Parallelized maze routing

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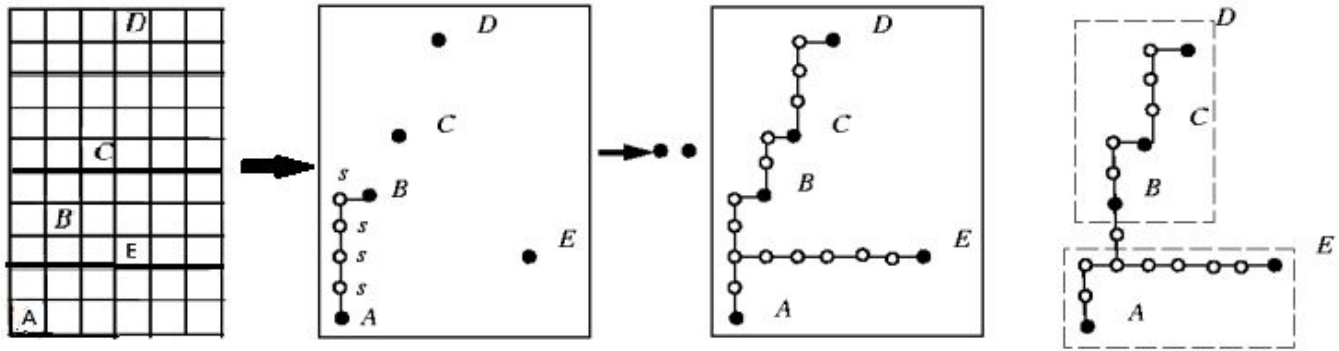
What is maze routing ?

- Commonly used in global routing or detailed routing in EDA tool
- Briefly speaking, find the minimum cost bewteen pins in grid graph
- Easy to implement but time-consuming



This project

- Using CUDA and openMP to accelerate maze routing.
- Implement the idea from the paper “GAMER: GPU Accelerated Maze Routing”

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- On a given weighted graph, given k pins, find a shortest path connecting k pins.
- Input
  - H: grid graph height
  - W: grid graph width
  - Pins: pin’s (x, y) coordinate
  - Weights: vertical / horizontal
- Output : A k-pin shortest path
  - Path: all (x, y) coordinate

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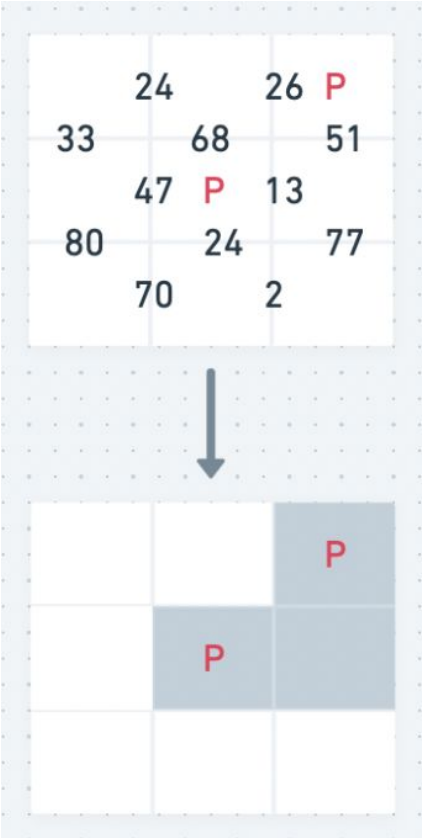

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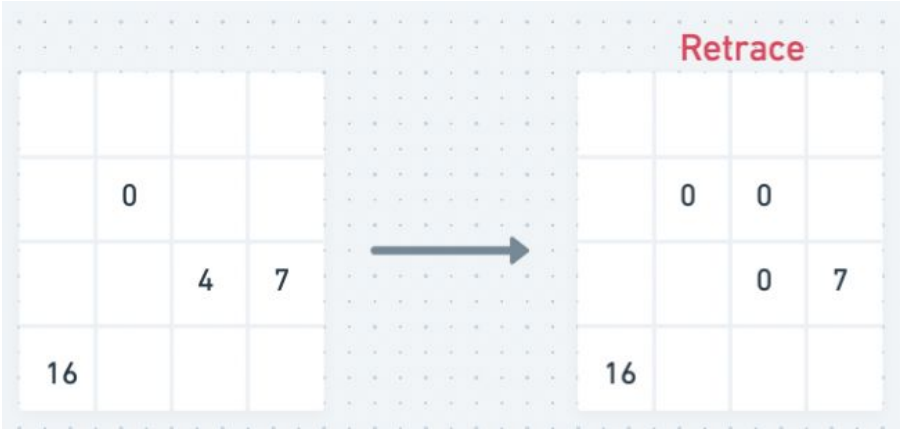


