

# Introduction to $\mathcal{H}^2$ -matrices

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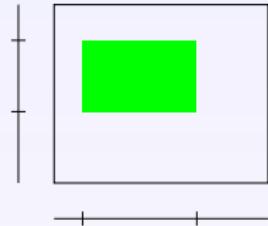
Winterschool on Hierarchical Matrices

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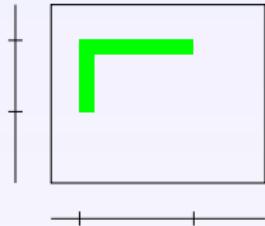


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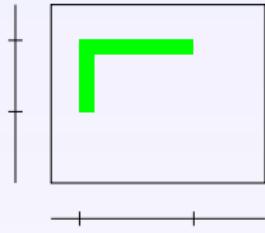
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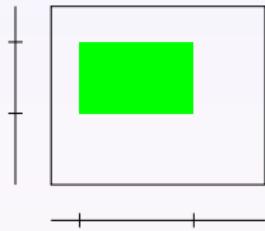
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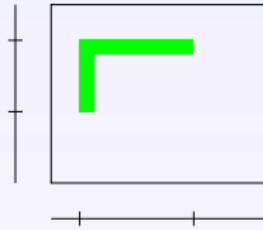
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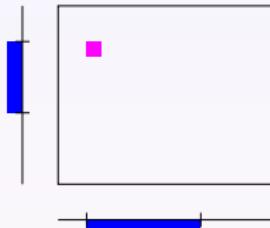
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# Cluster basis

Uniform matrix: Approximate admissible blocks  $b = (t, s)$  by

$$G|_{\hat{t} \times \hat{s}} \approx V_t S_b W_s^*$$

Coupling matrices ( $S_b$ ) require only  $\mathcal{O}(nk)$  units of storage.

Cluster bases ( $V_t$ ), ( $W_s$ ) require  $\mathcal{O}(nk \log n)$  units of storage.

Goal: More efficient representation of cluster bases.

→ Linear complexity  $\mathcal{O}(nk)$ .

## Nested representation

**Observation:** Interpolation is a projection.

$$\mathcal{L}_{t,\nu} = \sum_{\nu'} \mathcal{L}_{t,\nu}(\xi_{t',\nu'}) \mathcal{L}_{t',\nu'}$$

holds for arbitrary clusters  $t, t'$ .

**Transfer matrix** for  $t' \in \text{sons}(t)$  represents change of basis

$$(E_{t'})_{\nu'\nu} = \mathcal{L}_{t,\nu}(\xi_{t',\nu'}).$$

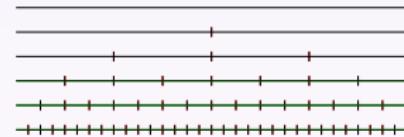
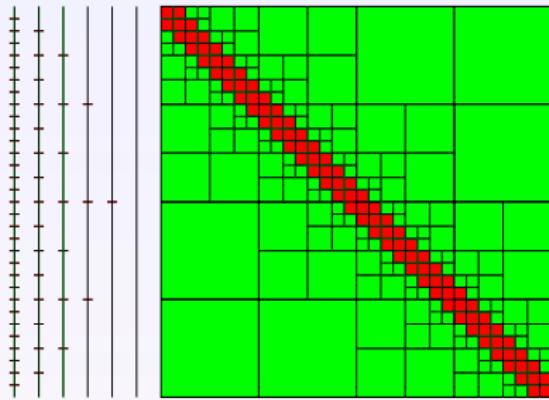
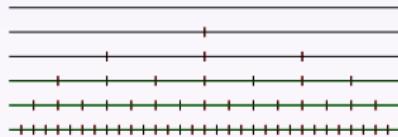
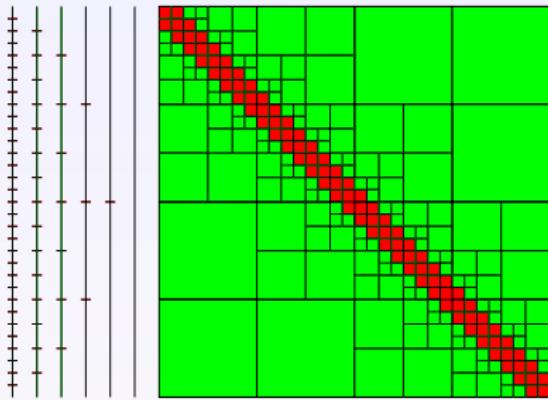
**Nested basis** defined by

