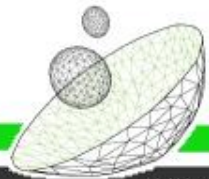


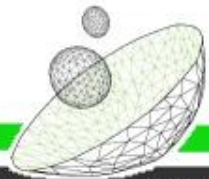
Altimesh Hybridizer™

Enabling Accelerators in .Net and more

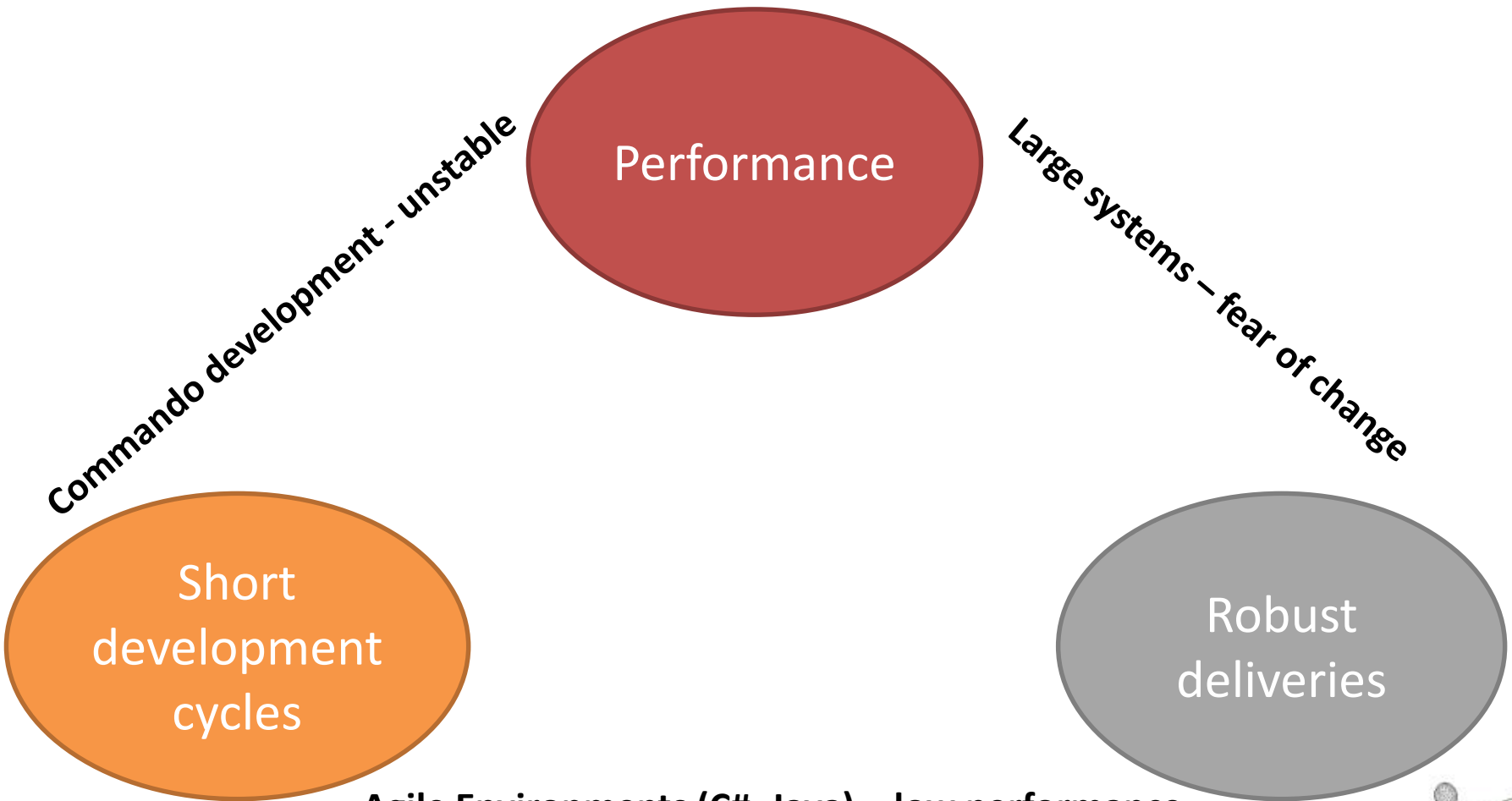


So many platforms, so few experts...

