

Homework #1

(Due: Oct 20)

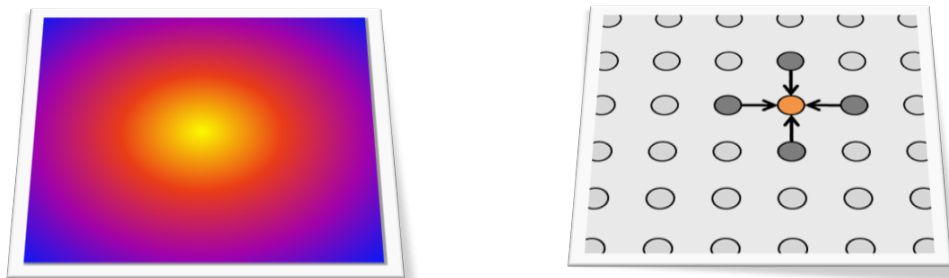


Figure 1: [Task 1] When the partial differential equation describing 2D heat diffusion is discretized in time and space, the approximate heat value at any grid cell (x, y) at time step t can be computed from the heat value at the four of its neighboring cells $(x, y - 1)$, $(x, y + 1)$, $(x - 1, y)$ and $(x + 1, y)$ at time step $t - 1$.

Task 1. [60 Points] 2D Heat Diffusion

In this task we will consider the following partial differential equation that describes heat diffusion in two-dimensional space:

$$\frac{\partial h_t(x, y)}{\partial t} = \alpha \left(\frac{\partial^2 h_t(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 h_t(x, y)}{\partial y^2} \right),$$

where, $h_t(x, y)$ is the heat at a point (x, y) at time t and α is the thermal diffusivity.

By discretizing space and time, the equation above can be solved approximately by using the following update equation:

$$\begin{aligned} h_{t+1}(x, y) = & h_t(x, y) \\ & + \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (h_t(x - 1, y) + h_t(x + 1, y) - 2h_t(x, y)) \\ & + \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (h_t(x, y - 1) + h_t(x, y + 1) - 2h_t(x, y)). \end{aligned}$$

Given an $N_x \times N_y$ grid h with heat values at time step 0, Figure 2 shows how to update h to heat values at time step T using periodic boundary conditions. Clearly, the algorithm runs in $\Theta(N_x N_y T)$ time, i.e., $\Theta(N^3)$ time when $N_x = N_y = T = N$.

In this task you are required to do the following: given an $N \times N$ grid with heat values at time step 0, show how to update the grid with heat values at time step N under periodic boundary conditions in $\mathcal{O}(N^2 \log N)$ time by reducing the problem into a problem of multiplying polynomials. You can assume that N is a power of 2.

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2D-HEAT-DIFFUSION(  $h[0..N_x - 1, 0..N_y - 1], T$  )      { Given an  $N_x \times N_y$  grid  $h$  with heat values at time
                                                         step 0, update  $h$  to heat values at time step  $T$ 
                                                         using periodic boundary conditions.}

1. allocate new grid  $g[0..N_x - 1, 0..N_y - 1]$ 

2. for  $t = 1$  to  $T$  do
3.   for  $x = 0$  to  $N_x - 1$  do
4.     for  $y = 0$  to  $N_y - 1$  do
5.        $g[x, y] \leftarrow h[x, y] + c_x (h[(x + 1) \bmod N_x, y] - 2h[x, y] + h[(x - 1) \bmod N_x, y])$ 
6.        $+ c_y (h[x, (y + 1) \bmod N_y] - 2h[x, y] + h[x, (y - 1) \bmod N_y])$ 

7.   for  $x = 0$  to  $N_x - 1$  do
8.     for  $y = 0$  to  $N_y - 1$  do
9.        $h[x, y] \leftarrow g[x, y]$ 

10. deallocate  $g$ 

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Figure 2: [Task 1] Implementation of a stencil computation for the 2D heat equation with periodic boundary conditions. The constants $c_x = \alpha\Delta t/\Delta x^2$ and $c_y = \alpha\Delta t/\Delta y^2$ are precomputed.

