



Intro to Parallel Computing on HPC

2022

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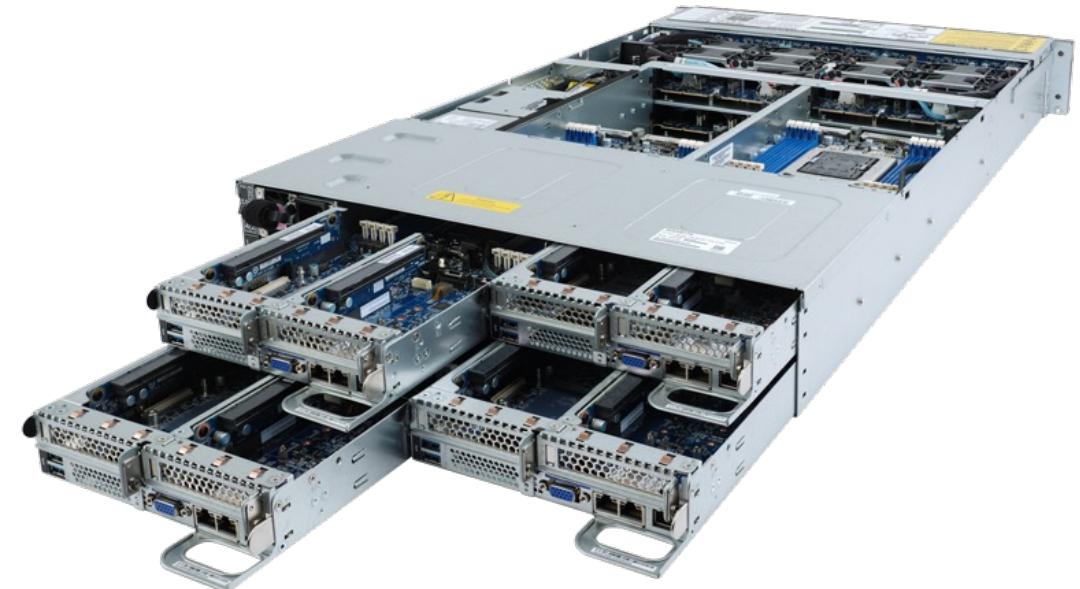
MacBook Pro 2021

Apple M1 Pro Chip
8-core CPU
16GB unified memory
512GB SSD
\$1999



Penguin Altus XE2242

4in1 chassis. Each compute node has:
96 cores dual socket AMD EPYC 7642
512GB DDR4 3200MHz ECC memory
2TB SSD NVMe
\$8000



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Puma Cluster

269 compute nodes

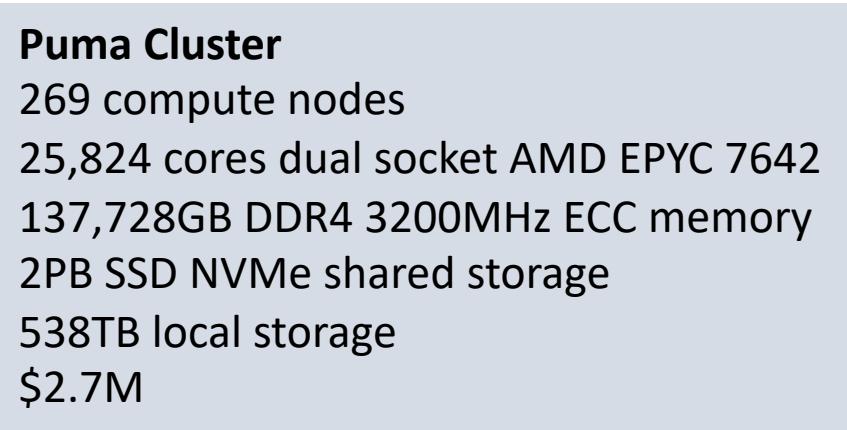
25,824 cores dual socket AMD EPYC 7642

137,728GB DDR4 3200MHz ECC memory

2PB SSD NVMe shared storage

538TB local storage

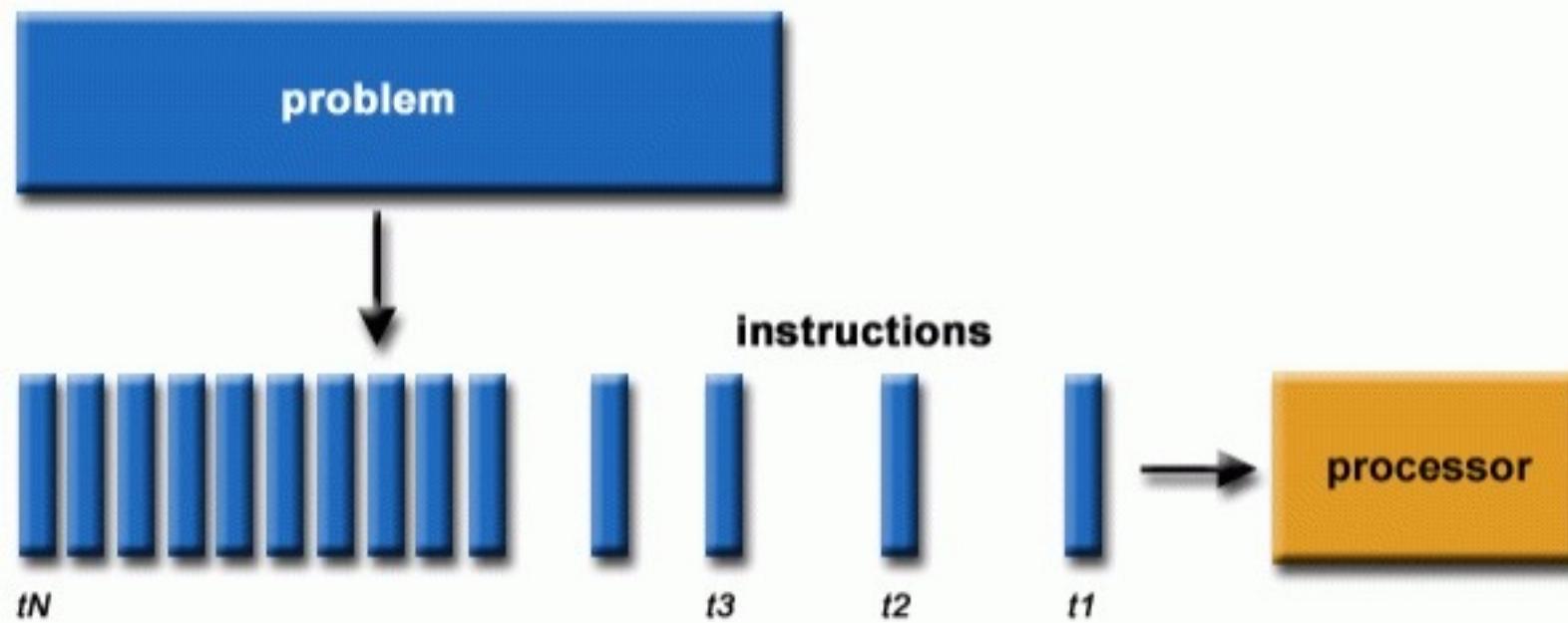
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What is Parallel Computing

Serial Computing

A problem is broken into a discrete series of instructions
Instructions are executed sequentially one after another
Executed on a single processor
Only one instruction may execute at any moment in time



Serial computing generic example

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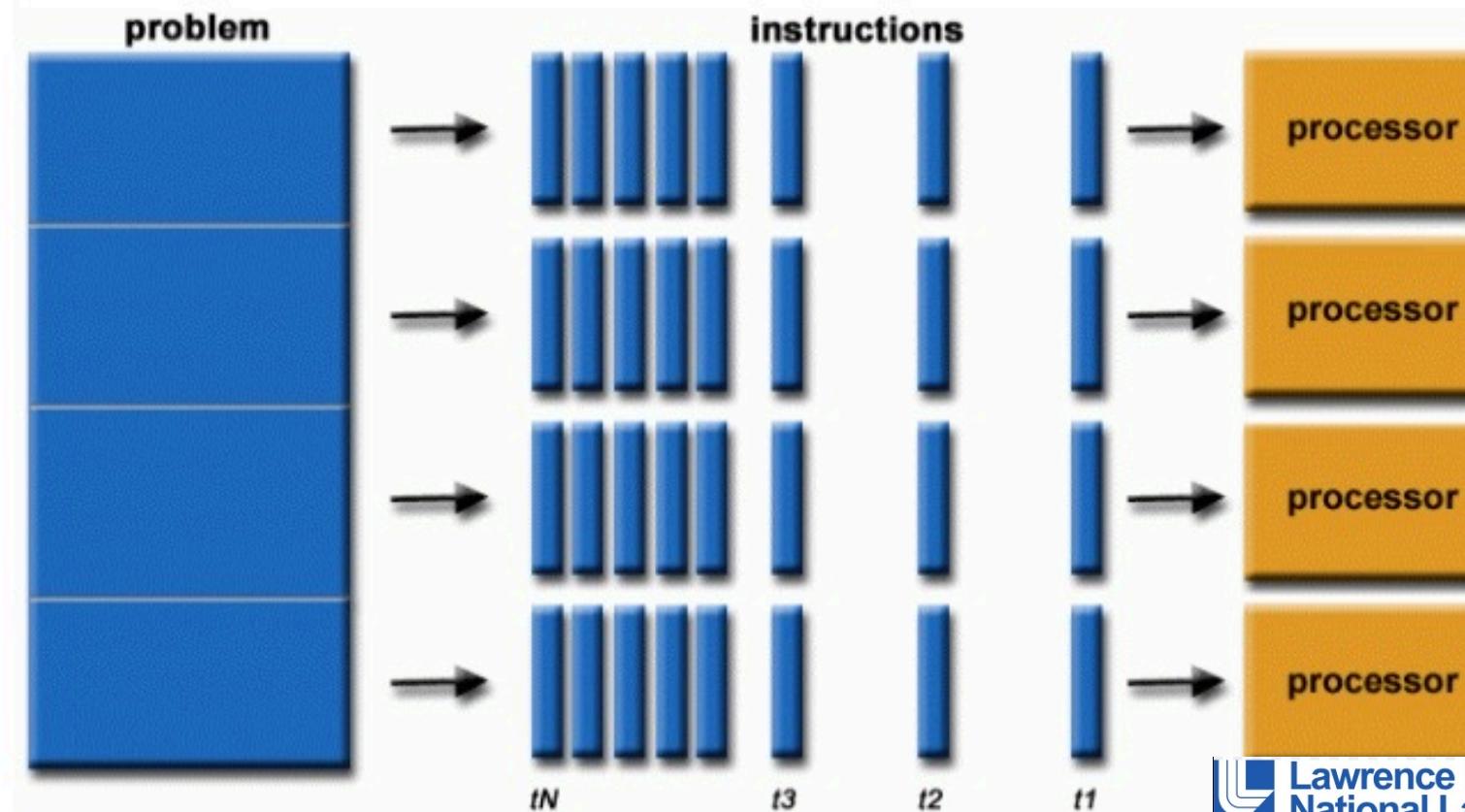
Parallel Computing

