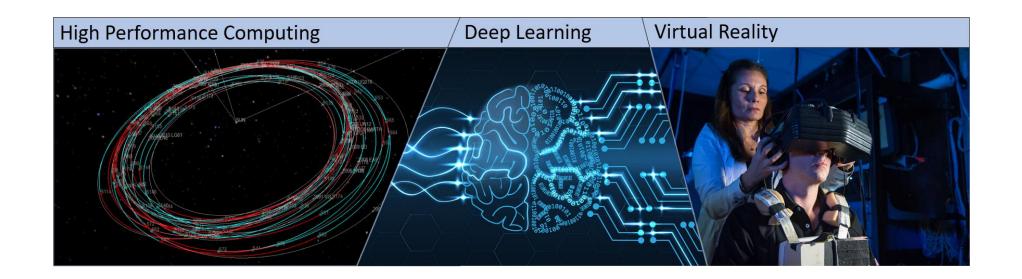


Fault Site Pruning for Practical Reliability Analysis of GPGPU Applications

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Soft Errors

- Soft errors: most commonly observed errors
 - Single bit flips

- *Masked* output
 - Correct answer.
- Silent Data Corruption (SDC) output
 - Wrong answer.
- **Other** output
 - Crash, hang, ...



Reliability Research: Fault Injection

- Fault injection method
 - Injecting single-bit errors into different locations (fault sites) in applications
- Ground truth: huge unreachable exhaustive fault sites!

GEMM:

16384 threads \times 1305 insns/thd \times 29.6bits/insn = 6.23×10^8 fault sites!

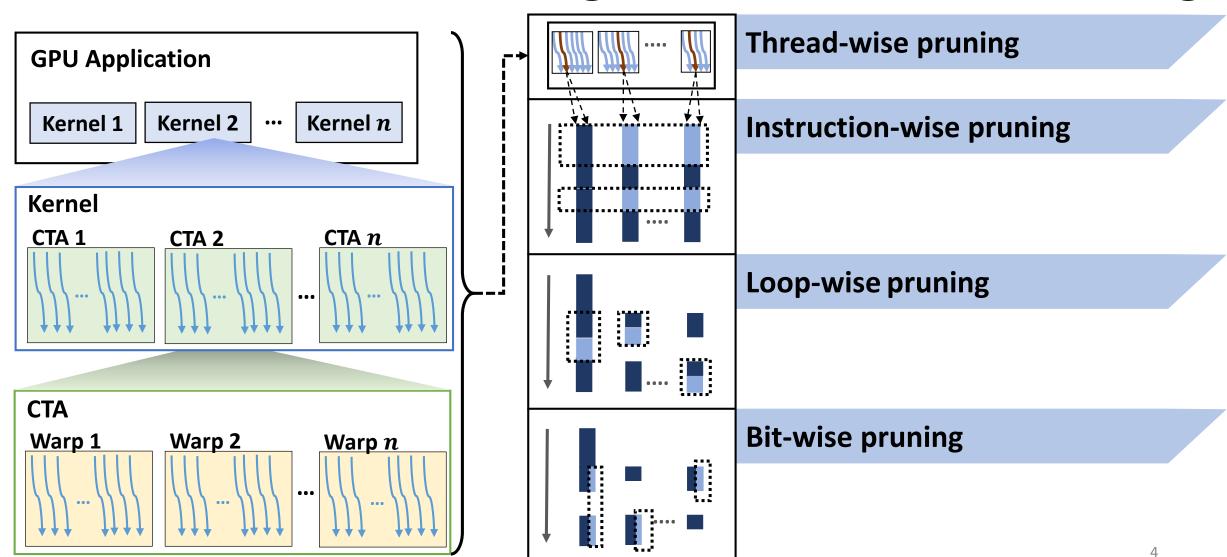
- Closest to ground truth (Baseline):
 - Random sampling based on statistics

