



# Parallel Basic Blocks and Flattening Nested Parallelism

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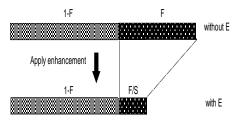
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#### Amdahl's Law



Enhancement accelerates a fraction F of the task by a factor S:

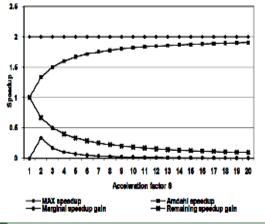
$$T_{\text{exe}}(\text{with}E) = T_{\text{exe}}(\text{without}E) \times [(1-F) + \frac{F}{S}]$$

Speedup(E) = 
$$\frac{T_{exe}(withoutE)}{T_{exe}(withE)} = \frac{1}{(1-F) + \frac{F}{S}}$$



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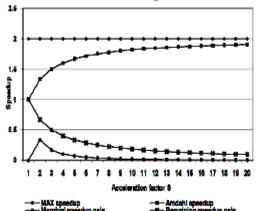
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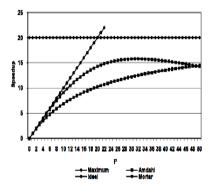
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- every increment of S consumes new resources and is less rewarding:
- $S = 2 \Rightarrow 33\%$  speedup.
- $S = 5 \Rightarrow 6.67\%$  speedup.



#### Amdahl's Law: Parallel Speedup

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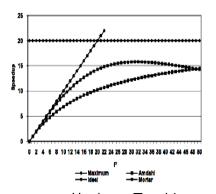
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Hardware Trend is to ever increase the number of cores.

Amdhal's Law: reason about parallelism asymptotically ( $\infty$  # cores) i.e., systematically exploit all levels of application's parallelism.



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## Parallel Random Access Machine (PRAM)

PRAM focuses exclusively on parallelism and ignores issues related to synchronization and communication:

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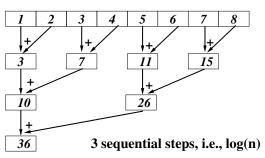
• Work Time Algorithm (WT):

- Work Complexity W(n): is the total # of ops performed,
- Depth/Step Complexity D(n): is the # of sequential steps.
- If we know WT's work and depth,
   PE1023 then Brent Theorem gives good complexity bounds for a PRAM

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#### Reducing in Parallel



Reducing an array of length n with n/2 processors requires:

- work W(n) = n and
- depth  $D(n) = lg \ n$ , i.e., number of sequential steps.
- optimized runtime with P processors:  $O(\frac{n}{P} + \lg P)$ .

#### Theorem (Brent Theorem)

A Work-Time Algorithm of depth D(n) and work W(n) can be simulated on a P-processor PRAM in time complexity T such that:

$$\frac{W(n)}{P} \le T < \frac{W(n)}{P} + D(n)$$



## Reduce: Algorithm and Complexity

```
Input: array A of n=2^k elems of type T
          \oplus : T \times T \rightarrow T associative
Output: S = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n} a_i
   forall i = 0 to n-1 do
    B[i] \leftarrow A[i]
3.
    enddo
    for h = 1 to k do
       forall i = 0 to n-1 by 2^h do
         B[i] \leftarrow B[i] \oplus B[i+2^{h-1}]
6.
7.
       enddo
8.
    enddo
    S ← B[0]
```

• 
$$D_{1-3}(n) = \Theta(1), W_{1-3}(n) = \Theta(n),$$

• 
$$D_{5-7}(n) = \Theta(1),$$
  
 $W_{5-7}(n,h) = \Theta(n/2^h),$ 

• 
$$D_{4-8}(n) = k \times D_{5-7}(n) = \Theta(\lg n)$$

• 
$$W_{4-8}(n) = \sum_{h=1}^{k} W_{5-7}(n,h) = \Theta(\sum_{h=1}^{k} (n/2^h)) = \Theta(n)$$

• 
$$D_9(n) = \Theta(1), W_9(n) = \Theta(1),$$

• 
$$D(n) = \Theta(\lg n), W(n) = \Theta(n)!$$

$$O(\frac{n}{P}) \le O(Runtime) < O(\frac{n}{P} + \lg n)$$

Note that the program is hardware-agnostic, i.e., has no notion of the number of cores.