A problem is broken into discrete parts that can be solved concurrently

Each part is further broken down to a series of instructions

Instructions from each part execute simultaneously on different processors

An overall control/coordination mechanism is employed

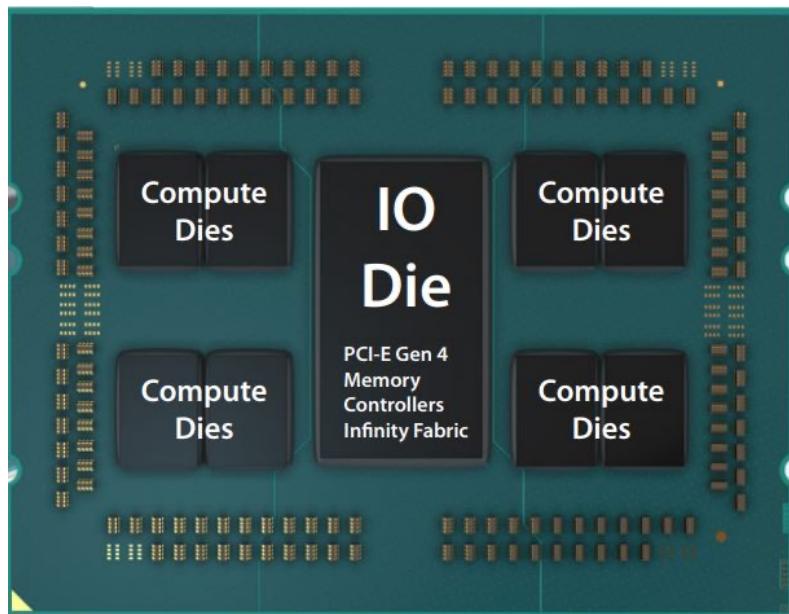


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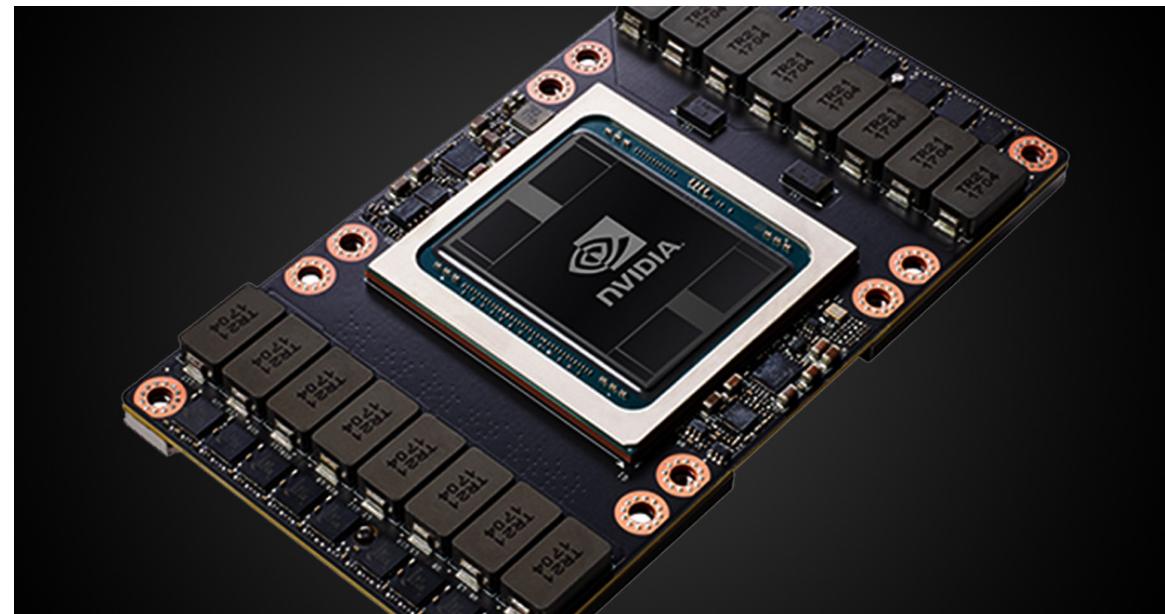
Parallel Computers

Virtually all stand-alone computers today are parallel from a hardware perspective:

- Multiple functional units (L1 cache, L2 cache, branch, prefetch, decode, floating-point, graphics processing (GPU), integer, etc.)
- Multiple execution units/cores
- Multiple hardware threads



AMD EPYC Rome CPU



Nvidia V100 GPU

What is Parallel Computing

Parallel Computers

Networks connect multiple stand-alone computers (nodes) to make larger parallel computer clusters.

Each compute node is a multi-processor parallel computer in itself

Multiple compute nodes are networked together with a high-speed network

Special purpose nodes, also multi-processor, are used for other purposes, with GPU's or extra memory

Puma Rack layout

RACK 1 (STANDARD)	RACK 2 (STANDARD)	RACK 3 (STANDARD)	RACK 4 (STANDARD)	RACK 5 (GPU/MEM)	RACK 6 (NET/EXPANSION)
4x460P9 PDU, 68.8kW MAX					
r1u42n1	r1u42n2	r2u42n1	r2u42n2	r3u42n1	r3u42n2
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r1m2	r2m2	r3m2	r4m2	r5m2	r6m2
cable management space					
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cable management space					
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r1u17n1	r1u17n2	r2u17n1	r2u17n2	r3u17n1	r3u17n2
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64 nodes	64 nodes	64 nodes	64 nodes	16	40
8144 cores	8144 cores	8144 cores	8144 cores	1496	3840

Why Use Parallel Computing

Parallel Computers ..

Reduce Complexity

In the natural world, many complex, interrelated events are happening at the same time, yet within a temporal sequence.

Compared to serial computing, parallel computing is much better suited for modeling, simulating and understanding complex, real-world phenomena.

Example: Natural Language Processing models have billions of parameters



Galaxy Formation



Planetary Movements



Climate Change



Rush Hour Traffic



Plate Tectonics



Weather

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SAVE TIME

In theory, throwing more resources at a task will shorten its time to completion, with shorter time to results. Parallel computers can be built from cheap(ish), commodity components.



Working in parallel shortens completion time

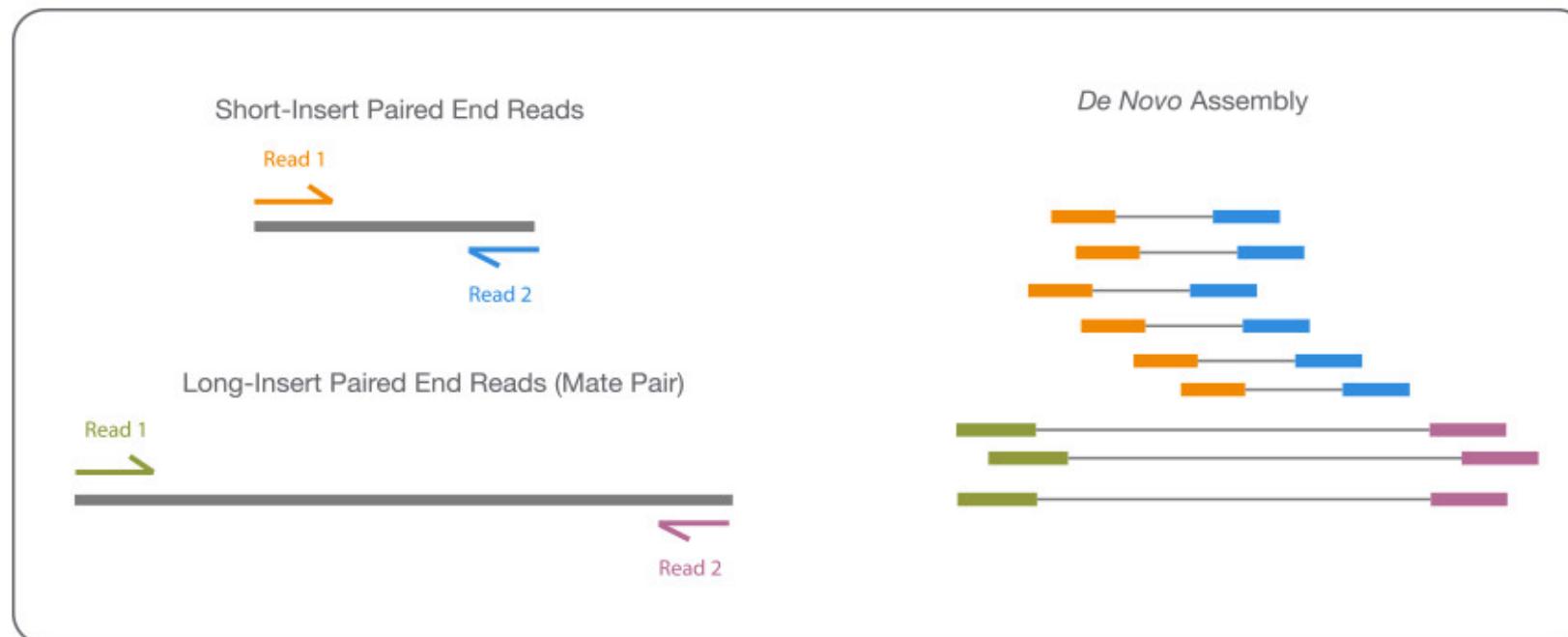
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PROVIDE CONCURRENCY

