CSE211: Compiler Design

Nov. 19, 2021

• **Topic**: Halide continued

- Discussion questions:
 - Anyone have any extra thoughts on DSLs?

Announcements

- Homework 2 and midterm are graded
 - Let me know if there are issues or if you have questions (Office hours on Thursday)
 - Last day to raise concerns is Friday
- Homework 4 is out
 - Due on last day of class (Dec. 3)
- Guest lecture for Nov. 22
 - Aviral Goel will talk about laziness in R

Announcements

Paper assignment:

- everyone is registered, thanks!
- also due on Dec. 3

• Project:

- we have 9 signed up
- everyone wants to present on the Dec. 3
- thought: cancel class on the the 1st and have a longer class on the 3rd?

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Halide

- A discussion and overview of Halide:
 - Huge influence on modern DSL design
 - Great tooling
 - Great paper
- Originally: A DSL for image pipelining:





Brighten example

Motivation:





pretty straight forward computation for brightening

(1 pass over all pixels)

This computation is known as the "Local Laplacian Filter". Requires visiting all pixels 99 times





We want to be able to do this fast and efficiently!

Main results in from Halide show a 1.7x speedup with 1/5 the LoC over hand optimized versions at Adobe

Decoupling computation from optimization

• We love Halide not only because it can make pretty pictures very fast

 We love it because it changed the level of abstraction for thinking about computation and optimization

 (Halide has been applied in many other domains now, turns out everything is just linear algebra)

Example

• in C++

```
for (int x = 0; x < x_size; x++) {
  for (int y = 0; y < y_size; y++) {
     a[x,y] = b[x,y] + c[x,y];
  }
}</pre>
```

Which one would you write?

```
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https://stackoverflow.com/questions/15548023/clang-optimization-levels

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- What are the options?
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 - What do they actually do?
- **Answer**: they do their best for a wide range of programs. The common case is that you should not have to think too hard about them.
- *In practice*, to write high-performing code, you are juggling computation and optimization in your mind!

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```
program
add(x,y) = b(x,y) + c(x,y)
schedule
add.order(x,y)
```

Halide (high-level)

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Pros and Cons?

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Halide (high-level)

Halide optimizations

• Now all of a sudden, the programmer has to worry about how to optimize the program. Previously the compiler compiler made those decisions and we just "helped".

What can we do here?

Halide optimizations

- Auto-tuning
 - automatically select a schedule
 - compile and run/time the program.
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- Why don't all compilers do this?
- Image processing is especially well-suited for this:
 - Images in different contexts might have similar sizes (e.g. per phone, on twitter, on facebook)

Halide programs

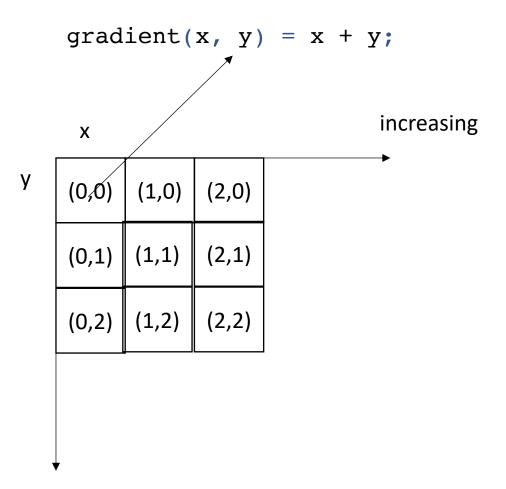
- Halide programs:
 - built into C++, contained within a header

```
#include "Halide.h"

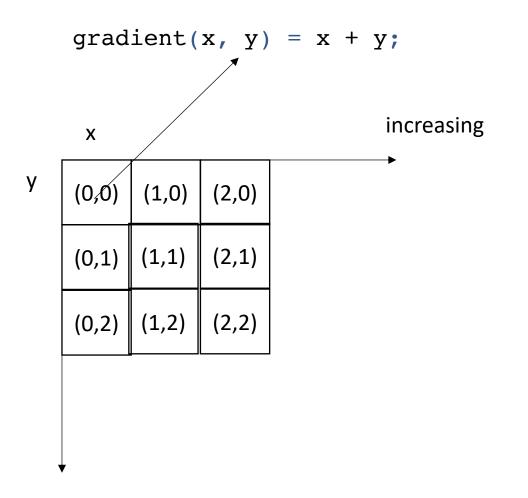
Halide::Func gradient;  // a pure function declaration

Halide::Var x, y;  // variables to use in the definition of the function (types?)

gradient(x, y) = x + y;  // the function takes two variables (coordinates in the image) and adds them
```



