



ParILUT – A New Parallel Threshold ILU

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 $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ lower (unit-) triangular, sparse.

 $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ upper triangular, sparse.

$$L_{ij} = U_{ij} = 0 \ \forall (i,j) \notin \mathcal{S}.$$
$$R = L - U, \ R_{ij} = 0 \ \forall (i,j) \in \mathcal{S}.$$



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- Fill-in in threshold ILU (ILUT) bases S on the significance of elements (e.g. magnitude).
 - Often better preconditioners than level-based ILU.
 - Difficult to parallelize.



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- Use a parallel iterative process to generate factors.
- The preconditioner should have a moderate number of nonzero elements, but we don't care too much about intermediate data.
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• Converges in the asymptotic sense towards incomplete factors L, Usuch that $R = A - L \cdot U = 0|_{S}$

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- We may not need high accuracy here, because we may change the pattern again...
- One single fixed-point sweep.

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- Comparing sparsity patterns extremely difficult.
- Maybe use the ILU residual as convergence check.





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with nonzero ILU

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approximates

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Fixed-point sweep incomplete factors.

At some point we should remove some locations again, e.g. the smallest elements, and start over looking at locations $R = A - L_k \cdot U_k$...

Remove smallest

elements from

incomplete factors.

Select a threshold

separating smallest

elements.

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Interleaving fixed-point sweeps approximating values Identify locations with nonzero ILU with pattern-changing symbolic routines. residual. **Compute ILU** Fixed-point sweep residual & check 0 approximates ୖ୰ୢୣୢ incomplete factors. convergence. 8 000 $^{\circ}$ 9 ° 0 **ParILUT cycle** 0 0 **Remove smallest** Add locations to elements from sparsity pattern of incomplete factors. incomplete factors. Select a threshold Fixed-point sweep separating smallest approximates elements. incomplete factors.



ParILUT : Parallelism inside the blocks

Parallelism inside the blocks: Fixed-point sweeps



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Compute ILU residual & check convergence.

Fixed-point sweeps approximate values in ILU factors and residual¹:

- Inherently parallel operation.
- Elements can be updated asynchronously.
- We can expect 100% parallel efficiency if number of cores < number of elements
- Residual norm is a global reduction.



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bilinear fixed-point iteration can be parallelized by elements

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Parallelism inside the blocks: Candidate search



with nonzero ILU residual.

Identify locations that are symbolically nonzero:

- Combination of sparse matrix product and sparse matrix sums.
- Building blocks available in SparseBLAS.
- Blocks can be combined into one kernel for higher (memory) efficiency.
- Kernel can be parallelized by rows.
- Cost heavily dependent on sparsity pattern.
- *Kernel performance bound by memory bandwidth.*

$$S^* = (S(A) \cup S(L \cdot U)) \setminus S(L + U)$$

sparse matrix product
sparse matrix sum

Identify locations

Parallelism inside the blocks: Selecting thresholds

A threshold separating the smallest elements is needed for removing insignificant locations and keeping sparsity.

- Standard approach: sort / selection algorithms
 - High computational cost
 - Memory-intensive
 - Hard to parallelize
- Thresholds do not need to be exact:
 - Inaccurate thresholds result in a few additional / less elements.
 - We can use sampling to get reasonable approximations.
 - Multiple sampling-based selection runs allow to generate thresholds of reasonable quality in parallel.
- Is this appropriate for many-core architectures with 5K threads executing simultaneously?



Select a threshold separating smallest elements.

Threshold selection on parallel architectures

Selection algorithms traditionally based on re-arranging elements in memory.

- SelectionSort ($\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ comparisons, $\mathcal{O}(n)$ element swaps)
- QuickSelect (average $\mathcal{O}(n)$ comparisons, $\mathcal{O}(n)$ element swaps)
- Floyd-Rivest algorithm $(n + min(k, n k) + O(\sqrt{n}))$
- IntroSelect (worst case $\mathcal{O}(n)$ comparisons, $\mathcal{O}(n)$ element swaps)





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- Compute power (#FLOPs) grows much faster than memory bandwidth.
- Data-rearranging selection algorithms become inefficient.

