

The graphic features a solid red background on the left. On the right, a black perspective view of a digital corridor is shown, with walls and floor composed of a grid of red, yellow, and white squares. A white rectangular frame is superimposed on the black area, enclosing several of these colored squares. The AMD logo is positioned in the upper left of the red area, and the event title is below it.

AMD

Fusion¹¹
DEVELOPER SUMMIT



Fusion¹¹
DEVELOPER SUMMIT

ADVANCED OPENCL™ DEBUGGING AND PROFILING – A CASE STUDY

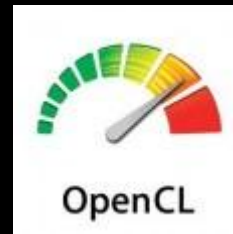
Yaki Tebeka
Advanced Micro Devices
Fellow, Developer Tools

Budirijanto Purnomo
Advanced Micro Devices
Technical Lead, GPU Compute Tools

ABOUT OPENCL

OpenCL is FUN!

- New programming language
- Exposes the massively multithreaded GPU
- And the CPU
- A lot of horse power, optimized for parallel computing
- Order of magnitude performance improvement!



OPENCL DEBUGGING AND PROFILING MODEL

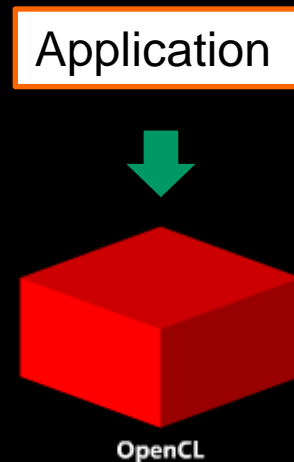
However,

- Debugging and profiling parallel processing applications is hard
- On-time delivery of robust (bug-free) OpenCL applications is challenging
- It is almost impossible to optimize an OpenCL based application to fully utilize the available parallel processing system resources

OPENCL DEBUGGING AND PROFILING MODEL

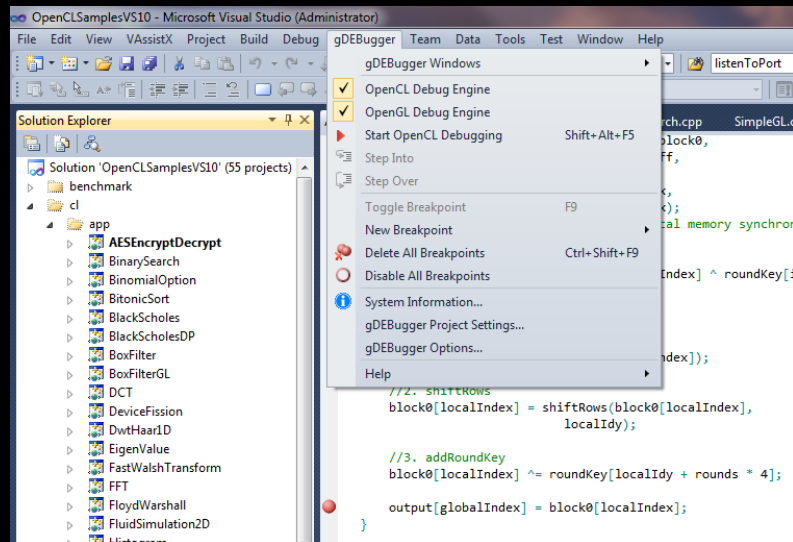
OpenCL is a “Black Box”

- The application enqueues OpenCL commands
- OpenCL’s runtime executes the commands
- The developer cannot
 - Debug the OpenCL kernels
 - See the execution details
 - View runtime loads



gDEBugger™ for Microsoft Visual Studio®

- An OpenCL Debugger
 - API Level
 - Kernel Source Code
- An OpenGL API level debugger
- Integrated into Microsoft Visual Studio
- Provides the information a developer needs to find bugs and optimize the application's performance



