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Google Collab Source Code: [Link](#)**I. C++ version of the Kernel**

- A. The C++ version of the kernel takes in the same parameter structure as the CUDA kernel. The whole parameter structure is implemented below:

```
struct GaussianParams{
    int width;
    int height;
    int radius;
    float std_dev;

    float* in_r;
    float* in_g;
    float* in_b;

    float* out_r;
    float* out_g;
    float* out_b;
};
```

This structure takes in the image's dimensions, the Gaussian function parameters radius and standard deviation, the input image's color data split into 3 arrays for the R, G, and B channels, and the 3 arrays for the output color split in a similar way.

- B. The main operation of the Gaussian function is the ComputeWeight function. Its corresponding C++ implementation is found below:

```
float ComputeWeight(float center_x, float center_y, float curr_x, float curr_y, float std_dev){
    float x = center_x - curr_x;
    float y = center_y - curr_y;

    float x2 = x*x;
    float y2 = y*y;
    float std2 = std_dev*std_dev;

    float e_pow = (x2 + y2) / (2* std2) * -1;
    float e = std::exp(e_pow);

    float frac = 1 / (std::sqrt(2 * M_PI * std2));

    return frac * e;
}
```

- C. The Gaussian function implementation loops through all of the pixels of the input image passed through the input structure.

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```
void GaussianBlur(GaussianParams *g_param){
    std::cout << "Image dimensions: " << g_param->width << "x" << g_param->height << std::endl;

    for (int curr_y = 0; curr_y < g_param->height; ++curr_y) {
        for (int curr_x = 0; curr_x < g_param->width; ++curr_x) {
```

After, it checks if adding in the radius will make the function access invalid pixels or locations such as the corners and edges. It does this by running the following lines to clamp the boundary window.

```
float minX = std::max(curr_x - g_param->radius, 0);
float maxX = std::min(curr_x + g_param->radius, g_param->width);

float minY = std::max(curr_y - g_param->radius, 0);
float maxY = std::min(curr_y + g_param->radius, g_param->height);
```

It will then loop through the given range, getting the weight of each pixel using the function above and multiplying said weight to the color of the pixel.

```
//Compute for the summation of colors here
for(int y = minY; y < maxY; y++){
    for(int x = minX; x < maxX; x++){
        float weight = ComputeWeight(curr_x, curr_y, x, y, g_param->std_dev);
        int curr_index = y * g_param->width + x;

        totR += g_param->in_r[curr_index] * weight;
        totG += g_param->in_g[curr_index] * weight;
        totB += g_param->in_b[curr_index] * weight;

        //For normalization later
        baseMax += 1.f * weight;
    }
}
```

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Finally, we normalize the resulting colors and assign them to the respective output pixel.

```
//Normalize the colors here
float ceilVal = 1.f / baseMax;

totR *= ceilVal;
totG *= ceilVal;
totB *= ceilVal;
///////////////////////

g_param->out_r[index] = totR;
g_param->out_g[index] = totG;
g_param->out_b[index] = totB;
```

II. CUDA Kernel

- a. **Grid-Stride Loop:** The pure version without prefetching or page-creation optimizations. The goal of this baseline is to establish a clear performance and correctness reference before applying more advanced optimizations. The base GSL kernel assigns each thread an index, and that thread processes multiple pixels by incrementing by the number of active threads. There are no optimizations yet, no shared memory, no prefetch, no caching tricks. It directly loads from global memory for every neighbor pixel, computes Gaussian weights, accumulates RGB values, and normalizes. The Grid-Stride Loop pattern makes our kernel scalable. Instead of having each thread process just one pixel, every thread loops through the image with a fixed stride. This ensures high occupancy and makes the kernel independent of image dimensions.

The image below shows the core of the GSL. The kernel computes the global index of each thread and then loops across the image using a constant stride equal to the total number of threads. Each thread starts at its unique index and processes every stride-th pixel. This ensures scalability regardless of image size. No matter the resolution, 512, 1024, or 2048, the kernel remains stable and evenly balanced:

```
int index = blockIdx.x * blockDim.x + threadIdx.x;
int stride = blockDim.x * gridDim.x;
int pixelCount = g_param->width * g_param->height;

for (int i = index; i < pixelCount; i += stride){
```

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The image below shows the Gaussian function implemented on the GPU. It requires computing the exponential for every neighbor pixel. Because we're using no precomputed kernel and no caching, this baseline version performs many redundant operations, which later optimizations will aim to reduce:

```
float e_pow = (x*x + y*y) / (2.0f * std_dev * std_dev) * -1.0f;
float e = expf(e_pow);
float frac = 1.0f / sqrtf(2.0f * M_PI_F * (std_dev * std_dev));

return frac * e;
```

The image below shows the brute-force convolution. For each pixel, we traverse all neighbors within the radius. Every RGB channel is fetched from global memory every loop iteration. This is the main performance bottleneck and the reason prefetching and page creation will later provide speedups:

```
for (int y = minY; y < maxY; y++){
    for (int x = minX; x < maxX; x++){
        float weight = ComputeWeight(curr_x, curr_y, (float)x, (float)y, g_param->std_dev);
        int idx = y * g_param->width + x;

        totR += g_param->in_r[idx] * weight;
        totG += g_param->in_g[idx] * weight;
        totB += g_param->in_b[idx] * weight;

        baseMax += weight;
    }
}
```

The image below shows our boundary handling. We clamp the window so threads never read outside the image, avoiding invalid memory accesses:

```
int minX = max(curr_x - g_param->radius, 0);
int maxX = min(curr_x + g_param->radius + 1, g_param->width);

int minY = max(curr_y - g_param->radius, 0);
int maxY = min(curr_y + g_param->radius + 1, g_param->height);
```

The image below shows how we performed normalization. After summing weighted values, we divide by the total weight to normalize the pixel. This ensures the pixel remains within a valid intensity range and preserves color correctness. This part is crucial in validating the result later using RMSE comparisons:

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```

if (baseMax > 1e-6f) {
    float ceilVal = 1.0f / baseMax;
    g_param->out_r[i] = totR * ceilVal;
    g_param->out_g[i] = totG * ceilVal;
    g_param->out_b[i] = totB * ceilVal;
} else {
    g_param->out_r[i] = g_param->in_r[i];
    g_param->out_g[i] = g_param->in_g[i];
    g_param->out_b[i] = g_param->in_b[i];
}

```

Lastly, the image below shows our validation. To ensure correctness, we compare the GPU output against a reference CPU image using RMSE. This gives us a numeric measure of accuracy. This baseline implementation is essential because all further optimizations must match its output while improving performance:

```

cv::Mat compImage = cv::imread(compPath, cv::IMREAD_COLOR);
cv::Mat outputImage = cv::imread("512x512_outputImage_cuda_a.jpg", cv::IMREAD_COLOR);

std::cout << "Validation from image" << std::endl;
auto rmse = RSME(gaussianParams, compImage);
std::cout << "RMSE from image: " << rmse << std::endl;

std::cout << "Validation from file" << std::endl;
auto rmse2 = RSME_FromFile(gaussianParams, "output512.csv");
std::cout << "RMSE from file " << rmse2 << std::endl;

```

b. Grid-Stride Loop with Prefetch

This implementation introduces the use of Data Prefetching. The features are the same as those in the GSL implementation, except for the use of `cudaMemPrefetchAsync`, which tells the CUDA runtime to move the `gaussianParams` to memory space asynchronously.

The image below is a code snippet of the prefetch data from CPU-GPU i that executes before the kernel launch, which prepares the data for the device.

```

// Prefetch data from CPU-GPU
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->in_r, array_byte_size, device, NULL);
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->in_g, array_byte_size, device, NULL);
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->in_b, array_byte_size, device, NULL);

```

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The image below is a code snippet of the prefetch data from GPU to CPU that prepares the output data for the host and validation functions.

```
// Prefetch data from GPU-CPU
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->out_r, array_byte_size, cudaCpuDeviceId, NULL);
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->out_g, array_byte_size, cudaCpuDeviceId, NULL);
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->out_b, array_byte_size, cudaCpuDeviceId, NULL);
```

c. Grid-Stride Loop with Prefetch and Page Creation

With Page Creation, we are reducing the CPU and GPU page faults by prefetching blank data from both the CPU and GPU page memories. This implementation appends the GSL + Prefetch Kernel, and similar to Prefetch, it uses the CUDA instruction: `cudaMemPrefetchAsync`. We perform this to our parameters in the `gaussianParams` class object.

The image below is a code snippet of prefetching blank data from both CPU and GPU page memories.

```
// Page Creation
// "prefetch data" to create CPU page memory
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->in_r, array_byte_size, cudaCpuDeviceId, NULL);
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->in_g, array_byte_size, cudaCpuDeviceId, NULL);
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->in_b, array_byte_size, cudaCpuDeviceId, NULL);

// "prefetch data" to create GPU page memory
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->out_r, array_byte_size, device, NULL);
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->out_g, array_byte_size, device, NULL);
cudaMemPrefetchAsync(gaussianParams->out_b, array_byte_size, device, NULL);
```

d. Grid-Stride Loop with Prefetch, Page Creation, and Memory Advise

With Memory Advise, we are further reducing the CPU and GPU page faults by advising CUDA with the memory pointer. This implementation appends the GSL, Prefetch, and Page Creation Kernel. It uses the CUDA instruction: `cudaMemAdvise`. We perform this to our “in” parameters in the `gaussianParams` class object.

The image below is a code snippet where the `cudaMemAdvice` is implemented.

```
// Memory Advise
cudaMemAdvise(gaussianParams->in_r, array_byte_size, cudaMemAdviseSetPreferredLocation, cudaCpuDeviceId);
cudaMemAdvise(gaussianParams->in_r, array_byte_size, cudaMemAdviseSetReadMostly, cudaCpuDeviceId);
cudaMemAdvise(gaussianParams->in_g, array_byte_size, cudaMemAdviseSetPreferredLocation, cudaCpuDeviceId);
cudaMemAdvise(gaussianParams->in_g, array_byte_size, cudaMemAdviseSetReadMostly, cudaCpuDeviceId);
cudaMemAdvise(gaussianParams->in_b, array_byte_size, cudaMemAdviseSetPreferredLocation, cudaCpuDeviceId);
cudaMemAdvise(gaussianParams->in_b, array_byte_size, cudaMemAdviseSetReadMostly, cudaCpuDeviceId);
```

