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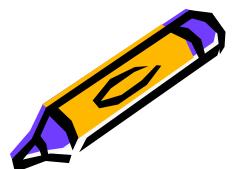
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# Advanced Computer Architecture

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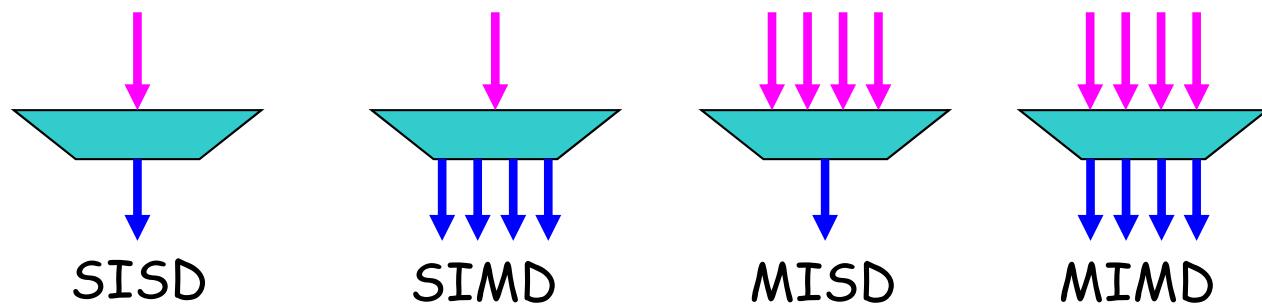
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Instruction stream

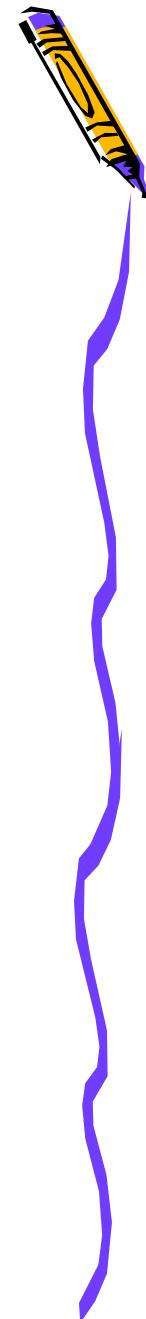


Data stream



# SIMD Variants

- Vector architectures
- SIMD extensions
- Graphics Processing Units (GPUs)
- SIMD variants exploit data-level parallelism
- **Instruction-level parallelism** in superscalar processors
- **Thread-level parallelism** in multicore processors



# Vector architecture

- Computers designed by Seymour Cray starting in the 1970s
- Basic idea:
  - Read sets of data elements into “vector registers”
  - Operate on those registers
  - Disperse the results back into memory



Cray Supercomputer



# DAXPY in MIPS Instructions

Example: DAXPY (double precision  $a \times X + Y$ )

Loop:

L.D	F0,a	; load scalar a
DADDIU	R4,Rx,#512	; upper bound of what to load
L.D	F2,0(Rx )	; load $X[i]$
MUL.D	F2,F2,F0	; $a \times X[i]$
L.D	F4,0(Ry)	; load $Y[i]$
ADD.D	F4,F2,F2	; $a \times X[i] + Y[i]$
S.D	F4,9(Ry)	; store into $Y[i]$
DADDIU	Rx,Rx,#8	; increment index to X
DADDIU	Ry,Ry,#8	; increment index to Y
SUBBU	R20,R4,Rx	; compute bound
BNEZ	R20,Loop	; check if done

- Requires almost 600 MIPS operations



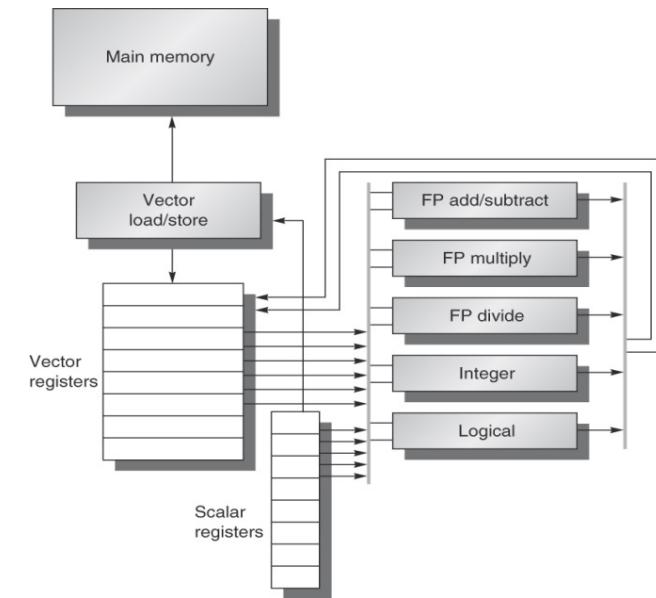
# DAXPY in VMIPS (MIPS with Vector) Instructions



