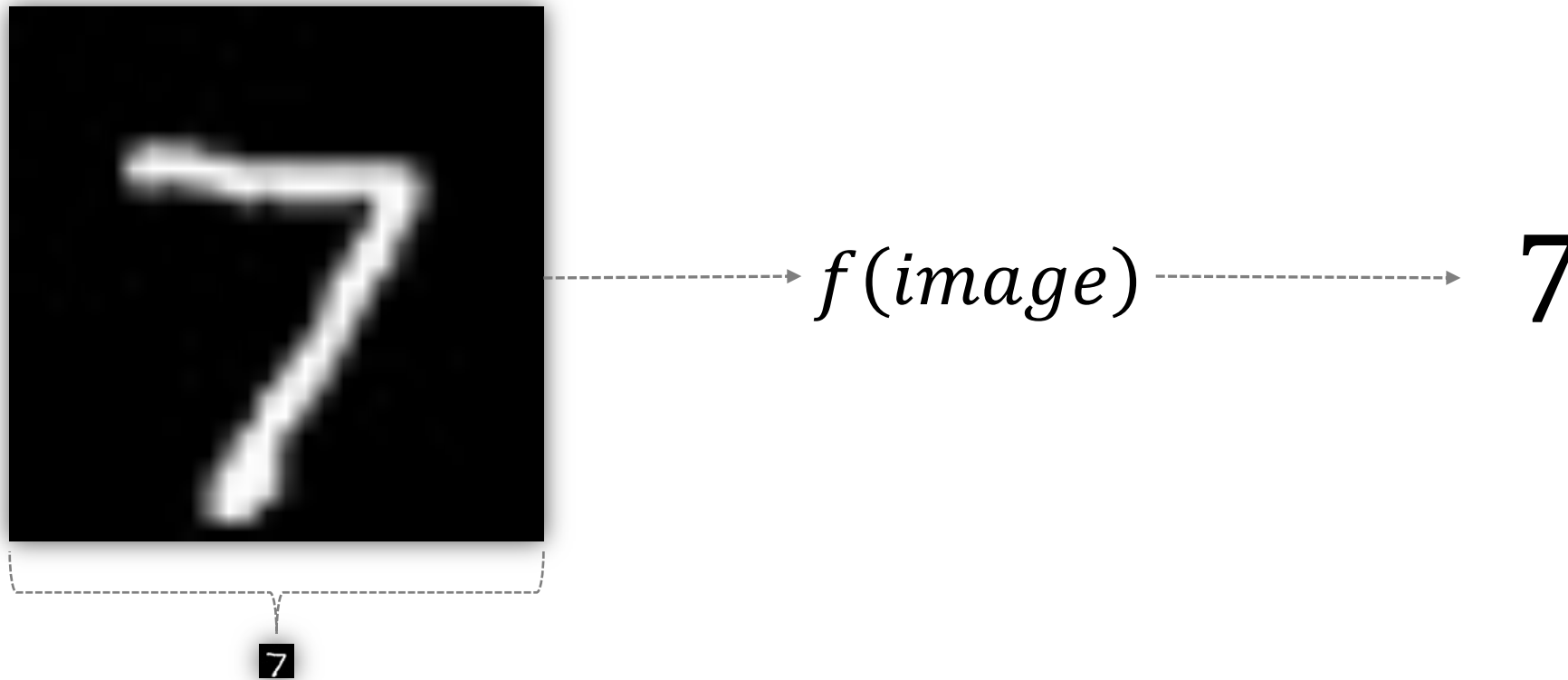
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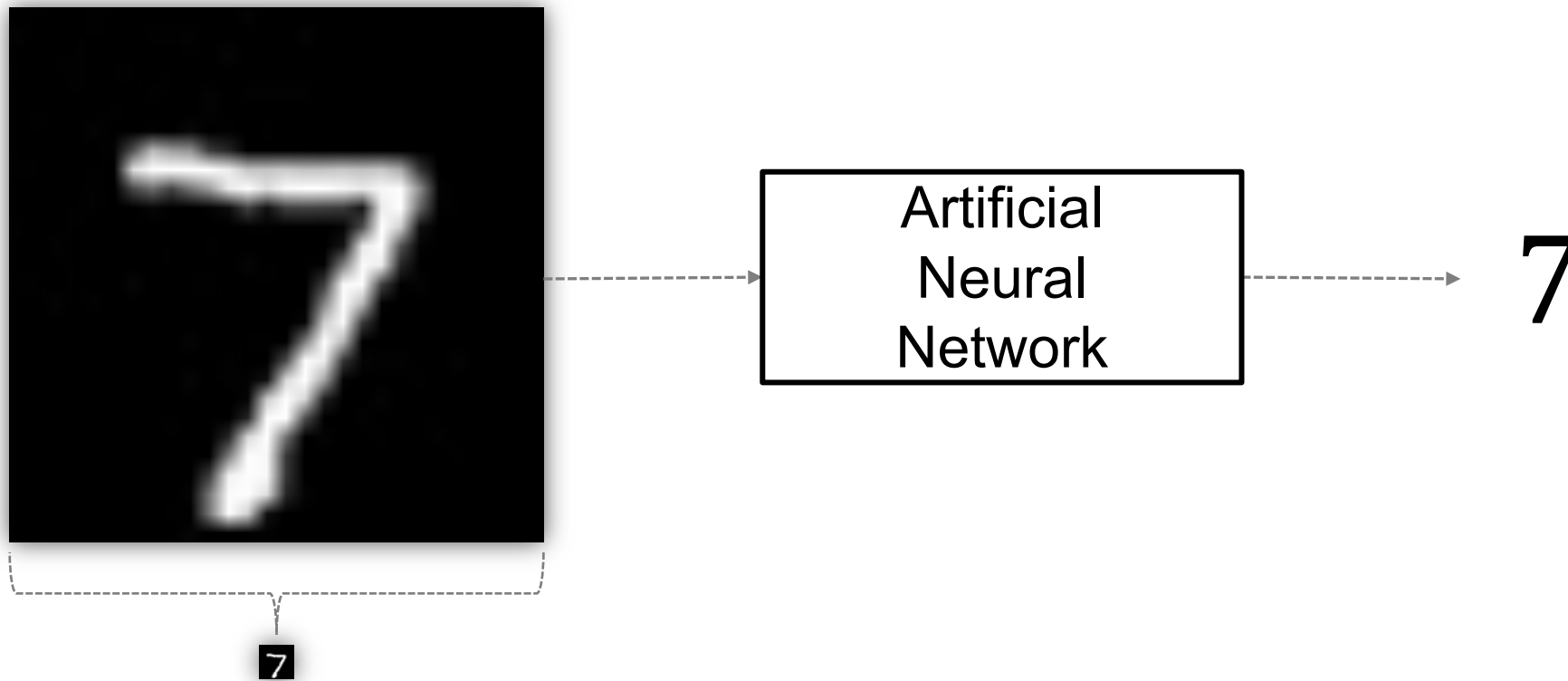
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Handwritten digit recognition



