

OPENACC: MORE SCIENCE LESS PROGRAMMING

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OPENACC DIRECTIVES ARE DESIGNED FOR

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Scientists to
help do
**more science
and less
programming**

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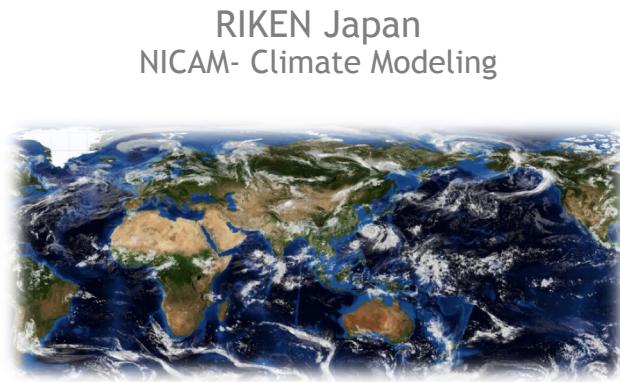
**Performance
portability** on
CPUs, GPUs
and other
platforms

OpenACC

Simple | Powerful | Portable

Fueling the Next Wave of
Scientific Discoveries in HPC

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main()
{
    <serial code>
    #pragma acc kernels
    //automatically runs on GPU
    {
        <parallel code>
    }
}
```



7-8x Speed-Up
5% of Code Modified

University of Illinois
PowerGrid- MRI Reconstruction



70x Speed-Up
2 Days of Effort

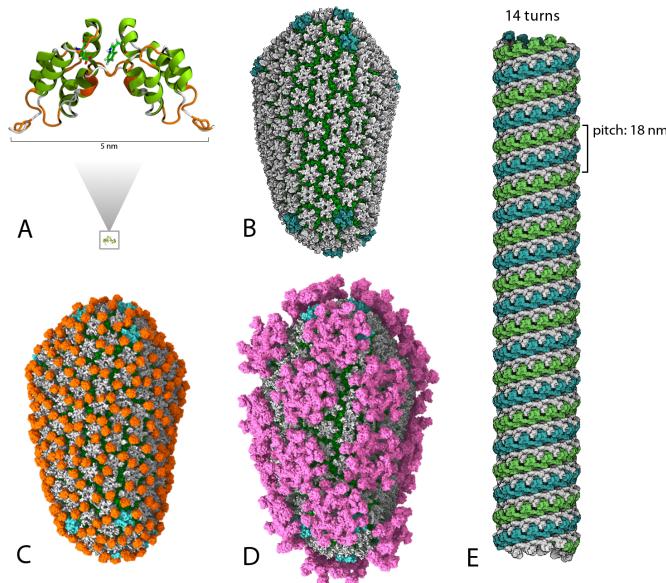
8000+
Developers
using OpenACC

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University of Delaware
Accelerating Chemical Shift of
Protein Structures



67x Speed-Up
14 months effort

Undergraduate students with
minimum parallel programming
background



OPENACC DIRECTIVES

