# Lab 4: Image Blurring

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### Lab Requirements

- Function calls and register conventions
- Loading and storing from memory
- Loops and control flow
- Bit manipulation

#### Background

• Common technique to hide key information

• Distort the detail of an image to make it less clear



#### **Box Blur**



#### **PPM** format:



### The Assignment

Part 1:

- digitToAscii
- copyImage
- asciiToDigit

Part 2:

- readNextNumber
- storeNumber

Part 3:

- pixelKernelMul
- blurImage



digitToAscii:

This function returns the ASCII value of the digit.

Arguments:

a0: a single digit represented as an integer, between 0 and 9

Return:

a0: the ASCII value of the digit, between 48 (0x30) and 57 (0x39)

## **ASCII TABLE**

Decimal	Hex	Char	Decimal	Hex	Char	Decimal	Hex	Char	Decimal	Hex	Char
0	0	[NULL]	32	20	[SPACE]	64	40	0	96	60	×
1	1	[START OF HEADING]	33	21	1	65	41	Α	97	61	а
2	2	[START OF TEXT]	34	22	0	66	42	В	98	62	b
3	3	[END OF TEXT]	35	23	#	67	43	С	99	63	с
4	4	[END OF TRANSMISSION]	36	24	\$	68	44	D	100	64	d
5	5	[ENQUIRY]	37	25	%	69	45	E	101	65	е
6	6	[ACKNOWLEDGE]	38	26	&	70	46	F	102	66	f
7	7	[BELL]	39	27	1	71	47	G	103	67	g
8	8	[BACKSPACE]	40	28	(	72	48	H	104	68	ĥ
9	9	[HORIZONTAL TAB]	41	29	)	73	49	1	105	69	i
10	Α	[LINE FEED]	42	2A	*	74	4A	J	106	6A	j
11	В	[VERTICAL TAB]	43	2B	+	75	4B	Κ	107	6B	k
12	С	[FORM FEED]	44	2C	,	76	4C	L	108	6C	1
13	D	[CARRIAGE RETURN]	45	2D	÷	77	4D	Μ	109	6D	m
14	E	[SHIFT OUT]	46	2E		78	4E	Ν	110	6E	n
15	F	[SHIFT IN]	47	2F	1	79	4F	0	111	6F	0
16	10	[DATA LINK ESCAPE]	48	30	0	80	50	Ρ	112	70	р
17	11	[DEVICE CONTROL 1]	49	31	1	81	51	Q	113	71	q
18	12	[DEVICE CONTROL 2]	50	32	2	82	52	R	114	72	r
19	13	[DEVICE CONTROL 3]	51	33	3	83	53	S	115	73	S
20	14	[DEVICE CONTROL 4]	52	34	4	84	54	т	116	74	t
21	15	[NEGATIVE ACKNOWLEDGE]	53	35	5	85	55	U	117	75	u
22	16	[SYNCHRONOUS IDLE]	54	36	6	86	56	V	118	76	v
23	17	[END OF TRANS. BLOCK]	55	37	7	87	57	W	119	77	w
24	18	[CANCEL]	56	38	8	88	58	X	120	78	x
25	19	[END OF MEDIUM]	57	39	9	89	59	Υ	121	79	У
26	1A	[SUBSTITUTE]	58	3A	1	90	5A	Z	122	7A	z
27	1B	[ESCAPE]	59	3B	;	91	5B	[	123	7B	{
28	1C	[FILE SEPARATOR]	60	3C	<	92	5C	١	124	7C	1
29	1D	[GROUP SEPARATOR]	61	3D	=	93	5D	1	125	7D	}
30	1E	[RECORD SEPARATOR]	62	3E	>	94	5E	^	126	7E	~
31	1F	[UNIT SEPARATOR]	63	3F	?	95	5F	_	127	7F	[DEL]

<u>copy</u>:

This function copies all the RGB values to another address.

Arguments:

a0: address of the start of RGB values (where to copy from)

a1: address of the start of where to copy to

a2: length in words

asciiToDigit:

This function returns the digit for the given ASCII value

Arguments:

a0: the ASCII value of the digit, between 48 (0x30) and 57 (0x39)

Return:

a0: a single digit represented as an integer, between 0 and 9

#### readNextNumber:

It reads a string of ASCII characters and converts the first number it finds into an integer. It is guaranteed to only have ASCII numbers between 0 and 255. The function skips any whitespace before the number, then reads until it encounters a whitespace character including:"space" or "\r" or "\r" or "\t"

Arguments:

a0: the current address to start reading

Return:

a0: the address to start reading the next number

a1: the number represented as an integer









#### storeNumber:

This function converts the integer(at most 3 digits) to ASCII and then store their ASCII to the address. Store the leftmost digit first, consider using the function digitToAscii.

Arguments:

a0: the number represented as an integer

a1: address for the integer to be stored

Return:

a0: the next address that's available to be stored

Arguments: a0: 0x000000ff (255 a1: 0x10010000	5 in decimal)	Return: a0: 0x10010003		
Address	Value (+0)	Value (+4)		
0×10010000	0×00353532	0×00000000		
0x10010020	0×00000000	0×00000000		
0×10010040	0×00000000	0×00000000		
0×10010060	0×00000000	0×00000000		
0×10010080	0×00000000	0×00000000		
0-100100-0	0~0000000	0~0000000		

#### pixelKernelMul:

This function calculate the average for each of the R, G, B values and store the value.

#### Arguments:

a0: address of the start of RGB values, store the calculated RGB values in this region (a0 is the base address)

a1: address of the start of the copy of RGB values

a2: row # of the current pixel to blur

a3: col # of the current pixel to blur

a4: total row (may not be used)

a5: total col

### The pixels in memory:



Null (placeholder)

### Big-endian:





#### blurlmage:

This function blurs the image using pixelKernelMul on all possible pixels. It will run PixelKernelMul on all pixels except for the ones on the edges and corners.

Arguments:

a0: kernel size

a1: total rows

a2: total columns

a3: address of the start of RGB values, store the calculated RGB values in this region (a0 is the base address)

a4: address of the start of the copy of RGB values

#### Pseudo Code

```
const int kernel_radius = 3;
for (int i = kernel_radius; i < row - kernel_radius; i++) {
  for (int j = kernel_radius; j < col - kernel_radius; j++) {
    PixelKernelMul(...);
  }
```

#### **Register Conventions in RISC-V**

Register conventions are required for this lab. Review your notes on using the stack pointer and register conventions.

Register	Name	Use	Saver
x0	zero	The constant value 0	N.A.
x1	ra	Return address	Caller
x2	sp	Stack pointer	Callee
x3	gp	Global pointer	
x4	tp	Thread pointer	
x5-x7	t0-t2	Temporaries	Caller
x8	s0/fp	Saved register/frame pointer	Callee
x9	<b>s1</b>	Saved register	Callee
x10-x11	a0-a1	Function arguments/return values	Caller
x12-x17	a2-a7	Function arguments	Caller
x18-x27	s2-s11	Saved registers	Callee
x28-x31	t3-t6	Temporaries	Caller

#### **Tips and Notes**

- Loops are a very important part of this lab. Review your notes.
- For the simplicity of this lab, we are only blurring the center part of the lab and ignoring the edges and the corners.
- You can make any other helper functions to break down the problem.
- Read carefully about the instructions and examples provided.
- Do not edit any part of common.s
- Do not use any labels used in common.s