Connected Components

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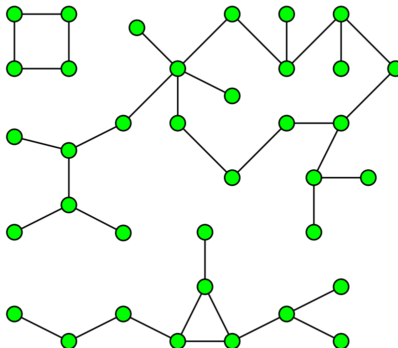
Determine the **number** and **size** of the connected components of a given graph.



boost graph library[1]

- provides function to compute number of connected components
- uses DFS

[1] Jeremy G Siek, Lie-Quan Lee, and Andrew Lumsdaine. *Boost Graph Library: User Guide and Reference Manual, The*. Pearson Education, 2001.

parallel boost graph library [2]

- provides function to compute number of connected components
- uses hooking approach similar to ligra
- implemented using boost MPI for distributed memory

[2] Douglas Gregor and Andrew Lumsdaine. "The Parallel BGL: A generic library for distributed graph computations". In: *Parallel Object-Oriented Scientific Computing (POOSC)* (2005).

Ligra[3]

- lightweight graph processing framework for shared memory
- provides two functions: VertexMap and EdgeMap
- many examples implemented e.g. Connected Components

[3] Julian Shun and Guy E Blelloch. "Ligra: a lightweight graph processing framework for shared memory". In: *Proceedings of the 18th ACM SIGPLAN symposium on Principles and practice of parallel programming*. ACM. 2013, pp. 135–146.

Ligra: provided Functions

Vertex Map

Returns all vertices $u \in U$ with $F(u) == 1$

1: **procedure** VERTEXMAP(U, F)
2: Out $= \{\}$
3: **parfor** $u \in U$ **do**
4: **if** $(F(u) == 1)$ **then** Add u to Out
5: **return** Out

Ligra: provided Functions

Edge Map Dense

Loops through **all vertices** *i* **in the Graph**

1: **procedure** EDGEMAPDENSE(G, U, F, C)
2: Out = {}
3: **parfor** $i \in \{0, \ldots, |V| - 1\}$ **do**
4: **if** $(C(i) == 1)$ **then**
5: **for** ngh $\in N^{-}(i)$ **do**
6: **if** (ngh $\in U$ and $F(\text{ngh}, i) == 1$) **then**
7: Add i to Out
8: **if** $(C(i) == 0)$ **then break**
9: **return** Out

Ligra: provided Functions

Edge Map Dense

Loops through **vertices in given Subset** U.

1: **procedure** EDGEMAPSPARSE(G, U, F, C)
2: Out = {}
3: **parfor** each $v \in U$ **do**
4: **parfor** ngh $\in N^{+}(v)$ **do**
5: **if** (C(ngh) == 1 and $F(v, \text{ngh})$ == 1) **then**
6: Add ngh to Out
7: Remove duplicates from Out
8: **return** Out

ligra: connected components

```
1:  IDs = {0, ..., |V| − 1}          ▷ initialized such that IDs[i] = i
2:  prevIDs = {0, ..., |V| − 1}      ▷ initialized such that prevIDs[i] = i
3:
4:  procedure CCUPDATE(s, d)
5:      origID = IDs[d]
6:      if (WRITEMIN(&IDs[d], IDs[s])) then
7:          return (origID == prevIDs[d])
8:      return 0
9:
10: procedure COPY(i)
11:     prevIDs[i] = IDs[i]
12:     return 1
13:
14: procedure CC(G)
15:     Frontier = {0, ..., |V| − 1}     ▷ vertexSubset initialized to V
16:     while (SIZE(Frontier) ≠ 0) do
17:         Frontier = VERTEXMAP(Frontier, COPY)
18:         Frontier = EDGEMAP(G, Frontier, CCUPDATE, C_true)
19:     return IDs
```

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- no Condition Function C
- our EdgeMap sparse and dense follow the EMsparse algorithm because our dense version is already significantly faster than ligra
- we change only the data structure for the frontier

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Frontier Sparse: 2D vector

Each thread adds to its own frontier vector.

