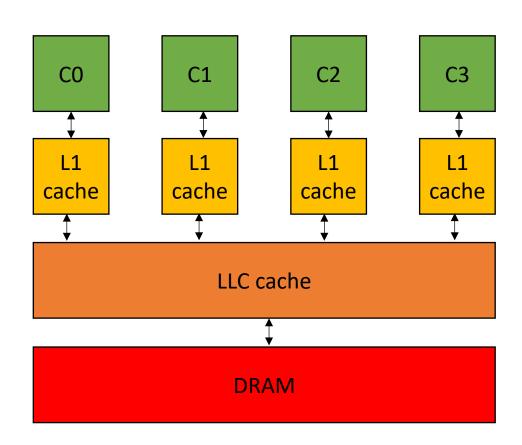
CSE113: Parallel Programming

Jan. 22, 2024

- **Topic**: Memory Hierarchy and C++ threads
 - Caches
 - Cache lines
 - Coherence
 - False Sharing
 - C++ threads



Announcements

- Homework due on Jan. 27
 - Three free late days
 - Plenty of office hours remaining to get help
 - Work on your design doc before asking for help
- Last recording
 - Likely will not get uploaded.
 - They are uploaded on a best effort basis.
 - When there are technical issues, I cannot make them up
 - I've submitted 3 tickets, no response yet

Announcements

 Reminder on quiz and design doc: Not heavily graded, but low effort responses are liable to lose points

- (Hopefully) Last lecture of Module 1
 - Moving into Module 2: mutual exclusion next time!
- Should be able to do part 1 and part 2 of homework
 - Hopefully part 3 by today, maybe next time though.

The following statement in a language like C or Java would be compiled to how many instructions in low-level code?

Z = X + X + X + X;

 \bigcirc 0

 \bigcirc 1

 \bigcirc 2

 \bigcirc 4

How many levels of caches does a typical x86 system have?

 \bigcirc 1

 \bigcirc 2

 \bigcirc 3

O 4

Write a few reasons why it may be difficult to reason about program performance when using a high-level language like Python

Using your best guess, how much faster do you think a program written in C/Java is than a program written in Python? Give a few reasons explaining your guess. Feel free to run a simple experiment and see what happens!

1	1 respondent	1 %
2	5 respondents	6 %
4	30 respondents	38 %
8	52 respondents	65 [%]
At least 16	4 respondents	5 %

Modern-day compilers and runtimes will automatically make your code parallel. Because of this, most programmers do not need to think about parallelism when writing programs.

Justify your answer above using a few sentences

Review

Instruction-level Parallelism (ILP)

- Parallelism from a single stream of instructions.
 - Output of program must match exactly a sequential execution!

- Widely applicable:
 - most mainstream programming languages are sequential
 - most deployed hardware has components to execute ILP

• Done by a combination of programmer, compiler, and hardware

Instruction-level Parallelism (ILP)

What type of instructions can be done in parallel?

two instructions can be executed in parallel if they are independent

$$x = z + w;$$

 $a = b + c;$

Two instructions are independent if the operand registers are disjoint from the result registers

(assume all letter variables are registers)

instructions that are not independent cannot be executed in parallel

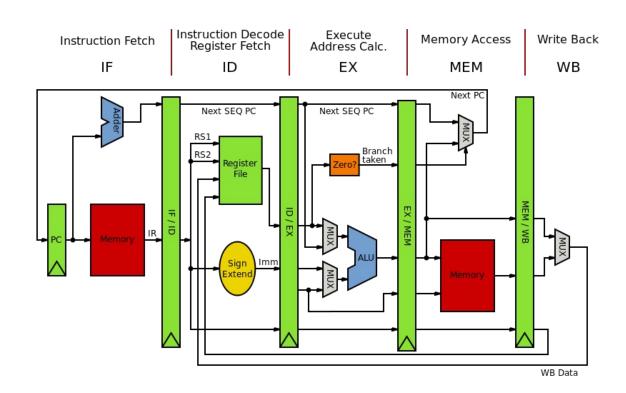
$$x = z + w;$$
 $a = b + x;$

Many times, dependencies can be easily tracked in the compiler:

How can hardware execute ILP?

• Pipeline parallelism

- Abstract mental model:
 - N-stage pipeline
 - N instructions can be in-flight
 - Dependencies stall pipeline



How can hardware execute ILP?

- Executing multiple instructions at once:
- Superscalar architecture:
 - Several sequential operations are issued in parallel
 - hardware detects dependencies

```
issue-width is maximum number of instructions that can be issued in parallel
instr0;
instr1;
instr2;
if instr0 and instr1 are independent, they will be issued in parallel
```

What does this look like in the real world?

- Intel Haswell (2013):
 - Issue width of 4
 - 14-19 stage pipeline
 - OoO execution
- Intel Nehalem (2008)
 - 20-24 stage pipeline
 - Issue width of 2-4
 - OoO execution
- ARM
 - V7 has 3 stage pipeline; Cortex V8 has 13
 - Cortex V8 has issue width of 2
 - OoO execution

- RISC-V
 - Ariane and Rocket are In-Order
 - 3-6 stage pipelines
 - some super scaler implementations (BOOM)

Using Loop Unrolling to Exploit ILP

Simple loop unrolling:

```
for (int i = 0; i < SIZE; i+=2) {
    SEQ(i,1);
    SEQ(i,2);
    SEQ(i,N); // end iteration for i
    SEQ(i+1,1);
    SEQ(i+1,2);
    SEQ(i+1, N); // end iteration for i + 1
```

Let SEQ(i,j) be the jth instruction of SEQ(i).

Let each instruction chain have N instructions

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    SEQ(i+1,1);
    SEQ(i,2);
    SEQ(i+1,2);
    ...
    SEQ(i,N);
    SEQ(i+1, N);</pre>
```

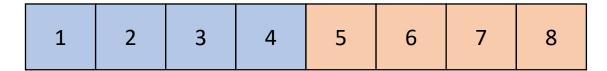
They can be interleaved

two instructions can be pipelined, or executed on a superscalar processor

- chunk array in equal sized partitions and do local reductions
- Consider size 2:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

- chunk array in equal sized partitions and do local reductions
- Consider size 2:



• Simple implementation:

```
for (int i = 1; i < SIZE/2; i++) {
    a[0] = REDUCE(a[0], a[i]);
    a[SIZE/2] = REDUCE(a[SIZE/2], a[(SIZE/2)+i]);
}
a[0] = REDUCE(a[0], a[SIZE/2])</pre>
```

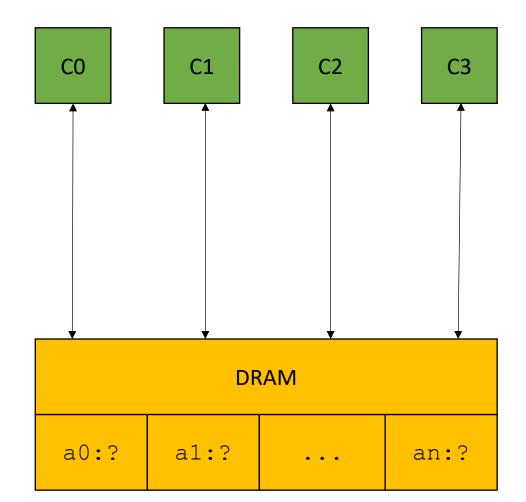
 This method of chunking will likely work *somewhat* on your local machine

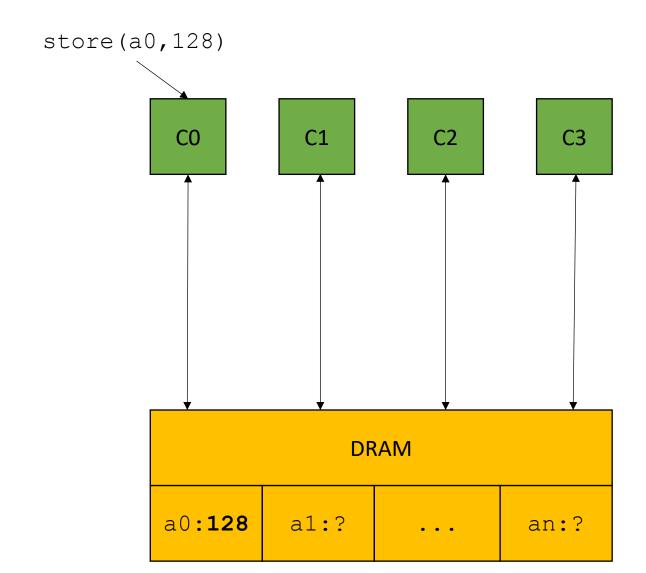
- It will not work on the grading server.
- You will need to figure out a different way of chunking to see speedups on the server
 - You will get 90% credit for the chunking solution
 - Full credit for a solution that works on the grading server (using ILP and loop unrolling)

Memory hierarchy overview

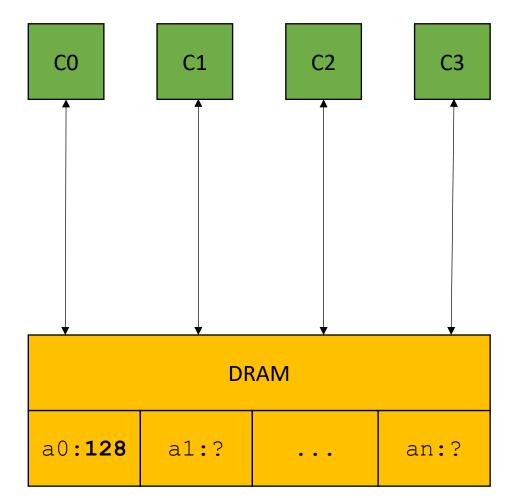
• How can threads communicate?

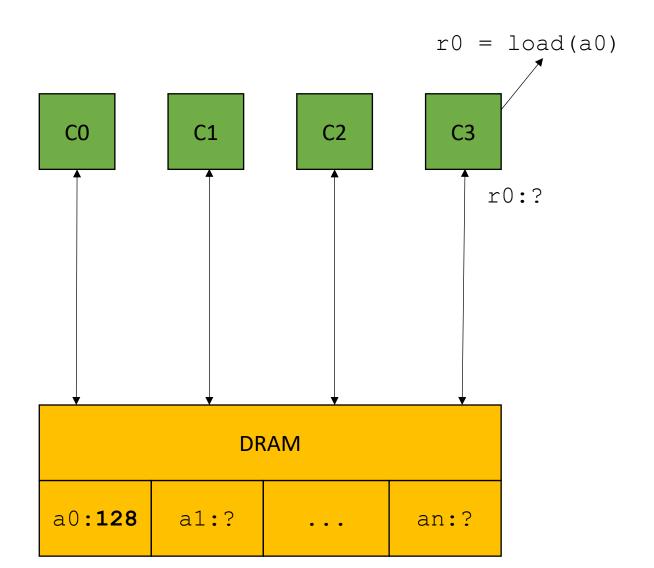
store(a0,128)



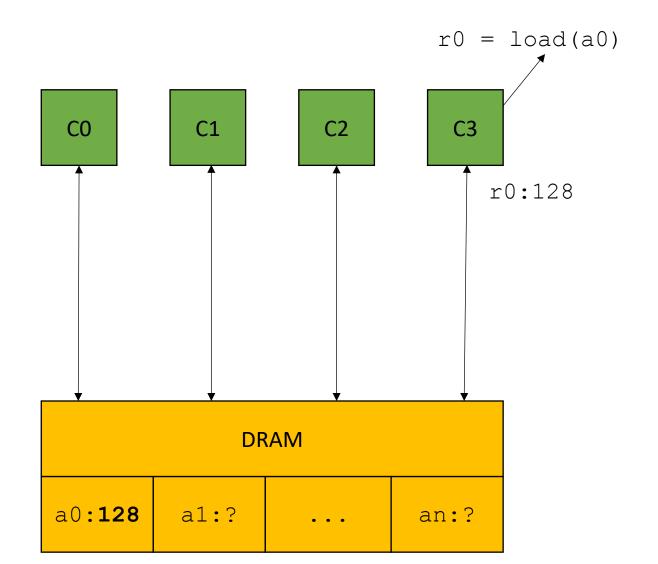


r0 = load(a0)



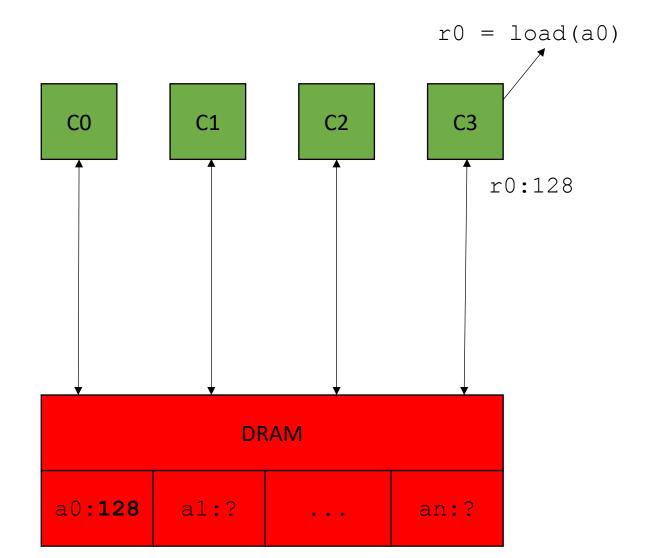


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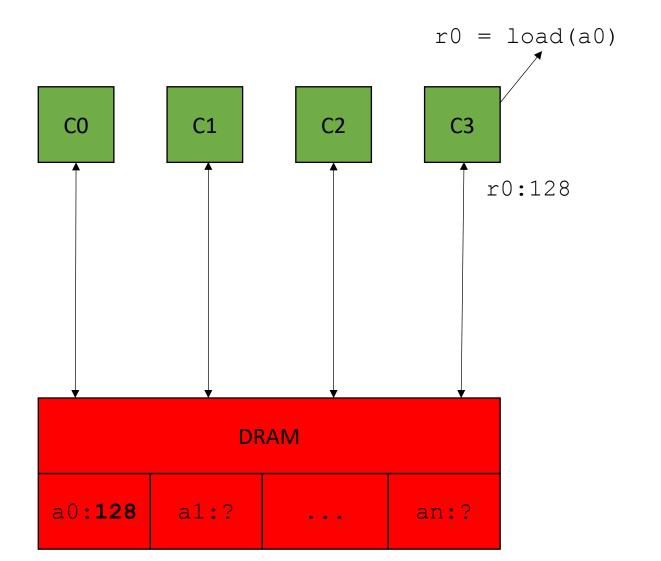
reading a value takes ~200 cycles



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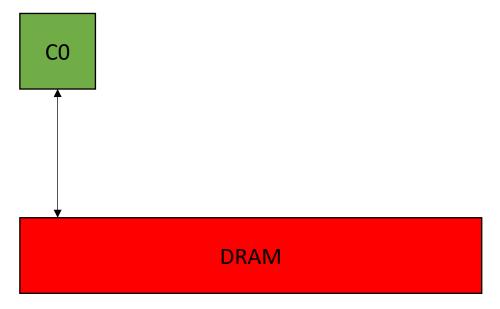
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Bad for parallelism, but also really bad for sequential code (which we optimized for decades!)



