Stencil2D

1 Overview

1.1 Location \$<APPSDKSamplesInstallPath>\samples\C++Amp\

1.2 How to Run

See the Getting Started guide for how to build samples. You first must compile the sample.

Use the command line to change to the directory where the executable is located. The default executables are placed in $\$ and $\$ are placed in $\$ are pl

Type the following command(s).

1. SPMV

This runs the program with the default options -i 10

2. SPMV -h

This prints the help file.

Ensure Microsoft® Visual Studio® 2012 or higher is installed.

1.3 Command Line Options

Table 1 lists, and briefly describes, the command line options.

Table 1 Command Line Options

Short Form	Long Form	Description
-h	help	Show all command options and their respective meaning.
-e	verify	Verify results against reference implementation.
-t	timing	Print timing-related statistics.
- ∆	version	AMD APP SDK version string.
-d	deviceId	Select deviceld to be used (0 to N-1, where N is the number of available devices).
-i	iterations	Number of times to repeat each algorithm. The default is 10.
-V	array_view	Use array_view instead of array.

1.4 Array and Array_view

To use array, you must copy the data explicitly to the accelerator; with array_view, this is not necessary.

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2 Introduction

This sample uses the mathematically simple model of a finite difference stencil [1] to compute the two dimensional matrix (the size is 4096 * 4096) by following method.

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

The value of each point is:

centerWeight *centerVal + cardinalWeight *cardinalSum + diagonalWeight * diagonalSum.

The centerWeight, cardinalWeight, and diagonalWeight are three random weights.

For example, the 5 in the table for example, the *centerVal* is 5. The *cardinalSum* is 2+4+8+6 and the *diagonalSum* is 1+3+7+9. Compute each point (except the boundary) by this equation.

The input is a 2D grid (4096*4096). It is subdivided into multiple tiles of 16x16. Each tile is processed by a single thread on the GPU. Each thread computes a value according to the previously described algorithm. Edge positions are handled with special weight values.

3 References

[1] Xie D. "A new block parallel SOR method and its analysis." *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 2006, 27:1513-1533.

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