

# Transform Array Operations to Optimize Memory Access for GPGPU

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## Overview

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- 2. Access Patterns 5. Future Work
- 3. Reduction

- 4. Benchmarks
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## I. Motivation

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  - Novice
  - Experts
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  - Reductions
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#### NumPy Stencil

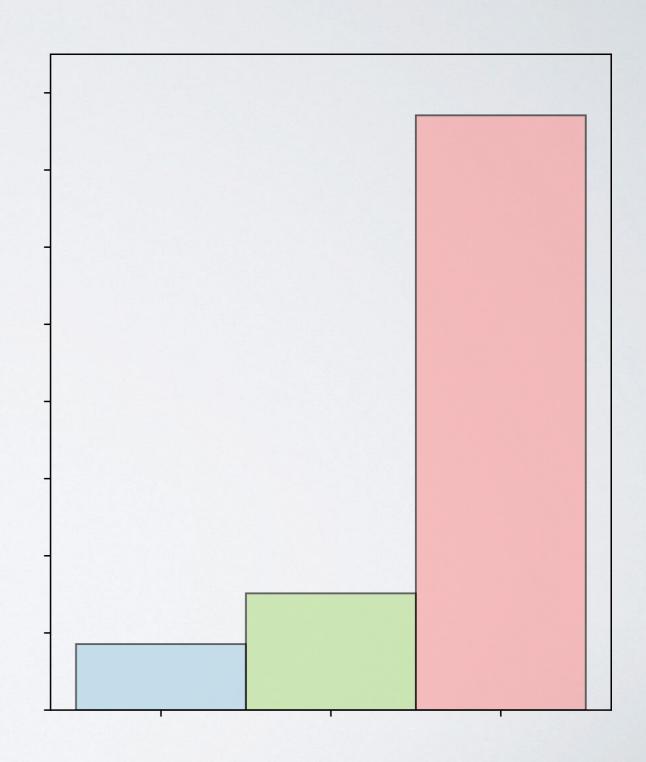
```
center = grid[1:-1, 1:-1]
north = grid[0:-2, 1:-1]
east = grid[1:-1, 2:]
west = grid[1:-1, 0:-2]
south = grid[2:, 1:-1]
work = 0.2 * (center + north +
    east + west + south)
delta = np.sum(np.abs(work-center))
center[:] = work
```

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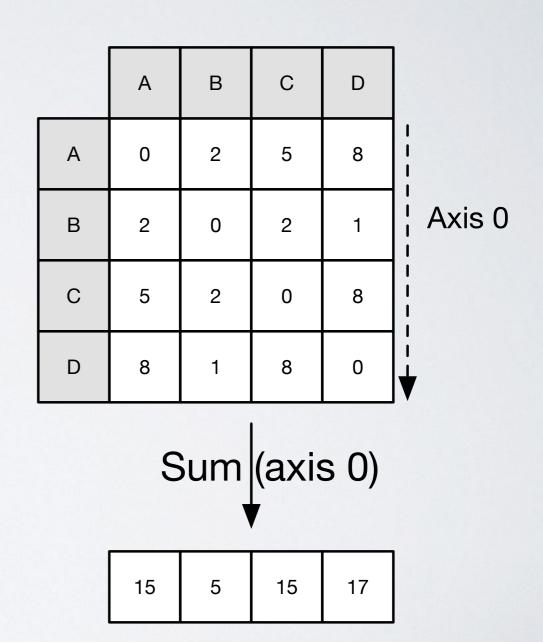
#### OpenCL Kernel Stencil

```
uint gid = get_global_id(0);
if (gid >= width)
   return;
uint w = width + 2;
uint h = height + 2;
DTYPE d = 0.0;
for (uint i = 0; i < height; ++i)
    uint offset = i*w;
    DTYPE up = in[gid+1+offset];
DTYPE left = in[gid+w+offset];
DTYPE right = in[gid+w+2+offset];
    DTYPE down = in[gid+1+w*2+offset];
    DTYPE center = in[gid+w+1+offset];
    DTYPE out center =
(center + up + left + right + down) * 0.2;
    out[gid+w+1+offset] = out_center;
    d += fabs(out_center - center);
delta[gid] = d;
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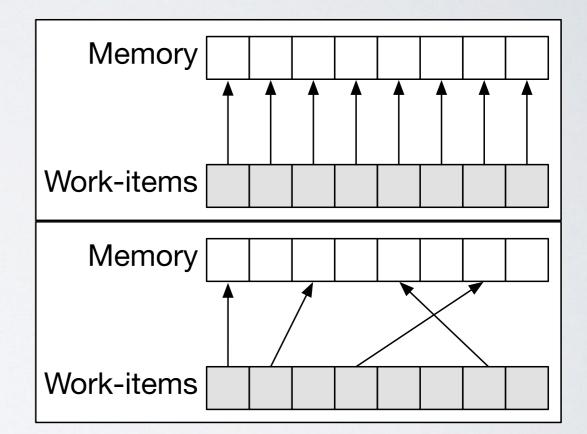
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#### Nvidia Guidelines

"Bandwidth is one of the most important gating factors for performance. Almost all changes to code should be made in the context of how they affect bandwidth"

## 2. Access Patterns

- Tensors
- Inspection
- Changing Access Pattern

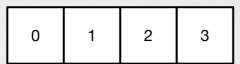


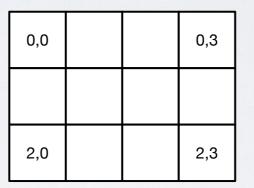
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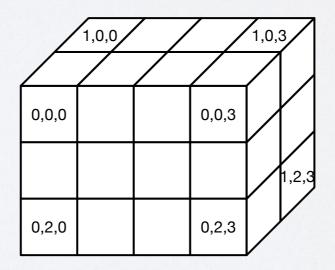
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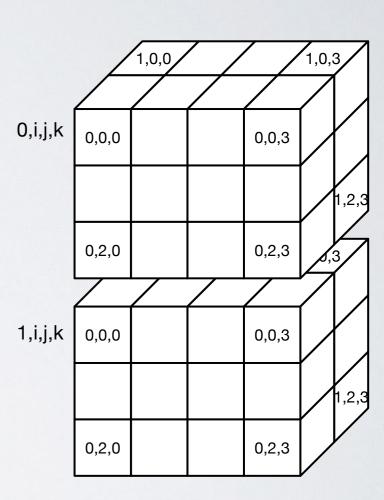
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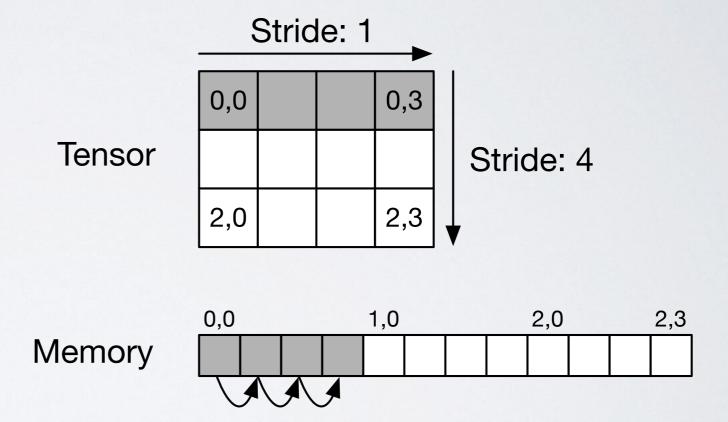


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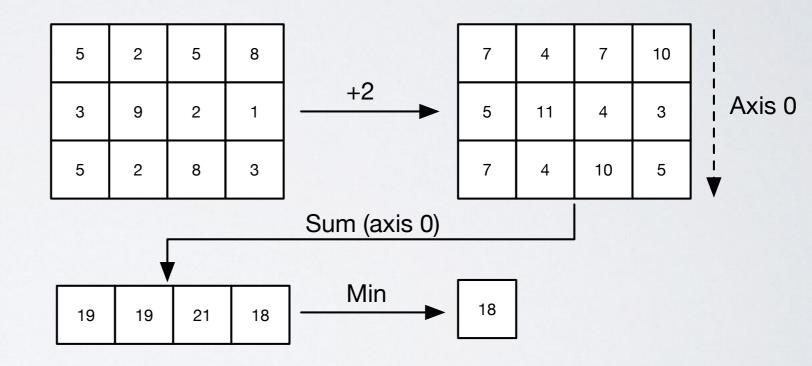
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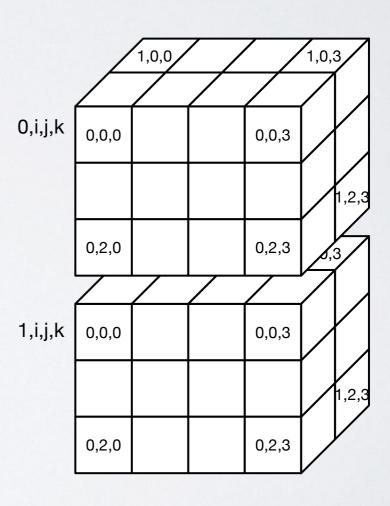
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- Tensor Example
- Generated Code
- Current Pattern
- Coalesced Pattern

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```
for (ulong i0 = 0; i0 < 50; ++i0) {
  for (ulong i1 = 0; i1 < 50; ++i1) {
    for (ulong i2 = 0; i2 < 50; ++i2) {
      for (ulong i3 = 0; i3 < 50; ++i3) {
        a0[+i0*125000 +i1*2500 +i2*50 +i3] = 1;
      }
    }
}</pre>
```

