

CS528

OpenMP and Cilk

A Sahu

Dept of CSE, IIT Guwahati

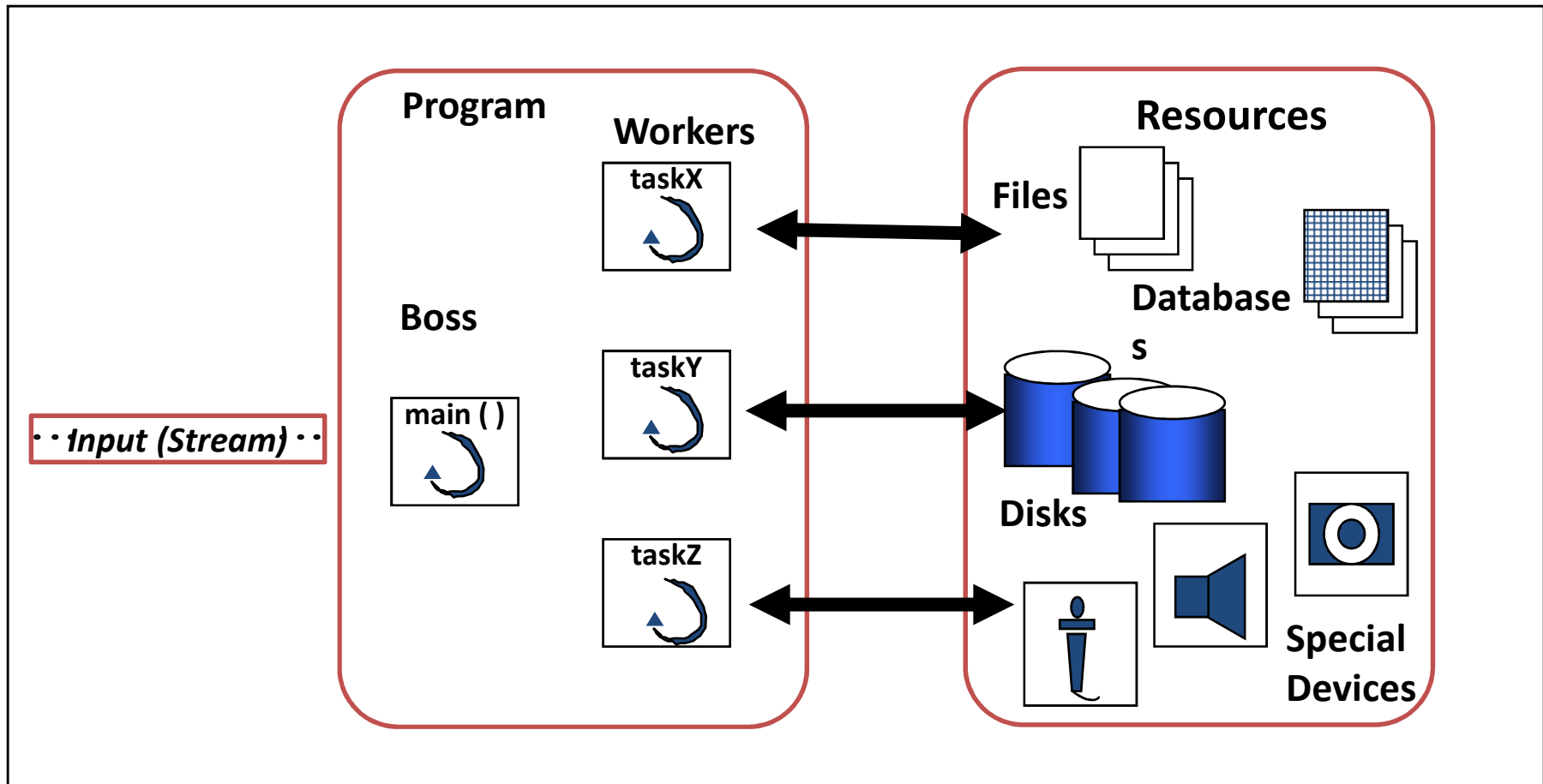
Outline

- Thread Programming Model
 - Boss/Worker, Peers, Pipeline
- Thread Pooling: Example : Manual
- **Implicit/Auto Thread Pooling: OpenMP/Cilk**
- **OpenMP**
- **Cilk**

