# Hierarchical Probing for General Graphs, a method for computing diag(f(A))

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#### The problem

Given a large,  $N \times N$  matrix A and a function f

find 
$$diag(f(A))$$

Related problem: find trace of f(A):  $\mathbf{Tr}(f(A))$ 

Recall: 
$$\mathbf{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} A_{ii} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_i(A)$$

Constraint: factorization methods prohibitive



#### The problem

Common functions  $f(A): A^{-1}$ ,  $\log(A)$ ,  $\exp(A)$ ,  $R_i^T A^{-1} R_j$ ,  $A^k$ , ...

#### Applications:

• Graph/Data Mining/Uncertainty Quantification

Counting loops in network analysis

Node centralities are diagonals of exp(A)

Diagonal of inverse of covariance matrices measures confidence in data

• Quantum Monte Carlo Stopping criterion based on ratio of determinants,  $det(A) = exp(\mathbf{Tr}(\log(A)))$ 

Lattice QCD

 $\mathbf{Tr}(A^{-1})$  needed for sequences of matrices

Our focus:  $f(A) = A^{-1}$  but techniques general



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end
$$t(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{j}^{H}A^{-1}x_{j}$$

Our goal: Reduce Variance



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- Approximate  $M \approx A^{-1}$ ,  $\mathbf{Tr}(A^{-1}) = \mathbf{Tr}(M) + \mathbf{Tr}(A^{-1} M)$  hope that  $t(A^{-1} M)$  has smaller variance
- Choose vectors that remove particular patterns of  $A^{-1}$



### Selecting the vectors in $x^T A^{-1}x$

#### Random

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x \in \mathbb{Z}_2^N best variance for real matrices (Hutchinson 1989) x = \operatorname{randn}(N, 1) worse variance than \mathbb{Z}_2 variance depends only on \operatorname{diag}(A^{-1}) single large element? x = F^T e_i mixing of diagonal elements: (Toledo et al. 2010) F DFT Best mixing but complex H Hadamard Best mixing and real
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#### Deterministic

$$x = H^T e_i, i = 1,..., 2^k$$
 Hadamard in natural order (Bekas et al. 2007)  
 $x_i^m = \begin{cases} 1 & i \in C_m \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$  Probing. Assumes multicolored graph (Tang et al. 2011)

Deterministic more effective if they could capture matrix structure



#### Hadamard vectors in natural order

$$H_1 = 1, \ \ H_{2^{k+1}} = \left[ egin{array}{cc} H_{2^k} & H_{2^k} \ H_{2^k} & -H_{2^k} \end{array} 
ight]$$

 $\mathbf{Tr}(A^{-1}) \approx \frac{1}{m} \mathbf{Tr}(h^T A^{-1} h)$ , where  $h = \mathbb{H}(:, 1:m)$  the first  $m = 2^k$  vectors

Eliminates error contribution of all diagonals of A except  $1 + i \cdot m$ , i = 0, 1, 2, ...

e.g., for 
$$m = 4$$
,

$$\frac{1}{4}hh^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ & & \vdots & & & \vdots & & & \end{bmatrix}$$
 no contribution from corresponding to a 0

no contribution from  $A_{ij}^{-1}$  elements



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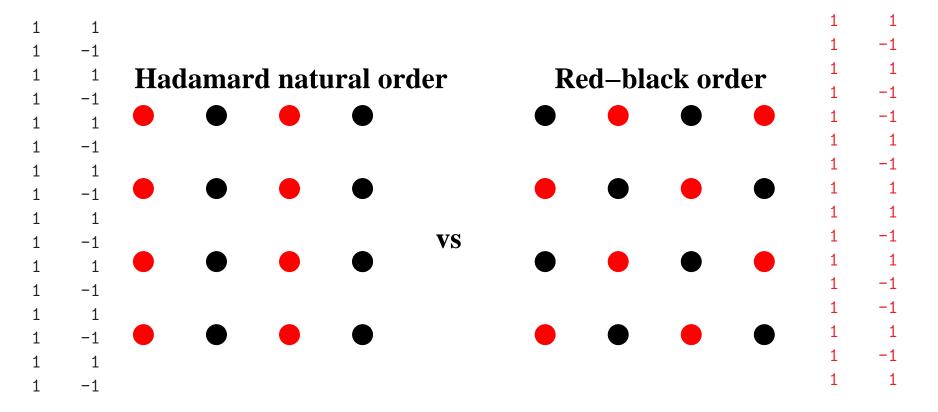
1-D grid: m = 2 Hadamard vectors sufficient for  $\mathbf{Tr}(A)$ 

2-D grid: m = 2 natural order does not align with diagonals of A

But two different Hadamard vectors align.

