Introduction to Parallel Programming

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Concurrency or Parallelism?

A concurrent program or algorithm is one where operations can occur at the same time. For instance, a simple integration, where numbers are summed over an interval. The interval can be broken into many concurrent sums of smaller sub-intervals. Concurrency is a property of the program.

Parallel execution is when the concurrent parts are executed at the same time on separate processors. The distinction is subtle, but important. And, parallel execution is a property of the machine, not the program.
A system is said to be concurrent if it can support two or more actions \textit{in progress} at the same time. A system is said to be parallel if it can support two or more actions \textit{executing} simultaneously.
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NO

One Core processor!
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Dual Core processor!
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YES

Dual Core processor!
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Shared Memory has been used to designate a symmetric multiprocessor system (SMP) whose individual processors share memory in such a way that each of them can access any memory location with relative same speed.
Blacklight is an SGI UV 1000 cc-NUMA shared-memory system comprising 256 blades.

Each blade holds 2 Intel Xeon X7560 (Nehalem) eight-core processors, for a total of 4096 cores across the whole machine.

Each core has a clock rate of 2.27 GHz, supports two hardware threads and can perform 9 Gflops.

Thus, the total floating point capability of the machine is 37 Tflops.

The central hub of RDAV's capabilities is an SGI Altix 1000 UltraViolet system named Nautilus. The UltraViolet architecture is a shared memory system with a single system image, allowing both exploitation of a large number of processors for distributed processing and the execution of legacy serial analysis algorithms for very large data processing by large numbers of users simultaneously. Nautilus has 1024 cores (Intel Nehalem EX processors) and 4 terabytes of global shared memory.
Distributed memory refers to a multiple-processor computer system in which each processor has its own private memory. Computational tasks can only operate on local data, and if remote data is required, the computational task must communicate with one or more remote processors.
Kraken Cray XT5 system specifications:

- Cray Linux Environment (CLE) 3.1
- A peak performance of 1.17 PetaFLOP
- 112,896 compute cores
- 147 TB of compute memory
- A 3.3 PB raw parallel file system of disk storage for scratch space (2.4 PB available)
- 9,408 compute nodes

The Ranger system is comprised of 3,936 16-way SMP compute nodes providing 15,744 AMD Opteron processors for a total of 62,976 compute cores, 123 TB of total memory and 1.7 PB of raw global disk space. It has a theoretical peak performance of 579 TFLOPS. All Ranger nodes are interconnected using InfiniBand technology in a full-CLOS topology providing a 1GB/sec point-to-point bandwidth.
Common features

- Extra code/logic/work

  *Extra code and logic is needed to make the code work: synchronize, communicate,...*

- Dividing work

  *There has to be a plan on how to distribute the data or work to be done.*

- Sharing data

  *There will be times when processes need to share something*

- Static/dynamic allocation of work or data

  *Work/data can be assigned at one time or over time*
Features unique to shared memory

• Local declarations/storage

  There are times it will be useful to have a private or local variable that is accessed only by one thread.

• Memory effect

  Race conditions can be a problem.

• Communication in memory

  Threads share data by reading/writing to/from same memory location.
Features unique to shared memory

- Producer/consumer technique

  Shared queues that contain capsulated tasks become a common technique to distribute work safely among threads (consumer/worker).

- Reader/Writer locks

  There is a need for locks that allow multiple reader threads to enter protected area of code accessing shared variable.

- Mutual exclusion

  There is a need for a mechanism to allow access to one and only one thread at a time, specially when writing to memory.
Example: “Let’s prepare a meal”

- Beverages
- Salad
- Soup
- Entree
- Dessert

All these items can be prepared independently one from the other!
Task decomposition

• The goal of task decomposition is to identify computations/tasks that are completely independent.
• The tasks should be able to execute in any order.
• The most basic framework for doing work in parallel, is to have the main process define and prepare the tasks, launch the workers to execute their tasks, and then wait until all the spawned processes have completed.
• There are three key elements needed to consider:
  • What are the tasks and how are they defined?
  • What are the dependencies between tasks and how can they be satisfied?
  • How are the tasks assigned to threads
Task decomposition

What are the tasks and how are they defined?

• To get the biggest return on investment, you should initially focus on computationally intense portions of the application.

• The following aspects are important when doing the decomposition:
  • There should be at least as many tasks as there will be threads/processes (workers).
  • The amount of computation within each task must be large enough to offset overhead from supporting the parallel system.
Task decomposition

• The amount of computation/work within a task is called the granularity. The more computation there is within a task, the higher the granularity; the less computation there is, the lower the granularity. The terms coarse-grained and fine-grained are used to describe instances of high granularity and low granularity.

