

In this part of the exam you will write two functions. The first function called `hip` computes the value of a function of variables  $x$  and  $y$ . The second function invokes `minhip` to scan an specified area in the  $x \times y$  plan and returns the minimum value of the function within the specified region.

**Question 4 (20 points):** Write MIPS assembly code for the function `hip` that computes the value of the following function:

$$f(x, y) = k - x^2 + y^2 \tag{1}$$

The specification for the `hip` function is as follows.

- **parameters:**

- `$a0`:  $k$

- `$a1`:  $x$

- `$a2`:  $y$

- **return value:**

- `$v0`:  $k - x^2 + y^2$

- **guarantee:**

- The values of  $k$ ,  $x$  and  $y$  are such that all the intermediate values and the result to be returned fit into 32-bit integers.

Your implementation of `hip` must follow all the MIPS calling conventions for saving/restoring registers.

Code for hip

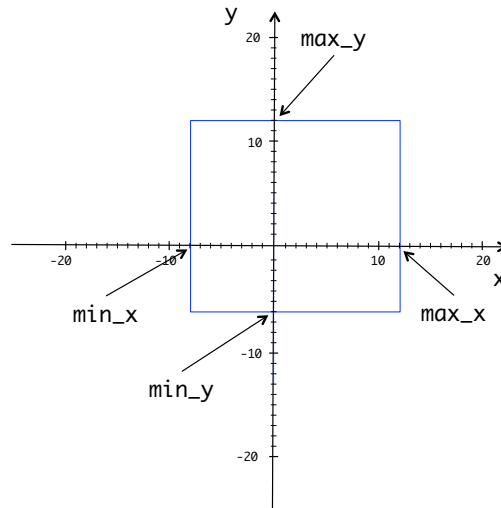



Figure 1: Illustration of the definition of a region in the XY plan.

**Question 5 (30 points):** In this question you will write MIPS assembly code for `minhip`, a subroutine that evaluates the function defined by equation 1 in every integer point in an specified region of the  $x \times y$  plan and returns the minimum value encountered in that region. The definition of a region is illustrated in Figure 2. The `minhip` function will vary  $x$  in the interval `[min_x, max_x]` and will vary  $y$  in the interval `[min_y, max_y]`. The `[ ]` indicates that the ends of the interval are also included. Both  $x$  and  $y$  are integer variables that vary in increments of one. The `minhip` function will invoke the `hip` function to evaluate the value of  $f(x, y)$  for every combination of integer values of  $x$  and  $y$  within the specified region.

- **parameters:**

`$a0`: `min_x`

`$a1`: `max_x`

`$a2`: `min_y`

`$a3`: `max_y`

**memory location with label `const_k`:** contains the value of constant `k`

- **return value:**

`$v0`: minimum value of  $f(x, y)$

- **guarantee**

- the value of the parameters is such that all intermediate and final results fit within 32-bit integers

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