

Galaxy formation and evolution in the IGIMF theory

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Introduction

The initial distribution of stellar masses as the outcome of star formation is a fundamentally important key for understanding the evolution of stellar systems on star-cluster and galaxy scales. [?].

The stellar initial mass function ($IMF, \xi(m)$) describes the distribution of masses of stars, whereby $dN = \xi(m)dm$ is the number of stars formed in the mass interval $m, m + dm$. It is one of the most important distribution functions in astrophysics as stellar evolution is generally determined by the mass of the stars. The IMF therefore regulates the chemical enrichment history of galaxies, as well as their mass-to-light ratios and influences their dynamical evolution.[?]

Theoretically unexpected, the IMF is found to be invariant through a large range of conditions like gas densities and metallicities (Kroupa 2001, 2002; Chabrier 2003; Elmegreen et al. 2008; Bastian et al. 2010; Kroupa et al. 2013) and is well described by the canonical IMF (Appendix B).

Though, it has to be kept in mind that often the concept of an universal IMF is understood as a constant slope of the IMF, ignoring the upper and lower mass limits. As the slope (for stellar masses above $1M_{\odot}$) has been found to be constant (within the uncertainties) for star clusters in the Milky Way and the Magellanic clouds (Kroupa 2002; Massey 2003), an invariant IMF is widely used to not only describe individual star clusters but also stellar populations of whole galaxies.

But, the question remains whether the IMF, derived from and tested on star cluster scales, is the appropriate stellar distribution function for complex stellar populations like galaxies.

In this context, it has emerged that if all the stars in a galaxy form with a canonical IMF 1 and all these IMFs of all star-forming events (spatially and temporally correlated star formation events/CSFE) are added up the resulting integrated galactic initial mass function of stars (IGIMF) differs substantially from the canonical IMF. It should be pointed out here that the principal concept of the IGIMF - the

galaxy-wide IMF (= IGIMF) of a galaxy is always the sum of all star-formation events within a galaxy - is in any case always true.

The ingredients for the IGIMF as applied here are listed as follows:

- The IMF, $\xi(m)$, within star clusters is assumed to be canonical (see Appendix B),
- the CSFEs populate an embedded-cluster mass function (ECMF), which is assumed to be a power-law of the form,
 $\xi_{ecl}(M_{ecl}) = dN/dM_{ecl} \propto M_{ecl}^{-\beta}$
- the relation between the most-massive star in a cluster, m_{max} , and the stellar mass of the embedded cluster, M_{ecl} (Weidner Kroupa 2004, 2006; Weidner et al. 2010),
- the relation between the star-formation rate (SFR) of a galaxy and the most-massive young (< 10 Myr) star cluster, $\log_{10}(M_{ecl,max}) = 0.746 \times \log_{10}(SFR) + 4.93$ (Weidner et al. 2004).

1 The universal IMF

The available constraints can be conveniently summarized by the multiple-part power-law IMF (see Kroupa 2001b for details),

$$\xi(m) \propto m^{-\alpha_i}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_0 &= +0.3 \pm 0.7, 0.01 \leq \frac{m}{M_\odot} \leq 0.08, \\ \alpha_1 &= +1.3 \pm 0.5, 0.08 \leq \frac{m}{M_\odot} \leq 0.50, \\ \alpha_2 &= +2.3 \pm 0.3, 0.5 \leq \frac{m}{M_\odot} \leq 1.00, \\ \alpha_3 &= +2.3 \pm 0.7, 1.00 \leq \frac{m}{M_\odot}, \end{aligned}$$

and $\xi(m)dm$ is the number of single stars in the mass interval m to $m + dm$. The uncertainties correspond approximately to 99 percent confidence intervals for $m \geq 0.5M_\odot$, and to a 95 percent confidence interval for $1 - 0.5M_\odot$. Below $0.08M_\odot$ the confidence range is not well determined.

2 THE $m_{max} - M_{ecl}$ RELATION

The $m_{max} - M_{ecl}$ relation, as shown in Fig.1 has been analytically presented in Weidner Kroupa (2004), observationally established by Weidner Kroupa (2006) and refined in Weidner et al. (2010), while already briefly theoretically discussed in Reddish (1978).

