



NVIDIA DEVELOPER TOOLS

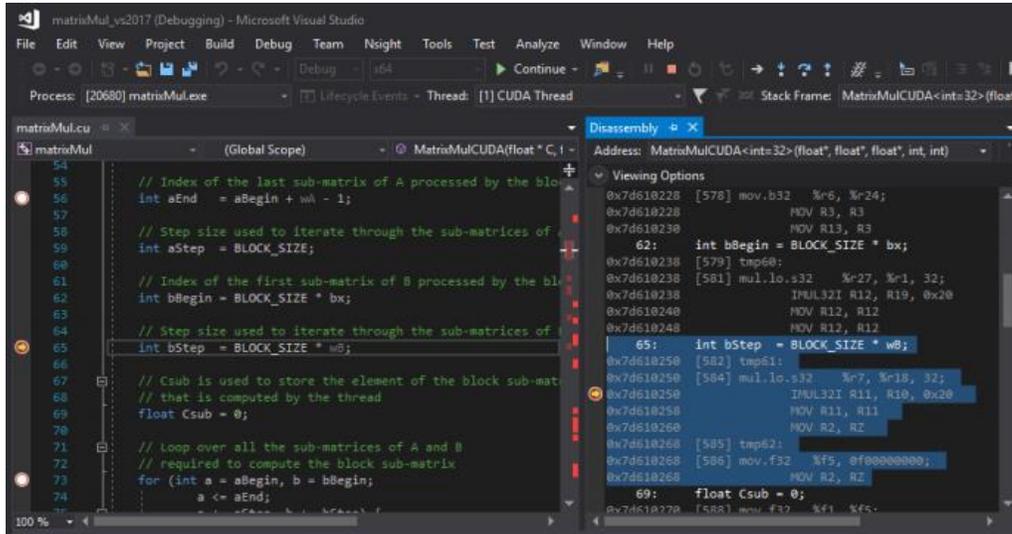
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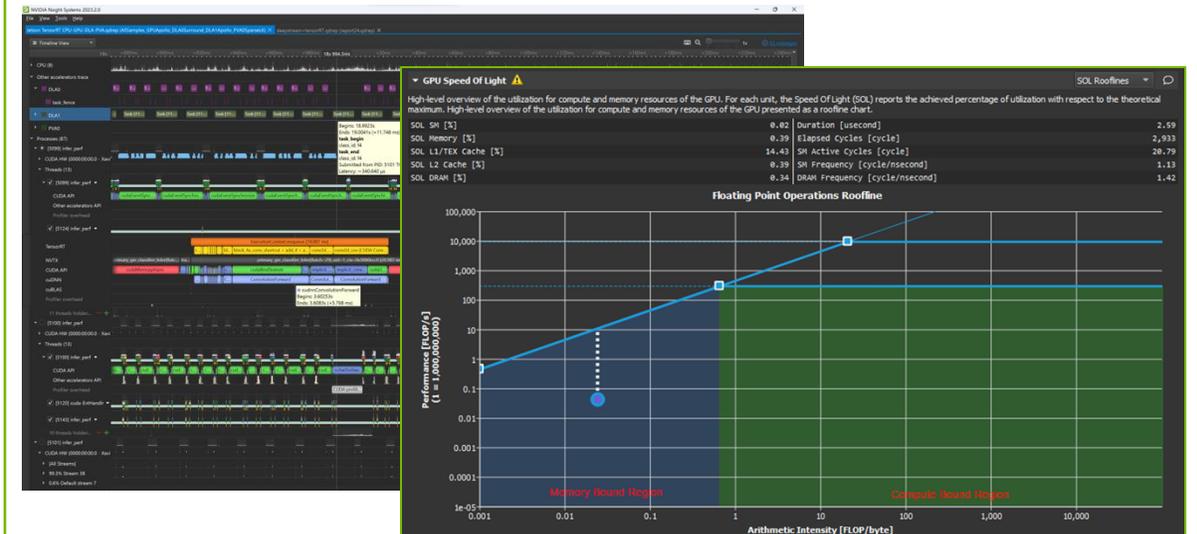


Developer Tools Ecosystem

Debuggers: cuda-gdb, Nsight Visual Studio Edition Nsight Visual Studio Code Edition



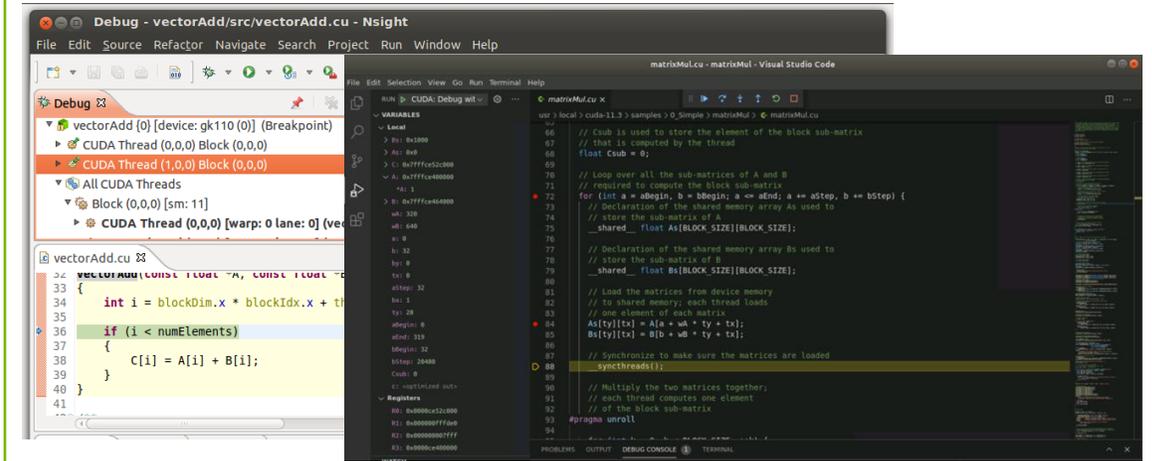
Profilers: Nsight Systems, Nsight Compute, CUPTI, NVIDIA Tools eXtension (NVTX)



Correctness Checker: Compute Sanitizer

```
$ compute-sanitizer --leak-check full memcheck_demo
===== COMPUTE-SANITIZER
Mallocing memory
Running unaligned_kernel
Ran unaligned_kernel: no error
Sync: no error
Running out_of_bounds_kernel
Ran out_of_bounds_kernel: no error
Sync: no error
===== Invalid __global__ write of size 4 bytes
===== at 0x60 in memcheck_demo.cu:6:unaligned_kernel(void)
===== by thread (0,0,0) in block (0,0,0)
===== Address 0x400100001 is misaligned
```

IDE integrations: Nsight Visual Studio Code Edition, Nsight Visual Studio Edition, Nsight Eclipse Edition



Programming the NVIDIA Platform

CPU, GPU, and Network

ACCELERATED STANDARD LANGUAGES

ISO C++, ISO Fortran

```
std::transform(par, x, x+n, y, y,  
    [=] (float x, float y){ return y +  
a*x; }  
);
```

```
do concurrent (i = 1:n)  
    y(i) = y(i) + a*x(i)  
enddo
```

```
import cunumeric as np  
...  
def saxpy(a, x, y):  
    y[:] += a*x
```

INCREMENTAL PORTABLE OPTIMIZATION

OpenACC, OpenMP

```
#pragma acc data copy(x,y) {  
...  
std::transform(par, x, x+n, y, y,  
    [=] (float x, float y){  
        return y + a*x;  
    });  
...  
}  
  
#pragma omp target data map(x,y) {  
...  
std::transform(par, x, x+n, y, y,  
    [=] (float x, float y){  
        return y + a*x;  
    });  
...  
}
```

PLATFORM SPECIALIZATION

CUDA

```
__global__  
void saxpy(int n, float a,  
    float *x, float *y) {  
    int i = blockIdx.x*blockDim.x +  
        threadIdx.x;  
    if (i < n) y[i] += a*x[i];  
}  
  
int main(void) {  
    ...  
    cudaMemcpy(d_x, x, ...);  
    cudaMemcpy(d_y, y, ...);  
  
    saxpy<<<(N+255)/256,256>>>(...);  
  
    cudaMemcpy(y, d_y, ...);  
}
```

ACCELERATION LIBRARIES

Core

Math

Communication

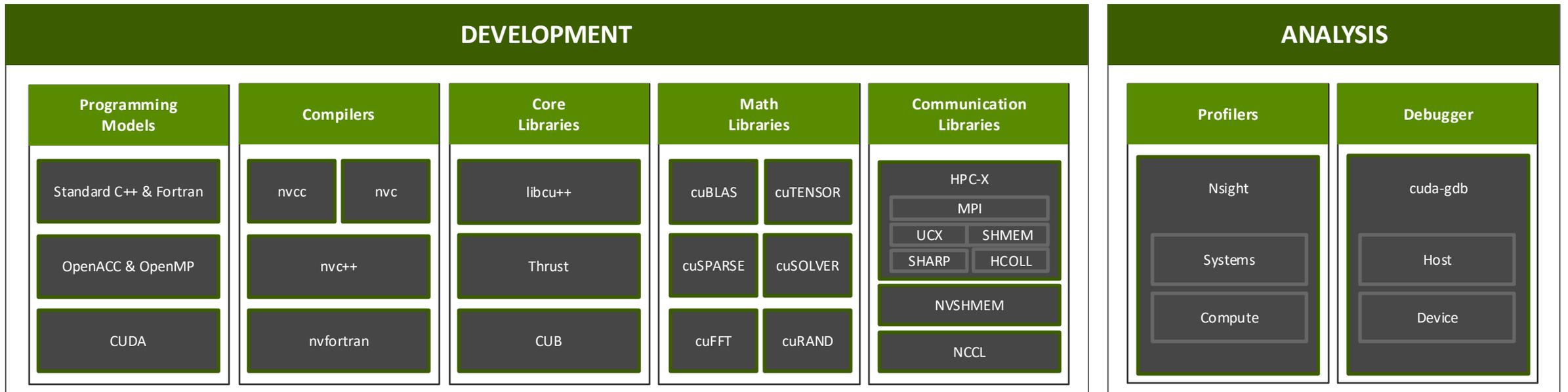
Data Analytics

AI

Quantum

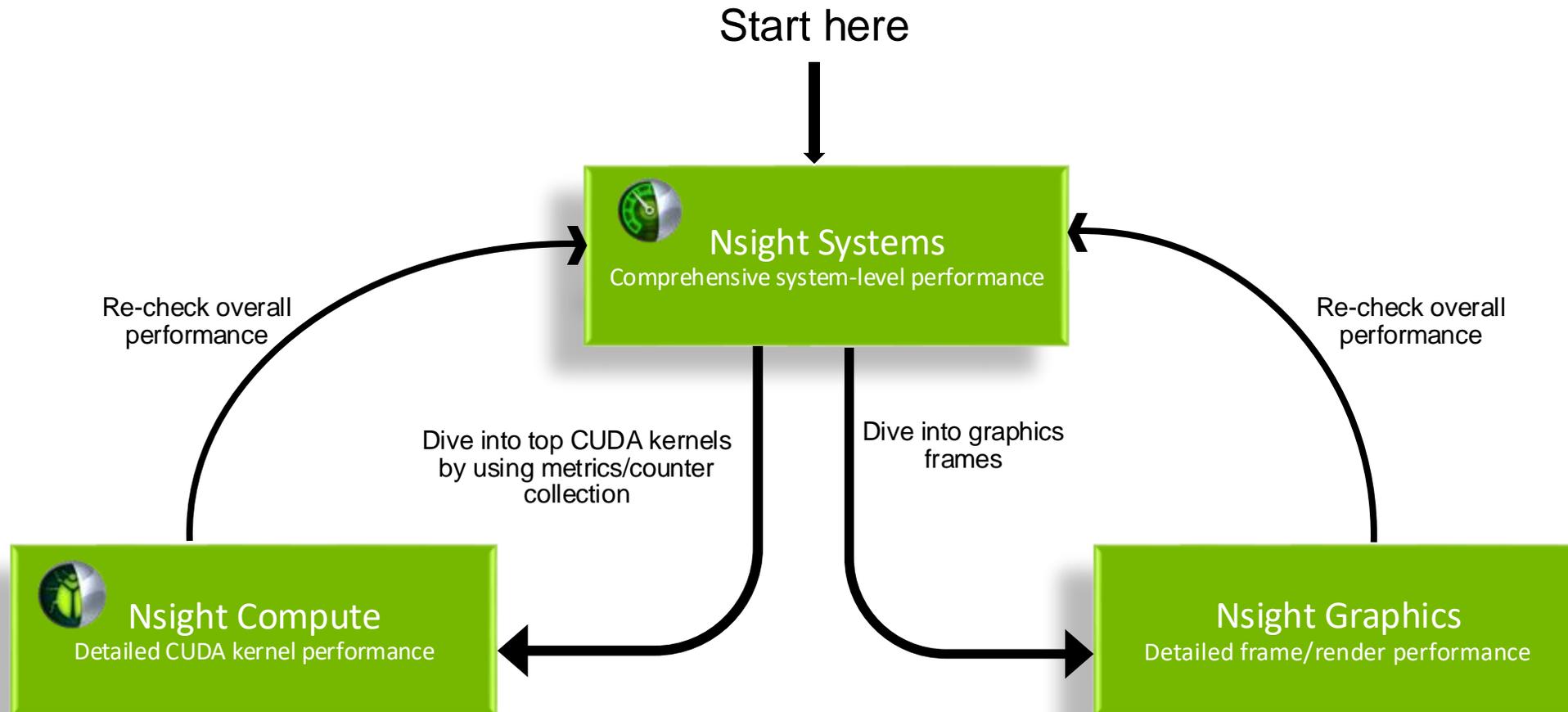
NVIDIA HPC SDK

Available at developer.nvidia.com/hpc-sdk, on NGC, via Spack, and in the Cloud



Develop for the NVIDIA Platform: GPU, CPU and Interconnect
Libraries | Accelerated C++ and Fortran | Directives | CUDA
7-8 Releases Per Year | Freely Available

