

CSEP 524: Parallel Computation

(week 4 housekeeping)

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Tuesdays 6:30 – 9:20

MGH 231



Reading Assignment Questions

- Questions have been good, useful
 - I wish we were getting to more of them
- **Please** submit them as text files



Keeping Message Boards Manageable

- For questions directly pertaining to a HW question:
 - **Subject:** HW n, Q k:
- For questions about Chapel that may be of general interest (“How do I...”, “Does Chapel support...”)
 - **Subject:** Chapel
- For questions relating to reporting Chapel bugs or asking Chapel support questions
 - **Mail:** chapel_csep524@cray.com
- For other stuff, make best judgement call



Call for feedback

- If you're rating assignments as "too fast" and/or lectures as "too slow" on the www, please send me concrete details/pain points/suggestions
 - I'm wrestling with how to keep the class practical and valuable without killing/boring everyone.
 - You can send anonymously, but you're more likely to hear my reaction if you don't (and I'm not likely to hold constructive feedback against you)

Responses to Concrete Requests/Feedback

- Slides before lecture? Assignments before lecture?
 - Unlikely (practically and philosophically), but I'll keep wrestling with it
- Readings before lecture?
 - More plausible – how many people would read ahead? I'll see what I can do.
- HW is taking too long because C is painful!
 - I'm not sure how I can help with this...
 - Why did I choose C? Because it's the adopted language we can use for throughout the quarter for shared and distributed memory programming.

