

"How to have a bad research career"

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Why study parallel algorithms and d.s.?

- Moore's law ending "Dennard scaling"



- parallelism & concurrency fundamental ideas for how to do work (e.g. producing a complex object)
- superset of serial algorithms; understand new aspects of a problem by studying in parallel.

- Amount of data to analyze not slowing down.
 - genomics data
 - video/image data

(i) Multicore machines exist!

- P cores, $\frac{P \times \text{faster}}{\text{factor } P \text{ speedup}}$

$$\frac{t_1}{t_p} \quad \left(\frac{t^*}{t_p} \right) \leftarrow \text{best } \leq \text{ seq. running time}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} O(n^2) \text{ operations} & O(n \log n) \text{ operations} \\ (\text{work}) & \end{array}$$

- Early apps were large-scale simulation

1961 IBM Stretch:

{ 1 MB memory

1972 Illiac IV: 4 CPUs 256 FPU's
512k memory 1 CPU 64 FPU's

→ SIMD (single-instruction, multiple-data)

1973

Eisbach: matrix eigenvalues

→ Lapack (Jack Dongarra)

1976

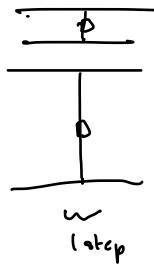
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- vector processing capabilities

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1972 : MSF algorithm (Börnke)

1968 : Batcher Sort / Bitonic Sort



$O(n \log^2 n)$ operations

$O(\log^2 n)$ delay (\Rightarrow steps)
rounds

1975 : Variants: Max, Merging and Sorting

• $O(\log \log n)$ rounds $\underbrace{O(\log \log n)}_{n \text{ processors}}$ rounds

$\Omega(1 \log n)$

1978 : PRAM (Wylie)

1979 : Circuit models (P -completeness, NC)

1980s: Golden age.

90-95: other model (Asynch PRAM)

(BSP - Valiant)

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predecessor of mapReduce

1995 Work / depth or Work / span model.

} Parallelism Winter

2010

} Resurgence - Lot of interesting work.

Present

RAM: Random Access Machine;

- how does an algorithm behave when data grows?

$O(n^2)$ time vs $O(n \log n)$ time.

- +, ×, ÷ unit time $\rightarrow O(1)$

- load/store unit time

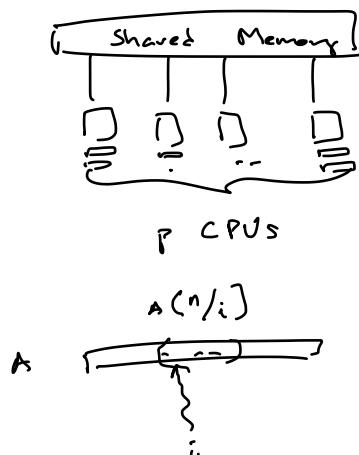
- load: compare algorithms asymptotically

- $O(\log n)$ bit words
[Main Memory]



Parallel Models

PRAM | Parallel Random Access Machine



- synchronous
- works in lockstep
- not particularly realistic
- fixed # processors
- schedule tasks → processors?

Cost : $\frac{T}{P}$ - Running Time (per processor)
- Processors

$$\text{total \# instructions} = PT = \text{Work}$$

Sorting in $O\left(\underbrace{\frac{n \log n}{P}} + \underbrace{\log^2 n}\right)$ time

PRAM models: ER : can't read same location at the same time

EW : " write "

LR

CW

EREW , CREW , CRCW



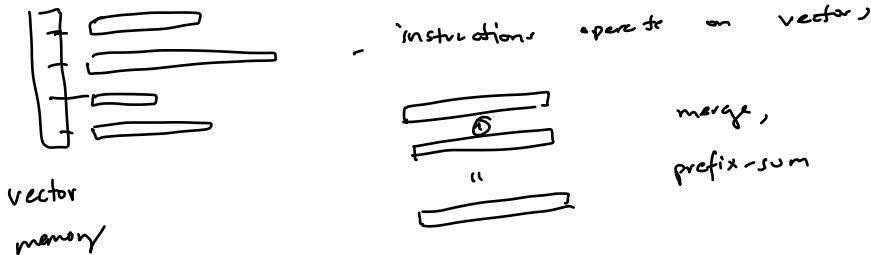
Common

Arb

Priority

Vector Models

Connection Machine
Guy Blelloch's thesis



$$\text{Cost: Work (element)} = \sum_{\text{complexity}}^{} \text{length}(v_i)$$

Step complexity = # steps executed by the program

Eg sorting in $O(\log^2 n)$ steps
 $O(n \log n)$ work

"Connection Machine" Book

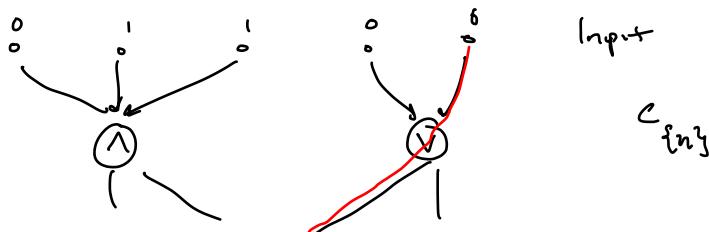
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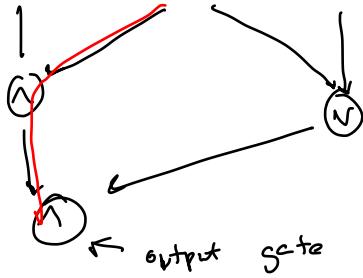
Circuit Model

1979 (Pippenger)

- view parallel comp. as a circuit (DAG)

\wedge (and) and \vee (or) gates



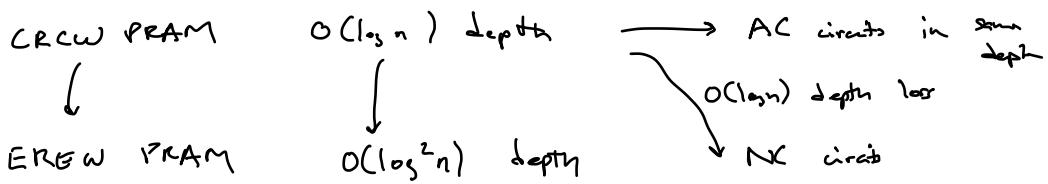


Cost :

- size = # gates
- depth

Sorting : (AKS network)

$O(n \log n)$ size, $O(\log n)$ depth



NC^k : circuits with polynomial size $O(\log^k n)$ depth

$$NC = \bigcup_k NC^k$$