

Algorithm for calculating HNF of a matrix M∈Z^{n×m} in C++

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Pseudo code

- You create a matrix L to change the leftmost non lower triangular columns lowest (positionally) non zero element into zero such that det(L)=1
- Proceed upwards until the column is in lower triangular form
- Move onto the next column
- Continue until the matrix is lower triangular form
- Use the same idea to transform the pivots into strictly increasing order

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Algorithm 1: HNF(M)
[n,m] \leftarrow size(M)
U \leftarrow IMat(n)
L \leftarrow IMat(n)
H \leftarrow M
for j \leftarrow 1...m do
    for i \leftarrow n...j + 1 do
        if H_{i,j} = 0
            Nothing
        else if H_{i-1,j} = 0
            Swap rows i-1 and i in L
        else
            a \leftarrow H_{i-1,i}, b \leftarrow H_{i,i}
            q \leftarrow qcd(a,b)
            [x, y] = DiophantesSolver(a, b, g)
            \alpha \leftarrow \frac{a}{q}, \beta \leftarrow \frac{b}{q}
            L_{i,i} \stackrel{\circ}{\leftarrow} \alpha, \ L_{i,i-1} \stackrel{\circ}{\leftarrow} -\beta, \ L_{i-1,i} \leftarrow y, \ L_{i-1,i-1} \leftarrow x,
        U \leftarrow LU, H \leftarrow LH
        L \leftarrow IMat(n)
    end
end
Permute rows of H st. pivot locations are increasing
Store permutation matrix in L
U \leftarrow LU
L \leftarrow IMat(n)
while H pivot locations not strictly increasing at H_{i,j}, Hi-1,j
    a \leftarrow H_{i-1,j}, b \leftarrow H_{i,j}
    g \leftarrow gcd(a,b)
    [x, y] = DiophantesSolver(a, b, g)
    \alpha \leftarrow \frac{a}{a}, \beta \leftarrow \frac{b}{a}
    L_{i,i} \stackrel{g}{\leftarrow} \alpha, \ L_{i,i-1}^{s} \leftarrow -\beta, \ L_{i-1,i} \leftarrow y, \ L_{i-1,i-1} \leftarrow x,
    U \leftarrow LU, H \leftarrow LH
    L \leftarrow IMat(n)
end
return [U, H]
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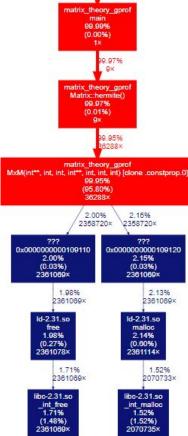


Pseudo code complexity

- Current complexity is O(n⁵)
 - Since Matrix multiplication is O(n³)
- Everything else is negligible time
 - O(log(max(A, B))) time complexity for Diophante solver
 - O(n) time for swapping rows of L
 - O(log(min(a, b)) time for gcd

Optimizing the algorithm

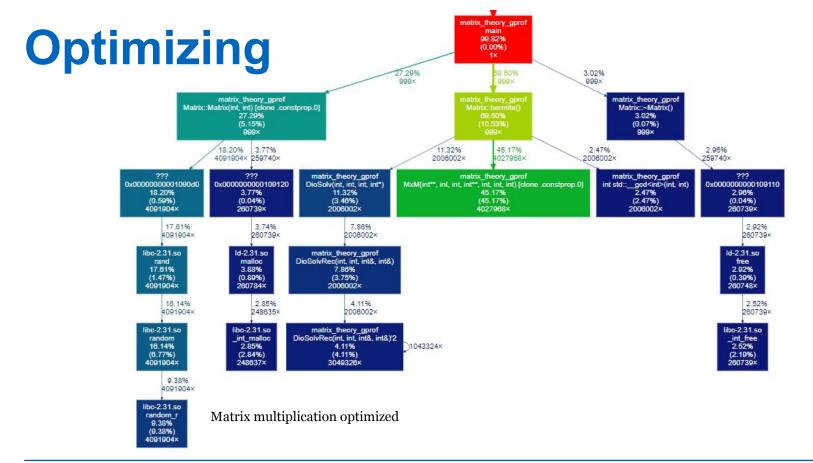
- Running profiling we can detect bottlenecks
 - Clearly only relevant bottleneck is matrix multiplication



Naive implementation

Optimizing the algorithm

- Since L is a sparse matrix, with the form $I \oplus G \oplus I = L$, were $G \in \mathbb{Z}^{2 \times 2}$, we see that in LU, L only acts on the rows where G is located
- This means that $LU = [U_1, GU_2, U_3]^T$ were $U_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^{2 \times m}$
- Hence we can change the matrix multiplication used in the algorithm to a specific case with complexity O(m)
- Also resetting L to a identity matrix can be done by replacing G with a identity matrix $I \in \mathbb{Z}^{2 \times 2}$

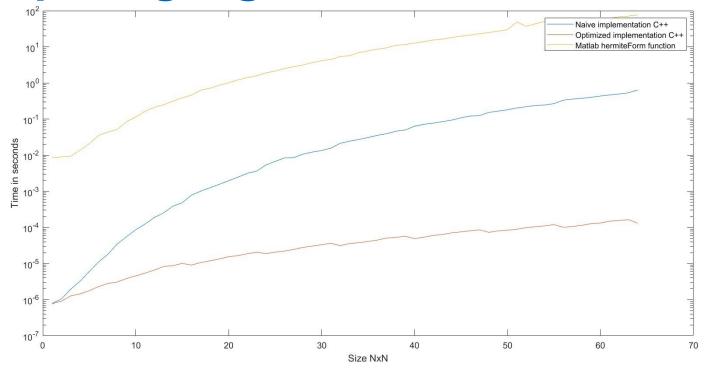




Optimized algorithm

- Still over half of the time used in calculating the HNF is taken by matrix multiplication
- Diophantine equation solver takes around 15% of the time
- And around 15% is spent inside the HNF algorithm itself
 - Mainly updating variables and if statements

Comparing algorithms to Matlab





Comparing algorithms to Matlab

- Clearly the optimized version is a lot more efficient in runtime
- Compared to the matlab version both were vastly superior, why?
 - Possibly since Matlab automatically stores values as double precision floats
 - Matlab is used for mostly matrices over real and complex numbers
 - HNF implementation might be of little importance
 - Overflow checking, see next slide

Shortcomings of algorithm in C++

- There is no integer overflow guard in the algorithm
 - Since the values, especially at the bottom right grow large extremely quickly overflow errors happen and the result is not correct
 - This starts happening when elements in $M \in \mathbb{Z}^{n \times n}$ being between -10 and 10 and n > 5

Sources

- https://github.com/KristianWasas/HNF-calc
- Chapter 2 of lecture notes
- https://github.com/google/benchmark
 - For benchmarking
- https://github.com/jrfonseca/gprof2dot
 - For visualization of profiling data
- Matlab R2022b for plotting