



HIGH THROUGHPUT WITH GPUS

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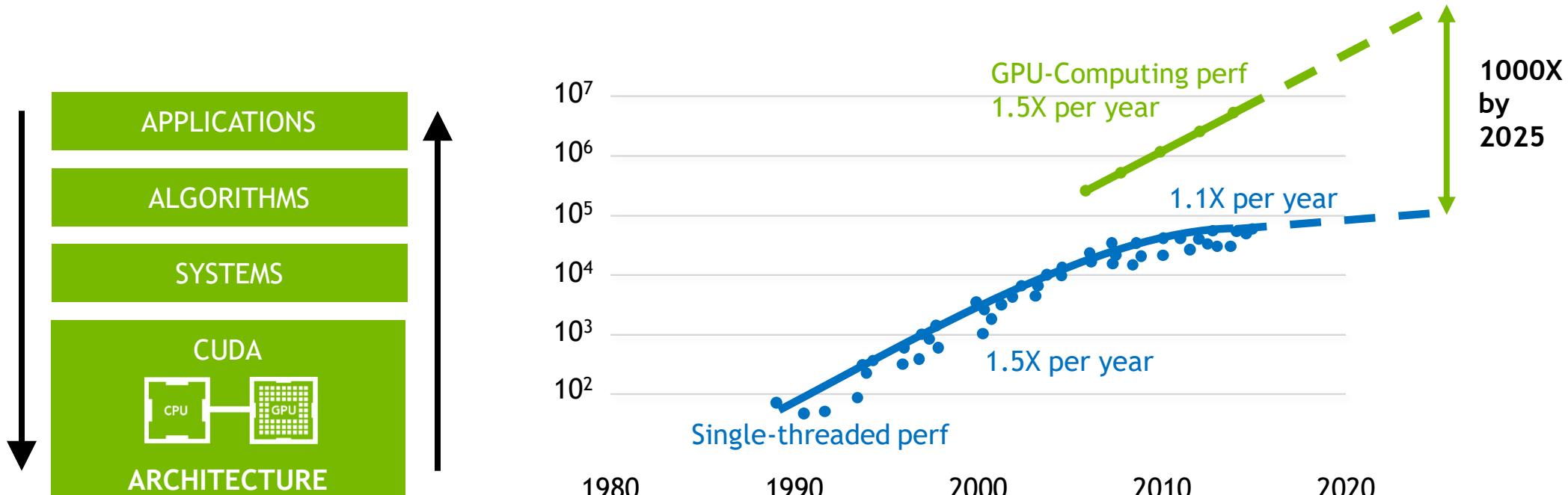


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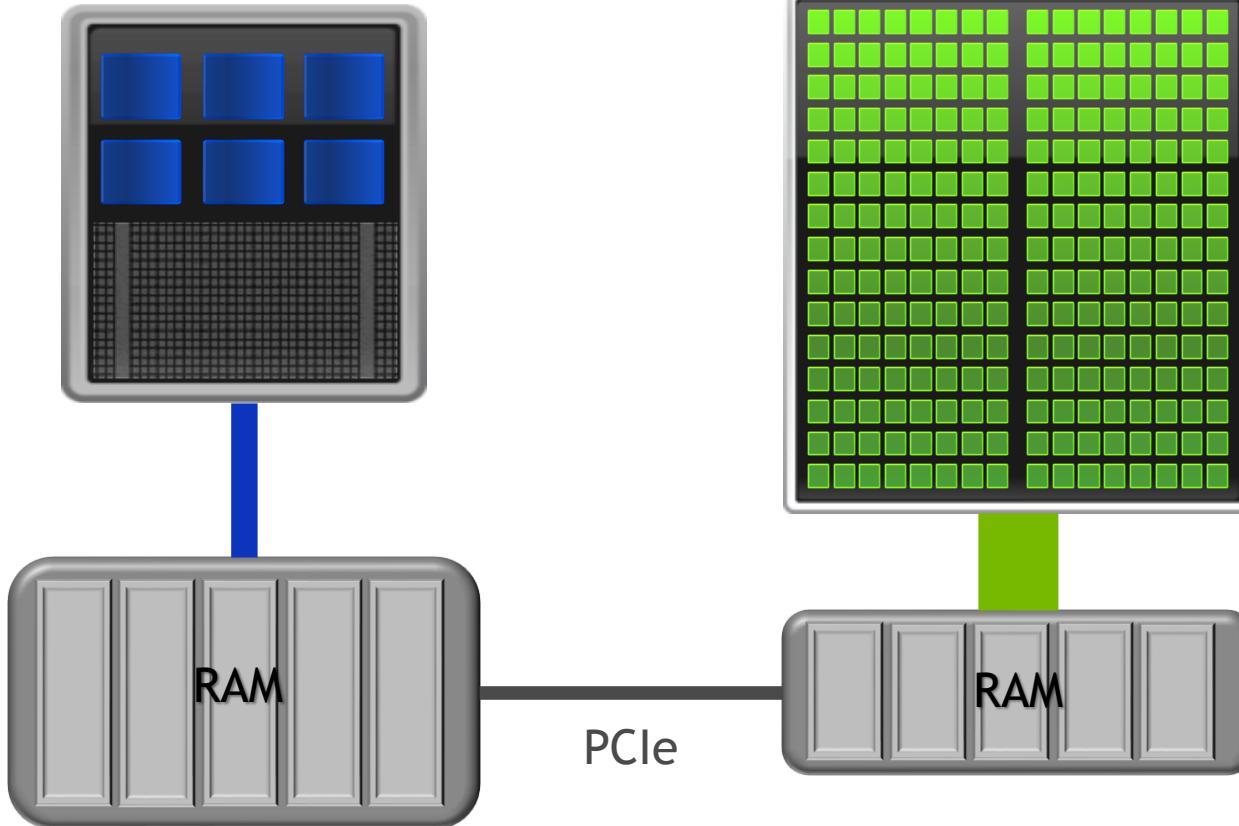
RISE OF GPU COMPUTING



Original data up to the year 2010 collected and plotted by M. Horowitz, F. Labonte, O. Shacham, K. Olukotun, L. Hammond, and C. Batten. New plot and data collected for 2010-2015 by K. Rupp.

