Notes on Parallelizing Matrix-Matrix Multiplication

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1 A simple implementation

In this assignment, you start with a very simple parallel matrix-matrix multiplication that implements C = AB + C as a sequence of rank-k updates:

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \mid a_1 \mid \dots \mid a_{k-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{b}_0^T \\ \hat{b}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \hat{b}_{k-1}^T \end{pmatrix} = ((\cdots ((C + a_0 \hat{b}_0^T) + a_1 \hat{b}_1^T) + \cdots) + a_{k-1} \hat{b}_{k-1}^T)$$

1.1 Distribution

Consider Figure 1–3, which illustrate how matrices C, A, and B are distributed to a $r \times c$ mesh of (MPI) processes, when r = c = 3. They are distributed using an elemental cyclic distribution.

1.2 Routine ParallelRank1

Since the matrix multiplication can be accomplished as a loop around rank-1 updates, I created a routine ParallelRank1 that implements a rank-1 update with the pth column A multiplying the pth row of B, updating C.

Notice that this routine communicates the pth column of A within rows of nodes and the pth row of B within columns of nodes to achieve the duplication of data illustrated in Figure 2. The duplicated data are in the work arrays work_A and work_B, respectively, and the local computation is then performed by the call to the BLAS routine dger_, which performs a rank-1 update. Notice that dger_ uses a Fortran interface, meaning that data must be passed by address, which explains some of the ugliness...

1.3 Routine ParallelMMult

The routine ParallelMMult in file ParallelMMult_1.c simply implements the parallel matrix-matrix multiplication as a loop around calls to ParallelRank1.

1.4 The driver routine

The driver routine sets up the MPI environment, creates random matrices, copies (via the utility routine CopyMatrixGlobalToLocal) the local part of those random matrices into the local arrays used for the parallel matrix-matrix multiplication, etc. It uses utility routines to create a random matrix and to compare the contents of two matrices.

1.5 Executing

Copy $\tilde{r}vdg/class/CS378S13/PMMult$ into a directory of your own. Executing make run will compile and test (with a 2×3 mesh of processes). The reported diff should be small.

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Figure 1: Distribution of C to a 3×3 mesh of processes. Also shown is how a_p and \hat{b}_p are duplicated in order to perform the update $C = C + a_p \hat{b}_p$ as local rank-1 updates.

1.6 Comment

When we run this on a real machine (next week), you will see that this implementation is (weakly) scalable, but achieves very low performance.

2 Optimization 1

The key is to locally call a matrix-matrix multiply rather than a rank-1 update. For this, observe that

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} A_0 \mid A_1 \mid \dots \mid A_{K-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0 \\ B_1 \\ \vdots \\ B_{K-1} \end{pmatrix} = ((\dots ((C + A_0 B_0) + A_1 B_1) + \dots) + A_{K-1} B_{K-1})$$

Now, I will describe how to morph ParallelRank1 into ParallelRankK, which will implement $C = C + A_k B_k$, where A_k has b_k columns and B_k has b_k rows.

2.1 Calling sequence

Please make the calling sequence for this new routine

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Figure 2: Distribution of A to a 3×3 mesh of processes.

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void ParallelRankK(
   // global matrix dimensions m, n, k
   int global_m, int global_n, int global_k,
   // the global index of the current columns of A and current rows of B
   // to be used for the rank-b_k update
   int p,
                   // the block size for this rank-k update
   int bk,
   // address of where local A, B, and C are stored, as well as their
   // local "leading dimensions"
   double *local_A, int local_ldimA,
   double *local_B, int local_ldimB,
   double *local_C, int local_ldimC,
   // communicator for the row in which this node is a member
   MPI_Comm comm_row,
   // communicator for the column in which this node is a member
   MPI_Comm comm_col )
(Notice the new parameter bk.)
   Store this first implementation in file ParallelRankK_2.c.
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Figure 3: Distribution of B to a 3×3 mesh of processes.

2.2 From ParallelRank1 to ParallelRankK_2

Work arrays First, you will want to make it so that work_A can hold b_k columns and work_B can hold b_k columns. Hint: take rows of B but store them as columns of work_B!!! This will make your life easier.

Communication In your first implementation, perform separate broadcasts to communicate each of the b_k columns of A and b_k rows of B by putting a loop around the broadcasts in ParallelRank1.

Local computation Also, put a loop around the rank-1 updates (calls to dger_).

2.3 From ParallelMMult_1 to ParallelMMult_2

Copy ParallelMMult_1.c into ParallelMMult_2.c (but don't change the name or calling sequence). Change the routine to call ParallelRankK. You will have to change the loop to increment in steps of bk. How do you deal with the fact that in the last iteration you may not have a full set of bk columns in A (or rows in B)?

Change the Makefile and see if you get the right answer.

3 Optimization 2

3.1 From ParallelRankK_2 to ParallelRankK_3

Copy from one file to a new file.

Local computation Replace the loop with calls to dger_ with a single call to the matrix-matrix multiplication routine dgemm_. (An example of how to call this is in the driver. Remember: work_B hold the transpose of the rows of B with which you are computing!)

Change the Makefile and see if you get the right answer.

4 Optimization 3

4.1 From ParallelRankK_3 to ParallelRankK_4

Copy from one file to a new file.

Communication Replace the loop with calls to MPI_Bcast with a single call to an appropriate collective communication. What else do you need to do?

Change the Makefile and see if you get the right answer.