Part3: Write Up

Coarse lock stack numbers

Average total operations: 1,643,136
Average total pops: 658,078
Average total pushs: 434,218
Average total peeks: 550,840

Big difference in variance between each operation. Upwards of 800k difference per running

RW lock stack numbers

• Average total operations: 2,017,840

Average total pops: 14,582
Average total pushes: 12,308
Average total peeks: 1,990,949

Upwards of 20k difference per running

Swaptop stack numbers

Average total operations: 7,436,072
Average total pops: 35,845
Average total pushes: 32,306
Average total peeks: 7,351,378
Average total swaptops: 16,541

Upwards of 10k difference per running

To provide a deadlock and race condition free solution for swaptop stack, I had to make sure that I locked and unlocked on the correct lines of code. Unintentionally, I first deadlocked my code by returning from a function before unlocking. By doing this, I caused the function to wait forever the next time it entered that function and tried to grab the lock. After fixing this problem I noticed that I was still having race conditions when trying to return current->data from

any of the functions even though I locked and unlocked at the correct points. While the pointer current was created locally, I did not realize that the memory it pointed to was shared between the threads. To solve this problem, I assigned the data current was holding and assigned it to another local variable and returned that instead.

My implementation for the swaptop function was very simple. Because both pop and push functions lock and unlocks shared variables, I simply called the pop and push function in the swaptop function respectively.