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CIRRASCALE CLOUD SERVICES® AND GRAPHCORE® ANNOUNCE AVAILABILITY OF GRAPHCLOUD FOR MACHINE INTELLIGENCE

Graphcloud enables customers to test and deploy their AI application on IPU systems without initial hardware investment and can easily integrate with existing hyperscale cloud providers for an optimal multi-cloud environment.

San Diego, CA -- January 25, 2021 -- Cirrascale Cloud Services®, a premier cloud services provider of deep learning infrastructure solutions for autonomous vehicle, Natural Language Processing (NLP) and computer vision workflows, today announced the availability of its Graphcloud platform. The massively scalable AI cloud platform is a collaboration between Cirrascale and Graphcore® and offers customers access to Graphcore's tightly integrated hardware and software IPU-POD scale-out platform using second generation GC200 Intelligence Processing Units (IPUs) and Poplar® software stack.

"Cirrascale is very proud of its strategic collaboration with Graphcore, which has further driven the era of cloud-based solutions for machine learning to reach new large-scale commercial deployments with some of the most exciting Fortune 500 companies," said PJ Go, chief executive officer, Cirrascale Cloud Services. "The Graphcloud platform enables these companies to experience huge performance improvements to their training and inference workloads, unlike anything seen before."

Graphcloud achieves record-breaking performance when compared to the latest GPUs, including 2x faster time to train for BERT-Large for NLP, state of the art accuracy and performance with EfficientNet for Computer Vision and orders of magnitude improvements for training probabilistic models like MCMC.

IPU-POD₁₆ and IPU-POD₆₄ systems are currently available with Graphcloud and can be accessed in weekly or monthly flat-rate allotments with discounts offered for longer-term use with predictable pricing and no extra charges. Additionally, the Graphcloud platform can easily integrate with a customer's current online cloud-based workflow at various hyperscalers creating a secure, multi-cloud solution.

"We are excited to continue our partnership with Cirrascale with Graphcloud. This service is key in providing our latest state-of-the-art machine learning hardware as a highly scalable IPU service. Customers can access Graphcore IPU-POD configurations from anywhere with a simple, low-cost monthly fee." said Nigel Toon, chief executive officer and co-founder Graphcore.

Customers can begin using the Graphcloud IPU-POD instances or can learn more about how to purchase their own IPU-POD for on-premise use by visiting graphcloud.ai.

About Cirrascale Cloud Services

Cirrascale Cloud Services is a premier provider of cost effective, high-speed cloud infrastructure solutions for deep learning workflows. The company offers cloud-based solutions for large-scale deep learning operators, service providers, as well as HPC users. To learn more about Cirrascale Cloud Services and its bare-metal server and high-speed storage cloud infrastructure solutions, 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 graphcore.ai.

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