```
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    a[0]++;
}
```

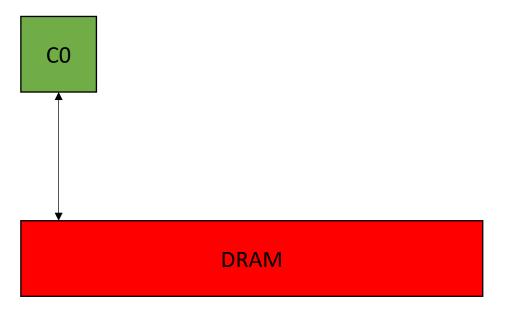
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store i32 %6, i32* %4
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200 cycles

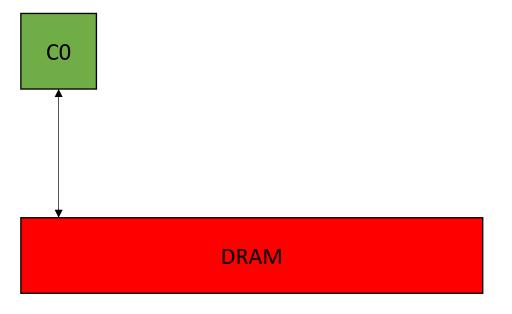


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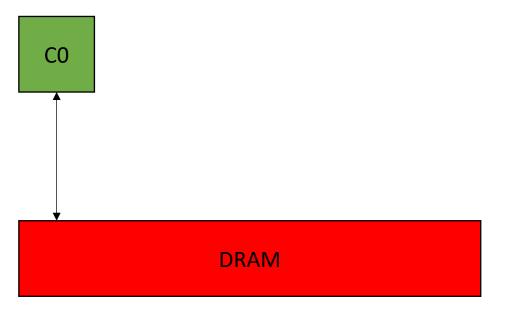
%6 = add nsw i32 %5, 1

store i32 %6, i32* %4
```



```
int increment(int *a) {
   a[0]++;
}
```

```
%5 = load i32, i32* %4 200 cycles
%6 = add nsw i32 %5, 1 1 cycles
store i32 %6, i32* %4 200 cycles
```



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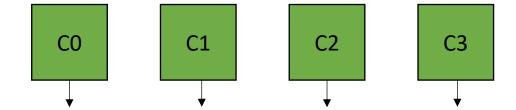
200 cycles 1 cycles

200 cycles

401 cycles



Caches

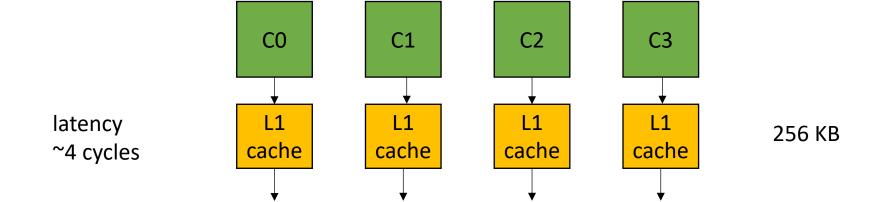


latency ~200 cycles

DRAM

Many GBs (or even TBs)

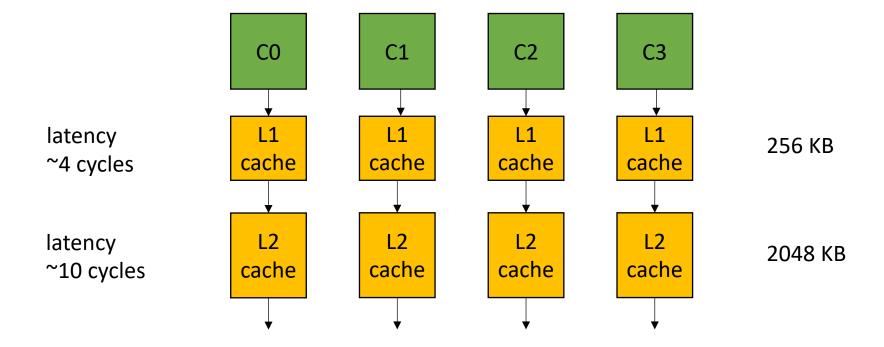
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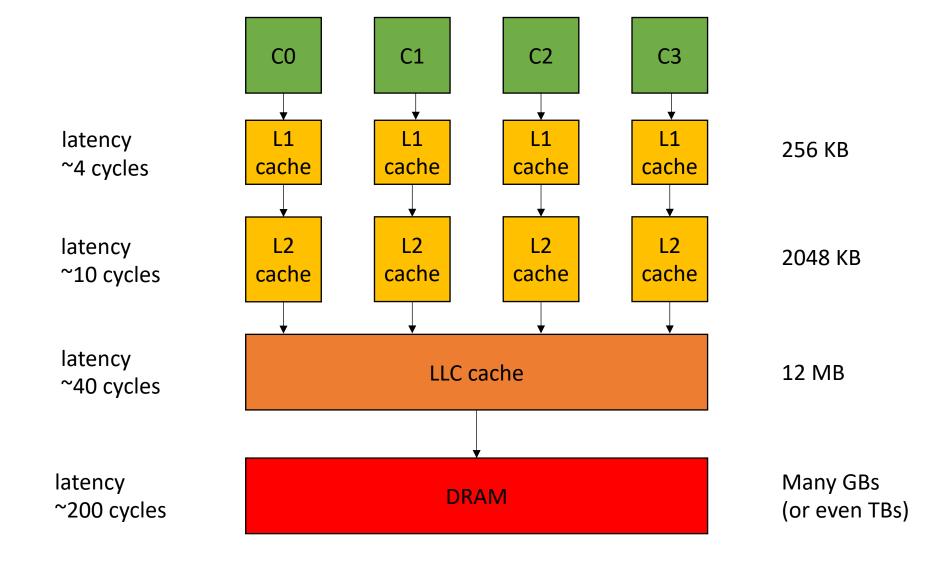


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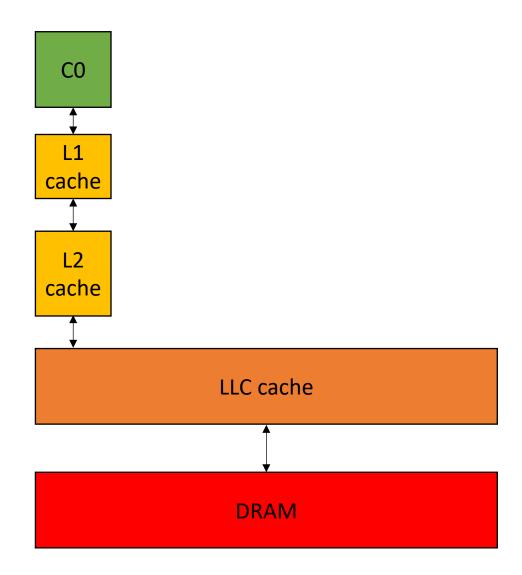
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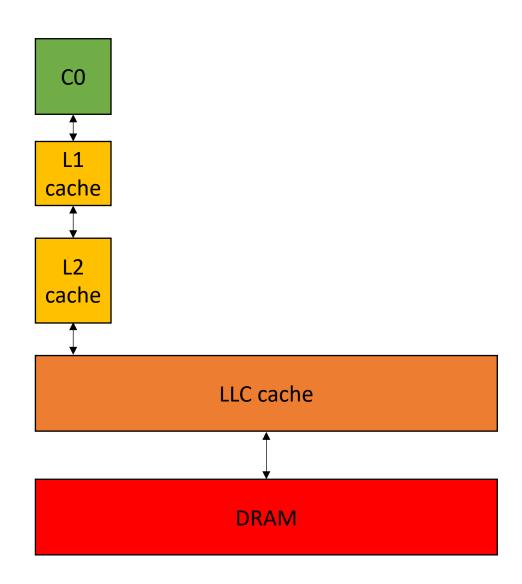


