Introduction to Parallel Computing

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Introduction
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However...

The BSD research community does not understand how to utilize resources properly.

Example:
- August 1st, 2018
- 1021 cores in use
- 39 jobs had requested a total of 358 cores
- All 39 jobs were single core jobs
- Thus, 319 cores were dedicated, but idle

My takeaways:
- The BSD research community does not really understand parallel computing!
- I have not done a good of training the BSD research community in this area!
Office Hours

Held every Tuesday and Thursday at Peck Pavilion N161

Users come in to work one-on-one to better utilize our HPC resources.

Three common questions on parallel computing:

1. Is this a worthwhile skill to learn? Aren't single processor systems fast enough and always improving?
2. Why can't processor manufacturers just make faster processors?
3. Will you write me a program that will automatically convert my serial application into a parallel application?
Obligatory Cost per Genome Slide
Motivation
Goals (of this presentation)

Understand the basic terminology found in parallel computing
Recognize the different types of parallel architectures
Learn how parallel performance is measured
Gain a high-level understanding to the different paradigms in parallel programming and what libraries are available to implement those paradigms

Please note that you will not be a parallel programming rock star after this three hour introduction
Overall Goals

Hopefully, there will be enough interest after this presentation to support a workshop series on parallel computing.

Possible topics for workshops are:

- Scientific Programming
- Parameterization
- OpenMP
- MPI
- CUDA
- OpenACC
Today's Outline

Terminology
Parallel Architectures
Measuring Parallel Performance
Embarrassingly Parallel Workflows
Shared Memory
Distributed Memory
Vectorization
Hybrid Computing
A Note on Sources

Presentation given at SC17 by Stout and Jablonowski from the University of Michigan
Introduction to Parallel Programming by Pacheco
Using OpenMP by Chapman, Jost, and Van Der Pas
Using MPI by Gropp, Lusk, Skjellum
Advanced MPI by Gropp, Hoefler, et al.
CUDA for Engineers by Storti and Yurtoglu
CUDA by Example by Sanders and Kandrot
Parallel Programming with OpenACC by Farber
The LLNL OpenMP and MPI tutorials
A Note on Format

Today's Seminar will be recorded for a ITM/CTSA grant

- Questions
- Whiteboard
- Swearing
Terminology
Caveats

There are no standardized definitions for terms in parallel computing, thus resources outside of this presentation may use the terms in a different way.

Many algorithms or software applications that you will find in the real world do not fall neatly into the categories mentioned in this presentation since they blend approaches in ways that difficult to categorize.
Basic Terminology

**Parallel Computing** – solving a problem in which multiple tasks cooperate closely and make simultaneous use of multiple processors

**Embarrassingly Parallel** – solving many similar, independent tasks; parameterization

**Multiprocessor** – multiple processors (cores) on a single chip

**Symmetric Multiprocessing (SMP)** - multiple processors sharing a single address space, OS instance, storage, etc. All processors are treated equally by the OS

**UMA** – Uniform Memory Access; all processors share the memory space uniformly

**NUMA** – Non-Uniform Memory Access; memory access time depends on the location of the memory relative to the processor
More Basic Terminology

**Cluster Computing** – A parallel system consisting of a combination of commodity units (processors or SMPs)

**Capacity Cluster** – A cluster designed to run a variety types of problems regardless of the size; the goal is to perform as much research as possible

**Capability Cluster** – The fastest, largest machines designed to solve large problems; the goal is to demonstrate capability of the parallel system

**High Performance Computing** – Solving large problems via a cluster of computers that consist of fast networks and massive storage
Even More Basic Terminology

**Instruction-Level Parallelism (ILP)** - Improves processor performance by having multiple processor components simultaneously executing instructions.

**Pipelining** – Breaking a task into steps performed by different processors with inputs streaming through, much like an assembly line.

**Superscalar Execution** - The ability for a processor to execute more than one instruction during a clock cycle by simultaneously dispatching multiple instructions to different execution units on the processor.