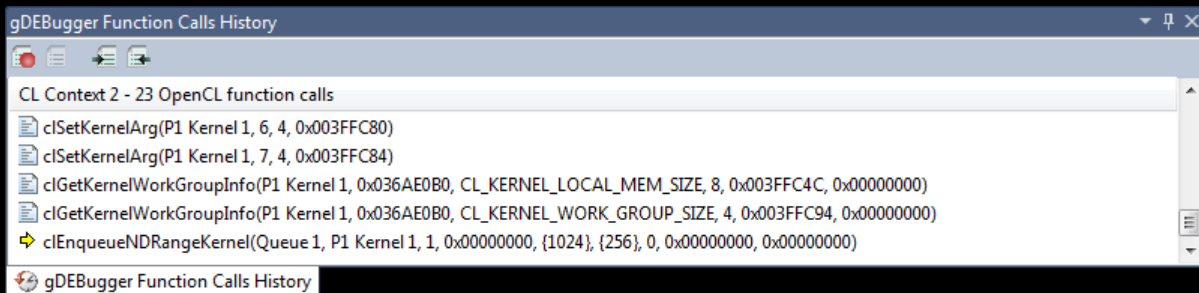
Uniform Random Noise Generator Sample

- A sample application provided with AMD APP SDK samples
- Each thread generates a uniform random deviation and applies to a pixel
- OpenCL kernel computes the deviation using a linear congruential generator proposed by Park and Miller
- The average of four neighboring pixels is used as the seed for each pixel



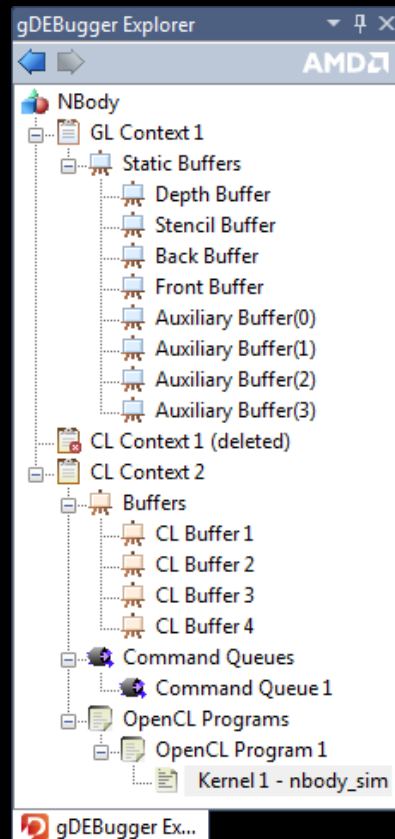
API Calls History View

- Displayed a log of OpenCL and OpenGL API calls
- Call details are displayed in the Properties View



