

# Lecture 9: Scheduling

CSE599G1: Spring 2017

# Next Week

- Two Joint Sessions with Computer Architecture Class
- Different date, time and location, detail to be announced
- Wed: ASICs for deep learning
- Friday: FPGA in the data center

# Where are we

High level Packages

## User API

Programming API

Gradient Calculation (Differentiation API)

## System Components

Computational Graph Optimization and Execution

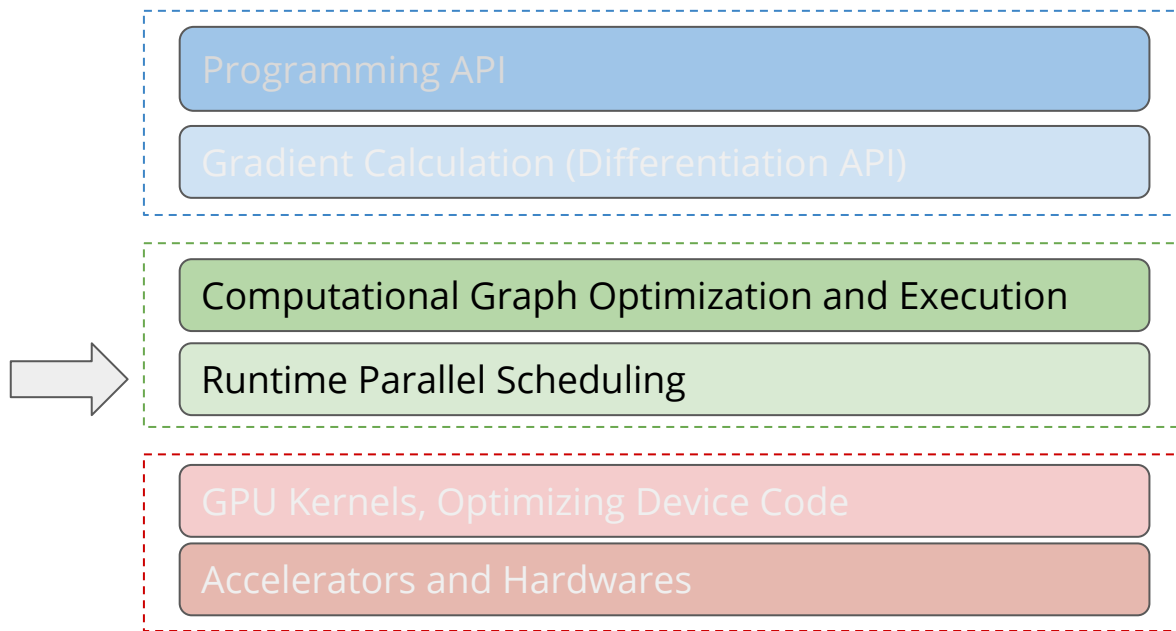
Runtime Parallel Scheduling

## Architecture

GPU Kernels, Optimizing Device Code

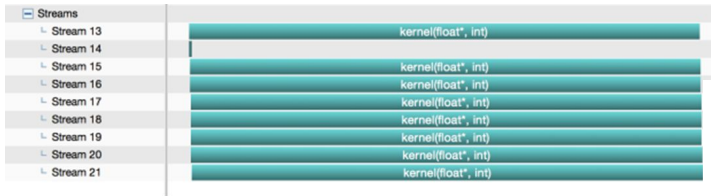
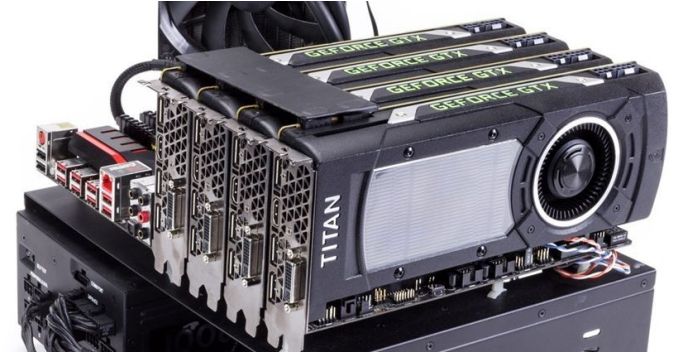
Accelerators and Hardwares

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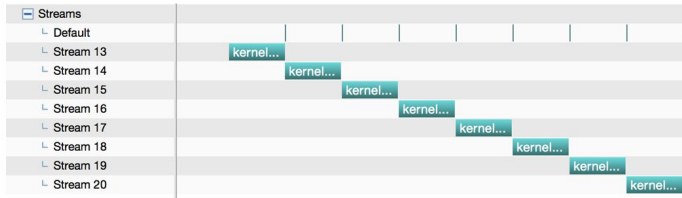


