How to Solve Complex Problems in Parallel (Divide and Conquer and Task Parallelism)

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Goals

learn:

- the power of divide and conquer paradigm, combined with task parallelism, with concrete examples,
- how to write task parallel programs (OpenMP task)
- and how to reason about the speedup of task parallel programs
 - work
 - critical path length
 - Greedy Scheduler theorem

Divide and conquer algorithms

• "Divide and conquer" is the single most important design paradigm of algorithms

```
answer solve(D) {

if (trivial (D)) {

return trivially_solve (D);

} else {

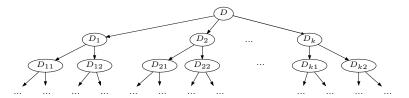
D_1, \dots, D_k = \text{divide}(D); // \text{divide the problem into sub problems}

a_1 = \text{solve}(D_1); \dots; a_k = \text{solve}(D_k); // \text{solve them}

return combine(a_1, \dots, a_k); // combine sub answers

}

}
```



Benefits of "divide and conquer" thinking

Divide and conquer ...

- often helps you *come up with* an algorithm
- is easy to program, with *recursions*
- is often easy to *parallelize*, once you have a recursive formulation and a parallel programming language that support it (*task parallelism*)
- often has a good *locality* of reference, both in serial and parallel execution

Some examples

- quick sort, merge sort
- matrix multiply, LU factorization, eigenvalue
- FFT, polynomial multiply, big int multiply
- maximum segment sum, find median
- k-d tree
- ...

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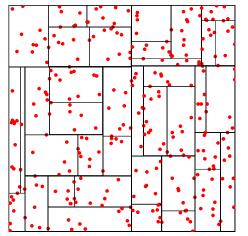
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k-d tree

- A data structure to hierarchically organize points (to facilitate "nearest neighbor" or "proxymity" searches) (usually in 2D or 3D space)
- Each node represents a rectangle region



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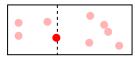




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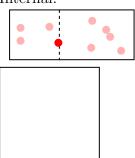
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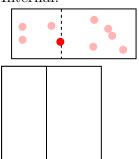
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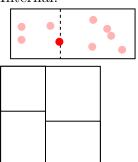
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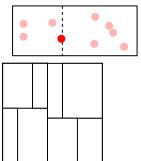
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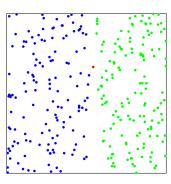
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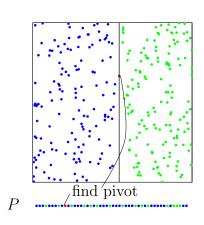
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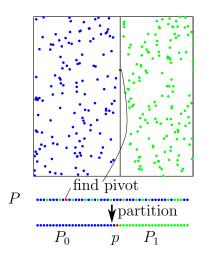


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- choose a "pivot" $p \in P$ through which to split R, and
- partition P into $P_0 + \{p\} + P_1$ where,
 - if we split perpendicular to the x-axis,
 - P_0 : points whose x coodinate < p's
 - P_1 : points whose x coodinate $\geq p$'s (except p)



```
/* build a k-d tree for a set of points P in a rectangular region R and return
       the root of the tree. the node is at depth, so it should split along
2
       (depth % D)th axis */
    build(P, R, depth) {
      if (|P| == 0) {
5
        return 0; /* empty */
6
      } else if (|P| <= threshold) {</pre>
        /* small enough; leaf */
8
        return make_leaf(P, R, depth);
      } else {
10
        /* find a point whose coordinate to split is near the median */
11
12
        p = find_pivot(P, depth % D);
        /* split R into two sub-rectangles */
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14
        RO,R1 = split_rect(R, depth % D, p.pos[depth % D]);
        /* partition P by their coodinate lower/higher than p's coordinate */
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        PO,P1 = partition(P - { p }, depth % D, p.pos[depth % D]);
16
        /* build a tree for each rectangle */
17
18
        n0 = build(P0, R0, depth + 1);
        n1 = build(P1, R1, depth + 1);
19
        /* return a node having n0 and n1 as its children */
20
        return make_node(p, n0, n1, depth);
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22
23
```

Notes on subprocedures

- $p = find_pivot(P, d)$
 - find a point $\in P$ whose dth coordinate is (close to) the median value among all points in P
 - sample a few points and choose the median $\Rightarrow O(1)$
- $R_0, R_1 = \operatorname{split_rect}(R, d, c)$
 - split a rectangular region R by a (hyper-)plane "dth coordinate = c"
 - just make two rectangular regions $\Rightarrow O(1)$
- $P_0, P_1 = partition(P, d, c)$
 - partition a set of points P into two subsets P_0 (dth coordinate < c) and P_1 (dth coordinate $\ge c$)
 - $\bullet \Rightarrow O(|P|)$

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Parallelizing divide and conquer

- Divide and conquer algorithms are easy to parallelize if the programming language/library supports asynchronous recursive calls (*task parallel* systems)
 - OpenMP task constructs (#pragma omp parallel, master, task, taskwait)
 - Intel Threading Building Block (TBB)
 - Cilk, CilkPlus

Parallelizing k-d tree construction with tasks

- it's as simple as doing two recursions in parallel!
- e.g., with OpenMP tasks

```
build(P, R, depth) {
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    #pragma omp task shared(n0)
10
11
        n0 = build(P0, R0, depth + 1);
    #pragma omp task shared(n1)
12
13
        n1 = build(P1, R1, depth + 1);
    #pragma omp taskwait
14
        return make_node(p, n0, n1, depth);
15
16
    }
17
```

