

Declarative Array Programming with SAC — Single Assignment C

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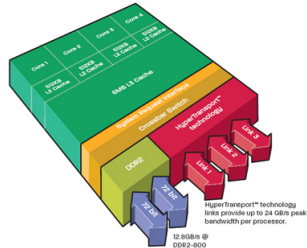
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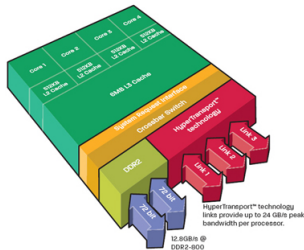
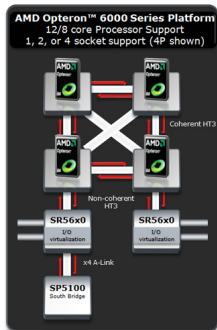
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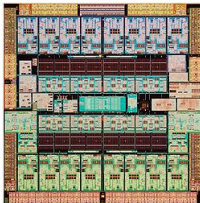
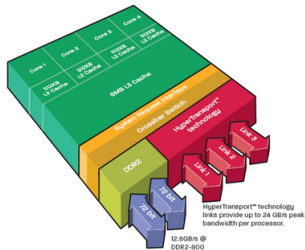
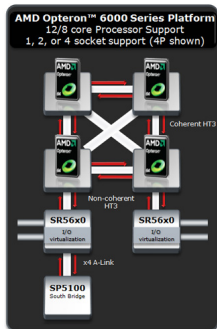
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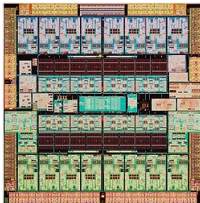
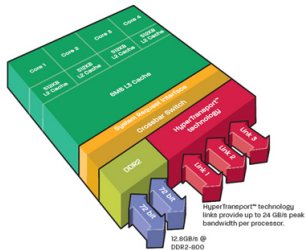
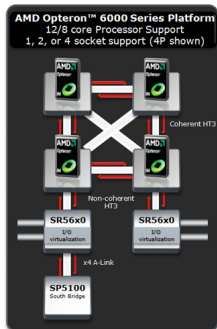
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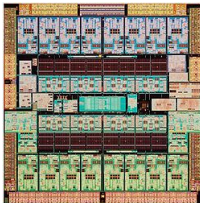
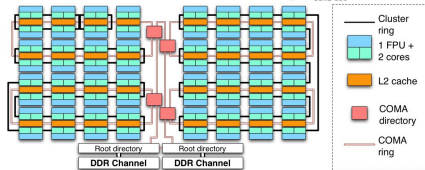
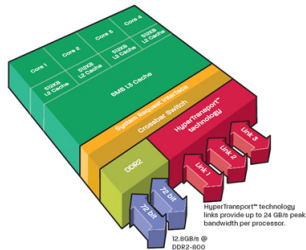
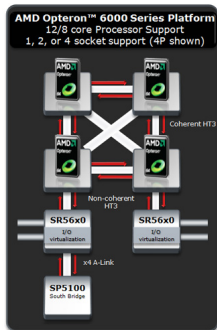
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Programming diverse hardware is uneconomic:

- ▶ Diverse low-level programming models
- ▶ Each requires expert knowledge
- ▶ Heterogeneous combinations of the above ?

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- ▶ Pursue **data-parallel** approach to implicitly promote concurrency

