CS 33 Spring 2013 Lab 4: OpenMP

Introduction

In this lab assignment, you will improve the performance of existing code using optimization techniques and parallelization using OpenMP.

The lab handout contains the following files:

header.h Header with typedefs and function prototypes. edgedetect.c Primary source file (edit and submit this).

main.c Source file containing main() and initialization code.

Makefile Build script.

img.bmp Sample input image.

correct.txt Correct output data (for default inputs).

submit Script to submit a source file.

status Script to check submission status.

results Script to check submission results.

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clear Script to clear submissions in progress.

You will edit and submit only edgedetect.c.

Grading

Your grade for this assignment will be proportional to the amount of speedup you achieve. For full credit, you must achieve a 5X speedup. Extra credit will be awarded for speedup beyond that amount. To ensure fairness in measuring speedup, you will submit your code to be run on the Hoffman computing cluster.

Compiling and Running

To compile normally: make seq To compile with OpenMP enabled: make omp

To compile using a different source file: make omp SRC=try2.c

To compile with gprof enabled: make seq GPROF=1

To run with default options: make run
To check that your output is correct: make check
To remove the executable and output files: make clean

The generated executable is named <code>edgedetect</code>. By default, it will generate the image <code>out.bmp</code> and the list of points <code>pts.txt</code>. It also prints the time taken to run <code>detect_edges()</code>. If you like, you may experiment with different input images or different command-line parameters. <code>make check</code> assumes that you ran with default parameters using <code>make run</code>. If your output is not correct, a message will be printed saying your output differs from <code>correct.txt</code>.

Submission

To use the submission scripts, you must be logged in to lnxsrv02.

To submit a source file: ./submit edgedetect.c

A unique cookie will be printed to allow you to identify your submissions.

To check the status of submissions in progress: ./status

Your are limited to 1 submission in progress at one time.

To check the results of completed submissions: ./results

You can also check the web scoreboard (see below).

To clear your submissions that have not yet completed: ./clear

It may take several minutes before your submissions run. Before submitting a file, run on your local machine or lnxsrv to check if your changes have any effect on the execution time.

Code Overview

The code performs edge detection on a color input image and produces a black&white output image, where white pixels represent edges. An edge is a linear region of high contrast that corresponds to an object border or line in the input image. The main function is detect_edges, found at the bottom of edgedetect.c. The code contains a few comments which describe the main stages of the algorithm.

Profiling

When optimizing a large program, it is useful to profile it to determine which portions take up the largest portion of the execution time. There is no point in optimizing code that only takes up a small fraction of the overall computations.

gprof is a simple profiling tool which works with gcc to give approximate statistics on how often each function is called. gprof works by interrupting your program at fixed time intervals and noting what function is currently executing. As shown earlier, to compile with gprof support, simply add GPROF=1 to the make command. Then when you run edges, it will produce the file gmon.out containing the raw statistics. To view the statistics in a readable format, run gprof with the name of the executable: gprof edges.

You can also measure execution time of portions of the program using the timer_* functions, defined in header.h. Check how they are used in main().

Scoreboard

A full scoreboard is also available via the web, and is updated every 30 seconds:

http://www.seas.ucla.edu/~vitanza/cs33s13/openmplab.html