

Tech Talk 2: Dumb multithreading algorithms

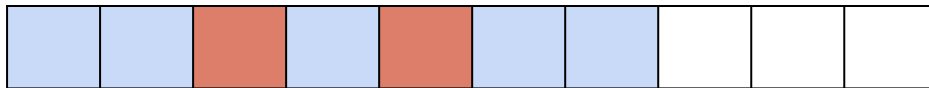
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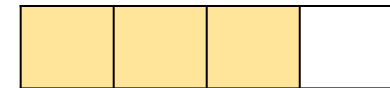
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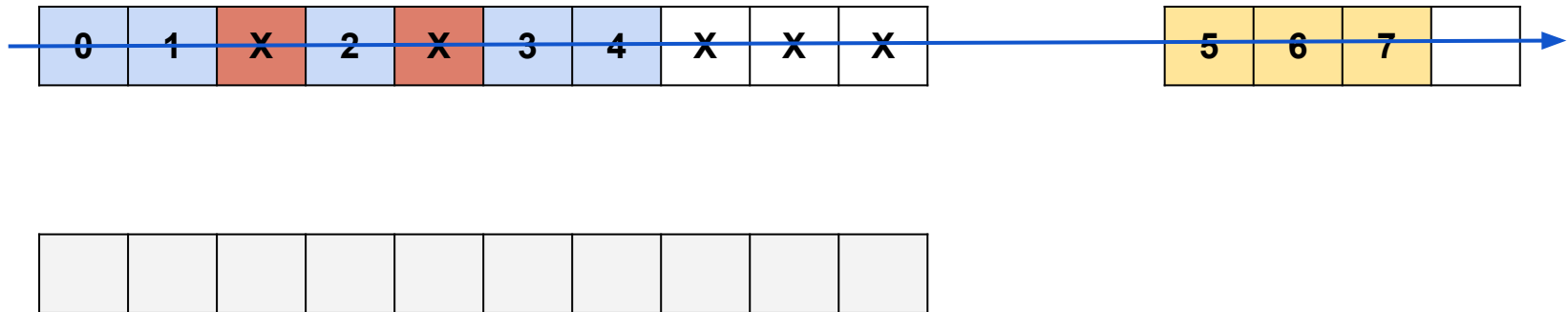
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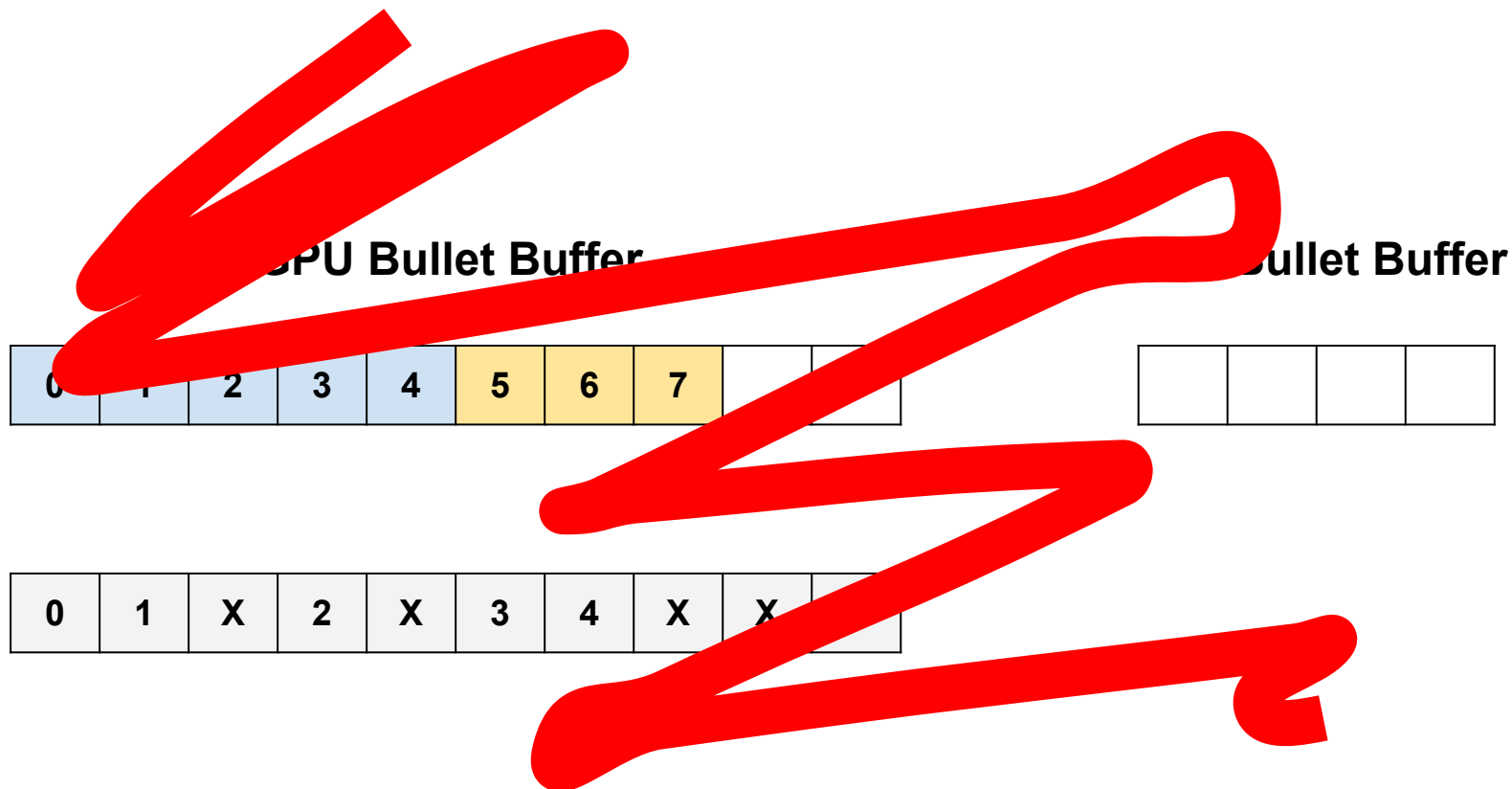
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- No more single-threading bottleneck (on GPU)
- No more duplicate memory

