

MICS6002C-Assignment 1

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1. Description of Single-threaded Version

The original single-threaded program initializes four $N \times N$ integer matrices with pseudorandom values and performs four matrix multiplications (index 0×1 , 1×2 , 2×3 , 1×3), accumulating the sum of all resulting elements modulo 10,000,000 and printing the final total.

2. Runtime Experimental Results

To evaluate the performance difference, both the single-threaded and multithreaded versions were compiled with identical options and executed multiple times on the same machine. The average runtimes over 10 runs were measured using the `time` command. The results, summarized in the table below, clearly show that the multithreaded implementation achieves a substantial reduction in execution time compared to the single-threaded version.

- The system is equipped with dual Intel Xeon Platinum 8378A processors (x86_64), providing 64 cores and 128 threads at 3.0 GHz.
- Compile command:

```
1 > g++ -std=c++14 -O2 -pthread -o multi multi.cpp
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Averaged over 10 runs	Single-threaded	Multithreaded (4 threads)
Real Runtime (s)	2.791	0.793
User CPU Time (s)	2.779	2.859
System CPU Time (s)	0.005	0.012
Speedup(\times)	–	3.52

Table 1: Runtime Comparison

The multithreaded run achieved a $3.52\times$ speedup. However, the User CPU time is less than four times the Real time, indicating incomplete parallel scaling across the four threads, unlike the single-threaded case where User and Real time nearly coincide.

3. Description of Multithreaded Version

Each of the four threads multiplies two matrices and stores partial results in `sum`. After computing, the threads acquire a `mutex` to safely update the shared global `total`.