

Parallel Programs from Constraint Specifications

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Application Oriented High-level Specification of Parallel Programs





Goal

High-level Specifications ---> High Performance

A representation for problem specification which

- places minimum burden on user
 - no explicit parallelism in specification
- allows extraction of maximal parallelism
- allows reuse of components

Constraints:

attractive choice for a representation for problem specification

Why?





Goal

Extraction of efficient parallel structures from constraints

Contributions

1. Programming system based on constraints for matrix computation.

- Hierarchical Type System
- Programming Representation
- Modular Structures for Constraint Systems
- Basic Compilation Algorithm
- Extension for Cyclic Constraints
- Extraction of Task and Data Parallelism
- 2. Translation to multiple parallel architectures.
- 3. Development of applications yielding high performance.





A constraint is a relationship between a set of variables.



== is equality as opposed to assignment

 $1 \equiv 2$

Constraint Programming vs. Imperative Programming

C == (F-32) * 5/9 < 5/2	Program 1 C = (F-32) * 5/9
	Program 2 F = 32 + (9/5) * C





Related Work (Representative Examples)

Constraint Programming • Thinglab - Alan Borning

•Consul - Doug Baldwin

•CCP, Oz - Vijay Saraswat, Gert Smolka et. al.

Parallel Programming Imperative Programming •HPF - Ken Kennedy et. al.

> Equational Programming •Unity - Chandy, Misra

Logic Programming •PCN - Chandy, Taylor

•Strand - Foster, Taylor

Approach

Constraint program (constraint specification & input set) input set) COMPILE Dependence graph MAP Sequential and parallel C programs generated for CRAY J90, SPARCcenter 2000, Sequent, PVM, MPI (under development) CODE - Browne, Newton et. al.





Hierarchical Type System



- Constructs new types at higher levels from existing types at lower levels.
- Provides a tool for controlling granularity.
- Each high level type may incorporate domain information in its definition.
- Different efficient algorithms can implement operations depending on the type.
- We have a translator for specifications over a rich matrix type set to parallel programs.

Operator Expressions

- the building blocks for constraints

Expressions involving:

1. Scalar operators, pure function invocations

E.g. a + b * sqr(c)

2. Matrix operators

E.g.
$$M_1 * M_2 - M_3$$

3. Indexed operators: <op>FOR (<index> <b1> <b2>) <expression>

E.g. + $FOR(i \ 1 \ 5) \ A[i]$

Equivalent to A[1] + A[2] + A[3] + A[4] + A[5]





Constraint Representation

Simple Constraints: relational operators (<, <=, >, >=, ==, !=) over operator expressions E.g. a + b > c $M_1 * M_2 == M_3$ | only == for matrices

Propositional Operators: NOT, AND, OR, on constraints: E.g. a + b > c AND a == 5

Constraints over indexed sets: AND/OR FOR (<index> <b1> <b2>) { $C_1, C_2, ..., C_n$ } C_i is a constraint E.g. AND FOR (i 1 5) { A[i] == A[i-1]+1, B[i] == A[i] } - represents 10 constraints

Constraint Modules: encapsulation of constraints over parameters E.g. EquivalentTemp(F,C)

Quadratic Equation Solver

 $ax^{2} + bx + c == 0, \ 2ax = -b \pm \sqrt{b^{2} - 4ac}$ /* Main */ a == 0 AND r1 == r2 AND b*r1 + c == 0 OR a != 0 AND DefinedRoots(a, b, c, r1, r2) /* Constraint module */ DefinedRoots(a, b, c, r1, r2) t == sqr(b) - 4*a*c AND t>=0 AND 2*a*r1==-b+sqrt(abs(t)) AND 2*a*r2==-(b+sqrt(abs((t))))





Compilation



Tree from Depth-First Traversal (1)



Each path may yield a solution.





Depth-first Traversal (2) Tree -----> Dependence Graph



Dependence Graph *Nodes are computational* units. Nodes execute dependent on certain *conditions* and the availability of data.

