

Functional & Parallel Programming

Project name: Parallel sorting

Language: Rust

Library used: Rayon, Crossbeam, Rand

I implemented 3 algorithms of sorting: sample sort, Radix sort, and Quick sort. I have written both sequential and parallel versions (missing parallel radix sp). As we know, these three algorithms might be slow for a large scale of input. Therefore, we will parallelize them in order to minimize the running time and sort more data, amounts that can't be sorted serially.

- For quick sort, I used 1,000,000 random numbers in the vector
- For sample sort, I used 10,000 random numbers in the vector (I cannot use 1,000,000 numbers because it takes more than 15 minutes to complete compilation)
- For radix sort, I used 1,000,000 random numbers in the vector

The result:

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===== Quick sort =====  
Sequential quick sort: sorted = true, t = 3.294925401s  
Parallel quick sort: sorted = true, t = 1.885238191s
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===== Sample sort =====  
Sequential sample sort: sorted = true, t = 12.21826824s  
Parallel sample sort: sorted = true, t = 0.968303745s
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===== Radix sort =====  
Sequential radix sort: sorted = true, t = 2.225594283s
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Problem:

- 1) Type of input and output - I had to fix the code to make it able to sort both positive and negative numbers in the vector.
- 2) Understanding each sorting algorithm
- 3) Waiting for the infinity of Sample sort - I cannot use a random million number as another sorting.
- 4) Unfinished making parallel radix sorting :(