

# Design and Implementation of MPI-Native GPU-Initiated MPI Partitioned Communication

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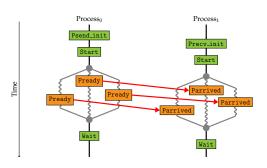
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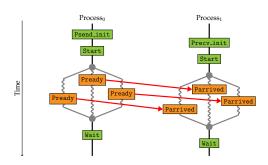


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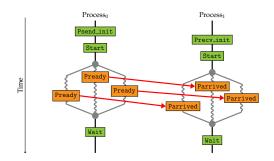


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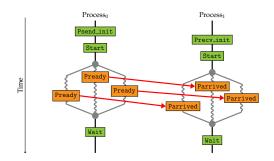


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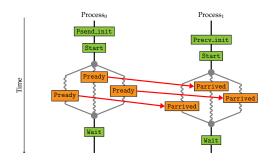


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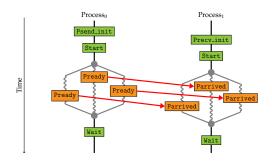


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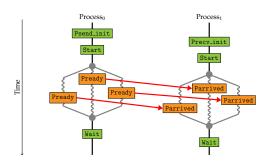


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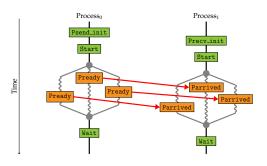


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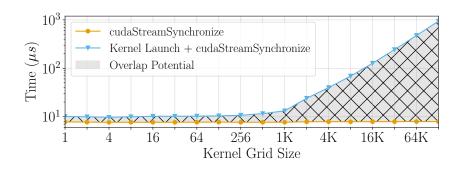
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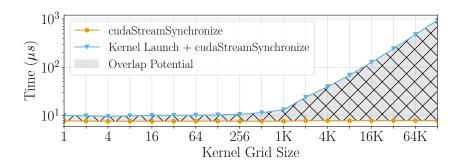
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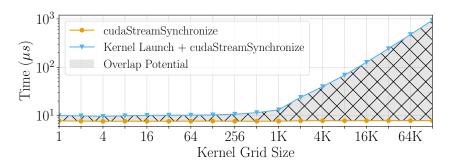
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- ▶ How do we use these API calls?



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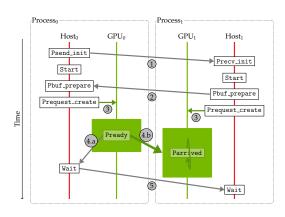


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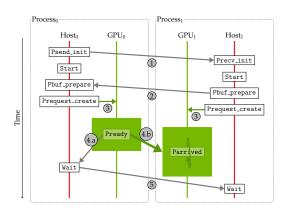
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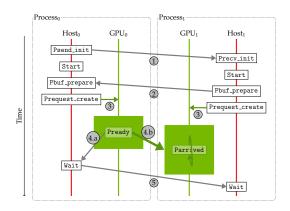
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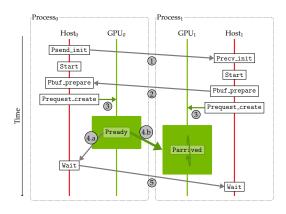


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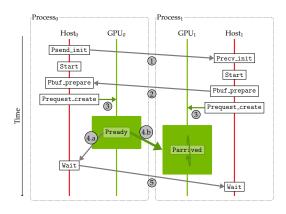


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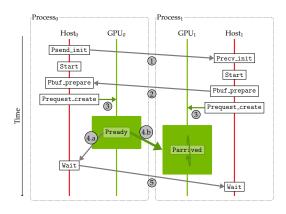


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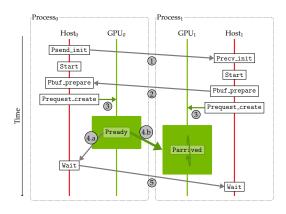


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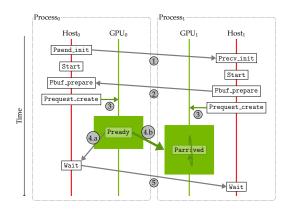


