

CPSC/ECE 3220 - Fall 2017 - Project 2 Assignment

Due date: Thursday, October 12, 2017 by 11:59PM
 Submission: turn in to Canvas a copy of your source code and write up .pdf
 Grading: 50% Code and Correctness
 20% Comments Either block/section comments or line-by-line comments are acceptable.
 30% a 1-page write up demonstrating difficulties of threaded program and debugging techniques for proving correctness.

This can be done as an individual assignment or as a team of two.

Assignment: Page 179; Exercise 6
 Write a program that uses threads to perform a parallel merge sort.

Testing: ./program <input.txt >output.txt

Notes: A program that does NOT use threads will receive a 0.
 Use scanf() / printf() for input / output or other stdin / stdout system calls.

Threads run out-of-order and will to use system class to keep synchronization.
 input.txt will be a list of 0 to 100000 numbers inclusive.
 Check for zero inputs and one input as special conditions.
 Use may use an array[100000] as storage for the inputted numbers.

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input.txt
=====
5
6
3
2
=====
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output.txt will be a list of running commentary of the program followed by a list of sorted numbers.

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Remember threads execute out of order.
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...
Creating thread for left half of list index 0-1
Creating thread for right half of list index 1-1
Creating thread for left half of list index 0-0
Creating thread for right half of list index 2-3
Creating thread for left half of list index 2-2
Exiting thread for index 1-1
Exiting thread for index 0-0
Merging for index 0-1
Exiting thread for index 0-1
...
...
The List Sorted:
2
3
5
6
=====
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