Project 3

Memory Ordering Demonstration in Multicore Shared Environments and Implementation of Sequential consistency and Total Store Order

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Litmus Tests

Commands to run the programs inside litmus_tests folder:

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Compilation:
make
Run:
./loadload || ./loadstore || ./storeload || ./storestore
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Following are the litmus tests and their analysis.

1. Store - Load Litmus test

Assume initially X = Y = 0

<u>Thread 1</u>	<u>Thread 2</u>
Store X = 1	Store Y = 1
Load R1 = Y	Load R2 = X

Showing all possible execution states:

1)
$$R1 = R2 = 0$$

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Load R1 = Y		The load and the store gets reordered for thread 1
2		Load R2 = X	
3	Store X = 1		Store reordered here
4		Store Y = 1	

In this case R1 = 0 and R2 = 0, in this case a store-load reorder gets detected. This scenario is not possible without reordering, since if no reordering has occurred then atleast one of the stores will set the variable before load.

2)
$$R1 = R2 = 1$$

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Store X=1		
2		Store Y = 1	
3	Load R1=Y		
4		Load R2=X	

In this case R1 = 1 and R2 = 1, no reorder needed to reach this state.

3)
$$R1 = 0$$
, $R2 = 1$

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Store X=1		
2	Load R1=Y		
3		Store Y = 1	
4		Load R2=X	

In this case R1 = 0 and R2 = 1, no reorder needed to reach this state.

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1		Store Y = 1	
2		Load R2=X	

3	Store X=1	
4	Load R1=Y	

In this case R1 = 1 and R2 = 0, no reorder needed to reach this state.

2. Load - Store Litmus test

Assume initially X = Y = 0

<u>Thread 1</u>	<u>Thread 2</u>
Load R1=Y	Load R2 = X
Store X=1	Store Y = 1

Showing all possible execution states:

Cycle	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Load R1 = Y		
2		Load R2 = X	
3	Store X = 1		
4		Store Y = 1	

In this case R1 = 0 and R2 = 0, no reorder needed to reach this state.

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Store X=1		The Thread 1 Load and Store get reordered

2		Load R2=X	
3		Store Y = 1	
4	Load R1=Y		Load reordered here

In this case R1 = 1 and R2 = 1, in this case a load-store reorder gets detected. This state cannot be reached without reordering, since if there is no reorder then atleast one of the loads for a variable will occur before its store.

3)
$$R1 = 0$$
, $R2 = 1$

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Load R1 = Y		
2	Store X = 1		
3		Load R2 = X	
4		Store Y = 1	

In this case R1 = 0 and R2 = 1, no reorder needed to reach this state.

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1		Load R2=X	
2		Store Y = 1	
3	Load R1 = Y		
4	Store X = 1		

In this case R1 = 1 and R2 = 0, no reorder needed to reach this state.

3. Load - Load Litmus test

Assume initially X = 0

<u>Thread 1</u>	<u>Thread 2</u>
Store X=1	Load R1 = X
	Load R2 = X

Showing all possible execution states:

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1		Load R1 = X	
2		Load R2 = X	
3	Store X = 1		

In this case R1 = 0 and R2 = 0, no reorder needed to reach this state.

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Store X=1		
2		Load R1 = X	
3		Load R2 = X	

In this case R1 = 1 and R2 = 1, no reorder needed to reach this state.

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1		Load R1 = X	

2	Store X = 1		
3		Load R2 = X	

In this case R1 = 0 and R2 = 1, no reorder needed to reach this state.

4)
$$R1 = 1$$
, $R2 = 0$

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	<u>Comments</u>
1		Load R2=X	The Load R2 instruction has come before Load R1 instruction
2	Store X = 1		
3		Load R1 = X	As both Load instructions have inverted positions so its load - load reordering

In this case R1 = 1 and R2 = 0, in this case a load-load reorder gets detected.

4. Store-Store Litmus test

Assume initially X = Y = 0

<u>Thread 1</u>	<u>Thread 2</u>
Store X = 1	Load R1 = Y
	FENCE

Fence is added between the two Load instructions to prevent Load-Load reordering during execution.

Showing all possible execution states:

1)
$$R1 = R2 = 0$$

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1		Load R1 = Y	
2		Load R2 = X	
3	Store X = 1		
4	Store Y = 1		

In this case R1 = 0 and R2 = 0, no reorder needed to reach this state.

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Store X=1		
2	Store Y = 1		
3		Load R1=Y	
4		Load R2=X	

In this case R1 = 1 and R2 = 1, no reorder needed to reach this state.

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Store X = 1		
2		Load R1 = Y	
3		Load R2 = X	
4	Store Y = 1		

In this case R1 = 0 and R2 = 1, no reorder needed to reach this state.

4)
$$R1 = 1$$
, $R2 = 0$

<u>Cycle</u>	Core C1	Core C2	Comments
1	Store Y = 1		
2		Load R1 = Y	
3		Load R2=X	
4	Store X = 1		

In this case R1 = 1 and R2 = 0, in this case a store-store reorder gets detected. This state cannot occur without reordering in store store, as if no reordering occurs and R1 is assigned 1, that means that X has been set to 1 as well (since X is set before Y) and hence R2 should also have a value of 1.