It signifies that the typical upper mass limit to which the IMF is sampled, m_{max} , changes systematically with the stellar mass of the cluster, M_{ecl} . For the clusters for which the number of stars above a mass limit or within a mass range are given in the literature, the cluster mass, M_{ecl} , is calculated by assuming a canonical IMF from 0.01 to $150M_\odot$ and extrapolating to the total population from the observational mass limits.

2.1 The maximum stellar mass and cluster formation

Assuming the stellar IMF is a continuous density distribution function and that clusters are filled with stars distributed according to the stellar IMF, this can be generalized by stating that each cluster can have only one most massive star,

$$1 = \int_{m_{max}}^{m_{max}^*} \xi(m') dm', \quad (1)$$

with,

$$M_{ecl}(m_{max}) = \int_{m_{low}}^{m_{max}} m' \xi(m') dm', \quad (2)$$

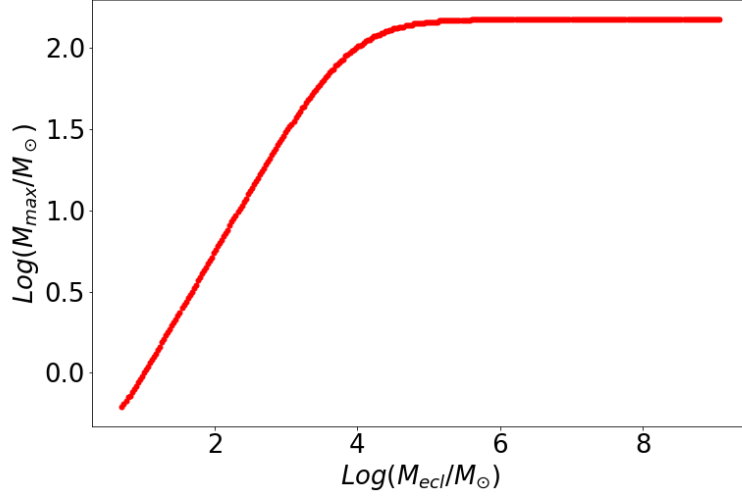


Figure 1: The mass of the most-massive star (m_{max}) in an embedded cluster versus the stellar mass of the young dynamically un-evolved "embedded" cluster (M_{ecl}). The solid lines through the data points are the analytical $m_{max} - M_{ecl}$ relation when using a fundamental upper mass limit, $m_{max,*}$, of $150M_{\odot}$.

as a further condition, as above. These two equations need to be solved numerically and give the semi-analytical relation $m_{max} = \eta(M_{ecl})$ (Weidner & Kroupa 2004). It is plotted in fig.1. A compilation of clusters from the literature for which the cluster mass and the initial mass of the heaviest star can be estimated (Weidner & Kroupa 2006) shows that the cluster mass indeed appears to have a limiting influence on the stellar mass within it. The observational data are plotted in Fig. 2, finding rather excellent agreement with the semi-analytical description above.

3 The maximum stellar mass and cluster formation

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$$1 = \int_{m_{max}}^{m_{max*}} \xi(m') dm', \quad (3)$$