• Granularity can also be defined as the amount of computation done before synchronization is needed. The longer the time between synchronizations, the coarser the granularity will be. Fine-grained concurrency can suffer from not having enough work to do in order to overcome the overhead (cost).

• Larger tasks can yield better benefits from cache reuse, efficient memory patterns, ...

• You will need to find a way to balance these two criteria.
Task decomposition

Fine-grained

Coarse-grained
What are the dependencies between tasks and how can they be satisfied?

- There are two types of dependencies that can occur between tasks:
  - Order dependency: Some tasks depend on the completion or results from previous tasks. Like when building a house: *you do no start with the roof!*
  - Data dependency: Shared variables can be updated in the wrong order (non-deterministically) which can yield to wrong ending results. The easiest solution can be achieved by using local variables and/or using mutual exclusion techniques.
Data decomposition

Example: Image processing
Data decomposition

• Data decomposition is the method of defining tasks based on assigning blocks of large data structures to threads/processes. The most common structure used to decompose are arrays.

• There are three key elements to consider:
  • How to divide the data into chunks?
  • How to ensure that the tasks for each chunk have access to all data required for updates?
  • How are the data chunks assigned to threads?
Data decomposition

How to divide the data into chunks?

a) Individual elements
b) by row
c) by groups of columns
d) by blocks

When doing data decomposition, the shape of chunks is another dimension to consider!
Data decomposition

How to ensure that the tasks for each chunk have access to all data required for updates?

Extra local memory resources can be allocated to hold copied data from a neighboring chunk is often called "ghost cells"
How are the data chunks assigned to threads?

Similar to task decomposition, data chunks can be assigned to threads/processes statically (one time only), or dynamically (during the execution of the program).
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Parallelization methodology developed by Intel

• Analysis
  Find the parts of the code that can be parallelized. A profile of the serial execution can identify hot spots.

• Design and Implementation

• Test for correctness
  Sometimes the code will work fine in one system, but produce wrong results in another. No data races or deadlocks.

• Tune for performance
  After removing all errors introduced by the parallelization process, you can start tuning the code for performance. Recommended to start from a tuned serial code. Tuning parallel code typically comes down to identifying situations like contention, imbalance, excessive overhead, inefficient memory access. Always check correctness!
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Design Factor Scorecard
from Mattson’ Patterns for parallel Programming

Criteria used when developing parallel algorithms:

• Efficiency
  
  Overhead should be minimal. Application should make good use of resources.

• Simplicity
  
  The simpler your parallel algorithm is, the easier it will be to code it, debug it, verify it and maintain it.

• Portability
  
  Algorithm should not be platform dependent.

• Scalability
  
  Refers to the behavior of the program as the number of processors and the problem increases.

  Scalability and then Efficiency could be the most important.
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What’s not parallel?

Not everything can be executed in parallel. For example:

- Algorithms with state
- Recurrences
- Induction variables
- Reduction
- Loop carried dependencies
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• The Message-Passing Interface (MPI) is a standard for expressing distributed parallelism via message passing.

• MPI consists of a header file, a library of routines and a runtime environment.

• When you compile a program that has MPI calls in it, your compiler links to a local implementation of MPI, and then you get parallelism; if the MPI library isn’t available, then the compile will fail.

• MPI can be used in Fortran, C and C++.
Message Passing Interface

MPI calls in Fortran look like this:

```fortran
CALL MPI_Funcname(..., errcode)
```

In C, MPI calls look like:

```c
errcode = MPI_Funcname(...);
```

In C++, MPI calls look like:

```cpp
errcode = MPI::Funcname(...);
```

Notice that `errcode` is returned by the MPI routine `MPI_Funcname`, with a value of `MPI_SUCCESS` indicating that `MPI_Funcname` has worked correctly.
Message Passing Interface

• MPI is actually just an Application Programming Interface (API).

• An API specifies what a call to each routine should look like, and how each routine should behave.

• An API does not specify how each routine should be implemented, and sometimes is intentionally vague about certain aspects of a routine’s behavior.

• Each platform has its own MPI implementation.

