AMS 250: An Introduction to High Performance Computing

OpenMP Primer



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Serial code:	OpenMP code:
	<pre>#include <omp.h></omp.h></pre>
<pre>double x, pi, step, sum=0.0; int i; step = 1./(double)num_steps; struct timeval tv; gettimeofday(&start, NULL); // start time in milliseconds start = (tv.tv_sec)*1000 + (tv.tv_usec)/1000;</pre>	<pre>double x, pi, step, sum=0.0; int i; step = 1./(double)num_steps; struct timeval tv; gettimeofday(&start, NULL); // start time in milliseconds start = (tv.tv_sec)*1000 + (tv.tv_usec)/1000;</pre>
<pre>for (i=0; i<num_steps; i++)="" td="" {<=""><td><pre>#pragma omp parallel for private(x) reduction(+:sum) for (i=0; i<num_steps; i++)="" td="" {<=""></num_steps;></pre></td></num_steps;></pre>	<pre>#pragma omp parallel for private(x) reduction(+:sum) for (i=0; i<num_steps; i++)="" td="" {<=""></num_steps;></pre>

It is that simple with OpenMP!

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Full Disclosure

A lot of blatant plagiarism of Blaise Barney's OpenMP tutorial at LLNL!

https://computing.llnl.gov/tutorials/openMP

Outline

- Introduction
- OpenMP Programming Model
- OpenMP API Overview
- Compiling OpenMP Programs
- OpenMP Directives
- Runtime Library Routines
- Environment Variables

What is OpenMP?

<u>http://openmp.org/</u>



- Open specifications for Multi-Processing via collaborative work between interested parties from the hardware and software industry, government and academia
- An Application Program Interface (API) that may be used to explicitly direct *multi-threaded, shared memory parallelism*
- Comprised of three primary API components:
 - Compiler Directives
 - Runtime Library Routines
 - Environment Variables

OpenMP is NOT:

- ⁽²⁾ Meant for distributed memory parallel systems (by itself)
- ⁽²⁾ Necessarily implemented identically by all vendors
- ⁽²⁾ Guaranteed to make the most efficient use of shared memory
- Required to check for data dependencies, data conflicts, race conditions, or deadlocks
- Required to check for code sequences that cause a program to be classified as non-conforming
- Meant to cover compiler-generated automatic parallelization and directives to the compiler to assist such parallelization
- Obsigned to guarantee that input or output to the same file is synchronous when executed in parallel. The programmer is responsible for synchronizing input and output.

Goals of OpenMP

• Standardization:

- Provide a standard among a variety of shared memory architectures/platforms
- Jointly defined and endorsed by a group of major computer hardware and software vendors

Lean and Mean:

- Establish a simple and limited set of directives for programming shared memory machines.
- Significant parallelism can be implemented by using just 3 or 4 directives. ☺This goal is becoming less meaningful with each new release, apparently.

• Ease of Use:

- Provide capability to incrementally parallelize a serial program, unlike message-passing libraries which typically require an all or nothing approach
- Provide the capability to implement both coarse-grain and fine-grain parallelism

• Portability:

- The API is specified for C/C++ and Fortran
- Public forum for API and membership
- Most major platforms have been implemented, including Unix/Linux platforms and Windows

OpenMP History

- In the early 90's, vendors supplied, similar but diverging, directive-based Fortran programming extensions for shared-memory machines
- In 1994, first attempt at a standard was the draft for ANSI X3H5 - never adopted as distributed memory machines became popular
- Not long after this, newer shared memory machines became prevalent
- In the spring of 1997, the OpenMP standard specification took over where ANSI X3H5 had left off
- Led by the OpenMP Architecture Review Board (ARB)

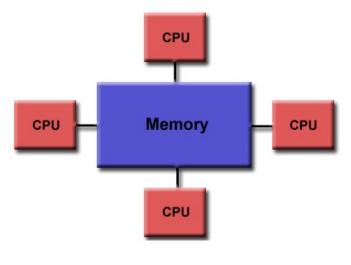
Month/Year	Version
Oct 1997	Fortran 1.0
Oct 1998	C/C++ 1.0
Nov 1999	Fortran 1.1
Nov 2000	Fortran 2.0
Mar 2002	C/C++ 2.0
May 2005	OpenMP 2.5
May 2008	OpenMP 3.0
Jul 2011	OpenMP 3.1
Jul 2013	OpenMP 4.0
Nov 2015	OpenMP 4.5

OpenMP 4.x

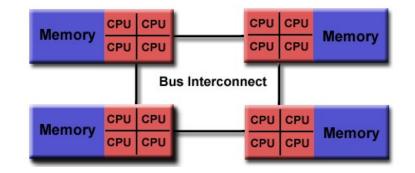
- OpenMP 4.x added support for:
 - Programming of accelerator and GPU devices
 - SIMD programming
 - Better optimization using thread affinity
 - Parallelization of loops with well-structured dependencies
- Note: this lecture mostly covers OpenMP version 3.1

Shared Memory Model

OpenMP is designed for multi-processor/core, shared memory machines. The underlying architecture can be shared memory UMA or NUMA.



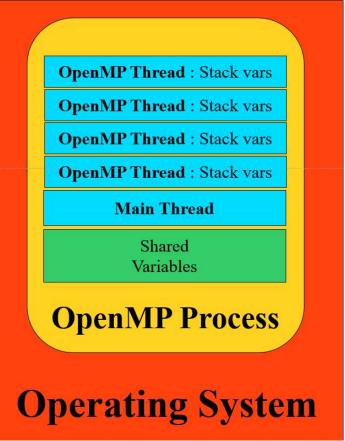
Uniform Memory Access



Non-Uniform Memory Access

Thread Based Parallelism

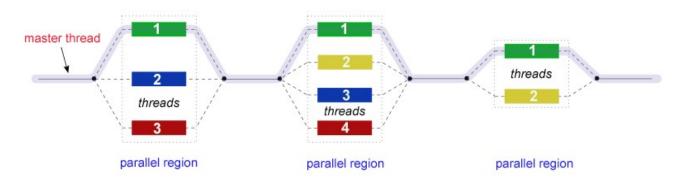
- OpenMP programs accomplish parallelism exclusively through the use of threads
- A thread of execution is the smallest unit of processing that can be scheduled by an operating system
- Threads exist within the resources of a single process
- Typically, the number of threads match the number of machine processors/cores. However, the actual use of threads is up to the application



Explicit Parallelism

- OpenMP is an explicit (not automatic) programming model, offering the programmer full control over parallelization.
- Parallelization can be as simple as taking a serial program and inserting compiler directives
- Or as complex as inserting subroutines to set multiple levels of parallelism, locks and even nested locks.

Fork-Join Model



OpenMP uses the **fork-join** model of parallel execution

- All OpenMP programs begin as a single process: the **master thread**. The master thread executes sequentially until the first **parallel region** construct is encountered.
- FORK: the master thread then creates a team of parallel *threads*.
- The statements in the program that are enclosed by the parallel region construct are then executed in parallel among the various team threads.
- JOIN: When the team threads complete the statements in the parallel region construct, they synchronize and terminate, leaving only the master thread.
- The number of parallel regions and the threads that comprise them are arbitrary.

OpenMP Programming Model

- Most OpenMP parallelism is specified through the use of compiler directives embedded in the source code
- The API allows nested parallelism (parallel regions inside other parallel regions)
- The API provides for the runtime environment to dynamically alter the number of threads used to execute parallel regions
- OpenMP specifies nothing about parallel I/O important if multiple threads attempt to write/read from the same file
- OpenMP provides a "relaxed-consistency" and "temporary" view of thread memory it is the programmer's responsibility to insure a variable is FLUSHed by all threads as needed (FLUSH often ⊗)

OpenMP API Overview

- The OpenMP API is comprised of three distinct components. As of version 4.0:
 - Compiler Directives (44)
 - Runtime Library Routines (35)
 - Environment Variables (13)
- The application developer decides how to employ these components. In the simplest case, only a few of them are needed.