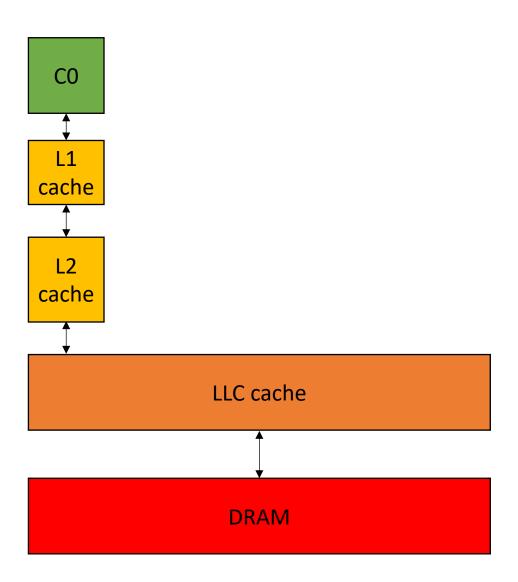


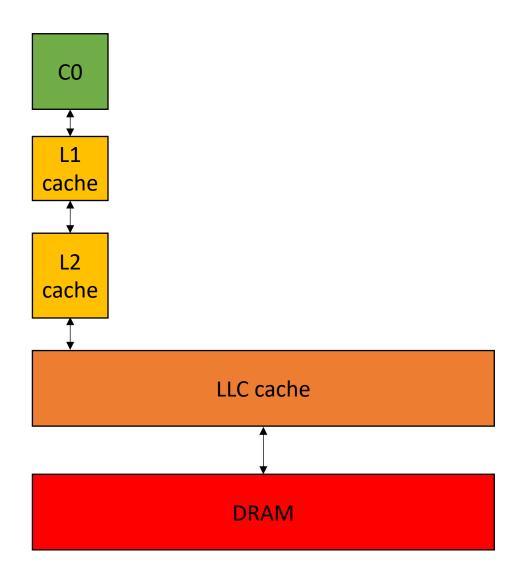
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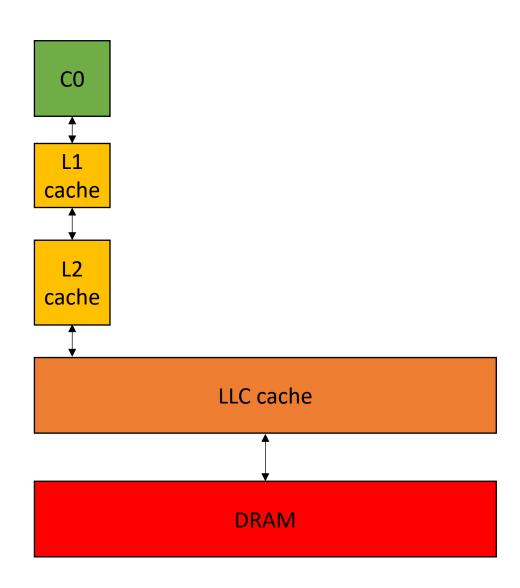
Assuming the value is in the cache!







```
int increment(int *a) {
   a[0]++;
%5 = load i32, i32* %4
                             4 cycles
\%6 = add nsw i32 \%5, 1
                             1 cycles
store i32 %6, i32* %4
                             4 cycles
                             9 cycles!
```



Quick overview of C/++ pointers/memory

Passing arrays in C++

```
int increment(int *a) {
   a[0]++;
int increment alt1(int a[1]) {
   a[0]++;
int increment alt2(int a[]) {
   a[0]++;
```

Not checked at compile time! but hints can help with compiler optimizations. Also good self documenting code.

Passing pointers

```
int foo0(int *a) {
   increment(a)
                                        pass pointer directly through
int fool(int *a) {
   increment(&(a[8]))
                                        pass an offset of 8
int foo2(int *a) {
   increment(a + 8)
                                        another way to pass an offset of 8
```

Memory Allocation

```
int allocate int array0() {
                                        stack allocation
  int ar[16];
int allocate int array1() {
  int *ar = new int[16];
                                        C++ style
  delete[] ar;
int allocate int array2() {
  int *ar = (int*)malloc(sizeof(int)*16);
                                                      C style
  free (ar);
```

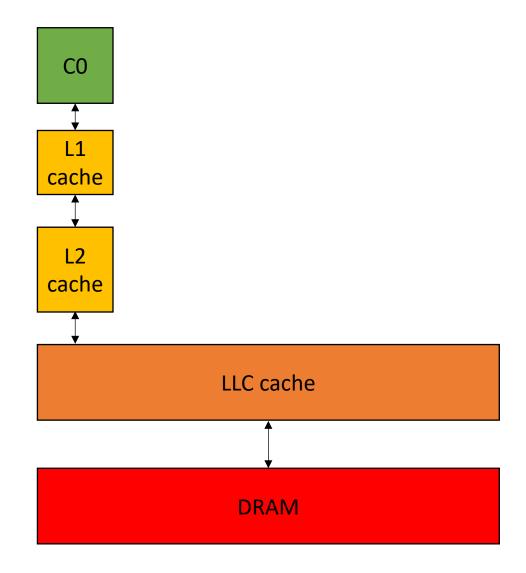
Cache lines

- Cache line size for x86: 64 bytes:
 - 64 chars
 - 32 shorts
 - 16 float or int
 - 8 double or long

Assume a[0] is not in the cache

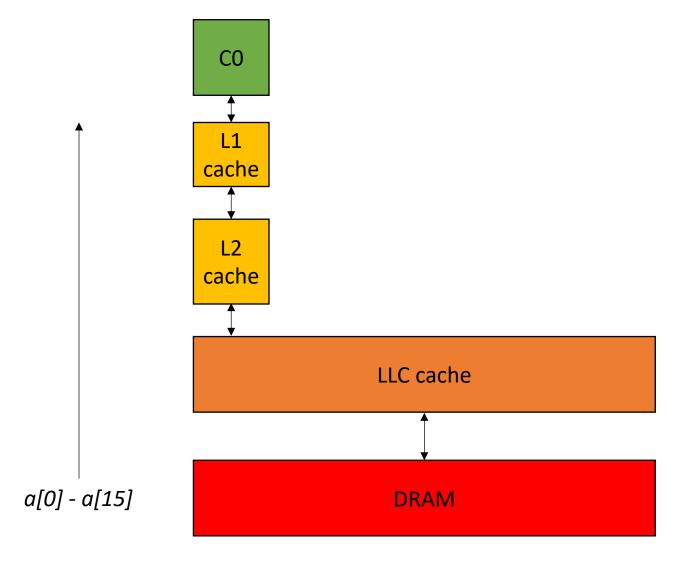
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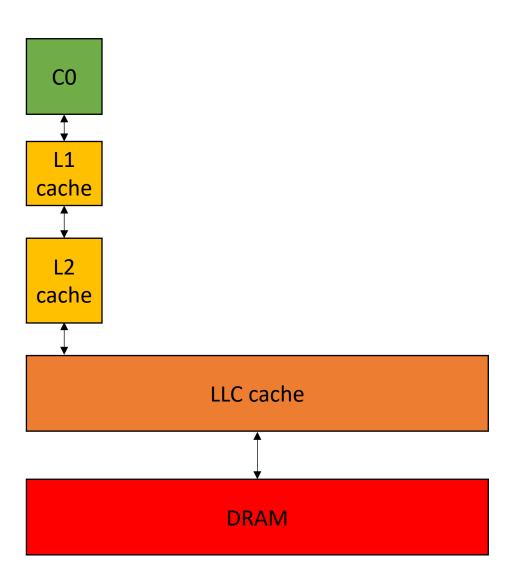


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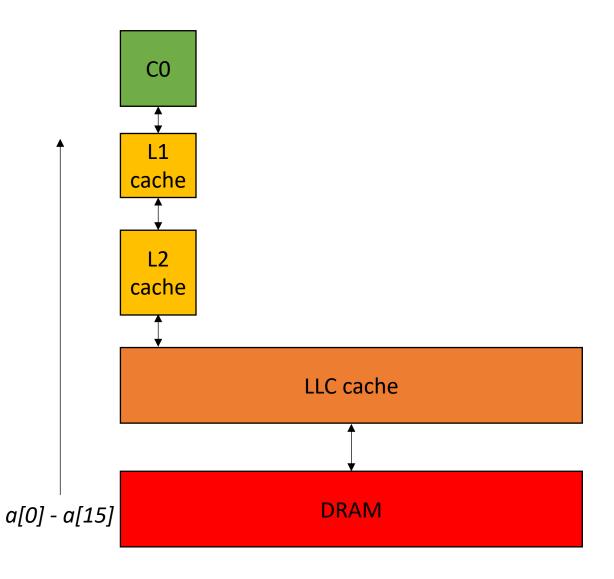
```
int increment_several(int *a) {
    a[0]++;
    a[15]++;
    a[16]++;
}
```



```
CO
int increment several(int *a) {
   a[0]++;
                                                  L1
   a[15]++;
                                                 cache
   a[16]++;
                                                  L2
                                                 cache
                                                             LLC cache
                                                              DRAM
                                        a[0] - a[15]
```

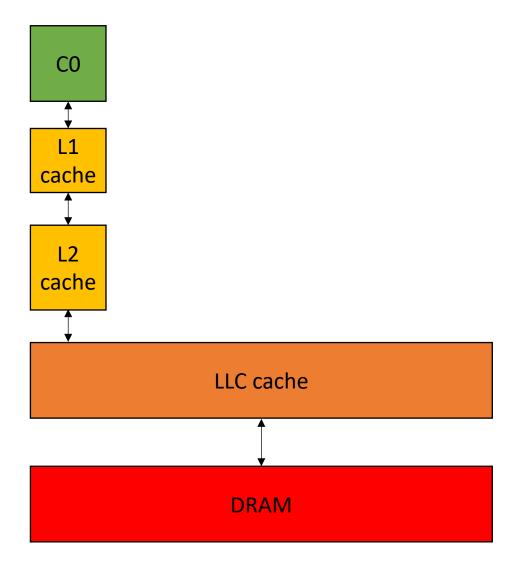
```
int increment_several(int *a) {
    a[0]++;
    a[15]++;
    a[16]++;
}
```

will be a hit because we've loaded a[0] cache line



```
CO
int increment several(int *a) {
    a[0]++;
                                                          L1
                                                         cache
    a[15]++;
    a[16]++;
                                                          L2
                                                         cache
Miss
                                                                       LLC cache
                                                                        DRAM
                                               a[0] - a[15]
                                              <mark>a[16] - a[31]</mark>
```

```
int increment_several(int *b) {
   b[0]++;
   b[15]++;
}
int foo(int *a) {
   increment_several(&(a[8]))
}
```