- ADDV.D : add two vectors
- ADDVS.D : add vector to a scalar
- LV/SV : vector load and vector store from address
- Example: DAXPY (double precision  $a^*X+Y$ )

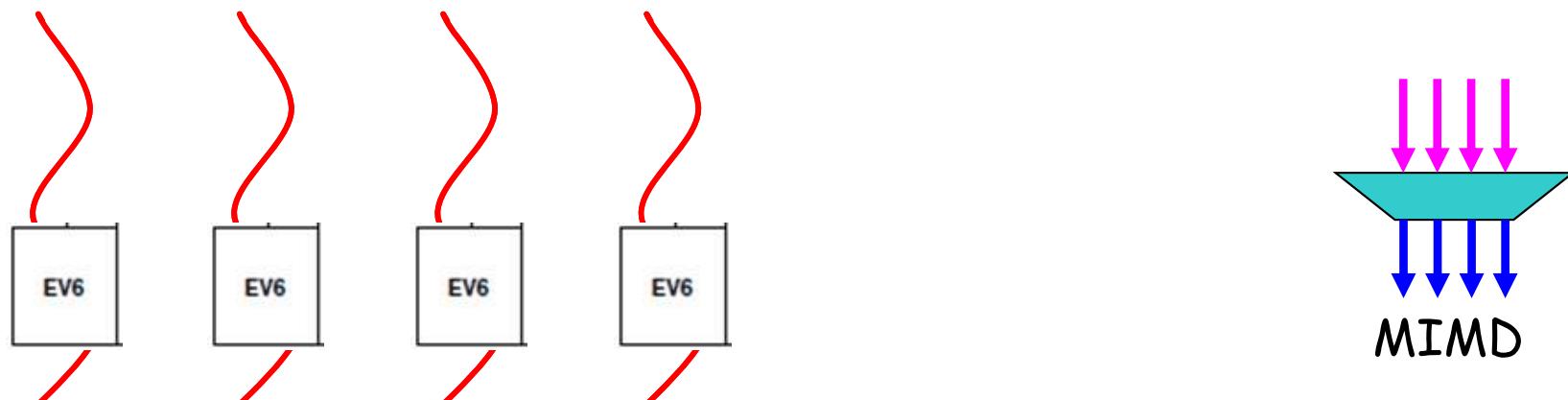
L.D	F0,a	; load scalar a
LV	V1,Rx	; load vector X
MULVS.D	V2,V1,F0	; vector-scalar multiply
LV	V3,Ry	; load vector Y
ADDV.D	V4,V2,V3	; add
SV	Ry,V4	; store the result

