I Don't Care about BLAS

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From QC to DGEMM





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DGEMM Considered Harmful

- Tensors have to be **transposed** in order to use DGEMM.
- DGEMM needs dense matrices. If our tensors have structure (permutational symmetry, point group symmetry, sparsity, etc.) we have to expand or block them.
- Point group symmetry is efficiently handled with the Direct Product Decomposition (DPD), but we want to automate and optimize it.
- Blocking reduces the size of individual DGEMM calls. Can we aggregate these into more efficient operations?

DPD: Stanton, J.F.; Gauss, J.; Watts, J.D.; Bartlett, R.J. J. Chem. Phys. 1991, 94, 4334.

How Much Does Transpose Cost?

Speedup of NCC (new code) relative to MRCC:



$\mathsf{BLIS} \to \mathsf{TBLIS}$



Results for Dense Tensors



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Works Great on Xeon Phi Too



"Rank-k" MM and TC on Xeon Phi 7210



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Quasi-Sparse Tensor Contractions



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```
for k'
     pfor n'
        pfor m'
          if \exists A(m',k') \land
              \exists B(k',n') \land
              \exists C(m',n')
             contract(...)
          endif
        done
     done
   done
                                  Split communicator into c in & c out
                                  pfor n' over c out
                                    pfor m' over c out
                                       ks = \{\}
Use hierarchical
                                       for k'
dynamic+static parallelism
                                         if \exists A(m',k') \land
and aggregate blocks when
                                             \exists B(k',n') \land
                                             \exists C(m',n')
possible.
                                            append k' to ks
                                         endif
                                       done
                                       pcontract(ks,...) over c in
```

```
done
```

```
done
```

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Taking Advantage of Structure



Point Group Symmetry

Cost savings proportional to g^2 (g = number of irreducible representations/blocks).

Permutational Symmetry

Factorial cost savings for increasing dimensionality.

$$A_{ijk} = -A_{jik} = A_{jki} = -A_{kji} = -A_{ikj}$$
$$-A_{kji} = A_{kij} = -A_{ikj}$$
$$A_{i < j < k}$$



Taking Advantage of Structure



Speedup in computation of coupled cluster singles and doubles (CCSD) ground state energy when using TBLIS





Guanine-cytosine dimer (**GC**), no symmetry Krepl et al., J. Phys. Chem. B 2013, 117, 1872



2,4,-diphenylfuran (DPF), C_s symmetry



Summary

 Novel algorithms leveraging the BLIS methodology can significantly outperform DGEMM-based algorithms for tensor contraction.

 Breaking through the DGEMM barrier allows new algorithms to be implemented with high efficiency.

Thanks!



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