

INFO 6205

Program Structures & Algorithms

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Assignment 5 - Parallel Sorting

Output:

For array size = 2,000,000

Degree of parallelism: 3

cutoff : 1000000	depth0 Avg. Time:1510ms	cutoff : 31250	depth0 Avg. Time:1141ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth1 Avg. Time:1143ms	cutoff : 31250	depth1 Avg. Time:1137ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth2 Avg. Time:1711ms	cutoff : 31250	depth2 Avg. Time:1220ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth3 Avg. Time:1733ms	cutoff : 31250	depth3 Avg. Time:1609ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth4 Avg. Time:1771ms	cutoff : 31250	depth4 Avg. Time:1525ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth5 Avg. Time:1748ms	cutoff : 31250	depth5 Avg. Time:1489ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth6 Avg. Time:1618ms	cutoff : 31250	depth6 Avg. Time:1416ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth7 Avg. Time:1677ms	cutoff : 31250	depth7 Avg. Time:1426ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth8 Avg. Time:1710ms	cutoff : 31250	depth8 Avg. Time:1462ms
cutoff : 500000	depth0 Avg. Time:1129ms	cutoff : 15625	depth0 Avg. Time:1162ms
cutoff : 500000	depth1 Avg. Time:1113ms	cutoff : 15625	depth1 Avg. Time:1200ms
cutoff : 500000	depth2 Avg. Time:1651ms	cutoff : 15625	depth2 Avg. Time:1280ms
cutoff : 500000	depth3 Avg. Time:1560ms	cutoff : 15625	depth3 Avg. Time:1537ms
cutoff : 500000	depth4 Avg. Time:1600ms	cutoff : 15625	depth4 Avg. Time:1462ms
cutoff : 500000	depth5 Avg. Time:1554ms	cutoff : 15625	depth5 Avg. Time:1444ms
cutoff : 500000	depth6 Avg. Time:1563ms	cutoff : 15625	depth6 Avg. Time:1520ms
cutoff : 500000	depth7 Avg. Time:1497ms	cutoff : 15625	depth7 Avg. Time:1586ms
cutoff : 500000	depth8 Avg. Time:1563ms	cutoff : 15625	depth8 Avg. Time:1542ms
cutoff : 250000	depth0 Avg. Time:1193ms	cutoff : 7812	depth0 Avg. Time:1186ms
cutoff : 250000	depth1 Avg. Time:1124ms	cutoff : 7812	depth1 Avg. Time:1208ms
cutoff : 250000	depth2 Avg. Time:1252ms	cutoff : 7812	depth2 Avg. Time:1372ms
cutoff : 250000	depth3 Avg. Time:1548ms	cutoff : 7812	depth3 Avg. Time:1581ms
cutoff : 250000	depth4 Avg. Time:1478ms	cutoff : 7812	depth4 Avg. Time:1635ms
cutoff : 250000	depth5 Avg. Time:1499ms	cutoff : 7812	depth5 Avg. Time:1470ms
cutoff : 250000	depth6 Avg. Time:1470ms	cutoff : 7812	depth6 Avg. Time:1525ms
cutoff : 250000	depth7 Avg. Time:1548ms	cutoff : 7812	depth7 Avg. Time:1550ms
cutoff : 250000	depth8 Avg. Time:1467ms	cutoff : 7812	depth8 Avg. Time:1659ms
cutoff : 125000	depth0 Avg. Time:1137ms	cutoff : 3906	depth0 Avg. Time:1129ms
cutoff : 125000	depth1 Avg. Time:1137ms	cutoff : 3906	depth1 Avg. Time:1146ms
cutoff : 125000	depth2 Avg. Time:1227ms	cutoff : 3906	depth2 Avg. Time:1216ms
cutoff : 125000	depth3 Avg. Time:1554ms	cutoff : 3906	depth3 Avg. Time:1537ms
cutoff : 125000	depth4 Avg. Time:1460ms	cutoff : 3906	depth4 Avg. Time:1594ms
cutoff : 125000	depth5 Avg. Time:1439ms	cutoff : 3906	depth5 Avg. Time:1435ms
cutoff : 125000	depth6 Avg. Time:1425ms	cutoff : 3906	depth6 Avg. Time:1438ms
cutoff : 125000	depth7 Avg. Time:1457ms	cutoff : 3906	depth7 Avg. Time:1487ms
cutoff : 125000	depth8 Avg. Time:1438ms	cutoff : 3906	depth8 Avg. Time:1546ms
cutoff : 62500	depth0 Avg. Time:1133ms	cutoff : 1953	depth0 Avg. Time:1173ms
cutoff : 62500	depth1 Avg. Time:1164ms	cutoff : 1953	depth1 Avg. Time:1131ms
cutoff : 62500	depth2 Avg. Time:1270ms	cutoff : 1953	depth2 Avg. Time:1248ms
cutoff : 62500	depth3 Avg. Time:1567ms	cutoff : 1953	depth3 Avg. Time:1540ms
cutoff : 62500	depth4 Avg. Time:1483ms	cutoff : 1953	depth4 Avg. Time:1464ms
cutoff : 62500	depth5 Avg. Time:1408ms	cutoff : 1953	depth5 Avg. Time:1476ms
cutoff : 62500	depth6 Avg. Time:1454ms	cutoff : 1953	depth6 Avg. Time:1455ms
cutoff : 62500	depth7 Avg. Time:1464ms	cutoff : 1953	depth7 Avg. Time:1519ms
cutoff : 62500	depth8 Avg. Time:1434ms	cutoff : 1953	depth8 Avg. Time:1556ms

