

Shared memory programming with Pthreads

**Task:** Write a Pthreads program with C++ for parallel global\_sum computation.

Please study “Hello-correct.cpp” for basic Pthreads technology.

In the global area,

declare a 1-D array of integers (please use size 500,000,000) and global\_sum;

in main( ),

get the number of threads from command line argument;

fill the array elements: use  $a[i] = i+1$ ;

define the needed number of threads based on the input (number of threads);

create threads by passing the slave function and parameter (thread\_id);

join all the threads;

display the final global sum (of the array elements);

display the total execution time;

in the slave function,

declare partial\_sum with value 0;

compute start\_index and end\_index of the array; //assume that the array size is evenly divisible by P

compute partial\_sum (in each thread);

display thread\_id, start\_index, end\_index, and partial\_sum;

update the global sum with partial\_sum;

Note that you should use mutex variable(s) as needed for synchronization. In fact, two mutex variables are needed, one for cout statements and the other for updating the global sum.

Run your program with number of threads = 1, 2, 4, 8 and check/show the execution time for each run. For this, you need to use time checking codes in your program (in main()).

**Submission:**

Include good documentations (global and each function head) and submit source code and run time output (all 4 runs).