Image Processing

- Spatial / GIS
- Medical Imaging
- Oil and gas exploration
- ...
- A good starting use case for GPUs

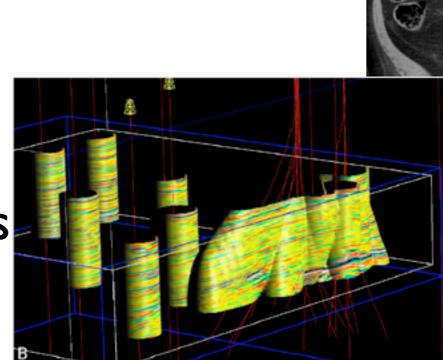
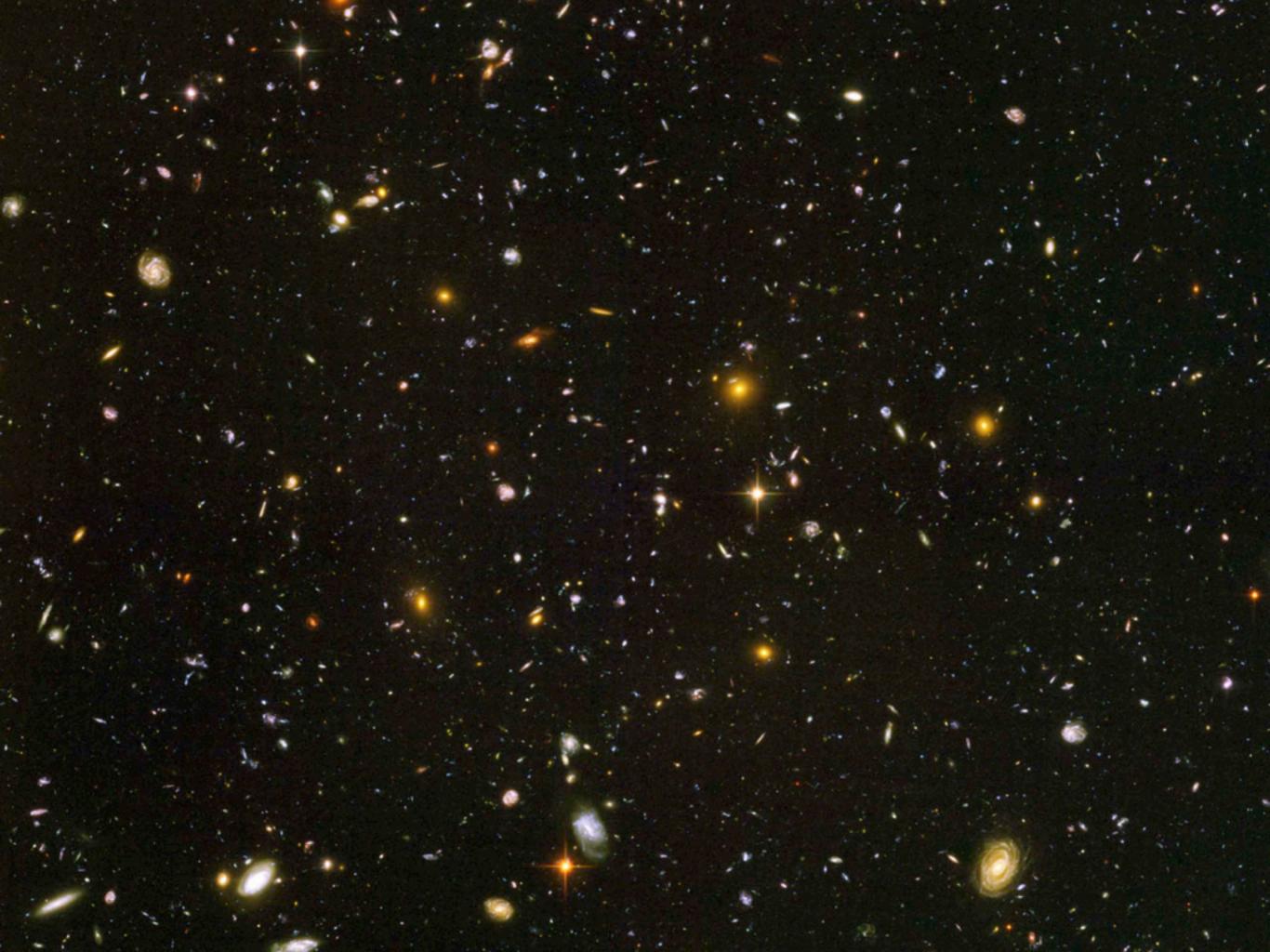


