Lab1 Report

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Part A Saxpy

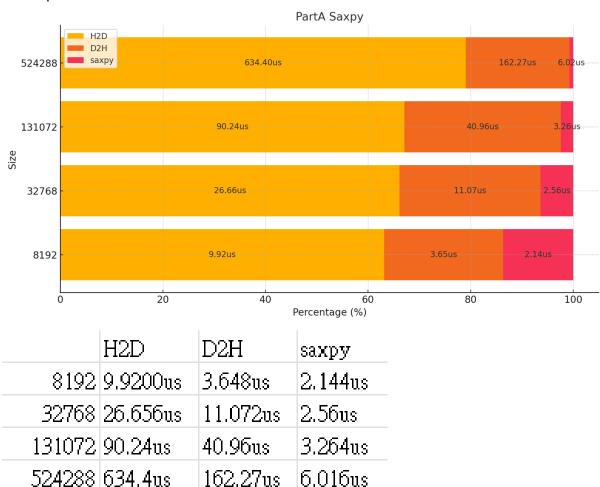
Design:

In the design of the saxpy, I allocate and init the vector in the host function, after that I pass the array into each thread for them to compute the corresponding value.

```
int runGpuSaxpy(int vectorSize) {
    std::cout << "Hello GPU Saxpy!\n";</pre>
    // Insert code here
    float *host_a, *host_b, *host_c;
    float scale = 2.0f;
    host_a = (float *) malloc(vectorSize * sizeof(float));
    host_b = (float *) malloc(vectorSize * sizeof(float));
    host_c = (float *) malloc(vectorSize * sizeof(float));
    vectorInit(host_a, vectorSize);
    vectorInit(host_b, vectorSize);
    std::memcpy(host_c, host_b, vectorSize * sizeof(float));
    float *device_a, *device_b;
    cudaMalloc((void**)&device_a, vectorSize * sizeof(float));
    cudaMalloc((void**)&device_b, vectorSize * sizeof(float));
    cudaMemcpy(device_a,host_a,vectorSize * sizeof(float),cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
    cudaMemcpy(device b,host b,vectorSize * sizeof(float),cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
    // operation
    int threadsPerBlock = 256;
    int blocksPerGrid = (vectorSize + threadsPerBlock - 1) / threadsPerBlock;
    saxpy_gpu<<<blocksPerGrid, threadsPerBlock>>>(device_a, device_b, scale, vectorSize);
    cudaMemcpy(host_c,device_b,vectorSize * sizeof(float), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost);
    int errorCount = verifyVector(host_a, host_b, host_c, scale, vectorSize);
    std::cout << "Found " << errorCount << " / " << vectorSize << " errors \n";</pre>
    cudaFree(device a);
    cudaFree(device_b);
    return 0;
```

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__global__
void saxpy_gpu (float* x, float* y, float scale, int size) {
    // Insert GPU SAXPY kernel code here
    int idx = threadIdx.x + blockIdx.x *blockDim.x;
    // printf("count:%d, %d %d\n",threadIdx.x, blockIdx.x, blockDim.x);
    if(idx<size){
        y[idx] = scale*x[idx]+y[idx];
    }
}</pre>
```

Test experiments:



For the Saxpy program, we could see the GPU activities. When the sampleSize keeps in low, CUDA program will not spend too much percentage of time passing the data to the kernel and reading it back(hostToDevice and deviceToHost). However, when the sample size increases, we can see that the time for transporting data will increase dramatically compared to the saxpy execution time. Thus, we can get a conclusion that when the sample size is not large enough, it is better to optimize the kernel code so that it could execute more efficiently; if the code is having a large enough dataset, it is better to optimize the data transport method to better have a lower execution time.

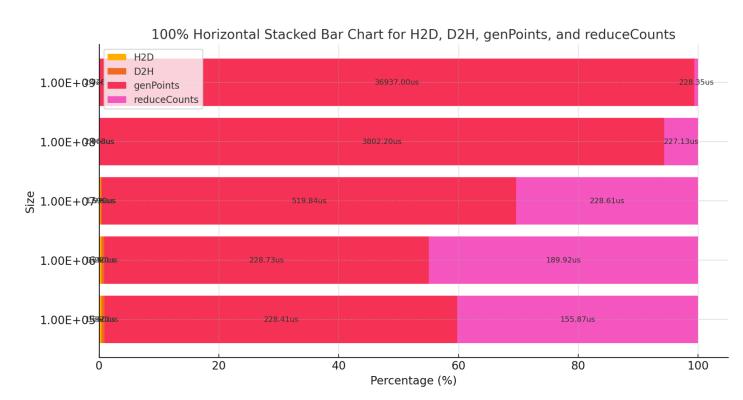
Part B Monte Carlo

Design:

In part B, I implement the code with the sharing design. Every time when the code receives the sampleSize, it would equally split the workload to the existing thread. For example, if we got 32 threads then for each thread it will handle the sample id whose module is equal to its id number. So that we can ensure all of the task can equally split to all of the threads.

