

Cluster Computing and GPU Programming Introduction

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Introduction to Parallel Computing for Beginners

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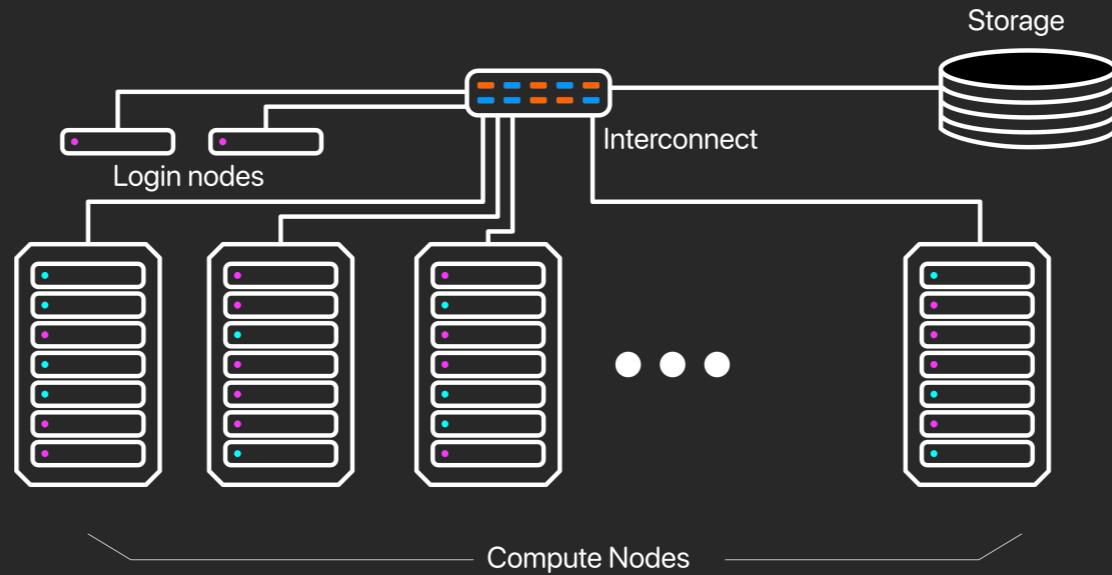
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Ways of accessing these slides:

- As a PDF from this training event's github repo <https://github.com/CaSToRC-Cyl/NCC-training-202403>
- Via web browser at slides.koutsou.net/EuroCC-2024-03-15 ← recommended

Cluster Computing

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Specific configuration of our local system

- Part of a larger system with ~100 nodes
- 2 nodes reserved for this training
 - Hostnames: `gpu{03,04}`
 - 2×20-core Intel Xeon
 - 186 GBytes RAM
 - 2×NVIDIA V100 GPUs with 32 GBytes Graphics memory each
- Common storage for our course: `/nvme/scratch/edu19/`

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SLURM job scheduler

- See currently running and waiting jobs: `squeue`
- Ask for an interactive job: `salloc`
- Submit a batch job: `sbatch`
- Run an executable: `srun`

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- `-p=gpu`: requests a node from the `gpu` partition — the partition that includes all `gpu??` nodes

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- The output, `gpu02`, reveals that we were allocated node `gpu02` for this specific — very short — job

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- Run multiple instances of `hostname` in parallel:

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gpu03
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[ikoutsou@front02 h]$ pwd  
/nvme/h
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#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>

int
main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char hname[256];
    pid_t p;
    gethostname(hname, 256);
    p = getpid();
    printf(" Hostname: %s, pid: %lu\n", hname, p);
    return 0;
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```

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```
#include <unistd.h>           // ← provides definitions for gethostname() and getpid()
#include <stdio.h>            // ← provides definitions for printf()
#include <sys/types.h>         // ← defines the pid_t type
// main()
//   → argv[] is an array of strings which holds all command line arguments
//   → argc holds the number of elements of argv
int
main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char hname[256];          // ← declare hname[] as an array of 256 characters (a string of length 256)
    pid_t p;                  // ← declare p as a pid_t type, in this case, an unsigned long integer
    gethostname(hname, 256);   // ← call gethostname(), return hostname in hname which is 256 characters long
    p = getpid();             // ← call getpid(), return value in p
    printf(" Hostname: %s, pid: %lu\n", hname, p); // print statement
    return 0; // ← return a value of 0 to the operating system. By convention 0 means success.
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[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ module load gompi  
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ module list  
  
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[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ module list
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- To compile:

```
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ module load gompi
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ gcc prog-01.c -o p01
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[ikoutsou@front02 ~]$ module show gompi
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```
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ module load gompi
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ module list
Currently Loaded Modules:
 1) GCCcore/11.3.0          5) numactl/2.0.14-GCCcore-11.3.0    9) hwloc/2.7.1-GCCcore-11.3.0    13) libfabric/1.15.1-GCCcore-11.3.0  1
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- `-o p01` means "name the resulting executable `p01`". If you don't specify `-o` the executable name defaults to `a.out`

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- Type `ls` to make sure it has been created. Then run it on the frontend node:

```
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ ls  
p01  prog-01.c  
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ ./p01  
Hostname: front02, pid: 14848
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[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ ./p01  
Hostname: front02, pid: 14848
```

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```
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ srun -N 2 -n 4 -p gpu --reservation=edu19 -A edu19 ./p01  
Hostname: gpu02, pid: 129145  
Hostname: gpu03, pid: 241544  
Hostname: gpu03, pid: 241543  
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[ikoutsou@front02 01]$
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1 process ran on `gpu02` and 3 processes ran *in parallel* on `gpu03`

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```
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ cd ../  
[ikoutsou@front02 eurocc-training]$ mkdir 02  
[ikoutsou@front02 eurocc-training]$ cd 02/  
[ikoutsou@front02 02]$
```

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```
[ikoutsou@front02 01]$ cd ..
[ikoutsou@front02 eurocc-training]$ mkdir 02
[ikoutsou@front02 eurocc-training]$ cd 02/
[ikoutsou@front02 02]$
```

- Copy the program `fletcher32.c` from `/nvme/scratch/edu19/02/fletcher32.c`

```
[ikoutsou@front02 02]$ cp /nvme/scratch/edu19/02/fletcher32.c .
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[ikoutsou@front02 eurocc-training]$ cd 02/
[ikoutsou@front02 02]$
```

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```
[ikoutsou@front02 02]$ cp /nvme/scratch/edu19/02/fletcher32.c .
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- Inspect `fletcher32.c`, e.g.:

```
[ikoutsou@front02 02]$ emacs -nw fletcher32.c
```

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- Compile and run on the frontend:

```
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- `date +"%T.%6N"` prints the current time, including milliseconds (you can try this on the command line interactively)
- The lines starting with `#SBATCH` are parsed by Slurm, even though they are ignored as comments by bash.

