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# **GPU Coder Product Description**

Generate CUDA code for NVIDIA GPUs

GPU Coder<sup>™</sup> generates optimized CUDA<sup>®</sup> code from MATLAB<sup>®</sup> code and Simulink<sup>®</sup> models. The generated code includes CUDA kernels for parallelizable parts of your deep learning, embedded vision, and signal processing algorithms. For high performance, the generated code calls optimized NVIDIA<sup>®</sup> CUDA libraries, including TensorRT, cuDNN, cuFFT, cuSolver, and cuBLAS. The code can be integrated into your project as source code, static libraries, or dynamic libraries, and it can be compiled for desktops, servers, and GPUs embedded on NVIDIA Jetson<sup>®</sup>, NVIDIA DRIVE<sup>®</sup>, and other platforms. You can use the generated CUDA within MATLAB to accelerate deep learning networks and other computationally intensive portions of your algorithm. GPU Coder lets you incorporate handwritten CUDA code into your algorithms and into the generated code.

When used with Embedded Coder<sup>®</sup>, GPU Coder lets you verify the numerical behavior of the generated code via software-in-the-loop (SIL) and processor-in-the-loop (PIL) testing.

# **Installing Prerequisite Products**

To use GPU Coder for CUDA code generation, you must install and setup the following products. For setup instructions , see "Setting Up the Prerequisite Products" on page 1-7.

# **MathWorks Products and Support Packages**

- MATLAB (required).
- MATLAB Coder<sup>™</sup> (required).
- Parallel Computing Toolbox<sup>™</sup> (required).
- Simulink (required for generating code from Simulink models).
- Computer Vision Toolbox<sup>™</sup> (recommended).
- Deep Learning Toolbox<sup>™</sup> (required for deep learning).
- Embedded Coder (recommended).
- Image Processing Toolbox<sup>™</sup> (recommended).
- Simulink Coder (required for generating code from Simulink models).
- GPU Coder Interface for Deep Learning Libraries support package (required for deep learning).
- MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms (required for deployment to embedded targets such as NVIDIA Jetson and Drive).

For instructions on installing MathWorks<sup>®</sup> products, see the MATLAB installation documentation for your platform. If you have installed MATLAB and want to check which other MathWorks products are installed, enter ver in the MATLAB Command Window. To install the support packages, use Add-On Explorer in MATLAB.

If MATLAB is installed on a path that contains non 7-bit ASCII characters, such as Japanese characters, GPU Coder does not work because it cannot locate code generation library functions.

# **Third-Party Hardware**

• NVIDIA GPU enabled for CUDA with a compatible graphics driver. For more information, see CUDA GPUs (NVIDIA).

To see the CUDA compute capability requirements for code generation, consult the following table.

Target	Compute Capability
CUDA MEX	See "GPU Computing Requirements".
Source code, static or dynamic library, and executables	3.2 or higher.
Deep learning applications in 8-bit integer precision	6.1, 7.0 or higher.
Deep learning applications in half-precision (16-bit floating point)	5.3, 6.0, 6.2 or higher.

• ARM<sup>®</sup> Mali graphics processor.

For the Mali device, GPU Coder supports code generation for only deep learning networks.

# **Third-Party Software**

#### Required

C/C++ Compiler:

Linux®	Windows®
see Supported and Compatible Compilers.	Microsoft <sup>®</sup> Visual Studio <sup>®</sup> 2013
	Microsoft Visual Studio 2015
	Microsoft Visual Studio 2017
	Microsoft Visual Studio 2019

#### Optional

For CUDA MEX, the code generator uses the NVIDIA compiler and libraries installed with MATLAB. Standalone code (static library, dynamically linked library, or executable program) generation has additional software requirements.

Software Name	Information
CUDA Toolkit	GPU Coder has been tested with CUDA Toolkit v9.x-v11.2.
	To download the CUDA Toolkit, see CUDA Toolkit Archive (NVIDIA).
NVIDIA Nsight systems	Generate an execution profiling report for the generated CUDA code. The report provides metrics that help you analyze your application algorithms and identify opportunities to optimize performance.
	GPU Coder has been tested with Nsight 2021.1.1
NVIDIA CUDA deep neural network library (cuDNN) for NVIDIA GPUs	For the host GPU device, GPU Coder has been tested with cuDNN v8.1.1.
	To download cuDNN, see cuDNN (NVIDIA).
NVIDIA TensorRT high performance inference optimizer and runtime library	For the host GPU device, GPU Coder has been tested with TensorRT v7.2.3.
	To download TensorRT, see TensorRT (NVIDIA).
ARM Compute Library for Mali GPUs	GPU Coder has been tested with v19.05. For more information, see Compute Library
	(ARM).

Software Name	Information
Open Source Computer Vision Library (OpenCV)	Required for deep learning examples.
	For examples targeting NVIDIA GPUs on the host development computer, use OpenCV v3.1.0.
	For examples targeting ARM GPUs, use OpenCV v2.4.9 on the ARM target hardware.
	For more information, see OpenCV.

#### Tips

#### General

- On Windows, a space or special character in the path to the tools, compilers, and libraries can create issues during the build process. You must install third-party software in locations that does not contain spaces or change Windows settings to enable creation of short names for files, folders, and paths. For more information, see *Using Windows short names* solution in MATLAB Answers.
- You must download the OpenCV source and build the libraries. The examples require separate libs such as, opencv\_core.lib and opencv\_video.lib. For more information, refer to the OpenCV documentation.

#### CUDA Toolkit

- The NVIDIA nvcc compiler relies on tight integration with the host development environment, including the host compiler and runtime libraries. It is recommended that you follow the CUDA Toolkit documentation for detailed information on compiler, libraries, and other platform specific requirements. See, CUDA Toolkit Documentation (NVIDIA).
- It is recommended to select the default installation options that includes nvcc compiler, cuFFT, cuBLAS, cuSOLVER, Thrust libraries, and other tools.
- The nvcc compiler supports multiple versions of GCC and therefore you can generate CUDA code with other versions of GCC. However, there may be compatibility issues when executing the generated code from MATLAB as the C/C++ run-time libraries that are included with the MATLAB installation are compiled for only the supported version of GCC.
- The "Analyze Execution Profiles of the Generated Code" workflow depends on the nvprof tool from NVIDIA. From CUDA Toolkit v10.1 onwards, NVIDIA restricts access to performance counters to only admin users. To enable GPU performance counters to be used by all users, see the instructions provided in Permission issue with Performance Counters (NVIDIA).
- GPU Coder does not support generating CUDA code by using CUDA Toolkit version 8.

#### **Deep Learning**

• Other versions of these deep learning libraries may have compatibility issues with all the features GPU Coder supports this release.

#### NVIDIA Embedded Targets

• On the target platforms, use the JetPack or the DriveInstall software appropriate for your board to install all the libraries. For more information, see "Install and Setup Prerequisites for NVIDIA Boards" (MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms).

#### ARM Mali

- This library must be installed on the ARM target hardware. Do not use a prebuilt library because it might be incompatible with the compiler on the ARM hardware. Instead, build the library from the source code. Build the library on either your host machine or directly on the target hardware. See instructions for building the library on GitHub<sup>®</sup>. You can also find information on building the library for CPUs in this post on MATLAB answers.
- When building the Compute Library, enable OpenCL support in the build options. See the ARM Compute Library documentation for instructions. OpenCL library (v1.2 or higher) on the ARM target hardware. See the ARM Compute Library documentation for version requirements. After the build is complete, rename the build folder containing the libraries as lib. Additionally, copy the OpenCL libraries present in the build/opencl-1.2-stubs folder into the lib folder. These steps are required so that the generated makefile can locate the libraries when building the generated code on the target hardware.

### See Also

Apps GPU Coder | GPU Environment Check

Functions
codegen | coder.checkGpuInstall

**Objects** coder.gpuEnvConfig

#### **More About**

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# **Setting Up the Prerequisite Products**

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To use GPU Coder for CUDA code generation, install the products specified in "Installing Prerequisite Products" on page 1-3.

### **MEX Setup**

When generating CUDA MEX with GPU Coder, the code generator uses the NVIDIA compiler and libraries included with MATLAB. Depending on the operating system on your development computer, you only need to set up the MEX code generator.

