Communication Lower Bounds for Parallel Matrix and Tensor Computations

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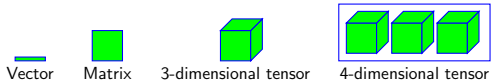
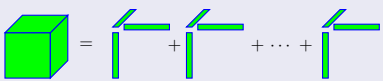
Tensors and their uses

- **Neuroscience**: Neuron $\times$ Time $\times$ Trial
- **Media**: User x Movie x Time
- **Ecommerce**: User x Product x Time
- **Social-Network**: Person x Person x Time x Type

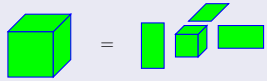


- High dimensional tensors: Neural network, Molecular simulation, Quantum computing
- People work with low dimensional structure (decomposition) of the tensors

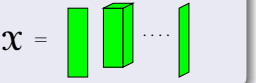
Canonical decomposition



Tucker decomposition

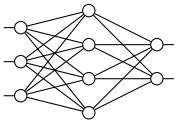


Tensor-train decomposition



High dimensional tensors: tensorized neural networks

- **Neural Network**



- **Tensor representation of a neural network**

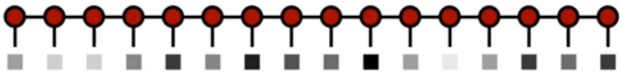


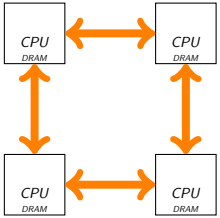
Image source: Perspective on Tensor Networks for Machine Learning - E.M. Stoudenmire

Importance of communication in high performance computing

- Gaps between computation and communication costs growing exponentially

	Annual improvements
Time-per-operation	59 %
Network-bandwidth	26 %
Network-latency	15 %

Source: Getting up to speed: The future of supercomputing (observed from 2004)



- **Research goal**: Scalable and communication optimal tools for matrix and tensor computations

Communication Lower Bounds for Parallel Matrix and Tensor Computations

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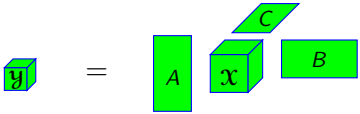
Higher-order SVD (HOSVD) to compute Tucker decomposition



Algorithm 1 3-dimensional HOSVD Algorithm($\mathcal{X}$)

1: Obtain factor matrices A, B and C from the matrix representations of the input tensor $\mathcal{X}$
2: $\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_1 A^{\mathsf{T}} \times_2 B^{\mathsf{T}} \times_3 C^{\mathsf{T}}$
3: Return $\mathcal{Y}$, A, B, C

- $\mathcal{X}$, $\mathcal{Y}$: 3-dimensional input and output tensors (or arrays) & A, B, C: matrices
- $\times_i$: tensor contraction along the ith dimension (similar to matrix multiplication)
- Multiple Tensor-Times-Matrix (Multi-TTM) computation: $\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_1 A^{\mathsf{T}} \times_2 B^{\mathsf{T}} \times_3 C^{\mathsf{T}}$

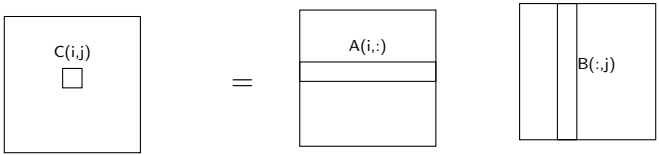
Communication lower bounds and communication optimal algorithms

1. For Matrix Matrix Multiplication
2. For Multi-TTM Computation

Traditional matrix multiplication

- $C = AB$, where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times n_3}$, and $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_3}$.
- $C_{ij} = \sum_\ell A_{i\ell} \cdot B_{\ell j}$

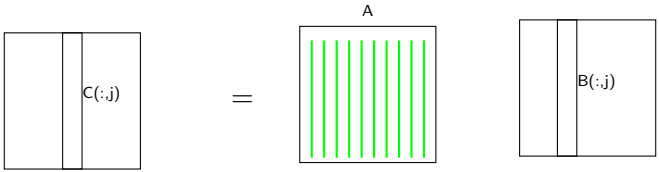
For simplicity, we assume $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = n$.



