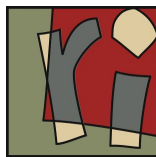


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Problems:

- 1. 1D partitioning*
 - 2. Hierarchical topologies*
 - 3. Graph partitioning*
- Concluding remarks*

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What is data locality and why is it important?

“Data locality is indicative of how close data is to where it needs to be processed, shorter distance imply better data locality.”

[Unat, 2017]

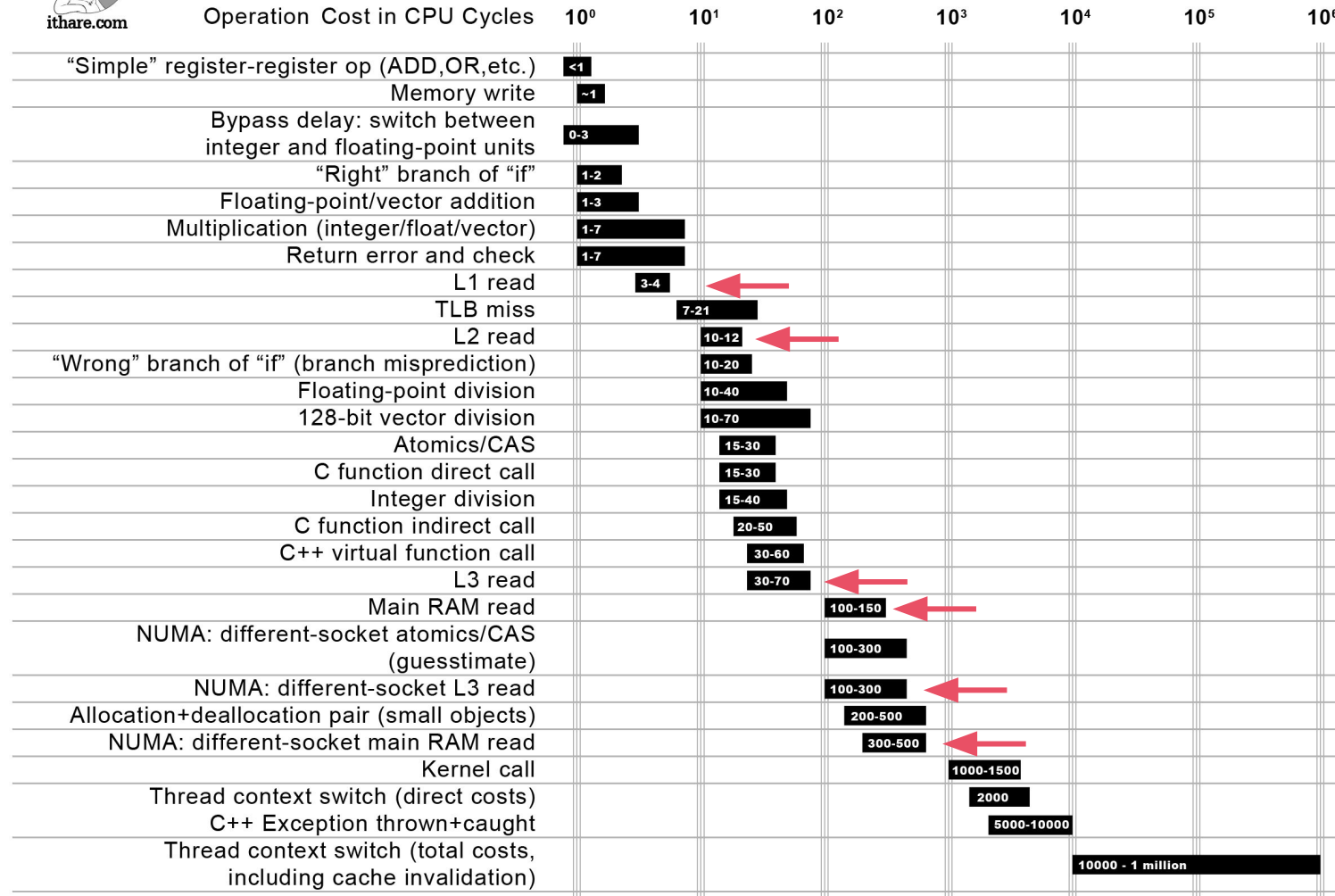
Better data locality can lead to

- **Faster execution (less time spent accessing/communicating data)**
- **Lower energy consumption**
- **Less congestion to shared resources**
- **Smaller interference**
- **Smaller costs (\$ of data transfers on the Cloud)**

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Not all CPU operations are created equal

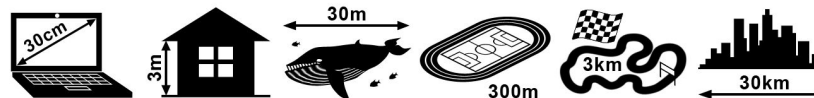


Example: time to access data in a computer.
Image from [ITHare]

Differences of orders of magnitude

Add to that network times, storage times

Distance which light travels while the operation is performed



· Data Locality

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Other concepts. Image from [Unat, 2017]

