

# Parallel Computing - MPI

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## Introduction

Documentation on MPI can be found **here**<sup>1</sup>.

There are two assignments available for this week. For each assignment a sequential program is available and listed in the appendices. These will form the basis for your solutions. Some assignments will impose some constraints you must comply to, these will mostly forbid modifications in (parts of) some files. These constraints are introduced as a form of a guideline on how to parallelise the programs. For every assignment a test is available on Nestor.

Before you can compile your code on the Peregrine cluster, you will first have to load one of the available modules of the cluster in order to use the MPI libraries and compilers. This is done using `module load foss/2016a`.

For these assignments it is recommended that you take a look at the PDF ‘MPI-lab-MultidimensionalArrays’.

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<sup>1</sup><http://www.mpi-forum.org/>

# 1 | Volume Rendering

This assignment is about rendering 3D objects. Rather, 2D projections of 3D objects. A couple of datasets are given, each of which contains the data obtained by a CT-scanner. The type of renderer that is implemented is a so-called *orthogonal maximum intensity projection*.

**Assignment:** A sequential program that solves the problem at hand is given and listed in appendix A.1 on page 4. You are asked to parallelise the program in any way you can think of.

**Constraints:** Modifications of the program should take place in `render.c`; the other files are not to be modified. Make sure only the process with *rank* = 0 accesses the file system.

**Minimum requirements:** Time your parallelised program for 1, 2, 4, 8, 12, 16 and 24 threads. Also time each process individually and determine the total computation time. Additionally, determine the real execution time. Run the program on both datasets (`footsmall` and `foot`).

## 2 | Wave

In a previous session, we solved the wave equation using OpenMP. We will now solve the wave equation using MPI. For convenience, the introductory text on the wave equation is given again below.

The wave equation is an important second-order linear partial differential equation that describes the propagation of a variety of waves, such as sound waves and water waves. It arises in fields such as acoustics and fluid dynamics.

In its simplest form, the 2D wave equation refers to a scalar function  $u(x, y, t)$  that satisfies the property given in equation 1, in which  $c$  is a fixed constant equal to the propagation speed of the wave. Furthermore, the first and second-order partial derivatives with respect to  $x$  are approximated in equations 2 and 3 respectively.

$$c^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, t)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, t)}{\partial y^2} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, t)}{\partial t^2} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial u(x, y, t)}{\partial x} \approx \frac{u(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}, y, t) - u(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2}, y, t)}{\Delta x}. \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u(x, y, t)}{\partial x} \right) \approx \frac{u(x + \Delta x, y, t) - 2u(x, y, t) + u(x - \Delta x, y, t)}{(\Delta x)^2}. \quad (3)$$

Introducing the discretisation  $u[i, j, k] = u(x_0 + i\Delta x, y_0 + j\Delta y, t_0 + k\Delta t)$  yields the result in equation 4.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, t)}{\partial x^2} \approx \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} (u[i + 1, j, k] - 2u[i, j, k] + u[i - 1, j, k]). \quad (4)$$

For the other second-order partial derivatives we do the same. We sample the grid with equal spatial resolution for  $x$  and  $y$  by introducing  $\Delta x = \Delta y = \delta$ . After substitution in equation 1 and some calculus we find the recurrence equation listed in equation 5, in which  $\lambda = \frac{c\Delta t}{\delta}$ .

$$u[i, j, k + 1] = \lambda^2 (u[i - 1, j, k] + u[i + 1, j, k] + u[i, j - 1, k] + u[i, j + 1, k] - 4u[i, j, k]) + 2u[i, j, k] - u[i, j, k - 1] \quad (5)$$

In order to achieve a stable approximation, it is necessary that  $|\lambda| \leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}$ . Also, the recurrence requires the initial values to be supplied:  $u[i, j, 0]$  and  $u[i, j, 1]$  for all  $i, j$ .

**Assignment:** A sequential program that solves the problem at hand is given and listed in appendix A.2 on page 8. You are asked to parallelise the program. Decide on how to distribute the data.

**Minimum requirements:** Time your parallelised program for 1, 2, 4, 8, 12, 16 and 24 threads. Also time each process individually and determine the total computation time. Additionally, determine the real execution time. Run the program on several different input values (see the README file on how to do so).

## A | Appendix

### A.1 | Volume Rendering

Compile the program using the `-O3` flag for strict optimisation options. Compilation can be done with the GNU compiler collection. Note that the program consists of three source files and two header files. Also note that the `image.c` and `image.h` files are interchangeable with those of the contrast stretching assignment, but not with those of the mandelbrot assignment. Running the program requires one argument:

`<executable> <input_volume>`

Once the program has returned a set of images, it suffices to run the `peregrine_makemovie` script to create a simple gif out of the separate frames.

