

## Overview

In symbolic computation, polynomial multiplication is a fundamental operation akin to matrix multiplication in numerical computation. We present efficient implementation strategies for FFT-based dense polynomial multiplication targeting multi-cores. We show that **balanced input data** can maximize parallel speed-up and minimize cache complexity for bivariate multiplication. However, **unbalanced input data**, which are common in symbolic computation, are challenging. We provide efficient techniques that we call **contraction** and **extension** to reduce multivariate (and univariate) multiplication to **balanced bivariate multiplication**. Our implementation in **Cilk++** demonstrates good speed-up on multi-cores.

## FFT-based Multivariate Multiplication

Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a field and  $f, g \in \mathbb{K}[x_1 < \dots < x_n]$  be polynomials. Define  $d_i = \deg(f, x_i)$  and  $d'_i = \deg(g, x_i)$ , for all  $i$ . Assume there exists a primitive  $s_i$ -th root of unity  $\omega_i \in \mathbb{K}$ , for all  $i$ , where  $s_i$  is a power of 2 satisfying  $s_i \geq d_i + d'_i + 1$ . Then  $fg$  can be computed as follows.

**Step 1.** Evaluate  $f$  and  $g$  at each point of the  $n$ -dimensional grid  $((\omega_1^{e_1}, \dots, \omega_n^{e_n}), 0 \leq e_1 < s_1, \dots, 0 \leq e_n < s_n)$  via  $n$ -D FFT.

**Step 2.** Evaluate  $fg$  at each point  $P$  of the grid, simply by computing  $f(P)g(P)$ ,

**Step 3.** Interpolate  $fg$  (from its values on the grid) via  $n$ -D FFT.

## Complexity Estimates

• Let  $s = s_1 \cdots s_n$ . The number of operations in  $\mathbb{K}$  for computing  $fg$  based on FFTs is

$$\frac{9}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\prod_{j \neq i} s_j) s_i \lg(s_i) + (n+1)s = \frac{9}{2} s \lg(s) + (n+1)s.$$

• Under our serial 1-D FFT assumption, the span of **Step 1** is  $\frac{9}{2}(s_1 \lg(s_1) + \dots + s_n \lg(s_n))$ , and the parallelism of **Step 1** is lower bounded by

$$s / \max(s_1, \dots, s_n). \quad (1)$$

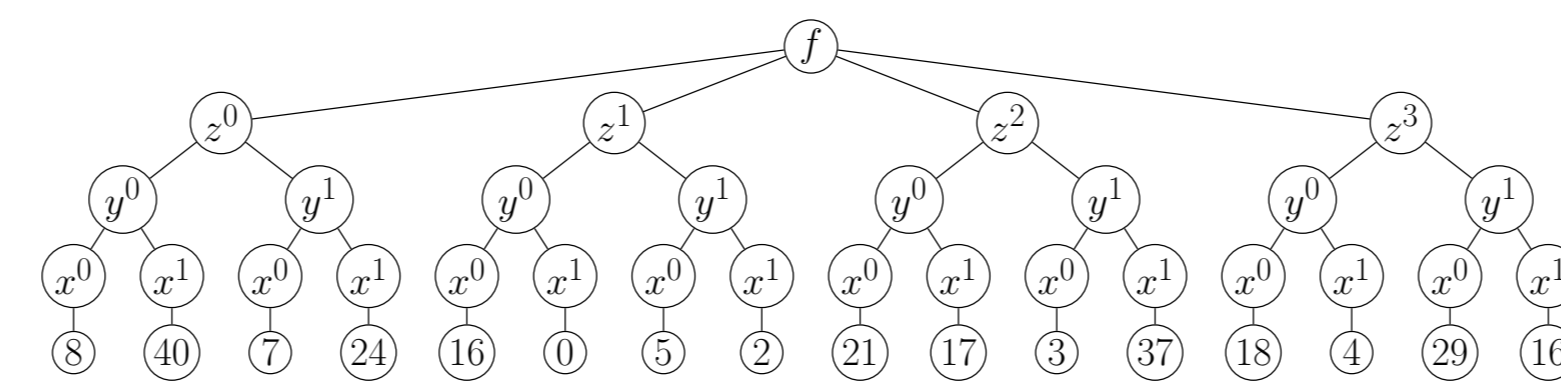
• Let  $L$  be the size of a cache line. For some constant  $c > 0$ , the number of cache misses of **Step 1** is upper bounded by

$$n \frac{cs}{L} + cs \left( \frac{1}{s_1} + \dots + \frac{1}{s_n} \right). \quad (2)$$