GPU COMPUTING

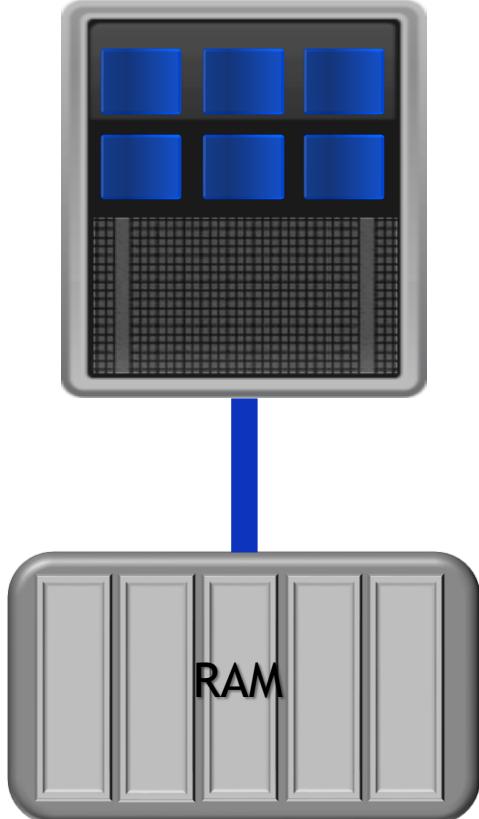
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Serial Tasks



GPU
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Strengths

- Very large main memory
- Very fast clock speeds
- Latency optimized via large caches
- few threads, can run very quickly

Weaknesses

- Relatively low memory bandwidth
- Cache misses very costly
- Low performance/watt

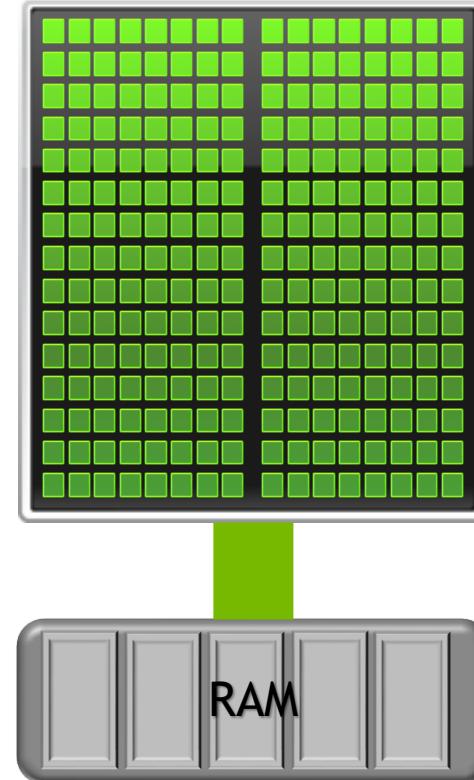
GPU COMPUTING

Strengths

- High bandwidth main memory
- Latency tolerant via parallelism
- Significantly more compute resources
- High throughput
- High performance/watt

Weaknesses

- Relatively low memory capacity
- Low per-thread performance



GPU

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Speed vs Throughput

Speed



Throughput

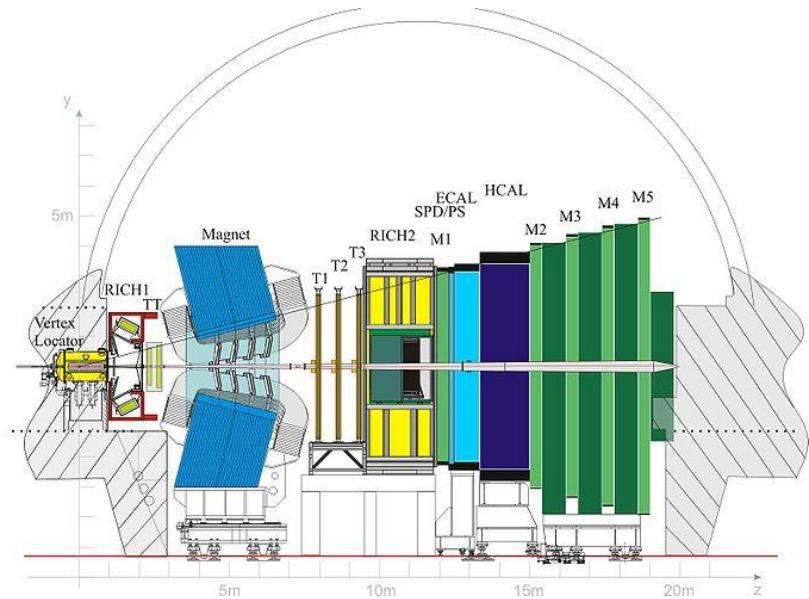
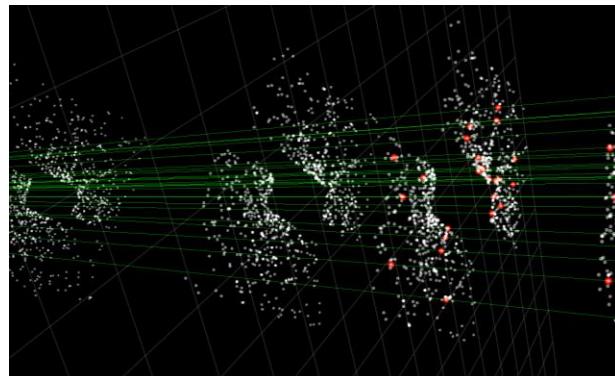


Which is better depends on your needs...

TRACK RECONSTRUCTION

Example - LHCb

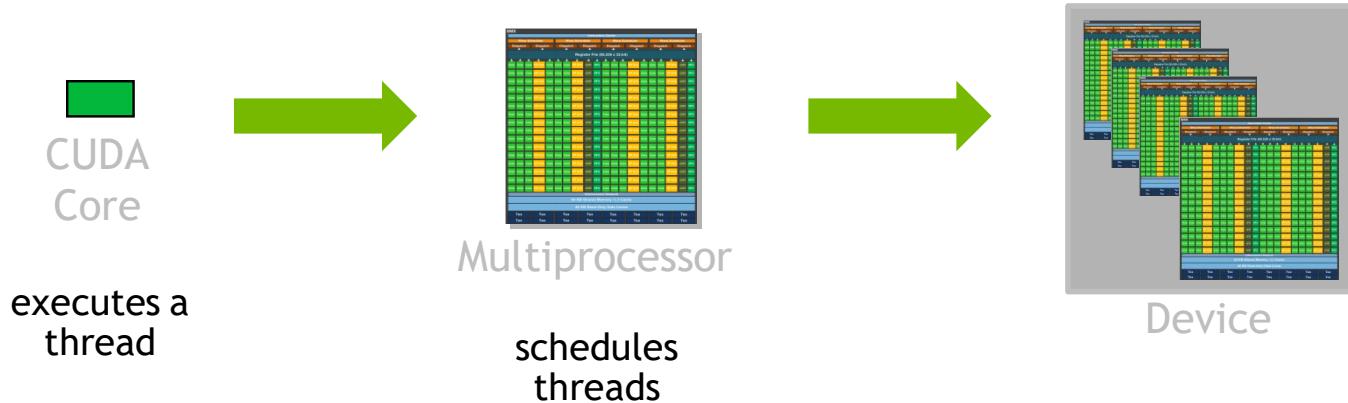
- ▶ Data rate 5TB/s
- ▶ ~30 000 000 independent events/s
- ▶ Velo: ~300 hits / layer
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 ~200 track candidates



* LHCb collaboration 08 JINST 3 S08005

Lots of parallelism
High Throughput needed

THE GPU



TESLA V100

FUSING AI AND HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING

80 Streaming Multiprocessors = 5,120 CUDA cores

15.7 FP32 TFLOPS | 7.8 FP64 TFLOPS | 125 Tensor TFLOPS

16GB / 32GB HBM2 @ 900GB/s | 300GB/s NVLink





HOW?