`render.c`

```
1 // File: render.c
2 // Written by Arnold Meijster and Rob de Bruin.
3 // Restructured by Yannick Stoffers.
4 //
5 // A simple orthogonal maximum intensity projection volume render.
6
7 #include <stdio.h>
8 #include <stdlib.h>
9 #include <string.h>
10 #include <math.h>
11 #include "image.h"
12 #include "volume.h"
13
14 #define NFRAMES 360
15
16 void rotateVolume (double rotx, double roty, double rotz, Volume volume, Volume rotvolume)
17 {
18     // Rotate the volume around the x-axis with angle rotx, followed by a
19     // rotation around the y-axis with angle roty, and finally around the
20     // z-axis with angle rotz. The rotated volume is returned in rotvolume.
21     int i, j, k, xi, yi, zi;
22     int width = volume->width;
23     int height = volume->height;
24     int depth = volume->depth;
25     byte ***vol = volume->voldata;
26     byte ***rot = rotvolume->voldata;
27     double x, y, z;
28     double sinx, siny, sinz;
29     double cosx, cosy, cosz;
30
31     for (i = 0; i < depth; i++)
32         for (j = 0; j < height; j++)
33             for (k = 0; k < width; k++)
34                 rot[i][j][k] = 0;
35
36     sinx = sin (rotx); siny = sin (roty); sinz = sin (rotz);
37     cosx = cos (rotx); cosy = cos (roty); cosz = cos (rotz);
38     for (i = 0; i < depth; i++)
39     {
40         for (j = 0; j < height; j++)
41         {
42             for (k = 0; k < width; k++)
43             {
44                 xi = j - height / 2;
45                 yi = k - width / 2;
46                 zi = i - depth / 2;
47
48                 // Rotation around x-axis.
49                 x = (double)xi;
50                 y = (double)(yi * cosx + zi * sinx);
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51         z = (double)(zi * cosx - yi * sinx);
52         xi = (int)x;
53         yi = (int)y;
54         zi = (int)z;
55         // Rotation around y-axis.
56         x = (double)(xi * cosy + zi * siny);
57         y = (double)(yi);
58         z = (double)(zi * cosy - xi * siny);
59         xi = (int)x;
60         yi = (int)y;
61         zi = (int)z;
62
63         // Rotation around z-axis.
64         x = (double)(xi * cosz + yi * sinz);
65         y = (double)(yi * cosz - xi * sinz);
66         z = (double)zi;
67
68         xi = (int)(x + height / 2);
69         yi = (int)(y + width / 2);
70         zi = (int)(z + depth / 2);
71         if ((xi >= 0) && (xi < height) && (yi >= 0) && (yi < width) && (zi >= 0) && (zi <
            depth))
72             rot[zi][xi][yi] = vol[i][j][k];
73     }
74 }
75 }
76 }
77
78 void contrastStretch (int low, int high, Image image)
79 {
80     // Stretch the dynamic range of the image to the range [low..high].
81     int row, col, min, max;
82     int width = image->width, height = image->height, **im = image->imdata;
83     double scale;
84
85     // Determine minimum and maximum.
86     min = max = im[0][0];
87     for (row = 0; row < height; row++)
88     {
89         for (col = 0; col < width; col++)
90         {
91             min = im[row][col] < min ? im[row][col] : min;
92             max = im[row][col] > max ? im[row][col] : max;
93         }
94     }
95
96     // Compute scale factor.
97     scale = (double)(high - low) / (max - min);
98
99     // Stretch image.
100    for (row = 0; row < height; row++)
101        for (col = 0; col < width; col++)
102            im[row][col] = (int)(scale * (im[row][col] - min));
103 }
104
105 void orthoGraphicRenderer (Volume volume, Image image)
106 {
107     // Render image from volume (othographic maximum intensity projection).
108     int i, j, k;
109     int width = volume->width;
110     int height = volume->height;
111     int depth = volume->depth;
112     int **im = image->imdata;
113     byte ***vol = volume->voldata;
114
115     for (i = 0; i < height; i++)

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116     for (j = 0; j < width; j++)
117         im[i][j] = 0;
118
119     for (i=0; i<depth; i++)
120         for (j=0; j<height; j++)
121             for (k=0; k<width; k++)
122                 im[j][k] += vol[i][j][k];
123
124     contrastStretch (0, 255, image);
125 }
126
127 void smoothImage (Image image, Image smooth)
128 {
129     int width = image->width, height = image->height;
130     int **im = image->imdata, **sm = smooth->imdata;
131     int i, j, ii, jj, sum, cnt;
132
133     for (i = 0; i < height; i++)
134     {
135         for (j = 0; j < width; j++)
136         {
137             cnt = 0;
138             sum = 0;
139             for (ii = i-1; ii <= i+1; ii++)
140             {
141                 if ((ii >= 0) && (ii < height))
142                 {
143                     for (jj = j-1; jj <= j+1; jj++)
144                     {
145                         if ((jj >= 0) && (jj < width) && (im[ii][jj] != 0))
146                         {
147                             cnt++;
148                             sum += im[ii][jj];
149                         }
150                     }
151                 }
152             }
153             sm[i][j] = cnt == 0 ? 0 : sum / cnt;
154         }
155     }
156 }
157
158 void computeFrame(int frame, double rotx, double roty, double rotz, Volume vol, Volume rot, Image
    image, Image smooth)
159 {
160     char fnm[256];
161     rotateVolume (rotx, roty, rotz, vol, rot);
162     orthoGraphicRenderer (rot, image);
163     smoothImage (image, smooth);
164     sprintf (fnm, "frame%04d.pgm", frame);
165     writeImage (smooth, fnm);
166 }
167
168 int main (int argc, char **argv)
169 {
170     int width, height, depth;
171     Volume vol, rot;
172     Image im, smooth;
173     int frame;
174     double rotx, roty, rotz;
175
176     if (argc != 2)
177     {
178         fprintf (stderr, "Usage: %s <volume.vox>\n", argv[0]);
179         exit (EXIT_FAILURE);
180     }

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181     vol = readVolume (argv[1]);
182     width = vol->width;
183     height = vol->height;
184     depth = vol->depth;
185     rot = makeVolume (width, height, depth);
186
187
188     im = makeImage (width, height);
189     smooth = makeImage (width, height);
190
191     // Compute frames.
192     for (frame = 0; frame < NFRAMES; frame++)
193     {
194         rotx = roty = rotz = 0;
195         switch (3 * frame / NFRAMES)
196         {
197             case 0:
198                 rotx = 6 * 3.1415927 * frame / NFRAMES;
199                 break;
200             case 1:
201                 roty = 6 * 3.1415927 * frame / NFRAMES;
202                 break;
203             case 2:
204                 rotz = 6 * 3.1415927 * frame / NFRAMES;
205                 break;
206         }
207         computeFrame (frame, rotx, roty, rotz, vol, rot, im, smooth);
208     }
209
210     freeVolume (rot);
211     freeVolume (vol);
212     freeImage (im);
213     freeImage (smooth);
214
215     return EXIT_SUCCESS;
216 }

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## A.2 | Wave

Compile the program using the `-O3` flag for strict optimisation options. Compilation can be done using the GNU compiler collection. See the `README` file for execution instructions.

Once the program has returned a set of images as result, it suffices to run the `peregrine_makemovie` script to create a simple movie out of the separate frames.

wave.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <sys/time.h>
4  #include <math.h>
5  #include "waveio.h"
6
7  typedef float real;
8  typedef unsigned char byte;
9
10 #define ABS(a) ((a)<0 ? -(a) : (a))
11
12 static real ***initialize (int N, int NFRAMES, real dx, real *dt, real v, int nsrc, int **src, int
    **ampl);
13 static void boundary (real ***u, int N, int iter, int nsrc, int *src, int *ampl, real timespacing);
14 static void solveWave (real ***u, int N, int NFRAMES, int nsrc, int *src, int *ampl, real
    gridspacing, real timespacing, real speed);
15
16 static real ***initialize (int N, int NFRAMES, real dx, real *dt, real v, int nsrc, int **src, int
    **ampl)
17 {
18     real ***u;
19     int i, j, k;
20     real lambda;
21
22     // Determine lambda, adjust timespacing if needed.
23     lambda = v * *dt / dx;
24     if (lambda > 0.5 * sqrt(2))
25     {
26         fprintf (stdout, "Error: Convergence criterion is violated.\n");
27         fprintf (stdout, "speed * timespacing / gridspacing = ");
28         fprintf (stdout, "%lf * %lf / %lf = %f > 0.5 * sqrt(2)\n", v, *dt, dx, lambda);
29         *dt = (real)(dx * sqrt (2) / (2 * v));
30         fprintf (stdout, "Timestep changed into: timespacing=%lf\n", *dt);
31         fflush (stdout);
32     }
33
34     // Draw n random locations of wave sources.
35     srand (time (NULL)); // Initialize random generator with time.
36     *src = malloc (2 * nsrc * sizeof (int));
37     *ampl = malloc (nsrc * sizeof (int));
38     for (i = 0; i < nsrc; i++)
39     {
40         (*src)[2 * i] = random () % N;
41         (*src)[2 * i + 1] = random () % N;
42         (*ampl)[i] = 1; // Change this to modify the amplitude of the waves.
43     }
44
45     // Allocate memory for u.
46     u = malloc (NFRAMES * sizeof (real **));
47     for (k = 0; k < NFRAMES; k++)
48     {
49         u[k] = malloc (N * sizeof (real *));
50         u[k][0] = malloc (N * N * sizeof (real));
51         for (i = 1; i < N; i++)
52             u[k][i] = &(u[k][0][i * N]);
53     }
54 }
```



