

The Sieve of Eratosthenes

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 - easy to determine “owner” of each index
 - leads to load imbalance for this problem
- block data decomposition
 - balances loads
 - more complicated to determine owner if n not a multiple of p

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Let $r = n \bmod p$.

if $r = 0$, assign $\frac{n}{p}$ elements per task.

Otherwise,

first r tasks get $\left\lceil \frac{n}{p} \right\rceil$

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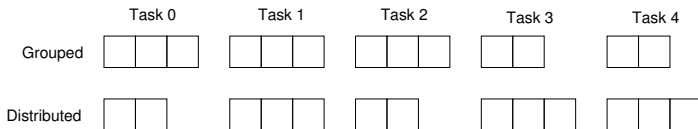
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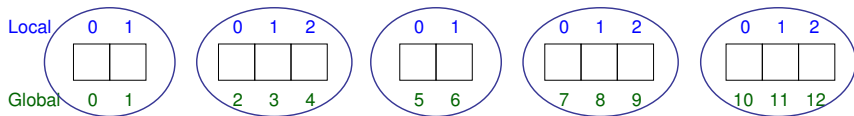
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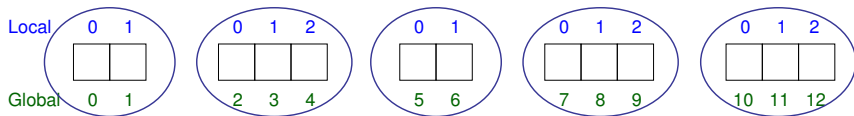
Block Decomposition Macros

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#define BLOCK_OWNER(index,p,n) (((p)*((index)+1)-1)/(n))
```

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- Sequential program

```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    ...  
}
```

- Parallel program

```
size = BLOCK_SIZE (id, p, n);  
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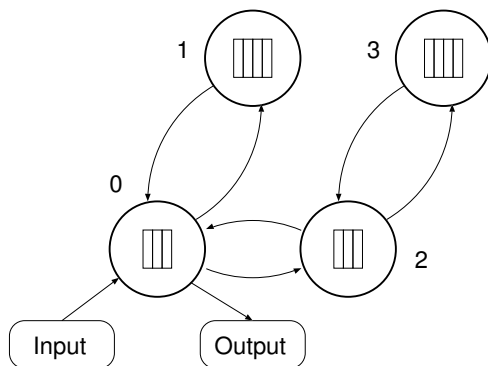
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5. Reduction to compute number of primes

Function MPI_Bcast

```
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    void *buffer,          /* Addr of 1st element */  
    int count,             /* # elements to broadcast */  
    MPI_Datatype datatype, /* Type of elements */  
    int root,              /* ID of root process */  
    MPI_Comm comm)        /* Communicator */
```

```
MPI_Bcast (&k, 1, MPI_INT, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

Task / Channel Model



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Code (1/4)

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#include <math.h>
#include <stdio.h>
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#define BLOCK_HIGH(id,p,n) (BLOCK_LOW((id)+1,p,n)-1)
#define BLOCK_SIZE(id,p,n) (BLOCK_LOW((id)+1)-BLOCK_LOW(id))

int main (int argc, char *argv[])
{
    ...
    MPI_Init (&argc, &argv);
    MPI_Barrier(MPI_COMM_WORLD);
    elapsed_time = -MPI_Wtime();
    MPI_Comm_rank (MPI_COMM_WORLD, &id);
    MPI_Comm_size (MPI_COMM_WORLD, &p);
    if (argc != 2) {
        if (!id) printf ("Command line: %s <m>\n", argv[0]);
        MPI_Finalize(); exit (1);
    }
}
```


Code (2/4)

```
n = atoi(argv[1]);
low_value = 2 + BLOCK_LOW(id,p,n-1);
high_value = 2 + BLOCK_HIGH(id,p,n-1);
size = BLOCK_SIZE(id,p,n-1);
proc0_size = (n-1)/p;
if ((2 + proc0_size) < (int) sqrt((double) n)) {
    if (!id) printf ("Too many processes\n");
    MPI_Finalize(); exit (1);
}

marked = (char *) malloc (size);
if (marked == NULL) {
    printf ("Cannot allocate enough memory\n");
    MPI_Finalize(); exit (1);
}

for (i = 0; i < size; i++) marked[i] = 0;
```

