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Introduction to OpenMP Offload: Part I

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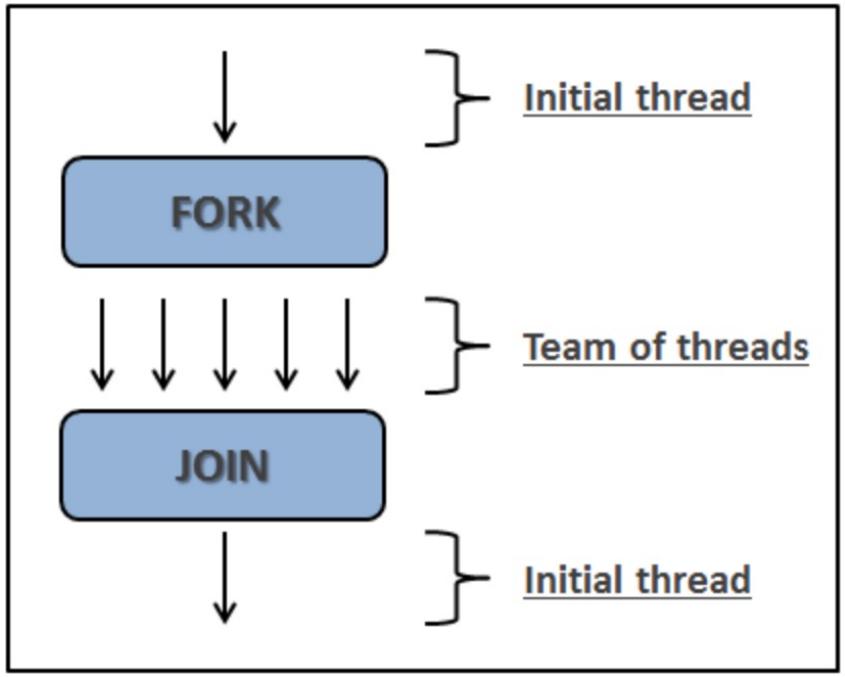
OpenMP Programming Model

It is an Application Program Interface (API) to allow programmers to develop threaded parallel codes on shared memory computational units.

- Directives are understood by OpenMP aware compilers (others are free to ignore)
- Generates parallel threaded code
  - Original thread becomes thread “0”
  - Share resources of the original thread (or rank)
  - Data-sharing attributes of variables can be specified based on usage patterns



Reference: Somewhere from the web

OpenMP Worksharing

#pragma omp parallel → All threads will execute the region

#pragma omp parallel for → All threads will execute a part of the iterations

- Creates a team of OpenMP threads that execute the structured-block that follows
- Number of threads property is generally specified by OMP_NUM_THREADS env variable or num_threads clause (num_threads has precedence)

Recap: OpenMP Worksharing

Serial

```
for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i)
{
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
}
```

- 1 thread/process will execute each iteration sequentially
- Total time = time_for_single_iteration * N

Parallel

```
#pragma omp parallel
for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i)
{
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
}
```