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```
const uint g0 = get_global_id(0);
  if (g0 >= 50) { return; } // Prevent overflow

{const ulong i0 = g0;
  for (ulong i1 = 0; i1 < 50; ++i1) {
    for (ulong i2 = 0; i2 < 50; ++i2) {
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      }
    }
  }
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const uint g3 = get_global_id(0);
if (g3 >= 50) { return; } //Prevent overflow

for (ulong i0 = 0; i0 < 50; ++i0) {
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    for (ulong i2 = 0; i2 < 50; ++i2) {
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  }
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```

## Changing Access Pattern

- Decide on Parallel Axis
- Implementation
- Results

#### Truncated Block Structure of Kernel

```
rank: 0, size: 75, sweeps: {}
  rank: 1, size: 75, sweeps: {}
  rank: 2, size: 75, sweeps: {
    BH_ADD_REDUCE a0 a1 3}
  rank: 3, size: 75, sweeps: {
    BH_ADD_REDUCE a2 a3 4}
```

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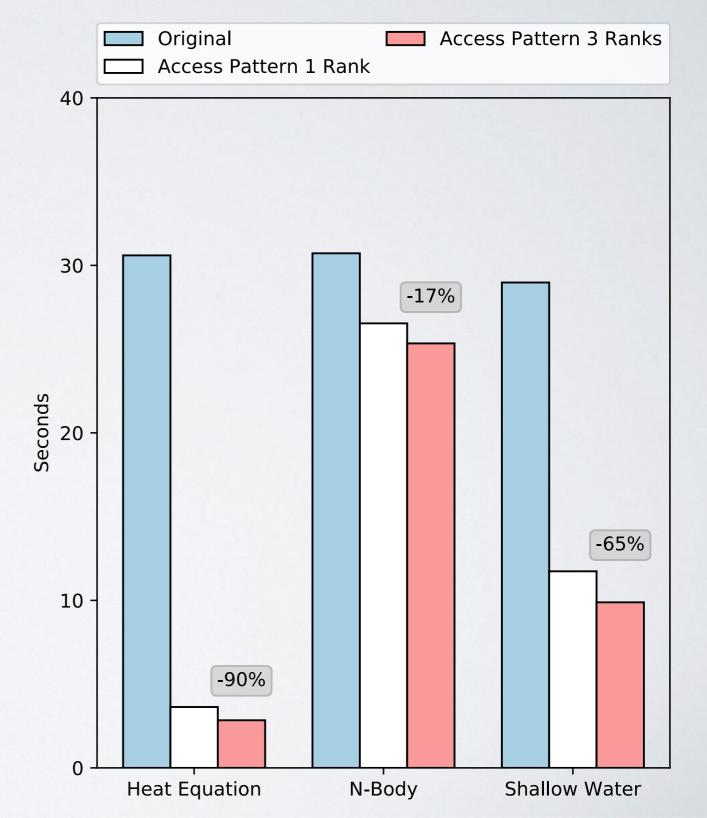
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#### Remapped Iterators

