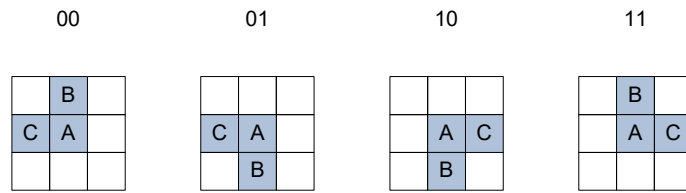


Cluster_r

Orientations



hitmerge outputs

Possible grow block boundaries

dout_a



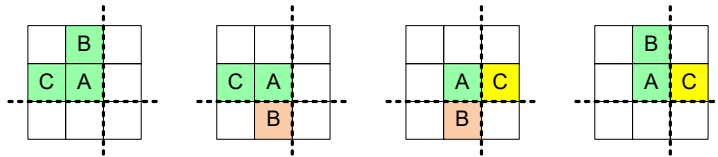
dout_b



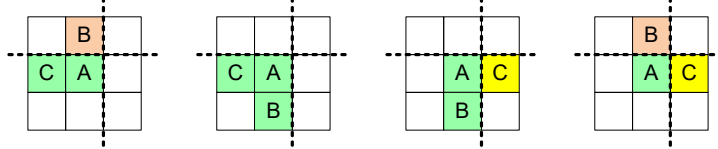
dout_c



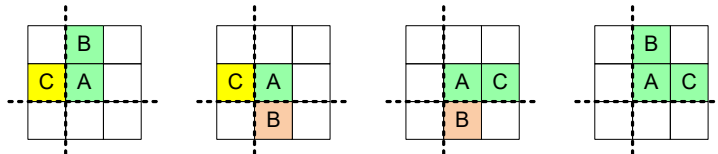
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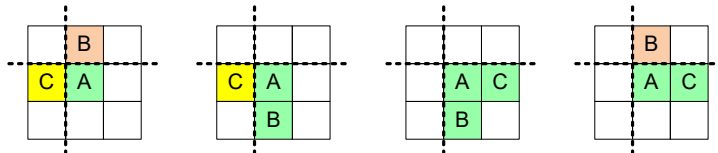
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merged_ab=1
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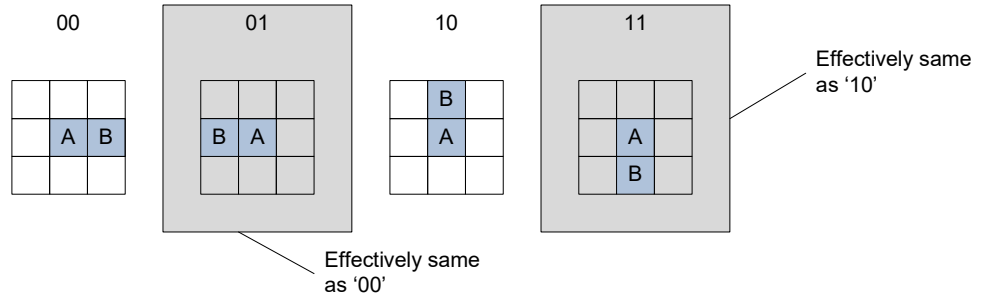
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merged_ac=0




