INTRODUCTION TO OPENMP & OPENACC

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Outline

- Introduction to OpenMP (for CPUs)
- Introduction to OpenACC (for GPUs)

Introduction to OpenMP (for CPUs)

- Types of parallel machines
 - Distributed memory
 - each processor has its own memory address space
 - variable values are independent
 - x = 2 on one processor, x = 3 on a different processor
 - example: among nodes of the SCC
 - Shared memory
 - also called Symmetric Multiprocessing (SMP)
 - typically, parallel computing units are threads (or cores)
 - single address space for all threads
 - If one thread sets x = 2, x will also equal 2 on other threads (unless specified otherwise)
 - example: cores within each SCC node

Shared vs. Distributed Memory



Shared Computing Cluster (SCC)



shared

shared

Memories shared within each node. Memories not shared (distributed) among nodes.

What is OpenMP?

- Application Programming Interface (API) for *multithreaded* parallelism consists of
 - Compiler directives (placed in source code by programmer)
 - Runtime utility functions and header files
 - Environment variables
- Languages supported: FORTRAN, C, C++
- Advantages
 - Easy to use
 - Incremental parallelization
 - Flexible -- from coarse grain to fine grain (loop level)
 - Portable -- on any SMP machine (*e.g.*, each individual SCC node)
- Disadvantages
 - Shared-memory systems only (*i.e.*, not across SCC nodes)

Basics

- Goal distribute work among threads
- Two methods to be discussed
 - Loop-level
 - Specific loops are parallelized
 - Used in automatic parallelization tools, like MATLAB PCT
 - Parallel regions
 - Also called "coarse-grained parallelism"

Basics (cont'd)





Parallel regions

Directive format

FORTRAN

!\$omp parallel do default(none) private(i,j,k) shared(a,b,c,n)
c\$omp parallel do default(none) private(i,j,k) shared(a,b,c,n)

C/C++
 #pragma omp parallel for default(none) private(i,j,k) shared(a,b,c,n)
 f
 f
 directive name
 clauses (optional)

parallel for (parallel do) directive

• parallel do (Fortran) or parallel for (C) directive

!\$omp parallel do
do i = 1, maxi
 c(i) = a(i) + b(i)
enddo
!\$omp end parallel do

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

Use "c\$" for fixed-format Fortran

- Suppose maxi = 1000 and 4 threads are available Thread 0 gets i = 1 to 250 Thread 1 gets i = 251 to 500 Thread 2 gets i = 501 to 750 Thread 3 gets i = 751 to 1000
- Barrier (synchronization) imposed at end of loop

workshare

- For Fortran 90/95 array syntax, the parallel workshare directive is analogous to parallel do
- Previous example would be:

!\$omp parallel workshare
c = a + b
!\$omp end parallel workshare

- Also works for forall and where statements
- No equivalent directive for C/C++

Shared vs. Private

- In parallel region, variables are *shared* by default
- Loop indices are always *private* by default
- What is wrong with the following code segment ?

```
ifirst = 10  ! shared by all threads
!$omp parallel do
do i = 1, maxi  ! i is private
    i2 = 2*i  ! i2 is shared
    j(i) = ifirst + i2 ! j also shared
enddo
!$omp end parallel do
```

Shared vs. Private (cont'd)

Need to declare i2 with a private clause

```
ifirst = 10  !shared by all threads
!$omp parallel do private(i2)
do i = 1, maxi  ! i is private
    i2 = 2*i    ! i2 different on each thread
    j(i) = ifirst + i2
enddo
!$omp end parallel do
```

```
ifirst = 10;
#pragma omp parallel for private(i2)
for(i = 0; i < maxi; i++) { // i is private
    i2 = 2*i;    // i2 different on each thread
    j[i] = ifirst + i2;
}
```

Data Dependencies

- Data on one thread can be dependent on data on another thread
- This can result in wrong answers
 - thread 0 may require a variable that is calculated on thread 1
 - answer depends on timing When thread 0 does the calculation, has thread 1 calculated it's value yet?

Data Dependencies (cont'd)

• Example – Fibonacci Sequence 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, ...

```
a(1) = 0

a(2) = 1

do i = 3, 100

a(i) = a(i-1) + a(i-2)

enddo
```

Lets parallelize on 2 threads.