increasing

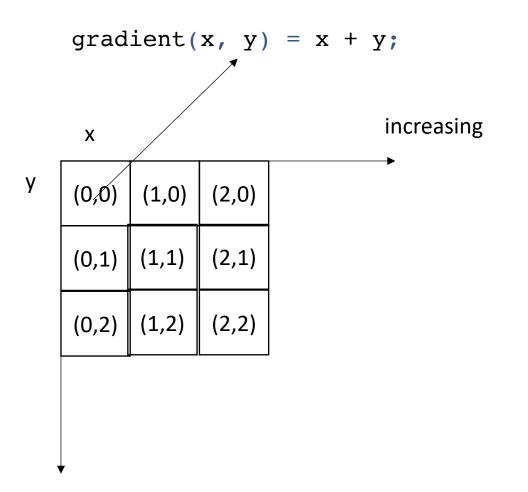


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	1	2	3	
	2	3	4	
•				

increasing

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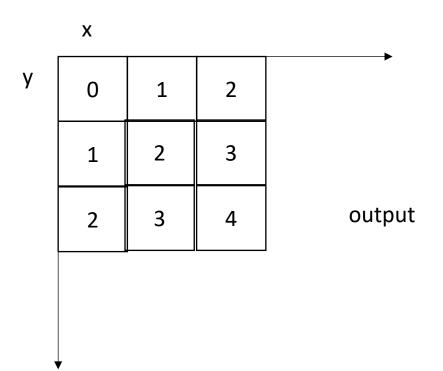
increasing

what are some properties of this computation?
Data races?
Loop indices and increments?
The order to compute each pixel?

Executing the function

```
Halide::Buffer<int32_t> output = gradient.realize({3, 3});
```

Not compiled until this point Needs values for x and y



Example: brightening



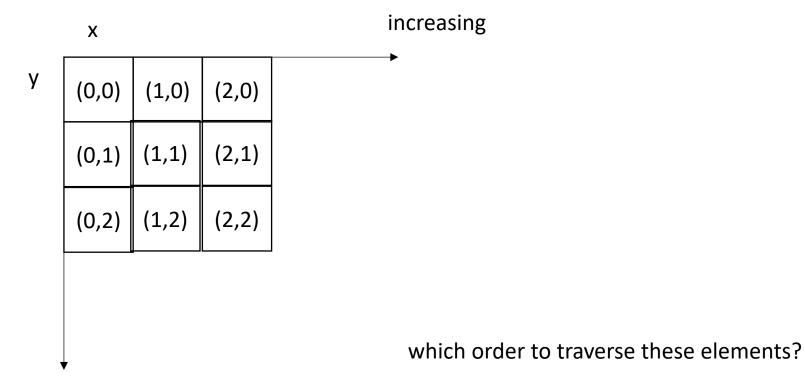


Brighten example

```
Halide::Buffer<uint8 t> input = load image("parrot.png");
Halide::Func brighter;
Halide::Expr value = input(x, y, c);
value = Halide::cast<float>(value);
value = value * 1.5f;
value = Halide::min(value, 255.0f);
value = Halide::cast<uint8 t>(value);
brighter(x, y, c) = value;
Halide::Buffer<uint8 t> output =
               brighter.realize({input.width(), input.height(), input.channels()});
```

