Dual-Entangled Polynomial Code: Three-Dimensional Coding for Distributed Matrix Multiplication

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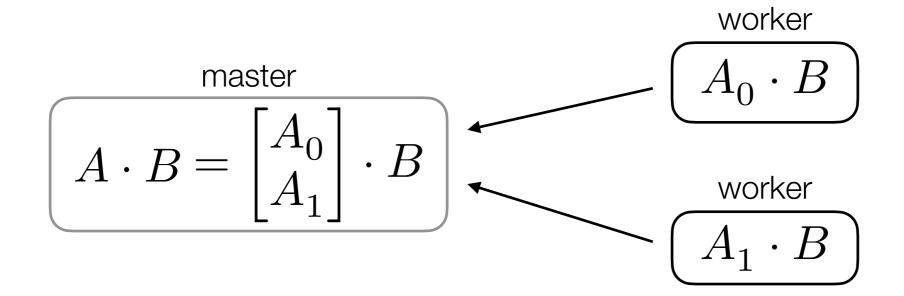
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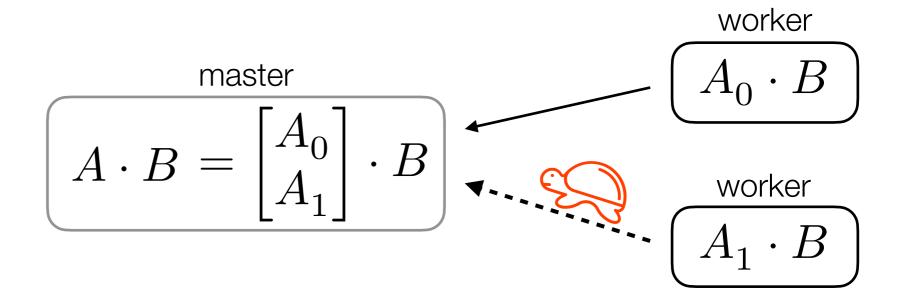
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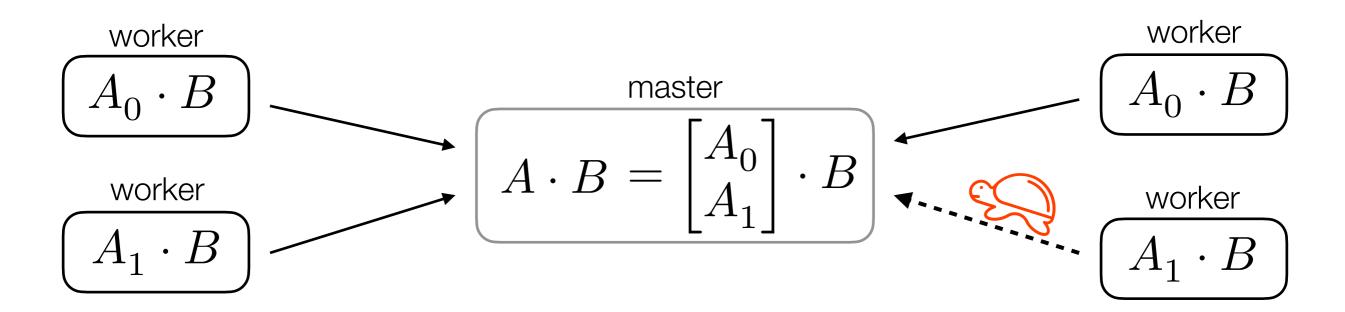
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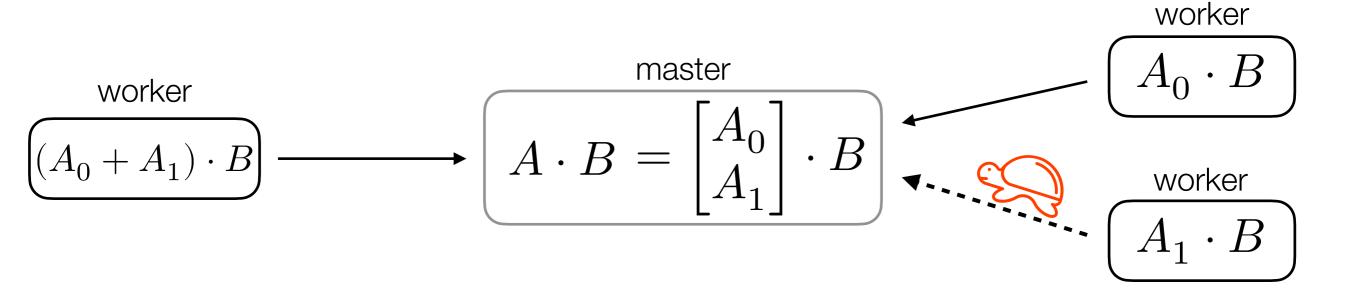
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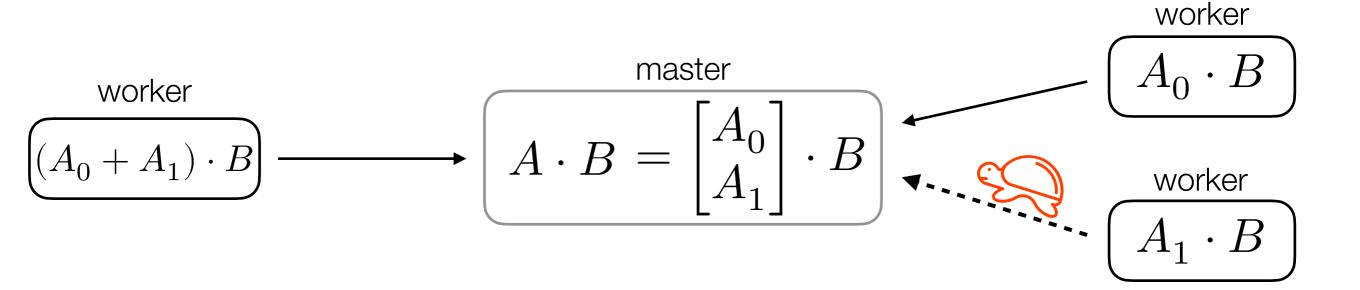








