# HPC Project: Shade Model Optimization

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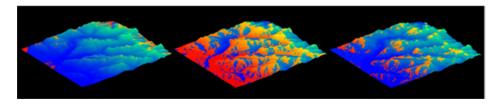


Figure 1:

## 1 Introduction

This program is designed to model shade given elevation and location information for a selected land area. With this information a model of watershed can be created for primary use by CI-Water Project for predicting locations for forest fire remediation. The uploaded land area of interest can simply be downloaded off of GIS, the user can select a time interval over the course of a specific day of the year. The GPS coordinates of the land area as well as day of the year provide solar angle along with the topography of the land indicate if an area is shaded or not. Currently the program only indicates if an element of the land area is shaded or not shaded. No information of temperature or partial shading is provided and may be a future goal however currently this information alone is sufficient for CI-Water Project's needs.

The original program was created by Troy Axthelm and Jingyu Li funded by CI-Water Project. For more information and location of the open source code please see the link below:

https://sites.google.com/site/uwyoshademodel/

As a project for a graduate coarse: Designing and Building Applications for Extreme Scale Systems lead by instructor William Gropp and Professor Craig Douglas, our group intends make improvements in performance leading to faster simulations as well as making the program more flexible and easier to use for the user during runtime as well as post processing and visualization.

## 1.1 Initial Benchmarking

### 1.1.1 Parlib MPI

To test functionality of different Message Passing Interface (MPI) routines and avoid conflicts with Parlib, we decided to remove the Parlib dependency in this particular case. While there are advantages to having an interface library, we are exploring different methods with MPI which are not yet implemented in Parlib, such as MPI derived data types and structures. To effectively pass structures in MPI as an array data type, we needed to utilize a method which was not available in the Parlib implementation. This was a primary driving factor for removing the interface code in this particular case. There was also possibility that we may have implemented MPI-3 routines which were not also available in the Parlib implementation.

#### 1.1.2 MPI

An initial profiling of the code in parallel was used to determine trouble areas in the code where performance improvements could be made. The result of using the Allinea profiler showed that over 80% of the computing time was spent in a loop in main.c, the specific code for this problem area is shown below for convienence:

```
//Step along azimuth until off of grid or the observer point is determined to be shaded
while (tempX >= 0 && tempX <= (numCols-1) && tempY >= 0 && tempY <= (numRows - 1))
roundTempX = (int)round(tempX);
roundTempY = (int)round(tempY);
if(roundTempX != i || roundTempY != j)
tempSlope = (ourData[roundTempY][roundTempX].elevation - ourData[i][j].elevation)/sqrt(lenX*lenX + lenY*lenY);
if(solarAlt <= tempSlope)</pre>
ourData[i][j].shading[k] = 1;
break;
}
}
lenX += stepX;
lenY += stepY;
tempX += stepTempX;
tempY += stepTempY;
}
```

### 1.2 Performance Model

A performance model was created to give us a rough idea on the expected timing in the area described above where over 80% of the computation time is spent. The model is defined as:

```
total time = n * m * (8r + 5w + 2c)
```

assuming the time for write is equal to the time for read then:

```
total time = 8(\frac{bytes}{element}) * n * m * (13 * r * \frac{1Mbytes}{1e6butes} + 2c)
```

with n=1966 and m=2054, using the Stream performance the best Rate shown in table 1 an estimate for the performance of a read is 15564.0 MB/s, time for a read is  $\frac{1}{15564.0 \text{MB/s}}$ 

The compute nodes on Mt. Moran used for testing use Intel chips with 2.6 GHz which gives an estimate of c = 2.6e9 flops. The estimated time based on this performance model gives t=0.09159seconds if we assume 1-4 bytes moved per 32 bytes for each floating point operation gives 0.96% to 3.8% of peak performance giving an estimated time of t=8.7926e-4 to t=0.0035 [Sec]

| Table 1: Stream Results on Mt. Moran |                |          |          |          |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| Function                             | Best Rate MB/s | Avg time | Min time | Max time |  |  |
| Copy:                                | 14078.4        | 0.011393 | 0.011365 | 0.011444 |  |  |
| Scale                                | 14098.2        | 0.011366 | 0.011349 | 0.011390 |  |  |
| Add:                                 | 15564.0        | 0.015445 | 0.015420 | 0.015477 |  |  |
| Triad:                               | 15379.7        | 0.015635 | 0.015605 | 0.015659 |  |  |