A single compute resource can only do one thing at a time. Multiple compute resources can do many things simultaneously.

Example: The so-called shotgun sequencing technique generates the sequences of many thousands of small DNA fragments.



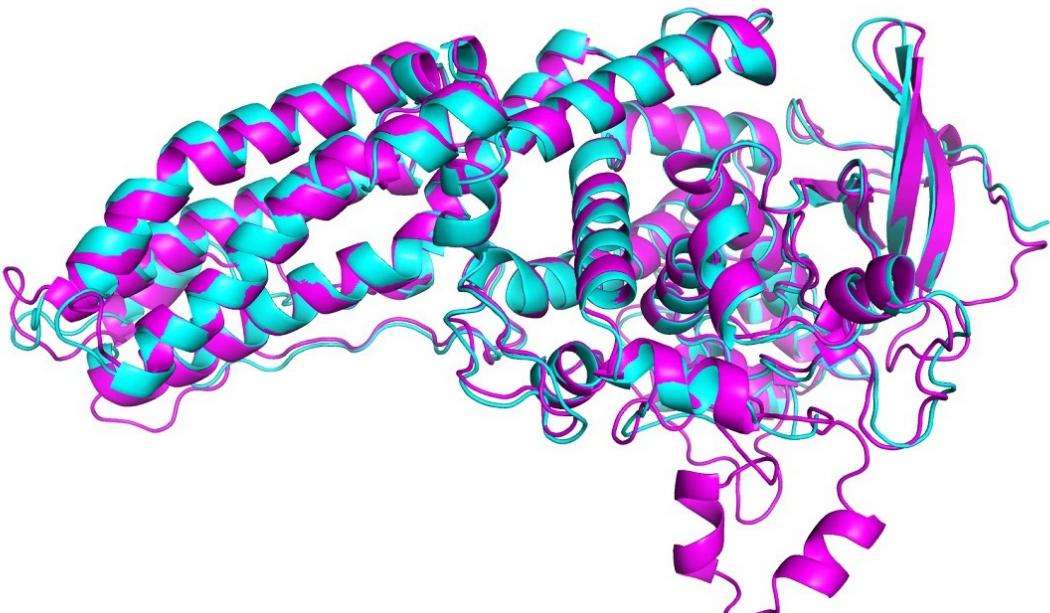
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TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NON-LOCAL RESOURCES

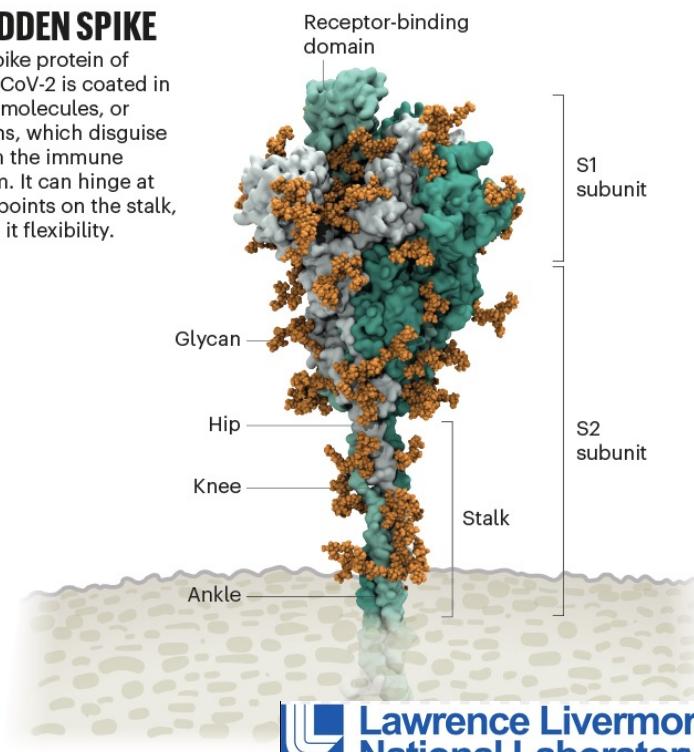
Using compute resources on a wide area network, or even the Internet when local compute resources are scarce or insufficient.

Example: Folding@Home is a distributed computing project to simulate protein dynamics. Supercomputers at the three public Arizona universities have contributed the 46th most credits to the project at 55 billion



A HIDDEN SPIKE

The spike protein of SARS-CoV-2 is coated in sugar molecules, or glycans, which disguise it from the immune system. It can hinge at three points on the stalk, giving it flexibility.



Parallel Computing Terminology

Node – an individual computer. Many of them together comprise a supercomputer

CPU – aka socket or processor. A physical device mounted on the motherboard. Puma nodes have two CPU's

Core – capable of conducting independent work.
Puma CPU's have 48 cores for a total of 96
However, in Slurm, cpu = core

Process – instance of a program, with access to its own memory, state and file descriptors

Task – a logically discrete section of computational work.
By default, Slurm allocates one cpu / task

Shared Memory – all cores have direct access to common physical memory. Run on a single node.

Threads – highest level of code executed by a processor. Each process has at least a single thread
Not the same as hyperthreading which is turned off on all compute nodes.



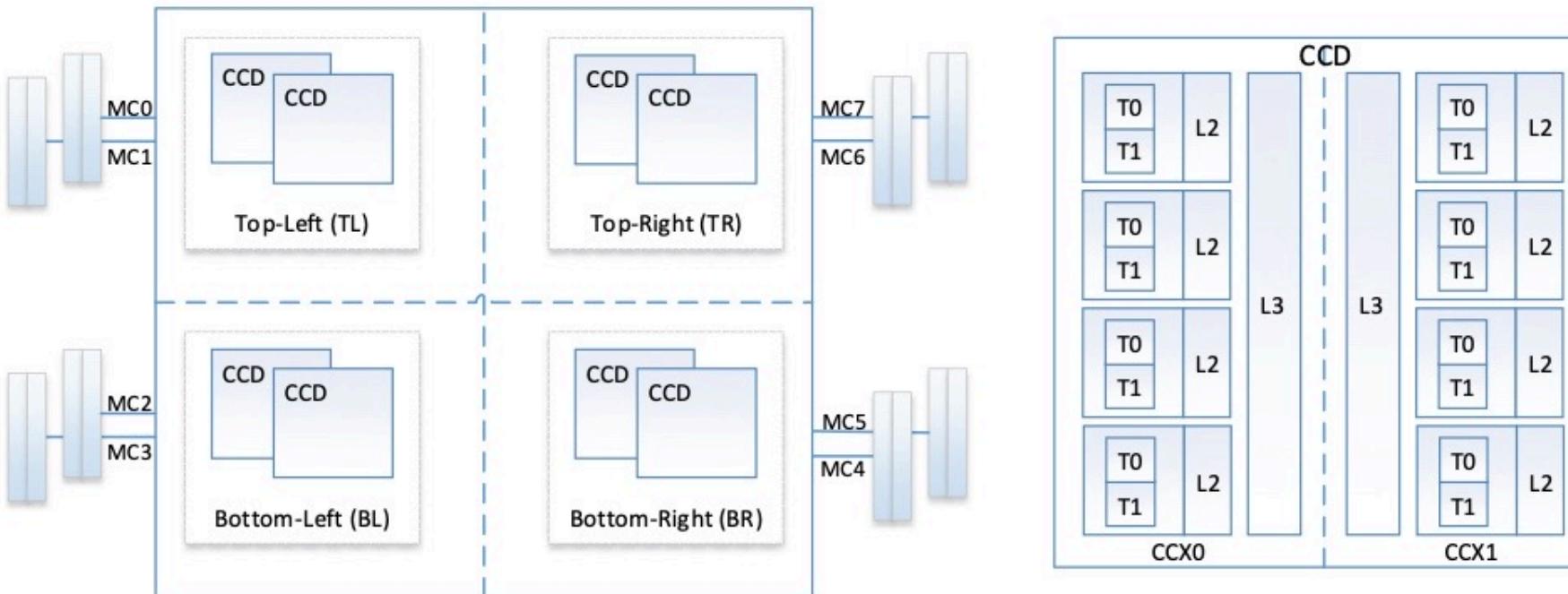
Parallel Computing Terminology

NUMA – Non-Uniform Memory Access. Global address space shared by all cores. Memory is local to each processor or remote, which is slower. Our AMD CPUs have 4 quadrants and we set NPS1 meaning one NUMA node per socket.