• MPI uses the term “rank” to identify a process.
Message Passing Interface

Most common routines

• MPI_Init starts up the MPI runtime environment at the beginning of a run.
• MPI_Finalize shuts down the MPI runtime environment at the end of a run.
• MPI_Comm_size gets the number of processes in a run, Np (typically called just after MPI_Init).
• MPI_Comm_rank gets the process ID that the current process uses, which is between 0 and Np - 1 inclusive (typically called just after MPI_Init).
Most common routines

- **MPI_Send** sends a message from the current process to some other process (the destination).
- **MPI_Recv** receives a message on the current process from some other process (the source).
- **MPI_Bcast** broadcasts a message from one process to all of the others.
- **MPI_Reduce** performs a reduction (e.g., sum, maximum) of a variable on all processes, sending the result to a single process.
Anatomy of a Fortran MPI program

PROGRAM my_mpi_program
    IMPLICIT NONE
    INCLUDE "mpif.h"
        [other includes]
    INTEGER :: my_rank, num_procs, mpi_error_code
        [other declarations]
    CALL MPI_Init(mpi_error_code)     !! Start up MPI
    CALL MPI_Comm_Rank(my_rank, mpi_error_code)
    CALL MPI_Comm_size(num_procs, mpi_error_code)
        [actual work goes here]
    CALL MPI_Finalize(mpi_error_code) !! Shut down MPI
END PROGRAM my_mpi_program
**Message Passing Interface**

**Anatomy of a C MPI program**

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include "mpi.h"
    [other includes]

int main (int argc, char* argv[])
{ /* main */
    int my_rank, num_procs, mpi_error;
        [other declarations]
    mpi_error = MPI_Init(&argc, &argv); /* Start up MPI */
    mpi_error = MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &my_rank);
    mpi_error = MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, &num_procs);
        [actual work goes here]
    mpi_error = MPI_Finalize(); /* Shut down MPI */
} /* main */
```
• MPI uses kind of parallelism known as Single Program, Multiple Data (SPMD).

• This means that you have one MPI program – a single executable – that is executed by all of the processes in an MPI run.

• So, to differentiate the roles of various processes in the MPI run, you have to have if statements:

```c
if (my_rank == server_rank) {
    ...
}
```
Message Passing Interface

How it works

• Every process gets a copy of the executable: Single Program, Multiple Data (SPMD).
• They all start executing it.
• Each looks at its own rank to determine which part of the problem to work on.
• Each process works completely independently of the other processes, except when communicating.
Hello world example in C:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include "mpi.h"

int main ( int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int rank, size;

    MPI_Init (&argc, &argv);    /* starts MPI */
    MPI_Comm_rank (MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank);    /* get current process id */
    MPI_Comm_size (MPI_COMM_WORLD, &size);    /* get number of processes */
    printf( "Hello world from rank %d of %d\n", rank, size );
    MPI_Finalize();

    return 0;
}
```
Message Passing Interface

Compiling and running example in Kraken:

$ cc -o hello_mpi hello_mpi.c

$ qsub -I -l size=12,walltime=00:05:00
$ cd $SCRATCHDIR
$ aprun -n 3 ~/suraTraining/MPI/hello_mpi

Hello world from rank 2 of 3
Hello world from rank 1 of 3
Hello world from rank 0 of 3
Application 679385 resources: utime ~0s, stime ~0s

In other systems you might need to use `mpicc`, or link the mpi library with `−lmpi`.
• When MPI sends a message, it doesn’t just send the contents; it also sends an “envelope” describing the contents:

  • Size (number of elements of data type)
  • Data type
  • Source: rank of sending process
  • Destination: rank of process to receive
  • Tag (message ID)
  • Communicator (e.g., MPI_COMM_WORLD)

MPI_Send(message, strlen(message) + 1, 
          MPI_CHAR, destination, tag, 
          MPI_COMM_WORLD);
### Message Passing Interface

#### Data types

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MPI supports several other data types, but most are variations of these, and probably these are all you’ll use.
MPI Communicators

• An MPI communicator is a collection of processes that can send messages to each other.

• MPI_COMM_WORLD is the default communicator; it contains all of the processes. It’s probably the only one you’ll need.

• Some libraries create special library-only communicators, which can simplify keeping track of message tags.
What happens if one process has data that everyone else needs to know?

For example, what if the server process needs to send an input value to the others?

```c
MPI_Bcast(length, 1, MPI_INTEGER, source, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
```

Note that `MPI_Bcast` doesn’t use a tag, and that the call is the same for both the sender and all of the receivers.

All processes have to call `MPI_Bcast` at the same time; everyone waits until everyone is done.
MPI Reductions

• A reduction converts an array to a scalar: for example, sum, product, minimum value, maximum value, Boolean AND, Boolean OR, etc.

• Reductions are so common, and so important, that MPI has two routines to handle them:
  - MPI_Reduce: sends result to a single specified process
  - MPI_Allreduce: sends result to all processes (and therefore takes longer)
Non-blocking communications

• MPI allows a process to start a send, then go on and do work while the message is in transit.

• This is called non-blocking or immediate communication.