Compiler Directives

- Compiler directives appear as comments in your source code and are ignored by compilers unless you tell them otherwise
- OpenMP compiler directives are used for various purposes:
 - Spawning a parallel region
 - Dividing blocks of code among threads
 - Distributing loop iterations between threads
 - Serializing sections of code
 - Synchronization of work among threads
- Compiler directives have the following syntax:

sentine1 directive-name [clause, ...]

e.g.:

Fortra	n	<pre>!\$OMP PARALLEL DEFAULT(SHARED) PRIVATE(BETA,PI)</pre>
C/C++	-	<pre>#pragma omp parallel default(shared) private(beta,pi)</pre>

Runtime Library Routines

- The OpenMP API includes an ever-growing number of runtime library routines, for a variety of purposes:
 - Setting and querying the number of threads
 - Querying a thread's unique identifier (thread ID), a thread's ancestor's identifier, the thread team size
 - Setting and querying the dynamic threads feature
 - Querying if in a parallel region, and at what level
 - Setting and querying nested parallelism
 - Setting, initializing and terminating locks and nested locks
 - Querying wall clock time and resolution

e.g.:	Fortran	INTEGER FUNCTION OMP_GET_NUM_THREADS()
	C/C++	<pre>#include <omp.h> int omp_get_num_threads(void)</omp.h></pre>

Environment Variables

- OpenMP provides several environment variables for controlling the execution of parallel code at runtime:
 - Setting the number of threads
 - Specifying how loop iterations are divided
 - Binding threads to processors
 - Enabling/disabling nested parallelism; setting the maximum levels of nested parallelism
 - Enabling/disabling dynamic threads
 - Setting thread stack size
 - Setting thread wait policy

e.g.:

sh/bash	export	OMP_NUM_THREADS=8
csh/tcsh	setenv	OMP_NUM_THREADS 8

Example OpenMP Code Structure

```
Fortran:
```

```
C/C++:
```

PROGRAM HELLO	<pre>#include <omp.h></omp.h></pre>
INTEGER VAR1, VAR2, VAR3	main () {
Serial code	int var1, var2, var3;
	Serial code
Beginning of parallel section. Fork a team of threads. Specify variable scoping !\$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(VAR1, VAR2) SHARED(VAR3) Parallel section executed by all threads Other OpenMP directives Run-time Library calls All threads join master thread and disband	Beginning of parallel section. Fork a team of threads. Specify variable scoping #pragma omp parallel private(var1, var2) shared(var3) { Parallel section executed by all threads Other OpenMP directives Run-time Library calls
!\$OMP END PARALLEL Resume serial code	All threads join master thread and disband
	}
	Resume serial code
END	}

OpenMP Compiler Support on Hyades

Compiler	Version	Supports
Intel C/C++, Fortran	14.0	OpenMP 3.1
Intel C/C++, Fortran	15.0	OpenMP 4.0
Intel C/C++, Fortran	16.0	OpenMP 4.0
PGI C/C++, Fortran	13.10	OpenMP 3.1
PGI C/C++, Fortran	14.10	OpenMP 3.1
PGI C/C++, Fortran	15.10	OpenMP 3.1
GNU C/C++, Fortran	4.4	OpenMP 3.0
GNU C/C++, Fortran	4.9	OpenMP 4.0

http://openmp.org/wp/openmp-compilers/

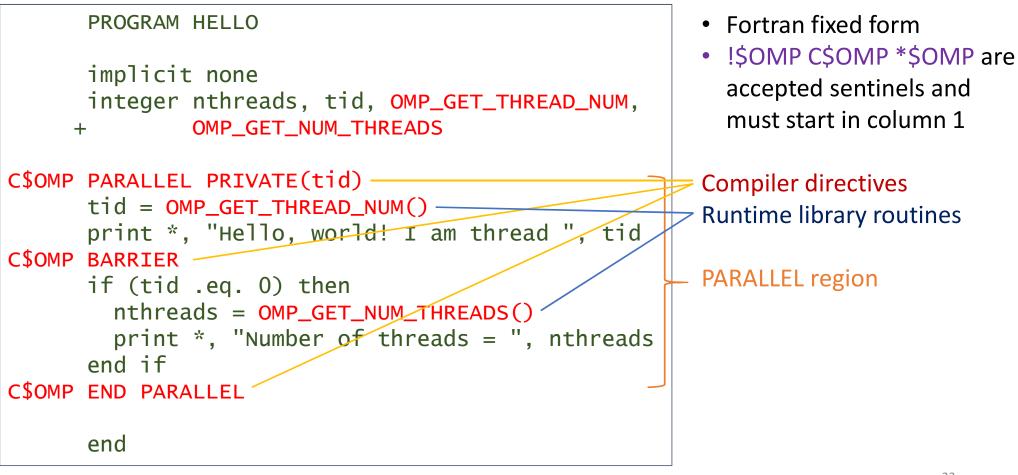
Compiling OpenMP Programs

Platform	Compiler	Flag
Intel Compilers	icc icpc ifort	-openmp
PGI Compilers	pgcc pgCC / pgcpp pgfortran pgf77 pgf90 / pgf95	-mp
GNU Compiler Collection	gcc g++ gfortran	-fopenmp

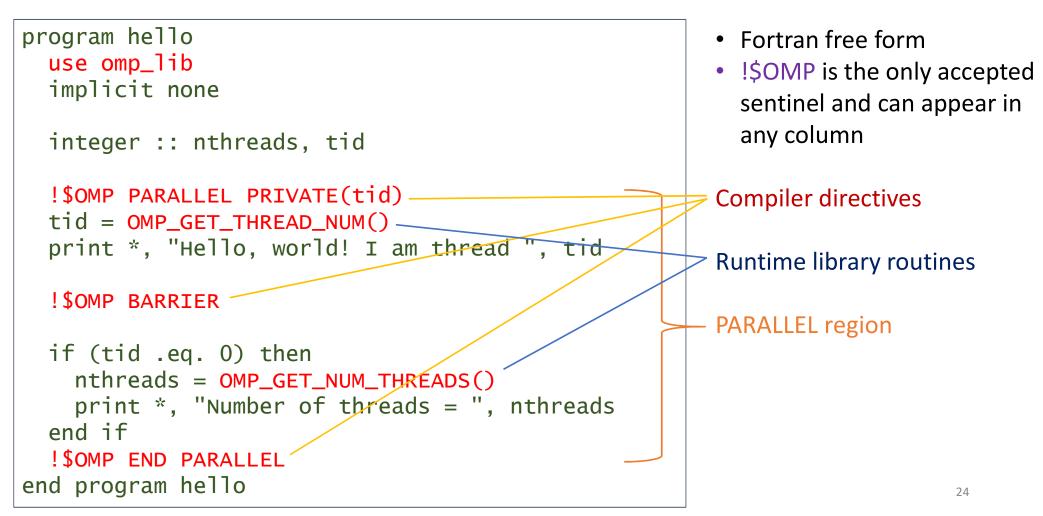
Compiler Documentation

- Intel Compilers (default and recommended)
 - Intel C++ Compiler 16.0 User and Reference Guide: <u>https://software.intel.com/en-us/INTEL-CPLUSPLUS-COMPILER-16.0-USER-AND-REFERENCE-GUIDE</u>
 - Intel Fortran Compiler 16.0 User and Reference Guide: <u>https://software.intel.com/en-us/intel-fortran-compiler-16.0-user-and-reference-guide</u>
- PGI Compilers
 - PGI documentation: <u>https://www.pgroup.com/resources/docs.htm</u>
 - PGI Compiler User's Guide: <u>https://www.pgroup.com/doc/pgiug.pdf</u>
 - PGI Compiler Reference Manual: <u>https://www.pgroup.com/doc/pgiref.pdf</u>
- GCC (GNU Compiler Collection)
 - GCC documentation: <u>https://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/</u>
 - GNU Fortran Compiler: <u>https://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/gfortran/</u>

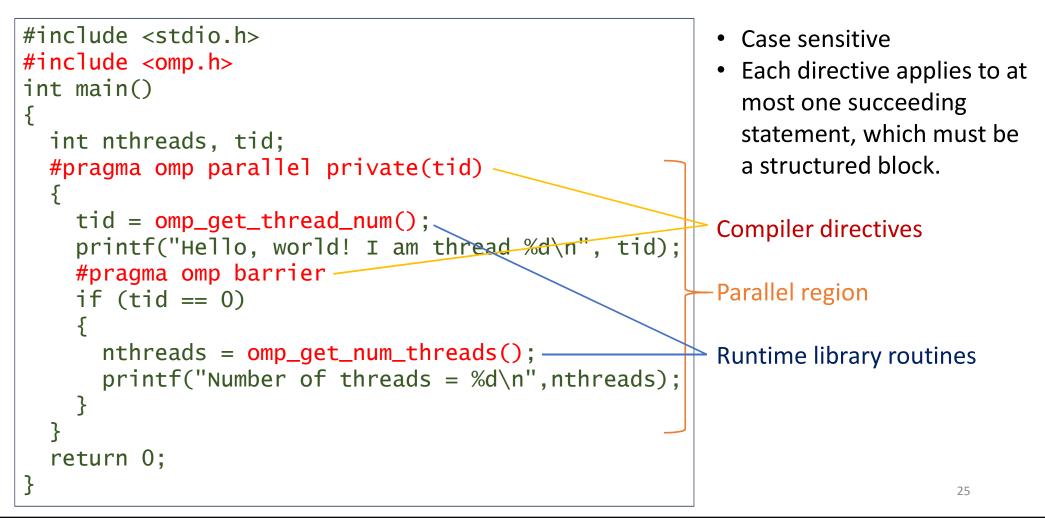
OpenMP "Hello, world!" in Fortran 77



OpenMP "Hello, world!" in Fortran 90



OpenMP "Hello, world!" in C/C++



Compiling & Running OpenMP Programs on Hyades

Compile OpenMP programs using the *default* Intel compilers:

ifort -openmp [other options] omp_hello.f -o omp_hello.x ifort -openmp [other options] omp_hello.f90 -o omp_hello.x icc -openmp [other options] omp_hello.c -o omp_hello.x icpc -openmp [other options] omp_hello.cpp -o omp_hello.x (Test) run OpenMP programs on the master node: export OMP_NUM_THREADS=8 (sh/bash)

setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 8 (csh/tcsh)

./omp_hello.x

For production runs, submit your OpenMP jobs to the batch scheduler.