- Requires 6 instructions



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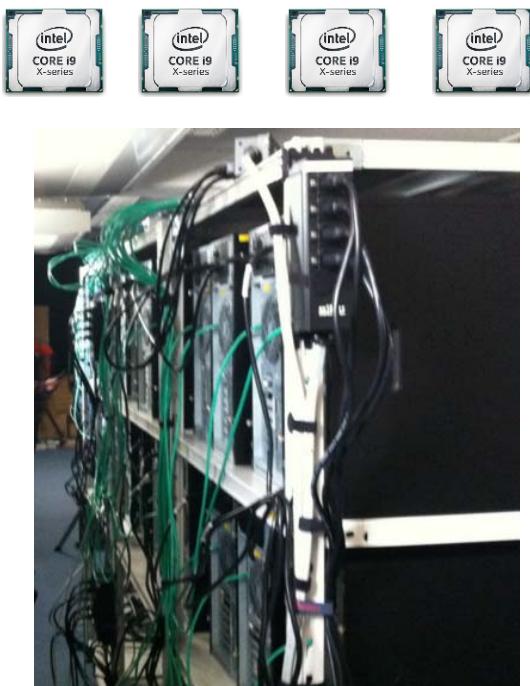
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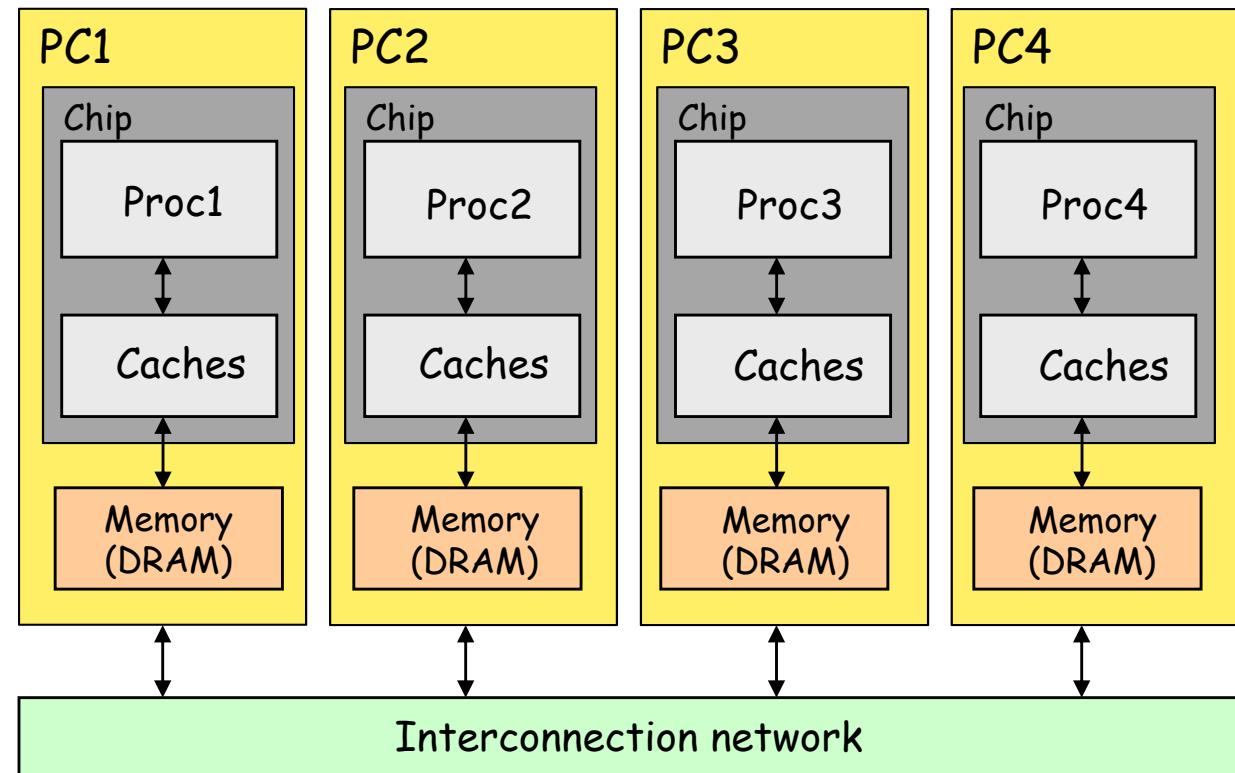
# Distributed Memory Multi-Processor Architecture



- A PC cluster or parallel computers for higher performance
- Each memory module is associated with a processor
- Using explicit send and receive functions (message passing) to obtain the data required.
  - Who will send and receive data?