Thread Programming models

- The boss/worker model
- The peer model
- A thread pipeline

The boss/worker model



Example

```
main() { /* the boss */
    do(1) {
        get a request;
        switch( request )
        case X: pthread_create(....,taskX);
        case Y: pthread_create(....,taskY);...
    }
}

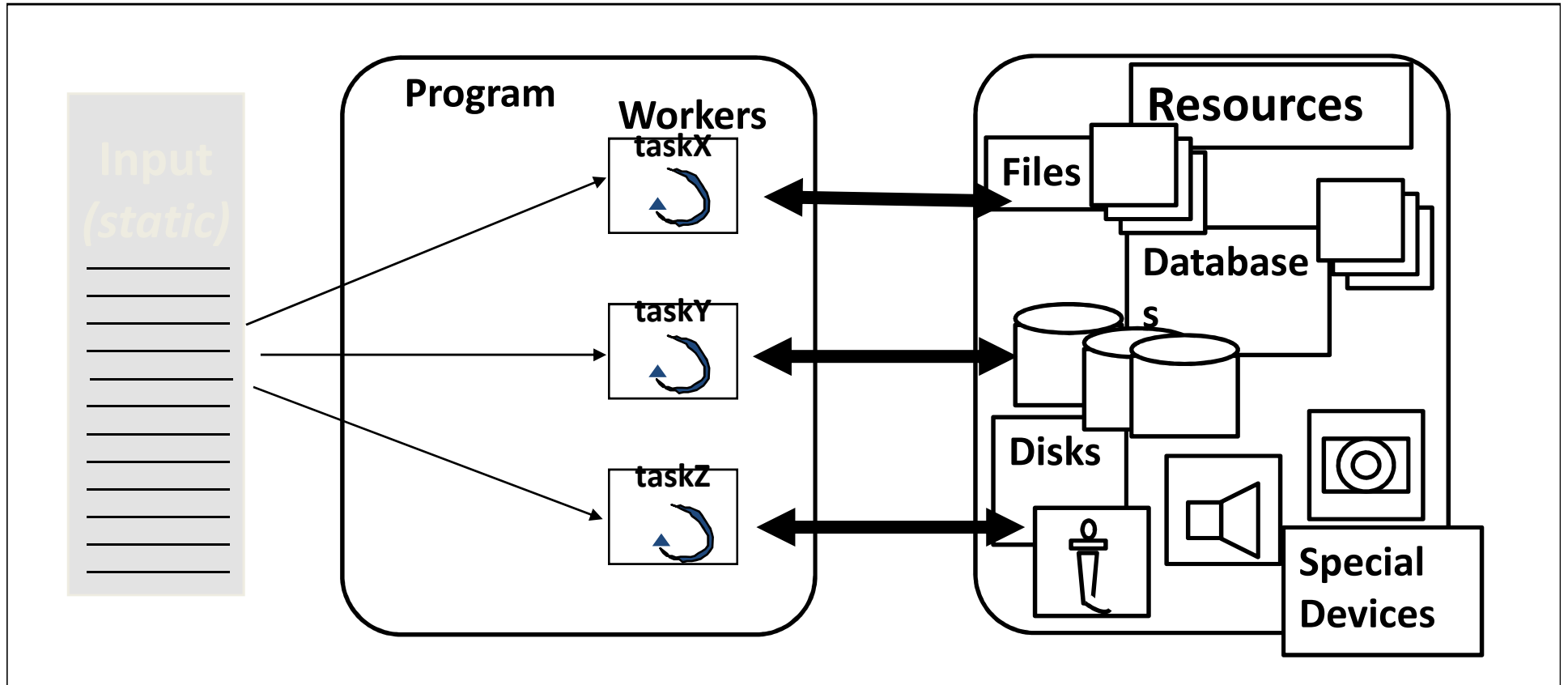
taskX(){/* worker */
    perform the task, sync if accessing shared
    resources
}

taskY(){/* worker */
    perform the task, sync if accessing shared
    resources
}
```

Example

- Above runtime overhead of creating thread
- Can be solved by **thread pool**
 - the boss thread creates all worker thread at program Initialization
 - and each worker thread suspends itself immediately for a wakeup call from boss