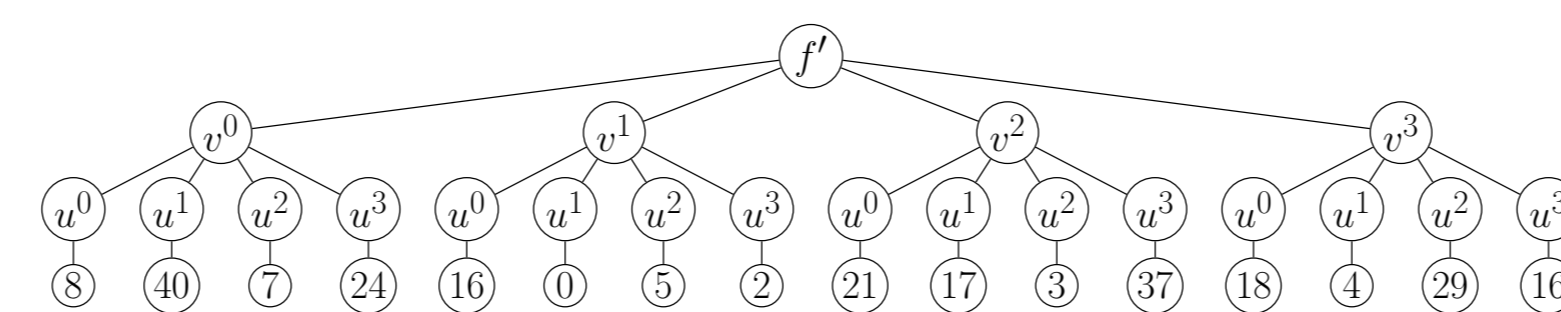
• **Remark.** For  $n \geq 2$ , Expression (2) is minimized at  $n = 2$  and  $s_1 = s_2 = \sqrt{s}$ . Moreover, when  $n = 2$ , under a fixed  $s = s_1 s_2$ , Expression (1) is maximized at  $s_1 = s_2 = \sqrt{s}$ .

## Contraction to Bivariate

• **Example.** Let  $f \in \mathbb{K}[x, y, z]$  where  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{Z}/41\mathbb{Z}$ , with  $\deg(f, x) = \deg(f, y) = 1$ ,  $\deg(f, z) = 3$  and recursive dense representation:

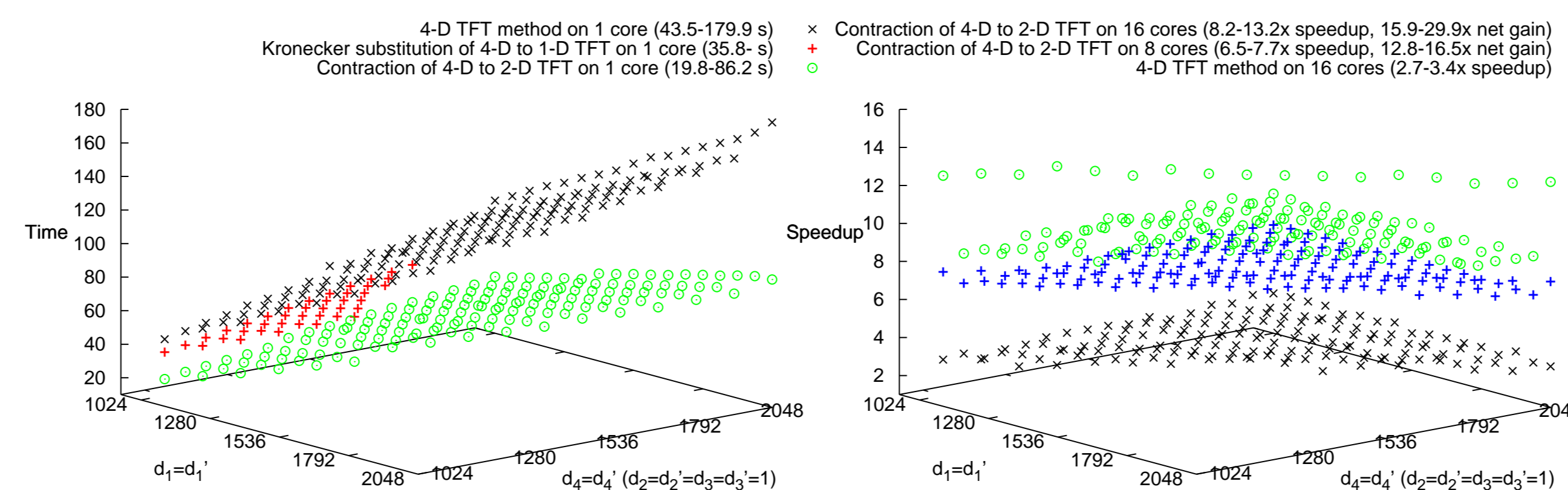


Contracting  $f(x, y, z)$  to  $f'(u, v)$  by  $x^{e_1}y^{e_2}z^{e_3} \mapsto u^{e_1+2e_2}, v^{e_3}$ :



• **Remark.** The data is “essentially” unchanged by contraction, which is a property of recursive dense representation.

• Below, the **left** figure displays the timing of 4-variate multiplication via 4-D TFFT, 1-D TFFT by Kronecker substitution and contraction to balanced 2-D TFFT on 1 core; The **right** figure shows the speedups of 4-variate multiplication using 4-D TFFT and contraction to balanced 2-D TFFT on 8 and 16 cores.

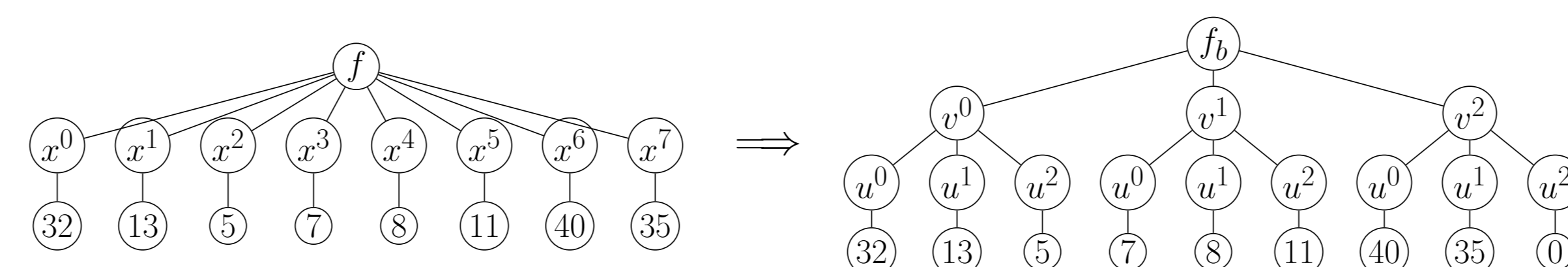


## Extension from Univariate to Bivariate

• **Example.** Consider  $f, g \in \mathbb{K}[x]$  univariate, with  $\deg(f) = 7$  and  $\deg(g) = 8$ ;  $fg$  has “dense size” 16. We obtain an integer  $b$ , such that  $fg$  can be performed via  $f_b g_b$  using “nearly square” 2-D FFTs, where  $f_b := \Phi_b(f)$ ,  $g_b := \Phi_b(g)$  and