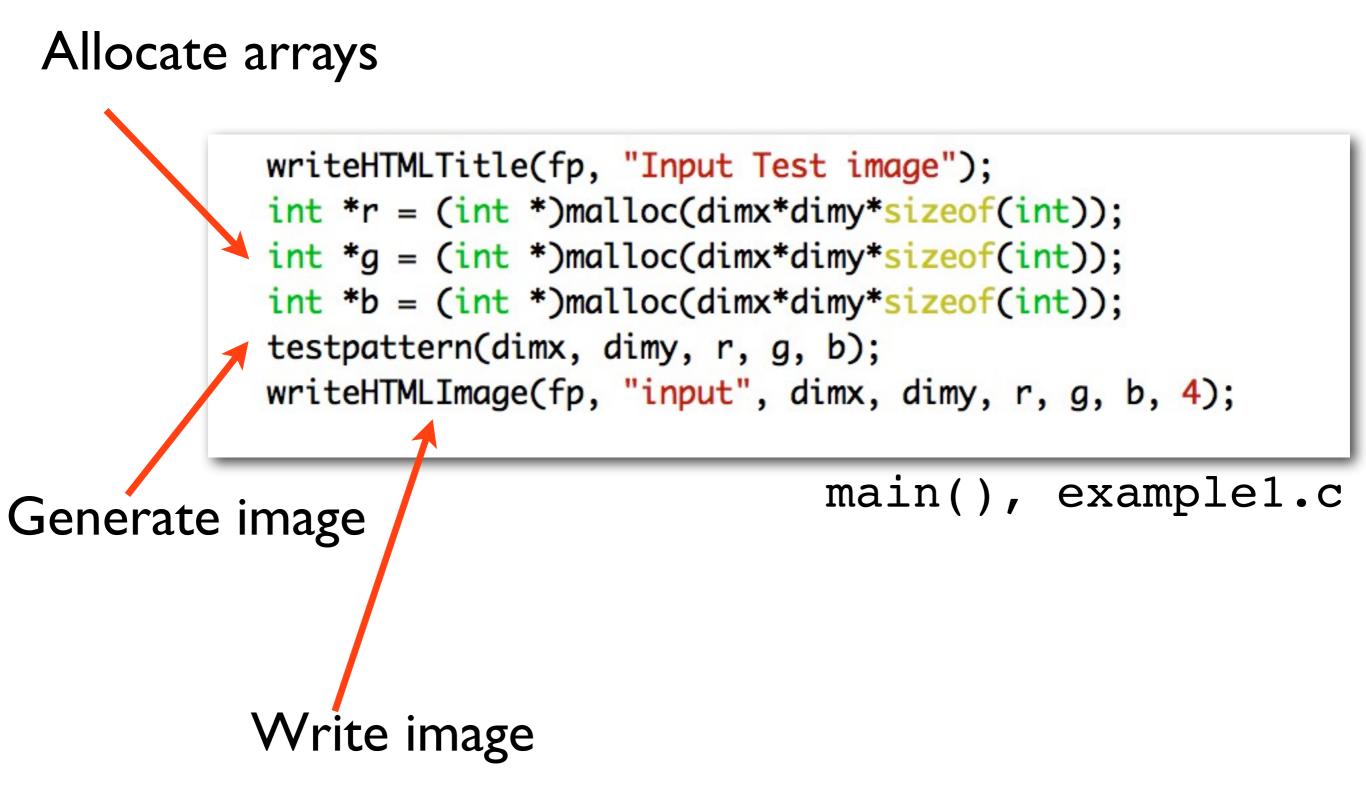


Image Processing

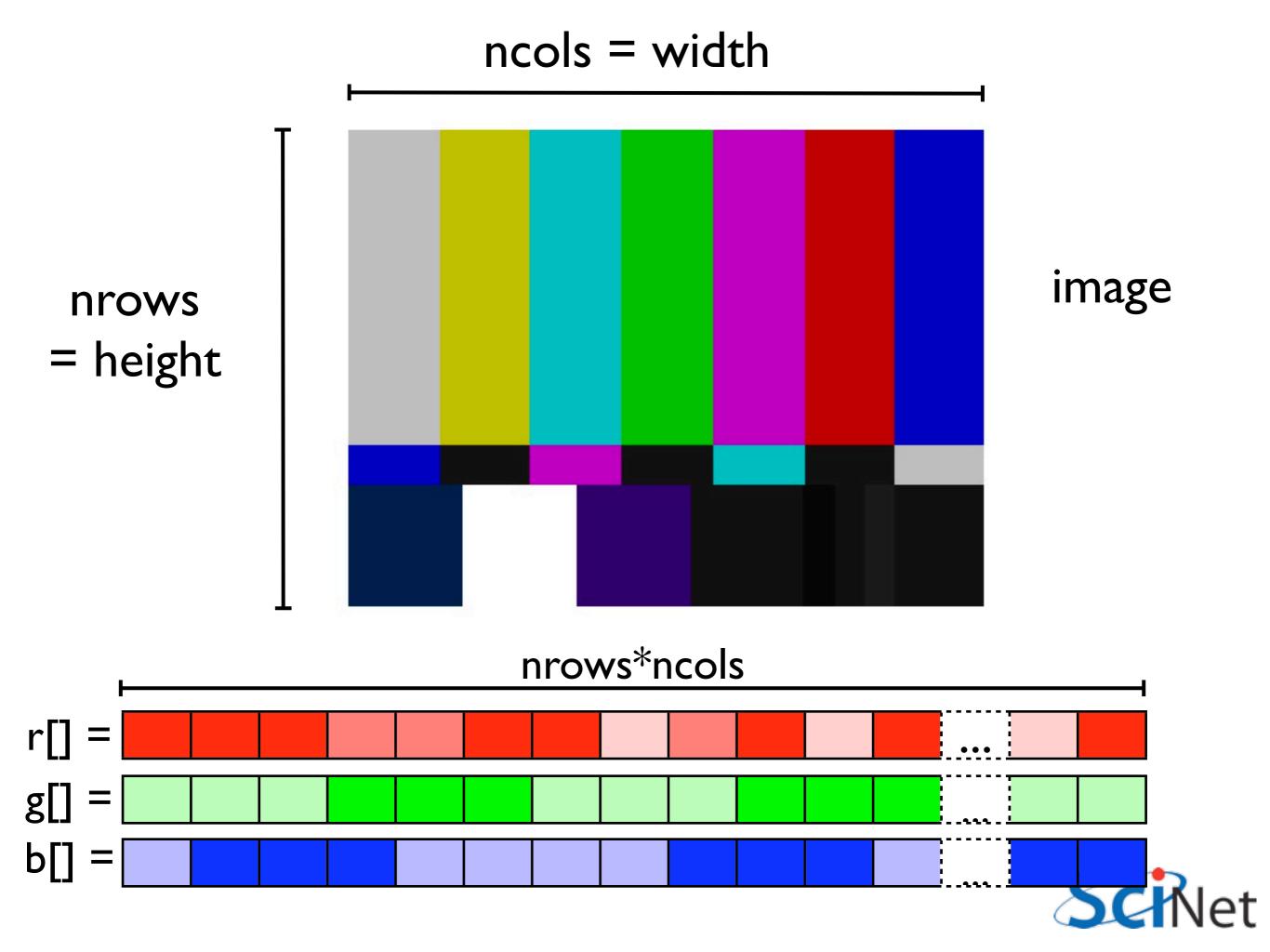
- Today:
 - Greyscaling (~contrast enhancement)
 - Smoothing (de-speckling/de-noising)
- Today's processing are simple, butbut often part of real image processing pipeline
- (eg, astronomical image processing)





