

Intel® Math Kernel Library 2018 (Intel® MKL)

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Intel® Math Kernel Library

Intel® MKL

- Speeds computations for scientific, engineering, financial and machine learning applications
- Provides key functionality for dense and sparse linear algebra (BLAS, LAPACK, PARDISO), FFTs, vector math, summary statistics, deep learning, splines and more
- Included in Intel® Parallel Studio XE and Intel® System Studio Suites
- Available at no cost and royalty free



- Optimized for single core vectorization and cache utilization
- Automatic parallelism for multi-core and many-core
- Scales from cores to clusters
- Great performance with minimal effort

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Intel® MKL Optimized Mathematical Building Blocks

Linear Algebra

- BLAS
- LAPACK and ScaLAPACK
- Sparse BLAS
- PARDISO* Direct Sparse Solver
- Parallel Direct Cluster Sparse Solver
- Iterative sparse solvers

Fast Fourier Transforms

- Multidimensional
- FFTW* interfaces
- Cluster FFT

Vector Math

- Trigonometric
- Hyperbolic
- Exponential
- Log
- Power
- Root
- Vector RNGs

Deep Neural Networks

- Convolution
- Pooling
- Normalization
- ReLU
- Inner Product

Summary Statistics

- Kurtosis
- Central moments
- Variation coefficient
- Order statistics and quantiles
- Min/max
- Variance-covariance
- Robust estimators

And More

- Splines
- Interpolation
- Trust Region
- Fast Poisson Solver

Automatic Dispatching to Tuned ISA-specific Code Paths

More cores → More Threads → Wider vectors



	Intel® Xeon® Processor 64-bit	Intel® Xeon® Processor 5100 series	Intel® Xeon® Processor 5500 series	Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 series	Intel® Xeon® Processor E5-2600 v2 series	Intel® Xeon® Processor E5-2600 v3 series v4 series	Intel® Xeon® Scalable Processor ¹	Intel® Xeon Phi™ x200 Processor (KNL)
Up to Core(s)	1	2	4	6	12	18-22	28	72
Up to Threads	2	2	8	12	24	36-44	56	288
SIMD Width	128	128	128	128	256	256	512	512
Vector ISA	Intel® SSE3	Intel® SSE3	Intel® SSE4- 4.1	Intel® SSE 4.2	Intel® AVX	Intel® AVX2	Intel® AVX-512	Intel® AVX-512

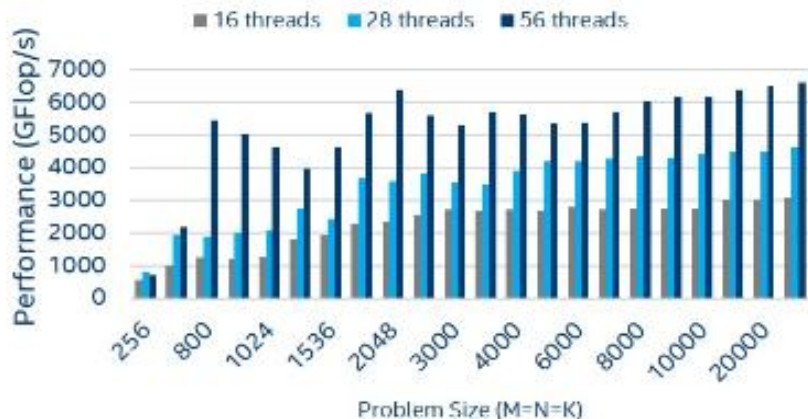
1. Product specification for launched and shipped products available on ark.intel.com.

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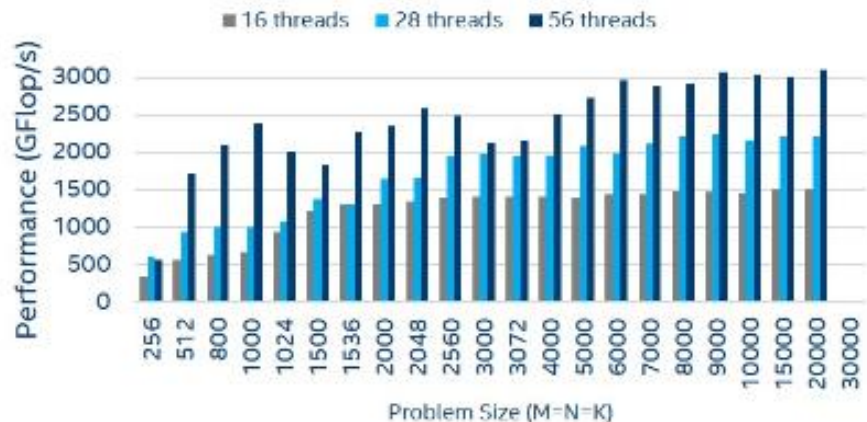
Performance Benefits for the latest Intel Architectures