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uint g2 = get_global_id(0);
uint g1 = get_global_id(1);
uint g0 = get_global_id(2);
// ...
i0 = g0
i1 = g1
i2 = g2
```

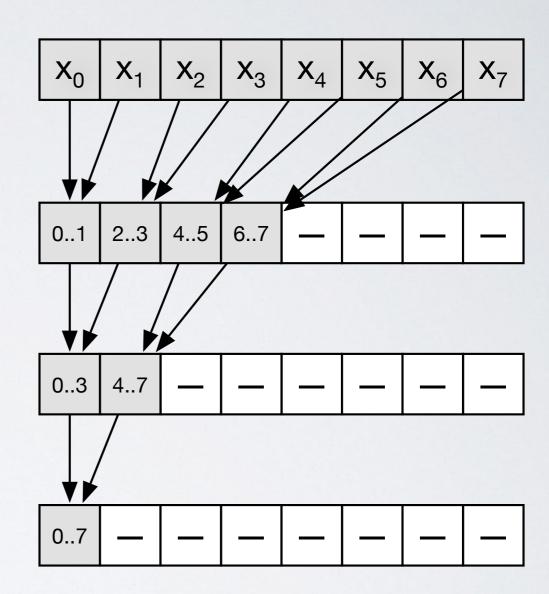
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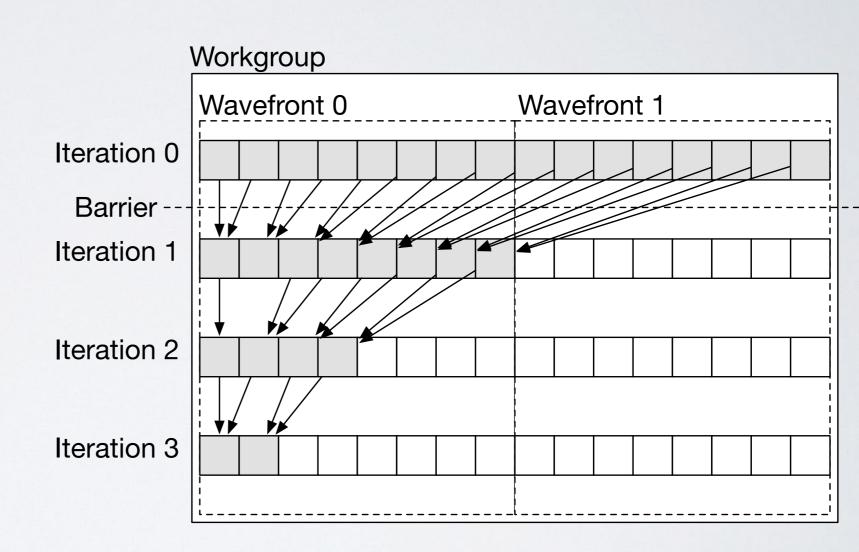
### 3. Reduction

- Hardware Constraints
- Access Pattern in Reductions



## Hardware Constraints

- Wavefronts
- Work-groups
- Bohrium

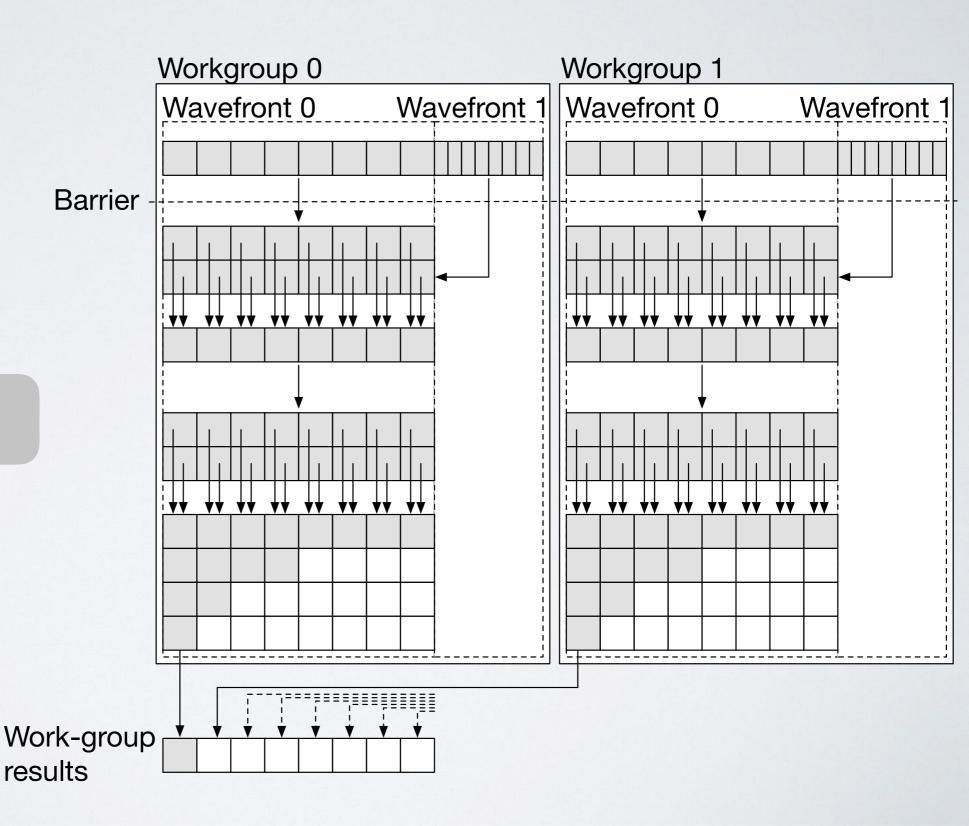


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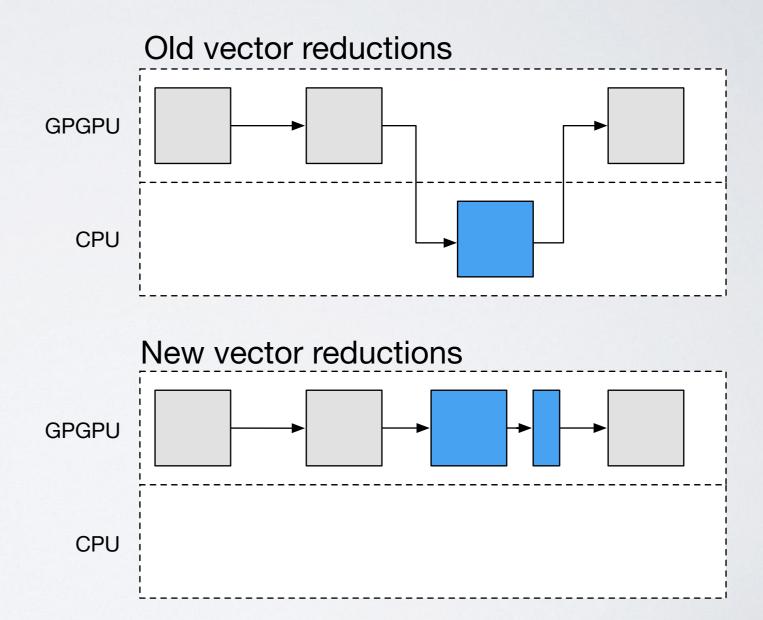
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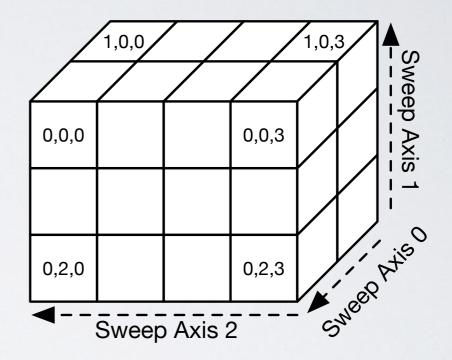


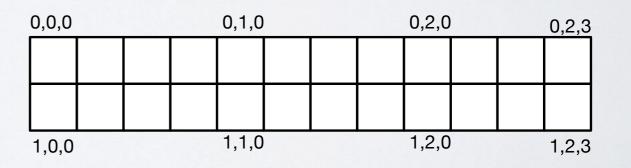
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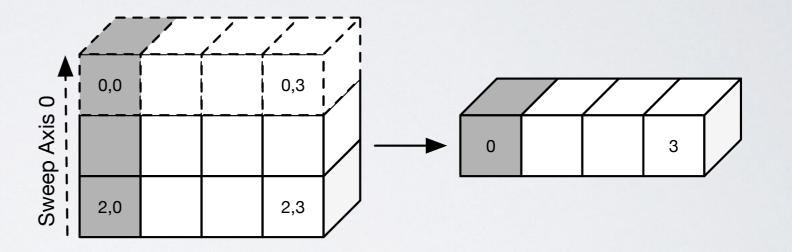