Resolution of Constraint Modules

Constraint Modules can be compiled to procedures input and output parameters determined by the input set at the point of call

E.g. Constraint Module DefinedRoots(a, b, c, r1, r2) can be compiled to

three procedures:

- •DefinedRoots(a, b, c, r1, r2)
- •DefinedRoots(a, b, r1, c, r2)
- •DefinedRoots(a, b, r2, c, r1,)

Red: Inputs, Blue: Outputs





Resolution of Constraints over Indexed Sets

Constraints over Indexed Sets can be compiled to loops over computations extracted from constraints



Extraction of Parallelism

Types of Parallelism

AND-OR

Task



Data



Parallelism to be exploited:

1. in different paths of dependence graph (OR, Task)	
2. between computations at a node (AND, Task)	Implemented
3. in operations within a computation (Task) $\underline{M_1 * M_2} + \underline{M_1 * M_3}$	Impromoneou
4. in iterations of loops (Data)	•
5. in primitive operations over base types (Data)	Future

Control over Granularity

Modules

Functions

Hierarchical Types





Block Odd-Even Reduction Algorithm (BOER)

Solution of A * x == d, where

$$A == \begin{bmatrix} B & C & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ C & B & C & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & C & B & C & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C & B & C \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C & B \end{bmatrix}$$

B, C are block matrices of order $n \ge 2$ A is of order M*n, where $M = 2^{k}-1$, $k \ge 2$

Constraint Program for BOER







Dependence Graph for BOER Algorithm



Summary

Constraint systems & appropriate sets of input variables generalized dependence graphs efficient parallel programs.

Granularity is controlled through modules, functions, hierarchical types.

Both task and data parallelism can be targeted.





Constraints: attractive choice for a representation for problem specification

Why?

Declarative specification

Compiler has great freedom in the generation of efficient parallel structures

Extraction of different programs from same specification

Generation of complete or effective programs

Conclusion

Feasibility of compilation of efficient parallel procedural programs from constraint programs has been established.





Future Work

Short Term

- Incorporate powerful data partitioning mechanisms.
- Complete development of an execution environment specification.
- Relax restrictions on indexed sets

Long Term

- Extraction of algorithms for applications where algorithms specification is difficult.
- How to write "good" specifications ?
- Which path should be selected in effective programs ?
- Investigate other application domains.
- Applications:
 - 1. Boundary Matching Problems for Decomposed Domains
 - 2. Data Mediation
 - 3. Back Tracing for Circuits
 - 4. Development of Distributed Network Applications







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Defining the Rules of the Net

- The compelling force of greed
- The architecture of rule-making for the Net
- The visions and lessons of self-governance (so far)
- Recommended strategies





The Compelling Force of Greed-Why we make rules

- Protection of Property Assets
- Protection of Competitive Advantage
- Protection of Communities

Realities of the Net

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 - technical rules
 - process rules
 - dispute resolution





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> We will create rules for the Net to protect the value of our information assets.





How will we make the rules?

- ♦ Who is "we"?
- ♦ For what space?
- ♦ What are rules?

Rules--Controlling Assumptions

- > He who makes the rules wins.
- ◆ To be free, we must regulate the Net.
- The rules will be driven by the commercial requirement for adequate returns on investment.





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Some difficult realities

- Unlike the sea or space, the Net directly challenges the vulnerabilities of constituents for which government is often the only champion:
 - consumers
 - children/students/education
 - small to medium-sized enterprises





Some difficult realities

- Governments (fueled by the press) overreact to "market failure" in standards development
- Governments retain "veto power" over the results of self-regulation
- Standards development (including selfregulation) is capital intensive

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Diminished realization of returns and extraordinary costs for acquiring proprietary advantages in the final layer of the standards infrastructure.

Essential Strategies

- Must encourage governments to defer the exercise of inherent jurisdiction
- Must empower standards development to embrace the complete architecture
- Must deliver methodologies for developing accelerated solutions for implementation





Deferral of Jurisdiction

For electronic commerce, regulatory and executive sectors are prepared to defer:

- US--Magaziner paper
- Japan
- European Union
- Australia (content regulation)

Embrace the full architecture

- The gap between law and technology will diminish (and is diminishing).
- Law and policy venues are committing to technology-informed processes.
- Private sector is experimenting with selfgovernance.





