

# Contemporary Computer Architecture TDSN13

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LECTURE 9 – CUDA LIBRARIES

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# Cuda Libraries

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Some standard libraries for scientific calculations:

- cuBLAS
- cuSolver
- cuFFT
- Thrust

# C++ STL

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- C++ Standard Template Library provides a set of type agnostic features as a way of simplifying C++ programming, some examples of these features are:
  - Type agnostic data structures: lists, map, vectors, etc.
  - Type agnostic algorithms: sort, fill, max, etc.
  - Iterators for data structures
- C++ STL features reside inside the C++ namespace `std`

– Example:

```
#include <algorithm>
#include <vector>

...
// Creates int vector with 10 elements
std::vector<int> a(10);

// Fill vector with 10 9 8 ... 1
for(int i = 0 ; i < a.size(); ++i)
    a[i] = a.size() - i;

// Sort the vector
std::sort(a.begin(), a.end());
// a vector now contains 1 2 3 ... 10
```

# Thrust

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- Thrust is a C++ template library written for CUDA devices and based on the C++ STL with the intention of simplifying certain aspects of the CUDA programming model
- Thrust provides users with three main functionalities:
  - The host and device vector containers
  - A collection of parallel primitives such as, sort, reduce and transformations
  - Fancy iterators
- All Thrust functions and containers reside inside the **thrust** namespace
- Thrust allows either host or device execution
- Since thrust is a template library it doesn't need to be linked against a library

# Thrust vector containers

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- Thrust provides 2 vector containers:
  - `thrust::host_vector<T>` for a vector stored in host memory
  - `thrust::device_vector<T>` for a vector stored in device memory
- Containers features:
  - Interoperability between the `host_vector<T>` and `device_vector<T>`, specifically:
    - Memory transfers using the assign operator and constructors
  - Interoperability with STL containers through iterators
  - API similar to the STL `std::vector`
  - Dynamic resizing of the container
- To use them include:
  - `#<include> "thrust/host_vector.h"`
  - `#<include> "thrust/device_vector.h"`

# STL and Thrust Iterators

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- Iterators provide a high-level abstraction for data access to containers, specifically:
  - Contains information of a specific element in the container
  - Contains information on how to access other elements in the container
- There are several kinds of iterators for example:
  - Random access iterators, allows access to any element in the container
  - Bidirectional iterators, allows access to the previous and next element
  - Forward iterators, allows access to the next element

– Example:

```
thrust::host_vector<int> a(10);  
// Fill a with 0 1 2 ... 9  
auto it = a.begin(); // Iterator pointing to the first element  
int tmp = *it; // Dereference the iterator, tmp holds 0  
it = a.begin() + 5; // Iterator pointing to a[5]  
++it; // Iterator pointing to a[6]  
*it = tmp; // Equivalent to performing a[6] = tmp;  
for( it = a.begin(); it != a.end(); ++it)  
    std::cout << *it << std::endl; // Print a contents
```

\*\*\* It's important to observe that `a.end()` doesn't point to `a[9]`, it refers to a position past the final element

# Thrust vector containers interop

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```
#include <thrust/host_vector.h>
#include <thrust/device_vector.h>
#include <list>

...
// Declare and initialize STL list container
std::list<float> stl_list;
stl_list.push_back(3.14);
stl_list.push_back(2.71);
stl_list.push_back(0.);
// Initialize thrust device vector with the STL list containing {3.14, 2.71, 0.}
thrust::device_vector<float> vector_D(stl_list.begin(), stl_list.end());
// Perform computations on vector_D
// Create host vector and copy back results to host memory
thrust::host_vector<float> vector_H = vector_D;
```

# Thrust pointers and memory

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- Thrust provides a pointer interface `thrust::device_ptr<T>` to be used when data was allocated using `cudaMalloc` or similar mechanisms
- The `thrust::device_ptr<T>` interface is compatible with all Thrust algorithms and allows similar semantics as iterators
- To use Thrust device pointer the user needs to include:
  - `#include <thrust/device_ptr.h>`

– Example:

```
#include <thrust/device_ptr.h>

...
float *a;

// Allocate device memory
cudaMalloc((void**)&a, 1024 * sizeof(float));

// Initialize thrust pointer with a
thrust::device_ptr<float> a_thrust(a);

// Assign to a_thrust 0, 0 + 2, 2 + 2, ..., 2046
thrust::sequence(a_thrust, a_thrust + 1024, 0, 2);

// Extract the pointer being used by a_thrust
float *b = thrust::raw_pointer_cast(a_thrust);
```



# Thrust algorithms

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- Provides common parallel algorithms like:
  - [Reductions](#)
  - [Sorting](#)
  - [Reorderings](#)
  - [Prefix-sums](#)
  - [Transformations](#)
- All Thrust algorithms have host and device implementations
- If an algorithm is invoked with an iterator, thrust will execute the operation in the host or device according to the iterator memory region
- Except for `thrust::copy` which can copy data between host and device all other routines must have all its arguments reside in the same place

# Thrust transformations

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- Transformations apply a function to each element in the input range and stores the result in the output range
- Exists a diverse set of available transformations such as:
  - `thrust::transform` applies out-of-place a function to each element in a data range
  - `thrust::transform_if` applies out-of-place a function if a condition is met
  - `thrust::for_each` applies in-place a unary function
- To use Thrust transformation algorithms the user needs to include:
  - `#include <thrust/transform.h>`

