Parallel Processing and the Madrigal Database

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Implementing CUDA into Madrigal

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The Madrigal Database

Online database of upper atmospheric data, accessible online and through a variety of API's.



The Madrigal Database

- Not only does Madrigal display data which is collected, it also has several parameters which are derived based upon the data.
- Computation of these parameters can slow down data access.

Differential Time for Madrigal Derived Parameters		
Mnemonic of Parameter	Differential Time (sec)	
TSYG_EQ_XGSM	0.111329	
$TSYG_EQ_YGSM$	0.111303	
TSYG_EQ_XGSE	0.111035	
$TSYG_EQ_YGSE$	0.110543	
CGM_LAT	0.041299	
CGMLONG	0.038552	

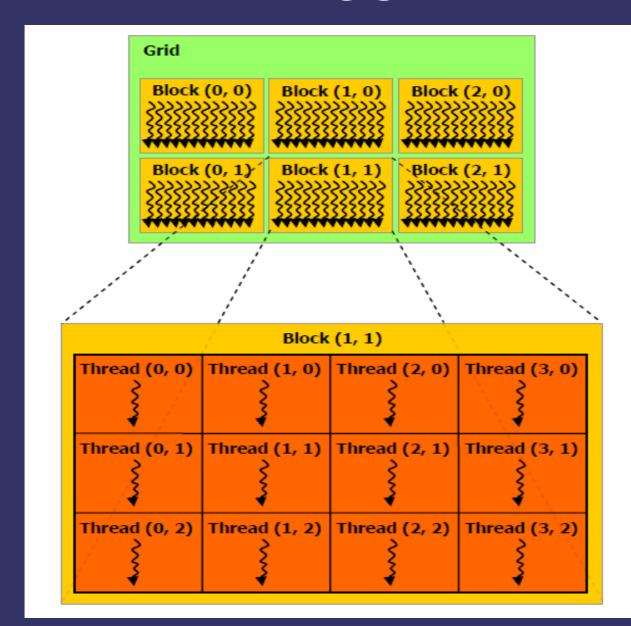
Parallel Processing and a GPU

 A GPU (Graphics Processing Unit) allows for several computations to occur at the same time.