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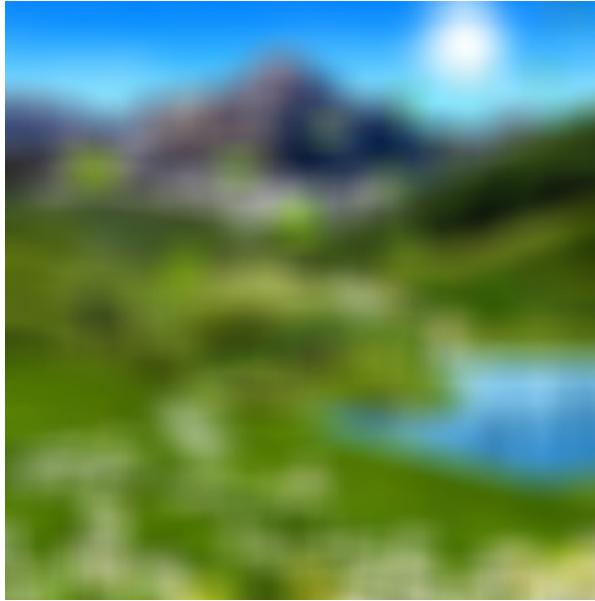
- Tallied the results for the versions above.

- Sample Output:

- Gaussian Blur Parameters:

- Radius: 20

- Standard Deviation: 20

| Original Image (e.g., 512 x 512) | Processed Image (e.g., 512 x 512) |
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|  |  |

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C++ Kernel Execution

- C++ Kernel Execution (512 x 512):

```
Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 512x512
Array size: 1048576
Initial Time Elapsed: 0 ms
Will Process Image
Image dimensions: 512x512
Run 0 Execution Time: 11955.1 ms
Donee Process Image
C Kernel output written to: output512.csv
Image Saved
Average Execution Time (10 Runs): 11955.1 ms
```

- C++ Kernel Execution (1024 x 1024):

```
Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 1024x1024
Array size: 4194304
Initial Time Elapsed: 0 ms
Will Process Image
Image dimensions: 1024x1024
Run 0 Execution Time: 50536.7 ms
Donee Process Image
C Kernel output written to: output1024.csv
Image Saved
Average Execution Time (10 Runs): 50536.7 ms
```

- C++ Kernel Execution (2048 x 2048):

```
Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 2048x2048
Array size: 16777216
Initial Time Elapsed: 0 ms
Will Process Image
Image dimensions: 2048x2048
Run 0 Execution Time: 202619 ms
Donee Process Image
C Kernel output written to: output2048.csv
Image Saved
Average Execution Time (10 Runs): 202619 ms
```

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CUDA GSL Execution

- GSL Execution (512 x 512):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 512x512
Will Process Image
Finished processing.
512x512_outputImage.jpg saved.
Validation from image
MSE: 2.3412e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00483859
Validation from file
MSE: 1.06483e-05
RMSE from file 0.00326317
==27095== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==27095== Profiling result:
      Type  Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max  Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 77.234ms       10  7.7234ms  7.6210ms  8.5657ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
      API calls:  58.59% 110.47ms        7  15.781ms  2.4390us 110.38ms cudaMallocManaged
                  40.92% 77.147ms        1  77.147ms  77.147ms  77.147ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
                  0.25% 475.17us        7  67.881us  10.530us 105.33us cudaFree
                  0.15% 288.24us       10  28.823us  5.0800us 188.20us cudaLaunchKernel
                  0.08% 146.38us      114  1.2840us  102ns   63.660us cuDeviceGetAttribute
                  0.01% 12.165us       1  12.165us  12.165us 12.165us cuDeviceGetName
                  0.00% 5.4110us       1  5.4110us  5.4110us 5.4110us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
                  0.00% 1.4640us        3   488ns   135ns  1.0790us cuDeviceGetCount
                  0.00% 841ns          2   420ns   206ns   635ns cuDeviceGet
                  0.00% 600ns          1   600ns   600ns   600ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
                  0.00% 587ns          1   587ns   587ns   587ns cuDeviceTotalMem
                  0.00% 465ns          1   465ns   465ns   465ns cudaGetLastError
                  0.00% 216ns          1   216ns   216ns   216ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==27095== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count  Avg Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
          37  110.70KB  4.0000KB  0.9961MB  4.000000MB  441.0130us  Host To Device
          31  101.16KB  4.0000KB  512.00KB  3.062500MB  302.5540us  Device To Host
          24      -        -        -        -           -  2.066576ms  Gpu page fault groups
Total CPU Page faults: 30

```

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- GSL Execution (1024 x 1024):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 1024x1024
Will Process Image
Finished processing.
1024x1024_outputImage.jpg saved.
Validation from image
MSE: 1.5554e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00394385
Validation from file
MSE: 4.27375e-06
RMSE from file 0.00206731
==26027== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==26027== Profiling result:
      Type  Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg       Min       Max  Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 245.84ms      10  24.584ms  14.735ms  32.704ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
    API calls:  70.13% 245.84ms      1   245.84ms  245.84ms  245.84ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
               29.42% 103.14ms       7  14.735ms  10.296us  103.03ms cudaMallocManaged
               0.34% 1.1788ms       7  168.40us  76.044us  255.89us cudaFree
               0.06% 211.97us      10  21.196us  3.4660us  174.49us cudaLaunchKernel
               0.04% 143.74us     114  1.2600us  104ns   60.822us cuDeviceGetAttribute
               0.00% 14.293us      1  14.293us  14.293us  14.293us cuDeviceGetName
               0.00% 4.8830us      1  4.8830us  4.8830us  4.8830us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
               0.00% 1.2890us      3   429ns   122ns   901ns cuDeviceGetCount
               0.00%   814ns       2   407ns   165ns   649ns cuDeviceGet
               0.00%   517ns       1   517ns   517ns   517ns cuDeviceTotalMem
               0.00%   515ns       1   515ns   515ns   515ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
               0.00%   448ns       1   448ns   448ns   448ns cudaGetLastError
               0.00%   256ns       1   256ns   256ns   256ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==26027== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count  Avg Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
        74  166.92KB  4.0000KB  0.9961MB  12.06250MB  1.239462ms Host To Device
        74  166.92KB  4.0000KB  0.9961MB  12.06250MB  1.084800ms Device To Host
        46      -        -        -        -        -  5.250723ms Gpu page fault groups
Total CPU Page faults: 74