**Cache Coherence** - Synchronization between local caches for each processor.
Crash Simulation Example

Simplified model based on a crash simulation for the Ford Motor Company
Illustrates various aspects common to many simulations and applications
This example was provided by Q. Stout and C. Jablonowski of the University of Michigan
Finite Element Representation

Car is modeled by a triangulated surface (elements)
The simulation models the movement of the elements, incorporating the forces on the elements to determine their new position
In each time step, the movement of each element depends on its interaction with the other elements to which it is physically adjacent
In a crash, elements may end up touching that were not touching initially
The state of an element is its location, velocity, and information such as whether it is metal that is bending
Serial Crash Simulation

1. For all elements
2. Read State(element), Properties(element), Neighbor_list(element)
3. For time=1 to end_of_simulation
4. For element=1 to num_elements
5. Compute State(element) for next time step, based on the previous state of the element and its neighbors and the properties of the element
Simple Approach to Parallelization (Concepts)

**Distributed Memory** – Parallel system based on processors linked with a fast network; processors communicate via messages

**Owner Computes** – Distribute elements to processors; each processor updates the elements which it contains

**Single Program Multiple Data (SPMD)** - All machines run the same program on independent data; dominant form of parallel computing
Distributed Car
Basic Parallel Version

Concurrently for all processors P

1. For all elements assigned to P
2. Read State(element), Properties(element), Neighbor-list(element)
3. For time=1 to end_of_simulation
4. For element=1 to num_elements_in_P
5. Compute State (element) for next time step, based on previous state of element and its neighbors, and on properties of the element
Notes

Most of the code is the same as, or similar to, serial code.

High-level structure remains the same: a sequence of steps
• The sequence is a serial construct, but
• Now the steps are performed in parallel, but
• Calculations for individual elements are serial

Question:
• How does each processor keep track of adjacency info for neighbors in other processors?
Distributed Car (ghost cells)
Parallel Architectures
Flynn's Taxonomies

Hardware Classifications
{ S, M } I { S, M } D

**Single Instruction (SI)** - System in which all processors execute the same instruction

**Multiple Instruction (MI)** - System in which different processors may execute different instructions

**Single Data (SD)** - System in which all processors operate on the same data

**Multiple Data (MD)** - System in which different processors may operate on different data

Flynn's Taxonomies

**SISD** – Classic von Neumann architecture; serial computer

**MIMD** – Collections of autonomous processors that can execute multiple independent programs; each of which can have its own data stream

**SIMD** – Data is divided among the processors and each data item is subjected to the same sequence of instructions; GPUs, Advanced Vector Extensions (AVX)

**MISD** – Very rare; systolic arrays; smart phones carried by Chupacabras
CRAY-1 Vector Machine (1976)
Vector Machines Today
Software Taxonomies

Data Parallel (SIMD)
• Parallelism that is a result of identical operations being applied concurrently on different data items; e.g., many matrix algorithms
• Difficult to apply to complex problems

Single Program, Multiple Data (SPMD)
• A single application is run across multiple processes/threads on a MIMD architecture
• Most processes execute the same code but do not work in lock-step
• Dominant form of parallel programming
SISD vs. SIMD

Four summations (instructions):

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\begin{align*}
\text{a} + \text{a} &= 2\text{a} \\
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vs.

SIMD one summation (instruction):

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MIMD Architectures (Shared Memory)

Uniform Memory Access (UMA)

Non-Uniform Memory Access (NUMA)
More MIMD Architectures

Distributed Memory

Hybrid Memory
Shared Memory (SM)

Attributes:
• Global memory space
• Each processor will utilize its own cache for a portion of global memory; consistency of the cache is maintained by hardware

Advantages:
• User-friendly programming techniques (OpenMP and OpenACC)
• Low latency for data sharing between tasks

Disadvantages:
• Global memory space-to-CPU path may be a bottleneck
• Non-Uniform Memory Access
• Programmer responsible for synchronization
Distributed Memory (DM)

Attributes:
- Memory is shared amongst processors through message passing

Advantages:
- Memory scales based on the number of processors
- Access to a processor's own memory is fast
- Cost effective

Disadvantages:
- Error prone; programmers are responsible for the details of the communication
- Complex data structures may be difficult to distribute
Hardware/Software Models

Software and hardware models do not need to match

DM software on SM hardware:
• Message Passing Interface (MPI) - designed for DM Hardware but available on SM systems

SM software on DM hardware
• Remote Memory Access (RMA) included within MPI-3
• Partitioned Global Address Space (PGAS) languages
  • Unified Parallel C (extension to ISO C 99)
  • Coarray Fortran (Fortran 2008)
Difficulties

