

# PROBLEM SET 6

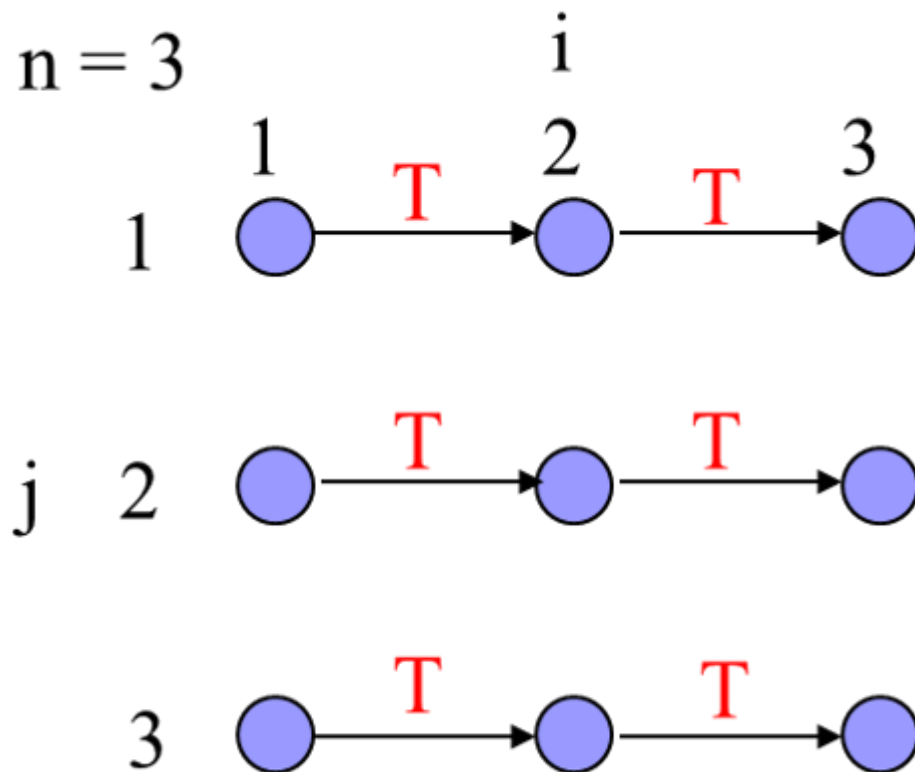
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## Problem 1

Dependences:

- $S_1[i, j] \rightarrow T S_1[i + 1, j]$
- $S_1[i, j] \rightarrow A S_2[i, j]$

LGD:



Parallel algorithm:

- No dependences between different  $j$ , which is the way to parallelize.

```
#pragma omp parallel for private(i) schedule(static)
for (j=1; j<=n; j++)
  for (i=1; i<=n; i++) {
    S1: a[i][j] = a[i-1][j] + b[i][j];
    S2: b[i][j] = c[i][j]
  }
```

## Problem 2

Dependences:

- $S_1[i] \rightarrow T S_1[i + 1]$
- However, it can be formulated like:  $a[i] = 0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + i = (1 + i) * i / 2$

```
a[0] = 0;
#pragma omp parallel for schedule(static)
for (i=1; i<=n; i++)
    a[i] = (1+i)*i/2;
```

## Problem 3

Dependences:

- $S_1[i] \rightarrow T S_1[i + 1]$
- $S_2[i] \rightarrow T S_2[i + 1]$
- $S_2[i] \rightarrow T S_1[i + 1]$

It's suitable to deploy the reduction diagram:

```
double sum = 0.0;
double sign;
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+:sum) private(sign) schedule(static)
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    sign = 1;
    if (i%2 != 0){
        sign = -1;
    }
    sum += sign/(2*i+1);
}
pi = 4.0*sum;
```

## Problem 4

Refer from this [notes](#) for the whole proof:

In 2 steps:

THEOREM 2.7 : [Knuth's 0/1 Principle]

===== If a sorting algorithm that performs only element comparisons and exchanges sorts all sequences of zeroes and ones then it sorts all sequences of arbitrary numbers.

proving                      SORTS ALL 0/1 s    =====> SORTS ANY SEQUENCE

is = to proving      CAN NOT SORT A SEQUENCE =====> CANNOT SORT ALL 0/1s

PROOF:

----- Let f be a monotonic function:  $x \leq y \implies f(x) \leq f(y)$

Obviously, if a compare/exchange algorithm

transforms  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  into  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$   
it also transforms  $(f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n))$  into  $(f(y_1), f(y_2), \dots, f(y_n))$

Suppose that it sorts  $x$  to obtain a  $y$  sequence where  $y(i) > y(i+1)$  UNSORTED

Define  $f$  as :  $f(x)=0$  for  $x < y(i)$  and  $f(x)=1$  for  $x \geq y(i)$

Then the algorithm transforms the 0/1 sequence  $(f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n))$   
into the 0/1 sequence

$(f(y_1), f(y_2), \dots, f(y_i), f(y_{i+1}), \dots, f(y_n))$  which is NOT SORTED.

