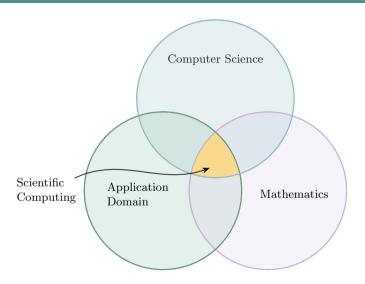
Irregular Parallelism and Dynamically Data-Intensive Computation

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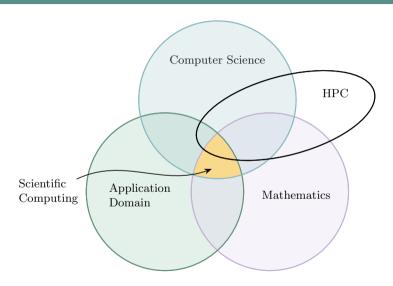
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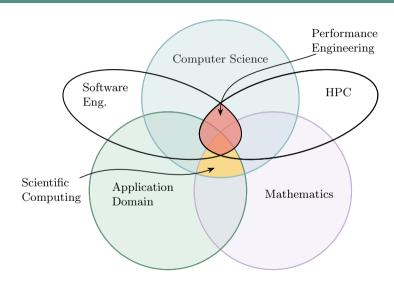
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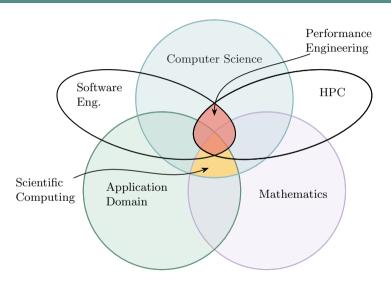
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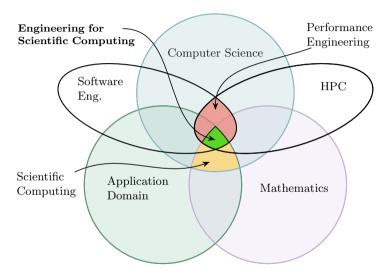
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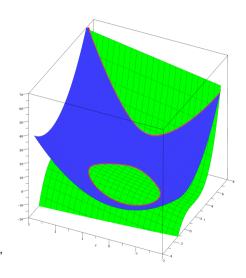
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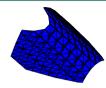
Motivating Application: Solving Systems of Equations

Find
$$x, y, z$$
 satisfying
$$F = \begin{cases} a(x, y, z) = 0 \\ b(x, y, z) = 0 \\ c(x, y, z) = 0 \end{cases}$$

- A fundamental problem in scientific computing and application domains
- Numerical methods are effective in practice
 - $\,\,\,\,\downarrow\,\,$ e.g. Newton's method, Homotopy methods, ...
- Symbolic Computation allows computing an exact description of all solutions
 - ↓ foundational for (elliptic-curve) cryptography, robotics, celestial mechanics, signal processing, . . . [14]



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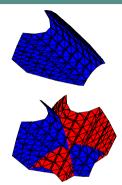


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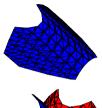
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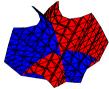


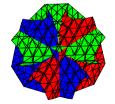
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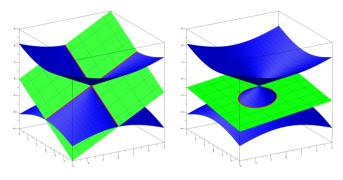
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$$z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Irregular Parallelism in Solving Systems



Cone: $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$

Plane: ax + by + cz = d

- Irregular Parallelism: dissimilar tasks with unpredictable dependencies [16]
- An intersection may fall into several different cases depending on particular values of parameters
- An intersection may produce multiple components
- Discovering existence of multiple components is as difficult as solving those components [ABMMX 23]

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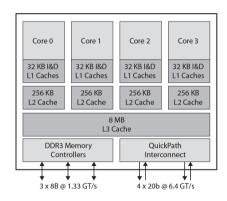
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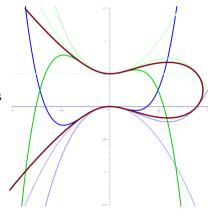
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[BKM 20] [BM 21]



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Why?