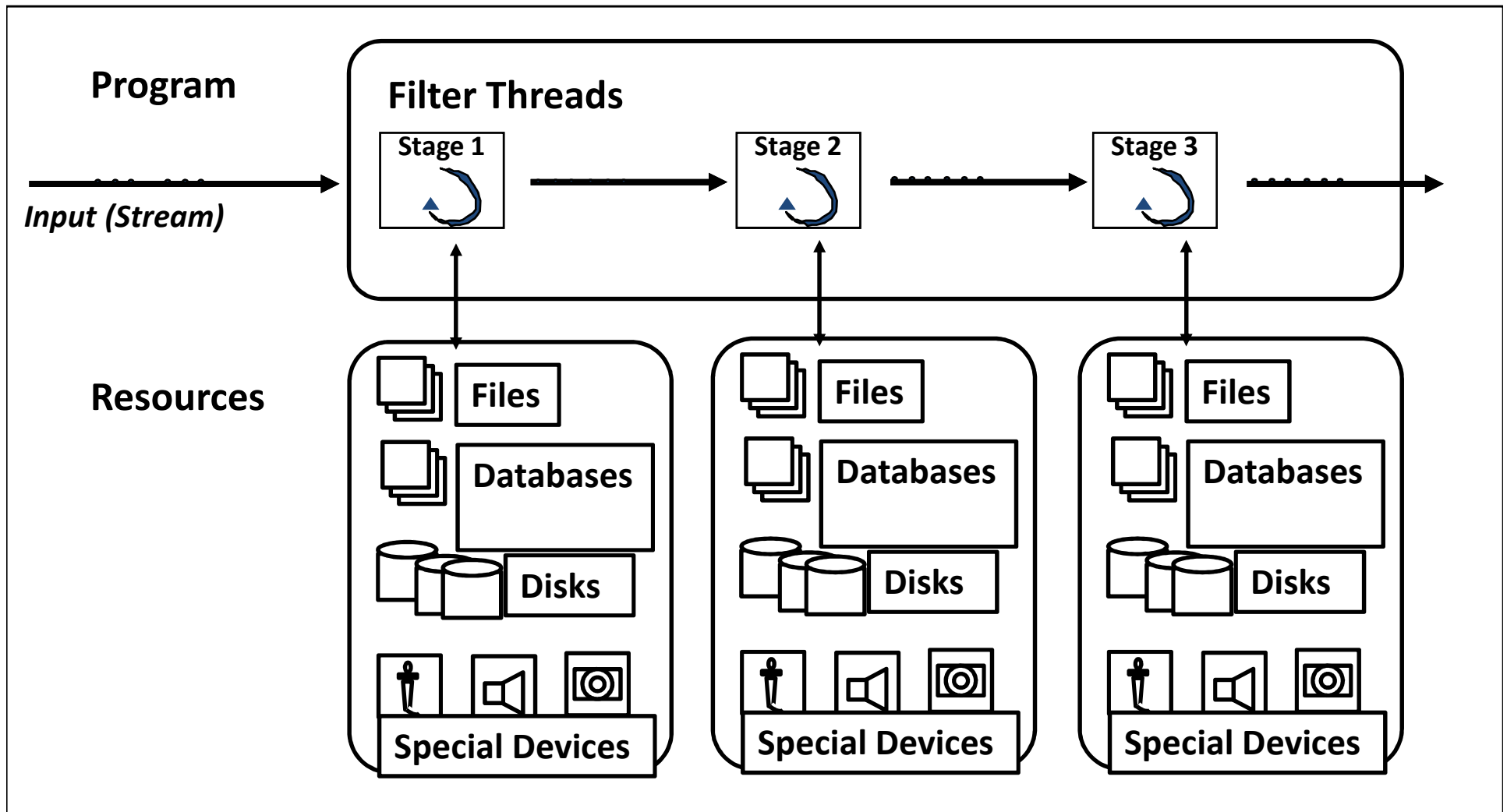
The peer model



Example

```
main () {  
    do (1) {  
        thread_create(...,thread1...task1);  
        thread_create(...,thread2...task2);  
        ....  
        signal all workers to start  
        wait for all workers to finish  
        do any cleanup  
    }  
}
```


A thread pipeline



Example

```
main() {  
    pthread_create(..., stage1);  
    pthread_create(..., stage2);  
    ....  
    wait for all pipeline threads to finish  
    do any cleanup  
}  
stage1() {  
    get next input for the program  
    do stage 1 processing of the input  
    pass result to next thread in pipeline  
}
```

Example

```
stage2() {  
    get input from previous thread in pipeline  
    do stage 2 processing of the input  
    pass result to next thread in pipeline  
}  
stageN()  
{  
    get input from previous thread in pipeline  
    do stage N processing of the input  
    pass result to program output.  
}
```

Thread Pooling

Thread Pool

- Initialized all threads/worker to wait for the task
- Thread pool : assign work to thread
- Thread goes to wait/sleep mode until they have don't have task
- Thread pool maintain a queue of task
- If any task comes, it will awake one thread if some thread is in sleep/wait mode

Thread Pool

```
class ThreadPool {
public:
    ThreadPool(); ~ThreadPool();
    ThreadPool( size_t threads );
    void initializeWithThreads( size_t threads );
    void schedule( const function<void()>& );
    //waits until threads have processed all tasks of Q.
    void wait() const;
private:
    vector<thread>                _workers;
    queue<function<void()>>       _taskQueue;
    atomic_uint                   _taskCount;
    mutex                         _mutex;
    condition_variable            _condition;
    atomic_bool                   _stop;
};
```

Thread Pool

```
ThreadPool::ThreadPool()  
    : _workers(), _taskQueue(), _taskCount( 0u ),  
      _mutex(), _condition(), _stop( false ) {}  
  
ThreadPool::ThreadPool( size_t threads ) : ThreadPool() {  
    initializeWithThreads( threads );  
}  
  
ThreadPool::~~ThreadPool() {  
    _stop = true;  
    _condition.notify_all();  
    for ( thread& w: _workers ) w.join();  
}
```

