



# Introduction to OpenMP

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# Common Architectures

- **Shared Memory Architecture**
  - Multiple CPUs share global memory, could have local cache
  - Uniform Memory Access (**UMA**)
  - Typical Shared Memory Programming Model: **OpenMP**, **Pthreads**, ...
- **Distributed Memory Architecture**
  - Each CPU has own memory
  - Non-Uniform Memory Access (**NUMA**)
  - Typical Message Passing Programming Model: **MPI**, ...
- **Hybrid Architecture**
  - **UMA** within one **SMP** node
  - **NUMA** across nodes
  - Typical Hybrid Programming Model: **mixed MPI/OpenMP**, ...

# What is OpenMP

- **OpenMP is an industry standard API of C/C++ and Fortran for shared memory parallel programming.**
  - **OpenMP Architecture Review Board**
    - **Major compiler vendors: PGI, Cray, Intel, Oracle, HP, Fujitsu, Microsoft, AMD, IBM, NEC, Texas Instrument, ...**
    - **Research institutions: cOMPunity, DOE/NASA Labs, Universities...**
- **History of OpenMP Standard**
  - 1997 OpenMP 1.0 for Fortran, 1998 OpenMP 1.0 for C/C++
  - 2000 OpenMP 2.0 for Fortran, 2002 OpenMP 2.0 for C/C++
  - 2005 OpenMP 2.5 for all
  - **2008 OpenMP 3.0 for all**
  - 2010 OpenMP 3.1 draft coming out soon



# OpenMP Programming Model

- **Fork and Join Model**
  - Master thread forks new threads at the beginning of parallel regions.
  - Multiple threads share work in parallel.
  - Threads join at the end of the parallel regions.
- Each thread works on **global shared** and its own **private** variables.
- Threads **synchronize implicitly** by reading and writing shared variables.

# Serial vs. OpenMP

## Serial:

```
void main ()  
{  
    double x(256);  
    for (int i=0; i<256; i++)  
        {  
            some_work(x[i]);  
        }  
}
```

## OpenMP:

```
#include "omp.h"  
Void main ()  
{  
    double x(256);  
    #pragma omp parallel for  
    for (int i=0; i<256; i++)  
        {  
            some_work(x[i]);  
        }  
}
```

**OpenMP is not just parallelizing loops!**  
**It offers a lot more ....**

# Advantages of OpenMP

- **Simple programming model**
  - Data decomposition and communication handled by compiler directives
- **Single source code for serial and parallel codes**
- **No major overwrite of the serial code**
- **Portable implementation**
- **Progressive parallelization**
  - Start from most critical or time consuming part of the code



# OpenMP Components

- **Compiler Directives and Clauses**
  - Interpreted when OpenMP compiler option is turned on.
  - Each directive applies to the succeeding structured block.
- **Runtime Libraries**
- **Environment Variables**



# Compiler Directives

- **Parallel Directive**
  - Fortran: **PARALLEL ... END PARALLEL**
  - C/C++: **parallel**
- **Worksharing Constructs**
  - Fortran: **DO ... END DO, WORKSHARE**
  - C/C++: **for**
  - Both: **sections**
- **Synchronization**
  - **master, single, ordered, flush, atomic**
- **Tasking**
  - **task, taskwait**

# Clauses

- **private (list), shared (list)**
- **firstprivate (list), lastprivate (list)**
- **reduction (operator: list)**
- **schedule (method [, *chunk\_size*])**
- **nowait**
- **if (scalar\_expression)**
- **num\_thread (num)**
- **copyin (list)**
- **ordered**
- **collapse (n)**
- **tie, untie**



# OpenMP Runtime Libraries

- **Number of threads**
- **Thread ID**
- **Scheduling**
- **Dynamic thread adjustment**
- **Nested Parallelism**
- **Active Levels**
- **Locking**
- **Wallclock timer**

# Environment Variables

- **OMP\_NUM\_THREADS**
- **OMP\_SCHEDULE**
- **OMP\_STACKSIZE**
- **OMP\_DYNAMIC**
- **OMP\_NESTED**
- **OMP\_WAIT\_POLICY**
- **OMP\_ACTIVE\_LEVELS**
- **OMP\_THREAD\_LIMIT**

# A Simple OpenMP Program

```
#include <omp.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int main () {
    int tid, nthreads;
    #pragma omp parallel private(tid)
    {
        tid = omp_get_thread_num();
        printf("Hello World from thread %d\n", tid);
    }
    #pragma omp barrier
    if ( tid == 0 ) {
        nthreads = omp_get_num_threads();
        printf("Total threads= %d\n",nthreads);
    }
}
```

