Parallelism in Linnea

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How to compute the following expressions?

$$b := (X^{T}X)^{-1}X^{T}y$$

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$$x := W(A^{T}(AWA^{T})^{-1}b - c)$$

$$x := (A^{-T}B^{T}BA^{-1} + R^{T}[\Lambda(Rz)]R)^{-1}A^{-T}B^{T}BA^{-1}y$$

- High-level languages are easy to use, but performance is usually suboptimal.
- BLAS and LAPACK can be fast, but require a lot of expertise.

BLAS [DDC⁺90], **LAPACK** [AB⁺99]

- $\bullet y \leftarrow Ax + y$
- $C \leftarrow AB + C$
- $B \leftarrow A^{-1}B$
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Input

$$z := (X^T S^{-1} X)^{-1} X^T S^{-1} y$$
 S is symmetric positive definite

Output

$$\begin{split} L &:= \operatorname{chol}(S) & (\operatorname{potrf}) \\ U_1 &:= L^{-1}X & (\operatorname{trsm}) \\ (Q, R) &:= \operatorname{qr}(U_1) & (\operatorname{geqrf}) \\ u_2 &:= L^{-1}y & (\operatorname{trsv}) \\ u_3 &:= Q^T u_2 & (\operatorname{ormqr}) \\ z &:= R^{-1}u_3 & (\operatorname{trsv}) \end{split}$$

https://github.com/HPAC/linnea





Linear Algebra Knowledge

- Properties: trmm vs. gemm
- Inference of properties: $A = B \rightarrow AB$
- Simplifications: $A^T \to A$ if Symmetric(A)
- Rewriting expressions:

$$X := A^{\mathsf{T}}A + A^{\mathsf{T}}B + B^{\mathsf{T}}A \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} Y := B + A/2 \\ X := A^{\mathsf{T}}Y + Y^{\mathsf{T}}A \end{array}$$

Common subexpressions:

$$X := AB^{-T}C + B^{-1}A^{T} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} Z := AB^{-1} \\ X := ZC + Z^{T} \end{array}$$

Matrix chains:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (AB)c & \mathcal{O}(n^3) \\ A(Bc) & \mathcal{O}(n^2) \end{array}$$





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Generation of Parallel Code

How to make use of parallelism?

- Threaded kernels.
- Kernels in parallel.
- Both.





Generation of Parallel Code

Step 1: Parallelize a given sequence of kernels.

The Good

• Constructing dependency graph is easy.

$$T_{1} := AB
T_{2} := L^{-1}C
X := T_{1} + T_{2}$$

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• If operand sizes are known, amount of work is known (#FLOPs).

 $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}, B \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n} \to AB$ requires 2mnk FLOPs

• BLAS and LAPACK are parallelized.





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 - "Overbooking": Parallelizing a sequence of n LU's [PB15].







Existing Tools

PaRSEC, OmpSs, StarPU, SuperGlue,...

- Built for large dependency graphs/large number of tasks.
- Only one thread per task.
- Do not consider cost (except StarPU [ATN09]).

We have:

- Small number of tasks.
- Multiple threads per task.
- Cost is (roughly) known.





Step 2: Generate sequence that parallelizes well.

A good sequence of kernels for sequential execution may not be good for parallel execution.

A, B, C
$$\in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

D $\in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$
m < n

- A(B(CD))
 - min #FLOPs
 - dependencies
 - threaded kernels still possible

(AB)(CD)

- more FLOPs
- fewer dependencies
- Existing work: Matrix Chain Products on Parallel Systems [LKHL03]





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Motivation

- For sufficiently large matrices and/or enough runs of the program, generation time will be amortized.
- What about small computations?
- What about computations in interactive environment such as Matlab?





$$\mathbf{b} := \mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{y}$$



































Reducing Redundancy







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Table of expressions and intermediate operands:

tmp	expr
T_1	AB
T_2	ABC
T_3	ВС





Reducing Redundancy



exhaustive, merging
exhaustive, no merging
constructive, merging
constructive, no merging





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 $x := W(A^T(AWA^T)^{-1}b - c)$ W is diagonal, diagonal elements are positive







The Good

• Finding redundant nodes can be done efficiently using hash table.

The Bad

- Access to table of expressions & intermediates has to be protected.
- Merging nodes requires synchronization.
- Graph is not uniform at all.
- Graph is initially not known.

Possible solutions:

- Tradeoff between merging and redundancy?
- Parallelize computations on nodes?
- Nodes as tasks?





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