Code (3/4)

```
if (!id) index = 0;
prime = 2;
do {
    if (prime * prime > low_value)
        first = prime * prime - low_value;
    else {
        if (!(low_value % prime)) first = 0;
        else first = prime - (low_value % prime);
    }
    for (i = first; i < size; i += prime) marked[i] = 1;
    if (!id) {
        while (marked[++index]);
        prime = index + 2;
    }
    MPI_Bcast (&prime, 1, MPI_INT, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
} while (prime * prime <= n);
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Code (4/4)

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count = 0;
for (i = 0; i < size; i++)
    if (!marked[i]) count++;

MPI_Reduce (&count, &global_count, 1, MPI_INT, MPI_SUM,
           0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);

elapsed_time += MPI_Wtime();
if (!id) {
    printf ("%d primes are less than or equal to %d\n",
           global_count, n);
    printf ("Total elapsed time: %10.6f\n", elapsed_time);
}

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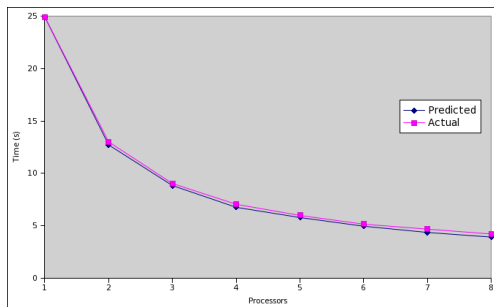
Experimental estimation of λ : sequence of broadcasts using $p = 2, 3, \dots, 8$ processors.

$$\lambda = 250 \mu s$$

Using $n = 10^8$, execution times of the algorithm were measured and compared against the above formula, for $p = 2, 3, \dots, 8$ processors.

Experimental Results

| p | Predicted | Actual |
|-----|-----------|--------|
| 1 | 24,9 | 24,9 |
| 2 | 12,7 | 13,0 |
| 3 | 8,8 | 9,0 |
| 4 | 6,8 | 7,1 |
| 5 | 5,8 | 6,0 |
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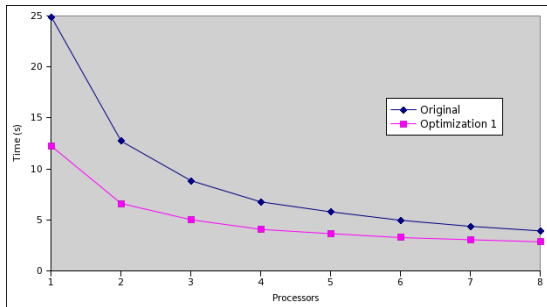
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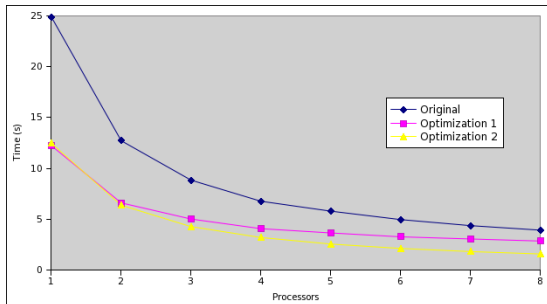
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⇒ replace $\lambda \lceil \log p \rceil \sqrt{n} / \log \sqrt{n}$ by $\alpha \sqrt{n} \log \log \sqrt{n}$

New expected parallel execution time:

$$\alpha \left(\frac{n \log \log n}{2p} + \sqrt{n} \log \log \sqrt{n} \right) + \lambda \lceil \log p \rceil$$

| p | Original | Optimized |
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| 1 | 24,9 | 12,5 |
| 2 | 13,0 | 6,4 |
| 3 | 9,0 | 4,3 |
| 4 | 7,1 | 3,2 |
| 5 | 6,0 | 2,6 |
| 6 | 5,2 | 2,1 |
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Solution?

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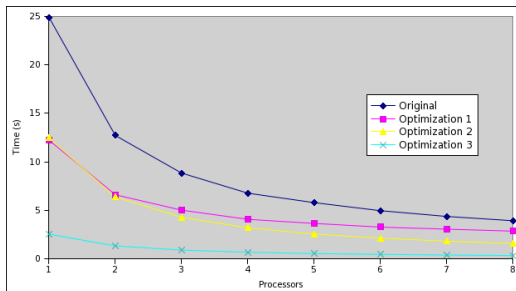
Solution: reorganize loops

⇒ mark each element of the array for all sieves between 3 and \sqrt{n}

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| p | Original | Opt.I | Opt.II | Opt.III |
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| 1 | 24,9 | 12,2 | 12,5 | 2,5 |
| 2 | 13,0 | 6,6 | 6,4 | 1,3 |
| 3 | 9,0 | 5,0 | 4,3 | 0,9 |
| 4 | 7,1 | 4,1 | 3,2 | 0,7 |
| 5 | 6,0 | 3,7 | 2,6 | 0,5 |
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