

## **Exercise 1**

Application of the Prefix, or Scan, on segments. Usage for quick sort. Read carefully PDF of Blelloch' chapter, section 1.5

Apply the proposed quick sort algorithm, without trying to implement the various scan/prefix segmented primitives, on an array of 16 entries and sort them in increasing order.

Evaluate its complexity in time: **expected** number of steps:  $O(\log n)$ ; **each step has a series of scan/prefix operations, each costs  $O(\log n)$  // time. So the total is  $O(\log^2 n)$  with a probability less than 1.**

Algo QuickSort, cf section 1.5.1, Blelloch																N°
K	[6 9 10 1 7 5 1 8 6 2 4 3 5 1 8 2]															
Pivot = K[0]	[6 9 10 1 7 5 1 8 6 2 4 3 5 1 8 2]															
SegFlag = {0}s	[1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]															
while not sorted (K)																
Pivots	[6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6]															
P	[< > > < > < < > = < < < < < > <]															
K = Split keys par segment (P)	[1 5 1 2 4 3 5 1 2 6 6 9 10 7 8 8]															
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Pivots (par segment)	[1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 6 6 9 9 9 9 9]															
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	SORTED!															
Procédure Seg-Flags (par segment), avec (H) i démarre à 0 dans segment Pour tout i en // paire if i = 0, SegFlag[i] = 0 ; return if K[i-1] ≠ K[i] et K[i] = pivot[i] SegFlag[i] = 1 if K[i] = K[i-1] SegFlag[i] = 0 if K[i] ≠ K[i-1] et K[i-1] = pivot[i-1] SegFlag[i] = 1 else SegFlag[i] = 0																

Below, you find a more appropriate procedure for determining the new seg flag array as opposed to the piece of code that is displayed in the image above. It is used after the split operation that has permuted elements of array K within each segment, and the goal of it is to indicate within each segment what are the up to 3 new segments.

This procedure that can run in parallel on the whole array K, considering each processor has access to the previous array seg\_flag (the one that was used to permute elements within each segment) and the pivot values per segment array. The goal of it is to obtain an array named new\_seg\_flag that will then be considered as seg\_flag in the next step.

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Procedure compute_new_seg_flag:

  For all i in parallel do
    if (seg_flag[i] == 1) {
      new_seg_flag[i]=1;
      // means value at K[i] is at the start of a new segment
    }
  
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        return; // implication: only processors in charge of values not at the start
of the (old) segment are continuing to run the tests, so we can test K[i-1] in the sequel, as it
belongs to our (old) segment
    }
    if (K[i]==pivots[i]){
        new_seg_flag[i]=(K[i-1]==pivots[i])?0:1; //K[i] is or not the 1st pivot
        return; // implication: only processors in charge of values that are not
equal to the pivot in their (old and new) segment are continuing to run the tests
    }
    if (seg_flag[i-1]==1) { // K[i] is not the 1st in the old (and in the new) segment
        new_seg_flag[i]=0;
        return; // it works as K[i] not a pivot, and we are sure i is such that i-1
entry exists and is part of the (old) segment
    }
    else { //last case to consider: is K[i] the start of a new seg (notice that it will
have with values > pivot)?
        new_seg_flag[i]=(K[i-1]==pivots[i])?1:0;
    }
}

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## Exercise 2

Now, try to devise how to understand scan/prefix on segments. For this, study carefully equation 1.5 of that same PDF.

The segmented scans satisfy the recurrence:

$$x_i = \begin{cases} a_0 & i = 0 \\ \begin{cases} a_i & f_i = 1 \\ (x_{i-1} \oplus a_i) & f_i = 0 \end{cases} & 0 < i < n \end{cases} \quad (1.15)$$

So, it is easy to understand that depending on the value stored in seg flag (corresponds to f in 1.15 above), the scan/prefix operation will start again with  $x_i = a_i$  when a new segment is encountered. Otherwise, the current accumulated value in  $x_{i-1}$  will be combined with the binary operator to the current  $a_i$  value.

We can for instance apply segmented scan with the  $\text{copy}(a,b)=a$  operator. It is used in the step 2 of quicksort; in each segment, the value  $x_i = b$ ,  $a$  = first element of the current segment as pivot, and the goal is to propagate the pivot to the end of the segment.

The segmented scan will also be very useful for the split operation see below Exercice3.

## Exercise 3

Propose an implementation for the SPLIT on segments, that for each segment split in three sub parts, on the left hand side, elements whose value is less than the pivot of that segment, in the middle, elements that are equal to the pivots, then, on the right, elements that are greater than the pivot

The operator will apply on data in the form of a vector of 3 integers associated to each array element. In each vector, it corresponds to the number of elements including the current one, that are < than the pivot, that are == to the pivot, and that are > to the pivot.

Eg, on such a segment, indexes start at 1 (small exercise is to adapt the given rules below to the case where indexes of segment start at 0)

Position

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Keys : 4 2 5 4 1 3 7 2

Pivots: 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

F := < > = < > <

Vect  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

What is missing is the number of elements in total that are < to the pivot, = to the pivot, > than the pivot, so to know in advance the size of each sub segment (each new segment).

We can copy the vector of the last element (4,2,2), name it OFFSET from right to the left.

Knowing this, for instance, the first element Keys[0] (that is value 4) is to be moved as first element in the subsegment containing values equal to the pivot, so at position 4 in the current segment.

We can use the indexes to move elements to the right place according to each Vect stored in position i, like this:

If F[i] = "<", then use Vect[0] as index in segment for K[i]

If F[i] = "=", then use Vect[1] as index + offset of elements < to the pivot (OFFSET[0]) in segment for K[i]

If F[i] = ">", then use Vect[2] as index + offset of elements < to the pivot (OFFSET[0]) + offset of elements = to the pivot (OFFSET[1]) in segment for K[i]

From Keys: 4 2 5 4 1 3 7 2

Keys : 4 moves to position in current segment: Offset[0]=4+1 = 5

2 moves to position in current segment: 1

5 moves to position in current segment Offset[0]+Offset[1]+1 = 4+2+1=7

4 moves to position in current segment: Offset[0]=4+2=6

1 moves to position in current segment: 2

3 moves to position in current segment: 3

7 moves to position in current segment: Offset[0]+Offset[1]+2 = 4+2+2=8

2 moves to position in current segment: 4

At the end, we indeed get

New Keys array: 2 1 3 2 4 4 5 7