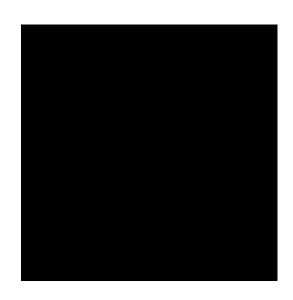
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Halide::Buffer<uint8_t> output =
               brighter.realize({input.width(), input.height(), input.channels()});
```

brighter(x, y, c) = $Halide::cast < uint8_t > (min(input(x, y, c) * 1.5f, 255));$



increasing

```
for (int y = 0; y < 4; y++) {
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        output[y,x] = x + y;
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gradient.split(x, x_outer, x_inner, 2);
```

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    for (int x_outer = 0; x_outer < 2; x_outer++) {
        for (int x_inner = 0; x_inner < 2; x_inner++) {
            x = x_inner + x_outer * 2;
            output[y,x] = x + y;
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            x = x_outer*2 + x_inner;
            output[y,x] = x + y;
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

```
Var xy;
gradient.fuse(x, y, xy);
```

```
for (int xy = 0; xy < 4*4; xy++) {
    x = xy/4;
    y = xy%4
    output[y,x] = x + y;
}</pre>
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}</pre>
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Tiling

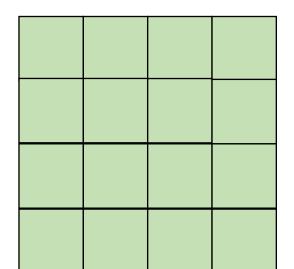
Adding loop nestings

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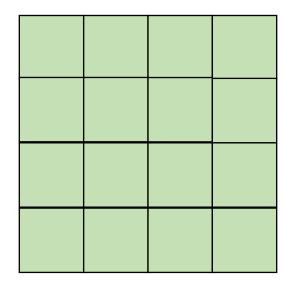
$$A = B + C^T$$

 \boldsymbol{A}

B



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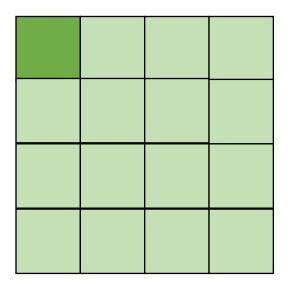


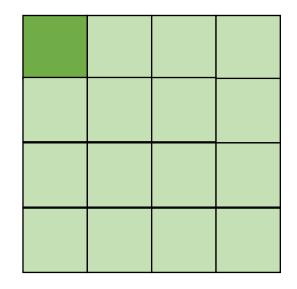
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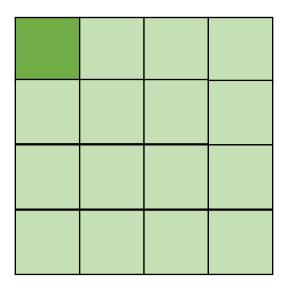
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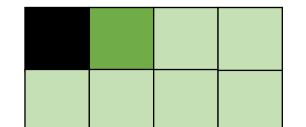
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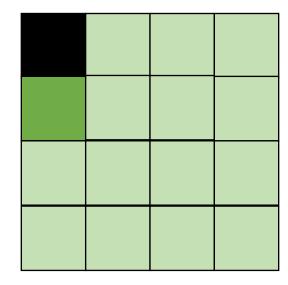
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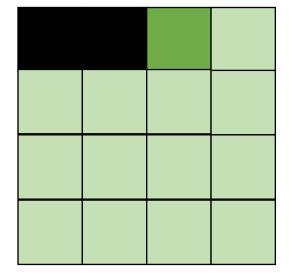


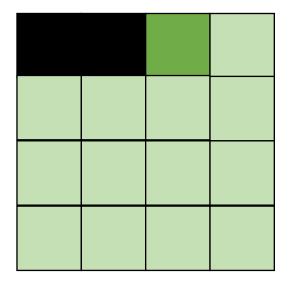
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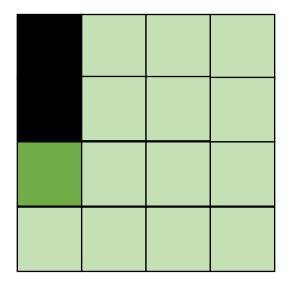
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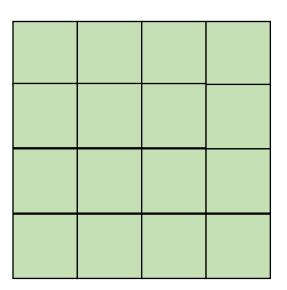


