



# PROGRAMMING AND OPTIMIZATION FOR INTEL<sup>®</sup> ARCHITECTURE

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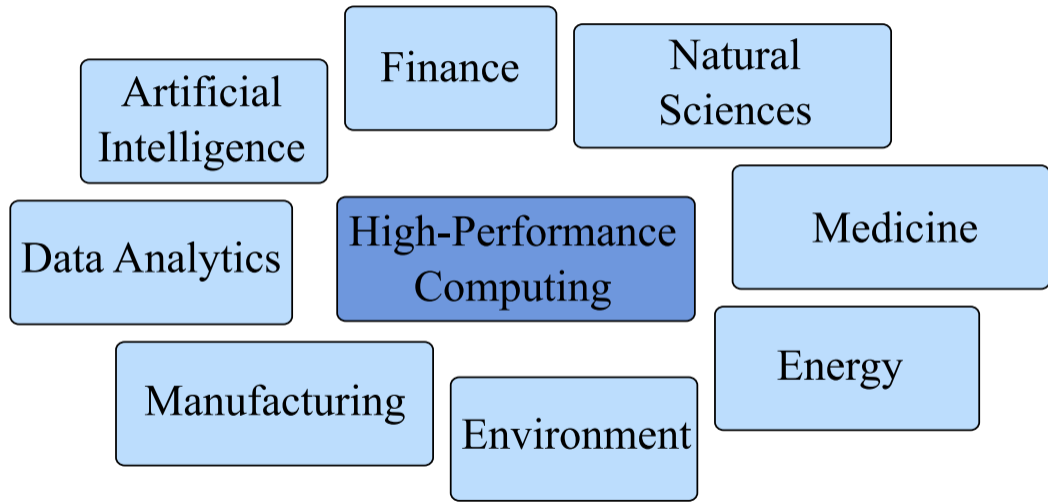
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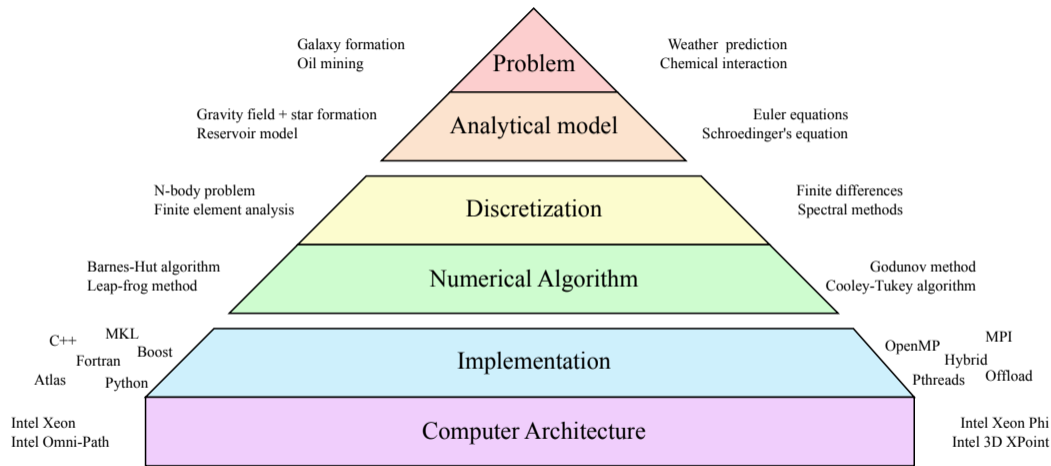


# **§1. SNEAK PEAK**

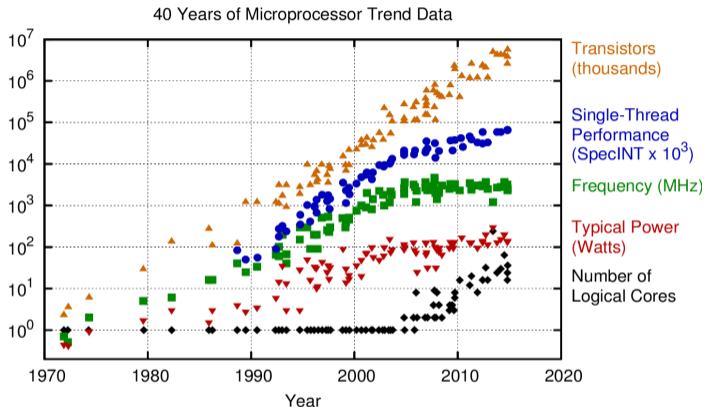


## **AGENDA AND WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU**





# 40 YEARS OF MICROPROCESSOR DATA



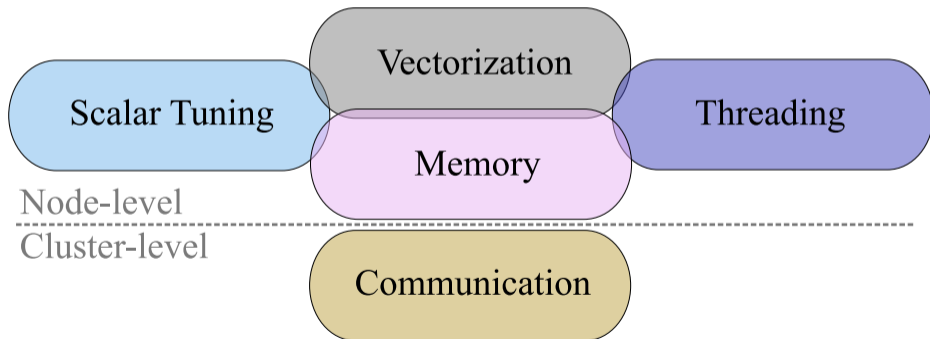
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Source: [karlrupp.net](http://karlrupp.net)



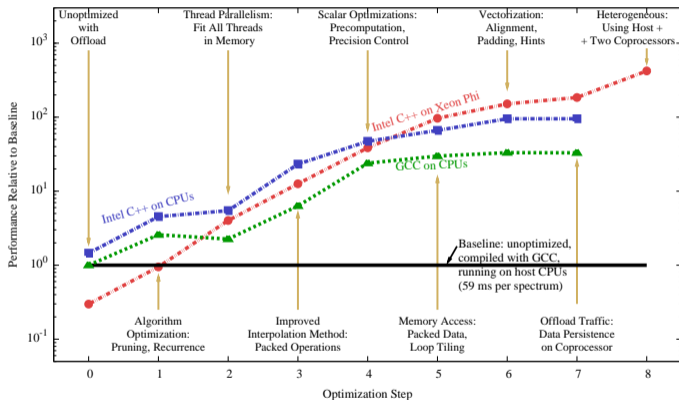
## Code Modernization

Optimizing software to better utilize features available in modern computer architectures.



# PROGRAMMING MODEL CONTINUITY

Common story for many applications:



(see <http://xeonphi.com/papers/heatcode>)



## **§2. PROGRAMMING, OPTIMIZATION BY EXAMPLE**



# **DIRECT N-BODY SIMULATION**

## Gravitational N-body dynamics:

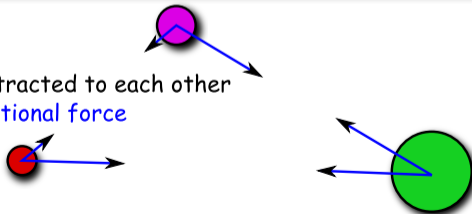
Newton's law of universal gravitation:

$$M_i \vec{R}_i''(t) = G \sum_j \frac{M_i M_j}{|\vec{R}_i - \vec{R}_j|^3} (\vec{R}_j - \vec{R}_i)$$

where:

$$|\vec{R}_i - \vec{R}_j| = \sqrt{(R_{i,x} - R_{j,x})^2 + (R_{i,y} - R_{j,y})^2 + (R_{i,z} - R_{j,z})^2}$$

particles are attracted to each other  
with the gravitational force



# APPLICATION

## 1. Astrophysics:

- planetary systems
- galaxies
- cosmological structures

## 2. Electrostatic systems:

- molecules
- crystals

This work: “toy model” with all-to-all  $O(n^2)$  algorithm. Practical N-body simulations may use tree algorithms with  $O(n \log n)$  complexity.



Source: [APOD](#), credit: Debra Meloy Elmegreen (Vassar College) et al., & the Hubble Heritage Team (AURA/ STScI/ NASA)

# ALL-TO-ALL APPROACH ( $O(n^2)$ COMPLEXITY SCALING)

Each particle is stored as a structure:

```
1 struct ParticleType {  
2     float x, y, z;  
3     float vx, vy, vz;  
4 };
```

main() allocates an array of ParticleType:

```
1 ParticleType* particle = new ParticleType[nParticles];
```

Particle propagation step is timed:

```
1 const double tStart = omp_get_wtime(); // Start timing  
2 MoveParticles(nParticles, particle, dt);  
3 const double tEnd = omp_get_wtime(); // End timing
```

# PARTICLE UPDATE ENGINE

```
1 void MoveParticles(int nParticles, ParticleType* particle, float dt) {
2     for (int i = 0; i < nParticles; i++) { // Particles that experience force
3         float Fx = 0, Fy = 0, Fz = 0; // Gravity force on particle i
4         for (int j = 0; j < nParticles; j++) { // Particles that exert force
5             // Newton's law of universal gravity
6             const float dx = particle[j].x - particle[i].x;
7             const float dy = particle[j].y - particle[i].y;
8             const float dz = particle[j].z - particle[i].z;
9             const float drSquared = dx*dx + dy*dy + dz*dz + 1e-20;
10            const float drPower32 = pow(drSquared, 3.0/2.0);
11            // Calculate the net force
12            Fx += dx/drPower32; Fy += dy/drPower32; Fz += dz/drPower32;
13        }
14        // Accelerate particles in response to the gravitational force
15        particle[i].vx+=dt*Fx; particle[i].vy+=dt*Fy; particle[i].vz+=dt*Fz;
16    }
```





# **INTEL ARCHITECTURE**

Highly parallel,  
for general-purpose  
computing



Multi-Core Architecture



Highly parallel,  
specialized for  
high-performance  
computing

Intel Many Integrated Core (MIC) Architecture



- C/C++/Fortran
- Linux/Windows
- ≤3 TiB DDR4
- ≤44 cores (2-way)
- ≈3 GHz
- 2 HT/core
- AVX2/AVX-512

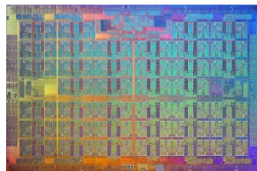
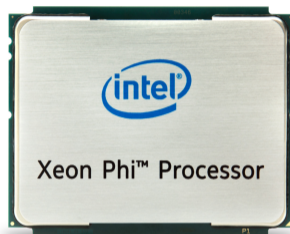


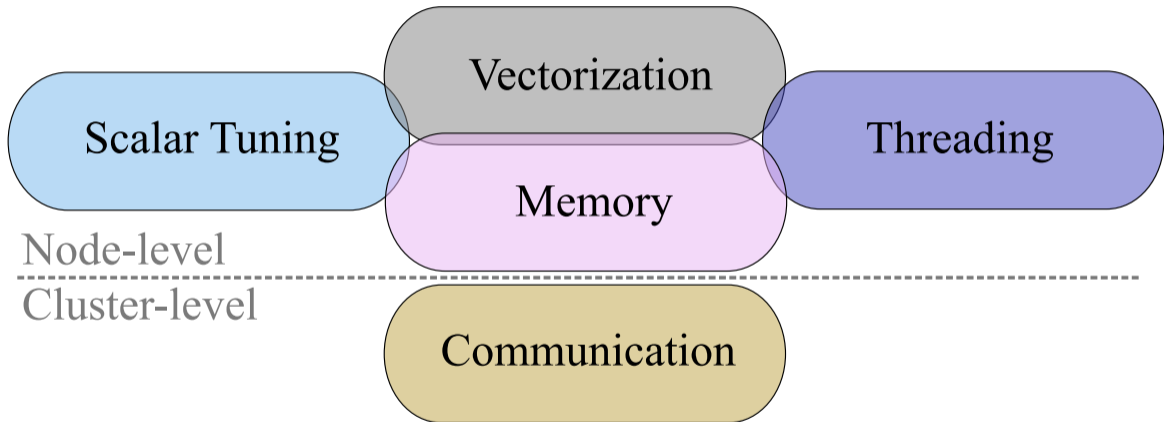
- C/C++/Fortran
- Linux
- MCDRAM+DDR4
- 64-72 cores
- 1.3-1.5 GHz
- 4 HT/core
- AVX-512

# INTEL XEON PHI PROCESSORS (2ND GEN)

- ▶ Specialized for floating-point computing
- ▶ Highly-parallel (72 cores\*)
- ▶ Balanced for compute
- ▶ Less forgiving than Xeon
- ▶ Theor.  $\sim 3.0$  TFLOP/s in DP\*
- ▶ Meas.  $\sim 490$  GB/s bandwidth\*

\* Intel Xeon Phi processor, Knights Landing architecture (2016), top-of-the-line (e.g., 7290P)



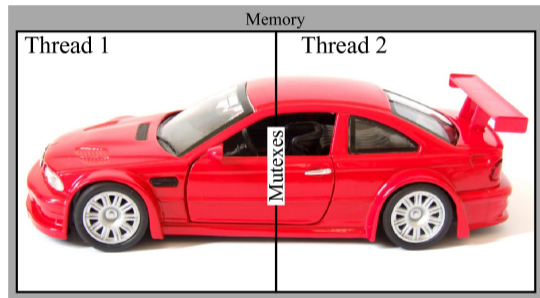
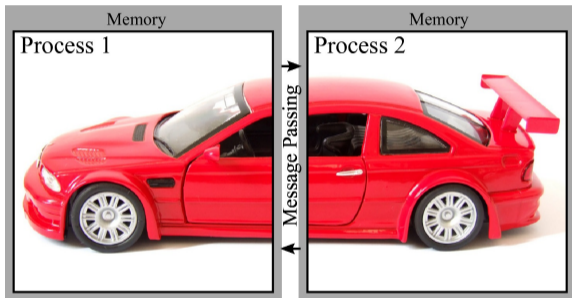




# **TASK PARALLELISM**

# THREADS VERSUS PROCESSES

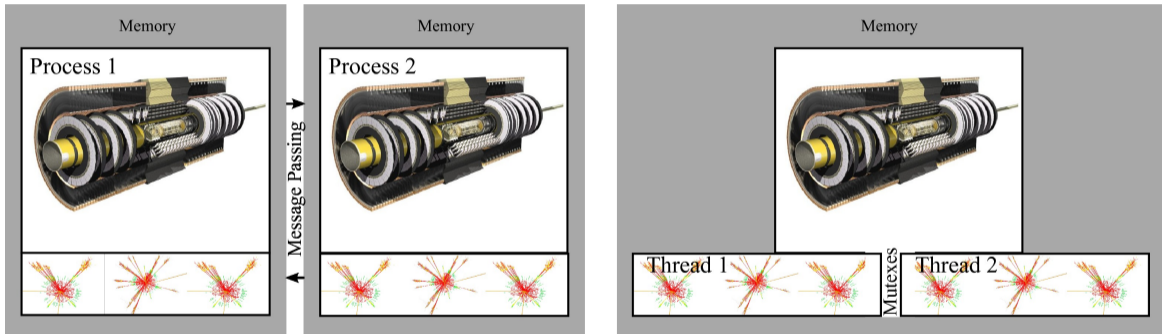
Option 1: Partitioning data set between threads/processes



Examples: computational fluid dynamics (CFD), image processing.

# THREADS VERSUS PROCESSES

## Option 2: Sharing data set between threads/processes



Examples: particle transport simulation, machine learning (inference).

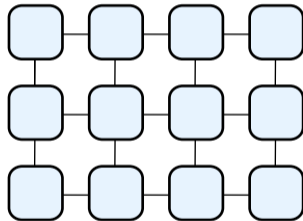
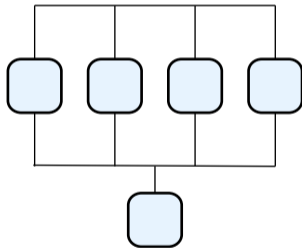
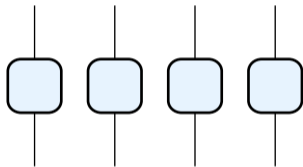


# THREADING FRAMEWORKS

<b>Framework</b>	<b>Functionality</b>
C++11 Threads	Asynchronous functions; only C++
POSIX Threads	Fork/join; C/C++/Fortran; Linux
Cilk Plus	Async tasks, loops, reducers, load balance; C/C++
TBB	Trees of tasks, complex patterns; only C++
OpenMP	Tasks, loops, reduction, load balancing, affinity, nesting, C/C++/Fortran (+SIMD, offload)

# PARALLEL PATTERNS

Common parallel patterns call for collective communication



# "HELLO WORLD" OPENMP PROGRAM

```
1  #include <omp.h>
2  #include <stdio.h>
3
4  int main(){
5      // This code is executed by 1 thread
6      const int nt=omp_get_max_threads();
7      printf("OpenMP with %d threads\n", nt);
8
9      #pragma omp parallel
10     { // This code is executed in parallel
11       // by multiple threads
12       printf("Hello World from thread %d\n",
13             omp_get_thread_num());
14     }
15 }
```

- ▶ OpenMP = “Open Multi-Processing” = computing-oriented framework for shared-memory programming
- ▶ Threads – streams of instructions that share memory address space
- ▶ Distribute threads across CPU cores for parallel speedup

# COMPILING THE "HELLO WORLD" OPENMP PROGRAM

```
vega@lyra% icpc -qopenmp hello_omp.cc
vega@lyra% export OMP_NUM_THREADS=5
vega@lyra% ./a.out
OpenMP with 5 threads
Hello World from thread 0
Hello World from thread 3
Hello World from thread 1
Hello World from thread 2
Hello World from thread 4
```

OMP\_NUM\_THREADS controls number of OpenMP threads (default: logical CPU count)

# CONTROL OF VARIABLE SHARING

Method 1: using clauses in pragma omp parallel (C, C++, Fortran):

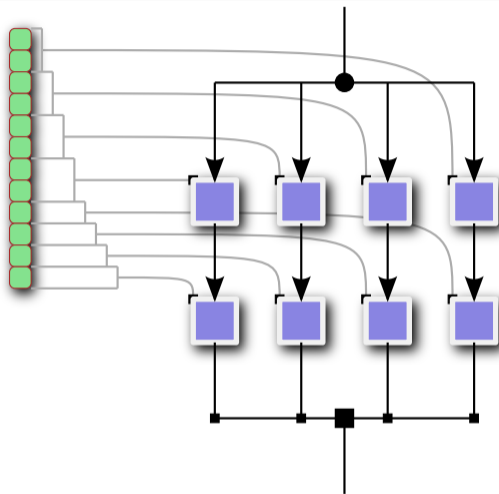
```
1 int A, B; // Variables declared at the beginning of a function
2 #pragma omp parallel private(A) shared(B)
3 {
4     // Each thread has its own copy of A, but B is shared
5 }
```

Method 2: using scoping (only C and C++):

```
1 int B; // Variable declared outside of parallel scope - shared by default
2 #pragma omp parallel
3 {
4     int A; // Variable declared inside the parallel scope - always private
5     // Each thread has its own copy of A, but B is shared
6 }
```

# LOOP-CENTRIC PARALLELISM: FOR-LOOPS IN OPENMP

- ▶ Simultaneously launch multiple threads
- ▶ Scheduler assigns loop iterations to threads
- ▶ Each thread processes one iteration at a time



Parallelizing a for-loop.

