

EDGAR

- Energy-efficient Data and Graph Algorithms Research
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The Reverse Cuthill-McKee Algorithm in Distributed-Memory

- **Goal:** Find a permutation \mathbf{P} of a sparse matrix \mathbf{A} so that the bandwidth of $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}^T$ is small.
- **Application:** Faster iterative solvers, e.g., preconditioned conjugate gradients (PCG).
- **Innovation in Parallel RCM Algorithm:**
 1. **Step1:** level-by-level vertex exploration and ordering. **Approach:** specialized breadth-first search using sparse matrix-sparse vector multiplication (SpMSpV) over a semiring
 2. **Step2:** Ordering of vertices in each level by (parents' order, degree) pairs. **Approach:** parallel partial sorting.
- **Performance:**
 - First ever distributed-memory RCM algorithm that scales up to 4096 cores on NERSC/Edison.
 - Attains up to 38x speedup on 1028 cores.

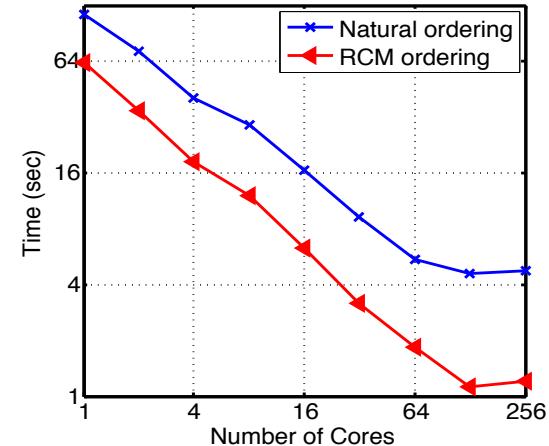


Fig2: Solving PCG in PETSc with/without RCM ordering (on thermal2 matrix)

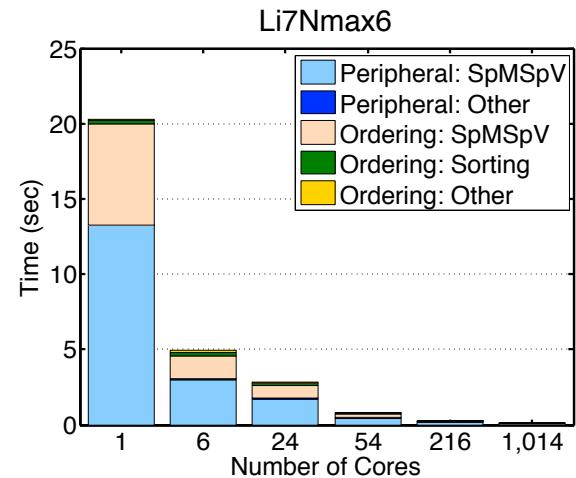
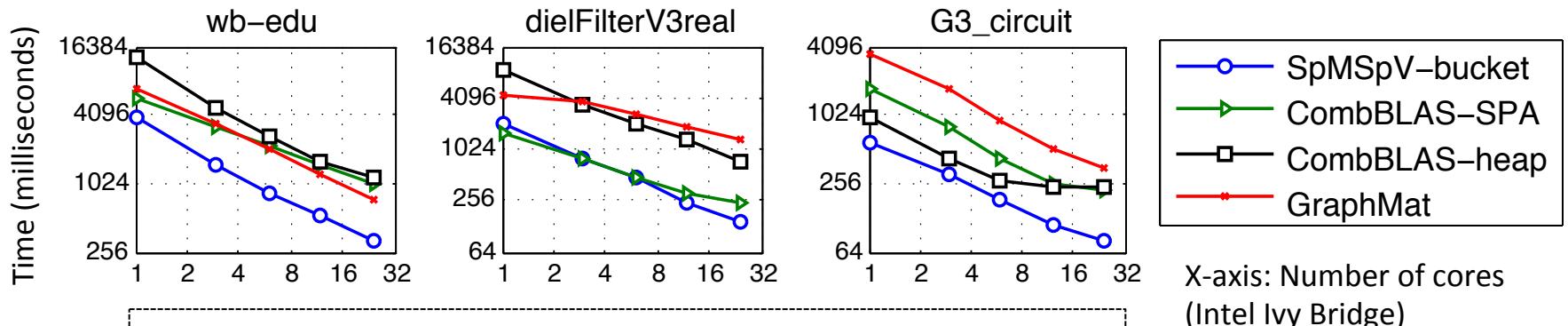


Fig2: Strong scaling of the RCM algorithm on NERSC/Edison

An work-efficient parallel algorithm for sparse matrix-sparse vector multiplication (SpMSpV)

- **Goal:** A scalable SpMSpV algorithm without doing more work on higher concurrency
- **Application:** Breadth-first search, graph matching, support vector machines, etc.
- **Algorithmic innovation:**
 - Attains **work-efficiency** by arranging necessary columns of the matrix into buckets where each bucket is processed by a single thread
 - Avoids **synchronization** by row-wise partitioning of the matrix on the fly
- **Performance:**
 - First ever work-efficient algorithm for SpMSpV that attains up to 15x speedup on a 24-core Intel Ivy Bridge processor and up to 49x speedup on a 64-core KNL processor
 - Up to an order of magnitude faster than its competitors, especially for sparser vector



A.Azad, A. Buluç. A work-efficient parallel sparse matrix-sparse vector multiplication algorithm. IPDPS'17 (accepted)

GraphBLAS C API Spec (<http://graphblas.org>)

