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Join on GPUs

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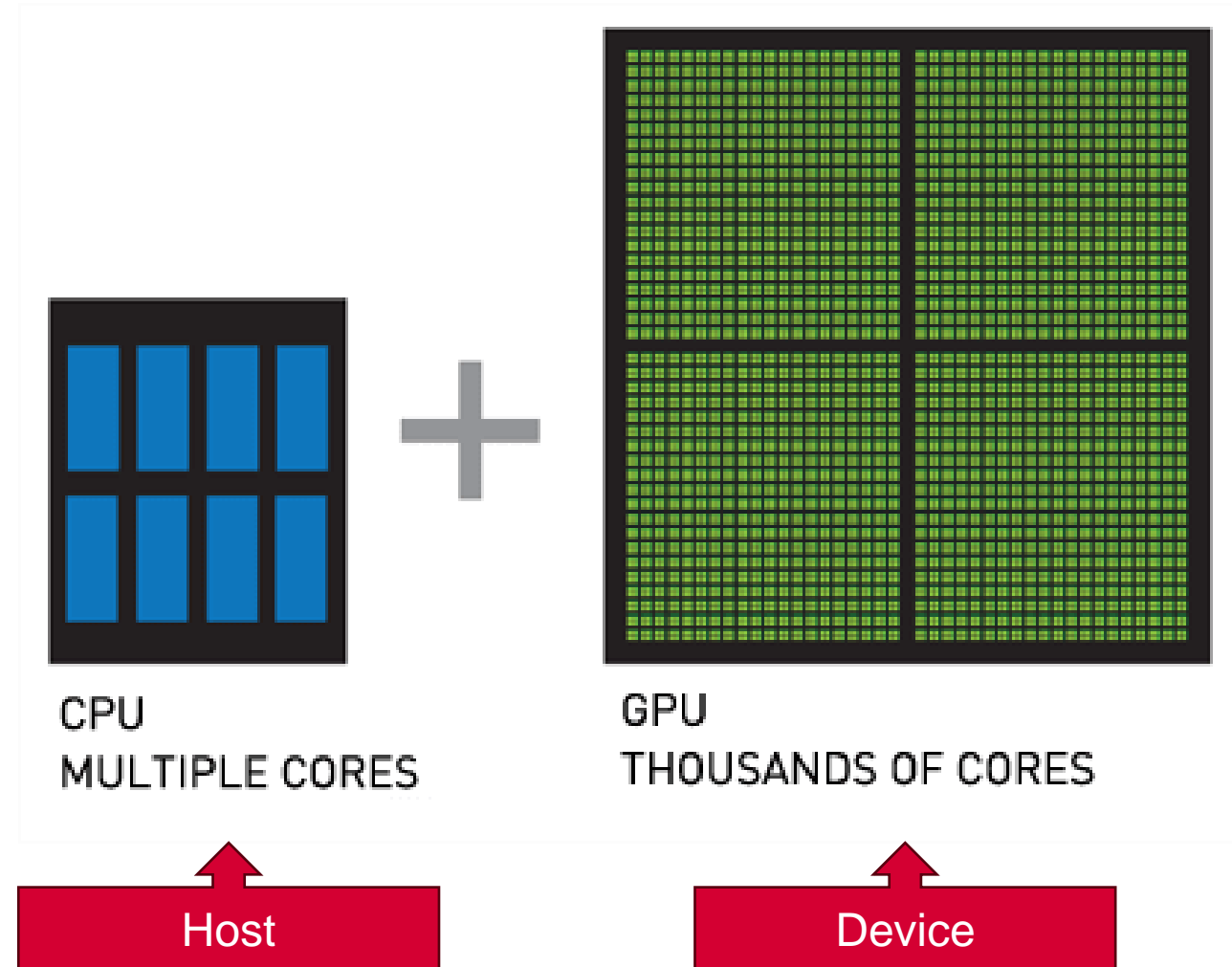
Roadmap

- Introduction to GPU
- GPGPU
- Recap to Join operation
- Parallel join
- Off-the-shelf parallel join
- Parallel hash join

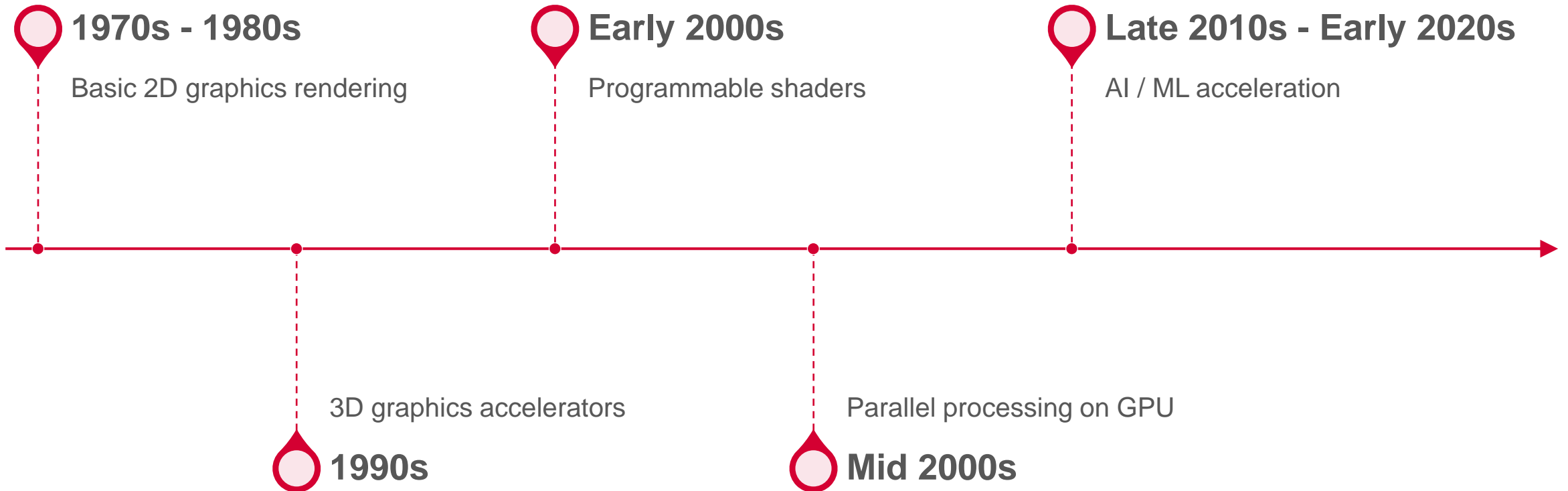
Introduction to GPU

GPU

- Graphics processing unit (GPU) accelerates graphics and data processing
- Work together with CPU
- GPU is designed for parallel processing
- Use cases:
 - ✓ Graphics and video rendering
 - ✓ Gaming
 - ✓ Machine learning, AI, Deep learning
 - ✓ Scientific computing
- Major manufacturers: Nvidia, AMD, Intel



Advancements in GPU



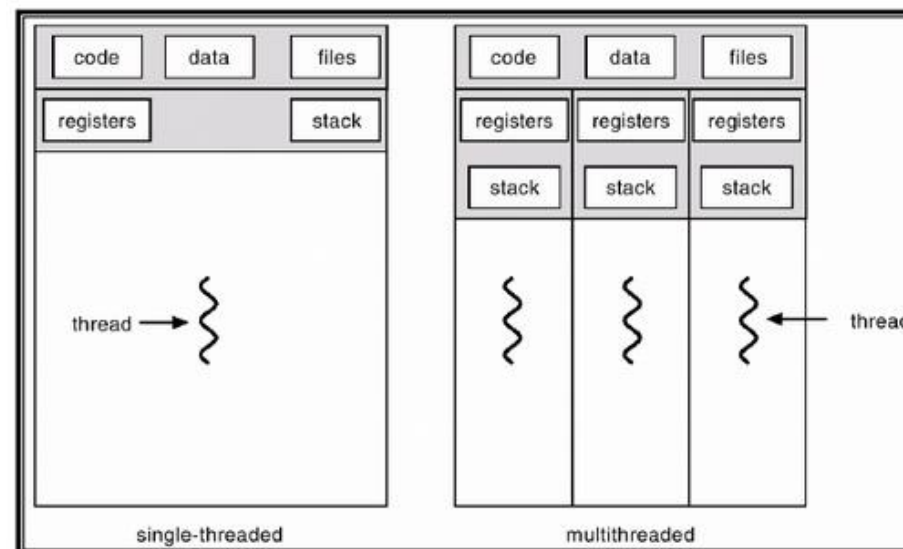
CPU vs GPU (A Sample Machine)

