Vivek L. Kale

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Education

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2007

Doctor of Philosophy, Computer Science: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2015 *Advisor*: William D. Gropp

Honors

- SC 2017 Early Career Program Invitee and Participant
- 2015 Heidelberg Laureate Forum Invitee and Participant.
- Fellow at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory through Lawrence Scholar Program.

Technical Skills

Languages: C, C++, python, Fortran, bash, csh, CUDA

Tools: LaTeX, gnuplot, emacs, autoconf, cmake, svn

Libraries for Parallelism: POSIX threads (Pthreads), MPI (mpich3), OpenMP (gomp, llvm), OpenACC (pgi)

Performance Profiling Tools and Libraries: hpcToolkit, PAPI, nvprof, gprof

Experience

Charmworks, Inc. Software Developer Jun '18 - present

- Integrating a shared memory library for sophisticated loop scheduling strategies, with some strategies being based on strategies I've developed for my dissertation, into the current version of Charm++.
- Comparing performance of a loop scheduling strategy available in the integrated shared memory library with the performance of the corresponding loop scheduling strategy available in LLVM's OpenMP library.
- Providing feedback for tutorials on Charm++ to improve them.

University of Southern California Computer Scientist Dec. '16 - Jun '18

- Working with postdoc from LLNL on a proposal to study techniques that combine loop scheduling and load balancing to improve performance of scientific applications.
- Working with OpenMP Language Committee to support user-defined loop schedules in OpenMP.
- Translating an x-ray tomography code written in Matlab code to C code and then parallelizing it to run on a supercomputer having nodes with GPGPUs.
- Working on modifications to LLVM compiler to support new OpenMP loop schedules.

- Worked on ensuring external network infrastructure to support transfer of application code's input data files were adequate for an application code's efficient execution using the Globus Toolkit.
- Working in team to manage computational performance aspects of running an application program involving Fast Fourier Transformation and image reconstruction algorithms.

Charmworks, Inc. Developer Jan. '16 - Nov. '16

- Implemented mixed static/dynamic loop scheduling strategies within Charm++'s thread scheduling library.
- Helped to improve portability of Charm++ to a variety of platforms.
- Assisted with business aspects of a high-tech startup.

University of Illinois Postdoctoral Associate Jul. '15 – Dec. '15

- Developed library that allows application programmers to use strategies from dissertation.
- Adapted a plasma physics application code to work on a GPGPU processor and Intel Xeon Phi.
- Incorporated over-decomposition and locality-aware scheduling into strategies from dissertation.

Lawrence Livermore Nat'l Lab Lawrence Scholar Feb. '12 – Jun. '14

- Measured MPI communication delays for micro-benchmarks codes run on supercomputers and worked to find tools to measure dequeue overheads of OpenMP loop schedulers.
- Created a software system for automated performance optimization and application programmer usability of low-overhead hybrid scheduling strategies.
- Developed a ROSE-based custom compiler for automatically transforming MPI+OpenMP applications to use low-overhead scheduling techniques and runtime.
- Assessed further opportunities for performance improvement of low-overhead schedulers, including improvement of spatial locality of low-overhead schedulers.

Lawrence Livermore Nat'l Lab Scholar Jun. '11 - Sep. '11

- Experimented with different OpenMP parameters of implemented MPI+OpenMP application code to understand performance optimizations on LLNL supercomputers.
- Developed software design for low-overhead loop scheduling library based on libgomp software design.

Lawrence Berkeley Nat'l Lab Summer Scholar Aug. '10 - Sep. '10

- Analyzed results for the performance tests developed on NERSC machines.
- Compared with collectives in reference to MPI (mpich2) runtime system.

Lawrence Livermore Nat'l Lab Scholar May. '10 - Aug. '10

- Modified libgomp runtime system in order to integrate low-overhead schedulers within it.
- Developed an algorithm multi-stage low-overhead loop scheduler with each stage associated with a level in the memory hierarchy, allowing for MPI-shared memory extensions to be used in conjunction with the low-overhead loop scheduling strategies.

