

Map Pattern

Parallel Computing
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Mapping

□ "Do the same thing many times"

```
foreach i in foo:
do something
```

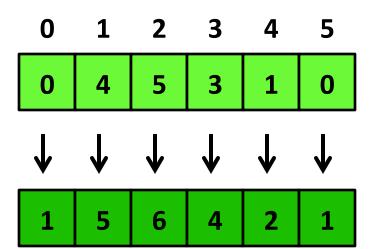
□ Well-known higher order function in languages like ML, Haskell, Scala

$$map: \forall ab.(a \rightarrow b) List \langle a \rangle \rightarrow List \langle b \rangle$$

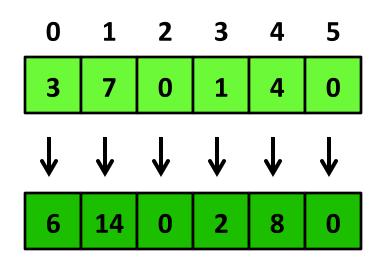
applies a function each element in a list and returns a list of results

Example Maps





Double every item in an array



Key Point: An operation is a map if it can be applied to each element without knowledge of neighbors.

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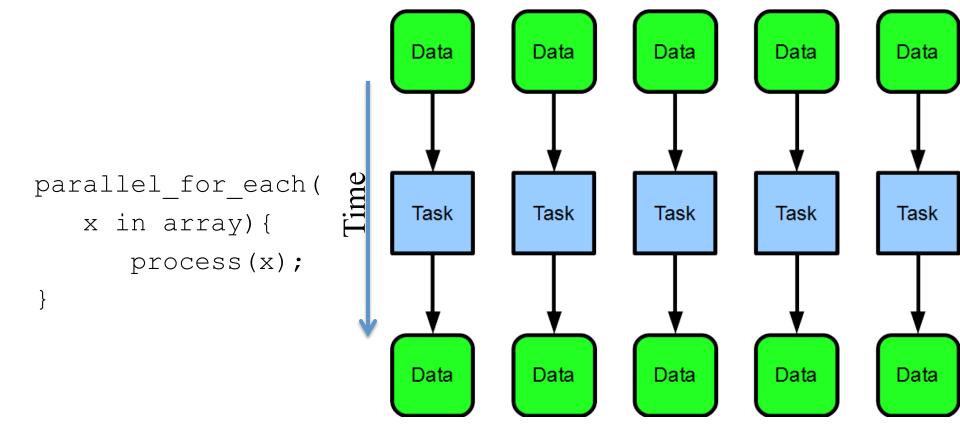
Embarrassingly Parallel

Independence is a big win. We can run map completely in parallel. Significant speedups! More precisely: $T(\infty)$ is O(1) plus implementation overhead that is $O(\log n)...$ so $T(\infty) \in O(\log n)$.

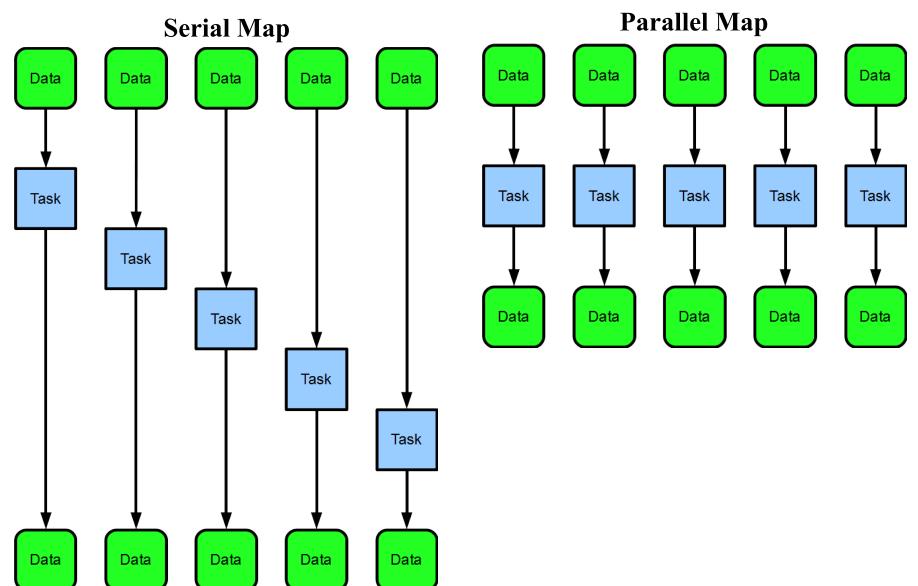
Sequential Map

```
Data
                                                           Data
                                                                     Data
                                                                               Data
                                                                                        Data
                                                  Task
for (int n=0;
      n< array.length;</pre>
                                                            Task
      ++n) {
                                                                     Task
              process(array[n]);
                                                                               Task
                                                                                        Task
                                                  Data
                                                           Data
                                                                     Data
                                                                               Data
                                                                                        Data
```

