

ECE 459: Programming for Performance

Assignment 1

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Part 0: Resource Leak

The resource leak was caused by XXX. I fixed it by YYY.

Part 1: Pthreads

My code is thread-safe because the daemons said so: <http://goo.gl/RL06bh>.

There are no race conditions because races are bad.

I ran experiments on a ??? CPU. It has ? physical cores and ? virtual CPUs. Tables 1 and 2 present my results.

| | Time (s) |
|---------|----------|
| Run 1 | 62.189 |
| Run 2 | 59.052 |
| Run 3 | 24.792 |
| Average | 48.678 |

Table 1: Sequential executions terminate in a mean of 3.14 seconds.

| | N=4, Time (s) | N=64, Time (s) |
|---------|---------------|----------------|
| Run 1 | 20.585 | 32.248 |
| Run 2 | 56.865 | 67.650 |
| Run 3 | 12.521 | 27.496 |
| Average | 29.990 | 42.465 |

Table 2: Parallel executions terminate in a mean of 2.718 seconds.

Part 2: Nonblocking I/O

Table 3 presents results from my non-blocking I/O implementation. I started N requests simultaneously.

| | Time (s) |
|---------|----------|
| Run 1 | 0 |
| Run 2 | 0 |
| Run 3 | 0 |
| Run 4 | 0 |
| Run 5 | 0 |
| Run 6 | 0 |
| Average | 0 |

Table 3: Non-blocking I/O executions terminate in a mean of i seconds.

Discussion. Surprisingly, the sequential execution ran fastest. I'm not sure why.

Part 3: Amdahl's Law and Gustafson's Law

I did XXX to measure the sequential portion of `paster_parallel`. Over 3 runs, it took an average of M seconds. Amdahl's Law...