#### Windows Systems

If you have multiple versions of Microsoft Visual Studio compilers for the C/C++ language installed on your Windows system, MATLAB selects one as the default compiler. If the selected compiler is not compatible with the version supported by GPU Coder, change the selection. For supported Microsoft Visual Studio versions, see "Installing Prerequisite Products" on page 1-3.

To change the default compiler, use the mex -setup C++ command. When you call mex -setup C++, MATLAB displays a message with links to set up a different compiler. Select a link and change the default compiler for building MEX files. The compiler that you choose remains the default until you call mex -setup C++ to select a different default. For more information, see "Change Default Compiler". The mex -setup C++ command changes only the C++ language compiler. You must also change the default compiler for C by using mex -setup C.

#### Linux Platform

MATLAB and the CUDA Toolkit support only the GCC/G++ compiler for the C/C++ language on Linux platforms. For supported GCC/G++ versions, see "Installing Prerequisite Products" on page 1-3.

#### **Environment Variables**

Standalone code (static library, dynamically linked library, or executable program) generation has additional set up requirements. GPU Coder uses environment variables to locate the necessary tools, compilers, and libraries required for code generation.

**Note** On Windows, a space or special character in the path to the tools, compilers, and libraries can create issues during the build process. You must install third-party software in locations that does not contain spaces or change Windows settings to enable creation of short names for files, folders, and paths. For more information, see *Using Windows short names* solution in MATLAB Answers.

Platform	Variable Name	Description
Windows	CUDA_PATH	Path to the CUDA Toolkit installation.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v11.2\
	NVIDIA_CUDNN	Path to the root folder of cuDNN installation. The root folder contains the bin, include, and lib subfolders.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v11.2\
	NVIDIA_TENSORRT	Path to the root folder of TensorRT installation. The root folder contains the bin, data, include, and lib subfolders.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v11.2\TensorRT\
	OPENCV_DIR	Path to the build folder of OpenCV on the host. This variable is required for building and running deep learning examples.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\opencv\build
	PATH	Path to the CUDA executables. Generally, the CUDA Toolkit installer sets this value automatically.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v11.2\bin
		Path to the cudnn.dll dynamic library. The name of this library may be different on your installation.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v11.2\bin
		Path to the nvinfer* dynamic libraries of TensorRT. The name of this library may be different on your installation.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v11.2\TensorRT\lib

Platform	Variable Name	Description
		Path to the nsys executable of NVIDIA Nsight systems.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\NVIDIA Corporation\Nsight Systems 2021.1.1\target-windows-x64
		Path to the Dynamic-link libraries (DLL) of OpenCV. This variable is required for running deep learning examples.
		For example:
		C:\Program Files\opencv\build\x64\vc15\bin
Linux	PATH	Path to the CUDA Toolkit executable.
		For example:
		/usr/local/cuda-11.2/bin
		Path to the nsys executable of NVIDIA Nsight systems.
		For example:
		/usr/local/Nsight Systems 2021.1.1/target- linux-x64
		Path to the OpenCV libraries. This variable is required for building and running deep learning examples.
		For example:
		/usr/local/lib/
		Path to the OpenCV header files. This variable is required for building deep learning examples.
		For example:
		/usr/local/include/opencv
	LD_LIBRARY_PATH	Path to the CUDA library folder.
		For example:
		/usr/local/cuda-11.2/lib64
		Path to the cuDNN library folder.
		For example:
		/usr/local/cuda-11.2/lib64/
		Path to the TensorRT library folder.
		For example:
		/usr/local/cuda-11.2/TensorRT/lib/

Platform	Variable Name	Description
		Path to the ARM Compute Library folder on the target hardware.
		For example:
		/usr/local/arm_compute/lib/
		Set LD_LIBRARY_PATH on the ARM target hardware.
	NVIDIA_CUDNN	Path to the root folder of cuDNN library installation.
		For example:
		/usr/local/cuda-11.2/
	NVIDIA_TENSORRT	Path to the root folder of TensorRT library installation.
		For example:
		/usr/local/cuda-11.2/TensorRT/
	ARM_COMPUTELIB	Path to the root folder of the ARM Compute Library installation on the ARM target hardware. Set this value on the ARM target hardware.
		For example:
		/usr/local/arm_compute

# **Verify Setup**

To verify that your development computer has all the tools and configuration needed for GPU code generation, use the coder.checkGpuInstall function. This function performs checks to verify if your environment has the all third-party tools and libraries required for GPU code generation. You must pass a coder.gpuEnvConfig object to the function. This function verifies the GPU code generation environment based on the properties specified in the given configuration object.

You can also use the equivalent GUI-based application that performs the same checks and can be launched using the command, **Check GPU Install**.

In the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
gpuEnvObj = coder.gpuEnvConfig;
gpuEnvObj.BasicCodegen = 1;
gpuEnvObj.BasicCodeexec = 1;
gpuEnvObj.DeepLibTarget = 'tensorrt';
gpuEnvObj.DeepCodeexec = 1;
gpuEnvObj.DeepCodegen = 1;
results = coder.checkGpuInstall(gpuEnvObj)
```

The output shown here is representative. Your results might differ.

Compatible GPU : PASSED CUDA Environment : PASSED Runtime : PASSED

cuFFT : PASSED cuSOLVER : PASSED cuBLAS : PASSED cuDNN Environment TensorRT Environment cuDNN Environment : PASSED : PASSED Basic Code Generation : PASSED Basic Code Execution : PASSED Deep Learning (TensorRT) Code Generation: PASSED Deep Learning (TensorRT) Code Execution: PASSED results = struct with fields: gpu: 1 cuda: 1 cudnn: 1 tensorrt: 1 basiccodegen: 1 basiccodeexec: 1

deepcodegen: 1 deepcodeexec: 1 tensorrtdatatype: 1 profiling: 0

#### See Also

Apps GPU Coder | GPU Environment Check

#### Functions

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Objects

coder.gpuEnvConfig

#### **More About**

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# The GPU Environment Check and Setup App

The **GPU Environment Check** app is an interactive tool to verify and set up the GPU code generation environment on your development computer and embedded hardware platforms such as the NVIDIA DRIVE and Jetson.

Before using this app, install and set up the required prerequisite third-party compilers, libraries, and tools. For more information, see "Installing Prerequisite Products" on page 1-3 and "Setting Up the Prerequisite Products" on page 1-7.

To start the app, in the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

gpucoderSetup

Using the GPU Environment Check app, you can:

- Verify the host development computer environment for the NVIDIA compilers and libraries necessary for GPU code generation.
- Perform basic code generation and test the execution of the generated code on the GPU device in the host computer. The tests validate code execution by comparing the results with MATLAB simulation.
- Perform deep learning code generation and execution tests on the development computer. You can target the NVIDIA cuDNN or TensorRT libraries. Requires the GPU Coder Interface for Deep Learning Libraries support package.
- Connect to embedded NVIDIA boards such as DRIVE and Jetson to perform code generation and execution tests. Requires the MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms.
- Specify the location of the libraries and generate a MATLAB script that sets up the environment variables required by GPU Coder.

**Note** The gpucoderSetup app generates a report file in the current folder. If you do not have write permissions in the current folder, before running the app, change the folder by using the MATLAB cd command.

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SIL profiling		Target	TensorRT V
		Data Type Check	FP32 <b>V</b>
ironment Checks			
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cuDNN	C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v10.1\cu		
TensorRT	C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v10.1\Te		
Tensorki	C:\Program Files\NVIDIA Corporation\NvToolsExt\		

#### **Hardware Setup**

The **Check/Setup** panel of the app provides drop-down lists that enable you to select a GPU device on the host development computer or hardware platforms such as the NVIDIA DRIVE and Jetson.

Option	Values	Description
Select Hardware	Host (for MEX)	Perform code generation, code execution, and environment checks on the host development computer. The app generates CUDA MEX to perform tests. If your development computer has multiple GPU devices, use the <b>Select GPU</b> option to select an appropriate GPU device.
	Drive	<ul> <li>Perform code generation and code execution checks on an NVIDIA DRIVE target platform.</li> <li>After installing the MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms, use the <b>Board Settings</b> panel to specify connection parameters for the target.</li> </ul>
	Jetson	Perform code generation and code execution checks on an NVIDIA Jetson target platform. After installing the MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms, use the <b>Board</b> <b>Settings</b> panel to specify connection parameters for the target.
Select GPU	GPU <idx>-<device name=""></device></idx>	Select the GPU device to run tests. When there are multiple devices, the first device is the default.This option is visible only when the Select Hardware option is set to Host (for MEX). For DRIVE or Jetson hardware, use the GPU Device ID option available in the Board Settings panel to select a specific GPU device.

# **Board Settings**

Specify the connection parameters for hardware platforms such as the NVIDIA DRIVE and Jetson. The app uses the jetson or drive functions of the MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms to create a live hardware connection object. The support package software uses an SSH connection over TCP/IP to execute commands while building and running the generated CUDA code on the DRIVE or Jetson platforms. The target platform must be on the same network as the host computer. Alternatively, you can use an Ethernet crossover cable to connect the board directly to the host computer. For more information on requirements, setup, and configuration steps for your NVIDIA boards, see "Install and Setup Prerequisites for NVIDIA Boards" (MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms).

Option	Description
Device Address	IP address or host name of the hardware.
	For example, 169.254.0.2 or gpucoder- tegratx2-name
	To use the host name, you must connect an Ethernet cable to the Ethernet port of the board. Then, use Linux commands to configure the hardware IP address and associate the host name with the IP address.
Username	Valid Linux user name for the operating system on the board.
Password	Valid password for the Linux user name specified.
Execution Timeout	Specify the time in seconds that the app waits for before validating the execution tests on the target. The default value is 10 seconds.
GPU Device ID	In a multi GPU environment such as NVIDIA Drive platforms, specify the CUDA GPU device to target.

# **Workflow Checks**

There are two types of workflow checks that you can perform by using the app:

Basic code generation and execution tests on the development computer. These tests validate code execution by comparing the results with MATLAB simulation. Basic code generation and execution tests use the following entry-point function:

```
function [yout] = gpuSimpleTest(xin)
```

```
coder.allowpcode('plain');
yout = coder.nullcopy(zeros(size(xin)));
coder.gpu.kernelfun();
for idx=1:100
   yout(idx) = xin(idx) * 2;
end
```

yout = yout + 5;

#### end

Option	Description
Generate Code	Test basic code generation and building. This test requires a valid CUDA code generation environment on the specified hardware.
Generate Code and Execute	Test basic code generation, building, and execution on the device in <b>Specified Hardware</b> . This test requires a valid CUDA code generation environment and GPU device on the specified hardware.
SIL Profiling	Perform basic SIL profiling tests on the host computer.

Deep learning code generation and execution tests on the development computer. You can target the cuDNN or TensorRT libraries. Deep learning code generation and execution tests use a pretrained network that can detect handwritten digit images. The network has been trained by using the Modified National Institute of Standards and Technology database (MNIST) data set. The following code shows the entry-point function for the deep learning code generation tests.

```
function out = dlEntryPointTest(in, ntwkfile)
```

```
net = coder.loadDeepLearningNetwork(ntwkfile);
out = net.predict(in);
```

end

Option	Description
Generate Code	Test deep learning code generation and building. This test requires a valid CUDA code generation environment on the specified hardware.
Generate Code and Execute	Test deep learning code generation, building, and execution on the device in <b>Specified Hardware</b> . This test requires a valid CUDA code generation environment and GPU device on the specified hardware.
Target	Specify the deep learning library to generate code for. Valid options are cuDNN or TensorRT.
Data Type Check	Specify the precision of the inference computations in supported layers. To perform inference in 32-bit floats, use 'FP32'. For half- precision, use 'FP16'. For 8-bit integer, use 'INT8'. Default value is 'FP32'. For compute capability requirements, see "Third- Party Hardware" on page 1-3.

# **Environment Checks**

Specify the location of the libraries for checking the CUDA development environment on your host computer. Generate a MATLAB script gpuEnvSettings.m that sets up the environment variables required by GPU Coder. For more information, see "Setting Up the Prerequisite Products" on page 1-7.

Option	Description
CUDA Installation Path	Path to the CUDA Toolkit installation.
	For example:
	/usr/local/cuda-10.1/bin
cuDNN	Path to the root folder of cuDNN library installation.
	For example:
	/usr/local/cuDNN/
TensorRT	Path to the root folder of TensorRT library installation.
	For example:
	/usr/local/TensorRT/
NVTX Library Path	Path to the nvtx libraries required for profiling. To enable this item, select <b>SIL Profiling</b> .
	On a standard CUDA Toolkit installation, this path is usually the CUDA library folder.
	For example:
	/usr/local/cuda-10.1/lib64

# **GPU Code Generation Environment Check Report**

When you select **Run Checks**, the gpucoderSetup app performs environment, code generation, and other checks based on the settings that you have selected. It then generates gpucoderSetupReport report that indicates if a test has passed and provides additional information for tests that have failed. A HTML version of the report of the same name is created in the current folder.

# **GPU Code Generation Environment Check Report**

# **Results for Host GPU : TITAN Xp**



### **ENVIRONMENT CHECKS**

# **BASIC CODE GENERATION CHECKS**

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#### DEEP LEARNING CODE GENERATION CHECKS -TensorRT

### See Also

Apps GPU Coder | GPU Environment Check

Functions
codegen | coder.checkGpuInstall

**Objects** coder.gpuEnvConfig

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# Code Generation by Using the GPU Coder App

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# **Learning Objectives**

In this tutorial, you learn how to:

- Prepare your MATLAB code for CUDA code generation by using the kernelfun pragma.
- Create and set up a GPU Coder project.
- Define function input properties.
- Check for code generation readiness and run-time issues.
- Specify code generation properties.
- Generate CUDA code by using the GPU Coder app.

# **Tutorial Prerequisites**

This tutorial requires the following products:

- MATLAB
- MATLAB Coder
- GPU Coder
- C++ compiler
- NVIDIA GPU enabled for CUDA
- CUDA Toolkit and driver
- Environment variables for the compilers and libraries. For more information, see "Environment Variables" on page 1-7.

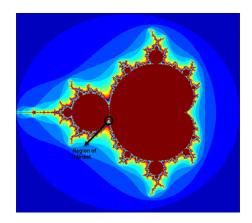
# **Example: The Mandelbrot Set**

#### Description

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 $z_{k+1} = z_k^2 + z_0, \quad k = 0, \ 1, \ \dots$ 

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For this tutorial, pick a set of limits that specify a highly zoomed part of the Mandelbrot set in the valley between the main cardioid and the p/q bulb to its left. A 1000-by-1000 grid of real parts (x) and imaginary parts (y) is created between these two limits. The Mandelbrot algorithm is then iterated at each grid location. An iteration number of 500 renders the image in full resolution.

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function count = mandelbrot_count(maxIterations,xGrid,yGrid)
% mandelbrot computation
z0 = xGrid + li*yGrid;
count = ones(size(z0));
z = z0;
for n = 0:maxIterations
    z = z.*z + z0;
    inside = abs(z)<=2;
    count = count + inside;
end
count = log(count);
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[xGrid,yGrid] = meshgrid(x,y);
%% Mandelbrot computation in MATLAB
count = mandelbrot_count(maxIterations,xGrid,yGrid);
% Show
figure(1)
imagesc(x,y,count);
colormap([jet();flipud(jet());0 0 0]);
axis off
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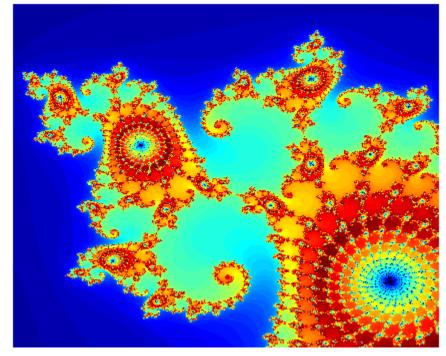
#### **Run the Original MATLAB Code**

#### **Run the Mandelbrot Example**

Before making the MATLAB version of the Mandelbrot set algorithm suitable for code generation, you can test the functionality of the original code.

- 1 Change the current MATLAB working folder to the location that contains mandelbrot\_count.m and mandelbrot\_test.m. GPU Coder places generated code in this folder. Change your current working folder if you do not have full access to this folder.
- 2 Run the mandelbrot\_test script.

The test script runs and shows the geometry of the Mandelbrot within the boundary set by the variables xlim and ylim.



#### Mandelbrot Set with MATLAB

# Prepare MATLAB Code for Code Generation

Before you generate code with GPU Coder, check for coding issues in the original MATLAB code.

#### Check for Issues at Design Time

There are two tools that help you detect code generation issues at design time:

- Code Analyzer tool
- Code generation readiness tool

The Code Analyzer is a tool incorporated into the MATLAB Editor that continuously checks your code as you enter it. The Code Analyzer reports issues and recommends modifications to maximize performance and maintainability of your code. To identify the warnings and errors specific to code generation from your MATLAB code, add the **%#codegen** directive to your MATLAB file. For more information, see Code Analyzer preferences.

**Note** The Code Analyzer does not detect all code generation issues. After eliminating the errors or warnings that the Code Analyzer detects, compile your code with GPU Coder to determine if the code has other compliance issues.

The code generation readiness tool screens the MATLAB code for features and functions that are not supported for code generation. This tool provides a report that lists issues and recommendations for

making the MATLAB code suitable for code generation. You can access the code generation readiness tool in these ways:

- In the current folder browser right-click the MATLAB file that contains the entry-point function.
- At the command line by using the coder.screener function with the -gpu flag.
- In the GPU Coder app after specifying the entry-point files, the app runs the Code Analyzer and the code generation readiness tool.

#### **Check for Issues at Code Generation Time**

You can use GPU Coder to check for issues at code generation time. When GPU Coder detects errors or warnings, it generates an error report that describes the issues and provides links to the problematic MATLAB code. For more information, see "Code Generation Reports".

#### Make the MATLAB Code Suitable for Code Generation

To begin the process of making your MATLAB code suitable for code generation, use the file mandelbrot\_count.m.

- 1 Set your MATLAB current folder to the work folder that contains your files for this tutorial.
- 2 In the MATLAB Editor, open mandelbrot\_count.m. The Code Analyzer message indicator at the top right corner of the MATLAB Editor is green. The analyzer did not detect errors, warnings, or opportunities for improvement in the code.
- 3 After the function declaration, add the %#codegen directive to turn on the error checking that is specific to code generation.

function count = mandelbrot\_count(maxIterations,xGrid,yGrid) %#codegen

The Code Analyzer message indicator remains green, indicating that it has not detected any code generation issues.

4 To map the mandelbrot\_count function to a CUDA kernel, modify the original MATLAB code by placing the coder.gpu.kernelfun pragma in the body of the function.