```

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- GSL Execution (2048 x 2048):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 2048x2048
Will Process Image
Finished processing.
2048x2048_outputImage_cuda_a.jpg saved.
Validation from image
MSE: 1.35444e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00368026
Validation from file
MSE: 2.09942e-06
RMSE from file 0.00144894
==23876== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==23876== Profiling result:
      Type  Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max  Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 711.45ms      10  71.145ms  60.339ms 131.66ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
    API calls:   85.93% 711.41ms      1   711.41ms  711.41ms 711.41ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
               13.34% 110.42ms       7  15.774ms  8.0620us 110.25ms cudaMallocManaged
               0.68% 5.6263ms       7  803.76us  91.580us 1.0365ms cudaFree
               0.03% 259.95us      10  25.994us  5.3040us 203.56us cudaLaunchKernel
               0.02% 145.22us     114  1.2730us   106ns  64.089us cuDeviceGetAttribute
               0.00% 14.255us       1  14.255us  14.255us 14.255us cuDeviceGetName
               0.00% 5.1980us       1  5.1980us  5.1980us 5.1980us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
               0.00% 1.6700us       3   556ns   208ns 1.1870us cuDeviceGetCount
               0.00% 848ns          2   424ns   212ns  636ns cuDeviceGet
               0.00% 699ns          1   699ns   699ns  699ns cuDeviceTotalMem
               0.00% 513ns          1   513ns   513ns  513ns cudaGetLastError
               0.00% 348ns          1   348ns   348ns  348ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
               0.00% 281ns          1   281ns   281ns  281ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==23876== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
  Count  Avg Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
    299  164.60KB  4.0000KB  0.9961MB  48.06250MB  4.972040ms Host To Device
    290  169.71KB  4.0000KB  0.9961MB  48.06250MB  4.291386ms Device To Host
    183      -        -        -        -           - 21.00900ms Gpu page fault groups
Total CPU Page faults: 290

```

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CUDA GSL with Prefetch Execution

- CUDA GSL - Prefetch Execution (512 x 512):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 512x512
Array size: 1048576
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 2.3412e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00483859
Validation from file
MSE: 1.06483e-05
RMSE from file 0.00326317
==23637== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==23637== Profiling result:
      Type    Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max   Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 77.206ms      10  7.7206ms  7.6546ms  8.2211ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
      API calls:  55.84% 100.52ms       7  14.360ms  2.4640us 100.41ms cudaMallocManaged
                  42.84% 77.108ms       1  77.108ms  77.108ms  77.108ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
                  0.73% 1.3060ms        8 163.25us  60.170us 487.48us cudaMemPrefetchAsync
                  0.30% 548.49us        7  78.355us 14.221us 113.37us cudaFree
                  0.19% 349.79us       10 34.979us  5.2060us 236.64us cudaLaunchKernel
                  0.08% 149.70us      114 1.3130us  102ns  66.655us cuDeviceGetAttribute
                  0.01% 12.562us        1 12.562us  12.562us 12.562us cuDeviceGetName
                  0.00% 6.1240us        1  6.1240us  6.1240us 6.1240us cudaGetDevice
                  0.00% 4.8690us        1  4.8690us  4.8690us 4.8690us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
                  0.00% 1.6070us        3   535ns  133ns 1.1640us cuDeviceGetCount
                  0.00% 843ns          2   421ns  182ns  661ns cuDeviceGet
                  0.00% 564ns          1   564ns  564ns  564ns cudaGetLastError
                  0.00% 517ns          1   517ns  517ns  517ns cuDeviceTotalMem
                  0.00% 322ns          1   322ns  322ns  322ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
                  0.00% 278ns          1   278ns  278ns  278ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==23637== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count    Avg    Size   Min Size   Max Size   Total Size   Total Time   Name
      21  244.19KB 4.0000KB 1.0039MB 5.007813MB 482.6440us Host To Device
       7  586.86KB 4.0000KB 1.0000MB 4.011719MB 330.6160us Device To Host
      22      -      -      -      -      - 1.760440ms Gpu page fault groups
Total CPU Page faults: 17

