## TorchBraid: High-Performance Layer-Parallel Training of DNNs with MPI and GPU Acceleration

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## Need for parallelism driven by DNNs

- Deep neural networks (DNNs) routinely used to solve learning tasks with state-of-the-art accuracies
  - Image classification and recognition, natural language processing, selfdriving cars, healthcare, ...
- However, the training time and cost is increasing
- ChatGPT-4 likely took month(s) to train using many GPUs
- Other sophisticated deep learning architectures also have long training times
- But the results of deep learning can be impressive!

# But the results are impressive!

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You

how do I get more parallelism for my deep neural network?

#### ChatGPT

Increasing parallelism in deep neural networks can lead to improved performance and faster training. Here are several strategies you can consider:

#### 1. Model Architecture:

- Utilize parallelizable layers such as convolutional layers, which are inherently parallelizable due to their local receptive fields.
- Use architectures designed for parallel processing, such as residual networks (ResNets) or dense networks (DenseNets), which facilitate parallel computation across layers.

#### 2. Hardware Utilization:

- Invest in hardware specifically designed for parallel computation, such as GPUs (Graphics Processing Units) or TPUs (Tensor Processing Units), which excel at parallel matrix operations commonly found in deep learning.
- Utilize multiple GPUs or TPUs to distribute computation across devices. Frameworks like TensorFlow and PyTorch support this through data parallelism and model parallelism techniques.

#### 3. Data Parallelism:

- Divide your dataset into smaller batches and process them simultaneously across multiple devices. This is the most common form of parallelism and is supported by most deep learning frameworks.
- Ensure that your batch size is large enough to fully utilize the available hardware without causing memory issues.

#### 4. Model Parallelism:

### But ChatGPT, you forgot about my favorite type of parallelism!

ChatGPT doesn't quite have all the details yet.



#### You

What about layer parallelism?

#### (5)

#### ChatGPT

Layer parallelism is a technique where different layers of a neural network are executed in parallel across multiple processing units. It's a form of model parallelism, where the model is divided into parts, and each part is processed independently. Here's how layer parallelism can be implemented:

#### 1. Dividing Layers:

- Divide the layers of your neural network into groups, with each group containing a subset of layers.
- The division can be based on various criteria, such as layer type (e.g., convolutional layers, fully connected layers) or computational complexity.

#### 2. Processing Layers in Parallel:

- Assign each group of layers to a separate processing unit (e.g., GPU or TPU).
- Ensure that the layers within each group do not have dependencies on each other, allowing them to be executed concurrently.

#### 3. Communication between Layers:

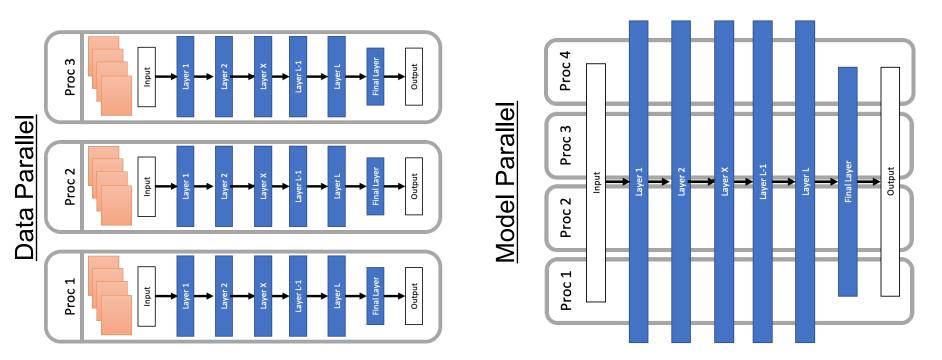
- Implement mechanisms for communication between layers processed in parallel, as some layers may require input from preceding layers or provide output to subsequent layers.
- Minimize communication overhead by optimizing data transfer between processing units.

#### 4. Synchronization:

• Ensure proper synchronization between processing units to maintain consistency during training.

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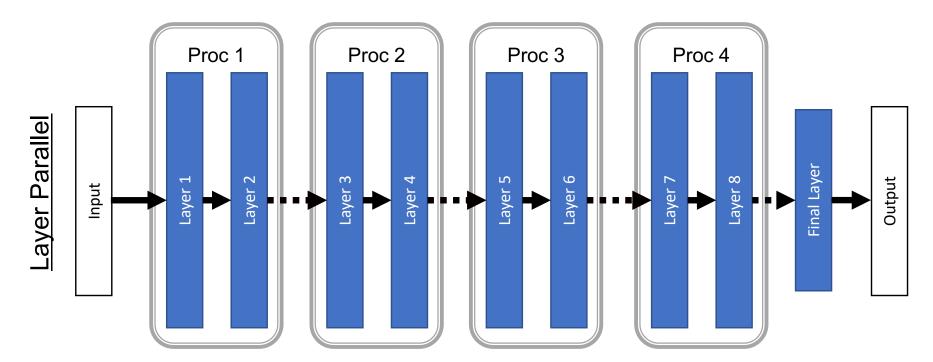
- With these long training times, we naturally search for parallelism
- Popular classic approaches for DNNs (as ChatGPT reminded us) include:
  - Data parallelism
  - Model (spatial) parallelism



Review of model/data parallelism: Demystifying parallel and distributed deep learning: An in-depth concurrency analysis. T. Ben-Nun, T. Hoefler ACM Computing Surveys (CSUR), 2019.