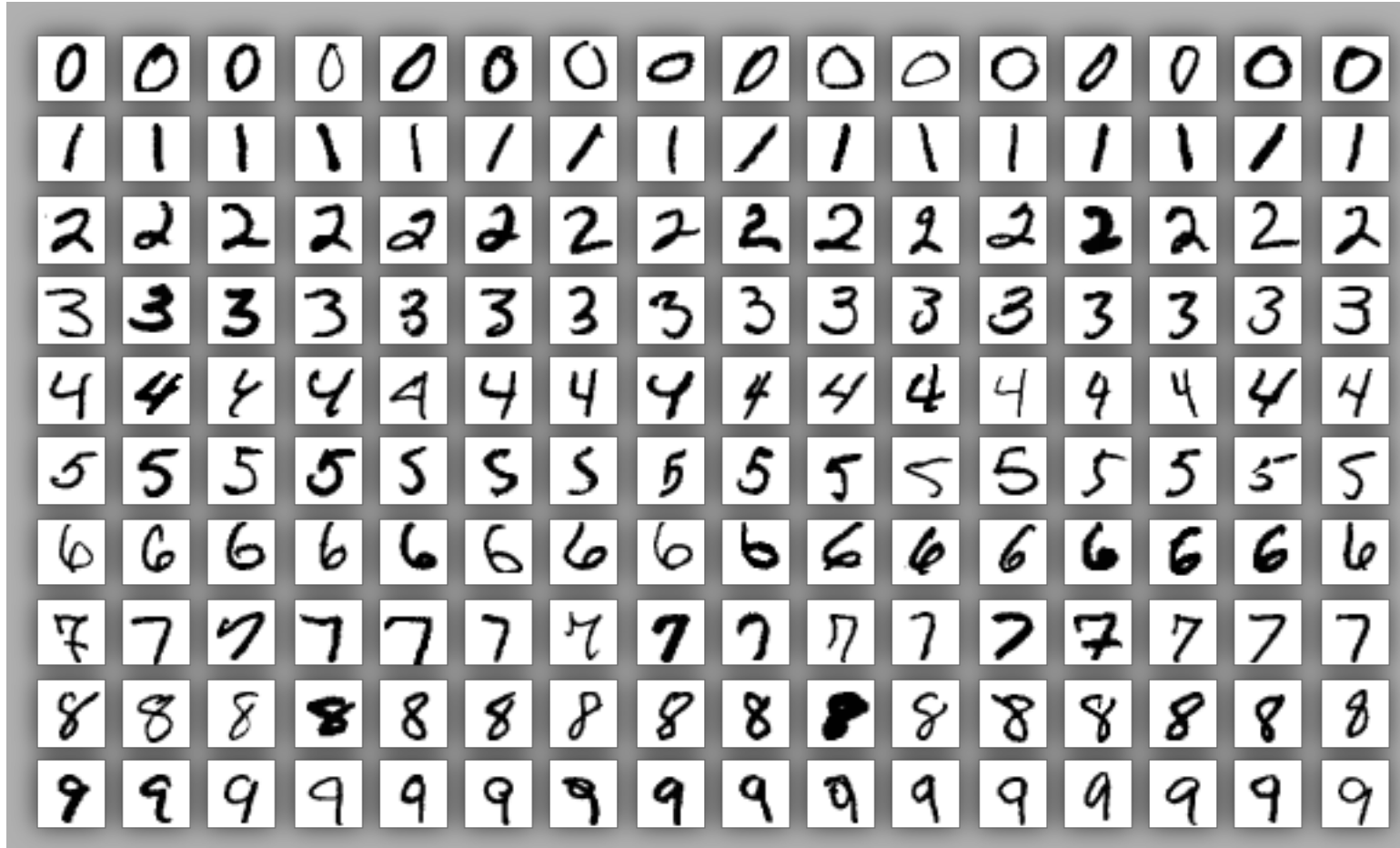
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Example

