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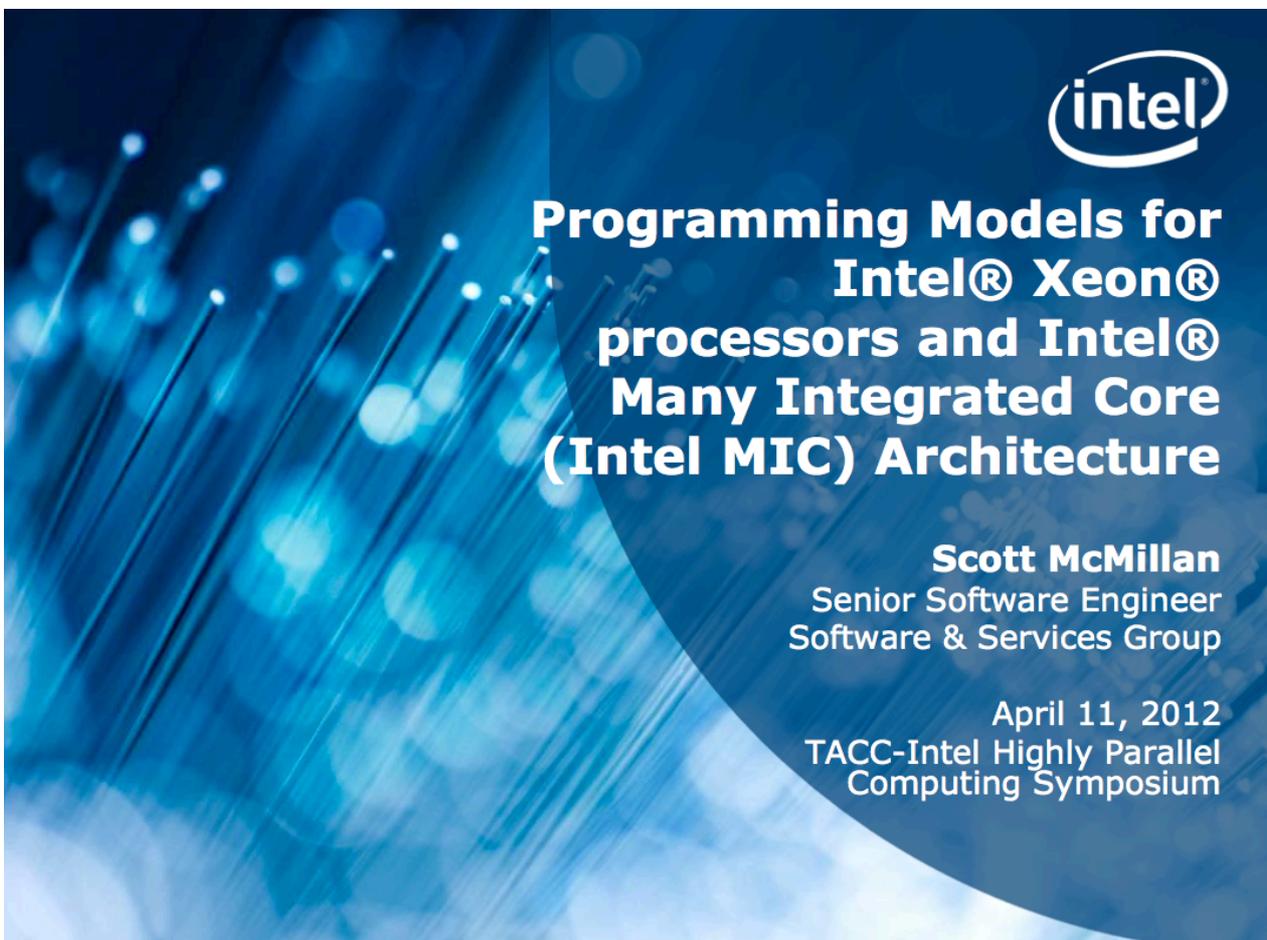
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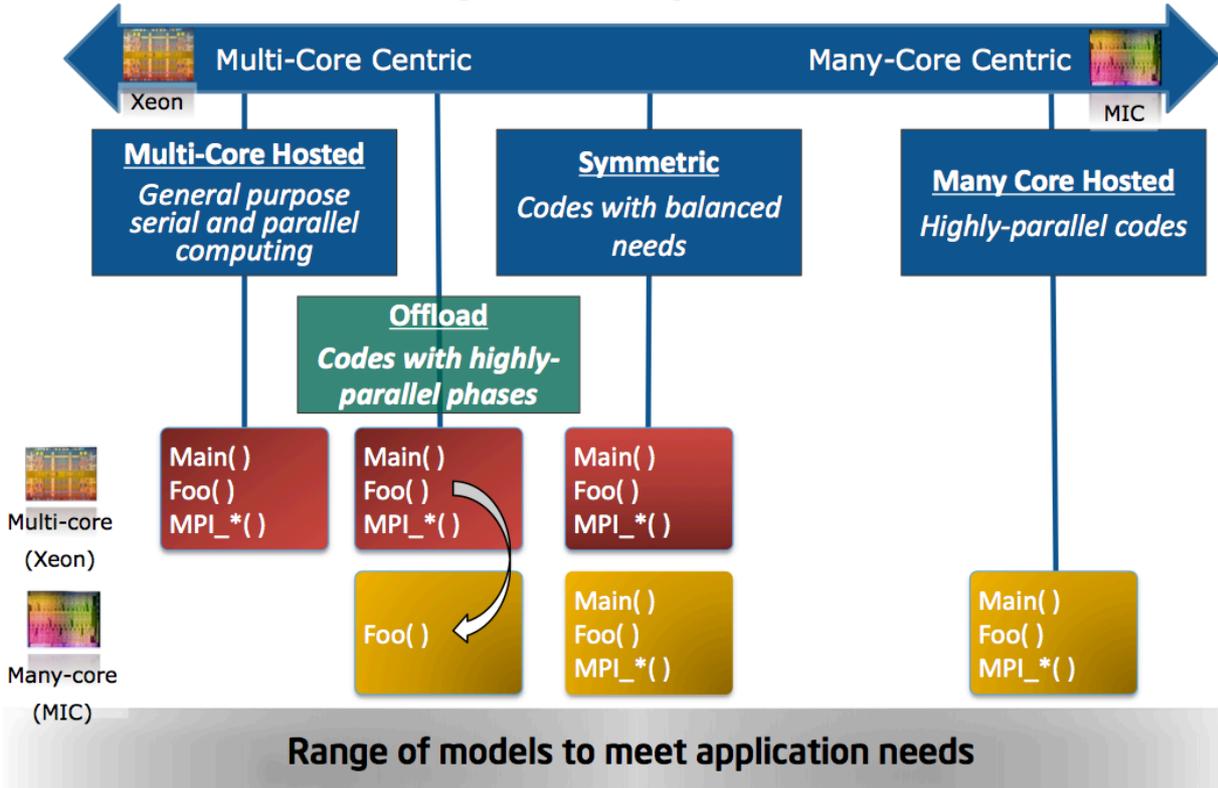
Data Parallelism 3 (*MIC/CUDA programming*) *(most slides are borrowed)*