## Reduce: Naive Implementation in Futhark

```
— Reduction by hand in Futhark: red-by-hand.fut
— entry: futharkRed naiveRed
— compiled input \{ [1.0 \, f32, -2.0, 3.0, 1.0] \}
— output \{ 3.0 \, f32 \}
— compiled random input { [33554432]f32 } auto output
entry naiveRed [n] (a : [n] f32) : f32 = — assumes n = 2^k
  let k = i64.f32 < | f32.log2 < | f32.i64 n
  let b =
    loop b = a for h < k do
        let n' = n >> (h+1)
        in map (\ i -> b[2*i]+b[2*i+1]) (iota n')
  in b[0]
entry futharkRed [n] (a : [n] f32) : f32 =
  reduce (+) 0.0 f32 a
```



## Compiling and Profiling: Reduce Implem in Futhark

Performance w.r.t. the native reduce?

#### Benchmark with:

```
$ futhark bench — backend=cuda — e naiveRed red—by—hand.fut
```

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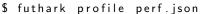
#### OR Compile and Run with (every command is on one line please):

```
$ futhark cuda red-by-hand.fut
```

```
\ futhark dataset — f32-bounds = -1.0:1.0 -g [8388608] f32 -b | ./red-by-hand — entry-point=naiveRed -t /dev/stderr -r 10
```

#### OR survey profile info with (every command is on one line please):

```
$ futhark bench — backend=cuda red-by-hand.fut 
-P — json=perf.json
```



\$ more perf.prof/naiveRed/\[33554432\] **f32**.summary



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```
• zip : [n]\alpha_1 \rightarrow [n]\alpha_2 \rightarrow [n](\alpha_1,\alpha_2)
```

• zip 
$$[a_1,...,a_n]$$
  $[b_1,...,b_n] \equiv [(a_1,b_1),...,(a_n,b_n)],$ 



- zip :  $[n]\alpha_1 \to [n]\alpha_2 \to [n](\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ • zip  $[a_1, ..., a_n]$   $[b_1, ..., b_n] \equiv [(a_1, b_1), ..., (a_n, b_n)],$ • unzip :  $[n](\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \to ([n]\alpha_1, [n]\alpha_2)$ • unzip  $[(a_1, b_1), ..., (a_n, b_n)] \equiv ([a_1, ..., a_n], [b_1, ..., b_n]),$
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Note: in Haskell zip does not expect same-length arrays; in Futhark it does!

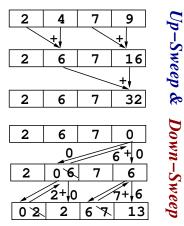


## Map, Reduce, and Scan Types and Semantics

- $[n]\alpha$  denotes the type of an array of n elements of type  $\alpha$ .
- map :  $(\alpha \to \beta) \to [n]\alpha \to [n]\beta$ map f  $[x_1, ..., x_n] = [f x_1, ..., f x_n]$ . i.e.,  $x_i : \alpha, \forall i$ , and  $f : \alpha \rightarrow \beta$ .
- reduce :  $(\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow [n]\alpha \rightarrow \alpha$ reduce  $\odot$  e  $[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] = e \odot x_1 \odot x_2 \odot \dots \odot x_n$ i.e.,  $e:\alpha$ ,  $x_i:\alpha, \forall i$ , and  $o:\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$ .
- $\operatorname{scan}^{\operatorname{exc}}: (\alpha \to \alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to [n]\alpha \to [n]\alpha$  $\operatorname{scan}^{exc} \odot \operatorname{e} [x_1, \dots, x_n] = [\operatorname{e}, \operatorname{e} \odot x_1, \dots, \operatorname{e} \odot x_1 \odot \dots x_{n-1}]$ i.e.,  $e:\alpha$ ,  $x_i:\alpha, \forall i$ , and  $o:\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \alpha$ .
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## Parallel Exclusive Scan with Associative Operator $\oplus$



#### Two Steps:

- Up-Sweep: similar with reduction
- Root is replaced with neutral element.
- Down-Sweep:
  - the left child sends its value to parent and updates its value to that of parent.
  - the right-child value is given by 
     applied to the left-child value and the (old) value of parent.
  - note that the right child is in fact the parent, i.e., in-place algorithm

## Parallel Exclusive Scan Algorithm And Complexity