## 1.3 Coding Improvements

### 1.3.1 Algorithmic Improvements

introduce global constants reduce built in algebraic functions example code from landReader.c:

```
temp.latitude = latitude*180.0/(4*atan(1)); //convertthelatitude to degrees where 4*atan(1) = 3.141592653589793 = \pi
```

### 1.3.2 Linear Memory

To make improvements to the part of the code where the majority of the compute time is taken, by improving the way the array's "outData.elevation" is read and "ourData.shading" is written will make significant improvements to performance. To verify that this is an area that can be improved a simple performance model is created and compared with timing results of the actual code over this loop. This performance model is only to demonstrate an upper limit on performance.

```
//Step along azimuth until off of grid or the observer point is determined to be shaded
loop through numCols & numRows: n,m while (tempX >= 0 && tempX <= (numCols-1) && tempY >= 0 && tempY <= (numRows -
{
    %n*m*(r+0.5*w) roundTempX = (int)round(tempX);
    %n*m*(r+0.5*w) roundTempY = (int)round(tempY);</pre>
```

### 1.4 Threading

### 1.5 Results

Using one compute node on Mt. Moran some timings of various stages of optimization show the improvements made as shown in table 2.

Table 2: Code Timing Results

| -                             | Time [Sec] | Ratio w.r.t. Base Code |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Base Code                     | 582.4      | 1                      |  |  |  |
| Entail Math Ops., Less Parlib | 573        | 0.984                  |  |  |  |
| Memory Linearization          | 532        | 0.914                  |  |  |  |
| Threading                     | 79         | 0.136                  |  |  |  |

To compare the timing improvements made with the performance model viewing the maximum and minimum times in the computationally expensive loop described above are provided in table 3. Since the code can exit out of the loop early if shade is the resulting land slope is greater than the solar altitude it is more informative to compare the maximum observed time in the loop. The base code maximum time is on the same magnitude as the performance model prediction where as the improved code is 15 times faster.

Table 3: Inner Loop Timing Results

| -   | Base Code Time [Sec] | Improved Code Time [Sec] | Ratio w.r.t Base Code |
|-----|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| min | 4e-06                | 4e-06                    | 1                     |
| max | 1.08e-04             | 7e-06                    | 15.43                 |

## 1.6 Pit Falls

While group projects are challenging having multiple people working on one code becomes an increasingly difficult challenge to try and manage. Using code repositories helps to mitigate code rework and provides

the most updated version to all group members if used properly.

While this group did achieve the main goal of producing a faster code for the Shade Model however there exists a problem within one of the updates made making this code unable to reproduce 100~% repeatable results. Shown below in figure 2 shows a region of no shade when according to the Base code there should be shade.

This error could have been avoid if more test cases were run while also using more commits to work through the changes more carefully.

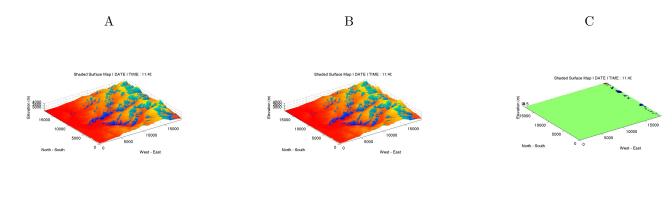


Figure 2:

### 1.7 Conclusion

The Shade Model is a useful tool for research scientists however improving the performance of the code would allow not only quicker computation in general but allow larger grid sections to be analyzed at once while using fewer computational resources. Using techniques learned from the HPC course this group was able to pin point areas of the code to improve, establish a performance model to give

