Introduction to Parallel Computing (CMSC498X / CMSC818X)



Lecture 23: Parallel CSE Applications

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Announcements

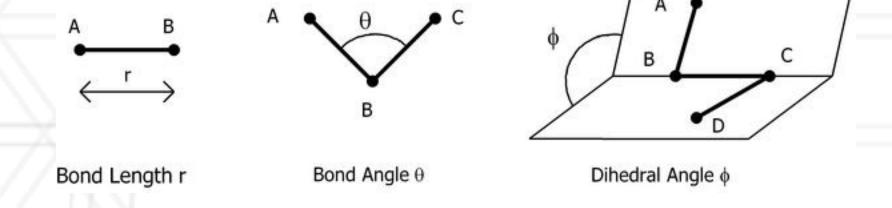
- Due date for Assignment 4 extended to Nov 24 midnight AoE
- E-mail Abhinav and Shoken with your preferences for the project presentation slot by Nov 25:
 - Provide three options in decreasing order of preference: Dec 3, 8, 10
- Final project and report due on Dec 14

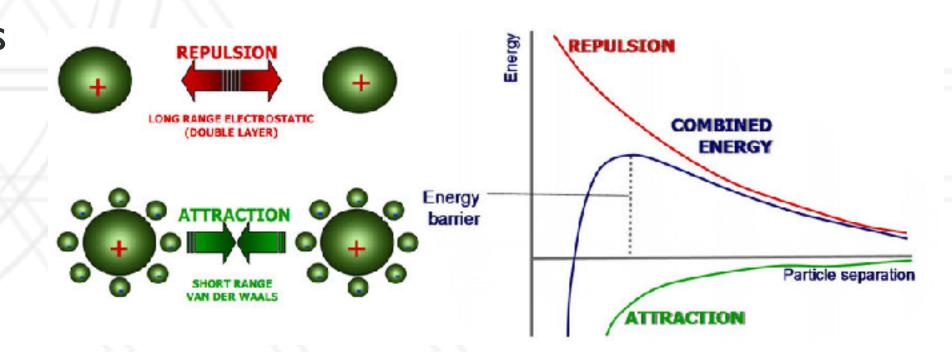




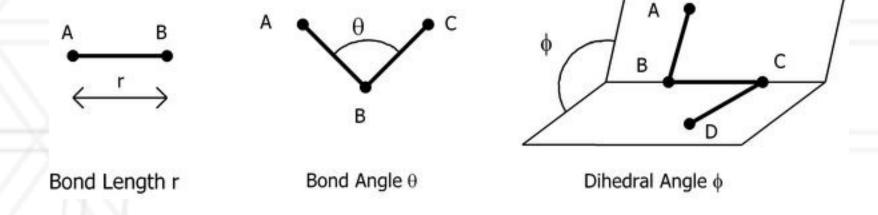
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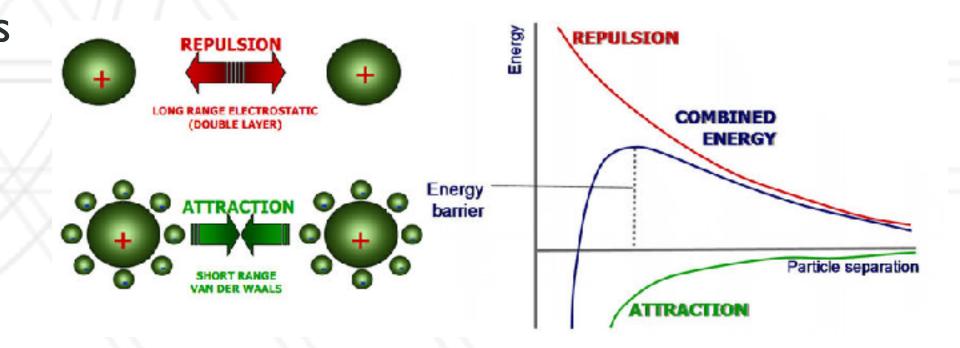
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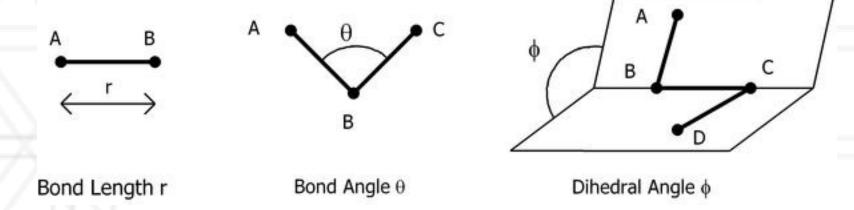