```
#include <thrust/transform.h>
...
struct saxpy_functional {
    float alpha;
    float operator()(float &x, float &y) {
        return alpha * x + y;
    }
};
...
thrust::device_vector<float> a(1024);
thrust::device_vector<float> b(1024);
thrust::device_vector<float> c(1024);
// Initialize a and b
saxpy_functional saxpy;
saxpy.alpha = 2;

thrust::transform(a.begin(), a.end(), b.begin(),
c.begin(), saxpy); // Perform c[i] = 2 * a[i] + b[i]
```

# Thrust function objects

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- Thrust provides a collection of predefined operators usable by Thrust algorithms like transform and reduce
- Available operator categories are:
  - [Arithmetic operators](#)
  - [Comparison operators](#)
  - [Logical operators](#)
  - [Bitwise operators](#)
  - [Generalized identity operators](#)

- Example:

```
#include <thrust/functional.h>
#include <thrust/transform_reduce.h>

...

thrust::device_vector<double> x;
double zero = 0;
double norm;

// Initialize data

// Compute x norm using the thrust::square (x * x) and
// thrust::plus (x + y) operators

norm = std::sqrt(thrust::transform_reduce(x.begin(),
    x.end(), thrust::square<double>(), zero,
    thrust::plus<double>()));
```

# Thrust sorting routines

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- Thrust provides sorting algorithms for GPU namely:
  - `thrust::sort` for sorting an array
  - `thrust::sort_by_key` for sorting an array by a key array
- Stable sorting routines are also available:
  - `thrust::stable_sort`
  - `thrust::stable_sort_by_key`
- To use Thrust sorting algorithms the user needs to include
  - `#include <thrust/sort.h>`

- Example:

```
#include <thrust/sort.h>

...
thrust::device_vector<int> keys(4);
thrust::device_vector<double> values(4);
// Initialize data with:
//   keys = {3, 1, 2, 7}
//   values = {1., 2., 3., 4. }
// Launch thrust sorting by key algorithm
thrust::sort_by_key(keys.begin(), keys.end(),
values.begin());
// Values after sorting:
//   keys = {1, 2, 3, 7}
//   values = {2., 3., 1., 4. }
```

# Thrust fancy iterators

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- Thrust provides a collection of special iterators to be used by Thrust algorithms enhancing language programmability:
  - `thrust::constant_iterator<T>` is an iterator with constant value
  - `thrust::counting_iterator<T>` is an iterator addressing a range of numbers
  - `thrust::zip_iterator` is an iterator zipping two memory regions together into a single object of pairs

## – Example:

```
#include <thrust/iterator/zip_iterator.h>

...

thrust::device_vector<int> A;
thrust::device_vector<float> B;

...

auto begin =
    thrust::make_zip_iterator(thrust::make_tuple(A.begin(),
    B.begin()));

auto end =
    thrust::make_zip_iterator(thrust::make_tuple(A.end(),
    B.end()));

thrust::maximum< thrust::tuple<int,float>> max_op;

thrust::reduce(begin, lendast, init, max_op);
```

# Execution policies and streams

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- Execution policies gives users control over certain runtime execution decisions
- Common execution policies are:
  - `thrust::seq` for sequential execution
  - `thrust::omp::par` for parallel execution using the OpenMP backend
  - `thrust::cuda::par` for CUDA execution
  - `thrust::host` for host execution
  - `thrust::device` for device execution
- Thrust allows the use of CUDA streams through the execution policy:
  - `thrust::cuda::par.on(stream)`:
    - Sets the stream to use by the Thrust algorithm
    - Parameters:
      - Stream to use
  - To use this policy the user needs to include:
    - `#include <thrust/system/cuda/execution_policy.h>`
  - Example:

```
cudaStream_t stream;  
  
...  
  