```
function count = mandelbrot_count(maxIterations,xGrid,yGrid) %#codegen
% Add kernelfun pragma to trigger kernel creation
coder.gpu.kernelfun;
% mandelbrot computation
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inside = abs(z)<=2;
count = count + inside;
end
count = log(count);
```

If you use the coder.gpu.kernelfun pragma, GPU Coder attempts to map the computations in the function mandelbrot\_count to the GPU.

**5** Save the file. You are now ready to compile your code by using the GPU Coder app.

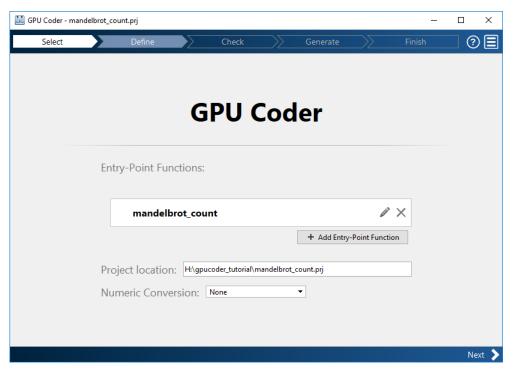
# Generate Code by Using the GPU Coder App

#### Open the GPU Coder App

On the MATLAB toolstrip **Apps** tab, under **Code Generation**, click the GPU Coder app icon. You can also open the app by typing gpucoder in the MATLAB Command Window. The app opens the **Select** source files page.

#### **Select Source Files**

1 On the Select source files page, enter or select the name of the primary function, mandelbrot\_count. The primary function is also known as the top-level or entry-point function. The app creates a project with the default name mandelbrot\_count.prj in the current folder.



2 Click Next and go to the Define Input Types step. The app analyzes the function for coding issues and code generation readiness. If the app identifies issues, it opens the Review Code Generation Readiness page where you can review and fix issues. In this example, because the app does not detect issues, it opens the Define Input Types page.

#### **Define Input Types**

The code generator must determine the data types of all the variables in the MATLAB files at compile time. Therefore, you must specify the data types of all the input variables. You can specify the input data types in one of these two ways:

- Provide a test file that calls the project entry-point functions. The GPU Coder app can infer the input argument types by running the test file.
- Enter the input types directly.

For more information about input specifications, see "Input Specification".

In this example, to define the properties of the inputs maxIterations, xGrid, and yGrid, specify the test file mandelbrot\_test.m:

1 Enter or select the test file mandelbrot\_test.m.

#### 2 Click Autodefine Input Types.

The test file mandelbrot\_test.m calls the entry-point function, mandelbrot\_count.m with the expected input types. The app infers that the input maxIterations is double(1x1) and the inputs xGrid and yGrid are double(1000x1000).

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3 Click Next go to the Check for Run-Time Issues step.

#### **Check for Run-Time Issues**

The **Check for Run-Time Issues** step generates a MEX file from your entry-point functions, runs the MEX function, and reports issues. This step is optional. However, it is a best practice to perform this step. Using this step, you can detect and fix defects that are harder to diagnose in the generated GPU code.

GPU Coder provides the option to perform GPU-specific checks at this point. When you select this option, GPU Coder generates CUDA code and a MEX file from your entry-point functions, runs the MEX function, and reports issues. Some of the GPU-specific run-time checks include:

- Checks for register spills.
- Stack size conformance checks.

**Note** There may be certain MATLAB constructs in your code that cause the **Check for Run-Time Issues** to fail CPU-specific checks but pass the GPU-specific checks.

- **1** To open the **Check for Run-Time Issues** dialog box, click the **Check for Issues** arrow.
- 2 In the Check for Run-Time Issues dialog box, specify a test file or enter code that calls the entry-point function with example inputs. For this example, use the test file mandelbrot\_test.m that you used to define the input types.
- 3 To enable GPU-specific checks, select the GPU option button. Click Check for Issues.

The app generates a MEX function. It runs the test script mandelbrot\_test replacing calls to mandelbrot\_count with calls to the generated MEX. If the app detects issues during the MEX function generation or execution, it provides warning and error messages. You can click these messages to navigate to the problematic code and fix the issue. In this example, the app does not detect issues. The MEX function has the same functionality as the original mandelbrot\_count function.

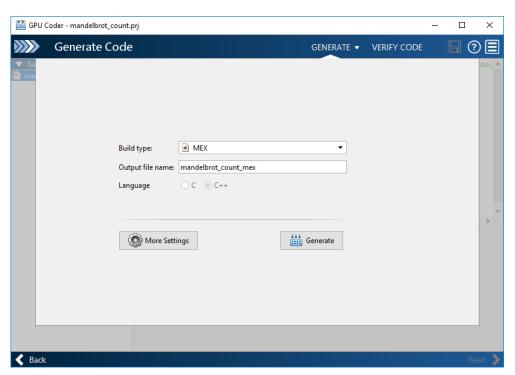
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4 Click **Next** go to the **Generate Code** step.

#### **Generate CUDA Code**

**1** To open the **Generate** dialog box, click the **Generate** arrow.



2 In the **Generate** dialog box, you can select the type of build that you want GPU Coder to perform. The available options are listed in this table.

Build Type	Description
Source code	CUDA source code to integrate with an external project.
MEX	Compiled code to run inside MATLAB.
Static Library	Binary library for static linking with an external project.
Dynamic Library	Binary library for dynamic linking with an external project.
Executable	Standalone program (requires a custom CUDA main file).

For this tutorial, set **Build type** to MEX(.mex). By generating a MEX output, you can check the correctness of the generated CUDA code from within MATLAB. The MEX build type does not require additional settings like **Toolchain** and **Hardware Board**. It also does not provide the option to generate only the source code. GPU Coder can automatically select an available CUDA toolchain as long as the "Environment Variables" on page 1-7 are set properly.

To view advanced options, select **More Settings - > GPU Code**. To the **Compiler Flags** option, add - - fmad=false. This flag, when passed to the nvcc, instructs the compiler to disable Floating-point Multiply-add (FMAD) optimization. This option is set to prevent numerical mismatch in the generated code because of architectural differences between the CPU and the GPU. For more information, see "Numerical Differences Between CPU and GPU" on page 3-4.

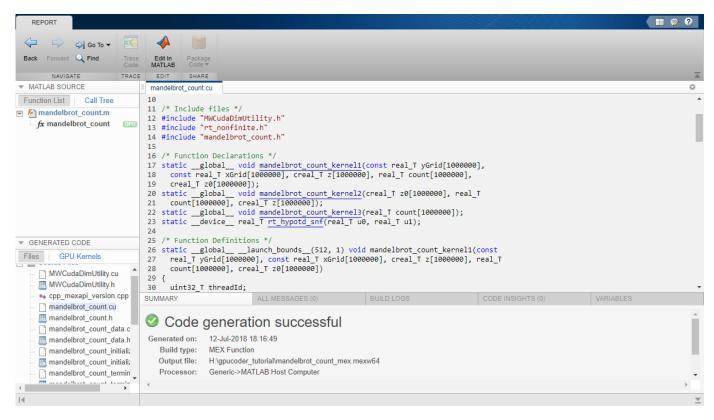
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3 Click Generate.

GPU Coder generates the MEX executable mandelbrot\_count\_mex in your working folder. The <pwd>\codegen\mex\mandelbrot\_count folder contains all other the generated files including the CUDA source (\*.cu) and header files. The GPU Coder app indicates that the code generation succeeded. It displays the source MATLAB files and generated output files on the left side of the page. On the **Variables** tab, it displays information about the MATLAB source variables. On the **Target Build Log** tab, it displays the build log, including compiler warnings and errors. By default, in the code window, the app displays the CUDA source file mandelbrot\_count.cu. To view a different file, in the **Source Code** or **Output Files** pane, click the file name.

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**4** To view the code generation report, click **View Report**. The report provides links to your MATLAB code and the generated CUDA (\*.cu) files. It also provides compile-time information for the variables and expressions in your MATLAB code. This information helps you to find sources of error and warnings. It also helps you to debug code generation issues in your code. For more information, see "Code Generation Reports".



The **GPU Kernels** section on the **Generated Code** tab provides a list of kernels created during GPU code generation. The items in this list link to the relevant source code. For example, when you click **mandelbrot\_count\_kernel1**, the code section for this kernel is shown in the code browser window.

After you review the report, you can close the **Code Generation Report** window. To view the report later, open report.mldatx in <pwd>\codegen\mex\mandelbrot\_cout\html folder.

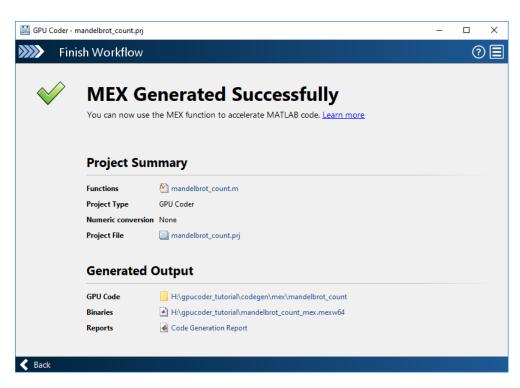
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6 In the GPU Coder app, click **Next** to open the **Finish Workflow** page.

#### **Review the Finish Workflow Page**

The **Finish Workflow** page indicates that the code generation succeeded. It provides a project summary and links to the MATLAB source files, the code generation report, and the generated output binaries. You can save the configuration parameters of the current GPU Coder project as a MATLAB script. See "Convert MATLAB Coder Project to MATLAB Script".



#### Verify Correctness of the Generated Code

To verify the correctness of the generated MEX file, see "Verify Correctness of the Generated Code" on page 3-2.

### See Also

Apps GPU Coder

#### Functions

codegen | coder.gpuConfig | coder.gpu.kernelfun | gpucoder

#### Objects

coder.gpuConfig|coder.CodeConfig|coder.EmbeddedCodeConfig

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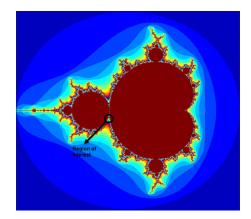
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x = linspace( xlim(1), xlim(2), gridSize );
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% Show
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#### **Run the Mandelbrot Example**

Before making the MATLAB version of the Mandelbrot set algorithm suitable for code generation, you can test the functionality of the original code.

- 1 Change the current working folder of MATLAB to the location that contains the two files you created in the previous step. GPU Coder places generated code in this folder, change your current working folder if you do not have full access to this folder.
- 2 Open the mandelbrot\_test script in the MATLAB Editor.

3

Run the test script by clicking the run button or by entering mandelbrot\_test in the MATLAB Command Window.

The test script runs and shows the geometry of the Mandelbrot within the boundary set by the variables xlim and ylim.

#### Mandelbrot Set with MATLAB

### Make the MATLAB Code Suitable for Code Generation

To begin the process of making your MATLAB code suitable for code generation, use the file mandelbrot\_count.m.

- **1** Set your MATLAB current folder to the work folder that contains your files for this tutorial.
- 2 In the MATLAB Editor, open mandelbrot\_count.m. The file opens in the MATLAB Editor. The Code Analyzer message indicator in the top right corner of the MATLAB Editor is green. The analyzer did not detect errors, warnings, or opportunities for improvement in the code.
- **3** Turn on MATLAB for code generation error checking. After the function declaration, add the **%#codegen** directive.

function count = mandelbrot\_count(maxIterations, xGrid, yGrid) %#codegen

The Code Analyzer message indicator remains green, indicating that it has not detected code generation issues.

4 To map the mandelbrot\_count function to a CUDA kernel, modify the original MATLAB code by placing the coder.gpu.kernelfun pragma outside the for-loop body.

function count = mandelbrot\_count(maxIterations, xGrid, yGrid) %#codegen % mandelbrot computation z0 = xGrid + li\*yGrid; count = ones(size(z0)); % Add Kernelfun pragma to trigger kernel creation

coder.gpu.kernelfun;