# Parallelization Problem

- Parallel execution of concurrent kernels
- Overlap compute and data transfer



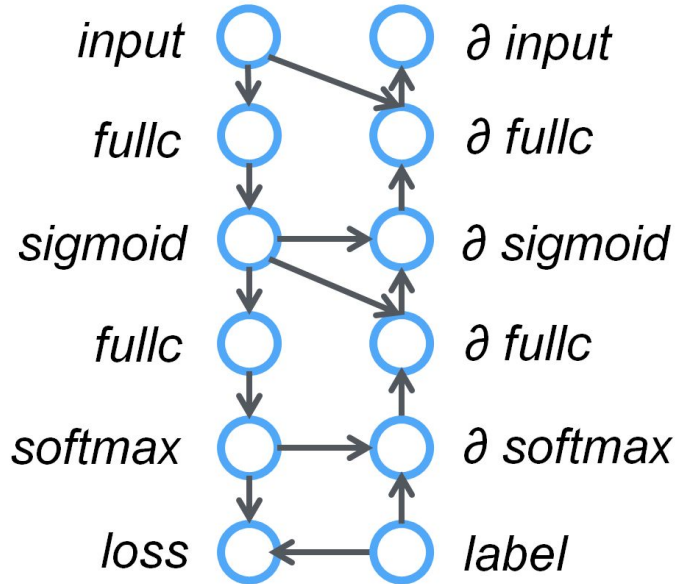
Parallel over multiple streams



Serial execution

# Recap: Deep Learning Training Workflow

Gradient Calculation



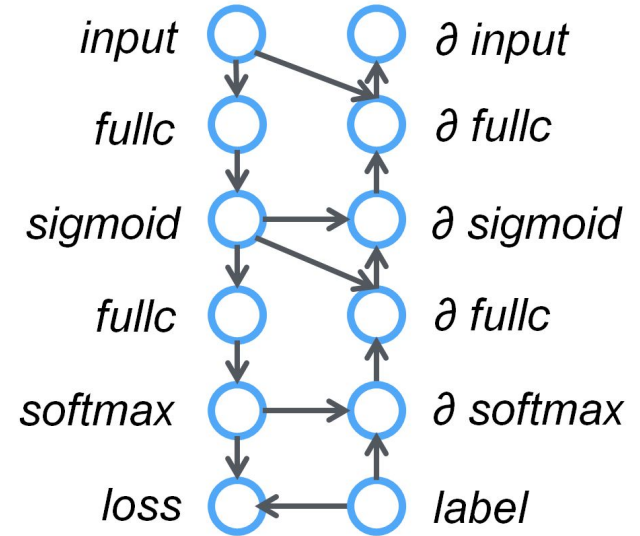
Interactions with Model

Parameter Update

$$w = w - \eta \partial f(w)$$

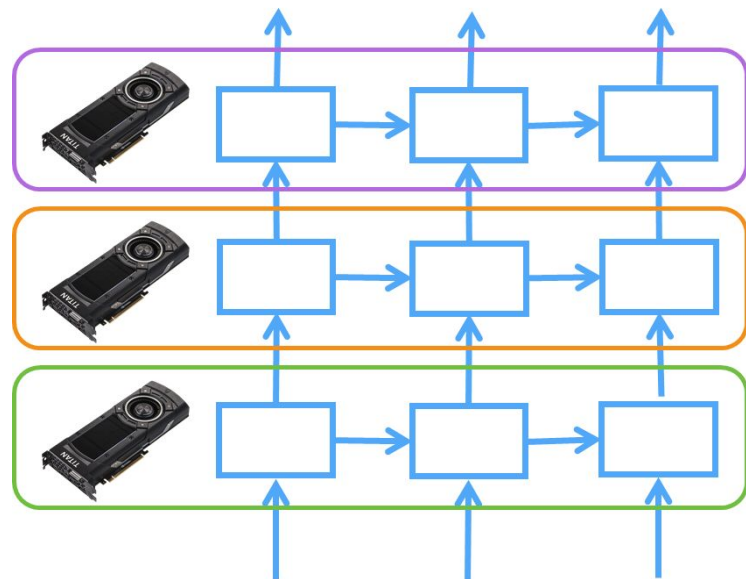
# Questions to be answered

- What are common patterns of parallelization
- How can we easily achieve these patterns
- What about dynamic style program



# Model Parallel Training

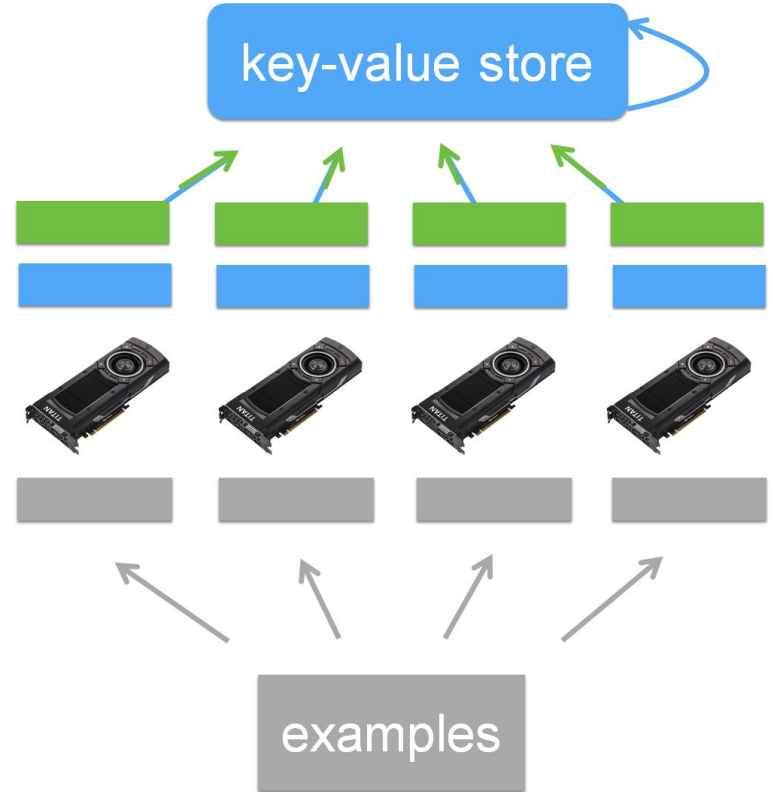
- Map parts of workload to different devices
- Require special dependency patterns (wave style)
  - e.g. LSTM



