15-213 Recitation: Style and Blocking

Your TAs

Monday, Feb. 27th, 2023

Agenda

- Logistics
- Code Reviews
- Cache Lab
- Blocking
- Intro to Git

Logistics

- Cache Lab is due **Thursday, March 2nd** at 11:59pm
- NO Midterm!
- Drop date **Monday, Feb. 27th (today)**
- Make sure you have Github working so you can commit your code!

Cache Lab: Cache Simulator Hints

- Goal: Count hits, misses, evictions and # of dirty bytes
- Procedure
  - Least Recently Used (LRU) replacement policy
  - Structs are good for storing cache line parts (valid bit, tag, LRU counter, etc.)
  - A cache is like a 2D array of cache lines

```
struct cache_line cache[S][E];
```

- Your simulator needs to handle different values of S, E, and b (block size) given at run time
  - Dynamically allocate memory!
- Dirty bytes: any payload byte whose corresponding cache block's dirty bit is set (i.e. the payload of that block has been modified, but not yet written back to main memory)

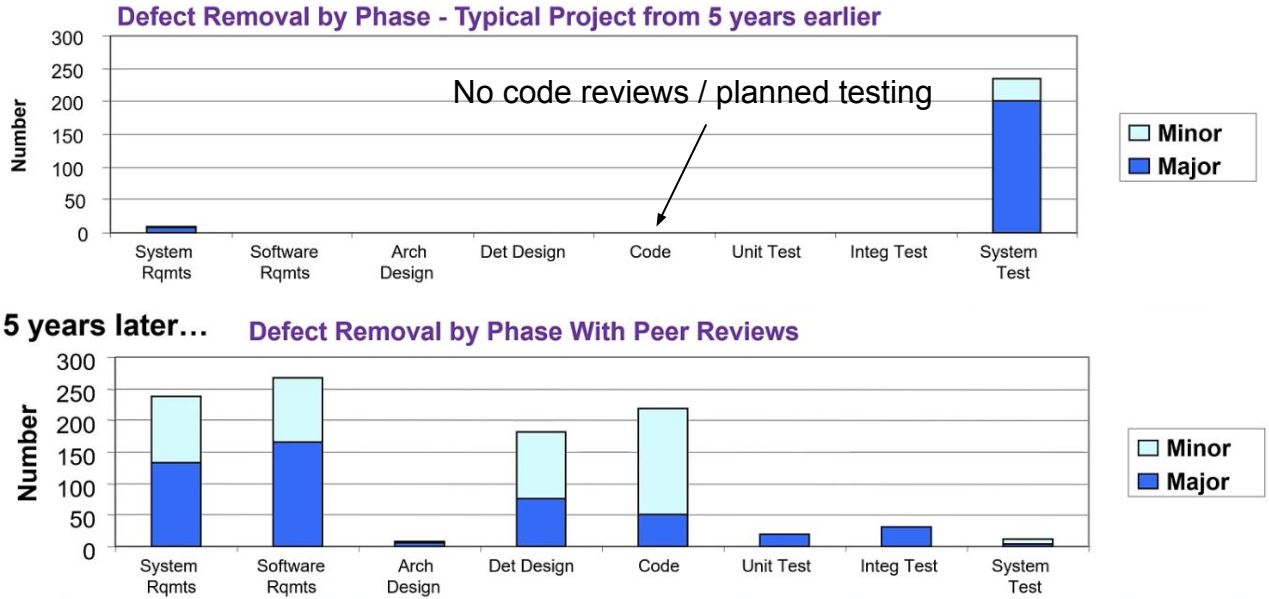
Code Reviews

Code Reviews

- Why code reviews?
  - Used in industry - Nearly all companies utilize code reviews
  - Systematic code reviews are highly effective at finding bugs efficiently and effectively.

Code Reviews

- Industry example from an embedded system machine critical pipeline flow device requiring high software quality



The same team implemented testing and code reviews. This is a similar project done 5 years later.

Example from CMU 18-642 https://course.ece.cmu.edu/~ece642/ , Sourced from Roger G. 2005

Code Review Signup

- All students in the course will receive an email with a link to signup for a code review timeslot.
- All students will receive a final style score from 0-4 points
- 213 code reviews will be short (<= 15 minutes) and cover code style and code quality.

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Code Style

- Properly document your code
  - Function + File header comments, overall operation of large blocks, any tricky bits
- Write robust code – check error and failure conditions
- Write modular code
  - Use interfaces for data structures, e.g. create/insert/remove/free functions for a linked list
  - No magic numbers – use `#define` or `static const`
- Formatting
  - 80 characters per line (use Autolab's highlight feature to double-check)
  - Consistent braces and whitespace
- No memory or file descriptor leaks

