INTRODUCTION TO PARALLEL AND DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING



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Various Aspects

Goal: application of concurrency to speed-up computations.

- Multi-core processors, multi-processors, computer clusters.
- Shared memory and distributed memory programming.
- Task parallel and data parallel algorithms.
- Strategies for parallel program design.
- Performance measures and analysis.

Various interrelated aspects (many of which we will discuss).

Course Topics

- Parallel Architectures
- Auto-Parallelization and OpenMP and Cilk Plus
- Performance Analysis
- Multi-Threaded Client/Server Programming
- Parallel Program Design
- The Message Passing Interface MPI
- Distributed Memory Algorithms

An overview of abstract development principles and concrete programming models.

Organization and Grades

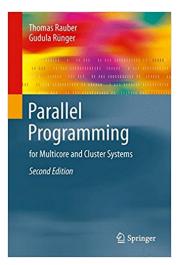
Moodle Course
Materials and links.
Forums for announcements and Q&A.
Submission of assignments.
Four Assignments on Programming/Benchmarking
Automatic parallelization.
Shared memory programming in OpenMP or Cilk Plus.
Multi-threaded/networked programming in Java.
Distributed memory programming in MPI.

No exam, grade will be entirely based on assignments.

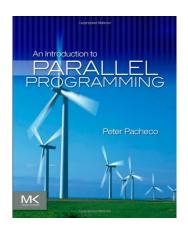
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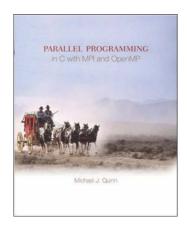
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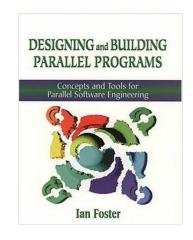
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