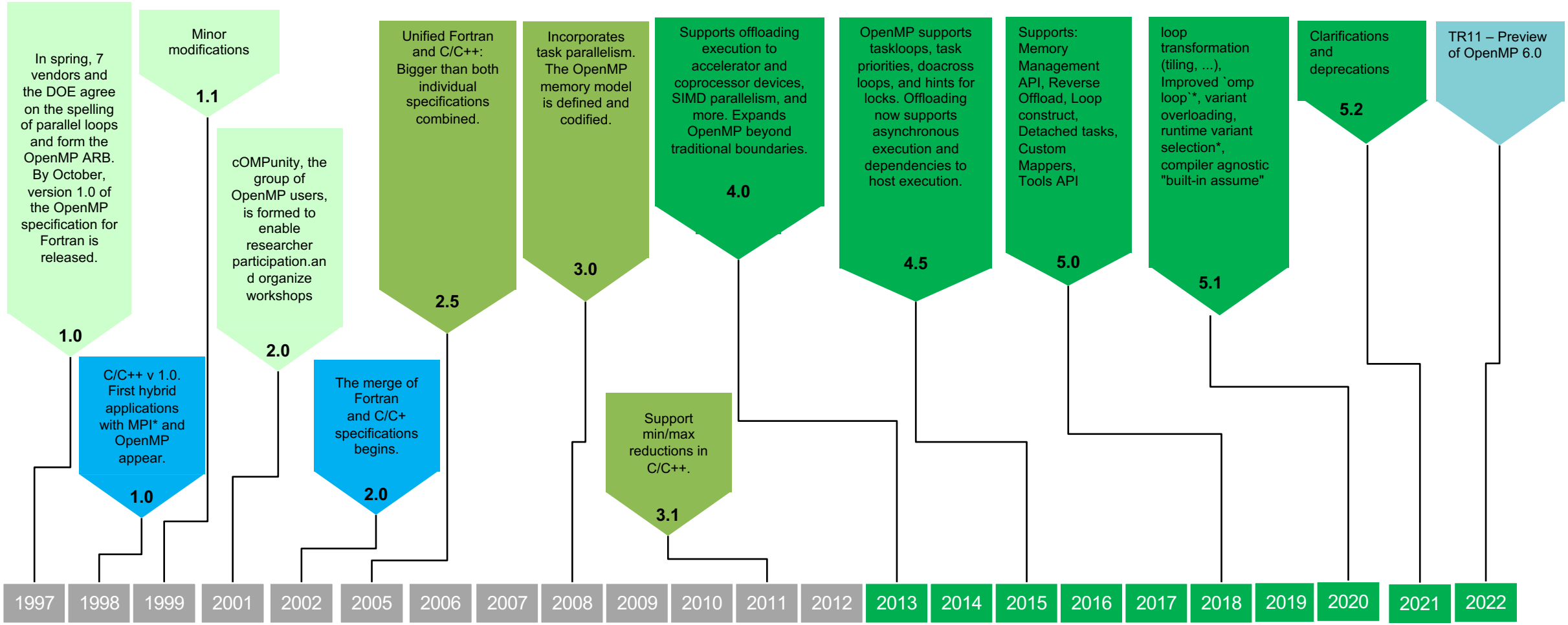
- Say, OMP_NUM_THREADS = 4
- 4 threads will execute each iteration sequentially (overwriting values of C)
- Total time = time_for_single_iteration * N

Parallel Worksharing

```
#pragma omp parallel for
for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i)
{
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
}
```

