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Fast Multipole Methods

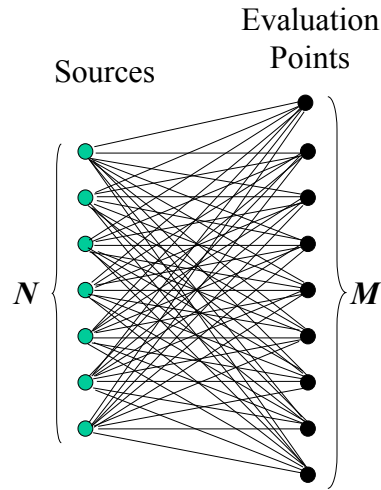
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Lecture 9

## Outline

- Basic Idea of Multilevel FMM (MLFMM);
- Formal Requirements for Functions (Potentials) in MLFMM;
- Setting Hierarchical Data Structure;
  - Hierarchical Domains and Associated Potentials (Functions);
  - Dimensionality Limits;
- MLFMM Algorithm;
  - Structure of the Algorithm;
  - Upward Pass;
  - Downward Pass;
  - Final Summation.

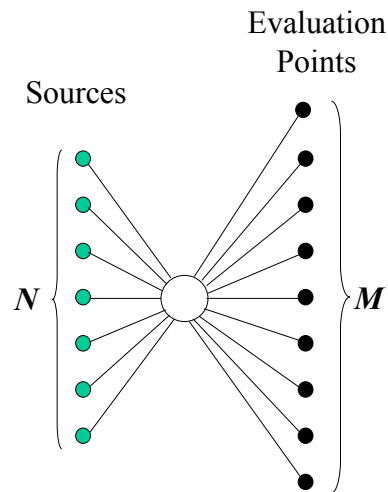
# Middleman Algorithm

**Standard algorithm**



Total number of operations:  $O(NM)$

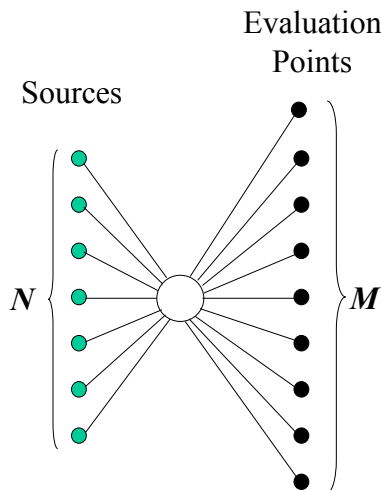
**Middleman algorithm**



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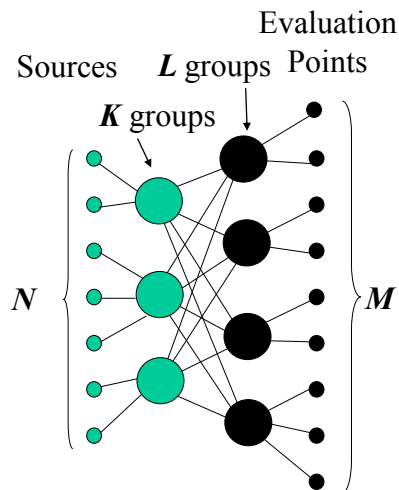
# Single Level FMM