Deliver the Methodologies of Governance

 Must develop and disseminate effective models for solutions process:

- market-driven
- agile
- inclusive
- global







Deliver the Methodologies of Governance

- Must empower the value of informed choices among:
 - model agreements
 - mniform codes of conduct
 - statements of best practices
 - icon-based community-entry
- Must promote 'safe harbors' for deferral of government jurisdiction.

Some portending consequences

- Private sector funding of rulemaking will enhance TNO's challenge to the nationstate.
- Bruce Sterling was right--the private sector will design enforcement power into its rules (and the new technologies).
- Diversity will undermine the consensus required for maximum security effectiveness.





Some portending consequences

The U.S. will not be able to control the policy momentum of Europe and Asia, putting at risk:

- commercial interests
- military security and management
- privacy of the individual





Privacy in the Digital Age

Deirdre Mulligan

At its core, the Digital Age represents a dramatic shift in computing and communication power. The decentralized, open nature of the network coupled, with an emphasis on user control over information, are central to achieving the First Amendment potential of the Internet. Through interactive technology, individuals today can enjoy a heretofore unknown ability to exercise First Amendment freedoms. Access to the Internet empowers individuals with an enormous capacity to speak and be heard, and listen and learn. The development of filtering and blocking devices that empower individuals to control the inflow of information gives new meaning to the core First Amendment principle that individuals should determine the ideas and beliefs deserving of expression, consideration and adherence.¹

However, at this moment the impact of the Digital Age on individual privacy remains an open question. Will the Digital Age be a period in which individuals lose all control over personal information? Or does the Digital Age offer a renewed opportunity for privacy? The development of technologies that empower individuals to control the collection and use of personal information and communications - such as encryption, and anonymous remailers, web browsers and payment systems - are inspiring examples of the privacy-enhancing possibilities of interactive technology. However, we believe that the architecture of the Internet must be designed to advance individual privacy by facilitating individual control over personal information.

The rise of technologies that empower users of interactive communications media to affirmatively express control over personal information can fundamentally shift the balance of power between the individual and those seeking information. CDT believes this technological shift is possible and necessary, and offers us an unprecedented opportunity to advance individual privacy. However, this shift will occur if interactive media is harnessed to advance individual privacy.

Rather than responding to the very real risks posed by new technology with the Luddite-call of "smash the machine," we are calling for a reversal of the technological status quo by demanding that technology be designed to empower people. We should seize the opportunity to vest individuals with the information and tools to express their desire for privacy in clear and effective ways, and by having those desires acknowledged by information users, we can advance privacy. We believe that this post-Luddite approach will reinvigorate individual privacy in the Digital Age.

While strengthening existing laws, such as the Fair Credit Reporting Act and the Right to Financial Privacy Act, and enacting legislation to protect health records, are crucial to protecting individual privacy, individual empowerment technologies offer a powerful method of implementing the core principle of individual control where current gaps and weaknesses leave individual privacy vulnerable. We believe that user controlled technologies that enable individuals to protect the privacy of their communications and personal information, offer an unprecedented opportunity to extend real protections for individual privacy around the world.

¹See Turner Broadcasting Syste. Inc. v. FCC, 114 S. Ct. 2445, 2458 (1994)





The TFLOPS Era is Here

Art Hale

Sandia National Laboratories April 24, 1997

TFLOPS Culminates 50 Years of Supercomputing







In The Beginning of MPP

"Parallel machines are hard to program and we should make them even harder – to keep the riff-raff off them." ... an expert

"Conversion of any code to parallel takes a few weeks, perhaps longer." ... a manager

"Massively Parallel machines are generally considered to be hard to program special-purpose engines, but the nCUBE is different." ... a salesman

What's the difference between a computer salesman and a usedcar salesman?

The used-car salesman knows when he's lying."

... anonymous





Heyday of MPP Competition

On speed:

- "The nCUBE 2 supercomputers are the fastest computing systems available today." nCUBE brochure, 11/91
- "The Touchstone Delta system is the world's fastest production computer." Intel brochure, 11/91

On Popularity:

- "CM systems are the most popular parallel supercomputers in the world." TMC document, 11/91
- "The iPSC/860 has become the most widely used parallel supercomputer in the world." Intel brochure, 11/91

On the Future:

"The CM-5 incorporates the first parallel supercomputer architecture that scales to TeraFlops." TMC document, 11/91

"Intel is the first to offer a proven technology path to take you to TeraFlops." Intel brochure, 11/91

There are three rules for programming parallel computers. We just don't know what they are yet.

