

# Introducing R: From Your Laptop to HPC and Big Data

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# About This Presentation

## Downloads

This presentation and supplemental materials are available at:

<http://r-pbd.org/tutorial>

Sample R scripts and pbs job scripts available on Nautilus from:  
[/lustre/medusa/mschmid3/tutorial/scripts.tar.gz](http://lustre/medusa/mschmid3/tutorial/scripts.tar.gz)

## About This Presentation

### *Speaking Serial R with a Parallel Accent*

The content of this presentation is based in part on the **pbdDEMO** vignette *Speaking Serial R with a Parallel Accent*

<http://goo.gl/HZkRt>

It contains more examples, and sometimes added detail.

## About This Presentation

### Installation Instructions

Installation instructions for setting up a pbDR environment are available:

<http://r-pbd.org/install.html>

This includes instructions for installing R, MPI, and pbDR.

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## Message Passing Interface (MPI)

- *MPI*: Standard for managing communications (data and instructions) between different nodes/computers.
- *Implementations*: OpenMPI, MPICH2, Cray MPT, ...
- Enables parallelism (via communication) on distributed machines.
- *Communicator*: manages communications between processors.



## MPI Operations (1 of 2)

- **Managing a Communicator:** Create and destroy communicators.  
`init()` — initialize communicator  
`finalize()` — shut down communicator(s)
- **Rank query:** determine the processor's position in the communicator.  
`comm.rank()` — “who am I?”  
`comm.size()` — “how many of us are there?”
- **Printing:** Printing output from various ranks.  
`comm.print(x)`  
`comm.cat(x)`  
**WARNING:** only use these functions on *results*, never on yet-to-be-computed things.

## Quick Example 1

Rank Query: 1\_rank.r

```

1 library(pbdMPI, quiet = TRUE)
2 init()
3
4 my.rank <- comm.rank()
5 comm.print(my.rank, all.rank=TRUE)
6
7 finalize()

```

Execute this script via:

```
1 mpirun -np 2 Rscript 1_rank.r
```

Sample Output:

```

1 COMM.RANK = 0
2 [1] 0
3 COMM.RANK = 1
4 [1] 1

```

## Quick Example 2

Hello World: 2\_hello.r

```

1 library(pbdMPI, quiet=TRUE)
2 init()
3
4 comm.print("Hello, world")
5
6 comm.print("Hello again", all.rank=TRUE, quiet=TRUE)
7
8 finalize()

```

Execute this script via:

```
1 mpirun -np 2 Rscript 2_hello.r
```

Sample Output:

```

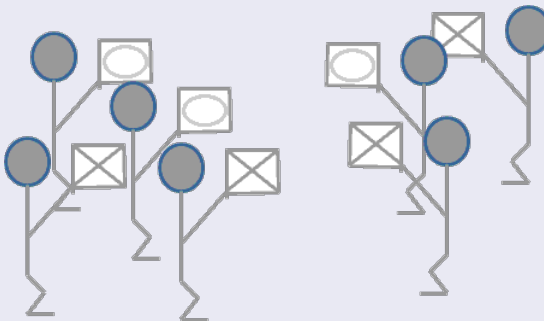
1 COMM.RANK = 0
2 [1] "Hello, world"
3 [1] "Hello again"
4 [1] "Hello again"

```

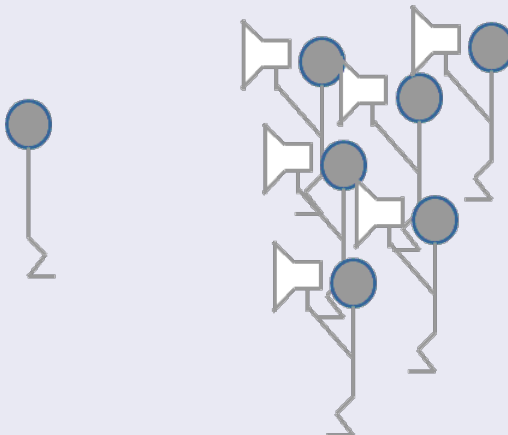
## MPI Operations

- 1 Reduce
- 2 Gather
- 3 Broadcast
- 4 Barrier

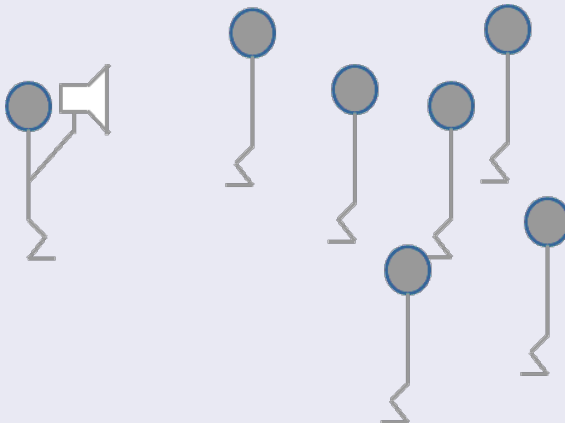
## Reductions — Combine results into single result



