PHYS 410/555: Computational Physics Fall 2004 Homework 3 DUE: Tuesday, November 2, 10:00 AM Report bugs to choptuik@physics.ubc.ca

The following assignment involves writing and testing several simple Fortran 77 programs. Follow the instructions carefully and please do all compilation and execution on your lnx account, or ensure that all programs compile and execute on the lnx machines. All files required by the assignment must reside in the correct places on your lnx account for the homework to be considered complete.

Important: Your solutions to each and every one of the problems below MUST include a Makefile (or makefile) that defines, at a minimum, targets for the executable or executables required by the problem, and clean, where the clean target, as usual, removes the executables and object-code files. Furthermore, your makefiles MUST use the macros F77, F77FLAGS, F77CFLAGS, F77LFLAGS as discussed in class (i.e. you must define "portable" makefiles).

Problem 1: In a directory ~/hw3/a1 on your lnx account, create Fortran source files pgm1.f and pgm2.f that are to be compiled into executables pgm1 and pgm2 with behaviour as described below.

Important: Use real*8 arithmetic and "free-format" I/O (i.e. read(*,*) and write(*,*)) here and throughout the homework. In particular, in accordance with the "Unix philosophy", discussed in class, of keeping output from programs as "machine-readable" as possible, do NOT, put "descriptive" information such as "f = " in your output.

• pgm1: reads x, y pairs (2 real*8 numbers per line) from standard input, computes and writes f(x, y) to standard output, where f(x, y) is defined as follows:

$$f(x,y) = \cos^2(x+6y) \left(\frac{2+e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}}}{2-e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}}}\right)$$

• pgm2: reads x, y, z triples (3 real*8 numbers per line) from standard input, computes and writes g(x, y, z) to standard output, where g(x, y, z) is defined as follows:

$$g(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x^4 + y^4 + z^2} & \text{if } x < 0\\ \frac{\pi}{4} & \text{if } x = 0\\ \cos(x + y + z)\sin(\min(x, y))\tan(\max(y, z)) & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Minimal commenting of these programs is acceptable, but be sure to carefully test them. You may find it helpful to use Maple for testing purposes. (Recall that the Maple procedure evalf() evaluates an expression using floating-point arithmetic.)

Your programs should detect and ignore invalid input in the same fashion as the mysum example discussed in class. Should you wish to print messages if invalid input is encountered, be sure to direct the messages to standard *error* (unit 0). Your programs will be tested with input of my own design.

As there has been confusion concerning this in the past, be sure that both of your programs accept 0 or more lines of input—i.e. do not assume that there will only be a single line of input.

Finally, note that there is a Fortran sqrt function—see Appendix A of the *Professional Programmer's Guide to Fortran 77*, by Clive Page (available on-line via the Fortran Programming notes page) for a full list of the Fortran 77 intrinsic (built-in) functions.

Problem 2: In a directory $\sim/hw3/a2$ create source files dvvfrom.f and dvvto.f that define Fortran subroutines with the following headers:

<pre>subroutine dvvfrom(fname,v1,v2,n,maxn)</pre>			
implicit	none		
character*(*)	fname		
integer	n,	maxn	
real*8	v1(maxn),	v2(maxn)	
<pre>subroutine dvvto(fname,v1,v2,n)</pre>			
implicit	none		
character*(*)	fname		
integer	n		
real*8	v1(n),	v2(n)	

These routines are to behave completely analogously to the routines dvfrom and dvto covered in the class notes except that they are to read and write *pairs* of real*8 vectors (one-dimensional arrays) from and to a file with name fname. Thus the format of the input and output is:

v1(1)		v2(1)
v1(2)		v2(2)
v1(3)		v2(3)
	•	
	•	
	•	

If fname .eq. '-', the routines should use standard input or standard output as appropriate. In the same directory, write test programs tdvvfrom.f and tdvvto.f and create executables tdvvfrom and tdvvto that test your two routines. The arguments to tdvvfrom and tdvvto should be identical to the programs tdvfrom and tdvvto, respectively, which were covered in class. Specifically, the usage of the test programs should be:

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% tdvvfrom <file name>
% tdvvto <file name> <n>
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tdvvfrom should report on standard error the length of the vectors that were read (i.e. how many pairs were read); tdvvto need not report anything under normal execution. Both testing programs should be adequately documented and must perform argument processing—this includes detection of insufficient or invalid arguments, in which case a usage message should be printed to standard error. Use the system routines iargc and getarg as well as i4arg from the p410f library discussed in class for argument parsing. You should also use the integer function indlnb from the p410f library to ensure that you don't create file names with trailing spaces. Your test programs, as well as your dvvfrom and dvvto routines themselves, will be evaluated with my own input and testing programs.