with,

$$M_{ecl}(m_{max}) = \int_{m_{low}}^{m_{max}} m' \xi(m') dm', \quad (4)$$

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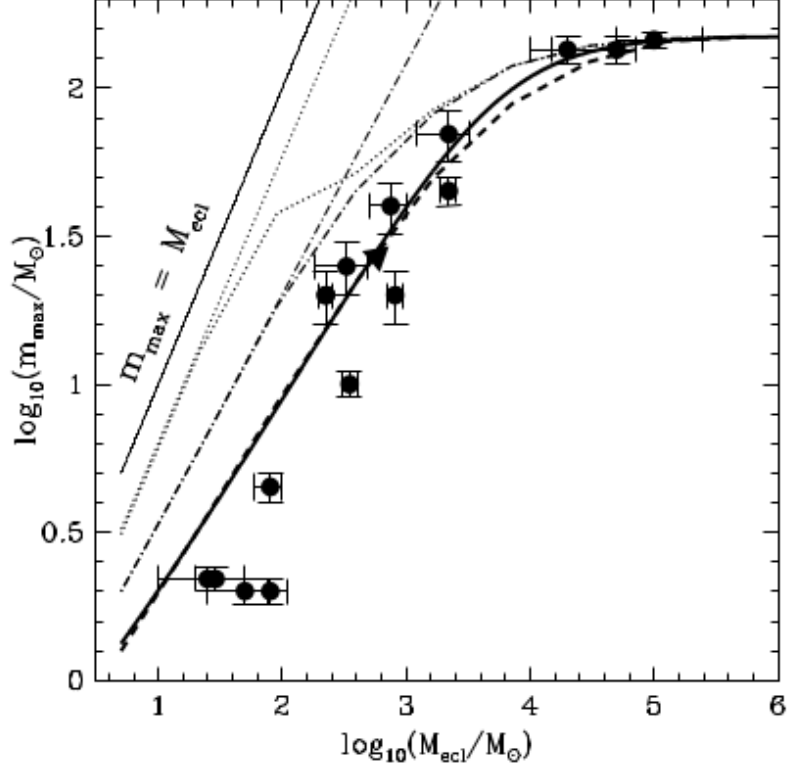


Figure 2: The thick solid line shows the dependence of the mass of the most- massive star in a cluster on the cluster mass according to the semi-analytical model. The thick dashed line shows the mean maximum stellar mass for sorted sampling. The dot-dashed lines are mass-constrained random-sampling results with a physical upper mass limit of $m_{max*} = 150M_{\odot}$ (thick line) and 10^6M_{\odot} (thin line). Pure random sampling models are plotted as dotted lines. The thick one is sampled to $m_{max*} = 150M_{\odot}$ while the thin one up to 10^6M_{\odot} . The thin solid line shows the identity relation, where a “cluster” consists only of one star. The dots with error bars are observed clusters, while the triangle is a result from a star-formation simulation with an SPH code (Bonnell et al.2003). Taken from Weidner Kroupa (2006).

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5 Two-dimensional diffusion equation

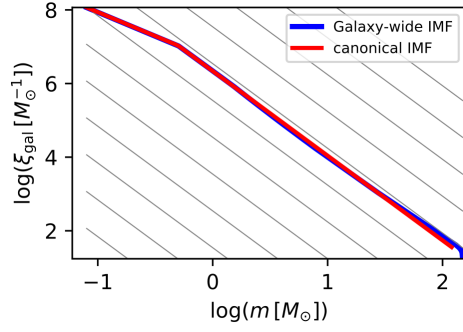
6 Results for two-dimensional heat equation

6.1 The case of constant diffusion coefficient

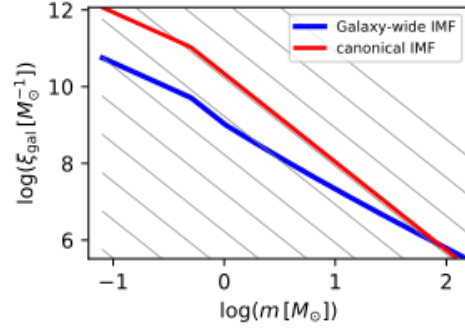
In the previous sections we have found that the CG algorithm are much more efficient than the direct methods such as LU decomposition, so all the simulation for the two-dimensional equation have been done using CG method.

After 10 steps we will have figure 8b. There is also an animation accessible at:
<http://www.github.com/>.

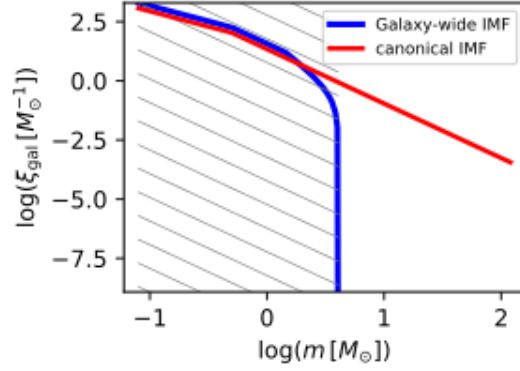
In this case (constant diffusion coefficient), it is clear that the diffusion process is symmetric.



