CME213/ME339 Lecture 12

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Thrust Algorithms

- Transformations
- Reductions
- Sorts
- Searches
- Set Operations
- Compaction



Algorithm variants

- Many algorithms will have many variants on the same idea
- Often there can be either 1 or 2 input sequences with either an unary or binary function
- *_if variants take a stencil or predicate function and only perform the operation if the stencil or predicate is true
- *_by_key variants perform the operation on multiple smaller sequences
 - with the exception of sort_by_key which is poorly named



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transform

1

2

3

4

Example use:

```
#include <thrust/transform.h>
#include <thrust/functional.h>

int data[10] = {-5, 0, 2, -3, 2, 4, 0, -1, 2, 8};

thrust::negate<int> op;

thrust::transform(data, data + 10, data, op); // in-place transformation
// data is now {5, 0, -2, 3, -2, -4, 0, 1, -2, -8};
```



transform

Example use:

```
#include <thrust/transform.h>
1
2
    #include <thrust/functional.h>
3
    thrust::host_vector<int> input1(6);
4
    //= {-5, 0, 2, 3, 2, 4}
5
    thrust::host_vector<int> input2(6);
    // = \{ 3, 6, -2, 1, 2, 3 \};
    thrust::host_vector<int> output(6);
8
9
    thrust::plus<int> op;
10
    thrust::transform(input1.begin(), input1.end(), input2.begin(),
11
                       output.begin(), op);
12
    // output is now {-2, 6, 0, 4, 4, 7};
13
```



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transform_if

Example use:

2

```
#include <thrust/transform.h>
1
    #include <thrust/functional.h>
2
    int data[10] = \{-5, 0, 2, -3, 2, 4, 0, -1, 2, 8\}:
3
4
    struct is odd {
5
         __host__ __device__
         bool operator()(int x) {
            return x % 2;
8
9
    };
10
11
    thrust::negate<int> op;
12
    // negate odd elements; in-place transformation
13
    thrust::transform_if(data, data + 10, data, op, is_odd());
14
15
    // data is now {5, 0, 2, 3, 2, 4, 0, 1, 2, 8};
16
```



```
transform_if
```

```
ForwardIterator thrust::transform_if(InputIterator1 first1,
InputIterator1 last1, InputIterator2 first2,
InputIterator3 stencil, ForwardIterator result,
BinaryFunction binary_op, Predicate pred);
```

Example use:

```
#include <thrust/transform.h>
1
    #include <thrust/functional.h>
2
3
    int input1[6] = \{-5, 0, 2, 3, 2, 4\};
4
    int input2[6] = \{3, 6, -2, 1, 2, 3\};
    int stencil[8] = { 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0};
    int output[6];
7
8
    thrust::plus<int> op;
9
    thrust::identity<int> identity;
10
11
    thrust::transform_if(input1, input1 + 6, input2, stencil,
12
                         output, op, identity);
13
14
    // output is now {-2, 0, 0, 3, 4, 4};
15
```



Histogram Example

```
Given the sequence:

[2 1 0 0 2 2 1 1 1 1 4]

the dense histogram would be:

[2 5 3 0 1]

the sparse histogram would be:

[(0,2), (1,5), (2,3), (4,1)]
```

- How might we implement these operations with thrust algorithms?
- The first step sort!
- Even when a serial algorithm might not involve sorting it is often a useful primitive when using thrust
- Let's examine the sparse case we can do it with one thrust call!



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Segmented Reduction

We perform multiple reductions using adjacent identical keys to determine which reductions to perform

```
Keys : 1 3 3 3 2 2 1
Vals : 9 8 7 6 5 4 3
```

```
Out Keys : 1 3 2 1
Out Vals : 9 21 9 3
```

So how do we use this to do the histogram?



Sparse Histogram

After sorting...