Confidence Interval: 99.8%, Error Margin: 1.26%

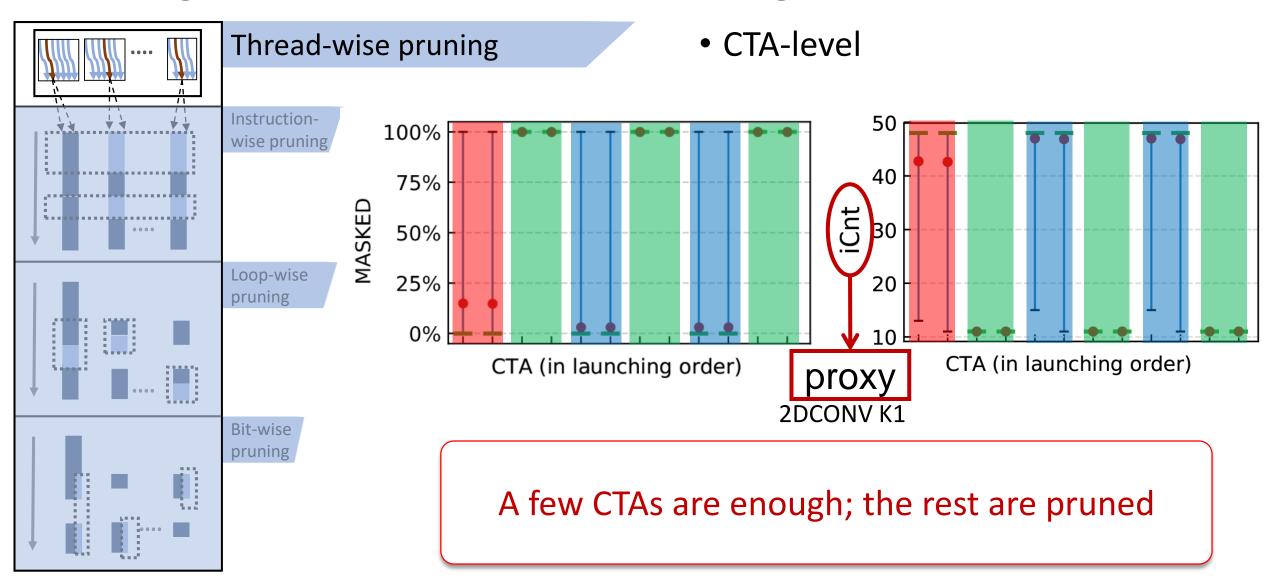
→ 60K fault sites



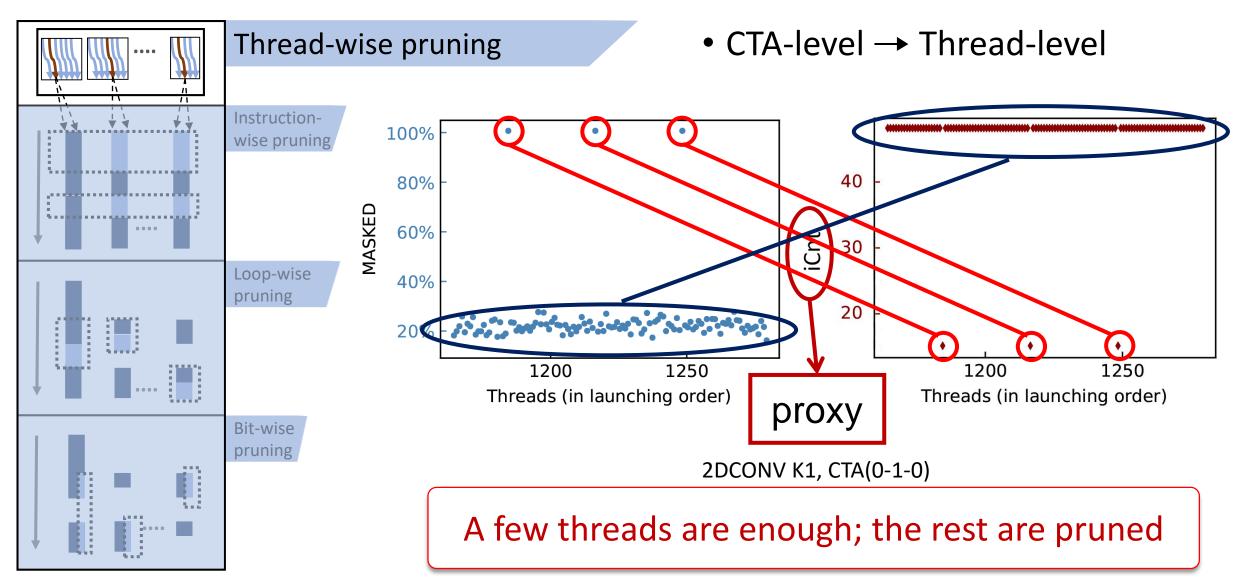
GPU Architecture → Progressive Fault Sites Pruning