(a) $\text{SFR}=1, [\frac{F_e}{H}] = 0$



(b) $\text{SFR}=10^4, [\frac{F_e}{H}] = 0$



(c) $\text{SFR}=10^{-5}, [\frac{F_e}{H}] = 0$

Figure 3: rebuild of A selection of IGIMF models which related to metallicity (in form of $[\frac{F_e}{H}]=1,0,-3,-5$) and $\text{SFR}=10^{-5}, 1, 10^4 \frac{M_\odot}{\text{yr}}$. All IMF models are normalized to the total stellar mass formed over $\delta t = 10 \text{ Myr}$ to make the comparison with the canonical IMF (black dashed line in each panel) quantitative.

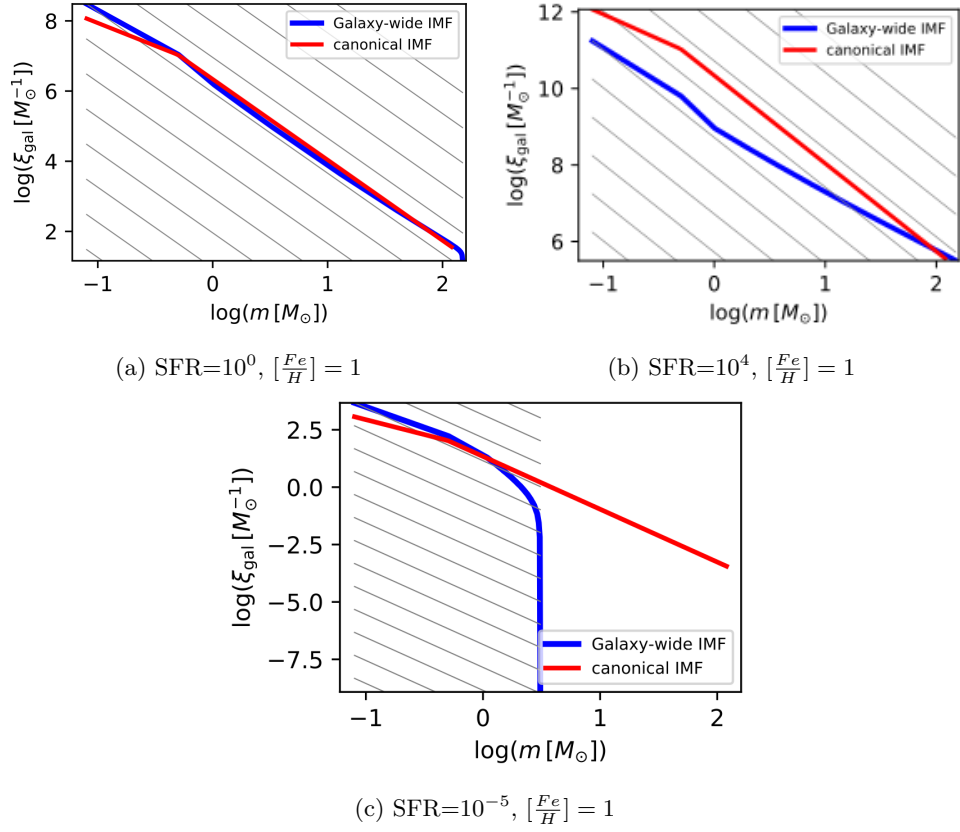


Figure 4: rebuild of A selection of IGIMF models which related to metallicity (in form of $[\frac{Fe}{H}]=1,0,-3,-5$) and $\text{SFR}=10^{-5}, 1, 10^4 \frac{M_{\odot}}{\text{yr}}$. All IMF models are normalized to the total stellar mass formed over $\delta t = 10 \text{ Myr}$ to make the comparison with the canonical IMF (black dashed line in each panel) quantitative.