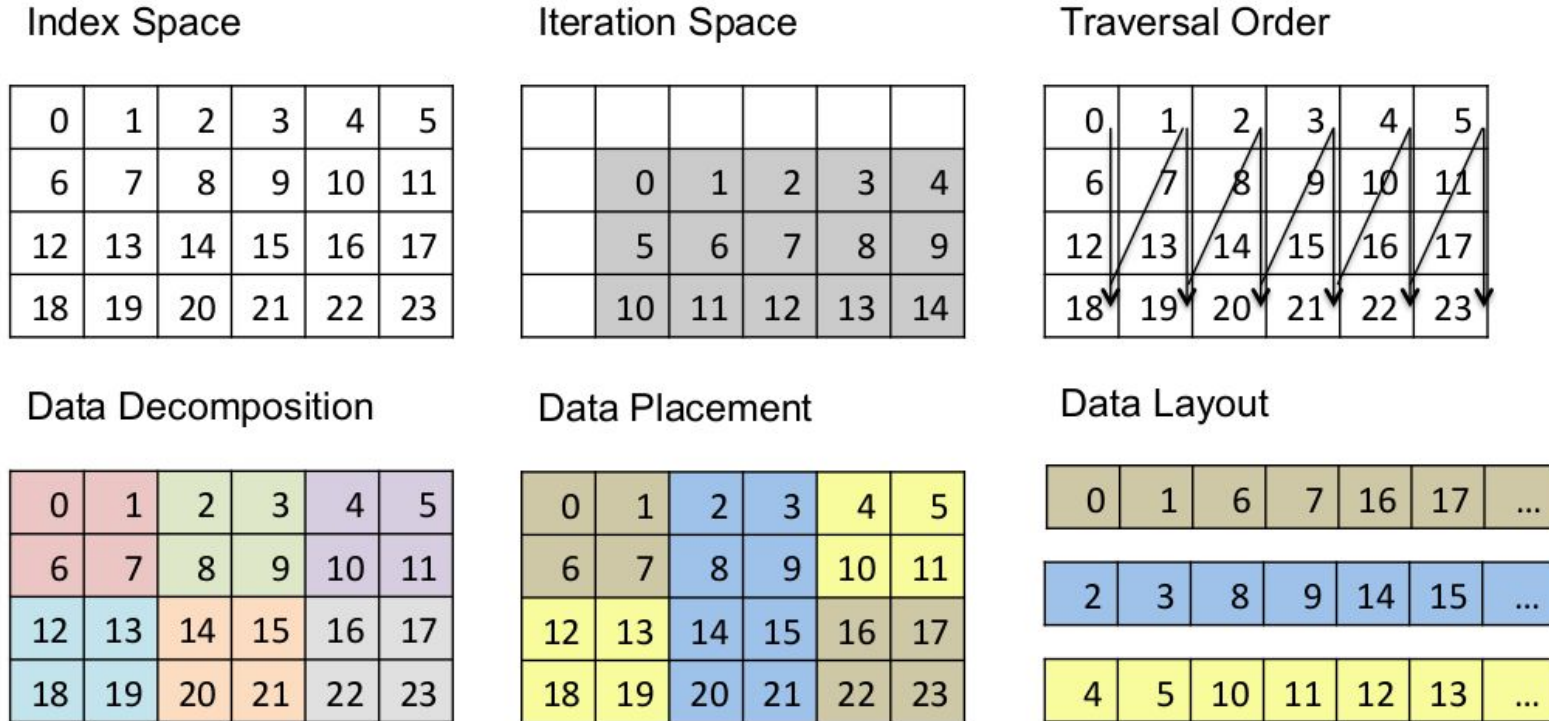


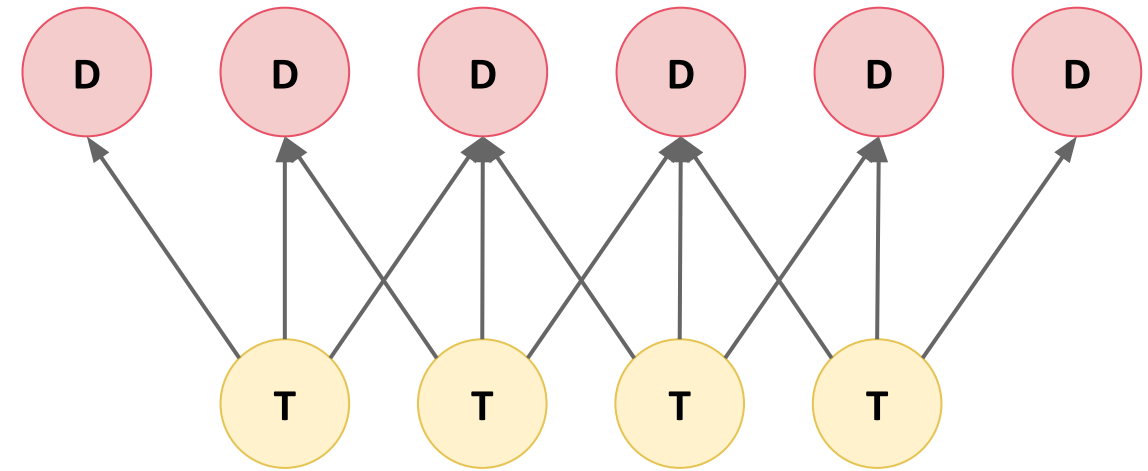
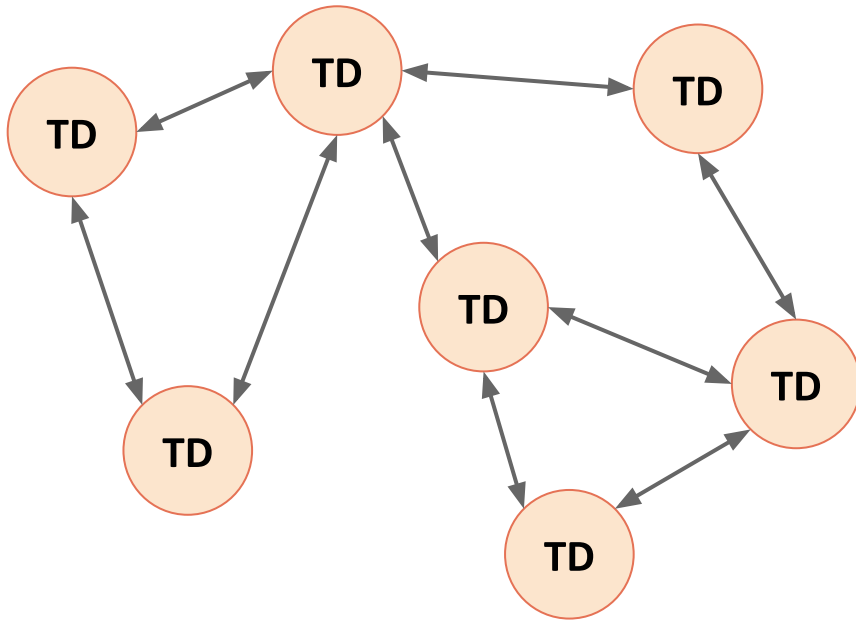
Fig. 1. illustration of concepts that are important for data locality for a dense two dimensional array. Example iteration space, traversal order, decomposition, data placement and data layout are shown.

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Representation: Application graphs

Vertices: **tasks+data**, or **tasks** and **data**

Edges: affinity (#accesses, #messages, #bytes, ...)



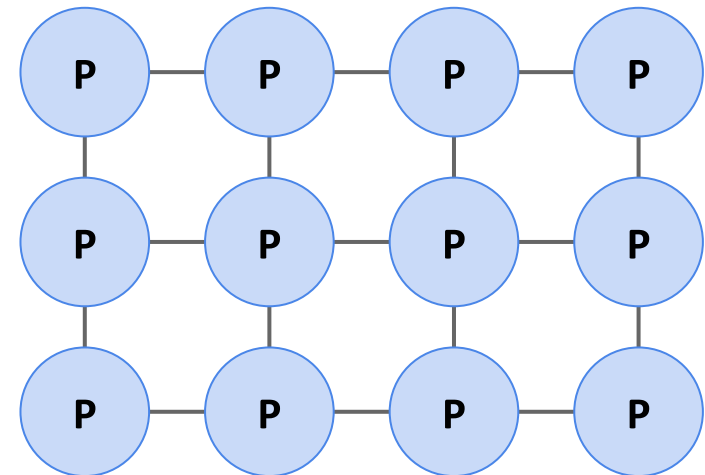
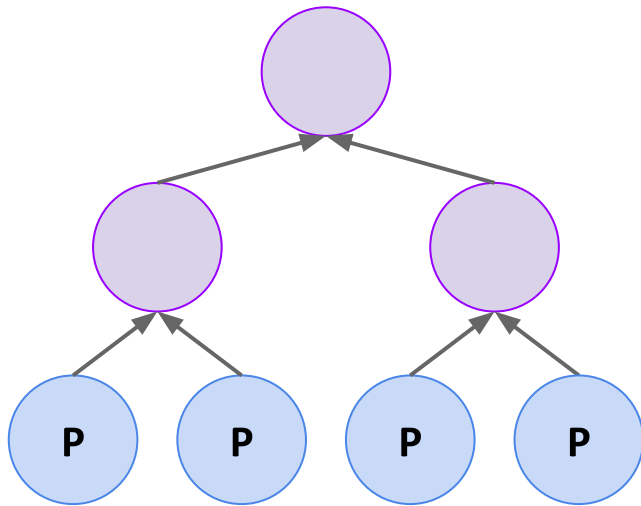
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Representation: Machine topology graphs

Vertices: **processing elements** (cores, machines), **memory elements** (memory, storage), **routers**, ...

