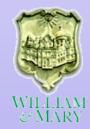
Matching with Non-Uniformity: A Key to Efficiency on Multicore and GPU

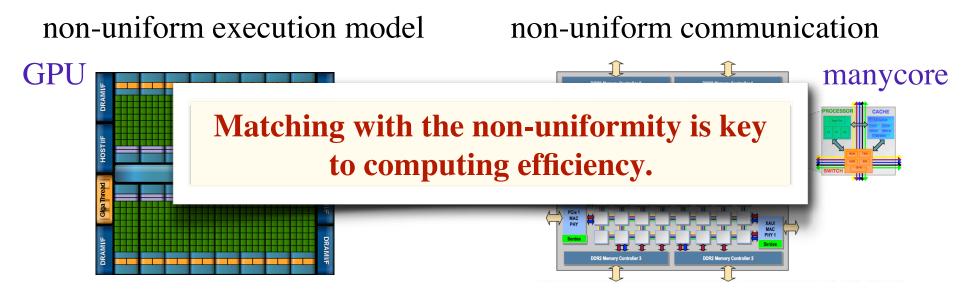
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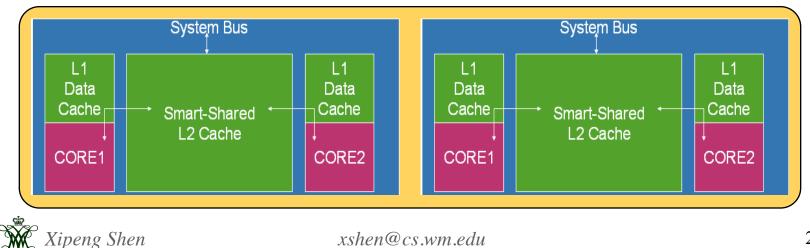


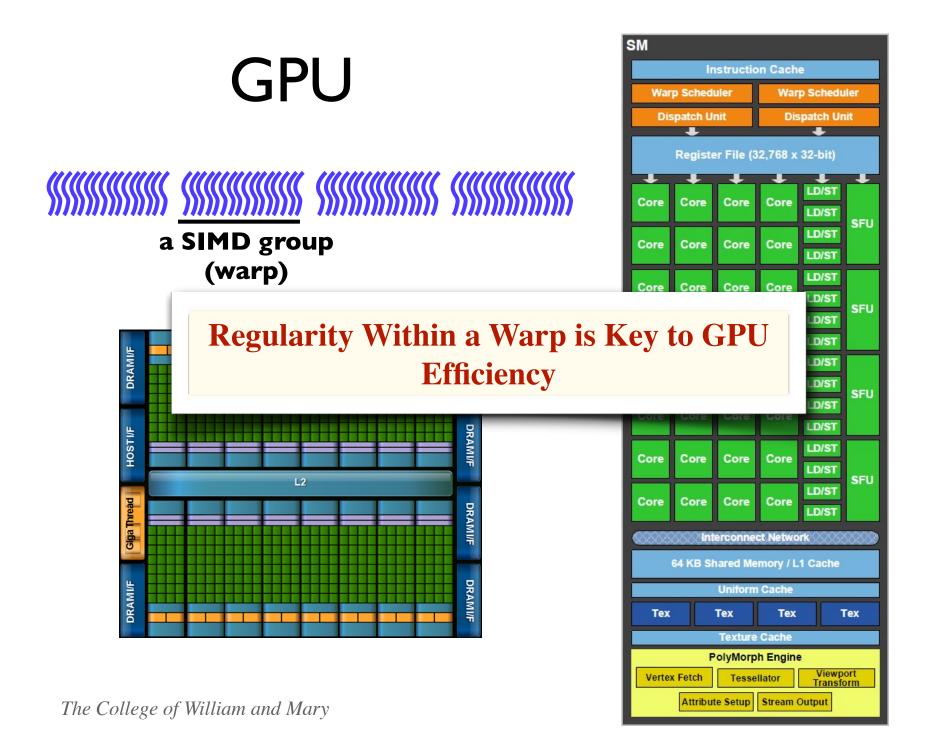
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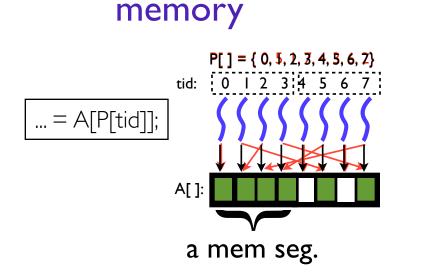
non-uniform resource sharing

