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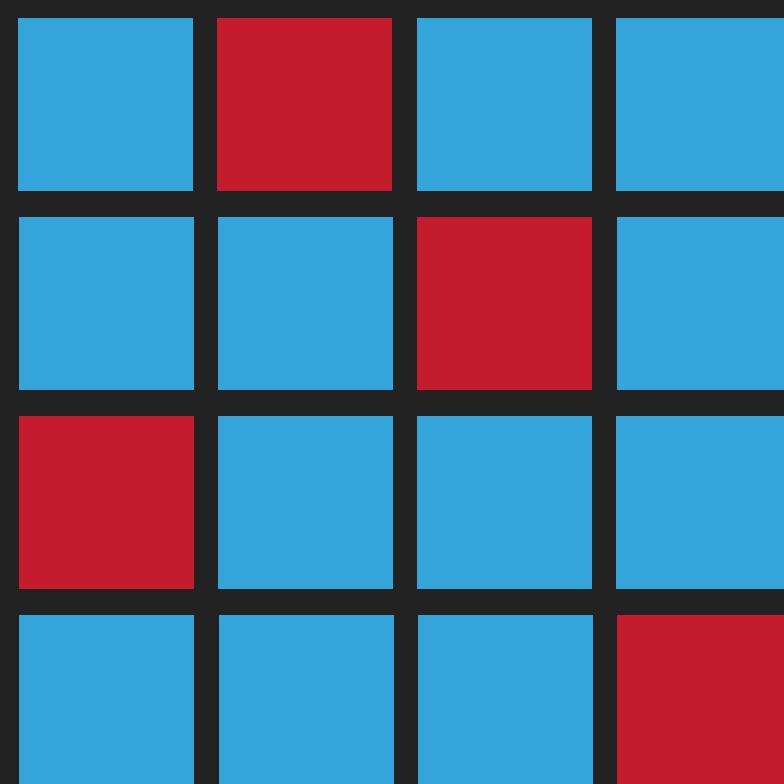
EVOLVING MACHINE CODE

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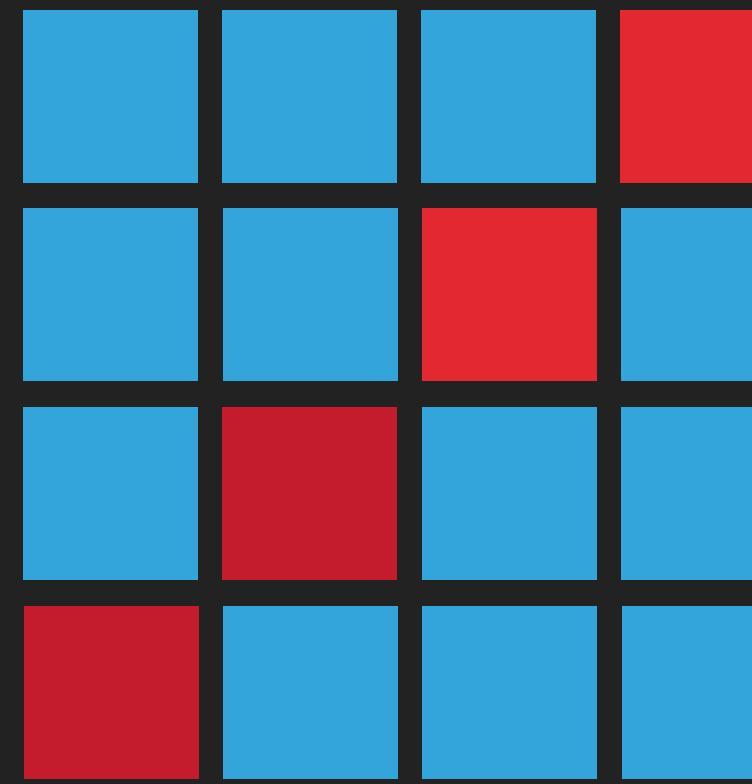
GOAL: LEARN PROGRAM GIVEN TARGET MEMORY CONTENT



SHORT: ~16-32 BYTES



MEMORY

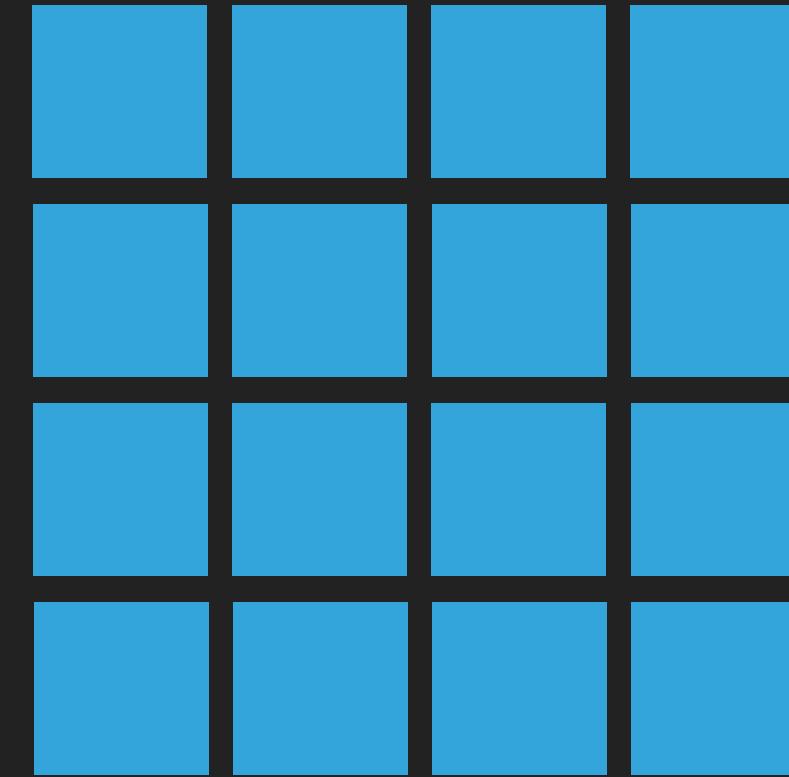
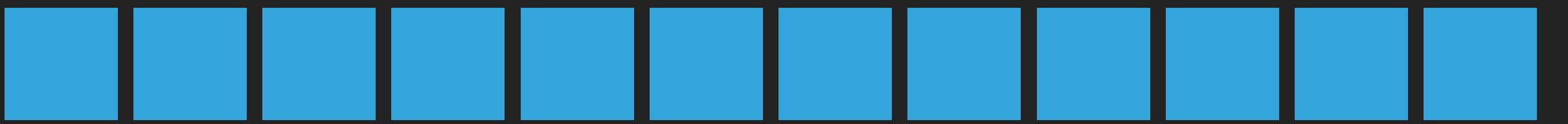