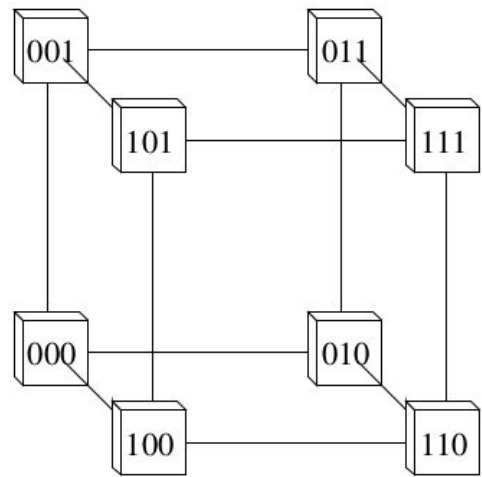
Edges: interconnection (network, bus, ...)

Hops: number of edges between two vertices

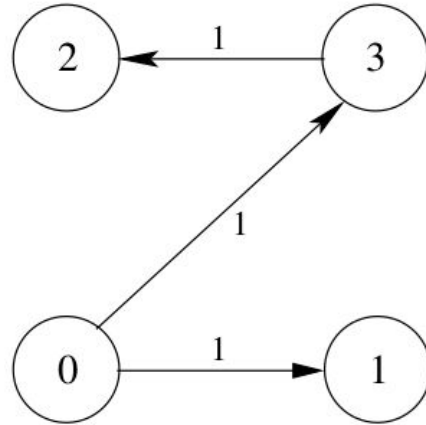


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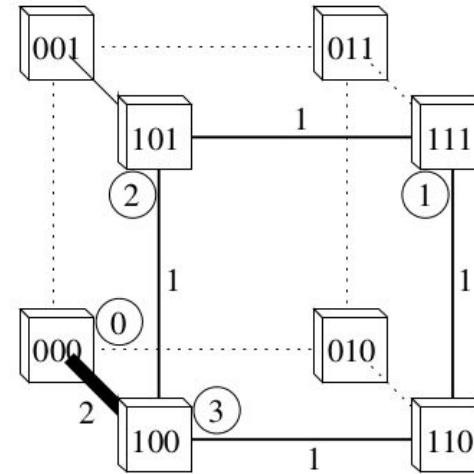
Example of mapping an application graph to a machine topology graph. Image from [Hoefler 2011].



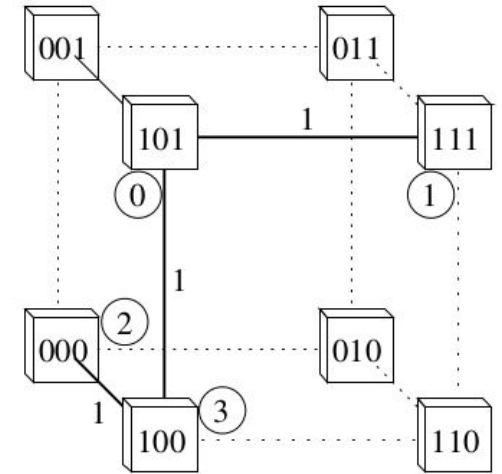
(a) Network Topology $\mathcal{H}$.



(b) Process Topology $\mathcal{G}$.



(c) Mapping Γ_1 .



(d) Mapping Γ_2 .

Figure 1: A simple example for topology-aware mappings.

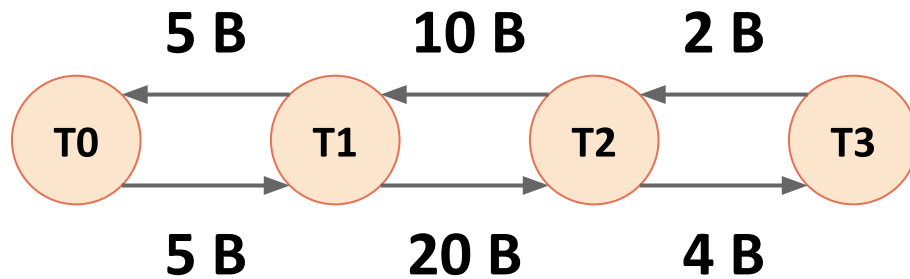
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Metrics used to evaluate and compare schedules (mappings)

- **Total application execution time**
- **Data access time**
 - % of time spent accessing data, communicating
- **% of local data access**
 - Local vs remote memory access on NUMA machines
 - Intra vs inter-node messages
- **Dilation (hop-Byte)**
 - [Sum of the] product of the number of hops messages traverse by the number of bytes they contain
- **[Maximum] Congestion**
 - Number of communicating pairs that use a certain interconnection link

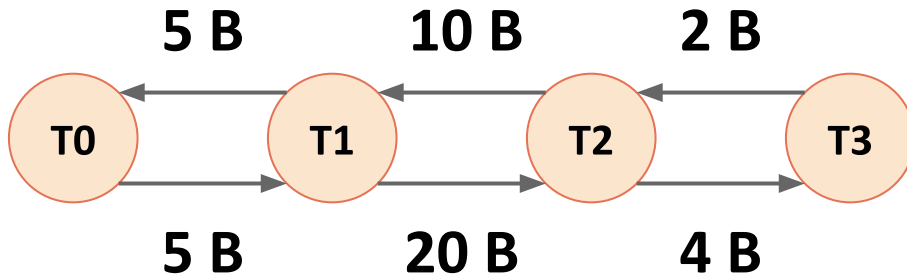
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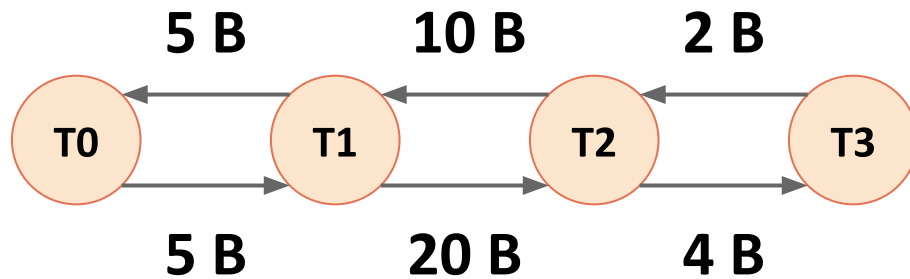
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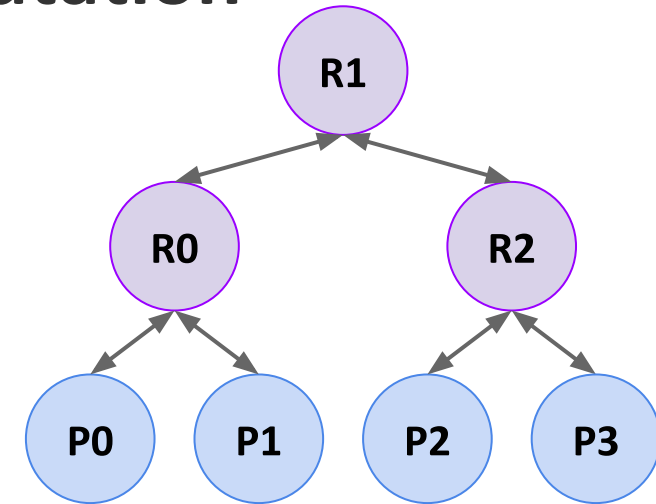
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T1	5	0	20	0
T2	0	10	0	4
T3	0	0	2	0

