

OpenMP 6.0 Part 1: New Host-side Features

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Who are Michael and Christian?



Michael and Christian



Michael ...

- Principal Member of Technical Staff
- →Works in HPC since 2003
- →Works on the Fortran OpenMP offload compiler for AMD Instinct[™] Accelerators
- →Is a member of the OpenMP language committee since 2009
- →Chief Executive Officer of the OpenMP ARB since April 2016

Christian ...

- ... is a senior scientist at RWTH Aachen University and leads the HPC group
- →... does research on Parallel Programming and Performance
- →... is a member of the OpenMP language committee since 2008 and co-chair of the Affinity subcom.
- →is co-author of the book "Using OpenMP - The Next Step", published by MIT Press





OpenMP's development process



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OpenMP Architecture Review Board

The mission of the OpenMP ARB (Architecture Review Board) is to standardize directive-based multi-language high-level parallelism that is performant, productive and portable.

The OpenMP API moves common approaches into an industry standard to simplify a developer's life.





OpenMP Roadmap



Roadmap for the releases of the OpenMP API

- \rightarrow 5-year cadence for major releases, one minor release in between
- →OpenMP 5.2 was an additional release before OpenMP version 6.0
- \rightarrow (At least) one Technical Report (TR) with feature previews in every year





* Numbers assigned to TRs may change if additional TRs are released.

Continuum of Control



Focus on implementation

Expose control over

execution



- Express "what"
- Ignore implementation
- Rely on quality of implementation ٠

OpenMP strives to

 \rightarrow Support a useful subset of this spectrum

 \rightarrow Provide a structured path from descriptive to prescriptive where needed





Development Process of the Specification

Modifications of the OpenMP specification follow a (strict) process:



Release process for specifications:





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OpenMP 6.0 base language improvements





New Supported OpenMP Base Languages

- Complete support for C23
- Complete support for C++23
- Complete support for Fortran 2018
- Complete support for Fortran 2023
- There may be restrictions on using base language features, e.g.,
 Fortran: cannot use data-sharing clauses with Co-Arrays



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Fortran BLOCK Constructs

Fortran BLOCK constructs provide additional scopes:

- Removes the need for OpenMP end directives
- →Helps privatize variables as part of their scope



C/C++ Attribute Syntax



C++ introduced attributes with C++11; C introduced it with C23:

```
template<typename T, typename F>
void process(std::vector<T> &input, std::vector<T> &output, F &&func) {
    [[omp::directive(parallel for)]]
    for (auto &&element : input) {
        output.push_back(func(element));
    }
}
```

```
template<typename T, typename F>
void process(std::vector<T> &input, std::vector<T> &output, F &&func) {
    [[omp::sequence(directive(parallel),directive(for))]]
    for (auto &&element : input) {
        output.push_back(func(element));
    }
}
```





Tasking updates

Parts of the examples on these slides have been created by Stephen Olivier (SNL), chair of the Tasking subcommittee.







Free-agent threads / 1

- OpenMP 6.0 defines OpenMP threads as members of logical thread pool
 - → Pool size can be specified by OMP_THREAD_LIMIT environment variable

- OpenMP 6.0 also adds the concept of free-agent threads: "free-agent threads" outside a team can execute tasks
 - New threadset clause indicates which threads may execute the task:
 - omp_team: only threads in the team (default)
 - omp_pool: threads in the team AND unassigned threads in the contention group



Free-agent threads / 2



Example:

```
// NO parallel masked NEEDED HERE!
while (elem != NULL) {
    #pragma omp task threadset(omp_pool)
        compute(elem);
    elem = elem->next;
```



Balance of structured parallelism and free-agent threads governed by ICVs that can be controlled through **OMP_THREADS_RESERVE**:

setenv OMP_THREADS_RESERVE "structured(4),free_agent(2)"

In example above, four threads reserved for structured parallelism (assignment to teams) and two threads to act as free-agents



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Taskgraph



taskgraph construct optimizes repeated tasks

→Implementation creates a record of the sequence of tasks and dependences

```
while (residual > TOLERANCE) {
    #pragma omp taskgraph graph_id(0)
    {
        for (j = 0; j < A_SIZE; ++j) {
            #pragma omp task depend (out: A[j])
                preprocess(A[j]);
                #pragma omp task depend (in: A[j])
                compute(A[j]);
        }
    }
    residual = calc_residual(A);
}</pre>
```



Tasks replayable by default, use replayable (false) to disallow replay The graph_reset clause can be used to discard the existing record





Task iteration

Support the depend and affinity clause in combination with the taskloop construct

