

Concurrency

x86.py

① ./x86.py -p loop.s -t 1 -i 100 -R dx

No value given for dx register,
so its zero.

After the first run, value becomes
"-1" and halts.

dx	Thread 0
0	
-1	1000 sub \$1,%dx
-1	1001 test \$0,%dx
-1	1002 jgte .top
-1	1003 halt

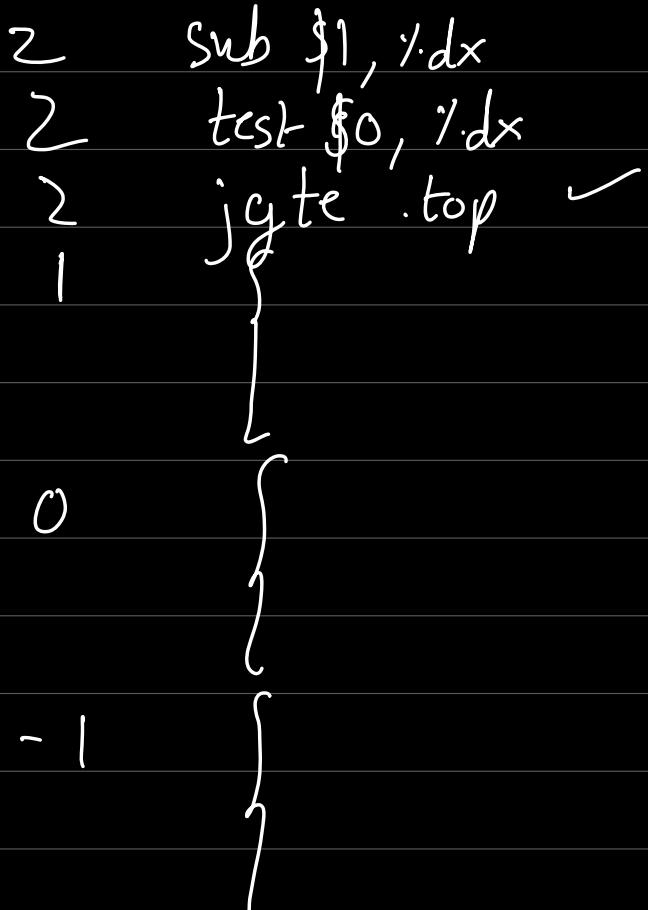
② ./x86.py -p loop.s -t 2 -i 100 -adx=3,
dx=3 -R dx.

Thread 0
dx = 3

Thread 1
dx = 3

Presence multiple threads won't
change anything here because

"interrupt switch" is set to 100,
the no. of instructions for lvalue
of loop is 3
 $\frac{dx}{3}$



halt

instructions < 100 (interrupt interval)

Thread 1

same (since $dx=3$ for thread 1 too)

No race condition.

dx	Thread 0	Thread 1
3		
2	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
2	1001 test \$0,%dx	
2	1002 jgte .top	
1	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
1	1001 test \$0,%dx	
1	1002 jgte .top	
0	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
0	1001 test \$0,%dx	
0	1002 jgte .top	
-1	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
-1	1001 test \$0,%dx	
-1	1002 jgte .top	
-1	1003 halt	
3	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
2	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
2	1001 test \$0,%dx	
2	1002 jgte .top	
1	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
1	1001 test \$0,%dx	
1	1002 jgte .top	
0	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
0	1001 test \$0,%dx	
0	1002 jgte .top	
-1	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
-1	1001 test \$0,%dx	
-1	1002 jgte .top	
-1	1003 halt	

③ `./x86.py -p loop.s -t 2 -i 3 -r -addr=3,
-R dx`

Now interrupt interval is low, so
it will switch between threads

with different "dx" values.

dx	Thread 0	Thread 1
3		
2	{	
2		
2	}	
3	... - - - - - - -	interrupt - - -
2		{
2		
2		}
2	--- interrupt - - - - -	
1	{ sub	
1	{ test	
2	-- interrupt - - - - - - -	{ sub
1		
1	- . . . interrupt - - - -	
1	{ jg te. top	
0	{ sub	
1	-- interrupt - - - - -	{ test
1		{ jg te