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55 // Initialize first two time steps.
56 for (i = 0; i < N; i++)
57     for (j = 0; j < N; j++)
58         u[0][i][j] = 0;
59
60 for (i = 0; i < N; i++)
61     for (j = 0; j < N; j++)
62         u[1][i][j] = 0;
63
64 return u;
65 }
66
67 static void boundary (real ***u, int N, int iter, int nsrc, int *src, int *ampl, real timespacing)
68 {
69     // Initialise new frame by inserting boundary values and wave sources.
70     int i, j;
71     real t = iter * timespacing;
72
73     for (i = 0; i < N; i++)
74         for (j = 0; j < N; j++)
75             u[iter][i][j] = 0;
76
77     for (i = 0; i < nsrc; i++)
78         u[iter][src[2 * i]][src[2 * i + 1]] = (real)(ampl[i] * sin (t));
79 }
80
81 static void solveWave (real ***u, int N, int NFRAMES, int nsrc, int *src, int *ampl, real
82     gridspacing, real timespacing, real speed)
83 {
84     // Computes all NFRAMES consecutive frames.
85     real sqlambda;
86     int i, j, iter;
87     sqlambda = speed * timespacing / gridspacing;
88     sqlambda = sqlambda * sqlambda;
89
90     for (iter = 2; iter < NFRAMES; iter++)
91     {
92         boundary (u, N, iter, nsrc, src, ampl, timespacing);
93         for (i = 1; i < N - 1; i++)
94             for (j = 1; j < N - 1; j++)
95                 u[iter][i][j] += sqlambda * (u[iter - 1][i + 1][j] + u[iter - 1][i - 1][j] + u[iter - 1][i][j + 1] + u[iter - 1][i][j - 1]) + (2 - 4 * sqlambda) * u[iter - 1][i][j] - u[iter - 2][i][j];
96     }
97 }
98
99 int main (int argc, char **argv)
100 {
101     real ***u; // Holds the animation data.
102     int N, NFRAMES; // Dimensions and amount of frames.
103     int *src = NULL; // Source coordinates.
104     int *ampl = NULL; // Amplitudes of sources.
105     int n; // Number of sources.
106     int bw; // Colour(=0) or greyscale(=1) frames.
107     real dt; // Time spacing (delta time).
108     real dx; // Grid spacing (distance between grid cells).
109     real v; // Velocity of waves.
110
111     struct timeval start, end;
112     double fstart, fend;
113
114     // Default values.
115     n = 10; // Number of sources.
116     bw = 0; // Black and white disabled.
117     NFRAMES = 100; // Number of images/frames.
118     N = 300; // Grid cells (width,height).

