

A short course on object-oriented numerics

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plan for today: yet more libraries

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Example 6: Boost.MPI basics

Boost.MPI

<http://boost.org/libs/mpi/>

```
1 #include <boost/mpi.hpp>
2 #include <iostream>
3
4 int main()
5 {
6     boost::mpi::environment env;
7     boost::mpi::communicator com;
8
9     std::ostringstream tmp;
10    tmp
11        << com.rank() << "/"
12        << com.size() << std::endl;
13    std::cerr << tmp.str();
14 }
```

```
$ sudo apt-get install \
  libboost-mpi-dev
$ mpic++ -lboost_mpi \
  -std=c++11 ex5.cpp
$ ./a.out
0/1
$ mpirun -np 2 ./a.out
0/2
1/2
$ mpirun -np 4 ./a.out
3/4
0/4
1/4
2/4
```

Example 7: Boost.MPI/Blitz++ “hello world”

```
1 #include <boost/mpi.hpp>
2 #define BZ_HAVE_BOOST_SERIALIZATION
3 #include <blitz/array.h>
4
5 template <class arr_t>
6 void output(
7     const std::string &str,
8     const int &rank,
9     const arr_t &arr
10 )
11 {
12     std::ostringstream tmp;
13     tmp << str << "@" << rank << ":" << arr << std::endl;
14     std::cerr << tmp.str();
15 }
16
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20     boost::mpi::communicator com;
21 }
```

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```
22 // each process fills an array with its rank number
23 blitz::Array<int, 1> arr(4);
24 arr = com.rank();
25
26 output("initial data", com.rank(), arr);
27
28 // wait for all nodes to get here
29 com.barrier();
30
31 // locating neighbours
32 int from_left_nghbr = (com.rank() - 1 + com.size()) % com.size(),
33     to_rght_nghbr = (com.rank() + 1 + com.size()) % com.size();
34
35 // sending/receiving a Blitz++ array with MPI non-blocking comm.
36 std::list<boost::mpi::request> reqs;
37 enum { msgid };
38 reqs.push_back(com.isend(to_rght_nghbr, msgid, arr));
39 reqs.push_back(com.irecv(from_left_nghbr, msgid, arr));
40 boost::mpi::wait_all(reqs.begin(), reqs.end());
41
42 output("received data", com.rank(), arr);
43 }
```

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```
$ mpic++ -lboost_mpi -lboost_serialization -std=c++11 ex6.cpp  
  
$ mpirun -np 3 ./a.out  
initial data @2:(0,3)  
[ 2 2 2 2 ]  
  
initial data @0:(0,3)  
[ 0 0 0 0 ]  
  
initial data @1:(0,3)  
[ 1 1 1 1 ]  
  
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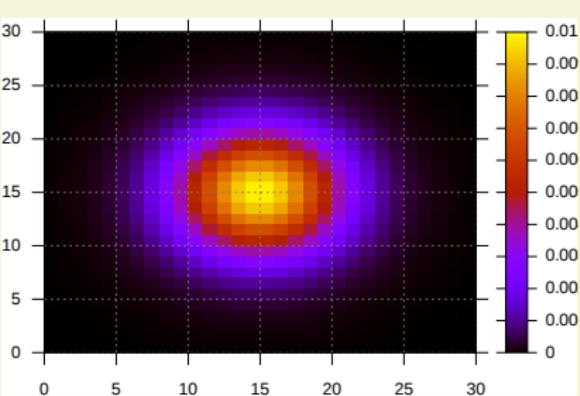
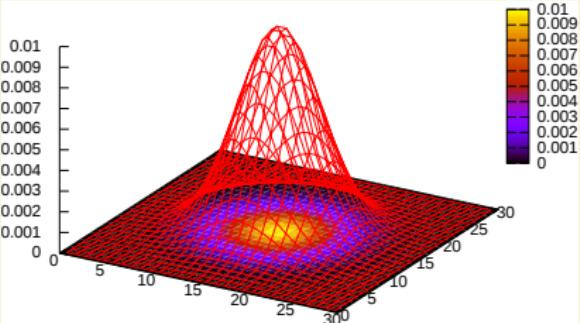
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1 #include <blitz/array.h>
2 #include <gnuplot-iostream.h>
3 #include <boost/math/constants/constants.hpp>
4
5 int main()
6 {
7     int n = 30;
8     double sigma = 4;
9     blitz::Array<double, 2> arr(n,n);
10
11 {
12     using namespace blitz::tensor;
13     using boost::math::constants::pi;
14     arr = pow(
15         2 * pi<double>() * pow(sigma, 2), -1
16     ) * exp(-(
17         pow(i+.5 - n/2., 2) +
18         pow(j+.5 - n/2., 2)
19     ) / 2 / pow(sigma, 2));
20 }
21
22 Gnuplot gp;
23 gp
24     << "set term svg dynamic"      << "\n"
25     << "set xrange [0:" << n << "]" << "\n"
26     << "set yrange [0:" << n << "]" << "\n";
```

$$\frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2+(y-y_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

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```
27
28   gp
29   << "set output 'plot_lines.svg'"<< "\n"
30   << "set grid"           << "\n"
31   << "set xyplane at 0"    << "\n"
32   << "splot"
33   << "'-' binary " << gp.binfmt(arr)
34   << "    origin=(.5,.5,0)"
35   << "    with image failsafe notitle"
36   << "'-' binary " << gp.binfmt(arr)
37   << "    origin=(.5,.5,0)"
38   << "    with lines notitle"    << "\n";
39 gp.sendBinary(arr);
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42 gp
43   << "set output 'plot_image.svg'"<< "\n"
44   << "set view map"          << "\n"
45   << "set tics out"         << "\n"
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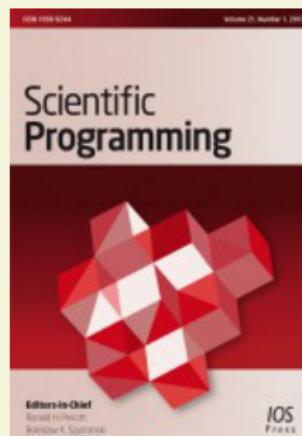
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