Sweep

- Dynamic programming
- Horizontal / Vertical with two directions

Algorithm 1: $O(n)$ Dynamic Programming Sweep

input : distance d, wire cost c
output: updated distance d

1: **for** $i \leftarrow 1$ **to** $n-1$ **do**
2: $\quad d(i) \leftarrow min\{d(i), d(i-1)+c(i)\}$
3: **end for**

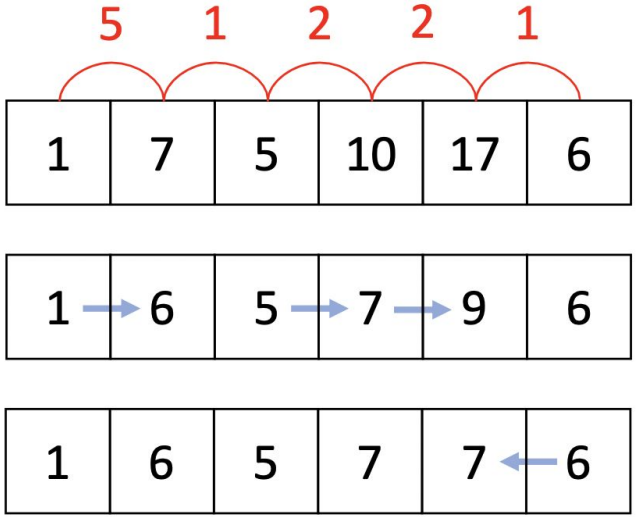
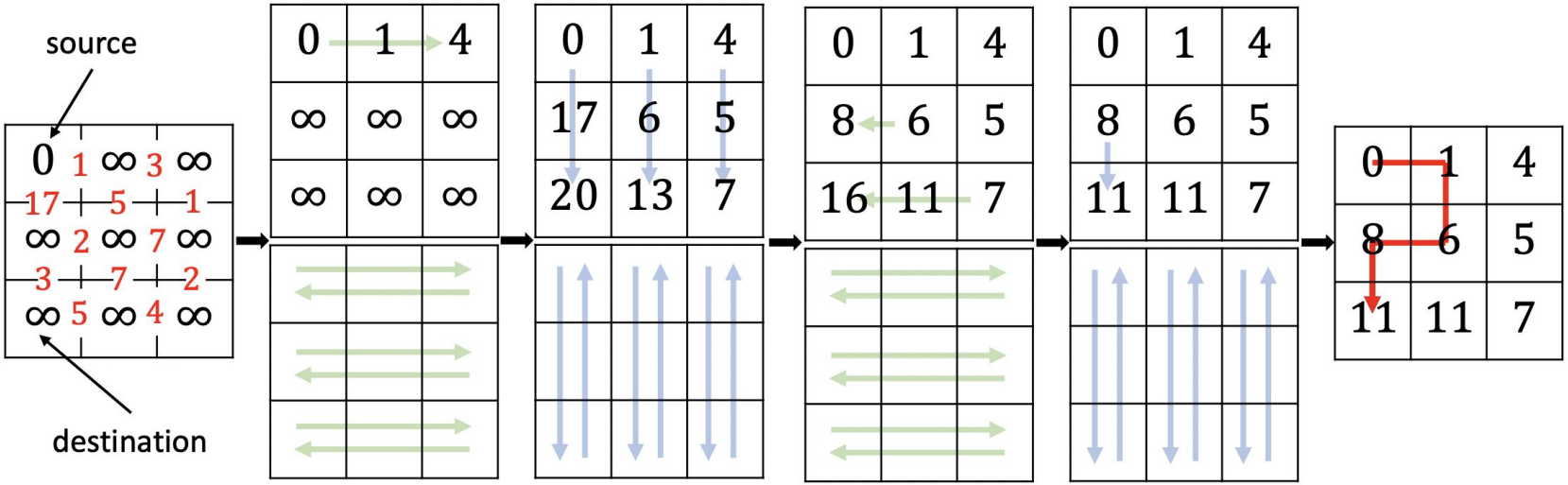


Fig. 3: Sweep

Sweep

- Iteratively performing vertical / horizontal sweeps with direction change.
- Until the grid cost are all minimal.