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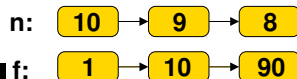
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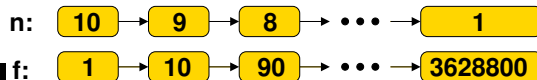
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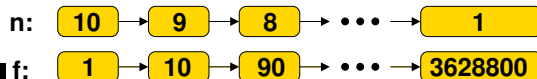
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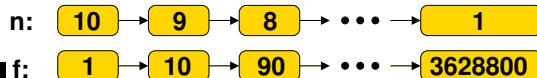
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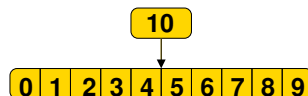
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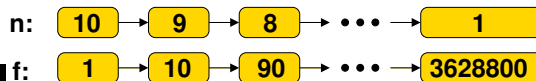
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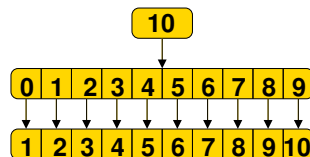
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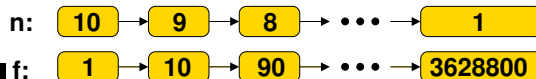
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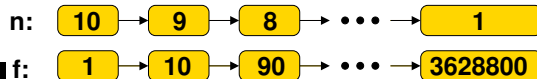
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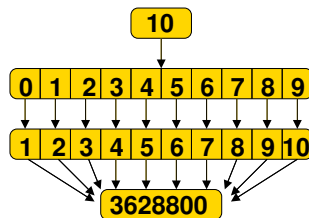
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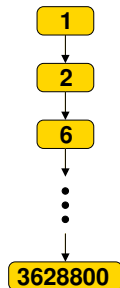

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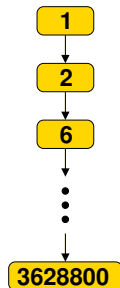
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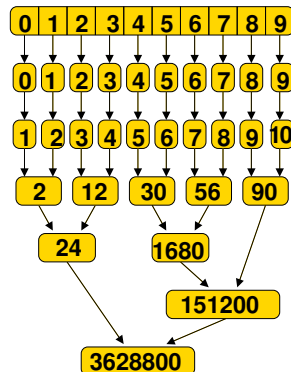
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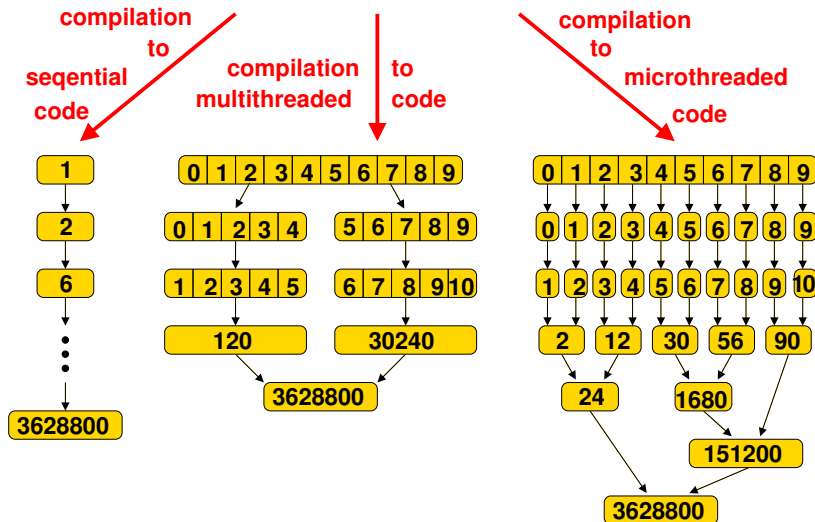


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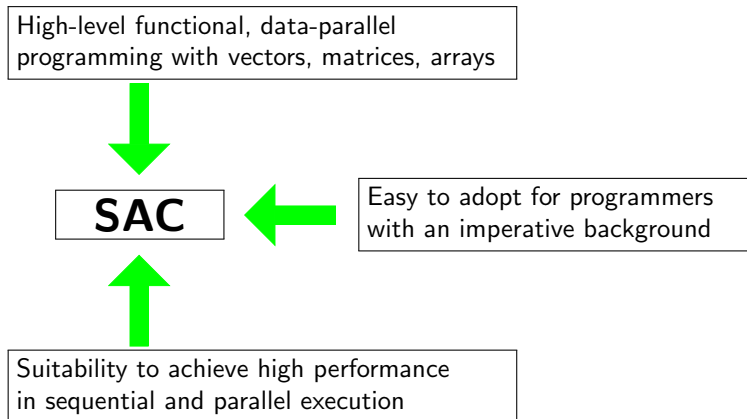


