

Tensor Contractions with Extended BLAS Kernels on CPU and GPU

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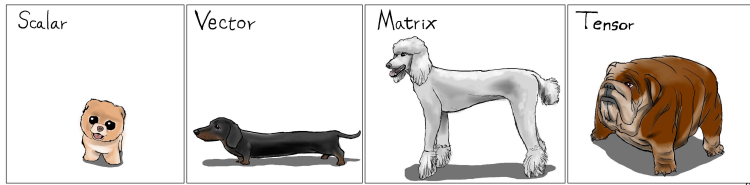
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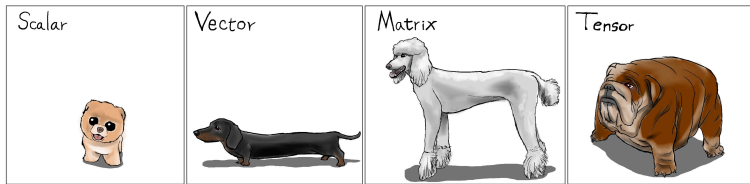
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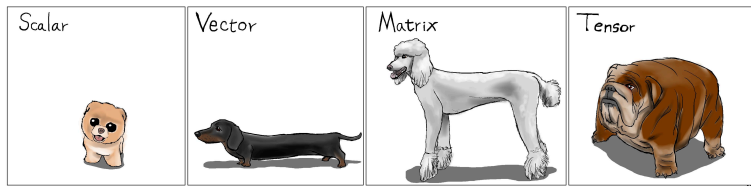


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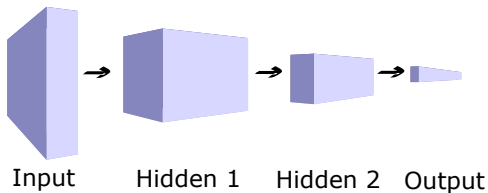


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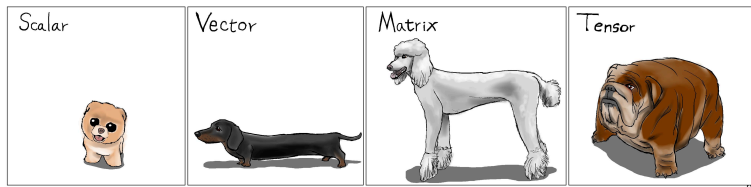
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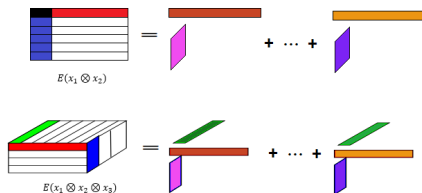
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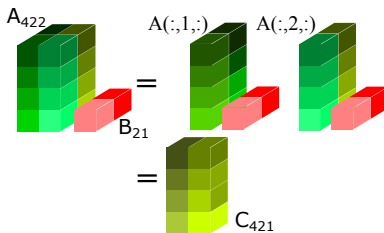
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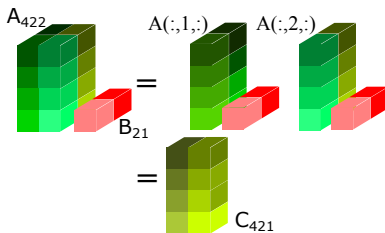


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Why do we need tensor contraction?

- 1 Core primitive of multilinear algebra.
- 2 BLAS Level 3: Unbounded compute intensity.

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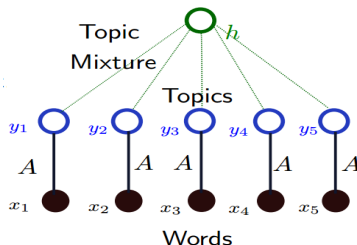
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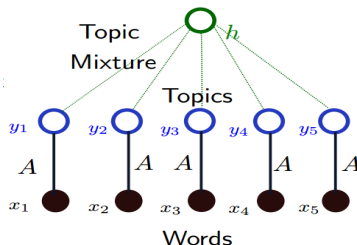
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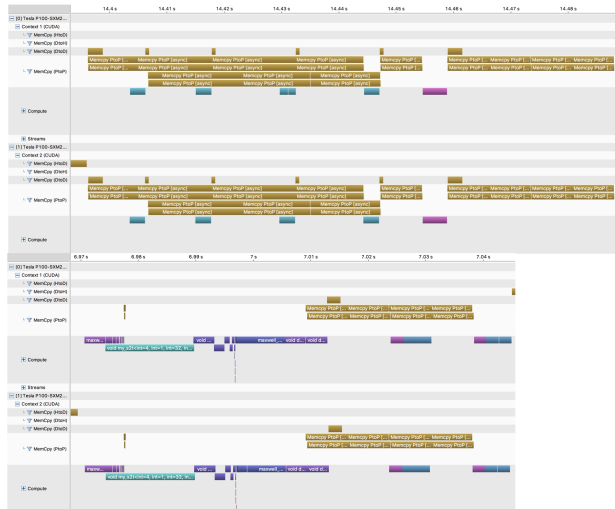


