

Implementation of image processing techniques using openmp and mpi

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Abstract—Digital Image processing is very useful in many applications such as remote sensing, medical, vision applications etc. There are a large number of techniques in Digital image processing. These techniques involve a lot of computations and hence require a large amount of time to complete if done sequentially. The time required can be reduced by parallelising it. In this project we implement some of the image processing techniques using openmp.

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I. INTRODUCTION

With advancement in image capturing machines and other technology, image size has increased from past size. For big size data, processing time is longer. Image processing includes image recognition, image detection, face detection, etc. Especially in image detection time consumption is high. For image detection, various techniques are used like SVM, HOG, BRIEF, etc. It can be reduced with help of parallelization. In general terms, the parallelism means computation done by two or more computing units simultaneously. With the help of this library the processing time of image processing tasks can be reduced drastically.

II. SIMILAR WORK

There are many research papers about OpenMP and different techniques of image processing. Object detection and recognition, image classification, image feature extraction are works, which are done in an image processing. For these things, lots of time is required. Hence, we can use OpenMP which can be useful for reducing time consumption. With multicore and many core processors, OpenMP gives notable performance.

Image convolution is widely used for sharpening, blurring, and edge detection. In [2], they reviewed two common algorithms for convolving a 2D image by a separable kernel (filter). After optimizing the sequential codes using loop unrolling and SIMD vectorization, they chose the algorithm with better performance as the baseline for parallelization. They then compare the parallel performance of the optimized code using OpenMP, OpenCL, and GPRM implementations on the Intel Xeon Phi. In[3], a comparative analysis of the execution speed of a multi-core platform which is involved in the parallel execution of Discrete

Fourier Transform (DFT) and Inverse Discrete Fourier Transform (IDFT) programs over sequential ones is done

II. METHODOLOGY

Image processing means performing some operations on input data such as image (including photograph or video frame) for getting information and clear image as output. Usually in Image Processing system, when applying already set signal processing methods to images, they are deemed as 2D signals

In this project we aim to improve computation time of the following techniques using openmp parallelisation techniques.

A. 2D Convolution

1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0

4	3	4

Image

Convolved Feature

Figure 1:- Convolution

2D convolution is the main machinery behind most forms of image processing. From computer vision to feature detection, from processing MRI scans to making a selfie look like pencil sketches, 2D convolution is the main computation that is involved in a large portion of image processing algorithms. So it is greatly desired to have a very fast implementation of this computationally intensive operation, since image processing relies heavily upon it. Essentially, 2D convolution is taking a small matrix, called the kernel, and sweeping it across an

image, which is a 2D matrix of values that correspond to what is in each pixel.

```

for(y = kCenterX; y < rows-kCenterX; y++)
for( x = 0; x <= cols-1; x++)
for( k=0;k<krows;k++)
for( j=0;j<kcold;j++){

    q = y-kCenterX ;
    p = x-kCenterY ;
    if(q+k>=0 && q+k<rows && p+j>=0 && p+j<cols){
        dst[y-kCenterX] [x] +=src[q+k] [p+j]*h[k] [j];
    }
}

```

Sequential convolution pseudo code

B. Brightness

Brightness refers to the overall lightness or darkness of the image. A color screen uses three color schemes i.e., RGB scheme (red, green and blue). The brightness of the screen depends upon the sum of the amplitude of red, green and blue pixels, and it is divided by 3.

$$I = \frac{1}{3}(R + G + B)$$

where I is the brightness of the pixel and R,G,B are respective red, green and blue values of the respective pixel.

To increase the brightness we need to increase the intensity of each pixel by a constant and similarly to darken the image we need to decrease the intensity of every pixel of the image. Truncation is used to keep the value in the valid range i.e. 0 to 255. If the value goes below 0 it will get truncated to zero and if the value goes above 255 it will get truncated to 255. When the brightness is decreased, the color appears dull, and when brightness increases, the color is clearer.

C. Contrast

The term contrast refers to the amount of color or grayscale differentiation that exists between various image features in digital images. In simple terms, it can be explained as the difference between maximum and minimum pixel intensity in an image. Images having a higher contrast level generally display a greater degree of color or grayscale variation than those of lower contrast.

Truncation is used to keep the value in the valid range i.e. 0 to +255. The procedure for it is same as that as in Section B of methodology. The value of contrast will be in the range of -255 to +255. Negative values will decrease the amount of contrast and, conversely, positive values will increase the amount of contrast.

D. Image Rotation

Image rotation is a common image processing routine with applications in matching, alignment, and other image-based algorithms. The input to an image rotation routine is an image, the rotation angle θ , and a point about which rotation is done.