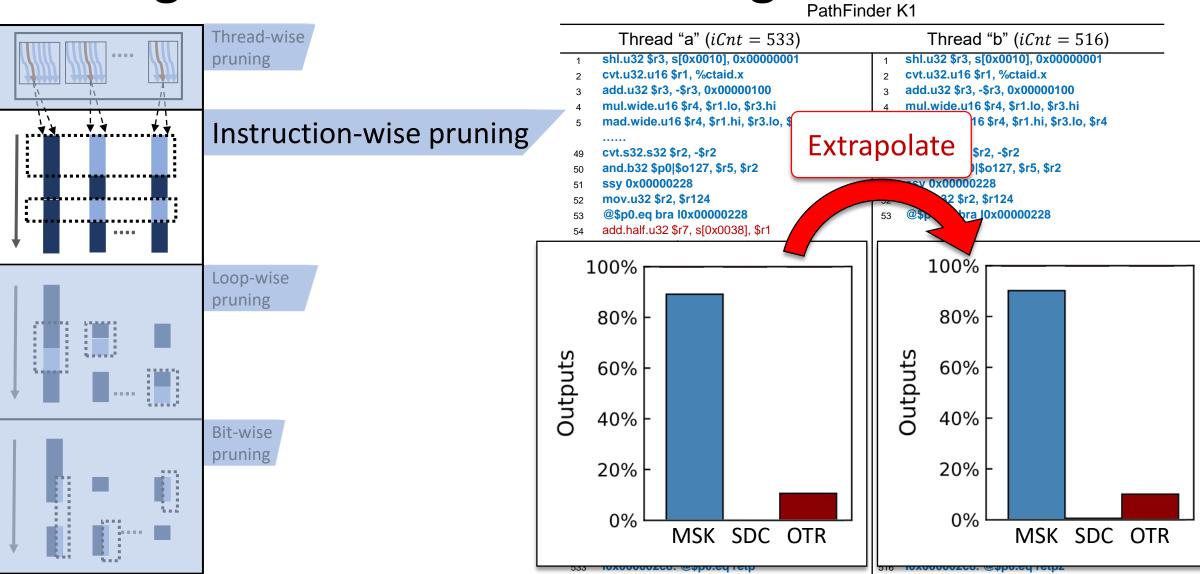


Thread-wise pruning Instruction-wise pruning Loop-wise pruning Bit-wise pruning

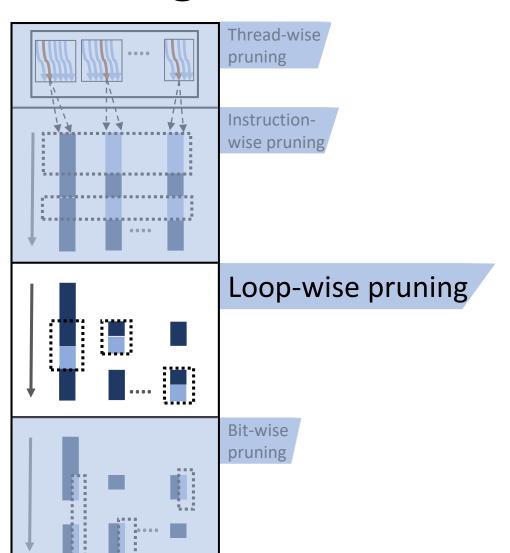
PathFinder K1

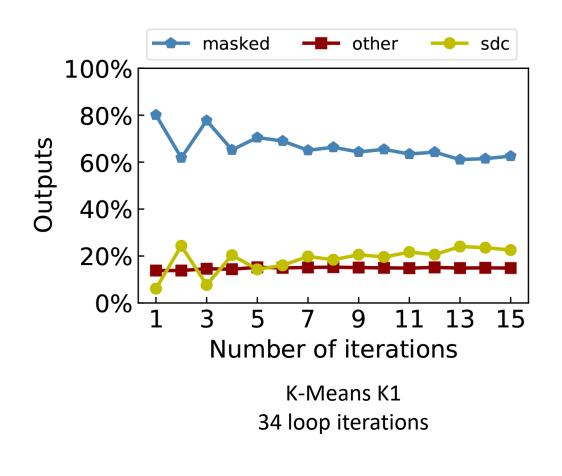
	Thread "a" ($iCnt = 533$)		Thread "b" ($iCnt = 516$)
1	shl.u32 \$r3, s[0x0010], 0x00000001	1	shl.u32 \$r3, s[0x0010], 0x00000001
2	cvt.u32.u16 \$r1, %ctaid.x	2	cvt.u32.u16 \$r1, %ctaid.x
3	add.u32 \$r3, -\$r3, 0x00000100	3	add.u32 \$r3, -\$r3, 0x00000100
4	mul.wide.u16 \$r4, \$r1.lo, \$r3.hi	4	mul.wide.u16 \$r4, \$r1.lo, \$r3.hi
5	mad.wide.u16 \$r4, \$r1.hi, \$r3.lo, \$r4	5	mad.wide.u16 \$r4, \$r1.hi, \$r3.lo, \$r4
49	cvt.s32.s32 \$r2, -\$r2	49	cvt.s32.s32 \$r2, -\$r2
50	and.b32 \$p0 \$o127, \$r5, \$r2	50	and.b32 \$p0 \$o127, \$r5, \$r2
51	ssy 0x00000228	51	ssy 0x00000228
52	mov.u32 \$r2, \$r124	52	mov.u32 \$r2, \$r124
53	@\$p0.eq bra l0x00000228	53	@\$p0.eq bra l0x00000228
54	add.half.u32 \$r7, s[0x0038], \$r1		