Given ip, the inverse red-black permutation,  $h = H(ip, [1, \frac{N}{2}])$ 

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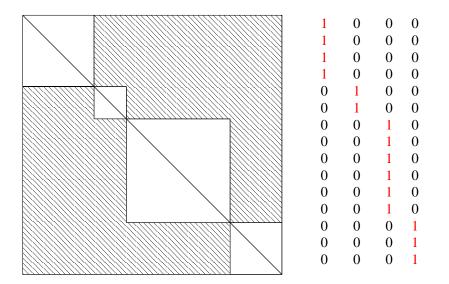


### Probing, Green's function, and $A^{-1}$

#### Probing:

The trace of an *m*-colorable sparse matrix is recovered exactly by *m* vectors

$$\mathbf{Tr}(A) = \mathbf{Tr}(h^T A h)$$



#### Green's function

Elements of  $A^{-1}$  decay in magnitude away from the non-zero structure of A

### Probing for $\mathbf{Tr}(A^{-1})$

Color  $A^k \equiv$  distance-k coloring of A. Captures largest elements of  $A^{-1}$ 

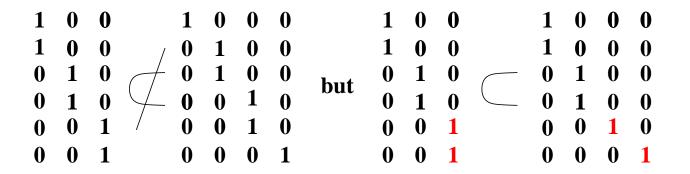
#### **Problems:**

- (1) If  $\mathbf{Tr}(A^{-1})$  not accurate enough, discard work and repeat for larger k
- (2) Coloring expensive for large k



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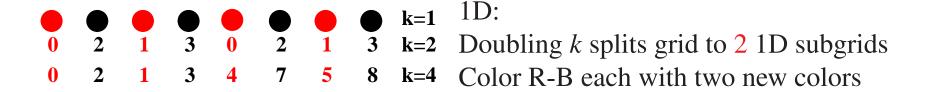
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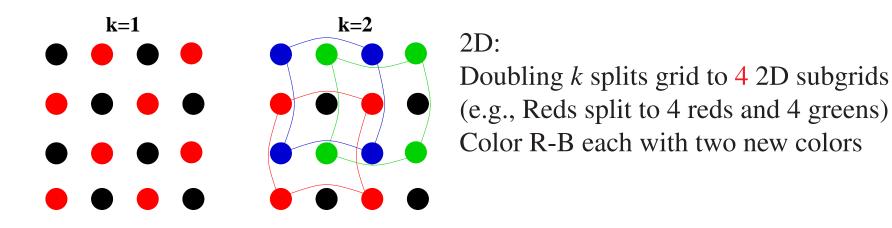
Since, 
$$\begin{bmatrix} e & 0 \\ 0 & e \end{bmatrix} \in \{ \begin{bmatrix} e & e \\ e & -e \end{bmatrix} \}$$
, with  $e = [1, ..., 1]^T$ , no probing vectors needed.

