OS Laboratory - 5 Report

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1. Image Transformations:

Two transformation were used:

a. Grayscale Conversion (T1)

Here we convert a color image into a grayscale image, by converting RGB values of a pixel to a single grayscale value.

b. Edge Detection (T2)

Here we detect edges by taking the grayscale image as input. By convolving the image matrix with a filter(taken stride=1,w=3,h=3) we can get the edge detected image.

2. Method used to prove pixel correctness

By using the command diff provided in linux, we can find the difference between two files i.e.. whether the two files are similar or not!

Motivation: For each of the methods (in parts 1,2_1a,2_1b,...) the output ppm file after doing grayscale and edge detection remains the same.

Command : diff <out_img1.ppm> <out_img2.ppm>

3. Run-time and speed-up

Part	Time Taken (s)
Part 1	0.262
Part 2_1a	0.247
Part 2_1b	0.246
Part 2_2	0.222
Part 2_3	0.267

Part 1 is taking the highest time among all. It is because of sequential execution of transformations.

Part 2:, here there is a sharing of transformed data between both threads. So, they execute a bit faster than previous.

Part 2: 2, Here both processes use shared memory, where, when one process writes something in the memory then it can be read by the other process at same time.

Part 2:3, Here we use pipes, this is slower than a shared memory situation because to read, the process has to wait till the pipe becomes full.

4. Ease of Each Approach

Part 1:

The part 1 is easy of all the other parts and subparts. Here we just had to read the image and perform calculations on the input matrix.

Part 2_1a & Part 2_1b:

It was easy to implement, Here we just need to be careful while adding lines of code like semaphores/locks or while loops and also the main problem is we should carefully pass the arguments of functions since this section involves many function calls.

Part 2_2:

This part is a hard one, as I had to create a shared memory, and help processes communicate through that.It involved many segmentation faults which were cleared by passing integers through character arrays(check code).

Part 2_3:

This process is also a hard one, Here we need to create a pipe and consider all the cases like when the pipe becomes empty,full,....We parallelize it by sending each row from the *grayScale* function to the *EdgeDetection* function when it's done getting values.

Output Image: (Chess Board is the Input)

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