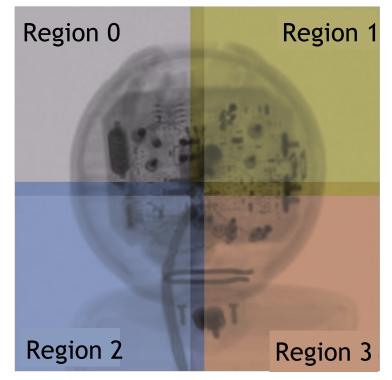
## Proposed Solution: Layer-Parallelism

- The ancient bargain: trade-off between parallelism and exactness
- Relax exactness for layer evolution in return for greater parallelism
  - Dotted arrows below become inexact (same is true for back-prop)
  - Trade accuracy for performance
  - But we don't need exact gradients (experiments tell us)
- Can be combined with other forms of parallelism, e.g., data parallelism



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- This is an active field of research.
- Domain decomposition (patch-based) approaches
  - Apply (mostly) independent models to distinct regions of data (e.g., image), for parallelism
  - Combine region results in a variety of ways
  - Parallelism likely limited by largest reasonable patch size



Parallel decomposition for a CT scan (2D) of a webcam.

- 1. Machine learning and domain decomposition methods -- a survey,
  A. Klawonn, M.n Lanser, J. Weber, https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.14050
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- Multilevel optimization: target algorithmic speedup
  - Methods first used for PDE-constrained optimization
  - Construct coarse optimization problem(s) that can accelerate convergence for the finest-level optimization problem
  - Do forward and back-propagation on coarse- and fine-levels, interpolating parameters between levels
- Multilevel trust-region optimization methods<sup>1,3</sup>, for typical ML tasks like image classification
- MGOPT (FAS) approaches for optimization<sup>2</sup>, initially PDE approximation
- 1. Globally convergent multilevel training of deep residual networks, A. Kopanicáková, R. Krause, SISC, 2022.
- 2. Multilevel-in-width training for deep neural network regression, C. Ponce, R. Li, C. Mao, P. Vassilevski, NLAA, 2023.
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- Related layer-parallel approach based on parallel solution to the linearized Jacobian of the optimization problem<sup>1</sup>
  - 1. Put your forward or backward network evaluation inside Newton's method
  - 2. Linearize the block lower bi-diagonal system
  - 3. Apply parallel cyclic reduction
  - 4. Rinse and repeat.
- Very nice idea and generalizes to non-ODE networks
  - Current formulation suffers from "The main bottleneck for our DeepPCR implementation is represented by the decay in performance associated with the growth in size of the Jacobian blocks"
- → These are just a **few examples** of current work, where CS&E inspires ML algorithms!
- 1. DeepPCR: Parallelizing Sequential Operations in Neural Networks, F. Danieli, M. Sarabia, X. Suau Cuadros, P. Rodriguez, L. Zappella, Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 36, 2024.

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## Deep Neural Networks (DNNs)

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- However, training cost/times can be prohibitive (days, weeks, months...)
  - Due to the many forwards and backwards passes through the network

Layer 0

- → Goal: parallelize, speed up training
- Feed-forward network
  - Training pair:  $(y_{data}, c_{data})$
  - $W_n, b_n, y_n$ : Layer n weights, biases, state
  - ResNet Propagation (forward problem):

$$y_0 = y_{data}$$
  $y_{n+1} = y_n + F(W_n y_n + b_n) \quad \forall n = 0, \dots, N-1$ 

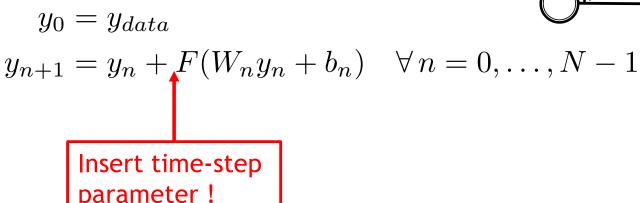
• Learning problem:

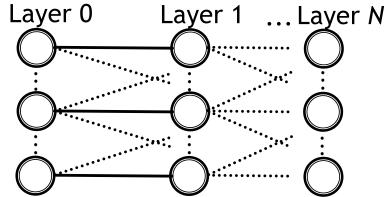
 $\min_{W_n,b_n} \mathsf{Loss}(y_N,c_{data})$  subject to above forward problem

Layer 1 ... Layer N

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$$y(0) = y_{data} \qquad \qquad \text{Backprop} \equiv \text{Discrete adjoint}$$

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- Transformers can also be extended to the layer-parallel setting
  - Ignoring pre- and post-processing
  - Transformers consist of encoder and decoder layers of the following form:

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• Where  $\mathbf{X}^{[n]}$  is the network state at layer n, and  $\varphi_1 := \mathrm{SA} \circ \mathrm{LN}, \varphi_2 := \mathrm{MLP} \circ \mathrm{LN}, \varphi_3 := \mathrm{CA} \circ \mathrm{LN}$  for self-attention (SA), cross-attention (CA), and layer-norm (LN)

#### Related ODE Transformer works:

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## **ODE Perspective on GRU**

- Gated recurrent unit (GRU) networks are powerful recurrent networks for sequence processing (NLP, video classification, ...)
- The basic GRU architecture at time t takes input data  $x_t$  and the previous hidden state  $h_{t-1}$  and computes a new hidden state  $h_t$

$$r_{t} = \sigma(W_{xr}x_{t} + b_{xr} + W_{hr}h_{t-1} + b_{hr})$$

$$z_{t} = \sigma(W_{xz}x_{t} + b_{xz} + W_{hz}h_{t-1} + b_{hz})$$

$$n_{t} = \phi(W_{xn}x_{t} + b_{xn} + r_{t} \odot (W_{hn}h_{t-1} + b_{hn}))$$

$$h_{t} = z_{t} \odot h_{t-1} + (1 - z) \odot n_{t}.$$

• The implicit GRU formulation changes the computation of  $h_t$  and achieves similar accuracy for considered test problems  $^1$ 

$$h_t = (1 + \Delta t(1 - z_t))^{-1} \odot (h_{t-1} + \Delta t(1 - z_t) \odot n_t).$$