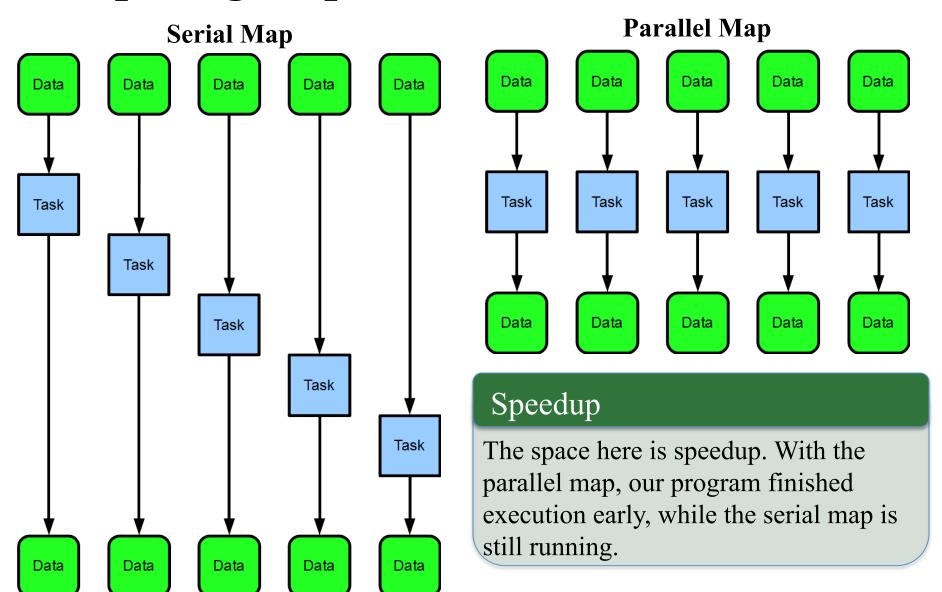
Parallel Map



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Warning: No shared state!

Map function should be "pure" (or "pure-ish") and should not modify shared states

- □ Modifying shared state breaks perfect independence
- □ Results of accidentally violating independence:
 - o non-determinism
 - o data-races
 - undefined behavior
 - o segfaults

Implementation and API

- □ OpenMP and CilkPlus contain a parallel *for* language construct
- □ Map is a mode of use of parallel **for**
- □ TBB uses **higher order functions** with lambda expressions/"funtors"
- □ Some languages (CilkPlus, Matlab, Fortran) provide **array notation** which makes some maps more concise

Array Notation

A[:] = A[:]*5;

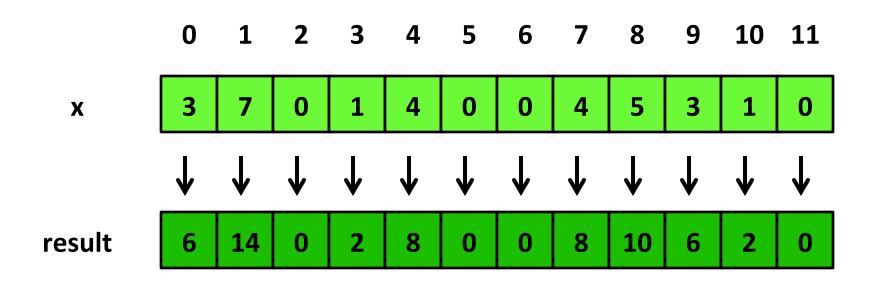
is CilkPlus array notation for "multiply every element in A by 5"

Unary Maps

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So far we have only dealt with mapping over a single collection...