Thread 0 gets i = 3 to 51 Thread 1 gets i = 52 to 100

Follow calculation for i = 52 on thread 1. What will be values of *a* at i -1 and i - 2 ?

```
a[1] = 0;
a[2] = 1;
for(i = 3; i <= 100; i++) {
    a[i] = a[i-1] + a[i-2];
}
```

More clauses

- Can make private the default rather than shared
 - Fortran only
 - handy if most of the variables are private
 - can use continuation characters for long lines

```
ifirst = 10
!$omp parallel do &
!$omp default(private) &
!$omp shared(ifirst,maxi,j)
do i = 1, maxi
    i2 = 2*i
    j(i) = ifirst + i2
enddo
!$omp end parallel do
```

More clauses (cont'd)

Can use default none

- Must declare all variables' status (forces you to account for them)
- Any variable not declared will receive a complaint from compiler .

More clauses (3)

```
ifirst = 10
!$omp parallel do &
!$omp default(none) &
!$omp shared(ifirst,maxi,j) private(i2)
do i = 1, maxi
    i2 = 2*i
    j(i) = ifirst + i2
enddo
!$omp end parallel do
```

Firstprivate

• Suppose we need a running total for each index value on each thread

iper = 0
do i = 1, maxi
 iper = iper + 1
 j(i) = iper
enddo

```
iper = 0;
for(i = 0; i < maxi; i++){
    iper = iper + 1;
    j[i] = iper;
}
```

• if **iper** were declared **private**, the initial value would not be carried into the loop

Firstprivate (cont'd)

- Solution firstprivate clause
- Creates private memory location for each thread
- Copies value from master thread (thread 0) to each memory location

```
iper = 0
!$omp parallel do &
!$omp firstprivate(iper)
do i = 1, maxi
    iper = iper + 1
    j(i) = iper
enddo
!$omp end parallel do
```

```
iper = 0;
#pragma omp parallel for \
    firstprivate(iper)
for(i = 0; i < maxi; i++){
    iper = iper + 1;
    j[i] = iper;
}</pre>
```

Lastprivate

- saves value corresponding to the last loop index
 - "last" in the serial sense

```
!$omp parallel do lastprivate(i)
do i = 1, maxi
    a(i) = b(i)
enddo
a(i) = b(1)
!$omp end parallel do
```

```
#pragma omp parallel for lastprivate(i)
for(i = 0; i < maxi; i++){
    a[i] = b[i];
}
a[i] = b[0];</pre>
```

Reduction

- Following example won't parallelize correctly
 - different threads may try to write to s simultaneously

```
s = 0.0
!$omp parallel do
do i = 1, maxi
   s = s + a(i)
Enddo
!$omp end parallel do
```

```
s = 0.0;
#pragma omp parallel for
for(i = 0; i < maxi; i++){
    s = s + a[i];
}
```

Reduction (cont'd)

Solution is to use the reduction clause

```
s = 0.0
!$omp parallel do reduction(+:s)
do i = 1, maxi
   s = s + a(i)
enddo
!$omp end parallel do
```

```
s = 0;
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+:s)
for(i = 0; i < maxi; i++){
    s = s + a[i];
}
```

- each thread performs its own reduction (sum, in this case)
- results from all threads are automatically reduced (summed) at the end of the loop

Reduction (3)

- Fortran operators/intrinsics: MAX, MIN, IAND, IOR, IEOR, +, *, -, .AND., .OR., .EQV., .NEQV.
- C operators: +, *, -, /, &, ^, |, &&, ||
- roundoff error may be different than serial case



Conditional Compilation

- For C, C++: conditional compilation performed with _OPENMP macro name (defined during compilation with OpenMP turned on*)
 - #ifdef _OPENMP

... do stuff ...

#endif

- For Fortran: there are two alternatives
 - The above for C works if fortran file named with suffix .F90 or .F
 - Source lines start with !\$ become active with OpenMP turned on*
 !\$ print*, 'number of procs =', nprocs
 - * How to turn on OpenMP is discussed in Compile and Run page.