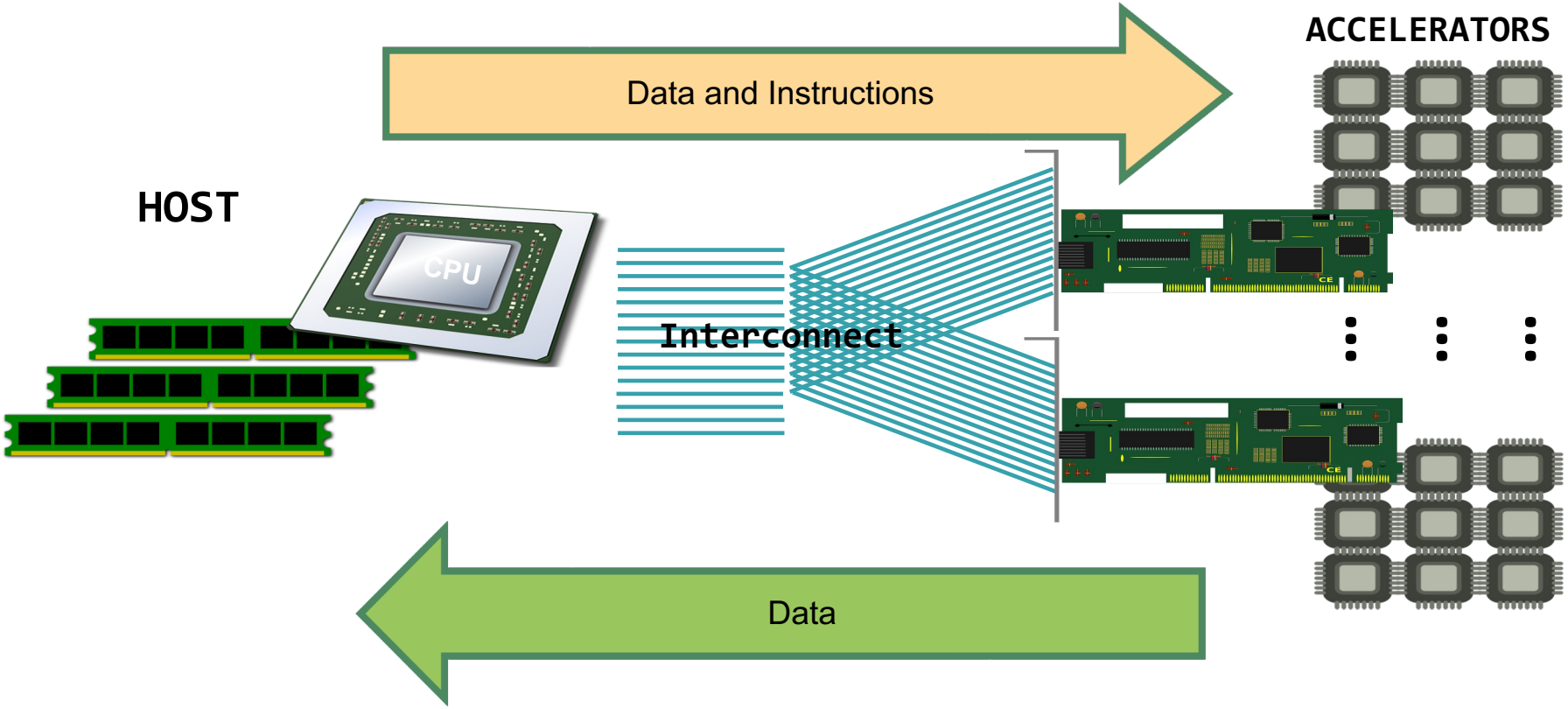
- Say, OMP_NUM_THREADS = 4
- 4 threads will distribute iteration space (roughly N/4 per thread)
- Total time = time_for_single_iteration * N/4

Evolution of OpenMP: 1997 – 2022



Introduction: OpenMP Offload

- OpenMP offload constructs are a set of directives for C, C++, and Fortran that were introduced in OpenMP 4.0 and further enhanced in later versions. Accelerators



OpenMP Offload Terminology

- **Host device**
  - The device on which the OpenMP program begins execution.
- **Target device**
  - A device with respect to which the current device performs an operation, as specified by a device construct or an OpenMP device memory routine.
- **Parent device**
  - For a given target region, the device on which the corresponding target construct was encountered.
    - A host device may not always be the parent.

OpenMP Offload: Steps

- **Identification** of compute kernels
  - CPU initiates kernel for execution on the device
- Expressing **parallelism** within the kernel
- Manage **data transfer** between CPU and Device
  - relevant data needs to be moved from host to device memory
  - kernel executes using device memory
  - relevant data needs to be moved from device to main memory

Step 1: Identification of Kernels to Offload

- Look for compute intensive code and that can benefit from parallel execution
  - Use performance analysis tools to find bottlenecks/computationally intensive kernels
- Track independent work units with well defined data accesses
- Keep an eye on platform specs
  - GPU memory is a precious resource
- Confirm via Profiling
  - Tools like rocprof and HPCToolkit

- More information regarding rocprof can be found at: https://docs.olcf.ornl.gov/systems/frontier_user_guide.html#optimization-and-profiling
- More information on HPCToolkit can be found at: http://hpctoolkit.org

How to Offload using OpenMP ?

C/C++	Fortran	Description
#pragma omp target *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line structured-block*	**!$omp target** *[clause[[,] clause] ...] loosely/tightly-structured-block* **!$omp end target**	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator.