thrust::sort(thrust::cuda::par.on(stream),  
dev_vector.begin(), dev_vector.end())
```

# BLAS and cuBLAS

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BLAS (Basic Linear Algebra Subprograms) is a low-level linear algebra library originally written in Fortran and standardized by the [BLAS Technical Forum](#)

It provides three levels of routines:

- Level 1: Scalar and Vector-Vector operations
  - Example: Dot product and SAXPY
- Level 2: Matrix-Vector operations
  - Example: Matrix vector multiplication, solving a triangular system
- Level 3: Matrix-Matrix operations
  - Example: GEMM

cuBLAS is a BLAS implementation for CUDA devices

# Data layout in cuBLAS

There are two natural data layouts to linearly store dense matrices:

- Row major order:
  - Each row is stored contiguously
  - Used by C, C++ and derivatives
- Column major order:
  - Each column is stored contiguously
  - Used by Fortran and derivatives

cuBLAS uses column major order with 1 indexing for compatibility with Fortran numeric libraries

$A_{1,1}$	$A_{1,2}$
$A_{2,1}$	$A_{2,2}$

Matrix A

$A_{1,1}$	$A_{1,2}$	$A_{2,1}$	$A_{2,2}$
$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$

Row major order  
with 0 indexing

$$A_{i,j} = A[i * cols + j]$$

Addressing in row  
major order

$A_{1,1}$	$A_{1,2}$
$A_{2,1}$	$A_{2,2}$

Matrix A

$A_{1,1}$	$A_{2,1}$	$A_{1,2}$	$A_{2,2}$
$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$

Column major order  
with 1 indexing

$$A_{i,j} = A[j * rows + i]$$

Addressing in  
column major order



# Creation of a cuBLAS environment

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- cuBLAS needs an execution context to store internal resources. This context needs to be created before executing any cuBLAS routine
- After all cuBLAS executions are finished the context needs to be destroyed to free resources
- Creating and destroying contexts should be considered an expensive operation. Recommended that each thread and each device have its own context
- To create a context in a specific device call `cudaSetDevice` before the creation
- `cublasHandle_t`
  - Type used by cuBLAS to store contexts
- `cublasCreate(cublasHandle_t* handle)`
  - Creates a cuBLAS context
  - Parameters:
    - Pointer to cuBLAS handle to create
- `cublasDestroy(cublasHandle_t handle)`
  - Destroys a cuBLAS context
  - Parameters:
    - cuBLAS handle with the context to destroy
- `cublasStatus_t`
  - Type used by cuBLAS for reporting errors
  - Every cuBLAS returns an error status

# Streams API and thread safety

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- cuBLAS permits the use of cuda streams (`cudaStream_t`) for increasing resource usage and introduce other levels of parallelism
- cuBLAS is a thread safe library, meaning that the cuBLAS host functions can be called from multiple threads safely
- `cublasSetStream()`:
  - Sets the stream to be used by cuBLAS for subsequent computations
  - Parameters:
    - cuBLAS handle to set the stream
    - cuda stream to use
- `cublasGetStream()`:
  - Gets the stream being used by cuBLAS
  - Parameters:
    - cuBLAS handle to get the stream
    - pointer to cuda stream

# cuBLAS API naming convention

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Each of the three levels of BLAS routines in cuBLAS have multiple interfaces for the same operation, having the naming convention:

`cublas<t>operation` where `<t>` is one of:

- S for float parameters
- D for double parameters
- C for complex float parameters
- Z for complex double parameters

Example: For the axpy operation ( $y[i] = \alpha x[i] + y[i]$ ), the available functions are:

- `cublasSaxpy`, `cublasDaxpy`, `cublasCaxpy`, `cublasZaxpy`

# cuBLAS memory API

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cuBLAS offers specialized data migration and copy functions for strided matrix and vector transfers

Available functions:

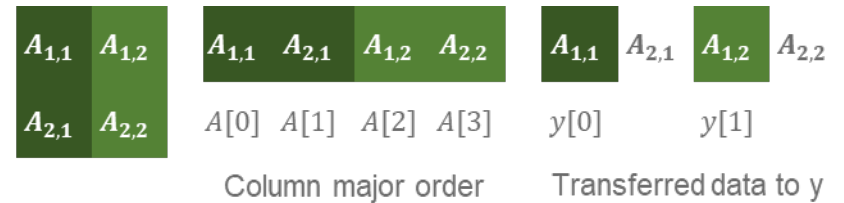
- `cublasGetVector` & `cudaGetMatrix` for device to host transfers
- `cublasSetVector` & `cudaSetMatrix` for host to device transfers
- `cublas<t>copy` for device to device transfers

Useful for obtaining a row in a matrix with column major order

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## cublasGetVector():

- Parameters:
  - Number of elements to transfer in bytes
  - Element size in bytes
  - Source device pointer
  - Stride to use for the source vector
  - Destination host pointer
  - Stride to use for the destination vector



## Example