Basic OpenMP Functions

- omp_get_thread_num()
 - returns current thread ID; effective inside parallel region
- omp_set_num_threads(nthreads)
 - subroutine in Fortran
 - sets number of threads in next parallel region to nthreads
 - overrides OMP_NUM_THREADS environment variable
 - Effective outside parallel region
- omp_get_num_threads()
 - returns number of threads in current parallel region

Some Tips

- OpenMP will do what you tell it to do
 - If you try to parallelize a loop with a dependency, it will go ahead and do it! (but gives wrong answer)
- Generally, no benefit to parallelize short/shallow loops
- Maximize number of operations performed in parallel
 - parallelize outer loops where possible
- For Fortran, add "use omp_lib" to include header
- For C, header file is omp.h

Compile and Run on SCC

- Portland Group compilers:
 - Compile with -mp flag to turn on OpenMP
 - scc1% pgfortran –o myprog myprog.f90 –mp –O3
 - scc1% pgcc –o myprog myprog.c –mp –O3
- GNU compilers:
 - Compile with -fopenmp flag to turn on OpenMP
 - scc1% gfortran –o myprog myprog.f90 –fopenmp –O3
 - scc1% gcc –o myprog myprog.c –fopenmp –O3
- Run interactive job (up to 16 threads; 4 on login node)
 - scc1% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 4
 - scc1% myprog

Parallel

• parallel do/for can be separated into two directives.

```
!$omp parallel do
do i = 1, maxi
        a(i) = b(i)
enddo
!$omp end parallel do
```

```
#pragma omp parallel for
for(i=0; i<maxi; i++){
    a[i] = b[i];
}</pre>
```

is the same as

```
!$omp parallel
!$omp do
do i = 1, maxi
    a(i) = b(i)
enddo
!$omp end parallel
```

```
#pragma omp parallel
#pragma omp for
for(i=0; i<maxi; i++){
    a[i] = b[i];
}</pre>
```

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Parallel (cont'd)

- Note that an end parallel directive is required.
- end do not needed
- Everything within the parallel region will run in parallel.
- The do/for directive indicates that the loop indices will be distributed among threads rather than duplicating every index on every thread.

Parallel (3)

• Multiple loops in parallel region:

```
#pragma omp parallel
!$omp parallel
                              #pragma omp for
!$omp do
                              for(i=0; i<maxi; i++) {</pre>
do i = 1, maxi
                                 a[i] = b[i];
   a(i) = b(i)
enddo
                              }
!$omp do
                              #pragma omp for
                              for(i=0; i<maxi; i++) {</pre>
do i = 1, maxi
                                  c[i] = a[2];
   c(i) = a(2)
enddo
!$omp end parallel
                              #pragma omp end parallel
```

- parallel directive has a significant overhead associated with it.
- The above example has the potential to be faster than using two parallel do/parallel for directives.

Coarse-Grain Parallelism

- OpenMP is not restricted to loop-level, or finegrained, parallelism.
- The !\$omp parallel or #pragma omp parallel directive duplicates subsequent code within its scope on all threads.
- Parallelization similar to MPI style.

Coarse-Grain Parallelism (cont'd)

```
!$omp parallel &
!$omp private(myid,istart,iend,nthreads,nper)
nthreads = omp_get_num_threads()
nper = maxi/nthreads
myid = omp_get_thread_num()
istart = myid*nper + 1
iend = istart + nper - 1
call do_work(istart,iend)
do i = istart, iend
    c(i) = a(i)*b(i) + ...
enddo
!$omp end parallel
```

```
#pragma omp parallel \
#pragma omp private(myid,istart,iend,nthreads,nper)
nthreads = omp_get_num_threads();
nper = maxi/nthreads;
myid = omp_get_thread_num();
istart = myid*nper;
iend = istart + nper - 1;
do_work(istart,iend);
for(i=istart; i<=iend; i++){
    c[i] = a[i]*b[i] + ...
}</pre>
```



Thread Control Directives

Barrier

barrier synchronizes threads

```
!$omp parallel private(myid,istart,iend)
call myrange(myid,istart,iend)
do i = istart, iend
        a(i) = a(i) - b(i)
enddo
!$omp barrier
myval(myid+1) = a(istart) + a(1)
!$omp end parallel
```

```
#pragma omp parallel private(myid,istart,iend)
myrange(myid,&istart,&iend);
for(i=istart; i<=iend; i++){
    a[i] = a[i] - b[i];
}
#pragma omp barrier
myval[myid] = a[istart] + a[0]</pre>
```