# LOOP-CENTRIC PARALLELISM: FOR-LOOPS IN OPENMP

The OpenMP library will distribute the iterations of the loop following the `#pragma omp parallel for` across threads.

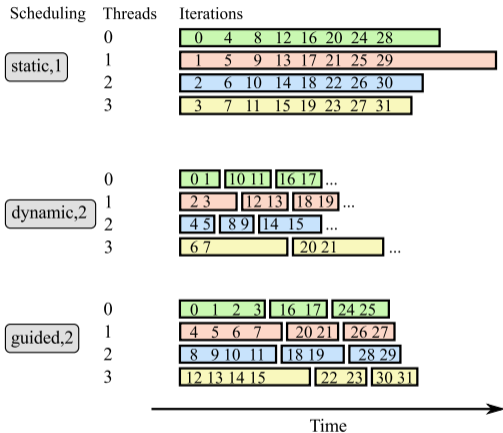
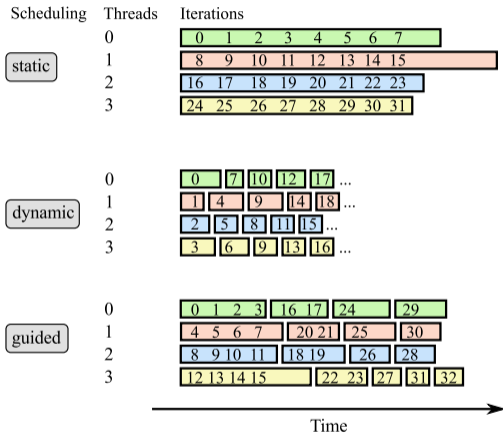
```
1  #pragma omp parallel for
2  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
3      printf("Iteration %d is processed by thread %d\n",
4            i, omp_get_thread_num());
5      // ... iterations will be distributed across available threads...
6  }
```

# LOOP-CENTRIC PARALLELISM: FOR-LOOPS IN OPENMP

```
1 #pragma omp parallel
2 {
3     // Code placed here will be executed by all threads.
4
5     // Alternative way to specify private variables:
6     // declare them in the scope of pragma omp parallel
7     int private_number=0;
8
9 #pragma omp for
10    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
11        // ... iterations will be distributed across available threads...
12    }
13    // ... code placed here will be executed by all threads
14 }
```

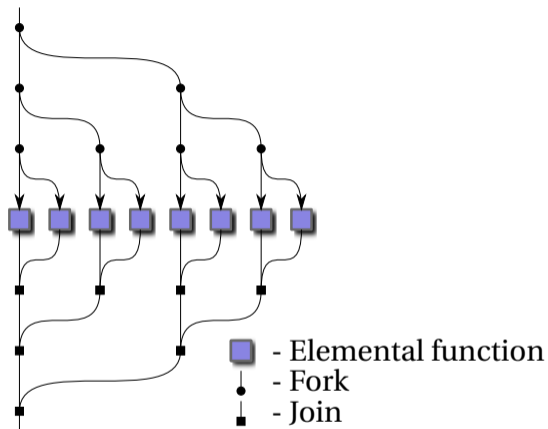


# LOOP SCHEDULING MODES IN OPENMP



# FORK-JOIN MODEL OF PARALLEL EXECUTION

- ▶ Each thread can spawn daughter threads
- ▶ Available threads pick up queued tasks
- ▶ Expresses algorithms that cannot be expressed in the loop model (e.g., parallel recursion)



Fork-join model of parallel execution.

(#pragma omp task functionality)

# TASKS IN OPENMP: EXAMPLE

```

1 // Starting the first task:
2 #pragma omp parallel
3 { // Enter a parallel region
4 #pragma omp single
5   { // Start the first task
6     // from only one thread
7     RecursiveWorkload(args);
8   }
9 }

```

```

1 // Recursive task spawning:
2 void RecursiveWorkload(Arg* args) {
3   if (args->size > threshold) {
4     // Split work
5     Arg* args1=args->FirstHalf();
6     Arg* args2=args->SecondHalf();
7
8     // Parallel divide-and-conquer
9     #pragma omp task firstprivate(args1)
10    { RecursiveWorkload(args1); }
11    #pragma omp task firstprivate(args2)
12    { RecursiveWorkload(args2); }
13  } else {
14    // End of recursion
15    args->ProcessSmallestSubTask();
16  }
17 }

```

# INCORPORATING THREAD PARALLELISM

Before:

```
1  for (int i = 0; i < nParticles; i++) { // Particles that experience force
2      float Fx = 0, Fy = 0, Fz = 0; // Gravity force on particle i
3      for (int j = 0; j < nParticles; j++) { // Particles that exert force
4          // Newton's law of universal gravity
5          ...
```

After:

```
1  #pragma omp parallel for
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4          for (int j = 0; j < nParticles; j++) { // Particles that exert force
5              // Newton's law of universal gravity
6              ...
```



# SCALAR OPTIMIZATION

# IMPROVING SCALAR EXPRESSIONS

Before:

```
1  const float drSquared  = dx*dx + dy*dy + dz*dz + 1e-20;  
2  const float drPower32 = pow(drSquared, 3.0/2.0);  
3  // Calculate the net force  
4  Fx += dx/drPower32;  Fy += dy/drPower32;  Fz += dz/drPower32;
```

After:

```
1  const float drRecip    = 1.0f/sqrtf(dx*dx + dy*dy + dz*dz + 1e-20);  
2  const float drPowerN32 = drRecip*drRecip*drRecip;  
3  // Calculate the net force  
4  Fx += dx*drPowerN32;  Fy += dy*drPowerN32;  Fz += dz*drPowerN32;
```

- ▶ Strength reduction (division → multiplication by reciprocal)
- ▶ Precision control (suffix `-f` on single-precision constants and functions)
- ▶ Reliance on hardware-supported reciprocal square root

## PRECISION CONTROL FOR TRANSCENDENTAL FUNCTIONS

- `-fimf-precision=value[:funclist]` Defines the precision for math functions. `value` is one of: `high`, `medium` or `low`
- `-fimf-max-error=ulps[:funclist]` The maximum allowable error expressed in ulps (*units in last place*)
- `-fimf-accuracy-bits=n[:funclist]` The number of correct bits required for mathematical function accuracy.
- `-fimf-domain-exclusion=n[:funclist]` Defines a list of special-value numbers that do not need to be handled.  
`int n` derived by the bitwise OR of types:  
extremes: 1, NaNs: 2, infinities: 4, denormals<sup>1</sup>: 8, zeroes: 16.

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<sup>1</sup>by default, on Intel Xeon Phi, denormals are flushed to zero in hardware, but supported in SVML

# FLOATING-POINT SEMANTICS

The Intel C++ Compiler may represent floating-point expressions in executable code differently, depending on the *floating-point semantics*.

-fp-model strict	Only value-safe optimizations
-fp-model precise	calculations are reproducible from run to run exceptions controlled using -fp-model except
-fp-model fast=1	(default) Value-unsafe optimizations are allowed
-fp-model fast=2	better performance at the cost of lower accuracy
-fp-model source	Intermediate arithmetic results are rounded to the precision defined in the source code.
-fp-model double	Intermediate arithmetic results are rounded to 53-bit (double) precision.
-fp-model extended	Intermediate arithmetic results are rounded to 64-bit (extended) precision.
-fp-model [no-]except	controls floating-point exception semantics.





# DATA PARALLELISM

# SHORT VECTOR SUPPORT

Vector instructions – one of the implementations of SIMD (Single Instruction Multiple Data) parallelism.

Scalar Instructions

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 + 1 = 5 \\ 0 + 3 = 3 \\ -2 + 8 = 6 \\ 9 + -7 = 2 \end{array}$$

Vector Instructions

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 9 \end{array} + \begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 3 \\ 8 \\ -7 \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{array}$$

Vector Length

# SIMULTANEOUS THREADING AND VECTORIZATION

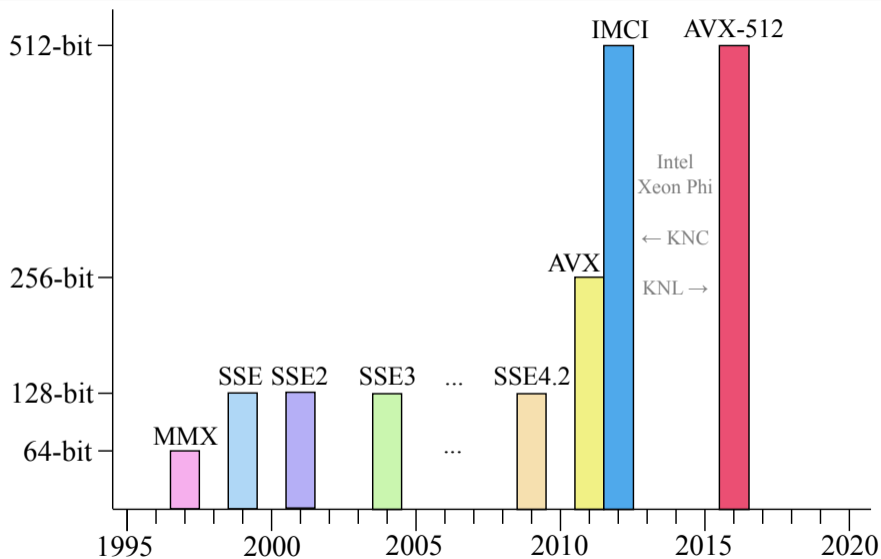
This approach often works:

```
1 #pragma omp parallel for
2 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) // Thread parallelism in outer loop
3 #pragma simd
4   for (int j = 0; j < m; j++) // Vectorization in inner loop
5     DoSomeWork(A[i][j]);
```

That works as well:

```
1 #pragma omp parallel for simd
2 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) // If the problem is all data-parallel
3   DoSomeWork(A[i]);
```

# INSTRUCTION SETS IN INTEL ARCHITECTURE



<https://software.intel.com/sites/landingpage/IntrinsicsGuide>

The Intel Intrinsics Guide is an interactive reference tool for Intel intrinsic instructions, which are C style functions that provide access to many Intel instructions - including Intel® SSE, AVX, AVX-512, and more - without the need to write assembly code.

MMX  
 SSE  
 SSE2  
 SSE3  
 SSSE3  
 SSE4.1  
 SSE4.2  
 AVX  
 AVX2  
 FMA  
 AVX-512  
 KNC  
 SVML  
 Other

Application-Targeted  
 Arithmetic  
 Bit Manipulation  
 Cast  
 Compare  
 Convert  
 Cryptography  
 Elementary Math Functions  
 General Support

`__m128i_mm_add_epi16 (__m128i a, __m128i b)` paddw  
`__m128i_mm_add_epi32 (__m128i a, __m128i b)` paddq  
`__m128i_mm_add_epi64 (__m128i a, __m128i b)` paddq  
`__m128i_mm_add_epi8 (__m128i a, __m128i b)` paddb  
`__m128d_mm_add_pd (__m128d a, __m128d b)` addpd

**Synopsis**

```
__m128d_mm_add_pd (__m128d a, __m128d b)
#include "emmintrin.h"
Instruction: addpd xmm, xmm
CPUID Flags: SSE2
```

**Description**

Add packed double-precision (64-bit) floating-point elements in a and b, and store the results in dst.

**Operation**

```
FOR j := 0 to 1
  i := j*64
  dst[i+63:i] := a[i+63:i] + b[i+63:i]
ENDFOR
```

**Performance**

Architecture	Latency	Throughput
Haswell	3	0.8
Ivy Bridge	3	1

# DETECTING AVAILABLE INSTRUCTIONS

In the OS:

```
[student@cdt ~]% cat /proc/cpuinfo
...
fpu_exception   : yes
cpuid level     : 11
wp              : yes
flags           : fpu vme de pse tsc msr pae mce
cx8 apic mtrr pge mca cmov pat pse36 clflush mmx
fxsr sse sse2 ss ht syscall nx lm constant_tsc
unfair_spinlock pni ssse3 cx16 sse4_1 sse4_2
x2apic popcnt aes hypervisor lahf_lm fsgsbase
bogomips       : 5985.17
clflush size   : 64
cache_alignment: 64
address sizes  : 46 bits physical, 48 bits virtual
...
```

In code (see also):

```
1 // Intel compiler
2 // preprocessor macros:
3
4 #ifdef __SSE__
5 // ...SSE code path
6 #endif
7
8 #ifdef __SSE4_2__
9 // ...SSE code path
10 #endif
11
12 #ifdef __AVX__
13 // ...AVX code path
14 #endif
```

# AUTOMATIC VECTORIZATION OF LOOPS

```

1  #include <stdio>
2
3  int main(){
4      const int n=1024;
5      int A[n] __attribute__((aligned(64)));
6      int B[n] __attribute__((aligned(64)));
7
8      for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
9          A[i] = B[i] = i;
10
11     // This loop will be auto-vectorized
12     for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
13         A[i] = A[i] + B[i];
14
15     for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
16         printf("%2d %2d %2d\n",i,A[i],B[i]);
17 }

```

```

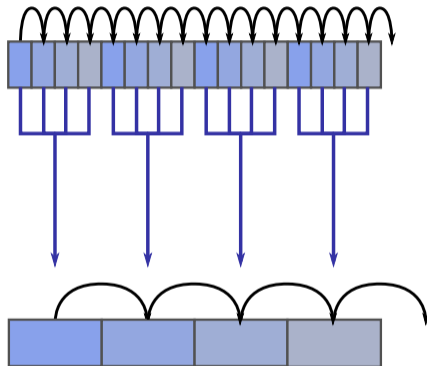
vega@lyra% icpc autovec.cc -qopt-report
vega@lyra% cat autovec.optrpt
...
LOOP BEGIN at autovec.cc(12,3)
remark #15399: vectorization support:
unroll factor set to 2 [autovec.cc(12,3)]
remark #15300: LOOP WAS VECTORIZED
[autovec.cc(12,3)]
LOOP END
...
vega@lyra% ./a.out
0 0 0
1 2 1
2 4 2
3 6 3
4 8 4
...

```

# LIMITATIONS ON AUTOMATIC VECTORIZATION

- ▶ Innermost loops\*
- ▶ Known number of iterations
- ▶ No vector dependence
- ▶ Functions must be SIMD-enabled

\* `#pragma omp simd` to override





## VECTORIZE MORE LOOPS: `#pragma omp simd`

Used to “enforce vectorization of loops”, which includes:

- ▶ Loops with SIMD-enabled functions
- ▶ Second innermost loops
- ▶ Failed vectorization due to compiler decision
- ▶ Where guidance is required (vector length, reduction, etc.)

See OpenMP reference for syntax; `#pragma simd`

# VECTORIZING WITH UNIT-STRIDE MEMORY ACCESS

Before:

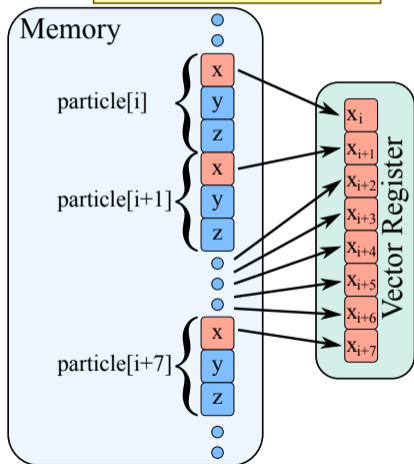
```
1 struct ParticleType {
2     float x, y, z, vx, vy, vz;
3 }; // ...
4     const float dx = particle[j].x - particle[i].x;
5     const float dy = particle[j].y - particle[i].y;
6     const float dz = particle[j].z - particle[i].z;
```

After:

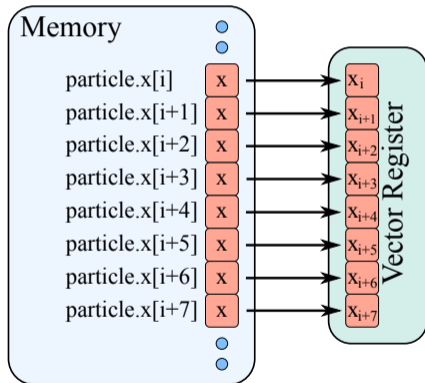
```
1 struct ParticleSet {
2     float *x, *y, *z, *vx, *vy, *vz;
3 }; // ...
4     const float dx = particle.x[j] - particle.x[i];
5     const float dy = particle.y[j] - particle.y[i];
6     const float dz = particle.z[j] - particle.z[i];
```

# WHY AOS TO SOA CONVERSION HELPS: UNIT STRIDE

Array of Structures  
(sub-optimal)



Structure of Arrays  
(optimal)