0 .... 0 1      0      1 .. 1

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Comments by Mark Allen on the conditions for a sorting  
algorithm to be called a "comparison-based sorting algorithm":

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As far as the 0/1 proof, I think the conditions on a "comparison  
based sorting algorithm" would be the following (These conditions  
should be sufficient, and although I don't prove it I'm quite  
confident I can write a counter-example program if you try to  
weaken them much):

- 1.) The only two operations which can be used to modify the  
data in the array are
  - a.) compare and exchange, and
  - b.) swap (unconditionally).
- 2.) For the logical expression that direct the flow of control  
in our program, we can use any kind of logical expression,  
as long as this expression does not vary with the contents  
of the array.

"Contents" meaning the value of  $A[0]$ ,  $A[1]$ , .., and  $A[n-1]$ .  
So the number of elements in the array,  $n$ , is fair game to  
use in our logical expressions.

The goal of these conditions would be that given an array and a  
non-decreasing function  $f$ , the algorithm performs all the exact  
same swaps, on elements of the array  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  as it does on the  
array  $f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n)$ , or if it does not perform some swap on  
say  $f(x_i)$  and  $f(x_j)$  where it did on  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ , it is because  
 $f(x_i) = f(x_j)$ .

Another desirable result of these conditions is that (since the  
flow of control is unrelated to the contents of the array) two  
arrays of equal size get sorted in the same ammount of time.

The first condition is obvious. It is what we have been saying the  
whole time. The only two operations which can be used to modify  
the data in the array are

- 1.) compare and exchange
- 2.) swap (unconditionally)

By the way, the compare and exchange operation may test for <, <=, >, >=, or == between the two array elements in making its decision of whether or not to exchange those two elements.

The second condition is less obvious and I've never heard it stated when people discuss comparison based sorting algorithms, but it is just as important. We must restrict what kinds of logical expressions can be used to alter the flow of control. [Eg. the logical expressions in "if" and "while" statements.]

The condition is that we can make any kind of logical expression we want as long as neither expression varies with the contents of the array.

Note: this condition implies in particular that we may NOT use array elements in comparisons that are related to the flow of control of the program (even if `_both_` elements are array elements). The ONLY time such comparisons happen is inside a "compare exchange" command.

To see the problem if we allow comparisons between elements of the array to be used in an if statement, here is an example of such a program that contradicts the 0/1 principal:

Make a couple loops that go through comparing all possible pairs of array elements, and keeps track of whether any of them have equal values.

```
If (we find _any_ two elements that are equal OR
    the array has only one or two elements) then
    we say "ah, I like this array, I'll sort it correctly."
    next we sort using some legitimate sorting algorithm
else
    we say "nope, I think I'll just output garbage this time."
endif
```

End of algorithm.

Note that the first condition of this "if" statement will always evaluate true when we do a sequence of 0's and 1's. So it will always sort these correctly, but it will not do all arbitrary sequences.

The problem is that the condition in the "if" statement varies with the contents of the array.

I just wanted to point this out because I consider it quite dangerous to oversimplify what it means for an algorithm to be comparison based.

I don't mean to overcomplicate it either. If we wanted to do that we could write a grammar that generates all legitimate comparison based algorithms :) . It wouldn't be too informative though, I don't think.

A straightforward OpenMP example:

```
for(phase = 0; phase < N; phase++) {  
    if(phase & 1){  
        #pragma omp parallel for private(i) shared(arr)  
        for(i = 2; i < N; i+=2)  
            if(arr[i-1] > arr[i])  
                swap(&arr[i-1],&arr[i]);  
    } else {  
        #pragma omp parallel for private(i) shared(arr)  
        for(i = 1; i < N; i+=2)  
            if(arr[i-1] > arr[i])  
                swap(&arr[i-1],&arr[i]);  
    }  
}
```