```
cublasGetVector(2*sizeof(float), sizeof(float), A, 2, y, 1);
```

# Example: Conjugate Gradient

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- The Conjugate Gradient method is an iterative method to compute an approximation for the solution of the linear algebraic system  $Ax = b$
- Assumptions:
  - Let  $A$  be a  $n * n$  symmetric and positive definite matrix (all the eigenvalues are positive)
  - Let  $b$  be a  $n$ -dimensional vector

Algorithm:

1.  $r_0 = b - A * x_0$
2.  $p_0 = r_0$
3.  $k = 0$
4. loop

1.  $\alpha_k = \frac{r_k^T * r_k}{p_k^T * A * p_k}$

2.  $x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha_k p_k$

3.  $r_{k+1} = r_k - \alpha_k A * p_k$

4. if  $\|r_{k+1}\|_2 < \varepsilon$ , break the loop

5.  $\beta_k = \frac{r_{k+1}^T * r_{k+1}}{r_k^T * r_k}$

6.  $p_{k+1} = r_{k+1} + \beta_k p_k$

7.  $k = k + 1$

5. return  $x_{k+1}$

# Example: cuBLAS implementation

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```
1. double zero = 0, minusOne = -1, one = 1, alpha = 0, beta = 0, rxr = 0, tmp;
2. cublasDcopy(handle, n, b, 1, r, 1);
3. cublasDgemv(handle, CUBLAS_OP_N, n, n, &minusOne, A, rows, x, 1, &one, r, 1);
4. cublasDcopy(handle, n, r, 1, p, 1);
5. cublasDdot(handle, n, r, 1, r, 1, &rxr);
6. while(k < maxit) {
7.     cublasDgemv(handle, CUBLAS_OP_N, n, n, &minusOne, A, rows, p, 1, &zero, Axp, 1);
8.     cublasDdot(handle, n, p, 1, Axp, 1, &tmp);
9.     alpha = rxr / tmp;
10.    cublasDaxpy(handle, n, &alpha, p, 1, x, 1);
11.    tmp = -alpha;
12.    cublasDaxpy(handle, n, &tmp, Axp, 1, r, 1);
13.    cublasDdot(handle, n, r, 1, r, 1, &tmp);
14.    if (sqrt(tmp) < epsilon) break;
15.    beta = tmp / rxr;
16.    rxr = tmp;
17.    cublasDscal(handle, n, beta, p, 1);
18.    cublasDaxpy(handle, n, &one, r, 1, p, 1);
19.    k += k;
20. }
```

*//  $r_0 = b$*   
*//  $r_0 = b - A * x_0$*   
*//  $p_0 = r_0$*   
*//  $r_k^T * r_k$*   
*//  $A * p_k$*   
*//  $p_k^T * A * p_k$*   
*//  $x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha_k p_k$*   
*//  $r_{k+1} = r_k - \alpha_k A * p_k$*   
*//  $r_k^T * r_k$*   
*//  $\beta_k p_k$*   
*//  $p_{k+1} = r_{k+1} + \beta_k p_k$*

# cuSolver

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- cuSOLVER is linear algebra library with LAPACK-like features focused on:
  - Direct factorization methods for dense matrices
  - Linear systems solving methods for dense and sparse matrices
  - Eigenvalue problems for dense and sparse matrices
  - Refactorization techniques for sparse matrices
  - Least square problems for sparse matrices
- In cases where the sparsity pattern produces low GPU utilization cuSOLVER provides CPU routines to handle those sparse matrices



# cuSOLVER dense API

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- cuSOLVER dense matrices routines are available under the **cuSolverDN** API
- **cuSolverDN** provides two different APIs:
  - Legacy naming convention:
    - **cusolverDn<T><operation>**
  - Generic naming convention:
    - **cusolverDn<operation>**

- **<T>** is the data type used by the matrices:

<b>&lt;T&gt;</b>	Type
<b>S</b>	float
<b>D</b>	double
<b>C</b>	cuComplex
<b>Z</b>	cuDoubleComplex
<b>X</b>	Generic type

- **<operation>** is the operation to be performed, some examples are:
  - **portf** for Cholesky factorization
  - **gesvd** for the SVD decomposition
- Example:
  - **cusolverDnDportf** calls the routine performing the Cholesky decomposition for matrices of type double

# cuSOLVER dense API

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- cuSolverDN assumes that matrices are stored in column-major format
- The cuSolverDN generic API provides 64bit support for integer parameters
- The cuSolverDN generic API uses the type cudaDataType in the routines arguments to specify the type of the input matrix

cudaDataType	Type
CUDA_R_32F	Single precision real number
CUDA_R_64F	Double precision real number
CUDA_C_32F	Single precision complex number
CUDA_C_64F	Double precision complex number

# cuSOLVER dense environment

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- **cuSolverDN** needs an execution context to store internal resources. This context needs to be created before executing any **cuSolverDN** routine
- After all **cuSolverDN** executions are finished the context needs to be destroyed to free resources
- To create a context in a specific device call **cudaSetDevice** before the creation
- **cusolverDnHandle\_t**
  - Type used by **cuSolverDN** to store contexts handles
- **cusolverDnCreate(cusolverDnHandle\_t\* handle)**
  - Creates a **cuSolverDN** context
  - Parameters:
    - Pointer to **cuSolverDN** handle to create
- **cusolverDnDestroy(cusolverDnHandle\_t handle)**
  - Destroys a **cuSolverDN** context
  - Parameters:
    - **cuSolverDN** handle with the context to destroy
- **cusolverStatus\_t**
  - Type used by **cuSOLVER** for reporting errors

# cuSOLVER dense environment

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- **cuSolverDN** routines don't allocate workspace memory by themselves, the user needs to allocate the device workspace
- To find the size in bytes needed by a **cuSolverDN** routine, the user must call:
  - `<routine>_bufferSize()`
    - The arguments of the function varies according to the routine
    - `<routine>` is the name of the **cuSolverDN** routine
- Once the user allocates the workspace region the user can call the routine
- **cuSolverDN** routines accept an info parameter, if info is less than 0 this tells the user that the i-th parameter (not counting the handle) is invalid