• Here, “immediate” refers to the fact that the call to the MPI routine returns immediately rather than waiting for the communication to complete.
Message Passing Interface

Immediate send

```c
mpi_error_code = 
    MPI_Isend(array, size, MPI_FLOAT, 
              destination, tag, communicator, 
              request);
```

Likewise:

```c
mpi_error_code = 
    MPI_Irecv(array, size, MPI_FLOAT, 
              source, tag, communicator, 
              request);
```

This call starts the send/receive, but the send/receive won’t be complete until:

```c
MPI_Wait(request, status);
```

What’s the advantage of this?
Communication hiding

In between the call to MPI_Isend/Irecv and the call to MPI_Wait, both processes can **do work**!

If that work takes at least as much time as the communication, then the cost of the communication is effectively zero, since the communication won’t affect how much work gets done. This is called **communication hiding**.

When you want to hide communication:

• as soon as you calculate the data, send it;
• don’t receive it until you need it.

That way, the communication has the maximal amount of time to happen in background (behind the scenes).
Calculating $\pi$

Integrating $f(x) = 4/(1 + x^2)$ from 0 to 1:

$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{4}{1 + x^2} \, dx = \pi$$

Dividing the interval into $N$ subintervals of width $\Delta = 1/N$:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \frac{4}{1 + x_i^2} \Delta \simeq \pi$$

Where $x_i = (i + 0.5) \Delta$.

The function $f(x)$ and a graph illustrating the integration process are also shown.
Serial PI example

```c
#include <stdio.h>
static long num_steps = 100000;
double pi, sum = 0.0;

int main () {
    int i;
    double step, x;
    step = 1.0/(double)num_steps;
    for (i=1; i<= num_steps; i++) {
        x = step*((double)i-0.5);
        sum += 4.0/(1.0+x*x);
    }
    pi = step * sum;
    printf("Pi is \%4.11f\n",pi);
    return 0;
}
```

Symbolically we know

$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{4}{1 + x^2} \, dx = \pi$$

which can be discretized

$$\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \frac{4}{1 + x_i^2} \Delta \approx \pi$$

$$x_i = (i + 0.5) \Delta$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{N}$$

$\$ pgcc -o pi pi.c
$ ./pi
Pi is 3.14159265360
Computing the value of \( \pi \) with MPI

```
#include "mpi.h"
#include <stdio.h>

int main( int argc, char *argv[] )
{
    int n=1000, myid, numprocs, i;
    double mypi, pi, h, sum, x;
    MPI_Init(&argc,&argv);
    MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&numprocs);
    MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_COMM_WORLD,&myid);
    MPI_Bcast(&n, 1, MPI_INT, 0, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
    h = 1.0 / (double) n;
    sum = 0.0;
    for (i = myid + 1; i <= n; i += numprocs) {
        x = h * ((double)i - 0.5);
        sum += (4.0 / (1.0 + x*x));
    }
    mypi = h * sum;
    MPI_Reduce(&mypi, &pi, 1, MPI_DOUBLE, MPI_SUM, 0,
                MPI_COMM_WORLD);
    if (myid == 0)
        printf("pi is approximately %.16f\n", pi);
    MPI_Finalize();
    return 0;
}
```
Message Passing Interface

Compiling and running example in Kraken:

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\begin{align*}
$ cc -o pi_mpi pi_mpi.c \\
$ qsub -I -lsize=12,walltime=00:05:00 \\
$ cd $SCRATCHDIR \\
$ aprun -n 3 ./pi_mpi \\
\end{align*}
\]

\texttt{pi} is approximately 3.1415927369231262

\texttt{Application 679597 resources: utime \~0s, stime \~0s}

In other systems you might need to use ‘\texttt{mpicc}’,
or link the mpi library with ‘\texttt{-lmpi}’. 
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OpenMP was defined by the OpenMP Architecture Review Board (ARB), a group of vendors who joined forces during the latter half of the 1990s to provide a common means for programming a broad range of SMP architectures.

OpenMP is not a new programming language! It can be considered as a “notation” that can be added to a sequential program in Fortran, C or C++ to describe how the work is to be shared among threads that will execute on different processors/cores, and to order accesses to shared data as needed.

The OpenMP Application Programming Interface (API) was developed to enable portable shared memory parallel programming.
• An OpenMP directive is an instruction in a special format that is only understood by OpenMP-aware compilers.
• The API is designed to permit incremental approach to parallelizing an existing code, possibly in successive steps. (Different to a all-or-nothing conversion as MPI).
• The impact of OpenMP parallelization is frequently localized, i.e. modifications are often needed in few places.
• The main approach is based in identifying the parallelism in the program, and not in reprogramming the code to implement the parallelism.
• It is possible to write the code such that the original sequential version is preserved.
The program starts as a single thread just like a sequential program. The thread that executes this code is referred to as the initial thread.