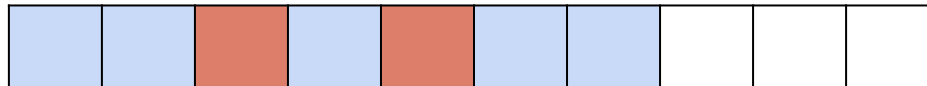
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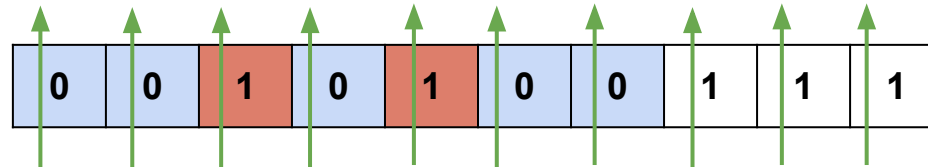
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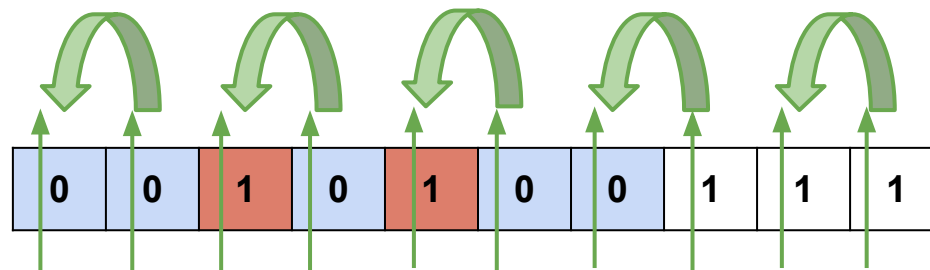
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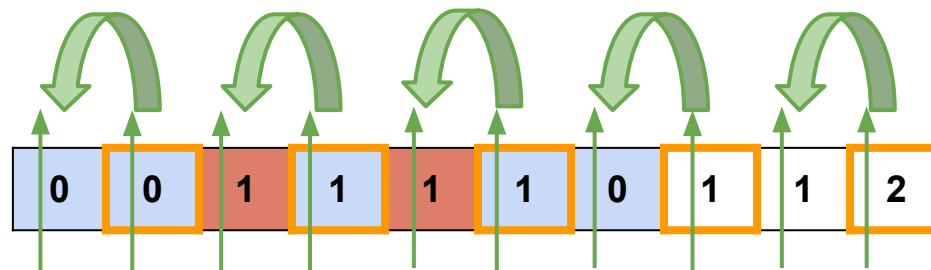
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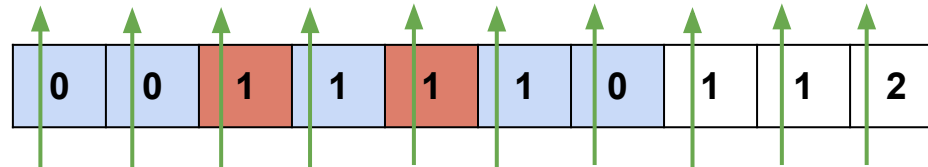
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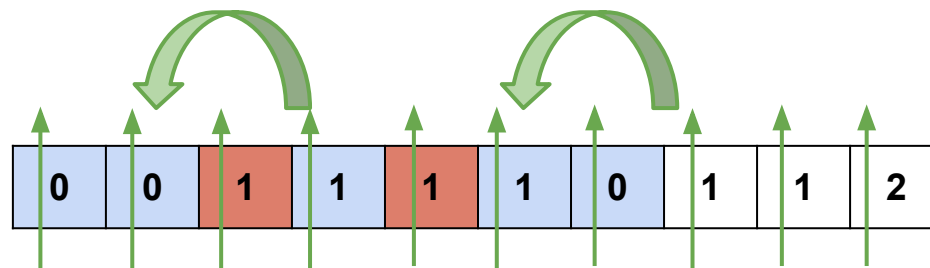