The options are the same as you would pass to `srun`. Notice that `srun` now takes no options

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- Check the output:

```
[ikoutsou@front02 02]$ cat f32.txt
16:47:53.325712
/nvme/scratch/edu19/data/03.txt: 0c40e2d2
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```

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- Submit and check output once completed (will overwrite previous output). Note that the 10 iterations need about 15 seconds:

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17:12:25.469723
/nvme/scratch/edu19/data/00.txt: 04d70552
/nvme/scratch/edu19/data/01.txt: 19708cd4
/nvme/scratch/edu19/data/02.txt: ed737a1c
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/nvme/scratch/edu19/data/07.txt: 016db6c6
/nvme/scratch/edu19/data/08.txt: 700c1fd1
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date +"%T.%6N"
for((i=0; i<10; i++)); do
    filename=$(printf "%02.0f.txt" $i)
    srun --exclusive -n 1 -N 1 ./f32 /nvme/scratch/edu19/data/$filename &
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- `--exclusive` means that each process will be dedicated a processor (i.e., a "CPU core")

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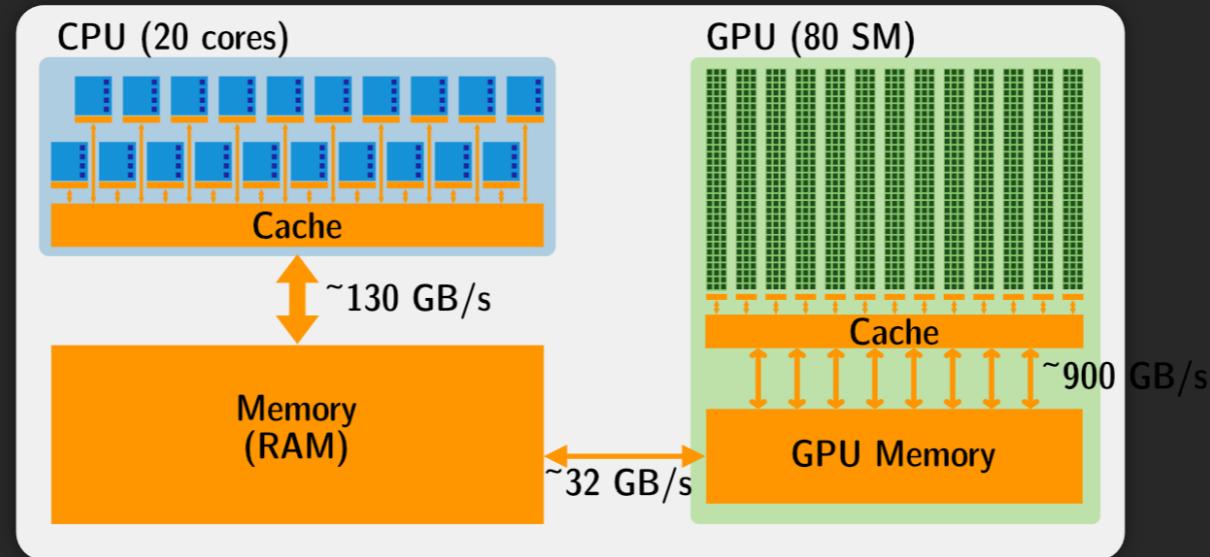
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GPU architecture

