MCSC 6030G : High Performance Computing
Assignment 4: Random Matrices with MPI

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1 Introduction

This study is aimed at implementing the master-slave MPI model for computing maximum Eigenvalues of random matrices and finding the distribution of the Eigenvalues for a large number of matrices.

For a symmetric matrix $A[n \times n]$, with elements normally distributed according to eqn 1, the Eigenvalues for any solution toare defined as the solution to the Eigenvalue problem $\mathbf{Av} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$, where the vector $\mathbf{v}$ is called as the Eigenvector.

$$A_{ii} \sim N(0,2)(1 \leq i \leq n) \qquad A_{ij} \sim N(0,1)(1 \leq i \leq j \leq n) \qquad A^t = A \tag{1}$$

For a random matrix A, the maximum the Eigenvalues, λ_{max} should be a random number and the distribution of such maximum Eigenvalues can be determined.

2 Methodology

2.1 Objective

In the present assignment, the aforementioned distribution of maximum Eigenvalues has been computed for large matrices using master-slave MPI model and the speed-up and efficiency of parallelization has been examined.

2.2 Machine Configuration

The initial computations for the present study were performed on the local machine with the following specifications:

2.2.1 Local Machine

Manufacturer: Asus
Processor: Intel Core i7 -7700HQ (4 physical cores, 4 hyperthreads)
RAM: 16 GB
Operating System: Ubuntu 18.04

2.3 Implementation

The master-slave model was implemented for the present study with the master tasked with keeping a track of the numbver of computations performed, receiving and collecting the outputs computed by each slave, and issuing instructions for the ideal slaves. Each of the slaves is tasked with generating a random matrix, computing the maximum Eigenvalue and sending the results back to the master. The pseudo code explaining the adopted methodology is as follows:

Algorithm 1: MAIN PROGRAM

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Size of matrices (n)
Number of maximum eigenvalues to be collect (λ_max) (Ni)
Set flag = 1, which means that slaves can continue working
Set jobcount = 0, which means that master did not receive any λ_max so far
Start implementation Master vs Slave method

if PROC = SLAVE then
    Call MKL (Math Kernel Library) to Generate matrix randomly following normal
     distribution N(0, 1)
    Make A symmetric and multiply its diagonal by 2 (2 * A(n, n)), adjusting matrix to
     problem proposed
    Calculate vector W of eigenvalues (Using Lapack or Power Method)
    Define λ_max = max(λ_i) of vector W
    Call mpi and SEND λ_max to Master
    Call mpi and RECEIVE flag to verify if is there any job left
end if
if PROC = MASTER then
    Define and allocate G as a vector to store all λ_max to be received from slaves
    Set ith = 1, which is the position at vector G that λ_max to be receive will be allocated
    while ith < Ni do
        Call MPI and RECEIVE λ_max from slaves (proc_i)
        Increment jobcount = jobcount + 1
        if jobcount ≤ (Ni − Numproc + 1) then
            flag = 1
            Call MPI and SEND flag to (proc) that hand in the λ_max at that point
            else
                flag = 0
                Call MPI and SEND flag to (proc) that hand in the λ_max at that point
        Increment ith = ith + 1
        end if
        end do
end if
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For the implementation of the above code, the random numbers were seeded using the Marsenne Twister pseudorandom number generator included in the Intel Math Kernel Library (MKL). For computing the maximum eigenvalues, both the shifted power iterations and the LAPACK subroutine *dsyev* were implemented. The LAPACK subroutine is a $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ while the power iteartion is a $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ method. While this means the power method is normally much quicker, there can be issues related to convergence especially if the Eigenvalues are very close. Furthermore, the compute time in the power iteration would also depend on the initial approximation of the Eigenvector.

2.4 Computational Experiments

The following studies were performed as part of this experiment:

1. Analyze the random distribution of the maximum Eigenvalues for different matrix sizes and different desired number of Eigenvalues.
2. Compare wallclock times for LAPACK subroutines and shifted power method.
3. Compare wallclock times for different number of processors.

3 Results and Discussion

The obtained frequency distribution for a matrix of size 1000×1000 for 1000 matrices has been shown below in figure 1

