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## User's Guide



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# OVERVIEW

The *CUDA Profiling Tools Interface* (CUPTI) enables the creation of profiling and tracing tools that target CUDA applications. CUPTI provides four APIs: *the Activity API*, the *Callback API*, the *Event API*, and the *Metric API*. Using these APIs, you can develop profiling tools that give insight into the CPU and GPU behavior of CUDA applications. CUPTI is delivered as a dynamic library on all platforms supported by CUDA.

## What's New

CUPTI contains below changes as part of the CUDA Toolkit 10.1 release.

- ▶ This release is focused on bug fixes and performance improvements.
- ▶ Event collection mode `CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_CONTINUOUS` is now supported on all device classes including Geforce and Quadro.
- ▶ Support for NVTX string registration API `nvtxDomainRegisterStringA()`.
- ▶ Added enum `CUpti_PcieGen` to list PCIE generations.

# Chapter 1.

## USAGE

### 1.1. CUPTI Compatibility and Requirements

New versions of the CUDA driver are backwards compatible with older versions of CUPTI. For example, a developer using a profiling tool based on CUPTI 9.0 can update to a more recently released CUDA driver. However, new versions of CUPTI are not backwards compatible with older versions of the CUDA driver. For example, a developer using a profiling tool based on CUPTI 9.0 must have a version of the CUDA driver released with CUDA Toolkit 9.0 (or later) installed as well. CUPTI calls will fail with `CUPTI_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED` if the CUDA driver version is not compatible with the CUPTI version.

### 1.2. CUPTI Initialization

CUPTI initialization occurs lazily the first time you invoke any CUPTI function. For the Activity, Event, Metric, and Callback APIs there are no requirements on when this initialization must occur (i.e. you can invoke the first CUPTI function at any point). See the CUPTI Activity API section for more information on CUPTI initialization requirements for the activity API.

### 1.3. CUPTI Activity API

The CUPTI Activity API allows you to asynchronously collect a trace of an application's CPU and GPU CUDA activity. The following terminology is used by the activity API.

#### **Activity Record**

CPU and GPU activity is reported in C data structures called activity records. There is a different C structure type for each activity kind (e.g. `CUpti_ActivityMemcpy`). Records are generically referred to using the `CUpti_Activity` type. This

type contains only a field that indicates the kind of the activity record. Using this kind, the object can be cast from the generic `CUpti_Activity` type to the specific type representing the activity. See the `printActivity` function in the [activity\\_trace\\_async](#) sample for an example.

### Activity Buffer

An activity buffer is used to transfer one or more activity records from CUPTI to the client. CUPTI fills activity buffers with activity records as the corresponding activities occur on the CPU and GPU. The CUPTI client is responsible for providing empty activity buffers as necessary to ensure that no records are dropped.

An *asynchronous* buffering API is implemented by `cuptiActivityRegisterCallbacks` and `cuptiActivityFlushAll`.

It is not required that the activity API be initialized before CUDA initialization. All related activities occurring after initializing the activity API are collected. You can force initialization of the activity API by enabling one or more activity kinds using `cuptiActivityEnable` or `cuptiActivityEnableContext`, as shown in the `initTrace` function of the [activity\\_trace\\_async](#) sample. Some activity kinds cannot be directly enabled, see the API documentation for `CUpti_ActivityKind` for details. The functions `cuptiActivityEnable` and `cuptiActivityEnableContext` will return `CUPTI_ERROR_NOT_COMPATIBLE` if the requested activity kind cannot be enabled.

The activity buffer API uses callbacks to request and return buffers of activity records. To use the asynchronous buffering API, you must first register two callbacks using `cuptiActivityRegisterCallbacks`. One of these callbacks will be invoked whenever CUPTI needs an empty activity buffer. The other callback is used to deliver a buffer containing one or more activity records to the client. To minimize profiling overhead the client should return as quickly as possible from these callbacks. The function `cuptiActivityFlushAll` can be used to force CUPTI to deliver any activity buffers that contain completed activity records. The functions `cuptiActivityGetAttribute` and `cuptiActivitySetAttribute` can be used to read and write attributes that control how the buffering API behaves. See the API documentation for more information.

The [activity\\_trace\\_async](#) sample shows how to use the activity buffer API to collect a trace of CPU and GPU activity for a simple application.

## 1.3.1. SASS Source Correlation

While high-level languages for GPU programming like CUDA C offer a useful level of abstraction, convenience, and maintainability, they inherently hide some of the details of the execution on the hardware. It is sometimes helpful to analyze performance problems for a kernel at the assembly instruction level. Reading assembly language is tedious and challenging; CUPTI can help you to build the correlation between lines in your high-level source code and the executed assembly instructions.

Building SASS source correlation for a PC can be split into two parts:

- ▶ Correlation of the PC to SASS instruction - subscribe to any one of the `CUPTI_CBID_RESOURCE_MODULE_LOADED`, `CUPTI_CBID_RESOURCE_MODULE_UNLOAD_STARTING`, or `CUPTI_CBID_RESOURCE_MODULE_PROFILED` callbacks. This returns a `CUpti_ModuleResourceData` structure having the CUDA binary. The binary can be disassembled using the `nvdisasm` utility that comes with the CUDA toolkit. An application can have multiple functions and modules, to uniquely identify there is a `functionId` field in all source level activity records. This uniquely corresponds to a `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_FUNCTION`, which has the unique module ID and function ID in the module.
- ▶ Correlation of the SASS instruction to CUDA source line - every source level activity has a `sourceLocatorId` field which uniquely maps to a record of kind `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_SOURCE_LOCATOR`, containing the line and file name information. Please note that multiple PCs can correspond to a single source line.

When any source level activity (global access, branch, PC Sampling, etc.) is enabled, a source locator record is generated for the PCs that have the source level results. The record `CUpti_ActivityInstructionCorrelation` can be used, along with source level activities, to generate SASS assembly instructions to CUDA C source code mapping for all the PCs of the function, and not just the PCs that have the source level results. This can be enabled using the activity kind `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_INSTRUCTION_CORRELATION`.

The [sass\\_source\\_map](#) sample shows how to map SASS assembly instructions to CUDA C source.

### 1.3.2. PC Sampling

CUPTI supports device-wide sampling of the program counter (PC). The PC Sampling gives the number of samples for each source and assembly line with various stall reasons. Using this information, you can pinpoint portions of your kernel that are introducing latencies and the reason for the latency. Samples are taken in round robin order for all active warps at a fixed number of cycles, regardless of whether the warp is issuing an instruction or not.

Devices with compute capability 6.0 and higher have a new feature that gives latency reasons. The latency samples indicate the reasons for holes in the issue pipeline. While collecting these samples, there is no instruction issued in the respective warp scheduler, hence these give the latency reasons. The latency reasons will be one of the stall reasons listed in the enum `CUpti_ActivityPCSamplingStallReason`, except stall reason `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_PC_SAMPLING_STALL_NOT_SELECTED`.

The activity record `CUpti_ActivityPCSampling3`, enabled using activity kind `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_PC_SAMPLING`, outputs the stall reason along with PC and other related information. The enum `CUpti_ActivityPCSamplingStallReason` lists all the stall reasons. Sampling period is configurable and can be tuned using

API `cuptiActivityConfigurePCSampling`. A wide range of sampling periods, ranging from  $2^5$  cycles to  $2^{31}$  cycles per sample, is supported. This can be controlled through the field `samplingPeriod2` in the PC sampling configuration struct `CUpti_ActivityPCSamplingConfig`. The activity record `CUpti_ActivityPCSamplingRecordInfo` provides the total and dropped samples for each kernel profiled for PC sampling.

This feature is available on devices with compute capability 5.2 and higher, excluding mobile devices.

The [pc\\_sampling](#) sample shows how to use these APIs to collect PC Sampling profiling information for a kernel.

### 1.3.3. NVLink

NVIDIA NVLink is a high-bandwidth, energy-efficient interconnect that enables fast communication between the CPU and GPU, and between GPUs. CUPTI provides NVLink topology information and NVLink transmit/receive throughput metrics.

The activity record `CUpti_ActivityNVLink2`, enabled using activity kind `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_NVLink`, outputs NVLink topology information in terms of logical NVLinks. A logical NVLink is connected between 2 devices, the device can be of type NPU (NVLink Processing Unit), which can be CPU or GPU. Each device can support up to 6 NVLinks, hence one logical link can comprise of 1 to 6 physical NVLinks. The field `physicalNvLinkCount` gives the number of physical links in this logical link. The fields `portDev0` and `portDev1` give information about the slot in which physical NVLinks are connected for a logical link. This port is the same as the instance of NVLink metrics profiled from a device. Therefore, port and instance information should be used to correlate the per-instance metric values with the physical NVLinks, and in turn to the topology. The field `flag` gives the properties of a logical link, whether the link has access to system memory or peer device memory, and has capabilities to do system memory or peer memory atomics. The field `bandwidth` gives the bandwidth of the logical link in kilobytes/sec.

CUPTI provides some metrics for each physical link. Metrics are provided for data transmitted/received, transmit/receive throughput, and header versus user data overhead for each physical NVLink. These metrics are also provided per packet type (read/write/ atomics/response) to get more detailed insight in the NVLink traffic.

This feature is available on devices with compute capability 6.0 and 7.0.

The [nvlink\\_bandwidth](#) sample shows how to use these APIs to collect NVLink metrics and topology, as well as how to correlate metrics with the topology.

### 1.3.4. OpenACC

On Linux x86\_64, CUPTI supports collecting information for OpenACC applications using the OpenACC tools interface implementation of the PGI runtime. In addition to being available only on 64bit Linux platforms, this feature also requires PGI runtime version 15.7 or higher.

The activity records `CUpti_ActivityOpenAccData`, `CUpti_ActivityOpenAccLaunch`, and `CUpti_ActivityOpenAccOther` are created, representing the three groups of callback events specified in the OpenACC tools interface. `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_OPENACC_DATA`, `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_OPENACC_LAUNCH`, and `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_OPENACC_OTHER` can be enabled to collect the respective activity records.

Due to the restrictions of the OpenACC tools interface, CUPTI cannot record OpenACC records from within the client application. Instead, a shared library that exports the `acc_register_library` function defined in the OpenACC tools interface specification must be implemented. Parameters passed into this function from the OpenACC runtime can be used to initialize the CUPTI OpenACC measurement using `cuptiOpenACCInitialize`. Before starting the client application, the environment variable `ACC_PROFLIB` must be set to point to this shared library.

`cuptiOpenACCInitialize` is defined in `cupti_openacc.h`, which is included by `cupti_activity.h`. Since the CUPTI OpenACC header is only available on supported platforms, CUPTI clients must define `CUPTI_OPENACC_SUPPORT` when compiling.

The [openacc\\_trace](#) sample shows how to use CUPTI APIs for OpenACC data collection.

### 1.3.5. External Correlation

Starting with CUDA 8.0, CUPTI supports correlation of CUDA API activity records with external APIs. Such APIs include OpenACC, OpenMP, and MPI. This associates CUPTI correlation IDs with IDs provided by the external API. Both IDs are stored in a new activity record of type `CUpti_ActivityExternalCorrelation`.

CUPTI maintains a stack of external correlation IDs per CPU thread and per `CUpti_ExternalCorrelationKind`. Clients must use `cuptiActivityPushExternalCorrelationId` to push an external ID of a specific kind to this stack and `cuptiActivityPopExternalCorrelationId` to remove the latest ID. If a CUDA API activity record is generated while any `CUpti_ExternalCorrelationKind`-stack on the same CPU thread is non-empty, one `CUpti_ActivityExternalCorrelation` record per `CUpti_ExternalCorrelationKind`-stack is inserted into the activity buffer before the respective CUDA API activity record. The CUPTI client is responsible for tracking

passed external API correlation IDs, in order to eventually associate external API calls with CUDA API calls.

If both `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_EXTERNAL_CORRELATION` and any of `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_OPENACC_*` activity kinds are enabled, CUPTI will generate external correlation activity records for OpenACC with `externalKind CUPTI_EXTERNAL_CORRELATION_KIND_OPENACC`.

## 1.4. CUPTI Callback API

The CUPTI Callback API allows you to register a callback into your own code. Your callback will be invoked when the application being profiled calls a CUDA runtime or driver function, or when certain events occur in the CUDA driver. The following terminology is used by the callback API.

### Callback Domain

Callbacks are grouped into domains to make it easier to associate your callback functions with groups of related CUDA functions or events. There are currently four callback domains, as defined by `CUpti_CallbackDomain`: a domain for CUDA runtime functions, a domain for CUDA driver functions, a domain for CUDA resource tracking, and a domain for CUDA synchronization notification.

### Callback ID

Each callback is given a unique ID within the corresponding callback domain so that you can identify it within your callback function. The CUDA driver API IDs are defined in `cupti_driver_cbid.h` and the CUDA runtime API IDs are defined in `cupti_runtime_cbid.h`. Both of these headers are included for you when you include `cupti.h`. The CUDA resource callback IDs are defined by `CUpti_CallbackIdResource`, and the CUDA synchronization callback IDs are defined by `CUpti_CallbackIdSync`.

### Callback Function

Your callback function must be of type `CUpti_CallbackFunc`. This function type has two arguments that specify the callback domain and ID so that you know why the callback is occurring. The type also has a `cbdata` argument that is used to pass data specific to the callback.

### Subscriber

A subscriber is used to associate each of your callback functions with one or more CUDA API functions. There can be at most one subscriber initialized with `cuptiSubscribe()` at any time. Before initializing a new subscriber, the existing subscriber must be finalized with `cuptiUnsubscribe()`.

Each callback domain is described in detail below. Unless explicitly stated, it is not supported to call any CUDA runtime or driver API from within a callback function. Doing so may cause the application to hang.

## 1.4.1. Driver and Runtime API Callbacks

Using the callback API with the CUPTI\_CB\_DOMAIN\_DRIVER\_API or CUPTI\_CB\_DOMAIN\_RUNTIME\_API domains, you can associate a callback function with one or more CUDA API functions. When those CUDA functions are invoked in the application, your callback function is invoked as well. For these domains, the cbdata argument to your callback function will be of the type CUpti\_CallbackData.

It is legal to call cudaThreadSynchronize(), cudaDeviceSynchronize(), cudaStreamSynchronize(), cuCtxSynchronize(), and cuStreamSynchronize() from within a driver or runtime API callback function.

The following code shows a typical sequence used to associate a callback function with one or more CUDA API functions. To simplify the presentation, error checking code has been removed.

```
CUpti_SubscriberHandle subscriber;
MyDataStruct *my_data = ...;
...
cuprtSubscribe(&subscriber,
               (CUpti_CallbackFunc)my_callback , my_data);
cuprtEnableDomain(1, subscriber,
                  CUPTI_CB_DOMAIN_RUNTIME_API);
```

First, cuprtSubscribe is used to initialize a subscriber with the my\_callback callback function. Next, cuprtEnableDomain is used to associate that callback with all the CUDA runtime API functions. Using this code sequence will cause my\_callback to be called twice each time any of the CUDA runtime API functions are invoked, once on entry to the CUDA function and once just before exit from the CUDA function. CUPTI callback API functions cuprtEnableCallback and cuprtEnableAllDomains can also be used to associate CUDA API functions with a callback (see reference below for more information).

The following code shows a typical callback function.

```
void CUPTIAPI
my_callback(void *userdata, CUpti_CallbackDomain domain,
            CUpti_CallbackId cbid, const void *cbdata)
{
    const CUpti_CallbackData *cbInfo = (CUpti_CallbackData *)cbdata;
    MyDataStruct *my_data = (MyDataStruct *)userdata;

    if ((domain == CUPTI_CB_DOMAIN_RUNTIME_API) &&
        (cbid == CUPTI_RUNTIME_TRACE_CBID_cudaMemcpy_v3020)) {
        if (cbInfo->callbackSite == CUPTI_API_ENTER) {
            cudaMemcpy_v3020_params *funcParams =
                (cudaMemcpy_v3020_params *) (cbInfo->
                    functionParams);

            size_t count = funcParams->count;
            enum cudaMemcpyKind kind = funcParams->kind;
            ...
        }
    }
    ...
}
```

In your callback function, you use the `CUpti_CallbackDomain` and `CUpti_CallbackID` parameters to determine which CUDA API function invocation is causing this callback. In the example above, we are checking for the CUDA runtime `cudaMemcpy` function. The `cbdata` parameter holds a structure of useful information that can be used within the callback. In this case, we use the `callbackSite` member of the structure to detect that the callback is occurring on entry to `cudaMemcpy`, and we use the `functionParams` member to access the parameters that were passed to `cudaMemcpy`. To access the parameters, we first cast `functionParams` to a structure type corresponding to the `cudaMemcpy` function. These parameter structures are contained in `generated_cuda_runtime_api_meta.h`, `generated_cuda_meta.h`, and a number of other files. When possible, these files are included for you by `cupti.h`.

The `callback_event` and `callback_timestamp` samples described on the [samples page](#) both show how to use the callback API for the driver and runtime API domains.

## 1.4.2. Resource Callbacks

Using the callback API with the `CUPTI_CB_DOMAIN_RESOURCE` domain, you can associate a callback function with some CUDA resource creation and destruction events. For example, when a CUDA context is created, your callback function will be invoked with a callback ID equal to `CUPTI_CBID_RESOURCE_CONTEXT_CREATED`. For this domain, the `cbdata` argument to your callback function will be of the type `CUpti_ResourceData`.

Note that APIs `cuptiActivityFlush` and `cuptiActivityFlushAll` will result in deadlock when called from stream destroy starting callback identified using callback ID `CUPTI_CBID_RESOURCE_STREAM_DESTROY_STARTING`.

## 1.4.3. Synchronization Callbacks

Using the callback API with the `CUPTI_CB_DOMAIN_SYNCHRONIZE` domain, you can associate a callback function with CUDA context and stream synchronizations. For example, when a CUDA context is synchronized, your callback function will be invoked with a callback ID equal to `CUPTI_CBID_SYNCHRONIZE_CONTEXT_SYNCHRONIZED`. For this domain, the `cbdata` argument to your callback function will be of the type `CUpti_SynchronizeData`.

## 1.4.4. NVIDIA Tools Extension Callbacks

Using the callback API with the `CUPTI_CB_DOMAIN_NVTX` domain, you can associate a callback function with NVIDIA Tools Extension (NVTX) API functions. When an NVTX function is invoked in the application, your callback function is invoked as well. For these domains, the `cbdata` argument to your callback function will be of the type `CUpti_NvtxData`.

The NVTX library has its own convention for discovering the profiling library that will provide the implementation of the NVTX callbacks. To receive callbacks, you must set the NVTX environment variables appropriately so that when the application calls an NVTX function, your profiling library receives the callbacks. The following code sequence shows a typical initialization sequence to enable NVTX callbacks and activity records.

```
/* Set env so CUPTI-based profiling library loads on first nvtx call. */
char *inj32_path = "/path/to/32-bit/version/of/cupti/based/profiling/library";
char *inj64_path = "/path/to/64-bit/version/of/cupti/based/profiling/library";
setenv("NVTX_INJECTION32_PATH", inj32_path, 1);
setenv("NVTX_INJECTION64_PATH", inj64_path, 1);
```

The following code shows a typical sequence used to associate a callback function with one or more NVTX functions. To simplify the presentation, error checking code has been removed.

```
CUpti_SubscriberHandle subscriber;
MyDataStruct *my_data = ...;
...
cuptiSubscribe(&subscriber,
               (CUpti_CallbackFunc)my_callback , my_data);
cuptiEnableDomain(1, subscriber,
                  CUPTI_CB_DOMAIN_NVTX);
```

First, `cuptiSubscribe` is used to initialize a subscriber with the `my_callback` callback function. Next, `cuptiEnableDomain` is used to associate that callback with all the NVTX functions. Using this code sequence will cause `my_callback` to be called once each time any of the NVTX functions are invoked. CUPTI callback API functions `cuptiEnableCallback` and `cuptiEnableAllDomains` can also be used to associate NVTX API functions with a callback (see reference below for more information).

