

Mid-term Examination

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5/5 Problem 1: Compare and contrast shared memory and message passing programming models, giving at least four attributes for each.

shared memory: 1) ~~very~~ <sup>relatively</sup> simple over sequential code if just have one algorithm  
(like openmp) 2) scalable on big problem size but loss to the mpt  
3) incrementation <sup>implementation</sup> speedup  
4) not identical to each vendor ok.  
5) Imp? openmp  
message passing program = 1) general model that can be applicable  
on many platforms.

2) can get high performance ✓  
3) allow us to get full control of the data location  
and data flow ✓  
4) not for data parallelizing loss suitable  
5) ~~very~~ <sup>more</sup> complex over sequential code even just one algorithm.

**Problem 2:** A sequential program depends on data of size  $N$  and has performance of  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$ . It also takes  $\tau_i + N$  time units to execute the serial portion of the code (input, output, setup, etc.). The program's parallelizable portion executes in  $100N^2$  time units.

- Derive an expression for the parallel speedup,  $S(N, P)$ , in terms of  $N$  and the number of processors,  $P$ .
- Similarly express the parallel efficiency,  $\mathcal{E}(N, P)$ , assuming  $\tau_i \ll N$ .
- Express in terms of  $P$  the maximum speedup for this program for  $N = 10^5$ , again assuming  $\tau_i \ll N$ . For what value of  $P$  does the parallel efficiency drop to 50%?
- Now suppose that  $\tau_i = N^2$ . For what value of  $P$  does the parallel efficiency now drop to 50%?

10/10 a) 
$$S(N, P) = \frac{T_s}{T_P} = \frac{(\tau_i + N) + (100N^2)}{(\tau_i + N) + (100N^2)/P}$$

$$= \frac{P}{1 + (P-1) \frac{\tau_i + N}{\tau_i + N + 100N^2}}$$

if  $\tau_i \ll N$

10/10 b) 
$$\mathcal{E}(N, P) = \frac{S(N, P)}{P} = \frac{1}{1 + (P-1) \frac{\tau_i + N}{\tau_i + N + 100N^2}} \approx \frac{1}{1 + (P-1) \frac{1}{1 + 100N}}$$

10/10 c) 
$$S(N, P) \approx \frac{P}{1 + (P-1) \frac{1}{1 + 100N}} = \frac{P}{1 + (P-1) \frac{1}{1 + 100 \cdot 10^5}} \leq P$$

$$\mathcal{E}(N, P) = \frac{1}{1 + (P-1) \frac{1}{100 \cdot 10^5}} \approx 50\%$$

$$P = 10^7 \quad \text{✓}$$

5/5 d)  $\tau_i = N^2$

$$\mathcal{E}(N, P) = \frac{1}{1 + (P-1) \frac{N^2 + N}{N^2 + N + 100N^2}} = \frac{1}{1 + (P-1) \frac{N+1}{101N+1}} = 0.5$$

$$N = 10^5, \quad P = 102 \quad \text{✓}$$

problem 1) shared memory = share the same address space.

message passing programming: Use separate address space, and task cannot access to other data without sending messages.

### shared memory (openmp)

1. shared memory address space ✓
2. simpler over sequential code if with one algorithm ✓
3. use incrementation speedup (openmp).
4. Thread model for data paralleling.
5. Scalable on big problem size X less so than MPI
6. implementation not identical to each vendor. (openmp) ✓

### message passing programming

1. separate memory address space ✓
2. very complex over sequential code even just with one algorithm
3. can achieve a large parallel performance
4. not for data paralleling most for task paralleling.
5. allow us to get full control of data location and data flow.
6. general model that is applicable on many platforms. ✓
7. easy to get speedup X not really
8. get higher performance, we need to re-engineer the code.

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