Sample Batch Script for OpenMP Jobs

Batch script omp.pbs:	Comments:
#!/bin/bash	### your favorite shell
<pre>#PBS -N omp #PBS -q normal #PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=16 #PBS -l walltime=4:00:00 #PBS -M shaw@ucsc.edu #PBS -m abe</pre>	<pre>### job name ### job queue ### request 1 node (16 cores) ### and 4 hours walltime ### ask Torque to send emails ### when jobs aborts, starts and ends</pre>
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=16 cd \$PBS_O_WORkDIR ./omp_hello.x	<pre>### set the maximum no. of OpenMP threads to 16 ### go to the directory where you submit the job ### run your OpenMP executable</pre>

To submit the job: qsub omp.pbs

OpenMP Directives

- PARALLEL Region Construct
- Work-Sharing Constructs
 - DO / for Directive
 - SECTIONS Directive
 - WORKSHARE Directive
 - SINGLE DIRECTIVE
- Combined Parallel Work-Sharing Constructs
- TASK Construct
- Synchronization Constructs MASTER, CRITICAL, BARRIER, TASKWAIT, ATOMIC, FLUSH, ORDERED
- THREADPRIVATE Directive

OpenMP Directives – PARALLEL Region Construct

<u>Parallel region</u>: block of code that will be executed by multiple threads

Fortran	<pre>!\$OMP PARALLEL [clause] IF (scalar_logical_expression) PRIVATE (list) SHARED (list) DEFAULT (PRIVATE FIRSTPRIVATE SHARED NONE) FIRSTPRIVATE (list) REDUCTION (operator: list) COPYIN (list) NUM_THREADS (scalar-integer-expression) block !\$OMP END PARALLEL</pre>
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp parallel [clause] newline if (scalar_expression) private (list) shared (list) default (shared none) firstprivate (list) reduction (operator: list) copyin (list) num_threads (integer-expression) structured_block</pre>

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PARALLEL Region Construct (cont'd)

- When a thread reaches a PARALLEL directive, it creates a team of threads and becomes the master of the team. The master is a member of that team and has thread number 0 within that team.
- Starting from the beginning of this parallel region, the code is duplicated and all threads will execute that code.
- There is an implied barrier at the end of a parallel section. Only the master thread continues execution past this point.
- If any thread terminates within a parallel region, all threads in the team will terminate, and the work done up until that point is undefined.
- A parallel region must be a structured block that does not span multiple routines or code files.
- It is illegal to branch (goto) into or out of a parallel region.

PARALLEL Region Construct (cont'd)

- The number of threads in a parallel region is determined by the following factors, in order of precedence:
 - 1. Evaluation of the **IF** *clause* If present, it must evaluate to *.TRUE*. (Fortran) or *non-zero* (C/C++) in order for a team of threads to be created
 - 2. Setting of the **NUM_THREADS** clause
 - 3. Use of the **omp_set_num_threads()** library function
 - 4. Setting of the **OMP_NUM_THREADS** environment variable
 - 5. Implementation default usually the number of CPUs/cores on a node (but for PGI compilers, the default is 1 thread!)
- Threads are numbered from 0 (master thread) to N-1
- Data Scope Attribute Clauses, like *private* and *shared*, will be described in details shortly

OpenMP "Hello, world!" in C/C++

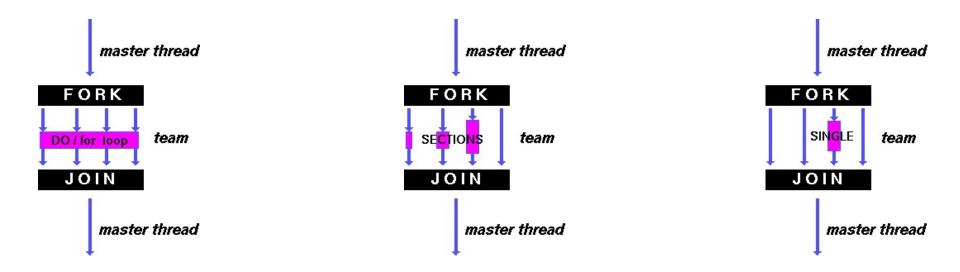
```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <omp.h>
int main()
{
  int nthreads, tid;
  #pragma omp parallel private(tid)
    tid = omp_get_thread_num();
    printf("Hello, world! I am thread %d\n", tid);
    #pragma omp barrier
                                                       parallel region
    if (tid == 0)
      nthreads = omp_get_num_threads();
      printf("Number of threads = %d\n",nthreads);
    }
  }
  return 0;
}
```

OpenMP Directives – Work-Sharing Constructs

- A work-sharing construct divides the execution of the enclosed code region among the members of the team that encounter it.
- Work-sharing constructs do not launch new threads
- There is no implied barrier upon entry to a work-sharing construct, however there is an implied barrier at the end of a work sharing construct.
- Restrictions:
 - A work-sharing construct must be enclosed dynamically within a parallel region in order for the directive to execute in parallel.
 - Work-sharing constructs must be encountered by all members of a team or none at all
 - Successive work-sharing constructs must be encountered in the same order by all members of a team

Types of Work-Sharing Constructs

DO / for - shares iterations of a	SECTIONS - breaks work into separate, discrete	SINGLE -	
loop across the team. Represents	sections. Each section is executed by a thread.	serializes a	
a type of "data parallelism".	Can be used to implement a type of "functional	section of code	
	parallelism".		



NOTE: The Fortran workshare construct is not shown here, but will be discussed later.

DO / for Directive

The **DO** / **for** directive specifies that the iterations of the loop immediately following it must be executed in parallel by the team. This assumes a parallel region has already been initiated, otherwise it executes in serial on a single processor.

Fortran	<pre>!\$OMP DO [clause] SCHEDULE (type [, chunk]) ORDERED PRIVATE (list) FIRSTPRIVATE (list) LASTPRIVATE (list) SHARED (list) REDUCTION (operator intrinsic: list) COLLAPSE (n) do_loop !\$OMP END DO [NOWAIT]</pre>
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp for [clause] newline schedule (type [, chunk]) ordered private (list) firstprivate (list) lastprivate (list) shared (list) reduction (operator: list) collapse (n) nowait for_loop</pre>

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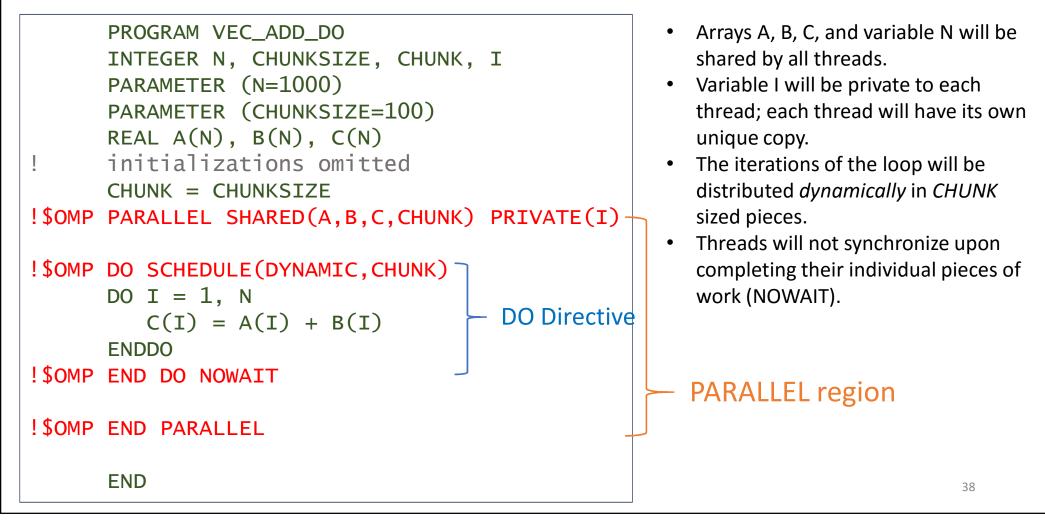
DO / for Directive Clauses

- SCHEDULE: Describes how iterations of the loop are divided among the threads in the team
 - **STATIC**: Loop iterations are divided into pieces of size *chunk* and then statically assigned to threads.
 - **DYNAMIC**: Loop iterations are divided into pieces of size *chunk*, and dynamically scheduled among the threads; when a thread finishes one chunk, it is dynamically assigned another. The default *chunk* size is 1.
 - **GUIDED**: Iterations are dynamically assigned to threads in blocks as threads request them until no blocks remain to be assigned. Similar to DYNAMIC except that the block size decreases each time a parcel of work is given to a thread. The *chunk* parameter defines the minimum block size. The default *chunk* size is 1.
 - **RUNTIME**: The scheduling decision is deferred until runtime by the environment variable OMP_SCHEDULE. It is *illegal* to specify a chunk size for this clause.
 - AUTO: The scheduling decision is delegated to the compiler and/or runtime system.
- **NOWAIT**: If specified, then threads do not synchronize at the end of the parallel loop.

