

# Transition: CUDA ↔ OpenCL



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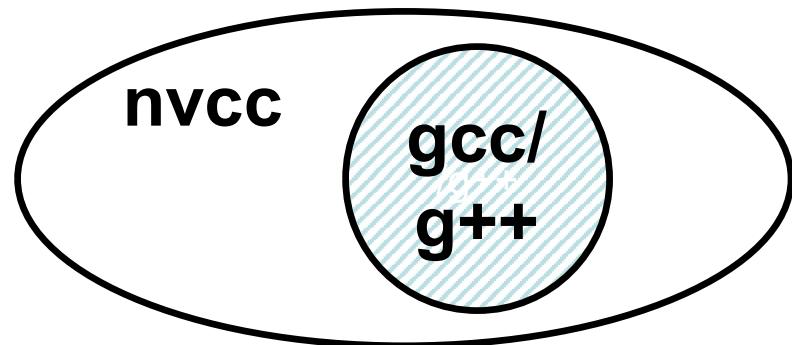
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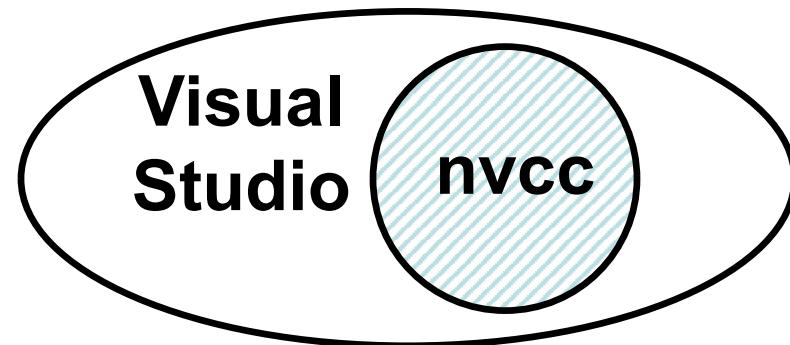
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  - Can share #defines
  - Can share information on the GPU function calling sequence
- Nvidia-only
- Much utility code provided (linear algebra, machine learning, etc.)
- Well-respected in the research community
- Need special compiler options



**Linux**



**Windows**

# OpenCL Summary

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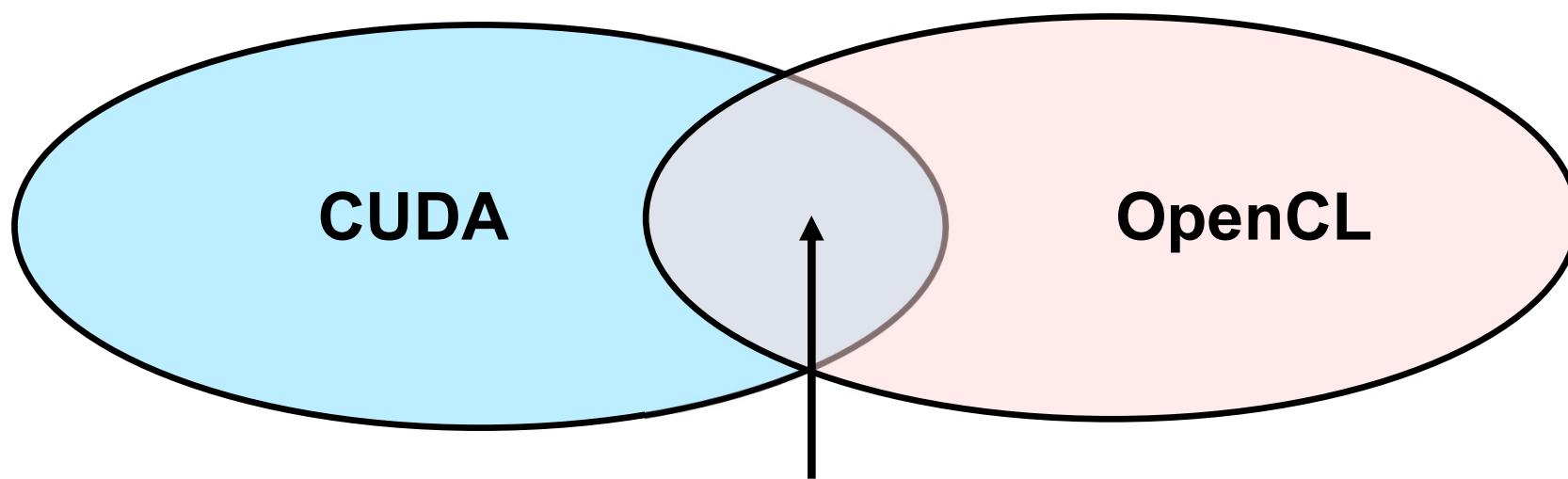
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- Allocate data space in GPU memory
- Transfer data from CPU to GPU
- Execute a kernel to compute on that data
- Transfer data back from the GPU to the CPU

