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Title	Parallel and Distributed Computing	
Books	1. Distributed Systems: Principles and Paradigms, A. S. Tanenbaum and M. V. Steen, Prentice Hall, 2nd Edition, 2007 2. Distributed and Cloud Computing: Clusters, Grids, Clouds, and the Future Internet, K Hwang, J Dongarra and GC. C. Fox, Elsevier, 1st Ed.	
Course Intro	At the end of the course the students will be able to: 1. Learn about parallel and distributed computers. 2. Write portable programs for parallel or distributed architectures using Message-Passing Interface (MPI) library 3. Analytical modelling and performance of parallel programs. 4. Analyze complex problems with shared memory programming with open MP. * BT= Bloom's Taxonomy, C=Cognitive domain, P=Psychomotor domain, A= Affective domain	
Aims and Objectives	CLO-1	Learn about parallel and distributed computers.
	CLO-2	Write portable programs for parallel or distributed architectures using Message-Passing Interface (MPI) library
	CLO-3	Analyze complex problems with shared memory programming with openMP.
Course Description	Asynchronous/synchronous computation/communication, fault tolerance, GPU architecture and programming, heterogeneity, interconnection topologies, load balancing, memory consistency model, memory hierarchies, Message passing interface (MPI), MIMD/SIMD, multithreaded programming, parallel algorithms & architectures, parallel I/O, performance analysis and tuning, power, programming models (data parallel, task parallel, process-centric, shared/distributed memory), scalability and performance studies, scheduling, storage systems, synchronization, and tools (Cuda, Swift, Globus, Condor, Amazon AWS, OpenStack, Cilk, gdb, threads, MPICH, OpenMP, Hadoop, FUSE).	
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Sixteen-week lecture plan

Week	Lecture	Topic
extra	1	load balancing,
extra	2	MIMD/SIMD,
extra	3	parallel I/O
extra	4	performance analysis and tuning
extra	5	power, programming models
extra	6	programming models(data parallel, task parallel, process-centric, shared/distributed memory),
extra	7	Cilk (lec#27), gdb (lec#28)
Mam-extra		Communication Cost in parallel Machine (lec #3(1))
Clg	1	Parallel and Distributed Computing (lec#1), Parallelism
Clg	2	Multi-processor, Multi-Computer (lec#2), Flynn's Taxonomy(lec#7)
Clg	3	Asynchronous/synchronous computation/communication(lec #3(1) pdf)
Clg	4	Concurrency control, Fault tolerance
Clg	5	Heterogeneity(lec#6), Interconnection topologies(lec#8)
Clg	6	Parallel Algorithm Design Life Cycle(lec#9)
Clg	7	Decomposition Techniques (lec#11)
Clg	8	Memory Consistency Model , Memory Hierarchies , Mapping Schemes(lec#10)
Clg	9	Distributed Memory Programming Model (lec #15)
Clg	10	Multithreaded Programming, Parallel Algorithms & Architectures (parallel algorithm models lec 5)
Clg	11	Basic Communication Operations (lec# 14) 11.1 All-to-All Broadcast 11.2 All-to-All Reduction
Clg	12	Task Parallel, Shared/Distributed Memory, Synchronization
Clg	13	Scalability and Performance Studies, Scheduling, Storage Systems
Clg	14	GPU architecture and programming, (lec#16(2))

Clg	15	Tools 15.1 Cuda (lec#16(1)) 15.2 Swift (lec#19) 15.3 Globus (lec#20) 15.4 Condor (lec#21) 15.5 Amazon AWS (lec#22) 15.6 OpenStack (lec#23) 15.7 Threads (lec#24) 15.8 MPI (lec#19) 15.9 OpenMP (lec#20) 15.10 Hadoop (lec#25) 15.11 FUSE (lec#26)
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Main Coding Areas

You'll write code in these categories:

1. **Message Passing Interface (MPI)** —
Writing programs where multiple computers (nodes) communicate using messages.
→ Example: matrix multiplication using MPI.
2. **OpenMP / Multithreading** —
Shared memory programming using threads.
→ Example: parallel sorting using OpenMP.
3. **CUDA / GPU Programming** —
Using NVIDIA GPUs for high-speed computation.
→ Example: image processing using CUDA kernels.
4. **Parallel Algorithms** —
Implementing algorithms that divide work across processors.
→ Example: parallel search, merge sort, or prefix sum.
5. **Cloud and Distributed Tools (Optional or Project-Based)** —
Using tools like **Hadoop**, **AWS**, **OpenStack**, **Globus**, etc., to handle distributed computation or storage.
→ Example: running MapReduce on Hadoop.

Name	What is it? (Language / Tool / API)	Main Use	Used in Parallel Computing?	Used in Distributed Computing?	Advantages	Simple Example (if applicable)
CUDA	Programming platform & API by NVIDIA	GPU programming	✔ Yes (massive parallelism on GPU)	✗ No	Very fast, thousands of threads, great for ML & simulations	<pre>c\n__global__ void add(int *a){ a[0]+=1; }\n</pre>
Swift	Programming Language (Apple)	App development	✗ No	✗ No	Fast, safe, modern syntax	<pre>swift\nprint(\"Hello Swift\")\n</pre>
Globus	Middle ware tool	Secure file transfer	✗ No	✔ Yes	Reliable data transfer, security, used in grids	✗
Condor (HTCondor)	Job scheduling system	High-throughput computing	✗ No	✔ Yes	Automatic job management, fault tolerance	✗
Amazon AWS	Cloud platform	Cloud computing	⚠ Indirect (EC2 clusters)	✔ Yes	Scalable, pay-as-you-go, global infrastructure	✗
OpenStack	Cloud OS / Platform	Private cloud	⚠ Indirect	✔ Yes	Open-source, flexible, private cloud	✗
Threads	Programming concept	Multithreading	✔ Yes (shared memory)	✗ No	Fast communication, low overhead	<pre>c\npthread_create(&t,NULL,fu nc,NULL);\n</pre>

MPI	Message Passing Interface (API)	Cluster computing	✗ No	✓ Yes	Scalable, portable, high performance	c\nMPI_Send(&x,1,MPI_INT,1,0,MPI_COMM_WORLD);\n
Open MP	Parallel programming API	Shared-memory systems	✓ Yes	✗ No	Easy to use, compiler directives	c\n#pragma omp parallel for\nfor(int i=0;i<n;i++){}\n
Hadoop	Distributed framework	Big data processing	✗ No	✓ Yes	Fault tolerance, handles huge data	✗
FUSE	Filesystem interface	User-space filesystems	✗ No	⚠ Indirect	Easy FS development, flexible	✗