DO / for Directive Clauses (cont'd)

- **ORDERED**: Specifies that the iterations of the loop must be executed as they would be in a serial program.
- COLLAPSE: Specifies how many loops in a nested loop should be collapsed into one large iteration space and divided according to the schedule clause. The sequential execution of the iterations in all associated loops determines the order of the iterations in the collapsed iteration space.

DO Directive Example in Fortran



for Directive Example in C/C++

```
#include <omp.h>
#define CHUNKSIZE 100
#define N
              1000
int main ()
{
  int i, chunk;
  float a[N], b[N], c[N];
  /* initializations omitted */
  chunk = CHUNKSIZE;
  #pragma omp parallel shared(a,b,c,chunk) private(i)
  {
    #pragma omp for schedule(dynamic,chunk) nowait
                                                                   - parallel region
    for (i=0; i < N; i++)
                                                       for directive
      c[i] = a[i] + b[i];
  }
  return 0;
}
                                                                           39
```

Which is better?

Α

DO i=1,100 DO j = 1,100 !\$OMP DO DO k = 1,100 A(i,j,k)=i*j*k END DO !\$OMP END DO END DO END DO В

!\$OMP DO DO i=1,100 DO j = 1,100 DO k = 1,100 A(i,j,k)=i*j*k END DO END DO END DO !\$OMP END DO

Answer: **B**

- 1. A lot more work per thread
- 2. Less creation/destruction of threads, thus less overhead

Can we do even better?

DO i=1,100	!\$OMP DO	!\$OMP DO
DO $j = 1,100$	DO i=1,100	DO k=1,100
!\$OMP DO	DO $j = 1,100$	DO $j = 1,100$
DO $k = 1,100$	DO $k = 1,100$	DO $i = 1,100$
A(i,j,k)=i*j*k	A(i,j,k)=i*j*k	A(i,j,k)=i*j*k
END DO	END DO	END DO
!\$OMP END DO	END DO	END DO
END DO	END DO	END DO
END DO	!\$OMP END DO	!\$OMP END DO

Fortran arrays are stored in column-major format i.e. columns (first dimension) are contiguous in memory Better cache performance DO THIS ALWAYS FOR FORTRAN!

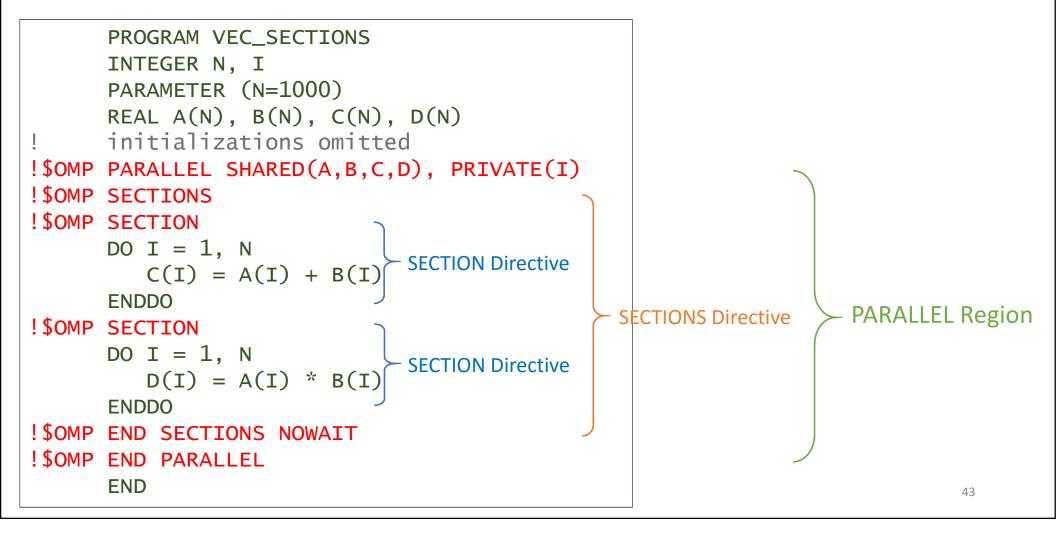
SECTIONS Directive

The **SECTIONS** directive is a non-iterative work-sharing construct. It specifies that the enclosed section(s) of code are to be divided among the threads in the team. Independent **SECTION** directives are nested within a **SECTIONS** directive. Each **SECTION** is executed once by a thread in the team.

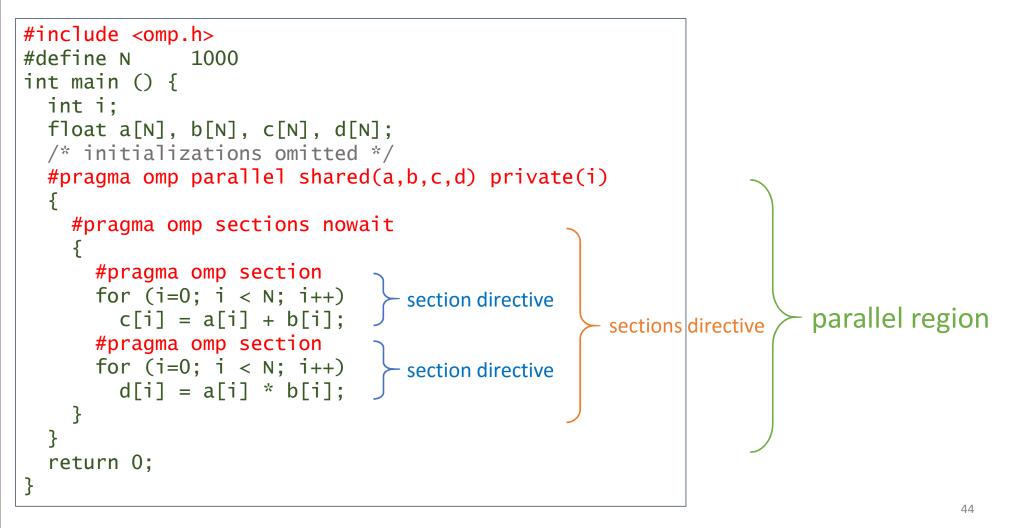
Fortran	<pre>!\$OMP SECTIONS [clause] PRIVATE (list) FIRSTPRIVATE (list) LASTPRIVATE (list) REDUCTION (operator intrinsic: list) !\$OMP SECTION block !\$OMP SECTION block !\$OMP END SECTIONS [NOWAIT]</pre>
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp sections [clause] newline private (list) firstprivate (list) lastprivate (list) reduction (operator: list) nowait { #pragma omp section newline structured_block #pragma omp section newline structured_block }</pre>

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SECTIONS Directive Example in Fortran



sections Directive Example in C/C++

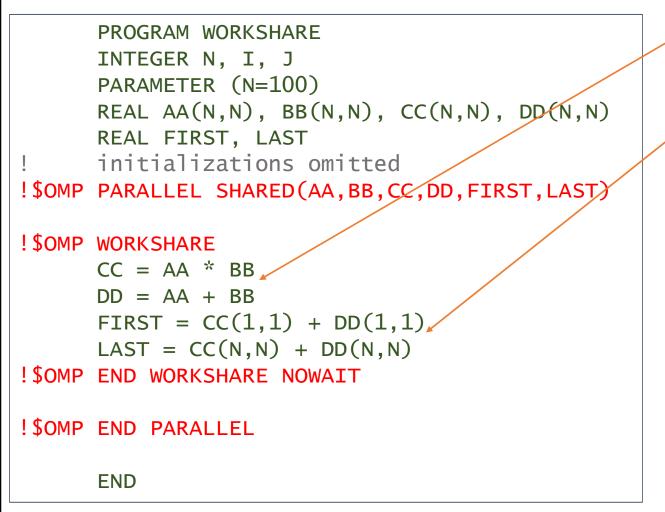


WORKSHARE Directive

- Fortran only
- The **WORKSHARE** directive divides the execution of the enclosed structured block into separate units of work, each of which is executed only once.
- The structured block must consist of only the following:
 - array assignments
 - scalar assignments
 - FORALL statements
 - FORALL constructs
 - WHERE statements
 - WHERE constructs
 - atomic constructs
 - critical constructs
 - parallel constructs

Fortran	!\$OMP WORKSHARE
	structured block
	<pre>!\$OMP WORKSHARE [NOWAIT]</pre>

WORKSHARE Directive Example in Fortran



- Array assignments the assignment of each element is a unit of work
- Scalar assignments
- Block of code is parallelized sequentially (!), unit by unit (note: incurs overhead)
- Variables which are referenced or modified within construct MUST be shared variables

SINGLE Directive

- The **SINGLE** directive specifies that the enclosed code is to be executed by only one thread in the team.
- May be useful when dealing with sections of code that are not thread safe (such as I/O).