**Middleman algorithm**

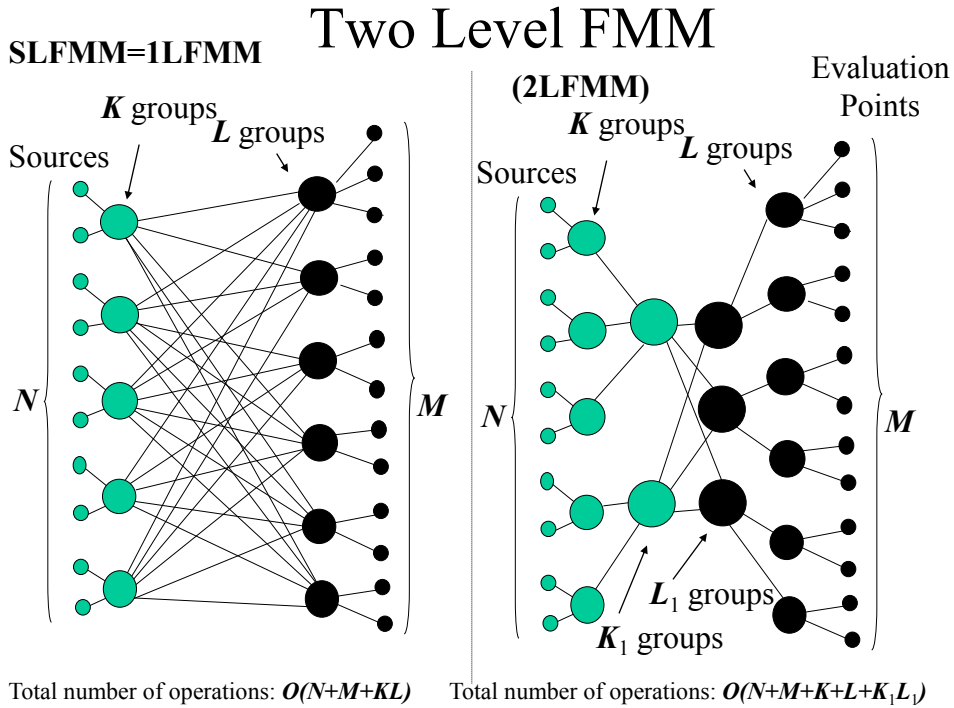


Total number of operations:  $O(N+M)$

**SLFMM**



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



$K \times L$ -interaction of two groups  
can be reduced by further  
grouping to  $K+L+K_1L_1$