```

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- CUDA GSL - Prefetch Execution (1024 x 1024):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 1024x1024
Array size: 4194304
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 1.5554e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00394385
Validation from file
MSE: 4.27375e-06
RMSE from file 0.00206731
==23432== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==23432== Profiling result:
      Type  Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max  Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 248.67ms      10  24.867ms  21.502ms  32.184ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
    API calls:  70.31% 248.59ms       1  248.59ms  248.59ms  248.59ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
               27.86% 98.508ms        7  14.073ms  8.7820us  98.394ms cudaMallocManaged
               0.85% 3.0022ms       10  300.22us  5.3220us  2.8979ms cudaLaunchKernel
               0.66% 2.3187ms        8  289.84us  6.4600us  544.67us cudaMemPrefetchAsync
               0.27% 942.07us        7  134.58us  55.213us  201.18us cudaFree
               0.05% 178.88us       114  1.5690us  106ns   93.179us cuDeviceGetAttribute
               0.00% 12.233us        1  12.233us  12.233us  12.233us cuDeviceGetName
               0.00% 5.6870us        1  5.6870us  5.6870us  5.6870us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
               0.00% 4.3200us       1  4.3200us  4.3200us  4.3200us cudaGetDevice
               0.00% 1.7080us        3   569ns   120ns   1.2680us cuDeviceGetCount
               0.00% 645ns          2   322ns   235ns   410ns   cuDeviceGet
               0.00% 594ns          1   594ns   594ns   594ns   cuDeviceTotalMem
               0.00% 549ns          1   549ns   549ns   549ns   cudaGetLastError
               0.00% 449ns          1   449ns   449ns   449ns   cuModuleGetLoadingMode
               0.00% 335ns          1   335ns   335ns   335ns   cuDeviceGetUuid

==23432== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count  Avg Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
         9  1.3407MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  12.06641MB  1.062568ms Host To Device
         8  1.5010MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  12.00781MB  967.4990us Device To Host
        24  -          -          -          -          -  3.009018ms Gpu page fault groups
Total CPU Page faults: 38

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- CUDA GSL - Prefetch Execution (2048 x 2048):

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Image dimensions: 2048x2048
Array size: 16777216
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 1.35444e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00368026
Validation from file
MSE: 2.09942e-06
RMSE from file 0.00144894
==23213== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==23213== Profiling result:
      Type  Time(%)       Time     Calls      Avg      Min      Max   Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 715.01ms      10  71.501ms  61.791ms 124.85ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
      API calls:  86.06% 714.97ms      1   714.97ms  714.97ms 714.97ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
          12.16% 101.05ms      7   14.436ms  8.7370us 100.92ms cudaMallocManaged
          0.64% 5.3091ms      8   663.63us  7.1050us 1.4764ms cudaMemPrefetchAsync
          0.62% 5.1540ms      7   736.28us  135.00us 2.2917ms cudaFree
          0.50% 4.1673ms      10  416.73us  5.5630us 4.1098ms cudaLaunchKernel
          0.02% 139.88us    114  1.2260us  105ns 53.161us cuDeviceGetAttribute
          0.00% 13.198us      1   13.198us  13.198us 13.198us cuDeviceGetName
          0.00% 5.7770us      1   5.7770us  5.7770us 5.7770us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
          0.00% 5.1130us      1   5.1130us  5.1130us 5.1130us cudaGetDevice
          0.00% 1.2930us      3    431ns   119ns   828ns cuDeviceGetCount
          0.00% 1.1290us      2    564ns   240ns   889ns cuDeviceGet
          0.00% 629ns        1    629ns   629ns   629ns cuDeviceTotalMem
          0.00% 422ns        1    422ns   422ns   422ns cudaGetLastError
          0.00% 394ns        1    394ns   394ns   394ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
          0.00% 263ns        1    263ns   263ns   263ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==23213== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count  Avg Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
      27  1.7802MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  48.06641MB  4.193978ms Host To Device
      26  1.8465MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  48.00781MB  3.852323ms Device To Host
      96  -          -          -          -          - 7.435883ms Gpu page fault groups

Total CPU Page faults: 146

```

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CUDA GSL with Prefetch and Page Creation Execution

- CUDA GSL - Prefetch and Page Creation (512 x 512):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 512x512
Array size: 1048576
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 2.3412e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00483859
Validation from file
MSE: 1.06483e-05
RMSE from file 0.00326317
==6459== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==6459== Profiling result:
      Type    Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max   Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 76.603ms      10  7.6603ms  7.6464ms  7.6750ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
      API calls:  62.22% 136.11ms      7   19.444ms  2.4650us 135.99ms cudaMallocManaged
                  35.01% 76.580ms       1   76.580ms  76.580ms  76.580ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
                  1.06% 2.3100ms      16  144.38us  3.3200us  1.0298ms cudaMemPrefetchAsync
                  0.76% 1.6634ms       7  237.63us  15.645us  1.2151ms cudaFree
                  0.45% 986.65us       1  986.65us  986.65us  986.65us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
                  0.41% 906.40us       10  90.639us  3.5980us  868.38us cudaLaunchKernel
                  0.07% 158.53us      114  1.3900us  123ns  57.859us cuDeviceGetAttribute
                  0.01% 19.533us        3  6.5110us  157ns  19.151us cuDeviceGetCount
                  0.01% 13.124us        1  13.124us  13.124us  13.124us cuDeviceTotalMem
                  0.01% 11.898us        1  11.898us  11.898us  11.898us cuDeviceGetName
                  0.00% 6.2800us        1  6.2800us  6.2800us  6.2800us cudaGetDevice
                  0.00% 1.3260us        2   663ns   168ns  1.1580us cuDeviceGet
                  0.00% 585ns          1   585ns   585ns  585ns  cuModuleGetLoadingMode
                  0.00% 302ns          1   302ns   302ns  302ns  cudaGetLastError
                  0.00% 246ns          1   246ns   246ns  246ns  cuDeviceGetUuid

==6459== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count  Avg  Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
          5  616.00KB  4.0000KB  1.0000MB  3.007813MB  273.1130us  Host To Device
          5  616.00KB  4.0000KB  1.0000MB  3.007813MB  247.3850us  Device To Host
Total CPU Page faults: 16