CPU

- 13th Gen Intel® Core™ i9-13900H
- **14** cores (6 P-cores + 8 E-cores)
- Total **20** threads
- Suitable for **serial** workloads
- Access to system memory (RAM)

GPU

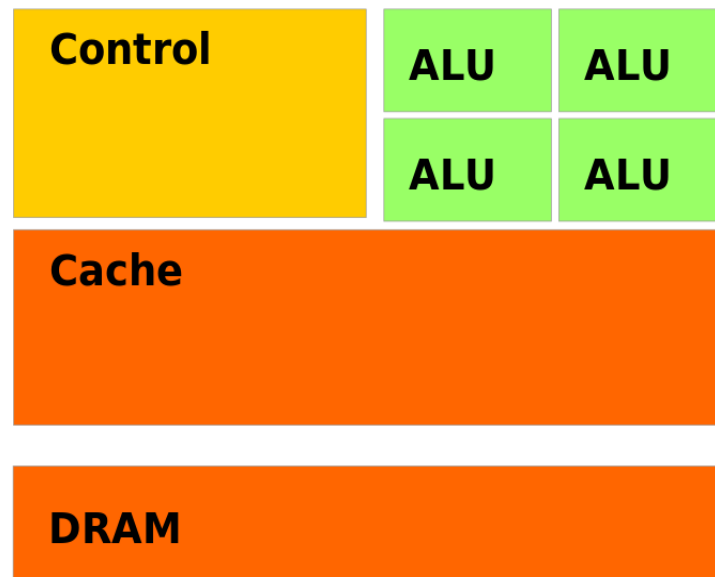
- NVIDIA GeForce RTX 4070, 8 GB GDDR6
- **5888** CUDA cores
- Total **94,208** threads
- Suitable for **parallel** workloads
- Access to dedicated VRAM



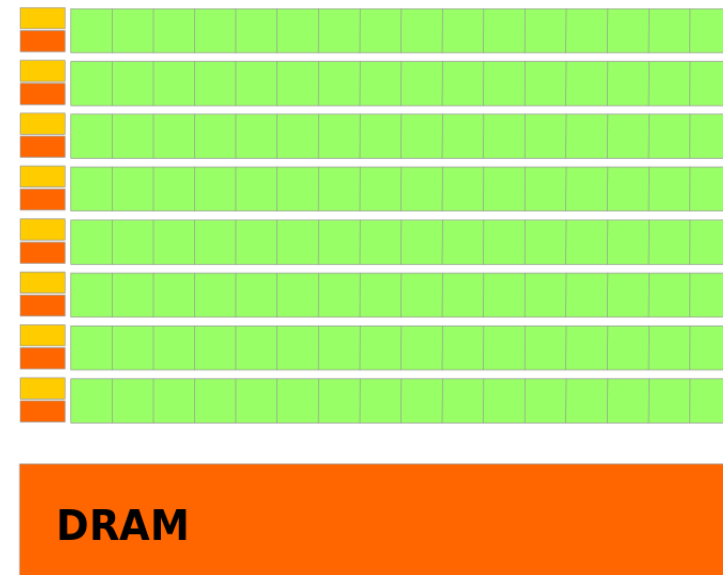
GPGPU

GPGPU

- General Purpose computing using GPU
- Influenced the scientific computing paradigms
- Offers **thousands** of cores
- Power efficiency **TFlop per Watt**



CPU



GPU



GPGPU Advantages

Massive parallel processing:
Scientific simulations

Efficient large dataset handling:
Machine learning algorithms

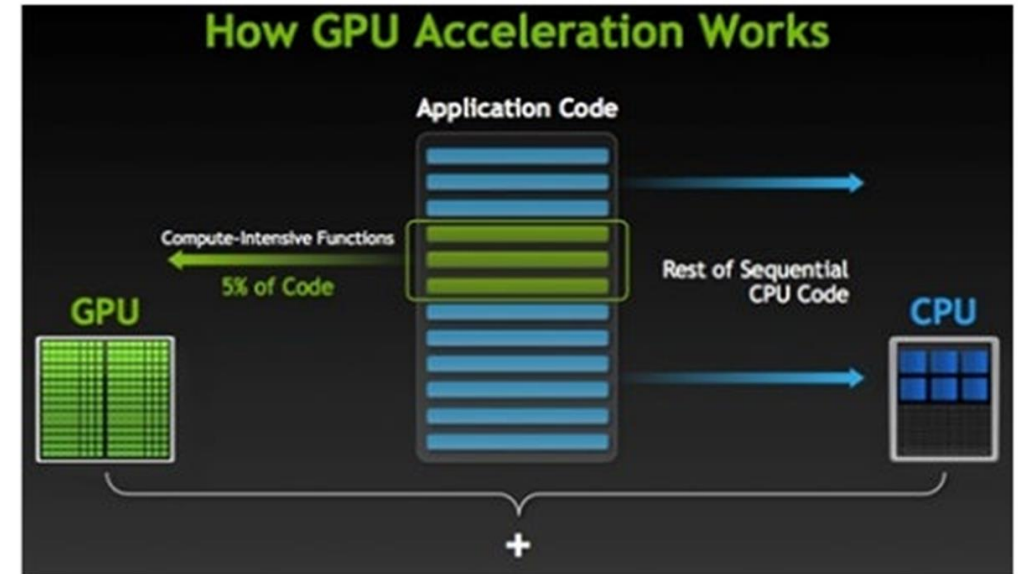
Real-time processing:
Gaming and streaming

Accelerated financial modeling:
Risk assessment and pricing

GPU Programming Model

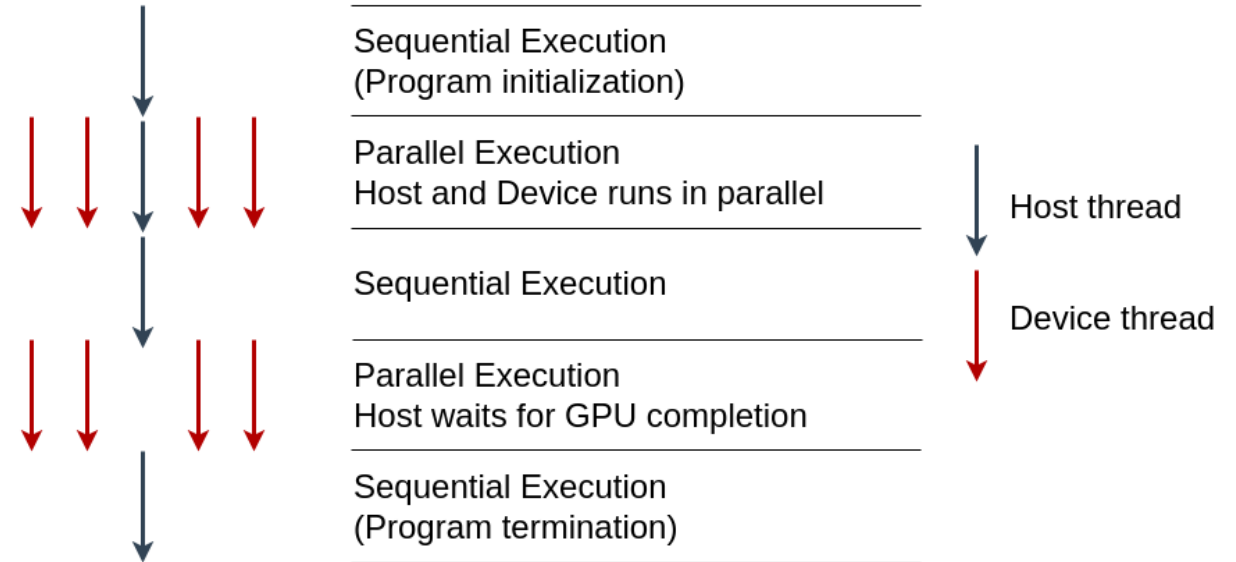
- **CUDA** - proprietary to Nvidia GPUs but most mature and established
- **HIP** - targets AMD GPUs
- **SYCL** - open standard for cross-platform portability
- **DPC++** - Intel's implementation of SYCL
- **OneAPI** - Intel's unified programming model across devices