The following code shows a typical callback function.

```
void CUPTIAPI
my_callback(void *userdata, CUpti_CallbackDomain domain,
            CUpti_CallbackId cbid, const void *cbdata)
{
    const CUpti_NvtxDat *nvtxInfo = (CUpti_NvtxDat *)cbdata;
    MyDataStruct *my_data = (MyDataStruct *)userdata;

    if ((domain == CUPTI_CB_DOMAIN_NVTX) &&
        (cbid == NVTX_CBID_CORE_NameOsThreadA)) {
        nvtxNameOsThreadA_params *params = (nvtxNameOsThreadA_params *)nvtxInfo->
            functionParams;
        ...
    }
    ...
}
```

In your callback function, you use the `CUpti_CallbackDomain` and `CUpti_CallbackID` parameters to determine which NVTX API function invocation is causing this callback. In the example above, we are checking for the `nvtxNameOsThreadA` function. The `cbdata` parameter holds a structure of useful information that can be used within the callback. In this case, we use the `functionParams` member to access the parameters that were passed to `nvtxNameOsThreadA`. To access the parameters, we first cast `functionParams` to a

structure type corresponding to the `nvtxNameOsThreadA` function. These parameter structures are contained in `generated_nvtx_meta.h`.

## 1.5. CUPTI Event API

The CUPTI Event API allows you to query, configure, start, stop, and read the event counters on a CUDA-enabled device. The following terminology is used by the event API.

### Event

An event is a countable activity, action, or occurrence on a device.

### Event ID

Each event is assigned a unique identifier. A named event will represent the same activity, action, or occurrence on all device types. But the named event may have different IDs on different device families. Use `cuprtiEventGetIdFromName` to get the ID for a named event on a particular device.

### Event Category

Each event is placed in one of the categories defined by `CUpti_EventCategory`.

The category indicates the general type of activity, action, or occurrence measured by the event.

### Event Domain

A device exposes one or more event domains. Each event domain represents a group of related events available on that device. A device may have multiple instances of a domain, indicating that the device can simultaneously record multiple instances of each event within that domain.

### Event Group

An event group is a collection of events that are managed together. The number and type of events that can be added to an event group are subject to device-specific limits. At any given time, a device may be configured to count events from a limited number of event groups. All events in an event group must belong to the same event domain.

### Event Group Set

An event group set is a collection of event groups that can be enabled at the same time. Event group sets are created by `cuprtiEventGroupSetsCreate` and `cuprtiMetricCreateEventGroupSets`.

You can determine the events available on a device using the `cuprtiDeviceEnumEventDomains` and `cuprtiEventDomainEnumEvents` functions. The **cuprti\_query** sample described on the [samples page](#) shows how to use these functions. You can also enumerate all the CUPTI events available on any device using the `cuprtiEnumEventDomains` function.

Configuring and reading event counts requires the following steps. First, select your event collection mode. If you want to count events that occur during the execution of a kernel, use `cuprtiSetEventCollectionMode` to set mode

`CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_KERNEL`. If you want to continuously sample the event counts, use mode `CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_CONTINUOUS`. Next, determine the names of the events that you want to count, and then use the `cuptiEventGroupCreate`, `cuptiEventGetIdFromName`, and `cuptiEventGroupAddEvent` functions to create and initialize an event group with those events. If you are unable to add all the events to a single event group, then you will need to create multiple event groups. Alternatively, you can use the `cuptiEventGroupSetsCreate` function to automatically create the event group(s) required for a set of events.

To begin counting a set of events, enable the event group or groups that contain those events by using the `cuptiEventGroupEnable` function. If your events are contained in multiple event groups, you may be unable to enable all of the event groups at the same time, due to device limitations. In this case, you can gather the events across multiple executions of the application or you can enable kernel replay. If you enable kernel replay using `cuptiEnableKernelReplayMode`, you will be able to enable any number of event groups and all the contained events will be collected.

Use the `cuptiEventGroupReadEvent` and/or `cuptiEventGroupReadAllEvents` functions to read the event values. When you are done collecting events, use the `cuptiEventGroupDisable` function to stop counting the events contained in an event group. The **callback\_event** sample described on the [samples page](#) shows how to use these functions to create, enable, and disable event groups, and how to read event counts.



For event collection mode `CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_KERNEL`, event or metric collection may significantly change the overall performance characteristics of the application because all kernel executions that occur between the `cuptiEventGroupEnable` and `cuptiEventGroupDisable` calls are serialized on the GPU. This can be avoided by using mode `CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_CONTINUOUS`, and restricting profiling to events and metrics that can be collected in a single pass.



All the events and metrics except NVLink metrics are collected at the context level, irrespective of the event collection mode. That is, events or metrics can be attributed to the context being profiled and values can be accurately collected, when multiple contexts are executing on the GPU. NVLink metrics are collected at device level for all event collection modes.

In a system with multiple GPUs, events can be collected simultaneously on all the GPUs; in other words, event profiling doesn't enforce any serialization of work across GPUs. The [event\\_multi\\_gpu](#) sample shows how to use the CUPTI event and CUDA APIs on such setups.

## 1.5.1. Collecting Kernel Execution Events

A common use of the event API is to count a set of events during the execution of a kernel (as demonstrated by the **callback\_event** sample). The following code shows a typical callback used for this purpose. Assume that the callback was enabled only for a kernel launch using the CUDA runtime (i.e., by `cuptiEnableCallback(1, subscriber, CUPTI_CB_DOMAIN_RUNTIME_API, CUPTI_RUNTIME_TRACE_CBID_cudaLaunch_v3020)`). To simplify the presentation, error checking code has been removed.

```
static void CUPTIAPI
getEventValueCallback(void *userdata,
                      CUpti_CallbackDomain domain,
                      CUpti_CallbackId cbid,
                      const void *cbdata)
{
    const CUpti_CallbackData *cbData =
        (CUpti_CallbackData *)cbdata;

    if (cbData->callbackSite == CUPTI_API_ENTER) {
        cudaDeviceSynchronize();
        cuptiSetEventCollectionMode(cbInfo->context,
                                    CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_KERNEL);
        cuptiEventGroupEnable(eventGroup);
    }

    if (cbData->callbackSite == CUPTI_API_EXIT) {
        cudaDeviceSynchronize();
        cuptiEventGroupReadEvent(eventGroup,
                                  CUPTI_EVENT_READ_FLAG_NONE,
                                  eventId,
                                  &bytesRead, &eventVal);

        cuptiEventGroupDisable(eventGroup);
    }
}
```

Two synchronization points are used to ensure that events are counted only for the execution of the kernel. If the application contains other threads that launch kernels, then additional thread-level synchronization must also be introduced to ensure that those threads do not launch kernels while the callback is collecting events. When the `cudaLaunch` API is entered (that is, before the kernel is actually launched on the device), `cudaDeviceSynchronize` is used to wait until the GPU is idle. The event collection mode is set to `CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_KERNEL` so that the event counters are automatically started and stopped just before and after the kernel executes. Then event collection is enabled with `cuptiEventGroupEnable`.

When the `cudaLaunch` API is exited (that is, after the kernel is queued for execution on the GPU) another `cudaDeviceSynchronize` is used to cause the CPU thread to wait for the kernel to finish execution. Finally, the event counts are read with `cuptiEventGroupReadEvent`.

## 1.5.2. Sampling Events

The event API can also be used to sample event values while a kernel or kernels are executing (as demonstrated by the **event\_sampling** sample). The sample shows one possible way to perform the sampling. The event collection mode is set to `CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_CONTINUOUS` so that the event counters run continuously. Two threads are used in **event\_sampling**: one thread schedules the kernels and memcpys that perform the computation, while another thread wakes up periodically to sample an event counter. In this sample, there is no correlation of the event samples with what is happening on the GPU. To get some coarse correlation, you can use `cuptiDeviceGetTimestamp` to collect the GPU timestamp at the time of the sample and also at other interesting points in your application.

## 1.6. CUPTI Metric API

The CUPTI Metric API allows you to collect application metrics calculated from one or more event values. The following terminology is used by the metric API.

### Metric

A characteristic of an application that is calculated from one or more event values.

### Metric ID

Each metric is assigned a unique identifier. A named metric will represent the same characteristic on all device types. But the named metric may have different IDs on different device families. Use `cuptiMetricGetIdFromName` to get the ID for a named metric on a particular device.

### Metric Category

Each metric is placed in one of the categories defined by `CUpti_MetricCategory`. The category indicates the general type of the characteristic measured by the metric.

### Metric Property

Each metric is calculated from input values. These input values can be events or properties of the device or system. The available properties are defined by `CUpti_MetricPropertyID`.

### Metric Value

Each metric has a value that represents one of the kinds defined by `CUpti_MetricValueKind`. For each value kind, there is a corresponding member of the `CUpti_MetricValue` union that is used to hold the metric's value.

The tables included in this section list the metrics available for each device, as determined by the device's compute capability. You can also determine the metrics available on a device using the `cuptiDeviceEnumMetrics` function. The **cupti\_query** sample described on the [samples page](#) shows how to use this function. You can also enumerate all the CUPTI metrics available on any device using the `cuptiEnumMetrics` function.

CUPTI provides two functions for calculating a metric value. `cuptiMetricGetValue2` can be used to calculate a metric value when the device is not available. All required event values and metric properties must be provided by the caller. `cuptiMetricGetValue` can be used to calculate a metric value when the device is available (as a `CUdevice` object). All required event values must be provided by the caller, but CUPTI will determine the appropriate property values from the `CUdevice` object.

Configuring and calculating metric values requires the following steps. First, determine the name of the metric that you want to collect, and then use the `cuptiMetricGetIdFromName` to get the metric ID. Use `cuptiMetricEnumEvents` to get the events required to calculate the metric, and follow instructions in the CUPTI Event API section to create the event groups for those events. When creating event groups in this manner, it is important to use the result of `cuptiMetricGetRequiredEventGroupSets` to properly group together events that must be collected in the same pass to ensure proper metric calculation.

Alternatively, you can use the `cuptiMetricCreateEventGroupSets` function to automatically create the event group(s) required for metrics' events. When using this function, events will be grouped as required to most accurately calculate the metric; as a result, it is not necessary to use `cuptiMetricGetRequiredEventGroupSets`.

If you are using `cuptiMetricGetValue2`, then you must also collect the required metric property values using `cuptiMetricEnumProperties`.

Collect event counts as described in the CUPTI Event API section, and then use either `cuptiMetricGetValue` or `cuptiMetricGetValue2` to calculate the metric value from the collected event and property values. The **callback\_metric** sample described on the [samples page](#) shows how to use the functions to calculate event values and calculate a metric using `cuptiMetricGetValue`. Note that as shown in the example, you should collect event counts from all domain instances, and normalize the counts to get the most accurate metric values. It is necessary to normalize the event counts because the number of event counter instances varies by device and by the event being counted.

For example, a device might have 8 multiprocessors but only have event counters for 4 of the multiprocessors, and might have 3 memory units and only have events counters for one memory unit. When calculating a metric that requires a multiprocessor event and a memory unit event, the 4 multiprocessor counters should be summed and multiplied by 2 to normalize the event count across the entire device. Similarly, the one memory unit counter should be multiplied by 3 to normalize the event count across the entire device. The normalized values can then be passed to `cuptiMetricGetValue` or `cuptiMetricGetValue2` to calculate the metric value.

As described, the normalization assumes the kernel executes a sufficient number of blocks to completely load the device. If the kernel has only a small number of blocks, normalizing across the entire device may skew the result.



Starting CUDA Toolkit 10.0, events and metrics APIs from headers `cupti_events.h` and `cupti_metrics.h` respectively are not supported for devices with compute capability 7.5 and higher. A new set of metric APIs are added for devices with compute capability 7.0 and higher. These provide low and deterministic profiling overhead on the target system. These APIs are currently supported on Linux x86 64-bit and Windows 64-bit platforms, but not on IBM POWER, Mac and Tegra platforms. Note that both the old and new metric APIs are supported for compute capability 7.0. This is to enable transition of code to the new metric APIs. But one cannot mix the usage of the old and new metric APIs. Refer to the [CUPTI web page](#) for documentation and details for these new APIs.

## 1.6.1. Metrics Reference

This section contains detailed descriptions of the metrics that can be collected by the CUPTI. A scope value of "Single-context" indicates that the metric can only be accurately collected when a single context (CUDA or graphics) is executing on the GPU. A scope value of "Multi-context" indicates that the metric can be accurately collected when multiple contexts are executing on the GPU. A scope value of "Device" indicates that the metric will be collected at device level, that is, it will include values for all the contexts executing on the GPU.

### 1.6.1.1. Metrics for Capability 3.x

Devices with compute capability 3.x implement the metrics shown in the following table. Note that for some metrics, the "Multi-context" scope is supported only for specific devices. Such metrics are marked with "Multi-context\*" under the "Scope" column. Refer to the note at the bottom of the table.

Table 1 Capability 3.x Metrics

| Metric Name            | Description                                                                                                                                      | Scope         |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| achieved_occupancy     | Ratio of the average active warps per active cycle to the maximum number of warps supported on a multiprocessor                                  | Multi-context |
| alu_fu_utilization     | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute integer and floating-point arithmetic instructions on a scale of 0 to 10 | Multi-context |
| atomic_replay_overhead | Average number of replays due to atomic and reduction bank conflicts for each instruction executed                                               | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                     | Scope          |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| atomic_throughput               | Global memory atomic and reduction throughput                                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context  |
| atomic_transactions             | Global memory atomic and reduction transactions                                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context  |
| atomic_transactions_per_request | Average number of global memory atomic and reduction transactions performed for each atomic and reduction instruction                                                                           | Multi-context  |
| branch_efficiency               | Ratio of non-divergent branches to total branches expressed as percentage. This is available for compute capability 3.0.                                                                        | Multi-context  |
| cf_executed                     | Number of executed control-flow instructions                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context  |
| cf_fu_utilization               | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute control-flow instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                         | Multi-context  |
| cf_issued                       | Number of issued control-flow instructions                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context  |
| dram_read_throughput            | Device memory read throughput. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                                       | Multi-context* |
| dram_read_transactions          | Device memory read transactions. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                                     | Multi-context* |
| dram_utilization                | The utilization level of the device memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                               | Multi-context* |
| dram_write_throughput           | Device memory write throughput. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                                      | Multi-context* |
| dram_write_transactions         | Device memory write transactions. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                                    | Multi-context* |
| ecc_throughput                  | ECC throughput from L2 to DRAM. This is available for compute capability 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                                           | Multi-context* |
| ecc_transactions                | Number of ECC transactions between L2 and DRAM. This is available for compute capability 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                           | Multi-context* |
| eligible_warps_per_cycle        | Average number of warps that are eligible to issue per active cycle                                                                                                                             | Multi-context  |
| flop_count_dp                   | Number of double-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count. | Multi-context  |
| flop_count_dp_add               | Number of double-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                     | Multi-context  |
| flop_count_dp_fma               | Number of double-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed                                                                                                               | Multi-context  |

| Metric Name                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Scope          |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
|                              | by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count.                                                                                                                                                      |                |
| flop_count_dp_mul            | Number of double-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context  |
| flop_count_sp                | Number of single-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count. The count does not include special operations. | Multi-context  |
| flop_count_sp_add            | Number of single-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context  |
| flop_count_sp_fma            | Number of single-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count.                                                                    | Multi-context  |
| flop_count_sp_mul            | Number of single-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context  |
| flop_count_sp_special        | Number of single-precision floating-point special operations executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                                                                | Multi-context  |
| flop_dp_efficiency           | Ratio of achieved to peak double-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context  |
| flop_sp_efficiency           | Ratio of achieved to peak single-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context  |
| gld_efficiency               | Ratio of requested global memory load throughput to required global memory load throughput expressed as percentage                                                                                                                             | Multi-context* |
| gld_requested_throughput     | Requested global memory load throughput                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context  |
| gld_throughput               | Global memory load throughput                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context* |
| gld_transactions             | Number of global memory load transactions                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context* |
| gld_transactions_per_request | Average number of global memory load transactions performed for each global memory load                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context* |
| global_cache_replay_overhead | Average number of replays due to global memory cache misses for each instruction executed                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context  |
| global_replay_overhead       | Average number of replays due to global memory cache misses                                                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context  |
| gst_efficiency               | Ratio of requested global memory store throughput to required global memory store throughput expressed as percentage                                                                                                                           | Multi-context* |

| Metric Name                     | Description                                                                                                           | Scope          |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| gst_requested_throughput        | Requested global memory store throughput                                                                              | Multi-context  |
| gst_throughput                  | Global memory store throughput                                                                                        | Multi-context* |
| gst_transactions                | Number of global memory store transactions                                                                            | Multi-context* |
| gst_transactions_per_request    | Average number of global memory store transactions performed for each global memory store                             | Multi-context* |
| inst_bit_convert                | Number of bit-conversion instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                              | Multi-context  |
| inst_compute_ld_st              | Number of compute load/store instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                          | Multi-context  |
| inst_control                    | Number of control-flow instructions executed by non-predicated threads (jump, branch, etc.)                           | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed                   | The number of instructions executed                                                                                   | Multi-context  |
| inst_fp_32                      | Number of single-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) | Multi-context  |
| inst_fp_64                      | Number of double-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) | Multi-context  |
| inst_integer                    | Number of integer instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                     | Multi-context  |
| inst_inter_thread_communication | Number of inter-thread communication instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                  | Multi-context  |
| inst_issued                     | The number of instructions issued                                                                                     | Multi-context  |
| inst_misc                       | Number of miscellaneous instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                               | Multi-context  |
| inst_per_warp                   | Average number of instructions executed by each warp                                                                  | Multi-context  |
| inst_replay_overhead            | Average number of replays for each instruction executed                                                               | Multi-context  |
| ipc                             | Instructions executed per cycle                                                                                       | Multi-context  |
| ipc_instance                    | Instructions executed per cycle for a single multiprocessor                                                           | Multi-context  |
| issue_slot_utilization          | Percentage of issue slots that issued at least one instruction, averaged across all cycles                            | Multi-context  |
| issue_slots                     | The number of issue slots used                                                                                        | Multi-context  |
| issued_ipc                      | Instructions issued per cycle                                                                                         | Multi-context  |
| l1_cache_global_hit_rate        | Hit rate in L1 cache for global loads                                                                                 | Multi-context* |
| l1_cache_local_hit_rate         | Hit rate in L1 cache for local loads and stores                                                                       | Multi-context* |

| Metric Name              | Description                                                                                                                                                  | Scope                      |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| l1_shared_utilization    | The utilization level of the L1/shared memory relative to peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7. | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_atomic_throughput     | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for atomic and reduction requests                                                                                    | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_atomic_transactions   | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for atomic and reduction requests                                                                                  | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_l1_read_hit_rate      | Hit rate at L2 cache for all read requests from L1 cache. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                         | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_l1_read_throughput    | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for read requests from L1 cache. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                          | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_l1_read_transactions  | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for all read requests from L1 cache. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                    | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_l1_write_throughput   | Memory write throughput seen at L2 cache for write requests from L1 cache. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                        | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_l1_write_transactions | Memory write transactions seen at L2 cache for all write requests from L1 cache. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                  | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_read_throughput       | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for all read requests                                                                                                | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_read_transactions     | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for all read requests                                                                                              | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_read_transactions | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for read requests from the texture cache                                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_read_hit_rate     | Hit rate at L2 cache for all read requests from texture cache. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                    | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_read_throughput   | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for read requests from the texture cache                                                                             | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_utilization           | The utilization level of the L2 cache relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                 | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_write_throughput      | Memory write throughput seen at L2 cache for all write requests                                                                                              | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_write_transactions    | Memory write transactions seen at L2 cache for all write requests                                                                                            | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| ldst_executed            | Number of executed local, global, shared and texture memory load and store instructions                                                                      | Multi-context              |

