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**FIRST SEMESTER 2022 – 2023**

**COURSE HANDOUT (PART II)**

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In addition to Part I (General Handout for all courses appended to the timetable) this handout gives further details regarding the course.

Course No : CS F422  
Course Title : **Parallel Computing**  
Instructor-in-charge : **Dr. Apurba Das**

**1. Scope and Objectives of the Course:**

Parallel computing architectures have emerged as alternative to high performance computing using powerful single processor machines. Sequential algorithms i.e., algorithms designed for a single processor machine, do not harness the full potential of a parallel machine and hence the need to devise new parallel algorithms. Parallel algorithms are highly architecture dependent. Moreover, for a given problem, some parallel architecture is better suited than others. Therefore, it is necessary to study parallel architectures and techniques for designing efficient parallel algorithms.

The main objectives of this course are to give the students exposure to

- Models of parallel computers; Interconnection networks, basic communication operations
- Introduction to parallel algorithms; Parallel programming paradigms; issues in implementing algorithms on parallel computers
- Parallel programming with message passing interface; Performance analysis
- Scalability analysis; Basic design techniques for parallel algorithms
- Parallel algorithms for selected applications like sorting, searching and merging, matrix algebra, graphs.

**2. Text Book:**

**T1:** “*Introduction to Parallel Computing*”, Ananth Grama, Anshul Gupta, George Karypis and Vipin Kumar, Second Edition, Pearson Education, 2011.

**3. Reference Books:**

- R1.** M.J. Quinn, “Parallel Computing: Theory & Practice”, McGraw Hill Inc. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Reprint 2017.  
**R2.** M.J. Quinn, “Parallel Programming in C with MPI & OPENMP”, Jaico Books, 2004. (Reprint 2017).  
**R3.** Kai Hwang and Faye A Briggs, “Computer Architecture and Parallel Processing”, Tata Mc Graw Hill Edition, 2012.  
**R4.** Peterson, “Introduction to Parallel Computing – A Practical Guide with Examples in C”, Oxford University Press, 2008.  
**R5.** Peter S Pacheco, “An Introduction to Parallel Programming”, Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 2018.

**4. Course Plan:**

| Lecture | Learning Objectives | Topics to be covered | Chapter in the Text |
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| No.   |   |  | Book  |
|-------|---|--|---|
| 1     | Introducing Parallel Algorithms, studying algorithms, minimizing number of processors.                        | Introduction to parallel processing and parallel processing terminology  | <b>R1</b> Sec. 1.1,1.2 & 1.3, <b>T1</b> Chapter 1 |
| 2,3   |   | Contrast between Data Parallelism & Control Parallelism  | <b>R1</b> Sec. 1.3 & 1.4                          |
| 4-6   |   | Parallel Programming Platforms   | <b>T1</b> Sec. 2.1 – 2.3.                         |
| 7     |   | Physical Organization of parallel computer   | <b>T1</b> Sec. 2.4                                |
| 8,9   |   | PRAM algorithms, (parallel reduction, prefix sums, list ranking etc.)  | <b>R1</b> Sec. 2.3                                |
| 10    |   | PRAM Sorting Algorithms  | Class Notes                                       |
| 11-12 |   | Routing in parallel computer   | <b>T1</b> Sec. 2.5-2.6                            |
| 13-15 | Studying different organizations, mappings between them, data decomposition and                               | Processor-Processor mapping & mapping techniques   | <b>T1</b> Sec. 2.7                                |
| 16-18 |   | Decomposition Techniques and Task Mapping  | <b>T1</b> Sec. 3.1,3.2, 3.3                       |
| 19-20 | Performance metrics for parallel systems  | Performance metrics for parallel system  | <b>T1</b> Sec. 5.1, 5.2                           |
| 21-22 |   | Iso-efficiency function & scalability issues   | <b>T1</b> Sec. 5.3, 5.4                           |
| 23-24 |   | Other scalability metrics  | <b>T1</b> Sec. 5.5, 5.6                           |
| 25-26 | Studying & Analyzing parallel versions of standard sequential algorithms on different processor organizations | Simple parallel algorithms on mesh and hypercube   | <b>R1</b> Chapter 6<br><b>R2, R3</b>              |
| 27-30 |   | Parallel Matrix Algorithms: Matrix Multiplication, Solving System of Linear Equations  | <b>T1</b> Chapter 8<br><b>R4</b>                  |
| 31-35 |   | Sorting Algorithms on mesh and hypercube   | <b>T1</b> Chapter 9                               |
| 36-38 |   | Parallel Graph Algorithms: Prim's MST algorithm (parallelization), Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm (parallelization) etc. | <b>T1</b> Sec. 10.1–10.4<br><b>R5</b>             |
| 39-40 | Recent Advances in Parallel Computing   | High performance parallel computing – Case Study   | Recent research publications                      |



## 5. Evaluation Scheme:

| Component               | Duration    | Weightage (%) | Date & Time          | Nature of Component |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Mid Sem Test            | 1 hr 30 min | 30%           | 02/11 9.00 - 10.30AM | Closed Book         |
| Quizzes (Two)           |             | 10%           | TBA                  | Closed Book         |
| Assignments (Take Home) |             | 10%           | TBA                  | Open Book           |
| Term Project            |             | 10%           | TBA                  | Open Book           |
| Comprehensive Exam      | 3 hrs       | 40%           | 22/12 FN             | Closed Book         |

**Note:** For the Assignments/Term Projects (Take Home), exposure to basic programming would be useful.

**Note:** At least 40% of the evaluation component will be considered for Midterm Evaluation.

**6. Chamber Consultation Hour:** To be announced in the class

**7. Notices:** Notices regarding the course will be put up on the CSIS notice board and in CMS.

**8. Makeup Policy:** No makeup exam allowed without prior permission.

**9. Academic Honesty and Integrity Policy:** Academic honesty and integrity are to be maintained by all the students throughout the semester and no type of academic dishonesty is acceptable.

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