## Chapter-15 Application case study— molecular visualization and analysis



**FIGURE 15.1:** Electrostatic potential map is used in building stable structures for molecular dynamics simulation.



**FIGURE 15.2:** The contribution of atom[i] to the electrostatic potential at lattice point *j* (potential[j]) is atom[i] charge/ $r^{ij}$ . In the Direct Coulomb Summation method, the total potential at lattice point *j* is the sum of contributions from all atoms in the system.

```
void cenergy(float *energygrid, dim3 grid, float gridspacing, float z, const float *atoms,
             int numatoms) {
 int i,j,n;
 int atomarrdim = numatoms * 4;
 for (j=0; j<grid.y; j++) {
  float y = gridspacing * (float) j;
  for (i=0; i<grid.x; i++) {
   float x = gridspacing * (float) i;
   float energy = 0.0f;
   for (n=0; n<atomarrdim; n+=4) { // calculate potential contribution of each atom
     float dx = x - atoms[n];
     float dy = y - atoms[n+1]:
     float dz = z - atoms[n+2];
     energy = atoms[n+3] / sqrtf(dx*dx + dy*dy + dz*dz);
    }
   energygrid[grid.x*grid.y*k + grid.x*j + i] = energy;
```

FIGURE 15.3: Base Coulomb potential calculation code for a 2D slice.



FIGURE 15.4: Overview of the DCS kernel design.

```
Start global memory reads
float curenergy = energygrid[outaddr]
                                                   early. Kernel hides some of
float coorx = gridspacing * xindex;
                                                        its own latency.
float coory = gridspacing * yindex;
int atomid:
float energyval=0.0f;
for (atomid=0; atomid<numatoms; atomid++) {
 float dx = coorx - atominfo[atomid].x;
 float dy = coory - atominfo[atomid].y;
 energyval += atominfo[atomid].w *
                    rsqrtf(dx*dx + dy*dy + atominfo[atomid].z);
}
                                                   Only dependency on global
                                                  memory read is at the end of
energygrid[outaddr] = curenergy + energyval;
                                                         the kernel...
FIGURE 15.5: DCS kernel version 1.
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FIGURE 15.6: Reusing computation results among multiple grid points.

```
...for (atomid=0; atomid<numatoms; atomid++) {
   float dy = coory - atominfo[atomid].y;
   float dysqpdzsq = (dy * dy) \times atominfo[atomid].z;
   float x = atominfo[atomid].x;
                                                 Compared to non-unrolled
   float dx_1 = coorx_1 - x:
                                                  kernel: memory loads are
   float dx^2 = coorx^2 - x:
                                                decreased by 4x, and FLOPS
   float dx_3 = coorx_3 - x_2:
                                               per evaluation are reduced, but
   float dx4 = coorx4 - x:
                                                  register use is increased...
   float charge = atominfo[atomid].w;
   energyvalx1 += charge * rsqrtf(dx1*dx1 + dysqpdzsq);
   energyvalx2 += charge * rsqrtf(dx2*dx2 + dysqpdzsq);
   energyvalx3 += charge * rsqrtf(dx3*dx3 + dysqpdzsq);
   energyvalx4 += charge * rsqrtf(dx4*dx4 + dysqpdzsq);
```

FIGURE 15.7: Version 2 of the DCS kernel.



FIGURE 15.8: Organizing threads and memory layout for coalesced writes.



## FIGURE 15.9: DCS kernel version 3.



FIGURE 15.10: Single-threads CPU versus CPU–GPU comparison.