Thread Pool

```
void ThreadPool::InitWithThreads(size_t threads) {  
    for ( size_t i = 0; i < threads; i++ ) {  
        _workers.emplace_back([this]() -> void {  
            while (true) { function<void()> task;  
                { unique_lock<mutex> lock( _mutex );  
                    condition.wait(lock, _taskQueue.empty() || _stop);  
                    if (_stop && _taskQueue.empty()) return;  
                    task = move( _taskQueue.front() );  
                    _taskQueue.pop();  
                } //release lock  
                task(); _taskCount--; //atomic DEC  
            } //while  
        });  
    } //for & TP
```


Thread Pool

```
void ThreadPool::schedule( const
    function<void()>& task ) {
    unique_lock<mutex> lock( _mutex );
    _taskQueue.push( task );
    _taskCount++;
    _condition.notify_one();
}

void ThreadPool::wait() const {
    while ( _taskCount != 0u ) {
        this_thread::sleep_for(
            chrono::microseconds(1) );
    }
}
```

Thread Pool

```
void w1 () {cout<<"1\n";}  
void w2 () {cout<<"2\n";}  
void w3 () {cout<<"3\n";}  
int main() {  
    ThreadPool TP(4); //with 4 threads  
    for(int i=0;i<100;i++){int x=i%4;  
        switch (x) {  
            case 0: TP.schedule(w1);  
            case 1: TP.schedule(w2);  
            case 2: TP.schedule(w3);  
        }  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```

Implicit Threading

Example: OpenMP, TBB and Cilk

OpenMP

OpenMP

- Compiler directive: Automatic parallelization
- Auto generate thread and get synchronized

```
#include <openmp.h>
main() {
#pragma omp parallel
#pragma omp for schedule(static)
{
    for (int i=0; i<N; i++) {
        a[i]=b[i]+c[i];
    }
}
}
```

```
$ gcc -fopenmp test.c
```

```
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4
```

```
$/a.out
```

OpenMP: Parallelism

Sequential code

```
for (int i=0; i<N; i++)  
    a[i]=b[i]+c[i];
```

OpenMP: Parallelism

(Semi) manual parallel

```
#pragma omp parallel
{
    int id =omp_get_thread_num();
    int Nthr=omp_get_num_threads();
    int istart = id*N/Nthr
    int iend= (id+1)*N/Nthr;
    for (int i=istart;i<iend;i++) {
        a[i]=b[i]+c[i];
    }
}
```

OpenMP: Parallelism

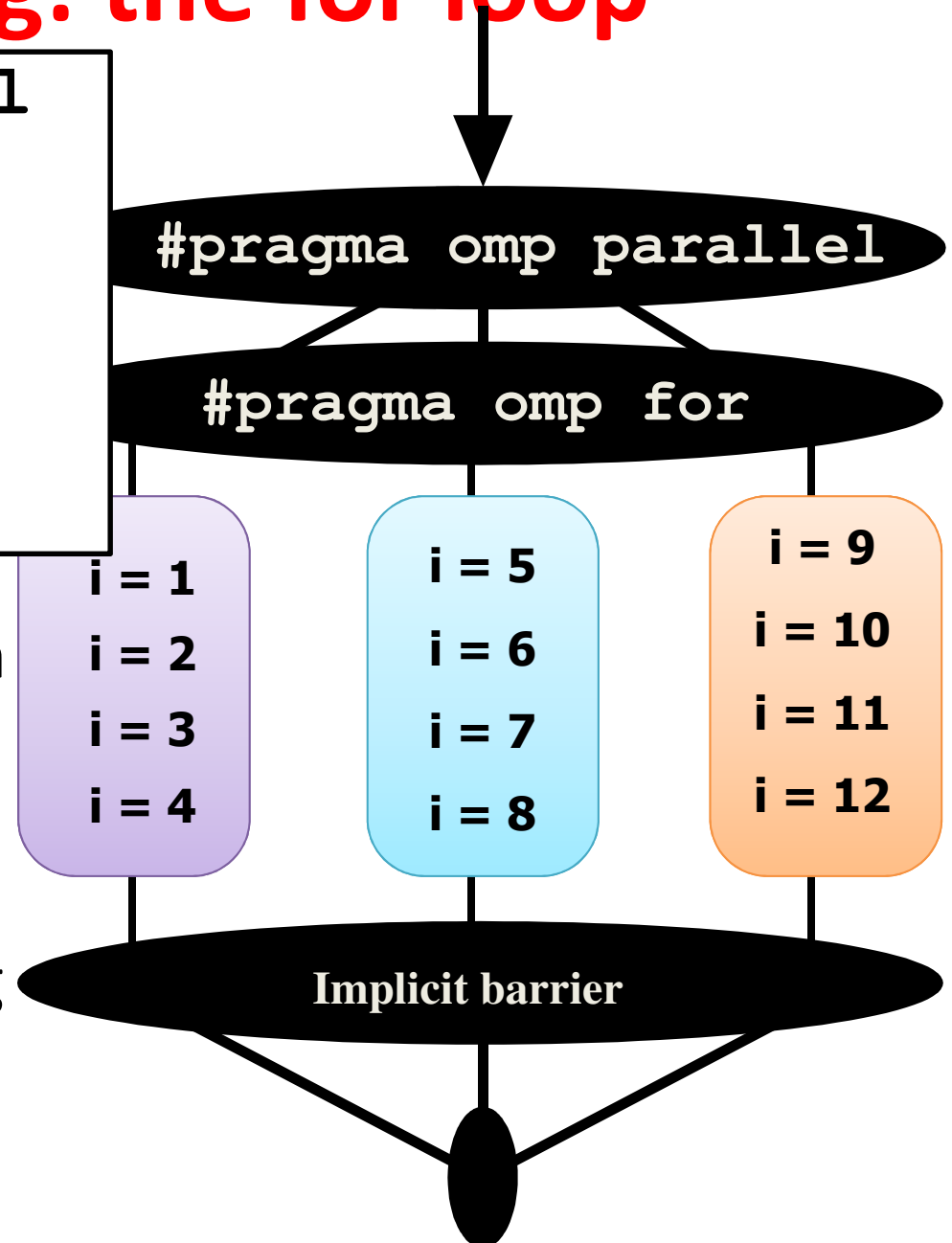
Auto parallel for loop

