

Assignment AI 41403

- Title & problem statement: (a) Implement Parallel reduction using min, max, sum & average operators (b) write a CUDA program that given an N element vector find the maximum, minimum elements as well as arithmetic mean & standard deviation

- Objectives: - To understand parallel reduction operators - to understand vector operations

- Outcomes: Understood the parallel reduction operations as well as vector operations

- Software requirements: OPEN MP (C++ library), g++ Google colab, CUDA: 8 GB RAM.

Theory:

(a) CUDA (Computer Unified Device Architecture) is a parallel computing platform and application programming interface model created by NVIDIA. It allows software developers & engineers to use CUDA enabled graphics processing unit for general purpose processing an approach termed GPU. Languages C, C++, Fortran can be used with CUDA. This accessibility makes it easier for the specialist in parallel programming to use GPU resources in contact

to prior APIs like direct3D & OpenGL which required advanced skills in graphic programming. CUDA also supports programming frameworks

⑥ min-max operations:

① max method returns the largest element out of a, b compares function can be omitted by default the compare function is used to determine which object is larger in case they are non-numeric otherwise the operator is used

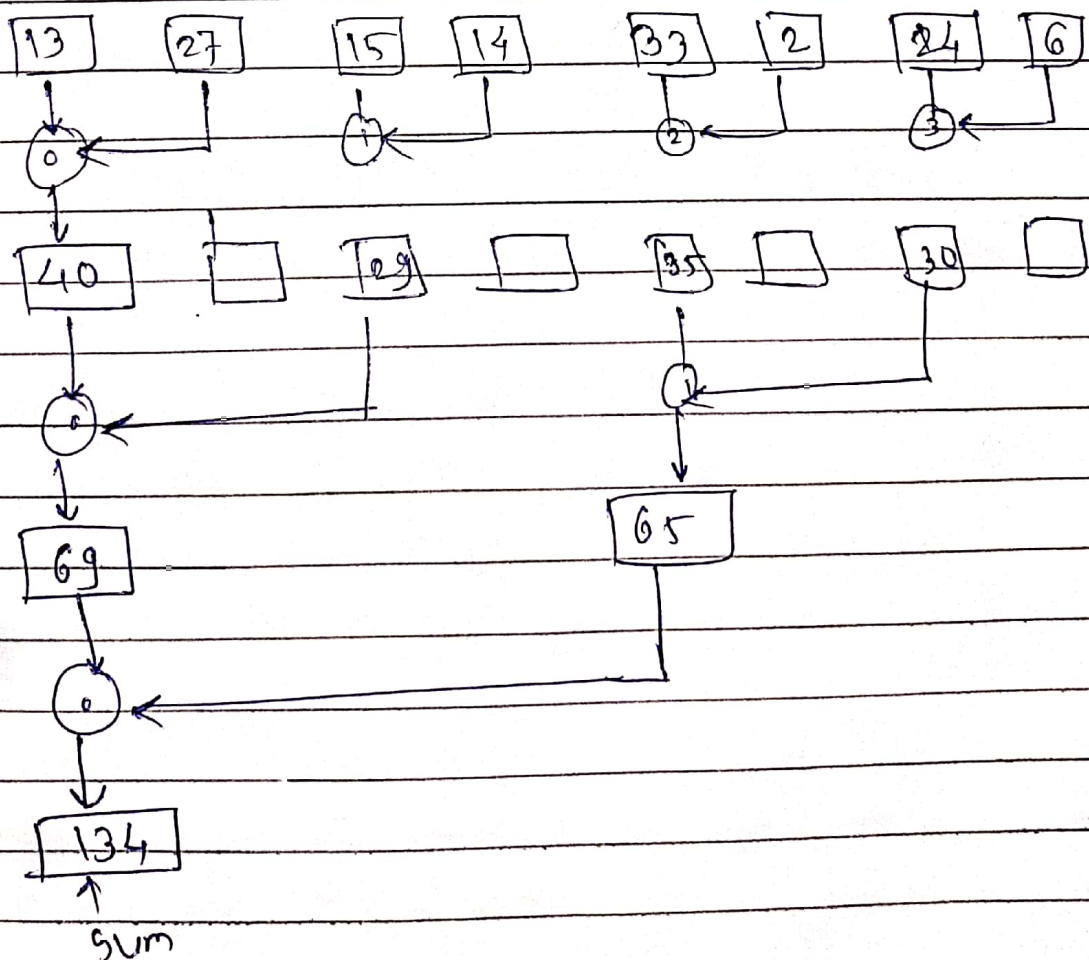
Syntax: `max(object-type a, object-type b, compare())`

② min method: returns smaller element of out a & b same rule applies for comparison as max fun.

③ Arithmetic mean: This value is found by taking the sum of all individual data elements and then dividing this sum by the total no. of individual data elements

④ Standard Deviation: represented by the greek letter σ (sigma), standard deviation is a measure that is used to quantify the amount of variation or dispersion of a set of data values. This number is used to determine how measurements for a group of data are spread out from mean value on either side.

- Parallel Reduction: Reduction operations are those which reduce a single collection of values to a single value. Operations which are associative & commutative can be reduction operations.
- Some of them are: addition, multiplication, bitwise AND, OR, XOR, logical AND, OR, XOR, finding minimum/maximum amongst a given set of numbers.
- computation complexity likely to be $(\log n)$
- below is an example of sum of an array using parallel reduction.



- conclusion: I have studied parallel reduction using min, max, avg, sum & CUDA program that given an N element array finds max, min, mean, SD parallelly & serially.

Both programs executed successfully & gave expected results.