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# Original Code

Listing 1: ./orig\_code/main.c

```
/ Troy Axthelm and Jingyu Li
/ Land shade model program
/ 12 December 2013
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#define PAR_MPI 1
#include "parlib.h"
#include "landStruct.h"
#include "landReader.h"
#include "sunDeclination.h"
#include "timeDifference.h"
#include "localHourAngle.h"
#include "solarAltitude.h"
#include "azimuth.h"
int main(int argc, char** argv)
         //Set to the day of shading calculation //January 1 = 0; December 31 = 364 int Day = 20;
         //Interval of time to have shading information for
         //Must change landStruct shade array size to 86400/timeInterval
         int timeInterval = 300;
         //Set to the file name to read elevation data from
         char* fileName = "DEM.asc";
         //Variables will be set at runtime
         LandData** ourData;
         int numRows=0;
         int numCols=0;
         double sunDeclin = 0.0;
double localHrAngle = 0.0;
         double azi = 0.0;
double solarAlt = 0.0;
         double timeDif = 0.0;
         const double PI = 4*atan(1);
         //index variables
         int i,j,k;
         double temp;
         //ourData is now populated with the necessary information
         //from the inpt file.
         ourData = extractData(fileName, &numCols, &numRows);
         /\!/ {\it Calculate the sun declination for the given day}\,.
         sunDeclination(&sunDeclin,Day);
         double stepX;
         double stepY;
         double lenX;
         double lenY;
         double tempX;
         double tempY;
         int roundTempX;
         int roundTempY;
         double stepTempX;
         double stepTempY;
         double tempSlope;
         double ourStep;
         double darkAngle;
```

```
int rank;
         int psize:
         par_start(argc, argv, &psize, &rank);
         //Not including lower portions of triangular mesh for(k = rank; k < 288; k += psize)
                  //Set the name of the current file to write to
                  char fileName[50];
sprintf(fileName, "shadingPlot_%d.m", k);
                  FILE *thisFile;
                  thisFile = fopen(fileName, "w");
                  fprintf(thisFile, "a_{\sqcup} =_{\sqcup} [_{\sqcup}]");
                  for( i = 0; i < numRows; i++)</pre>
                            for (j = 0; j < numCols; j++)
                                     double currentSizeX = ourData[i][j].sizeX;
                                     double currentSizeY = ourData[i][j].sizeY;
                                     ourStep = currentSizeX;
                                     //Calculate the dark angle
                                     darkAngle = acos(-tan(ourData[i][j].latitude) * tan(sunDeclin));
                                     //For each thirty minute azimuth, calculate the horizon(in this day)
                                     timeDifference(&timeDif, ourData[i][j].thetaS, ourData[i][j].thetaL);
                                     localHourAngle(&localHrAngle,(double)(k * timeInterval), timeDif, 0.0, timeInterval);
                                     if (((localHrAngle < (darkAngle + PI - (15.0*PI/180))) && k < (86400/timeInterval/2))
|| ((localHrAngle > (PI-darkAngle + (30.0*PI/180.0)) && k >= (86400/timeInterval/2))))
                                               ourData[i][j].shading[k] = 1.0;
                                     }
                                     else
                                               //LATITUDE NEEDS TO BE IN RADIANS!!!!!!!!
                                               solarAltitude(&solarAlt, sunDeclin, ((ourData[i][j].latitude)*PI/180), localHrAng
                                               azimuth(&azi, solarAlt, ourData[i][j].latitude, sunDeclin, k * timeInterval);
                                               stepX = ourStep*-sin(azi);
                                               stepY = ourStep*cos(azi);
                                               lenX = 0.0;
                                               lenY = 0.0;
                                               stepTempX = stepX / currentSizeX;
stepTempY = stepY / currentSizeY;
                                               lenX += stepX;
                                               lenY += stepY;
                                               tempX = lenX/currentSizeX + (double)j;
tempY = lenY/currentSizeY + (double)i;
                                               ourData[i][j].shading[k] = 0;
                                               solarAlt = tan(solarAlt);
                                               //Step along azimuth until off of grid or the observer point is determind to be s while (tempX >= 0 \&\& tempX <= (numCols-1) \&\& tempY >= 0 \&\& tempY <= (numRows - 1)
                                                        roundTempX = (int)round(tempX);
roundTempY = (int)round(tempY);
                                                        if(roundTempX != i || roundTempY != j)
                                                                  tempSlope = (ourData[roundTempY][roundTempX].elevation - ourData[:
                                                                  if(solarAlt <= tempSlope)</pre>
                                                                           ourData[i][j].shading[k] = 1;
                                                                  }
```

```
}
                                                                                                                                                                                             lenX += stepX;
                                                                                                                                                                                            lenY += stepY;
                                                                                                                                                                                             tempX += stepTempX;
                                                                                                                                                                                             tempY += stepTempY;
                                                                                                                                                            }
                                                                                                                              //Print all of shade data to files in .m format
                                                                                                                              fprintf(thisFile, "%du", ourData[i][j].shading[k]);
                                                                                             fprintf(thisFile, ";_{\sqcup}");
                                                              int timeHours = (int)floor(k*timeInterval/3600);
                                                              int timeMinutes = (int)((k*timeInterval)/60);
                                                               timeMinutes = timeMinutes%60;
                                                              char time[5];
                                                              sprintf(time, "%2d:%02d", timeHours, timeMinutes);
                                                              fprintf(thisFile, "];");
                                                              fclose(thisFile);
                                                              printf("d_{\square}remainingn", 288-k);
 //fprintf(thisFile,"\nh = surf(a)\n m = [0:9.17:2053*9.17]; \\ \nh = [1965*9.17:-9.17:0]; \\ \nh = surf(m, n, b, a); \\ \n
                               //Release all memory allocation
                               for(i = 0; i < numRows; i++)</pre>
                                                             free(ourData[i]);
                              free(ourData);
                              par_end();
                              return 0;
```