More colors means adding selected Hadamard vectors



Hierarchy  $\Rightarrow$  distance  $k = 2^m$ 





#### Algorithm in d-dimensions:

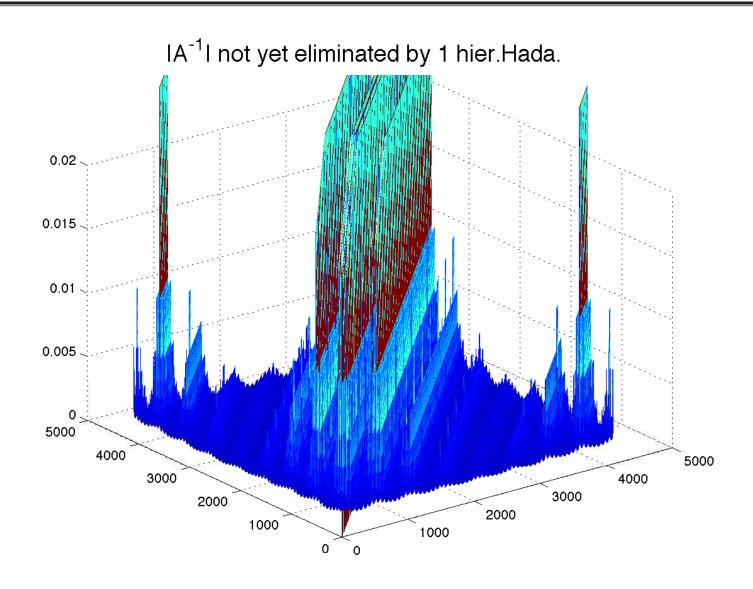
- 1. Recursively split a lattice  $\prod_{i=1}^d 2^{c_i}$  to  $2^d$  sublattices of size  $\prod_{i=1}^d 2^{c_i-1}$
- 2. When no further splits possible, Red-Black each sublattice with unique colors.
- 3. Choose unique colors appropriately to guarantee nesting

#### Properties:

- $2k^d$  colors at distance k, but taking k to max dist produces 1 permutation that contains all previous colorings
- Efficient bit-arithmetic algorithm  $O(N \log(N)/d)$
- No additional memory
- Used incrementally with powers of 2 of Hadamard vectors
- Permutation and generation of Hadamard naturally parallel on each site

