MATEDOR SCOPE

The MAtrix, TEnsor, and Deep-learning Optimized Routines (MATEDOR) project provides software technologies and standard APIs, along with a sustainable and portable library for large-scale computations whose individual components rely on very small matrix or tensor computations. The main target is the acceleration of applications from important fields that fit this profile, including deep learning, data mining, astrophysics, image and signal processing, hydrodynamics, and more.

Standard Interface for Batched Routines

Working closely with interested application developers, we defined modular, language agnostic interfaces that can be implemented so as to work seamlessly with the compiler and be optimizable using techniques such as code replacement and inlining. This provides the application developers, compilers, and runtime systems with the option of launching batched workloads using a single call according to the standard interface. This would allow the entire linear algebra (LA) community to collectively address a wide range of small matrix or tensor problems. Success in such an effort was possible through innovations in the interface design, computational and numerical optimizations, as well as packaging and deployment at the user end to trigger final stages of tuning at the moment of execution.

Sustainable and Performance-Portable Software Library

We demonstrated the power of the MATEDOR interface by delivering a high-performance numerical library for batched LA subroutines autotuned for the modern processor architecture and system designs. The MATEDOR library includes LAPACK routine equivalents for many small dense problems, tensor, and application-specific operations (e.g., for deep-learning). These routines are constructed as much as possible out of calls to batched BLAS routines and their LAPACK routine equivalents for many small dense problems, tensor, and application-specific operations (e.g., for deep-learning). These routines are constructed as much as possible out of calls to batched BLAS routines and their LAPACK routine equivalents for many small dense problems, tensor, and application-specific operations (e.g., for deep-learning).

Enabling Technologies

MATEDOR develops enabling technologies for very small matrix and tensor computations, including (1) autotuning, (2) code generation, and (3) algorithmic variants. We define the success of the research conducted and the software developed under the MATEDOR project as being able to automate these four aspects to allow for both flexibility and close-to-optimal performance of the final code that gets used by the domain scientist.

Standard APIs (for Batched BLAS and LAPACK):

Proposed API is very similar to the standard BLAS/LAPACK API:

```c
void blas_dgemm_batched(
    blas_trans_t transA, blas_trans_t transB,
    const blas_int_t m, const blas_int_t n, const blas_int_t k,
    double alpha,
    double const * da_array, blas_int_t ldaa,
    double const * db_array, blas_int_t ldbb,
    double beta,
    double **dc_array, blas_int_t lddc,
    blas_int_t batchCount, blas_int_t *info );
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Community Effort and Activities Towards Standardization

Batched BLAS Symposium @ SIAM PP 2018
Batched BLAS Symposium @ SIAM CSE 2019
Batched BLAS Workshop 2017 @ Georgia Tech
Batched BLAS BoF 2017 @ SC17
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Broader Impact

MATEDOR is application motivated and designed to impact application areas from deep-learning, to data mining, metabolic networks, CFD, solvers, image and signal processing, and others that need small matrix/tensor computations.

PUBLICATIONS