• cumbersome to parallelize with only parallel loops

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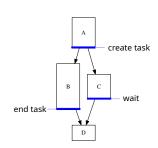
- Work: = the total amount of work of the computation
 - = the time it takes in a serial execution
- Critical path length: = the maximum length of dependent chain of computation
 - a more precise definition follows, with *computational DAGs*

Computational DAGs

The DAG of a computation is a directed acyclic graph in which:

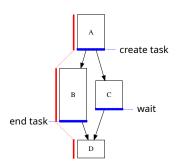
- a node = an interval of computation free of task parallel primitives
 - i.e. a node starts and ends by a $task_6^5$ parallel primitive
 - we assume a single node is executed non-preemptively
- an edge = a dependency between two nodes, of three types:
 - parent \rightarrow created child
 - child \rightarrow waiting parent
 - a node \rightarrow the next node in the same task

```
main() {
    A();
    create_task B();
    C();
    wait(); // wait for B
    D();
}
```



A computational DAG and critical path length

- Consider each node is augmented with a time for a processor to execute it (the node's execution time)
- Define the length of a path to be the sum of execution time of the nodes on the path



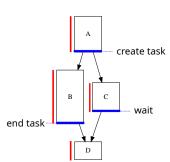
Given a computational DAG,

critical path length = the length of the longest paths from the start node to the end node in the DAG

(we often say critical path to in fact mean its length)

A computational DAG and work

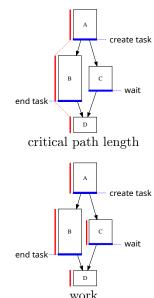
• Work, too, can be elegantly defined in light of computational DAGs



Given a computational DAG, work = the sum of lengths of all nodes

What do they intuitively mean?

- The critical path length represents the "ideal" execution time with *infinitely* many processors
 - i.e., each node is executed immediately after all its predecessors have finished
- ullet We thus often denote it by T_{∞}
- Analogously, we often denote work by T_1 $T_1 = work$, $T_{\infty} = critical\ path$



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- ANSWER: A beautiful theorem (*greedy scheduler theorem*) gives us an answer

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• in practice you remember a simpler form:

$$T_P \le \frac{T_1}{P} + T_{\infty}$$

- it is now a common sense in parallel computing, but the root of the idea seems:
 Richard Brent. The Parallel Evaluation of General Arithmetic Expressions. Journal of the ACM 21(2). pp201-206.
 1974
 Derek Eager, John Zahorjan, and Edward Lazowska.
 Speedup versus efficiency in parallel systems. IEEE Transactions on Computers 38(3). pp408-423. 1989
- People attribute it to Brent and call it Brent's theorem
- Proof is a good exercise for you

I'll repeat! Remember it!

$$T_P \le \frac{T_1}{P} + T_{\infty}$$

A few facts to remember about T_1 and T_{∞}

Consider the execution time with P processors (T_P)

- there are two obvious lower bounds
 - $T_P \geq \frac{T_1}{P}$
 - $T_P \ge T_\infty$

or more simply,

$$T_P \ge \max(\frac{T_1}{P}, T_\infty)$$

• what a greedy scheduler achieves is

$$T_P \le \operatorname{sum}(\frac{T_1}{P}, T_\infty)$$

- two memorable facts
 - "the sum of two lower bounds is an upper bound"
 - any greedy scheduler is within a factor of two of the optimal scheduler (下手な考え休むに似たり?)

A few facts to remember about T_1 and T_{∞}

• to get good (nearly perfect) speedup, we wish to have

$$\frac{T_1}{P} \gg T_{\infty}$$

or equivalently,

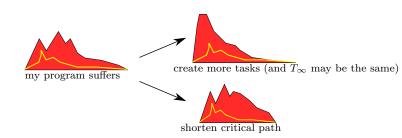
$$\frac{T_1}{T_\infty} \gg P$$

- we can consider $\frac{T_1}{T_{\infty}}$ to be the average parallelism (the speedup we would get with infinitely many processors)
- we like to make the average parallelism large enough compared to the actual number of processors

Takeaway message

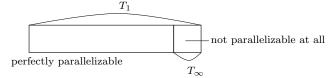
Suffer from low speedup? \Rightarrow try to shorten the critical path

people are tempted to think creating more and more tasks is the way; they are useless, if it does not shorten the critical path



A special case (1) — Amdahl's law

- assume the entire computation (T_1) consists of two parts,
 - \bullet one completely serial (T_{∞}) , and
 - ② the other completely parallelizable $(T_1 T_{\infty})$



- Amdahl's law states $T_p \geq T_{\infty}$, which is trivial
- it is also trivial to observe that any greedy scheduler achieves

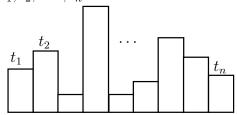
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which coincides with what the greedy scheduler theorem says (for more general cases)

• takeaway: want to get a good speedup? \Rightarrow minimize T_{∞} , or the work not parallelized

A special case (2) — "bag of tasks"

• assume we have a set of n indepent (serial) tasks whose runtimes are t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n



- consider a dynamic greedy scheduler in which each core repeats fetching a task at a time and executing it
- then
 - $T_1 = t_1 + t_2 + \cdots + t_n$
 - $T_{\infty} = \max(t_1, t_2, \cdots, t_n)$
- takeaway: you want to get a good speedup? \Rightarrow shorten $\max(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$, or the execution time of the *longest* task

What makes T_{∞} so useful?