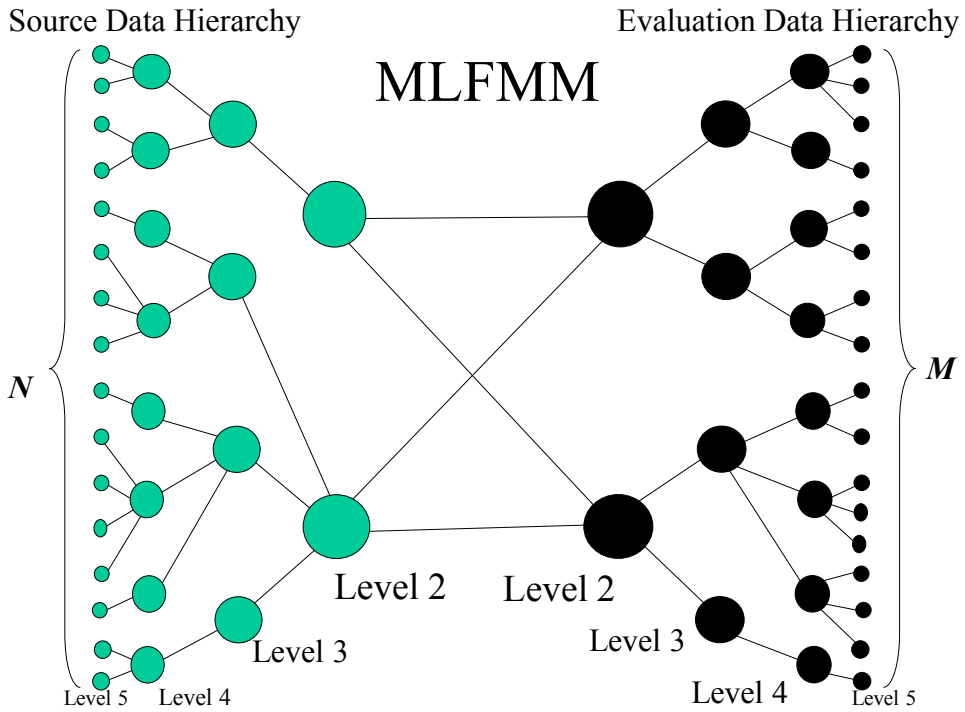
Indeed, if  $K=nK_1$ ,  $L=mL_1$ , then

$$K+L+K_1L_1 = nK_1 + mL_1 + K_1L_1,$$

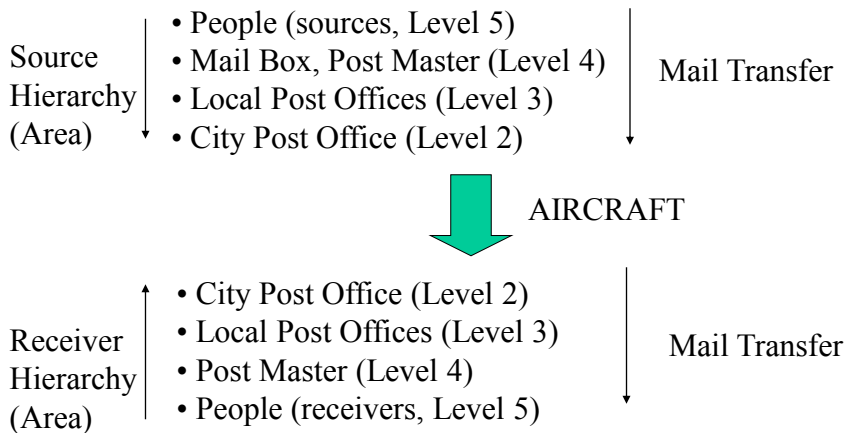
$$\text{while } KL = nmK_1L_1.$$

Problem for Thinking: What are conditions for  $n, m, K_1, L_1$  to have

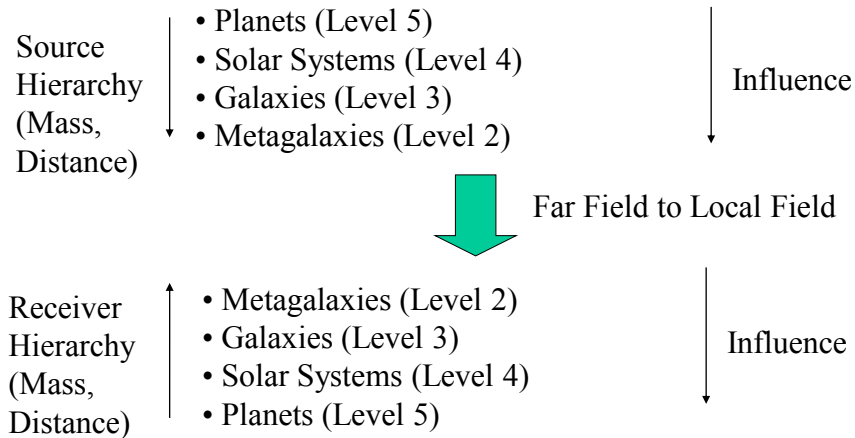
$$nmK_1L_1 > nK_1 + mL_1 + K_1L_1?$$



## Example of Multi Level Structure (Post Offices)



# Example of MLFMM (Computation of Gravity Field)



Exercise:

**Create your own example!**

# Complexity of MLFMM

## Definitions:

Upward Pass: Going Up on SOURCE Hierarchy

Downward Pass: Going Down on EVALUATION Hierarchy

We have  $N$  sources. Let us we group them hierarchically. At level  $l$  we have  $N_l$  source groups. Each group at level  $l + 1$  contains  $N_l/S$  sources, so

$$N_{l+1} = N_l/S, \quad l = 2, 3, \dots, L,$$

and

$$N_1 = N.$$

Then the number of operations for the Upward Pass is of order

$$\begin{aligned} N_1 + N_{2-1} + \dots + N_1 &= N + \frac{N}{S} + \frac{N}{S^2} + \dots + \frac{N}{S^{L-1}} \\ &= N \left( 1 + \frac{1}{S} + \dots + \frac{1}{S^{L-1}} \right) = N \frac{1 - 1/S^L}{1 - 1/S} = O(N). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, the number of operations for the Downward Pass is of order  $O(M)$ .

$$\text{MLFMM\_Complexity} = O(M + N) !$$

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

- We have two sets of points:

$$X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N\}, \quad x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad i = 1, \dots, N,$$

$$Y = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_M\}, \quad y_j \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad j = 1, \dots, M.$$

- We have functions (potentials):

$$\Phi(x_i, y) : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad i = 1, \dots, N.$$

- These functions can be factorized as (local expansion):

$$\Phi(x_i, y) = A(x_i, x_i) \cdot R(y - x_i), \quad |y - x_i| < r < |x_i - x_i|, \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

- These functions can be factorized as (far field expansion):

$$\Phi(x_i, y) = B(x_i, x_i) \cdot S(x - x_i), \quad |y - x_i| > R > |x_i - x_i|, \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

- The product is distributive operation with respect to addition

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

## Summary of 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:

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

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

## Two Parts of the MLFMM

- Setting Hierarchical Data Structure  
(MLFMM Constructor)  $O(N \log N + M \log M)$

- MLFMM “Summator”  $O(N+M)$  or  $O(N \log^q N + M \log^q M)$ ,

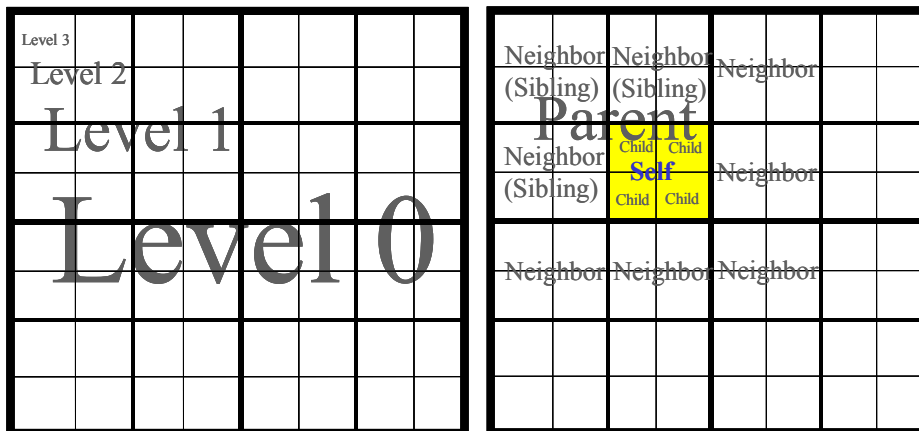
*Will evaluate the complexity in more details later.*

If iterative or multiple solutions of the same system are required, the MLFMM Constructor should be called only once.