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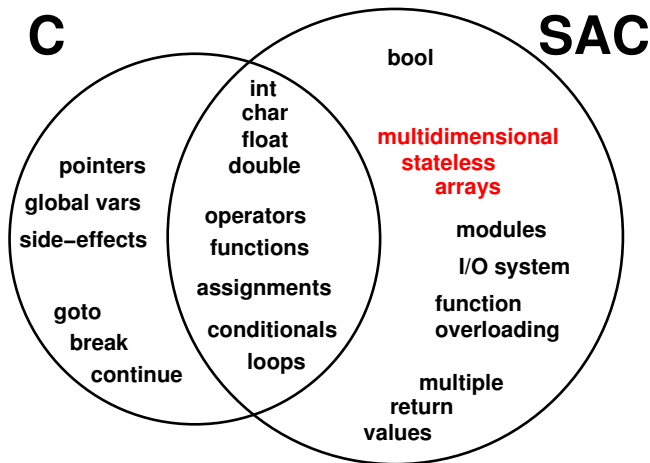


Suitability to achieve high performance in sequential and parallel execution

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SAC at a glance



Introductory Example: gcd in SAC

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gcd( int high, int low)
{
    if (high < low) {
        mem  = low;
        low  = high;
        high = mem;
    }
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diffmod( int x, int y)
{
    quot  = x / y;
    remain = x % y;
    return( quot, remain);
}

int
main()
{
    return( gcd( 22, 27));
}
```

What is Functional Programming ?

Execution Model:

Imperative programming:

Sequence of instructions
that step-wise manipulate the program state



Functional programming:

Context-free substitution of expressions
until fixed point is reached

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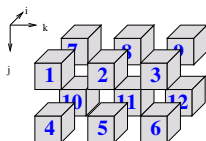
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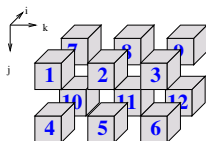


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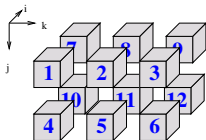
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- ▶ Selecting elements:

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x = sel( [4], vec); → 5
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```
y = sel( [2,1], mat); → 6
```

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x = vec[[4]]; → 5
```

```
y = mat[[2,1]]; → 6
```

With-Loops: Versatile Array Comprehensions

```
A = with {  
    ([1,1] <= iv < [4,4]) : e(iv);  
}: genarray( [5,4], def );
```

- ▶ Multidimensional array comprehensions
- ▶ Mapping from index domain into value domain

[0,0]	[0,1]	[0,2]	[0,3]
[1,0]	[1,1]	[1,2]	[1,3]
[2,0]	[2,1]	[2,2]	[2,3]
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index domain



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value domain

With-Loops: Modarray Variant

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A = with {  
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}: modarray( B );
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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} B[[0,0]] & B[[0,1]] & B[[0,2]] & B[[0,3]] & B[[0,4]] \\ B[[1,0]] & e([1,1]) & e([1,2]) & e([1,3]) & B[[1,4]] \\ B[[2,0]] & e([2,1]) & e([2,2]) & e([2,3]) & B[[2,4]] \\ B[[3,0]] & B[[3,1]] & B[[3,2]] & B[[3,3]] & B[[3,4]] \end{pmatrix}$$

With-Loops: Fold Variant

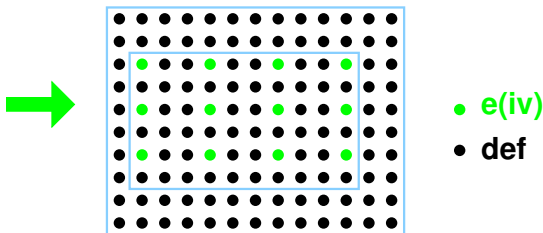
```
A = with {  
    ([1,1] <= iv < [3,4]) : e(iv);  
}: fold(  $\oplus$ , neutr );
```


$$A = \textit{neutr} \oplus e([1,1]) \oplus e([1,2]) \oplus e([1,3]) \\ \oplus e([2,1]) \oplus e([2,2]) \oplus e([2,3])$$

(\oplus denotes associative, commutative binary function.)

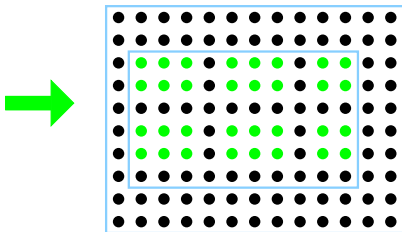
Grid Generators