T_{∞} is:

- a single *global metric* (just as the work is)
 - not something that fluctuates over time (cf. the number of tasks)
- inherent to the algorithm, independent from the scheduler
 - not something that depends on schedulers (cf. the number of tasks)
- connected to execution time with P processors in a beautiful way $(T_P \leq T_1/P + T_\infty)$
- easy to estimate/calculate (like the ordinary time complexity of serial programs)

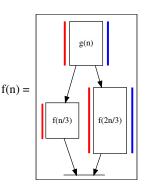
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Calculating work and critical path

- for recursive procedures, using recurrent equations is often a good strategy
- e.g., if we have

```
f(n) {
   if (n == 1) { trivial(n); /* assume O(1) */ }
   else {
      g(n);
      create_task f(n/3);
      f(2*n/3);
      wait();
   }
}
```



then

- (work) $W_f(n) \le W_g(n) + W_f(n/3) + W_f(2n/3)$
- (critical path) $C_{\mathbf{f}}(n) \le C_{\mathbf{g}}(n) + \max\{C_{\mathbf{f}}(n/3), C_{\mathbf{f}}(2n/3)\}$
- we apply this for programs we have seen

Work of k-d tree construction

```
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2
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```

recall that partition takes time proportional to n (the number of points). thus,

$$W_{\text{build}}(n) \approx 2W_{\text{build}}(n/2) + \Theta(n)$$

omitting math,

$$\therefore W_{\text{build}}(n) \in \Theta(n \log n)$$

Remark

- the argument above is crude and optimistic, as n points are not always split into two sets of equal sizes
- omitting math again, the $\Theta(n \log n)$ result is valid as long as a split is guaranteed to be "never too unbalanced" (i.e., there is a constant $\alpha <$, s.t. each child gets $\leq \alpha n$ points)

Critical path

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Speedup of k-d tree construction

• Now we have:

$$W_{\text{build}}(n) \in \Theta(n \log n),$$

 $C_{\text{build}}(n) \in \Theta(n).$

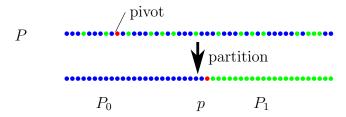
 $\bullet \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{T_1}{T_\infty} \in \Theta(\log n)$$

• not satisfactory in practice

What the analysis tells us

- the expected speedup, $\Theta(\log n)$, is not satisfactory
- to improve, shorten its critical path $\Theta(n)$, to o(n)
- where you should improve? the reason for the $\Theta(n)$ critical path is partition; we should parallelize partition



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Merge sort

- Input:
 - A: an array
- Output:
 - B: a sorted array
- Note: the result could be returned either in place or in a separate array. Assume it is "in place" in the following.

Merge sort : serial code

```
/* sort a..a_end and put the result into
       (i) a (if dest = 0)
       (ii) t (if dest = 1) */
    void ms(elem * a, elem * a_end,
            elem * t, int dest) {
      long n = a_end - a;
      if (n == 1) {
        if (dest) t[0] = a[0]:
      } else {
        /* split the array into two */
10
11
        long nh = n / 2:
        elem * c = a + nh:
12
        /* sort 1st half */
13
                             1 - dest);
        ms(a, c, t,
14
        /* sort 2nd half */
1.5
        ms(c, a_end, t + nh, 1 - dest);
                                           1.5
16
        elem * s = (dest ? a : t):
17
        elem * d = (dest ? t : a);
18
        /* merge them */
19
        merge(s, s + nh,
20
             s + nh, s + n, d);
21
22
23
```

```
/* merge a_beg ... a_end
    and b\_beg ... b\_end
   into c */
void
merge(elem * a, elem * a_end,
      elem * b, elem * b_end,
      elem * c) {
  elem * p = a, * q = b, * r = c;
  while (p < a_end && q < b_end) {
    if (*p < *q) { *r++ = *p++; }
    else { *r++ = *q++; }
  while (p < a_{end}) *r++ = *p++;
  while (q < b_end) *r++ = *q++;
```

note: as always, actually switch to serial sort below a threshold (not shown in the code above)

Merge sort : parallelization

```
void ms(elem * a, elem * a_end,
        elem * t, int dest) {
 long n = a_end - a;
 if (n == 1) {
   if (dest) t[0] = a[0]:
 } else {
   /* split the array into two */
   long nh = n / 2;
   elem * c = a + nh;
   /* sort 1st half */
   create_task ms(a, c, t, 1 - dest);
   /* sort 2nd half */
   ms(c. a end. t + nh. 1 - dest):
   wait():
   elem * s = (dest ? a : t);
   elem * d = (dest ? t : a):
   /* merge them */
   merge(s, s + nh,
         s + nh, s + n, d);
```

• Will we get "good enough" speedup?

Work of merge sort

```
void ms(elem * a, elem * a_end,
        elem * t, int dest) {
  long n = a_end - a;
  if (n == 1) {
    if (dest) t[0] = a[0];
  } else {
    /* split the array into two */
    long nh = n / 2;
    elem *c = a + nh;
   /* sort 1st half */
    create_task ms(a, c, t, 1 - dest);
    /* sort 2nd half */
    ms(c, a\_end, t + nh, 1 - dest);
    wait():
    elem * s = (dest ? a : t);
    elem * d = (dest ? t : a):
    /* merge them */
    merge(s, s + nh,
          s + nh. s + n. d:
```