| Metric Name                          | Description                                                                                                                                                            | Scope          |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| ldst_fu_utilization                  | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute global, local and shared memory instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                             | Multi-context  |
| ldst_issued                          | Number of issued local, global, shared and texture memory load and store instructions                                                                                  | Multi-context  |
| local_load_throughput                | Local memory load throughput                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context* |
| local_load_transactions              | Number of local memory load transactions                                                                                                                               | Multi-context* |
| local_load_transactions_per_request  | Average number of local memory load transactions performed for each local memory load                                                                                  | Multi-context* |
| local_memory_overhead                | Ratio of local memory traffic to total memory traffic between the L1 and L2 caches expressed as percentage. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7. | Multi-context* |
| local_replay_overhead                | Average number of replays due to local memory accesses for each instruction executed                                                                                   | Multi-context  |
| local_store_throughput               | Local memory store throughput                                                                                                                                          | Multi-context* |
| local_store_transactions             | Number of local memory store transactions                                                                                                                              | Multi-context* |
| local_store_transactions_per_request | Average number of local memory store transactions performed for each local memory store                                                                                | Multi-context* |
| nc_cache_global_hit_rate             | Hit rate in non coherent cache for global loads                                                                                                                        | Multi-context* |
| nc_gld_efficiency                    | Ratio of requested non coherent global memory load throughput to required non coherent global memory load throughput expressed as percentage                           | Multi-context* |
| nc_gld_requested_throughput          | Requested throughput for global memory loaded via non-coherent cache                                                                                                   | Multi-context  |
| nc_gld_throughput                    | Non coherent global memory load throughput                                                                                                                             | Multi-context* |
| nc_l2_read_throughput                | Memory read throughput for non coherent global read requests seen at L2 cache                                                                                          | Multi-context* |
| nc_l2_read_transactions              | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for non coherent global read requests                                                                                        | Multi-context* |
| shared_efficiency                    | Ratio of requested shared memory throughput to required shared memory throughput expressed as percentage                                                               | Multi-context* |
| shared_load_throughput               | Shared memory load throughput                                                                                                                                          | Multi-context* |

| Metric Name                           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Scope                      |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| shared_load_transactions              | Number of shared memory load transactions                                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_load_transactions_per_request  | Average number of shared memory load transactions performed for each shared memory load                                                                                                                          | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_replay_overhead                | Average number of replays due to shared memory conflicts for each instruction executed                                                                                                                           | Multi-context              |
| shared_store_throughput               | Shared memory store throughput                                                                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_store_transactions             | Number of shared memory store transactions                                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_store_transactions_per_request | Average number of shared memory store transactions performed for each shared memory store                                                                                                                        | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| sm_efficiency                         | The percentage of time at least one warp is active on a multiprocessor averaged over all multiprocessors on the GPU                                                                                              | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| sm_efficiency_instance                | The percentage of time at least one warp is active on a specific multiprocessor                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| stall_constant_memory_dependency      | Percentage of stalls occurring because of immediate constant cache miss. This is available for compute capability 3.2, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                              | Multi-context              |
| stall_exec_dependency                 | Percentage of stalls occurring because an input required by the instruction is not yet available                                                                                                                 | Multi-context              |
| stall_inst_fetch                      | Percentage of stalls occurring because the next assembly instruction has not yet been fetched                                                                                                                    | Multi-context              |
| stall_memory_dependency               | Percentage of stalls occurring because a memory operation cannot be performed due to the required resources not being available or fully utilized, or because too many requests of a given type are outstanding. | Multi-context              |
| stall_memory_throttle                 | Percentage of stalls occurring because of memory throttle.                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context              |
| stall_not_selected                    | Percentage of stalls occurring because warp was not selected.                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context              |
| stall_other                           | Percentage of stalls occurring due to miscellaneous reasons                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context              |
| stall_pipe_busy                       | Percentage of stalls occurring because a compute operation cannot be performed because the compute pipeline is busy. This is available for compute capability 3.2, 3.5 and 3.7.                                  | Multi-context              |
| stall_sync                            | Percentage of stalls occurring because the warp is blocked at a __syncthreads() call                                                                                                                             | Multi-context              |

| Metric Name                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                        | Scope          |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| stall_texture                     | Percentage of stalls occurring because the texture sub-system is fully utilized or has too many outstanding requests                                                               | Multi-context  |
| sysmem_read_throughput            | System memory read throughput. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                          | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_read_transactions          | System memory read transactions. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                        | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_read_utilization           | The read utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                 | Multi-context  |
| sysmem_utilization                | The utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                      | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_write_throughput           | System memory write throughput. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                         | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_write_transactions         | System memory write transactions. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                                                                                       | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_write_utilization          | The write utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 3.0, 3.5 and 3.7.                | Multi-context  |
| tex_cache_hit_rate                | Texture cache hit rate                                                                                                                                                             | Multi-context* |
| tex_cache_throughput              | Texture cache throughput                                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context* |
| tex_cache_transactions            | Texture cache read transactions                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context* |
| tex_fu_utilization                | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute texture instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                 | Multi-context  |
| tex_utilization                   | The utilization level of the texture cache relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                  | Multi-context* |
| warp_execution_efficiency         | Ratio of the average active threads per warp to the maximum number of threads per warp supported on a multiprocessor expressed as percentage                                       | Multi-context  |
| warp_nonpred_execution_efficiency | Ratio of the average active threads per warp executing non-predicated instructions to the maximum number of threads per warp supported on a multiprocessor expressed as percentage | Multi-context  |

\* The "Multi-context" scope for this metric is supported only for devices with compute capability 3.0, 3.5, and 3.7.

### 1.6.1.2. Metrics for Capability 5.x

Devices with compute capability 5.x implement the metrics shown in the following table. Note that for some metrics, the "Multi-context" scope is supported only for specific devices. Such metrics are marked with "Multi-context\*" under the "Scope" column. Refer to the note at the bottom of the table.

Table 2 Capability 5.x Metrics

| Metric Name                     | Description                                                                                                                                | Scope          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| achieved_occupancy              | Ratio of the average active warps per active cycle to the maximum number of warps supported on a multiprocessor                            | Multi-context  |
| atomic_transactions             | Global memory atomic and reduction transactions                                                                                            | Multi-context  |
| atomic_transactions_per_request | Average number of global memory atomic and reduction transactions performed for each atomic and reduction instruction                      | Multi-context  |
| branch_efficiency               | Ratio of non-divergent branches to total branches expressed as percentage                                                                  | Multi-context  |
| cf_executed                     | Number of executed control-flow instructions                                                                                               | Multi-context  |
| cf_fu_utilization               | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute control-flow instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                    | Multi-context  |
| cf_issued                       | Number of issued control-flow instructions                                                                                                 | Multi-context  |
| double_precision_fu_utilization | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute double-precision floating-point instructions on a scale of 0 to 10 | Multi-context  |
| dram_read_bytes                 | Total bytes read from DRAM to L2 cache. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                              | Multi-context* |
| dram_read_throughput            | Device memory read throughput. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                                       | Multi-context* |
| dram_read_transactions          | Device memory read transactions. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                                     | Multi-context* |
| dram_utilization                | The utilization level of the device memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                          | Multi-context* |
| dram_write_bytes                | Total bytes written from L2 cache to DRAM. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                           | Multi-context* |
| dram_write_throughput           | Device memory write throughput. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                                      | Multi-context* |
| dram_write_transactions         | Device memory write transactions. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                                    | Multi-context* |

| Metric Name              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Scope                      |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| ecc_throughput           | ECC throughput from L2 to DRAM. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| ecc_transactions         | Number of ECC transactions between L2 and DRAM. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| eligible_warps_per_cycle | Average number of warps that are eligible to issue per active cycle                                                                                                                                                                             | Multi-context              |
| flop_count_dp            | Number of double-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply, and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count.                                                | Multi-context              |
| flop_count_dp_add        | Number of double-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context              |
| flop_count_dp_fma        | Number of double-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count.                                                                     | Multi-context              |
| flop_count_dp_mul        | Number of double-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context              |
| flop_count_hp            | Number of half-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count. This is available for compute capability 5.3.     | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| flop_count_hp_add        | Number of half-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads. This is available for compute capability 5.3.                                                                                                        | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| flop_count_hp_fma        | Number of half-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count. This is available for compute capability 5.3.                         | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| flop_count_hp_mul        | Number of half-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads. This is available for compute capability 5.3.                                                                                                   | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| flop_count_sp            | Number of single-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply, and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count. The count does not include special operations. | Multi-context              |
| flop_count_sp_add        | Number of single-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context              |

| Metric Name                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                 | Scope                      |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| flop_count_sp_fma            | Number of single-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count. | Multi-context              |
| flop_count_sp_mul            | Number of single-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                           | Multi-context              |
| flop_count_sp_special        | Number of single-precision floating-point special operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                            | Multi-context              |
| flop_dp_efficiency           | Ratio of achieved to peak double-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                        | Multi-context              |
| flop_hp_efficiency           | Ratio of achieved to peak half-precision floating-point operations. This is available for compute capability 5.3.                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| flop_sp_efficiency           | Ratio of achieved to peak single-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                        | Multi-context              |
| gld_efficiency               | Ratio of requested global memory load throughput to required global memory load throughput expressed as percentage.                                                         | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| gld_requested_throughput     | Requested global memory load throughput                                                                                                                                     | Multi-context              |
| gld_throughput               | Global memory load throughput                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| gld_transactions             | Number of global memory load transactions                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| gld_transactions_per_request | Average number of global memory load transactions performed for each global memory load.                                                                                    | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| global_atomic_requests       | Total number of global atomic(Atom and Atom CAS) requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                               | Multi-context              |
| global_hit_rate              | Hit rate for global loads in unified l1/tex cache. Metric value maybe wrong if malloc is used in kernel.                                                                    | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| global_load_requests         | Total number of global load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                    | Multi-context              |
| global_reduction_requests    | Total number of global reduction requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                               | Multi-context              |
| global_store_requests        | Total number of global store requests from Multiprocessor. This does not include atomic requests.                                                                           | Multi-context              |
| gst_efficiency               | Ratio of requested global memory store throughput to required global memory store throughput expressed as percentage.                                                       | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| gst_requested_throughput     | Requested global memory store throughput                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context              |

| Metric Name                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                              | Scope          |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| gst_throughput                   | Global memory store throughput                                                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context* |
| gst_transactions                 | Number of global memory store transactions                                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context* |
| gst_transactions_per_request     | Average number of global memory store transactions performed for each global memory store                                                                                                                | Multi-context* |
| half_precision_fu_utilization    | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute 16 bit floating-point instructions and integer instructions on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 5.3. | Multi-context* |
| inst_bit_convert                 | Number of bit-conversion instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context  |
| inst_compute_ld_st               | Number of compute load/store instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                                             | Multi-context  |
| inst_control                     | Number of control-flow instructions executed by non-predicated threads (jump, branch, etc.)                                                                                                              | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed                    | The number of instructions executed                                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_global_atomics     | Warp level instructions for global atom and atom cas                                                                                                                                                     | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_global_loads       | Warp level instructions for global loads                                                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_global_reductions  | Warp level instructions for global reductions                                                                                                                                                            | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_global_stores      | Warp level instructions for global stores                                                                                                                                                                | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_local_loads        | Warp level instructions for local loads                                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_local_stores       | Warp level instructions for local stores                                                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_shared_atomics     | Warp level shared instructions for atom and atom CAS                                                                                                                                                     | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_shared_loads       | Warp level instructions for shared loads                                                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_shared_stores      | Warp level instructions for shared stores                                                                                                                                                                | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_surface_atomics    | Warp level instructions for surface atom and atom cas                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_surface_loads      | Warp level instructions for surface loads                                                                                                                                                                | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_surface_reductions | Warp level instructions for surface reductions                                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_surface_stores     | Warp level instructions for surface stores                                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context  |
| inst_executed_tex_ops            | Warp level instructions for texture                                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context  |
| inst_fp_16                       | Number of half-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) This is available for compute capability 5.3.                                        | Multi-context* |

| Metric Name                     | Description                                                                                                           | Scope          |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| inst_fp_32                      | Number of single-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) | Multi-context  |
| inst_fp_64                      | Number of double-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) | Multi-context  |
| inst_integer                    | Number of integer instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                     | Multi-context  |
| inst_inter_thread_communication | Number of inter-thread communication instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                  | Multi-context  |
| inst_issued                     | The number of instructions issued                                                                                     | Multi-context  |
| inst_misc                       | Number of miscellaneous instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                               | Multi-context  |
| inst_per_warp                   | Average number of instructions executed by each warp                                                                  | Multi-context  |
| inst_replay_overhead            | Average number of replays for each instruction executed                                                               | Multi-context  |
| ipc                             | Instructions executed per cycle                                                                                       | Multi-context  |
| issue_slot_utilization          | Percentage of issue slots that issued at least one instruction, averaged across all cycles                            | Multi-context  |
| issue_slots                     | The number of issue slots used                                                                                        | Multi-context  |
| issued_ipc                      | Instructions issued per cycle                                                                                         | Multi-context  |
| l2_atomic_throughput            | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for atomic and reduction requests                                             | Multi-context  |
| l2_atomic_transactions          | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for atomic and reduction requests                                           | Multi-context* |
| l2_global_atomic_store_bytes    | Bytes written to L2 from Unified cache for global atomics (ATOM and ATOM CAS)                                         | Multi-context* |
| l2_global_load_bytes            | Bytes read from L2 for misses in Unified Cache for global loads                                                       | Multi-context* |
| l2_global_reduction_bytes       | Bytes written to L2 from Unified cache for global reductions                                                          | Multi-context* |
| l2_local_global_store_bytes     | Bytes written to L2 from Unified Cache for local and global stores. This does not include global atomics.             | Multi-context* |
| l2_local_load_bytes             | Bytes read from L2 for misses in Unified Cache for local loads                                                        | Multi-context* |
| l2_read_throughput              | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for all read requests                                                         | Multi-context* |
| l2_read_transactions            | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for all read requests                                                       | Multi-context* |
| l2_surface_atomic_store_bytes   | Bytes transferred between Unified Cache and L2 for surface atomics (ATOM and ATOM CAS)                                | Multi-context* |

| Metric Name                | Description                                                                                                                                            | Scope                      |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| l2_surface_load_bytes      | Bytes read from L2 for misses in Unified Cache for surface loads                                                                                       | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_surface_reduction_bytes | Bytes written to L2 from Unified Cache for surface reductions                                                                                          | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_surface_store_bytes     | Bytes written to L2 from Unified Cache for surface stores. This does not include surface atomics.                                                      | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_hit_rate            | Hit rate at L2 cache for all requests from texture cache                                                                                               | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_read_hit_rate       | Hit rate at L2 cache for all read requests from texture cache. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                   | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_read_throughput     | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for read requests from the texture cache                                                                       | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_read_transactions   | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for read requests from the texture cache                                                                     | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_write_hit_rate      | Hit Rate at L2 cache for all write requests from texture cache. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                  | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_write_throughput    | Memory write throughput seen at L2 cache for write requests from the texture cache                                                                     | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_tex_write_transactions  | Memory write transactions seen at L2 cache for write requests from the texture cache                                                                   | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_utilization             | The utilization level of the L2 cache relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_write_throughput        | Memory write throughput seen at L2 cache for all write requests                                                                                        | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| l2_write_transactions      | Memory write transactions seen at L2 cache for all write requests                                                                                      | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| ldst_executed              | Number of executed local, global, shared and texture memory load and store instructions                                                                | Multi-context              |
| ldst_fu_utilization        | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute shared load, shared store and constant load instructions on a scale of 0 to 10 | Multi-context              |
| ldst_issued                | Number of issued local, global, shared and texture memory load and store instructions                                                                  | Multi-context              |
| local_hit_rate             | Hit rate for local loads and stores                                                                                                                    | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| local_load_requests        | Total number of local load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| local_load_throughput      | Local memory load throughput                                                                                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| local_load_transactions    | Number of local memory load transactions                                                                                                               | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |

| Metric Name                           | Description                                                                                                                                                         | Scope                      |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| local_load_transactions_per_request   | Average number of local memory load transactions performed for each local memory load                                                                               | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| local_memory_overhead                 | Ratio of local memory traffic to total memory traffic between the L1 and L2 caches expressed as percentage                                                          | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| local_store_requests                  | Total number of local store requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                            | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| local_store_throughput                | Local memory store throughput                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| local_store_transactions              | Number of local memory store transactions                                                                                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| local_store_transactions_per_request  | Average number of local memory store transactions performed for each local memory store                                                                             | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| pcie_total_data_received              | Total data bytes received through PCIe                                                                                                                              | Device                     |
| pcie_total_data_transmitted           | Total data bytes transmitted through PCIe                                                                                                                           | Device                     |
| shared_efficiency                     | Ratio of requested shared memory throughput to required shared memory throughput expressed as percentage                                                            | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_load_throughput                | Shared memory load throughput                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_load_transactions              | Number of shared memory load transactions                                                                                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_load_transactions_per_request  | Average number of shared memory load transactions performed for each shared memory load                                                                             | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_store_throughput               | Shared memory store throughput                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_store_transactions             | Number of shared memory store transactions                                                                                                                          | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_store_transactions_per_request | Average number of shared memory store transactions performed for each shared memory store                                                                           | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| shared_utilization                    | The utilization level of the shared memory relative to peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                       | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| single_precision_fu_utilization       | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute single-precision floating-point instructions and integer instructions on a scale of 0 to 10 | Multi-context              |
| sm_efficiency                         | The percentage of time at least one warp is active on a specific multiprocessor                                                                                     | Multi-context <sup>*</sup> |
| special_fu_utilization                | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute sin, cos, ex2, popc, flo, and similar instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                    | Multi-context              |

| Metric Name                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Scope          |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| stall_constant_memory_dependency | Percentage of stalls occurring because of immediate constant cache miss                                                                                                                                         | Multi-context  |
| stall_exec_dependency            | Percentage of stalls occurring because an input required by the instruction is not yet available                                                                                                                | Multi-context  |
| stall_inst_fetch                 | Percentage of stalls occurring because the next assembly instruction has not yet been fetched                                                                                                                   | Multi-context  |
| stall_memory_dependency          | Percentage of stalls occurring because a memory operation cannot be performed due to the required resources not being available or fully utilized, or because too many requests of a given type are outstanding | Multi-context  |
| stall_memory_throttle            | Percentage of stalls occurring because of memory throttle                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context  |
| stall_not_selected               | Percentage of stalls occurring because warp was not selected                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context  |
| stall_other                      | Percentage of stalls occurring due to miscellaneous reasons                                                                                                                                                     | Multi-context  |
| stall_pipe_busy                  | Percentage of stalls occurring because a compute operation cannot be performed because the compute pipeline is busy                                                                                             | Multi-context  |
| stall_sync                       | Percentage of stalls occurring because the warp is blocked at a __syncthreads() call                                                                                                                            | Multi-context  |
| stall_texture                    | Percentage of stalls occurring because the texture sub-system is fully utilized or has too many outstanding requests                                                                                            | Multi-context  |
| surface_atomic_requests          | Total number of surface atomic(Atom and Atom CAS) requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context  |
| surface_load_requests            | Total number of surface load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context  |
| surface_reduction_requests       | Total number of surface reduction requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context  |
| surface_store_requests           | Total number of surface store requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context  |
| sysmem_read_bytes                | Number of bytes read from system memory                                                                                                                                                                         | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_read_throughput           | System memory read throughput                                                                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_read_transactions         | Number of system memory read transactions                                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_read_utilization          | The read utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                                   | Multi-context  |
| sysmem_utilization               | The utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to                                                                                                                  | Multi-context* |

| Metric Name                       | Description                                                                                                                                                    | Scope          |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
|                                   | 10. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.                                                                                                      |                |
| sysmem_write_bytes                | Number of bytes written to system memory                                                                                                                       | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_write_throughput           | System memory write throughput                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_write_transactions         | Number of system memory write transactions                                                                                                                     | Multi-context* |
| sysmem_write_utilization          | The write utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 5.0 and 5.2. | Multi-context* |
| tex_cache_hit_rate                | Unified cache hit rate                                                                                                                                         | Multi-context* |
| tex_cache_throughput              | Unified cache throughput                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context* |
| tex_cache_transactions            | Unified cache read transactions                                                                                                                                | Multi-context* |
| tex_fu_utilization                | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute global, local and texture memory instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                    | Multi-context  |
| tex_utilization                   | The utilization level of the unified cache relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                              | Multi-context* |
| texture_load_requests             | Total number of texture Load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                      | Multi-context  |
| warp_execution_efficiency         | Ratio of the average active threads per warp to the maximum number of threads per warp supported on a multiprocessor                                           | Multi-context  |
| warp_nonpred_execution_efficiency | Ratio of the average active threads per warp executing non-predicated instructions to the maximum number of threads per warp supported on a multiprocessor     | Multi-context  |

\* The "Multi-context" scope for this metric is supported only for devices with compute capability 5.0 and 5.2.