The coordinates of a point (x_1, y_1) when rotated by an angle θ around (x_0, y_0) become (x_2, y_2) , as shown by the following equation:

$$x_2 = \cos(\theta) * (x_1 - x_0) + \sin(\theta) * (y_1 - y_0)$$

$$y_2 = -\sin(\theta) * (x_1 - x_0) + \cos(\theta) * (y_1 - y_0)$$

We can see that the calculations of the new (x, y) coordinate of each pixel in the input can be done independently. Hence it can be implemented in a parallel manner.

E. Color Spaces Conversion

Color space conversion is the translation of the representation of a color from one basis to another. This typically occurs in the context of converting an image that is represented in one color space to another color space, the goal being to make the translated image look as similar as possible to the original.

F. Blur

An image contains a lot of features like edge, contrast etc. In image processing features have to be extracted from the image for further study of image. Blurring is one of the image processing techniques which makes the image smooth. A filter used for blurring is also called a low pass filter, because it allows low frequency to enter and stop high frequency. Here frequency means the change of pixel value. Around the edge, pixel value changes rapidly as the blurred image is smooth so high frequency should be filtered out. For blur purposes, a filter with every call having value 1 is used because to blur an image a pixel value should be close to the neighbor value. The filter is divided by the size of the filter for normalization.

```

int m,n,ii=0,jj=0;
for(i=0; i < rows; ++i)
{
    for(j=0; j < cols; ++j)
    {
        int l = min(i+kRows,rows),k=min(j+kCols,cols);
        double sum=0;
        #pragma omp parallel num_threads(no_threads) shared(sum)
        {
            #pragma omp for private(m,n) collapse(2) reduction(:sum)
            for(m=i; m < l;m++)
            {
                for(n=j; n < k;n++)
                {
                    sum+=img1.arr[m][n]*f.arr[m-i][n-j];
                }
            }
            if(i<=rows-kRows and j<=cols-kCols){
                out.arr[ii][jj]+=sum;
                jj++;
            }
        }
        if(i<=rows-kRows)ii++;
        jj=0;
    }
}

```

Carrying out Blurring using a gaussian filter

G. Edge Detection

An edge can be defined as a set of connected pixels that forms a boundary between two disjoint regions. Edge Detection is a method of segmenting an image into regions of discontinuity. It is a widely used technique in digital image processing for applications like pattern recognition, image morphology and feature extraction.

Edge detection allows users to observe the features of an image for a significant change in the gray level. This texture indicates the end of one region in the image and the beginning of another. It reduces the amount of data in an image and preserves the structural properties of an image.

IV. RESULTS

A. Convolution

The 2D convolution function written was tested with Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-8265U CPU @ 1.60GHz with 4 cores and 8 threads. The input of the function is a 2D matrix of size n*n. The function is tested with 3*3 filter.

```
fidi@fidiigadu:~/ -> ./out1
time = 0.000056 secs
   34    70    109   148    187    226    265    304    343    382
   70    133    199   265   331    397   463    529    595    280
  109    199    292   385   478   571    664    757    850    397
  148   265   385   505   625   745   865    985   1105    514
  187   331   478   625   772   919   1066   1213   1360   631
  226   397   571   745   919   1093   1267   1441   1615   748
  265   463   664   865   1066   1267   1468   1669   1870   865
  304   529   757   985   1213   1441   1669   1897   2125   982
  343   595   850   1105   1360   1615   1870   2125   2380   1099
  382   280   397   514   631   748   865   982   1099   475
```

Convolution output of 10*10 image with 3*3 filter

Performance of different models of the 2D convolution is shown in the below table. All models are tested with the same input array and same filter. number of threads used for openmp model is 8. number of processes used for mpi model is 4.

size-> type						1000	1500
	100	500	1000	2500	5000	0	0
sequential	0.003 0.044	0.032 586	0.077 949	0.394 676	1.572 499	6.297 465	14.15 1098
openmp	0.015 190	0.018 623	0.028 652	0.144 873	0.564 325	2.278 071	5.120 126
hybrid(openmp +mpi)	0.095 0.034	0.105 973	0.112 780	0.368 725	1.253 264	5.484 540	12.25 6402

Table: Performance of different models

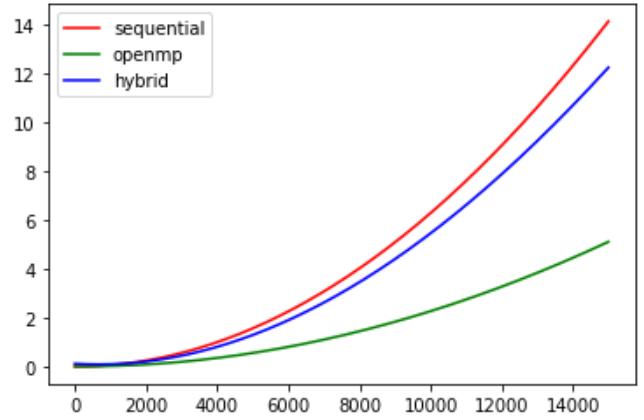


Fig: Graph of the Performance of different models

B. EDGE DETECTION

Edge detection is achieved by using filter of users choice like sobel, laplacian etc. Performance of this is similar to that of 2D convolution. In for performance evaluation vertical edge detection filter was used.

```
fidi@fidiigadu:~/ -> ./out1
time = 0.000066 secs
   0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
  -1     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
  -4     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
  -7     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 -10     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 -13     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 -16     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 -19     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 -22     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 -25     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
fidi@fidiigadu:~/ ->
```