Blocking

Example: Matrix Multiplication

```
/* multiply 4x4 matrices */
void mm(int a[4][4], int b[4][4], int c[4][4]) {
    int i, j, k;
    for (i = 0; i < 4; i++)
        for (j = 0; j < 4; j++)
            for (k = 0; k < 4; k++)
                c[i][j] += a[i][k] * b[k][j];
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Let's step through this to see what's actually happening

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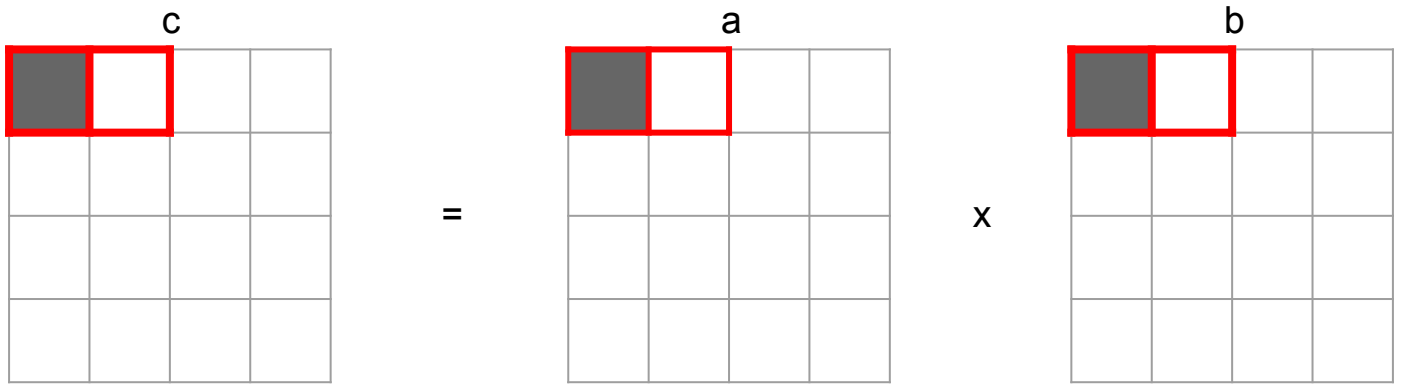

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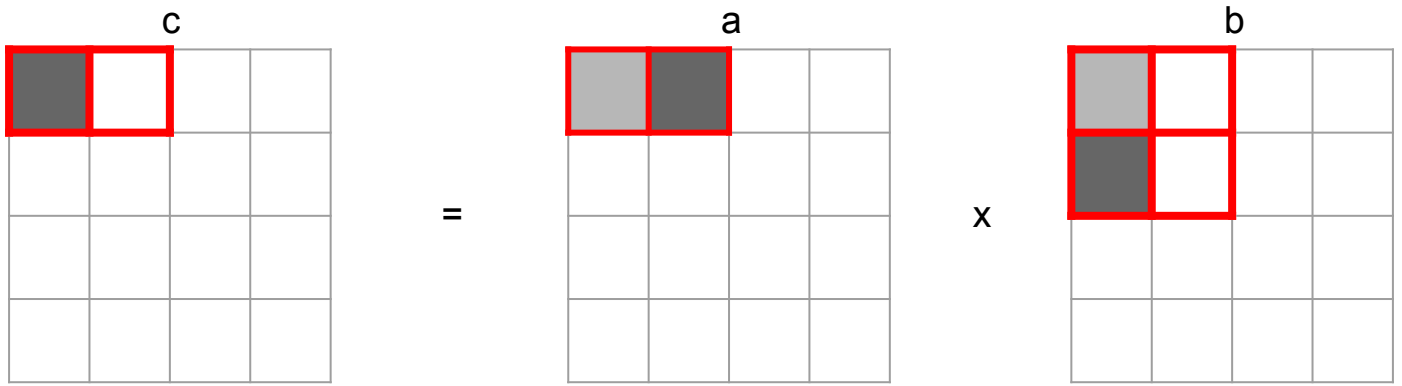

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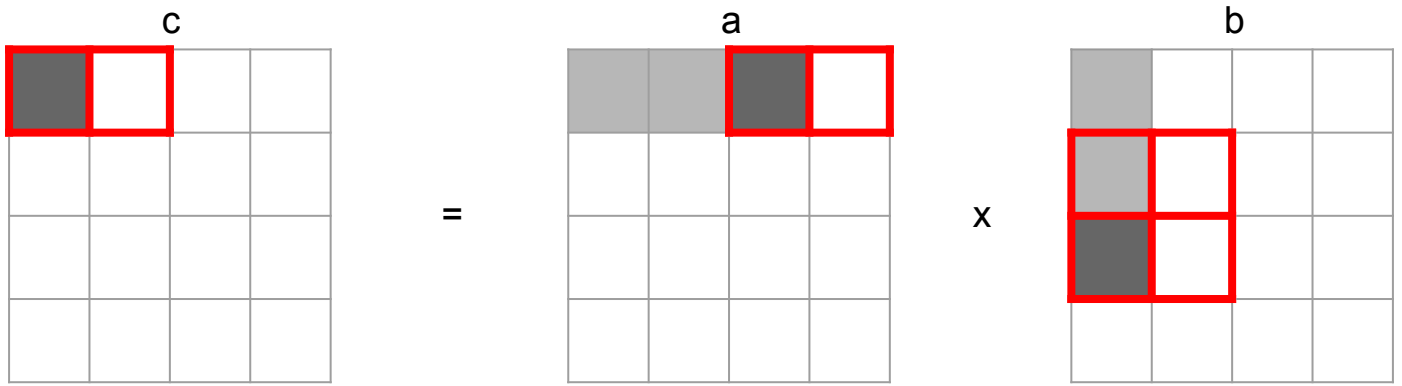

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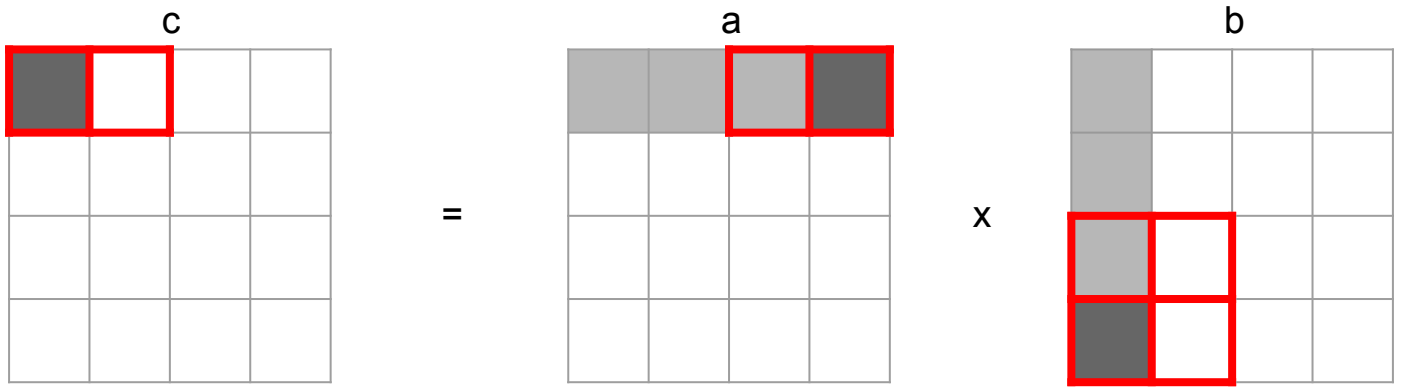