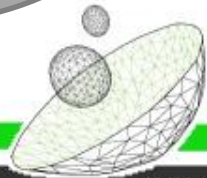
WHY THE HYBRIDIZER ?



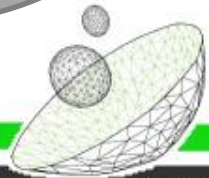
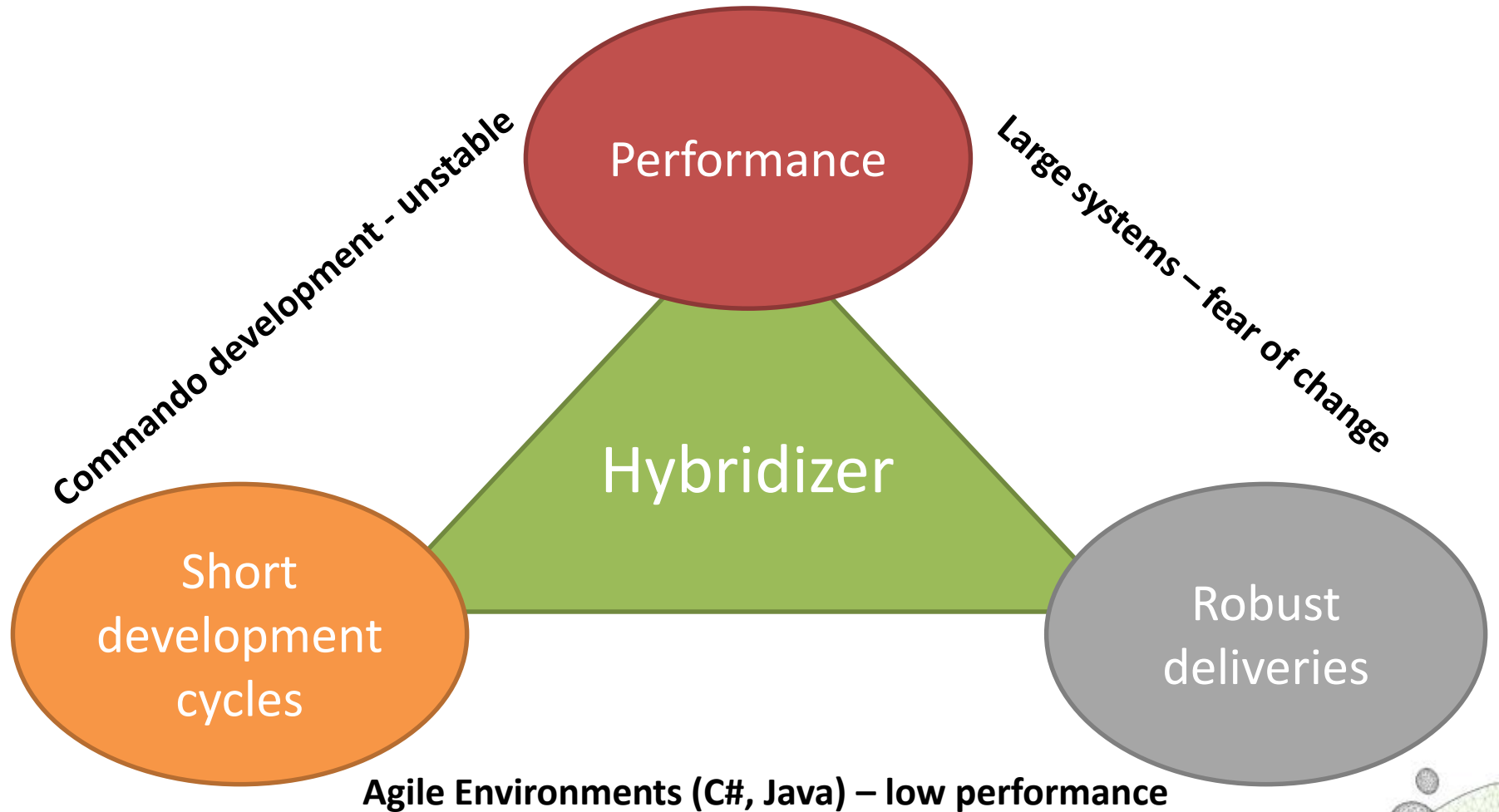
Software development teams accommodate external constraints



