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CSC 447: Parallel Programming
Lab VI (PThreads)

Problem 1: Scalar Product

Write a scalable parallel program that takes, as a command line argument, the name of a file containing an integer N and 2 vectors of integers of size N . Your program should calculate the Scalar Product of the two vectors, using PThreads.

Sample input:

3

11

20

7

42

10

23

Scalar Product:

$s = u.v = 823$

Problem 2: Finite differences

Description:

In a one-dimensional finite difference problem, we have a vector $X^{(0)}$ of size N and must compute $X^{(T)}$ where:

$$0 < i < N-1 \text{ and } 0 \leq t < T: X_i^{(t+1)} = (X_{i-1}^{(t+1)} + 2X_i^{(t)} + X_{i+1}^{(t)}) / 4$$

That is, we must repeatedly update each element of X , with no element being updated in step $t+1$ until its neighbors have been updated in step t .

Your program:

Write a scalable parallel program that takes, as a command line argument, the name of a file containing a value T (number of steps), followed by integer N , and an array X of size N considered as the initial vector (at step $t=0$). Your program should update the vector $X^{(0)}$ until reaching $X^{(T)}$.