All output can be done using
merged_ab and merged_bc


Cluster_2x1

Orientations

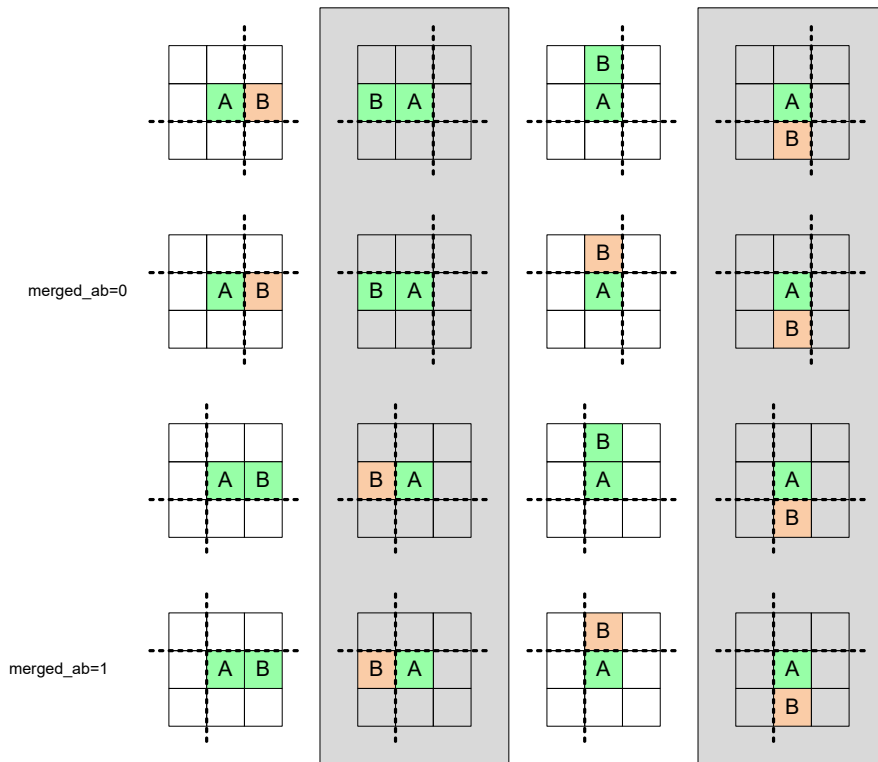


hitmerge outputs

dout_a 

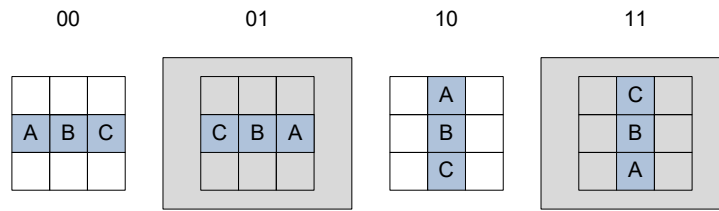
dout_b 

Possible grow block boundaries





Cluster_3x1


Orientations



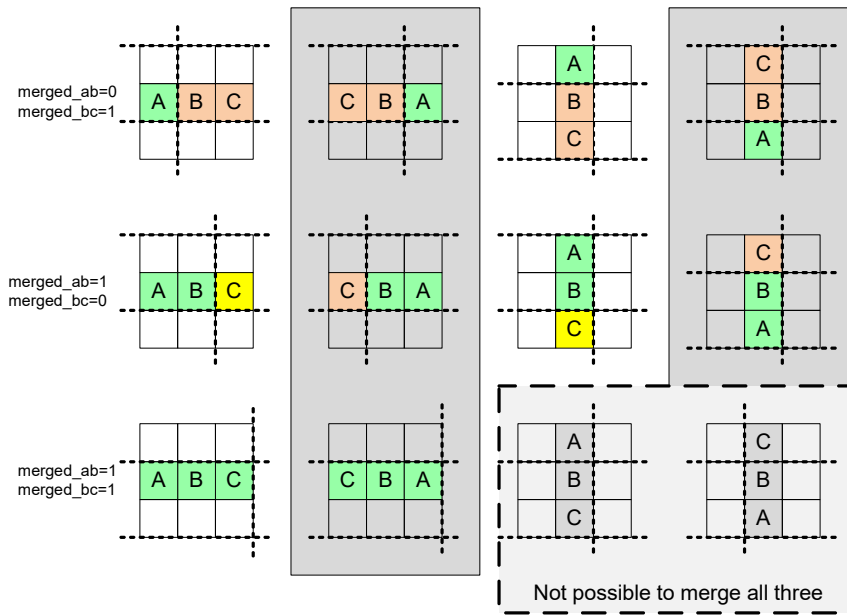
hitmerge outputs

dout_a 

dout_b 

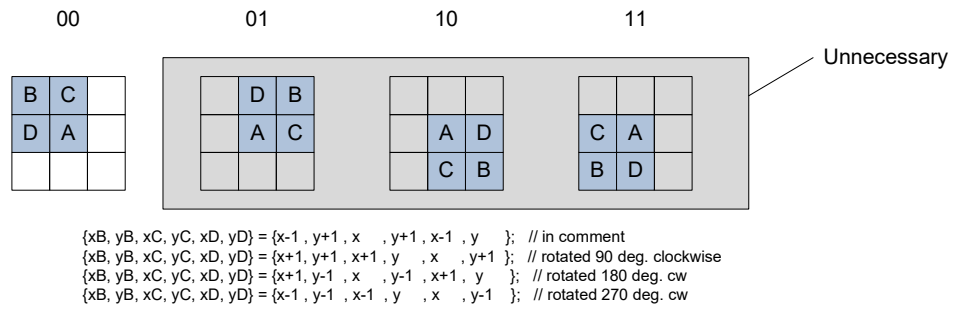
dout_c 

Possible grow block boundaries

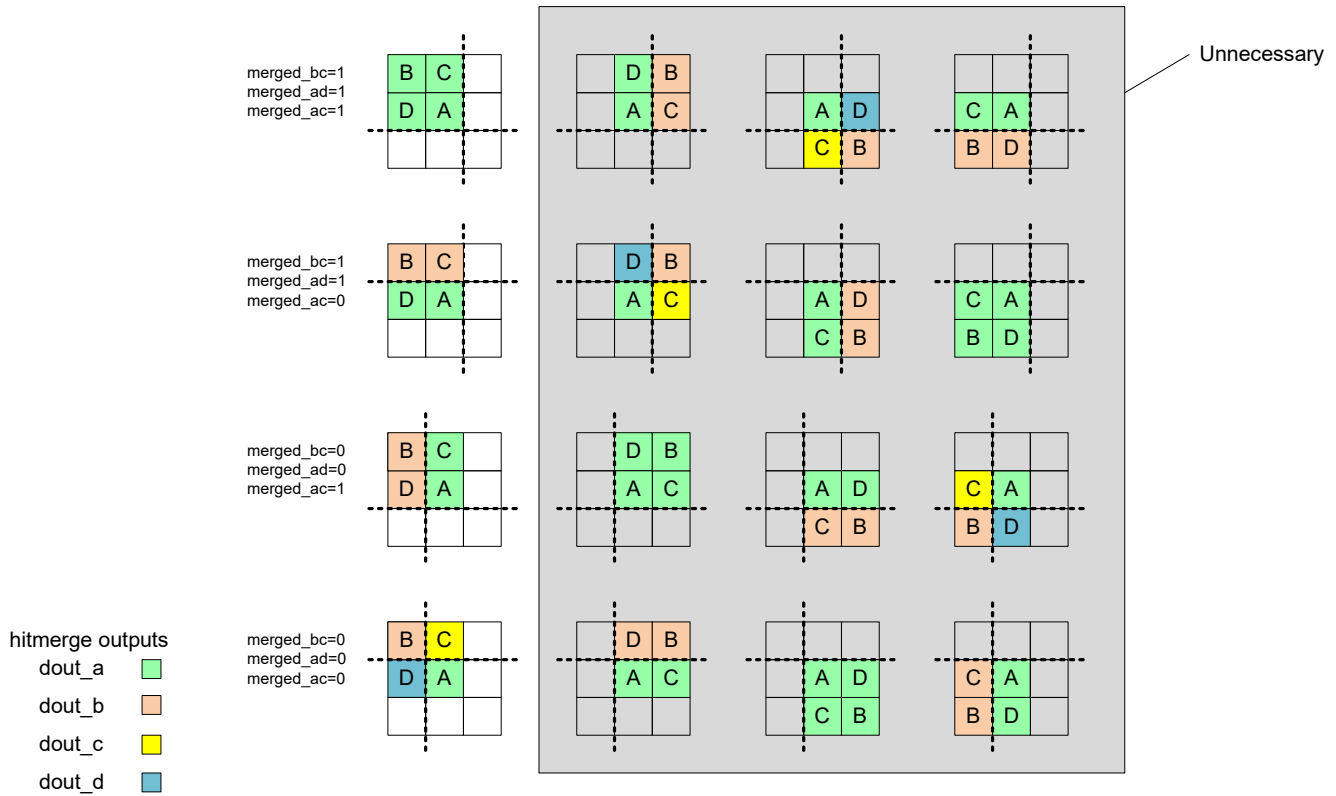


Cluster_2x2

Orientations