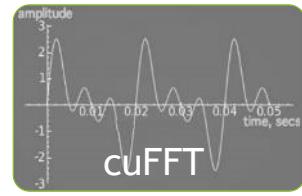
GPU ACCELERATED LIBRARIES

“Drop-in” Acceleration for Your Applications

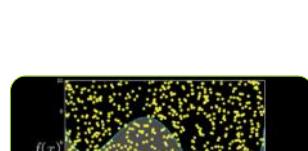
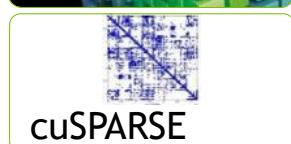
DEEP LEARNING



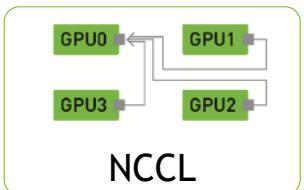
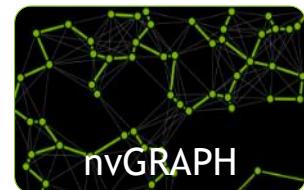
SIGNAL, IMAGE & VIDEO



LINEAR ALGEBRA



PARALLEL ALGORITHMS



PROGRAM GPUS

NVIDIA CUDA

CPU

```
void saxpy_serial(int n,
                  float a,
                  float* x,
                  float* y)
{
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        y[i] = a * x[i] + y[i];
}

// Perform SAXPY on 1M elements
saxpy_serial(4096 * 256, 2.0, x, y);
```