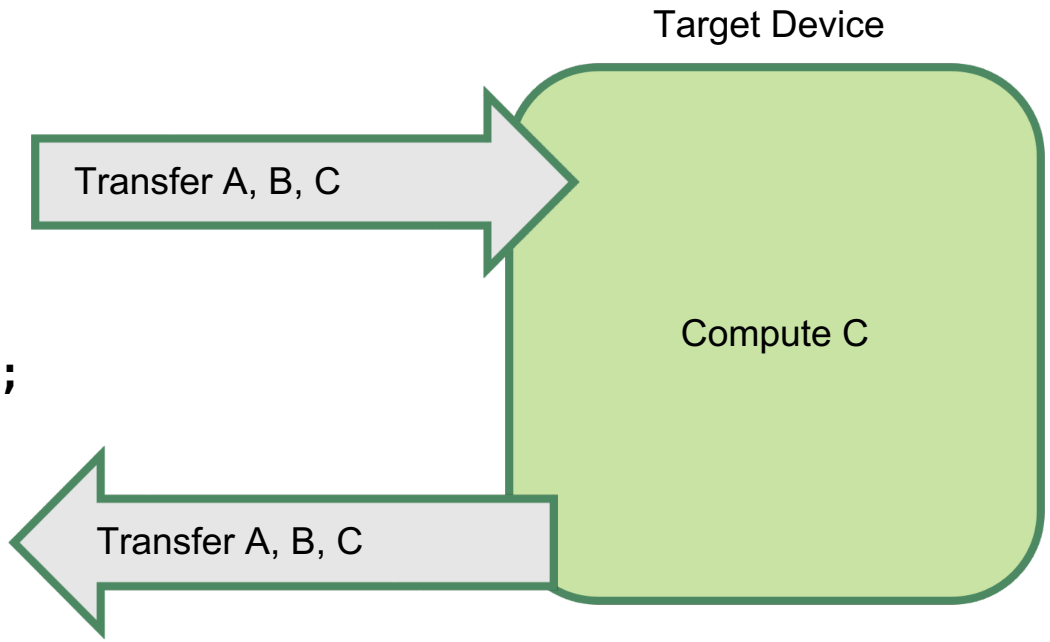
- A device data environment is created for the structured block
- The code region is mapped to the device and executed.

OpenMP Offload: Example using omp target

/*C code to offload Matrix Addition Code to Device*/

```
…
int A[N][N], B[N][N], C[N][N];
/*
  initialize arrays
*/
#pragma omp target
{
  for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
    for (int j = 0; j < N; ++j) {
      C[i][j] = A[i][j] + B[i][j];
    }
  }
} // end target
```

Kernel



The target construct is a task generating construct

Clauses on `target` directive

- Clauses allowed on the target directive:
  - device([device-modifier :] integer-expression)
  - if([target :] scalar-expression)
  - thread_limit(integer-expression)
  - private(list)
  - firstprivate(list)
  - in_reduction(reduction-identifier : list)
  - map([[map-type-modifier[,] [map-type-modifier[,] ...]] map-type:] locator-list)
  - is_device_ptr(list)
  - has_device_addr(list)
  - defaultmap(implicit-behavior[:variable-category])
  - nowait
  - depend([depend-modifier,] dependence-type : locator-list)
  - allocate([allocator :] list)
  - uses_allocators(allocator[(allocator-traits-array)] [,allocator[(allocator-traits-array)] ...])

`device` clause on `target` directive

- Use
  - Specify which device should execute the kernel
    - takes device_num or ancestor modifiers

/*C code depicting use of device clause */

```
#pragma omp target device(device_num:5) //same as device(5)
  {
    for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
      for (int j = 0; j < N; ++j) {
        C[i][j] = A[i][j] + B[i][j];
      }
    }
  } // end target
```

Must be a valid device number

`device` clause to target multiple devices

```
/*C code to offload Matrix Addition Code to Multiple Devices*/
```

```
  …
int num_dev = omp_get_num_devices();
/*
Calculate start array index for each device and elements per device
*/

for (int dev = 0; dev < num_dev; ++dev)
{
 #pragma omp target map(tofrom: C[lb:len:1]) device(dev)
 {
   for (int i = lb; i < lb+len; ++i) {
     C[i] += A[i] + B[i] ;
    }
  } // end of omp target
}//end-for
```

device clause on target directive (cont.)