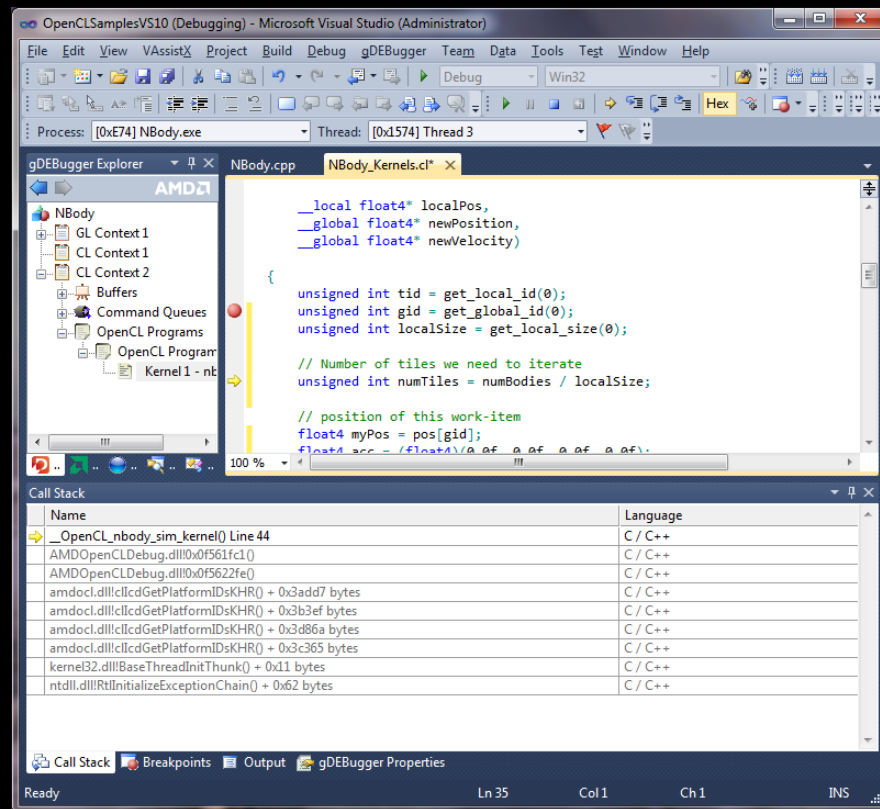
gDEBugger Explorer

- Displays OpenCL and OpenGL allocated objects
- Marks OpenGL-OpenCL shared contexts
- Focuses the GUI views on objects
- Double-click displays each object in the appropriate view



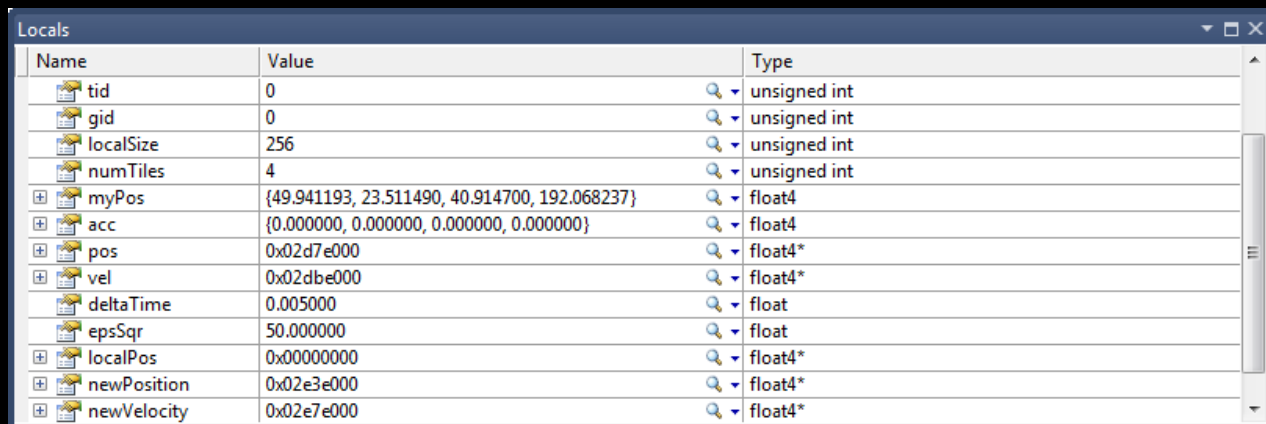
Source Code and Call Stack

- Displays C, C++ and OpenCL C source code
- Enables setting source code breakpoints
- Displays a combined C, C++ and OpenCL C call stack



Watch views

- Displays OpenCL kernel's variable values and types



The screenshot shows the 'Locals' window in GDBUGGER, which displays the state of local variables for the current OpenCL kernel. The window has a title bar with standard window controls and a search icon. The table below lists the variables, their current values, and their data types. Some variables like 'myPos', 'acc', 'pos', 'vel', 'localPos', 'newPosition', and 'newVelocity' are expanded, showing their array contents.