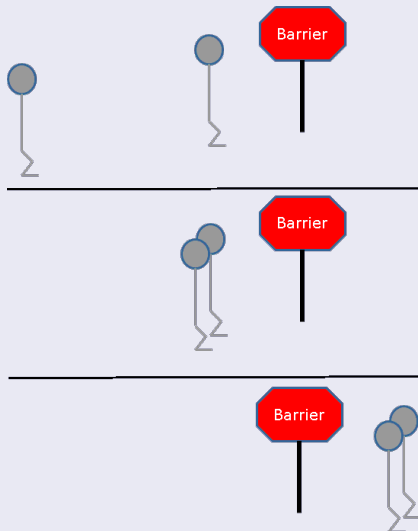
## Gather — Many-to-one



## Broadcast — One-to-many



## Barrier — Synchronization





## MPI Operations (2 of 2)

- Reduction:** each processor has a number  $x$ ; add all of them up, find the largest/smallest, ....  
`reduce(x, op='sum')` — reduce to one  
`allreduce(x, op='sum')` — reduce to all
- Gather:** each processor has a number; create a new object on some processor containing all of those numbers.  
`gather(x)` — gather to one  
`allgather(x)` — gather to all
- Broadcast:** one processor has a number  $x$  that every other processor should also have.  
`bcast(x)`
- Barrier:** “computation wall”; no processor can proceed until *all* processors can proceed.  
`barrier()`

## MPI Package Controls

The `.SPMD.CT` object allows for setting different package options with **pbdMPI**. See the entry *SPMD Control* of the **pbdMPI** manual for information about the `.SPMD.CT` object:

<http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/pbdMPI/pbdMPI.pdf>

## Random Seeds

**pbdMPI** offers a simple interface for managing random seeds:

- `comm.set.seed(diff=TRUE)` — Independent streams via the **rlecuyer** package.
- `comm.set.seed(seed=1234, diff=FALSE)` — All processors use the same seed `seed=1234`
- `comm.set.seed(diff=FALSE)` — All processors use the same seed, determined by processor 0 (using the system clock and PID of processor 0).

## Other Helper Tools

**pbdMPI** Also contains useful tools for Manager/Worker and task parallelism codes:

- **Task Subsetting:** Distributing a list of jobs/tasks  
`get.jid(n)`
- **\*ply:** Functions in the \*ply family.  
`pbdApply(X, MARGIN, FUN, ...)` — analogue of `apply()`  
`pbdLapply(X, FUN, ...)` — analogue of `lapply()`  
`pbdSapply(X, FUN, ...)` — analogue of `sapply()`

## Quick Comments for Using pbdMPI

- 1 Start by loading the package:

```
1 library(pbdMPI, quiet = TRUE)
```

- 2 Always initialize before starting and finalize when finished:

```
1 init()  
2  
3 # ...  
4  
5 finalize()
```

# Basic MPI Exercises

- 1 Experiment with Quick Examples 1 through 6, running them on 2, 4, and 8 processors.

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## Distributing Data

**Problem:** How to distribute the data

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{1,1} & X_{1,2} & X_{1,3} \\ X_{2,1} & X_{2,2} & X_{2,3} \\ X_{3,1} & X_{3,2} & X_{3,3} \\ X_{4,1} & X_{4,2} & X_{4,3} \\ X_{5,1} & X_{5,2} & X_{5,3} \\ X_{6,1} & X_{6,2} & X_{6,3} \\ X_{7,1} & X_{7,2} & X_{7,3} \\ X_{8,1} & X_{8,2} & X_{8,3} \\ X_{9,1} & X_{9,2} & X_{9,3} \\ X_{10,1} & X_{10,2} & X_{10,3} \end{bmatrix}_{10 \times 3}$$

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## Distributing a Matrix Across 4 Processors: Block Distribution

Data

Processors

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} & x_{1,3} \\ x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} & x_{2,3} \\ x_{3,1} & x_{3,2} & x_{3,3} \\ \hline x_{4,1} & x_{4,2} & x_{4,3} \\ x_{5,1} & x_{5,2} & x_{5,3} \\ x_{6,1} & x_{6,2} & x_{6,3} \\ \hline x_{7,1} & x_{7,2} & x_{7,3} \\ x_{8,1} & x_{8,2} & x_{8,3} \\ x_{9,1} & x_{9,2} & x_{9,3} \\ \hline x_{10,1} & x_{10,2} & x_{10,3} \end{bmatrix}_{10 \times 3}$$

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## Distributing a Matrix Across 4 Processors: Local Load Balance