Fortran	<pre>!\$OMP SINGLE [clause] PRIVATE (list) FIRSTPRIVATE (list)</pre>
	bTock
	!\$OMP END SINGLE [NOWAIT]
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp single [clause] newline private (list) firstprivate (list) nowait</pre>
	structured_block

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Combined Parallel Work-Sharing Constructs

- OpenMP provides three directives that are merely conveniences:
 - PARALLEL DO / parallel for
 - PARALLEL SECTIONS
 - PARALLEL WORKSHARE (fortran only)
- For the most part, these directives behave identically to an individual PARALLEL directive being immediately followed by a separate work-sharing directive.
- Most of the rules, clauses and restrictions that apply to both directives are in effect.

PARALLEL DO Directive Example in Fortran

```
PROGRAM VEC_ADD_DO
      INTEGER N, CHUNKSIZE, CHUNK, I
      PARAMETER (N=1000)
      PARAMETER (CHUNKSIZE=100)
      REAL A(N), B(N), C(N)
      initializations omitted
CHUNK = CHUNKSIZE
!SOMP PARALLEL DO
!$OMP& SHARED(A,B,C,CHUNK) PRIVATE(I)
!$OMP& SCHEDULE(DYNAMIC, CHUNK)
      DO I = 1, N
         C(I) = A(I) + B(I)
      ENDDO
!SOMP END PARALLEL DO
      END
```

vs. DO directive in a PARALLEL region

```
PROGRAM VEC_ADD_DO
      INTEGER N, CHUNKSIZE, CHUNK, I
      PARAMETER (N=1000)
      PARAMETER (CHUNKSIZE=100)
      REAL A(N), B(N), C(N)
1
     initializations omitted
     CHUNK = CHUNKSIZE
!$OMP PARALLEL SHARED(A,B,C,CHUNK) PRIVATE(I)
!$OMP DO SCHEDULE(DYNAMIC,CHUNK)
     DO I = 1. N
         C(I) = A(I) + B(I)
      ENDDO
!SOMP END DO NOWAIT
!SOMP END PARALLEL
      END
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```

parallel for Directive Example in C/C++

```
#include <omp.h>
#define CHUNKSIZE 100
#define N
               1000
int main ()
{
  int i, chunk;
  float a[N], b[N], c[N];
  /* initializations omitted */
  chunk = CHUNKSIZE;
  #pragma omp parallel for \setminus
    shared(a,b,c,chunk) private(i) \setminus
    schedule(dynamic.chunk)
    for (i=0; i < N; i++)
      c[i] = a[i] + b[i]:
  return 0;
}
```

vs. for directive in a parallel region

```
#include <omp.h>
#define CHUNKSIZE 100
#define N
              1000
int main ()
{
  int i, chunk;
 float a[N], b[N], c[N];
  /* initializations omitted */
  chunk = CHUNKSIZE:
  #pragma omp parallel \
    shared(a,b,c,chunk) private(i)
  {
    #pragma omp for schedule(dynamic,chunk) \
      nowait
    for (i=0; i < N; i++)
      c[i] = a[i] + b[i];
  }
  return 0:
}
                                         50
```

Quick Notes on Directives Format - Fortran

- Fixed Form Fortran
 - **!\$OMP C\$OMP *\$OMP** are accepted sentinels and must start in column 1.
 - Initial directive lines must have a space/zero in column 6.
 - Continuation lines must have a non-space/zero in column 6.

!\$OMP PARALLEL DO SHARED(A,B,C,CHUNK) PRIVATE(I)
!\$OMP& SCHEDULE(DYNAMIC,CHUNK)

- Free Form Fortran
 - !\$OMP is the only accepted sentinel. Can appear in any column, but must be preceded by white space only.
 - Initial directive lines must have a space after the sentinel.
 - Continuation lines must have an ampersand as the last non-blank character in a line. The following line must begin with a sentinel and then the continuation directives.

```
!$OMP PARALLEL DO SHARED(A,B,C,CHUNK) PRIVATE(I) &
!$OMP SCHEDULE(DYNAMIC,CHUNK)
```

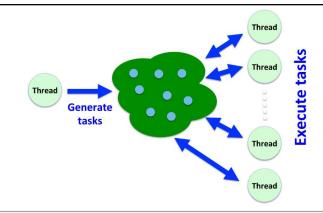
Quick Notes on Directives Format – C/C++

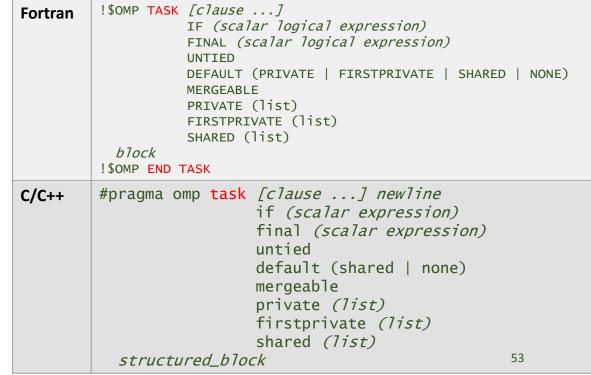
- Case sensitive
- Directives follow conventions of the C/C++ standards for compiler directives
- Only one directive-name may be specified per directive
- Each directive applies to at most one succeeding statement, which must be a structured block.
- Long directive lines can be "continued" on succeeding lines by escaping the newline character with a backslash ("\") at the end of a directive line.

#pragma omp parallel for \
 shared(a,b,c,chunk) private(i) \
 schedule(dynamic,chunk)

TASK Construct

- Introduced in OpenMP 3.0
- When a thread encounters a TASK construct, a new task is generated
- The moment of execution of the task is up to the runtime system
- Execution can either be immediate or delayed
- The data environment of the task is determined by the data sharing attribute clauses.
- Completion of a task can be enforced through task synchronization





TASK Construct Example in C/C++

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
  #pragma omp parallel
    #pragma omp single
      printf("A ");
      #pragma omp task
      {printf("race ");}
      #pragma omp task
      {printf("car ");}
    }
  } // End of parallel region
  printf("\n");
  return 0;
```

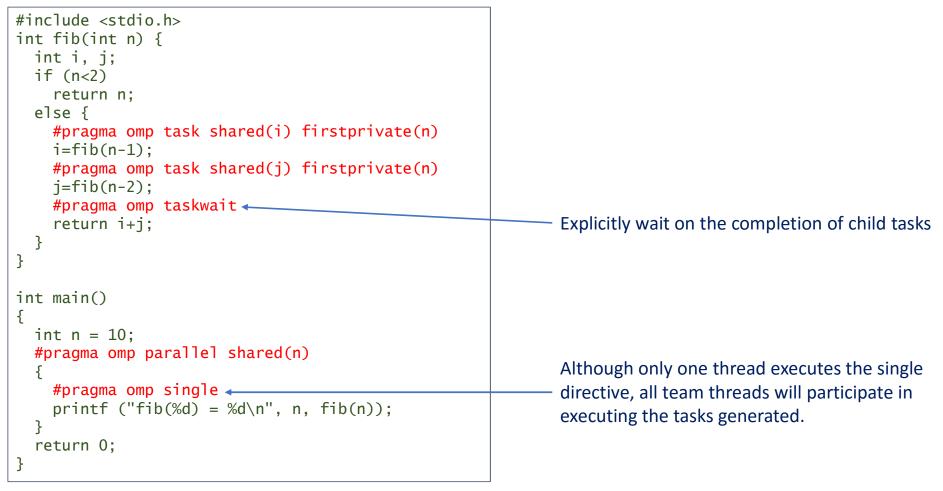
}

```
$ icc -openmp omp_task.c -o omp_task.x
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=2
$ ./omp_task.x
A race car
$ ./omp_task.x
A race car
$ ./omp_task.x
```

```
A car race
```

http://openmp.org/sc13/sc13.tasking.ruud.pdf

TASK Example: Computing Fibonacci Numbers



Synchronization Constructs

- Consider a simple example where two threads on two different processors are both trying to increment a variable x at the same time (assume x is initially 0)
 THREAD 1: THREAD 2:
- One possible execution sequence:
 - 1. Thread 1 loads the value of x into register A
 - 2. Thread 2 loads the value of x into register A
 - 3. Thread 1 adds 1 to register A
 - 4. Thread 2 adds 1 to register A
 - 5. Thread 1 stores register A at location x
 - 6. Thread 2 stores register A at location x

THREAD 1:	THREAD 2:
<pre>increment(x) {</pre>	<pre>increment(x) {</pre>
10 LOAD A, (x address) 20 ADD A, 1 30 STORE A, (x address)	10 LOAD A, (x address) 20 ADD A, 1 30 STORE A, (x address)

The resultant value of x will be 1, not 2 as it should be!