```
z = z0;
for n = 0:maxIterations
z = z.*z + z0;
inside = abs(z)<=2;
count = count + inside;
end
count = log(count);
```

When using the coder.gpu.kernelfun pragma, GPU Coder attempts to map the computations in the function mandelbrot\_count to the GPU.

5 Save the file. You are now ready to compile your code by using the command-line interface.

### **Code Generation from the Command Line**

You can use the **codegen** command to translate MATLAB functions to a CUDA compatible static or dynamic library, executable, or MEX function, instead of using the GPU Coder app.

#### **Define Input Types**

At compile time, GPU Coder must know the data types of all the inputs to the entry-point function. Therefore, if your entry-point function has inputs, you must specify its data type at the time that you compile the file with the **codegen** function.

You can generate inputs and then use the **-args** option in the **codegen** function to let GPU Coder determine the class, size, and complexity of the input parameters. To generate inputs for mandelbrot\_count function, use these commands:

```
maxIterations = 500;
gridSize = 1000;
xlim = [-0.748766713922161, -0.748766707771757];
ylim = [ 0.123640844894862, 0.123640851045266];
x = linspace( xlim(1), xlim(2), gridSize );
y = linspace( ylim(1), ylim(2), gridSize );
[xGrid,yGrid] = meshgrid( x, y );
```

Alternatively, you can specify the size, type and complexity of the inputs to the entry-point functions without generating input data by using the coder.typeof function.