# Setting Hierarchical Data Structure

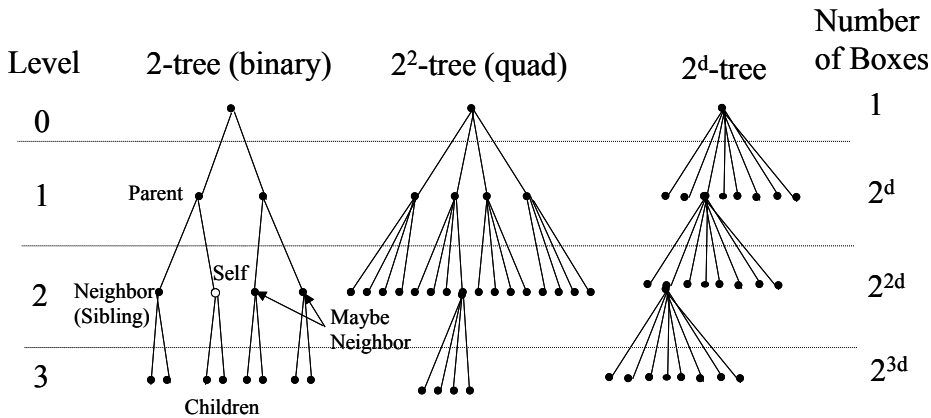
- Scale source and evaluation data to have the computational domain of size of a unit box.
- Sort data (spatially order data) using bit interleaving technique (*In 2 weeks*)
- Determine the level of space subdivision with  $2^d$ -tree to have  $s$  sources at the finest subdivision level,  $L_{max}$  (*In 2 weeks*)
- If you choose to spend memory for trees, neighbor lists, and so on, compute and store information that does not change in the process of execution of the MLFMM solver.

## Hierarchy in $2^d$ -tree





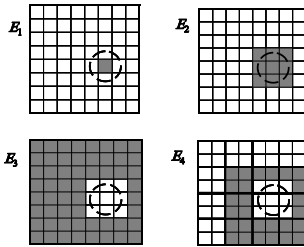
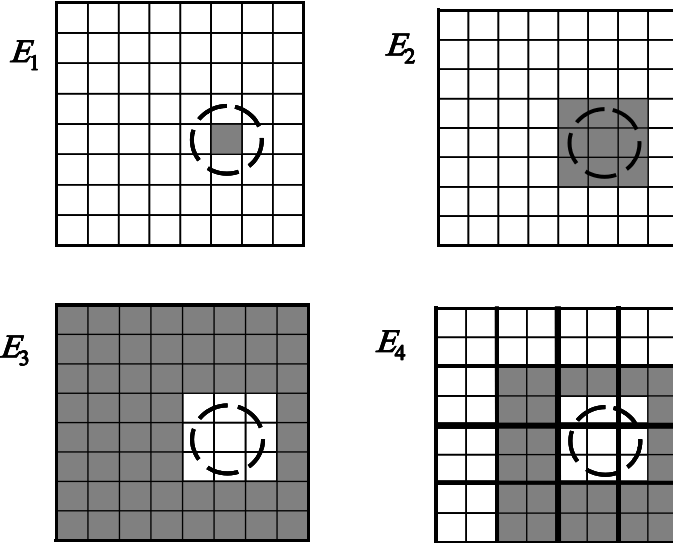
# 2<sup>d</sup>-trees



## Hierarchical Indexing and Functions

- We assign to each box on level  $l$  some number (index)  $n$ ; Global index of any box is  $(n, l)$ .
- We assume that functions, such as  $Parent(n)$ ,  $ChildrenAll(n)$ ,  $Children(X; n, l)$ ,  $NeighborsAll(n, l)$ ,  $Neighbors(X; n, l)$ , for given  $d$ -dimensional data set,  $X$ , are available (will consider in 2 weeks). These functions return sets of indexes of boxes at proper levels which are relatives (or neighbors) to the given box  $(n, l)$ .
- We drop  $X$  in many cases, to have shorter notation.

# Hierarchical Spatial Domains



## Hierarchical Spatial Domains

We accept the hierarchical numbering system described above and define four elements (domains) of fractal structure for each box with number  $n = \text{Number} = 0, \dots, 2^{2l} - 1$  at level  $l = 0, \dots, L$ .