GPU and CPU communication



CUDA Programming Model

- Globally Sequential Locally Parallel programming pattern
- Invokes parallel **kernels** that execute across a set of threads
- CUDA spawns the threads from a hierarchy of **grid (3D)** and **block (3D)**
- Each thread executes an instance of the kernel
- Supports **C/C++, Fortan, Python**



GPGPU Challenges

- **Algorithm adaptation for GPU:** Sequential to parallel
- **Parallelism synchronization:** Putting barrier
- **Memory management:** Host to device and device to host data transfer
- **Portability:** Portability to different GPU devices

Recap to Join operation

Recap to Relational Data

- **Relation:** 2-dimensional structure
- **Attribute:** Represents characteristics
- **Row:** Represents unique record
- **Join (\bowtie):** Combines data from relations
- **Projection (Π):** Select specific columns

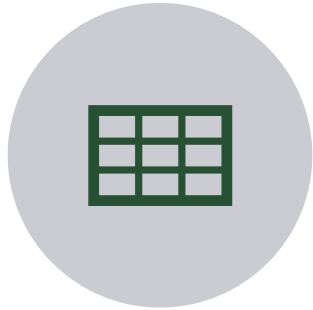
Relation

UserID	UserName	UserEmail
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Attribute (Column)

Tuple (Row)

Why Join is Important?



COMBINE DATA
FROM MULTIPLE
TABLES



FIND PATTERNS IN
DATA



CLEAN DATA



CREATE NEW DATA
SETS

Example of Natural Join

User

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102	Bob	bob@example.com
103	Eve	eve@example.com



Order

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101	25.69	2
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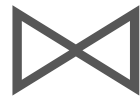
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Example of Natural Join ⋈

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Duplicates on Join Result

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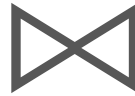
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Parallel Join

How can we do join in parallel?

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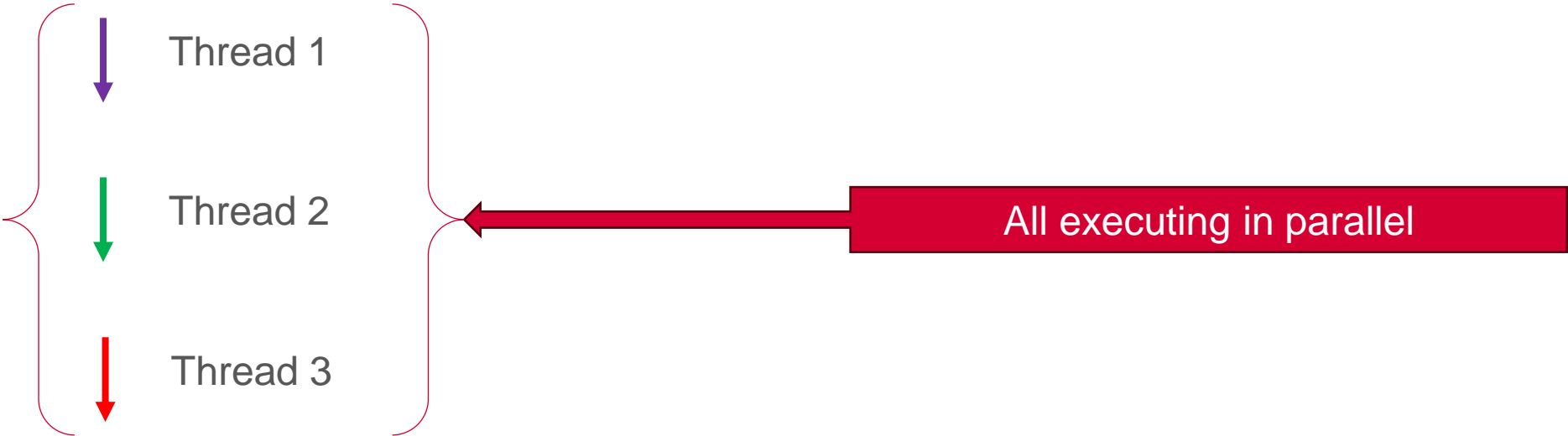
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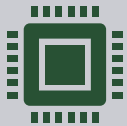
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Parallel Join



What: Perform relational join operation simultaneously on a number of processors or machines



When: Useful when input data is enormous and the join is computationally costly



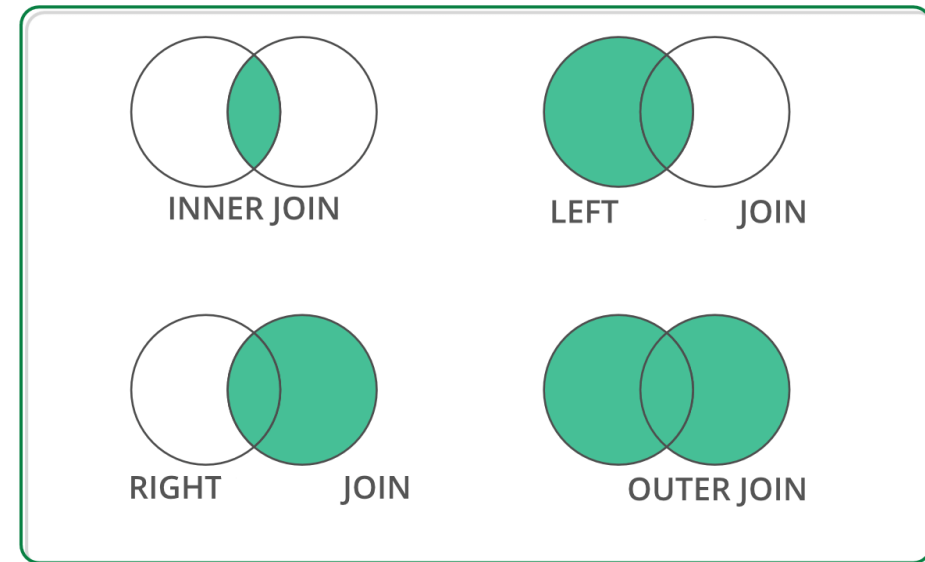
How: Divide the data into partitions and assign each partition to a different processor

Off-the-shelf Parallel Join

Off-the-shelf Data Structure for Join Operation

DataFrame: 2D labeled tabular data structure

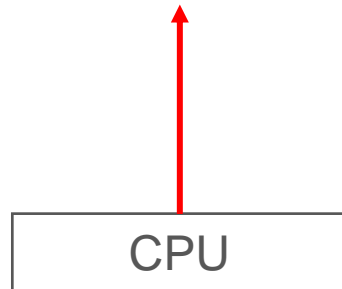
DataFrame has RA primitives APIs



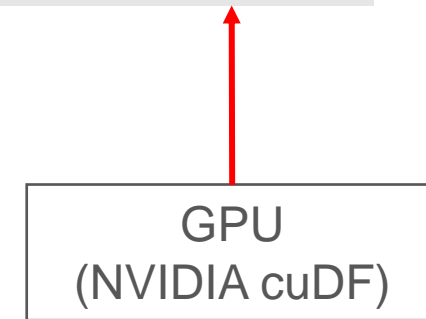
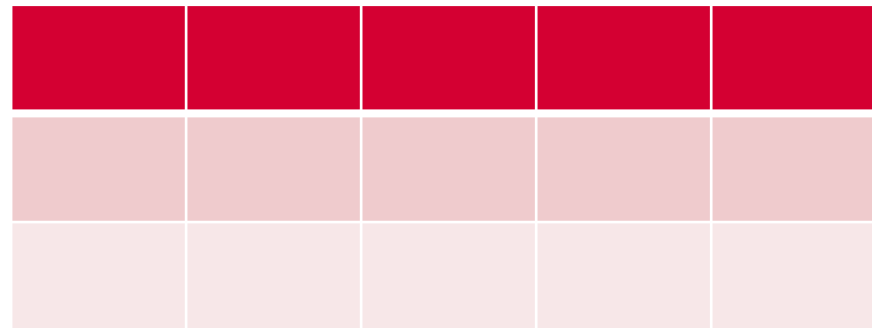
Off-the-shelf Python Libraries