Hit on A and B. Miss on C

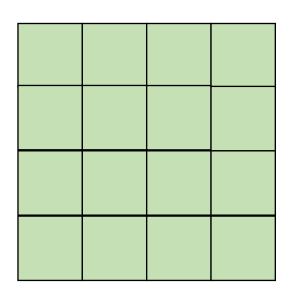
 Blocking operates on smaller chunks to exploit locality in column increment accesses. Example 2x2

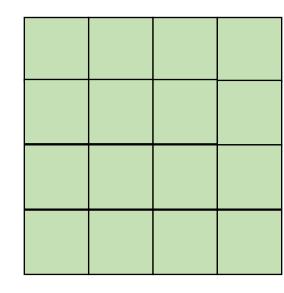
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B

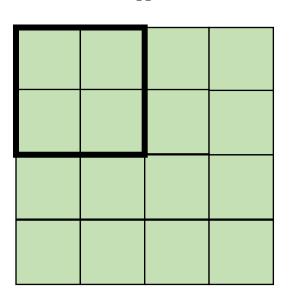




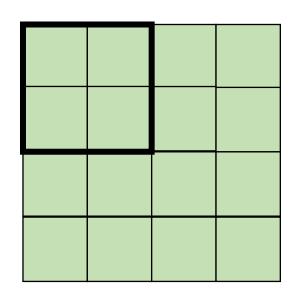
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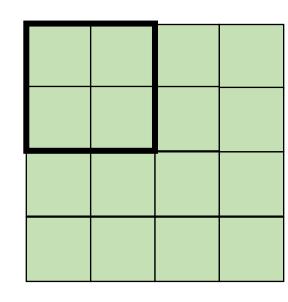
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 \mathcal{C}



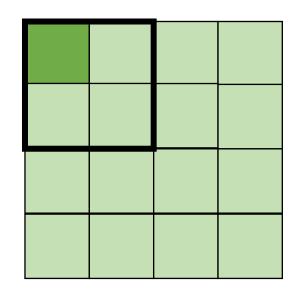
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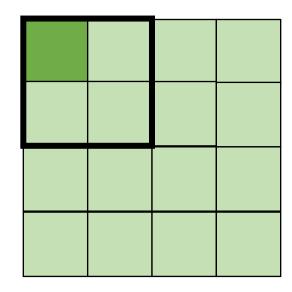
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B



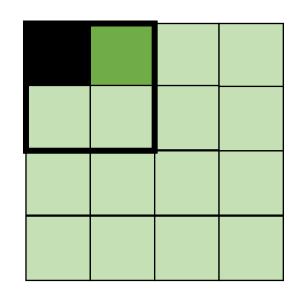


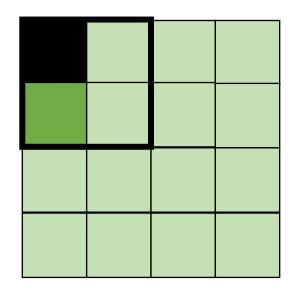
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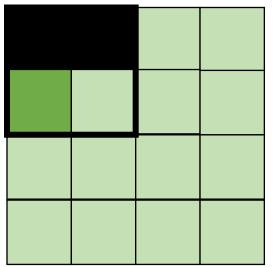
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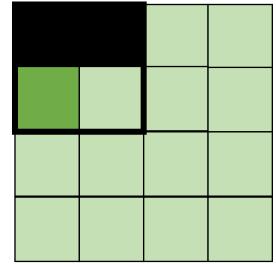
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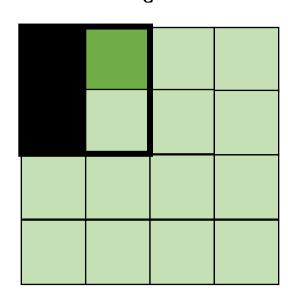
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A





