

# Level III DWF Interface

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### Abstract

This is a definition of the interface to a set of Level III DWF operator and inverter implementations. Presently it covers single and double precision SSE, single and double precision BG/L and single precision Altivec. The code requires gcc version 3.3.x (patched with vector extensions in case of BG/L) and must be compiled as C to achieve good performance. The interface targets both C and C++ external environments.

## 1 NOTATION

For the following it is convenient to introduce some notation and specify restriction that the inverter imposes on its input parameters and the environment.

We assume that the lattice is a 5-d torus with periodic boundary conditions in 4-directions and a domain wall in the fifth direction. Other boundary conditions in 4-directions may be implemented by appropriate modifications of the gauge field. Lattice sizes are  $L_0 \times L_1 \times L_2 \times L_3 \times L_4$ . The CG uses red-black preconditioning and, therefore, requires that  $L_0 \dots L_3$  be even. Because of the way SSE instructions are used by the CG code,  $L_4$  must be a multiple of 4 for single precision SSE and Altivec, and a multiple of 2 for double precision SSE and all BG/L versions.

We assume also that the cluster has logical geometry  $N_0 \times N_1 \times N_2 \times N_3$  (some of  $N_i$  may be 1). The cluster network is a torus in all non-trivial extends, and we require  $N_i \leq L_i$  for  $i = 0, \dots, 3$ . Otherwise there is no restrictions on  $N_i$ . (However, communications will be overlapped with computations only if  $L_i/N_i \geq 3$  for all  $i$ . Nevertheless, the code will work correctly, albeit slowly, for smaller values of  $L_i/N_i$ .)

Before embarking upon memory layout details, let us introduce

$$\begin{aligned} a_{ij} &= \left\lfloor \frac{jL_i}{N_i} \right\rfloor, \\ b_{ij} &= \left\lfloor \frac{(j+1)L_i}{N_i} \right\rfloor = a_{ij+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Then a node with logical coordinates  $(n_0, n_1, n_2, n_3)$  hosts a sublattice with coordinates  $(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$ , where  $a_{in_i} \leq x_i < b_{in_i}$  for  $i = 0, \dots, 3$  and  $0 \leq x_4 < L_4$ . It is required that at the time the interface functions are called all gauge and fermion fields needed by the CG are *local* on each node and the QMP layer has no outstanding communications.

## 2 QMP STATE ETC

It is required that before any of the solver interface functions is called, the message passing subsystem is set into a known state. In particular:

- `QMP_init_message_passing()` has successfully returned or its equivalent action had been performed.
- `QMP_declare_logical_topology()` was called with parameters corresponding to the outer layer lattice layout.
- All QMP messages had arrived and were handled.
- Memory subsystem is in such a state that it is possible to call functions of `malloc()` family on each node if `alloactor` is passed as `NULL` to `sse_dwf_init()`. Otherwise, it should be possible to allocate 128-bit aligned memory by calling `allocator(byte_count)` between the entry to `sse_dwf_init()` and return from `sse_dwf_fini()` in the program control flow.

In addition, the outer environment must provide a mechanism to call a given function on each node of the cluster without waiting for other nodes. In fact, all interface functions are expected to be called by such a mechanism.

### 3 INTERFACE

The CG interface consists of functions, opaque datatypes and call-back function types. To avoid requiring to reveal too much information about outer layer data types, the CG uses `void *` and `const void *` types for the outer layer lattice objects. In addition to the call-back functions passed as arguments, the CG uses QMP interface for internode communication.

The interface is split along the target architecture and precision lines. While the implementation always does global reductions in double precision, it could be compiled in either single or double precision for x86 and BG/L (there is no support for double precision in AltiVec.) Both single and double precision versions could be used in the same code—they use different naming conventions for external symbols.