Whenever an OpenMP parallel construct is encountered, a team of threads is created (fork). The initial thread becomes the master of the team. They all execute the code enclosed in the construct.

At the end of the construct, only the original thread continues and all other terminate (join).
The OpenMP API provides directives, library functions and environment variables to create and control the execution of parallel programs.

### Basic constructs
- Parallel construct
- Work-Sharing constructs
  - Loop constructs
  - Sections constructs
  - Single constructs
  - Workshare constructs (Fortran only)
- Data-sharing, No-wait, and, Schedule classes

### Synchronization
- Barrier construct
- Critical construct
- Atomic construct
- Locks
- Master construct
- Locks
Parallel Construct

This construct is used to specify the code that should be executed in parallel. The code not enclosed by a parallel construct will NOT be executed in parallel.

C/C++ syntax

```c
#pragma omp parallel [clause[[,] clause]...]
{
    /* parallel section */
}
```

Fortran syntax

```fortran
!$omp parallel [clause[[,] clause]...] /* parallel section */
!$omp end parallel
```
General form of an OpenMP directive

C/C++ syntax

```c
#pragma omp directive-name [clause[,[,] clause]...] new-line
```

Note: In C/C++ directives are case sensitive!

Fortran syntax

```fortran
!$omp directive-name [clause[,[,] clause]...] new-line
c$omp directive-name [clause[,[,] clause]...] new-line
*$omp directive-name [clause[,[,] clause]...] new-line
```

Note: In Fortran all directives must begin with a directive sentinel. In fixed-source format Fortran there are three choices, but, the sentinel must start in column one. In free-source format only the first sentinel is supported.
Example: Hello world

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <omp.h>

int main (int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int tid;
    printf("Hello world from threads:\n");
    #pragma omp parallel private(tid)
    {
        tid = omp_get_thread_num();
        printf("<%d>\n", tid);
    }
    printf("I am sequential now\n");
    
    return 0;
}
```
Compiling and running example in Kraken:

$ cc -mp -o hello_openmp hello_openmp.c
$ qsub -I -lsize=12,walltime=00:05:00
$ cd $SCRATCHDIR
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=3
$ aprun -n1 -d3 ~/suraTraining/OPENMP/hello_openmp
Hello world from threads:
<0>
<2>
<1>
I am sequential now
Application 679908 resources: utime ~0s, stime ~0s
First attempt to compute $\pi$

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <omp.h>
#define NBIN 100000

int main() {
    double step, sum=0.0, pi;
    step = 1.0/NBIN;
    #pragma omp parallel
    {
        int nthreads, tid, i;
        double x;
        nthreads = omp_get_num_threads();
        tid = omp_get_thread_num();
        for (i=tid; i<NBIN; i+=nthreads) {
            x = (i+0.5)*step;
            sum += 4.0/(1.0+x*x);
        }
    }
    pi = sum*step;
    printf("PI = %f\n", pi);
    return 0;
}
```
First attempt to compute $\pi$

```
$ cc -mp -o pi1_omp pi1.c
$ qsub -I -lsize=12,walltime=00:10:00
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=3
$ cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR

$ aprun -n 1 -d3 ./pi1_omp

PI = 1.054395
```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <omp.h>
#define NBIN 100000

int main() {
    double step, sum = 0.0, pi;
    step = 1.0/NBIN;
    #pragma omp parallel
    {
        int nthreads, tid, i;
        double x;
        nthreads = omp_get_num_threads();
        tid = omp_get_thread_num();
        for (i = tid; i < NBIN; i += nthreads) {
            x = (i + 0.5) * step;
            #pragma omp critical
            sum += 4.0 / (1.0 + x * x);
        }
    }
    pi = sum * step;
    printf("PI = %f\n", pi);
    return 0;
}
Second attempt to compute $\pi$

```bash
$ cc -mp -o pi2_omp pi2.c $ qsub -I -lsize=12,walltime=00:10:00
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=3
$ cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
$ aprun -n 1 -d3 ./pi2_omp
PI = 3.141593
```
Third attempt to compute π

