

# Lab Session 3

Submission deadline: Feb 20, 11:59pm

Please submit your lab results through CatCourses, including Makefile, source code and a short report (up to one page). You may find the OpenMP tutorial from Lawrence Livermore National Lab useful (<https://computing.llnl.gov/tutorials/openMP/>).

## 1. Parallelization of matrix vector multiplication

**1.1** Create a program that computes a simple matrix vector multiplication  $b=Ax$ . Use OpenMP directives to make it run in parallel. Change the number of threads and measure performance.

**1.2** Fix the number of threads (e.g., using 4 threads), and try static and dynamic scheduling strategies ("dynamic" and "guided"). Measure performance and explain your results.

## 2. Producer/consumer

Parallelize the "prod\_cons.c" program (see lab3/prod\_cons.c at CatCourses). This is a well-known pattern called the producer consumer pattern: One thread produces values that another thread consumes. This pattern is often used with a stream of produced values to implement "pipeline parallelism".

Use OpenMP directives to parallel prod\_cons.c. Report the execution time.

Hint: the key to parallel this program with OpenMP is to employ synchronization between threads.

## 3. Linked list

Consider the "linked.c" program (see lab3/linked.c at CatCourses). This program traverses a linked list computing a sequence of Fibonacci numbers at each node.

**3.1** Parallelize this program using OpenMP tasks.

Change the list size (i.e.,  $N$ ) and the number of threads, and report the execution times.