High Performance Linear Algebra II

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Dense & Parallel

In this topic we will still discuss **dense** (as opposed to **sparse**) matrices, but now focus on parallel execution.

- Best Performance (and scalability) most-often comes down to making best use of (local) L3 BLAS
- Optimized BLAS are generally crucial for achieving performance gains

BLAS Recapitulated

BLAS are critical:

- Foundation for all (computational) linear algebra
- Parallel versions still call serial versions on each processor
- Performance goes up with increasing ratio of floating point operations to memory references
- Well-tuned BLAS takes maximum advantage of memory hierarchy

BLAS Level	Calculation	Memory Refs.	Flop Count	Ratio(Flop/Mem)
1	DDOT	3 <i>N</i>	2 <i>N</i>	2/3
2	DGEMV	N^2	$2N^{2}$	2
3	DGEMM	$4N^2$	2 <i>N</i> ³	N/2

Simple Memory Model

Let us assume just two levels of memory - slow and fast

m = # memory elements (words) moved between fast and slow memory,

 τ_m = time per slow memory operation,

 f_{OD} = number of floating-point operations,

 τ_f = time per floating-point operation,

and $q = f_{op}/m$. Minimum time is just $f_{op} * \tau_f$, but more realistically:

time
$$\simeq f_{op} * \tau_f + m * \tau_m = f_{op} \tau_f [1 + \tau_m/(q\tau_f)]$$
.

key observation - we need 'optimal reuse' of data = larger q (certainly $\tau_m \gg \tau_f$).

Simple Matrix Multiplication

Everyone has probably written this out at least once ...

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
  for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
    C[i][j] = 0.0;
    for(k=0;k<N;k++) {
        C[i][j] += A[i][k]*B[k][j];
    }
}
}</pre>
```

in order to multiply two matrices, **A** and **B**, and store the result in a third, **C**.

- Can use a temporary scalar to avoid dereferencing in innermost loop
- $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$ multiply-add operations

In this case, **partitioning** is also known as **block matrix multiplication**:

- Divide into s^2 submatrices, $N/s \times N/s$ elements in each submatrix
- Let m = N/s, and

```
for(p=0; p<s; p++) {
  for(q=0; q<s; q++) {
    C_{(p,q)} = 0.0;
    for(r=0; r<m; r++) {
        C_{(p,q)} += A_{(p,r)*B{r,q};
    }
  }
}</pre>
```

where $A_{p,r}$ are themselves matrices.

Recursive/Divide & Conquer

Let *N* be a power of 2 (not strictly necessary) and divide **A** and **B** into 4 submatrices, delimited by:

$$\mathbf{A} = \left(egin{array}{cc} A_{pp} & A_{pq} \ A_{qp} & A_{qq} \end{array}
ight).$$

Then the solution requires 8 pairs of submatrix multiplications, which can be done recursively ...