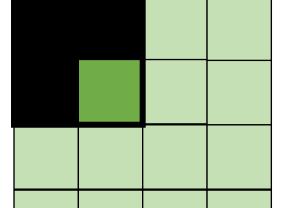


Miss on A,B, hit on C

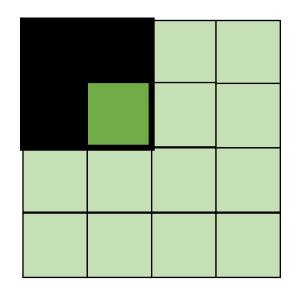
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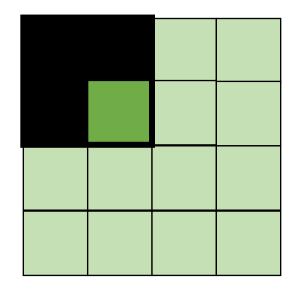
 \boldsymbol{A}



B



 \mathcal{L}



Hit on all!

```
for (int x = 0; x < SIZE; x++) {
    for (int y = 0; y < SIZE; y++) {
      a[x*SIZE + y] = b[x*SIZE + y] + c[y*SIZE + x];
transforms into:
for (int xx = 0; xx < SIZE; xx += B) {
  for (int yy = 0; yy < SIZE; yy += B) {
    for (int x = xx; x < xx+B; x++) {
      for (int y = yy; y < yy+B; y++) {
        a[x*SIZE + y] = b[x*SIZE + y] + c[y*SIZE + x];
```

```
gradient.split(x, x_inner, x_outer, 4)
gradient.split(y, y_inner, y_outer, 4)
gradient.reorder(x_outer, y_outer, x_inner,
```

```
for (int y = 0; y < 16; y++) {
    for (int x = 0; x < 16; x++) {
        output[y,x] = x + y;
    }
}</pre>
```

```
Var x_outer, x_inner, y_outer, y_inner;
gradient.split(x, x_outer, x_inner, 4);
gradient.split(y, y_outer, y_inner, 4);
gradient.reorder(x_inner, y_inner, x_outer, y_outer);
```

how would we make a program that would benefit from tiling?

```
Halide::Buffer<uint8_t> a = // big matrx
Halide::Buffer<uint8_t> b = // big matrx

Halide::Func our_function;
Halide::Var x, y;
out_function(x,y) = a(x,y) + b(y,x)
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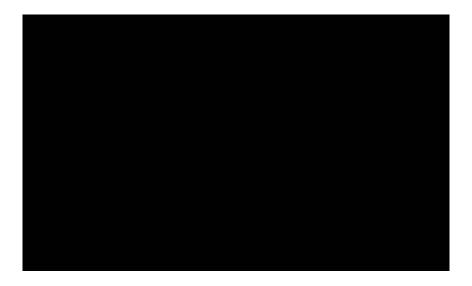
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```

```
Var x_outer, x_inner;
gradient.split(x, x_outer, x_inner, 4);
gradient.vectorize(x_inner);
```

```
Var x_outer, x_inner;
gradient.split(x, x_outer, x_inner, 4);
gradient.vectorize(x inner);
```