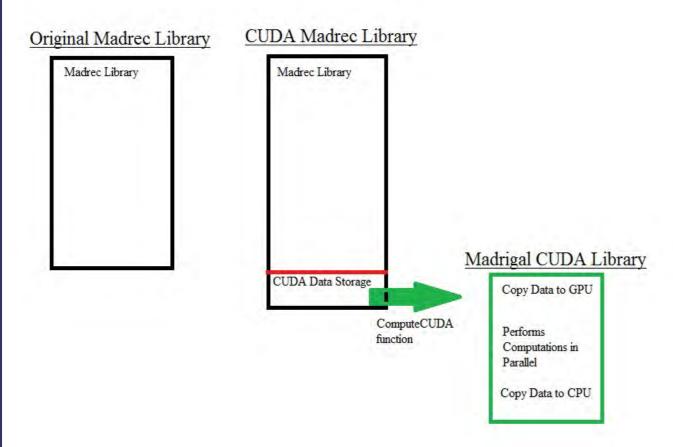


CUDA



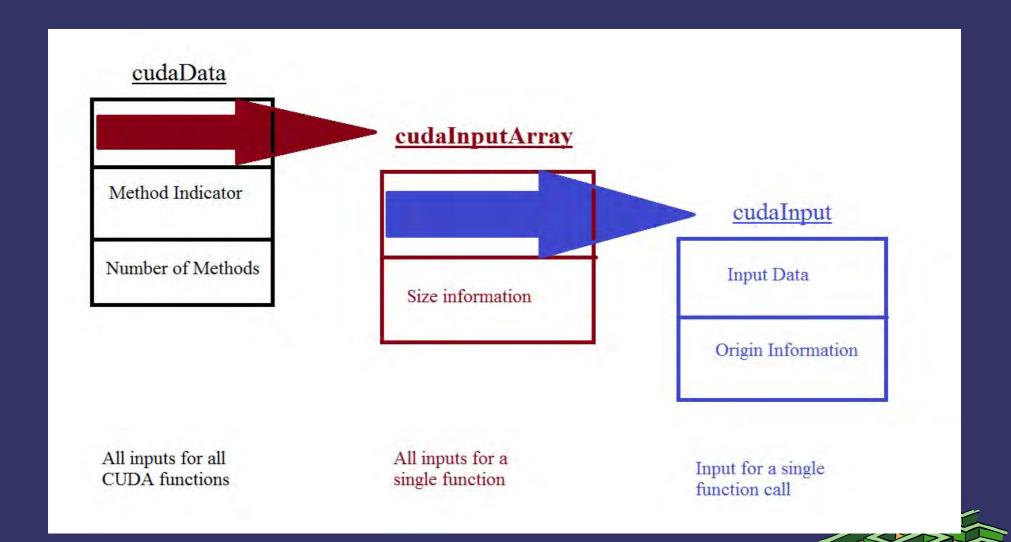


Implementation





Data Storage

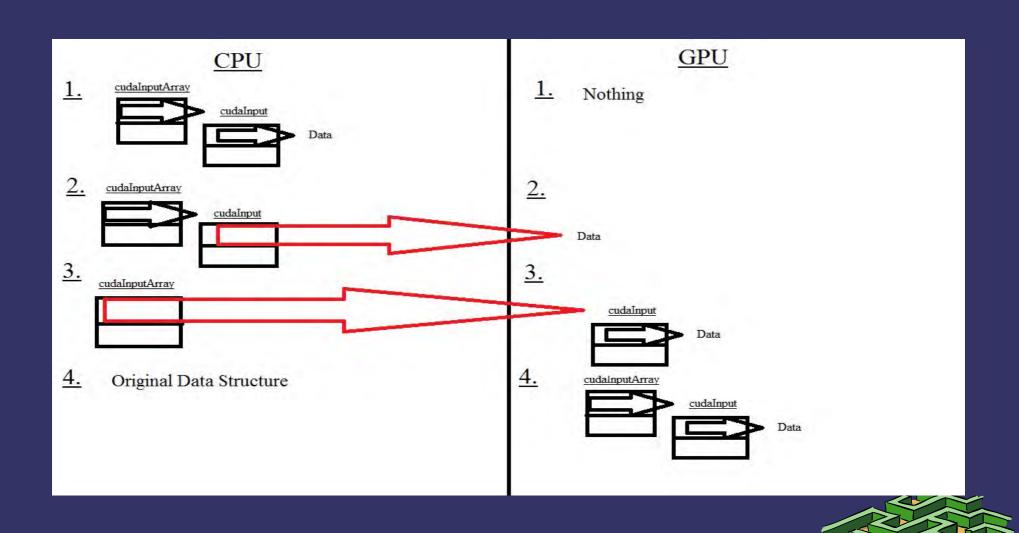


Data Storage

```
18/*This holds all necessary information for one single computation to be done in cuda. The first five elements a
19 * to every cuda function, the last three are information stored for writing data back into the Madrigal structu
20typedef struct {
     int inputCount;
                         /*Number of inputs passed to function.*/
                         /*Array of doubles of length inputCount which contains input values for function.*/
     double * inputs;
                         /*Number of outputs expected from function.*/
     int outputCount;
     double * outputs;
                         /*Array of doubles of length outputCount which contains output values from function.*/
     FILE * errFile;
                         /*Pointer to an error file.*/
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     int CycId;
                         /*The Cycle Id of the file the Madrigal data was taken from*/
     int RecId;
                         /*The Record Id of the Madrigal file data comes from*/
     int TypeId;
                         /*The type index of the Madrigal file*/
   cudaInput;
```



Memory Transfer



CUDA Function Restrictions

- No Time Library
- No File Access
- No Double Precision
- Derivation Chain
- FORTRAN
- If a method survives these restrictions, 6 steps to making CUDA capable