```
Input: array A of n=2^k elems of type T
          \oplus :: T \times T \rightarrow T associative
Output: B = [0, a_1, a_1 \oplus a_2, \dots, \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n-1} a_i]
    forall i = 0 : n-1 do
    B[i] \leftarrow A[i]
2.
3.
     enddo
    for d = 0 to k-1 do // up-sweep
       forall i = 0 to n-1 by 2^{d+1} do
5.
          B[i+2^{d+1}-1] \leftarrow B[i+2^d -1] \oplus
6.
                            B[i+2^{d+1}-1]
7.
       enddo
8.
     enddo
     B[n-1] = 0
10. for d = k-1 downto 0 do // down-sweep
11.
      forall i = 0 to n-1 by 2^{d+1} do
       tmp \leftarrow B[i+2^d-1]
12.
```

 $B[i+2^d-1] \leftarrow B[i+2^{d+1}-1]$ 

 $B[i+2^{d+1}-1] \leftarrow tmp \oplus B[i+2^{d+1}-1]$ 

13.

enddo 16, enddo

14. 15.

- The code show exponentials for clarity, but those can be computed by one multiplication/division operation each sequential iteration.
- $D(n) = \Theta(\lg n), W(n) = \Theta(n)!$
- Similar reasoning as with reduce.



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Segmented Scan is Equivalent with Mapping a Scan op on each subarray of an irregular 2D array; hence it is a shape preserving op.

```
map (\a -> scan (+) 0 a) -- Flags & Flat Data Representation:

[[1,2,3],[1,2,3,4]] \equiv sgmScanInc (+) 0 [1,0,0,1,0,0,0] -- flag

[scan<sup>inc</sup> (+) 0 [1,2,3],

scan<sup>inc</sup> (+) 0 [1,2,3,4] \equiv \equiv [1,2,3,1,2,3,4] -- data

=

[[1,3,6], [1,3,6,10]] [1,3,6,1,3,6,10] -- scanne data
```

## Segmented Inclusive Scan with Operator ⊕ (Haskell)

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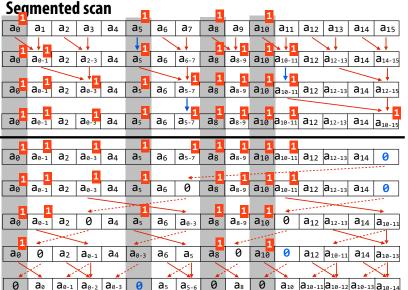
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## Segmented Exclusive Scan Alg And Complexity

```
Input: flag array F of n=2^k of ints
          data array A of n=2^k elems of type T
          \oplus :: T \times T \to T associative
Output: B = segmented scan of 2-dim array A
    FORALL i = 0 to n-1 do B[i] \leftarrow A[i] ENDDO
2. FOR d = 0 to k-1 DO // up-sweep
       FORALL i = 0 to n-1 by 2^{d+1} DO
3.
         IF F[i+2^{d+1}-1] == 0 THEN
4.
              B[i+2^{d+1}-1] \leftarrow B[i+2^{d}-1] \oplus B[i+2^{d+1}-1]
6.
         ENDIF
         F[i+2^{d+1}-1] \leftarrow F[i+2^{d}-1] \cdot | \cdot F[i+2^{d+1}-1]
7.
8.
    ENDDO ENDDO
    B[n-1] \leftarrow 0
10. FOR d = k-1 downto 0 D0 // down-sweep
       FORALL i = 0 to n-1 by 2^{d+1} DO
11.
12.
         tmp \leftarrow B[i+2^d-1]
         IF F_original[i+2<sup>d</sup>] \neq 0 THEN
13.
                B[i+2^{d+1}-1] \leftarrow 0
14.
       ELSE IF F[i+2<sup>d</sup>-1] \neq 0 THEN
15.
                B[i+2^{d+1}-1] \leftarrow tmp
16.
          ELSE B[i+2^{d+1}-1] \leftarrow tmp \oplus B[i+2^{d+1}-1]
17.
18.
         ENDIF
          F[i+2^{d+1}-1] \leftarrow 0
19.
20. ENDDO ENDDO
```

- While there are more branches, the asymptotics does not change:
- $D(n) = \Theta(\lg n)$ ,  $W(n) = \Theta(n)!$



Equiv with Mapping a Scan op on each segment of an irregular array.