Serialization causes bottlenecks
Workload is not distributed
Debugging is hard
Serial approach doesn't parallelize
Parallel Performance
Definitions

SerialTime($n$) - Time for a serial program to solve a problem with an input of size $n$

ParallelTime($n,p$) - Time for a parallel program to solve the same problem with an input size of $n$ using $p$ processors

SerialTime($n$) ≤ ParallelTime($n,1$)

Speedup($n,p$) = SerialTime($n$) / ParallelTime($n,p$)

Work($n,p$) = $p$ * ParallelTime($n,p$)

Efficiency($n,p$) = SerialTime($n$) / [$p$ * ParallelTime($n,p$)]
Definitions

Expectations:
- $0 < \text{Speedup} \leq p$
- $\text{SerialWork} \leq \text{ParallelWork} < \infty$
- $0 < \text{Efficiency} \leq 1$

Linear Speedup: Speedup = $p$, given some restriction on the relationship between $n$ and $p$
In The Real World

![Graph showing speedup vs. processors with three lines labeled perfect, common, occasional.](Image of graph)
Superlinear Speedup

Superlinear Speedup: Speedup > $p$, thus Efficiency > 1

Why?

• Parallel computer has $p$ times as much RAM so a higher fraction of program memory is in RAM instead of disk.
• Parallel program used a different algorithm which was not possible with the serial program.
Amdahl's Law

Let $f$ be the fraction of time spent on serial operations

Let $\text{ParallelOps} = 1 - f$ and assume linear speedup

For $p$ processors:

• $\text{ParallelTime}(p) \geq \text{SerialTime}(p) \ast [f + (\text{ParallelOps}/p)]$
• $\text{Speedup}(p) \leq 1 / (f + \text{ParallelOps}/p)$

Thus, $\text{Speedup}(p) \leq 1/f$, no matter the number of processors used
Maximum Possible Performance
Pessimistic Interpretation

Amadal's Law

New Work
Optimistic Interpretation

We should be more optimistic than Amdahl's Law because:

- Algorithms with much smaller values of $f$
- More time spent in RAM than disk
- Time spent in $f$ is a decreasing fraction of the total time as problem size increases
Common Program Structure

1. Serial, time grows slowly with n
2. Parallelizable loop, grows with n
3. Serial, fixed time
4. Parallelizable loop within loop, time grows very rapidly with n
5. Serial, time grows slowly with n
Scaling Strategy

Increase $n$ as $p$ increases
  • Amdahl considered strong scaling where $n$ is fixed

Utilize weak scaling
  • The amount of data per processor is fixed
  • Efficiency can remain high if communication does not increase excessively
Embarrassingly Parallel Jobs
Parameterization

Requirements
• Independent tasks
• Common applications
• One job submission per task

Techniques
• Parameter sweeps (modify parameters mathematically for each task)
• List-driven analysis (modify parameters based on a list of values)
Example: List-Driven Analysis

Problem: Calculate the theoretical performance for the CRI HPC clusters (historically)

\[ R_{\text{peak}} = \text{Nodes} \times \text{CoresPerNodes} \times \text{ClockSpeed} \times \text{InstructPerCycle} \]
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#PBS –N Rpeak.@Cluster
#PBS –l nodes=1:ppn=1
#PBS –l mem=1gb
#PBS –l walltime=20:00

/\rpeak -n @Nodes -c @CoresPerNode \n   -s @ClockSpeed -i @InstructPerCycle
Shared Memory Parallelism
Shared Memory

All processors can directly access all the memory in the system (though access times may be different due to NUMA)

Software portability – Applications can be developed on serial machines and run on parallel machines without any changes

Latency Hiding – Ability to mask the access latency for memory access, I/O, and communications

Scheduling – Supports system-level dynamic mapping of tasks to processors

Ease of programming – Significantly easier to program (in my opinion) using a shared memory model over a distributed memory model
Parallelization Techniques: pthreads

POSIX threads
Standard threading implementation for UNIX-like operating systems (Linux, Mac OS X)
Library that can be linked with C programs
Some compilers include a Fortran version of pthreads
Knowledge of pthreads can easily be transferred to programming other widely used threading specifications (e.g., Java threads)
Matrix-Vector Multiplication (pthreads)