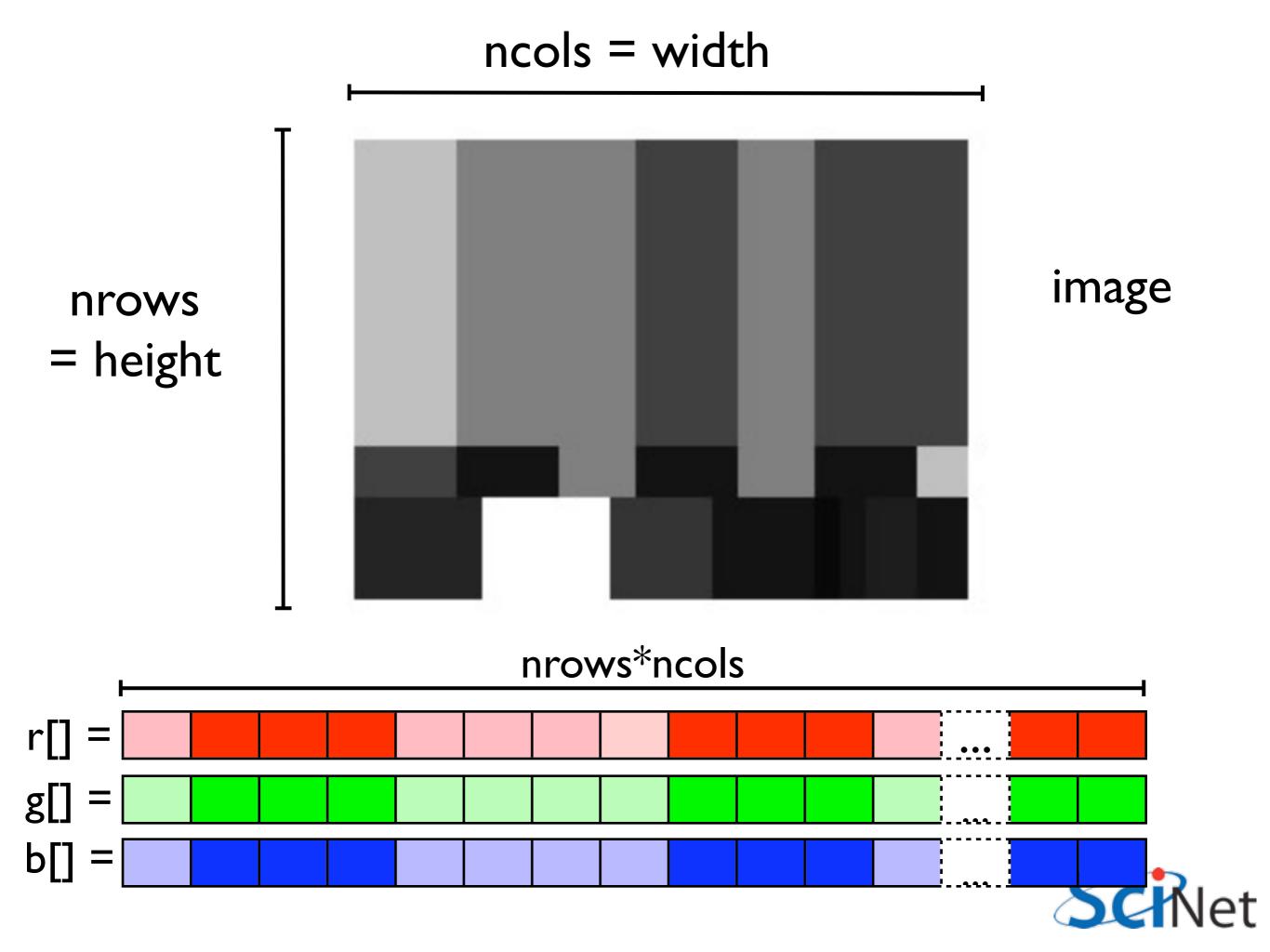






Greyscaling the image (CPU)





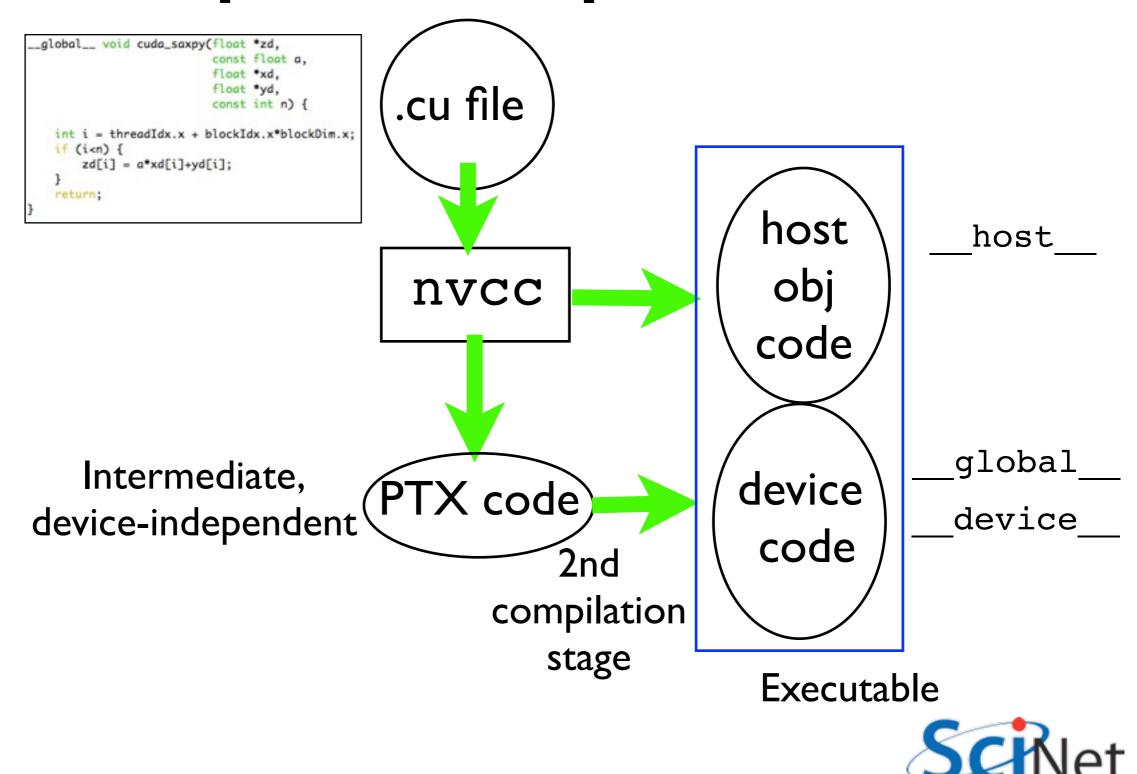
Workflow

- Allocate memory
- Greyscale the image (taking data from input, processing it, putting it in output)
- Writing to a file
- Freeing memory

```
writeHTMLTitle(fp, "CPU-greyscaled Test image");
int *cpu_grey_r = (int *)malloc(dimx*dimy*sizeof(int));
int *cpu_grey_g = (int *)malloc(dimx*dimy*sizeof(int));
int *cpu_grey_b = (int *)malloc(dimx*dimy*sizeof(int));
cpuGreyscale(dimx, dimy, r, g, b, cpu_grey_r, cpu_grey_g, cpu_grey_b);
writeHTMLImage(fp, "grey_cpu", dimx, dimy, cpu_grey_r, cpu_grey_g, cpu_grey_b, 4);
free(cpu_grey_r); free(cpu_grey_g); free(cpu_grey_b);
```