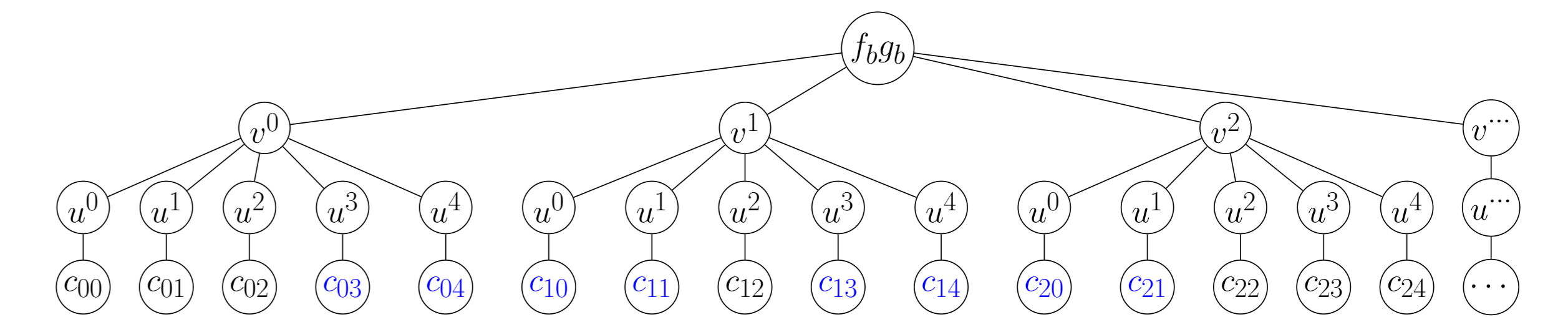
$$\Phi_b : x^e \mapsto u^{e \bmod b} v^{\lfloor e/b \rfloor}.$$

Here  $b = 3$  works since  $\deg(f_b g_b, u) = \deg(f_b g_b, v) = 4$ ; moreover, the dense size of  $f_b g_b$  is 25. Extending  $f(x)$  to  $f_b(u, v)$  gives

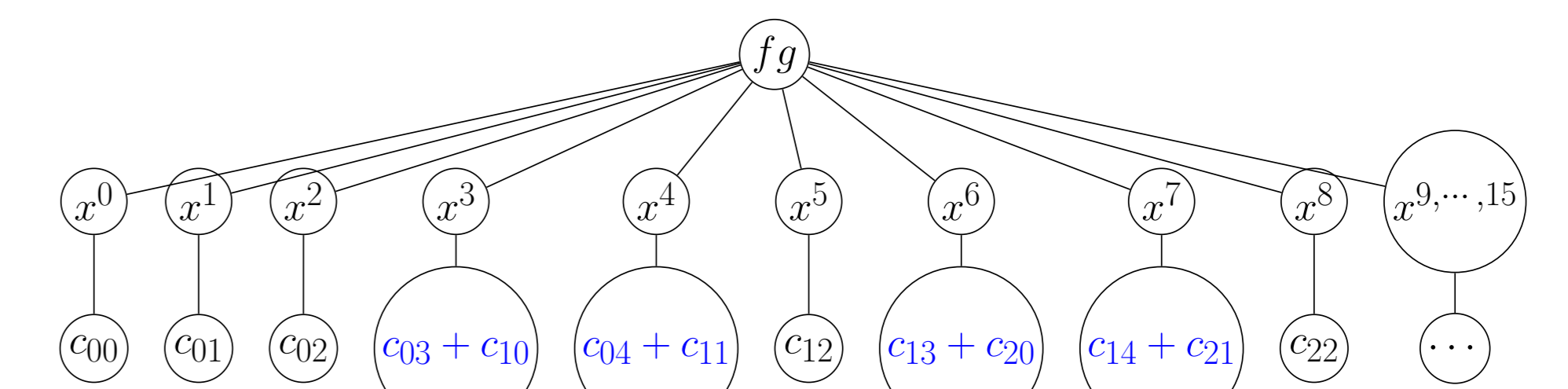


• **Proposition.** For any non-constant  $f, g \in \mathbb{K}[x]$ , one can always compute  $b$  such that  $|\deg(f_b g_b, u) - \deg(f_b g_b, v)| \leq 2$  and the dense size of  $f_b g_b$  is at most twice that of  $fg$ .