```
#pragma omp parallel
#pragma omp for schedule(static)
{
    for (int i=0; i<N; i++) {
        a[i]=b[i]+c[i];
    }
}
```


Work-sharing: the for loop

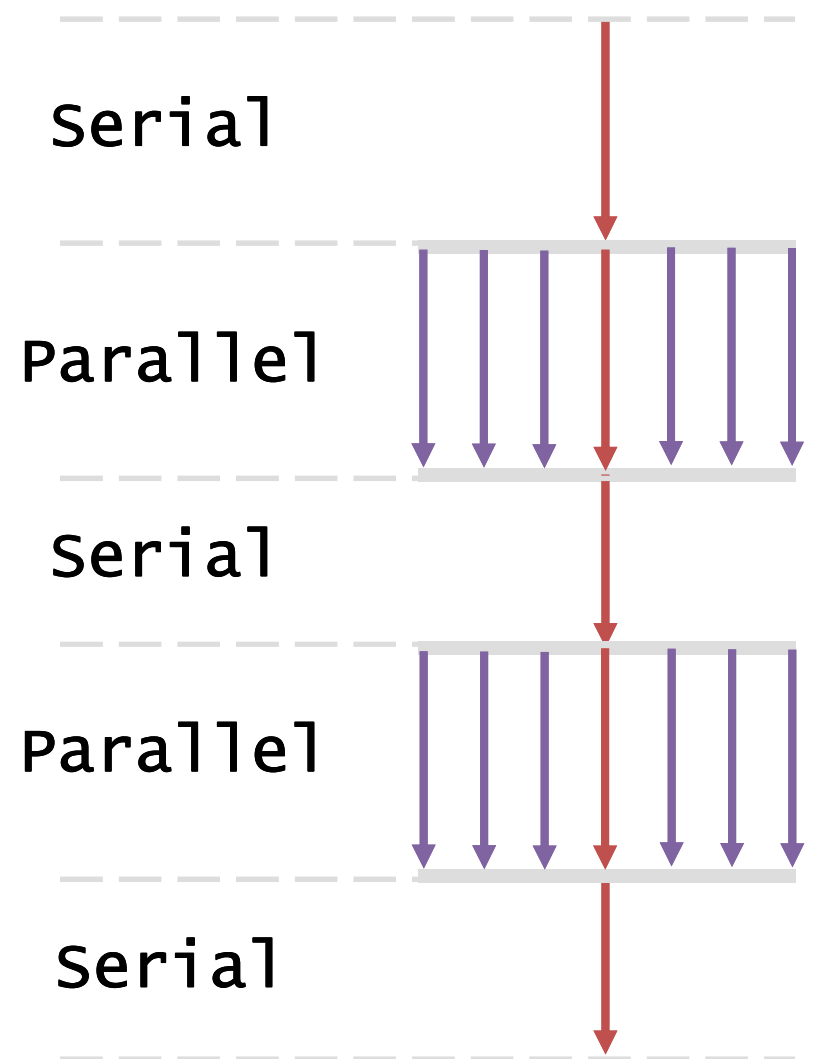
```
#pragma omp parallel
#pragma omp for
{
    for (i=1; i<13; i++)
        c[i]=a[i]+b[i];
}
```

- Threads are assigned an independent set of iterations
- Threads must wait at the end of work-sharing construct



OpenMP Fork-and-Join model

```
printf("begin\n");  
N = 1000;  
  
#pragma omp parallel for  
for (i=0; i<N; i++)  
    A[i] = B[i] + C[i];  
  
M = 500;  
  
