

SALIH KILICLI – STAT 624 HOMEWORK 2

— SETUP —

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module load intel/2019
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I have written a shell file that runs a couple for loops and compares the Intel and GNU libraries and their options in terms of performance. The file is called hw2.sh, and the code is given below.

Finally, I made the shell file executable and then run it on my Terra account.

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chmod u+x hw2.sh
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./hw2.sh
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— HW2.SH FILE —

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# Compiler Optimization Comparison - Intel vs GNU with different options
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# Runs a for loop for different options for each compiler and times the process
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# O0 [No optimization], O1 [Some for speed], O2 [All for speed], O3 [Aggressive], -fast (or -Ofast for GNU)
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IC=("-O0" "-O1" "-O2" "-O3" "-fast")
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GNU=("-O0" "-O1" "-O2" "-O3" "-Ofast")
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echo "_____"
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echo "Comparing Intel Fortran vs GNU Fortran w/ different optimizers"
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echo "_____"
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for i in {0..4}
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do
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    ifort ${IC[$i]} -o brem brem.f gammln.f
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    echo "Time for" ${IC[$i]} "optimization of Intel compiler is"
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    time ./brem < thik.inp $> /dev/null
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    gfortran ${GNU[$i]} -o brem brem.f gammln.f
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    echo "Time for" ${GNU[$i]} "optimization of GNU compiler is"
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    time ./brem < thik.inp $> /dev/null
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done
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echo "_____"  
echo "Comparing Intel compiler options along with -O2 (default) optimizer"  
echo "_____"  
ICO=["-xHost" "-ipo" "-no-prec-div"]  
for j in {0..2}  
do  
    ifort ${ICO[$j]} -o brem brem.f gammln.f #Intel compiler  
    echo "Time for Intel compiler option" ${ICO[$j]} "along w/ -O2 is"  
    time ./brem < thik.inp $> /dev/null  
done  
echo "_____"  
echo "Comparing GNU optimizer along with GNU vs Intel math library"  
echo "_____"  
    gfortran -Ofast -o brem brem.f gammln.f #GNU compiler  
    echo "Time for -Ofast optimization of GNU w/ GNU math library is"  
    time ./brem < thik.inp $> /dev/null  
    gfortran -Ofast -o brem brem.f gammln.f -limf #GNU compiler with Intel math library  
    echo "Time for -Ofast optimization of GNU w/ Intel math library is"  
    time ./brem < thik.inp $> /dev/null  
echo "_____"
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— FINAL REMARKS —

Running hw2.sh executable file in Terra and collecting time information, I have created tables below in order to compare required optimizations and their options.

Table below compares different optimization methods for Intel and GNU compilers and compare them within the same optimization method.

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Compiler Type	Intel			GNU		
-O0	real	1m27.730s		real	2m34.567s	
	user	1m27.727s		user	2m34.565s	
	sys	0m0.005s		sys	0m0.007s	
-O1	real	0m48.791s		real	2m20.027s	
	user	0m48.785s		user	2m20.023s	
	sys	0m0.007s		sys	0m0.008s	
-O2	real	0m47.627s		real	2m7.949s	
	user	0m47.619s		user	2m7.942s	
	sys	0m0.009s		sys	0m0.009s	
-O3	real	0m47.436s		real	2m5.223s	
	user	0m47.426s		user	2m5.216s	
	sys	0m0.011s		sys	0m0.011s	
-fast (-Ofast GNU)	real	0m15.885s		real	2m7.103s	
	user	0m15.882s		user	2m7.054s	
	sys	0m0.004s		sys	0m0.034s	

It is evident from the table that for Intel compiler, fastest method is given by -fast option which is followed by -O2 and -O3 being really close to each other. For GNU, apparently, -O3 method works the best; however, the speed for -O3, -O2, and -Ofast options are pretty similar. Also, it is apparent that Intel compiler works much better than GNU compiler when it comes to speed. Even the fastest method of GNU is much slower than the slowest method of Intel.

Table below compares different options for Intel compiler using the default [-O2] optimization method.

Options	-xHost			-ipo			-noprec-div		
Intel	real	0m47.097s		real	0m16.937s		real	0m47.161s	
	user	0m47.092s		user	0m16.932s		user	0m47.156s	
	sys	0m0.005s		sys	0m0.006s		sys	0m0.006s	

Clearly, -ipo option gives the biggest performance boost in terms of speed, and it almost works 3x times faster than the -O2 optimizer without the given option. The other two options yield pretty similar results.

The table below illustrates the difference of speed performance of GNU library's -Ofast optimizer along with default and Intel math libraries.

Library	GNU Math Library			Intel Math Library		
GNU -Ofast optimizer	real	2m6.450s		real	0m52.658s	
	user	2m6.444s		user	0m52.651s	
	sys	0m0.009s		sys	0m0.006s	

Again, it is clear that GNU compiler works more than 2x times faster when it is used with Intel math library (even when compared to fastest optimization method), which means the mathematical library that is used is more important than the compiler used in the code when it comes to speed.