At a very high level:



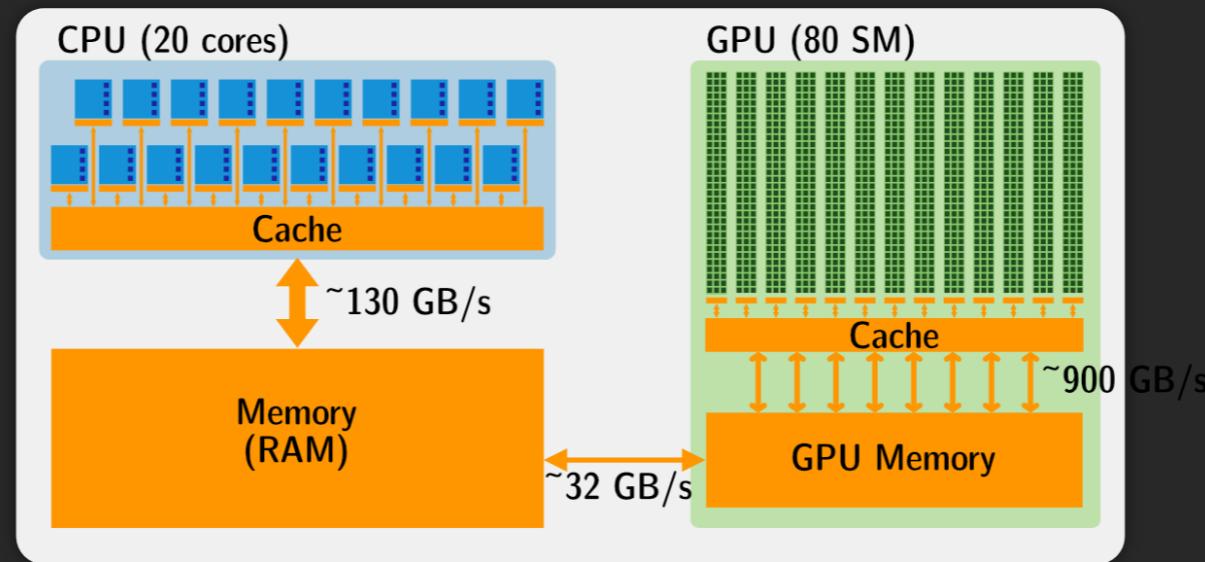
CPU

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GPU

- Many light "cores"
- Smaller memory
- High BW to memory
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GPU programming model

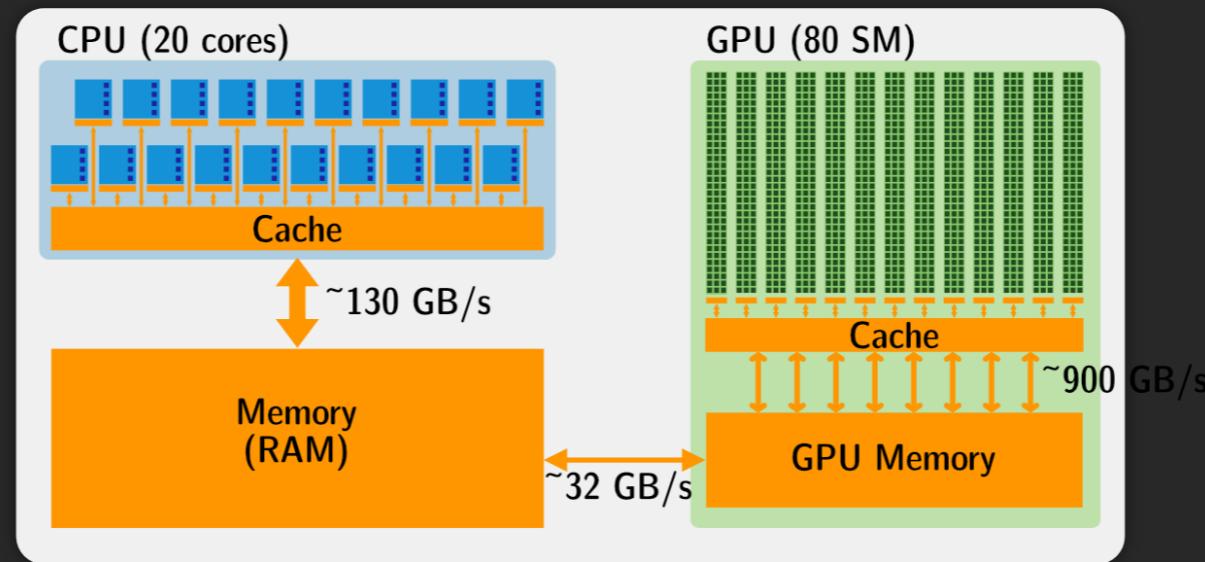


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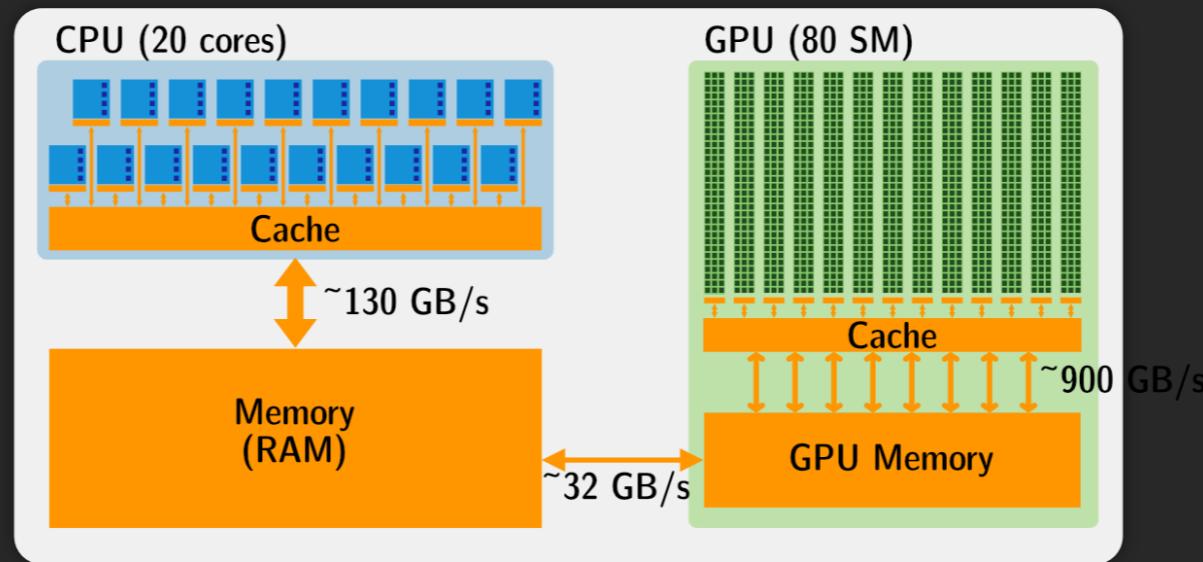
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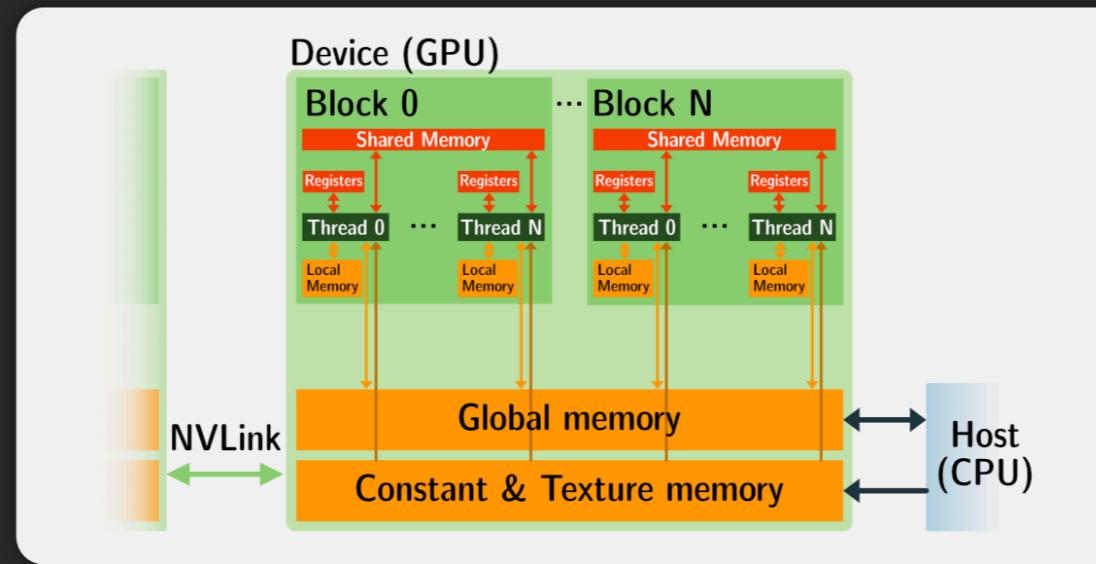
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"Offload" model of programming

- CPU starts program (runs `main()`)
- CPU copies data to GPU memory (over e.g. PCIe, $\sim 32 \text{ GB/s}$)
- CPU dispatches "kernels" for execution on GPU
 - Kernels read/write to GPU memory ($\sim 900 \text{ GB/s}$)
 - Kernels run on GPU threads (thousands) which share *fast* memory [$O(10)$ times faster compared to GPU memory]
- Kernel completes; CPU copies data back from GPU (over e.g. PCIe, $\sim 32 \text{ GB/s}$)

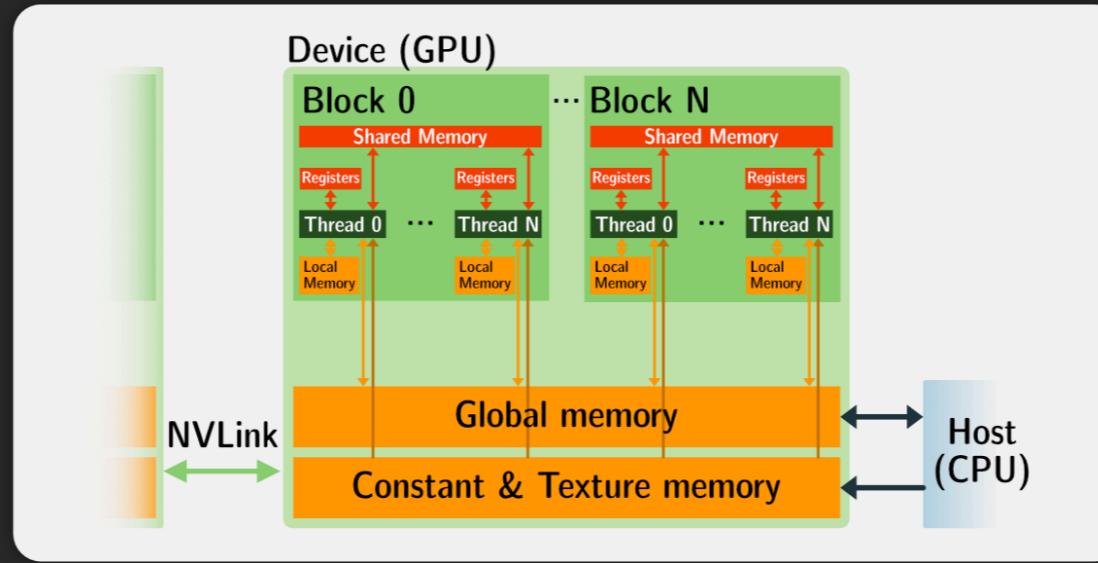
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GPU memory model (NVIDIA model)

- GPU threads: *slow* access to global, constant, and texture memory
- Each thread has *registers* (fast) and *local memory* (slow)