Fig: Edge detection output

C. Blur

Blurring is performed by convoluting the image with a gaussian filter of preferred size and is tested on Intel® Core™ i5-8250U CPU @ 1.60GHz × 8 with 4 threads and the output obtained is as follows.



Fig. Original image



Fig. Blurred image using a gaussian filter of size 5*5

D. Rotation

The image is rotated here by the specified angle and is tested on similar conditions and the output obtained is as follows



Fig: Rotation of image by 90 degree

E. Color Space conversion

The image is converted from one color space to another like RGB to YUV and YUV to RGB and RGB to grayscale and the output obtained is as follows



Fig:- RGB input image

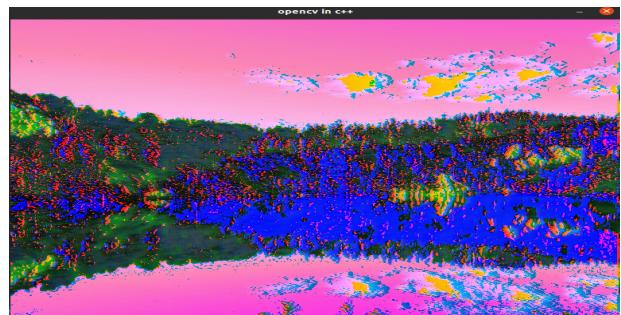


Fig:- YUV output image



Fig:- Obtained RGB image from YUV



Fig: Obtained Grayscale image from RGB image

F. BRIGHTNESS

The brightness of the image is increased and decreased to the original respectively. The results are obtained as follows.



Fig :- Decreased brightness image



Fig :- Increased brightness image

G. CONTRAST

The contrast of the image is increased and decreased to the original respectively. The results are obtained as follows.



Fig :- Decreased contrast image



Fig :- Increased contrast image

OPERATION	768*768 IMAGE		1024*1024 IMAGE		1600*1200 IMAGE	
	SERIAL	PARALLEL	SERIAL	PARALLEL	SERIAL	PARALLEL
BLUR	5.160635	4.029612	9.133219	6.828968	16.205204	11.952847
ROTATION	0.008867	0.005662	0.010195	0.010246	0.031327	0.008120
RGB TO YUV PRINTING	0.145396	0.111477	0.222832	0.166366	0.446859	0.252506
RGB TO YUV CONVERSION	0.048883	0.021465	0.094435	0.036669	0.165735	0.061237
YUV TO RGB PRINTING	0.048480	0.023778	0.102521	0.036589	0.172769	0.057151
YUV TO RGB CONVERSION	0.108498	0.108250	0.150995	0.128366	0.284436	0.229247
RGB TO GRAY PRINTING	0.054774	0.020515	0.097154	0.037021	0.179198	0.071449
RGB TO GRAY CONVERSION	0.041848	0.040938	0.050278	0.053958	0.095885	0.101942
CONTRAST	0.014434	0.007550	0.030654	0.014213	0.045866	0.013239
BRIGHTNESS	0.019539	0.004992	0.026743	0.012673	0.090506	0.011592

Table:- Time in milliseconds to perform each operation serial and parallel fashion taken for different sizes of images

V. CONTRIBUTIONS

Surya Prakash:-
Convolution, Edge detection

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Blur, Image Rotation, Color spaces conversion

Phanindra:-
Brightness, Contrast

VII. FURTHER IMPLEMENTATIONS

These algorithms can be further improved using Cuda programming. The hybrid model is tested using only 4 processes due to resource constraints. The hybrid model at lower sizes gives a promising performance. The hybrid model achieves only single dimensional parallelism with mpi I.e entire rows are shared among the processes. This can be improved to divide both rows and columns among the processes.

VIII. CONCLUSION

Important image processing techniques like 2D convolution, edge detection, changing color spaces, brightness contrast changing etc are implemented using parallel computing techniques. Convolution 2D is implemented using sequential openmp and hybrid(openmp+mpi) models. All the models tested with Intel i5 8th gen cpu. Parallel processing models showed reduction of almost 50% of the processing time compared to sequential models.

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