

LLOV: A Fast Static Data-Race Checker for OpenMP Programs



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OpenMP is **portable** across architectures from different vendors. (e.g. CPU, GPU, and FPGA [[Mayer et al., 2019](#)])

OpenMP Example: `#pragma omp parallel`

```

1 #pragma omp parallel \
2   num_threads(3)
3 {
4   for (int i = 0; i < 15; i++) {
5     printf("Iteration Id %d by \
6           Thread Id: %d\n", i,
7           omp_get_thread_num());
8   }
9 }

```

Listing 1: OpenMP `parallel` construct

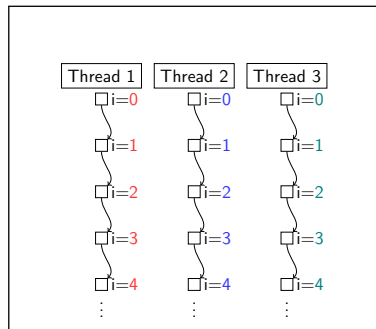


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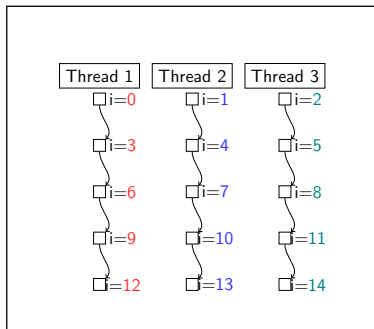


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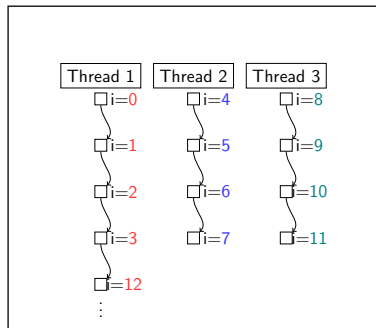


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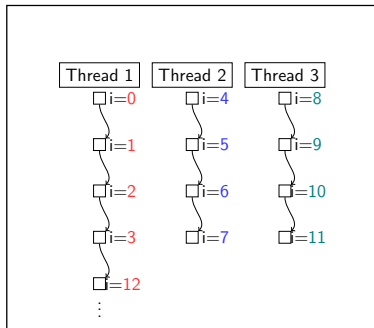


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Data race at (Line 5)!!

- Missing data sharing clauses

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1 #pragma omp parallel for \  
2     private (temp,i,j)  
3     for (i = 0; i < len; i++)  
4         for (j = 0; j < len; j++){  
5             temp = u[i][j];  
6             sum = sum + temp * temp;  
7         }
```

Listing 4: DRB021: OpenMP Worksharing construct with data race

- Missing data sharing clauses
- Loop carried dependences

```
1  for (i=0;i<n;i++) {  
2  #pragma omp parallel for  
3      for (j=1;j<m;j++) {  
4      b[i][j] = b[i][j-1] ;  
5      }  
6  }
```

Listing 5: DRB038: Example with Loop Carried Dependence

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- SIMD races

```
1 #pragma omp simd
2 for (int i=0; i<len-1; i++){
3     a[i+1] = a[i] + b[i];
4 }
```

Listing 6: DRB024: Example with SIMD data race

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- Synchronization issues

```
1 #pragma omp parallel \  
2     shared(b, error)  
3     {  
4 #pragma omp for nowait  
5     for(i = 0; i < len; i++)  
6         a[i] = b + a[i]*5;  
7 #pragma omp single  
8     error = a[9] + 1;  
9 }
```

Listing 7: DRB013: Example with data race due to improper synchronization

- Missing data sharing clauses
- Loop carried dependences
- SIMD races
- Synchronization issues
- Control flow dependent on number of threads

