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  int base = threadIdx.x * workPerThread;

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    if(base + i < n)
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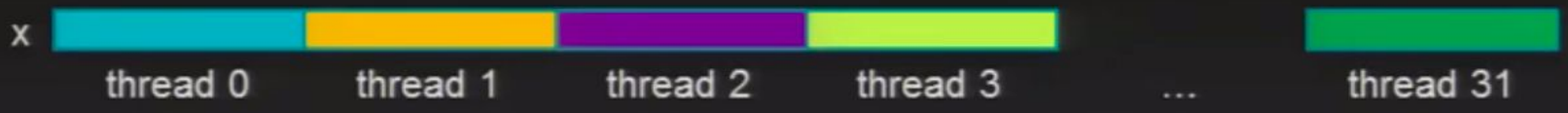

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- In SIMT, 32 threads of a warp issue the x[base+i] instruction simultaneously.
  - Each thread has different value of base
- if workPerThread > 1, this becomes a strided load

A Better Way to Parallelize SAXPY

```
__global__ void saxpy2(int n, float a, float
   * x, float * y)
{
  int id;
  int loopCount = 0;
  while(id < n)
  {
    id = loopCount*blockDim.x + threadIdx.x;
    y[id] += a * x[id];
    loopCount++;
  }
}
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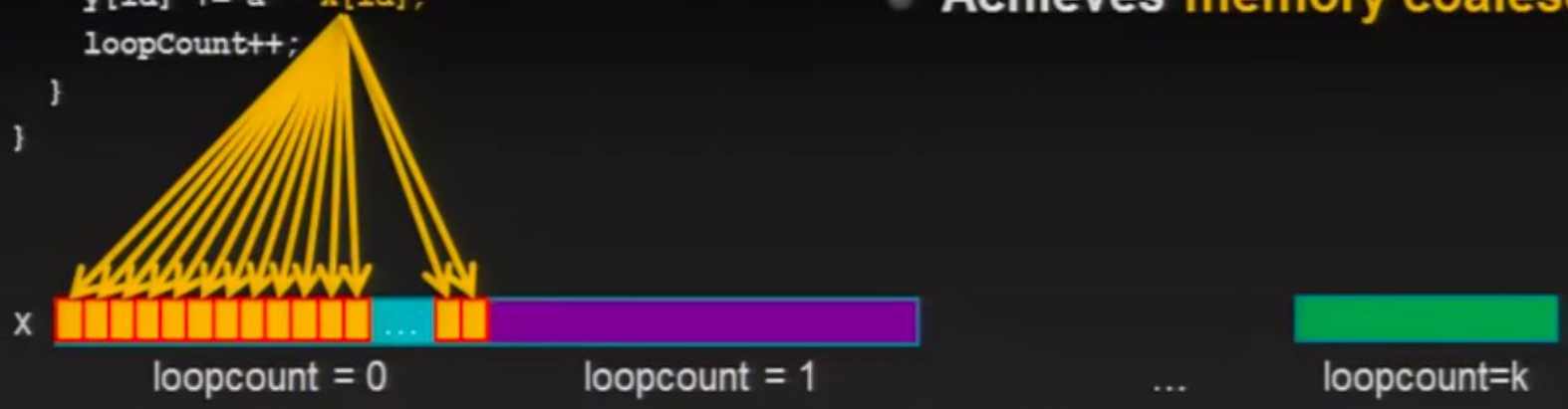

- Divide work up so that each pass through the loop, the thread block computes one ‘contiguous region’ of the array.
- Achieves memory coalescing