Task 2. [30 Points] Traceless In-place Selection

You are given an array $A[1..n]$ of length n with each cell containing a $\langle height, weight \rangle$ pair. All height values are distinct, and so are all weight values. The array is sorted in increasing order of the height values.

Your task is to design a recursive divide-and-conquer algorithm that given an integer $k \in [1, n]$, finds the entry with the k^{th} smallest weight value. You are allowed to use only $\mathcal{O}(1)$ extra space in every level of recursion. Though your algorithm is permitted to reorder the entries of A if required, it must restore the original order of the entries before termination. Your algorithm must run in $\Theta(n)$ time.

Task 3. [50 Points] Blocking in Recursive Selection

Figure 3 shows a slightly generalized version of the selection algorithm we saw in the class. Instead of using a single block size (e.g., 5) at all levels of recursion, it uses block size s_{rare} at levels that are divisible by 3 (levels start from 1), and s_{freq} at all other levels. Now the base case size b is also a parameter to the algorithm. Observe that when $b = 140$ and $s_{rare} = s_{freq} = 5$, the algorithm reduces to the one we saw in the class.

- (a) [10 Points] Write a recurrence relation describing the running time of SELECT on an array of size n assuming $s_{rare} = s_{freq} = 3$. What is the best running time you get by solving the

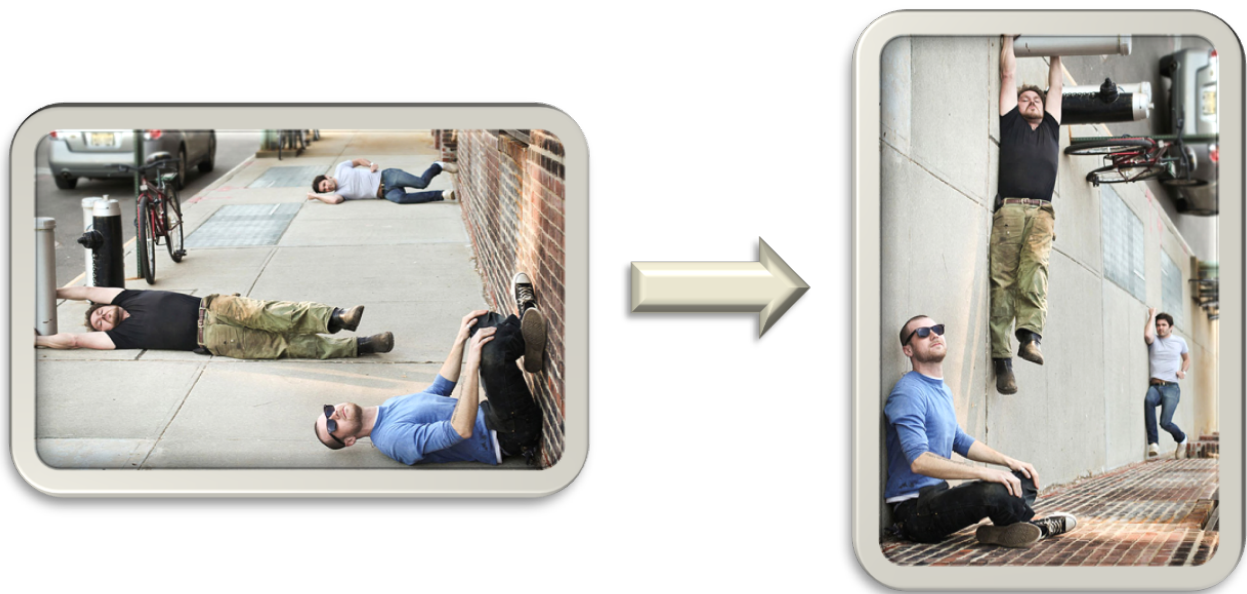


Figure 4: [Task 4] Sometimes rotating a photo clockwise by 90° can help you understand the real story behind the photo. For example, in the photo above you won't realize that the guy in the black t-shirt is dangerously hanging from above until you rotate the photo clockwise. In the original photo they seem like relaxing on the sidewalk like everyone does. Photo credit: Steph Goralnick.