```

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- CUDA GSL - Prefetch and Page Creation (1024 x 1024):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 1024x1024
Array size: 4194304
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 1.5554e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00394385
Validation from file
MSE: 4.27375e-06
RMSE from file 0.00206731
==6895== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==6895== Profiling result:
      Type  Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max   Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 238.50ms      10  23.850ms  15.059ms 30.348ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
      API calls:  67.57% 238.48ms       1  238.48ms 238.48ms 238.48ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
                 31.13% 109.86ms       7  15.694ms  9.3190us 109.73ms cudaMallocManaged
                 0.51% 1.8139ms      16  113.37us  3.1020us 461.07us cudaMemPrefetchAsync
                 0.49% 1.7176ms      10  171.76us  3.4530us 1.6794ms cudaLaunchKernel
                 0.25% 888.35us       7  126.91us  52.635us 220.61us cudaFree
                 0.04% 153.69us     114  1.3480us  106ns 70.529us cuDeviceGetAttribute
                 0.00% 13.189us       1  13.189us  13.189us 13.189us cuDeviceGetName
                 0.00% 5.6820us       1  5.6820us  5.6820us 5.6820us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
                 0.00% 5.0290us       1  5.0290us  5.0290us 5.0290us cudaGetDevice
                 0.00% 1.5840us       3   528ns   112ns 1.1710us cuDeviceGetCount
                 0.00% 962ns          2   481ns   197ns 765ns cuDeviceGet
                 0.00% 763ns          1   763ns   763ns 763ns cuDeviceTotalMem
                 0.00% 599ns          1   599ns   599ns 599ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
                 0.00% 406ns          1   406ns   406ns 406ns cudaGetLastError
                 0.00% 334ns          1   334ns   334ns 334ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==6895== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count  Avg Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
          8  1.5010MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  12.00781MB  1.058950ms Host To Device
          8  1.5010MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  12.00781MB  965.3220us Device To Host
Total CPU Page faults: 38

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- CUDA GSL - Prefetch and Page Creation (2048 x 2048):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 2048x2048
Array size: 16777216
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 1.35444e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00368026
Validation from file
MSE: 2.09942e-06
RMSE from file 0.00144894
==7234== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==7234== Profiling result:
      Type    Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max   Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 702.13ms       10  70.213ms  60.632ms 121.42ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
      API calls:  82.23% 702.01ms        1  702.01ms  702.01ms 702.01ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
                  15.77% 134.65ms        7  19.236ms  11.059us 134.44ms cudaMallocManaged
                  0.75% 6.4070ms       16  400.44us  3.9640us 1.7541ms cudaMemPrefetchAsync
                  0.74% 6.2892ms       10  628.92us  5.2030us 6.1534ms cudaLaunchKernel
                  0.49% 4.1806ms        7  597.23us  163.90us 1.9132ms cudaFree
                  0.02% 178.65us      114  1.5670us  148ns 69.705us cuDeviceGetAttribute
                  0.00% 15.329us       1  15.329us  15.329us 15.329us cuDeviceGetName
                  0.00% 6.9400us       1  6.9400us  6.9400us 6.9400us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
                  0.00% 5.9070us       1  5.9070us  5.9070us 5.9070us cudaGetDevice
                  0.00% 1.9920us       3   664ns   233ns 1.4850us cuDeviceGetCount
                  0.00% 790ns          2   395ns   220ns 570ns cuDeviceGet
                  0.00% 710ns          1   710ns   710ns 710ns cuDeviceTotalMem
                  0.00% 489ns          1   489ns   489ns 489ns cudaGetLastError
                  0.00% 446ns          1   446ns   446ns 446ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
                  0.00% 354ns          1   354ns   354ns 354ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==7234== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count  Avg Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
      28  1.7168MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  48.07031MB  4.193435ms Host To Device
      27  1.7782MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  48.01172MB  3.854532ms Device To Host
      1   -          -          -          -          -  81.43800us Gpu page fault groups
Total CPU Page faults: 147

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CUDA GSL with Prefetch, Page Creation, and Memory Advise Execution

- CUDA GSL - Prefetch, Page Creation, and MemAdvise (512 x 512):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 512x512
Array size: 1048576
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 2.3412e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00483859
Validation from file
MSE: 1.06483e-05
RMSE from file 0.00326317
==8125== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==8125== Profiling result:
      Type    Time(%)     Time   Calls     Avg      Min      Max   Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 76.607ms      10  7.6607ms  7.6558ms  7.6680ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
      API calls:  57.41% 107.74ms       7  15.392ms  2.4250us  107.62ms cudaMallocManaged
        40.81% 76.592ms       1  76.592ms  76.592ms  76.592ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
        0.70% 1.3136ms      16  82.098us  3.1080us  543.20us cudaMemPrefetchAsync
        0.45% 838.78us      10  83.878us  3.2930us  801.37us cudaLaunchKernel
        0.35% 649.88us       7  92.840us  14.455us  191.16us cudaFree
        0.17% 326.45us       8  40.806us  12.243us  70.910us cudaMemAdvise
        0.09% 169.98us      114 1.4910us   108ns  61.512us cuDeviceGetAttribute
        0.01% 14.119us       1  14.119us  14.119us  14.119us cuDeviceGetName
        0.00% 5.4720us       1  5.4720us  5.4720us  5.4720us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
        0.00% 2.4500us       1  2.4500us  2.4500us  2.4500us cudaGetDevice
        0.00% 1.4860us       3   495ns   134ns  1.0810us cuDeviceGetCount
        0.00% 831ns          2   415ns   146ns  685ns  cuDeviceGet
        0.00% 636ns          1   636ns   636ns  636ns  cuDeviceTotalMem
        0.00% 538ns          1   538ns   538ns  538ns  cuModuleGetLoadingMode
        0.00% 433ns          1   433ns   433ns  433ns  cudaGetLastError
        0.00% 290ns          1   290ns   290ns  290ns  cuDeviceGetUuid