```
A = with {  
    ([2,1] <= iv < [8,11] step [2,3]):  
        e(iv);  
}: genarray( [10,13], def );
```



Grid Width Generators

```
A = with {  
    ([2,1] <= iv < [8,11] step [3,4] width [2,3]):  
        e(iv);  
}: genarray( [10,13], def );
```



- $e(iv)$
- def

Multi-Generator/Multi-Operator With-Loops

Example

```
A, B = with {  
    ([1,1] <=      iv      < [3,4]) : A[iv], B[iv] ;  
    ([3,1] <=      [i,j]    < [6,4]) : i, j ;  
    ([0,5] <= iv=[i,j] < [3,7]) : B[iv], i+j ;  
}: (genarray( [10,10], 0), modarray( C ) ) ;
```

Properties:

- ▶ Multiple generators, sequence matters
- ▶ Multiple operators, can be different
- ▶ Index can be vector, sequence of scalars or both

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Element-wise subtraction of arrays:

```
int[20,20] (-) (int[20,20] A, int[20,20] B)
{
  res = with {
    ([0,0] <= iv < [20,20]) : A[iv] - B[iv];
  }: genarray( [20,20], 0);
  return( res);
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Shape-generic code



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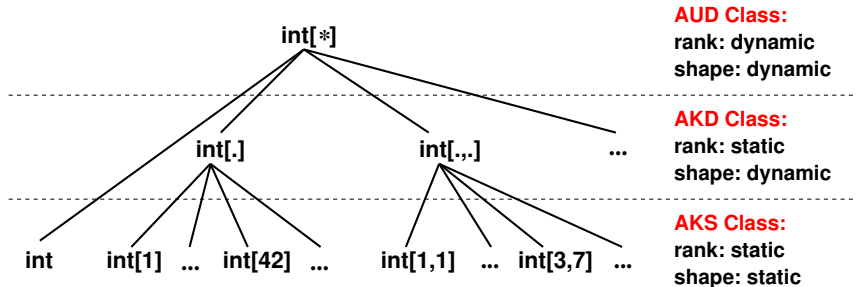


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  }: genarray( shp, 0);
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}
```

Shapely Array Type Hierarchy With Subtyping



AUD : Array of Unknown Dimension

AKD : Array of Known Dimension

AKS : Array of Known Shape

Function Overloading

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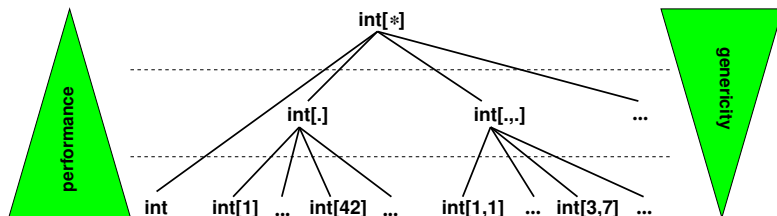
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Features:

- ▶ Multiple function definitions with same name, but
 - ▶ different numbers of arguments
 - ▶ different base types
 - ▶ different shapely types
- ▶ No restriction on function semantics
- ▶ Argument subtyping must be monotonous
- ▶ Dynamic function dispatch

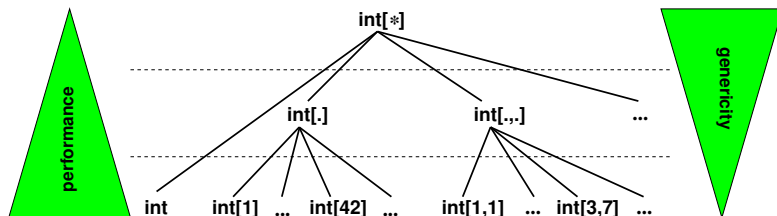
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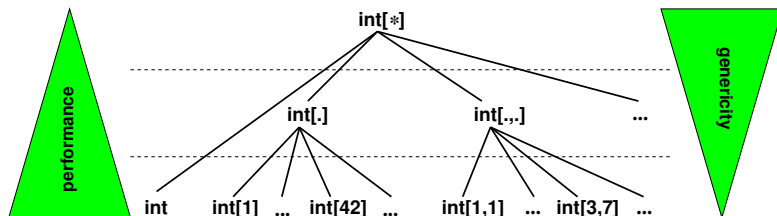


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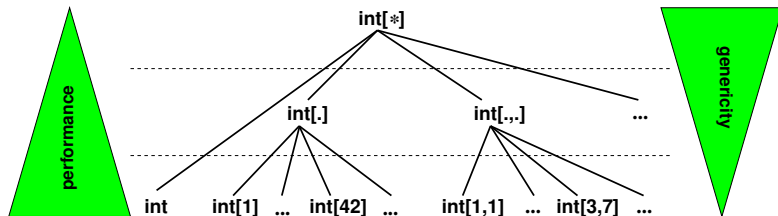
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specialize int[.,.] (-) (int[.,.] A, int[.,.] B);  
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```

Principle of Composition

Characteristics:

- ▶ Step-wise composition of functions
- ▶ from previously defined functions
- ▶ or basic building blocks (with-loop defined)

Example: convergence test

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```
false
```

