

COMP 6xx (Fall 2021): project 2
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Project 2. Design and implementation of a parallel sort algorithm using OpenMP:

Answer: I used *C programming* language:

For implementing this program, I used *mergesort algorithm*, and for the array, I asked user to insert the size of array, then the program make an array with the random elements.

Mergesort is one of the most popular sorting techniques. It is the typical example for demonstrating the divide-and-conquer paradigm.

Mergesort has the worst-case serial growth as $O(n \log n)$.

Sorting an array: $A[p .. r]$ using *mergesort* involves three steps:

- *Divide Step*
- *Conquer Step*
- *Combine Step*

We can parallelize the “conquer” step where the array is recursively sorted amongst the left and right subarrays. We can ‘parallelly’ sort the left and the right subarrays.

In what follows, you are going to see the *main* implementation:

Here I ask user to put the array size, and there is some codes to show the elements of sorted array and the time of implementation for seral and parallel functions.

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openMP-project2.c
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include "omp.h"
4
5  void mergesort_parallel(int a[],int i,int j);
6  void merge_sorted(int a[], int p, int q, int r);
7  void mergesort_serial(int a[],int i,int j);
8
9  int main()
10 {
11     printf("Enter the size of the data to be sorted (the maximum value is 100000, enter 0 to end) : ");
12     int *a, num, i;
13     scanf("%d",&num);
14
15     a = (int *)malloc(sizeof(int) * num);
16
17     for (i = 0; i < num; i++) {
18         a[i] = rand() % 1000 + 1;
19     }
20
21     double start_time = omp_get_wtime();
22     mergesort_parallel(a,0,num-1);
23     double end_time = omp_get_wtime();
24     double time_used = end_time - start_time;
25     printf("\nParallel time: %f s\n\n", time_used);
26
27     double start_time1 = omp_get_wtime();
28     mergesort_serial(a,0,num-1);
29     double end_time1 = omp_get_wtime();
30     double time_used1 = end_time1 - start_time1;
31     printf("\nSerial time: %f s\n\n", time_used1);
32
33     printf("\nSorted array :\n");
34     for(i=0;i<num;i++)
35         printf("%d ",a[i]);
36
37     return 0;
38 }
39

```

Now, the following function is the implementation of **Serial Mergesort**:

```

void mergesort_serial(int a[],int i,int j)
{
    int mid;

    if(i<j)
    {
        mid=(i+j)/2;
        mergesort_serial(a,i,mid);           //left recursion
        mergesort_serial(a,mid+1,j);        //right recursion
        merge_sorted(a,i, mid, j);          //merging of two sorted sub-arrays
    }
}

```

As you can see on Serial merge sort, we have another function that is called ***merge_sorted()***. Its task is to merge two subarrays $a[i..mid]$ and $a[mid+1..j]$ to create a sorted array $a[i..j]$. So the inputs to the function are a , i , mid and j .

The merge function works as follows:

1. Create copies of the subarrays $L \leftarrow A[p..q]$ and $M \leftarrow A[q+1..r]$.
2. Create three pointers i , j and k

- i maintains current index of L, starting at 1
 - j maintains current index of M, starting at 1
 - k maintains the current index of A[p..q], starting at p.
3. Until we reach the end of either L or M, pick the larger among the elements from L and M and place them in the correct position at A[p..q]
 4. When we run out of elements in either L or M, pick up the remaining elements and put in A[p..q]

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111 // Merge two subarrays L and M into arr
112 void merge_sorted(int a[], int p, int q, int r) {
113
114     // Create L ← A[p..q] and M ← A[q+1..r]
115     int n1 = q - p + 1;
116     int n2 = r - q;
117
118     int L[n1], M[n2];
119
120     for (int i = 0; i < n1; i++)
121         L[i] = a[p + i];
122     for (int j = 0; j < n2; j++)
123         M[j] = a[q + 1 + j];
124
125     // Maintain current index of sub-arrays and main array
126     int i, j, k;
127     i = 0;
128     j = 0;
129     k = p;
130
131     // Until we reach either end of either L or M, pick larger among
132     // elements L and M and place them in the correct position at A[p..r]
133     while (i < n1 && j < n2) {
134         if (L[i] <= M[j]) {
135             a[k] = L[i];
136             i++;
137         } else {
138             a[k] = M[j];
139             j++;
140         }
141         k++;
142     }
143
144     // When we run out of elements in either L or M,
145     // pick up the remaining elements and put in A[p..r]
146     while (i < n1) {
147         a[k] = L[i];
148         i++;
149         k++;
150     }
151
152     while (j < n2) {
153         a[k] = M[j];
154         j++;
155         k++;
156     }
157 }
158

```

Parallelizing Merge Sort Through OpenMP

The parallelizable region is the “conquer” part. We need to make sure that the left and the right sub-arrays are sorted simultaneously. We need to implement both left and right sections in parallel. This can be done in OpenMP using directive:

#pragma omp parallel sections

And each section that has to be parallelized should be enclosed with the directive:


#pragma omp section

Now, let's work on parallelizing both sections through OpenMP:

```
39
40 void mergesort_parallel(int a[],int i,int j)
41 {
42     int mid;
43
44     if(i<j)
45     {
46         mid=(i+j)/2;
47
48         #pragma omp parallel sections
49         {
50
51             #pragma omp section
52             {
53                 mergesort_parallel(a,i,mid);           //left recursion
54             }
55
56             #pragma omp section
57             {
58                 mergesort_parallel(a,mid+1,j);         //right recursion
59             }
60         }
61
62         // merge(a,i,mid,mid+1,j); //merging of two sorted sub-arrays
63         merge_sorted(a,i, mid, j);
64     }
65 }
66
```

At the end, I am going to run this program for some different size of array:

1. n= 50

```
Line: 41 Col: 15 |   
Enter the size of the data to be sorted (the maximum value is 100000, enter 0 to  
end) : 50  
  
Serial time: 0.000463 s  
  
Parallel time: 0.000007 s  
  
Sorted array :  
43 74 92 98 100 150 158 166 170 195 229 250 268 273 279 304 328 336 337 358 394  
441 486 493 504 513 545 561 580 613 634 659 673 710 710 730 746 808 811 817  
822 827 841 879 924 931 934 968 980 988  
  
Program ended with exit code: 0|
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2. n= 1000

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Enter the size of the data to be sorted (the maximum value is 100000, enter 0 to  
end) : 1000  
  
Serial time: 0.000875 s  
  
Parallel time: 0.000229 s  
  
Sorted array :  
1 1 1 2 4 5 7 7 7 9 9 9 10 11 11 12 12 13 14 15 15 15 15 16 16 16 17 20 20 25 25  
26 27 29 29 29 30 30 32 33 34 34 35 36 36 38 39 40 41 43 43 44 45 45 46 46 47  
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90 91 92 92 93 95 95 95 96 97 98 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 104 106 107 108 108  
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3. n= 50,000

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Enter the size of the data to be sorted (the maximum value is 100000, enter 0 to end) : 50000
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Serial time: 0.016637 s
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Parallel time: 0.006736 s
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Sorted array :
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1 1 1 2 4 5 7 7 7 9 9 9 10 11 11 12 12 13 14 15 15 15 15 16 16 16 17 20 20 25 25
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