### Listing 2: ./orig\_code/azimuth.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include "tilt.h"

void azimuth(double *azimuth, double solarAlt, double latitude, double declination, int time){
    *azimuth = ((sin(solarAlt) * sin((latitude/180.0)*(4*atan(1)))) - sin(declination))/(cos(solarAlt)) * cos((latitude/180.0)*(interval time) * cos((lati
```

Listing 3: ./orig\_code/hourAngleTest.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdib.h>
#include <math.h>

#include "localHourAngle.h"

int main()
{
    int i = 0;
    double t =0.0;
```

### Listing 4: ./orig\_code/landReader.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include "landStruct.h"
#include "tilt.h"
LandData** extractData(char *inFileName, int* num_Cols, int* num_Rows)
         FILE *inFile;
          int numCols = 0;
          int numRows = 0;
          float xllcorner = 0.0;
          float yllcorner = 0.0;
          float cellsize = 0.0;
         float elevation = 0.0;
          //potential variables
         double thetaS = -106.0; //standard meridian longitude
         int i,j;
          //open the file to be read
         inFile = fopen(inFileName, "r");
          //make sure the file was opened
          if(inFile == NULL)
                   printf("Error, \_Cannot\_open\_file: \_ \%s \n", inFileName);
                   exit(1):
          //Read in variables from file
         //kea in variables from file fscanf(inFile, "%*s_{\square}%d", &numCols); fscanf(inFile, "%*s_{\square}%d", &numRows); fscanf(inFile, "%*s_{\square}%f", &xllcorner); fscanf(inFile, "%*s_{\square}%f", &yllcorner); fscanf(inFile, "%*s_{\square}%f", &cellsize);
         LandData** structMat = (LandData**)malloc(sizeof(LandData*)*(numRows));
         for(i = 0; i < numRows; i++)</pre>
                   structMat[i] = (LandData*)malloc(sizeof(LandData)*(numCols));
                   for(j = 0; j < numCols; j++)
                             fscanf(inFile, "%f", &elevation);
                             LandData temp;
                             temp.sizeX = cellsize;
temp.sizeY = cellsize;
                             temp.elevation = elevation;
                             /\!/ calculation \ of \ latitude
                             double latitude = (yllcorner + (numRows-(i+1))*cellsize)/6378100.0; //calculation of longitude
                             temp.latitude = latitude*180.0/(4*atan(1));
                                                                                         //convert the latitude to degrees
                             temp.thetaL = -106 + (xllcorner - ((j/2)-1))/(6378100.0 * cos(latitude));
                             temp.thetaS = thetaS;
                             structMat[i][j] = temp;
                   }
         }
          //Fill the secondary cells of matrix, used for triangular mesh
          for(i = 0; i < (numRows-1); i++)
                   for(j = 0; j < (numCols-1); j++)
                             //LandData temp;
```

```
LandData temp1;
                           LandData temp2;
                           LandData temp3;
                           \label{eq:continuity} \begin{tabular}{ll} // temp.elevation = structMat[i][j].elevation; \\ // temp.latitude = structMat[i][j].latitude; \\ \end{tabular}
                           //temp.thetaL = structMat[i][j].thetaL;
//temp.thetaS = thetaS;
                           //temp.sizeX = cellsize;
//temp.sizeY = cellsize;
                           temp1 = structMat[i][j+1];
                           temp2 = structMat[i+1][j];
temp3 = structMat[i][j];
                            // calculate the angles of each struct
                           //tilt(@temp, @temp1, @temp2, 0);
tilt(&temp3, &temp1, &temp2, 1);
                           //if(i == 0 88 j-1 == 0)

structMat[i][j] = temp3;

//structMat[i][j] = temp;
             }
fclose(inFile);
*num_Rows = numRows;
*num_Cols = numCols;
return structMat;
```

### Listing 5: ./orig\_code/localHourAngle.c