```
matmultR(A, B, s) {
 if (s==1) {
    C = A*B; /* termination condition */
 else {
   s = s/2:
   P0 = matmultR(A {pp},B {pp},s);
   P1 = matmultR(A_{pq}, B_{qp}, s);
   P2 = matmultR(A_{pp}, B_{pq}, s);
   P3 = matmultR(A_{pq}, B_{qq}, s);
   P4 = matmultR(A_{qp}, B_{pp}, s);
   P5 = matmultR(A_{qq}, B_{qp}, s);
   P6 = matmultR(A_{qp}, B_{pq}, s);
   P7 = matmultR(A \{qq\}, B \{qq\}, s);
   C_{pp} = P0 + P1;
   C_{pq} = P2 + P3;
   C \{qp\} = P4 + P5;
   C_{qq} = P6 + P7;
 return(C);
```

- Well suited for SMP with cache hierarchy
- Size of data continually reduced and localized
- Can be highly performing when making maximum reuse of data within cache memory hierarchy
- More generally we want to address cases for which matrix will not fit within memory of a single machine, message passing/distributed model is required

Cannon's Algorithm

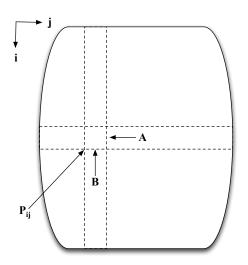
Cannon's algorithm:

- Uses a mesh of processors with a torus topology (periodic boundary conditions
- Elements are shifted to an "aligned" position: Row i of \mathbf{A} is shifted i places to the left, while row j of \mathbf{B} is shifted j spots upward. This puts $A_{i,j+i}$ and $B_{i+j,j}$ in processor $P_{i,j}$ (namely we have appropriate submatrices/elements to multiply in $P_{i,j}$)
- Usually submatrices are used, but we can use elements to simplify the notation a bit

After alignment, Cannon's algorithm proceeds as follows:

- Each process $P_{i,j}$ multiplies its elements
- Row i of A is shifted one place left, and column i of B is shifted one place up (brings together adjacent elements of A and B needed for summing results)
- Each process P_{i,i} multiplies its elements and adds to accumulating sum
- Preceding two steps repeated until results obtained (N-1) shifts)

Cannon Illustrated



Cannon's algorithm showing flow of data for process P_{ii} .

For s submatrices (m = N/s) the communication time for Cannon's algorithm is given by

$$\tau_{\text{comm}} = 4(s-1)(\tau_{\text{lat}} + m^2\tau_{\text{dat}}),$$

where τ_{lat} is the **latency** and τ_{dat} is the time required to send one value (word). The computation time in Cannon's algorithm:

$$\tau_{comp} = 2sm^3 = 2m^2N,$$

or $\mathcal{O}(m^2N)$.

Cannon's algorithm is also known as the **ScaLAPACK outer product** algorithm (can you see another numerical library coming?) ...

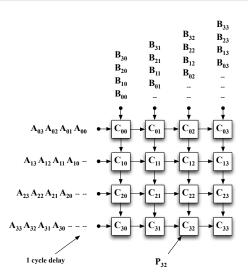
2D Pipeline

Another useful algorithm is the so-called **2D pipeline**, in which the data flows into a rectangular array of processors. Labeling the process grid using (0,0) as the top left corner, the data flows from the left and from the top, with process $P_{i,j}$:

- RECV(A from P_{i,j-1}) { A data from left }
- ② RECV(B from $P_{i-1,j}$) { B data from above }
- Accumulate C_{i,j}
- SEND(A to $P_{i,j+1}$) { A data to right }
- **5** SEND(B to $P_{i+1,j}$) { B data down }

(illustrate with sketch)

2D Pipeline Illustrated



2D pipeline (or systolic array) algorithm showing flow of data.

The techniques discussed thus far are fundamentally $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$, but there is a clever method due to Strassen¹ which is $\mathcal{O}(N^{2.81})$:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q_{1} = (A_{11} + A_{22})(B_{11} + B_{22}), \qquad C_{11} = Q_{1} + Q_{4} - Q_{5} + Q_{7}$$

$$Q_{2} = (A_{21} + A_{22})B_{11}, \qquad C_{12} = Q_{3} + Q_{5}$$

$$Q_{3} = A_{11}(B_{12} - B_{22}), \qquad C_{21} = Q_{2} + Q_{4}$$

$$Q_{4} = A_{22}(-B_{11} + B_{21}), \qquad C_{22} = Q_{1} + Q_{3} - Q_{2} + Q_{6}$$

$$Q_{5} = (A_{11} + A_{12})B_{22}, \qquad Q_{6} = (-A_{11} + A_{21})(B_{11} + B_{12}),$$

$$Q_{7} = (A_{12} - A_{22})(B_{21} + B_{22})$$

Conventional matrix multiplication takes N^3 multiplies and N^3-N^2 adds

¹V. Strassen, "Gaussian Elimination Is Not Optimal," Numerische Mathematik. **13**. 353-356 (1969).

- If N is not a power of 2 can pad with zeros
- Reiterate until submatrices reduced to numbers or optimal matrix multiply size for particular processor (Strassen switches to standard matrix multiplication for small enough submatrices)
- Eliminates 1 matrix multiply, instead of $\mathcal{O}(N^{\log_2 8})$, $\mathcal{O}(N^{\log_2 7}) = N^{2.81}$
- Conventional matrix multiplication takes N^3 multiplies and $N^3 N^2$ adds, Strassen is $7N^{\log_2 7} 6N^2$
- Requires additional storage for intermediate matrices, can be less stable numerically ...

Sequential LU/Gaussian Elimination Code

LU code fragment:

```
for (k=1;k<N;k++) {
    for (i=k+1;i<=N;i++) {
        L(i,k) = A(i,k)/A(k,k)
    }
    for (j=k+1;j<=N;j++) {
        for (i=k+1;i<=N;i++) {
            A(i,j) = A(i,j) - L(i,k)*A(k,j)
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

Note that the inner loops (over i) have no dependencies, i.e. they can more easily be executed in parallel.