```
1 #pragma omp parallel
2   if (omp_get_thread_num() % 2
3       == 0) {
4       Flag = true;
5   }
```

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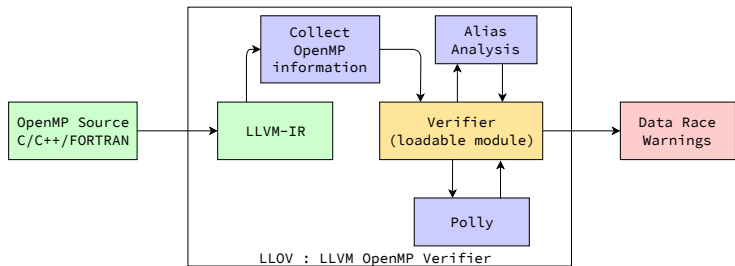


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Firstprivate: i64 %vla

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Child Directives:

1: Directive: OMP_Workshare_Loop

Schedule type : Static Schedule (auto-chunked)

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Firstprivate: i64 %via <Var> ::= <Vtype> val
Shared:   i32* %a      <Vtype> ::= private | firstprivate
Shared:   i32* %b      | shared | lastprivate
Shared:   i32* %error
Private:  %.omp.stride = alloca i32, allg reduction | threadprivate
Private:  %.omp.is_lca <Sched> oca i32::=a[i<modifier>] [ ordered ] <Stype> <chunk>
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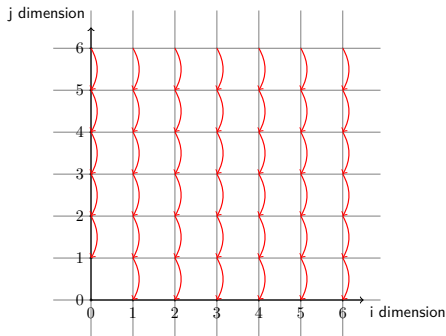


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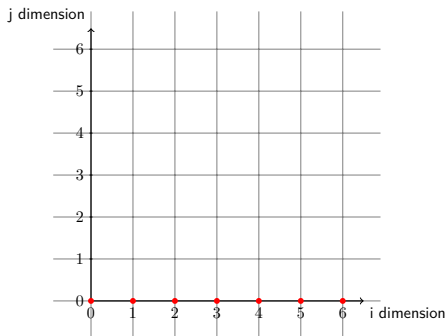


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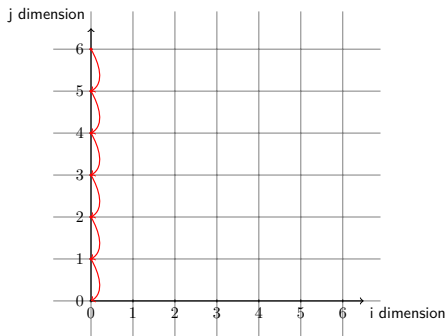


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Non-zero magnitude of the projections on a dimension signifies that the dimension is **not parallel**.

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OMPVERIFY [Basupalli et al., 2011]	AlphaZ	Static
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System Specifications:

System: Two Intel Xeon E5-2697 v4 @ 2.30GHz processors

OS: 64 bit Ubuntu 18.04.2 LTS server

Kernel: Linux kernel version 4.15.0-48-generic

Threads: 72 (2 × 36) hardware threads

Memory: 128GB

OpenMP library: LLVM OpenMP runtime v5.0.1 (libomp5)

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ARCHER [Atzeni et al., 2016]	git master branch	fc17353
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TSAN-LLVM	42	1	2	16	61
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Table 5: Performance of the tools on DataRaceBench 1.2

Tools	Precision	Recall	Accuracy	F1 Score	Diagnostic odds ratio
HELGRIND	0.50	0.95	0.50	0.66	0.68
VALGRIND DRD	0.64	0.95	0.71	0.77	15.66
TSAN-LLVM	0.51	0.97	0.51	0.67	1.04
ARCHER	0.50	0.95	0.50	0.66	0.68
SWORD	0.92	0.92	0.90	0.92	70.50
LLOV	0.91	0.96	0.92	0.93	172.80

Table 5: Performance of the tools on DataRaceBench 1.2

Tools	Precision	Recall	Accuracy	F1 Score	Diagnostic odds ratio
HELGRIND	0.50	0.95	0.50	0.66	0.68
VALGRIND DRD	0.64	0.95	0.71	0.77	15.66
TSAN-LLVM	0.51	0.97	0.51	0.67	1.04
ARCHER	0.50	0.95	0.50	0.66	0.68
SWORD	0.92	0.92	0.90	0.92	70.50
LLOV	0.91	0.96	0.92	0.93	172.80

Table 6: Performance of the tools on **common 61** kernels of DataRaceBench 1.2

Tools	Precision	Recall	Accuracy	F1 Score	Diagnostic odds ratio
HELGRIND	0.72	0.98	0.72	0.83	5.25
VALGRIND DRD	0.88	0.98	0.89	0.92	84.00
TSAN-LLVM	0.72	0.98	0.72	0.83	5.25
ARCHER	0.72	0.98	0.72	0.83	5.25
