**CS 791v: Topics: Parallel Computing**

**Spring 2013**

**Programming Assignment 2**

**Mandelbrot Set**

**Assigned Date**

2/6/2013

**Due Date**

2/11/2013

**Overview**

* You will write a program to calculate and output Mandelbrot Sets.
* There is a great tutorial and intro (with most of the sequential code) at the following website: <http://warp.povusers.org/Mandelbrot/>
* To write the image you may use whatever tool you like. Some example library such as png++ would be good, or you may write out a simple ppm file. A description of the text required for a ppm file and sample ppm files can be found here: <http://netpbm.sourceforge.net/doc/ppm.html>

**Project Requirements**

* 2 versions of the code:
	+ A compiled and running sequential C program
	+ A compiled and running CUDA program
* Multiple timings of runs.
* Appropriate graphs
* Larger Images and a larger MaxIterations will make the run time increase.
	+ Use 2,000 x 2,000 pixels for your image with 1024 iterations for your graphs.

**Deliverables**

* Bring code and output to class for discussion next Monday.
* Best verifiable performance in class on Monday gets bonus points.
	+ Optimize, and find best block size, thread count, and strides…
* Have a pdf of your writeup and a zip of your source code emailed to Fred Harris and Lee Barford (DO NOT send binaries).
	+ Firstname dot Lastname at … (Fred is cse, Lee is gmail)