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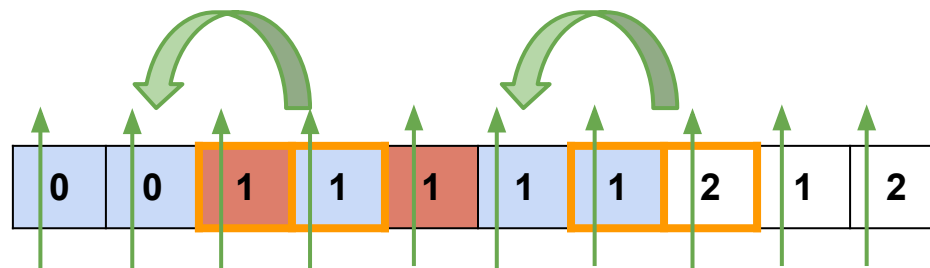
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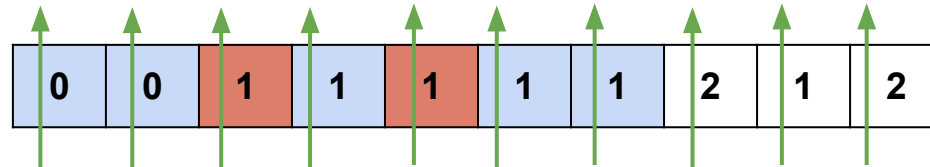
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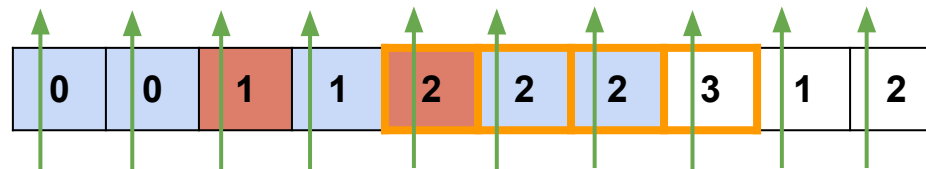
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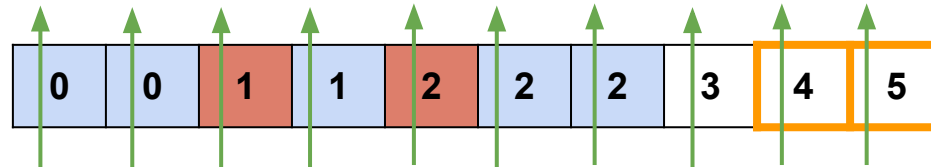
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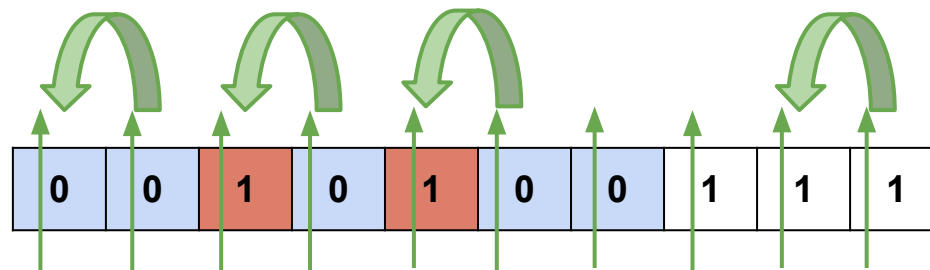