Cache – memory that is much faster but smaller and expensive. L1 is on the core, L2 is next to each core and L3 is shared between 4 cores.

Cache Coherence – a write to the cache of one processor is not seen by the others

AMD Rome Core Complex



Parallel Computing Terminology

Distributed Memory – connecting compute nodes with a high-speed network to support large memory or large core workloads (Message passing between nodes)

High Throughput Computing – compute that runs on one node, and in many cases, on one core

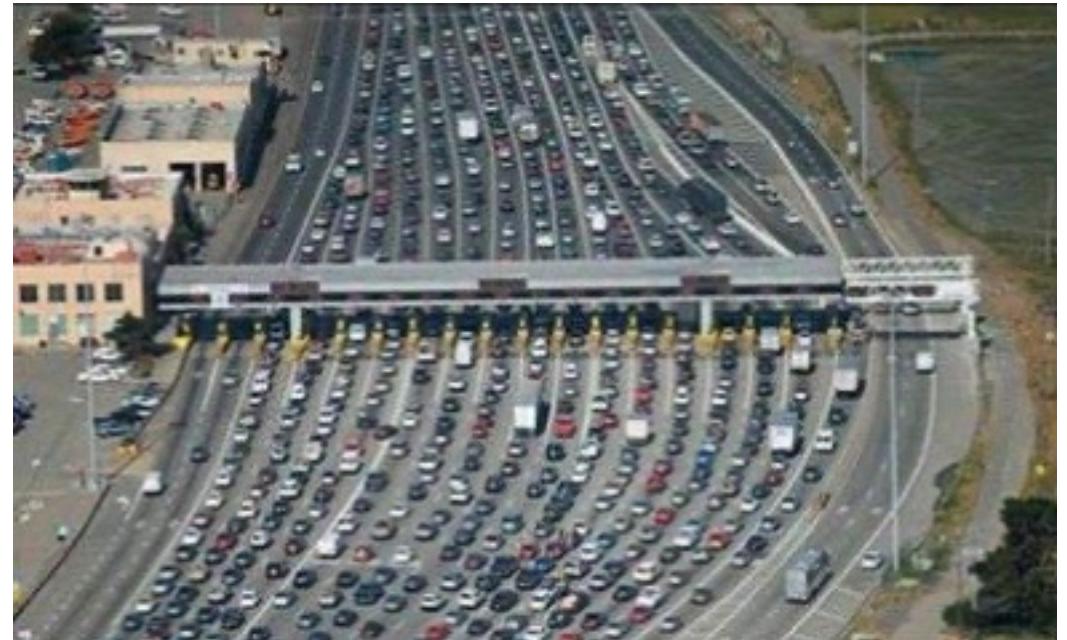
Data Parallel Model – also referred to as the Partitioned Global Address Space (PGAS) model

Massively Parallel – workloads that use many hundreds or thousands of cores

Embarrassingly Parallel – solving many similar but independent tasks with little or no task coordination.

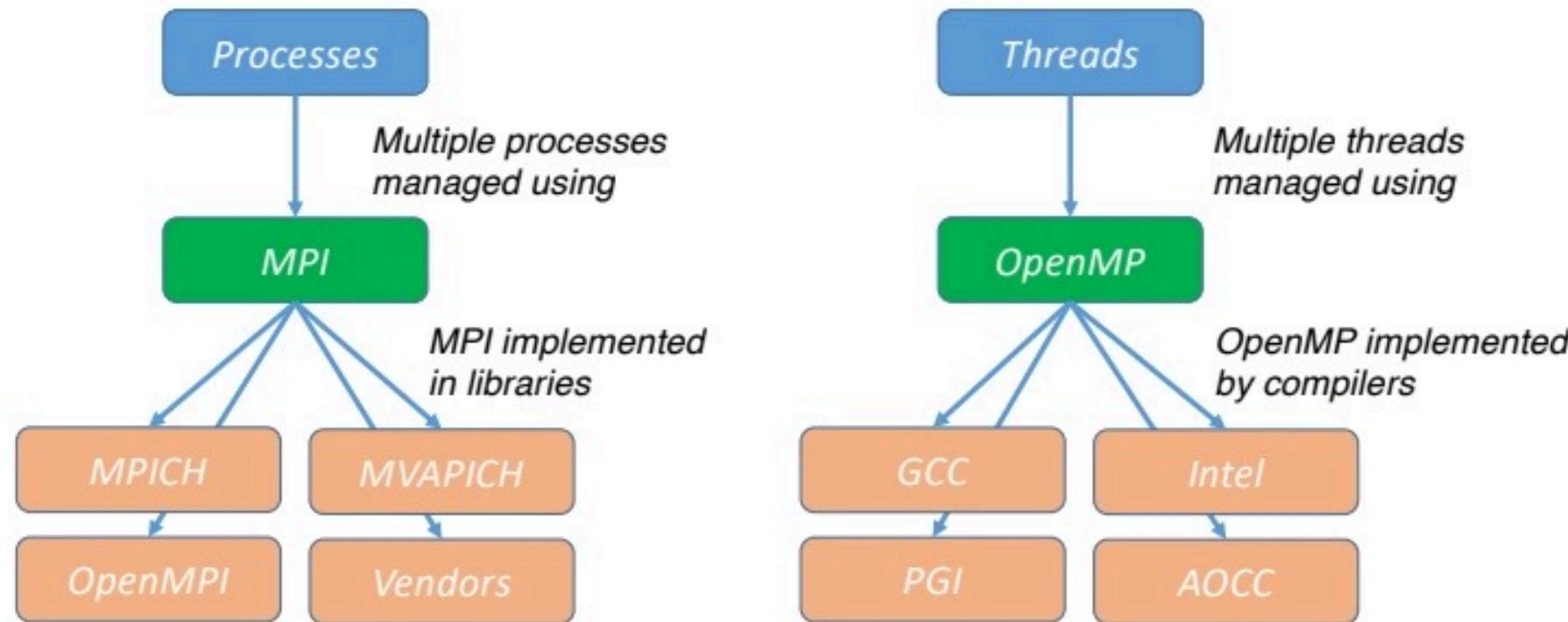
MPI – Message Passing Interface standard which defines multi-node communication.
Implementations include OpenMPI *, Intel MPI *, MPICH, MVAPICH

* We encourage these on Puma and Ocelote



Parallel Computing Terminology

MPI and OpenMP big picture



MPI is a standard for parallelizing C, C++ and Fortran code to run on distributed memory (multiple compute node) systems.

OpenMP is an application programming interface (API) for shared-memory (within a node) parallel programming in C, C++ and Fortran

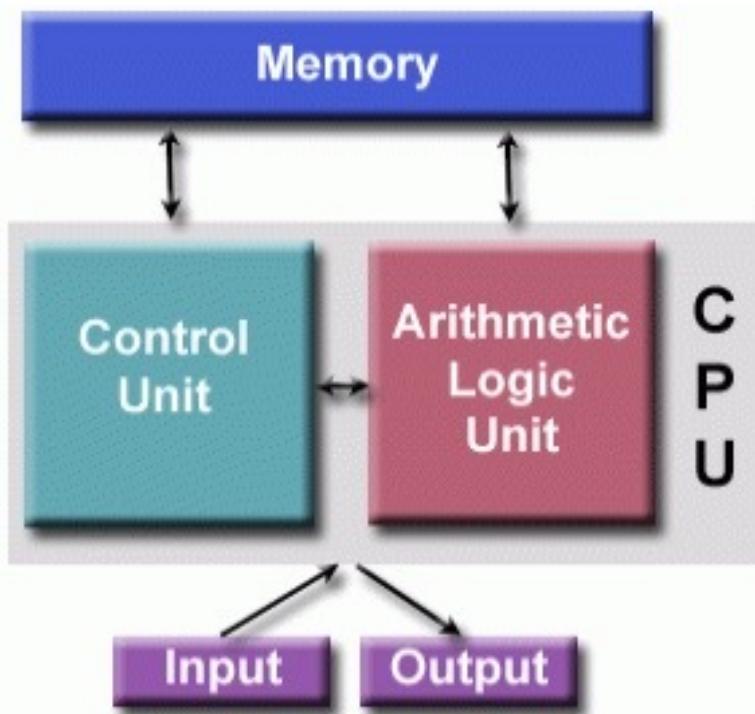
Parallel Computing Theory

von Neumann Computer Architecture

Named after the Hungarian mathematician John von Neumann who first authored the general requirements for an electronic computer in his 1945 papers.

Also known as "stored-program computer" - both program instructions and data are kept in electronic memory. Differs from earlier computers which were programmed through "hard wiring".

Since then, virtually all computers have followed this basic design:



John von Neumann circa 1940s
(Source: LANL archives)

Parallel Computing Theory

Flynn's Classical Taxonomy

There are a number of different ways to classify parallel computers.