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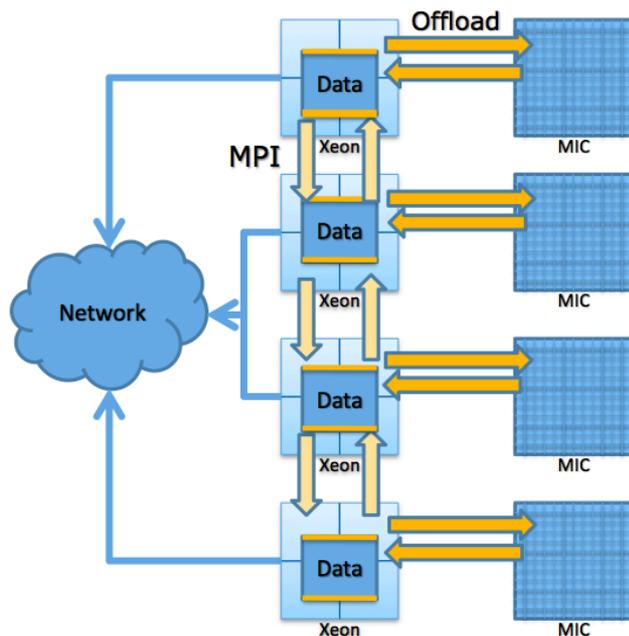
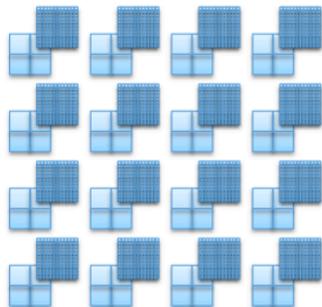


Spectrum of Programming Models and Mindsets



Programming Intel® MIC-based Systems MPI+Offload

- MPI ranks on Intel® Xeon® processors (only)
- All messages into/out of processors
- Offload models used to accelerate MPI ranks
- Intel® Cilk™ Plus, OpenMP*, Intel® Threading Building Blocks, Pthreads* within Intel® MIC
- Homogenous network of hybrid nodes:



Offload Code Examples

- C/C++ Offload Pragma

```
#pragma offload target(mic)
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+:pi)
for (i=0; i<count; i++) {
    float t = (float)((i+0.5)/count);
    pi += 4.0/(1.0+t*t);
}
pi /= count;
```

- Function Offload Example

```
#pragma offload target(mic)
in(transa, transb, N, alpha, beta) \
in(A:length(matrix_elements)) \
in(B:length(matrix_elements)) \
inout(C:length(matrix_elements))
sgemm(&transa, &transb, &N, &N, &N,
&alpha, A, &N, B, &N, &beta, C, &N);
```

- Fortran Offload Directive

```
!dir$ omp offload target(mic)
!$omp parallel do
do i=1,10
    A(i) = B(i) * C(i)
enddo
```

