

Homework 3

1. Modify your wave equation solver from Homework 1, ignoring all OpenMP directives (removing them if they are too confusing) to run in parallel using MPI. Your program should use P processors (left to be a runtime variable). Follow a data-parallel paradigm and split the gridpoints in equally sized contiguous blocks among the processors.
 - For simplicity you can assume $M = kP$ gridpoints (you may modify your program to always enforce this by redefining M if that is easier).
 - Use “ghost” or “shadow” cells for each process to signify values needed from other processes.
 - Use `MPI_Bcast()` to broadcast runtime parameters read from standard input or provided as command line options to the rest of the processes.
 - Can the program be written with `MPI_Send()/MPI_Recv()` alone?
 - How different is the message passing code depending on the choice of BC?
2. Eager Beaver¹: Modify your program for the case of the 2D problem of Homework 1 to run in parallel using MPI.
 - What can be different about this case? Is deadlock a possibility for very fine discretizations (large numbers of gridpoints)?
 - Can the choice of decomposition direction lead to minimizing communications to the collection of solutions and errors?

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