```
Manage Data Movement → #pragma acc data copyin(a,b) copyout(c)  
{  
...  
Initiate Parallel Execution → #pragma acc parallel  
{  
#pragma acc loop gang vector  
for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) {  
z[i] = x[i] + y[i];  
...  
Optimize Loop Mappings → } ...  
}  
}
```

- Incremental
- Single source
- Interoperable
- Performance portable
- CPU, GPU, MIC

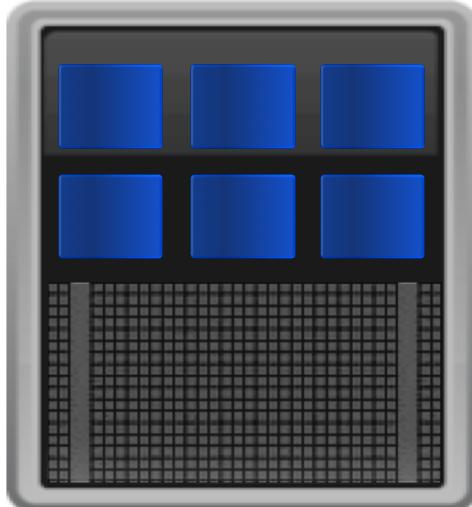
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Directives for Accelerators

ACCELERATED COMPUTING

10X PERFORMANCE & 5X ENERGY EFFICIENCY FOR HPC

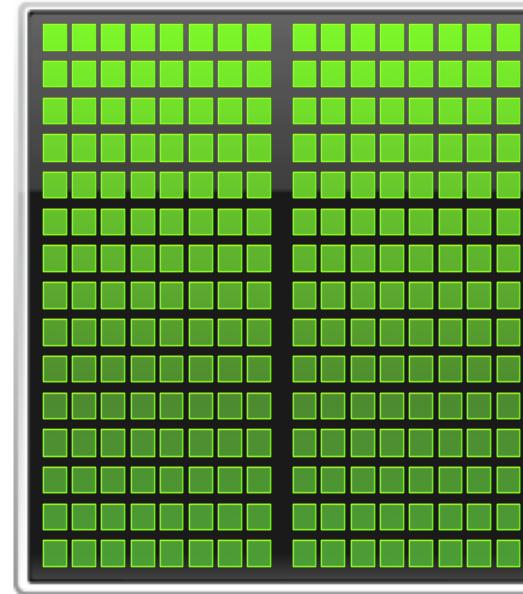
CPU

Optimized for
Serial Tasks

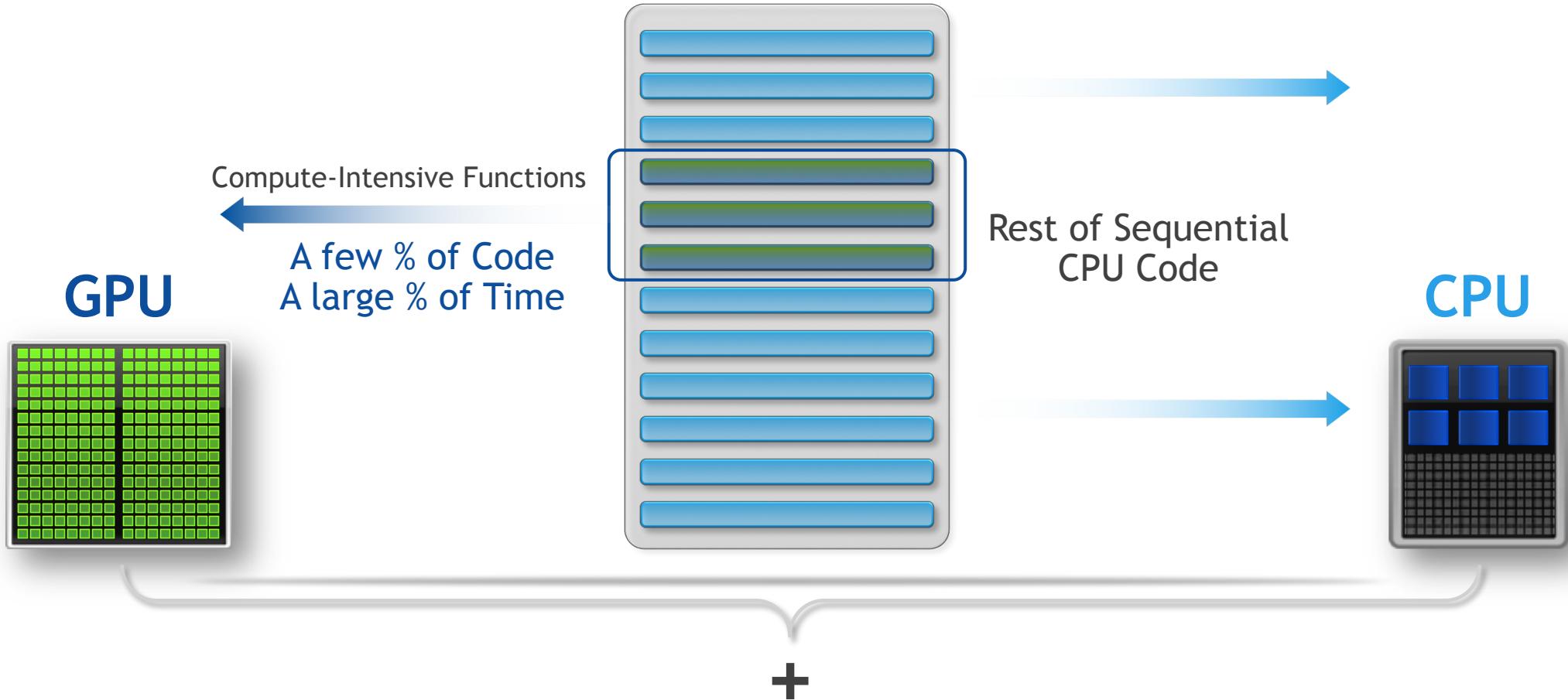


GPU Accelerator

Optimized for
Parallel Tasks



WHAT IS HETEROGENEOUS PROGRAMMING?



PORTABILITY & PERFORMANCE

Portability



Performance

- Accelerated Libraries
- High performance with little or no code change
- Limited by what libraries are available
- Compiler Directives
- High Level: Based on existing languages; simple, familiar, portable
- High Level: Performance may not be optimal
- Parallel Language Extensions
- Greater flexibility and control for maximum performance
- Often less portable and more time consuming to implement

CODE FOR PORTABILITY & PERFORMANCE

Libraries

- Implement as much as possible using portable libraries

Directives

- Use directives for rapid and portable development

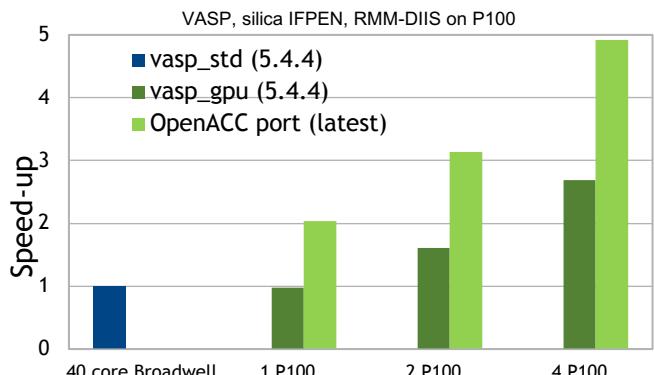
Languages

- Use lower level languages for important kernels

OPENACC GROWING MOMENTUM

Wide Adoption Across Key HPC Codes

ANSYS Fluent, Gaussian, VASP



* OpenACC port covers more VASP routines than CUDA, OpenACC port planned top down, with complete analysis of the call tree, OpenACC port leverages improvements in latest VASP Fortran source base

3 of Top 5 HPC Applications Use
OpenACC

GTC
XGC
ACME
FLASH
LSDalton

CAAR Codes Use
OpenACC

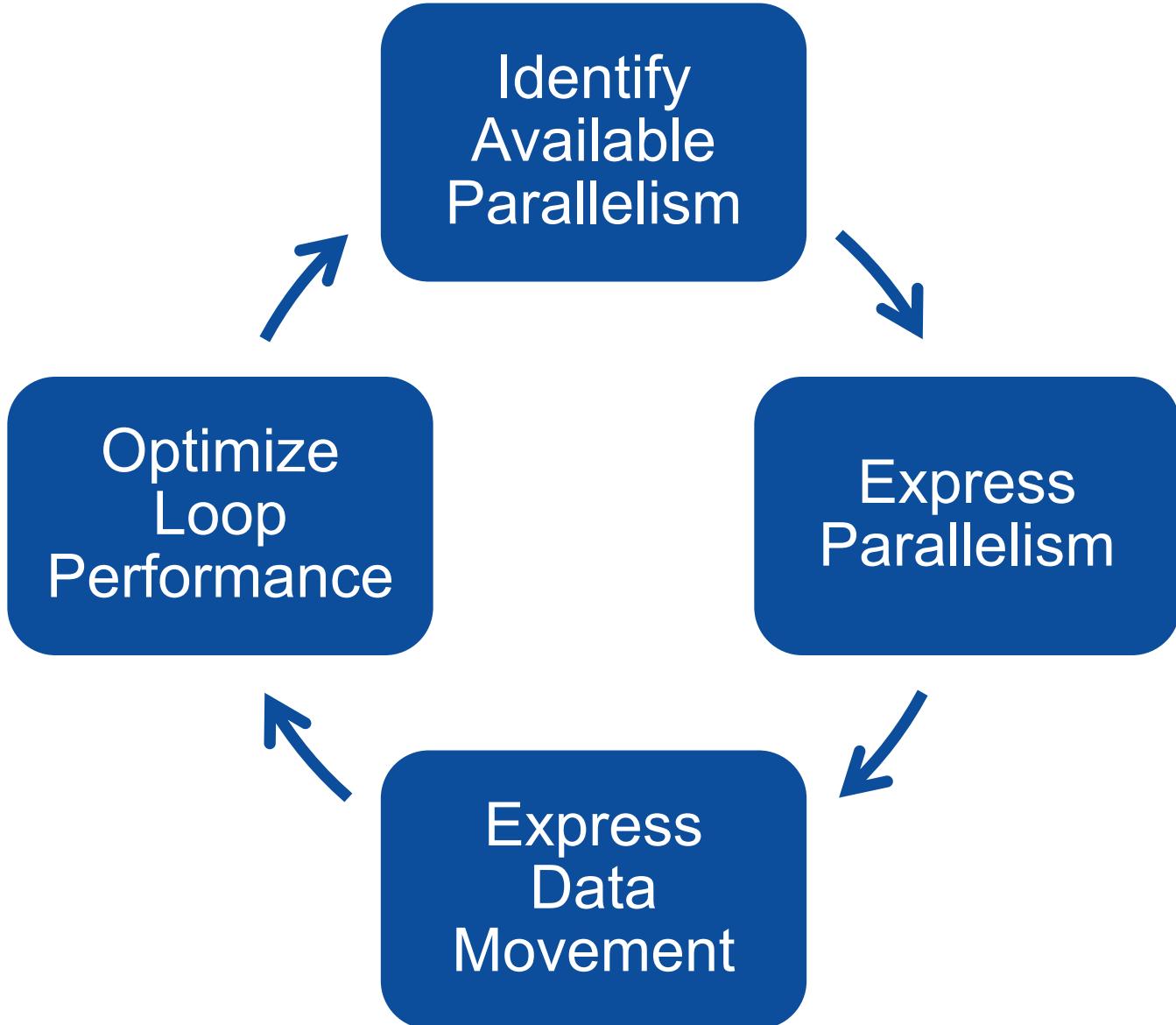
Key Codes Globally

COSMO, IFS(ESCAPE),
NICAM, ICON, MPAS

Gordon Bell Finalist

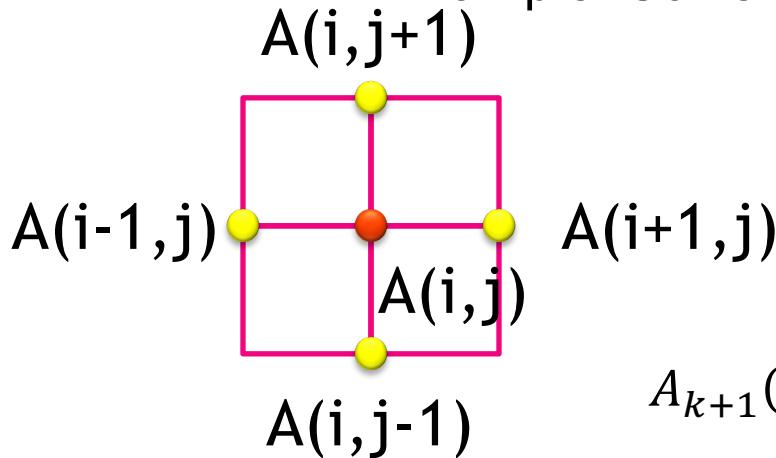
CAM-SE on Sunway
Taihulight

OpenACC Dominates in
Climate & Weather



EXAMPLE: JACOBI ITERATION

- Iteratively converges to correct value (e.g. Temperature), by computing new values at each point from the average of neighboring points.
- Common, useful algorithm
- Example: Solve Laplace equation in 2D: $\nabla^2 f(x, y) = 0$



$$A_{k+1}(i, j) = \frac{A_k(i - 1, j) + A_k(i + 1, j) + A_k(i, j - 1) + A_k(i, j + 1)}{4}$$

JACOBI ITERATION: C CODE

```
while ( err > tol && iter < iter_max ) {  
    err=0.0;  
  
    for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {  
        for(int i = 1; i < m-1; i++) {  
  
