

Domain Specific Language for high performance computing

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Abstract

1 Introduction

1.1 Background

Particle simulations have been executed in various fields such as astrophysics and fluid dynamics. For example, N-body simulations simulate the dynamical evolution due to gravity between planets, and models of fluid motion models simulate water. Particle simulations are computationally demanding with respect to the number of particles. As an example, we will discuss the case of an N-body simulation. In this simulation, most of the computational time is occupied by the calculation of the gravitational interaction. equation (2.2) is the equation for the gravitational interaction.

$$a_i = \sum_{j \neq i}^N G m_j \frac{\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_i}{(|\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_i| + \epsilon^2)^{3/2}} \quad (1)$$

$a_i, \mathbf{x}_i, m_j, \mathbf{x}_j, N, G, \epsilon$ are the acceleration and position of particle i , the mass of particle j , the number of position particles, respectively, and softening parameters to prevent gravitational constant divergence. From equation (2.2), time complexity is proportional to the number of particles N ,

N-body simulations often require large numbers of particles. For example, a globular cluster contains about 10^4 10^5 stars. Therefore, very long computation time is required. parallel computing is generally used to speed up the process.

The computation of interparticle interactions has high data parallelism because the computation of particles is independent of each other. Therefore, Parallelism by SIMD(Single Instruction/Multiple Data), one of Flynn's taxonomy [1], is suitable. SIMD means processing multiple data for a single instruction. However, to perform SIMD, code must be written for the computer architecture.

The goal of this study is to allow users to run particle interaction calculations in parallel without having to be aware of parallelization. We developed a Domain Specific Language(DSL) called Pyker. DSL is a programming language for solving specific problems. Pyker generates parallelized code with SIMD instructions for the calculation of interactions from the definition of

variables and the description of formulas. The evaluation method for Pyker is to compare the performance of the automatic SIMD performed by the C compiler with that of the SIMD by Pyker. For this purpose, we measured the execution time of the code that does not adapt the SIMD instructions generated by Pyker for each of the three interaction calculations. The execution time of the code that does not adapt SIMD instructions generated from Pyker and the code that does adapt SIMD instructions are measured and compared.

In this paper, section 2 explains how Pyker defines the interparticle interaction equation, section 3 describes the process of code generation by Pyker, and section 4 presents the results of the performance evaluation experiments.

2 Definition of the interparticle interaction in Pyker

2.1 interparticle interaction

we explain the needed for information to the calculate interparticle interaction with reference to the actual code. gravity.cpp is the C++ source code that performs the calculation in equation (2.2).

Listing 1: skeleton code

```

1  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
2      double ax = 0.0;
3      double ay = 0.0;
4      double az = 0.0;
5
6      for (int j = 0; j < n; j++) {
7          double dx = double(xj[j][0] -
8              xi[i][0]);
9          double dy = double(xj[j][1] -
10             xi[i][1]);
11         double dz = double(xj[j][2] -
12             xi[i][2]);
13         double r2 = dx * dx + dy * dy +
14             dz * dz + eps2;
15         double ri2 = 1.0f / sqrt(r2);
16
17         double mr = mj[j] * ri2 * ri2 *
18             ri2;
19
20         ax += double(mr * dx);
21         ay += double(mr * dy);
22         az += double(mr * dz);
23     }
24 }
```

```

21 |   acci[i][0] = ax;
22 |   acci[i][1] = ay;
23 |   acci[i][2] = az;
24 | }

```

We will explain how this code corresponds to the expression (2.2). $acci, xi, mj, xj, eps2$ correspond to $a_i, x_i, m_j, x_j, N, \epsilon$ respectively. The G is not in the code because it can be calculated after the calculation of the interparticle interactions.

From this code, we can see that the variables to store the results, the variables for particle i and particle j respectively, and the variables for N and G can be calculated after the calculation of the particle-particle interaction. The other variables have different processing and data structures.

Therefore, there are three categories of information in a variable.

- Whether the variable is a particle i , a particle j , a variable that stores the result, or any other variable
- The type information of the variable.
- Whether the variable is a vector or not

With the definition of this variable and a description of the mathematical equation using the variable, a code to calculate the interparticle interaction can be generated. これらをもとに Pyker の言語仕様を説明する。

2.2 language specification

Pyker では、大きく、変数定義と相互作用記述に分かれる。まず変数定義について説明する。

先ほどのセクションより Pyker の変数定義を以下に正規表現で示す。

“(EPI|EPJ|FORCE)? (vec3 <)?(F64) >? \w+”

EPI, EPJ, FORCE はそれぞれ粒子 i , 粒子 j , 結果を保存する変数であることを示す。それ以外の変数は何も書かないベクトルは $vec3$ で表す。もしベクトルであれば $<>$ の中に型を定義する。型は倍精度小数だけで F64 で示す。最後に変数名を記述する。