- Not focus on fast matrix multiplications such as Strassen's algorithm today

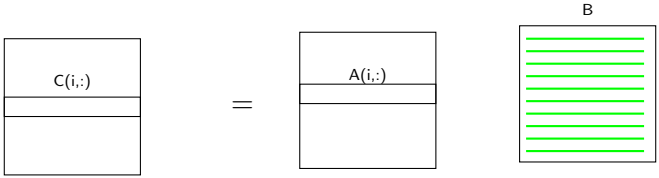
Matrix multiplication: linear combination of columns

- A column of C is obtained by linear combination of columns of A.



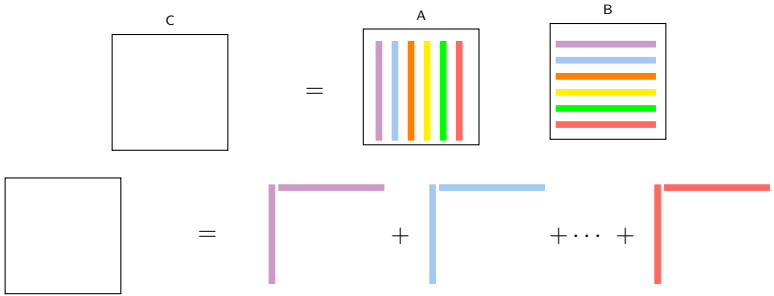
Matrix multiplication: linear combination of rows

- A row of C is obtained by linear combination of rows of B.



Matrix multiplication: sum of n matrices

- Matrix multiplication can also be viewed as sum of n matrices.



Matrix multiplication: recursive calls on submatrices

- Matrix is divided into 2×2 blocks

$$\begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_{11} &= A_{11}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{21} \\ C_{12} &= A_{11}B_{12} + A_{12}B_{22} \\ C_{21} &= A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21} \\ C_{22} &= A_{21}B_{12} + A_{22}B_{22} \end{aligned}$$

Matrix multiplication: recursive calls on submatrices

Operation count recurrence,

$$T(n) = 8T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \mathcal{O}(n^2)$$
$$T(n) = 1$$

Here $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ refers that $\exists c \in \mathbb{N}$ such that this term is less than or equal to cn^2 for every n.

After solving, we obtain $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^3)$.

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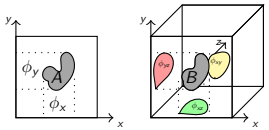
Settings

- P number of processors
- Each processor performs (asymptotically) equal amount of operations
- One copy of data is in the system
  - $1/P$th amount of inputs (before the computation) and output (after the computation) on each processor
- Focus on bandwidth cost (volume of data transfers)

Approach to obtain communication lower bounds

- Loomis-Whitney inequalitiy: for $d-1$ dimensional projections
  - For the 2d object A, $\phi_x \phi_y \geq Area(A)$
  - For the 3d object B, $(\phi_{xy}\phi_{yz}\phi_{xz})^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq Volume(B)$



- Hölder-Brascamp-Lieb (HBL) inequality – generalization for arbitrary dimensional projections
  - Provide exponent for each projection

Constraints for parallel load balanced matrix matrix multiplication

- $C = AB$ with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times n_3}$, and $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_3}$

$$\text{for } i = 1{:}n_1, \text{ for } k = 1{:}n_2, \text{ for } j = 1{:}n_3$$
$$C[i][j] += A[i][k] * B[k][j]$$

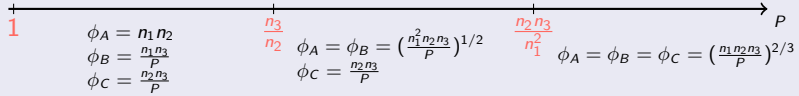
- ϕ_A, ϕ_B, ϕ_C: projections of computations on arrays A, B, C
- From Loomis-Whitney/HBL inequality: $\phi_A^{\frac{1}{2}} \phi_B^{\frac{1}{2}} \phi_C^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq$ number of multiplications per processor $= \frac{n_1 n_2 n_3}{P}$
- Extra constraints: $\frac{n_1 n_2}{P} \leq \phi_A \leq n_1 n_2$, $\frac{n_2 n_3}{P} \leq \phi_B \leq n_2 n_3$, $\frac{n_1 n_3}{P} \leq \phi_C \leq n_1 n_3$

