

Matrix Multiplication & Cuda Execution Model

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Outline Today

- A more complex kernel, Matrix-matrix multiplication.
- Query Device Property
- Assign resources to Blocks



vecAddition Kernel

```
// Compute vector sum C = A+B
// Each thread performs one pair-wise addition
  global void vecAdd(float* A, float* B, float* C, int n)
  int i = threadIdx.x + blockDim.x * blockIdx.x;
  if(i < n)
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
//Where is the loop?
```



- Widely used in Science and Engineering
 - Graphics
 - Linear equation systems.
 - Statistics
 - Computer Vision and Image processing.
 - Data Encryption



- d_M (I by J) times d_N(J by K) produces d_P(I by K)
- In this class, we use square matrix for discussion.
- Where I = J = K, we use Width or n for I, J and K.



Sequential Code on CPU

```
void mul(float c[], float a[], float b[], int n){ // n is the Width of matrices
 float sum;
                           // a, b, c are linearized 1D array to stored 2d matrix
 int di, dj, i;
 for(di = 0; di < n; di++){
   for(dj = 0; dj < n; dj++){
     sum=0;
     for(i=0; i < n; i++){
        sum += a[di*n + i] * b[i* n + dj]; // compute c(di, dj) in 2D matrix
     c[di*n + dj] = sum;
}//end of mul
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        sum += a[di*n + i] * b[i* n + dj]; // compute c(di, dj) in result matrix
     }//this is the dot product of row di in matrix a and one column dj in matrix b
      // a[di *n + i] is the a(row di, column i); increasing i will go through the whole row di.
      // To visit the next element in column dj in b, we have to skip a whole row of elements,
      // because we use row-major storage of 2D matrix.
     c[di*n + dj] = sum;
}//end of mul
```



- When perform matrix multiplication, each element in matrix d_P is an inner product of a row of d_M and a column of d_N.
- When we design our kernel, we map 2D grid
 of threads to the result matrix d_P.
 - So that each thread will produce one element in d_P matrix.
 - No matter how much data each thread will use or read from input array d_M and d_N.

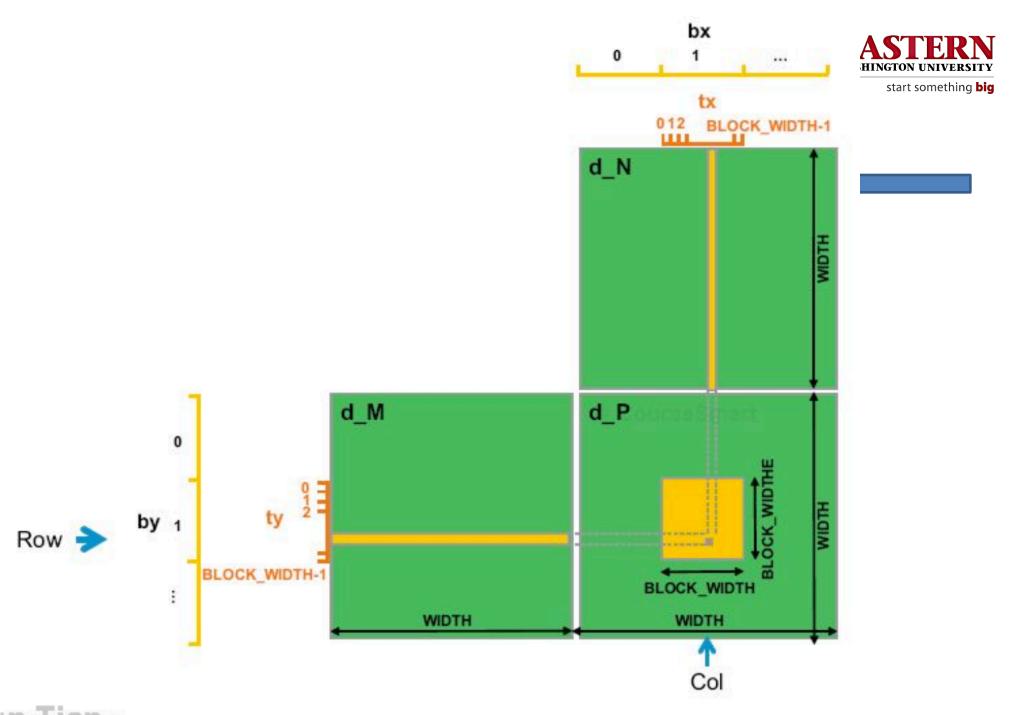


FIGURE 4.6



- In figure 4.6, we imagine we put a 2D grid of threads on top of matrix d_P,
 - The yellow area is one of the thread block.
- Now we focus on the thread at (Row, Col) in grid,
 - Row is the global row index of the thread in the grid in y direction.
 - Col is the global column index of the thread in the grid in x direction.