Problem 3: The Mandelbrot Set

As some of you will know, the Mandelbrot set¹, is a region of the (2-dimensional) complex plane, that has a boundary with very interesting properties such as self-similarity (scale invariance) and fractional dimensionality (i.e. the boundary is a so-called *fractal*). Your task in this problem is to implement a straightforward, "brute force" algorithm, as the Fortran program mandelbrot, which can then be used to investigate the structure of the Mandelbrot set and, in particular its fractal boundary. You must also implement a front end sh-script, Mandelbrot, that runs mandelbrot for several parameter sets, and then uses gnuplot to generate (Postscript) plots of the results.

¹Named after Benoit Mandelbrot, who studied the properties of such sets in detail, and was substantially responsible for bringing fractals into the general scientific and public consciousness.

The Mandelbrot set is defined by considering a specific mapping of the complex plane into itself, i.e. by considering a complex valued function, f(z), of a single complex unknown, z. The particular function that will be considered here is

$$f(z) = z^2 - \frac{3}{4}.$$
(3.1)

Given this function (mapping), we can consider its repeated application to any point in the complex plane. That is, we choose *some* specific complex number, z_0 , then generate a sequence of iterates

$$z_1, z_2, z_3 \cdots z_\infty$$

such that

$$z_{n+1} = f(z_n) = z_n^2 - \frac{3}{4}.$$

Let us denote the *n*-fold iterated application of f(z) as $f^{(n)}(z)$, so that we have

$$z_n = f^{(n)}(z_0) \,.$$

Then an arbitrary point, z, in the complex plane is defined to be in the Mandelbrot set if and only if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| f^{(n)}(z) \right| = \infty$$

where |z| is the *modulus* of z, i.e. $|z| = \sqrt{zz^*}$. In words then, if in the limit of infinite iteration, (3.1) maps a point z to complex infinity, then the point is in the Mandelbrot set.

Given this introduction, you are to create in ~/hw3/a3 a Fortran 77 source file mandelbrot.f with corresponding executable mandelbrot that has the following usage

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usage: mandelbrot <re0> <re1> <nre> <im0> <im1> <nim> <nmax> (3.2)
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Note that mandelbrot is thus to accept precisely 7 command line arguments whose types and interpretations will shortly be defined, as will the output from the program.

Preamble: It should be clear from the *definition* of the Mandelbrot set, appealing as it does to an infinitely iterated function, that you will have to introduce some approximations and/or simplifying assumptions into your implementation of mandelbrot. Specifically, then, you are to adopt the following operational definition for membership in the Mandelbrot set. Consider some suitably large modulus (distance from the origin of the complex plane), R, and some fixed but large (or largeish) number of iterations n_{max} . Then a point z will be deemed to be in the Mandelbrot set if

$$\left| f^{(n)}(z) \right| \ge R \quad \text{for some } n \le n_{\max}$$

Thus, in the simultaneous limit $n_{\max} \to \infty$, $R \to \infty$ we recover from the above the true definition of membership in the set.

Command line arguments: We now return to a discussion of the command line arguments to mandelbrot. The first six arguments define a uniform (discrete) lattice (aka mesh, lattice) of values $z_{j,k}$ in the complex plane as follows

$$z_{j,k} = [re_0 + (j-1)\Delta re] + i [im_0 + (k-1)\Delta im], \quad j = 1, 2, \dots n_{re}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots n_{im}$$
(3.3)

where $i^2 = -1$, re₀, re₁, im₀, im₁ are real values satisfying re₀ < re₁, im₀ < im₁ that define a rectangular region in the complex plane

$$\operatorname{re}_0 \leq \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq \operatorname{re}_1, \quad \operatorname{im}_0 \leq \operatorname{Im}(z) \leq \operatorname{im}_1$$

