

# Introduction to Programming with OpenMP



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- 1) Parallell programming models
- 2) About OpenMP
- 3) OpenMP Directives
- 4) Data Scope
- 5) Runtime Library Routines and Environment Variables
- 6) SIMD using OpenMP
- 7) Using OpenMP



## Parallel Programming

- Traditionally, a serial program views the problem at hand as follows:
  - Break the problem into discrete instructions
  - Execute instructions sequentially
    - May use hardware level parallelism (automatic) e.g.
      - Instruction Level Parallelism
        - out of order execution
        - hyperthreading
  - Execute on a single processor
  - In modern architectures a finite number of instructions can be executed by a CPU safely.

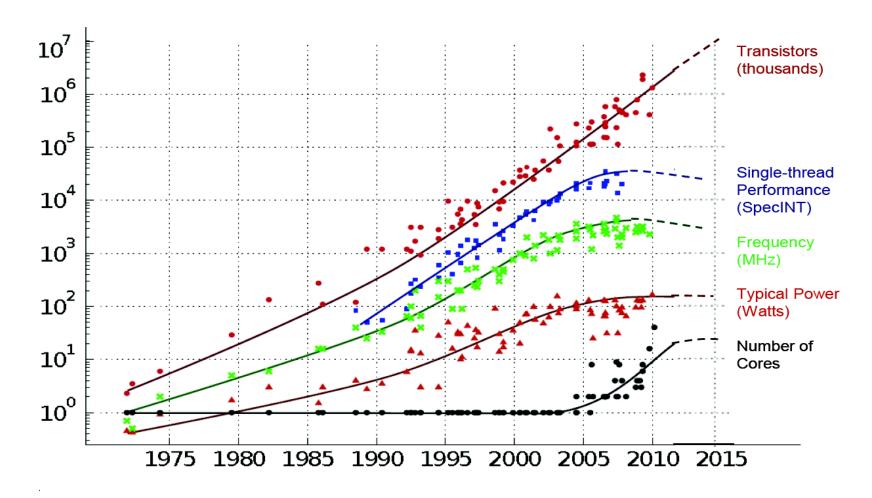


#### Parallel Programming—contd..

- In a parallel program
  - Break the problem into discrete parts which can run independent of each other
  - Each part can be sequential in nature
  - Instructions from each part run on different compute units
  - There should be some means of global process to coordinated and control the workflow



#### 35 YEARS OF MICROPROCESSOR TREND DATA



Original data collected and plotted by M. Horowitz, F. Labonte, O. Shacham, K. Olukotun, L. Hammond and C. Batten Dotted line extrapolations by C. Moore

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#### Parallel Architectures

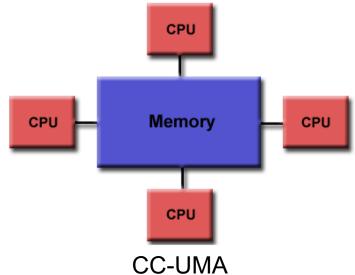


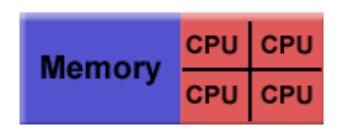
For the memory as a compute resource, a machine can be seen as:

Shared memory architecture

 Uniform Memory Access (UMA)

 Non-Uniform Memory Access (NUMA)





**CC-NUMA** 

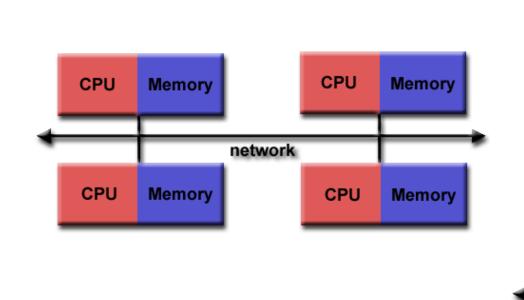
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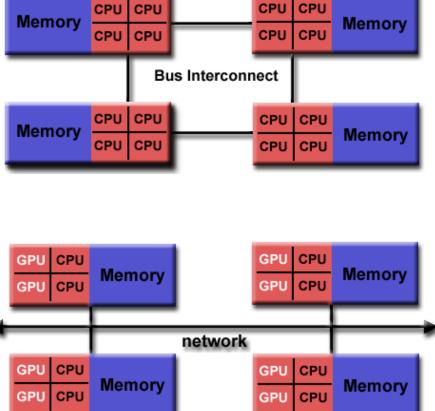


#### Parallel Architectures – contd..

#### Distributed memory architecture

#### Hybrid (distributed – shared) Memory architecture





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## Parallel Programming Models

Depending on the architecture at hand, following are the commonly used programming models:

