Introduction to CUDA Parallel Programming Homework Assignment 6 Due 2020/05/05

1. Histogram of a data set with exponential distribution

Write a pseudo-random number generator to generate random numbers in $(0,\infty)$ with the exponential distribution $\exp(-x)$, and use it to generate a data set of 81920000 entries. Compare the histograms computed by CPU, GPU with global memory, and GPU with shared memory, as well as their speeds. Plot the histogram, together with the curve of the theoretical probability distribution. Also, to determine the optimal block sizes for this problem.

As usual, your homework report should include your source codes, results, and discussions. The discussion file should be prepared with a typesetting system, e.g., LaTeX, Word, etc., and it is converted to a PDF file. All files should be zipped into one gzipped tar file, with a file name containing your student number and the problem set number (e.g., r05202043_ps6.tar.gz). Please send your homework from your NTU email account to twchiu@phys.ntu.edu.tw before 24:00 of the due date.