and the integers $n_{\rm re}$ and $n_{\rm im}$ define how many grid points there are in the real and imaginary directions respectively. (Note that I have used the $[\cdots]$ brackets in (3.3) to highlight the real and imaginary parts of $z_{j,k}$.) Δ re and Δ im are to be defined so that

$$z_{n_{\rm re},n_{\rm im}} = {\rm re}_1 + i\,{\rm im}_1\,.$$

The correspondence between quantities defined above and the command line arguments are as follows

```
re0
                      re_0
             \rightarrow
  re1
             \rightarrow
                      re_1
  nre \rightarrow
                      n_{\rm re}
  imO
             \rightarrow
                    im_0
  im1
             \rightarrow
                      im_1
  nim
             \rightarrow
                      n_{\rm im}
nmax
            \rightarrow
                      n_{\rm max}
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Use the functions r8arg and i4arg discussed in class and in the Fortran notes to parse the arguments from the command line. You can use code such as

```
с
      Declare the type of r8arg
      real*8
                   r8arg
      Define a real*8 value that you trust/hope the "user" will never use
с
      real*8
                   r8_never
      parameter (r8\_never = -1.0d60)
      Declare a temporary for the argument to be parsed
с
      real*8
                    thingy
               .
      Parse the 4th command line argument as a real
с
      thingy = r8arg(4,r8_never)
      If r8_never is returned, argument either isn't there, or can't be parsed as a real
с
      if( thingy .eq. r8_never ) go to 900
900
      continue
         write(0,*) 'usage: ...'
      end
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to deal with missing or non-parseable command line arguments. In addition to that error checking, your program must also ensure that the following constraints are satisfied.

1. $re_0 < re_1$ 2. $im_0 < im_1$ 3. $n_{re} > 1$ 4. $n_{im} > 1$ 5. $10 \le n_{max} \le 1000$

Other Problem Parameters: Your implementation of mandelbrot should use a "hardcoded" value of $R = 1 \times 10^{10}$ (i.e. the modulus at which we deem that the mapping is taking the input complex number to complex- ∞ is to be fixed at 10^{10}).

Program Output: Given an invocation of the form (3.2), mandelbrot must produce the following, and only the following, on standard output

. rez_jk imz_jk . .

where

$$rez_jk \rightarrow Re[z_{j,k}]$$

imz_jk \rightarrow Im[z_{j,k}]

and the indices [j, k] run over all values such that $z_{j,k}$ has been deemed to be in the Mandelbrot set.

Thus, for example, sample output from the instructor's implementation of mandelbrot starts as follows

% mandelbrot -1.0 2.0 101	-1.5 1.5 101 100
-1.0000000000000	-1.50000000000000
-0.97000000000000	-1.50000000000000
-0.94000000000000	-1.50000000000000
-0.91000000000000	-1.50000000000000

Any additional output that your program generates (such as diagnostic or tracing output) should be output to *standard error* (logical unit 0).

Visualization of Output: Use gnuplot (or some other equivalent plotting package available on Linux systems²) to plot the output from mandelbrot. Note that in doing the plotting it is essential to convince gnuplot to use a plotting symbol that is sufficiently small that the structure of the output is not obscured by the symbols per se. (*Hint*: Try help plot with). If as you proceed with your solution you remain unsure of what this means, or you cannot get gnuplot to do as you wish, ask for further explanation/assistance.

Numerical Experiments: If possible, (in particular, if you have the time), once you are reasonably confident that you have implemented mandelbrot correctly, you should try to run some numerical experiments to see if you can "discover" the interesting features of the boundary of the Mandelbrot set mentioned above. Ideally, you will do this before reading the rest of the problem specification, or, if you must read through the rest of the question first, at least try to ignore/forget any numbers that you encounter! Report your findings, if any, briefly in README.

