

# Performance Comparison of Accurate Matrix Multiplication

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# Introduction

This talk is concerned with accurate matrix multiplication for floating-point matrices.

Floating-point numbers as defined by IEEE 754 has finite information,

- 24 significand bits for binary32
- 53 significand bits for binary64

Therefore, rounding error may occur in each arithmetic operation.

# Notation

- $\mathbb{F}$ : the set of floating-point numbers.
- $A \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times n}, B \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times p}$ , we compute the matrix multiplication  $AB$ .
- $\text{fl}(\dots)$  means that an expression is evaluated by fl-pt arithmetic.
- $\mathbf{u}$ : unit roundoff (binary64:  $\mathbf{u} = 2^{-53}$ )

For  $\text{fl}(\dots)$ , we assume that neither overflow nor underflow occur.

# Introduction

Matrix multiplication consists of dot products:

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj}.$$

For example,

$$a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} + a_{13}b_{31} + \cdots + a_{1n}b_{n1}.$$

Maximally, rounding errors occur  $2n - 1$  times.

# Introduction

In the worst case, the computed result is inaccurate due to accumulation of rounding errors. From an a priori error analysis, we have the following error bound

$$|\text{fl}(AB) - AB| \leq \frac{n\text{u}}{1 - n\text{u}} |A||B|,$$

namely

$$\frac{|\text{fl}(AB) - AB|_{ij}}{|AB|_{ij}} \leq \frac{n\text{u}}{1 - n\text{u}} \frac{(|A||B|)_{ij}}{|AB|_{ij}}.$$

# Introduction

We develop a new and accurate algorithm for matrix multiplication.

An error bound for a computed result by our algorithm satisfies

$$|AB - \tilde{C}| \leq \mathbf{u}|AB|.$$

Overview of our algorithm is

Error-Free Transformation of Matrix Multiplication

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Accurate Summation Algorithm

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# Naive Approach

We apply Veltkamp-Dekker's error-free transformation of a product of floating-point number. For  $a, b, x, y \in \mathbb{F}$ , their algorithm transforms

$$a * b = x + y, \quad x = \text{fl}(a * b), \quad \mathbf{u}|x| \geq |y|.$$

It requires 17 floating-point operations.

## Naive Approach

Applying error-free transformation by Veltkamp and Dekker,

$$(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}b_{kj} = a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \cdots + a_{in}b_{nj} = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} v_k.$$

S.M.Rump, T. Ogita, S. Oishi:

Accurate floating-point summation part II: Sign, K-fold faithful and  
**rounding to nearest**. Siam J. Sci. Comput., 31(2):1269-1302, 2008.

Then

$$|AB - \tilde{C}| \leq \mathbf{u}|AB|.$$

# Accurate Matrix Multiplication

We introduce the error-free transformation of the matrix product. Both  $A$  and  $B$  are divided into an unevaluated sum of  $k$  and  $l$  floating-point matrices, respectively, i.e.

$$A = A^{(1)} + A^{(2)} + \cdots + A^{(k)}, \quad B = B^{(1)} + B^{(2)} + \cdots + B^{(l)}$$

and for all  $k$  and  $l$

$$A^{(k)} \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times n}, \quad B^{(l)} \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times p}, \quad \text{fl}(A^{(k)}B^{(l)}) = A^{(k)}B^{(l)}.$$