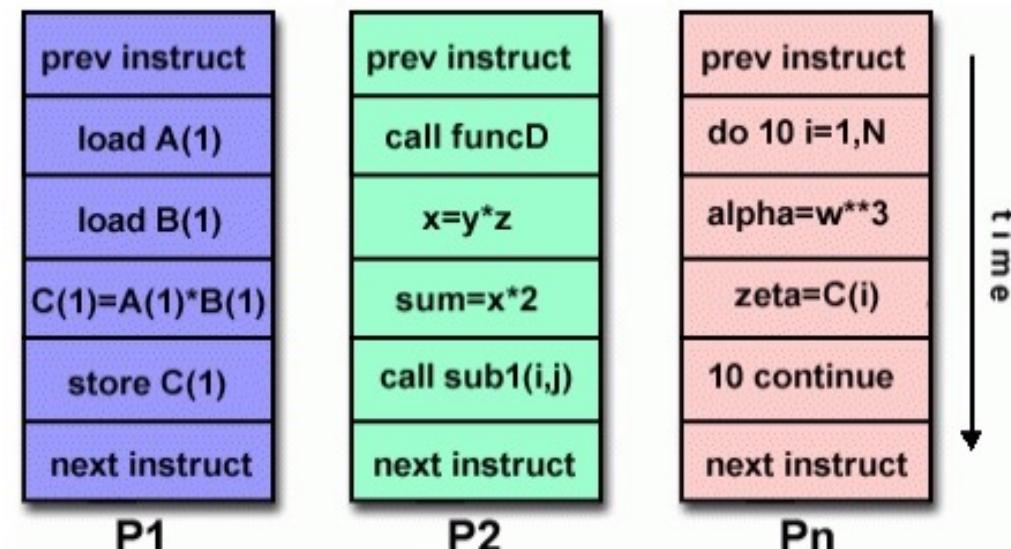
One of the more widely used classifications, in use since 1966, is called Flynn's Taxonomy.

Flynn's taxonomy distinguishes multi-processor computer architectures according to how they can be classified along the two independent dimensions of **Instruction Stream** and **Data Stream**. Each of these dimensions can have only one of two possible states: **Single** or **Multiple**.

The matrix below defines the 4 possible classifications according to Flynn:

S I S D Single Instruction stream Single Data stream	S I M D Single Instruction stream Multiple Data stream
M I S D Multiple Instruction stream Single Data stream	M I M D Multiple Instruction stream Multiple Data stream

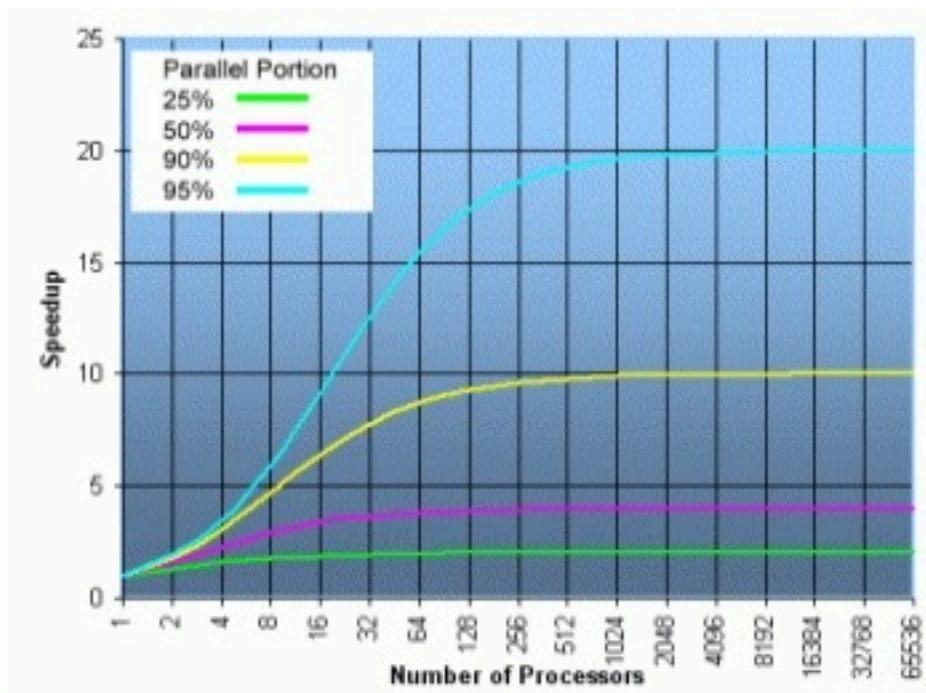
MIMD : Puma



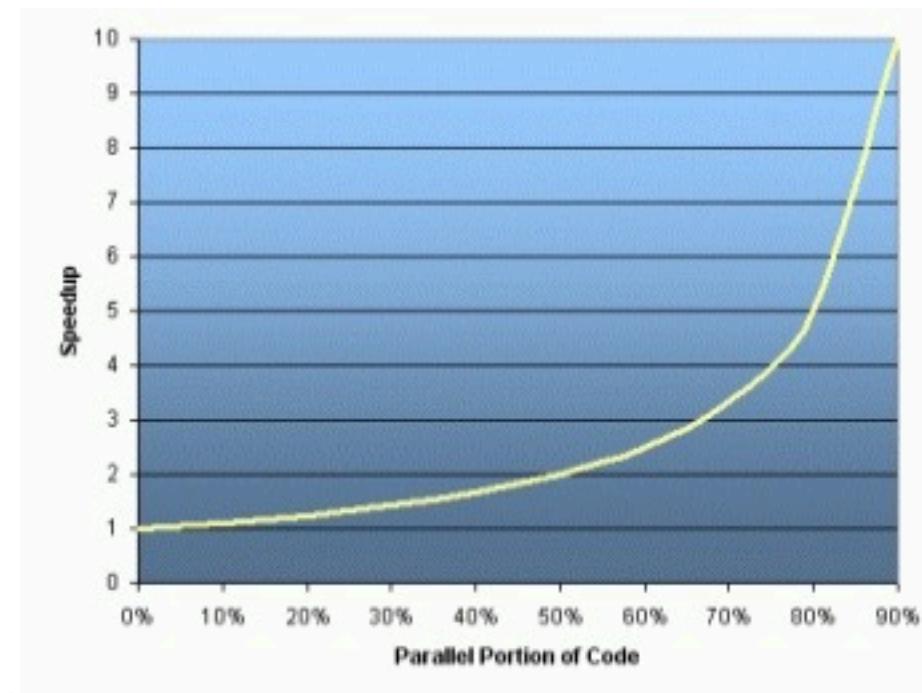
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Amdahl's Law

Amdahl's Law states that potential program speedup is defined by the fraction of code (P) that can be parallelized.



| Speedup when introducing more processors



| Amdahl's law

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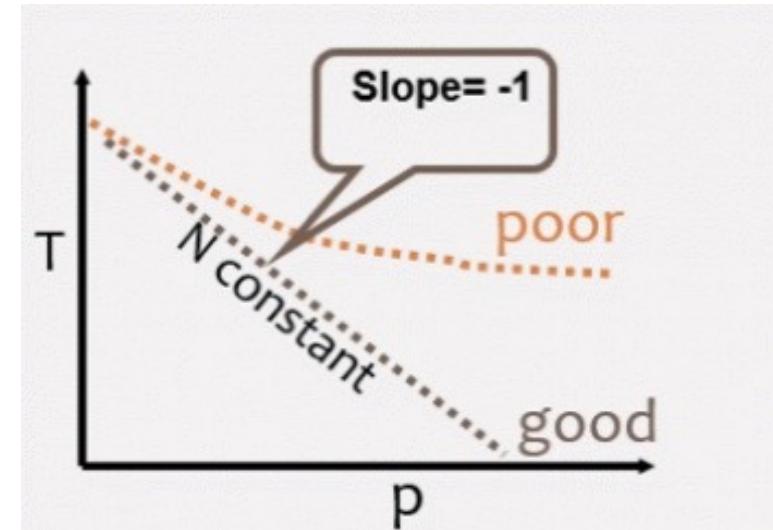
Scalability

Strong scaling (Amdahl):

The total problem size stays fixed as more processors are added.

Goal is to run the same problem size faster

Perfect scaling means problem is solved in $1/P$ time (compared to serial)

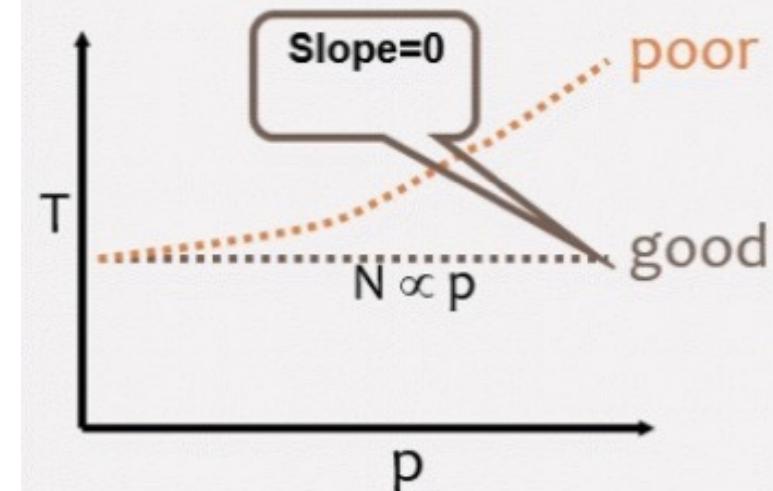


Weak scaling (Gustafson):

The problem size *per processor* stays fixed as more processors are added. The total problem size is proportional to the number of processors used.