Compilation process



Workflow

- GPU looks the same
- ...but let's go a little deeper:

```
writeHTMLTitle(fp, "CPU-greyscaled Test image");
int *cpu_grey_r = (int *)malloc(dimx*dimy*sizeof(int));
int *cpu_grey_g = (int *)malloc(dimx*dimy*sizeof(int));
int *cpu_grey_b = (int *)malloc(dimx*dimy*sizeof(int));
cpuGreyscale(dimx, dimy, r, g, b, cpu_grey_r, cpu_grey_g, cpu_grey_b);
writeHTMLImage(fp, "grey_cpu", dimx, dimy, cpu_grey_r, cpu_grey_g, cpu_grey_b, 4);
free(cpu_grey_r); free(cpu_grey_g); free(cpu_grey_b);
```



```
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_r_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_g_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_b_d,
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_r_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_g_d,
                               nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_b_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_r_d, in_r, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_g_d, in_g, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_b_d, in_b, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
greyscaleKernel<<<1,nrows*ncols>>>(nrows, ncols, in_r_d, in_g_d, in_b_d, out_r_d, out_g_d, out_b_d);
CHK_ERROR ;
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_r, out_r_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_g, out_g_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_b, out_b_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_b_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_b_d) );
             gpuGreyscale(), example1.cu
```

GPU mem

X750

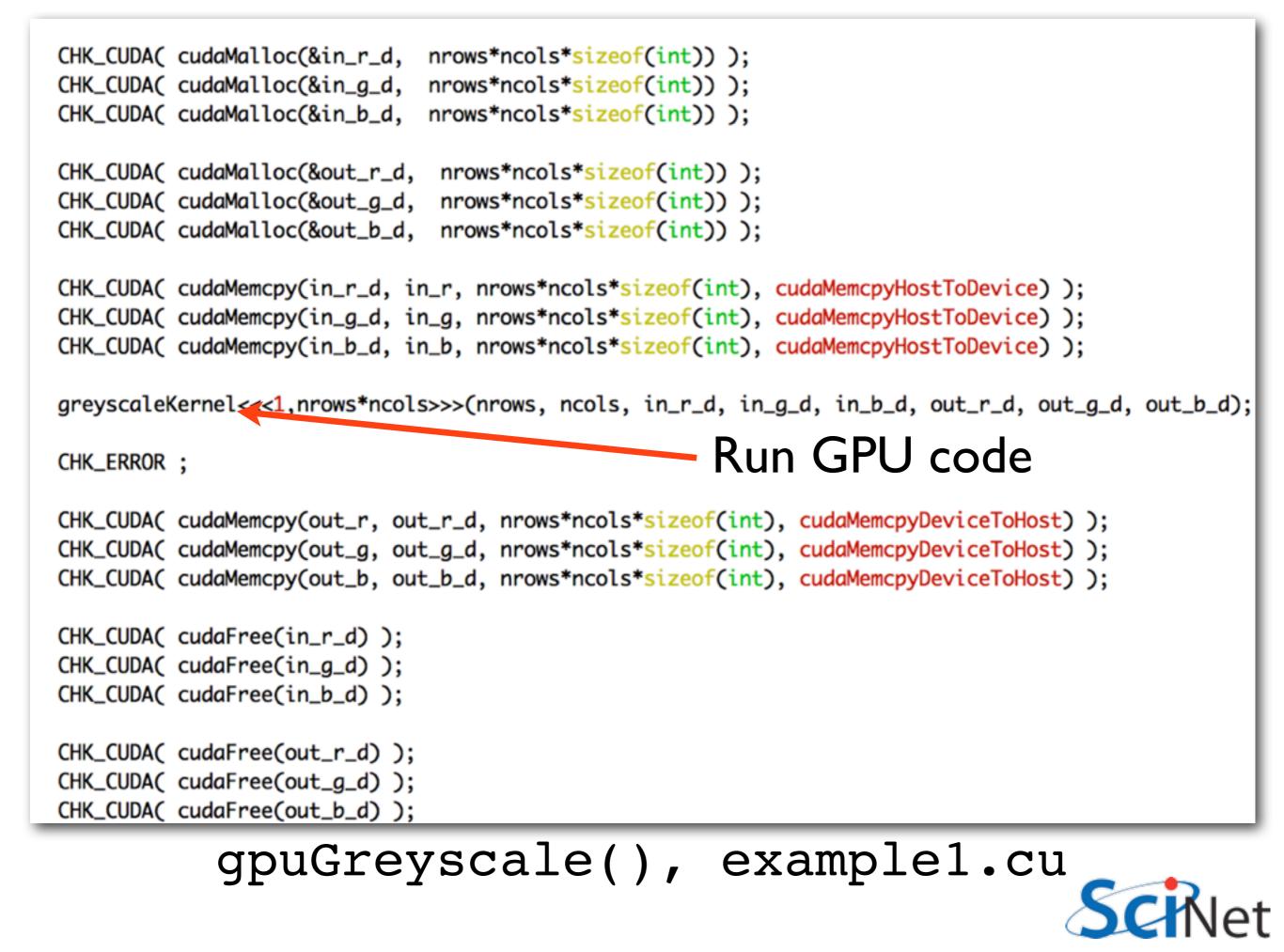
- Different machine, different mem
- "Device" vs "Host"
- Copy back and forth over PCI bus
- Must explicitly allocate, copy data to/ from host/device

CPU mem



```
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_r_d,
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) ); Allocate input, output
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_g_d,
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_b_d,
                                                               arrays on gpu
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_r_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_g_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_b_d,
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_r_d, in_r, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_g_d, in_g, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_b_d, in_b, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
greyscaleKernel<<<1,nrows*ncols>>>(nrows, ncols, in_r_d, in_g_d, in_b_d, out_r_d, out_g_d, out_b_d);
CHK_ERROR ;
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_r, out_r_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_g, out_g_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_b, out_b_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_b_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_b_d) );
            gpuGreyscale(), example1.cu
```

```
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_r_d,
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
                                                          Copy host input data
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_g_d,
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_b_d,
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
                                                            to GPU input data
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_r_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_g_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_b_d,
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_r_d, in_r, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_g_d, in_g, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_b_d, in_b, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
greyscaleKernel<<<1,nrows*ncols>>>(nrows, ncols, in_r_d, in_g_d, in_b_d, out_r_d, out_g_d, out_b_d);
CHK_ERROR ;
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_r, out_r_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_g, out_g_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_b, out_b_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_b_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_b_d) );
            gpuGreyscale(), example1.cu
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                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_b_d,
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_r_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_g_d,
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_b_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_r_d, in_r, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_g_d, in_g, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_b_d, in_b, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
greyscaleKernel<<<1,nrows*ncols>>>(nrows, ncols, in_r_d, in_g_d, in_b_d, out_r_d, out_g_d, out_b_d);
CHK_ERROR ;
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_r, out_r_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_g, out_g_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_b, out_b_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_g_d) );
                                                    Copy output GPU data
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_b_d) );
                                                                 to host
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_b_d) );
            gpuGreyscale(), example1.cu
```