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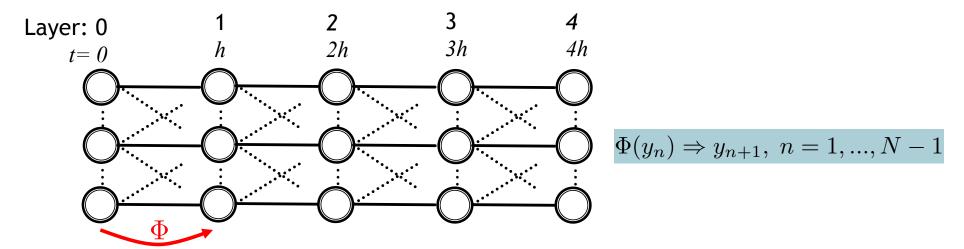
Original Layer-parallel GRU work:

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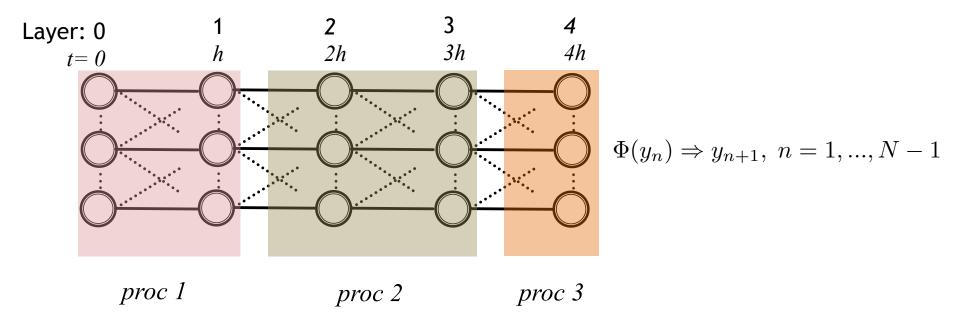
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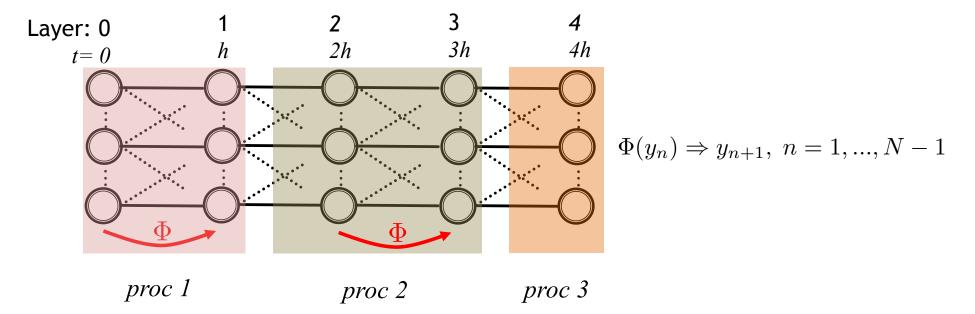
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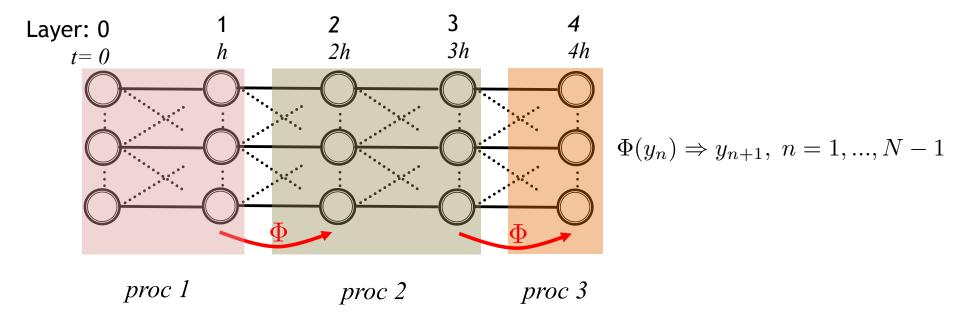


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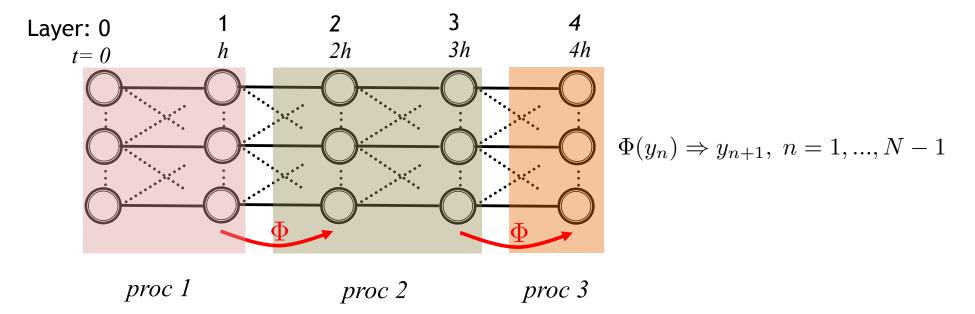


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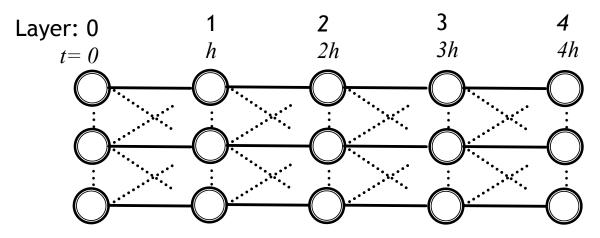


Result is a layer-parallel forward (backward) inexact network evaluation on the finest level

But, how do we account for longer-range interactions? A coarse-grid!