$E_1(n, l) : \mathbb{R}^d$  denotes spatial points *inside* the box  $(n, l)$ ;

$E_2(n, l) : \mathbb{R}^d$  denotes spatial points *inside* the box  $(n, l)$  and its neighbors,

$\langle \langle \text{Neighbor}(n, l), l \rangle \rangle$ ;

$E_3(n, l) = E_2(0, 0) \setminus E_2(n, l)$  denotes spatial points *outside* the box  $(n, l)$  and its neighbors,  $\langle \langle \text{Neighbor}(n, l), l \rangle \rangle$ ;

$E_4(n, l) = E_2(\text{Parent}(n), l-1) \setminus E_2(n, l)$  denotes spatial points *inside* the parent box  $(\text{Parent}(n), l-1)$  and its neighbors,  $\langle \langle \text{Neighbor}(\text{Parent}(n), l-1), l-1 \rangle \rangle$ , from which the domain  $E_2(n, l)$  is excluded.

Accordingly we associate sets of boxes of level  $l$  which constitute each domain  $E_m(n, l)$ . Their numbers we denote as  $I_m(n, l)$ . So we have:

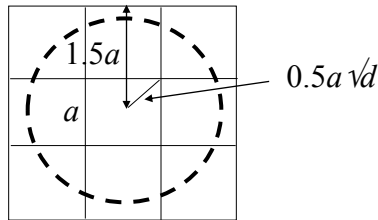
$I_1(n, l) = \langle n, l \rangle$ ;

$I_2(n, l) = \langle \langle n, l \rangle, \langle \text{Neighbor}(n, l), l \rangle \rangle$ ;

$I_3(n, l) = \langle 0, 1, \dots, 2^{2l} - 1 \rangle \setminus \langle n, l \rangle$ ;

$I_4(n, l) = \langle \langle \text{Children}(\text{Neighbor}(\text{Parent}(n), l-1), l-1) \rangle \rangle \setminus \langle \langle n, l \rangle, \langle \text{Neighbor}(n, l), l \rangle \rangle$ .

With Such Neighborhood  
the dimensionality of space  
in FMM cannot exceed  $d=9$ .



$$0.5a\sqrt{d} < 1.5a,$$

$$\sqrt{d} < 3,$$

$$d < 9.$$

In fact, we will show later that  
1-neighborhoods can be used only  
for dimensions  $d < 4$ .

For larger dimensions larger  
neighborhoods should be  
considered (but seems it is  
not practical to use  $2^d$ -trees  
in this case and something  
better should be invented).

## Hierarchical Potentials (Functions)

Based on these domains for each box the following functions (potentials) are defined:

$E_1$		$E_2$		$\Phi_1^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in E_1(n,l)} u_i \Phi(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_i),$
				$\Phi_2^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in E_2(n,l)} u_i \Phi(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_i),$
$E_3$		$E_4$		$\Phi_3^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in E_3(n,l)} u_i \Phi(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_i),$
				$\Phi_4^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in E_4(n,l)} u_i \Phi(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_i),$

Note that since domains  $E_2(n,l)$  and  $E_3(n,l)$  are complementary, and

$$\Phi(\mathbf{y}) = \Phi_2^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y}) + \Phi_3^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y})$$

for arbitrary  $l$  and  $n$ .

# The MLFMM Algorithm (Solver)

- “Build Function” or “Build Potential” means find its expansion coefficients over some basis;
- The MLFMM Algorithm (we also call it sometimes “Regular FMM”) consists of
  - Upward Pass;
  - Downward Pass;
  - Final Summation;

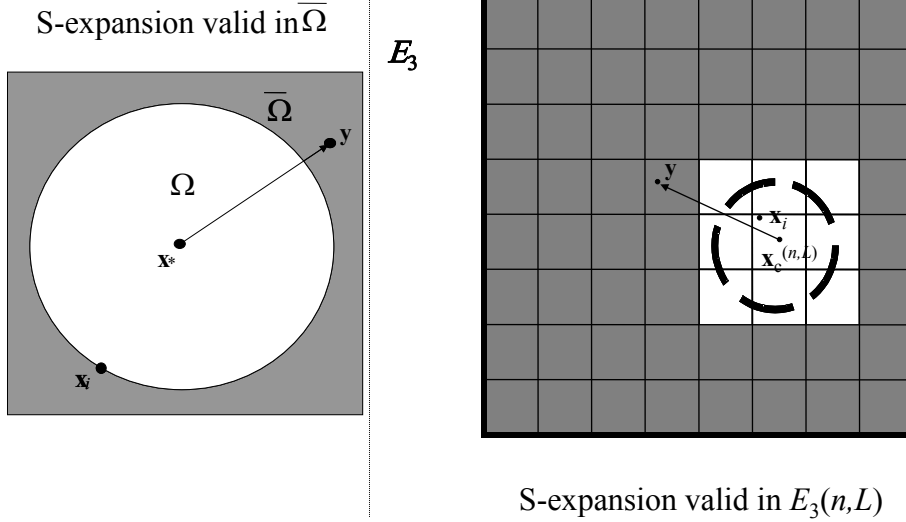
## Upward Pass. Step 1.