For simplicity, a complete header is generated for each target. Here are the five interface headers.

```
2a  <dwf-ssed.h 2a>≡
    #ifndef _DWF_SSED_H
    #define _DWF_SSED_H
    #define L3(n) MIT_ssed_##n
    <dwf-common 3a>
    #undef L3
    #endif

2b  <dwf-ssef.h 2b>≡
    #ifndef _DWF_SSEF_H
    #define _DWF_SSEF_H
    #define L3(n) MIT_ssef_##n
    <dwf-common 3a>
    #undef L3
    #endif

2c  <dwf-bluelightd.h 2c>≡
    #ifndef _DWF_BGLD_H
    #define _DWF_BGLD_H
    #define L3(n) MIT_bluelightd_##n
    <dwf-common 3a>
    #undef L3
    #endif

2d  <dwf-bluelightf.h 2d>≡
    #ifndef _DWF_BGLF_H
    #define _DWF_BGLF_H
    #define L3(n) MIT_bluelightf_##n
    <dwf-common 3a>
    #undef L3
    #endif

2e  <dwf-altivec.h 2e>≡
    #ifndef _DWF_ALTIVECF_H
    #define _DWF_ALTIVECF_H
    #define L3(n) MIT_altivec_##n
    <dwf-common 3a>
    #undef L3
    #endif
```

Common part of the interface follows

```
3a  <dwf-common 3a>≡  
    #include <stdlib.h>  
    <Start C binding region 3b>  
    <Data types 4a>  
    <Interface function prototypes 5a>  
    <End C binding region 3c>
```

Since the interface header file may be included from C++ source, we need to tell the compiler that external symbols have C bindings:

```
3b  <Start C binding region 3b>≡  
    #if defined (__cplusplus)  
    extern "C" {  
    #endif
```

```
3c  <End C binding region 3c>≡  
    #if defined (__cplusplus)  
    }  
    #endif
```

### 3.1 Opaque Types

Here are opaque datatypes used by the interface:

4a  $\langle$ Data types 4a $\rangle \equiv$

```
typedef struct L3(DWF_Fermion)    L3(DWF_Fermion);
typedef struct L3(DWF_Gauge)      L3(DWF_Gauge);
```

Access to outer layer fields is done via accessor functions. Each of them takes a field to access (as `void *` for writers and `const void *` for readers), *global* lattice coordinates, component indices, and real/imaginary part selector. In addition, there is a `void *env` parameter that may be used to pass extra information to the accessor. This parameter is passed by the outer layer to export/import interface functions and is used by the CG only to give it to the call-back functions. Otherwise the CG completely ignores this argument—it does not try to read or write memory pointed to, the pointers are never stored in the internal structures etc..

4b  $\langle$ Data types 4a $\rangle + \equiv$

```
typedef double (*L3(DWF_gauge_reader))(const void    *OuterGauge,
                                       void          *env,
                                       const int      lattice_addr[4],
                                       int            dim,
                                       int            a,
                                       int            b,
                                       int            re_im);
```

This is the type of access functions used by the CG to read gauge field components. The CG calls

```
gauge_reader(U, env, x, dim, a, b, 1);
```

to read  $\Im U_{ab}(x)$ . To access the real part, `re_im` is set to 0. Arguments `a` and `b` vary from 0 to 2 inclusive. It is guaranteed that the CG will only pass the local sublattice coordinates in `lattice_addr[]`. Since this call-back is used only to setup the gauge field, the upper level environment is encouraged to do out-of-range checks on `lattice_addr` because it adds only small overhead while helping to catch data layout mismatch.

4c  $\langle$ Data types 4a $\rangle + \equiv$

```
typedef double (*L3(DWF_fermion_reader))(const void    *OuterFermion,
                                       void          *env,
                                       const int      lattice_addr[5],
                                       int            color,
                                       int            dirac,
                                       int            re_im);
```

This is the type of access functions used to the CG to read input fermion field components. Argument `color` varies from 0 to 2 inclusive, argument `dirac` varies from 0 to 3. Argument `re_im` is 0 for the real part and 1 for the imaginary part. Notice that `lattice_addr` has five components.

4d  $\langle$ Data types 4a $\rangle + \equiv$

```
typedef void (*L3(DWF_fermion_writer))(void          *OuterFemrion,
                                       void          *env,
                                       const int      lattice_addr[5],
                                       int            color,
                                       int            dirac,
                                       int            re_im,
                                       double         value);
```

This is the type of writer functions used to convert back from the CGland to outer layer data format.

## 3.2 CG Initialization

The first function of the CG interface called by the upper level environment must be

5a  $\langle$ Interface function prototypes 5a $\rangle \equiv$

```
int L3(DWF_init)(const int    lattice[5],
                  void        *(*allocator)(size_t size),
                  void        (*deallocater)(void *));
```

Here, `lattice` is size of the lattice (*not the local sublattice*), `allocator` is a pointer to the function the CG should use to allocate dynamic memory (if it is NULL, standard library's `malloc()` will be used.) Likewise, `deallocater` is a pointer to the function to free dynamic memory (if it is NULL, standard library's `free()` will be used.) These function pointers will be stored by `L3(DWF_init)()` in internal structures and may be called *after* it returns.