MEMORY

テキスト

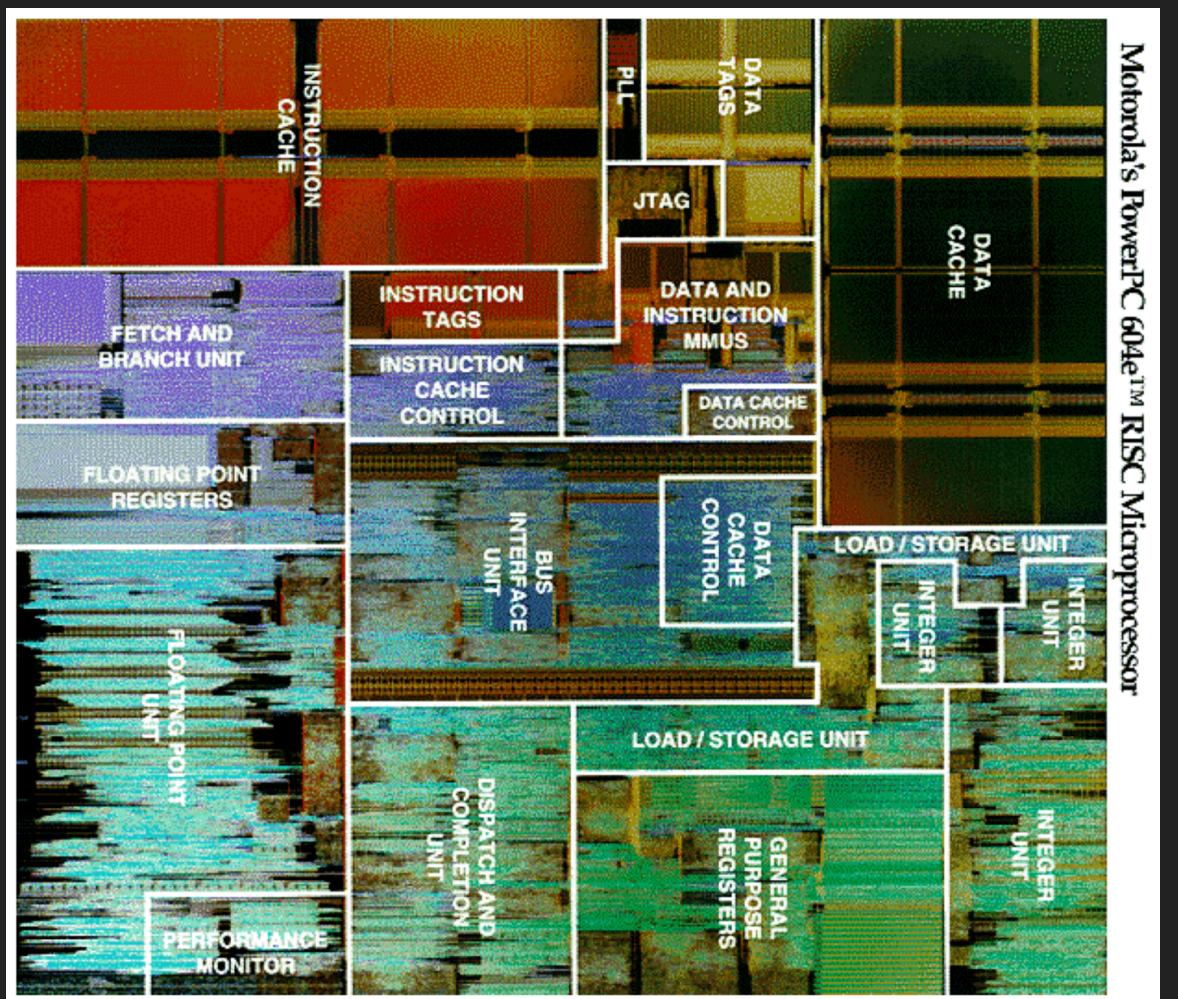
SIMPLIFIED CPU MODEL

PROGRAM



VISIBLE/EXTERNAL MEMORY

INTERNAL STATE / REGISTERS



CUSTOM INSTRUCTION SET

0.013% of XCVU9P (AWS F1)
320 FPGA logic blocks ~ 1/5 of RISC-V32-IE

1: LOAD DEST, SRC, OFFSET

2: STORE DEST, OFFSET, SRC

3: SET, DEST, VAL

4: BGE ARG0, ARG1, OFFSET

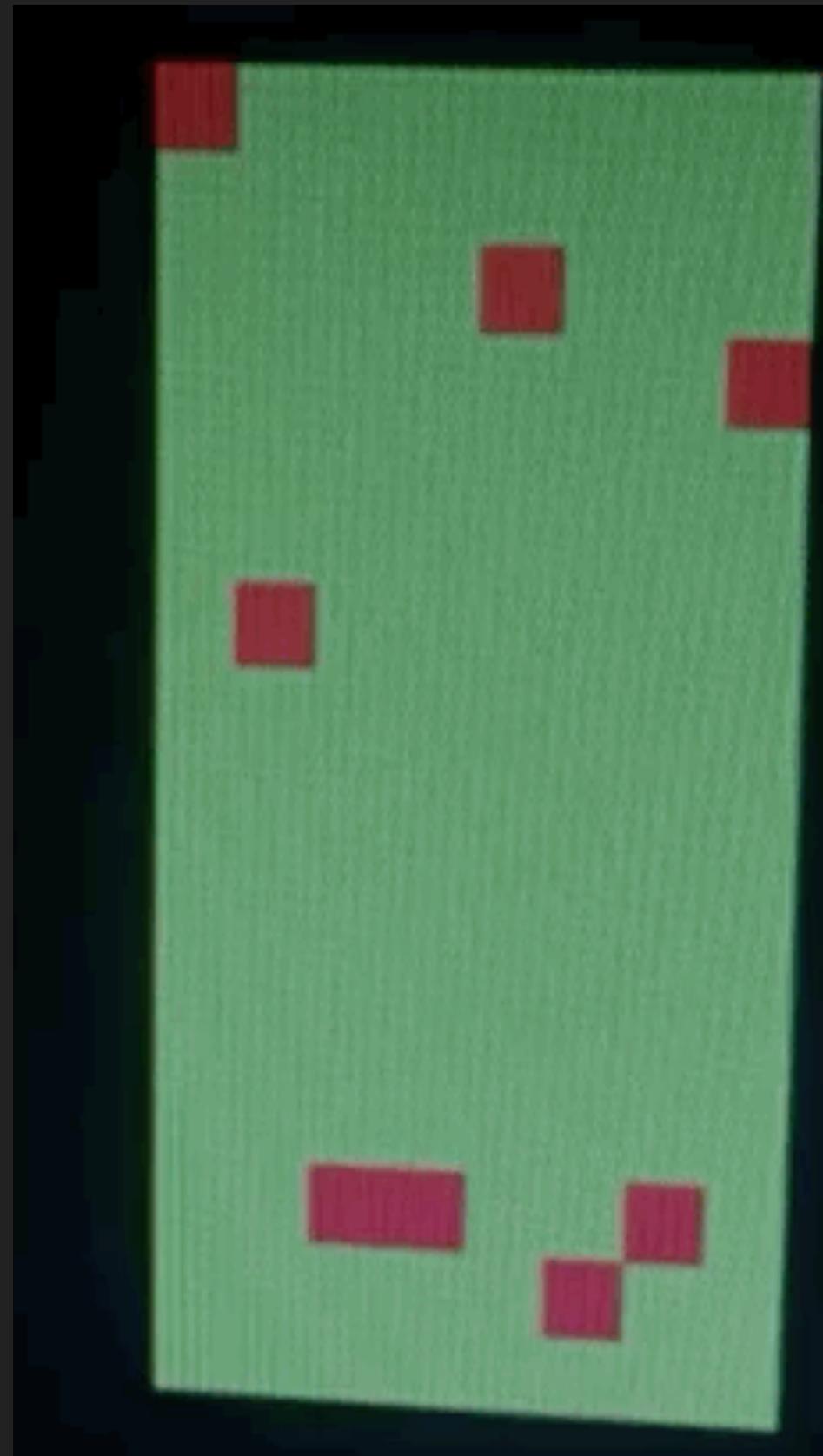
5: ADD DEST, SRC0, SRC1

6: SUB DEST, SRC, VAL

7: HALT

8 x 8-bit registers

fetch, decode and execute in a single cycle



LEARNING DONE IN FPGA

COMPARE
AND SWAP

3600	SET %6, 0	RISC-V
3707	SET %7, 0+7	~350 cycles
3400	SET %4, 0	
3600	SET %6, 0	
6571	SUB %5, %7, 1	