```
map (\a -> scan (+) 0 a)
[[1,2,3],[1,2,3,4]]
\equiv
[ scan^{inc} (+) 0 [1,2,3], scan^{inc} (+) 0 [1,2,3,4] ]
\equiv
[ [1,3,6], [1,3,6,10] ]
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  scan^{inc} (+) 0 [1,2,3,4] ]
                                            [1,3,6,1,3,6,10]
                                                                    -- scanned data
[ [1.3.6], [1.3.6.10] ]
 Can be obtained by replacing the following Futhark operator:
  let segmented_scan [n] 't (op: t \rightarrow t \rightarrow t) (ne: t)
                                (flags: [n]bool) (arr: [n]t) : [n]t =
    let (\_, res) = unzip < |
```

```
scan ((x_flag,x) (y_flag,y) ->
         let fl = ???
         let vl = ???
         in (fl, vl)
```

) (false, ne) (zip flags arr)



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             (arr: [n]t) : [n]t =
  let (\_, res) = unzip < |
    scan ((x_flag,x) (y_flag,y) ->
              let fl = x_flag \mid v_flag
              let vl = if y_flag then y
                                   else op x y
              in (fl, vl)
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#### Map2, Filter

- map2 :  $(\alpha_1 \to \alpha_2 \to \beta) \to [n] \alpha_1 \to [n] \alpha_2 \to [n] \beta$
- $\bullet \text{ map2 } \odot \text{ [a}_1, \dots, a_n \text{] [b}_1, \dots, b_n \text{] } \equiv \text{ [a}_1 \odot b_1, \dots, a_n \odot b_n \text{]}$
- map3 ...



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- map2  $\odot$  [a<sub>1</sub>,...,a<sub>n</sub>] [b<sub>1</sub>,...,b<sub>n</sub>]  $\equiv$  [a<sub>1</sub> $\odot$ b<sub>1</sub>,...,a<sub>n</sub> $\odot$ b<sub>n</sub>]
- map3 ...
- filter :  $(\alpha \to Bool) \to [n] \alpha \to [m] \alpha$  (where m  $\leq$  n)
- filter p  $[a_1, \ldots, a_n] = [a_{k_1}, \ldots, a_{k_m}]$  such that  $k_1 < k_2 < \ldots < k_m$ , and denoting by  $\overline{k} = k_1, \ldots, k_m$ , we have  $(p \ a_j == true) \ \forall \ j \in \overline{k}$ , and  $(p \ a_j == false) \ \forall \ j \notin \overline{k}$ .

Note: in Haskell map2, map3 do not expect same-length arrays; in Futhark they do!



## Filter (Blank)



## Scatter: A Parallel Write Operator

Scatter updates in parallel a base array with a set of values at specified indices:

```
scatter : *[m]\alpha \rightarrow [n] \text{int} \rightarrow [n]\alpha \rightarrow *[m]\alpha

A (data vector) = [b0, b1, b2, b3]

I (index vector) = [2, 4, 1, -1]

X (input array) = [a0, a1, a2, a3, a4, a5]

scatter X | A = [a0, b2, b0, a3, b1, a5]
```



# Scatter: A Parallel Write Operator

Scatter updates in parallel a base array with a set of values at specified indices:

```
scatter: *[m]\alpha \rightarrow [n] \text{int} \rightarrow [n]\alpha \rightarrow *[m]\alpha

A (data vector) = [b0, b1, b2, b3]

I (index vector) = [2, 4, 1, -1]

X (input array) = [a0, a1, a2, a3, a4, a5]

scatter X I A = [a0, b2, b0, a3, b1, a5]
```

```
scatter has D(n) = \Theta(1) and W(n) = \Theta(n), i.e., requires n update operations (n is the size of I or A, not of X!).
```

- 1 Array X is consumed by scatter; following uses of X are illegal!
- 2 Similarly, X can alias neither I nor A!

In Futhark, scatter checks and ignores the indices that are out of bounds (no update is performed on those). This is useful for padding the iteration space in order to obtain regular parallelism.

## Permute, Split, Replicate, Iota

• Operator to permute in parallel based on a set (array) of indices: permute :  $[n]int \rightarrow [n]\alpha \rightarrow [n]\alpha$ . permute I A = scatter (replicate n e) I A

```
A (data vector) = [a0, a1, a2, a3, a4, a5]
I (index vector) = [3, 2, 0, 4, 1, 5]
permute | A = [a2, a4, a1, a0, a3, a5]
```

- split : (i:int)  $\rightarrow$  [n] $\alpha \rightarrow$  ([i] $\alpha$ , [n-i] $\alpha$ ) split i  $[a_0,...,a_{n-1}] \equiv ([a_0,...,a_{i-1}], [a_i,...,a_{n-1}])$
- replicate : (n:int)  $\rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow [n]\alpha$ replicate n = [a, a, ..., a], i.e., a is replicated n times.
- iota :  $(n:int) \rightarrow [n]int$ iota  $n = [0, \dots, n-1]$



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(3) subtract one from each element:

$$isT = [-1,0, 1, 1, 1, 2]$$

• steps (2) & (3) equivalent with an exclusive scan.



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                                               i = 3
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                                                ffs = [1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0]
                            else 1) cs
                                                isF = [4, 4, 4, 5, 6, 6]
```

flags = [3, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0]
Result = [4, 2, 8, 5, 3, 7]

inds= [3, 0, 1, 4, 5, 2]

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See also "Scan as Primitive Parallel Operation" [Bleelloch].

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```
int res[n] = {0, 0, 1, 1, 1, ..., 1}
for(i = 2; i <= sqrt(n); i++) {    //sequential
    if ( res[i] != 0 ) {
        forall m ∈ multiples of i ≤ n do {
            res[m] = 0;
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

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Because a non-prime number has to have a multiple less than  $\sqrt{n}$ .



# Sieve: Illustrating the Computation for n = 9

```
Indices:
Initially: res = [0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]
Iter i = 2 zeroes out multiples of 2
           res = [0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1]
Iter i = 3 zeroes out multiples of 3
           res = [0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0]
```

Loop ends

The prime numbers are the indices of the 1 elements:  $\{2,3,5,7\}$ 



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```
let primesHelp [np1] (sq : i64)
                                            a = [0,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1]
        (a : *[np1]i32) : [np1]i32 =
let n = np1 - 1 in
                                            iteration j = 0, i = 2
loop(a) for j < (sq-1) do
                                                 = (9 'div' 2) - 1 = 3
   let i = i + 2
                                            inds = [4, 6, 8]
   let m = (n / i) - 1
                                            vals = [0, 0, 0]
   let inds= map (\k->(k+2)*i)(iota\ m)
                                            a' = [0,0,1,1,0,1,0,1,0,1]
   in scatter a inds (replicate m 0)
                                            iteration j = 1, i = 3
let main (n : i64) : []i64 =
                                            m = (9 'div' 3) - 1 = 2
  let a = map (\idesign i) == 0 | i == 1
                                            inds = [6.9]
                    then 0 else 1)
                                            vals = [0, 0]
               (iota (n+1))
                                            a'' = [0.0.1.1.0.1.0.1.0.0]
  let sq= i64.f64 (f64.sqrt (f64.i64 n))
  let fl = primesHelp sq a
                                            iteration j = 2: loop ends.
  in filter (i\rightarrow \#[unsafe] fl[i]!=0)
                                            result: [0,0,1,1,0,1,0,1,0,0]
              (iota (n+1))
                                            after filter: [2,3,5,7]
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  else
   let sqrtN = floor (sqrt (fromIntegral n))
       sgrt_primes = primesOpt sgrtN
       nested = map (\p->let m = (n 'div' p)
                         in map (\j-> j*p)
                                  [2..m]
                    ) sqrt_primes
       not_primes = reduce (++) [] nested
       mm = length not_primes
       zeros = replicate mm False
       prime_flags=scatter(replicate (n+1) True)
                             not_primes zeros
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```