Name	Value	Type
tid	0	unsigned int
gid	0	unsigned int
localSize	256	unsigned int
numTiles	4	unsigned int
myPos	{49.941193, 23.511490, 40.914700, 192.068237}	float4
acc	{0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}	float4
pos	0x02d7e000	float4*
vel	0x02dbe000	float4*
deltaTime	0.005000	float
epsSqr	50.000000	float
localPos	0x00000000	float4*
newPosition	0x02e3e000	float4*
newVelocity	0x02e7e000	float4*


Multi Watch View

- Displays the values of an OpenCL kernel variable across all work items and work groups
- The image view provides a graphics representation of the data (each pixel represents a single work item)

gDEBDebugger MultiWatch-2

Image view

idum

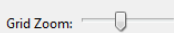


Data view

☒ Link between the Image and Data Views

☐ Show values normalized to [0..255] range

☐ Show hexadecimal values

Grid Zoom: 

	X: 240	X: 241	X: 242	X: 243	X: 244	X: 245
Y: 444	-112	-129	-134	-136	-136	-137
Y: 445	-138	-131	-136	-137	-125	-160
Y: 446	-124	-129	-117	-140	-135	-139
Y: 447	-144	-149	-152	-139	-150	-147
Y: 448	-157	-152	-150	-156	-150	-155
Y: 449	-156	-131	-144	-151	-163	-159
Y: 450	-147	-147	-144	-140	-164	-153
Y: 451	-124	-138	-143	-161	-149	-149
Y: 452	-141	-144	-143	-147	-137	-141
Y: 453	-163	-127	-156	-143	-132	-158
Y: 454	-148	-135	-150	-137	-140	-148
Y: 455	-162	-152	-133	-152	-144	-135

Multiple Kernel Workitems Watch

Variable Name: idum

Variable Type: int

Global Workoffset: X: 0

Global Worksize: X: 1024

Local Worksize: X: 256

Hovered W. Item: X: 497, Y: 0

Selected W. Item: N/A

Hovered Value: 497

Selected Value: N/A

Hovered Color: R: 76, G: 76, B: 76, A: 255

Selected Color: N/A

Place the mouse pointer over the image pixel to view the texel information

Adjust variable value active range:

200 500

-255 min max 1023

PROFILING WITH AMD APP PROFILER

AMD APP PROFILER

- Analyzes and profiles OpenCL and DirectCompute application for AMD APUs and GPUs
- Integrates into Microsoft Visual Studio® 2008 and 2010
- Is available as a command line utility program for Windows and Linux platforms
- Does not require a custom driver
- Does not require source code or project modifications of the target application

PROFILING WITH AMD APP PROFILER

What can APP Profiler do for you?

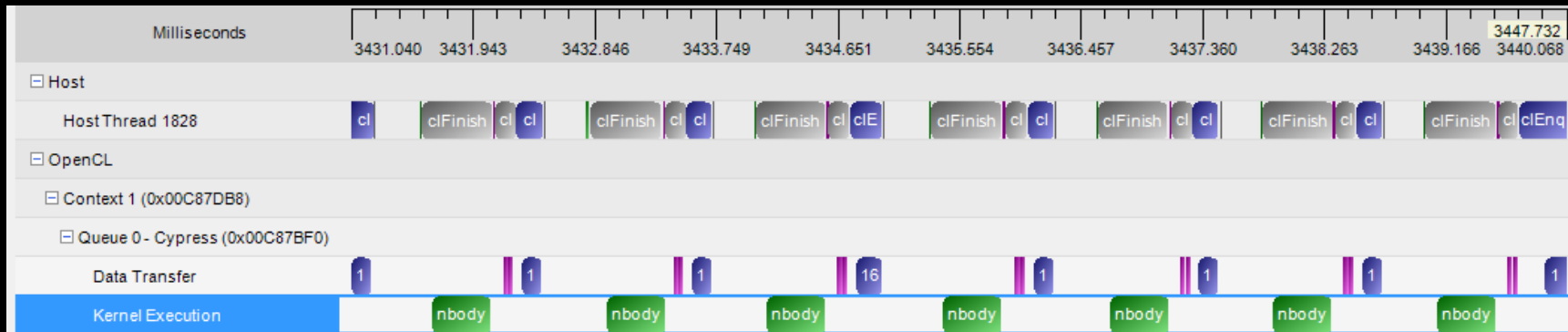
- Analyze and Profile OpenCL applications
 - View API input arguments and output results
 - Find API hotspots
 - Determine top ten data transfer and kernel execution operations
 - Identify failed API calls, resource leaks and best practices