## Sample Compile and Run:

```
% pgf90 -mp=nonuma test.f90
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 4
% ./a.out
```

Program main

```
use omp_lib      (or: include "omp_lib.h")
integer :: id, nthreads
!$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(id)
    id = omp_get_thread_num()
    write (*,*) "Hello World from thread", id
!$OMP BARRIER
    if ( id == 0 ) then
        nthreads = omp_get_num_threads()
        write (*,*) "Total threads=",nthreads
    end if
!$OMP END PARALLEL
End program
```

## Sample Output: (no specific order)

```
Hello World from thread      0
Hello World from thread      2
Hello World from thread      3
Hello World from thread      1
Total threads=                4
```

# OpenMP Basic Syntax

- **Fortran: case insensitive**
  - Add: **use omp\_lib** or **include “omp\_lib.h”**
  - Fixed format
    - **Sentinel** directive *[clauses]*
    - **Sentinel** could be: !\$OMP, \*\$OMP, c\$OMP
  - Free format
    - !\$OMP directive *[clauses]*
- **C/C++: case sensitive**
  - **Add: #include “omp.h”**
  - **#pragma omp directive *[clauses] newline***

# The parallel Directive

## **FORTRAN:**

```
!$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(id)
  id = omp_get_thread_num()
  write (*,*) "I am thread", id
!$OMP END PARALLEL
```

## **C/C++:**

```
#pragma omp parallel private(thid)
{
  thid = omp_get_thread_num();
  printf("I am thread %d\n", thid);
}
```

- The **parallel** directive forms a team of thread for parallel execution.
- Each thread executes within the OpenMP parallel region.

# Loop Parallelism

## FORTRAN:

```
!$OMP PARALLEL [Clauses]  
...  
!$OMP DO [Clauses]  
  do i = 1, 1000  
    a (i) = b(i) + c(i)  
  enddo  
!$OMP END DO [NOWAIT]  
...  
!$OMP PARALLEL
```

## C/C++:

```
#pragma omp parallel [clauses]  
{ ...  
  #pragma omp for [clauses]  
  {  
    for (int i=0; i<1000; i++) {  
      a[i] = b[i] + c[i];  
    }  
  }  
...}
```

- Threads share the work in loop parallelism.
- For example, using 4 threads under the default “static” scheduling, in Fortran:
  - thread 1 has i=1-250
  - thread 2 has i=251-500, etc.





# Combined Parallel Worksharing Constructs

## **FORTRAN:**

```
!$OMP PARALLEL DO
  do i = 1, 1000
    a (i) = b(i) + c(i)
  enddo
!$OMP PARALLEL END DO
```

## **C/C++:**

```
#pragma omp parallel for
for (int i=0; i<1000; i++) {
  a[i] = b[i] + c[i];
}
```

## **FORTRAN example:**

```
!$OMP PARALLEL SECTIONS
!$OMP SECTION
  do i = 1, 1000
    c (i) = a(i) + b(i)
  enddo
!$OMP SECTION
  do i = 1, 1000
    d(i) = a(i) * b(i)
  enddo
!$OMP PARALLEL END SECTIONS
```

## **FORTRAN only:**

```
INTEGER N, M
PARAMETER (N=100)
REAL A(N,N), B(N,N), C(N,N), D(N,N)
!$OMP PARALLEL WORKSHARE
  C = A + B
  M = 1
  D = A * B
!$OMP PARALLEL END WORKSHARE
```

# Loop Parallelism: ordered and collapse

## **FORTRAN example:**

```
!$OMP DO ORDERED  
do i = 1, 1000  
  a (i) = b(i) + c(i)  
enddo  
!$OMP END DO
```

## **FORTRAN example:**

```
!$OMP DO COLLAPSE (2)  
do i = 1, 1000  
  do j = 1, 100  
    a(i,j) = b(i,j) + c(i,j)  
  enddo  
enddo  
!$OMP END DO
```

- **ordered** specifies the parallel loop to be executed in the order of the loop iterations.
- **collapse (*n*)** collapse the *n* nested loops into 1, then schedule work for each thread accordingly.