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                                               L1
   b[15]++;
                                              cache
                                                L2
                                              cache
int foo(int *a) {
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                                                          LLC cache
                                                           DRAM
                                      a[0] - a[15]
```

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                                                 L1
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                                                 L2
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int foo(int *a) {
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                                                            LLC cache
This loads a[8]
                                                             DRAM
                                        a[0] - a[15]
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                                                                LLC cache
This loads a[8]
                                                                 DRAM
                                           a[0] - a[15]
This loads a[23], a miss!
                                          a[16] - a[31]
```

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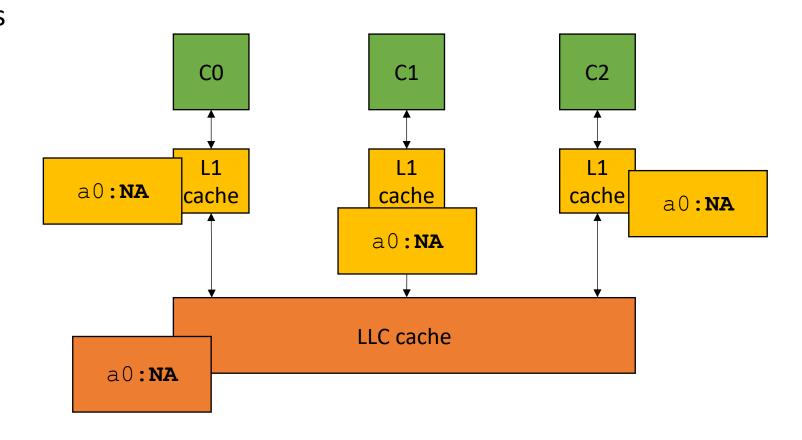
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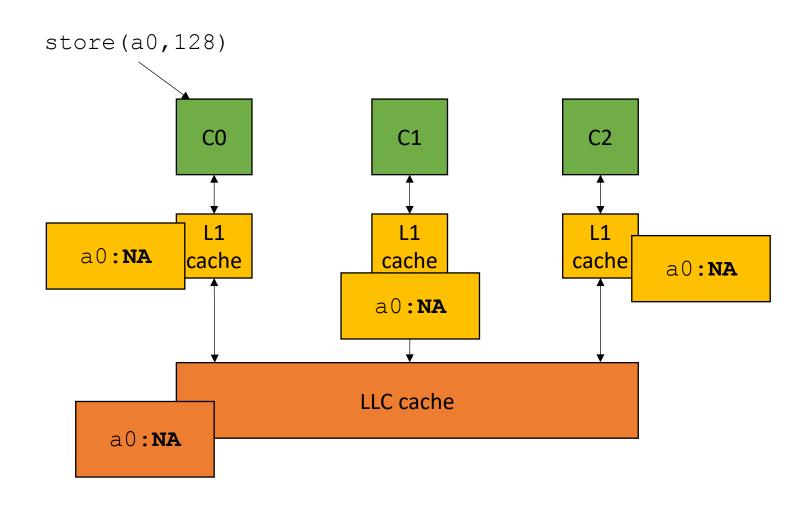
prefetcher will start collecting consecutive data in the cache if it detects patterns like this.

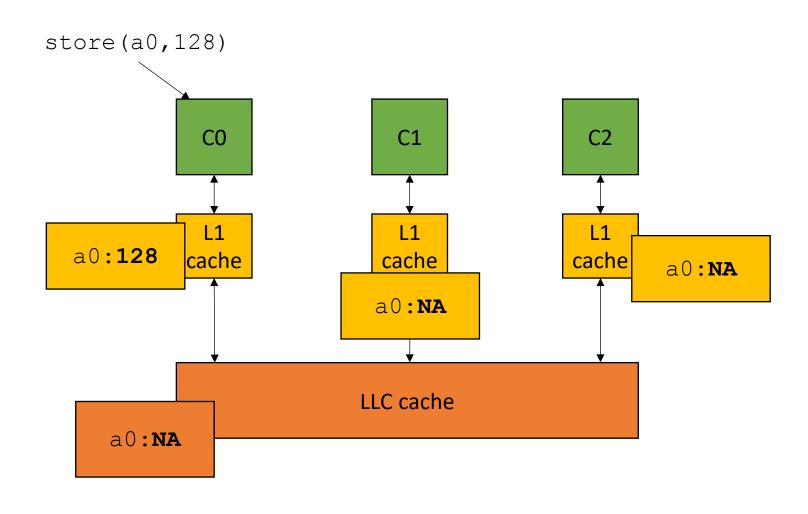
How to manage multiple values for the same address in the system?

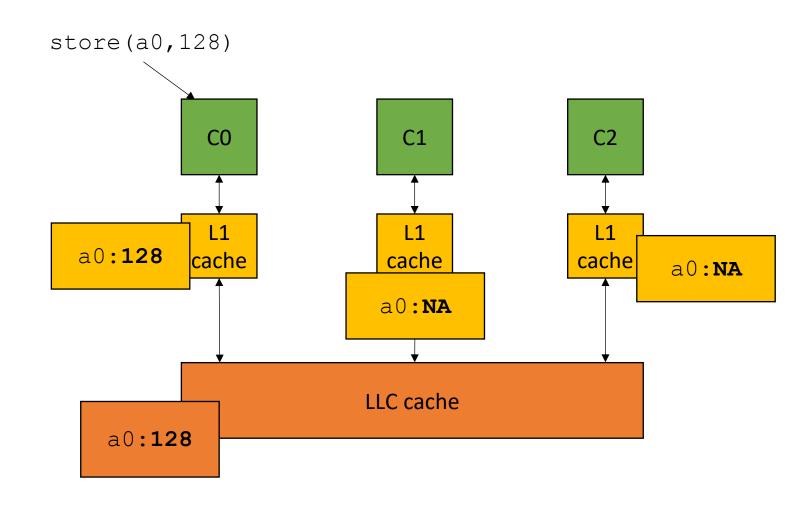
simplified view for illustration: L1 cache and LLC

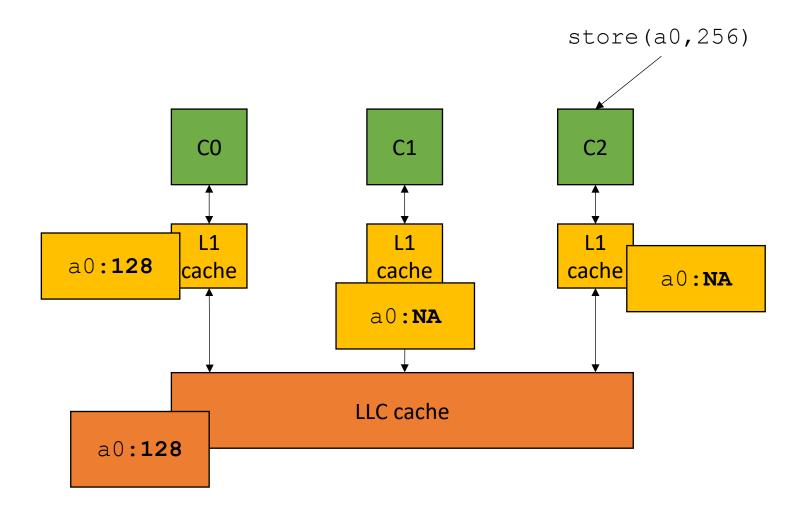
Consider 3 cores accessing the same memory location