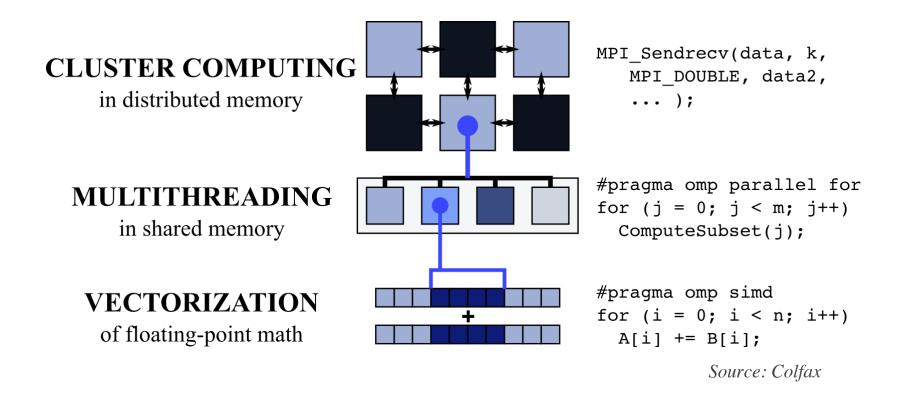
- Shared memory model
  - Without threads (e.g. using lock and semaphores)
  - Thread model (e.g. pthreads, OpenMP)
- Distributed Memory Model (Message Passing Interface MPI)
- Data parallel model (e.g. Partitioned Global memory address space PGAS)
- Hybrid (e.g. MPI+OpenMP or MPI+CUDA)

## Parallel programming layers



How to get the maximum out of the modern microprocessor architecture?

- MPI across the nodes
- Multithreading on node
  - Vectorization on core





### **About OpenMP**

# OpenMP is an API for writing multithreaded applications to run on shared memory architecture

- Industry-standard shared memory programming (SMP) model
- Developed in 1997
- Simplifies the writing of multithreaded programs in Fortran, C and C++
- OpenMP Architecture Review Board (ARB) determines additions and updates to standard
- Latest version = 4.5 (5.0 rollout soon)



## **Advantages to OpenMP**

- Parallelize small parts of application, one at a time (beginning with *most time-critical* parts)
- Can express simple or complex algorithms
- Code size grows only modestly
- Expression of parallelism flows clearly, so code is easy to read
- Single source code for OpenMP and non-OpenMP
  - Compilers simply ignore OpenMP directives if not compiled with it



## **OpenMP Programming Model**

Application Programmer Interface (API) is a combination of

- Directives
- Runtime library routines
- Environment variables

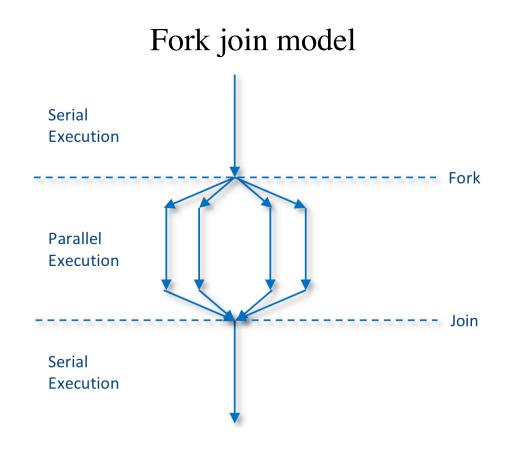
API falls into three categories

- Expression of parallelism (flow control)
- Data sharing among threads (communication)
- Synchronization (coordination or interaction)

#### Parallelism in OpenMP



- Shared memory, threadbased parallelism
- Explicit parallelism (parallel regions)
- Fork/join model



Source: Intel in-house training



## **OpenMP Directives**



#### OpenMP Directives



- Syntax overview
- Parallel
- Loop
- Sections
- Synchronization

Reduction

OpenMP language extensions

parallel control structures

work sharing

data environment

synchronization

runtime functions, env. variables

governs flow of control in the program

parallel directive

distributes work among threads

do/parallel do and section directives scopes variables

shared and private clauses coordinates thread execution

critical and atomic directives barrier directive runtime environment Source: wikipedia

omp\_set\_num\_threads()
omp\_get\_thread\_num()
OMP\_NUM\_THREADS
OMP\_SCHEDULE



### **Syntax Overview: C/C++**

- Basic format#pragma omp directive-name [clause] newline
- All directives followed by newline
- Uses pragma construct (pragma = Greek for "thing done")
- Case sensitive
- Directives follow standard rules for C/C++ compiler directives
- Use curly braces (not on pragma line) to denote scope of directive
- Long directive lines can be continued by escaping newline character with \



