High Performance Computing over Finite Fields

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Motivation

- High Performance Computing for Cryptology
 - Long History in UK and US
 - First Supercomputer is "Bombe" for Enigma
 - First Cray-1 Customer is NSA
 - First Grid Application is Distributed.net
- In Japan...
 - Scientific Computing is a Major Research Area for Supercomputing
 - Calculation of π is a Major Application for (Super)computers
 - UD, United Devices is a Major Vendor for Distributed Computing
- Long Term Strategy is required



In This Research...



• Aim at

- Record Breaking Performance for GNFS
- Precise Estimation of Factorization Cost on Stateof-the-art High Performance Computers

Related Work



- Robustness of Post Modern Cryptography Depends on...
 - Complexity of Factorization
 - (Generalized) Number Field Sieve (Lenstra and Lenstra, 1993)
 - Power of Computing Resource
 - TWIRL (Shamir and Tromer, 2003)
 - Precise Evaluation of Available Computing Resources (FLOPS)
 - www.top500.org (Dongarra and Strohmaier, -1995)

Prime Factorization



- In (G)NFS, we need...
 - Efficient Sieving
 - Efficient Solution of Sparse Linear System (on GF(2))
 - Efficient Implementation of BIGNUM Library

Number Field Sieve



- Find x, $y \in Z$ s.t. $x^2 \equiv y^2 \pmod{N}$
- Depends on the Size of the Composite Number N
 - O(exp(C(ln N)^{1/3}(ln ln N)^{2/3}))

Factoring Records

GNFS Historical Factoring Records

•	Digits	Dates	Description	Ву
•	200	05/2005	RSA-200	Bonn Univ. et al.
•	193	11/2005	RSA-640	Bonn Univ. et al.
•	176	04/2005	cofactor of 11 ²⁸¹ +1	Rikkyo Univ. et al.
•	174	12/2003	RSA-576	Bonn Univ. et al.
•	164	12/2003	cofactor of 2 ¹⁸²⁶ +1	Rikkyo Univ. et al.
•	160	04/2003	RSA-160	Bonn Univ. et al.
•	158	01/2002	co-factor of 2953+1	Bonn Univ. et al.
•	155	08/1999	RSA-155	CWI et al.

- Curve Fitting and Extrapolation (Brent, 2000)
 - D^{1/3}=(Y-1928.6)/13.24 (assuming Moore's Law)
 - 200 digits in 2006



Computer Time

- For RSA-155 (1999)
 - 8000MIPS-Years
 - Sieving Step
 - 8000MIPS-Years
 - Matrix Step
 - 224CPU-Hours on Cray C916 ≒6MIPS-Years
- For RSA-200 (2005)
 - 70000MIPS-Years
 - Sieving Step
 - Matrix Step



TOP500



- Listing of the 500 Most Powerful Computers in the World
 - Yardstick: Rmax from LINPACK
 - Ax=b, Dense Problem
 - Updated Twice a Year:

ISC'xy in Germany, June xy SC'xy in USA, November xy

• All Data Available from www.top500.org





TOP500 Data Analysis



- Annual performance growth about a factor of 1.82
- Two factors contribute almost equally to the annual total performance growth
 - Processor number grows per year on the average by a factor of 1.30
 - Processor performance grows by 1.40 compared to 1.58 of Moore's Law

Strohmaier, Dongarra, Meuer, and Simon, Parallel Computing 25, 1999, pp 1517-1544.



Performance Issues

Interconnects



Performance Issues



- NAS Parallel Benchmark CG Kernel
 - Sparse Linear Solver (Conjugate Gradient Method)
 - GbE (Left) and PCI Express + InfiniBand (4GB/s Bidirection BW, Right)



Strategies

- Focus on the Performance Improvement
- Reconsider
 - The Linear Solver
 - Solve Normal Equations
 - In general, CG is much faster than Lanczos
 - Reported to work (Bell Laboratories, 1980's)
 - Stabilization Required ($u^T u$ can vanish for $u \neq 0$ over a Finite Field)
 - No Additional Cost
 - The Platform
 - Use Supercomputer Centers
 - Free or Very Low Cost
 - The Interconnect
 - Use Higher Bandwidth Interconnects
 - Need Replacement

Status



- Development of a Scalable Parallel Linear Solver over Finite Fields
 - We have a General Purpose CG Solver with 99.997% Parallel Efficiency (on Blue Gene)
 - Developing Earth Simulator Version
 - We need Joint Researchers!