Form third-order tensor $M_3 = \mathbb{E}(x \otimes x \otimes x) = \sum_i h_i a_i \otimes a_i \otimes a_i$

¹Tensor Decompositions for Learning Latent Variable Models, Anima Anandkumar, Rong Ge, Daniel Hsu et. al.

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Distributed FFT



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Distributed FFT

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{pi b} &= S 2 T_{ijs}^{(p)} S_{pj(b+s)} & \implies & T_{pi b} = S 2 T_{i(js)}^{(p)} S_{p(js)b} \\
 M_{pq b} &= S 2 M_{qi} S_{pi b} & \implies & M_{pq[b]} = S_{pi[b]} S 2 M_{qi}^T \\
 M_{pq b'} &= M 2 M_{qm}^- M_{pmb-} + M 2 M_{qm}^+ M_{pmb+} & \implies & M_{pq[b']} = M_{pM[b]} M 2 M_{qM}^T \\
 r_p &= 1_{ib} S_{pi b} = 1_{qb} M_{pq b} & \implies & r_p = 1_{(qb)} M_{p(qb)} \\
 L_{pnb} &= M 2 L_{nms}^{(p)} M_{pm(b+s)} & \implies & L_{pnb} = M 2 L_{n(ms)}^{(p)} M_{p(ms)b} \\
 L_{pq b \pm} &= L 2 L_{qm}^{\pm} L_{pmb'} & \implies & L_{pq[b]} = L_{pM[b']} M 2 M_{qM} \\
 T_{pi b} &= L 2 T_{iq} L_{pq b} & \implies & T_{pi[b]} = L_{pq[b]} S 2 M_{qi}
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Efficient computing frame

- 1 Static analysis solutions
 - 1 PPCG [ISL] (polyhedral)
 - 2 TCE (DSL)
- 2 Parallel and distributed primitives
 - 1 BLAS, cuBLAS
 - 2 BLIS, BLASX, cuBLASXT

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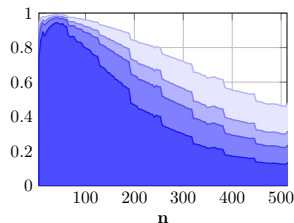
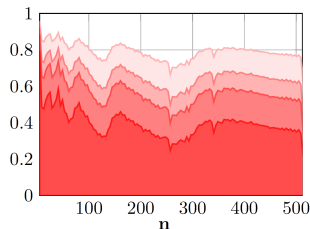
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(Top) CPU. (Bottom) GPU. The fraction of time spent in copies/transpositions. Lines are shown with 1, 2, 3, and 6 transpositions.

GEMM

- Suboptimal for many small matrices.

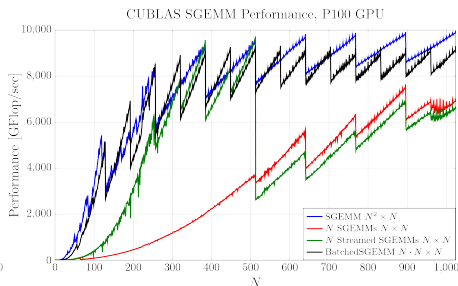
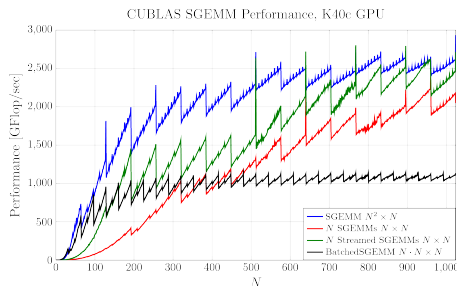
Pointer-to-Pointer BatchedGEMM