1

3

5 6

7

8

9

10

11

12 13

14

```
Sequence: 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 4 (keys)
Const. Iterator: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 (vals)
Out Keys: 0 1 2 4 E X X X X X X
Out Vals: 2 5 3 1 E X X X X X X
thrust::device_vector<int> data(11); //= [2 1 0 0 2 2 1 1 1 1 4]
thrust::device_vector<int> histogram_values(11);
thrust::device_vector<int> histogram_counts(11);
thrust::sort(data.begin(), data.end());
typedef thrust::device_vector<int>::iterator devIt;
thrust::pair<devIt, devIt> endIterators =
   thrust::reduce_by_key(data.begin(), data.end(),
                         thrust::make_constant_iterator(1),
                         histogram_values.begin(),
                         histogram_counts.begin());
int num_values = endIterators.first - histogram_values.begin();
```



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Sparse Histogram

- What if we don't want to over-allocate space for histogram_values and histogram_counts?
- Must count how many distinct values in keys
- Can do this with a clever use of inner_product
- Inner product: $(a_0 \otimes b_0) \oplus (a_1 \otimes b_1) \oplus \dots$
- Dot product is $\otimes = \times$ and $\oplus = +$

```
Sequence A: 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 4 (keys)
Sequence B: 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 4 (keys)
```

What should our operations be?



Sparse Histogram

```
int num_bins = thrust::inner_product(data.begin(), data.end() - 1,

data.begin() + 1,

(int)1, thrust::plus<int>(),
thrust::not_equal_to<int>());
```

```
Sequence A: 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 4 (keys)

Sequence B: 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 4 (keys)

A != B : 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1

num_bins : 1 + 0+1+0+0+0+0+1+0+0+1 = 4
```



Second Example - Point Binning

- First generate a random collection of 2d points
- Then bin these points into a 2d grid of cells
- Finally extract which cells have only one point in them

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Random Number Generation

With Thrust

- Can do RNG on both host and device
- We will focus on host generation
- We need a both a generator AND a distribution
- A Generator produces random bits
 - thrust::default_random_engine
- The Distribution turns these bits into something useful uniformly distributed floats between [-3, 10] for example
 - thrust::uniform_real_distribution
 - thrust::uniform_int_distribution



Random Point Generation

```
// return a random vec2 in [0,1)^2
    vec2 make random float2(void)
    {
3
      //The static is important!
4
      static thrust::default_random_engine rng;
      static thrust::uniform_real_distribution<float> u01(0.0f, 1.0f);
      float x = u01(rng);
      float y = u01(rng);
      return vec2(x,y);
9
    }
10
11
    thrust::host_vector<float2> h_points(N);
12
    thrust::generate(h_points.begin(), h_points.end(), make_random_float2);
13
14
15
    thrust::device_vector<float2> points = h_points;
```



Grid Structure

```
// allocate storage for a 2D grid
1
2
     // of dimensions w x h
     unsigned int w = 200, h = 100;
3
4
     // the grid data structure keeps a range per grid bucket:
5
     // each bucket_begin[i] indexes the first element of
6
     // bucket i's list of points
     thrust::device_vector<unsigned int> bucket_begin(w*h);
8
9
     // each bucket_end[i] indexes one past the last element of
10
     // bucket i's list of points
11
     thrust::device_vector<unsigned int> bucket_end(w*h);
12
13
     // allocate storage for each point's bucket index
14
15
     thrust::device_vector<unsigned int> bucket_indices(N);
```



Point to Bucket Functor

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```
// hash a point in the unit square to the index of
1
    // the grid bucket that contains it
2
    struct point_to_bucket_index :
3
4
               thrust::unary_function<float2,unsigned int>
5
      float width; // buckets in the x dimension (grid spacing = 1/width)
6
      float height; // buckets in the y dimension (grid spacing = 1/height)
7
8
      __host__ __device__
9
      point_to_bucket_index(unsigned int width, unsigned int height)
10
         : width(width), height(height) {}
11
12
      host device
13
14
      unsigned int operator()(const float2& v) const
      {
15
16
        // find the raster indices of p's bucket
        unsigned int x = static_cast<unsigned int>(v.x * width);
17
18
        unsigned int y = static_cast<unsigned int>(v.y * height);
19
        // return the bucket's linear index
20
        return y * width + x;
21
      }
22
23
```



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Points \rightarrow Cells

```
// transform the points to their bucket indices
1
      thrust::transform(points.begin(),
2
                         points.end(),
3
                         bucket_indices.begin(),
4
                         point_to_bucket_index(w,h));
5
6
      // sort the points by their bucket index
7
      thrust::sort_by_key(bucket_indices.begin(),
8
                           bucket_indices.end().
9
                           points.begin());
10
```

Transform (assume w=10 h=10 here):