This function does all initialization needed for the CG to run. Among other things, it allocates and initializes communication channels and constructs index tables needed for computing the Dirac operator.

The upper level environment should complete all QMP communications before calling `L3(DWF_init)()`. This includes not only data arrays involved in the inverter, but all communications in the machine. In addition, it is expected that QMP had been initialized as outlined above.

## 3.3 CG Cleanup

The very last CG function to be called by the upper level environment is

5b  $\langle$ Interface function prototypes 5a $\rangle + \equiv$

```
void L3(DWF_fini)(void);
```

It deallocates all memory owned by the CG and returns QMP to a known state. Upon return from `L3(DWF_fini)()` all CG communication operations are finished and there is no QMP channels owned by the CG.

The upper level environment should wait until `L3(DWF_fini)()` returns on *all nodes of the cluster* before calling any QMP function.

### 3.4 Exporting Gauge Fields

The following function is used to convert outer layer gauge field into a format suitable for the CG. For simplification of the non-critical parts of the CG we require two gauge field parameters: assuming that  $U[\mu]$  is the gauge field in the canonical form (link in the  $\mu$  direction at each lattice site,) let  $V[\mu]$  be its cyclic shift, namely  $V[i] = \text{cshift}(U[i], i, UP)$ . In these conventions, the prototypes of the gauge field loaders are

```
6a <Interface function prototypes 5a>+≡
    L3(DWF_Gauge) *L3(DWF_load_gauge)(const void      *OuterGauge_U,
                                       const void      *OuterGauge_V,
                                       void             *env,
                                       L3(DWF_gauge_reader) reader);
```

While in the loader, `reader` will be called to access the outer layer data. On return, `NULL` indicates that the load operation failed. Otherwise, the returned value is suitable for `L3(DWF_solve)()`. Gauge fields loaded into the CG should be freed by calling the following function:

```
6b <Interface function prototypes 5a>+≡
    void L3(DWF_delete_gauge)(L3(DWF_Gauge) *);
```

### 3.5 Exporting Fermion Fields

For domain wall fermions, let us start with a function used to load the right hand side and the initial guess of the Dirac equation. One does the conversion by the following function:

```
6c <Interface function prototypes 5a>+≡
    L3(DWF_Fermion) *L3(DWF_load_fermion)(const void      *OuterFermion,
                                           void             *env,
                                           L3(DWF_fermion_reader) reader);
```

This function allocates and initializes 5-d fermion fields that are suitable as arguments for the solver proper. To allocate an uninitialized fermion field for the CG, one can use the following function:

```
6d <Interface function prototypes 5a>+≡
    L3(DWF_Fermion) *L3(DWF_allocate_fermion)(void);
```

Either allocated or loaded, CG's fermion fields should be freed after use to reclaim memory by calling

```
6e <Interface function prototypes 5a>+≡
    void L3(DWF_delete_fermion)(L3(DWF_Fermion) *);
```

### 3.6 Importing the Result

We also need a way to convert solutions of the domain wall Dirac equation to the upper level format. Here are functions to do that:

```
6f <Interface function prototypes 5a>+≡
    void L3(DWF_save_fermion)(void      *OuterFermion,
                              void      *env,
                              L3(DWF_fermion_writer) writer,
                              L3(DWF_Fermion) *CGfermion);
```

It will iterate through the local subvolume on each node and call `writer()` with appropriate arguments to convert data into the outer layer format.

### 3.7 Solver Engine

The solver proper takes fields converted into CG's format and a few extra parameters:

7a  $\langle$ Interface function prototypes 5a $\rangle + \equiv$

```

int L3(DWF_cg_solver)(L3(DWF_Fermion)      *result,
                     double                 *out_eps,
                     int                    *out_iter,
                     const L3(DWF_Gauge)    *gauge,
                     double                 M_0,
                     double                 m_f,
                     const L3(DWF_Fermion) *guess,
                     const L3(DWF_Fermion) *rhs,
                     double                 eps,
                     int                    min_iter,
                     int                    max_iter);

```

It returns 0 if it believes that a reasonable approximation to the solution was found and a non-zero value otherwise. Number of conjugate gradient iterations used is returned in `out_iter`, an estimated residual after the last iteration is returned in `out_eps`. At least `min_iter` conjugate gradient iterations are applied. The solver uses the operator and preconditioner described in `dwf.pdf`.