→Specify at the start of the loop body with the task_iteration directive

```
// Example: Dependencies between tasks within a taskloop as well as between taskloop and standalone task
#pragma omp taskloop nogroup
for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
    #pragma omp task_iteration depend(inout: A[i]) depend(in: A[i-1])
    A[i] += A[i] * A[i-1];
}
// TL2 taskloop + grainsize
#pragma omp taskloop grainsize(strict: 4) nogroup
for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
    #pragma omp task_iteration depend(inout: A[i]) depend(in: A[i-4]) if ((i % 4) == 0 || i == n-1)
    A[i] += A[i] * A[i-1];
}
// T3 other task
#pragma omp task depend(in: A[n-1])
printf("A[n-1] = %f\n", A[n-1]);</pre>
```





Transparent tasks

Tasks can have dependencies on each other using the depend clause

Traditionally, these were limited to tasks siblings (same task or taskgroup)

→ Transparent tasks remove this limitation

```
#pragma omp task depend(out: x)
{ ... } // T1
#pragma omp task depend(out: y) transparent
{ // T2
#pragma omp task depend(inout: x)
        { ... } // T3 - must wait on T1
}
#pragma omp task depend(in: x, y)
        { ... } // T4 - must wait on T2, T3
```



Use case: composable software components

Task dependencies can now be maintained with libraries

→ Deadlock freedom is still guaranteed





Loop transformations





Loop Unrolling

Loop unrolling is a standard tuning practice to reduce loop overhead and increase potential for pipeline.

```
subroutine loop()
    do i = 1, 4
        call body(i)
    end do
end subroutine loop
subroutine loop()
    call body (i + 0)
    call body (i + 1)
    call body (i + 2)
    call body (i + 3)
end subroutine loop
```

```
subroutine loop()
  !$omp unroll full
  do i = 1, 4
      call body(i)
  end do
end subroutine loop
```

- full" completely unrolls the loop
 - → Needs a compile-time constant upper bound.
 - → Loop is no longer present after unrolling took place.





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        call body (i + 2)
        call body (i + 3)
    end do
end subroutine loop
```

```
subroutine loop()
   !$omp unroll partial(4)
   do i = 1, n
        call body(i)
   end do
end subroutine loop
```

- "partial(f)" unrolls the loop with
 unroll factor f
 - \rightarrow Upper bound can now be a runtime value
 - Compiler will introduce remainder loops as necessary





Tiling

Tiling is a useful to optimize a loop nest for the cache hierarchy and exploiting temporal/spatial locality

```
subroutine loop()
  !$omp tile sizes(2,2)
  do i = 1, n
      do j = 1, m
          call body(j, i)
          end do
    end do
end subroutine loop
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Tiling and Chunking



One can think of tiling as "multi-dimensional" chunking:



```
!$omp tile sizes(3,3)
do i = 1, n
    do j = 1, m
        call body(j, i)
    end do
end do
```



Other Loop Transformations /1

Loop Interchange

Loop Reversal

```
!$omp reverse
do i = 1, n
    call body(i)
end do

do i = 1, n
call body(n - (i - 1))
end do
```





Other Loop Transformations /2

Loop Fusion

```
!$omp fuse
do i = 1, n
      call body1(i)
end do
do i = 1, n
      call body2(i)
end do
!$omp end fuse
```

do i = 1, n call body1(i) call body2(i) end do

Loop Reversal





Loop Index Splitting

Other Loop Transformations /3

```
!$omp split counts(k, omp_fill)
do i = 1, n
      call body(i)
end do
```



All these transformations can be useful:

- → Fusion: reduce loop overhead and get more work per loop iteration
- →Reversal: create forward memory references
- →Index splitting: peel off loop iterations, e.g., for better SIMD/memory alignment



Composing Loop Transformations

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Loop transformations can be composed, e.g., tiling and unrolling:

```
do ii = 1, n, 2
    do jj = 1, m, 2
        i = ii; j = jj
        call body(j + 0, i + 0)
        call body(j + 1, i + 0)
        call body(j + 0, i + 1)
        call body(j + 1, i + 1)
        end do
end do
```





Some other features

Parts of the examples on these slides have been created by Bronis de Supinski (LLNL), chair of the Language committee.





User-defined inductions / 1



Induction allows parallelization despite dependences

- Iterative Computation: A result is calculated through repeated application of an operation.
- Parallel Accumulation: These operations can be performed (at least partially) in parallel, with partial results being combined to form the final result.
- Dependency or Ordering (sometimes): Unlike reductions where the order of operations is often irrelevant (e.g., summation), "inductive" processes sometimes might have some inherent order or dependency between the steps.

```
xi = x0;
result = 0.0;
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+: result) induction(step(x), *: xi)
for (I = 0; I < N; i++) {
  result += c[i] * xi;
  xi *= x;
```



User-defined inductions / 2



User-defined inductions enable complex computations w/ dependences

Can use collector clause to specify closed form function to enable starting at

arbitrary iterations: x i = x 0 + (s * i) for step s

→ Here: amount added to struct's member per iteration is not constant, but multiplied by I. index

→ User-defined inductions can be used with SIMD loops as well









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