

Result Analysis

Purpose: Discuss Results: 1) Analysis of the effectiveness of your parallelization. 2) Possible performance improvement of your program 3) Limitations of your program.

The results ran from different computer configuration as shown below:

Result from 4-CPU PC	Result from 2-CPU PC
Architecture: x86_64 CPU op-mode(s): 32-bit, 64-bit Byte Order: Little Endian CPU(s): 4	Architecture: x86_64 CPU op-mode(s): 32-bit, 64-bit Byte Order: Little Endian CPU(s): 2
<pre> yinkaihua@ubuntu:~/uwb\$./convex 100 do you want to display initial data? n elapsed time = 957 do you want to display result data? y point[47].x = 7739.000000 .y = 12.000000 point[72].x = 9503.000000 .y = 19.000000 point[27].x = 9956.000000 .y = 1873.000000 point[45].x = 9932.000000 .y = 5060.000000 point[74].x = 9708.000000 .y = 6715.000000 point[28].x = 6862.000000 .y = 9170.000000 point[99].x = 5928.000000 .y = 9529.000000 point[15].x = 3929.000000 .y = 9802.000000 point[64].x = 709.000000 .y = 8927.000000 point[32].x = 336.000000 .y = 6505.000000 point[85].x = 124.000000 .y = 4914.000000 point[53].x = 97.000000 .y = 2902.000000 point[33].x = 846.000000 .y = 1729.000000 point[50].x = 795.000000 .y = 570.000000 point[5].x = 2362.000000 .y = 27.000000 yinkaihua@ubuntu:~/uwb\$./convex_mp 100 4 do you want to display initial data? n elapsed time = 1496 do you want to display result data? y point[47].x = 7739.000000 .y = 12.000000 point[72].x = 9503.000000 .y = 19.000000 point[27].x = 9956.000000 .y = 1873.000000 point[45].x = 9932.000000 .y = 5060.000000 point[74].x = 9708.000000 .y = 6715.000000 point[28].x = 6862.000000 .y = 9170.000000 point[99].x = 5928.000000 .y = 9529.000000 point[15].x = 3929.000000 .y = 9802.000000 point[64].x = 709.000000 .y = 8927.000000 point[32].x = 336.000000 .y = 6505.000000 point[85].x = 124.000000 .y = 4914.000000 point[53].x = 97.000000 .y = 2902.000000 point[33].x = 846.000000 .y = 1729.000000 </pre>	<pre> [zhengsq@csslabs os1]\$./convex 100 do you want to display initial data? n elapsed time = 377 do you want to display result data? y point[47].x = 7739.000000 .y = 12.000000 point[72].x = 9503.000000 .y = 19.000000 point[27].x = 9956.000000 .y = 1873.000000 point[45].x = 9932.000000 .y = 5060.000000 point[74].x = 9708.000000 .y = 6715.000000 point[28].x = 6862.000000 .y = 9170.000000 point[99].x = 5928.000000 .y = 9529.000000 point[15].x = 3929.000000 .y = 9802.000000 point[64].x = 709.000000 .y = 8927.000000 point[32].x = 336.000000 .y = 6505.000000 point[85].x = 124.000000 .y = 4914.000000 point[53].x = 97.000000 .y = 2902.000000 point[33].x = 846.000000 .y = 1729.000000 point[50].x = 795.000000 .y = 570.000000 point[5].x = 2362.000000 .y = 27.000000 [zhengsq@csslabs os1]\$./convex_mp 100 4 do you want to display initial data? n elapsed time = 1115 do you want to display result data? y point[47].x = 7739.000000 .y = 12.000000 point[72].x = 9503.000000 .y = 19.000000 point[27].x = 9956.000000 .y = 1873.000000 point[45].x = 9932.000000 .y = 5060.000000 point[74].x = 9708.000000 .y = 6715.000000 point[28].x = 6862.000000 .y = 9170.000000 point[99].x = 5928.000000 .y = 9529.000000 point[15].x = 3929.000000 .y = 9802.000000 point[64].x = 709.000000 .y = 8927.000000 point[32].x = 336.000000 .y = 6505.000000 point[85].x = 124.000000 .y = 4914.000000 point[53].x = 97.000000 .y = 2902.000000 point[33].x = 846.000000 .y = 1729.000000 </pre>

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Compare two results set, we can see, the number of CPUs matters a lot when executing multiple processes, when going up to 4 processes, it seems that the time spent by 2-CPU computer is much more than executing 2 processes itself, it's because one core only can execute one process at one time, for 2 core PC, the best way making full use of it is to execute 2 processes at the same time. Whereas, as shown above, the 4-CPU computer performances very well when taking on 4 tasks at the same time.

From the statistics the 4-CPU computer provides, for 20000 points,

Leaves	1	2	4
time	204014	115311	65547
Performance improvement		1.77	3.11

Another thought is, multiple processes may improve performance when computing big data set, for small data set, single process may work better, because change between kernel mode and user mode would add to overhead, which is another concern. As statistics shown for 100 points, 4 process approach reduce the performance, contrary to single process approach.

To sum up, the modified program may performance better on big data set, with enough CPUs supported.