### 1.6.1.3. Metrics for Capability 6.x

Devices with compute capability 6.x implement the metrics shown in the following table.

Table 3 Capability 6.x Metrics

| Metric Name                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                      | Scope         |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| achieved_occupancy              | Ratio of the average active warps per active cycle to the maximum number of warps supported on a multiprocessor                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| atomic_transactions             | Global memory atomic and reduction transactions                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| atomic_transactions_per_request | Average number of global memory atomic and reduction transactions performed for each atomic and reduction instruction                                                                            | Multi-context |
| branch_efficiency               | Ratio of non-divergent branches to total branches expressed as percentage                                                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| cf_executed                     | Number of executed control-flow instructions                                                                                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| cf_fu_utilization               | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute control-flow instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                          | Multi-context |
| cf_issued                       | Number of issued control-flow instructions                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| double_precision_fu_utilization | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute double-precision floating-point instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                       | Multi-context |
| dram_read_bytes                 | Total bytes read from DRAM to L2 cache                                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context |
| dram_read_throughput            | Device memory read throughput. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1.                                                                                                             | Multi-context |
| dram_read_transactions          | Device memory read transactions. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1.                                                                                                           | Multi-context |
| dram_utilization                | The utilization level of the device memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| dram_write_bytes                | Total bytes written from L2 cache to DRAM                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| dram_write_throughput           | Device memory write throughput. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1.                                                                                                            | Multi-context |
| dram_write_transactions         | Device memory write transactions. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1.                                                                                                          | Multi-context |
| ecc_throughput                  | ECC throughput from L2 to DRAM. This is available for compute capability 6.1.                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| ecc_transactions                | Number of ECC transactions between L2 and DRAM. This is available for compute capability 6.1.                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| eligible_warps_per_cycle        | Average number of warps that are eligible to issue per active cycle                                                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| flop_count_dp                   | Number of double-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply, and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count. | Multi-context |

| Metric Name           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Scope         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| flop_count_dp_add     | Number of double-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| flop_count_dp_fma     | Number of double-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count.                                                                     | Multi-context |
| flop_count_dp_mul     | Number of double-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context |
| flop_count_hp         | Number of half-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply, and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count.                                                  | Multi-context |
| flop_count_hp_add     | Number of half-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| flop_count_hp_fma     | Number of half-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count.                                                                       | Multi-context |
| flop_count_hp_mul     | Number of half-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp         | Number of single-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply, and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count. The count does not include special operations. | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp_add     | Number of single-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp_fma     | Number of single-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count.                                                                     | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp_mul     | Number of single-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp_special | Number of single-precision floating-point special operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| flop_dp_efficiency    | Ratio of achieved to peak double-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                                                                                            | Multi-context |
| flop_hp_efficiency    | Ratio of achieved to peak half-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| flop_sp_efficiency    | Ratio of achieved to peak single-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                                                                                            | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                   | Description                                                                                                                      | Scope         |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| gld_efficiency                | Ratio of requested global memory load throughput to required global memory load throughput expressed as percentage.              | Multi-context |
| gld_requested_throughput      | Requested global memory load throughput                                                                                          | Multi-context |
| gld_throughput                | Global memory load throughput                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| gld_transactions              | Number of global memory load transactions                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| gld_transactions_per_request  | Average number of global memory load transactions performed for each global memory load.                                         | Multi-context |
| global_atomic_requests        | Total number of global atomic(Atom and Atom CAS) requests from Multiprocessor                                                    | Multi-context |
| global_hit_rate               | Hit rate for global loads in unified l1/tex cache. Metric value maybe wrong if malloc is used in kernel.                         | Multi-context |
| global_load_requests          | Total number of global load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                         | Multi-context |
| global_reduction_requests     | Total number of global reduction requests from Multiprocessor                                                                    | Multi-context |
| global_store_requests         | Total number of global store requests from Multiprocessor. This does not include atomic requests.                                | Multi-context |
| gst_efficiency                | Ratio of requested global memory store throughput to required global memory store throughput expressed as percentage.            | Multi-context |
| gst_requested_throughput      | Requested global memory store throughput                                                                                         | Multi-context |
| gst_throughput                | Global memory store throughput                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| gst_transactions              | Number of global memory store transactions                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| gst_transactions_per_request  | Average number of global memory store transactions performed for each global memory store                                        | Multi-context |
| half_precision_fu_utilization | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute 16 bit floating-point instructions on a scale of 0 to 10 | Multi-context |
| inst_bit_convert              | Number of bit-conversion instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                         | Multi-context |
| inst_compute_ld_st            | Number of compute load/store instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                     | Multi-context |
| inst_control                  | Number of control-flow instructions executed by non-predicated threads (jump, branch, etc.)                                      | Multi-context |
| inst_executed                 | The number of instructions executed                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_global_atomics  | Warp level instructions for global atom and atom cas                                                                             | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_global_loads    | Warp level instructions for global loads                                                                                         | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                      | Description                                                                                                           | Scope         |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| inst_executed_global_reductions  | Warp level instructions for global reductions                                                                         | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_global_stores      | Warp level instructions for global stores                                                                             | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_local_loads        | Warp level instructions for local loads                                                                               | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_local_stores       | Warp level instructions for local stores                                                                              | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_shared_atomics     | Warp level shared instructions for atom and atom CAS                                                                  | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_shared_loads       | Warp level instructions for shared loads                                                                              | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_shared_stores      | Warp level instructions for shared stores                                                                             | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_surface_atomics    | Warp level instructions for surface atom and atom cas                                                                 | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_surface_loads      | Warp level instructions for surface loads                                                                             | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_surface_reductions | Warp level instructions for surface reductions                                                                        | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_surface_stores     | Warp level instructions for surface stores                                                                            | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_tex_ops            | Warp level instructions for texture                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| inst_fp_16                       | Number of half-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.)   | Multi-context |
| inst_fp_32                       | Number of single-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) | Multi-context |
| inst_fp_64                       | Number of double-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) | Multi-context |
| inst_integer                     | Number of integer instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                     | Multi-context |
| inst_inter_thread_communication  | Number of inter-thread communication instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                  | Multi-context |
| inst_issued                      | The number of instructions issued                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| inst_misc                        | Number of miscellaneous instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                               | Multi-context |
| inst_per_warp                    | Average number of instructions executed by each warp                                                                  | Multi-context |
| inst_replay_overhead             | Average number of replays for each instruction executed                                                               | Multi-context |
| ipc                              | Instructions executed per cycle                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| issue_slot_utilization           | Percentage of issue slots that issued at least one instruction, averaged across all cycles                            | Multi-context |
| issue_slots                      | The number of issue slots used                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| issued_ipc                       | Instructions issued per cycle                                                                                         | Multi-context |
| l2_atomic_throughput             | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for atomic and reduction requests                                             | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                   | Description                                                                                                           | Scope         |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| l2_atomic_transactions        | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for atomic and reduction requests                                           | Multi-context |
| l2_global_atomic_store_bytes  | Bytes written to L2 from Unified cache for global atomics (ATOM and ATOM CAS)                                         | Multi-context |
| l2_global_load_bytes          | Bytes read from L2 for misses in Unified Cache for global loads                                                       | Multi-context |
| l2_global_reduction_bytes     | Bytes written to L2 from Unified cache for global reductions                                                          | Multi-context |
| l2_local_global_store_bytes   | Bytes written to L2 from Unified Cache for local and global stores. This does not include global atomics.             | Multi-context |
| l2_local_load_bytes           | Bytes read from L2 for misses in Unified Cache for local loads                                                        | Multi-context |
| l2_read_throughput            | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for all read requests                                                         | Multi-context |
| l2_read_transactions          | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for all read requests                                                       | Multi-context |
| l2_surface_atomic_store_bytes | Bytes transferred between Unified Cache and L2 for surface atomics (ATOM and ATOM CAS)                                | Multi-context |
| l2_surface_load_bytes         | Bytes read from L2 for misses in Unified Cache for surface loads                                                      | Multi-context |
| l2_surface_reduction_bytes    | Bytes written to L2 from Unified Cache for surface reductions                                                         | Multi-context |
| l2_surface_store_bytes        | Bytes written to L2 from Unified Cache for surface stores. This does not include surface atomics.                     | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_hit_rate               | Hit rate at L2 cache for all requests from texture cache                                                              | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_read_hit_rate          | Hit rate at L2 cache for all read requests from texture cache. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1.  | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_read_throughput        | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for read requests from the texture cache                                      | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_read_transactions      | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for read requests from the texture cache                                    | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_write_hit_rate         | Hit Rate at L2 cache for all write requests from texture cache. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1. | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_write_throughput       | Memory write throughput seen at L2 cache for write requests from the texture cache                                    | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_write_transactions     | Memory write transactions seen at L2 cache for write requests from the texture cache                                  | Multi-context |
| l2_utilization                | The utilization level of the L2 cache relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                          | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                          | Description                                                                                                                                            | Scope         |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| l2_write_throughput                  | Memory write throughput seen at L2 cache for all write requests                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| l2_write_transactions                | Memory write transactions seen at L2 cache for all write requests                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| ldst_executed                        | Number of executed local, global, shared and texture memory load and store instructions                                                                | Multi-context |
| ldst_fu_utilization                  | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute shared load, shared store and constant load instructions on a scale of 0 to 10 | Multi-context |
| ldst_issued                          | Number of issued local, global, shared and texture memory load and store instructions                                                                  | Multi-context |
| local_hit_rate                       | Hit rate for local loads and stores                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| local_load_requests                  | Total number of local load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| local_load_throughput                | Local memory load throughput                                                                                                                           | Multi-context |
| local_load_transactions              | Number of local memory load transactions                                                                                                               | Multi-context |
| local_load_transactions_per_request  | Average number of local memory load transactions performed for each local memory load                                                                  | Multi-context |
| local_memory_overhead                | Ratio of local memory traffic to total memory traffic between the L1 and L2 caches expressed as percentage                                             | Multi-context |
| local_store_requests                 | Total number of local store requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                               | Multi-context |
| local_store_throughput               | Local memory store throughput                                                                                                                          | Multi-context |
| local_store_transactions             | Number of local memory store transactions                                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| local_store_transactions_per_request | Average number of local memory store transactions performed for each local memory store                                                                | Multi-context |
| nvlink_overhead_data_received        | Ratio of overhead data to the total data, received through NVLink. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                       | Device        |
| nvlink_overhead_data_transmitted     | Ratio of overhead data to the total data, transmitted through NVLink. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                    | Device        |
| nvlink_receive_throughput            | Number of bytes received per second through NVLinks. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                     | Device        |
| nvlink_total_data_received           | Total data bytes received through NVLinks including headers. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                             | Device        |
| nvlink_total_data_transmitted        | Total data bytes transmitted through NVLinks including headers. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                          | Device        |

| Metric Name                          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                      | Scope         |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| nvlink_total_nratom_data_transmitted | Total non-reduction atomic data bytes transmitted through NVLinks. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                                 | Device        |
| nvlink_total_ratom_data_transmitted  | Total reduction atomic data bytes transmitted through NVLinks. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                                     | Device        |
| nvlink_total_response_data_received  | Total response data bytes received through NVLink, response data includes data for read requests and result of non-reduction atomic requests. This is available for compute capability 6.0.      | Device        |
| nvlink_total_write_data_transmitted  | Total write data bytes transmitted through NVLinks. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                                                | Device        |
| nvlink_transmit_throughput           | Number of Bytes Transmitted per second through NVLinks. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                                            | Device        |
| nvlink_user_data_received            | User data bytes received through NVLinks, doesn't include headers. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                                 | Device        |
| nvlink_user_data_transmitted         | User data bytes transmitted through NVLinks, doesn't include headers. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                              | Device        |
| nvlink_user_nratom_data_transmitted  | Total non-reduction atomic user data bytes transmitted through NVLinks. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                            | Device        |
| nvlink_user_ratom_data_transmitted   | Total reduction atomic user data bytes transmitted through NVLinks. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                                | Device        |
| nvlink_user_response_data_received   | Total user response data bytes received through NVLink, response data includes data for read requests and result of non-reduction atomic requests. This is available for compute capability 6.0. | Device        |
| nvlink_user_write_data_transmitted   | User write data bytes transmitted through NVLinks. This is available for compute capability 6.0.                                                                                                 | Device        |
| pcie_total_data_received             | Total data bytes received through PCIe                                                                                                                                                           | Device        |
| pcie_total_data_transmitted          | Total data bytes transmitted through PCIe                                                                                                                                                        | Device        |
| shared_efficiency                    | Ratio of requested shared memory throughput to required shared memory throughput expressed as percentage                                                                                         | Multi-context |
| shared_load_throughput               | Shared memory load throughput                                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| shared_load_transactions             | Number of shared memory load transactions                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| shared_load_transactions_per_request | Average number of shared memory load transactions performed for each shared memory load                                                                                                          | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Scope         |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| shared_store_throughput               | Shared memory store throughput                                                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| shared_store_transactions             | Number of shared memory store transactions                                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| shared_store_transactions_per_request | Average number of shared memory store transactions performed for each shared memory store                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| shared_utilization                    | The utilization level of the shared memory relative to peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| single_precision_fu_utilization       | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute single-precision floating-point instructions and integer instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                             | Multi-context |
| sm_efficiency                         | The percentage of time at least one warp is active on a specific multiprocessor                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context |
| special_fu_utilization                | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute sin, cos, ex2, popc, flo, and similar instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                | Multi-context |
| stall_constant_memory_dependency      | Percentage of stalls occurring because of immediate constant cache miss                                                                                                                                         | Multi-context |
| stall_exec_dependency                 | Percentage of stalls occurring because an input required by the instruction is not yet available                                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| stall_inst_fetch                      | Percentage of stalls occurring because the next assembly instruction has not yet been fetched                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| stall_memory_dependency               | Percentage of stalls occurring because a memory operation cannot be performed due to the required resources not being available or fully utilized, or because too many requests of a given type are outstanding | Multi-context |
| stall_memory_throttle                 | Percentage of stalls occurring because of memory throttle                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| stall_not_selected                    | Percentage of stalls occurring because warp was not selected                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| stall_other                           | Percentage of stalls occurring due to miscellaneous reasons                                                                                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| stall_pipe_busy                       | Percentage of stalls occurring because a compute operation cannot be performed because the compute pipeline is busy                                                                                             | Multi-context |
| stall_sync                            | Percentage of stalls occurring because the warp is blocked at a __syncthreads() call                                                                                                                            | Multi-context |
| stall_texture                         | Percentage of stalls occurring because the texture sub-system is fully utilized or has too many outstanding requests                                                                                            | Multi-context |
| surface_atomic_requests               | Total number of surface atomic(Atom and Atom CAS) requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| surface_load_requests                 | Total number of surface load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                       | Description                                                                                                                                                    | Scope         |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| surface_reduction_requests        | Total number of surface reduction requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                 | Multi-context |
| surface_store_requests            | Total number of surface store requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| sysmem_read_bytes                 | Number of bytes read from system memory                                                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| sysmem_read_throughput            | System memory read throughput                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| sysmem_read_transactions          | Number of system memory read transactions                                                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| sysmem_read_utilization           | The read utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1.  | Multi-context |
| sysmem_utilization                | The utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1.       | Multi-context |
| sysmem_write_bytes                | Number of bytes written to system memory                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| sysmem_write_throughput           | System memory write throughput                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context |
| sysmem_write_transactions         | Number of system memory write transactions                                                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| sysmem_write_utilization          | The write utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10. This is available for compute capability 6.0 and 6.1. | Multi-context |
| tex_cache_hit_rate                | Unified cache hit rate                                                                                                                                         | Multi-context |
| tex_cache_throughput              | Unified cache throughput                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| tex_cache_transactions            | Unified cache read transactions                                                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| tex_fu_utilization                | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute global, local and texture memory instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                    | Multi-context |
| tex_utilization                   | The utilization level of the unified cache relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                              | Multi-context |
| texture_load_requests             | Total number of texture Load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| unique_warps_launched             | Number of warps launched. Value is unaffected by compute preemption.                                                                                           | Multi-context |
| warp_execution_efficiency         | Ratio of the average active threads per warp to the maximum number of threads per warp supported on a multiprocessor                                           | Multi-context |
| warp_nonpred_execution_efficiency | Ratio of the average active threads per warp executing non-predicated instructions to the maximum number of threads per warp supported on a multiprocessor     | Multi-context |

### 1.6.1.4. Metrics for Capability 7.0

Devices with compute capability 7.0 implement the metrics shown in the following table.