==8125== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count   Avg   Size   Min Size   Max Size   Total Size   Total Time   Name
        4  769.00KB  4.0000KB  1.0000MB  3.003906MB  272.0260us  Host To Device
        3 1.0000MB  1.0000MB  1.0000MB  3.000000MB  243.8020us  Device To Host
Total CPU Page faults: 15

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- CUDA GSL - Prefetch, Page Creation, and MemAdvise (1024 x 1024):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 1024x1024
Array size: 4194304
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 1.5554e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00394385
Validation from file
MSE: 4.27375e-06
RMSE from file 0.00206731
==8602== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==8602== Profiling result:
      Type  Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max   Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 235.24ms      10  23.524ms  15.063ms  30.329ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
      API calls:  62.48% 235.20ms       1  235.20ms  235.20ms  235.20ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
            35.68% 134.31ms       7  19.187ms  13.120us  134.14ms cudaMallocManaged
            0.63% 2.3732ms      16  148.32us  3.9750us  560.14us cudaMemPrefetchAsync
            0.42% 1.5952ms       7  227.89us  170.87us  340.79us cudaFree
            0.38% 1.4451ms       8  180.63us  17.576us  406.77us cudaMemAdvise
            0.36% 1.3364ms      10  133.64us  5.4740us  1.2773ms cudaLaunchKernel
            0.04% 147.18us     114  1.2910us  106ns  57.741us cuDeviceGetAttribute
            0.00% 14.517us       1  14.517us  14.517us  14.517us cuDeviceGetName
            0.00% 7.5870us       1  7.5870us  7.5870us  7.5870us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
            0.00% 6.2540us       1  6.2540us  6.2540us  6.2540us cudaGetDevice
            0.00% 1.3380us       3   446ns   134ns  935ns cuDeviceGetCount
            0.00% 1.1060us       2   553ns   230ns  876ns cuDeviceGet
            0.00% 575ns          1   575ns   575ns  575ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
            0.00% 545ns          1   545ns   545ns  545ns cudaGetLastError
            0.00% 416ns          1   416ns   416ns  416ns cuDeviceTotalMem
            0.00% 299ns          1   299ns   299ns  299ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==8602== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count  Avg Size  Min Size  Max Size  Total Size  Total Time  Name
           7  1.7148MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  12.00391MB  1.049413ms Host To Device
           6  2.0000MB  2.0000MB  2.0000MB  12.00000MB  962.2810us Device To Host
Total CPU Page faults: 37

```

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- CUDA GSL - Prefetch, Page Creation, and MemAdvise (2048 x 2048):

```

Image loaded successfully!
Image dimensions: 2048x2048
Array size: 16777216
Will Process Image
Done Process Image
Image Saved
Validation from image
MSE: 1.35444e-05
RMSE from image: 0.00368026
Validation from file
MSE: 2.09942e-06
RMSE from file 0.00144894
==8991== Profiling application: ./imageLoad
==8991== Profiling result:
      Type    Time(%)     Time    Calls      Avg      Min      Max    Name
GPU activities: 100.00% 716.32ms       10  71.632ms  60.948ms 121.34ms GaussianBlur(GaussianParams*)
    API calls:   84.10% 716.30ms        1  716.30ms  716.30ms 716.30ms cudaDeviceSynchronize
                 13.86% 118.09ms        7  16.870ms  9.0630us 117.92ms cudaMallocManaged
                 0.57% 4.8603ms       10  486.03us  3.5270us 4.8212ms cudaLaunchKernel
                 0.57% 4.8527ms       16  303.29us  3.3760us 1.4720ms cudaMemPrefetchAsync
                 0.45% 3.8386ms        7  548.37us  385.62us 719.72us cudaFree
                 0.43% 3.6225ms        8  452.81us  20.662us 1.0548ms cudaMemAdvise
                 0.02% 143.38us      114  1.2570us  107ns  56.443us cuDeviceGetAttribute
                 0.00% 12.808us        1  12.808us  12.808us 12.808us cuDeviceGetName
                 0.00% 7.2780us        1  7.2780us  7.2780us 7.2780us cudaGetDevice
                 0.00% 5.5140us        1  5.5140us  5.5140us 5.5140us cuDeviceGetPCIBusId
                 0.00% 1.3390us        3   446ns   146ns  881ns cuDeviceGetCount
                 0.00% 821ns          2   410ns   186ns  635ns cuDeviceGet
                 0.00% 671ns          1   671ns   671ns  671ns cuDeviceTotalMem
                 0.00% 458ns          1   458ns   458ns  458ns cudaGetLastError
                 0.00% 332ns          1   332ns   332ns  332ns cuModuleGetLoadingMode
                 0.00% 279ns          1   279ns   279ns  279ns cuDeviceGetUuid