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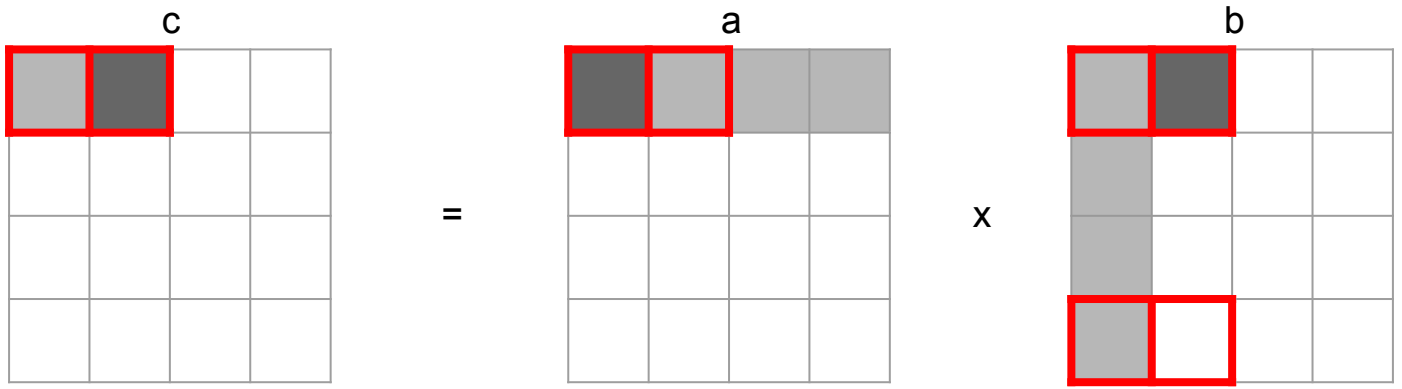

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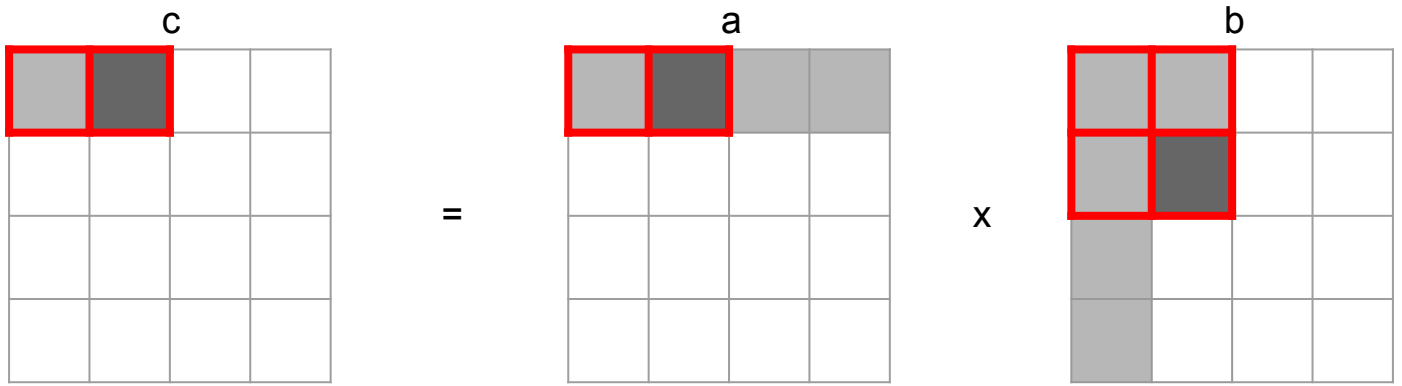

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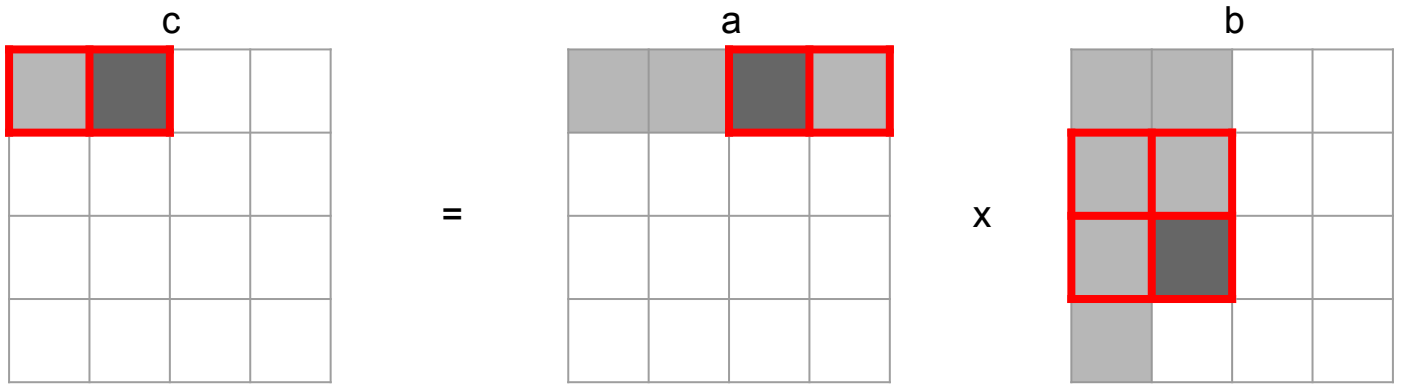

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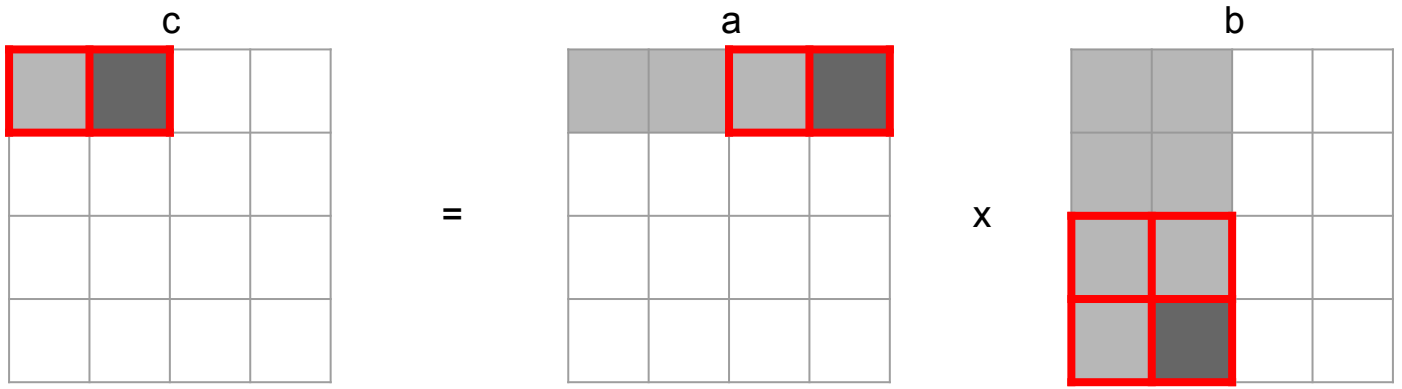

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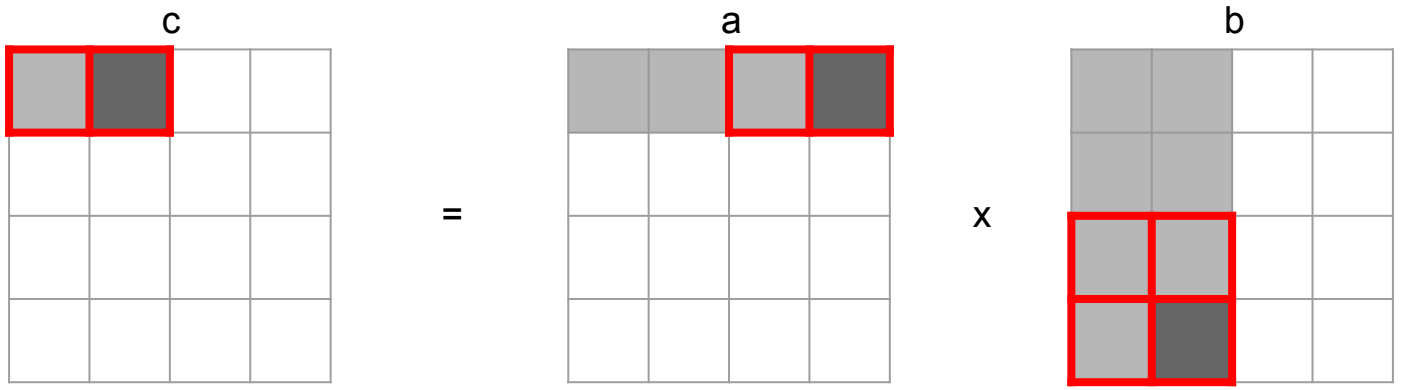

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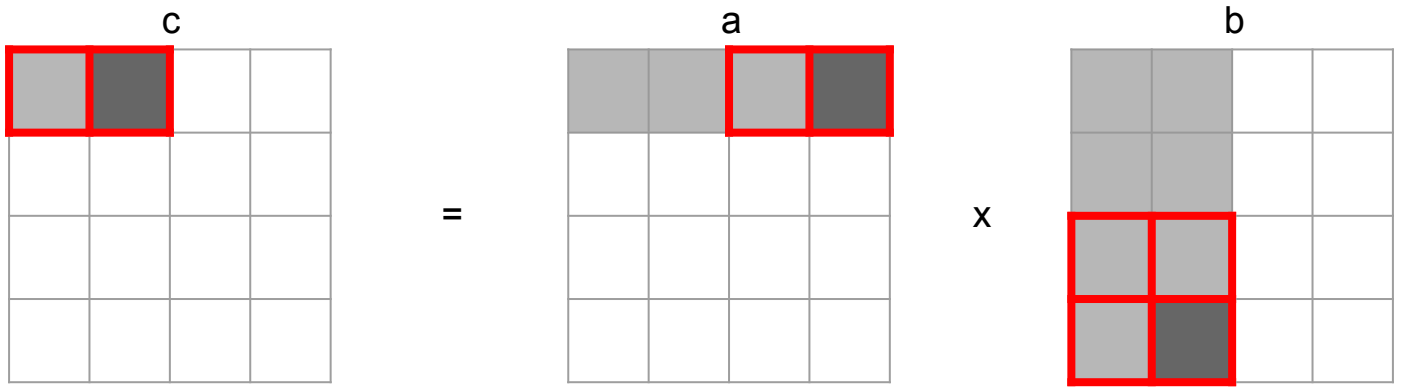

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What is the miss rate of b?

Example: Matrix Multiplication (blocking)