Modified National Institute of Standards and Technology (MNIST) database

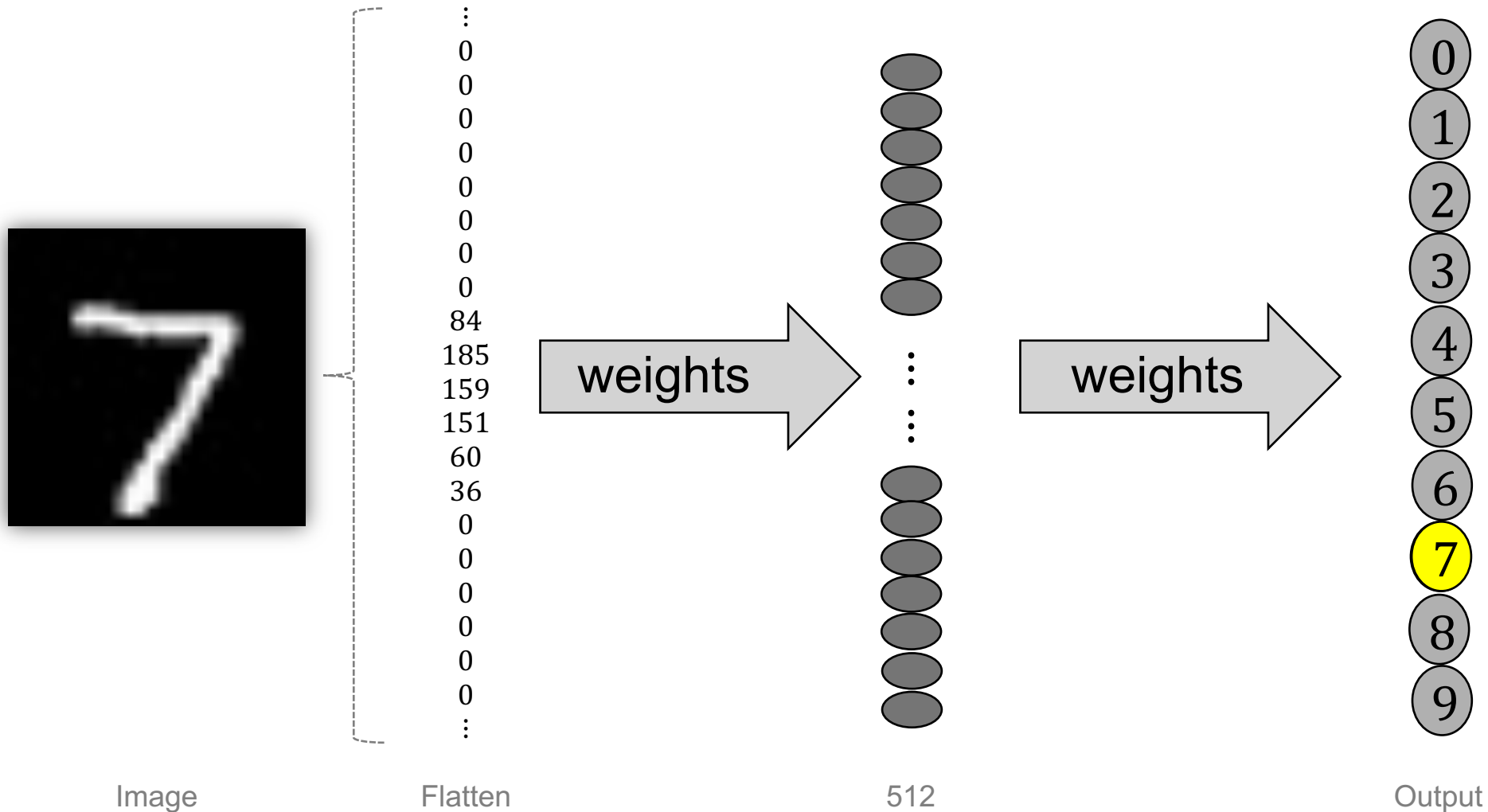


- Image dimensions: 28×28
- Each pixel $p \in [0, 255]$
- 60,000 training examples
- 10,000 test examples

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Example

A basic network for classification



Example

MNIST classification with tf.keras: Code

```
1. import tensorflow as tf
2. mnist = tf.keras.datasets.mnist
3. (x_train, y_train), (x_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()
4. x_train, x_test = x_train / 255.0, x_test / 255.0
5. model = tf.keras.models.Sequential([
    tf.keras.layers.Flatten(),
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6. optimizer = tf.keras.optimizers.Adam()
7. epochs = 4
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8. model.compile(
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)
9. model.fit(
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    epochs=epochs
)
```

`dl_on_supercomputers/course_material/examples/mnist_single_gpu.py`

Example

MNIST classification with tf.keras: Output

```
$ python -u mnist_single_gpu.py
```

```
Epoch 1/4
```

```
1875/1875 [=====] - 8s 131us/sample - loss: 0.2006 - acc: 0.9404
```

```
Epoch 2/4
```

```
1875/1875 [=====] - 7s 120us/sample - loss: 0.0815 - acc: 0.9749
```

```
Epoch 3/4
```

```
1875/1875 [=====] - 7s 120us/sample - loss: 0.0548 - acc: 0.9831
```

```
Epoch 4/4
```

```
1875/1875 [=====] - 7s 119us/sample - loss: 0.0376 - acc: 0.9879
```

```
Test loss: 0.06436453427168308
```

```
Test accuracy: 0.9805
```

1. `score = model.evaluate(x=x_test, y=y_test, verbose=0)`
2. `print(f'Test loss: {score[0]}')`
3. `print(f'Test accuracy: {score[1]}')`

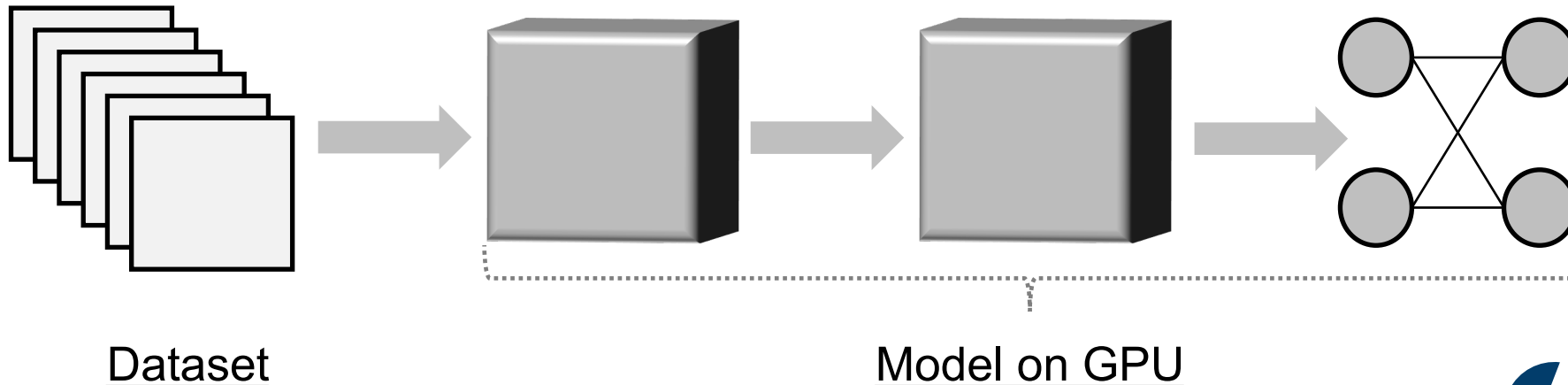
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Distributed training