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- Underdetermined linear systems, most non-linear systems
- For polynomials of degree > 4, their solutions (usually) cannot be described in *radicals*

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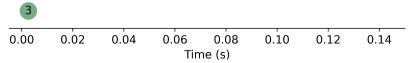
$$W(T) = V(T) \setminus V(h_T)$$

Triangular Decomposition: find T_i s.t.

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{e} W(T_i) = V(F)$$

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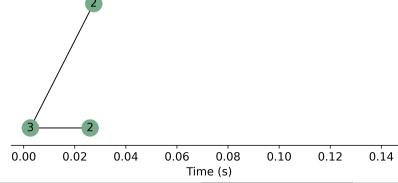


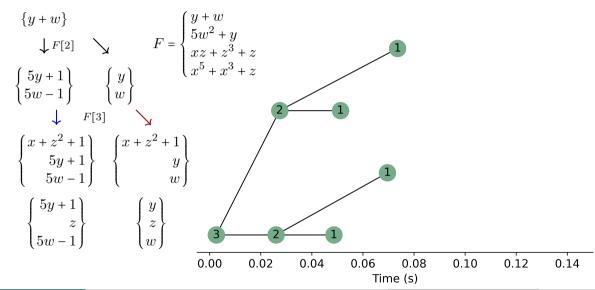
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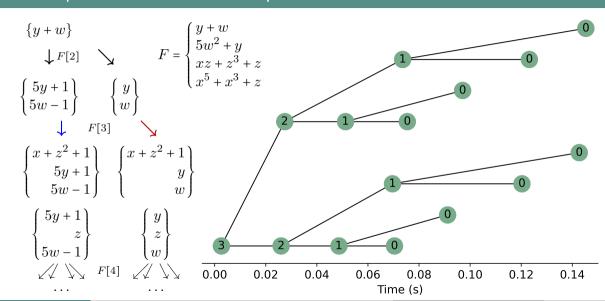
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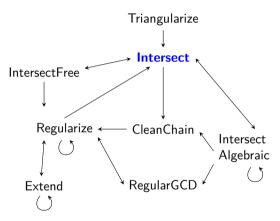
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Algorithms for Triangular Decomposition



Workpile pattern

Algorithm TriangularizeByTasks(F)

- 1: $Tasks := \{ (F, \emptyset) \}; \mathcal{T} := \emptyset$
- 2: while |Tasks| > 0 do
- 3: (P,T) := pop a task from Tasks
- 4: Choose a polynomial $p \in P$; $P' := P \setminus \{p\}$
- 5: **for** T' in **Intersect**(p,T) **do**
 - if |P'| = 0 then $\mathcal{T} \coloneqq \mathcal{T} \cup \{T'\}$
- 7: else $Tasks := Tasks \cup \{(P', T')\}$
- 8: return \mathcal{T}

6:

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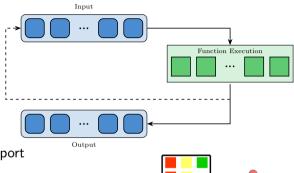
Triangularize Intersect IntersectFree Regularize CleanChain Algebraic RegularGC Extend