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <pthread.h>

/* Global variable: accessible to all threads */
int thread_count;

void* Pth_mat_vect(void* rank); /* Thread function */

int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    long thread; /* Use long in case of a 64-bit system */
    pthread_t* thread_handles;

    /* Get number of threads from the command line */
    thread_count = strtol(argv[1], NULL, 10);
    thread_handles = malloc(thread_count*sizeof(pthread_t));
```
Matrix-Vector Multiplication (pthreads)

* Create a thread for each rank */
for (thread=0; thread < thread_count; thread++)
    pthread_create(&thread_handles[thread], NULL,
                   Pth_mat_vect, (void*) thread);

* Join the results from each thread */
for (thread=0; thread < thread_count; thread++)
    pthread_join(thread_handles[thread], NULL);

free(thread_handles);
return 0;

/* main */
Matrix-Vector Multiplication (pthreads)

```c
void* Pth_mat_vect(void* rank) {
    long my_rank = (long) rank;
    int i, j;
    int local_m = m/thread_count;
    int my_first_row = my_rank * local_m;
    int my_last_row = (my_rank + 1) * local_m - 1;

    for (i = my_first_row; i <= my_last_row; i++) {
        y[i] = 0.0;
        for (j = 0; j < n; j++)
            y[i] += A[i][j]*x[j];
    }

    return NULL;
    /* Pth_mat_vect */
```
Parallelization Techniques: OpenMP

OpenMP is sort of an HPC standard for shared memory programming.

OpenMP version 4.5 released in 2015 and includes accelerator support as an advanced feature.

API for thread-based parallelism.

Explicit programming model, compiler interprets directives.

Based on a combination of compiler directives, library routines, and environment variables.

Uses the fork-join model of parallel execution.

Available in most Fortran and C compilers.
OpenMP Goals

Standardization: standard among all shared memory architectures and hardware platforms

Lean: simple and limited set of compiler directives for shared memory programming. Often significant performance gains using just 4-6 directives in complex applications.

Ease of use: supports incremental parallelization of a serial program, not an all-or-nothing approach.

Portability: supports Fortran, C, and C++
OpenMP Building Blocks

Compiler Directives (embedded in code)
- Parallel regions (PARALLEL)
- Parallel loops (PARALLEL DO)
- Parallel workshare (PARALLEL WORKSHARE)
- Parallel sections (PARALLEL SECTIONS)
- Parallel tasks (PARALLEL TASK)
- Serial sections (SINGLE)
- Synchronization (BARRIER, CRITICAL, ATOMIC, ...)
- Data structures (PRIVATE, SHARED, REDUCTION)

Run-time library routines (called in code)
- OMP_SET_NUM_THREADS
- OMP_GET_NUM_THREADS

UNIX Environment Variables (set before program execution)
- OMP_NUM_THREADS
Fork-Join Model

Parallel execution is achieved by generating threads which are executed in parallel.

Master thread executes in serial until the first parallel region is encountered.

Fork – The master thread created a team of threads which are executed in parallel.

Join – When the team members complete the work, they synchronize and terminate. The master thread continues sequentially.
Work-Sharing Constructs

DO/for loop
WORKSHARE

Fork

DO/WORKSHARE

Join

master thread

master thread

team

master thread

master thread

team

SECTIONS

Fork

Join

master thread

SINGLE

Fork

Join

master thread

master thread
Barriers

Barriers may be needed for correctness

Synchronization degrades performance
OpenMP Notation

OpenMP recognizes the following compiler directives that start with:

- !$OMP  (in Fortran)
- #pragma omp  (in C/C++)
Parallel Loops

Each thread executes part of the loop
The number of iterations is statically assigned to the threads upon entry to the loop
Number of iterations cannot be changed during executions
Implicit BARRIER at the end of the loop
High efficiency
Parallel Loop Example (Fortran)

$OMP PARALLEL

$OMP DO

DO i = 1, n
   a(i) = b(i) + c(i)
END DO

$OMP END DO

$OMP END PARALLEL
Parallel Sections

Multiple independent sections can be executed concurrently by separate threads
Each parallel section is assigned to a specific thread which executes the work from start to finish
Implicit BARRIER at the end of each SECTION
Nested parallel sections are possible, but impractical
Parallel Sections Example (Fortran)

$OMP PARALLEL SECTIONS

$OMP SECTION
DO i = 1, n
  a(i) = b(i) + c(i)
END DO

$OMP SECTION
DO i = 1, k
  d(i) = e(i) + f(i)
END DO

$OMP END PARALLEL SECTIONS
Parallel Tasks and Workshares

Parallel Tasks
- Unstructured parallelism
- Irregular problems like:
  - Recursive algorithms
  - Unbounded loops

Parallel Workshares
- Fortran only
- Used to parallelize assignments
```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

