

The FFLAS-FFPACK and LinBox libraries

OpenDreamKit Software presentation

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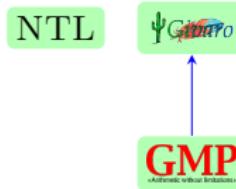
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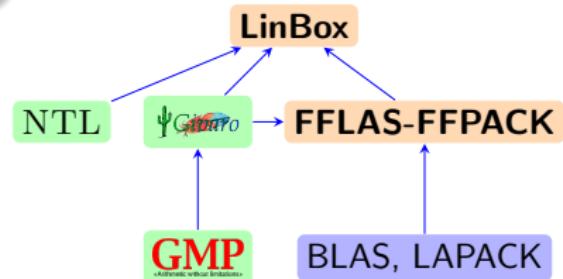
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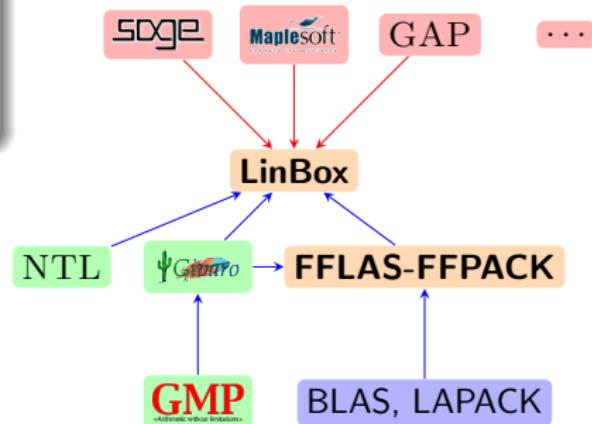
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Milestones

- 1998 First design: Black box and sparse matrices
- 2003 Dense linear algebra using BLAS \rightsquigarrow FFLAS-FFPACK
- 2005 LinBox-1.0
- 2008 Integration in Sage
- 2012.. Parallelization