```
for (int y = 0; y < 4; y++) {
    for (int x outer = 0; x outer < 2; x outer++) {</pre>
         int x_vec[] = {x_outer * 4 + 0,
                          x outer * 4 + 1,
                          x_{outer} * 4 + 2,
                          x \text{ outer } * 4 + 3;
         int val[] = {x_vec[0] + y,}
                          x \text{ vec}[1] + y
                          x \text{ vec}[2] + y
                          x \text{ vec}[3] + y;
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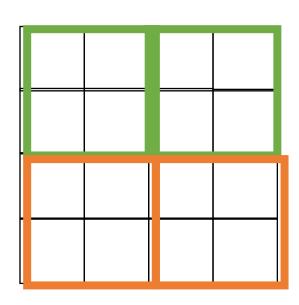
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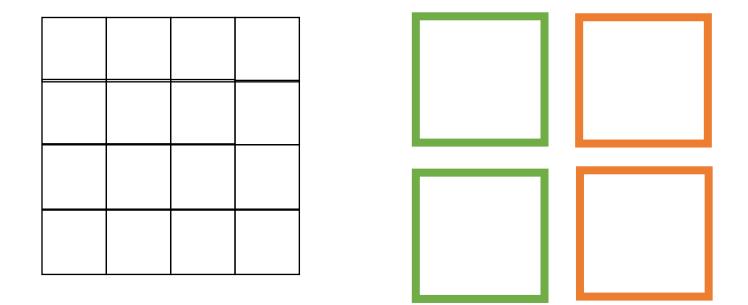
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Var x_outer, x_inner;
gradient.split(x, x_outer, x_inner, 2);
gradient.unroll(x inner);
```



```
for (int y = 0; y < 4; y++) {
    for (int x outer = 0; x outer < 2; x outer++) {</pre>
        int x inner = 0;
        int x = x outer * 2 + x inner;
        output(x,y) = x + y;
        int x inner = 1;
        int x = x outer * 2 + x inner;
        output(x,y) = x + y;
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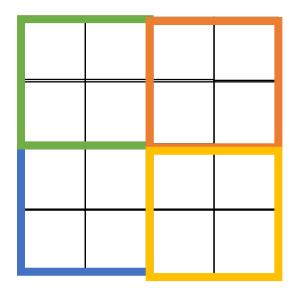
```
Var x_outer, y_outer, x_inner, y_inner, tile_index;
gradient.tile(x, y, x_outer, y_outer, x_inner, y_inner, 2, 2);
gradient.fuse(x_outer, y_outer, tile_index);
gradient.parallel(tile_index);
```





How to make 4 threads?

```
for (int fused = 0; fused < 4; fused++) {
    y_outer = fused/2;
    x_outer = fused%2;
    for (int y_innder = 0; y_inner < 2; y_inner++) {
        for (int x_inner = 0; x_inner < 2; x_inner++) {
            ...
        }
    }
}</pre>
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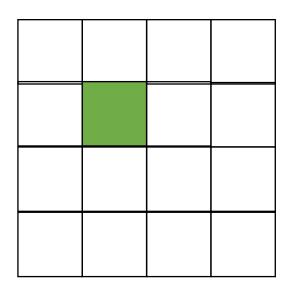
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gradient.tile(x, y, x_outer, y_outer, x_inner, y_inner, 2, 2);
gradient.fuse(x_outer, y_outer, tile_index);
gradient.parallel(tile_index);
```

```
Halide::Func gradient fast;
                                           Finally: a fast schedule that they found:
Halide::Var x, y;
gradient fast(x, y) = x + y;
Halide::Buffer<int32_t> output =
              gradient.realize({2, 2});
Var x_outer, y_outer, x_inner, y_inner, tile index; =
gradient fast
              .tile(x, y, x_outer, y_outer, x_inner, y_inner, 64, 64)
              .fuse(x outer, y outer, tile index)
              .parallel(tile index);
Var x inner outer, y inner outer, x vectors, y pairs;
gradient fast
       .tile(x_inner, y_inner, x_inner_outer, y_inner_outer, x_vectors, y_pairs, 4, 2)
       .vectorize(x vectors)
       .unroll(y pairs);
```