• To avoid a situation like this, the incrementing of x must be synchronized between the two threads to ensure that the correct result is produced.

OpenMP Synchronization Constructs

- Master Directive
- CRITICAL Directive
- BARRIER Directive
- TASKWAIT Directive
- ATOMIC Directive
- FLUSH Directive
- ORDERED Directive

MASTER Directive

- The MASTER directive specifies a region that is to be executed only by the master thread of the team. All other threads on the team skip this section of code
- There is no implied barrier associated with this directive

Fortran	!\$OMP MASTER
	b1ock
	!\$OMP END MASTER
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp master newline</pre>
	structured_block

CRITICAL Directive

- The CRITICAL directive specifies a region of code that must be executed by only one thread at a time.
- If a thread is currently executing inside a CRITICAL region and another thread reaches that CRITICAL region and attempts to execute it, it will block until the first thread exits that CRITICAL region.
- The optional name enables multiple different CRITICAL regions to exist:
 - Names act as global identifiers. Different CRITICAL regions with the same name are treated as the same region.
 - All CRITICAL sections which are unnamed, are treated as the same section.

Fortran	<pre>!\$OMP CRITICAL [name] b7ock !\$OMP END CRITICAL [name]</pre>
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp critical [name] newline structured_block</pre>

CRITICAL Directive Example

Fortran:	C/C++:
PROGRAM CRITICAL	<pre>#include <omp.h></omp.h></pre>
INTEGER X X = 0	<pre>int main() { int x;</pre>
<pre>!\$OMP PARALLEL SHARED(X)</pre>	
$\begin{array}{l} \text{!$OMP CRITICAL} \\ \text{X} = \text{X} + 1 \end{array}$	<pre>#pragma omp parallel shared(x) {</pre>
!\$OMP END CRITICAL	<pre>#pragma omp critical $x = x + 1;$</pre>
!\$OMP END PARALLEL	<pre>} /* end of parallel section */ return 0;</pre>
END	}

BARRIER Directive

- The BARRIER directive synchronizes all threads in the team.
- When a BARRIER directive is reached, a thread will wait at that point until all other threads have reached that barrier. All threads then resume executing in parallel the code that follows the barrier.

Fortran	!\$OMP BARRIER
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp barrier newline</pre>

TASKWAIT Directive

- New with OpenMP 3.1
- The TASKWAIT construct specifies a wait on the completion of child tasks generated since the beginning of the current task.

Fortran	!\$OMP TASKWAIT
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp taskwait newline</pre>

ATOMIC Directive

• The ATOMIC directive specifies that a specific memory location must be updated atomically, rather than letting multiple threads attempt to write to it. In essence, this directive provides a mini-CRITICAL section.

Fortran	!\$OMP ATOMIC statement_expression
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp atomic newline statement_expression</pre>

FLUSH Directive

• The FLUSH directive identifies a synchronization point at which the implementation must provide a consistent view of memory. Thread-visible variables are written back to memory at this point.

Fortran	<pre>!\$OMP FLUSH (list)</pre>
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp taskwait newline</pre>

• The FLUSH directive is implied for the directives shown in the table below (FLUSH often). The directive is not implied if a NOWAIT clause is present.

Fortran	C/C++
BARRIER	barrier
END PARALLEL	parallel - upon entry and exit
CRITICAL and END CRITICAL	critical - upon entry and exit
END DO	ordered - upon entry and exit
END SECTIONS	for - upon exit
END SINGLE	sections - upon exit
ORDERED and END ORDERED	single - upon exit

ORDERED Directive

- The ORDERED directive specifies that iterations of the enclosed loop will be executed in the same order as if they were executed on a serial processor.
- Threads will need to wait before executing their chunk of iterations if previous iterations haven't completed yet
- Only one thread is allowed in an ordered section at any time
- Used within a DO / for loop with an ORDERED clause

Fortran	<pre>!\$OMP DO ORDERED [clauses] (loop region) !\$OMP ORDERED (block) !\$OMP END ORDERED (end of loop region) !\$OMP END DO</pre>
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp for ordered [clauses] (loop region) #pragma omp ordered newline structured_block (end of loop region)</pre>

THREADPRIVATE Directive

- The THREADPRIVATE directive is used to make global file scope variables (C/C++) or common blocks (Fortran) local and persistent to a thread through the execution of multiple parallel regions.
- The directive must appear after the declaration of listed variables/common blocks. Each thread then gets its own copy of the variable/common block, so data written by one thread is not visible to other threads.
- On first entry to a parallel region, data in THREADPRIVATE variables and common blocks should be assumed undefined, unless a COPYIN clause is specified in the PARALLEL directive

Fortran	<pre>!\$OMP THREADPRIVATE (/cb/,)</pre>
C/C++	<pre>#pragma omp threadprivate (list) newline</pre>

Note: *cb* is the name of a common block

PROGRAM THREADPRIV INTEGER A, B, I, TID, OMP_GET_THREAD_NUM REAL*4 X COMMON /C1/ A SAVE X	THREADPRIVATE Directive Example in Fortran — X must have the SAVE attribute
<pre>!\$OMP THREADPRIVATE(/C1/, X) C Explicitly turn off dynamic threads CALL OMP_SET_DYNAMIC(.FALSE.) PRINT *, '1st Parallel Region:' !\$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(B, TID) TID = OMP_GET_THREAD_NUM()</pre>	THREADPRIVATE variables (X & A) persist between different parallel sections
A = TID $B = TID$ $X = 1.1 * TID + 1.0$ $PRINT *, 'Thread', TID, ': A, B, X=', A, B, X$ $!$OMP END PARALLEL$	B doesn't persist between different parallel sections
PRINT *, '**********************************	B is undefined in the 2 nd parallel region
<pre>!\$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(TID) TID = OMP_GET_THREAD_NUM() PRINT *, 'Thread',TID,': A,B,X=',A,B,X</pre>	
!\$OMP END PARALLEL END	67

Try it out

<pre>\$ ifort -openm \$ export OMP_N \$./threadpriv </pre>	UM_THREAD		readpriv.x		
1st Parallel Thread	5		0	0	1 000000
	0:	A,B,X=	U	0	1.000000
Thread	3:	A,B,X=	3	3	4.300000
Thread	2:	A,B,X=	2	2	3.200000
Thread *********	1 : ********	A,B,X=	1 ***	1	2.100000
Master thread doing serial work here					
2nd Parallel	Reaion:				
Thread	3 :	A,B,X=	3	40896	4.300000
Thread	0 :	A, B, X=	0	40896	1.000000
Thread	1 :	A,B,X=	1	40896	2.100000
Thread	2 :	A,B,X=	2	40896	3.200000

```
#include <omp.h>
                                                      THREADPRIVATE Directive Example in
int a, b, i, tid; float x;
#pragma omp threadprivate(a, x)
                                                                     C/C++
int main () {
 /* Explicitly turn off dynamic threads */
 omp_set_dynamic(0);
 printf("1st Parallel Region:\n");
 #pragma omp parallel private(b,tid)
                                                      THREADPRIVATE variables (a & x) persist
                                                      between different parallel sections
   tid = omp_get_thread_num();
   a = tid:
   b = tid;
   x = 1.1 * tid + 1.0;
                                                      b doesn't persist between different parallel
   printf("Thread %d: a,b,x= %d %d %f\n",tid,a,b,x);
                                                      sections
  } /* end of parallel section */
 printf("Master thread doing serial work here\n");
 b is undefined in the 2<sup>nd</sup> parallel region
 printf("2nd Parallel Region:\n");
 #pragma omp parallel private(tid)
   tid = omp_get_thread_num();
   printf("Thread %d: a,b,x= %d %d %f\n",tid,a,b,x);
 } /* end of parallel section */
 return 0:
}
                                                                                   69
```