Optimization problem and communication lower bounds

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\textit{Minimize } \phi_A + \phi_B + \phi_C \quad \text{s.t.} \\
&\phi_A^{\frac{1}{2}} \phi_B^{\frac{1}{2}} \phi_C^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \frac{n_1 n_2 n_3}{P} \\
&\frac{n_1 n_2}{P} \leq \phi_A \leq n_1 n_2 \\
&\frac{n_2 n_3}{P} \leq \phi_B \leq n_2 n_3 \\
&\frac{n_1 n_3}{P} \leq \phi_C \leq n_1 n_3
\end{aligned}
$$

Amount of array accesses $= \phi_A + \phi_B + \phi_C$

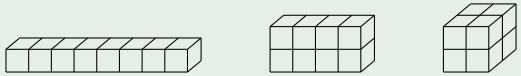
- Estimate the solution and prove optimality using all Karush–Kuhn–Tucker conditions are satisfied
- For $n_1 \leq n_2 \leq n_3$,



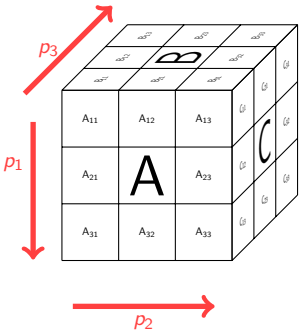
- Communication lower bound $= \phi_A + \phi_B + \phi_C -$ data owned by the processor $= \phi_A + \phi_B + \phi_C - \frac{n_1 n_2 + n_2 n_3 + n_1 n_3}{P}$

Design of communication optimal algorithms for $C = AB$

Arrangements of 8 processors



- P is organized into $p_1 \times p_2 \times p_3$ logical grid
- Select p_1, p_2 and p_3 based on the communication lower bounds
- Gather A on the set of processors along each slice of p_3
- Gather B on the set of processors along each slice of p_1
- Perform local computation
- Perform reduce operation along p_2 to obtain C



Outline

Conclusion and future work

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- Communication lower bounds for matrix multiplication
- Communication optimal algorithms for matrix multiplication

Future Work

- Obtain tight communication lower bounds for Strassen's algorithm
- Analyze symmetric computations such as $C = AA^T$ in detail

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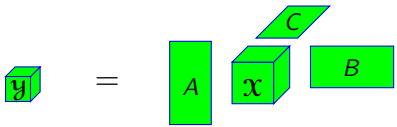
3-dimensional Multi-TTM computation



- $\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_1 A^T \times_2 B^T \times_3 C^T$
- $\mathcal{X}$, $\mathcal{Y}$: 3-dimensional input and output tensors
- A, B, C: matrices
- $\times_i$: analogous to matrix multiplication

- TTM-in-Sequence approach (used in TuckerMPI library): $\mathcal{Y} = \left(\left(\mathcal{X} \times_1 A^T\right) \times_2 B^T\right) \times_3 C^T$
- Our All-at-Once definition with $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3}$, $\mathcal{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times r_2 \times r_3}$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times r_1}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times r_2}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n_3 \times r_3}$

$$\text{for } \{n_1', n_2', n_3', r_1', r_2', r_3'\} = 1{:}\{n_1, n_2, n_3, r_1, r_2, r_3\}$$
$$\mathcal{Y}(r_1', r_2', r_3') += (\mathcal{X}(n_1', n_2', n_3') * A(n_1', r_1') * B(n_2', r_2') * C(n_3', r_3'))$$

- Establish lower bounds on data transfers based on the geometry of computations
- Design a 6-dimensional parallel algorithm
  - Select right parameters based on lower bounds to achieve communication optimality

Solving optimization problems to compute lower bounds

- Select a processor which performs $\frac{n_1 r_1 n_2 r_2 n_3 r_3}{P}$ amount of $4 - array$ operations
- After applying lower and upper bounds for each projection, we need to solve the following optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned}
&\textit{Minimize } \phi_{\mathcal{X}} + \phi_{\mathcal{Y}} + \phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3 \quad \text{s.t.} \\
&\phi_{\mathcal{X}}^{1-a} \phi_{\mathcal{Y}}^{1-a} \phi_1^a \phi_2^a \phi_3^a \geq \frac{n_1 r_1 n_2 r_2 n_3 r_3}{P} \\
&\frac{n_1 n_2 n_3}{P} \leq \phi_{\mathcal{X}} \leq n_1 n_2 n_3 \\
&\frac{r_1 r_2 r_3}{P} \leq \phi_{\mathcal{Y}} \leq r_1 r_2 r_3 \\
&\frac{n_1 r_1}{P} \leq \phi_1 \leq n_1 r_1 \\
&\frac{n_2 r_2}{P} \leq \phi_2 \leq n_2 r_2 \\
&\frac{n_3 r_3}{P} \leq \phi_3 \leq n_3 r_3 \\
&0 \leq a \leq 1
\end{aligned}$$