"Operations are free, memory access is what counts."

Threshold selection on parallel architectures: StreamSelect

Rethink the overall strategy!

- Primary goal: reduce the memory traffic.
- Account for high core counts, each having a set of registers.
- Assume "nice" distribution of values (~uniform).
- Accept some inaccuracy in the generated threshold (approximation).
 - 1. Find the largest and smallest elements to get the data range.
 - 2. Generate a *fine grid of thresholds, distribute* them to the cores.
 - 3. Stream all data one single time.
 - 4. Each core handles a set of thresholds and counts how many elements are larger/smaller.
 - 5. Select the threshold with the element count closest to the target value.



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Run 5120 threads (bind to cores) each a few thresholds:



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Set size m, subset size n*

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Deviation

For uniform distribution: quality ~ mesh granularity.

Runtime increases linear with set size.



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Thresholds per thread

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Strong dependency – we can not start before finished. Weak dependency – if we start before: +/- few nonzeros.



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Excellent candidate for hybrid hardware? Asynchronous execution?

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Slides available:



Next steps:

- Hybrid ParILUT version utilizing GPU and CPU, overlapping communication & computation.
- Asynchronous version relaxing dependencies.
- Use a different sparsity-pattern generator:
 - Randomized?
 - Machine learning techniques?
- Increasing fill-in towards "full" factorization.
- ParILUT routines available in MAGMA-sparse they will be in Ginkgo!

This research is in cooperation with Edmond Chow (GaTech) and Jack Dongarra (University of Tennessee).



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thermal2 matrix from SuiteSparse, RCM ordering, 8 el/row.

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- Transposition and sort are the bottlenecks.
- Overall speedup ~35x when using 68 KNL cores.

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Performance

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Runtime of 5 ParILUT / ParICT steps and speedup over SuperLU ILUT*.

Matrix	Origin	Rows	Nonzeros Ratio		SuperLU	ParlLUT		ParlCT		
ani7	2D Anisotropic Diffusion	203,841	1,407,811	6.91	10.48 s	0.45 s	23.34	0.30 s	35.16	
apache2	Suite Sparse Matrix Collect.	715,176	4,817,870	6.74	62.27 s	1.24 s	50.22	0.65 s	0.65 s 95.37	
cage11	Suite Sparse Matrix Collect.	39,082	559,722	14.32	60.89 s	0.54 s	112.56			
jacobianMat9	Fun3D Fluid Flow Problem	90,708	5,047,042	55.64	153.84 s	7.26 s	21.19			
thermal2	Thermal Problem (Suite Sp.)	1,228,045	8,580,313	6.99	91.83 s	1.23 s	74.66	0.68 s	134.25	
tmt_sym	Suite Sparse Matrix Collect.	726,713	5,080,961	6.97	53.42 s	0.70 s	76.21	0.41 s	131.25	
topopt120	Geometry Optimization	132,300	8,802,544	66.53	44.22 s	14.40 s	3.07	8.24 s	5.37	
torso2	Suite Sparse Matrix Collect.	115,967	1,033,473	8.91	10.78 s	0.27 s	39.92			
venkat01	Suite Sparse Matrix Collect.	62,424	1,717,792	27.52	8.53 s	0.74 s	11.54			

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- Pattern stagnates after few sweeps.
- Pattern "more like" ILUT than ILU(0).