	Data	Processors
$X =$	$x_{1,1}$ $x_{1,2}$ $x_{1,3}$	0
	$x_{2,1}$ $x_{2,2}$ $x_{2,3}$	1
	$x_{3,1}$ $x_{3,2}$ $x_{3,3}$	2
	$x_{4,1}$ $x_{4,2}$ $x_{4,3}$	3
	$x_{5,1}$ $x_{5,2}$ $x_{5,3}$	
	$x_{6,1}$ $x_{6,2}$ $x_{6,3}$	
	$x_{7,1}$ $x_{7,2}$ $x_{7,3}$	
	$x_{8,1}$ $x_{8,2}$ $x_{8,3}$	
	$x_{9,1}$ $x_{9,2}$ $x_{9,3}$	
	$x_{10,1}$ $x_{10,2}$ $x_{10,3}$	

$10 \times 3$

## The GBD Data Structure

Throughout the examples, we will make use of the Generalized Block Distribution, or GBD distributed matrix structure.

- ① GBD is *distributed*. No processor owns all the data.
- ② GBD is *non-overlapping*. Rows uniquely assigned to processors.
- ③ GBD is *row-contiguous*. If a processor owns one element of a row, it owns the entire row.
- ④ GBD is globally *row-major*, locally *column-major*.
- ⑤ GBD is often *locally balanced*, where each processor owns (almost) the same amount of data. But this is not required.
- ⑥ The last row of the local storage of a processor is adjacent (by global row) to the first row of the local storage of next processor (by communicator number) that owns data.
- ⑦ GBD is (relatively) easy to understand, but can lead to bottlenecks if you have many more columns than rows.

$x_{1,1}$	$x_{1,2}$	$x_{1,3}$
$x_{2,1}$	$x_{2,2}$	$x_{2,3}$
$x_{3,1}$	$x_{3,2}$	$x_{3,3}$
$x_{4,1}$	$x_{4,2}$	$x_{4,3}$
$x_{5,1}$	$x_{5,2}$	$x_{5,3}$
$x_{6,1}$	$x_{6,2}$	$x_{6,3}$
$x_{7,1}$	$x_{7,2}$	$x_{7,3}$
$x_{8,1}$	$x_{8,2}$	$x_{8,3}$
$x_{9,1}$	$x_{9,2}$	$x_{9,3}$
$x_{10,1}$	$x_{10,2}$	$x_{10,3}$

## Understanding GBD: Global Matrix

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

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Wrapup

## GBD: Example 1

### Understanding GBD: Load Balanced GBD

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

Processors = 0 1 2 3 4 5

## GBD: Example 1

## Understanding GBD: Local View

[	X <sub>11</sub>	X <sub>12</sub>	X <sub>13</sub>	X <sub>14</sub>	X <sub>15</sub>	X <sub>16</sub>	X <sub>17</sub>	X <sub>18</sub>	X <sub>19</sub>	]	2×9
[	X <sub>21</sub>	X <sub>22</sub>	X <sub>23</sub>	X <sub>24</sub>	X <sub>25</sub>	X <sub>26</sub>	X <sub>27</sub>	X <sub>28</sub>	X <sub>29</sub>	]	2×9
[	X <sub>31</sub>	X <sub>32</sub>	X <sub>33</sub>	X <sub>34</sub>	X <sub>35</sub>	X <sub>36</sub>	X <sub>37</sub>	X <sub>38</sub>	X <sub>39</sub>	]	2×9
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[	X <sub>81</sub>	X <sub>82</sub>	X <sub>83</sub>	X <sub>84</sub>	X <sub>85</sub>	X <sub>86</sub>	X <sub>87</sub>	X <sub>88</sub>	X <sub>89</sub>	]	1×9
[	X <sub>91</sub>	X <sub>92</sub>	X <sub>93</sub>	X <sub>94</sub>	X <sub>95</sub>	X <sub>96</sub>	X <sub>97</sub>	X <sub>98</sub>	X <sub>99</sub>	]	1×9

Processors = 0 1 2 3 4 5

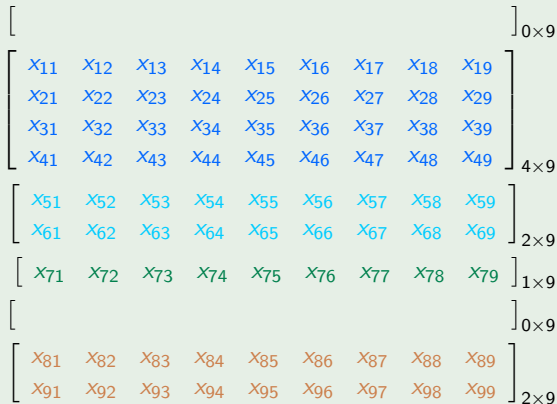
## Understanding GBD: Non-Balanced GBD

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{array}{ccccccccc} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ \hline X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ \hline X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ \hline X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{array} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

Processors = 0 1 2 3 4 5

## GBD: Example 2

## Understanding GBD: Local View





## Quick Comment for GBD

Local pieces of GBD distributed objects will be given the suffix `.gbd` to visually help distinguish them from global objects. This suffix carries no semantic meaning.

