

Parallel Computing

Max. Marks: 60

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Duration 3.00 Hrs.

Note: 1. Attempt any and only ten questions, all carry equal marks.
2. Draw neat diagrams, if needed.

- Q.1** Explain the Butterfly Network of processor? How do you decompose this network? Explain with one example.
- Q.2** What is the *Race Condition*? Explain in context to shared memory programming.
- Q.3** Explain the role of *diameter* and *bisection-width* that is used to understand effectiveness in implementing efficient parallel algorithms on cube connected multiprocessor system?
- Q.4** Consider the following program segment of an Open_MP program and comment on the execution.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int i = 0, j = 0;
    int result = 0;
    #pragma omp parallel for private(i) reduction(+:result)
    for (i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
        for (j = i + 1; j < 4; j++) {
            printf("Hello.\n");
            #pragma omp critical
            result = result + 1;
        }
    }
    printf("Number of times printed Hello = %d\n", result);
}
```

- Q.5** If $n = 2^m$ numbers stored in an array A of dimension (2n-1) from A[n], A[n+1],..., A[2n-1]. Write a PRAM algorithm to compute prefix product such that at the end A[i] stores A[1]*A[2]*....*A[i].
- Q.6** What are the qualifiers used to explicitly qualify variables in a parallel loop of an OpenMp program. Explain working of any two.

Q.7 What are the alternatives for programming shared memory multiprocessors. Which one is better and why?

Q.8 With a proper diagram explain the *cluster system architecture*.

Q.9 Explain the working behavior of the following program segment and write your comments. Assume that there is no syntax error in the program segment.

```
int a[10], b[10], npes, myrank;
MPI_status status;
...
MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &npes);
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &myrank);
MPI_Send(a, 10, MPI_INT, (myrank+1)%npes, 1, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
MPI_Recv(b, 10, MPI_INT, (myrank-1+npes)%npes, 1, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
...
```

Q.10 Devise a parallel algorithm for multiplying two $n \times n$ matrices. What is the parallel time and processors complexity?

Q.11 How do you compute the integration of a given function using mean value theorem? Propose a multithreaded program for your algorithm.

Q.12 Explain the *P-RAM* model of computation. Which realistic machine uses this model of computation? Why does it reduce the complexity of a sequential algorithm?

Q.13 Define:

- i. Efficient parallel algorithm
- ii. Optimal parallel algorithm
- iii. Brent's theorem
- iv. Amdahl's law

-----*Best of Luck*-----