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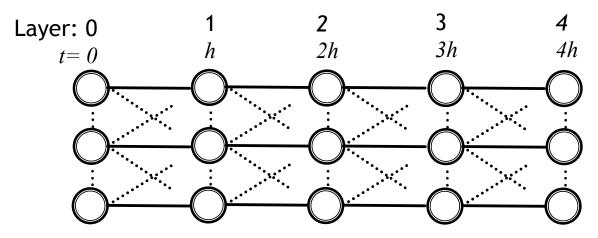
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Use a coarse level to improve inexact forward (backward) evaluation

$$\Phi(y_n) \Rightarrow y_{n+m}, n = m, 2m, \dots$$

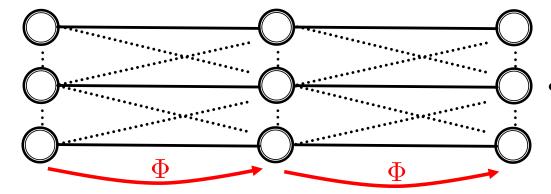
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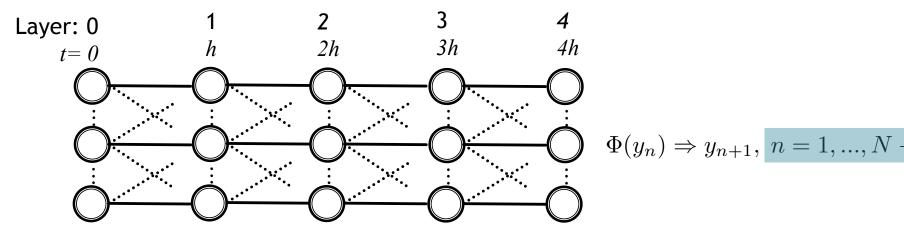
Serial evaluation on coarse-level interpolates correction to fine-level



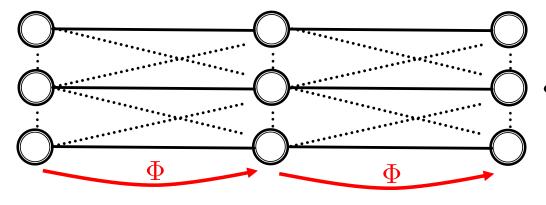
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Recurse for multi-level method



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### Multigrid-in-Time for an Evolution Problem

Consider the general one-step method

$$u_i = \Phi_i(u_{i-1}) + g_i, \quad i = 1, 2, ..., N$$

- Below, time marching = forward solve
  - This is an *O(N)* direct method, **but sequential**

$$A\mathbf{u} \equiv egin{pmatrix} I & & & & & \ -\Phi & I & & & \ & \ddots & \ddots & & \ & & -\Phi & I \end{pmatrix} egin{pmatrix} oldsymbol{u}_0 \ oldsymbol{u}_1 \ dots \ oldsymbol{u}_N \end{pmatrix} = egin{pmatrix} oldsymbol{g}_0 \ oldsymbol{g}_1 \ dots \ oldsymbol{g}_N \end{pmatrix} \equiv \mathbf{g}_1$$

- We solve this system iteratively with multigrid reduction in time (MGRIT)
  - Extend multigrid reduction (MGR, 1979) to the time dimension
  - Coarsens only in time  $\rightarrow$  non-intrusive, i.e.  $\Phi$  is arbitrary, PDE or non-PDE-based
  - O(N), highly parallel

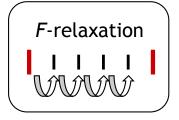
## Multigrid reduction in time (MGRIT)

$$T_0 \qquad T_1 \qquad \Delta T = m \delta t \qquad - F\text{-point (fine grid only)}$$

$$t_0 \quad t_1 \quad t_2 \quad t_3 \quad \cdots \qquad \delta t \qquad t_N$$

$$- C\text{-point (coarse & fine grid)}$$

- Relaxation is highly parallel
  - Block-Jacobi alternating between *F*-points and *C*-points



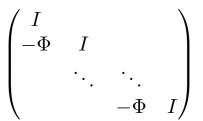
- ullet Coarse system is a time rediscretization with N/m block rows
  - Approximate impractical  $\Phi^m$  with  $\Phi_\Delta$  a rediscretization with  $\Delta T$

$$A_{\Delta} = \begin{pmatrix} I & & & \\ -\Phi^m & I & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & -\Phi^m & I \end{pmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad B_{\Delta} = \begin{pmatrix} I & & & \\ -\Phi_{\Delta} & I & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & -\Phi_{\Delta} & I \end{pmatrix}$$

Apply recursively for multilevel hierarchy

## A broad summary of MGRIT

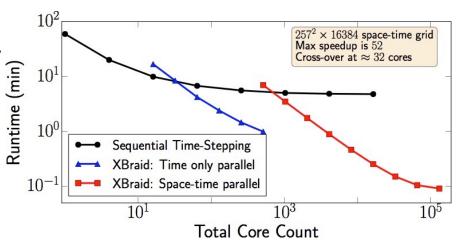
- Expose concurrency in the "time" dimension with multigrid
- Non-intrusive, with unchanged fine-grid problem
- Optimal for variety of parabolic problems
- Converges to same solution as sequential marching → Learning problem is essentially unchanged



- Extends to **nonlinear** problems with FAS formulation
- In simple two-level setting,  $MGRIT \equiv Parareal$
- Large speedups available, but in a new way
  Time stepping is already O(N)