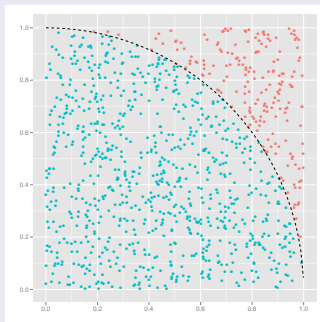
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## Example 1: Monte Carlo Simulation

Sample  $N$  uniform observations  $(x_i, y_i)$  in the unit square  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ . Then

$$\pi \approx 4 \left( \frac{\# \text{ Inside Circle}}{\# \text{ Total}} \right) = 4 \left( \frac{\# \text{ Blue}}{\# \text{ Blue} + \# \text{ Red}} \right)$$



## Example 1: Monte Carlo Simulation GBD Algorithm

- 1 Let  $n$  be big-ish; we'll take  $n = 50,000$ .
- 2 Generate an  $n \times 2$  matrix  $x$  of standard uniform observations.
- 3 Count the number of rows satisfying  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$
- 4 Ask everyone else what their answer is; sum it all up.
- 5 Take this new answer, multiply by 4 and divide by  $n$
- 6 If my rank is 0, print the result.

## Example 1: Monte Carlo Simulation Code

### Serial Code

```

1 N <- 50000
2 X <- matrix(runif(N * 2), ncol=2)
3 r <- sum(rowSums(X^2) <= 1)
4 PI <- 4*r/N
5 print(PI)

```

### Parallel Code

```

1 library(pbdMPI, quiet = TRUE)
2 init()
3 comm.set.seed(diff=TRUE)
4
5 N.gbd <- 50000 / comm.size()
6 X.gbd <- matrix(runif(N.gbd * 2), ncol = 2)
7 r.gbd <- sum(rowSums(X.gbd^2) <= 1)
8 r <- allreduce(r.gbd)
9 PI <- 4*r/(N.gbd * comm.size())
10 comm.print(PI)
11
12 finalize()

```

## Note

For the remainder, we will exclude loading, init, and finalize calls.

## Example 2: Sample Covariance

$$\text{cov}(x_{n \times p}) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu_x)(x_i - \mu_x)^T$$

## Example 2: Sample Covariance GBD Algorithm

- 1 Determine the total number of rows  $N$ .
- 2 Compute the vector of column means of the full matrix.
- 3 Subtract each column's mean from that column's entries in each local matrix.
- 4 Compute the crossproduct locally and reduce.
- 5 Divide by  $N - 1$ .



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## Example 2: Sample Covariance Code

### Serial Code

```

1 N <- nrow(X)
2 mu <- colSums(X) / N
3
4 X <- sweep(X, STATS=mu, MARGIN=2)
5 Cov.X <- crossprod(X) / (N-1)
6
7 print(Cov.X)

```

### Parallel Code

```

1 N <- allreduce(nrow(X.gbd), op="sum")
2 mu <- allreduce(colSums(X.gbd) / N, op="sum")
3
4 X.gbd <- sweep(X.gbd, STATS=mu, MARGIN=2)
5 Cov.X <- allreduce(crossprod(X.gbd), op="sum") / (N-1)
6
7 comm.print(Cov.X)

```

### Example 3: Linear Regression

Find  $\beta$  such that

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \epsilon$$

When  $\mathbf{X}$  is full rank,

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

### Example 3: Linear Regression GBD Algorithm

- 1 Locally, compute  $tx = x^T$
- 2 Locally, compute  $A = tx * x$ . Query every other processor for this result and sum up all the results.
- 3 Locally, compute  $B = tx * y$ . Query every other processor for this result and sum up all the results.
- 4 Locally, compute  $A^{-1} * B$

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## Example 3: Linear Regression Code

### Serial Code

```

1 tX <- t(X)
2 A <- tX %*% X
3 B <- tX %*% y
4
5 ols <- solve(A) %*% B

```

### Parallel Code

```

1 tX.gbd <- t(X.gbd)
2 A <- allreduce(tX.gbd %*% X.gbd, op = "sum")
3 B <- allreduce(tX.gbd %*% y.gbd, op = "sum")
4
5 ols <- solve(A) %*% B

```

# MPI Exercises

- 1 Experiment with Statistics Examples 1 through 3, running them on 2, 4, and 8 processors.