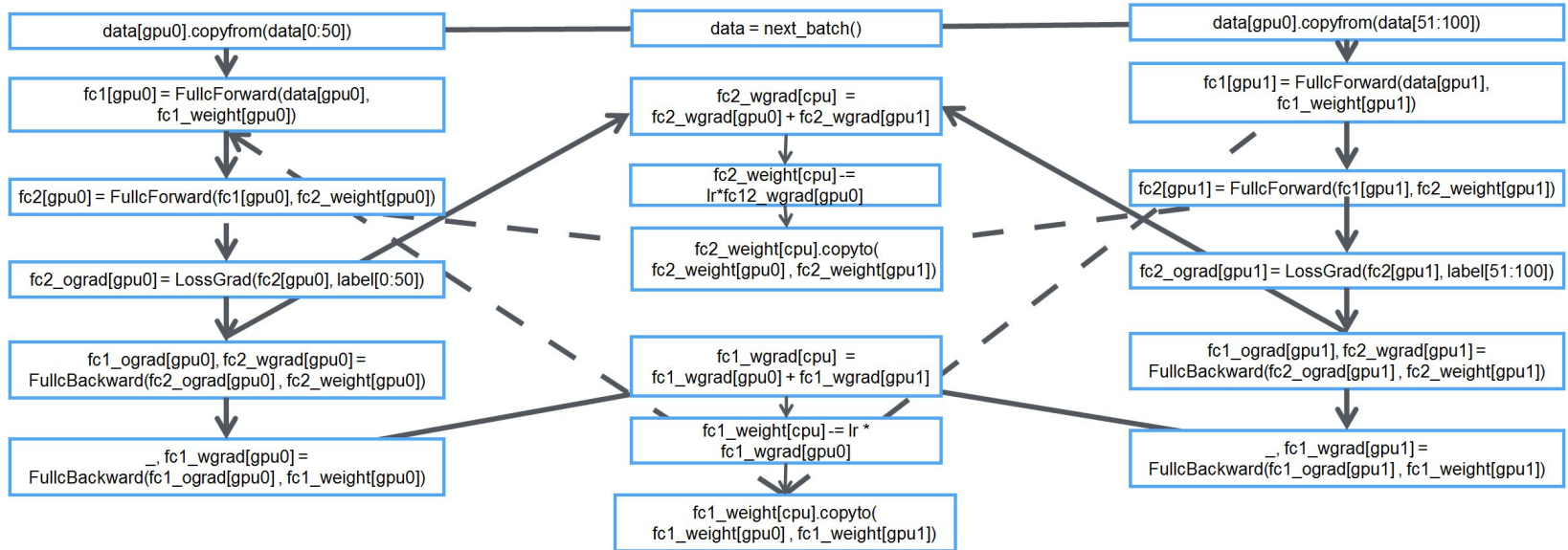


# Data Parallelism

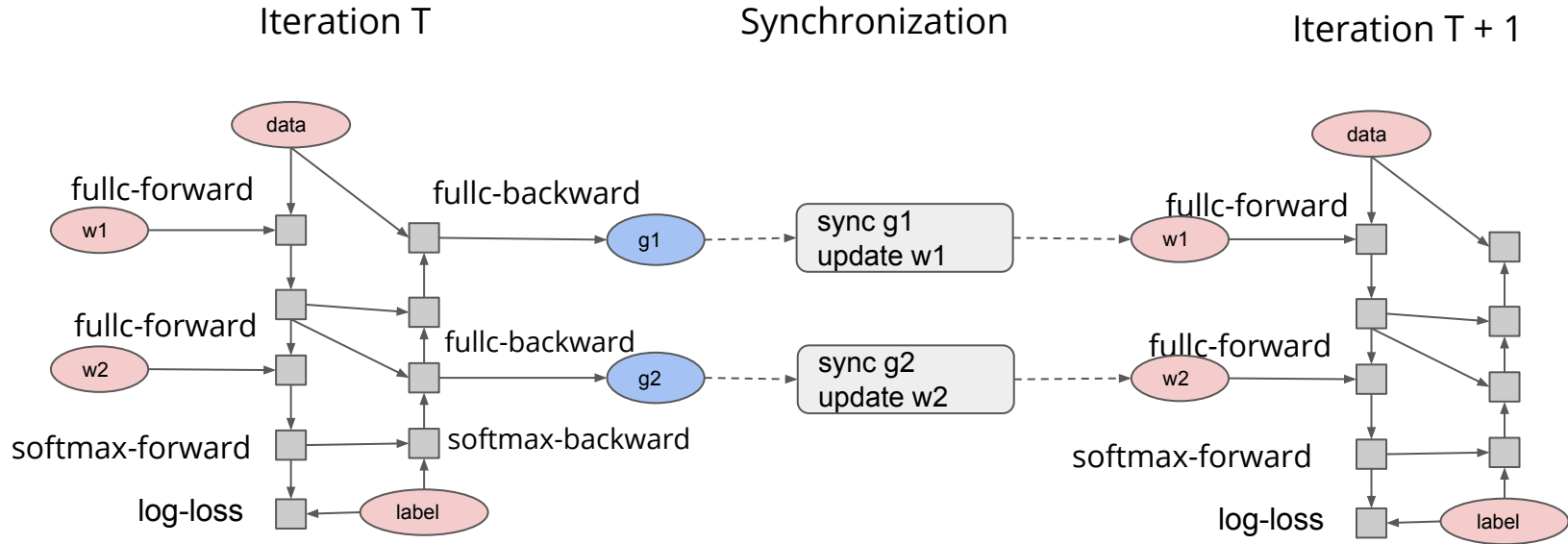
- Train replicated version of model in each machine
- Synchronize the gradient