DGEMM, SGEMM Optimized by Intel® Math Kernel Library for Intel® Xeon® Platinum Processor (formerly codenamed Skylake Server)

SGEMM on Xeon Platinum



DGEMM on Xeon Platinum



Configuration: Intel® Xeon® Platinum 8180, 2x28 cores, 2.5GHz, 38.5MB L3 cache, 376GB RAM, OS Ubuntu 16.04 LTS; Intel® Math Kernel Library (Intel® MKL) 2018. Software and workloads used in performance tests may have been optimized for performance only on Intel microprocessors. Performance tests, such as SYSmark and MobileMark, are measured using specific computer systems, components, software, operations and functions. Any change to any of those factors may cause the results to vary. You should consult other information and performance tests to assist you in fully evaluating your contemplated purchases, including the performance of that product when combined with other products. For more complete information visit www.intel.com/benchmarks. Benchmark Source: Intel Corporation, [Optimization Notice](#): Intel's compilers may or may not optimize to the same degree for non-Intel microprocessors for optimizations that are not unique to Intel microprocessors. These optimizations include SSE2, SSE3, and SSE4.3 instruction sets and other optimizations. Intel does not guarantee the availability, functionality, or effectiveness of any optimization on microprocessors not manufactured by Intel. Microprocessor-dependent optimizations in this product are intended for use with Intel microprocessors. Certain optimizations not specific to Intel microarchitecture are reserved for Intel microprocessors. Please refer to the applicable product User and Reference Guides for more information regarding the specific instruction sets covered by this notice. Notice revision #20110804.

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Intel® MKL 2018 New Features and Optimizations

BLAS and LAPACK

- Compact BLAS and LAPACK functions
 - Direct Call LAPACK Cholesky and QR factorizations
 - LU factorization and Inverse without pivoting
 - Aasen-based factorization and solve functions
 - Bounded Bunch-Kaufman (Rook) pivoting factorizations
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FFTs

Verbose Mode Support

Vector Math - 24 New Functions

- v?Fmod, v?Remainder
 - v?Powr, v?Exp2, v?Exp10
 - v?Cospi, v?Sinpi, v?Tanpi, and more
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Intel® MKL BLAS (Basic Linear Algebra Subprograms)

De-facto Standard APIs since the 1980s

100s of Basic Linear Algebra Functions

Level 1 – vector vector operations, $O(N)$

Level 2 – matrix vector operations, $O(N^2)$

Level 3 – matrix matrix operations, $O(N^3)$

Precisions Available

Real – Single and Double

~~Complex - Single and Double~~

BLAS-like Extensions

Direct Call, Batched, Packed and Compact

Reference Implementation

<http://netlib.org/blas/>

Intel® MKL LAPACK (Linear Algebra PACKage)

De-facto Standard APIs since the 1990s

1000s of Linear Algebra Functions

Matrix factorizations - LU, Cholesky, QR
Solving systems of linear equations
Condition number estimates
Symmetric and non-symmetric eigenvalue problems
Singular value decomposition
and many more ...

Precisions Available

Real – Single and Double,
Complex – Single and Double

Reference Implementation

<http://netlib.org/lapack/>

Intel® MKL Fast Fourier Transforms (FFTs)

FFTW Interfaces support

C, C++ and FORTRAN source code wrappers provided for FFTW2 and FFTW3. FFTW3 wrappers are already built into the library

Cluster FFT

Perform Fast Fourier Transforms on a cluster

Interface similar to DFTI

Multiple MPIs supported

Parallelization

Thread safe with automatic thread selection

Storage Formats

Multiple storage formats such as CCS, PACK and Perm supported

Batch support

Perform multiple transforms in a single call

Additional Features

Perform FFTs on partial images

Padding added for better performance

Transform combined with transposition

mixed-language usage supported

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Intel® MKL DNN (Deep Neural Network) Functions

Highly optimized basic building blocks for DNNs

Use cases

Inference and training

Image recognition, semantic segmentation, object detection

Functions

Convolution, Inner Product

Activation, Normalization, Pooling, Sum, Split/
Concat, Data transformation

Applications

Supported in Tensorflow, MXNet, IntelCaffe
and more

Open source
version

<https://github.com/01org/mkl-dnn>

Intel® MKL Vector Math

Example:

$$y(i) = e^{x(i)} \text{ for } i = 1 \text{ to } n$$

Broad Function Support

Basic Operations – add, sub, mult, div, sqrt

Trigonometric – sin, cos, tan, asin, acos, atan

Exponential – exp, pow, log, log10, log2,

Hyperbolic – sinh, cosh, tanh

Rounding – ceil, floor, round

And many more

Precisions Available

Real – Single and Double

Complex - Single and Double

Accuracy Modes

High - almost correctly rounded

Low - last 2 bits in error

Enhanced Performance - 1/2 the bits correct

Intel® MKL Vector Statistics

Random Number Generators (RNGs)