Map with 1 Input, 1 Output



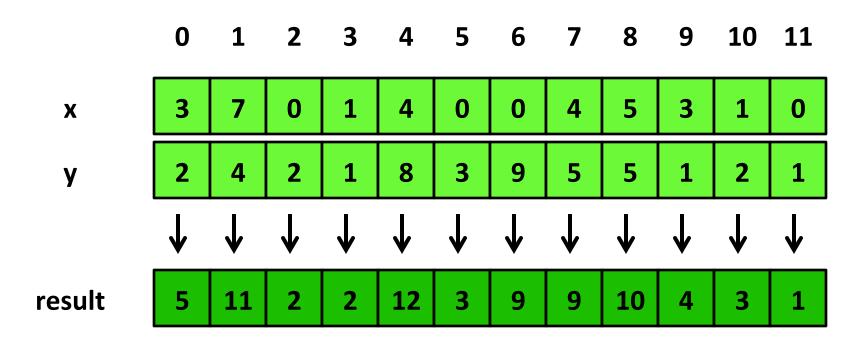
```
int oneToOne ( int x[11] ) {
    return x*2;
}
```

N-ary Maps

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But, sometimes it makes sense to map over multiple collections at once...

Map with 2 Inputs, 1 Output

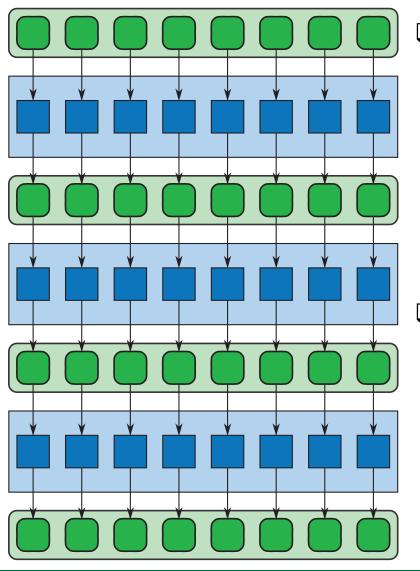


```
int twoToOne ( int x[11], int y[11] ) {
    return x+y;
}
```

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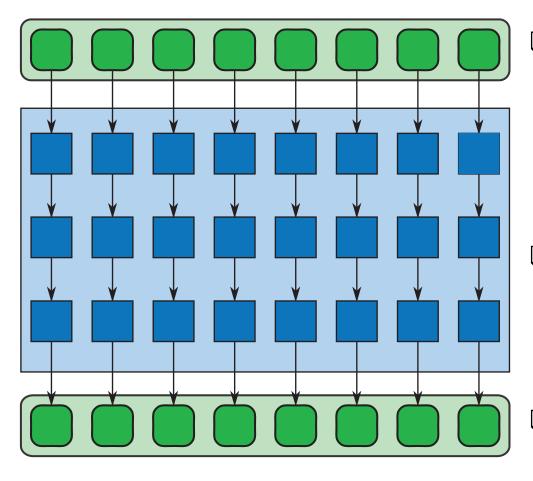
Sequences of Maps



- Often several map operations occur in sequence
 - Vector math consists of many small operations such as additions and multiplications applied as maps
- □ A naïve implementation may write each intermediate result to memory, wasting memory BW and likely overwhelming the cache

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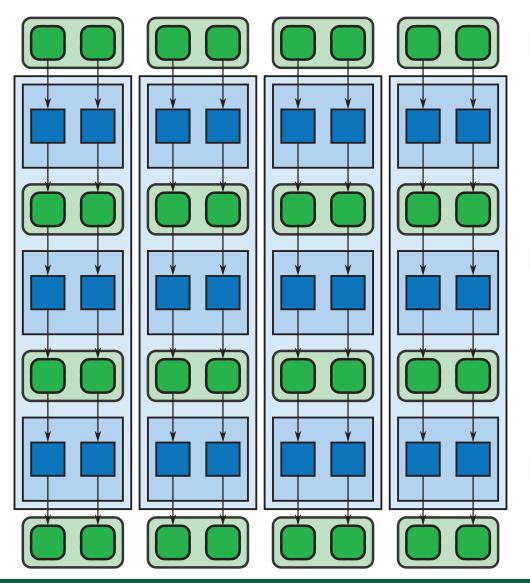