void Omp_mat_vect(int m, int n, double * restrict a,
                  double * restrict b, double * restrict c) {
    int i, j;

    //pragma omp parallel for default (none) \ 
    //    shared(m, n, a, b, c) private (i, j)
    for (i = 0; i < m; i++) {
        a[i] = 0.0;
        for (j = 0; j < n; j++)
            a[i] += b[i*n+j] * c[j];
    } /* End of omp parallel for */
```
Subroutine Pth_mat_vect(m, n, a, b, c)

Implicit none

Integer(kind=4) :: m, n
Real(kind=8) :: a(1:m), b(1:m, 1:n), c(1:n)
Integer :: i, j

$OMP PARALLEL DO DEFAULT(NONE) &
$OMP SHARED(m, n, a, b, c) PRIVATE(i, j)
do i = 1, m
   a(i) = 0.0
   do j = 1, n
      a(i) = a(i) + b(i, j) * c(j)
   end do
end do
$OMP END PARALLEL DO

Return
End subroutine Pth_mat_vect
OpenMP Errors

Variable Scoping: Which are shared and which are private
Sequential I/O in a parallel region can lead to an unpredictable order
False sharing: two or more processors access different variables in the same cache line (Performance)
Race Conditions
Deadlock
Summation Example

What is with the following code wrong?

```
sum = 0.0
$OMP PARALLEL DO
    DO i = 1, n
        sum = sum + a(i)
    END DO
$OMP END PARALLEL DO
```
Summation Example Correction

```
sum = 0.0
$OMP PARALLEL DO REDUCTION(+,sum)

DO i = 1, n
   sum = sum + a(i)
END DO

$ OMP END PARALLEL DO
```
Distributed Memory Parallelism
Message Passing

Communication on distributed memory systems are a significant aspect of performance and correctness.

Messages are relatively slow, with startup times (latency) taking thousands of cycles.

Once message passing has started, the additional time per byte (bandwidth) is relatively small.
Performance on Gardner

Intel Xeon E5-2683 Processor (Haswell)
Processor speed: 2,000 cycles per microsecond (µsec)
16 FLOPs/cycle: 32,000 FLOPs per µsec
MPI message latency = ~2.5 µsec or 80,000 FLOPs
MPI message bandwidth = ~7,000 bytes/µsec = 4.57 FLOPs/byte
Reducing Latency

Reduce the number of messages by mapping communicating entities onto the same processor

Combine messages having the same sender and destination

If processor A has data needed by processor B, have A send it to B, rather than waiting for B to request it. Processor A should send as soon as the data is ready, processor B should read it as late as possible to increase the probability that the data has arrived
Other Issues With Message Passing

Network Congestion

Deadlock

- Blocking: a processor cannot proceed until the message is finished
- With blocking communication, you may reach a point where no processor can proceed
- Non-blocking communication: easiest way to prevent deadlock; processors can send and proceed before receive is finished
Message Passing Interface (MPI)

International Standard
MPI 1.0 released in 1994
Current version is 3.1 (June 2015)
MPI 4.0 standard in the works
Available on all parallel systems
Interfaces in C/C++ and Fortran
Bindings for MATLAB, Python, R, and Java
Works on both distributed memory and shared memory hardware
Hundreds of functions, but you will need ~6-10 to get started
MPI Basics

Two common MPI functions:

- MPI_SEND() - to send a message
- MPI_RECV() - to receive a message

Function like write and read statements

Both are blocking operations

However, a system buffer is used that allows small messages to be non-blocking, but large messages will be blocking

The system buffer is based on the MPI implementation, not the standard

Blocking communication may lead to deadlocks
Small Messages

**Process 0**
- User data
- Local buffer
- Network

**Process 1**
- Local buffer
- User data
Large Messages

Process 0

User data

Network

Process 1

User data
# Deadlocks

## Source

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## Avoidance

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Non-Blocking Communication

Non-Blocking operations
  • MPI_ISEND()
  • MPI_IRECV()
  • MPI_WAIT()

The user can check for data at a later stage in the program without waiting
  • MPI_TEST()

Non-blocking operations will perform better than blocking operations.
Possible to overlap communication with computation
MPI Program Template

#include "mpi.h"

* Initialize MPI */
MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);

* Allow each processor to determine its role */
int num_processor, my_rank;
MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &num_processor);
MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &my_rank);

* Send and receive some stuff here */

* Finalize */
MPI_Finalize()
MPI Summation
MPI Summation

* Send and receive some stuff here */
if (my_rank == 0) {
    sum = 0.0;
    for (source=1; source < num_procs; source++) {
        MPI_RECV(&value, 1, MPI_FLOAT, source, tag,
                  MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);
        sum += value;
    }
}
else {
    MPI_SEND(&value, 1, MPI_FLOAT, 0, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
}
A More Efficient Receive

In the previous example, rank 0 received the messages in order based on ranks.

Thus, if processor 2 was delayed, then processor 0 was also delayed.

Make the following modification:

```c
MPI_RECV(&value, 1, MPI_FLOAT, MPI_ANY_SOURCE, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &status);
```

Now processor 0 can process messages as soon as they arrive.
MPI Reduction

Like OpenMP, MPI also has reduction operations that can be used for tasks such as summation. Reduction is a type of collective communication.

```c
MPI_REDUCE(&value, &sum, 1, MPI_FLOAT, MPI_SUM, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

Reduction operations:
- `MPI_SUM`, `MPI_MIN`, `MPI_MAX`, `MPI_PROD`
- `MPI_LAND`, `MPI_LOR`
Collective Communication

Most frequently invoked MPI routines after send and receive

Improve clarity, run faster than send and receive, and reduce the likelihood of making an error

Examples

• Broadcast (MPI_Bcast)
• Scatter (MPI_Scatter)
• Gather (MPI_Gather)
• All Gather (MPI_Allgather)
Broadcast

**MPI_Bcast**

Broadcasts a message from one task to all other tasks in communicator

```
count = 1;
source = 1;
task1 contains the message to be broadcast
MPI_Bcast(&msg, count, MPI_INT, source, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

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msg (before)

|       | 7     | 7     | 7     |

msg (after)
Scatter

**MPI_Scatter**

Sends data from one task to all other tasks in communicator

```c
sendcnt = 1;
recvcnt = 1;
src = 1;
task1 contains the data to be scattered

MPI_Scatter(sendbuf, sendcnt, MPI_INT
            recvbuf, recvcnt, MPI_INT
            src, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

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sendbuf (before)

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recvbuf (after)
Gather

**MPI_Gather**

Gathers data from all tasks in communicator to a single task

```c
sendcnt = 1;
recvcnt = 1;
src = 1;
MPI_Gather(sendbuf, sendcnt, MPI_INT
          recvbuf, recvcnt, MPI_INT
          src, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

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sendbuf (before)

recvbuf (after)
All Gather

**MPI_Allgather**

Gathers data from all tasks and then distributes to all tasks in communicator

```c
sendcnt = 1;
recvcont = 1;
MPI_Allgather(sendbuf, sendcnt, MPI_INT
            recvbuf, recvcont, MPI_INT
            MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

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sendbuf (before):

1 1 1 1
2 2 2 2
3 3 3 3
4 4 4 4

recvbuf (after):
MPI Data Types

Primitive data types (correspond to those found in the underlying language)

- Fortran
  - MPI_CHARACTER
  - MPI_INTEGER
  - MPI_REAL, MPI_DOUBLE_PECISION
  - MPI_LOGICAL
- C/C++ (include many more variants than Fortran)
  - MPI_CHAR
  - MPI_INT, MPI_UNSIGNED, MPI_LONG
  - MPI_FLOAT, MPI_DOUBLE
  - MPI_C_BOOL
MPI Data Types