- Using the ancestor modifier

/*C code depicting use of device clause with ancestor modifier */

```
#pragma omp requires reverse_offload //at filescope
…
…

#pragma omp target
{

   #pragma omp target device(ancestor: 1)

    /*some useful work on parent device*/

   /* Continue with device execution*/

}//end target-1
…
```

`if` clause on `target` directive

- Use
  - Conditional execution on target device

/*C code demonstrating conditional offloading */

```
#pragma omp target if (N > 1024)

{
    for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
      for (int j = 0; j < N; ++j) {

        C[i][j] = A[i][j] + B[i][j];

      }
    }

} // end target
```

`nowait` clause on `target` directive

- Use
  - target task may be deferred

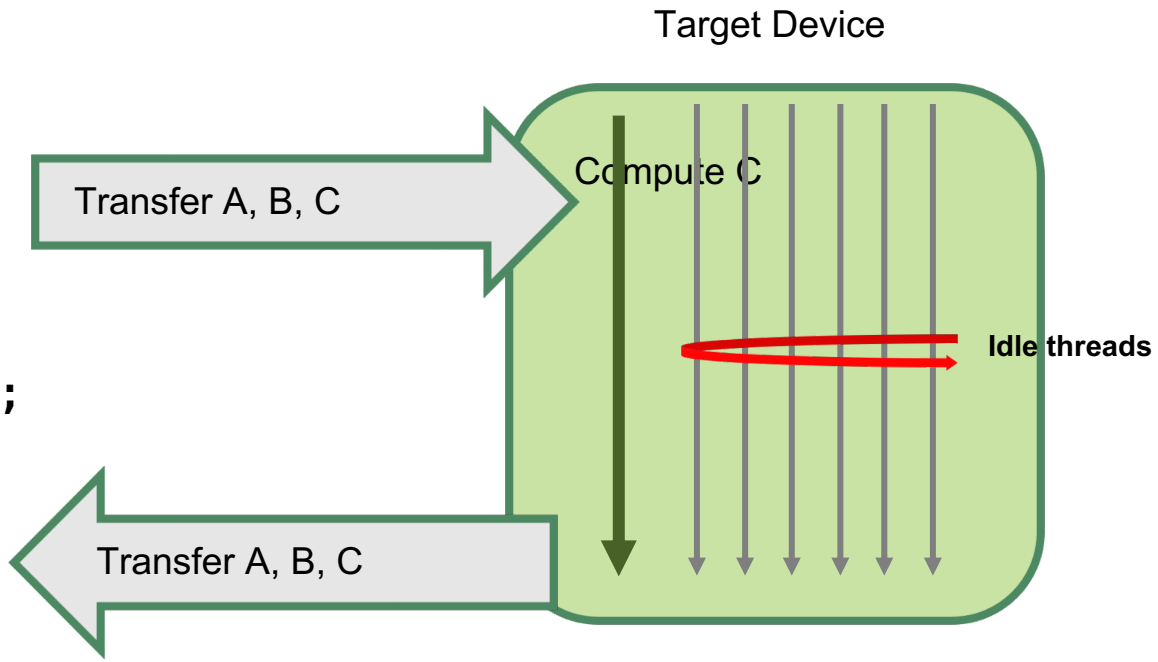
/*C code with nowait on target */
/*Use-case: Free host thread*/

```
…
#pragma omp parallel
{
  #pragma omp masked
  #pragma omp target nowait
    {
     /*independent work unit*/
    } // end target
  #pragma omp for
  for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
    C[i] = A[i] + B [i]
  }
  } // end parallel
```

Step 2: Expressing Parallelism

/*C code to offload Matrix Addition Code to Device*/

```
  …
  int A[N][N], B[N][N], C[N][N];
  /*
    initialize arrays
  */
#pragma omp target
  {
    for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
      for (int j = 0; j < N; ++j) {
        C[i][j] = A[i][j] + B[i][j];
      }
    }
  } // end target
```



