CSE 332 Data Abstractions, Autumn 2013
Homework 6

Due: Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 11pm via catalyst dropbox. You will want to download the bundle of code skeletons posted on the homework web page that goes with this homework.

Problem 1: Forkjoin Parallelism: IsOver
Write a parallel fork-join algorithm in Java using the ForkJoin Framework to determine if any integer in a given array is over the provided value. Your algorithm should have work O(n) and span O(log n) where n is the length of the array. For example, if arr is \{21,17,35,8,17,1\} then isOver(21,arr) is true and isOver(35,arr) is false. You can assume that: arr will always contain at least one element. You may include a sequential cut-off or not – your choice.

    public static boolean isOver(int val, int[] arr)

We have provided a test harness TestProblem1.java that your code should work with (note: it only contains a couple of tests). Please write any additional code (including additional classes) that you need to solve the problem. You may find it useful to look at the code we provided for Problem 2, examples from section, and Introduction to the ForkJoin Framework (JSR 166) to help you get started.

Problem 2: Forkjoin Parallelism: Longest Sequence
Consider the problem of finding the longest sequence of some number in an array of numbers: getLongestSequence(i,arr) returns the longest number of consecutive i in arr. For example, if arr is \{2,17,17,8,17,17,0,17,1\} then getLongestSequence(17,arr) is 3 and getLongestSequence(9,arr) is 0. You can assume that: arr will always contain at least one element.

a) Write a parallel fork-join algorithm in Java using the ForkJoin Framework for getLongestSequence. Your algorithm should have work O(n) and span O(log n) where n is the length of the array. Do not employ a sequential cut-off: your base case should process an array range containing one element. We have provided 3 files to use for this: TestProblem2.java, LongestSequence.java, and Results.java. If you would prefer to solve the problem in a different manner, say using a RecursiveAction or by modifying or not using the Result class, that will be fine. Just be sure that your method has this signature and works as specified above:

    public static int getLongestSequence(int i, int[] arr)

b) Modify your solution to part (a) to use a sequential cut-off. Thus your code will need to show what you would do below this cut-off. Name this new method as follows and write a new class called LongestSequenceCutOff:

    public static int getLongestSequenceCutOff(int i, int[] arr)

c) ANSWER THIS QUESTION AS A COMMENT INSIDE OF LongestSequenceCutOff.java file: In general, how does having using a sequential cut-off make code more efficient?

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Problem 3: Forkjoin Parallelism: Leftmost Occurrence of Substring

Consider the problem of finding the leftmost occurrence of a sequence of characters in an array of characters, returning the index of the leftmost occurrence or -1 if there is none. For example, if the characters stored in the array arr1 are: cse332, and the characters stored in the array arr2 are: Dudecse4ocse332momcse332Rox, then getLeftMostIndex(arr1, arr2) is 9.

Write a parallel fork-join algorithm in Java using the ForkJoin Framework for getLeftMostIndex. Your code should be callable via the method signature listed below. You may assume that arr1 (the sequence you are searching for) will be at most 6 characters in length (you do not have to check for this). You should include a sequential cut-off (pick one that is large-ish, say 100). You can assume that: arr1 and arr2 will always contain at least one element

\[ \text{public static int getLeftMostIndex(char[] arr1, char[] arr2)} \]

Hint: Your solution will be much simplified if you solve slightly overlapping subproblems.

Tip: You may find it useful to convert Strings to arrays of characters using toCharArray():

\[ \text{char[] arr = "Dudecse4ocse332momcse332Rox".toCharArray();} \]