# Loop-based vs. SPMD

## Loop-based:

```
!$OMP PARALLEL DO PRIVATE(i)
!$OMP&          SHARED(a,b,n)
  do I =1, n
    a(i) = a(i) + b(i)
  enddo
!$OMP END PARALLEL DO
```

## SPMD (Single Program Multiple Data):

```
!$OMP PARALLEL DO PRIVATE(start, end, i)
!$OMP&          SHARED(a,b)
  num_thrds = omp_get_num_threads()
  thrd_id = omp_get_thread_num()
  start = n * thrd_id/num_thrds + 1
  end = n * (thrd_num+1)/num_thrds
  do i = start, end
    a(i) = a(i) + b(i)
  enddo
!$OMP END PARALLEL DO
```

**SPMD code normally gives better performance than loop-based code, but is more difficult to implement:**

- Less thread synchronization.
- Less cache misses.
- More compiler optimizations.

# The barrier Directive

## **FORTRAN:**

```
!$OMP PARALLEL
```

```
do i = 1, n  
    a(i) = b(i) + c(i)  
enddo
```

```
!$OMP BARRIER
```

```
do i = 1, n  
    e(i) = a(i) * d(i)  
enddo
```

```
!$OMP END PARALLEL
```

## **C/C++:**

```
#pragma omp parallel  
{  
    ... some work;  
    #pragma omp barrier  
    ... some other work;  
}
```

- **Every thread waits until all threads arrive at the barrier.**
- **Barrier makes sure all the shared variables are (explicitly) synchronized.**

# The critical Directive

## **FORTRAN:**

```
!$OMP PARALLEL SHARED (x)
  ... some work ...
!$OMP CRITICAL [name]
  x = x + 1.0
!$OMP END CRITICAL
  ... some other work ...
!$OMP END PARALLEL
```

## **C/C++:**

```
#pragma omp parallel shared (x)
{
  #pragma omp critical
  {
    x = x + 1.0;
  }
}
```

- Each thread executes the **critical** region one at a time.
- Multiple **critical** regions with no name are considered as one **critical** region: single thread execution at a time.

# The master and single Directives

## **FORTRAN:**

```
!$OMP MASTER  
    ... some work ...  
!$OMP END MASTER
```

## **C/C++:**

```
#pragma omp master  
{  
    ... some work ...  
}
```

## **FORTRAN:**

```
!$OMP SINGLE  
    ... some work ...  
!$OMP END SINGLE
```

## **C/C++:**

```
#pragma omp single  
{  
    ... some work ...  
}
```

- **Master region:**
  - Only the master threads executes the MASTER region.
  - No implicit barrier at the end of the MASTER region.
- **Single region:**
  - First thread arrives the SINGLE region executes this region.
  - All threads wait: implicit barrier at end of the SINGLE region.



# The atomic and flush Directives

## **FORTRAN:**

```
!$OMP ATOMIC
```

```
... some memory update ...
```

## **C/C++:**

```
#pragma omp atomic
```

```
... some memory update ...
```

## **FORTRAN:**

```
!$OMP FLUSH [(var_list)]
```

## **C/C++:**

```
#pragma omp flush [(var_list)]
```

- **Atomic:**
  - Only applies to the immediate following statement.
  - Atomic memory update: avoids simultaneous updates from multiple threads to the same memory location.
- **Flush:**
  - Makes sure a thread's temporary view to be consistent with the memory.
  - Applies to all thread visible variables if no *var\_list* is provided.

# Data Scope

- **Most variables are shared by default:**
  - Fortran: common blocks, SAVE variables, module variables
  - C/C++: file scope variables, static
  - Both: dynamically allocated variables
- **Some variables are private by default:**
  - Certain loop indexes
  - Stack variables in subroutines or functions called from parallel regions
  - Automatic (local) variables within a statement block



# The firstprivate Clause

**FORTTRAN Example:**  
(from OpenMP spec 3.0)

```
PROGRAM MAIN
  INTEGER I, J
  I = 1
  J = 2
  !$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(I)
  !$OMP& FIRSTPRIVATE(J)
  I = 3
  J = J + 2
  !$OMP END PARALLEL
  PRINT*, I, J  ! I=1,J=2
END PROGRAM
```

- Declares the variables in the list private
- Initializes the variables in the list with the value when they **first enter** the construct.

# The lastprivate Clause

## **FORTRAN example:**

(from OpenMP spec 3.0)

```
program test
!$OMP parallel
!$OMP do private(j,k) collapse(2)
!$OMP& lastprivate(jlast, klast)
  do k = 1, 2
  do j = 1, 3
    jlast = j
    klast = k
  enddo
  enddo
!$OMP end do
!$OMP single
  print *, klast, jlast  !prints 2 and 3
!$OMP end single
!$OMP end parallel
end program test
```

- Declares the variables in the list private
- Updates the variables in the list with the value when they **last exit** the construct.