Expressing Parallelism: using combined constructs

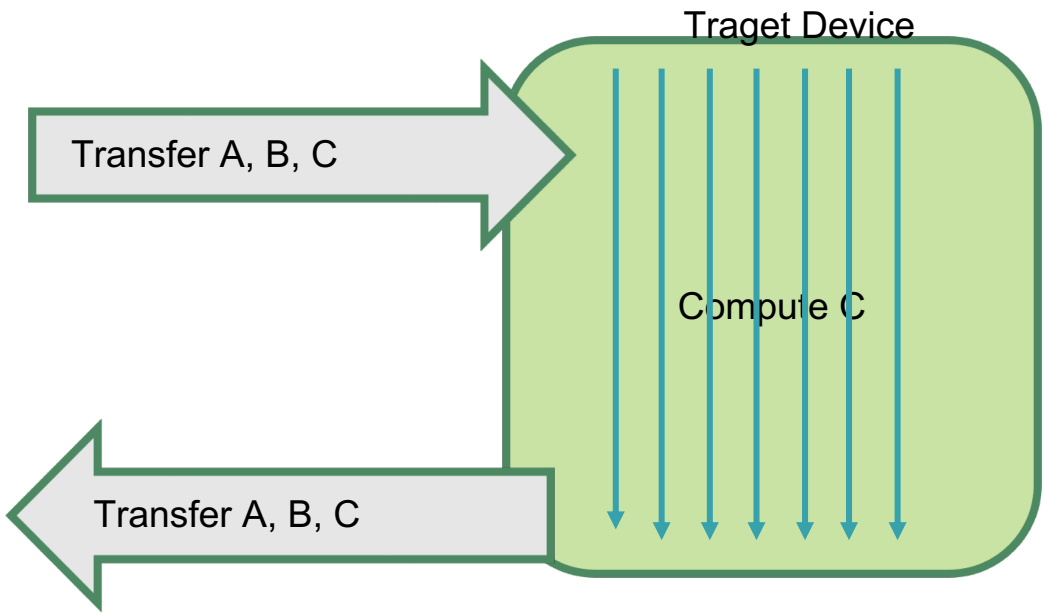
- Combined construct
  - A construct that is a shortcut for specifying one construct immediately nested inside another construct. A combined construct is semantically identical to that of explicitly specifying the first construct containing one instance of the second construct and no other statements.

- Example:
  - `omp parallel{omp for } == omp parallel for`

target + parallel construct

/*C code using target parallel*/

```
  …
  int A[N], B[N], C[N];
  /*
    initialize arrays
  */
#pragma omp target parallel for
for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
 }
```



OpenMP `teams`

- When a `teams` construct is encountered, a league of teams is created.
- Each team is an initial team, and the initial thread “0” in each team executes the teams region.
  - Initial team numbers are consecutive whole numbers (zero to one less than the number of initial teams)
- The number of teams created is determined by the `num_teams` clause. Once the teams are created, the
  - these remain constant for the duration of the teams region.
- The `teams` region must be strictly nested within:
  - the implicit parallel region that surrounds the whole OpenMP program or
  - a target region.

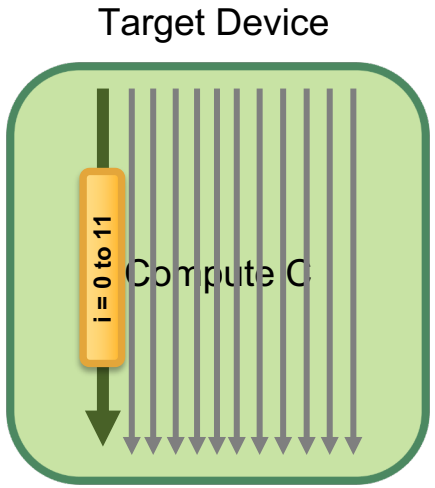
`distribute` construct

- It is a loop associated construct that binds to the set of initial threads executing an enclosing teams region
  - distribute construct must be strictly nested inside a teams region
- The iterations are distributed across the initial threads of all initial teams that execute the teams region to which the distribute region binds
- Clauses permitted on distribute construct are allocate, collapse, dist_schedule, firstprivate, lastprivate, order, and private

