

Parallel Programming

COMP5112

Course Introduction

Course Background

- A CSE 5000-level PG course
 - First offered last year as a CSE non-core PG course
 - BECOMES a CSE PG CORE course this time!
 - A WRITTEN FINAL EXAM
 - Assume CSE basic programming, OS, Algorithms
 - Reference books and structured lectures
 - Parallel programming knowledge and PRACTICE
 - PG level with a little research flavor?

Lecture Time and Venue

- Wed/Fri at 1:30-2:50PM
- Default makeup class time: Mon at 1:30-2:50PM
- Rm 2304, Lift 17-18
 - Subject to change
 - Auditing or sitting in welcome
- Feb 6 Mon - May 5 Fri except Apr 12,14, May 3
 - Feb 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 22, 24
 - Mar 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, 31
 - Apr 5, 7, 19, 21, 26, 28
 - May 5

Workload & Assessment

- Tentative plan
 - Project 50%, Final Exam 50%
- Your suggestion?

Course Topics

- Introduction to parallel computer architectures
- Principles of parallel algorithm design
- Shared-memory programming models
- Message passing programming models
- Data-parallel programming models for GPUs
- Case studies of parallel algorithms, systems, and applications
- Hands-on experience with writing parallel programs for tasks of interest

Parallel Computer Architectures

- Review on OS and Computer Architecture
 - The von Neumann architecture
 - Processes, multitasking, and threads
 - Modifications to the von Neumann Model
 - Caches
 - Virtual memory
 - Instruction-level parallelism
 - Hardware multithreading
- Parallel Hardware
 - SIMD systems
 - MIMD systems
 - Interconnection networks
 - Cache coherence
 - Shared-memory versus distributed-memory

Principles of parallel algorithm design

- Preliminaries
 - Decomposition, Tasks, and Dependency Graphs
 - Granularity, Concurrency, and Task-Interaction
 - Processes and Mapping
- Decomposition Techniques
- Mapping Techniques for Load Balancing
- Methods for Containing Interaction Overheads
- Parallel Algorithm Models

Shared-memory programming models

- Pthreads
 - Critical sections, busy-waiting, mutexes
 - Producer-Consumer Synchronization and Semaphores
 - Barriers and Condition Variables
 - Read-Write Locks
 - Caches, Cache Coherence, and False Sharing
 - Thread safety
- OpenMP