- C/C++ Language Extension

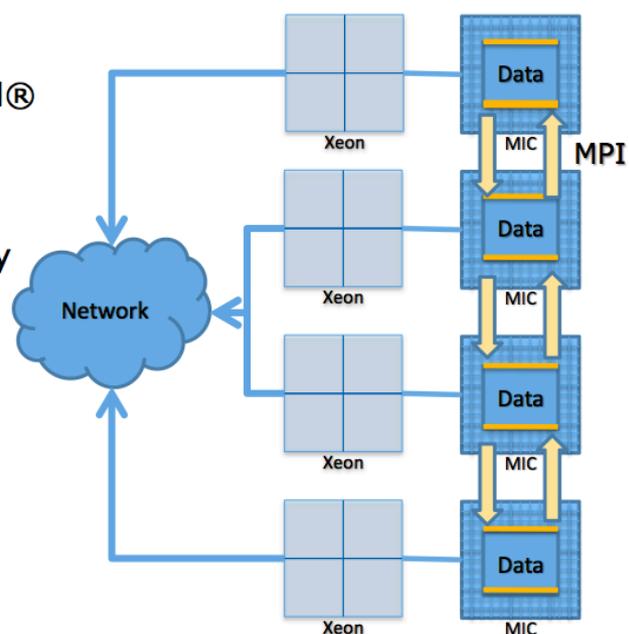
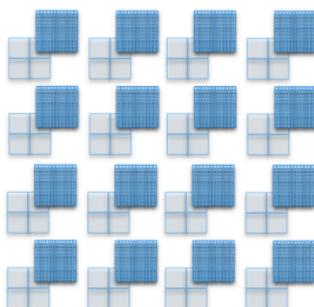
```
class _Cilk_Shared common {
    int data1;
    char *data2;
    class common *next;
    void process();
};
_Cilk_Shared class common obj1, obj2;
_Cilk_spawn _Offload obj1.process();
_Cilk_spawn obj2.process();
```



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Programming Intel® MIC-based Systems *Many-core Hosted*

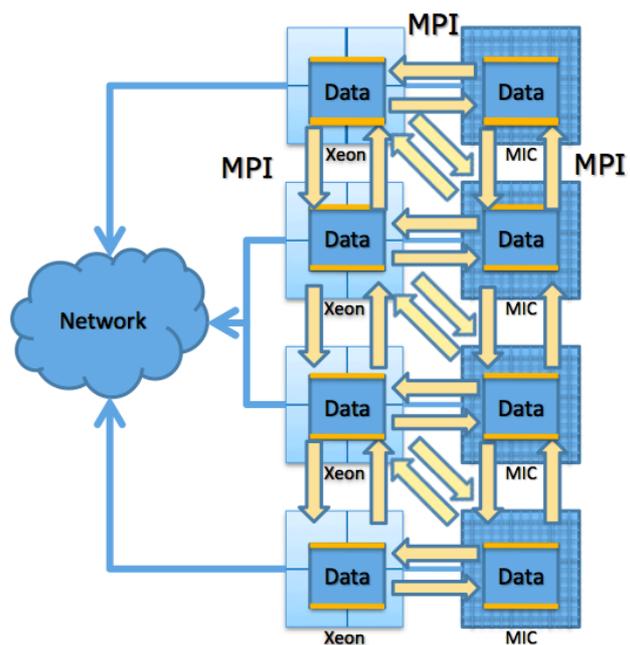
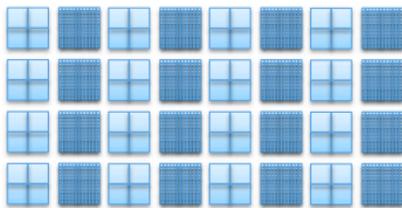
- MPI ranks on Intel® MIC (only)
- All messages into/out of Intel® MIC
- Intel® Cilk™ Plus, OpenMP*, Intel® Threading Building Blocks, Pthreads used directly within MPI processes
- Programmed as homogenous network of many-core CPUs:



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Programming Intel® MIC-based Systems Symmetric

- MPI *ranks* on Intel® MIC and Intel® Xeon® processors
- Messages to/from any core
- Intel® Cilk™ Plus, OpenMP*, Intel® Threading Building Blocks, Pthreads* used directly within MPI processes
- Programmed as heterogeneous network of homogeneous nodes:



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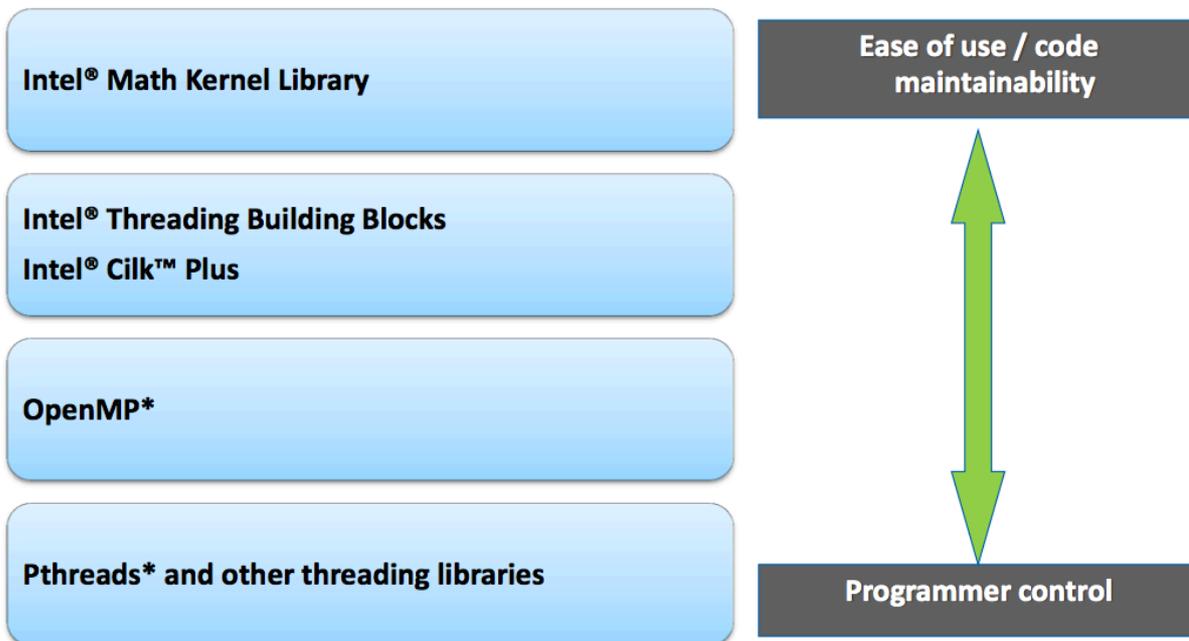
Keys to Productive Performance on Intel® MIC Architecture

