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ABSTRACT

Techniques to speed-up counting based Data Mining Algorithms on GPUs

Data Mining by its definition is meant to deal with large volumes of data. Ever growing volumes of Data and increasing demand for data driven decisions are placing new requirements on Data Mining algorithms. To respond to these demands Data Mining practitioners are focusing on improving speed and turnaround time without compromising accuracy.

Among different approaches in improving speed, one approach gaining increased attention is the use of GPUs. Ability of GPUs to perform parallel executions at a massive scale and inherently repetitive nature of Data Mining workloads make GPUs a better candidate in improving speed.

Another area getting increased attention is using Bitmaps for Data Mining algorithms. Bitmap representations have been abundantly used in analytical queries for their ability to represent data concisely and for being able to simplify processing.

A number of studies have been carried out which combine these two techniques to achieve greater performance improvements. But most of those studies are revolving around FIM based algorithms, processing of which naturally aligns with Bitmap representations.

In this study, we explore the ability of using Bitmap techniques on GPUs to speed up a class of Data Mining Algorithms. A Counting based Algorithm can be defined as an Algorithm which can be separated into to two distinct phases a pattern counting phase and a model building phase. We propose a framework based on Bitmap techniques, which speeds up these counting based algorithms on GPUs. The proposed framework uses both CPU and GPU for the algorithm execution, where the core computing is delegated to GPU. We implement two algorithms Naïve Bayes and Decision Trees, using the framework, both of which outperform CPU counterparts by several orders of magnitude.

Keywords: Data Mining; GPU; Classification; Bitmaps;BitSlices;Naïve Bayes;Decision Trees

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviation Description

ARM Associate Rule Mining

FIM Frequent Itemset Mining

GPGPU General purpose Graphic Processing Units

IOT Internet of Things

SIMD Single Instruction Multiple Data