

# Software Design for PDEs on GPUs

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# Thrust

**Thrust** is a CUDA library of parallel algorithms

- Interface similar to C++ Standard Template Library
- Containers (`vector`) on both host and device
- Algorithms: `sort`, `reduce`, `scan`
- Freely available, part of PETSc configure (`-with-thrust-dir`)
- Included as part of CUDA 4.0 installation

# Cusp

**Cusp** is a CUDA library for sparse linear algebra and graph computations

- Builds on data structures in Thrust
- Provides sparse matrices in several formats (CSR, Hybrid)
- Includes some preliminary preconditioners (Jacobi, SA-AMG)
- Freely available, part of PETSc configure (`-with-cusp-dir`)

## Strategy: Define a new **Vec** implementation

- Uses **Thrust** for data storage and operations on GPU
- Supports full PETSc **Vec** interface
- Inherits PETSc scalar type
- Can be activated at runtime, `-vec_type cuda`
- PETSc provides memory coherence mechanism

# Memory Coherence

PETSc Objects now hold a coherence flag

PETSC_CUDA_UNALLOCATED	No allocation on the GPU
PETSC_CUDA_GPU	Values on GPU are current
PETSC_CUDA_CPU	Values on CPU are current
PETSC_CUDA_BOTH	Values on both are current

**Table:** Flags used to indicate the memory state of a PETSc CUDA **Vec** object.

## Also define new **Mat** implementations

- Uses **Cusp** for data storage and operations on GPU
- Supports full PETSc **Mat** interface, some ops on CPU
- Can be activated at runtime, `-mat_type aijcuda`
- Notice that parallel matvec necessitates off-GPU data transfer

## Solvers come for **Free**

Preliminary Implementation of PETSc Using GPU,  
Minden, Smith, Knepley, 2010

- All linear algebra types work with solvers
- Entire solve can take place on the GPU
  - Only communicate scalars back to CPU
- GPU communication cost could be amortized over several solves
- Preconditioners are a problem
  - Cusp has a promising AMG



# Installation

## PETSc only needs

```
# Turn on CUDA
--with-cuda
# Specify the CUDA compiler
--with-cudac='nvcc -m64'
# Indicate the location of packages
# --download-* will also work soon
--with-thrust-dir=/PETSc3/multicore/thrust
--with-cusp-dir=/PETSc3/multicore/cusp
# Can also use double precision
--with-precision=single
```

# Example

## Driven Cavity Velocity-Vorticity with Multigrid

```
ex50 -da_vec_type seqcusp
     -da_mat_type aijcusp -mat_no_inode # Setup types
     -da_grid_x 100 -da_grid_y 100     # Set grid size
     -pc_type none -pc_mg_levels 1     # Setup solver
     -preload off -cuda_synchronize   # Setup run
     -log_summary
```

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```
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# Form Decomposition

Element integrals are decomposed into analytic and geometric parts:

$$\int_{\mathcal{T}} \nabla \phi_i(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla \phi_j(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \quad (4)$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{T}} \frac{\partial \phi_i(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_j(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_\alpha} d\mathbf{x} \quad (5)$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{T}_{\text{ref}}} \frac{\partial \xi_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_i(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\beta} \frac{\partial \xi_\gamma}{\partial x_\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_j(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\gamma} |\mathbf{J}| d\mathbf{x} \quad (6)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \xi_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \frac{\partial \xi_\gamma}{\partial x_\alpha} |\mathbf{J}| \int_{\mathcal{T}_{\text{ref}}} \frac{\partial \phi_i(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\beta} \frac{\partial \phi_j(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\gamma} d\mathbf{x} \quad (7)$$

$$= \mathbf{G}^{\beta\gamma}(\mathcal{T}) \mathbf{K}_{\beta\gamma}^{ij} \quad (8)$$

Coefficients are also put into the geometric part.