Divide the problem into two parts

Matrix part

$$\text{Minimize } \phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3 \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$\phi_1\phi_2\phi_3 \geq \frac{n_1 r_1 n_2 r_2 n_3 r_3}{P}$$

$$\frac{n_1 r_1}{P} \leq \phi_1 \leq n_1 r_1$$

$$\frac{n_2 r_2}{P} \leq \phi_2 \leq n_2 r_2$$

$$\frac{n_3 r_3}{P} \leq \phi_3 \leq n_3 r_3$$

Tensor part

$$\text{Minimize } \phi_{\mathcal{X}} + \phi_{\mathcal{Y}} \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$\phi_{\mathcal{X}}\phi_{\mathcal{Y}} \geq \frac{n_1 r_1 n_2 r_2 n_3 r_3}{P}$$

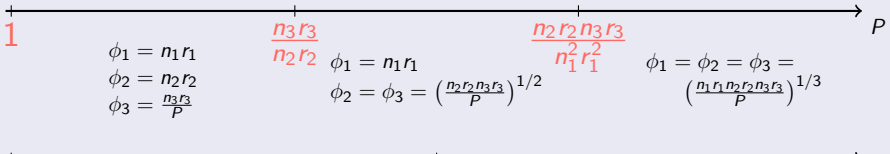
$$\frac{n_1 n_2 n_3}{P} \leq \phi_{\mathcal{X}} \leq n_1 n_2 n_3$$

$$\frac{r_1 r_2 r_3}{P} \leq \phi_{\mathcal{Y}} \leq r_1 r_2 r_3$$

Amount of accesses and lower bounds

- We assume $n_1 r_1 \leq n_2 r_2 \leq n_3 r_3$ and $r_1 r_2 r_3 \leq n_1 n_2 n_3$
- Estimate solutions for both parts using Lagrange multipliers (optimality can be proven using Karush–Kuhn–Tucker conditions)

Amount of accesses $= \phi_{\mathcal{X}} + \phi_{\mathcal{Y}} + \phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3$

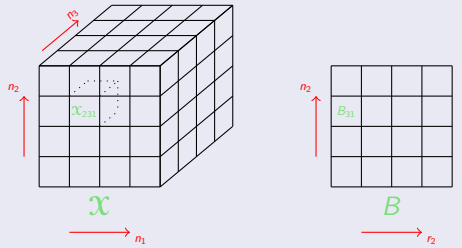


Communication lower bound $= \phi_{\mathcal{X}} + \phi_{\mathcal{Y}} + \phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3 - \frac{n_1 n_2 n_3 + r_1 r_2 r_3 + n_1 r_1 + n_2 r_2 + n_3 r_3}{P}$

Design of communication optimal algorithms

Data Distribution (P is organized into a $p_1 \times p_2 \times p_3 \times q_1 \times q_2 \times q_3$ grid)

- p_1, p_2, p_3, q_1, q_2, and q_3 evenly distribute n_1, n_2, n_3, r_1, r_2, and r_3
- Each processor has $\frac{1}{P}$th amount of input and output variables
- Subtensor $\mathcal{X}_{231} = \mathcal{X}(\frac{n_1}{p_1} + 1 : 2\frac{n_1}{p_1}, 2\frac{n_2}{p_2} + 1 : 3\frac{n_2}{p_2}, 1 : \frac{n_3}{p_3})$ is distributed evenly among processors $(2, 3, 1, *, *, *)$
- Submatrix $B_{31} = B(2\frac{n_2}{p_2} + 1 : 3\frac{n_2}{p_2}, 1 : \frac{r_2}{q_2})$ is distributed evenly among processors $(*, 3, *, *, 1, *)$



6-dimensional algorithm to compute Multi-TTM

Algorithm 1 3-dimensional Parallel Atomic Multi-TTM

Require: $\mathcal{X}$, A, B, C, $p_1 \times p_2 \times p_3 \times q_1 \times q_2 \times q_3$ logical processor grid
Ensure: $\mathcal{Y}$ such that $\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_1 A^{\mathsf{T}} \times_2 B^{\mathsf{T}} \times_3 C^{\mathsf{T}}$