Gary Montry





Rules of Parallel Programming?

- 1) Focus on Scalability
- 2) Refer to Rule #1
- 3) Refer to Rule #2

Integrate Distributed Computing



Specialized servers and services Closely integrated "system image"





Balance Communication/Computation



Scalable Operating System







Build In Scalable RAS Features



Scalable Administration







Scale Applications

Materials

- electronic structure (BANDPW)
- quantum chemistry (QUEST)
- MD for molecules (ParBond)
- MD for metals (ParaDyn)
- grain growth evolution (PGG)
- gas separation and adsorption
- GCMD for diffusion
- Quantum Monte Carlo
- Hartree Fock Methods
- electron microscopy (PMC)

Signal and Image Processing

- SAR image simulation (SRIM)
- radar signatures (XPATCH)
- phase gradient autofocus (PGA)
- seismic modeling
- acoustic beam formation for ASW
- magnetic resonance imaging

Engineering Simulations

- shock physics (PCTH)
- low density flows (DSMC)
- chemically reacting flows (SALSA)
- structural mechanics
- integrated shock/structures (ALEGRA)
- combustion
- inverse scattering for semiconductor manufacturing
- ocean modeling
- electromagnetism
- aerodynamics
- integrated thermal/solid mechanics (DELTA)

Information Processing

- cryptanalysis
- tracking and correlating

"When you come to a fork in the road – take it."

Yogi Berra





Some Future Challenges

- Unbundled building blocks
 - nodes, interconnect technologies, system software, programming environment
- Load balancing and heterogeneity
- Abstract system views
 - -e.g. application configuration independence
- Automated system discovery and configuration (plug & play)
- Fault tolerance
- Simplifying system integration

PetaFlops in 2007 is Consistent with Historical Evolution







"What is the world's fastest computer and how fast is it?

Currently, it's an HP notebook. It's used on the Space Shuttle to compute orbital position and has been clocked at 17,500 mph."

Robert Hyatt





ASCI Applications Challenges

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What is ASCI?

Accelerated Strategic Computing Initiative Goal

- Computational simulation as a tool for addressing safety, reliability, and performance issues in the absence of nuclear testing
- ► Structure
 - 1 Program/3 Labs (LANL, LLNL, Sandia, DOE HQ)
 - Applications & Problem Solving Environment
 - Platform strategies
 - Red, Blue Pacific, Blue Mountain, ...(and more)
 - Alliances, Pathforward, ...

Simulation Objectives

- Physics
 - > 3D highly resolved multi-material complex geometries with large deformations
 - multiple spatially-collocated coupled physical processes
- Computer Science
 - portability & standards
 - languages, APIs, distributed & shared memory
 - scalable parallel processing
 - 1 million to 1 billion mesh sizes
 - Order(1K to 10K) CPUs





Programming Approaches

- Start with current defacto standards
 - portability & longevity
 - better leveraging through broad user-base
 - ► lower risk
- Building blocks
 - ► C++, Fortran90, & C languages
 - MPI & domain decomposition
 - ► add multiprocessing as 2nd step
 - a wish for good parallelizing compilers
 - within each domain or across domains







Blanca Project

Regular structured grids



X(imax,jmax)

$$X(i,j) - X(i+1,j)$$

Blanca Codes

- Tecolote-2
 - multidimensional Eulerian/ALE hydro
 - POOMA C++ OO framework
 - data distribution, methods, & MPI/threads
 - multiple ordered data blocks per PE
 - domain overloading
 - variable data per cell
- Euler (quick port)
 - ► Fortran90 & MPI "cshifts"
 - > one ordered data block per variable per PE
 - 1 or M data per cell





Crestone Project

Regular base grid with cell-by-cell adaptive refinement



Crestone Codes

Rage90

- multidimensional Eulerian rad-hydro
- Fortran90 with MPI communications
 MPI global gather/scatter exchanges
- oct-tree data stored in 1D arrays with index arrays for connections
 - arbitrary cell ordering within each PE
 - one dynamic array per "physics" variable
 - variable data can be packed per cell
 - data count changes every time step
- > export controlled