# Streams API and thread safety

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- **cuSolverDN** permits the use of cuda streams (**cudaStream\_t**) for increasing resource usage and introduce other levels of parallelism
- **cuSolverDN** is a thread safe library, meaning that the **cuSolverDN** host functions can be called from multiple threads safely
- **cusolverDnSetStream()**:
  - Sets the stream to be used by **cuSolverDN** for subsequent computations
  - Parameters:
    - **cuSolverDN** handle to set the stream
    - cuda stream to use
- **cusolverDnGetStream()**:
  - Gets the stream being used by **cuSolverDN**
  - Parameters:
    - **cuSolverDN** handle to get the stream
    - pointer to cuda stream

# cuSolverDN LU factorization

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- Given a matrix  $A$ , the LU factorization is given by:

$$P * A = L * U$$

where  $P$  is a permutation matrix produced by the algorithm with the row pivots.  $L$  is a lower triangular matrix with unit diagonal and  $U$  is an upper triangular matrix.

- The matrix  $A$  is assumed to be in column-major order
- If  $\text{info}=i$  and is positive, it means the factorization failed and  $U(i,i) = 0$

```
cusolverDnHandle_t handle; // cuSolverDN handle
cusolverDnParams_t params; // Routine options
void* A; // Matrix to factorize
int64_t m, n; // Rows and columns respectively
int64_t* ipiv; // Row pivots, vector of m elements
size_t workSize; // Workspace size in bytes
void* buffer; // Workspace buffer
cudaDataType typeA; // Type of matrix A
int info = 0; // Info parameter

// Create and initialize options struct:
cusolverDnCreateParams(&params);
cusolverDnSetAdvOptions(params, CUSOLVERDN_GETRF,
CUSOLVER_ALG_0);
// Get the buffer size and allocate it:
cusolverDnGetrf_bufferSize(handle, params, m, n, typeA, A, n,
typeA, &workSize);
cudaMalloc((void**) &buffer, workSize);
// Compute the factorization
cusolverDnGetrf(handle, params, m, n, typeA, A, n, ipiv, typeA,
buffer, workSize, &info);
// Destroy the options struct
cusolverDnDestroyParams(params);
```

# cuSolverDN Cholesky factorization

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- Given a matrix A, the Cholesky factorization is given by either of:

$$A = L * L^H$$

$$A = U^H * U$$

Where L is a lower triangular matrix and U is an upper triangular matrix.

- **cuSolverDN** uses a fill mode parameter to determine which decomposition to compute
- If info=i and is positive, it means the factorization failed and  $U(i,i) = 0$

```
cusolverDnHandle_t handle; // cuSolverDN handle
double* A;                // Matrix to factorize
cublasFillMode_t uplo;    // Type indicating filling mode
int n;                    // Number of rows and columns
int workSize;             // Workspace size in bytes
void* buffer;             // Workspace buffer
int info = 0;             // Info parameter
```

```
// Get the buffer size and allocate it:
cusolverDnSpotrf_bufferSize(handle, uplo, n, A, n,
&workSize);
cudaMalloc((void**) &buffer, workSize);
// Compute the factorization
cusolverDnDpotrf(handle, uplo, n, A, n, buffer, workSize,
&info);
```

# Some routines in cuSolverDN

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- Factorization:
  - [potrf](#), [potrs](#) for Cholesky factorization and linear system solving, see [potrfBatched](#) and [potrsBatched](#) for batched versions
  - [getrf](#), [getrs](#) for LU factorization and linear system solving
  - [geqrf](#) for QR factorization
  - [sytrf](#) for LDL factorization
- Eigenvalue problems:
  - [gesvd](#) for SVD decomposition
  - [syevd](#) for Eigenvalue decomposition
  - [sygvd](#) for general Eigenvalue decomposition