Host Thread 1828 Summary				
Index	Interface	Parameters	Result	Device Block
7729	clEnqueueCopyBuffer	0x00C87BF0; 0x05513F78; 0x05513EE8; 0; 0; 16384; 0; NULL; NULL	CL_SUCCESS	16.0 KB COPY BUFFER
7730	clFinish	0x00C87BF0	CL_SUCCESS	
7731	clEnqueueReadBuffer	0x00C87BF0; 0x05513DC8; CL_TRUE; 0; 16384; 0x00A45510; 0; NULL; [0x054E2588]	CL_SUCCESS	16.0 KB READ BUFFER
7732	clWaitForEvents	1; [0x054E2588]	CL_SUCCESS	
7733	clReleaseEvent	0x054E2588	CL_SUCCESS	
7734	clEnqueueNDRangeKernel	0x00C87BF0; 0x058749D0; 1; NULL; [1024]; [256]; 0; NULL; NULL	CL_SUCCESS	nbody_sim
Find: Previous Next <input type="checkbox"/> Match case <input type="checkbox"/> Match regexp				

PROFILING WITH AMD APP PROFILER

What can APP Profiler do for you?

- Visualize OpenCL execution in a timeline chart
 - View number of OpenCL contexts and command queues created and the relationships between these items
 - View host and device execution operations
 - View data transfer operations
 - Determine proper synchronization and load balancing



PROFILING WITH AMD APP PROFILER

What can APP Profiler do for you?

- Analyze the OpenCL kernel execution for AMD Radeon GPUs
 - Collect GPU Performance Counters
 - The number of ALU, global and local memory instructions executed
 - GPU utilization and memory access characteristics
 - Shader Compiler VLIW packing efficiency
 - Show the kernel resource usages
 - View the AMD intermediate language (IL) and hardware disassembly (ISA)

APP Profiler Timeli...ession2\cltrace.atp)

APP Profiler Sessio...ssion4\Session4.csv) X

Launch CSV

View Options

☒ Show Kernel Dispatch

☐ Show Data Transfer

☐ Show Zero Column

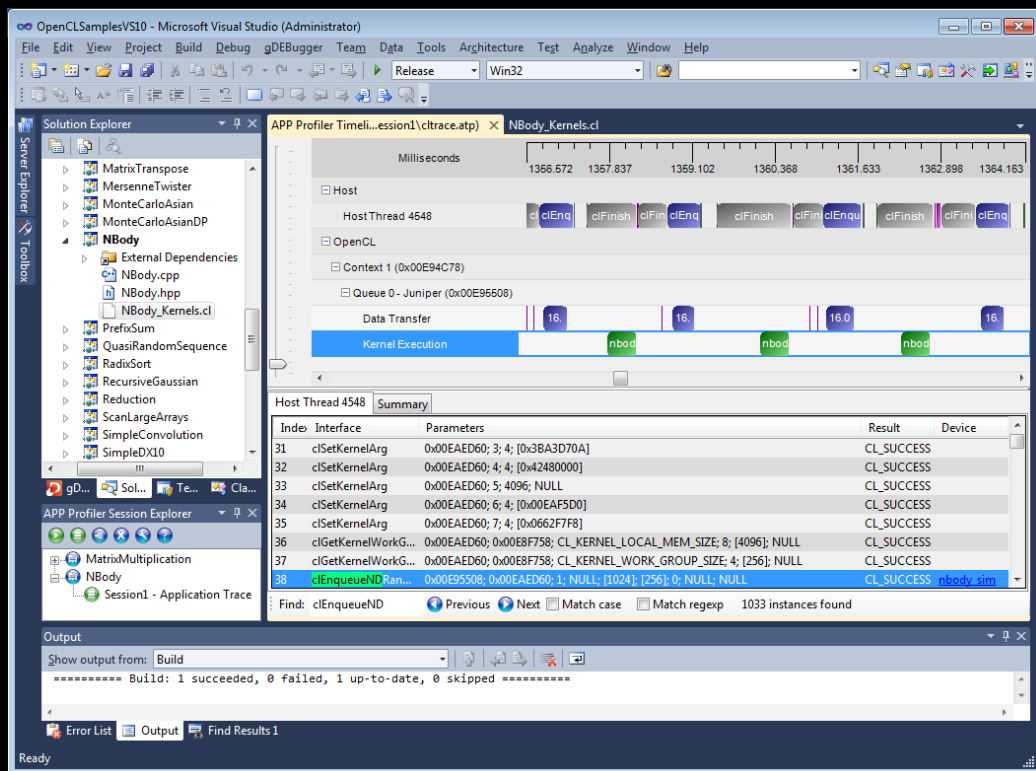
	Method	GlobalWorkSize	GroupWorkSize	Time	GPRs	Wavefronts	ALUPacking	FetchUnitBusy	WriteUnitStalled	LDSBankConflict
▶	nbody_sim_k1_Cypress1	{ 1024 1 1 }	{ 256 1 1 }	0.44044	8	64	32.01	0.10	0.02	0.02
	nbody_sim_k1_Cypress1	{ 1024 1 1 }	{ 256 1 1 }	0.43744	8	16	25	0.12	0	0