$$(V_t)_{i\nu} = \sum_{\nu'} (V_{t'})_{i\nu'} (E_{t'})_{\nu'\nu}.$$

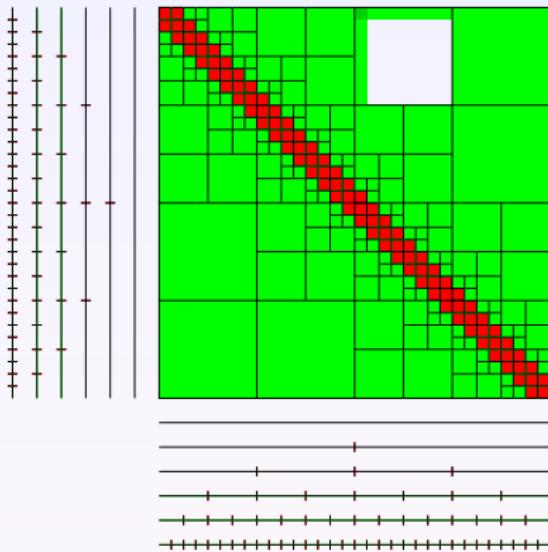
**Idea:** Do not store  $V_t$ , store transfer matrix  $E_{t'}$  instead.

$\rightarrow k^2$  coefficients instead of  $(\#\hat{t})k$ .

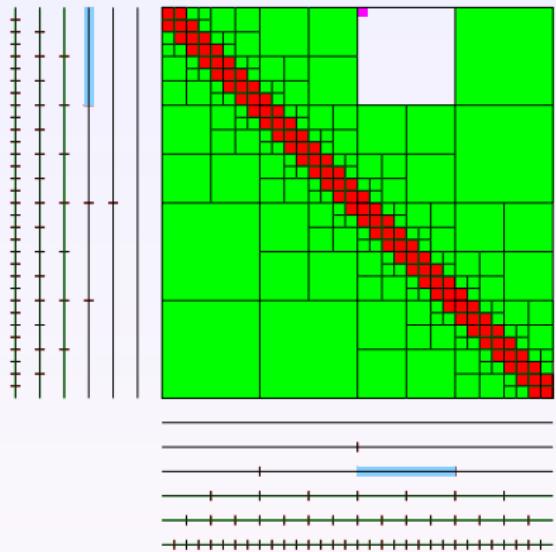
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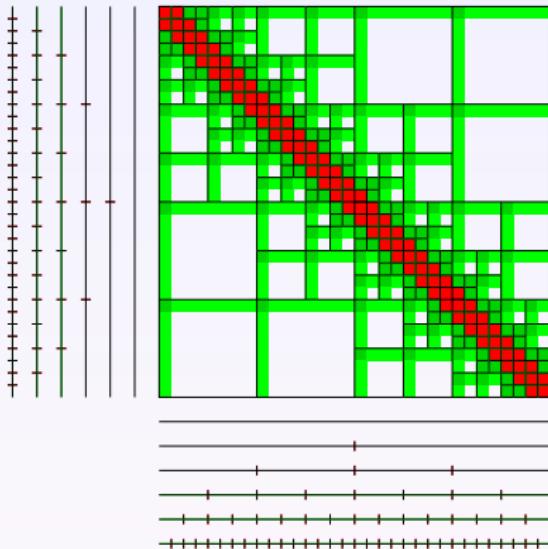


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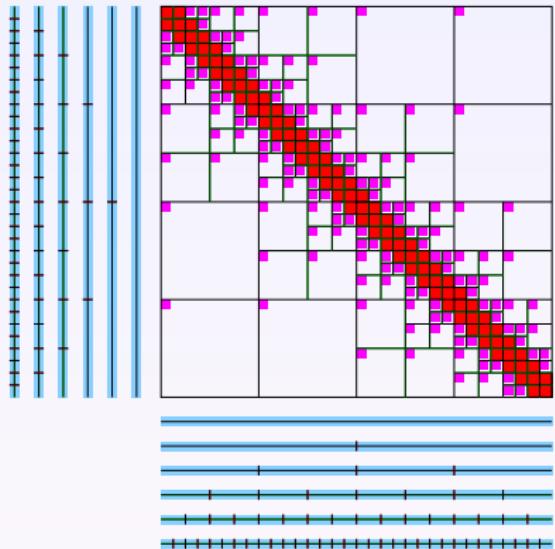