# Advanced MPI Exercises I

- 1 Write a script that will have each processor randomly take a sample of size 1 of TRUE and FALSE. Have each processor print its result.
- 2 Modify the script in Exercise 1 above to determine if any processors sampled TRUE. Do the same to determine if all processors sampled TRUE. In each case, print the result. Compare to the functions `comm.all()` and `comm.any()`.
- 3 Generate 50,000,000 (total) random normal values in parallel on 2, 4, and 8 processors. Time each run.

## Advanced MPI Exercises II

- ④ Distribute the matrix `x <- matrix(1:24, nrow=12)` in GBD format across 4 processors and call it `x.spmd`.
  - ① Add `x.spmd` to itself.
  - ② Compute the mean of `x.spmd`.
  - ③ Compute the column means of `x.spmd`.

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## Distributed Matrices

Most problems in data science are matrix algebra problems, so:

Distributed matrices  $\implies$  Handle Bigger data

## Distributed Matrices

High level OOP allows *native* serial R syntax:

```
1 x <- x[-1, 2:5]
2 x <- log(abs(x) + 1)
3 xtx <- t(x) %*% x
4 ans <- svd(solve(xtx))
```

However...

## Distributed Matrices

### DMAT:

- Distributed **MAT**rix data structure.
- No single processor should hold all of the data.
- Block-cyclic matrix distributed across a 2-dimensional grid of processors.
- Very robust, but confusing data structure.

## Distributed Matrices



(a) Block



(b) Cyclic



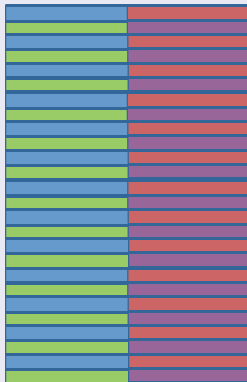
(c) Block-Cyclic

Figure: Matrix Distribution Schemes

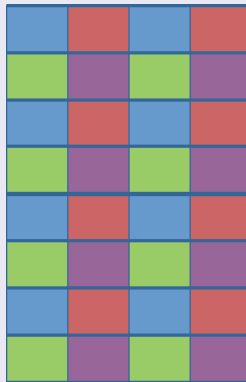
## Distributed Matrices



(a) 2d Block



(b) 2d Cyclic



(c) 2d Block-Cyclic

Figure: Matrix Distribution Schemes Onto a 2-Dimensional Grid

## Processor Grid Shapes

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

(a)  $1 \times 6$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)  $2 \times 3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c)  $3 \times 2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d)  $6 \times 1$

Table: Processor Grid Shapes with 6 Processors

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## Distributed Matrices

The data structure is a special R class (in the OOP sense) called `ddmatrix`. It is the “under the rug” storage for a block-cyclic matrix distributed onto a 2-dimensional processor grid.

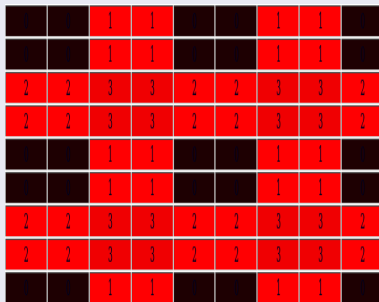
$$\text{ddmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Data} & \text{S4 local submatrix, an R matrix} \\ \text{dim} & \text{S4 dimension of the global matrix, a numeric pair} \\ \text{ldim} & \text{S4 dimension of the local submatrix, a numeric pair} \\ \text{bldim} & \text{S4 ScaLAPACK blocking factor, a numeric pair} \\ \text{CTXT} & \text{S4 BLACS context, an numeric singleton} \end{array} \right.$$

with prototype

$$\text{new("ddmatrix")} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Data} & = \text{matrix}(0.0) \\ \text{dim} & = \text{c}(1,1) \\ \text{ldim} & = \text{c}(1,1) \\ \text{bldim} & = \text{c}(1,1) \\ \text{CTXT} & = 0.0 \end{array} \right.$$

## Distributed Matrices: The Data Structure

Example: an  $9 \times 9$  matrix is distributed with a “block-cycling” factor of  $2 \times 2$  on a  $2 \times 2$  processor grid:



= { **Data** = matrix(...)  
**dim** = c(9, 9)  
**ldim** = c(...)  
**bldim** = c(2, 2)  
**CTXT** = 0

See <http://acts.nersc.gov/scalapack/hands-on/datadist.html>



## Understanding Dmat: Global Matrix

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

## DMAT: 1-dimensional Row Block

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ \hline X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ \hline X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

$$\text{Processor grid} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (0,0) \\ (0,1) \\ (1,0) \\ (1,1) \end{vmatrix}$$

## DMAT: 2-dimensional Row Block

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ \hline X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

$$\text{Processor grid} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (0,0) & (0,1) \\ (1,0) & (1,1) \end{vmatrix}$$

## DMAT: 1-dimensional Row Cyclic

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

$$\text{Processor grid} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (0,0) \\ (0,1) \\ (1,0) \\ (1,1) \end{vmatrix}$$

## DMAT: 2-dimensional Row Cyclic

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

$$\text{Processor grid} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (0,0) & (0,1) \\ (1,0) & (1,1) \end{vmatrix}$$

## DMAT: 2-dimensional Block-Cyclic

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|cc|c} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|cc|c} X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|cc|c} X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|cc|c} X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|cc|c} X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{array} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

$$\text{Processor grid} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (0,0) & (0,1) \\ (1,0) & (1,1) \end{vmatrix}$$

## The DMAT Data Structure

The more complicated the processor grid, the more complicated the distribution.