• **Example (ctnd).** Computing the bivariate product  $f_b g_b$ :



Converting back to  $fg$  from  $f_b g_b$  requires only to traverse the coefficient array once and perform at most  $\deg(fg, x)$  additions.



## Balanced Multiplication

• **Definition.** A pair of bivariate polynomials  $p, q \in \mathbb{K}[u, v]$  is **balanced** if  $\deg(p, u) + \deg(q, u) = \deg(p, v) + \deg(q, v)$ .

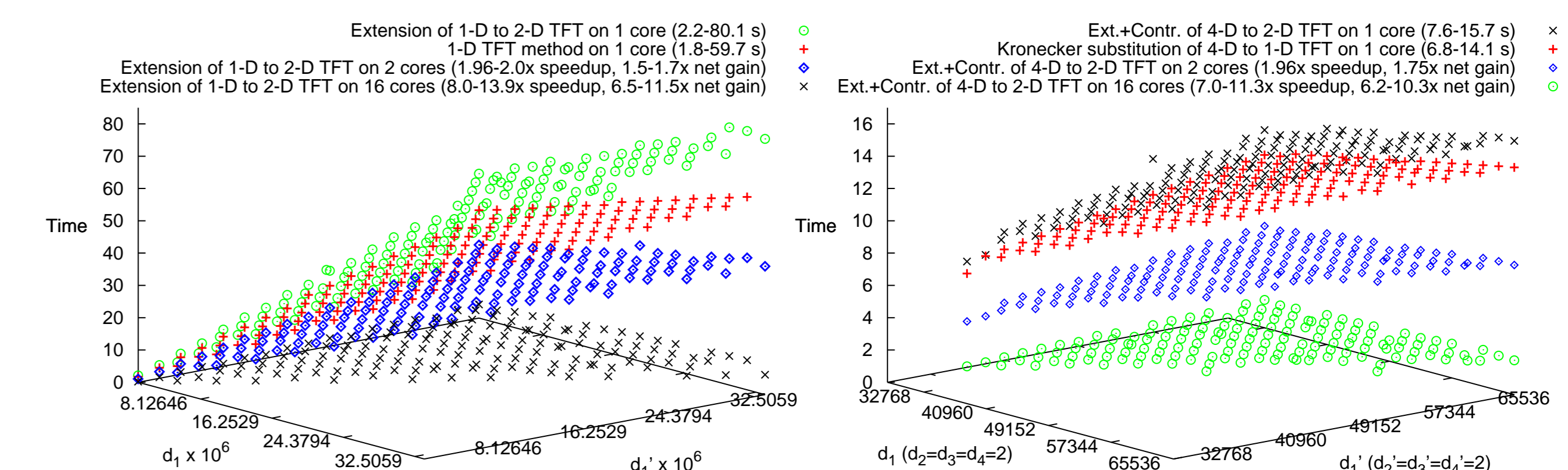
• **Algorithm.** Let  $f, g \in \mathbb{K}[x_1 < \dots < x_n]$ . W.l.o.g. one can assume  $d_1 \gg d_i$  and  $d'_1 \gg d'_i$  for  $2 \leq i \leq n$  (up to variable re-ordering and contraction). We obtain  $fg$  by

**Step 1.** Extending  $x_1$  to  $\{u, v\}$ .

**Step 2.** Contracting  $\{v, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  to  $v$ .

Determine the above extension  $\Phi_b$  such that  $f_b, g_b$  is (nearly) a **balanced pair** and  $f_b g_b$  has dense size at most twice that of  $fg$ .

• The **left** figure shows the timing of univariate multiplication via 1-D TFFT and extension to balanced 2-D TFFT on 1, 2, 16 cores; The **right** one shows the timing of our balanced multiplication for an unbalanced 4-variate case on 1, 2, 16 cores vs the method based on 1-D TFFT via Kronecker substitution.



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