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**THIS PAPER CONSISTS OF FOUR QUESTIONS**  
**ALL QUESTIONS TO BE ATTEMPTED**  
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## **QUESTION 1 (Java)**

- (a) Using Java ForkJoin Framework, write code to solve the following problem, given an array of random integers, it is required to reverse the order of elements into a new array.

**(15 marks)**

We have provided some of the code for you.

```
import java.util.concurrent.ForkJoinPool;
import java.util.concurrent.RecursiveAction;
public class Main {
    static final ForkJoinPool fjPool = new ForkJoinPool();
    static int[] reverse(int[] array) {
        // ADD A LINE HERE
        fjPool.invoke(new Reverse(answer,array,0,array.length)); // DO NOT CHANGE
        // ADD A LINE HERE
    }
}
// DEFINE A CLASS HERE
```

- (b) Discuss a thread safe coding design consideration when two elements in a 2-Dimensional array need to be swapped, this of the 2-Dimensional array as a matrix. Implement a java code method called swap to be thread safe and deadlock free.

**(10 marks)**

**Total (25 marks)**

## QUESTION 2 (Open MP/MPI)

- (a) An MPI program has the following section

```
for (i=0; i < numProcs; i++) { // numProcs is the number of processors  
MPI_Reduce(b, c, n, MPI_INT, MPI_SUM, i, MPI_COMM_WORLD);  
}
```

Rewrite this to be a more efficient operation (the loop can be replaced by a single MPI collective communication call)

**(10 marks)**

- (b) What is the output of the following code if OMP\_NUM\_THREADS=4?

```
main(..)  
{  
    static int arr[4] = {1,2,3,4} ;  
  
    int x=1, j ;  
    #pragma omp parallel for reduction(*:x)  
    for(j=0 ; j<4 ; j++)  
        x *= arr[j] ;  
  
    printf( "%d", x ) ;  
}
```

**(5 marks)**

- (c) What is the maximum collapse level that can be specified with the #pragma omp for in the following code in order to give the same result as the sequential code?

```
#pragma omp for ..  
for(i=0;i<100;i++)  
    for(j=0;j<100;j++)  
        for(k=10;k<100;k++)  
            for(l=10;l<100;l++)  
                arr[i][j][k][l] = i+(j*2)+arr[i][j][k-10][l] ;
```

**(5 marks)**

- (d) Which technique can be used to resolve false sharing issues?

**(5 marks)**

**Total (25 marks)**

### **QUESTION 3 (Java)**

- (a) A developer has a problem whose size can increase with an increasing number of processors. He needs to execute the program and determines that in a parallel execution on 100 processors. 5% of the time is spent in the sequential part of the program. What is the scaled speedup of the program on 100 processors? **(5 marks)**
- (b) A platform has space for at most 100 people at any one time. People are only admitted when the platform is open and the number of persons does not exceed the prescribed limit. Using condition variables write a class that could be used to control access to the platform. **(15 marks)**
- (c) A resource is shared between N threads such that access to the resource is on a *first-come-first-served* basis. Explain how you would implement a policy of *first-come-first-served*. **(5 marks)**

**Total (25 marks)**

### **QUESTION 4 (MPI/OpenMP)**

- (a) Write a complete MPI program to find how many negative numbers there are in an integer array A[N] using a scatter/gather pattern. Define N as a constant with a value 10,000. Define the number of slaves as P and set to 10 slaves. Each slave is sent one group of N/P numbers from the array. **Assume A[N] is initialized with integers.** **(15 marks)**
- (b) Write the solution of part a using OpenMP. **(10 marks)**

**Total(25 marks)**