Goal is to run larger problem in same amount of time

Perfect scaling means problem Px runs in same time as single processor run

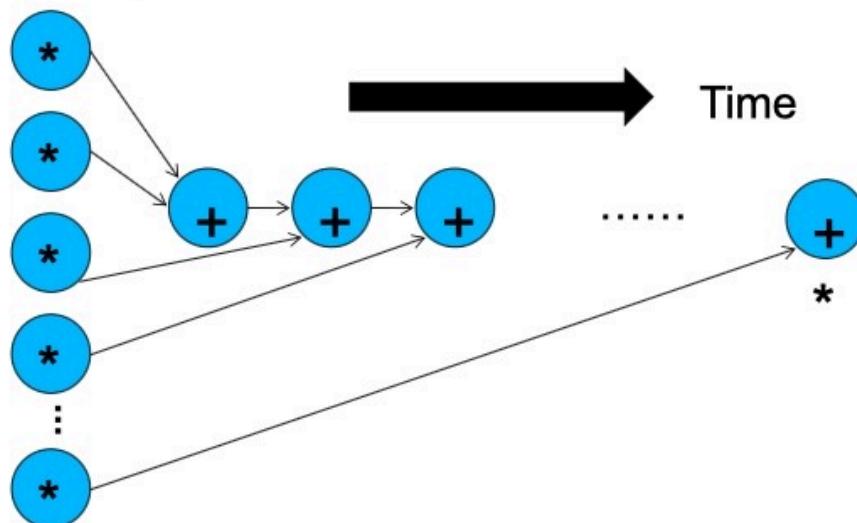


Parallel Computing Theory

Serialized code

A naïve inner product algorithm of two vectors of one million elements each

- All multiplications can be done in one time unit (parallel)
- Additions to a single accumulator in one million time units (serial)



Amdahl's Law

- If fraction X of a computation is serialized, the speedup cannot be more than $1/X$

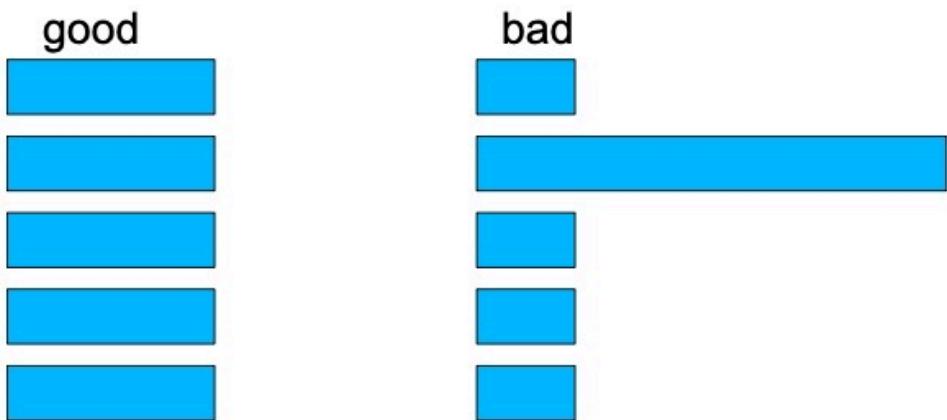
In this example, $X = 50\%$

- Half the calculations are serialized
- No more than 2X speedup is possible no matter how many cores are used

Parallel Computing Theory

Load Balance

The total amount of time to complete a parallel job is limited by the thread that takes the longest to finish



Assume that a job takes 100 units of time for one person to finish

- If we break up the job into 10 parts of 10 units each and have 10 people to do it in parallel, we can get a 10X speedup
- If we break up the job into 50, 10, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5 units, the same 10 people will take 50 units to finish, with 9 of them idling for most of the time. We will get no more than 2X speedup.

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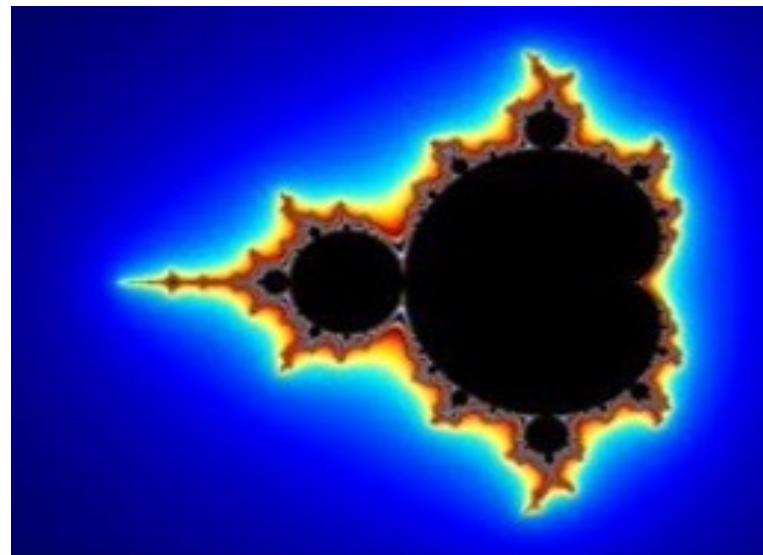
Load Imbalance

Caused by non-uniform data distributions

- sparse datasets
- highly concentrated spatial data areas

Occurs in astronomy, medical imaging, rendering

If each thread processes the input data of a given spatial volume unit, some will do a lot more work than others



Parallel Computing Terminology

MPI Implementations

Julia There is a Julia language wrapper for MPI

MATLAB has its own parallel extension library implemented using MPI and PVM

Python Implementations of MPI include pyMPI, mpi4py, pypar, and MYMPI

The Boost C++ Libraries acquired Boost:MPI which include the MPI Python Bindings.

R Bindings of MPI include Rmpi and pbdMPI.

On HPC we support OpenMPI and Intel MPI. OpenMPI is a default module that is loaded with GCC 8.3 Intel MPI is provided when you unload OpenMPI and GCC, and then load the Intel compiler.

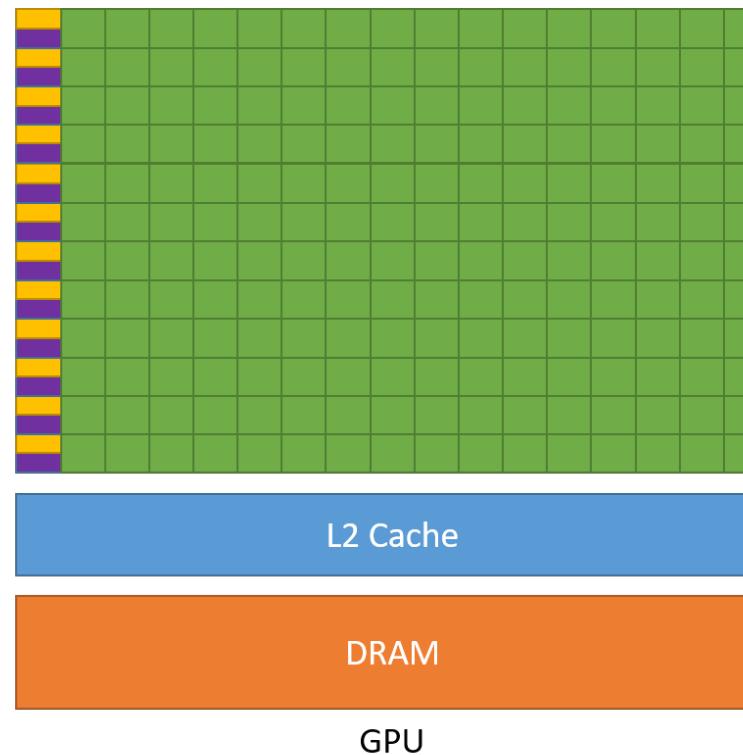
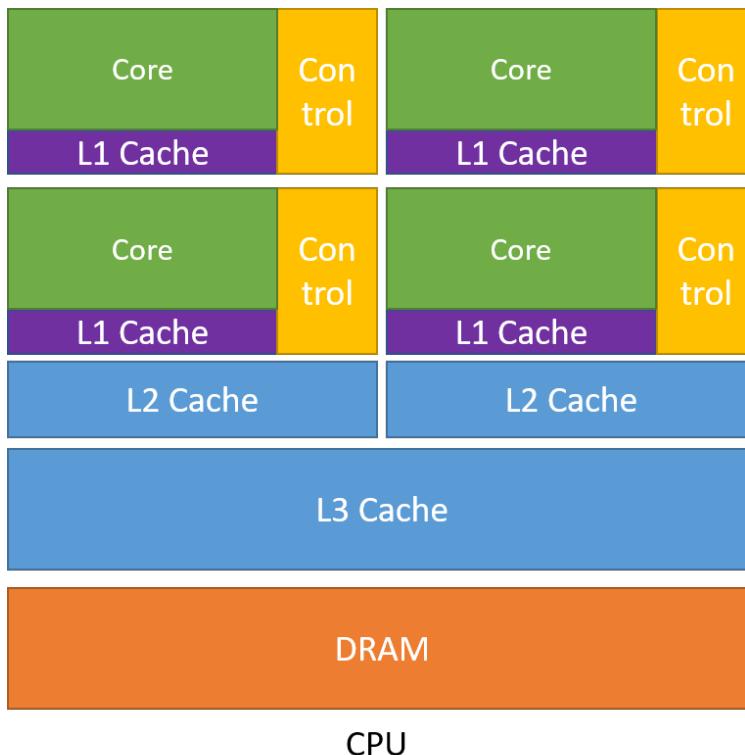
By default, modules on HPC are compiled with OpenMPI