Motivation

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 - i. Large dataset size
 - ii. Compute intensive model
 2. Use a dataset with very large instances
 3. Use a very large model
 4. Increase the effective batch size
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Distributed training

Effective batch size

Specified batch size: 4

GPU 0

Distributed training

Effective batch size

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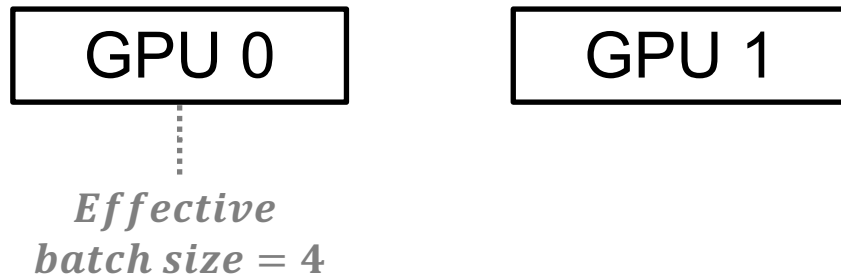
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batch size = 4*

Distributed training

Effective batch size

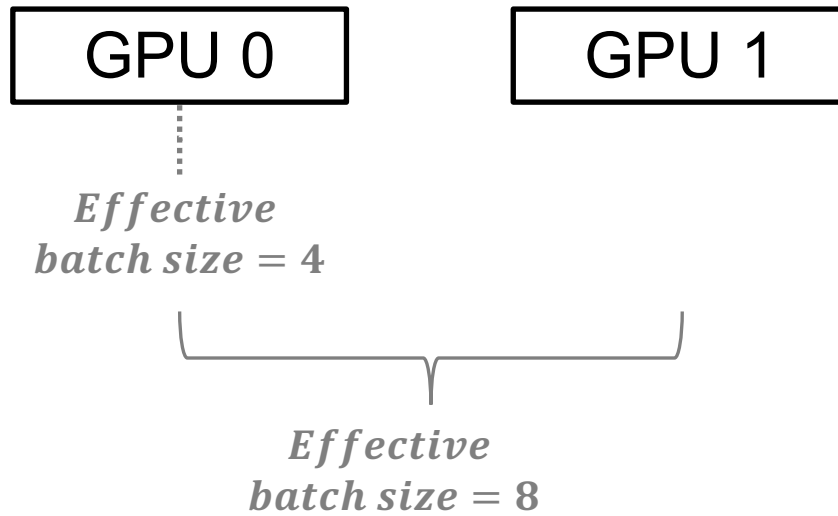
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Distributed training

Effective batch size

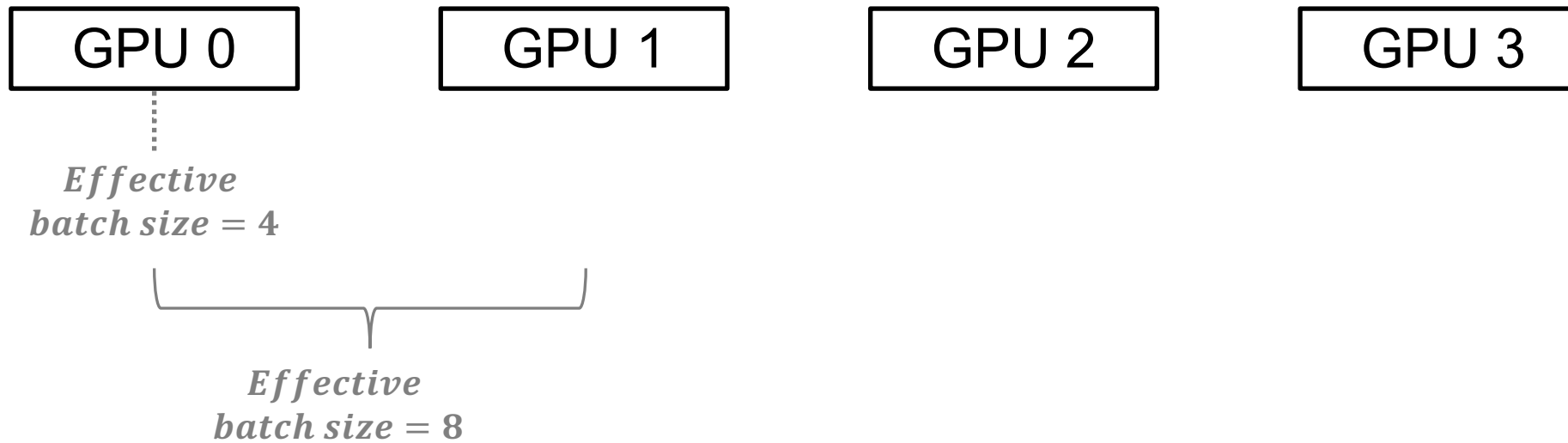
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Distributed training