NSIGHT Profilers Workflow



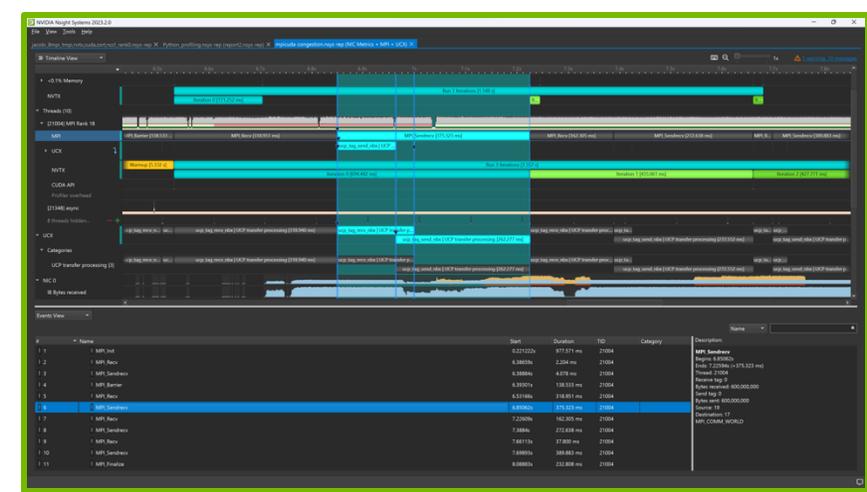
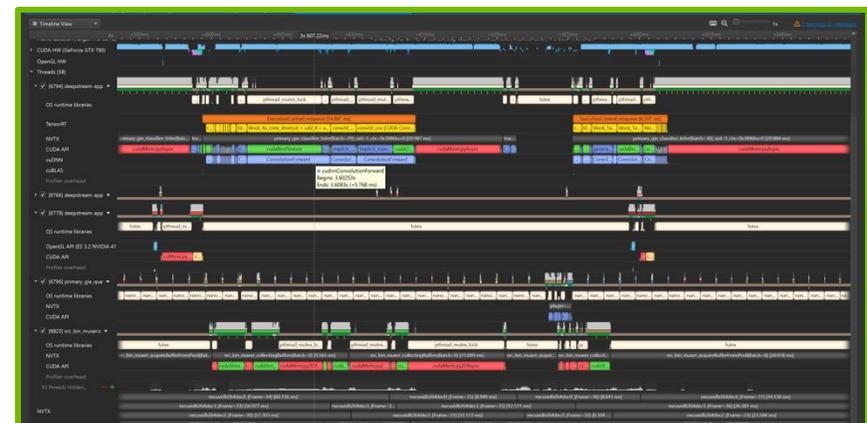


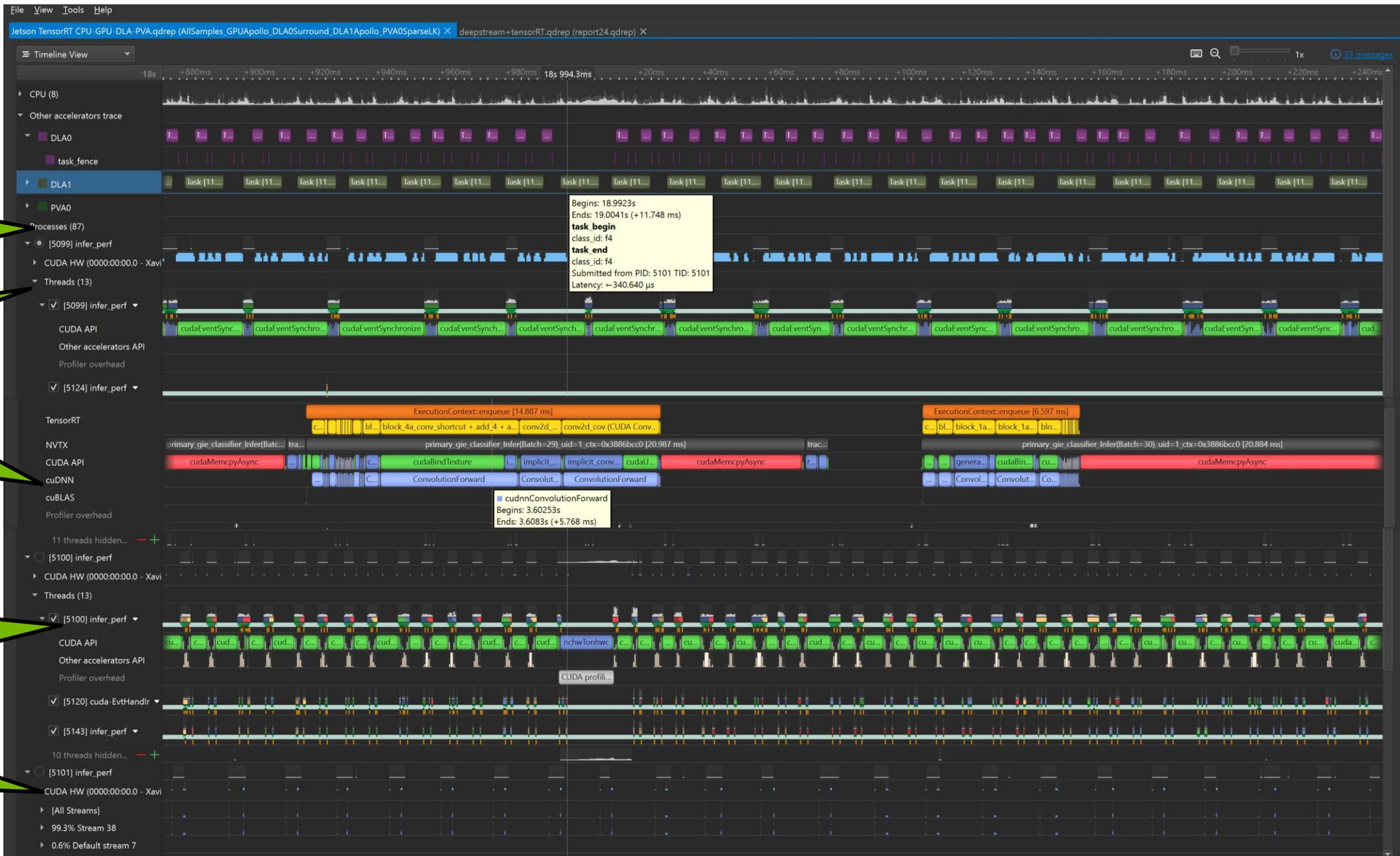
Nsight Systems

System Profiler

Key Features:

- System-wide application algorithm tuning
 - Multi-process tree support
- Locate optimization opportunities
 - Visualize millions of events on a very fast GUI timeline
 - Identify gaps of unused CPU and GPU time
- Balance your workload across multiple CPUs and GPUs
 - CPU algorithms, utilization and thread state
 - GPU streams, kernels, memory transfers, etc
- Command Line, Standalone, IDE Integration
- OS: Linux (x86, ARM Server, Tegra), Windows, macOS X (host)
- GPUs: Pascal+
- Docs/product: <https://developer.nvidia.com/nsight-systems>





Processes and threads

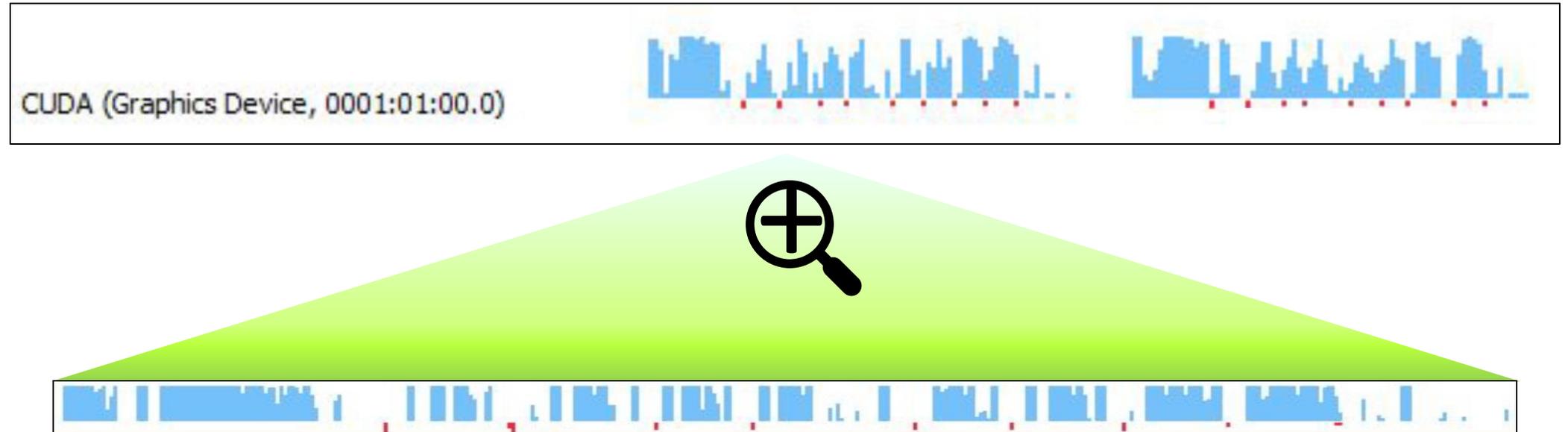
Thread state

cuDNN and cuBLAS trace

Kernel and memory transfer activities

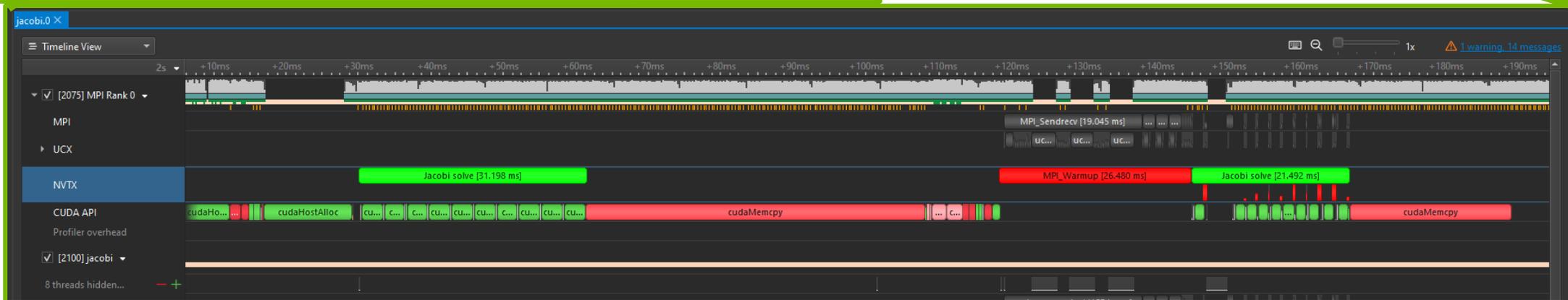
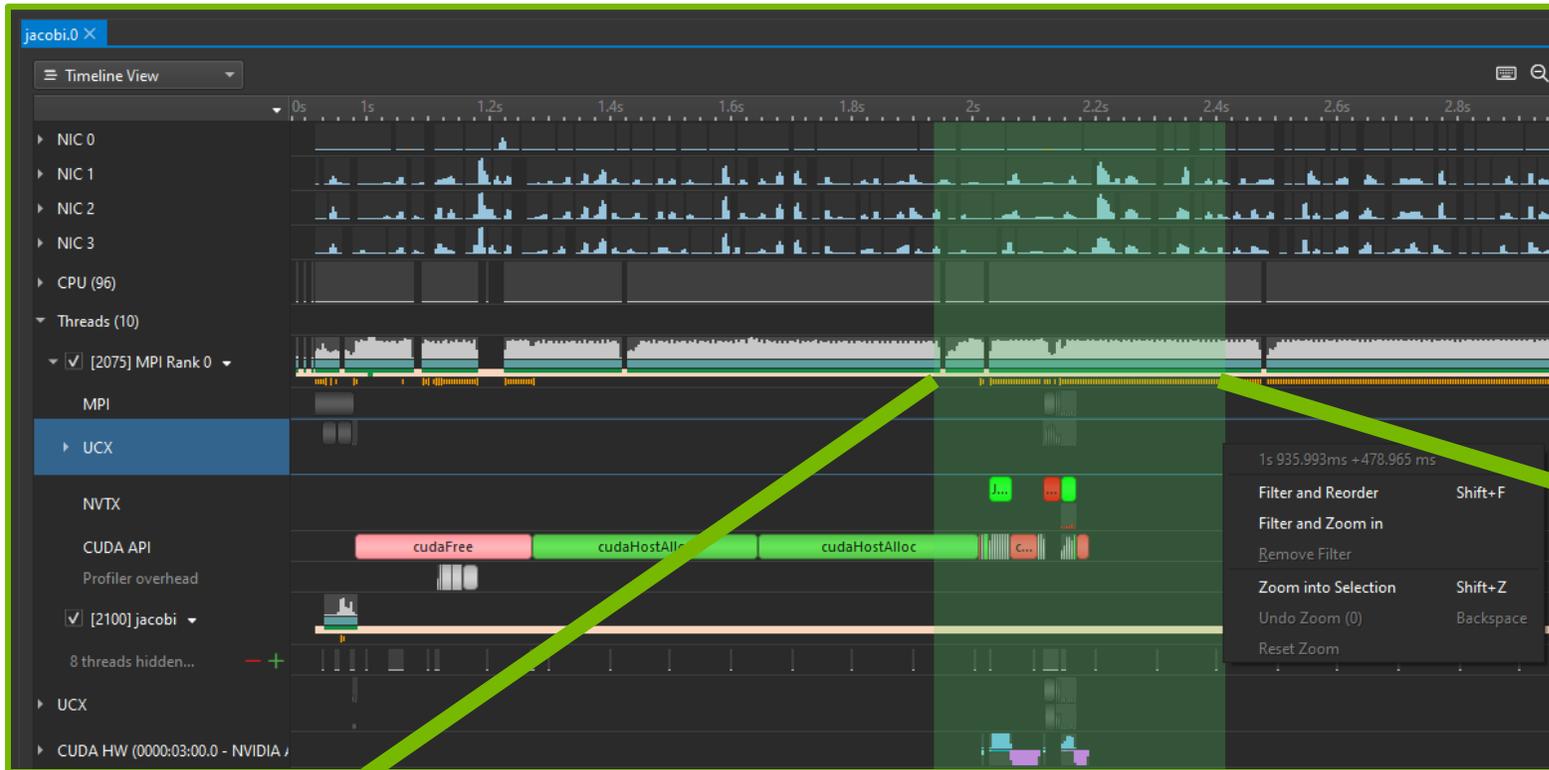
Multi-GPU

Reading Utilization



- Zoom in to valleys to find gaps!