\$ (zip [0..n] prime\_flags)



returns [2,3,5,7] Sept 2025

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  if n \le 2 then [2]
                                                 call primesOpt 3
 else
                                                 n = 3,sqrtN = 1,sqrt_primes=[2]
   let sqrtN = floor (sqrt (fromIntegral n))
                                                 nested = [[]]; not_primes = []
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                                                 primes = [0,1,2,3]; returns [2,3]
                                 [2..m]
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                                                 return from primesOpt3,
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       zeros = replicate mm False
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```

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   if (length arr) <= 1 then arr else
   let i = getRand (0, (length arr) - 1)
        a = arr !! i
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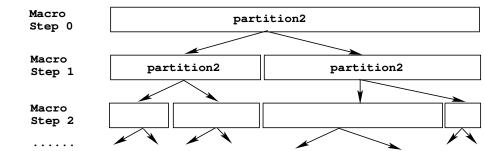
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Assume input array [3,2,4,1]
Assume random i = 0 \Rightarrow a = 3
s1 = [2,1]
s2 = [3,4]
nestedQuicksort [2,1]:
i = 0, a = 2
s1 = \lceil 1 \rceil
s2 = [2]
results in [1]++[2]==[1.2]
nestedQuicksort [3,4]: ...
results in [3.4]
```

After recursion concat: [1.2] ++ [3.4] = [1.2.3.4]

Denoting by n the size of the input array: Average Work is  $O(n \lg N)$ . If filter would have depth 1, then Average Depth:  $O(\lg n)$ . In practice we have depth:  $O(\lg^2 n)$ .

# **Quicksort: Illustrating Flat-Parallel Execution**





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#### **Flatenning**

#### Simple and incomplete recipe for flattening:

- Normalize the program (think 3-address form);
- Il Start distributing outer-maps across its containing let-binding statements;
- III Whenever the body of the map is exactly a map, or a reduce, or a scan, or a iota, or a replicate, etc., apply the corresponding re-write rule.

The intent is to present the gist of flattening, not the full transformation, which is complex and tedious. For example, we do not give the rewrite rules for the cases when the map contains a loop or an if-then-else expression, which themselves contain inner parallelism. Finally, we do not discuss the rules for handling divide-and-conquer recursion.

```
let arr = [1, 2, 3, 4] in
map (\i -> map (+(i+1)) (iota i)) arr
-- Result: [[2],[3,4],[4,5,6],[5,6,7,8]]
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            let iot = (iota i) in
            let ip1r= (replicate i ip1) in
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```
3. let ip1rs= \mathcal{F}(\text{map2} (\ i \ \text{ip1} \rightarrow \text{replicate i ip1}) \ \text{arr ip1s})
vals = scatter (replicate size 0) inds ip1s -- [2, 3, 0, 4, 0, 0, 5, 0, 0, 0]
ip1rs= sgmScan<sup>inc</sup> (+) 0 flag vals
                                                        -- [2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5]
```

#### According to rule (2) map nested inside a map

```
\mathcal{F}(\text{map2} (\land \text{ip1r iot} \rightarrow \text{map2} (+) \text{ip1r iot}) \text{ ip1rs iots})
\equiv
4. result = map (+) ip1rs iots
-- [2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5]
-- [0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2, 3]
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**becomes a segmented scan**, which requires a flag array as arg: (the shape of the result is the same as the shape of the input array)

```
sgmScan^{inc} (+) 0 [2, 0, 3, 0, 0] [1, 3, 2, 4, 6] \equiv [ 1, 4, 2, 6, 12 ]
```