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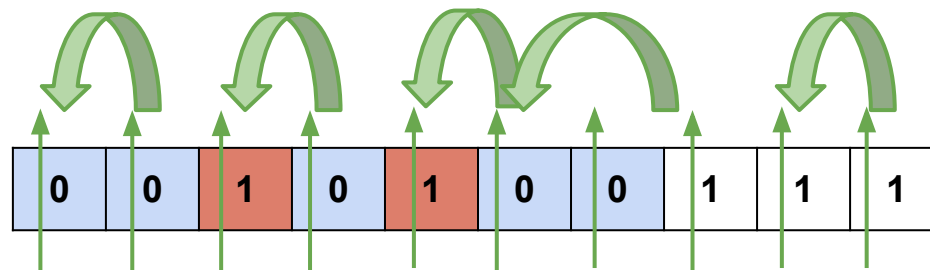


- Original Algorithm:
 - $O(n)$
- Multithread Algorithm:
 - $O(\log(n))$

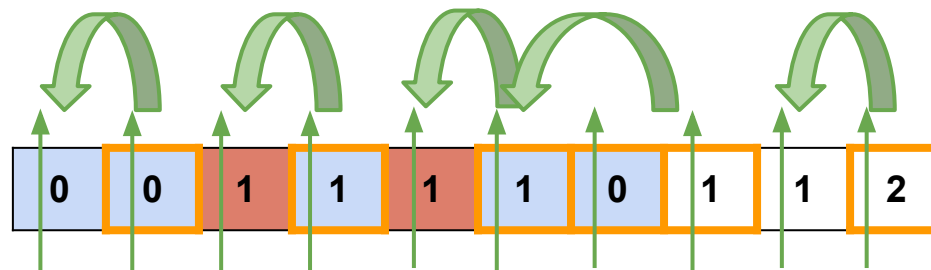
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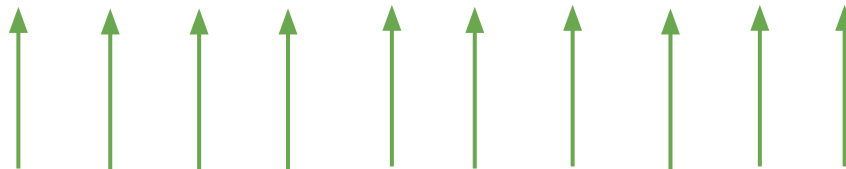
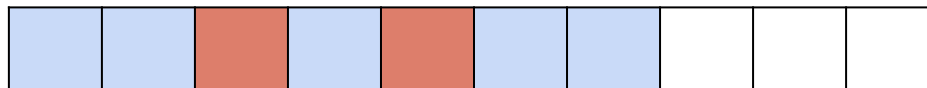
- Usage:

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__global__ foo(...){  
    loop1(...);  
    __syncthreads();  
    loop2(...);  
}
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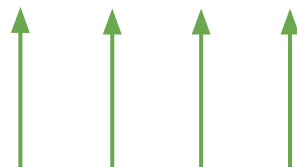
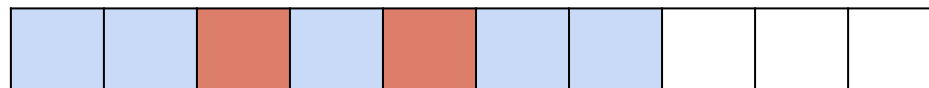
__syncthreads()

- Ensures all threads in a block will stop
- No effect outside of block
- Can cause deadlock if misused:
if(<non-trivial conditional>){
 __syncthreads(); //requires ALL threads to go
}

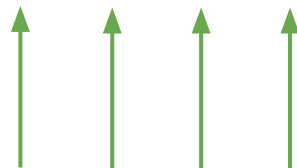
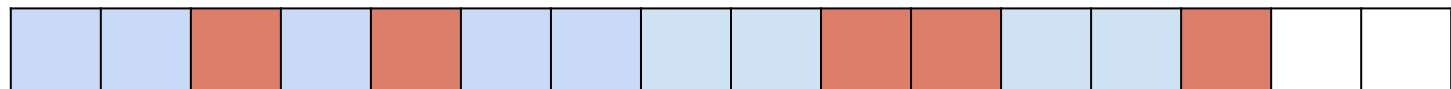
