Improving MPI scalability of multifrontal direct solver for 3D Helmholtz equation with data compression

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Statement of problem

Solve the Helmholtz problem

u = ?

$$\Delta u + \frac{\left(2\pi\nu\right)^2}{V^2}u = f$$



- ✓ Velocity model *V*= 1000м/c ... 8000м/c
- ✓ Frequency 1,..., 16Гц
- ✓ Parallelepipedal grid, step is ~30m
- ✓ Perfect Matching Layer (PML)
- ✓ Finite difference approximation

Solve the symmetric complex sparse SLAE

$$AX = B$$
, $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_{nrhs}\}$, $\dim(A) = n \times n$

n> 20*10^6, nrhs>10^4

Direct solver outline

Given system of linear equations

$$AX = B.$$

• Decompose the matrix

$$A = L \cdot D \cdot L^t$$

• Solve two systems of linear equations with triangular coefficient matrices

$$LV = B,$$

$$DL^t X = V$$

 Compression by using Hierarchically Semi Separable (HSS) formats and Low-Rank approximation help to *reduce memory consumptions (and flops count)* but lead to an approximate factorization

$$A \approx \widetilde{L} \cdot \widetilde{D} \cdot \widetilde{L}^t$$

- The solution obtained with use of \tilde{L} and \tilde{D} instead of L and D may become inaccurate. To resolve the accuracy issue, the *iterative refinement* can be applied.
 - Provided the <u>compression is not too aggressive</u>, the remedy <u>works</u>. Otherwise, the iterations <u>may diverge</u>.

Sparsity of L-factor



- Straightforward LDLT factorization results in a band matrix L of $N^{\frac{5}{3}}$ nonzero elements.
- ND reordering reduces the number of nonzero elements to $N^{\frac{4}{3}}$.
- *Fill-in factors* (fractions of nonzero elements in blocks) varying from zero to one are shown in grey scale:
 - white blocks are purely zero;
 - the darker a block, the more nonzero elements it contains;
 - black blocks are (close to) dense

Low-rank approximation



SVD-based solution

$$F = USV^{t} \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} s_{1} & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & s_{r} & & \\ & & & s_{r+1} & \\ & & & & s_{n} \end{pmatrix}$$

• Given threshold
$$\varepsilon$$
 find $r: \frac{s_{r+1}}{s_1} < \varepsilon$
• Define $S^r = \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & s_r \end{pmatrix}'$

$$U = U^{r}$$

$$V = V^{r}$$

$$\widetilde{U} = U^{r}$$

$$\widetilde{V} = V^{r} \cdot S^{r}$$
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Compressed matrix structure







Parallel computations on 8 cluster nodes:

- ✓ Low-Rank compression
- ✓ Factorization

8 cluster nodes



Parallel computations on 8 cluster nodes:

- ✓ Compute Schur complement
- ✓ Low-Rank compression

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Parallel computations on 4 cluster nodes:

- ✓ Compute Schur complement
- ✓ Low-Rank compression
- ✓ Factorization

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Computations on one cluster node:

- ✓ Compute Schur complement
- ✓ Low-Rank compression
- ✓ Factorization

Numerical experiments, tests descriptions

- ✓ Geometry: 3D domain ~nn*2nn*2nn
- ✓ Spatial step: const=h in each direction
- ✓ PML width=10points
- ✓ Eps_lowrank=10^(-4.5)



- various constant velocity models
- constant frequency



Heterogeneous models

- Real high-contrast velocity models
- various frequencies







Real velocity model

- ✓ 3D domain З0км* З9км* 11.5км
- ✓ Velocity model **1043m/s** до **7628m/s**
- ✓ Frequency 2Hz
- ✓ PML: 10 grid points
- ✓ Grid step h=50m
- ✓ Low-rank threshold is $10^{-4.5}$

Numerical results were obtained on Shaheen II:

(Intel® Xeon® CPU E5-2698 v3 @2.3 GHz, 128 GB RAM)



eqs=123 · 10⁶:

✓ Factorization time:

1h40m (16 nodes)

37m (128 nodes)

✓ Solve time (per **128** sources):

~3m (16 nodes)

~50s (128 nodes)

Factorization performance, compressibility factors

Table 1: Homogeneous medium, fixed frequency.

Table 1: Homogeneous medium (data for $v=2$ Hz, $\varepsilon=10^{-4}$)						
Sound velocity, m/s.	1000	2000	4000	8000		
Points per wavelength	10	20	40	80		
Compressibility factor	4.1	5.3	5.8	6.0		
Factorization time, s.	8 4 5 8	4 347	3 537	3 276		

Table 2: RSTZ model. Notice the compressibility factor gets worth with increase of frequency, and factorization time respectively increases.

Table 2: RSZT model ($\varepsilon = 3 \cdot 10^{-5}$)						
ν (Hz)	1	2	4	8		
Compressibility factor	5.9	5.8	5.3	4.1		
Factorization time (s) on	3 4 2 7	3 638	4 578	9 949		

32 cluster nodes

Factorization scalability



One MPI proc per node used.

Scalabilities are evaluated as factorization time ratios $s_n = \frac{t_1}{t_n}$ for one and n procs.

HW: Shaheen II @ KAUST ($2 \times$ Intel® Xeon® CPU E5-2698 v3 @2.3 GHz per cluster node, 128 GB RAM).

Solving step scalability



- Data shown for 128 RHS vectors
- For RSTZ model, on 128 processes, solving step for one RHS vector takes 0.4 sec per vector.

Scalability issue

Reasons of poor factorization scalability on many nodes (>8):

- \checkmark Weak parallelization of factorization the top-level nodes
- ✓ Different factorization jobs of low-level nodes
- High optimization the single-node version of solver => high performance of low-level nodes



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Thank you for attention!