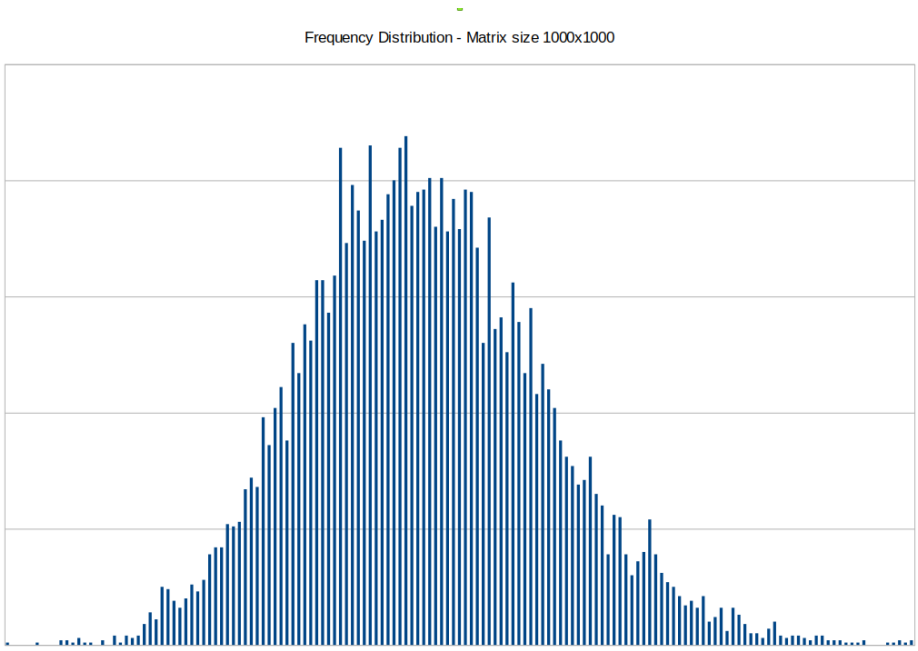

Figure 1: Distribution of maximum Eigenvalues for a matrix of size 1000×1000 for 1000 matrices.

The obtained random distributions of maximum Eigenvalues for different matrix sizes n and different numbers of desired Eigenvalues N using both BLAS and shifted power iterations for different matrix sizes are presented in figures 2 & 3.

In order to identify which distribution could fit in the outputs obtained, a distribution analysis was performed usin IBM-SPSS (Statistical Package Software) and a Komolgorov-Smirnov test was applied to the 10 Eigenvectors. Komolgovorv-Smirnov (KS) is a nonparametric test of the equality of continuous, one-dimensional probability distributions that can be used to compare a sample with a reference probability distribution (one-sample KS test), or to compare two samples (two-sample KS test). The Kolmogorov-Smirnov tests tell us that whether or not a dataset follows a specified distribution by comparing the significance of the data with a given predetermined significance level, which in the present case was taken as 0.05. These results are presented in figure 4 The results show that the Eigenvalues generally show a log-normal distribution with an increase in the average values as the matrix size was increased.

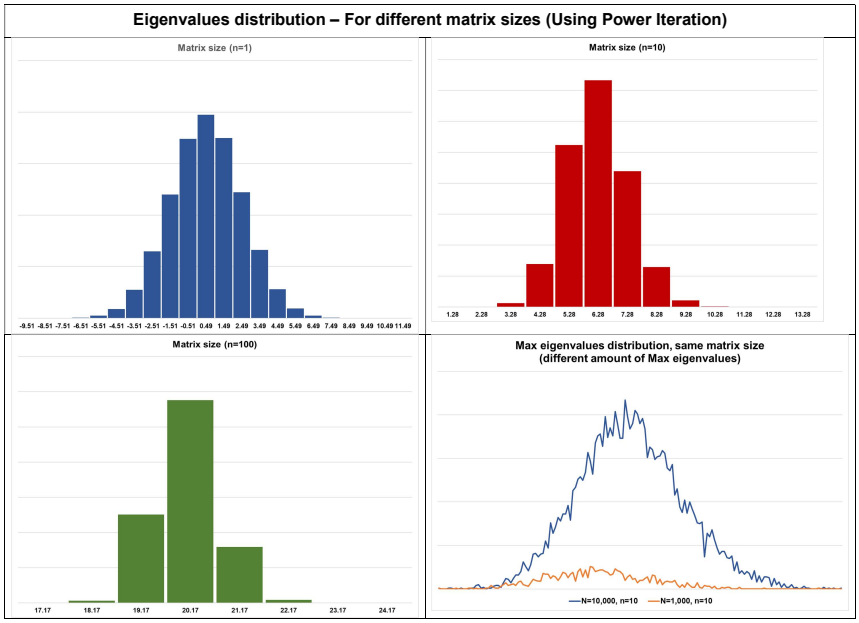

Figure 2: Distribution of maximum Eigenvalues for computations using shifted power iterations.

The Eigenvalues were computed for different matrix sizes n and different numbers of desired Eigenvalues N using both BLAS and shifted power iterations and the obtained wallclock times were compared. The results are presented below in figure 5.