```
Points: (.7,.8) (.4,.1) (.6,.4) (.2,.3) (.62, .43) Index: 87 14 64 32 64
```

Sort:

Index: 14 32 64 64 87 Points: (.4,.1) (.2,.3) (.6,.4) (.62, .43) (.7, .8)



Determine Contents of Each Cell

- For each cell [0, w*h) we need to figure out its bounds
- Hmmm...makes me think of a counting_iterator
- The algorithms we need are lower_bound and upper_bound
- lower_bound takes a sequence and a list of search values
- For each search value, it finds the first place in the sequence it could be inserted without changing the ordering

```
Seq: 0 0 1 2 4 4 5 6 6 6 7
3 6
```

lower_bound: 3 6
Output: 4 7



Determine Contents of Each Cell

 upper_bound is similar except it finds the last place in the sequence the value can be inserted without changing the ordering

upper_bound: 3 6
Output: 4 10

Now we can determine the number of points in each cell by subtracting the output of lower_bound from upper_bound



Code for Cell Determination

- The sequence we're searching in comes first
- The values we're searching for come next
- The output goes last

```
// find the beginning of each bucket's list of points
 1
      thrust::counting_iterator<unsigned int> search_begin(0);
 2
 3
      thrust::lower_bound(bucket_indices.begin(),
                           bucket_indices.end(),
 5
                            search_begin,
                            search_begin + w*h,
                            bucket_begin.begin());
8
9
      // find the end of each bucket's list of points
10
      thrust::upper_bound(bucket_indices.begin(),
11
                           bucket_indices.end(),
12
13
                            search_begin,
                            search_begin + w*h,
14
                           bucket_end.begin());
15
```



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Extracting Lonely Points

The function we need for this is called remove_copy_if

```
Cell: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 # Points: 0 1 3 2 1 4 0 4 1 0
```

We need a predicate to determine which cells to remove based on the value of points

```
struct is_equal_to_one : thrust::unary_function<int, int>
{
    __host__ __device__
    int operator()(const int& v)
    {
        return v == 1;
    }
};
```



Extract Cells

```
thrust::device_vector<int> bucket_sizes(N);
 1
2
      thrust::transform(bucket_end.begin(), bucket_end.end(),
                         bucket_begin.begin(), bucket_sizes.begin(),
3
                         thrust::minus<int>());
 4
5
      int num_lonely_cells = thrust::count_if(bucket_sizes.begin(),
6
                                                bucket_sizes.end(),
7
                                                is_equal_to_one());
8
9
      thrust::device_vector<int> lonely_cells(num_lonely_cells);
10
      thrust::remove_copy_if(make_counting_iterator(0),
11
                              make_counting_iterator(w*h),
12
                              bucket_sizes.begin(),
13
                              lonely_cells.begin(),
14
15
                              is_equal_to_one() );
```



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Maximum Number of Points

To determine the cell with the most points, we could use max_element which returns an *iterator* to the largest element

```
thrust::device_vector<int>::iterator maxIt;
maxIt = thrust::max_element(bucket_sizes.begin(), bucket_sizes.end());

int maxNum = *maxIt;
int maxPos = maxIt - bucket_sizes.begin();
```

Points: 0 1 3 2 1 4 0 4 1 0

maxNum: 4

maxPos: 5 (returns the first if there are duplicates)



Vigenère Cipher

- By using multiple shifts (or permutations) instead of just 1 as in a substitution cipher the frequency distribution of the cipher text is obscured
- If we knew the key length, then we could solve multiple substitution ciphers

Plain text: ILIKEMYTEACHER
KEY: NOTNOTNOTNOTNO

Cipher text: VZBXSFLHXNQARF



Determine Key Length

First define an Index of Coincidence (IOC) between two texts as:

$$\frac{26 * \sum_{i=0}^{N} A_i == B_i}{N}$$

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$$TOC = 26 * 1 / 17 = 1.53$$

- Defined so that the IOC between two randomly chosen texts is 1
- \bullet In English the IOC between two different texts (Moby Dick and The Great Gatsby) is ~ 1.73
- Which is because letters are not chosen randomly, but have a non-uniform frequency distribution



Breaking the Vigenère

Shifts don't line up and the IOC is \sim 1, the texts appear random

VZBXSFLHXNQARF VZBXSFLHXNQARF

VZBXSFLHXNQARF VZBXSFLHXNQARF

Shifts line up and suddenly the IOC jumps to \sim 1.73, because now at each position the "alphabet" though jumbled, is the same

VZBXSFLHXNQARF VZBXSFLHXNQARF