Zoom/Filter to Exact Areas of Interest

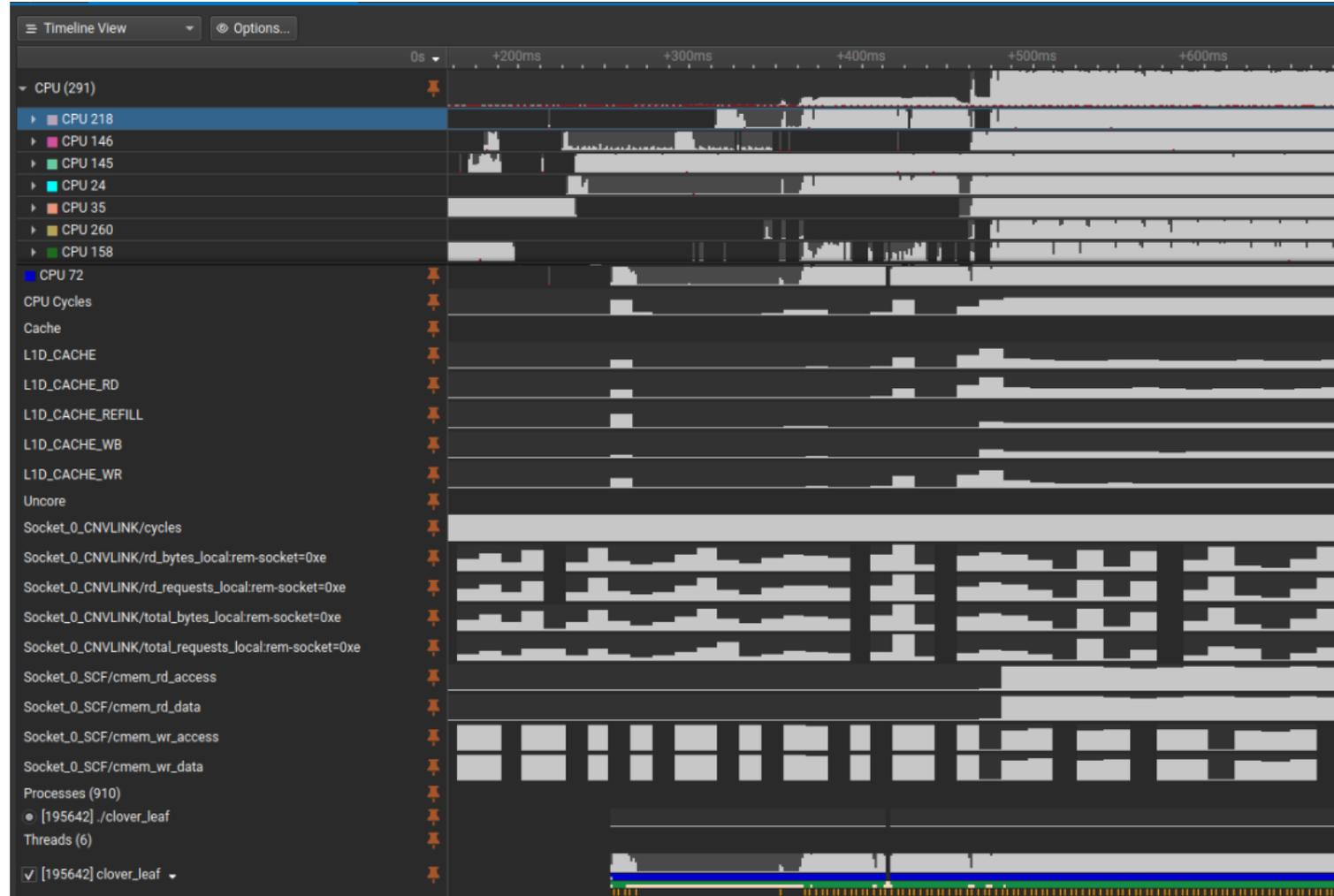




Grace Host Profiling

Hardware Counters and Metrics

- CPU Core and Uncore Events
 - Sampled for each CPU
 - Visualize parallelism effects
 - Cache hit/miss, instructions retired, etc...
 - L3 Coherency Fabric
 - Socket to socket traffic
- Variable sampling frequencies supported
- Timeline correlated with all other data
 - GPU vs. CPU idle times and metrics
 - Data movement
 - Zoom and filter

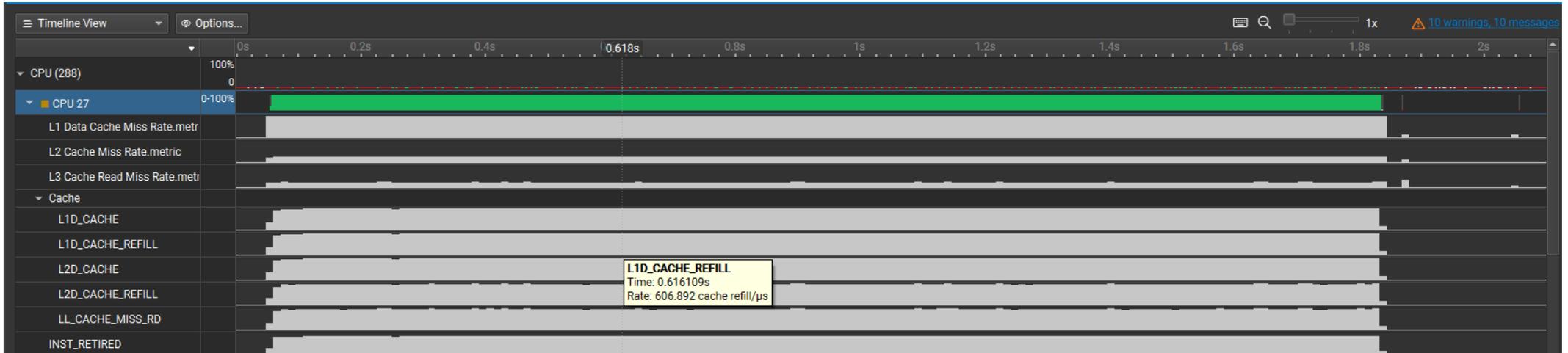




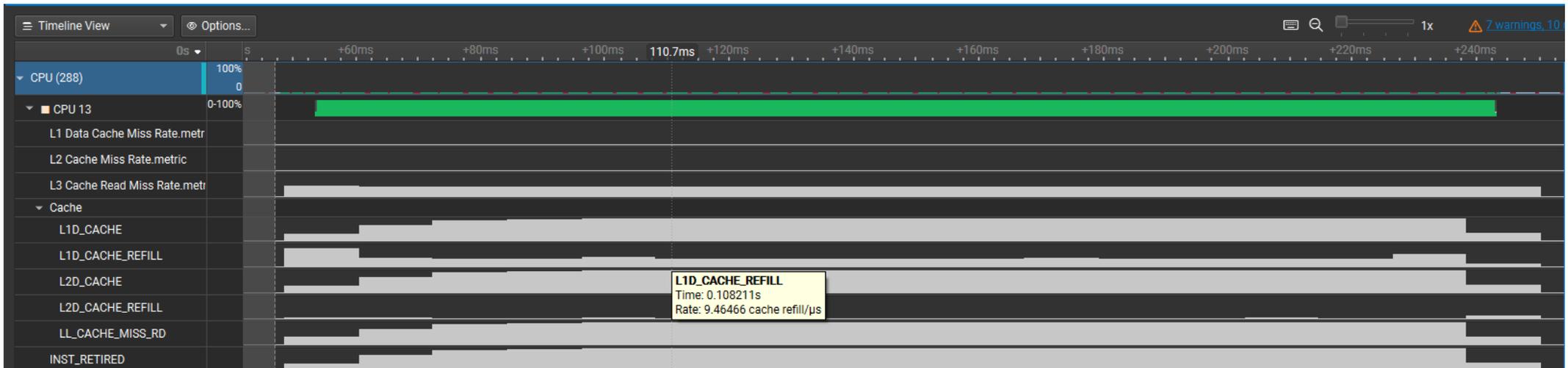
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Cache Access Pattern Example

Single threaded CPU matrix multiplication with poor memory access patterns



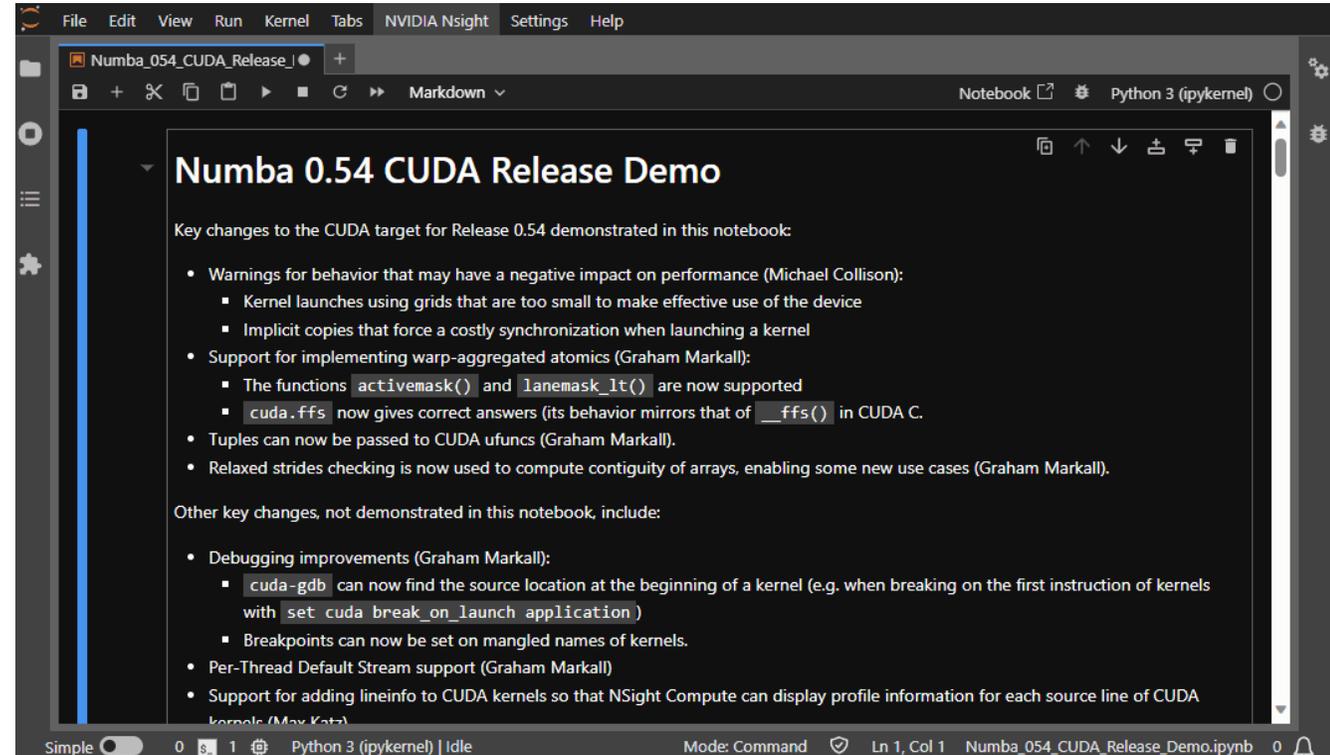
Improving access pattern and implementing cache blocking