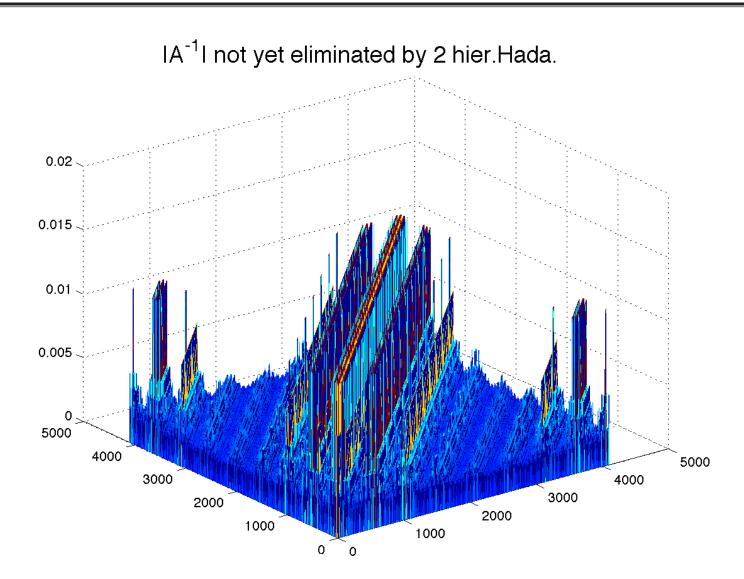
Resolved the two problems of probing





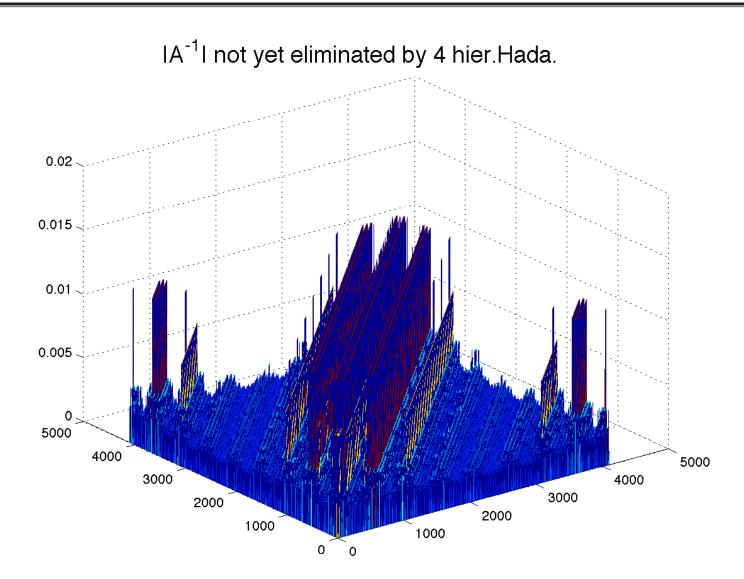
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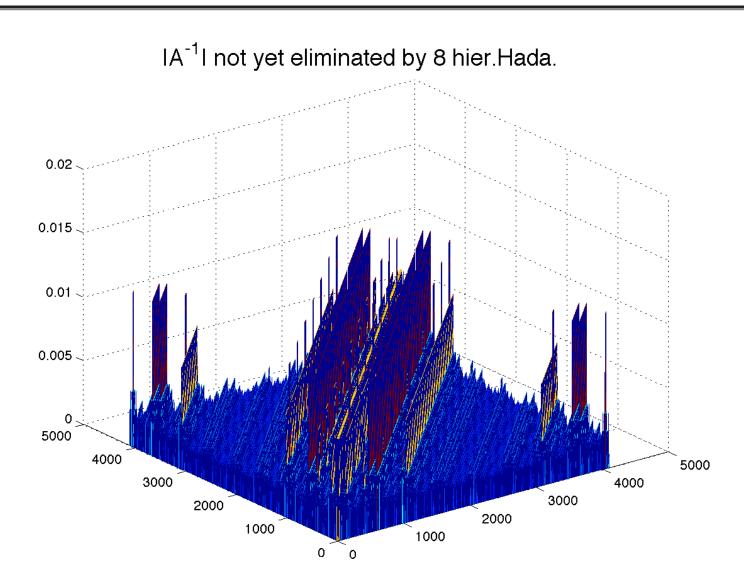
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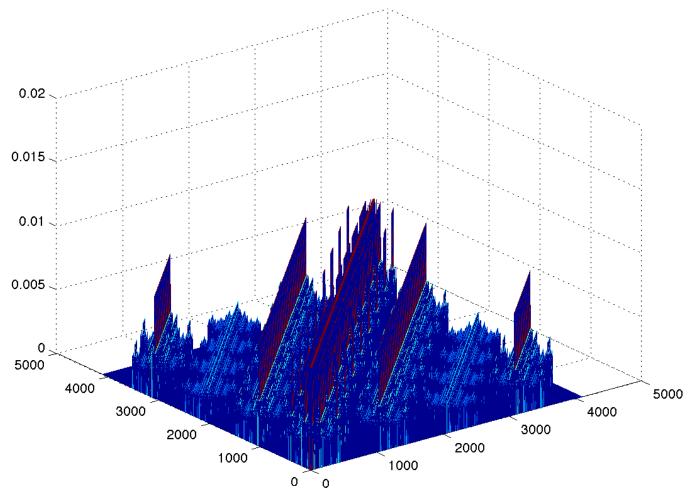