Agile Environments (C#, Java) – low performance



Software development teams accommodate external constraints



Why the Hybridizer?

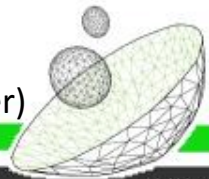
- Develop in a managed environment (C#/Java)
 - Fast developments (fast compile time, edit and continue...)
 - Testing and refactoring ecosystem
 - Glitch-safe memory management
 - Embrace Change

HIGHER PRODUCTIVITY REDUCE TCO OF APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT

- Benefit from manycore architectures
 - *With single version of the source code*
 - Obtain first grade performances (use >80% of peak)
 - Fine tune optimizations with debugger/profiler integration
 - Variety of execution platforms
 - Change execution target without rewriting code

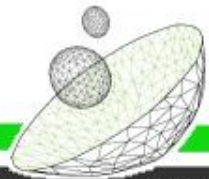
MORE EFFICIENT HARDWARE REDUCE TCO OF DATA CENTERS

IT spending : approx 30% in hardware and approx 20% in application development (Source : Gartner)



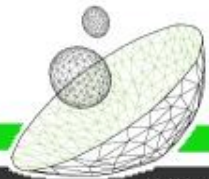
What the Hybridizer is not

- Hybridizer is not a magic wand: some hints have to be given
 - Memory management is performed either in a naïve way, or needs to be done by hand
 - Memory level usages need to be defined
 - Some execution behaviors cannot be guessed
- Work distribution needs to be explicit
 - Loop parallelization is not automatic
 - Concurrency needs to be handled by hand
 - Code patterns need to be changed from sequential to parallel



What the Hybridizer does

- Generates **source code** from **binaries**
 - Input is dot net binary (C#, VB.Net, Managed C++, other MSIL languages, Java)
 - Output is source code that can be used in various environments (plain C/C++ projects, CUDA projects, Windows/Linux, DotNet / Java runtimes)
- Supports the following language constructs
 - Virtual functions, generic types
 - Use of external libraries with seamless integration (e.g. CUBLAS, CURAND for CUDA environment) – user-extensible
 - Perform debugging within original source code – say C#. (this feature needs pdb)



What the Hybridizer does

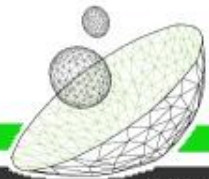
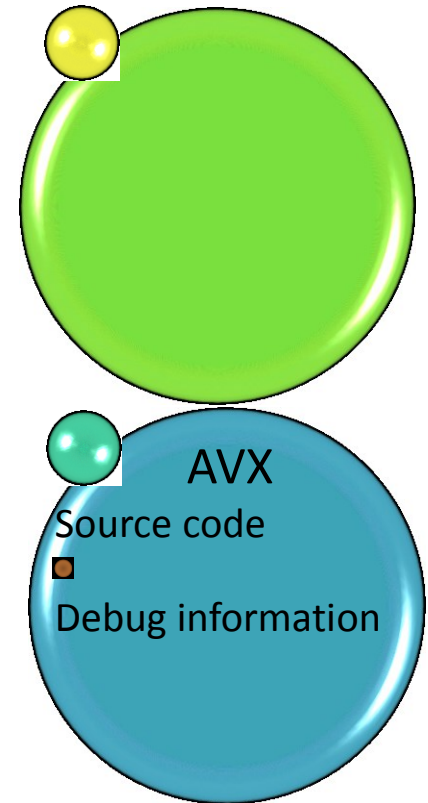
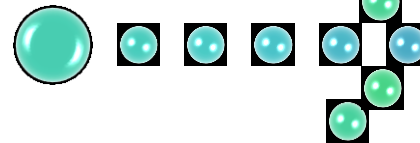
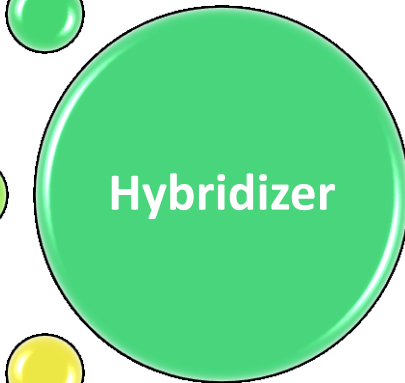
.Net binaries (from C#,
F#, VB.Net, binary MSIL)