1: $(p'_1, p'_2, p'_3, q'_1, q'_2, q'_3)$ is my processor id
2: //All-gather input tensor and matrices
3: $\mathcal{X}_{p'_1 p'_2 p'_3} =$ All-Gather($\mathcal{X}$, $(p'_1, p'_2, p'_3, *, *, *)$)
4: $A_{p'_1 q'_1} =$ All-Gather(A, $(p'_1, *, *, q'_1, *, *)$)
5: $B_{p'_2 q'_2} =$ All-Gather(B, $(*, p'_2, *, *, q'_2, *)$)
6: $C_{p'_3 q'_3} =$ All-Gather(C, $(*, *, p'_3, *, *, q'_3)$)
7: //Perform local Multi-TTM computation in a temporary tensor $\mathcal{T}$
8: $\mathcal{T} =$ Local-Multi-TTM($\mathcal{X}_{p'_1 p'_2 p'_3}$, $A_{p'_1 q'_1}$, $B_{p'_2 q'_2}$, $C_{p'_3 q'_3}$)
9: //Reduce-scatter the output tensor in $\mathcal{Y}_{q'_1 q'_2 q'_3}$
10: Reduce-Scatter($\mathcal{Y}_{q'_1 q'_2 q'_3}$, $\mathcal{T}$, $(*, *, *, q'_1, q'_2, q'_3)$)

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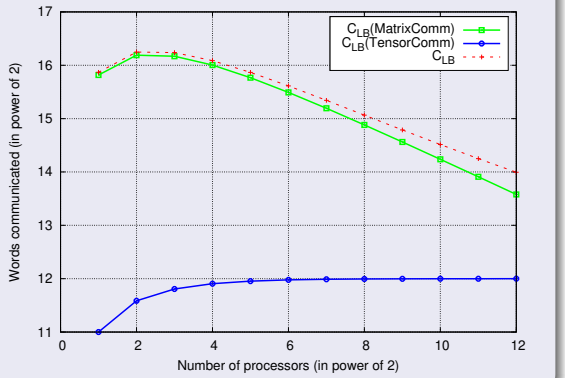
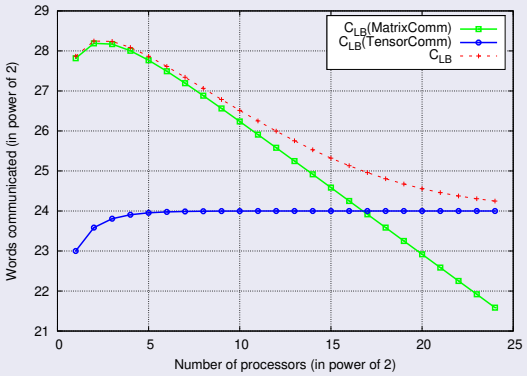
Communication lower bound (C_{LB}) distributions

$n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = 2^{12}, r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = 2^4$



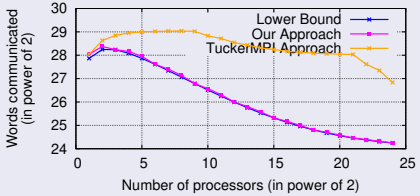
$n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = 2^{20}, r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = 2^8$



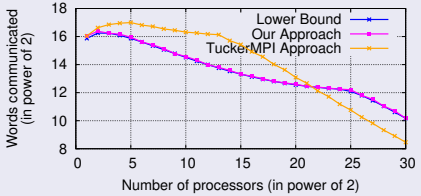
- Matrix communication costs dominate when P is much less than $\frac{n_1 n_2 n_3}{r_1 r_2 r_3}$

Performance comparison of our algorithm

$n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = 2^{20}, r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = 2^8$



$n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = 2^{12}, r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = 2^4$



- Typical scenarios in data compression problems
- For small P, our approach communicates much less than the state-of-the-art approach

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- Communication lower bounds and optimal algorithms for All-at-Once Multi-TTM
- Comparison of our approach with the TTM-in-Sequence approach
- Our algorithm communicates much less data than TTM-in-Sequence for small P

Future Work

- Detailed study of what scenarios are favorable for our approach
- Combine both All-at-Once and TTM-in-Sequence approaches
- Extend our framework for other linear algebra computations

Thank You!