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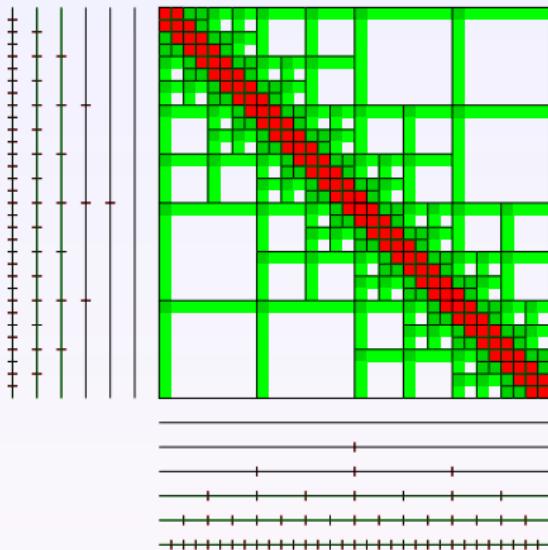


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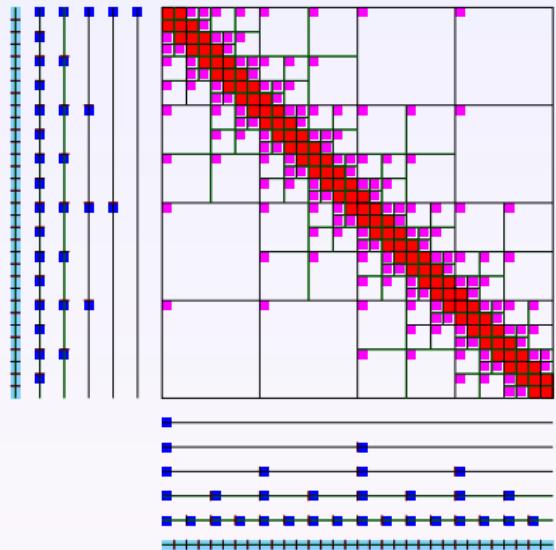
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$$V_t|_{\hat{t}' \times k} = V_{t'} E_{t'}$$

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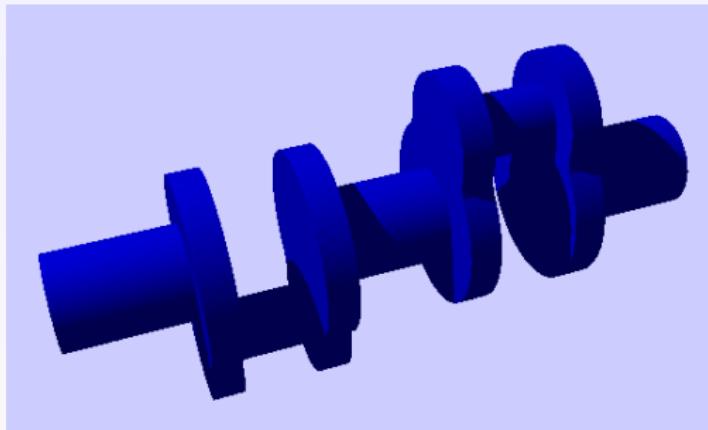
# Experiment: How important is one logarithm?

**Problem:** One-dimensional model problem, approximated by  $\mathcal{H}$ - and  $\mathcal{H}^2$ -matrices using interpolation.