- Available in MKL 11.3 β and cuBLAS 4.1

$$C[p] = \alpha \text{op}(A[p]) \text{op}(B[p]) + \beta C[p]$$

```
cublas<T>gemmBatched(cublasHandle_t handle,  
                     cublasOperation_t transA, cublasOperation_t transB,  
                     int M, int N, int K,  
                     const T* alpha,  
                     const T** A, int ldA,  
                     const T** B, int ldB,  
                     const T* beta,  
                     T** C, int ldC,  
                     int batchSize)
```

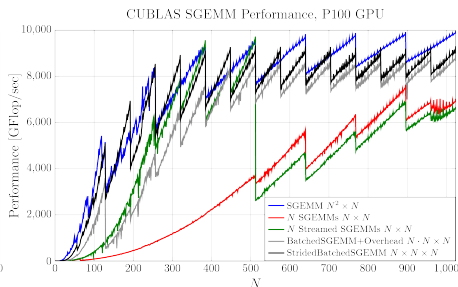
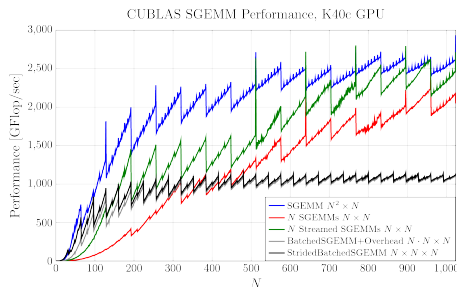
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Existing Primitives

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Except actually...



Solution: StridedBatchedGEMM

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Exists!

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In cuBLAS 8.0:

```
$$ grep StridedBatched -A 17 /usr/local/cuda/include/cublas_api.h
2320:CUBLASAPI cublasStatus_t cublasSgemvStridedBatched (cublasHandle_t handle,
2321-                                     cublasOperation_t transa,
2322-                                     cublasOperation_t transb,
2323-                                     int m,
2324-                                     int n,
2325-                                     int k,
2326-                                     const float *alpha, // host or device pointer
2327-                                     const float *A,
2328-                                     int lda,
2329-                                     long long int strideA, // purposely signed
2330-                                     const float *B,
2331-                                     int ldb,
2332-                                     long long int strideB,
2333-                                     const float *beta, // host or device pointer
2334-                                     float *C,
2335-                                     int ldc,
2336-                                     long long int strideC,
2337-                                     int batchCount);
...
```

StridedBatchedGEMM

```
cublas<T>gemmStridedBatched(cublasHandle_t handle,  
                             cublasOperation_t transA, cublasOperation_t transB,  
                             int M, int N, int K,  
                             const T* alpha,  
                             const T* A, int ldA1, int strideA,  
                             const T* B, int ldB1, int strideB,  
                             const T* beta,  
                             T* C, int ldC1, int strideC,  
                             int batchSize)
```

- Common use case for Pointer-to-pointer BatchedGEMM.
- No Pointer-to-pointer data structure or overhead.
- Performance on par with pure GEMM (P100 and beyond).