### 3.8 Dirac Operator

It is convenient to have the Dirac operator as a standalone function. Here we compute

$$\chi \leftarrow D_{DW}\psi.$$

7b  $\langle$ Interface function prototypes 5a $\rangle + \equiv$

```

void L3(DWF_Dirac_Operator)(L3(DWF_Fermion)      *chi,
                           const L3(DWF_Gauge)    *gauge,
                           double                 M_0,
                           double                 m_f,
                           const L3(DWF_Fermion) *psi);

```

$$\chi \leftarrow D_{DW}^\dagger\psi.$$

7c  $\langle$ Interface function prototypes 5a $\rangle + \equiv$

```

void L3(DWF_Dirac_Operator_conjugate)(L3(DWF_Fermion)      *chi,
                                       const L3(DWF_Gauge)    *gauge,
                                       double                 M_0,
                                       double                 m_f,
                                       const L3(DWF_Fermion) *psi);

```

### 3.9 Little Helpers

$$\psi \leftarrow \varphi + a\eta$$

7d  $\langle$ Interface function prototypes 5a $\rangle + \equiv$

```

void L3(DWF_Add_Fermion)(L3(DWF_Fermion)      *psi,
                        const L3(DWF_Fermion) *phi,
                        double                 a,
                        const L3(DWF_Fermion) *eta);

```

$$v \leftarrow \langle \bar{\psi} | \varphi \rangle$$

7e  $\langle$ Interface function prototypes 5a $\rangle + \equiv$

```

void L3(DWF_Fermion_Dot_Product)(double      *v_re,
                                 double        *v_im,
                                 const L3(DWF_Fermion) *psi,
                                 const L3(DWF_Fermion) *phi);

```

## 4 SAMPLE USAGE PSEUDOCODE

Here is a pseudo-code showing a possible use of the CG by the upper level environment. It is possible to use the CG interface in different ways, e.g., to solve many equations with the same gauge field without going through the full initialization dance. The changes needed to accomplish that should be obvious to the reader by now.

```
OuterSolver(U, eta, guess)
{
    OuterGauge V;
    OuterFermion solution;

    for (int i = 0; i < 4; i++)
        V[i] = cshift(U[i], i, UP);

    // Finalize all outer layer QMP operations
    MIT_ssef_DWF_init(lattice, NULL, NULL); // single precision
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Gauge *g = MIT_ssef_DWF_load_gauge(U, V,
                                                    NULL,
                                                    gauge_reader);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Fermion *rhs = MIT_ssef_DWF_load_fermion(eta,
                                                         NULL,
                                                         fermion_reader);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Fermion *x0 = MIT_ssef_DWF_load_fermion(guess,
                                                         NULL,
                                                         fermion_reader);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Fermion *x = MIT_ssef_DWF_allocate_fermion();
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Fermion *Ax = MIT_ssef_DWF_allocate_fermion();
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Fermion *Ax_b = MIT_ssef_DWF_allocate_fermion();
    double out_epsilon;
    int out_iterations;
    double true_eps_re, true_eps_im;

    MIT_ssef_DWF_gc_solver(x, &out_epsilon, &out_iterations,
                          g, M_0, m_f, x0, rhs,
                          1e-14, 5000);

    // Compute true residual
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Dirac_Operator(Ax, g, M_0, m_f, x);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Add_Fermion(Ax_b, Ax, -1., rhs);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_Fermion_Dot_Product(&true_eps_re, &true_eps_im, Ax_b, Ax_b);

    // Export the solution to outer space
    MIT_ssef_DWF_save_fermion(solution, NULL, fermion_writer);

    // Cleanup
    MIT_ssef_DWF_delete_gauge(g);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_delete_fermion(rhs);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_delete_fermion(x0);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_delete_fermion(x);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_delete_fermion(Ax);
    MIT_ssef_DWF_delete_fermion(Ax_b);

    // Close L3 and return
    MIT_ssef_DWF_fini();
    return solution;
}
```



## 5 CHUNKS

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