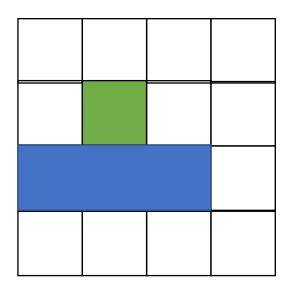
Now for function fusing...

```
Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
Halide::Func blur(x,y) = blur_x(x,y+1) + blur_x(x,y) + blur_x(x,y-1);
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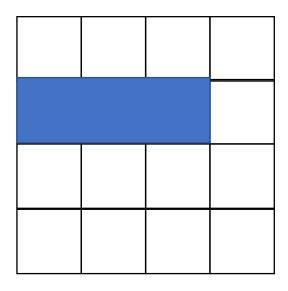
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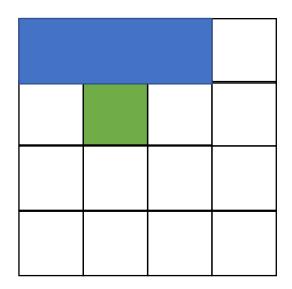
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```



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Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
Halide::Func blur(x,y) = blur_x(x,y+1) + blur_x(x,y) + blur_x(x,y-1);
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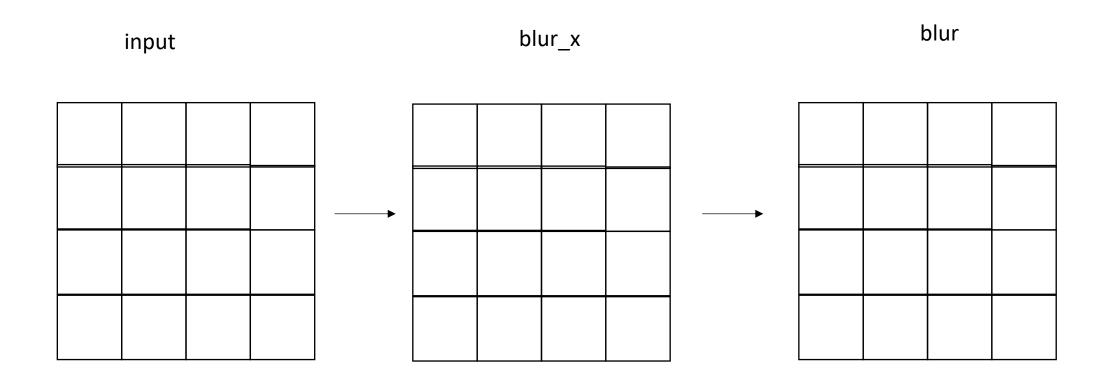
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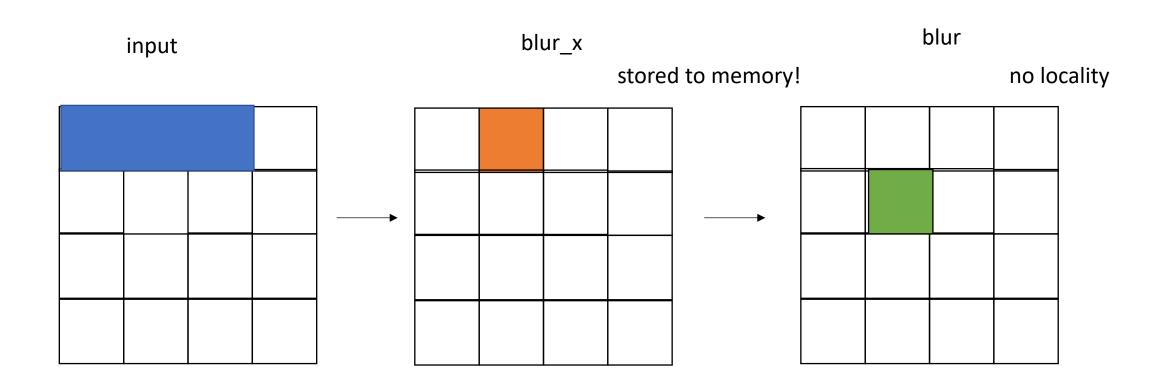
how to compute?