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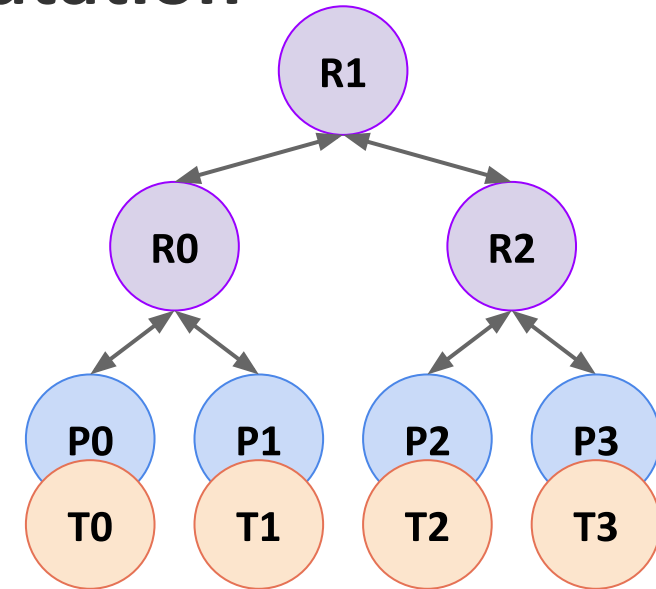
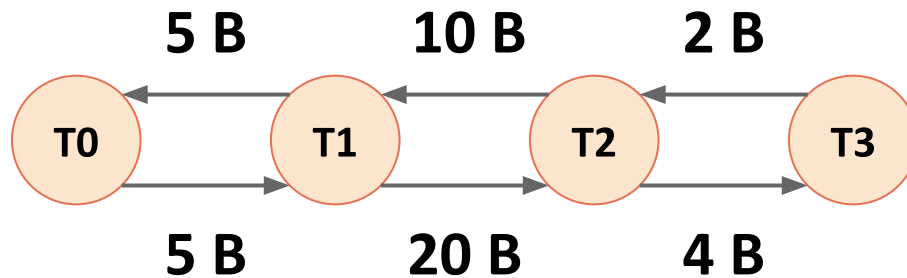
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#hops	P0	P1	P2	P3
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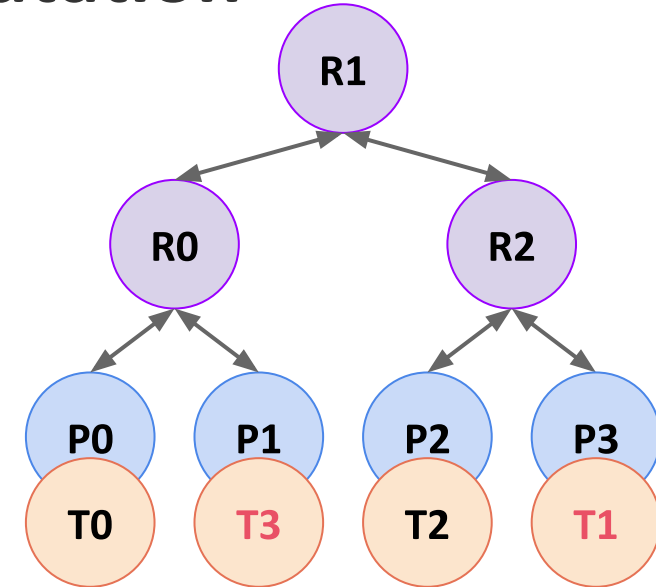
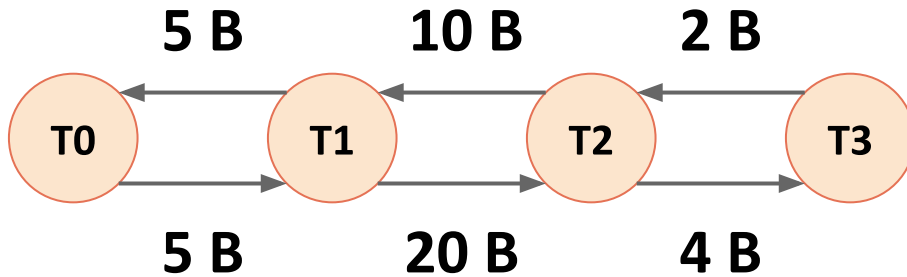


Round-robin mapping: $T0 \rightarrow P0$, $T1 \rightarrow P1$, $T2 \rightarrow P2$, $T3 \rightarrow P3$

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Better mapping: $T0 \rightarrow P0$, $T1 \rightarrow P3$, $T2 \rightarrow P2$, $T3 \rightarrow P1$

Dilation = $(5+5)*4 + (10+20)*2 + (2+4)*4 = 40+60+24 = 124$

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Load balancing problem with implicit locality constraints.

Applications

- **Sparse Matrix-Vector Multiplication**
- **Loop scheduling**
- **Division of keys between reduce tasks in Map-Reduce**
- **Load balancing 2D applications**

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A	4	5	3	1	3	1	2	3	6

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Q: How to transform a ND problem into a 1D problem?

A: Space-filling curves (SFCs). Image from [Korndörfer 2020]

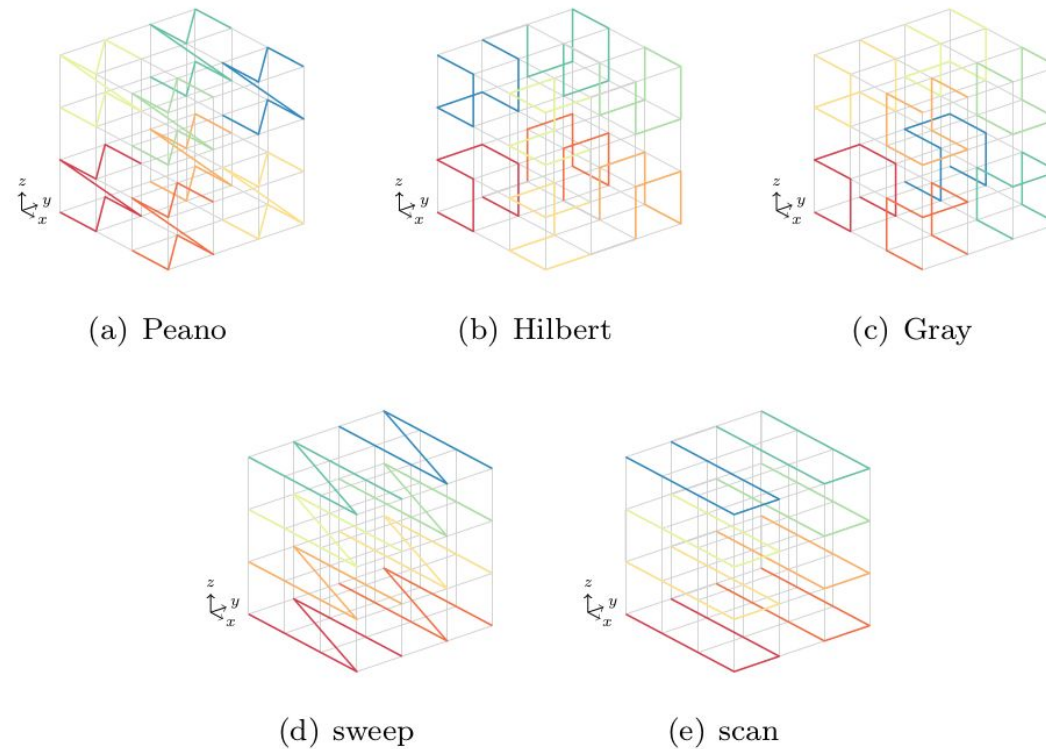


Figure 3: Illustration of the five SFCs on a 3-D **mesh** topology. The curves start on the bottom left corner of the topology and proceed along the lines in the **red-orange-yellow-olive-green-blue** order.