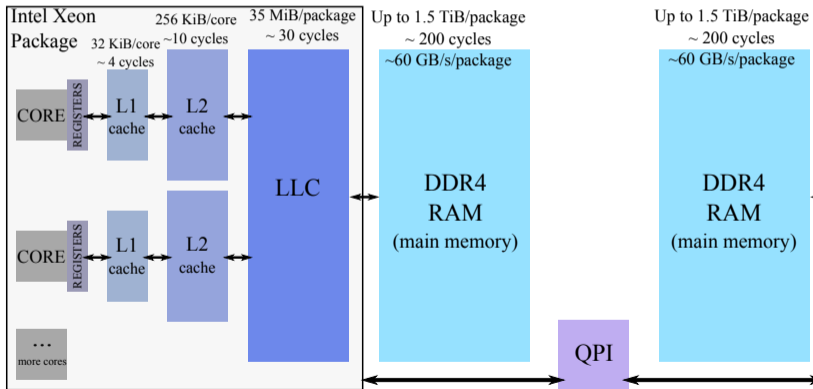




# MEMORY OPTIMIZATION

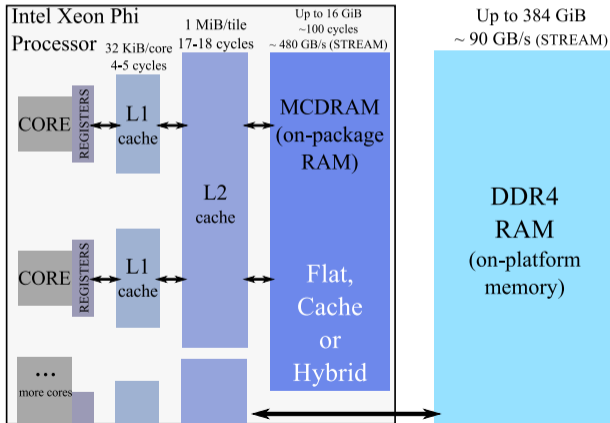
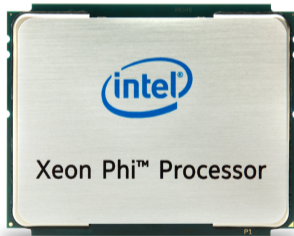
# INTEL XEON CPU: MEMORY ORGANIZATION

- ▶ Hierarchical cache structure
- ▶ Two-way processors have NUMA architecture



# KNL MEMORY ORGANIZATION (BOOTABLE)

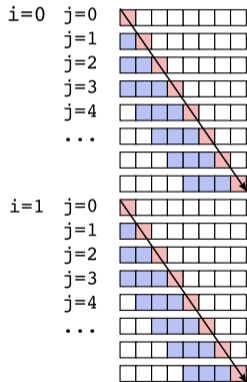
- ▶ On-package high-bandwidth memory (HBM) – MCDRAM
- ▶ Optimized for arithmetic performance and bandwidth (not latency)



# LOOP TILING: CACHE BLOCKING

## Original:

```
for (i=0; i<m; i++)
  for (j=0; j<n; j++)
    ...=...*b[j];
```



- - cached, LRU eviction policy
- - cache miss (read from memory, slow)
- - cache hit (read from cache, fast)

Cache size: 4

TILE=4

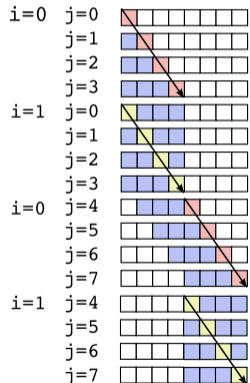
(must be tuned to cache size)

Cache hit rate without tiling: 0%

Cache hit rate with tiling: 50%

## Tiled:

```
for (jj=0; jj<n; jj+=TILE)
  for (i=0; i<m; i++)
    for (j=jj; j<jj+TILE; j++)
      ...=...*b[j];
```



# IMPROVING CACHE TRAFFIC

Before:

```

1 for (int i = 0; i < nParticles; i++) { // Particles that experience force
2     float Fx = 0, Fy = 0, Fz = 0; // Gravity force on particle i
3     for (int j = 0; j < nParticles; j++) { // Particles that exert force
4         // ...
5         Fx += dx*drPowerN32; Fy += dy*drPowerN32; Fz += dz*drPowerN32;

```

After: (tileSize = 16)

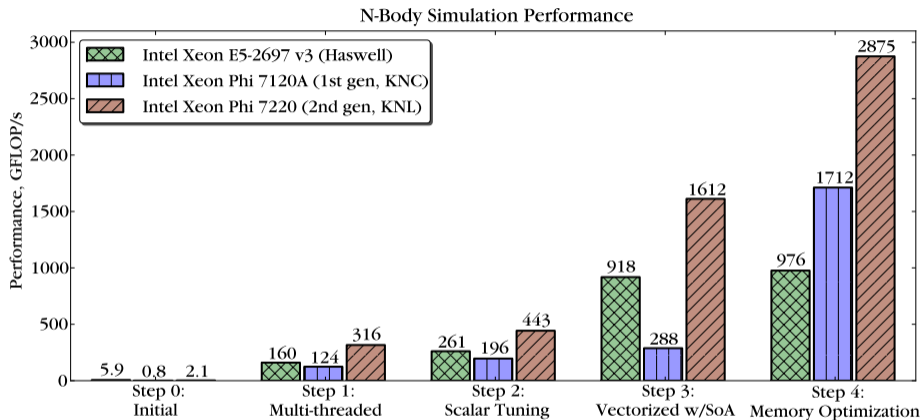
```

1 for (int ii = 0; ii < nParticles; ii += tileSize) { // Particle blocks
2     float Fx[tileSize], Fy[tileSize], Fz[tileSize]; // Force on particle block
3     Fx[:] = Fy[:] = Fz[:] = 0;
4     #pragma unroll(tileSize)
5     for (int j = 0; j < nParticles; j++) { // Particles that exert force
6         for (int i = ii; i < ii + tileSize; i++) { // Traverse the block
7             // ...
8             Fx[i-ii]+=dx*drPowerN32; Fy[i-ii]+=dy*drPowerN32; Fz[i-ii]+=dz*drPowerN32;

```



# IMPACT OF CODE OPTIMIZATION



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## **§3. OPTIMIZATION POINTERS**

# SCOPE OF THIS COURSE

Areas of code optimization for Intel architecture:

1. **Scalar optimization** (compiler-friendly practices)
2. **Vectorization** (must use 16- or 8-wide vectors)
3. **Multi-threading** (must scale to 100+ threads)
4. **Memory access** (streaming access or tiling)
5. **Communication** (offload, MPI traffic control)



## SCALAR TUNING

# OPTIMIZATION LEVEL

## Default optimization level -O2

- ▶ optimization for speed
- ▶ automatic vectorization
- ▶ inlining
- ▶ constant propagation
- ▶ dead-code elimination
- ▶ loop unrolling

## Optimization level -O3

- ▶ aggressive optimization
- ▶ loop fusion
- ▶ block-unroll-and-jam
- ▶ if-statement collapse
- ▶ *may or may not be better than -O2*

# SETTING OPTIMIZATION LEVEL

For the entire file:

```
vega@lyra% icpc -o mycode -O3 source.cc
```

For a specific function:

```
1 #pragma intel optimization_level 3
2 void my_function() {
3     //...
4 }
```

# STRENGTH REDUCTION

## Common Subexpression Elimination.

```

1  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
2      A[i] /= B;
3  }
```

```

1  const float Br = 1.0f/B;
2  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
3      A[i] *= Br;
```

## Replace division with multiplication.

```

1  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
2      P[i] = (Q[i]/R[i])/S[i];
3  }
```

```

1  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
2      P[i] = Q[i]/(R[i]*S[i]);
3  }
```

## Use functions with Hardware support.

```

1  double r = pow(r2, -0.5);
2  double v = exp(x);
3  double y = y0*exp(log(x/x0)*
4              log(y1/y0)/log(x1/x0));
```

```

1  double r = 1.0/sqrt(r2);
2  double v = exp2(x*1.44269504089);
3  double y = y0*exp2(log2(x/x0)*
4              log2(y1/y0)/log2(x1/x0));
```

# CONSISTENCY OF PRECISION: CONSTANTS

```
1 // Bad: 2 is "int"
2 long b=a*2;
3
4 // Bad: overflow
5 long n=100000*100000;
6
7 // Bad: excessive
8 float p=6.283185307179586;
9
10 // Bad: 2 is "int"
11 float q=2*p;
12
13 // Bad: 1e9 is "double"
14 float r=1e9*p;
15
16 // Bad: 1 is "int"
17 double t=s+1;
```

```
1 // Good: 2L is "long"
2 long b=a*2L;
3
4 // Good: correct
5 long n=100000L*100000L;
6
7 // Good: accurate
8 float p=6.283185f;
9
10 // Good: 2.0f is "float"
11 float q=2.0f*p;
12
13 // Good: 1e9f is "float"
14 float r=1e9f*p;
15
16 // Good: 1.0 is "double"
17 double t=s+1.0;
```



# CONSISTENCY OF PRECISION: FUNCTIONS

```
1 // Bad: 3.14 is a double
2 float x = 3.14;
3
4 // Bad: sin() is a
5 // double precision function
6 float s = sin(x);
7
8 // Bad: round() takes double
9 // and returns double
10 long v = round(x);
11
12 // Bad: abs() is not from IML
13 // it takes int and returns int
14 int v = abs(x);
```

```
1 // Good: 3.14f is a float
2 float x = 3.14f;
3
4 // Good: sin() is a
5 // single precision function
6 float s = sinf(x);
7
8 // Good: lroundf() takes float
9 // and returns long
10 long v = lroundf(x);
11
12 // Good: fabsf() is from IML
13 // It takes and returns a float
14 float v = fabsf(x);
```

# MOVE BRANCHES OUTSIDE OF LOOPS

```
1 // Elegant, but bad for performance
2 for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
3     if (i == 0) {
4         // Absorbing boundary
5         B[i] = 0.0;
6     } else if (i == n - 1) {
7         // Injection at boundary
8         B[i] = A[i] + 1.0;
9     } else {
10        // Diffusion between boundaries
11        B[i] = 0.25*(A[i-1] +
12                    2.0*A[i] + A[i+1]);
13    }
14 }
```

```
1 // Moving branches out of loops
2
3
4 // Absorbing boundary
5 B[i] = 0.0;
6
7 for (i = 1; i < n - 1; i++) {
8     // Diffusion between boundaries
9     B[i] = 0.25*(A[i-1] + 2.0*A[i] +
10                 A[i+1]);
11 }
12
13 // Injection at boundary
14 B[n-1] = A[n-1] + 1.0;
```

# REDUNDANT CODE IS OK

```
1 // Elegant, but bad for performance
2 for (ii = 0; ii < n; ii+=16) {
3     for (i = ii; i < ii+16; i++)
4         // Branch causes unnecessary
5         // masking of vector iterations
6         if (i < n) {
7             A[k*n + i] = ...
8         }
9 }
```

```
1 // Redundant code, but faster
2 const int nTrunc = n - n%16;
3 for (ii = 0; ii < nTrunc; ii+=16) {
4     for (i = ii; i < ii+16; i++)
5         A[k*n + i] = ...
6
7     for (i = nTrunc; i < n; i++)
8         A[k*n + i] = ...
9 }
```



# VECTORIZATION

# AUTOMATIC VECTORIZATION OF LOOPS

```

1  #include <stdio>
2
3  int main(){
4      const int n=1024;
5      int A[n] __attribute__((aligned(64)));
6      int B[n] __attribute__((aligned(64)));
7
8      for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
9          A[i] = B[i] = i;
10
11     // This loop will be auto-vectorized
12     for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
13         A[i] = A[i] + B[i];
14
15     for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
16         printf("%2d %2d %2d\n",i,A[i],B[i]);
17 }

```

```

vega@lyra% icpc autovec.cc -qopt-report
vega@lyra% cat autovec.optrpt
...
LOOP BEGIN at autovec.cc(12,3)
remark #15399: vectorization support:
unroll factor set to 2 [autovec.cc(12,3)]
remark #15300: LOOP WAS VECTORIZED
[autovec.cc(12,3)]
LOOP END
...
vega@lyra% ./a.out
0 0 0
1 2 1
2 4 2
3 6 3
4 8 4
...

```

## VECTORIZE MORE LOOPS: `#pragma omp simd`

Used to “enforce vectorization of loops”, which includes:

- ▶ Loops with SIMD-enabled functions
- ▶ Second innermost loops
- ▶ Failed vectorization due to compiler decision
- ▶ Where guidance is required (vector length, reduction, etc.)

See OpenMP reference for syntax; `#pragma simd`

# SIMD-ENABLED FUNCTIONS

Define function in one file (e.g., library), use in another

```
1 // Compiler will produce 3 versions:
2 #pragma omp declare simd
3 float my_simple_add(float x1, float x2){
4     return x1 + x2;
5 }
```

```
1 // May be in a separate file
2 #pragma omp simd
3 for (int i = 0; i < N, ++i) {
4     output[i] = my_simple_add(inputa[i], inputb[i]);
5 }
```

# SIMD-ENABLED FUNCTIONS

The solution is to design and declare the function as *SIMD-enabled*:

```
1 __attribute__((vector)) float my_simple_add(float x1, float x2) {  
2     return x1 + x2;  
3 }
```

When using SIMD-enabled functions, use `#pragma simd`.

```
1 // ...in a separate source file:  
2 #pragma simd  
3 for (int i = 0; i < N, ++i) {  
4     output[i] = my_simple_add(inputa[i], inputb[i]);  
5 }
```

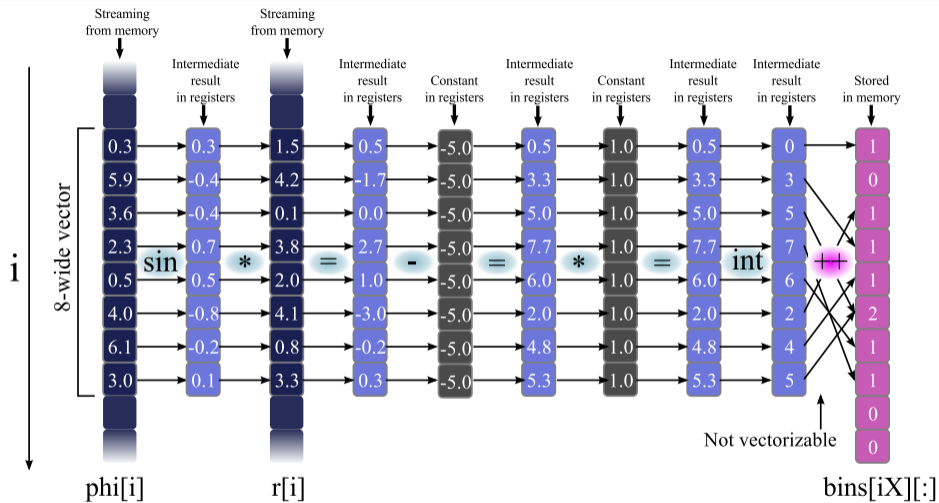
In this case, automatic vectorization succeeds.



# AUTO-VECTORIZED LOOPS MAY BE COMPLEX

```
1  for (int i = ii; i < ii + tileSize; i++) { // Auto-vectorized
2
3      // Newton's law of universal gravity
4      const float dx = particle.x[j] - particle.x[i]; // x[j] is a const
5      const float dy = particle.y[j] - particle.y[i]; // x[i] -> vector
6      const float dz = particle.z[j] - particle.z[i];
7      const float rr = 1.0f/sqrtf(dx*dx + dy*dy + dz*dz + softening);
8      const float drPowerN32 = rr*rr*rr;
9
10     // Calculate the net force
11     Fx[i-ii] += dx * drPowerN32;
12     Fy[i-ii] += dy * drPowerN32;
13     Fz[i-ii] += dz * drPowerN32;
14 }
```

# AUTO-VECTORIZED LOOPS MAY BE COMPLEX (EXAMPLE 2)



See [this paper](#) for more details

# ASSUMED VECTOR DEPENDENCE

- ▶ True vector dependence – vectorization impossible:

```

1 float *a, *b;
2 for (int i = 1; i < n; i++)
3   a[i] += b[i]*a[i-1]; // dependence on the previous element

```

- ▶ Assumed vector dependence – compiler suspects dependence

```

1 void mycopy(int n,
2            float* a, float* b) {
3   for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
4     a[i] = b[i];
5 }

```

```

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vega@lyra% cat vdep.optrpt
...
remark #15304: loop was not
vectorized: non-vectorizable loop
instance from multiversioning
...

```

# RESOLVING ASSUMED DEPENDENCY

- ▶ Restrict: Keyword indicating that there is no pointer aliasing (C++11)

```

1 void mycopy(int n,
2     float* restrict a,
3     float* restrict b) {
4     for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
5         a[i] = b[i];
6 }

```

```

vega@lyra% icpc -c vdep.cc -qopt-report \
% -restrict
vega@lyra% cat vdep.optrpt
...
remark #15304: LOOP WAS VECTORIZED
...

```

- ▶ #pragma ivdep: ignores assumed dependency for a loop (Intel Compiler)

```

1 void mycopy(int n, float* a, float* b) {
2     #pragma ivdep
3     for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
4         a[i] = b[i];
5 }

```

# UNIT-STRIDE ACCESS

Unit-stride access is optimal:

```
1 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
2   A[i] += B[i];
```

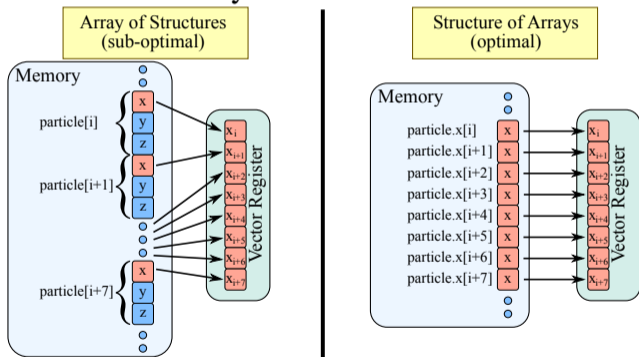
Non-unit stride is slower:

```
1 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
2   A[i*stride] += B[i];
```

Stochastic access may be vectorized (but not efficient):

```
1 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
2   A[offset[i]] += B[i];
```

It may be a question of changing the order of loop nesting, but sometimes you need to modify data structures:



# DATA ALIGNMENT REQUIREMENTS

Array `char* p` is `n`-byte aligned if  $((\text{size\_t})p \% n == 0)$ .

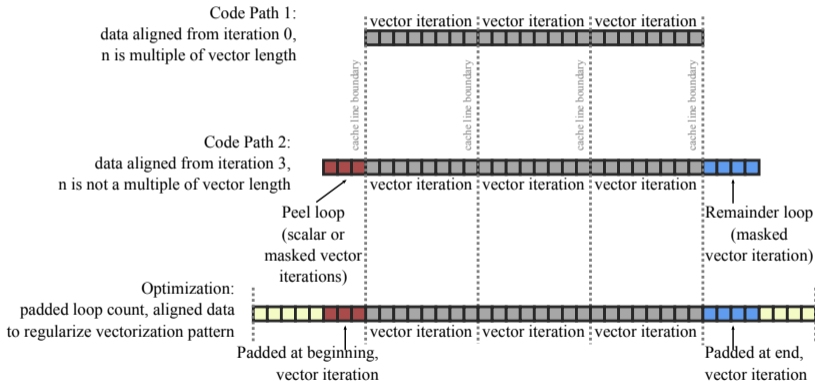
Processor	Operation	Alignment
Xeon (Westmere and earlier)	SSE load, store	16-byte
Xeon (Sandy Bridge and later)	AVX load, store	32-byte (relaxed)
Xeon Phi (1st gen)	IMCI load, store	64-byte (strict)
Xeon Phi (1st gen)	DMA transfer in offload	4096-byte (preferred)
Xeon Phi (2nd gen)	AVX-512 load, store	64-byte (relaxed)

Why align: speed up vector load/stores, avoid false sharing, accelerate RDMA.

