

# Fast Multipole Methods

## Lecture 8

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# Matrix vector product

$$\mathbf{v} = \Phi \mathbf{u},$$

$$\Phi_{ji} = \Phi(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{x}_i), \quad j = 1, \dots, M, \quad i = 1, \dots, N,$$

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{11} & \Phi_{12} & \dots & \Phi_{1N} \\ \Phi_{21} & \Phi_{22} & \dots & \Phi_{2N} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \Phi_{M1} & \Phi_{M2} & \dots & \Phi_{MN} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{x}_1) & \Phi(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) & \dots & \Phi(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{x}_N) \\ \Phi(\mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{x}_1) & \Phi(\mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{x}_2) & \dots & \Phi(\mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{x}_N) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \Phi(\mathbf{y}_M, \mathbf{x}_1) & \Phi(\mathbf{y}_M, \mathbf{x}_2) & \dots & \Phi(\mathbf{y}_M, \mathbf{x}_N) \end{pmatrix}$$

Entries of matrix are known as a function of two point sets in  $\mathbb{R}^d$

$$v_j = \sum_{i=1}^N u_i \Phi(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{x}_i), \quad j = 1, \dots, M.$$

Matrix completely characterized by these points and the function  $\Phi$

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{X} = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N\}, \quad \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, \\ \mathbf{Y} = \{\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_M\}, \quad \mathbf{y}_j \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad j = 1, \dots, M. \end{array}$$

## Jargon

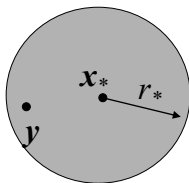
- $\mathbf{x}_i$  is the center of the source or “mother function”
- $\Phi$  is the mother function
  - It is often singular
- $\mathbf{y}$  is the evaluation point
- $\mathbf{x}_*$  is the expansion center

## Factorization and power series

- Wish to factorize the entries of this function in a way that the “entanglement” of the point sets is broken
- Write it as a  $p$  term sum in which each term involves a product of a function of  $x$  alone and  $y$  alone
- Most functions do not allow a finite factorization
- Furthermore, functions of interest may be singular
  - Factorizations may only be valid inside or outside a neighborhood

## Regular Function Expansion

Given a function known to be regular in a given domain centered around the point  $\mathbf{x}_*$   
Expand the function in a series



Location of center  $\mathbf{x}_i$  does not matter

We may want to choose  $\mathbf{x}_*$  to control the number of terms

$$\Phi(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_i) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_*) R_m(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_*)$$

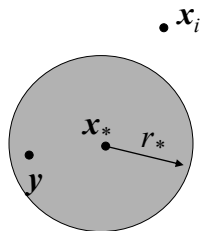
Basis  
Functions

Expansion  
Coefficients

*We also call this the local or R-expansion, since basis functions  $R_m$  should be regular*

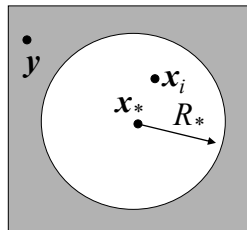
# Expansions of a Singular Potential

*Local*



$$|y - x_*| < r_* \leq |x_i - x_*|$$

*Singular or Multipole*



$$|y - x_*| > R_* \geq |x_i - x_*|$$

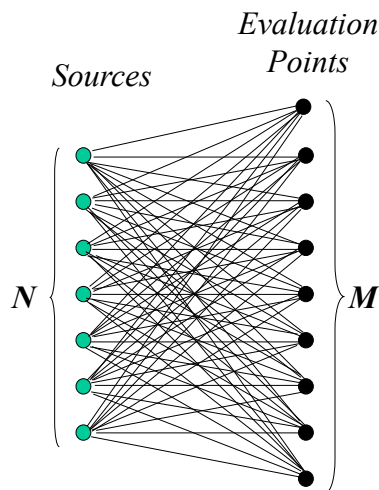
*Because  $x_i$  is a singular point, there are two types of expansions:*