Uniform Random Noise Generator Sample

- A sample application provided with AMD APP SDK samples
- Each thread generates a uniform random deviation and applies to a pixel
- OpenCL kernel computes the deviation using a linear congruential generator proposed by Park and Miller
- The average of four neighboring pixels is used as the seed for each pixel



PROFILING WITH AMD APP PROFILER | DEMO



- Included with the AMD APP SDK v2 package
- Available as a separate download from <http://developer.amd.com/AMDAPPProfiler>

SUMMARY

gDEBugger for Microsoft Visual Studio

- API level debugging: view OpenCL buffers
- OpenCL kernel debugging on the GPU
 - Single step, set breakpoint and run to breakpoint
 - Inspect variables
- Call Stack and multi-watch view

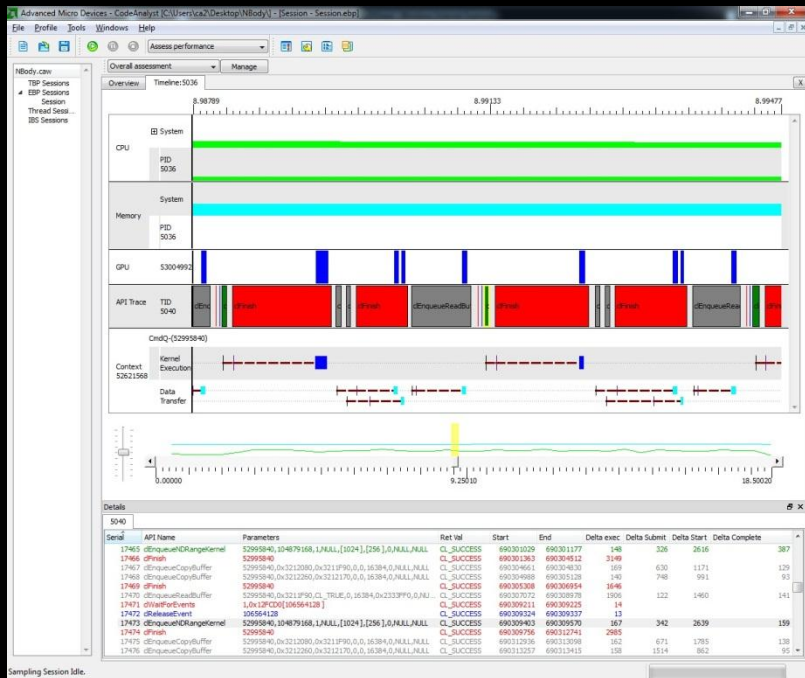
AMD APP Profiler

- Trace OpenCL API calls and visualize OpenCL execution
- Determine kernel execution vs data transfer bottleneck
- Determine synchronization issues
- Identify failed API calls, resource leaks and best practices
- Collect and analyze GPU performance counters of an OpenCL kernel