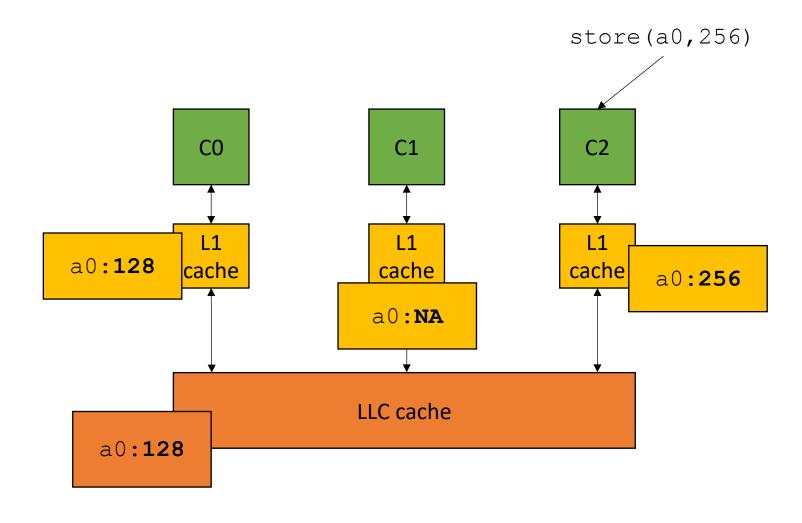


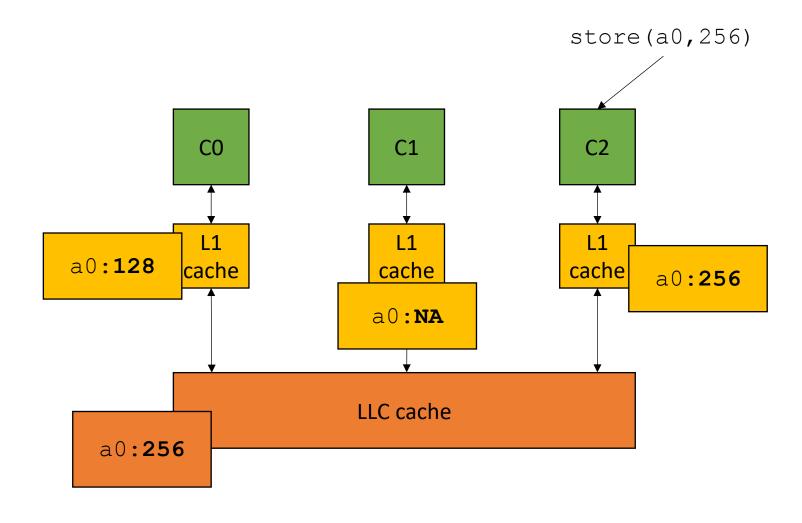




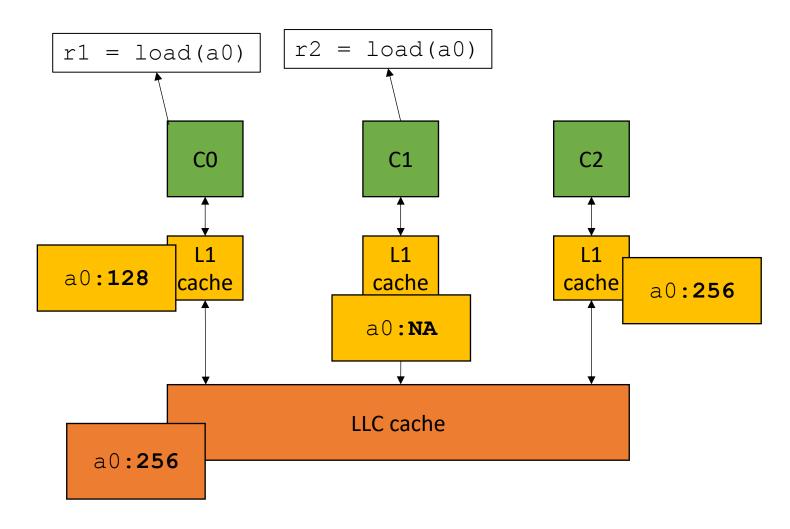


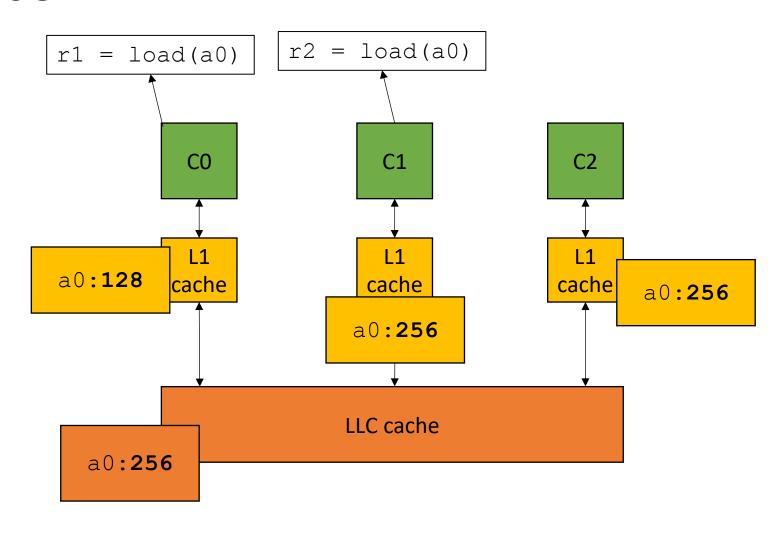




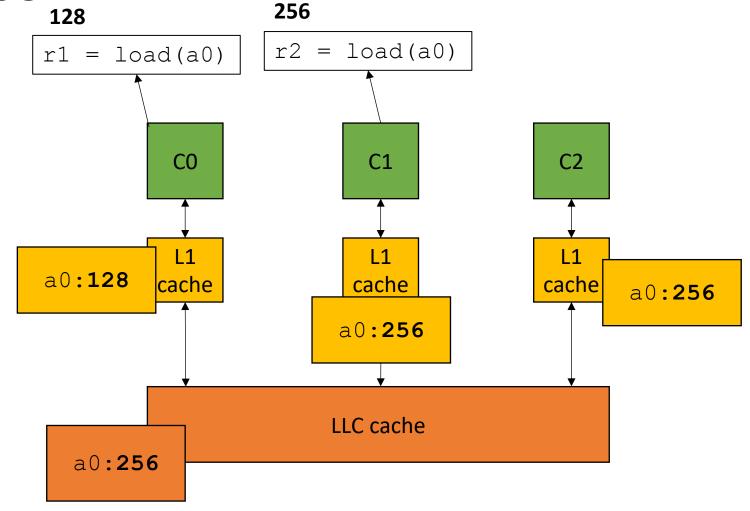


in parallel

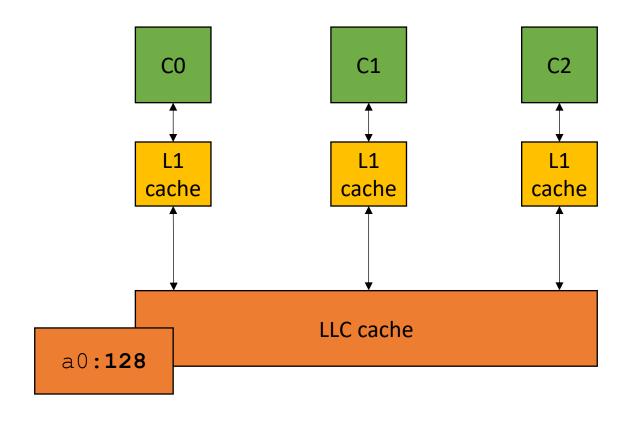


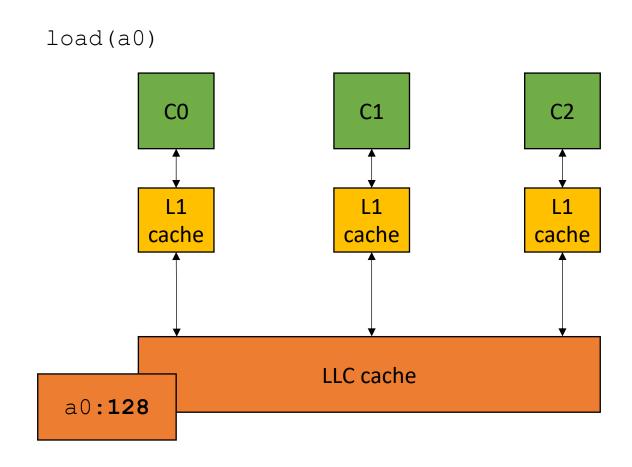


Incoherent view of values!

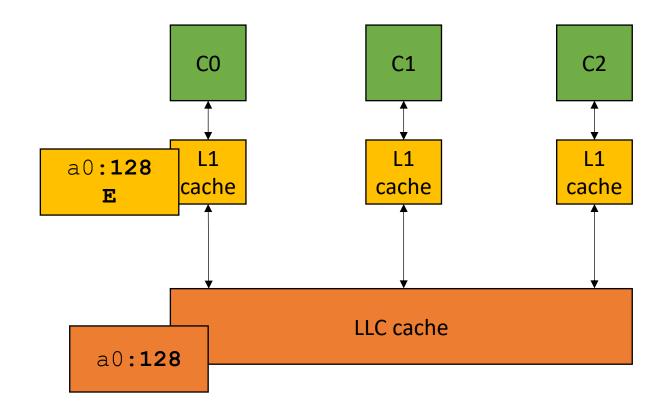


- MESI protocol
- Cache line can be in 1 of 4 states:
 - Modified the cache contains a modified value and it must be written back to the lower level cache
 - Exclusive only 1 cache has a copy of the value
 - Shared more than 1 cache contains the value, they must all agree on the value
 - Invalid the data is stale and a new value must be fetched from a lower level cache

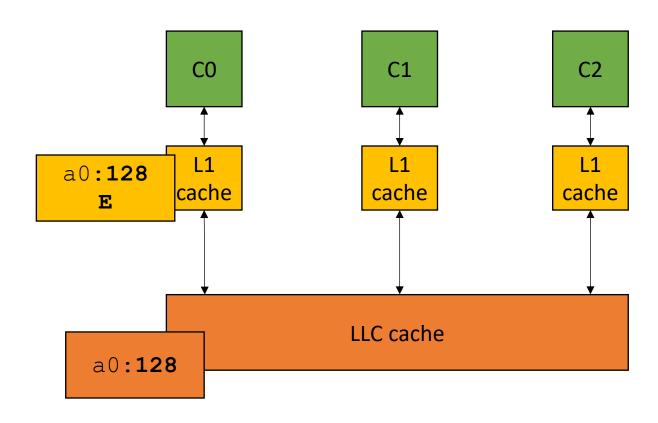




Exclusive states are clean: they match main memory



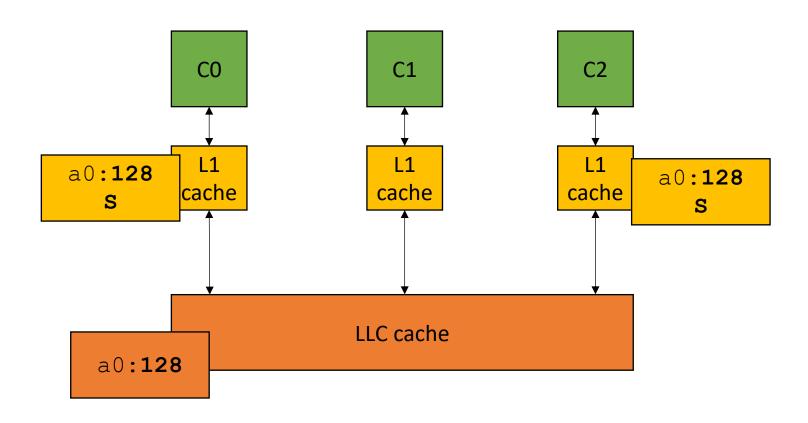
load(a0)



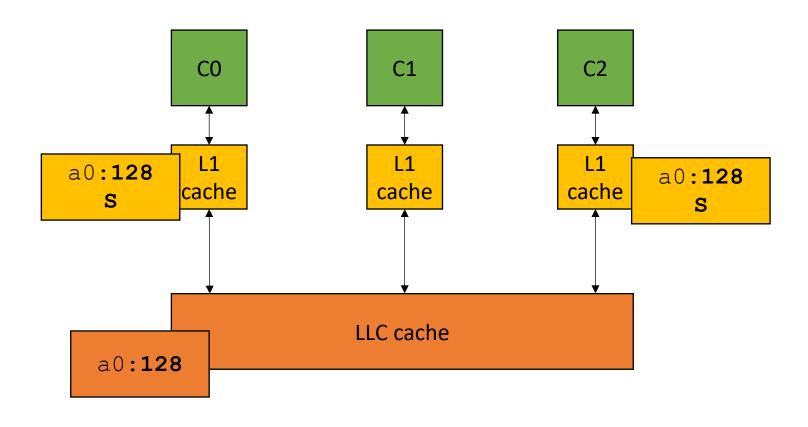
CO C1 C2 a0:**128** a0:**128** cache cache cache LLC cache a0:**128**

load(a0)

Shared states are clean: they match main memory

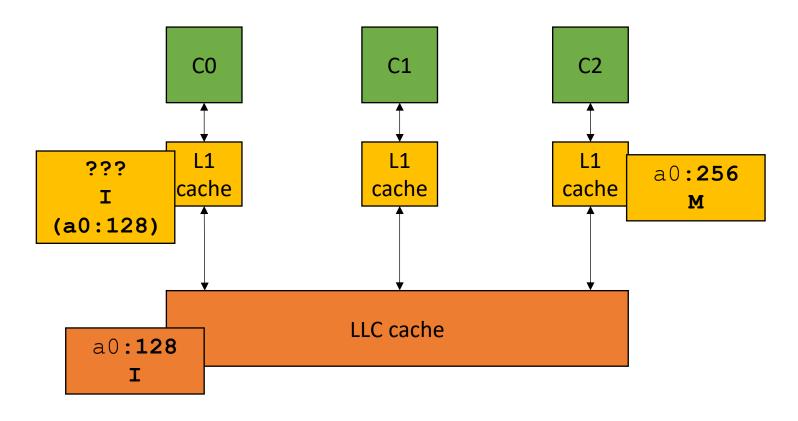


store(a0,256)