multicore

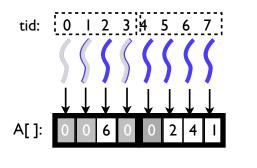


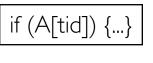


Dynamic Irregularities



control flow (thread divergence)





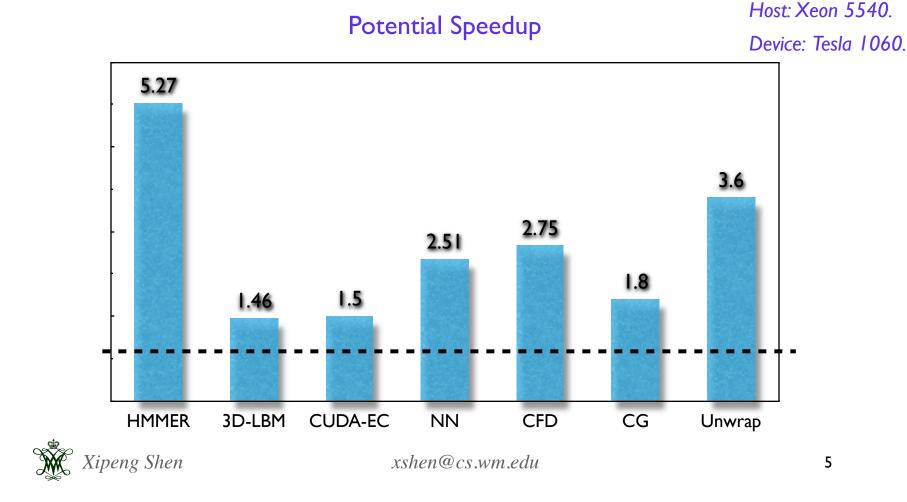
for (i=0;i<A[tid]; i++) {...}

Degrade throughput by up to (warp size - 1) times. (warp size = 32 in modern GPUs)



Performance Impact

 Applications: dynamic programming, fluid simulation, image reconstruction, data mining, ...



Previous Work on GPU

- Mostly on Static Memory Irregularities
 - [Baskaran+, ICS'08], [Lee+, PPoPP'09], [Yang+, PLDI'10], etc.
- Dynamic Irregularity
 - Remain unknown until runtime
 - Mostly through hardware extensions.
 - [Meng+, ISCA'10], [Tarjan+, SC'09], [Fung+, MICRO'07], etc.



Open Questions for Dyn. Irreg. Removal

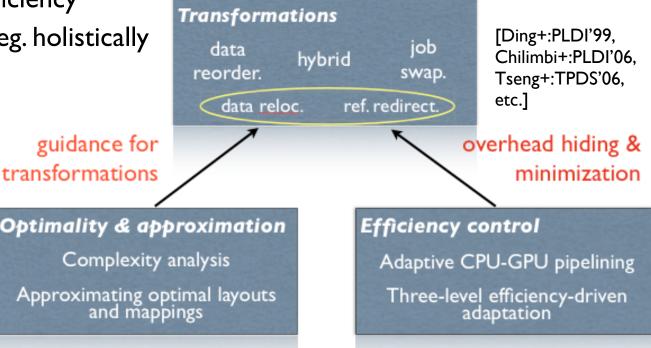
- Is it possible w/o hardware extentions?
- More fundamentally
 - Relations among data, threads, & irregularities?
 - What layout or thread-data mappings minimize the irreg.? How to find them? Complexity?
 - How to resolve conflicts among irregularities? Dependences?