OTHER AMD DEVELOPER TOOLS

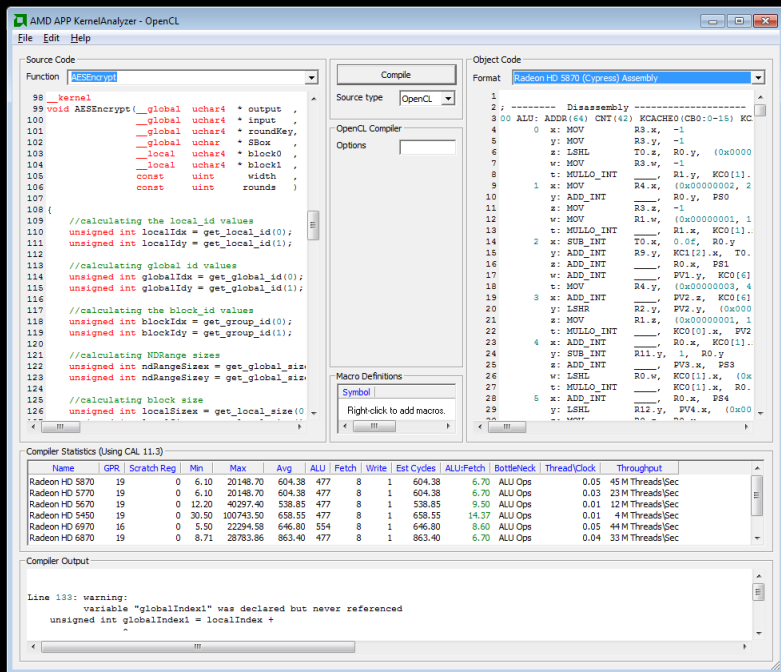
- **CodeAnalyst**: a system wide profiler to analyze the performance of applications (OpenCL ,C, C++, Java, Fortran), drivers and system software on AMD CPU, GPU and APU.



- Optimize heterogeneous computing applications
- Find performance hotspots and issues using AMD technology (time based profiling, event based profiling, instruction based profiling, thread profiling)
- Tune both managed (Java) and native code (OpenCL, C/C++, Fortran)
- Analyze programs on multi-core and NUMA platforms
- Available as a standalone product (Windows, Linux) and a Visual Studio plug-in
- <http://developer.amd.com/CodeAnalyst/>