55	mov.half.u32 \$r2, s[0x0030]		
56	mul.wide.u16 \$r8, \$r2.lo, \$r7.hi		
57	mad.wide.u16 \$r8, \$r2.hi, \$r7.lo, \$r8		
58	shl.u32 \$r8, \$r8, 0x00000010		
66	min.s32 \$r7, s[\$ofs2+0x0040], \$r8		
67	ld.global.u32 \$r2, [\$r2]		
68	add.u32 \$r2, \$r2, \$r7		
69	mov.u32 s[\$ofs3+0x0440], \$r2		
70	mov.u32 \$r2, 0x00000001		
71	l0x00000228: nop	54	l0x00000228: nop
72	bar.sync 0x00000000	55	bar.sync 0x00000000
73	set.eq.s32.s32 \$p0/\$o127, \$r6, \$r1	56	set.eq.s32.s32 \$p0/\$o127, \$r6, \$r1
74	@\$p0.ne bra l0x000002b8	57	@\$p0.ne bra l0x000002b8
75	set.ne.s32.s32 \$p1/\$r1, \$r2, \$r124	58	set.ne.s32.s32 \$p1/\$r1, \$r2, \$r124
529	set.eq.s32.s32 \$p0/\$o127, \$r6, \$r1	512	
530	@\$p0.ne bra l0x000002b8	513	@\$p0.ne bra I0x000002b8
531	l0x000002b8: set.ne.s32.s32 \$p0/\$o127, \$r2, \$r124	514	l0x000002b8: set.ne.s32.s32 \$p0/\$o127, \$r2, \$r124
532	bra I0x000002c8	515	bra I0x000002c8 7
533	I0x000002c8: @\$p0.eq retp	516	I0x000002c8: @\$p0.eq retpz



