High-throughput Sequence Alignment using Graphics Processing Units

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Searching Wikipedia

- How do you find all pages with your name in the Wikipedia
 - 4M pages x 250 words / page = IB words to search



- Sequentially searching every word is too slow, we need an index
 - Is the query Q present, and if so, where?
 - Are there any partial or approximate occurrences of Q?

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Fast Indexing with Suffix Trees

Suffix tree of "BANANA\$"



- Tree of all suffixes of string S
 - Suffix i encoded on path to leaf i
 - Nodes: positions where suffixes diverge
 - Edges: substrings of S
 - Leaves: starting position of suffix
- O(n) Construction
 - Ukkonen's Algorithm
 - $O(|\Sigma|n)$ space
 - Exploits inter-suffix relationships and suffix links
- O(q) Substring Matching
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 - Allows variable length searches
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Suffix Trees for DNA Sequences

Suffix tree of "CAGAGA\$"



Searching for "CAG" => 0 Searching for "AGA" => 1,3 Searching for "AGG" => Partial match at 1,3

- Genome of an organism encodes the genetic information in long sequence of 4 DNA nucleotides: Σ=ACGT
 - Bacteria: ~5 million bp
 - Humans: ~3 billion bp
- Current DNA sequencing machines can generate I-2 Gbp of sequence per day
 - Millions of short reads (25-300bp)
- Recent studies of individual human genomes used 3.3 (Wang, et al., 2008) & 4.0 (Bentley, et al., 2008) billion 36bp reads
 - Mapped reads to reference human genome to discover variations between people
 - Many more studies underway

Personal Genomics

• How does your genome compare to Craig's?



MUMmerGPU I.0 Overview



- I. Load reference & construct suffix tree
- 2. Load query strings
- 3. Transfer data to GPU
- 4. Execute match kernel
 - Many simultaneous matches
- 5. Fetch results from GPU
- 6. Post-process & output results

High-throughput sequence alignment using Graphics Processing Units. Schatz, MC, Trapnell, C, Delcher, AL, Varshney, A. (2007) *BMC Bioinformatics* 8:474.

MUMmerGPU 1.0 Results

Reference	Reference Length (bp)	# queries	Query length mean ± stdev	Min alignment length (l)	Speedup
C. briggsae Sanger sequencing	3, 63, 7	2,357,666	717.84 ± 159.44	100	3.71
L. monocytogenes 454 pyrosequencing	2,944,528	6,620,471	200.54 ± 60.51	20	3.79
S. s <i>uis</i> Illumina/Solexa sequencing	2,007,491	26,592,500	35.96 ± 0.27	20	3.47

- Compare MUMmerGPU versus standard MUMmer
 - End-to-end runtime ~3.5x faster than CPU version
 - GPU matching was 10x faster than CPU version
- Runtime dominated by post-processing matches for printing.
 - Match kernel finds coordinates in suffix tree, explore subtrees to find coordinates in the reference
 - Suffix tree construction, host-device IO were not a significant fraction of the runtime

MUMmerGPU 2.0 Highlights

- Rewrite the serial post-match print routines as a parallel GPU kernel
 - Stackless depth first search of the suffix tree
 - Explore a maze by keeping your right hand on the wall at all times
- Kernel Performance Tuning
 - Quantify relative performance of 128 variations from 7 binary options
 - Optimize register use & processor occupancy
 - Use textures to minimizing memory latency, but be careful of cache contention
- Overall effect:
 - Match kernel: up to 25% faster
 - Print kernel: up to 4x faster
 - * Paper under review, see me for preprint





Grand Challenge of Biology



"NextGen sequencing has completely outrun the ability of good bioinformatics people to keep up with the data and use it well... We need a MASSIVE effort in the development of tools for "normal" biologists to make better use of massive sequence databases."

Jonathan Eisen – JGI Users Meeting – 3/28/09

Contributions

- Dramatically accelerate personal genomics on commodity hardware
- Developed novel GPU kernels, and guidelines for data intensive GPGPU programming

More information:

http://mummergpu.souceforge.net

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