## DMAT: 2-dimensional Block-Cyclic with 6 Processors

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{array}{cc|cc|cc|cc|c} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} & X_{16} & X_{17} & X_{18} & X_{19} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} & X_{26} & X_{27} & X_{28} & X_{29} \\ \hline X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} & X_{36} & X_{37} & X_{38} & X_{39} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} & X_{46} & X_{47} & X_{48} & X_{49} \\ \hline X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} & X_{56} & X_{57} & X_{58} & X_{59} \\ X_{61} & X_{62} & X_{63} & X_{64} & X_{65} & X_{66} & X_{67} & X_{68} & X_{69} \\ \hline X_{71} & X_{72} & X_{73} & X_{74} & X_{75} & X_{76} & X_{77} & X_{78} & X_{79} \\ X_{81} & X_{82} & X_{83} & X_{84} & X_{85} & X_{86} & X_{87} & X_{88} & X_{89} \\ \hline X_{91} & X_{92} & X_{93} & X_{94} & X_{95} & X_{96} & X_{97} & X_{98} & X_{99} \end{array} \end{bmatrix}_{9 \times 9}$$

$$\text{Processor grid} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (0,0) & (0,1) & (0,2) \\ (1,0) & (1,1) & (1,2) \end{vmatrix}$$



## Understanding DMAT: Local View



$$\text{Processor grid} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (0,0) & (0,1) & (0,2) \\ (1,0) & (1,1) & (1,2) \end{vmatrix}$$

## The DMAT Data Structure

- 1 DMAT is *distributed*. No one processor owns all of the matrix.
- 2 DMAT is *non-overlapping*. Any piece owned by one processor is owned by no other processors.
- 3 DMAT can be row-contiguous or not, depending on the processor grid and blocking factor used.
- 4 DMAT is locally column-major and globally, it depends. . .
- 6 GBD is a generalization of the one-dimensional block DMAT distribution. Otherwise there is no relation.
- 7 DMAT is confusing, but very robust.

X <sub>11</sub>	X <sub>12</sub>	X <sub>13</sub>	X <sub>14</sub>	X <sub>15</sub>
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X <sub>31</sub>	X <sub>32</sub>	X <sub>33</sub>	X <sub>34</sub>	X <sub>35</sub>
X <sub>41</sub>	X <sub>42</sub>	X <sub>43</sub>	X <sub>44</sub>	X <sub>45</sub>
X <sub>51</sub>	X <sub>52</sub>	X <sub>53</sub>	X <sub>54</sub>	X <sub>55</sub>
X <sub>61</sub>	X <sub>62</sub>	X <sub>63</sub>	X <sub>64</sub>	X <sub>65</sub>
X <sub>71</sub>	X <sub>72</sub>	X <sub>73</sub>	X <sub>74</sub>	X <sub>75</sub>
X <sub>81</sub>	X <sub>82</sub>	X <sub>83</sub>	X <sub>84</sub>	X <sub>85</sub>
X <sub>91</sub>	X <sub>92</sub>	X <sub>93</sub>	X <sub>94</sub>	X <sub>95</sub>

## Pros and Cons of This Data Structure

### Pros

- Fast for distributed matrix computations

### Cons

- Literally everything else

*This is why we hide most of the distributed details.*

The details are there if you want them (you don't want them).

## Distributed Matrix Methods

**pbDMAT** has over 100 methods with *identical* syntax to R:

- ``[, rbind(), cbind(), ...`
- `lm.fit(), prcomp(), cov(), ...`
- ``%*%`, solve(), svd(), norm(), ...`
- `median(), mean(), rowSums(), ...`

### Serial Code

```
1 cov(x)
```

### Parallel Code

```
1 cov(x)
```

## Comparing pbdMPI and pbdDMAT

### pbdMPI:

- MPI + sugar.
- GBD not the only structure **pbdMPI** can handle (just a useful convention).

### pbdDMAT:

- More of a software package.
- DMAT structure *must* be used for **pbdDMAT**.
- If the data is not 2d block-cyclic compatible, DMAT will *definitely* give the wrong answer.