# Data Parallel Training



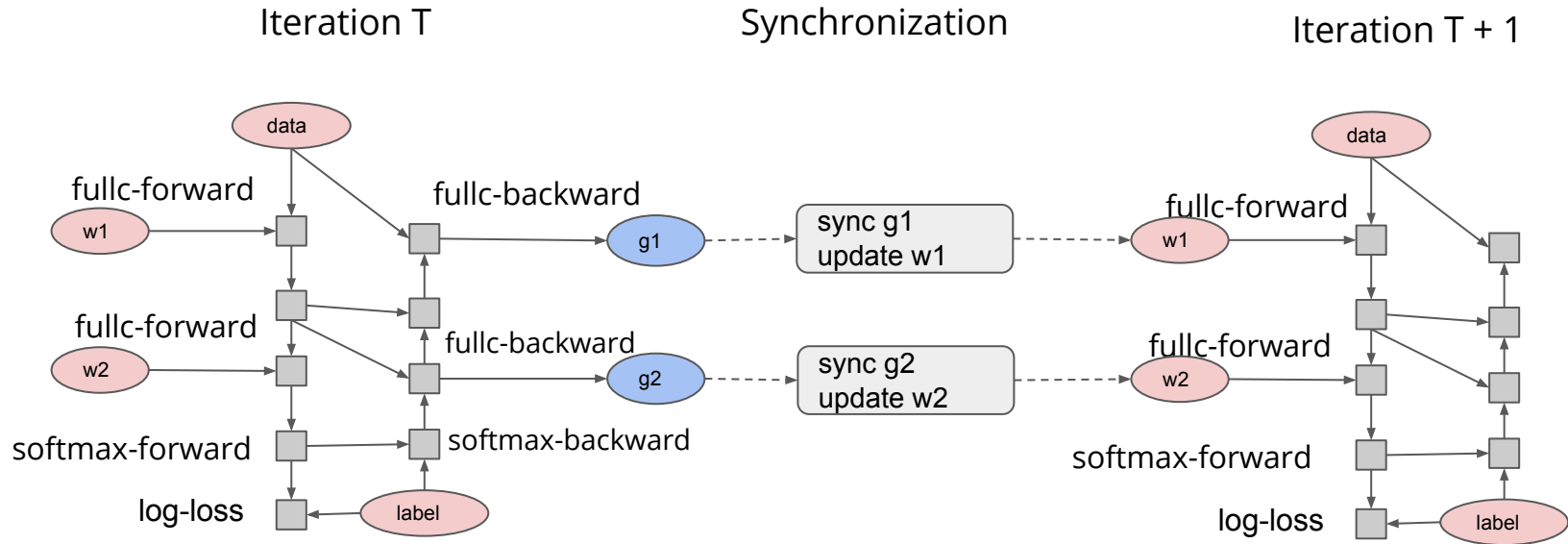
# The Gap for Communication



Which operations can run in currently with synchronization of  $g_2/w_2$ ?

# Parallel Programs are Hard to Write

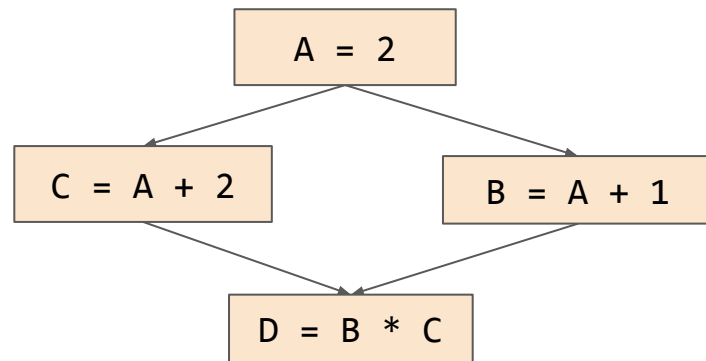
We need an automatic scheduler



# Goal of Scheduler Interface

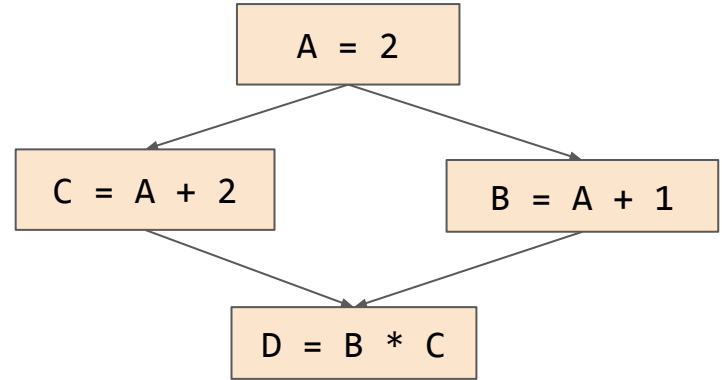
- Write Serial Program
- Possibly dynamically (not declare graph beforehand)
- Run in Parallel
- Respect serial execution order

```
>>> import mxnet as mx
>>> A = mx.nd.ones((2,2)) *2
>>> C = A + 2
>>> B = A + 1
>>> D = B * C
```



# Discussion: How to schedule the following ops

- Random number generator
- Memory recycling
- Cross device copy
- Send data over network channel