```
REU HPC Summer 2013
Program Purpose: Linear algebra Library.
Created by: Noll Roberts
On: 2013.06.20
Modified\ by:
On:
#include < stdio.h>
#include < stdlib.h>
#include < math.h>
#include"localHourAngle.h"
// see project.h
void localHourAngle( double *tau, double Ts, double deltaT1, double deltaT2, int timeStep)
  if(Ts<43200.0)
       *tau= ((Ts/3600)+12-deltaT1+deltaT2)*15*(4*atan(1)/180);
       else
  {
              *tau= ((Ts/3600)-12-deltaT1+deltaT2)*15*(4*atan(1)/180);
  //Ts+=timeStep;
  return;
```

Listing 6: ./orig\_code/parlib\_mpi.c

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <mpi.h>
#include "parlib.h"
//#include "parlib_mpi.h"
{\tt MPI\_Datatype}
  par_datatypes[] = { MPI_INT, MPI_FLOAT, MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_CHAR };
MPI_Op
  void par_start( int argc, char **argv, int* psize, int* prank ) {
  MPI_Init( &argc, &argv );
  *psize = par_size();
*prank = par_rank();
}
void par_end( ) {
  MPI_Finalize();
  exit(0);
}
int par_rank( ) {
  int my_rank;
  MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &my_rank);
  return my_rank;
int par_size( ) {
  int size;
  MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &size);
  return size;
}
double par_walltime( ) {
  return MPI_Wtime();
}
int par_send( void *buff, int size, int type, int dest, int tag ) {
  return MPI_Send( buff, size, par_datatypes[type], dest,
            tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD );
}
```

```
int par_recv( void* buff, int size, int type, int source, int tag ) {
  MPI Status status:
  }
int par_isend( void* buff, int size, int type, int dest, int tag, par_request *request ) {
  }
int par_irecv( void* buff, int size, int type, int source, int tag,
        par_request *request ) {
  return MPI_Irecv( buff, size, par_datatypes[type], source,
            tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, request);
}
int par_wait( par_request* request, par_status* status ) {
  return MPI_Wait( request, status );
}
int par_waitall( int count, par_request* request, par_status* status ) {
  return MPI_Waitall( count, request, status );
}
int par_waitany( int count, par_request* requests, int* index, par_status* status ) {
  return MPI_Waitany( count, requests, index, status );
}
int par_bcast( void* buff, int size, int type, int source ) {
  }
int par_reduce( void* inbuff, void* outbuff, int count, int datatype,
         int reduce_op, int root ) {
  return MPI_Reduce( inbuff, outbuff, count,
             par_datatypes[datatype],
             par_reduce_ops[reduce_op], root,
```

```
MPI_COMM_WORLD);

// ***********************

void par_barrier( ) {
    MPI_Barrier( MPI_COMM_WORLD );
}
```

## Listing 7: ./orig\_code/parlib.c

```
//
//
//
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <mpi.h>
#include "parlib.h"
// Include the implementation that is specific to the middleware, which
// currently is/are for the following:
// See Makefile for definitions, which can be overriden on the make command
// line.
// The MPI version
#if PAR_MPI == 1
#include "parlib_mpi.c"
#endif
```

### Listing 8: ./orig\_code/solarAltitude.c

### Listing 9: ./orig\_code/solarAltTest.c

```
int day = 172;
double time = 43200;
double sunDec = 0.0;
double timeDiff = 0.0;
double localHrAng = 0.0;
double solarAlt = 0.0;

sunDeclination(&sunDec, day);
timeDifference(&timeDiff, stdMer, longi);
localHourAngle(&localHrAng, time, timeDiff, 0.0, 0);

printf("vals_are:_\%f,_\%f\n", sunDec, localHrAng);
solarAltitude(&solarAlt, sunDec, lat*(4*atan(1)/180.0), localHrAng);
printf("solar_alt_\sis:_\%f\n", solarAlt*180/(4*atan(1)));
return 0;
}
```

### Listing 10: ./orig\_code/sunDeclination.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "sunDeclination.h"

void sunDeclination(double *delta, int day){
    *delta = ((23.45*4*atan(1))/180)*cos(((2*4*atan(1))/365)*(172-day));
    return;
}
```

## Listing 11: ./orig\_code/test.c

### Listing 12: ./orig\_code/tilt.c

}

## Listing 13: ./orig\_code/timeDifference.c

```
//Bill Matonte
//6.27.13
//REU SUMMER 2013
//timedifference.c
//This function finds the offset for the time of day for the solar cumilative
//radiation formula.
#include "timeDifference.h"
#include stdio.h>
//The Variables ThetaS and ThetaL with the pointer to the deltaT
//see timedifference.h
//thetaS = standard time meridian longitde of time zone
//thetaL = local longitude

void timeDifference(double* deltaT1, double thetaS,double thetaL)
{
          *deltaT1=-( thetaS-thetaL)/15.0;
          return;
}
```