Parallel LU/Gaussian Elimination

One strategy for parallelizing the Gaussian eleimination part of LU decomposition is to do so over the middle loop (*j*) in the algorithm. Decomposing the columns, and using a message passing implementation, we might have something like the following:

```
do k=1,N-1
    if('`column k is mine'') then ! column-wise decomposition
        do i=k+1,N
            L(i,k) = A(i,k)/A(k,k)
        end do
        BCAST( L(k+1:N,k), root=''owner of k'' )

else
    RECV( L(k+1:N,k) )
    end if
    do j=k+1,N ('`modulo I own column j'') ! column-wise decomposition
        do i=k+1,N
            A(i,j) = A(i,j) - L(i,k)*A(k,j)
        end do
    end do
end do
```

Parallel LU Efficiency

If we do a (not overly crude) analysis of the preceding parallel algorithm, for each column k we have:

- Broadcat N k values, let's say taking time c_b
- Compute $(N k)^2$ multiply-adds, time c_{fma}

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$$au_{k} \simeq c_{b}(\mathit{N}-\mathit{k}) + c_{\mathit{fma}} \dfrac{(\mathit{N}-\mathit{k})^{2}}{\mathit{N}_{\mathit{p}}},$$

Summing over k we find:

$$au(N_p)\simeq rac{c_b}{2}N^2+rac{c_{fma}}{3}rac{N^3}{N_p}, ag{1}$$

Parallel LU Speedup

Now, looking at the parallel speedup factor we have:

$$S(N_p) = au/ au(N_p) \ \simeq rac{c_{Ima}N^3/3}{c_bN^2/2+c_{Ima}N^3/(3N_p)} \ = \left(rac{3}{2N}rac{c_b}{c_{Ima}}+rac{1}{N_p}
ight)^{-1}.$$

- See the ratio of communication cost to computation? It never goes away
- Minimizing communication costs is again the key to improving the efficiency ...

Parallel LU Efficiency

The efficiency is given by:

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{E}(N_p) &=& \mathcal{S}(N_p)/N_p, \ &\simeq& \left(rac{3N_p}{2N}rac{c_b}{c_{fma}}+1
ight)^{-1}, \ &=& 1-rac{3N_p}{2N}rac{c_b}{c_{fma}} \end{aligned}$$

- Note that this algorithm is **scalable** (in time) by our previous definition, for a given fixed ratio of N_p/N
- Note that it is not scalable in terms of memory, since the memory requirements grow steadily as $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$

Improving Parallel LU

The most obvious way to improve the efficiency of our parallel Gaussian elimination is to overlap computation with the necessary communication. Consider the revised algorithm ...

```
! 1st processor computes L(2:N,1) and BCAST ( L(2:N,1) )
do k=1, N-1
  if(''column k is not mine'') then     ! post RECV for multipliers
      RECV( L(k+1:N,k) from BCAST( next L )
   end if
   if(''column k+1 is mine'') then
                                      ! compute next set of multipliers
                                            ! and eliminate for column k+1
      do i=k+1, N
         A(i,k+1) = A(i,k+1) - L(i,k) *A(k,k+1)
         next L(i,k+1) = A(i,k+1)/A(k+1,k+1)
      end do
      BCAST ( next L(k+2:N,k+1),root="owner of k+1")
  end if
   do j=k+2,N (''modulo I own column j'') ! perform eliminations
      do i=k+1, N
         A(i,i) = A(i,i) - L(i,k) *A(k,i)
      end do
   end do
end do
```

ScaLAPACK

Scalable **LAPACK** library (LAPACK is the general purpose Linear Algebra PACKage), contains LAPACK-style driver routines formulated for distributed memory parallel processing:

- An exceptional example of an MPI library:
 - Portable based on optimized low-level routines
 - 2 User friendly parallel versions of the common LAPACK routines have similar syntax, names just prefixed with a 'P'.
 - User of the library need never write parallel processing code it's all under the covers.
 - Efficient.
- Source code and documentation available from NETLIB:
 - http://www.netlib.org/scalapack

