

# Introduction to OpenMP

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## 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...
  - Current standard: 3.0, released in 2008.
  - 3.1 draft just came out today for public comment.







## **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







## **OpenMP Programming Model**

- Fork and Join Model
  - Master thread only for all serial regions.
  - 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]);
        }
}</pre>
```

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

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 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







# **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







## **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)
- threadprivate(list), copyin (list)
- ordered
- collapse (n)
- tie, untie
- And more ...







### **Runtime Libraries**

- Number of threads: omp\_{set,get}\_num\_threads
- Thread ID: omp\_get\_thread\_num
- Scheduling: omp\_{set,get}\_dynamic
- Nested parallelism: omp\_in\_parallel
- Locking: omp\_{init,set,unset}\_lock
- Active levels: omp\_get\_thread\_limit
- Wallclock Timer: omp\_get\_wtime
  - thread private
  - call function twice, use difference between end time and start time
- And more ...







## **Environment Variables**

- OMP\_NUM\_THREADS
- OMP\_SCHEDULE
- OMP\_STACKSIZE
- OMP\_DYNAMIC
- OMP\_NESTED
- OMP\_WAIT\_POLICY
- OMP\_ACTIVE\_LEVELS
- OMP\_THREAD\_LIMIT
- And more ...







## 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 threads for parallel execution.
- Each thread executes within the OpenMP parallel region.







# A Simple Hello\_World OpenMP Program

```
C/C++:
#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);
```

```
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
```







# Compile OpenMP on Hopper

### Use compiler wrappers:

- ftn for Fortran codes
- cc for C codes, CC for C++ codes
- Portland Group Compilers
  - Add compiler option "-mp=nonuma"
  - % ftn –mp=nonuma mycode.f90
  - Supports OpenMP 3.0 from pgi/8.0
- Pathscale Compilers
  - % module swap PrgEnv-pgi PrgEnv-pathscale
  - Add compiler option "-mp"
  - % ftn –mp=nonuma mycode.f90







# Compile OpenMP on Hopper (2)

## GNU Compilers

- % module swap PrgEnv-pgi PrgEnv-gnu
- Add compiler option "-fopenmp"
- % ftn –fopenmp mycode.f90
- Supports OpenMP 3.0 from gcc/4.4

### Cray Compilers

- % module swap PrgEnv-pgi PrgEnv-cray
- No additional compiler option needed
- % ftn mycode.f90
- Supports OpenMP 3.0







## Run OpenMP on Hopper

- Each Hopper node has 4 NUMA nodes, each with 6 UMA cores.
- Pure OpenMP code could use up to 24 threads per node.
- Interactive batch jobs:
  - Pure OpenMP example, using 6 OpenMP threads:
  - % qsub –I –V –q interactive –Imppwidth=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







# 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
  - % qsub myscript
- Notice to use for pathscale:
  - setenv PSC OMP AFFINITY FALSE







### First Hands-on Exercise

#### **Get the Source Codes:**

% cp -r /project/projecdirs/training/XE6-feb-2011/openmp.

#### **Compile and Run:**

```
% cd openmp
% ftn -mp=nonuma -o hello_world hello_world.f90
(or % cc -mp=nonuma -o hello_world hello_world.c)
% qsub -V -I -q interactive -Imppwidth=24
...
% cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 6 (for csh/tcsh)
(or % export OMP_NUM_THREADS=6 for bash/ksh)
% aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 6 ./hello_world
```

#### Sample Output: (no specific order)

```
Hello World from thread 0
Hello World from thread 2
Hello World from thread 4
Hello World from thread 3
Hello World from thread 5
Hello World from thread 1
Total threadon 6
```







## **Loop Parallelism**

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

- 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];
}</pre>
```

#### **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
```







## 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.







## **Second Hands-on Exercise**

#### Sample codes: schedule.f90

- -- Experiment with different number of threads.
- -- Run this example multiple times.

```
% ftn -mp=nonuma -o schedule schedule.f90
% qsub -V -I -q debug -Imppwidth=24
...
% cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 3
% aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 4 ./schedule
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 6
...
```

- -- Compare scheduling results with different scheduling algorithm.
- -- Results change with dynamic schedule at different runs.







## **Third Hands-on Exercise**

#### Sample code: sections.f90

- -- Experiment with different number of threads.
- -- Run this example multiple times.

```
% ftn -mp=nonuma -o sections.f90
% qsub -V -I -q debug -Imppwidth=24
...
% cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 3
% aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 3 ./sections
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 5
% aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 5 ./sections
```

- -- What happens when more sections than threads?
- -- What happens when more threads than sections?







# 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 loopbased code, but is more difficult to implement:

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







## 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





# Synchronization: the barrier Directive

```
!$OMP PARALLEL
  do i = 1, n
     a(i) = b(i) + c(i)
  enddo
!$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.







# Synchronization: the critical Directive

```
!$OMP PARALLEL SHARED (x)
... some work ...
!$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.







# Synchronization: the master and single Directives

#### **FORTRAN:**

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

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

```
C/C++:
#pragma omp master
{
    ... some work ...
}
```

```
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.