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## Quick Comments for Using pbdDMAT

- 1 Start by loading the package:

```
1 library(pbdDMAT, quiet = TRUE)
```

- 2 Always initialize before starting and finalize when finished:

```
1 init.grid()  
2  
3 # ...  
4  
5 finalize()
```

- 3 Distributed DMAT objects will be given the suffix `.dmat` to visually help distinguish them from global objects. This suffix carries no semantic meaning.

# Contents

- 5 Examples Using pbDMAT
  - Statistics Examples with pbDMAT
  - RandSVD

## Sample Covariance

### Serial Code

```
1 Cov.X <- cov(X)
2 print(Cov.X)
```

### Parallel Code

```
1 Cov.X <- cov(X)
2 print(Cov.X)
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## Statistics Examples with pbdDMAT

## Linear Regression

## Serial Code

```

1 tX <- t(X)
2 A <- tX %*% X
3 B <- tX %*% y
4
5 ols <- solve(A) %*% B
6
7 # or
8 ols <- lm.fit(X, y)

```

## Parallel Code

```

1 tX <- t(X)
2 A <- tX %*% X
3 B <- tX %*% y
4
5 ols <- solve(A) %*% B
6
7 # or
8 ols <- lm.fit(X, y)

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## Statistics Examples with pbdDMAT

## Example 5: PCA

## PCA: pca.r

```
1 library(pbdDMAT, quiet=T)
2 init.grid()
3
4 n <- 1e4
5 p <- 250
6
7 comm.set.seed(diff=T)
8 x.dmat <- ddmatrix("rnorm", nrow=n, ncol=p, mean=100, sd=25)
9
10 pca <- prcomp(x=x.dmat, retx=TRUE, scale=TRUE)
11 prop_var <- cumsum(pca$sdev)/sum(pca$sdev)
12 i <- max(min(which(prop_var > 0.9)) - 1, 1)
13
14 y.dmat <- pca$x[, 1:i]
15
16 comm.cat("\nCols: ", i, "\n", quiet=T)
17 comm.cat("%Cols: ", i/dim(x.dmat)[2], "\n\n", quiet=T)
18
19 finalize()
```

Execute this script via:

Sample Output:

```
1 mpirun -np 2 Rscript 5_pca.r
```

```
1 Cols: 221
2 %Cols: 0.884
```

## Distributed Matrices

**pbDEMO** contains many other examples of reading and managing GBD and DMAT data

Randomized SVD<sup>3</sup>

## PROTOTYPE FOR RANDOMIZED SVD

Given an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ , a target number  $k$  of singular vectors, and an exponent  $q$  (say,  $q = 1$  or  $q = 2$ ), this procedure computes an approximate rank- $2k$  factorization  $U\Sigma V^*$ , where  $U$  and  $V$  are orthonormal, and  $\Sigma$  is nonnegative and diagonal.

## Stage A:

- 1 Generate an  $n \times 2k$  Gaussian test matrix  $\Omega$ .
- 2 Form  $Y = (AA^*)^q A\Omega$  by multiplying alternately with  $A$  and  $A^*$ .
- 3 Construct a matrix  $Q$  whose columns form an orthonormal basis for the range of  $Y$ .

## Stage B:

- 4 Form  $B = Q^*A$ .
- 5 Compute an SVD of the small matrix:  $B = \tilde{U}\Sigma V^*$ .
- 6 Set  $U = Q\tilde{U}$ .

**Note:** The computation of  $Y$  in step 2 is vulnerable to round-off errors. When high accuracy is required, we must incorporate an orthonormalization step between each application of  $A$  and  $A^*$ ; see Algorithm 4.4.

## ALGORITHM 4.4: RANDOMIZED SUBSPACE ITERATION

Given an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  and integers  $\ell$  and  $q$ , this algorithm computes an  $m \times \ell$  orthonormal matrix  $Q$  whose range approximates the range of  $A$ .

- 1 Draw an  $n \times \ell$  standard Gaussian matrix  $\Omega$ .
- 2 Form  $Y_0 = A\Omega$  and compute its QR factorization  $Y_0 = Q_0R_0$ .
- 3 for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, q$ 
  - 4 Form  $\tilde{Y}_j = A^*Q_{j-1}$  and compute its QR factorization  $\tilde{Y}_j = \tilde{Q}_j\tilde{R}_j$ .
  - 5 Form  $Y_j = A\tilde{Q}_j$  and compute its QR factorization  $Y_j = Q_jR_j$ .
  - 6 end
  - 7  $Q = Q_q$ .

