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CIRRASCALE CLOUD SERVICES ANNOUNCES AVAILABILITY OF GRAPHCORE IPU SERVERS AND CLOUD INSTANCES FOR MACHINE INTELLIGENCE WORKFLOWS

Graphcore IPU systems are designed for the complex high-dimensional models needed for machine intelligence workloads such as Natural Language Processing and Financial Risk Analysis.

Denver, CO -- Supercomputing Conference -- November 19, 2019 -- Cirrascale Cloud Services®, a premier cloud services provider of deep learning infrastructure solutions for Autonomous Vehicle, Medical Imaging, and Natural Language Processing (NLP) workflows, today announced it is offering Graphcore Intelligence Processing Unit (IPU) systems with the Graphcore Poplar® software stack as part of its bare-metal cloud service offerings. In addition to offering Graphcore IPU cloud instances, Cirrascale also offers Graphcore IPU systems based on the Dell EMC DSS8440 IPU Server for on-premise customer applications. Graphcore's IPU machine learning platform provides state of the art performance for training and inference on today's workflows such as Natural Language Processing, financial risk analysis and alpha estimation, image recognition and many other machine intelligence applications.

"Cirrascale is extremely pleased to offer its customers Graphcore IPU systems in two flavors: as instances in our cloud; and, as servers with eight Graphcore C2 IPU-processor cards for on-premise installations," said PJ Go, chief executive officer, Cirrascale Cloud Services. "Working with Graphcore to provide this solution in our cloud and on-premise represents an exciting shift in how Cirrascale can further assist our customers in making huge performance improvements to their training and inference workloads."

As part of its deep learning cloud service, customers can use the Graphcore IPU instances in the cloud from Cirrascale Cloud Services monthly, with discounts available for longer-term use. The solution is purpose-built for the unique demands of AI and delivers over 1.6 PetaFLOPS of FP16/32 mixed precision computing performance. With Cirrascale Cloud Services, the customer experience isn't virtualized, so they receive dedicated access allowing them to gain the absolute raw horsepower of the system.

"We are excited to be launching a bare-metal IPU service with Cirrascale. Cirrascale delivers outstanding performance and predictable pricing with no extra charges allowing customers to have full access to all their data. Customers can now access IPU-Servers from anywhere with a simple, low-cost monthly fee." said Nigel Toon, chief executive officer and co-founder Graphcore.

Customers can begin using the Graphcore IPU cloud instances or can learn more about how to purchase their own server for on-premise use by visiting <http://graphcore.cirrascale.com>.

About Cirrascale Cloud Services

Cirrascale Cloud Services is a premier provider of public and private dedicated cloud solutions enabling deep learning workflows. The company offers cloud-based infrastructure solutions for large-scale deep learning operators, service providers, as well as HPC users. To learn more about Cirrascale Cloud Services and its unique cloud offerings, please visit <https://www.cirrascale.com> or call (888) 942-3800.

About Graphcore

Graphcore's Intelligence Processing Unit (IPU) is designed specifically for machine intelligence. Its unique architecture lets developers run today's AI models with state of the art performance while enabling transformative new types of work, not possible using current technologies, to drive the next breakthroughs in machine intelligence. For more information please visit <https://www.graphcore.ai>.

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