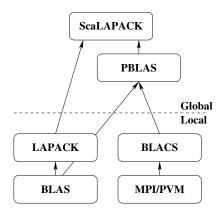
Under the ScaLAPACK Hood

Uses a **block-cyclic** decomposition of matrices, into $P_{row} \times P_{col}$ 2D representation. If we now consider a $NB \times NB$ sub-block (starting at index ib, ending at index end):

```
de ib=1,N,NB
    end=MIN(N,ib+NB-1)
    do i=ib,N
        (a) Find pivot row, k, BCAST column
        (b) Swap rows k and i in block column, BCAST row k
        (c) A(i+1:Nb,i)=A(i+1:N,i)/A(i,i)
        (d) A(i+1:N,i+1:end)=A(i+1:N,i+1:end)=A(i+1:N,i)*A(i,i+1:end)
    end do
        (e) BCAST all swap information to right and left
        (f) Apply all row swaps to other columns
        (g) BCAST row k to right
        (h) A(ib:end,end+1:N)=LL/A(ib:end,end+1:N)
        (i) BCAST A(ib:end,end+1:N) down
        (j) BCAST A(end+1:N,ib:end) right
        (k) Eliminate A(end+1:N,end+1:N)
```

this is our old friend LU decomposition, available as the ScaLAPACK PGETRF routine.

ScaLAPACK Schematic



General schematic of the ScaLAPACK library.

ScaLAPACK Efficiency

Variable	Description
$C_f N^3$ $C_v N^2 / \sqrt{N_p}$ $C_m N / NB$ τ_f τ_v	Total Number FP Operations Total Number Data Communicated Total Number of Messages Time per FP Operation Time per Data Item Communicated
$ au_{ extsf{m}}$	Time per Message

With these quantities, the Time for the ScaLAPACK drivers is given by:

$$au(N,N_p) = rac{C_f N^3}{N_p} au_f + rac{C_V N^2}{\sqrt{N_p}} au_V + rac{C_m N}{NB} au_m,$$

and the scaling:

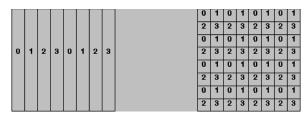
$$\mathcal{E}(N, N_p) \simeq \left(1 + \frac{1}{NB} \frac{C_m \tau_m}{C_f \tau_f} \frac{N_p}{N^2} + \frac{C_v \tau_v}{C_f \tau_f} \frac{\sqrt{N_p}}{N}\right)^{-1}.$$

Note that:

- Values of C_f , C_V , and C_m depend on driver routine (and underlying algorithm)
- Scalable for constant N^2/N_p ...
- **Small** problems, dominated by τ_m/τ_f , the ratio of latency to time per FP operation (see why latency matters?)
- Medium problems, significantly impacted by ratio of network bandwidth to FP operation rate, τ_f/τ_V
- Large problems, node Flop/s $(1/\tau_f)$ dominates

Block-Cyclic Decomposition

ScaLAPACK uses a block-cyclic decomposition:



On the left, a 4 processor column-wise decomposition, to the right the block-cyclic version using $P_r = P_q = 2$, each square is NBxNB (2x2 in this example). The advantage of block-cyclic is that it allows levels 2 and 3 BLAS operations on subvectors and submatrices within each processor.