0 --- interrupt - - - - -

0 } test
0 } jgte
-1 { sub

Again no race , since dx reg maintained per thread .

with seed = 0

dx	Thread 0	Thread 1
3		
2	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
2	1001 test \$0,%dx	
2	1002 jgte .top	
3	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2		1000 sub \$1,%dx
2		1001 test \$0,%dx
2		1002 jgte .top
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
1	1001 test \$0,%dx	
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1000 sub \$1,%dx
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		
1	1002 jgte .top	
0	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1001 test \$0,%dx
1		1002 jgte .top
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0	1001 test \$0,%dx	
0	1002 jgte .top	
-1	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0		1000 sub \$1,%dx
-1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
-1	1001 test \$0,%dx	
-1	1002 jgte .top	
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0		1001 test \$0,%dx
0		1002 jgte .top
-1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
-1	1003 halt	
0	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
-1		1000 sub \$1,%dx
-1		1001 test \$0,%dx
-1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
-1		1002 jgte .top
-1		1003 halt

With seed = 1

	Thread 0	Thread 1
dx		
3	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2		1000 sub \$1,%dx
2		1001 test \$0,%dx
2		1002 jgte .top
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2	1001 test \$0,%dx	
2	1002 jgte .top	
1	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1000 sub \$1,%dx
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1001 test \$0,%dx	
1	1002 jgte .top	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1001 test \$0,%dx
1		1002 jgte .top
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
0	1001 test \$0,%dx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0		1000 sub \$1,%dx
0		1001 test \$0,%dx
0		1002 jgte .top
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0	1002 jgte .top	
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
-1		1000 sub \$1,%dx
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
-1	1000 sub \$1,%dx	
-1	1001 test \$0,%dx	
-1	1002 jgte .top	
-1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
-1		1001 test \$0,%dx
-1		1002 jgte .top
-1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
-1	1003 halt	
-1	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
-1		1003 halt