```
/* multiply 4x4 matrices using blocks of size 2 */
void mm_blocking(int a[4][4], int b[4][4], int c[4][4]) {
    int i, j, k;
    int i_c, j_c, k_c;
    int B = 2;
    // control loops
    for (i_c = 0; i_c < 4; i_c += B)
        for (j_c = 0; j_c < 4; j_c += B)
            for (k_c = 0; k_c < 4; k_c += B)
                // block multiplications
                for (i = i_c; i < i_c + B; i++)
                    for (j = j_c; j < j_c + B; j++)
                        for (k = k_c; k < k_c + B; k++)
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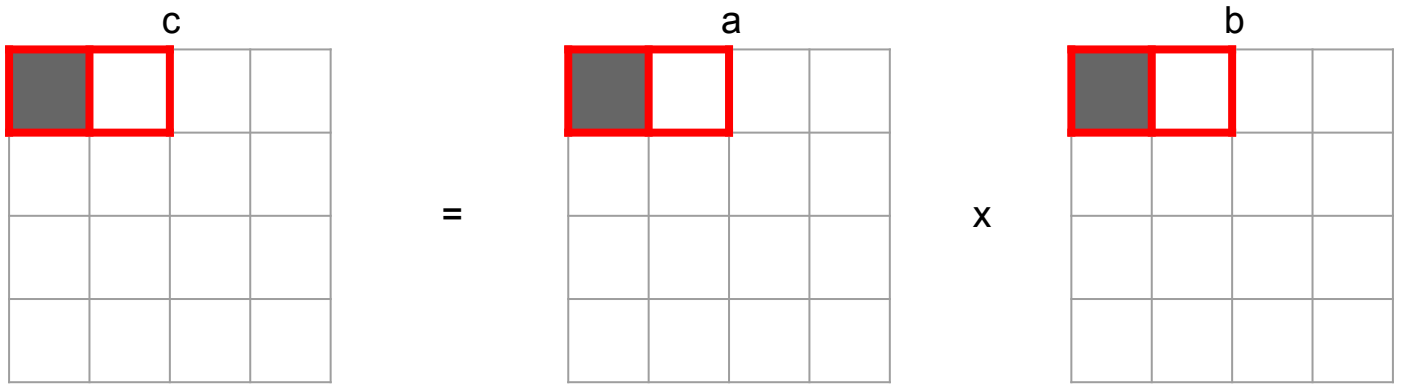

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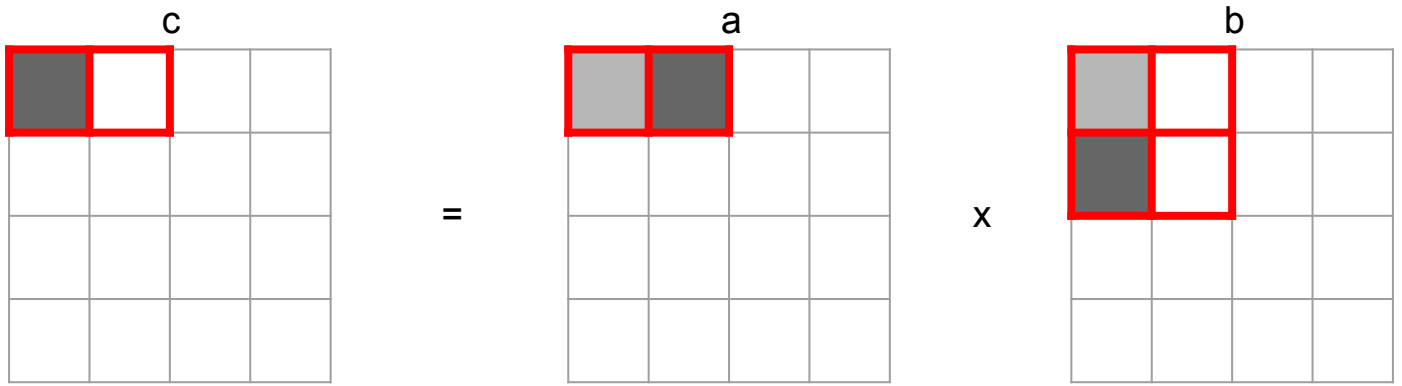

