Cray GPU Programming Environment Update

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Major Cray Hybrid Multi Petaflop Systems



Blue Waters:

Sustained Petascale Performance

- Production Science at Full Scale
- 244 XE Cabinets + 44 XK Cabinets
 - > 25K compute nodes
- 13.3 Petaflops (7.1 CPU + 6.2 GPU)
- 1.5 Petabytes of total memory
- 25 Petabytes Storage
 - 1 TB/sec IO
- Cray's scalable Linux Environment
- HPC-focused GPU/CPU
 Programming Environment



Titan:

A "Jaguar-Size" System with GPUs

- 200 cabinets
- 18,688 compute nodes
- 25x32x24 3D torus (22.5 TB/s global BW)
- 128 I/O blades (512 PCIe-2 @ 16 GB/s bidir)
- 1,278 TB of memory
- 4,352 sq. ft.
- 10 MW

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- Cray XC30
 - Aries routing
- 5272 Compute Nodes
 - one Intel® Xeon® E5-2670 and one NVIDIA® Tesla® K20X)
- 7.787 Petaflops
- 32 GB per node
- 169 TB DDR3
 - 32 TB non-ECC GDDR5
- 2.5 Petabytes Storage

The Cray Hybrid Architecture

• CPU and Interconnect

- XC30:
 - Intel SandyBridge or IvyBridge
 - Cray Aries interconnect
- XK7:
 - AMD Interlagos
 - Cray Gemini interconnect

NVIDIA GPUs

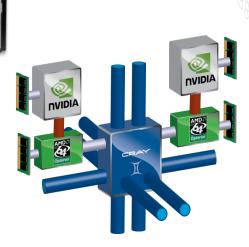
- Kepler (K20/K20X) GPUs
- Atlas (K40) GPUs

• Unified X86/GPU programming environment

Fully compatible with Cray homogeneous XE/XC product line









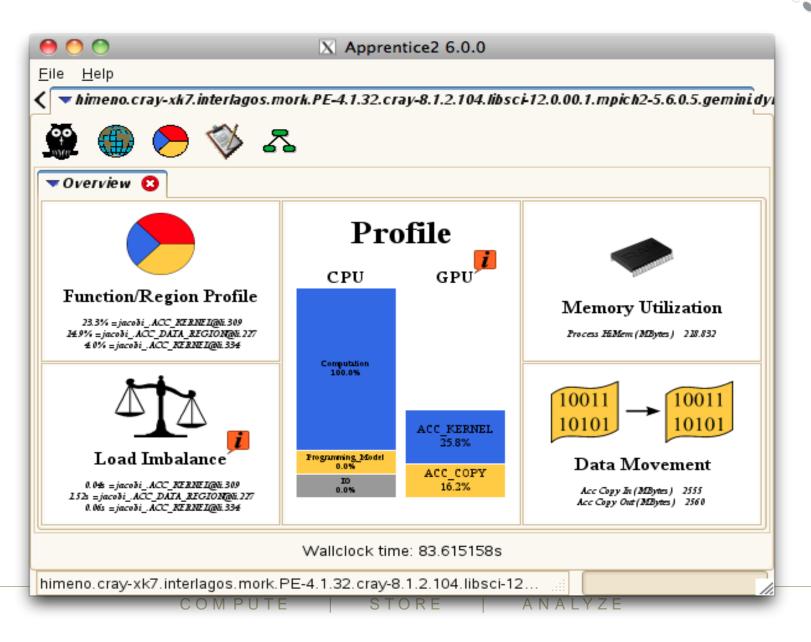
The Cray Compilation Environment

- Cray technology focused on scientific applications
 - Takes advantage of automatic vectorization
 - Takes advantage of automatic shared memory parallelization

• OpenACC 2.0 compliant

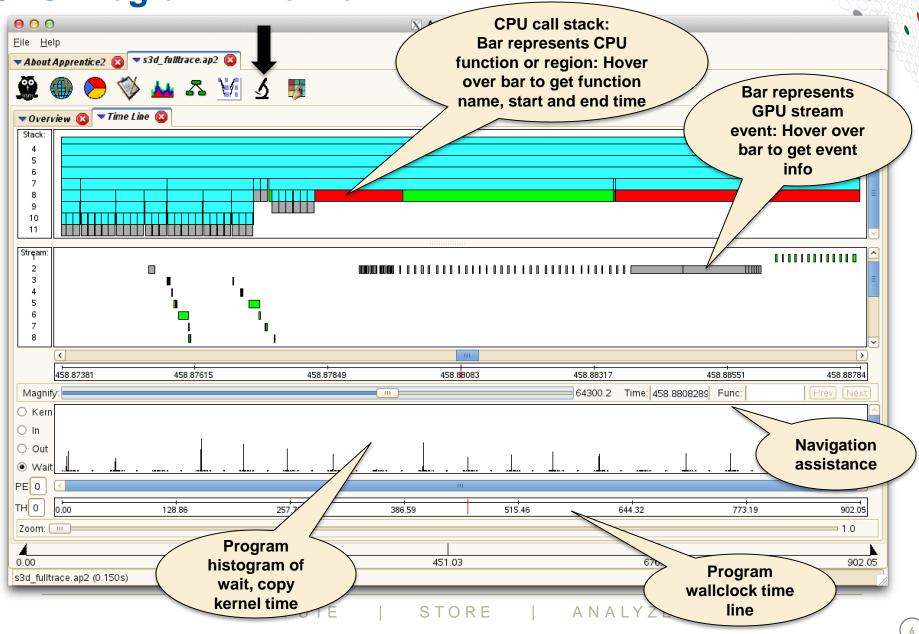
- Compiles to PTX not CUDA
- Single object file
- CCE Identifies parallel loops within code regions
- Splits the code into accelerator and host portions
- Workshares loops running on accelerator
 - Make use of MIMD and SIMD style parallelism
- Data movement
 - allocates/frees GPU memory at start/end of region
 - moves data to/from GPU
- Debuggers see original program not CUDA intermediate