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CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_r_d,
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CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_g_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&in_b_d,
                             nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_r_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
                               nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_g_d,
CHK_CUDA( cudaMalloc(&out_b_d,
                              nrows*ncols*sizeof(int)) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(in_r_d, in_r, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice) );
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CHK_ERROR ;
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_r, out_r_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_g, out_g_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaMemcpy(out_b, out_b_d, nrows*ncols*sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_r_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(in_b_d) );
                                                                   Free GPU mem
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_r_d) ); \leftarrow
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_g_d) );
CHK_CUDA( cudaFree(out_b_d) );
            gpuGreyscale(), example1.cu
```

Note all the error checking!

- GPU is essentially an embedded device
- Can't crash, throw error every time an error is encountered
- Will fail silently if you give it invalid data and truck on as best it can
- Need to explicitly test for error conditions.

#define CHK_CUDA(e) {if (e != cudaSuccess) {fprintf(stderr,"Error: %s\n", cudaGetErrorString(e)); exit(-1);}}
#define CHK_ERROR {cudaThreadSynchronize(); cudaError_t e = cudaGetLastError(); if(e != cudaSuccess) {fprintf(
 stderr,"Error: %s\n", cudaGetErrorString(e)); exit(-1);}}



GPU Code:

```
__global__ void greyscaleKernel(const int nrows, const int ncols,
                             const int *in_r_d, const int *in_g_d, const int *in_b_d,
                              int *out_r_d, int *out_g_d, int *out_b_d) {
        int i = threadIdx.x;
        if (i < nrows*ncols) {</pre>
            int avg = ( in_r_d[i] + in_g_d[i] + in_b_d[i] )/3 ;
            out_r_d[i] = avg;
            out_g_d[i] = avg;
            out_b_d[i] = avg;
        }
        return;
}
```



GPU Code:

__global__: GPU code, callable as a kernel from the host. Alternatives: __kernel__ (only callable from other GPU code), __host__ (on host, default).

```
__global__ void greyscaleKernel(const int nrows, const int ncols,
const int *in_r_d, const int *in_g_d, const int *in_b_d,
int *out_r_d, int *out_g_d, int *out_b_d) {
```

```
int i = threadIdx.x;
```

```
if (i < nrows*ncols) {
    int avg = ( in_r_d[i] + in_g_d[i] + in_b_d[i] )/3 ;
    out_r_d[i] = avg;
    out_g_d[i] = avg;
    out_b_d[i] = avg;
}</pre>
```

return;

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GPU Code:

What is our thread index? (which thread are we?) __global__ void greyscaleKernel(const int nrows, const int ncols, const int *in_r_d, const int *in_g_d, const int *in_b_d, int *out_r_d, int *out_g_d, int *out_b_d) { int i = threadIdx.x; if (i < nrows*ncols) { int $avg = (in_r_d[i] + in_g_d[i] + in_b_d[i])/3;$ out_r_d[i] = avg; out_g_d[i] = avg; out_b_d[i] = avg; 3 return;

}

GPU vs CPU Code:

}

- CPU: Loops over pixels
- GPU: Loop over pixels *implicit*

```
int pix = 0;
for (pix = 0; pix < nrows*ncols; pix++) {
    int avg = (in_r[pix] + in_g[pix] + in_b[pix])/3;
    out_r[pix] = avg;
    out_g[pix] = avg;
    out_b[pix] = avg;
}
return;</pre>
```

```
int i = threadIdx.x;

if (i < nrows*ncols) {
    int avg = ( in_r_d[i] + in_g_d[i] + in_b_d[i] )/3 ;
    out_r_d[i] = avg;
    out_g_d[i] = avg;
    out_b_d[i] = avg;
}
return;</pre>
```

GPU Kernel Launch

- Kernel launch starts nrows*ncols threads
- Each has a thread index
- Each thread operates on one pixel
- Very fine-grained parallelism

greyscaleKernel<<<1,nrows*ncols>>>(nrows, ncols, in_r_d, in

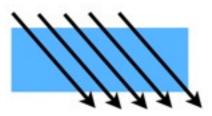


GPUs and Threads

- The kernel launch starts a block of nrows*ncols threads
- Threads run in lock step
- Each operates on a work item
- Data parallelism



CUDA Thread



Block of CUDA Threads

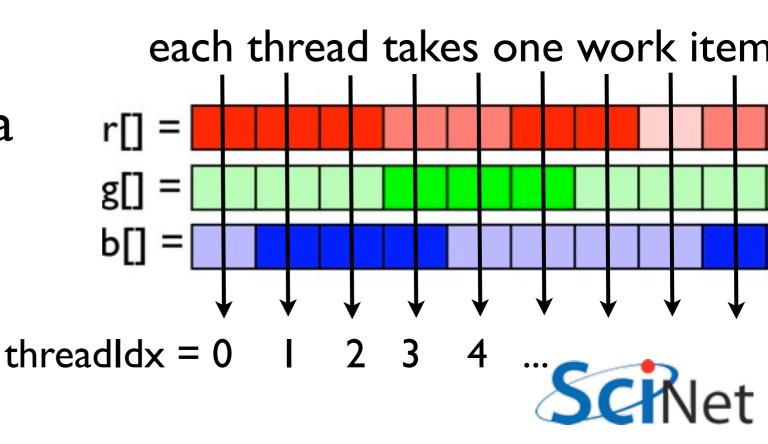
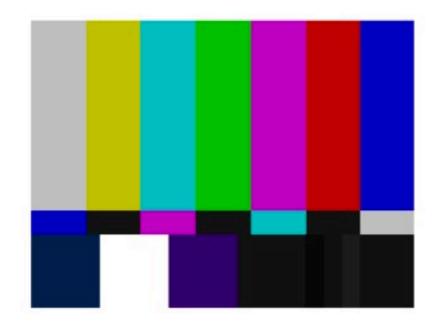


Image size

- Right now, we're working in very small images
- That's no good!
- Increase dimx/dimy to be closer to lgdmix/lgdimy.
- Recompile, run.
- What happens?

int main(int argc, char **argv) { const int lgdimx = 256, lgdimy = 192; const int dimx = 24, dimy = 18;

Large Test image



Input Test image



CPU-greyscaled Test image

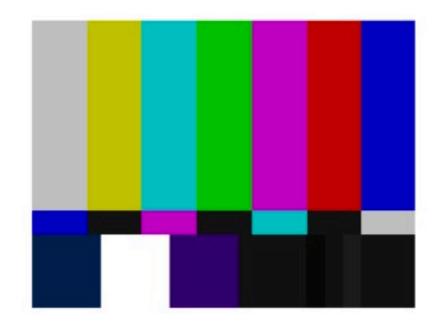


Image size

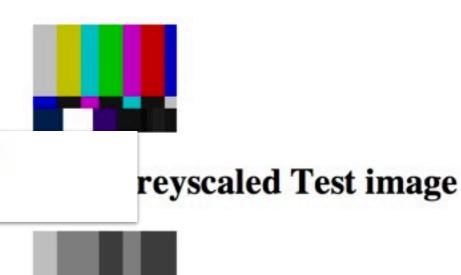
- Right now, we're working in very small images
- That's no good!
- Increase dimx/dimy to be closer to lgdmix/lgdimy.
- Recompile, run.
- What happens?

user162-16:example1 ljdursi\$./testpattern
Error: invalid configuration argument

Large Test image



Input Test image

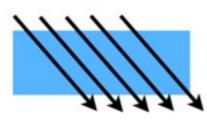


Maximum # threads

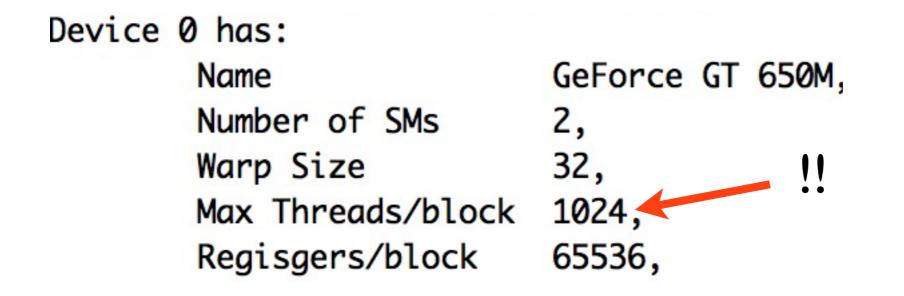


CUDA Thread

- Compile, run querydevs
- On my laptop:

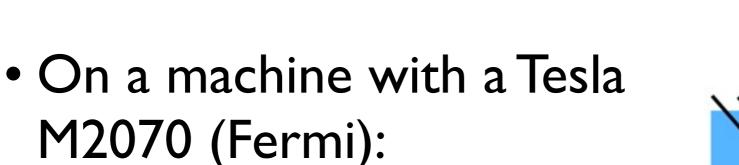


Block of CUDA Threads





Maximum # threads





Block of CUDA Threads

Device 0 has: Name Tesla M2070, Number of SMs 14, Warp Size 32, Max Threads/block 1024, Regisgers/block 32768, Compute Capability 2.0, Global Mem 5375 MB,



cudaGetDeviceProperty

