

Program Design for Parallel Execution

Note Title

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Decomposition

serial alg. \rightarrow collection of tasks
that can execute in parallel

tasks are atomic

$$A[i,j] = f(A[i,j], A[i-1,j], A[i,j-1])..$$

granularity

static vs. dynamic

Assignment

dividing tasks into processes/threads
aggregating tasks based on proc. count

Orchestration

shared memory vs. message passing
author code

Mapping

parallel prog. → Who executes what

might be manual

or OS decides

Orchestration

shared addr space (shared mem)

- implicit comm
- read triggered comm
- sync. explicit

message passing

- explicit comm
- send triggered "
- sync implicit

several flavors of explicit comm.

send/recv - pairwise

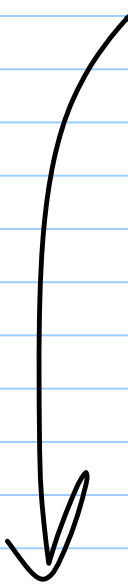
collective ops - group

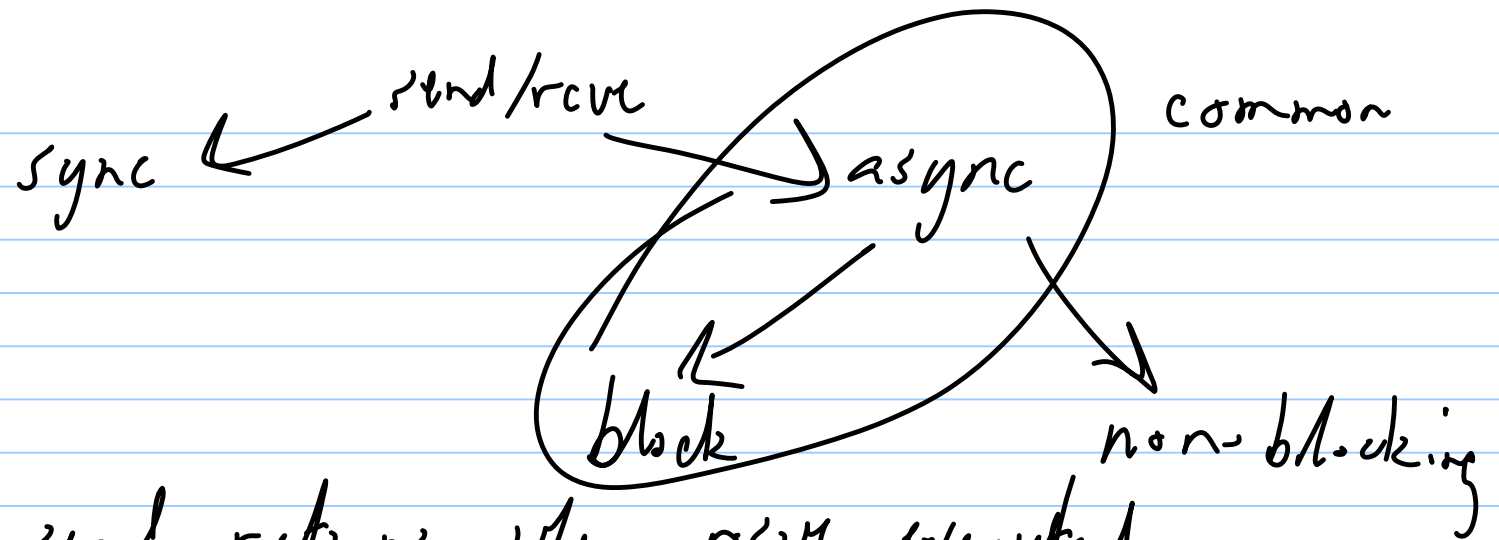
barrier

reduction

assoc./comm. operator

+, max, min





sync send returns when recv executed
 async send returns when buffer is free
 blocking

non-blocking send the buffer is still writable
 non-blocking recv returns indicating whether successful