Here barrier assures that a(1) or a[0] is available before computing myval

Master

- if you want part of code to be executed only on master thread, use master directive
- "non-master" threads will skip over master region and continue



Master Example - Fortran

```
!$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE (myid, istart, iend)
call myrange (myid, istart, iend)
do i = istart, iend
        a(i) = a(i) - b(i)
enddo
!$OMP BARRIER
!$OMP BARRIER
!$OMP MASTER
write(21) a
!$OMP END MASTER
call do_work(istart, iend)
!$OMP END PARALLEL
```



Master Example - C

```
#pragma omp parallel private(myid,istart,iend)
myrange(myid,&istart,&iend);
for(i=istart; i<=iend; i++){
    a[i] = a[i] - b[i];
}
#pragma omp barrier
#pragma omp master
fwrite(fid,sizeof(float),iend-istart+1,a);
#pragma omp end master
do_work(istart,iend);
#pragma omp end parallel</pre>
```

Single

If you :

- want part of code to be executed only by a single thread
- don't care whether or not it's the master thread

The use single directive

• Unlike the end master directive, end single has barrier



Single Example - Fortran

```
!$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(myid,istart,iend)
call myrange(myid,istart,iend)
do i = istart, iend
        a(i) = a(i) - b(i)
enddo
!$OMP BARRIER
!$OMP SINGLE
write(21) a
!$OMP END SINGLE
call do_work(istart,iend)
!$OMP END PARALLEL
```



```
#pragma omp parallel private(myid,istart,iend)
myrange(myid,istart,iend);
for(i=istart; i<=iend; i++){
    a[i] = a[i] - b[i];
}
#pragma omp barrier
#pragma omp single
fwrite(fid,sizeof(float),nvals,a);
#pragma omp end single
do_work(istart,iend);</pre>
```

Critical

If you have code section that:

- 1. must be executed by every thread
- 2. threads may execute in any order
- 3. threads must not execute simultaneously

This does not have a barrier.



Critical Example - Fortran

```
!$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(myid,istart,iend)
call myrange(myid,istart,iend)
do i = istart, iend
        a(i) = a(i) - b(i)
enddo
!$OMP CRITICAL
call mycrit(myid,a)
!$OMP END CRITICAL
call do_work(istart,iend)
!$OMP END PARALLEL
```



Critical Example - C

```
#pragma omp parallel private(myid,istart,iend)
myrange(myid,istart,iend);
for(i=istart; i<=iend; i++){
    a[i] = a[i] - b[i];
}
#pragma omp critical
mycrit(myid,a);
#pragma omp end critical
do_work(istart,iend);
#pragma omp end parallel</pre>
```

Ordered

• Suppose you want to write values in a loop:

```
do i = 1, nproc
  call do_lots_of_work(result(i))
  write(21,*) i, result(i)
enddo
```

```
for(i = 0; i < nproc; i++){
    do_lots_of_work(result[i]);
    fprintf(fid,"%d %f\n,"i,result[i]");
}</pre>
```

- If loop were parallelized, could write out of order
- ordered directive forces serial order

Ordered (cont'd)

```
!$omp parallel do
do i = 1, nproc
   call do_lots_of_work(result(i))
   !$omp ordered
   write(21,*) i, result(i)
   !$omp end ordered
enddo
```

```
#pragma omp parallel for
for(i = 0; i < nproc; i++){
    do_lots_of_work(result[i]);
    #pragma omp ordered
    fprintf(fid,"%d %f\n,"i,result[i]");
    #pragma omp end ordered
}
```

• Since do_lots_of_work takes a lot of time, most parallel benefit will be realized

Schedule

- schedule refers to the way in which loop indices are distributed among threads
- ([static[, chunk]])
 - static is the default
 - each thread is assigned a contiguous chunk of indices in thread number order
 - number of indices assigned to each thread is as equal as possible
 - Chunk size may be specified
- (dynamic[, chunk])
 - Good way for varying work load among loop iterations

Integration Example

- An integration of the cosine function between 0 and $\pi/2$
- Integral \approx sum of areas of rectangles (height x width)
- Several parallel methods will be demonstrated.