- Threads are grouped into *blocks*; Threads within the same block: *shared memory* (fast)
- Shared memory is limited. E.g. 96 KB per block for V100

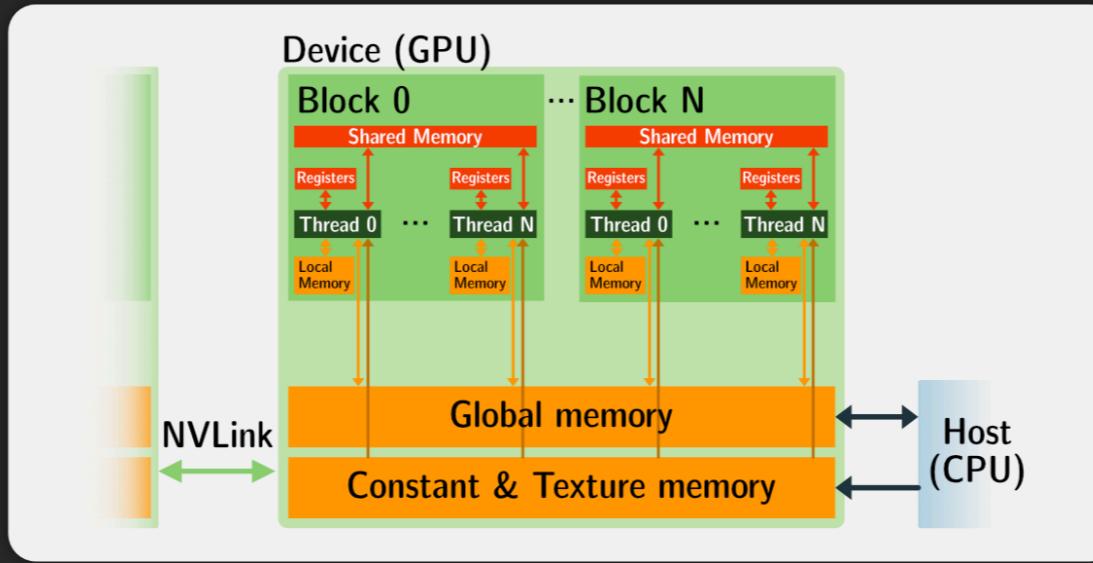
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GPU memory model (NVIDIA model); some numbers for context

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- Register memory (per block): 64 KB
- Shared memory (per block): 96 KB
- Also, max. 255 registers per thread

GPU programming model



GPU memory model (NVIDIA model)

- Assumptions about execution order
 - Threads within the same block can be assumed to run concurrently
 - No assumption about the order by which blocks are executed

CUDA programming model

NVIDIA programming framework for NVIDIA GPUs

- Compute Unified Device Architecture
- C-like programming language for writing *CUDA Kernels*
 - Includes C/C++ and Fortran variants
 - Compiler for C/C++: nvcc
- Functions for transferring data to/from GPUs, starting kernels, etc.
- Some higher-level functionality also available (linear algebra, random number generations, etc.)
- Concepts generalizable to other accelerator programming frameworks (OpenCL, OpenACC, HiP, etc.)

CUDA programming basics

Nomenclature

- "Host" is the CPU
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```
err = cudaMalloc(&d_ptr, size);
```