**Step 1.** At the finest level of space subdivision, build far-field expansion for sources inside each non-empty box of set  $\mathbb{X}$  near the center of that box  $\mathbf{x}_c^{(n,L)}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_1^{(n,L)}(\mathbf{y}) &= \mathbf{C}^{(n,L)} \circ \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(n,L)}), \\ \mathbf{C}^{(n,L)} &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{E}_1^{(n,L)}} u_i \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_c^{(n,L)}).\end{aligned}$$

In the algorithm this means generation of the expansion coefficients  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_c^{(n,L)})$  and determination of  $\mathbf{C}^{(n,L)}$  for each box. If at the finest level each non-empty box contains only one source  $\mathbf{x}_i$ , then for such box  $\mathbf{C}^{(n,L)} = u_i \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_c^{(n,L)})$ . Note that this expansion for  $n$ th box is valid in domain  $E_3^{(n,L)}$ . If the  $n$ th box is empty  $\Phi_1^{(n,L)}(\mathbf{y}) = 0$  (or  $\mathbf{C}^{(n,L)} = 0$ ) for such a box. There is no need to keep zero  $\mathbf{C}^{(n,L)}$  in the memory, since the empty boxes can be skipped in the procedure.

## Upward Pass. Step 1.



## Upward Pass. Step 2.

**Step 2.** For  $l = L - 1, \dots, 2$  recursively form  $\Phi_1^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y})$  (in other words determine expansion coefficients of this function) by reexpansion of  $\Phi_1^{(Children(n), l+1)}(\mathbf{y})$  near the center of the parent box and summing up of contribution of all children boxes:

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

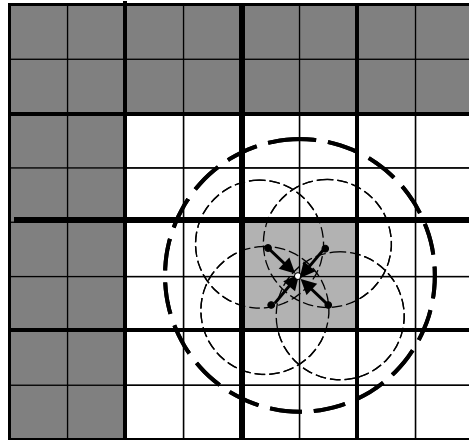
$$\mathbf{C}^{(n,l)} = \sum_{n' \in Children(n)} (\mathbf{S}|\mathbf{S})(\mathbf{x}_c^{(n',l+1)} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(n,l)}) \mathbf{C}^{(n',l+1)}.$$

For the  $n$ th box this expansion is valid in domain  $E_3(n, l)$  which is a subdomain, where far-to-far translation is applicable. The set  $Children(n)$  has  $2^d$  entries, and summation over empty boxes of set  $\mathbb{X}$  can be skipped (anyway for such boxes  $\mathbf{C}^{(n',l+1)} = 0$ ).

## Upward Pass. Step 2.

S|S-translation.

Build potential for the parent box (find its S-expansion).



## Result of the Upward Pass

In the entire hierarchy of boxes containing *sources*  
S-expansion coefficients for potentials due to  
*sources* in each box (domains  $E_1$ ) are found.  
Expansions are valid in  $E_3$  domains.

# Downward Pass. Step 1.

**Step 1.** Steps 1 and 2 should be performed recursively for levels  $l = 2, \dots, L$  of space subdivision. At this step form coefficients of regular expansion for function  $\Phi_4^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y})$ . To build local expansion near the center of each box at level  $l$  coefficients  $\mathbf{C}^{(m,l)}, m \in I_4(n, l)$  should be (S|R)- translated to the center of this box. So we have

$$\Phi_4^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y}) = \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{(n,l)} \circ \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(n,l)}),$$

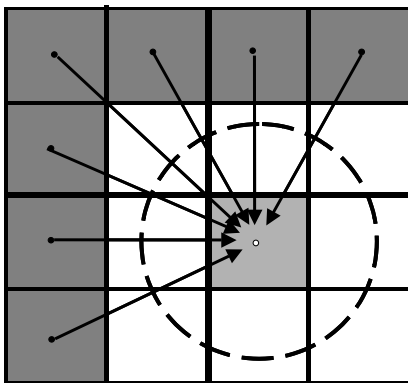
$$\tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{(n,l)} = \sum_{m \in I_4(n,l)} (\mathbf{S|R})(\mathbf{x}_c^{(n,l)} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(m,l)}) \mathbf{C}^{(m,l)}.$$

Since each box of level  $l$  is separated from boxes of  $I_4(n, l)$  by a sphere drawn near its center, then the far-to-local translation is applicable. Note that summation over empty boxes  $m \in I_4(n, l)$  of set  $X$  can be skipped.