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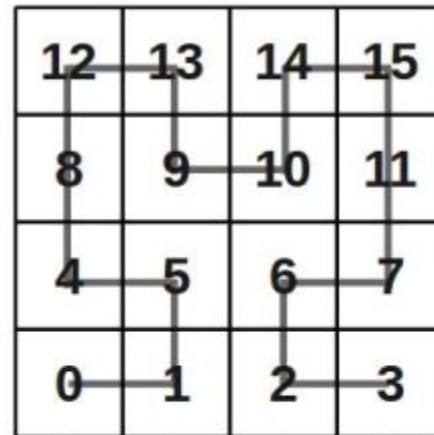


Figure 1. Hilbert curve for the case of 16 threads

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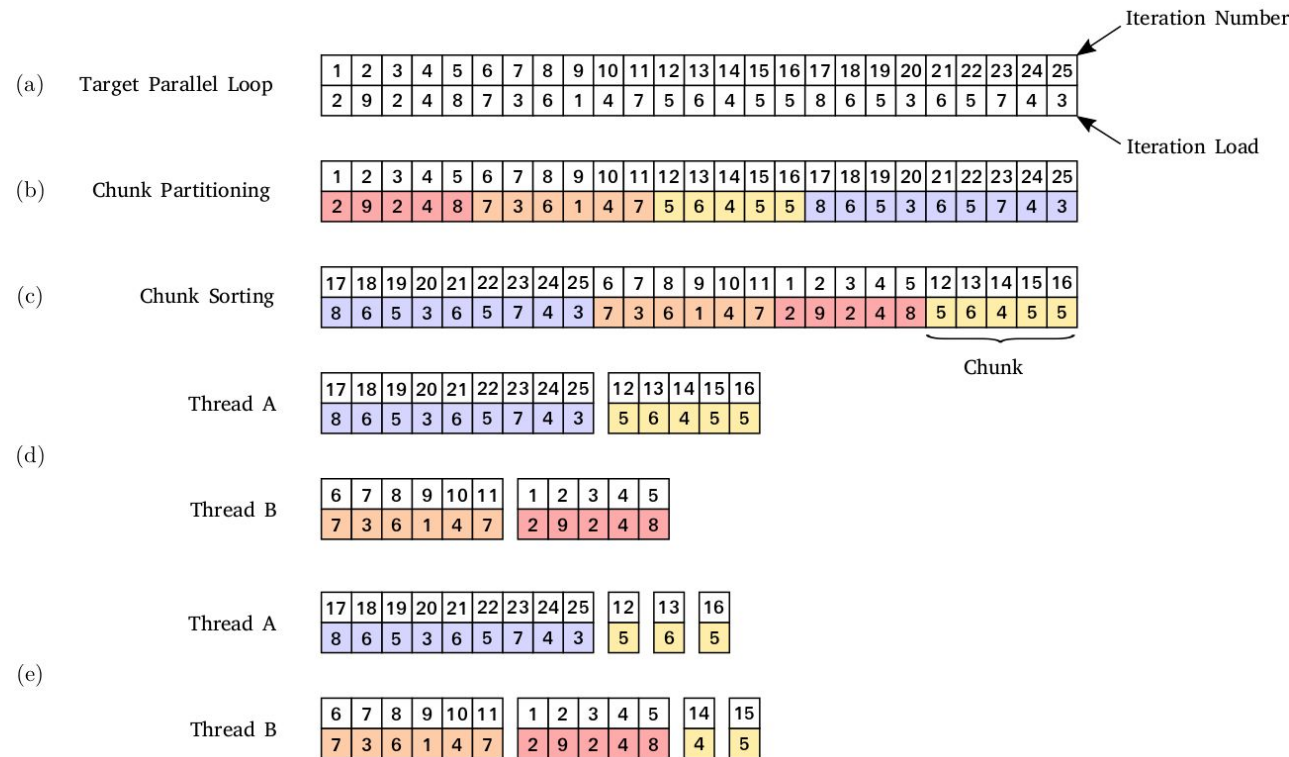


FIGURE 1 Example of loop scheduling using BinLPT: (a) target parallel loop; (b) chunk partitioning; (c) chunk sorting; (d) static scheduling based on LPT rule; and (e) on-demand scheduling.

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$Bsum \leftarrow B;$

while $k \leq K$ **and** $Bsum < W_{tot}$ **do**

$s_k \leftarrow \text{BINSRCH}(\mathcal{W}, s_{k-1}+1, N, Bsum);$

$Bsum \leftarrow \mathcal{W}[s_k] + B;$

$k \leftarrow k + 1;$

if $Bsum \geq W_{tot}$ **then**

return TRUE;

else

return FALSE;

(a)

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(b)

Figure 3: (a) Standard probe algorithm with $O(K \lg_2 N)$ complexity, (b) $O(K \lg_2(N/K))$ -time probe algorithm proposed by Han, Narahari, and Choi [12].

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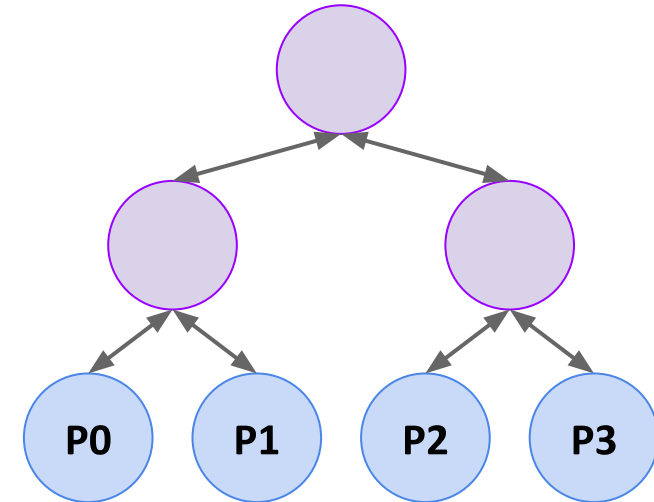
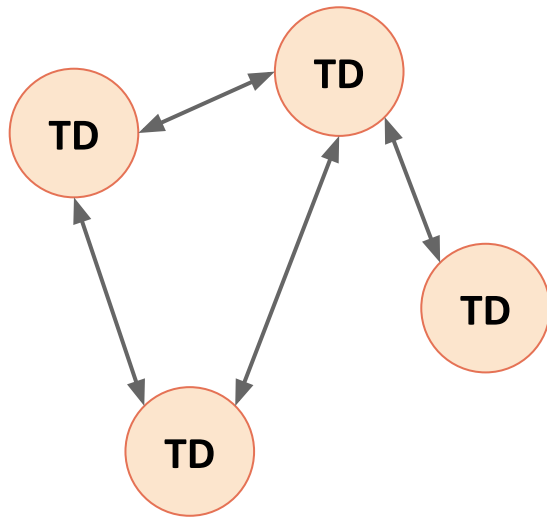
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Applications

- **Thread mapping on shared memory machines**
- **Process mapping on hierarchical networks (e.g., fat-trees)**