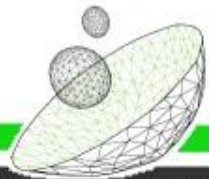
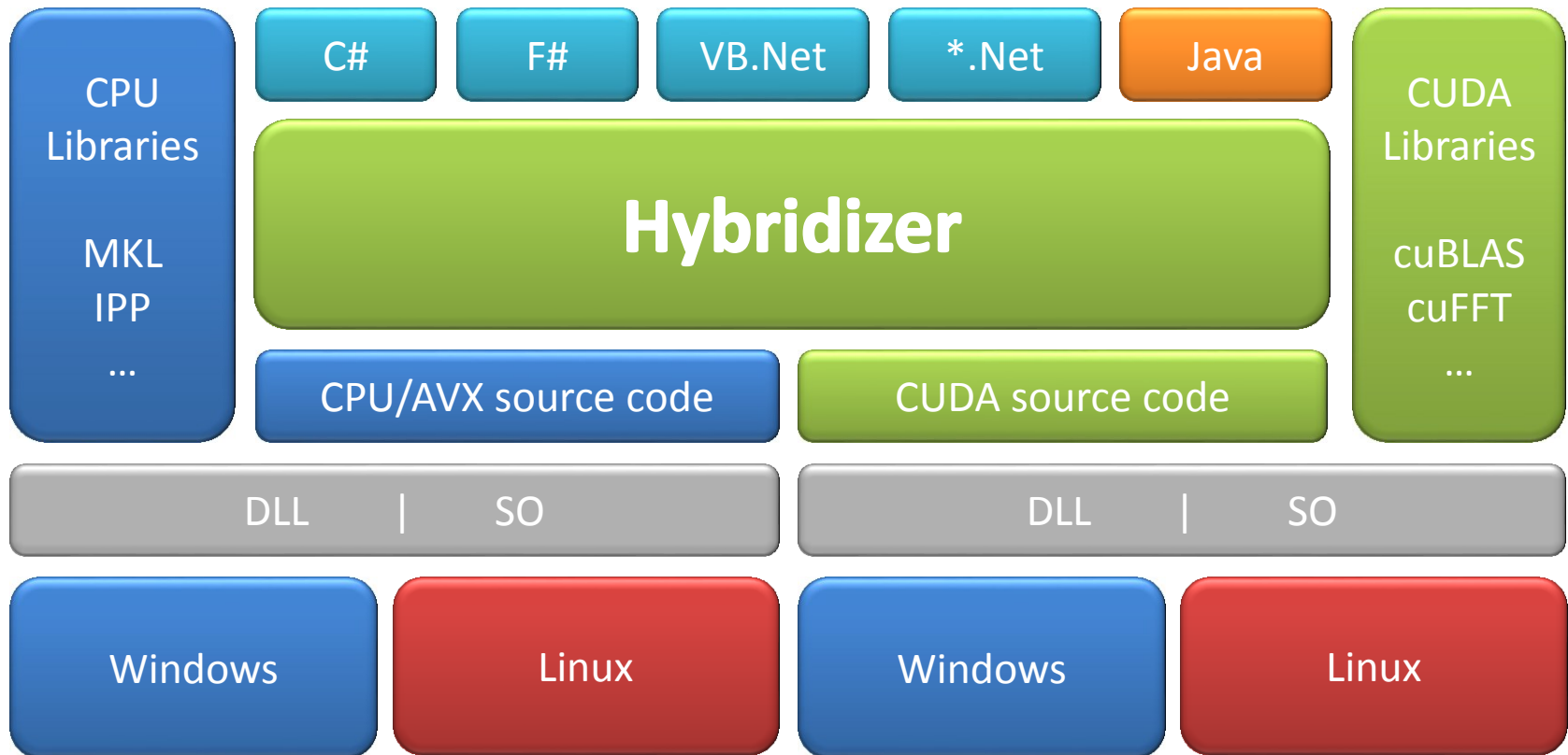
External libraries
(e.g. cuBLAS,
cuRAND, cuFFT)