# The threadprivate and copyin Clauses

## **FORTTRAN Example:**

(from OpenMP spec 3.0)

```
SUBROUTINE A25  
  COMMON /T/ A  
  !$OMP THREADPRIVATE(/T/)  
  
  CONTAINS  
    SUBROUTINE B25  
      COMMON /T/ A  
      !$OMP THREADPRIVATE(/T/)  
      ... some work ...  
      !$OMP PARALLEL COPYIN(/T/)  
      !$OMP END PARALLEL  
    END SUBROUTINE B25  
  
  END SUBROUTINE A25
```

- A **threadprivate** variable has its own copies of the global variables and common blocks.
- The **copyin** clause: copies the **threadprivate** variables from master thread to each local thread.

# The reduction Clause

## C/C++ example:

```
int i;  
#pragma omp parallel reduction(*:i)  
{  
    i=omp_get_num_threads();  
}  
printf("result=%d\n",i);
```

## Fortran example:

```
sum = 0.0  
!$OMP parallel reduction (+: sum)  
do i =1, n  
    sum = sum + x(i)  
enddo  
!$OMP end do  
!$OMP end parallel
```

- **Syntax: Reduction (operator : list).**
- **Reduces list of variables into one, using operator.**
- **Reduced variables must be shared variables.**
- **Allowed Operators:**
  - **Arithmetic:** + - \* / # add, subtract, multiply, divide
  - **Fortran intrinsic:** max min
  - **Bitwise:** & | ^ # and, or, xor
  - **Logical:** && || # and, or

# The schedule Clause

- **Static:** Loops are divided into *#thrds* partitions.
- **Guided:** Loops are divided into progressively smaller chunks until the chunk size is 1.
- **Dynamic, #chunk:** Loops are divided into chunks containing *#chunk* iterations.
- **Auto:** The compiler (or runtime system) decides what to use.
- **Runtime:** Use `OMP_SCHEDULE` environment variable to determine at run time.

# The task and taskwait Directives

## Serial:

```
int fib (int n)
{
  int x, y;
  if (n < 2) return n;
  x = fib (n - 1);
  y = fib (n - 2);
  return x+y;
}
```

## OpenMP:

```
int fib (int n) {
  int x,y;
  if (n < 2) return n;
  #pragma omp task shared (x)
  x = fib (n - 1);
  #pragma omp task shared (y)
  y = fib (n - 2);
  #pragma omp taskwait
  return x+y;
}
```

- Major OpenMP 3.0 addition. Flexible and powerful.
- The **task** directive defines an explicit task.
- Threads share work from all tasks in the task pool.
- The **taskwait** directive makes sure all child tasks created for the current task finish.

# Some Runtime Functions

- `omp_{set,get}_num_threads`
- `omp_get_thread_num`
- `omp_{set,get}_dynamic`
- `omp_in_parallel`
- `omp_{init,set,unset}_lock`
- `omp_get_thread_limit`
- Timing routine: `omp_get_wtime`
  - thread private
  - call function twice, use difference between end time and start time

# OMP\_STACK\_SIZE

- **OMP\_STACK\_SIZE** defines the private stack space each thread has.
- Default value is implementation dependent, and is usually quite small.
- Behavior is undefined if run out of space, mostly segmentation fault.
- To change, set **OMP\_STACK\_SIZE** to **n** (B,K,M,G) bytes. For example:

**setenv OMP\_STACK\_SIZE 16M**





# Compile OpenMP on Franklin and Hopper

- **Use compiler wrappers:**
  - ftn for Fortran codes
  - cc for C codes
  - CC for C++ codes
- **Portland Group Compilers**
  - Add compiler option “-mp=nonuma”
  - For example: % ftn -mp=nonuma mycode.f90
  - Supports OpenMP 3.0 from pgi/8.0



# Compile OpenMP on Franklin and Hopper (2)

- **Pathscale Compilers**
  - % module swap PrgEnv-pgi PrgEnv-pathscale
  - Add compiler option “-mp”
  - For example: % ftn -mp=nonuma mycode.f90
- **GNU Compilers**
  - % module swap PrgEnv-pgi PrgEnv-gnu
  - Add compiler option “-fopenmp”
  - For example: % ftn -fopenmp mycode.f90
  - Supports OpenMP 3.0 from gcc/4.4