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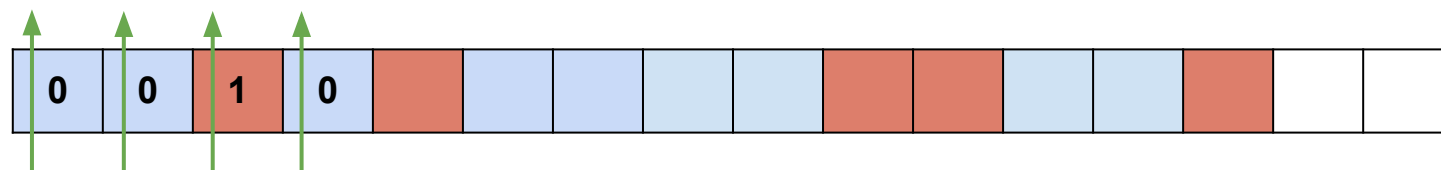
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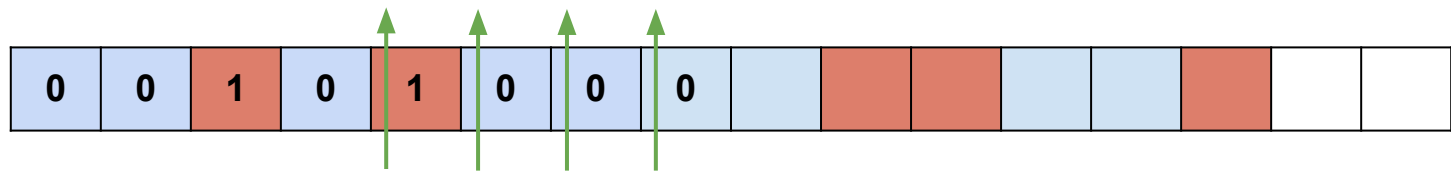
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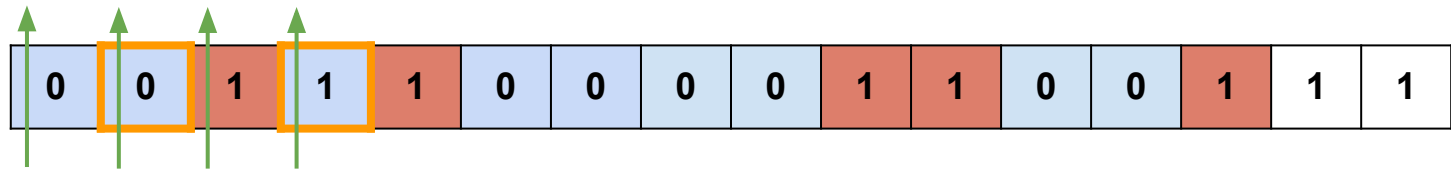
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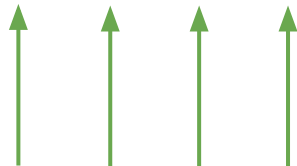
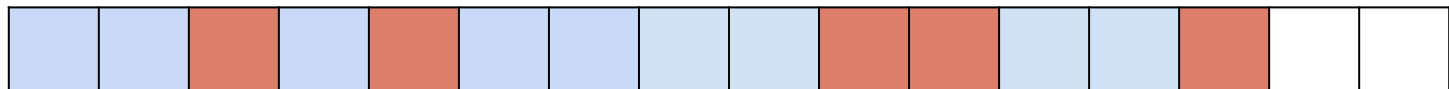
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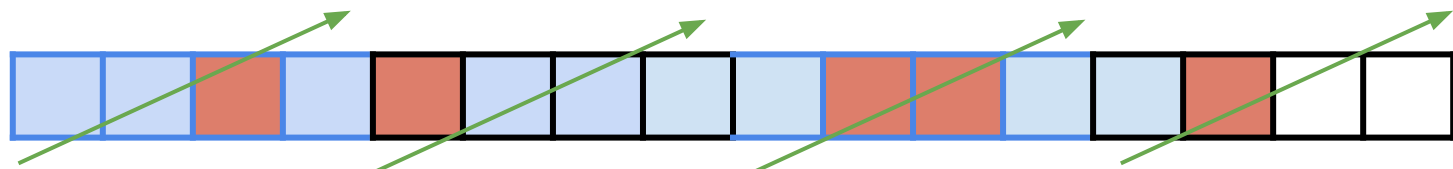