Task 4. [40 Points] Image Rotation

Sometimes rotating an image clockwise by 90° can be very useful as Figure 4 shows. This task asks you to do something simpler: rotate an $n \times n$ clockwise by 90° , where n is a power of 2. However, you must design recursive divide-and-conquer algorithms for solving the problem and must not use more than $\Theta(1)$ extra space in any level of recursion.

Figure 5 shows a recursive divide-and-conquer approach for solving our problem. You first divide the image Q into four quadrants Q_1 , Q_2 , Q_3 and Q_4 . Then move each quadrant clockwise to occupy the position of the next quadrant in the sequence, that is, move Q_1 to the location of Q_2 , Q_2 to the location of Q_4 , Q_4 to the location of Q_3 , and Q_3 to the location of Q_1 . Finally, rotate each quadrant recursively. The result is a version of Q rotated in the clockwise direction by 90° .

- (a) [10 Points] Show that the algorithm described above based on Figure 5 runs in $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$ time.
- (b) [30 Points] Extend the idea shown in Figure 5 to design a recursive divide-and-conquer algorithm that runs in $\Theta(n^2)$ time.

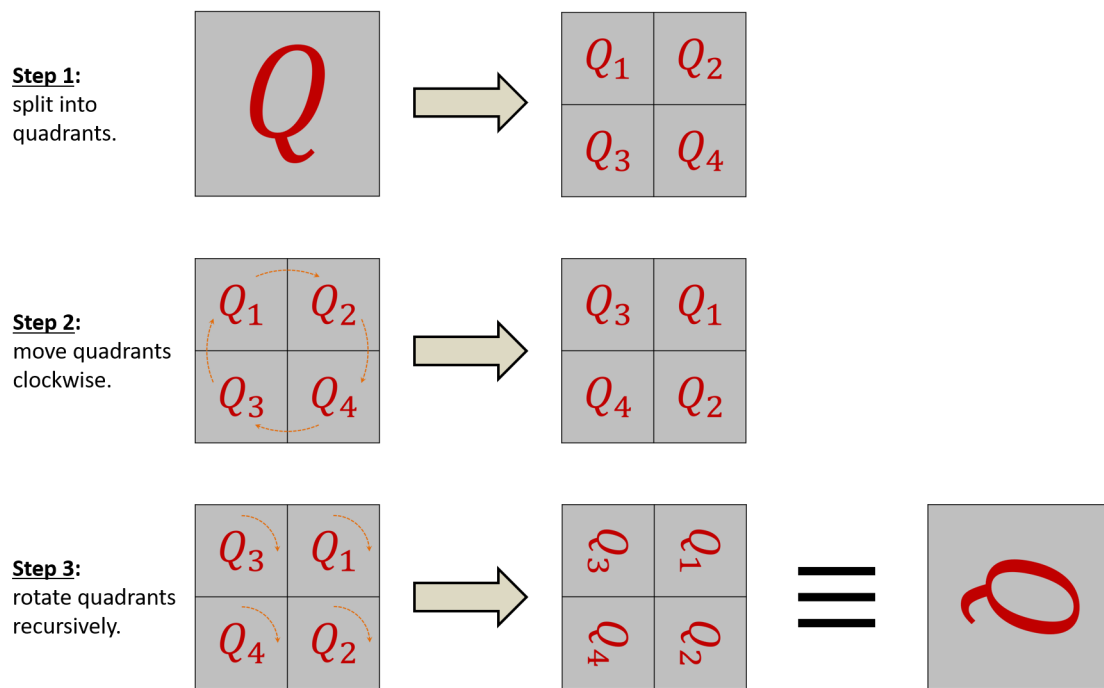


Figure 5: [Task 4] A recursive algorithm for rotating $n \times n$ images, where n is a power of 2.