Benchmark: "Sparse Matrix Count"

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Description & Notes

- The benchmark counts the number of zeros in a matrix by iterating through each element.
- calculating the address dynamically for each element.
- The zero counter is incremented whenever a zero is encountered in the matrix.
- Time Complexity O(N^2).

Algorithm (Pseudo or C)

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Initialize zero_counter = 0

For each row_index from 0 to num_rows - 1:

row_base_address = matrix_base_address + (row_index * num_cols * 4)

For each col_index from 0 to num_cols - 1:

element = MEM [row_base_address + (col_index * 4)]

If element == 0:

zero_counter += 1

Return zero_counter
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Registers and memory used in implementation

\$8: zeros counter
\$16: number of Rows
\$17: number of Cols
\$20: Base address of the matrix
\$9: rowIndex
\$10: colIndex
\$11: tmp reg for SLT output
\$13: loop counter for multiplication
\$14: product accumulator (rowIndex * Cols)
\$15: address of matrix[rowIndex][colIndex]
\$24: matrix[rowIndex][colIndex]

Code (.data and .text)

```
.data
matrix: .word 1, 0, 0, 0, 3, 5, 0, 0, 0, 0, 22, 0 # 4x3 matrix (row-major order)
.text
    # Initializations
    ADDI $8 , $0, 0
                           # Zero counter
    ADDI $16, $0, 4
                           # Rows
                          # Columns
    ADDI $17, $0, 3
    ADDI $20, $0, 0
                          # Base address of the matrix
                           # rowIndex
    ADDI $9 , $0, 0
outerLoop:
    SLT $11, $9, $16
                             # Check if rowIndex < Rows
    BEQ $11, $0, exitOuter
    # Precompute row base offset: rowIndex * Cols
    ADDI $14, $0, 0
                            # Reset base offset accumulator
    ADDI $15, $0, 0
                            # Initialize loop counter
Multiply:
    # Multiply rowIndex * Cols by repeated addition
    SLT $11, $15, $9
    BEQ $11, $0, endMultiply
    ADD $14, $14, $17 # Accumulate: base offset += Cols
    ADDI $15, $15, 1
                            # Increment loop counter
    JAL Multiply
endMultiply:
    # Choose one of these Insertion based on your memory
    # For Word addressable
                                  # For byte addressable
    # ADD $14, $14, $0
                                    SLL $14. $14. 2
    ADD $14, $14, $20
                           # Base address for current row
                           # collndex
    ADDI $10, $0, 0
innerLoop:
    SLT $11, $10, $17
                             # Check if collndex < Cols
    BEQ $11, $0, exitInner
    # Choose one of these Insertion based on your memory
                                  # For byte addressable
    # For Word addressable
    # ADD $15, $10, $0
                                  SLL $15, $10, 2
                             # Base row address + column offset
    ADD $24, $14, $15
                                # Load element: matrix[rowIndex][colIndex]
    LW $24, matrix($24)
    BNE $24, $0, notZero
                              # Check if element != 0
    ADDI $8, $8, 1
                           # Increment zero counter if element == 0
notZero:
    ADDI $10, $10, 1
                            # Increment collndex
    JAL innerLoop
exitInner:
                           # Increment rowIndex
    ADDI $9, $9, 1
    JAL outerLoop
exitOuter:
    NOP
```

Expected Output

\$8 = 0x0008 # number of zero elements in the matrix