            Anew[j][i] = 0.25 * (A[j][i+1] + A[j][i-1] +  
                                  A[j-1][i] + A[j+1][i]);  
  
            err = max(err, abs(Anew[j][i] - A[j][i]));  
        }  
    }  
  
    for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {  
        for( int i = 1; i < m-1; i++ ) {  
            A[j][i] = Anew[j][i];  
        }  
    }  
  
    iter++;
```

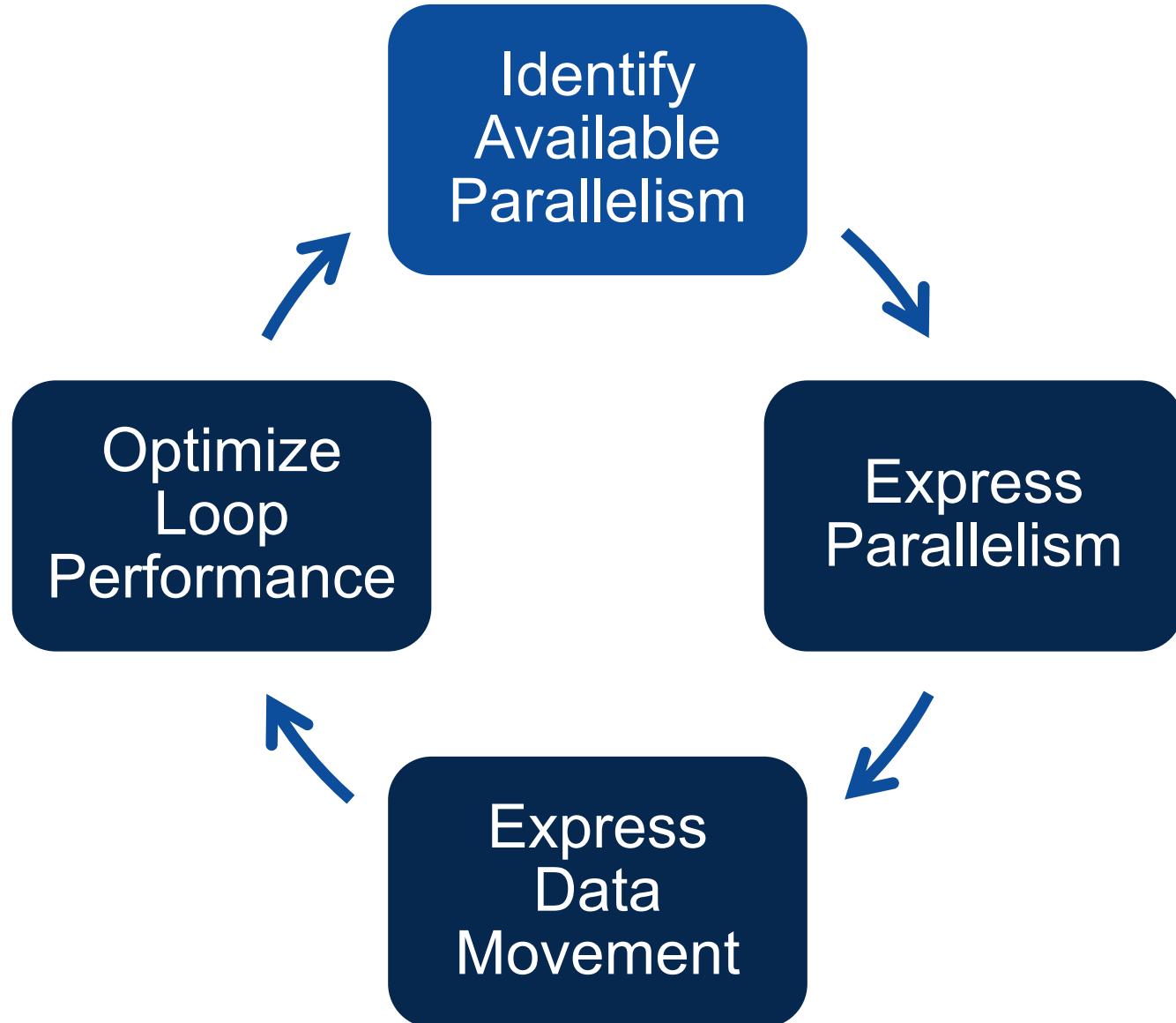
Iterate until converged

Iterate across matrix elements

Calculate new value from neighbors

Compute max error for convergence

Swap input/output arrays



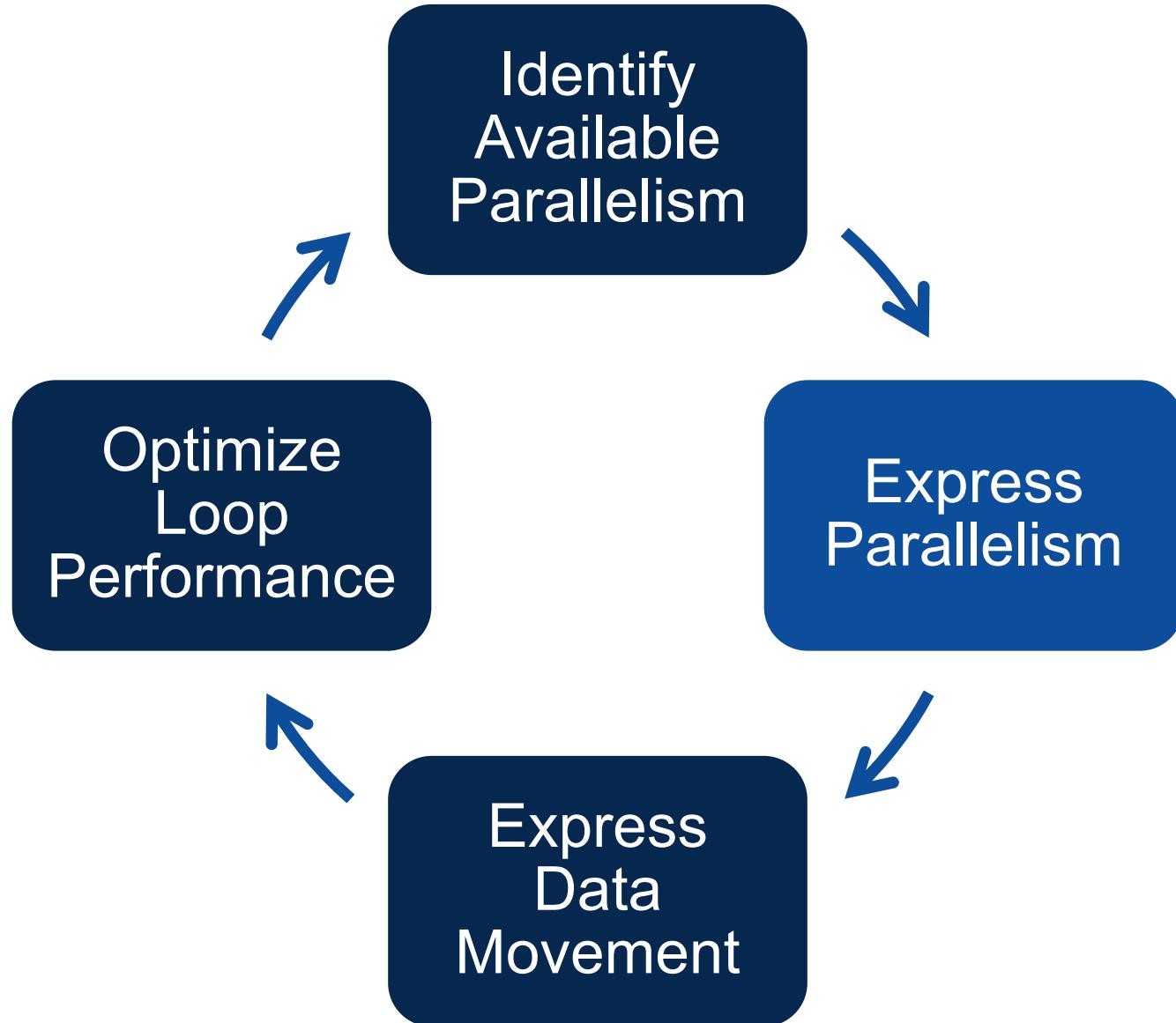
IDENTIFY PARALLELISM

```
while ( err > tol && iter < iter_max ) {  
    err=0.0;  
  
    for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {  
        for(int i = 1; i < m-1; i++) {  
  
            Anew[j][i] = 0.25 * (A[j][i+1] + A[j][i-1] +  
                                  A[j-1][i] + A[j+1][i]);  
  
            err = max(err, abs(Anew[j][i] - A[j][i]));  
        }  
    }  
  
    for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {  
        for( int i = 1; i < m-1; i++ ) {  
            A[j][i] = Anew[j][i];  
        }  
    }  
  
    iter++;
```

Data dependency
between iterations.

Independent loop
iterations

Independent loop
iterations

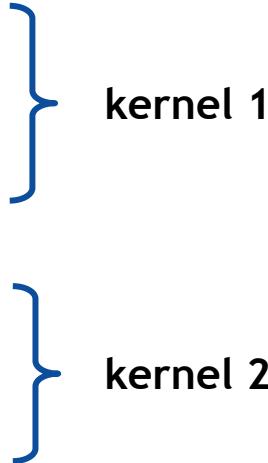


OPENACC KERNELS DIRECTIVE

The kernels directive identifies a region that may contain *loops* that the compiler can turn into parallel *kernels*.

