

1 Introduction

Hi, I am producing this document to ease you in to using my code/library, which I have called “GLU” (Gauge Link Utility). The code is intended for very fast Landau and Coulomb gauge fixing using Fourier Acceleration [?]. It also supports a bunch of other operations which I will not describe here.

My code is written for openmp shared-memory parallelism. And can read NERSC, HiRep, MILC, SCIDAC, ILDG_BQCD, ILDG_SCIDAC or general LIME configuration files.

I have included the most recent fftw library, this is the only external library needed. I will now describe the fairly painless installation procedure, which should take five minutes or so.

2 Installation

Ok, so I will discuss the two choices in the utilisation of FFTW, they are the “Small scale” and “Large scale” usage. “Small scale” is for targets of less than 6 processors and “Large scale” is for more. My code can be set to generic NC (number of color charges) and generic ND (dimensions of lattice), but defaults to NC=3, ND=4 which is what I imagine you require.

2.1 FFTW and flags

In fftw-3.3.3 the general flags I used are (assuming gcc and `$FFTW_INSTALL` is some meaningful directory),

```
./configure CC=gcc CFLAGS="-O3 -ffast-math" --prefix=$FFTW_INSTALL
```

And if available, I would recommend using the `-mfpmath=sse` and the `--enable-sse2` flags as well (if available). And then it is just the usual `make && make all install`

2.1.1 Large scale

For large scale builds I utilise the OpenMP'd FFTW routines, called using

```
--enable-openmp
```

and `-fopenmp` in the CFLAGS.

2.2 GLU and flags

Awesome, you have compiled FFTW! Don't worry, that was the hard part. Now in `./GLU/`, type something like

```
./configure CC=gcc CFLAGS="-O3 -ffast-math -fopenmp" --prefix=$GLU_INSTALL \\  
--enable-timegf --with-fftw=$FFTW_INSTALL
```

Where the `\\` implies I have not gone to a newline, this was just for formatting in Latex.

And then just `make && make install`.

A note of caution, please make sure `$GLU_INSTALL` is the full path, because we have the option to save some time and this option will be discussed in “Erroneous”.

2.2.1 Large scale

As with the `fftw`, we need to state we are using the openMP’d `fftw` routines to my code. The configure flag

```
--enable-OMP_FFTW
```

does the trick.

3 Running tests

Fantastic. So you should notice there is now something in the `$GLU_INSTALL` directory. Should be “bin, lib, share and Local”. In the bin directory you will find the binary `GLU`. A flat input file and a config (NERSC QCD configuration “lat..400”). You run my code by typing (the terms in are optional as to whether you want an output file).

```
./GLU -i input_file -c lat..400 {-o $outfile}
```

The input file given is set-up for Coulomb gauge fixing, the accuracy is some integer in the file which is converted to $10^{-\text{ACCURACY}}$ in the code, due to historical reasons. The rest of the stuff in there is for the most part unimportant. If you are not converging set “GF_TUNE” to be lower, say “0.09”.

The accuracy is defined by the measure,

$$\theta = \frac{1}{VN_C} \sum_{\mu,x} \text{Tr} \left(\left[A_\mu(x + a\hat{\mu}/2) - A_\mu(x - a\hat{\mu}/2) \right] \right)^2 < 10^{-\text{ACCURACY}}. \quad (1)$$

I strongly recommend an ACCURACY greater than or equal to 14!

`GLU` can also be used to automatically generate example input files for Landau and Coulomb gauge fixing by typing the command,

```
./GLU --autoin={LANDAU, COULOMB}
```

This will print out an input file to stdout. If you wish to query the various options of the input file, the command,

```
./GLU --help={options}
```

Can be used.

4 Erroneous

If we are not submitting to a cluster and working locally, we can save the FFTW plan to the `./Local/Moments` folder in the installation directory. For large transforms this is a good initial time saver. It is enabled with the configure flag,

```
--enable-notcondor
```

For the moment that is about it.

References

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