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <omp.h>
#define NBIN 100000
#define MAX_THREADS 12

int main() {
    int nthreads,tid;
    double step,sum[MAX_THREADS]={0.0},pi=0.0;
    step = 1.0/NBIN;
    #pragma omp parallel private(tid)
    {
        int i;
        double x;
        nthreads = omp_get_num_threads();
        tid = omp_get_thread_num();
        for (i=tid; i<NBIN; i+=nthreads) {
            x = (i+0.5)*step;
            sum[tid] += 4.0/(1.0+x*x);
        }
    }
    for(tid=0; tid<nthreads; tid++) pi += sum[tid]*step;
    printf("PI = %f\n",pi);
    return 0;
}
```
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Anything else?
TotalView from Rogue Wave Software is a parallel debugging tool that can be run with up to 512 processors.

It provides both X Windows-based Graphical User Interface (GUI) and command line interface (CLI) environments for debugging.
• Distributed Debugging Tool (DDT) from Allinea Software is a parallel debugger

• DDT is a parallel debugger which can be run with up to 8192 processors. It can be used to debug serial, OpenMP, MPI, Coarray Fortran (CAF), UPC (Unified Parallel C) codes.
Anything else?

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• CrayPat is a performance analysis tool offered by Cray for the XT and XE platforms.

• Cray Apprentice2 is a tool used to visualize performance data instrumented with the CrayPat tool.
Valgrind is well-known as a tool for finding errors of work with memory. But except this, it also contain number of additional utilities for performance profiling, finding synchronization errors in multi-threading programs and analysis of memory consumption.
Vampir provides an easy to use analysis framework which enables developers to quickly display program behavior at any level of detail.
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The Cray Scientific Libraries package, LibSci, is a collection of numerical routines optimized for best performance on Cray systems. When possible, you should use calls to the Cray LibSci routines in your code in place of calls to public-domain or user-written versions.

The Cray LibSci collection contains the following libraries:

- BLAS (Basic Linear Algebra Subroutines, including routines from the University of Texas 64-bit libGoto library);
- BLACS (Basic Linear Algebra Communication Subprograms);
- LAPACK (Linear Algebra Routines, including routines from the University of Texas 64-bit libGoto library);
- ScaLAPACK (Scalable LAPACK);
- IRT (Iterative Refinement Toolkit), linear solvers using 32-bit factorizations that preserve accuracy through mixed-precision iterative refinement;
- CRAFFT (Cray Adaptive Fast Fourier Transform Routines);
- FFT (Fast Fourier Transform Routines);
- FFTW2 (the Fastest Fourier Transforms in the West, release 2); and
- FFTW3 (the Fastest Fourier Transforms in the West, release 3).
ACML provides a free set of thoroughly optimized and threaded math routines for HPC, scientific, engineering and related compute-intensive applications. ACML is ideal for weather modeling, computational fluid dynamics, financial analysis, oil and gas applications and more.

ACML consists of the following main components:

- A full implementation of Level 1, 2 and 3 Basic Linear Algebra Subroutines (BLAS), with key routines optimized for high performance on AMD Opteron™ processors.
- A full suite of Linear Algebra (LAPACK) routines. As well as taking advantage of the highly-tuned BLAS kernels, a key set of LAPACK routines has been further optimized to achieve considerably higher performance than standard LAPACK implementations.
- A comprehensive suite of Fast Fourier Transforms (FFTs) in both single-, double-, single-complex and double-complex data types.
- Random Number Generators in both single- and double-precision.
Intel® Math Kernel Library (Intel® MKL) is a computing math library of highly optimized, extensively threaded math routines for applications that require maximum performance. Core math functions include:

• BLAS,
• LAPACK,
• ScaLAPACK,
• sparse solvers,
• fast Fourier transforms,
• vector math
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File per process
128 MB per file and a 32 MB Transfer size

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Single Shared File
Write Performance

POSIX
MPIIO
HDF5
POSIX (1 MB Stripe)

File Per Process
Write Performance

1 MB Stripe
32 MB Stripe

Single shared file
32 MB per process and 32 MB Transfer size

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The **Global Arrays** (GA) toolkit provides an efficient and portable "shared-memory" programming interface for distributed-memory computers. Each process in a MIMD parallel program can asynchronously access logical blocks of physically distributed dense multi-dimensional arrays, without need for explicit cooperation by other processes. Unlike other shared-memory environments, the GA model exposes to the programmer the non-uniform memory access (NUMA) characteristics of the high performance computers and acknowledges that access to a remote portion of the shared data is slower than to the local portion. The locality information for the shared data is available, and a direct access to the local portions of shared data is provided.

Global Arrays have been designed to complement rather than substitute for the message-passing programming model. The programmer is free to use both the shared-memory and message-passing paradigms in the same program, and to take advantage of existing message-passing software libraries. Global Arrays are compatible with the Message Passing Interface (MPI).
Unified Parallel C (UPC) is an extension of the C programming language designed for high-performance computing on large-scale parallel machines, including those with a common global address space (SMP and NUMA) and those with distributed memory (e.g. clusters). The programmer is presented with a single shared, partitioned address space, where variables may be directly read and written by any processor, but each variable is physically associated with a single processor. UPC uses a Single Program Multiple Data (SPMD) model of computation in which the amount of parallelism is fixed at program startup time, typically with a single thread of execution per processor.
```c
#include <upc.h>
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    printf("Hello from thread %d of %d\n", MYTHREAD, THREADS);
    return 0;
}