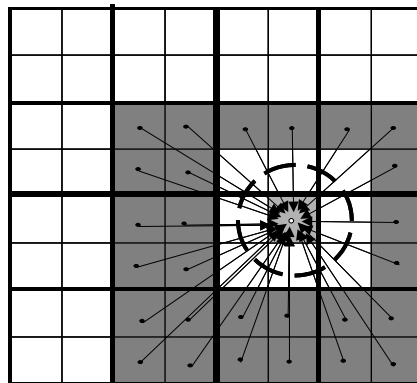
Note that this is conversion from the Source Hierarchy to Evaluation Hierarchy!

# Downward Pass. Step 1.

Level 2:

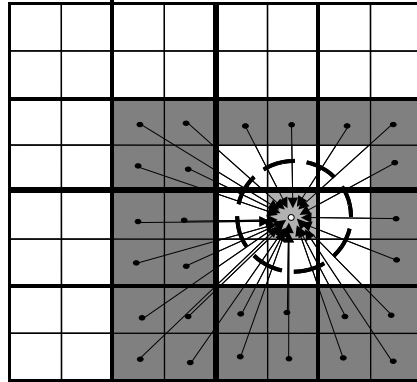


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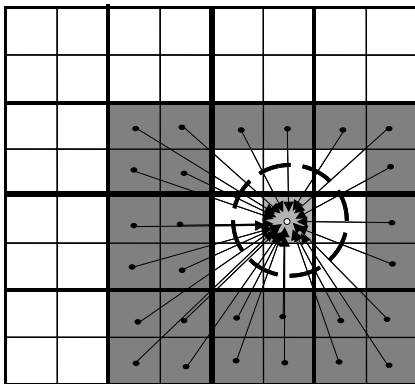
# Downward Pass. Step 1.

THIS MIGHT BE  
THE MOST EXPENSIVE  
STEP OF THE ALGORITHM



# Downward Pass. Step 1.

$$P_4 = \text{PowerOf}E_4\text{Neighborhood} = 3^d 2^d - 3^d = 3^d (2^d - 1)$$



$d = 1 : P_4 = 3,$   
 $d = 2 : P_4 = 27,$   
 $d = 3 : P_4 = 189$

↓ Exponential Growth

Total number of S|R-translations  
per 1 box in  $d$ -dimensional space

(far from the domain boundaries)

It is worth to think about optimizations



## Downward Pass. Step 2.

**Step 2.** At  $l = 2$  we have

$$\Phi_3^{(n,2)}(\mathbf{y}) = \Phi_4^{(n,2)}(\mathbf{y}), \quad \mathbf{D}^{(n,2)} = \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{(n,2)},$$

Form  $\Phi_3^{(n,l)}(\mathbf{y})$  (or expansion coefficients of this function) by adding  $\Phi_4^{(Parent(n),l-1)}(\mathbf{y})$  to (R|R)- translated coefficients of the parent box to the child center:

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

$$\mathbf{D}^{(n,l)} = \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{(n,l)} + (\mathbf{R}|\mathbf{R})(\mathbf{x}_c^{(n,l)} - \mathbf{x}_c^{(m,l-1)})\mathbf{D}^{(m,l-1)}, \quad m = Parent(n).$$

## Downward Pass. Step 2.

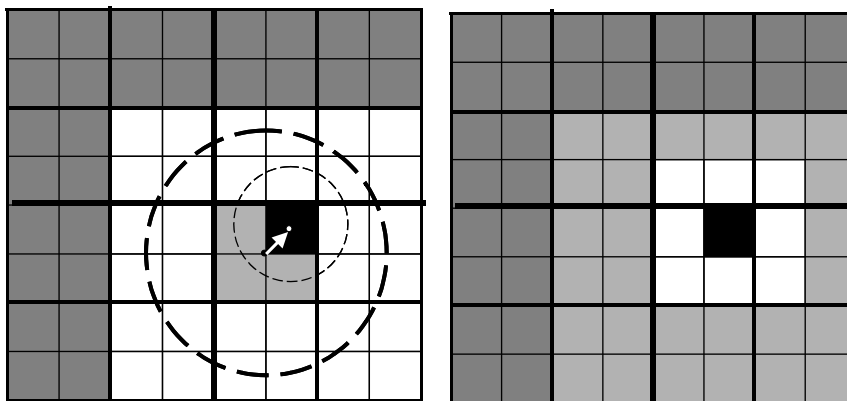


Figure shows that local-to-local translation is applicable in this case (smaller sphere is located completely inside the larger sphere), and junction of structures  $E_3(n, l)$  and  $E_4(n, l+1)$  produces  $E_3(n, l+1)$  :

$$E_3(n, l+1) = E_3(n, l) \cup E_4(n, l+1).$$

# Result of the Downward Pass

In the entire hierarchy of boxes containing *evaluation points* R-expansion coefficients for potentials due to *sources* outside each *evaluation point* neighborhood (domains  $E_3$ ) are found. Expansions are valid in  $E_1$  domains.