```
ARGS = cell(1,1);
ARGS{1} = cell(3,1);
ARGS{1}{1} = coder.typeof(0);
ARGS{1}{2} = coder.typeof(0,[1000 1000]);
ARGS{1}{3} = coder.typeof(0,[1000 1000]);
```

#### **Build Configuration**

To configure build settings such as output file name, location, type, you have to create coder configuration objects. To create the objects, use the coder.gpuConfig function. For example, to create a coder.MexCodeConfig code generation object for use with codegen when generating a MEX function, use:

cfg = coder.gpuConfig('mex');

Other available options are:

• cfg = coder.gpuConfig('lib');, to create a code generation configuration object for use with codegen when generating a CUDA static library.

- cfg = coder.gpuConfig('dll');, to create a code generation configuration object for use with codegen when generating a CUDA dynamic library.
- cfg = coder.gpuConfig('exe');, to create a code generation configuration object for use with codegen when generating a CUDA executable.

For more information, see coder.gpuConfig.

Each configuration object comes with a set of parameters, initialized to default values. You can use dot notation to modify the value of one configuration object parameter at a time. Use this syntax:

```
configuration_object.property = value
```

You can enable the same settings as in the "Code Generation by Using the GPU Coder App" on page 2-2 by using the following command-line equivalents:

```
cfg = coder.gpuConfig('mex');
cfg.GpuConfig.CompilerFlags = '--fmad=false';
cfg.GenerateReport = true;
```

The cfg configuration object has configuration parameters that are common to MATLAB Coder and GPU Coder and parameters that are GPU Coder-specific. You can see all the GPU-specific properties available in the cfg configuration object by typing cfg.GpuConfig in the MATLAB Command Window.

```
>> cfg.GpuConfig
```

ans =

config with properties:

```
Enabled: 1

MallocMode: 'discrete'

KernelNamePrefix: ''

EnableCUBLAS: 1

EnableCUSOLVER: 1

EnableCUFFT: 1

Benchmarking: 0

SafeBuild: 0

ComputeCapability: '3.5'

CustomComputeCapability: ''

CompilerFlags: ''

StackLimitPerThread: 1024

MallocThreshold: 200

SelectCudaDevice: -1
```

The -- fmad=false flag when passed to the nvcc, instructs the compiler to disable Floating-Point Multiply-Add (FMAD) optimization. This option is set to prevent numerical mismatch in the generated code because of architectural differences in the CPU and the GPU. For more information, see "Numerical Differences Between CPU and GPU" on page 3-4.

For more information on configuration parameters that are common to MATLAB Coder and GPU Coder, see coder.CodeConfig class.

#### **Build Script**

You can create a build script mandelbrot\_codegen.m that automates the series of commands mentioned previously.

```
% GPU code generation for getting started example (mandelbrot_count.m)
%% Create configuration object of class 'coder.MexCodeConfig'.
cfg = coder.gpuConfig('mex');
cfg.GenerateReport = true;
cfg.GpuConfig.CompilerFlags = '--fmad=false';
%% Define argument types for entry-point 'mandelbrot_count'.
ARGS = cell(1,1);
ARGS{1} = cell(3,1);
ARGS{1} = cell(3,1);
ARGS{1}{1} = coder.typeof(0);
ARGS{1}{2} = coder.typeof(0,[1000 1000]);
ARGS{1}{3} = coder.typeof(0,[1000 1000]);
%% Invoke GPU Coder.
codegen -config cfg mandelbrot count -args ARGS{1}
```

The codegen command opens the file mandelbrot\_count.m and translates the MATLAB code into CUDA code.

- The report option instructs codegen to generate a code generation report that you can use to debug your MATLAB code.
- The -args option instructs codegen to compile the file mandelbrot\_count.m by using the class, size, and complexity of the input parameters *maxIterations*, *xGrid*, and *yGrid*.
- The -config option instructs codegen to use the specified configuration object for code generation.

When code generation is successful, you can view the resulting code generation report by clicking **View Report** in the MATLAB Command Window.

```
>> mandelbrot_codegen
Code generation successful: View report
```

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## Verify Correctness of the Generated Code

To verify correctness of the generated MEX file, see "Verify Correctness of the Generated Code" on page 3-2.

### See Also

Apps GPU Coder

### Functions

codegen | coder.gpuConfig | coder.gpu.kernelfun | gpucoder

### Objects

coder.gpuConfig|coder.CodeConfig|coder.EmbeddedCodeConfig

- "GPU Programming Paradigm" on page 4-2
- "Installing Prerequisite Products" on page 1-3
- "Setting Up the Prerequisite Products" on page 1-7
- "GPU Code Generation Workflow" on page 4-3
- "The GPU Environment Check and Setup App" on page 1-12

### **GPU Code Generation: The Mandelbrot Set**

This example shows how to generate CUDA® code from a simple MATLAB® function by using GPU Coder<sup>m</sup>. A Mandelbrot set implementation by using standard MATLAB commands acts as the entrypoint function. This example uses the **codegen** command to generate a MEX function that runs on the GPU. You can run the MEX function to check for run-time errors.

#### **Third-Party Prerequisites**

#### Required

This example generates CUDA MEX and has the following third-party requirements.

• CUDA enabled NVIDIA® GPU and compatible driver.

#### Optional

For non-MEX builds such as static, dynamic libraries or executables, this example has the following additional requirements.

- NVIDIA toolkit.
- Environment variables for the compilers and libraries. For more information, see "Third-Party Hardware" on page 1-3 and "Setting Up the Prerequisite Products" on page 1-7.

#### Verify GPU Environment

To verify that the compilers and libraries necessary for running this example are set up correctly, use the coder.checkGpuInstall function.

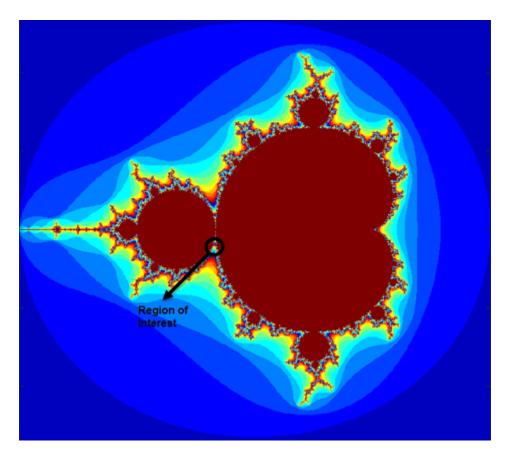
```
envCfg = coder.gpuEnvConfig('host');
envCfg.BasicCodegen = 1;
envCfg.Quiet = 1;
coder.checkGpuInstall(envCfg);
```

#### **Mandelbrot Set**

The Mandelbrot set is the region in the complex plane consisting of the values  $\approx 0$  for which the trajectories defined by

$$z_{k+1} = z_k^2 + z_0, k = 0, 1, \dots$$

remain bounded at  $k \to \infty$ . The overall geometry of the Mandelbrot set is shown in the figure. This view does not have the resolution to show the richly detailed structure of the fringe just outside the boundary of the set.



#### **Define Input Regions**

Pick a set of limits that specify a highly zoomed part of the Mandelbrot set in the valley between the main cardioid and the p/q bulb to its left. A 1000×1000 grid of  $Re\{x\}$  and  $Im\{y\}$  is created between these two limits. The Mandelbrot algorithm is then iterated at each grid location. An iteration number of 500 is enough to render the image in full resolution.

```
maxIterations = 500;
gridSize = 1000;
xlim = [-0.748766713922161, -0.748766707771757];
ylim = [ 0.123640844894862, 0.123640851045266];
x = linspace( xlim(1), xlim(2), gridSize );
y = linspace( ylim(1), ylim(2), gridSize );
[xGrid,yGrid] = meshgrid( x, y );
```

#### **The Mandelbrot Entry-Point Function**

The mandelbrot\_count.m entry-point function contains a vectorized implementation of the Mandelbrot set based on the code provided in the e-book *Experiments with MATLAB* by Cleve Moler. The %#codegen directive turns on MATLAB for code generation error checking. When GPU Coder encounters the coder.gpu.kernelfun pragma, it attempts to parallelize all the computation within this function, and then maps it to the GPU.

type mandelbrot\_count

```
function count = mandelbrot_count(maxIterations, xGrid, yGrid) %#codegen
% Copyright 2016-2019 The MathWorks, Inc.
z0 = xGrid + 1i*yGrid;
count = ones(size(z0));
% Map computation to GPU.
coder.gpu.kernelfun;
z = z0;
for n = 0:maxIterations
    z = z.*z + z0;
    inside = abs(z)<=2;
    count = count + inside;
end
count = log(count);
```

#### Test the Functionality of mandelbrot\_count

Run the mandelbrot\_count function with the xGrid, yGrid values that were previously generated, and then plot the results.