# WHAT HAPPENS WITHOUT ALIGNMENT

Compiler may implement peel and remainder loops:

```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) A[i] = ...
```



# CREATING ALIGNED DATA CONTAINERS

- ▶ Data alignment on the stack

```
1 float A[n] __attribute__((aligned(64))); // 64-byte alignment applied
```

- ▶ Data alignment on the heap

```
1 float *A = (float*) _mm_malloc(sizeof(float)*n, 64);
```

- ▶ A[0] is aligned on a 64-byte boundary.
- ▶ Very high alignment value may lead to wasted virtual memory.
- ▶ Fortran: directive or compiler argument `-align array64byte`



# PADDING MULTI-DIMENSIONAL CONTAINERS FOR ALIGNMENT

To use aligned instructions, you may need to pad inner dimension of multi-dimensional arrays to a multiple of 16 (in SP) or 8 (DP) elements.

Incorrect:

```

1 // A - matrix of size (n x n)
2 // n is not a multiple of 16
3 float* A =
4   _mm_malloc(sizeof(float)*n*n, 64);
5
6 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
7     // A[i*n + 0] may be unaligned
8     for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
9         A[i*n + j] = ...

```

Correct:

```

1 // ... Padding inner dimension
2 int lda=n + (16-n%16); // lda%16==0
3 float* A =
4   _mm_malloc(sizeof(float)*n*lda, 64);
5
6 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
7     // A[i*lda + 0] aligned for any i
8     for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
9         A[i*lda + j] = ...

```

# VECTORIZATION DIRECTIVES

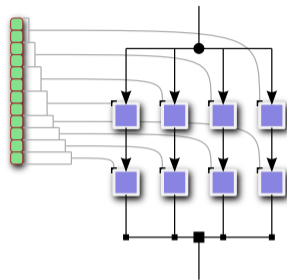
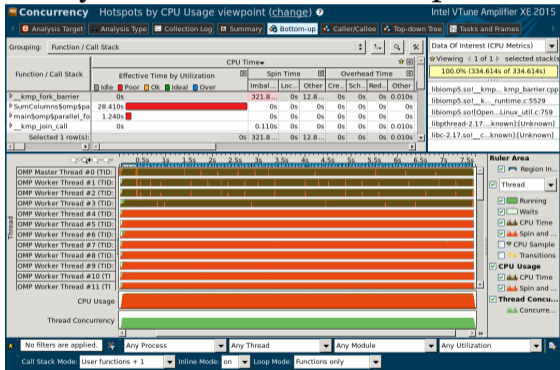
- ▷ `#pragma omp simd`
- ▷ `#pragma vector always`
- ▷ `#pragma vector aligned | unaligned`
- ▷ `__assume_aligned` keyword
- ▷ `#pragma vector nontemporal | temporal`
- ▷ `#pragma novector`
- ▷ `#pragma ivdep`
- ▷ `restrict` qualifier and `-restrict` command-line argument
- ▷ `#pragma loop count`



# MULTI-THREADING

# INSUFFICIENT PARALLELISM

## Analysis in Intel VTune Amplifier XE



- Occurs when there are not enough iterations or parallel work-items exposed to the parallel loop in OpenMP.

## EXAMPLE: DEALING WITH INSUFFICIENT PARALLELISM

$$S_i = \sum_{j=0}^n M_{ij}, i = 0 \dots m. \quad (1)$$

- ▶  $m=4$  is small, smaller than the number of threads in the system
- ▶  $n \approx 10^8$  is large enough so that matrix does not fit into cache

```

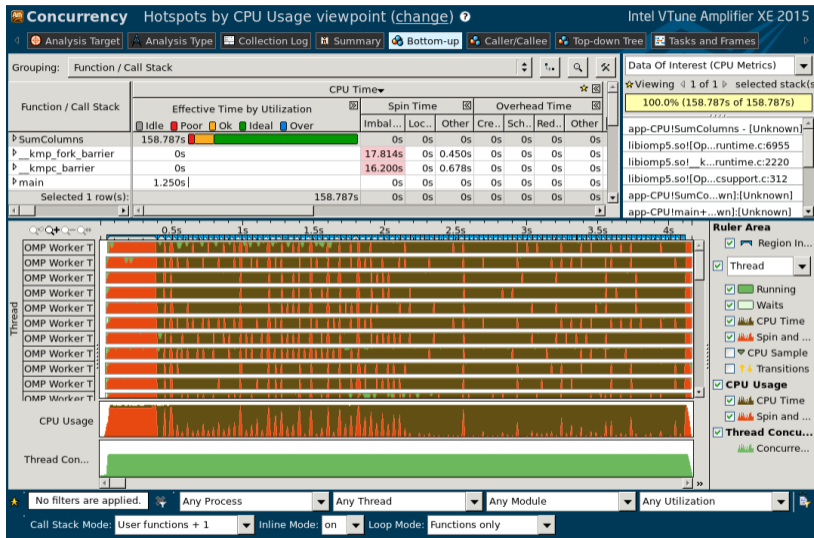
1 void sum_unoptimized(const int m, const int n, long* M, long* s){
2   #pragma omp parallel for
3     for (int i=0; i<m; i++) { // m=4
4       long total=0;
5       #pragma vector aligned
6         for (int j=0; j<n; j++) // n=100000000
7           total+=M[i*n+j];
8       s[i]=total; }

```

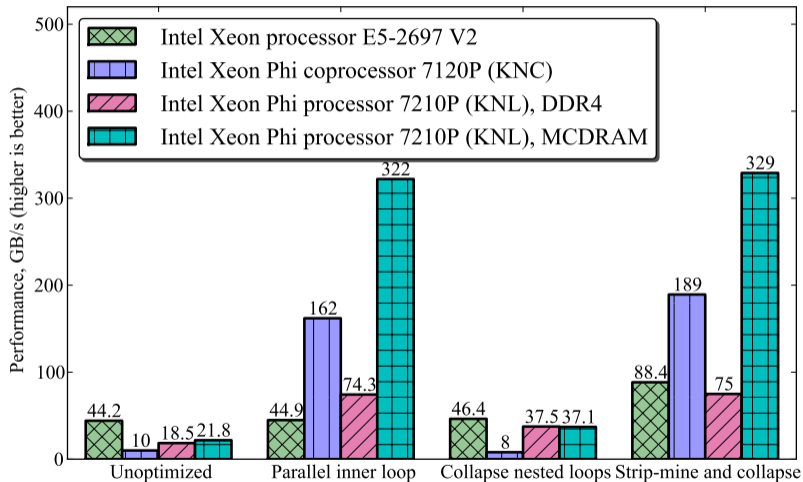
# EXPOSING PARALLELISM: STRIP-MINING AND LOOP COLLAPSE

```
1 void sum_stripmine(const int m, const int n, long* M, long* s){
2     const int STRIP=1024;
3     assert(n%STRIP==0);
4     s[0:m]=0;
5     #pragma omp parallel
6     {
7         long total[m];   total[0:m]=0;
8         #pragma omp for collapse(2) schedule(guided)
9         for (int i=0; i<m; i++)
10            for (int jj=0; jj<n; jj+=STRIP)
11               #pragma vector aligned
12                  for (int j=jj; j<jj+STRIP; j++)
13                     total[i]+=M[i*n+j];
14        for (int i=0; i<m; i++)           // Reduction
15           #pragma omp atomic
16              s[i]+=total[i];
17    } }
```

# EXPOSING PARALLELISM: STRIP-MINING AND LOOP COLLAPSE



# DEALING WITH INSUFFICIENT PARALLELISM





# RACE CONDITIONS AND UNPREDICTABLE PROGRAM BEHAVIOR

```

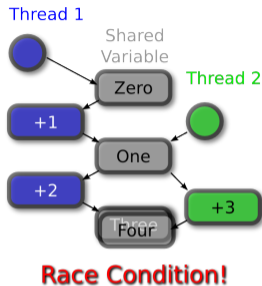
1  #include <omp.h>
2  #include <stdio.h>
3  int main() {
4      const int n = 1000;
5      int total = 0;
6      #pragma omp parallel for
7      for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
8          total = total + i; // Race condition
9      }
10     printf("total=%d (must be %d)\n", total,
11            ((n-1)*n)/2);
12 }

```

```

vega@lyra% icpc -o app omp-race.cc -qopenmp
vega@lyra% ./app
total=208112 (must be 499500)

```



- ▶ Occurs when 2 or more threads access the same memory address, and at least one of these accesses is for writing

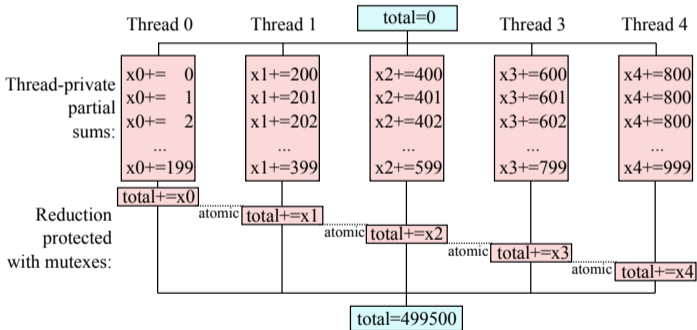
# AVOIDING RACES WITH THREAD-PRIVATE STORAGE

Correct and efficient code:

```

1  int total = 0;
2  #pragma omp parallel
3  {
4      int total_thr = 0;
5      #pragma omp for
6      for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
7          total_thr += i;
8
9      #pragma omp atomic
10     total += total_thr;
11
12 }

```



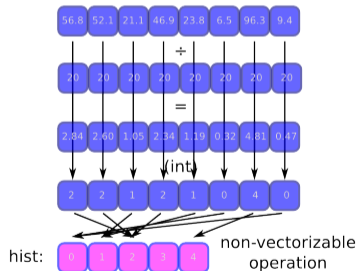
# EXAMPLE: BINNING PROBLEM

```

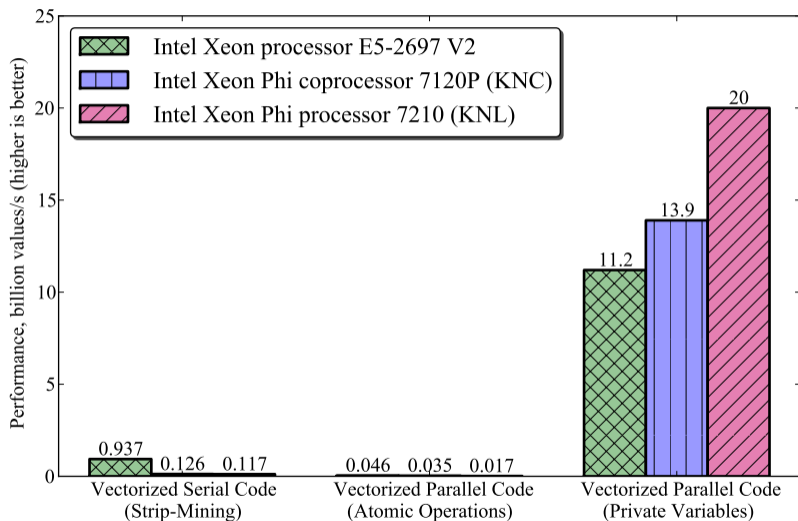
1 void Histogram(
2     // Ages, values from 0.0f to 100.0f:
3     const float* age,
4     // Size of array age, n=100000000:
5     const int n,
6     // Output: counts in groups:
7     int* const hist,
8     // Size of array hist, m=5:
9     const int m,
10    const float grpWidth) {
11    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
12        const int j = int(age[i]/grpWidth);
13        hist[j]++;
14    }
15 }

```

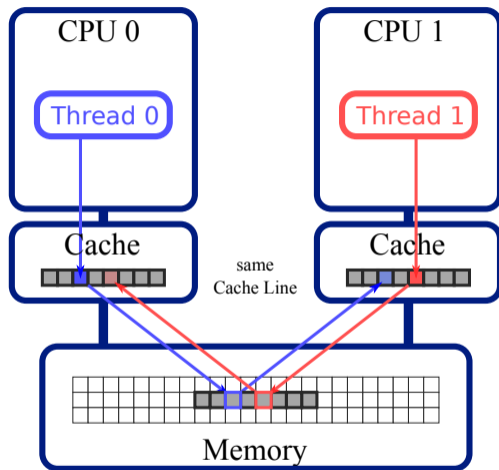
- ▶ Vector dependence in `hist[j]++`
- ▶ Strip-mine or use conflict detection



# USING REDUCTION INSTEAD OF SYNCHRONIZATION

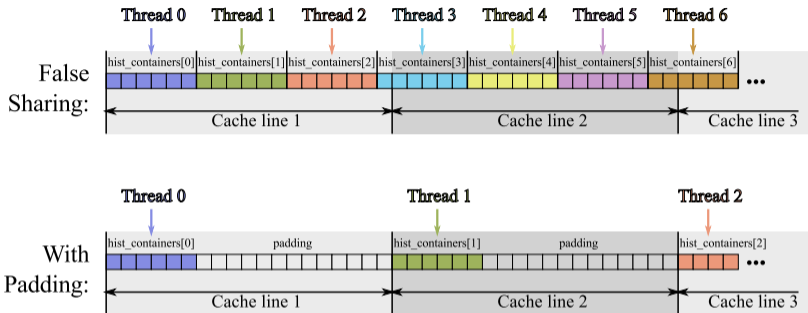


# FALSE SHARING. DATA PADDING AND PRIVATE VARIABLES



- ▶ Occurs when 2 or more threads access the same cache line, and at least one of the accesses is for writing
- ▶ Caused by *coherent caches*
- ▶ Cache line is 64-byte wide (in modern Intel architectures)

# PADDING TO AVOID FALSE SHARING

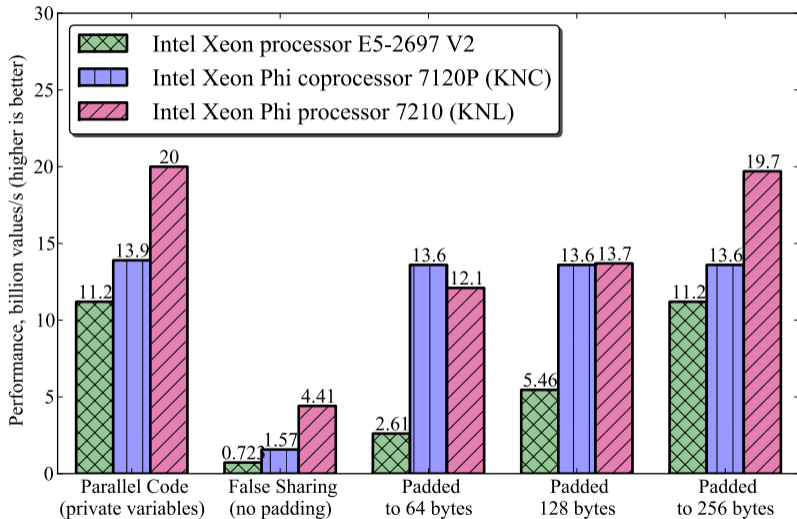


```

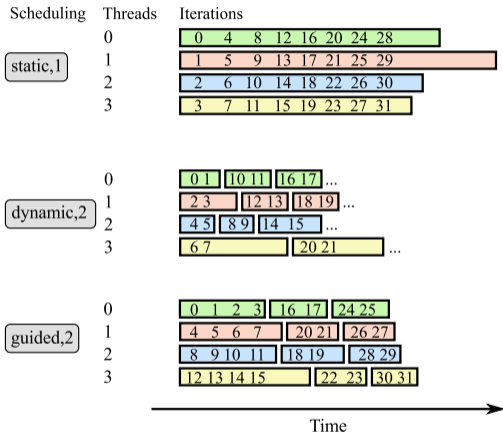
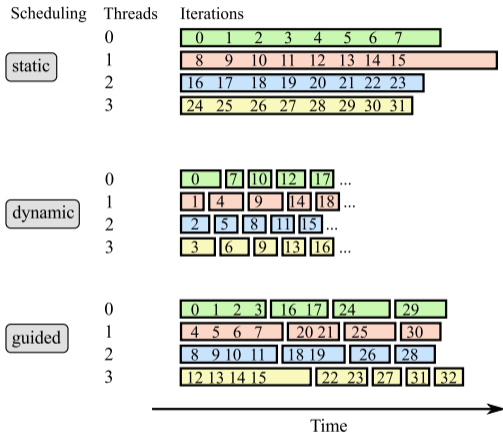
1 // Padding to avoid sharing a cache line between threads
2 const int paddingBytes = 64;
3 const int paddingElements = paddingBytes / sizeof(int);
4 const int mPadded = m + (paddingElements - m % paddingElements);
5 int hist_containers[nThreads][mPadded]; // New container

```

# PADDING TO AVOID FALSE SHARING



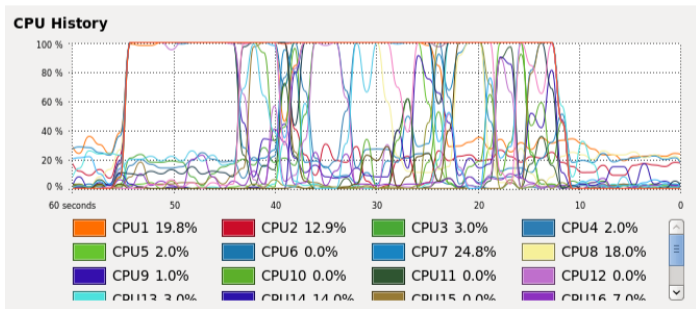
# LOOP SCHEDULING MODES IN OPENMP



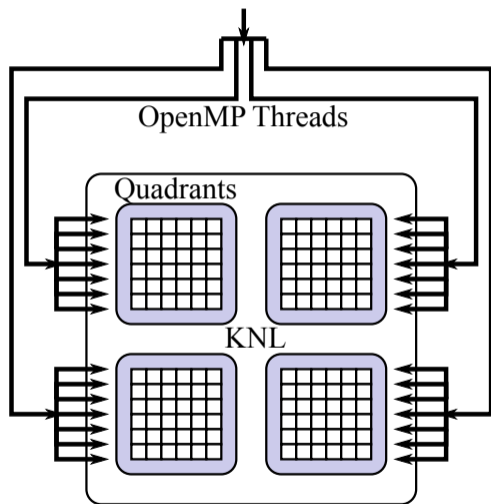


# WHAT IS THREAD AFFINITY

- ▶ OpenMP threads may migrate between cores
- ▶ Forbid migration — improve locality — increase performance
- ▶ Affinity patterns “scatter” and “compact” may improve cache sharing, relieve thread contention