SWORD	0.98	0.98	0.97	0.98	714.00
LLOV	0.95	0.98	0.95	0.97	336.00

Results: DataRaceBench v1.2 runtime

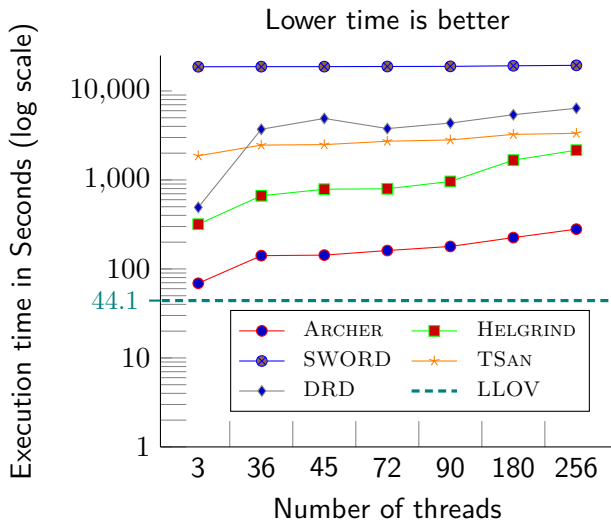


Figure 8: DataRaceBench v1.2 total execution time by different tools on logarithmic scale

Results: DataRaceBench v1.2 runtime

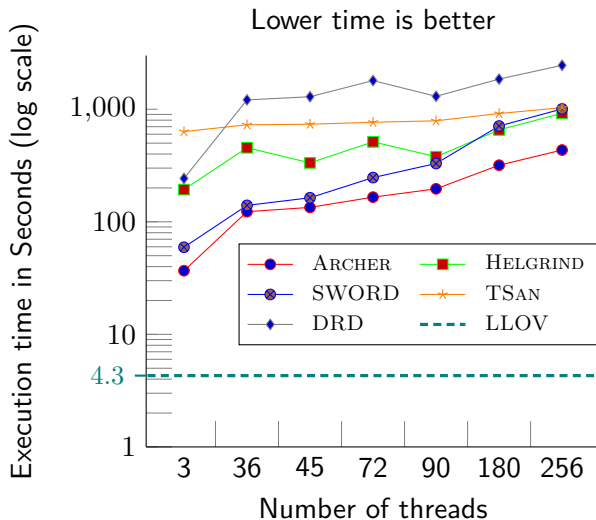


Figure 9: DataRaceBench v1.2 total time taken by different tools for common 61 kernels on logarithmic scale

Table 7: Comparison of different tools on OmpSCR v2.0

Tools	Race: Yes		Race: No		Coverage/14
	TP	FN	TN	FP	
HELGRIND	8	0	0	9	14
VALGRIND DRD	8	0	2	5	14
TSAN-LLVM	7	1	2	6	14
ARCHER	7	1	2	4	14
SWORD	3	4	3	0	10
LLOV	4	1	2	5	10

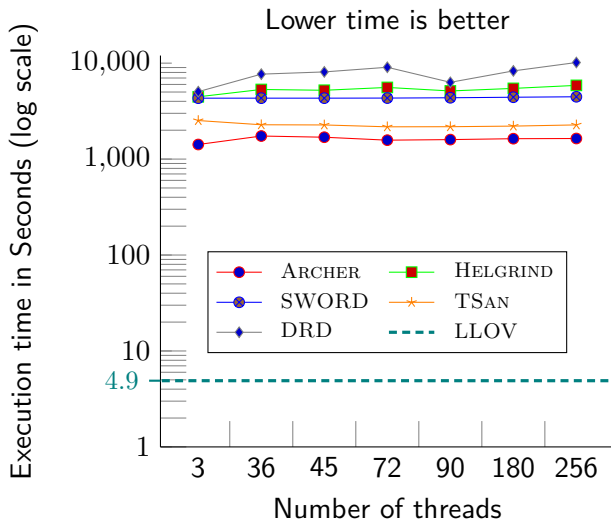


Figure 10: OmpSCR v2.0 total execution time by different tools on logarithmic scale

An implementation of DataRaceBench C/C++ v1.2 [Liao et al., 2018b] in FORTRAN 95.

- Converted 92 (out of 116) C/C++ kernels to FORTRAN
- Demonstrate that LLOV is language agnostic
- Already open-sourced this benchmark [Kukreja et al., 2019]

Table 8: Maximum number of Races reported by different tools in DataRaceBench FORTRAN

Tools	Race: Yes		Race: No		Coverage/92
	TP	FN	TN	FP	
HELGRIND	46	6	4	36	92
VALGRIND DRD	45	7	21	19	92
LLOV	36	7	19	5	67

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Challenges in using LoopAccessAnalysis of LLVM!

- Iteration distance is not available
- Dependence distance not computed for backward dependences
- How to construct direction vectors using LoopAccessAnalysis?

LLOV: A Fast Static Data-Race Checker for OpenMP Programs



LLOV is freely available for download.

Link: <https://github.com/utpalbora/llov>

Blog: <https://compilers.cse.iith.ac.in/projects/llov/>

Open source links:

- DataRaceBench FORTRAN:
https://github.com/IITH-Compilers/drb_fortran
- LLOV source: Please drop me an email at
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Contributions Welcome!!

We welcome your contributions in any form. **Thank You!**



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Extra Slides!

Table 9: Comparison of OpenMP pragma handling by OpenMP aware tools. (Y for Yes, N for No)

OpenMP Pragma	LLOV	OMPVERIFY	POLYOMP	DRACO	SWORD	ARCHER	ROMP
#pragma omp parallel	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp for	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp parallel for	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp critical	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp atomic	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp master	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp single	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp simd	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N
#pragma omp parallel for simd	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N
