Not satisfied with your processed data? Don't be irate, simulate and iterate!

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The Tamasis project

- Tools for Advanced Map-making, Analysis and SImulations of Submillimeter surveys.
- ASTRONET-funded project, P.I: Marc Sauvage
- Tools will be made available to the community (some already are)
- Collaboration between 4 institutes:
 - Garching: cosmological light cones simulations
 - IAS: SPIRE advanced map-making
 - Saclay: PACS advanced map-making
 - Leiden: stacking

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- improve scientific output from an observation

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- iterative methods (PCG family)
- acquisition model *H* must be fast

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Pros:

- take advantage of every bit of information about the instrument, in a natural way
- "deconvolve" instrumental effects

Cons:

- computationally challenging (\Rightarrow supercomputers)
- degeneracy of solution (\Rightarrow regularisation)

Tamasis package

- Easy to use and fast: Python for the abstraction and Fortran/C for the speed
- Scalable: MPI and OpenMP
- Modular: library of linear and non-linear operators (CompressionAverage, Convolution, DistributionGlobal, DistributionLocal, DiscreteDifference, DownSampling, Fft, FftHalfComplex, InvNtt, Masking, Packing, Padding, Projection, RollOperator, ShiftOperator, Unpacking)
- Solvers
 - PCG (MPI)
 - non-linear CG (MPI)
 - scipy.sparse.linalg (CG, CGS, BICG, BICGSTAB, GMRES, LGMRES, ...)
 - scipy.optimize (fmin_bfgs, ...)

A simple model

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proj = Projection(obs)
compression = CompressionAverage(8)
model = compression * proj
```

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m = mapper_ls(tod, model)
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• An acquisition model is built up using bulding blocks

Herschel



- Mission: Galaxy formation, star formation, planets atmosphere, astrochemisty
- Instruments: PACS, SPIRE, HIFI
- Bandwidth: 60 600 μm
- Diameter: 3.5 m

PACS Photometer



PACS $\approx 30 cm$

matrix = 1.5 cm

pixel = $750 \mu m$

- Tech: array of bolometers
- Arrays: 16 × 32, 32 × 64 pixels
- Sampling: 40 Hz
- Modes: staring, scan and parallel
- Filters: (μm) blue: 60-85, green: 85-130, red: 130-210
- PSF: blue: 5.5", green: 6.7", red: 11"

PACS data artifacts



A frame of blue PACS data



A set of reordered pixel values as a function of time, offset removed, two 25 min scans, 60 000 frames each

- Offset drift $\Leftrightarrow 1/f$ noise
- On-board compression
 - 00000000
- Distortion



detector j

PACS scan mode



- PACS FOV: 1.8×3.7 arcmin
- Sky maps: $pprox 1 imes 1^\circ$ i.e. 1200 imes 1200 pixels
- Use redundancy to get rid of 1/f noise and instrument artifacts

High frequency reconstruction



High frequency reconstruction



Red channel PACS PSF

Low frequency reconstruction



"Pipeline"



Tamasis RLS



- Artifacts removed
- Structures are real

Optimisations

- operator's rules may simplify an expression
- stack-based memory manager: ensure that no temporary array is created during iterations
- algorithm to minimise the number of temporaries during a composition
- inplace / output operators: whether or not the operator's output can point to the same memory as its input
- inplace reduction
- block partitioning: crucial to take advantage of the cache

Optimisation: blocks and contiguity



The result of the computation of one block is stored in non-contiguous memory, so Hx operation is not particularly efficient.

But in iterative solvers, what is required is $H^{T}N^{-1}H$.

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Perform all computations related to an observation block (increased temporal locality).

Then, move on to the next block.

All memory accesses are contiguous and may all be in the cache, if the block size is suitably chosen.

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Bringing MPI / OpenMP to a larger audience

Parallelisation: distributed map



Large dataset



- Map is $9.6^\circ \times 6.5^\circ \approx 0.7$ GB (810⁷ pixels)
- TOD is 69h long, 512 detectors $\times 2.5 \, 10^6$ frames = $1.3 \, 10^9$ samples
- Pointing matrix is 0.85 TB (1 detector intercepts 10 pixels)
- 1h45 on CCRT (282 iterations), using 512 cores (64 MPI processes)

Double loop inference

i.e. : Sparse variational bayesian inference (work by N. Barbey)

- Sparse = better statistical model
- Provably converges to a global solution

Solves :

$$rgmin_{oldsymbol{x},oldsymbol{\gamma}} \left\{ \|oldsymbol{y} - oldsymbol{H}oldsymbol{x}\|^2 + oldsymbol{x}^{ op}oldsymbol{B}oldsymbol{x}^{ op}
ight\}$$

Alternate a few times betwen :

- Inner loop : find $m{x}$ with a Quasi-Newton minimization
- Outer loop : find γ using Lanczos eigendecomposition

Results on simulation

PACS/Tamasis simulation Point source, scan mode, compression \times 8



Lessons learnt

- Python/numpy is fine with vector operations. For more complex operations, it should be avoided during iterations
- In parts you have to, use a profiler and experiment. Slowness of methods is unpredictable
- Do not rely on the garbage collector: allocate once and reuse the buffer
- Interfacing Fortran code is incredibly easy thanks to f2py (and paradoxically easier than C code)

Future

- Publish
- Get people interested and involved:
 - ⇒ https://github.com/pchanial/pyoperators (general purpose operators and solvers)
 - ⇒ http://pchanial.github.com/tamasis-map (astronomy)
- Better astrometry reconstruction
- Deconvolution of the telescope PSF
- Better noise characterisation (correlation between detectors)
- GPUs
- Data fusion (combine SPIRE data)