# NESTED PARALLELISM WITH OPENMP



```

1  #pragma omp parallel
2  {
3  #pragma omp parallel
4  {
5      // ...
6  }
7  }

```

- ▶ Tune granularity of parallelism
- ▶ Improve resource sharing in NUMA systems



## **CACHE AND MEMORY ACCESS**

# HOW CHEAP ARE FLOPS?

## Intel Xeon Phi processor 7250

$68 \text{ cores} \times 1.2 \text{ GHz} \times 8 \text{ vec.lanes} \times 2 \text{ FMA} \times 2 \text{ IPC} \approx 2.6 \text{ TFLOP/s}$

$2.6 \text{ TFLOP/s} \times 8 \text{ bytes} \approx 21 \text{ TB/s}$

MCDRAM bandwidth  $\approx 0.48 \text{ TB/s}$

Ratio =  $21/0.48 \approx 43 \text{ (FLOPs)/(Memory Access)}$

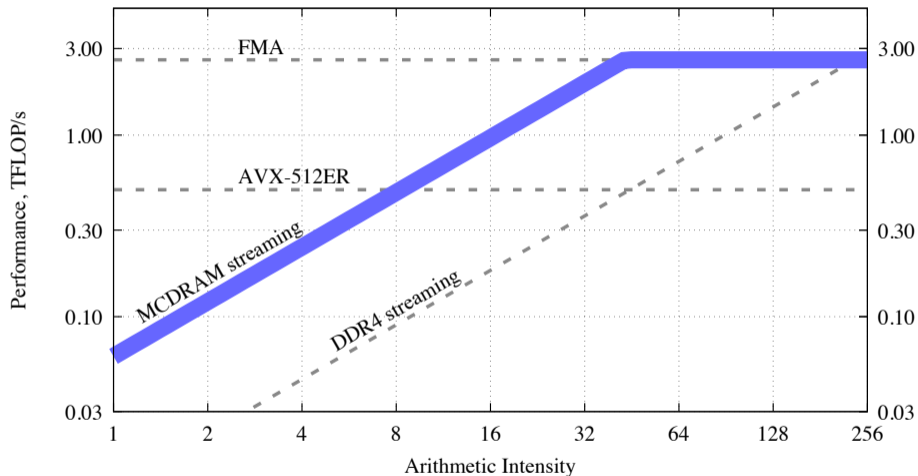
- ▶  $> 50 \text{ FLOPs/Memory Access}$  — Compute-bound Application
- ▶  $< 50 \text{ FLOPs/Memory Access}$  — Bandwidth-bound Application

# ON COMPUTATIONAL COMPLEXITY OF ALGORITHMS

Type	Properties	Examples
$O(N)$	Each data element is used a fixed number of times. Memory-bound unless the number of times is large.	Array scaling, image brightness adjustment, vector dot-product.
$O(N^\alpha)$	Each element is used $N^{\alpha-1}$ times. A lot of data reuse for $\alpha > 1$ . Good implementation can be compute-bound, poor one – memory-bound.	Matrix-matrix multiplication: $O(N^{3/2})$ ( $N$ = amount of data in matrix), direct N-body calculation: $O(N^2)$
$O(N \log N)$	Each element is used $\log N$ times. For small problems – memory-bound, for very large problems transitions to compute-bound	Fast Fourier transform, merge sort
$O(\log N)$	Always memory-bound.	Binary search

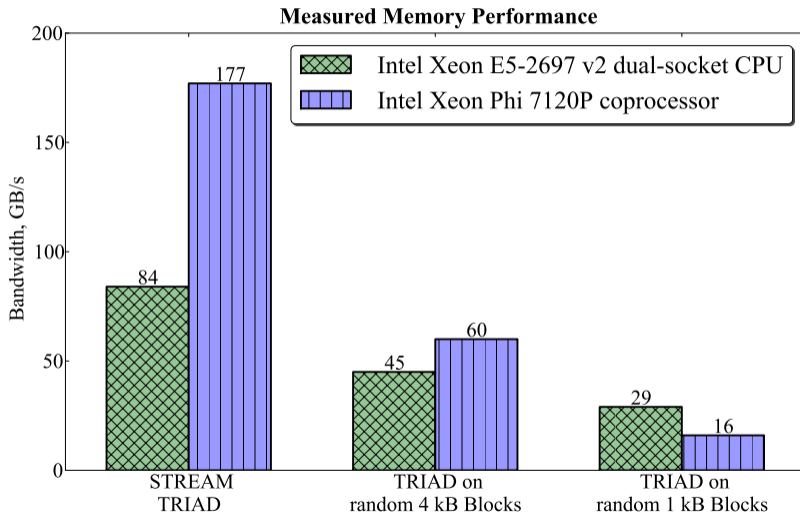
$N$  = data size

# ARITHMETIC INTENSITY AND ROOFLINE MODEL



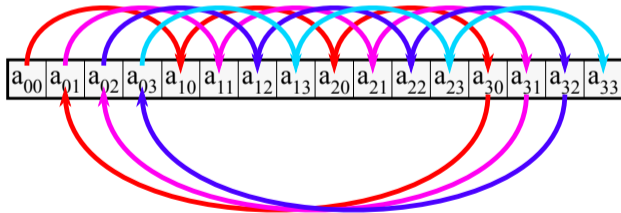
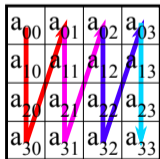
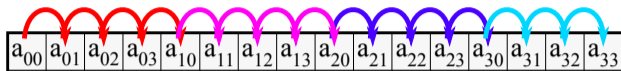
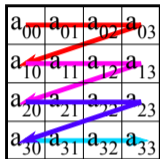
More on roofline model: [Williams et al.](#)

# STREAMING VERSUS RANDOM ACCESS



# PRINCIPLE

Choose loop order to maintain unit-stride memory access



Compiler may or may not be able to automate loop permutation.



# EXAMPLE: OVER-SIMPLIFIED MATRIX-MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

$$C = AB \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad C_{ij} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_{ik}B_{kj}$$

Before:

```

1  #pragma omp parallel for
2  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
3      for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
4      #pragma vector aligned
5          for (int k = 0; k < n; k++)
6              C[i*n+j] += A[i*n+k]*B[k*n+j];

```

After:

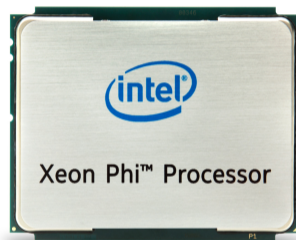
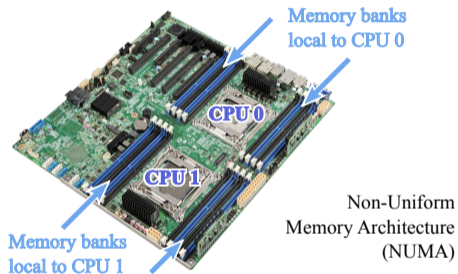
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2  for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
3      for (int k = 0; k < n; k++)
4      #pragma vector aligned
5          for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
6              C[i*n+j] += A[i*n+k]*B[k*n+j];

```

# NUMA ARCHITECTURES

NUMA = Non-Uniform Memory Access. Cores have fast access to local memory, slow access to remote memory.



Examples:

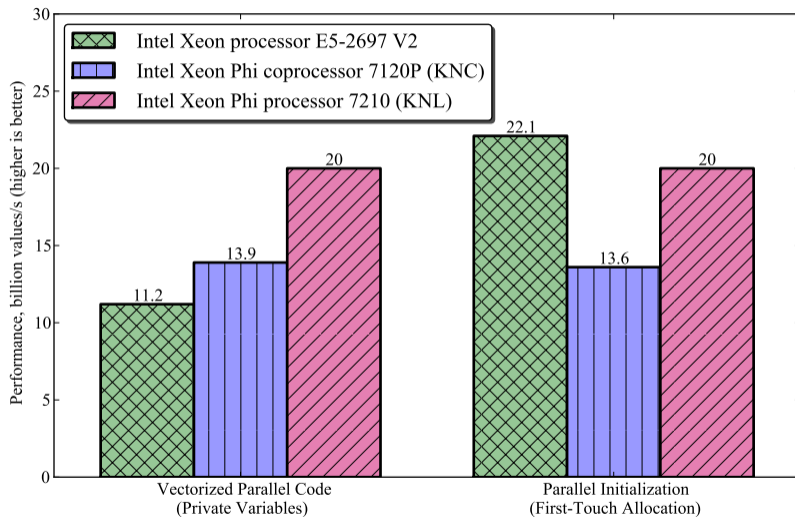
- ▶ Multi-socket Intel Xeon processors
- ▶ Second generation Intel Xeon Phi in **sub-NUMA clustering mode**

# ALLOCATION ON FIRST TOUCH

- ▶ Memory allocation occurs not during `_mm_malloc()`, but upon the first write to the buffer (“first touch”)
- ▶ Default NUMA allocation policy is “on first touch”
- ▶ For better performance in NUMA systems, initialize data with the same parallel pattern as during data usage

```
1 float* A = (float*)_mm_malloc(n*m*sizeof(float), 64);
2
3 // Initializing from parallel region for better performance
4 #pragma omp parallel for
5 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
6     for (int j = 0; j < m; j++)
7         A[i*m + j] = 0.0f;
```

# FIRST-TOUCH ALLOCATION POLICY



# PRINCIPLE

- ▶ For best spatial locality, order loops to get unit-stride
- ▶ At -O2 and above, the compiler may interchange loops
- ▶ In complex cases, investigate loop interchange manually
- ▶ May need to re-design data containers to get unit stride

# LOOP FUSION TECHNIQUE

Re-use data in cache by fusing loops in a data processing pipeline

```
1 MyData* data = new MyData(n);
2
3 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
4     Initialize(data[i]);
5
6 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
7     Stage1(data[i]);
8
9 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
10    Stage2(data[i]);
```

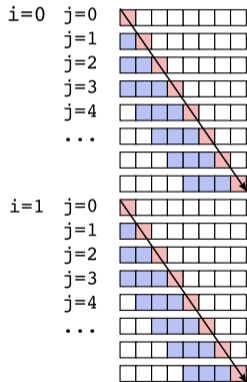
```
1 MyData* data = new MyData(n);
2
3 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
4
5     Initialize(data[i]);
6
7     Stage1(data[i]);
8
9     Stage2(data[i]);
10 }
```

Potential positive side-effect: less data to carry between stages, reduced memory footprint, improved performance.

# LOOP TILING: CACHE BLOCKING

## Original:

```
for (i=0; i<m; i++)
  for (j=0; j<n; j++)
    ...=...*b[j];
```



- - cached, LRU eviction policy
- - cache miss (read from memory, slow)
- - cache hit (read from cache, fast)

Cache size: 4

TILE=4

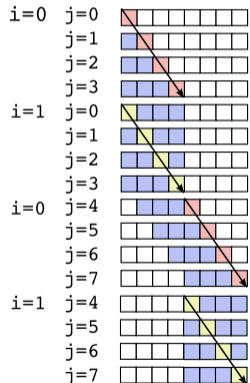
(must be tuned to cache size)

Cache hit rate without tiling: 0%

Cache hit rate with tiling: 50%

## Tiled:

```
for (jj=0; jj<n; jj+=TILE)
  for (i=0; i<m; i++)
    for (j=jj; j<jj+TILE; j++)
      ...=...*b[j];
```



# LOOP TILING (CACHE BLOCKING) -- PROCEDURE

```
1  for (int i = 0; i < m; i++) // Original code:
2      for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
3          compute(a[i], b[j]); // Memory access is unit-stride in j
```

```
1  // Step 1: strip-mine inner loop
2  for (int i = 0; i < m; i++)
3      for (int jj = 0; jj < n; jj += TILE)
4          for (int j = jj; j < jj + TILE; j++)
5              compute(a[i], b[j]); // Same order of operation as original
```

```
1  // Step 2: permute
2  for (int jj = 0; jj < n; jj += TILE)
3      for (int i = 0; i < m; i++)
4          for (int j = jj; j < jj + TILE; j++)
5              compute(a[i], b[j]); // Re-use to j=jj sooner
```



# EXAMPLE: MATRIX-VECTOR MULTIPLICATION

$$c_i = \sum_{j=0}^n A_{ij} b_j, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, (m-1). \quad (2)$$

```

1 void Multiply(const double* const A, const double* const b,
2              double* const c, const long n, const long m){
3     assert(n%64 == 0);
4     #pragma omp parallel for
5     for (long i = 0; i < m; i++)
6     #pragma vector aligned
7         for (long j = 0; j < n; j++) // Each value of A[i*n+j] is used only once
8             c[i] += A[i*n+j] * b[j]; // Each value of b[j] is used a total of m times
9 }

```

Non-optimal performance due to inefficient cache use

# APPLYING TILING

```
1  const long jTile = 4096L; assert(n%jTile == 0);
2  #pragma omp parallel
3  {
4      double temp_c[m] __attribute__((aligned(64)));
5      temp_c[:] =0;
6      #pragma omp for
7          for (long jj =0; jj < n; jj+=jTile) // Loop Tiling in j
8              for (long i = 0; i < m; i++)
9                  #pragma vector aligned
10                     for (long j =jj; j < jj+jTile; j++)
11                         temp_c[i] += A[i*n+j] * b[j];
12
13     for(long i = 0; i < m; i++) { // Reduction
14         #pragma omp atomic
15             c[i]+= temp_c[i];
16     } } }
```

# CACHE BLOCKING + STRIP-MINE AND COLLAPSE

```
1  const long iTile = 64L;    assert(m%iTile == 0);
2  const long jTile = 4096L; assert(n%jTile == 0);
3  #pragma omp parallel
4  {
5      double temp_c[m] __attribute__((aligned(64))); temp_c[:] =0;
6  #pragma omp for collapse(2)
7      for (long ii = 0; ii < m; ii += iTile)
8          for (long jj = 0; jj < n; jj += jTile)
9              for (long i = ii; i < ii+iTile; i++)
10 #pragma vector aligned
11                 for (long j =jj; j < jj+jTile; j++)
12                     temp_c[i] += A[i*n+j] * b[j];
13
14     for(long i = 0; i < m; i++) {
15 #pragma omp atomic
16         c[i]+= temp_c[i];
17 } } }
```



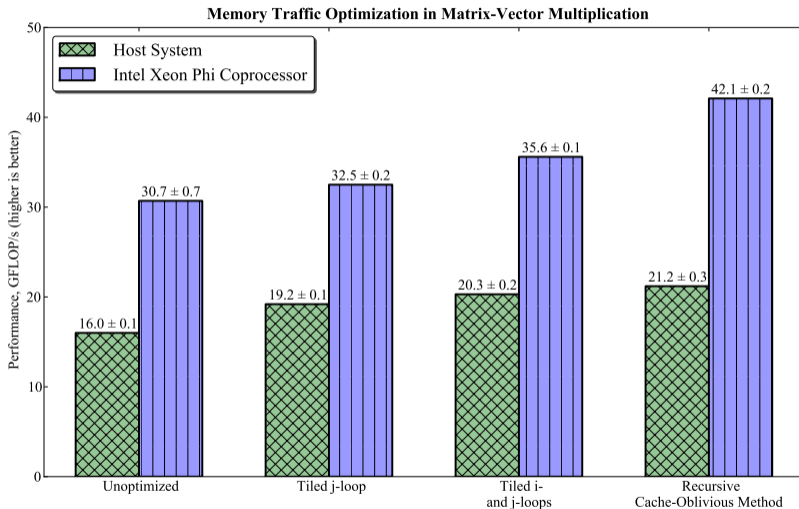
# EXAMPLE: MATRIX-VECTOR MULTIPLICATION

```

1 void RecursMultiply(const double* const A, const double* const b,
2     double* const c, const long n, const long m, const long lda){
3     const long jThreshold = 8192L; assert(n%jThreshold == 0);
4     const long iThreshold = 64L;  assert(m%iThreshold == 0);
5     if ((m<=iThreshold) && (n<=jThreshold)) { // Recursion threshold
6         // .... Base Case: Compute the result inside the tile ... //
7     } else { // Recursive divide-and-conquer
8         if (m*jThreshold > n*iThreshold) { // Split i-wise
9             double c1[m/2] __attribute__((aligned(64)));
10            #pragma omp task
11                { RecursMultiply(&A[0*lda + 0], &b[0], c1, n, m/2, lda); }
12            double c2[m/2] __attribute__((aligned(64)));
13            RecursMultiply(&A[(m/2)*lda + 0], &b[m/2], c2, n, m/2, lda);
14            #pragma omp taskwait
15                c[0:m/2] += c1[0:m/2]; c[m/2:m/2] += c2[0:m/2]; // Reduction
16        } else { // .... Split j-wise .... // }
17    } }

```

# PERFORMANCE OF MATRIX VECTOR MULTIPLICATION

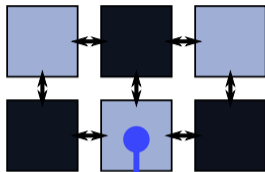




## **OPTIMIZING COMMUNICATION**

# PARALLEL PROGRAMMING LAYERS

**CLUSTER COMPUTING**  
in distributed memory



```
MPI_Sendrecv(data, k,
             MPI_DOUBLE, data2,
             ... );
```

**MULTITHREADING**  
in shared memory



```
#pragma omp parallel for
for (j = 0; j < m; j++)
    ComputeSubset(j);
```

**VECTORIZATION**  
of floating-point math



```
#pragma omp simd
for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
    A[i] += B[i];
```



# STRUCTURE OF MPI APPLICATIONS: HELLO WORLD

```
1 #include "mpi.h"
2 #include <stdio>
3 int main (int argc, char *argv[]) {
4     MPI_Init (&argc, &argv); // Initialize MPI environment
5     int rank, size, namelen;
6     char name[MPI_MAX_PROCESSOR_NAME];
7     MPI_Comm_rank (MPI_COMM_WORLD, &rank); // ID of current process
8     MPI_Get_processor_name (name, &namelen); // Hostname of node
9     MPI_Comm_size (MPI_COMM_WORLD, &size); // Number of processes
10    printf ("Hello World from rank %d running on %s!\n", rank, name);
11    if (rank == 0) printf("MPI World size = %d processes\n", size);
12    MPI_Finalize (); // Terminate MPI environment
13 }
```

MPICH site contains a list of [MPI 3.2 routines](#)

# COMPILING AND RUNNING MPI APPLICATIONS ON LOCALHOST