## **OpenMP Directives: Parallel**

A block of code executed by multiple threads

#### C syntax:

```
#pragma omp parallel private(list) \
    shared (list)
{
    /* parallel section */
}
```



#### Simple Example in C

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <omp.h>
int main (int argc, char *argv[]) {
     int tid;
     printf("Hello world from threads:\n");
     #pragma omp parallel private(tid)
           tid = omp get thread num();
           printf("<%d>\n", tid);
     printf("I am sequential now\n");
     return 0;
```



### Accessing Exercises

All material in Github. Clone it:

git clone https://github.com/ADACS-Australia/HPC-Workshop.git

OpenMP Exercises, Solutions and Demos in:

cd HPC-Workshop/Introduction to OpenMP

Exercises and Solution directories contain:

- C and Fortran source codes
- Makefile and job submission scripts.



#### Exercise 1: OpenMP HelloWorld

Run an OpenMP hello world program in directory Exercise1

> cd HPC-Workshop/Introduction to OpenMP/Exercises/ex1/c

To build a executable run:

> make

To submit the a job to scheduler:

> sbatch hello-omp.slurm

Examine the output in slurm-xxxxx.out

Notice the thread order?



#### **Output (Simple Example)**

Output 1 Output 2

Hello world from threads: Hello world from threads:

<0> <1>

<1> <2>

<2> <0>

<3> <4>

<4> <3>

I am sequential now I am sequential now

Order of execution is scheduled by OS!!!!!!



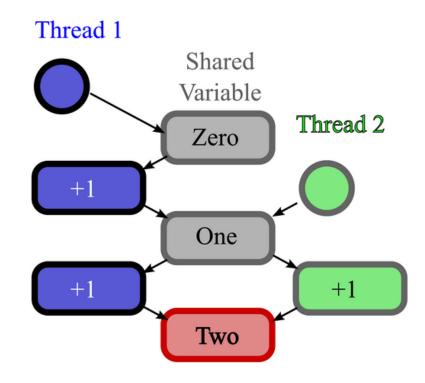
## OpenMP Directives

**Synchronization** 



#### **Synchronization**

- Sometimes order of thread execution matters
  - Maybe one part depends on another part being completed
  - Maybe only one thread need execute a section of code



**Race Condition!** 



#### **Synchronization**

Solution: Synchronization directives

**Mutexes** 

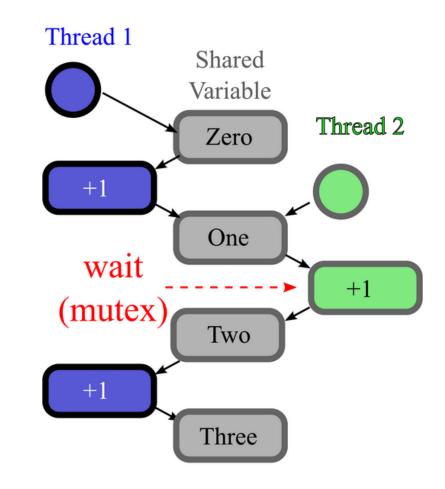
Critical, Atomic

**Explicit Synchronization** 

Barrier

Worksharing

Single, Master





#### Synchronization: Mutexes

#### Critical

- One of the two supported Mutexes
- Specifies section of code that must be executed by only one thread at a time
- Syntax:

#### #pragma omp critical (name)

 Names are global identifiers – critical regions with same name are treated as same region



#### **Synchronization: Mutexes**

Task farming example:

If x and y are tabulated in separate list then it is important to protect each list on thread level. ---

```
int read list(float* a, int type)
void work(int index, float* a)
void main(){
#pragma omp parallel shared(x, y)\
 private(ix next, iy next)
    #pragma omp critical (xaxis)
     ix next = read list(&x,0);
     work(ix next, &x);
    #pragma omp critical (yaxis)
     iy next = read list(&y,1);
     work(iy_next, &y);
```



#### Synchronization: Mutexes

- Atomic
  - Specifics updating a variable atomically
  - Faster then Critical but limited in scope i.e. supported operations
  - Syntax: C/C++

```
#pragma omp atomic (read | write | capture | update) x=x+1
```

Faster than critical but supports limited arithmetic operations



## Synchronization: Explicit

#### Barrier

- Synchronizes all threads
- a thread waits on a barrier unit all hit it
- All threads resume execution together

Syntax: #pragma omp barrier

Sequence of worksharing and barrier regions encountered must be the same for every thread



## **Worksharing Constructs**

## Single

- Enclosed code is to be executed by only one thread, whichever reaches it first.
- Useful for thread-unsafe sections of code (e.g., I/O)
- Syntax: #pragma omp single



## **Worksharing Construct**

#### Master

- Enclosed code is to be executed by the master thread only, usually thread 0.
- All other threads skip this block of code.
- There is no implied barrier with this call

#### Syntax:

#pragma omp master



## Worksharing construct

#### **Sections**

- Non-iterative work
- OS allocates a section to thead
- Thread runs section once
- Each section directives needs to be nested within sections directive

#### Syntax:

```
#pragma omp sections
{
    #pragma omp section
    /* first section */
    #pragma omp section
    /* next section */
}
```

#### **Sections: Simple Example**

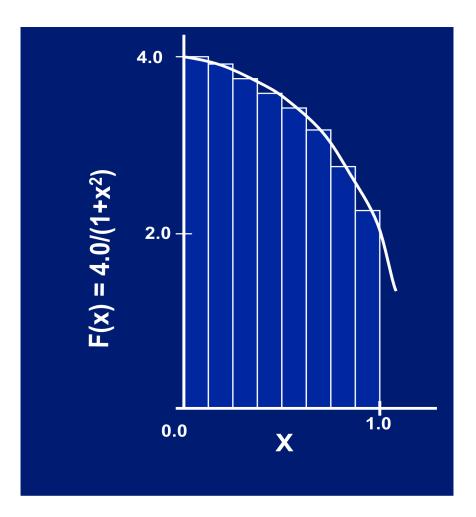


```
#include <omp.h>
#define N 1000
int main () {
  int i;
  double a[N], b[N];
  double c[N], d[N];
  /* Some initializations
  for (i=0; i < N; i++) {
    a[i] = i * 1.5;
   b[i] = i + 22.35;
  contd ...
```

```
contd ...
#pragma omp parallel \
shared(a,b,c,d) private(i)
    #pragma omp sections nowait
      #pragma omp section
        for (i=0; i < N; i++)
          c[i] = a[i] + b[i];
      #pragma omp section
        for (i=0; i < N; i++)
         d[i] = a[i] * b[i];
     } /* end of sections */
   } /* end of parallel section */
return 0;
```

# Exercise 2: Calculating value of Pi (Reimann sum)





Mathematically, we know that:

$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{4.0}{(1+x^2)} dx = \Pi$$

We can approximate the integral as a sum of rectangles:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{N} F(x_i) \Delta x \approx \Pi$$

Where each rectangle has width  $\Delta x$  and height  $F(x_i)$  at the middle of interval i.

Source: Tim Mattson's presentation from SC08



#### Serial version

#### Algorithm:

- -Decide the width (delta x) of each rectangle, lets call it the **step**
- -Decide how many steps to take in total
- -Evaluate the height of each rectangle by evaluating  $f(x) = \frac{4}{1+x^2}$
- -Pi = step \* (sum of heights)

#### How to run:

- > cd HPC-Workshop/Introduction\_to\_OpenMP/Exercises/ex2/c
- > make
- > sbatch pi-serial.slurm



## Profiling Pi-serial

- Using Allinea MAP
  - Code links to the MAP's sampler library
  - Needs to be compiled with -g debug flag
  - Runs as a normal code and produces a profile
- You will need to download Allinea Forge's remote client to see the profile

https://developer.arm.com/products/software-development-tools/hpc/downloads/download-arm-forge/older-versions-of-remote-client-for-arm-forge

How to run a profile of pi-serial?

sbatch pi-serial-prof.slurm

**Investigate profile and identify hotspot(s)** 



## Data scoping

Variable scope in OpenMP Directives



## Variable Scope

- By default, all variables are shared except
  - Certain loop index values private by default
  - Local variables and value parameters within
     subroutines called within parallel region private
  - Variables declared within lexical extent of parallel region private



## **Default Scope Example**

```
void caller(int *a, int n) {
int i,j,m=3;
#pragma omp parallel for
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
  int k=m;
  for (j=1; j<=5; j++) {
    callee(&a[i], &k, j);
void callee(int *x, int *y, int z)
  int ii;
  static int count;
  count++;
  for (ii=1; ii<z; ii++) {
    *x = *y + z;
```

Var	Scope	Comment
a	shared	Declared outside parallel construct
n	shared	same
i	private	Parallel loop index
j	shared	Sequential loop index
m	shared	Declared outside parallel construct
k	private	Automatic variable/parallel region
x	private	Passed by value
*x	shared	(actually a)
У	private	Passed by value
*У	private	(actually k)
z	private	(actually j)
ii	private	Local stack variable in called function
count	shared	Declared static (like global)



## Variable Scope

- Good programming practice: explicitly declare scope of all variables
- This helps you as programmer understand how variables are used in program
- Reduces chances of data race conditions or unexplained behavior Also use thread synchronization



## Variable Scope: Shared

Syntax: shared(list)

One instance of shared variable, and each thread can read or modify it

**WARNING:** watch out for multiple threads simultaneously updating same variable, or one reading while another writes

### Example

```
counter =0;
#pragma omp parallel for shared(a) firstprivate(counter)
for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
   a[i] += i;
   counter ++; // may be use omp critical or atomic here??
}</pre>
```



## Variable Scope: race condition