+ no race conditions, no atomic write needed
+ few for small frontier
- duplicates may occur. Remove duplicates too expensive
- implicit barriers slow down read from frontier

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- write minimum id to node
  - uses compare and swap written in inline assembly

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Read Graph from file

- compute CC $\mathcal{O}(V + E)$ and read graph as well $\mathcal{O}(V + E)$
- $\Rightarrow$ banchmark time is algorithm time only

Read Graph from file

Requirement for reads to not count them in the benchmarking

- No information gain except list of neighbors and out degree while reading
- No sorting of nodes

If that is not fulfilled one can write algorithms that calculate the number of connected components while reading the graph

Sketch of $\mathcal{O}(1)$ CC-Algo

```
Number Components = N
Node(i).id = i

add edge(i,j){
    o1=find orig id(i)
    o2=find orig id(j)
    if(o1!=o2){
        o1=o2
        Number of Components - -
    }
}
```

[5] J. Hoshen and R. Kopelman. "Percolation and cluster distribution. I. Cluster multiple labeling technique and critical concentration algorithm". In: *Phys. Rev. B* 14 (8 1976), pp. 3438–3445. DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevB.14.3438. URL: http://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevB.14.3438.

Problem with this

Read with calculation	**Read normal**
Flickr-Graph (19'674'428 Edges)	
2'668'856 μs	1'458'167 μs
Wikipedia Graph (90'060'778 Edges)	
2'238'214'340 μs	11'420'153 μs

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rMat Graphs

All GraphX and rMat24 Graph are created with a random Graph generator from problem based benchmark suite[a] with parameters

$$a = 0.5,\ b = 0.1,\ c = 0.1,\ d = 0.3$$

[a] Julian Shun et al. "Brief announcement: the problem based benchmark suite". In: *Proceedinbgs of the 24th ACM symposium on Parallelism in algorithms and architectures*. ACM. 2012, pp. 68–70.

Boost parallel preconditions

Tested on small graphs with a given number of cores that communicate over MPI

Graph Parameters:

Graph0:

- V: 131072
- E: 2508284
- CC: 762

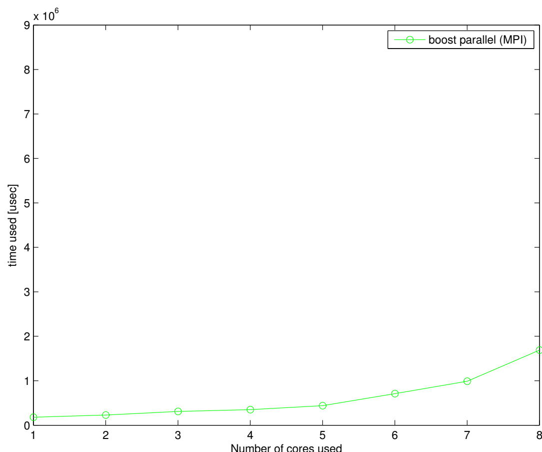
Graph1:

- V: 262144
- E: 5066324
- CC: 1765

Graph2:

- V: 524288
- E: 10211482
- CC: 4190

Boost parallel results I



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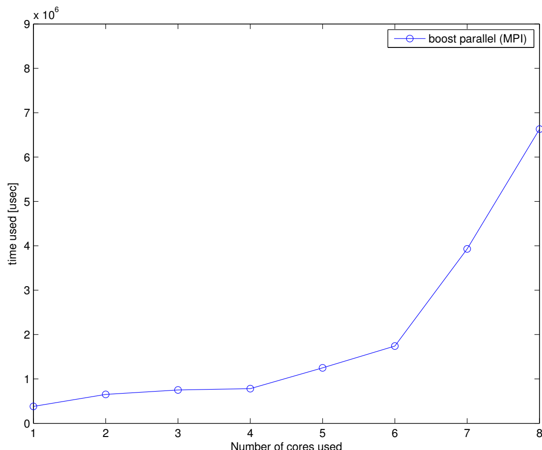

