Programmazione di Sistemi ~~Embedded e~~ Multicore

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Recap

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- OpenMP basics
- OpenMP scope

Parallel For

Parallel for

- Forks a team of threads to execute the following structured block.
- However, the structured block following the parallel for directive must be a for loop.
- Furthermore, with the parallel for directive the system parallelizes the for loop by dividing the iterations of the loop among the threads.

Trapezoid Example

```
h = (b-a)/n;
approx = (f(a) + f(b))/2.0;
for (i = 1; i <= n-1; i++)
   approx += f(a + i*h);
approx = h*approx;
```

```
   h = (b-a)/n;
   approx = (f(a) + f(b))/2.0;
#  pragma omp parallel for num_threads(thread_count) \
      reduction(+: approx)
   for (i = 1; i <= n-1; i++)
      approx += f(a + i*h);
   approx = h*approx;
```

Legal forms for parallelizable for statements

for (index = start ; index < end | index <= end | index >= end | index > end ; index++ | ++index | index-- | --index | index += incr | index -= incr | index = index + incr | index = incr + index | index = index - incr)

Why? It allows the runtime system to determine the number of iterations prior to the execution of the loop

Caveats

- The variable index must have integer or pointer type (e.g., it can't be a float).
- The expressions start, end, and incr must have a compatible type. For example, if index is a pointer, then incr must have integer type.
- The expressions start, end, and incr must not change during execution of the loop.
- During execution of the loop, the variable index can only be modified by the "increment expression" in the for statement.

examples

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
   if (…) break;    //cannot be parallelized
}
```

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
   if (…) return 1; //cannot be parallelized
}
```

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
   if (…) exit();    //can be parallelized
}
```

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
   if (…) i++;    //CANNOT be parallelized
}
```

Questions?

Example: Odd-Even Sort

Odd-Even Sort

This might fork/join new threads everytime it is called (depends on the implementation)

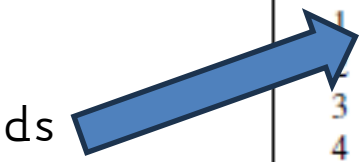
If it does so, we would have some **overhead**

Can we just create the threads at the beginning (before line 1)?

```
1     for (phase = 0; phase < n; phase++) {
2        if (phase % 2 == 0)
3  #        pragma omp parallel for num_threads(thread_count) \
4              default(none) shared(a, n) private(i, tmp)
5           for (i = 1; i < n; i += 2) {
6              if (a[i-1] > a[i]) {
7                 tmp = a[i-1];
8                 a[i-1] = a[i];
9                 a[i] = tmp;
10             }
11          }
12       else
14 #        pragma omp parallel for num_threads(thread_count) \
15             default(none) shared(a, n) private(i, tmp)
15          for (i = 1; i < n-1; i += 2) {
16             if (a[i] > a[i+1]) {
17                tmp = a[i+1];
18                a[i+1] = a[i];
19                a[i] = tmp;
20             }
21          }
22    }
```

Odd-Even Sort

Fork threads only here



```
1  #  pragma omp parallel num_threads(thread_count) \
2        default(none) shared(a, n) private(i, tmp, phase)
3     for (phase = 0; phase < n; phase++) {
4        if (phase % 2 == 0)
5  #        pragma omp for
6           for (i = 1; i < n; i += 2) {
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20             }
21          }
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Odd-Even Sort

Table 5.2 Odd-Even Sort with Two `parallel for` Directives and Two `for` Directives (times are in seconds)

thread_count	1	2	3	4
Two `parallel for` directives	0.770	0.453	0.358	0.305
Two `for` directives	0.732	0.376	0.294	0.239

Reusing the same threads provide faster execution times

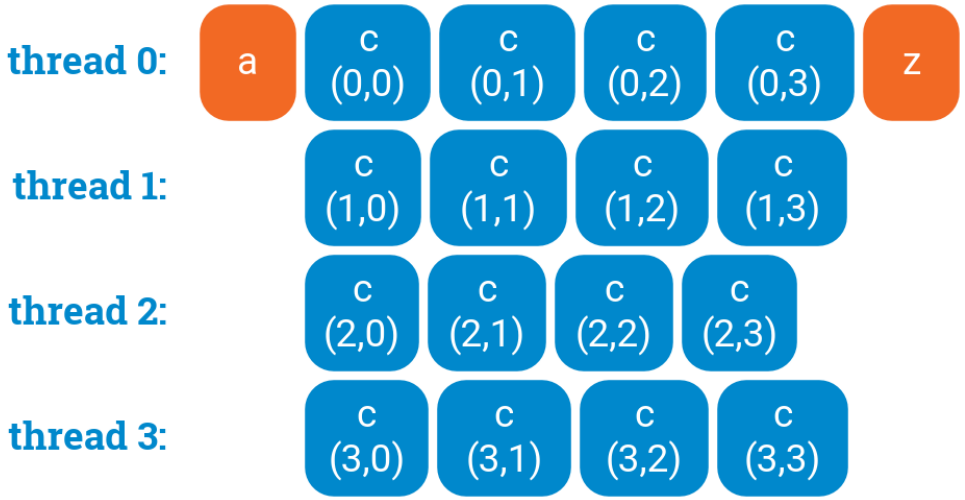
Questions?

Nested Loops

Nested for loops

- If we have nested for loops, it is often enough to simply parallelize the outermost loop