  Sevond a crossover

  Speedup potential

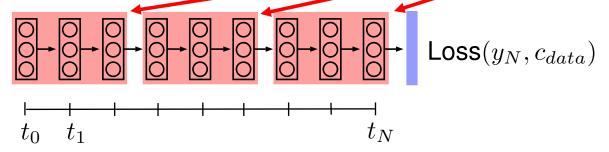


#### Parallel-in-time and ODE-like neural networks

- Network propagation is equivalent to a forward Euler discretization, and backpropagation is equivalent to discrete adjoint!
  - $\rightarrow$  Remember:  $\Phi$  is layer-step in a DNN
  - → Use equivalence to apply XBraid to forward and backward problems

Assign each block of layers to different procs

- Parallel-in-time goals<sup>1</sup>
  - Treat layers as time-steps and apply MGRIT



- Good strong and weak scaling with respect to number of network layers
   → Train a network with 5 layers with same wall-clock time as 1000 layers
- Solve the same training problem (no shortcuts) as the sequential training version
- Provide novel layer-parallelism (decoupled layer computations in parallel)

#### **Outline**

- Need for parallelism driven by DNNs
  - Consider various forms of parallelism
  - Leverage wealth of parallel algorithms available from the CS&E community
- Deep neural networks
  - Interpret as an ODE (ResNets, Transformers, GRU)
- Layer-parallelism
  - Parallel-in-time applied to layers-as-time-steps
- Results
  - Code (TorchBraid)
  - Combine with coarsening inside layer (spatial coarsening)
  - Combine with data-parallelism
  - Tiny ImageNet: Combine with pooling and batch-norm
  - Transformers

## Code: Layer-parallelism with multigrid TorchBRAID

TorchBraid: XBraid (MGRIT code in MPI/C) and PyTorch

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https://github.com/Multilevel-NN/torchbraid
$ pip install path/to/torchbraid
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- Python, C/MPI coupling with Cython (a little messy, but also impressive)
- Parallel Dataset and Dataloader functions inherited from PyTorch
  - Only load on root processor
- GPU-to-GPU direct communication key for performance
  - Requires CUDA-capable MPI, which you can test with \$ make tests -direct -qpu

## Code: Layer-parallelism with multigrid TorchBRAID

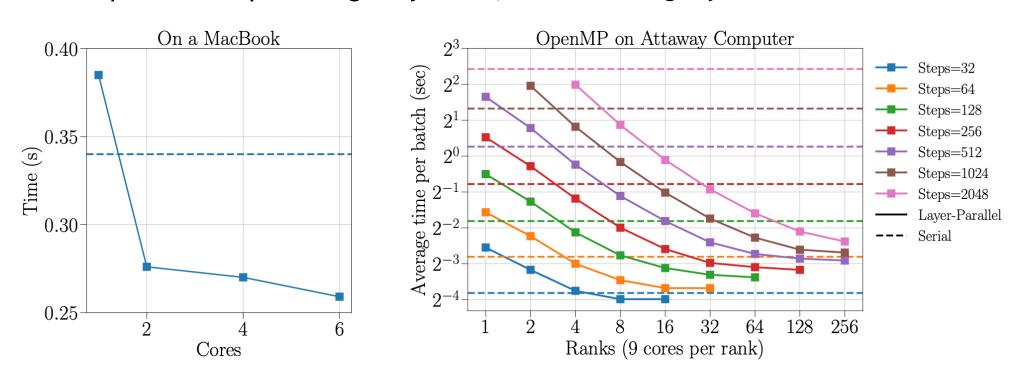
- Automatic differentiation (AD) done over MPI with distributed layers
  - Designed so root rank behaves like serial training when only one processor is used
  - During last MGRIT iteration, AD is turned on and constructs a correct computational graph in the distributed setting
    - Backward inherits from PyTorch and sends gradient info between ranks with MPI

#### Sample TorchBraid Code:

•	Rank 0	Rank 1
<pre>1. optimizer.zero_grad()</pre>	zero grads.	zero grads.
<ol><li>output=model(data)</li></ol>	MGRIT fwd. prop.,	MGRIT fwd. prop.,
	recv. last layer	send last layer
<pre>3.loss=compose(criterion, output, target)</pre>	evaluate loss	no-op
4.loss.backward()	MGRIT bwd. prop	MGRIT bwd. prop.
<pre>5. optimizer.step()</pre>	update params.	update params.

### Results: Simple MNIST

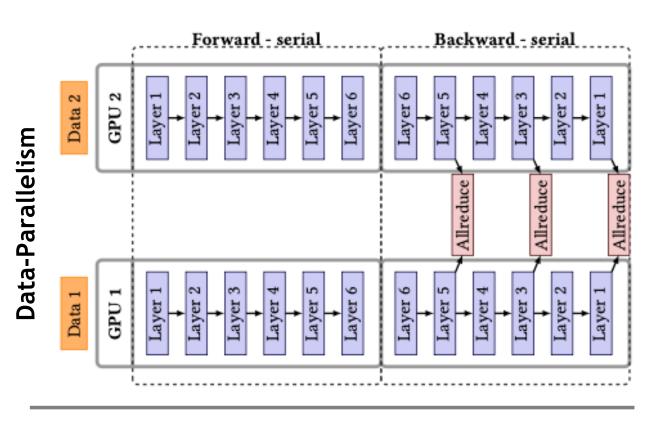
- To begin, consider an ODENet (no pooling or layer-norm) and MNIST
- Simplest example using only CPUs; Dense closing layer w/ softmax

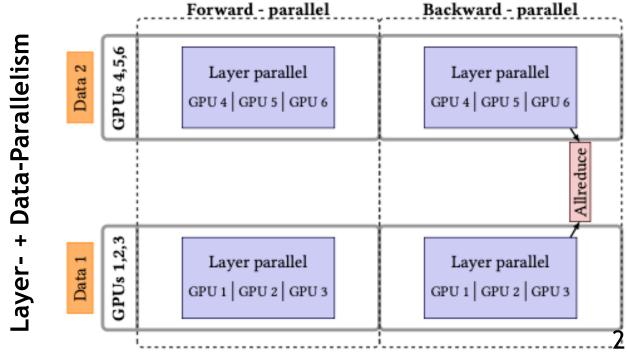


- Speedup up at 2 cores on laptop (36 steps, 3 channels)
- Larger networks and larger computers  $\rightarrow$  large speedup possibilities, 10x-20x, ...