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118 dt = 0.1;      // Timespacing.
119 dx = 0.1;      // Gridspacing.
120 v = 0.5;       // Wave velocity.
121
122 // Parse command line options.
123 parseIntOpt (argc, argv, "-f", &NFRAMES);
124 parseIntOpt (argc, argv, "-src", &n);
125 parseIntOpt (argc, argv, "-bw", &bw);
126 parseIntOpt (argc, argv, "-n", &N);
127 parseRealOpt (argc, argv, "-t", &dt);
128 parseRealOpt (argc, argv, "-g", &dx);
129 parseRealOpt (argc, argv, "-s", &v);
130
131 // Init.
132 u = initialize (N, NFRAMES, dx, &dt, v, n, &src, &ampl);
133
134 // Start timer.
135 fprintf (stdout, "Computing waves\n");
136 gettimeofday (&start, NULL);
137
138 // Render all frames.
139 solveWave (u, N, NFRAMES, n, src, ampl, dx, dt, v);
140
141 // Stop timer; compute flop/s.
142 gettimeofday (&end, NULL);
143 fstart = (start.tv_sec * 1000000.0 + start.tv_usec) / 1000000.0;
144 fend = (end.tv_sec * 1000000.0 + end.tv_usec) / 1000000.0;
145 fprintf (stdout, "wallclock: %lf seconds (ca. %5.2lf Gflop/s)\n", fend - fstart, (9.0 * N * N *
    NFRAMES / (fend - fstart)) / (1024 * 1024 * 1024));
146
147 // Save separate images.
148 fprintf (stdout, "Saving frames\n");
149 stretchContrast (u, N, NFRAMES);
150 saveFrames (u, N, NFRAMES, bw);
151
152 fprintf (stdout, "Done\n");
153 return EXIT_SUCCESS;
154 }

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