Challenges of efficient Fast Fourier Transform

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Definition of Fourier Transform

$$x \rightarrow k \qquad f(x) = \sum_{k} f(k) \exp(ikx)$$
$$k \rightarrow x \qquad f(k) = \sum_{x} f(x) \exp(-ikx)$$

Time complexity: O(N²)

Fast Fourier transform

Cooley and Tukey, 1965



0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

FT(f) split into FT of even and odd indexed data.

Continue this operation at all levels.

Divide and conquer

Time complexity: O(N log N)

Why is it important?

Multiscale problems

Image processing

Structures at different scales...

Interactions across scales

Accurate derivative solver

$$f(x) = \sum_{k} f(k) \exp(ikx)$$
$$\frac{d}{dx} f(x) = \sum_{k} [ikf(k)] \exp(ikx)$$

Magnetic field reversal

Geomagnetism

Glatzmaier & Roberts Nature, 1995

Polarity reversals after random time intervals (tens of millions of years to 50K years).

Last reversal took place around 780,000 years ago.

Complexity

Atmospheric simulation

1 km grid on Earth x 10 m along vertical

 $40000 \times 40000 \times 10000 = 64 \times 10^{12}$

Does not fit in a single machine.

PARALLEL programming

Parallel FFT

Parallel libraries

- FFTW
- P3DFFT
- FFTK
- PFFT
- Hybrid FFT
- GPU FFT

Slab decomposition

$f(x, y, z) = \sum_{k_x} \sum_{k_y} \sum_{k_z} \hat{f}(k_x, k_y, k_z) \exp[i(k_x x + k_y y + k_z z)]$

Divide the data among 4 procs



All_to_all communication



Transpose-free communication



12-15% faster compared to FFTW

Limitations

• For N³ grid, maximum number of processor = N

Pencil decomposition



Two sets of communications

But only among a set of processors

FFTW

- Slab decomposition
- Frigo and Johnson, MIT, ~1999
- C language
- Optimises for a given hardware

P3DFFT

- First pencil decomposition
- Dmitry Pekurovsk, San Diego Supercomputer Center (SDSC) ~1999
- Communication time ~ $p^{-2/3}$
- 8192³ grid, 65536 cores (SIAM, J. Sci Comput. 2012)
- Used for spectral codes of PK Yeung with 262114 cores.

PFFT

- Pencil
- Pippig
- 1024³ grid, 262144 cores (SIAM 2013)

GPU FFT

- DiGPUFFT, Czechowski et al. (ACM conference 2012)
- Takahashi, Japan

Hybrid FFT

- OpenMP+MPI
- Fortran
- Mininni et al. (Parallel Comput., 2011)
- 3072³ grid, 20000 cores with 6/12 threads.

FFTK

- FFT Kanpur
- Pencil-based
- Chatterjee, Verma, and group members of Kanpur
- Scaled up to 196608 cores of Shaheen II of KAUST for 3072³
- Tested up 6144³ grid.
- Fluid solver TARANG uses it.

Scaling of FFT pencil



$$T = c_1 D\left(\frac{1}{p^{\gamma_1}}\right) + c_2 D\left(\frac{1}{n^{\gamma_2}}\right) = C\left(\frac{1}{p^{\gamma}}\right)$$

On Shaheen 2 at KAUST with Anando Chatterjee, Abhishek Kumar, Ravi Samtaney, Bilel Hadri, Rooh Khurram

Cray XC40 ranked ~20th in top500

Chatterjee et al., JPDC 2018



Strong scaling



Weak scaling

Table 4

FFTK scaling on Cray XC40 for the FFF and SFF basis: The exponents γ_1 for the computation time (T_{comp}), γ_2 for the communication time (T_{comm}), and γ for the total time (T) [refer to Eq. (17) for definition]. Maximum cores used: 196608.

Grid	γı	72	Y
FFF			
768 ³ 1536 ³ 3072 ³	0.79 ± 0.14 0.93 ± 0.08 1.08 ± 0.03	0.43 ± 0.09 0.52 ± 0.04 0.60 ± 0.02	0.43 ± 0.09 0.55 ± 0.04 0.64 ± 0.02
SFF			
768 ³ 1536 ³ 3072 ³	0.82 ± 0.13 0.97 ± 0.07 0.99 ± 0.04	0.44 ± 0.03 0.63 ± 0.02 0.70 ± 0.05	0.46 ± 0.04 0.66 ± 0.01 0.73 ± 0.05

Table 5

FFTK on Cray XC40: Effective FLOP rating in Giga FLOP/s of Cray XC40 cores for various grid sizes and ppn. The efficiency *E* is the ratio of the effective per-core FLOP rating and the peak FLOP rating of each core (approximately 36 G FLOP/s).

Grid size	768 ³	1536 ³	3072 ³
GFlop/s	0.45	0.53	0.64
2	0.013	0.015	0.018

Blue Gene/P

communication time (T_{comm}), and γ for the total time (T) [refer to Eq. (1) nition]. The maximum nodes used is 16384 with 1ppn, 2ppn, and 4ppn.

ppn	2048 ³	4096 ³
1	1.00 ± 0.01	0.97 ± 0.01
2	1.00 ± 0.02	0.96 ± 0.01
4	1.00 ± 0.03	0.95 ± 0.03
1	0.7 ± 0.1	0.9 ± 0.1
2	0.7 ± 0.1	0.8 ± 0.2
4	0.7 ± 0.1	0.8 ± 0.2
1	0.87 ± 0.05	0.94 ± 0.05
2	0.81 ± 0.05	0.96 ± 0.09
4	0.76 ± 0.07	0.9 ± 0.1

Table 3

FFTK on Blue Gene/P: Effective FLOP rating in Giga FLOP/s of Blue Gene/P cores for various grid sizes and ppn. The efficiency *E* is the ratio of the effective per-core FLOP rating and the peak FLOP rating of each core (approximately 3.4 G FLOP/s).

Grid	ppn	Giga FLOP/s	2
2048 ³	1	0.38	0.11
	2	0.28	0.082
	4	0.17	0.050
4096 ³	1	0.36	0.11
	2	0.25	0.073
	4	0.14	0.041
8192 ³	1	0.36	0.11
	2	0.26	0.076
	4	0.15	0.044

Effective flop rating/core

Cray XC40 (~1.5 %)

BlueGene/P

(~10%)

Speed up

- Overlap communication and computation ?
- GPU ?
- Xeon Phi?
- Optimise communication

Node configuration



Adjacent nodes in comm: both along x & y

Anando Chatterjee, Samar Aseeri, David Keys

Spectral method



Set of ODEs

$$\frac{du_i(\mathbf{k})}{dt} = -jk_m \widehat{u_m(\mathbf{r})u_i(\mathbf{r})} - jk_i p(\mathbf{k}) - \nu k^2 u_i(\mathbf{k})$$



Tarang scaling

On Shaheen at KAUST





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