*Local in a finite neighborhood that excludes  $x_i$*

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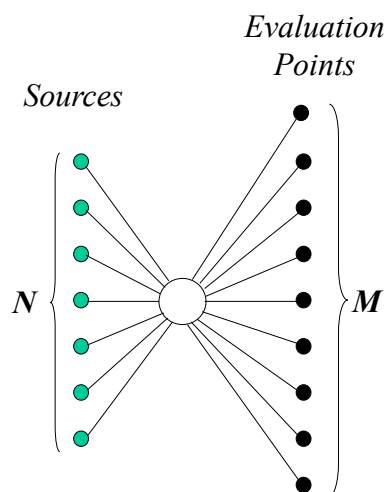
## Middleman Algorithm

*Standard algorithm*



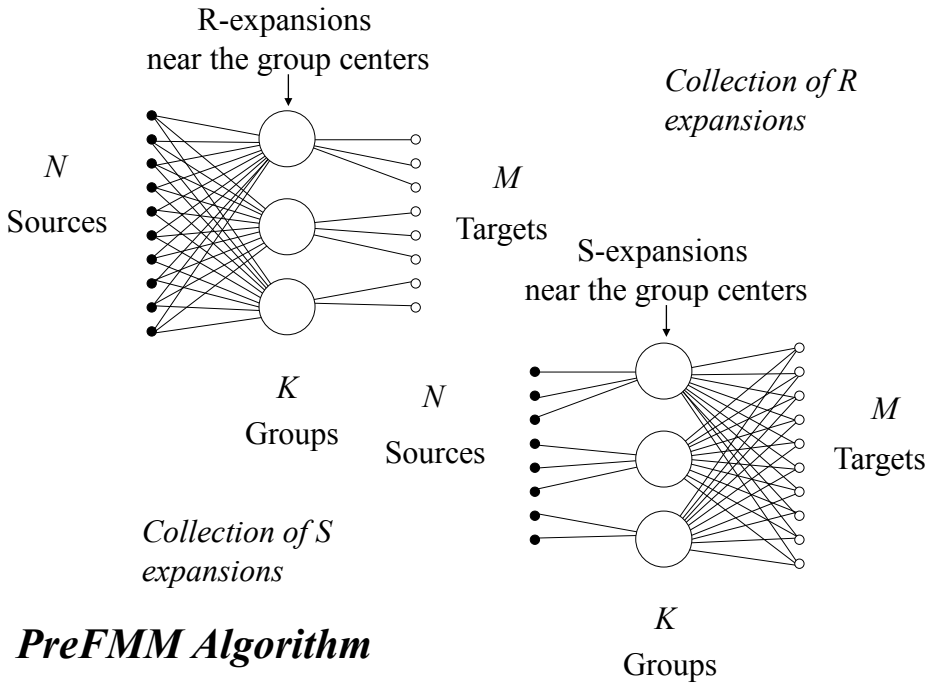
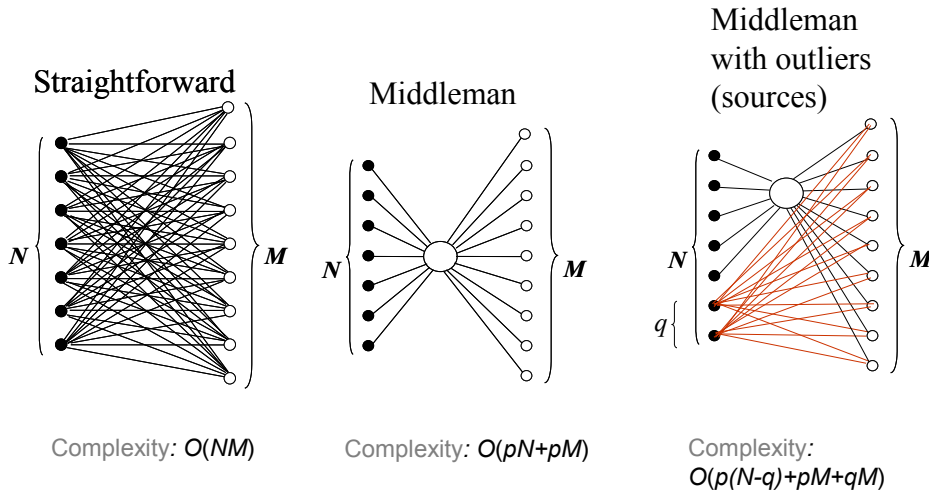
*Total number of operations:  $O(NM)$*

