Visual Guide to 2D Stencil Memory Optimization

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Cache Efficient Processing in <u>1D</u>: We will do 2D!! Trapezoid Units

- Computation in a trapezoid is either:
 - Self-contained, does not require anything from outside(____), or
 - Only uses data that has been computed and ready (



, after

Goal: Fill out temp and then have results at the bottom of temp



"temp" represents a 3-D array! (x,y,time)

No Dependencies For Corner



Calculate Blocks With Satisfied Dependencies



All Done With Trapezoids



Fill Out The Rest (Upside-down wedges)



This Was Not Cache-Oblivious

- We had to choose a block size
 - "temp" is divided into a grid of BLOCK_SIZE width and height sub-blocks
 - Depending on the location (corner? edge? middle?) 3D shape determined
 - After filling in all grids, we fill in the upside-down edges
- Cache-oblivious algorithm instead divides the space into four quadrants recursively
 - Actual shape determination and filling it out happens only at a very small block size
 - Actually more complex than this, but having a small SUBSTEP parameter restricts the problem space

SUBSTEPS may be too large

 If the given substeps parameter is too large to be used as-is as the height of the 3D structure, remember you can also break that down into smaller steps!