- □ Can sometimes

 "fuse" together the
 operations to perform
 them at once
- □ Adds arithmetic intensity, reduces memory/cache usage
- □ Ideally, operations can be performed using registers alone

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Cache Fusion



- □ Sometimes impractical to fuse together the map operations
- □ Can instead break the work into blocks,
 giving each CPU one block at a time
- □ Hopefully, operations use cache alone

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Overview

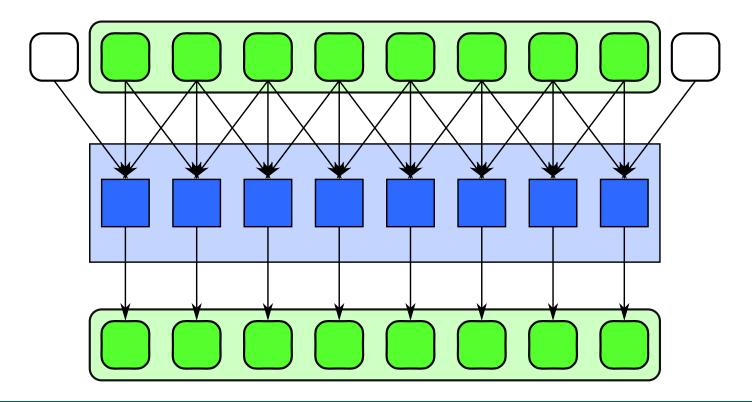
Three patterns related to map are discussed here:

- Stencil
- Workpile
- Divide-and-Conquer

They will be discussed more in detail in a later lecture.

Stencil

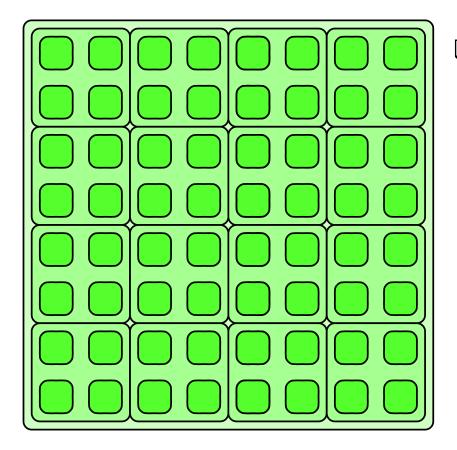
- □ Each instance of the map function accesses neighbors of its input, offset from its usual input
- □ Common in imaging and PDE solvers



Workpile

- □ Work items can be added to the map while it is in progress, from inside map function instances
- □ Work grows and is consumed by the map
- □ Workpile pattern terminates when no more work is available

Divide-and-Conquer



□ Applies if a problem can be divided into smaller subproblems recursively until a base case is reached that can be solved serially

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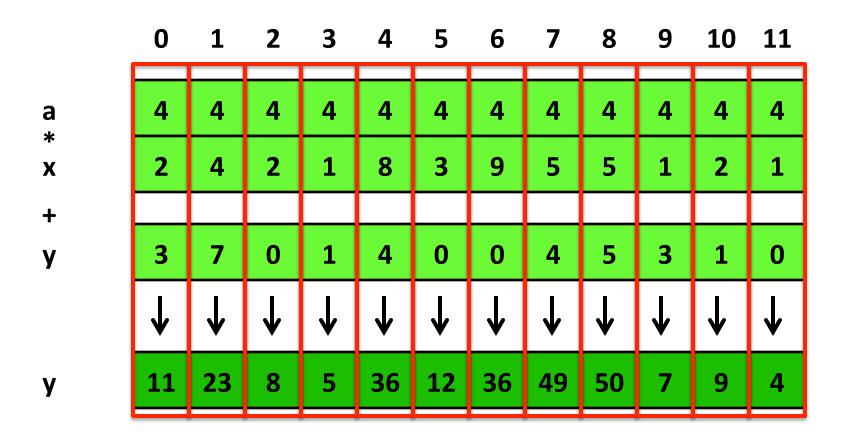
Problem Description