④ with looping-race-nolock.s and
thread = 1

Add
2000

Thread 0

```

O      mov 2000,%ax
D      add $1, %.ax
|
|      mov %.ax, 2000
|      sub $1, %bx (-1)
|      test $0, %bx (-1)
|
|      jgt .top X
|
V      halt

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⑤ ./x86.py -P looping-race-nolock.s -t 2
 -a bx=3 -M 2000

Each thread loops 3 times because "bx" register is not shared between threads unlike a specific addr location like 2000.

Default interrupt frequency = 50, so thread runs

Addr	Thread 0	Thread 1 to completion before switch
2000		
0	{	
0		
1		
	sub \$1, %bx (2)	

} test \$0 y.bx
 jgt .top 2>0 ✓
 . bx(1)
 . bx(0)x
 :
 - - - halt; switch - - -

4
 5
 6

{

	Thread 0	Thread 1
0	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
0	1001 add \$1, %ax	
1	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
1	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
1	1004 test \$0, %bx	
1	1005 jgt .top	
1	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
1	1001 add \$1, %ax	
2	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
2	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
2	1004 test \$0, %bx	
2	1005 jgt .top	
2	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
2	1001 add \$1, %ax	
3	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
3	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
3	1004 test \$0, %bx	
3	1005 jgt .top	
3	1006 halt	
3	----- Halt;Switch -----	
3	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
3	1001 add \$1, %ax	
4	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
4	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
4	1004 test \$0, %bx	
4	1005 jgt .top	
4	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
4	1001 add \$1, %ax	
5	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
5	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
5	1004 test \$0, %bx	
5	1005 jgt .top	
5	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
5	1001 add \$1, %ax	
6	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
6	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
6	1004 test \$0, %bx	
6	1005 jgt .top	
6	1006 halt	

⑥ with seed 0

interleaving is fine, doesn't interfere with the addition section but that doesn't really matter for the test instruction only that the final returned value at 2000 addr can be different if "add" instruction is interleaved but isn't in this run

Timing of the interrupt matter - Yes, with "2"/1"add" and "mov" is interleaved which can cause other thread to run to a point which updates "2000" addr to "1" and then this thread does same "1", instead of "2" affecting "value" final value.

Interleaving the "sub" and "test" doesn't cause any issues because both threads have their own values.

	Thread 0	Thread 1
2000		
0		
0	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
0	1001 add \$1, %ax	
1	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
1	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1000 mov 2000, %ax
1		1001 add \$1, %ax
2		1002 mov %ax, 2000
2		1003 sub \$1, %bx
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2	1004 test \$0, %bx	
2	1005 jgt .top	
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2		1004 test \$0, %bx
2		1005 jgt .top
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2	1006 halt	
2	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
2		1006 halt

seed=1, see with '1' interrupt interval change

	Thread 0	Thread 1
2000		
0		
0	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0		1000 mov 2000, %ax
0		1001 add \$1, %ax
1		1002 mov %ax, 2000
1		1003 sub \$1, %bx
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1001 add \$1, %ax	
1	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
1	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
1	1004 test \$0, %bx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1004 test \$0, %bx
1		1005 jgt .top
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1005 jgt .top	
1	1006 halt	
1	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1006 halt

Seed = 2

	Thread 0	Thread 1
2000		
0		
0	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
0	1001 add \$1, %ax	
1	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
1	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1000 mov 2000, %ax
1		1001 add \$1, %ax
2		1002 mov %ax, 2000
2		1003 sub \$1, %bx
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2	1004 test \$0, %bx	
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2		1004 test \$0, %bx
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2	1005 jgt .top	
2	1006 halt	
2	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
2		1005 jgt .top
2		1006 halt

with $i = 2$, (interrupt interval)

	Thread 0	Thread 1
2000		
0		
0	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
0	1001 add \$1, %ax	
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0		1000 mov 2000, %ax
0		1001 add \$1, %ax
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1002 mov %ax, 2000
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
1	1004 test \$0, %bx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1003 sub \$1, %bx
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1005 jgt .top	
1	1006 halt	
1	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1004 test \$0, %bx
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1005 jgt .top
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1006 halt

critical section

```
.main
.top
# critical section
mov 2000, %ax # get 'value' at address 2000
add $1, %ax # increment it
mov %ax, 2000 # store it back

# see if we're still looping
sub $1, %bx
test $0, %bx
jgt .top

halt
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⑦

	Thread 0	Thread 1
0		
0	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0		1000 mov 2000, %ax
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0	1001 add \$1, %ax	
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0		1001 add \$1, %ax
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1002 mov %ax, 2000
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1003 sub \$1, %bx
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1004 test \$0, %bx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1004 test \$0, %bx
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1005 jgt .top	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1005 jgt .top
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1006 halt	
1	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1006 halt

	Thread 0	Thread 1
2000		
0		
0	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
0	1001 add \$1, %ax	
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
0		1000 mov 2000, %ax
0		1001 add \$1, %ax
0	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1002 mov %ax, 2000	
1	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1002 mov %ax, 2000
1		1003 sub \$1, %bx
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1004 test \$0, %bx	
1	1005 jgt .top	
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1004 test \$0, %bx
1		1005 jgt .top
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1	1006 halt	
1	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
1		1006 halt

	Thread 0	Thread 1
2000		
0		
0	1000 mov 2000, %ax	
0	1001 add \$1, %ax	
1	1002 mov %ax, 2000	.
1	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
1		1000 mov 2000, %ax
1		1001 add \$1, %ax
2		1002 mov %ax, 2000
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2	1003 sub \$1, %bx	
2	1004 test \$0, %bx	
2	1005 jgt .top	
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2		1003 sub \$1, %bx
2		1004 test \$0, %bx
2		1005 jgt .top
2	----- Interrupt -----	----- Interrupt -----
2	1006 halt	
2	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
2		1006 halt