```
#pragma acc kernels
{
    for(int i=0; i<N; i++)
    {
        x[i] = 1.0;
        y[i] = 2.0;
    }

    for(int i=0; i<N; i++)
    {
        y[i] = a*x[i] + y[i];
    }
}
```



The compiler identifies
2 parallel loops and
generates 2 kernels.

PARALLELIZE WITH OPENACC KERNELS

```
while ( err > tol && iter < iter_max ) {
    err=0.0;

#pragma acc kernels
{
    for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {
        for(int i = 1; i < m-1; i++) {

            Anew[j][i] = 0.25 * (A[j][i+1] + A[j][i-1] +
                                  A[j-1][i] + A[j+1][i]);

            err = max(err, abs(Anew[j][i] - A[j][i]));
        }
    }

    for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {
        for( int i = 1; i < m-1; i++ ) {
            A[j][i] = Anew[j][i];
        }
    }
}

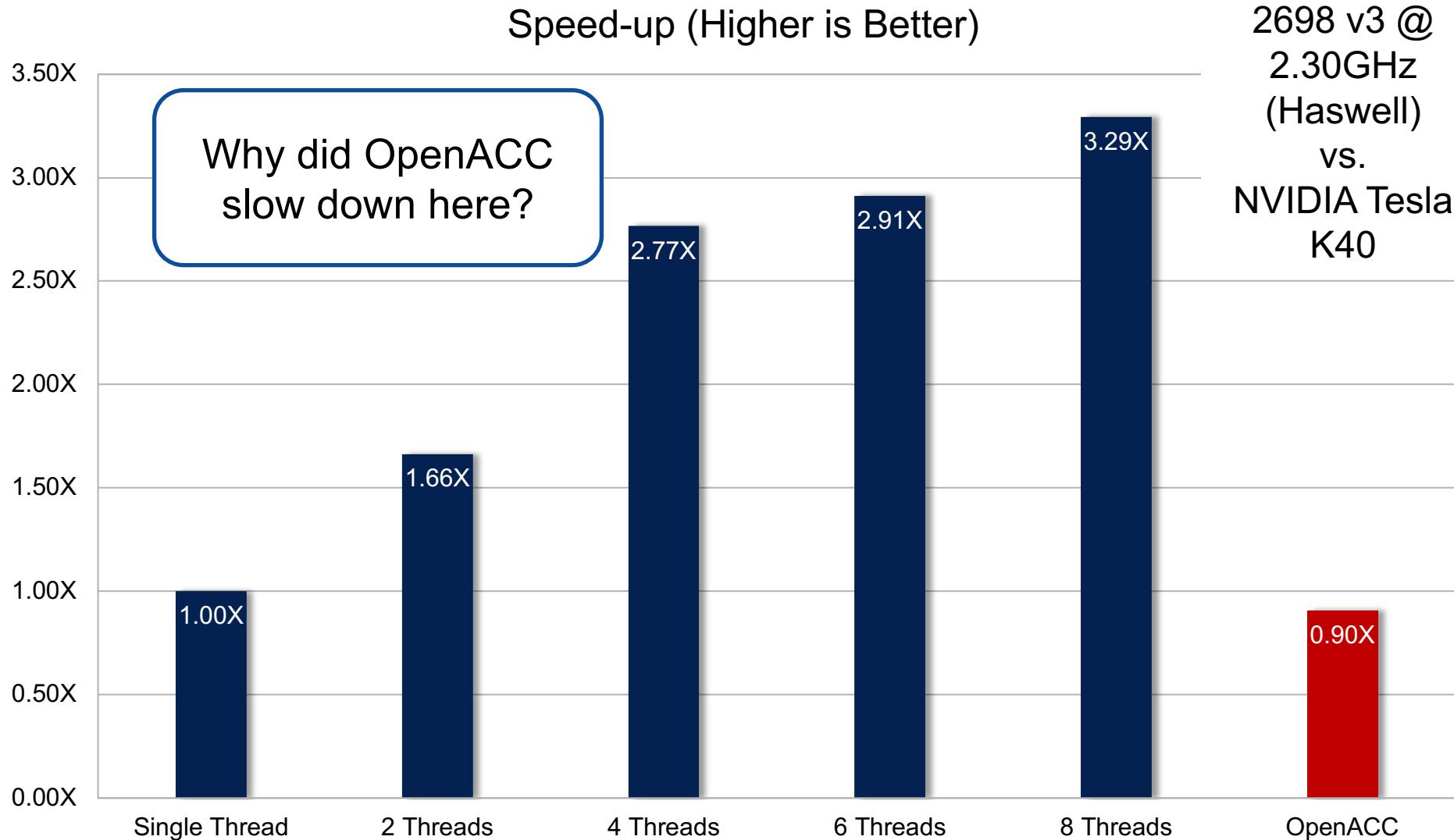
iter++;
}
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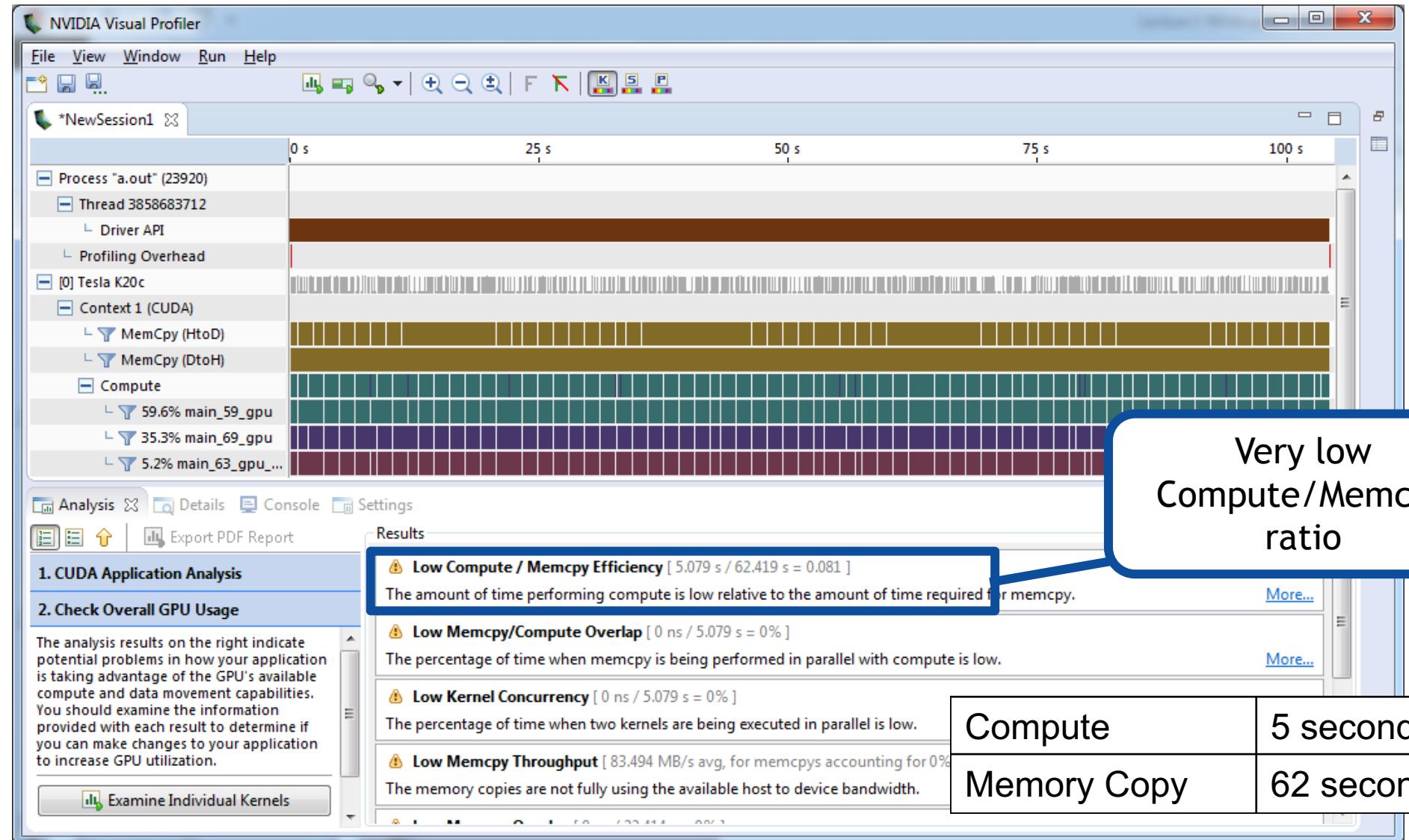
Look for parallelism
within this region.