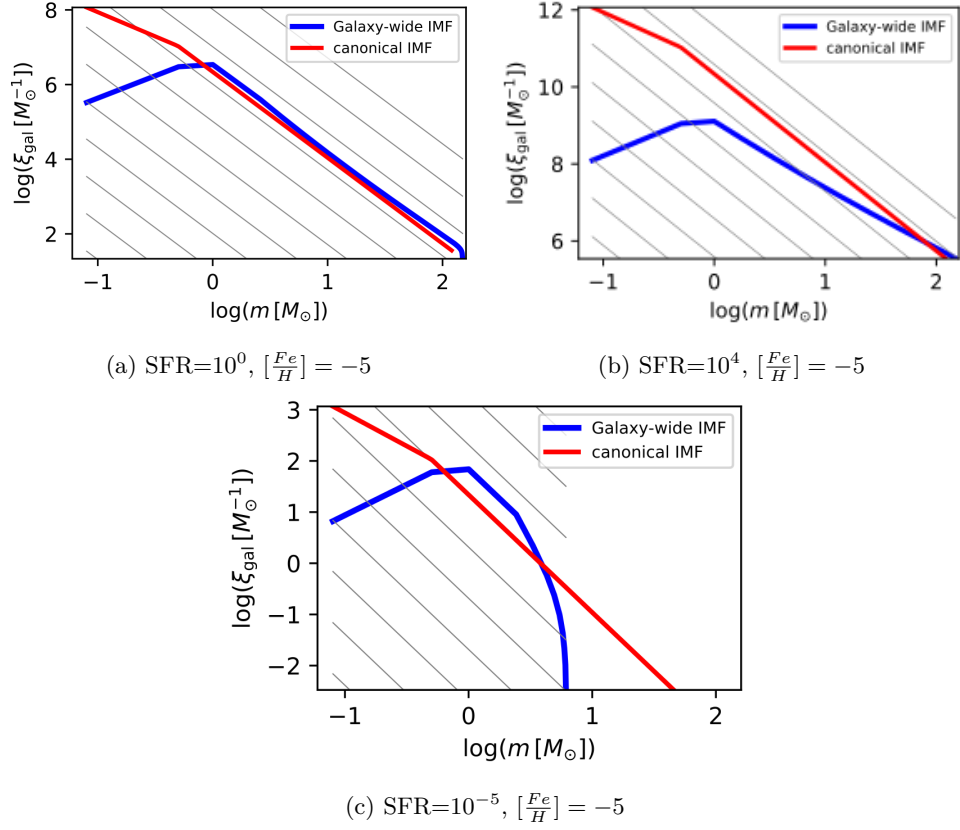


Figure 5: rebuild of A selection of IGIMF models which related to metalicity (in form of $[\frac{Fe}{H}]=1,0,-3,-5$) and $\text{SFR}=10^{-5}, 1, 10^4 \frac{M_{\odot}}{\text{yr}}$. All IMF models are normalized to the total stellar mass formed over $\delta t = 10 \text{ Myr}$ to make the comparison with the canonical IMF (black dashed line in each panel) quantitative.

