

Assignment 2 – Multithreaded MapReduce Library

Category	Mark
Functionality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marks will be deducted for: using FCFS or other policies instead of SJF for the job queue (-5); not keeping the intermediate data structures sorted in ascending key order (-5). 	/10 marks
Correctness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marks will be deducted for: not passing the public and holdout test cases. 	/40 marks
Runtime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marks will be deducted if: concurrency management was not done economically or poor decisions were made regarding the use of data structures, as a result taking a huge amount of time to finish large test cases. 	/10 marks
Memory Leaks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marks will be deducted for: memory leaks (<code>valgrind</code> will be used to identify memory leaks). 	/10 marks
Makefile <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marks will be deducted for: missing a required target (-1 each); missing the necessary flags or using the -0 flag (-3); failing to produce an executable called <code>wordcount</code> (-2). 	/15 marks
README <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marks will be deducted for: not listing the synchronization primitives that were used in the implementation of each library and how they were used (-5); missing or incomplete explanation of the data structures used (-3); not describing how the implementation was tested, e.g. using a different number of data splits, threads, or partitions (-2); wrong/incomplete answer to question about why the reduction in running time becomes limited beyond a certain number of threads (-5). 	/15 marks

Note: Deductions may be applied at the grader's discretion if the submission:

- Does not meet the requirements mentioned in the assignment description (e.g. no correctness marks will be given if it creates/destroys threads on demand rather than using a thread pool) or has extremely poor code structure or modularity;
- Does not compile or run correctly on a lab machine;
- Does not compile cleanly with `-Wall` (up to 5 marks can be deducted).