HYBRID PARALLEL BFS USING MPI AND OPEN MP

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Breath-First Search

- It is a graph traversing algorithm
- It traverses a tree/graph by exploring all of the nodes at the current level before moving on to the next level.
- A queue is used to keep track of unexplored child nodes.
- Runtime is O(N²) where N is no. of vertices. (For adjacency matrix based approach).



Image Source - Wikipedia



Applications of BFS

- Used to solve many graph theory problems like shortest path between two nodes for an unweighted graph.
- For computing the maximum flow in a flow network.
- In Social networking websites(e.g Linkedin), we can find the ith connection of a source person.
- Detect cycles in an undirected graph

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Parallel BFS Algorithm Using Vertex Partition (1-D Partitioning)

- We do a level synchronous traversal.
- A set of vertices are assigned to a single processor. This
 processor handles all the computation involved for exploring the
 neighbors.
- All the processors calculate the neighbors using OMP Threads.
- All to All communication between all the processor to know the next set of frontier vertices.
- MPI is executed in one processor in a node.
- OpenMP threads are executed in cores inside that processor.

1-D(Vertex) Partition Parallel BFS Steps

- Chunk Size is calculated as vertices/processors.
 Each chunk of vertices are assigned to one processor.
- All the calculations for next neighbors are done by the same processor.
- The calculations done by a processor is multithreaded using Open MP.
- All to All communications between all the processor to sync the next frontier vertices using MPI.





1-D Partition of Adjacency matrix

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
0													
1													
2													
3	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	
4	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	MPI Processor - P1
5	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	
6													
7													
8													
9													
10													
11													

Shaded region of the adjacency matrix is the chunk which is available to MPI Processor P1.

The calculation of next frontier elements are done parallelly using OMP threads









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Hybrid BFS Pseudocode

Algorithm 2 Hybrid parallel BFS with vertex partitioning
Input: $G(V, E)$, source vertex s.
Output: $d[1n]$, where $d[v]$ gives the length of the shortest
path from s to $v \in V$.
1: for all $v \in V$ do
2: $d[v] \leftarrow \infty$
3: level $\leftarrow 1, FS \leftarrow \phi, NS \leftarrow \phi$
4: $op_s \leftarrow find_owner(s)$
5: if $op_s = rank$ then
6: push $s \to FS$
7: $d[s] \leftarrow 0$
8: for $0 \leq j < p$ do
9: $SendBuf_j \leftarrow \phi$ $\triangleright p$ shared message buffers
10: $RecvBuf_j \leftarrow \phi$ \triangleright for MPI communication
11: $tBuf_{ij} \leftarrow \phi$ \triangleright thread-local stack for thread
12: while $FS \neq \phi$ do
13: for each u in FS in parallel do
14: for each neighbor v of u do
15: $p_v \leftarrow find_owner(v)$
16: push $v \to t Bu f_{ip_v}$
17: Thread Barrier
18: for $0 \le j < p$ do
19: Merge thread-local $tBuf_{ij}$'s in parallel,
form $SendBuf_j$
20: Thread Barrier
21: All-to-all collective step with the master thread:
Send data in SendBuf, aggregate
newly-visited vertices into RecvBuf
22: Thread Barrier
23: for each u in $RecvBuf$ in parallel do
24: if $d[u] = \infty$ then
25: $d[u] \leftarrow level$
26: push $u \to NS_i$
27: Thread Barrier
28: $FS \leftarrow \bigcup NS_i$ \triangleright thread-paralle
29: Thread Barrier

Source - https://people.eecs.berkeley.edu/~aydin/sc11_bfs.pdf



Results Pure MPI

Vertices	Approx. Edges	Seq	MPI 2	MPI 4	MPI 8	MPI 16	MPI 32	MPI 64
20000	132,000,000	0.812	0.503	0.301	0.155	0.081	0.082	0.085
40000	528,000,000	3.977	2.02	1.12	0.502	0.312	0.165	0.155
80000	2,122,000,000	16.65	8.56	4.15	2.08	1.05	0.55	0.28
160000	8,448,000,000	69.9	36.67	18.47	8.95	4.65	2.36	1.2

Runtime in secs Density of the graph is 33%

Pure MPI Results







(MPI + OMP) Hybrid Results

	Approx.	MPI	Pure					
Vertices	Edges	Processor	MPI	OMP 2	OMP 4	OMP 8	OMP 16	OMP 32
10000	33000000	2	0.187	0.103	0.1	0.11	0.12	1.7
160000	8,448,000,000	2	36.67	18.81	8.7	4.4	3.9	3.9
160000	8,448,000,000	4	18.57	9.31	4.73	2.28	2.1	2.1

Runtime in secs



Hybrid(OMP + MPI) vs Pure MPI





Observations

- With Pure MPI we observe that for smaller input data after 16 MPI nodes we don't see any gain in speed up. Whereas for larger input data we see that there is consistent gain in speedup even for 64 MPI processor.
- For Hybrid (OMP + MPI) solution, There is a minor improvement in runtime when compared to Pure MPI if we use less then 16 OMP cores.

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