RAPIDS



DataFrame: 2D labeled tabular data structure



Both supports join operation with similar APIs

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CPU (Pandas) and GPU (cuDF)

```
import pandas as pd
```

CPU Environment

```
import cudf
```

GPU Environment

```
def get_read_csv(filename, method='cudf', n):
```

```
    column_names = ['column 1', 'column 2']
```

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    if method == 'df':
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        return pd.read_csv(filename, sep='\t', header=None,  
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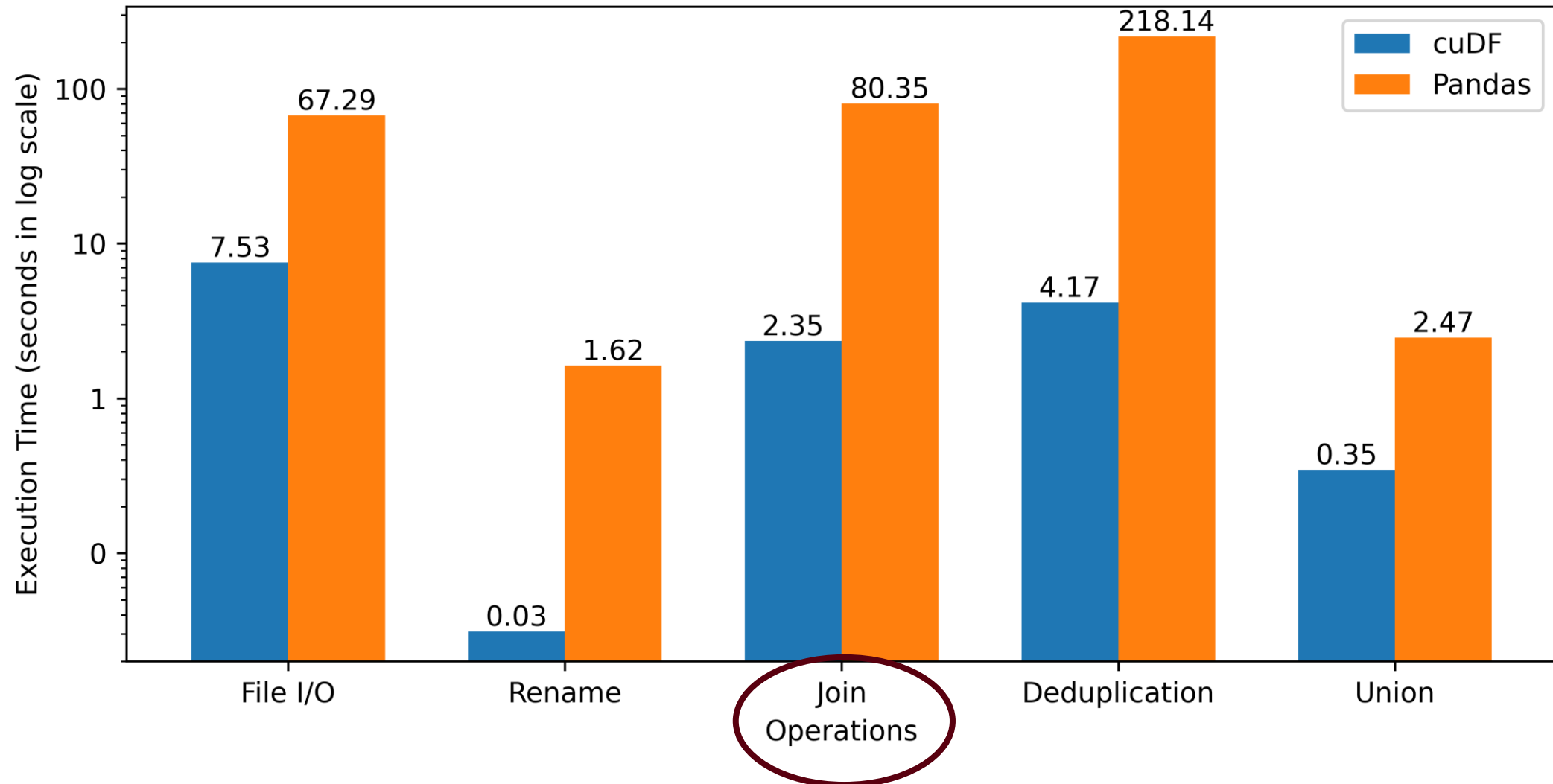
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    return cudf.read_csv(filename, sep='\t', header=None,  
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```
def get_join(relation_1, relation_2):
```

```
    column_names = ['column 1', 'column 2']
```

```
    return relation_1.merge(relation_2, on=column_names[0],  
                           how="inner",  
                           suffixes=('_relation_1', '_relation_2'))
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Performance Improvement of using GPU



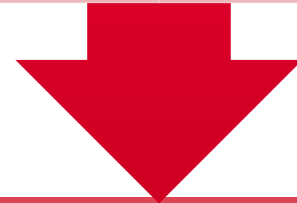
Parallel Hash Join

Parallel Join: Algorithms

Popular algorithms

Sort-Merge Join (SMJ)

Hash Join (HJ)



SMJ is suitable for small to medium-sized tables
HJ is suitable for large tables

Hash Join Process



35	44
11	23

...

46	31
97	32

Key - Value

11	23

...