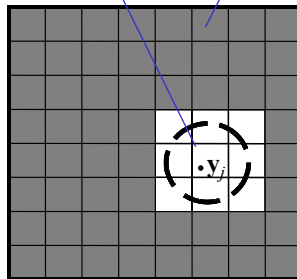
## Final Summation

As soon as coefficients  $D^{(n,L)}$  are determined total potential can be computed for any point  $\mathbf{y}_j \in E_1(0,0)$ , where  $\Phi_2^{(n,L)}(\mathbf{y})$  can be computed straightforward. So:

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

Contribution of  $E_2$

Contribution of  $E_3$



# Itemized Cost of MLFMM

Regular mesh:

$$N = 2^{L_*d}, \quad s = 2^{L_s d}, \quad L = L_{\max} = L_* - L_s.$$

Assume that all translation costs are the same,  $CostTranslation(P)$

$$CostUpward_1 = N CostExpansion(P) = O(NP).$$

$$CostUpward_2 = 2^d (2^{(L-1)d} + 2^{(L-2)d} + \dots + 2^{2d}) CostSS(P)$$

$$< \frac{2^d}{2^d - 1} (2^{Ld} - 1) CostSS(P) \sim \frac{N}{s} CostSS(P)$$

$$CostDownward_1 \lesssim P_4(d) (2^{2d} + \dots + 2^{Ld}) CostSR(P) \sim P_4(d) \frac{N}{s} CostSR(P),$$

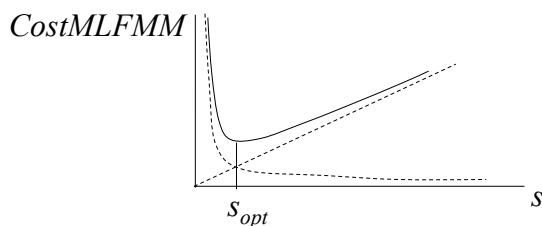
$$CostDownward_2 = 2^d (2^{2d} + \dots + 2^{(L-1)d}) CostRR(P) \sim \frac{N}{s} CostRR(P),$$

$$CostEvaluation = M(P_2(d)s CostFunc + P).$$

Powers of  $E_4$  and  $E_2$  neighborhoods

$$CostMLFMM = (M + N)P + (P_4(d) + 2) \frac{N}{s} CostTranslation(P) + P_2(d)sM CostFunc$$

## Optimization of the Grouping Parameter



$$CostMLFMM = (M + N)P + (P_4(d) + 2) \frac{N}{s} CostTranslation(P) + P_2(d)sM CostFunc$$

$$\frac{\partial CostMLFMM}{\partial s} = -(P_4(d) + 2) \frac{N}{s^2} CostTranslation(P) + P_2(d)M CostFunc = 0$$

$$s_{opt} = \left[ \frac{N(P_4(d) + 2) CostTranslation(P)}{MP_2(d) CostFunc} \right]^{1/2}.$$

$$CostMLFMM_{opt} = (M + N)P + 2[MN(P_4(d) + 2)P_2(d) CostTranslation(P) CostFunc]^{1/2}.$$

## Optimization of the Grouping Parameter (Example)

$$s_{opt} = \left[ \frac{N(P_4(d) + 2)CostTranslation(P)}{MP_2(d)CostFunc} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$CostMLFMM_{opt} = (M + N)P + 2[MN(P_4(d) + 2)P_2(d)CostTranslation(P)CostFunc]^{1/2}$$

Example:

$$N = M, \quad P_4(d) = 3^d(2^d - 1), \quad P_2(d) = 3^d,$$

$$CostTranslation(P) = P^2, \quad CostFunc = 1$$

$$s_{opt} \sim 2^{d/2}P, \quad CostMLFMM_{opt} \sim 2NP(1 + 3^d 2^{d/2})$$

$$For \ d = 2, \quad P = 10, \quad s_{opt} \sim 38, \quad CostMLFMM_{opt} \sim 38NP = 380N.$$

If non-optimized,

$$s = 1; \quad CostMLFMM \sim NP(2 + 3^d 2^d P)$$

$$For \ d = 2, \quad P = 10, \quad s = 1, \quad CostMLFMM \sim 360NP = 3600N.$$

In this example optimization results in about 10 times savings!