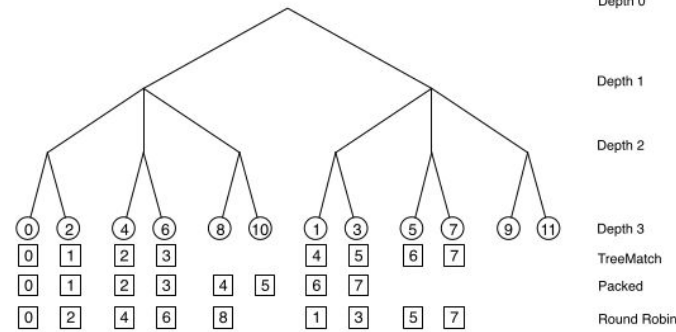
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Case study: TreeMatch [Jeannot 2010]

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Proc	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	1000	10	1	100	1	1	1
1	1000	0	1000	1	1	100	1	1
2	10	1000	0	1000	1	1	100	1
3	1	1	1000	0	1	1	1	100
4	100	1	1	1	0	1000	10	1
5	1	100	1	1	1000	0	1000	1
6	1	1	100	1	10	1000	0	1000
7	1	1	1	100	1	1	1000	0

(a) Communication Matrix



(b) Topology Tree (squares represent mapped processes using different algorithms)

Algorithm 1: The TREEMATCH Algorithm

Input: T // The topology tree
Input: m // The communication matrix
Input: D // The depth of the tree

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1 groups[1..D - 1] = ∅ // How nodes are grouped on each level
2 foreach depth ← D - 1..1 do // We start from the leaves
3   p ← order of m
4   // Extend the communication matrix if necessary
5   if p mod arity(T, depth - 1) ≠ 0 then
6     m ← ExtendComMatrix(T, m, depth)
7   groups[depth] ← GroupProcesses(T, m, depth) // Group
    processes by communication affinity
8   m ← AggregateComMatrix(m, groups[depth]) // Aggregate
    communication of the group of processes
9 MapGroups(T, groups) // Process the groups to build the
    mapping

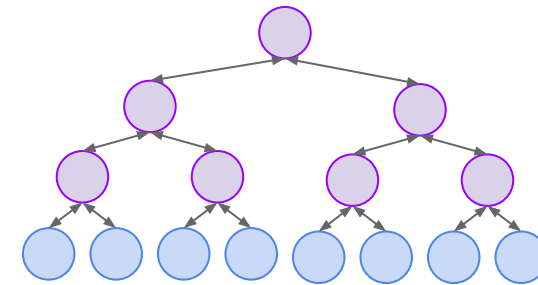
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2	1	100		10			1	
3	10		10		100	1		
4		1		100				1000
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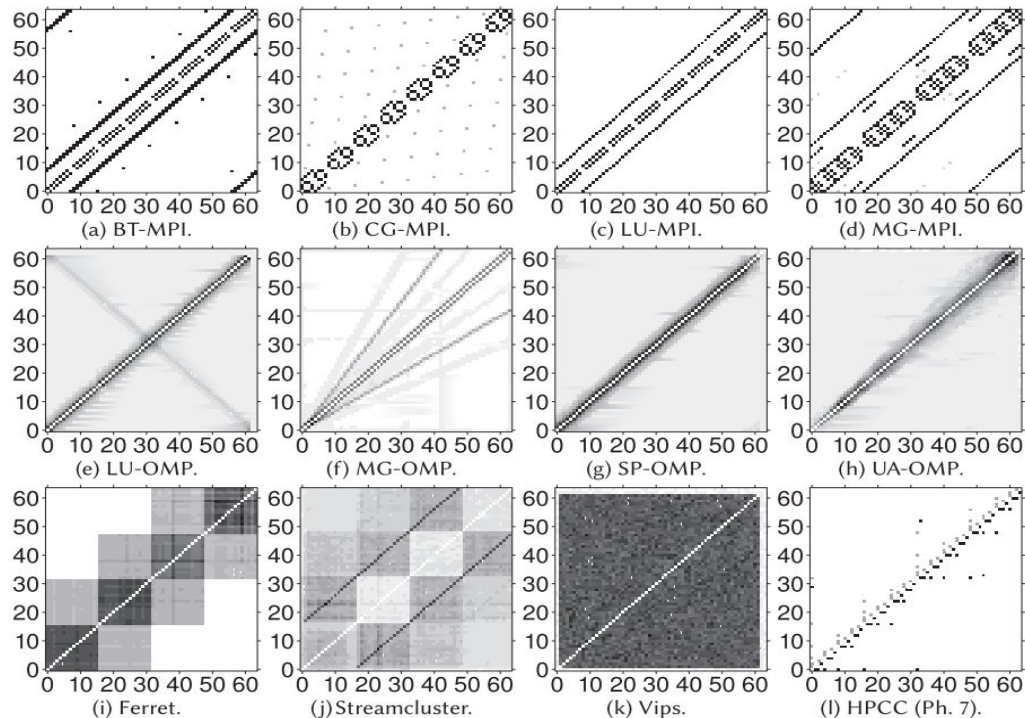


Fig. 1. Example communication matrices for parallel applications consisting of 64 tasks. Axes represent task IDs. Cells show the amount of communication between tasks. Darker cells indicate more communication. The communication matrices were generated as explained in Section 4.2.