Cray Apprentice2 Overview with GPU Data

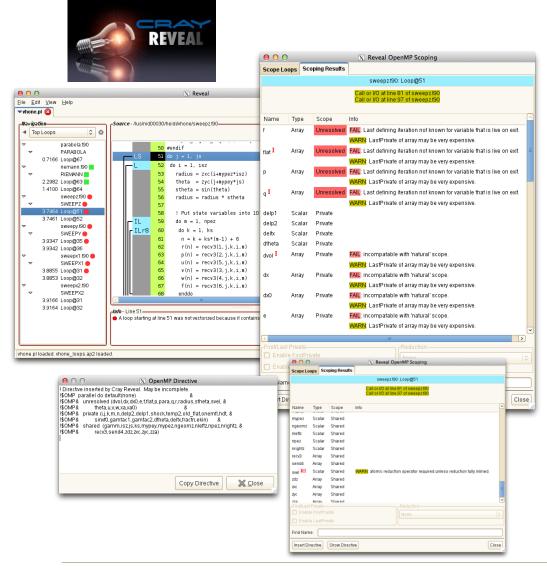


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GPU Program Timeline



Simplifying the Task with Reveal



- Navigate to relevant loops to parallelize
- Identify parallelization and scoping issues
- Get feedback on issues down the call chain (shared reductions, etc.)
- Optionally insert parallel directives into source
- Validate scoping correctness on existing directives

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Summary

- Cray provides a high level programming environment for acceletate Computing
 - Fortran, C, and C++ compilers
 - OpenACC directives to drive compiler optimization
 - Compiler optimizations to take advantage of accelerator and multi-core X86 hardware appropriately
 - Cray Reveal
 - Scoping analysis tool to assist user in understanding their code and taking full advantage of SW and HW system
 - Cray Performance Measurement and Analysis toolkit
 - Single tool for GPU and CPU performance analysis with statistics for the whole application
 - Parallel Debugger support with allinea DDT or TotalView
 - Auto-tuned Scientific Libraries support
 - Getting performance from the system ... no assembly required







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Cray Inc. Overview

- 35+ year legacy focused on building the worlds fastest computer.
- 1000+ employees world wide
 - Growing in a tough economy
- Cray XT6 first computer to deliver a PetaFLOP/s in a production environment
 - Jaguar system at Oakridge
- A full range of products

OpenACC Accelerator Programming Model

• Why a new model? There are already many ways to program:

- CUDA and OpenCL
 - All are quite low-level and closely coupled to the GPU
 - PGI CUDA Fortran: still CUDA just in a better base language
 - User needs to write specialized kernels:
 - Hard to write and debug
 - Hard to optimize for specific GPU
 - Hard to update (porting/functionality)

OpenACC Directives provide high-level approach

- Simple programming model for hybrid systems
- Easier to maintain/port/extend code
 - Non-executable statements (comments, pragmas)
 - The same source code can be compiled for multicore CPU
- Based on the work in the OpenMP Accelerator Subcommittee
- PGI accelerator directives, CAPS HMPP
 - First steps in the right direction Needed standardization
- Possible performance sacrifice
 - A small performance gap is acceptable (do you still hand-code in assembly?)
 - Goal is to provide at least 80% of the performance obtained with hand coded CUDA

• Compiler support: all complete in 2012

• Cray CCE, PGI, CAPS



The OpenACC Application Program Interface describes a collection of compiler directives to specify loops and regions of code in standard C, C++ and Fortran to be offloaded from a host CPU to an attached accelerator, providing portability across operating systems, host CPUs and accelerators.

Most OpenACC directives apply to the immediately following structured block or loop: a structured block is a single statement or a compound statement (C or C++) or a sequence of statements (Fortran) with a single entry point at the top and a single exit at the bottom.



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