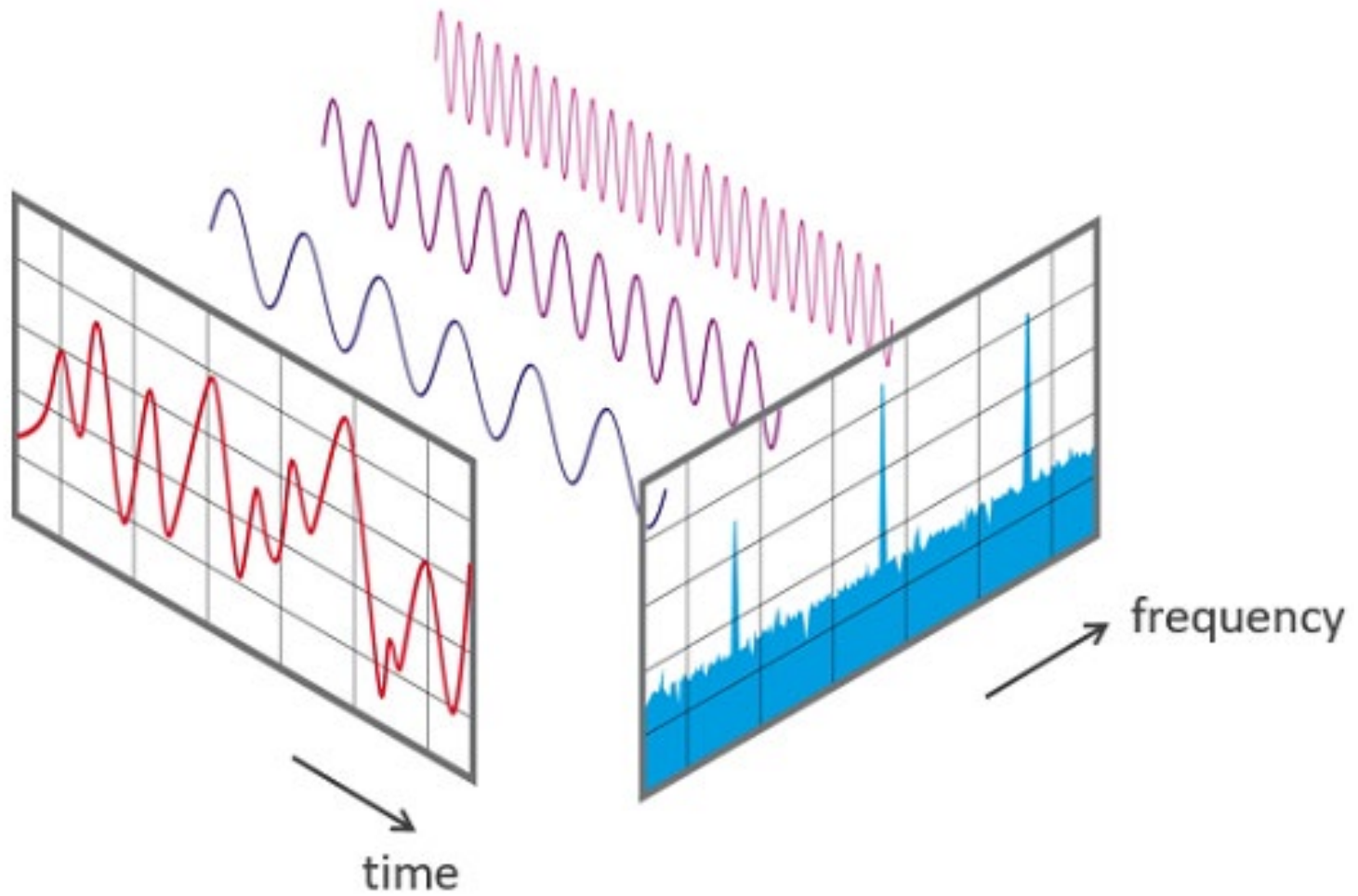
# Compiling and linking w cuSOLVER

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- In order to compile and link against **cuSOLVER**, the user needs to:
  - Include the appropriate header in the required files
    - **#include <cusolverDn.h>** for **cuSOLVER** dense functionality
    - **#include <cusolverSp.h>** for **cuSOLVER** sparse functionality
    - **#include <cusolverRf.h>** for **cuSOLVER** refactorization functionality
  - Link against the **cuSOLVER** library:
    - For dynamic linking use the flag **-lcusolver**
    - For static linking use the flags **-lcusolver\_static -llapack\_static**

# cuFFT

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# Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

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- Widely used in signal processing from astronomical radio signals to image processing and many other areas
- The forward Discrete Fourier Transform is given by:

$$X_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n e^{-i\omega kn}$$

where  $(x_0, \dots, x_{N-1})$  is the input signal,  $(X_0, \dots, X_{N-1})$  the transformed signal,  $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{N}$  and  $i$  the imaginary unit

- Given the transformed signal it's possible to recover the input signal, this process is known as the inverse transform

# Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

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- A fast method to compute the DFT of a signal, with computational complexity of  $O(N \log_2 N)$  whereas the DFT has  $O(N^2)$  complexity
- A cornerstone of numeric algorithms for its many applications and speed
- cuFFT is CUDA implementation of several FFT algorithms
- cuFFT is especially fast for input sizes of  $2^a 3^b 5^c 7^d$  elements
- cuFFT provides 1D, 2D and 3D transforms, as well as:
  - C2C complex input to complex output
  - R2C real input to complex output
  - C2R complex input to real output
- cuFFT provides Multi-GPU support through the cuFFT Xt API

# cuFFT plans & environment

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- Plans contain necessary information to compute a transform, such as:
  - The best algorithm to use for the specified size
  - Memory resources needed by cuFFT to compute the transform
- Plans need to be created before executing the transform and destroyed after the user is done using them
- There exists 2 main ways to create plans:
  - Through the basic plan API:
    - `cufftPlan1D`, `cufftPlan2D`, `cufftPlan3D`, `cufftPlanMany`
    - Aimed for easy setup
  - Through the extensible plan API:
    - `cufftCreate`, `cufftMakePlan1D`, `cufftMakePlan2D`, `cufftMakePlan3D`, `cufftMakePlanMany`, `cufftMakePlanMany64`
    - Aimed for customization and extensibility