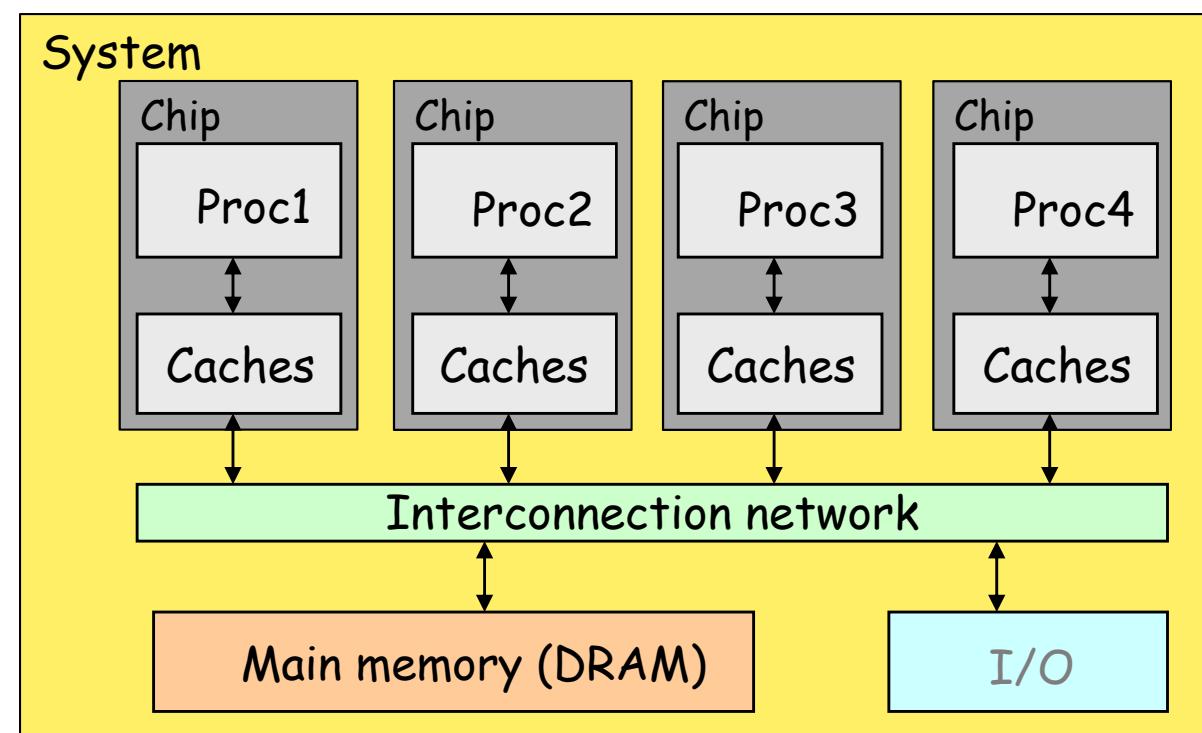
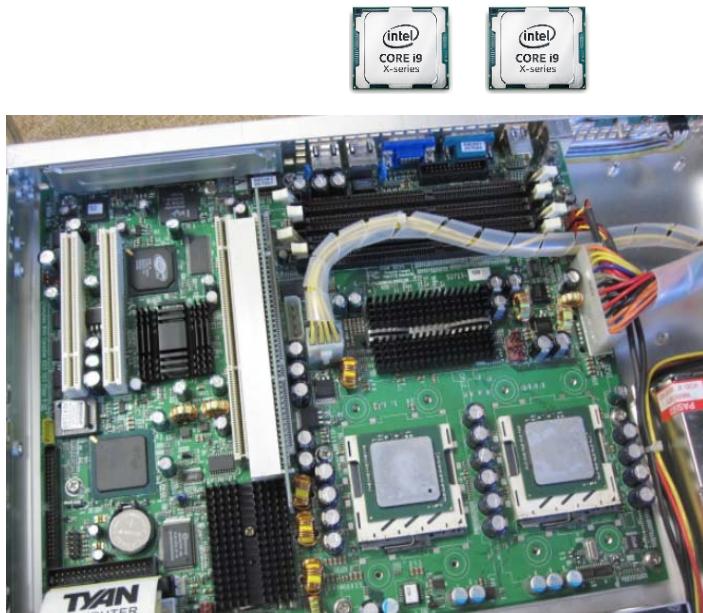


PC cluster



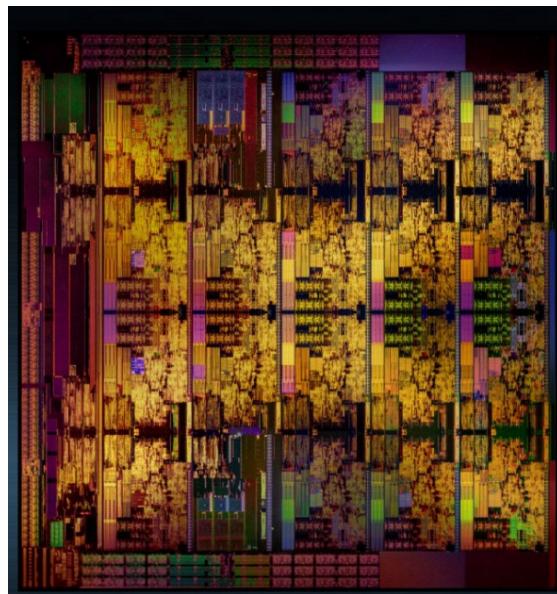
# Shared Memory Multi-Processor Architecture

- All the processors can access the same address space of the main memory (shared memory) through an interconnection network.
- The shared memory or **shared address space (SAS)** is used as a means for communication between the processors.
  - What are the means to obtain the shared data?
  - What are the advantages and disadvantages of shared memory?

