

Productive Programming in Chapel: A Computation-Driven Introduction

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Organizational Notes



Slides on the SC16 USB / website are early drafts

 Final slides are available at: http://chapel.cray.com/tmp/SC16 (first link: "Tutorial Files")

• Things up here on the table:

- Marketing Partner Network sign-ups
 - for using Cray accounts
- USBs with all tutorial content
 - for those who cannot access website above
- Quick reference sheet
 - also available online
- Chapel screen/glasses microfiber cloths
- Chapel stickers

Sometime today / shortly thereafter:

Please fill out the SC16 survey (available from our tutorial page)



What is Chapel?



Chapel: A productive parallel programming language

Goals:

- Support general parallel programming
- Make parallel programming at scale far more productive



Who Are We?

- Brad Chamberlain, technical lead
- Ben Albrecht
- Michael Ferguson
- Greg Titus
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Who Are You?



- Type of Institution / Position?
- Favorite Programming Languages / Models?
 - For fun? For work?
 - C? C++? Python? Java? Fortran? Matlab? R? ...?
 - MPI? SHMEM? UPC? CAF? OpenMP? CUDA? Spark? ...?
- Styles of Computations?



Our goals today



To teach you as much about Chapel as we can:

- What it is
- How to use it
- Hands-on experience: on laptops / on a Cray
- Current status / Future plans
- Chapel resources

To get your feedback on Chapel

- What aspects of it are attractive? Need improvement?
- What would make Chapel more useful / usable for you?



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- 8:40: Chapel Background + Overview
- 9:30: Installing, Resources, Hello world
- 10:00: Break
- 10:30: Base Language
- 11:00: Data Parallelism
- 11:30: Hands-on
- 12:00: Lunch
 - 1:30: Task Parallelism
 - 2:00: Locality
 - 2:30: Data Parallelism II: Domain Maps
 - 3:00: Break
 - 3:30: Hands-on II
 - 4:00: Q & A
 - 4:15: Grab-bag Topics
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Questions at this level?



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