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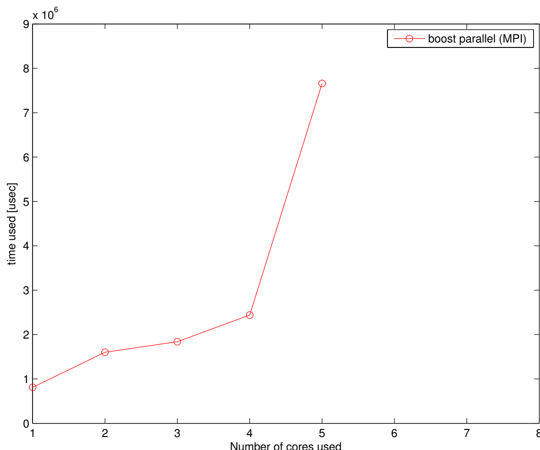

Serial vs Parallel preconditions

Testing Boost serial against our parallel alogrithm to see if parallelizing is worth:

Graph Parameters:

rMat24:

- V: 16777216
- E: 166976680
- CC: 935879

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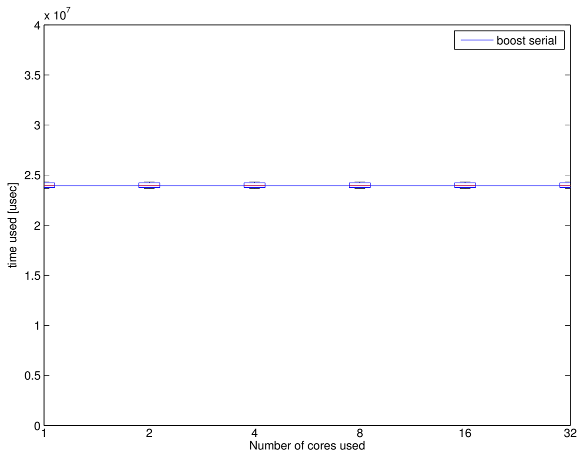

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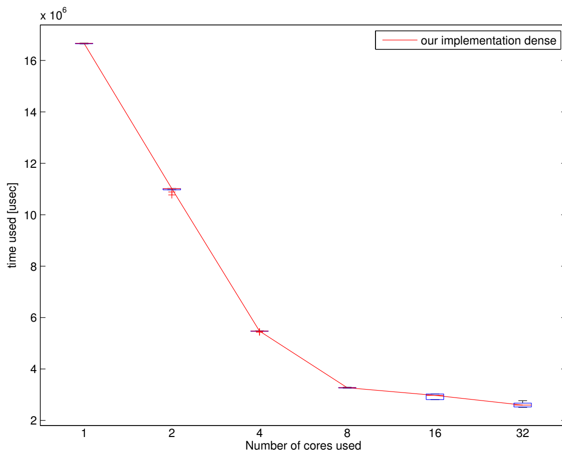

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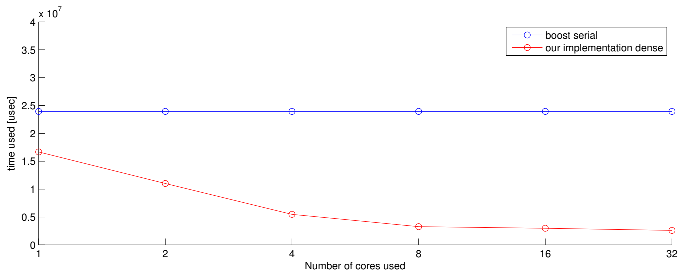