Front-end Script: Write a sh-script called Mandelbrot that serves as a "front-end" to mandelbrot and that has usage

usage: Mandelbrot <res>

<res> = number of discrete points in Re/Im directions

Mandelbrot is to execute the following invocations of mandelbrot (assuming that the first command line argument to the script has been parsed into the shell variable res):

mandelbrot -1.0 2.0 \$res -1.5 1.5 \$res 100 mandelbrot -0.43 0.31 \$res 0.24 0.98 \$res 100 mandelbrot -0.140 0.045 \$res 0.544 0.729 \$res 100

²Check with the instructor if you are unsure of the "equivalence" of a given plotting package to gnuplot

The script should create Postscript files containing gnuplot plots of the output from the above invocations. The plot files should be named

lev0-\${res}.ps
lev1-\${res}.ps
lev2-\${res}.ps

respectively, where again, it is assumed that the first command line argument to Mandelbrot has been parsed into the shell variable res.

Ensure that the *aspect ratio* of your plots is unity, so that the plotting area is *square*. (*Hint:* Try help set size.)

Mandelbrot can do minimal error-checking of its command-line arguments. It should detect the wrong number of arguments, and exit with a usage message in that case. However, if there is a single argument supplied, it can assume that the argument can be parsed as an integer.

Required Output: Once you are sure that mandelbrot and Mandelbrot are both working properly (including usage messages and handling of wrong numbers/types of arguments as described above), execute

% Mandelbrot 501

in the solution directory, ensure that the plots

lev0-501.ps lev1-501.ps lev2-501.ps

exist and look as they should (by this time, if the problem is going well for you, you will know what they *should* look like). Relax and/or celebrate. You're essentially done the homework.

Summary of Required Files: Upon completion of this problem your solution directory should contain (at a minimum), files as follows:

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% ls -FC
Makefile lev0-501.ps lev2-501.ps mandelbrot.f
Mandelbrot* lev1-501.ps mandelbrot* mandelbrot.o
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Your solution may also involve a **REAMDE** file, and you are free to leave other files that you have created in-place.

Other Hints:

- See democomplex.f available via the *Miscellaneous* section of the course Software page for tips on complex arithmetic in Fortran.
- Consult the instructor if anything in the problem specification is unclear, or if you are having undue problems with any aspect of this question.

WARNING!!: Improper implementations of mandelbrot and/or overly large values of nre, nim (a 501×501 mesh is arguably large enough) and/or improper plotting techniques may lead to the generation of *very large data and/or plot files*. Beware of exhuasting disk space on the lnx machines (learn how to use du to generate summaries of disk usage if necessary), and avoid *printing* very large files (i.e. in excess of 2-3 megabytes) if at all possible, since you'll tend to tie up the printer.

Problem 4: (for 555 credit, OPTIONAL for 410 students)

In a directory $\sim/hw3/a4$ create a Fortran 77 source file rw2d.f and corresponding executable rw2d, which simulates and analyzes random walks of a particle on a two dimensional integer lattice. Specifically, if at step n the current position of the particle performing the walk is (x, y) = (i, j), where i and j are integers, then, with equal probability (i.e. p = 1/4), the position at step n + 1 is either (i + 1, j), (i - 1, j), (i, j + 1)or (i, j - 1). rw2d should accept two integer arguments as illustrated in this usage message:

usage: rw2d <nsteps> <nwalks>

where $\langle nsteps \rangle$ is the number of steps to take per walk, and $\langle nwalks \rangle$ is the number of separate walks to be generated. Once again, note that you can use the i4arg function from the p410f library to parse the command-line arguments. For each walk, start the particle at (0,0) and use real*8 values for the particle coordinates, even though the coordinates are restricted to integer values. When your program is finished simulating the random walks, it must write on standard output the average of the distance-squared of the particle from its starting point (i.e. compute $\langle r^2 \rangle$ using a simple average to compute the expectation value, and average over all walks) after each step, as a function of step number. Specifically, the output should consist of two numbers per line, generated using code such as the following:

do i = 1 , nsteps
 write(*,*) i, rsqavg(i)
end do

Document and test your program thoroughly, then make runs of 10, 100, and 1000, 5000-step walks, and save the output in files out10, out100 and out1000 respectively. Use gnuplot, or another instructor-approved plotting package (contact me if you're not sure whether a given package is instructor-approved!) to produce a *single* plot of average-distance-squared versus step number for all three data-sets. Save a postscript version of the plot in distance.ps. What can you say about the behaviour of $\langle r^2 \rangle$ versus step number as the number of walks gets large? Answer in a file called README. Note that you can use the drand48 function defined in the p410f library, and discussed in class, in order to complete this problem.