HETEROGENEOUS CPU+GPU COMPUTING

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What have we covered?

- Preliminaries
- Part I: Introduction to CPU+GPU heterogeneous computing
  - Performance promise vs. challenges
- Part II: Programing models
- Part III: Workload partitioning models
  - Static vs. Dynamic partitioning
- Part IV: Static partitioning and Glinda

Slides available:
- Part V: Tools for (programming) heterogeneous systems
  - Low-level to high-level

- Take home message
Take home message [1]

- Heterogeneous computing works!
  - More resources.
  - Specialized resources.
- Most efforts in static partitioning and run-time systems
  - Glinda = static partitioning for single-kernel, data parallel applications
    - Now works for multi-kernel applications, too
  - StarPU, OmpSS = run-time based dynamic partitioning for multi-kernel, complex DAG applications
- Domain-specific efforts, too
  - HyGraph - graph processing
  - Cashmere – divide-and-conquer, distributed
Choose a system based on your application scenario:

- Single-kernel vs. multi-kernel
- Massive parallel vs. Data-dependent
- Single run vs. Multiple run
- Programming model of choice

There are models to cover combinations of these choices!
- No framework to combine them all – food for thought?
Future research directions

- More heterogeneous platforms
- Extension to more application classes
  - Multi-kernel with complex DAGs
  - (streaming applications, graph-processing applications)
- Integration with distributed systems
  - Intra-node workload partitioning + inter-node workload scheduling
- Extension of the partitioning model
  - Energy consumption
Open questions?

- Analytical modeling instead of profiling
  - Statistical modeling – ask me more!
- Extending to other type of workloads
  - Graph processing – ask me more!
- Performance portability
  - HPL/specialized OpenCL – ask me more!