Parallel Computing CPU vs GPU

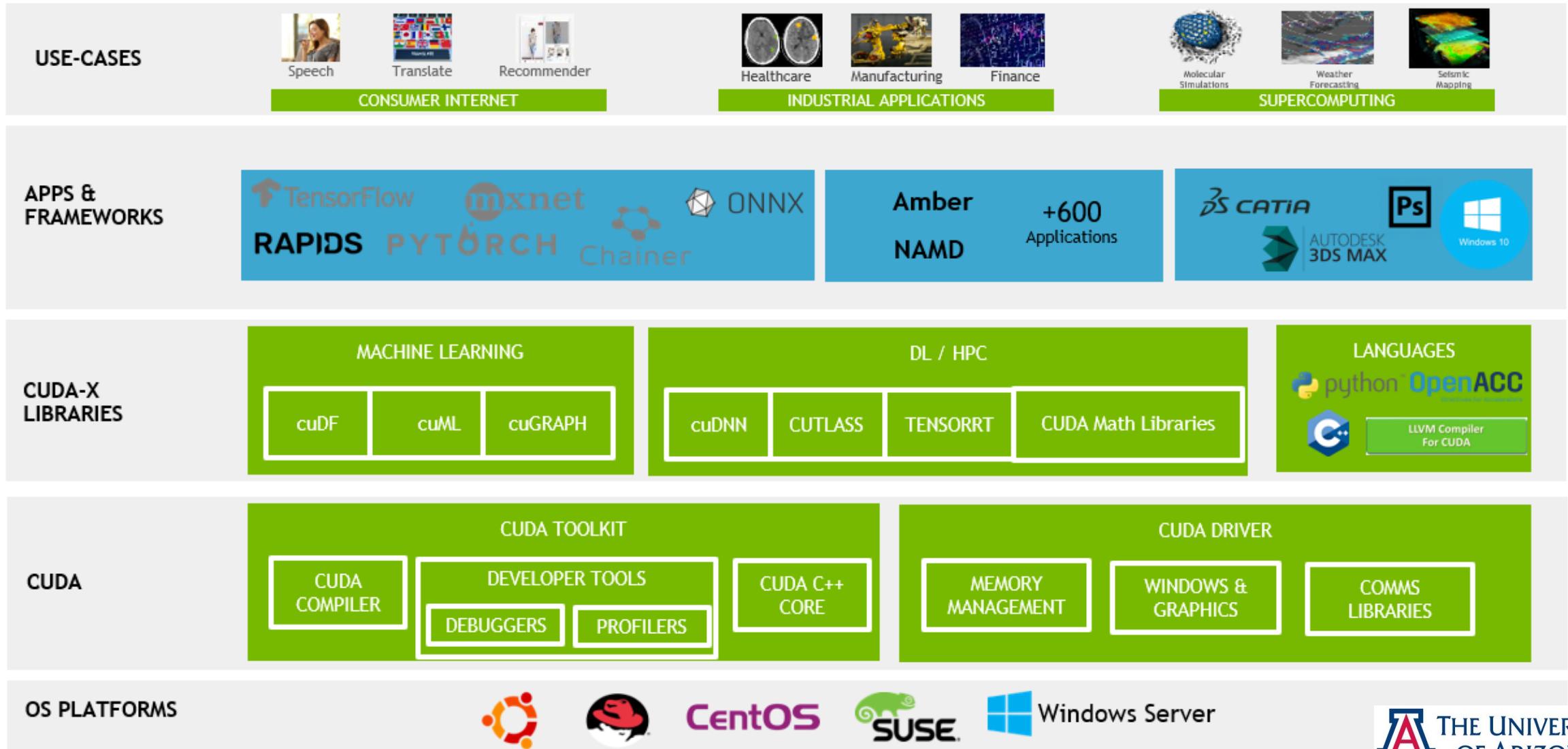
GPUs were made for parallel computing with many more, less powerful cores

- Large caches
 - Sophisticated control
 - Powerful ALU
- Small cache
 - Simple control
 - Many Energy efficient ALUs



Parallel Computing GPU

Nvidia has an elaborate and growing ecosystem based on CUDA which provides the parallel support



Parallel Computing GPU

- CPUs for **sequential** code where latency matters
- GPU's can be 20X or more times faster for **parallel** code

Most of these applications are installed as modules on HPC

Tensorflow

PyTorch

Matlab

NAMD

LAMMPS

Quantum ESPRESSO

Gromacs

Relion

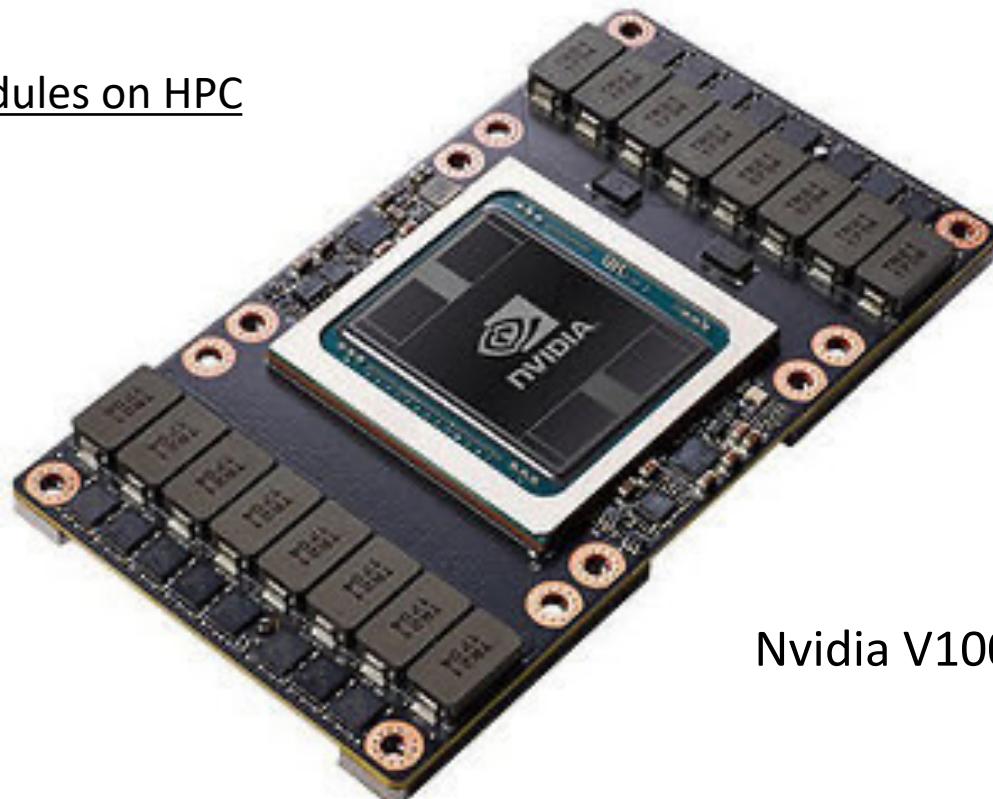
Nvidia RAPIDS

Julia

Folding@home

Caffe2

Schrodinger



Nvidia V100

Parallel Programming

This parallel algorithm to calculate part of the Fibonacci series ..

$$F_n = \frac{\varphi^n - (-\varphi)^{-n}}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{\varphi^n - (-\varphi)^{-n}}{2\varphi - 1}.$$

where

$$\varphi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \approx 1.61803\ 39887\dots$$

.. is beyond the scope of this workshop.

A more extensive overview of parallel programming can be found at:

<https://hpc.llnl.gov/documentation/tutorials/introduction-parallel-computing-tutorial>

Performance Analysis and Tuning

Installed as a module

HPCToolkit/ hpctoolkit

HPCToolkit performance tools: measurement and analysis components

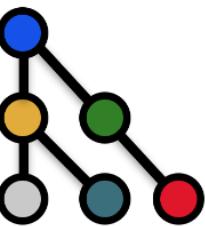
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Installed in operating system