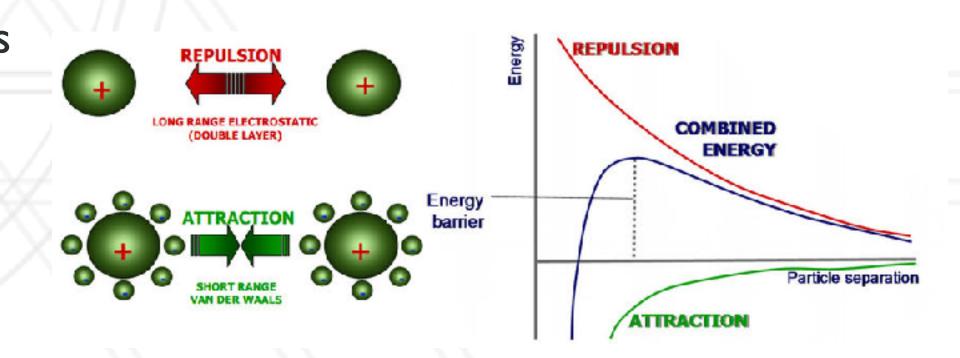
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- Simulation step: ~I femtosecond (10-15 s)





Sequential Algorithm

- At every step, calculate forces on each atom
 - Calculate bonded and short-range forces every step
 - Calculate long-range non-bonded forces every few time steps (using PME or P3M etc.)
- Particle mesh Ewald (PME) summation:
 - Calculate long-range interactions in Fourier space
- Calculate velocities and new positions
- Repeat ...





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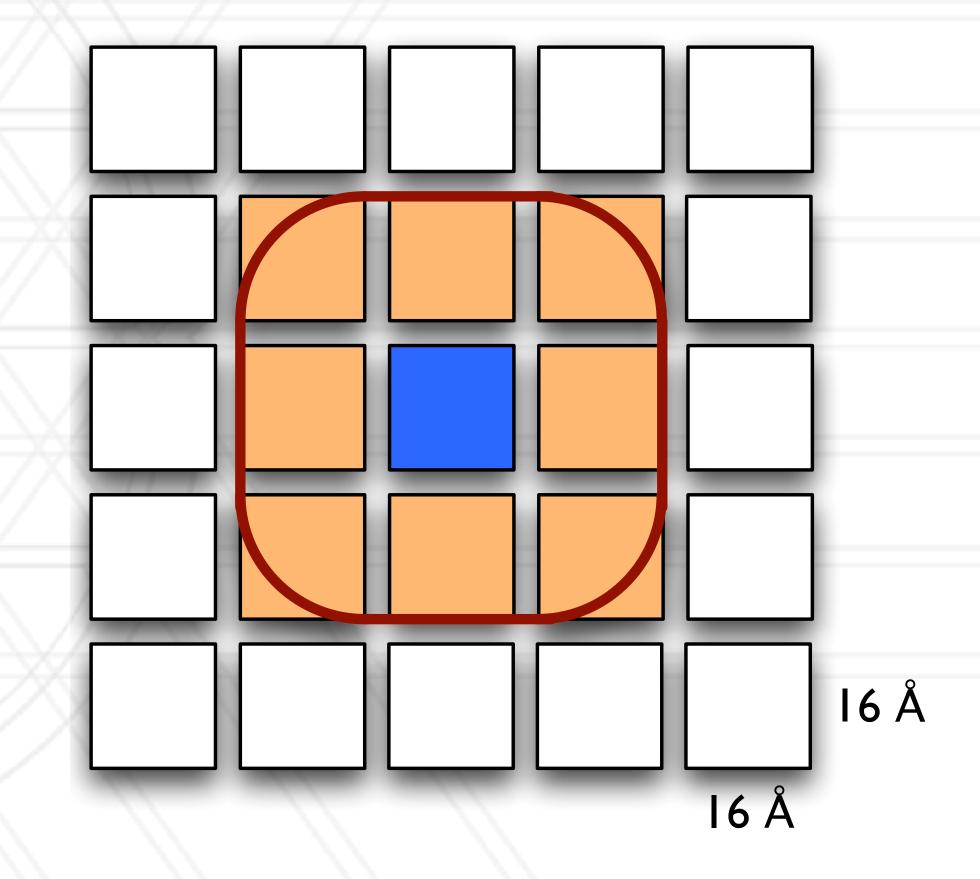