```
#pragma omp parallel for
for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
   if (a[i] == b[i]) {
      n_eq++;
   }
}</pre>
```

- All variables shared by default here except index of for loop
- n\_eq will not be correctly updated
- Instead, put n\_eq++; in critical block (slow) or introduce private variable
   my\_n\_eq, then update n\_eq in critical block after loop (faster)



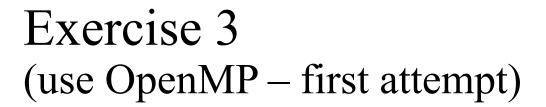
## Variable Scope: Private

Syntax: private(*list*)

Gives each thread its own copy of variable

#### Example

```
#pragma omp parallel private(i, my n eq)
   my n eq=0;
   #pragma omp for
     for (i = 0; i < N; i++) {
      if (a[i] == b[i]) my n eq++;
     #pragma omp critical (update_sum)
       n eq+=my n eq;
```





Introduce OpenMP to alleviate hot spot in serial version of Pi

Edit pi-omp-v1.c in vi editor

#### Hints:

- Focus on hot spots
- Use pragma omp parallel where you want to commence work sharing
- Synchronization may be required in places which have dependencies, (hint: pi = (step \* sum) may need your attention if sum is a private variable to each thread)
- Use omp get wtime() function for time profiling.

## Worksharing: Loop



Iterations of the loop following the directive are executed in parallel

#pragma omp for schedule(type

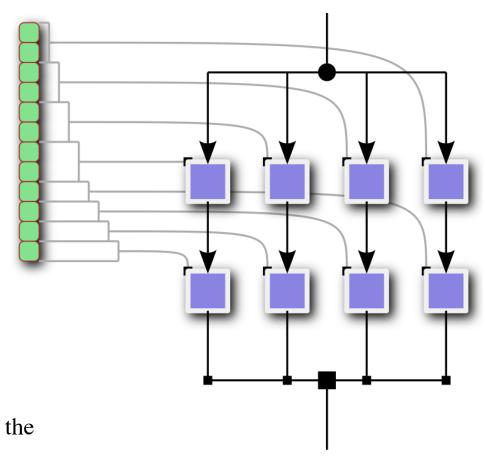
#### Syntax:

```
[,chunk]) private(list) \
shared(list) nowait

{
    /* for loop */
}

Type = {static, dynamic, guided, runtime}

If nowait specified, threads do not synchronize at the end of loop
```





## Worksharing: Loop Scheduling

- Default scheduling determined by implementation
- Static
  - Chunk = Num\_iterations / Num\_threads
  - Statically assigned at the beginning of loop
  - Load imbalance may be an issue if iterations have different amounts of work
  - Low overhead
- Dynamic
  - Assignment of threads determined at runtime (round robin)
  - Each thread gets more work after completing current work
  - Load balance is possible
  - Introduces extra overhead



## Worksharing: Loop Scheduling

Type	Chunks?	Chunk Size	# Chunks	Overhead	Description
static	no	N/P	P	Lowest	Simple static
static	yes	C	N/C	Low	Interleaved
dynamic	no	N/P	P	Medium	Simple dynamic
dynamic	yes	C	N/C	High	Dynamic, good loadbalance
guided	N/A	$\leq N/P$	$\leq N/C$	Highest	Dynamic optimized
runtime	Varies	Varies	Varies	Varies	Set by environment variable. E.g. OMP_SCHEDULE="dynamic,4"
auto	Compiler	Compiler	Compiler		Set by compiler

Note: N = size of loop, P = number of threads, C = chunk size



## Worksharing: Loop Scheduling

Scheduling static	Threads 0 1 2 3	0     1     2     3     4     5     6     7       8     9     10     11     12     13     14     15       16     17     18     19     20     21     22     23       24     25     26     27     28     29     30     31	Scheduling static,1	Threads 0 1 2 3	1       5       9       13       17       21       25       29         2       6       10       14       18       22       26       30         3       7       11       15       19       23       27       31
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	_	Time		_	Time



## Which Loops Are Parallelizable?

### **Parallelizable**

- Number of iterations known upon entry, and does not change
- Each iteration independent of all others
- No data dependence

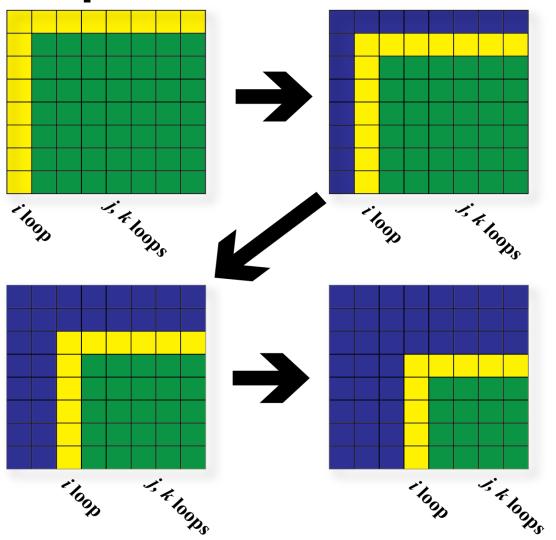
### Not Parallelizable

- Conditional loops (many while loops)
- Iterator loops (e.g., iterating over std:: list<...> in C++)
- Iterations dependent upon each other
- Data dependence