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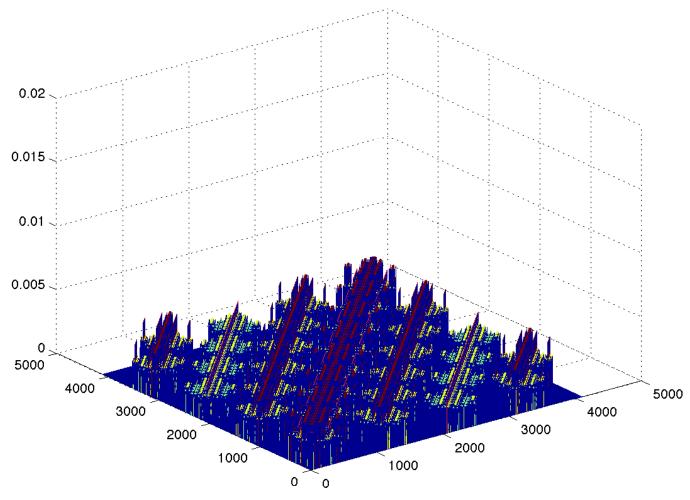
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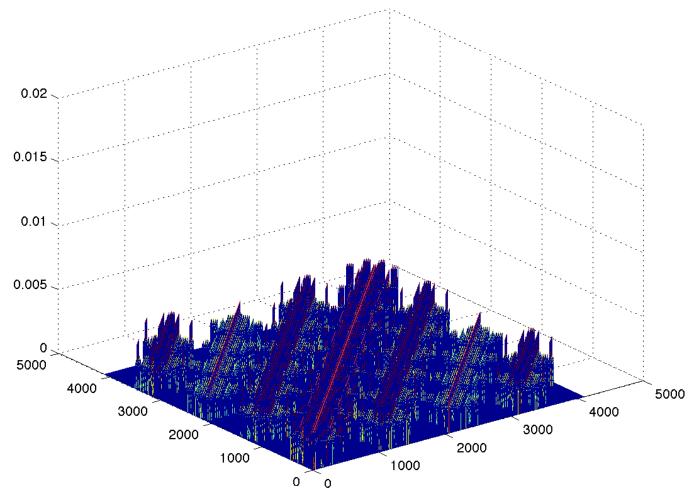
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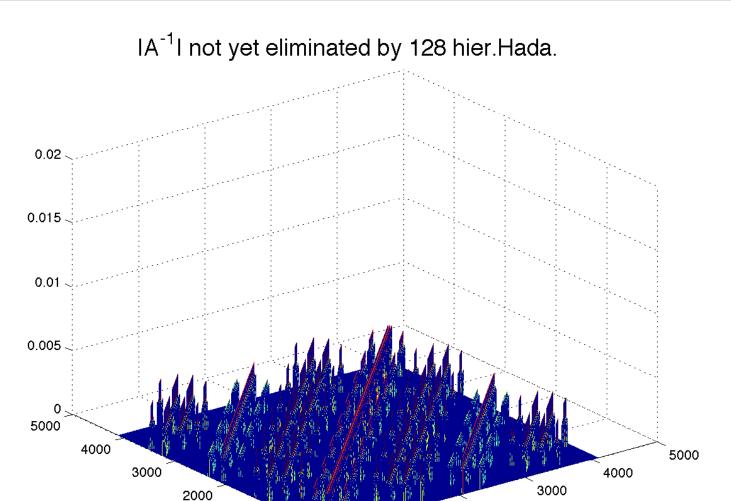