**Table 4 Capability 7.x (7.0 and 7.2) Metrics**

| Metric Name                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                      | Scope         |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| achieved_occupancy              | Ratio of the average active warps per active cycle to the maximum number of warps supported on a multiprocessor                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| atomic_transactions             | Global memory atomic and reduction transactions                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| atomic_transactions_per_request | Average number of global memory atomic and reduction transactions performed for each atomic and reduction instruction                                                                            | Multi-context |
| branch_efficiency               | Ratio of branch instruction to sum of branch and divergent branch instruction                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| cf_executed                     | Number of executed control-flow instructions                                                                                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| cf_fu_utilization               | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute control-flow instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                          | Multi-context |
| cf_issued                       | Number of issued control-flow instructions                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| double_precision_fu_utilization | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute double-precision floating-point instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                       | Multi-context |
| dram_read_bytes                 | Total bytes read from DRAM to L2 cache                                                                                                                                                           | Multi-context |
| dram_read_throughput            | Device memory read throughput                                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| dram_read_transactions          | Device memory read transactions                                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| dram_utilization                | The utilization level of the device memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| dram_write_bytes                | Total bytes written from L2 cache to DRAM                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| dram_write_throughput           | Device memory write throughput                                                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| dram_write_transactions         | Device memory write transactions                                                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context |
| eligible_warps_per_cycle        | Average number of warps that are eligible to issue per active cycle                                                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| flop_count_dp                   | Number of double-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply, and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count. | Multi-context |
| flop_count_dp_add               | Number of double-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                     | Multi-context |

| Metric Name           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Scope         |
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| flop_count_dp_fma     | Number of double-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count.                                                                     | Multi-context |
| flop_count_dp_mul     | Number of double-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context |
| flop_count_hp         | Number of half-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply, and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate contributes 2 or 4 to the count based on the number of inputs.                         | Multi-context |
| flop_count_hp_add     | Number of half-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| flop_count_hp_fma     | Number of half-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate contributes 2 or 4 to the count based on the number of inputs.                                              | Multi-context |
| flop_count_hp_mul     | Number of half-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp         | Number of single-precision floating-point operations executed by non-predicated threads (add, multiply, and multiply-accumulate). Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 2 to the count. The count does not include special operations. | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp_add     | Number of single-precision floating-point add operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp_fma     | Number of single-precision floating-point multiply-accumulate operations executed by non-predicated threads. Each multiply-accumulate operation contributes 1 to the count.                                                                     | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp_mul     | Number of single-precision floating-point multiply operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                               | Multi-context |
| flop_count_sp_special | Number of single-precision floating-point special operations executed by non-predicated threads.                                                                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| flop_dp_efficiency    | Ratio of achieved to peak double-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                                                                                            | Multi-context |
| flop_hp_efficiency    | Ratio of achieved to peak half-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| flop_sp_efficiency    | Ratio of achieved to peak single-precision floating-point operations                                                                                                                                                                            | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                | Scope         |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| gld_efficiency                | Ratio of requested global memory load throughput to required global memory load throughput expressed as percentage.                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| gld_requested_throughput      | Requested global memory load throughput                                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| gld_throughput                | Global memory load throughput                                                                                                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| gld_transactions              | Number of global memory load transactions                                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| gld_transactions_per_request  | Average number of global memory load transactions performed for each global memory load.                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| global_atomic_requests        | Total number of global atomic(Atom and Atom CAS) requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| global_hit_rate               | Hit rate for global load and store in unified l1/ tex cache                                                                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| global_load_requests          | Total number of global load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| global_reduction_requests     | Total number of global reduction requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                              | Multi-context |
| global_store_requests         | Total number of global store requests from Multiprocessor. This does not include atomic requests.                                                                                                          | Multi-context |
| gst_efficiency                | Ratio of requested global memory store throughput to required global memory store throughput expressed as percentage.                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| gst_requested_throughput      | Requested global memory store throughput                                                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| gst_throughput                | Global memory store throughput                                                                                                                                                                             | Multi-context |
| gst_transactions              | Number of global memory store transactions                                                                                                                                                                 | Multi-context |
| gst_transactions_per_request  | Average number of global memory store transactions performed for each global memory store                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| half_precision_fu_utilization | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute 16 bit floating-point instructions on a scale of 0 to 10. Note that this doesn't specify the utilization level of tensor core unit | Multi-context |
| inst_bit_convert              | Number of bit-conversion instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| inst_compute_ld_st            | Number of compute load/store instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                                                                                               | Multi-context |
| inst_control                  | Number of control-flow instructions executed by non-predicated threads (jump, branch, etc.)                                                                                                                | Multi-context |
| inst_executed                 | The number of instructions executed                                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_global_atomics  | Warp level instructions for global atom and atom cas                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                      | Description                                                                                                           | Scope         |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| inst_executed_global_loads       | Warp level instructions for global loads                                                                              | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_global_reductions  | Warp level instructions for global reductions                                                                         | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_global_stores      | Warp level instructions for global stores                                                                             | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_local_loads        | Warp level instructions for local loads                                                                               | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_local_stores       | Warp level instructions for local stores                                                                              | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_shared_atomics     | Warp level shared instructions for atom and atom CAS                                                                  | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_shared_loads       | Warp level instructions for shared loads                                                                              | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_shared_stores      | Warp level instructions for shared stores                                                                             | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_surface_atomics    | Warp level instructions for surface atom and atom cas                                                                 | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_surface_loads      | Warp level instructions for surface loads                                                                             | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_surface_reductions | Warp level instructions for surface reductions                                                                        | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_surface_stores     | Warp level instructions for surface stores                                                                            | Multi-context |
| inst_executed_tex_ops            | Warp level instructions for texture                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| inst_fp_16                       | Number of half-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.)   | Multi-context |
| inst_fp_32                       | Number of single-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) | Multi-context |
| inst_fp_64                       | Number of double-precision floating-point instructions executed by non-predicated threads (arithmetic, compare, etc.) | Multi-context |
| inst_integer                     | Number of integer instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                                     | Multi-context |
| inst_inter_thread_communication  | Number of inter-thread communication instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                  | Multi-context |
| inst_issued                      | The number of instructions issued                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| inst_misc                        | Number of miscellaneous instructions executed by non-predicated threads                                               | Multi-context |
| inst_per_warp                    | Average number of instructions executed by each warp                                                                  | Multi-context |
| inst_replay_overhead             | Average number of replays for each instruction executed                                                               | Multi-context |
| ipc                              | Instructions executed per cycle                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| issue_slot_utilization           | Percentage of issue slots that issued at least one instruction, averaged across all cycles                            | Multi-context |
| issue_slots                      | The number of issue slots used                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| issued_ipc                       | Instructions issued per cycle                                                                                         | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                  | Description                                                                                    | Scope         |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| l2_atomic_throughput         | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for atomic and reduction requests                      | Multi-context |
| l2_atomic_transactions       | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for atomic and reduction requests                    | Multi-context |
| l2_global_atomic_store_bytes | Bytes written to L2 from L1 for global atomics (ATOM and ATOM CAS)                             | Multi-context |
| l2_global_load_bytes         | Bytes read from L2 for misses in L1 for global loads                                           | Multi-context |
| l2_local_global_store_bytes  | Bytes written to L2 from L1 for local and global stores. This does not include global atomics. | Multi-context |
| l2_local_load_bytes          | Bytes read from L2 for misses in L1 for local loads                                            | Multi-context |
| l2_read_throughput           | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for all read requests                                  | Multi-context |
| l2_read_transactions         | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for all read requests                                | Multi-context |
| l2_surface_load_bytes        | Bytes read from L2 for misses in L1 for surface loads                                          | Multi-context |
| l2_surface_store_bytes       | Bytes read from L2 for misses in L1 for surface stores                                         | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_hit_rate              | Hit rate at L2 cache for all requests from texture cache                                       | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_read_hit_rate         | Hit rate at L2 cache for all read requests from texture cache                                  | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_read_throughput       | Memory read throughput seen at L2 cache for read requests from the texture cache               | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_read_transactions     | Memory read transactions seen at L2 cache for read requests from the texture cache             | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_write_hit_rate        | Hit Rate at L2 cache for all write requests from texture cache                                 | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_write_throughput      | Memory write throughput seen at L2 cache for write requests from the texture cache             | Multi-context |
| l2_tex_write_transactions    | Memory write transactions seen at L2 cache for write requests from the texture cache           | Multi-context |
| l2_utilization               | The utilization level of the L2 cache relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10   | Multi-context |
| l2_write_throughput          | Memory write throughput seen at L2 cache for all write requests                                | Multi-context |
| l2_write_transactions        | Memory write transactions seen at L2 cache for all write requests                              | Multi-context |
| ldst_executed                | Number of executed local, global, shared and texture memory load and store instructions        | Multi-context |
| ldst_fu_utilization          | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute shared load, shared    | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                          | Description                                                                                                                                   | Scope         |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
|                                      | store and constant load instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                    |               |
| ldst_issued                          | Number of issued local, global, shared and texture memory load and store instructions                                                         | Multi-context |
| local_hit_rate                       | Hit rate for local loads and stores                                                                                                           | Multi-context |
| local_load_requests                  | Total number of local load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| local_load_throughput                | Local memory load throughput                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| local_load_transactions              | Number of local memory load transactions                                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| local_load_transactions_per_request  | Average number of local memory load transactions performed for each local memory load                                                         | Multi-context |
| local_memory_overhead                | Ratio of local memory traffic to total memory traffic between the L1 and L2 caches expressed as percentage                                    | Multi-context |
| local_store_requests                 | Total number of local store requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| local_store_throughput               | Local memory store throughput                                                                                                                 | Multi-context |
| local_store_transactions             | Number of local memory store transactions                                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| local_store_transactions_per_request | Average number of local memory store transactions performed for each local memory store                                                       | Multi-context |
| nvlink_overhead_data_received        | Ratio of overhead data to the total data, received through NVLink.                                                                            | Device        |
| nvlink_overhead_data_transmitted     | Ratio of overhead data to the total data, transmitted through NVLink.                                                                         | Device        |
| nvlink_receive_throughput            | Number of bytes received per second through NVLinks.                                                                                          | Device        |
| nvlink_total_data_received           | Total data bytes received through NVLinks including headers.                                                                                  | Device        |
| nvlink_total_data_transmitted        | Total data bytes transmitted through NVLinks including headers.                                                                               | Device        |
| nvlink_total_nratom_data_transmitted | Total non-reduction atomic data bytes transmitted through NVLinks.                                                                            | Device        |
| nvlink_total_ratom_data_transmitted  | Total reduction atomic data bytes transmitted through NVLinks.                                                                                | Device        |
| nvlink_total_response_data_received  | Total response data bytes received through NVLink, response data includes data for read requests and result of non-reduction atomic requests. | Device        |
| nvlink_total_write_data_transmitted  | Total write data bytes transmitted through NVLinks.                                                                                           | Device        |
| nvlink_transmit_throughput           | Number of Bytes Transmitted per second through NVLinks.                                                                                       | Device        |

| Metric Name                           | Description                                                                                                                                        | Scope         |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| nvlink_user_data_received             | User data bytes received through NVLinks, doesn't include headers.                                                                                 | Device        |
| nvlink_user_data_transmitted          | User data bytes transmitted through NVLinks, doesn't include headers.                                                                              | Device        |
| nvlink_user_nratom_data_transmitted   | Total non-reduction atomic user data bytes transmitted through NVLinks.                                                                            | Device        |
| nvlink_user_ratom_data_transmitted    | Total reduction atomic user data bytes transmitted through NVLinks.                                                                                | Device        |
| nvlink_user_response_data_received    | Total user response data bytes received through NVLink, response data includes data for read requests and result of non-reduction atomic requests. | Device        |
| nvlink_user_write_data_transmitted    | User write data bytes transmitted through NVLinks.                                                                                                 | Device        |
| pcie_total_data_received              | Total data bytes received through PCIe                                                                                                             | Device        |
| pcie_total_data_transmitted           | Total data bytes transmitted through PCIe                                                                                                          | Device        |
| shared_efficiency                     | Ratio of requested shared memory throughput to required shared memory throughput expressed as percentage                                           | Multi-context |
| shared_load_throughput                | Shared memory load throughput                                                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| shared_load_transactions              | Number of shared memory load transactions                                                                                                          | Multi-context |
| shared_load_transactions_per_request  | Average number of shared memory load transactions performed for each shared memory load                                                            | Multi-context |
| shared_store_throughput               | Shared memory store throughput                                                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| shared_store_transactions             | Number of shared memory store transactions                                                                                                         | Multi-context |
| shared_store_transactions_per_request | Average number of shared memory store transactions performed for each shared memory store                                                          | Multi-context |
| shared_utilization                    | The utilization level of the shared memory relative to peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                      | Multi-context |
| single_precision_fu_utilization       | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute single-precision floating-point instructions on a scale of 0 to 10         | Multi-context |
| sm_efficiency                         | The percentage of time at least one warp is active on a specific multiprocessor                                                                    | Multi-context |
| special_fu_utilization                | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute sin, cos, ex2, popc, flo, and similar instructions on a scale of 0 to 10   | Multi-context |
| stall_constant_memory_dependency      | Percentage of stalls occurring because of immediate constant cache miss                                                                            | Multi-context |
| stall_exec_dependency                 | Percentage of stalls occurring because an input required by the instruction is not yet available                                                   | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Scope         |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| stall_inst_fetch           | Percentage of stalls occurring because the next assembly instruction has not yet been fetched                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| stall_memory_dependency    | Percentage of stalls occurring because a memory operation cannot be performed due to the required resources not being available or fully utilized, or because too many requests of a given type are outstanding | Multi-context |
| stall_memory_throttle      | Percentage of stalls occurring because of memory throttle                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| stall_not_selected         | Percentage of stalls occurring because warp was not selected                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| stall_other                | Percentage of stalls occurring due to miscellaneous reasons                                                                                                                                                     | Multi-context |
| stall_pipe_busy            | Percentage of stalls occurring because a compute operation cannot be performed because the compute pipeline is busy                                                                                             | Multi-context |
| stall_sleeping             | Percentage of stalls occurring because warp was sleeping                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| stall_sync                 | Percentage of stalls occurring because the warp is blocked at a __syncthreads() call                                                                                                                            | Multi-context |
| stall_texture              | Percentage of stalls occurring because the texture sub-system is fully utilized or has too many outstanding requests                                                                                            | Multi-context |
| surface_atomic_requests    | Total number of surface atomic(Atom and Atom CAS) requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| surface_load_requests      | Total number of surface load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| surface_reduction_requests | Total number of surface reduction requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| surface_store_requests     | Total number of surface store requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context |
| sysmem_read_bytes          | Number of bytes read from system memory                                                                                                                                                                         | Multi-context |
| sysmem_read_throughput     | System memory read throughput                                                                                                                                                                                   | Multi-context |
| sysmem_read_transactions   | Number of system memory read transactions                                                                                                                                                                       | Multi-context |
| sysmem_read_utilization    | The read utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                                          | Multi-context |
| sysmem_utilization         | The utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                                               | Multi-context |
| sysmem_write_bytes         | Number of bytes written to system memory                                                                                                                                                                        | Multi-context |
| sysmem_write_throughput    | System memory write throughput                                                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| sysmem_write_transactions  | Number of system memory write transactions                                                                                                                                                                      | Multi-context |

| Metric Name                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                        | Scope         |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| sysmem_write_utilization          | The write utilization level of the system memory relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                            | Multi-context |
| tensor_precision_fu_utilization   | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute tensor core instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                             | Multi-context |
| tensor_int_fu_utilization         | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute tensor core int8 instructions on a scale of 0 to 10. This metric is only available for device with compute capability 7.2. | Multi-context |
| tex_cache_hit_rate                | Unified cache hit rate                                                                                                                                                                             | Multi-context |
| tex_cache_throughput              | Unified cache to Multiprocessor read throughput                                                                                                                                                    | Multi-context |
| tex_cache_transactions            | Unified cache to Multiprocessor read transactions                                                                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| tex_fu_utilization                | The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute global, local and texture memory instructions on a scale of 0 to 10                                                        | Multi-context |
| tex_utilization                   | The utilization level of the unified cache relative to the peak utilization on a scale of 0 to 10                                                                                                  | Multi-context |
| texture_load_requests             | Total number of texture Load requests from Multiprocessor                                                                                                                                          | Multi-context |
| warp_execution_efficiency         | Ratio of the average active threads per warp to the maximum number of threads per warp supported on a multiprocessor                                                                               | Multi-context |
| warp_nonpred_execution_efficiency | Ratio of the average active threads per warp executing non-predicated instructions to the maximum number of threads per warp supported on a multiprocessor                                         | Multi-context |

## 1.7. CUPTI Profiling API

This section covers performance profiling Host and Target APIs for CUDA. Broadly profiling APIs are divided into following four sections:

- ▶ Enumeration (Host)
- ▶ Configuration (Host)
- ▶ Collection (Target)
- ▶ Evaluation (Host)

Host APIs provide a [metric](#) interface for enumeration, configuration and evaluation that doesn't require a compute(GPU) device, and can also run in an offline mode. In the samples section under [extensions](#), profiler host utility covers the usage of host APIs.

Target APIs are used for data collection of the metrics and requires a compute (GPU) device. Refer to samples [auto\\_rangeProfiling](#) and [userrange\\_profiling](#) for usage of new profiling APIs.

The list of metrics has been overhauled from earlier generation metrics and event APIs, to support a standard naming convention based upon

**unit\_\_(subunit?)\_(pipestage?)\_quantity\_qualifiers**

### 1.7.1. Multi Pass Collection

NVIDIA GPU hardware has a limited number of counter registers and cannot collect all possible counters concurrently. There are also limitations on which counters can be collected together in a single [pass](#). This is resolved by replaying the exact same set of GPU workloads multiple times, where each replay is termed a [pass](#). On each pass, a different subset of requested counters are collected. Once all passes are collected, the data is available for evaluation. Certain metrics have many counters as inputs; adding a single metric may require many passes to collect. CUPTI APIs support multi pass collection through different collection attributes.

### 1.7.2. Range Profiling

Each profiling session runs a series of replay passes, where each pass contains a sequence of ranges. Every metric enabled in the session's configuration is collected separately per unique range-stack in the pass. CUPTI supports auto and user defined ranges.

#### 1.7.2.1. Auto Range

In a session with auto range mode, ranges are defined around each kernel automatically with a unique name assigned to each range, while profiling is enabled. This mode is useful for tight metric collection around each kernel. A user can choose one of the supported replay modes, pseudo code for each is described below:

#### Kernel Replay

The replay logic (multiple pass, if needed) is done by CUPTI implicitly (opaque to the user), and usage of CUPTI replay API's **cuptiProfilerBeginPass** and **cuptiProfilerEndPass** will be a no-op in this mode. This mode is useful for collecting metrics around a kernel in tight control. Each kernel launch is asynchronized to segregate its metrics into a separate range, and a CPU-GPU sync is made to ensure the profiled data is collected from GPU. Counter Collection can be enabled and disabled

with **cuptiProfilerEnableProfiling** and **cuptiProfilerDisableProfiling**.  
Refer to the sample [autorange\\_profiling](#)

```

/* Assume Inputs(counterDataImagePrefix and configImage) from configuration
phase at host */
void Collection(std::vector<uint8_t>& counterDataImagePrefix,
std::vector<uint8_t>& configImage)
{
    CUpti_Profiler_Initialize_Params profilerInitializeParams =
    { CUpti_Profiler_Initialize_Params_STRUCT_SIZE };
    cuptiProfilerInitialize(&profilerInitializeParams);

    std::vector<uint8_t> counterDataImages;
    std::vector<uint8_t> counterDataScratchBuffer;
    CreateCounterDataImage(counterDataImages, counterDataScratchBuffer,
    counterDataImagePrefix);

    CUpti_Profiler_BeginSession_Params beginSessionParams =
    { CUpti_Profiler_BeginSession_Params_STRUCT_SIZE };
    CUpti_ProfilerRange profilerRange = CUPTI_AutoRange;
    CUpti_ProfilerReplayMode profilerReplayMode = CUPTI_ReplayKernel;

    beginSessionParams.ctx = NULL;
    beginSessionParams.counterDataImageSize = counterDataImage.size();
    beginSessionParams.pCounterDataImage = &counterDataImage[0];
    beginSessionParams.counterDataScratchBufferSize =
    counterDataScratchBuffer.size();
    beginSessionParams.pCounterDataScratchBuffer = &counterDataScratchBuffer[0];
    beginSessionParams.collectionMethod = profilerCollectionMethod;
    beginSessionParams.replayMode = profilerReplayMode;
    beginSessionParams.maxRangesPerPass = num_ranges;
    beginSessionParams.maxLaunchesPerPass = num_ranges;

    cuptiProfilerBeginSession(&beginSessionParams));

    CUpti_Profiler_SetConfig_Params setConfigParams =
    { CUpti_Profiler_SetConfig_Params_STRUCT_SIZE };
    setConfigParams.pConfig = &configImage[0];
    setConfigParams.configSize = configImage.size();

    cuptiProfilerSetConfig(&setConfigParams));

    kernelA <<<grid, tids >>>(...); // KernelA not Profiled

    CUpti_Profiler_EnableProfiling_Params enableProfilingParams =
    { CUpti_Profiler_EnableProfiling_Params_STRUCT_SIZE };
    cuptiProfilerEnableProfiling(&enableProfilingParams);
    {
        kernelB <<<grid, tids >> >(...); // KernelB Profiled and captured
        in an unique range.
        kernelB <<<grid, tids >>>(...); // KernelB Profiled and captured
        in an unique range.
        kernelC <<<grid, tids >>>(...); // KernelC Profiled and captured
        in a unique range.
    }

    CUpti_Profiler_DisableProfiling_Params disableProfilingParams =
    { CUpti_Profiler_DisableProfiling_Params_STRUCT_SIZE };
    cuptiProfilerDisableProfiling(&disableProfilingParams);

    kernelD <<<grid, tids >>>(...) // KernelA not Profiled

    CUpti_Profiler_UnsetConfig_Params unsetConfigParams =
    { CUpti_Profiler_UnsetConfig_Params_STRUCT_SIZE };
    cuptiProfilerUnsetConfig(&unsetConfigParams);

    CUpti_Profiler_EndSession_Params endSessionParams =
    { CUpti_Profiler_EndSession_Params_STRUCT_SIZE };
    cuptiProfilerEndSession(&endSessionParams);
}

```

## User Replay

The replay (multiple passes, if needed) is done by the user using the replay API's **`cuptiProfilerBeginPass`** and **`cuptiProfilerEndPass`**. It is user responsibility to flush the counter data **`cuptiProfilerFlushCounterData`** before ending the session to ensure collection of metric data in CPU. Counter collection can be enabled and disabled

with `cuptiProfilerEnableProfiling/ cuptiProfilerDisableProfiling`. Refer to the sample [autorange\\_profiling](#)

```

/* Assume Inputs(counterDataImagePrefix and configImage) from configuration
phase at host */

void Collection(std::vector<uint8_t>& counterDataImagePrefix,
std::vector<uint8_t>& configImage)
{
    CUpti_Profiler_Initialize_Params profilerInitializeParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_Initialize_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
    cuptiProfilerInitialize(&profilerInitializeParams);

    std::vector<uint8_t> counterDataImages;
    std::vector<uint8_t> counterDataScratchBuffer;
    CreateCounterDataImage(counterDataImages, counterDataScratchBuffer,
counterDataImagePrefix);

    CUpti_Profiler_BeginSession_Params beginSessionParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_BeginSession_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
    CUpti_ProfilerRange profilerRange = CUPTI_AutoRange;
    CUpti_ProfilerReplayMode profilerReplayMode = CUPTI_ReplayKernel;

    beginSessionParams.ctx = NULL;
    beginSessionParams.counterDataImageSize = counterDataImage.size();
    beginSessionParams.pCounterDataImage = &counterDataImage[0];
    beginSessionParams.counterDataScratchBufferSize =
counterDataScratchBuffer.size();
    beginSessionParams.pCounterDataScratchBuffer =
&counterDataScratchBuffer[0];
    beginSessionParams.collectionMethod = profilerCollectionMethod;
    beginSessionParams.replayMode = profilerReplayMode;
    beginSessionParams.maxRangesPerPass = num_ranges;
    beginSessionParams.maxLaunchesPerPass = num_ranges;

    cuptiProfilerBeginSession(&beginSessionParams));

    CUpti_Profiler_SetConfig_Params setConfigParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_SetConfig_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
    setConfigParams.pConfig = &configImage[0];
    setConfigParams.configSize = configImage.size();

    cuptiProfilerSetConfig(&setConfigParams));

    CUpti_Profiler_FlushCounterData_Params cuptiFlushCounterDataParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_FlushCounterData_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};

    CUpti_Profiler_EnableProfiling_Params enableProfilingParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_EnableProfiling_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};

    CUpti_Profiler_DisableProfiling_Params disableProfilingParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_DisableProfiling_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};

    kernelA<<<grid, tids>>>(...);                // KernelA neither
profiler, nor replayed

    CUpti_Profiler_BeginPass_Params beginPassParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_BeginPass_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
    CUpti_Profiler_EndPass_Params endPassParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_EndPass_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};

    cuptiProfilerBeginPass(&beginPassParams);
    {
        kernelB<<<grid, tids>>>(...);                // Replayed but not
profiled

        cuptiProfilerEnableProfiling(&enableProfilingParams);

        kernelB<<<grid, tids>>>(...);                // KernelB Profiled and
captured in an unique range.
        kernelC<<<grid, tids>>>(...);                // KernelC Profiled and
captured in an unique range.

