OS HW4 report

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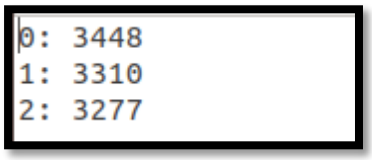
Q1:
Compare results between hw4_1_1 with/without synchronization.

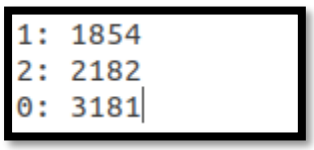
Without synchronization, the calculated occurrence differ according to the computing process. There may be unexpected race conditions and cause different outputs.



With synchronization, the calculated occurrence is consistent.

Q2:
Compare results between hw4_1_2 with/without synchronization.

Without synchronization, the calculated occurrence and the output order may differ.

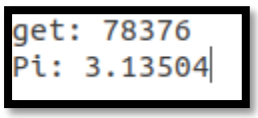


With synchronization, the calculated occurrence and output order are consistent.

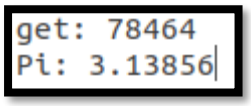
Q3:

Compare results between hw4_2 with/without synchronization.

Without synchronization, the point we get may be slightly more/less but overall the points are enough to make it ignorable.



With synchronization, the point we get maybe slightly more accurate than the above.



Q4:

Some problems you meet and how to resolve.

or some Reflections.

I only encountered problems when I'm working on 1_2.

By duplicating the work from 1_1, I didn't really know how to make the first tread wait for the third thread before it output its data. So I tried to replace the mutex with semaphore, but then I met another problem.

The second problem I met is that I'm stuck at adding in the wait and post function, it all became deadlock because the first thread waits for the third thread and vice versa. Then, I tried separating the counting part and output part by assigning two independent semaphores and it finally worked :)