```
W_{\rm ms}(n) = 2W_{\rm ms}(n/2) + W_{\rm merge}(n),
W_{\rm merge}(n) \in \Theta(n).
\therefore W_{\rm ms}(n) \in \Theta(n \log n)
```

Critical path of merge sort

```
void ms(elem * a, elem * a_end,
        elem * t, int dest) {
  long n = a_end - a;
  if (n == 1) {
    if (dest) t[0] = a[0];
  } else {
    /* split the array into two */
    long nh = n / 2;
    elem * c = a + nh;
   /* sort 1st half */
    create_task ms(a, c, t, 1 - dest);
    /* sort 2nd half */
    ms(c, a\_end, t + nh, 1 - dest);
    wait():
    elem * s = (dest ? a : t);
    elem * d = (dest ? t : a);
    /* merge them */
    merge(s, s + nh,
          s + nh. s + n. d:
```

$$C_{\mathrm{ms}}(n) = C_{\mathrm{ms}}(n/2) + C_{\mathrm{merge}}(n),$$

 $C_{\mathrm{merge}}(n) \in \Theta(n)$
 $\therefore C_{\mathrm{ms}}(n) \in \Theta(n)$

Speedup of merge sort

$$T_1 = W_{\mathrm{ms}}(n) \in \Theta(n \log n),$$

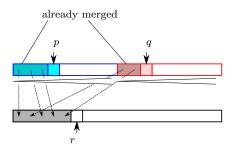
$$T_{\infty} = C_{\mathrm{ms}}(n) \in \Theta(n).$$

the average parallelism

$$T_1/T_\infty \in \Theta(\log n).$$

How (serial) merge works

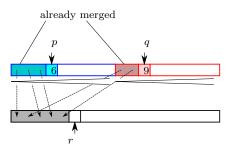
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/* merge a_beg ... a_end
    and b\_beg \dots b\_end
   into c */
void
merge(elem * a, elem * a_end,
      elem * b, elem * b_end,
      elem * c) {
  elem * p = a, * q = b, * r = c;
  while (p < a_end && q < b_end) {
    if (*p < *q) { *r++ = *p++; }
    else { *r++ = *q++; }
  while (p < a_end) *r++ = *p++;
  while (q < b_end) *r++ = *q++;
```



Looks very serial ...

How (serial) merge works

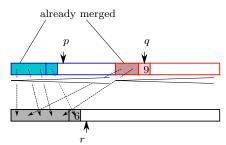
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      elem * c) {
  elem * p = a, * q = b, * r = c;
  while (p < a_end && q < b_end) {
    if (*p < *q) { *r++ = *p++; }
    else { *r++ = *q++; }
  while (p < a_end) *r++ = *p++;
  while (q < b_end) *r++ = *q++;
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How (serial) merge works

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    and b\_beg \dots b\_end
   into c */
void
merge(elem * a, elem * a_end,
      elem * b, elem * b_end,
      elem * c) {
  elem * p = a, * q = b, * r = c;
  while (p < a_end && q < b_end) {
    if (*p < *q) { *r++ = *p++; }
    else { *r++ = *q++; }
  while (p < a_end) *r++ = *p++;
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Looks very serial ...

How to parallelize merge?

- again, divide and conquer thinking helps
- left as an exercise

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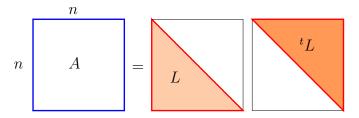
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Our running example : Cholesky factorization

- Input:
 - A: $n \times n$ positive semidefinite symmetric matrix
- Output:
 - L: $n \times n$ lower triangular matrix s.t.

$$A = L^{t}L$$

• $({}^{t}L \text{ is a transpose of } L)$



Note: why Cholesky factorization is important?

• It is the core step when solving

$$Ax = b$$
 (single righthand side)

or, in more general,

$$AX = B$$
 (multiple righthand sides),

as follows.

• Cholesky decompose $A = L^{t}L$ and get

$$L \underbrace{^tLX}_{Y} = B$$

- Find X by solving triangular systems twice

 - $\mathbf{2}^{t}LX = Y$

Formulate using subproblems

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & {}^{t}A_{21} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & O \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} {}^{t}L_{11} & {}^{t}L_{21} \\ O & {}^{t}L_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

leads to three subproblems

- $A_{11} = L_{11} {}^t L_{11}$
- $^{2} {}^{t}A_{21} = L_{11} {}^{t}L_{21}$
- $A_{22} = L_{21} {}^{t}L_{21} + L_{22} {}^{t}L_{22}$

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- $A_{11} = L_{11} {}^{t}L_{11}$ recursion and get L_{11}
- $^{2} {}^{t}A_{21} = \mathbf{L_{11}} {}^{t}L_{21}$

 $A_{22} = L_{21}{}^{t}L_{21} + L_{22}{}^{t}L_{22}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & {}^{t}A_{21} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & O \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} {}^{t}L_{11} & {}^{t}L_{21} \\ O & {}^{t}L_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

```
• A_{11} = L_{11} {}^{t}L_{11}
• recursion and get L_{11}
• tA_{21} = L_{11} {}^{t}L_{21}
• solve a triangular system and get {}^{t}L_{21}
• A_{22} = L_{21} {}^{t}L_{21} + L_{22} {}^{t}L_{22}
```

