Ex05_p01

To compare the CPU time of writing the array to a file unformatted and formatted i used two functions, write_formatted and write_unformatted. When testing I compiled both programs with -O0 and -O3 and then executed them n=100 times using the shell script script.sh. Finally I used the program medians.c to calculate the averages.

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p01_formatted.c
double write_formatted(float* a, int sz)
{
        clock_t start, end;
        double cpu_time_used;
        FILE* file = fopen("p01_formatted.txt", "w");
        if (file != NULL) {
                start = clock();
                for (int i = 0; i < sz; i++) {
                         fprintf(file, "%g", a[i]);
                }
                end = clock();
                cpu_time_used = ((double) (end - start)) /
CLOCKS_PER_SEC;
                fclose(file);
        }
        return cpu_time_used;
}
p01_unformatted.c
double write_unformatted(float* a, int sz)
{
        clock_t start, end;
        double cpu_time_used;
        FILE* file = fopen("p01_unformatted.datc", "w");
        if (file != NULL) {
                start = clock();
                for (int i = 0; i < sz; i++) {
                         fwrite((void*) &a[i], sizeof(a[i]),
1, file);
                }
                end = clock();
                cpu_time_used = ((double) (end - start)) /
CLOCKS_PER_SEC;
                fclose(file);
        }
```

```
return cpu_time_used;
}
```

Results:

 As one can see from the output of *medians.c* the CPU time required to write the array, formatted, to aa file takes significantly longer than when writing it unformatted to a file. Another thing to note is that compiler optimisation had very little effect on the CPU time.

Output from medians.c

```
Average of data/p01_formatted_00_output.txt: 2.651592
Average of data/p01_formatted_03_output.txt: 2.647093
Average of data/p01_unformatted_00_output.txt: 0.146979
Average of data/p01_unformatted_03_output.txt: 0.140988
```