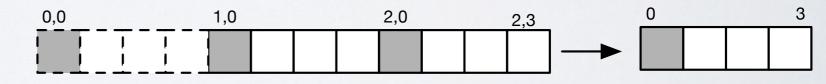
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- Column-wise
- Row-wise
- Transposing



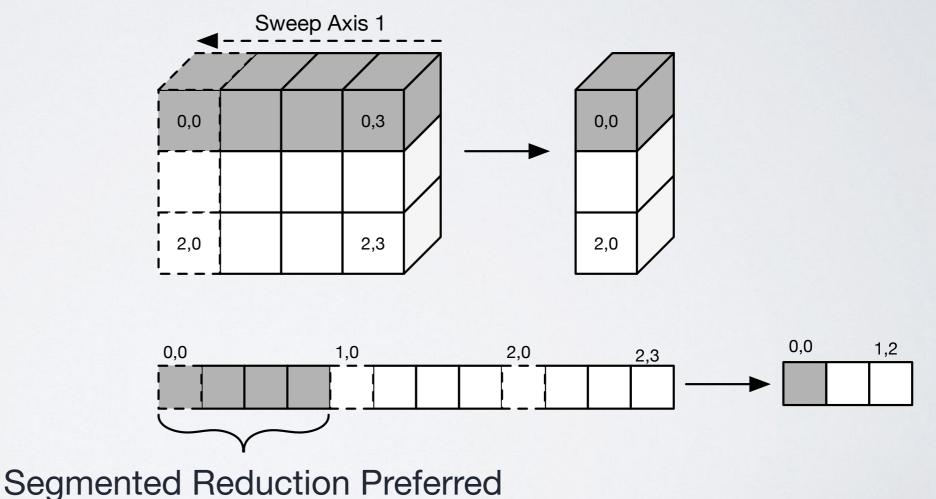


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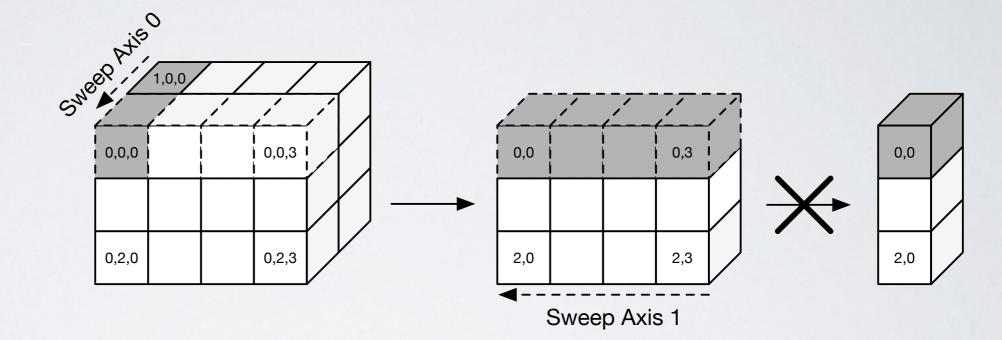


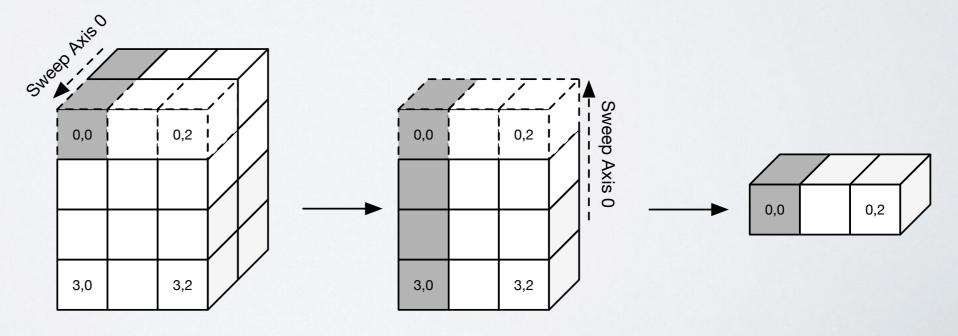


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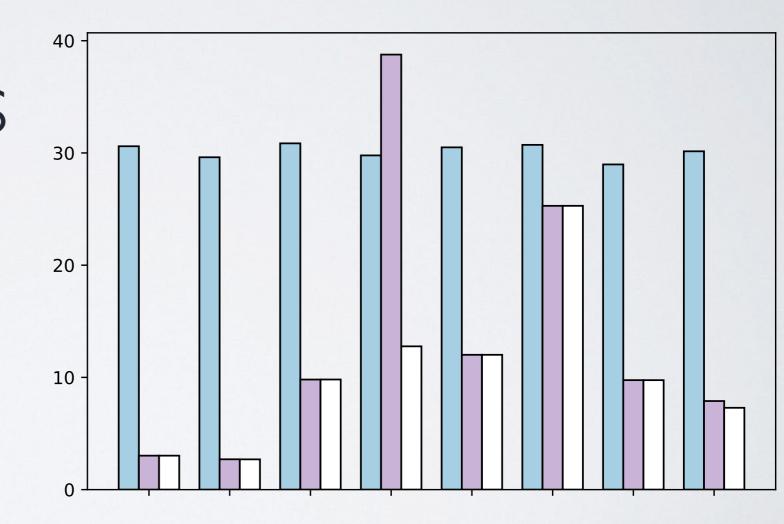
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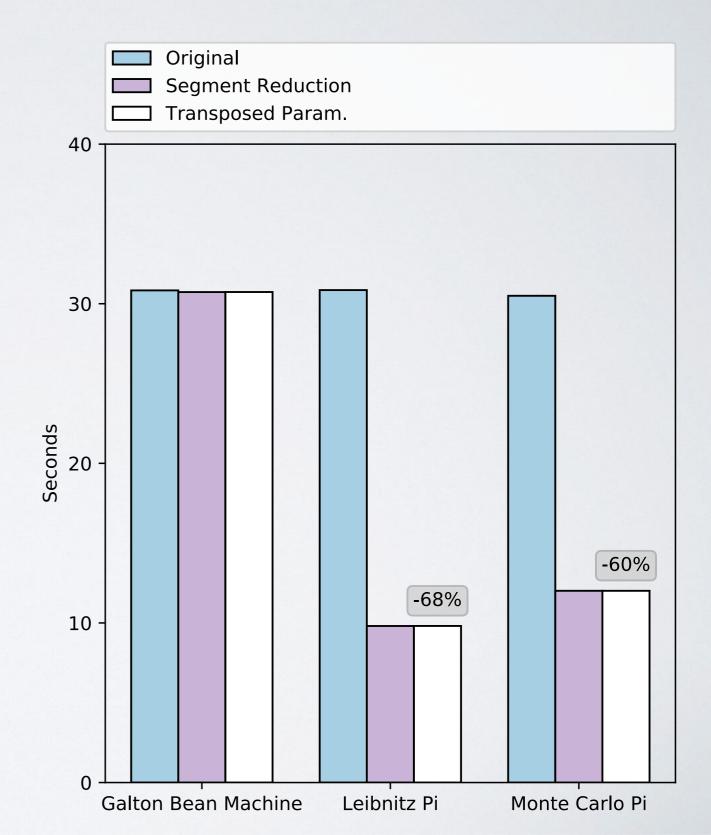
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- Benchmark Suite
- Handwritten vs. Bohrium

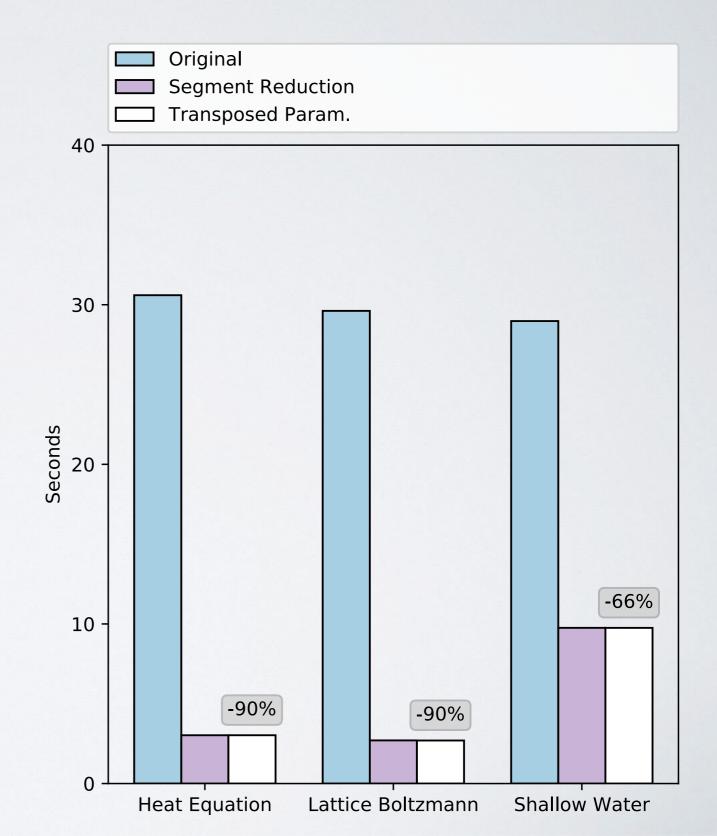


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- Finite Difference
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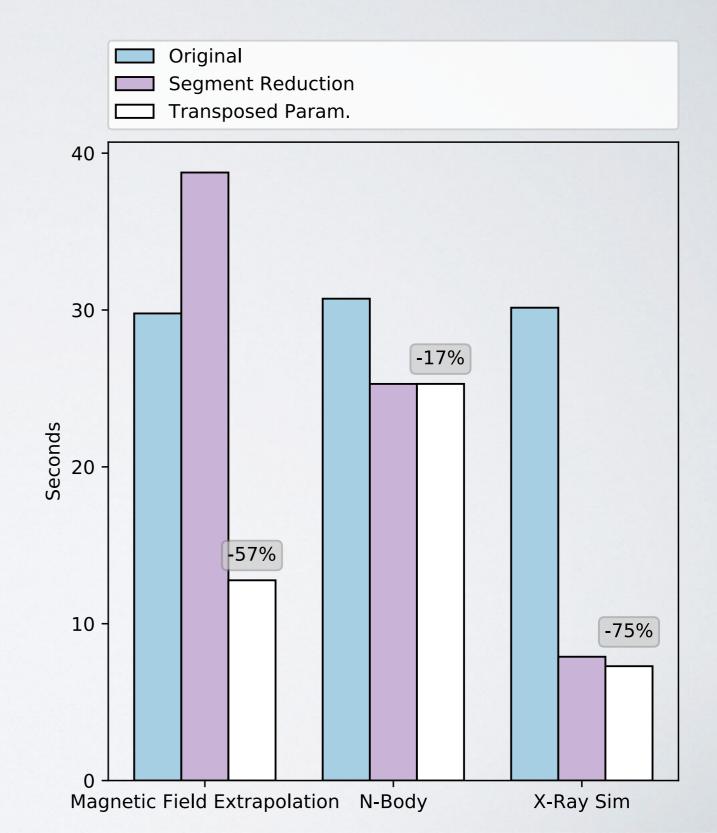