```
/* Gaussian Elimination (no pivoting):
  x = A b
for (int i = 0; i < N-1; i++) {
   for (int j = i; j < N; j++){
     double ratio = A[j][i]/A[i][i];
     for (int k = i; k < N; k++){
       A[j][k] = (ratio*A[i][k]);
       b[j] -= (ratio*b[i]);
```





Pivot row/

**Updated** entries

**Unused** entries



### Outermost Loop (i):

- N-1 iterations
- Iterations depend upon each other (values computed at step i-1 used in step i)

### Inner loop (**j**):

- N-i iterations (constant for given i)
- Iterations can be performed in any order

### Innermost loop (k):

- N-i iterations (constant for given i)
- Iterations can be performed in any order



```
/* Gaussian Elimination (no pivoting):
 x = A b
for (int i = 0; i < N-1; i++) {
#pragma omp parallel for shared(N,A,b,i) private(j,k)
for (int j = i; j < N; j++) {
     double ratio = A[j][i]/A[i][i];
     for (int k = i; k < N; k++) {
       A[j][k] = (ratio*A[i][k]);
       b[j] = (ratio*b[i]);
```

Note: can combine parallel and for into single pragma line

## **Loop: Simple Example**



```
#include <omp.h>
#define CHUNKSIZE 100
#define N 1000
int main () {
  int i, chunk;
  float a[N], b[N], c[N];
  /* Some initializations */
  for (i=0; i < N; i++)
    a[i] = b[i] = i * 1.0;
  chunk = CHUNKSIZE;
  #pragma omp parallel shared(a,b,c,chunk) private(i)
    #pragma omp for schedule(dynamic, chunk) nowait
    for (i=0; i < N; i++)
     c[i] = a[i] + b[i];
  } /* end of parallel section */
  return 0;
```





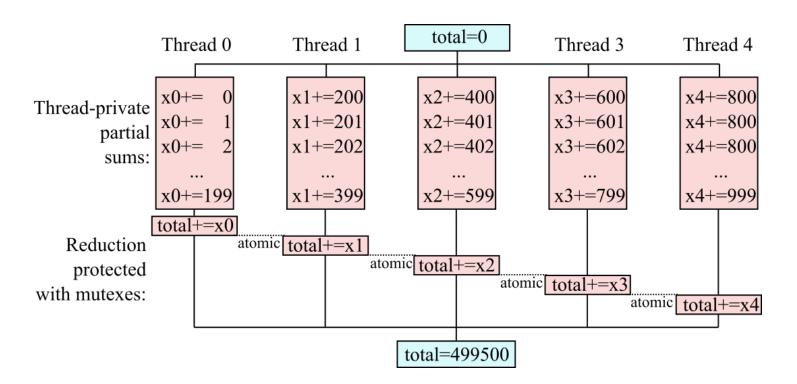
Reduces list of variables into one, using operator (e.g., max, sum, product, etc.)

Syntax:

#pragma omp reduction(op : list)

**!**\$omp reduction(op : list)

where *op* can be of the following:





# Exercise 4 (use OpenMP – second attempt)

Can we do better than exercise 3 version?

Edit pi-omp-v2. c in vi editor

Hints:

• Possibly applying reduction on variable sum ??



## Runtime Library Routines and Environment Variables

## OpenMP Runtime Library Routines Stronomy Data and Computing Service

### void omp\_set\_num\_threads(int num\_threads)

Sets number of threads used in next parallel region

Must be called from serial portion of code

Returns number of threads currently in team executing parallel region from which it is called

Returns rank of thread



## **OpenMP Environment Variables**

Set environment variables to control execution of parallel code

### **OMP\_SCHEDULE**

Determines how iterations of loops are scheduled E.g., setenv OMP\_SCHEDULE "dynamic, 4"

### OMP\_NUM\_THREADS

Sets maximum number of threads

E.g., setenv OMP\_NUM\_THREADS 4



## Using OpenMP



## **Conditional Compilation**

- Can write single source code for use with or without OpenMP
- Pragmas are ignored
- What about OpenMP runtime library routines?
- \_OPENMP macro is defined if OpenMP available: can use this to conditionally include omp.h header file, else redefine runtime library routines



# **Conditional Compilation: Preprocessing**