# Data Flow Dependency

Code

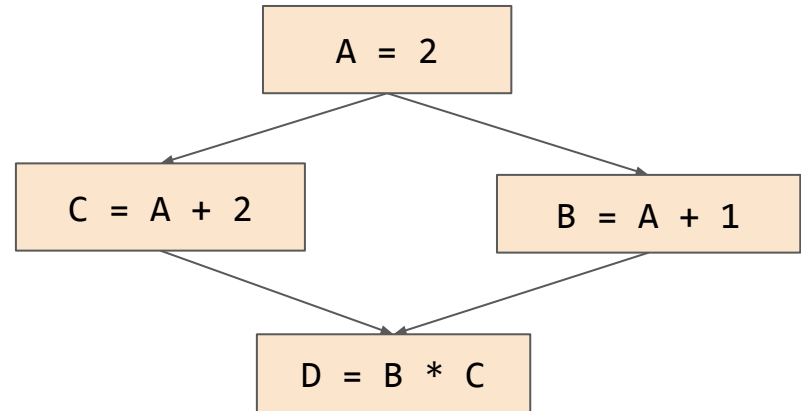
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Dependency



# Write After Read Mutation

Code

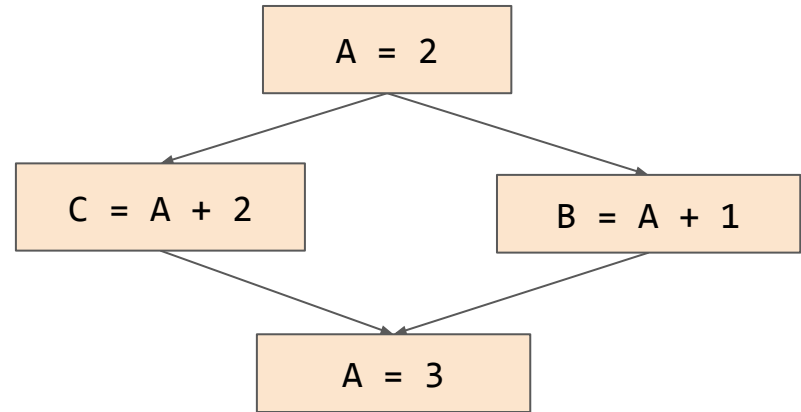
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$B = A + 1$

$C = A + 2$

$A = 3$

Dependency





# Memory Recycle

Code

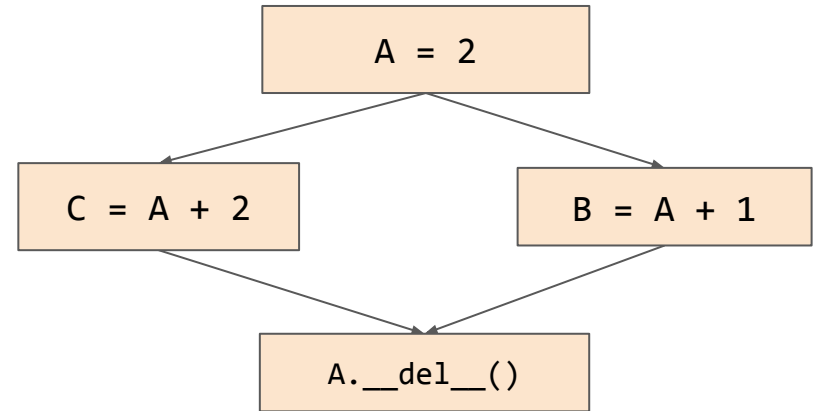
`A = 2`

`B = A + 1`

`C = A + 2`

`A.__del__()`

Dependency



# Random Number Generator

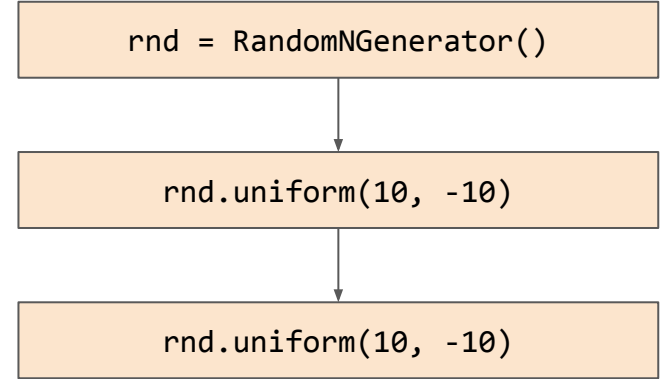
Code

```
rnd = RandomNumberGenerator()
```

```
B = rnd.uniform(10, -10)
```

```
C = rnd.uniform(10, -10)
```

Dependency



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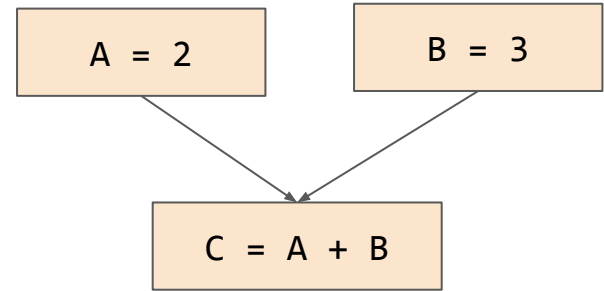
- Schedule any resources
  - Data
  - Random number generator
  - Network communicator
- Schedule any operation

# DAG Graph based scheduler

## Interface:

```
engine.push(lambda op, deps=[])
```

- Explicit push operation and its dependencies
- Can reuse the computation graph structure
- Useful when all results are immutable
- Used in typical frameworks (e.g. TensorFlow)
  
- What are the drawbacks?