JupyterLab Integration Updates

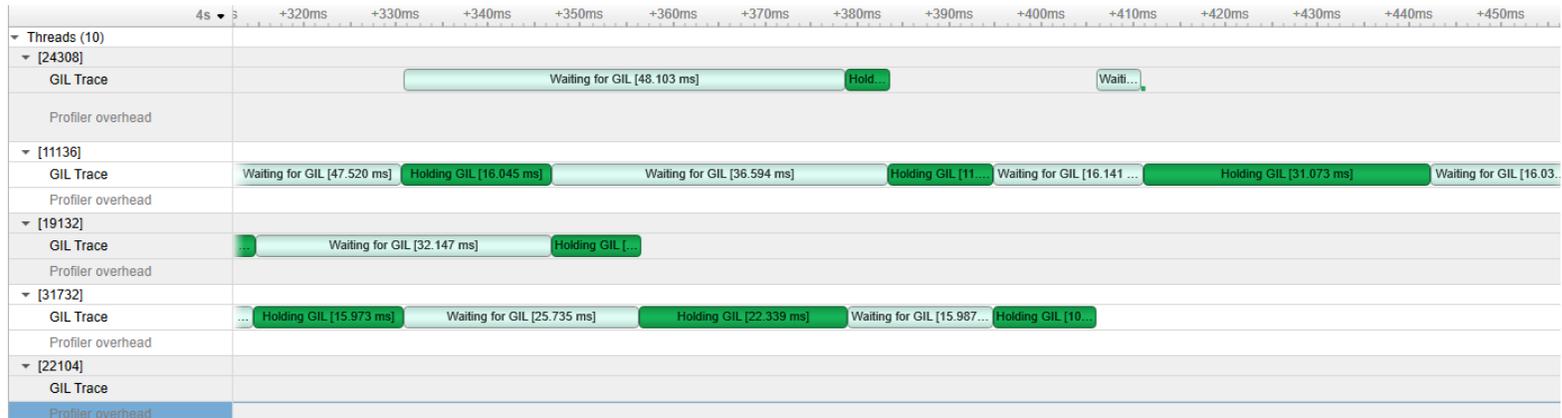
- Extension to JupyterLab
- Profile individual Jupyter cells
- Text-based results can be viewed directly in Jupyter
- Launch **new** remote GUI streaming container directly in JupyterLab
 - Servers without X, Windowing Manager, ...
 - Container with X, WM, & WebRTC server
 - Dockerfile inside Nsight Systems Installer
- See it in action:
 - [DLIT61667](#): Profilers, Python, and Performance: Nsight Tools for Optimizing Modern CUDA Workloads





Python Profiling Updates

- Python Call Stacks Samples and CUDA API Backtrace
 - Identify where you are and how you got there
- Global Interpreter Lock (GIL) trace
 - Common performance limiter in Python
- See annotated code ranges built into in popular frameworks and libraries such as:
 - RAPIDS, Spark, CV-CUDA, and more...



Timeline range for a CUDA API call

C/C++ frames

Python frames

```
computeOffsetsKernel
Call to computeOffsetsKernel
  Kernel launcher
  Begins: 120.838s
  Ends: 120.838s (+14.568 µs)
  Return value: 0
  GPU: 0000:01:00.0 - NVIDIA GeForce GTX 1080
  Stream: 7
  Latency: 13.379 µs→
  Correlation ID: 1318684

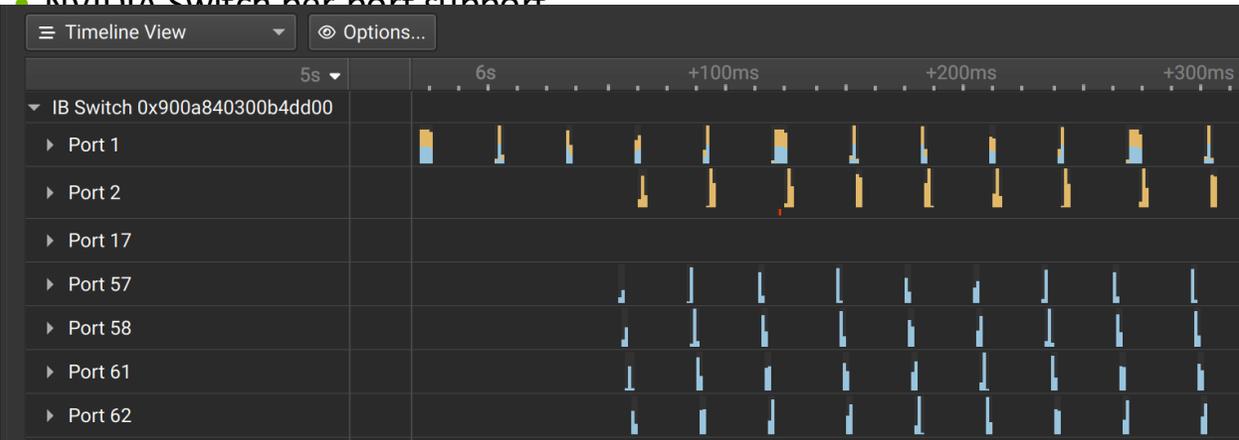
Call stack at 120.838s:
Naight Systems frames
libcuda.so.635.54.0310x7f3f39c462e6
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.810x7f3e15a11d58
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcask_cudnn:ImplicitGemmShader<...>:initDeviceReservedSpace(...)
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:cnn:infer:InferNdSubEngine<...>:execute_internal_fprop_impl(...)
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:cnn:infer:InferNdSubEngine<...>:execute_internal_impl(...)
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:cnn:EngineInterface:execute(...)
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:cnn:EngineInterface:execute(...)
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:cnn:AutoTransformationExecutor:execute_pipeline(...) const
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:cnn:BatchPartitionExecutor:operator(...) const
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:cnn:GeneralizedConvolutionEngine<...>:execute_internal_impl(...)
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:cnn:EngineInterface:execute(...)
libcudnn_cnn_infer.so.8lcudnn:backend:execute(...)
libtorch_cuda_solat:native:run_conv_plan(...)
libtorch_cuda_solat:native:run_single_conv(...)
libtorch_cuda_solat:native:raw_cudnn_convolution_forward_out(...)
libtorch_cuda_solat:native:cudnn_convolution_forward(...)
libtorch_cuda_solat:native:cudnn_convolution(...)
libtorch_cuda_solat:(.):(.)wrapper_CUDA_cudnn_convolution(...)
libtorch_cuda_solat10:impl:wrap_kernel_func_unboxed<...>:call(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat_ops:cudnn_convolution:call(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat:native:convolution(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat:(.):(.)wrapper_CompositeExplicitAutograd_convolution(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat10:impl:wrap_kernel_func_unboxed<...>:call(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat_ops:convolution:call(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat:native:convolution(...)
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libtorch_cpu_solat10:impl:wrap_kernel_func_unboxed<...>:call(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat_ops:convolution:call(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat:native:conv2d(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat10:impl:wrap_kernel_func_unboxed<...>:call(...)
libtorch_cpu_solat_ops:conv2d:call(...)
libtorch_python_soltorch_autograd_THPVariable_conv2d(...)
[Python] conv.py:conv_forward, 459
[Python] conv.py:forward, 463
[Python] module.py:call_impl, 1501
[Python] main.py:forward, 24
[Python] module.py:call_impl, 1501
[Python] main.py:train, 42
[Python] main.py:main, 136
[Python] main.py:<module>, 145
lib.so.6l__libc_start_call_main
lib.so.6l__libc_start_main@GLIBC_2
python3.10l_start
```



Cluster and Recipe Framework Improvements

- Nsight Systems enhanced support for Kubernetes
- Nsight Systems analysis framework:
 - User programmable and predefined recipes to:
 - Process and analyze complex and large reports or collection of reports
 - Understand how compute cold-spots relate to communications
 - Generate multi-node heatmaps to show :
 - InfiniBand congestion
 - InfiniBand, Ethernet, and NVLink throughputs
 - Overlapped compute and networking

• NVIDIA Switch per port support



```

workstation: /develop/Archive/CSP/devtools-sidecar-injector$ kubectl get pods -A
NAMESPACE          NAME                                                                 READY   STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
example-ns         cuda-vector-add-69c5cb6b7c-r542t                                   1/1     Running   0           34s
gmp-system          alertmanager-0                                                     2/2     Running   0           3d16h
gmp-system          collector-sd8ln                                                    2/2     Running   0           3d16h
gmp-system          collector-tsjd7                                                    2/2     Running   0           46m
gmp-system          gmp-operator-69f4b6cb87-1xfk5                                       1/1     Running   0           46h
gmp-system          rule-evaluator-9bd9c559f-2kzkh                                       2/2     Running   2 (3d16h ago)  3d16h
gpu-operator        gpu-feature-discovery-lwd45                                         1/1     Running   0           45m
gpu-operator        gpu-operator-999cc8dcc-cj5hc                                       1/1     Running   10 (46h ago)  3d15h
gpu-operator        gpu-operator-node-feature-discovery-gc-7cc7ccfff8-2cgbh           1/1     Running   0           3d15h
gpu-operator        gpu-operator-node-feature-discovery-master-d8597d549-1t7vj         1/1     Running   0           3d15h
gpu-operator        gpu-operator-node-feature-discovery-worker-hcmr7                   1/1     Running   0           46m
gpu-operator        gpu-operator-node-feature-discovery-worker-rvvcz                   1/1     Running   9 (46h ago)  3d15h
gpu-operator        nvidia-container-toolkit-daemonset-lqyv7                          1/1     Running   0           45m
gpu-operator        nvidia-cuda-validator-k6bph                                         0/1     Completed  0           41m
gpu-operator        nvidia-dcgm-exporter-29kbz                                          1/1     Running   0           45m
gpu-operator        nvidia-device-plugin-daemonset-n7rj1                               1/1     Running   0           45m
gpu-operator        nvidia-driver-daemonset-jb4dw                                       1/1     Running   0           45m
gpu-operator        nvidia-operator-validator-56nc4                                       1/1     Running   0           45m
kube-system         event-exporter-gke-754cff8686-mv585                                 2/2     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         fluentbit-gke-d8kg2                                                 2/2     Running   0           46m
kube-system         fluentbit-gke-lrjvb                                                 2/2     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         gke-metadata-server-8qm55                                           1/1     Running   0           46m
kube-system         gke-metadata-server-kfcj8                                           1/1     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         gke-metrics-agent-nrgcn                                             2/2     Running   0           46h
kube-system         gke-metrics-agent-x8rcr                                             2/2     Running   0           46m
kube-system         connectivity-agent-7f8fc89f85-c96jx                                 2/2     Running   0           3d15h
kube-system         connectivity-agent-7f8fc89f85-stgls                                  2/2     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         connectivity-agent-autoscaler-8fff668b4-rlz7q                       1/1     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         kube-dns-577947fcfc-2g4x4                                           4/4     Running   0           3d15h
kube-system         kube-dns-577947fcfc-hrsdh                                           4/4     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         kube-dns-autoscaler-755c7dfdf5-9b5bv                                1/1     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         kube-proxy-gke-nsight-load-test-tf-nsight-load-t-03e52019-1z5m    1/1     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         kube-proxy-gke-nsight-load-test-tf-nsight-load-t-e8d740d6-2jhb    1/1     Running   0           46m
kube-system         l7-default-backend-9b4f84c76-wlwnl                                  1/1     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         metrics-server-v0.6.3-b76d4c5f8-qvchh                              2/2     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         netd-mnsj9                                                          1/1     Running   0           46m
kube-system         netd-vbc92                                                          1/1     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         nvidia-gpu-device-plugin-small-ubuntu-54pl6                       0/1     Init:0/2   0           46m
kube-system         pdcsi-node-mm2s4                                                    2/2     Running   0           46m
kube-system         pdcsi-node-w8mft                                                    2/2     Running   0           3d16h
kube-system         nvidia-devtools-sidecar-injector-676b496845-jt9rc                 1/1     Running   0           46s
workstation: /develop/Archive/CSP/devtools-sidecar-injector$ # Using nsys_k8s.py we can control the profiling of the containers.
./nsys_k8s.py nsys stop
Executing command: /mnt/nv/bin/nsight-systems/target-linux-x64/nsys stop --session k8s_auto_56b82acc
Output from pod cuda-vector-add-69c5cb6b7c-r542t, container cuda-vector-add:
Generating '/tmp/nsys-report-f50f.qdstrm'
[1/1] [=====100%] auto_sleep_example-ns_cuda-vector-add-69c5cb6b7c_cuda-vector-add-1708078828373_56b82acc.nsys-rep
Generated:
/home/auto_sleep_example-ns_cuda-vector-add-69c5cb6b7c_cuda-vector-add-1708078828373_56b82acc.nsys-rep
workstation: /develop/Archive/CSP/devtools-sidecar-injector$
  
```

NVIDIA Tools eXtension (NVTX)

- Decorate application source code with annotations (markers, ranges, nested ranges, ...) to help visualize execution with debugging, tracing and profiling tools

- Header-only library <https://github.com/NVIDIA/NVTX/tree/release-v3/c>.

```
#include <nvtx3/nvToolsExt.h>
```

- Marker:

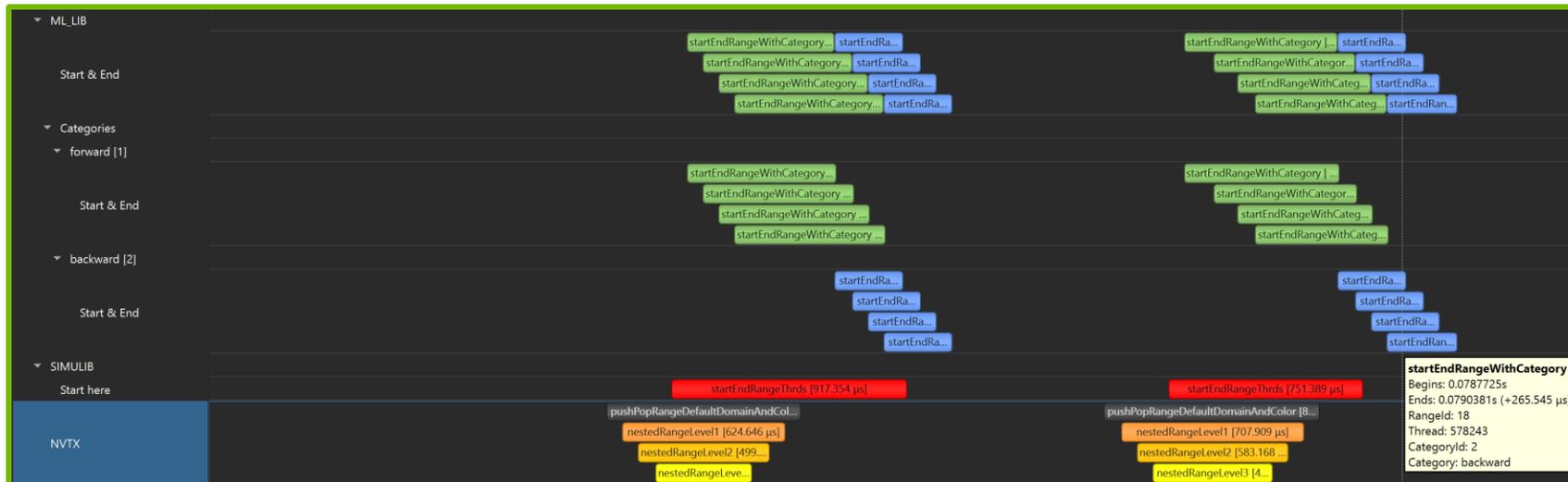
```
nvtxMark("This is a marker");
```

- Push-Pop range

```
nvtxRangePush("This is a push/pop range");  
// Do something interesting in the range  
nvtxRangePop(); // Pop must be on same thread as corresponding Push
```

- Start-End range

```
nvtxRangeHandle_t handle = nvtxRangeStart("This is a start/end range");  
// Somewhere else in the code, not necessarily same thread as Start call:  
nvtxRangeEnd(handle);
```



API references <https://nvidia.github.io/NVTX/doxygen/index.html> and <https://nvidia.github.io/NVTX/doxygen-cpp/index.html>

Python and NVTX

- Annotate Python code with NVTX

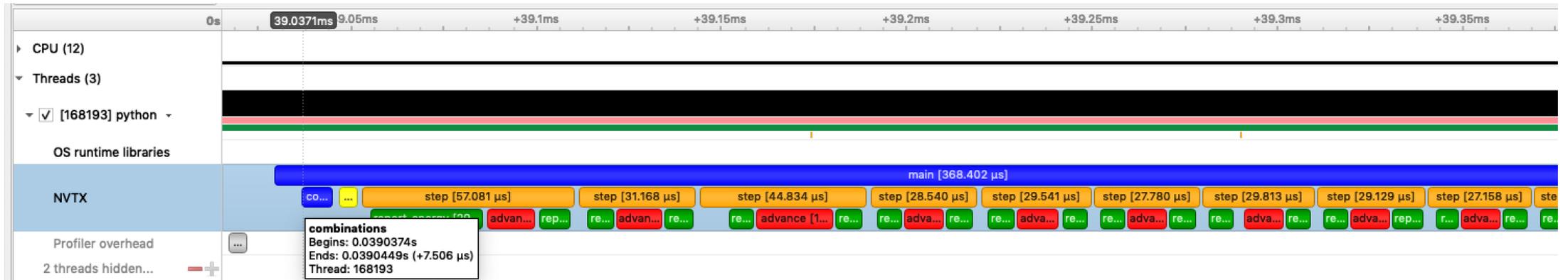
```
# demo.py

import time
import nvtx

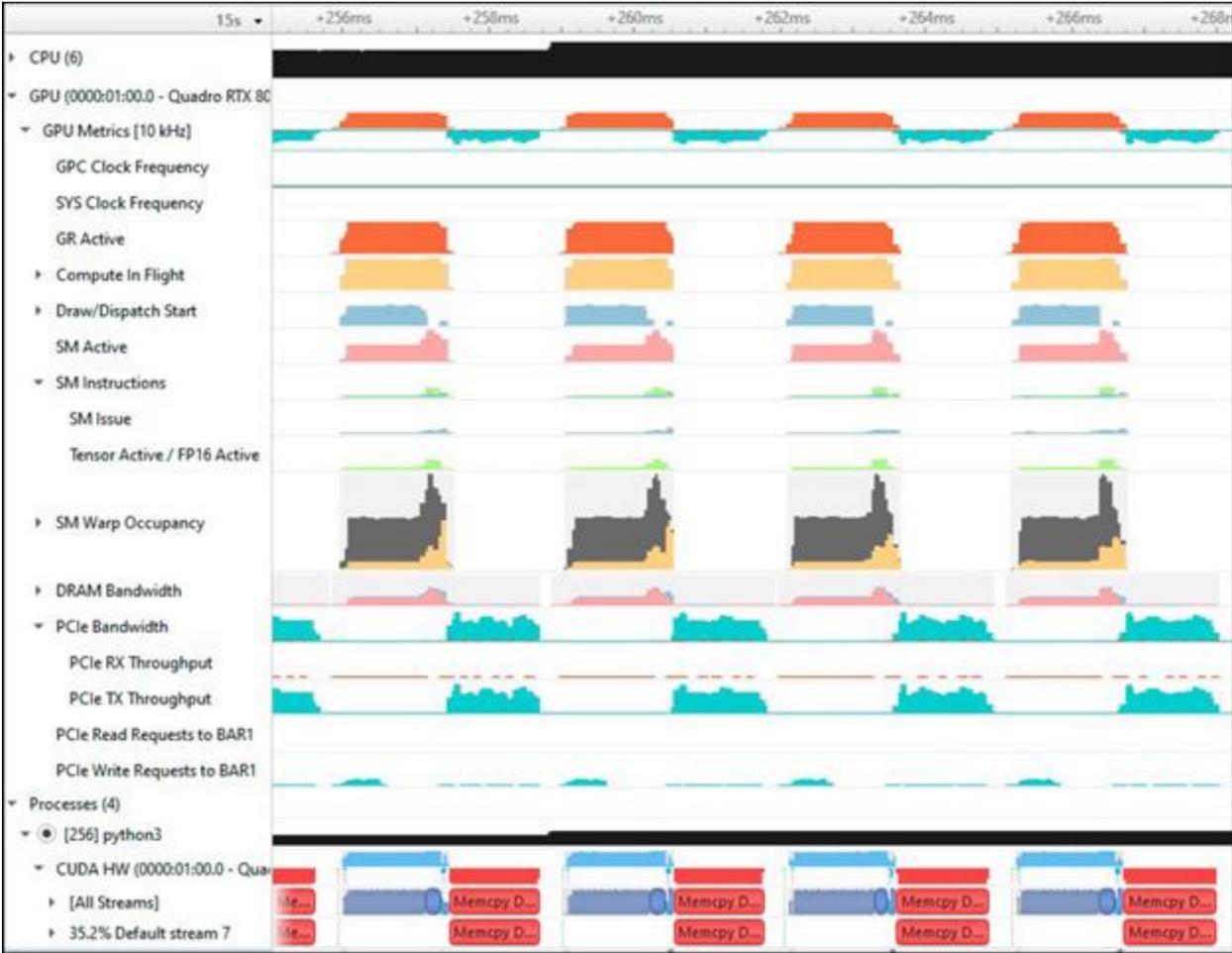
@nvtx.annotate(color="blue")
def my_function():
    for i in range(5):
        with nvtx.annotate("my_loop", color="red"):
            time.sleep(i)

my_function()
```

- pip install nvtx - <https://pypi.org/project/nvtx/>



GPU Metrics Sampling



- Useful GPU utilization metrics, but no kernel names / correlation

Interpreting GPU Sampling Metrics

- GR Activity -> GPU is doing work
 - SM, NVENC, NVDEC, Graphics
- SM Activity -> Utilizing width of GPU
 - If low, modify kernel grid dimension or increase batch size
- SM Instruction Issued -> GPU is performing lots of instructions
 - Stalled waiting on memory?
 - Not enough warps to cover memory latency? Issue larger kernel block dimensions.
- SM Instructions tensor activity -> Tensor core utilization
 - Performance up, SM instructions can drop (depending on arch)
 - Can be limited by shared memory, waiting for loads
- Note: Requires disabling DCGM and DL built-in profilers

Application Profiles with Nsight Systems

```
$ nsys profile -o report -stats=true ./myapp.exe
```

- Generated file: report.qdrep (or report.nsys-rep)
Open for viewing in the Nsight Systems UI
- When using MPI, recommended to use *nsys* after *mpirun/srun*:

```
$ mpirun -n 4 nsys profile ./myapp.exe
```

Profiling DL Models

- Pytorch
 - DNN Layer annotations are disabled by default
 - ++ "with `torch.autograd.profiler.emit_nvtx():`"
 - Manually with `torch.cuda.nvtx.range_(push/pop)`
 - TensorRT backend is already annotated

- Tensorflow
 - Annotated by default with NVTX in NVIDIA TF containers
 - `TF_DISABLE_NVTX_RANGES=1` to disable for production

General Optimization Tips

- Using tensor cores?
 - Minimize conversions/transposes
- Increase grid and batch size to utilize GPU's width
- Conventional parallelism – more worker threads!
- Parallel pipelining
 - No data dependency? Parallelize!
 - Prefetch next batch/iteration during computation
- Can I reorder sooner?

General Optimization Tips

- Fuse tiny kernels, copies, memsets.
 - Check out CUDA Graphs
- Overlap/oversubscribe with MPS
- Multi-buffering
 - Don't make everyone wait on the same piece of memory
 - Double, triple buffer
- Avoid moving data back to the CPU
 - Pre-allocate and recycle!
- Minimize managed memory page faults
 - Prefetch!

Expert Systems & Statistics

Built-in data analytics with advice

The screenshot displays the NVIDIA Nsight Systems interface. The top section shows a timeline view of system events. A callout menu is open, listing various system events such as 'CUDA Async Memcpy with Pageable Memory', 'CUDA Synchronous Memcpy', and 'CUDA Synchronous Memset'. The bottom section, 'Expert System View', provides a detailed table of events for 'CUDA Async Memcpy with Pageable Memory'. The table includes columns for Duration, Start, Src Kind, Dst Kind, Bytes, PID, Device ID, Context ID, Stream ID, and API Name. A text box on the left of the table explains that these APIs use PAGEABLE memory, causing asynchronous operations to block and be executed synchronously, leading to low GPU utilization. A suggestion is provided: 'If applicable, use PINNED memory instead.' A CLI command is also shown: 'nsys analyze -r cuda-async-memcpy /mnt/data/traces/qdrep/ncc1/profile_circe-n011_506451_0.sqlite'.

Duration	Start	Src Kind	Dst Kind	Bytes	PID	Device ID	Context ID	Stream ID	API Name
2,048 µs	6,38792s	Device	Pageable	8 B	75475	0	0	1	cudaMemcpy
2,048 µs	6,8334s	Device	Pageable	4 B	75475	0	0	1	cudaMemcpy
2,016 µs	2,5394s	Device	Pageable	4 B	75475	0	0	1	cudaMemcpy
2,016 µs	3,90617s	Device	Pageable	48 B	75475	0	0	1	cudaMemcpy
2,016 µs	4,25257s	Device	Pageable	4 B	75475	0	0	1	cudaMemcpy
2,016 µs	5,67617s	Device	Pageable	48 B	75475	0	0	1	cudaMemcpy
2,016 µs	5,9572s	Device	Pageable	8 B	75475	0	0	1	cudaMemcpy
2,016 µs	5,97088s	Device	Pageable	4 B	75475	0	0	1	cudaMemcpy



Nsight Compute

Kernel Profiler

Key Features:

- Interactive CUDA API debugging and kernel profiling
- Built-in rules expertise
- Fully customizable data collection and display
- Command Line, Standalone, IDE Integration, Remote Targets
- OS: Linux (x86, Power, Tegra, Arm SBSA), Windows, macOS X (host only)
- GPUs: Volta+
- Docs/product: <https://developer.nvidia.com/nsight-compute>

GPU Speed Of Light

High-level overview of the utilization for compute and memory resources of the GPU. For each unit, the Speed Of Light (SOL) reports the achieved percentage. High-level overview of the utilization for compute and memory resources of the GPU presented as a roofline chart.