- Now we focus on the thread at (Row, Col) in grid,
 - Remember, this thread calculates d_P(Row,Col) by performing inner product of a row at Row in d_M and a column at Col in d_N.
 - This thread reads one row from d_M in global memory.
 - This thread reads one column from d_N in global memory.



```
__global__ void MatrixMulKernel(float* d_M, float* d_N, float* d_P, int Width) {

// Calculate the row index of the d_Pelement and d_M
int Row = blockIdx.y*blockDim.y+threadIdx.y;

// Calculate the column index of d_P and d_N
int Col = blockIdx.x*blockDim.x+threadIdx.x;

if ((Row < Width) && (Col < Width)) {
  float Pvalue = 0;
  // each thread computes one element of the block sub-matrix
  for (int K=0; k < Width; ++k) {
    Pvalue += d_M[Row*Width+k]*d_N[k*Width+Col];
  }
  d_P[Row*Width+Col] = Pvalue;
}</pre>
```

FIGURE 4.7

In text, 16 by 16 thread blocks is used.

A simple matrix—matrix multiplication kernel using one thread to compute each d_P element.

CSCD 439/539 GPU Programming



Query Device Properties

- Find out questions like:
 - Number of SMs in device?
 - Max # of threads could be assigned to each SM?
- APIs
 - int dev_count;
 - cudaGetDeviceCount(&dev count);



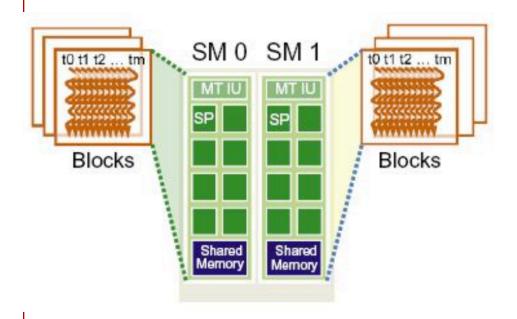
Query Device Properties

```
cudaDeviceProp dev_ prop;
for ( i = 0; i < dev_count; i ++)
{
    cudaGetDeviceProperties( &dev_ prop, i );
    // decide if device has sufficient resources and capabilities
}</pre>
```

- The built-in type cudaDeviceProp is a C structure with fields that represent the properties of a CUDA device.
- Demo Code on GPU server
 - /usr/local/cuda-8.0/samples/1_Utilities/deviceQuery

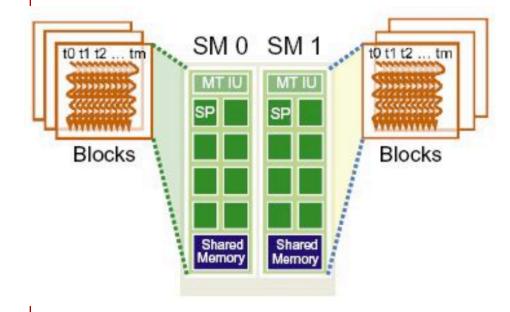


- Threads are assigned to SMs on a block-byblock basis,
- In figure right,
 multiple thread
 blocks can be
 assigned to each SM.





- But there is limit on the max # of blocks to be assigned to each SM.
 - E.g. may allow up to 8 blocks that can be assigned to each SM.
 - Threads of 8 blocks actively residing in the SM.





- Therefore, a limit on the # of blocks that can be actively executing in GPU device.
- Most grid contains many more blocks than this limit.
- Runtime system
 - maintains a list of blocks that need to execute,
 - assigns new blocks to SMs once they finish the blocks previously assigned to them.



- Also, another SM resource limitation
 - Max # of threads that can be simultaneously tracked and scheduled.
 - Recent CUDA device designs, X threads can be assigned to each SM, E.g. X = 1536 or 2048.
 - Could be 6 block of 256 threads each Or 3 blocks of 512 threads each if it is 1536.
 - If we a device has 30 SMs, the device can have up to 46080 threads simultaneously residing in the device, for 1536.



Summary

- A more complex kernel, Matrix-matrix multiplication.
- Query Device Property
- Assign resources to Blocks
- Please read chapter 4.3, 4.5 and 4.6



Future Classes

- Chapter 4.7 Thread scheduling and latency tolerance.
- Set up double pointers
- Text processing on GPU.
- Memory Model of GPU device