Goldman-Sachs Summer Analyst Jun. '09 – Sep. '09

- Wrote code for testing trading system infrastructure functions under extreme market conditions.
- Analyzed performance bottlenecks of system infrastructure functions.

List of Publications

Papers

- 1. Vivek Kale and William D. Gropp. Composing Low-Overhead Scheduling Strategies for Improving Performance of Scientific Applications. IWOMP 2015. October 2015. Aachen, Germany.
- Simplice Donfack, Vivek Kale, Laura Grigori and William D. Gropp. Hybrid Static/Dynamic Scheduling for Already Optimized Dense Matrix Factorizations. IPDPS 2012. May 2012. Shanghai, China.
- 3. Vivek Kale, Abhinav Bhatele and William D. Gropp. Weighted Locality-sensitive Scheduling for Noise Mitigation on Multicore Clusters. HiPC 2011. December 2011. Bangalore, India.
- 4. Vivek Kale and William D. Gropp. Load Balancing for Regular Meshes on a Cluster of SMPs with MPI. EuroMPI 2010. September 2010. Stuttgart, Germany. (Selected as a Best Paper)
- Torsten Hoefler, James Dinan, Darius Buntinas, Pavan Balaji, Brian Barrett, Ron Brightwell, William Gropp, Vivek Kale and Rajeev Thakur. MPI+MPI: A New Hybrid Approach to Parallel Programming with MPI Plus Shared Memory. EuroMPI 2012. September 2012. Madrid, Spain.
- Amanda Randles, Vivek Kale, Jeff Hammond, William D. Gropp and Efthimios Kaxiras. Performance Analysis of the Lattice Boltzmann Model Beyond Navier-Stokes. IPDPS 2013. May 2013. Boston, USA.
- Vivek Kale. Towards Using and Improving the NAS Parallel Benchmarks: A Parallel Patterns Approach. ParaPLoP 2010. April 2010. Carefree, USA.
- 8. Vivek Kale and Edgar Solomonik. *Parallel Sorting Pattern*. ParaPLoP 2010. April 2010. Carefree, USA.
- 9. Vivek Kale. The Correlation between Parallel Patterns and the NAS Parallel Benchmarks. ICSE 2010. May 2010. Johannesberg, South Africa.

Extended Abstracts

- 1. Vivek Kale and Martin Kong. Enhancing Support in OpenMP to Improve Data Locality in Application Programs Using Task Scheduling. OpenMPCon 2018. September 2018. Barcelona, Spain.
- 2. Vivek Kale and William D. Gropp. *A User-defined Schedule for OpenMP*. Extended Abstract. OpenMPCon 2017. September 2017. New York, USA.
- Vivek Kale. A Pattern Language for Dynamic Scheduling. ParaPLoP 2011. May 2011. Carefree, USA.

Posters

- 1. Vivek Kale, Harshitha Menon and Karthik Senthil. Adaptive Loop Scheduling with Charm++ to Improve Performance of Scientific Applications. SC 2017. November 2017. Denver, USA. (Selected as a Candidate for Best Poster)
- 2. Vivek Kale, Simplice Donfack, Laura Grigori and William D. Gropp. Balancing the Tradeoff Between Load Balancing and Locality to Improve Performance of Scientific Applications. SC 2014. November 2014. New Orleans, USA.
- 3. Vivek Kale, Amanda Randles and William D. Gropp. *Locality-Optimized Mixed Static/Dynamic Scheduling for Load Balancing on SMPs*. EuroMPI/ASIA 2014. September 2014. Kyoto, Japan.

Membership of Organizations

- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics
- Association for Computing Machinery
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- Association for Computing Machinery's SIGHPC

Teaching Experience

- 1. Teaching Assistant for Programming Studio (CS 242) at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign for Spring 2009.
- 2. Teaching Assistant for Programming Studio (CS 242) at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign for Fall 2009.
- 3. Teaching Assistant for Programming Studio (CS 242) at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign for Spring 2010.

Services

- Reviewer for 2017 Elsevier Parallel Computing Journal
- Member of Organization Committee for SC 2018's Early Career Program
- Member of Selection Committee for SC 2018's Experiencing HPC for Undergraduates Program