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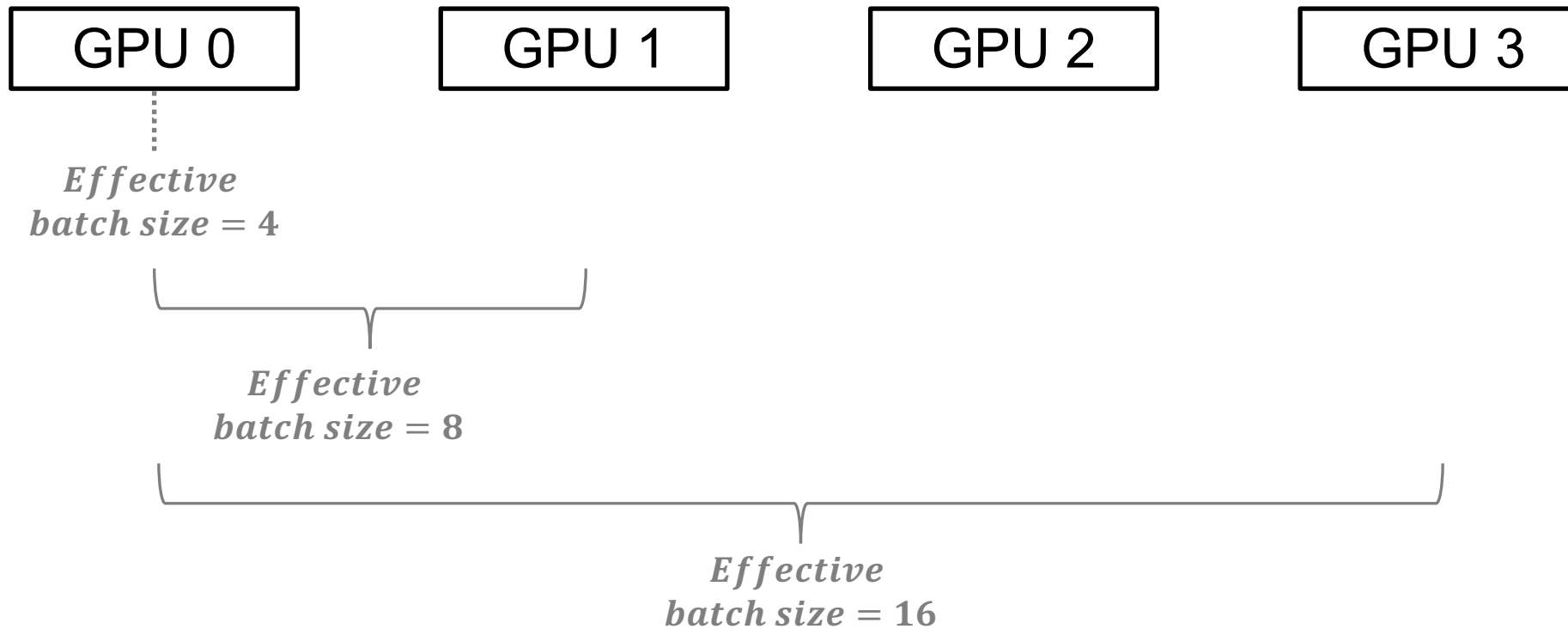
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Distributed training

Effective batch size

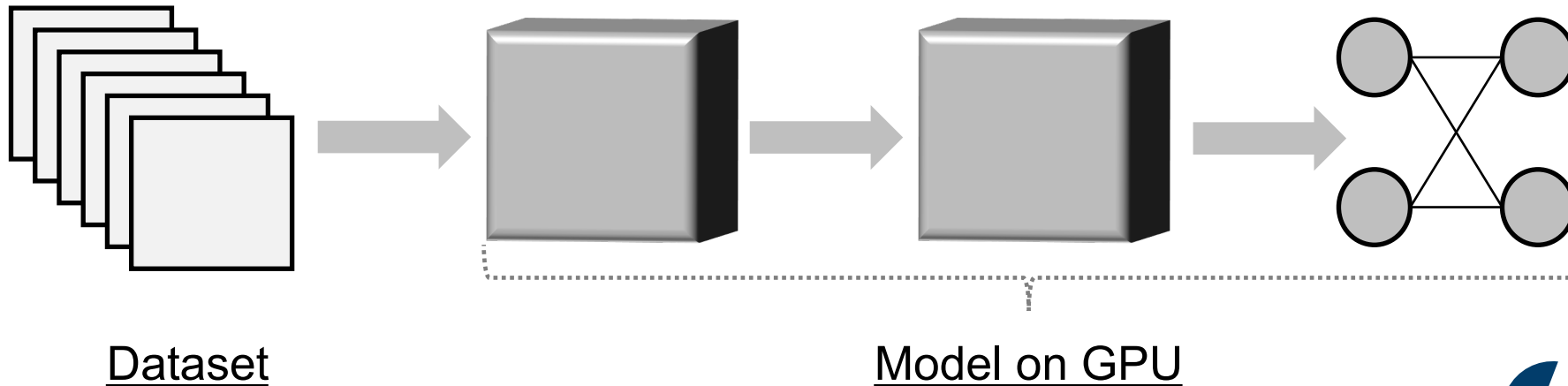
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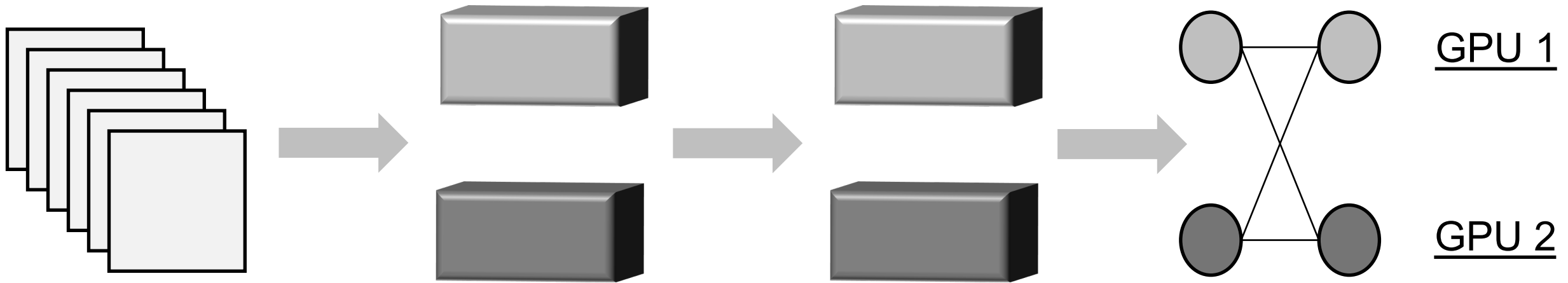
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Model Parallel

