Sabancı University

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CS406-531 Parallel Computing / Parallel Processing and Algorithms Fall 2017-2018

Homework 4

Due: 18/12/2017 - 23:00

(One day late submission penalty: -10%)

PLEASE NOTE:

Your program should be a robust one such that you have to consider all relevant programmer mistakes and extreme cases; you are expected to take actions accordingly!

You HAVE TO write down the code on your own.
You CANNOT HELP any friend while coding.
Plagiarism will not be tolerated!

1. Introduction

In this assignment you are going to implement a parallel nearest neighbour algorithm on GPUs using CUDA. The points are assumed to be in a 16-dimensional space and their coordinates are given in *test.txt* and *train.txt* respectively. There are 1000 points in the test file and 19000 points in the train file. You are going to output the nearest neighbours of each test point in a file.

Please note that the report is as important as the implementations, so please be careful to add the following to your report:

- A general explanation of the implementation
- Execution times and speedups
- Tricks for parallelization (scheduling, preprocessing etc.)

Program Flow

You will read two CSV files containing the point coordinates, respectively train and test. Then you are going to calculate the distances of each point in the test file to the points in the train file and find out the nearest neighbour. The distances can be calculated as Euclidean distances (square of the differences)

At the end of the execution you are going to print out the nearest neighbour of each point in the test file to an output file (output.txt). You can use the line numbers as the point index.

Your report will be as important as the implementation itself. A report of at least one page should be submitted with the code, including:

- A general explanation of the implementation
- Execution times, speedups and efficiency etc.
- Tricks done for parallelization (scheduling, preprocessing etc.)
- How you compile & run your program

2. Working on Nebula

After connecting to Nebula, you should (optionally) create a new directory for your homework. To create a new directory for this homework you can use the command mkdir. If you are using Windows, you should first download WinSCP and use that to copy the codes to Nebula.

In your homework you should test your code on graphs under the directory given below

3. Some Remarks

In the grading process three things will be checked:

- Correctness of your implementation
- Speedup and efficiency values
- How well the report is written

The fastest running codes will also get a bonus point.

Please don't forget to submit your code and the report together.

What and where to submit (PLEASE READ, IMPORTANT):

Submissions guidelines are below. Some parts of the grading process are automatic. Students are expected to strictly follow these guidelines in order to have a smooth grading process. If you do not follow these guidelines, depending on the severity of the problem created during the grading process, 5 or more penalty points are to be deducted from the grade.

Name your cpp file that contains your program as follows:

"SUCourseUserName_YourLastname_YourName_HWnumber.cpp"

Your SUCourse user name is actually your SUNet username that is used for checking sabanciuniv emails. Do NOT use any spaces, non-ASCII and Turkish characters in the file name. For example, if your SUCourse user name is cago, name is Çağlayan, and last name is Özbugsızkodyazaroğlu, then the file name must be:

Cago_Ozbugsizkodyazaroglu_Caglayan_hw2.cpp

Do not add any other character or phrase to the file name. Make sure that this file is the latest version of your homework program. Compress this cpp file using WINZIP or WINRAR programs. Please use "zip" compression. "rar" or another compression mechanism is NOT allowed. Please make sure that you also include your report to the compressed file. Our homework processing system works only with zip files. Therefore, make sure that the resulting compressed file has a zip extension. Check that your compressed file opens up correctly and it contains your cpp file.

You will receive no credits if your compressed zip file does not expand or it does not contain the correct file. The naming convention of the zip file is the same as the cpp file (except the extension of the file of course). The name of the zip file should be as follows:

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For example zubzipler_Zipleroglu_Zubeyir_hw1.zip is a valid name, but

hw2_hoz_HasanOz.zip, HasanOzHoz.zip

are **NOT** valid names.

Submit via SUCourse ONLY! You will receive no credits if you submit by other means (e-mail, paper, etc.).

Successful submission is one of the requirements of the homework. If, for some reason, you cannot successfully submit your homework and we cannot grade it, your grade will be 0.

Good Luck!

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