Customizations /
Optimizations

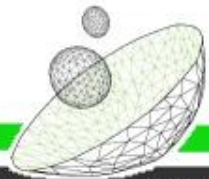


Software Stack



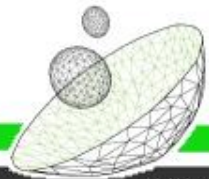
Flexibility of managed environments,
80%+ usage of hardware

HYBRIDIZER IN ACTION



Basic features

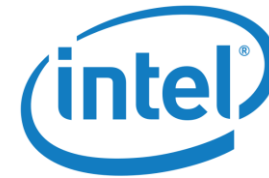
- CUDA-style work distribution
- Seamless integration (attribute-based)
- Extensibility:
 - Usage of existing functions (erfc, hand-written, ...)
 - Usage of external libraries (cuBLAS, cuRand, ...)
 - Printf available using Console.Out / System.out
 - System.Math maps to <cmath> functions
- Customizable memory management
 - Zero copy arrays
 - Resident array (single copy for multiple kernel calls)



Performances bandwidth & double precision



KEPLER – K20C



i7-3610 QM - AVX

Compute	GCFLOPS	usage	GFLOPS	usage
whetstone	541	92%	43.2	87%
peak	587	-	49.6	-

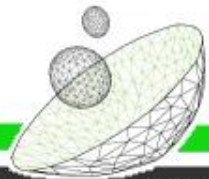
NOTE : Whetstone is our internal naive reproduction of the basic Whetstone test operating on doubles

Memory	GB/s	usage	GB/s	usage
stream	162	78%	20.4	80%
peak	208	-	25.6	-

NOTE : FMA IS COUNTED AS 1 FLOP HENCE REDUCING PEAK TO HALF
1 CFLOP = 1^{e9} FMA DP – MEASURES ON K20C

1GB/s = 1^{e9}bytes /s here – MEASURES ON K20C – ECC OFF – CUDA 5.0

CORE i7-3610 QM (HT activated) @ 2.3 GHz
TurboBoost @ 3.1 GHz (observed using monitor)
AVX - OpenMP with 8 threads (4 cores)



Virtual Functions

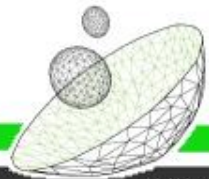
Support for Virtual functions

Function overriding : using inheritance

Use of Interfaces (single or multiple interfaces on classes or structs)

Native integration: no dedicated code needed.

```
public interface ISimple
{
    int f();
}
public class Answer : ISimple
{
    [Kernel]
    public int f()
    {
        return 42 ;
    }
}
public class Other : ISimple
{
    [Kernel]
    public int f()
    {
        return 12;
    }
}
```



Performances virtual functions



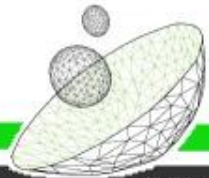
KEPLER – K20C

Expm1 ²	GFLOPS	GCFLOPS	usage
Local	975	538	92%
Dispatch	478	263	45%
peak	1174	587	-