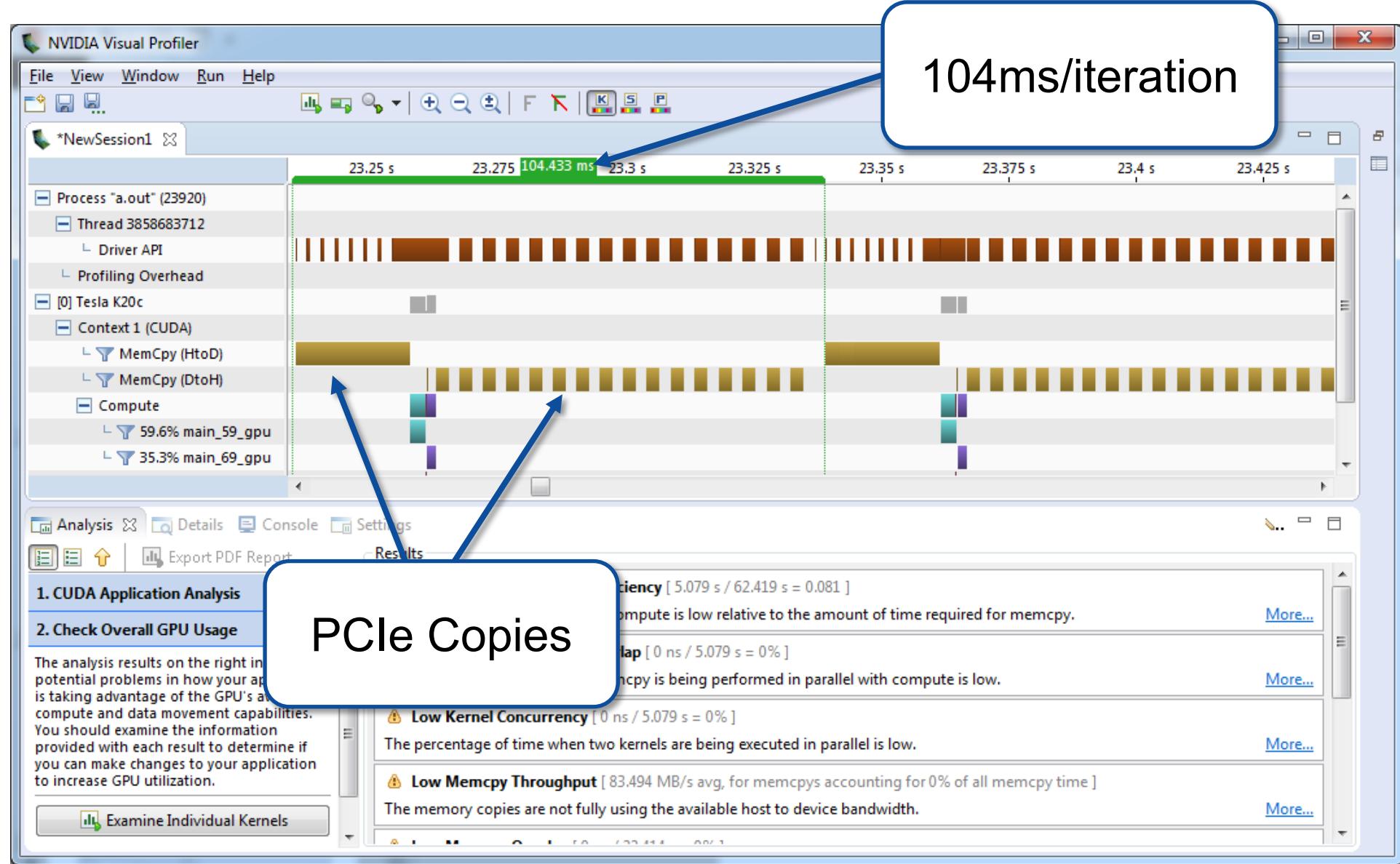
BUILDING THE CODE

```
$ pgcc -fast -ta=tesla -Minfo=all laplace2d.c
main:
  40, Loop not fused: function call before adjacent loop
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  51, Loop not vectorized/parallelized: potential early exits
  55, Generating copyout(Anew[1:4094][1:4094])
      Generating copyin(A[:, :])
      Generating copyout(A[1:4094][1:4094])
      Generating Tesla code
  57, Loop is parallelizable
  59, Loop is parallelizable
      Accelerator kernel generated
  57, #pragma acc loop gang /* blockIdx.y */
  59, #pragma acc loop gang, vector(128) /* blockIdx.x threadIdx.x */
  63, Max reduction generated for error
  67, Loop is parallelizable
  69, Loop is parallelizable
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  67, #pragma acc loop gang /* blockIdx.y */
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Intel Xeon E5-
2698 v3 @
2.30GHz
(Haswell)
vs.
NVIDIA Tesla
K40







EXCESSIVE DATA TRANSFERS

```
while ( err > tol && iter < iter_max )
{
    err=0.0;
```

A, Anew resident on host

These copies happen every iteration of the outer while loop!

•

```
#pragma acc kernels
```

A, Anew resident on accelerator

```

for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {
    for(int i = 1; i < m-1; i++) {
        Anew[j][i] = 0.25 * (A[j][i+1] +
                               A[j][i-1] + A[j-1][i] +
                               A[j+1][i]);
        err = max(err, abs(Anew[j][i] -
                            A[j][i]));
    }
}

```

A, Anew resident on accelerator

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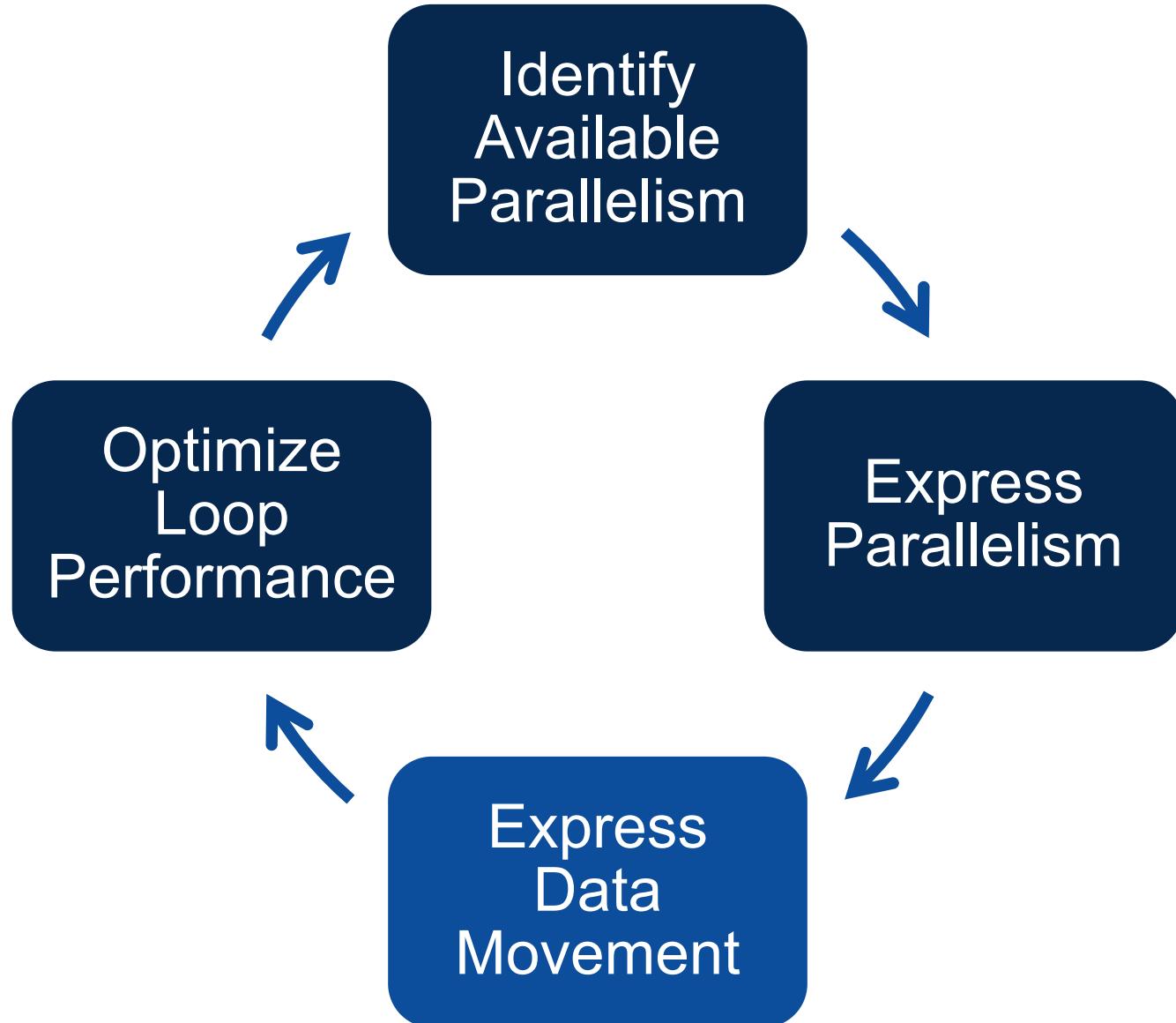
OpenACC
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IDENTIFYING DATA LOCALITY

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            A[j][i] = Anew[j][i];  
        }  
    }  
}  
  
iter++;
```

Does the CPU need the data between these loop nests?

Does the CPU need the data between iterations of the convergence loop?