n	$\mathcal{H}$ -matrix			$\mathcal{H}^2$ -matrix			$\mathcal{H}^2$ -matrix (var.)		
	Bld	M/n	Err	Bld	M/n	Err	Bld	M/n	Err
128	0.00	0.6	2.8 <sub>-5</sub>	0.00	0.5	3.0 <sub>-5</sub>	0.00	0.5	1.9 <sub>-4</sub>
256	0.01	0.8	2.7 <sub>-5</sub>	0.00	0.5	3.2 <sub>-5</sub>	0.00	0.5	1.1 <sub>-4</sub>
512	0.02	1.0	2.6 <sub>-5</sub>	0.01	0.5	3.2 <sub>-5</sub>	0.01	0.5	5.7 <sub>-5</sub>
1024	0.04	1.2	2.6 <sub>-5</sub>	0.01	0.5	3.2 <sub>-5</sub>	0.01	0.5	2.9 <sub>-5</sub>
2048	0.10	1.4	2.6 <sub>-5</sub>	0.03	0.5	3.3 <sub>-5</sub>	0.03	0.5	1.4 <sub>-5</sub>
4096	0.22	1.6	2.6 <sub>-5</sub>	0.05	0.5	3.3 <sub>-5</sub>	0.05	0.5	7.3 <sub>-6</sub>
8192	0.50	1.8	2.6 <sub>-5</sub>	0.10	0.5	3.3 <sub>-5</sub>	0.10	0.5	3.6 <sub>-6</sub>
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
524288	52.97	2.9		6.62	0.5		6.62	0.5	

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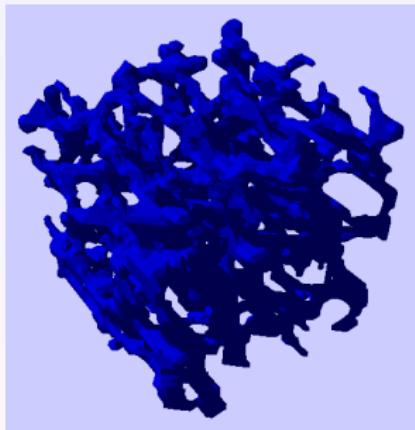
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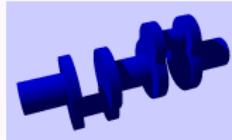
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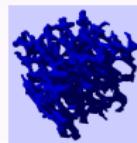
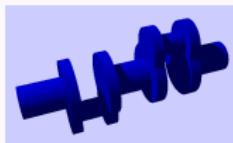
Nickle foam,  
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n	$\mathcal{H}$ -matrix			$\mathcal{H}^2$ -matrix		
	Build	Mem	Error	Build	Mem	Error
25744	67.0	181.0	1.9 <sub>-8</sub>	67.9	135.4	1.4 <sub>-8</sub>
102976	283.0	1135.7	1.2 <sub>-9</sub>	288.6	550.7	8.4 <sub>-10</sub>
411904	1416.2	6756.9	5.9 <sub>-11</sub>	1464.3	2224.6	5.1 <sub>-11</sub>
1647616	6247.5	37196.1	3.8 <sub>-12</sub>	6626.6	9795.4	3.0 <sub>-12</sub>
6590464	33981.7	198867.2	2.2 <sub>-13</sub>	36224.1	41610.5	1.8 <sub>-13</sub>
28952	177.6	294.3	8.8 <sub>-8</sub>	172.4	387.4	7.0 <sub>-8</sub>
115808	681.9	1840.8	5.8 <sub>-9</sub>	699.7	1228.1	3.7 <sub>-9</sub>
463232	3144.6	11364.9	2.8 <sub>-10</sub>	3175.6	4933.0	2.2 <sub>-10</sub>
1852928	17384.1	69570.8	1.2 <sub>-11</sub>	17628.9	15905.2	1.3 <sub>-11</sub>



# Storage: Coupling matrices

Block cluster required to be sparse:

$$\#\{s \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}} : (t, s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}\} \leq C_{\text{sp}} \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}$$

Storage for coupling matrices:

$$\sum_{(t,s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^+} k^2 = \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}} \sum_{\substack{s \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}} \\ (t,s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^+}} k^2 \leq C_{\text{sp}} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}} k^2 = C_{\text{sp}} k^2 \#\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}$$

Improvement: If cluster tree regular, i.e.,

$$k \lesssim \#\hat{t} \quad \text{for all leaves } t \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I}},$$

we have  $\#\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I}} \lesssim n_{\mathcal{I}}/k$ , and therefore  $\#\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}} \lesssim n_{\mathcal{I}}/k$ .  
 $\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{I}}k)$  units of storage required.