Try it out

```
$ ifort -openmp threadpriv.f -o threadpriv.x
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4
$ ./threadpriv.x
1st Parallel Region:
Thread 0: a,b,x= 0 0 1.000000
Thread 1: a,b,x= 1 1 2.100000
Thread 2: a,b,x= 2 2 3.20000
Thread 3: a,b,x= 3 3 4.300000
******
Master thread doing serial work here
******
2nd Parallel Region:
Thread 1: a,b,x= 1 0 2.100000
Thread 3: a,b,x= 3 0 4.300000
Thread 0: a,b,x=0 \ 0 \ 1.000000
Thread 2: a,b,x= 2 0 3.200000
```

Directive Scoping

- Static (Lexical) Extent:
 - The code textually enclosed between the beginning and the end of a structured block following a directive.
 - The static extent of a directives does not span multiple routines or code files
- Orphaned Directive:
 - An OpenMP directive that appears independently from another enclosing directive is an orphaned directive. It exists outside of another directive's static (lexical) extent.
 - Will span routines and possibly code files
- Dynamic:
 - The dynamic extent of a directive includes both its static (lexical) extent and the extents of its orphaned directives.
- OpenMP specifies a number of scoping rules on how directives may associate (bind) and nest within each other

Directive Scoping Example

PROGRAM TEST	SUBROUTINE SUB1		
!\$OMP PARALLEL	!\$OMP CRITICAL		
!\$OMP DO DO I=	<pre>!\$OMP END CRITICAL END</pre>		
CALL SUB1	SUBROUTINE SUB2		
ENDDO	!\$OMP SECTIONS		
CALL SUB2	\$0MP END SECTIONS		
!\$OMP END PARALLEL	END		
STATIC EXTENT	ORPHANED DIRECTIVES		
The DO directive occurs within an enclosing	The CRITICAL and SECTIONS directives occur		
parallel region	outside an enclosing parallel region		
DYNAMIC EXTENT			
The CRITICAL and SECTIONS directives occur within the dynamic extent of the DO and PARALLEL directives.			

Data Scope Attribute Clauses

- PRIVATE Clause
- SHARED Clause
- DEFAULT Clause
- FIRSTPRIVATE Clause
- LASTPRIVATE Clause
- COPYIN Clause
- COPYPRIVATE Clause
- **REDUCTION Clause**

PRIVATE Clause

- The PRIVATE clause declares variables in its list to be private to each thread.
- PRIVATE variables behave as follows:
 - A new object of the same type is declared once for each thread in the team
 - All references to the original object are replaced with references to the new object
 - Variables declared PRIVATE should be assumed to be uninitialized for each thread
- Format:

Fortran	PRIVATE	(list)
C/C++	private	(list)

PRIVATE vs. THREADPRIVATE

	PRIVATE	THREADPRIVATE
Data Item	C/C++: variable Fortran: variable or common block	C/C++: variable Fortran: common block
Where Declared	At start of region or work-sharing group	In declarations of each routine using block or global file scope
Persistent?	No	Yes
Extent	Lexical only - unless passed as an argument to subroutine	Dynamic
Initialized	Use FIRSTPRIVATE	Use COPYIN

SHARED Clause

- The **SHARED** clause declares variables in its list to be shared among all threads in the team.
- A shared variable exists in only one memory location and all threads can read or write to that address
- It is the programmer's responsibility to ensure that multiple threads properly access **SHARED** variables (such as via **CRITICAL** sections)
- Format:

Fortran	SHARED	(list)
C/C++	shared	(list)

DEFAULT Clause

- The **DEFAULT** clause allows the user to specify a default scope for all variables in the lexical extent of any parallel region.
- Specific variables can be exempted from the default using the **PRIVATE**, **SHARED**, **FIRSTPRIVATE**, **LASTPRIVATE**, and **REDUCTION** clauses
- The C/C++ OpenMP specification does not include *private* or *firstprivate* as a possible default. However, actual implementations may provide this option.
- Using **NONE** as a default requires that the programmer explicitly scope all variables.
- Format:

Fortran	DEFAULT (PRIVATE FIRSTPRIVATE SHARED NONE)
C/C++	default (shared none)

FIRSTPRIVATE Clause

- The **FIRSTPRIVATE** clause combines the behavior of the **PRIVATE** clause with automatic initialization of the variables in its list.
- Listed variables are initialized according to the value of their original objects prior to entry into the parallel or work-sharing construct.
- Format:

Fortran	FIRSTPRIVATE	(list)
C/C++	firstprivate	(list)

LASTPRIVATE Clause

- The LASTPRIVATE clause combines the behavior of the PRIVATE clause with a copy from the last loop iteration or section to the original variable object.
- The value copied back into the original variable object is obtained from the last (sequentially) iteration or section of the enclosing construct.
- Format:

Fortran	LASTPRIVATE	(list)
C/C++	lastprivate	(list)

COPYIN Clause

- The **COPYIN** clause provides a means for assigning the same value to **THREADPRIVATE** variables for all threads in the team.
- List contains the names of variables to copy. In Fortran, the list can contain both the names of common blocks and named variables.
- The master thread variable is used as the copy source. The team threads are initialized with its value upon entry into the parallel construct.
- Format:

Fortran	COPYIN	(list)
C/C++	copyin	(list)

COPYPRIVATE Clause

- The **COPYPRIVATE** clause can be used to broadcast values acquired by a single thread directly to all instances of the private variables in the other threads.
- Associated with the SINGLE directive
- Format:

Fortran	COPYPRIVATE	(list)
C/C++	copyprivate	(list)

REDUCTION Clause

- The REDUCTION clause performs a reduction on the variables that appear in its list.
- A private copy for each list variable is created for each thread. At the end of the reduction, the reduction variable is applied to all private copies of the shared variable, and the final result is written to the global shared variable.
- Format:

Fortran	REDUCTION	(operator/intrinsic:	list)
C/C++	reduction	(operator: list)	

REDUCTION Clause Example in Fortran

```
PROGRAM DOT_PRODUCT
       INTEGER N, CHUNKSIZE, CHUNK, I
       PARAMETER (N=100)
       PARAMETER (CHUNKSIZE=10)
       REAL A(N), B(N), RESULT
       initializations omitted
       RESULT= 0.0
       CHUNK = CHUNKSIZE
! SOMP
      PARALLEL DO
!$OMP& DEFAULT(SHARED) PRIVATE(1)
!$OMP& SCHEDULE(STATIC,CHUNK)
!$OMP& REDUCTION(+:RESULT)
       DO I = 1, N
         RESULT = RESULT + (A(I) * B(I))
       ENDDO
! $OMP
       END PARALLEL DO
       PRINT *, 'Final Result= ', RESULT
       END
```

- Iterations of the parallel loop will be distributed in equal sized blocks to each thread in the team (SCHEDULE STATIC)
- At the end of the parallel loop construct, all threads will add their values of "result" to update the master thread's global copy.

REDUCTION Clause Example in C/C++

```
#include <omp.h>
int main () {
  int i, n, chunk;
  float a[100], b[100], result;
  /* initializations omitted*/
  n = 100:
  chunk = 10;
  result = 0.0;
  #pragma omp parallel for
    default(shared) private(i
    schedule(static,chunk)
    reduction(+:result)
  for (i=0; i < n; i++)
    result = result + (a[i] * b[i]);
  printf("Final result= %f\n", result);
  return 0:
}
```

- Iterations of the parallel loop will be distributed in equal sized blocks to each thread in the team (SCHEDULE STATIC)
- At the end of the parallel loop construct, all threads will add their values of "result" to update the master thread's global copy.

Clauses / Directives Summary

The table below summarizes which clauses are accepted by which OpenMP directives:

	Directive					
Clause	PARALLEL	DO/for	SECTIONS	SINGLE	PARALLEL DO/for	PARALLEL SECTIONS
IF	•				•	•
PRIVATE	•	•	•	٠	•	•
SHARED	•	•			•	•
DEFAULT	•				•	•
FIRSTPRIVATE	•		•	•	•	•
LASTPRIVATE		•	•		•	•
REDUCTION	•	•	•		•	•
COPYIN	•				•	•
COPYPRIVATE				•		
SCHEDULE		•			•	
ORDERED		•			•	
NOWAIT			•	•		

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Clauses / Directives Summary (cont'd)

- The following OpenMP directives do not accept clauses:
 - MASTER
 - CRITICAL
 - **OBARRIER**
 - ATOMIC
 - $\circ \text{FLUSH}$
 - \circ ORDERED
 - THREADPRIVATE
- Implementations may (and do) differ from the standard in which clauses are supported by each directive.

Directive Binding Rules

- The DO/for, SECTIONS, SINGLE, MASTER and BARRIER directives bind to the dynamically enclosing PARALLEL, if one exists. If no parallel region is currently being executed, the directives have no effect.
- The ORDERED directive binds to the dynamically enclosing DO/for.
- The ATOMIC directive enforces exclusive access with respect to ATOMIC directives in all threads, not just the current team.
- The CRITICAL directive enforces exclusive access with respect to CRITICAL directives in all threads, not just the current team.
- A directive can never bind to any directive outside the closest enclosing PARALLEL.