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} A_{11} & {}^tA_{21} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{cc} L_{11} & O \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{cc} {}^tL_{11} & {}^tL_{21} \\ O & {}^tL_{22} \end{array}\right)$$

```
\bullet A_{11} = L_{11} {}^{t}L_{11}
                                                             /* Cholesky factorization */
                                                         2 | \operatorname{chol}(A)  {
         • recursion and get L_{11}
                                                         if (n=1) return (\sqrt{a_{11}});
                                                             else {
^{t}A_{21} = L_{11} {^{t}L_{21}}
                                                              L_{11} = \text{chol}(A_{11});
         • solve a triangular system
                                                         6 /* triangular solve */

\gamma = trsm(L_{11}, {}^{t}A_{21});

             and get {}^tL_{21}
                                                         E_{22} = \operatorname{chol}(A_{22} - L_{21}^t L_{21});
                                                               return \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & {}^tL_{21} \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{pmatrix}
 A_{22} = L_{21}{}^{t}L_{21} + L_{22}{}^{t}L_{22} 

    recursion on

             (A_{22}-L_{21}{}^{t}L_{21}) and get L_{22}^{11}
```

Remark 1: "In-place update" version

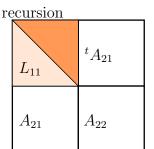
- Instead of returning the answer as another matrix, it is often possible to update the input matrix with the answer
- When possible, it is desirable, as it avoids extra copies

```
/* in place */
/* functional */
chol(A) {
                                                                 chol(A) {
   if (n=1) return (\sqrt{a_{11}});
                                                                    if (n = 1) a_{11} := \sqrt{a_{11}};
  else {
                                                                    else {
     L_{11} = \text{chol}(A_{11});
                                                                       chol(A_{11});
     /* triangular solve */
                                                                      /* triangular solve */
     {}^{t}L_{21} = \operatorname{trsm}(L_{11}, {}^{t}A_{21});
                                                                      trsm(A_{11}, A_{12});
     L_{22} = \operatorname{chol}(A_{22} - L_{21}{}^{t}L_{21});
                                                                      A_{21} = {}^{t}A_{12};
                                                                      A_{22} = A_{21}A_{12}
                                                                       chol(A_{22});
                                                           10
                                                           11
                                                           12
```

```
/* in place */
\operatorname{chol}(A) {
    if (n = 1) a_{11} := \sqrt{a_{11}};
    else {
        chol(A_{11});
        /* triangular solve */
        trsm(A_{11}, A_{12});
        A_{21} = {}^t A_{12};
        A_{22} - = A_{21} A_{12}
        chol(A_{22});
    }
}
```

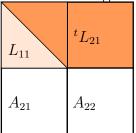
A_{11}	$^tA_{21}$
A_{21}	A_{22}

```
/* in place */
chol(A) {
    if (n = 1) a_{11} := \sqrt{a_{11}};
    else {
        chol(A_{11});
        /* triangular solve */
        trsm(A_{11}, A_{12});
        A_{21} = {}^tA_{12};
        A_{22} := A_{21}A_{12}
        chol(A_{22});
    }
}
```



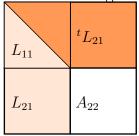
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chol(A) {
    if (n = 1) a_{11} := \sqrt{a_{11}};
    else {
        chol(A_{11});
        /* triangular solve */
        trsm(A_{11}, A_{12});
        A_{21} = {}^tA_{12};
        A_{22} -= A_{21}A_{12}
        chol(A_{22});
    }
}
```

recursion triangular solve



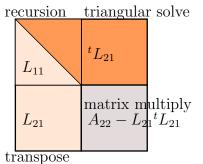
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    }
}
```

recursion triangular solve



transpose

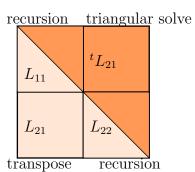
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    else {
        chol(A_{11});
        /* triangular solve */
        trsm(A_{11}, A_{12});
        A_{21} = {}^tA_{12};
        A_{22} := A_{21}A_{12}
        chol(A_{22});
    }
}
```



```
/* in place */
chol(A) {

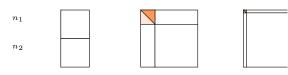
if (n = 1) \ a_{11} := \sqrt{a_{11}};
else {

chol(A_{11});
/* triangular solve */
trsm(A_{11}, A_{12});
A_{21} = {}^tA_{12};
A_{22} = A_{21}A_{12}
chol(A_{22});
}
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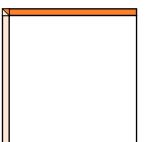


Remark 2: where to decompose

- Where to partition A is arbitrary
- The case $n_1 = 1$ and $n_2 = n 1 \approx \text{loops}$



• The "loop-like" version (partition into 1 + (n-1)) can be written in a true loop



```
/* loop version */
chol.loop(A) {

for (k = 1; k \le n; k ++) {

a_{kk} := \sqrt{a_{kk}};

A_{k,k+1:n} \neq a_{kk};

A_{k+1:n,k} \neq a_{kk};

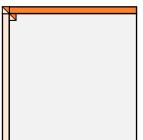
A_{k+1:n,k+1:n} = A_{k:n,k}A_{k,k:n}
}

}
```