Sample ScaLAPACK Program

"Simplest" program to solve $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ using PDGESV (LU), available at www.netlib.org/scalapack/examples/example1.f

```
PROGRAM EXAMPLE1
          Example Program solving Ax=b via ScaLAPACK routine PDGESV
           .. Parameters ..
          INTEGER
                              DLEN , IA, JA, IB, JB, M, N, MB, NB, RSRC,
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                              CSRC, MXLLDA, MXLLDB, NRHS, NBRHS, NOUT,
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                              MXLOCR, MXLOCC, MXRHSC
                              ( DLEN = 9, IA = 1, JA = 1, IB = 1, JB = 1,
          PARAMETER
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                              M = 9, N = 9, MB = 2, NB = 2, RSRC = 0,
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                              CSRC = 0, MXLLDA = 5, MXLLDB = 5, NRHS = 1,
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                              NBRHS = 1, NOUT = 6, MXLOCR = 5, MXLOCC = 4,
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                              MXRHSC = 1)
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          DOUBLE PRECISION
                              ONE
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          PARAMETER
                              (ONE = 1.0D+0)
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           .. Local Scalars ..
18
          INTEGER
                              ICTXT, INFO, MYCOL, MYROW, NPCOL, NPROW
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          DOUBLE PRECISION ANORM, BNORM, EPS, RESID, XNORM
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```
.. Local Arrays ..
INTEGER
                    DESCA ( DLEN ), DESCB ( DLEN ),
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                    IPIV ( MXLOCR+NB )
DOUBLE PRECISION
                    A ( MXLLDA, MXLOCC ), AO ( MXLLDA, MXLOCC ),
                    B ( MXLLDB, MXRHSC ), BO ( MXLLDB, MXRHSC ),
                    WORK ( MXLOCR )
 .. External Functions ..
DOUBLE PRECISION PDLAMCH, PDLANGE
EXTERNAL
                  PDLAMCH, PDLANGE
.. External Subroutines ...
EXTERNAL
                    BLACS EXIT, BLACS GRIDEXIT, BLACS GRIDINFO,
                    DESCINIT, MATINIT, PDGEMM, PDGESV, PDLACPY,
                    SL INIT
.. Intrinsic Functions ..
INTRINSIC
                    DBLE
 .. Data statements ..
DATA
                    NPROW / 2 / , NPCOL / 3 /
 .. Executable Statements ..
INITIALIZE THE PROCESS GRID
CALL SL INIT ( ICTXT, NPROW, NPCOL )
CALL BLACS GRIDINFO ( ICTXT, NPROW, NPCOL, MYROW, MYCOL )
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If I'm not in the process grid, go to the end of the program
IF ( MYROW.EQ.-1 )
   GO TO 10
DISTRIBUTE THE MATRIX ON THE PROCESS GRID
Initialize the array descriptors for the matrices A and B
CALL DESCINIT ( DESCA, M, N, MB, NB, RSRC, CSRC, ICTXT, MXLLDA,
               INFO )
CALL DESCINIT ( DESCB. N. NRHS, NB, NBRHS, RSRC, CSRC, ICTXT,
               MXLLDB, INFO )
Generate matrices A and B and distribute to the process grid
CALL MATINIT ( A, DESCA, B, DESCB )
Make a copy of A and B for checking purposes
CALL PDLACPY( 'All', N, N, A, 1, 1, DESCA, A0, 1, 1, DESCA)
CALL PDLACPY( 'All', N, NRHS, B, 1, 1, DESCB, BO, 1, 1, DESCB )
CALL THE SCALAPACK ROUTINE
Solve the linear system A \star X = B
CALL PDGESV( N, NRHS, A, IA, JA, DESCA, IPIV, B, IB, JB, DESCB,
             INFO )
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*
     IF ( MYROW.EQ.O .AND. MYCOL.EQ.O ) THEN
         WRITE ( NOUT, FMT = 9999 )
         WRITE ( NOUT, FMT = 9998 )M, N, NB
         WRITE ( NOUT, FMT = 9997 ) NPROW*NPCOL, NPROW, NPCOL
         WRITE ( NOUT, FMT = 9996 ) INFO
     END IF
     Compute residual ||A * X - B|| / (||X|| * ||A|| * eps * N)
     EPS = PDLAMCH( ICTXT, 'Epsilon')
     ANORM = PDLANGE ('I', N, N, A, 1, 1, DESCA, WORK)
     BNORM = PDLANGE( 'I', N, NRHS, B, 1, 1, DESCB, WORK )
     CALL PDGEMM('N', 'N', N, NRHS, N, ONE, A0, 1, 1, DESCA, B, 1, 1,
                   DESCB, -ONE, BO, 1, 1, DESCB )
     XNORM = PDLANGE('I', N, NRHS, B0, 1, 1, DESCB, WORK)
     RESID = XNORM / ( ANORM*BNORM*EPS*DBLE( N ) )
     IF ( MYROW.EO.O .AND. MYCOL.EO.O ) THEN
         IF ( RESID.LT.10.0D+0 ) THEN
            WRITE ( NOUT, FMT = 9995 )
            WRITE ( NOUT, FMT = 9993 ) RESID
        ELSE
            WRITE ( NOUT, FMT = 9994 )
            WRITE ( NOUT, FMT = 9993 ) RESID
         END IF
     END IF
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RELEASE THE PROCESS GRID
    Free the BLACS context
    CALL BLACS GRIDEXIT ( ICTXT )
 10 CONTINUE
    Exit the BLACS
    CALL BLACS EXIT( 0 )
9999 FORMAT ( / 'Scalapack Example Program #1 - May 1, 1997' )
9998 FORMAT( / 'Solving Ax=b where A is a ', I3, ' by ', I3,
           ' matrix with a block size of ', I3 )
9997 FORMAT ('Running on ', I3, ' processes, where the process grid',
         ' is ', I3, ' by ', I3 )
9996 FORMAT ( / 'INFO code returned by PDGESV = ', I3 )
9995 FORMAT ( /
    $ 'According to the normalized residual the solution is correct.'
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        )
9994 FORMAT ( /
    $ 'According to the normalized residual the solution is incorrect.'
9993 FORMAT( / '||A*x - b|| / (||x||*||A||*eps*N ) = ', 1P, E16.8 )
    STOP
     END
```