#pragma omp parallel for  
for (j=0; j<M; j++)  
    p[j] = q[j] - r[j];  
  
printf("done\n");
```



AutoMutex: Critical Construct

```
sum = 0;
#pragma omp parallel private (lsum)
{
    lsum = 0;
    #pragma omp for
    for (i=0; i<N; i++) {
        lsum = lsum + A[i];
    }
    #pragma omp critical
    { sum += lsum; }
}
```


Threads wait their turn;
only one thread at a time
executes the critical section



Reduction Clause

Shared variable

```
sum = 0;  
#pragma omp parallel for reduction (+:sum)  
{  
    for (i=0; i<N; i++) {  
        sum = sum + A[i];  
    }  
}
```



OpenMP Schedule

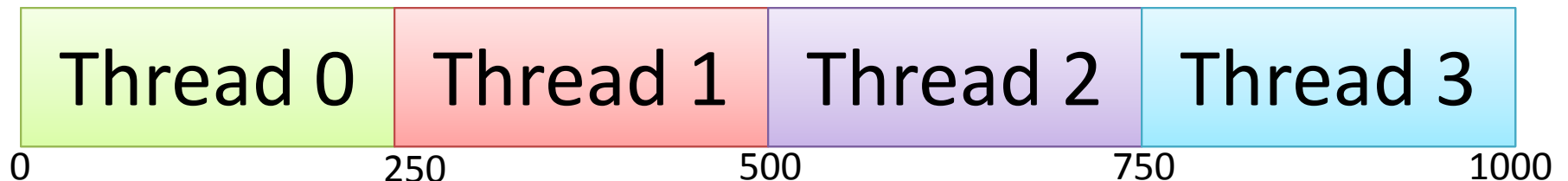
- Can help OpenMP decide how to handle parallelism

`schedule(type [,chunk])`

- **Schedule Types**
 - **Static** – Iterations divided into size chunk, if specified, and statically assigned to threads
 - **Dynamic** – Iterations divided into size chunk, if specified, and dynamically scheduled among threads

Static Schedule

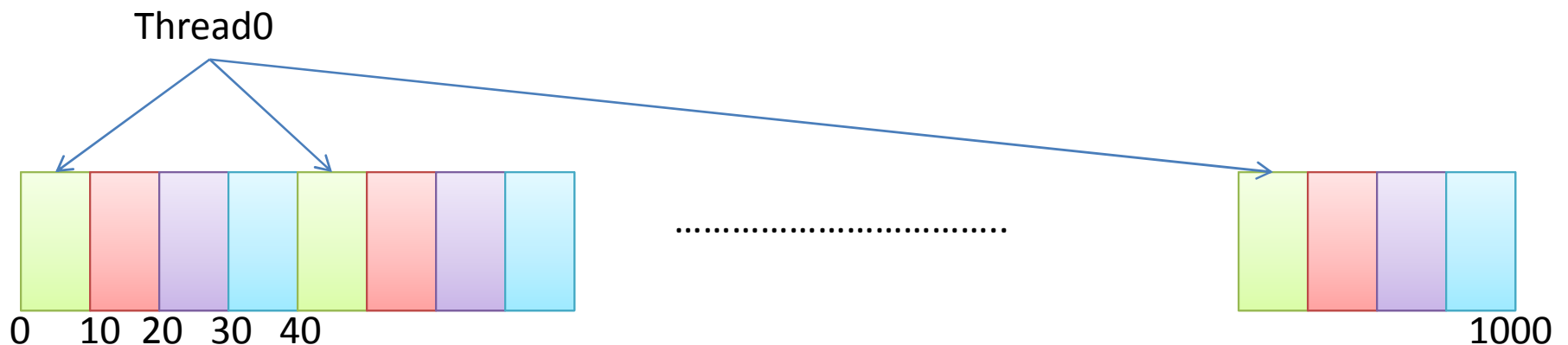
- Although the OpenMP standard does not specify how a loop should be partitioned
- Most compilers split the loop in N/p (N #iterations, p #threads) chunks by default.
- This is called a static schedule (with chunk size N/p)
 - *For example, suppose we have a loop with 1000 iterations and 4 omp threads. The loop is partitioned as follows:*



Static Schedule with chunk

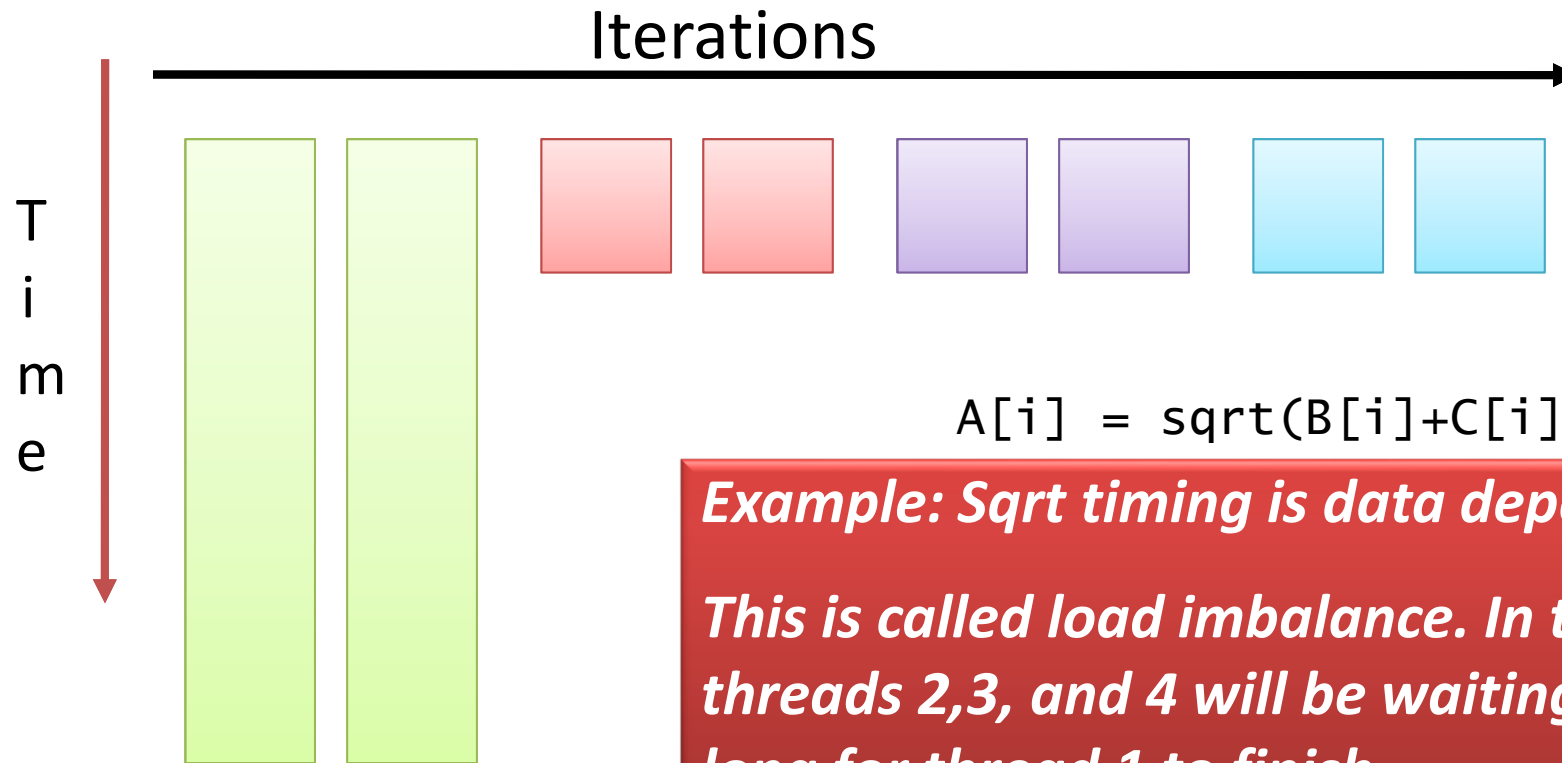
- A loop with 1000 iterations and 4 omp threads. Static Schedule with Chunk 10

