

# Exercise Sheet 1

## Parallel Computing 1 in WS 2022/23

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**Exercise 1.1** (*Write operations to arrays in the ideal cache model*).

Consider a two-dimensional integer array  $x$  with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns written in the language C. Suppose this array is assigned values in the following row-based variant

```
for(int i=0; i<m; i++){  
    for(int j=0; j<n; j++){  
        x[i][j] = i+j;  
    }  
}
```

Consider also the column-based variant that switches the order of the nested loops such that  $j$  is the loop index of the outer loop and  $i$  is the index of the inner loop.

- Analyze the two different variants in the ideal cache model with cache size  $M$  and cache line size  $B$ . (Suppose that the size of an integer is one word.) Give the cache complexity of the two variants for the cases  $mn \ll M$  and  $mn \gg M$ .
- Implement the row- and column-based variants on an architecture of your choice. Find out the values of  $M$  and  $B$  for your architecture. Measure the running times of your implementations and compare them with the predictions based on the ideal cache model.
- Assume that the dimensions  $m$  and  $n$  are both multiples of a parameter  $s$ . Derive a blocked algorithm that uses blocks of size  $s \times s$ . Derive its cache complexity in the ideal cache model and compare the results with those of the row- and column-based variants.