Tensor Contraction with Extended BLAS Primitives

$$C_{mnp} = A_{**} \times B_{***}$$

$$C_{mnp} \equiv C[m + n \cdot \text{ldC1} + p \cdot \text{ldC2}]$$

| Case | Contraction | Kernel1 | Kernel2 | Case | Contraction | Kernel1 | Kernel2 |
|------|------------------|--|--|------|------------------|--|--|
| 1.1 | $A_{mk} B_{knp}$ | $C_{m(np)} = A_{mk} B_{k(np)}$ | $C_{mn[p]} = A_{mk} B_{kn[p]}$ | 4.1 | $A_{kn} B_{kmp}$ | $C_{mn[p]} = B_{km[p]}^{\top} A_{kn}$ | |
| 1.2 | $A_{mk} B_{kpn}$ | $C_{mn[p]} = A_{mk} B_{k[p]n}$ | $C_{m[n]p} = A_{mk} B_{kp[n]}$ | 4.2 | $A_{kn} B_{kpm}$ | $C_{mn[p]} = B_{k[p]m}^{\top} A_{kn}$ | |
| 1.3 | $A_{mk} B_{nkp}$ | $C_{mn[p]} = A_{mk} B_{nk}^{\top}[p]$ | $C_{mn[p]} = A_{mk} B_{n[p]k}^{\top}$ | 4.3 | $A_{kn} B_{mkp}$ | $C_{mn[p]} = B_{mk[p]} A_{kn}$ | |
| 1.4 | $A_{mk} B_{pkn}$ | $C_{m[n]p} = A_{mk} B_{pk}^{\top}[n]$ | | 4.4 | $A_{kn} B_{pkm}$ | $C_{mn[p]} = B_{m[p]k} A_{kn}$ | |
| 1.5 | $A_{mk} B_{npk}$ | $C_{m(np)} = A_{mk} B_{(np)k}^{\top}$ | | 4.5 | $A_{kn} B_{mpk}$ | | |
| 1.6 | $A_{mk} B_{pnk}$ | $C_{m[n]p} = A_{mk} B_{p[n]k}^{\top}$ | | 4.6 | $A_{kn} B_{pmk}$ | | |
| 2.1 | $A_{km} B_{knp}$ | $C_{m(np)} = A_{km}^{\top} B_{k(np)}$ | $C_{mn[p]} = A_{km}^{\top} B_{kn[p]}$ | 5.1 | $A_{pk} B_{kmn}$ | $C_{(mn)p} = B_{k(mn)}^{\top} A_{pk}^{\top}$ | $C_{m[n]p} = B_{km[n]}^{\top} A_{pk}^{\top}$ |
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| 6.1 | $A_{kp}B_{kmn}$ | $C_{(mn)p} = B_{k(mn)}^\top A_{kp}$ | $C_{m[n]p} = B_{km[n]}^\top A_{kp}$ | |