- 2014 SIMD & Sparse BLAS in FFLAS-FFPACK (Brice's talk)

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- ▶ Iterative methods
- ▶ No access to coefficients, trace, no elimination
- ▶ Matrix **multiplication** \Rightarrow Black-box **composition**

Example: blackbox composition

```
template <class Mat1, class Mat2>
class Compose {
protected:
    Mat1 _A;
    Mat2 _B;
public:
    Compose(Mat1& A, Mat2& B) : _A(A), _B(B) {}

    template<class InVec, class OutVec>
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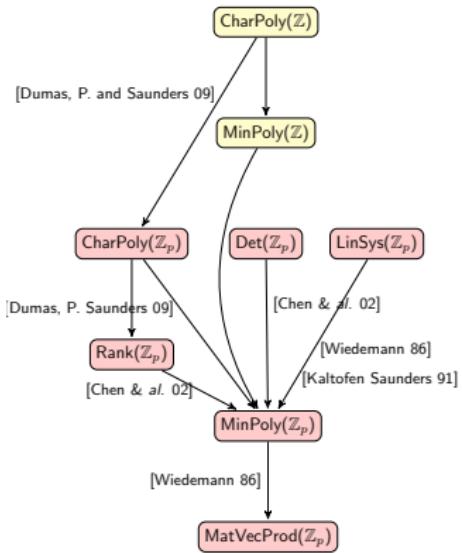
