

Understanding parallelism

SpeedUp vs Efficiency

SpeedUp (S_p): relative reduction of execution time whn using P processors with respect sequential.

Efficiency (Eff_p): it is a measure of the fraction of time for which processing element is usefull.

Escalability

- Strong: resources x2 -> scalability x2
- Weaak: resources x2 w. proportional work

Amdahl's law

Par_Fraction

$$\varphi = T_{\text{seq_time_of_par_part}} / T_{\text{seq_exec}}$$

$$S_p = \frac{T_1}{T_p} = \frac{T_1}{(1 - \varphi) \times T_1 + (\varphi \times T_1 / P)}$$

$$S_p = \frac{1}{((1 - \varphi) + \varphi / P)}$$

Note: If P approach to infinit, φ/P approach to 0, then $S_p = 1/(1-\varphi)$.

Ex:

```
seq - 25s
par - 50s
seq - 25s
100s
```

$$\varphi = 100/50 = 0,5 \quad \text{SpeedUp}_{\text{par}} = 50/10 = 5$$

$$\text{SpeedUp} = 100/60 = 1.67$$

Sources of overhead

- task creation
- barrier sync
- task sync
- exclusive access to data
- data sharing
- Idleness
- Computation (extra work to obtain a parallel algorithm)
- Memory (extra memory to obtain a parallel algorithm)
- Contention (competition for the access to shared resources)

$$T_p = (1 - \varphi) \times T_1 + \varphi \times T_1/p + \textit{overhead}$$

How to model data sharing overload?

Example:

Jacobi solver

$$T_{\text{calc}} = (N^2/P) \times t_{\text{body}}$$

$$T_p = T_{\text{calc}} + T_{\text{comm}}$$

$$T_{\text{comm}} = 2(t_s + t_w \times N)$$

Data sharing modeling

Example 4

```
void compute(int n, double *u, double *utmp) {
    int i, j;
    double tmp;
    for (i = 1; i < n-1; i++) {
        for (j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {
            tmp = u[n*(i+1) + j] + u[n*(i-1) + j] + // elements u[i+1][j]
and u[i-1][j]
            u[n*i + (j+1)] + u[n*i + (j-1)] - // elements u[i][j+1] and
u[i][j-1]
            4 * u[n*i + j]; // element u[i][j]
            u[n*i + j] = tmp/4; // element u[i][j]
        }
    }
}
```

Each cpu with n^2/P elements. Tasks compute segments of n/c rows by c columns.

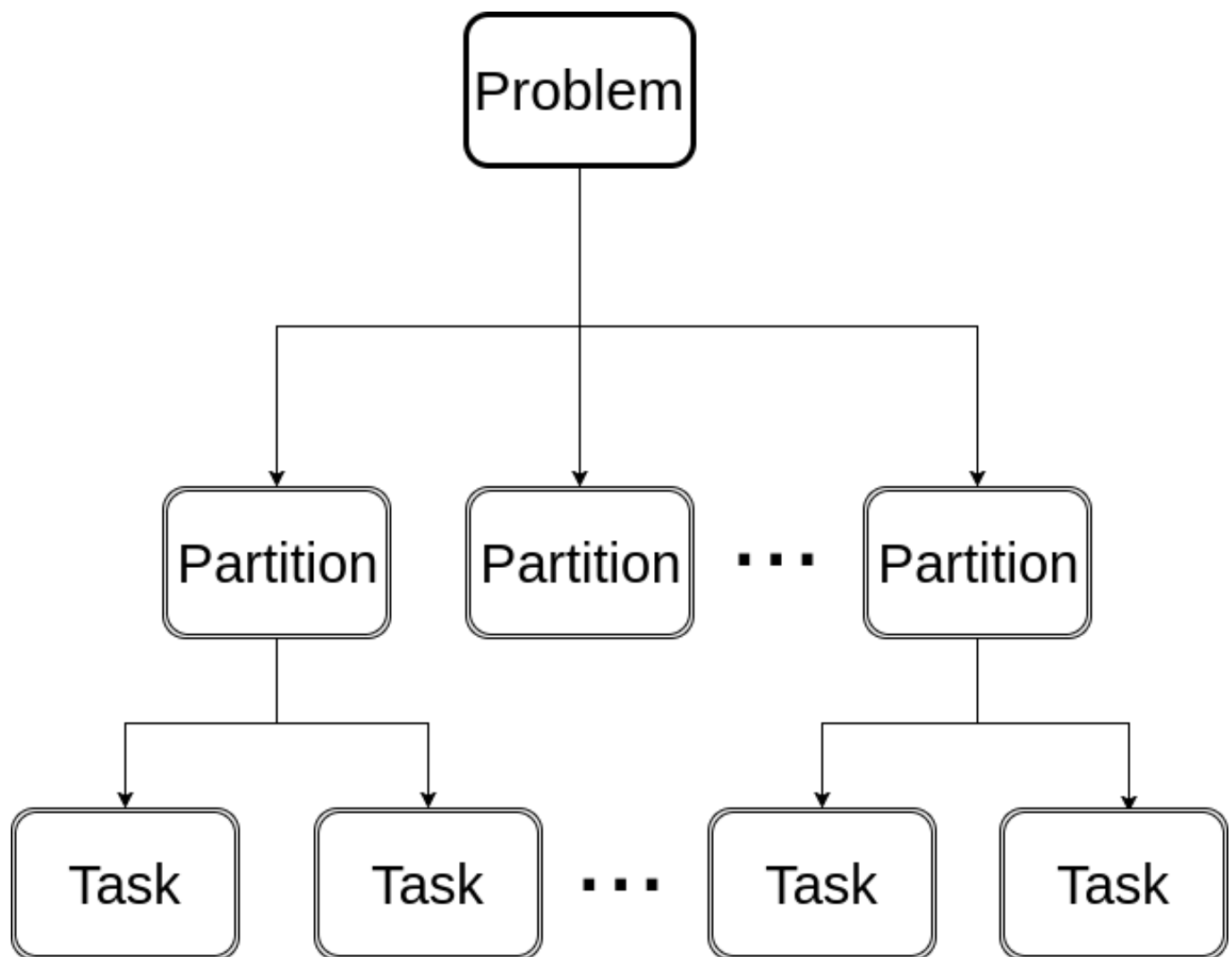
Then, time acquire the following form:

$$T_P = \left(\frac{n}{c} + P - 1\right) \times \left(\frac{n}{P} \times c\right) \times t_{body} +$$

$$(t_s + n \times t_w) + \left(\left(\frac{n}{c} + P - 2\right) \times (t_s + c \times t_w)\right)$$

$$S_P = \frac{T_1}{T_P} = \frac{n^2 \times t_{body}}{T_P}$$

Task decomposition



Types:

- Lineal Task decomposition

Code block or procedure

- Iterative task decomposition

Iterative constructs

- Recursive task decomposition

Recursive procedures

Decomposition Strategies

Leaf strategy

Create one task sequentially for each leaf of task tree.

- Less tasks

- Less overhead

Tree strategy

Creates one task for each invocation.

- More Tasks

- More Overhead

Cut-off control

If tree strategy is in use, when a certain number of tasks are created or the granulation is too small or in a certain number of recursive calls; you can change the strategy to Leaf in order to reduce overhead.