$ module swap PrgEnv-pgi PrgEnv-cray
$ cc -o hello-upc hello.upc

$ qsub -I -lsize=12,walltime=00:10:00
$ cd $SCRATCHDIR
$ aprun -n 3 ~/hello-upc
Hello from thread 2 of 3
Hello from thread 0 of 3
Hello from thread 1 of 3
```
Open Computing Language (OpenCL) is a framework for writing programs that execute across heterogeneous platforms consisting of central processing unit (CPUs), graphics processing unit (GPUs), and other processors. OpenCL includes a language (based on C99) for writing kernels (functions that execute on OpenCL devices), plus application programming interfaces (APIs) that are used to define and then control the platforms. OpenCL provides parallel computing using task-based and data-based parallelism. OpenCL is an open standard maintained by the non-profit technology consortium Khronos Group. It has been adopted by Intel, Advanced Micro Devices, Nvidia, and ARM Holdings.
**Compute Unified Device Architecture** (CUDA) is a parallel computing architecture developed by Nvidia for graphics processing. CUDA is the computing engine in Nvidia graphics processing units (GPUs) that is accessible to software developers through variants of industry standard programming languages. Programmers use 'C for CUDA' (C with Nvidia extensions and certain restrictions), compiled through a PathScale Open64 C compiler, to code algorithms for execution on the GPU.
The **OpenACC Application Program Interface** describes a collection of compiler directives to specify loops and regions of code in standard C, C++ and Fortran to be offloaded from a host CPU to an attached accelerator, providing portability across operating systems, host CPUs and accelerators. The directives and programming model defined in this document allow programmers to create high-level host+accelerator programs without the need to explicitly initialize the accelerator, manage data or program transfers between the host and accelerator, or initiate accelerator startup and shutdown.
Chapel is a new parallel programming language developed by Cray. It is being developed as part of the Cray Cascade project, a participant in DARPA's High Productivity Computing Systems (HPCS) program, which had the goal of increasing supercomputer productivity by the year 2010.
IBM Research is developing the open-source X10 programming language to provide a programming model that can address the architectural challenge of multiples cores, hardware accelerators, clusters, and supercomputers in a manner that provides scalable performance in a productive manner. The project leverages over six years of language research funded, in part, by the DARPA/HPCS program.

The X10 programming language is organized around four basic principles of asynchrony, locality, atomicity, and order that are developed on a type-safe, class-based, object-oriented foundation. This foundation is robust enough to support fine-grained concurrency, Cilk-style fork-join programming, GPU programming, SPMD computations, phased computations, active messaging, MPI-style communicators, and cluster programming. X10 implementations are available on Power and x86 clusters, on Linux, AIX, MacOS, Cygwin and Windows.
Fortress is a programming language designed for high-performance computing. It was created by Sun Microsystems with funding from DARPA's High Productivity Computing Systems project.

The name "Fortress" is intended to connote a secure Fortran, i.e., "a language for high-performance computation that provides abstraction and type safety on par with modern programming language principles". Its improvements include implicit parallelism, Unicode support and concrete syntax that is similar to mathematical notation. The language is not designed to be similar to Fortran. Syntactically, it most resembles Scala, Standard ML, and Haskell. Fortress is being designed from the outset to have multiple syntactic stylesheets. Source code can be rendered as ASCII text, in Unicode, or as a prettied image. This will allow for support of mathematical symbols and other symbols in the rendered output for easier reading.

Fortress is also designed to be both highly parallel and have rich functionality contained within libraries, drawing from Java but taken to a higher degree. For example, the 'for' loop is a parallel operation, which will not always iterate in a strictly linear manner depending on the underlying software and hardware. However, the 'for' loop is a library function and can be replaced by another 'for' loop of the programmer's liking rather than being built into the language.
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Aims to be fast, concise, portable, and easy-to-read and support GUI application to an OS kernel. Compiles to ANSI C

Python is a programming language that lets you work more quickly and integrate your systems more effectively. Python runs on Windows, Linux/Unix, Mac OS X, and has been ported to the Java and .NET virtual machines.

NumPy is the fundamental package for scientific computing with Python. It contains among other things:
- a powerful N-dimensional array object
- sophisticated (broadcasting) functions
- tools for integrating C/C++ and Fortran code
- useful linear algebra, Fourier transform, and random number capabilities

Besides its obvious scientific uses, NumPy can also be used as an efficient multi-dimensional container of generic data. Arbitrary data-types can be defined. This allows NumPy to seamlessly and speedily integrate with a wide variety of databases.
The fundamental library needed for scientific computing with Python is called NumPy. This Open Source library contains:
• a powerful N-dimensional array object
• advanced array slicing methods (to select array elements)
• convenient array reshaping methods

and it even contains 3 libraries with numerical routines:
• basic linear algebra functions
• basic Fourier transforms
• sophisticated random number capabilities

SciPy is an Open Source library of scientific tools for Python. It depends on the NumPy library, and it gathers a variety of high level science and engineering modules together as a single package. SciPy provides modules for:
• statistics
• optimization
• numerical integration
• linear algebra
• Fourier transforms
• signal processing
• image processing
• ODE solvers
• special functions

MPI for Python provides bindings of the Message Passing Interface (MPI) standard for the Python programming language, allowing any Python program to exploit multiple processors.

This package is constructed on top of the MPI-1/2 specifications and provides an object oriented interface which closely follows MPI-2 C++ bindings. It supports point-to-point (sends, receives) and collective (broadcasts, scatters, gathers) communications of any picklable Python object, as well as optimized communications of Python object exposing the single-segment buffer interface (NumPy arrays, builtin bytes/string/array objects).
Calculating $\pi$ with Python, Mpi4pi and Numpy

**Master’s code**

