GammaLib - Action #3501

Implement vectorised response computation for COMPTEL

01/15/2021 08:57 AM - Knödlseder Jürgen

Status:	Closed	Start date:	01/15/2021
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Assigned To:	Knödlseder Jürgen	% Done:	100%
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Target version:	2.0.0		
Description			

History

#1 - 01/15/2021 01:29 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- Assigned To set to Knödlseder Jürgen
- % Done changed from 0 to 50

I implemented a vectorised response computation in GCOMResponse::irf_ptsrc() making use of the characteristics of the COMPTEL data space. Specifically, phigeo is now only computed once for the Chi/Psi pixel.

Initial testing using a five energy-band Crab fit reduced the ctlike execution time from 23.23 seconds to 12.48 seconds, hence leading to a speed-up of a factor of 2. More testing is needed to verify for example that the code also works for TS map computation. Also, a valgrind analysis may be done to further speed-up the analysis.

#2 - 01/15/2021 02:04 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- % Done changed from 50 to 60

There is basically no speed-up in the spectral analysis, which is normal since the spatial parameters are fixed in the spectral analysis. Consequently, the cached values will be used.

#3 - 01/15/2021 02:41 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- % Done changed from 60 to 70

The same holds for the TS map computation. No speed-up because the spatial parameters are fixed.

#4 - 01/15/2021 03:32 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- File kcachegrind.png added

Here is a valgrind analysis of the 5 standard band ctlike run on viewing period 1. Obviously a significant fraction of time is spent in the matrix and vector handling.

Specifically, the GMatrixSparse::row method is called many times in GObservation::likelihood_poisson_binned which uses quite some computing time. The reason for this is that the matrices are stored column-wise, hence row access needs quite some computations. It should be checked whether a transposition of the matrix and a column access residuals in actually faster code.

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#5 - 01/15/2021 04:48 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

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Transposing the matrix in GObservation::likelihood_poisson_binned and accessing it through the GMatrixSparse::column method leads to faster code, using 10.21 instead of 12.50 seconds for the 5-band ctlike fit of viewing period 1. For the TS map, the computation needed 3671.03 seconds instead of 5017.22 seconds. Overall, a speed-up of about 20-25% is achieved.

I also checked the speed-up for fitting the Crab to simulated CTA data (fixed position, only prefactor and spectral index are free). Below the computation times and speed-up for the various analysis methods:

Method	Original	Transposed	Speed-up
Unbinned	7.95 s	7.34 s	8%
Binned	5.97 s	5.62 s	6%
Stacked	3.68 s	3.31 s	10%

In all cases the code is faster. I will therefore implement the matrix transformation.

#6 - 01/15/2021 04:55 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- File kcachegrind-transpose.png added

Below the valgrind analysis for the transposed matrix. As expected, matrix access is no longer a bottleneck (the GMatrixSparse::column method uses less than 1% of the time).

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#7 - 01/15/2021 04:56 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- Status changed from In Progress to Pull request
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#8 - 01/15/2021 08:28 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- Status changed from Pull request to Closed
- % Done changed from 90 to 100

Merged into devel.

Files

kcachegrind.png	491 KB	01/15/2021	Knödlseder Jürgen
kcachegrind-transpose.png	519 KB	01/15/2021	Knödlseder Jürgen