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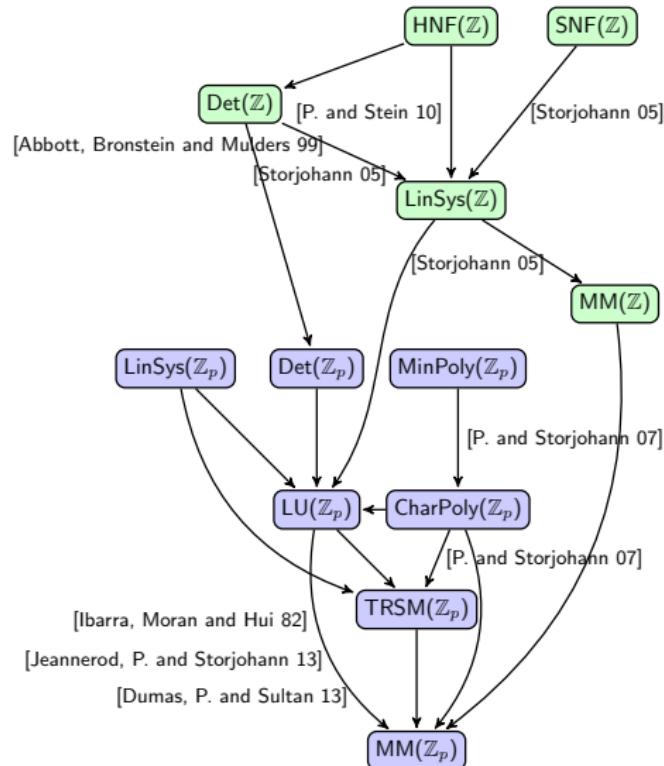
[Schönhage 72]: QR in $O(n^\omega)$

[Bunch, Hopcroft 74]: LU in $O(n^\omega)$

[Ibarra & al. 82]: Rank in $O(n^\omega)$

[Keller-Gehrig 85]: CharPoly in
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- ② Improve existing reductions (LU, Echelon)
 - ▷ leading constants
 - ▷ memory footprint
- ③ Produce new reduction schemes (CharPoly)

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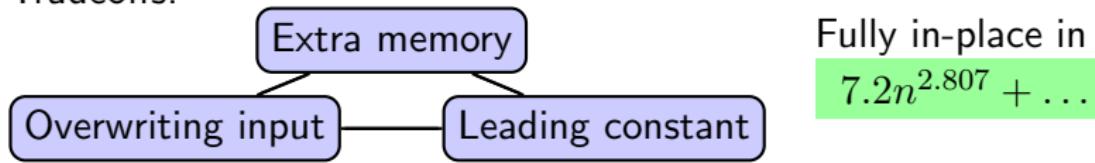
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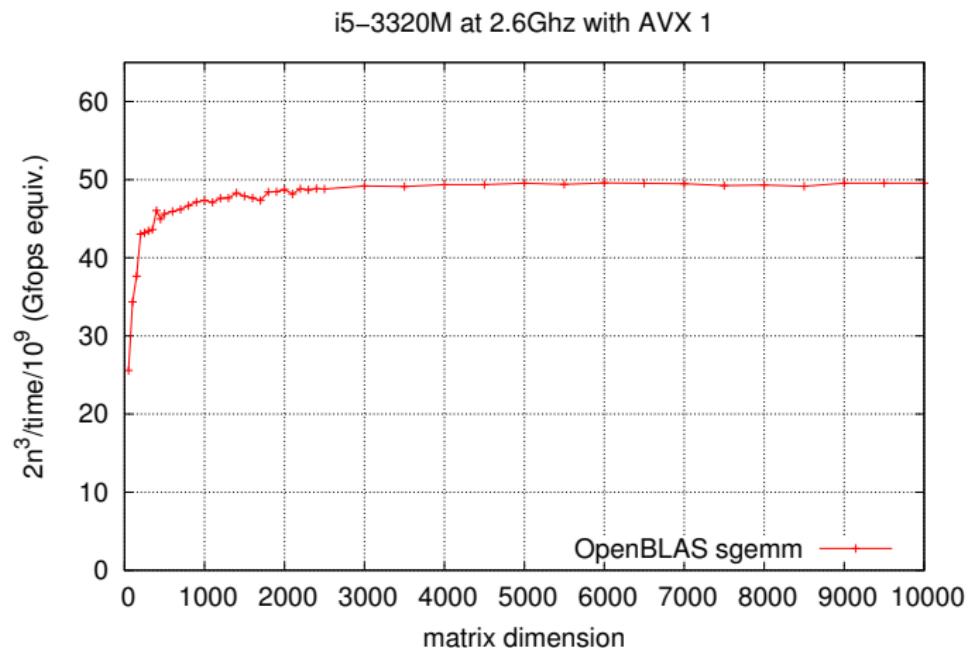