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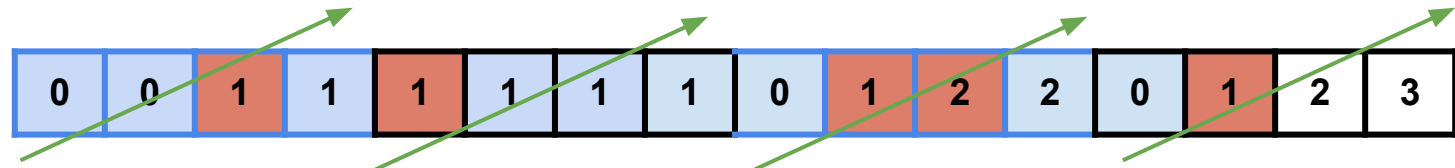
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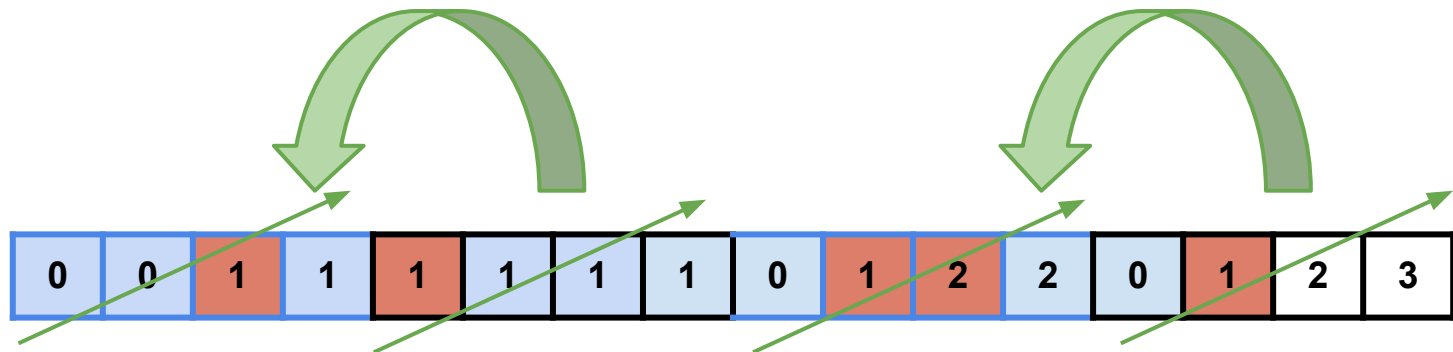
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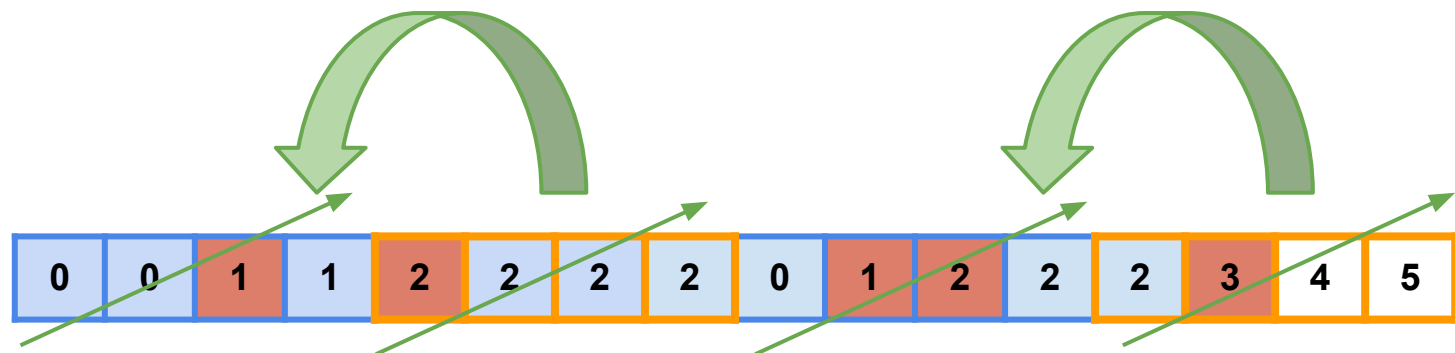
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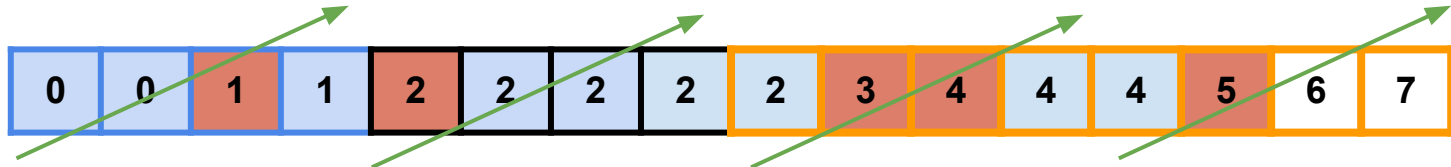
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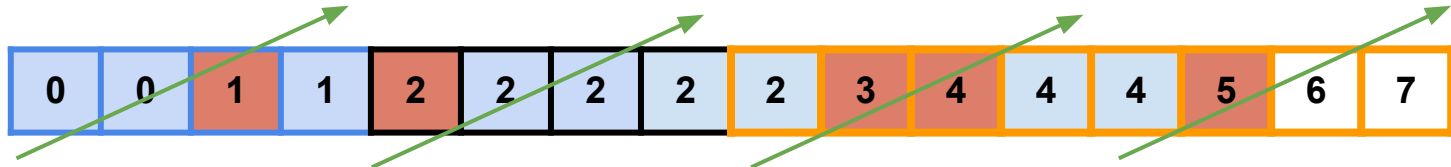
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$$O(N/K * \log(K))$$



