

# Kennesaw State University

## CS 7172 Parallel and Distributed Computing

### Project - Pthread

Given two character strings s1 and s2. Write a Pthread program to find out the number of substrings, in string s1, that is exactly the same as s2.

For example, suppose `number_substring(s1, s2)` implements the function, then  
`number_substring("abcdab", "ab") = 2`,  
`number_substring("aaa", "a") = 3`,  
`number_substring("abac", "bc") = 0`.

The size of s1 and s2 (n1 and n2) as well as their data are input by users. Assume that  
`n1 mod NUM_THREADS = 0`  
and  
`n2 < n1/NUM_THREADS`.

The following is a sequential solution of the problem. `read_f()` reads the two strings from a file named "string.txt" and `num_substring()` calculates the number of substrings.

<https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/project-pthread.c>

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#include <stdlib.h>  
#include <stdio.h>  
#include <string.h>  
  
#define MAX 10240  
  
int total = 0;  
int n1, n2;  
char *s1, *s2;  
FILE *fp;  
  
int readf(FILE *fp)  
{  
    if ((fp=fopen("strings.txt", "r"))==NULL) {  
        printf("ERROR: can't open string.txt!\n");  
        return 0;  
    }  
    s1=(char *)malloc(sizeof(char)*MAX);  
    if (s1==NULL) {  
        printf("ERROR: Out of memory!\n");  
        return -1;  
    }  
    s2=(char *)malloc(sizeof(char)*MAX);  
    if (s1==NULL) {
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        printf("ERROR: Out of memory\n");
        return -1;
    }
    /*read s1 s2 from the file*/
    s1=fgets(s1, MAX, fp);
    s2=fgets(s2, MAX, fp);
    n1=strlen(s1); /*length of s1*/
    n2=strlen(s2)-1; /*length of s2*/
    if(s1==NULL || s2==NULL || n1<n2) /*when error exit*/
        return -1;
}

int num_substring(void)
{
    int i,j,k;
    int count;

    for (i = 0; i <= (n1-n2); i++){
        count=0;
        for(j = i, k = 0; k < n2; j++,k++){ /*search for the next string of size of n2*/
            if (*(s1+j) != *(s2+k)) {
                break;
            }
            else
                count++;
            if(count==n2)
                total++; /*find a substring in this step*/
        }
        return total;
    }
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int count;

    readf(fp);
    count = num_substring();
    printf("The number of substrings is: %d\n", count);
    return 1;
}

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You can find an example of the “string.txt” here:

string.txt: <https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/strings.txt>

To compile the program with Pthread, use:

\$ gcc project-pthread.c -o project-pthread.o -pthread

Current output:

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ksuo@LinuxKernel2 ~> ./project-pthread.o
The number of substrings is: 400

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Download the string.txt:

\$ wget <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/master/strings.txt>

Write a parallel program using Pthread based on this sequential solution. Please set the thread number as 10 in your code. You can start with this template code:

<https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/parallel-template.c>

To compile the program with Pthread, use:

\$ gcc file.c -o file.o -pthread

Here file refers to your source code name.

HINT: Strings s1 and s2 are stored in a file named "string.txt". String s1 is evenly partitioned for `NUM_THREADS` threads to concurrently search for matching with string s2. After a thread finishes its work and obtains the number of local matchings, this local number is added into a global variable showing the total number of matched substrings in string s1. Finally, this total number is printed out. Please make sure the number of substrings of parallel program is the same as the serial program.

## Submission

Submit your assignment zip file through D2L using the appropriate link. Please submit the **source code**, **output screenshot of your parallel code** and **a report describe your code logic**.