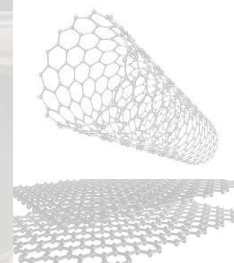


**NEW INTER-DISCIPLINARY COURSE
SPRING SEMESTER 2018-19**

Centre for Computational and Data Sciences (CCDS)

**High Performance Computing and its Applications
in Complex Physical Systems**

Course Number: CD61004 Credits: 4 (3-1-0)



Objectives:

- 1.) To introduce the basic concepts related to HPC architecture and parallel computing
- 2.) To discuss various computational techniques for studying soft matter systems
- 3.) To apply these concepts for examining complex biomolecular/materials systems that generally require large-scale HPC platform with hybrid CPU-GPU architectures.

Target audience: Ph.D., M.Sc., M.Tech, Int. M.Sc. Students

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Key features: Hands-on sessions, tutorials, exposure to using hybrid CPU-GPU computing, practical knowledge and skills for using HPC environment, application to real-world problems in material science and biology.

Contents and Lecture Hours (L,T):

Component 1: Introduction to HPC architecture and parallel programming (11L, 4T)

- Basic architecture and organization: memory hierarchy, shared and distributed memory architectures, multiprocessor architecture
- Introduction to thread level parallelism
- Accelerators (GPU, Xeon-Phi)
- Performance prediction and evaluation
- Parallel programming/computing: Introduction to MPI/ OpenMP, basics of CUDA programming
- Optimizing cluster operation: Running jobs in HPC environment, job scheduler, cluster level load balancing

Component 2: Special methods for studying complex systems (15L, 4T)

- Basics of statistical mechanics
- Potential energy surface
- Introduction to molecular mechanics
- Simulation methods: Molecular Dynamics (MD), Monte Carlo (MC) simulations
- Enhanced sampling methods
- Coarse-grain modeling

Component 3: Applications to complex systems (14L, 6T)

- Open-source software: MD and MC simulation packages
- Parallelization in software: domain/spatial decomposition, distribution of nonbonded interactions, dynamic load balancing, multiprocessor communication
- Modeling of soft matter systems such as biomolecules, polymers, carbon nanostructures etc.
- Computation of thermodynamic, kinetic and mechanical properties of different complex systems

For further information, log on to ERP and look for course number CD61004
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