Research Project

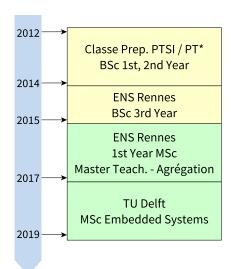
Acceleration of non-rigid image registration with Tensor Cores

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About me

- Jonathan LEVY
- MSc student in Computer Science
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Since September 2019:

GASAL2: GPU-accelerated library for DNA alignment

Languages C/C++ and CUDAAlgorithm Smith-Waterman - optimal alignment for short pair

Goal Speed-up the Burrough-Wheeler Aligner, "BWA" by 1.33x

https://github.com/j-levy/GASAL2

 $\underline{\texttt{https://github.com/j-levy/bwa-gasal2}} \leftarrow \mathsf{private} \ \mathsf{repository}$

 $\texttt{https://jlevy.weblog.tudelft.nl} \leftarrow \mathsf{weekly} \ \mathsf{logs}$

Research Proposal

Acceleration of non-rigid image registration with Tensor Cores

- Image registration: aligning a floating image with a reference.
- Non-rigid: various deformations allowed
- Use Next-gen GPU for acceleration

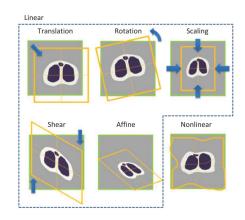


Figure 1: Different types of deformation.

Acceleration with Tensor Cores

Recent NVIDIA GPUs (Volta Architecture)

- Refined scheduler
- New memory scheme
- Tensor Cores

Tensor Cores:

WHAT Matrix-matrix multiplication HOW Mixed precision (precision loss)

WHY Originally, deep learning



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Figure 2: Operation done by a Tensor Core

Could be used to calculate:

- B-Splines (image deformation, quantify smoothness)
- Entropy (quantify similarity)

And other various modern optimizations

Work proposal

Integrate in existing work:

- 4 Accelerate B-Splines calculation using tensor cores
- Accelerate entropy calculation with tensor cores too
- Quantify precision loss
- 4 Allow for precision refining if needed
- Send results for rendering (visual output)

Why Japan?

ENS Rennes: French state school teachers and researchers

Yet: few incentives to go abroad!!

- Japan: leading role in HPC
- Strengthen the bonds across institutions
- Personal interest /

Contacted 2 laboratories:



Pr. Rio YOKOTA



Helped defining the project.