```
int i, count;
cudaDeviceProp prop;
CHK_CUDA( cudaGetDeviceCount( &count ));
for (i=0; i<count; i++) {
   CHK_CUDA( cudaGetDeviceProperties( &prop, i ));
   printf("Device %d has:\n",i);
   printf("Device %d has:\n",i);
   printf("\tName %s,\n",prop.name);
   printf("\tNumber of SMs %d,\n",prop.multiProcessorCount);
   printf("\tWarp Size %d,\n",prop.warpSize);
   printf("\tMax Threads/block %d,\n",prop.maxThreadsPerBlock);
```

querydevs.cu



Maximum # threads

CUDA Thread

• Huh? How can we do big/ fast computing if we can only operate on 1k pixels?

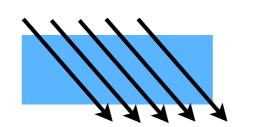


Threads, Blocks, Grids

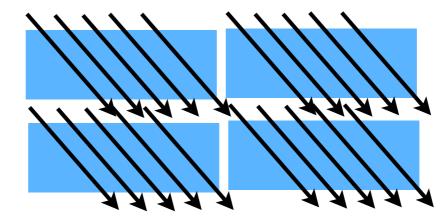
- CUDA threads are organized into blocks
- Threads operate in SIMD(ish) manner -- each executing same instructions in lockstep.
- Only difference are thread ids
- Can have a grid of multiple blocks



CUDA Thread



Block of CUDA Threads



Grid of CUDA Blocks

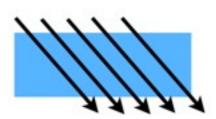


GPUs and Threads

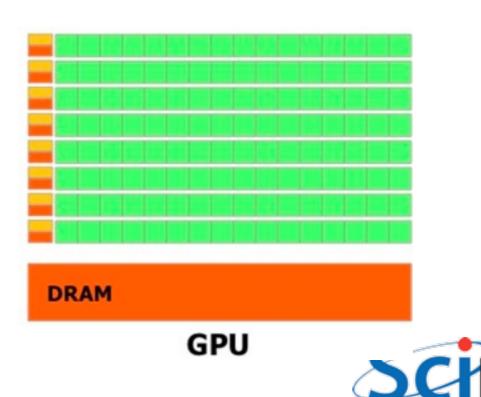
- The GPU is split up into several "streaming multiprocessors" (SMs)
- Each have several cores, all operating in lockstep.



CUDA Thread

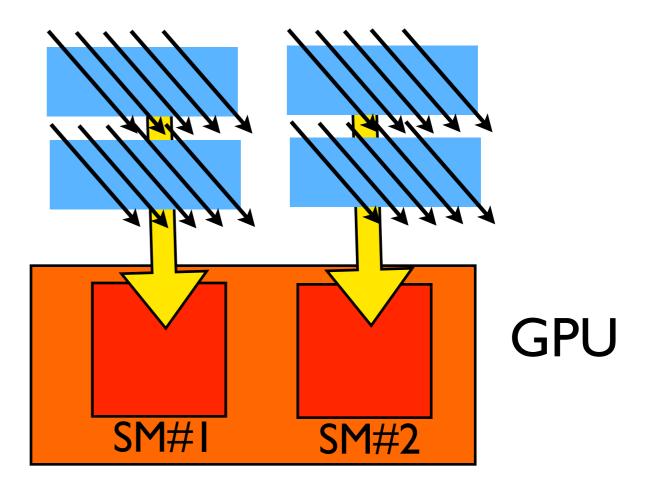


Block of CUDA Threads



CUDA - H/W mapping

- Blocks are assigned to a particular SM
 - Executed there one 'warp' at a time (typically 32 threads)
- Multiple blocks may be on SM concurrently
 - Good; latency hiding
 - Bad SM resources must be divided between blocks
- If only use I Block I SM



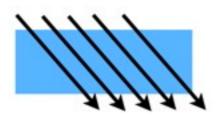


GPUs and Threads

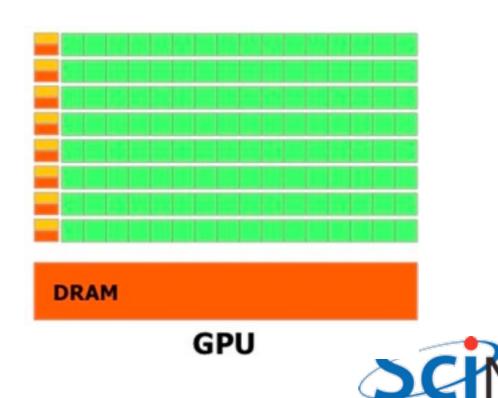
- With only one block, locked onto one SM using only fraction of your GPU.
- Better is to break computation onto many blocks of threads
- Take advantage of multiple SMs
- Can have many more blocks than SMs, this is often helpful.



CUDA Thread



Block of CUDA Threads



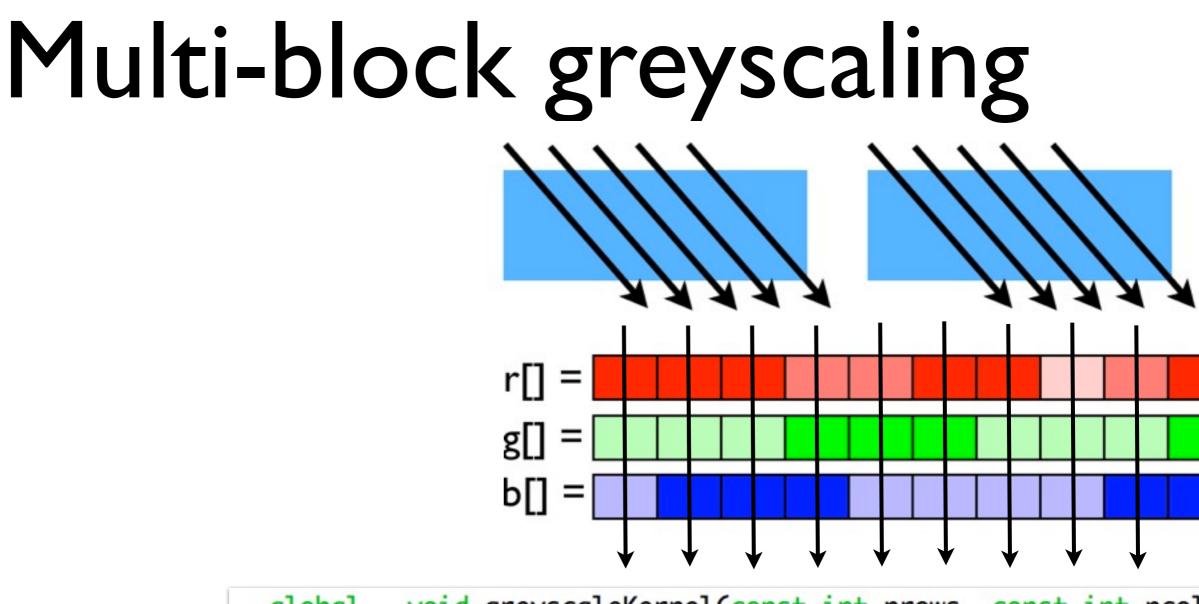
Multi-block greyscaling