# Form Decomposition

Additional fields give rise to multilinear forms.

$$\int_{\mathcal{T}} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}) \cdot (\phi_k(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \phi_j(\mathbf{x})) \, dA \quad (9)$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{T}} \phi_i^\beta(\mathbf{x}) \left( \phi_k^\alpha(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \phi_j^\beta(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_\alpha} \right) \, dA \quad (10)$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{T}_{\text{ref}}} \phi_i^\beta(\xi) \phi_k^\alpha(\xi) \frac{\partial \xi_\gamma}{\partial x_\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_j^\beta(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\gamma} |J| \, dA \quad (11)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \xi_\gamma}{\partial x_\alpha} |J| \int_{\mathcal{T}_{\text{ref}}} \phi_i^\beta(\xi) \phi_k^\alpha(\xi) \frac{\partial \phi_j^\beta(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\gamma} \, dA \quad (12)$$

$$= \mathbf{G}^{\alpha\gamma}(\mathcal{T}) \mathbf{K}_{\alpha\gamma}^{ijk} \quad (13)$$

The index calculus is fully developed by Kirby and Logg in  
**A Compiler for Variational Forms.**

# Form Decomposition

Isoparametric Jacobians also give rise to multilinear forms

$$\int_{\mathcal{T}} \nabla \phi_i(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla \phi_j(\mathbf{x}) dA \quad (14)$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{T}} \frac{\partial \phi_i(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_j(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_\alpha} dA \quad (15)$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{T}_{\text{ref}}} \frac{\partial \xi_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_i(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\beta} \frac{\partial \xi_\gamma}{\partial x_\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_j(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\gamma} |\mathbf{J}| dA \quad (16)$$

$$= |\mathbf{J}| \int_{\mathcal{T}_{\text{ref}}} \phi_k \mathbf{J}_k^{\beta\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_i(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\beta} \phi_l \mathbf{J}_l^{\gamma\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi_j(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\gamma} dA \quad (17)$$

$$= \mathbf{J}_k^{\beta\alpha} \mathbf{J}_l^{\gamma\alpha} |\mathbf{J}| \int_{\mathcal{T}_{\text{ref}}} \phi_k \frac{\partial \phi_i(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\beta} \phi_l \frac{\partial \phi_j(\xi)}{\partial \xi_\gamma} dA \quad (18)$$

$$= \mathbf{G}_{kl}^{\beta\gamma}(\mathcal{T}) \mathbf{K}_{\beta\gamma}^{ijkl} \quad (19)$$

A different space could also be used for Jacobians

# Weak Form Processing

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```
from ffc.analysis import analyze_forms
from ffc.compiler import compute_ir

parameters = ffc.default_parameters()
parameters['representation'] = 'tensor'
analysis = analyze_forms([a,L], {}, parameters)
ir = compute_ir(analysis, parameters)

a_K = ir[2][0]['AK'][0][0]
a_G = ir[2][0]['AK'][0][1]

