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CUDA Demo Suite

The reference guide for the CUDA Demo Suite.

The CUDA Demo Suite contains pre-built applications which use CUDA. These applications demonstrate the capabilities and details of NVIDIA GPUs.

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Chapter 1. Demos

Below are the demos within the demo suite.

1.1. deviceQuery

This application enumerates the properties of the CUDA devices present in the system and displays them in a human readable format.

1.2. vectorAdd

This application is a very basic demo that implements element by element vector addition.

1.3. bandwidthTest

This application provides the memcopy bandwidth of the GPU and memcpy bandwidth across PCI-e. This application is capable of measuring device to device copy bandwidth, host to device copy bandwidth for pageable and page-locked memory, and device to host copy bandwidth for pageable and page-locked memory.

Arguments:

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Usage: bandwidthTest [OPTION]...
Test the bandwidth for device to host, host to device, and device to device transfers

Example: measure the bandwidth of device to host pinned memory copies in the range

→1024 Bytes to 102400 Bytes in 1024 Byte increments
./bandwidthTest --memory=pinned --mode=range --start=1024 --end=102400 --

→increment=1024 --dtoh
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Options	Explanation
-help	Display this help menu
-csv	Print results as a CSV
-device=[deviceno] all 0,1,2,,n	Specify the device device to be used compute cumulative bandwidth on all the devices Specify any particular device to be used
-memory=[MEMMODE] pageable pinned	Specify which memory mode to use pageable memory non-pageable system memory
-mode=[MODE] quick range shmoo	Specify the mode to use performs a quick measurement measures a user-specified range of values performs an intense shmoo of a large range of values
-htod	Measure host to device transfers
-dtoh	Measure device to host transfers
-dtod	Measure device to device transfers
-wc	Allocate pinned memory as write-combined
-cputiming	Force CPU-based timing always
Range Mode options -start=[SIZE] -end=[SIZE] -increment=[SIZE]]	Starting transfer size in bytes Ending transfer size in bytes Increment size in bytes

1.4. busGrind

Provides detailed statistics about peer-to-peer memory bandwidth amongst GPUs present in the system as well as pinned, unpinned memory bandwidth.

Arguments:

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Options	Explanation
-h	print usage
-p [0,1]	enable or disable pinned memory tests (default on)
-u [0,1]	enable or disable unpinned memory tests (default off)
-e [0,1]	enable or disable p2p enabled memory tests (default off)
-d [0,1]	enable or disable p2p disabled memory tests (default off)
-a	enable all tests
-n	disable all tests

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Order of parameters matters.

Examples:
    ./BusGrind -n -p 1 -e 1 Run all pinned and P2P tests
    ./BusGrind -n -u 1 Runs only unpinned tests
    ./BusGrind -a Runs all tests (pinned, unpinned, p2p enabled, p2p

disabled)
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1.5. nbody

This demo does an efficient all-pairs simulation of a gravitational n-body simulation in CUDA. It scales the n-body simulation across multiple GPUs in a single PC if available. Adding "-numbodies=num_of_bodies" to the command line will allow users to set # of bodies for simulation. Adding "-numdevices=N" to the command line option will cause the sample to use N devices (if available) for simulation. In this mode, the position and velocity data for all bodies are read from system memory using "zero copy" rather than from device memory. For a small number of devices (4 or fewer) and a large enough number of bodies, bandwidth is not a bottleneck so we can achieve strong scaling across these devices.

Arguments:

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Options	Explanation
-fullscreen	run n-body simulation in fullscreen mode
-fp64	use double precision floating point values for simulation
-hostmem	stores simulation data in host memory
-benchmark	run benchmark to measure performance
- numbodies=N	number of bodies (>= 1) to run in simulation
-device=d	where d=0,1,2 for the CUDA device to use
-numdevices=i	where i=(number of CUDA devices > 0) to use for simulation
-compare	compares simulation results running once on the default GPU and once on the CPU
-cpu	run n-body simulation on the CPU
-tipsy=file.bin	load a tipsy model file for simulation

1.6. oceanFFT

This is a graphical demo which simulates an ocean height field using the CUFFT library, and renders the result using OpenGL.

The following keys can be used to control the output:

Keys	Function	
W	Toggle wireframe	

1.7. randomFog

This is a graphical demo which does pseudo- and quasi- random numbers visualization produced by CU-RAND. On creation, randomFog generates 200,000 random coordinates in spherical coordinate space (radius, angle rho, angle theta) with curand's XORWOW algorithm. The coordinates are normalized for a uniform distribution through the sphere. The X axis is drawn with blue in the negative direction and yellow positive. The Y axis is drawn with green in the negative direction and magenta positive. The Z axis is drawn with red in the negative direction and cyan positive.

The following keys can be used to control the output:

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