Metric	Value	Change	Unit
SOL SM [%]	59.93	(-6.20%)	Duration [usecond]
SOL Memory [%]	64.50	(-6.38%)	Elapsed Cycles [cycle]
SOL L1/TEX Cache [%]	26.92	(-5.33%)	SM Active Cycles [cycle]
SOL L2 Cache [%]	64.50	(-6.38%)	SM Frequency [cycle/nsecond]
SOL DRAM [%]	51.55	(+84.34%)	DRAM Frequency [cycle/nsecond]

GPU Utilization

Speed Of Light [%]

Metric	Value
SM [%]	59.93
Memory [%]	64.50

```

inst_executed [inst] 63,021,056 (284 instances)
l1tex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu_mem_shared_op_ld.sum 0
l1tex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu_mem_shared_op_st.sum 0
l1tex_data_bank_reads.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed [%] 9.66
l1tex_data_bank_writes.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed [%] 3.23
l1tex_data_pipe_lsu_wavefronts.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed [%] 46.16
l1tex_data_pipe_lsu_wavefronts_mem_shared_cmd_read.sum 25,165,824
l1tex_data_pipe_lsu_wavefronts_mem_shared_cmd_read.sum.pct_of_peak_sustained_active [%] 40.75
l1tex_data_pipe_lsu_wavefronts_mem_shared_cmd_write.sum 2,097,152
l1tex_data_pipe_lsu_wavefronts_mem_shared_cmd_write.sum.pct_of_peak_sustained_active [%] 3.40
l1tex_data_pipe_tex_wavefronts.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed [%] 0
l1tex_f_wavefronts.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed [%] 0.00
l1tex_lsu_writeback_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed [%] 42.59
l1tex_lsu_writeback_active.sum [cycle] 27,803,648
l1tex_lsu_writeback_active.sum.pct_of_peak_sustained_active [%] 45.03
l1tex_lsuin_requests.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed [%] 66.00
l1tex_m_l1tex2xbar_req_cycles_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed [%] 3.40
l1tex_m_l1tex2xbar_write_bytes.sum [Mbyte] 4.19
l1tex_m_l1tex2xbar_write_bytes_mem_global_op_red.sum [byte] 0
  
```

@P0

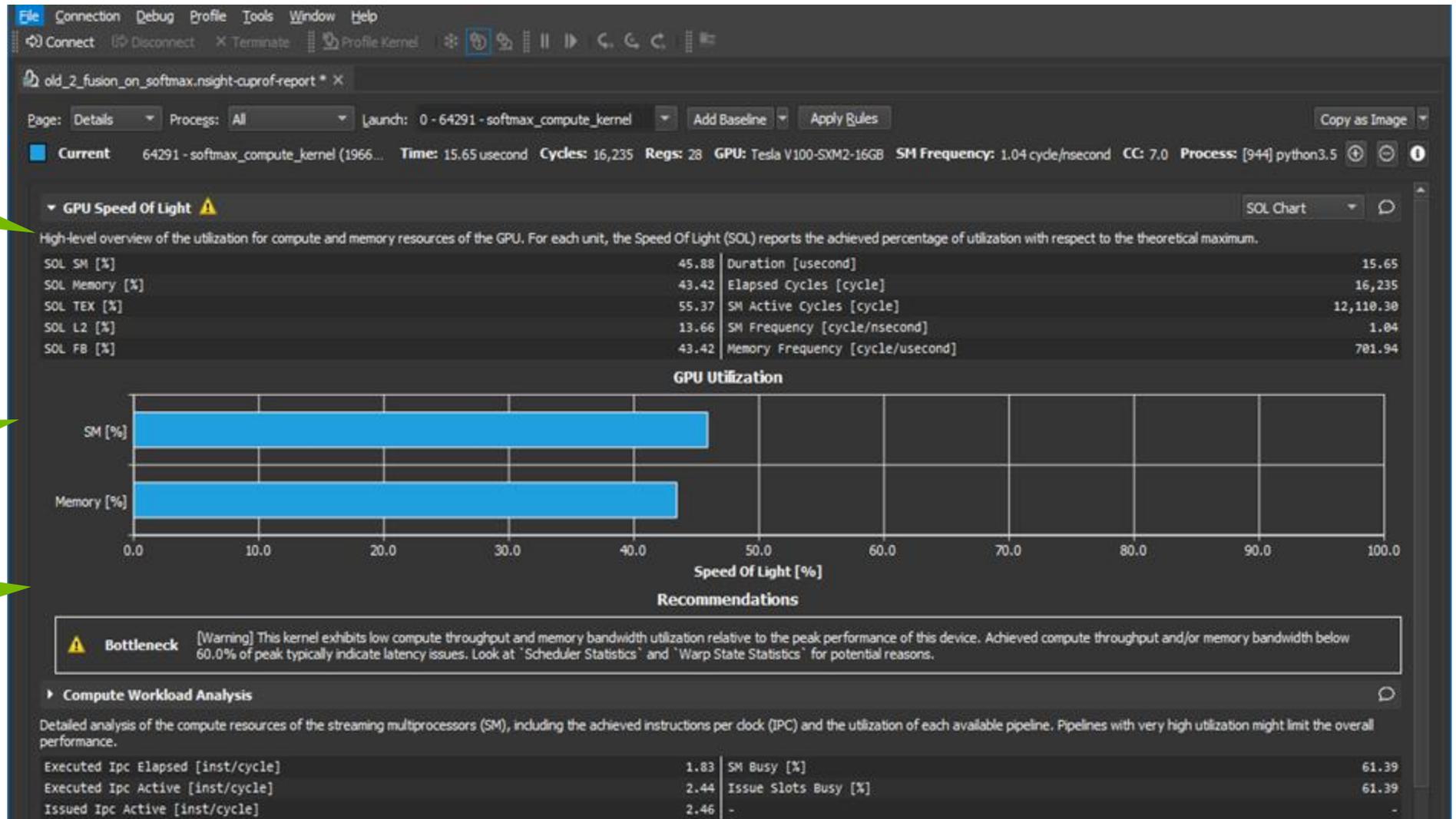
Instruction	Count	Value	Value	Value
EXIT	6	108	49	1,404,672
IADD3 R7, P2, R0, UR7, RZ	7	177	95	1,401,344
IADD3 R6, P1, R4, UR4, RZ	8	0	0	1,401,344
ISETP.GE.U32.AND P0, PT, R7, UR5, PT	8	1	1	1,401,344
IADD3.X R8, R2, UR8, RZ, P2, !PT	8	1	1	1,401,344
IMAD.X R7, RZ, RZ, R5, P1	9	0	0	1,401,344
ISETP.GE.U32.AND.EX P0, PT, R8, UR6, PT, P0	9	106	35	1,401,344
STG.E.U8 [R6.G4], R3	8	116	75	1,401,344
@P0 EXIT	8	92	33	1,401,344
IADD3 R8, P2, R0, UR9, RZ	9	45	14	1,397,120
IADD3 R6, P1, R6, UR4, RZ	9	248	145	1,397,120
ISETP.GE.U32.AND P0, PT, R8, UR5, PT	9	57	17	1,397,120
IADD3.X R8, R2, UR12, RZ, P2, !PT	9	1	1	1,397,120
IMAD.X R7, RZ, RZ, R7, P1	9	7	0	1,397,120
ISETP.GE.U32.AND.EX P0, PT, R8, UR6, PT, P0	9	94	15	1,397,120
STG.E.U8 [R6.G4], R3	8	104	61	1,397,120

Nsight Compute GUI Interface

Targeted metric sections

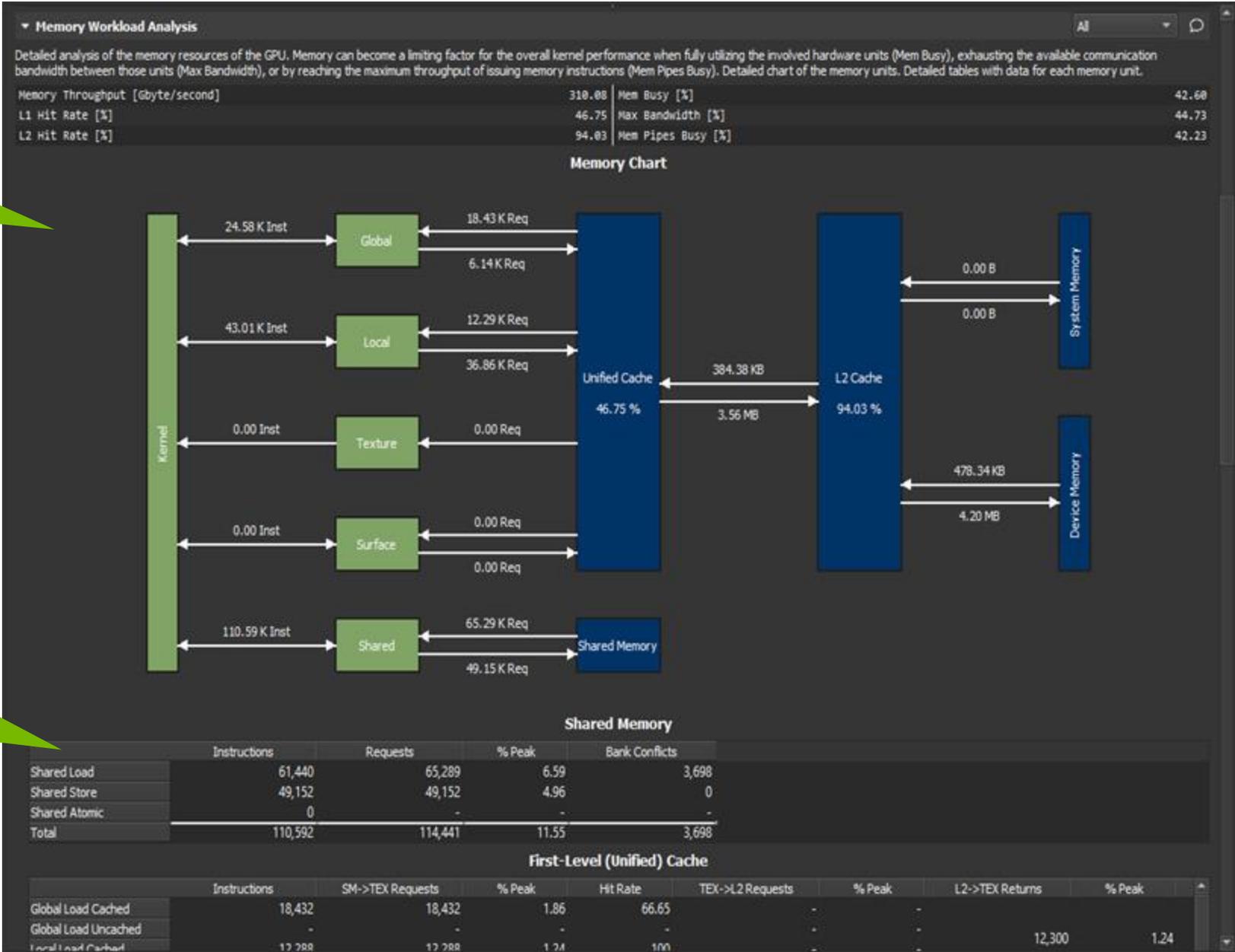
Customizable data collection and presentation

Built-in expertise for Guided Analysis and optimization



Visual memory analysis chart

Metrics for peak performance ratios



Instructions Executed

#	Source	Sampling Data (All)
234	typename DType, typename OType>	0
235	__global__ void softmax_compute_kernel(DType *in, OType *out, index_t M	0
236	Shape<ndim> sshape, Shape<ndim>	0
237	const double temperature) {	0
238	const unsigned x_size = 1 << x_bits;	0
239	__shared__ AType smem[x_size];	0
240	index_t sa = stride[axis];	61
241	index_t base = unravel_dot(blockIdx.x, sshape, stride);	0
242	index_t x = threadIdx.x;	52
243		0
244	red::maximum::SetInitValue(smem[x]);	44
245	for (index_t i = x; i < M; i += x_size) {	0
246	smem[x] = ::max(smem[x], negate ? -in[base + i*sa] : in[base + i*sa	0
247	}	0
248	__syncthreads();	0
249	cuda::Reduce1D<red::maximum, x_bits>(smem);	111
250	(@);	0
251	(value(smem[x]));	0
252	DType val;	0
253	for (index_t i = x; i < M; i += x_size) {	0
254	val = negate ? -in[base + i*sa]:in[base + i*sa];	14
255	smem[x] += static_cast<AType>(expf((val - smax) / static_cast<AType	118
256	}	0
257	__syncthreads();	0
258	cuda::Reduce1D<red::sum, x_bits>(smem);	208
259	__syncthreads();	0
260	AType ssum = smem[x];	0
261	__syncthreads();	0
262	for (index_t i =	0
263	val = negate ? -in[base + i*sa] : in[base + i*sa];	14
264	out[base + i*sa] = OP::Map((val - smax)/static_cast<DType>(temperat	0
265	}	0
266		0
267		0
268		0
269		0

Sampling Data (All)

#	Source	Sampling Data (All)	Instructions Executed
133	BSYNC B0	0	6,144
134	NOP	0	6,144
135	BAR.SYNC 0x0	1	6,144
136	ISETP.GT.AND P0, PT, R11, 0x3f, PT	2	6,144
137	BSSY B1, 0x7f87d326fc50	1	6,144
138	ISETP.GT.AND P1, PT, R11, 0x1f, PT	1	6,144
139	ISETP.GT.AND P2, PT, R11, 0xf, PT	0	6,144
140	ISETP.GT.AND P3, PT, R11, 0x7, PT	2	6,144
141	@!P0 LDS.U R4, [R14+0xc100]	2	6,144
142	@!P0 LDS.U R5, [R14]	4	6,144
143	@!P0 STL [R1+0xc8], R4	3	6,144
144	@!P0 FMMX R5, R5, R4, !PT	2	6,144
145	@!P0 STS [R14], R5	4	6,144
146	NOP	0	6,144
147	BAR.SYNC 0x0	4	6,144
148	@!P1 LDS.U R6, [R14+0xc80]	8	6,144
149	ISETP.GT.AND P0, PT, R11, 0x3, PT	0	6,144
150	P1 LDS.U R7, [R14]	1	6,144
151	P1 STL [R1+0xc], R6	4	6,144
152	P1 FMMX R7, R7, R6, !PT	0	6,144
153	P1 STS [R14], R7	3	6,144
154	NOP	4	6,144
155	BAR.SYNC 0x0	0	6,144
156	@!P2 LDS.U R8, [R14+0x40]	4	6,144
157	ISETP.GT.AND P1, PT, R11, 0x1, PT	0	6,144
158	@!P2 LDS.U R9, [R14]	2	6,144
159	@!P2 STL [R1+0x10], R8	0	6,144
160	@!P2 FMMX R9, R9, R8, !PT	0	6,144
161	@!P2 STS [R14], R9	0	6,144
162	NOP	1	6,144
163	@!P3 LDS.U R10, [R14+0x20]	1	6,144
164	@!P3 LDS.U R5, [R14]	0	6,144
165	@!P3 STL [R1+0x14], R10	4	6,144
166	@!P3 FMMX R5, R5, R10, !PT	2	6,144
167	@!P3 STS [R14], R5	2	6,144
168	NOP	0	6,144

Total Sample Count: 111
 Barrier: 43 (38.7%)
 Mio Throttle: 21 (18.9%)
 Not Selected: 8 (7.2%)
 Selected: 7 (6.3%)
 Short Scoreboard: 16 (14.4%)
 Wait: 16 (14.4%)

Source/PTX/SASS analysis and correlation

Source metrics per instruction

Metric heatmap to quickly identify hotspots

Kernel Profiles with Nsight Compute

```
$ ncu -k mykernel -o report ./myapp.exe
```

- Generated file: report.ncu-rep
 - Open for viewing in the Nsight Compute UI
- (Without the `-k` option, Nsight Compute will profile everything and take a long time)

Standalone Source Viewer

- View of side-by-side assembly and correlated source code for CUDA kernels
- No profile required
- Open .cubin files directly
- Helps identify compiler optimizations and inefficiencies

The screenshot displays the Standalone Source Viewer interface. The top bar shows the current launch configuration: "Launch: 0 -32655 - device_tea_leaf_ppcg_sol" with options for "Add Baseline" and "Apply Rules". Below this, a summary row provides performance metrics: "Current" launch, "32655 - device_tea_leaf_ppcg_solve_update_r (126, 1001, 1)x(32, 4, 1)", "1.07 msecond", "1,458,003" cycles, "32" registers, "GPU" NVIDIA GeForce RTX 2080 TI, "1.36 cycle/msecond" SM frequency, and "7.5 [10906] tea_leaf" process.