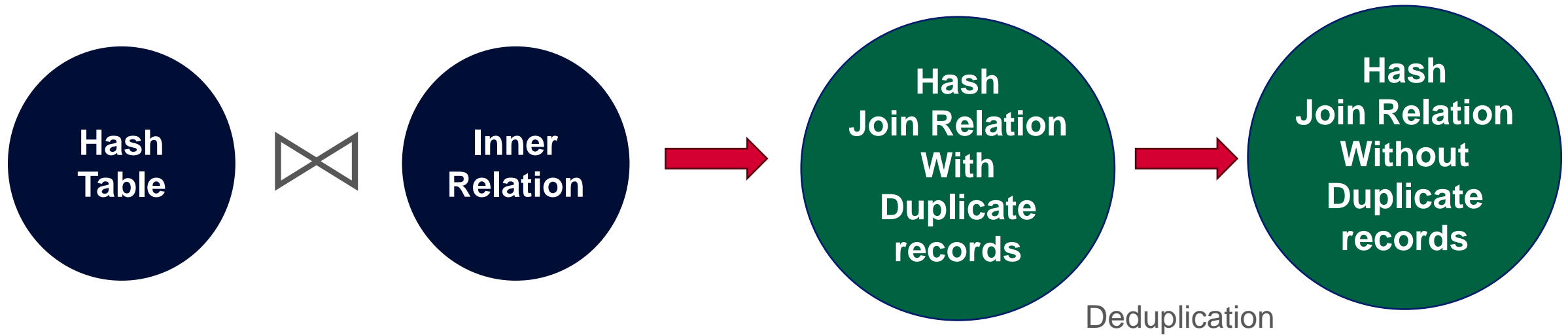
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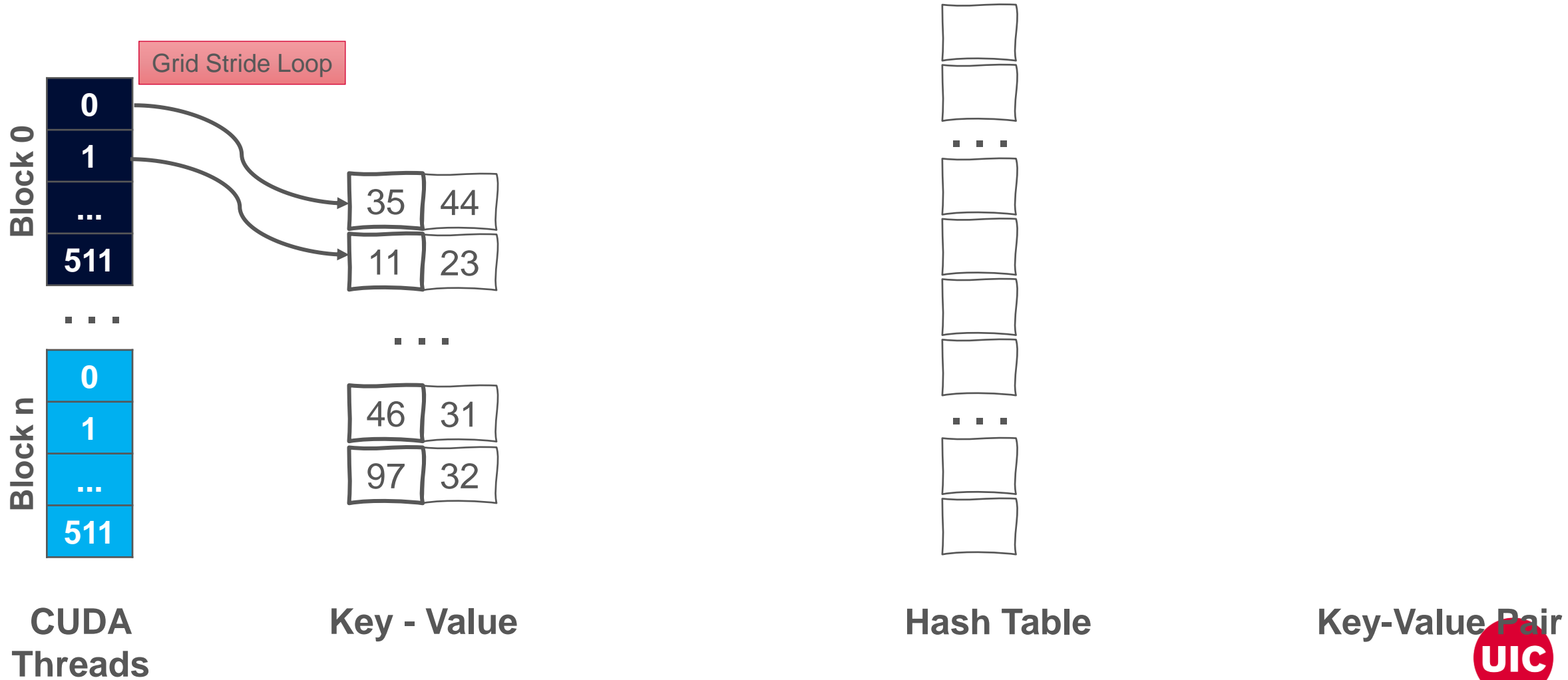
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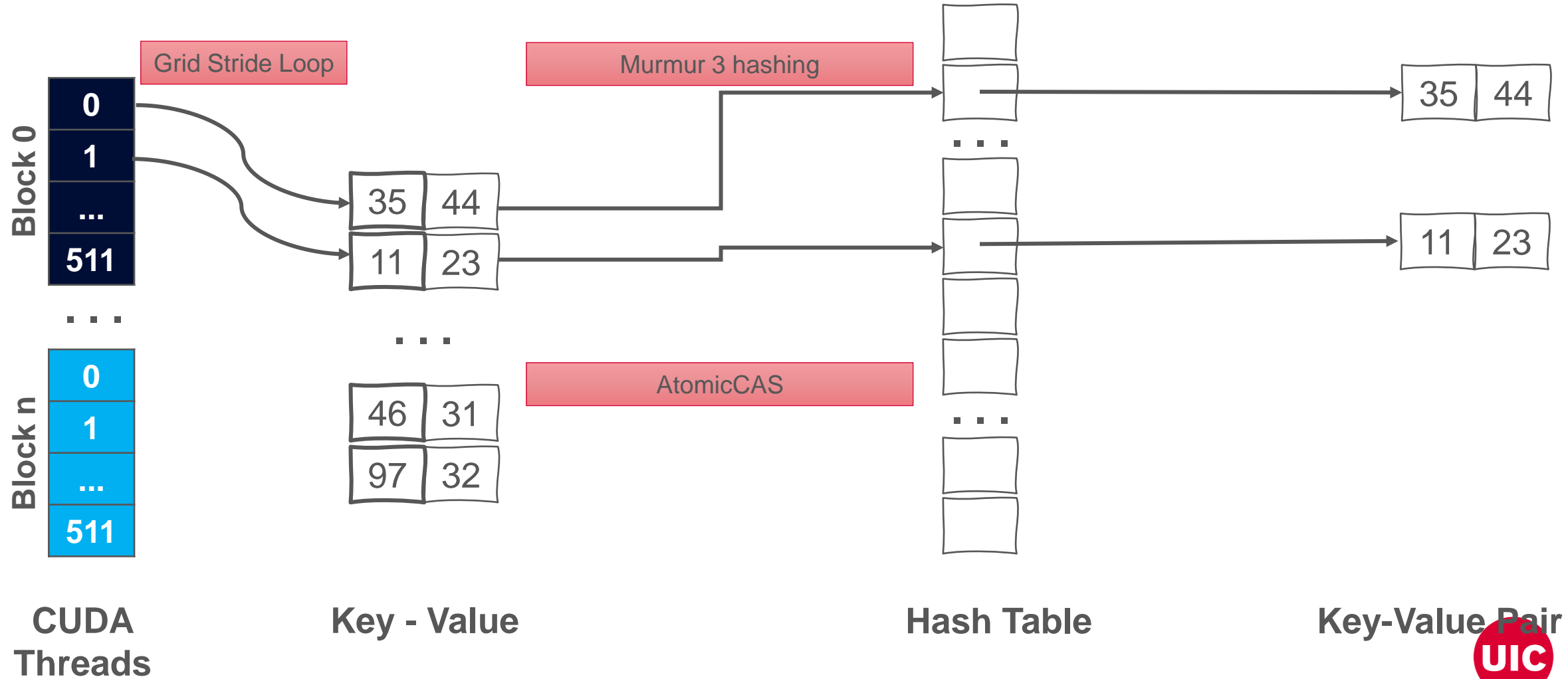
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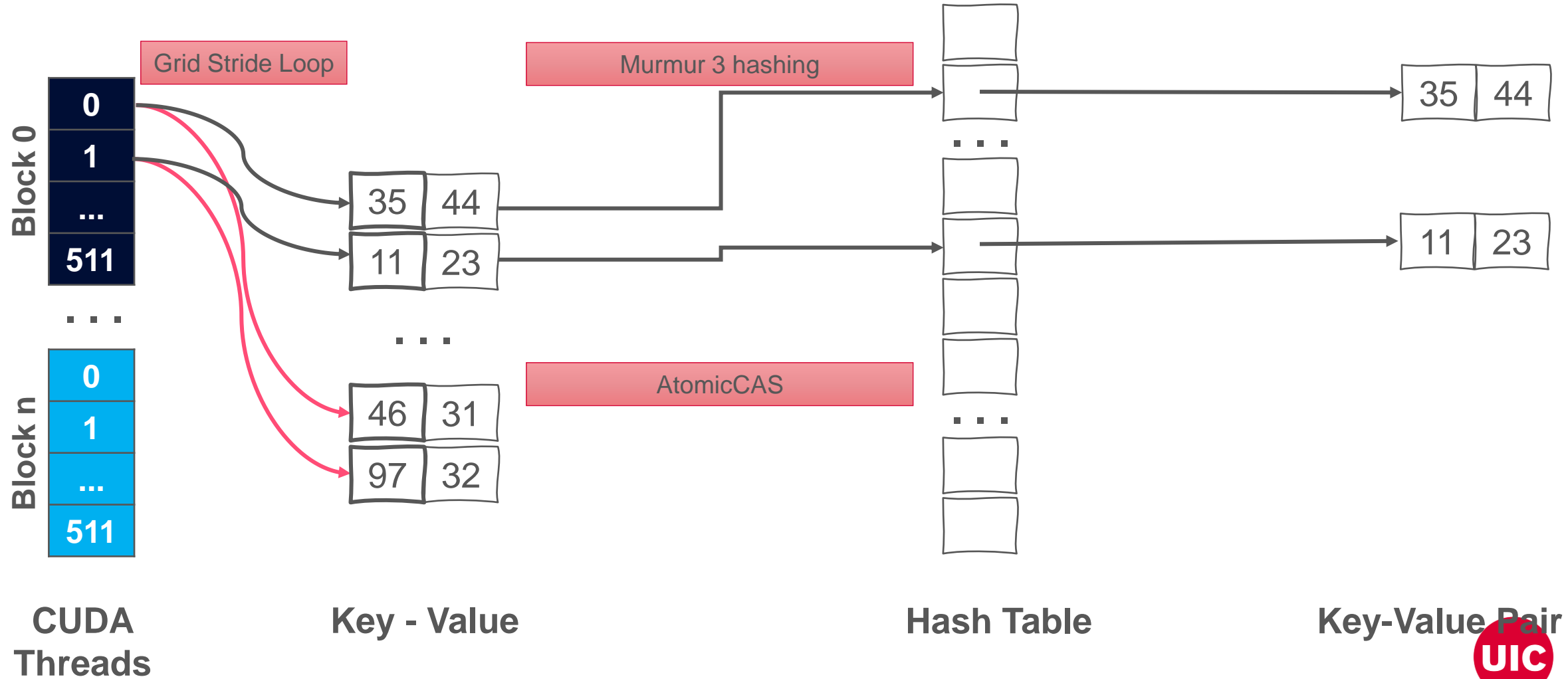