4561	BGE %5,%6,1 (if %5>%6 skip next)	CUSTOM ISA
7000	HALT	~90 cycles
3101	SET %1, 0+1	
4542	BGE %5,%4,2 (if %5>%4 skip next 2)	
6771	%7 = %7 - 1	
3001	SET %0, 1	x86 asm
1240	LOAD %2<= MEM[%4+0]	
1341	LOAD %3<= MEM[%4+1]	~900 cycles
4322	BGE %4,%3,1 (if %3>%2 skip next 2)	
2403	STORE MEM[%4+0]<= %3	
2412	STORE MEM[%4+1]<= %2	x86 python
5441	%4 = %4+1	
3007	GOTO 07	~80000 cycles

PROGRAM A



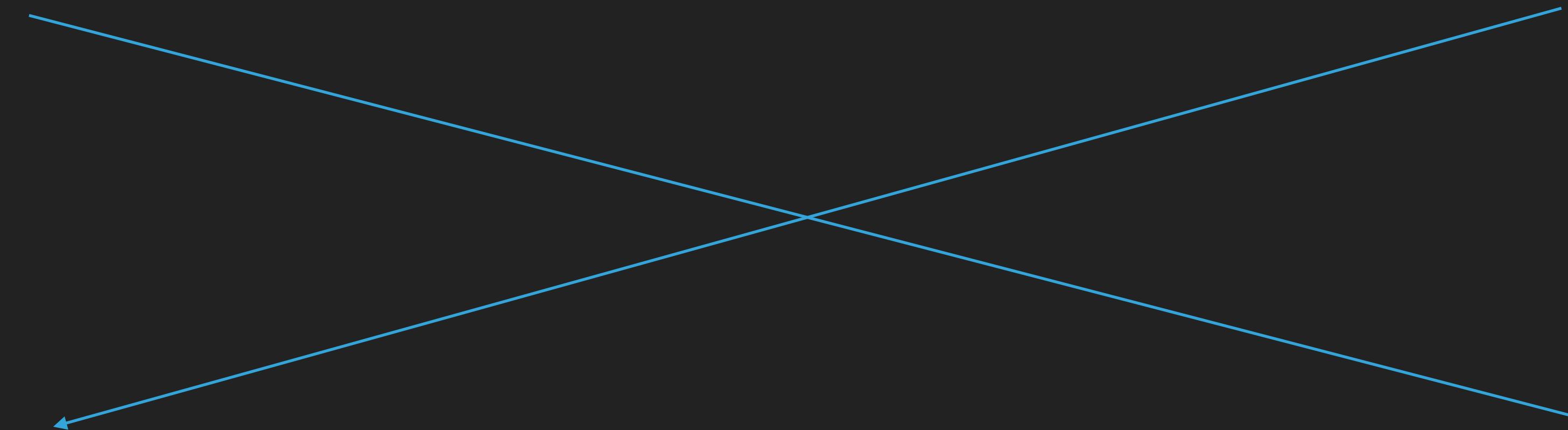
PROGRAM B



PROGRAM C



PROGRAM D



ENVIRONMENTS – NOT SO SIMPLE TO RUN RANDOM PROGRAMS

- ▶ EMULATORS (INTEL 8080, MOS 6502)
- ▶ VIRTUAL MACHINES
- ▶ FPGA (RISC-V)
- ▶ CUSTOM HW (CEREBRAS CS-1)