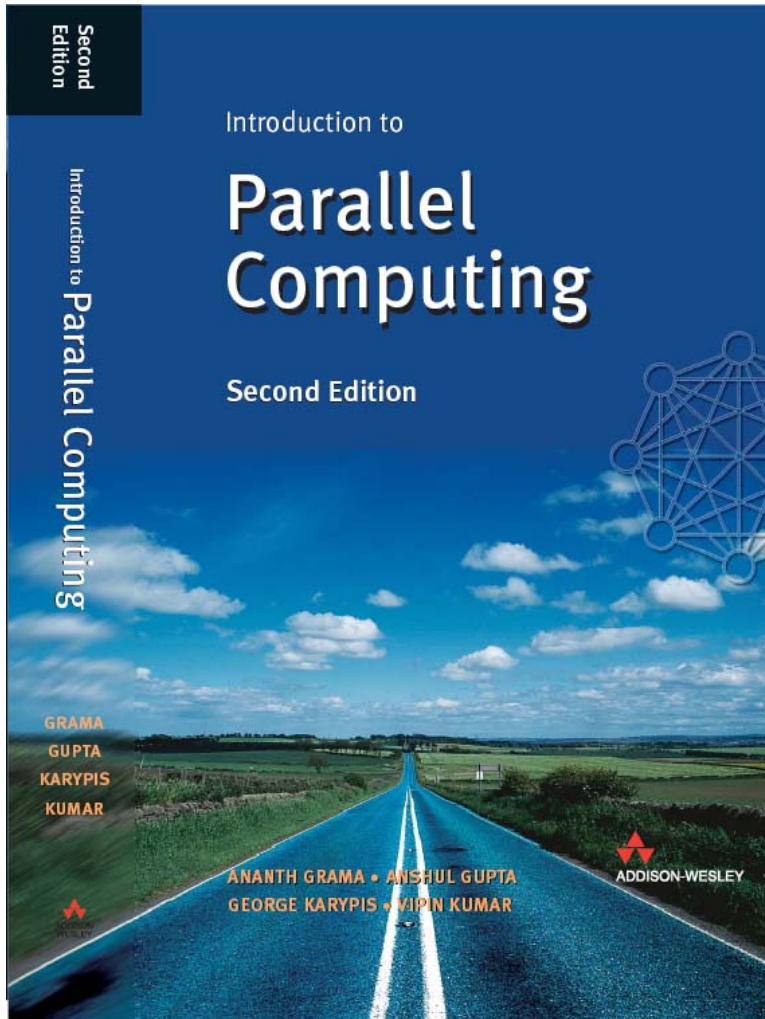
Message passing programming models

- Principles of Message-Passing Programming
- Building Blocks: Send and Receive Operations
- MPI: the Message Passing Interface
- Collective Communication and Computation Operations
 - Gather, Scatter, Prefix, Reduction, Broadcast, Barrier, and so on

Data-parallel programming models for GPUs

- NVIDIA GPU Architecture and CUDA C
- Single-Instruction Multiple-Threads Model
- CUDA Memories
- Performance Considerations
- Parallel Patterns
 - Gather, Scatter, Reduction, Prefix Scan, and so on
- Case Studies

Reference Book 1



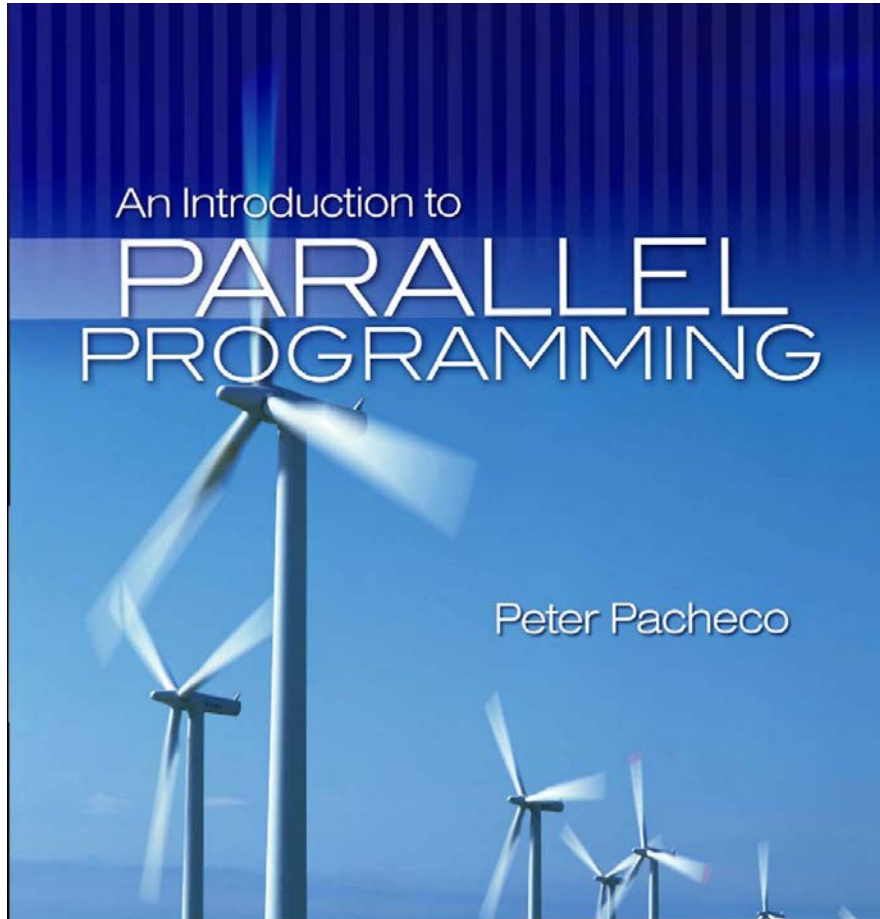
Introduction to Parallel Computing 2nd edition

By Ananth Grama, Anshul Gupta, George Karypis, Vipin Kumar.