# Results: Layerparallelism and data-parallelism

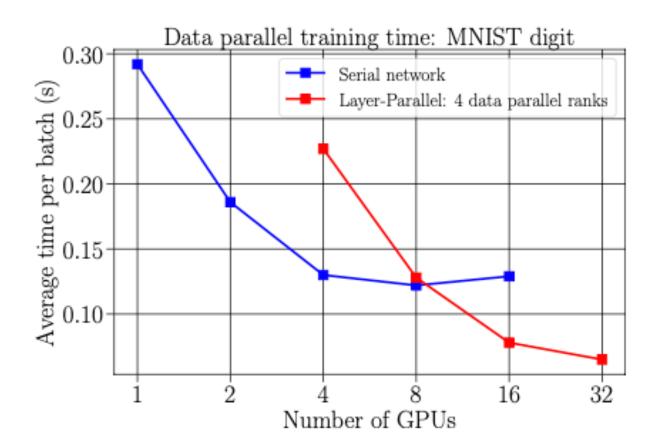
- Data-parallelism proceeds as normal
- Split the MPI communicator into sub-communicators for layer- and dataparallelism
- → More parallelism!





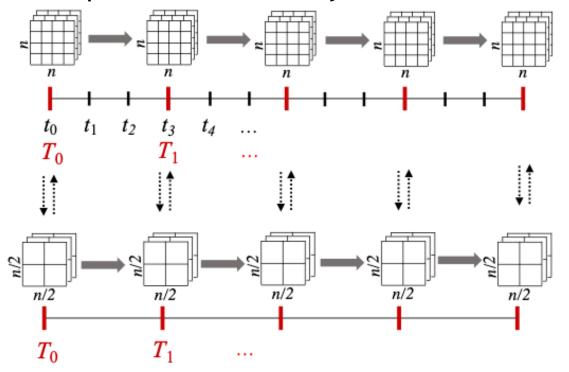
## Results: Layer-parallelism and data-parallelism

- For demonstration purposes: 12 channels and 128 steps used on MNIST
- Serial network uses only data parallelism, which quickly exhausts
- Layer-parallelism allows for extra dimension of parallelism and speedup
  - Easy to use sub-package: torchbraid.utils.data\_parallel



# Results: Coarsening inside layers

- Coarsen in space (inside layers) for extra performance
- Particularly efficient for 3D problems
  - Coarse MGRIT levels decrease in "space" by a factor of 8
  - Distribute large dataset and large network (which could be too large for a single GPU) across many GPUs
- Sample MGRIT hierarchy

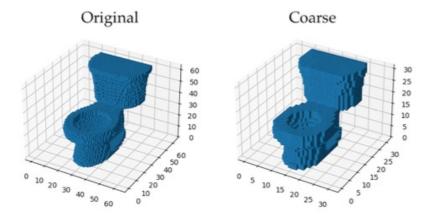


- F-point (layer on fine grid only)
- C-point (layer on coarse & fine grid)

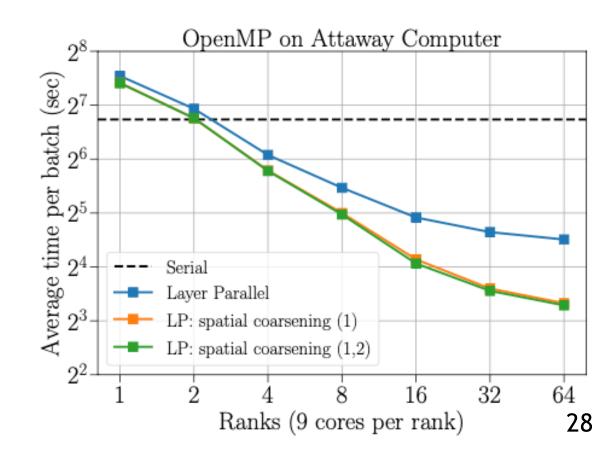
Move information between *C*-point layers by interpolating between different image sizes

# Results: Coarsening inside layers

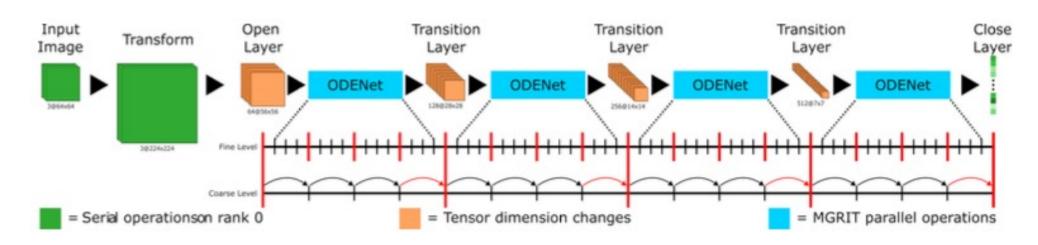
- ModelNet10 dataset of 3D object recognition of various furniture items
  - 64<sup>3</sup> sized images
  - 4K training images, 1K validation images