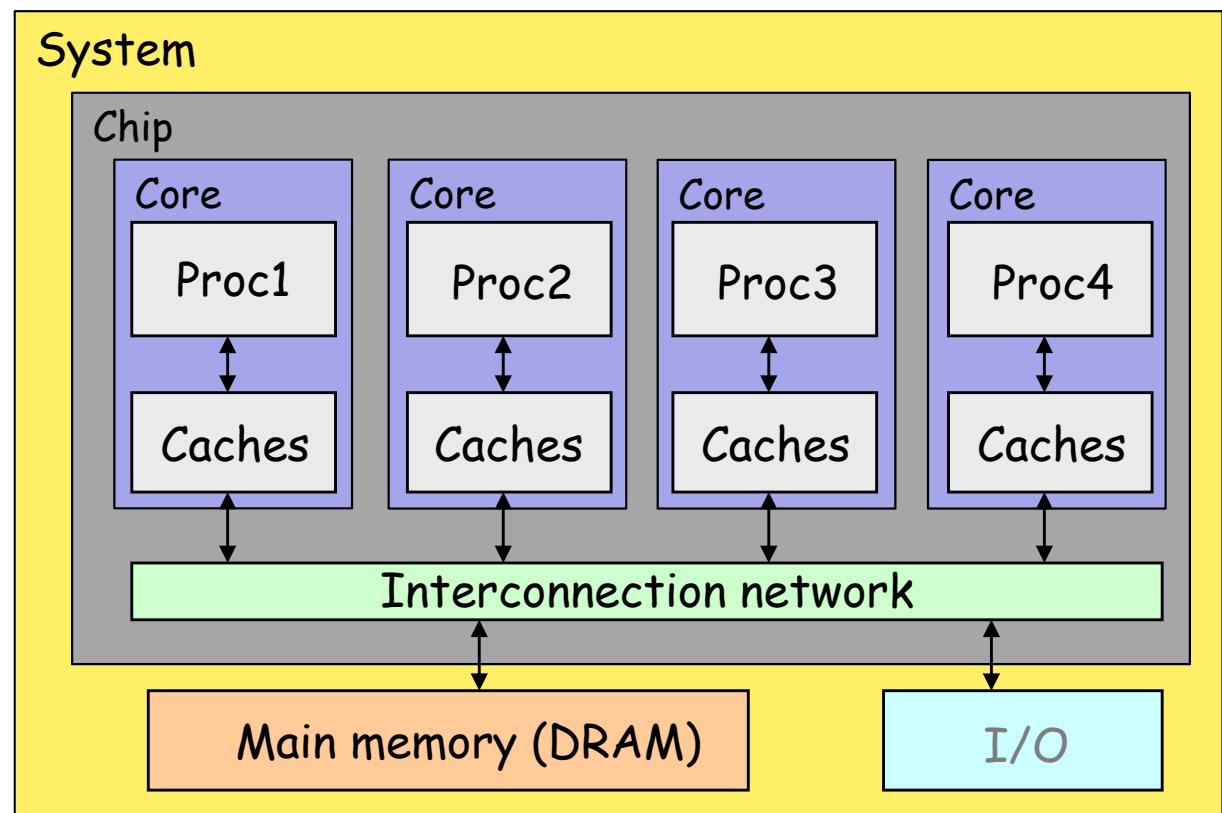


# Shared memory many-core architecture

- Single chip integrates many cores (conventional processors) and an interconnection network.



Intel Skylake-X, Core i9-7980XE, 2017



# The free lunch is over

- Programmers have to worry much about performance and concurrency
- Parallel programming

## Free Lunch

Programmers haven't really had to worry much about performance or concurrency because of Moore's Law

Why we did not see 4GHz processors in Market?

