MATEDOR SCOPE

The Matrix, Tensor, and Deep-Learning Optimized Routines (MATEDOR) project seeks to develop software technologies and standard APIs, along with a sustainable and portable library for large-scale computations, but whose individual parts are 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 affected application communities, we will define 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 will provide the developers of applications, compilers, and runtime systems with the option of expressing as a single call to a routine from the new batch operation standard, and would allow the entire linear algebra (LA) community to collectively attack a wide range of small matrix or tensor problems. Success in such an effort will require innovations in interface design, computational and numerical optimization, as well as packaging and deployment at the user site to trigger final stages of tuning at the moment of execution.

Sustainable and Performance-Portable Software Library

We will demonstrate 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 will include LAPACK routine equivalents for many small dense problems, tensor, and application-specific operations, e.g., for expressing as a single call to a routine from the new batch operation standard, and would allow the entire linear algebra (LA) community to collectively attack a wide range of small matrix or tensor problems. Success in such an effort will require innovations in interface design, computational and numerical optimization, as well as packaging and deployment at the user site to trigger final stages of tuning at the moment of execution.

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MATEDOR will develop enabling technologies for very small matrix and tensor computations, including (1) autotuning, (2) inlining, (3) code generation, and (4) 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.

Community Effort and Activities Towards Standardization

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Standard APIs (for Batched BLAS and LAPACK):

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

Breadth of MATEDOR's Impact on Application Domains

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