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q = size(A, 2);
k = 1;
β = fl(⌈(− log2(u) + log 2(q))/2⌉);
A(i) = zeros(size(A));
while (norm(A, inf) ~ 0)
    μ = max(abs(A), [], 2); % μ(i) = max1 ≤ j ≤ q aij
    if (max(μ) == 0), return; end
    w = fl(2.^ceil(log 2(μ)) + β));
    S = repmat(w, 1, q); % w · eT
    A(k) = fl((A + S) − S);
    A = fl(A − A(k));
    k = k + 1;
end
```

# Accurate Matrix Multiplication

Expanding the expression,

$$AB = (A^{(1)} + A^{(2)} + \cdots + A^{(k)})(B^{(1)} + B^{(2)} + \cdots + B^{(l)}),$$

$AB$  is transformed into

$$AB = \sum_{i=1}^{kl} C^{(i)}, \quad C \in \mathbb{F}^{m \times p}.$$

By using Rump-Ogita-Oishi's NearSum algorithm,

$$|AB - \tilde{C}| \leq \mathbf{u}|AB|.$$

# Advantage and Disadvantage

Advantage: Dependence of High Performance Library

Disadvantage: **Memory Consumption.**

K. Ozaki, T. Ogita, S. Oishi, S. M. Rump: Error-Free Transformation of Matrix Multiplication by Using Fast Routines of Matrix Multiplication and its Applications, Numerical Algorithms, Vol. 59:1 (2012), pp. 95-118.

# Memory Reduced Implementation

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \text{C} & \\ \hline \text{A} & \end{array} = \begin{array}{c|c} \text{B} & \\ \hline \text{B} & \end{array}$$

Assume that  $A, B \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$  ( $n$  is even), and we use MATLAB notation.

$$C(1 : n/2, 1 : n/2) = A(1 : n/2, :) * B(:, 1 : n/2)$$

# Memory Reduced Implementation

$$\begin{matrix} & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \end{matrix} * \begin{matrix} & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \\ \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} & \boxed{\phantom{0}} \\ & & & \end{matrix}$$

$C$                      $A$                      $B$

We call this method Type 1.

# Memory Reduced Implementation

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k : the number of blocks  
accmul : usual accurate matrix multiplication  
 $d = n/k;$   
for  $i = 1 : k$   
    for  $j = 1 : k$   
         $C((i - 1)d + 1 : i * d, (j - 1)d + 1 : j * d) =$   
        accmul( $A((i - 1)d + 1 : i * d, :) *$   
                 $B(:, (j - 1)d + 1 : j * d))$ ;  
    end  
end
```

# Memory Reduced Implementation

Table 1: Comparison of FLOPS (Core i7-2620M, 2.66GHz, 2 cores).

$A$	$B$	FLOPS
$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 1200}$	$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 1200}$	<b>36.83</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{600 \times 1200}$	$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 600}$	<b>32.85</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{300 \times 1200}$	$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 300}$	<b>30.10</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 2400}$	$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 2400}$	<b>40.24</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 2400}$	$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 1200}$	<b>37.98</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{600 \times 2400}$	$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 600}$	<b>33.17</b>

# Memory Reduced Implementation

Table 2: Comparison of FLOPS (Core i7-2620M, 2.66GHz, 2 cores).

$A$	$B$	FLOPS
$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 4800}$	$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 4800}$	<b>33.36</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 4800}$	$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 2400}$	<b>36.72</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 4800}$	$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 1200}$	<b>36.20</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{9600 \times 9600}$	$\mathbb{F}^{9600 \times 9600}$	<b>39.72</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 9600}$	$\mathbb{F}^{9600 \times 4800}$	<b>42.02</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 9600}$	$\mathbb{F}^{9600 \times 2400}$	<b>41.86</b>

# Memory Reduced Implementation

Table 3: Comparison of FLOPS (Xeon X5550, 2.67GHz, 2 CPU, 8 cores).

$A$	$B$	FLOPS
$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 1200}$	$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 1200}$	62.2
$\mathbb{F}^{600 \times 1200}$	$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 600}$	48.2
$\mathbb{F}^{300 \times 1200}$	$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 300}$	32.3
$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 2400}$	$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 2400}$	75.1
$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 2400}$	$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 1200}$	70.7
$\mathbb{F}^{600 \times 2400}$	$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 600}$	66.5

# Memory Reduced Implementation

Table 4: Comparison of FLOPS (Xeon X5550, 2.67GHz, 2 CPU, 8 cores).

$A$	$B$	FLOPS
$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 4800}$	$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 4800}$	<b>77.4</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 4800}$	$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 2400}$	<b>77.4</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{1200 \times 4800}$	$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 1200}$	<b>74.1</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{9600 \times 9600}$	$\mathbb{F}^{9600 \times 9600}$	<b>77.4</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{4800 \times 9600}$	$\mathbb{F}^{9600 \times 4800}$	<b>75.1</b>
$\mathbb{F}^{2400 \times 9600}$	$\mathbb{F}^{9600 \times 2400}$	<b>77.7</b>

# Memory Reduced Implementation

Next, we consider an another way (Type 2).

$$A^{(1)} + \underline{A}^{(2)}, \quad B^{(1)} + \underline{B}^{(2)} \implies A^{(1)}B^{(1)}$$

$$A^{(1)} + \underline{A}^{(2)}, \quad B^{(1)} + B^{(2)} + \underline{B}^{(3)} \implies A^{(1)}B^{(2)}$$