K = a_K.A0.astype(numpy.float32)
G = a_G
```

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# Computational Flexibility

We **generate** different computations on the fly,

and can change

- Element Batch Size
- Number of Concurrent Elements
- Loop unrolling
- Interleaving stores with computation

# Computational Flexibility

## Basic Contraction

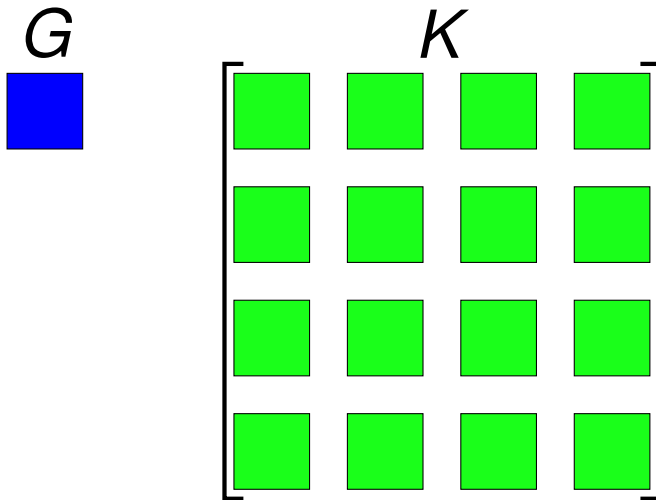


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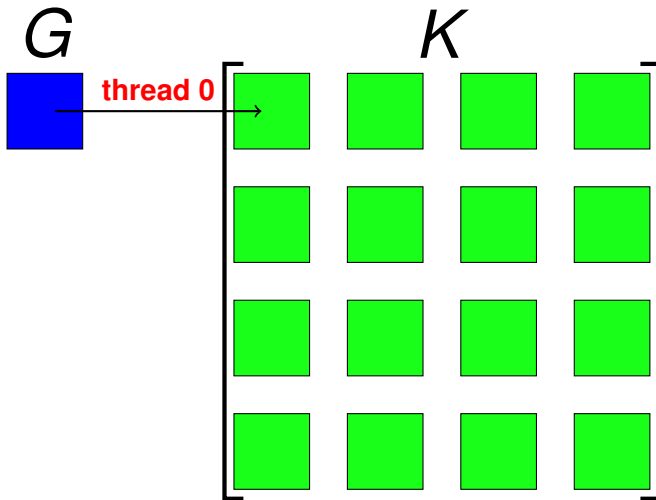