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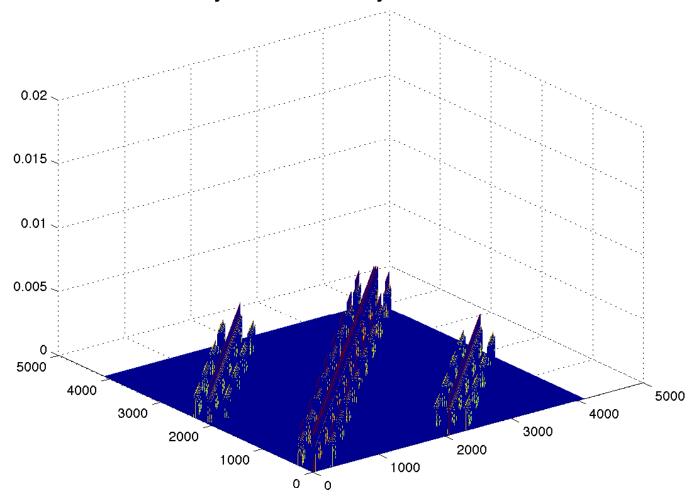
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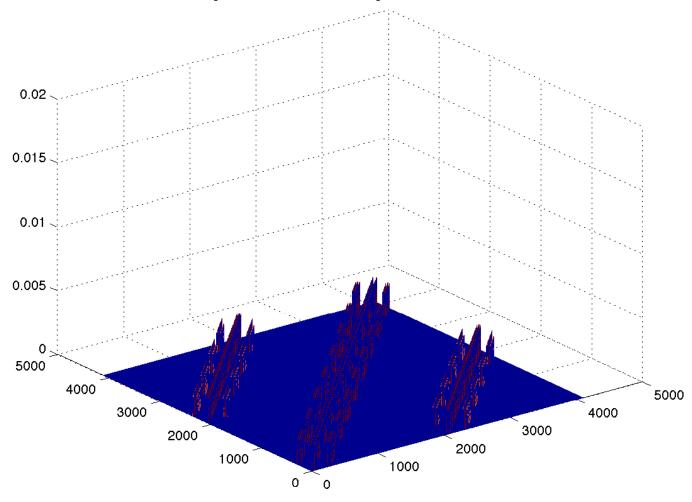
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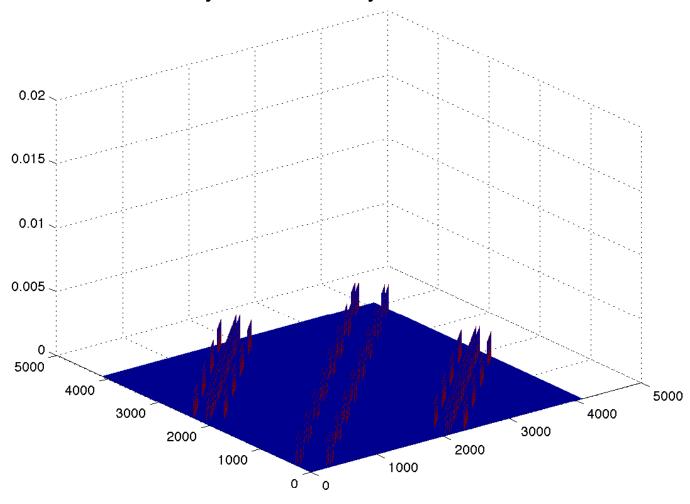
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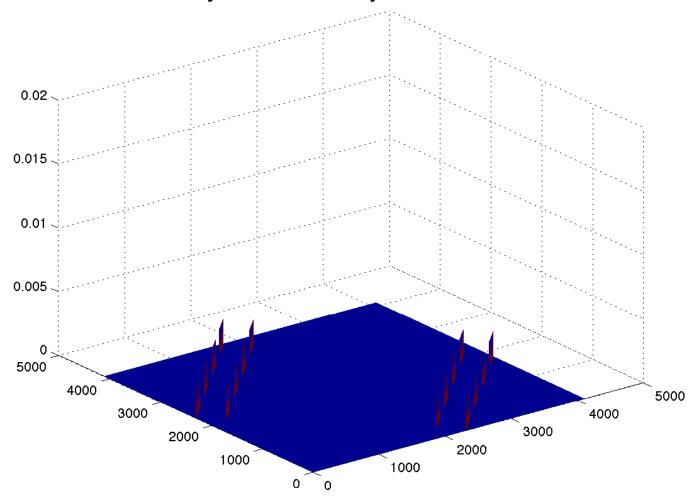
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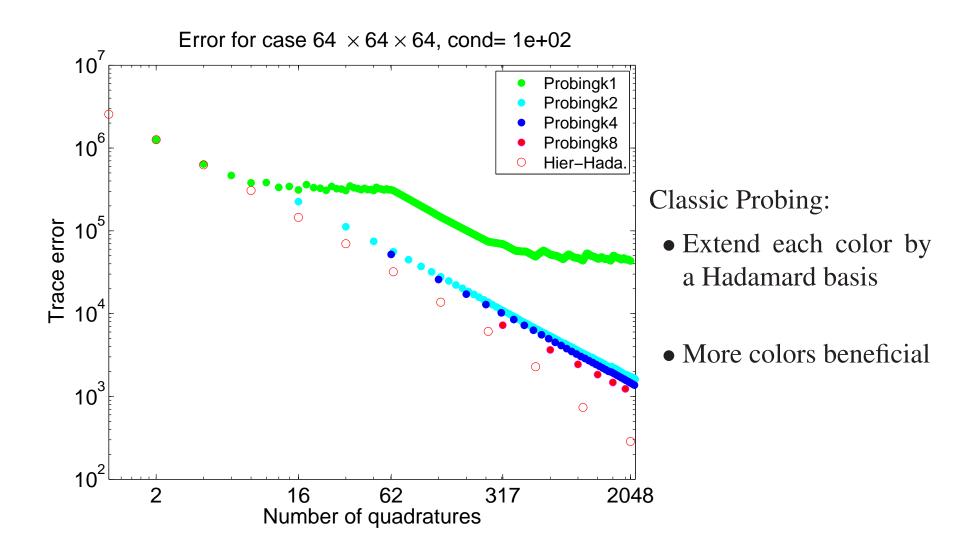
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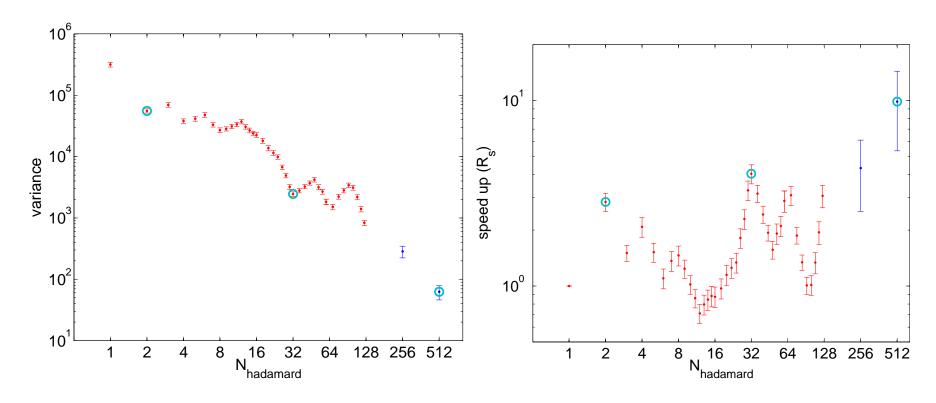
#### Classic probing extended vs Hierarchical Probing