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  - II. Leibnitz Pi
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- Embarrassingly Parallel
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  - I. Heat Equation
  - II. Lattice Boltzmann
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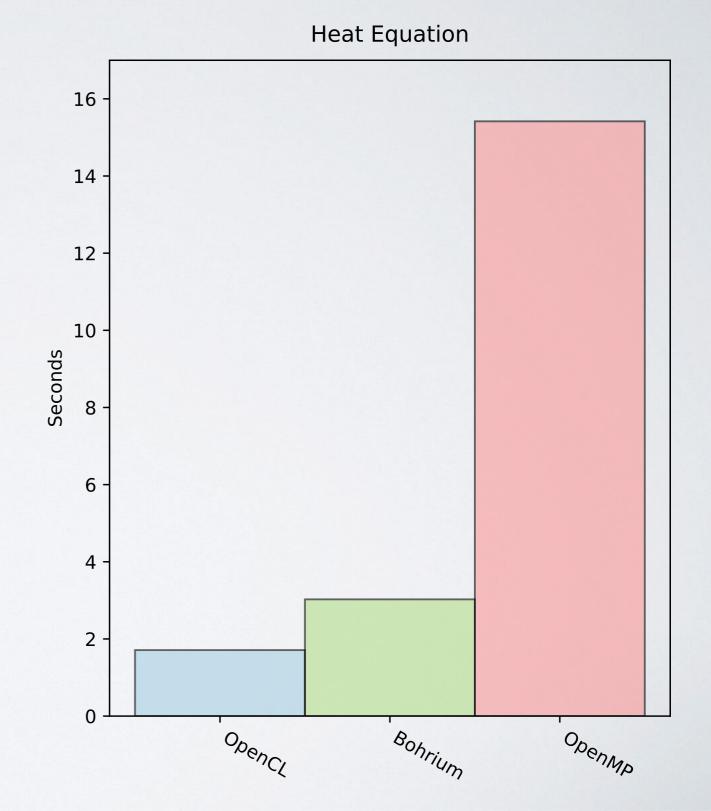


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  - I. Magnetic Field Extrapolation
  - II. N-body
  - III. X-ray Sim



## Handwritten vs. Bohrium

- Handwritten version
- NumPy version
- Complexity of simulations



## 5. Future Work

- Problem with MFE
- Throughput
- Next Focus Points



## Problem with MFE

#### Access Pattern

Handling the Access Pattern

#### MFE Kernel Stripped of Constant Strides Param. 128 × 1 × 1