- Call from *host* (CPU)
- Allocate `size` bytes of memory on GPU and store the starting address in `d_ptr`
- `d_ptr` is a variable that holds an address to GPU memory i.e. a "device pointer"
- If `err` ≠ `cudaSuccess` then something went wrong

Free GPU memory

```
cudaFree(d_ptr);
```

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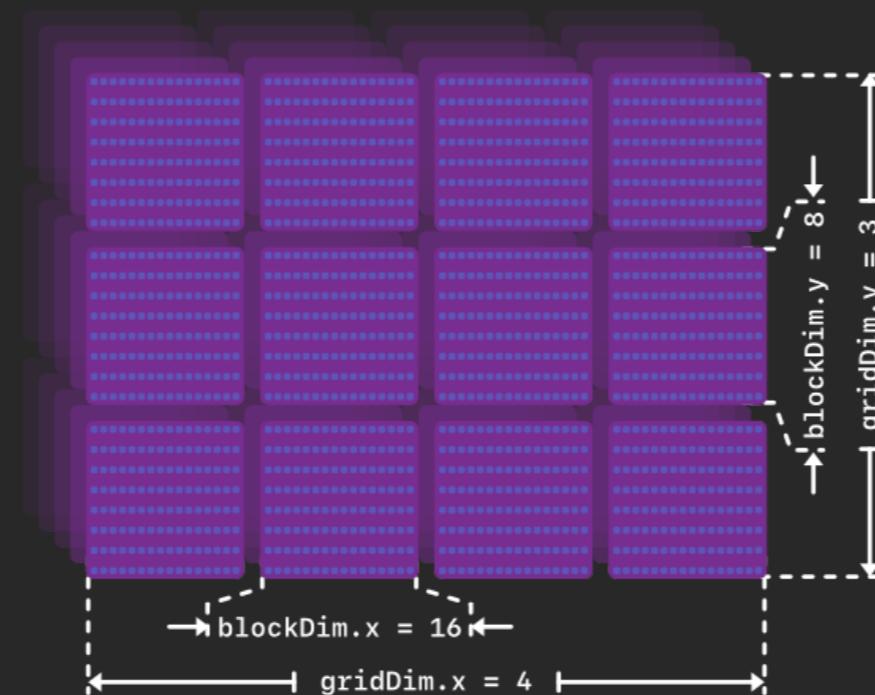
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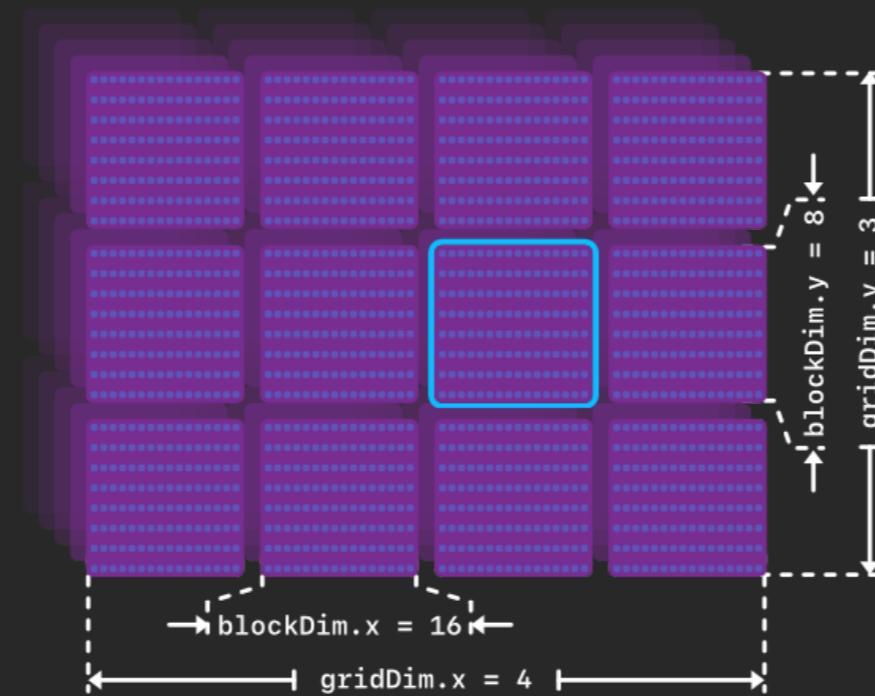