次に相互作用記述の説明をする。相互作用の記述に使える演算は以下の図に示す。

以下にの計算を Pyker 記述した例を示す。

Listing 2: gravity_interparticle

```

1 | EPI vec3<F64> ri
2 | EPJ vec3<F64> rj
3 | EPJ F64 mass
4 | EPJ F64 eps2
5 | FORCE vec3<F64> ai
6 | rij = ri - rj
7 | r2 = rij * rij + eps2
8 | r_inv = 1.0 / sqrt(r2)

```

```

9 |   r2_inv = r_inv * r_inv
10 |   mr_inv = mass * r_inv
11 |   mr3_inv = r2_inv * mr_inv
12 |   ai = mr3_inv * rij

```

5 行目までは変数定義部になる。

Table 1: サンプル表

項目	値	単位
項目 1	100	kg
項目 2	200	g
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3 Construction

Pyker では、どういことができるのか？

We use Sympy, a library in Python for implementing the implementation of pyker. SymPy supports various operations, and the formulas using these operations are internally treated as syntax trees. We leveraged this functionality to read formulas and generate code capable of parallel execution. For parallelization, we used an instruction set named Advanced Vector Extensions 2 (AVX2). AVX2 is one of the extended instruction sets implemented in Intel’s CPUs. The next section will explain how parallelization is carried out using AVX2.

3.1 Pyker

In this DSL, code is generated by writing and compiling two definitions: the definition of variables and the definition of interaction formulas. First, let us explain the variable definition.

In this DSL, variables are classified into classes: EPI, EPJ, FORCE, and others. EPI represents particles that receive interactions, while EPJ represents particles that provide interactions. FORCE holds the results of the interaction calculations, and other variables include softening parameters and the like. To perform calculations using these variables, in C++, it would be similar to 4.

Listing 3: skeleton code

```

1 | int kernel(double xi[][3], double xj
   |  [][3], double ai[][3], double eps2
   |   , int n){
2 |   // (1).preprocess
3 |   for(int i = 0; i < n; i += 4) { //
   |     (2)Increment the number of
   |     parallels
4 |     // (3).load EPI
5 |     // (4).Initialization of temporary
   |     force
6 |     for(int j = 0; j < n; j += 1) {
7 |       // (5) load EPJ
8 |       // (6) calculate interparticle
   |       interactions

```

```

9      }
10     // (7). Store calculation result in
        the FORCE
11     }
12 }

```

(1) involves preparatory steps such as defining variables necessary for the calculation. (2) involves loading the variables of EPI. (3) is about initializing variables that temporarily hold the results of the interaction calculation. (4) involves performing the interaction calculation and saving the results in the primary variable of force. (5) involves storing the results in the FORCE variables. To generate this code, in variable definition, information about the class of the variable, its type, and its dimension is necessary. Therefore, in pyker, variable definitions are written as follows. The first column, if it is a class, writes the name of the class and its member variable name. The second column explicitly writes the dimensions of the vector if there are any, specifying 3 or 4 dimensions, and the type is either 32-bit or 64-bit floating-point. The third column becomes the name of the variable handled on pykg. For example, "EPI.pos vec3<F64> xi" would be a member variable of EPI named pos, a 3-dimensional 64-bit floating-point variable named xi. The definition of interaction formulas is written to accumulate the results in the FORCE variable using the defined variables. Primary variables necessary for the mathematical description can be newly defined using previously defined variables. Available operations include basic arithmetic, sqrt, and the power symbol "**". The result is stored in the FORCE variable using '='. For instance, to generate code that calculates the gravitational interaction formula shown in Figure 1, it would be written in this DSL as figure1.pyker.

Listing 4: hoge

```

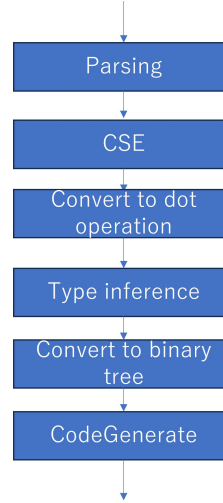
1 EPI.pos vec3<F64> xi
2 EPJ.pos vec3<F64> xj
3 EPJ.m F64 mass
4 FORCE.acc vec3<F64> ai
5 F64 eps2
6 F64 g
7 dr = xj - xi
8 ai = g * mass * dr / sqrt(dr ** 2 +
    eps2) ** 3

```

3.2 Implementation

The process of generating code is illustrated in the following flowchart. In Parsing, the information of the variables defined in the DSL code is converted into a hash with the variable names as keys. Formulas are converted into syntax trees using the sympify() method of Sympy, and a list of these trees is obtained. Next, Common Subexpression Elimination (CSE) is performed

on the syntax trees of the converted formulas. CSE is the process of reducing the number of operations by pre-calculating common subexpressions in formulas and using their results in subsequent calculations. In type inference, the types of the primary variables in the formulas are inferred. Afterward, all syntax trees are converted into binary trees to align them with SIMD operations. Finally, the code for calculating interactions is generated by traversing the processed syntax trees. The following sections describe how the implementation was carried out in the order of Parsing, CSE, type inference, conversion to binary trees, and Code genera-



tion.