```
count = mandelbrot_count(maxIterations, xGrid, yGrid);
figure(2), imagesc( x, y, count );
colormap( [jet();flipud( jet() );0 0 0] );
title('Mandelbrot Set on MATLAB');
axis off
```

#### Mandelbrot Set on MATLAB

#### **Generate CUDA MEX for the Function**

To generate CUDA MEX for the mandelbrot\_count function, create a GPU code configuration object and run the codegen command. Because of architectural differences between the CPU and GPU, numeric verification does not always match. This scenario is true when using the single data type in your MATLAB code and performing accumulation operations on these single data type values. Like this Mandelbrot example even the double data types cause numeric errors. One reason for this mismatch is that the GPU floating-point units use fused Floating-point Multiply-Add (FMAD) instructions and the CPU does not use these instructions. The fmad=false option that is passed to the nvcc compiler turns off this FMAD optimization.

```
cfg = coder.gpuConfig('mex');
cfg.GpuConfig.CompilerFlags = '--fmad=false';
codegen -config cfg -args {maxIterations,xGrid,yGrid} mandelbrot_count
```

Code generation successful: To view the report, open('codegen/mex/mandelbrot\_count/html/report.m'

#### **Run the MEX Function**

After generating a MEX function, verify that it has the same functionality as the original MATLAB entry-point function. Run the generated mandelbrot\_count\_mex and plot the results.

countGPU = mandelbrot\_count\_mex(maxIterations, xGrid, yGrid);

figure(2), imagesc( x, y, countGPU ); colormap( [jet();flipud( jet() );0 0 0] );

```
title('Mandelbrot Set on GPU');
axis off
```

### Mandelbrot Set on GPU

### See Also

#### Apps GPU Coder

# Functions codegen | coder.gpuConfig | coder.gpu.kernelfun | gpucoder

## Objects coder.gpuConfig|coder.CodeConfig|coder.EmbeddedCodeConfig

- "GPU Programming Paradigm" on page 4-2
- "Installing Prerequisite Products" on page 1-3
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- "GPU Code Generation Workflow" on page 4-3
- "The GPU Environment Check and Setup App" on page 1-12

## **Debug CUDA MEX Functions**

You can debug your generated CUDA MEX function using MATLAB or a CUDA debugger. To debug your CUDA MEX functions in MATLAB, use the disp function to inspect the contents of your MEX function variables. You cannot use save to debug MEX function variables because code generation does not support it. Code generation does not support declaration of save as extrinsic. You can also use the fprintf function to inspect the contents of your MEX function variables.

### **Debug CUDA MEX Functions by Using a Debugger**

This example shows how to debug CUDA MEX functions using a debugger.

Consider an entry-point function foo that squares each element of a matrix x and scales the result by a factor of 1/(i+j), where i, j are the row and column indexes.

```
function [y] = foo(x) %#codegen
y = coder.nullcopy(zeros(size(x)));
coder.gpu.kernelfun();
for i = 1:size(x,1)
    for j = 1:size(x,2)
        y(i,j)=(x(i,j)^2)/(i+j);
    end
end
end
```

**2** To build a CUDA MEX function with debugging symbols included, set the MEX configuration object property EnableDebugging to 1.

```
cfg = coder.gpuConfig('mex');
cfg.EnableDebugging = 1;
input = rand(32);
codegen -config cfg -args {input} foo
```

Alternatively, you can debug your MEX function by executing this command:

codegen -g -args {input} foo

You can debug the generated CUDA MEX (foo\_mex) by using the Visual Studio CUDA debugger on Windows or the CUDA GNU<sup>®</sup> debugger cuda-gdb on Linux systems.

### **Debug on Microsoft Windows Platforms**

This example shows the general steps to debug foo\_mex by using the NVIDIA Nsight Visual Studio Edition CUDA Debugger. For specific information about using Nsight VSE, refer to NVIDIA documentation.

- **1** After generating the CUDA MEX function, start Visual Studio. Do not exit your MATLAB session.
- 2 Attach the debugger to the running MATLAB process by selecting Debug > Attach to Process or press Ctrl + Alt + p in Visual Studio. For more information, refer to your Visual Studio documentation.
- **3** Set breakpoints in code. Select **Debug** > **New Breakpoint** in Visual Studio. For more information, refer to your Visual Studio documentation.

**4** Open MATLAB and type:

out = foo\_mex(input);

foo.cu is opened in the Visual Studio CUDA debugger at the first breakpoint.

5 If you select **Debug > Continue**, code execution completes and the results can be verified in MATLAB.

### **Debug on Linux Platforms**

The CUDA GNU Debugger cuda-gdb, available for Linux systems as part of the CUDA Toolkit installation, provides complete source code debugging, including the ability to set breakpoints, examine variables, and step through the source code line-by-line.

In this procedure, the MATLAB command prompt >> is shown in front of MATLAB commands, and linux> represents a Linux prompt; your system might show a different prompt. The debugger prompt is <cuda-gdb>.

1 To debug with cuda-gdb, at the Linux prompt, start the cuda-gdb debugger using the matlab function -D option.

linux> matlab -Dcuda-gdb

2 Tell cuda-gdb to stop for debugging.

<cuda-gdb> handle SIGSEGV SIGBUS nostop noprint <cuda-gdb> handle SIGUSR1 stop print

3 Start MATLAB without the Java<sup>®</sup> Virtual Machine (JVM<sup>™</sup>) by using the -nojvm startup flag.

<cuda-gdb> run -nojvm

4 In MATLAB, enable debugging with the dbmex function and run your binary MEX file.

```
>> dbmex on
>> out = foo_mex(rand(32));
```

**5** You are ready to start debugging.

It is often convenient to set a breakpoint at mexFunction so you stop at the beginning of the gateway routine.