```
Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
Halide::Func blur(x,y) = blur_x(x,y+1) + blur_x(x,y) + blur_x(x,y-1);
```



```
Halide::Func blur x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
Halide::Func blur(x,y) = blur x(x,y+1) + blur x(x,y) + blur x(x,y-1);
alloc blurx[2048][3072]
foreach y in 0..2048:
    foreach x in 0..3072:
       blurx[y][x] = in[y][x-1] + in[y][x] + in[y][x+1]
                                                                                     pros?
                                                                                     cons?
alloc out[2046][3072]
foreach y in 1..2047:
    foreach x in 0..3072:
       \operatorname{out}[y][x] = \operatorname{blurx}[y-1][x] + \operatorname{blurx}[y][x] + \operatorname{blurx}[y+1][x]
```

```
Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
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Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
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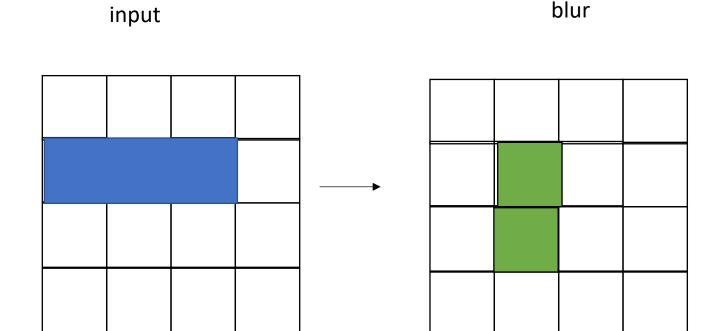
Other options?

```
Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
Halide::Func blur(x,y) = blur x(x,y+1) + blur x(x,y) + blur x(x,y-1);
            completely inline
          alloc out[2046][3072]
          foreach y in 1..2047:
              foreach x in 0..3072:
                out[y][x] = in[y-1][x] + in[y][x] + in[y+1][x] +
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in[y-1][x-1] + in[y][x-1] + in[y+1][x-1]

in[y-1][x+1] + in[y][x+1] + in[y+1][x+1]

```
Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
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These two squares will both sum up the same values in blue

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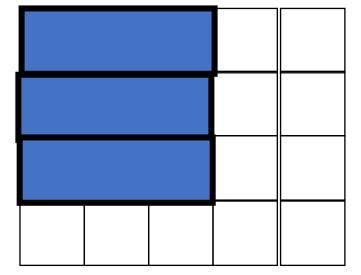
other ideas?

```
Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
Halide::Func blur(x,y) = blur_x(x,y+1) + blur_x(x,y) + blur_x(x,y-1);
```

first iteration, only compute blur x

sliding window

blur

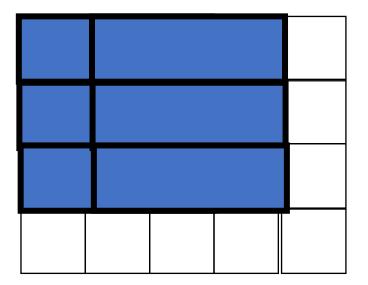


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Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
Halide::Func blur(x,y) = blur_x(x,y+1) + blur_x(x,y) + blur_x(x,y-1);
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sliding window

blur

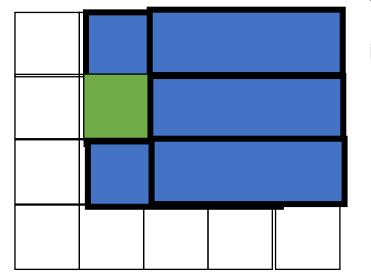
first iteration, only compute blur_x second iteration, compute blur_x again:



```
Halide::Func blur_x(x,y) = in(x-1,y) + in(x,y) + in(x+1,y);
Halide::Func blur(x,y) = blur_x(x,y+1) + blur_x(x,y) + blur_x(x,y-1);
```

sliding window

blur



first iteration, only compute blur_x second iteration, compute blur_x again: third iteration, compute_blur_x again, but also compute blur,

blur_x should be available,

pros? cons?

Pros cons of each?

- Completely different buffers?
- Completely inlined functions?
- Sliding window?

- Control through a "schedule" and search spaces.
- Fused functions can take advantage of all function schedules (e.g. tiling)

Monday

- Finish up on Halide (results)
- Move to a graph DSL