r[] =

g[] =

- Look in example2
- (Nclab: download
 http://support.scinet.utoronto.ca/~ljdursi/example2.py
- Break into multiple blocks
- Can take full advantage of GPU



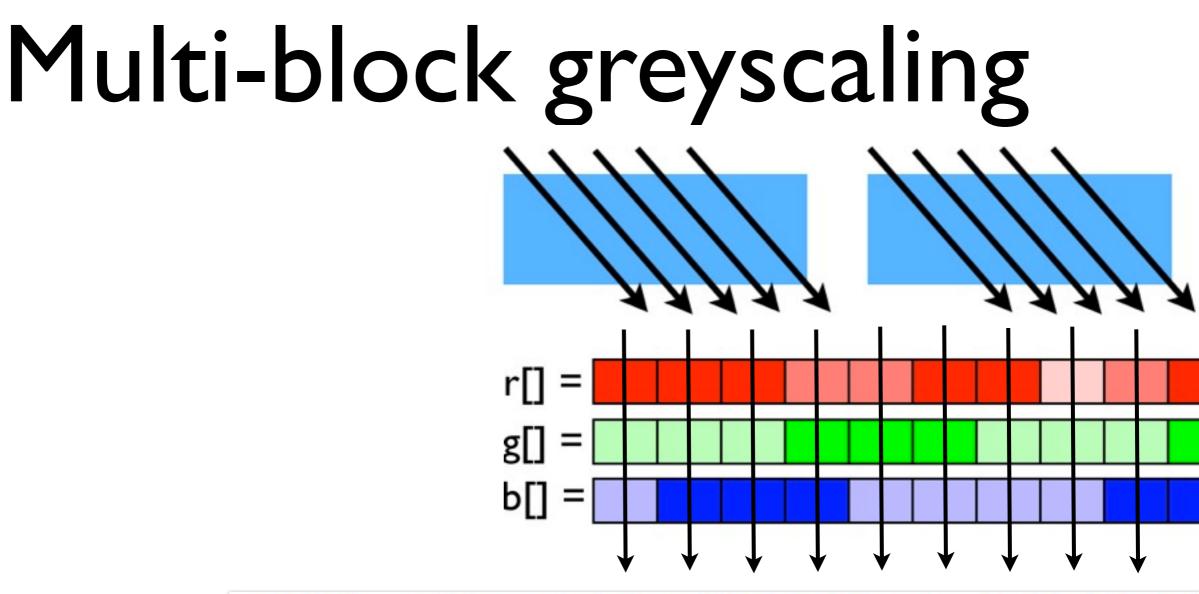


__global__ void greyscaleKernel(const int nrows, const int ncol const int *in_r_d, const int *in_g int *out_r_d, int *out_g_d, int *c

int i = threadIdx.x + blockDim.x*blockIdx.x;

example2/testpattern.cu : gpuGreyscaleWithBlocks()

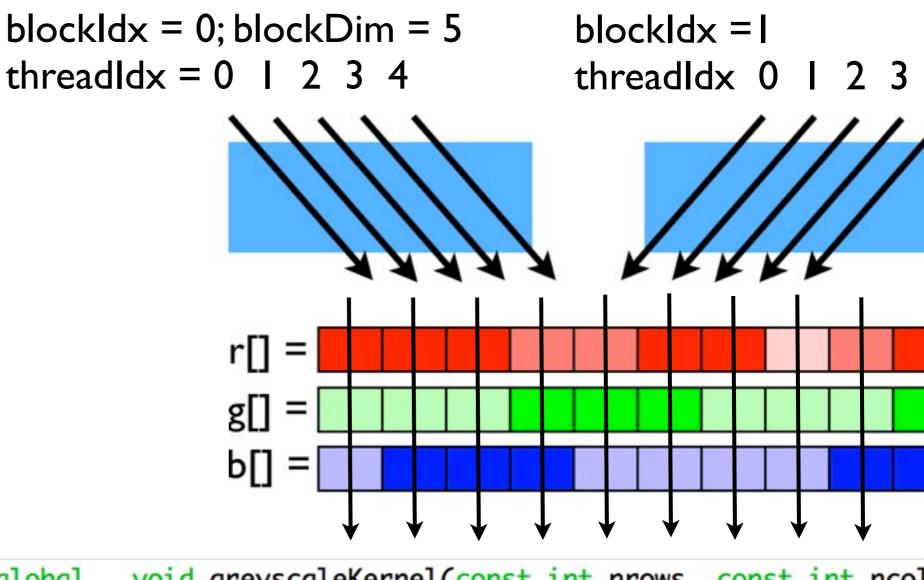




__global__ void greyscaleKernel(const int nrows, const int ncol const int *in_r_d, const int *in_g int *out_r_d, int *out_g_d, int *c

int i = threadIdx.x + blockDim.x*blockIdx.x;





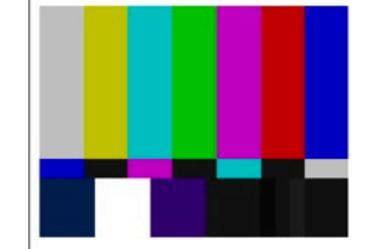
__global__ void greyscaleKernel(const int nrows, const int ncol const int *in_r_d, const int *in_g int *out_r_d, int *out_g_d, int *o

int i = threadIdx.x + blockDim.x*blockIdx.x;



Multi-block greyscaling

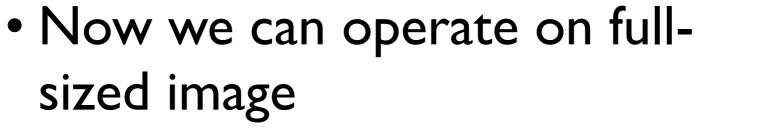
Large Test image



CPU-greyscaled Test image



GPU-greyscaled Test image



- Only limit here is size of memory on GPU
- (can get from querydevs.cu;
 ~IGB on my laptop)

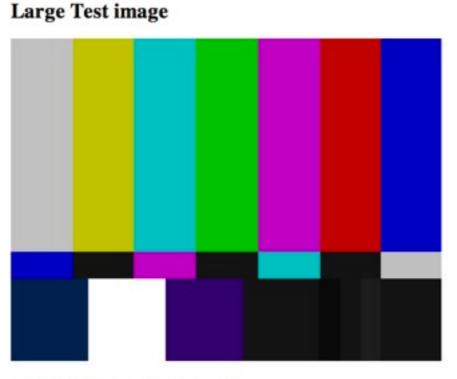
Let's take 15 minutes to get familiar with this; modify example 2 so that it does something else to image:

Makes image red-only
 Puts big blue square in top right corner

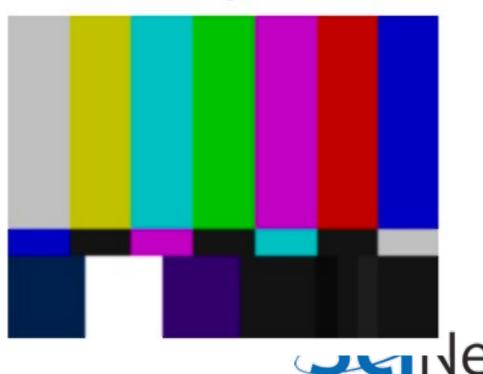


Smoothing

- Smoothing/Blurring
- So far, we've done operations that only depend on the local pixel values.
- Many/most image processing algorithms also depend on neighbouring values.



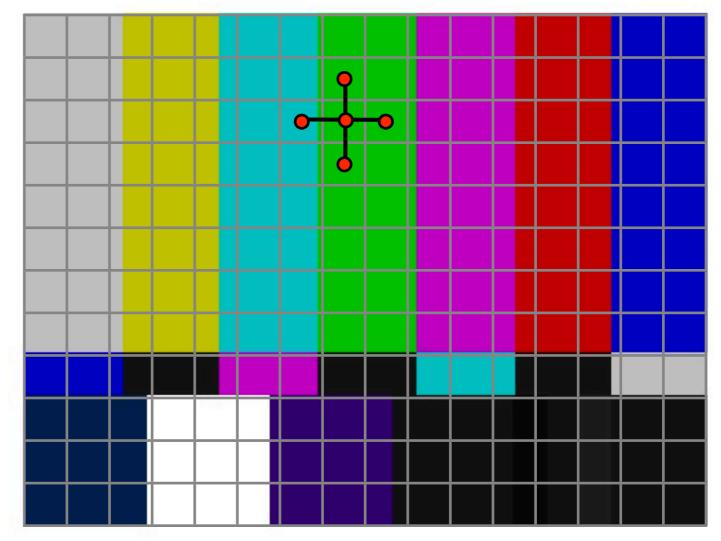
CPU-smoothed Test image



Smoothing

• "Stencil"

- For each point, consider it and it's nearest neighbour
- Take weighted average of r, g, b values
- Averages out noise
- Can use different stencil size - tradeoff between reducing noise and washing out small scale features.





CPU Code

example3/testpattern.cu