```
#ifdef OPENMP
  #include <omp.h>
#else
  #define omp get thread num() 0
#endif
int me = omp get thread num();
```



## **Enabling OpenMP Directives**

- Most standard compilers support OpenMP directives
- Enable using compiler flags

Compiler	Intel	PGI	GNU	Cray	
Flag	-openmp	-mp	-fopenmp	-h omp	

Note: For Cray compiler, OpenMP is enabled by default.

Disable OpenMP with -h noomp





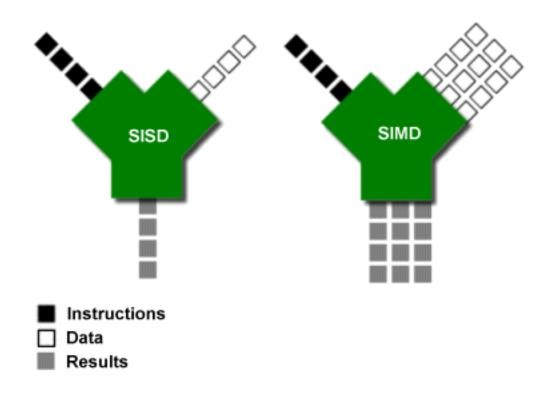
Set OpenMP environment variables in batch scripts (e.g., include definition of OMP\_NUM\_THREADS in script)

Example: to run a code with 8 MPI processes and 3 threads/MPI process:

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=3
srun -n 8 ./myprog
```



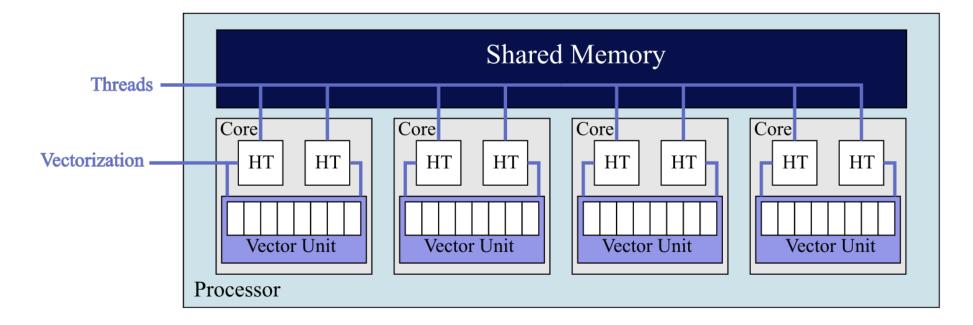






### Node level parallelism

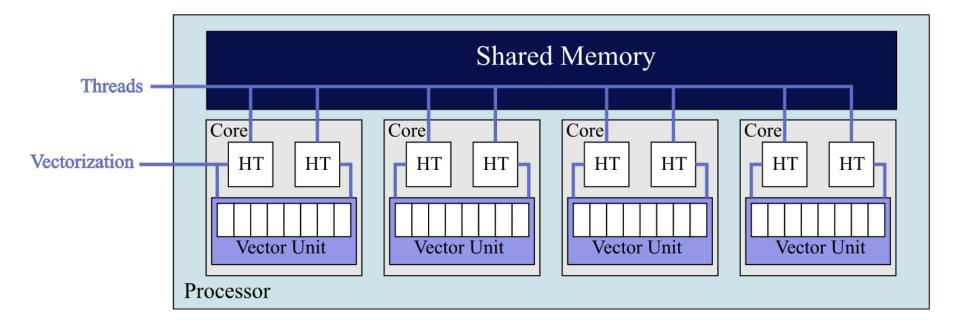
- The vector length increasing
- Threads implement Multiple Instructions Multiple Data (MIMD)
- Vector Units implements Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD)



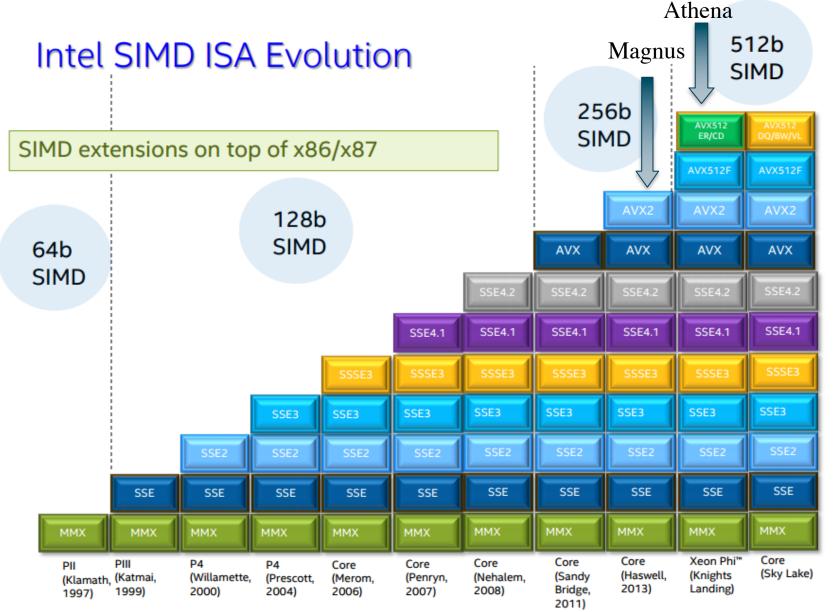


### Node level parallelism

- The catch
- Developer has to write good code performance not free
  - Allocate memory as you access it improve data locality improve cache layout