In the available literature, Almeida et al. [1] have shown that wallclock times are inversely proportional to the number of processors and Elenin et al. [2], have shown that wallclock times as small as those of the order of 0.65s can be obtained. The data shows, as expected, a decrease in wall-clock times as the number of processors is increased from one to three. However, since a further increase means that no physical cores are available and hyperthreads are used, we do not observe any further decrease in wallclock times for an increase in total number of processors beyond 4. Furthermore, the wallclock times of the power iterations were observed to be smaller than the wallclock times using LAPACK.

4 Conclusion

In conclusion, the computational experiments verify the expected outcomes of the study. MPI implementation of the master-slave model resulted in a reduced wallclock times as the number of slaves was increased. The power iteration was quicker than the LAPACK subroutine and the Eigenvalues showed a log-normal distribution with an increase in the average value as the size of the matrix was increased.

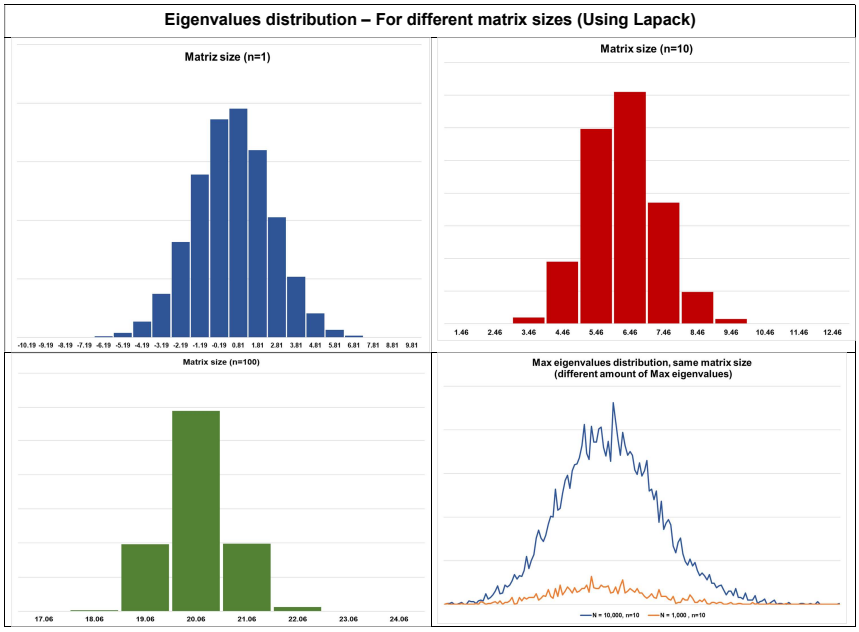

Figure 3: Distribution of maximum Eigenvalues for computations using LAPACK.

References

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Komolgorov-Smirnov test for Normal / Log-Normal distribution evaluation (Significance level of 0.05)

Method	Amount of Eigenvalues calculated (N)	Size of Matrix	Kolmogorov-Smirnov Statistic Test (for Normal distribution)	P-value (for Normal distribution)	Is it Normal?	Kolmogorov-Smirnov Statistic Test (for Log-Normal distribution)	P-value (for Log-Normal distribution)	Is it Log-Normal?
Lapack	1,000,000	n=1	0.000	0.150	No	0.000	0.500	No
		n=10	0.014	0.010	Yes	0.001	0.011	Yes
		n=100	0.017	0.010	Yes	0.001	0.034	Yes
	10,000	n=10	0.015	0.010	Yes	0.006	0.250	No
	1,000	n=10	0.023	0.150	No	0.013	0.500	No
Power Method	1,000,000	n=1	0.001	0.150	No	0.001	0.250	No
		n=10	0.014	0.010	Yes	0.001	0.001	Yes
		n=100	0.017	0.010	Yes	0.001	0.016	Yes
	10,000	n=10	0.020	0.010	Yes	0.008	0.077	No
	1,000	n=10	0.028	0.064	No	0.018	0.500	No

Figure 4: Analysis of the obtained maximum Eigenvalue distributions.

Experiment Wall time, Speed-up and Efficiency

Method	Matrix size (n)	Wall time 2 Procs	Wall time 4 Procs	Speed-up 4 Procs	Efficiency 4 Procs	Wall time 8 Procs	Speed-up 8 Procs	Efficiency 8 Procs
Lapack	1	77.88	57.66	1.35	0.45	56.69	1.37	0.20
	10	95.21	57.56	1.65	0.55	60.57	1.57	0.22
	100	532.46	178.26	2.99	1.00	120.61	4.41	0.63
Power Method	1	68.25	55.82	1.22	0.41	56.21	1.21	0.17
	10	83.20	55.11	1.51	0.50	56.25	1.48	0.21
	100	535.15	180.33	2.97	0.99	139.57	3.83	0.55

Figure 5: Wallclock times and performance parameters for different tests.