

# Assignment

## CS 766 Programming Assignment

**Assignment :** Verifying program under sequential consistency

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## 1 Background

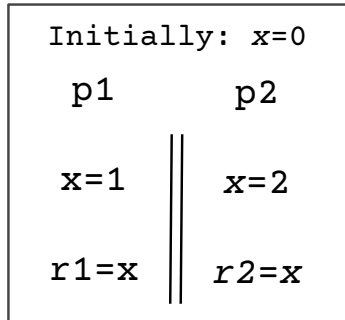


Figure 1: A sample program

**Concurrent Program:** Concurrent program  $\mathbf{P}$  contains fixed number of processes  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$ . Each process contains **write** or **read** instructions. **write** instructions are of form  $x = d$ , where  $x$  is global variable and  $d$  is an integer. **read** instructions are of form  $r = x$ , where  $r$  is local register and  $x$  is global variable.

**Sequential Execution** An execution is sequence of instructions. An execution is sequential iff all read instructions read values from latest write instructions. For an execution  $E$   $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$ , where  $e_i = \{\text{write or read}\}$  instruction,  $in_E(e)$  denotes the index of instruction  $e$  in the Execution  $E$ .

An execution  $E$  is sequential iff (i) every read instruction,  $r = x$ , reads value of global variable  $x$  from the write instruction  $x = d_1$  (this can be initial value, assume that all global variables are initialized with 0 ) where  $in_E(r = x) < in_E(x = d_1)$ , and (ii) if  $r = x$  reads from  $x = d_1$  then for all write instructions  $x = d_2$  we have either  $in_E(x = d_2) < in_E(x = d_1)$  or  $in_E(r = x) < in_E(x = d_2)$ .

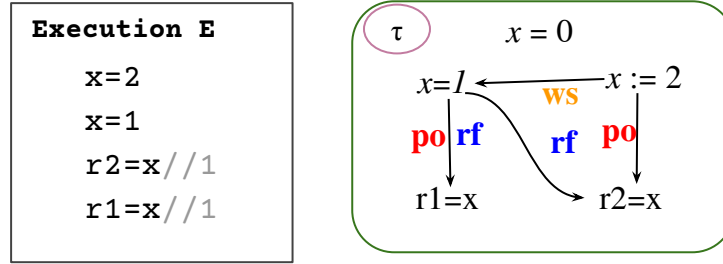


Figure 2: An execution and corresponding trace

**Trace** We can represent executions using traces. A trace  $\tau$  is tuple  $(S_I, po, rf, ws)$ , where  $S_I$  is set of instructions,  $po$  (program order),  $rf$  (read-from) and  $ws$  (write serialization also called coherence order) are binary relations on instructions in  $S_I$ . These relations are defined as follows:

- $e[po]e'$  : instructions  $e$  and  $e'$  belong to same process  $p$  and  $e$  appear before  $e'$  in  $p$ .  $po$  totally orders instructions of each individual process.
- $e[rf]e'$  :  $e$  is write instruction and  $e'$  is read instruction on the same variable and  $e'$  obtains its value form  $e$ .  $rf^{-1}$  is inverse of  $rf$  relation.
- $e[ws]e'$  :  $ws$  (write serialization) relates two write instructions on same variable.  $e[ws^x]e'$  denotes that  $e$  and  $e'$  are write instructions  $x$ . If  $e[ws^x]e'$ , then all processes agree that  $e$  happened-before  $e'$ .  $ws = \bigcup_x ws^x$ .
- We also define relation  $fr = \bigcup_x fr^x$  where  $fr^x = (rf^x)^{-1}; ws^x$ .

**Valid trace** A trace  $\tau = (S_I, po, rf, ws)$  is valid trace iff  $(po \cup rf \cup ws \cup fr)$  is acyclic. Figure 2 gives an sequential execution and corresponding valid trace for the program given in figure 1.

## 2 Assignment

Your task will be to develop a tiny software tool that takes program as input and outputs all valid traces.

Input program can have assert statement in it. If there exists a sequential execution(valid trace) that violates the assert statement, then your tool should stop exploring traces and output the result as “Assertion violation” and display this trace.

*Extras, Not mandatory: [You can optimize your algorithm by exploring only one trace per  $rf$ -equivalence class of traces. Two traces  $\tau_1 = (S_I, \textcolor{red}{po}_1, \textcolor{blue}{rf}_1, \textcolor{green}{ws}_1)$  and  $\tau_2 = (S_I, \textcolor{red}{po}_2, \textcolor{blue}{rf}_2, \textcolor{green}{ws}_2)$  are  $rf$ -equivalent if  $\textcolor{red}{po}_1 = \textcolor{red}{po}_2$  and  $\textcolor{blue}{rf}_1 = \textcolor{blue}{rf}_2$ .]*

