Parallel Multipole Methods

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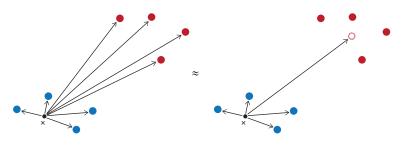
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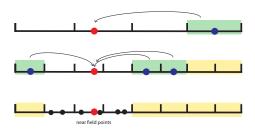
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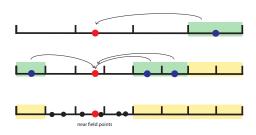
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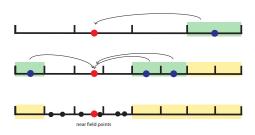
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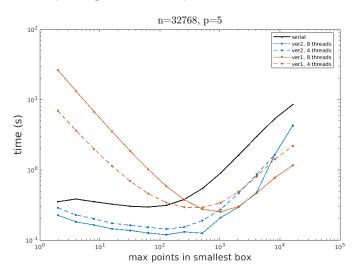
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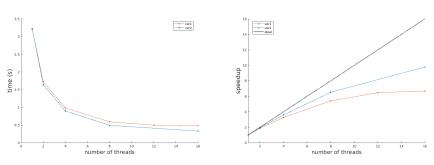


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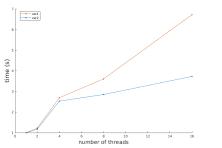


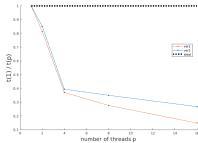
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Supplemental Slides

Approximating far-field

• Use Taylor series expansion of $\phi(x-x_j)$ for small $\delta = \frac{x_j - x^*}{x^* - x}$:

$$\phi(x_{j} - x) = \phi((x^{*} - x)(1 + \delta)) = \phi(x^{*} - x)\phi(1 + \delta)$$

$$\approx \phi(x^{*} - x) \left[\sum_{m=0}^{p} \frac{\phi^{(m)}(1)}{m!} \delta^{m} + O(\delta^{p+1}) \right]$$

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{p} a_{m}(x_{j} - x^{*}) S_{m}(x^{*} - x) + O(\delta^{p+1})$$

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• Accuracy depends on choice of x^* and thus size of $\delta = \frac{x_j - x^*}{x^* - x}$

Tree Algorithm by Barnes and Hut, complexity $O(N \log N)$

• For N particles, partition [0,1] uniformly at $O(\log N)$ levels:



- Let $T_{\ell,k}$ be the cell at level ℓ with index $k=1:2^\ell$ with center $x_{\ell,k}^*$.
- Compute weight at each cell, total cost $O(N \log N)$

$$w_{\ell,k,m} = \sum_{x_j \in T_{\ell,k}} q_j a_m(x_j - x_{\ell,k}^*)$$

• For a point x: far-field components added at increasingly coarse levels

$$u(x) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{O(\log N)} \sum_{m=0}^{p} w_{\ell,k(\ell),m} S_m \left(x_{\ell,k(\ell)}^* - x \right)$$