

**Implementation of the BiCGSTAB method for the
Helmholtz Equation on a Maxeler Data Flow Machine**
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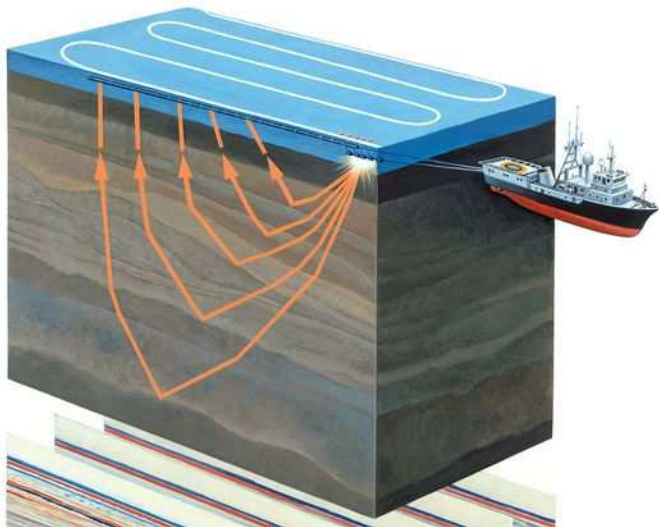
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What is under the surface?



Ground research process



calculation process

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Solve for \mathbf{u} .

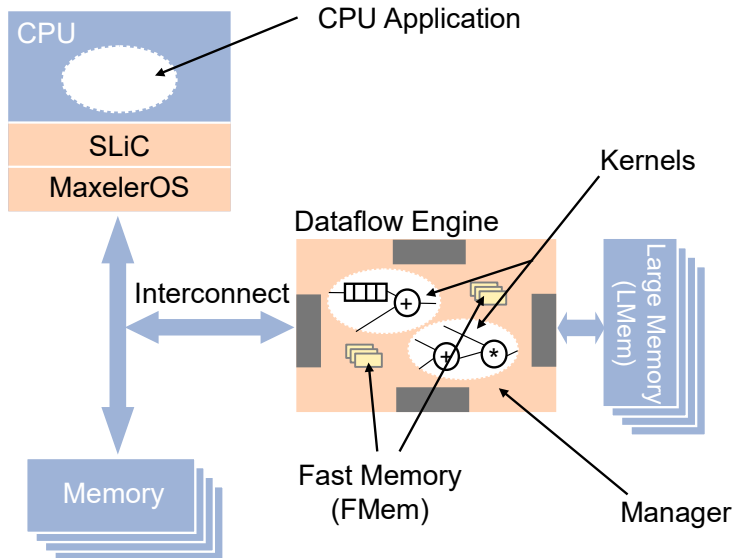
Algorithm 1 Pseudocode for the BiCGSTAB method

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1:  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ ;  $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{g} = \delta_{x_s, y_s, z_s}$ ;  $\rho_{old} = \alpha = \omega = \rho_{new} = 1$ ;  
2: for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \text{maxit}$  do  
3:    $\beta = \frac{\rho_{new} \alpha}{\rho_{old} \omega}$ ;  $\rho_{old} = \rho_{new}$ ;  
4:    $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{r} + \beta(\mathbf{p} - \omega \mathbf{v})$ ;  
5:    $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}$ ;  
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7:    $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{r} - \alpha \mathbf{v}$ ;  
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10:   $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} + \alpha \mathbf{p} + \omega \mathbf{s}$ ;  
11:   $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{s} - \omega \mathbf{t}$ ;  
12:   $\rho_{new} = (\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_0)$ ;  
13:  if  $\|\mathbf{r}\|_2 < 10^{-6}$  then  
14:    quit ;  
15:  end if  
16: end for
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Input node.



Output node.



Computation nodes.



Constant set by CPU.



Multiplexer
(mux).



Counter.

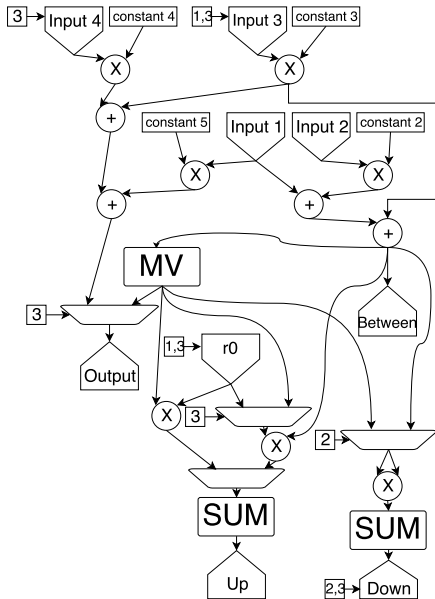


Stream offsets.