*Middleman algorithm*

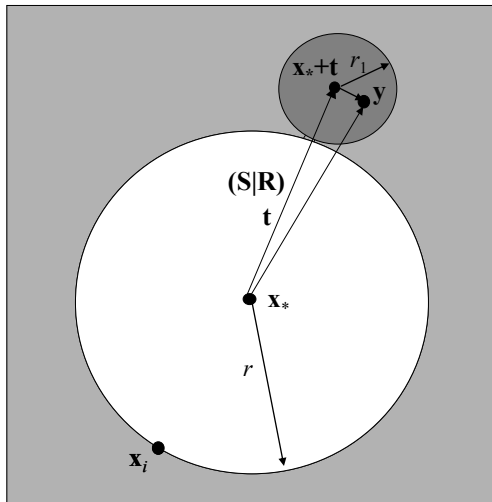


*Total number of operations:  $O(Np+Mp)$*

# Modification of the “Middleman” for outliers



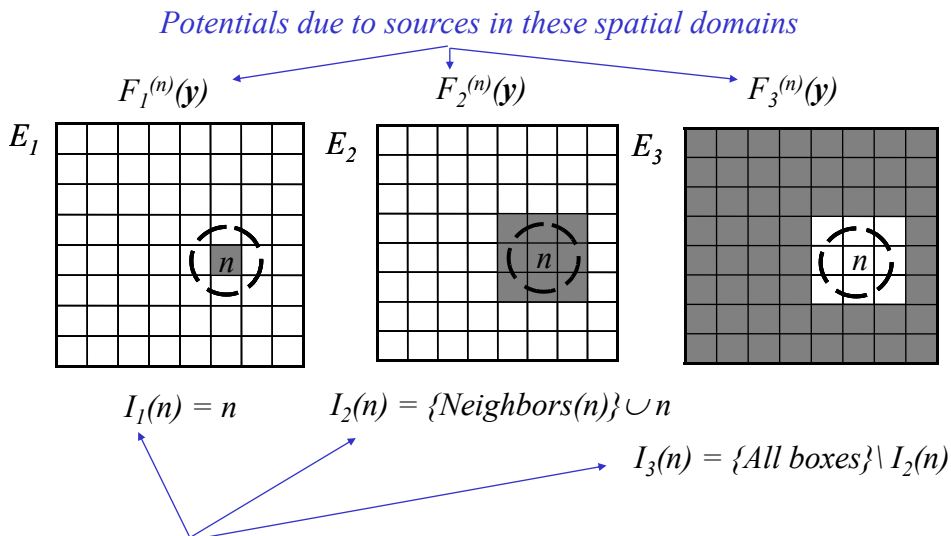
# Multipole-to-Local S|R Translation



- Given an S-expansion centered around  $x_*$  and valid outside the white circle (in the shaded region)
- Create an expansion of the same function, valid in the dark shaded region
- Since the function is regular in this region we can build a regular expansion here
- Both the S-expansion and the R-expansion are valid in the dark region

*Both represent the same function object in functional space  
Use different basis functions*