```
u100@c005% mpiicpc -o HelloMPI HelloMPI.cc
```

## Command file mympi:

```
#PBS -l nodes=1  
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR  
mpirun -host localhost -np 2 ./HelloMPI
```

## Results:

```
u100@c005% qsub mympi  
2000  
u100@c005% cat mympi.o2000  
Hello World from rank 1 running on c005-n001!  
Hello World from rank 0 running on c005-n001!  
MPI World size = 2 processes
```

# MPI APPLICATIONS: MACHINE FILE

Machine files are especially useful when working on large clusters.

Machine file hosts.txt:

```
c005-n001:1  
c005-n002:1
```

Job submission:

```
vega@lyra% mpirun -machinefile hosts.txt ~/hello_mpi
```

Torque job file (assumes same executable path):

```
#PBS -l nodes=4  
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR  
mpirun -machinefile $PBS_NODEFILE ./hello_mpi
```



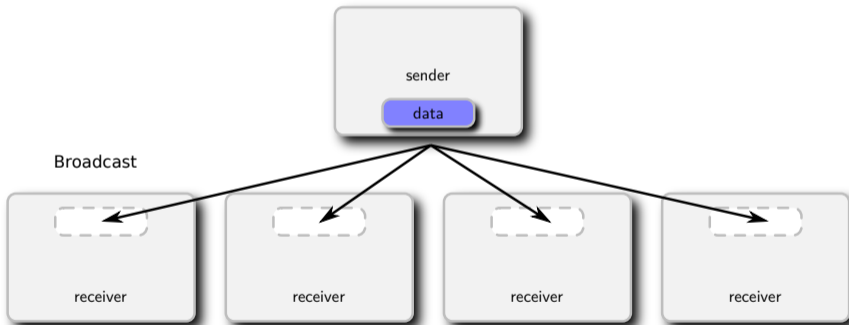
# COMMUNICATION PATTERNS

# POINT TO POINT COMMUNICATION

```
1  if (rank == sender) {
2
3  char outMsg[msgLen];
4  strcpy(outMsg, "Hi There!");
5  MPI_Send(&outMsg, msgLen, MPI_CHAR, receiver, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD);
6
7  } else if (rank == receiver) {
8
9  char inMsg[msgLen];
10 MPI_Recv (&inMsg, msgLen, MPI_CHAR, sender, tag, MPI_COMM_WORLD, &stat);
11 printf ("Received message with tag %d: '%s'\n", tag, inMsg);
12
13 }
```

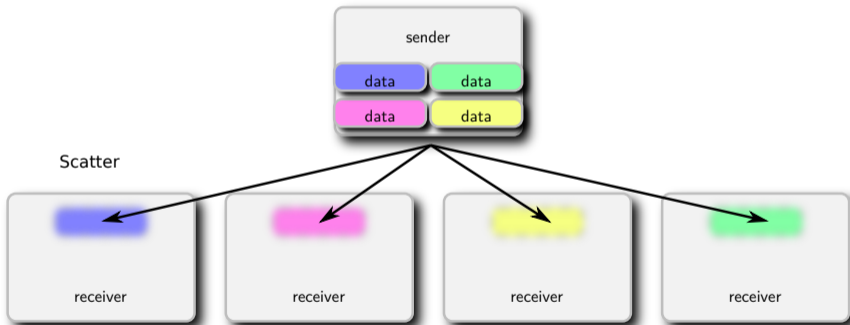
# COLLECTIVE COMMUNICATION: BROADCAST

```
1 int MPI_Bcast( void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,  
2 int root, MPI_Comm comm );
```



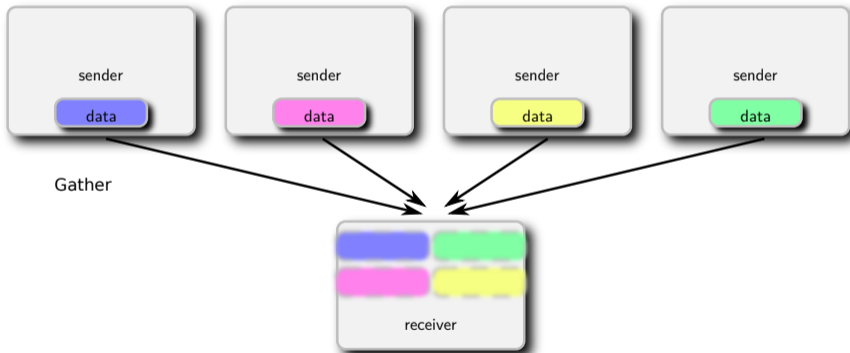
# COLLECTIVE COMMUNICATION: SCATTER

```
1 int MPI_Scatter(void *sendbuf, int sendcnt, MPI_Datatype sendtype, void *recvbuf,  
2 int recvcnt, MPI_Datatype recvttype, int root, MPI_Comm comm);
```



# COLLECTIVE COMMUNICATION: GATHER

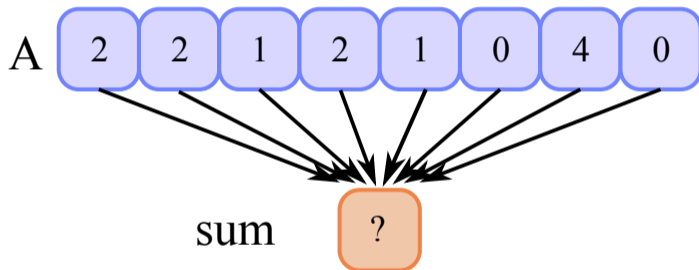
```
1 int MPI_Gather(void *sendbuf, int sendcnt, MPI_Datatype sendtype,  
2 void *recvbuf, int recvcnt, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int root, MPI_Comm comm);
```





# COLLECTIVE COMMUNICATION: REDUCTION

```
1 int MPI_Reduce(void *sendbuf, void *recvbuf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,  
2 MPI_Op op, int root, MPI_Comm comm);
```



Available reducers: max/min, minloc/maxloc, sum, product, AND, OR, XOR (logical or bitwise).

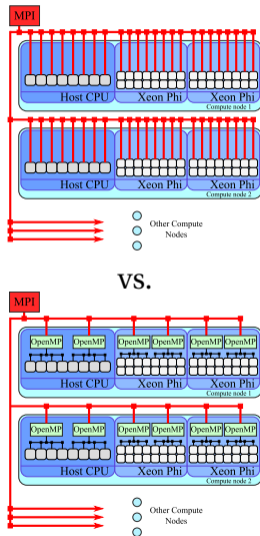


## **INTER-OPERATION WITH OPENMP**

# HYBRID MPI+OPENMP

Using OpenMP inside of MPI processes:

- ▶ Reduces the memory footprint
- ▶ Decreases the number of MPI ranks, which reduces communication
- ▶ May incur thread synchronization overhead
- ▶ Optimal number of threads in MPI processes must be established empirically



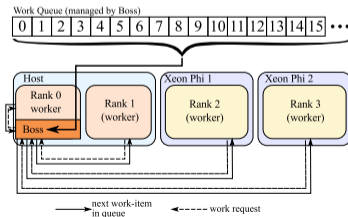
- ▶ MPI pins processes to cores and sets OpenMP affinity for them.
- ▶ To tune pinning: `I_MPI_PIN, I_MPI_PIN_DOMAIN`
- ▶ To diagnose process pinning: `I_MPI_DEBUG=4`
- ▶ For MPI calls from multiple OpenMP threads, use `-mt_mpi`
- ▶ More information in the [MPI Reference Manual](#)

# MULTI-THREADING WITHIN MPI PROCESSES

```

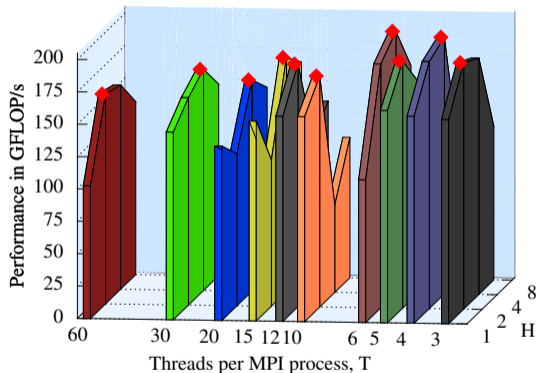
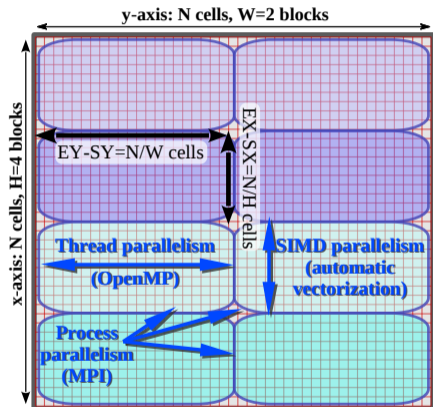
1  if(myRank == 0) { // Rank 0 has both a boss and a worker inside:
2      const int nThreads = omp_get_max_threads();  omp_set_nested(1);
3      #pragma omp parallel sections num_threads(2)
4          {
5      #pragma omp section
6          { DistributeWork(nOptions, option, mpiWorldSize); } // Boss
7      #pragma omp section
8          { omp_set_num_threads(nThreads-1); // Worker in rank 0:
9            ReceiveWork(option, payoff, myRank, optioncount); } // ...

```



# EXAMPLE OF OPENMP AND MPI INTER-OPERATION

Number of threads per process may be a tuning parameter:



Case study: [this paper](#)

**EXAMPLE: ASIAN OPTIONS, HETEROGENEOUS DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING**

# EXAMPLE: THE MONTE CARLO METHOD OF ASIAN OPTION PRICING

1) Simulate Random-Walk of Asset Price

$$dS(t) = \mu S(t)dt + \sigma S(t)dB(t)$$

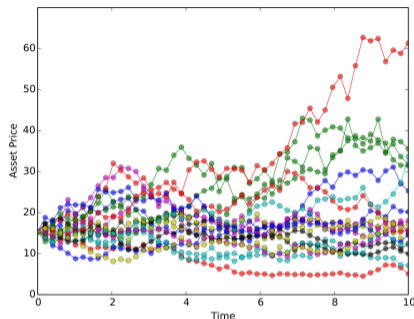
Using the Solution

$$S(t) = S(0)e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma\sqrt{t}N(0,1)}$$

2) Perform Asian Option Price Averaging

$$\langle S \rangle_{\text{arithm}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} S(t_i),$$

$$\langle S \rangle_{\text{geom}} = \exp\left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \log S(t_i)\right)$$



3) Compute Discounted Pay-off

$$P_{\text{put}} = e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}(\max\{0; K - \langle S \rangle\}),$$

$$P_{\text{call}} = e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}(\max\{0; \langle S \rangle - K\})$$

More information: [this paper](#)

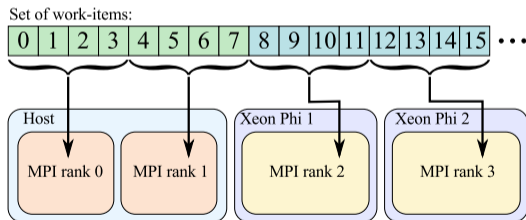


# HETEROGENEOUS CALCULATION WITHOUT LOAD BALANCING

```

1  const double optionsPerProcess = double(nOptions)/double(mpiWorldSize);
2  const int myFirstOption = int(optionsPerProcess*(myRank));
3  const int myLastOption = int(optionsPerProcess*(myRank+1));
4
5  // Static, even load distribution: assign options to ranks
6  for (int i = myFirstOption; i < myLastOption; i++)
7      ComputeOptionPayoffs(option[i], payoff[i]);

```

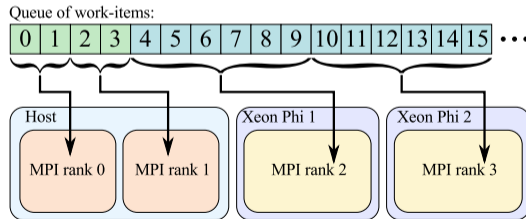


# STATIC LOAD BALANCING

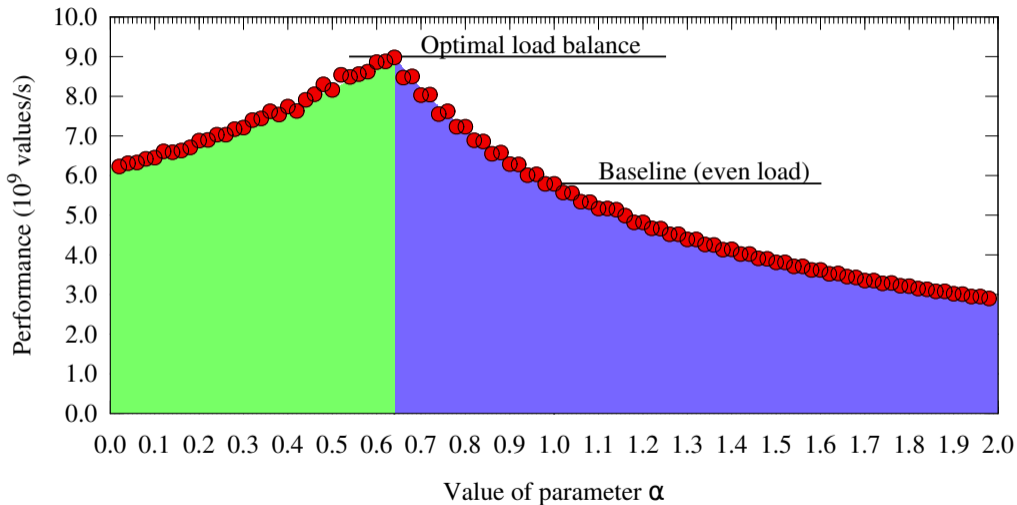
```

1  if (rankTypes[myRank] == 0) { // I am a MIC-based rank
2      double optionsPerProc = double(lastOptForCPUs)/double(cpuRanks.size());
3      myFirstOpt = int(optionsPerProc*(myGroupRank));
4      myLastOpt = int(optionsPerProc*(myGroupRank+1.0));
5  } else { // I am a CPU-based rank
6      double optionsPerProc = double(nOpts-lastOptForCPUs)/double(micRanks.size());
7      myFirstOpt=lastOptForCPUs+int(optionsPerProc*(myGroupRank));
8      myLastOpt=lastOptForCPUs+int(optionsPerProc*(myGroupRank+1.0)); }

```



# STATIC LOAD BALANCING: PARAMETER TUNING



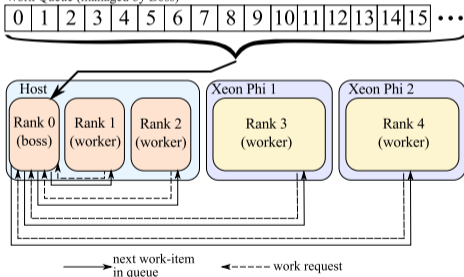
# DYNAMIC LOAD BALANCING

```

1  if (myRank == 0) // Boss's branch
2      DistributeWork(nOptions, option, mpiWorldSize);
3  else // Workers' branch
4      ReceiveWork(option, payoff, myRank);

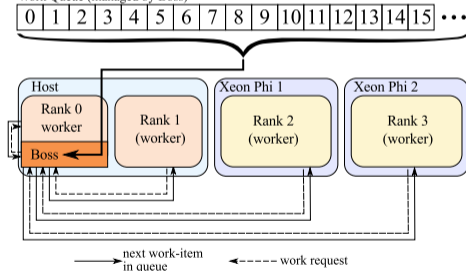
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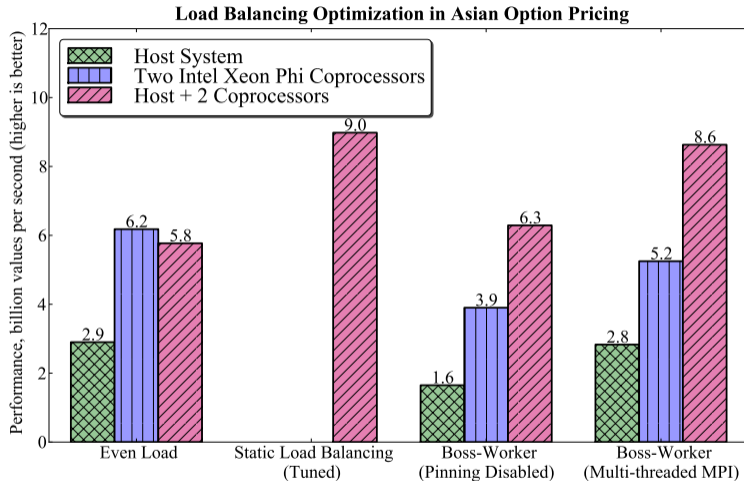


or

Work Queue (managed by Boss)



# PERFORMANCE WITH DIFFERENT SCHEDULING MODES



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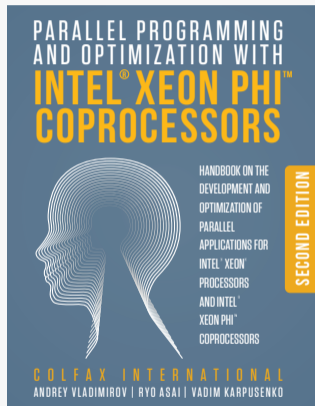
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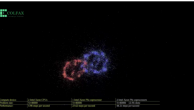
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
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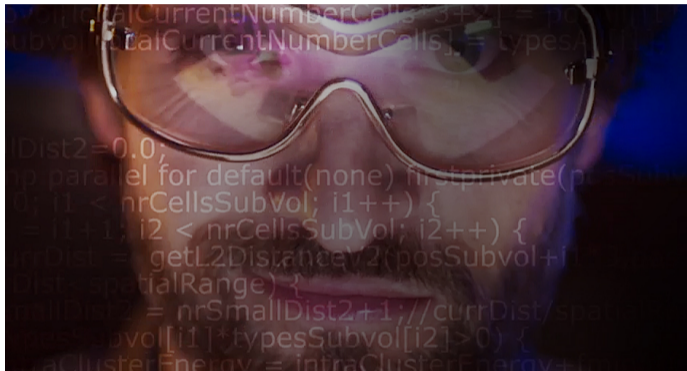