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$$A^{(1)} + A^{(2)} + \underline{A}^{(3)}, \quad B^{(1)} + \underline{B}^{(2)} \implies A^{(2)}B^{(1)}$$

$$A^{(1)} + A^{(2)} + \underline{A}^{(3)}, \quad B^{(1)} + B^{(2)} + \underline{B}^{(3)} \implies A^{(2)}B^{(2)}$$

Let  $\mu$  be space for  $n$ -by- $n$  matrix. Pure implementation requires

$$(n_A + n_B + n_A n_B)\mu.$$

Type 1 with  $k$  blocks requires

$$(n_A + n_B)\mu/k + n_A n_B \mu/k^2$$

Type 2 requires

$$4\mu + n_A n_B \mu$$

Combination fo Type 1 and Type 2 requires

$$4\mu/k + n_A n_B \mu/k^2.$$

# Memory Reduced Implementation

Let  $A(1 : n/2, :)$  be  $A_1$ .

If  $A$  is divided into

$$A = A^{(1)} + A^{(2)} + A^{(3)} + A^{(4)}.$$

The following may happen:

$$A_1 = A_1^{(1)} + A_1^{(2)} + A_1^{(3)}.$$

The number of matrix products may be reduced by block computations.

# Numerical Results

We compare computing times for

- M1: Naive Approach for rounding to nearest.
- M2 ( $k = 1$ ): EFT + rounding to nearest
- M2 ( $k > 1$ ): EFT + rounding to nearest with block computations

Computational environments:

Core i7-2620M, MATLAB2011b, Intel C++ Compiler 12.0.

# Numerical Results

Table 5: Comparison of computing times and ratio.

Method \ $n$	1200	2400	4800
M1	15.8 (131.3)	136.1 (194.4)	1362 (203.6)
M2 ( $k=1$ )	1.58 (13.1)	17.0 (24.3)	132.0 (19.7)
M2 ( $k=2$ )	1.76 (14.6)	17.8 (25.5)	132.9 (19.8)
M2 ( $k=3$ )	1.76 (14.6)	18.4 (26.4)	135.0 (20.1)
M2 ( $k=4$ )	1.74 (14.3)	19.2 (27.4)	139.7 (20.8)
M2 ( $k=5$ )	1.80 (14.9)	19.8 (28.3)	142.0 (21.2)

$A$  and  $B$  are generated as `randn( $n$ )`.

# Numerical Results

Table 6: Comparison of ratio with various  $\phi$  ( $n = 1200$ ).

Method \ $\phi$	0	1	4	7	10
M1	149.6	146.7	134.7	143.3	81.1
M2 (k=1)	16.1	17.2	29.7	46.0	42.1
M2 (k=2)	17.5	19.7	31.3	49.8	43.8
M2 (k=4)	17.7	18.7	30.9	57.5	47.4

$A$  and  $B$  are generated as  $(\text{rand}(n) - 0.5) * \exp(\phi * \text{randn}(n))$ .  
If  $\phi$  is large, there is big difference in the order of magnitude .

# Numerical Results

Table 7: Comparison of ratio with various  $\phi$  ( $n = 2400$ ).

Method \ $\phi$	0	1	4	7	10
M1	171.1	170.3	174.4	171.3	169.0
M2 (k=1)	16.2	19.3	34.3	54.9	84.2
M2 (k=2)	16.9	18.5	35.5	55.4	85.1
M2 (k=4)	17.6	19.6	39.6	61.0	92.3

$A$  and  $B$  are generated as  $(\text{rand}(n) - 0.5) * \exp(\phi * \text{randn}(n))$ .  
If  $\phi$  is large, there is big difference in the order of magnitude .

# Numerical Results

Table 8: Comparison of ratio with various  $\phi$  ( $n = 4800$ ).

Method \ $\phi$	0	1	4	7	10
M1	204.5	170.3	204.7	203.8	205.9
M2 (k=1)	15.3	18.7	32.6	70.1	169.3
M2 (k=2)	15.6	19.2	33.3	59.4	89.4
M2 (k=4)	16.2	19.9	34.2	61.6	92.7

$A$  and  $B$  are generated as  $(\text{rand}(n) - 0.5) * \exp(\phi * \text{randn}(n))$ .  
If  $\phi$  is large, there is big difference in the order of magnitude .

# Conclusion

- EFT of matrix multiplication efficiently helps accurate computing in terms of computational performance
- Block computations reduce the amount of working memory.
- Block computations don't significantly slow computational performance down (sometimes work faster than original one).

Thank you very much for your kind attention!