

Software Speculation

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Software Speculation

- What is it?
- Why is it important?

Speculation Program

speculation

```
{      parallel code }
```

verification

```
{      sequential code }
```

```
endSpeculation(check variable)
```

Speculation Program

- Fork

```
pid_t childPid = fork();
If(childPid == 0){
    //Child code
}else{
    //Parent code
}
```

- Pipes



- Macros

```
#define speculation
if(childPid == 0){
    //code
}
else{
    //code
}
```

Speculation Program

speculation

```
for(int i=0;i<10;i++){  
    arrTest[i] = parentValue;  
}
```

verification

```
id="child ";  
for(int i=0;i<10;i++){  
    arrTest[i] = childValue;  
}  
printf("finished child\n");  
endSpeculation(int,arrTest)  
while(true){  
    printf("In %s \n", id);  
    sleep(1);  
}  
return(0);
```

Speculation Program

Speculator(Parent)

```
speculation
{
    parallel code
}

verification
{
    sequential code
}

endSpeculation(check
variable)
```

Verifier (Child)

```
speculation
{
    parallel code
}

verification
{
    sequential code
}

endSpeculation(check
variable)
```



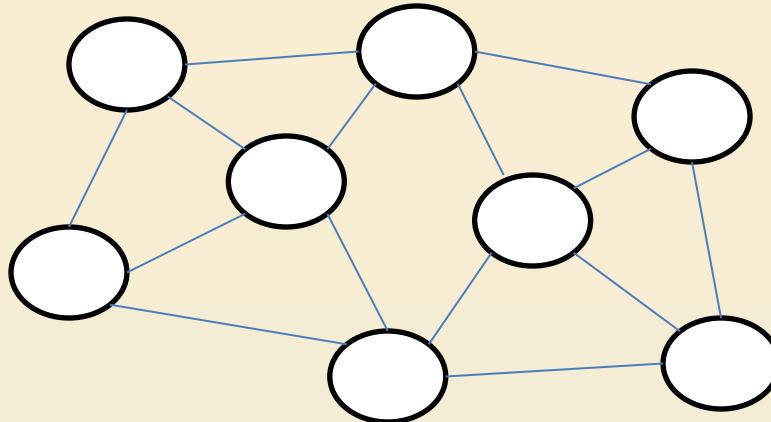
Speculation Program

```
johglove@silo:~/Desktop
*****
[johglove@silo ~]$ cd Desktop/
[johglove@silo Desktop]$ ./example.out 2 1
In parent
finished child
done waiting
done reading
checking variable
got check variable: -1
Killing parent
In child
Killed
[johglove@silo Desktop]$ In child
```

Testing Speculation Program

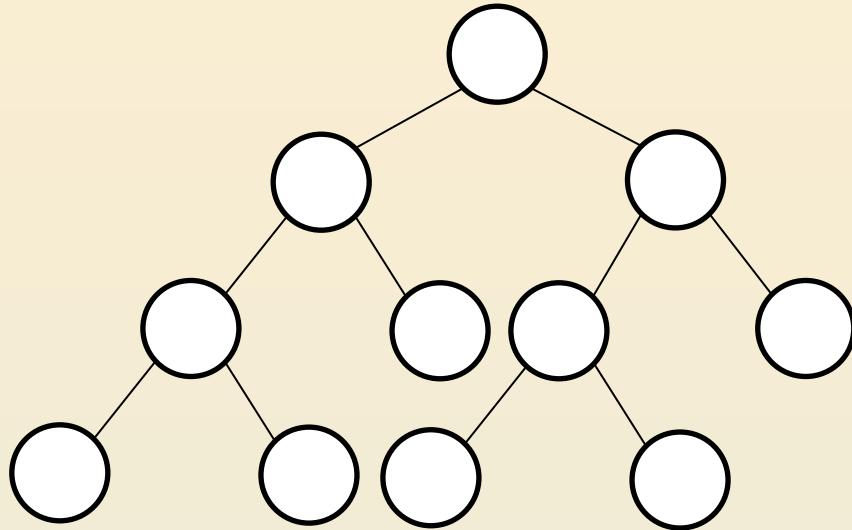
- Two Test Scenarios
 - Scenario 1: Graph Theory Problems
 - Scenario 2: Binary Search Algorithms

Scenario 1



- Test the library for graph theory problem
- Measure no. of times the speculator is killed
- Analyze Effect of graph sizes on the results.

Scenario 2



- Approach
 - Chance of Infeasible Value
 - Dynamic Calculation Times
- Measuring
 - Effects of Chance Values
 - The Effects of the Calculation Times