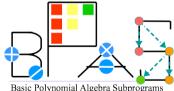
Producer-Consumer, Pipeline patterns

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Algorithm Regularize (p, T)
1: for (q_i, T_i) \in \text{RegularGCD}(p, T_v, T_v^-) do
         if \dim(T_i) < \dim(T_i) then
 3:
             for T_i \in \mathbf{Regularize}(p,T_i) do
 4:
                  vield T_i
 5:
         else if g_i \notin \mathbb{K} and \deg(g_i, v) > 0 then
6:
             vield T_i \cup a_i
 7:
              yield T_i \cup \text{pquo}(T_v, q_i)
              for T_{i,j} \in Intersect(lc(g_i, v), T_i) do
8:
                  for T' \in \mathbf{Regularize}(p, T_{i,j}) do
g.
                       vield T'
10:
11:
         else
12:
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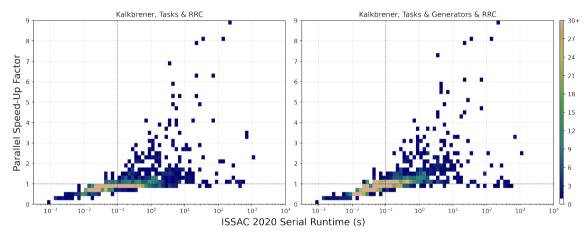
Support for Cooperative Irregular Parallelism

- Object-oriented library on top of C++11 threads [B 22]
- Shared thread pool
- Parallel patterns and their composition:
 - → Map, Workpile, Fork-Join,
- Asynchronous Generators (coroutines) support
 - → Producer-Consumer, Pipeline
- Priority threads allow temporary oversubscription
 - Start coarse-grained tasks as soon as possible
 - □ Prioritize tasks with potential to expose more parallelism
 - Self-regulating distribution of resources





Parallel Speedup in Triangular Decomposition



Parallel speedup on 12 cores [ABMMX 20]

Range of Regularity in Parallelism

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{2,1} & a_{3,1} & a_{4,1} \\ \hline a_{1,2} & a_{2,2} & a_{3,2} & a_{4,2} \\ a_{1,3} & a_{2,3} & a_{3,3} & a_{4,3} \\ a_{1,4} & a_{2,4} & a_{3,4} & a_{4,4} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{2,1} & b_{3,1} & b_{4,1} \\ b_{1,2} & b_{2,2} & b_{3,2} & b_{4,2} \\ b_{1,3} & b_{2,3} & b_{3,3} & b_{4,3} \\ b_{1,4} & b_{2,4} & b_{3,4} & b_{4,4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1,1} & c_{2,1} & c_{3,1} & c_{4,1} \\ c_{1,2} & c_{2,2} & c_{3,2} & c_{4,2} \\ c_{1,3} & c_{2,3} & c_{3,3} & c_{4,3} \\ c_{1,4} & c_{2,4} & c_{3,4} & c_{4,4} \end{bmatrix}$$

Regular parallelism:

→ algorithms guaranteed to decompose into independent tasks regardless of problem instance

→ Regular and data parallelism well-supported by AVX, AMX, Cilk, OpenMP, TBB, CUDA



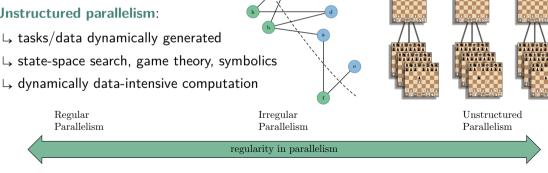
Range of Regularity in Parallelism

Irregular parallelism:

- → sparse data structures, graphs
- → available parallelism changes with each problem instance

Unstructured parallelism:

- → state-space search, game theory, symbolics



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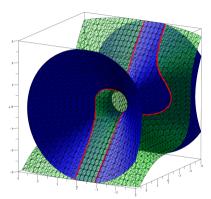
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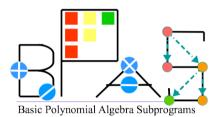
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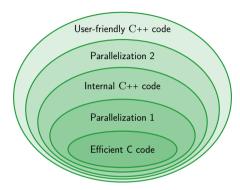
- Open-source library for fundamental polynomial data structures, arithmetic, operations [BAMM 19]
- Finite fields, integers, rational numbers, intervals
- GCDs, factorization [B 2022]
- Polynomial system solving [ABMMX 20], [ABMMX 23]
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- Optimized for cache complexity and multicore execution; generic support for composed parallelism [B 22]
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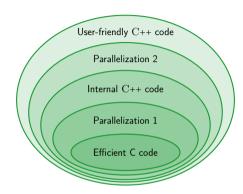
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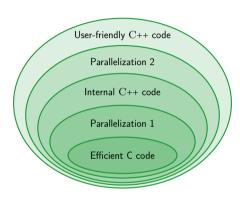
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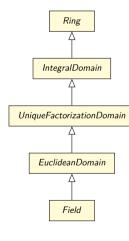
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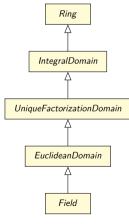
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template <class Derived>
class EuclidDomain : GCDDomain < Derived > {
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    };
class Integer : EuclidDomain < Integer > {};
//Integer remainder(const Integer div);
class RationalPoly : EuclidDomain < RatonalPoly > {};
//RationalPoly remainder(const RationalPoly div);
Integer x; RationalPoly p;
//compiler error: EuclidDomain < RationalPoly > ::
    remainder takes RationalPoly as parameter
RationalPoly r = p.remainder(x):
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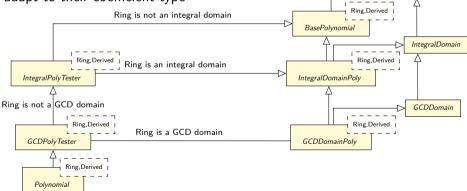
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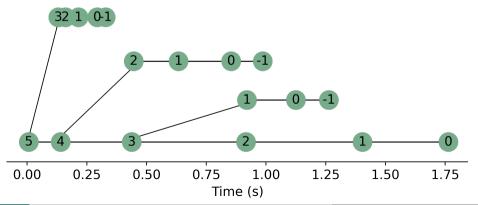
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- Can types defined in the interactive environment be used in algebraic class hierarchy?



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- Continued development of cooperative parallelism for irregular applications
- Metrics to quantify success of per-problem irregular parallelism speed-up

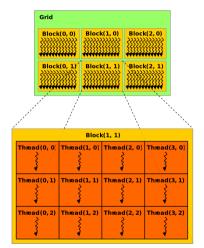


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- Program parameters: values which control how tasks and mapped to resources
- Particularly important for CUDA as thread block configurations [BMMPW 19]
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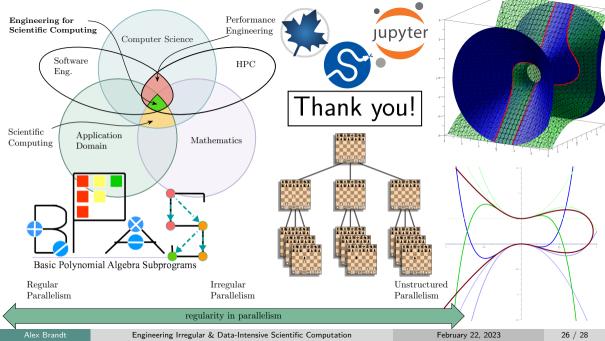
- No formal proof of tractability of SOFTWARE MODULARIZATION exists
- Model as a graph problem which considers inter-module edges and intra-module edges
- Provably near-optimal approximation algorithms

Research Vision in a Post-Moore Era of Computing

With the end of *Moore's Law*:

- 1 Performance engineering in symbolic and scientific computation
- Design and engineer lasting, high-performance, easy-to-use mathematic software
- Software engineering practices for scientific research software, end-user programming

"Only by building on top of high-quality, high-performing, reusable code can researchers hope for the continued development of novel software solutions to scientific problems."



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