# Pitfalls when using Scheduling Mutations

## Write after Read

```
tf.assign(A, B + 1)
tf.assign(T, B + 2)
tf.assign(B, 2)
```

## Read after Write

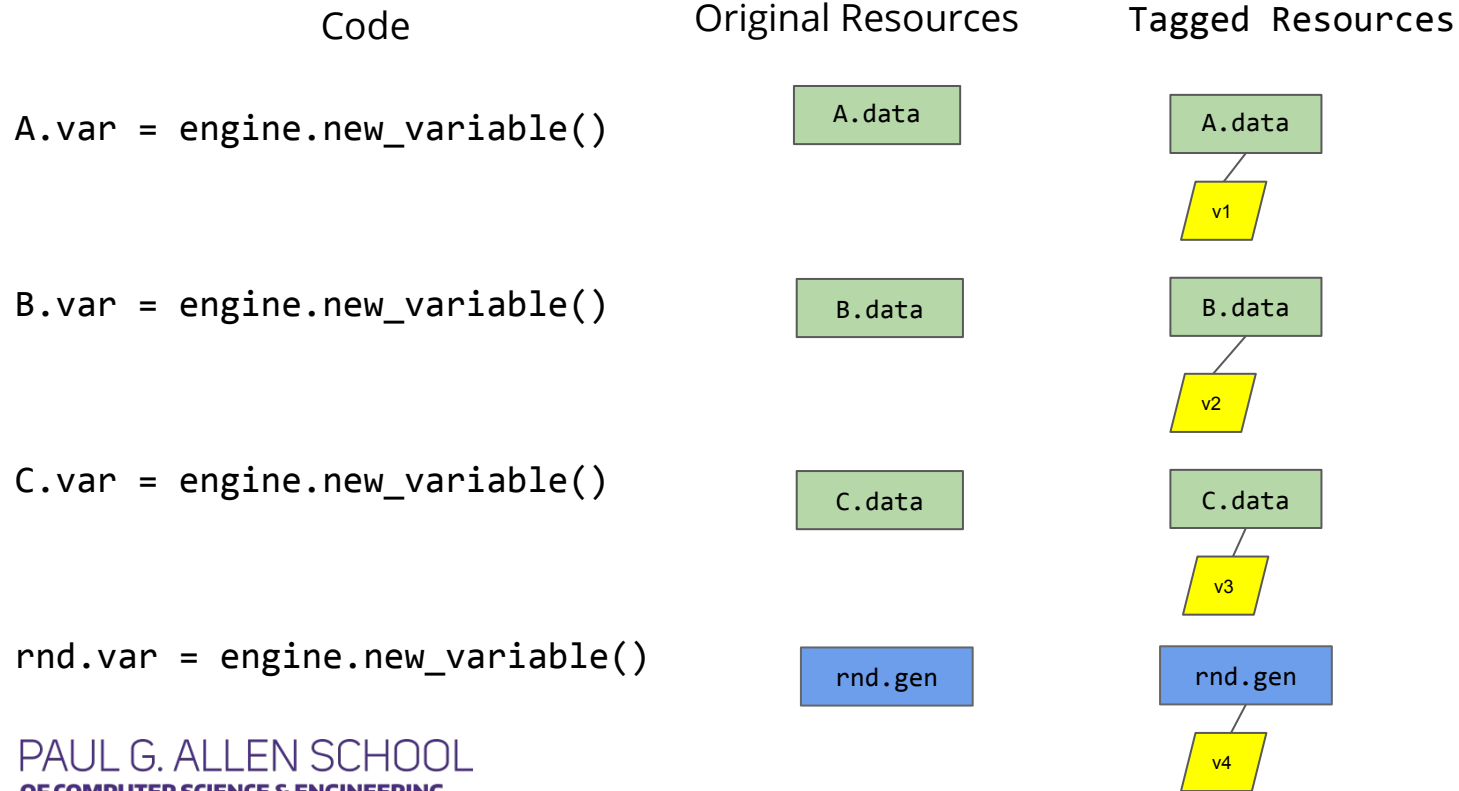
```
T = tf.assign(B, B + 1)
tf.assign(A, B + 2)
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A **mutation aware** scheduler can solve these problems much easier than DAG based scheduler

# MXNet Program for Data Parallel Training

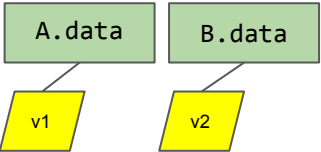
```
for dbatch in train_iter:
    % iterating on GPUs
    for i in range(ngpu):
        % pull the parameters
        for key in update_keys:
            kvstore.pull(key, execs[i].weight_array[key])
        % compute the gradient
        execs[i].forward(is_train=True)
        execs[i].backward()
        % push the gradient
        for key in update_keys:
            kvstore.push(key, execs[i].grad_array[key])
```

# Mutation aware Scheduler: Tag each Resource

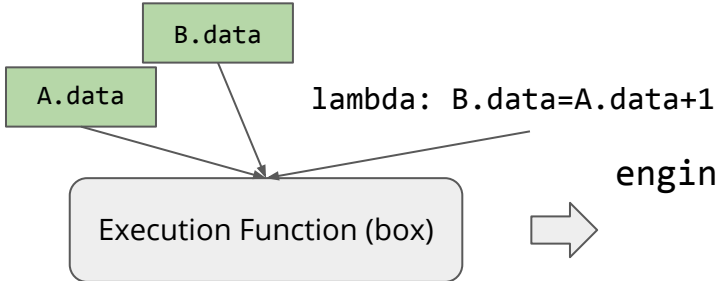


# Mutation aware Scheduler: Push Operation

The Tagged Data



Pack Reference to Related Things into Execution Function (via Closure)



Push the Operation to Engine

```
engine.push( Exec Function ,  
read = [ v1 ],  
mutate= [ v2 ] )
```



# Example Scheduling: Data Flow

A = 2



```
engine.push(lambda: A.data=2,  
            read=[], mutate= [A.var])
```

B = A + 1