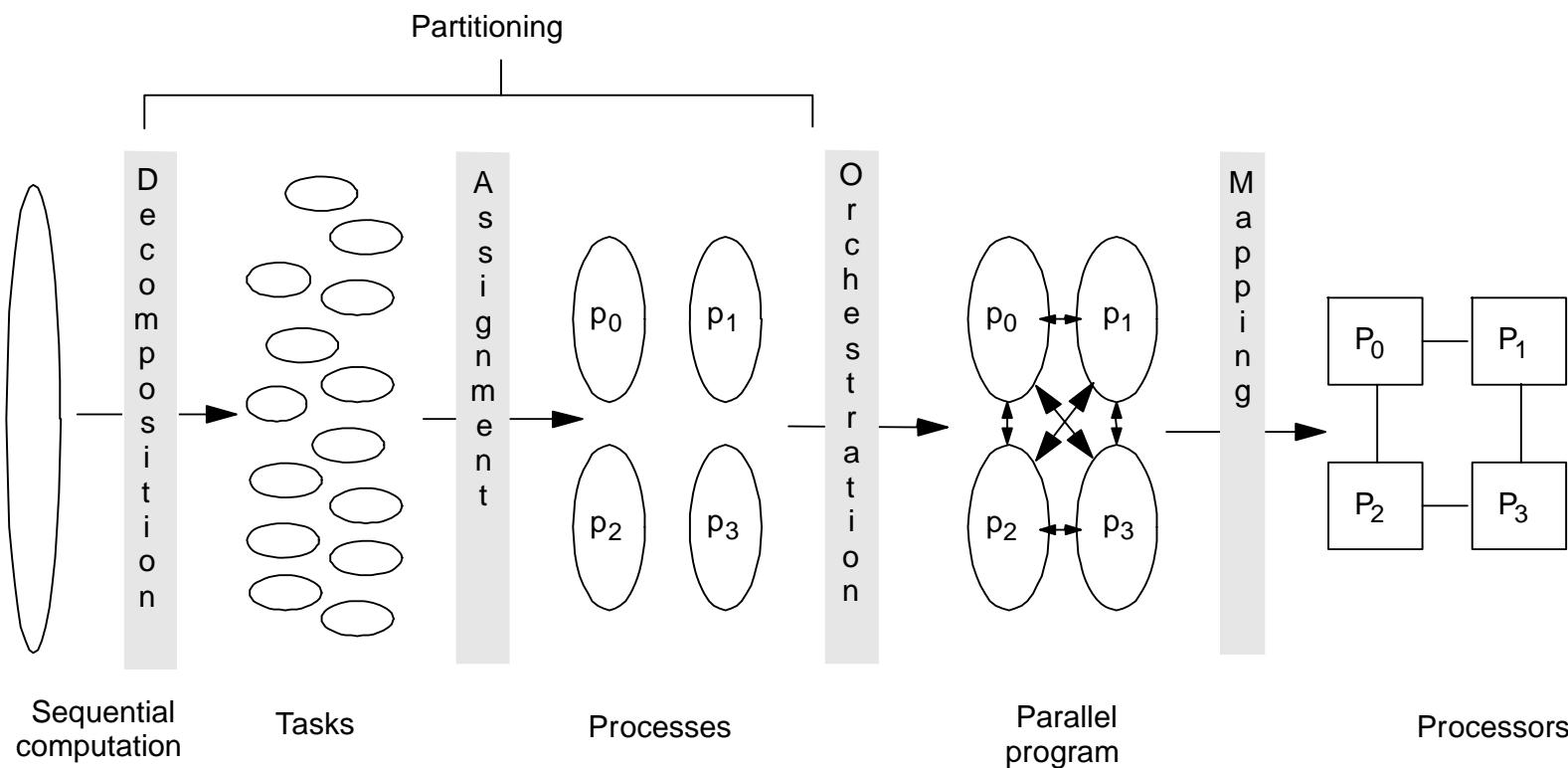
The traditional approach to application performance was to simply wait for the next generation of processor; most software developers did not need to invest in performance tuning, and enjoyed a "free lunch" from hardware improvements.

*The Free Lunch Is Over: A Fundamental Turn Toward Concurrency in Software* by Herb Sutter, 2005



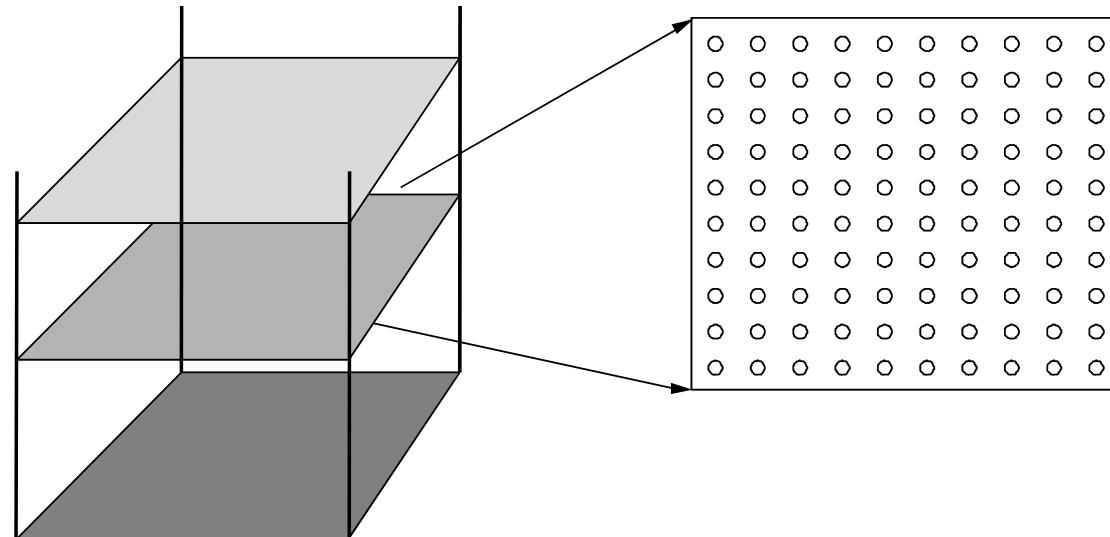
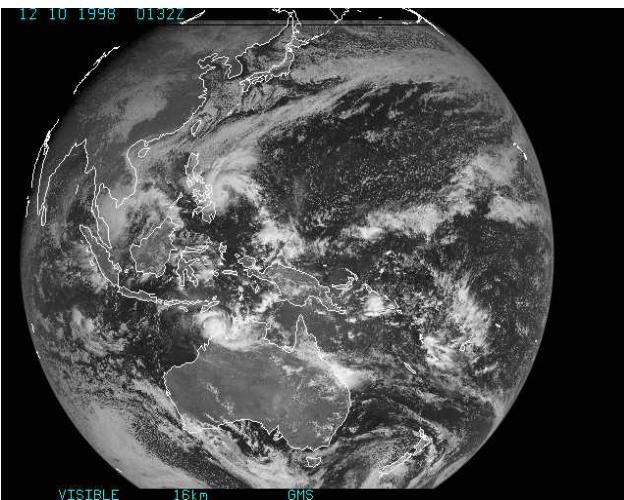
# Four steps in creating a parallel program