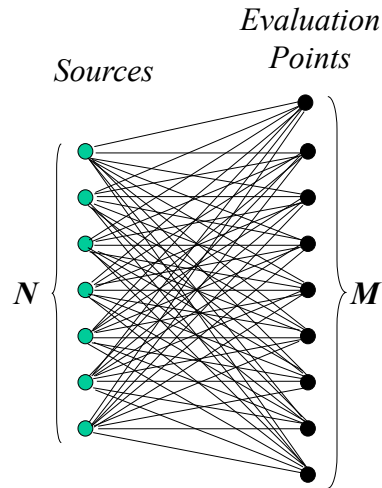
## Using boxes to define regions



*Boxes with these numbers belong to these spatial domains*

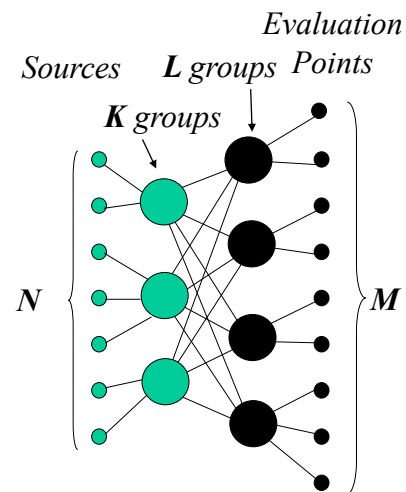
# Idea of a Single Level FMM

*Standard algorithm*



Total number of operations:  $O(NM)$

*SLFMM*



Total number of operations:  $O(N+M+KL)$

## Four Keys in the FMM

- Factorization
- Error
- Translation
- Grouping

## Summary of requirements to use FMM

- Two sets of points: source and target

$$X = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N\}, \mathbf{x}_i \in R^d, \quad i=1, \dots, N$$

$$Y = \{\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_M\}, \mathbf{y}_j \in R^d, \quad j=1, \dots, M$$

- A function defined on the X point set

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}): R^d \times R^d \rightarrow R \quad i=1, \dots, N$$

- Sum of these to be evaluated at the Y points

$$v_j = \sum_{i=1}^N u_i \Phi(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{x}_i), \quad j = 1, \dots, M.$$

- $\Phi(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y})$  has local and far field expansions

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}) = A(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_*) \cdot R(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_*) \quad |\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_*| < r < |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_*|$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}) = B(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_*) \cdot S(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_*) \quad |\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_*| > R > |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_*|$$

## Summary of formal requirements for functions that can be used in FMM

- The product is distributive operation with respect to addition

$$(u_1 A_1 + u_2 A_2) \circ F = u_1 A_1 \circ F + u_2 A_2 \circ F, \quad F = S, R$$

- R-expansion coefficients can be R|R-translated:

$$|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| < |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{*1}| - |\mathbf{x}_{*1} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| :$$

$$A(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*2}) = (R|R)(\mathbf{x}_{*2} - \mathbf{x}_{*1})A(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*1})$$

- S-expansion coefficients can be S|S-translated:

$$|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| > |\mathbf{x}_{*1} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| + |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{*1}|,$$

$$B(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*2}) = (S|S)(\mathbf{x}_{*2} - \mathbf{x}_{*1})B(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*1})$$

- S-expansion coefficients can be S|R-translated (converted to R-expansion coefficients)

$$|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| < |\mathbf{x}_{*1} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| + |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{*1}|,$$

$$A(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*2}) = (S|R)(\mathbf{x}_{*2} - \mathbf{x}_{*1})B(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*1})$$



## Summary of formal requirements for functions that can be used in FMM (2)

- $R$ -expansion coefficients can be  $R|R$ -translated:

$$|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| < |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{*1}| - |\mathbf{x}_{*1} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| :$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*2}) = (\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{R})(\mathbf{x}_{*2} - \mathbf{x}_{*1})\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*1})$$

- $S$ -expansion coefficients can be  $S|S$ -translated:

$$|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| > |\mathbf{x}_{*1} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| + |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{*1}|,$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*2}) = (\mathbf{S}|\mathbf{S})(\mathbf{x}_{*2} - \mathbf{x}_{*1})\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*1})$$

- $S$ -expansion coefficients can be  $S|R$ -translated (converted to  $R$ -expansion coefficients)

$$|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| < |\mathbf{x}_{*1} - \mathbf{x}_{*2}| + |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{*1}|,$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*2}) = (\mathbf{S}|\mathbf{R})(\mathbf{x}_{*2} - \mathbf{x}_{*1})\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{*1})$$

- And we are looking for sums:

$$v_j = \sum_{i=1}^N u_i \Phi(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{x}_i), \quad j = 1, \dots, M.$$

- Some generalization are possible, say instead of  $\Phi(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)$  we can consider  $\Phi_i(\mathbf{y}_j)$ , etc.