Sparse vs Dense vs Mix preconditions

Having a sparse and a dense implementation we wanted to see how they preform against each other
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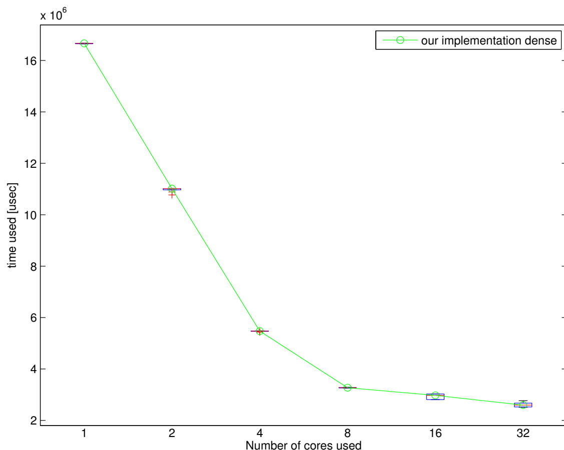

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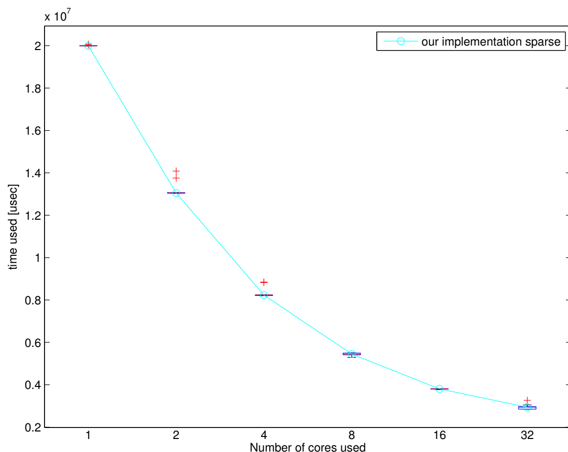

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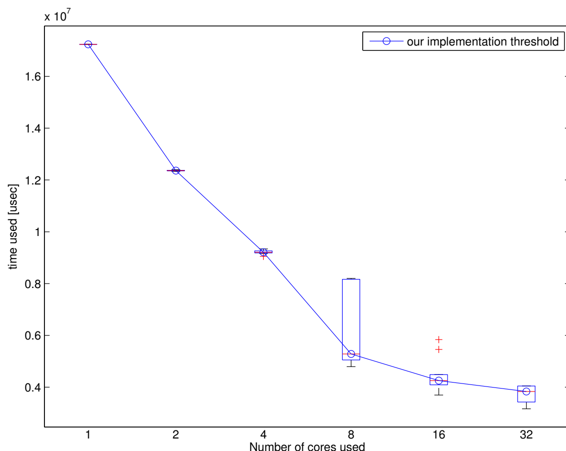

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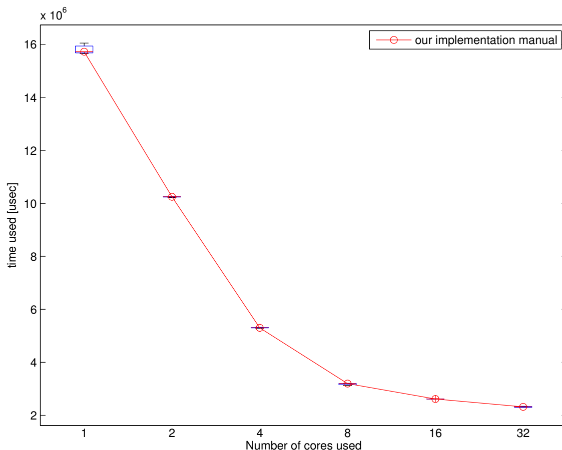