テキスト

6502



[Klein] CCL 1.3

8-bit cpu, 64kB address space, 96-bit register file, 200 lines of code



NV6502

```
__device__ void _cp (_6502 *n, u8 _a, u8 _b) { u8 r=_a-_b; ZN(r); }
__device__ void _ora(_6502 *n) { LDM; A|=d; ZN(A); } // "OR" Memory with Accumulator
__device__ void _and(_6502 *n) { LDM; A&=d; ZN(A); } // "AND" Memory with Accumulator
__device__ void _eor(_6502 *n) { LDM; A^=d; ZN(A); } // "XOR" Memory with Accumulator
__device__ void _cmp(_6502 *n) { LDM; _cp(n,A,d); } // Compare Memory and Accumulator
__device__ void _cpx(_6502 *n) { LDM; _cp(n,X,d); } // Compare Memory and Index X
__device__ void _cpy(_6502 *n) { LDM; _cp(n,Y,d); } // Compare Memory and Index Y
__device__ void _bcc(_6502 *n) { jr(n,IC); } // Branch on Carry Clear
__device__ void _bcs(_6502 *n) { jr(n,C); } // Branch on Carry Set
__device__ void _beq(_6502 *n) { jr(n,Z); } // Branch on Result Zero
__device__ void _bit(_6502 *n) { LDM; S=(d>>7) & 1; V=(d>>6) & 1; Z=(d & A)==0; } // Test Bits in Memory with A
__device__ void _bmi(_6502 *n) { jr(n, S); } // Branch on Result Minus
__device__ void _bne(_6502 *n) { jr(n,!Z); } // Branch on Result not Zero
__device__ void _bpl(_6502 *n) { jr(n,!S); } // Branch on Result Plus
__device__ void _brk(_6502 *n) { B=1; } // Force Break
__device__ void _bvc(_6502 *n) { jr(n,IV); } // Branch on Overflow Clear
__device__ void _bvs(_6502 *n) { jr(n, V); } // Branch on Overflow Set
__device__ void _clc(_6502 *n) { C=0; } // Clear Carry Flag
__device__ void _cld(_6502 *n) { D=0; } // Clear Decimal Mode
__device__ void _cli(_6502 *n) { I=0; } // Clear interrupt Disable Bit
__device__ void _clv(_6502 *n) { V=0; } // Clear Overflow Flag
__device__ void _dec(_6502 *n) { u16 d0 = d; LDM; d--; d &= 0xff; ZN(d); w8(n,d0,d); } // Decrement Memory by One
__device__ void _dex(_6502 *n) { X--; ZN(X); } // Decrement Index X by One
__device__ void _dey(_6502 *n) { Y--; ZN(Y); } // Decrement Index Y by One
__device__ void _inc(_6502 *n) { u16 d0=d; LDM; d++; d &= 0xff; ZN(d); w8(n,d0,d); d=d0; } // Incr Memory by One
__device__ void _inx(_6502 *n) { X++; ZN(X); } // Increment Index X by One
__device__ void _iny(_6502 *n) { Y++; ZN(Y); } // Increment Index Y by One
__device__ void _jmp(_6502 *n) { PC=d; } // Jump to New Location
__device__ void _jsr(_6502 *n) { push16(n,PC-1); PC=d; } // Jump to New Location Saving Return Address
__device__ void _lda(_6502 *n) { LDM; A=d; ZN(A); } // Load Accumulator with Memory
__device__ void _ldx(_6502 *n) { LDM; X=d; ZN(X); } // Load Index X with Memory
__device__ void _ldy(_6502 *n) { LDM; Y=d; ZN(Y); } // Load Index Y with Memory
__device__ void _lsr(_6502 *n) { LD_A_OR_M(); C=w & 1; w>>=1; ZN(w); ST_A_OR_M(); } // Shift Right One Bit
__device__ void _asl(_6502 *n) { LD_A_OR_M(); C=(w>>7) & 1; w<<=1; ZN(w); ST_A_OR_M(); } // Shift Left One Bit
__device__ void _rol(_6502 *n) { LD_A_OR_M(); u8 c = C; C=(w>>7) & 1; w=(w<<1) | c; ZN(w); ST_A_OR_M(); } // Rotate One Bit Left (Memory or Accumulator)
__device__ void _ror(_6502 *n) { LD_A_OR_M(); u8 c = C; C=(w & 1); w=(w>>1) | (c<<7); ZN(w); ST_A_OR_M(); } // Rotate One Bit Right (Memory or Accumulator)
__device__ void _nop(_6502 *n) { /* No Operation */ }
__device__ void _pha(_6502 *n) { push8(n, A); } // Push Accumulator on Stack
__device__ void _php(_6502 *n) { push8(n, P | 0x10); } // Push Processor Status on Stack
__device__ void _pla(_6502 *n) { A=pop8(n); Z=(A==0); S=(A>>7)&0x1; } // Pull Accumulator from Stack
__device__ void _plp(_6502 *n) { P=pop8(n) & 0xef | 0x20; } // Pull Processor Status from Stack
__device__ void _rti(_6502 *n) { P=(pop8(n) & 0xef) | 0x20; PC=pop16(n); } // Return from Interrupt
__device__ void _rts(_6502 *n) { PC=pop16(n)+1; } // Return from Subroutine
__device__ void _sec(_6502 *n) { C=1; } // Set Carry Flag
__device__ void _sed(_6502 *n) { D=1; } // Set Decimal Mode
__device__ void _sei(_6502 *n) { I=1; } // Set Interrupt Disable Status
__device__ void _sta(_6502 *n) { w8(n,d,A); } // Store Accumulator in Memory
__device__ void _stx(_6502 *n) { w8(n,d,X); } // Store Index X in Memory
__device__ void _sty(_6502 *n) { w8(n,d,Y); } // Store Index Y in Memory
__device__ void _tax(_6502 *n) { X=A; ZN(X); } // Transfer Accumulator to Index X
__device__ void _tay(_6502 *n) { Y=A; ZN(Y); } // Transfer Accumulator to Index Y
__device__ void _tsx(_6502 *n) { X=SP;ZN(X); } // Transfer Stack Pointer to Index X
__device__ void _txa(_6502 *n) { A=X; ZN(A); } // Transfer Index X to Accumulator
__device__ void _txs(_6502 *n) { SP=X; } // Transfer Index X to Stack Pointer
__device__ void _tya(_6502 *n) { A=Y; ZN(A); } // Transfer Index Y to Accumulator
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~100.000 programs/second

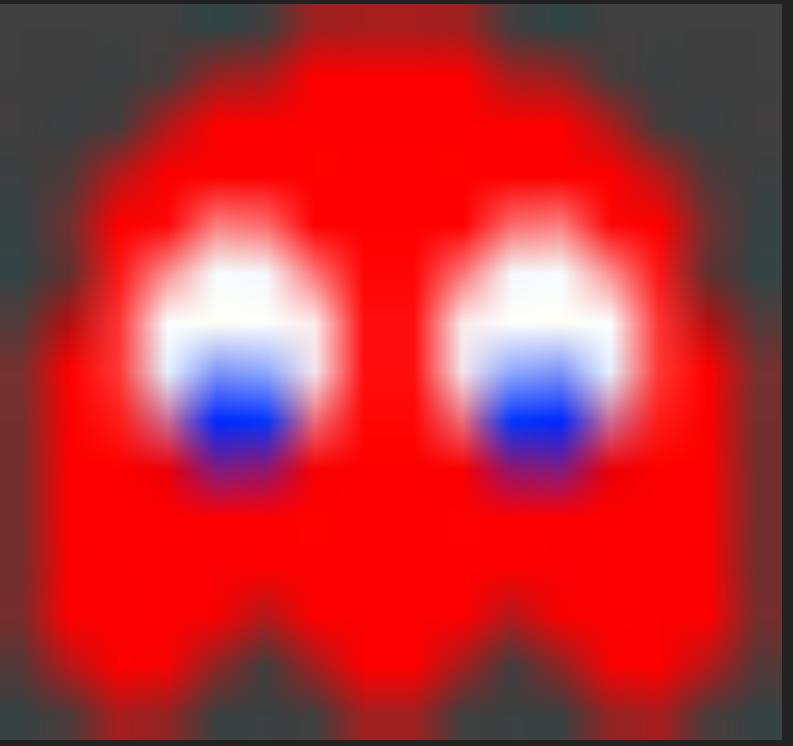
1 run: 1M clock cycles

NV6502

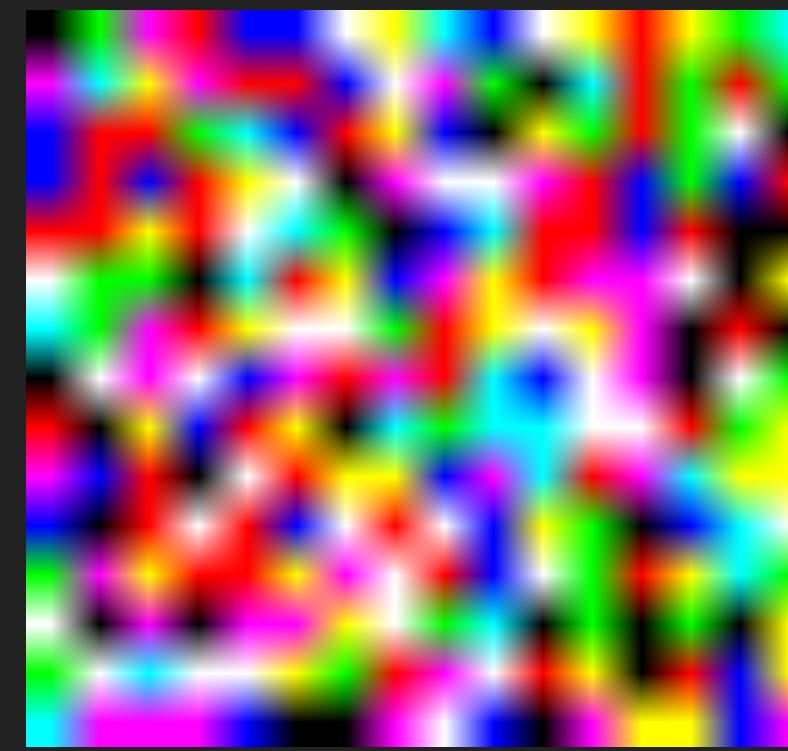


TEST thousands of programs at the same time

<https://github.com/krocki/nv6502>



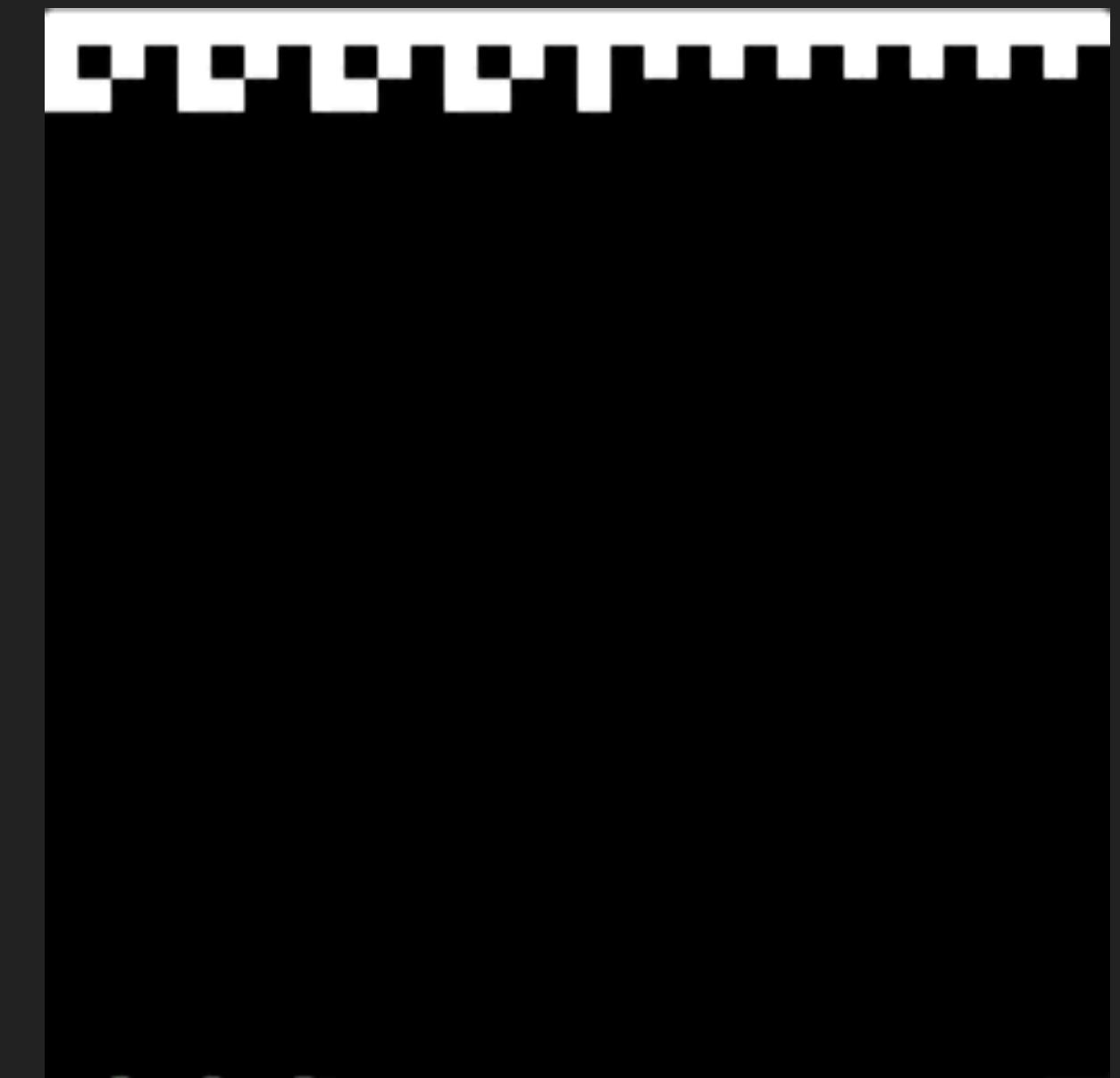
PROGRAM



AN EXAMPLE USING 6502 CPU

