

## Assignment 2: Block Reduction

Let us consider a 1D Neighborhood Operation say **reduce()** which is a spatial transformation that takes as input a 1D array **A** of size **N** and produces a 1D output array **B** of size **M** where  $M < N$ . This is obtained by considering a 1D window **W** of size **K** and sliding it along **A** in strides of **K**. The total number of overlaps between **A** and **W** is equal to  $N/K$ . The operation in context takes the average of the elements for each such overlap and produces one element of array **B**. The total number of elements for **B** is therefore  $M = N/K$ . The reduce operation is called repeatedly until the number of elements becomes less than **K**. For example:

Consider  $A = [1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ 10\ 11\ 12\ 13\ 14\ 15\ 16]$  where  $N = 16$  and  $K = 4$ . The first output array **B** is therefore of size  $16/4 = 4$  and is  $[2.5\ 6.5\ 10.5\ 14.5]$ . The first entry of **B** is  $B[0] = \text{avg}(A[0], A[1], A[2], A[3])$ . The reduce kernel is called again on **B** to produce  $[8.5]$ . Note the output for this repeated operation can be a 1D array or a single element depending on the values of **N** and **K**.

### Input Specifications

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T

P,q

$2^p$  array elements

where T is the number of test cases,  $p = \log N$  and  $q = \log K$  ( $N$  and  $K$  are powers of 2)

### Output:

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The final reduced array

### Launch Specifications

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For each invocation of the reduce kernel, the launch parameters should be

$\langle\langle\langle\sqrt{N/K}, \sqrt{N/K}, 1\rangle, (K, 1, 1)\rangle\rangle\rangle$  i.e launch a grid of 2D Blocks where each block has **k** threads and each block of threads uses the partial reduction code