

Performance portable batched sparse linear solvers in Kokkos Kernels



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- Team batched GMRES;
 - Implementation;
 - Performances;
- Conclusions and future work.

Introduction: Batched Sparse Linear systems

Numerical strategies for solving PDE problems can lead to a large number of small similar linear systems to solve independently.

Example: a FE2 multiscale method requires a finite element computation for each Gauss point of the macroscopic scale mesh. Those systems share the same sparsity pattern and can be solved independently.

Need for a performance portable strategy to solve large numbers of relatively small sparse linear systems.



Batched size: N >> 1, Number of rows: $10 \le n \le 2000$.

Introduction: Kokkos and Kokkos Kernels

Kokkos:

- ► C++ performance portability library;
- Enables single source performance portable codes;
- Provides programming models for shared-memory parallelism;
- > Provides 3 levels of hierarchical parallelism: team level, thread level, vector level;
- Provides data abstractions for performance portability.

Kokkos Kernels:

- ▶ Targets the performance portable implementation of linear algebra kernels;
- Provides computational kernels which rely both on the Kokkos data abstractions and programming models;
- Provides interface to vendor kernel implementations.

Introduction: Kokkos views

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- An array of zero or more dimensions;
- Users can specify left (as in Fortran), right (as in C++), or stride layout;
- Views can be defined on the host or the device;
- Best layout for performance depends on the used shared-memory parallelism.



Introduction: Kokkos hierarchical parallelism

- A thread team is a collection of threads which can synchronize and which share a *scratch pad* memory;
- Instead of mapping a 1-D range of indices to hardware resources, Kokkos' thread teams map a 2-D index range (equivalent to 1-D grid of 1-D blocks in CUDA);
- The maximal number of teams is not architecture dependent, it is only limited by the integer size type;
- The maximal team size (# threads per team) is architecture dependent;
- ▶ The vector level needs to be vectorizable.

Kokkos	GPUs	CPUs
Team	Thread block	Work assigned to group of hyper threads
Kokkos thread	(full, half, quarter) Warp	Work assigned to a single thread
Vector lane	Threads within a warp	Vectorization units

Team-1					
Thread-1 Thread-2		Thre	a		
v1	v2	v3	v4	v5	

Team-2					
Thre	ad-3	Thread-4			
v5	v6	v7	v8		

Strategies for batched Krylov methods

Parallelize over individual problems:

- ▶ A particular team is associated with a unique system at a given time;
- Every system converges independently;
- Vectorization and coalesced memory read in the Sparse Matrix-Vector multiplication (SPMV) kernel are graph dependent.

Approach used by the Ginkgo team:

H. Anzt, A. Kashi, P. Nayak, et al. https://ginkgo-project.github.io.

Strategies for batched Krylov methods

Parallelize over subsets of problems (two existing approaches):

- ▶ A particular team is associated with a subset of systems at a given time;
- Reuse of common variables such as the sparsity pattern, more data parallelism, improved memory access pattern;
- First subset approach: Solving the coupled problems:
 - The matrices are gathered into one matrix, the Krylov method is then applied to the system;
 - The convergence depends on the union of the spectra of all the matrices; this can be worse than the worst convergence taken one by one.

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¹¹ Chosen batched strategy in Kokkos Kernels

First, a **team parallel loop** is used to loop **over subsets** of size m of the N matrices. Then, a team has to solve m systems simultaneously.



 $1 \leq m \leq 50.$

One team per color.

Software requirements:

- Krylov solvers at the team level which deal with possible occurrences of code divergence (as discussed in the case of the ensemble propagation in Liegeois (2020));
- Performance portable batched Level 1 and 2 BLAS functions (AXPY, DOT, COPY, SPMV, and GEMV) at the team level.
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Liegeois, K. et al. "GMRES with embedded ensemble propagation for the efficient solution of parametric linear systems in uncertainty quantification of computational models." Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering 369 (2020): 113188.

¹² Performance portable batched SPMV at the team level

To illustrate the last software requirement, we discuss the case of the batched Sparse Matrix-Vector multiplication (SPMV):

$$\mathbf{y}_{\ell:} = lpha_{\ell} \, \mathbf{A}_{\ell::} \, \mathbf{x}_{\ell:} + eta_{\ell} \, \mathbf{y}_{\ell:}$$
 for all $\ell = 1, \dots, m$.

