Subject: Re: GPULIB troubleshoot Posted by lecacheux.alain on Mon, 25 Jun 2012 11:49:29 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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On 25 juin, 13:32, David Grier <david.gr...@nyu.edu> wrote:
> On 6/25/12 4:27 AM, alx wrote:
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>> This message is intended to afficionados of GPULIB (in particular
   Michael Galloy...)
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>> I was successfully using a Tesla C1060 over several monthes on some
>> workstation running Windows XP 64 bits and IDL8.0. Very successfully.
>> Recently, I upgraded the same machine to Windows 7 64 bits and IDL8.2,
>> with the following unsatisfying result:
>> IDL> print,!version
>> { x86 64 Win32 Windows Microsoft Windows 8.2 Apr 10 2012
                                                                  64
>> 64}
>
>> IDL> gpuinit,0, /HARDWARE, ERROR=err, /VERBOSE
>> Welcome to GPULib 1.4.4 (Revision: 2107)
>> % GPUINIT: using hardware
>> Graphics card: Tesla C1060, compute capability: 1.3, memory: 4040 MB
>> available, 4095 MB total
>> Checking GPU memory allocation...no errors
>> IDL> a = gpuputarr(findgen(10), ERROR=err) & print,err
>> IDL> b = gpuputarr(findgen(10), ERROR=err) & print,err
>>
   IDL> c = gpumult(a,b,LHS=c, ERROR=err) & print,err
>>
>> The c GPU variable is created, but is in error
>
>> IDL> print, gpugetarr(c,ERROR=err) & print,err
    1.43493e-042 1.73472e-018
                                  0.000000 7.34684e-040
                                                            0.000000
>> 0.000000
               0.000000 6.01853e-036
                                         0.000000 2.52435e-029
>>
>> Does someone have an explanation?
>> alain.
> I see two possible issues
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  1. It appears that c is declared to be the LHS (left-hand side) of
>
     the gpumult() call without first having being allocated.
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     Have you tried getting gpumult to allocate the necessary GPU
>
     variable?
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>
     IDL> c = gpumult(a, b, ERROR=err) & print, err
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>
     You also might allocate the variable explicitly:
>
     IDL> c = gpufltarr(10)
>
     IDL> c = gpumult(a, b, LHS = c)
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>
  2. Did you rebuild GPULib when you upgraded your OS and IDL
     installation? I've forgotten to rebuild GPULib on
>
     my linux machines after upgrades and have had strange results.
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> TTFN,
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> David
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Regarding issue 1: preallocation statement was missed in the message, but was done in actual processing.

Regarding issue 2: GPUlib cannot be rebuilt (from my side), since the binary DLL (GPUlib.1.4.4) file is distributed without any sources. I forgot to say that, when upgrading OS and IDL, I kept same NVIDIA graphics driver and CUDA version than before... So, I do not think that rebuilding the library would be mandatory.

Thanks anyway for the tips.

alain.