Hierarchical Hadamard scheme better w/o discarding info



Explicit dilution of the  $12 \times 12$  links on each space-time site



Variance reduction (left) and speedup over random noise method (right)

O(1/n) variance reduction

Max speedup when powers of two/colors complete



#### Hierarchical probing on general graphs

#### Problems:

- (1) expensive to compute  $A^k, k = 1, 2, ...$
- (2) non-hierarchical coloring for  $A^k$  graphs, k = 1, 2, ...

#### Our solutions:

- (1) Multilevel: perform the  $A^k$  in coarser graphs
- (2) Color hierarchy through mixed radix base:  $(color_0, color_1, ..., color_{level})$



#### **Key of multilevel method: Coarsification**

For 1-dimensional grids any coarsification of nearby nodes works

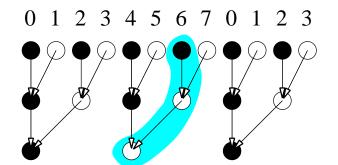
Example: Three levels, merging distance-1 or distance-2 neighbors

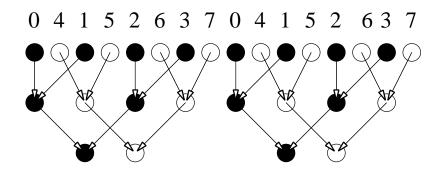
Each level is red-black colored. The highlighted fine grid node has colors:

0 at level 0

2 = (10) at level 1

6 = (110) at level 2





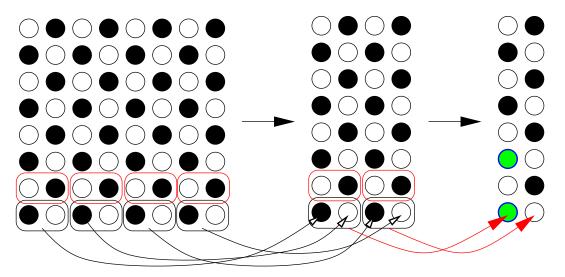
Same color neighbor at distance–8



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Problems with higher connectivity

Example: 2-D grid



Two green nodes still at distance-2 after 3 levels

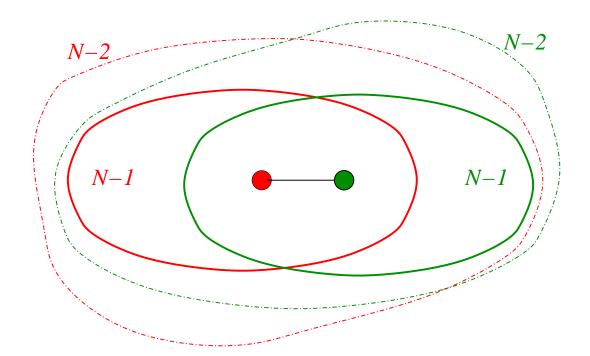
What neighbors should we merge at each level to ensure distance  $2^{level}$ ?



#### **Coarsification solution**

#### Focus on neighborhoods, not on nodes

If we merge the distance-2 neighborhoods of the coalesced nodes we guarantee a distance  $2^{level}$  coloring



However, coarse graphs become much denser (coarse form of  $A^{level}$ )



#### The algorithm

#### MultiLevelColor(*A*)

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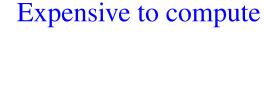


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## Could generate too many colors





#### Two algorithmic variations

Instead of greedy coloring of *A*,

- Compute 2 largest eigenectors of the graph Laplacian
- Use spectral coloring with 2 colors (similar to graph partitioning)

Approximately bipartite, identifies most important links in the first few levels. When the coarse matrix size is small enough, continue with greedy coloring

