

Week 16

Performance

Data Size: 64x768 768x64

	bc_matmul	matmul	Change
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8 lanes	85.63%	34.22%	2.5x
16 lanes	74.85%	17.03%	4.4x

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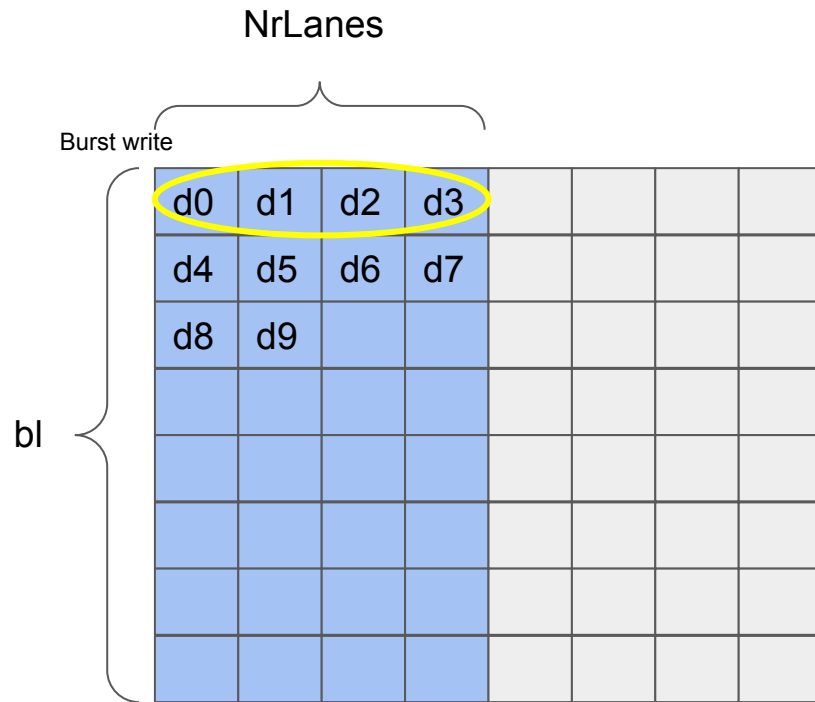
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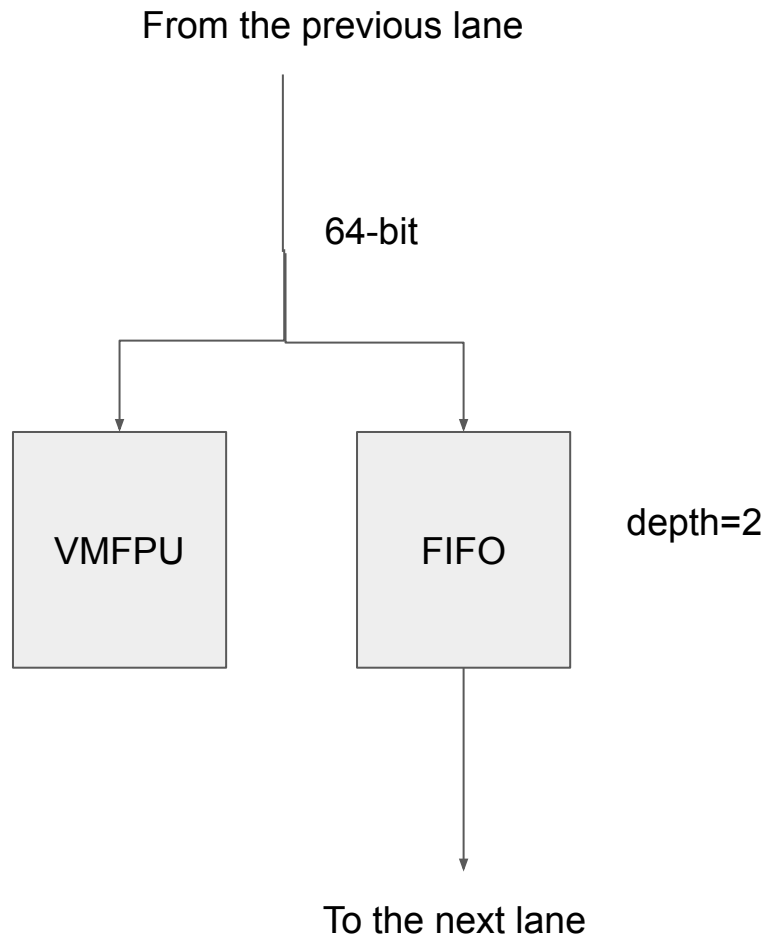
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- Use different registers to load matrix A
 - false data dependency

Hardware Update

- Broadcast data
 - FIFO not full & VMFPU ready → ACK
 - If the next lane is not ready, the current lane can still execute.
 - Cut the InOut path.
 - `ready_o = vmfpu_ready & ready_next`





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