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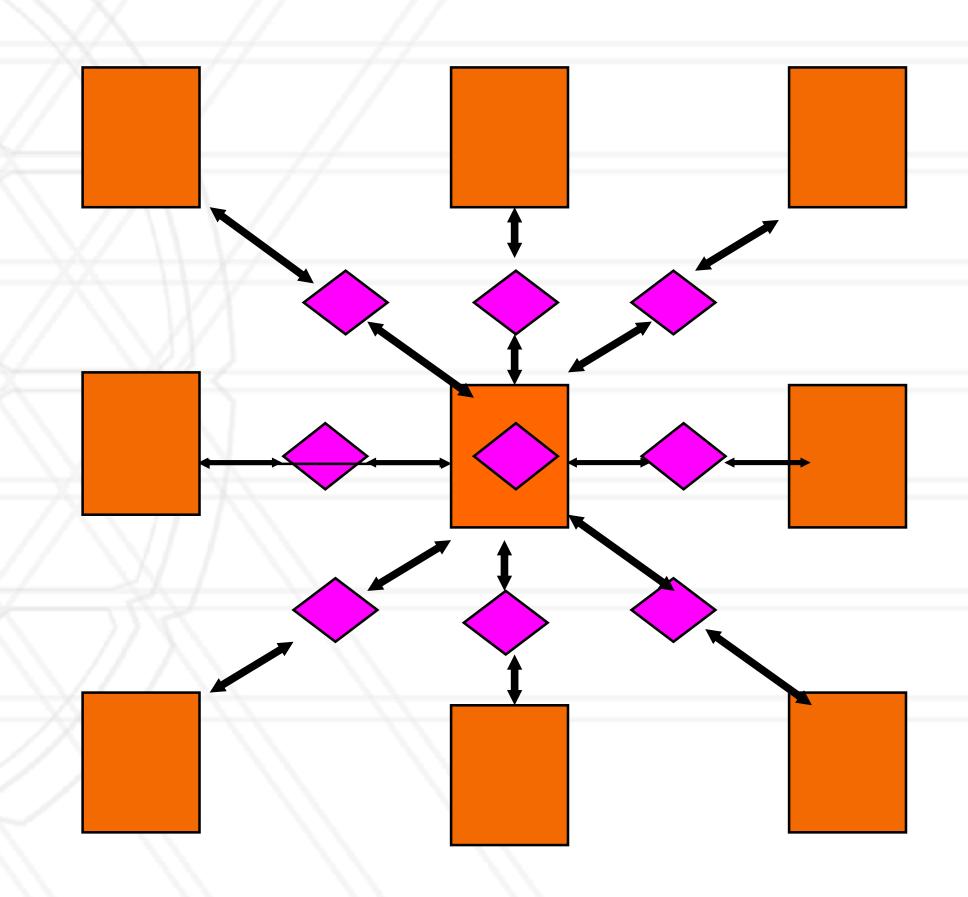
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- Spatial decomposition:
 - Assign a region of the 3D simulation space to each process





Hybrid parallelization

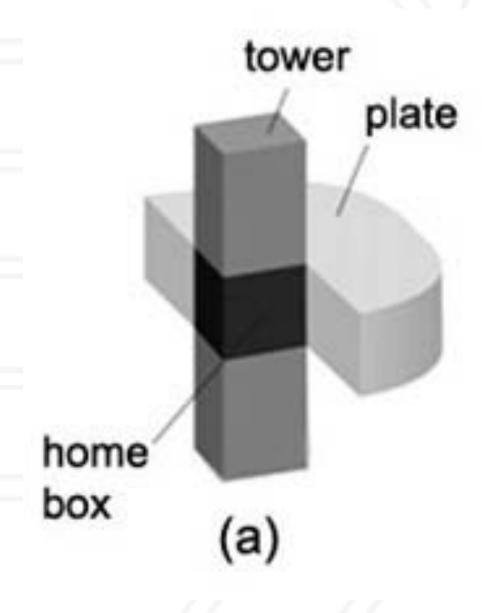
- Hybrid of spatial and force decomposition
- Decouple assignment of data and work to processes
- Distribute both atoms and the force calculations to different processes

