# Towards a Distributed GPU-Accelerated Matrix Inversion

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# Motivation

- Several examples of the need of matrix inversion are earth-sciences, matrix sign function for spectral decomposition, low rank radiosity technique for computer graphics and many others
- The computation of dense matrix inversion requires an important computational effort in terms of execution time and memory
- Distributed-memory platforms and GPGPU are used to tackle this problem

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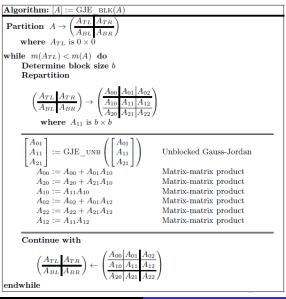
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# Matrix Inversion: Methods and Parallelization

- Conventional strategy is based on Gaussian elimination (LU factorization)
   LAPACK provides an implementation with getrf and getri functions for shared-memory platforms, while
   SCALAPACK is an extension of LAPACK for distributed memory
- Based on Gauss-Jordan elimination algorithm (GJE)
- The GJE algorithm casts the bulk of computation in terms of matrix-matrix products
- The number of floating-point arithmetic operations is  $2n^3$

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## Matrix Inversion: Methods and Parallelization

- The content of A is overwritten with the values of the inverse
- Partial pivoting to ensure ('in practice') numerical stability
- At each iteration an unblocked Gauss-Jordan is calculated and then six matrix-matrix products are made

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#### Distributed Implementation of Matrix Inversion

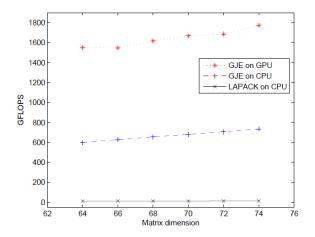
- As GJE performs the same number of operation on each iteration, a parallel algorithm does not require a cyclic distribution of the data
- Distributed the matrix in c nodes of the cluster following a column block data layout, with d = n/c consecutives columns assigned to each node
- At each iteration the GJE\_UNB is computed at the node where the current column panel resides
- After that, the factored column panel and the local pivot indexes are broadcasted to the remaining nodes to compute three matrix-matrix products
- The node with the current column panel will compute six matrix-matrix products

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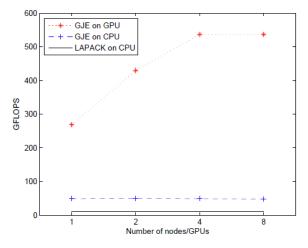
- Two variants of the GJE were implemented:
  - Matrix inversion on homogeneous CPU based clusters All computation is done on CPU
  - Matrix inversion on hybrid CPU+GPU based clusters The GJE\_UNB computation is done in GPU while the matrix-matrix products are done in GPGPU
- The MPI library was used for distributed programming

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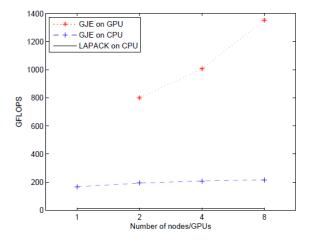
- All the experiments were performed using IEEEsingle precision on two different platforms:
  - CPU cluster: 8 computes nodes with 2x Intel Sandy-Bridge processors at 2.70GHz (8 cores per socket) and 64 GB of RAM memory, Infiniband QDR network bullx Linux Server release 6.3 (v1), Intel v12.1.4 compiler, Intel MKL library (for BLAS) and bullxmpi v1.2.4.1 (MPI v2 implementation)
  - GPU+CPU cluster: 4 computes nodes with 2x Intel Nehalem E5640 processors at 2.67GHz (4 cores per socket) and 24 GB of RAM memory, Infiniband QDR network Each node with 2x NVIDIA Tesla M2050(Fermi) GPUs bullx Linux Server release 6.3 (v1), Intel v12.1.4 compiler, Intel MKL library (for BLAS) and bullxmpi v1.2.4.1 (MPI v2 implementation), CUDA v4.0.17



■ GJE on GPU speed-up to 2.6x with respect to CPU variant



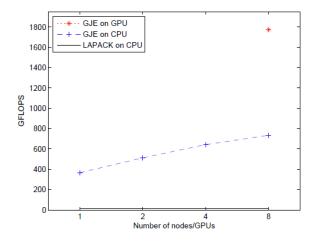
Scalability for matrix size 10K



Scalability for matrix size 32K

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## Experimental results



Scalability for matrix size 74K

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# Concluding remarks

- Initial implementation of a distributed GPU based for matrix inversion
- Significant improvements on the performance, with speed-ups of up to 2.6x compared to CPU-based versions
- GPU-based proposal exhibits a reasonable degree of weak scalability and acceptable values of strong scalability
- Use of several GPUs increases the aggregated memory space

#### Future work

- Use of larger platforms to reduce computational time and tackle bigger problems
- Migrate the code to a 2D block data distribution
- Incorporate GPU Direct to advance in the scalability of the proposal

# Thank you

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# Questions?



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