For array size 4,000,000

Degree of parallelism: 3

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For array size 8,000,000

Degree of parallelism: 3

cutoff : 1000000	depth0	Avg. Time: 7208ms	cutoff : 125000	depth0	Avg. Time: 5483ms	cutoff : 15625	depth0	Avg. Time: 5340ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth1	Avg. Time: 5437ms	cutoff : 125000	depth1	Avg. Time: 5049ms	cutoff : 15625	depth1	Avg. Time: 5727ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth2	Avg. Time: 8157ms	cutoff : 125000	depth2	Avg. Time: 5735ms	cutoff : 15625	depth2	Avg. Time: 5831ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth3	Avg. Time: 7994ms	cutoff : 125000	depth3	Avg. Time: 7145ms	cutoff : 15625	depth3	Avg. Time: 7339ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth4	Avg. Time: 8009ms	cutoff : 125000	depth4	Avg. Time: 6659ms	cutoff : 15625	depth4	Avg. Time: 7301ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth5	Avg. Time: 7181ms	cutoff : 125000	depth5	Avg. Time: 6515ms	cutoff : 15625	depth5	Avg. Time: 7614ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth6	Avg. Time: 7322ms	cutoff : 125000	depth6	Avg. Time: 9504ms	cutoff : 15625	depth6	Avg. Time: 7610ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth7	Avg. Time: 7395ms	cutoff : 125000	depth7	Avg. Time: 8840ms	cutoff : 15625	depth7	Avg. Time: 7361ms
cutoff : 1000000	depth8	Avg. Time: 6636ms	cutoff : 125000	depth8	Avg. Time: 6933ms	cutoff : 15625	depth8	Avg. Time: 7869ms
cutoff : 500000	depth0	Avg. Time: 4930ms	cutoff : 62500	depth0	Avg. Time: 5496ms	cutoff : 7812	depth0	Avg. Time: 5361ms
cutoff : 500000	depth1	Avg. Time: 5012ms	cutoff : 62500	depth1	Avg. Time: 5197ms	cutoff : 7812	depth1	Avg. Time: 5729ms
cutoff : 500000	depth2	Avg. Time: 5281ms	cutoff : 62500	depth2	Avg. Time: 5901ms	cutoff : 7812	depth2	Avg. Time: 6036ms
cutoff : 500000	depth3	Avg. Time: 7074ms	cutoff : 62500	depth3	Avg. Time: 7715ms	cutoff : 7812	depth3	Avg. Time: 7578ms
cutoff : 500000	depth4	Avg. Time: 6961ms	cutoff : 62500	depth4	Avg. Time: 7549ms	cutoff : 7812	depth4	Avg. Time: 6839ms
cutoff : 500000	depth5	Avg. Time: 6766ms	cutoff : 62500	depth5	Avg. Time: 7523ms	cutoff : 7812	depth5	Avg. Time: 6514ms
cutoff : 500000	depth6	Avg. Time: 7315ms	cutoff : 62500	depth6	Avg. Time: 7319ms	cutoff : 7812	depth6	Avg. Time: 7002ms
cutoff : 500000	depth7	Avg. Time: 6625ms	cutoff : 62500	depth7	Avg. Time: 6786ms	cutoff : 7812	depth7	Avg. Time: 6489ms
cutoff : 500000	depth8	Avg. Time: 6576ms	cutoff : 62500	depth8	Avg. Time: 7599ms	cutoff : 7812	depth8	Avg. Time: 6946ms
cutoff : 250000	depth0	Avg. Time: 5351ms	cutoff : 31250	depth0	Avg. Time: 5716ms	cutoff : 3906	depth0	Avg. Time: 5055ms
cutoff : 250000	depth1	Avg. Time: 5611ms	cutoff : 31250	depth1	Avg. Time: 5428ms	cutoff : 3906	depth1	Avg. Time: 5429ms
cutoff : 250000	depth2	Avg. Time: 6043ms	cutoff : 31250	depth2	Avg. Time: 6621ms	cutoff : 3906	depth2	Avg. Time: 5701ms
cutoff : 250000	depth3	Avg. Time: 7053ms	cutoff : 31250	depth3	Avg. Time: 6890ms	cutoff : 3906	depth3	Avg. Time: 7788ms
cutoff : 250000	depth4	Avg. Time: 7055ms	cutoff : 31250	depth4	Avg. Time: 6666ms	cutoff : 3906	depth4	Avg. Time: 7138ms
cutoff : 250000	depth5	Avg. Time: 6376ms	cutoff : 31250	depth5	Avg. Time: 6631ms	cutoff : 3906	depth5	Avg. Time: 6987ms
cutoff : 250000	depth6	Avg. Time: 6867ms	cutoff : 31250	depth6	Avg. Time: 7109ms	cutoff : 3906	depth6	Avg. Time: 6920ms
cutoff : 250000	depth7	Avg. Time: 6373ms	cutoff : 31250	depth7	Avg. Time: 7417ms	cutoff : 3906	depth7	Avg. Time: 7655ms
cutoff : 250000	depth8	Avg. Time: 7085ms	cutoff : 31250	depth8	Avg. Time: 7505ms	cutoff : 3906	depth8	Avg. Time: 7535ms
cutoff : 1953	depth0	Avg. Time: 8248ms						
cutoff : 1953	depth1	Avg. Time: 6797ms						
cutoff : 1953	depth2	Avg. Time: 6525ms						
cutoff : 1953	depth3	Avg. Time: 6757ms						
cutoff : 1953	depth4	Avg. Time: 6834ms						
cutoff : 1953	depth5	Avg. Time: 6850ms						
cutoff : 1953	depth6	Avg. Time: 7312ms						
cutoff : 1953	depth7	Avg. Time: 9873ms						
cutoff : 1953	depth8	Avg. Time: 9675ms						