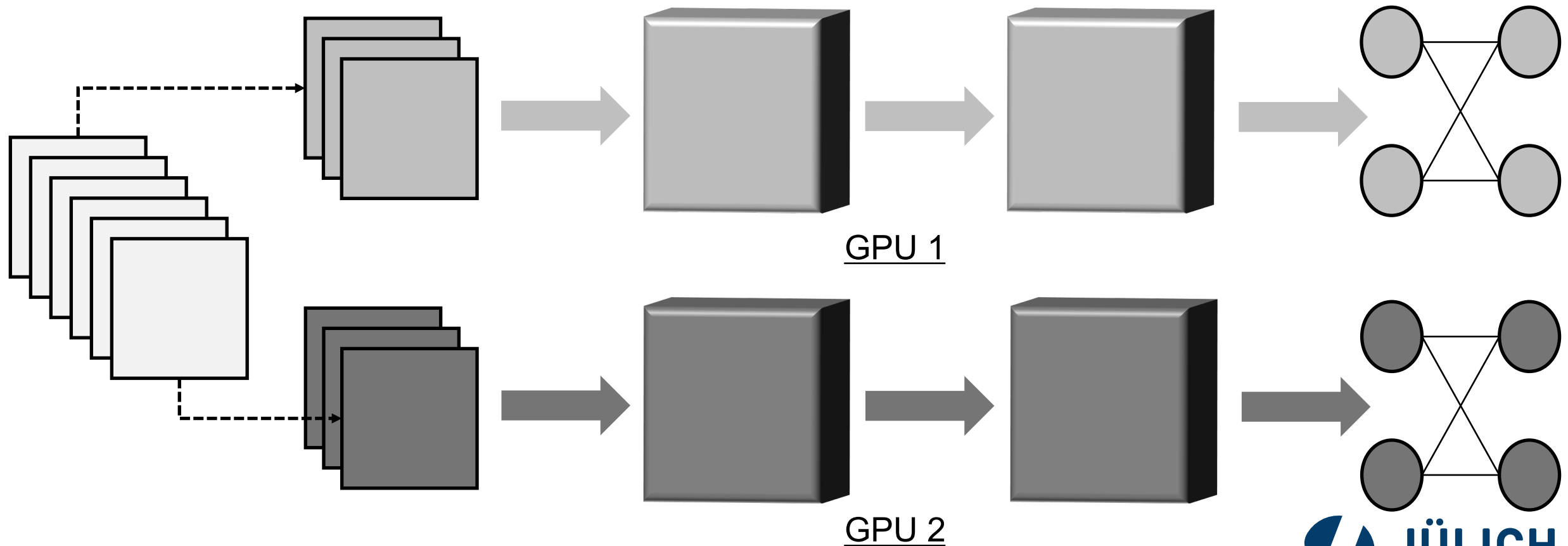
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Distributed training

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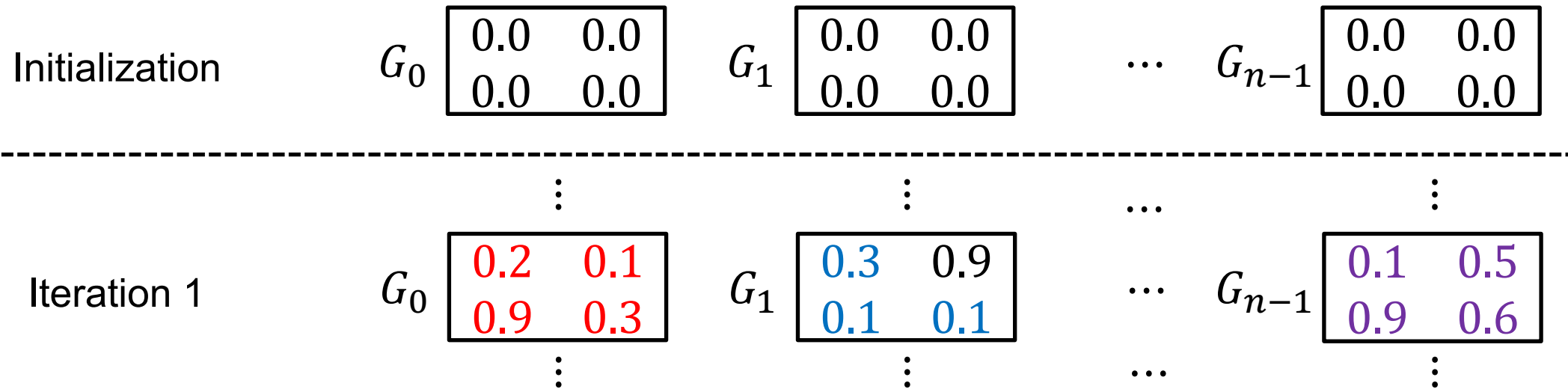
Gradient averaging in data parallel training

Initialization

$$G_0 \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix} \quad G_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots \quad G_{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