Pseudorandom, quasi-random and non-deterministic random number generators with continuous and discrete distribution

Summary Statistics

Parallelized algorithms to compute basic statistical estimates for single and double precision multi-dimensional datasets

Convolution and Correlation

~~Linear convolution and correlation transforms for single and double precision real and complex data~~

Intel® MKL Sparse Solvers

PARDISO - Parallel Direct Sparse Solver

Factor and solve $Ax = b$ using a parallel shared memory LU , LDL , or LL^T factorization

Supports a wide variety of matrix types including real, complex, symmetric, indefinite, ...

Includes out-of-core support for very large matrix sizes

Parallel Direct Sparse Solver for Clusters

Factor and solve $Ax = b$ using a parallel distributed memory LU , LDL , or LL^T factorization

Supports a wide variety of matrix types (real, complex, symmetric, indefinite, ...)

Supports A stored in 3-array CSR3 or BCSR3 formats

DSS – Simplified PARDISO Interface

An alternative, simplified interface to PARDISO

ISS – Iterative Sparse Solvers

Conjugate Gradient (CG) solver for symmetric positive definite systems

Generalized Minimal Residual (GMRes) for non-symmetric indefinite systems

Rely on Reverse Communication Interface (RCI) for matrix vector multiply

Intel® MKL General Components

Sparse BLAS

NIST-like and inspector execute interfaces

Data Fitting

1D linear, quadratic, cubic, step-wise and user-defined splines, spline-based interpolation and extrapolation

Partial Differential Equations

Helmholtz, Poisson, and Laplace equations

Optimization

Trust-region solvers for nonlinear least square problems with and without constraints

Service Functions

Threading controls

Memory management

Numerical reproducibility

Intel® MKL Summary

Boosts application performance with minimal effort

feature set is robust and growing

provides scaling from the core, to multicore, to manycore, and to clusters

automatic dispatching matches the executed code to the underlying processor

future processor optimizations included well before processors ship

Showcases the world's fastest supercomputers¹

Intel® Distribution for LINPACK* Benchmark

Intel® Optimized High Performance Conjugate Gradient Benchmark

¹<http://www.top500.org>

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Compiling & Linking with Intel® MKL

In general:

- Include “mkl.h”
- Include “mkl_dfti.h” for FFT applications
- Using [Intel® MKL Link Line Advisor](#) to assist in compiling and linking applications with Intel® MKL

Compiling & Linking with Intel® MKL

Intel® Math Kernel Library (Intel® MKL) Link Line Advisor v4.7

Reset

Select Intel® product:	Intel(R) MKL 2018.0 ▼
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Link with Intel® MKL libraries explicitly:	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Use this link line:

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{MKLRROOT}/lib/intel64/libmkl_blas95_ilp64.a  
{MKLRROOT}/lib/intel64/libmkl_lapack95_ilp64.a -L{MKLRROOT}/lib/intel64 -  
lmkl_cdft_core -lmkl_intel_ilp64 -lmkl_intel_thread -lmkl_core -  
lmkl_blacs_intelmpi_ilp64 -liomp5 -lpthread -lm -ldl
```

Compiler options:

```
-i8 -I${MKLRROOT}/include/intel64/ilp64 -I${MKLRROOT}/include
```

Some Performance Tips

- Use `mkl_malloc` and `mkl_free` for allocating and freeing aligned memory
- Maximize access to the local memory
- Use `OMP_NUM_THREADS` and `KMP_AFFINITY` to control threads
- For Apps that require high memory BW, allocate memory in MCDRAM
 - `Numactl`
 - Install `memkind` library
- More details can be found in the developer guide for Intel® MKL

Intel® MKL 11.0 – 2017 Noteworthy Enhancements

Conditional Numerical Reproducibility (CNR)

Intel Threading Building Blocks (TBB) Composability

Intel® Optimized High Performance Conjugate Gradient (HPCG) Benchmark

Small GEMM Enhancements (Direct Call) and Batch

Sparse BLAS Inspector-Executor API

Extended Cluster Support (MPI wrappers and macOS)

Parallel Direct Sparse Solver for Clusters

Extended Eigensolvers

Deep Neural Networks Convolution, Normalization, Activation, and Pooling Primitives