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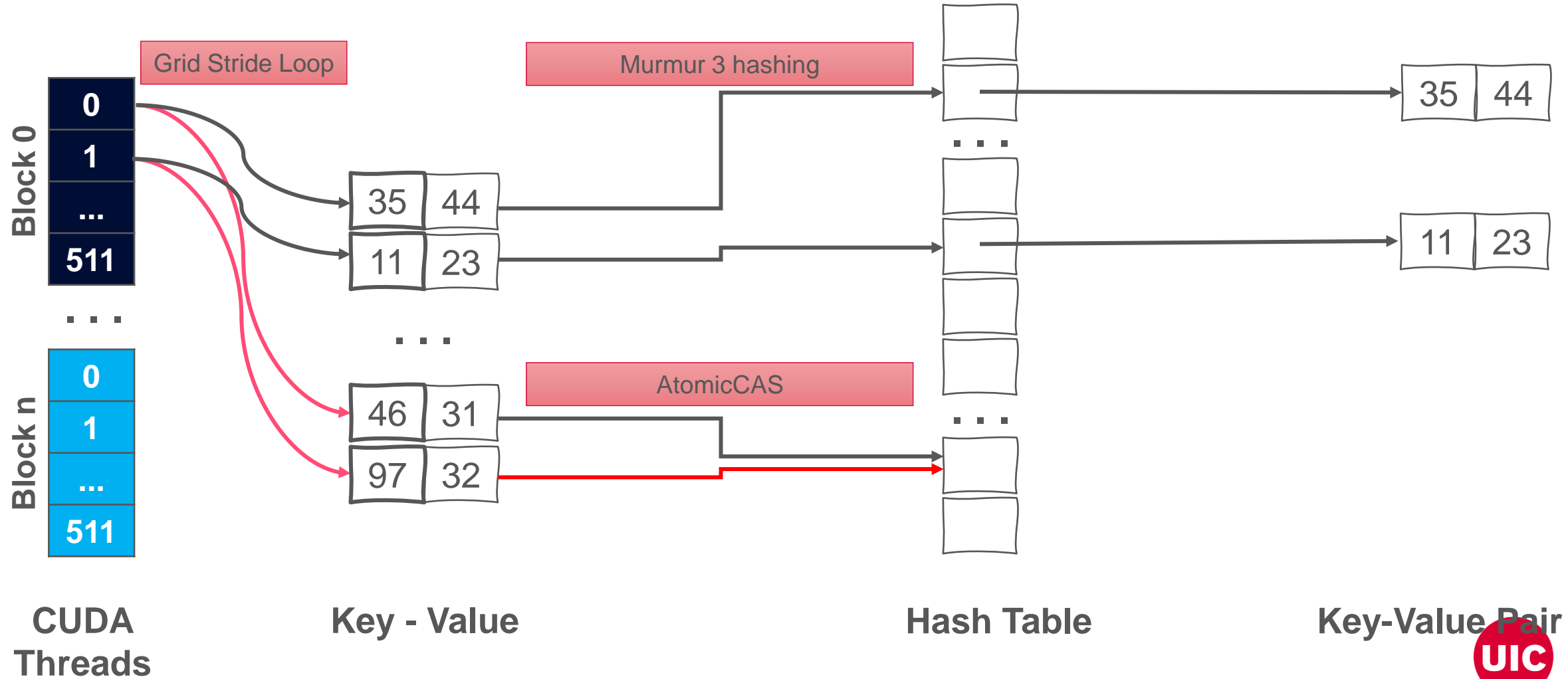
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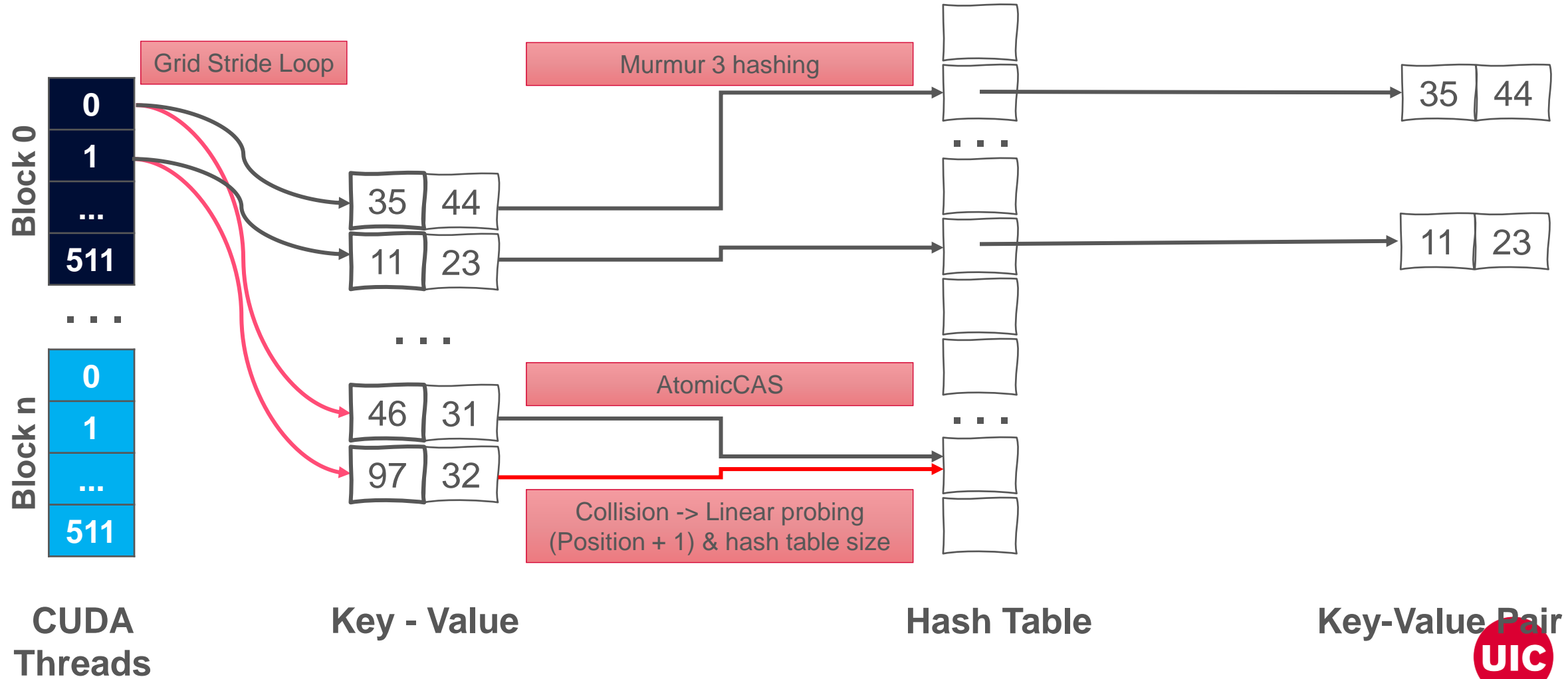
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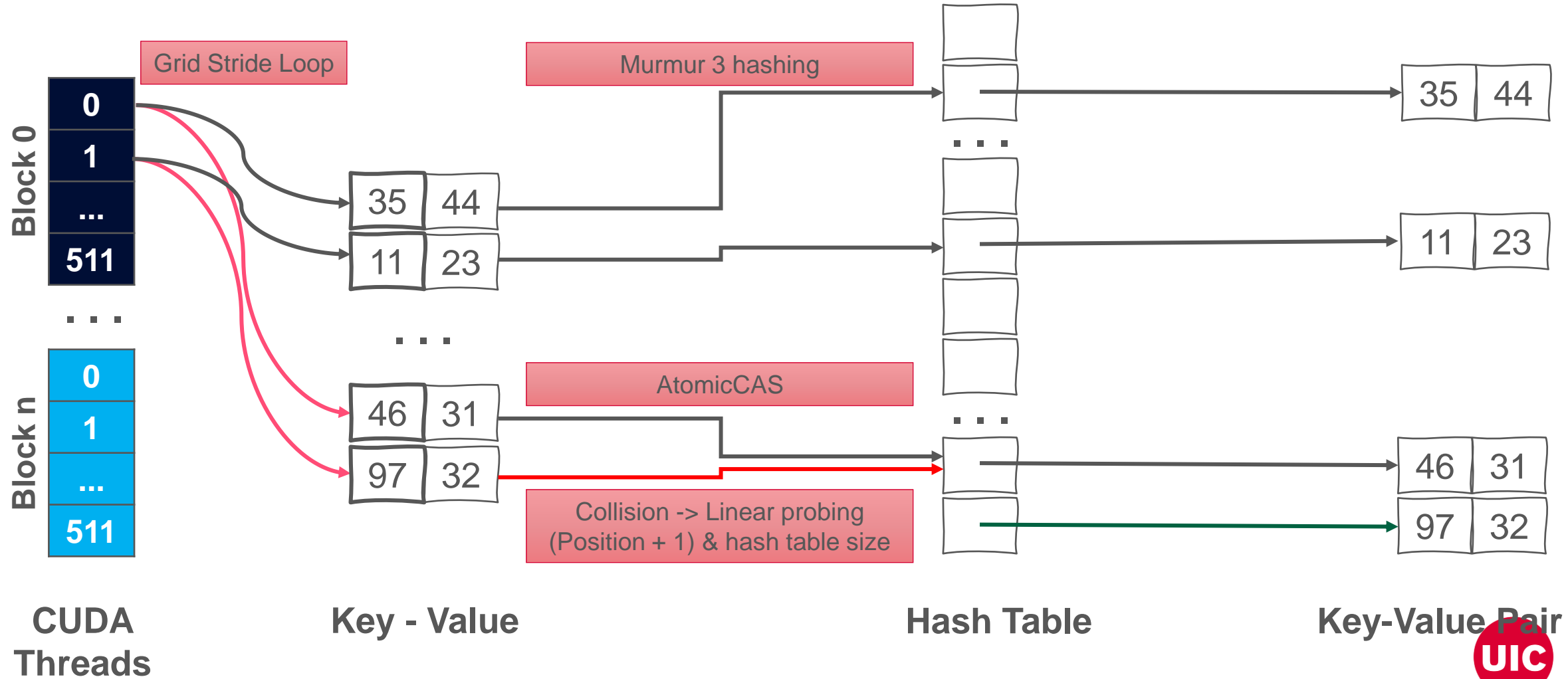
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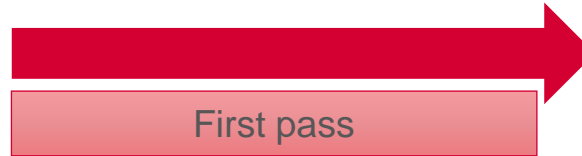
Performing Hash Join on GPU