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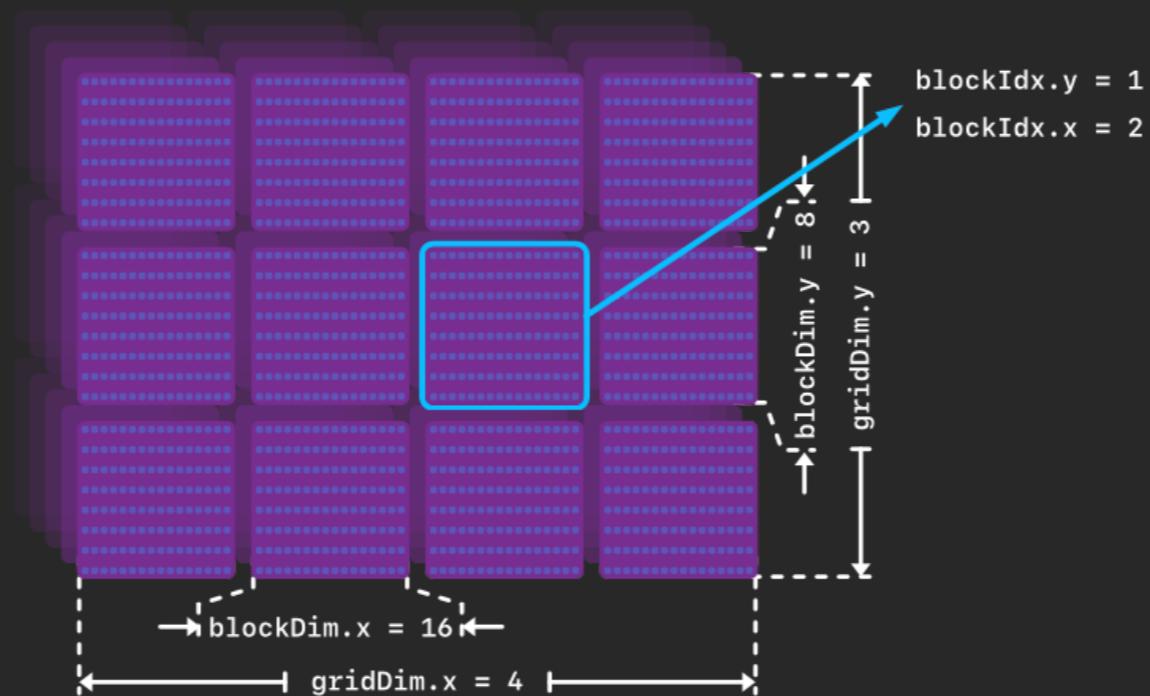
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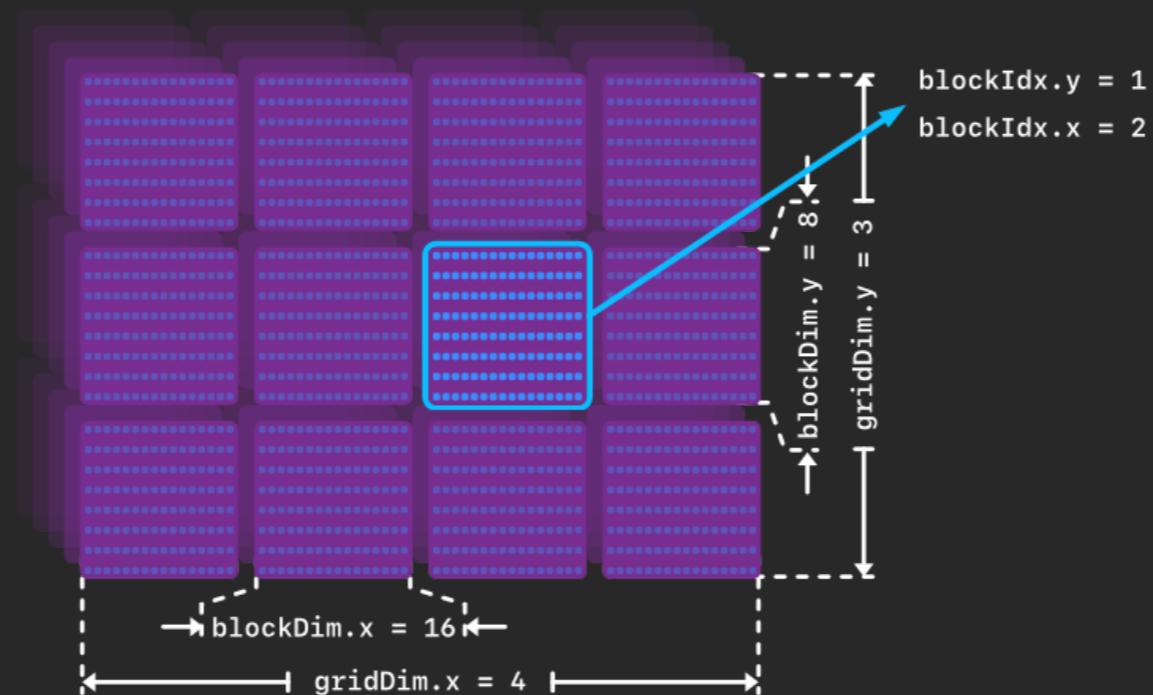
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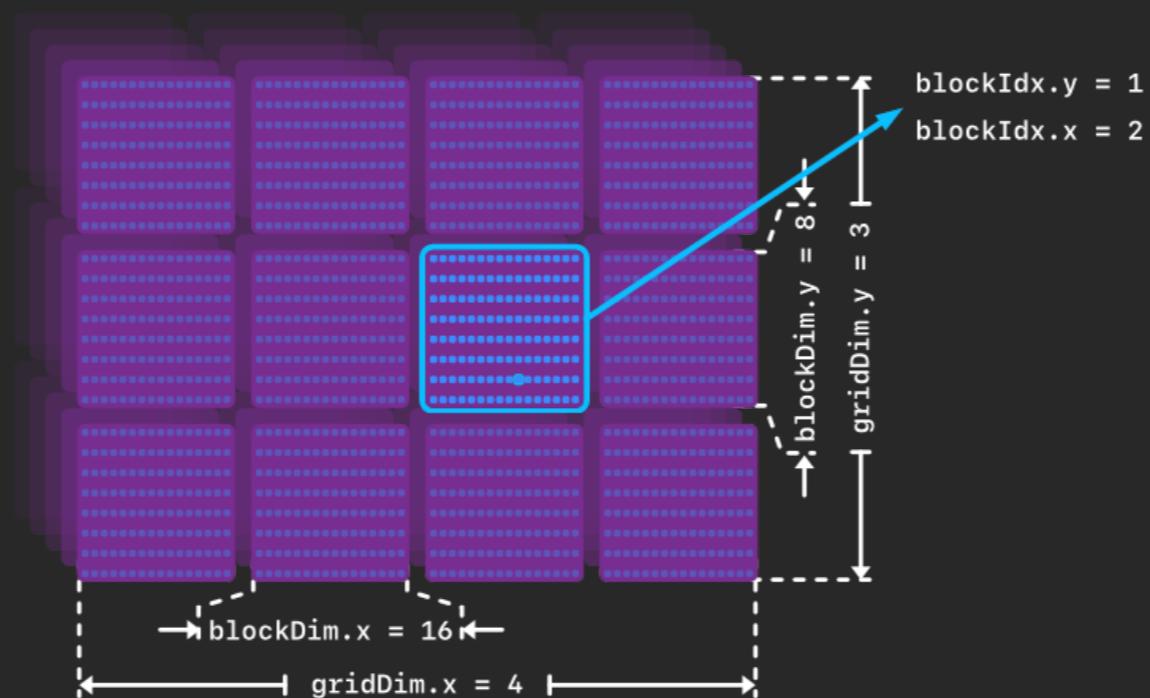
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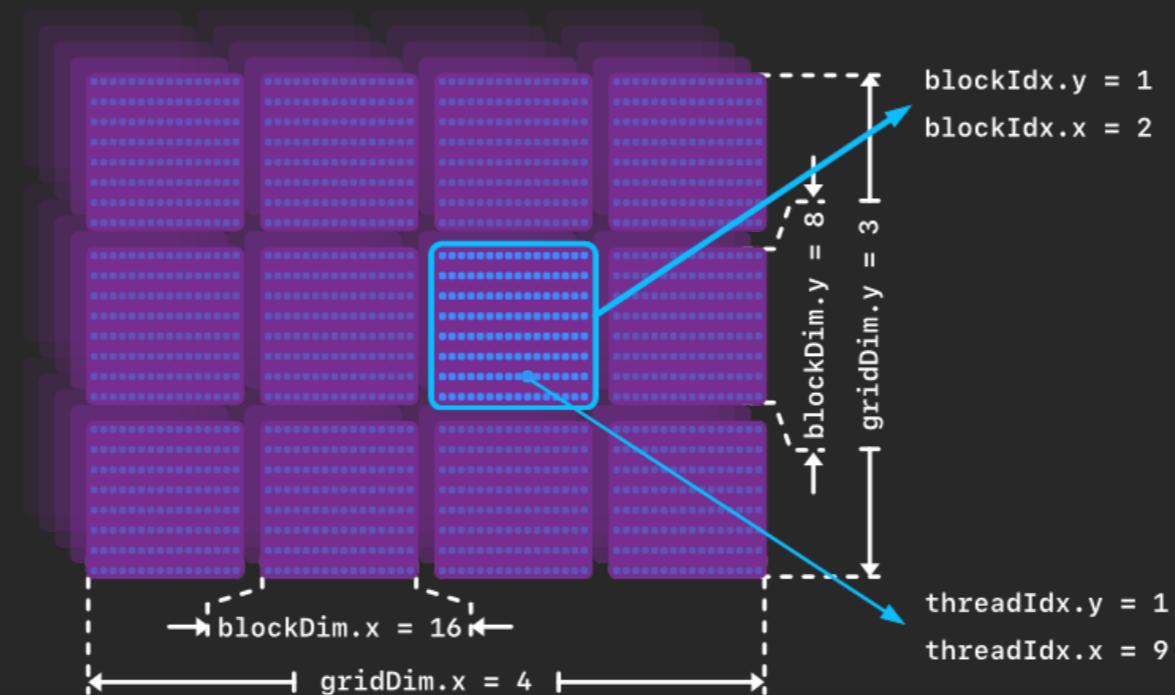
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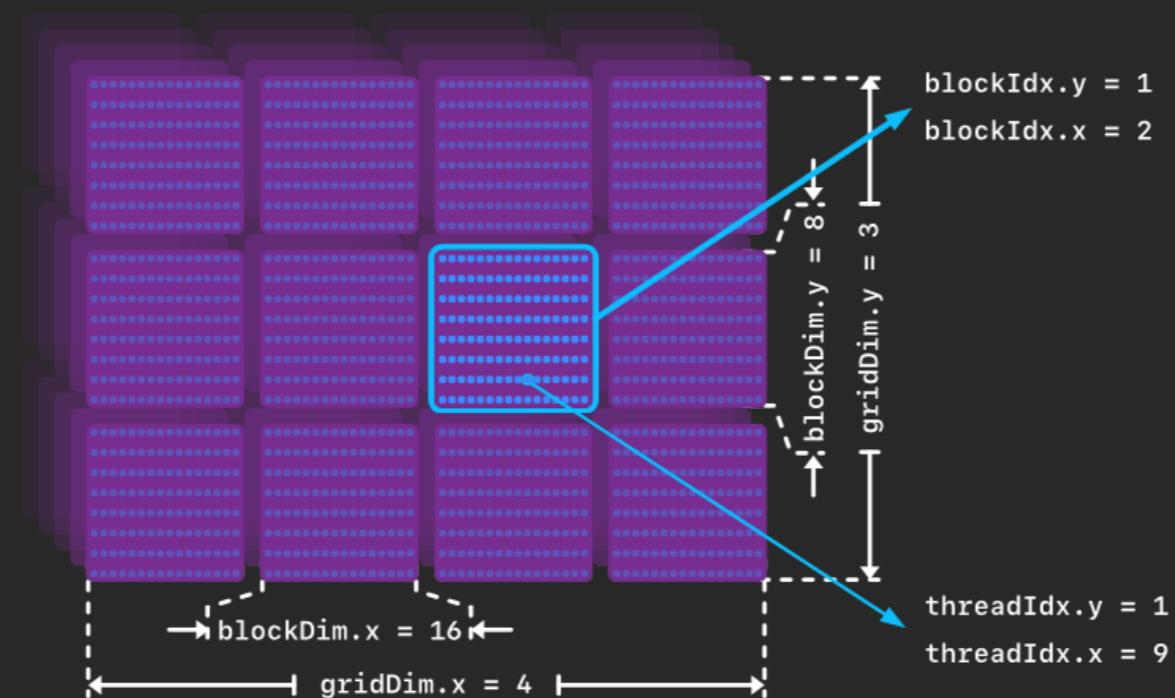
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CUDA, by example