## Storage: Nearfield matrices

**Resolution:** Maximal size of leaves of the cluster trees.

$$r_{\mathcal{I}} := \max\{\#\hat{t} : t \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I}}\}, \quad r_{\mathcal{J}} := \max\{\#\hat{s} : s \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{J}}\}.$$

Usually controlled by the user when constructing the cluster tree.

**Admissible block tree:** For inadmissible leaves  $b = (t, s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^-$ , both  $t$  and  $s$  are leaves.

$$(\#\hat{t})(\#\hat{s}) \leq (\#\hat{t})r_{\mathcal{J}}, \quad t \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I}}, \quad \text{for all } b = (t, s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^-.$$

Storage for nearfield matrices:

$$\sum_{(t,s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^-} (\#\hat{t})(\#\hat{s}) \leq \sum_{t \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I}}} \sum_{\substack{s \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}} \\ (t,s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^-}} (\#\hat{t})r_{\mathcal{J}} \leq C_{\text{sp}} r_{\mathcal{J}} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I}}} \#\hat{t} = C_{\text{sp}} r_{\mathcal{J}} \#\mathcal{I}.$$

$\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{I}}r_{\mathcal{J}})$  units of storage required, for  $r_{\mathcal{J}} \sim k$  this means  $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{I}}k)$ .

## Storage: Cluster basis

Leaf matrices only stored for leaves.

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I}}} (\#\hat{t})k = k\#\mathcal{I}, \quad \sum_{s \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{J}}} (\#\hat{s})k = k\#\mathcal{J}.$$

Transfer matrices stored for all clusters.

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}} k^2 = k^2 \#\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}, \quad \sum_{s \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}}} k^2 = k^2 \#\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}}.$$

Improvement: If cluster tree regular, we have

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}} k^2 = k^2 \#\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}} \lesssim n_{\mathcal{I}}k, \quad \sum_{s \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}}} k^2 = k^2 \#\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}} \lesssim n_{\mathcal{J}}k.$$

→  $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{I}}k + n_{\mathcal{J}}k)$  units of storage required.

# Summary: Storage requirements

Notation:

- Number of rows and columns:  $n_{\mathcal{I}} := \#\mathcal{I}$ ,  $n_{\mathcal{J}} := \#\mathcal{J}$ .
- Number of clusters:  $c_{\mathcal{I}} := \#\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}$ ,  $c_{\mathcal{J}} := \#\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}}$ .
- Regular trees:  $c_{\mathcal{I}} \lesssim n_{\mathcal{I}}/k$ ,  $c_{\mathcal{J}} \lesssim n_{\mathcal{J}}/k$ .

Coupling matrices:  $\mathcal{O}(c_{\mathcal{I}}k^2)$  or  $\mathcal{O}(c_{\mathcal{J}}k^2)$  in general,  
 $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{I}}k)$  or  $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{J}}k)$  for regular cluster trees.

Nearfield matrices:  $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{I}}r_{\mathcal{J}})$  or  $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{J}}r_{\mathcal{I}})$ .

Cluster bases:  $\mathcal{O}(c_{\mathcal{I}}k^2 + n_{\mathcal{I}}k)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(c_{\mathcal{J}}k^2 + n_{\mathcal{J}}k)$  in general,  
 $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{I}}k)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{J}}k)$  for regular cluster trees.

Important: Differently from  $\mathcal{H}$ -matrix case, the depth of the trees is irrelevant for  $\mathcal{H}^2$ -matrices.

# Matrix-vector multiplication

Goal: Compute product of  $\mathcal{H}^2$ -matrix and vector.

$$y \leftarrow y + Gx,$$

$$y \leftarrow y + G^*x.$$

Naive algorithm: Treat all blocks individually.

$$y|_{\hat{t}} \leftarrow y|_{\hat{t}} + G|_{\hat{t} \times \hat{s}} x|_{\hat{s}} \quad \text{for all } b = (t, s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}},$$

$$y|_{\hat{t}} \leftarrow y|_{\hat{s}} + V_t S_b W_s^* x|_{\hat{s}} \quad \text{for all } b = (t, s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^+.$$

Problems: Complexity too high,  $V_t$  and  $W_s$  only available in leaves.

Idea: Perform multiplications by  $W_s^*$ ,  $S_b$  and  $V_t$  in separate steps.

# Forward transformation

Goal: Compute the auxiliary vectors

$$\hat{x}_s := W_s^* x|_{\hat{s}} \quad \text{for all } s \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{J}}.$$

Leaf clusters:  $W_s$  available, compute  $\hat{x}_s$  directly.