Example Device Function

```
_device__ int getNeNel(int inCount,
           double * inputArr,
           int outCount,
           double * outputArr,
           FILE * errFile)
  double Nel = 0.0;
 Nel = getElecDensity(inputArr[0],
                       inputArr[1].
                       inputArr[2],
           inputArr[3]);
  if (Nel == missing)
      outputArr[0] = missing;
      outputArr[1] = missing;
 else
      outputArr[0] = pow(10.0, Nel);
      outputArr[1] = Nel;
  return(0);
```



More about FORTRAN

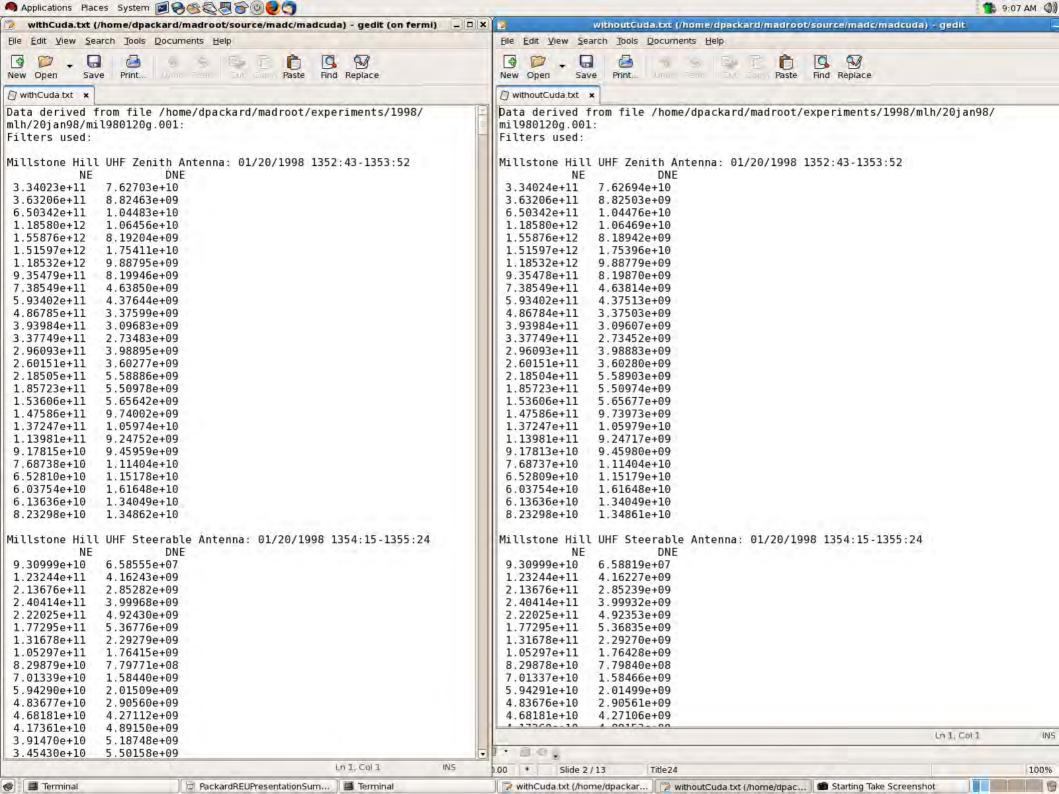
- ⇒ barf [ba:rf] 2. "He suggested using FORTRAN, and everybody barfed."- From The Shogakukan DICTIONARY OF NEW ENGLISH (Second edition)
- CUDA FORTRAN compiler . . . barfs
- f2c generates unreadable code



Results

- Successfully built architecture for implementing CUDA into Madrigal.
- 2 working parallelized functions.

Theoretical Computation Time for 100,000 Computations for Madrigal Derived Parameters		
Mnemonic of Parameter	Time with CUDA (min)	Time without CUDA (min)
TSYG_EQ_XGSM	11	185
$TSYG_EQ_YGSM$	11	185
TSYG_EQ_XGSE	11	185
TSYG_EQ_YGSE	11	184
CGM_LAT	11	69
CGMLONG	11.	64



Future Work

- Filtering Logic implemented into CUDA framework
- Handle Calls to FORTRAN Libraries
- More Methods
- Less time for data storage



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