Parallel Programming in Python: a Pure-MPI code

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The Hybrid version

Structure:

```
# catalogue reading using ascii.read (2e8×5 array)
# generate N uniform random array (N=30, length 2e8)
def calculation(**arg):
    # transfer N uniform array to Gaussian distributions
    # scatter a catalogue column with them
    # for each scattered array, calculate another quantity
    return mean (N quantities)
def log like(**argv2):
    # use multiprocessing.Pool for calculation (**argv2)
    # chi square = ((data-model)/error)**2
    return -0.5*chi square
MC Sampling(log like) with mpi4py
```

The Hybrid version

Performance:

```
# catalogue reading (~2min) using ascii.read (2e8×5 array)
# generate N uniform random array (~1min) (N=30, length 2e8)
def calculation (10s) (**arg):
```

```
def log like(**argv2):
     # multiprocessing.Pool(~2.5min for N=30)
```

```
MC Sampler(log like) with mpi4py(4.5hours for -N 16 -c 64)
```

The Hybrid version

Pros:

- 1. easy to implement and read
- no extra communication between processes for calculation() and MC_Sampling()

Cons:

- 1. multiprocessing.Pool has very long communication time
- 2. multiprocessing.Pool only requests processes in one nodes, so N<32 and more nodes don't improve its speed

Expectation for MPI

- 1. compute the random arrays faster
- 2. number of random arrays N can be larger than 32
- 3. faster optimisation process

Structure: Parent

```
# initialise MPI
# catalogue reading using hdf5
def calculation (**arg):
    # Spawn N children processes
    # broadcast array size and scatter parameters to them
    # reduce the sum of all children to the root process
    return sum/N
def log like (**argv2):
    return -0.5*((data-calculation(**argv2))/error)**2
MC Sampler (log like) without mpi4py
```

Structure: Children

```
# initialise mpi4py
get parent()
receive the broadcast info
```

- # generate a uniform random array in each parent process
- # transfer this uniform array to Gaussian distributions
- # scatter a catalogue column with them
- # for each scattered array, calculate another quantity

reduce the sum to the root process

```
Login nodes:
Cori, 32 physical cores and 2 Threads

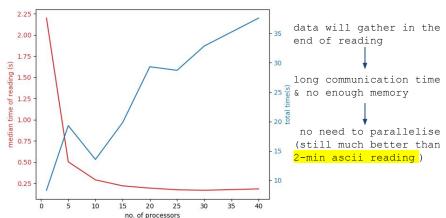
Computing nodes:
Haswell, 32 physical cores and 2 Threads

Memory limit:
Cori 64G, Haswell 128G

Test setting:
salloc -N 4 -n 256 -c 1 -q interactive -C Haswell
```

Performance tests:

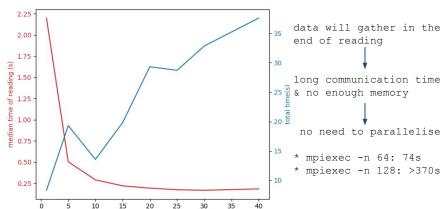
reading catalogue using hdf5:



Performance tests:

reading catalogue using hdf5:

no. of processors



```
# parent-child structure tests
x = np.linspace(0.,101.,int(8e7))
maxproc = #
def log like (argv):
    model = par[0]*x+par[1]
    comm = MPI.COMM SELF.Spawn (sys.executable,
                           args=[' child.py'], maxprocs= maxproc)
    lenx = np.arrav(len(x),'i')
    sigma = np.array(1.,'d')
    comm.Bcast ([lenx, MPI.INT], root=MPI.ROOT)
    comm.Bcast ([sigma, MPI.DOUBLE], root=MPI.ROOT)
    noise = np.zeros(lenx,'d')
    comm.Reduce (None, [noise, MPI.DOUBLE], op=MPI.SUM, root=MPI.ROOT)
    y mean = 2*x+3+noise/maxproc
    comm.Disconnect()
    return -0.5*((y mean-model)**2/error**2).sum()
print(log like([a,b]))
```

```
# parent-child structure tests
'child.pv'
# initialise mpi4pv
lenx = np.array(0.,'i')
sigma = np.array(0.,'d')
comm.Bcast ([lenx, MPI.INT], root=0)
comm.Bcast ([sigma, MPI.DOUBLE], root=0)
# make sure the Gaussian random is stable
uniform = np.random.RandomState(seed=rank+1).rand(lenx)
half = int(lenx/2)
noise =
append(sigma*sqrt(-2*log(uniform[:half]))*cos(2*pi*uniform[half:])
.\
sigma*sgrt(-2*log(uniform[:half]))*sin(2*pi*uniform[half:]))
comm.Reduce ([noise, MPI.DOUBLE], None, op=MPI.SUM, root=0)
comm.Disconnect()
```

```
# parent-child structure tests
x = np.linspace(0.,101.,int(8e7)) # close to the upper memory limit

maxproc (number of children processes)
> mpiexec -n Ntask python parent.py (A parent processes)

# baseline 1
replace children with multiprocessing.Pool with 30 processes
# baseline 2
Nnodes = 2, maxproc = 30, ntasks = A = 2
```

Performance tests:

parent-child structure tests

	Nnode	ntask	maxproc	time(s)
base1	2	2	30	145.0
base2	2	2	30	37.05
MPI	4	2	30	44.24
MPI	4	2	60	46.44

Performance tests:

likelihood combined with the Monte-Carlo Sampler

(Problematic!)

- Pymultinest: cannot work at all even though its own mpi4py is disabled
- emcee: a sequential code. But it stops after
 17% points are sampled (no error reports).

Pros:

- 1. maxproc can be larger than 30
- 2. random array has been generated 3 times faster than the hybrid version

Cons:

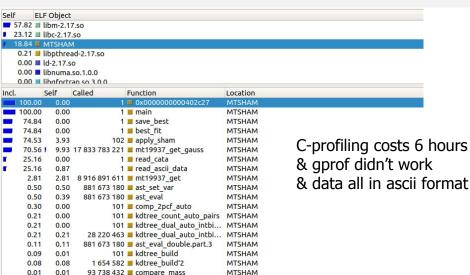
- 1. difficult to adjust to the external library
- easily out of memory given the large data set, so data-preprocessing needed

Code&results:

https://github.com/Jiaxi-Yu/parallel programming project.git

Thanks!

The Hybrid version:C



Structure:

failed due to unnoticed deadlock

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a serial MC Sampler(log like)
```