Compiling and running on UB/CCR (use the Intel MKL link advisor to get the linking right):

```
[rush:~/d_scalapack]$ module list
Currently Loaded Modulefiles:
  1) null
                                                                 4) intel-mpi/4.1.1
                       2) modules
                                            3) use.own
  5) intel/13.1
                       6) mkl/11.1
[rush:~/d scalapack]$ mpiifort -o example1 example1.f -L$MKLROOT/lib/intel64 -lmkl scalapack lp64
       -lmkl_intel_ip64 -lmkl_core -lmkl_sequential -lmkl_blacs_intelmpi_lp64 -lpthread -lm
[rush:~/d_scalapack]$ ldd ./example1
    linux-vdso.so.1 => (0x00007fffa39ff000)
libmkl_scalapack_lp64.so => /util/intel/composer_xe_2013/mkl/lib/intel64/libmkl_scalapack_lp64.so (0x00002b42c0c0c000)
libmkl intel lp64.so => /util/intel/composer xe 2013/mkl/lib/intel64/libmkl intel lp64.so (0x00002b42c14bb000)
libmkl core.so => /util/intel/composer xe 2013/mkl/lib/intel64/libmkl core.so (0x00002b42c1bcf000)
libmkl_sequential.so => /util/intel/composer_xe_2013/mkl/lib/intel64/libmkl_sequential.so (0x00002b42c2e34000)
libmkl blacs intelmpi lp64.so ->
/util/intel/composer_xe_2013/mkl/lib/intel64/libmkl_blacs_intelmpi_lp64.so (0x00002b42c34e3000)
libpthread.so.0 => /lib64/libpthread.so.0 (0x0000003e1ca00000)
libm.so.6 => /lib64/libm.so.6 (0x0000003e1c200000)
libmpiqf.so.4 => /util/intel/impi/4.1.1.036/intel64/lib/libmpiqf.so.4 (0x00002b42c3736000)
libmpi.so.4 -> /util/intel/impi/4.1.1.036/intel64/lib/libmpi.so.4 (0x00002b42c3966000)
libdl.so.2 => /lib64/libdl.so.2 (0x0000003e1c600000)
librt.so.1 => /lib64/librt.so.1 (0x0000003e1d200000)
libc.so.6 => /lib64/libc.so.6 (0x0000003e1be00000)
libqcc_s.so.1 => /lib64/libqcc_s.so.1 (0x0000003e1e600000)
/lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2 (0x0000003e1ba00000)
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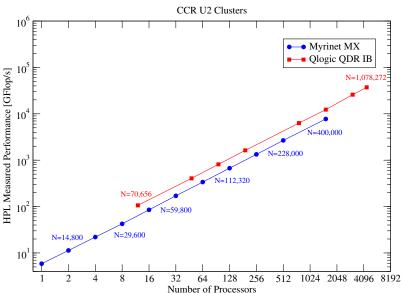
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[rush:~/d_scalapack]$ mpirun -np 6 ./example1
ScaLAPACK Example Program #1 - May 1, 1997
Solving Ax=b where A is a 9 by 9 matrix with a block size of 2
Running on 6 processes, where the process grid is 2 by 3
INFO code returned by PDGESV =
According to the normalized residual the solution is correct.
||A*x - b|| / (||x||*||A||*eps*N) = 0.00000000E+00
[rush:~/d scalapack]$ mpirun -np 2 ./example1
application called MPI Abort (MPI COMM WORLD, 1) - process 0
application called MPI Abort (MPI COMM WORLD, 1) - process 1
```