```
engine.push(lambda: B.data=A.data+1,  
            read=[A.var], mutate= [B.var])
```

D = A \* B



```
engine.push(lambda: D.data=A.data * B.data,  
            read=[A.var, B.var], mutate=[D.var])
```

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A.\_\_del\_\_()



```
engine.push(lambda: A.data.__del__(),  
            read=[], mutate= [A.var])
```

# Example Scheduling: Random Number Generator

```
B = rnd.uniform(10, -10)
```



```
engine.push(lambda:
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    B.data = rnd.gen.uniform(10, -10),  
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C = rnd.uniform(10, -10)
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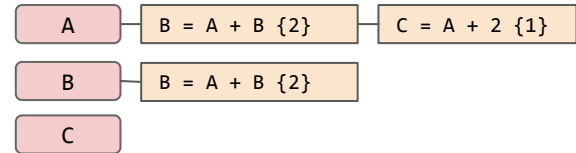


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# Queue based Implementation of scheduler

- Like scheduling problem in OS
- Maintain a pending operation queue
- Schedule new operations with event update



# Enqueue Demonstration

$B = A + 1$  (reads A, mutates B)

$C = A + 2$  (reads A, mutates C)

$A = C * 2$  (reads C, mutates A)

$D = A + 3$  (reads A, mutates D)

A's queue:

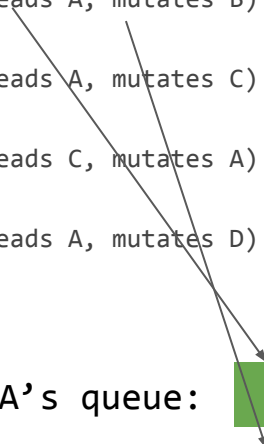


B's queue:



C's queue:

D's queue:



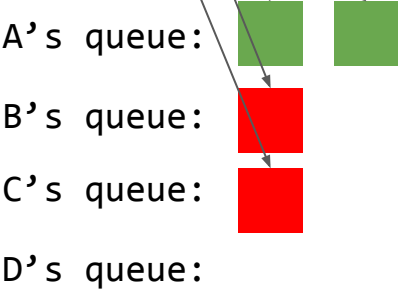
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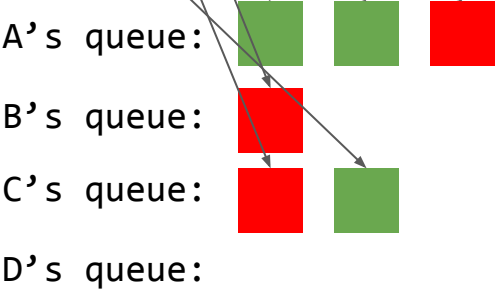
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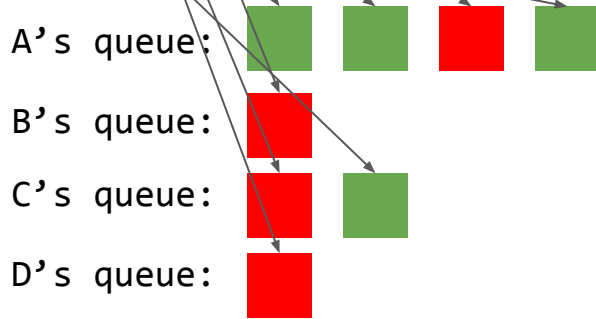
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Discuss: What is the update policy of queue when an operation finishes?



# Update Policy

Request

Queue

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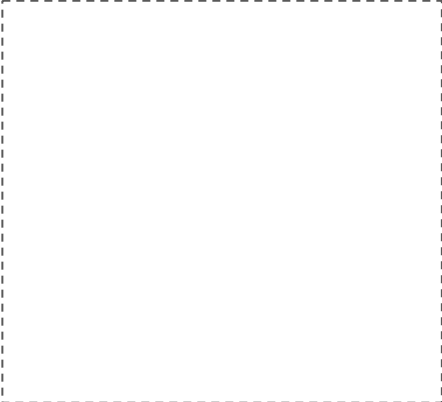
A

B = 2 {1}

B

C

Ready/Running Ops



Two operations are pushed. Because A and B are ready to write, we decrease the pending counter to 0. The two ops are executed directly.

operation {wait counter}

operation and the number of pending dependencies it need to

wait for

var

ready to read and mutate

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ready to read, but still have uncompleted reads. Cannot mutate

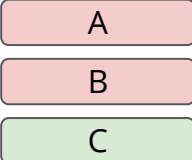
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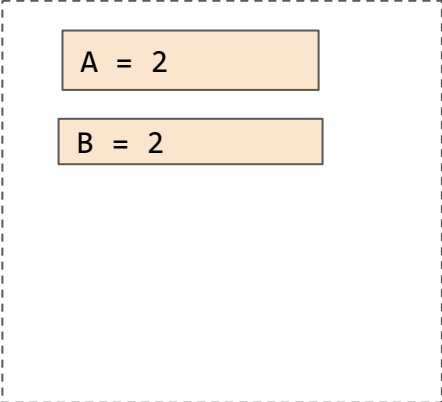
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## Request