DATA REGIONS

- The **data** directive defines a region of code in which GPU arrays remain on the GPU and are shared among all kernels in that region.

```
#pragma acc data  
{  
#pragma acc kernels  
...  
  
#pragma acc kernels  
...  
}
```



Arrays used within the data region will remain on the GPU until the end of the data region.

DATA CLAUSES

copy (<i>list</i>)	Allocates memory on GPU and copies data from host to GPU when entering region and copies data to the host when exiting region.
copyin (<i>list</i>)	Allocates memory on GPU and copies data from host to GPU when entering region.
copyout (<i>list</i>)	Allocates memory on GPU and copies data to the host when exiting region.
create (<i>list</i>)	Allocates memory on GPU but does not copy.
present (<i>list</i>)	Data is already present on GPU from another containing data region.
deviceptr(<i>list</i>)	The variable is a device pointer (e.g. CUDA) and can be used directly on the device.

EXPRESS DATA LOCALITY

```
#pragma acc data copy(A) create(Anew)
while ( err > tol && iter < iter_max ) {
    err=0.0;
#pragma acc kernels
{
    for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {
        for(int i = 1; i < m-1; i++) {

            Anew[j][i] = 0.25 * (A[j][i+1] + A[j][i-1] +
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            err = max(err, abs(Anew[j][i] - A[j][i]));
        }
    }

    for( int j = 1; j < n-1; j++) {
        for( int i = 1; i < m-1; i++ ) {
            A[j][i] = Anew[j][i];
        }
    }
}
iter++;
}
```

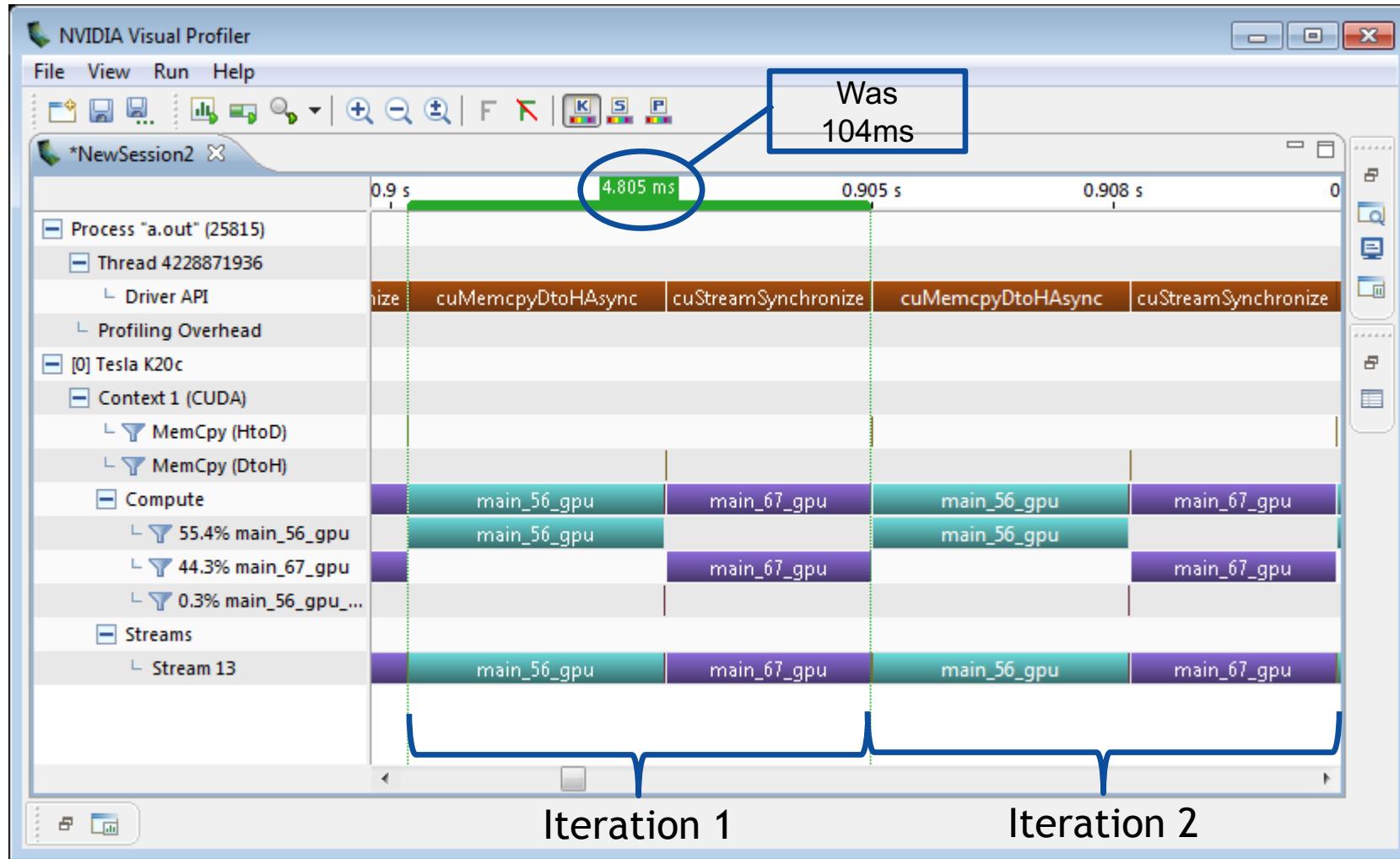
Copy A to/from the accelerator only when needed.

Create Anew as a device temporary.

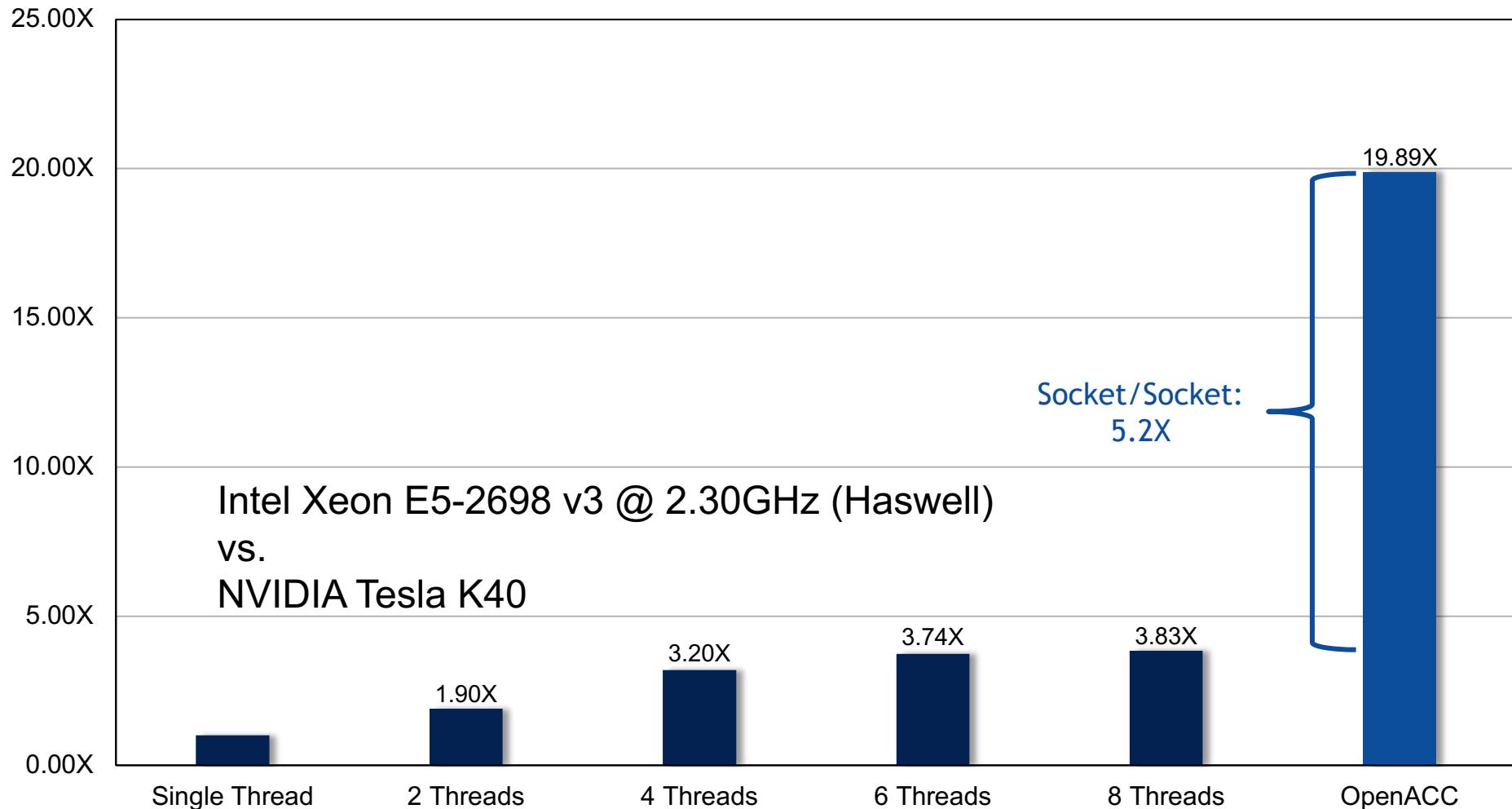
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      56, Max reduction generated for error
      57, #pragma acc loop gang /* blockIdx.x */
      59, #pragma acc loop vector(256) /* threadIdx.x */
  56, Generating Tesla code
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VISUAL PROFILER: DATA REGION