ScaLAPACK Driver Illustrated - HPL

- HPL (High Performance Linpack) benchmark still used to rank the Top500 list (www.top500.org)
- Super-sized version of previous example code, uses PDGESV to solve randomly seeded linear system, check results to ensure that results are accurate
- Following plot shows results for UB/CCR's old Myrinet nodes (1536 processors total, circa 2005) and Qlogic QDR Infiniband (4416 cores total, circa 2011) - note scalability as the problem size is increased (essentially to maintain a fixed amount of memory used per node)

Linpack (HPL) Benchmark



Jacobi Iteration

Our method for "improving" on solutions to systems of linear equations can be formalized into a solution technique in its own right (Jacobi did it first):

$$x_i^{(k)} = \frac{1}{A_{i,i}} \left(b_i - \sum_{j \neq i} A_{i,j} x_j^{(k-1)} \right),$$

- Particularly useful in solution of (O|P)DEs using finite differences
- Advantage of small memory requirements (especially for sparse systems)
- Disadvantage of convergence problems (slowly, or not)
- Initial guess often take $\mathbf{x}^0 = \mathbf{b}$

Measuring convergence for Jacobi Iteration can be tricky, particularly in parallel. At first glance, you might be tempted by:

$$\left|x_{i}^{(k+1)}-x_{i}^{k}\right|<\epsilon, \qquad \forall i,$$

but that says little about solution accuracy.

$$\left| \sum_{j} A_{i,j} x_j^k - b_i \right| < \epsilon$$

is a better form, and can reuse values already computed in the previous iteration.

Sequential

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do i=1,N
   x(i)=b(i)
end do
do iter=1,MAXITER
   do i=1, N
      sum = 0.0
      do j=1,N
         if (i \neq j) sum = sum + A(i, j) *x(j)
      end do
      new x(i) = (b(i)-sum)/A(i,i)
   end do
   do i=1, N
      x(i) = new x(i)
   end do
end do
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Block Parallel

Have each process accountable for solving a particular **block** of unknowns, and simply use an **Allgather** or **Allgatherv** (for an unequal distribution of work on the processes). The resulting computation time is

$$au_{
m comp} = rac{N}{N_{
m p}} (2N+4) N_{
m iter}$$

with a time for communication

$$\tau_{\text{comm}} = (N_p \tau_{lat} + N \tau_{dat}) N_{\text{iter}},$$

and the speedup factor:

$$S(N_p) = \frac{N(2N+4)}{N(2N+4)/N_p + N_p \tau_{lat} + N \tau_{dat}} = = \frac{N_p}{1 + \tau_{comm}/\tau_{comp}}.$$

Note that this is scalable, but only if the ratio N/N_D is maintained with increasing N_p .

Gauss-Seidel Relaxation

Technique for convergence acceleration, usually converged faster than Jacobi,

$$x_i^{(k)} = \frac{1}{A_{i,i}} \left(b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} A_{i,j} x_j^{(k)} - \sum_{j=i+1}^{N} A_{i,j} x_j^{(k-1)} \right),$$

making use of just-updated solution. More difficult to parallelize, but can be done through particular patterning (say using a **checkerboard** allocation) in which regions can be computed simultaneously.

Overrelaxation

Another improved convergence technique in which factor $(1 - \omega)x_i$ is added:

$$x_i^{(k)} = \frac{\omega}{A_{i,i}} \left(b_i - \sum_{j \neq i} A_{i,j} x_j^{(k-1)} \right) + (1 - \omega) x_i^{(k-1)},$$

where $0 < \omega < 1$. For the Gauss-Seidel method, this is slightly modified:

$$x_i^{(k)} = \frac{\omega}{A_{i,i}} \left(b_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} A_{i,j} x_j^{(k)} - \sum_{j=i+1}^{N} A_{i,j} x_j^{(k-1)} \right) + (1-\omega) x_i^{k-1},$$

with $0 < \omega < 2$.

Multigrid Method

Makes use of successively finer grids to improve solution:

- Coarse starting grid quickly take distant effects into account
- Initial values of finer grids available through interpolation from existing grid values
- Of course, we can even have regions of variable grid densities using so-called adaptive grid methods