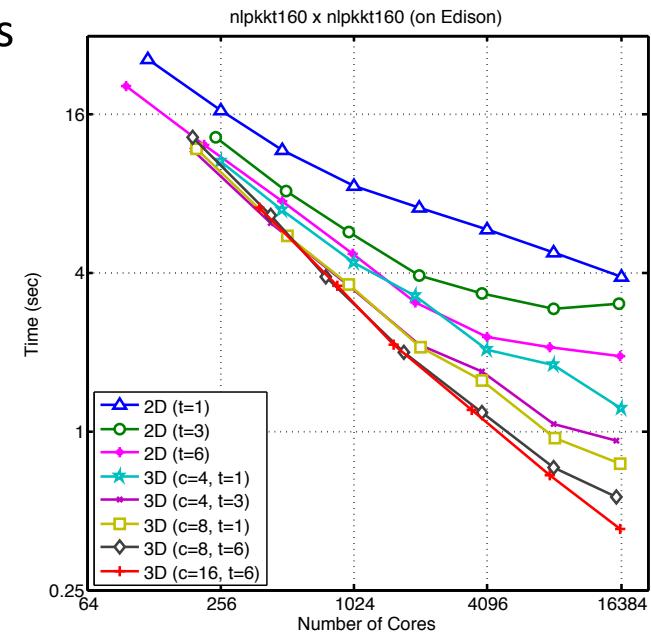
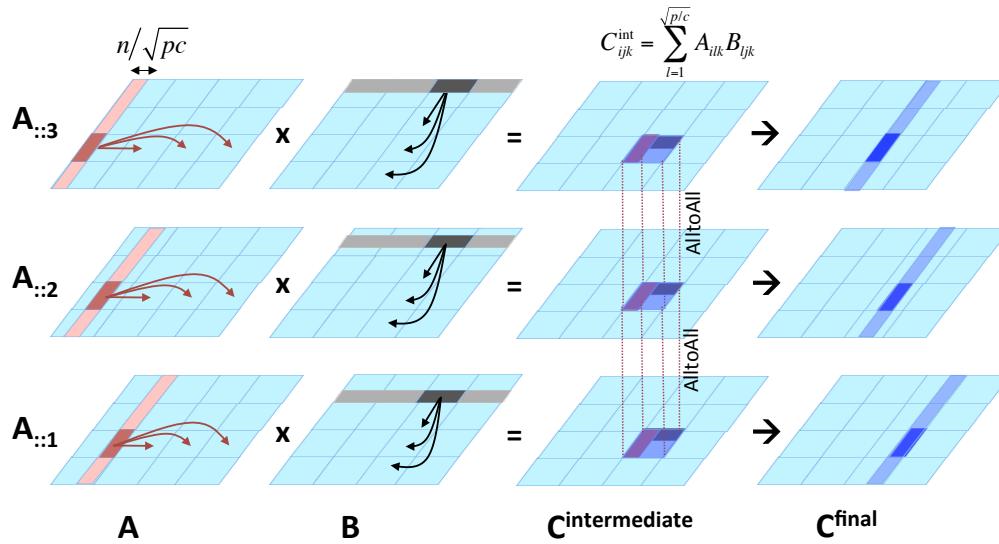
- **Goal:** A crucial piece of the GraphBLAS effort is to translate the mathematical specification to an actual Application Programming Interface (API) that
 - i. is faithful to the mathematics as much as possible, and
 - ii. enables efficient implementations on modern hardware.
- **Impact:** All graph and machine learning algorithms that can be expressed in the language of linear algebra
- **Innovation:** Function signatures (e.g. mxm, vxm, assign, extract), parallelism constructs (blocking v. non-blocking), fundamental objects (masks, matrices, vectors, descriptors), a hierarchy of algebras (functions, monoids, and semiring)

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GrB_info GrB_mxm(GrB_Matrix           *C,          // destination
                  const GrB_Matrix      Mask,
                  const GrB_BinaryOp    accum,
                  const GrB_Semiring    op,
                  const GrB_Matrix      A,
                  const GrB_Matrix      B
                  [, const Descriptor   desc]);
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$$C(\neg M) \oplus= A^T \odot . \otimes B^T$$

Parallel algorithms for sparse-matrix- sparse matrix multiplication (SpGEMM)

- **Goal:** More scalable SpGEMM algorithms in shared and distributed-memory
- **Applications:** Algebraic multigrid (AMG) restriction, graph computations, quantum chemistry, data mining, interior-point optimization
- **Algorithmic innovations:** (1) Novel shared-memory kernel for in-node parallelism, (2) Split-3D-SpGEMM: an efficient implementation of communication-avoiding SpGEMM
- **Performance:** Split-3D-SpGEMM with new shared-memory kernel (red) beats old state-of-the-art (blue) by 8X at large concurrencies



Other Important Publications

- P. Koanantakool, **A. Azad, A. Buluç**, D. Morozov, S. Oh, L. Oliker, K. Yelick. *Communication-avoiding parallel sparse-dense matrix-matrix multiplication*. In Proceedings of the IPDPS, 2016.
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- **A. Azad, A. Buluç**, *A matrix-algebraic formulation of distributed-memory maximal cardinality matching algorithms in bipartite graphs*. Parallel Computing, 2016
- **A. Buluç**, H. Meyerhenke, I. Safro, P. Sanders, C. Schulz: *Recent Advances in Graph Partitioning*. Algorithm Engineering, 2016
- **V. Strnadová-Neeley, A. Buluç**, J. Gilbert, L. Oliker, W. Ouyang: *LiRa: A New Likelihood-Based Similarity Score for Collaborative Filtering*, CoRR abs/1608.08646