Static Hash Table

Key	Value

Inner Relation

Key	Value



Calculate join size

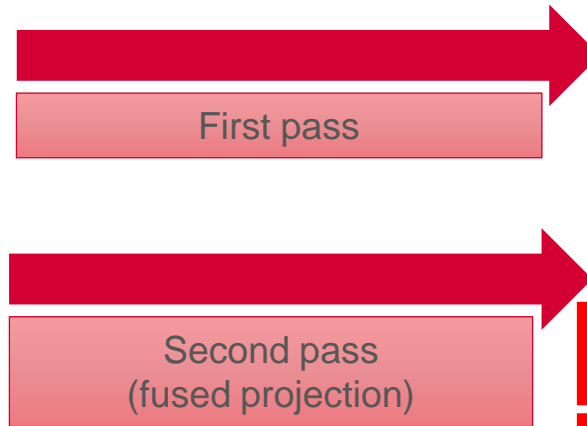
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Prefix sum

Join Result

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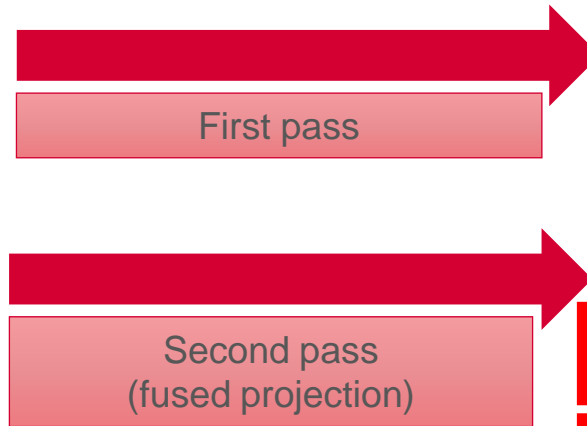
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Deduplicated Join Result

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CUDA Advantages over cuDF

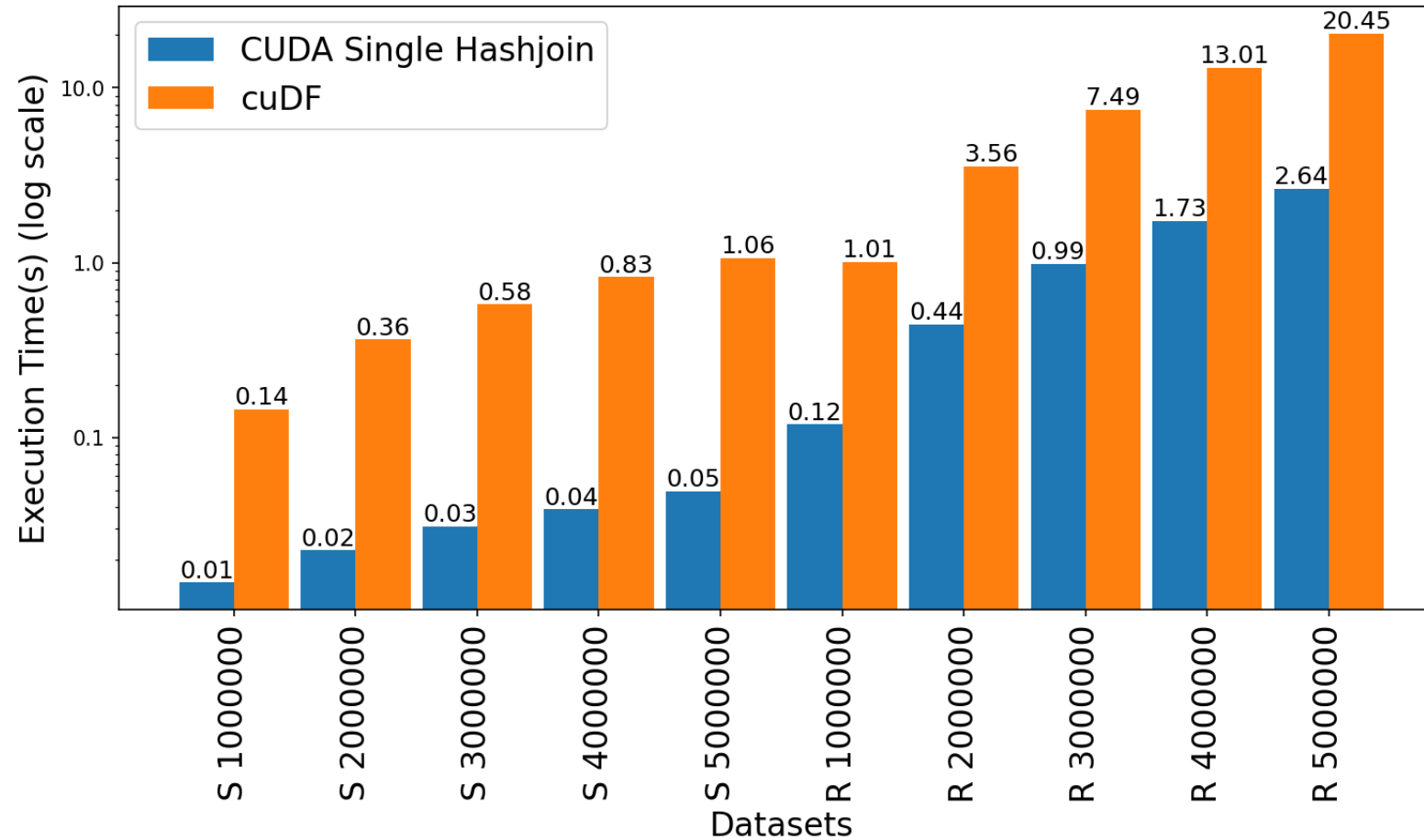
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operations