#pragma omp parallel sections	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp sections	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp threadprivate	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
#pragma omp ordered	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
#pragma omp distribute	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
#pragma omp task	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
#pragma omp taskgroup	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
#pragma omp taskloop	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
#pragma omp taskwait	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
#pragma omp barrier	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
#pragma omp teams	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
#pragma omp target	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
#pragma omp target map	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

Table 10: Race detection literature (minimalistic)

Published	Title	Year
TOCS	Eraser: A dynamic data race detector for multithreaded programs	1997
SOSP	RacerX: Effective, Static Detection of Race Conditions and Deadlocks	2003
POPL	Conditional must not aliasing for static race detection	2007
PPoPP	May-happen-in-parallel analysis of X10 program	2007
ESEC-FSE	RELAY: static race detection on millions of lines of code	2007
WBIA	ThreadSanitizer – data race detection in practice	2009
IWOMP	ompVerify : Polyhedral Analysis for the OpenMP Programmer	2011
TOPLAS	LOCKSMITH: Practical static race detection for C	2011
LCPC	An extended polyhedral model for SPMD programs and its use in static data race detection	2016
IPDPS	ARCHER: effectively spotting data races in large OpenMP applications	2016
IPDPS	SWORD: A Bounded Memory-Overhead Detector of OpenMP Data Races in Production Runs	2018
Correctness	Using Polyhedral Analysis to Verify OpenMP Applications are Data Race Free	2018
SC	Dynamic Data Race Detection for OpenMP Programs	2018
OOPSLA	RacerD: Compositional Static Race Detection	2018
IWOMP	OMPSan: Static Verification of OpenMP's Data Mapping Constructs	2019
SC	OMPRacer: A Scalable and Precise Static Race Detector for OpenMP Programs	2020

Table 11: Dependence Types

Dependence Type	RAW	WAR
Laxically Backward	<pre>for(int i=0;i<N;i++){ ... = A[i]; A[i+4] = ...; }</pre>	<pre>for(int i=0;i<N;i++){ A[i] = ...; ... = A[i+4]; }</pre>
Laxically Forward	<pre>for(int i=0;i<N;i++){ A[i+4] = ...; ... = A[i]; }</pre>	<pre>for(int i=0;i<N;i++){ ... = A[i]; A[i-4] = ...; }</pre>

Table 12: Vectorization and Parallelization legality

Dependence Type	Vectorization Legality	Parallelization Legality
Laxically Backward	Legal for $VF < \text{Iteration Distance}$	Restrictive schedule with $PF < \text{Iteration Distance}$
Laxically Forward	Legal with $VF = \infty$	Restrictive schedule with $PF < \text{Iteration Distance}$

