Executive Summary

AI is a game changer for many businesses. With multitudes of mature, pre-trained AI models, including Generative AI models, businesses can deploy AI to analyze data quickly to identify issues and opportunities, to automate interactions with customers, partners, and suppliers, and to accelerate content creation and product development.

Supermicro offers a complete line of time-to-market systems supporting a wide range of NVIDIA GPUs. These run the NVIDIA AI Enterprise software suite, which enables rapid AI development and deployment. Red Hat® OpenShift® provides a reliable environment to support MLops workflows. Supermicro accelerates AI implementations by delivering systems with OpenShift running on the latest generations of AMD CPUs and NVIDIA AI Enterprise running on NVIDIA GPUs. As a result, customers can quickly take advantage of the game changing AI capabilities.
**AI Training**

AI training for small AI models, such as image and object recognition, can be accomplished using one or several GPU systems. Large language models (LLM) require one or multiple racks of these systems. The number of servers and the amount of time can be reduced using pre-trained models provided by NVIDIA AI Enterprise. Supermicro offers very fast NVMe based storage systems to enable fast GPU-Direct access to data to train the AI models.

**AI Inference**

After the AI models are trained, AI inference can be done in the data center or on the edge. Trained AI models can be automatically deployed by the inference servers using TensorRT and NVIDIA Inference Server, available from NVIDIA AI Enterprise.

**AI Data Flow and Workflow**

Comprehensive data flow and workflow can be incorporated as part of the business. Supermicro offers systems to collect data at the edge. Data are streamed to the hybrid data center and consolidated into data lakes. Data are then cleansed and formatted for AI training. After training, the trained AI models can be automatically exported to inference servers. Supermicro offers systems and storage to support different aspects of AI data flow and workflow.
Red Hat® OpenShift® is an enterprise-ready Kubernetes container platform built for an open hybrid cloud strategy. It provides a consistent application platform to manage hybrid cloud, multi-cloud, and edge deployments. Using GPU Operators and other Operators, Red Hat OpenShift enables easy setup and robust operations running NVIDIA AI Enterprise workloads.

NVIDIA AI Enterprise Software Suite

The NVIDIA AI Enterprise software suite includes AI tools and frameworks, cloud native deployment, and infrastructure optimization software to enable rapid AI development and deployment. The software suite is offered with the Essentials version to support 100 AI frameworks and many AI deployments, along with premium versions: Riva to support speech AI and custom to support specialized AI deployment.

By providing minimal risk and a simple approach to integrating AI into the existing enterprise container environment, NVIDIA AI Enterprise enables an end-to-end software stack approach to start using AI in the enterprise. Enterprise developers can initially run small trials until they feel comfortable expanding to more extensive deployment. At that point, the solution is very scalable to deployment in multiple racks.

Enterprise Support Services

Using the NVIDIA AI Enterprise software suite, enterprise customers get enterprise-grade support for the entire system, from AI software to the virtualization and system hardware, including NVIDIA data center GPUs and network accelerators optimized in Supermicro systems. As a solutions provider, Supermicro offers and supports the entire Supermicro systems with Red Hat OpenShift and NVIDIA AI Enterprise software.

Supermicro servers with NVIDIA GPUs are NVIDIA certified. H100, A100, L40, L4, and other GPUs are supported. Choices of AMD EPYC™ processors, system memory up to 8TB, PCIe Gen4 or Gen 5 connectivity, NVMe drives, 400Gbit/s network connectivity, redundant power IPMI/Redfish management, TPM 2.0, hardware Root of Trust security. NVIDIA certifications for the 4th Gen EPYC systems with H100 are in progress.
Management & Security

Supermicro systems provide out-of-band and in-band monitoring. Using out-of-band IPMI and Redfish management, the health and operation of each server in the cluster can be managed. The servers also come with optional TPM 2.0 and Root of Trust security features.

Supermicro Reference Architecture for NVIDIA AI Enterprise running Red Hat OpenShift

Supermicro Reference Architecture for NVIDIA AI Enterprise and Red Hat OpenShift provides a scalable architecture. As a result, enterprise AI developers can quickly develop AI solutions to increase efficiency and enable new services using pre-trained AI models. Supermicro accelerates the deployment of AI containers in the Red Hat OpenShift’s orchestrated container environment with the help of Generative AI to automate tested installation scripts. Enterprise support is available on the Supermicro systems that are NVIDIA-Certified, and Red Hat certified, including the entire software stack.
Example Applications

Here are example applications using containerized machine learning infrastructure. Specific customer solutions need to be adjusted to match customer needs.

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<th>Number of Simultaneous Users</th>
<th>CPU Cores</th>
<th>System Memory</th>
<th>Storage</th>
<th>NVIDIA GPU</th>
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<td>AI Development – Smaller Jobs</td>
<td>Up to 12</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>256GB</td>
<td>100TB</td>
<td>2 x A30 per server</td>
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<td>AI Development – Medium Jobs</td>
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Conclusion

Supermicro NVIDIA-Certified Systems support NVIDIA AI Enterprise running on Red Hat OpenShift to enable AI developments and delivery to run small to large AI workloads. The reference architectures with specific small, medium, and large configurations provide a robust framework for customers to start using NVIDIA AI Enterprise, running in a robust orchestrated container environment provided by Red Hat OpenShift.

Supermicro offers these as integrated solutions, including systems, software, and support. Please call your Supermicro representative for more information.

References

1. NVIDIA AI Enterprise
2. Red Hat OpenShift
3. Supermicro NVIDIA-Certified Systems
4. Supermicro GPU Servers using AMD EPYC processors