- Choose the right Multi-core centric or Many-core centric model for your application
- Vectorize your application (today)
 - Use the Intel vectorizing compiler
- Parallelize your application (today)
 - With MPI (or other multi-process model)
 - With threads (via Intel® Cilk™ Plus, OpenMP*, Intel® Threading Building Blocks, Pthreads, etc.)
- Go asynchronous to overlap computation and communication



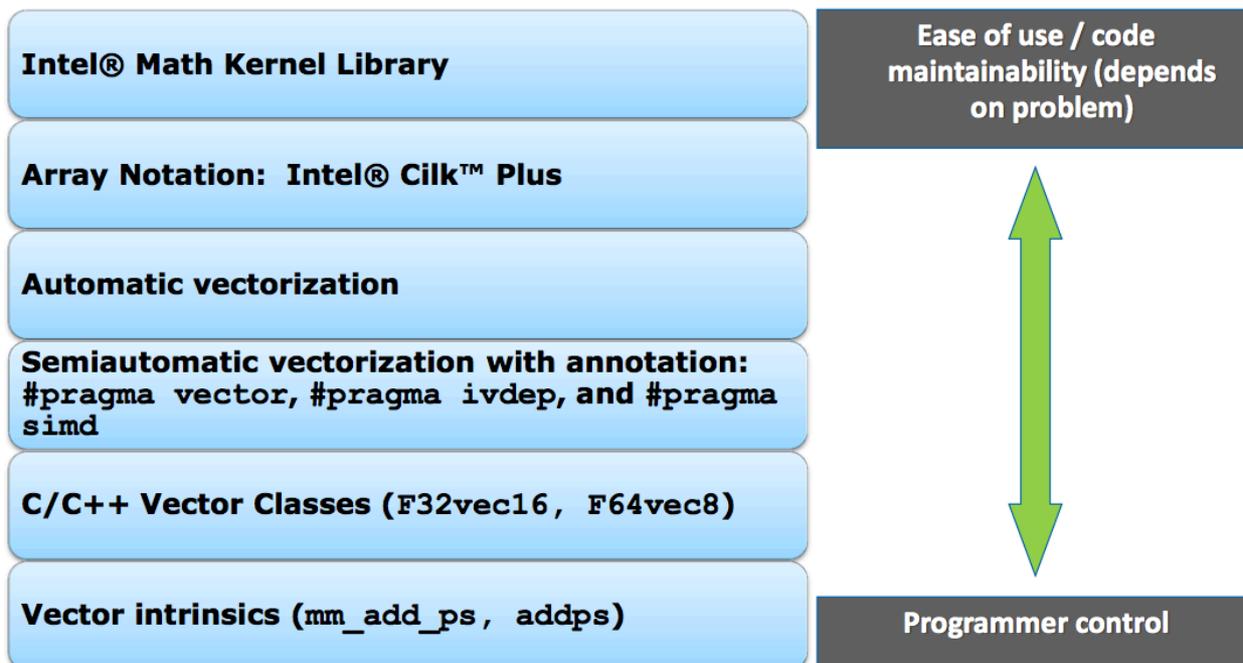
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Options for Thread Parallelism



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Options for Vectorization



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Summary

- Intel® MIC Architecture offers familiar and flexible programming models
- Hybrid MPI/threading is becoming increasingly important as core counts grow
- Intel tools support hybrid programming today, exploiting existing standards
- Hybrid parallelism on Intel® Xeon® processors + Intel® MIC delivers superior productivity through code reuse
- Hybrid programming today on Intel® Xeon® processors readies you for Intel® MIC



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Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture: An Overview and Programming Models

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“Stand-alone” Intel® MIC Architecture Computing Environment