Derived data types are also possible

- Vector – data separated by a constant stride
- Contiguous – data separated by a stride of 1
- Struct – mixed types
- Indexed – array of indices
MPI Vector

MPI_Type_vector

\begin{verbatim}
count = 4; blocklength = 1; stride = 4;
MPI_Type_vector(count, blocklength, stride, MPI_FLOAT, &columntype);
\end{verbatim}

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline
1.0 & 2.0 & 3.0 & 4.0 \\
\hline
5.0 & 6.0 & 7.0 & 8.0 \\
\hline
9.0 & 10.0 & 11.0 & 12.0 \\
\hline
13.0 & 14.0 & 15.0 & 16.0 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}

a[4][4]

\begin{verbatim}
MPI_Send(&a[0][1], 1, columntype, dest, tag, comm);
\end{verbatim}

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline
2.0 & 6.0 & 10.0 & 14.0 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}

1 element of columntype
MPI Contiguous

MPI_Type_contiguous

```c
int count = 4;
MPI_Type_contiguous(count, MPI_FLOAT, &rowtype);
```

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```
MPI_Send(&a[2][0], 1, rowtype, dest, tag, comm);
```

|     | 9.0 | 10.0| 11.0| 12.0|
MPI Struct

MPI_Type_struct

typedef struct { float x, y, z, velocity; int n, type; } Particle;
Particle particles[NELEM];

MPI_Type_extent(MPI_FLOAT, &extent);

count = 2; oldtypes[0] = MPI_FLOAT;
offsets[0] = 0;
blockcounts[0] = 4;
oldtypes[1] = MPI_INT
offsets[1] = 4 * extent;
blockcounts[1] = 2;

... particles[NELEM] ...

MPI_Type_struct(count, blockcounts, offsets, oldtypes, &particletype);

MPI_Send(particles, NELEM, particletype, dest, tag, comm);

Sends entire (NELEM) array of particles, each particle being comprised four floats and two integers.
MPI Indexed

MPI_Type_indexed

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\end{array}
\]

MPI_Type_indexed(count, blocklengths, displacements, MPI_FLOAT, &index);

MPI_Send(&a, 1, index, dest, tag, comm);

1 element of
index
MPI Synchronization

Implicit synchronization
- Blocking communication
- Collective communication

Explicit synchronization
- MPI_Wait
- MPI_Waitany
- MPI_Barrier

Remember, synchronization can hinder performance
Additional MPI Features

Virtual topologies
User-created communicators
User-specified derived data types
Parallel I/O
One-sided communication (MPI_Put, MPI_Get)
Non-blocking collective communication
Remote Memory Access
Vectorization
Accelerators

Principle: Split an operation into independent parts and execute the parts concurrently in an accelerator (SIMD)