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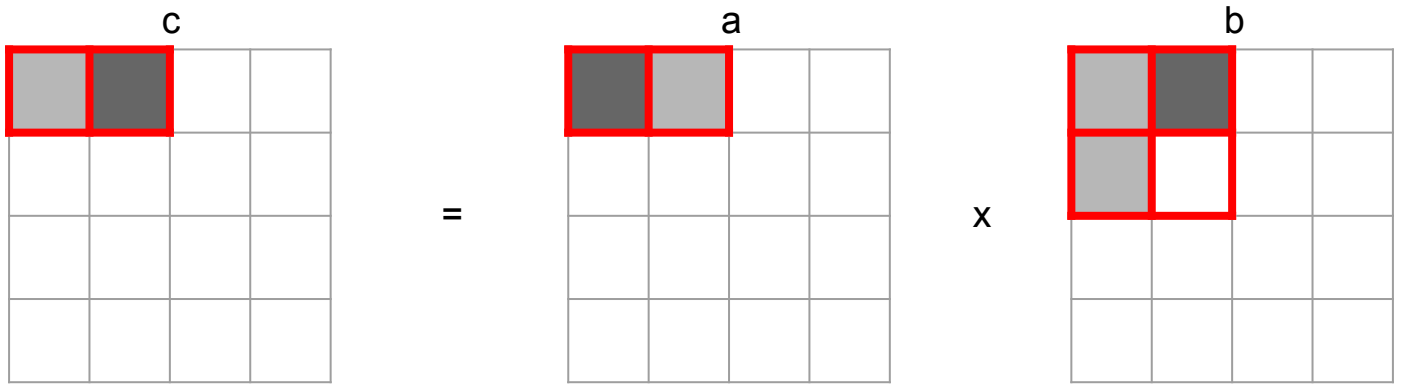

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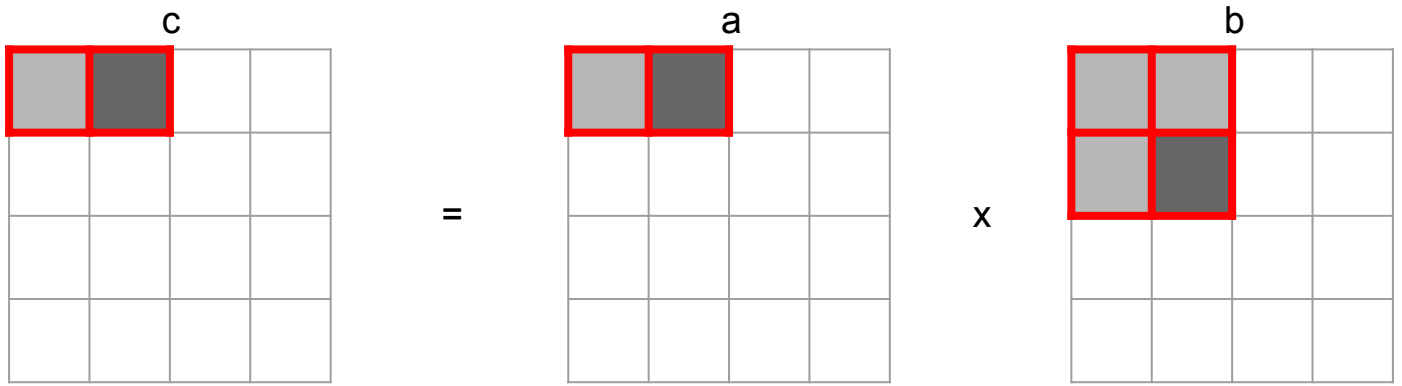

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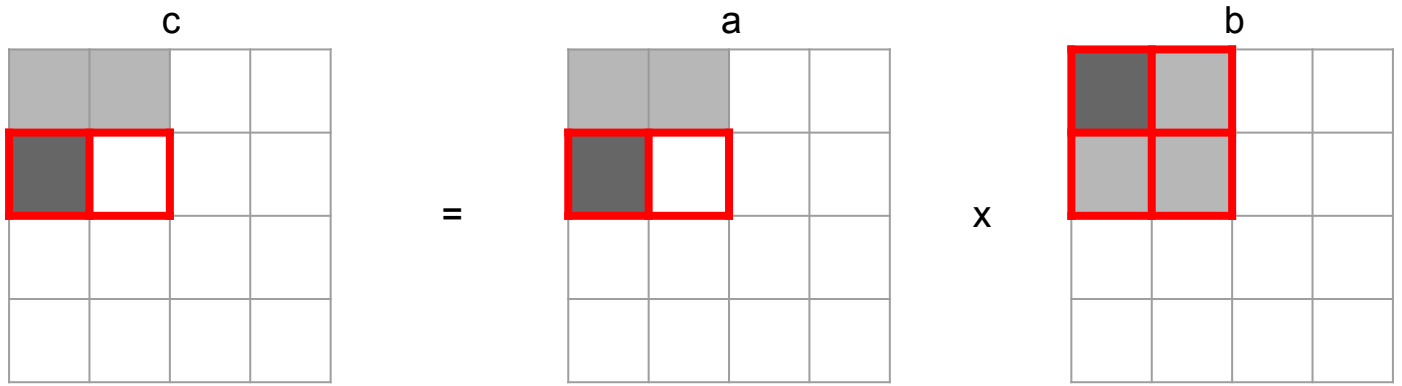

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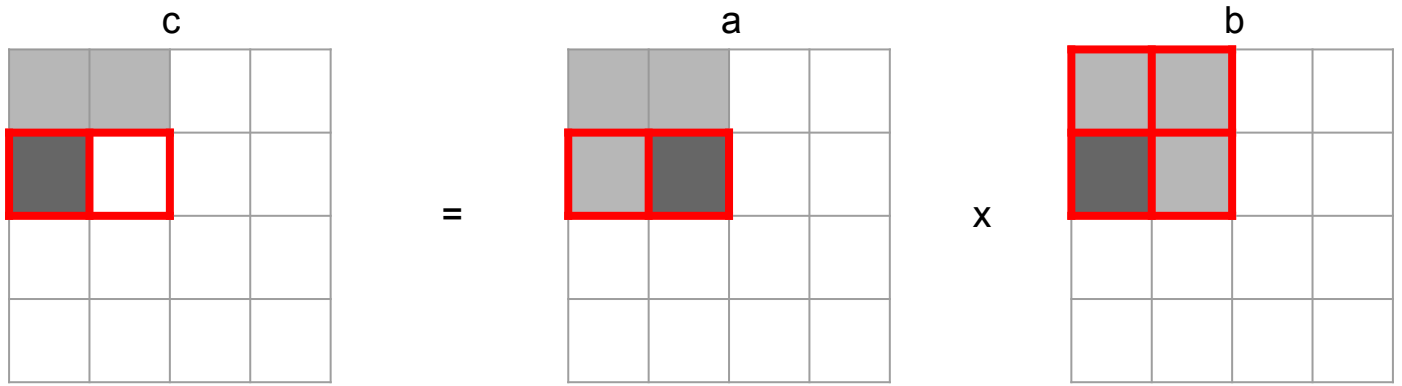