# cuFFT numeric data types

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- cuFFT offers the following numeric types:
  - `cufftReal` for single precision real numbers
  - `cufftDouble` for double precision real numbers
  - `cufftComplex` for single precision complex numbers
  - `cufftDoubleComplex` for double precision complex numbers
- For simplicity, the rest of the slides will use `real` and `complex` for referring to `cufftReal/cufftDouble` and `cufftComplex/cufftDoubleComplex` respectively
- For memory size considerations is important to note that:

$$\text{sizeof}(\text{complex}) = 2 * \text{sizeof}(\text{real})$$

# Data layout for 1D out-of-place fft

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- Out of place transforms have different memory regions for the input and output signal
- Input and output sizes for each transform:

Type	Input size in bytes	Output size in bytes
C2C	$N * \text{sizeof}(\text{complex})$	$N * \text{sizeof}(\text{complex})$
C2R	$(\lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 1) * \text{sizeof}(\text{complex})$	$N * \text{sizeof}(\text{real})$
R2C	$N * \text{sizeof}(\text{real})$	$(\lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 1) * \text{sizeof}(\text{complex})$

- Custom strides in the layout causes cuFFT to overwrite the input array in the C2R transform
- The size of the output array in R2C consists of  $\lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 1$  complex numbers due to “Hermitan” redundancy property of the transform

# Data layout for 1D in-place fft

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- In place transforms stores the output result in the input array
- Array sizes for each transform:

Type	Array size in bytes
C2C	$N * \text{sizeof}(\text{complex})$
C2R	$(\lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 1) * \text{sizeof}(\text{complex})$
R2C	$(\lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 1) * \text{sizeof}(\text{complex})$

- The sizes of C2R and R2C are due to the transform needs to hold at most  $(\lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 1)$  complex numbers
- In R2C only the first N **real** entries are filled with input data, the rest of the array is allocated for the output



# cuFFT extensible API

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- Provided for customization and extensibility compared to the basic API
  - Typical usage of the extensible API:
    - Initialize **cufftHandle**
    - Make a plan
    - Compute transforms
    - Destroy the plan in **cufftHandle**
  - Every function returns an error status with type **cufftResult**
- **cufftHandle**
    - Type used by cuFFT to store plans
  - **cufftCreate(cufftHandle\* handle)**
    - Creates a cuFFT handle
    - Parameters:
      - Pointer to cuFFT handle to create
  - **cufftDestroy(cufftHandle handle)**
    - Destroys resources of a cuFFT plan
    - Parameters:
      - cuFFT handle with the context to destroy
  - **cufftResult**
    - Type used by cuFFT for reporting errors
    - Every cuFFT returns an error status

# cuFFT workspace memory

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- cuFFT by default auto allocates on plan creation the workspace memory needed for computations
- cuFFT allows the user to provide the memory region to be used for the workspace
- To disable auto allocation, the user needs to call `cufftSetAutoAllocation()` after `cufftCreate()` and before `cufftMakeplan*()`
- `cufftSetAutoAllocation()`:
  - Sets if cuFFT should use auto workspace allocation
  - Parameters:
    - `cufftHandle` plan handle
    - integer indicating whether to allocate workspace area, 0:false & 1:true

# cuFFT workspace memory

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- If auto allocation has been disabled, the user needs to:
    - Get the size of the workspace area needed by cuFFT
    - Allocate device memory with the size specified by cuFFT
    - Set the memory region to be used by the plan
  - Allocating and setting the workspace memory needs to be done after plan creation and before plan execution
- **cufftGetSize()**:
    - Gets the size in bytes needed by the cuFFT plan
    - Parameters:
      - **cufftHandle** plan handle
      - pointer to `size_t` variable to store the size
  - **cufftSetWorkArea()**:
    - Sets the memory region to be used by the cuFFT plan
    - Parameters:
      - **cufftHandle** plan handle
      - Pointer to device memory region

# Creating cuFFT plans

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- cuFFT allows 1, 2 and 3 dimensional transforms
- Available planning routines:
  - `cufftMakePlan1d`: for 1d transforms
  - `cufftMakePlan2d`: for 2d transforms
  - `cufftMakePlan3d`: for 3d transforms
  - `cufftMakePlanMany`: for 1, 2 and 3D transforms with support for strided input and output memory layouts
  - `cufftMakePlanMany64`: same as `cufftMakePlanMany` but with 64-bit support for sizes and strides
- `cufftMakePlan1d()`:
  - Creates a plan for a 1D transform
  - Parameters:
    - `cufftHandle` plan handle
    - Size of the transform
    - `cufftType` type of the transform
    - Number of transforms to perform in batch
    - `size_t` pointer to the size in bytes of the workspace area
- `cufftType` types:
  - `CUFFT_R2C`, `CUFFT_C2R`, `CUFFT_C2C` for single precision transforms
  - `CUFFT_D2Z`, `CUFFT_Z2D`, `CUFFT_Z2Z` for double precision transforms

# cuFFT plan and transform exec

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- After plan creation the user can execute the transform
- The execution function depends on the type of the transform:
  - `cufftExecC2C` and `cufftExecZ2Z` for complex to complex transforms
  - `cufftExecR2C` and `cufftExecD2Z` for real to complex transforms
  - `cufftExecC2R` and `cufftExecZ2D` for complex to complex transforms
- `cufftExec<t>()`:
  - Executes the transform specified by the plan:
  - Parameters:
    - `cufftHandle` plan handle
    - pointer to input array
    - pointer to output array
    - `(*)` Transform direction:
      - `CUFFT_FORWARD` for forward transform
      - `CUFFT_INVERSE` for the inverse transform
      - `(*)` This argument only exists when `<t>` is either C2C or Z2Z
  - If the input and output pointers are the same cuFFT will perform an in-place transform