GPU

```
__global__
void saxpy_parallel(int n,
                     float a,
                     float* x,
                     float* y)
{
    int i = blockIdx.x * blockDim.x +
            threadIdx.x;
    if (i < n) y[i] = a * x[i] + y[i];
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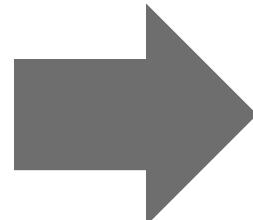
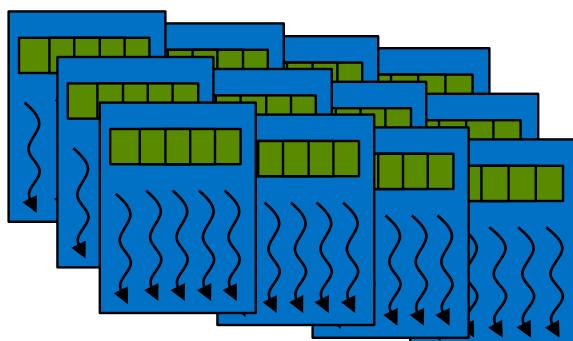
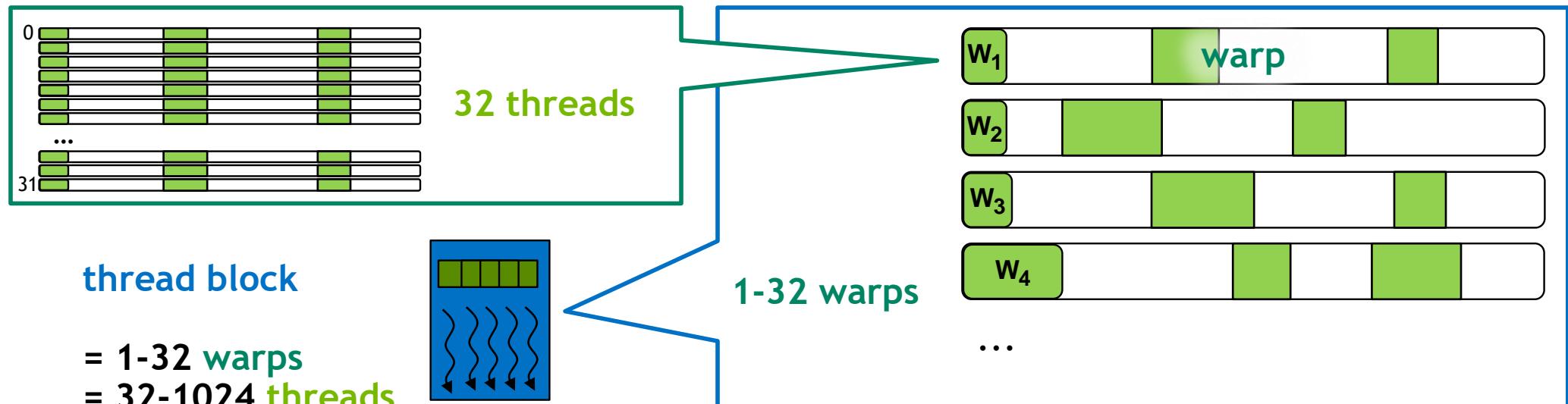
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THOUSANDS OF THREADS

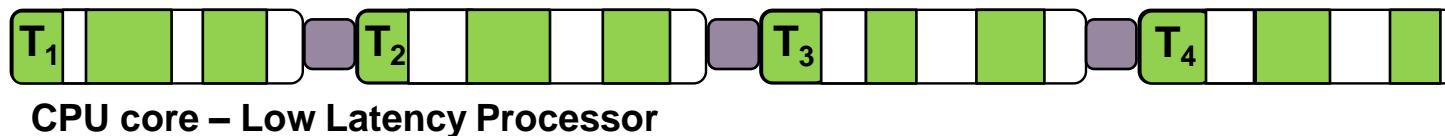
Some Structure



Tesla V100
160'000 threads!

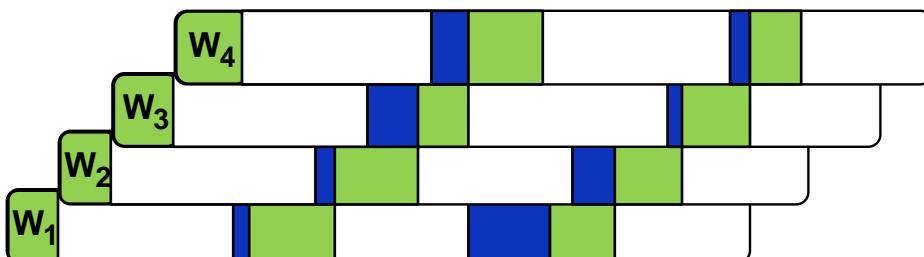
LOW LATENCY OF HIGH THROUGHPUT?

CPU architecture must **minimize latency** within each thread



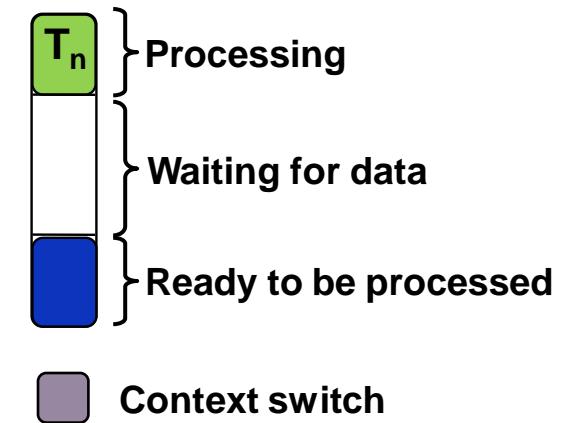
CPU core – Low Latency Processor

GPU architecture **hides latency** with computation from other threads (warps)



GPU Stream Multiprocessor – High Throughput Processor

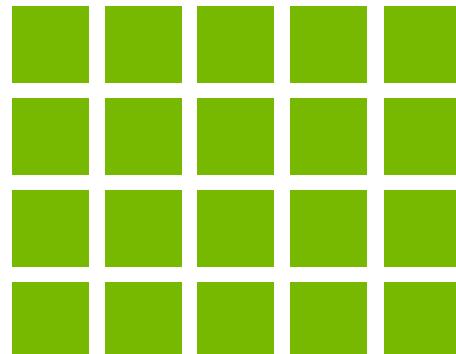
Computation Thread/Warp



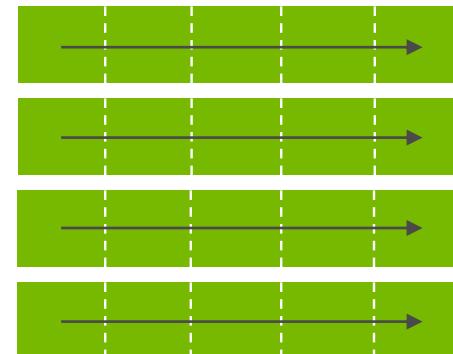
MAXIMIZE THREADS

Must expose enough parallelism to saturate the GPU

GPU threads are slower than CPU threads



Fine-grained parallelism is good