Conclusion:

- Cutoff

I start the cutoff from 1,000,000 and make it half each time till it reaches 1953.

There's no significance difference in different cutoff with the same array size and the same depth.

- Recursion depth

Recursion depth d has a relationship with the number of available threads t :

$$t = 2^d$$

Note that given cutoff and array size, the max depth possible is

$$\lg (\text{array size} / \text{cutoff})$$

Any depth larger than this max depth is meaningless because the partitioned arrays already hit the cutoff and turn into system sort.

I set all depth have to be smaller than 9, so every cases will run from depth 0 to depth 8. As I mentioned above, when the partitioned array hits the cutoff, the deeper recursion will be meaningless. For example, assume we have an array with size 2,000,000. If the cutoff is 1,000,000, according to the formula above, the max depth will be 1. That is to say we can ignore the depth larger than 1 in this case because the array has already hit the cutoff and turn to system sort. Detailed computing in Evidence.

I find that in 3 different array size cases, and with different cutoff value. As long as the depth is 0 or 1, the sorting has the greatest performance.

Evidence:

First, according to the formula $\text{max depth} = \lg (\text{array size} / \text{cutoff})$, we can ignore the depth larger than this max depth.

Cutoff	Array Size	Max Depth
1,000,000	2,000,000	1
500,000	2,000,000	2
250,000	2,000,000	3
125,000	2,000,000	4
62,500	2,000,000	5
31,250	2,000,000	6
15,625	2,000,000	7
7,812	2,000,000	8

Cutoff	Array Size	Max Depth
1,000,000	4,000,000	2
500,000	4,000,000	3
250,000	4,000,000	4
125,000	4,000,000	5
62,500	4,000,000	6
31,250	4,000,000	7
15,625	4,000,000	8

Cutoff	Array Size	Max Depth
1,000,000	8,000,000	3
500,000	8,000,000	4
250,000	8,000,000	5
125,000	8,000,000	6
62,500	8,000,000	7
31,250	8,000,000	8

Second, as long as the depth is 0 or 1, the sorting has the greatest performance.

Take array size 2,000,000 for example.

Cutoff	Max Depth	Time(ms)
1,000,000	0	1510
1,000,000	1	1143
500,000	0	1129
500,000	1	1113
250,000	0	1193
250,000	1	1124
125,000	0	1137
125,000	1	1137
62,500	0	1133
62,500	1	1164
31,250	0	1143
31,250	1	1137
15,625	0	1162
15,625	1	1200
7,812	0	1186
7,812	1	1208

3,906	0	1129
3,906	1	1146
1,953	0	1173
1,953	1	1131