```
a();
#pragma omp parallel for
for (int i = 0; i < 4; ++i) {
    for (int j = 0; j < 4; ++j) {
        c(i, j);
    }
}
z();
```



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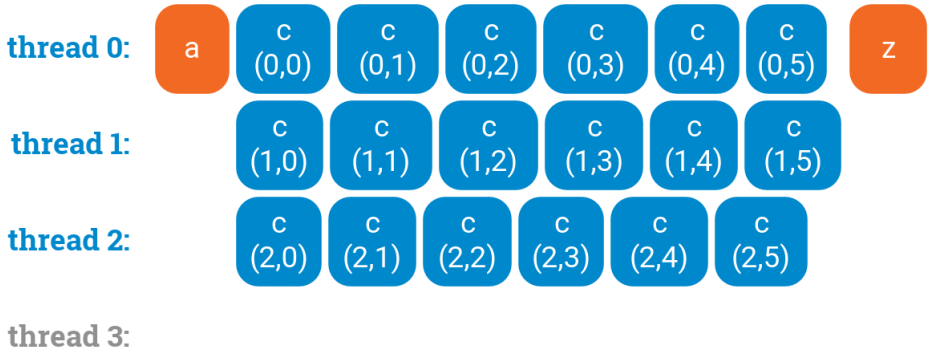
Nested for loops

- Sometimes the outermost loop is so short that not all threads are utilized:

3 iterations, so it won't have sense to start more than 3 threads

```
a();
#pragma omp parallel for
for (int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
    for (int j = 0; j < 6; ++j) {
        c(i, j);
    }
}
z();
```



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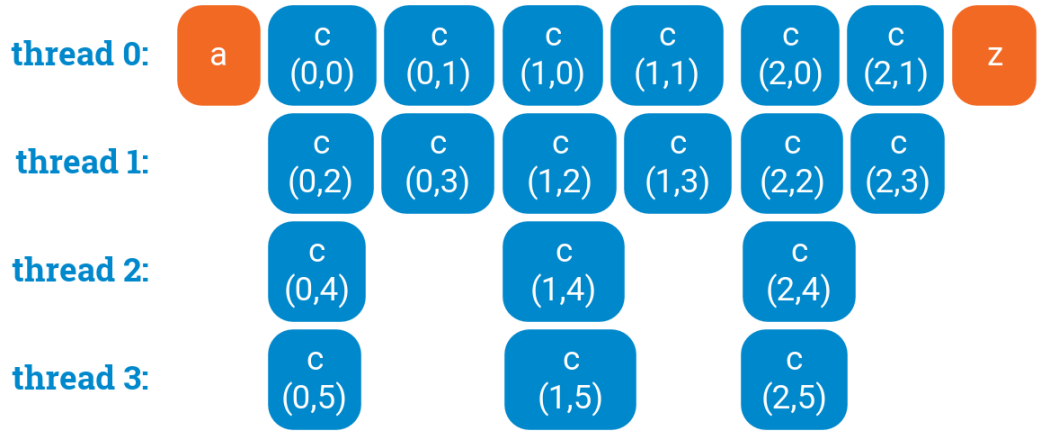
Nested for loops

- We could try to parallelize the inner loop, but there is no guarantee that the thread utilization is better