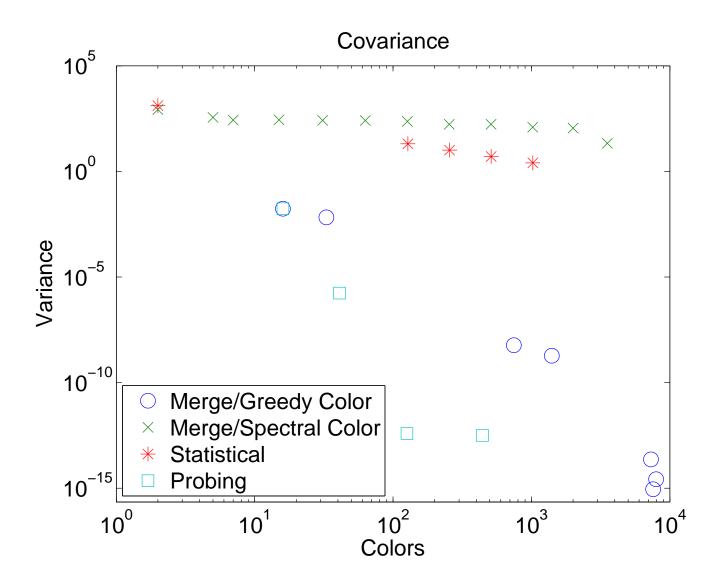
Instead of computing  $A^2$ 

• Implicitly color  $A^2$  and produce the  $A_c$ 

Avoids the first expensive step, and reduces cost of subsequent steps

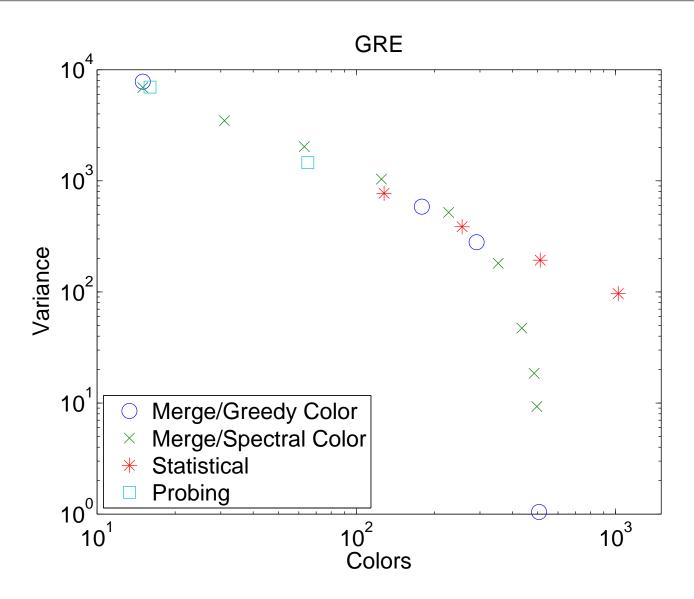


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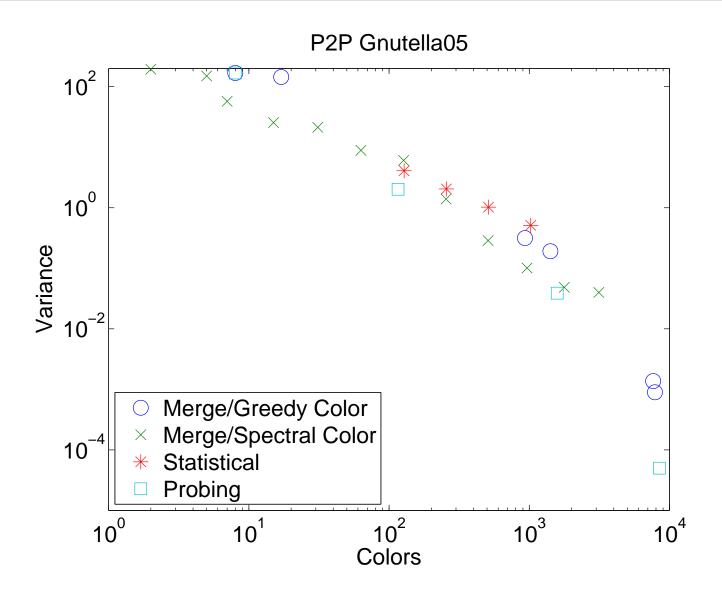


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#### **Hierarchical Probing conclusions**

For regular grids significant speedups at no additional cost

For general matrices that are amenable to probing, our multilevel algorithm

is close to the benefits of probing

is far less expensive than probing

requires an optimized C implementation