- $\Box y \leftarrow ax + y$
 - Scales vector x by a and adds it to vector y
 - Result is stored in input vector y
- □ Comes from the BLAS (Basic Linear Algebra Subprograms) library
- □ Every element in vector x and vector y are independent

Visual: $y \leftarrow ax + y$

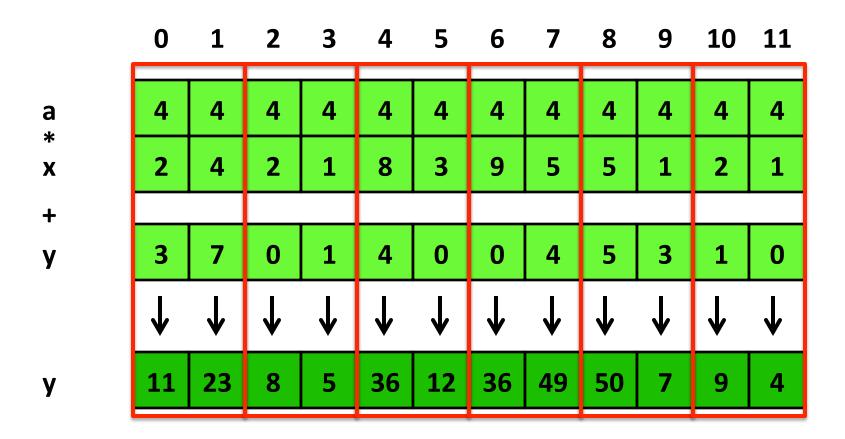
10 11 a * X + y y

Visual: $y \leftarrow ax + y$



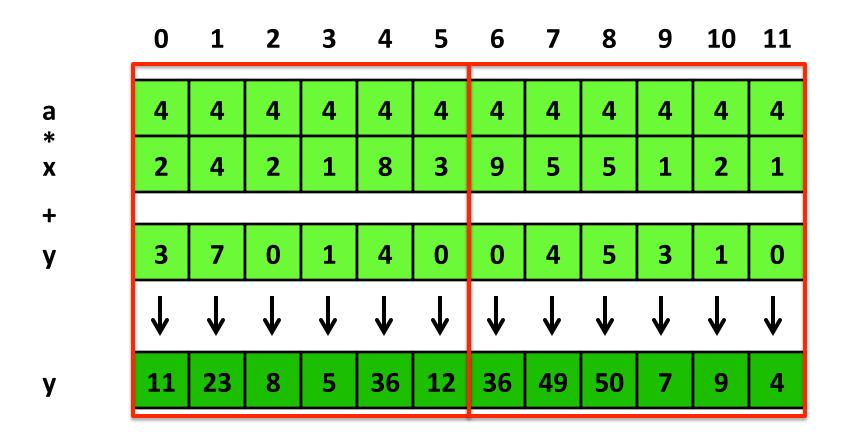
Twelve processors used \rightarrow one for each element in the vector

Visual: $y \leftarrow ax + y$



Six processors used \rightarrow one for every two elements in the vector

Visual:
$$y \leftarrow ax + y$$



Two processors used \rightarrow one for every six elements in the vector

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Serial SAXPY Implementation

TBB SAXPY Implementation

```
void saxpy_tbb(
       int n, // the number of elements in the vectors
       float a, // scale factor
      float x[], // the first input vector
       float y[] // the output vector and second input vector
       tbb::parallel_for(
          tbb::blocked_range<int>(0, n),
          [&](tbb::blocked_range<int> r) {
             for (size_t i = r.begin(); i != r.end(); ++i)
10
                 y[i] = a * x[i] + y[i];
11
12
13
14
```

Cilk Plus SAXPY Implementation

```
void saxpy_cilk(
      int n, // the number of elements in the vectors
      float a, // scale factor
3
      float x[], // the first input vector
  float y[] // the output vector and second input vector
      cilk_for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i)
          y[i] = a * x[i] + y[i];
```

OpenMP SAXPY Implentation

```
void saxpy_openmp(
       int n, // the number of elements in the vectors
      float a, // scale factor
 float x[], // the first input vector
      float y[] // the output vector and second input vector
6
   #pragma omp parallel for
       for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i)
          y[i] = a * x[i] + y[i];
10
```