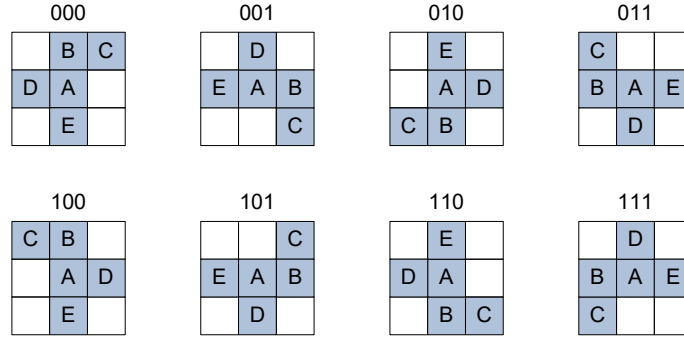


Possible grow block boundaries



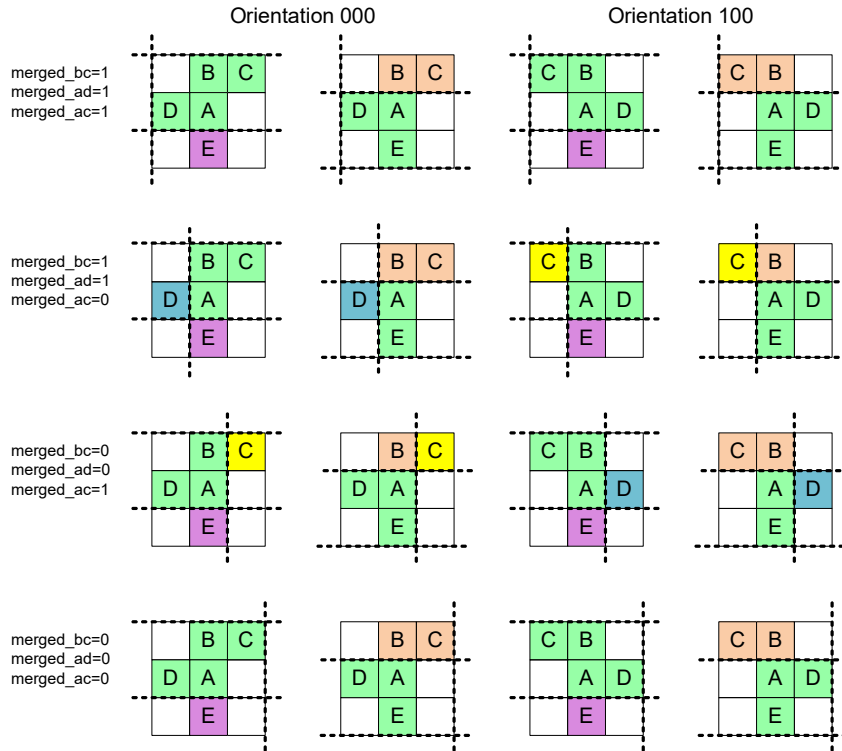
Cluster_F

Orientations



3'd0: {xB, yB, xC, yC, xD, yD, xE, yE} = {x, y+9'd1, x+9'd1, y+9'd1, x-9'd1, y, x, y-9'd1}; // in comment
 3'd1: {xB, yB, xC, yC, xD, yD, xE, yE} = {x+9'd1, y, x+9'd1, y-9'd1, x, y+9'd1, x-9'd1, y}; // rotated 90 deg. clockwise
 3'd2: {xB, yB, xC, yC, xD, yD, xE, yE} = {x, y-9'd1, x-9'd1, y-9'd1, x+9'd1, y, x, y+9'd1}; // rotated 180 deg. cw