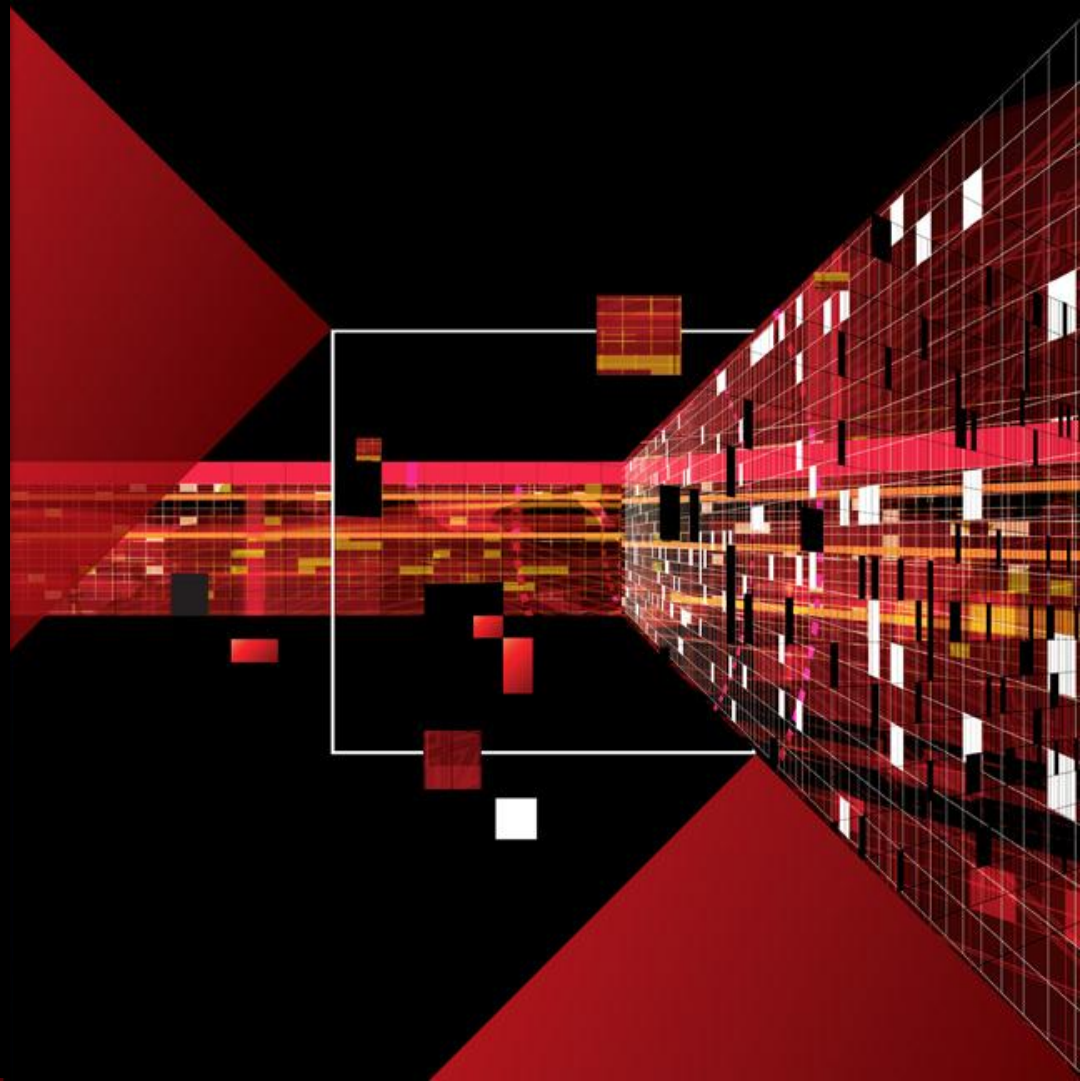
OTHER AMD DEVELOPER TOOLS

- **AMD APP KernelAnalyzer:** a static analysis tool to compile, analyze and disassemble an OpenCL kernel for AMD GPU products



- Compile and analyze for multiple Catalyst driver and GPU device targets
- View kernel compilation warning and error messages
- View AMD Intermediate Language (IL) and hardware disassembly (ISA) code
- View various statistics generated by analyzing the ISA code
- <http://developer.amd.com/AMDAPPKernelAnalyzer/>

QUESTIONS



Disclaimer & Attribution

The information presented in this document is for informational purposes only and may contain technical inaccuracies, omissions and typographical errors.

The information contained herein is subject to change and may be rendered inaccurate for many reasons, including but not limited to product and roadmap changes, component and motherboard version changes, new model and/or product releases, product differences between differing manufacturers, software changes, BIOS flashes, firmware upgrades, or the like. There is no obligation to update or otherwise correct or revise this information. However, we reserve the right to revise this information and to make changes from time to time to the content hereof without obligation to notify any person of such revisions or changes.

NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES ARE MADE WITH RESPECT TO THE CONTENTS HEREOF AND NO RESPONSIBILITY IS ASSUMED FOR ANY INACCURACIES, ERRORS OR OMISSIONS THAT MAY APPEAR IN THIS INFORMATION.

ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE ARE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED. IN NO EVENT WILL ANY LIABILITY TO ANY PERSON BE INCURRED FOR ANY DIRECT, INDIRECT, SPECIAL OR OTHER CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES ARISING FROM THE USE OF ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN, EVEN IF EXPRESSLY ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

AMD, the AMD arrow logo, and combinations thereof are trademarks of Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. All other names used in this presentation are for informational purposes only and may be trademarks of their respective owners.

OpenCL and OpenCL logo are trademarks of Apple Inc. used by permission by Khronos.

Microsoft and Visual Studio are registered trademarks of Microsoft Corporation in the United States and/or other jurisdictions.

© 2011 Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. All rights reserved.