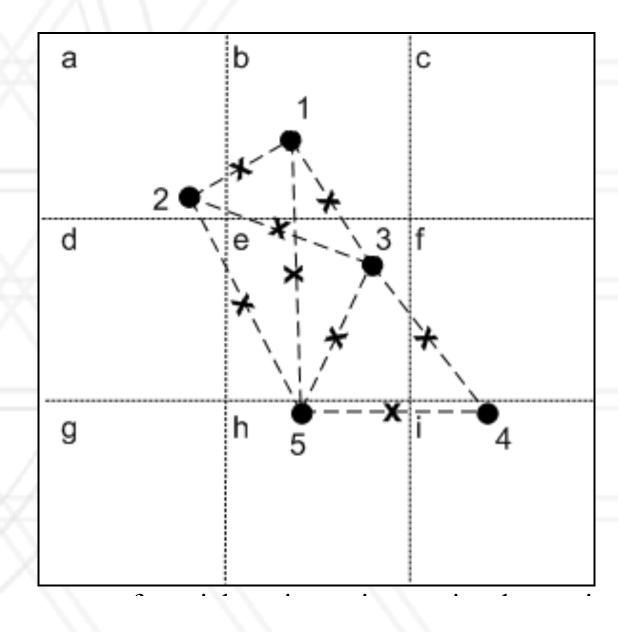




Neutral territory (NT) methods

Desmond's mid-point method





Particle mesh Ewald

- Replace direct force calculations by:
 - Calculate short-range forces in real space
 - Calculate long-range forces in Fourier space
- Create a 3D mesh/grid representing charge densities of atoms
 - Compute a 3D Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)
- FFT computes the discrete Fourier transform (DFT) or inverse DFT
 - Reduces to reduce the complexity from $O(N^2)$ to $O(N \log N)$