# Compile OpenMP on Franklin and Hopper (3)

- **Cray Compilers**
  - % module swap PrgEnv-pgi PrgEnv-cray
  - No additional compiler option needed
  - For example: % ftn mycode.f90
  - Supports OpenMP 3.0



# Run OpenMP on Franklin

- Each Franklin node has 4 cores with UMA.
- Use max 4 OpenMP threads per node.
- Interactive batch jobs:
  - Pure OpenMP example, using 4 OpenMP threads:
    - `% qsub -l -V -q interactive`
      - `-lmppwidth=1,mppnppn=1,mppdepth=4`
    - (Note: The above command should be in the same line)
    - wait for a new shell
    - `% cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR`
    - `setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 4`
    - `setenv PSC_OMP_AFFINITY FALSE` (*note: for Pathscale only*)
    - `% aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 4 ./mycode.exe`
- Change PBS `mppwidth` and `aprun -n` options to number of MPI tasks for hybrid MPI/OpenMP jobs.

# Run OpenMP on Franklin (2)

## Sample batch script:

(pure OpenMP example,  
using 4 OpenMP threads)

```
#PBS -q debug
#PBS -l mppwidth=1
#PBS -l mppnppn=1
#PBS -l mppdepth=4
#PBS -l walltime=00:10:00
#PBS -j eo
#PBS -V
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 4
aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 4 ./mycode.exe
```

- Run batch jobs:
  - Prepare a batch script first
  - Pure OpenMP example:
    - % qsub myscript
- If using pathscale:
  - setenv PSC\_OMP\_AFFINITY FALSE
- Hybrid MPI/OpenMP
  - 2 Franklin nodes, 2 MPI tasks,  
4 threads per MPI task:
    - request mppwidth=2
    - % aprun -n 2 -N 1 -d 4  
./mycode.exe



# Run OpenMP on Hopper

- This is about Hopper2, not the current Hopper1.
- Each Hopper node has 4 NUMA nodes, each with 6 UMA cores.
- Recommend to use max 6 OpenMP threads per NUMA node, and MPI across NUMA nodes. (although up to 24 OpenMP threads per Hopper node possible).
- Interactive batch jobs:
  - Pure OpenMP example, using 6 OpenMP threads:
  - `% qsub -l -V -q interactive -lmpwidth=24`
  - wait for a new shell
  - `% cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR`
  - `setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 6`
  - `setenv PSC_OMP_AFFINITY FALSE` (*note: for Pathscale only*)
  - `% aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 6 ./mycode.exe`
- Hybrid MPI/OpenMP:
  - 1 Hopper node, 4 MPI tasks, 6 OpenMP threads per MPI task:
  - `% aprun -n 4 -N 4 -S 1 -ss -d 6 ./mycode.exe`



## Run OpenMP on Hopper (2)

### Sample batch script:

(pure OpenMP example,  
Using 6 OpenMP threads)

```
#PBS -q debug
#PBS -l mppwidth=24
#PBS -l walltime=00:10:00
#PBS -j eo
#PBS -V
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 6

#uncomment this line for pathscale
#setenv PSC_OMP_AFFINITY FALSE

aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 6 ./mycode.exe
```

- Run batch jobs:
  - Prepare a batch script first
  - Pure OpenMP example:
    - % qsub myscript
- Hybrid MPI/OpenMP
  - 1 Hopper node, 4 MPI tasks, 6 OpenMP threads per MPI task:
    - % aprun -n 4 -N 4 -S 1 -ss -d 6 ./mycode.exe
  - 2 Hopper nodes, 8 MPI tasks, 6 threads per MPI task:
    - #PBS -l mppwidth=48
      - 24 cores/node \*2 nodes
    - % aprun -n 4 -N 4 -S 1 -ss -d 6 ./mycode.exe



# Compile OpenMP on Carver

- **Use compiler wrappers:**
  - mpif90 for Fortran codes
  - mpicc for C codes
  - mpiCC for C++ codes
- **Portland Group Compilers**
  - Add compiler option “-mp=nonuma”
  - For example: % mpif90 -mp=nonuma mycode.f90
  - Supports OpenMP 3.0 from pgi/8.0



