

Memory Mapping of Array

Question: Given a 2D array $A[10][20]$, find the memory location of $A[6][15]$ if $\text{loc}(A[0][0])=100$. Assume column-wise memory is allocated in the double type.

Solution:

Here,

$$l_1 = 0, u_1 = 9, l_2 = 0, u_2 = 19$$

$$b = 100, i = 6, j = 15, L = 8$$

$$M = 10, N = 20$$

For column major:

$$\text{addr}(a[i, j]) = b + (j - l_2) * M * L + (i - l_1) * L$$

Hence,

$$\text{addr}(A[6][15]) = 100 + (15 - 0) * 10 * 8 + (6 - 0) * 8$$

$$= 1348 \text{ (Ans)}$$

Question: Find the memory location of $A[70][60]$ if $\text{loc}(A[20][15])=10000$. Assume row-wise memory is allocated in the floating point type array $A[80][100]$, where each float data is 4 bytes.

Solution:

For row major:

$$\text{addr}(a[i, j]) = b + (i - l_1) * N * L + (j - l_2) * L$$

At first, we need to calculate the base for A[20][15]:

$$l_1 = 0, u_1 = 79, l_2 = 0, u_2 = 99$$

$$b = ??, i = 20, j = 15, L = 4$$

$$M = 80, N = 100$$

Hence,

$$10000 = b + (20 - 0) * 100 * 4 + (15 - 0) * 4$$

$$b = 10000 - 8060$$

$$b = 1940$$

For A[70][60]:

$$l_1 = 0, u_1 = 79, l_2 = 0, u_2 = 99$$

$$b = 1940, i = 70, j = 60, L = 4$$

$$M = 80, N = 100$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{addr}(A[70][60]) &= 1940 + (70 - 0) * 100 * 4 + (60 - 0) * 4 \\ &= 30180 \text{ (Ans)} \end{aligned}$$