Introduction to OpenACC

- OpenMP is for CPUs, OpenACC is for GPUs
- Has runtime library like OpenMP
- Can mix OpenMP with OpenACC

Laplace Equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

Boundary Conditions:

u(x,0) = 0	$0 \le x \le 1$
u(x,l) = 0	$0 \le x \le 1$
u(0, y) = u(1, y) = 0	$0 \le y \le 1$

Finite Difference Numerical Discretization

Discretize equation by centered-difference yields:

$$u_{i,j}^{n+1} \cong \frac{u_{i+1,j}^n + u_{i-1,j}^n + u_{i,j+1}^n + u_{i,j-1}^n}{4} \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, m; \ j = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

where n and n+1 denote the current and the next time step, respectively, while

$$u_{i,j}^{n} = u^{n}(x_{i}, y_{j}) \qquad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m+1; \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m+1$$
$$= u^{n}(i\Delta x, j\Delta y)$$

For simplicity, we take

$$\Delta x = \Delta y = \frac{1}{m+1}$$







Five-point Finite-difference Stencil

Interior cells.

Where solution of the Laplace equation is sought.

Exterior cells.

Green cells denote cells where homogeneous boundary conditions are imposed while non-homogeneous boundary conditions are colored in blue.

				X	
					X



Laplace Solver with OpenMP

Corresponding C parallel directive is: #pragma parallel for shared(m,n,up,u) reduction(max:error)



Laplace Solver with OpenACC

!\$acc kernels

```
do j=1,m

do i=1,n

up(i, j) = ( u(i+1, j) + u(i-1, j) + u(i, j-1) + u(i, j+1) ) * 0.25

error = max( error, abs(up(i, j) - u(i, j)) )

end do

end do

!$acc end kernels
```

- #pragma acc kernels for C
- Alternatively, !\$acc parallel loop, !\$acc parallel and !\$acc loop are available. Good to start with kernels . . .

OpenACC data clause

#pragma acc data copy(u), create(up)
while (error > tol && iter < iter_max) { error = 0.0;
#pragma acc kernels</pre>

```
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= m; j++ ) {
        up[i][j] = ( u[i][j+1] + u[i][j-1] + u[i-1][j] + u[i+1][j]) * 0.25;
        error = fmax( error, fabs(up[i][j] - u[i][j])); }
}</pre>
```

#pragma acc kernels

```
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= m; j++) {
        u[i][j] = up[i][j]; }
}
iter++;</pre>
```

- copy into and out of region
- copyin only on in
- copyout only on out
- create within region
- Default is copy without data

OpenACC on SCC

- Hardware (GPU)
 - Each node has 3 Nvidia Tesla M2050 GPUs Nehalem class buy-in 12-core nodes
 - 3 GB memory/gpu, 448 cores/gpu
 - Each node has 8 Nvidia Tesla M2070 GPUs Nehalem class public 12-core nodes
 - 6 GB memory/gpu, 448 cores/gpu
- Compiler
 - On the SCC, only Portland Group compilers support OpenACC
 - Current (default) version is 13.5
- How to compile codes with OpenACC directives
 - scc1% pgfortran –o prog prog.f90 -tp=nehalem -acc -ta=nvidia,time -Minfo=accel
 - scc1% pgcc –o myprog myprog.c -tp=nehalem -acc -ta=nvidia,time -Minfo=accel
 - -tp=nehalem below creates executable for Intel Nehalem class
 - -acc engages the OpenACC API
 - -ta=nvidia,time links with Nvidia library for timing data in accelerator region
 - -Minfo=accel instructs compiler to display warning and error messages
- Tips from PGI
 - http://www.pgroup.com/resources/openacc_tips_fortran.htm

OpenACC on SCC (cont'd)

- How to run jobs
 - Login nodes have no GPUs. Must run via batch scheduler
 - Interactive batch -- for program development and debugging Example: 1 gpu, 1 cpu, 4 hours of estimated runtime
 - scc1% qsh -l gpus=1 -l h_rt=04:00:00
 - -I gpus=G/C; G = number of GPUs, C = number of CPU cores
 - Background Batch -- for production runs
 Example: 8 GPUs, 12 CPUs, 4 hours of runtime
 - scc1% qsub -l gpus=0.667 -pe omp 12 -l h_rt=04:00:00
 - -I gpus = G/C = 8/12 = 0.667
 - scc1% qsub myscript (myscript includes above parameters)