```
DO I = 1, 1000
    A(I) = B(I) + C(I)
END DO
```

Accelerators like Graphics Processing Units are specialized for SIMD operations
Popularity

In 2012, 13% of the performance share of the Top 500 Supercomputers was provided through accelerators.

Today, the performance share for accelerators is ~38%.

Trend: Build diverse computing platforms with multiprocessors, SMP nodes, and accelerators.

Caveat: Difficult to use heterogenous hardware effectively.
## Modern Accelerators

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<th>NVidia Volta</th>
<th>Intel Xeon Phi Knight's Landing</th>
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<td>7.5 TFLOPs double precision</td>
<td>• 3 TFLOPs double precision</td>
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<td>30 TFLOPs half precision</td>
<td>• 72 cores (288 threads)</td>
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<td>• 16 GB RAM</td>
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<td>16 GB RAM</td>
<td>• 384 GB/s memory bandwidth</td>
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<td>• Includes both a scalar and a vector unit</td>
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NVidia Architecture

SIMT: Single Instruction, Multiple Thread (Similar to SIMD)

Thread blocks are executed by a warp of 32 cores

Performance is dependent on memory alignment and eliminating shared memory access
Programming GPUs

Low-Level Programming
- Proprietary – NVidia's CUDA
- Portable – OpenCL

High-Level Programming
- OpenACC
- OpenMP 4.5
- Allows for a single code base that may be compiled on both multicore and GPUs
int main(void) {
    int *a, *b, *c;    // CPU copies
    int *dev_a, *dev_b, *dev_c;    // GPU copies

    /* Allocate memory on GPU */
    arraysize = n*sizeof(int);
    cudaMalloc((void**)&dev_a, arraysize);
    cudaMalloc((void**)&dev_b, arraysize);
    cudaMalloc((void**)&dev_c, sizeof(int));

    use malloc for a, b, c
    initialize a, b

    /* Move a and b to the GPU */
    cudaMemcpy(dev_a, a, arraysize, cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
    cudaMemcpy(dev_b, b, arraysize, cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);

    /* Launch GPU kernel */
    dot <<< n/threads_per_block,threads_per_block >>>(dev_a,dev_b,dev_c);

    /* Copy results back to CPU
    cudaMemcpy(c, dev_c, sizeof(int), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost)

    return 0;
}
CUDA Matrix Multiplication

global _void dot(int *a, int *b, int *c) {
    _shared _int temp[threads_per_block];
    int index = threadIdx.x + blockIdx.x + blockDim.x;

    /* Convert warp index to global */
    temp[threadIdx.x] = a[index] * b[index];

    /* Avoid race condition on sum within block */
    _syncthreads();

    if (threadIdx.x == 0) {
        int sum = 0;
        for (int i = 0; i < threads_per_block; i++)
            sum += temp[i];

        /* add to global sum */
        atomicAdd(c, sum)
    }
OpenACC and OpenMP

Share the same model of computation
Host-centric – host device offloads code regions and data to accelerators
Device – has independent memory and multiple threads
Mapping clause – Defines the relationship between memory on the host device and memory on the accelerator
```c
int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    int n = atoi(argv[1]);
    float *a = (float *)malloc(sizeof(float) * n * n);
    float *b = (float *)malloc(sizeof(float) * n * n);
    float *c = (float *)malloc(sizeof(float) * n * n);

    #pragma acc data copyin(a[0:n*n], b[0:n*n]), copy(c[0:n*n]) {
        int i, j, k;

        #pragma acc kernels
        for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
            for (j = 0; j < n; j++) {
                a[i*n+j] = (float) i + j;
                b[i*n+j] = (float) i - j;
                c[i*n+j] = 0.0;
            }
        }
    }
}
OpenACC Matrix Multiplication

#pragma acc kernels
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    for (j = 0; j < n; j++) {
        for (k = 0; k < n; k++) {
            c[i * n + j] += a[i * n + k] * b[k * n + j];
        }
    }
}
Speedup?

Some problems can achieve a speedup of 10x-100x by offloading some of the work to a GPU (e.g. linpack, matrix multiplication)

In reality:

- Only a small fraction of applications can utilize a GPU effectively
- The average speedup of those applications is ~2x-4x
- Optimizing your code using multicore technologies is probably a better use of your time
Problem Areas

Branching can cut your performance by 50% since instructions need to be issued for both branches.

Memory bandwidth on GPUs is poor:
- Need to make sure your operands are used more than once.
- For the NVidia Volta, all operands need to be used 67x to achieve peak FLOPs.
Accelerator Trends

Intel has canceled Knight's Landing and Knight's Hill; future Xeon Phi status is unknown

GPUs are becoming less rigidly SIMD and including better memory bandwidth

More programmers moving from low-level programming like CUDA to high-level directives

PGI Compiler was purchased by NVidia in 2013; cut support for OpenCL

OpenACC and OpenMP still have not merged

Efficiency of GPUs is still problematic and the programming model is a moving target

New Motivation: Deep Learning
Hybrid Computing
Current Trend

Accelerator-based machines are grabbing the high rankings on the Top 500, but clusters with standard cores are still most important economically.

Economics dictates distributed memory system of shared memory boards with multicore commodity chips, perhaps with some form of accelerator distributed sparingly.
MPI+X

MPI

OpenMP

OpenACC

OpenCL

CUDA

Accelerator

Shared Memory

Distributed Memory

PGAS (UPC, CAF)
Conclusion
Topics for Possible Future Workshops

Scientific Computing (C++ or Fortran or Both)
Parallel Computing Theory (e.g., Load balancing, measuring performance)
Embarrassingly Parallel
pthreads
OpenMP
MPI
OpenACC
CUDA
Parallel Debugging/Profiling