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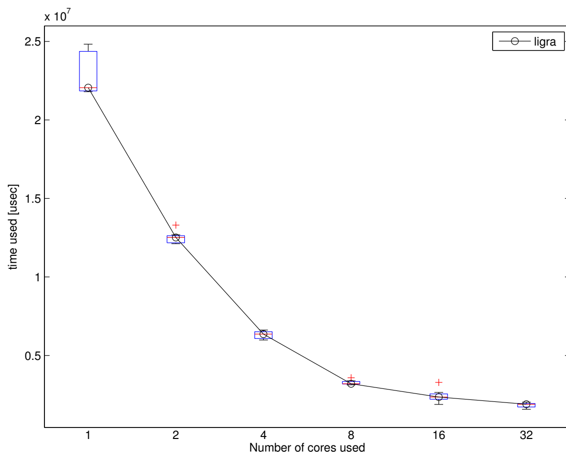

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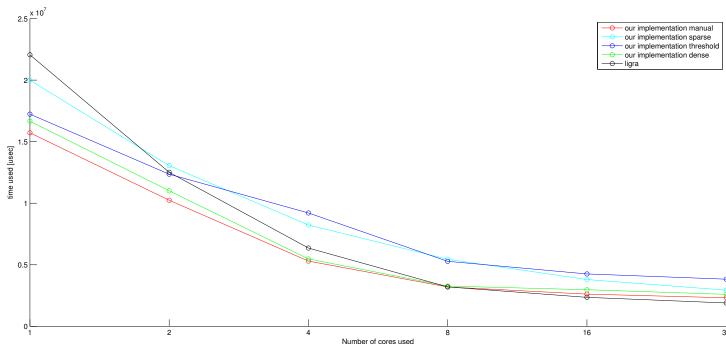

Strong Scaling preconditions

Analyzing the scaling of the algorithms
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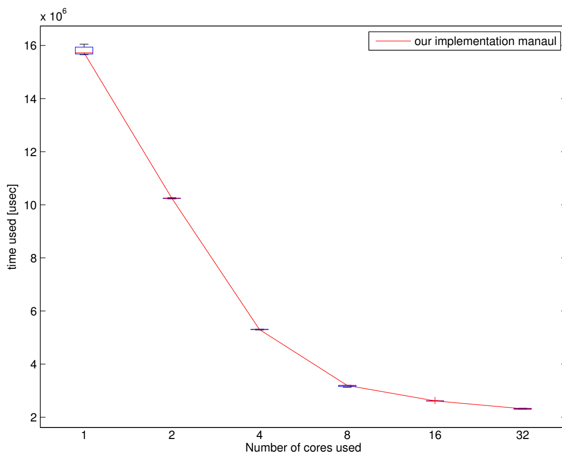

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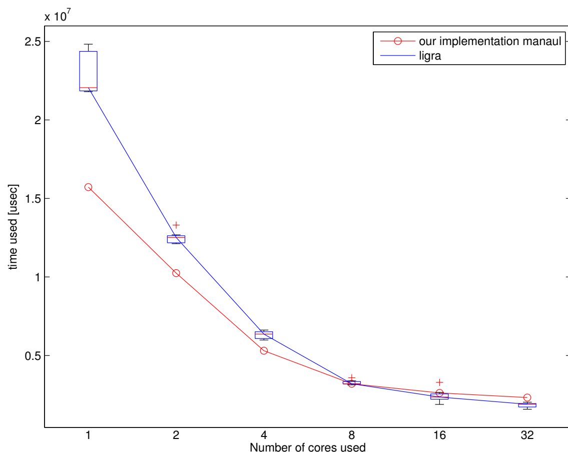

Weak Scaling preconditions

Analyzing the scaling of the algorithms:

$$E_w(p) = \frac{T(1)}{T(p)}$$

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- CC: 1765

Graph2:

- V: 524288
- E: 10211482
- CC: 4190

Graph3:

- V: 1048576
- E: 20544690
- CC: 9803

Graph4:

- V: 2097152
- E: 41280250
- CC: 22753

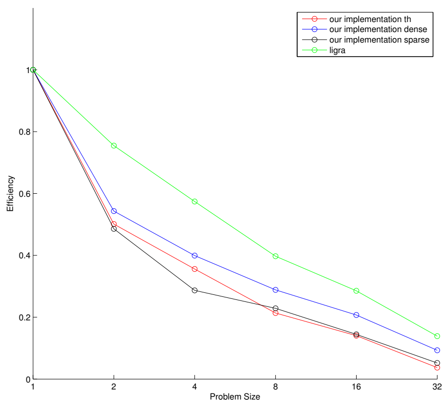
Graph5:

- V: 4194304
- E: 82857080
- CC: 51611

Graph6:

- V: 8388608
- E: 166177454
- CC: 116372

Weak Scaling results



US Roads preconditions

Adapting the algorithms to real world problems:
Graph Parameters:

US-Roads:

- V: 129164
- E: 330870
- CC: 56

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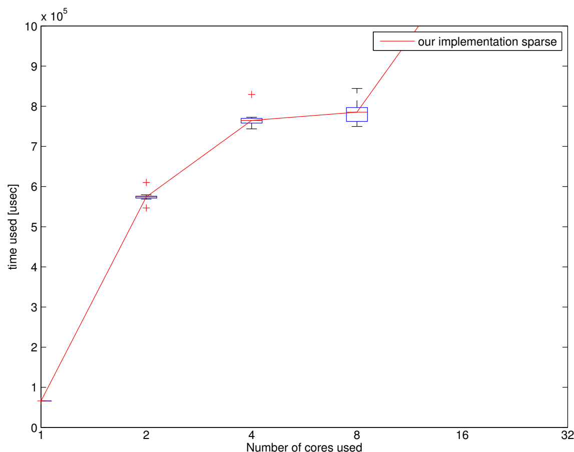

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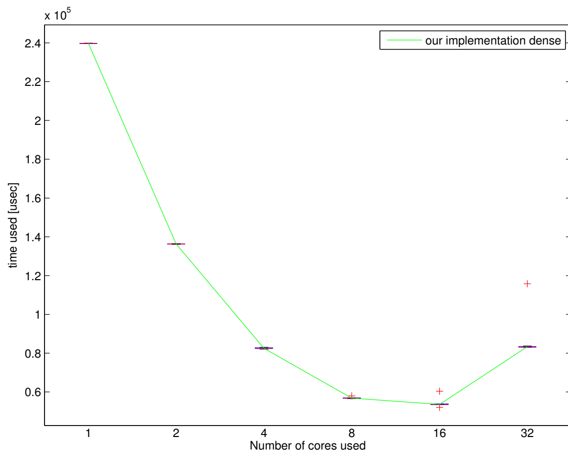

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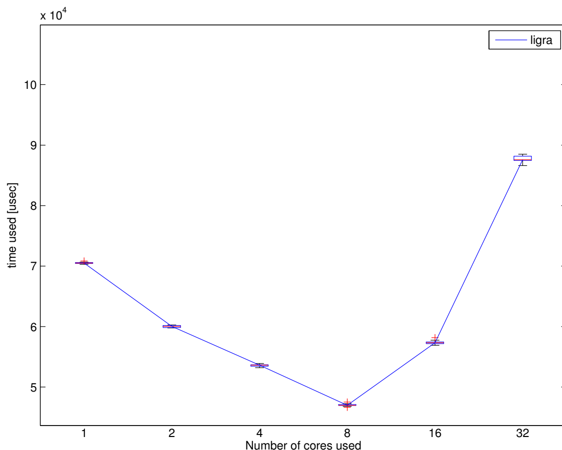