Non-leaf clusters: Take advantage of nested structure. Simple case:

$$W_s = \begin{pmatrix} W_{s_1} F_{s_1} \\ W_{s_2} F_{s_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Recursion: Compute  $\hat{x}_{s_1}$  and  $\hat{x}_{s_2}$  first, then use

$$\hat{x}_s = W_s^* x|_{\hat{s}} = (F_{s_1}^* \quad F_{s_2}^*) \begin{pmatrix} W_{s_1}^* x|_{\hat{s}_1} \\ W_{s_2}^* x|_{\hat{s}_2} \end{pmatrix} = F_{s_1}^* \hat{x}_{s_1} + F_{s_2}^* \hat{x}_{s_2}.$$

# Interaction step

Admissible blocks:

$$\hat{y}_t \leftarrow \hat{y}_t + S_b \hat{x}_s \quad \text{for all } b = (t, s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^+.$$

Inadmissible blocks:

$$y|_{\hat{t}} \leftarrow y|_{\hat{t}} + G|_{\hat{t} \times \hat{s}} x|_{\hat{s}} \quad \text{for all } b = (t, s) \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}}^-.$$

# Backward transformation

**Goal:** Compute the final result

$$y|_{\hat{t}} \leftarrow y|_{\hat{t}} + V_t \hat{y}_t \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}}.$$

**Non-leaf clusters:** Add coefficients to sons.

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_{t_1} \hat{y}_{t_1} \\ V_{t_2} \hat{y}_{t_2} \end{pmatrix} + V_t \hat{y}_t = \begin{pmatrix} V_{t_1} \hat{y}_{t_1} + V_{t_1} E_{t_1} \hat{y}_t \\ V_{t_2} \hat{y}_{t_2} + V_{t_2} E_{t_2} \hat{y}_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{t_1} (\hat{y}_{t_1} + E_{t_1} \hat{y}_t) \\ V_{t_2} (\hat{y}_{t_2} + E_{t_2} \hat{y}_t) \end{pmatrix}$$

**Recursion:** Update  $\hat{y}_{t_1}$  and  $\hat{y}_{t_2}$  first by

$$\hat{y}_{t_1} \leftarrow \hat{y}_{t_1} + E_{t_1} \hat{y}_t, \quad \hat{y}_{t_2} \leftarrow \hat{y}_{t_2} + E_{t_2} \hat{y}_t,$$

then proceed recursively to  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ .

## Summary: Matrix-vector multiplication

**Forward transformation:** Computes  $\hat{x}_s = W_s^* x|_{\hat{s}}$  by recursion from the leaves towards the root.

**Interaction step:** Computes far- and nearfield interactions.

**Backward transformation:** Computes  $y|_{\hat{t}} \leftarrow y|_{\hat{s}} + V_t \hat{y}_t$  by recursion from the root towards the leaves.

**Complexity:** Each coefficient in  $(S_b)$ ,  $(V_t)$ ,  $(W_s)$  and nearfield requires not more than two operations.

$\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{I}}(k + r_{\mathcal{J}}))$  or  $\mathcal{O}(n_{\mathcal{J}}(k + r_{\mathcal{I}}))$  operations.

## supermatrix

Required: Add `clusterbasis` and `uniformmatrix`.

```
struct _supermatrix {  
    int rows;  
    int cols;  
    int block_rows;  
    int block_cols;  
    pclusterbasis row;  
    pclusterbasis col;  
    puniformmatrix u;  
    prkmatrix r;  
    pfullmatrix f;  
    psupermatrix* s;  
};
```

## uniformmatrix

Goal: Matrix representation by  $G = V_t S_b W_s^*$ .

```
struct _uniformmatrix {  
    int rows;  
    int cols;  
    int kr;  
    int kc;  
    double *S;  
    pclusterbasis row;  
    pclusterbasis col;  
};
```

## clusterbasis

Goal: Store  $V_t$  for leaves and  $E_{t'}$  for non-leaves.

```
struct _clusterbasis {  
    pccluster t;  
    double **T;  
    double *V;  
    double *xt;  
    double *yt;  
    int k;  
    int n;  
    int sons;  
    pclusterbasis *son;  
};
```