$$O((\log(K)/K)*N)$$

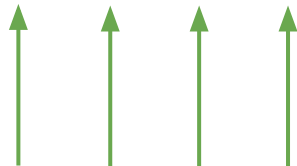


__syncthreads()

- Reorganizing an array in parallel safely

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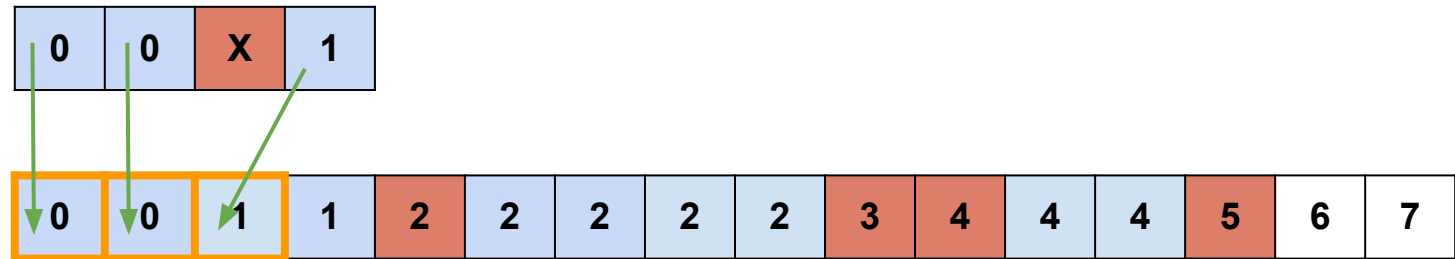


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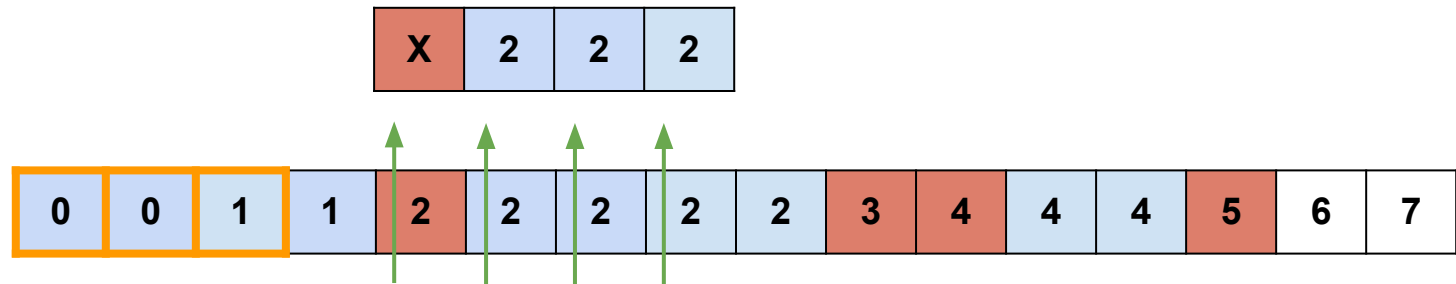
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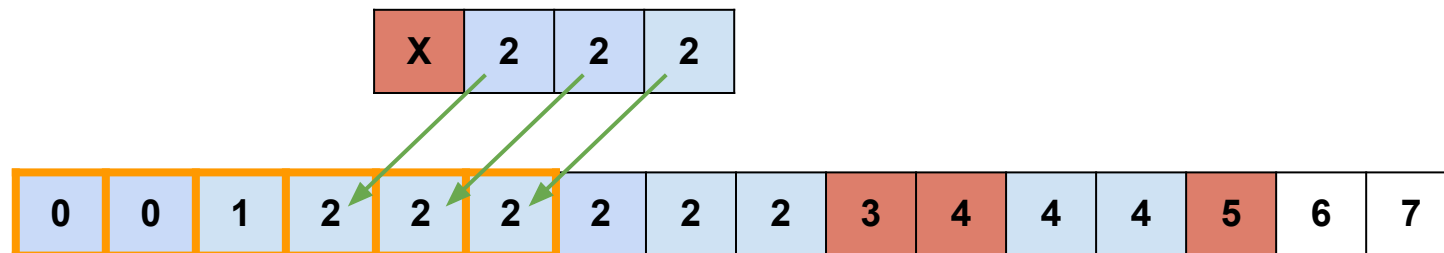
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