Practical Course on Parallel Computing o SoSe2016

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Assignment Sheet #11
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Organizational hints and related background were presented in the lecture and also can be found in the lecture notes (uploaded to Stud.IP). Send your solution files in a compressed ZIP archive to fzhang@gwdg.de. You can find the programs or templates referred to in the assignments in the directory in Stud.IP.

Prepare environment

- (1) You can use your own CUDA machine. Here you can find whether your machine has a CUDA-enabled GPU:https://developer.nvidia.com/cuda-gpus. Here you can find the installation guide of CUDA toolkit:
- docs.nvidia.com/cuda/cuda-quick-start-guide/index.html#axzz4BrcI0U10.
- (2) In case that you do not have a CUDA-capable machine at your disposable, you can use the following login to develop and test your solutions:

ssh < uni-user > @c6.num.math.uni-goettingen.de

Please substitute <uni-user> with your student account. If your student account are not recognized by this server, access the following server firstly, and then your account is registered.

ssh < uni-user > @login.math.uni-goettingen.de

If your account still does not work, you can go to the media room of the Institute of Mathematics (Bunsenstr. 3-5) to login your account on any computer there, and then your account is registered.

Exercise 1 - Matrix Addition (5 Points)

Read and understand the code in the file e1.cu. It implements the addition of two matrixes with N*N blocks.

- 1. How does each block index the element of the two matrixes? Finish the kernel function.
- 2. Implement the addition of the two matrixes with 1 block of N*N threads by changing the file e1.cu. Do not forget to change the element index method.
- 3. How about implementing the addition by combining two-dimensional threads with two-dimensional blocks? Assume each block has 4*4 two-dimensional threads, how to set your two-dimensional blocks? Implement it by changing the corresponding part of the file e1.cu.

Exercise 2 - Matrix Multiplication (4 Points)

e2.cu is an template to implement matrix multiplication (C = A * B). Finish the two following portions in this file.

- 1. Launch the kernel on two-dimensional blocks. Each block further has two-dimensional threads. You can decide the size of each dimension.
- 2. Finish the kernel function to implement matrix multiplication. Note: each thread calculate one element of matrix C.

Exercise 3 - 1-d Stencils (6 Points)

Implement a stencil function. A 1-d stencil operates on a linear array. It transforms the array into an array of the same length. Each output element is the sum of the neighbouring elements in the original array. Assuming a radius of r, each element will be the sum of 2^*r+1 elements: the original element itself and its r neighbours to the left and to the right. The illustration below shows an example with r = 3.



- 1. Implement the stencil using C in a sequential host-version and in a parallel CUDA version. At the boundaries assume that there are elements with 0-entries.
- 2. Run the sequential version and parallel version with various array lengths and r. You should see a clear speedup when comparing both implementations. Plot your performance results into a figure.