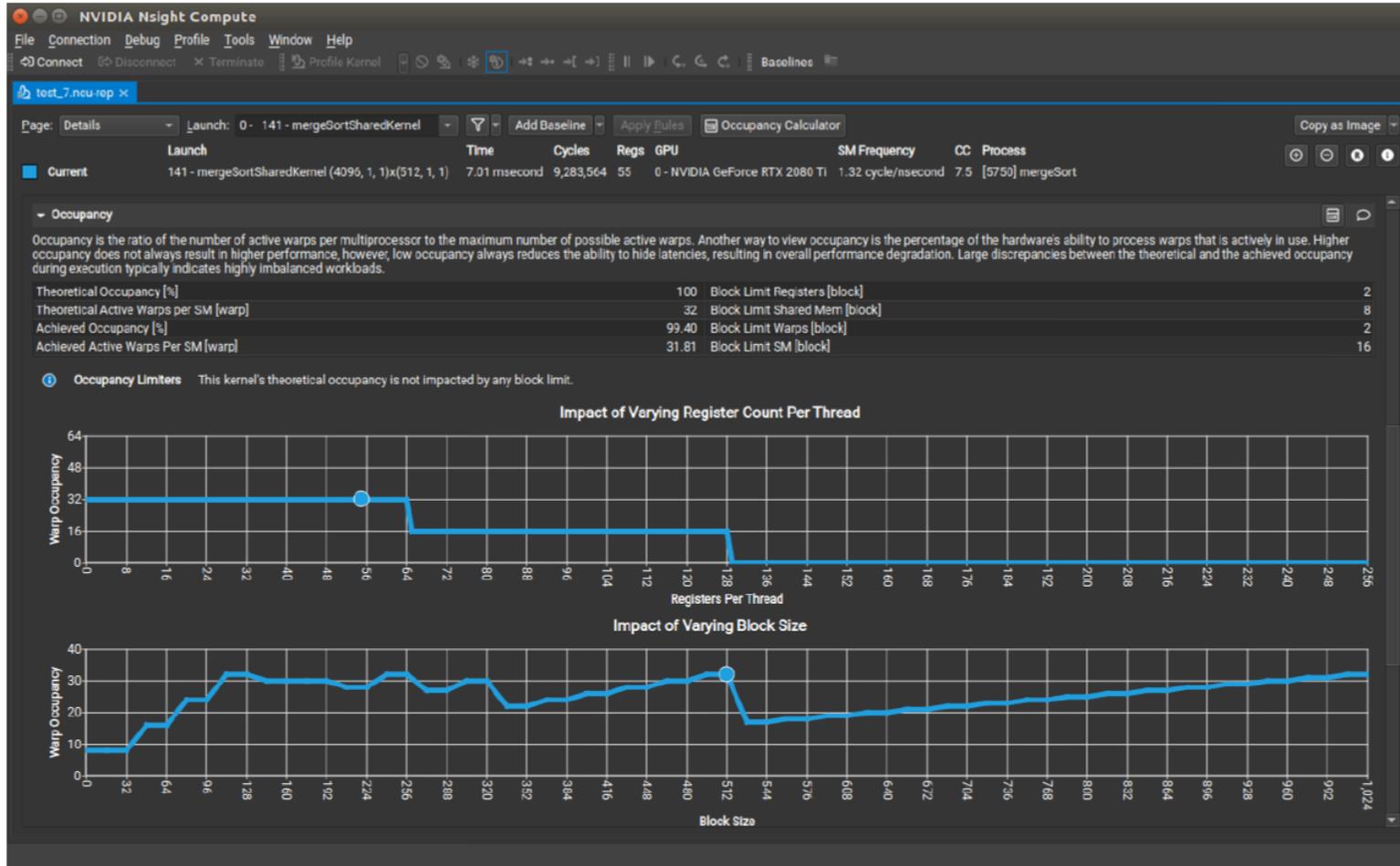
The main area is split into two panes. The left pane shows the source code for "tea_leaf_ppcg.cuknl". The code includes a function `device_tea_leaf_ppcg_solve_update_r` that takes `kernel_info_t kernel_info` and several constant pointers (`rtemp`, `Kx`, `Ky`, `sd`) as arguments. The function body includes a loop and a calculation of a constant `result` based on the input pointers. Line 165 is highlighted in green.

The right pane shows the corresponding assembly code for the same kernel. The assembly instructions are listed with their addresses and sources, such as `IADD3 R5, R3, 0x1, R2`, `MOV R20, 0x8`, `IMAD R21, R3, R2, R0`, and `LDG.E.64.CONSTANT.SYS R16, [R16]`. The assembly is also highlighted in green to show correlation with the source code.

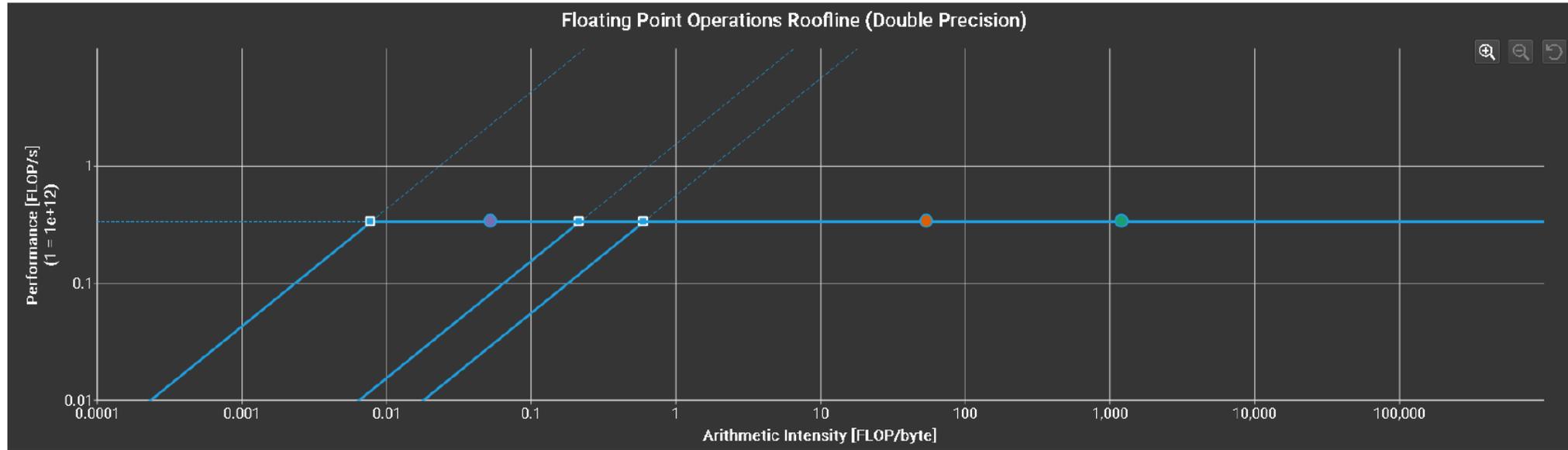
Occupancy Calculator

Model hardware usage and identify limiters

- Model theoretical hardware usage
- Understand limitations from hardware vs. kernel parameters
- Configure model to vary HW and kernel parameters
- Opened from an existing report or as a new activity



Hierarchical Roofline



- Visualize multiple levels of the memory hierarchy
- Identify bottlenecks caused by memory limitations
- Determine how modifying algorithms may (or may not) impact performance

Sections/Rules Info

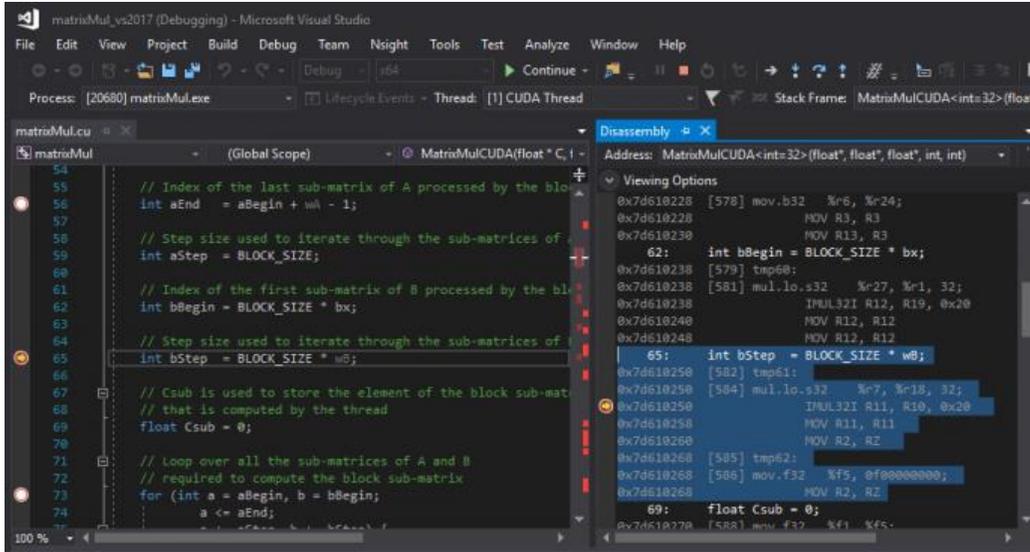
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Enter filter

Name	Priority	Description
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPU Speed Of Light Roofline Chart (1)	11	High-level overview of the utilization for comput...
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPU Speed Of Light Hierarchical Roofline Chart (Half Precision)	12	High-level overview of the utilization for comput...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPU Speed Of Light Hierarchical Roofline Chart (Single Precision)	12	High-level overview of the utilization for comput...
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Developer Tools

Debuggers: cuda-gdb, Nsight Visual Studio Edition



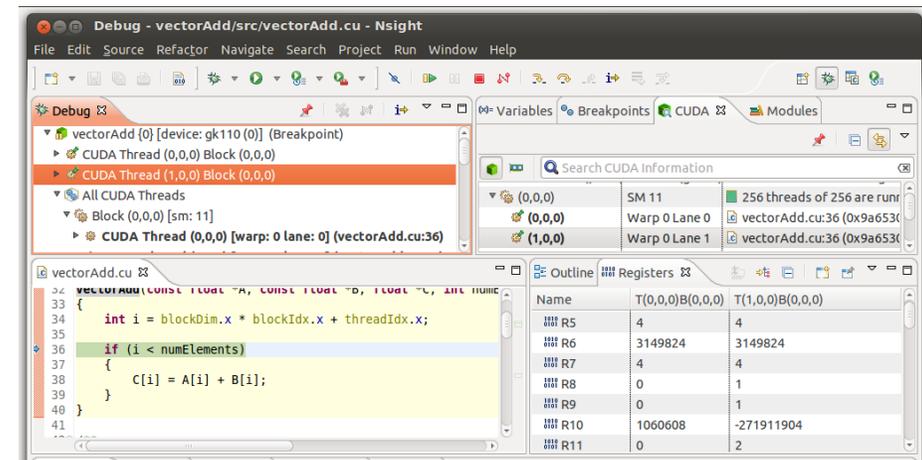
Profilers: Nsight Systems, Nsight Compute, CUPTI, NVIDIA Tools eXtension (NVTX)



Correctness Checker: Compute Sanitizer

```
$ compute-sanitizer --leak-check full memcheck_demo
===== COMPUTE-SANITIZER
Mallocing memory
Running unaligned_kernel
Ran unaligned_kernel: no error
Sync: no error
Running out_of_bounds_kernel
Ran out_of_bounds_kernel: no error
Sync: no error
===== Invalid __global__ write of size 4 bytes
===== at 0x60 in memcheck_demo.cu:6:unaligned_kernel(void)
===== by thread (0,0,0) in block (0,0,0)
===== Address 0x400100001 is misaligned
```

IDE integrations: Nsight Eclipse Edition, Nsight Visual Studio Edition, Nsight Visual Studio Code Edition



Compute Debuggers

Debug GPU kernels running on device

■ CUDA GDB

- CPU + GPU CUDA kernel debugger
- Supports stepping, breakpoints, in-line functions, variable inspection etc...
- Built on GDB and uses many of the same CLI commands
- Local/Remote connection support