1. **Decomposition** of computation in tasks
2. **Assignment** of tasks to processes
3. **Orchestration** of data access, comm, synch.
4. **Mapping** processes to processors



Adapted from *Parallel Computer Architecture*, David E. Culler

# Simulating ocean currents



(a) Cross sections

(b) Spatial discretization of a cross section

- Model as two-dimensional grids
  - Discretize in space and time
  - finer spatial and temporal resolution enables greater accuracy
- Many different computations per time step
  - Concurrency across and within grid computations
- We use one-dimensional grids for simplicity



# Sequential version as the baseline

- A sequential program main01.c and the execution result
- Computations in blue color are fully parallel

```
#define N 8      /* the number of grids */
#define TOL 15.0 /* tolerance parameter */
float A[N+2], B[N+2];

void solve () {
    int i, done = 0;
    while (!done) {
        float diff = 0;
        for (i=1; i<=N; i++) {
            B[i] = 0.333 * (A[i-1] + A[i] + A[i+1]);
            diff = diff + fabsf(B[i] - A[i]);
        }
        if (diff < TOL) done = 1;
        for (i=1; i<=N; i++) A[i] = B[i];

        for (i=0; i<=N+1; i++) printf("%6.2f ", B[i]);
        printf(" | diff=%6.2f\n", diff); /* for debug */
    }
}

int main() {
    int i;
    for (i=1; i<N-1; i++) A[i] = 100+i*i;
    solve();
}
```

0.00	68.26	104.56	109.56	116.55	125.54	86.91	45.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	diff=129.32
0.00	57.55	94.03	110.11	117.10	109.56	85.83	44.02	15.08	0.00	0.00	diff= 55.76
0.00	50.48	87.15	106.97	112.14	104.06	79.72	48.26	19.68	0.00	0.00	diff= 42.50
0.00	45.83	81.45	101.99	107.62	98.54	77.27	49.17	22.63	0.00	0.00	diff= 31.68
0.00	42.38	76.35	96.92	102.61	94.38	74.92	49.64	23.91	0.00	0.00	diff= 26.88
0.00	39.54	71.81	91.87	97.87	90.55	72.91	49.44	24.49	0.00	0.00	diff= 23.80
0.00	37.08	67.67	87.10	93.34	87.02	70.89	48.90	24.62	0.00	0.00	diff= 22.12
0.00	34.88	63.89	82.62	89.06	83.67	68.87	48.09	24.48	0.00	0.00	diff= 21.06
0.00	32.89	60.40	78.44	85.03	80.45	66.81	47.10	24.17	0.00	0.00	diff= 20.26
0.00	31.07	57.19	74.55	81.23	77.35	64.72	45.98	23.73	0.00	0.00	diff= 19.47
0.00	29.39	54.21	70.92	77.63	74.36	62.62	44.77	23.21	0.00	0.00	diff= 18.70
0.00	27.84	51.46	67.52	74.23	71.47	60.52	43.49	22.64	0.00	0.00	diff= 17.95
0.00	26.41	48.89	64.34	71.00	68.67	58.43	42.17	22.02	0.00	0.00	diff= 17.23
0.00	25.07	46.50	61.35	67.94	65.97	56.37	40.84	21.38	0.00	0.00	diff= 16.53
0.00	23.83	44.26	58.54	65.02	63.36	54.34	39.49	20.72	0.00	0.00	diff= 15.85
0.00	22.68	42.17	55.88	62.24	60.85	52.34	38.14	20.05	0.00	0.00	diff= 15.20
0.00	21.59	40.20	53.38	59.60	58.42	50.39	36.81	19.38	0.00	0.00	diff= 14.58