Streamlining On the Fly [Zhang+:ASPLOS'11]

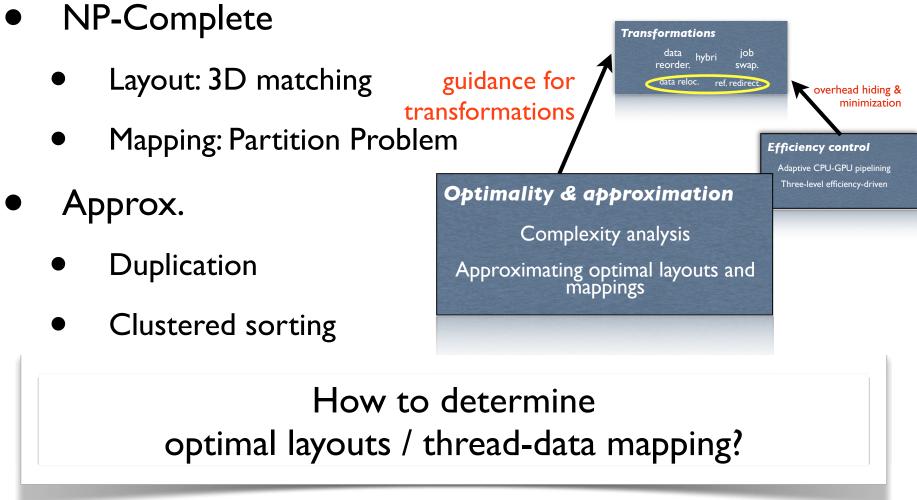
- * No profiling or hw ext.
- * Transparent removal on the fly
- * Jeopardize no basic efficiency
- Treat both types of irreg. holistically

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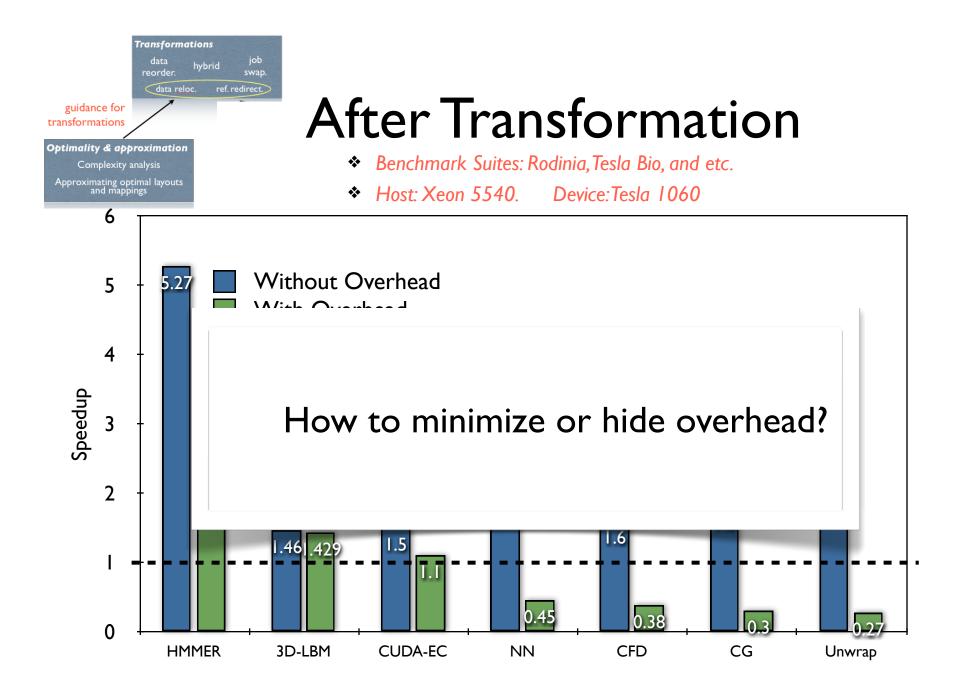


