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General

This document outlines a multithreaded implementation of the Fibonacci sequence calculation using the fast doubling algorithm in C programming language. The program employs POSIX threads for concurrency and optimization techniques to enhance performance.

Usage

By default, the program calculates Fibonacci numbers using fast_fibonacci function, leveraging the fast doubling algorithm for efficient computation. To compile and run the program, execute the following commands, simply:

make n=15

A sequence of Fibonacci numbers up to the specified limit n (in this example, 15) will be displayed, along with the elapsed time for computation.

Implementation

The program consists of the following components:

- 1. **Fast Doubling Algorithm**: The fast_fibonacci function implements the fast doubling algorithm to calculate Fibonacci numbers efficiently. The algorithm reduces the number of recursive calls by computing two Fibonacci numbers in a single function call.
- 2. **Multithreading**: The program uses POSIX threads to parallelize the computation of Fibonacci numbers. The fibonacci_thread function is responsible for creating and managing threads to calculate Fibonacci numbers concurrently.
- 3. **Semaphore**: The program uses a semaphore to synchronize the threads and ensure that the correct Fibonacci numbers are calculated in the correct order.

Once the thread stored the result in the shared memory, it will signal the semaphore to tell the main thread that the result is ready to be printed.

Screenshots

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vincent@DESKTOP-G0KHUT9:~/LOSE/fabonacci_thread_mutex$ make n=15
gcc -o main main.c -pthread
./main 15
Fibonacci(0) = 0
Fibonacci(1) = 1
Fibonacci(2) = 1
Fibonacci(3) = 2
Fibonacci(4) = 3
Fibonacci(5) = 5
Fibonacci(6) = 8
Fibonacci(7) = 13
Fibonacci(8) = 21
Fibonacci(9) = 34
Fibonacci(10) = 55
Fibonacci(11) = 89
Fibonacci(12) = 144
Fibonacci(13) = 233
Fibonacci(14) = 377
Fibonacci(15) = 610
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