

UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS  
MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (MCA) DEGREE PROGRAMME  
SYLLABUS WITH EFFECT FROM 2023-2024

Title of the Paper	<b>High Performance Computing</b>		
Elective- VI Theory	II Year & IV Semester	Credit:3	535E4B

**Course Objectives:**

- To get a clear idea of High Performance Computing concept.
- To get brief knowledge about how to function the HPC systems.
- To get idea of what techniques used in HPC models.
- To understand a Parallel computing concepts.
- To get familiar with OpenMP technology that is widely used in HPC technology.

**Unit I:** Modern processors: Stored-program computer architecture-General purpose cache based microprocessor architecture-Memory hierarchies-Multicore processors-Multithreaded processors-Vector processors. Basic optimization techniques for serial code: Scalar profiling-Common sense optimizations-Simple measures, large impact-The role of compilers-C++ optimizations.

**Unit II:** Data access optimization: Balance analysis and light speed estimates-Storage order-Algorithm classification and access optimizations-The Jacobi algorithm-Algorithm classification and access optimizations-Sparse matrix-vector multiply. Parallel computers: Taxonomy of parallel computing paradigms-Shared-memory computers-Distributed memory computers-Hierarchical systems-Networks.

**Unit III:** Basics of parallelization: Introduction to Parallelism -Parallel scalability. Shared memory parallel programming with OpenMP: Short introduction to OpenMP-OpenMP-parallel Jacobi algorithm.

**Unit IV:** Efficient OpenMP programming: Profiling OpenMP programs-Performance pitfalls-Parallel sparse matrix-vector multiply. Locality optimizations on ccNUMA architectures: Locality of access on ccNUMA-ccNUMA optimization of sparse MVM-Placement pitfalls-ccNUMA issues with C++.

**Unit V:** Distributed-memory parallel programming with MPI: Message passing-A short introduction to MPI-MPI parallelization of a Jacobi solver. Efficient MPI programming: MPI performance tools-Communication parameters-Synchronization, serialization, contention-Reducing communication overhead-Understanding intranode point-to-point communication.

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**Text book:**

1. Georg Hager, Gerhard Wellein “Introduction to High Performance Computing for Scientists and Engineers”, CRC Press, 2011.Chapters: 1 to 10.

**Reference books:**

1. Michael W. Berry, Kyle A. Gallivan, Efstratios Gallopoulos, Ananth Grama, Bernard Philippe, Yousef Saad, Faisal Saied, “High-performance scientific computing: algorithms and applications”, Springer, 2012.
2. Victor Eijkhout, “Introduction to High Performance Scientific Computing”, MIT Press, 2011.

**Course Outcomes**

On the successful completion of the course, students will be able to

CO1	Understand of the HPC and ccNUMA concepts	K1-K6
CO2	Design and develop a parallel programming with modern C, C++ and new version of FORTRAN	K1-K6
CO3	Apply with parallel computing	K1-K6
CO4	Develop an efficient OpenMP programming	K1-K6
CO5	Evaluate an efficient MPI programming	K1-K6

K1- Remember, K2- Understand, K3- Apply, K4- Analyze, K5 Evaluate, K6- Create

**Mapping with Programme Outcomes:**

	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7	PO8	PO9	PO10
CO1	S	L	M	L	L	L	S	S	S	S
CO2	S	M	L	M	M	L	S	L	S	L
CO3	S	S	S	M	M	L	M	L	M	L
CO4	S	S	S	M	S	L	M	L	M	S
CO5	S	S	S	M	M	L	M	M	M	M

S- Strong; M-Medium; L-Low