MADNESS



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I. MADNESS

- Multiresolution Adaptive Numerical Environment for Scientific Simulation
- "Environment for prototyping and developing scientific applications using multiresolution analysis and low separation rank methods"
- Project Developers include George Fann, Robert Harrison, Gregory Beylkin, and Rebecca Hartman-Baker



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Computing Goals

- Run on leadership supercomputers; e.g., ORNL's Jaguar Cray XT5, Argonne's BlueGene/P, more advanced future systems
- Compute using O(10³–10⁵⁾ processors
- Solve problems resulting in trees with millions or billions of nodes



Representing a Function

- In multiresolution analysis, represent function in scaling function space: a chain of embedded, closed subspaces
- Telescoping subspaces translate into tree form



 Adaptive refinement and truncation of coefficients means not all intervals may be subdivided



Representing a Function

- Same form for multiple dimensions
- Trees
 - Result of adaptive refinement of spatial domain
 - 2-D: quadtrees 3-D: octrees
 - O(10⁶)–O(10⁹) nodes in trees derived from target problems





Implementation of MADNESS

- Original proof-of-concept was written in Python
- New MADNESS written in C++
- Object-oriented design
- User transparency





from http://xkcd.com/c292.html





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Load Distribution in MADNESS March 12, 2008

Synthetic Test Problem

(work by Hartman-Baker, et al.)

- Sum of Gaussians, with accuracy threshold 10⁻¹²
- Approximate using multiwavelet degree k
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 - 2.06×10⁶ nodes
 - 2.25×10⁸ coefficients
- Benefit of load balancing declines as amount of work per processor shrinks





Application Problem

(work by Hartman-Baker, et al.)

- Compute Coulomb potential of lattice of 4096 copper atoms
- Rising cost of load balancing is indictment of hashed distribution
- Act of load balancing comparable in cost to simple mathematical operation (e.g. projection)





More on MADNESS

- URLs
 - MADNESS: http://www.csm.ornl.gov/ccsg/html/projects/madness.html
 - MADNESS code repository: http://code.google.com/p/m-a-d-n-e-s-s/
 - SCIDAC project webpage: http://www.csm.ornl.gov/~hqi/scidac/
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