GAMUT: Matrix Multiplication-like Tasks on GPUs

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Matrix Multiplication in Data Science

Matrix multiplication is commonly used in data science

P[i][k]: Weight vector of person i’s taste
R[k][j]: Style vector of restaurant j
C[i][j]: How much person i prefers to eat at restaurant j

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for(i = 0; i < M; i++)
    for(k = 0; k < K; k++)
        for(j = 0; j < N; j++)
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Data science task using matrix multiplication to calculate people’s preferences for eating at different restaurants
Variations of Matrix Multiplication in Data Science

P[i][k]: Weight vector of person i’s taste
R[k][j]: Style vector of restaurant j
Pzip[i]: Zipcode of person i
Rzip[j]: Zipcode restaurant j
C[i][j]: How much people at zipcode i prefers to eat at restaurants at zipcode j

for(i = 0; i < M; i++)
    for(k = 0; k < K; k++)
        for(j = 0; j < N; j++)
            C[Pzip[i]][Rzip[j]] += P[i][k]*R[k][j];

Data science task using matrix multiplication to calculate people’s preferences for eating at different restaurants, grouped by zipcode
Variations of Matrix Multiplication in Data Science

A[i][k]: Weight of observation i for feature k
B[k][j]: Strength of feature k at location j
thres[j]: Threshold at which to amplify high single products
R[i][j]: Weighted strength for each observation i at location j

for(i = 0; i < M; i++)
  for(k = 0; k < K; k++)
    for(j = 0; j < N; j++)
      R[i][j] += A[i][k]*B[k][j] +
        (A[i][k]*B[k][j]>thres[i])*(A[i][k]*B[k][j] - thres[i]);

ML task that amplifies high signals in matrix multiplication
Motivation

Variations of matrix multiplication are useful in data science

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• Libraries only support a limited class of manually tuned computations
• Deep learning compilers require significant time for optimizations
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If such tasks were easy and fast to execute, it would lead to the discovery of more useful tasks and ML models

We propose GAMUT, a library that automatically generates fast code for matrix multiplication-like tasks for the GPU with low compilation overhead.
Matrix Multiplication for GPUs

GPU Architecture

Programmable

Not programmable

Core \( \downarrow \) Core \( \downarrow \) Core \( \downarrow \) Core \( \downarrow \)

Regs

Shared memory

Shared memory

L2 Cache

Global Memory
Matrix Multiplication for GPUs

GPU Architecture

Matrix Multiplication (Global memory)

Global Memory

L2 Cache

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Matrix Multiplication (Shared memory)
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GPU Architecture

Matrix Multiplication (Registers)

Matrix Multiplication (Shared memory)
Variations of Matrix Multiplication

Variations of matrix multiplication can be created in two ways.

1. Change the inner computation → Change loading process of MM

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2. Change how results are stored → Change storing process of MM

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   C[Pzip[i]][Rzip[j]] += P[i][k]*R[k][j];
   ```
Changing Inner Computation

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1. Parse inner computation and generate instructions

2. Load additional data used in computation (e.g. thres[i])
   → Use different loading strategy depending on how data is indexed
      (e.g. thres[j], thres[i][j])
Matrix Multiplication for GPUs

GPU Architecture

Matrix Multiplication and thres[ ] (Shared memory)

Matrix Multiplication and thres[ ] (Global memory)
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Changing Result Storage

for(i = 0; i < M; i++) for(...) for(...)
    C[Pzip[i]][Rzip[j]] += P[i][k]*R[k][j];

GAMUT recognizes how the results are written (e.g. using predetermined locations, to sparse array) and generates code accordingly.
Changing Result Storage

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GPU Architecture

MM Result and Pzip, Rzip (Shared Memory)

Result Location (Global memory)

Atomic Add
Changing Result Storage

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```

```
for(i = 0; i < M; i++) for(j = 0; j < N; j++)
    accum = 0;
    for(k = 0; k < K; k++)
        accum += P[i][k]*R[k][j];
    accum > thres ? C_sparse.add(accum)
```

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for(i = 0; i < M; i++) for(j = 0; j < N; j++)
    accum = 0;
    for(k = 0; k < K; k++)
        accum += P[i][k]*R[k][j];
    min_heap_100.add(accum)
```
Parameter finding

Upon installation, GAMUT finds the optimal block sizes \((M_b, N_b, K_b, M_t, \ldots)\) for \textit{matrix multiplication} (done once).

When a new query is encountered, GAMUT \textit{incrementally scales the tile sizes up or down} to fit the memory of the streaming processors.

The hash of the parse tree of the query, along with the block sizes, is saved so that \textit{the same query can be executed immediately in the future}. 
Baselines

cuBLAS, CUTLASS: Commonly used matrix multiplication libraries for the GPU
- Fast performance for matrix multiplication
- Unable to support matrix multiplication-like tasks in general

Apache TVM: Popular deep learning compiler, able to optimize DL workloads for a variety of hardware.
- Able to support tasks with different inner computations
- Unable to support tasks that change result storage without generating intermediate results
Experiment Results (Compilation)

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Standard Matrix Multiplication

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Compilation time for matrix multiplication

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TVM Compilation time for matrix multiplication
Experiment Results (Compilation)

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**Matrix multiplication-like task**

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**TVM Compilation time for matrix multiplication-like task**
Experiment Results (Execution Time)

Matrix order: 16k
Unit: Seconds
(lower is better)

Standard Matrix Multiplication

Matrix Multiplication-like Task
## Experiment Results Summary

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Conclusion

GAMUT is a library that can **optimize matrix multiplication-like tasks for the GPU**. GAMUT has similar performance to state-of-the-art matrix multiplication libraries, while having faster compilation time, better performance, and more flexibility than deep learning compilers.

We expect GAMUT will **improve productivity for common data analysis tasks and facilitate research in the ML community** by allowing scientists to write simple code that is also very efficient.

https://github.com/xxcisxxc/GAMUT-release