Targeted properties:

- To achieve maximum hardware occupancy,
- To have good memory access patterns such as a high percentage of coalesced memory read on GPU,
- > To have good performance independently of views layout,
- To have a balanced workload amongst teams and threads,
- ► To avoid unnecessary reduction and memory synchronization.

13 Team batched SPMV

- > *nm* independent products between $a_{\ell j:}$ and $x_{\ell:}$,
- ▶ TeamVector loop over the *nm* indices to distribute evenly the work,
- The mapping of the index of the loop to the row fiber depends on the layout to enforce as much coalesced memory loads as possible



Layout left Layout right

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```
Kokkos::parallel_for(
  Kokkos::TeamVectorRange(member, 0, m * n),
    [&](const int& i) {
    int j, k;
    getIndices<layout>(i, n, m, j, k);
    const int rowLength = row_ptr(j + 1) - row_ptr(j);
    ValueType sum = 0;
    for (int l = 0; l < rowLength; ++1)
      sum += values(k, row_ptr(j) + 1) *
              X(k , colIndices(row_ptr(j) + 1));
    sum \star = alpha(k);
   Y(k, j) = beta(k) * Y(k, j) + sum;
  });
```

where:



- At the vector level, every i (and therefore the pair (j, k)) is associated with only one vector lane.
- No reduction nor memory synchronization are needed.

Base implementation: for comparison purpose 15





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- ► A for loop over the matrices within the team.
- A thread parallel for over the rows.
- ► A vector parallel reduce over the non-zeros.

¹⁶ Team batched SPMV: performance



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17 Team batched GMRES

- Uses batched BLAS kernels: SPMV, AXPY, DOT, COPY, and GEMV,
- Continues the GMRES while the *m* systems have not converged,
- Stops the update of converged system to avoid underflow,
- Evaluated on devices without communication with the host.

```
for (size_t j = 0; j < maximum_iteration; ++j)</pre>
  A.apply(member, subview(V, ALL, j, ALL), W);
  member.team_barrier();
  P.apply(member, W, W);
  for (size t i = 0; i < j + 1; ++i) {
    member.team barrier();
    auto V_i = subview(V, ALL, i, ALL);
    TeamVectorDot<MemberType>::invoke
      (member, W, V_i, tmp);
    member.team barrier();
    TeamVectorCopv1D::invoke
      (member, tmp, subview(H, ALL, i, j));
    member.team_barrier();
    parallel for (
        TeamVectorRange(member, 0, m),
        [&] (const OrdinalType& ii) {
          tmp(ii) = -tmp(ii);
        });
    member.team barrier();
    TeamVectorAxpy<MemberType>::invoke
      (member, tmp, V_i, W);
    11 . . .
```

¹⁸ Batched GMRES performance: Impact of the grouping

- > The grouping of the systems into subsets influences the measured performance,
- Best to group systems that need the same number of iterations to converge; but those numbers are unknown a priori,
- Two tested ordering for the systems: the unsorted and the sorted orders.



¹⁹ Batched GMRES performance: Pele gri30 matrices



Left unsorted Right unsorted Left sorted Right sorted Ginkgo

Gri30 matrices:

▶ *n* = 54,

87.79% dense,

 the GMRES converges in up to 7 iterations.

Batched GMRES performance: Pele isooctane matrices

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Left unsorted
 Right unsorted
 Left sorted
 Right sorted
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Isooctane matrices:

n = 144,

29.59% dense,

 the GMRES converges in up to 17 iterations.

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Conclusions:

- ▶ We discussed main strategies for a performance portable batched sparse linear solver;
- ▶ We discussed the implementation of a batched SPMV and its performance;
- We briefly illustrate how kernels can be combined at the team level to write an efficient solver;
- ▶ We briefly illustrate the performance of the batched GMRES on four different architectures and the impact of the grouping.

Future work:

- Investigate the performance on CPU architectures (especially the left layout);
- Evaluate the performance of the batched GMRES compared to the performance of batched dense solvers;
- > Evaluate the performance of the discussed kernels and solvers on other architectures;
- Evaluate the performance on larger application matrices;
- Develop other batched linear solvers.

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