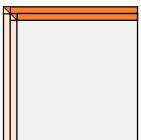
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```
 \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ \text{chol.loop}(A) \ \{ \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{array} \right. \left. \begin{array}{c} /* \ loop \ version \ */ \\ \text{chol.loop}(A) \ \{ \\ \text{for} \ (k=1; \ k \leq n; \ k \ ++ \ ) \ \{ \\ a_{kk} := \sqrt{a_{kk}}; \\ A_{k,k+1:n} \ /= \ a_{kk}; \\ A_{k,k+1:n,k} \ /= \ a_{kk}; \\ A_{k+1:n,k+1:n} \ -= \ A_{k:n,k} A_{k,k:n} \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ \end{array} \right.
```

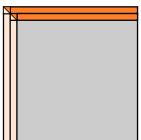
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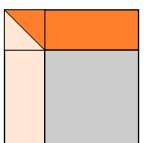
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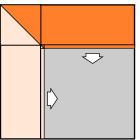
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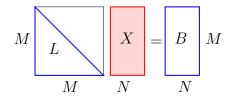
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A subproblem 1: triangular solve

- Input:
 - L: $M \times M$ lower triangle matrix
 - $B: M \times N$ matrix
- Output:
 - $X: M \times N$ matrix X s.t.

$$LX = B$$



Formulate using subproblems

Two ways to decompose:

 \bullet (split X and B vertically)

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} L_{11} & O \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{array}\right) \Rightarrow$$

- $L_{11}X_1 = B_1$, and
- $L_{21}X_1 + L_{22}X_2 = B_2$

$$L(X_1 \ X_2) = (B_1 \ B_2) \Rightarrow$$

- $LX_1 = B_1$, and
- $LX_2 = B_2$

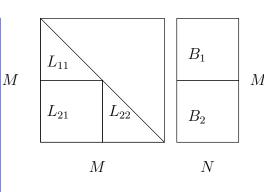
Choice is arbitrary, but for reasons we describe later, we decompose X and B so that their shapes are more square

```
/* triangular solve LX = B.
                                                                                      replace B with X */
 \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & O \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{trsm}(L,B) \\ \text{if } (M=1) \\ B \neq l_{11}; \end{pmatrix} 
                                                                                  } else if (M > N) {
                                                                                       trsm(L_{11}, B_1);
                                                                                       B_2 -= L_{21}B_1;
• L_{11}X_1 = B_1
                                                                                       trsm(L_{22}, B_2);
    recursion on (L_{11}, B_1) and get X_1
                                                                                    } else {
                                                                                       trsm(L, B_1):
• L_{21}X_1 + L_{22}X_2 = B_2 recursion on <sup>11</sup>
                                                                                       trsm(L, B_2);
    (L_{22}, B_2 - L_{21}X_1) and get X_2
                                                                          13
                                                                          14
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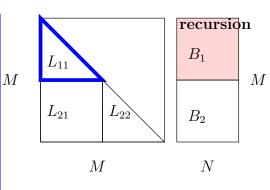
$$L(X_1 X_2) = (B_1 B_2) \Rightarrow$$

solve them independently (easy)

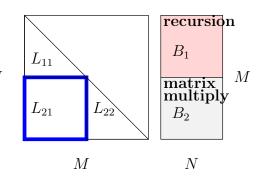
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   replace B with X */
trsm(L, B) {
  if (M = 1) {
    B /= l_{11};
  } else if (M \ge N) {
    trsm(L_{11}, B_1);
    B_2 -= L_{21}B_1;
    trsm(L_{22}, B_2);
  } else {
    trsm(L, B_1);
    trsm(L, B_2);
```



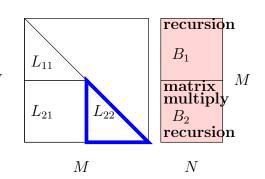
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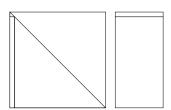
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                                       M
  } else if (M \ge N) {
    trsm(L_{11}, B_1);
    B_2 -= L_{21}B_1;
    trsm(L_{22}, B_2);
  } else {
    trsm(L, B_1);
    trsm(L, B_2);
```



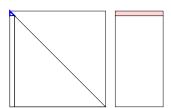
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   replace B with X */
trsm(L, B) {
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    B_2 -= L_{21}B_1;
    trsm(L_{22}, B_2);
  } else {
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```



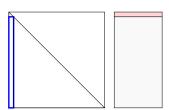
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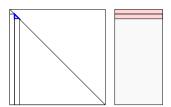
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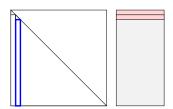
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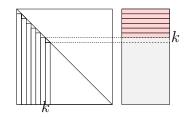
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    }
}
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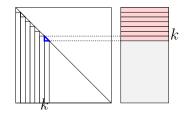
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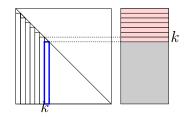
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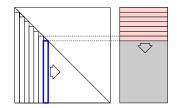
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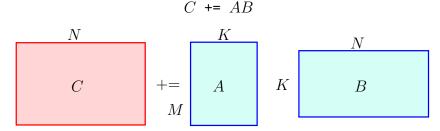


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A subproblem 2: matrix multiply

- Input:
 - $C: M \times N$ matrix
 - $A: M \times K$ matrix
 - $B: K \times N$ matrix
- Output :



Formulate using subproblems

Three ways to decompose

 \bullet divide M:

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{array}\right) += \left(\begin{array}{c} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{array}\right) B$$

$$\rightarrow C_1$$
 += A_1B // C_2 += A_2B

 \bullet divide N:

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} C_1 & C_2 \end{array}\right) += A \left(\begin{array}{cc} B_1 & B_2 \end{array}\right)$$

$$ightarrow$$
 C_1 += AB_1 // C_2 += AB_2

 \bullet divide K:

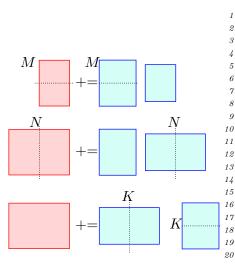
$$C += \left(\begin{array}{cc} A_1 & A_2 \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{array}\right)$$

$$\rightarrow C$$
 += A_1B_1 ; C += A_2B_2

Which decomposition should we use?