■ Nsight Visual Studio Edition

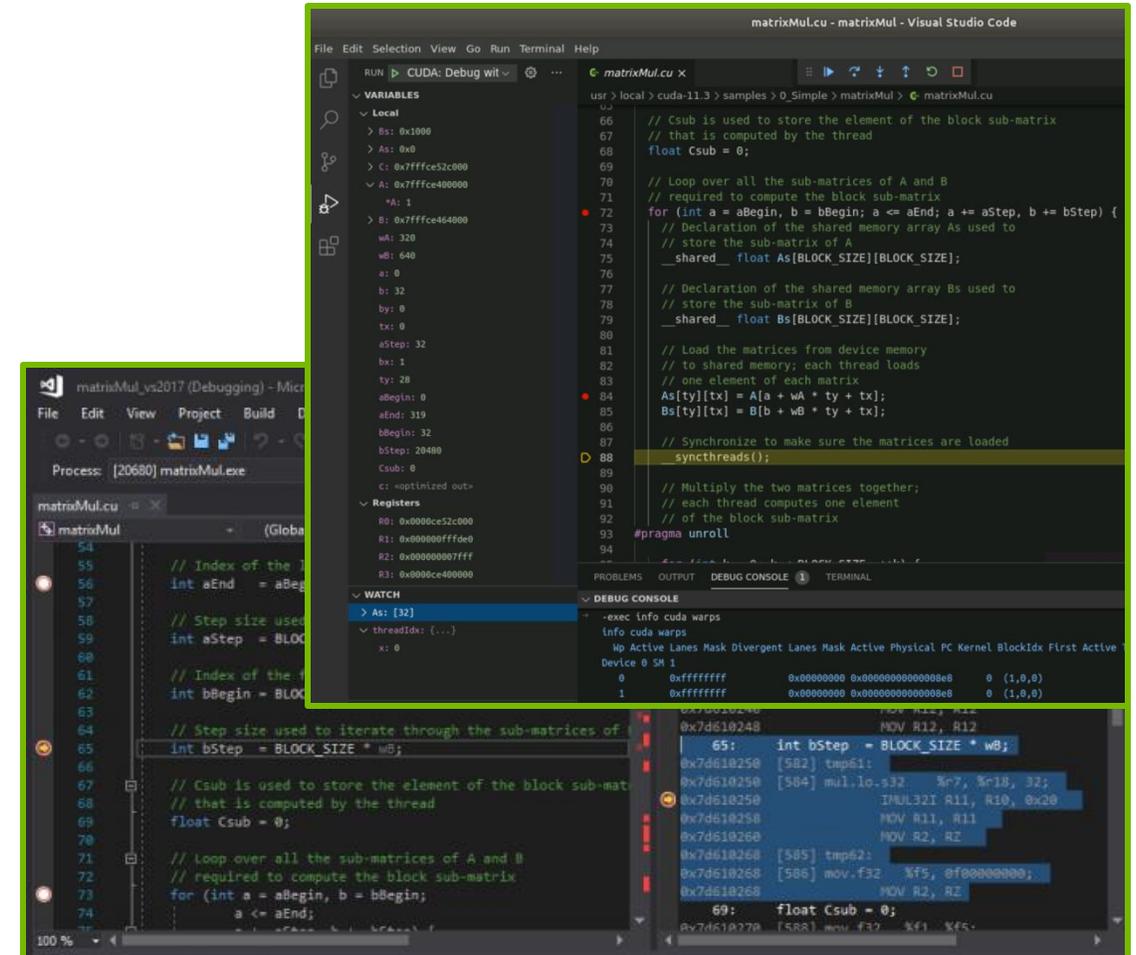
- IDE integration for Visual Studio
- Build and Debug CPU+GPU code from Visual Studio

■ Nsight Visual Studio Code Edition

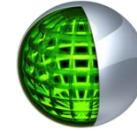
- New IDE integration for VS Code
- Build and Debug CPU+GPU code from Visual Studio Code
- Remotely target Linux targets from Windows or Linux

■ Nsight Eclipse Edition

- IDE integration for Eclipse
- Build and Debug CPU+GPU code from Eclipse

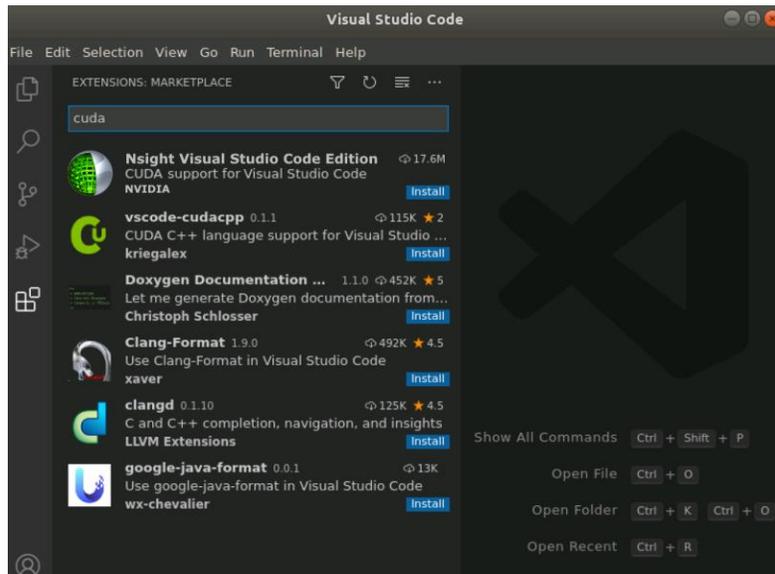


Nsight Visual Studio Code Edition



Visual Studio Code extensions that provides:

- CUDA code syntax highlighting
- CUDA code completion
- Build warning/errors
- Debug CPU & GPU code
- Remote connection support via SSH
- Available on the VS Code Marketplace now!



The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code interface during a CUDA debug session. Several panels are highlighted with green callouts:

- Variables view:** Shows local variables like 'Bs', 'As', 'A', 'wA', 'wB', 'a', 'b', 'tx', 'aStep', 'bx', 'ty', 'aBegin', 'aEnd', 'bBegin', 'bStep', and 'Csub'.
- CPU & GPU registers:** Shows registers R0, R1, and R2.
- Watch CPU & GPU vars:** Shows a watch point for 'As: [32]'.
- Session status:** Shows the current session status.
- Exec debugger commands:** Shows the 'DEBUG CONSOLE' with the command '-exec info cuda warps' and its output.
- CUDA Call Stack:** Shows the call stack for the current thread, including 'MatrixMulCUDA-32', 'matrixMul', 'cuda-EvtHandlr', and 'matrixMul'.
- CUDA focus:** Shows the current thread focus: 'CUDA: sm 1 warp 28 lane 0'.

The main editor shows the source code for 'matrixMul.cu' with a breakpoint at line 88. The status bar at the bottom indicates 'Ln 88, Col 1 Spaces: 2 UTF-8 LF CUDA C++ CUDA: sm 1 warp 28 lane 0'.

<https://developer.nvidia.com/nsight-visual-studio-code-edition>

Compute Sanitizer

Automatically Scan for Bugs and Memory Issues

- Compute Sanitizer checks correctness issues via sub-tools:
 - **Memcheck** – Memory access error and leak detection tool.
 - **Racecheck** – Shared memory data access hazard detection tool.
 - **Initcheck** – Uninitialized device global memory access detection tool.
 - **Synccheck** – Thread synchronization hazard detection tool.

<https://github.com/NVIDIA/compute-sanitizer-samples>

```
$ make run_memcheck
/usr/local/cuda/compute-sanitizer/compute-sanitizer --destroy-on-device-error kernel memcheck_demo
===== COMPUTE-SANITIZER
Mallocing memory
===== Invalid __global__ write of size 4 bytes
=====   at 0x70 in unaligned_kernel()
=====   by thread (0,0,0) in block (0,0,0)
=====   Address 0x7f671ac00001 is misaligned
=====   and is inside the nearest allocation at 0x7fb654c00000 of size 4 bytes
=====   Saved host backtrace up to driver entry point at kernel launch time
=====   Host Frame: [0x2774ec]
=====           in /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libcuda.so.1
=====   Host Frame: __cudart803 [0xfccb]
=====           in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
=====   Host Frame: cudaLaunchKernel [0x6a578]
=====           in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
=====   Host Frame: cudaError_cudaLaunchKernel<char>(char const*, dim3, dim3, void**, unsigned
=====           in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
=====   Host Frame: __device_stub_Z16unaligned_kernelv() [0xb22e]
=====           in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
=====   Host Frame: unaligned_kernel() [0xb28c]
=====           in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
=====   Host Frame: run_unaligned() [0xaf55]
=====           in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
=====   Host Frame: main [0xb0e2]
=====           in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
=====   Host Frame: ../sysdeps/nptl/libc_start_call_main.h:58: __libc_start_call_main [0x2dfd0]
=====           in /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
```

Compute Sanitizer

Reading a Memcheck Example Report

```
===== Invalid __global__ write of size 4 bytes
===== at 0xb0
===== by thread
===== Address 0x87654320 is out of bounds
=====
===== Device and host backtraces
===== Device Frame:/home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo.cu:44:out_of_bounds_kernel() [0x30]
===== Saved host backtrace up to driver entry point at kernel launch time
===== Host Frame: [0x2774ec]
===== in /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libcuda.so.1
===== Host Frame:__cudart803 [0xfccb]
===== in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
===== Host Frame:cudaLaunchKernel [0x6a578]
===== in /home/cuda/github/compute-sanitizer-samples/Memcheck/memcheck_demo
```

Address space Type of access Access size

Access location

Faulty thread

Faulty address and nearest allocation

Device and host backtraces

Other Resources

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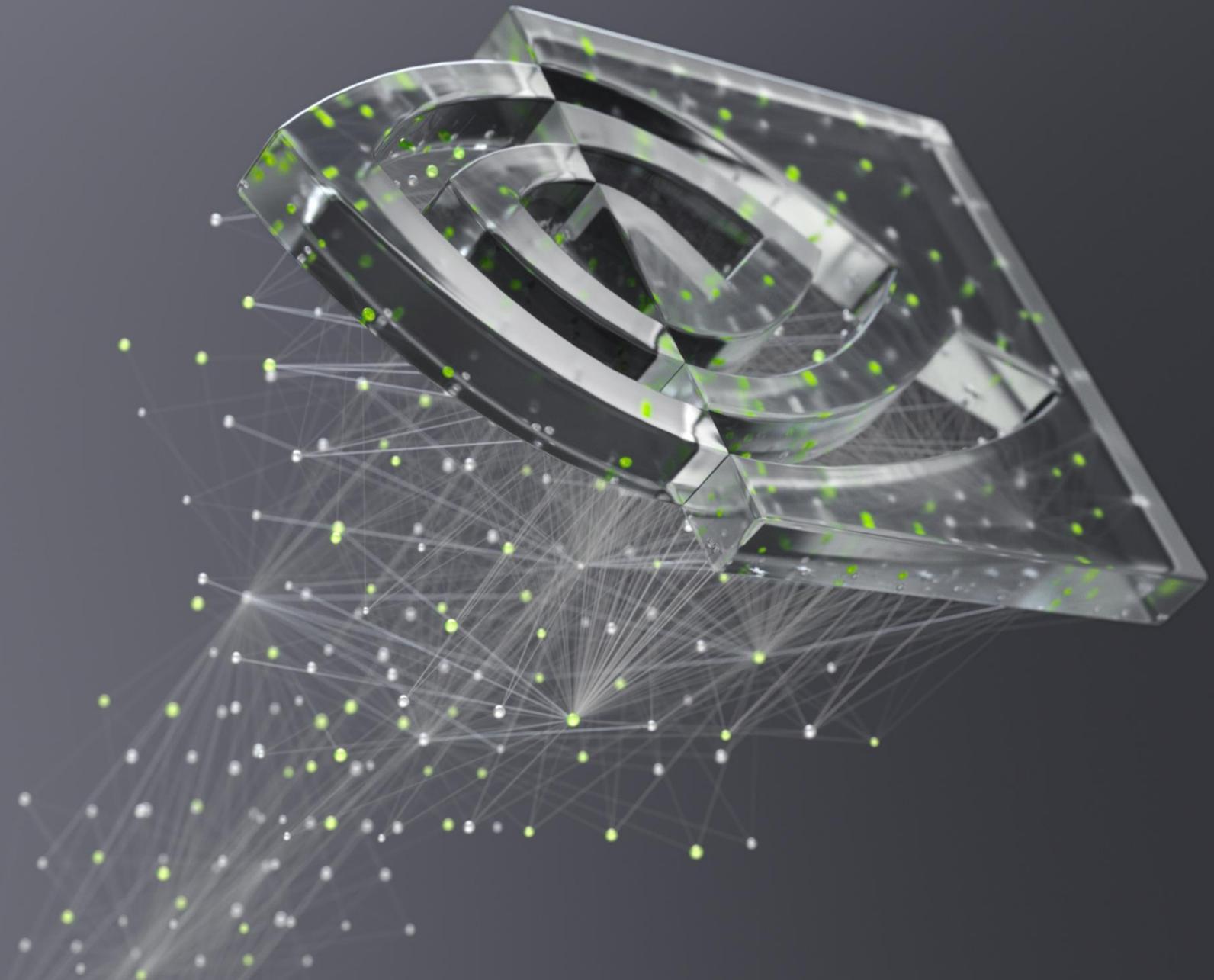
Other digital GTC talks of interest:

[S21351](#): Scaling the Transformer Model Implementation in PyTorch Across Multiple Nodes

[S21547](#): Rebalancing the Load: Profile-Guided Optimization of the NAMD Molecular Dynamics Program for Modern GPUs using Nsight Systems

S21771: Optimizing CUDA Kernels in HPC Simulation and Visualization Codes using Nsight Compute

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