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## ACCELERATED COMPUTING

Solving the World's Most Important Challenges



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## WHAT IS GPU-ACCELERATED COMPUTING?

GPU-ACCELERATED COMPUTING IS THE USE OF A GRAPHICS PROCESSING UNIT (GPU) TOGETHER WITH A CPU TO ACCELERATE **DEEP LEARNING**, **ANALYTICS**, AND **ENGINEERING** APPLICATIONS. PIONEERED IN 2007 BY NVIDIA, GPU ACCELERATORS NOW POWER ENERGY-EFFICIENT DATA CENTERS IN GOVERNMENT LABS, UNIVERSITIES, ENTERPRISES, AND SMALL-AND-MEDIUM BUSINESSES AROUND THE WORLD. THEY PLAY A HUGE ROLE IN ACCELERATING APPLICATIONS IN PLATFORMS RANGING FROM ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TO CARS, DRONES, AND ROBOTS.

### HOW GPUS ACCELERATE SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS

GPU-ACCELERATED COMPUTING OFFLOADS COMPUTE-INTENSIVE PORTIONS OF THE APPLICATION TO THE GPU, WHILE THE REMAINDER OF THE CODE STILL RUNS ON THE CPU. FROM A USER'S PERSPECTIVE, APPLICATIONS SIMPLY RUN MUCH FASTER.

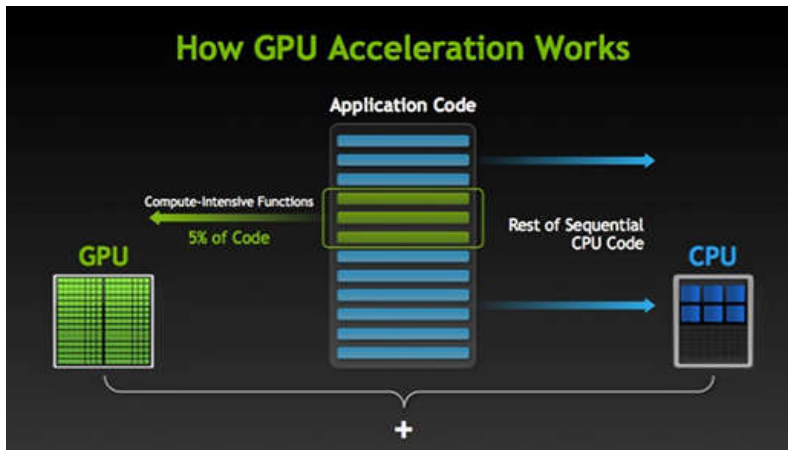
## GET STARTED TODAY

There are three basic approaches to adding GPU acceleration to your applications:

- Dropping in GPU-optimized libraries
- Adding compiler "hints" to auto-parallelize your code
- Using extensions to standard languages like C and Fortran

LEARNING HOW TO USE GPUS WITH THE CUDA PARALLEL PROGRAMMING MODEL IS EASY.

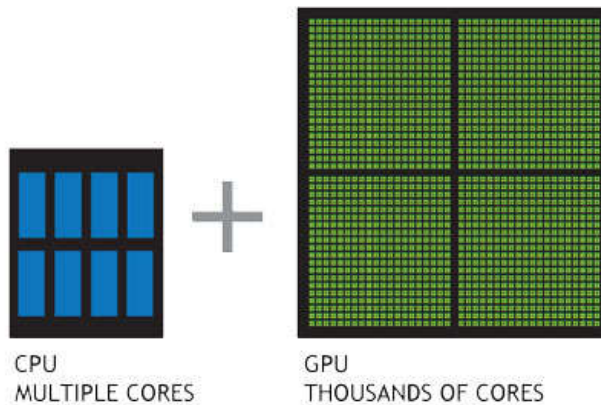
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#### GPU vs CPU Performance

A SIMPLE WAY TO UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A GPU AND A CPU IS TO COMPARE HOW THEY PROCESS TASKS. A CPU CONSISTS OF A FEW CORES OPTIMIZED FOR SEQUENTIAL SERIAL PROCESSING WHILE A GPU HAS A MASSIVELY PARALLEL ARCHITECTURE CONSISTING OF THOUSANDS OF SMALLER, MORE EFFICIENT CORES DESIGNED FOR HANDLING MULTIPLE TASKS SIMULTANEOUSLY.

**GPUS HAVE THOUSANDS OF CORES TO PROCESS PARALLEL WORKLOADS EFFICIENTLY**



**CHECK OUT THE VIDEO CLIP BELOW FOR AN ENTERTAINING GPU VERSUS CPU**



VIDEO: MYTHBUSTERS DEMO: GPU VS CPU (01:34)

WITH OVER **500 HPC APPLICATIONS ACCELERATED**—INCLUDING 15 OUT OF TOP 15—ALL GPU USERS CAN EXPERIENCE DRAMATIC THROUGHPUT BOOST FOR THEIR WORKLOADS. FIND OUT IF THE APPLICATIONS YOU USE ARE GPU-ACCELERATED IN OUR **APPLICATION CATALOG** (PDF 548 KB).





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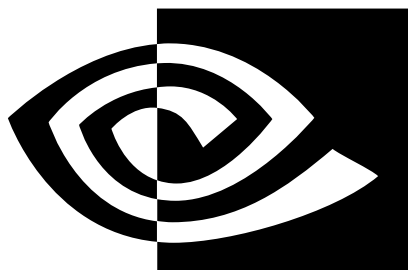
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