```
s8_8 = a8[ +i3*75 +i4];
t6 = a7[ +i2*5625 +i3*75 +i4]
* s8_8;
```

MFE Kernel Stripped of Constant Strides Param. I × 2 × 64

$$s8_8 = a8[ +i0*5625 +i3*75 +i4];$$
  
 $t6 = a7[ +i3*75 +i4] * s8_8;$ 

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#### MFE NumPy Code

```
np.sum(
   np.sum(
    temp_x * exprx[:, None, None],
    -1),
   -1)
```

```
temp_x exprx[:,None,None]
(75,75,75,75) * (75,1,1,75,75)

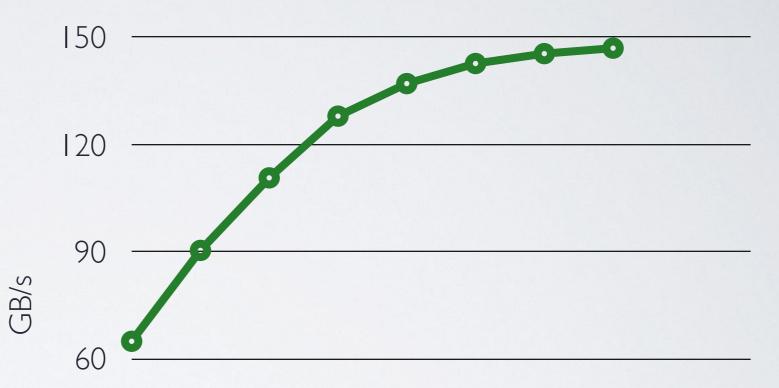
2x
reduce (75,75,75,75,75)

