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High Performance Computing with GPUs Exercise Sheet No. 3

Exercise Neuronal Networks

In the directory /scratch/GPU/src you find a CPU program for neuronal networks. You may copy the files, make a binary and call the program with

./neuron -p /scratch/GPU/test.dat -t /scratch/GPU/train.dat -n /scratch/GPU/network.inp (there is no need to copy the dat-files).

All functionality to be changed is mainly located in the function network.c. Other files should not be touched to start with. Data layout may be found in net_include.h. I suggest to keep this layout and organize the data on the GPU similarly.

Your task is to port this program to be used with a GPU. To start with, only the expensive back propagation has to be ported. It is the function grad located in network.c. Multiplying matrices with vectors and including a function for the rank-1 update (named sger) should be an easy task with help of the cublas-library. The most important arrays are allocated in function net_init. Please note, that there is one allocation for all layers, that is for example,

size=sizeof(float)*2*network.l_prod;

cuda_Memcpy(d_net[1].w_in,net[1].w_in,size,cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);

will copy all weights and all derivates of the weights from host to device for all layers.

In network.inp the network layout is defined. It contains 784 neurons as input layer. This number reflects the size of each image which is 28×28 . Each image contains a hand written digit. Therefore the number of output neurons is 10, according to the 10 digits. The output neuron with largest value is the one selected.