Shavano Project

Unstructured polyhedron grids



X(imax) Index(neigh)

X(i) - X(Index(n))

Shavano Codes

- Flag code
 - multidimensional multiple-grid hydro
 - Fortran77 & C & data storage framework
 - polyhedral finite difference meshes
 - ID data arrays with storage manager
- Chad & Dante codes (alternate track)
 - > 3D Eulerian hydro and transport
 - Fortran90 & MPI library for gather/scatter
 - hexahedral non-moving finite elements
 - ► 1D data arrays with index arrays





Parallel Scalability Issues: Now and in the Future

Load Balancing

spatial decomposition at least

- $> 10^4$ to 10^6 cells/PE (think crudely: 20³ to 100³)
- possible additional decompositions over energy, etc., but with more communication
- possible domain overloading

dynamic in time

- even if the grid is static!
 - e.g. mixed materials & turbulent jets
- everyone is moving toward adaptivity
- work monitoring & migration necessary
- more domains aggravate the situation





Load Balancing

multi-physics timestep

- inherent imbalances
 - mixed materials, regional physics, particle field vs. grid views, AMR levels
- timestep example:
 - 1. global explicit physics
 - 2. zone-local (zero-D) region-restricted physics
 - 3. global implicit physics
- > different decompositions per physics?
 - more data motion/copying
 - higher communications









Sparse Matrix Solvers

millions to billions of unknowns

- bigger problem sizes on bigger machines
- convergence problems
 - huge number of degrees of freedom
 - are existing methods robust enough?
 - required iterations likely to increase
- is parallel irregular multigrid an answer?

performance

- time-to-solution not parallel speedup
- latency problems because of limited FLOPs per communicated element

Software Development

compilers/languages

- C++ and Fortran90 need to mature more
- parallelizing compilers
 - support for C++, Fortran90, & C with mixedlanguage compatibility
 - scalability limit & tradeoffs with MPI
- ► Fortran90 + MPI
 - copy-in/copy-out + asynchronous operations
 - user-derived types
 - "choice" arguments & strong typing
 - Fortran95 & MPI-2 are not enough
- true parallel languages or extensions





Software Development

debuggers

- need solid support for the latest languages and newest features
- support for all parallel features
 - MPI
 - irregular distributed data
 - parallelizing compilers
 - threads
- usability on large parallel systems
- visualizations instead of prints

Software Development

- parallel I/O
 - simple methods not scalable
 - 1 file per MPI process
 - single PE I/O with MPI gather/scatter
 - need a proven widely-supported API
 - standard and good implementations
 - parallel reads/writes to single logical files on high performance parallel filesystems
 - need for high-level self-describing files, not just fast low-level binary I/O





Better Physics

- better fidelity demands not just higher resolution but better physics as well
- more effort to develop & incorporate new physics since they need to be parallel implementations

The job is never done!









Day-to-Day Programmatic Usage of 100 TFLOP/s Systems Demands Careful Balance in the Overall Computing Environment

ASCI Session at Salishan Conference April 23, 1997 Dr. Mark K. Seager Asst. Department Head Scientific Computing and Communications Department seager@llnl.gov

Salishan Conference April 21 - 26, 1997

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Computation Directorate
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Setting for 100 TF Machine



★ CY2004

- » Al Gore starting second term
- » BART establishing service to SFO
- » Bullet Train between Sacramento and LA

★ Technology Trends

- » "Processors" achieve ~8 GF performance
- » 100 TF machine is ~12,500 processors
- » Power about 5-10 MWatt
- » Cooling about 1,500-2,300 Tons (3-4 MWatt power)
- » 5,000-15,000 FT² floorspace



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★ Mission Driven Ratios

- » 2.5 TB Memory
- » 2.5 Tb/s Bi-Sectional B/W
- » 3.0 TeraFLOP/s Peak
- » 75 TB Disk
- » 90 GB/s I/O B/W



FLOP/s

Storage

Runtime/

Turnaround

Single User vs. Production Use







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- ★ Most calculations are "steared" in a batch sense.
- ★ Frequent interaction with archived data
- ★ Frequent need to visualize mesh, mesh based variables and materials













Innovative approaches to storage, networking and visualization must be developed and deployed on a large scale.