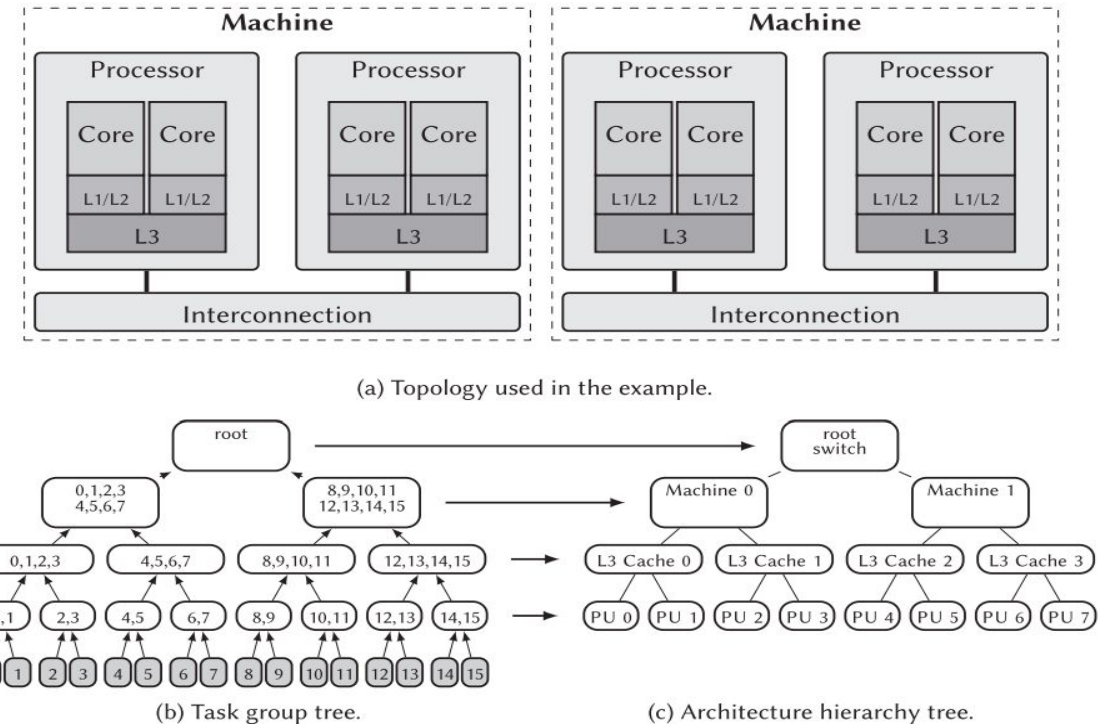


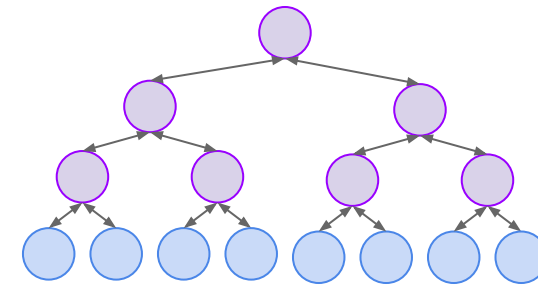
Fig. 2. Mapping 16 tasks in an architecture with eight PUs, L3 caches shared by two PUs, two processors per machine, and two machines.

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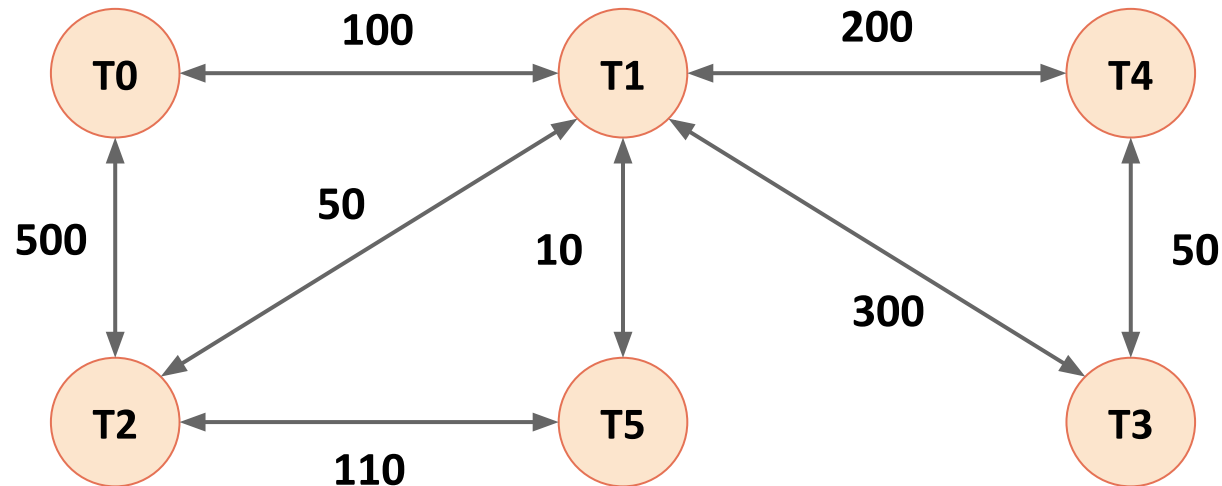
Applications

- Task mapping
- Mesh partitioning

Problems: graph partitioning

Important concepts

- Minimum cut
- Graph coarsening and uncoarsening
- Recursive bipartitioning & k-way partitioning
- Fiduccia-Mattheyses algorithm



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Case study: Scotch used for load balancing [Menon 2015]

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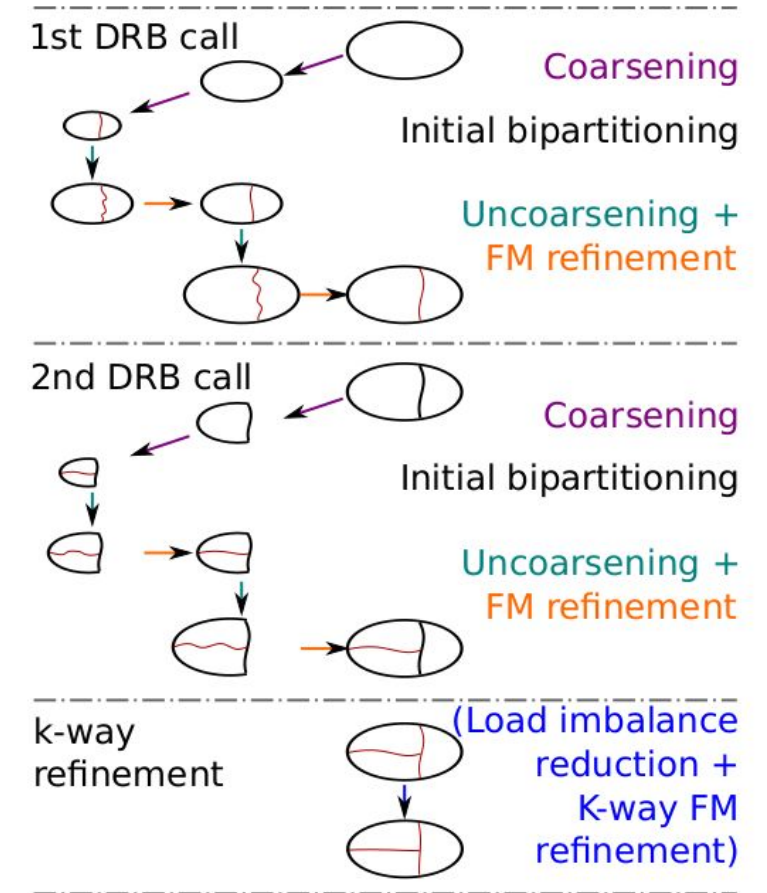
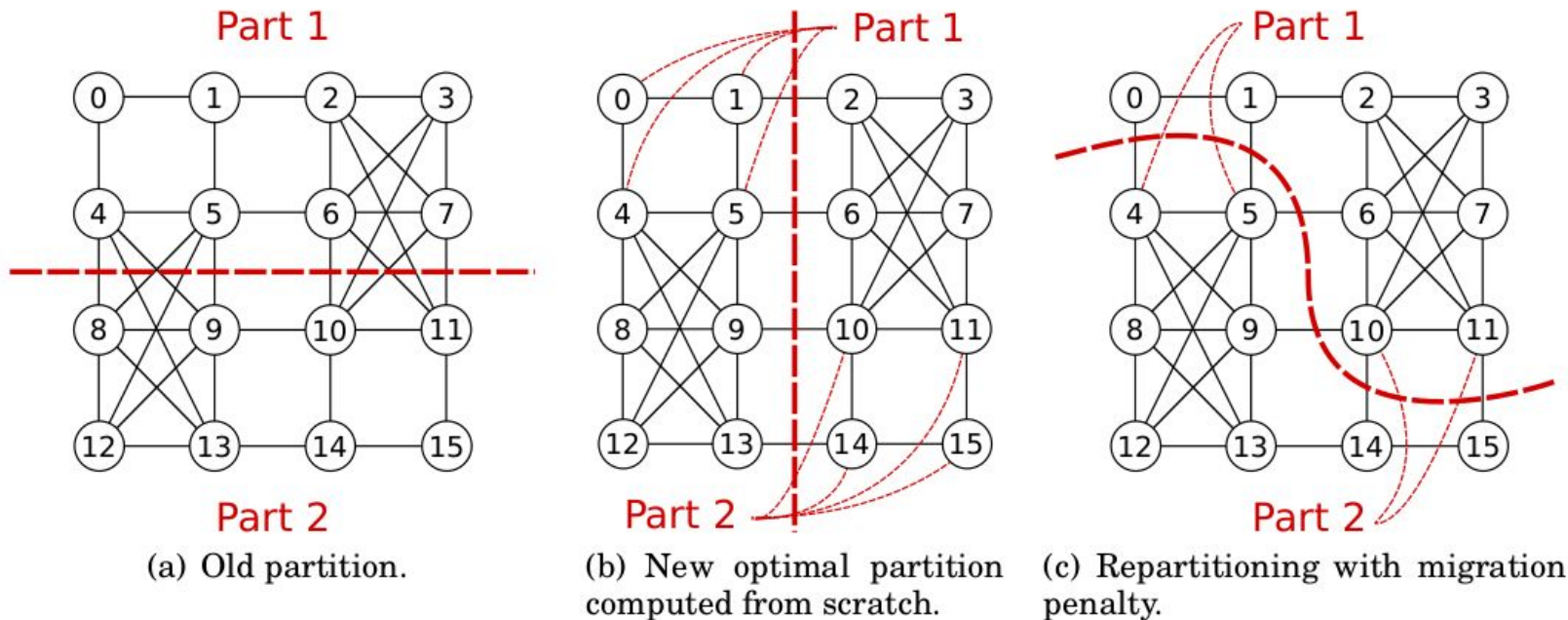


