Quasi triangular matrices multiplication in Kalman filter estimation

# **Problem setting**

We want to optimize the matrix multiplication used in the estimate of the Kalman filter.

In particular we want to speed up the computation of the following steps:

$$Ta_{t-1|t-1}$$
(1.1)  
$$TP_{t-1|t-1}T'$$

where

*T* is upper quasi-triangular matrix;

*P* is symmetric (with diagonal non negative diagonal elements); *a* is a vector.

### Strategy

The main idea is to replace right multiplication T' with transpose, where *T* is a lower quasi-triangular matrix. Given the property of the matrices *T* and *P* and since we need to compute TST' we propose the following strategy.

We first write (see QT2Ld.f90 and QT2T.f90)

$$T = T_1 + L_d \tag{2.1}$$

as the sum of a upper triangular matrix  $T_1$  and a lower sub diagonal matrix

$$L_d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ * & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & * & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ & \ddots & * & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & * & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where only elements  $L_d(i, i-1)$  may be different from zeros.

We also write the symmetric matrix (see S2U.f90 and S2D.f90)

$$P = U + D + U' \tag{2.2}$$

where

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & P_{12} & \dots & P_{1n} \\ 0 & \ddots & & & \\ \vdots & & & & \\ & & & P_{n-1n} \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} P_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & P_{22} & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \\ & 0 & & \dots & P_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

#### **2.1** *Ta*

According to decomposition (2.1) we write

$$Ta = T_1 a + L_d a.$$

It is easy to see that  $L_d a = (0, T_{2,1}a_2, \dots, T_{n,n-1}a_n)'$  (see LdV.f90). The multiplication (see TV.f90)  $T_1 a$  consists in  $\frac{N*N*(N+1)}{2}$  operations.

#### **2.2** *TPT'*

According to decomposition (2.1) and (2.2) we write

$$TPT' = (T_1 + L_d)P(T'_1 + L'_d)$$

$$= T_1PT' + T_1PL'_d + L_dPT'_1 + L_dPL'_d.$$
(2.3)

We observe that  $L_d M$ , where M is an arbitrary matrix, is equal to the matrix whose only non zero rows are those corresponding to the non zero elements of  $L_d$  (see LdM.f90).

We can use the symmetricitity of *P* and consider as a whole  $T_1PL'_d + L_dPT'_1$ . We first compute  $X = T_1P$  (see TM.f90), we have

$$T_1SL'_d + L_dST'_1 = XL_d + L_dX'$$
$$= L_dX' + (L_dX')'.$$

In this way we have replaced right multiplication by T' and, instead, we use left multiplication by  $L_d$  (which we know it is very low computational demanding) and a matrix transpose.

The computation of  $L_dSL'_d$  is quite straightforward (see LdSLd.f90), since it ends out top be equal to the matrix whose elements are given by

$$L_d(i, i-1)S(i-1, j-i)L_d(j, j-1),$$

i.e. the only non zero terms are those corresponding to the non zeros elements of  $L_d$ .

To compute  $T_1PT'_1$ , we propose two different approaches:

- **direct computation:** we directly compute  $T_1PT'_1$  using properties of triangular and symmetric matrices (see TSTt.f90)
- **decomposition of symmetric matrices:** if we may use multiple processors, we may think of computing  $T_1PT'_1$  by applying (2.2). We write

$$T_{1}PT_{1}' = T_{1}(U + D + U')T_{1}'$$

$$= T_{1}UT_{1}' + T_{1}DT_{1}' + T_{1}U'T_{1}'.$$
(2.4)

We observe that the diagonal elements of *S* are all non negative. We then define  $\sqrt{D}$  as the diagonal matrix whose elements are the square roots of the diagonal elements of *S* (which is *D* in (2.2)).

Let  $Y_U = T_1 U$  (see TU.f90) and  $Y_D = T_1 \sqrt{D}$  (see TD.f90).

Equation (2.4) becomes

$$T_1UT_1' + T_1DT_1' + T_1U'T_1' = Y_UT_1' + Y_DY_D' + T_1Y_U$$
  
=  $T_1Y_U + (T_1Y_U)' + Y_DY_D'.$ 

Once again instead of right multiplication by a lower triangular matrix  $(T'_1)$ , we need to compute matrix transposes.

Setting  $X_1 = L_d X' = L_d (T_1 P)'$  (see LdM.f90),  $X_2 = T_1 Y'_U = T_1 (T_1 U)'$  (see TM.f90) and  $X_3 = Y_D$ , we have

$$TPT' = X_1 + X_1' + L_d PL_d' + X_2 + X_2' + X_3 X_3',$$

which can be also thought in terms of parallel routines (if multiple processors are available).

### Routines

In order to apply the proposed strategies, we have the following FORTRAN 90 routines:

- QT2Ld.f90: extracts the lower diagonal part  $L_d$  from an upper quasi-triangular matrix QT
- QT2T.f90: extracts the upper triangular part T from an upper quasi-triangular matrix QT
- S2D.f90: extracts the square diagonal part  $\sqrt{D}$  from a symmetric matrix S
- S2U.f90: extracts the over diagonal part U from a symmetric matrix S
- TV.f90: T \* V where T is upper triangular and V is a vector
- LdV.f90:  $L_d * V$  where  $L_d$  is lower diagonal and V is a vector
- LdSLd.f90:  $L_d * S * L'_d$  where  $L_d$  is lower diagonal and S is symmetric
- LdM.f90:  $L_d * M$  where  $L_d$  is lower diagonal and M is arbitrary
- TD.f90: T \* V where T is upper triangular and D is a diagonal
- TM.f90: T \* M where T is upper triangular and M is arbitrary
- TU.f90: T \* U where T is upper triangular and U is over diagonal
- TUt.f90: T \* U' where T is upper triangular and U is over diagonal
- TT.f90:  $T_1 * T_2$  where both  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are upper triangular matrices
- TSTt.f90: T \* S \* T' where T is upper triangular and S is a symmetric

### Sequence of routine's calls

Given an upper quasi-triangular matrix T and a symmetric matrix P, whose dimension is equal to n and a vector a, we do the following steps:

Ta:

1. 
$$T_1 = QT2T(QT, n)$$
 and  $L_d = QT2L_d(QT, n)$ ;

2. 
$$Ta = LdV(L_d, a, n) + TV(T_1, a, n)$$
.

TPT':

Case 1:

1. 
$$T_1 = QT2T(QT, n)$$
 and  $L_d = QT2L_d(QT, n)$ ;  
2.  $X = TM(T_1, S, n)$  and  $X_2 = LdSLd(L_d, P, n)$ ;  
3.  $X_1 = LdM(L_d, X', n), X_3 = TSTt(T_1, P, n)$ ;  
4.  $TPT' = X_1 + X'_1 + X_2 + X_3$ 

Case 2:

- 1.  $T_1 = QT2T(QT, n)$  and  $L_d = QT2L_d(QT, n)$ ;
- 2. U = S2U(P, n) and  $\sqrt{D} = S2D(S, n)$ ;
- 3.  $X = TM(T_1, S, n), Y_U = TU(T_1, U, n)$  and  $Y_D = TD(T_1, D, n)$ ;
- 4.  $X_1 = LdM(L_d, X', n), X_2 = TM(T_1, Y_U, n), X_3 = TM(Y_D, Y'_D, n)$  and  $X_4 = LdSLd(L_d, P, n);$
- 5.  $TPT' = X_1 + X'_1 + X_4 + X_2 + X'_2 + X_3$ .