Lab4 Report

	serial	cuda_arbitrary_64		cuda_simd_64		cuda_simd_128	
100	real 0m23.280s	real	12m50.065s	real	11m52.915s	real	6m39.084s
	user 0m23.210s	user	9m8.879s	user	8m24.775s	user	4m48.288s
	sys 0m0.005s	sys	3m41.072s	sys	3m27.835s	sys	1m50.606s
1000	real 3m35.259s	real	86m13.806s	real	79m5.248s	real	43m5.448s
	user 3m35.208s	user	61m8.849s	user	55m12.704s	user	29m40.891s
	sys 0m0.010s	sys	25m4.260s	sys	23m51.921s	sys	13m24.193s
5000	real 18m23.693s	more than 2 hr		more than 2 hr		more than 2 hr	
	user 18m23.558s						
	sys 0m0.012s						
10000	real 37m12.130	more than 2 hr		more than 2 hr		more than 2 hr	
	user 37m11.970						
	sys 0m0.026s						

In the lab4, we have two version: arbitrary and SIMD.

First, I find out that CUDA programs run much longer than the serial one. I am not pretty sure about the reason. But I guess that the first thing is read the data from the source file is serial not parallel. And maybe something changed in the transform function.

Second, when I increase the number of threads, there will be a great improvement in performance like

for SIMD PC_data_t00100 from 64 threads (12min) to 128 threads (6min) and for SIMD PC_data_t01000 from 64 threads (79min) to 128 threads (43min). It is nearly half of the time.

Third, when we use SIMD with the same number of threads, there will also be an improvement. And when the data is 100, the improvement is very tiny about 1min. When it comes to data size of 1000, there will be a 7 min promotion.

And due to the time limit, the program of 5000 and 10000 were forced to stop. We can see that it runs so long.