Fig. 3: Three phase partitioning in SCOTCH

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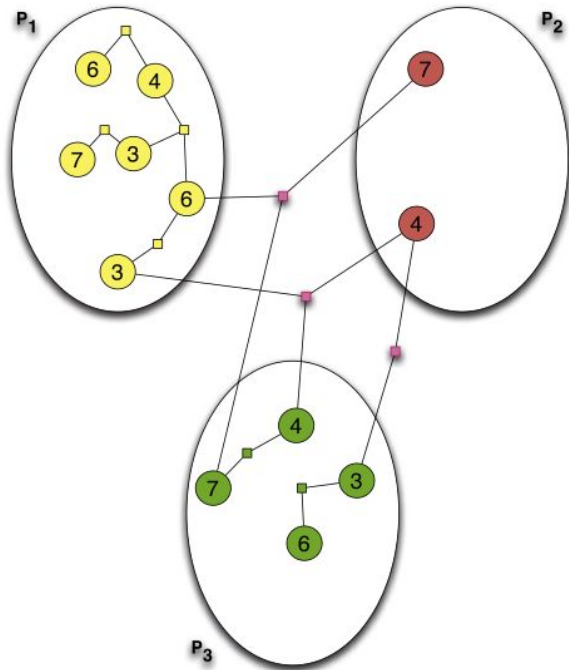
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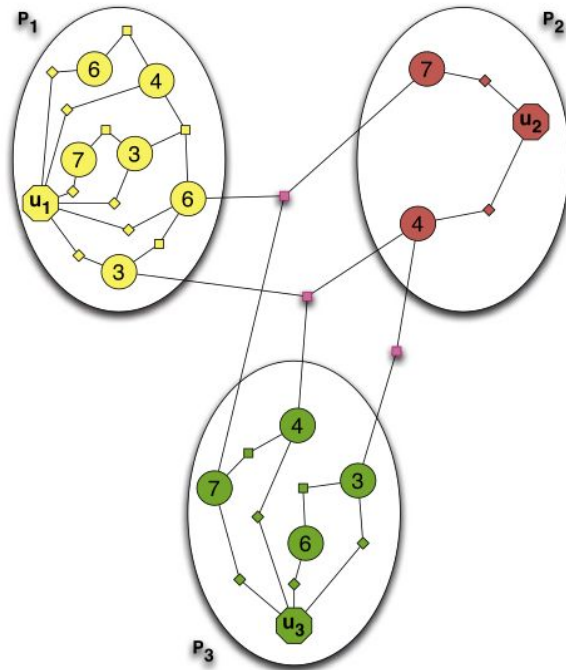
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Case study: Zoltan for dynamic load balancing [Çatalyurek 2009]

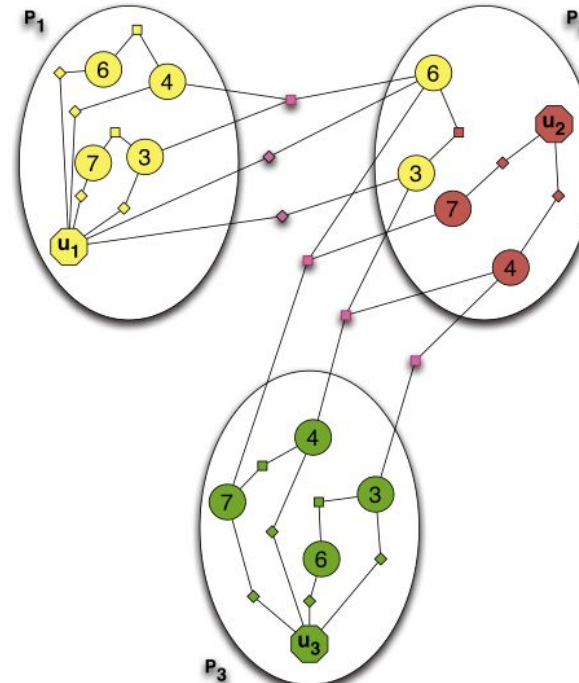
- Hypergraph repartitioning
- Avoid migrations



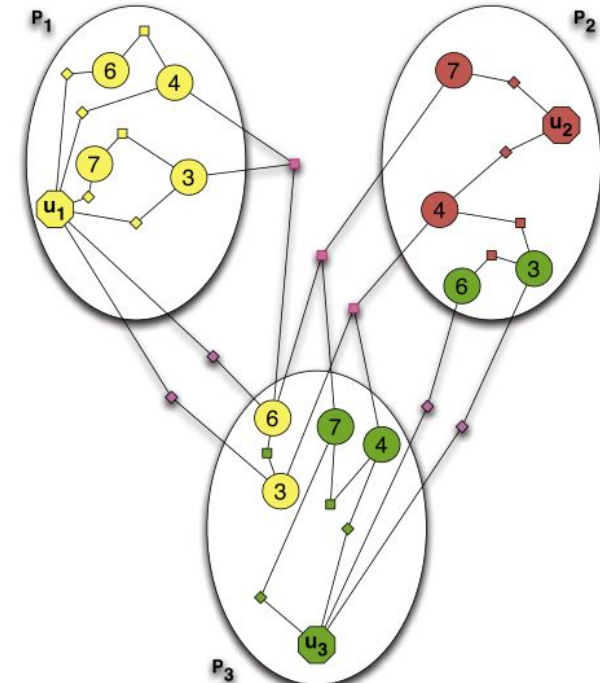
(a) Comp. hypergraph at epoch j .



(b) Repart. hypergraph at epoch j .



(c) A solution for $\alpha_j = 1$.



(d) A solution for $\alpha_j = 10$.

Concluding remarks

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Locality is important.

Problems can consider locality explicitly or implicitly.

They can appear alone or with other problems.

Different problems, different solutions ...

... but some ideas reappear occasionally.

Case studies were only a small subset of what is out there.

There are still many problems to be solved.

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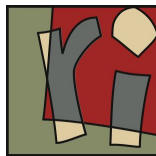
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