IN3200/IN4200 Exercise Set 2

Exercise 1

Write a simple C program that illustrates the speed advantages of reading and writing binary data files, compared with using ASCII data files.

Exercise 2

Write a simple C program that compares the following hand-coded copy operation between two arrays

with using the standard memcpy function.

Exercise 3

Write a C program to do the following 3D numerical calculation:

- Allocate two 3D arrays v and u, both of dimension $n_x \times n_y \times n_z$.
- \bullet Initialize the values of array v by the following formula:

$$v_{i,j,k} = 2.0 + \sin\left(\frac{i \cdot j \cdot k \cdot \pi}{(n_x - 1) \cdot (n_y - 1) \cdot (n_z - 1)}\right),\,$$

where $v_{i,j,k}$ denotes v[i][j][k].

• Initialize the entire array of u with zeros.

• Carry out the following computation for a prescribed number of iterations. During each iteration:

$$u_{i,j,k} = v_{i,j,k} + \frac{v_{i-1,j,k} + v_{i,j-1,k} + v_{i,j,k-1} - 6v_{i,j,k} + v_{i+1,j,k} + v_{i,j+1,k} + v_{i,j,k+1}}{6}$$

for $1 \le i \le n_x - 2, 1 \le j \le n_y - 2, 1 \le k \le n_z - 2$. Copy the content of **u** to **v** before the next iteration.

• Deallocate the two 3D arrays v and u.

Exercise 4

How to measure the actual FLOPS rate achieved by your 3D solver above?