```
a9e1 8500 a901 8501 a020 a200 4100 9100  
e600 d0f6 e601 a601 e006 d0ee 60
```

29 BYTES



VISIBLE/EXTERNAL MEMORY

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```

29 BYTES



start:

```
lda #$e1  
sta $0  
lda #$01  
sta $1  
ldy #$20
```



write:

```
idx #$00  
eor ($0,x)  
sta ($0),y
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inc $0  
bne write  
inc $1  
idx $1  
cpx #$06  
bne write
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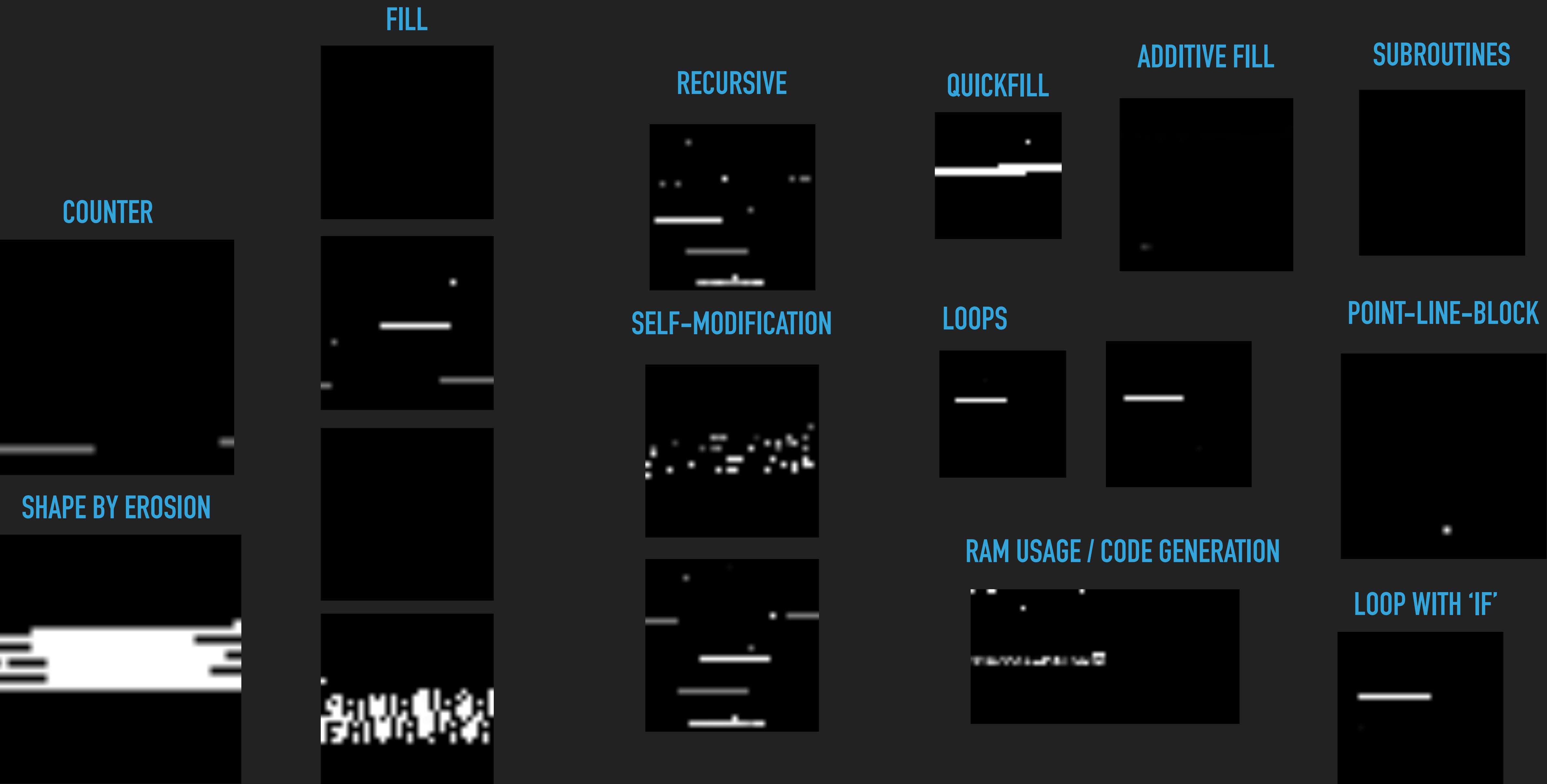
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VISIBLE/EXTERNAL MEMORY