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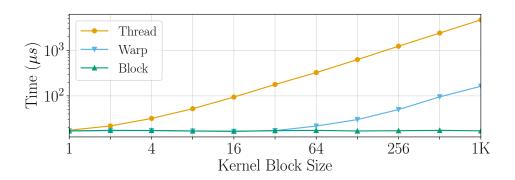
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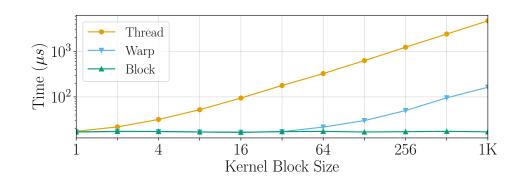
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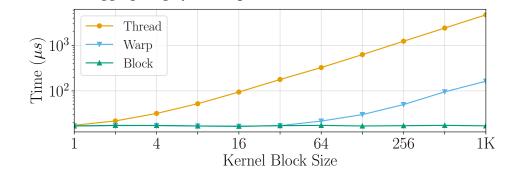
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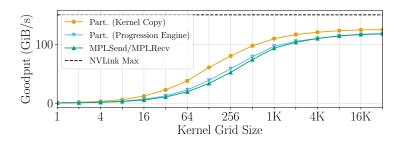
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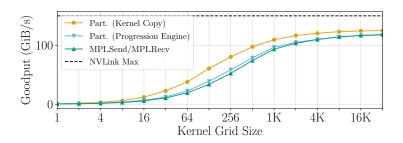
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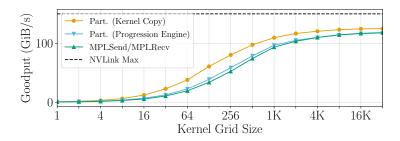
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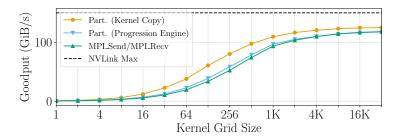
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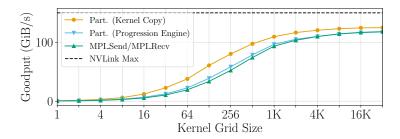
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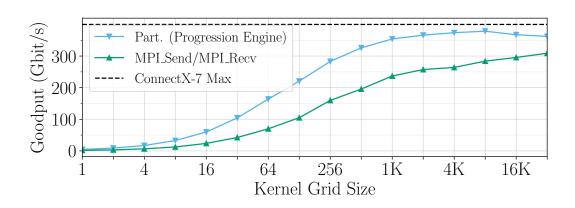


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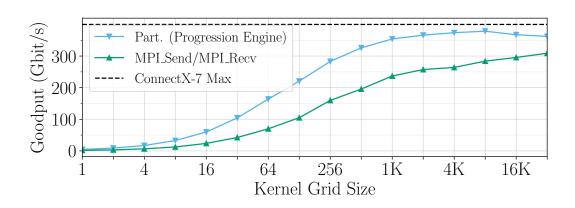


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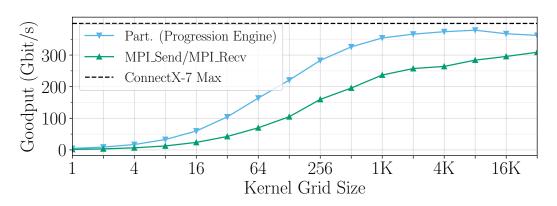


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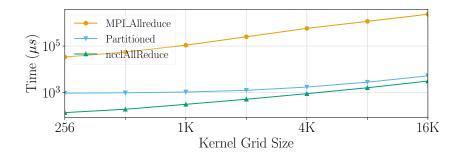


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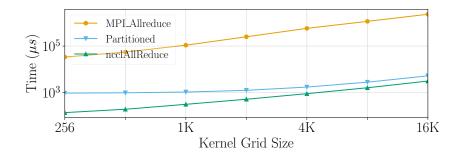


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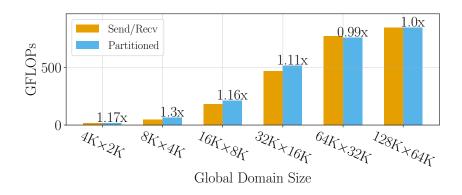


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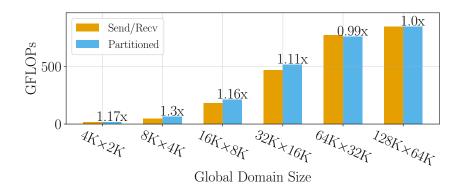


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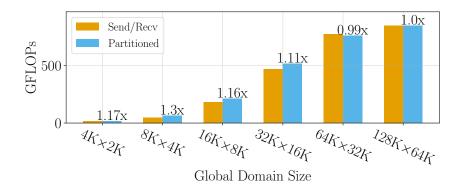


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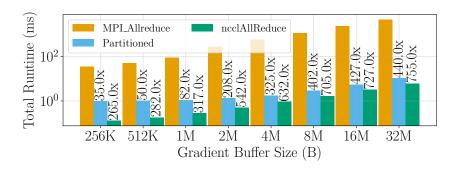


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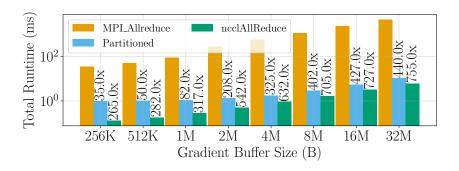


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