FUN3D v13.4 Training Session 20: Running on GPU Systems

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Learning Goals

What we will cover

- Some GPU basics
- Running across multiple GPUs
- FUN3D performance studies
- Supported options
- Inputs
- Trial hardware





- With the end of Moore's Law and increasing power constraints in the data center, hardware is trending towards high concurrency (parallelism) to achieve further performance: we are in a paradigm shift towards *many-core* architectures
- Graphics processing units, or GPUs, offer extremely high concurrency and have become increasingly common on large HPC systems
 - The most powerful system in the world and 5 of the top 10 rely on GPUs
- GPUs can be used to accelerate computationally-intensive kernels
- The NVIDIA Volta V100 offers ~900 GB/s memory bandwidth
 - Most large-scale science codes are memory-bound, so this a critical feature
 - However, there is generally far less memory available than with a typical CPU: Volta V100 comes with 32 GB





- Common high-level languages such as Fortran, C, C++ cannot be used directly on GPUs
- Many programming models exist; some may be more appropriate/useful than others depending on the application
 - OpenACC, OpenMP (compiler directives)
 - CUDA Fortran (Portland Group)
 - CUDA C/C++, PTX (NVIDIA)
 - Kokkos (Sandia National Laboratory)
- We have explored each of these models over the past 7-8 years and currently use CUDA C/C++
 - Highly flexible, low-level control; essential for achieving performance of complex unstructured-grid kernels





- For FUN3D, we recommend NVIDIA Pascal P100 or Volta V100 hardware
 - Critical hardware features important to FUN3D performance introduced in these generations
 - NVIDIA Kepler K20/K40/K80 will outperform CPUs of that era, but not more recent processors
- GPUs still require a CPU, or host, to run the OS, applications, etc
 - Data movement between the CPU and GPU can be highly detrimental to performance
 - The GPU option in FUN3D uses the CPU to route all kernels to the GPU during execution with essentially no host/device data movement
- It is increasingly common to find multiple GPUs attached to a single CPU in new systems
 - Amortize the cost of much of the node infrastructure over multiple devices
 - Xeon-based systems often offer 4 GPUs per host; IBM Power systems offer 4 or 6; NVIDIA DGX systems offer as many as 16 GPUs per host





ORNL Summit Node

~40 Teraflops



Typical x86 Node

~1 Teraflop



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Running Across Multiple GPUs

- The current approach for FUN3D places a single MPI rank on a CPU core targeted for a single GPU
 - That CPU core will simply babysit the GPU doing all of the work
 - So a 40-core Skylake host may only have 4 MPI ranks spread across 4 CPU cores if 4 GPUs are available on the node; all other CPU cores idle
 - Consult your MPI documentation for CPU binding strategies
- With multiple GPUs per CPU, the job launcher may automatically assign GPUs to different MPI ranks, or it may not
 - Speak with your system administrator
 - If not automatically assigned, you will have to tell FUN3D to do it
- A CUDA-enabled MPI installation is preferred
 - This allows MPI calls to recognize GPU memory addresses
 - Ideally, this will enable MPI messages to route directly between GPUs without having to stage through host memory; however, this depends on other aspects of your software stack and hardware – again, speak with your system administrator
 - FUN3D also offers optimized host-based MPI calls with only a minor performance hit





FUN3D Performance Studies



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• Weak scaling study on Summit shows ~30x speedup at scale



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Status and Supported Options

- Not all of FUN3D has been ported to the GPU at this time, but rather the most commonly-used options
- Did not make the v13.4 release, but looking for early adopters to try and help identify gaps/issues
 - We will provide you with an additional library to build FUN3D against that contains all of the necessary FUN3D CUDA kernels
- Approximately 100 kernels have been ported to enable compressible perfect gas simulations including SA-based RANS, URANS, and DES variants
- Supported options
 - Roe FDS
 - Mixed element grids only; use '-mixed' CLO if using a tetrahedral grid
 - h-van Albada, Barth limiters
 - Boundary conditions: 3000, 4000 (fixed wall temperature and adiabatic), 5000, 6662, 7011; specified surface velocities
 - All visualization options are available, but are performed on the host: frequent use will limit performance
 - Other features could be added upon request
- Ask if an option is available before attempting to use



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Early GPU Applications

Computations Performed on Titan at the Oak Ridge Leadership Computing Facility



Supersonic Retropropulsion

AIAA High-Lift Workshop

Inputs and Default Settings





Launching MPI Jobs

- Syntax used to launch MPI jobs with GPU support varies by system
 - Manual setting of environment variables often necessary, especially for leveraging CUDA-aware MPI implementations
 - May need to bind to different network cards
 - May need explicit –hostfile \$PBS_NODEFILE
 - Consult system documentation or administrator; feel free to contact us for help too

Cray XK7

IBM POWER system with Spectrum MPI, Xeon-based cluster with OpenMPI mpirun -np 16 -npersocket 2 --bind-to core ./a.out







Trial Hardware

- Most organizations probably do not have the hardware necessary to explore GPU-enabled FUN3D
- See NVIDIA representative available here on-site
- Speak with your favorite vendor about loaner options or remote login opportunities on trial systems
- Generally very difficult to receive approval for cloud-based services; work must be under a government contract and may still be a challenge
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory: Contact Suzy Tichenor, Director, HPC Industrial Partnerships Program, tichenorsp@ornl.gov
- Consult with Langley Software Release Authority for IT restrictions relevant to your Software Usage Agreement: Bonnie Lumanog, b.lumanog@nasa.gov





What We Learned

- GPU basics
- FUN3D performance
- Supported options and execution instructions
- Trial hardware opportunities

Looking for early adopters!

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