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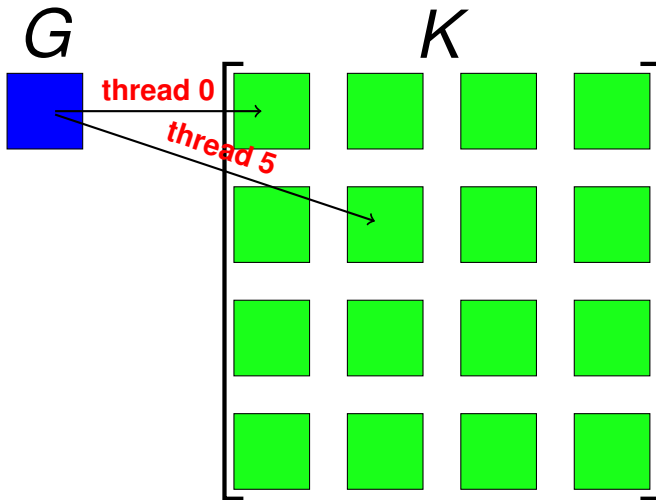


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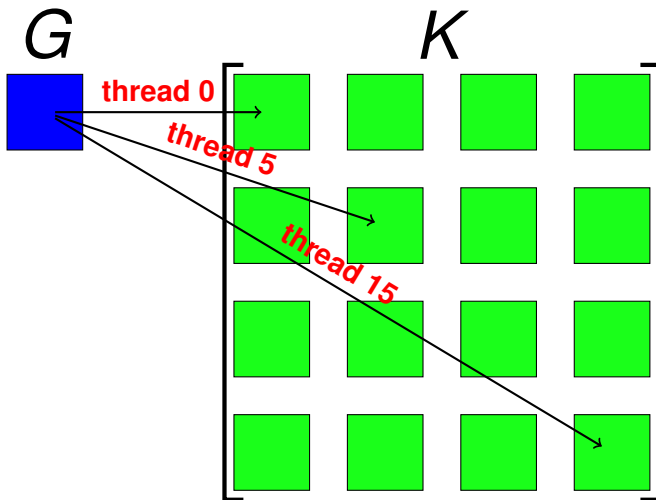


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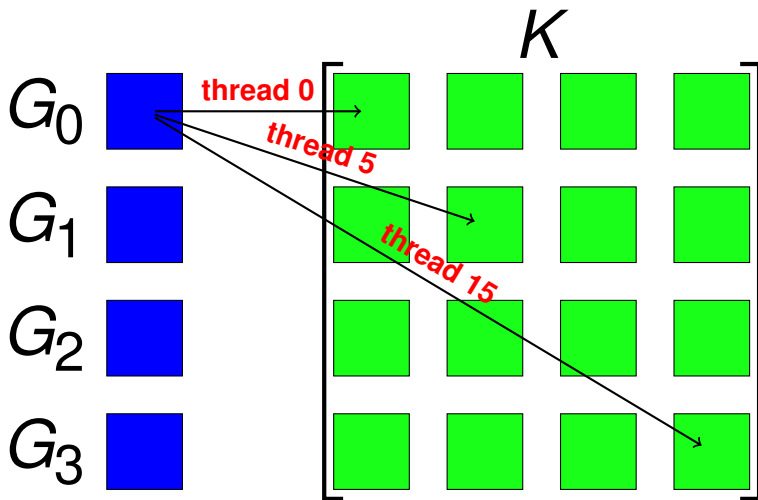


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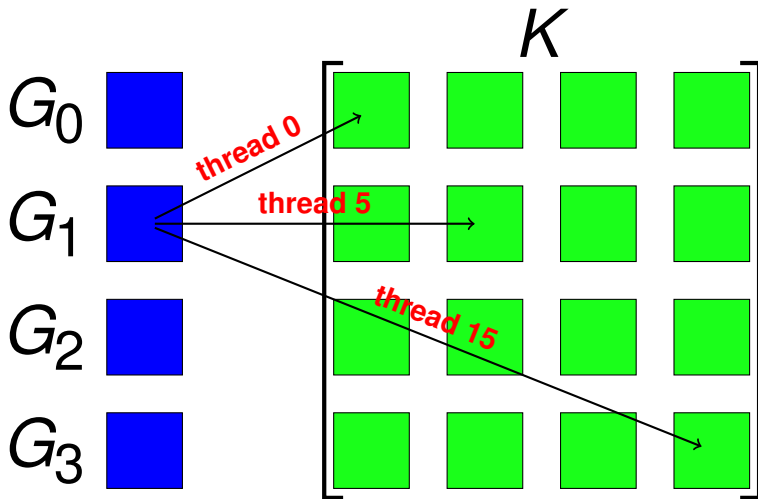


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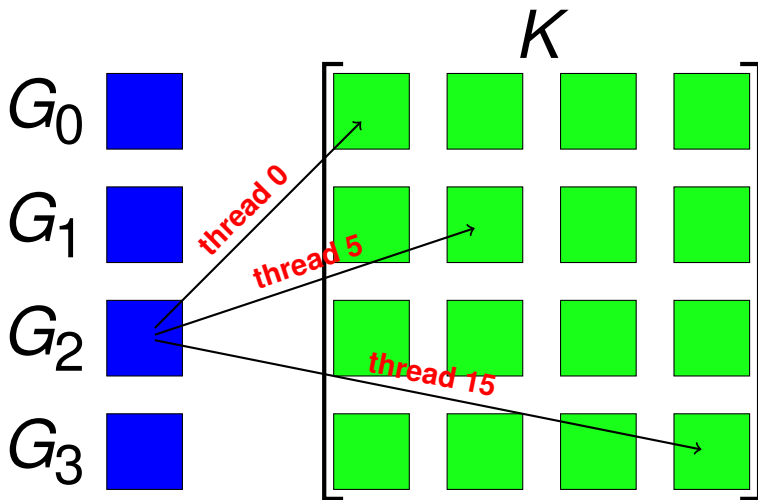


