
Subject: Re: Intel iMac IDL performance

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JD Smith wrote:

> This assumes TPOOL_MINELTS=100000. Setting tpool_min_elts with CPU will
> reset this, which will make the size of the vector much smaller, and make
> this somewhat artificial (though I don't doubt a factor of 10, really). I
> guess I should have put a:
>
> cpu,tpool_min_elts=100000
>
> first, to even the playing field.
>
> JD

I did set the vector to 100000 (which rids me of depending on that assumption with the threadpool minimal elements - setting being constant).

Then I vary TPOOL_MINELTS until I find the fastest speed. I personally would see no point in recording an artificially slow speed just because for a given machine / task, the TPOOL_MINELTS is suboptimal. So you'd first seek the best speed, and record that.

Below my "tweaked" version.

Regards, Wolf.

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pro jdtest
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```
cpu,/reset
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```
  a=randomu(sd,100L*!CPU.TPOOL_MINELTS)
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```
  t=systime(1) & a=sqrt(a)/(a>0.5) & ri =systime(1)-t
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```
print, 'initial result ', ri, ' @ tpool ', !cpu.tpool_min_elts
```

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bs= double(5)
```

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p = 100
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```
pool=0
```

```
for n = 0.,30. do begin
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```
  cpu,tpool_min_elts=bs^n
```

```
  p=100
```

```
for i = 1,32 do begin

    a=randomu(sd,100L *100000)  ;!*CPU.TPOOL_MIN_ELTS)
    t=systime(1) & a=sqrt(a)/(a>0.5) & r =systime(1)-t

    if r lt p then begin
        print, ' found new optimum at ',r, ' seconds @ tpool_min_elts ',bs^n
        p = r
        pool=n
    end

end

end

end

print, ' final results ', p, ' @ tpoolminelts ', bs^pool
print, ' performance gain through tweaking tpool variable : new jd test
runs at percentage of ', p/ri * 100., ' %'

end
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