Part specifier.

Running average example



BiCGSTAB method

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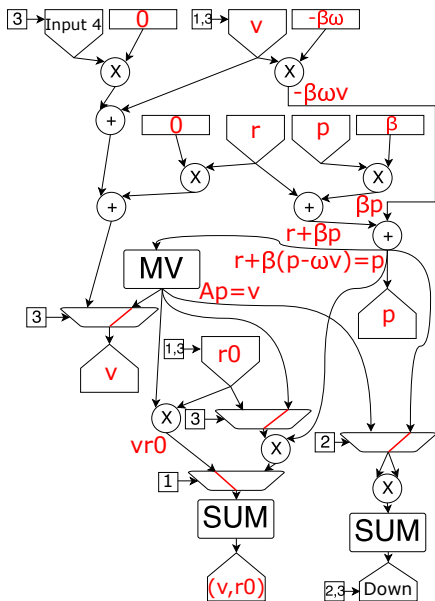
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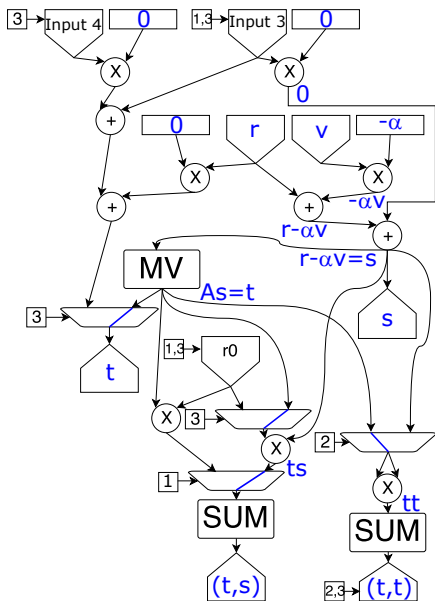
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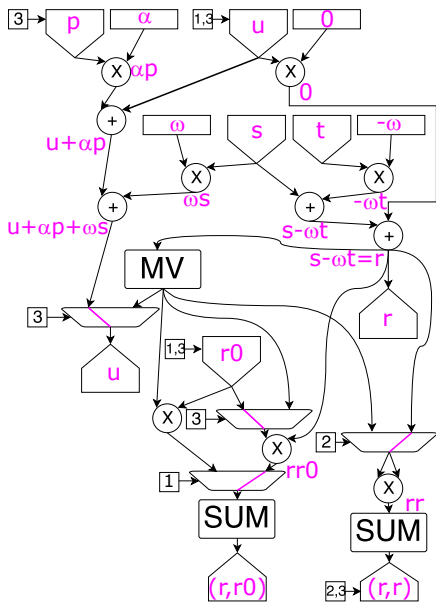
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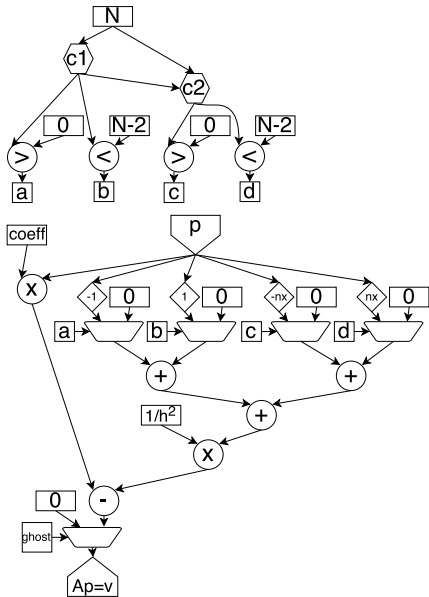
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$$A_{k,\alpha} \mathbf{u} := -\Delta \mathbf{u} - (1 - \alpha i) k^2 \mathbf{u} \approx$$

$$\frac{1}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 + (1 - \alpha i) k^2 h^2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}$$

grid:

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36

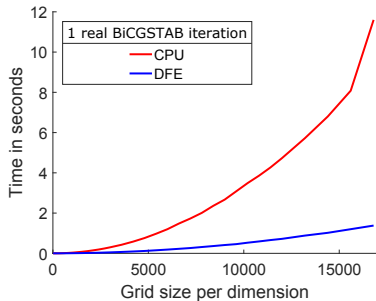
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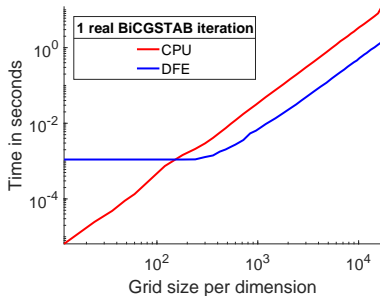
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Real valued implementation



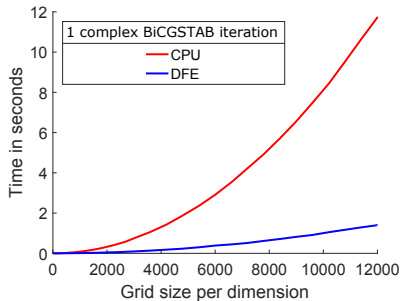
(a) normal scale.



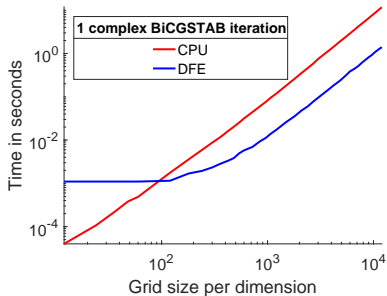
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Figure: Calculation times of 1 real valued BiCGSTAB iteration.

Complex valued problem.



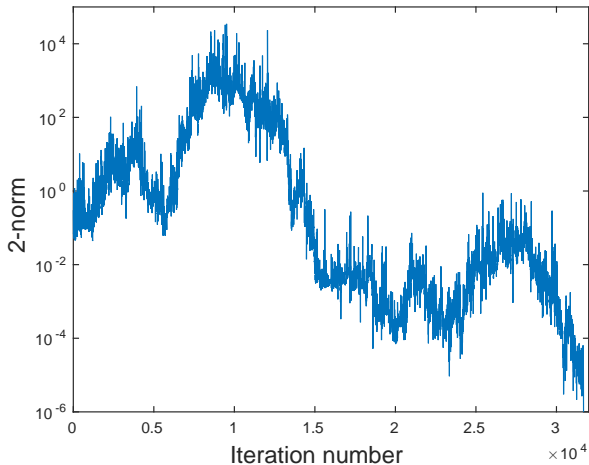
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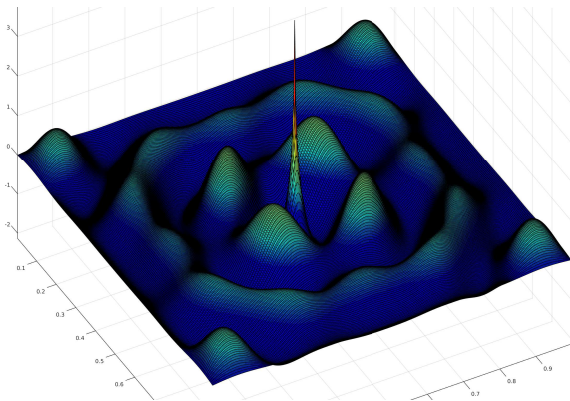
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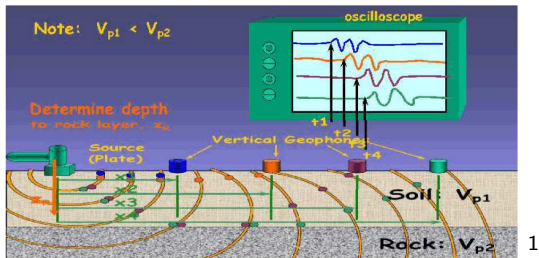
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Convergence pattern of BiCGSTAB of a grid of 324×324



A plot of the solution of the 2D Helmholtz equation with Dirichlet boundary conditions.





¹<https://www.omicsonline.org/articles-images/Geology-Geophysics-Show-the-path-seismic-waves-refraction-from-source-5-259-g008.png>

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Future research

- 1 Sparse Matrix vector product on DFE.
- 2 Calculate partial sums on DFE.
- 3 Source point kernel instead of inner-product.
- 4 Implement the multi grid preconditioner on the DFE.
- 5 Make \mathbf{k} a variable.
- 6 Implement the 3D problem.