Virtual functions suffer significant performance penalty

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²: EXPM1 IS A TAYLOR EXPANSION OF EXP(X)-1: (1 ADDITION, 13 FUSED MULTIPLY ADD, 2 MULTIPLY)



Improve performances with Generics

Generics can be converted to Templates

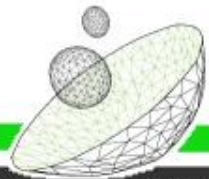
Generic constraints lead to usage of template functions (no virtual call)

Performances are very close to performance obtained with local functions (no inheritance/interface)

```
[HybridTemplateConcept]
public interface IMyArray {
    double this[int index] { get; set; }
}

[HybridRegisterTemplate(Specialize=typeof(MyAlgorithm<MyArray>))]
public struct MyArray : IMyArray
{
    double[] _data;
    [Kernel] public double this[int index] {
        get { return _data[index]; }
        set { _data[index] = value; }
    }
}

public class MyAlgorithm<T> where T : struct, IMyArray
{
    T a, b;
    [Kernel] public void Add(int n) {
        for (int k = threadIdx.x + blockDim.x * blockIdx.x;
            k < n; k += blockDim.x * gridDim.x)
            a[k] += b[k];
    }
}
```



Performances generics



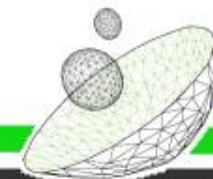
KEPLER – K20C

Expm1 ²	GFLOPS	GCFLOPS	usage
Local	975	538	92%
Dispatch	478	263	45%
Generics	985	544	93%
peak	1174	587	-

Mapping generics to templates restores performances

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Performances single precision



KEPLER – GTX 680

1536 cores @ 1006 GHz = 1545 GCFLOPS

MAXWELL – GTX 750Ti

640 cores @ 1.085 GHz = 694.4 GCFLOPS

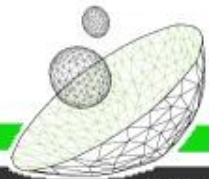
Expm1 ² benchmark	GCFLOPS	Usage	GCFLOPS	usage
Local	953.6 - 1234	61% - 80%	450.8 - 660.0	65% - 95%
Dispatch	392.3 - 632.7	25% - 41%	171.0 - 343.2	25% - 49%
Template	958.1 - 1069	62% - 69%	440.3 - 539.3	63% - 78%
peak	1545	-	694.4	-

without - *with*
vectorization

without - *with*
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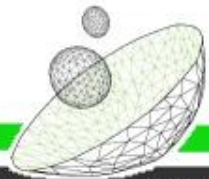
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Developers perspective

INTEGRATION WITH VISUAL STUDIO



Debugging session using NSIGHT for Visual Studio [2010]

The screenshot displays the Visual Studio IDE with a C# file named `MapReduceSample.cs`. The code defines a `Discount` class implementing `IMapOperator`. A breakpoint is set at the start of the `F(int i)` kernel method. The Watch window shows the following variables:

Nom	Valeur	Type
rate	0.0261487155552715	double
pself->rates[i]	0.0261487155552715	__device__ double&
pself->nbSims	0x00011800	__device__ int
threadIdx	{x = 0x00000000, y = 0x00000000, z = 0x00000000}	const uint3
x	0x00000000	unsigned int
y	0x00000000	unsigned int
z	0x00000000	unsigned int

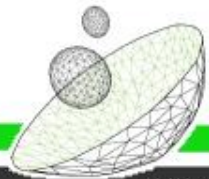
The CUDA Info window at the bottom shows the execution state on the GPU:

Current	Frozen	CUcontext	Grid ID	blockIdx	Warp Index	threadIdx	PC	Active Mask	Status	Exception	Exception Details	Global Status Details
➔		0x067b3f70	6	(0, 0, 0)	0	(0, 0, 0)	0x00050bf8	0xffffffff	Breakpoint	None	None	None
		0x067b3f70	6	(0, 0, 0)	1	(32, 0, 0)	0x00050bf8	0xffffffff	Breakpoint	None	None	None
		0x067b3f70	6	(0, 0, 0)	2	(64, 0, 0)	0x00050bf8	0xffffffff	Breakpoint	None	None	None
		0x067b3f70	6	(0, 0, 0)	3	(96, 0, 0)	0x00050bf8	0xffffffff	Breakpoint	None	None	None
		0x067b3f70	6	(0, 0, 0)	4	(128, 0, 0)	0x00050bf8	0xffffffff	Breakpoint	None	None	None

Breakpoint is set and hit in C# code

Values can be explored using Watch

Execution is on GPU



Profiling session using NSIGHT for Visual Studio [2010]

Compilation with line-info allows dot net source-level profiling (also in release mode)

Hybridizer.Samples...apture_000.nvreport - Activity1.nvact*

Discounter CUDA Source View Grid Dim: (140, 1, 1) Block Dim: (512, 1, 1) Duration: 9636.448 μ s Compute Capability: 3.0

File: [mapreducesamples] View: Source and PTX High to Low: Low to High:

Line	Source	Instruct Executed	Thread Instruct Executed	Thread Exec. Effici	Branch Taken	Branch Effici	Memory Type	Memory Access Type	Memory Access Size	L1 Above-Ideal Transact	L1 Tra	L2 Tra	L3 Tra	L3 Tra Ov
14	public double[] output;													
15	[Kernel]													
16	public void F(int i)													
17	{													
18	double result = 0.0;													
19	double rate = rates[i];													
20	for (int k = 0; k < count; ++k)	338249	10823689	100.0			Generic, Global	Load	Size32	0				
21	{													
22	result += values[k] * System.Math.Exp(-rate * dates[k]);	176960	5662720	97.5	165760	100.0	Generic, Global	Load	Size32, Size64	-336000	0			
23	}													
24	output[i] = result;													
25	}													
26														
27														
28	public class Printer													
29	{													
30														

Discounter <<<140,512>>> [CUDA Launch]

Device Launches
Call Graph
Discounter [CUDA Kernel]
[41] [CUDA Module]

Experiment Results

- CUDA Occupancy
- CUDA Source Profiler
 - CUDA Instruction Count
 - CUDA Divergent Branch
 - CUDA Memory Transactions

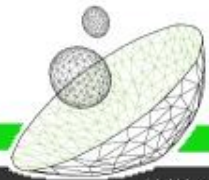
CUDA

Name Discounter
Mangled Name Discounter
Signature Discounter

All Launches of Kernel "Discounter"

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Grid Dimensions	Block Dimensions	Launch Type	Start Time (μ s)	End Time (μ s)	Duration (μ s)	Active Warp Time(μ s)	Occupancy	Registers Per Thread	Cache Configuration Executed	Shared Memory Configuration Executed
1	(140, 1, 1)	Host	738,598,386	748,234,834	9,636,448		100.00 %	26	PREFER_SHARED	FOUR_BYTE_BANK_SIZE



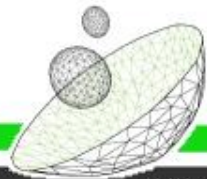
Profiling session using VTune Amplifier for Visual Studio [2010]

Hotspots - Hotspots

Analysis Target | Analysis Type | Collection Log | Summary | Bottom-up | Top-down Tree | Tasks and Frames | GFlops.cs