```
a();
for (int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
#pragma omp parallel for
    for (int j = 0; j < 6; ++j) {
        c(i, j);
    }
}
z();
```



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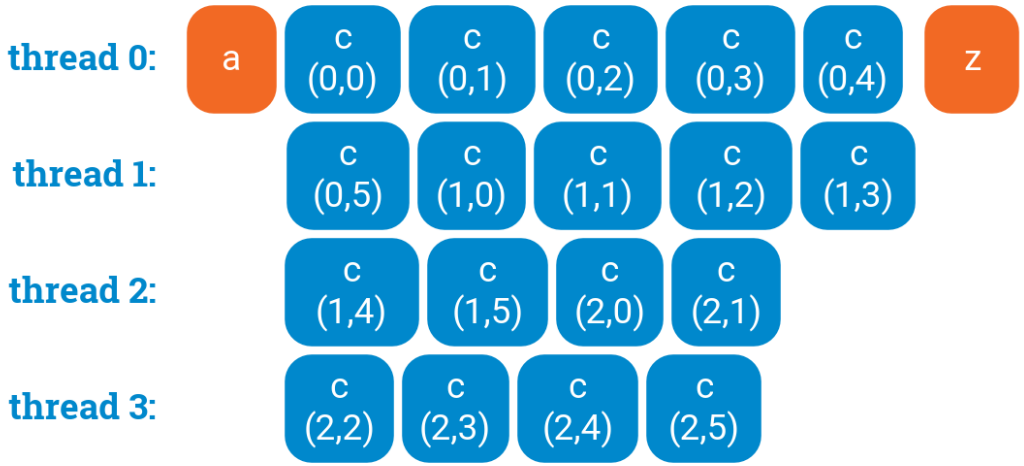
```
a();
#pragma omp parallel for
for (int ij = 0; ij < 3*6; ++ij) {
        c(ij / 6, ij % 6);
    }
}
z();
```



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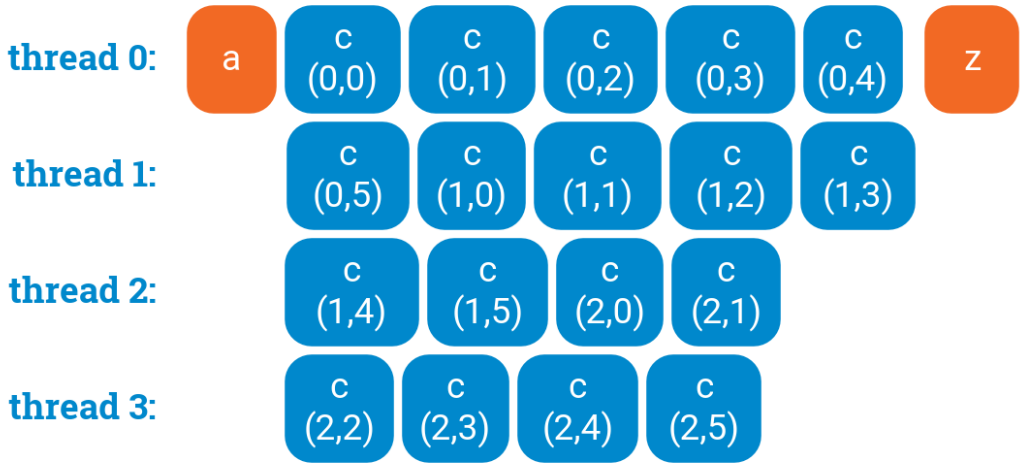
Nested for loops

- we can ask OpenMP to do it for us:

```
a();
#pragma omp parallel for
collapse(2)
for (int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
     for (int j = 0; j < 6; ++j)
        c(i, j);
}
z();
```



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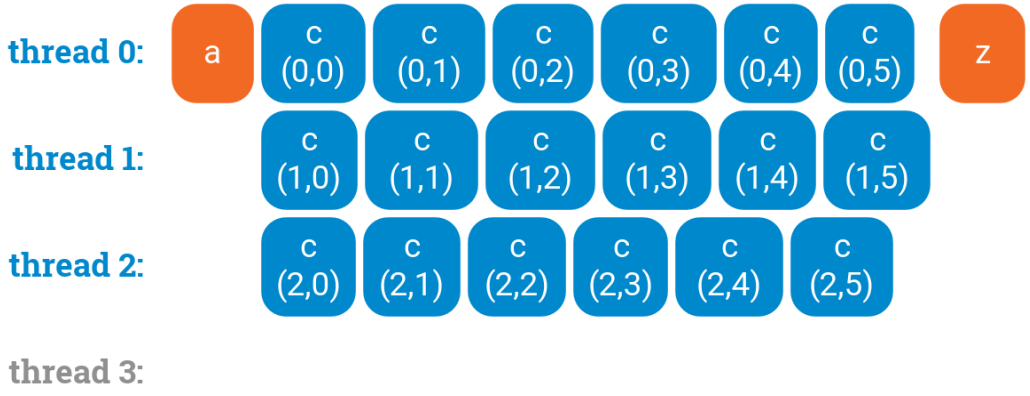
Nested for loops

- Wrong way: "Nested parallelism" is disabled in OpenMP by default (i.e., inner parallel for pragmas will be ignored)

```
a();
#pragma omp parallel for
for (int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
#pragma omp parallel for
    for (int j = 0; j < 6; ++j)
        c(i, j);
}
z();
```



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Nested for loops

- Wrong way: If "Nested parallelism" is enabled it will create 12 threads on a server with 4 cores (3*4)!