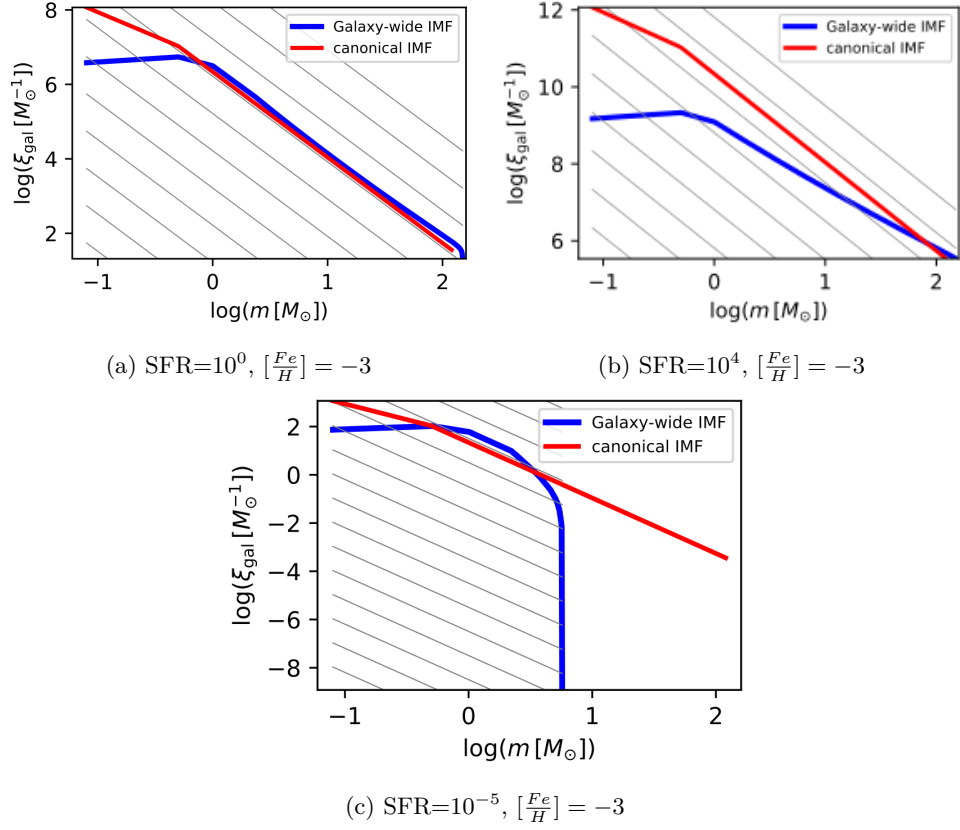


Figure 6: rebuild of A selection of IGIMF models which related to metallicity (in form of $[\frac{Fe}{H}]=-3$) and $\text{SFR}=10^{-5}, 1, 10^4 \frac{M_{\odot}}{\text{yr}}$. All IMF models are normalized to the total stellar mass formed over $\delta t = 10 \text{ Myr}$ to make the comparison with the canonical IMF (black dashed line in each panel) quantitative.