 3'd3: {xB, yB, xC, yC, xD, yD, xE, yE} = {x-9'd1, y, x-9'd1, y+9'd1, x, y-9'd1, x+9'd1, y}; // rotated 270 deg. cw
 3'd4: {xB, yB, xC, yC, xD, yD, xE, yE} = {x, y+9'd1, x-9'd1, y+9'd1, x+9'd1, y, x, y-9'd1}; // mirrored
 3'd5: {xB, yB, xC, yC, xD, yD, xE, yE} = {x+9'd1, y, x+9'd1, y+9'd1, x, y-9'd1, x-9'd1, y}; // mirrored and rotated 90 deg. cw
 3'd6: {xB, yB, xC, yC, xD, yD, xE, yE} = {x, y-9'd1, x+9'd1, y-9'd1, x-9'd1, y, x, y+9'd1}; // mirrored and rotated 180 deg. cw
 3'd7: {xB, yB, xC, yC, xD, yD, xE, yE} = {x-9'd1, y, x-9'd1, y-9'd1, x, y+9'd1, x+9'd1, y}; // mirrored and rotated 270 deg. cw

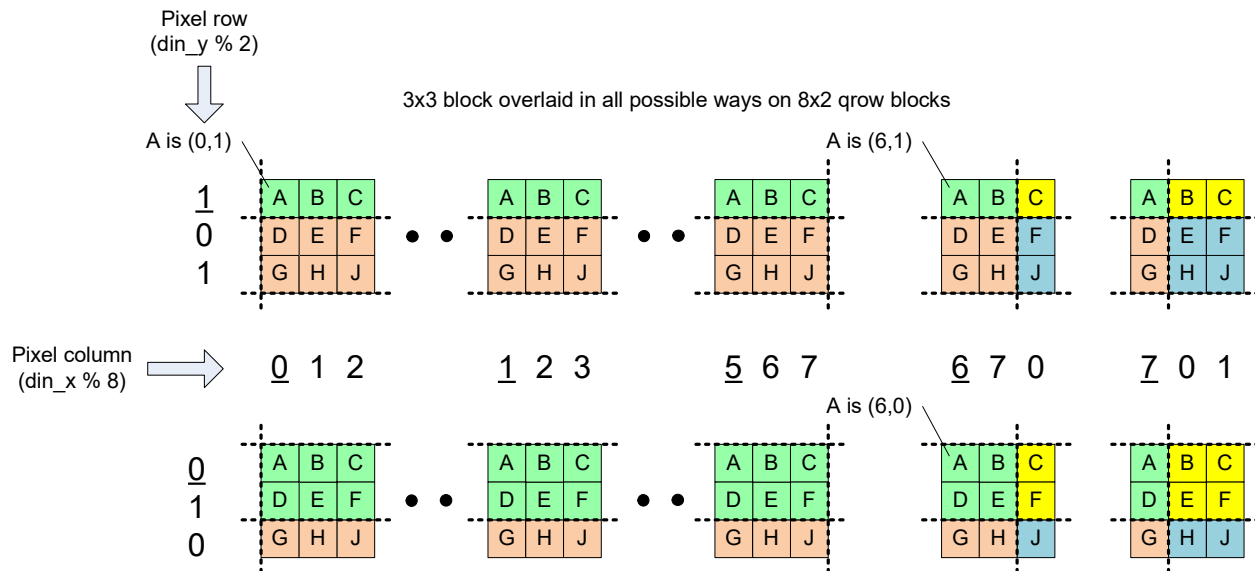
Possible grow block boundaries



hitmerge outputs

dout_a ■
 dout_b ■
 dout_c ■
 dout_d ■
 dout_e ■

Cluster_3x3



Outputs

- First ■
- Second ■
- Third ■
- Fourth ■

Input location of pixel 'A': $\text{din}_x[8:0]$ and $\text{din}_y[8:0]$ and a 9-bit pattern $\text{patt}[A B C D E F G H J]$ with a '1' representing an over-threshold bit.