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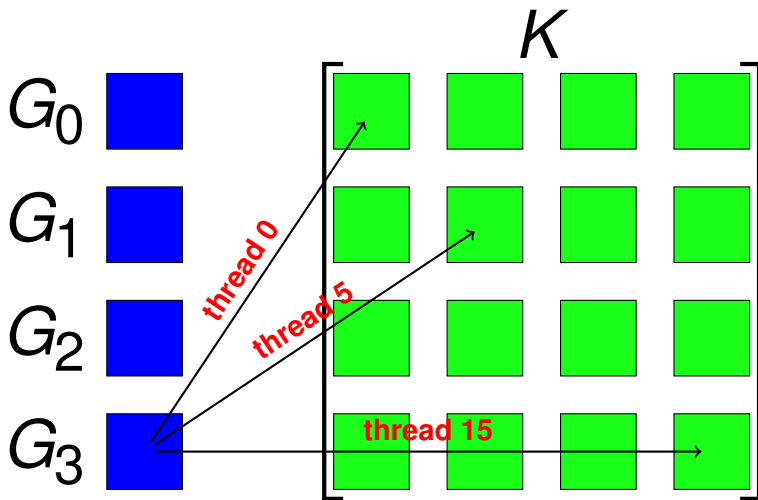
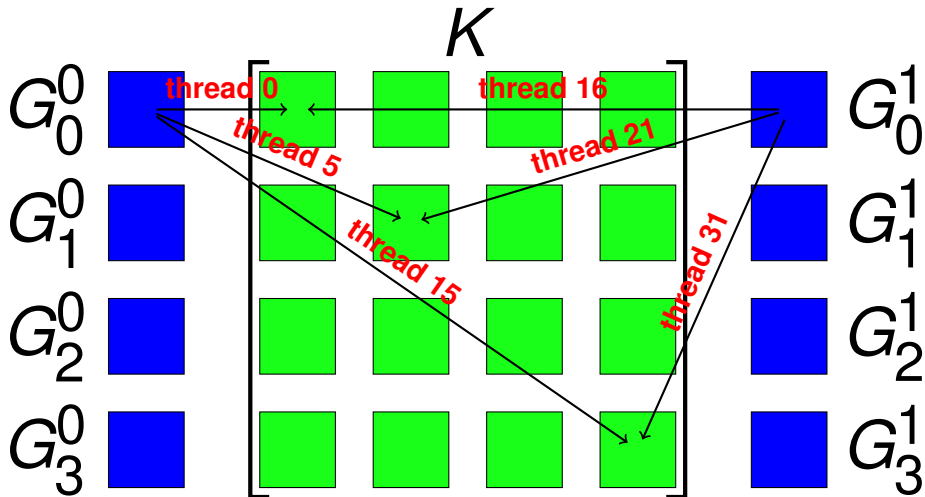


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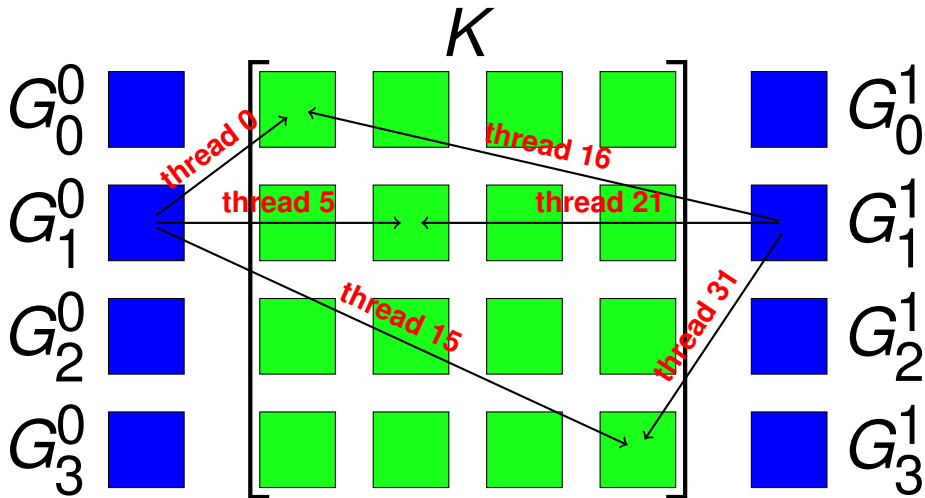
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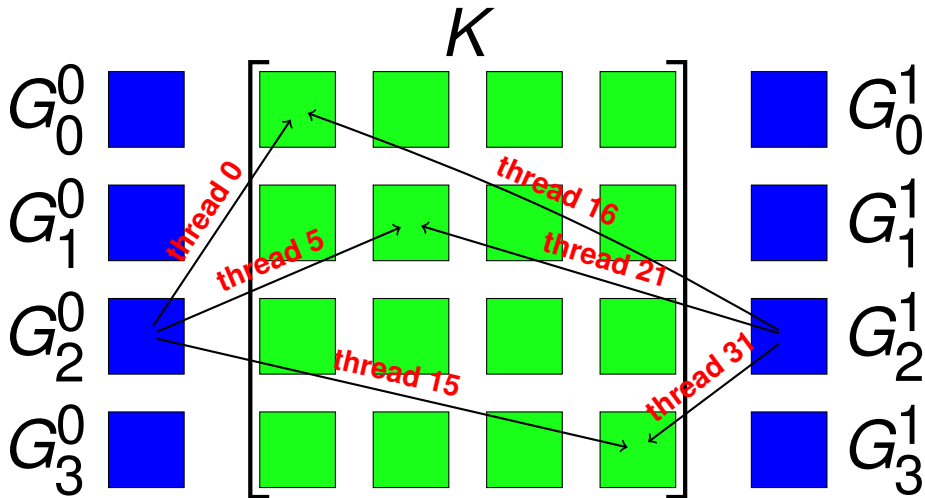
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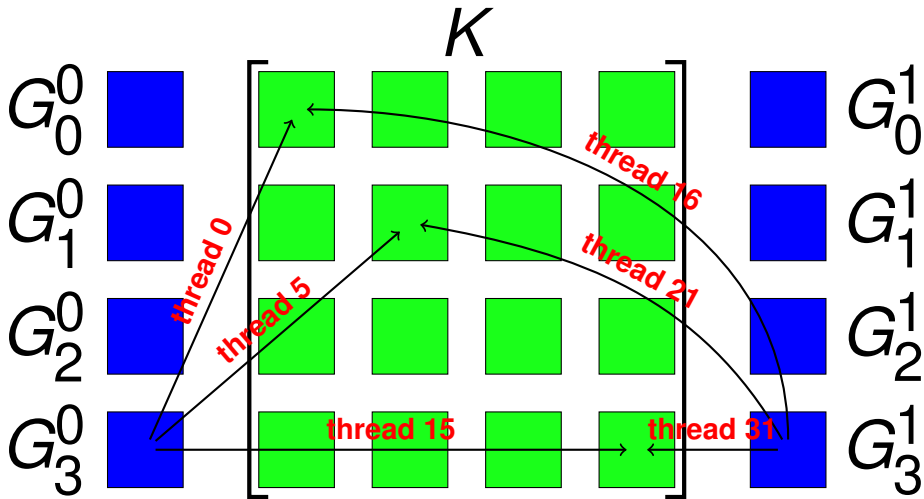
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## Loop Unrolling

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```
/* G K contraction: unroll = full */
```

```
E[0] += G[0] * K[0];
```

```
E[0] += G[1] * K[1];
```

```
E[0] += G[2] * K[2];
```

```
E[0] += G[3] * K[3];
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```
E[0] += G[4] * K[4];
```

```
E[0] += G[5] * K[5];
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```
E[0] += G[6] * K[6];
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E[0] += G[7] * K[7];
```

```
E[0] += G[8] * K[8];
```