# Decomposition and assignment

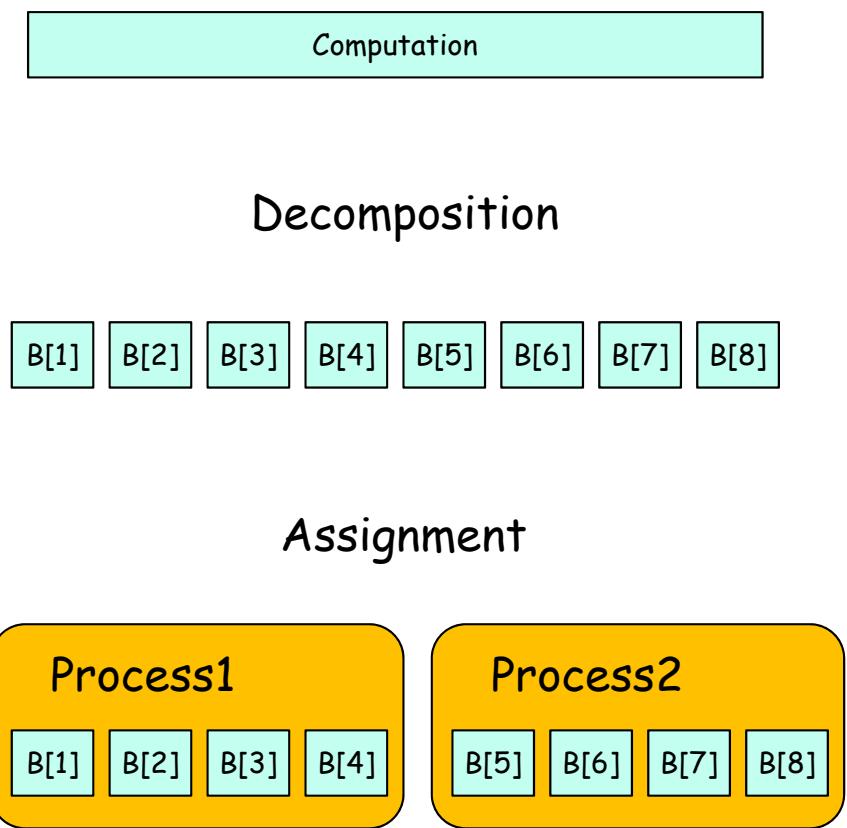
- Single Program Multiple Data (SPMD)
  - Decomposition: there are eight tasks to compute  $B[i]$
  - Assignment: the first four tasks for process1, the last four for process2

```
float A[N+2], B[N+2]; /* these are in shared memory */
float diff=0;           /* variable in shared memory */

void solve_pp (int pid, int ncores) {
    int i, done = 0;           /* private variables */
    int mymin = 1 + (pid * N/ncores); /* private variable */
    int mymax = mymin + N/ncores - 1; /* private variable */
    while (!done) {
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        for (i=mymin; i<=mymax; i++) {
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            mydiff = mydiff + fabsf(B[i] - A[i]);
        }
        diff = diff + mydiff;

        if (diff < TOL) done = 1;
        if (pid==1) diff = 0;
        for (i=mymin; i<=mymax; i++) A[i] = B[i];
    }
}

int main() { /* solve this using two cores */
    initialize shared data A and B;
    create thread1 and call solve_pp(1, 2);
    create thread2 and call solve_pp(2, 2);
}
```



# Orchestration

- **LOCK** and **UNLOCK** around **critical section**
  - Set of operations we want to execute **atomically**
- **BARRIER** ensures all reach here

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        }
        LOCK();
        diff = diff + mydiff;
        UNLOCK();

        BARRIER();
        if (diff <TOL) done = 1;
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        if (pid==1) diff = 0;
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        BARRIER();
    }
}
```

These operations must be executed atomically

- (1) load **diff**
- (2) add
- (3) store **diff**

After all cores update the diff, if statement must be executed.

```
if (diff <TOL) done = 1;
```

# Key components of many-core processors



- **Main memory and caches**
  - Caches are used to reduce latency and to lower network traffic
  - A parallel program has private data and shared data
  - New issues are **cache coherence** and **memory consistency**
- **Interconnection network**
  - connecting many modules on a chip achieving high throughput and low latency
- **Core**
  - High-performance superscalar processor providing a hardware mechanism to support thread synchronization

