Project #0 - Simple OpenMP Experiment

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1. Tell what machine you ran this on

- OS: Linux Ubuntu 18.04.4 LTS (64-bit)

- RAM: 15.6 GiB memory

- Processor: AMD® Ryzen 7 2700x eight-core processor × 16

- Graphics: GeForce RTX 2070/PCIe/SSE2

- GNOME: 3.28.2

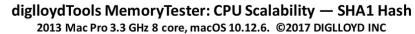
2. What performance results did you get?

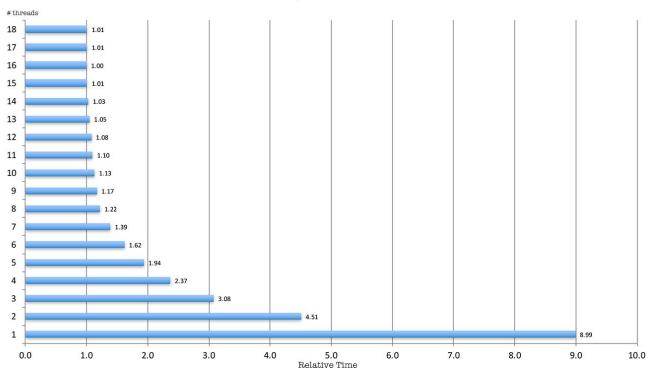
- Array size: 16384, NUMTRIES: 100

	1 thread	4 threads
1 time	234.69	454.38
2 times	234.56	481.68
3 times	235.13	505.04
4 times	234.72	486.27
5 times	172.68	454.38
6 times	172.72	465.11
7 times	234.93	465.38
8 times	172.99	480.69
9 times	172.96	520.31
10 times	234.76	460.91
Average	210.014	477.415

3. What was your 4-thread-to-one-thread speedup?

- \mathbf{S} = (Performance with four threads) / (Performance with one thread) = 477.415 / 210.014 = 2.27
- 4. If the 4-thread-to-one-thread speedup is less than 4.0, why do you think it is this way?
 - At first, the fact is that multi-threads and good CPU scalability make the machine run faster than a single thread. However, it will not always reflect in proportion to the number of added threads. In other words, the machine will not be n times faster for adding n threads because that proportion would require the high precision to be partitioned into n independent thread parts. Furthermore, technically, all threads and CPU cores would not work (some threads and cores would take a break) if the inputted task is small.
 - Related data chart from other source (https://macperformanceguide.com/blog/2017/20171223_2311-why-more-cores-often-dont-help.html)





- 5. What was your Parallel Fraction, Fp?
 - float Fp = (4./3.)*(1.-(1./S)), where S = 2.27 Fp = 0.75