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Analyzing LLM performance: The impact of high-bandwidth memory on model inference Quiz

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- 1. What does the term "inference" mean when talking about large language models (LLMs)?
 - A. Training the model to understand new data
 - B. Storing the model's responses for future use
 - C. Measuring how many tokens the model can generate
 - D. The process of generating a response based on user input and the model's previous training
- 2. When evaluating the performance of an LLM during inference, which two metrics are commonly used?
 - A. Throughput and latency
 - B. Accuracy and vocabulary size
 - C. Training time and memory usage
 - D. Token count and model depth

- 3. Which of the following best describes how throughput is measured during inference?
 - A. By how quickly the model learns new information
 - B. By how many tokens the model can process per second
 - C. By the accuracy of the model's response
 - D. By how much memory the model uses during training
- 4. What does the term "autoregressive" mean in the context of LLM token generation?
 - A. Each token is generated independently of others
 - B. Tokens are generated in parallel using multiple GPUs
 - C. Each token depends on the previously generated tokens
 - D. Tokens are generated based on fixed rules, not learned patterns

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- 5. Which of the following best describes a major challenge in generative inference for large language models?
 - A. Limited access to training datasets
 - B. High memory requirements that exceed single-GPU capacity
 - C. Inability to tokenize long input sequences
 - D. Lack of support for autoregressive decoding
- 6. Why is inference in large language models fundamentally constrained?
 - A. Because GPUs are optimized for training, not inference
 - B. Because CPUs cannot handle parallel processing
 - C. Because GPUs have limited memory capacity
 - D. Because model weights are stored in cloud storage

- 7. What kinds of strategies help overcome GPU memory constraints during inference?
 - A. Using more training data and larger models
 - B. Applying techniques to optimize memory usage and distribute computation
 - C. Removing attention mechanisms from the model
 - D. Increasing the number of output tokens
- 8. Why does it take more computing power to process longer inputs in a language model?
 - A. The model stores each word separately
 - B. The model compares every word to every other word, and the number of comparisons (operations) increases with the square of the input length, which is known as quadratic scaling
 - C. The model uses more punctuation in longer inputs
 - D. The model switches to a slower mode for long inputs

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- 9. If something "scales quadratically" with input size, N, what does that mean?
 - A. It grows slowly as the input gets bigger (N)
 - B. It doubles when the input doubles (2*N)
 - C. It increases by the square of the input size (N^2)
 - D. It stays the same no matter the input (constant at 1)
- 10. What does the batch size represent in the context of language model inference?
 - A. The number of GPUs used to run the model
 - B. The number of output tokens generated per second
 - C. The number of concurrent requests or clients the model can handle at once
 - D. The amount of memory required to store the model weights

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