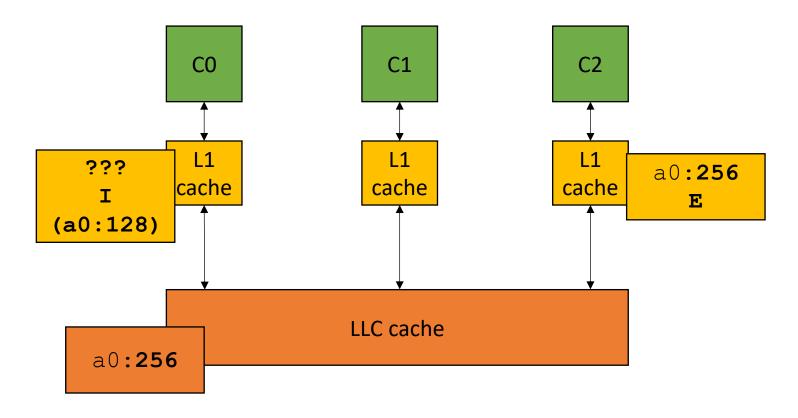


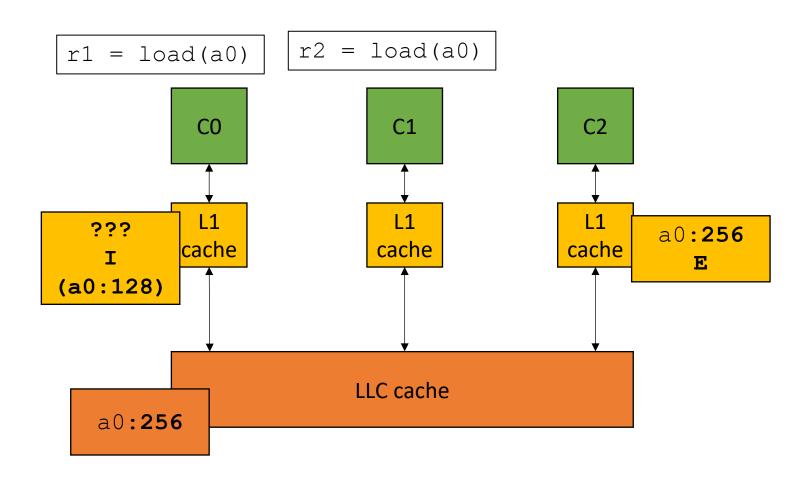
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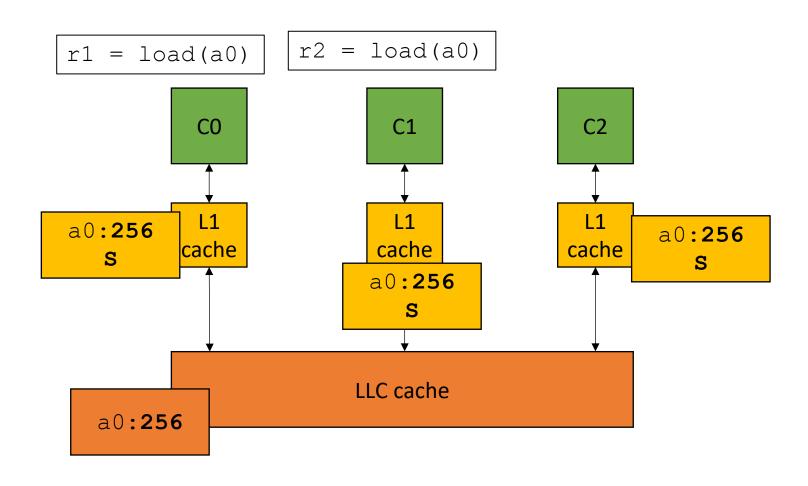
Modified states are dirty: they don't match main memory

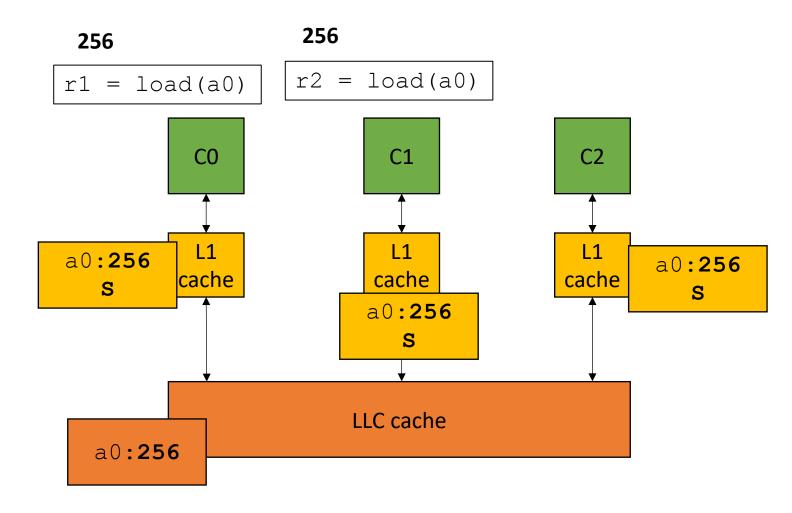


Invalid states are considered unused







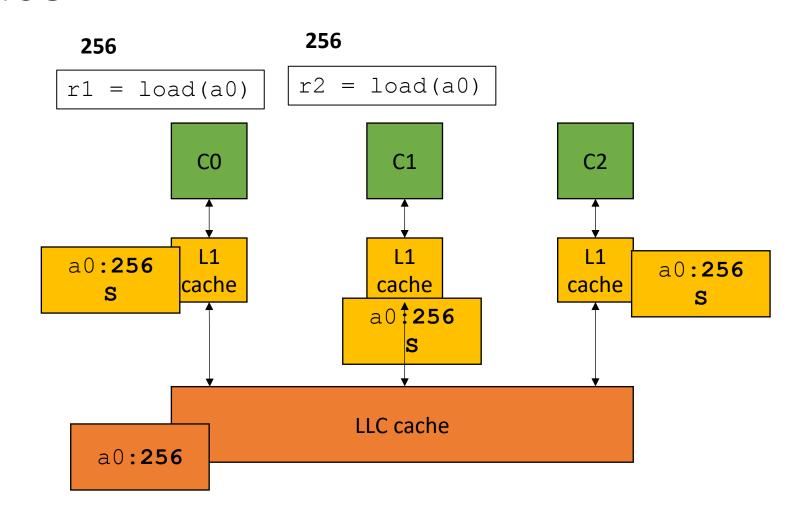


Takeaways:

Caches must agree on values across cores.

Caches are functionally invisible! Cannot tell with raw input and output

But performance measurements can expose caches, especially if they share the same cache line



- Introduction
 - Learn as needed throughout class
- Multi-threading officially introduced in C++11
 - only widely available after ~2014
 - official specification
 - cross-platform
- Before C++ threads
 - pthreads

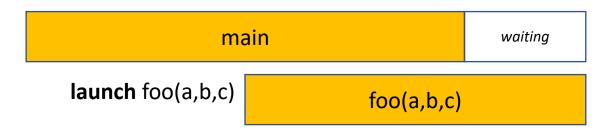
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main

launch foo(a,b,c)

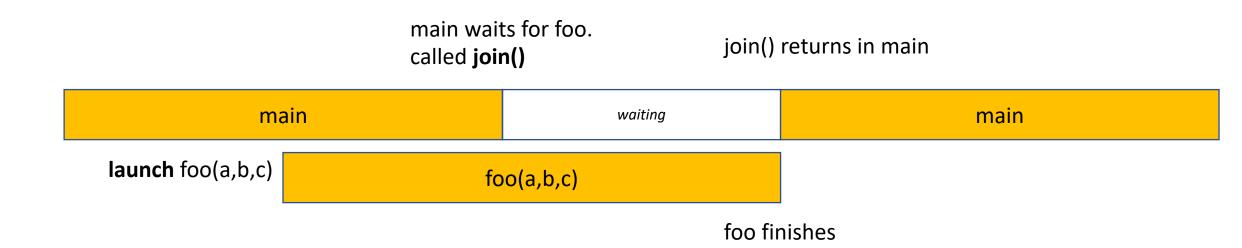
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main needs to wait for foo. join()



foo finishes

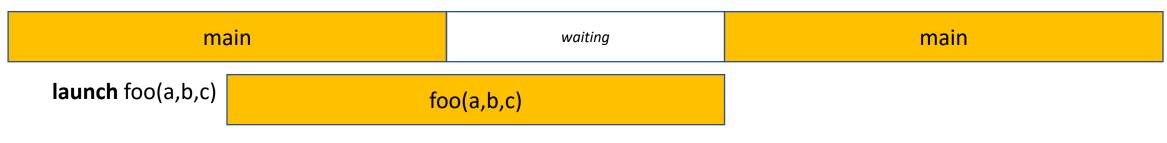
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```
#include <thread>
using namespace std;
void foo(int a, int b, int c) {
 // some foo code
int main() {
  // some main code
  thread thread handle (foo, 1, 2, 3);
  // code here runs concurrently with foo
  thread handle.join();
  return 0;
```

main waits for foo. called **join()**

join() returns in main



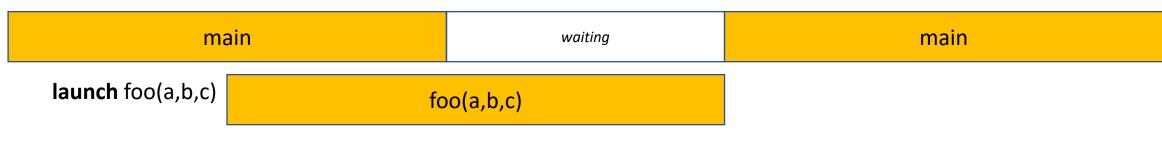
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header and namespace

main waits for foo. called **join()**

join() returns in main



foo finishes

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Launches a concurrent thread that executes foo

Stores a handle in thread_handle (don't lose the handle!)

constructor takes in the function, and all arguments

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main waiting main

launch foo(a,b,c)

foo(a,b,c)

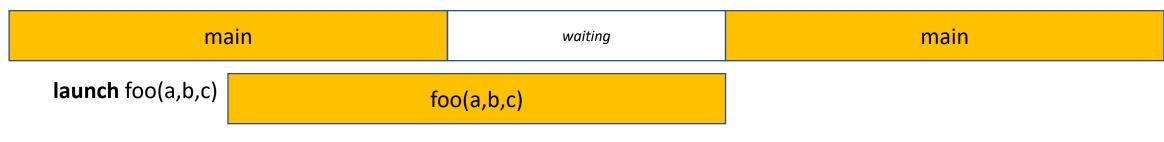
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using namespace std;
void foo(int a, int b, int c) {
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Requires C++14

clang++ -std=c++14 main.cpp

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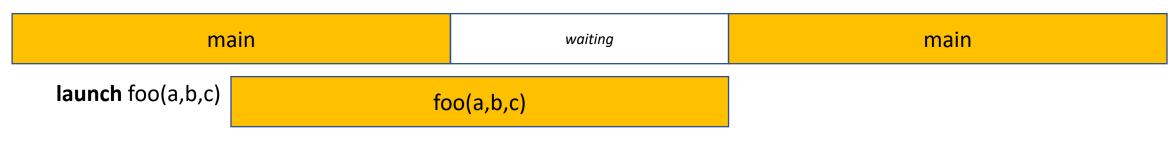
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calling join() on the thread handle will cause main to wait for the thread launched with thread_handle to finish.

main waits for foo. called join()

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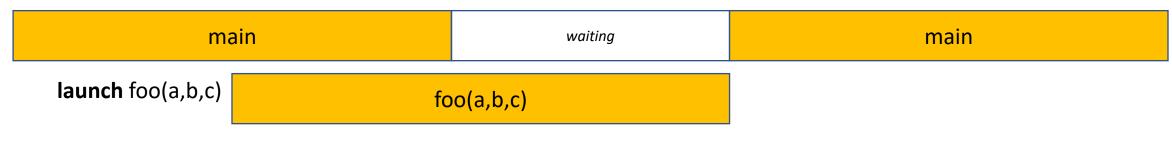
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```

After foo finishes, main starts executing again

main waits for foo. called **join()**

join() returns in main



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libc++abi.dylib: terminating
Abort trap: 6

JOIN YOUR THREADS!!!

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return value?

Doesn't have to be void, but it is ignored

how to get values back from threads?

