

Algorithms and Datastructures

Cache Efficiency, Divide and Conquer

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- ▶ Today we will see examples where this is not suitable

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Example:

- ▶ We sum up all elements of a field a of size n in ...
 - ▶ natural order:

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- ▶ random order:

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def run(param):  
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    # unpack data  
    (order, data) = param  
  
    # init the sum value  
    s = 0  
  
    for index in order:  
        s += data[index]  
  
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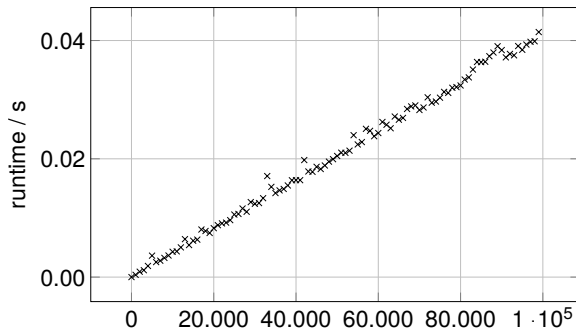


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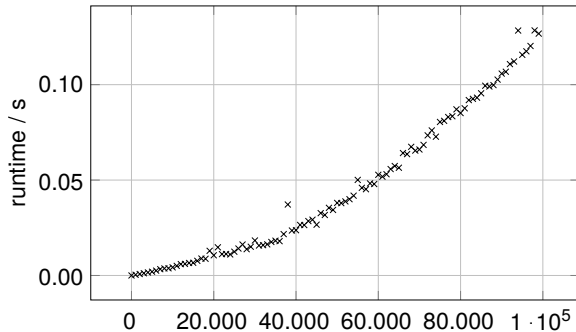


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- ▶ The costs in terms of memory access are very different

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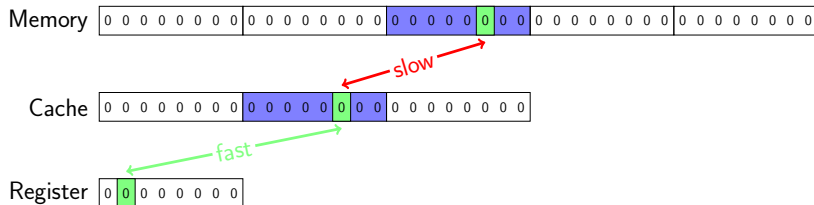


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Figure: Comparison good / bad locality

Accessing the cache B times:

- ▶ **Best case:** 1 block operation \rightarrow good locality
- ▶ **Worst case:** B block operations \rightarrow bad locality

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 - ▶ Many operating systems use free system memory as disk cache

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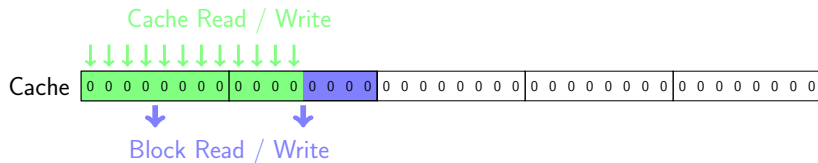


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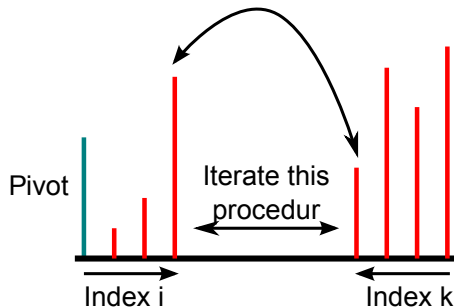
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    if (end - start) < 1:  
        return  
  
    i = start  
    k = end  
    piv = l[0]  
  
    ...
```

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```
def quicksort(l, start, end):  
    ...  
  
    while k > i:  
        while l[i] <= piv and i <= end and k > i:  
            i += 1  
        while l[k] > piv and k >= start and k >= i:  
            k -= 1  
  
        if k > i: # swap elements  
            (l[i], l[k]) = (l[k], l[i])  
  
    (l[start], l[k]) = (l[k], l[start])  
    quicksort(l, start, k - 1)  
    quicksort(l, k + 1, end)
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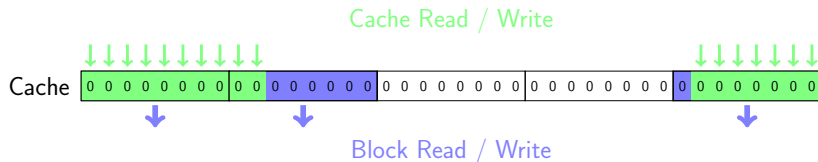


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def solve(problem):  
    if n < threshold:  
        return solution # solve directly  
    else:  
        # divide problem into subproblems  
        # P1, P2, ..., Pk with k>=2  
        S1 = solve(P1)  
        S2 = solve(P2)  
        ...  
        Sk = solve(Pk)  
  
        # combine solutions  
        return S1 + S2 + ... + Sk
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Application:

- ▶ Maximum profit of buying and selling shares



Figure: Stock value over time

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Example - Maximum Subtotal - Python

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        for j in range(i, len(X)):  
            subSum = 0  
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    for i in range(0, len(X)):  
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            subSum = sum(X[i:j+1])  
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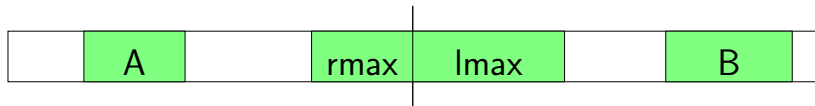
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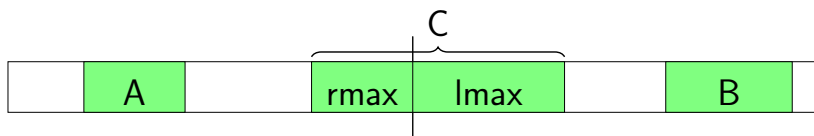
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def maxSubArray(X, i, j):  
    if i == j: # trivial case  
        return (X[i], i, i)  
  
    # recursive subsolutions for A, B  
    m = (i + j) / 2  
    A = maxSubArray(X, i, m)  
    B = maxSubArray(X, m + 1, j)  
  
    # rmax and lmax for corner case C  
    C1, C2 = rmax(X, i, m), lmax(X, m + 1, j)  
    C = (C1[0] + C2[0], C1[1], C2[1])  
  
    # compute solution from results A, B, C  
    return max([A, B, C], key=lambda i: i[0])
```

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