OBSERVATIONS

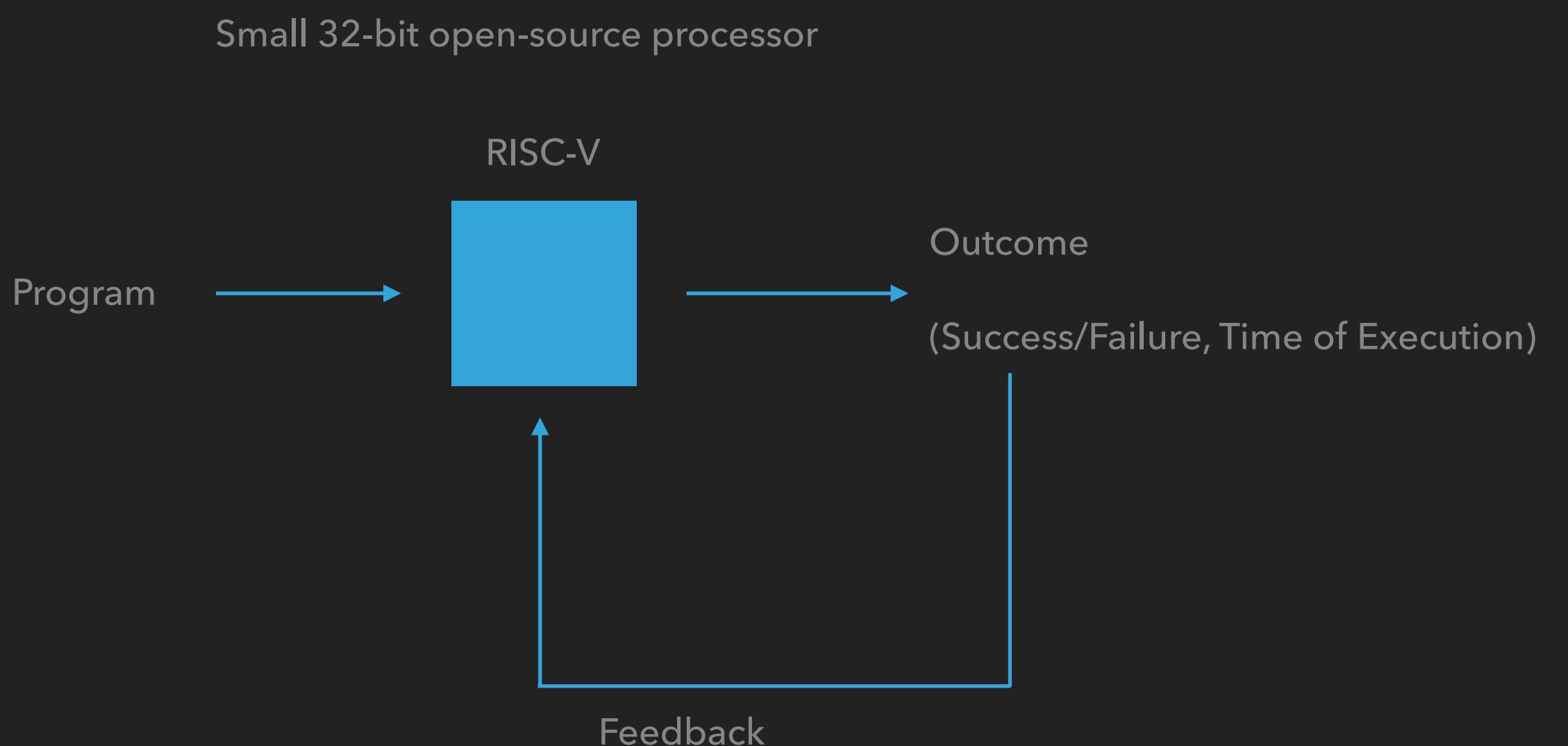
- ▶ Challenges: constraining the solution space (i.e. enforcing subroutines), learning recursion is hard using current approaches, multi-agent cooperation
- ▶ Works for simple tasks:
 - ▶ a) copy, b) repeat-copy, c) reverse-copy
 - ▶ d) basic sort, e) filter