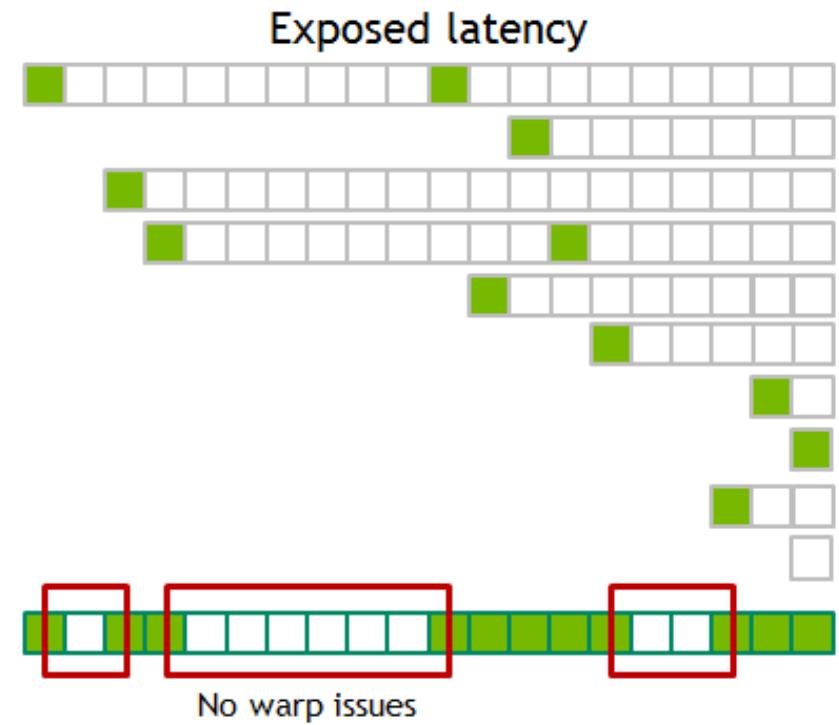
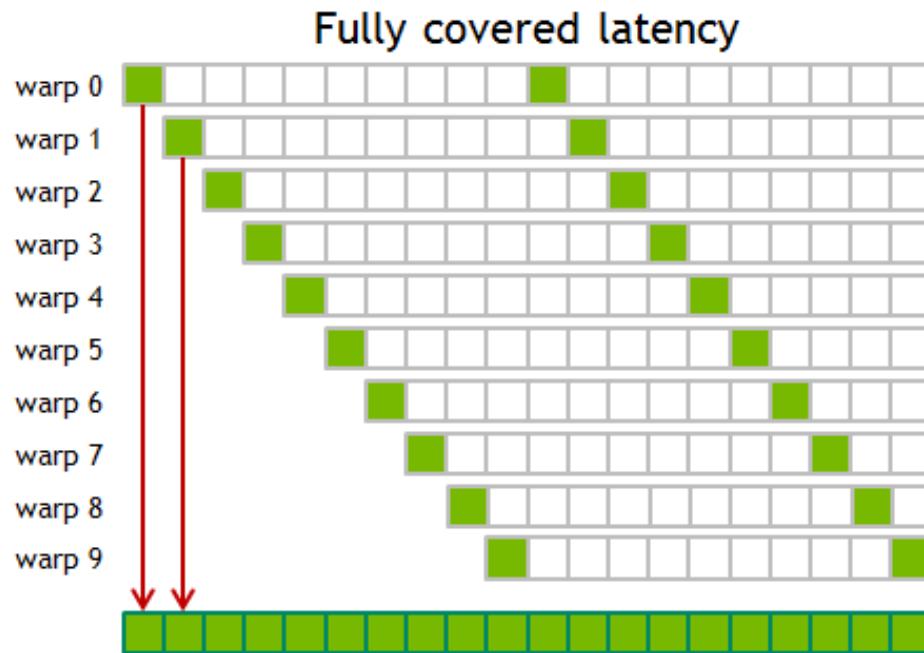


Coarse-grained parallelism is bad

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The warp issues

The warp waits (latency)

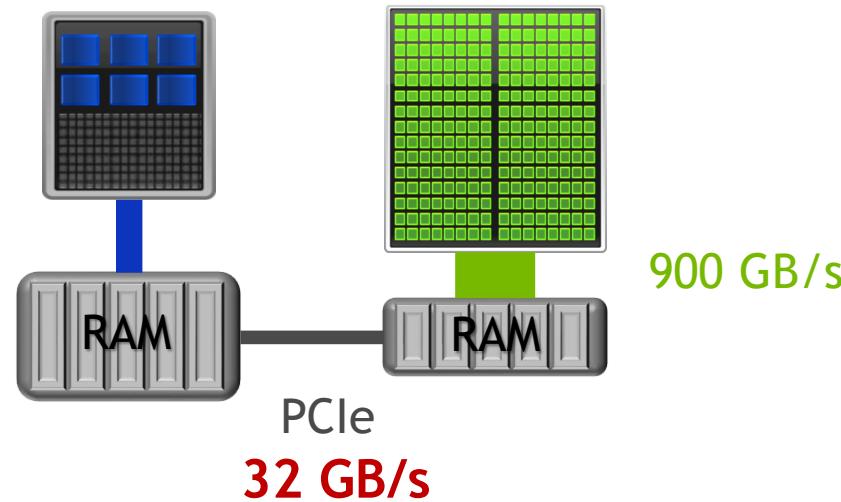


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MINIMIZE MEMORY TRANSFERS



- ▶ Transfer only what is necessary
- ▶ Keep data on GPU as long as possible
- ▶ Use asynchronous memcpys and keep CPUs + GPUs busy.

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MEMORY LAYOUT

Typical CPU code

CPU Data Layout

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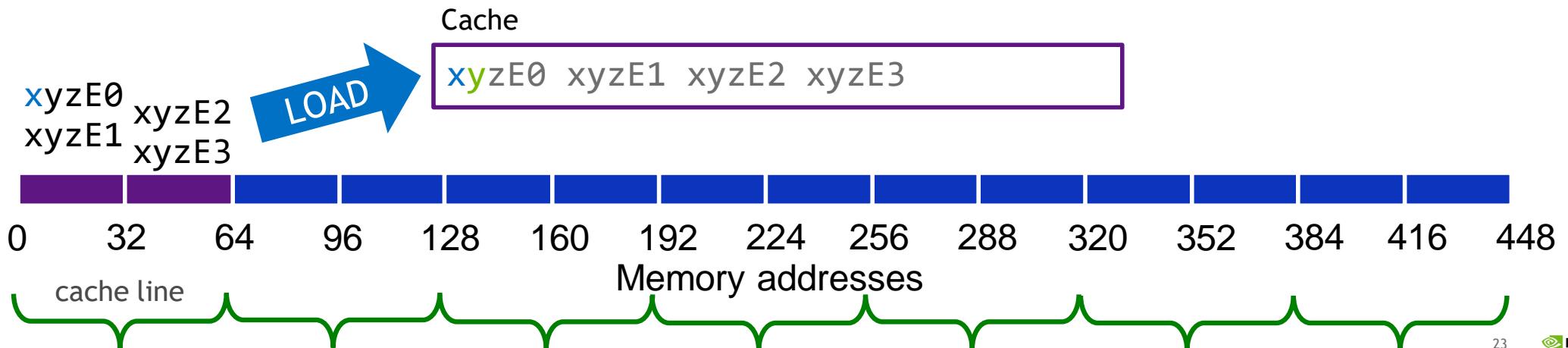
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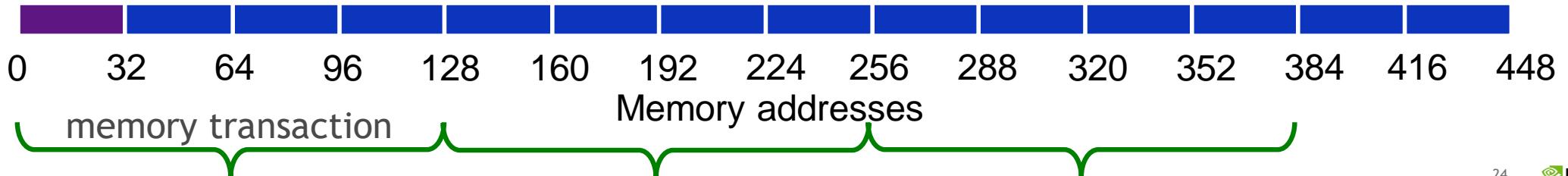
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- ▶ loads are 128 Byte wide
- ▶ (almost) no cache
- ▶ loads executed per warp (32 threads)
 - ▶ we need values $x[0:32]$ now

GPU Application Code

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32 threads run in sync



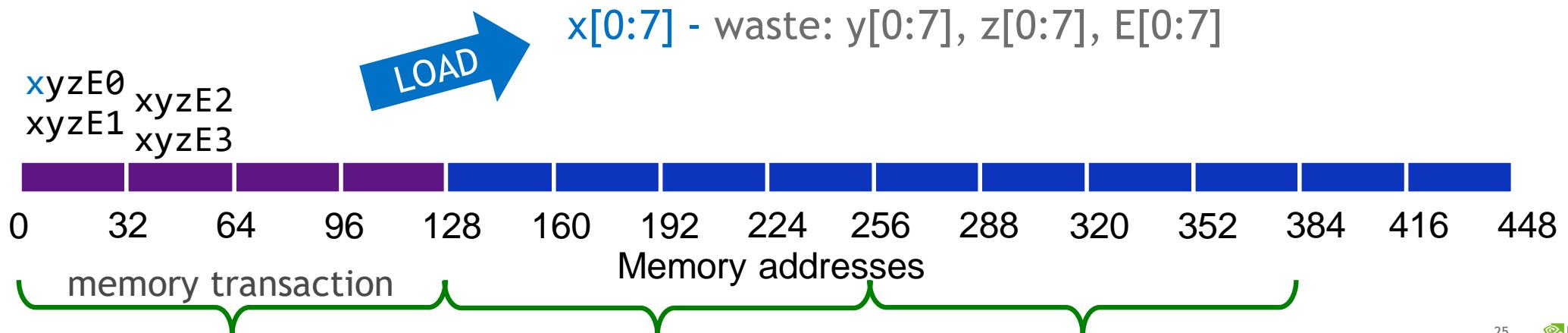
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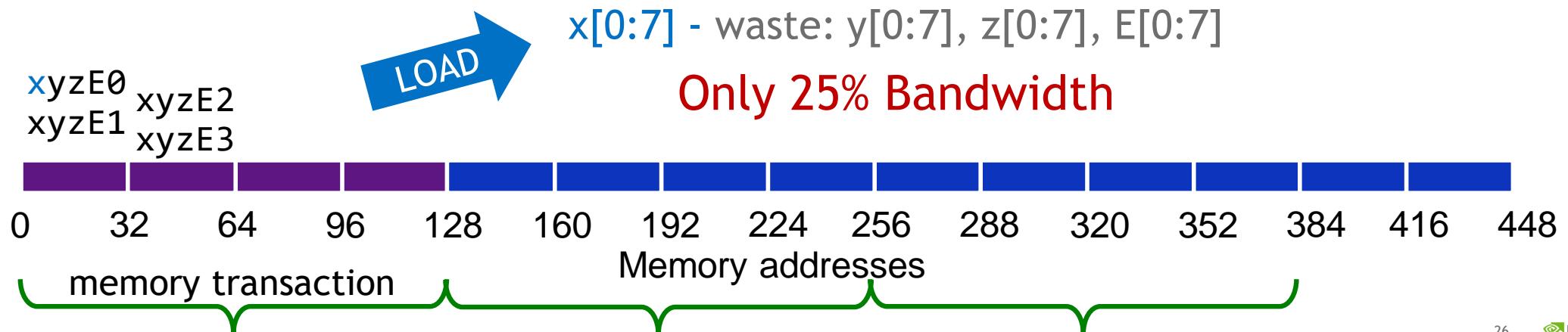