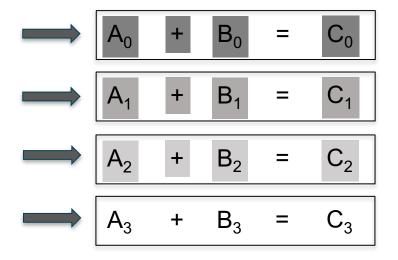


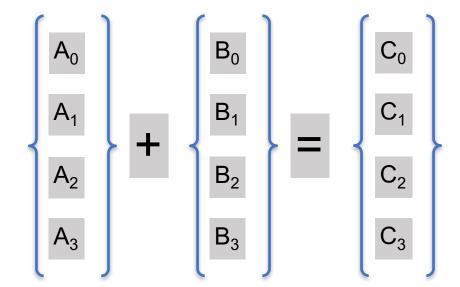


### Scalar vs Vector

Solving

$$A[i] + B[i] = C[i]$$





Supposing vector length = 4

#### More involved

Assembly code : ASM

**Vector Intrinsics:** 

See Intel Vector Instrinsics guide

\_m256\_add\_epi8(\_\_mm256i a, \_\_mm256i b )

Directive or language/API based SIMD vectorization: OpenMP

#pragma omp simd

Cilk Plus vector notations:

A[:] + B[:] = C[:]

**Automatic vectorization Hints:** 

#pragma ivdep , #pragma vector [clause] etc

Automatic vectorization — compiler flags —xCORE-AVX2, —hcpu=craype-haswell, —march=core-avx2

Use vendor tuned libraries e.g. cray-libsci, Intel MKL

Ease of Use

Easy



## **Utilizing SIMD with OpenMP**

Used to "enforce vectorization of loops", which includes:

- Loops with SIMD-enabled functions
- Second innermost loops
- Failed vectorization due to compiler decision
- Where guidance is required (vector length, reduction, etc.)

SeeOpenMP reference for syntax; similar to Intel's #pragma simd



## SIMD loop construct

- Vectorize a loop nest (usually second inner most loops)
  - Cut loop into chunks that fit a SIMD vector register
  - No parallelization of the loop body

### • Syntax:

```
#pragma omp simd [clause[[,] clause],...]
for-loops
```



## SIMD loop construct : Clauses

safelen (length): Maximum number of iterations that can run concurrently without

- breaking a dependence
- in practice, maximum vector length

simdlen (length): Specify preferred length of SIMD registers used

• Must be less or equal to safelen if also present

linear (list[:linear-step]) : The variable's value is in relationship
with the iteration number

• xi = xorig + i \* linear-step



## SIMD loop construct : Clauses

aligned (list[:alignment]) : Specifies that the list items have a given alignment

• Default is alignment for the architecture

collapse (n) : Apply SIMD to next n nested loops. If no collapse in present than only the immediate loop is vectorized.



## Example: (IVOP)

Inner vectorize Outer Parallelize

```
const int N=128, T=4;
float A[N*N], B[N*N], C[T*T];
for (int jj = 0; jj < N; jj+=T) // Tile in j
  for (int ii = 0; ii < N; ii+=T) // and tile in i
#pragma omp simd // Vectorize outer loop
    for (int k = 0; k < N; ++k) // long loop, vectorize it
          for (int i = 0; i < T; i++) // Loop between ii and
ii+T. Instead of a loop between jj and jj+T, unrolling that
loop:
          C[0*T + i] += A[(jj+0)*N + k]*B[(ii+i)*N + k];
          C[1*T + i] += A[(jj+1)*N + k]*B[(ii+i)*N + k];
          C[2*T + i] += A[(jj+2)*N + k]*B[(ii+i)*N + k];
          C[3*T + i] += A[(jj+3)*N + k]*B[(ii+i)*N + k];
          }
```



## Example: SIMD reduction

```
float result(float *a, float *b, int n) {
    float sum = 0.0f;
    #pragma omp simd
    reduction(+:sum) for (int k=0; k<n;
k++) sum += a[k] * b[k];
    return sum;
}</pre>
```



## Example: SIMD Enabled functions

```
// Compiler will produce 3 versions:
#pragma omp declare simd
float my_simple_add(float x1, float x2)
     return x1 + x2;
// May be in a separate file
#pragma omp simd
for (int i = 0; i < N, ++i)
     output[i] = my_simple_add(inputa[i], inputb[i]);
```



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## Questions?