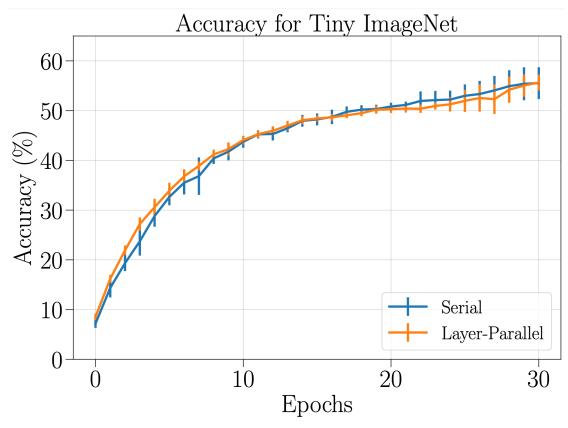
- 128 layers, 3D convolutional ResNet with ReLU
- Opening: expand to 4 channels
- Dense closing layer w/ softmax
- Coarsening in layer provides substantial speedup!
  - 2.3x over layer-parallel
  - 11.0x over serial
  - Option (1) best accuracy



- Extend TorchBraid ODENets to use max pooling and batch normalization
- Maintain max pooling layers as C-points on coarse levels
- Layer-parallel batch normalization
  - · During inference, batch norm is identical to standard
  - During training, batch norm running averages are only updated during final finelevel evaluation at a layer

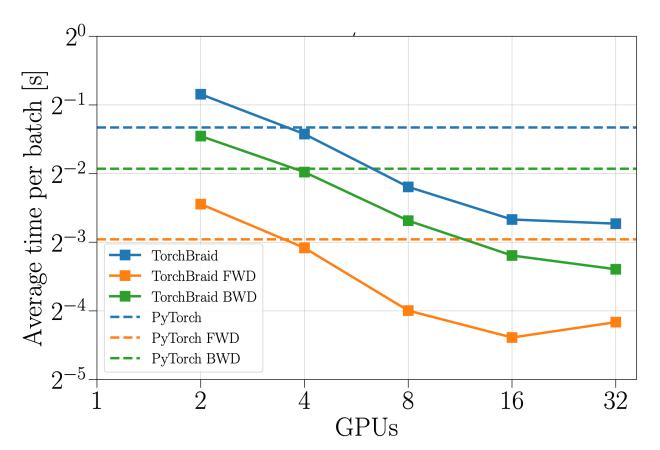


- Train on PLEIADES cluster at University of Wuppertal
  - 5 compute nodes, each containing 8 A100 GPUs
  - Utilize GPUs for training and compare to serial time on GPU
- Training setup
  - 256 total layers
  - 64 layers per ODENet block
  - 30 epochs and batch size of 50
  - 16 training runs
    - Vertical bars: std. dev
- Accuracy essentially unchanged



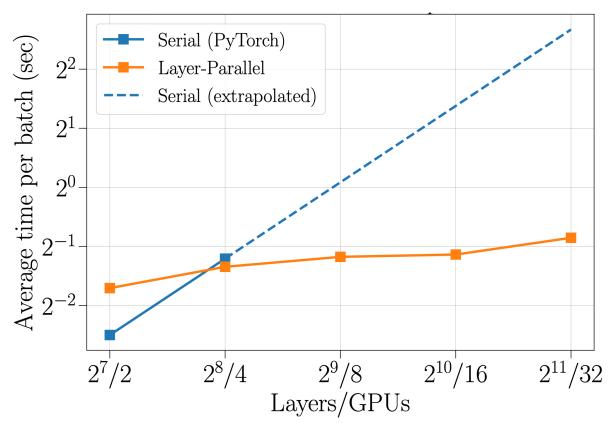
- Strong scaling on Glinda
  - One A100 per node
  - Compare forward, backward, and overall times

Crossover point: 4 GPUs



- 2.5x speedup at 16 GPUs
- Major coding effort! But, still work to be done on efficiency!

- Weak scaling on Glinda
  - One A100 per node
  - Work per GPU fixed, and consider larger networks
- Serial has two data points due to out of memory
   → Extrapolate linearly
- Layer-Parallel: scales well
  - → Large speedup potential for large networks
  - → Distributed network allows for much more memory!



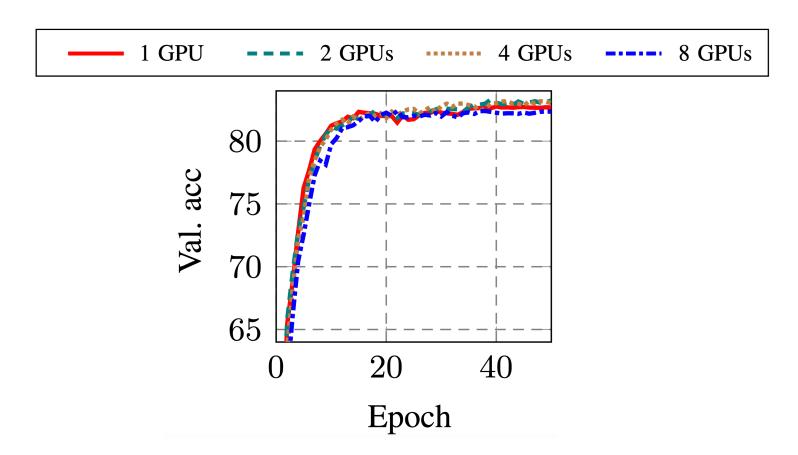
- Apply layer-parallel to ODE-inspired transformer
  - Piz-Daint, Swiss National Supercomputer Center, 1 Tesla P100 GPU per node
  - Leading the effort: student, Marc Salvado, and post-doc, Marshall Jiang
- Morphological classification (noun, verb, adverb, ...) with GUM corpus<sup>1,2</sup>
- Results shown for encoder only
- Decoder is still a work-in-progress
  - MGRIT convergence rate deteriorates for larger networks
  - Exploring regularization techniques to encourage "continuity" between layers (no sacrifice of learning)
  - Exploring splitting CA and MLP blocks into separate layers for more parallelism