Shape-Generic Programming

2-dimensional convergence test:

```
is_convergent(  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ , 3 )
```

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3-dimensional convergence test:

`is_convergent($\begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}, 3$)`

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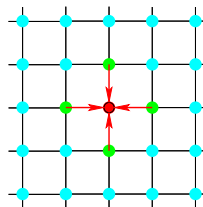
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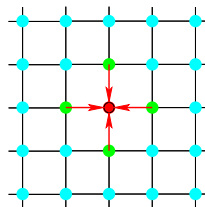
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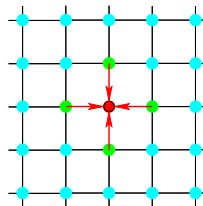
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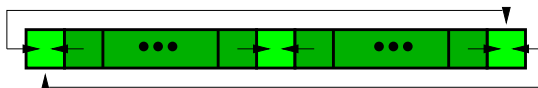
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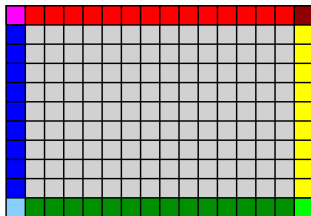
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Problem:

- ▶ 9 different situations in 2-dimensional grids
- ▶ 27 different situations in 3-dimensional grids
- ▶ ...

Convolution Step in SaC

1-dimensional:

```
double[.] convolution_step (double[.] A)
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```
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{
    R = A;
    for (i=0; i<dim(A); i++) {
        R = R + rotate( i, 1, A) + rotate( i, -1, A);
    }
    return( R / tod( 2 * dim(A) + 1));
}
```


Convolution in SaC

Fixed number of iterations:

```
double[*] convolution (double[*] A, int iter)
{
    for (i=0; i<iter; i++) {
        A = convolution_step( A);
    }

    return( A);
}
```

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Variable number of iterations with convergence check:

```
double[*] convolution (double[*] A, double eps)
{
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        A_old = A;
        A = convolution_step( A_old);
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```

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```

Convolution with Static Boundary Conditions

1-dimensional:

```
double[,] convolution_step (double[,] A)
{
    conv  = (A + shift( 1, A) + shift( -1, A)) / 3.0;

    inner = tile( shape( conv) - 2, [1], conv);
    res   = embed( inner, [1], A);

    return( res);
}
```

Library functions:

tile (*shp*, *offset*, *array*) takes a subarray of shape *shp* at *offset* from *array*.

embed (*inner*, *offset*, *outer*) creates an array like *outer* except for elements from index *offset* which are taken from *inner* for the whole shape of *inner*.

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N-dimensional:

```
double[*] convolution_step (double[*] A)
{
    conv = A;
    for (i=0; i<dim(A); i++) {
        conv = conv + shift( i, 1, A) + shift( i, -1, A);
    }
    conv = conv / tod( 2 * dim(A) + 1));

    inner = tile(shape(conv) - 2, shape(conv) * 0 + 1, conv);
    res    = embed(inner, shape(conv) * 0 + 1, A);

    return( res);
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At last: Hello World

As simple as pie (for C hackers):

```
import StdIO: all;

int main()
{
    printf( "Hello World !!");
    return( 0);
}
```

Input and Output in General

Example:

```
import StdIO: all;
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int main()
{
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    b = [1,2,3,4,5];

    errcode, outfile = fopen( "filename", "w");

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}
```

But is this functional code ?