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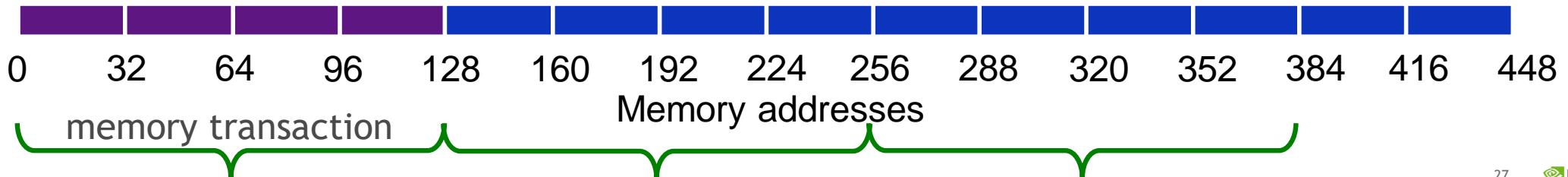
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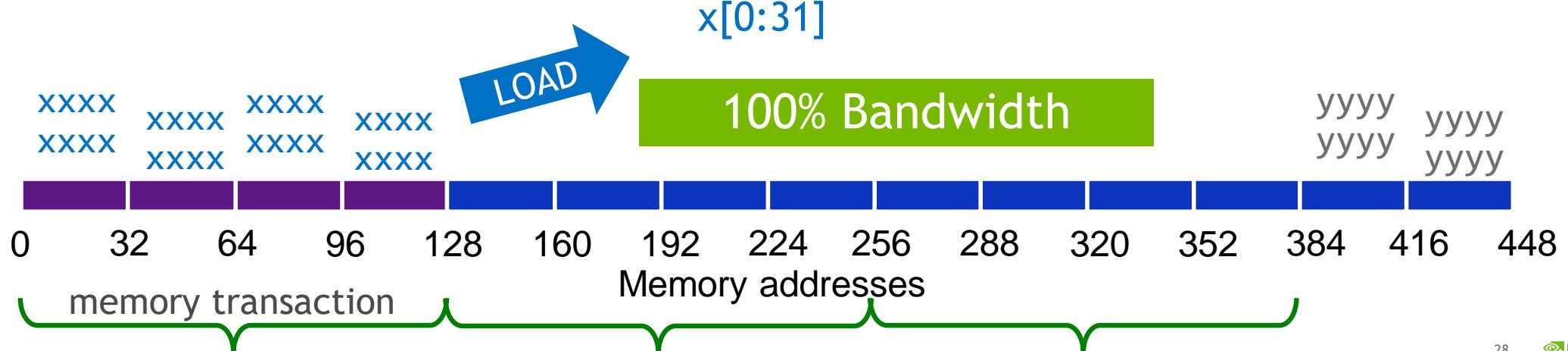
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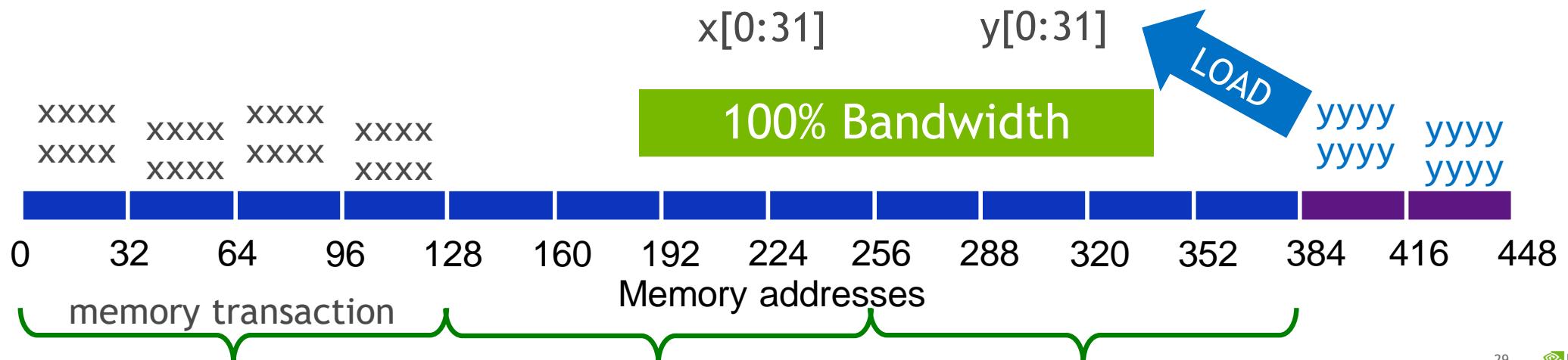
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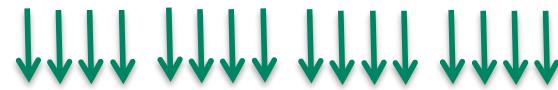
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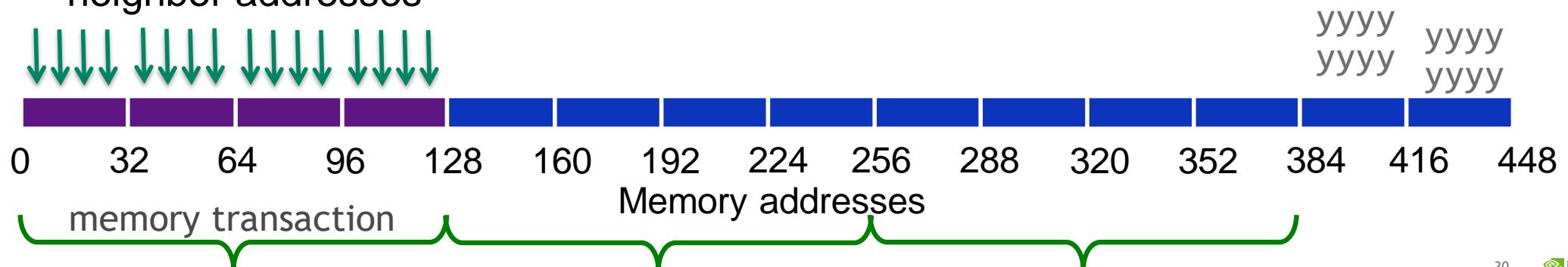
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neighbor threads access
neighbor addresses



coalesced access



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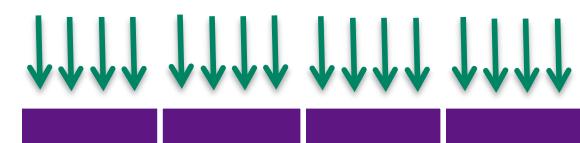
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Array of Structures (AoS)

Structure of Arrays (SoA)

coalesced access



0 32 64 96 128

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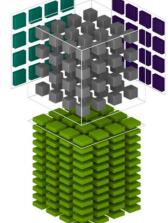
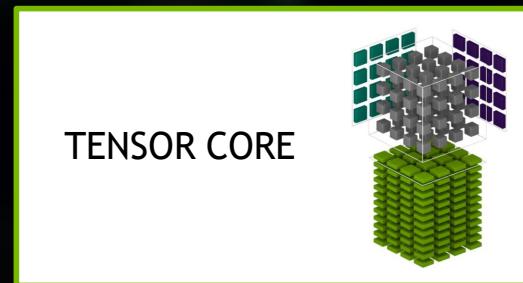
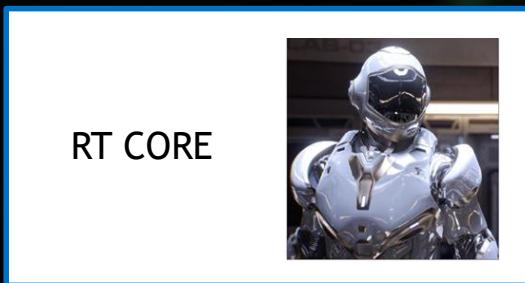
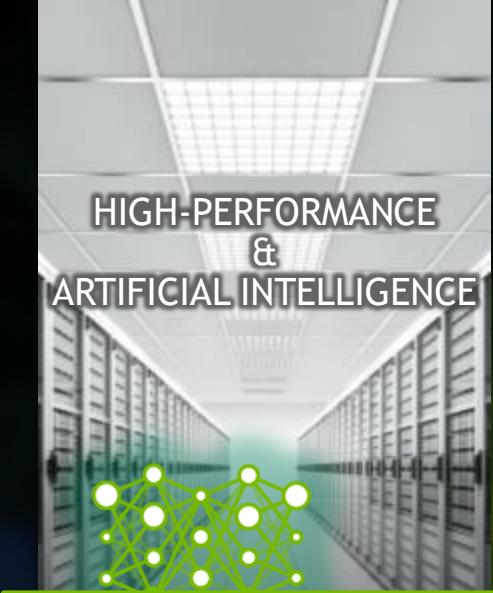
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HIGH-PERFORMANCE
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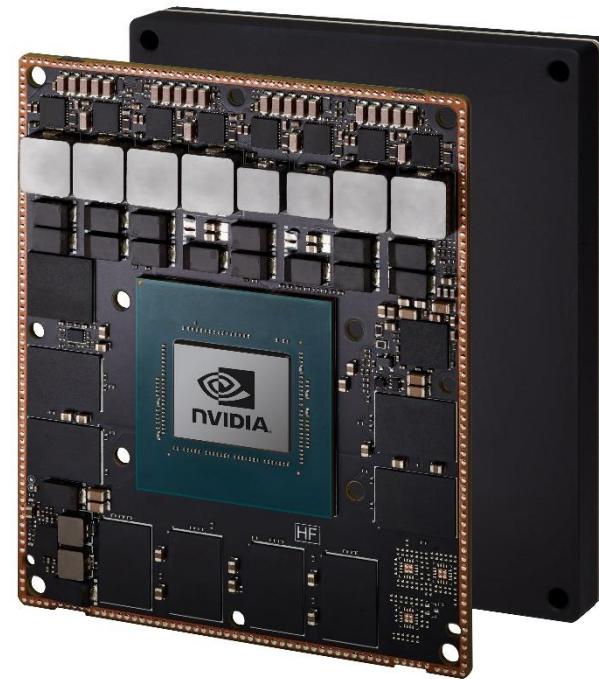