Sweep with divide and conquer (completed)

- Different rows and columns can work in parallel
- Parallelize inside the row and column (Groups are independent as well)

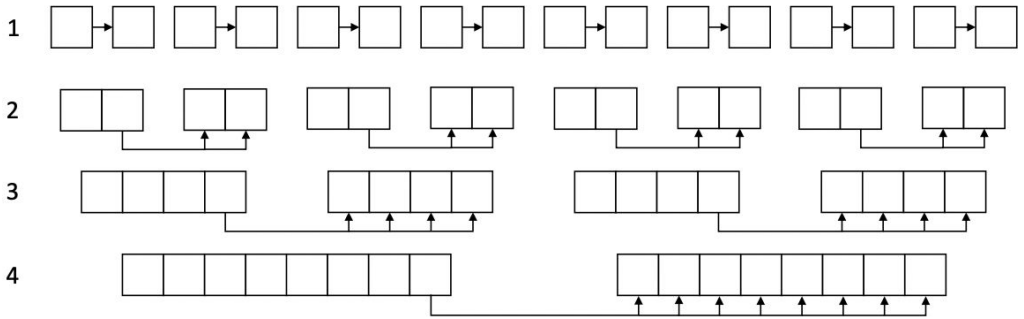


Fig. 5: Parallelizable Sweep

Sweep with reformulation (not completed)

- d(i): cost, c(i): weight
- Turn into two prefix problems

$$s(i) = \sum_{j=0}^{i} c(j)$$

$$d(i) = \min_{0 \le j \le i} \left(d(j) + \sum_{k=j+1}^{i} c(k) \right) \qquad (1)$$

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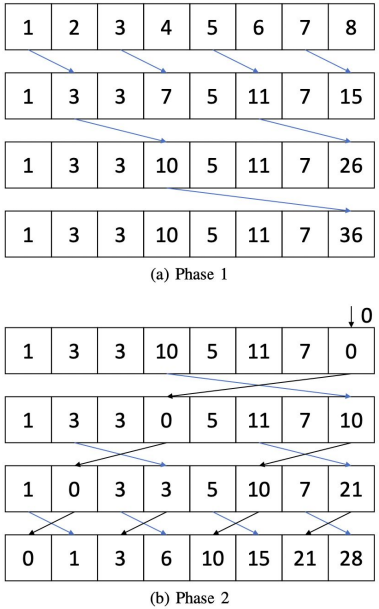
- d(i): cost, c(i): weight, s(i): prefix sum weight
- Prefix sum can be calculated by parallel exclusive