Stragglers are common in distributed systems, due to load imbalance, resource contention, etc.



 Coded matrix multiplication can tolerate stragglers with fewer tasks.

Related Works

| coding | matrix partition | recovery threshold |
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| 1D [Lee et al., Trans. IT, 2018] | $\begin{bmatrix} A_0 \\ \vdots \\ A_{x-1} \end{bmatrix} \cdot B$ | X |
| 2D [Yu et al., NIPS 2017] | $\begin{bmatrix} A_0 \\ \vdots \\ A_{x-1} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} B_0 & \cdots & B_{y-1} \end{bmatrix}$ | Xy |
| 3D [Yu et al., ISIT 2018] | $\begin{bmatrix} A_{0,0} & \cdots & A_{0,z-1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{x-1,0} & \cdots & A_{x-1,z-1} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} B_{0,0} & \cdots & B_{0,y-1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{z-1,0} & \cdots & B_{z-1,y-1} \end{bmatrix}$ | xyz+z-1 |

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Motivation

- As the input matrices are divided smaller and smaller, the number of results uploaded and decoded at the master also increase.
 - the master's incoming traffic becomes congested, or
 - the master is overwhelmed by the decoding complexity
- Dual entangled polynomial codes allows a tradeoff between computation and communication/decoding overhead.

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$$\Box$$

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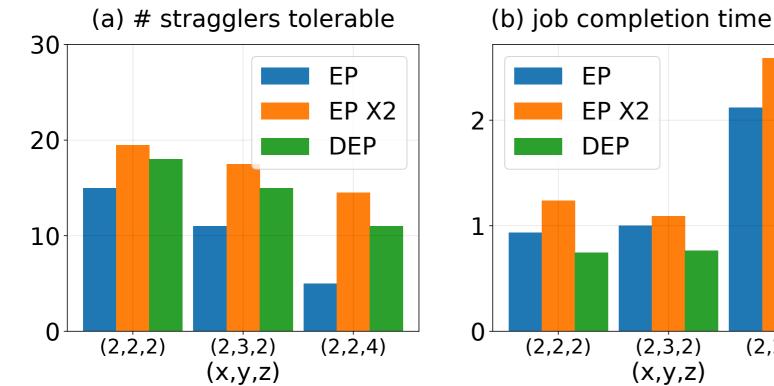
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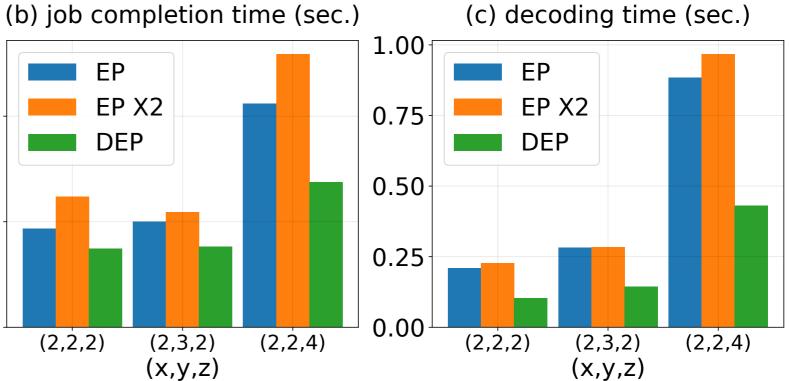
Compared to EP codes, the recovery threshold is reduced from **9** tasks to **6** tasks.

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Evaluation

- We implemented DEP codes with Open MPI, and ran the evaluation on 24 workers hosted on Microsoft Azure.
 - ▶ EP X2 runs two tasks on each worker.
 - ▶ DEP tolerates similar stragglers, while significantly saving job completion time.





Conclusion

- We propose the dual entangled polynomial code, another three-dimensional coding scheme, for distributed matrix multiplication.
- The extra computation at each node allows DEP codes to have a significantly lower recovery threshold than EP codes, leading to a lower communication overhead and decoding complexity.
- ► Future work: explore more flexible tradeoff between computation and communication/decoding overhead.

Thank you.