Expressing Parallelism: Increasing device utilization

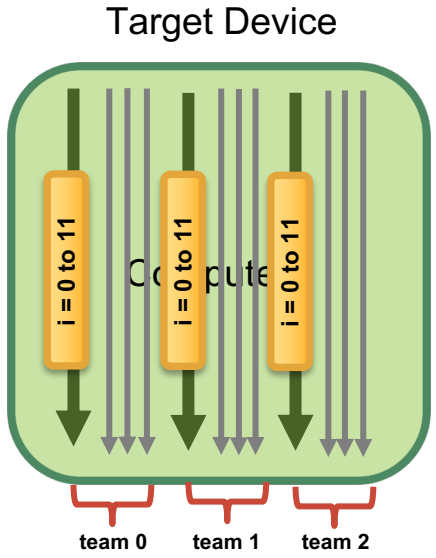
target

```
#pragma omp target
for (int i = 0; i < 12; ++i)
{
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
}
```



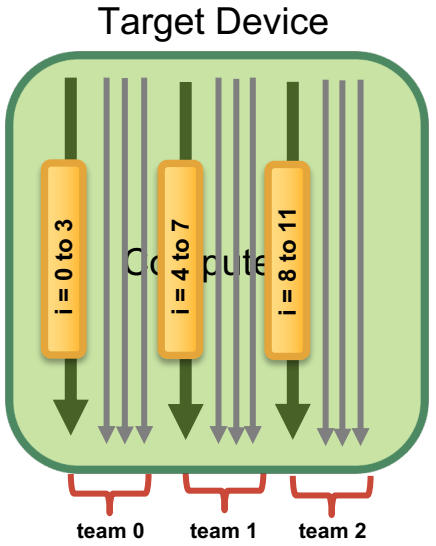
target teams

```
#pragma omp target teams
num_teams(3)
for (int i = 0; i < 12; ++i)
{
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
}
```



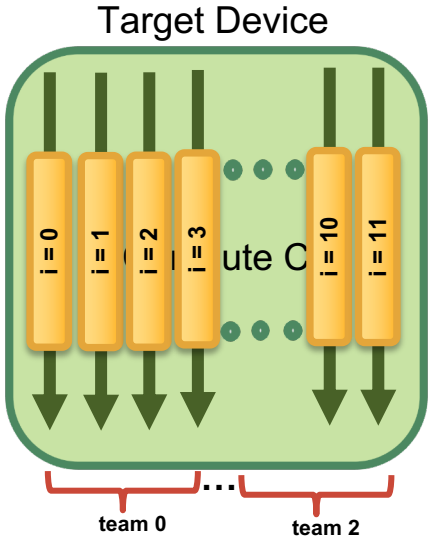
target teams distribute

```
#pragma omp target teams
distribute num_teams(3)
for (int i = 0; i < 12; ++i)
{
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
}
```



target teams distribute parallel

```
#pragma omp target teams
distribute parallel
for[simd] num_teams(3)
for (int i = 0; i < 12; ++i)
{
    C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
}
```



`loop` construct

- Properties:
  - logical iterations of the associated loops may execute concurrently
  - bind clause determines the binding region
    - orphaned loop needs explicit binding
  - can be nested inside another `loop` construct
  - all iterations are guaranteed to complete at the end of `loop`
    - except when bound to `teams` construct

Offloading using target teams + loop

/*C code with loop enclosed by teams region */

```
…
#pragma omp target teams
{
  #pragma omp loop //implicit bind(team)
  for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
    C[i] = A[i] + B [i]
  }
} // end target teams
```

/*C code with orphaned loop */

```
…
void fun1(){
#pragma omp loop bind(teams)
for (int i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
    C[i] = A[i] + B [i]
}
#pragma omp target teams
{
  fun1();

} // end target teams
```

Summary: Device Execution Directives

C/C++	Fortran	Description
#pragma omp target *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *structured-block*	**!$omp target** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loosely/tightly-structured-block* **!$omp end target**	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator.
#pragma omp target teams *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *structured-block*	**!$omp target teams** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loosely/tightly-structured-block* **!$omp end target teams**	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator. The **teams** construct creates a league of teams. The **initial** thread of each team executes the code region.
#pragma omp target teams distribute *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target teams distribute** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loop-nest* *[***!$omp end target teams distribute***]*	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator. A **league** of thread teams is created, and loop iterations are **distributed** and executed by the initial teams.
#pragma omp target teams distribute parallel for *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target teams distribute parallel do** [clause[[,] clause] ...] loop-nest *[***!$omp end target teams distribute parallel do***]*	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator. A **league** of thread teams are created, and loop iterations are **distributed** and **executed in parallel** by all threads of the teams.