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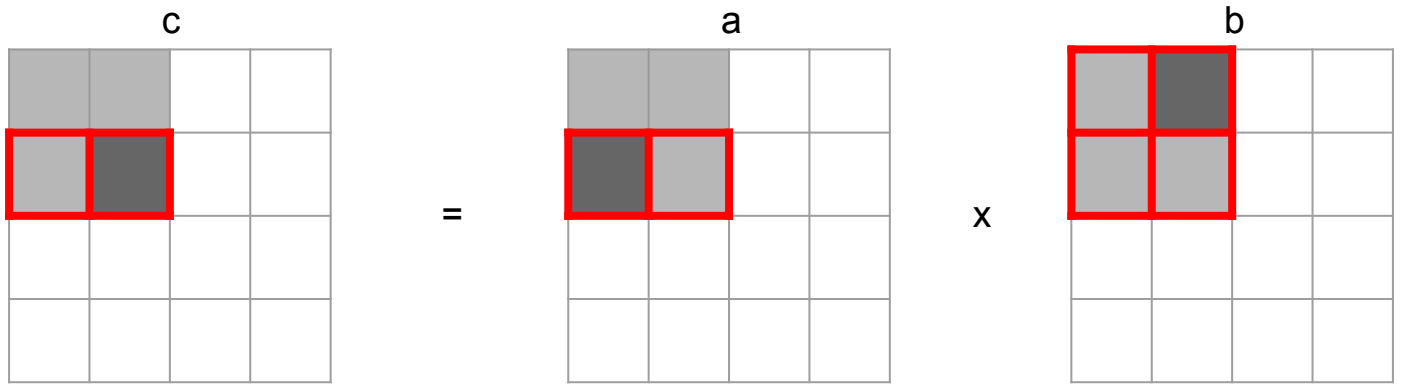

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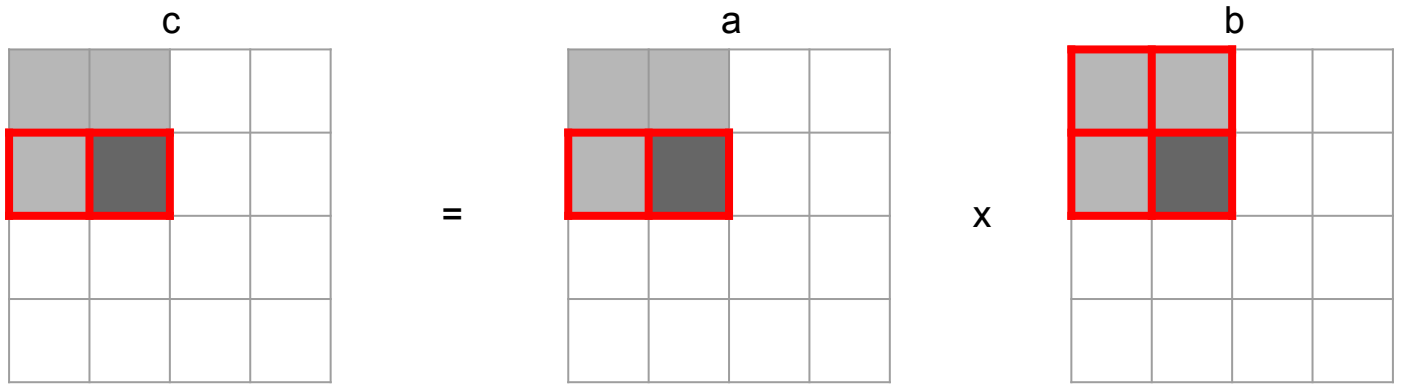

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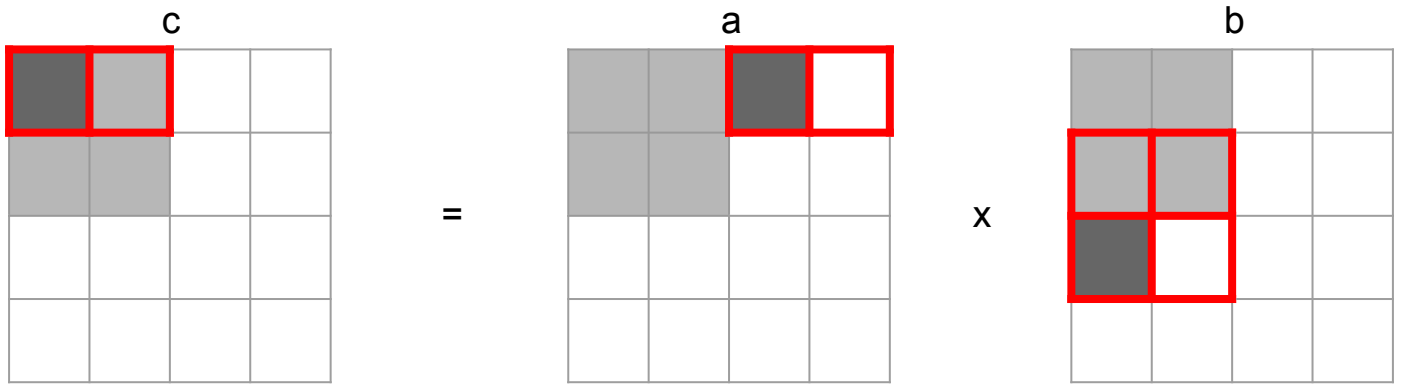

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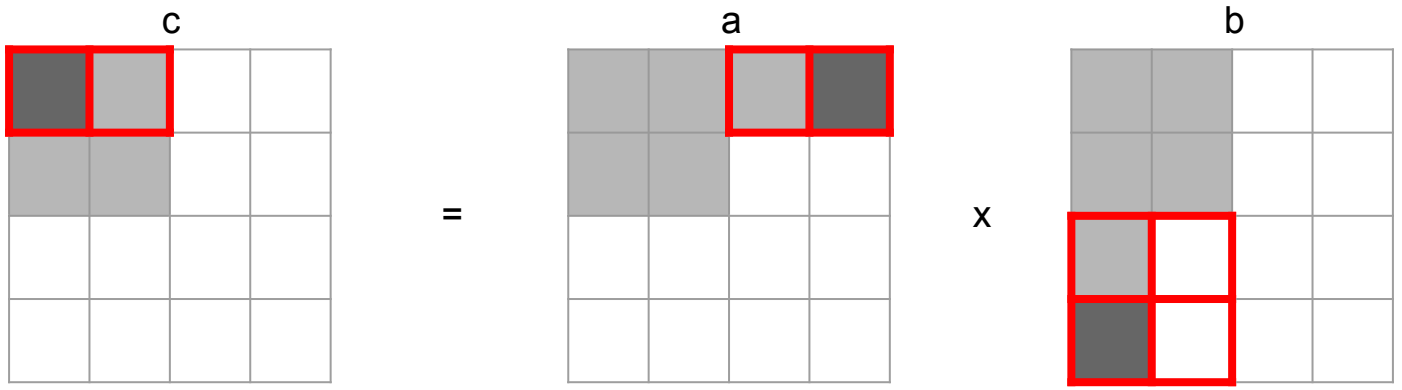