AUTONOMOUS
&
EMBEDDED



XAVIER SOC

System on a Chip for Autonomous Machines

JETSON AGX XAVIER	
GPU	512 Core Volta @ 1.37GHz 64 Tensor Cores
CPU	8 core Carmel ARM CPU @ 2.26GHz (4x) 2MB L2 + 4MB L3
DL Accelerator	(2x) NVDLA
Vision Accelerator	(2x) 7-way VLIW Processor
Memory	16GB 256-bit LPDDR4x @ 2133MHz 137 GB/s
Storage	32GB eMMC
Video Encode	(4x) 4Kp60 / (8x) 4Kp30 HEVC
Video Decode	(2x) 8Kp30 / (6x) 4Kp60 12-bit support
Camera	16 lanes MIPI CSI-2 8 lanes SLVS-EC D-PHY 40Gbps / C-PHY 109Gbps
PCI Express	16 lanes PCIe Gen 4 1x8 + 1x4 + 1x2 + 2x1
Mechanical	100mm x 87mm 699 pin connector
Power	10W / 15W / 30W

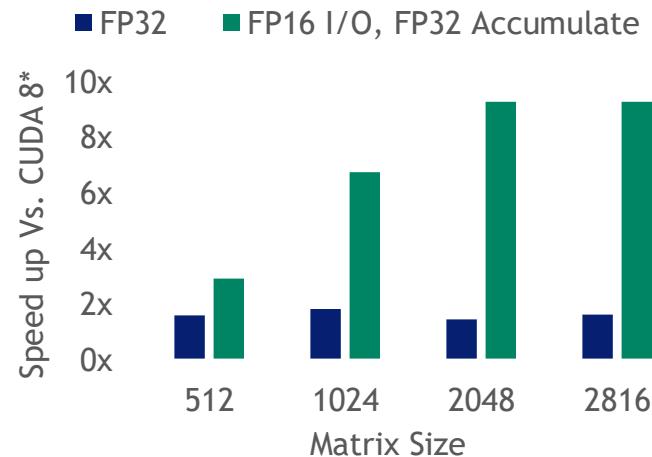


TENSOR CORES

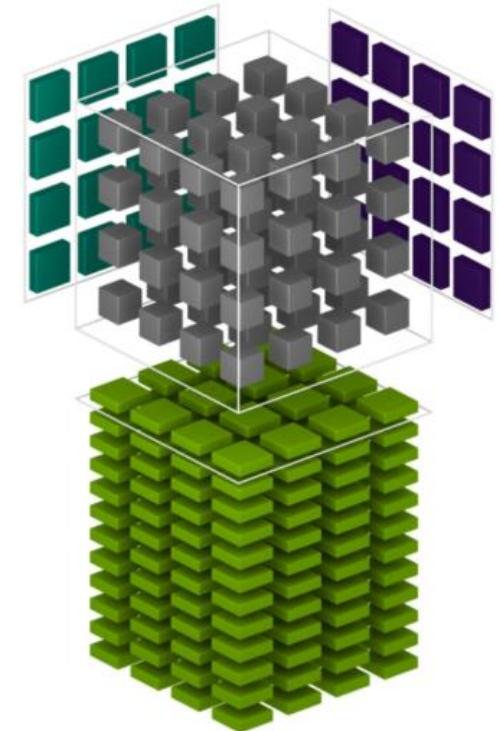
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5x - 9x faster
GEMM operations



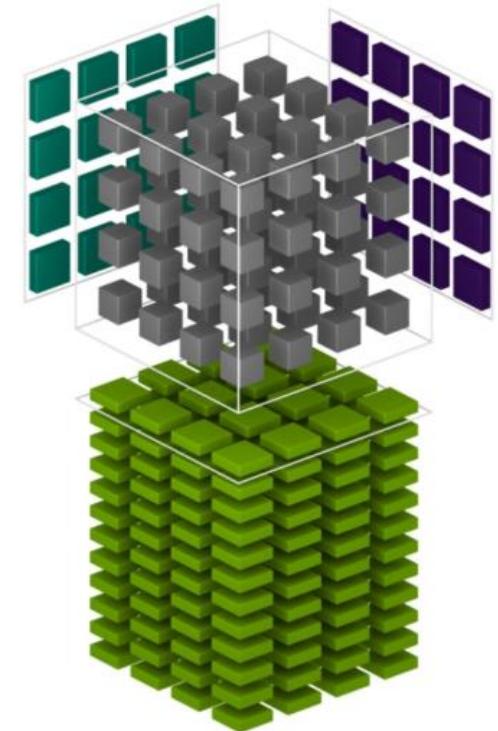
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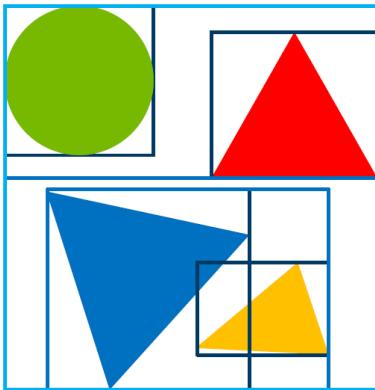


GPU	SMs	Total	Peak Half FLOPS	PEAK INT8 OPS	PEAK INT4 OPS	PEAK Binary OPS
V100	80	640	125 TFLOPS	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
TU102	72	576	130.5 TFLOPS	261 TOPS	522 TOPS	2088 TOPS