Addison Wesley, 2003.

<http://www-users.cs.umn.edu/~karypis/parbook/>

Reference Book 2



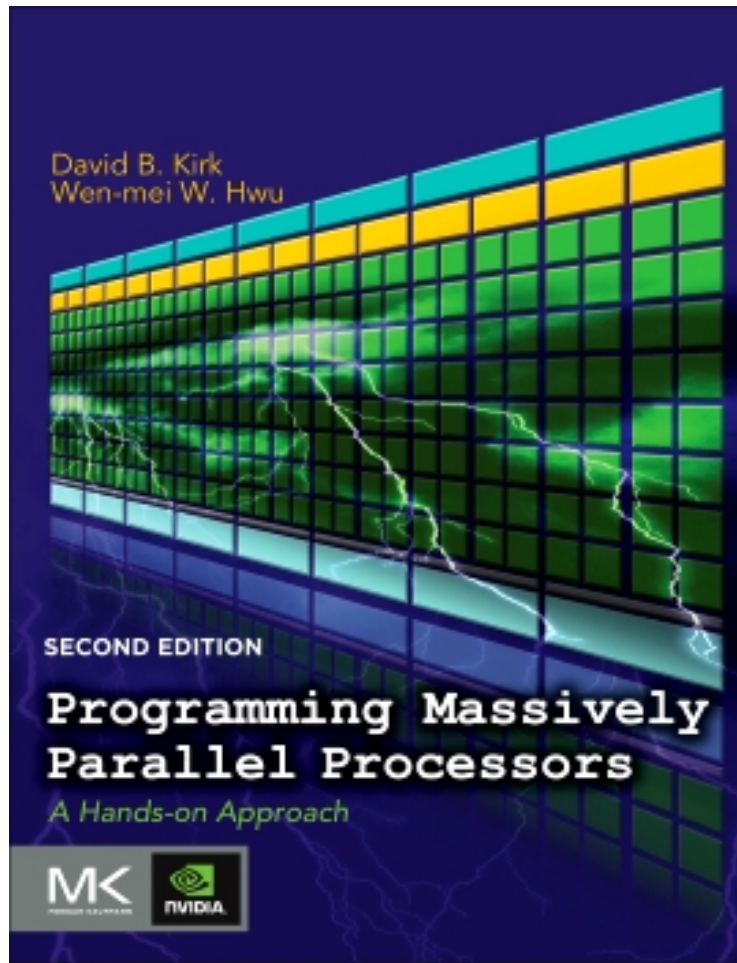
An Introduction to Parallel Programming

By Peter Pacheco

Morgan Kaufmann, 2011

<https://www.cs.usfca.edu/~peter/ipp/>

Reference Book 3



**Programming Massively
Parallel Processors:
A Hands-on Approach
2nd Edition
Author(s) : Kirk & Hwu
2013
Morgan Kaufmann**

Full-text Online Access:

<http://library.ust.hk/cgi/db/24x7.pl?id/51033>

Computer Facilities

- Any computers within your access
- CSE Teaching Labs 1-4
- CSE Computer Clusters
 - <http://cssystem.cse.ust.hk/Facilities/index.html>

Feedback from You

- Optional: Name, Program, Year, Contact
- Enrollment status: enrolled/not enrolled
- Level of interest in the course
 - Will definitely drop/will definitely take/likely to take/likely to drop/not sure
- Background
 - C/C++ programming, OS, Algorithms, Architecture
- Access to computing facilities
- Any other comments
 - workload, assessment, topics, and so on