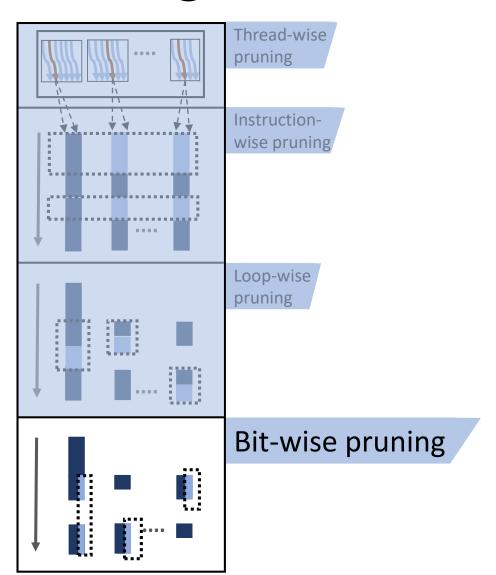


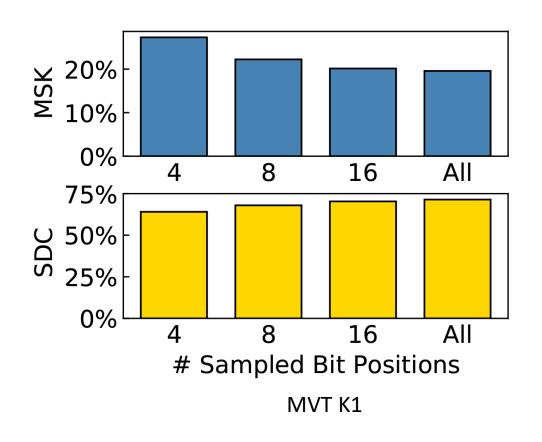








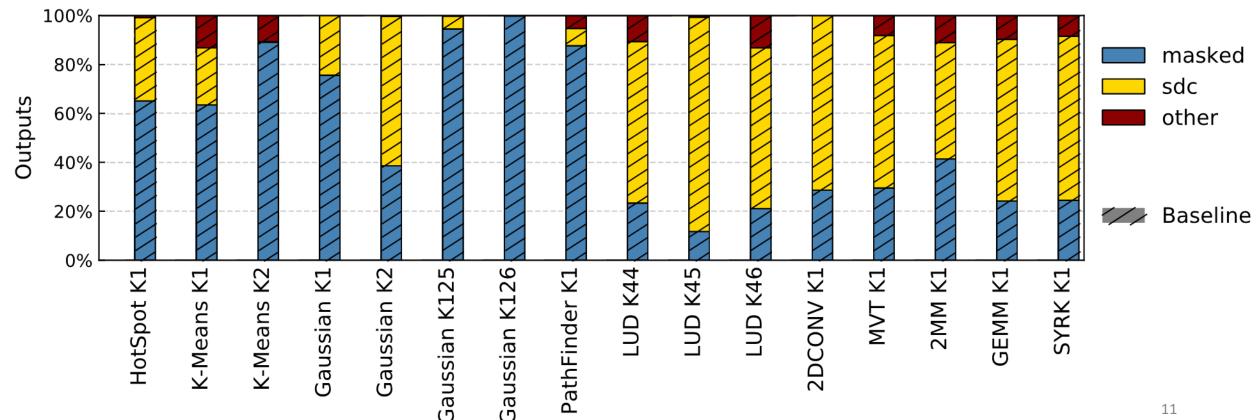






Evaluation

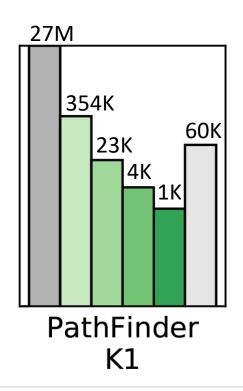
- Fault Site Pruning vs. Baseline
 - Baseline: 60K fault sites (confidence interval=99.8%, error margin=1.26%)
 - Closest to ground truth





Evaluation

Effectiveness



	Exhaustive Fault Sites	Pruned Fault Sites
Average	1.29×10^{8}	1190
Min	1.09×10^{5}	318
Max	6.23×10^{8}	4678

108,403x Reduction!



Conclusion

- GPGPU applications: huge unreachable exhaustive fault sites
- Progressive Fault Site Pruning
 - GPGPU-specific features
- Accurate GPU reliability assessment
- Significant reduction:
 - Up to 7 orders of magnitude
 - 108,403x on average



Thank you:)

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