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Hybrid CUDA/MPI

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Goal: Effectively use hardware

- Algorithm should lay nicely on the hardware.
- CUDA deal killers
  - Recursion
  - Dependence between threads
  - High data motion / computation ratio
- CUDA/MPI Division of labor
  - MPI moves data to/from nodes with CUDA devices
  - CUDA is used for the compute it does best
  - Design implementation around compute, hence CUDA
Development Strategy

- Create Serial, CUDA versions of code, then add MPI
- Move data to/from CPU memory to CUDA Global memory
- Core computation in threads of a block
  - Using Shared memory
  - Synchronization of threads is possible
- Blocks execute independently
- CUDA orchestra can have only one conductor
  - If multiple MPI processes on processor then only one can successfully drive a CUDA device YMMV
  - MPI_Get_processor_name helps debug (remember Charlie and Aaron’s talk)
Mojo allowing Hybrid

- Both CUDA and MPI compilation necessary
  - So we do both-> CUDA first then MPI
  - `nvcc -arch sm_13 --compiler-bindir mpicc driver.c kernel.cu`
  - `driver.c` does serial and MPI parts
  - `Kernel.cu` does CUDA care and feeding
CUDA/MPI on sooner

- You have example makefiles and bsub files for each
- Key things to navigate
  - Job queue is “cuda”
  - CUDA cards can be reserved by using:
    #BSUB –R “select[cuda > 0]”
    #BSUB –R “rusage[cuda=2]”
  - Ken’s CUDA code reveals two CUDA devices per node, so no more than two MPI processes per node
- My code is in progress
  - Bsub files need to be moved to standard form
  - Makefile designed to show all mojo in one place
  - tmurphy/NCSIPARII2011_exercises/PI_Hybrid
Possible Lab Assignments

- My code is in progress
  - Bsub files need to be moved to standard form
  - Makefile designed to show all mojo in one place
  - tmurphy/NCSIPARII2011_exercises/PI_Hybrid
  - pi_cuda.cu
    - Doesn't produce correct results
    - Needs to alter and be altered by other pi codes for as much similarity as possible

- Assignments
  - Get pi_cuda.cu working
  - Design and code pi_cudampi.cu and pi_cudampi.c
Coming to a Classroom near You

- I have 50 line area under a semicircle code to calculate pi
- Goal is Rosetta stone of simple codes
  - To see similarities and differences
  - To speed learning since algorithm very familial
  - Error management implicit as number of segments rises
- Have serial and MPI versions
- CUDA might be in place even as we speak
- CUDA/MPI is your (and my) lab assignment
- CUDA/OpenMP/MPI is my dream since it will lay down nice on LittleFe
The Code (first comment block)

/*  calculating pi via area under the curve
 *  This code uses an algorithm fairly easily ported to all parallel methods.
 *  Since it calculates pi, it is easy to verify that results are correct.
 *  It can also be used to explore accuracy of results and techniques for managing error.
 */
The Code (second comment block)

/*  students learn in grammar school that the area of a circle is
    pi*radius*radius.
*  They learn in high school that the formula of a circle is x^2
  + y^2 = radius^2.
*  Using these facts allows students to calculate pi by
  estimating area by constructing trapezoids
*  Area of unit circle is pi, y = sqrt(1-x^2) is formula for
  semicircle from -1 to 1
*  Because of symmetry we only need to consider the area
  under the curve from 0 to 1
*/
The Code (setup)

```
numSeg = atoi(argv[1]);
    /* get number of segments from command line */

segWidth = 1.0 / numSeg;
    /* calculate width of each segment*/

areas = (double *) malloc(numSeg*sizeof(double));
    /* allocate dynamic array to hold areas of trapezoids*/
```
The Code (heavy lifting)

/* calculate area of trapezoid for each segment*/
for (i=0; i<numSeg; ++i) {
    new_x  = (1.0 + i) / numSeg;
    new_y  = sqrt(1.0 - new_x * new_x);
    areas[i] = segWidth * 0.5 * (old_y + new_y);
    old_y   = new_y;
}

/* calculate pi/4, with room for better error mgmt */
for (i=0; i<numSeg; ++i) quarterPI += areas[i];
printf("pi = %15.10f\n", 4.0 *quarterPI);
Thanks for your attention!

Questions?