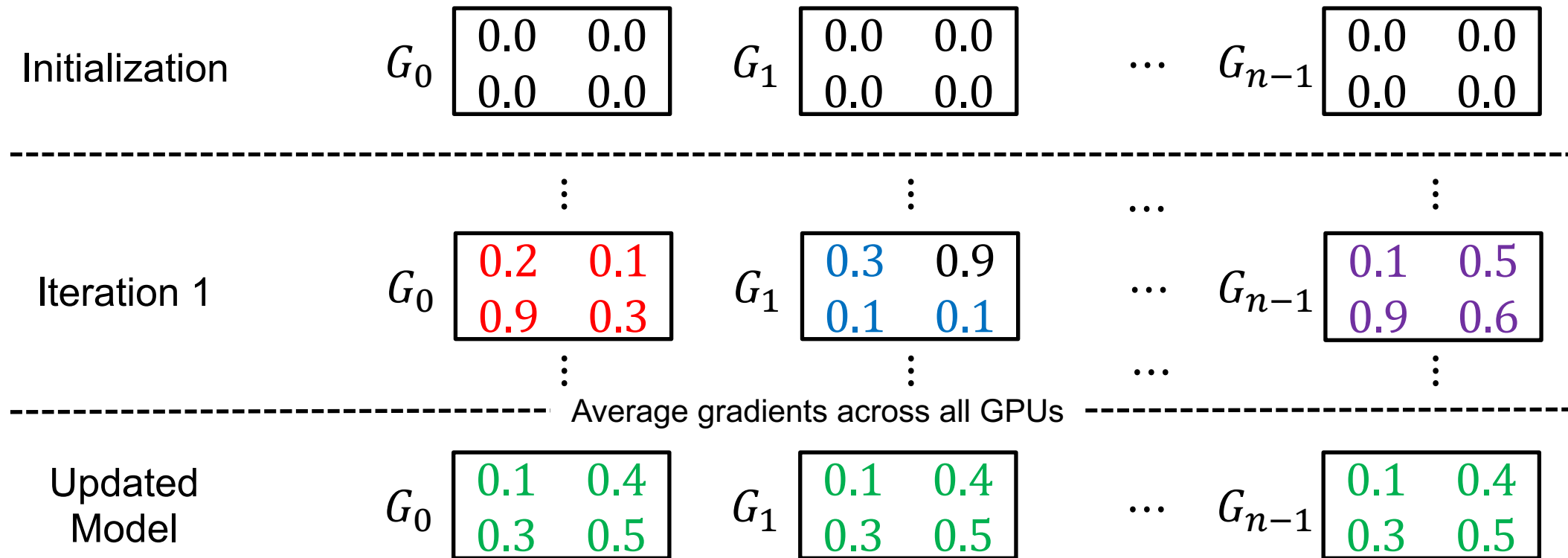
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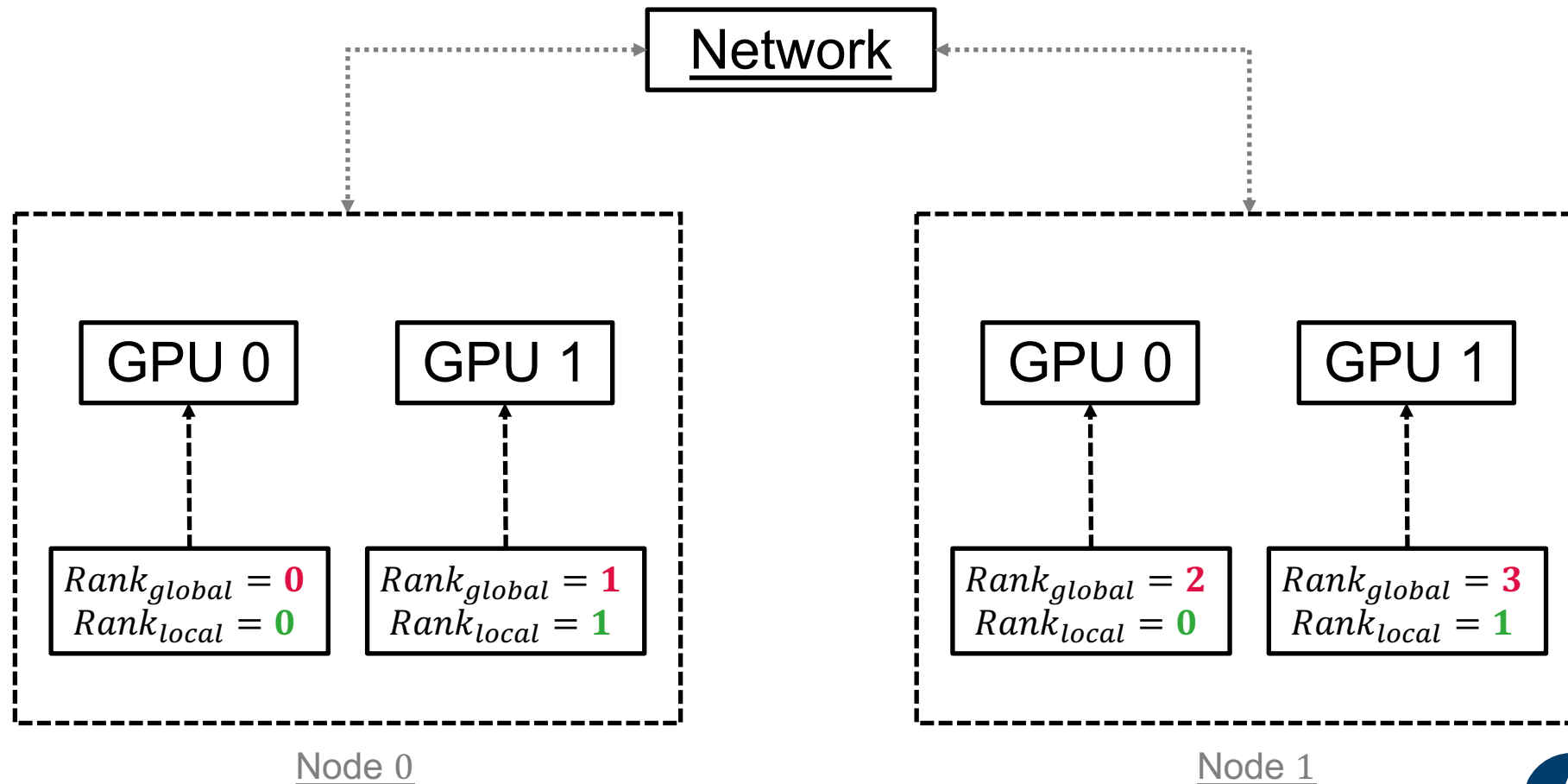
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Distributed training

Global and Local Horovod ranks

```
export CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES=0,1
```



Distributed training: Examples

Distributed training with Horovod: Code (1)

```
1. import tensorflow as tf
```

Single GPU

```
1. import tensorflow as tf  
2. import math  
3. import horovod.tensorflow.keras as hvd  
4. hvd.init()  
5. gpus = tf.config.experimental.list_physical_devices('GPU')  
6. tf.config.experimental.set_visible_devices(gpus[hvd.local_rank()], 'GPU')
```

Distributed

`dl_on_supercomputers/course_material/examples/mnist_epoch_distributed.py`

Distributed training: Examples

Distributed training with Horovod: Code (2)

```
2. mnist = tf.keras.datasets.mnist
3. (x_train, y_train), (x_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()
4. x_train, x_test = x_train / 255.0, x_test / 255.0
5. model = tf.keras.models.Sequential([
    tf.keras.layers.Flatten(),
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])
6. optimizer = tf.keras.optimizers.Adam()
7. epochs = 4
```

