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Rank Sort is an algorithm for sorting a vector based on the rank of each element in the vector.

// Rank Sort Idea: https://mobylab.docs.crescdi.pub.ro/en/docs/parallelAndDistributed/laboratory9/rankSort/

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//How To Run CUDA C or C++ on Google Colab or Azure Notebook: https://harshityadav95.medium.com/how-to-run-cuda-c-or-c-on-google-colab-or-azure-notebook-ea75a23a5962
        // LINK Colab: https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1hev7e8QseO9B__LONuAAbRduiMefUN32?usp=sharing
        // description of the rank sort algorithm : rank sort is an algorithm where each value in an array is assigned a rank, where we count every element that is smaller in value and account for elements that are of the same value, later we assign the value in an array is assigned a thread.
In [ ]: !apt-get --purge remove cuda nvidia* libnvidia-*
         !dpkg -l | grep cuda- | awk '{print $2}' | xargs -n1 dpkg --purge
        !apt-get remove cuda-*
        !apt autoremove
         !apt-get update
In []: !wget https://developer.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/9.2/Prod/local_installers/cuda-repo-ubuntu1604-9-2-local_9.2.88-1_amd64 -0 cuda-repo-ubuntu1604-9-2-local_9.2.88-1_amd64.deb
         !dpkg -i cuda-repo-ubuntu1604-9-2-local_9.2.88-1_amd64.deb
        !apt-key add /var/cuda-repo-9-2-local/7fa2af80.pub
         !apt-get update
In [ ]: !apt-get install cuda-9.2
In [ ]: !apt-get install -y nvidia-cuda-toolkit
In [ ]: !nvcc --version
       nvcc: NVIDIA (R) Cuda compiler driver
      Copyright (c) 2005-2021 NVIDIA Corporation
      Built on Thu_Nov_18_09:45:30_PST_2021
      Cuda compilation tools, release 11.5, V11.5.119
      Build cuda_11.5.r11.5/compiler.30672275_0
In [ ]: !pip install nvcc4jupyter==1.0.0
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In [ ]: %load_ext nvcc4jupyter
       The nvcc4jupyter extension is already loaded. To reload it, use:
        %reload_ext nvcc4jupyter
In [ ]: %%cuda
        #include "cuda_runtime.h"
        #include "device_launch_parameters.h"
        #include <stdio.h>
        #include <stdio.h>
        #include <cuda.h>
        #include <stdlib.h>
        #define N 15 // Array size for any number
        int step = 0;
         __global__ void rankSort(int* d_input, int* d_output, int n) {
            //find the corresponding array index of the thread
            int index = blockIdx.x * blockDim.x + threadIdx.x;
            //check if thread is inside the bounds of array
            if (index >= n)
               return;
            //initialize rank to 0
            int rank = 0;
            //store the value of array cell
            int cell = d_input[index];
            //increment rank for each element less than or equal to d_input[index], and with index i < index
            for (int i = 0; i < index; i++) {
              if (d_input[i] <= cell)
                   rank++;
            //increment rank for each element less than d_input[index], and with index i > index
            for (int i = index + 1; i < n; i++) {
               if (d_input[i] < cell)</pre>
                   rank++;
            //store d_input[index] in the correct index in the output array
            d_output[rank] = cell;
        void printNumbers(int* array, int n) {
           for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
               printf("%d ", array[i]);
        void generateRandom(int* array, int n, int range) {
           for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
               array[i] = rand() % range;
        int main() {
            int h_input[N];
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int h_output[N]; int* d_input, * d_output; generateRandom(h_input, N, N); printf("The Original Sort : "); printNumbers(h_input, N); printf("\n"); cudaMalloc((void**)&d_input, N * sizeof(int)); cudaMalloc((void**)&d_output, N * sizeof(int)); cudaMemcpy(d_input, h_input, N * sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice); int $n_{Blocks} = (N + 1023) / 1024;$ int $n_{Threads} = 1024;$ rankSort << <n_Blocks, n_Threads >> > (d_input, d_output, N); //Because calling the non blocking function, each process must wait for the d_output result to be correct cudaDeviceSynchronize(); cudaMemcpy(h_output, d_output, N * sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost); printf("the sort after using rankSort: "); printNumbers(h_output, N); printf("\nDone!!\n"); cudaFree(d_input); cudaFree(d_output); //printf("%d",rand()); return 0;

The Original Sort : 13 1 12 10 8 10 1 12 9 1 2 7 5 4 8 the sort after using rankSort: 1 1 1 2 4 5 7 8 8 9 10 10 12 12 13 Done!!