Speed-Up (Higher is Better)



INTRODUCING THE NEW OPENACC TOOLKIT

- Free Toolkit Offers Simple & Powerful Path to Accelerated Computing



<http://developer.nvidia.com/openacc>



PGI Compiler

Free OpenACC compiler for academia



NVProf Profiler

Easily find where to add compiler directives



GPU Wizard

Identify which GPU libraries can jumpstart code



Code Samples

Learn from examples of real-world algorithms

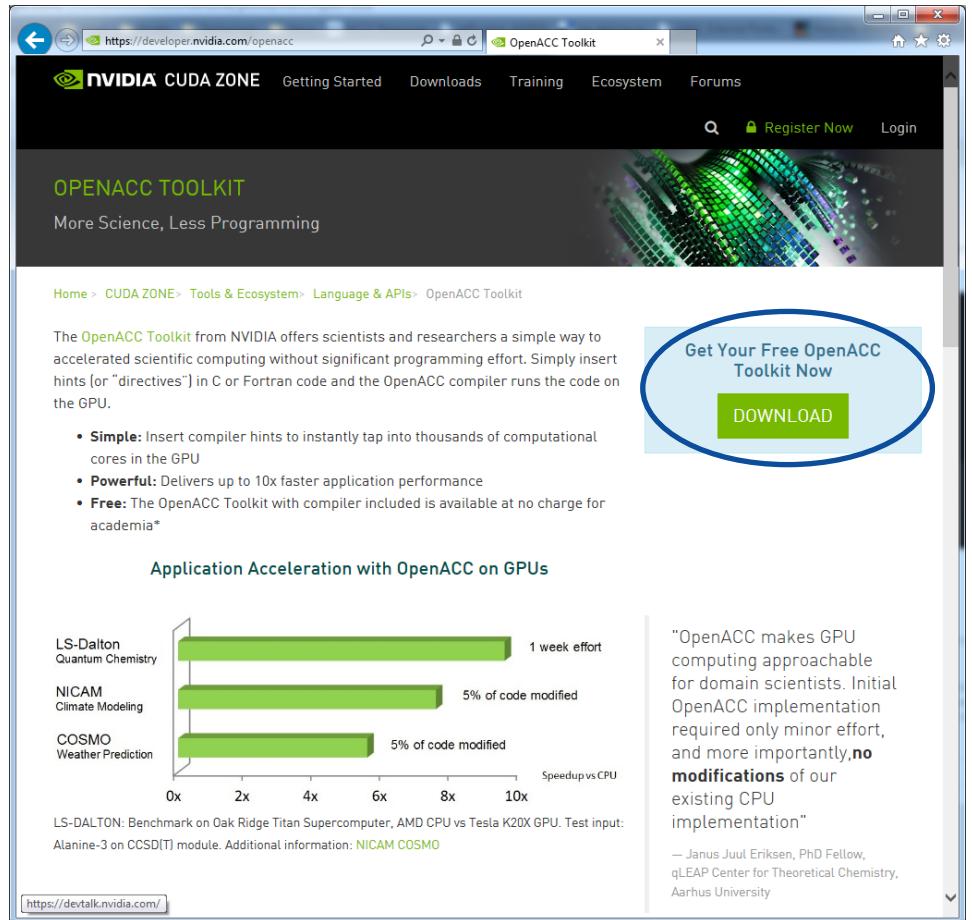


Documentation

Quick start guide, Best practices, Forums

DOWNLOAD THE OPENACC TOOLKIT

- ▶ Go to
<https://developer.nvidia.com/openacc>



The screenshot shows the NVIDIA CUDA Zone OpenACC Toolkit landing page. The header features the NVIDIA logo and links for Getting Started, Downloads, Training, Ecosystem, and Forums. A search bar and user account options (Register Now, Login) are also present. The main content area has a dark background with a green and blue abstract graphic on the right. The title "OPENACC TOOLKIT" is displayed in green, along with the tagline "More Science, Less Programming". Below this, a breadcrumb navigation shows Home > CUDA ZONE > Tools & Ecosystem > Language & APIs > OpenACC Toolkit. The central text explains the toolkit's purpose: "The OpenACC Toolkit from NVIDIA offers scientists and researchers a simple way to accelerated scientific computing without significant programming effort. Simply insert hints (or "directives") in C or Fortran code and the OpenACC compiler runs the code on the GPU." It highlights three key features: Simple (insert compiler hints), Powerful (up to 10x faster performance), and Free (available at no charge for academia). A call-to-action button labeled "DOWNLOAD" is highlighted with a blue oval. A section titled "Application Acceleration with OpenACC on GPUs" includes a horizontal bar chart comparing Speedup vs CPU for three applications: LS-Dalton (Quantum Chemistry), NICAM (Climate Modeling), and COSMO (Weather Prediction). The chart shows significant speedups, with LS-Dalton reaching nearly 10x speedup with just 1 week of effort and 5% code modification. A quote from Janus Juul Eriksen, PhD Fellow, qLEAP Center for Theoretical Chemistry, Aarhus University, is shown on the right, emphasizing that OpenACC makes GPU computing approachable and requires minimal modifications to existing CPU implementations.

OPENACC TOOLKIT

More Science, Less Programming

Home > CUDA ZONE > Tools & Ecosystem > Language & APIs > OpenACC Toolkit

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- **Simple:** Insert compiler hints to instantly tap into thousands of computational cores in the GPU
- **Powerful:** Delivers up to 10x faster application performance
- **Free:** The OpenACC Toolkit with compiler included is available at no charge for academia*

Application Acceleration with OpenACC on GPUs

Application	Speedup vs CPU	Effort	Code Modified
LS-Dalton	~10x	1 week effort	5%
NICAM	~8x		5%
COSMO	~6x		5%

LS-DALTON: Benchmark on Oak Ridge Titan Supercomputer, AMD CPU vs Tesla K20X GPU. Test input: Alanine-3 on CCSD(T) module. Additional information: [NICAM](#) [COSMO](#)

"OpenACC makes GPU computing approachable for domain scientists. Initial OpenACC implementation required only minor effort, and more importantly, **no modifications** of our existing CPU implementation"

— Janus Juul Eriksen, PhD Fellow,
qLEAP Center for Theoretical Chemistry,
Aarhus University

WINDOWS/MAC DEVELOPERS

- The OpenACC Toolkit is only available on Linux, however...
- The PGI compiler is available on Mac and Windows from <http://www.pgroup.com/support/trial.htm>
 - You should still register for the OpenACC Toolkit to get the 90 day license.
- The CUDA Toolkit contains the libraries and profiling tools that will be used in this course.
 - <https://developer.nvidia.com/cuda-zone>
- The OpenACC Programming Guide is available from <http://bit.ly/openacc-guide>
 - Obtaining all examples and guides from the toolkit will still require downloading the full OpenACC toolkit.

GETTING ACCESS

- Go to nvidia.qwiklab.com, log-in or create an account

The screenshot shows the homepage of nvidia.qwiklab.com. The top navigation bar includes links for 'WHAT'S A QWIKLAB?', 'LAB CATALOGUE', 'PRICING', 'FAQS', 'CONTACT', 'Language', 'Create New Account', and 'Sign in'. The main content area features a large banner with the text 'Real training, real-time, real environments.' and a 'Search for a Lab in our Catalogue' input field. Below the banner is a 'Browse Learning Quests:' section for NVIDIA, with tabs for 'Languages' (selected), 'Technologies', and 'Domains'. It lists learning quests for 'C/C++ Getting Started', 'Python Getting Started', 'Fortran Getting Started', and 'MATLAB'. Each quest card provides details like total labs, credits, and time. At the bottom, there are four call-to-action boxes: 'Getting Started: qwikLABS + Quests', 'How can I partner with qwikLABS?', 'Deep Learning Lab', and 'Try a GPU Programming Lab for FREE'.