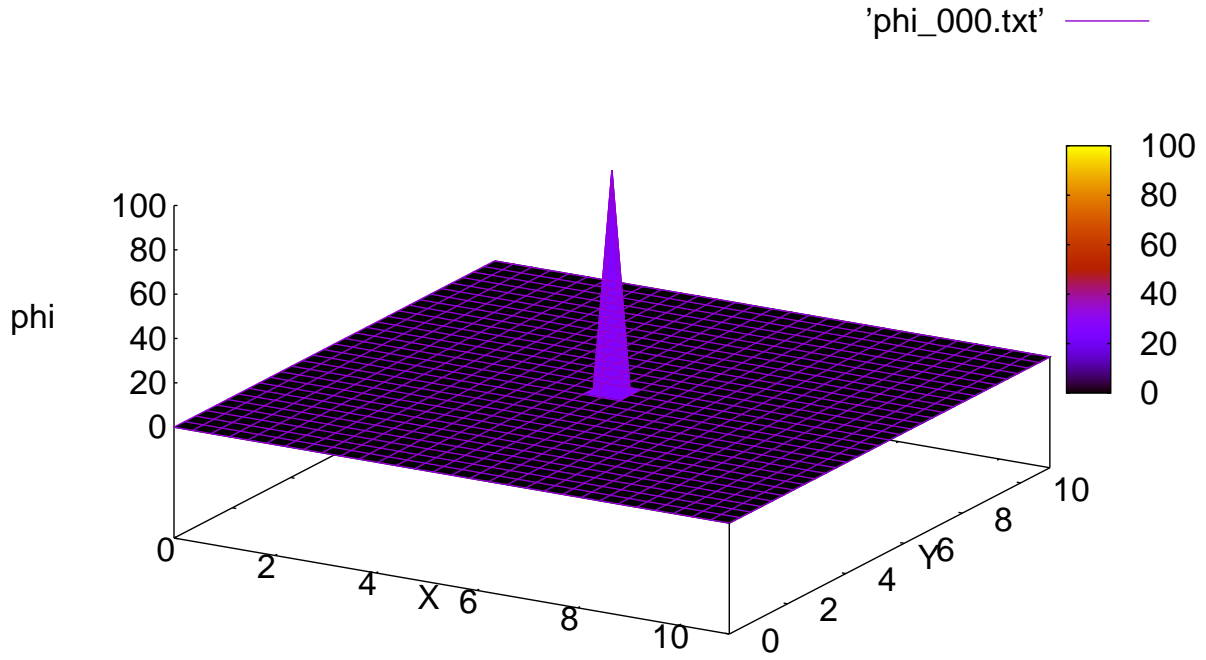


Figure 7: initial condition for the 2D heat problem

6.2 The case of random diffusion coefficient

The initial conditions of this case is the same as the initial condition for the constant diffusion coefficient (figure 7).

In contrast with the case of the constant diffusion coefficient, because of those random points which will not diffuse ($D(\vec{r}^*) = 0$), here the distribution of ϕ is not symmetric.

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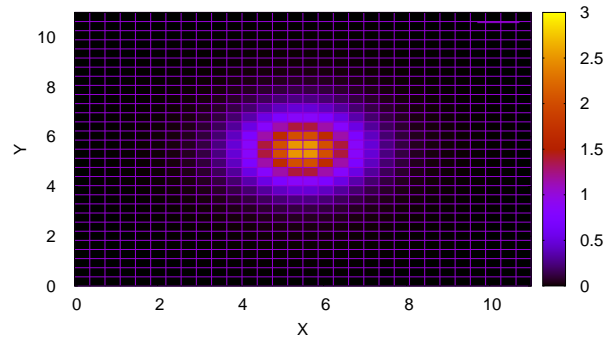
As computer architecture advanced, it became more difficult to compare the performance of various computer systems simply by looking at their specifications. Therefore, tests were developed that allowed comparison of different architectures. For example, Pentium 4 processors generally operated at a higher clock frequency than Athlon XP or PowerPC processors, which did not necessarily translate to more computational power; a processor with a slower clock frequency might perform as well as or even better than a processor operating at a higher frequency ¹.

Benchmarks are designed to mimic a particular type of workload on a component or system. Benchmarking is usually associated with assessing performance characteristics of computer hardware, for example, the floating point operation performance of a CPU.

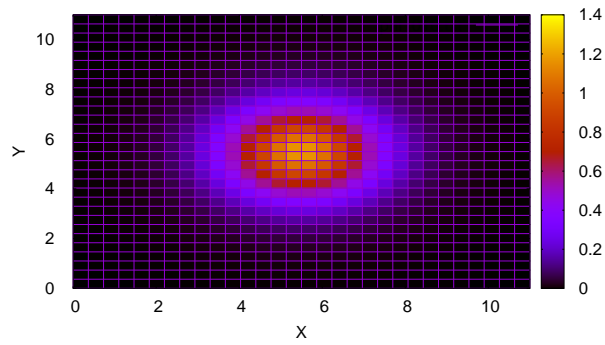
PARKBENCH

The PARKBENCH (PARallel Kernels and BENCHmarks) committee, originally called the Parallel Benchmark Working Group (PBWG) was founded at Supercomputing '92 in Minneapolis, when a group

¹The megahertz myth, or less commonly the gigahertz myth, refers to the misconception of only using clock rate (for example measured in megahertz or gigahertz) to compare the performance of different microprocessors.