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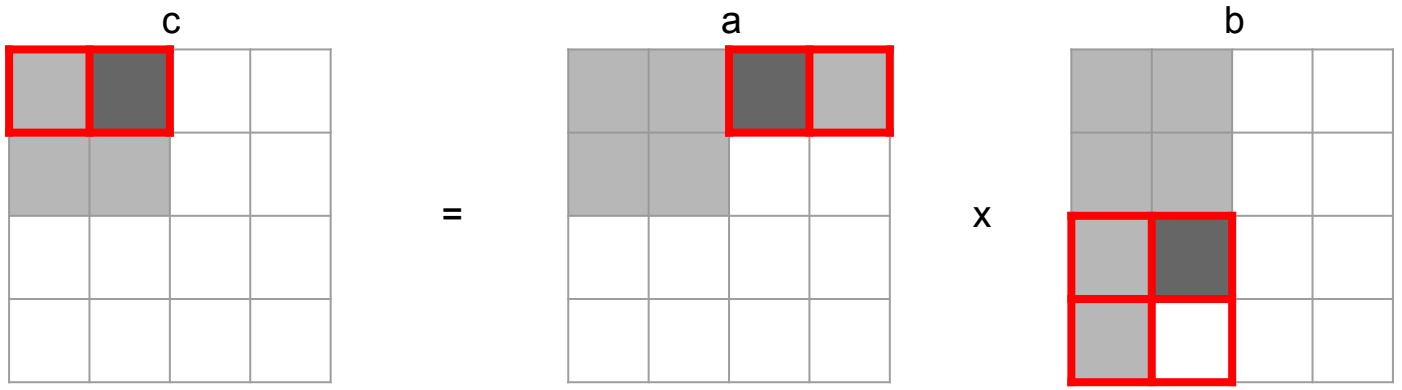

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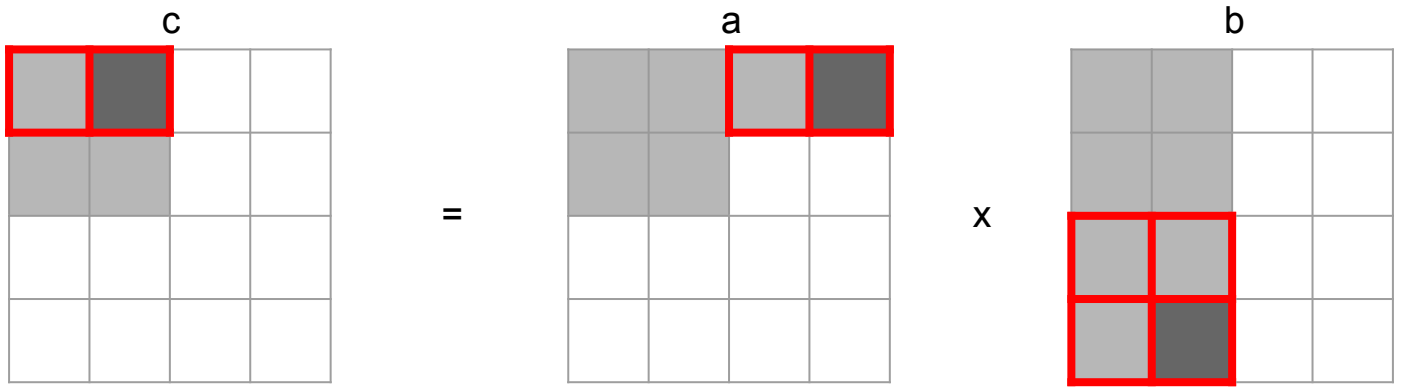

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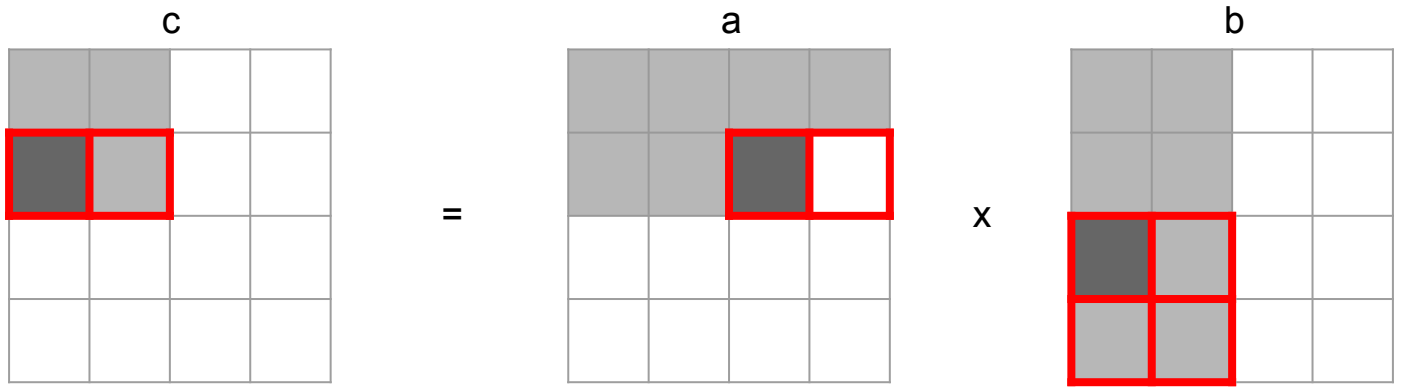

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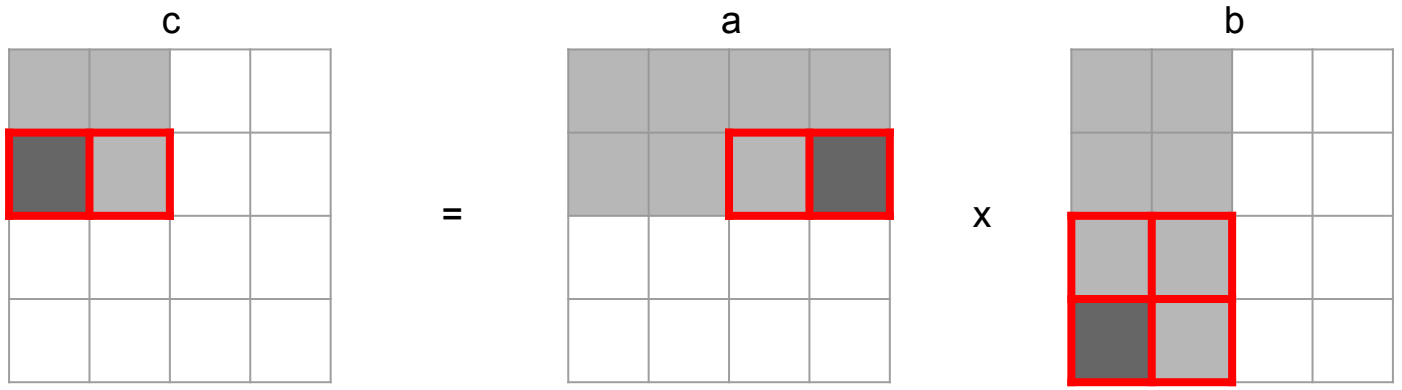