```
#pragma omp parallel for schedule (static, 10)
{
  for (i=0; i<1000; i++)
    A[i] = B[i] + C[i];
}
```



Issues with Static schedule

- With static scheduling the number of iterations is evenly distributed among all openmp threads (i.e. Every thread will be assigned similar number of iterations).
- This is not always the best way to partition. Why is This?



Example: Sqrt timing is data dependent...

This is called load imbalance. In this case threads 2,3, and 4 will be waiting very long for thread 1 to finish

Dynamic Schedule

- With a dynamic schedule new chunks are assigned to threads when they come available.
- SCHEDULE(DYNAMIC,n)
 - Loop iterations are divided into pieces of size chunk. When a thread finishes one chunk, it is dynamically assigned another.

Dynamic Schedule

- SCHEDULE(GUIDED,n)
 - Similar to DYNAMIC but chunk size is relative to number of iterations left.
- Although Dynamic scheduling might be the preferred choice to prevent load imbalance
 - In some situations, there is a significant overhead involved compared to static scheduling.

More Examples on OpenMP

- <http://users.abo.fi/mats/PP2012/examples/OpenMP/>

CS528

Cilk

Slides are adopted from

<http://supertech.csail.mit.edu/cilk/>
Charles E. Leiserson

A Sahu

Dept of CSE, IIT Guwahati

Cilk

- Developed by **Leiserson at CSAIL, MIT**
 - **Chapter 27, Multithreaded Algorithm, Introduction to Algorithm, Coreman, Leiserson and Rivest**
- Initiated a startup: Cilk Plus
 - Added Cilk_for Keyword, Cilk Reduction features
 - Acquired by Intel, Intel uses Cilk Scheduler
- Addition of 6 keywords to standard C
 - Easy to install in linux system
 - With gcc and pthread

Cilk

- In 2008, ACM SIGPLAN awarded **Best influential paper of Decade**
 - **The Implementation of the Cilk-5 Multithreaded Language**, PLDI 1998
- PLDI 2008 Best paper Award
 - Reducers and Other Cilk++ Hyperobjects , PLDI 2008

Cilk : Biggest principle

- Programmer should be responsible for
 - Exposing the parallelism,
 - Identifying elements that can safely be executed in parallel
- Work of run-time environment (scheduler) to
 - Decide during execution how to actually divide the work between processors
- Work Stealing Scheduler
 - Proved to be good scheduler
 - Now also in GCC, Intel CC, **Intel acquire Cilk++**

Fibonacci