Summary: Device Execution Directives

C/C++	Fortran	Description
#pragma omp target parallel *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* new-line structured-block	**!$omp target parallel** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loosely-structured-block* **!$omp end target parallel**	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator. The **parallel** construct creates a team of OpenMP threads that execute the region.
#pragma omp target parallel for *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target parallel do** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loop-nest* [**!$omp end target parallel do**]	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator. The **parallel for/do** combined construct creates a thread team and distributes the inner loop iterations over threads.
#pragma omp target parallel loop *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target parallel loop** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loop-nest* *[***!$omp end target parallel loop***]*	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator. The **parallel** construct creates a team of OpenMP threads that execute the region. The **loop** construct allows concurrent execution of the associated loops.
#pragma omp target teams loop *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target teams loop** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loop-nest* *[***!$omp end target teams loop***]*	The **target** construct offloads the enclosed code to the accelerator. The **teams** construct creates a league of teams. The **loop** construct allows concurrent execution of the associated loops.

Summary: Device Execution Directives (SIMD)

C/C++	Fortran	Description
#pragma omp target simd *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target simd** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loop-nest* *[***!$omp end target simd***]*	Semantics are identical to explicitly specifying a target directive immediately followed by SIMD directive.
#pragma omp target parallel for simd \ *clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target parallel do simd** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loop-nest* *[***!$omp end target parallel do simd***]*	Semantics are identical to explicitly specifying a target directive immediately followed by a parallel worksharing-loop SIMD directive.
#pragma omp target teams distribute simd \ *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target teams distribute simd** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loop-nest* *[***!$omp end target teams distribute simd***]*	Semantics are identical to explicitly specifying a target directive immediately followed by a teams distribute simd directive
**#pragma omp target teams distribute parallel for simd ** *[clause[[,] clause] ...] new-line* *loop-nest*	**!$omp target teams distribute parallel do simd** *[clause[[,] clause] ...]* *loop-nest* *[***!$omp end target teams distribute parallel do simd***]*	Semantics are identical to explicitly specifying a target directive immediately followed by a teams distribute parallel worksharing-loop SIMD directive.

Summary: Useful runtime routines for device environment

C/C++	Fortran	Where to call ?		Description
		Host	Target region	
int omp_get_num_procs(void);	integer function omp_get_num_procs()	✓	✓	returns the number of processors available to the device
void omp_set_default_device(int device_num);	subroutine omp_set_default_device(device_num) integer device_num	✓	✗	sets the value of the default-device-var ICV of the current task to device_num
int omp_get_default_device(void);	integer function omp_get_default_device()	✓	✗	returns the default target device
int omp_get_num_devices(void);	integer function omp_get_num_devices()	✓	✗	returns the number of non-host devices available for offloading code or data.
int omp_get_device_num(void);	integer function omp_get_device_num()	✓	✓	returns the device number of the device on which the calling thread is executing
int omp_is_initial_device(void);	logical function omp_is_initial_device()	✓	✓	returns true if the current task is executing on the host otherwise, it returns false.
int omp_get_initial_device(void);	integer function omp_get_initial_device()	✓	✗	return the device number of the host device

Summary: Useful runtime routines for teams region

C/C++	Fortran	Where to call ?		Description
		Host	Target region	
int omp_get_num_teams(void);	integer function omp_get_num_teams()	✓	✓	returns the number of initial teams in the current teams region.
int omp_get_team_num(void);	integer function omp_get_team_num()	✓	✓	returns the initial team number of the calling thread
void omp_set_num_teams(int num_teams);	subroutine omp_set_num_teams(num_teams) integer num_teams	✓	✓	the number of threads to be used for subsequent teams regions that do not specify a num_teams clause
int omp_get_max_teams(void);	integer function omp_get_max_teams()	✓	✓	returns an upper bound on the number of teams that could be created by a teams construct
void omp_set_teams_thread_limit(int thread_limit);	subroutine omp_set_teams_thread_limit(thread_limit) integer thread_limit	✓	✓	defines the maximum number of OpenMP threads per team

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