

請使用 Pthread 完成本次作業

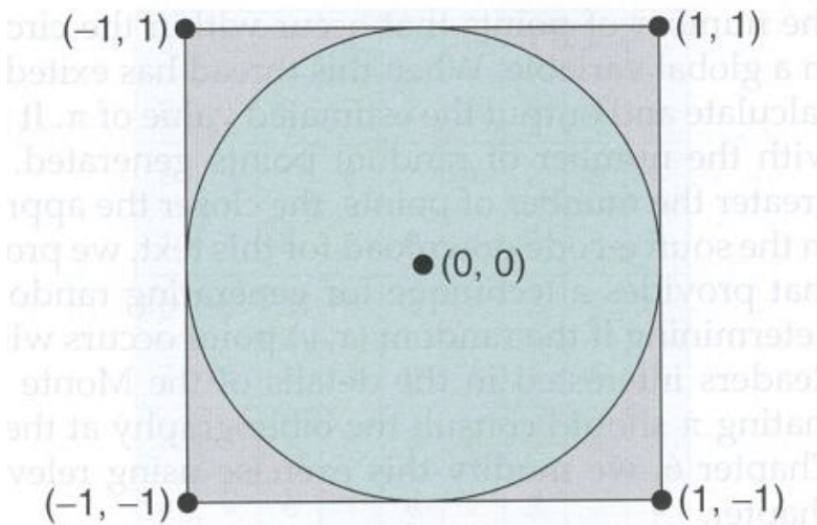


Figure 4.18 Monte Carlo technique for calculating pi.

4.17 An interesting way of calculating π is to use a technique known as *Monte Carlo*, which involves randomization. This technique works as follows: Suppose you have a circle inscribed within a square, as shown in Figure 4.18. (Assume that the radius of this circle is 1.) First, generate a series of random points as simple (x, y) coordinates. These points must fall within the Cartesian coordinates that bound the square. Of the total number of random points that are generated, some will occur within the circle. Next, estimate π by performing the following calculation:

$$\pi = 4 \times (\text{number of points in circle}) / (\text{total number of points})$$

Write a multithreaded version of this algorithm that creates a separate thread to generate a number of random points. The thread will count

the number of points that occur within the circle and store that result in a global variable. When this thread has exited, the parent thread will calculate and output the estimated value of π . It is worth experimenting with the number of random points generated. As a general rule, the greater the number of points, the closer the approximation to π .

In the source-code download for this text, we provide a sample program that provides a technique for generating random numbers, as well as determining if the random (x, y) point occurs within the circle.

Readers interested in the details of the Monte Carlo method for estimating π should consult the bibliography at the end of this chapter. In Chapter 6, we modify this exercise using relevant material from that chapter.

上述 “determining if the random (x, y) point occurs within the circle” 請參考下面連結:

<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/estimating-value-pi-using-monte-carlo/>

請完成 Project 2 – multithreaded sorting application

structure using a `struct`. For example, a structure to pass the row and column where a thread must begin validating would appear as follows:

```
/* structure for passing data to threads */
typedef struct
{
    int row;
    int column;
} parameters;
```

Both Pthreads and Windows programs will create worker threads using a strategy similar to that shown below:

```
parameters *data = (parameters *) malloc(sizeof(parameters));
data->row = 1;
data->column = 1;
/* Now create the thread passing it data as a parameter */
```

The data pointer will be passed to either the `pthread_create()` (Pthreads) function or the `CreateThread()` (Windows) function, which in turn will pass it as a parameter to the function that is to run as a separate thread.

Returning Results to the Parent Thread

Each worker thread is assigned the task of determining the validity of a particular region of the Sudoku puzzle. Once a worker has performed this check, it must pass its results back to the parent. One good way to handle this is to create an array of integer values that is visible to each thread. The i^{th} index in this array corresponds to the i^{th} worker thread. If a worker sets its corresponding value to 1, it is indicating that its region of the Sudoku puzzle is valid. A value of 0 would indicate otherwise. When all worker threads have completed, the parent thread checks each entry in the result array to determine if the Sudoku puzzle is valid.

Project 2—Multithreaded Sorting Application

Write a multithreaded sorting program that works as follows: A list of integers is divided into two smaller lists of equal size. Two separate threads (which we will term *sorting threads*) sort each sublist using a sorting algorithm of your choice. The two sublists are then merged by a third thread—a *merging thread*—which merges the two sublists into a single sorted list.

Because global data are shared across all threads, perhaps the easiest way to set up the data is to create a global array. Each sorting thread will work on one half of this array. A second global array of the same size as the unsorted integer array will also be established. The merging thread will then merge the two sublists into this second array. Graphically, this program is structured according to Figure 4.20.

This programming project will require passing parameters to each of the sorting threads. In particular, it will be necessary to identify the starting index from which each thread is to begin sorting. Refer to the instructions in Project 1 for details on passing parameters to a thread.

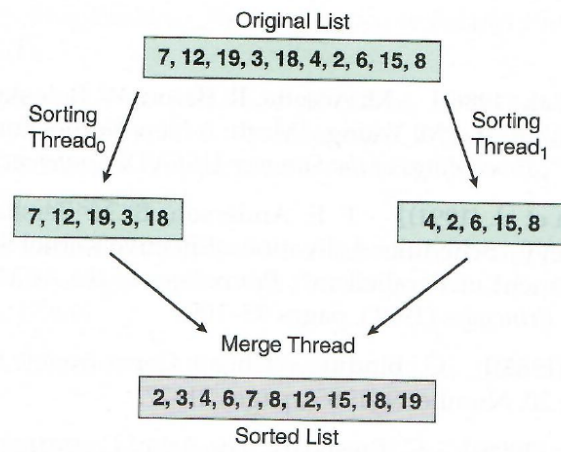


Figure 4.20 Multithreaded sorting.

The parent thread will output the sorted array once all sorting threads have exited.