Use $\text{din}_y[0]$ ($\text{din}_y \% 2$) and $\text{din}_x[2:0]$ ($\text{din}_x \% 8$) to find the corresponding diagram above. Calculate the ccol and grow values for either two or four sequential outputs.

$\text{ccol0} = \text{din}_x[8:3] + 1$ (ccol from 1 to TBD)
 $\text{grow0} = \text{din}_y[8:1]$

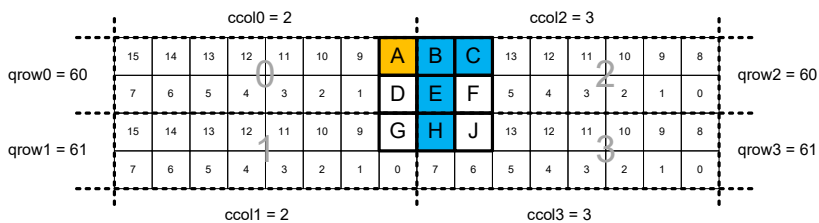
$\text{ccol1} = \text{din}_x[8:3] + 1$
 $\text{grow1} = \text{din}_y[8:1] + 1$

$\text{ccol2} = \text{din}_x[8:3] + 2$
 $\text{grow2} = \text{din}_y[8:1]$

$\text{ccol3} = \text{din}_x[8:3] + 2$
 $\text{grow3} = \text{din}_y[8:1] + 1$

The hitmap for each of the two, or four, outputs is made by OR'ing and shifting the corresponding bits. See the example below.

Example : Cluster_T



There are 50 core columns and 48 core rows = $48 \times 4 = 192$ grows

$\text{din}_x[8:0] = 24$, $\text{din}_y = 120$, $\text{patt} = 111\ 010\ 010$
 $\text{din}_x[3:0] = 7$, $\text{din}_y[0] = 0$

$\text{ccol0} = 2$, $\text{grow0} = 60$
 $\text{hitmap0} = (A \ll 8) + D = 0000\ 0001\ 0000\ 0000$

$\text{ccol1} = 2$, $\text{grow1} = 61$
 $\text{hitmap1} = G \ll 8 = 0000\ 0000\ 0000\ 0000$ (no output)

$\text{ccol2} = 3$, $\text{grow2} = 60$
 $\text{hitmap2} = (B \ll 15) + (C \ll 14) + (E \ll 7) + (F \ll 6)$
 $= 1100\ 0000\ 1000\ 0000$

$\text{ccol3} = 3$, $\text{grow3} = 61$
 $\text{hitmap3} = (H \ll 15) + (J \ll 14) = 1000\ 0000\ 0000\ 0000$
 $\text{is_neighbor} = 1$

An improvement over purely random X,Y generation for the location of pixel A is to increase Y by a random amount while keeping $X[8:3]$ constant and randomly varying $X[2:0]$ and when it exceeds the number of rows, increasing X by $8 \times N$ with a minimum of 16. This would cause a consecutive series of outputs to be in ccol N and N+1. The hits in ccol N+1 could be buffered until ccol N is completed. These would be then be output while outputs in ccol N+2 and N+3 are generated. This way no duplicate grow blocks would be produced and is_last and is_neighbor can be set appropriately. Bloom filters would not be needed since grow block outputs happen in the same order as the chip (top-to-bottom in a column and left to right columns) and there would be no outputs

How would horizontal and vertical lines be integrated into this?

Vertical lines would be fairly straightforward because a series of consecutive blocks with the same ccol and incrementing grow with a fixed 2x1 vertical hitmap would be generated. Clusters would be re-started in the same ccol as the vertical line in a row after the line is completed (or the next ccol if the line ends at the bottom of the column.

A horizontal line could be made by incrementing the ccol but this would prevent clusters from being placed in any cell in the ccols spanned by the line. Also, is_last would have to be set on every output hit.