```
a();
#pragma omp parallel for
for (int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
#pragma omp parallel for
    for (int j = 0; j < 6; ++j)
        c(i, j);
}
z();
```

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Data Dependencies

Chapter 4.4.1 from “Multicore and GPU Programming An Integrated Approach”

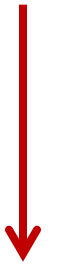
Data dependencies

```
fibo[ 0 ] = fibo[ 1 ] = 1;
for (i = 2; i < n; i++)
    fibo[ i ] = fibo[ i - 1 ] + fibo[ i - 2 ];
```

```
fibo[ 0 ] = fibo[ 1 ] = 1;
#pragma omp parallel for num_threads(2)
for (i = 2; i < n; i++)
    fibo[ i ] = fibo[ i - 1 ] + fibo[ i - 2 ];
```

1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 55

this is correct



but sometimes we get this

1 1 2 3 5 8 0 0 0 0

What happened?

1. OpenMP compilers don't check for dependences among iterations in a loop that's being parallelized with a parallel for directive.

2. A loop in which the results of one or more iterations depend on other iterations cannot, in general, be correctly parallelized by OpenMP. We say that we have a **loop-carried dependence**

Data dependencies

- Assuming we have a loop of the form:

```
for(i=...
{
   S1 : operate on a memory location x
   ...
   S2 : operate on a memory location x
}
```

- There are four different ways that S1 and S2 are connected, based on whether they are reading of writing to x.
- A problem exists if the dependence crosses loop iterations : loop-carried dependence.

Dependence Types

- Flow dependence : RAW

```
x = 10;              // S1
y = 2 * x + 5;       // S2
```

- Anti-flow dependence : WAR

```
y = x + 3;           // S1
x ++ ;               // S2
```

Dependence Types (cont.)

- Output dependence : WAW

```
x = 10;          // S1
x = x + c ;      // S2
```

- Input dependence : RAR (it's not an actual dependence)

```
y = x + c;       // S1
z = 2 * x + 1;   // S2
```

Questions?

Flow Dependence Removal (RAW)

Data Dependency Resolution

6 techniques:

1. reduction/induction variable fix
2. Loop skewing
3. Partial parallelization
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Flow Dependence : Reduction, Induction Variables

- Example:

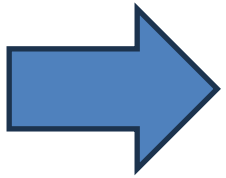
```
double v = start;
double sum=0;
for(int i = 0; i < N; i++)
{
    sum = sum + f(v);   // S1
    v = v + step;       // S2
}
```

- RAW (S1) caused by reduction variable sum.
- RAW (S2) caused by induction variable v (induction variable is a variable that gets increased/decreased by a constant amount at each iteration).
- RAW (S2->S1) caused by induction variable v.
- Induction variable: affine function of the loop variable.

N.B.: RAW are between the *i* and the *i+1* iterations. E.g., sum is **read** in the *(i+1)-th* iteration **after** being **written** in *i-th* iteration

Remove RAW (S2) and RAW (S2->S1)

```
double v = start;
double sum = 0;
for(int i = 0; i < N ; i++)
{
      sum = sum + f(v); // S1
      v = v + step;     // S2
}
```



```
double v;
double sum = 0;
for(int i = 0; i < N ; i++)
{
      v = start + i*step;
      sum = sum + f(v);
}
```

```
i = 0 -> v = start
i = 1 -> v = start + step
i = 2 -> v = (start + step) + step
...
```

Remove RAW (S1)

```
double v;
double sum =0;
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+ : sum) private(v)
for(int i = 0; i < N ; i++)
{
      v = start + i*step;
      sum = sum + f(v);
}
```

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Flow Dependence: Loop Skewing

- Another technique involves the rearrangement of the loop body statements. Example with :