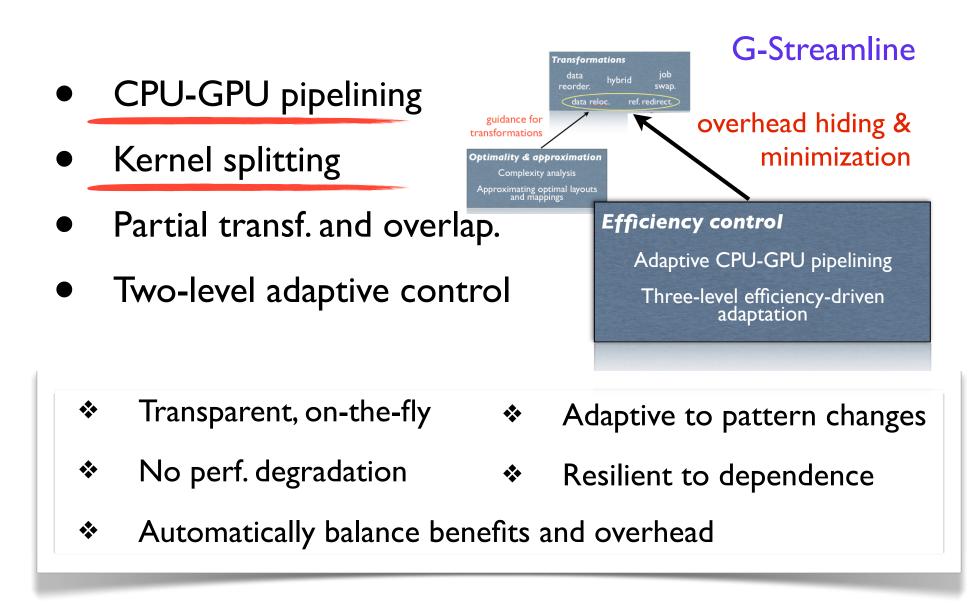
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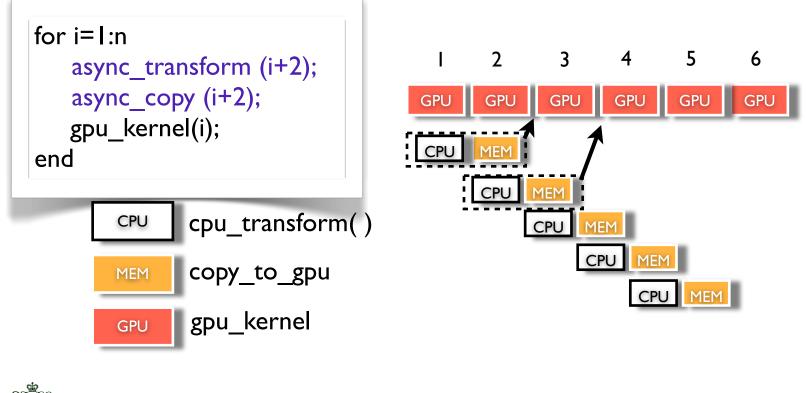