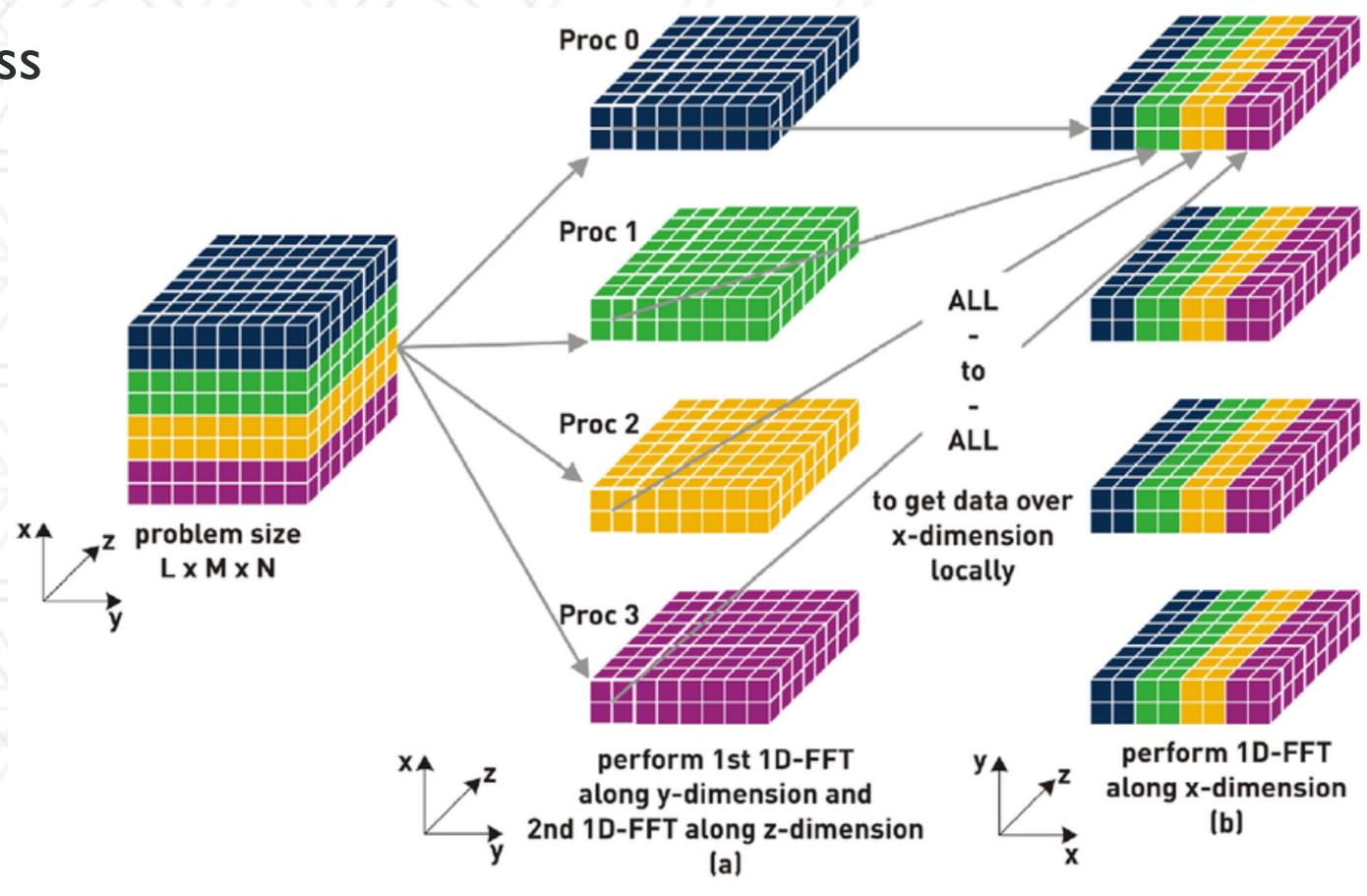


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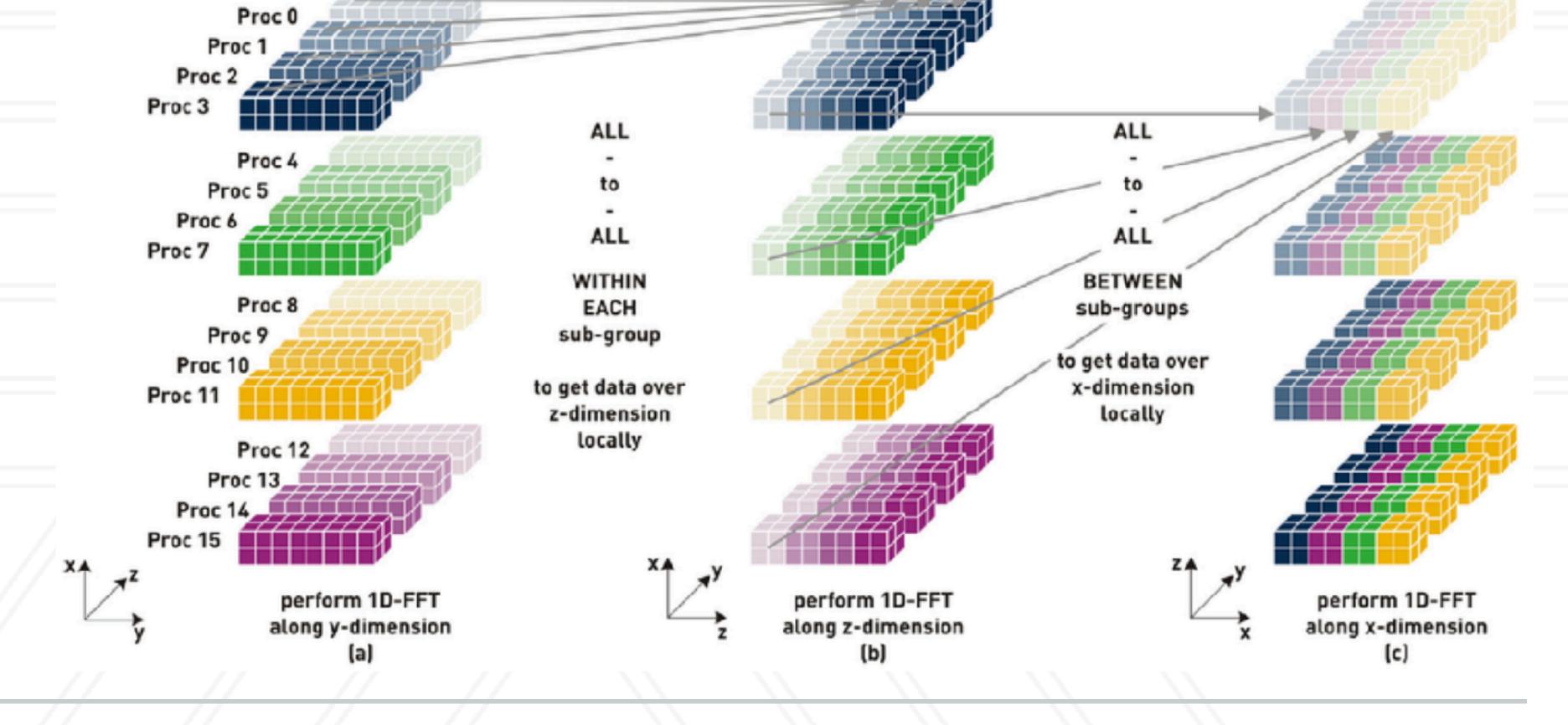
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ID or slab decomposition





• 2D or pencil decomposition







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