LEARNED BEHAVIORS

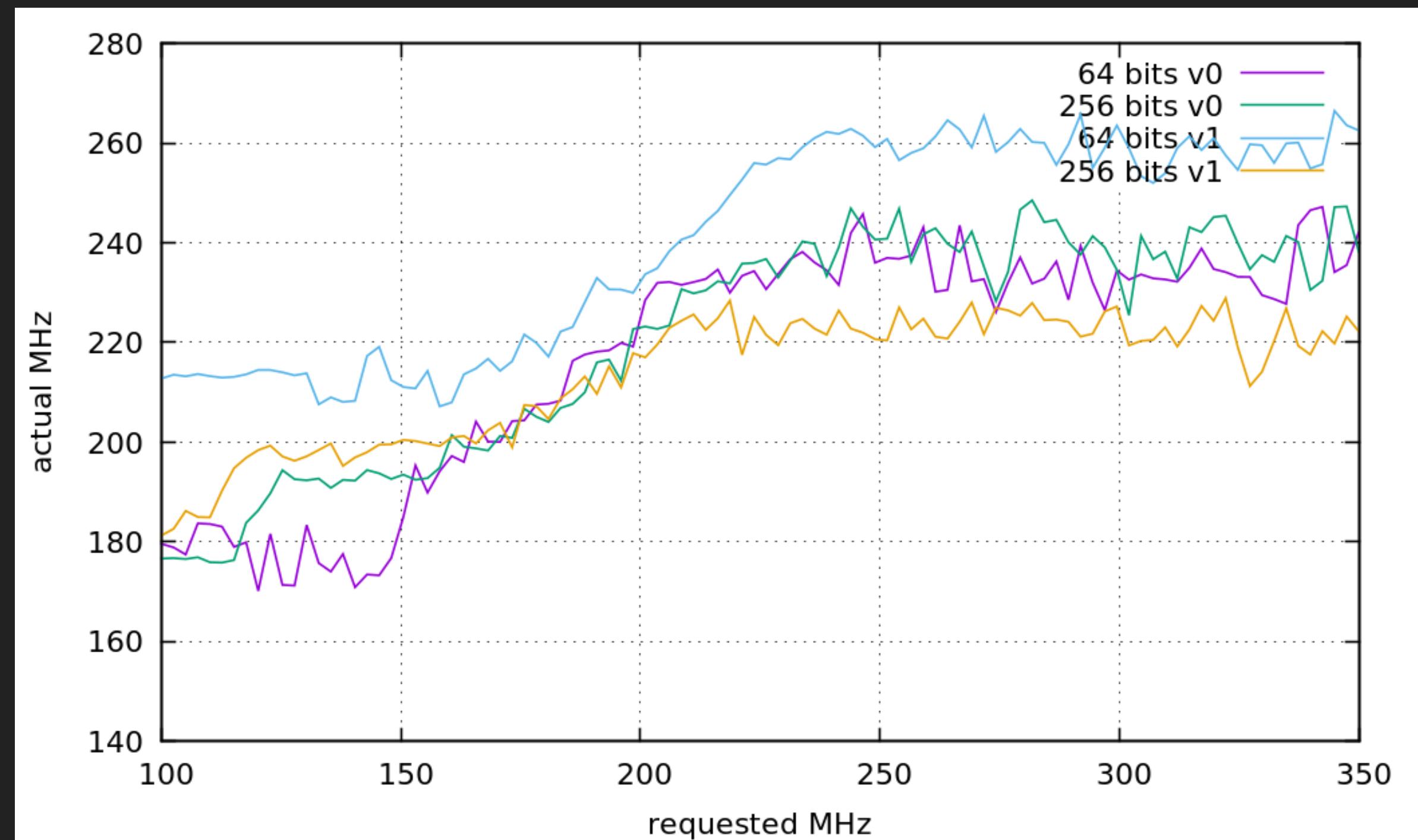


RL-BASED ATTEMPTS

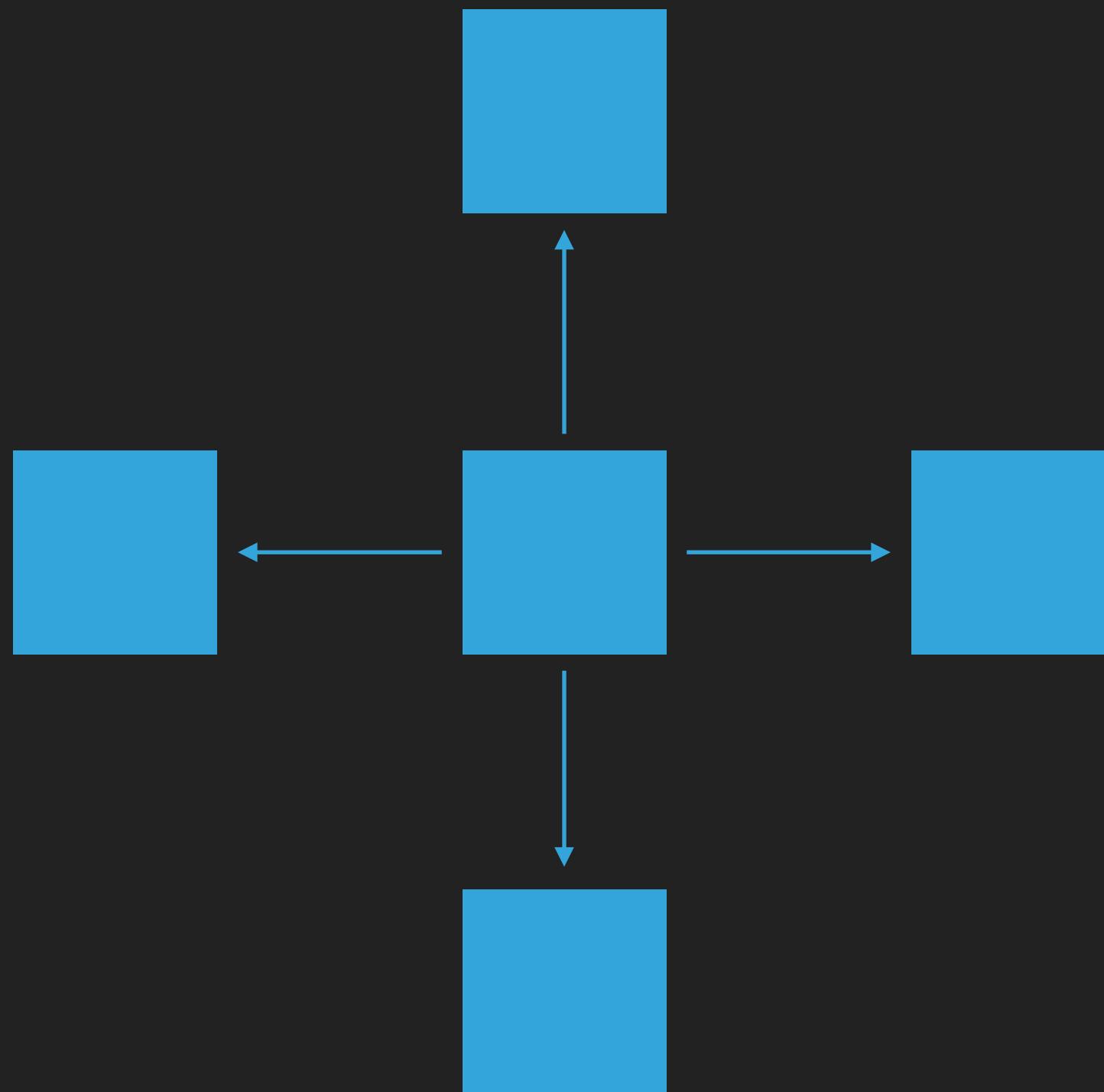
In an FPGA



LEARNING TO MEMCPY DATA USING A SINGLE CORE



LEARNING DISTRIBUTED COMPUTATION



AUGMENT THE ACTION SPACE WITH SEND/RECEIVE

DEFINE A GLOBAL OBJECTIVE (i.e. SORT, MAX)