Example: Mappings to Level 3 BLAS routines

- Case 1.1, Kernel2: $C_{mn[p]} = A_{mk}B_{kn[p]}$

```
cublasDgemmStridedBatched(handle,  
                             CUBLAS_OP_N, CUBLAS_OP_N,  
                             M, N, K,  
                             &alpha,  
                             A, ldA1, 0,  
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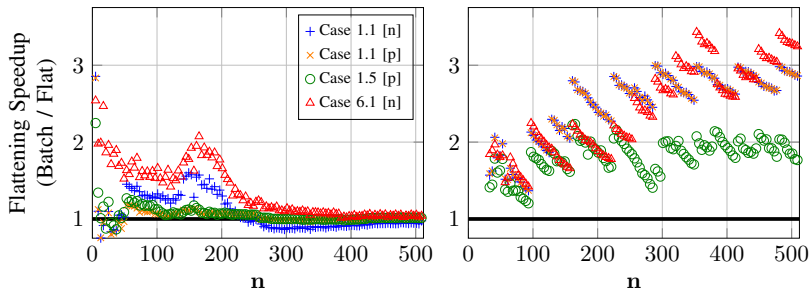
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- Case 6.1, Kernel2: $C_{m[n]p} = B_{km[n]}^\top A_{kp}$

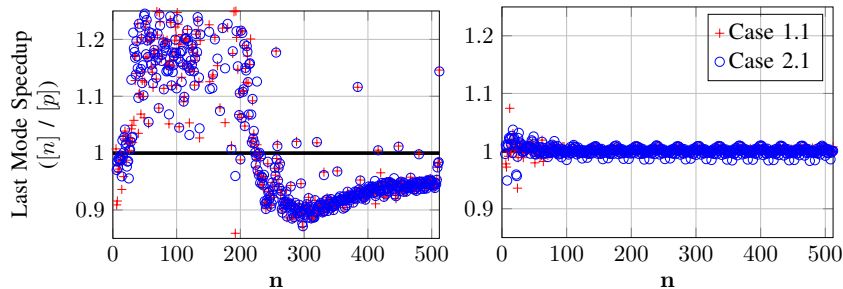
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                             B, ldB1, ldB2,  
                             A, ldA1, 0,  
                             &beta,  
                             C, ldC2, ldC1,  
                             N)
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Flatten V.S. SBGEMM



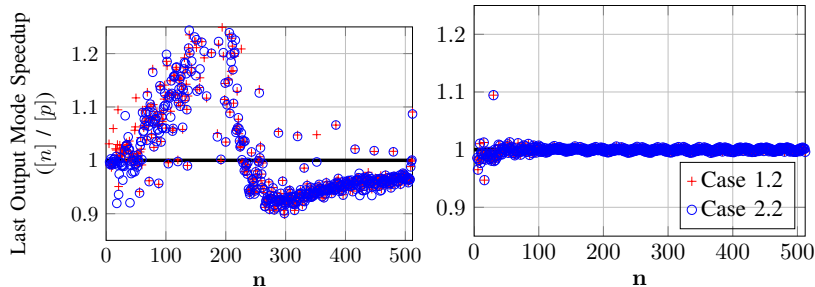
Prefer flattening to “pure” GEMM.

Batching in last mode versus middle mode



On CPU: Prefer batching in the last mode.

Mixed mode batching



On CPU: mode of the output tensor is more important than the batching mode of the input tensor.

Exceptional Cases:

Cannot be computed by StridedBatchedGEMM.

| Case | Contraction |
|------|-----------------------------|
| 3.4 | $C_{mnp} = A_{nk} B_{pkm}$ |
| 6.4 | $C_{mnp} = A_{kp} B_{nkm}$ |
| | $C_{mnp} = A_{mkp} B_{mkn}$ |
| | $C_{mnp} = A_{pkm} B_{nkp}$ |

Example of exceptional cases.

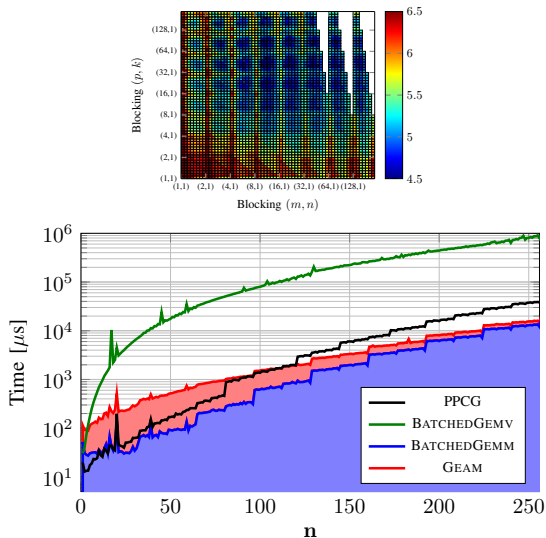
- These cases are precisely the interleaved GEMMs.
- When batching index is the major index in an argument:
 - That argument is interpreted as interleaved matrices.
 - May be one or both inputs and/or output.

Implement GEMM with a 3D tile:

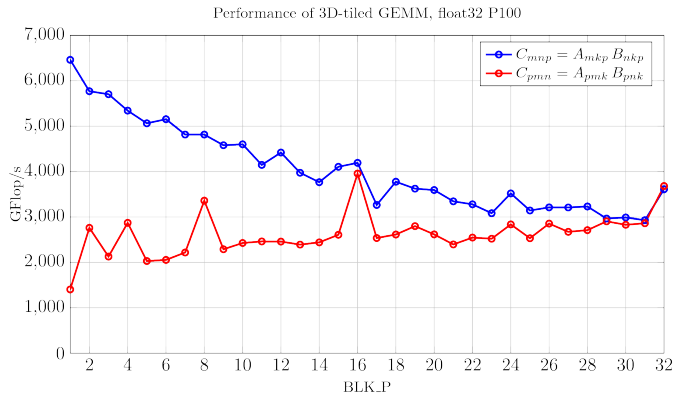
- Transpositions performed on the way to smem/reg.
- Keep canonical GEMM core.
- Considers three modes rather than two:
 - Major mode: A_{mnkpqr}
 - Reduction mode: A_{mnkpqr}
 - Aux (batch,row,col) mode: A_{mnkpqr} (Optional)
- Third tile dimension interpolates between pure GEMM and interleaved GEMM.
- Nested loop over remaining modes performs full contraction.

3D Tiled GEMM

Tilesizes tuning with PPCG for exceptional cases:



3D Tiled GEMM



- $C_{mnp} = A_{mkp} B_{nkp}$: Increasing BLK_P decreases effective tile size.
- $C_{pmn} = A_{pmk} B_{pnk}$: Increasing BLK_P increases cache line utilization.
 - e.g. BLK_P= 1, 2, 4, 8
 - BLK_P = 1 equivalent to BLIS (strides in row and column)

3D Tiled GEMM – Interface?

Extend the StridedBatchedGEMM transpose parameters?

| | | | | | |
|---|-----------|---|-------------------|------|------|
| ✓ | C_{mnp} | | $A_{pmk} B_{pkn}$ | EX_N | EX_N |
| ✓ | C_{mpn} | = | $A_{pmk} B_{pnk}$ | EX_N | EX_T |
| ✗ | C_{pmn} | | $A_{pkm} B_{pkn}$ | EX_T | EX_N |
| | | | $A_{pkm} B_{pnk}$ | EX_T | EX_T |

E.g. $C_{mn[p]} = A_{m[p]k} B_{[p]nk}$

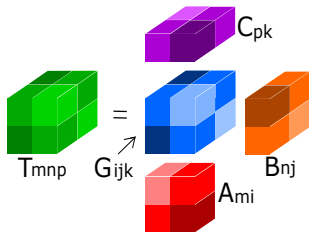
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                             M, N, K,  
                             &alpha,  
                             A, ldA2, ldA1,  
                             B, ldB1, ldB2,  
                             &beta,  
                             C, ldC1, ldC2,  
                             P);
```

```
contract(cublas::par,
        alpha,
        A, {M,P,K}, _<'m','p','k'>,
        B, {K,N,P}, _<'k','n','p'>,
        beta,
        C,          _<'m','n','p'>);
```