- Intel® MIC Architecture software environment includes a highly functional, Linux* OS running on the co-processor with:
 - A familiar interactive shell
 - IP Addressability [headless node]
 - A local file system with subdirectories, file reads, writes, etc
 - standard i/o including printf
 - Virtual memory management
 - Process, thread management & scheduling
 - Interrupt and exception handling
 - Semaphores, mutexes, etc...
- What does this mean?
 - A large majority of existing code even with OS oriented calls like fork() can port with a simple recompile
 - Intel MIC Architecture natively supports parallel coding models like Intel® Cilk™ Plus, Intel® Threading Building Blocks, pthreads*, OpenMP*

foeey.c

```
main()
{
    printf("running Foo()\n");
    Foo();
}

Foo()
{
    printf("foeey\n");
}
```

Intel MIC Architecture
(Knights Corner console)

```
mymic>ls
foeey
mymic>./foeey
running Foo()
foeey
mymic>
```

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Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture)

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Stand-alone Example: Computing Pi

```
# define NSET 1000000
int main ( int argc, const char** argv )
{
    long int i;
    float num_inside, Pi;
    num_inside = 0.0f;
    #pragma omp parallel for reduction(+:num_inside)
    for( i = 0; i < NSET; i++ )
    {
        float x, y, distance_from_zero;
        // Generate x, y random numbers in [0,1)
        x = float(rand()) / float(RAND_MAX + 1);
        y = float(rand()) / float(RAND_MAX + 1);
        distance_from_zero = sqrt(x*x + y*y);
        if ( distance_from_zero <= 1.0f )
            num_inside += 1.0f;
    }
    Pi = 4.0f * ( num_inside / NSET );
    printf("Value of Pi = %f \n",Pi);
}
```

Original Source Code
Compiler command line switch targets platform



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Co-Processing Example: Computing Pi

```
# define NSET 1000000
int main ( int argc, const char** argv )
{   long int i;
    float num_inside, Pi;
    num_inside = 0.0f;
    #pragma offload target (MIC)
    #pragma omp parallel for reduction(+:num_inside)
    for( i = 0; i < NSET; i++ )
    {   float x, y, distance_from_zero;
        // Generate x, y random numbers in [0,1)
        x = float(rand()) / float(RAND_MAX + 1);
        y = float(rand()) / float(RAND_MAX + 1);
        distance_from_zero = sqrt(x*x + y*y);
        if ( distance_from_zero <= 1.0f )
            num_inside += 1.0f;
    }
    Pi = 4.0f * ( num_inside / NSET );
    printf("Value of Pi = %f \n",Pi);
}
```

A one line change from the CPU version



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The CUDA programming model



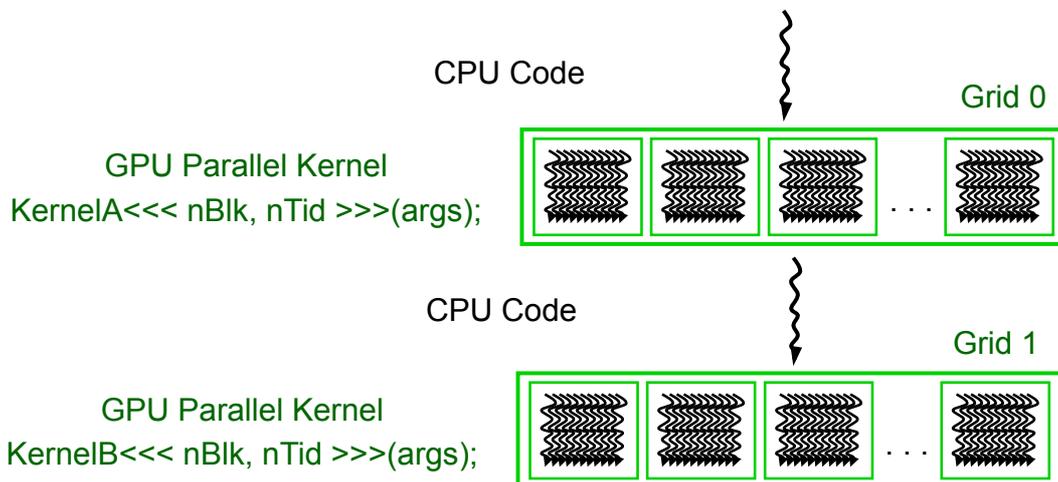
- **Compute Unified Device Architecture**
- CUDA is a recent programming model, designed for
 - a multicore CPU **host** coupled to a many-core **device**, where
 - **devices** have wide SIMD/SIMT parallelism, and
 - the **host** and the **device** do not share memory
- CUDA provides:
 - a thread abstraction to deal with SIMD
 - synchr. & data sharing between small groups of threads
- CUDA programs are written in C with extensions
- OpenCL inspired by CUDA, but hw & sw vendor neutral
 - programming model essentially identical

CUDA Devices and Threads

- A compute **device**
 - is a coprocessor to the CPU or **host**
 - has its own DRAM (**device memory**)
 - runs many **threads in parallel**
 - is typically a **GPU** but can also be another type of parallel processing device
- Data-parallel portions of an application are expressed as device **kernels** which run on many threads - **SIMT**
- Differences between GPU and CPU threads
 - GPU threads are extremely lightweight
 - very little creation overhead, **requires LARGE register bank**
 - GPU needs 1000s of threads for full efficiency
 - multi-core CPU needs only a few