**Example 1 :** Consider that program shown in figure 1 is input program. Output for this input program can be:

- 1: Trace:  $[x = 1, r1 = x, x = 2, r2 = x]$  , rf relation:  $[[x = 1, r1 = x], [x = 2, r2 = x]]$ , co relation:  $[[x = 2, x = 1]]$
- 2: Trace:  $[x = 1, r1 = x, x = 2, r2 = x]$ , rf relation:  $[[x = 1, r1 = x], [x = 2, r2 = x]]$ , co relation:  $[[x = 1, x = 2]]$
- 3: Trace:  $[x = 1, x = 2, r1 = x, r2 = x]$ , rf relation:  $[[x = 2, r1 = x], [x = 2, r2 = x]]$ , co relation:  $[[x = 1, x = 2]]$
- 4: Trace:  $[x = 2, x = 1, r1 = x, r2 = x]$ , rf relation:  $[[x = 1, r1 = x], [x = 1, r2 = x]]$ , co relation:  $[[x = 2, x = 1]]$

You can output traces and  $rf$ ,  $ws$  relations in any order. But, ensure that each trace is valid trace and you do not repeat same trace(having same  $rf$ ,  $ws$  relations).

**Example 1 :** Consider that program shown in figure 1 is input program and it has an assert statement, `assert(r2!= 1)`. Then your tool should output following:

**Assertion Violation :**

Violating Trace:  $[x = 2, x = 1, r1 = x, r2 = x]$ , rf relation:  $[[x = 1, r1 = x], [x = 1, r2 = x]]$ , co relation:  $[[x = 2, x = 1]]$

### 2.1 Input Format:

First line of input is number of processes,  $n$ . Then next  $n$  lines contain instructions form the each process. Then next line will be integer  $A$ . If  $A$  is 1 then the next line will contain assert statement.

If  $A$  is 0 then there will be no assert statement for the given program. Assert statement can have logical 'and', 'or' operators, e.g. `assert(r2!= 1 and r4!= 2)`.

*Input Example 1:* The program given in the figure 1 will be presented in following format:

```
2
x=1;r1=x;
x=2;r2=x;
0
```

*Input Example 2:* The program given in the figure 1 with the assert statement, `assert(r2!= 1)` will be presented in following format:

```
2
x=1;r1=x;
x=2;r2=x;
1
assert(r2!= 1)
```

*Input Example 3:*

```
4
x=2;y=1;
y=2;z=1;
z=2;x=1;
r1=x;r2=y;r3=z;
1
assert(r1!= 1 or r2!= 1 or r3!= 1)
```

## 2.2 Output Format

*Output 1* One of the correct outputs for Input example 1.

No. of traces = 4

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1-: Trace: [x = 1, r1 = x, x = 2, r2 = x] , rf relation: [[x = 1, r1 =
x], [x = 2, r2 = x]], co relation: [[x = 2, x = 1]]
2-: Trace: [x = 1, r1 = x, x = 2, r2 = x], rf relation: [[x = 1, r1 =
x], [x = 2, r2 = x]], co relation: [[x = 1, x = 2]]
3-: Trace: [x = 1, x = 2, r1 = x, r2 = x], rf relation: [[x = 2, r1 =
x], [x = 2, r2 = x]], co relation: [[x = 1, x = 2]]
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4-: Trace:  $[x = 2, x = 1, r1 = x, r2 = x]$ , rf relation:  $[[x = 1, r1 = x], [x = 1, r2 = x]]$ , co relation:  $[[x = 2, x = 1]]$

*Output 2* Output for sample input 2.

Error: Assertion Violation

Violating Trace:  $[x = 2, x = 1, r1 = x, r2 = x]$ , rf relation:  $[[x = 1, r1 = x], [x = 1, r2 = x]]$ , co relation:  $[[x = 2, x = 1]]$

## 2.3 Input Constraints

1.  $1 \leq n \leq 10$ .
2. Maximum number of instruction per process = 4
3. Fixed global variables:  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .
4. Maximum number of local registers in the input program = 10
5. Each read instruction can obtain its value from max 4 write instruction. So, if there is read instruction,  $r = x$ , then it can obtain value of  $x$  from max 4 write instructions on variable  $x$ .
6. Initially  $x=0$ ,  $y=0$ ,  $z=0$ . (Global variables are initialized with zero.)

## 2.4 Task

Students will develop the tool in python. **Students can form group of 2-3 students to complete the assignment.** Along with the code, students need to submit a document(pdf file), describing their algorithm and approach followed. If you complete the assignment in group then mention name and roll no. of all members in the document.

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**Submission Format:** Students should develop the tool in python language. The driver file(which accepts the input program and outputs the traces) should be named as `trace.py`. You can create other files as per your approach(algorithm).

You need to submit the solution to assignment as the zip file, which

contains all python files(including driver file, `trace.py`) and pdf file(document where you describe your approach and algorithm). Name the zip file as `< your – roll – no >.zip` (for groups with 2-3 students, mention roll no. of the any member.)

**Marks:** Working tool: 14 marks, Document(pdf): 6 marks.