## Serial R

```

1 randSVD <- function(A, k, q=3)
2 {
3   ## Stage A
4   Omega <- matrix(rnorm(n*2*k),
5                     nrow=n, ncol=2*k)
6   Y <- A %*% Omega
7   Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
8   At <- t(A)
9   for(i in 1:q)
10    {
11      Y <- At %*% Q
12      Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
13      Y <- A %*% Q
14      Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
15    }
16
17   ## Stage B
18   B <- t(Q) %*% A
19   U <- La.svd(B)$u
20   U <- Q %*% U
21   U[, 1:k]
22 }
```

<sup>1</sup>Halko N, Martinsson P-G and Tropp J A 2011 Finding structure with randomness: probabilistic algorithms for constructing approximate matrix decompositions *SIAM Rev.* **53** 217–88

## Randomized SVD

## Serial R

```

1 randSVD <- function(A, k, q=3)
2 {
3   ## Stage A
4   Omega <- matrix(rnorm(n*2*k),
5                   nrow=n, ncol=2*k)
6   Y <- A %*% Omega
7   Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
8   At <- t(A)
9   for(i in 1:q)
10    {
11      Y <- At %*% Q
12      Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
13      Y <- A %*% Q
14      Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
15    }
16
17   ## Stage B
18   B <- t(Q) %*% A
19   U <- La.svd(B)$u
20   U <- Q %*% U
21   U[, 1:k]
22 }

```

## Parallel pbdR

```

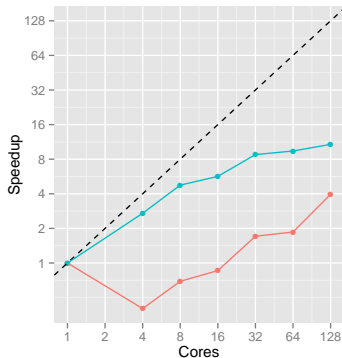
1 randSVD <- function(A, k, q=3)
2 {
3   ## Stage A
4   Omega <- ddmatrix("rnorm",
5                   nrow=n, ncol=2*k)
6   Y <- A %*% Omega
7   Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
8   At <- t(A)
9   for(i in 1:q)
10    {
11      Y <- At %*% Q
12      Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
13      Y <- A %*% Q
14      Q <- qr.Q(qr(Y))
15    }
16
17   ## Stage B
18   B <- t(Q) %*% A
19   U <- La.svd(B)$u
20   U <- Q %*% U
21   U[, 1:k]
22 }

```

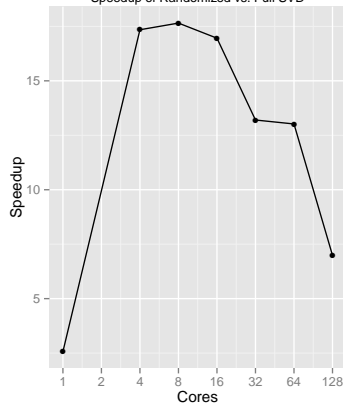
## Randomized SVD

30 Singular Vectors from a 100,000 by 1,000 Matrix

Algorithm — full — randomized



30 Singular Vectors from a 100,000 by 1,000 Matrix  
Speedup of Randomized vs. Full SVD



# DMAT Exercises

- 1 Experiment with DMAT Examples 1 through 5, running them on 2 and 4 processors.

# Advanced DMAT Exercises I

- ① Subsetting, selection, and filtering are basic matrix operations featured in R. The following may look silly, but it is useful for data processing. Let `x.dmat <- ddmatrix(1:30, 10, 3)`. Do the following:

- `y.dmat <- x.dmat[c(1, 5, 4, 3), ]`  
`y.dmat <- x.dmat[c(10:3, 5, 5), ]`  
`y.dmat <- x.dmat[1:5, 3:1]`
- `y.dmat <- x.dmat[x.dmat[, 2] > 13, ]`  
`y.dmat <- x.dmat[x.dmat[, 2] > x.dmat[, 3], ]`  
`y.dmat <- x.dmat[, x.dmat[2,] > x.dmat[3, ]]`  
`y.dmat <- x.dmat[c(1, 3, 5), x.dmat[, 2] > x.dmat[, 3]]`



## Advanced DMAT Exercises II

- ② The method `crossprod()` is an optimized form of the crossproduct computation `t(x.dmat) %*% x.dmat`. For this exercise, let `x.dmat <- ddmatrix(1:30, nrow=10, ncol=3)`.
  - ① Verify that these computations really do produce the same results.
  - ② Time each operation. Which is faster?
- ③ The `prcomp()` method returns rotations for all components. Computationally verify by example that these rotations are orthogonal, i.e., that their crossproduct is the identity matrix.

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## Where to Learn More

- Our website <http://r-pbd.org/>
- The **pbDEMO** package  
<http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/pbdDEMO/>
- The **pbDEMO** Vignette: <http://goo.gl/HZkRt>
- Our Google Group: <http://group.r-pbd.org>

## Tutorials

- OLCF Data Workshop, August 8, Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- SC13, November 17-22, Denver, Colorado

## Invited Talks

- JSM 2013, August 3-8, Montréal, Québec
- IASC, Aug 22-23, Seoul
- World Statistics Congress, August 25-30, Hong Kong

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Wrapup

Thanks for coming!

Questions? Comments?