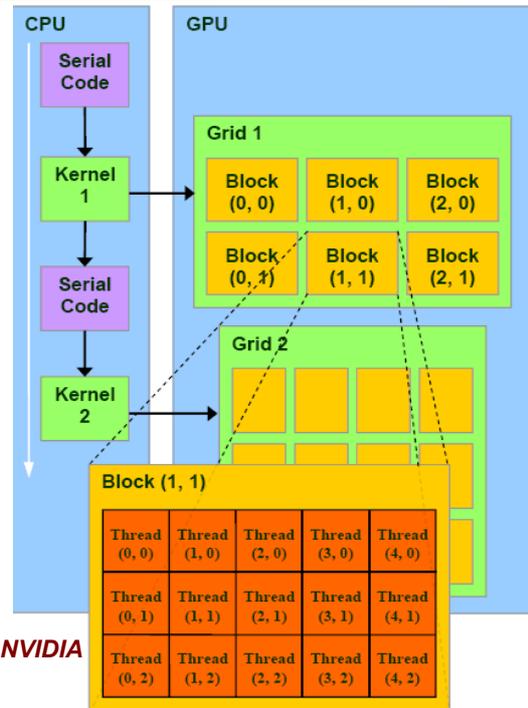
CUDA basic model: Single-Program Multiple-Data (SPMD)

- CUDA integrated CPU + GPU application C program
 - Serial C code executes on CPU
 - Parallel **Kernel** C code executes on GPU **thread blocks**



Programming Model: SPMD + SIMT/SIMD

- Hierarchy
 - Device => Grids
 - Grid => Blocks
 - Block => Warps
 - Warp => Threads
- Single kernel runs on multiple blocks (SPMD)
- Threads within a warp are executed in a lock-step way called single-instruction multiple-thread (SIMT)
- Single instructions are executed on multiple threads (SIMD)
 - Warp size defines SIMD granularity (32 threads)
- Synchronization within a block uses shared memory

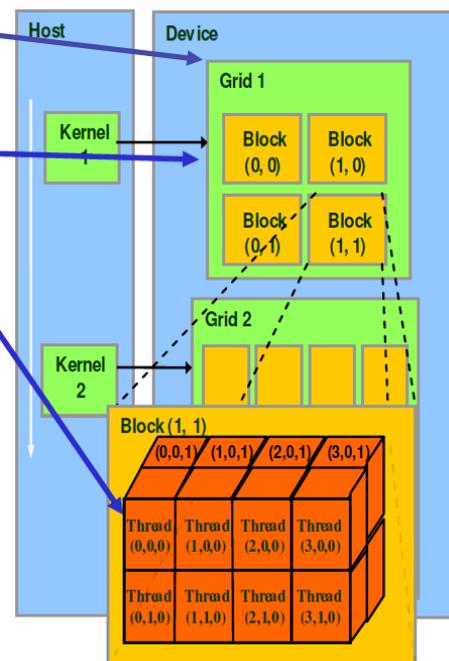


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The Computational Grid: Block IDs and Thread IDs

- A **kernel** runs on a **computational grid of thread blocks**
 - Threads share global memory
- Each thread uses IDs to decide what data to work on
 - Block ID: 1D or 2D
 - Thread ID: 1D, 2D, or 3D
- A thread block is a batch of threads that can cooperate by:
 - Sync their execution w/ barrier
 - Efficiently sharing data through a low latency shared memory
 - Two threads from two different blocks cannot cooperate



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Example

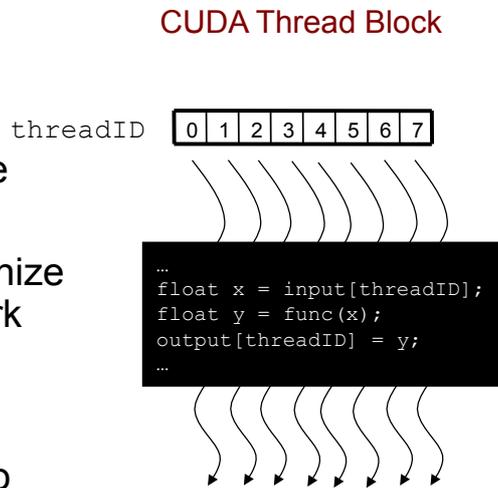
- Multiply two vectors of length 8192
 - Code that works over all elements is the grid
 - Thread blocks break this down into manageable sizes
 - 512 threads per block
 - SIMD instruction executes 32 elements at a time
 - Thus grid size = 16 blocks
 - Block is analogous to a strip-mined vector loop with vector length of 32
 - Block is assigned to a *multithreaded SIMD processor* by the *thread block scheduler*
 - Current-generation GPUs (Fermi) have 7-16 multithreaded SIMD processors

Terminology (*and in NVidia*)