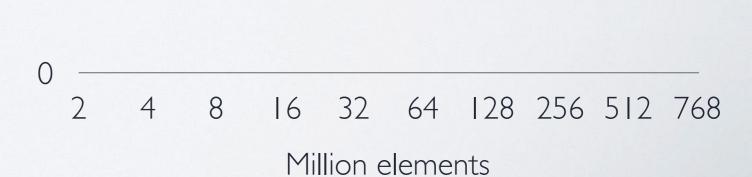
(75,75,75)
```

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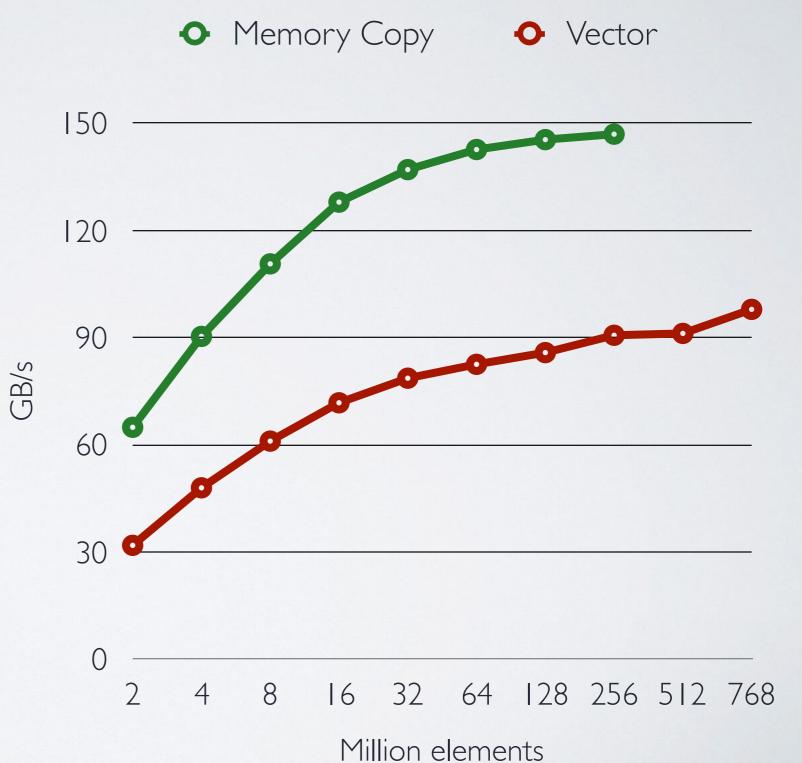
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- Vector Reduction
- Segmented Reduction

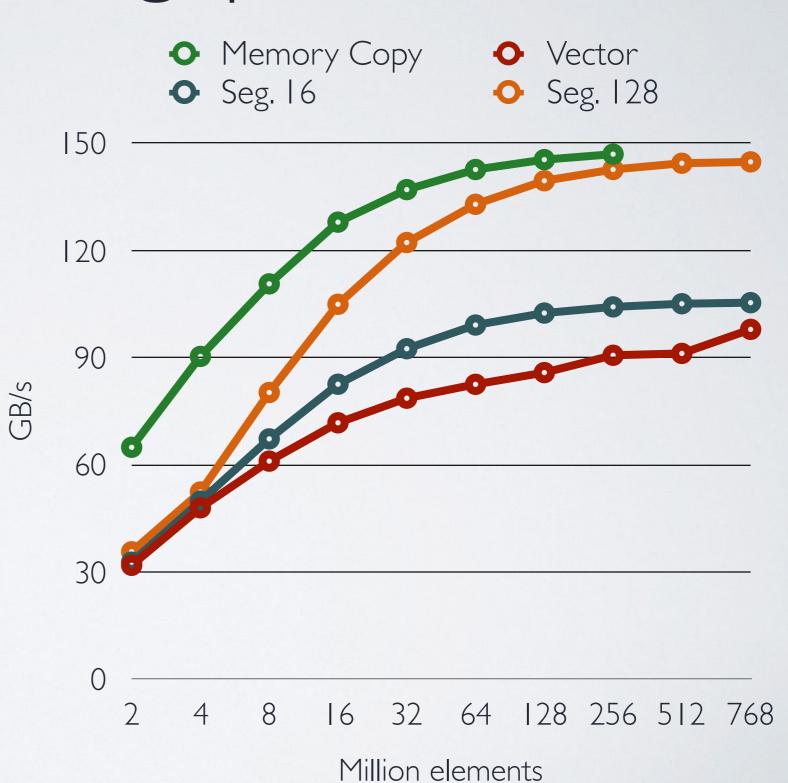




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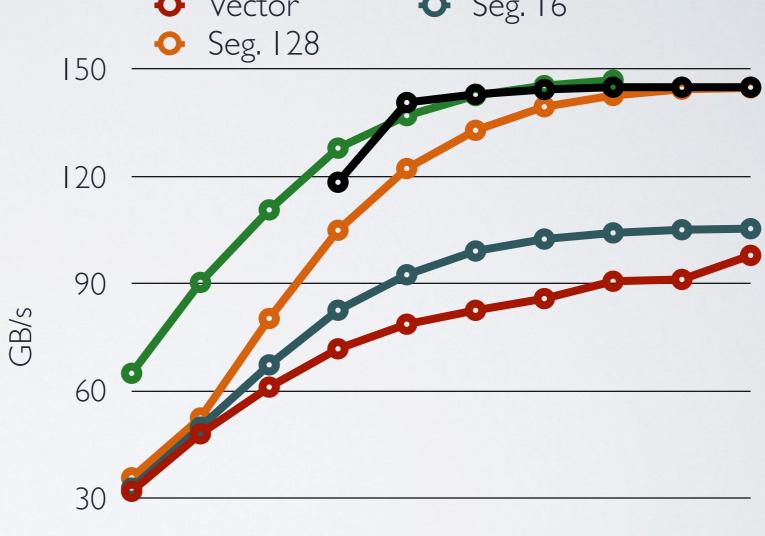


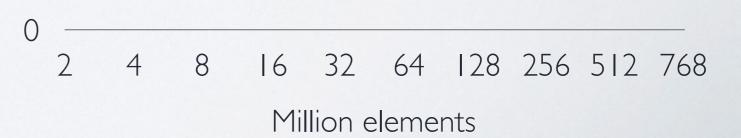
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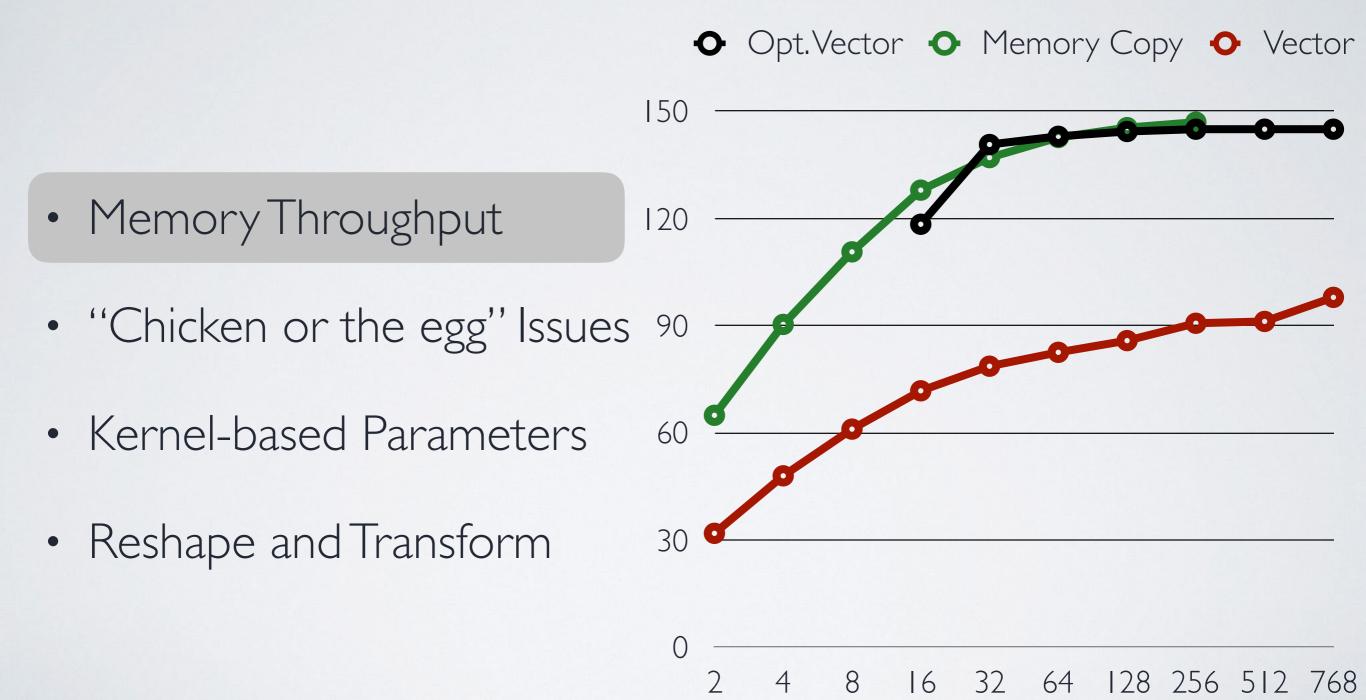