```

## Application Replay

This replay mode is same as user replay, instead of in process replay, you can replay the whole process again. You will need to update the pass index while setting the config **cuptiProfilerSetConfig** and reload the intermediate counterDataImage on each pass.

### 1.7.2.2. User Range

In a session with user range mode, ranges are defined by you, **cuptiProfilerPushRange** and **cuptiProfilerPopRange**. Kernel launches are concurrent within a range. This mode is useful for metric data collection around a specific section of code, instead of per-kernel metric collection. Kernel replay is not supported in user range mode. You own the responsibility of replay using **cuptiProfilerBeginPass** and **cuptiProfilerEndPass**.

## User Replay

The replay (multiple passes, if needed) is done by the user using the replay API's **cuptiProfilerBeginPass** and **cuptiProfilerEndPass**. It is your responsibility to flush the counter data using **cuptiProfilerFlushCounterData** before ending the session. Counter collection can be enabled/disabled with

**cuptiProfilerEnableProfiling** and **cuptiProfilerDisableProfiling**. Refer to the sample [userrange\\_profiling](#)

```
>
/* Assume Inputs(counterDataImagePrefix and configImage) from configuration
phase at host */

void Collection(std::vector<uint8_t>& counterDataImagePrefix,
std::vector<uint8_t>& configImage)
{
    CUpti_Profiler_Initialize_Params profilerInitializeParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_Initialize_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
    cuptiProfilerInitialize(&profilerInitializeParams);

    std::vector<uint8_t> counterDataImages;
    std::vector<uint8_t> counterDataScratchBuffer;
    CreateCounterDataImage(counterDataImages, counterDataScratchBuffer,
counterDataImagePrefix);

    CUpti_Profiler_BeginSession_Params beginSessionParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_BeginSession_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
    CUpti_ProfilerRange profilerRange = CUPTI_AutoRange;
    CUpti_ProfilerReplayMode profilerReplayMode = CUPTI_ReplayKernel;

    beginSessionParams.ctx = NULL;
    beginSessionParams.counterDataImageSize = counterDataImage.size();
    beginSessionParams.pCounterDataImage = &counterDataImage[0];
    beginSessionParams.counterDataScratchBufferSize =
counterDataScratchBuffer.size();
    beginSessionParams.pCounterDataScratchBuffer =
&counterDataScratchBuffer[0];
    beginSessionParams.collectionMethod = profilerCollectionMethod;
    beginSessionParams.replayMode = profilerReplayMode;
    beginSessionParams.maxRangesPerPass = num_ranges;
    beginSessionParams.maxLaunchesPerPass = num_ranges;

    cuptiProfilerBeginSession(&beginSessionParams));

    CUpti_Profiler_SetConfig_Params setConfigParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_SetConfig_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
    setConfigParams.pConfig = &configImage[0];
    setConfigParams.configSize = configImage.size();

    cuptiProfilerSetConfig(&setConfigParams));

    CUpti_Profiler_FlushCounterData_Params cuptiFlushCounterDataParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_FlushCounterData_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};

    kernelA<<<grid, tids>>>(...);                // KernelA neither
profiler, nor replayed

    CUpti_Profiler_BeginPass_Params beginPassParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_BeginPass_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
    CUpti_Profiler_EndPass_Params endPassParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_EndPass_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};

    cuptiProfilerBeginPass(&beginPassParams);
    {
        kernelB<<<grid, tids>>>(...);                // Replayed but not
profiled

        CUpti_Profiler_PushRange_Params enableProfilingParams =
{CUpti_Profiler_PushRange_Params_STRUCT_SIZE};
        pushRangeParams.pRangeName = "RangeA";
        cuptiProfilerPushRange(&pushRangeParams);

        kernelB<<<grid, tids>>>(...);
        kernelC<<<grid, tids>>>(...);

        cuptiProfilerPopRange(&popRangeParams);        // Kernel B and Kernel C
are captured in rangeA without any serialization introduced by profiler
    }
    cuptiProfilerEndPass(&endPassParams);
    cuptiProfilerFlushCounterData(&cuptiFlushCounterDataParams);
}
```

## Application Replay

This replay mode is same as user replay, instead of in process replay, you can replay the whole process again. You will need to update the pass index while setting the config using the `cuptiProfilerSetConfig` API, and reload the intermediate `counterDataImage` on each pass.

### 1.7.3. CUPTI Profiler Definitions

Definitions of glossary used in this section.

**Counter:**

The number of occurrences of a specific event on the `device`.

**Configuration Image:**

A Blob to configure the session for `counters` to be collected.

**CounterData Image:**

A Blob which contains the values of collected `counters`

**CounterData Prefix:**

A metadata header for `CounterData Image`

**Device:**

A physical NVIDIA GPU.

**Event:**

An event is a countable activity, action, or occurrence on `device`.

**Metric:**

A high-level value derived from `counter` values.

**Pass:**

A repeatable set of operations, with consistently labeled `ranges`.

**Range:**

A labeled region of execution

**Replay:**

Performing the repeatable set of operation.

**Session:**

A profiling session where GPU resources needed for profiling are allocated. The profiler is in armed state at session boundaries, and power management may be disabled at session boundaries. Outside of a session, the GPU will return to its normal operating state.

## 1.8. Perfworks Metrics API

### Introduction:

The Perfworks Metrics API supports the enumeration, configuration, and evaluation of metrics. The binary outputs of the configuration phase are inputs to the `CUPTI Range`

**Profiling API.** The output of Range Profiling is the **CounterData**, which is passed to the Derived Metrics Evaluation APIs.

GPU Metrics are generally presented as counts, ratios, and percentages. The underlying values collected from hardware are raw counters (analogous to CUPTI events), but those details are hidden behind derived metric formulas.

The Metrics APIs are split into two layers: Derived Metrics and Raw Metrics. Derived Metrics contains the list of named metrics, and performs evaluation to numeric results, serving a similar purpose as [the previous CUPTI Metric API](#). Most user interaction will be with derived metrics. Raw Metrics contains the list of raw counters, and generates configuration file images analogous to [the previous CUPTI Event API](#).

## Metric Enumeration

Metric Enumeration is the process of listing available counters and metrics.

Refer to file `List.cpp` used by the [userrange\\_profiling sample](#).

The outline for enumerating metrics expanded by Perfworks:

- ▶ Call **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetMetricNames\_Begin** to allow Perfworks to expand the metric names.
- ▶ Copy the string names from the output buffer.
- ▶ Call **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetMetricNames\_End** to free the string names allocated by Perfworks by `_Begin`.

The outline for enumerating counters:

- ▶ Call **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetCounterNames\_Begin** to allow Perfworks to expand the metric names.
- ▶ Copy the string names from the output buffer.
- ▶ Call **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetCounterNames\_End** to free the string names allocated by Perfworks by `_Begin`.
- ▶ Generate metric names from the counter names, using the formulaic expansions described in [Metric Entities](#).

Ratios and throughputs follow a similar pattern, with **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetRatioNames\_Begin** and **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetThroughputNames\_Begin**.

To programmatically determine the constituents of a Throughput metric:

- ▶ Call **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetThroughputBreakdown\_Begin + \_End** to retrieve the list of counters and sub-throughputs
- ▶ For each sub-throughput, recursively repeat the procedure of querying counters and sub-throughputs, until none remain.

## Configuration Workflow

Configuration is the process of specifying the metrics that will be collected and how those metrics should be collected. The inputs for this phase are the metric names and metric collection properties. The output for this phase is a **ConfigImage** and a **CounterDataPrefix** Image.

Refer to file `Metric.cpp` used by the [userrange\\_profiling sample](#).

The outline for configuring metrics:

- ▶ As input, take a list of metric names.
- ▶ For each metric, call **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetMetricProperties\_Begin** to query its raw metric dependencies.
- ▶ For each raw metric dependency in `NVPW_MetricsContext_GetMetricProperties_Begin_Params::ppRawMetricDependen`
  - ▶ Create an **NVPA\_RawMetricRequest** with `keepInstances=true` and `isolated=true`
  - ▶ Pass the **NVPA\_RawMetricRequest** to **NVPW\_RawMetricsConfig\_AddMetrics** for the **ConfigImage**.
  - ▶ Pass the **NVPA\_RawMetricRequest** to **NVPW\_CounterDataBuilder\_AddMetrics** for the **CounterDataPrefix**.
- ▶ Generate binary configuration "images" (file format in memory):
  - ▶ **ConfigImage** from **NVPW\_RawMetricsConfig\_GetConfigImage**
  - ▶ **CounterDataPrefix** from **NVPW\_CounterDataBuilder\_GetCounterDataPrefix**

## Metric Evaluation

Metric Evaluation is the process of forming metrics from the counters stored in the **CounterData** image.

Refer to file `Eval.cpp` used by the [userrange\\_profiling sample](#).

The outline for configuring metrics:

- ▶ As input, take the same list of metric names as used during configuration.
- ▶ As input, take a **CounterDataImage** collected on a target device.
- ▶ Query the number of ranges collected via **NVPW\_CounterData\_GetNumRanges**.
- ▶ For each range:
  - ▶ Call **NVPW\_Profiler\_CounterData\_GetRangeDescriptions** to retrieve the range's description, originally set by `cuptiProfilerPushRange`.
  - ▶ Call **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_SetCounterData** to set the current range for evaluation on the **NVPA\_MetricsContext**.

- Call **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_EvaluateToGpuValues** to query an array of numeric values corresponding to each input metric.

## 1.8.1. Derived metrics

### Metrics Overview

The PerfWorks API comes with an advanced metrics calculation system, designed to help you determine what happened (counters and metrics), and how close the program reached to peak GPU performance (throughputs as a percentage). Every counter has associated peak rates in the database, to allow computing its throughput as a percentage.

Throughput metrics return the maximum percentage value of their constituent counters. Constituents can be programmatically queried via **NVPW\_MetricsContext\_GetThroughputNames\_Begin**. These constituents have been carefully selected to represent the sections of the GPU pipeline that govern peak performance. While all counters can be converted to a %-of-peak, not all counters are suitable for peak-performance analysis; examples of unsuitable counters include qualified subsets of activity, and workload residency counters. Using throughput metrics ensures meaningful and actionable analysis.

Two types of peak rates are available for every counter: burst and sustained. Burst rate is the maximum rate reportable in a single clock cycle. Sustained rate is the maximum rate achievable over an infinitely long measurement period, for "typical" operations. For many counters, burst == sustained. Since the burst rate cannot be exceeded, percentages of burst rate will always be less than 100%. Percentages of sustained rate can occasionally exceed 100% in edge cases.

### Metrics Entities

The Metrics layer has 3 major types of entities:

- Metrics : these are calculated quantities, with the following static properties:
  - Description string.
  - Dimensional Units : a list of ('name', exponent) in the style of [dimensional analysis](#). Example string representation: `pixels / gpc_clk`.
  - Raw Metric dependencies : the list of raw metrics that must be collected, in order to evaluate the metric.
  - Every metric has the following sub-metrics built in.

|                              |                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <code>.peak_burst</code>     | the peak burst rate     |
| <code>.peak_sustained</code> | the peak sustained rate |

|                                             |                                                                      |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>.per_active_cycle</code>              | the number of operations per unit active cycle                       |
| <code>.per_elapsed_cycle</code>             | the number of operations per unit elapsed cycle                      |
| <code>.per_region_cycle</code>              | the number of operations per user-specified "range" cycle            |
| <code>.per_frame_cycle</code>               | the number of operations per user-specified "frame" cycle            |
| <code>.per_second</code>                    | the number of operations per user-specified "frame" cycle            |
| <code>.pct_of_peak_burst_active</code>      | % of peak burst rate achieved during unit active cycles              |
| <code>.pct_of_peak_burst_elapsed</code>     | % of peak burst rate achieved during unit elapsed cycles             |
| <code>.pct_of_peak_burst_region</code>      | % of peak burst rate achieved over a user-specified "range" time     |
| <code>.pct_of_peak_burst_frame</code>       | % of peak burst rate achieved over a user-specified "frame" time     |
| <code>.pct_of_peak_sustained_active</code>  | % of peak sustained rate achieved during unit active cycles          |
| <code>.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed</code> | % of peak sustained rate achieved during unit elapsed cycles         |
| <code>.pct_of_peak_sustained_region</code>  | % of peak sustained rate achieved over a user-specified "range" time |
| <code>.pct_of_peak_sustained_frame</code>   | % of peak sustained rate achieved over a user-specified "frame" time |

- Counters : may be either a raw counter from the GPU, or a calculated counter value. Every counter has 4 sub-metrics under it:

|                   |                                                      |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>.sum</code> | The sum of counter values across all unit instances. |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------|

|      |                                                      |
|------|------------------------------------------------------|
| .avg | The average counter value across all unit instances. |
| .min | The minimum counter value across all unit instances. |
| .max | The maximum counter value across all unit instances. |

- Ratios : . Every counter has 2 sub-metrics under it:

|        |                                      |
|--------|--------------------------------------|
| .pct   | The value expressed as a percentage. |
| .ratio | The value expressed as a ratio.      |

- Throughputs : a family of percentage metrics that indicate how close a portion of the GPU reached to peak rate. Every throughput has the following sub-metrics:

|                                |                                                                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| .pct_of_peak_burst_active      | % of peak burst rate achieved during unit active cycles              |
| .pct_of_peak_burst_elapsed     | % of peak burst rate achieved during unit elapsed cycles             |
| .pct_of_peak_burst_region      | % of peak burst rate achieved over a user-specified "range" time     |
| .pct_of_peak_burst_frame       | % of peak burst rate achieved over a user-specified "frame" time     |
| .pct_of_peak_sustained_active  | % of peak sustained rate achieved during unit active cycles          |
| .pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed | % of peak sustained rate achieved during unit elapsed cycles         |
| .pct_of_peak_sustained_region  | % of peak sustained rate achieved over a user-specified "range" time |
| .pct_of_peak_sustained_frame   | % of peak sustained rate achieved over a user-specified "frame" time |

At the configuration step, you must specify metric names. Counters, ratios, and throughputs are not directly schedulable. The sum,avg,min,max sub-metrics for counters are also called "rollups".

## Metrics Examples

```
## non-metric names -- *not* directly evaluable
sm_inst_executed          # counter
smssp_average_warp_latency # ratio
sm_throughput             # throughput

## a counter's four sub-metrics -- all evaluable
sm_inst_executed.sum      # metric
sm_inst_executed.avg      # metric
sm_inst_executed.min      # metric
sm_inst_executed.max      # metric

## all names below are metrics -- all evaluable
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.peak_burst
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.peak_sustained
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.per_cycle_active
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.per_cycle_elapsed
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.per_cycle_region
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.per_cycle_frame
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.per_second
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.pct_of_peak_burst_active
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.pct_of_peak_burst_elapsed
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.pct_of_peak_burst_region
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.pct_of_peak_burst_frame
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.pct_of_peak_sustained_active
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.pct_of_peak_sustained_region
lltex_data_bank_conflicts_pipe_lsu.sum.pct_of_peak_sustained_frame
```

## Metrics Naming Conventions

Counters and metrics generally obey the naming scheme:

- ▶ **Unit-Level Counter :**  
unit\_\_(subunit?)(pipestage?)\_quantity\_(qualifiers?)
- ▶ **Interface Counter :**  
unit\_\_(subunit?)(pipestage?)(interface)\_quantity\_(qualifiers?)
- ▶ **Unit Metric:** (counter\_name).(rollup\_metric)
- ▶ **Sub-Metric:** (counter\_name).(rollup\_metric).(submetric)

where

- ▶ **unit:** A logical or physical unit of the GPU
- ▶ **subunit:** The subunit within the unit where the counter was measured. Sometimes this is a pipeline mode instead.
- ▶ **pipestage:** The pipeline stage within the subunit where the counter was measured.
- ▶ **quantity:** What is being measured. Generally matches the "dimensional units".
- ▶ **qualifiers:** Any additional predicates or filters applied to the counter. Often, an unqualified counter can be broken down into several qualified sub-components.
- ▶ **interface:** Of the form sender2receiver, where sender is the source-unit and receiver is the destination-unit.

- ▶ `rollup_metric`: One of `sum`, `avg`, `min`, `max`.
- ▶ `submetric`: refer to section [Metric Entities](#)

Components are not always present. Most top-level counters have no qualifiers. Subunit and pipestage may be absent where irrelevant, or there may be many subunit specifiers for detailed counters.

## Cycle Metrics

Counters using the term `cycles` in the name report the number of cycles in the unit's clock domain. Unit-level cycle metrics include:

- ▶ `unit__cycles_elapsed`: The number of cycles within a range. The cycles' DimUnits are specific to the unit's clock domain.
- ▶ `unit__cycles_active`: The number of cycles where the unit was processing data.
- ▶ `unit__cycles_stalled`: The number of cycles where the unit was unable to process new data because its output interface was blocked.
- ▶ `unit__cycles_idle`: The number of cycles where the unit was idle.

Interface-level cycle counters are often (not always) available in the following variations:

- ▶ `unit__(interface)__active`: Cycles where data was transferred from source-unit to destination-unit.
- ▶ `unit__(interface)__stalled`: Cycles where the source-unit had data, but the destination-unit was unable to accept data.