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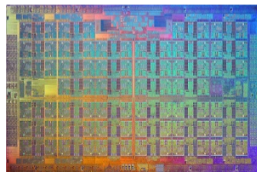
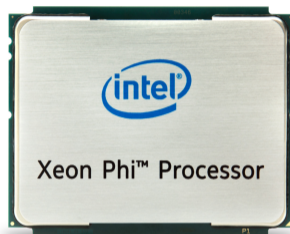
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## **§4. PREPARING FOR INTEL XEON PHI PROCESSORS**

# INTEL XEON PHI PROCESSORS (2ND GEN)

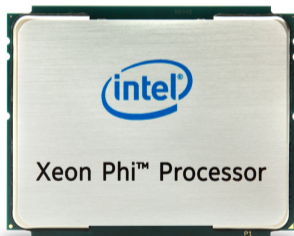
- ▶ Specialized for floating-point computing
- ▶ Highly-parallel (72 cores\*)
- ▶ Balanced for compute
- ▶ Less forgiving than Xeon
- ▶ Theor.  $\sim 3.0$  TFLOP/s in DP\*
- ▶ Meas.  $\sim 490$  GB/s bandwidth\*

\* Intel Xeon Phi processor, Knights Landing architecture (2016), top-of-the-line (e.g., 7290P)

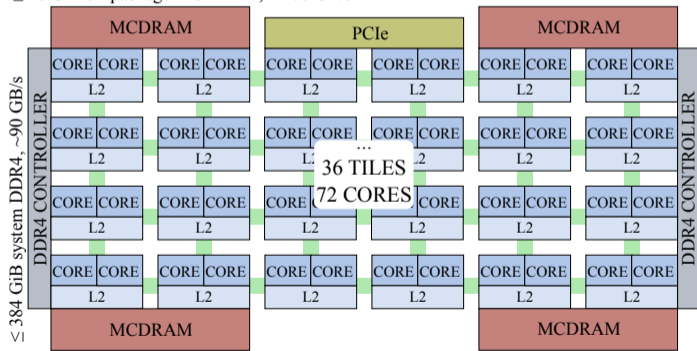


# KNL DIE ORGANIZATION

- ▶ Mesh interconnect relaxes data locality requirement [somewhat]
- ▶ All-to-all, quadrant or sub-numa domain communication in mesh

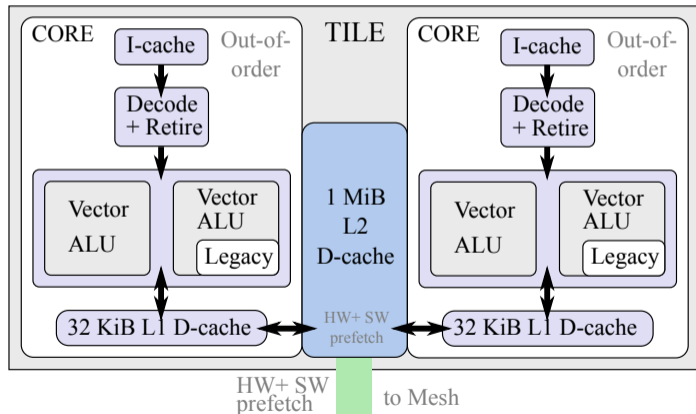
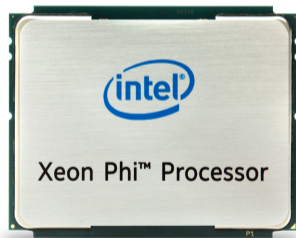


≤ 16 GiB on-package MCDRAM, ~ 400 GB/s



# KNL CORES

- ▶ Even more power in vector units
- ▶ Binary compatible with Xeon, but in legacy mode



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## **COMPILING WITH AVX-512**



# AVX-512 FEATURES

- ▶ AVX-512F (Fundamentals)
  - Extension of most AVX2 instructions to 512-bit vector registers.
- ▶ AVX-512CD (Conflict Detection)
  - Efficient conflict detection (application: binning).
- ▶ AVX-512ER (Exponential and Reciprocal)
  - Transcendental function (exp, rcp and rsqrt) support.
- ▶ AVX-512PF (Prefetch)
  - Prefetch for scatter and gather.

Learn more: [colfaxresearch.com/knl-avx512](http://colfaxresearch.com/knl-avx512)

# INTEL COMPILER SUPPORT FOR AVX-512

Intel C, C++ and Fortran compilers  $\geq$  15.0 support AVX-512

```
user@knl% icc -v
icc version 16.0.1 (gcc version 4.8.5 compatibility)
user@knl% icc -help
// ... truncated output ... //
-x<code>
    ...
    MIC-AVX512
    CORE-AVX512
    COMMON-AVX512
```

- ▶ -xMIC-AVX512 : for KNL (supports F, CD, ER, PF)
- ▶ -xCORE-AVX512 : for future Xeon (supports F, CD, DQ, BW, VL)
- ▶ -xCOMMON-AVX512 : common to KNL and Xeon (supports F, CD)

# GCC SUPPORT FOR AVX-512

GCC  $\geq$  4.9.1 supports AVX-512 instruction set.

```
1 for(int i = 0; i < n; i++)  
2   B[i] = A[i] + B[i];
```

Basic automatic vectorization support: add -m flags and -O3:

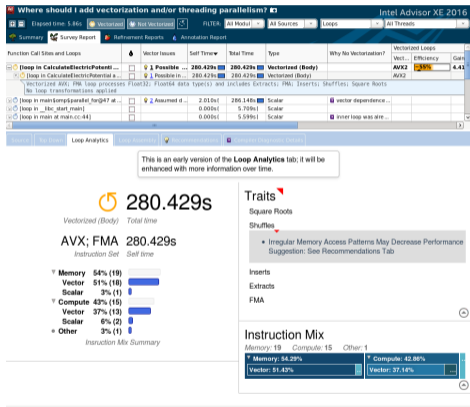
```
user@knl% g++ -v  
gcc version 4.9.2 (GCC)  
user@knl% g++ foo.cc -mavx512f -mavx512er -mavx512cd -mavx512pf -O3
```

Get assembly:

```
user@knl% g++ -s foo.cc -mavx512f -O3  
user@knl% cat foo.s  
...  
vmovapd -16432(%rbp,%rax), %zmm0  
vaddpd -8240(%rbp,%rax), %zmm0, %zmm0  
vmovapd %zmm0, -8240(%rbp,%rax)
```

# PERFORMANCE CONSIDERATIONS

Even if your code is vectorized, tuning may unlock more performance.



download paper to learn more

- ▶ Providing enough parallelism.
  - More consecutive vector operations required to overcome vectorization latency.
- ▶ Loop pipelining and unrolling.
  - Double the pipeline stages to populate.
- ▶ Better vectorization patterns.
  - Avoid long latency operations with unit-stride and unmasked operations.

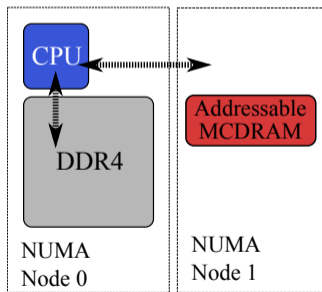


## **USING HIGH-BANDWIDTH MEMORY**

# MODES OF HBM OPERATION

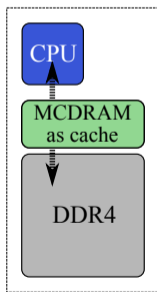
## Flat Mode

- ▶ MCDRAM treated as a NUMA node
- ▶ Users control what goes to MCDRAM



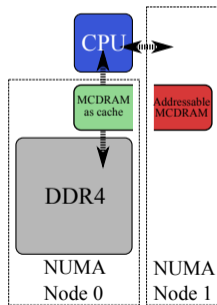
## Cache Mode

- ▶ MCDRAM treated as a Last Level Cache (LLC)
- ▶ MCDRAM is used automatically

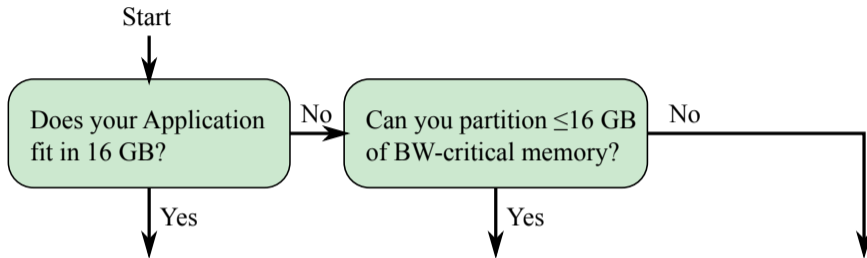


## Hybrid Mode

- ▶ Combination of Flat and Cache
- ▶ Ratio can be chosen in the BIOS



# FLOW CHART FOR BANDWIDTH-BOUND APPLICATIONS



<b>numactl</b>	<b>Memkind</b>	<b>Cache mode</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Run the whole program in HBM</li> <li>▶ No code modification</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Selectively allocate data to HBM</li> <li>▶ Add memkind calls</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Allow the chip to figure out how to use HBM</li> <li>▶ No code modification</li> </ul>

# RUNNING APPLICATIONS IN HBM WITH NUMACTL

- ▶ Finding information about the NUMA nodes in the system.

```
user@knl% # In Flat mode of MCDRAM
user@knl% numactl -H
available: 2 nodes (0-1)
node 0 cpus: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 ... 254 255
node 0 size: 98207 MB
node 0 free: 94798 MB
node 1 cpus:
node 1 size: 16384 MB
node 1 free: 15991 MB
```

- ▶ Binding the application to HBM (Flat/Hybrid)

```
user@knl% gcc myapp.c -o runme -mavx512f -O2
user@knl% numactl --membind 1 ./runme
// ... Application running in HBM ... //
```



# ALLOCATION IN HBM WITH MEMKIND LIBRARY

Manual allocation to HBM possible with hbwmalloc and Memkind Library.

```

1 #include <hbwmalloc.h>
2
3 // Basic allocation in HBM
4 double* A = (double*) hbw_malloc(sizeof(double)*n);
5
6 // Allocation with alignment
7 double* B;
8 int ret = hbw_posix_memalign((void**) &B, 64, sizeof(double)*n);
9
10 hbw_free(A); hbw_free(b); // Special deallocator
  
```

In Fortran:

```

1 REAL, ALLOCATABLE :: A(:)
2 !DEC$ ATTRIBUTES FASTMEM :: A
3 ALLOCATE (A(1:N))
  
```

# COMPILATION WITH MEMKIND LIBRARY AND HBWMALLOC

To compile C/C++ applications:

```
user@knl% icpc -lmemkind foo.cc -o runme
user@knl% g++ -lmemkind foo.cc -o runme
```

To compile Fortran applications:

```
user@knl% ifort -lmemkind foo.f90 -o runme
user@knl% gfortran -lmemkind foo.f90 -o runme
```

Open source distribution of Memkind library can be found at:

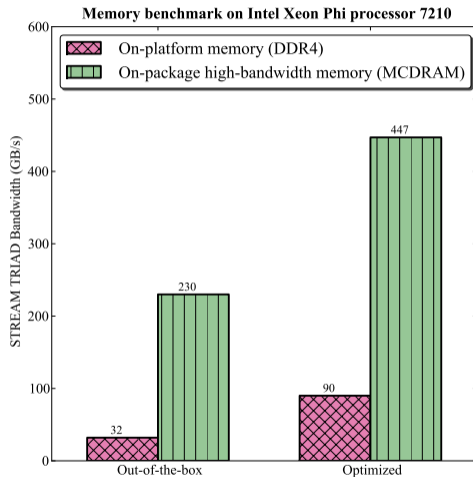
[memkind.github.io/memkind](https://memkind.github.io/memkind)

Learn more:

[colfaxresearch.com/knl-mcdram](https://colfaxresearch.com/knl-mcdram)

# STREAM BENCHMARK

- ▶ Industry-standard tool for memory bandwidth measurement
- ▶ 4 tests: COPY, ADD, SCALE and TRIAD
- ▶ Download from Dr. John McCalpin's site:  
[www.cs.virginia.edu/stream/](http://www.cs.virginia.edu/stream/)

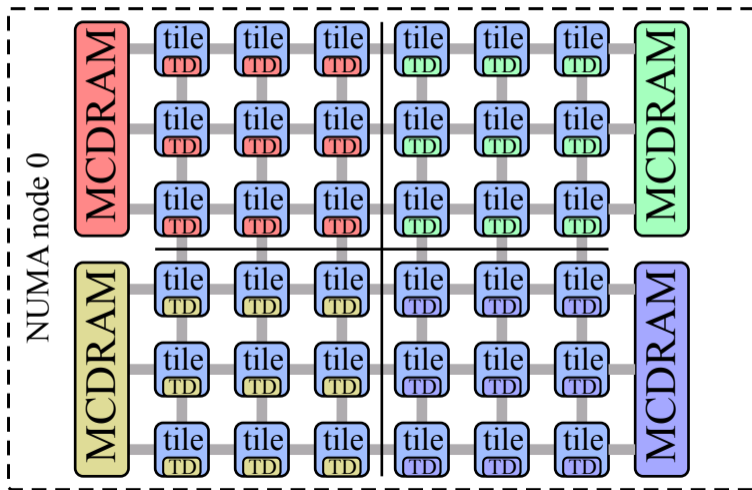




## **LEVERAGING CLUSTERING MODES**

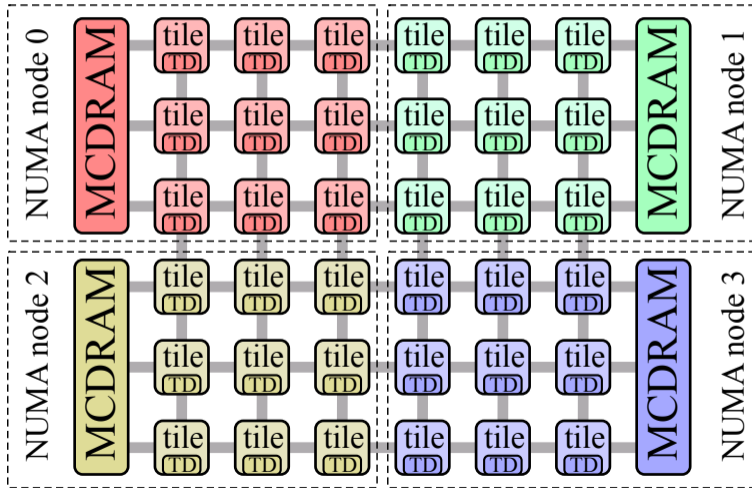
# CLUSTERING MODES: QUADRANT/HEMISPHERE

Tag Directory (TD) and memory reside in the same quadrant.



# CLUSTERING MODES: SNC-4/SNC-2

Cores appear as 4 (or 2) NUMA nodes.

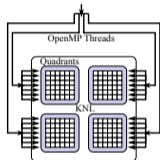


# HOW TO USE CLUSTERING MODES

## Nested OpenMP

```

1  #pragma omp parallel
2  {
3      // ...
4      #pragma omp parallel
5      {
6          // ...
7      }
8  }
```



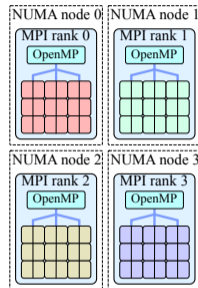
```

user@kn1% OMP_NUM_THREADS=4,72
user@kn1% OMP_NESTED=1
```

## MPI+OpenMP

```

1  stat = MPI_Init();
2  // ...
3  #pragma omp parallel
4  {
5      // ...
6  }
7  // ...
8  MPI_Finalize();
```



```

user@kn1% mpirun -host kn1 \
> -np 4 ./myparallel_app
```

Learn more: [colfaxresearch.com/knl-numa](http://colfaxresearch.com/knl-numa)



## **§5. INTEL LIBRARIES**





# **INTEL MKL: THE MAGIC PILL**

Intel<sup>®</sup> Math Kernel Library (MKL) — free standard mathematical functions optimized for Intel architecture.

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Algebra

BLAS + PBLAS  
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Summary statistics

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Algebra

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Numerical  
Analysis

Partial differential equations  
Nonlinear optimization  
Data fitting. Vector math.

Machine  
Learning

New

DNN Primitives:  
Convolution. Inner product.  
ReLU, LRNC, etc.

# MKL C/C++ CODE SAMPLES

Thread-safe, vectorized RNG.

```
1 float *matrix = (float *) malloc(sizeof(float)*N*M);
2 #pragma omp parallel
3     { VSLStreamStatePtr rnStream;
4         vslNewStream( &rnStream, VSL_BRNG_MT19937, random_seed);
5     #pragma omp for
6         for(size_t i = 0; i < N; i++)
7         vsRngUniform(VSL_RNG_METHOD_UNIFORM_STD, rnStream, M, matrix, -1.0, 1.0);
8     }
```

Optimized BLAS API.

```
1 float A[N*N], B[N*N], C[N*N];
2 cblas_dgemm(CblasRowMajor, CblasNoTrans, CblasNoTrans,
3             N, N, N, 1.0, A, N, B, N, 0.0, C, N);
```

For more, see the [MKL documentation](#)

# MKL WITH R

Install R with MKL support.

```
user@host% ./configure --with-blas="-L/opt/intel/mkl/lib/intel64 \
% -lmkl_intel_lp64 -lmkl_core -lmkl_intel_thread -lpthread -lm" \
% --with-lapack CC=icc CFLAGS="-O2 -qopenmp -I/opt/intel/mkl/include" \
% CXX=icpc CXXFLAGS="-O2 -qopenmp -I/opt/intel/mkl/include" F77=ifort \
% FFLAGS="-O2 -qopenmp -I/opt/intel/mkl/include" FC=ifort FCFLAGS="-O2 \
% -qopenmp -I/opt/intel/mkl/include" --prefix=/opt/R-3.4.0
user@host% make && make install
```

In-place upgrade: no code change required.

```
user@host% cat gemm.R
N=5000
A<-matrix(runif(N*N), N, N)
B<-matrix(runif(N*N), N, N)
C = tcrossprod(A, B)
```

# MKL\_VERBOSE

Use MKL\_VERBOSE to see the calls to MKL and overhead of the calls.

```
user@host% cat gemm.R
N=5000
A<-matrix(runif(N*N), N, N)
B<-matrix(runif(N*N), N, N)
for(i in 1:10) {
  Sys.time()->start
  C = tcrossprod(A, B)
  print(Sys.time()-start)
}
user@host% export MKL_VERBOSE=1
user@host% Rscript gemm.R
// ... //
MKL_VERBOSE DGEMM(N,T,5000,5000,5000,0x7fffc4b0fc60, ... ) 153.73ms ...
Time difference of 0.4924946 secs
MKL_VERBOSE DGEMM(N,T,5000,5000,5000,0x7fffc4b0fc60, ... ) 151.93ms ...
Time difference of 0.4966147 secs
```

# MKL WITH VARIOUS LANGUAGES

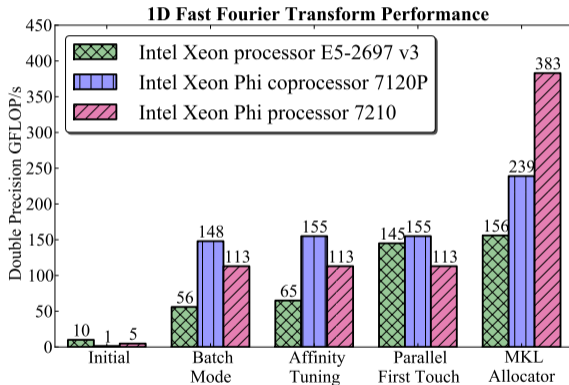
MKL is supported on various languages. For example:

- ▶ C/C++ - linked to library [Intel MKL Developer Reference for C](#)
- ▶ R - compiled in [Intel article](#).
- ▶ Fortran -linked to library [Intel MKL Developer Reference for Fortran](#)
- ▶ Python - compiled in [Intel Distribution for Python](#)
- ▶ Julia - compiled in [git repo](#) (under section "Intel compilers and Math Kernel Library (MKL)")
- ▶ Matlab - compiled in [Intel article with instructions](#)

Intel MKL download can be found at <https://software.intel.com/en-us/mkl>.

