pollock:~/Desktop/cs475/proj/PA4/PA4\$ vecMax00 32 32 1280000000

Result: 1280000000.000000 Time to copy input: 0.618775

Compute time: 0.575354

Time to copy output and generate final answer: 0.000043

pollock:~/Desktop/cs475/proj/PA4/PA4\$ vecMax01 32 32 1280000000

Result: 1280000000.000000 Time to copy input: 0.645172

Compute time: 0.300824

Time to copy output and generate final answer: 0.000023

For the input size of 1.28 billion, vecMax01 gets close to a 2x speedup over vecMax00, and although it does not show the GflopsS, it is much higher for vacMax01 since it is exploiting locality better.

pollock:~/Desktop/cs475/proj/PA4/PA4\$ matmult00 100

Data dimensions: 1600x1600 Grid Dimensions: 100x100 Block Dimensions: 16x16 Footprint Dimensions: 16x16

Time: 0.068930 (sec), nFlops: 8192000000, GFlopsS: 118.845359

pollock:~/Desktop/cs475/proj/PA4/PA4\$ matmult01 50

Data dimensions: 1600x1600 Grid Dimensions: 50x50 Block Dimensions: 16x16 Footprint Dimensions: 32x32

Time: 0.012199 (sec), nFlops: 8192000000, GFlopsS: 671.521457

The optimized matmult gets a much better execution time, and a lot more GflopsS because it properly coalesces more memory accesses.

pollock:~/Desktop/cs475/proj/PA4/PA4\$ matmult00 200

Data dimensions: 3200x3200 Grid Dimensions: 200x200 Block Dimensions: 16x16 Footprint Dimensions: 16x16

Time: 0.180826 (sec), nFlops: 65536000000, GFlopsS: 362.425860

pollock:~/Desktop/cs475/proj/PA4/PA4\$ matmult01 100

Data dimensions: 3200x3200 Grid Dimensions: 100x100 Block Dimensions: 16x16 Footprint Dimensions: 32x32

Time: 0.218964 (sec), nFlops: 65536000000, GFlopsS: 299.300531

For this input size, matmult01 falls short. I believe this has to do with the footprint dimensions, because matmult00 did badly on the previous one where the input was 100x the footprint dimension, but I'm not sure what is going on here.

pollock:~/Desktop/cs475/proj/PA4/PA4\$ matmult00 400

Data dimensions: 6400x6400 Grid Dimensions: 400x400 Block Dimensions: 16x16 Footprint Dimensions: 16x16

Time: 0.969880 (sec), nFlops: 524288000000, GFlopsS: 540.569909

pollock:~/Desktop/cs475/proj/PA4/PA4\$ matmult01 200

Data dimensions: 6400x6400 Grid Dimensions: 200x200

Block Dimensions: 16x16 Footprint Dimensions: 32x32

Time: 0.419979 (sec), nFlops: 524288000000, GFlopsS: 1248.367605

Again, matmult is able to execute better with coalescing.

After playing with the block size, it seems that the performance will improve as long as all the shared data for all 3 matrices can fit nicely in shared memory, after that there are errors. Small block sizes don't perform as well because they make more frequent memory accesses.

Some general tips on optimizing CUDA:

Coalesce data for improved locality and memory access.

Make sure that the memory banks don't cause threads to wait sequentially to access an element in shared memory, by messing with the sizes or either blocks, column padding or any other valid method.