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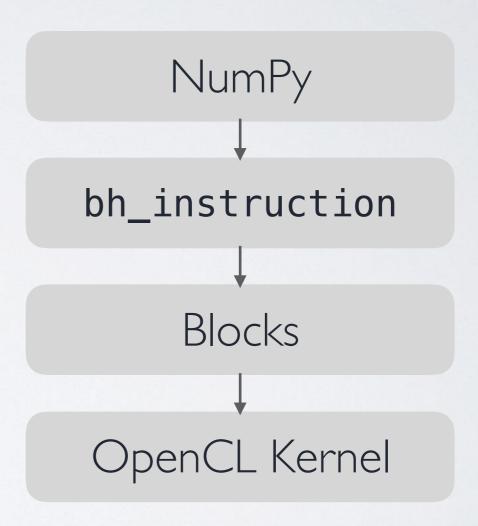




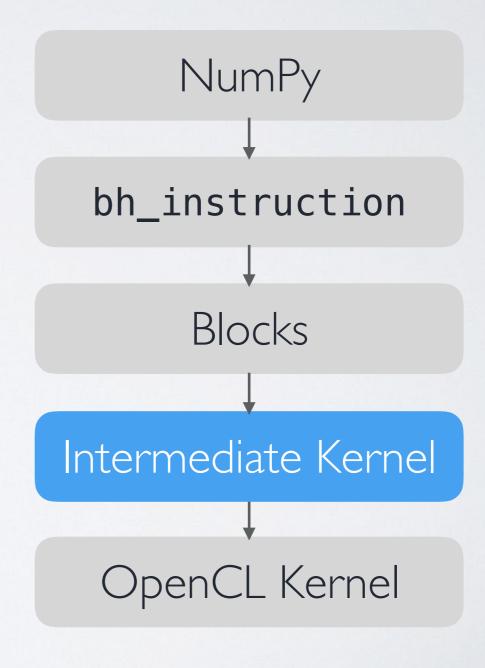


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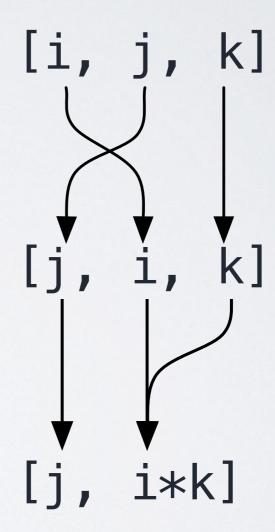


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exprx[:,None,None]
    (75,1,1,75,75)

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uint g1 = get_global_id(1);
uint g0 = get_global_id(2);
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