

# TDDD56: Multicore and GPU programming

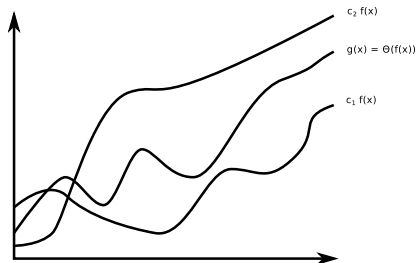
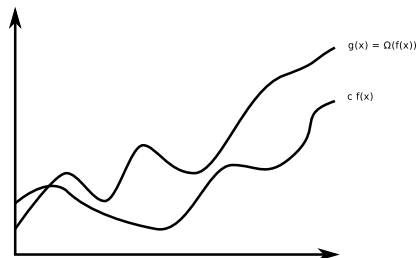
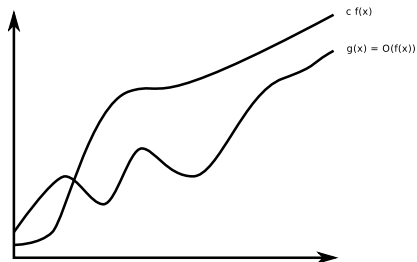
## Theory definitions

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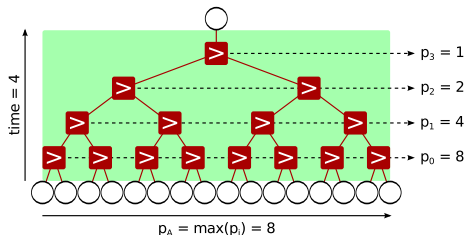
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# Definitions: Big-O notation



# Definitions: metrics

- Let  $A$  be a parallel algorithm which best sequential equivalent runs in  $t_{seq}(n)$  time units.
- Let  $p_A = \max(p_{A,i})$
- Work  $w_A(p_A, n) =$  number of (non-idle) instructions for  $n$ -long input using  $p_A$  processors
  - ▶ Red surface, each square is unit
  - ▶ Red links included, depending on execution model
- Cost  $c_A(p_A, n) = p_A \cdot t_A(p_A, n)$ 
  - ▶ Green surface
- Work optimality:  
 $w_A(p_A, n) = O(t_{A,seq}(n))$
- Cost effectiveness:  
 $c_A(p_A, n) \leq w_A(p_A, n)$
- Cost optimality:  
 $c_A(p_A, n) = O(t_{A,seq}(n))$



# Definitions: parallel machines

- RAM: Random Access Machine
- PRAM: Parallel Random Access Machine
  - ▶ EREW PRAM: Exclusive Read, Exclusive Write PRAM
  - ▶ CREW PRAM: Concurrent Read, Exclusive Write PRAM
  - ▶ CRCW PRAM: Concurrent Read, Concurrent Write PRAM
    - ★ Weak: all parallel writes must be writing 0, or incorrect algorithm
    - ★ Common: all parallel writes must be writing the same value, or incorrect algorithm
    - ★ Arbitrary: one rule defines which processor can write
    - ★ Priority: priorities are statically set to core; the higher priority core can write
    - ★ Combining: apply reductions to concurrent writes: add, min/max, bitwise OR, etc