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Take some time to inspect `axpy.cu` before we compile and run

CUDA Example

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CUDA Example

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- Compare ~100 GB/s achieved vs ~130 GB/s peak memory bandwidth

CUDA Example

Use a GPU to replace part B of the calculation

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- Edits within `main()`:
 1. Allocate arrays on GPU
 2. Copy `x1[:]` and `y1[:]` to GPU
 3. Call `gpu_axpy()`
 4. Copy `y1[:]` from GPU

CUDA Example

Edits outside of main() 1/3

- Add the `cuda_runtime.h` header file on line 5:

```
#include <cuda_runtime.h>
```

CUDA Example

Edits outside of main() 2/3

- Add the GPU `axpy` kernel, naming it `gpu_axpy()`, after the CPU `axpy`, around line 64:

```
/***
 * Do  $y \leftarrow a*x + y$  on the GPU
 ***/
__global__ void
gpu_axpy(int n, float a, float *x, float *y)
{
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++)
        y[i] = a*x[i] + y[i];

    return;
}
```

CUDA Example

Edits outside of main() 3/3

- At around line 30 add a function similar to `ualloc()` that allocates memory on the GPU and checks whether an error occurred

```
/***
 * Allocate memory on GPU; print error if not successful
 ***/
void *
gpu_alloc(size_t size)
{
    void *ptr;
    cudaError_t err = cudaMalloc(&ptr, size);
    if(err != cudaSuccess) {
        fprintf(stderr, "cudaMalloc() returned %d; quitting...\n", err);
        exit(-2);
    }
    return ptr;
}
```

CUDA Example

Edits within `main()` 1/4

- Allocate arrays on GPU, within `B` part. Free arrays before closing `B` part:

```
/*
 * B: Run axpy(), return to y1, report performance
 */
{
    /* Allocate GPU memory */
    float *d_x = (float *)gpu_alloc(n*sizeof(float));
    float *d_y = (float *)gpu_alloc(n*sizeof(float));
    ...
    cudaFree(d_x);
    cudaFree(d_y);
}
```

CUDA Example

Edits within `main()` 2/4

- Copy `x1[:, :]` and `y1[:, :]` to GPU

```
cudaMemcpy(d_x, x1, sizeof(float)*n, cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
cudaMemcpy(d_y, y1, sizeof(float)*n, cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
```

CUDA Example

Edits within `main()` 3/4

- Call `gpu_axpy()`. For the moment use 1 thread and 1 block. Replace `axpy(n, a, x, y)` of part B with:

```
double t0 = stop_watch(0);
gpu_axpy<<<1, 1>>>(n, a, d_x, d_y);
t0 = stop_watch(t0);
```

Note we need to pass the *device pointers* since it is these pointers that point to the memory allocated on the GPU

CUDA Example

Edits within `main()` 4/4

- Copy `y1[:, :]` from GPU:

```
/* Copy y1 back from GPU */
cudaMemcpy(y1, d_y, sizeof(float)*n, cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost);
```

- Also change:

```
printf(" CPU: nthr = %4d    ... );
```

to:

```
printf(" GPU:          ... );
```

and remove OpenMP parallel region.

CUDA Example

Compile and run

- Compile as before:

```
[ikoutsou@front02 03]$ nvcc -arch sm_70 -O3 -Xcompiler -fopenmp -o axpy axpy.cu
```

- Run as before (I'm assuming `OMP_BIND`, `OMP_PLACES`, and `OMP_NUM_THREADS` were set before):

```
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CPU: nthr = 20 t0 = 0.0091 sec P = 14.816 Gflop/s B = 88.896 GB/s
GPU:          t0 = 0.0000 sec P = 2916.839 Gflop/s B = 17501.035 GB/s
Diff = 1.021564e-15
```

This performance is infeasible. What's going on?