Thread-block
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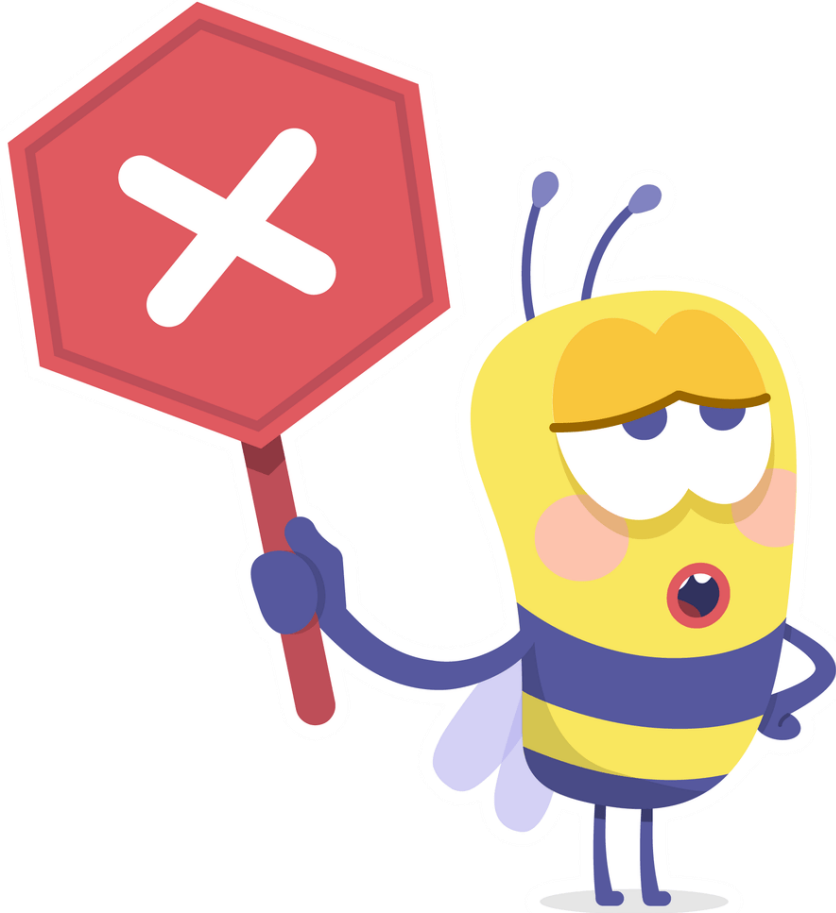
Memory
management

Optimize
data
structure

Join Performance Comparison: CUDA vs cuDF



Limitations



Limited to a single GPU that dictates scaling by available VRAM on the GPU

Memory overflow error for larger graphs

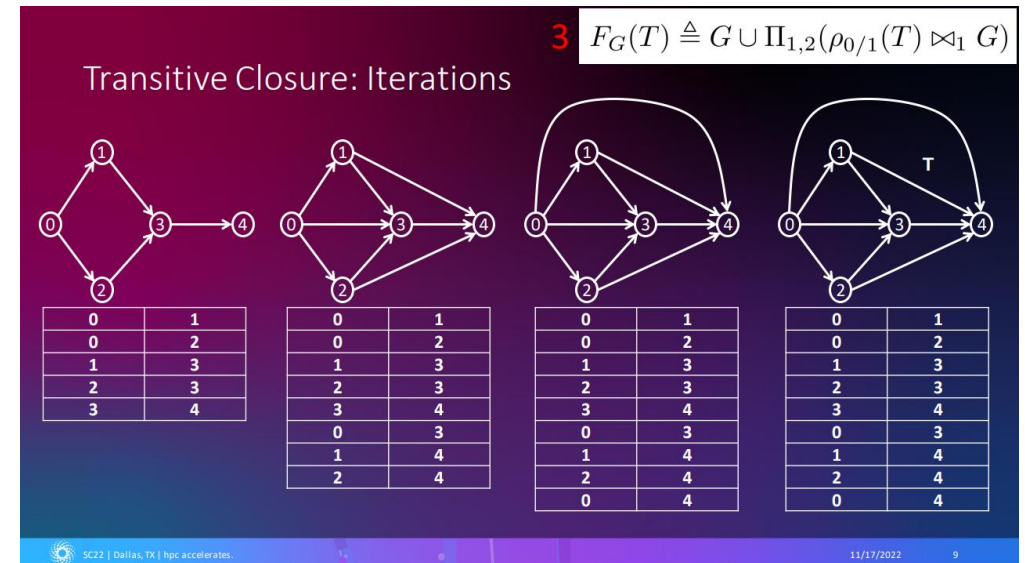
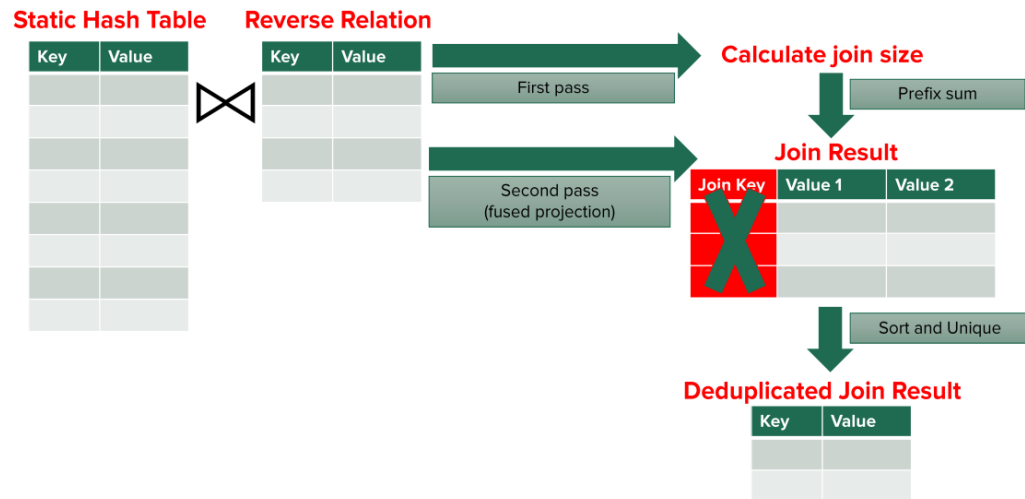
Open addressing based hash table causes memory overhead

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Performing Hash Join on GPU



Summary



GPU provides performance enhancement



Python based cuDF can be a head start to GPU programming



Low level CUDA has a learning curve but improves performance

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Thank You

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