==8991== Unified Memory profiling result:
Device "Tesla T4 (0)"
      Count    Avg    Size   Min Size   Max Size   Total Size   Total Time   Name
      25  1.9202MB  4.0000KB  2.0000MB  48.00391MB  4.182204ms Host To Device
      24  2.0000MB  2.0000MB  2.0000MB  48.00000MB  3.848360ms Device To Host
Total CPU Page faults: 145

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Execution Time Comparisons

- Sequential vs Parallel (512x512 px)

| | Sequential | Parallel | | | | Speed Up |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| | C++ | GSL | GSL + Prefetch | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation + Mem Advise | C++ vs Mem Advise Kernel |
| Average run time (10 calls) | 11,955.1 ms | 7.7283ms | 7.6563ms | 7.6603ms | 7.6607ms | |
| Host to Device | | 0.4424540ms | 0.3583930ms | 0.273113ms | 0.272026ms | |
| Device to Host | | 0.3033850ms | 0.2440280ms | 0.247385ms | 0.243802ms | |
| GPU Kernel Time | | 8.474139ms | 8.258721ms | 8.180798ms | 8.176528ms | 1,462.12 |

- Sequential vs Parallel (1024x1024 px)

| | Sequential | Parallel | | | | Speed Up |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| | C++ | GSL | GSL + Prefetch | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation + Mem Advise | C++ vs Mem Advise Kernel |
| Average run time (10 calls) | 50,536.7ms | 22.636ms | 24.260ms | 23.850ms | 23.524ms | |
| Host to Device | | 1.235905ms | 1.060581ms | 1.05895ms | 1.049413ms | |
| Device to Host | | 1.104040ms | 0.9667900ms | 0.965322ms | 0.962281ms | |
| GPU Kernel Time | | 24.975945ms | 26.287371ms | 25.874272ms | 25.535694ms | 1,979.06 |

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- Sequential vs Parallel (2048x2048 px)

| | Sequential | Parallel | | | | Speed Up |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| | C++ | GSL | GSL + Prefetch | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation + Mem Advise | C++ vs Mem Advise Kernel |
| Average run time (10 calls) | 202,619 ms | 73.874ms | 73.701ms | 70.213ms | 71.632ms | |
| Host to Device | | 4.983810ms | 4.192919ms | 4.193435ms | 4.182204ms | |
| Device to Host | | 4.291367ms | 3.856018ms | 3.854532ms | 3.848360ms | |
| GPU Kernel Time | | 83.149177ms | 81.749937ms | 78.260967ms | 79.653564ms | 2,543.75 |

Notes:

- C++ Sequential vs CUDA Parallel has a very large gap between their execution time.
 - CUDA really works well with images, especially for Gaussian Blur
 - C++ Sequential seems to have a very large disadvantage compared to CUDA's parallelism.
 - A comparison between a parallel version of the C++ implementation would've been a nice comparison against cuda.
- We can clearly see the total GPU Kernel Time reduction for every optimization step we add to the base GSL Kernel.
 - Although for Memory Advise, the 2048x2048 resolution seem to slow down very so slightly against the previous kernel (i.e. Page Creation).

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Validation Comparison

- **From Image vs Image**

| | | GSL | GSL + Prefetch | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation + Mem Advise |
|-----------|------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 512x512 | MSE | 2.3412e-05 | 2.3412e-05 | 2.3412e-05 | 2.3412e-05 |
| | RMSE | 0.00483859 | 0.00483859 | 0.00483859 | 0.00483859 |
| 1024x1024 | MSE | 1.5554e-05 | 1.5554e-05 | 1.5554e-05 | 1.5554e-05 |
| | RMSE | 0.00394385 | 0.00394385 | 0.00394385 | 0.00394385 |
| 2048x2048 | MSE | 1.35444e-05 | 1.35444e-05 | 1.35444e-05 | 1.35444e-05 |
| | RMSE | 0.00368026 | 0.00368026 | 0.00368026 | 0.00368026 |

Notes:

- The MSE between C++ and CUDA results did not meet the requirement of being less than $1e^{-6}$. One of the factors for this result is that when downloading or saving the output image, the RGB channels are converted from float to integer. This conversion causes truncation of the original floating-point values, and these truncated values are then used during comparison.
- **From CUDA computed RGB Channel vs C++ computed RGB Channel**

| | | GSL | GSL + Prefetch | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation | GSL + Prefetch + Page Creation + Mem Advise |
|-----------|------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 512x512 | MSE | 1.06483e-05 | 1.06483e-05 | 1.06483e-05 | 1.06483e-05 |
| | RMSE | 0.00326317 | 0.00326317 | 0.00326317 | 0.00326317 |
| 1024x1024 | MSE | 4.27375e-06 | 4.27375e-06 | 4.27375e-06 | 4.27375e-06 |
| | RMSE | 0.00206731 | 0.00206731 | 0.00206731 | 0.00206731 |

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| | | | | | |
|-----------|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2048x2048 | MSE | 2.09942e-06 | 2.09942e-06 | 2.09942e-06 | 2.09942e-06 |
| | RMSE | 0.00144894 | 0.00144894 | 0.00144894 | 0.00144894 |

Notes:

- We implemented this by saving the RGB channel values into a CSV file from the C++ Kernel runs.
- We got a lower MSE and RMSE compared to the image vs image validation.
- Still we weren't able to achieve the $<1e^{-06}$ range.