CUDA Example

Edits within `main()` 3/4

- The problem is here:

```
double t0 = stop_watch(0);
gpu_axpy<<<1, 1>>>(n, a, d_x, d_y);
t0 = stop_watch(t0);
```

- CUDA kernels return **immediately**; the kernel is still being executed on the device when `stop_watch(t0)` is called. We are **not** timing the kernel execution time, but the time it takes to dispatch the kernel to the GPU.
- Correct this by adding `cudaDeviceSynchronize();` after the CUDA kernel, which blocks until all running CUDA kernels are complete:

```
double t0 = stop_watch(0);
gpu_axpy<<<1, 1>>>(n, a, d_x, d_y);
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```

CUDA Example

- Compile and run again:

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CPU: nthr = 20    t0 = 0.0092 sec    P = 14.622 Gflop/s    B = 87.732 GB/s
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- We're using only one GPU thread in the kernel

CUDA Example

Use more threads

- In this step, we will use 512 GPU threads. First, change the call to the GPU kernel:

```
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```

- Then we need to change the kernel. We need in each GPU thread to calculate which elements it will operate on:

```
/***
 * Do  $y \leftarrow a*x + y$  on the GPU
 ***/
__global__ void
gpu_axpy(int n, float a, float *x, float *y)
{
    int ithr = threadIdx.x;
    int nthr = blockDim.x;
    int lt = n/nthr;
    for(int i=ithr*lt; i<(ithr+1)*lt; i++)
        y[i] = a*x[i] + y[i];
    return;
}
```

- With the above, each thread operated on $n/nthr$ contiguous elements

CUDA Example

- Compile and run again:

```
[ikoutsou@front02 03]$ srun -n 1 --cpus-per-task=20 -p gpu -A edu19 --gres=gpu:1 --reservation=edu19 ./axpy $((1024*1024*64))
CPU: nthr = 20    t0 = 0.0092 sec    P = 14.606 Gflop/s    B = 87.637 GB/s
GPU:          t0 = 0.1864 sec    P = 0.720 Gflop/s    B = 4.321 GB/s
Diff = 1.021564e-15
```

- Better than before, but still very poor performance. Can we do better?

CUDA Example

Optimized GPU memory access

Always keep in mind that on GPUs, it is more optimal if contiguous threads access contiguous memory locations

arr[]
in global GPU
memory

arr[0]	→ threadIdx.x = 0, 1st iter.
arr[1]	→ threadIdx.x = 0, 2nd iter.
arr[2]	→ threadIdx.x = 0, 3rd iter.
...	
arr[k-1]	→ threadIdx.x = 0, kth iter.
arr[k]	→ threadIdx.x = 1, 1st iter.
arr[k+1]	→ threadIdx.x = 1, 2nd iter.
...	

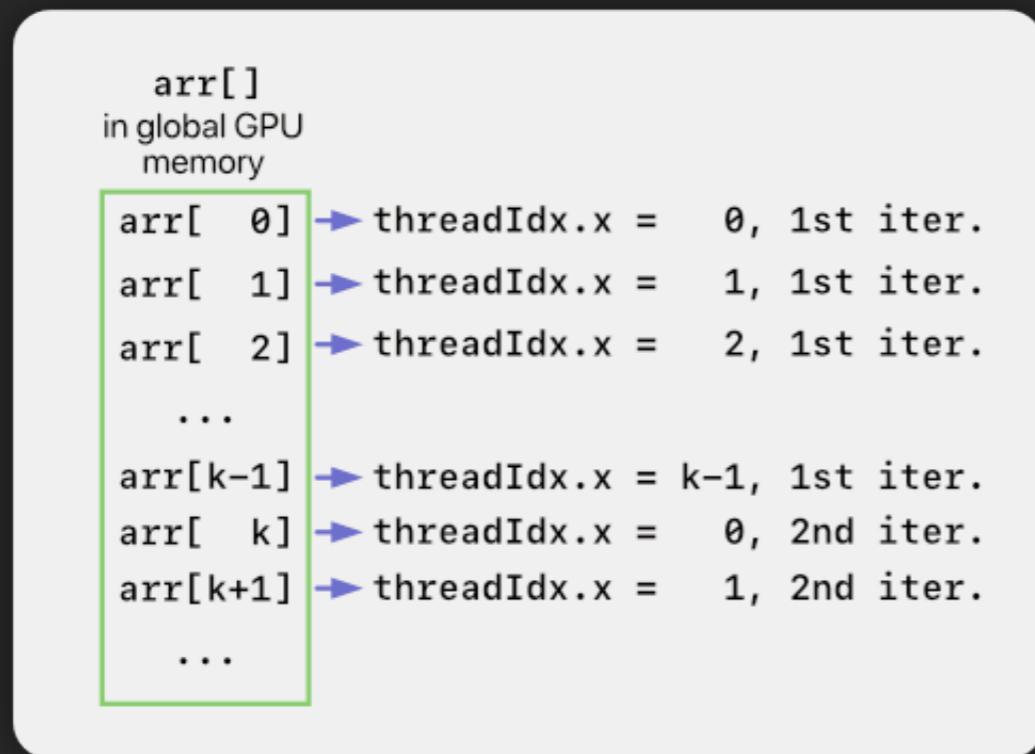
This represents the order by which elements are accessed currently

- The same thread accesses continuous elements
- Very common approach on CPUs
- On GPUs, this results in so-called *bank conflicts*
- *Suboptimal!*

CUDA Example

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This represents an optimal data access pattern

- Different threads accesses continuous elements
- Each thread is served by a different memory bank

CUDA Example

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In our example:

```
/***
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 ***/
__global__ void
gpu_axpy(int n, float a, float *x, float *y)
{
    int ithr = threadIdx.x;
    int nthr = blockDim.x;
    for(int i=0; i<n; i+=nthr)
        y[i+ithr] = a*x[i+ithr] + y[i+ithr];
    return;
}
```

- Compile and run:

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CPU: nthr = 20 t0 = 0.0092 sec P = 14.662 Gflop/s B = 87.972 GB/s
GPU:      t0 = 0.0619 sec P = 2.168 Gflop/s B = 13.009 GB/s
Diff = 1.021564e-15
```

CUDA Example

Blocks and threads

Now let's use blocks. Let's use as many blocks and threads as we can

- Upper limit of 1024 threads
- Upper limit of $2^{31} - 1$ blocks

```
double t0 = stop_watch(0);
int nthr = 1024;
gpu_axpy<<<n/nthr, nthr>>>(n, a, d_x, d_y);
cudaDeviceSynchronize();
t0 = stop_watch(t0);
```

```
/**
 * Do y ← a*x + y on the GPU
 */
__global__ void
gpu_axpy(int n, float a, float *x, float *y)
{
    int ithr = threadIdx.x;
    int nthr = blockDim.x;
    int iblk = blockIdx.x;
    int idx = ithr + iblk*nthr;
    y[idx] = a*x[idx] + y[idx];
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}
```

CUDA Example

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GPU:          t0 = 0.0011 sec    P = 120.701 Gflop/s    B = 724.207 GB/s
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- Try varying the number of threads per block. E.g. with 512 threads I got ~735 GB/s.

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Major points that were **not** covered

- *Shared memory*: memory that can be shared between GPU threads in the same block
- *Thread scheduling*
 - Thread synchronization
 - Thread warps
 - Considerations when using control flow constructs (e.g. `if`-statements)