The flag array [2, 0, 3, 0, 0] encodes the fact that the flat-data array [1, 3, 2, 4, 6] has two segments:

- one of length 2 starting at index 0
- one of length 3 starting at index 2

(i.e., an non-zero element in the flag array denotes the length of the segment that start at that point. )



# Nested vs Flattened Parallelism: Map inside a Map

#### (2) Map nested inside a map:

```
map (\row->map f row) [[1,3], [2,4,6]]

=
[ map f [1, 3], map f [2, 4, 6] ]

=
[ [f(1),f(3)], [f(2),f(4),f(6)] ]
```



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#### becomes a map on the flat array:

```
map f [1, 3, 2, 4, 6] \equiv [f(1), f(3), f(2), f(4), f(6)]
```

The flag array is assumed known and is preserved [2, 0, 3, 0, 0]



# How To Distribute the Segment Size?

Assume flag array: [2, 0, 3, 0, 0].

How do we get [2, 2, 3, 3, 3]?



# How To Distribute the Segment Size?

```
Assume flag array: [2, 0, 3, 0, 0].
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How do we get [2, 2, 3, 3, 3]?
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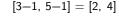
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We can pass the shape array as argument to the map as well, and return the neutral element if the segment length is 0.



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sqrt_primes = primesOpt (sqrt (fromIntegral n))
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                 let m = n 'div' p
                                       in -- distribute map
                 let mm1 = m - 1
                                         in
                                                  -- distribute map
                 let iot = iota mm1 in --\mathcal{F} rule 4
                 let twom= map (+2) iot in
                                                 -- \mathcal{F} rule 2
                                                 -- F rule 3
                 let rp = replicate mm1 p in
                 in map (\((j,p) -> j*p) (zip twom rp) -- \mathcal{F} rule 2
            ) sqrt_primes
not_primes = reduce (++) [] nested
                                               -- ignore, already flat
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Flattening PrimeOpt is part of Weekly Assignment 2!

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### **Recounting Quicksort**

#### Recount the classic nested-parallel definition:

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nestedQuicksort :: [a] -> [a]
nestedQuicksort arr =
  if (length arr) <= 1 then arr else
  let i = getRand (0, (length arr) - 1)
      a = arr !! i
      s1 = filter (\x -> (x < a)) arr
      s2 = filter (\x -> (x >= a)) arr
  in (nestedQuicksort s1) ++ (nestedQuicksort s2)
  -- can be re-written as:
  -- rs = map nestedQuicksort [s1, s2]
  -- in (rs !! 0) ++ (rs !! 1)
```



## **Normalizing Quicksort**

### Key Idea: write a function with the semantics of

map nestedQuicksort, i.e., it operates on array of arrays, and, for simplicity, use partition2 ::  $(\alpha \to Bool) \to [\alpha] \to ([\alpha], [Int])$ .

```
quicksort lift :: [[a]] -> [[a]]
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    map (\arr ->
        if (length arr) < 2 then arr else
        let i = getRand (0, (length arr) - 1)
            a = arr !! i
            (s, flag) = partition2 (<a) arr
            (s1, s2) = split flag[0] s
            rs = map nestedQuicksort [s1, s2] -- = quicksort lift [s1, s2]
        in concat rs
    ) arrofarrs</pre>
```

(length arr) < 2 will not work correctly if the input array has duplicated elements (?)

What should the result be of distributing the map over concat (map nestedQuicksort [s1,s2])?



# **Normalizing Quicksort**

- Try to distribute the outer map across the inner code;
- The recursion can be re-written as a loop in which the stopping condition is that the whole array is sorted; this can be expressed as a map-reduce composition;
- Distributing the outer map over concat (map nestedQuicksort [s1,s2]) results in quicksort lift being applied to a differently shaped array, i.e., twice as many segments as before.
- The difficult step is to flatten map (partition2).