```
ouble estimatePi(uint64_t generateThreadCount, uint64_t sampleSize,
   uint64_t reduceThreadCount, uint64_t reduceSize) {
   double approxPi = 0;
   unsigned long* host_hitCount;
   host_hitCount = (unsigned long*) calloc(generateThreadCount, sizeof(unsigned long));
   unsigned long* device_hitCount;
   int threadsPerBlock = 64;
   int blocksPerGrid = (generateThreadCount + threadsPerBlock - 1) / threadsPerBlock;
  int pSumSize = sampleSize / generateThreadCount;
cudaMalloc((void**)&device_hitCount, generateThreadCount * sizeof(unsigned long));
   cudaMemcpy(device_hitCount,host_hitCount,generateThreadCount * sizeof(unsigned long),cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
   generatePoints<<<blooksPerGrid, threadsPerBlock>>>(device_hitCount,pSumSize,sampleSize);
   cudaDeviceSynchronize();
   unsigned long* host_reduceHitCount;
   host reduceHitCount = (unsigned long*) calloc(reduceThreadCount, sizeof(unsigned long));
   unsigned long * device_reduceHitCount;
   \verb| cudaMalloc((void**)\&device_reduceHitCount, reduceThreadCount * sizeof(unsigned long)); \\
   reduceCounts<<<br/>blocksPerGrid, threadsPerBlock>>>(device_hitCount,device_reduceHitCount,generateThreadCount,reduceSize);<br/>cudaMemcpy(host_reduceHitCount,device_reduceHitCount,reduceThreadCount * sizeof(unsigned long), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost)
   for(int i=0;i<reduceSize;i++){</pre>
       approxPi += host_reduceHitCount[i];
   approxPi = ((double)approxPi / sampleSize);
   approxPi = approxPi * 4.0f;
   cudaFree(device_hitCount);
   return approxPi;
```

Test experiment:



	H2D	D2H	genPoints	reduceCounts
1.00E+05	1.6биѕ	1.92us	228.41us	155.87us
1.00E+06	1.69us	1.92us	228.73us	189.92us
1.00E+07	1.696us	1.92us	519.84us	228.61us
1.00E+08	1.663us	2.048us	3.8022ms	227.13us
1.00E+09	1.7280us	2.0480us	36.937ms	228.35us

Based on the graph and the results we can see that when the sampleSize increases, the generatePoints function will dominate the execution time due to increased distance calculations. When it comes to fewer sampleSize, others like reduceCount function or the HostToDevice and DeviceToHost will increase their percentages. Also, we can find out that by utilizing the multi-threads strategy, it can dramatically reduce the execution time when the same amount of sampleSize is executing in the cpu version.

Also, the reason why reduceCounts cost a lot is because I used the module function inside of it, if we want to further reduce the execution time we could optimize the function so that it will not take module action inside the for loop.