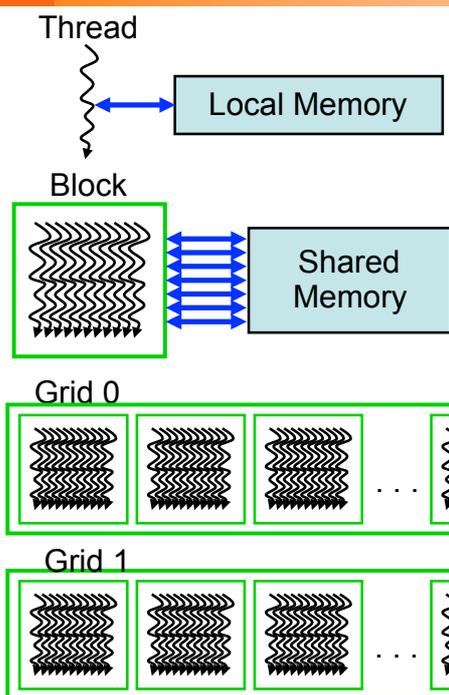
- *Threads of SIMD instructions (warps)*
 - Each has its own IP (up to 48/64 per SIMD processor, Fermi/Kepler)
 - Thread scheduler uses scoreboard to dispatch
 - No data dependencies between threads!
 - Threads are organized into blocks & executed in groups of 32 threads (*thread block*)
 - Blocks are organized into a grid
- The thread block scheduler schedules blocks to SIMD processors (*Streaming Multiprocessors*)
- Within each SIMD processor:
 - 32 SIMD lanes (*thread processors*)
 - Wide and shallow compared to vector processors

CUDA Thread Block

- Programmer declares (Thread) Block:
 - Block size 1 to **512** concurrent threads
 - Block shape 1D, 2D, or 3D
 - Block dimensions in threads
- All threads in a Block execute the same thread program
- Threads share data and synchronize while doing their share of the work
- Threads have **thread id** numbers within Block
- Thread program uses **thread id** to select work and address shared data



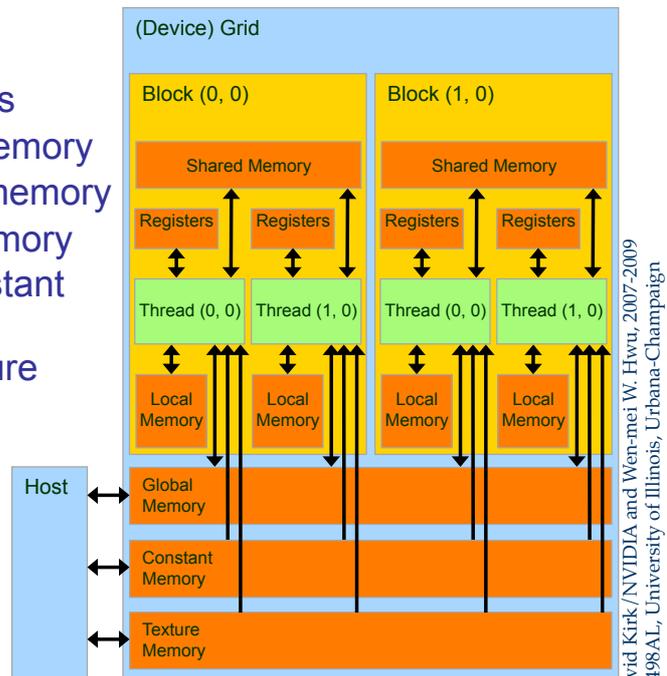
Parallel Memory Sharing



- Local Memory: **per-thread**
 - Private per thread
 - Auto variables, register spill
- Shared Memory: **per-block**
 - Shared by threads of the same block
 - Inter-thread communication
- Global Memory: **per-application**
 - Shared by all threads
 - Inter-Grid communication

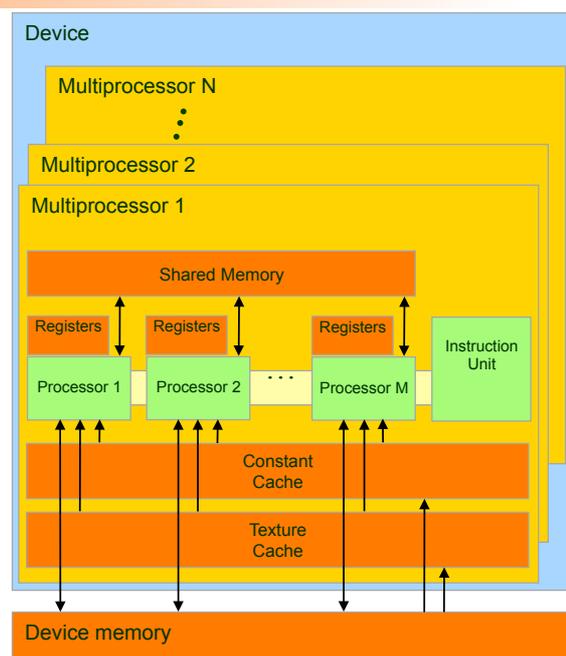
CUDA Memory Model Overview

- Each thread can:
 - R/W per-thread registers
 - R/W per-thread local memory
 - R/W per-block shared memory
 - R/W per-grid global memory
 - Read only per-grid constant memory
 - Read only per-grid texture memory
- The host can R/W global, constant, and texture memories