```
for(int i = 1; i < N; i++)
{
    y[ i ] = f( x[ i-1 ] );    // S1
    x[ i ] = x[ i ] + c[ i ]; // S2
}
```

- RAW (S2->S1) on x
- Solution: make sure the statements that consume the calculated values that cause the dependence, use values generated during the same iteration.

Flow Dependence : Loop Skewing (2)

```
for(int i = 1; i < N; i++)
{
    y[ i ] = f( x[ i-1 ] );    // S1
    x[ i ] = x[ i ] + c[ i ]; // S2
}
```

```
y[ 1 ] = f( x[ 0 ] );
for(int i = 1; i < N - 1; i++)
{
    x[ i ] = x[ i ] + c[ i ];
    y[ i + 1 ] = f( x[ i ] );
}
x[ N - 1 ] = x[ N - 1 ] + c[ N - 1 ];
```

Flow Dependence: Loop Skewing (3)

- How to do loop skewing?
  - Hint: unroll the loop and see the repetition pattern

```
for (int i = 1; i< N; i++)
{
      y[i]= f(x[i-1]);
      x[i]= x[i]+c[i];
}
```

```
y[1]= f(x[0]);
x[1]= x[1]+c[1];
y[2]= f(x[1]);
x[2]= x[2]+c[2];
…
y[N-2]= f(x[N-3]);
x[N-2]= x[N-2]+ c[N-2];
y[N-1]= f(x[N-2]);
x[N-1]= x[N-1]+ c[N-1];
```

Flow Dependence: Loop Skewing (4)

- How to do loop skewing?
  - Hint: unroll the loop and see the repetition pattern

```
for (int i = 1; i< N; i++)
{
      y[i]= f(x[i-1]);
      x[i]= x[i]+c[i];
}
```

```
y[1]= f(x[0]);
x[1]= x[1]+c[1];
y[2]= f(x[1]);
x[2]= x[2]+c[2];
…
y[N-2]= f(x[N-3]);
x[N-2]= x[N-2]+ c[N-2];
y[N-1]= f(x[N-2]);
x[N-1]= x[N-1]+ c[N-1];
```

Flow Dependence: Loop Skewing (5)

- How to do loop skewing?
  - Hint: unroll the loop and see the repetition pattern

```
y[1]= f(x[0]);
for (int i = 1; i< N-1; i++)
{
      x[i]= x[i]+c[i];
      y[i+1]= f(x[i]);
}
x[N-1]= x[N-1]+ c[N-1];
```

```
y[1]= f(x[0]);
x[1]= x[1]+c[1];
y[2]= f(x[1]);
x[2]= x[2]+c[2];
…
y[N-2]= f(x[N-3]);
x[N-2]= x[N-2]+ c[N-2];
y[N-1]= f(x[N-2]);
x[N-1]= x[N-1]+ c[N-1];
```

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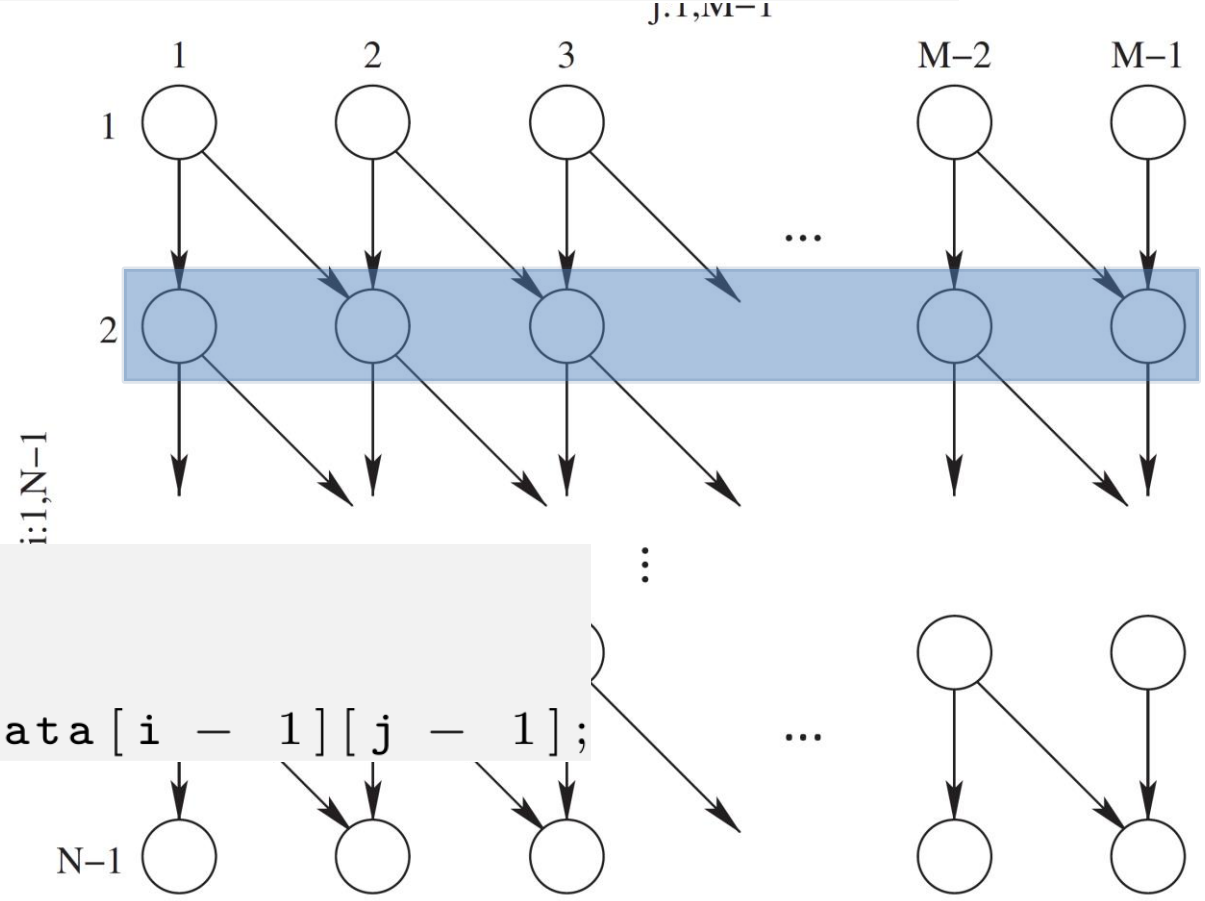
Iteration Space Dependency Graph

- **ISDG** is made up of nodes that represent an single execution of the loop body, and edges that represent dependencies.
- Example:

```
for (int i = 1; i < N; i++)
  for (int j = 1; j < M; j++)
    data[i][j] = data[i - 1][j] + data[i - 1][j - 1];
```



No edges/dependencies between nodes on the same row.
I.e., we can parallelize the j-loop

```
for (int i = 1; i < N; i++)
#pragma omp parallel for
    for (int j = 1; j < M; j++)
      data[i][j] = data[i - 1][j] + data[i - 1][j - 1];
```

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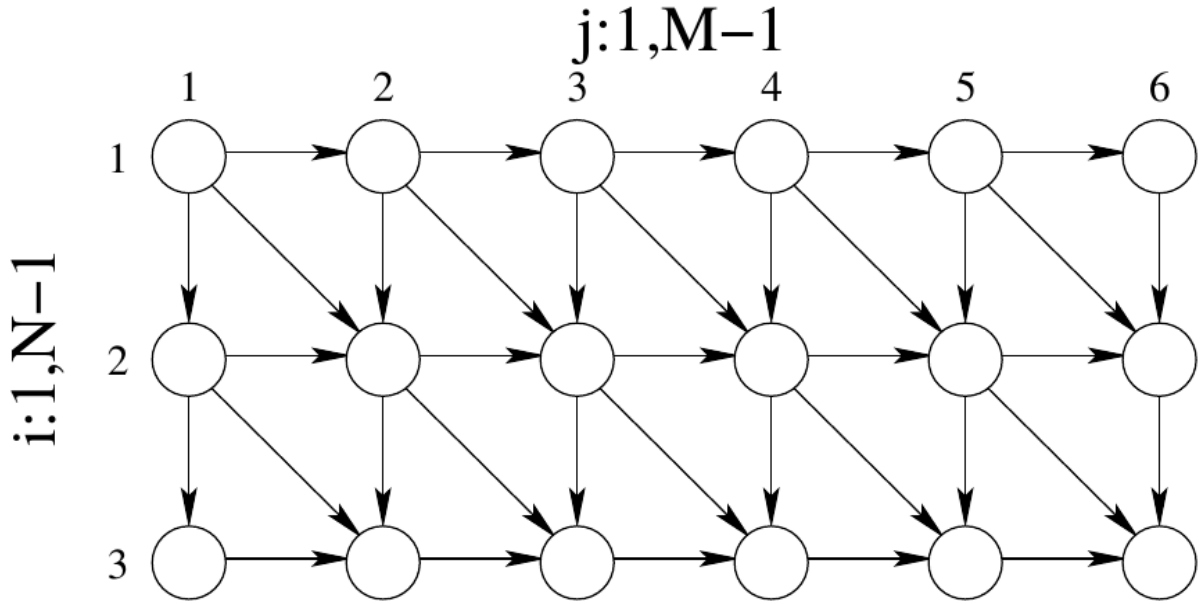
Flow Dependencies: Refactoring

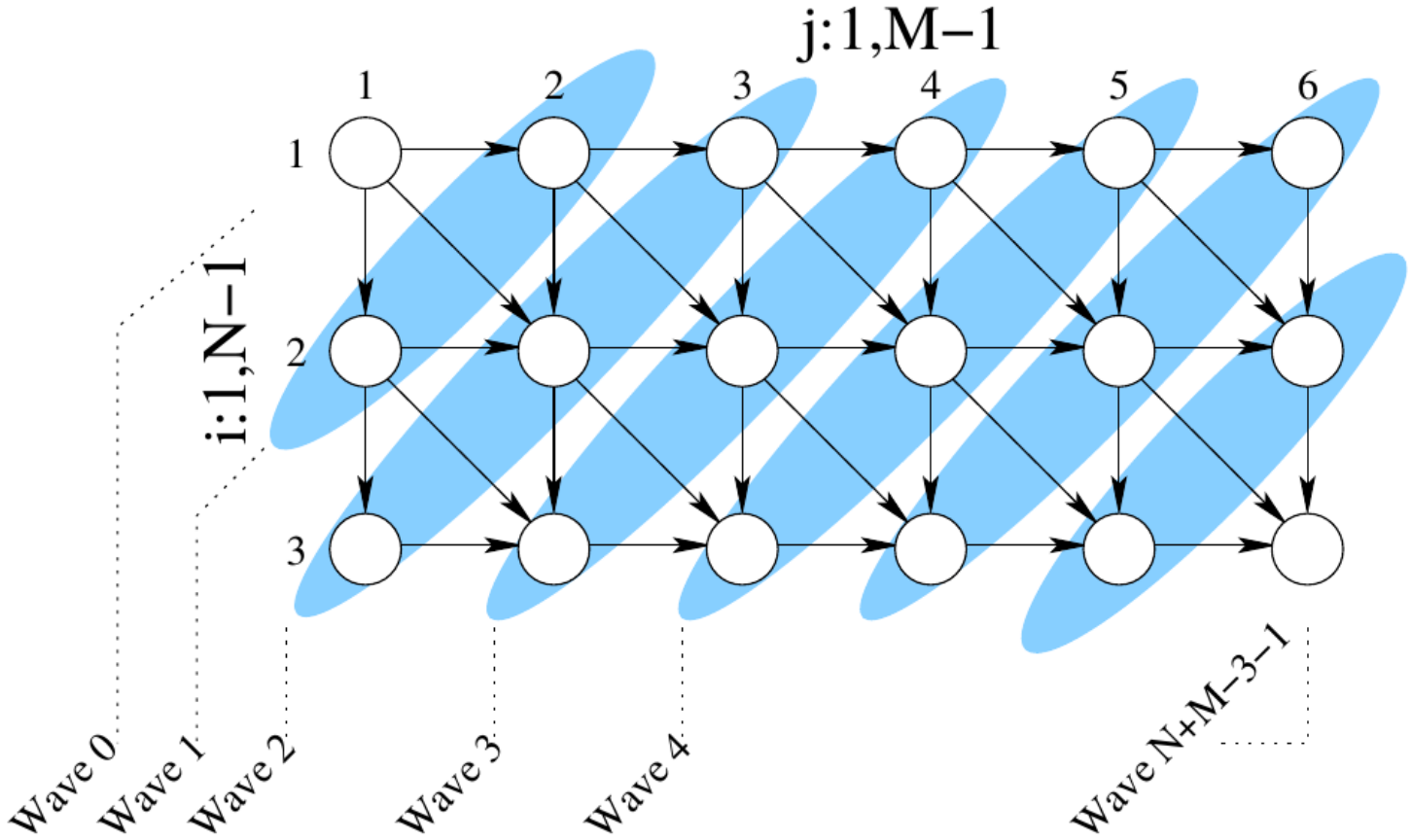
- Refactoring refers to rewriting of the loop(s) so that parallelism can be exposed.
- The ISDG for the following example:

```
for (int i = 1; i < N; i++)
  for (int j = 1; j < M; j++)
    data[i][j] = data[i - 1][j] + data[i][j - 1] + data[i - 1][↩
        j - 1];  // S1
```

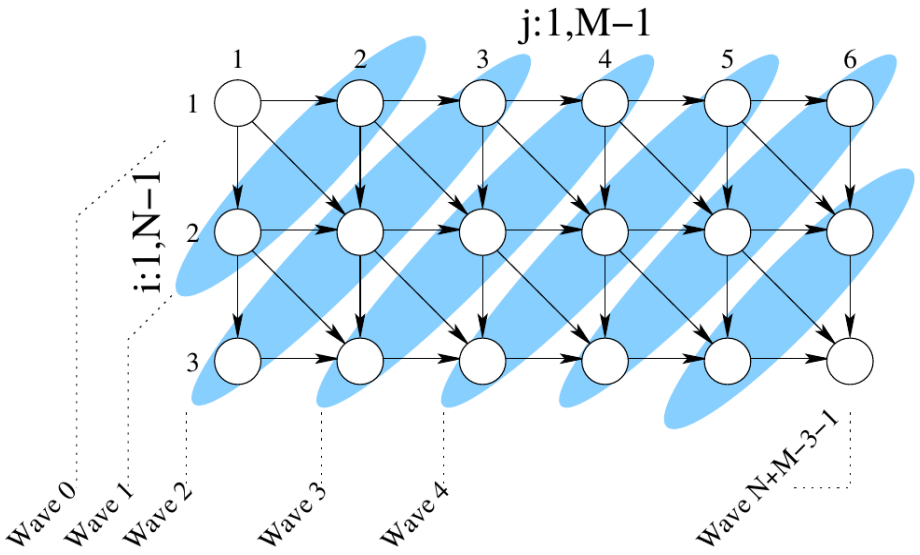


Flow Dependencies: Refactoring (2)

- Diagonal sets can be executed in parallel (no edges/dependencies between nodes in the same diagonal set):



Flow Dependencies: Refactoring (3)




```
for(wave=0 wave<NumWaves; wave++) {
  diag=F(wave);
  #pragma omp parallel for
  for(k=0; k<diag; k++) {
     int i = get_i(diag, k);
     int j = get_j(diag, k);
     data[i][j] = data[i-1][j] + data[i][j-1] + data[i-1][j-1];
   }
}
```

(Intuition, full code on the book)

The execution in waves requires a change of loop variables from the original *i* and *j*.

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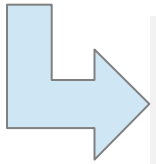
Flow Dependencies : Fissioning

Fissioning means breaking the loop apart into a sequential and a parallelizable part.
Example:

```
s = b[ 0 ];
for (int i = 1; i < N; i++)
{
    a[ i ] = a [ i ] + a[ i - 1 ];   // S1
    s = s + b[ i ];
}
```



```
// sequential part
for (int i = 1; i < N; i++)
    a[ i ] = a [ i ] + a[ i - 1 ];

// parallel part
s = b[ 0 ];
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+ : s)
for (int i = 1; i < N; i++)
    s = s + b[ i ];
```

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Flow Dependencies: Algorithm Change

- If everything else fails, switching the algorithm maybe the answer.
- For example, the Fibonacci sequence:

```
for(int i = 2 ; i < N; i++)
{
  int x =  F[i-2]; // S1
  int y =  F[i-1]; // S2
  F[i] =  x + y;   // S3
}
```

can be parallelized via Binet's formula:

$$F_n = \frac{\varphi^n - (1-\varphi)^n}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Questions?

Antidependence Removal (WAR)

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- E.g.:

```
for(int i = 0; i < N-1; i++)
{
  a[ i ] = a[ i + 1 ] + c;
}
```

- Simple solution, make a copy of a before starting to modify it:

```
for(int i = 0; i < N-1; i++)
{
  a2[ i ] = a[ i + 1 ];
}

#pragma omp parallel for
for(int i = 0; i < N-1; i++)
{
  a[ i ] = a2[ i ] + c;
}
```

- ATTENTION: Space and time tradeoffs must be carefully evaluated!

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- E.g.:

```
for(int i = 0; i < N; i++)
{
    y[i] = a * x[i] + c; // S1
    d = fabs( y[i] );    // S2
}
```

- Where is the WAW dependency?
  - On variable d.
- How to guarantee that at the end of the execution the computed d is the one computed in the last iteration?

```
#pragma omp parallel for shared( a, c ) lastprivate( d )
for(int i = 0; i < N; i++)
{
    y[i] = a * x[i] + c;
    d = fabs( y[i] );
}
```

Questions?

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