```
#include <thread>
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
void foo(int a, int b, int &c) {
 // return a + b;
  c = a + b;
int main() {
  // some main code
  int ret = 0;
  thread thread handle (foo, 1, 2, ref(ret));
  // code here runs concurrently with foo
  thread handle.join();
  cout << ret << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

Options

pass by reference (C++)

```
#include <thread>
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
void foo(int a, int b, int *c) {
  // return a + b;
  \star_{c} = a + b;
int main() {
  // some main code
  int ret = 0;
  thread thread handle (foo, 1, 2, &ret);
  // code here runs concurrently with foo
  thread handle.join();
  cout << ret << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

Options

pass by address (C++ or C)

```
#include <thread>
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int c;
void foo(int a, int b) {
  // return a + b;
  c = a + b;
int main() {
  // some main code
  int ret = 0;
  thread thread handle (foo, 1, 2);
  // code here runs concurrently with foo
  thread handle.join();
  cout << c << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

Options

global variable (don't do this very often!)

```
#include <thread>
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
void foo(int a, int b, int *c) {
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  *c = a + b;
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What if....

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What if....

Undefined behavior!
Cannot access the same values concurrently without protection!

Next module we will talk protection (locks)

• Same program, multiple data

 Main idea: many threads execute the same function, but they operate on different data.

- How do they get different data?
 - each thread can access their own thread id, a contiguous integer starting at 0 up to the number of threads

```
void increment_array(int *a, int a_size) {
    for (int i = 0; i < a_size; i++) {
        a[i]++;
    }
}</pre>
```

lets do this in parallel! each thread increments different elements in the array

```
void increment_array(int *a, int a_size, int tid, int num_threads) {
   for (int i = 0; i < a_size; i++) {
        a[i]++;
   }
}</pre>
```

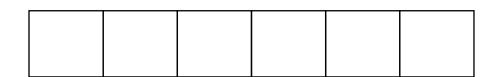
The function gets a thread id and the number of threads

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   }
}</pre>
```

A few options on how to split up the work lets do round robin

```
void increment_array(int *a, int a_size, int tid, int num_threads) {
    for (int i = tid; i < a_size; i+=num_threads) {
        a[i]++;
    }
}</pre>
```

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lets step through thread 0
i.e.
tid = 0
num_threads = 2
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```

iteration 1 computes index 0



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    for (int i = tid; i < a_size; i+=num_threads) {
        a[i]++;
    }
}</pre>
```

iteration 2 computes index 2



```
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```

```
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    for (int i = tid; i < a_size; i+=num_threads) {
        a[i]++;
    }
}</pre>
```

iteration 3 computes index 4



```
Assume 2 threads
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```

```
void increment_array(int *a, int a_size, int tid, int num_threads) {
    for (int i = tid; i < a_size; i+=num_threads) {
        a[i]++;
    }
}</pre>
```



array a

```
Assume 2 threads
lets step through thread 1
i.e.
tid = 1
num_threads = 2
```

```
void increment_array(int *a, int a_size, int tid, int num_threads) {
    for (int i = tid; i < a_size; i+=num_threads) {
        a[i]++;
    }
}</pre>
```

iteration 1 computes index 1

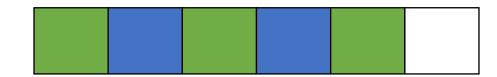


array a

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Assume 2 threads
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```

```
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   for (int i = tid; i < a_size; i+=num_threads) {
        a[i]++;
   }
}</pre>
```

iteration 2 computes index 3



array a