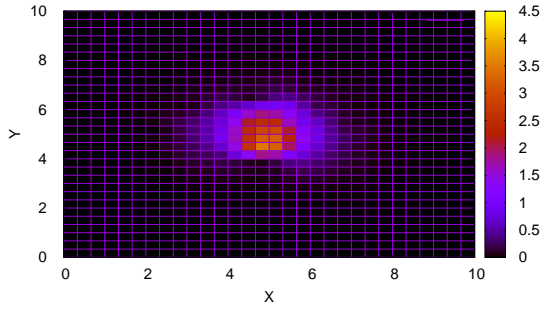


(a) the heat distribution map after 5 timesteps for the 2D heat problem

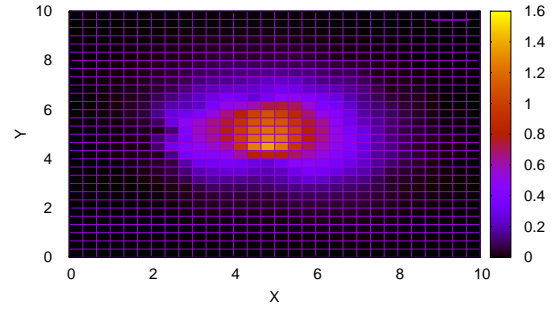


(b) the heat distribution map after 10 timesteps for the 2D heat problem

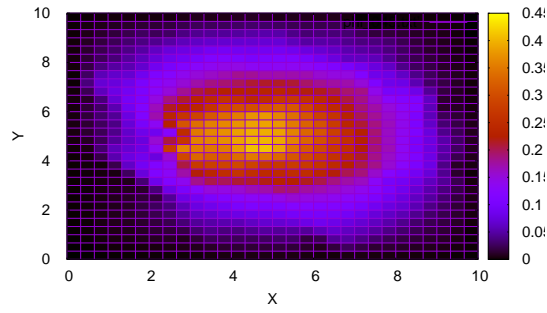
Figure 8: solving two-dimensional heat equation using CG method.



(a) the heat distribution map after 5 timesteps for the 2D heat problem



(b) the heat distribution map after 15 timesteps for the 2D heat problem



(c) the heat distribution map after 45 timesteps for the 2D heat problem

Figure 9: solving two-dimensional heat equation using CG method.

of about 50 people interested in computer benchmarking met under the joint initiative of Tony Hey and Jack Dongarra, and the chairmanship of Roger Hockney. The objectives of the PARKBENCH group are;

- To establish a comprehensive set of parallel benchmarks that is generally accepted by both users and vendors of parallel systems.
- To provide a focus for parallel benchmark activities and avoid unnecessary duplication of effort and proliferation of benchmarks.
- To set standards for benchmarking methodology and result-reporting together with a control database/repository for both the benchmarks and the results.
- To make the benchmarks and results freely available in the public domain.

Further information on PARKBENCH may be obtained at:
<http://www.netlib.org/parkbench> .

NAS Parallel Benchmarks

NAS Parallel Benchmarks (NPB) are a set of benchmarks targeting performance evaluation of highly parallel supercomputers. The NAS Parallel Benchmarks (NPB) are a small set of programs designed to help evaluate the performance of parallel supercomputers. They are developed and maintained by the NASA Advanced Supercomputing (NAS) Division (formerly the NASA Numerical Aerodynamic Simulation Program) based at the NASA Ames Research Center. The benchmarks are derived from computational fluid dynamics (CFD) applications and consist of five kernels and three pseudo-applications. The benchmark suite has been extended to include new benchmarks for unstructured adaptive meshes, parallel I/O, multi-zone applications, and computational grids.

The original eight benchmarks specified in NPB 1 mimic the computation and data movement in CFD applications:

- IS - Integer Sort, random memory access
- EP - Embarrassingly Parallel
- CG - Conjugate Gradient, irregular memory access and communication
- MG - Multi-Grid on a sequence of meshes, long- and short-distance communication, memory intensive
- FT - discrete 3D fast Fourier Transform, all-to-all communication
- BT - Block Tri-diagonal solver
- SP - Scalar Penta-diagonal solver
- LU - Lower-Upper Gauss-Seidel solver

and there are several other benchmarks for unstructured computation, parallel I/O, and data movement. As of NPB 3.3, eleven benchmarks are defined. Further information on NAS may be obtained at:
www.nas.nasa.gov/publications/npb.html .

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