- For reasons described later, divide the largest one among M, N, and K
- Make the shape of subproblems as square as possible

Solving using recursions



```
gemm(A, B, C) {
          if ((M, N, K) = (1, 1, 1)) {
 2
            c_{11} += a_{11} * b_{11};
         } else if (M \ge N \text{ and } M \ge K) {
             A_1, A_2 = \operatorname{split}_h(A);
            C_1, C_2 = \operatorname{split}_h(C);
             gemm(A_1, B, C_1);
 8
             \operatorname{gemm}(A_2, B, C_2);
         } else if (N > M \text{ and } N > K)
             B_1, B_2 = \operatorname{split}_{-\mathbf{v}}(B);
            C_1, C_2 = \operatorname{split}_{-v}(C);
             \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_1);
             \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_2);
         } else {
14
             A_1, A_2 = \operatorname{split}_{-v}(A);
             B_1, B_2 = \operatorname{split}_h(B);
             \operatorname{gemm}(A_1, B_1, C);
             \operatorname{gemm}(A_2, B_2, C);
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```

Where is parallelism in our example? Cholesky

 data dependency prohibits any of function calls in line 5-10 to be executed in parallel

Where is parallelism in our example? Triangular solve

```
/* triangular solve LX = B.
         replace B with X */
     trsm(L, B) {
       if (M = 1) {
          B /= l_{11};
       } else if (M \ge N) {
         trsm(L_{11}, B_1);
         B_2 -= L_{21}B_1;
          trsm(L_{22}, B_2);
       } else {
10
          \operatorname{trsm}(L, B_1);
11
          \operatorname{trsm}(L, B_2);
12
13
14
```

- function calls in line 7-9 cannot be run in parallel
- two calls to trsm at line 11 and a2 *can* be run in parallel

Where is parallelism in our example? Matrix multiply

```
gemm(A, B, C) {
   if ((M, N, K) = (1, 1, 1)) {
      c_{11} += a_{11} * b_{11};
   } else if (M > N \text{ and } M > K) {
      A_1, A_2 = \operatorname{split}_h(A);
      C_1, C_2 = \operatorname{split}_h(C);
      \operatorname{gemm}(A_1, B, C_1);
      \operatorname{gemm}(A_2, B, C_2);
   } else if (N > M \text{ and } N > K)
      B_1, B_2 = \operatorname{split}_{-\mathbf{v}}(B);
      C_1, C_2 = \operatorname{split}_{-\mathbf{v}}(C);
      \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_1);
      \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_2);
   } else {
      A_1, A_2 = \operatorname{split-v}(A);
      B_1, B_2 = \operatorname{split}_h(B);
      \operatorname{gemm}(A_1, B_1, C);
      \operatorname{gemm}(A_2, B_2, C);
```

- when dividing M and N, two recursive calls can be parallel
- when dividing K, they should be serial
- (alternatively, we can execute them in parallel using two different regions for C and then add them)

That's basically it!

```
gemm(A, B, C) {
                                                               /* triangular solve LX = B.
        if ((M, N, K) = (1, 1, 1)) {
                                                                   replace B with X */
          c_{11} += a_{11} * b_{11}:
                                                               trsm(L, B) {
        } else if (M \ge N \text{ and } M \ge K) {
                                                                  if (M = 1) {
          A_1, A_2 = \operatorname{split}_h(A);
                                                                   B /= l_{11}:
          C_1, C_2 = \operatorname{split}_h(C);
                                                                } else if (M > N) {
                                                                    trsm(L_{11}, B_1);
     #pragma omp task
 7
          \operatorname{gemm}(A_1, B, C_1);
                                                                   B_2 -= L_{21}B_1;
 8
     #pragma omp task
                                                                    trsm(L_{22}, B_2);
          \operatorname{gemm}(A_2, B, C_2);
                                                                  } else {
10
                                                          10
     #pragma omp taskwait
                                                               #pragma omp task
11
        } else if (N \ge M \text{ and } N \ge K)
                                                                    trsm(L, B_1);
12
          B_1, B_2 = \operatorname{split}_{-\mathbf{v}}(B);
                                                               #pragma omp task
13
                                                          13
          C_1, C_2 = \operatorname{split}_{-\mathbf{v}}(C);
                                                                    trsm(L, B_2);
14
                                                          14
     #pragma omp task
                                                               #pragma omp taskwait
1.5
          \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_1);
16
                                                          16
     #pragma omp task
17
                                                          17
          gemm(A, B_1, C_2);
18
     #pragma omp taskwait
19
        } else {
20
21
          // same as before
```

T_1 and T_{∞} of matrix multiply

```
gemm(A, B, C) {
  if ((M, N, K) = (1, 1, 1)) {
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     \operatorname{gemm}(A_1, B, C_1);
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     \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_1);
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     \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_2);
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  } else {
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     \operatorname{gemm}(A_2, B_2, C);
```