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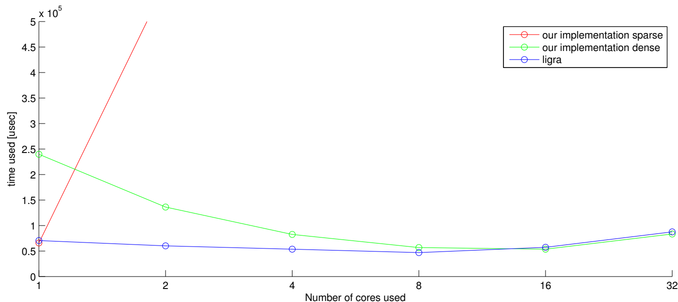


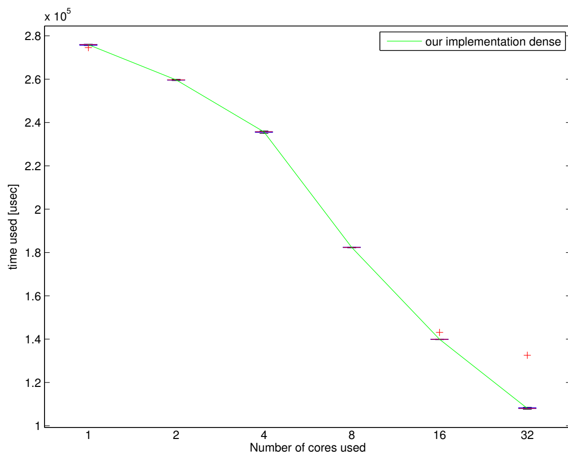
Flickr preconditions

More real world problems: **Graph Parameters:**

Flickr:

- V: 820878
- E: 19674428
- CC: 1

Flickr results I



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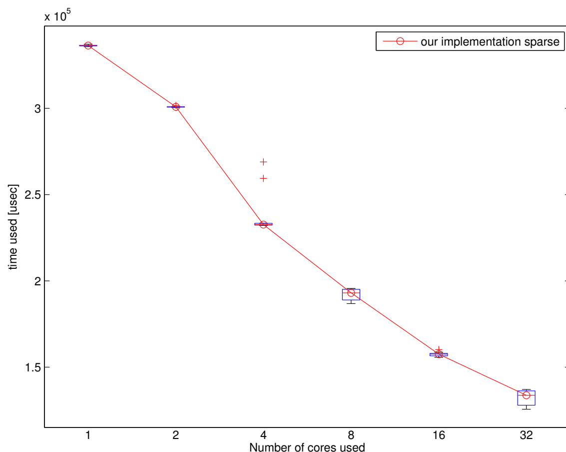

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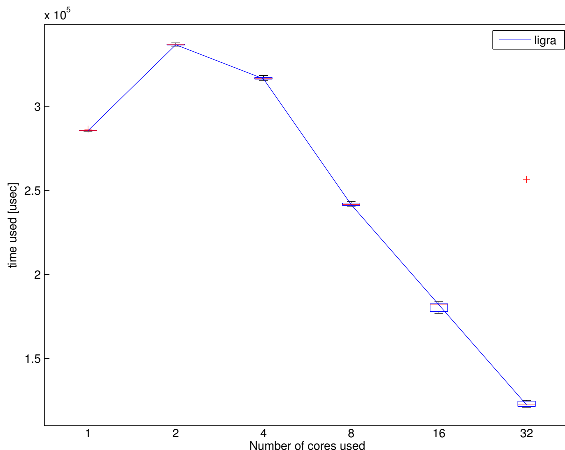

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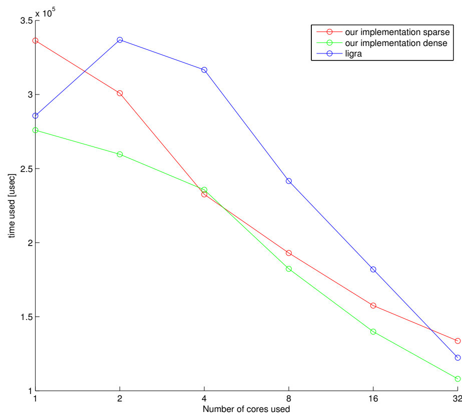