```
Assume 2 threads
lets step through thread 1
i.e.
tid = 1
num_threads = 2
```

```
void increment_array(int *a, int a_size, int tid, int num_threads) {
    for (int i = tid; i < a_size; i+=num_threads) {
        a[i]++;
    }
}</pre>
```

iteration 3 computes index 5



array a

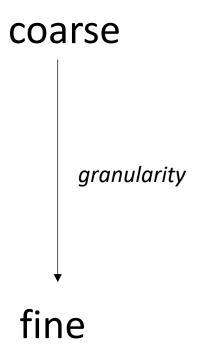
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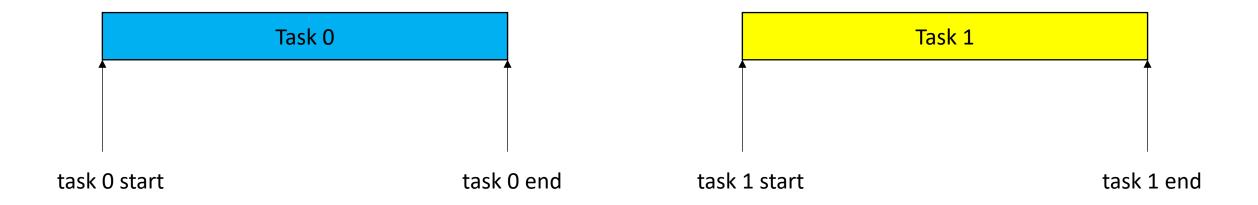
```
void increment array(int *a, int a size, int tid, int num threads);
#define THREADS 8
#define A SIZE 1024
int main() {
  int *a = new int[A SIZE];
 // initialize a
 thread thread ar[THREADS];
  for (int i = 0; i < THREADS; i++) {
   thread ar[i] = thread(increment array, a, A SIZE, i, THREADS);
  for (int i = 0; i < THREADS; i++) {
   thread ar[i].join();
  delete[] a;
  return 0;
```

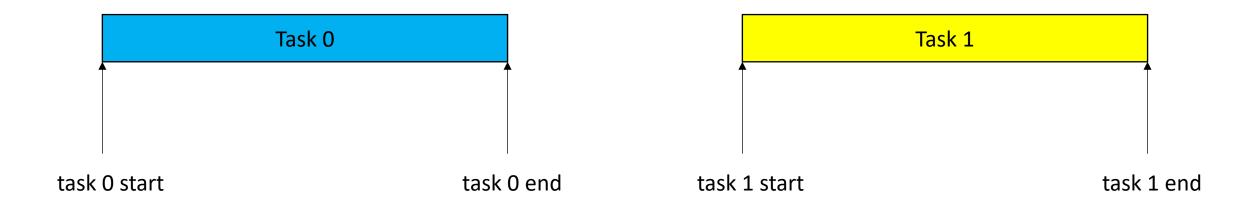
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- Concrete tasks:
 - Application (e.g. Spotify and Chrome)
 - Function
 - Loop iterations
 - Individual instructions
 - Circuit level?



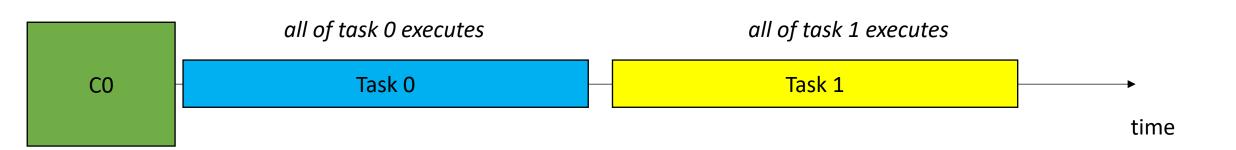




CO time

Sequential execution

Not concurrent or parallel





The OS can preempt a thread (remove it from the hardware resource)

Task 0

Task 1

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The OS can preempt a thread (remove it from the hardware resource)



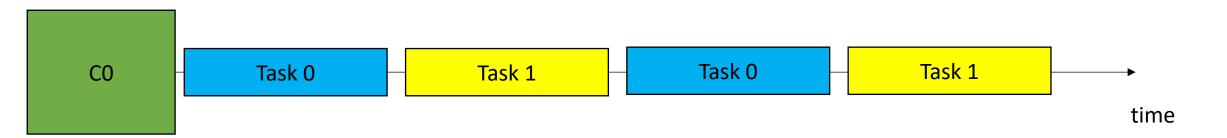
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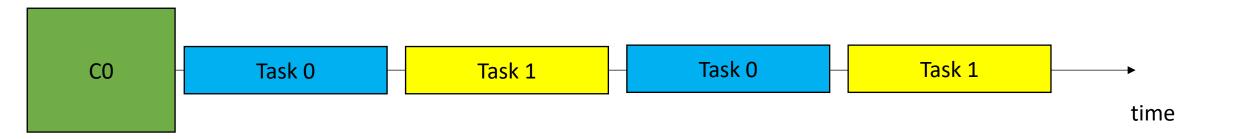


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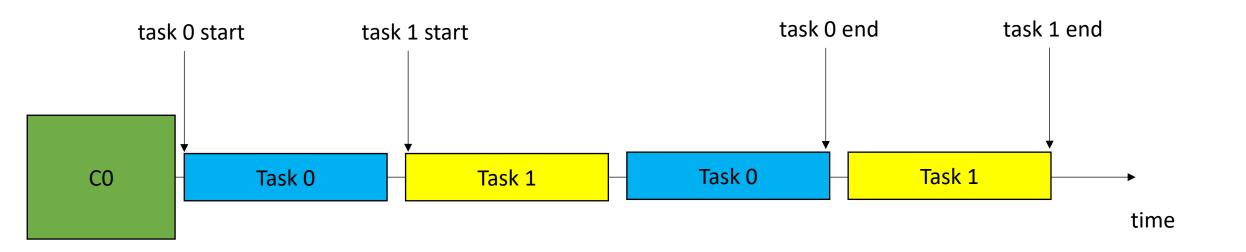


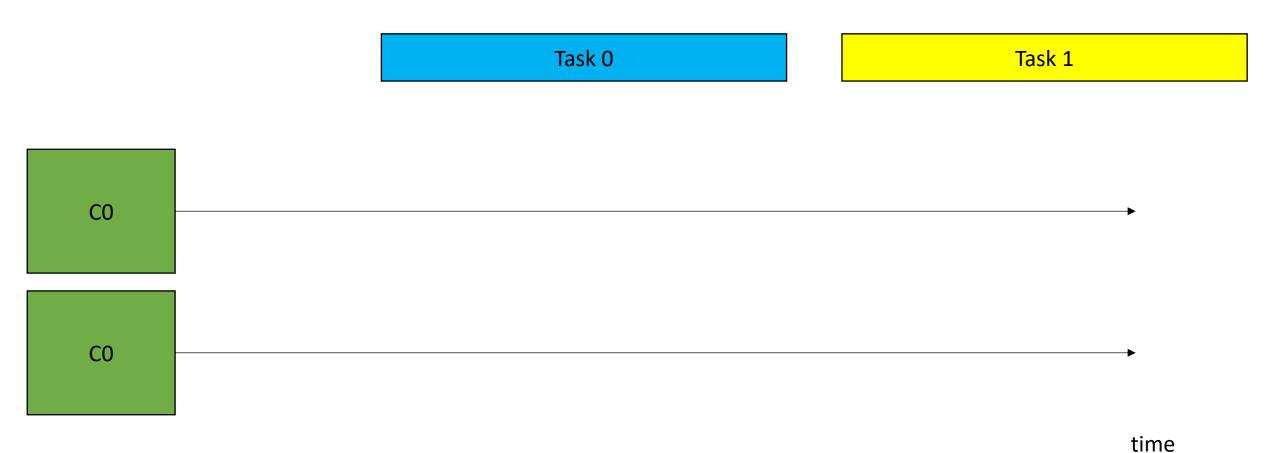
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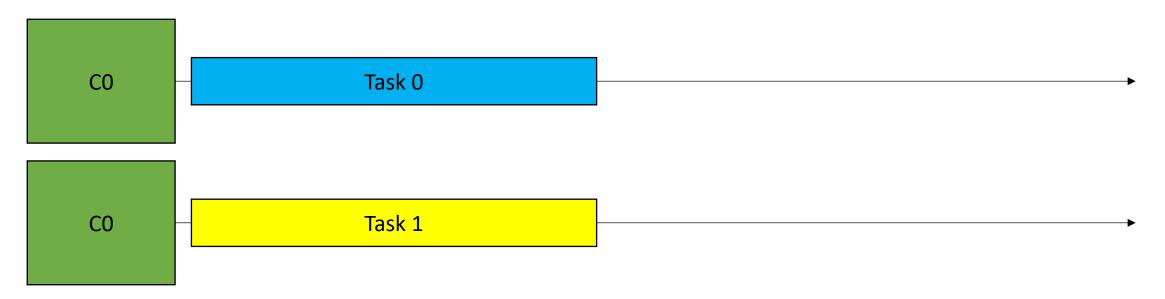
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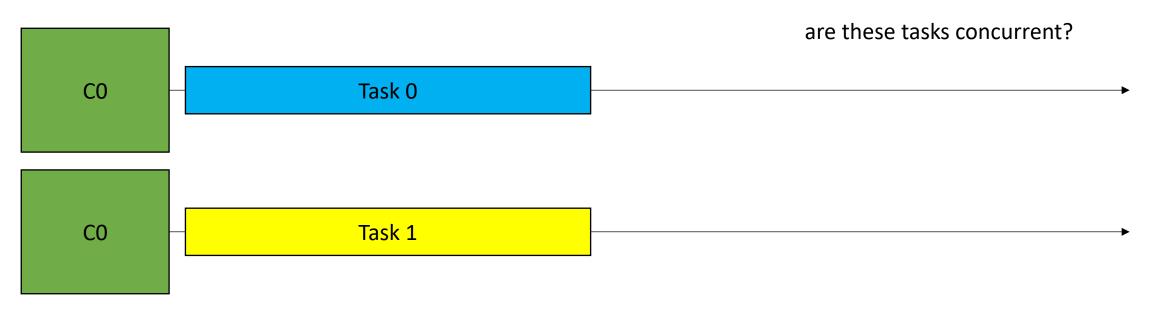


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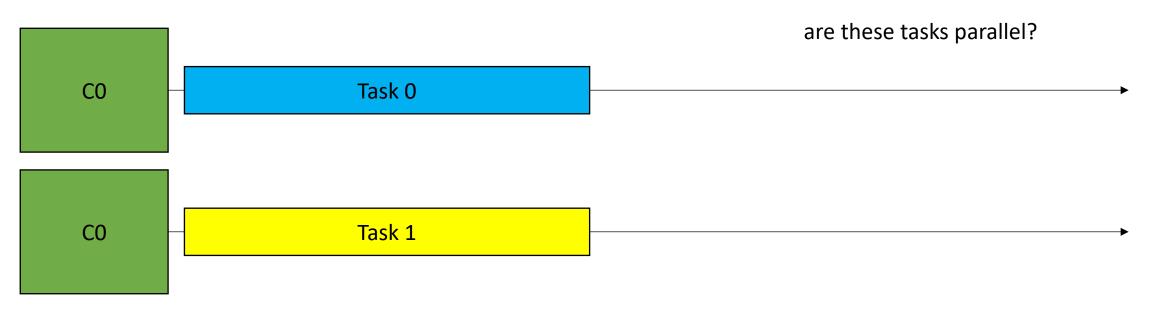
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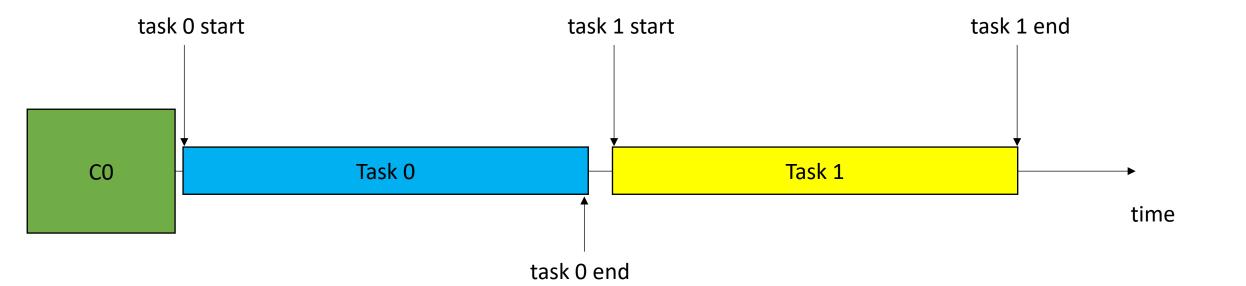


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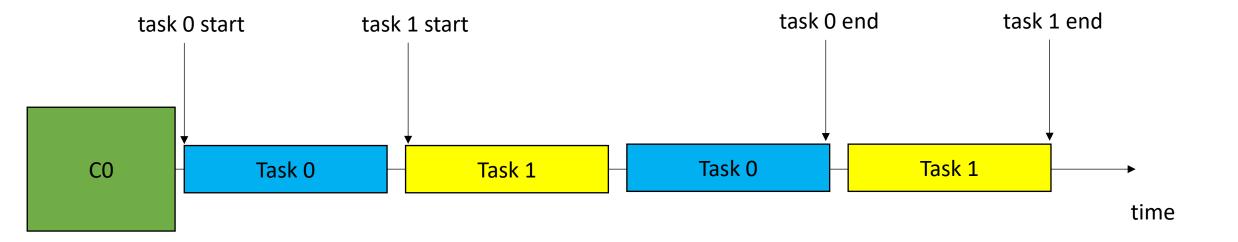
- Definition:
 - An execution is **parallel** if there is a point in the execution where computation is happening simultaneously



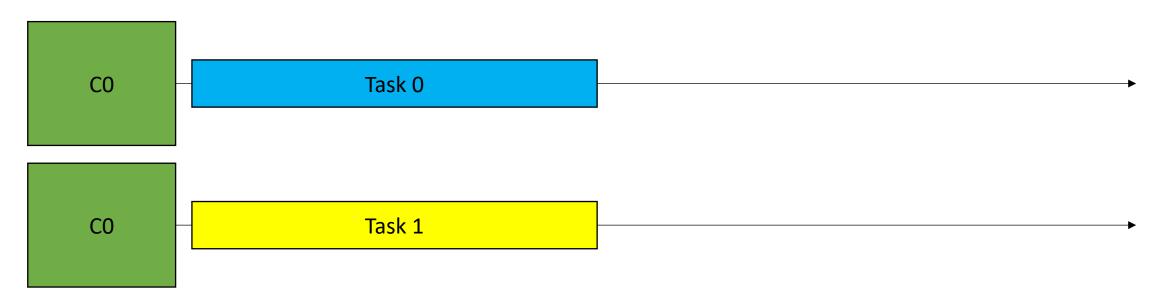
- Examples:
 - Neither concurrent or parallel (sequential)



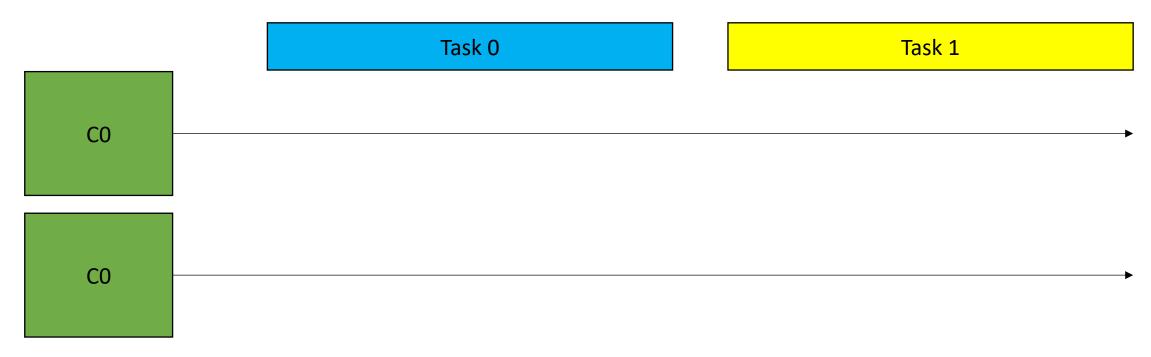
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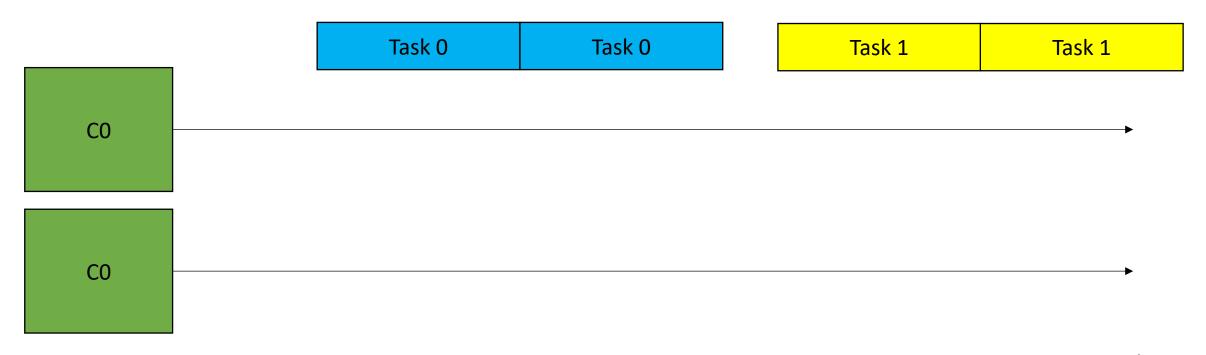
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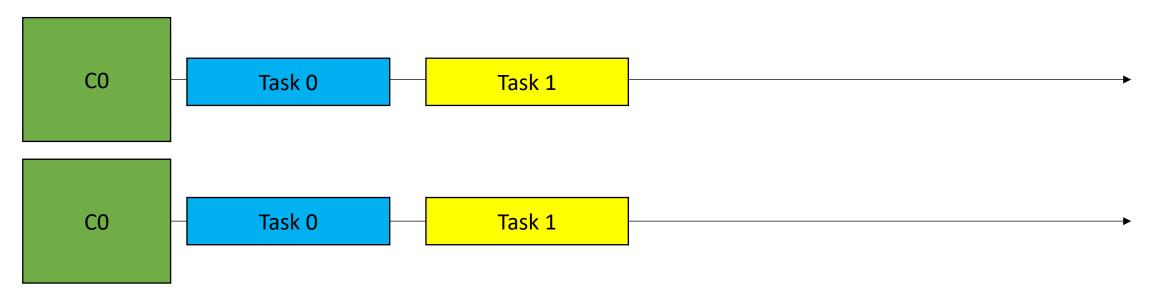
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- Examples:
 - Parallel execution but task 0 and task 1 are not concurrent?



- In practice:
 - Terms are often used interchangeably.
 - Parallel programming is often used by high performance engineers when discussing using parallelism to accelerate things
 - Concurrent programming is used more by interactive applications, e.g. event driven interfaces.