# Streams API and thread safety

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- cuFFT permits the use of cuda streams (`cudaStream_t`) for increasing resource usage and introduce other levels of parallelism
- cuFFT is a thread safe library if functions host threads execute computations on different plans and output memory regions
- `cufftSetStream()`:
  - Sets the stream to be used by cuFFT for subsequent computations
  - Parameters:
    - cuFFT handle to set the stream
    - cuda stream to use

# Example: Cross correlation in 1D

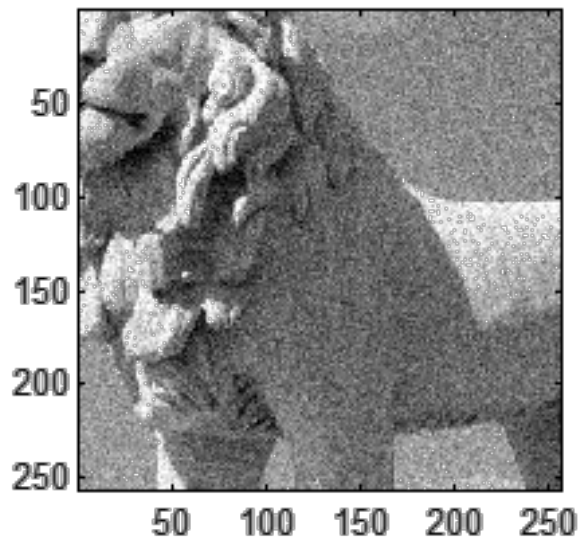
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cufftComplex *x, *y, *z;  
// Allocate and initialize the signals  
cufftHandle plan;  
cufftCreate(&plan); // Create the handle  
cufftMakePlan1d(plan, n, CUFFT_C2C , 1); // Create the plan  
cufftExecC2C(plan, x, x, CUFFT_FORWARD); // Compute the forward x transform  
cufftExecC2C(plan, y, y, CUFFT_FORWARD); // Compute the forward y transform  
// Launch a kernel executing  $z[i]=x[i] * y[i]$   
cufftExecC2C(plan, z, z, CUFFT_INVERSE);  
cufftDestroy(&plan); // Destroy the plan
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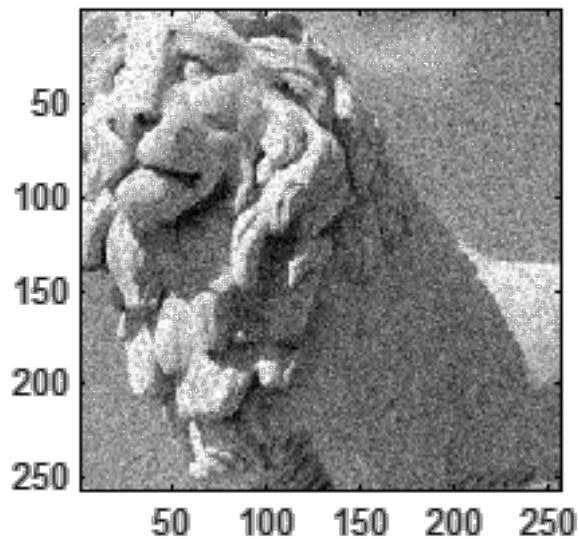
# Example cross correlation in 2D

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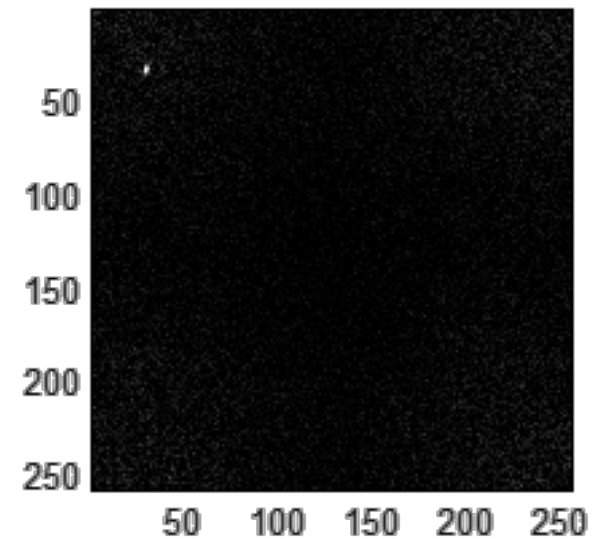
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Phase Correlation





# Compiling and linking cuFFT

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- In order to compile and link against cuFFT, the user needs to:
  - Include the header “`#include < cufft.h >`” in the appropriate files
  - Link against the cuFFT library:
    - For dynamic linking use the flag `-lcufft`
    - For static linking and a version of cuda 9.0 or later use the flags `-lcufft_static`  
`-lcublas`

# Introduction to CUDA

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