```
1 for (int i = 0; i < 20; i++) {  
2     for (int j = 4; j < 20; j++) {  
3         b[i][j]=b[i][j-4] + x;  
4     }  
5 }
```

Listing 16: Example for Vectorization

Vectorization Example

```
1 for (int i = 0; i < 20; i++) {  
2     for (int j = 4; j < 20; j++) {  
3         b[i][j]=b[i][j-4] + x;  
4     }  
5 }
```

Listing 16: Example for Vectorization

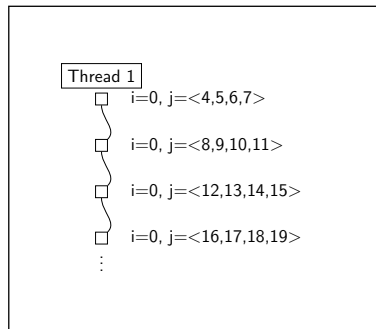


Figure 11: SIMD execution model within CPU

Parallelization Example:

```
1 for (int i = 0; i < 20; i++) {  
2 #pragma omp parallel for \  
3     schedule(static,4) \  
4     num_threads(3)  
5     for (int j = 4; j < 20; j++) {  
6         b[i][j] = b[i][j-4] + x;  
7     }  
8 }
```

Listing 17: OpenMP worksharing **for** construct (incorrect parallelization)

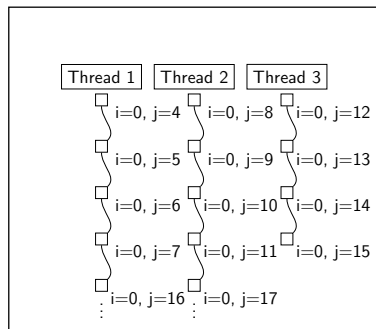


Figure 12: OpenMP thread execution schedule for **parallel for** construct with data races

Parallelization Example:

```
1 for (int i = 0; i < 20; i++) {  
2 #pragma omp parallel for \  
3     schedule(static,4) \  
4     num_threads(3)  
5     for (int j = 4; j < 20; j++) {  
6         b[i][j] = b[i][j-4] + x;  
7 #pragma omp barrier  
8     }  
9 }
```

Listing 18: OpenMP worksharing **for** construct with barrier (incorrect parallelization)

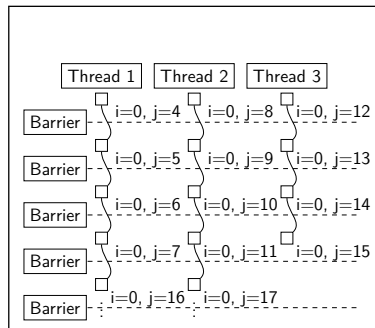


Figure 13: Possible OpenMP thread execution schedule for **parallel for** construct with **chunking**

Parallelization Example:

```

1 for (int i = 0; i < 20; i++) {
2 #pragma omp parallel for \
3     schedule(static,4) \
4     num_threads(3)
5     for (int j = 4; j < 20; j++) {
6         b[i][j] = b[i][j-4] + x;
7     }
8 #pragma omp barrier
9 }

```

Listing 18: OpenMP worksharing `for` construct with barrier (incorrect parallelization)

Incorrect parallelization! Barrier can not be placed inside a `parallel for` construct.

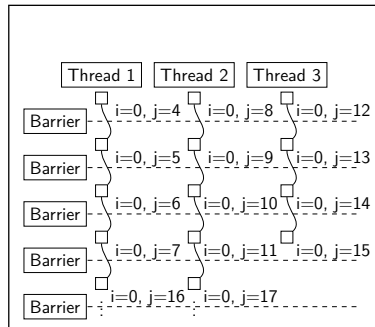


Figure 13: Possible OpenMP thread execution schedule for `parallel for` construct with `chunking`

Correct Parallelization Example:

```

1 #pragma omp parallel for \
2     schedule(static,4) \
3     num_threads(3)
4 for (int i = 0; i < 20; i++) {
5     for (int j = 4; j < 20; j++) {
6         b[i][j] = b[i][j-4] + x;
7     }
8 }

```

Listing 19: OpenMP worksharing **for** construct

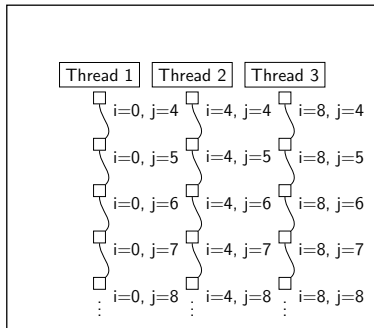


Figure 14: OpenMP thread execution schedule for **parallel for** construct with **chunking**

Correct Parallelization and Vectorization Example:

```
1 #pragma omp parallel for \
2     schedule(static,4) \
3     num_threads(3)
4 for (int i = 0; i < 20; i++) {
5     #pragma omp simd simdlen(4)
6     for (int j = 4; j < 20; j++) {
7         b[i][j] = b[i][j-4] + x;
8     }
9 }
```

Listing 20: OpenMP worksharing `for` construct

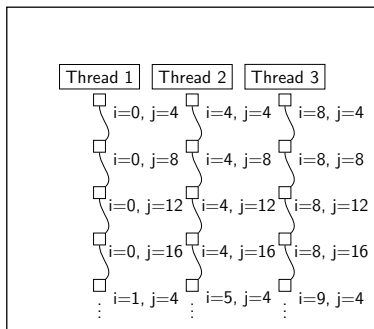


Figure 15: OpenMP thread execution schedule for `parallel for` construct with chunking

- **True Positive (TP):** If the evaluation tool correctly detects a data race present in the kernel it is a True Positive test result. A higher number of true positives represents a better tool.
- **True Negative (TN):** If the benchmark does not contain a race and the tool declares it as race-free, then it is a true negative case. A higher number of true negatives represents a better tool.
- **False Positives (FP):** If the benchmark does not contain any race, but the tool reports a race condition, it is a false positive. False Positives should be as low as possible.
- **False Negatives (FN):** False Negative test result is obtained when the tool fails to detect a known race in the benchmark. These are the cases that are missed by the tool. A lower number of false negatives are desirable.

- **Precision** : Precision is the measure of closeness of the outcomes of prediction. Thus, a higher value of precision represents that the tool will more often than not identify a race condition when it exists.

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

- **Recall** : Recall gives the total number of cases detected out of the maximum data races present. A higher recall value means that there are less chances that a data race is missed by the tool. It is also called true positive rate (TPR).

$$Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

- **Accuracy** : Accuracy gives the chances of correct reports out of all the reports, as the name suggests. A higher value of accuracy is always desired and gives overall measure of the efficacy of the tool.

$$Accuracy = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + FP + TN + FN}$$

- **F1 Score** : The harmonic mean of precision and recall is called the F1 score. An F1 score of 1 can be achieved in the best case when both precision and recall are perfect. The worst case F1 score is 0 when either precision or recall is 0.

$$F1 \text{ Score} = 2 * \frac{\text{Precision} * \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$$

- **Diagnostic odds ratio (DOR)** : It is the ratio of the positive likelihood ratio (LR+) to the negative likelihood ratio (LR-).

$$DOR = \frac{LR+}{LR-} \text{ where,}$$

$$\text{Positive Likelihood Ratio (LR+)} = \frac{TPR}{FPR},$$

$$\text{Negative Likelihood Ratio (LR-)} = \frac{FNR}{TNR},$$

$$\text{True Positive Rate (TPR)} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN},$$

$$\text{False Positive Rate (FPR)} = \frac{FP}{FP + TN},$$

$$\text{False Negative Rate (FNR)} = \frac{FN}{FN + TP} \text{ and}$$

$$\text{True Negative Rate (TNR)} = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

DOR is the measure of the ratio of the odds of race detection being positive given that the test case has a data race, to the odds of race detection being positive given the test case does not have a race.