

CUDA Kernel Execution Configuration Questions / Questions de Configuration d'Exécution des Noyaux CUDA

Question 1:

Given a matrix of size $nx = 1024$ and $ny = 1024$, and a 2D grid with block dimensions $dimx = 16$, $dimy = 16$:

1. What will be the grid dimensions $grid.x$ and $grid.y$?
2. How many total threads will be launched in the kernel?

Answer / Réponse:

$grid.x = 64$, $grid.y = 64$, Total threads = 1048576

Explanation / Explication:

The grid dimensions are calculated as:

$grid.x = ceil(nx / dimx) = ceil(1024 / 16) = 64$

$grid.y = ceil(ny / dimy) = ceil(1024 / 16) = 64$

Total threads = $grid.x * grid.y * block.x * block.y = 64 * 64 * 16 * 16 = 1048576$.

Question 2:

Given a matrix of size $nx = 2048$ and $ny = 2048$, and a 2D grid with block dimensions $dimx = 32$, $dimy = 32$:

1. What will be the grid dimensions $grid.x$ and $grid.y$?
2. How many total threads will be launched in the kernel?

Answer / Réponse:

$grid.x = 64$, $grid.y = 64$, Total threads = 4194304

Explanation / Explication:

The grid dimensions are calculated as:

$grid.x = ceil(nx / dimx) = ceil(2048 / 32) = 64$

$grid.y = ceil(ny / dimy) = ceil(2048 / 32) = 64$

Total threads = $grid.x * grid.y * block.x * block.y = 64 * 64 * 32 * 32 = 4194304$.

Question 3:

Given a matrix of size $nx = 8192$ and $ny = 8192$, and a 2D grid with block dimensions $dimx = 64$, $dimy = 64$:

1. What will be the grid dimensions $grid.x$ and $grid.y$?
2. How many total threads will be launched in the kernel?

Answer / Réponse:

$grid.x = 128$, $grid.y = 128$, Total threads = 67108864

Explanation / Explication:

The grid dimensions are calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{grid.x} &= \text{ceil}(nx / \text{dimx}) = \text{ceil}(8192 / 64) = 128 \\ \text{grid.y} &= \text{ceil}(ny / \text{dimy}) = \text{ceil}(8192 / 64) = 128 \end{aligned}$$

Total threads = $\text{grid.x} * \text{grid.y} * \text{block.x} * \text{block.y} = 128 * 128 * 64 * 64 = 67108864$.

Question 4:

Given a matrix of size $nx = 16384$ and $ny = 8192$, and a 2D grid with block dimensions $\text{dimx} = 32$, $\text{dimy} = 32$:

1. What will be the grid dimensions grid.x and grid.y ?
2. How many total threads will be launched in the kernel?

Answer / Réponse:

$$\text{grid.x} = 512, \text{grid.y} = 256, \text{Total threads} = 134217728$$

Explanation / Explication:

The grid dimensions are calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{grid.x} &= \text{ceil}(nx / \text{dimx}) = \text{ceil}(16384 / 32) = 512 \\ \text{grid.y} &= \text{ceil}(ny / \text{dimy}) = \text{ceil}(8192 / 32) = 256 \end{aligned}$$

Total threads = $\text{grid.x} * \text{grid.y} * \text{block.x} * \text{block.y} = 512 * 256 * 32 * 32 = 134217728$.

Question 5:

Given a matrix of size $nx = 512$ and $ny = 512$, and a 2D grid with block dimensions $\text{dimx} = 8$, $\text{dimy} = 8$:

1. What will be the grid dimensions grid.x and grid.y ?
2. How many total threads will be launched in the kernel?

Answer / Réponse:

$$\text{grid.x} = 64, \text{grid.y} = 64, \text{Total threads} = 262144$$

Explanation / Explication:

The grid dimensions are calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{grid.x} &= \text{ceil}(nx / \text{dimx}) = \text{ceil}(512 / 8) = 64 \\ \text{grid.y} &= \text{ceil}(ny / \text{dimy}) = \text{ceil}(512 / 8) = 64 \end{aligned}$$

Total threads = $\text{grid.x} * \text{grid.y} * \text{block.x} * \text{block.y} = 64 * 64 * 8 * 8 = 262144$.