Single GPU

```
7. mnist = tf.keras.datasets.mnist
8. (x_train, y_train), (x_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()
9. x_train, x_test = x_train / 255.0, x_test / 255.0
10. model = tf.keras.models.Sequential([
    tf.keras.layers.Flatten(),
    tf.keras.layers.Dense(512, activation=tf.nn.relu),
    tf.keras.layers.Dense(10, activation=tf.nn.softmax)
])
11. optimizer = tf.keras.optimizers.Adam()
12. optimizer = hvd.DistributedOptimizer(optimizer)
13. epochs = int(math.ceil(4.0 / hvd.size()))
```

Distributed

Distributed training: Examples

Distributed training with Horovod: Code (3)

```
8. model.compile(  
    optimizer=optimizer,  
    loss='sparse_categorical_crossentropy',  
    metrics=['accuracy']  
)  
  
9. model.fit(  
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    y=y_train,  
    batch_size=32,  
    epochs=epochs  
)
```

Single GPU

```
14. model.compile(  
    optimizer=optimizer,  
    loss='sparse_categorical_crossentropy',  
    metrics=['accuracy']  
)  
  
15. callbacks = [hvd.callbacks.BroadcastGlobalVariablesCallback(0)]  
16. model.fit(  
    x=x_train,  
    y=y_train,  
    batch_size=32,  
    epochs=epochs,  
    verbose=1 if hvd.rank() == 0 else 0,  
    callbacks=callbacks  
)
```

Distributed

Distributed training: Examples

Distributed training with Horovod: Output

```
$ mpirun -np 4 python -u mnist_epoch_distributed.py
```

```
Epoch 1/1
```

```
1875/1875 [=====] - 8s 125us/sample - loss: 0.2004 - acc: 0.9410
```

```
Test loss: 0.0761936013394734
```

```
Test accuracy: 0.9773
```

Distributed training: Examples

Input data distribution for Horovod: Code snippet

```
1. mnist = tf.keras.datasets.mnist  
2. (x_train, y_train), (x_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()
```

Distributed training: Examples

Input data distribution for Horovod: Code snippet

```
1.  
2.  
3.  
4.  
5. def get_filenames(path):  
6.     absolute_path = os.path.join(os.path.abspath(f'{path}/x'))  
7.     return os.listdir(absolute_path)  
  
8. ...  
9.  
10.  
11.  
12.  
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14.  
15.  
16. ...
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dl_on_supercomputers/horovod_data_distributed/mnist_data_distributed.py

Distributed training: Examples

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Distributed training: Examples

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```
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2. from hpc4neuro.distribution import DataDistributor
3.
4. @DataDistributor(MPI.COMM_WORLD, shutdown_on_error=True)
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7.     return os.listdir(absolute_path)
8. ...
9.
10. data_dir = 'data/mnist/partitioned'
11. train_filenames = get_filenames(f'{data_dir}/train')
12.
13. x_train, y_train = load_dataset(f'{data_dir}/train', train_filenames)
14.
15. x_train = x_train / 255.0
16. ...
```

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The tutorial

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The tutorial

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The tutorial: Job script jureca_job.sh

```
1. # Slurm job configuration
2. #SBATCH --nodes=2
3. #SBATCH --ntasks=8
4. #SBATCH --ntasks-per-node=4
5. #SBATCH --output=output_%j.out
6. #SBATCH --error=error_%j.er
7. #SBATCH --time=00:10:00
8. #SBATCH --job-name=TUTORIAL
9. #SBATCH --gres=gpu:4 --partition=dc-gpu-devel
10. #SBATCH --mail-type=ALL
11. #SBATCH --mail-user=<...>
```

```
12. # Load the required modules
13. module load GCC/9.3.0
14. module load OpenMPI/4.1.0rc1
15. module load TensorFlow/2.3.1-Python-3.8.5
16. module load Horovod/0.20.3-Python-3.8.5
17.
18. # Make all GPUs visible per node
19. export CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES=0,1,2,3
20.
21. # Run the program
22. srun python -u keras_mnist.py
```

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The tutorial: Starting and monitoring the training job

```
[username@jrlogin06 jureca-dc]$ cd dl_on_supercomputers/tensorflow/
[username@jrlogin06 tensorflow]$ sbatch jureca_job.sh
Submitted batch job 9092135
[username@jrlogin06 tensorflow]$ queue -u username
```

JOBID	PARTITION	NAME	USER	ST	TIME	NODES	NODELIST(REASON)
9092135	dc-gpu-de	TUTORIAL	username	R	0:14	1	[jrc0438,jrc0439]

```
[username@jrlogin06 tensorflow]$ tail -f output_9092135.out
...
Epoch 1/10
125/125 [=====] - 1s 5ms/step - loss: 0.3714 - accuracy: 0.8845
Epoch 2/10
125/125 [=====] - 1s 5ms/step - loss: 0.0929 - accuracy: 0.9711
Epoch 3/10
121/125 [=====>.] - ETA: 0s - loss: 0.0752 - accuracy: 0.9780
...
Epoch 10/10
125/125 [=====] - 1s 7ms/step - loss: 0.0283 - accuracy: 0.9909
```

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Summary

Key points

- There is more to distributed training than speedup, e.g., effective batch size can be increased
- The supercomputers can be utilized for data parallel training with relative ease
- Tensorflow and Horovod are already available on JURECA, JUWELS, JUWELS-Booster, and JUSUF
- Combining the material presented here with the “DL on Supercomputers” tutorial is a good place to start
- A good foundation in parallel programming, especially with MPI, can go a long way

Support

- All SC related issues: sc@fz-juelich.de
- Tutorial and hpc4neuro: slns@fz-juelich.de

Useful resources

1. Tutorial
 - https://gitlab.version.fz-juelich.de/hpc4ns/dl_on_supercomputers
2. The hpc4neuro Python library
 - <https://gitlab.version.fz-juelich.de/hpc4ns/hpc4neuro>

[Thank you!](#)