Energy-aware mappings of series-parallel workflows onto chip multiprocessors

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- NP-complete with bounded elevation: reduction from 2-PARTITION
- We enforce $In, A_1, \ldots, A_{n+1}, Out$ to be mapped consecutively
- 2-partition of the blue nodes on both sides



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Bi-directional square CMP $(p \times p)$

- The previous result implies the NP-completeness for 1 × q CMPs, and hence CMPs of arbitrary shapes (p × q)
- Square: not a direct consequence, but still NP-complete; reuse the uni-line proof by enforcing a line in the square
- Surprisingly involved proof



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Almost similar

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- Random and the 1D heuristics do not perform well for large ymax
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