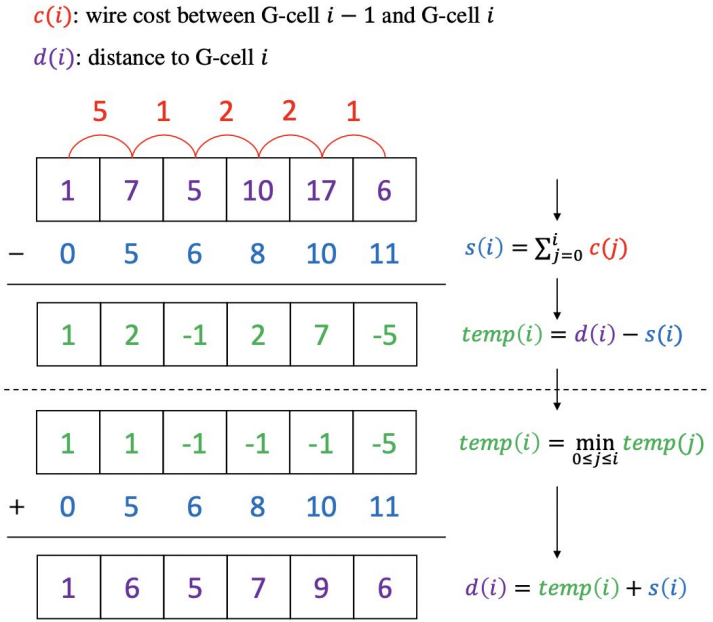


Fig. 6: Sweep by Prefix Sum and Prefix Min

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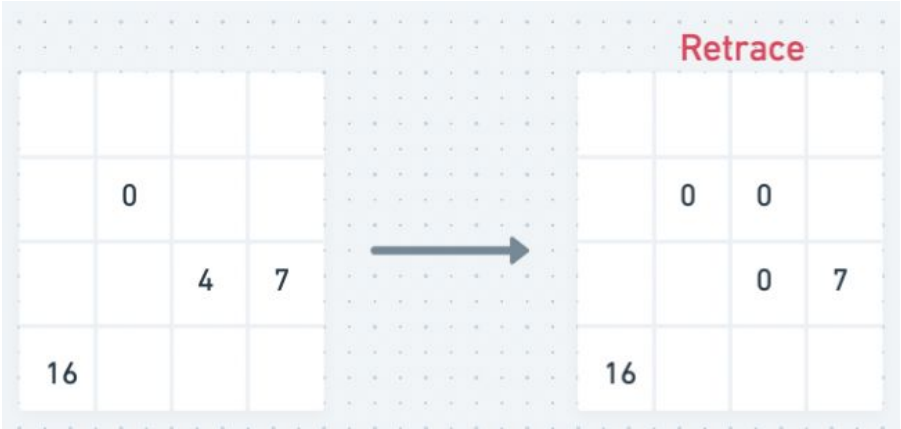
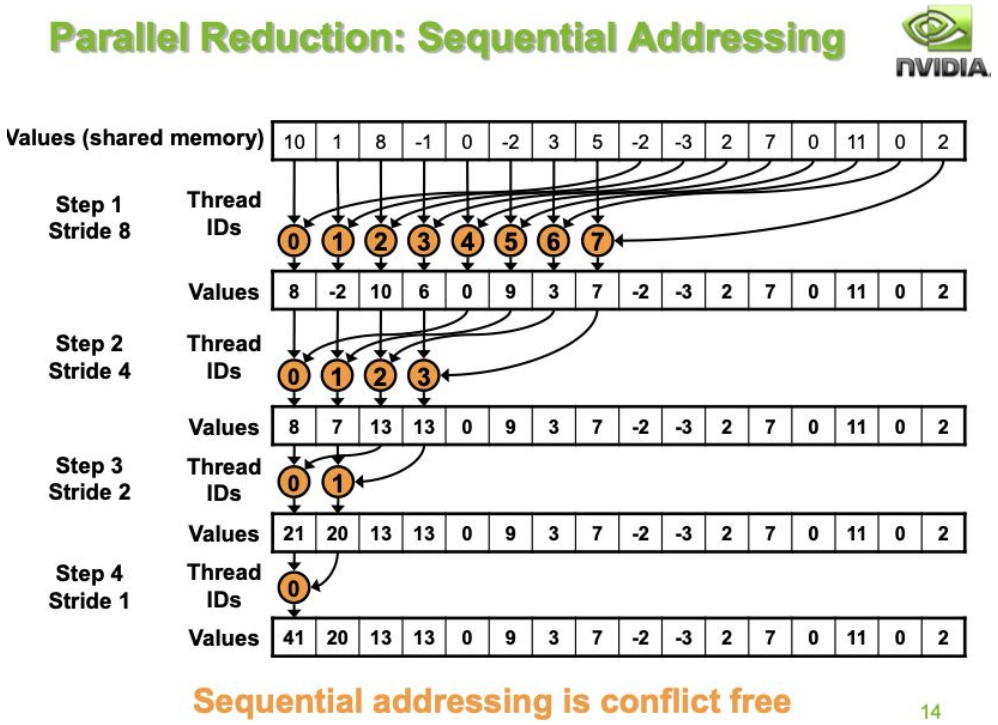


Get minimum cost pin

- Reduction



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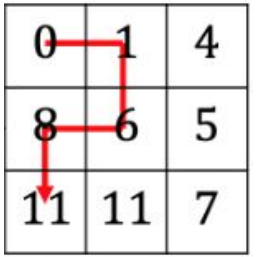
- Omp: Apollo (6 CPUs)
- Cuda: Hades (1 GPU)
- Omp speedup: 3x
- Cuda speedup: 36x

Testcase	W	H	Pins	bfs	sweep	omp	cuda	omp speedup	cuda speedup
1	256	256	4	0.0945	0.3579	0.1331	0.0289	2.69	12.38
2	256	256	8	0.2104	0.6984	0.2658	0.057	2.63	12.25
3	256	256	16	0.3708	1.4031	0.5179	0.1176	2.71	11.93
4	512	512	4	0.5953	6.0169	1.5856	0.2339	3.79	25.72
5	512	512	8	1.3021	11.2363	2.9808	0.3885	3.77	28.92
6	512	512	16	2.6955	24.3993	6.4435	0.8476	3.79	28.79
7	1024	1024	4	6.629	70.5602	20.0804	1.9302	3.51	**36.56**
8	1024	1024	8	11.0103	135.697	37.5864	3.7695	3.61	**36**
9	1024	1024	16	22.2053	292.951	79.7602	8.0401	3.67	**36.44**

Why is sweep much slower than bfs ?



- In simple 2D routing, sweep iterations will be too much
- In practical, via cost (green lines) will reduce the iterations significantly.

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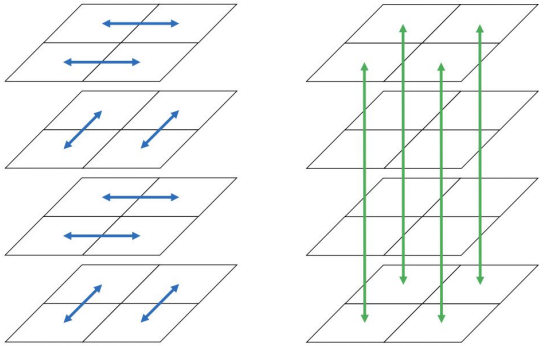

Summary

- Complete sweep divide & conquer version
  - speedup: 36x