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Example functionalised by compiler:

```
FileSystem, int main( FileSystem theFileSystem)
{
    a = 42;
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    theFileSystem, errcode, outfile
        = fopen( theFileSystem, "filename", "w");

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    outfile = fprintf( outfile, b);

    theFileSystem = fclose( theFileSystem, outfile);

    return( theFileSystem, 0);
}
```

FileSystem and **File** are uniqueness types.

Input and Output in General

Example completed:

```
import StdIO: all;
import ArrayIO: all;
import SysErr: all;

int main()
{
    a = 42;
    b = [1,2,3,4,5];
    errcode, outfile = fopen( "somefile", "w");
    if (fail(errcode)) {
        fprintf( stderr, "%s\n", strerror( errcode));
    }
    else {
        fprintf( outfile, "a = %d\n", a);
        fprintf( outfile, b);

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    }
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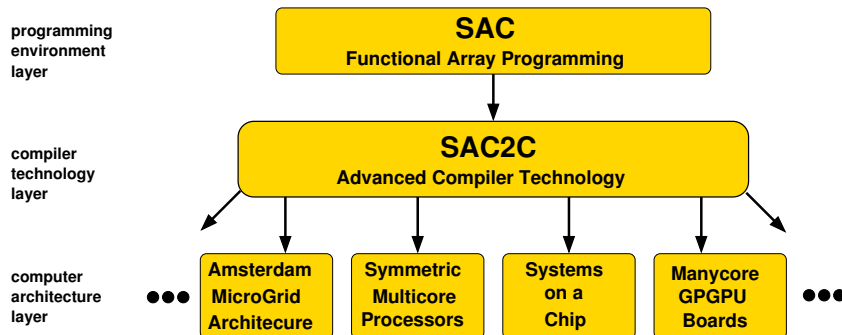
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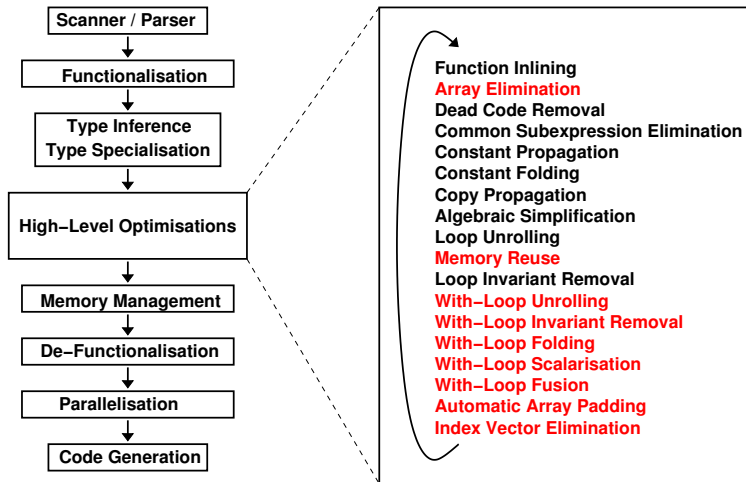
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 - ▶ How to schedule index spaces to threads ?
 - ▶ When to synchronise (and when not) ?