## 1.8.2. Raw Metrics

The raw metrics layer contains a list of low-level GPU counters, and the "scheduling" logic needed to program the hardware. The binary output files (**ConfigImage** and **CounterDataPrefix**) can be generated offline, stored on disk, and used on any compatible GPU. They do not need to be generated on a machine where a GPU is available.

Refer to [Metrics Configuration](#) to see where Raw Metrics fit into the overall data flow of the profiler.

## 1.8.3. Metrics Mapping Table

The table below lists the CUPTI metrics for devices with compute capability 7.0. For each CUPTI metric the closest equivalent Perfworks metric or formula is given. If no equivalent Perfworks metric is available the column is left blank. Note that there can be some difference in the metric values between the CUPTI metric and the Perfworks metrics.

Table 5 Metrics Mapping Table from CUPTI to Perfworks for Compute Capability 7.0

| CUPTI Metric                    | Perfworks Metric or Formula                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| achieved_occupancy              | sm__warps_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| atomic_transactions             | l1tex__t_set_accesses_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_atom.sum +<br>l1tex__t_set_accesses_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_red.sum +<br>l1tex__t_set_accesses_pipe_tex_mem_surface_op_atom.sum +<br>l1tex__t_set_accesses_pipe_tex_mem_surface_op_red.sum |
| atomic_transactions_per_request |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| branch_efficiency               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| cf_executed                     | smsp__inst_executed_pipe_cbu.sum +<br>smsp__inst_executed_pipe_adu.sum                                                                                                                                                                 |
| cf_fu_utilization               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| cf_issued                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| double_precision_fu_utilization | smsp__inst_executed_pipe_fp64.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active                                                                                                                                                                         |
| dram_read_bytes                 | dram__bytes_read.sum                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| dram_read_throughput            | dram__bytes_read.sum.per_second                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| dram_read_transactions          | dram__sectors_read.sum                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| dram_utilization                | dram__throughput.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| dram_write_bytes                | dram__bytes_write.sum                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| dram_write_throughput           | dram__bytes_write.sum.per_second                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| dram_write_transactions         | dram__sectors_write.sum                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| eligible_warps_per_cycle        | smsp__warps_eligible.sum.per_cycle_active                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| flop_count_dp                   | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_dadd_pred_on.sum +<br>smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_dmul_pred_on.sum +<br>smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_dfma_pred_on.sum                                                                  |
| flop_count_dp_add               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_dadd_pred_on.sum                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| flop_count_dp_fma               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_dfma_pred_on.sum                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| flop_count_dp_mul               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_dmul_pred_on.sum                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| flop_count_hp                   | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_hadd_pred_on.sum +<br>smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_hmul_pred_on.sum +<br>smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_hfma_pred_on.sum                                                                  |
| flop_count_hp_add               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_hadd_pred_on.sum                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| flop_count_hp_fma               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_hfma_pred_on.sum                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| flop_count_hp_mul               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_hmul_pred_on.sum                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| flop_count_sp                   | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_fadd_pred_on.sum +<br>smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_fmul_pred_on.sum +<br>smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_ffma_pred_on.sum                                                                  |
| flop_count_sp_add               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_fadd_pred_on.sum                                                                                                                                                                                    |

| CUPTI Metric                    | Perfworks Metric or Formula                                                                                                                       |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| flop_count_sp_fma               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_ffma_pred_on.sum                                                                                               |
| flop_count_sp_mul               | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_fmul_pred_on.sum                                                                                               |
| flop_count_sp_special           | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_mufu_pred_on.sum                                                                                               |
| flop_dp_efficiency              |                                                                                                                                                   |
| flop_hp_efficiency              |                                                                                                                                                   |
| flop_sp_efficiency              |                                                                                                                                                   |
| gld_efficiency                  |                                                                                                                                                   |
| gld_requested_throughput        |                                                                                                                                                   |
| gld_throughput                  | l1tex__t_bytes_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_ld.sum.per_second                                                                                           |
| gld_transactions                | l1tex__t_sectors_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_ld.sum                                                                                                    |
| gld_transactions_per_request    |                                                                                                                                                   |
| global_atomic_requests          | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_atom.sum                                                                                                 |
| global_hit_rate                 | $\text{l1tex__t_sectors\_pipe\_lsu\_mem\_global\_op\_}\{op\}\_lookup\_hit.sum / \text{l1tex__t\_sectors\_pipe\_lsu\_mem\_global\_op\_}\{op\}.sum$ |
| global_load_requests            | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_ld.sum                                                                                                   |
| global_reduction_requests       | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_red.sum                                                                                                  |
| global_store_requests           | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_st.sum                                                                                                   |
| gst_efficiency                  |                                                                                                                                                   |
| gst_requested_throughput        |                                                                                                                                                   |
| gst_throughput                  | l1tex__t_bytes_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_st.sum.per_second                                                                                           |
| gst_transactions                | l1tex__t_bytes_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_st.sum                                                                                                      |
| gst_transactions_per_request    |                                                                                                                                                   |
| half_precision_fu_utilization   | smsp__inst_executed_pipe_fp16.sum                                                                                                                 |
| inst_bit_convert                | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_conversion_pred_on.sum                                                                                         |
| inst_compute_ld_st              | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_memory_pred_on.sum                                                                                             |
| inst_control                    | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_control_pred_on.sum                                                                                            |
| inst_executed                   | smsp__inst_executed.sum                                                                                                                           |
| inst_executed_global_atomics    |                                                                                                                                                   |
| inst_executed_global_loads      | smsp__inst_executed_op_global_ld.sum                                                                                                              |
| inst_executed_global_reductions | smsp__inst_executed_op_global_red.sum                                                                                                             |
| inst_executed_global_stores     | smsp__inst_executed_op_global_st.sum                                                                                                              |
| inst_executed_local_loads       | smsp__inst_executed_op_local_ld.sum                                                                                                               |
| inst_executed_local_stores      | smsp__inst_executed_op_local_st.sum                                                                                                               |
| inst_executed_shared_atomics    | smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_atom.sum +<br>smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_atom_dot_alu.sum +<br>smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_atom_dot_cas.sum    |

| CUPTI Metric                     | Perfworks Metric or Formula                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| inst_executed_shared_loads       | smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_ld.sum                                                                                                          |
| inst_executed_shared_stores      | smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_st.sum                                                                                                          |
| inst_executed_surface_atomics    | smsp__inst_executed_op_surface_atom.sum                                                                                                       |
| inst_executed_surface_loads      | smsp__inst_executed_op_surface_ld.sum +<br>smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_atom_dot_alu.sum +<br>smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_atom_dot_cas.sum |
| inst_executed_surface_reductions | smsp__inst_executed_op_surface_red.sum                                                                                                        |
| inst_executed_surface_stores     | smsp__inst_executed_op_surface_st.sum                                                                                                         |
| inst_executed_tex_ops            | smsp__inst_executed_op_texture.sum                                                                                                            |
| inst_fp_16                       | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_fp16_pred_on.sum                                                                                           |
| inst_fp_32                       | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_fp32_pred_on.sum                                                                                           |
| inst_fp_64                       | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_fp64_pred_on.sum                                                                                           |
| inst_integer                     | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_integer_pred_on.sum                                                                                        |
| inst_inter_thread_communication  | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_inter_thread_communication_pred_on.sum                                                                     |
| inst_issued                      | smsp__inst_issued.sum                                                                                                                         |
| inst_misc                        | smsp__sass_thread_inst_executed_op_misc_pred_on.sum                                                                                           |
| inst_per_warp                    | smsp__average_inst_executed_per_warp.ratio                                                                                                    |
| inst_replay_overhead             |                                                                                                                                               |
| ipc                              | smsp__inst_executed.avg.per_cycle_active                                                                                                      |
| issue_slot_utilization           | smsp__issue_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active                                                                                           |
| issue_slots                      | smsp__inst_issued.sum                                                                                                                         |
| issued_ipc                       | smsp__inst_issued.avg.per_cycle_active                                                                                                        |
| l1_sm_lg_utilization             | l1tex__lsu_writeback_active.sum                                                                                                               |
| l2_atomic_throughput             | lts__t_sectors_srcunit_l1_op_atom.sum.per_second                                                                                              |
| l2_atomic_transactions           | lts__t_sectors_srcunit_l1_op_atom.sum                                                                                                         |
| l2_global_atomic_store_bytes     | lts__t_bytes_equiv_l1sectormiss_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_atom.sum                                                                               |
| l2_global_load_bytes             | lts__t_bytes_equiv_l1sectormiss_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_ld.sum                                                                                 |
| l2_local_global_store_bytes      | lts__t_bytes_equiv_l1sectormiss_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_st.sum                                                                                 |
| l2_local_load_bytes              | lts__t_bytes_equiv_l1sectormiss_pipe_lsu_mem_global_op_ld.sum                                                                                 |
| l2_read_throughput               | lts__t_sectors_op_read.sum.per_second                                                                                                         |
| l2_read_transactions             | lts__t_sectors_op_read.sum                                                                                                                    |
| l2_surface_load_bytes            | lts__t_bytes_equiv_l1sectormiss_pipe_tex_mem_surface_op_ld.sum                                                                                |
| l2_surface_store_bytes           | lts__t_bytes_equiv_l1sectormiss_pipe_lsu_mem_surface_op_st.sum                                                                                |
| l2_tex_hit_rate                  | lts__t_sector_hit_rate.pct                                                                                                                    |
| l2_tex_read_hit_rate             | lts__t_sector_op_read_hit_rate.pct                                                                                                            |
| l2_tex_read_throughput           | lts__t_sectors_srcunit_tex_op_read.sum.per_second                                                                                             |

| CUPTI Metric                         | Perfworks Metric or Formula                                   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| l2_tex_read_transactions             | lts__t_sectors_srcunit_tex_op_read.sum                        |
| l2_tex_write_hit_rate                | lts__t_sector_op_write_hit_rate.pct                           |
| l2_tex_write_throughput              | lts__t_sectors_srcunit_tex_op_read.sum.per_second             |
| l2_tex_write_transactions            | lts__t_sectors_srcunit_tex_op_read.sum                        |
| l2_utilization                       | lts__t_sectors.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed              |
| l2_write_throughput                  | lts__t_sectors_op_write.sum.per_second                        |
| l2_write_transactions                | lts__t_sectors_op_write.sum                                   |
| ldst_executed                        |                                                               |
| ldst_fu_utilization                  | smsp__inst_executed_pipe_lsu.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active |
| ldst_issued                          |                                                               |
| local_hit_rate                       |                                                               |
| local_load_requests                  | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_lsu_mem_local_op_ld.sum                |
| local_load_throughput                | l1tex__t_bytes_pipe_lsu_mem_local_op_ld.sum.per_second        |
| local_load_transactions              | l1tex__t_sectors_pipe_lsu_mem_local_op_ld.sum                 |
| local_load_transactions_per_request  |                                                               |
| local_memory_overhead                |                                                               |
| local_store_requests                 | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_lsu_mem_local_op_st.sum                |
| local_store_throughput               | l1tex__t_sectors_pipe_lsu_mem_local_op_st.sum.per_second      |
| local_store_transactions             | l1tex__t_sectors_pipe_lsu_mem_local_op_st.sum                 |
| local_store_transactions_per_request |                                                               |
| nvlink_data_receive_efficiency       |                                                               |
| nvlink_data_transmission_efficiency  |                                                               |
| nvlink_overhead_data_received        |                                                               |
| nvlink_overhead_data_transmitted     |                                                               |
| nvlink_receive_throughput            |                                                               |
| nvlink_total_data_received           |                                                               |
| nvlink_total_data_transmitted        |                                                               |
| nvlink_total_nratom_data_transmitted |                                                               |
| nvlink_total_ratom_data_transmitted  |                                                               |
| nvlink_total_response_data_received  |                                                               |
| nvlink_total_write_data_transmitted  |                                                               |
| nvlink_transmit_throughput           |                                                               |
| nvlink_user_data_received            |                                                               |
| nvlink_user_data_transmitted         |                                                               |
| nvlink_user_nratom_data_transmitted  |                                                               |

| CUPTI Metric                          | Perfworks Metric or Formula                                                                                                                   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| nvlink_user_ratom_data_transmitted    |                                                                                                                                               |
| nvlink_user_response_data_received    |                                                                                                                                               |
| nvlink_user_write_data_transmitted    |                                                                                                                                               |
| pcie_total_data_received              |                                                                                                                                               |
| pcie_total_data_transmitted           |                                                                                                                                               |
| shared_efficiency                     |                                                                                                                                               |
| shared_load_throughput                | smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_ld.sum.per_second                                                                                               |
| shared_load_transactions              | smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_ld.sum                                                                                                          |
| shared_load_transactions_per_request  |                                                                                                                                               |
| shared_store_throughput               | smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_st.sum.per_second                                                                                               |
| shared_store_transactions             | smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_st.sum                                                                                                          |
| shared_store_transactions_per_request |                                                                                                                                               |
| shared_utilization                    | smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_ld.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed<br>+<br>smsp__inst_executed_op_shared_st.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed |
| single_precision_fu_utilization       | smsp__pipe_fma_cycles_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active                                                                                 |
| sm_efficiency                         | smsp__cycles_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed                                                                                         |
| sm_tex_utilization                    | l1tex__texin_sm2tex_req_cycles_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed                                                                       |
| special_fu_utilization                | smsp__inst_executed_pipe_xu.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active                                                                                  |
| stall_constant_memory_dependency      | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_imc_miss_per_warp_active.pct                                                                                         |
| stall_exec_dependency                 | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_short_scoreboard_miss_per_warp_active.pct                                                                            |
| stall_inst_fetch                      | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_no_instruction_miss_per_warp_active.pct                                                                              |
| stall_memory_dependency               | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_long_scoreboard_miss_per_warp_active.pct                                                                             |
| stall_memory_throttle                 | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_drain_miss_per_warp_active.pct                                                                                       |
| stall_not_selected                    | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_not_selected_miss_per_warp_active.pct                                                                                |
| stall_other                           | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_misc_miss_per_warp_active.pct                                                                                        |
| stall_pipe_busy                       | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_misc_mio_throttle_per_warp_active.pct                                                                                |
| stall_sleeping                        | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_misc_sleeping_per_warp_active.pct                                                                                    |
| stall_sync                            | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_misc_membar_per_warp_active.pct                                                                                      |
| stall_texture                         | smsp__warp_issue_stalled_misc_tex_throttle_per_warp_active.pct                                                                                |
| surface_atomic_requests               | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_tex_mem_surface_op_atom.sum                                                                                            |
| surface_load_requests                 | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_tex_mem_surface_op_ld.sum                                                                                              |
| surface_reduction_requests            | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_tex_mem_surface_op_red.sum                                                                                             |
| surface_store_requests                | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_tex_mem_surface_op_st.sum                                                                                              |
| sysmem_read_bytes                     |                                                                                                                                               |
| sysmem_read_throughput                | lts__t_sectors_aperture_sysmem_op_read.sum.per_second                                                                                         |

| CUPTI Metric                      | Perfworks Metric or Formula                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| sysmem_read_transactions          | lts__t_sectors_aperture_sysmem_op_read.sum                                                                                     |
| sysmem_read_utilization           |                                                                                                                                |
| sysmem_utilization                |                                                                                                                                |
| sysmem_write_bytes                |                                                                                                                                |
| sysmem_write_throughput           | lts__t_sectors_aperture_sysmem_op_write.sum.per_second                                                                         |
| sysmem_write_transactions         | lts__t_sectors_aperture_sysmem_op_write.sum                                                                                    |
| sysmem_write_utilization          |                                                                                                                                |
| tensor_precision_fu_utilization   | sm__pipe_tensor_cycles_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active                                                                 |
| tex_cache_hit_rate                | l1tex__t_sector_hit_rate.pct                                                                                                   |
| tex_cache_throughput              |                                                                                                                                |
| tex_cache_transactions            | l1tex__lsu_writeback_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active +<br>l1tex__tex_writeback_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active |
| tex_fu_utilization                | smsp__inst_executed_pipe_tex.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_active                                                                  |
| tex_sm_tex_utilization            | l1tex__f_tex2sm_cycles_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed                                                                |
| tex_sm_utilization                | sm__mio2rf_writeback_active.avg.pct_of_peak_sustained_elapsed                                                                  |
| tex_utilization                   |                                                                                                                                |
| texture_load_requests             | l1tex__t_requests_pipe_tex_mem_texture.sum                                                                                     |
| warp_execution_efficiency         | smsp__thread_inst_executed_per_inst_executed.ratio                                                                             |
| warp_nonpred_execution_efficiency | smsp__thread_inst_executed_per_inst_executed.pct                                                                               |

## 1.9. Samples

The CUPTI installation includes several samples that demonstrate the use of the CUPTI APIs. The samples are:

### **activity\_trace\_async**

This sample shows how to collect a trace of CPU and GPU activity using the new asynchronous activity buffer APIs.

### **callback\_event**

This sample shows how to use both the callback and event APIs to record the events that occur during the execution of a simple kernel. The sample shows the required ordering for synchronization, and for event group enabling, disabling, and reading.

### **callback\_metric**

This sample shows how to use both the callback and metric APIs to record the metric's events during the execution of a simple kernel, and then use those events to calculate the metric value.

### **callback\_timestamp**

This sample shows how to use the callback API to record a trace of API start and stop times.

**cupti\_query**

This sample shows how to query CUDA-enabled devices for their event domains, events, and metrics.

**event\_sampling**

This sample shows how to use the event APIs to sample events using a separate host thread.

**event\_multi\_gpu**

This sample shows how to use the CUPTI event and CUDA APIs to sample events on a setup with multiple GPUs. The sample shows the required ordering for synchronization, and for event group enabling, disabling, and reading.

**sass\_source\_map**

This sample shows how to generate CUpti\_ActivityInstructionExecution records and how to map SASS assembly instructions to CUDA C source.

**unified\_memory**

This sample shows how to collect information about page transfers for unified memory.

**pc\_sampling**

This sample shows how to collect PC Sampling profiling information for a kernel.

**nvlink\_bandwidth**

This sample shows how to collect NVLink topology and NVLink throughput metrics in continuous mode.

**openacc\_trace**

This sample shows how to use CUPTI APIs for OpenACC data collection.

**extensions**

This includes utilities used in some of the samples.

**autorange\_profiling**

This sample shows how to use new CUPTI profiling APIs to collect metrics in autorange mode.

**userrange\_profiling**

This sample shows how to use new CUPTI profiling APIs to collect metrics in user specified range mode.

## Chapter 2.

# LIMITATIONS

The following are known issues with the current release.

- ▶ On Windows, CUPTI samples and other applications using the CUPTI APIs will result in the error "cupti.dll was not found". This is due to a mismatch in the CUPTI dynamic library name referenced in the import library "cupti.lib". To workaround this issue rename the CUPTI dynamic library under the CUDA Toolkit directory (default location is: "C:\Program Files\NVIDIA GPU Computing Toolkit\CUDA\v10.1\extras\CUPTI\lib64") from "cupti64\_101.dll" to "cupti.dll".
- ▶ Profiling is not supported for devices with compute capability 7.5 and higher on IBM POWER, Mac and Tegra platforms. This includes events and metrics APIs from headers `cupti_events.h` and `cupti_metrics.h` respectively, PC sampling, SASS source level analysis and NVLink throughput metrics.
- ▶ Profiling results might be inconsistent when auto boost is enabled. Profiler tries to disable auto boost by default. But it might fail to do so in some conditions and profiling will continue and results will be inconsistent. API `cuptiGetAutoBoostState()` can be used to query the auto boost state of the device. This API returns error `CUPTI_ERROR_NOT_SUPPORTED` on devices that don't support auto boost. Note that auto boost is supported only on certain Tesla devices with compute capability 3.0 and higher.
- ▶ CUPTI doesn't populate the activity structures which are deprecated, instead the newer version of the activity structure is filled with the information.
- ▶ While collecting events in continuous mode, event reporting may be delayed i.e. event values may be returned by a later call to `readEvent(s)` API and the event values for the last `readEvent(s)` API may get lost.
- ▶ When profiling events, it is possible that the domain instance that gets profiled gives event value 0 due to absence of workload on the domain instance since CUPTI profiles one instance of the domain by default. To profile all instances of the domain, user can set event group attribute `CUPTI_EVENT_GROUP_ATTR_PROFILE_ALL_DOMAIN_INSTANCES` through API `cuptiEventGroupSetAttribute()`.