```python
#!/usr/bin/env python
#
# MASTER’S CODE
#
from mpi4py import MPI
import numpy
import sys

comm = MPI.COMM_SELF.Spawn(sys.executable,
                          args=['cpi.py'],
                          maxprocs=5)

N = numpy.array(100, 'i')
comm.Bcast([N, MPI.INT], root=MPI.ROOT)
PI = numpy.array(0.0, 'd')
comm.Reduce(None, [PI, MPI.DOUBLE], op=MPI.SUM, root=MPI.ROOT)
print(PI)
comm.Disconnect()
```

**Client’s code**

```python
#!/usr/bin/env python
#
# CLIENT’S CODE: ‘cpi.py’
#
from mpi4py import MPI
import numpy

comm = MPI.Comm.Get_parent()
size = comm.Get_size()
rank = comm.Get_rank()

N = numpy.array(0, dtype='i')
comm.Bcast([N, MPI.INT], root=0)
h = 1.0 / N; s = 0.0
for i in range(rank, N, size):
x = h * (i + 0.5)
s += 4.0 / (1.0 + x**2)
PI = numpy.array(s * h, dtype='d')
comm.Reduce([PI, MPI.DOUBLE], None, op=MPI.SUM, root=0)
comm.Disconnect()
```
from scipy import optimize, special
from numpy import *
from pylab import *

x = arange(0,10,0.01)

for k in arange(0.5,5.5):
    y = special.jv(k,x)
    plot(x,y)
    f = lambda x: -special.jv(k,x)
    x_max = optimize.fminbound(f,0,6)
    plot([x_max], [special.jv(k,x_max)],'ro')

title('Different Bessel functions and their local maxima')
show()
Anything else?

- Debuggers
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- Exascale Computing?
Exascale computing refers to computing capabilities beyond the currently existing petascale. If achieved, it would represent a thousandfold increase over that scale.

The United States has put aside $126 million for exascale computing beginning in 2012. Three projects aiming at developing technologies and software for Exascale Computing have been started in 2011 within the European Union. The CRESTA project (Collaborative Research into Exascale Systemware, Tools and Applications), the DEEP project (Dynamical ExaScale Entry Platform), and the project Mont-Blanc.
Future challenges?

- **Synchronization-reducing algorithms**
  - Break Fork-Join model

- **Communication-reducing algorithms**
  - Use methods which have lower bound on communication

- **Mixed precision methods**
  - 2x speed of ops and 2x speed for data movement

- **Autotuning**
  - Today’s machines are too complicated, build “smarts” into software to adapt to the hardware

- **Fault resilient algorithms**
  - Implement algorithms that can recover from failures/bit flips

- **Reproducibility of results**
  - Today we can’t guarantee this. We understand the issues, but some of our “colleagues” have a hard time with this.
“Future” Technologies?

- Most likely a hybrid system?
  - Multicore + Accelerators

- Today accelerators are attached via a card with PCI-e
  - Next generation more integrated

- Today we have Intel’s Knight Ferry
  - Tomorrow Knights corner, 48-80 x86 cores?

- AMD’s Fusion
  - Multicore with embedded ATI graphics

- ARM technologies
  - NVIDIA’s Denver project
Questions?
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