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with memory efficient schedules [Boyer, Dumas, P. and Zhou 09]

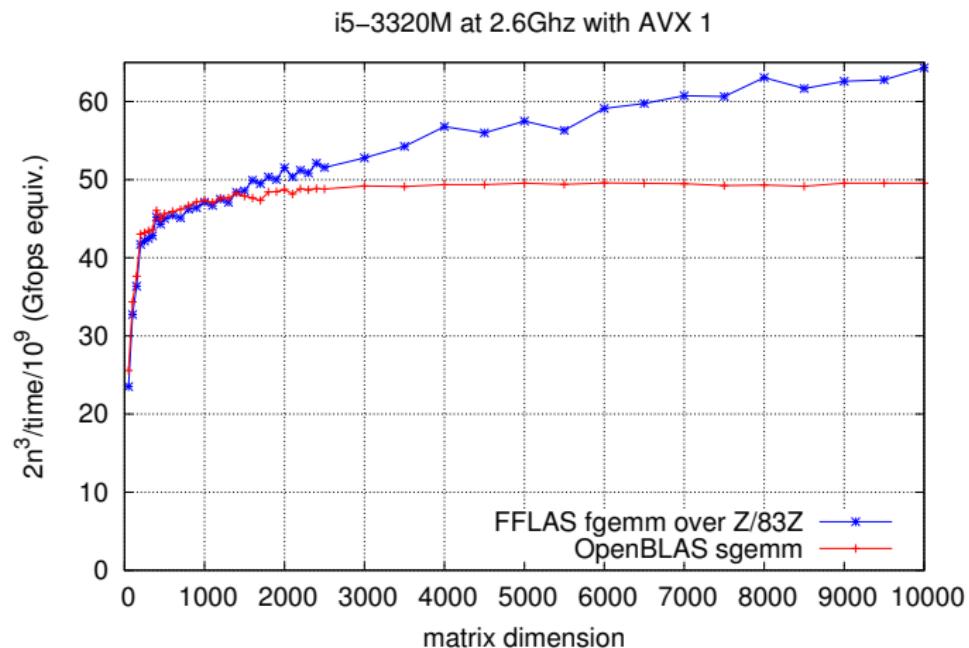
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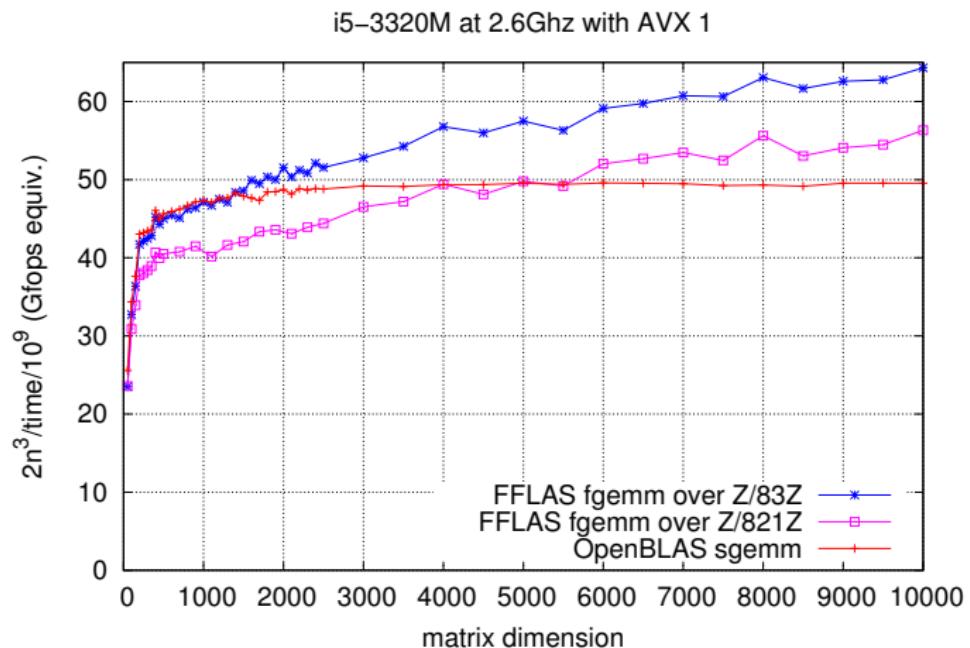


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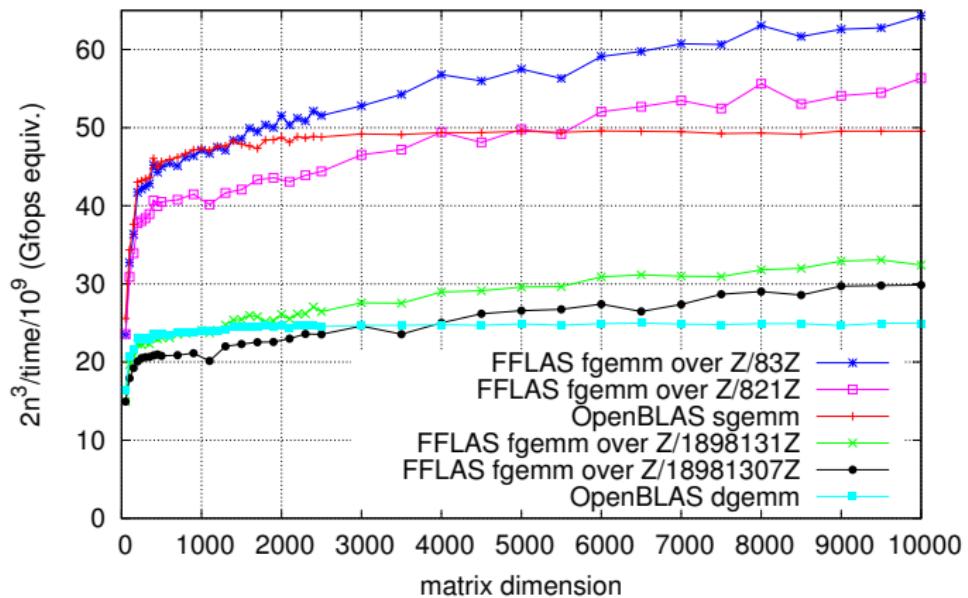


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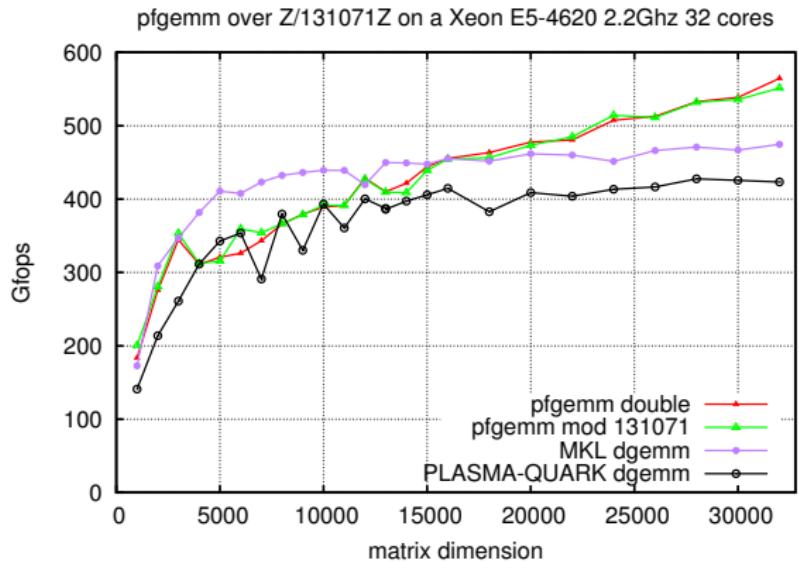
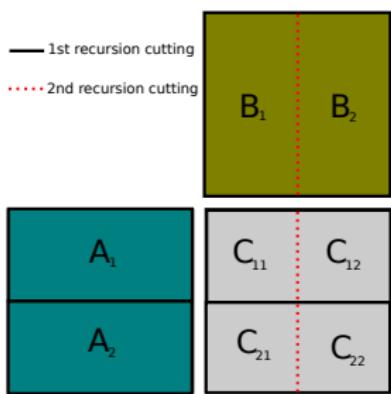
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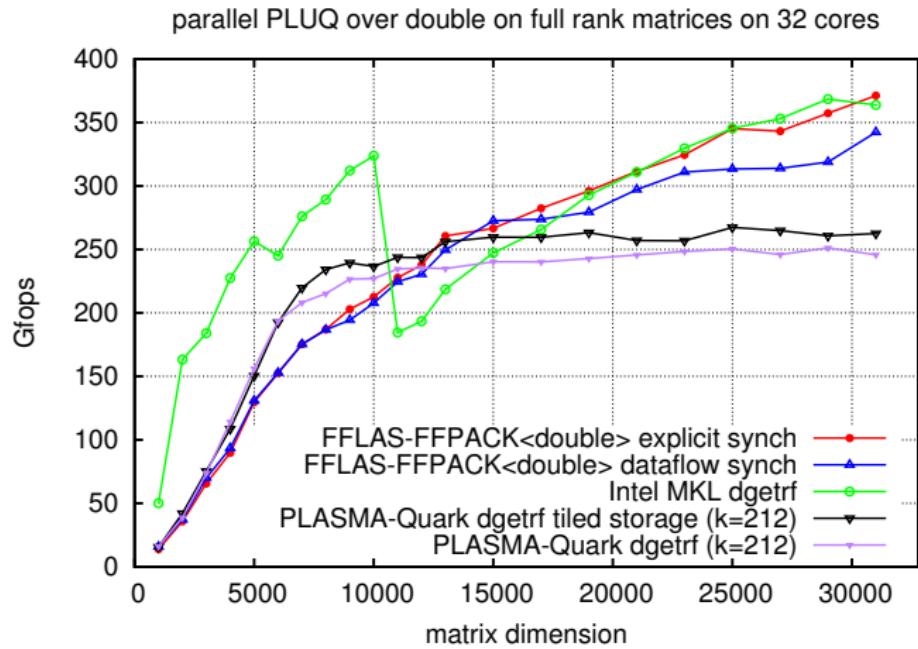
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