

Parallel Programming Tutorial - Sequential Programming

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Homework

- You can still switch teams easily during this second exercise
 - If you want to switch afterwards, please contact us so you don't lose points.
- Please make sure your Gitlab repositories are set to private.



Assignment 2: "Mandelbrot"





Assignment: Mandelbrot

- Task: Calculate number of elements in Multibrot set.
- Like Mandelbrot, but with variable exponent.
- The exponent is read from stdin.
- Using formula $z_{i+1} = z_i^d + c$ where $z, c \in \mathbb{C}$.
- With $z_0 = 0 + 0i$, c = x + yi.
- If after max_iter iterations, |z| < 2, then c is in the set.

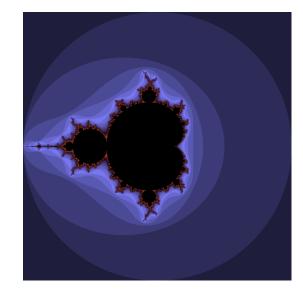


Figure 1: Standard Mandelbrot set (d = 2.0).





Assignment: Mandelbrot

- You can use all the resources available to you.
- Parallelize the sequential implementation with pthreads.
- Your speedup should be ≥ 16.
- Evaluation command: ./student_submission -r 1033x1033 -i 1000 -n 1
- Image is output to PPM image file unless -n 1 specified.
- Watch out for load imbalance.
- More pthread exercise content next week can help get high speedups.

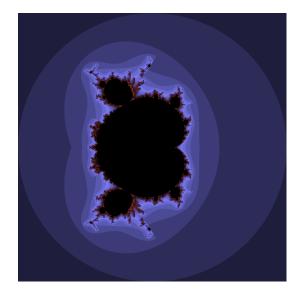


Figure 2: Funky Multibrot set (d = 2.5).





Hints on the submission system

- You can see speedup even on failed submissions.
- Free computing time before getProblemFromInput() and after outputSolution(result).
- The reference implementation is no longer the sequential implementation.
- Nothing changes on the submission server except the data provided from getProblemFromInput().

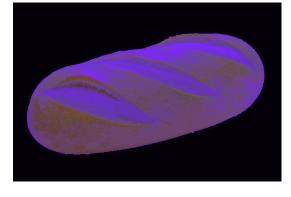


Figure 3: Mysterious Megabrot set (d = ?).



Assignment: Megabrot

Good luck on the homework.

Contact us on Moodle, RocketChat, etc. Q&A Session will be announced.