





Utilizing batched solver ideas for efficient solution of non-batched linear systems

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Outline

- Motivation
- Design philosophy and choices
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What are batched methods ?

- Batching: <u>Independent</u> computations that can be <u>scheduled in parallel</u>.
- Are highly suitable for GPUs and processors with many parallel computing units.
- Can maximize utilization of the GPU, due to excellent scalability.





What are batched methods ?

- Related work:
 - Usage in block-Jacobi preconditioners (Anzt. et.al PMAM 17)
 - Dense triangular solves on GPUs, DGETRF (Dong et.al 2014)
 - Tri-/Penta- diagonal solvers on GPUs (Carroll et.al 2021, Gloster et.al 2019, Valero-Lara et.al 2018)
 - Batched BLAS interface (Dongarra et.al 2016)



Ginkgo's batched interface: Design

Design philosophy:

- <u>Template</u> the global solver apply kernel on logger, stopping criterion, matrix format and preconditioner type.
- <u>Auto-configure shared memory</u> based on problem size.
- Solve one linear system on one thread block.

Functionality:

- Sparse matrix formats: BatchCsr and BatchEll
- Iterative solvers: BatchBicgstab, BatchGmres, BatchCg, BatchIdr and BatchRichardson
- Preconditioners:

BatchBlockJacobi, BatchILU, BatchISAI, BatchParILU



Multi-level dispatch mechanism

- Single device kernel call, but selection of different parameters through a multi-level dispatch.
- Allows for optimal use of caches and compute resources without launch overheads.





Automatic shared memory config

- Red objects: Intermediate vectors in SpMV: High priority
- Blue objects: Other vectors: Low priority
- Green objects: Constant matrices or vectors (In constant cache)

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oldsymbol{r} \leftarrow b - Aoldsymbol{x}, oldsymbol{z} \leftarrow Moldsymbol{r}, oldsymbol{p} \leftarrow oldsymbol{z}, oldsymbol{t} \leftarrow 0
\rho \leftarrow \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{z}, \alpha \leftarrow 1, \hat{\rho} \leftarrow 1
for i < N_{iter} do
         if |\rho| < \tau then
                   break
         end if
         t \leftarrow Ap
         \alpha \leftarrow \frac{\rho}{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{t}}
         \boldsymbol{x} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{x} + \alpha \boldsymbol{p}
         r \leftarrow r - \alpha t
         z \leftarrow \text{PRECOND}(r)
         \hat{\rho} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{r} \cdot \boldsymbol{z}
        oldsymbol{p} \leftarrow oldsymbol{z} + rac{\hat{
ho}}{o} \cdot oldsymbol{p}
         \rho \leftarrow \hat{\rho}
end for
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Ginkgo's batched v/s monolithic solvers

Batched

- <u>Single</u> kernel for solver apply
- <u>Maximize</u> utilization of shared memory across operations.
- Utilize one thread block for solve, judicious use of resources

Monolithic

- One kernel for each operation, SpMV, etc.
- Shared memory can be used within each operation only.
- Utilize full GPU



Hardware characteristics

Architecture	FLOP/s FP64	BW	L1 per CU	L2 per CU	# of SMs	Compiler Environment
	[TFlops]	(GB/s)	[KB]	[MB]		
NVIDIA A100-40GB (Ampere)	9.7	1555	192	40	108	gcc-8.5 + CUDA-11.4
NVIDIA V100-16GB (Volta)	7.8	990	128	6	80	gcc-7.5 + CUDA-11.3
AMD MI250X-64GB (1 GCD)	25.9	1600	16+64	8	112	Clang-14 + ROCM-5.1
AMD MI100-32GB (CDNA)	11.5	1230	16+64	8	120	gcc-8.5 + ROCM-4.5
AMD EPYC-7032 (Rome)	1.5	208	64	16	32	gcc-8.5 + OpenMP 4.5
Intel Xeon Platinum (Ice Lake)	2.9	1000	64	38	38	gcc-8.5 + OpenMP 4.5



Experiments

- A 3-pt Laplacian problem for studying scaling behaviour.
- Wide variety of matrices from the Suitesparse matrix collection.
- On 2 different AMD architectures (with ROCm), 2 NVIDIA architectures(with CUDA), and 2 CPUs (with OpenMP).



The Laplacian problem





Suitesparse matrices





Speedup





Speedup

- Batched solver with single level of parallelism can outperform monolithic solver for small problems.
- Speedups of around 10x, in particular very effective for large cache architectures such as CPUs.



Summary

- Batched solver ideas can greatly help improve efficiency of monolithic solvers.
 - Utilization of caches across distinct operations crucial.
- Judicious use of resources can benefit overall application, especially when combining batched solver ideas with streams and queues.



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