Sign In or Create a New Account

WHERE TO FIND HELP

- OpenACC Course Recordings - <https://developer.nvidia.com/openacc-course>
 - OpenACC on StackOverflow - <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/tagged/openacc>
 - OpenACC Toolkit - <http://developer.nvidia.com/openacc>
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- Additional Resources:
 - Parallel Forall Blog - <http://devblogs.nvidia.com/parallelforall/>
 - GPU Technology Conference - <http://www.gputechconf.com/>
 - OpenACC Website - <http://openacc.org/>

OPENACC RESOURCES

Guides • Talks • Tutorials • Videos • Books • Spec • Code Samples • Teaching Materials • Events • Success Stories • Courses • Slack • Stack Overflow

**FREE
Compilers**

PGI®
Community EDITION



<https://www.openacc.org/community#slack>



Resources

<https://www.openacc.org/resources>

The screenshot shows the OpenACC website's 'Resources' section. It includes a search bar and navigation links for About, Tools, News, Events, Resources, Spec, and Community. Below the navigation is a 'Resources' heading with a sub-section for 'Guides' containing links to 'Introduction to OpenACC Quick Guides' and 'OpenACC Programming and Best Practices Guide'. There is also a 'Books' section with links to 'Parallel Programming with OpenACC' and 'Programming Massively Parallel Processors, Third Edition: A Hands-on Approach'. The 'Tutorials' section features video thumbnails.

Compilers and Tools

<https://www.openacc.org/tools>

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Success Stories

<https://www.openacc.org/success-stories>

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Events

<https://www.openacc.org/events>

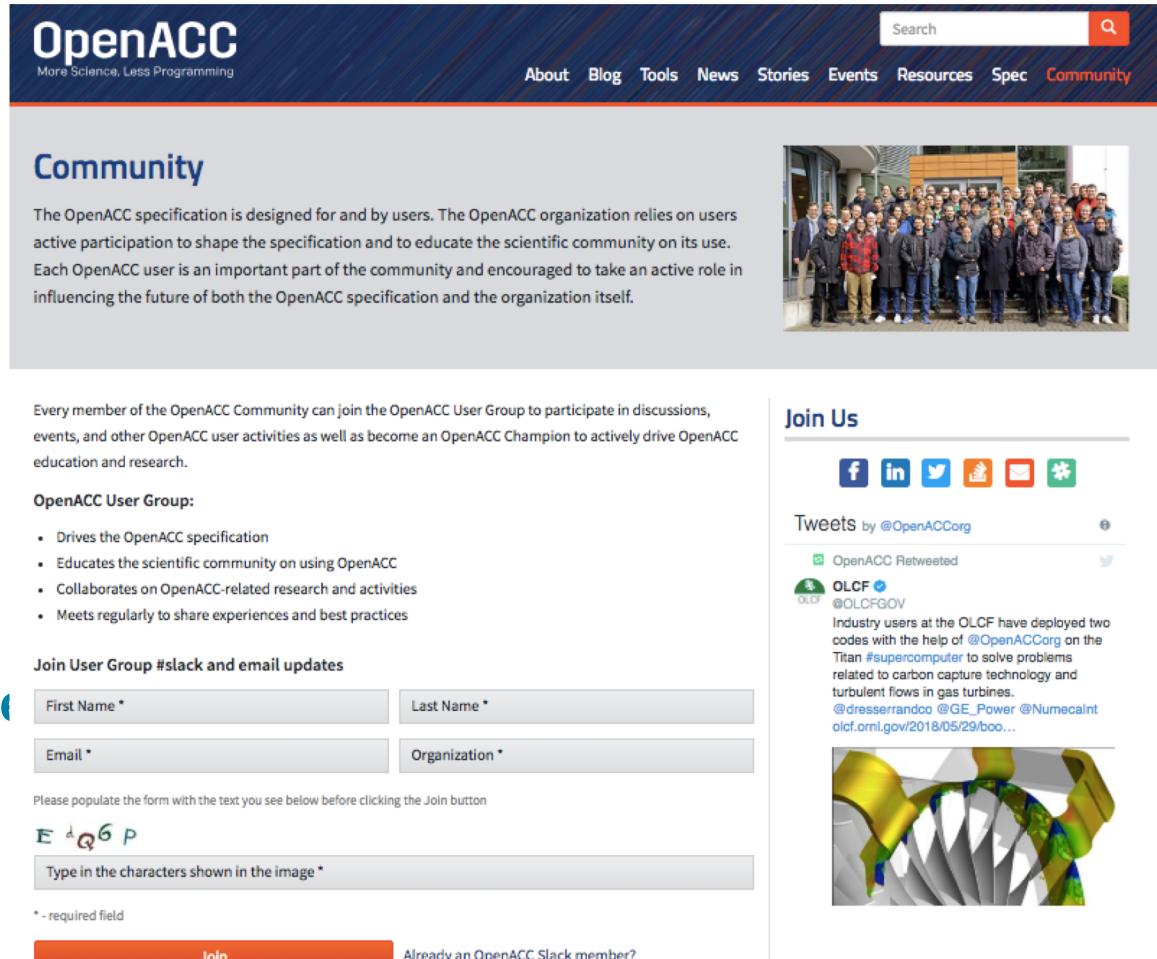
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OPENACC SLACK COMMUNITY

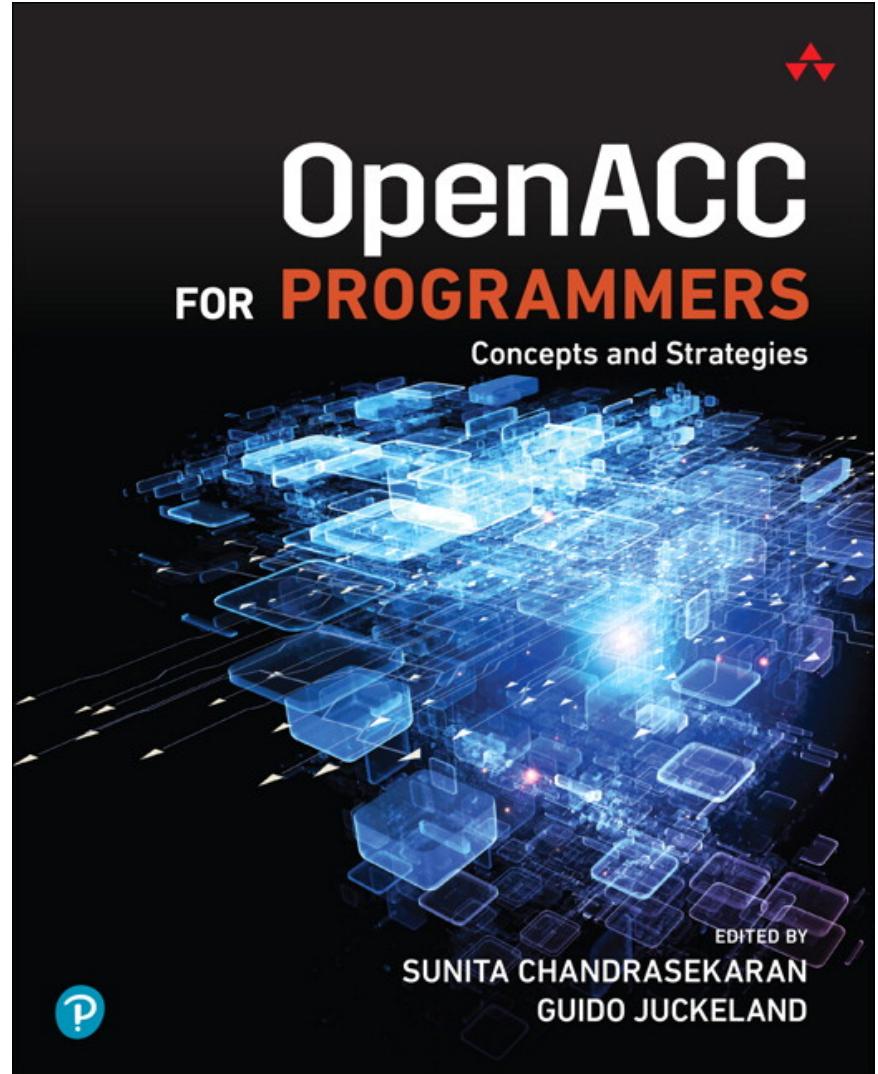
Sign up!

Join 340 other slack members !

**Get your answers from
scientific developers, compiler developers
and users 😊**



The screenshot shows the OpenACC website's "Community" page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for About, Blog, Tools, News, Stories, Events, Resources, Spec, and Community. Below the navigation, a large image of a group of people stands outside a modern building. The main content area has a blue header "Community". A text block states: "The OpenACC specification is designed for and by users. The OpenACC organization relies on users active participation to shape the specification and to educate the scientific community on its use. Each OpenACC user is an important part of the community and encouraged to take an active role in influencing the future of both the OpenACC specification and the organization itself." Below this, a section titled "Join Us" features social media icons for Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, YouTube, Email, and a gear. It also includes a "Tweets" section from @OpenACCorg and a "Retweeted" post from OLCF (@OLCFGOV) about industry users using OpenACC on the Titan supercomputer. At the bottom, there is a form for joining the User Group, including fields for First Name, Last Name, Email, Organization, and a CAPTCHA challenge (E d Q 6 P). There is also a link for existing members.



- An OpenACC Textbook recently published – November 2017
- Available via Amazon and other sites
- Example codes, chapter solutions available

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