

Review of Machines Seen So Far

■ Machines

- Illiac IV
- Staran
- MPP
- CM-2
- Butterfly

■ Issues:

- SIMD, MIMD, associative SIMD
- Number of PE's, width of PE, memory per PE
- PE interconnection
- Software
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Interconnection Networks (Terminology)

- Diameter of network = largest distance between two nodes
 - Low is good, why?
- Bisection width of network = minimum number of edges that must be removed in order to divide the network into two halves (within one)
 - High is better, why?
- Number of edges per node, Maximum edge length
 - Best if these are a constant independent of network size, why?

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Mesh Network

■ 2-D mesh

- Interior nodes communicate with 4 nodes
- Variations allow wrap-around to same or adjacent rows / columns
 - If all ends wrap to opposite side the mesh is called a torus

■ q-D mesh

- Diameter is $q(k-1)$ for k^q nodes
- Bisection width is k^{q-1} for k^q nodes

■ Used in:

- Illiac IV
- MPP
- CM-2 (NEWS grid)
- DAP, MP-1 (covered later in course)

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Tree Networks

■ Binary Tree

- 2^k-1 nodes arranged into complete binary tree of depth $k-1$
- Diameter is $2(k-1)$
- Bisection width is 1

■ Hypertree

- Low diameter of a binary tree plus improved bisection width
- Hypertree of degree k and dept d
 - From "front", looks like k -ary tree of height d
 - From "side", looks like upside-down binary tree of height d
 - Join both views to get complete network
- 4-ary hypertree of depth d
 - 4^d leaves and $2^d(2^{d+1}-1)$ nodes
 - Diameter is $2d$
 - Bisection width is 2^{d+1}
 - Used in CM-5 (covered later in course)

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Butterfly

■ Butterfly network

- $(k+1)2^k$ nodes divided into $k+1$ rows (ranks, labeled 0 through k), each containing $n=2^k$ nodes
- Diameter of a network with $(k+1)2^k$ nodes is $2k$
- Bisection width for that size is 2^{k-1}
- Used in BBN Butterfly

■ Hypercube

- Butterfly with columns collapsed into single nodes
 - 2^k nodes forms a k -dimensional hypercube
 - Nodes are labeled 0 through 2^k-1 , two nodes are adjacent if labels differ by 1 bit
- Diameter of a network with 2^k nodes is k
- Bisection width for that size is 2^{k-1}
- Used in CM-2, nCUBE (covered later)