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C = A + 2 {2}

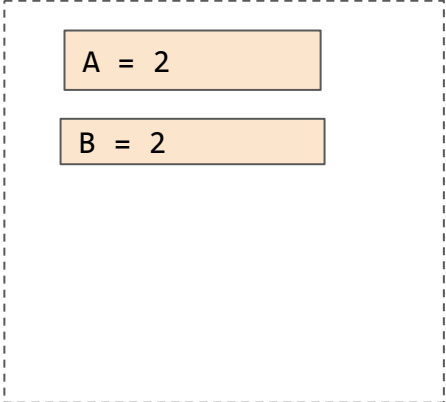
## Queue

A

B

C

## Ready/Running Ops



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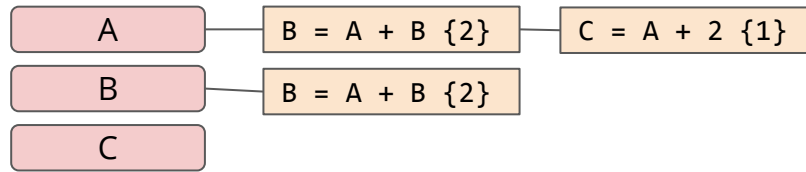
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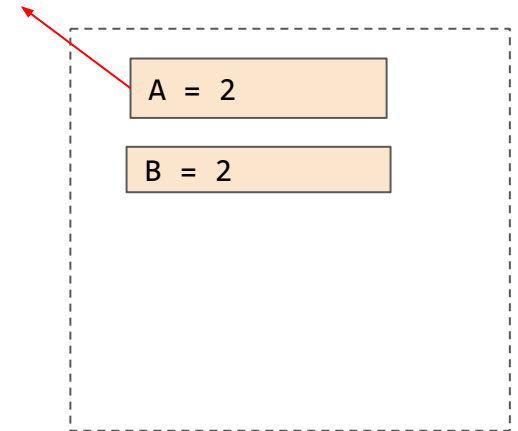
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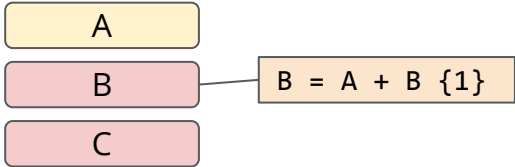
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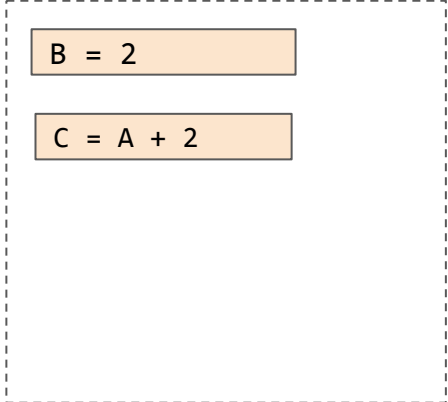
## Request

A.del() {1}

## Queue



## Ready/Running Ops



A=2 finishes, as a result, the pending reads on A are activated. B=A+B still cannot run because it is still wait for B.

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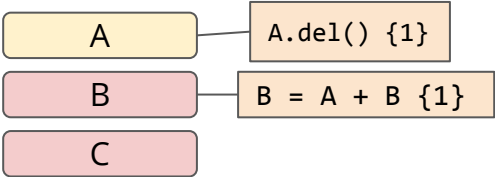
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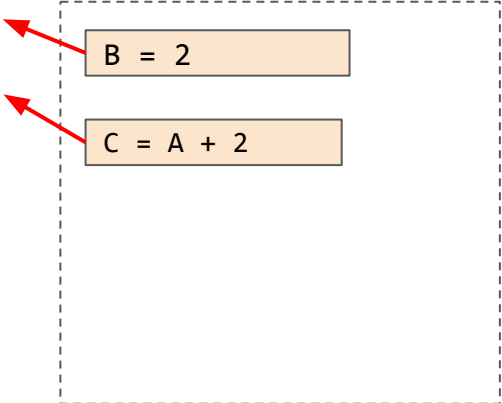
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A.del() is a mutate operation. So it need to wait on A until all previous reads on A finishes.

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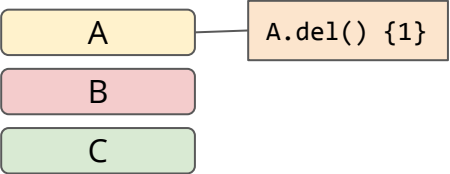
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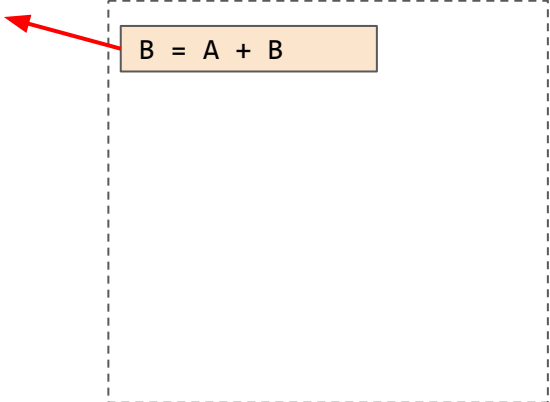
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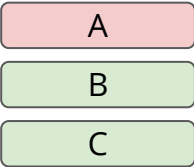
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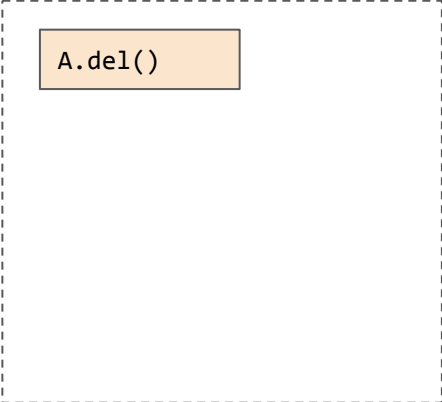
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# Take aways

- Automatic scheduling makes parallelization easier
- Mutation aware interface to handle resource contention
- Queue based scheduling algorithm