Source	CPU Time	Code Location	Assembly	CPU Time
149 public class MultiExpml : IMapOperator		0x4033f9 165 vmulpd ymm7, ymm2, ymm6		2.004ms
150 {		0x4033fd 165 vaddpd ymm3, ymm7, ymm1		
151 double[] input;		0x403401 165 vmulpd ymm7, ymm3, ymm6		1.004ms
152 double[] output;		0x403405 165 vmovupd ymm6, ymmword ptr [0x40b260]		1.968ms
153		0x40340d 165 vaddpd ymm3, ymm7, ymm6		
154 public double[] Input { get { return input; } set { input		0x403411 165 vmovupd ymm7, ymmword ptr [ecx+0x40fa20]		1.996ms
155 public double[] Output { get { return output; } set { outp		0x403419 165 vblendvpd ymm2, ymm2, ymm3, ymm7		
156		0x40341f 165 vmovupd ymm7, ymmword ptr [esp+0x7e0]		2.002ms
157 double expml(double x)		0x403428 165 vmovupd ymm3, ymmword ptr [esp+0x340]		
158 {		0x403431 165 vmovupd ymmword ptr [esp+0x3c0], ymm2		
159 /* 7.5 GFLOPS */		0x40343a 165 vmulpd ymm2, ymm3, ymm7		0.996ms
160 double res = 15.0 + x;	77.519ms	0x40343e 165 vaddpd ymm2, ymm2, ymm1		2.992ms
161 res = (res * x + 210.0) * x + 2730.0;	105.744ms	0x403442 165 vmulpd ymm7, ymm2, ymm7		1.971ms
162 res = (res * x + 32760.0) * x + 360360.0;	78.677ms	0x403446 165 vaddpd ymm2, ymm7, ymm6		4.004ms
163 res = (res * x + 3603600.0) * x + 32432400.0;	67.963ms	0x40344a 165 vmovupd ymm7, ymmword ptr [ebx+0x40fa20]		1.000ms
164 res = (res * x + 259459200.0) * x + 1816214400.0;	74.681ms	0x403452 165 vblendvpd ymm7, ymm3, ymm2, ymm7		1.997ms
165 res = (res * x + 10897286400.0) * x + 54486432000.0;	85.372ms	0x403458 165 vmovupd ymm2, ymmword ptr [esp+0x800]		1.999ms
166 res = (res * x + 217945728000.0) * x + 653837184000.0;	71.847ms	0x403461 165 vmulpd ymm3, ymm5, ymm2		
167 res = res * x + 1307674368000.0;	55.043ms	0x403465 165 vaddpd ymm3, ymm3, ymm1		
168 return res * x * 7.6471637318198164759011319857881e-13	73.130ms	0x403469 165 vmulpd ymm2, ymm3, ymm2		
169 }	40.604ms	0x40346d 165 vaddpd ymm3, ymm2, ymm6		1.002ms
170		0x403471 165 vmovupd ymm2, ymmword ptr [ebp+0x40fa20]		0.995ms
171 [Kernel]		0x403479 165 vblendvpd ymm5, ymm5, ymm3, ymm2		
172 public void F(int i)		0x40347f 165 vmovupd ymm3, ymmword ptr [esp+0x820]		2.996ms
173 {		0x403488 165 vmovupd ymmword ptr [esp+0x3e0], ymm5		
174 output[i] = expml(expml(expml(expml(expml(expml		0x403491 165 vmovupd ymm5, ymmword ptr [esp+0x360]		3.999ms
175 }	12.017ms	0x40349a 165 vmulpd ymm2, ymm5, ymm3		
176 }		0x40349e 165 vaddpd ymm2, ymm2, ymm1		1.993ms

See line association between original sequential C# code and vectorized x86/AVX assembly instructions



Usages - runtimes - execution environments

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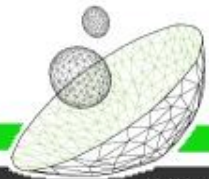
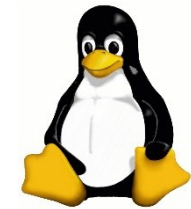
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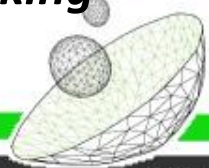


Run on



“We have been using the Hybridizer for more than a year now with very satisfactory results. With **no prior knowledge of GPU programming**, we have been able to achieve **significant speedups in a large scale application** with unexcessive effort. Hybridizer enabled **rapid integration of GPU** within our development environment, with limited impact on a team of hundred programmers. It took **nine months to a handful of developers to go from early testing to production** on our first perimeter, and six more months to cover some of our most compute intensive calculations.”

Régis FRICKER - GPU project leader at Société Générale Investment Banking



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THANK YOU