⑧

$i=4$, due to alignment we get

partial of
expected value

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149 ----- Interrupt ----- ----- Interrupt -----
149 1004 test $0, %bx
149 1005 jgt .top
149 1000 mov 2000, %ax
149 1001 add $1, %ax
149 ----- Interrupt -----
149 1004 test $0, %bx
149 1005 jgt .top
149 1000 mov 2000, %ax
149 1001 add $1, %ax
149 ----- Interrupt -----
150 1002 mov %ax, 2000
150 1003 sub $1, %bx
150 1004 test $0, %bx
150 1005 jgt .top
150 ----- Interrupt -----
150 1002 mov %ax, 2000
150 1003 sub $1, %bx
150 1004 test $0, %bx
150 1005 jgt .top
150 ----- Interrupt -----
150 1006 halt
150 ----- Halt;Switch -----
150 1006 halt
```

$i = 3$

```
198 ----- Interrupt ----- ----- Interrupt -----
198 1000 mov 2000, %ax
198 1001 add $1, %ax
199 1002 mov %ax, 2000
199 ----- Interrupt -----
199 1000 mov 2000, %ax
199 1001 add $1, %ax
200 1002 mov %ax, 2000
200 ----- Interrupt -----
200 1003 sub $1, %bx
200 1004 test $0, %bx
200 1005 jgt .top
200 ----- Interrupt -----
200 1003 sub $1, %bx
200 1004 test $0, %bx
200 1005 jgt .top
200 ----- Interrupt -----
200 1006 halt
200 ----- Halt;Switch -----
200 1006 halt
```

$i = 1, 2$

```
100 1002 mov %ax, 2000
100 1003 sub $1, %bx
100 ----- Interrupt ----- ----- Interrupt -----
100 1002 mov %ax, 2000
100 1003 sub $1, %bx
100 ----- Interrupt ----- ----- Interrupt -----
100 1004 test $0, %bx
100 1005 jgt .top
100 ----- Interrupt ----- ----- Interrupt -----
100 1004 test $0, %bx
100 1005 jgt .top
100 ----- Interrupt ----- ----- Interrupt -----
100 1006 halt
100 ----- Halt;Switch ----- ----- Halt;Switch -----
100 1006 halt
```

(q)

ax = 1

ax = 0

2000 ax Thread 0

Thread 1

0 1 test \$1, %ax
0 1 je .signaller
1 1 mov \$1, 2000
1 0 halt
1 0 ----- test \$1, %ax
1 0 je .signaller
1 0 .waiter
1 0 mov 2000, %cx
1 0 test \$1, %cx
1 0 jne .waiter
1 0 halt

		Thread 0	Thread 1
2000	ax		
0	1		
0	1	1000 test \$1, %ax	
0	1	1001 je .signaller	
1	1	1006 mov \$1, 2000	
1	1	1007 halt	
1	0	----- Halt;Switch -----	----- Halt;Switch -----
1	0		1000 test \$1, %ax
1	0		1001 je .signaller
1	0		1002 mov 2000, %cx
1	0		1003 test \$1, %cx
1	0		1004 jne .waiter
1	0		1005 halt

⑩ Switch ax inputs

$ax = 0$ $ax = 1$

2000 ax

0 0

0 0

0 0

0 0

0 0

0 0

Thread 0

test \$1, %ax

je .signaller X

.waiter

mov 2000, %cx

test \$1, %cx

jne .waiter

loops again
and again

until interrupt

frequency is
matched

- - - - -

0 |

- - - - -

test \$1, %ax

je .signaller

.signaller

mov \$1, 2000

halt

| |

| |

| 0

mov 2000, %cx

| 0

test \$1, %cx

| 0

jne .waiter X

() halt

with $i = 1000$, also should be
same result

```
0      1      ----- Interrupt -----      ----- Interrupt -----
0      1                      1000 test $1, %ax
0      1                      1001 je .signaller
1      1                      1006 mov $1, 2000
1      1                      1007 halt
1      0      ----- Halt;Switch -----      ----- Halt;Switch -----
1      0      1004 jne .waiter
1      0      1002 mov 2000, %cx
1      0      1003 test $1, %cx
1      0      1004 jne .waiter
1      0      1005 halt
```

Nope it isn't using the CPU
efficiently.

"Busy waiting" instead of
sleeping or yielding CPU time.