```
void cpuSmooth(const int nrows, const int ncols,
               const int *in_r, const int *in_g, const int *in_b,
               int *out_r, int *out_g, int *out_b) {
    int row, col;
    int pix = 0;
    for (row = 0; row<nrows; row++) {</pre>
        for (col = 0; col<ncols; col++) {</pre>
            if (row == 0 || row == nrows - 1 || col == 0 || col == ncols - 1) {
                out_r[pix] = in_r[pix];
                out_g[pix] = in_g[pix];
                out_b[pix] = in_b[pix];
            } else {
                out_r[pix] = avg(in_r, pix, nrows, ncols);
                out_g[pix] = avg(in_g, pix, nrows, ncols);
                out_b[pix] = avg(in_b, pix, nrows, ncols);
            }
            pix++;
```



GPU Code

example3/testpattern.cu



GPU Code

example3/testpattern.cu

```
/* launch the kernel on our input image */
void gpuSmooth(const int nrows, const int ncols,
               const int *in_r, const int *in_g, const int *in_b,
               int *out_r, int *out_g, int *out_b, int blocksize) {
   int *in_r_d, *in_g_d, *in_b_d;
    int *out_r_d, *out_g_d, *out_b_d;
    /* cudaMalloc the device arrays*/
    /* cudaMemcpy the input data */
    /* calculate number of blocks we need -- round up */
    int nblocks = (nrows*ncols + blocksize - 1)/blocksize;
    smoothKernel<<<nblocks, blocksize>>>(nrows, ncols, in_r_d, in_g_d, in_b_d, out_r_d, out_g_d, out_b_d);
    CHK_ERROR ;
    /* cudaMemcpy the output data */
    /* cudaFree the device arrays */
    return;
}
```