Test matrices



Matrix	Origin	SPD	Num. Rows	Nz	Nz/Row
ANI5	2D anisotropic diffusion	yes	$12,\!561$	86,227	6.86
ANI6	2D anisotropic diffusion	yes	50,721	$349,\!603$	6.89
ANI7	2D anisotropic diffusion	yes	$203,\!841$	$1,\!407,\!811$	6.91
APACHE1	Suite Sparse [10]	yes	$80,\!800$	$542,\!184$	6.71
APACHE2	Suite Sparse	yes	$715,\!176$	$4,\!817,\!870$	6.74
CAGE10	Suite Sparse	no	$11,\!397$	$150,\!645$	13.22
CAGE11	Suite Sparse	no	$39,\!082$	559,722	14.32
JACOBIANMATO	Fun3D fluid flow [20]	no	90,708	$5,\!047,\!017$	55.64
JACOBIANMAT9	Fun3D fluid flow	no	90,708	$5,\!047,\!042$	55.64
MAJORBASIS	Suite Sparse	no	$160,\!000$	1,750,416	10.94
topopt010	Geometry optimization [24]	yes	$132,\!300$	$8,\!802,\!544$	66.53
topopt060	Geometry optimization	yes	$132,\!300$	$7,\!824,\!817$	59.14
topopt120	Geometry optimization	yes	$132,\!300$	$7,\!834,\!644$	59.22
THERMAL1	Suite Sparse	yes	$82,\!654$	$574,\!458$	6.95
THERMAL2	Suite Sparse	yes	$1,\!228,\!045$	$8,\!580,\!313$	6.99
THERMOMECH_TC	Suite Sparse	yes	$102,\!158$	$711,\!558$	6.97
THERMOMECH_DM	Suite Sparse	yes	$204,\!316$	$1,\!423,\!116$	6.97
TMT_SYM	Suite Sparse	yes	726,713	$5,\!080,\!961$	6.99
TORSO2	Suite Sparse	no	$115,\!967$	$1,\!033,\!473$	8.91
venkat01	Suite Sparse	no	$62,\!424$	$1,\!717,\!792$	27.52



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Matrix	no prec.	ILU(0)	ILUT	0	1	2	3	4	5
ANI5	882	172	78	278	161	105	84	74	66
ani6	1,751	391	127	547	315	211	168	143	131
ANI7	$3,\!499$	828	290	1,083	641	459	370	318	289
CAGE10	20	8	8	9	7	8	8	8	8
CAGE11	21	9	8	9	7	7	7	7	7
JACOBIANMATO	315	40	34	63	36	33	33	33	33
JACOBIANMAT9	539	66	65	110	60	55	54	53	53
MAJORBASIS	95	15	9	26	12	11	11	11	11
topopt010	$2,\!399$	565	303	835	492	375	348	340	339
topopt060	$2,\!852$	666	397	963	584	445	417	412	410
topopt120	2,765	668	396	959	584	445	416	408	408
TORSO2	46	10	7	18	8	6	7	7	7
venkat01	195	22	17	42	18	17	17	17	17

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ANI5	951	226	_	297	184	136	108	93	86
ANI6	$1,\!926$	621	—	595	374	275	219	181	172
ANI7	$3,\!895$	$1,\!469$	—	$1,\!199$	753	559	455	405	377
APACHE1	3,727	368	331	$1,\!480$	933	517	321	323	323
APACHE2	$4,\!574$	$1,\!150$	785	$1,\!890$	$1,\!197$	799	766	760	754
THERMAL1	$1,\!640$	453	412	626	447	409	389	385	383
THERMAL2	$6,\!253$	1,729	$1,\!604$	$2,\!372$	$1,\!674$	$1,\!503$	$1,\!457$	$1,\!472$	$1,\!433$
THERMOMECH_DM	21	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	7
THERMOMECH_TC	21	8	7	8	7	7	7	7	7
TMT_SYM	$5,\!481$	$1,\!453$	$1,\!185$	$1,\!963$	$1,\!234$	$1,\!071$	$1,\!012$	992	$1,\!004$
topopt010	$2,\!613$	692	331	845	551	402	342	316	313
topopt060	$3,\!123$	871	—	988	749	693	$1,\!116$	_	_
topopt 120	3,062	886	_	991	837	784	$2,\!185$	_	_



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$$z_{k+1} = Mr_{k+1}$$

$$M^{-1}z_{k+1} = r_{k+1}$$

$$L\underbrace{Uz_{k+1}}_{=:y} = r_{k+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow Ly = r_{k+1}, \quad Uz_{k+1} = y$$