# Synchronization: the atomic and flush Directives

#### **FORTRAN:**

**!\$OMP ATOMIC** 

... some memory update ...

#### **FORTRAN:**

!\$OMP FLUSH [(var\_list)]

#### C/C++:

#pragma omp atomic

... some memory update ...

#### 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.







# **Thread Safety**

- In general, IO operations, general OS functionality, common library functions may not be thread safe.
   They should be performed by one thread only or serialized.
- Avoid race condition in OpenMP program.
  - Race condition: Multiple threads are updating the same shared variable simultaneously.
  - Use "critical" directive
  - Use "atomic" directive
  - Use "reduction" directive







### **Fourth Hands-on Exercise**

Sample codes: pi.c, pi\_omp\_wrong.c, pi\_omp1.c, pi\_omp2.c, pi\_omp3.c

- -- Understand different versions of calculating pi.
- -- Understand the race condition in pi\_omp\_wrong.c
- -- Run multiple times with different number of threads

% qsub pi.pbs

```
Or:
% ftn -mp=nonuma -o pi_omp3.f90
% qsub -V -I -q debug -Imppwidth=24
...
% cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 16
% aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 16 ./pi_omp3
```

- -- Race condition generates different results.
- -- Needs critical or atomic for memory updates.
- -- Reduction is an efficient solution.







## **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







# Data Sharing: the firstprivate Clause

#### **FORTRAN Example:**

```
PROGRAM MAIN

USE OMP_LIB

INTEGER I

I = 1

!$OMP PARALLEL FIRSTPRIVATE(I) &
!$OMP PRIVATE(tid)

I = I + 2 ! I=3

tid = OMP_GET_THREAD_NUM()

if (tid ==1) PRINT *, I ! I=3

!$OMP END PARALLEL

PRINT *, I ! I=1

END PROGRAM
```

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







# Data Sharing: the lastprivate Clause

#### **FORTRAN** example:

```
Program main
Real A(100)
!$OMP parallel shared (A) &
!$OMP do lastprivate(i)
DO I = 1, 100
   A(I) = I + 1
ENDDO
!$OMP end do
!$OMP end parallel
   PRINT*, I ! I=101
end program
```

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







# Data Sharing: the threadprivate and copyin Clauses

#### **FORTRAN Example:**

```
PROGRAM main
use OMP LIB
   INTEGER tid, K
   COMMON /T/K
!$OMP THREADPRIVATE(/T/)
   K = 1
!$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(tid) COPYIN(/T/)
   PRINT *, "thread ", tid, ", K= ", K
   tid = omp get thread num()
   K = tid + K
   PRINT *, "thread ", tid, ", K= ", K
!$OMP END PARALLEL
!$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(tid)
   tid = omp get thread num()
   PRINT *, "thread ", tid, ", K= ", K
!$OMP END PARALLEL
END PROGRAM main
```

- A threadprivate variable has its own copies of the global variables and common blocks.
- A threadprivate variable has its scope across multiple parallel regions, unlike a private variable.
- The copyin clause: copies the threadprivate variables from master thread to each local thread.







# Tasking: 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;
}</pre>
```

```
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;
}</pre>
```

- 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.







# **Thread Affinity**

- Thread affinity: forces each thread to run on a specific subset of processors, to take advantage of local process state.
- Current OpenMP standard has no specification for thread affinity.
- On Cray XE6, there is aprun command option "-cc":
  - -cc cpu (default): Each PE's thread is constrained to the CPU closest to the PE.
  - -cc numa\_node: Each PE's thread is constrained to the same NUMA node CPUs.
  - -cc none: Each thread is not binded to a specific CPU.







## OMP\_STACKSIZE

- OMP\_STACKSIZE 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\_STACKSIZE to n (B,K,M,G) bytes. For example:
  - setenv OMP\_STACKSIZE 16M







## Fifth Hands-on Exercise

Sample codes: jacobi\_serial.f90 and jacobi\_omp.f90

- -- Check the OpenMP features used in the real code.
- -- Understand code speedup.

% qsub jacobi.pbs

```
Or:
```

% ftn -mp=nonuma -o jacobi\_omp.f90

% qsub –V –I –q debug –Imppwidth=24

. . .

% cd \$PBS\_O\_WORKDIR

% setenv OMP\_NUM\_THREADS 6

% aprun –n 1 –N 1 –d 6 ./jacobi\_omp

% setenv OMP\_NUM\_THREADS 12

% aprun -n 1 -N 1 -d 12 ./jacobi\_omp

-- Why not perfect speedup?







## **Performance Results**

Jacobi OpenMP	Execution Time (sec)	Speedup	Execution Time (sec) (larger input)	Speedup (larger input)
1 thread	21.7	1	668	1
2 threads	11.1	1.96	337	1.98
4 threads	6.0	3.62	171	3.91
6 threads	4.3	5.05	116	5.76
12 threads	2.7	8.03	60	11.13
24 threads	1.8	12.05	36	18.56

- 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.







## More OpenMP Examples

- 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, and Helen He
- Have fun!







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