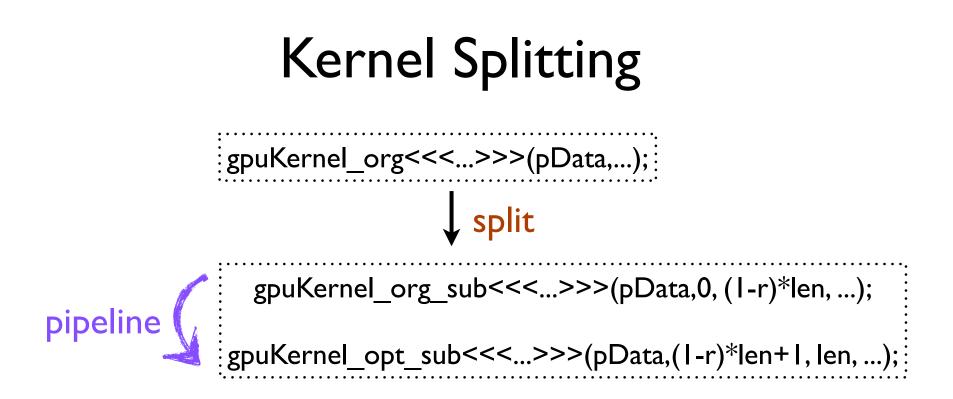
CPU-GPU Pipelining

• Utilize Idle CPU Time

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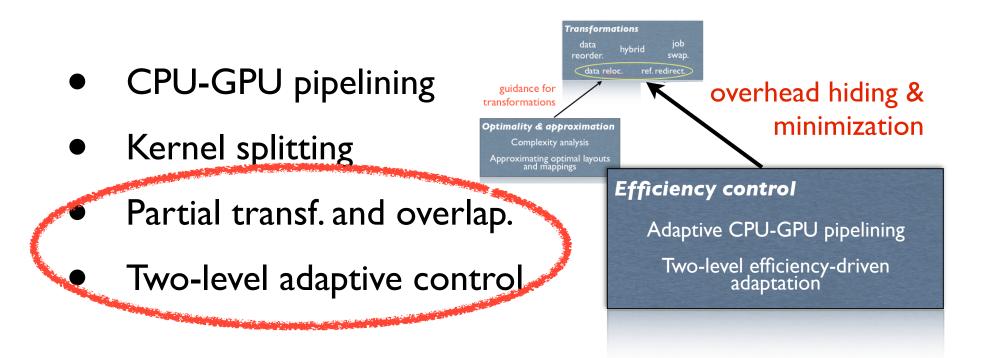
- Transform on CPU while computing on GPU
- Automatic shutdown when necessary





- Also useful for loops with no dependences
 - Enable partial transformation



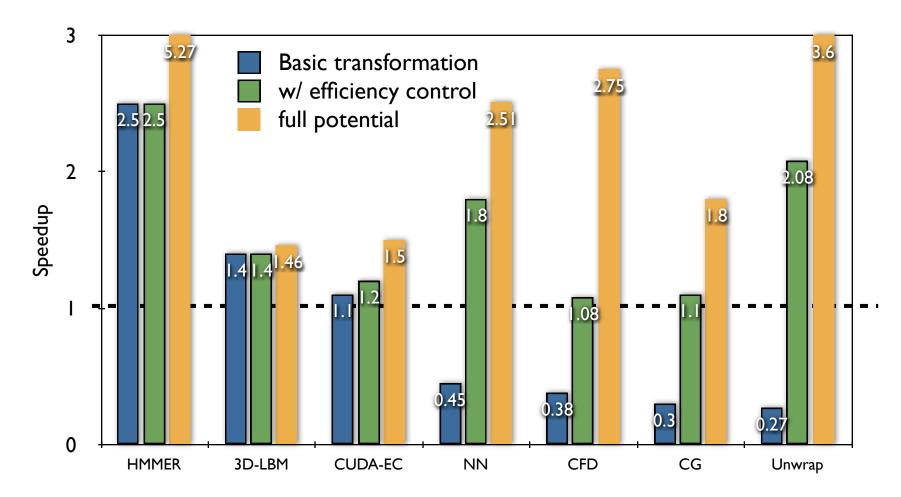


- Transparent, on-the-fly
 Adaptive to pattern changes
- No perf. degradation
 Resilient to dependence
- Automatically balance benefits and overhead

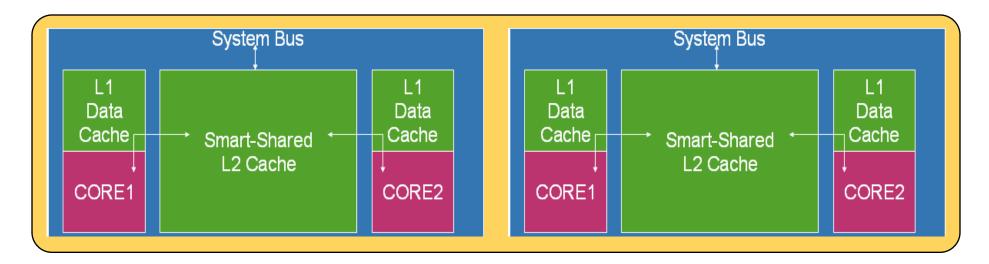
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Final Speedup