## SLFMM Algorithm

Step 1. Generate  $S$ -expansion coefficients  
for each box

$$\Phi_1^{(n)}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{C}^{(n)} \circ \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(n)}),$$

$$\mathbf{C}^{(n)} = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in E_1(n)} u_i \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_c^{(n)}).$$

loop over all non-empty source boxes

For  $n \in \text{NonEmptySource}$

Get  $\mathbf{x}_c^{(n)}$ , the center of the box;

$\mathbf{C}^{(n)} = \mathbf{0}$ ;

For  $\mathbf{x}_i \in E_1(n)$  loop over all sources in the box

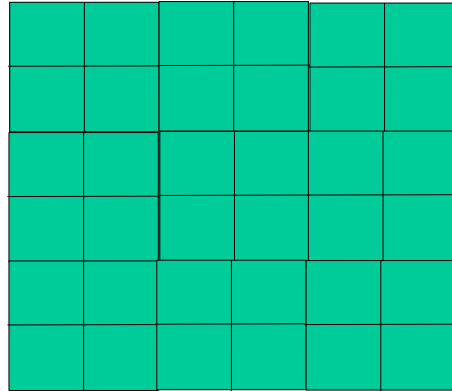
Get  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_c^{(n)})$ , the  $S$ -expansion coefficients  
near the center of the box;

$\mathbf{C}^{(n)} = \mathbf{C}^{(n)} + u_i \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_c^{(n)})$ ;

End;

End;

# S-expansion



## SLFMM Algorithm

### Step 2. (S|R)-translate expansion coefficients

$$\Phi_3^{(n)}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{D}^{(n)} \cdot \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(n)}),$$

$$\mathbf{D}^{(n)} = \sum_{m \in I_3(n)} (\mathbf{S|R})(\mathbf{x}_c^{(n)} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(m)}) \mathbf{C}^{(m)}.$$

loop over all non-empty evaluation boxes

For  $n \in \text{NonEmptyEvaluation}$

Get  $\mathbf{x}_c^{(n)}$ , the center of the box;

$\mathbf{D}^{(n)} = \mathbf{0}$ ;

loop over all non-empty source boxes

For  $m \in I_3(n)$

outside the neighborhood of the  $n$ -th box

Get  $\mathbf{x}_c^{(m)}$ , the center of the box;

$\mathbf{D}^{(n)} = \mathbf{D}^{(n)} + (\mathbf{S|R})(\mathbf{x}_c^{(n)} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(m)}) \mathbf{C}^{(m)}$ ;

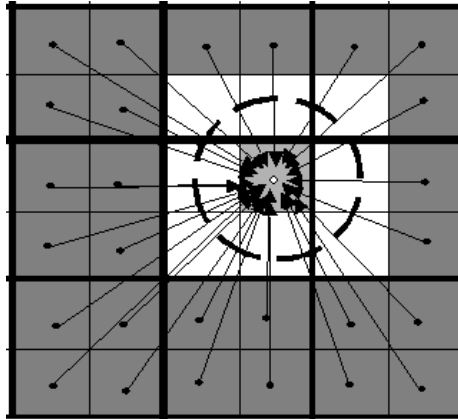
End;

End;