## Compile on Carver (2)

- **GNU Compilers**
  - % module unload pgi openmpi
  - % module load gcc openmpi-gcc
  - Add compiler option “-fopenmp”
  - For example: % mpif90 –fopenmp mycode.f90
  - Supports OpenMP 3.0 from gcc/4.4
- **Intel Compilers**
  - % module unload pgi openmpi
  - % module load intel openmpi-intel
  - Add compiler option “-openmp”
  - For example: % mpif90 –openmp mycode.f90
  - Supports OpenMP 3.0 from intel/11.0

# Run OpenMP on Carver

- Each Carver node has 8 cores with UMA.
- Use max 8 OpenMP threads per node.
- Interactive batch jobs:
  - Pure OpenMP example, using 8 OpenMP threads:
  - `% qsub -I -V -q interactive -lnodes=1:ppn=1,pvmem=20GB`
  - wait for a new shell
  - `% cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR`
  - `setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 8`
  - `% mpirun -np 1 ./mycode.exe`
- Change PBS `nodes:ppn`, `pvmem` and `mpirun -np` options for hybrid MPI/OpenMP jobs.

# Run OpenMP on Carver (2)

**Sample batch script:**  
(pure OpenMP example,  
using 4 OpenMP threads)

```
#PBS -q debug
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=1
#PBS -l pvmem=20GB
#PBS -l walltime=00:10:00
#PBS -j eo
#PBS -V
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 8
mpirun -np 1 ./mycode.exe
```

- **Run batch jobs:**
  - Prepare a batch script first
  - Pure OpenMP example:
    - % qsub myscript
- **Hybrid MPI/OpenMP**
  - **1 Carver node, 2 MPI tasks, 4 OpenMP threads per MPI task:**
    - #PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=2
    - #PBS -l pvmem=10GB
    - Setenv OMP\_NUM\_THREADS 4
    - % mpirun -np 2 ./mycode.exe
  - **2 Carver nodes, 2 MPI tasks, 8 threads per MPI task:**
    - #PBS -l nodes=2:ppn=1
    - #PBS -l pvmem=20GB
    - Setenv OMP\_NUM\_THREADS 8
    - % aprun -np 2 ./mycode.exe

# Performance Results

Jacobi OpenMP	Execution Time (sec)	Speedup
1 thread	121	1
2 threads	63	1.92
4 threads	36	3.36

- **Why not perfect speedup?**
  - Serial code sections not parallelized
  - Thread creation and synchronization overhead
  - Memory bandwidth
  - Memory access with cache coherence
  - Load balancing
  - Not enough work for each thread

# General Programming Tips

- **Start from an optimized serial version.**
- **Gradually add OpenMP, check progress, add barriers.**
- **Decide which loop to parallelize. Better to parallelize outer loop. Decide whether loop permutation, fusion, exchange or collapse is needed.**
- **Use different OpenMP task scheduling options.**
- **Adjust environment variables.**
- **Choose between loop-based or SPMD.**
- **Minimize shared, maximize private, minimize barriers.**
- **Minimize parallel constructs, if possible use combined constructs.**
- **Take advantage of debugging tools: totalview, DDT, etc.**

# OpenMP vs. MPI

## – Pure OpenMP Pro:

- Easy to implement parallelism
- Low latency, high bandwidth
- Implicit Communication
- Coarse and fine granularity
- Dynamic load balancing

## – Pure OpenMP Con:

- Only on shared memory machines
- Scale within one node
- Possible data placement problem
- No specific thread order

## – Pure MPI Pro:

- Portable to distributed and shared memory machines.
- Scales beyond one node
- No data placement problem

## – Pure MPI Con:

- Difficult to develop and debug
- High latency, low bandwidth
- Explicit communication
- Large granularity
- Difficult load balancing

# Why Hybrid MPI/OpenMP

- Hybrid MPI/OpenMP paradigm is the **software trend** for clusters of SMP architectures.
- Elegant in concept and architecture: using **MPI across nodes** and **OpenMP within nodes**. Good usage of shared memory system resource (memory, latency, and bandwidth).
- **Avoids the extra communication overhead with MPI within node.**
- OpenMP adds **fine granularity** (larger message sizes) and allows **increased and/or dynamic load balancing**.
- Some problems have two-level parallelism naturally.
- Some problems could only use restricted number of MPI tasks.
- **Possible better scalability** than both pure MPI and pure OpenMP.



# OpenMP Exercises

- On NERSC machines: Franklin, Hopper2, and Carver:
  - % module load training
  - % cd \$EXAMPLES/OpenMP/tutorial
- Try to understand, compile and run available examples.
  - Examples prepared by Richard Gerber, Mike Stewart, Helen He
- Have fun!



# Further References

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