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```
/* G K contraction: unroll = none */
for(int b = 0; b < 1; ++b) {
    const int n = b*1;
    for(int alpha = 0; alpha < 3; ++alpha) {
        for(int beta = 0; beta < 3; ++beta) {
            E[b] += G[n*9+alpha*3+beta] * K[alpha*3+beta];
        }
    }
}
```

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## Interleaving stores

```
/* G K contraction: unroll = none */
for(int b = 0; b < 4; ++b) {
    const int n = b*1;
    for(int alpha = 0; alpha < 3; ++alpha) {
        for(int beta = 0; beta < 3; ++beta) {
            E[b] += G[n*9+alpha*3+beta] * K[alpha*3+beta];
        }
    }
}
/* Store contraction results */
elemMat[Eoffset+idx+0] = E[0];
elemMat[Eoffset+idx+16] = E[1];
elemMat[Eoffset+idx+32] = E[2];
elemMat[Eoffset+idx+48] = E[3];
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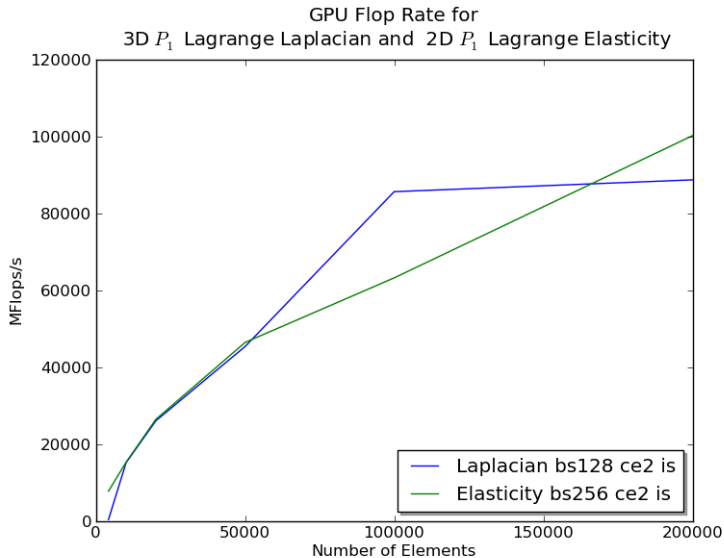
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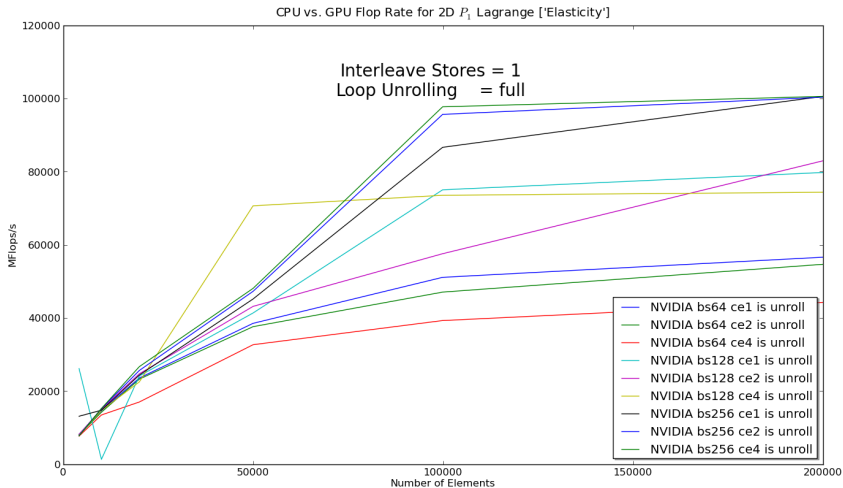
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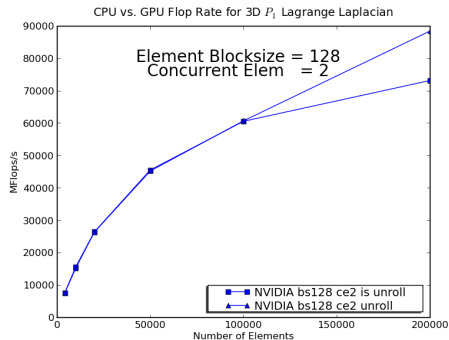
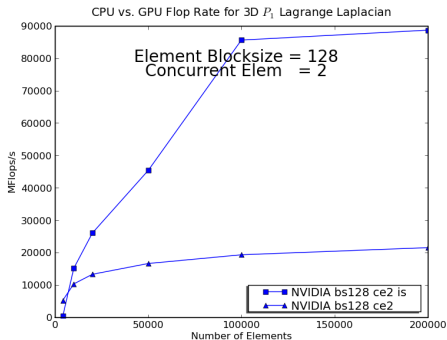
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## Influence of Element Batch Sizes



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## Influence of Code Structure



# Explaining performance

- Increase shared memory and work/thread until you top out
  - Occupancies go down or level out as performance goes up
- Does not work without interleaved stores
  - Scheduler can switch to kernels who are computing
  - Larger number of smaller computations makes better fit
- Should I worry about detailed explanations for performance?
  - Sensible decompositions, coupled with exploration
  - FLAME methodology

# Automated Tuning System

Components of our performance evaluation system:

- Generate set of kernels using:
  - Loop slicing, store reordering, etc.
  - Loop invariants ala **FLAME**
  - High level constructs ala **Rheagen** and **FEniCS**
- Store results and metadata in HDF5 using **PyTables**
  - Thousands of tests for this talk
- Interrogate and plot with **Matplotlib**
- Eventually couple to build system
  - FFTW, Spiral, FLAME

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