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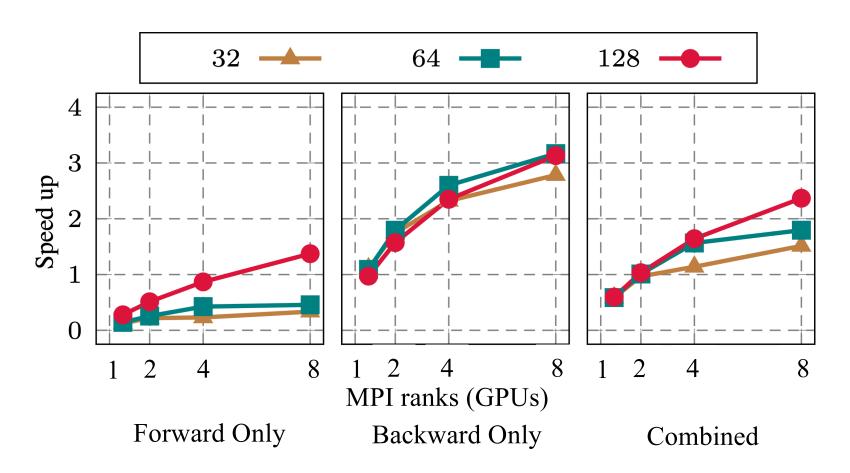
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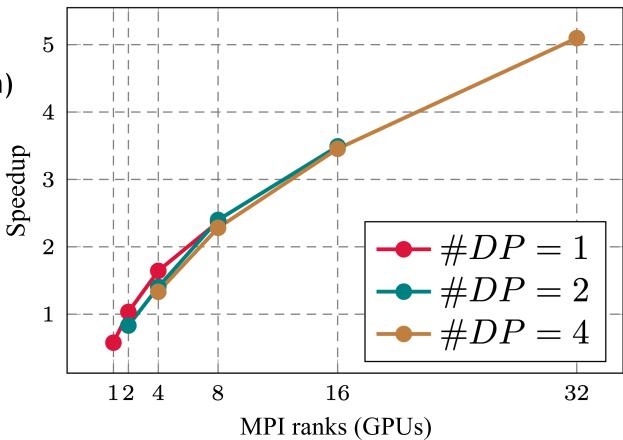
- Morphological classification example with 64 transformer blocks
- 1 GPU represents serial training with PyTorch
- No degradation in learning when using layer-parallel



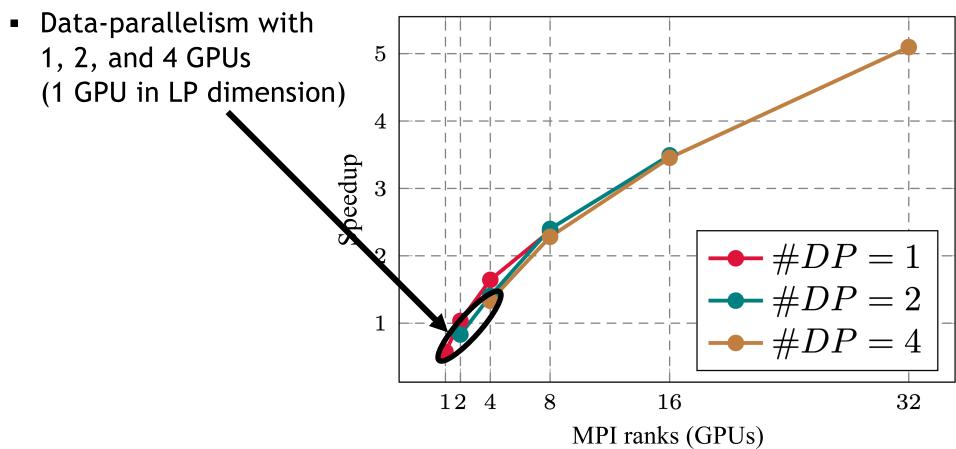
- Maximum speedup at 128 transformer blocks is 2.5x at 8 GPUS
- Baseline is serial PyTorch (no TorchBraid)



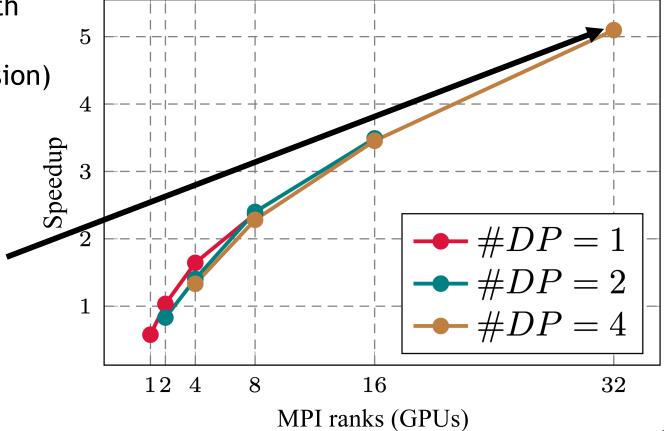
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- Then, addition of GPUs for LP yields ~5x speedups



# Conclusion: Layer-parallelism allows for parallel speedup across layers

- Applicable to various architectures beyond original ODENet, e.g., ResNets (layer-norm, max-pooling), transformer, GRU
- Finds same gradient as sequential propagation (to within tolerance)
- Combine with data-parallelism to maximize machine utilization and speedup
- Combine with coarsening inside layer for increased speedup and efficiency
- Scales strongly and weakly
- Deeper networks → More speedup
- Distribute large datasets and large networks across MPI
  - Allows for much larger datasets and networks (3D, Videos, ...)
- Philosophically, leverage parallel frameworks from CS&E to accelerate DNNs

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