```
int fib (int n) {  
  if (n<2) return (n);  
  else {  
    int x,y;  
    x = fib(n-1);  
    y = fib(n-2);  
    return (x+y);  
  }  
}
```

C elision

Cilk code

```
cilk int fib (int n) {  
  if (n<2) return (n);  
  else {  
    int x,y;  
    x = spawn fib(n-1);  
    y = spawn fib(n-2);  
    sync;  
    return (x+y);  
  }  
}
```

Cilk is a *faithful* extension of C. A Cilk program's *serial elision* is always a legal implementation of Cilk semantics. Cilk provides *no* new data types.

Basic Cilk Keywords

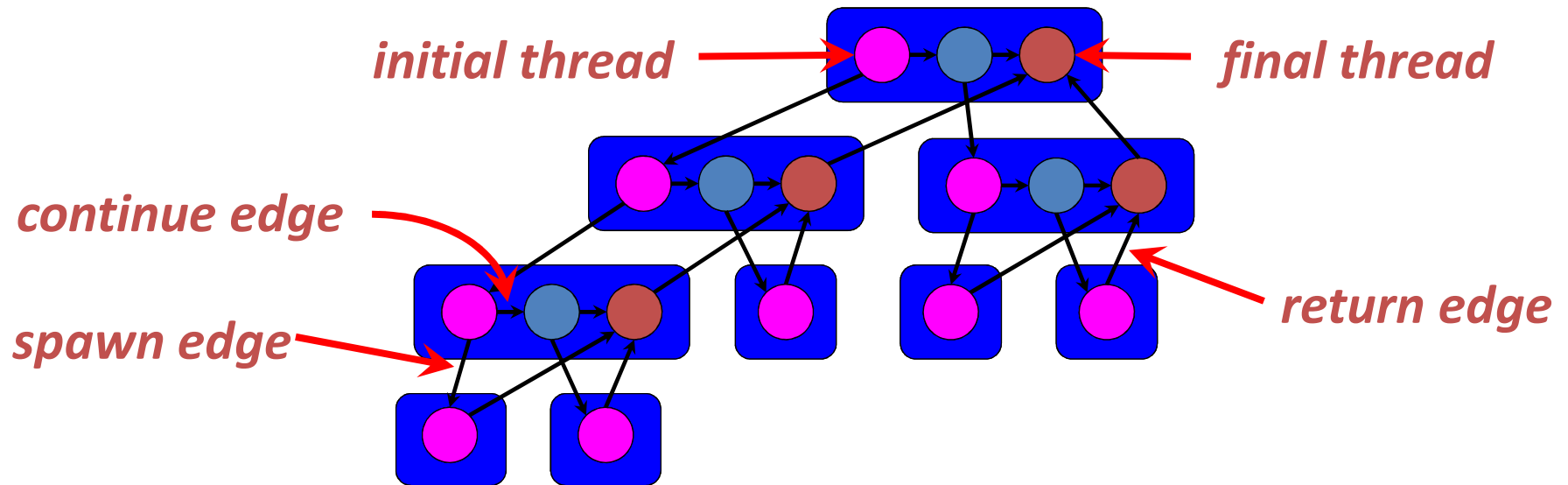
```
cilk int fib (int n) {  
    if (n<2) return (n);  
    else {  
        int x,y;  
        x = spawn fib(n-1);  
        y = spawn fib(n-2);  
        sync;  
        return (x+y);  
    }  
}
```

Identifies a function as a *Cilk procedure*, capable of being spawned in parallel.

The named *child* Cilk procedure can execute in parallel with the *parent* caller.

Control cannot pass this point until all spawned children have returned.

Multithreaded Computation



- The dag $G = (V, E)$ represents a parallel instruction stream.
- Each vertex $v \in V$ represents a *(Cilk) thread*: a maximal sequence of instructions not containing parallel control (**spawn**, **sync**, **return**).
- Every edge $e \in E$ is either a *spawn* edge, a *return* edge, or a *continue* edge.

Fib: Cilk++ Version

```
int fib(int n) {  
    if (n < 2) return n;  
    int x=cilk_spawn fib(n-1);  
    int y = fib(n-2);  
    cilk_sync;  
    return x + y;  
}
```

