

# COL 380

Introduction to Parallel and Distributed Programming  
3 credits (2-0-2)

Pre-Req: COL106, COL351, COL331

Significant overlap with COL730

# Possible Topics

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Parallel performance analysis, Scalability, Throughput, Latency

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COL 216, 331

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COL 331

Parallel graph algorithms, Parallel Algorithm techniques: Searching, Sorting, Prefix operations, Pointer Jumping, Divide-and-Conquer, Partitioning, Pipelining, Accelerated Cascading, Symmetry Breaking

COL 106, 351

# Rough Academic Calendar

Week 1 Jan 1 - Jan 7

Week 2 Jan 8 - Jan 14

Week 3 Jan 15 - Jan 21

Week 4 Jan 22 - Jan 28

Week 5 Jan 29 - Feb 4

Week 6 Feb 5 - Feb 11

Week 7 Feb 12 - Feb 18

Mid-term exam

Week 8 Feb 26 - Mar 3

Week 9 Mar 4 - Mar 10

Week 10 Mar 11 - Mar 19

Week 11 Mar 20 - Mar 22, Apr 2-3

Mid-term break

Week 12 Apr 4 - Apr 10

Week 13 Apr 11 - Apr 17

Week 14 Apr 18 - Apr 24

Major exam

# Tentative Schedule

Parallel performance analysis, Scalability, Throughput, Latency	1 week
Parallel computer organization, Memory and Data Organizations, Inter-process communication and synchronization, Shared memory architecture, Interconnection network and routing, Distributed memory architecture, Distributed shared memory, Parallel IO, Load distribution and scheduling	9 weeks  Parallel architectures (cache coherence, false sharing, hardware primitives for locks)  Programming frameworks (pthread, OpenMP, GPU-CUDA, MPI, mapreduce)
High level Parallel programming models and framework, Memory consistency, Synchronization (Locked/Lock-free)	1 week
Parallel graph algorithms, Parallel Algorithm techniques: Searching, Sorting, Prefix operations, Pointer Jumping, Divide-and-Conquer,	3 weeks



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introduction,  
performance, parallel  
hardware architecture,  
CPU parallelism (pthread,  
openMP), GPU  
parallelism (CUDA)

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distributed systems  
programming (MPI,  
mapreduce), modeling

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parallel algorithm  
design and analysis

Major exam

# Evaluation Plan

- 3 programming assignments
  - pthread + openMP 10%
  - CUDA 20%
  - MPI, mapreduce 20%
- Midterm (20%), Major (30%)

Audit criteria 30% in exams and 30% in assignments

**Attendance is not mandatory, doesn't mean not coming to class is mandatory.**