```
Work (T_1), written by
W_{\text{gemm}}(M, N, K) =
           ((M, N, K) = (1, 1, 1))
      2W_{\text{gemm}}(M/2, N, K) + \Theta(1)
             (M is largest)
      2W_{\text{gemm}}(M, N/2, K) + \Theta(1)
             (N \text{ is largest})
      2W_{\text{gemm}}(M, N, K/2) + \Theta(1)
            (K \text{ is largest})
 \Rightarrow \Theta(MNK)
```

T_1 and T_{∞} of matrix multiply

```
gemm(A, B, C) {
  if ((M, N, K) = (1, 1, 1)) {
     c_{11} += a_{11} * b_{11}:
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#pragma omp task
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#pragma omp task
     \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_1);
#pragma omp task
     \operatorname{gemm}(A, B_1, C_2);
#pragma omp taskwait
  } else {
     \operatorname{gemm}(A_1, B_1, C);
     \operatorname{gemm}(A_2, B_2, C);
```

```
Critical path (T_{\infty}), written by
C_{\text{gemm}}(M, N, K) =
     \Theta(1)
           ((M, N, K) = (1, 1, 1)),
     C_{\text{gemm}}(M/2, N, K) + \Theta(1)
          (M \text{ is largest})
     C_{\text{gemm}}(M, N/2, K) + \Theta(1)
            (N \text{ is largest})
     2C_{\text{gemm}}(M, N, K/2) + \Theta(1)
            (N \text{ is largest})
\Rightarrow \Theta(\log M + \log N + K) (we
consider it as \Theta(K) for brevity)
```

T_1 and T_{∞} of triangular solve

```
/* triangular solve LX = B.
   replace B with X */
trsm(L, B) {
  if (M = 1) {
   B /= l_{11};
 } else if (M > N) {
    trsm(L_{11}, B_1);
    B_2 -= L_{21}B_1:
    \operatorname{trsm}(L_{22}, B_2);
  } else {
#pragma omp task
    trsm(L, B_1);
#pragma omp task
    trsm(L, B_2);
#pragma omp taskwait
```

```
Work (T_1), written by
W_{\text{trsm}}(M, N) =
         ((M,N)=(1,1,1))
       2W_{\mathrm{trsm}}(M/2,N)
      +W_{\text{gemm}}(M/2, N, M/2)
        (M \ge N)
2W_{\text{trsm}}(M, N/2) + \Theta(1)
(N > M)
```

T_1 and T_{∞} of triangular solve

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  } else {
#pragma omp task
    trsm(L, B_1);
#pragma omp task
    trsm(L, B_2);
#pragma omp taskwait
```

```
Critical path (T_{\infty}), written by
                \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & ((M,N) = (1,1)), \\ 2C_{\text{trsm}}(M/2,N) & +C_{\text{gemm}}(M/2,N,M/2) \\ & (M \ge N) \\ C_{\text{trsm}}(M,N/2) + \Theta(1) \\ & (N > M) \end{cases}
```

T_1 and T_{∞} of Cholesky

```
 \begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{l} \text{chol}(A) \; \{ \\ \text{if} \; (n=1) \; a_{11} := \sqrt{a_{11}}; \\ \text{else} \; \{ \\ \text{chol}(A_{11}); \\ /* \; triangular \; solve \; */ \\ \text{trsm}(A_{11}, A_{12}); \\ A_{21} = {}^t A_{12}; \\ A_{22} \; -= \; A_{21} A_{12} \\ \text{chol}(A_{22}); \end{array} \end{array} \right. \\ \begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{l} \text{Work} \; (T_1), \; \text{written by} \; W_{\text{chol}}(n) = \\ \\ \begin{array}{l} \Theta(1) \\ 2W_{\text{chol}}(n/2) \\ +W_{\text{trsm}}(n/2, n/2) \\ +W_{\text{trsm}}(n/2, n/2) \\ +W_{\text{trans}}(n/2, n/2) \\ +W_{\text{gemm}}(n/2, n/2, n/2) \end{array} \right. \\ \\ \Rightarrow \Theta(n^3) \end{array}
```

T_1 and T_{∞} of Cholesky

```
\begin{array}{l} \text{chol}(A) \ \{ \\ \text{if} \ (n=1) \ a_{11} := \sqrt{a_{11}}; \\ \text{else} \ \{ \\ \text{chol}(A_{11}); \\ /* \ triangular \ solve \ */ \\ \text{trsm}(A_{11}, A_{12}); \\ A_{21} = {}^tA_{12}; \\ A_{22} \ -= \ A_{21}A_{12} \\ \text{chol}(A_{22}); \\ \} \\ \} \end{array}
```

```
Critical path (T_{\infty}), written by C_{\text{chol}}(n) =
\begin{cases}
\Theta(1) & (n=1) \\
2C_{\text{chol}}(n/2) \\
+C_{\text{trsm}}(n/2, n/2) \\
+C_{\text{trans}}(n/2, n/2) \\
+C_{\text{gemm}}(n/2, n/2, n/2)
\end{cases}
\Rightarrow \Theta(n \log n)
```

Summary

For $n \times n$ matrix,

- $T_1 \in \Theta(n^3)$
- $T_{\infty} \in \Theta(n \log n)$
- the average parallelism:

$$T_1/T_{\infty} = \frac{n^2}{\log n}$$

- \bullet this should be ample for sufficiently large n
- a constant thresholding does not affect the asymptotic result;
 - you can switch to a serial loop for matrices smaller than a constant
- in practice, this threshold affects T_1 and T_{∞}
 - T_1 will decrease (good thing)
 - T_{∞} will increase due to a larger serial computation at leaves