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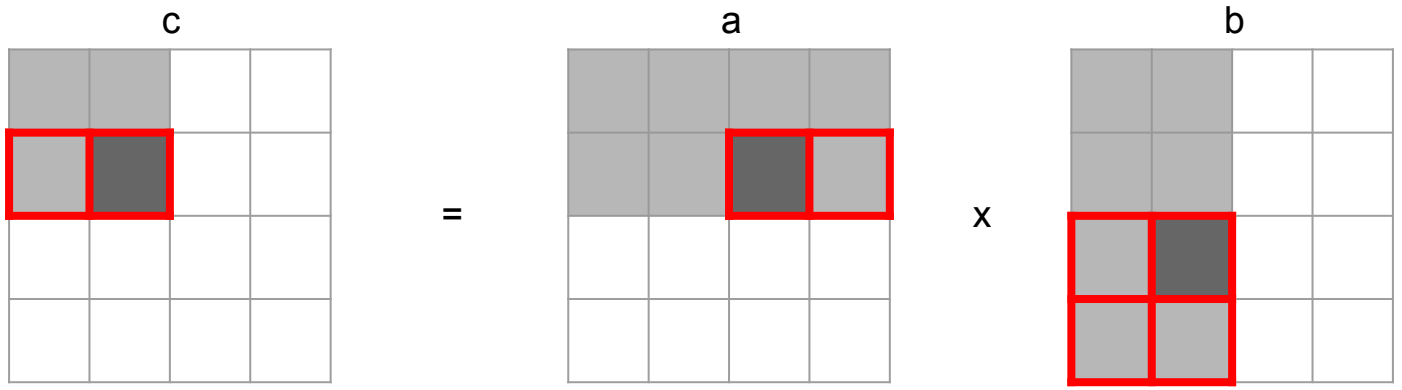

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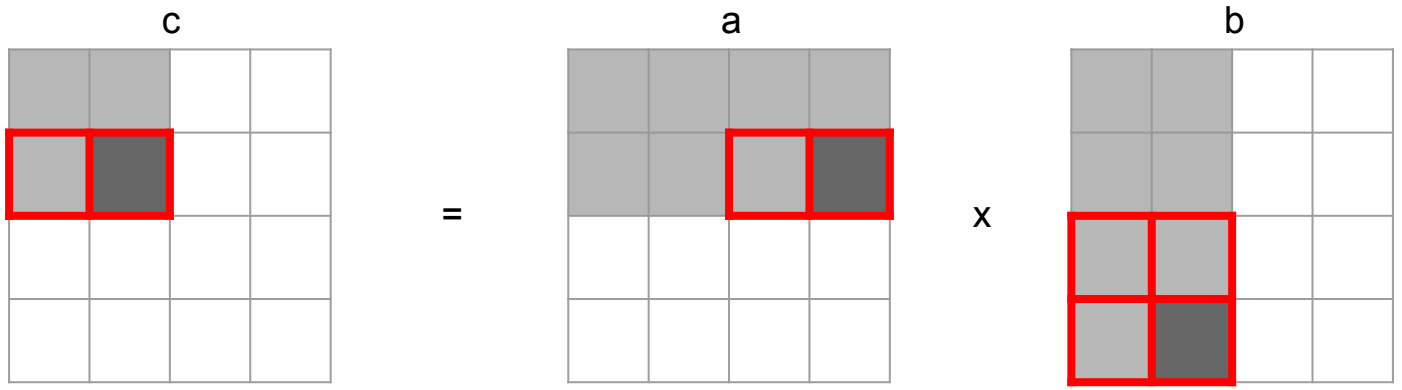

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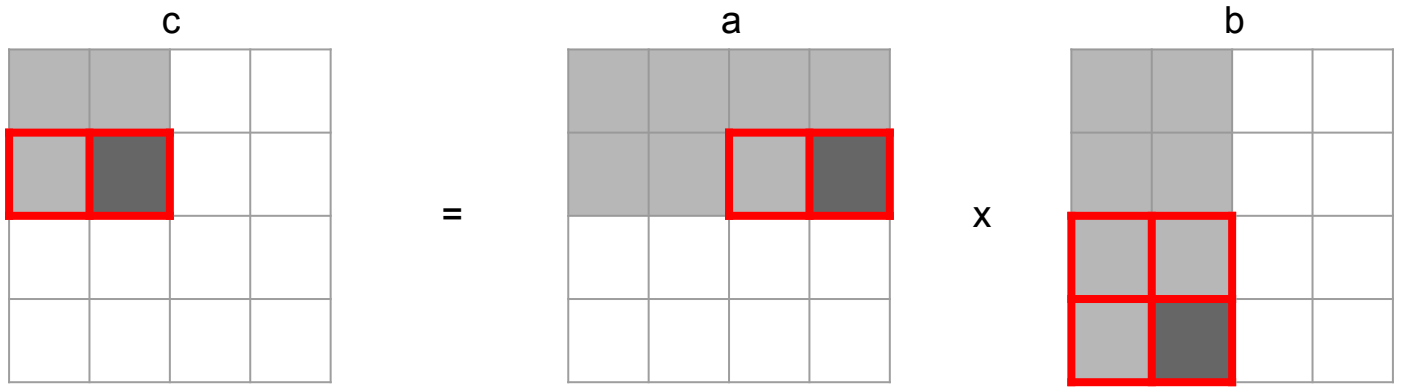

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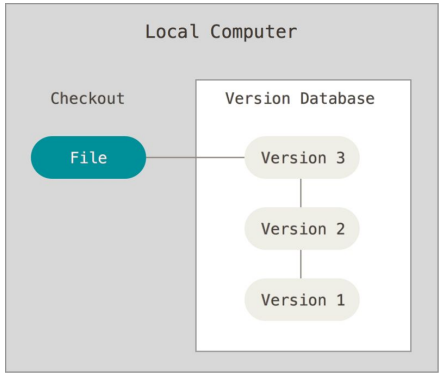
Version control is your friend

Introduction to Git

What is Git?

- Most widely used version control system out there
- Version control:
  - Help track changes to your source code over time
  - Help teams manage changes on shared code



Git Commands

- Clone: git clone <clone-repository-url>
- Add: git add . or git add <file-name>
- Commit: git commit -m “your-commit-message”
  - Good commit messages are key!
  - Bad:“commit”, “change”, “fixed”
  - Good: “Fixed buffer overflow potential in AttackLab”
- Push / Pull: git push / git pull

If you get stuck…

- Reread the writeup
- Look at CS:APP Chapter 6
- Review lecture notes (http://cs.cmu.edu/~213)
- Come to Office Hours
- Post private question on Piazza
- `man malloc`, `man valgrind`, `man gdb`