Hardware Implementation: Memory Architecture

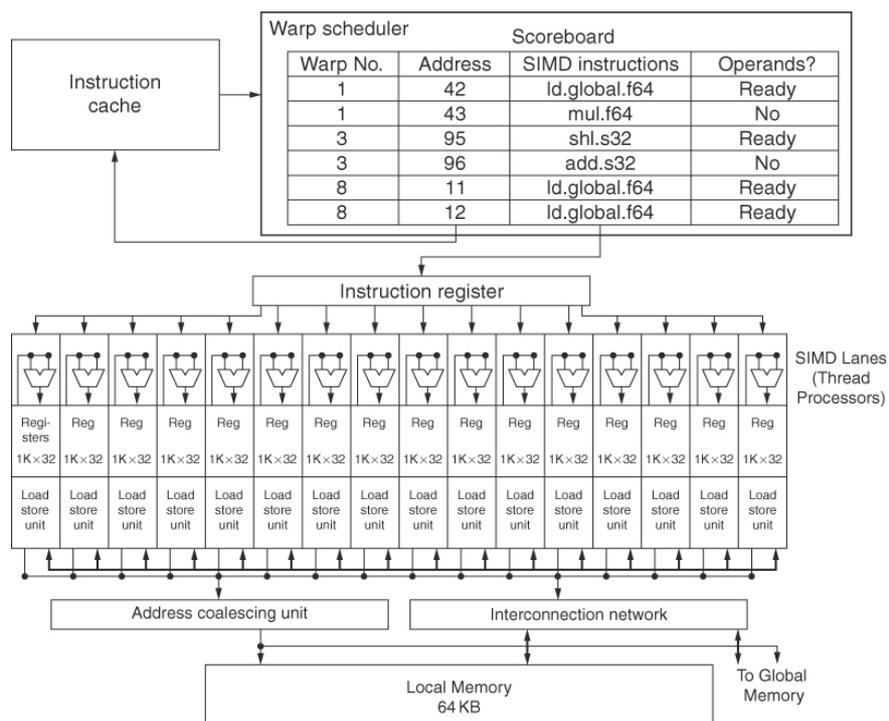
- Device memory (DRAM)
 - Slow (2~300 cycles)
 - Local, global, constant, and texture memory
- On-chip memory
 - Fast (1 cycle)
 - Registers, shared memory, constant/texture cache



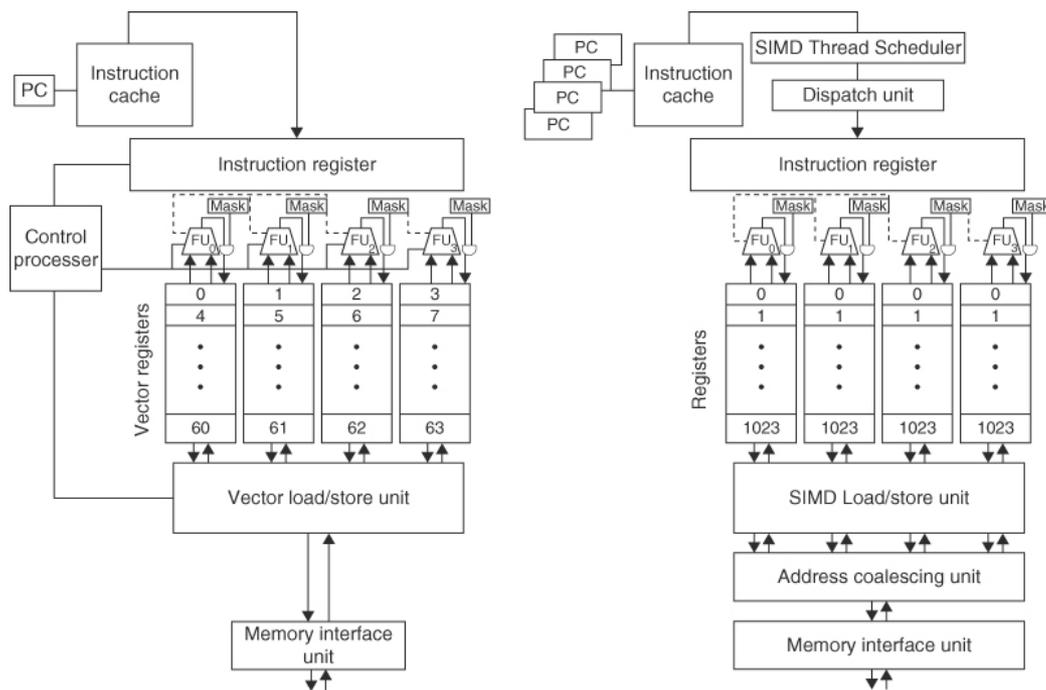
NVIDIA GPU Memory Structures

- Each SIMD Lane has private section of **off-chip DRAM**
 - “Private memory” (*Local Memory*)
 - Contains stack frame, spilling registers, and private variables
- Each multithreaded SIMD processor also has local memory (*Shared Memory*)
 - Shared by SIMD lanes / threads within a block
- Memory shared by SIMD processors is GPU Memory (*Global Memory*)
 - Host can read and write GPU memory

Example



Vector Processor versus CUDA core



Conditional Branching

- Like vector architectures, GPU branch hardware uses internal masks
- Also uses
 - Branch synchronization stack
 - Entries consist of masks for each SIMD lane
 - I.e. which threads commit their results (all threads execute)
 - Instruction markers to manage when a branch diverges into multiple execution paths
 - Push on divergent branch
 - ...and when paths converge
 - Act as barriers
 - Pops stack
- Per-thread-lane 1-bit predicate register, specified by programmer