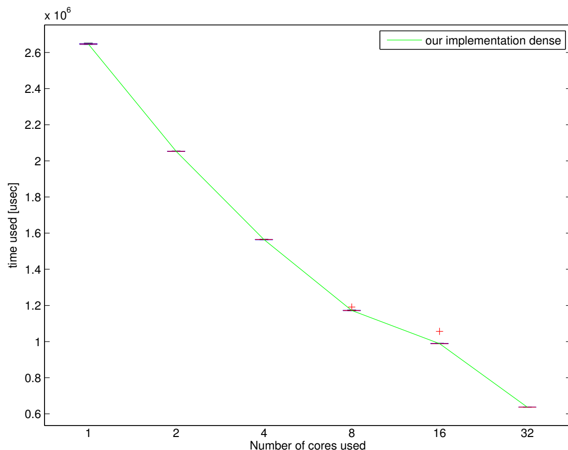
Wikipedia preconditions

More real world problems: **Graph Parameters:**

Wikipedia:

- V: 3566907
- E: 90060778
- CC: 52922

Wikipedia results I



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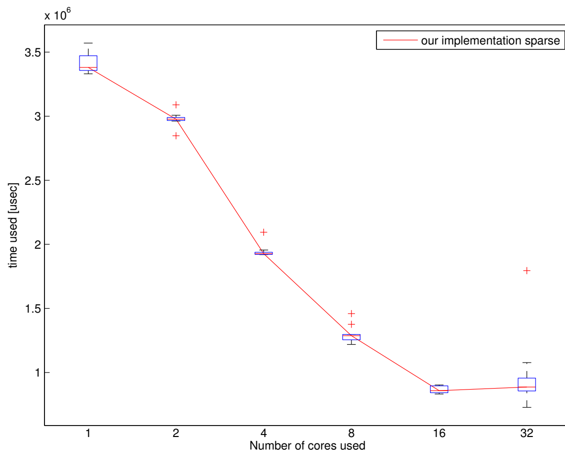

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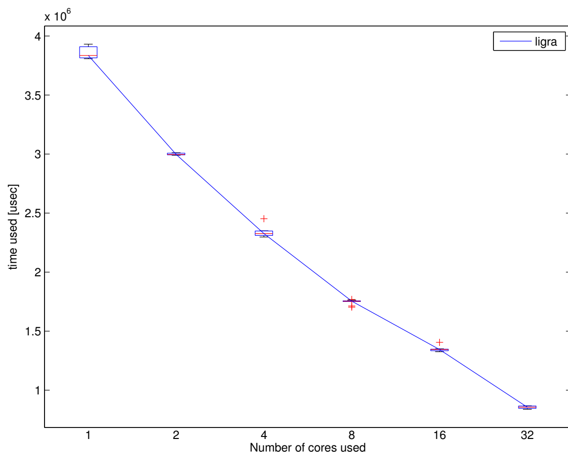

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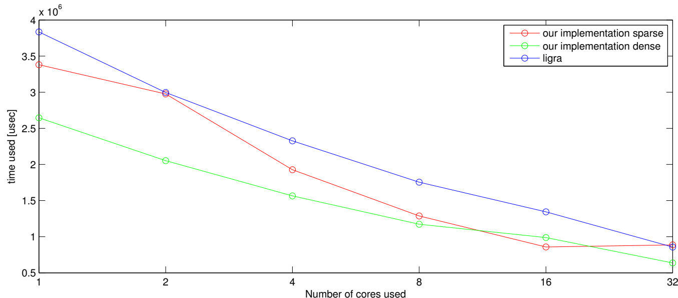

Conclusion

- we found an implementation which is faster than ligra on some real world graphs
- ligra has a better scaling behavior on rMat graphs, but consumes twice as much memory
- sparse representation has only little advantage because of big overhead for switching between representations