```
<cuda-gdb> break mexFunction
<cuda-gdb> r
```

6 Once you hit one of your breakpoints, you can make full use of any commands the debugger provides to examine variables, display memory, or inspect registers.

To proceed from a breakpoint, type:

<cuda-gdb> continue

7 After stopping at the last breakpoint, type:

<cuda-gdb> continue

Code execution finishes and the results can be verified on MATLAB.

8 From the MATLAB prompt you can return control to the debugger by typing:

>> dbmex stop

Or, if you are finished running MATLAB, type:

>> quit

When you are finished with the debugger, type:

<cuda-gdb> quit

You return to the Linux prompt.

For more information on CUDA debugger, refer to NVIDIA documentation.

### See Also

dbmex | codegen | coder.gpuConfig | coder.gpu.kernelfun | gpucoder

- "GPU Programming Paradigm" on page 4-2
- "Installing Prerequisite Products" on page 1-3
- "Setting Up the Prerequisite Products" on page 1-7
- "GPU Code Generation Workflow" on page 4-3
- "Code Generation Using the Command Line Interface" on page 2-15

# Verification

## Verify Correctness of the Generated Code

After you generate code, GPU Coder provides you multiple options to inspect the source code and test the correctness of the generated code.

- The code generation report provides an interactive interface for inspecting the generated CUDA source files, generated data types, and other code insights. For more information, see "Code Generation Reports".
- Verify generated MEX functions in the GPU Coder app.
- Verify generated MEX functions at the command line.
- With the MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms, you can use the processor-in-the-loop (PIL) execution to check the numerical behavior of the CUDA code that you generate from MATLAB functions. For more information, see "Processor-In-The-Loop Execution from Command Line" (MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms) and "Processor-In-The-Loop Execution with the GPU Coder App" (MATLAB Coder Support Package for NVIDIA Jetson and NVIDIA DRIVE Platforms).
- If you have Embedded Coder, you can verify the numerical behavior of the generated CUDA code by using software-in-the-loop (SIL) execution.

### Verify MEX Functions in the GPU Coder App

In the GPU Coder app, after you generate a MEX function, you can verify that it has the same functionality as the original MATLAB entry-point function. Provide a test file that generates test vectors for the function under test and then calls the original MATLAB entry-point function. The test file can be a MATLAB function or script but must be in the same folder as the original entry-point function.

- On the **Generate Code** page of the GPU Coder app, click **Verify Code**.
- Type or select the test file. For example, myfunction\_test.
- To run the test file without replacing calls to the original MATLAB function with calls to the MEX function, select **MATLAB code** for the **Run using** option. Click **Run Generated Code**.
- To run the test file, replacing calls to the original MATLAB function with calls to the MEX function, select **Generated code** for the **Run using** option. Click **Run Generated Code**.
- Compare the results of running the original MATLAB function with the results of running the generated CUDA MEX function.

### Verify MEX Functions at the Command Line

You can verify the generated CUDA MEX file at the command line by using the coder.runTest function. The coder.runTest function runs the test file by replacing calls to the original MATLAB function with calls to the MEX function. For example, to test myfunction function with myfunction\_test test file, enter the following code in the MATLAB Command Window.

coder.runTest('myfunction\_test','myfunction')

Compare the results with the results of running the original MATLAB function. If errors occur during the run, call stack information is available for debugging. Alternatively, you can use **codegen** with the **-test** option.

codegen myfunction -test'myfunction\_test'

The test file can be a MATLAB function, script, or class-based unit test.

### Code Verification Through Software-In-The-Loop

GPU Coder supports software-in-the-loop (SIL) execution, which enables you to verify source code and compiled object code. During SIL execution through a MATLAB SIL interface, the software compiles and using the test vectors that you provide, runs library code on your development computer. You can reuse test vectors developed for your MATLAB functions to verify the numerical behavior of library code.

#### Note

- On a Microsoft Windows system, the Windows Firewall can potentially block a SIL execution. Change the Windows Firewall settings to allow access.
- When using SIL execution, make sure that the Benchmarking option in GPU Coder settings is false. Executing SIL with benchmarking results in compilation errors.

#### SIL Execution with the GPU Coder App

The software-in-the-loop (SIL) execution is supported only for static and dynamic library output types. If you generated a MEX function, you must change the project settings to use Static Library or Dynamic Library for **Build type** and run **Generate code** again.

**1** To open the GPU Coder app, on the MATLAB toolstrip **Apps** tab, under **Code Generation**, click the app icon.

2

To open your project, click 📃, and then click Open existing project. Select the project,

myproject.prj. On the Generate Code page, click the Generate arrow 🔼

- **3** In the **Generate** dialog box:
  - Set Build type to Static Library or Dynamic Library.
  - Clear the **Generate code only** check box.
  - You can leave the other settings to their default values.
- 4 To generate the CUDA code, click **Generate**. Click **Verify Code**.
- 5 In the command field, specify the test file (for example, myfunction\_test.m) that calls the original MATLAB functions (for example, myfunction).
- 6 To start the SIL execution, click **Run Generated Code**. The GPU Coder app:
  - Generates a standalone library in codegen\lib\myfunction.
  - Generates SIL interface code in codegen\lib\myfunction\sil.
  - Runs the test file, replacing calls to the MATLAB function with calls to the generated code in the library.
  - Displays messages from the SIL execution in the **Test Output** tab.
- **7** Verify that the results from the SIL execution match the results from the original MATLAB functions.

8 To terminate the SIL execution process, click **Stop SIL Verification**. Alternatively, on the **Test Output** tab, click the link that follows To terminate execution.

#### SIL Execution from Command Line

To set up and start a SIL execution from the command line, you create a GPU Coder configuration object for library code generation, enable config\_obj.VerificationMode = 'SIL', use codegen function to generate the library code and the SIL interface, and use coder.runTest function to run the test file for your original MATLAB function. The following is a build script that automates the series of commands to perform SIL execution.

```
%% Create configuration object for static library.
config = coder.gpuConfig('lib');
config.GenerateReport = true;
config.VerificationMode = 'SIL';
%% Define argument types for entry-point 'mandelbrot count'.
ARGS = cell(1,1);
ARGS{1} = cell(3,1);
ARGS{1}{1} = coder.typeof(0);
ARGS{1}{2} = coder.typeof(0,[1000 1000]);
ARGS{1}{3} = coder.typeof(0,[1000 1000]);
%% Invoke GPU Coder.
codegen -config config myfunction -args ARGS{1}
%% Run the test file with the sil interface
coder.runTest('myfunction test', ['myfunction sil.' mexext]);
%% Terminate SIL execution
clear myfunction sil;
```

### Numerical Differences Between CPU and GPU

Because of architectural differences between the CPU and GPU, numerical verification does not always match. This scenario is specially true when using single data type in your MATLAB code and performing accumulation operations on these single data type values. However, there are cases like the Mandelbrot example where even double data types cause numerical errors. One reason for this mismatch is that the GPU floating-point units use fused Floating-Point Multiply-Add (FMAD) instructions while the CPU does not use these instructions. It is also important to note that the CUDA compiler performs these instruction-level optimizations by default impacting the accuracy of the computed results. For example, the CUDA compiler fuses floating-point multiply and add instructions into a single instruction. This Floating-point Multiply-Add (FMAD) operation executes twice as fast compared to two single instructions but results in the loss of numerical accuracy. You can achieve tighter control over these optimizations by using intrinsic functions and compiler flags. To set compiler flags, see coder.gpuConfig. To integrate CUDA intrinsics, see "Call Custom CUDA Device Function from the Generated Code".

### See Also

Apps GPU Coder

```
Functions
codegen | coder.gpuConfig | coder.gpu.kernelfun | gpucoder | coder.runTest
```

#### Objects

coder.gpuConfig|coder.CodeConfig|coder.EmbeddedCodeConfig

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## **GPU Programming Paradigm**

GPU-accelerated computing follows a heterogeneous programming model. Highly parallelizable portions of the software application are mapped into kernels that execute on the physically separate GPU device, while the remainder of the sequential code still runs on the CPU. Each kernel is allocated several workers or threads, which are organized in blocks and grids. Every thread within the kernel executes concurrently with respect to each other.



The objective of GPU Coder is to take a sequential MATLAB program and generate partitioned, optimized CUDA code from it. This process involves:

- CPU/GPU partitioning Identifying segments of code that run on the CPU and segments that run on the GPU. For the different ways GPU Coder identifies CUDA kernels, see "Kernel Creation". Memory transfer costs between CPU and GPU are a significant consideration in the kernel creation algorithm.
- After kernel partitioning is complete, GPU Coder analyzes the data dependency between the CPU and GPU partitions. Data that is shared between the CPU and GPU are allocated on GPU memory (by using cudaMalloc or cudaMallocManaged APIs). The analysis also determines the minimum set of locations where data has to be copied between CPU and GPU by using cudaMemcpy. If using Unified Memory in CUDA, then the same analysis pass also determines the minimum locations in the code where cudaDeviceSync calls must be inserted to get the right functional behavior.
- Next, within each kernel, GPU Coder can choose to map data to shared memory or constant memory. If used wisely, these memories are part of the GPU memory hierarchy structure and can potentially result in greater memory bandwidth. For information on how GPU Coder chooses to map to shared memory, see "Stencil Processing". For information on how GPU Coder chooses to map to constant memory, see coder.gpu.constantMemory.
- Once partitioning and memory allocation and transfer statements are in place, GPU Coder generates CUDA code that follows the partitioning and memory allocation decisions. The generated source code can be compiled into a MEX target to be called from within MATLAB or into a shared library to be integrated with an external project. For information, see "Code Generation Using the Command Line Interface" on page 2-15.

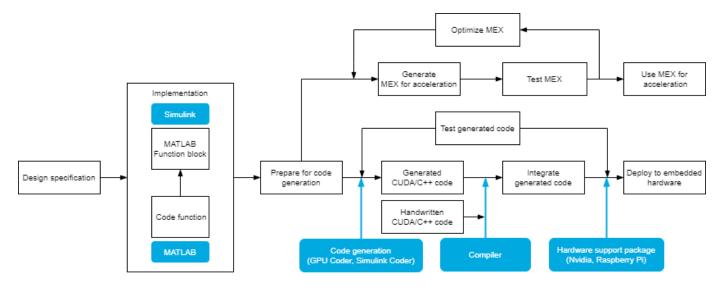
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## **GPU Code Generation Workflow**

GPU Coder code generation technology produces CUDA C++ code and executable programs for algorithms. You can write algorithms programmatically by using MATLAB or graphically in the Simulink environment. You can generate code for MATLAB functions and Simulink MATLAB Function blocks that are useful for real-time and embedded applications. Because code generation is tightly integrated with the MATLAB and Simulink execution and simulation engines, the generated source code and executable programs match the functional behavior of MATLAB code executions and Simulink simulations to a high degree of accuracy.

The code generator supports two workflows for designing, implementing, and verifying generated CUDA code. This figure shows the design and deployment environment options.



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