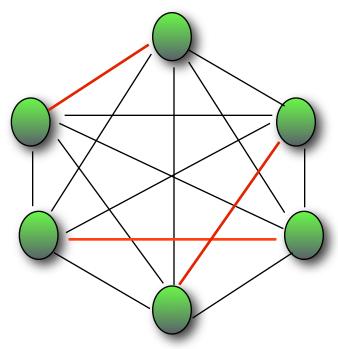
Non-Uniform Cache Sharing on Multicore



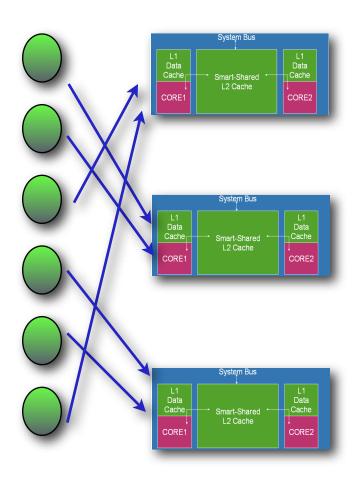
- Cache sharing is a double-edged sword
 - Reduces communication latency
 - But causes conflicts & contention



Optimal Job Co-Scheduling [Jiang+: PACT'08, Jiang+: TPDS'11]



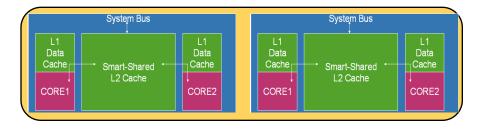
- Minimum-weight perfect matching problem & a O(N⁴) solution.
- NP-completeness for K-core (K>2) & some approximation algorithms.





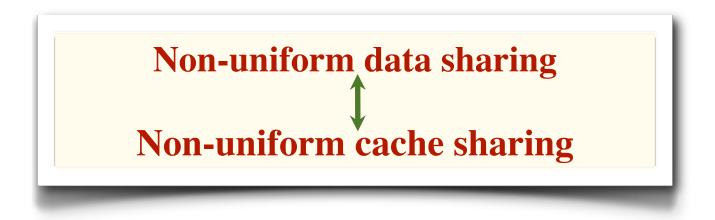
On Threads of a Multithreading Application [Zhang+:PPoPP'10]

- Observation
 - Insignificant effects from shared cache (PARSEC)
- Reasons
 - Three mismatches with <u>non-uniform</u> shared cache
 - Limited data sharing among threads
 - Large working set size
 - <u>Uniform</u> inter-thread relations



Cache-Sharing-Aware Transformations [Zhang+:PPoPP'10]

- Increase data sharing among siblings
- Decrease data sharing otherwise

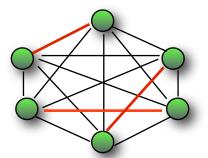


- >50% cache miss reduction.
- 5-33% speedup.

Summary

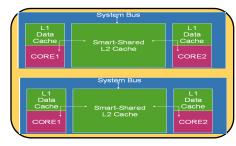
Matching with non-uniformity is the key.

Job co-sch.



Exploiting job non-uniformity

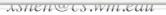
Cache-sharing-aware transformation



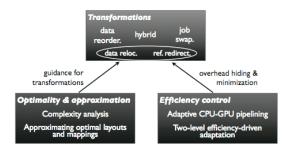
Creating thread non-uniformity

Shared cache on multicore

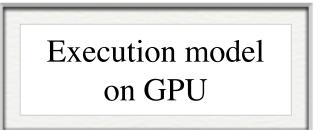
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Eliminating warp non-uniformity



Thanks!