Directive Nesting Rules

- A worksharing region may not be closely nested inside a worksharing, explicit task, critical, ordered, atomic, or master region.
- A barrier region may not be closely nested inside a worksharing, explicit task, critical, ordered, atomic, or master region.
- A master region may not be closely nested inside a worksharing, atomic, or explicit task region.
- An ordered region may not be closely nested inside a critical, atomic, or explicit task region.
- An ordered region must be closely nested inside a loop region (or parallel loop region) with an ordered clause.
- A critical region may not be nested (closely or otherwise) inside a critical region with the same name. Note that this restriction is not sufficient to prevent deadlock.
- parallel, flush, critical, atomic, taskyield, and explicit task regions may not be closely nested inside an atomic region.

The term "closely nested region" means a region that is dynamically nested inside another region with no parallel region nested between them.

Runtime Library Routines

- The OpenMP API includes an ever-growing number of run-time library routines.
- For C/C++, all of the run-time library routines are actual subroutines. For Fortran, some are actually functions, and some are subroutines.
- For C/C++, you usually need to include the <omp.h> header file.
- Fortran routines are not case sensitive, but C/C++ routines are.
- For the Lock routines/functions:
 - The lock variable must be accessed only through the locking routines
 - For Fortran, the lock variable should be of type integer and of a kind large enough to hold an address.
 - For C/C++, the lock variable must have type omp_lock_t or type omp_nest_lock_t, depending on the function being used.

Routine	Purpose	
OMP_SET_NUM_THREADS	Sets the number of threads that will be used in the next parallel region	
OMP_GET_NUM_THREADS	Returns the number of threads that are currently in the team executing the parallel region from which it is called	
OMP_GET_MAX_THREADS	Returns the maximum value that can be returned by a call to the OMP_GET_NUM_THREADS function	
OMP_GET_THREAD_NUM	Returns the thread number of the thread, within the team, making this call.	
OMP_GET_THREAD_LIMIT	Returns the maximum number of OpenMP threads available to a program	
OMP_GET_NUM_PROCS	Returns the number of processors that are available to the program	
OMP_IN_PARALLEL	Used to determine if the section of code which is executing is parallel or not	
OMP_SET_DYNAMIC	Enables or disables dynamic adjustment (by the run time system) of the number of threads available for execution of parallel regions	
OMP_GET_DYNAMIC	Used to determine if dynamic thread adjustment is enabled or not	
OMP_SET_NESTED	Used to enable or disable nested parallelism	
OMP_GET_NESTED	Used to determine if nested parallelism is enabled or not	
OMP_SET_SCHEDULE	Sets the loop scheduling policy when "runtime" is used as the schedule kind in the OpenMP directive	
OMP_GET_SCHEDULE	Returns the loop scheduling policy when "runtime" is used as the schedule kind in the OpenMP directive	
OMP_SET_MAX_ACTIVE_LEVELS	Sets the maximum number of nested parallel regions	-
OMP_GET_MAX_ACTIVE_LEVELS	Returns the maximum number of nested parallel regions	
OMP_GET_LEVEL	Returns the current level of nested parallel regions	
OMP_GET_ANCESTOR_THREAD_NUM	Returns, for a given nested level of the current thread, the thread number of ancestor thread	
OMP_GET_TEAM_SIZE	Returns, for a given nested level of the current thread, the size of the thread team	
OMP_GET_ACTIVE_LEVEL	Returns the number of nested, active parallel regions enclosing the task that contains the call	
OMP_IN_FINAL	Returns true if the routine is executed in the final task region; otherwise it returns false	1
OMP_INIT_LOCK	Initializes a lock associated with the lock variable	
OMP_DESTROY_LOCK	Disassociates the given lock variable from any locks	
OMP_SET_LOCK	Acquires ownership of a lock	-
OMP_UNSET_LOCK	Releases a lock	
OMP_TEST_LOCK	Attempts to set a lock, but does not block if the lock is unavailable	
OMP_INIT_NEST_LOCK	Initializes a nested lock associated with the lock variable	
OMP_DESTROY_NEST_LOCK	Disassociates the given nested lock variable from any locks	
OMP_SET_NEST_LOCK	Acquires ownership of a nested lock	
OMP_UNSET_NEST_LOCK	Releases a nested lock	
OMP_TEST_NEST_LOCK	Attempts to set a nested lock, but does not block if the lock is unavailable	
OMP_GET_WTIME	Provides a portable wall clock timing routine	
OMP_GET_WTICK	Returns a double-precision floating point value equal to the number of seconds between successive clock ticks	

Environment Variables

OMP_SCHEDULE

Applies only to DO, PARALLEL DO (Fortran) and for, parallel for (C/C++) directives which have their schedule clause set to RUNTIME. The value of this variable determines how iterations of the loop are scheduled on processors. For example (bash):

```
export OMP_SCHEDULE="guided, 4"
```

```
export OMP_SCHEDULE="dynamic"
```

OMP_NUM_THREADS

Sets the maximum number of threads to use during execution. For example (bash): export OMP_NUM_THREADS=8

OMP_DYNAMIC

Enables or disables dynamic adjustment of the number of threads available for execution of parallel regions. Valid values are TRUE or FALSE. For example (bash): export OMP_DYNAMIC=TRUE

Environment Variables (cont'd)

OMP_PROC_BIND

Enables or disables threads binding to processors. Valid values are TRUE or FALSE. For example (bash):

export OMP_PROC_BIND=TRUE

OMP_NESTED

Enables or disables nested parallelism. Valid values are TRUE or FALSE. For example (bash):

export OMP_NESTED=TRUE

OMP_STACKSIZE / KMP_STACKSIZE

Controls the size (bytes) of the stack for created (non-Master) threads. Examples (bash):

export OMP_STACKSIZE=10M

```
export KMP_STACKSIZE=10M
```

KMP_: extensions

Environment Variables (cont'd)

OMP_WAIT_POLICY

Provides a hint to an OpenMP implementation about the desired behavior of waiting threads. Valid values are ACTIVE and PASSIVE. **ACTIVE** specifies that waiting threads should mostly be active, i.e., consume processor cycles, while waiting. **PASSIVE** specifies that waiting threads should mostly be passive, i.e., not consume processor cycles, while waiting. Examples (bash):

export OMP_WAIT_POLICY=ACTIVE

export OMP_WAIT_POLICY=PASSIVE

OMP_MAX_ACTIVE_LEVELS

Controls the maximum number of nested active parallel regions. The value of this environment variable must be a non-negative integer. Example (bash):

export OMP_MAX_ACTIVE_LEVELS=2

OMP_THREAD_LIMIT

Sets the number of OpenMP threads to use for the whole OpenMP program. The value of this environment variable must be a positive integer. Example (bash):

export OMP_THREAD_LIMIT=8

Thread Stack Size

- The OpenMP standard does not specify how much stack space a thread should have.
- Implementations differ in the default thread stack size. Default thread stack size can be easy to exhaust.

Compiler	Approx. Stack Limit	Approx. Array Size (doubles)
Intel	4 MB	700 x 700
PGI	8 MB	1000 x 1000
GCC	2 MB	500 x 500

- Threads that exceed their stack allocation may or may not seg fault. An application may continue to run while data is being corrupted.
- You can use the OMP_STACKSIZE (KMP_STACKSIZE) environment variable to set the OpenMP thread stack size (the Linux stack size is *unlimited* on Hyades):

```
export KMP_STACKSIZE=12M (sh/bash)
setenv KMP_STACKSIZE=12M (csh/tcsh)
```

Thread Binding

- In some cases, a program will perform better if its threads are bound to processors/cores.
- **Binding** a thread to a processor means that a thread will be scheduled by the operating system to always run on a the same processor. Otherwise, threads can be scheduled to execute on any processor and "bounce" back and forth between processors with each time slice.
- Also called "thread affinity" or "processor affinity"
- Binding threads to processors can result in better cache utilization, thereby reducing costly memory accesses. This is the primary motivation for binding threads to processors.
- The OpenMP version 3.1 API provides an environment variable to turn processor binding "on" or "off". For example (bash): export OMP_PROC_BIND=TRUE export OMP_PROC_BIND=FALSE
- At a higher level, processes can also be bound to processors.

Further Readings

- 1. OpenMP version 3.1 Complete Specifications: <u>http://www.openmp.org/mp-documents/OpenMP3.1.pdf</u>
- OpenMP version 3.1 Summary Card C/C++: <u>http://openmp.org/mp-documents/OpenMP3.1-CCard.pdf</u>
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- Using OpenMP: Portable Shared Memory Parallel Programming, by B. Chapman, G. Jost, & R. van der Pas, MIT press, 2007: <u>http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/bkabstractplus.jsp?bkn=6267237</u>
- 5. Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/OpenMP