An integrated suite of tools for measurement and analysis of program performance

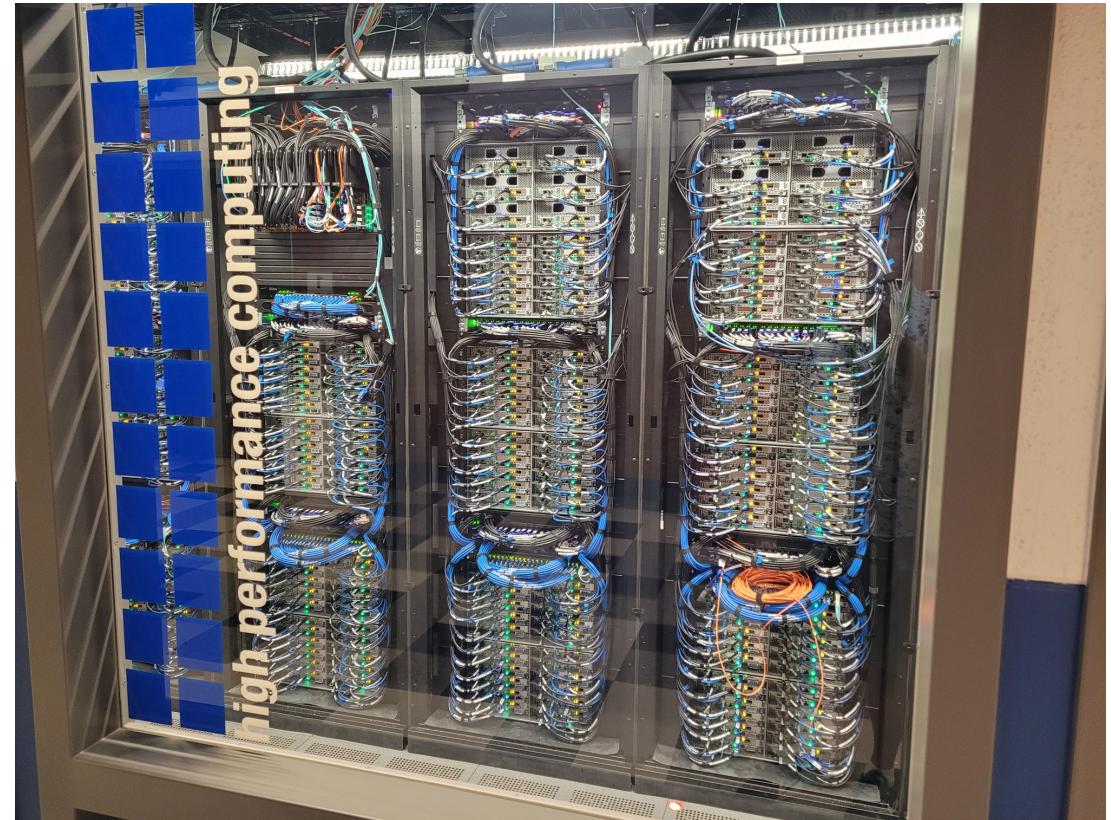
Tools that can automatically detect many memory management and threading bugs, and profile your programs in detail.

Parallel Computing on HPC

This example Slurm script runs the Hello World executable on 10 cores on each of 3 nodes

```
#!/bin/bash
#SBATCH --job-name=Multi-Node-MPI-Job
#SBATCH --ntasks=30
#SBATCH --nodes=3
#SBATCH --ntasks-per-node=10
#SBATCH --time=00:01:00
#SBATCH --partition=standard
#SBATCH --account=YOUR_GROUP

module load gnu8 openmpi3
mpicc -o hello_world hello_world.c
mpirun -np $SLURM_NTASKS ./hello_world
```



<https://ua-researchcomputing-hpc.github.io/MPI-Examples/Multi-Node-MPI-Job/>

Parallel Computing on HPC

Using an Array to Submit Multiple jobs

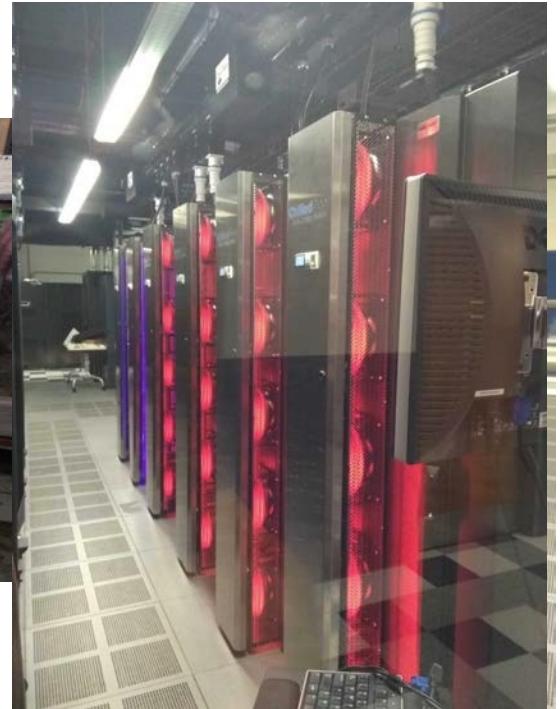
Instead of this:

```
for i in $( seq 1 10 ); do sbatch script.slurm <submission options> ; done
```

Do this:

```
#!/bin/bash
#SBATCH --ntasks=1
#SBATCH --nodes=1
#SBATCH --time=00:01:00
#SBATCH --partition=standard
#SBATCH --account=YOUR_GROUP
#SBATCH --array 1-5
```

```
echo "./sample_command input_file_${SLURM_ARRAY_TASK_ID}.in"
```



<https://ua-researchcomputing-hpc.github.io/Array-and-Parallel/Basic-Array-Job/>

Parallel Computing on HPC

Using gnu parallel to parallelize multiple tasks within one job

```
#!/bin/bash
#SBATCH --ntasks=28
#SBATCH --nodes=1
#SBATCH --time=00:01:00
#SBATCH --partition=standard
#SBATCH --account=YOUR_GROUP
```

module load parallel

```
seq 1 100 | parallel 'DATE=$( date + "%T" ) && sleep 0.{} && echo "Host: $HOSTNAME ; Date: $DATE; {}"'
```

Output

```
(ocelote) [netid@junonia ~]$ head slurm-74027.out
Host: i10n18 ; Date: 16:45:55; 1
Host: i10n18 ; Date: 16:45:55; 10
Host: i10n18 ; Date: 16:45:55; 11
```



For people who live life in the parallel lane

Parallel Computing on HPC - R

Quick Intro to Parallel Computing in R

<https://nceas.github.io/oss-lessons/parallel-computing-in-r/parallel-computing-in-r.html>

Using an Array with an R script

You can create an R script that generates 1000 randomized 1s and 0s, store them as a dataframe, then save the dataframe to an output file.

Then run this R script as an array job.

<https://ua-researchcomputing-hpc.github.io/R-Examples/R-Array-Jobs/>

Check out the tidyverse – an opinionated collection of R packages designed for data science
install.packages("tidyverse")

For an excellent hands-on Parallel Analysis in R tutorial:

<https://github.com/ljdursi/beyond-single-core-R>

It covers these packages:

parallel, foreach, bigmemory, Rdsm, pbdR



Parallel Computing on HPC - Python

The Python **multiprocessing** package is a popular way to distribute a workflow over multiple CPUs on a single node. In this example, we'll be spreading 1000 processes over multiple CPUs using a **pool** of workers.

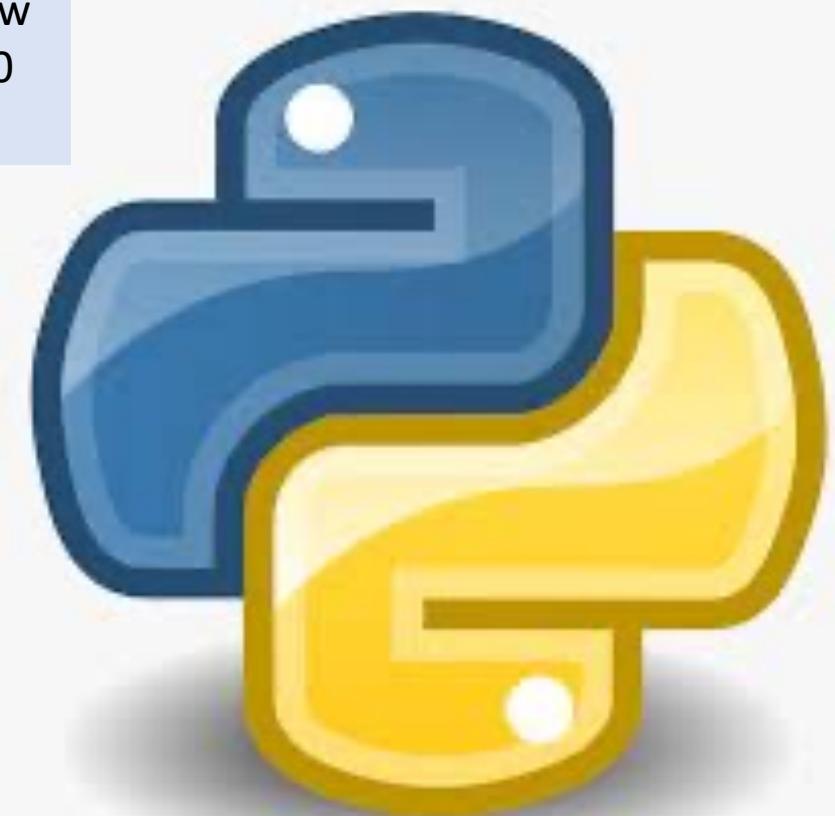
```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

import os, time
from multiprocessing import Pool

num_cpus=int(os.environ["SLURM_CPUS_ON_NODE"])
print("Running a pool with %s workers"%num_cpus)

def f(x):
    # The sleep will allow us to get a sense of the speedup
    time.sleep(1)
    return x*x

if __name__=="__main__":
    with Pool(num_cpus) as p:
        data = range(1,1000)
        # p.map takes an iterable, maps it onto a function, and executes the processes
        # distributed over the allocated CPUs using the pool of workers
        output = p.map(f,data)
```



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.. continued. Submit the script with different CPU allocations to see the speedup.
Set `--cpus-per-task=N`

```
#!/bin/bash
#SBATCH --job-name=Sample_Multiprocessing
### Stick to 1 task for python multiprocessing and request
### CPUs using the --cpus-per-task option
#SBATCH --ntasks=1
### Set cpus-per-task below to the number of processes
#SBATCH --cpus-per-task=1
#SBATCH --nodes=1
#SBATCH --time=05:00:00
#SBATCH --partition=standard
#SBATCH --account=YOUR_GROUP
```

```
module load python/3.6
time python3 multiprocess.py
```

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