Challenge 5: Implementing a Fully-Fledged Compiler



sac2c is a large-scale compilation technology project

- ▶ **SAC** compiler + runtime library:
 - ▶ 300,000 lines of code
 - ▶ about 1000 files
 - ▶ about 250 compiler passes
 - ▶ + standard prelude
 - ▶ + standard library
- ▶ More than 10 years of research and development
- ▶ Approaching one hundred man years of investment
- ▶ Complete compiler construction infrastructure

The SAC Project

International partners:

- ▶ University of Kiel, Germany (1994–2005)
- ▶ University of Toronto, Canada (since 2000)
- ▶ University of Lübeck, Germany (2001–2008)
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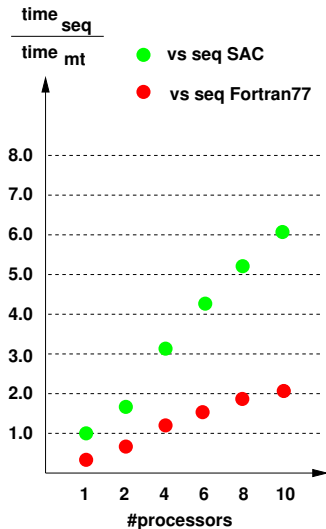
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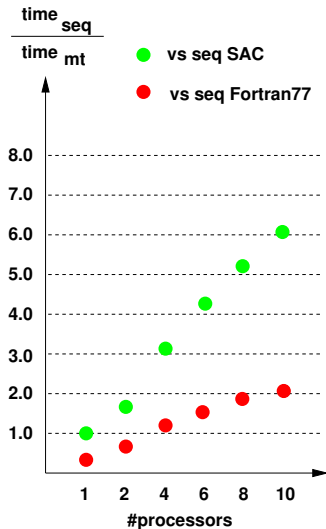
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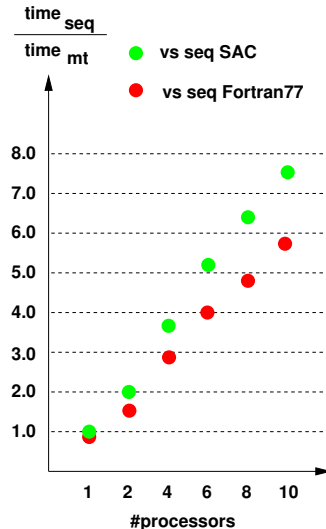


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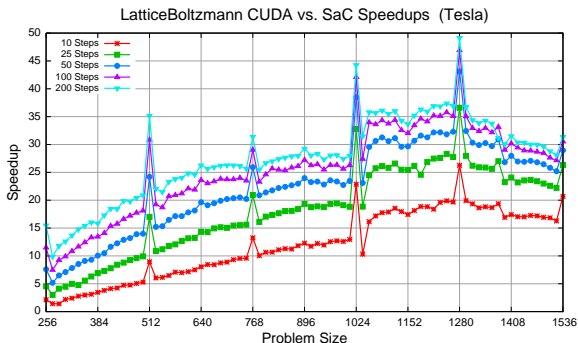
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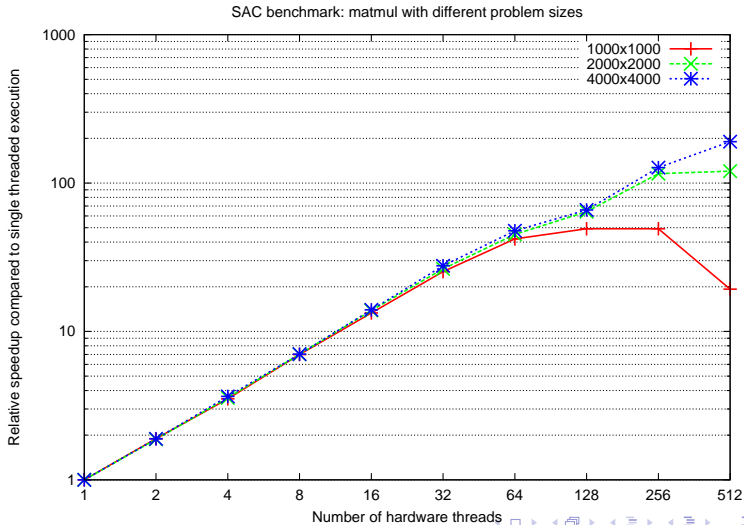
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- ▶ Automatic memory management
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The End

Questions ?

Check out www.sac-home.org !!