Used via libraries, exposed in CUDA 10

RT CORES

Ray-Tracing Acceleration

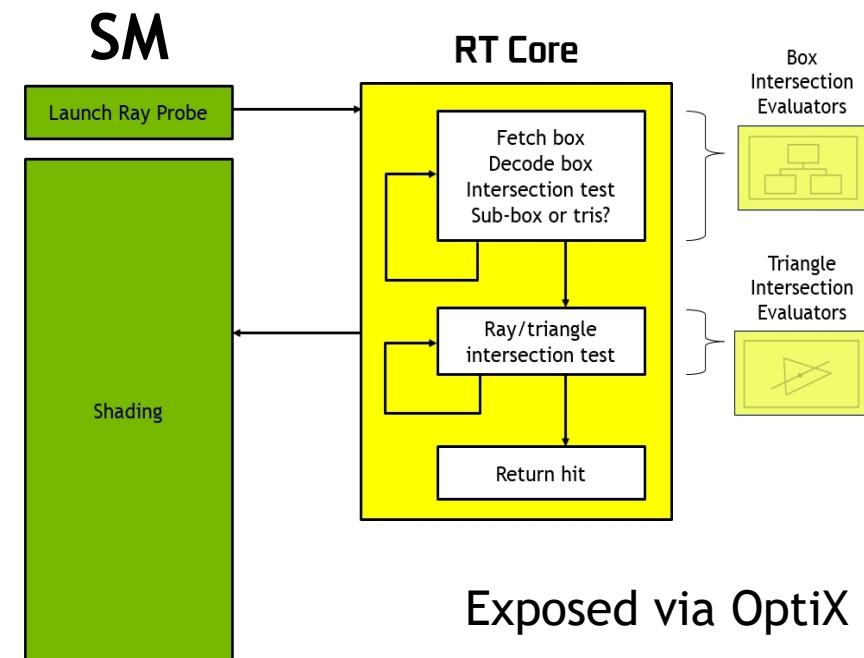
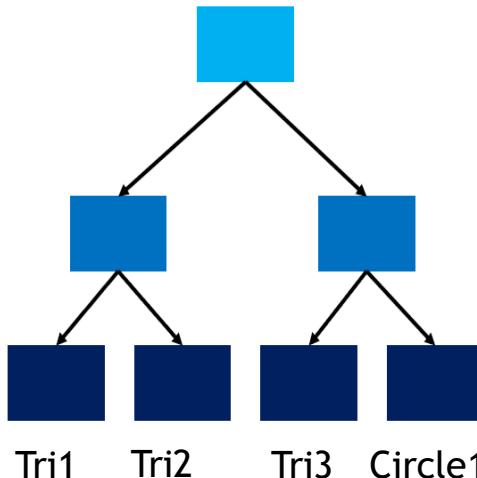


RT Cores perform

- Ray-Bounding Volume Hierarchy Traversal
- Ray-Triangle Intersection

Return to SM for

- Multi-level Instancing
- Custom Intersection
- Shading



Exposed via OptiX

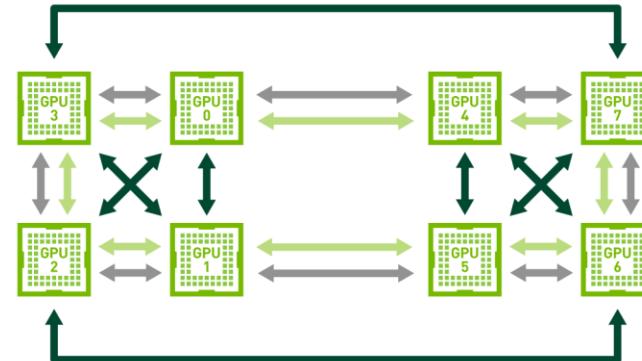
NVLINK & NVSWITCH

Fast GPU Interconnect

NVLink

High-Speed Interconnect

- 25 GB/sec, each direction, per Link
- V100: 6 Links = 300GB/s
- Link to POWER9



NVSwitch

World's highest Bandwidth on-node switch

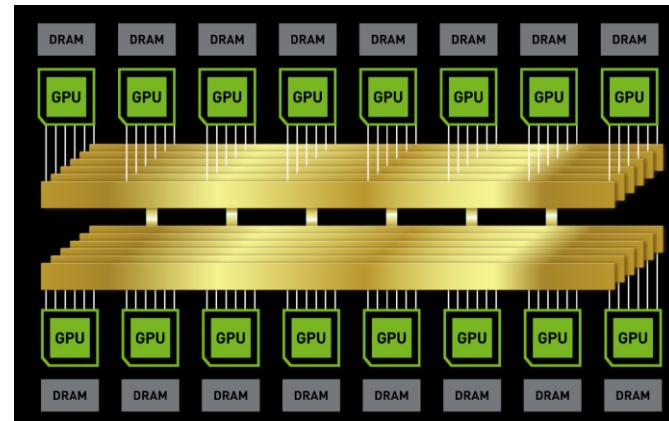
- 900 GB/sec
- 18 NVLink ports | 50GB/s per port bi-directional

Enables The World's Largest GPU

- 16 Tesla V100 32GB
 - 2 petaFLOPS
 - Unified 512GB HBM2 GPU Memory Space



NVIDIA DGX-2



CONCLUSION

- ▶ GPUs are high-throughput processors
- ▶ Programming GPUs requires some rethinking (parallel, transfers, data layout)
- ▶ Track Reconstruction should be well suited for GPUs
- ▶ New features for Graphics, AI, Autonomous Vehicles
 - ➡ Explore how to exploit them for reconstruction



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