**Implementation can be different!**

**All we need is to get  $\mathbf{D}^{(n)}$ .**

## S|R-translation



## SLFMM Algorithm

### Step 3. Final Summation

$$v_j = \hat{\Phi}(\mathbf{y}_j) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in E_2(n)} \hat{\Phi}(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{x}_i) + \mathbf{D}^{(n)} \circ \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{y}_j - \mathbf{x}_c^{(n)}), \quad \mathbf{y}_j \in E_1(n).$$

*For*  $n \in \text{NonEmptyEvaluation}$  ← loop over all boxes containing evaluation points  
 Get  $\mathbf{x}_c^{(n)}$ , the center of the box;  
*For*  $\mathbf{y}_j \in E_1(n)$  ← loop over all evaluation points in the box  
 $v_j = \mathbf{D}^{(n)} \circ \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{y}_j - \mathbf{x}_c^{(n)});$   
*For*  $\mathbf{x}_i \in E_2(n)$  ← loop over all sources in the neighborhood of the  $n$ -th box  
 $v_j = v_j + \Phi(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{x}_i);$   
*End;*  
*End;*  
*End;*

**Implementation can be different!**  
**All we need is to get  $v_j$**

# Asymptotic Complexity of SLFMM

Assume that:

- By some magic we can easily find neighbors, and lists of points in each box.
- Translation is performed by straightforward  $P \times P$  matrix-vector multiplication, where  $P(p)$  is the total length of the translation vector. So the complexity of a single translation is  $O(P^2)$ .
- The source and evaluation points are distributed uniformly, and there are  $K$  boxes, with  $s$  source points in each box ( $s=N/K$ ). We call  $s$  the *grouping* (or *clustering*) parameter.
- The number of neighbors for each box is  $O(1)$ .

Then Complexity is:

- For Step 1:  $O(PN)$
- For Step 2:  $O(P^2K^2)$
- For Step 3:  $O(PM+Ms)$
- Total:  $O(PN+ P^2K^2 +PM+Ms) =$   
 $O(PN+ P^2K^2 +PM+MN/K)$

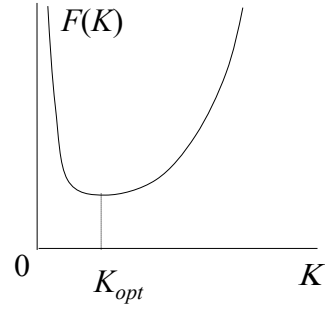
## Selection of Optimal $K$ (or $s$ )

$$F(K) = PN + P^2K^2 + PM + PMN/K.$$

$$F'(K) = 2P^2K - PMN/K^2 = 0.$$

$$K_{opt} = \left(\frac{MN}{2P}\right)^{1/3} = O\left(\left(\frac{MN}{P}\right)^{1/3}\right).$$

$$s_{opt} = \frac{N}{K_{opt}} = \left(\frac{2PN^2}{M}\right)^{1/3} = O\left(\frac{PN^2}{M}\right)^{1/3}.$$



## Complexity of Optimized SLFMM

$$\begin{aligned} F(K_{opt}) &= PN + P^2\left(\frac{MN}{2P}\right)^{2/3} + PM + PMN\left(\frac{MN}{2P}\right)^{-1/3} \\ &= P(M+N) + (MN)^{2/3}O(P^{4/3}). \end{aligned}$$

At  $K = K_{opt}$ , and  $M = O(N)$ , the complexity of SLFMM is:

$$O(PN + P^{4/3}N^{4/3}) = O(P^{4/3}N^{4/3}).$$

## Example of Complexity:

$$P = 10, N = 10^5$$

Straightforward  $O(N^2)$ : Complexity  $\sim 10^{10}$

SLFMM  $O((PN)^{4/3})$ : Complexity  $\sim 10^8$

100 Times CPU savings !

$$P = 10, N = 10^8$$

Straightforward  $O(N^2)$ : Complexity  $\sim 10^{16}$

SLFMM  $O((PN)^{4/3})$ : Complexity  $\sim 10^{12}$

10000 Times CPU savings !

Sorry, but my PC  
cannot solve such  
a problem!