- ▶ Starting CUDA Toolkit 9.0, CUPTI doesn't support CUDA Dynamic Parallelism (CDP) kernel launch tracing and source level metrics for devices with compute capability 7.0 and later.
- ▶ CUPTI doesn't support tracing and profiling on virtualized GPUs.
- ▶ Profiling results might be incorrect for CUDA applications compiled with nvcc version older than 9.0 for devices with compute capability 6.0 and 6.1. Profiling session will continue and CUPTI will notify it using error code `CUPTI_ERROR_CUDA_COMPILER_NOT_COMPATIBLE`. It is advised to recompile the application code with nvcc version 9.0 or later. Ignore this warning if code is already compiled with the recommended nvcc version
- ▶ Because of the low resolution of the timer on Windows, the start and end timestamps can be same for activities having short execution duration on Windows.
- ▶ Profiling (event and metric collection) is not supported for multidevice cooperative kernels, that is, kernels launched by using the API functions `cudaLaunchCooperativeKernelMultiDevice` or `cuLaunchCooperativeKernelMultiDevice`.
- ▶ The application which calls CUPTI APIs cannot be used with Nvidia tools like `nvprof`, Nvidia Visual Profiler, Nsight Compute, Nsight Systems, Nvidia Nsight Visual Studio Edition, `cuda-gdb` and `cuda-memcheck`.
- ▶ Profiling is not supported for CUDA kernel nodes launched by a CUDA Graph.
- ▶ CUDA runtime and driver API callbacks for kernel launch are not issued when the stream is in the capture mode.
- ▶ Tracing of a CUDA Graph may change its performance characteristics.

# Chapter 3.

## CHANGELOG

### CUPTI changes in CUDA 10.1

CUPTI contains below changes as part of the CUDA Toolkit 10.1 release.

- ▶ This release is focused on bug fixes and performance improvements.
- ▶ Event collection mode `CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_CONTINUOUS` is now supported on all device classes including Geforce and Quadro.
- ▶ Support for NVTX string registration API `nvtxDomainRegisterStringA()`.
- ▶ Added enum `CUpti_PcieGen` to list PCIE generations.

### CUPTI changes in CUDA 10.0

CUPTI contains below changes as part of the CUDA Toolkit 10.0 release.

- ▶ Added tracing support for devices with compute capability 7.5.
- ▶ A new set of metric APIs are added for devices with compute capability 7.0 and higher. These provide low and deterministic profiling overhead on the target system. These APIs are currently supported only on Linux x86 64-bit and Windows 64-bit platforms. Refer to the [CUPTI web page](#) for documentation and details to download the package with support for these new APIs. Note that both the old and new metric APIs are supported for compute capability 7.0. This is to enable transition of code to the new metric APIs. But one cannot mix the usage of the old and new metric APIs.
- ▶ CUPTI supports profiling of OpenMP applications. OpenMP profiling information is provided in the form of new activity records `CUpti_ActivityOpenMp`. New API `cuptiOpenMpInitialize` is used to initialize profiling for supported OpenMP runtimes.
- ▶ Activity record for kernel `CUpti_ActivityKernel4` provides shared memory size set by the CUDA driver.
- ▶ Tracing support for CUDA kernels, memcpy and memset nodes launched by a CUDA Graph.

- ▶ Added support for resource callbacks for resources associated with the CUDA Graph. Refer enum `CUpti_CallbackIdResource` for new callback IDs.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 9.2

CUPTI contains below changes as part of the CUDA Toolkit 9.2 release.

- ▶ Added support to query PCI devices information which can be used to construct the PCIe topology. See activity kind `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_PCIE` and related activity record `CUpti_ActivityPcie`.
- ▶ To view and analyze bandwidth of memory transfers over PCIe topologies, new set of metrics to collect total data bytes transmitted and recieved through PCIe are added. Those give accumulated count for all devices in the system. These metrics are collected at the device level for the entire application. And those are made available for devices with compute capability 5.2 and higher.
- ▶ CUPTI added support for new metrics:
  - ▶ Instruction executed for different types of load and store
  - ▶ Total number of cached global/local load requests from SM to texture cache
  - ▶ Global atomic/non-atomic/reduction bytes written to L2 cache from texture cache
  - ▶ Surface atomic/non-atomic/reduction bytes written to L2 cache from texture cache
  - ▶ Hit rate at L2 cache for all requests from texture cache
  - ▶ Device memory (DRAM) read and write bytes
  - ▶ The utilization level of the multiprocessor function units that execute tensor core instructions for devices with compute capability 7.0
- ▶ A new attribute `CUPTI_EVENT_ATTR_PROFILING_SCOPE` is added under enum `CUpti_EventAttribute` to query the profiling scope of a event. Profiling scope indicates if the event can be collected at the context level or device level or both. See Enum `CUpti_EventProfilingScope` for avaiable profiling scopes.
- ▶ A new error code `CUPTI_ERROR_VIRTUALIZED_DEVICE_NOT_SUPPORTED` is added to indicate that tracing and profiling on virtualized GPU is not supported.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 9.1

List of changes done as part of the CUDA Toolkit 9.1 release.

- ▶ Added a field for correlation ID in the activity record `CUpti_ActivityStream`.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 9.0

List of changes done as part of the CUDA Toolkit 9.0 release.

- ▶ CUPTI extends tracing and profiling support for devices with compute capability 7.0.

- ▶ Usage of compute device memory can be tracked through CUPTI. A new activity record `CUpti_ActivityMemory` and activity kind `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_MEMORY` are added to track the allocation and freeing of memory. This activity record includes fields like virtual base address, size, PC (program counter), timestamps for memory allocation and free calls.
- ▶ Unified memory profiling adds new events for thrashing, throttling, remote map and device-to-device migration on 64 bit Linux platforms. New events are added under enum `CUpti_ActivityUnifiedMemoryCounterKind`. Enum `CUpti_ActivityUnifiedMemoryRemoteMapCause` lists possible causes for remote map events.
- ▶ PC sampling supports wide range of sampling periods ranging from  $2^5$  cycles to  $2^{31}$  cycles per sample. This can be controlled through new field `samplingPeriod2` in the PC sampling configuration struct `CUpti_ActivityPCSamplingConfig`.
- ▶ Added API `cuptiDeviceSupported()` to check support for a compute device.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityKernel3` for kernel execution has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityKernel4`. New record gives information about queued and submit timestamps which can help to determine software and hardware latencies associated with the kernel launch. These timestamps are not collected by default. Use API `cuptiActivityEnableLatencyTimestamps()` to enable collection. New field `launchType` of type `CUpti_ActivityLaunchType` can be used to determine if it is a cooperative CUDA kernel launch.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityPCSampling2` for PC sampling has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityPCSampling3`. New record accommodates 64-bit PC Offset supported on devices of compute capability 7.0 and higher.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityNvLink` for NVLink attributes has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityNvLink2`. New record accommodates increased port numbers between two compute devices.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityGlobalAccess2` for source level global accesses has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityGlobalAccess3`. New record accommodates 64-bit PC Offset supported on devices of compute capability 7.0 and higher.
- ▶ New attributes `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_ATTR_PROFILING_SEMAPHORE_POOL_SIZE` and `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_ATTR_PROFILING_SEMAPHORE_POOL_LIMIT` are added in the activity attribute enum `CUpti_ActivityAttribute` to set and get the profiling semaphore pool size and the pool limit.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 8.0

List of changes done as part of the CUDA Toolkit 8.0 release.

- ▶ Sampling of the program counter (PC) is enhanced to point out the true latency issues, it indicates if the stall reasons for warps are actually causing stalls in the issue pipeline. Field `latencySamples` of new activity record `CUpti_ActivityPCSampling2` provides true latency samples. This field is valid for devices with compute capability 6.0 and higher. See section [PC Sampling](#) for more details.
- ▶ Support for NVLink topology information such as the pair of devices connected via NVLink, peak bandwidth, memory access permissions etc is provided through new activity record `CUpti_ActivityNvLink`. NVLink performance metrics for data transmitted/received, transmit/receive throughput and respective header overhead for each physical link. See section [NVLink](#) for more details.
- ▶ CUPTI supports profiling of OpenACC applications. OpenACC profiling information is provided in the form of new activity records `CUpti_ActivityOpenAccData`, `CUpti_ActivityOpenAccLaunch` and `CUpti_ActivityOpenAccOther`. This aids in correlating OpenACC constructs on the CPU with the corresponding activity taking place on the GPU, and mapping it back to the source code. New API `cuptiOpenACCInitialize` is used to initialize profiling for supported OpenACC runtimes. See section [OpenACC](#) for more details.
- ▶ Unified memory profiling provides GPU page fault events on devices with compute capability 6.0 and 64 bit Linux platforms. Enum `CUpti_ActivityUnifiedMemoryAccessType` lists memory access types for GPU page fault events and enum `CUpti_ActivityUnifiedMemoryMigrationCause` lists migration causes for data transfer events.
- ▶ Unified Memory profiling support is extended to Mac platform.
- ▶ Support for 16-bit floating point (FP16) data format profiling. New metrics `inst_fp_16`, `flop_count_hp_add`, `flop_count_hp_mul`, `flop_count_hp_fma`, `flop_count_hp`, `flop_hp_efficiency`, `half_precision_fu_utilization` are supported. Peak FP16 flops per cycle for device can be queried using the enum `CUPTI_DEVICE_ATTR_FLOP_HP_PER_CYCLE` added to `CUpti_DeviceAttribute`.
- ▶ Added new activity kinds `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_SYNCHRONIZATION`, `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_STREAM` and `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_CUDA_EVENT`, to support the tracing of CUDA synchronization constructs such as context, stream and CUDA event synchronization. Synchronization details are provided in the form of new activity record `CUpti_ActivitySynchronization`. Enum `CUpti_ActivitySynchronizationType` lists different types of CUDA synchronization constructs.
- ▶ APIs `cuptiSetThreadIdType()`/`cuptiGetThreadIdType()` to set/get the mechanism used to fetch the thread-id used in CUPTI records. Enum `CUpti_ActivityThreadIdType` lists all supported mechanisms.
- ▶ Added API `cuptiComputeCapabilitySupported()` to check the support for a specific compute capability by the CUPTI.

- ▶ Added support to establish correlation between an external API (such as OpenACC, OpenMP) and CUPTI API activity records. APIs `cuptiActivityPushExternalCorrelationId()` and `cuptiActivityPopExternalCorrelationId()` should be used to push and pop external correlation ids for the calling thread. Generated records of type `CUpti_ActivityExternalCorrelation` contain both external and CUPTI assigned correlation ids.
- ▶ Added containers to store the information of events and metrics in the form of activity records `CUpti_ActivityInstantaneousEvent`, `CUpti_ActivityInstantaneousEventInstance`, `CUpti_ActivityInstantaneousMetric` and `CUpti_ActivityInstantaneousMetricInstance`. These activity records are not produced by the CUPTI, these are included for completeness and ease-of-use. Profilers built on top of CUPTI that sample events may choose to use these records to store the collected event data.
- ▶ Support for domains and annotation of synchronization objects added in NVTX v2. New activity record `CUpti_ActivityMarker2` and enums to indicate various stages of synchronization object i.e. `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_FLAG_MARKER_SYNC_ACQUIRE`, `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_FLAG_MARKER_SYNC_ACQUIRE_SUCCESS`, `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_FLAG_MARKER_SYNC_ACQUIRE_FAILED` and `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_FLAG_MARKER_SYNC_RELEASE` are added.
- ▶ Unused field `runtimeCorrelationId` of the activity record `CUpti_ActivityMemset` is broken into two fields `flags` and `memoryKind` to indicate the asynchronous behaviour and the kind of the memory used for the memset operation. It is supported by the new flag `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_FLAG_MEMSET_ASYNC` added in the enum `CUpti_ActivityFlag`.
- ▶ Added flag `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_MEMORY_KIND_MANAGED` in the enum `CUpti_ActivityMemoryKind` to indicate managed memory.
- ▶ API `cuptiGetStreamId` has been deprecated. A new API `cuptiGetStreamIdEx` is introduced to provide the stream id based on the legacy or per-thread default stream flag.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 7.5

List of changes done as part of the CUDA Toolkit 7.5 release.

- ▶ Device-wide sampling of the program counter (PC) is enabled by default. This was a preview feature in the CUDA Toolkit 7.0 release and it was not enabled by default.
- ▶ Ability to collect all events and metrics accurately in presence of multiple contexts on the GPU is extended for devices with compute capability 5.x.
- ▶ API `cuptiGetLastError` is introduced to return the last error that has been produced by any of the CUPTI API calls or the callbacks in the same host thread.

- ▶ Unified memory profiling is supported with MPS (Multi-Process Service)
- ▶ Callback is provided to collect replay information after every kernel run during kernel replay. See API `cuptiKernelReplaySubscribeUpdate` and callback type `CUpti_KernelReplayUpdateFunc`.
- ▶ Added new attributes in enum `CUpti_DeviceAttribute` to query maximum shared memory size for different cache preferences for a device function.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 7.0

List of changes done as part of the CUDA Toolkit 7.0 release.

- ▶ CUPTI supports device-wide sampling of the program counter (PC). Program counters along with the stall reasons from all active warps are sampled at a fixed frequency in the round robin order. Activity record `CUpti_ActivityPCSampling` enabled using activity kind `CUPTI_ACTIVITY_KIND_PC_SAMPLING` outputs stall reason along with PC and other related information. Enum `CUpti_ActivityPCSamplingStallReason` lists all the stall reasons. Sampling period is configurable and can be tuned using API `cuptiActivityConfigurePCSampling`. This feature is available on devices with compute capability 5.2.
- ▶ Added new activity record `CUpti_ActivityInstructionCorrelation` which can be used to dump source locator records for all the PCs of the function.
- ▶ All events and metrics for devices with compute capability 3.x and 5.0 can be collected accurately in presence of multiple contexts on the GPU. In previous releases only some events and metrics could be collected accurately when multiple contexts were executing on the GPU.
- ▶ Unified memory profiling is enhanced by providing fine grain data transfers to and from the GPU, coupled with more accurate timestamps with each transfer. This information is provided through new activity record `CUpti_ActivityUnifiedMemoryCounter2`, deprecating old record `CUpti_ActivityUnifiedMemoryCounter`.
- ▶ MPS tracing and profiling support is extended on multi-gpu setups.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityDevice` for device information has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityDevice2`. New record adds device UUID which can be used to uniquely identify the device across profiler runs.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityKernel2` for kernel execution has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityKernel3`. New record gives information about Global Partitioned Cache Configuration requested and executed. Partitioned global caching has an impact on occupancy calculation. If it is ON, then a CTA can only use a half SM, and thus a half of the registers available per SM. The new fields apply for devices with compute capability 5.2 and higher. Note that this change was done in CUDA 6.5 release with support for compute capability 5.2.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 6.5

List of changes done as part of the CUDA Toolkit 6.5 release.

- ▶ Instruction classification is done for source-correlated Instruction Execution activity `CUpti_ActivityInstructionExecution`. See `CUpti_ActivityInstructionClass` for instruction classes.
- ▶ Two new device attributes are added to the activity `CUpti_DeviceAttribute`:
  - ▶ `CUPTI_DEVICE_ATTR_FLOP_SP_PER_CYCLE` gives peak single precision flop per cycle for the GPU.
  - ▶ `CUPTI_DEVICE_ATTR_FLOP_DP_PER_CYCLE` gives peak double precision flop per cycle for the GPU.
- ▶ Two new metric properties are added:
  - ▶ `CUPTI_METRIC_PROPERTY_FLOP_SP_PER_CYCLE` gives peak single precision flop per cycle for the GPU.
  - ▶ `CUPTI_METRIC_PROPERTY_FLOP_DP_PER_CYCLE` gives peak double precision flop per cycle for the GPU.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityGlobalAccess` for source level global access information has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityGlobalAccess2`. New record additionally gives information needed to map SASS assembly instructions to CUDA C source code. And it also provides ideal L2 transactions count based on the access pattern.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityBranch` for source level branch information has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityBranch2`. New record additionally gives information needed to map SASS assembly instructions to CUDA C source code.
- ▶ Sample `sass_source_map` is added to demonstrate the mapping of SASS assembly instructions to CUDA C source code.
- ▶ Default event collection mode is changed to Kernel (`CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_KERNEL`) from Continuous (`CUPTI_EVENT_COLLECTION_MODE_CONTINUOUS`). Also Continuous mode is supported only on Tesla devices.
- ▶ Profiling results might be inconsistent when auto boost is enabled. Profiler tries to disable auto boost by default, it might fail to do so in some conditions, but profiling will continue. A new API `cuptiGetAutoBoostState` is added to query the auto boost state of the device. This API returns error `CUPTI_ERROR_NOT_SUPPORTED` on devices that don't support auto boost. Note that auto boost is supported only on certain Tesla devices from the Kepler+ family.
- ▶ Activity record `CUpti_ActivityKernel2` for kernel execution has been deprecated and replaced by new activity record `CUpti_ActivityKernel3`. New record additionally gives information about Global Partitioned Cache Configuration requested and executed. The new fields apply for devices with 5.2 Compute Capability.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 6.0

List of changes done as part of the CUDA Toolkit 6.0 release.

- ▶ Two new CUPTI activity kinds have been introduced to enable two new types of source-correlated data collection. The `Instruction Execution` kind collects SASS-level instruction execution counts, divergence data, and predication data. The `Shared Access` kind collects source correlated data indication inefficient shared memory accesses.
- ▶ CUPTI provides support for CUDA applications using Unified Memory. A new activity record reports Unified Memory activity such as transfers to and from a GPU and the number of Unified Memory related page faults.
- ▶ CUPTI recognized and reports the special MPS context that is used by CUDA applications running on a system with MPS enabled.
- ▶ The `CUpti_ActivityContext` activity record `CUpti_ActivityContext` has been updated to introduce a new field into the structure in a backwards compatible manner. The 32-bit `computeApiKind` field was replaced with two 16 bit fields, `computeApiKind` and `defaultStreamId`. Because all valid `computeApiKind` values fit within 16 bits, and because all supported CUDA platforms are little-endian, persisted context record data read with the new structure will have the correct value for `computeApiKind` and have a value of zero for `defaultStreamId`. The CUPTI client is responsible for versioning the persisted context data to recognize when the `defaultStreamId` field is valid.
- ▶ To ensure that metric values are calculated as accurately as possible, a new metric API is introduced. Function `cuptiMetricGetRequiredEventGroupSets` can be used to get the groups of events that should be collected at the same time.
- ▶ Execution overheads introduced by CUPTI have been dramatically decreased.
- ▶ The new activity buffer API introduced in CUDA Toolkit 5.5 is required. The legacy `cuptiActivityEnqueueBuffer` and `cuptiActivityDequeueBuffer` functions have been removed.

## CUPTI changes in CUDA 5.5

List of changes done as part of CUDA Toolkit 5.5 release.

- ▶ Applications that use CUDA Dynamic Parallelism can be profiled using CUPTI. Device-side kernel launches are reported using a new activity kind.
- ▶ Device attributes such as power usage, clocks, thermals, etc. are reported via a new activity kind.
- ▶ A new activity buffer API uses callbacks to request and return buffers of activity records. The existing `cuptiActivityEnqueueBuffer` and `cuptiActivityDequeueBuffer` functions are still supported but are deprecated and will be removed in a future release.
- ▶ The Event API supports kernel replay so that any number of events can be collected during a single run of the application.

- ▶ A new metric API `cuptiMetricGetValue2` allows metric values to be calculated for any device, even if that device is not available on the system.
- ▶ CUDA peer-to-peer memory copies are reported explicitly via the activity API. In previous releases these memory copies were only partially reported.

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