3.2.1 Parsing

In Parsing, the process is divided between variable definition and formula handling. In variable definition, objects with class, vector, type, and variable name are created respectively. A hash with the variable name as the key is then made (name_variable_map). Formulas use the sympify() method from the Sympy library to convert the code read as a string into a syntax tree of formulas, obtaining a list of these syntax trees (expr_list). Next, Common Subexpression Elimination (CSE) is performed.

3.2.2 CSE

3.2.3 type inference

3.2.4 convert to binary trees

3.2.5 code generatation of non SIMD

3.2.6 code generatation of SIMD

4 Experiments

4.1 gravity interparticle

ほぼ同じコードで実行

Listing 5: Nbody-kernel.pyker

```

1 EPI vec3<F64> ri
2 EPJ vec3<F64> rj
3 EPJ F64 mass
4 EPJ F64 eps2
5 FORCE vec3<F64> ai
6 rij = ri - rj
7 r2 = rij * rij + eps2
8 r_inv = 1.0 / sqrt(r2)
9 r2_inv = r_inv * r_inv
10 mr_inv = mass * r_inv
11 mr3_inv = r2_inv * mr_inv
12 ai = mr3_inv * rij

```

```

11 FORCE F64 fz
12 FORCE F64 p
13 dx = rix - rjx
14 dy = riy - rjy
15 dz = riz - rjz
16 r2 = dx * dx + dy * dy + dz * dz + eps
17 r2i = 1.0 / r2
18 r6i = r2i * r2i * r2i
19 f = (48.0 * r6i - 24.0) * r6i * r2i
20 fx = f * dx
21 fy = f * dy
22 fz = f * dz
23 p = 4.0 * (r6i) * (r6i - 1.0)

```

Listing 6: Nbody-kernel.pikg

```

1 EPI F64vec ri:r
2 EPJ F64vec rj:r
3 EPJ F64 mj:m
4 EPJ F64 eps2:eps
5 FORCE F64vec ai:acc
6 rij = ri - rj
7 r2 = rij * rij + eps2
8 r_inv = rsqrt(r2)
9 r2_inv = r_inv * r_inv
10 mr_inv = mj * r_inv
11 mr3_inv = r2_inv * mr_inv
12 ai += mr3_inv * rij

```

non-simd
g++ -O3

N	Pyker	PIKG
25000	6.725156	4.444766
10000	0.738918sec	0.517324sec

Listing 7: Nbody-kernel.pikg

```

1 g++ -O3 -I ~/school/PIKG/PIKG/inc -
  mavx2 -mfma gravity_interparticle.
  cpp

```

N	Pyker(sec)	PIKG(sec)
50000	5.119071	3.333270
25000	1.218129	1.148511
10000	0.143777	0.101594
1000	0.003521	0.002168

4.2 LennardJones

Listing 8: LennardJones-kernel.pyker

```

1 EPI F64 rix
2 EPI F64 riy
3 EPI F64 riz
4 EPJ F64 rjx
5 EPJ F64 rjy
6 EPJ F64 rjz
7 EPJ F64 eps
8
9 FORCE F64 fx
10 FORCE F64 fy

```

Listing 9: LennardJones-kernel.pyker

```

1 EPI F64 rix:rx
2 EPI F64 riy:ry
3 EPI F64 riz:rz
4
5 EPJ F64 rjx:rx
6 EPJ F64 rjy:ry
7 EPJ F64 rjz:rz
8 EPJ F64 eps2:eps
9
10 FORCE F64 fx:fx
11 FORCE F64 fy:fy
12 FORCE F64 fz:fz
13 FORCE F64 p:p
14
15 dx = rix - rjx
16 dy = riy - rjy
17 dz = riz - rjz
18 r2 = dx * dx + dy * dy + dz * dz +
  eps2
19 r2i = 1.0 / r2
20 r6i = r2i * r2i * r2i
21 f = (48.0 * r6i - 24.0) * r6i * r2i
22 fx += f * dx
23 fy += f * dy
24 fz += f * dz
25 p += 4.0 * r6i * (r6i - 1.0)

```

N	Pyker	PIKG
50000	40.736862	11.656278
25000	10.662050	3.521253
10000	0.985475	0.442775

N	Pyker	PIKG
50000	3.702871	2.838773
25000	0.838122	0.9904373
10000	0.134388	0.215270

5 Conclusion

6 Acknowledgement

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