| ROWIDX | COLIDX | BATIDX | REDIDX | Kernel | e.g. |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | mult | $C = A B$ |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | dot | $C = A_k B_k$ |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | XXX (scalar-mult) | $C_p = A_p B_p$ |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | XXX (nested-dot?) | $C_p = A_{kp} B_{kp}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | scal | $C_n = A B_n$ |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | gemv | $C_n = A_k B_{kn}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | dgmm (cublas?) | $C_{np} = A_p B_{np}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | batch_gemm (m=1?) | $C_{np} = A_{kp} B_{nkp}$ |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | scal | $C_m = A_m B$ |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | gemv | $C_m = A_{mk} B_k$ |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | dgmm (cublas?) | $C_{mp} = A_{mp} B_p$ |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | batch_gemm (n=1?) | $C_{mp} = A_{mkp} B_{kp}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | ger | $C_{mn} = A_m B_n$ |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | gemm | $C_{mn} = A_{mk} B_{kn}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | batch_gemm (k=1?) | $C_{mnp} = A_{mp} B_{np}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | batch_gemm | $C_{mnp} = A_{mkp} B_{nkp}$ |

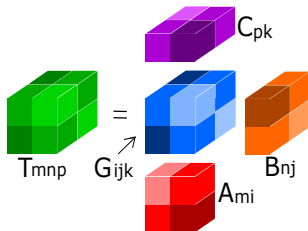
Applications: Tucker Decomposition

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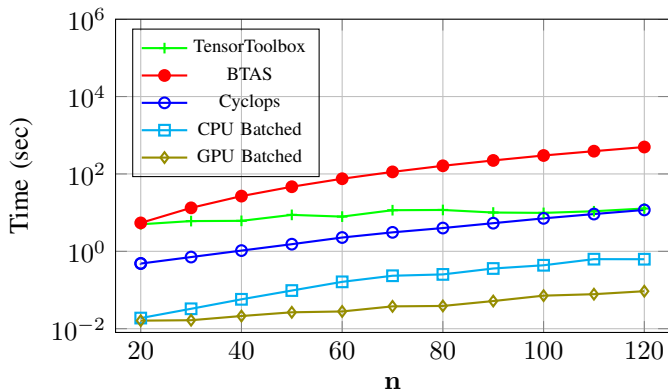


Main steps in the algorithm

- $Y_{mjk} = T_{mnp} B_{nj}^t C_{pk}^t$
- $Y_{ink} = T_{mnp} A_{mi}^{t+1} C_{pk}^t$
- $Y_{ijp} = T_{mnp} B_{nj}^{t+1} A_{mi}^{t+1}$

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Performance on Tucker decomposition:



Low-Communication FFT for multiple GPUs.

- StridedBatchedGEMM composes 75%+ of the runtime.
 - Essential to the performance.
 - Two custom kernels are precisely interleaved GEMMs.
- 2 P100 GPUs: 1.3x over cuFFTXt.
- 8 P100 GPUs: 2.1x over cuFFTXt.

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- Future work:
 - Exceptional case kernels/performance/interface??
 - Library Optimizations
 - Matrix stride zero – Persistent Matrix Strided Batched GEMM
 - Staged – RNNs: Staged Persistent Matrix Strided Batched GEMM

Thank you!
Questions?