# ENVIRONMENT TUNING MAY BE NECESSARY

$2 \cdot 10^5$  FFTs of size 2048. See [HOW "KNL" for details](#).





# **INTEL DAAL: DATA ANALYTICS**



## Analysis

- Low Order Moments
- Quantile
- Correlation and Variance
- Cosine Distance Matrix
- Correlation Distance Matrix
- K-Means Clustering
- Principal Component Analysis
- Cholesky Decomposition
- Singular Value Decomposition
- QR Decomposition
- Expectation-Maximization
- Multivariate Outlier Detection
- Univariate Outlier Detection
- Association Rules
- Kernel Functions
- Quality Metrics

## Training & prediction

- Regression
  - Linear/Ridge Regression
- Classification
  - Naive Bayes Classifier
  - Boosting
  - SVM
  - Neural Networks
  - Multi-Class Classifier

Portal: [DAAL page](#). See also: [intro article](#), [CR papers](#).

# DAAL C++ CODE SAMPLE

```
1 using namespace daal;
2 using namespace daal::data_management;
3 using namespace daal::algorithms::linear_regression;
4 // Setting up the training sets.
5 services::SharedPtr<NumericTable> trnFeatures(trnFeatNumTable);
6 services::SharedPtr<NumericTable> trnResponse(trnRespNumTable);
7 // Setting up the algorithm object
8 training::Batch<> algorithm;
9 algorithm.input.set(training::data, trnFeatures);
10 algorithm.input.set(training::dependentVariables, trnResponse);
11 // Training
12 algorithm.compute();
13 // Extracting the result
14 services::SharedPtr<training::Result> trainingResult;
15 trainingResult = algorithm.getResult();
```

See [Colfax Research paper](#) for more.

# SCIKIT-LEARN WITH DAAL

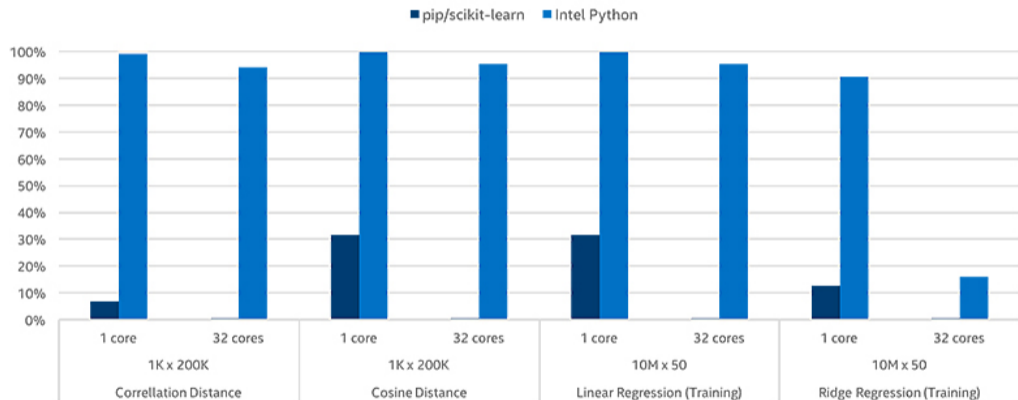
Parts of scikit-learn have been integrated with DAAL ([Intel video](#))

```
user@host% cat kmeans.py
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
from sklearn.datasets import fetch_mldata
import time
data = fetch_mldata("MNIST original").data
start = time.time()
kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=64).fit(data)
print(str(time.time()-start)+" seconds")
user@host% # default sklearn
user@host% /usr/local/python kmeans.py
1944.01453304 seconds      # 10 runs
user@host% # Intel DAAL enhanced sklearn
user@host% /opt/intel/intelpython_update_3/intelpython2/bin/python kmeans.py
5.6174788475 seconds      # 5 runs
```

Optimization of K-Means clustering: [Colfax Research Paper](#)

# SCIKIT-LEARN PERFORMANCES

Python\* Performance as a Percentage of C++ Intel® Data Analytics Acceleration Library  
(Intel® DAAL) on Intel® Xeon® Processors (Higher is Better)

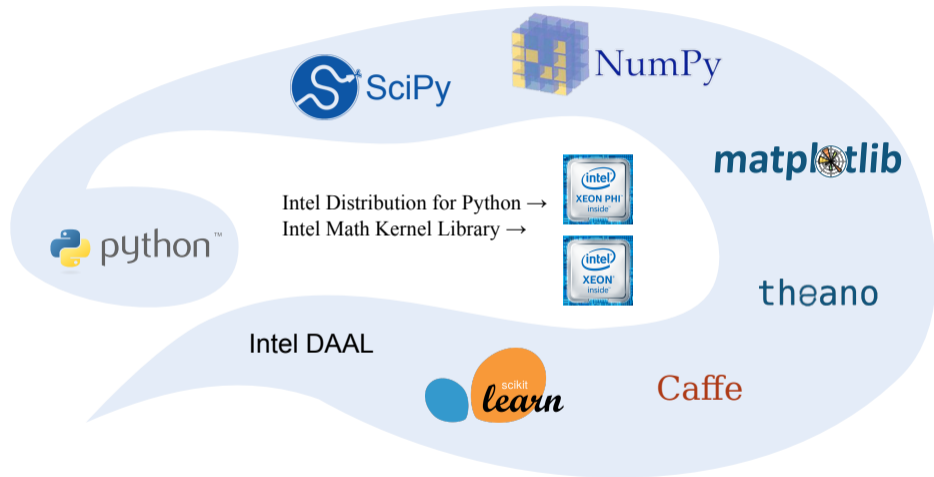


Source: [Intel DAAL features page](#)



## **§6. INTEL DISTRIBUTION FOR PYTHON**

# INTEL DISTRIBUTION FOR PYTHON



Portal: [software.intel.com/intel-distribution-for-python](https://software.intel.com/intel-distribution-for-python). See also: [CR paper](#).

# GETTING INTEL PYTHON

Intel Python can be downloaded from [Intel website](#)

```
user@host% tar xzf l_python2_pu3_2017.3.053.tgz
user@host% cd l_python2_pu3_2017.3.053
user@host% ./install.sh
// Follow on-screen instructions
user@host% export PATH=/opt/intel/intelpython27/bin:${PATH}
```

Also supported for Anaconda ([Intel article](#))

```
user@host% # Requires conda 4.1.11 and above
user@host% conda config --add channels intel      # use intel as default
user@host% conda create -n idp intelpython2_core python=2    # core only
user@host% # conda create -n idp intelpython2_full python=2  # full install
user@host% source activate idp
```

# DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION

Dimensionality Reduction – reducing number of variables with minimal loss of information.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import fetch_mldata
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
# getting data, and preprocessing
data = fetch_mldata("MNIST original").data[0:60000,:]/255
data = data - np.mean(data, axis=0)
# dimensionality reduction
print("Original data: "+str(transformed_data.shape))
pca = PCA(n_components=200).fit(data)
print(str(np.sum(pca.explained_variance_ratio_)*100)+"% of variance")
transformed_data = np.dot(data, np.transpose(pca.components_))
print("Transformed data: "+str(transformed_data.shape))
```

```
Original data: (60000, 784)
87.98% of variance
Transformed data: (60000, 200)
```



# DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION PERFORMANCE

```
t_pca_start = time.time()
pca = PCA(n_components=200).fit(data)
print("PCA :"+str(time.time()-t_pca_start)+" seconds")
# ... same for np.dot ...
```

```
user@host% numactl -m 1 python dimensionality-reduction.py
```

On Intel Xeon Phi processor 7250:

- ▶ System Python (numpy ver. 1.13.1, scikit-learn ver. 0.18.2)

```
PCA : 81.3773860931 seconds    Dot : 6.7592010498 seconds
```

- ▶ Intel Distribution for Python (2017 update 3)

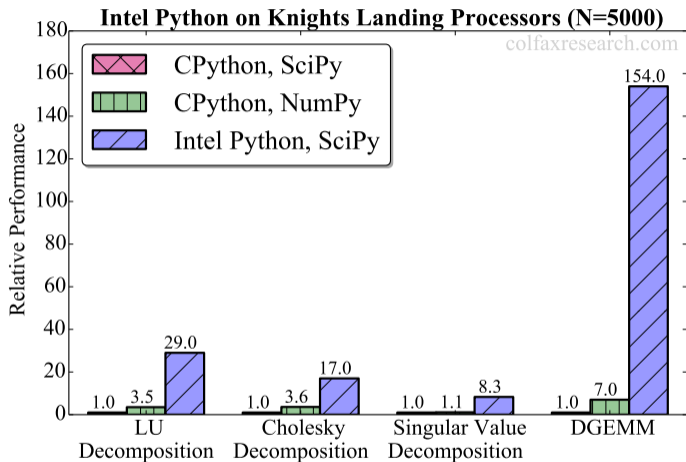
```
PCA : 5.84652495384 seconds    Dot : 0.038341999054 seconds
```

\*Similar performance for `fit_transform()`



## **HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF NUMPY AND SCIPY**

# INTEL PYTHON PERFORMANCE



Portal: [software.intel.com/intel-distribution-for-python](https://software.intel.com/intel-distribution-for-python). See also: [CR paper](#).

# DGEMM WITH SCIPY

```
import numpy as np
from numpy.random import rand as rn
from scipy.linalg.blas import dgemm as dgemm

m=5000
n=5000
k=5000

// Using column-major format with order="F"
A = np.array(np.random.rand(m, n), dtype = np.double, order="F");
B = np.array(np.random.rand(n, k), dtype = np.double, order="F");

// Scipy matrix-matrix multiplication
C=dgemm(alpha=1.0, a=A, b=B, c=C, overwrite_c=1, trans_b=1)
```

# DGEMM WITH NUMPY

```
import numpy as np
from numpy.random import rand as rn

m=5000
n=5000
k=5000

// Using row-major by default (you can also set order="C")
A = np.array(np.random.rand(m, n), dtype = np.double);
B = np.array(np.random.rand(n, k), dtype = np.double);

// Numpy matrix-matrix multiplication
C = np.dot(A, B)
```

## MISC. SCIPY WORKLOADS

```
from scipy.linalg import lu as lu;
# ... #
A = np.array(np.random.rand(k, k), dtype = np.double, order='F')
P,L,U = lu(A, permute_l=False, overwrite_a=True, check_finite=False)
```

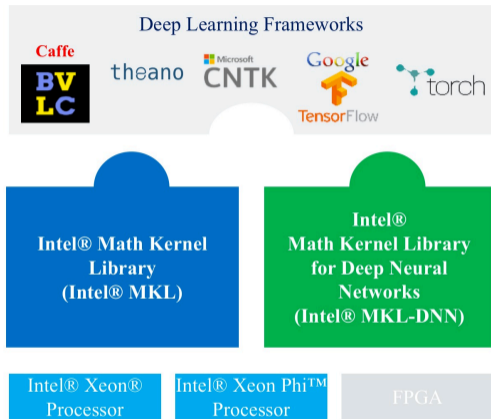
```
from scipy.linalg import cholesky as cholesky
# ... #
A = np.array(tempA, dtype=np.double, order='F')
L = cholesky(A, overwrite_a=True, check_finite=False)
```

```
from scipy.linalg import svd as svd
# ... #
A = np.array(np.random.rand(k, k), dtype = np.double, order='F');
U, s, V = svd(A)
```



## **§7. INTEL-OPTIMIZED DL FRAMEWORKS**

# INTEL MKL AND INTEL MKL-DNN



Intel® MKL	Intel® MKL-DNN
DNN primitives + wide variety of other math functions	DNN primitives
C DNN APIs (C++ future)	C/C++ DNN APIs
Binary distribution	Open source DNN code <sup>1</sup>
Free community license. Premium support available as part of Intel® Parallel Studio XE	Apache 2.0 license
Broad usage DNN primitives; not specific to individual frameworks	Multiple variants of DNN primitives as required for framework integrations
Quarterly update releases	Rapid development ahead of Intel MKL releases

<sup>1</sup> GEMM building blocks are binary.

slide credit: Intel corp.



# OPTIMIZED DEEP LEARNING FRAMEWORKS

Deep Learning frameworks that have been optimized for Intel Architectures. All are available on Colfax Cluster.

- ▶ Intel Caffe – [GitHub](#)

```
u100@c005% /opt/caffe-master
```

- ▶ Intel Theano/Keras – Github [Theano/Keras/](#)

```
import theano; import keras
```

- ▶ Intel Torch – [GitHub](#)

```
u100@c005% /opt/torch
```

- ▶ TensorFlow – [GitHub](#) (up-streamed)

```
import tensorflow
```

- ▶ Intel MXNet – [GitHub](#)

```
import mxnet
```



## **EXAMPLE: MNIST WITH TENSORFLOW**

# MNIST AND TENSORFLOW™

## MNIST database

- ▶ Handwritten digit images (28p×28p)
- ▶ Public database
- ▶ 60000 train set, 10000 test set
- ▶ LeCun et. al.



sample digits



## TensorFlow™\*

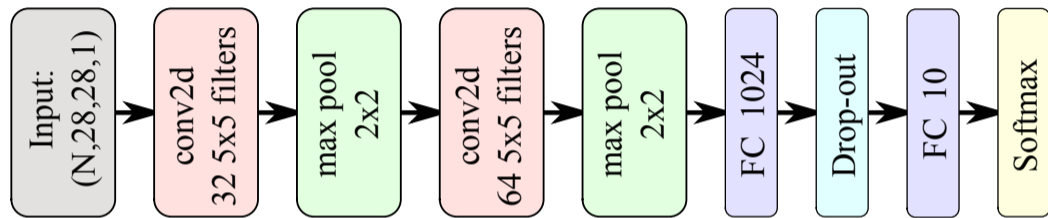
- ▶ ML framework developed by Google Inc.
- ▶ Uses data flow graphs
- ▶ Open source library
- ▶ Supports MKL DNN back-end\*\*

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\*\* Not all versions supports MKL DNN  
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# OUT-OF-BOX MNIST TENSORFLOW CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK EXAMPLE

Convolutional Neural Network from TensorFlow tutorial, [Deep MNIST for Experts](#)



Code and parameters are from the tutorial, but a few changes:

- ▶ Number of batches: 20000 → 1000
- ▶ Mini-batch size: 50 → 256
- ▶ Using `time.time()` to get the execution time

# RUNNING EXAMPLE TENSORFLOW ON COLFAX CLUSTER

Use Intel Python 2.7 Update 3 and GCC 6.3.0 by setting up `~/ .bash_profile`

```
u100@c005% cat ~/.bash_profile
> # ... at the end ...#
> export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/opt/gcc-6.3.0/lib64/:${LD_LIBRARY_PATH}
> export PATH=/opt/gcc-6.3.0/bin/:${PATH}
> export PATH=/opt/intel/intelpython_update_2/intelpython2/bin/:${PATH}
```

Inside the job script:

```
numactl -m 1 python mnist_deep.py --data_dir=/opt/data/MNIST
```

Out-of-the-box result (Intel Xeon Phi processor 7210):

```
step 100, accuracy= 0.875
// .... //
step 900, accuracy= 0.957031
Completed in 2498.61 seconds
Test accuracy = 0.9764
```

# NHWC VS NCHW

By default TensorFlow uses **NHWC** (batch, height, width, channel) tensors.

**MKL DNN prefers NCHW** (batch, channel, height, width)

- ▶ Use NCHW for `tf.reshape()`

```
# NCHW (batch, channel, height, width)
tf.reshape(x, [-1,1,28,28])
```

- ▶ Specify `data_format='NCHW'` to change strides for conv and pool layers

```
# Using NCHW strides
tf.nn.conv2d( ... , strides=[1,1,1,1], data_format='NCHW')
tf.nn.max_pool( ... , ksize=[1,1,2,2], strides=[1,1,2,2], data_format='NCHW')
```

- ▶ The `+` operator uses NHWC by default, so instead use the `tf.nn.bias_add`

```
tf.nn.relu(tf.nn.bias_add(conv(h_pool1, w_conv2), b_conv2, data_format='NCHW'))
```

- ▶ No need to change weights or bias, or fully connected layers

# ENVIRONMENT TUNING

Tuning parameters for OpenMP can improve performance.

- ▶ Method 1: inside the job script

```
export KMP_BLOCKTIME=1
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=32
export KMP_AFFINITY=granularity=fine,compact,1,0
```

- ▶ Method 2: inside the python script

```
os.environ["KMP_BLOCKTIME"] = "1"
os.environ["OMP_NUM_THREADS"] = "32"
os.environ["KMP_AFFINITY"] = "granularity=fine,compact,1,0"
```

- ▶ **KMP\_BLOCKTIME** – time in ms that threads stay active after parallel regions
- ▶ **OMP\_NUM\_THREADS** – number of threads that OpenMP uses
- ▶ **KMP\_AFFINITY** – controlling mapping from software threads to physical cores

# TUNED PERFORMANCE

The same training runs approximately **37x** faster on Xeon Phi processor 7210.

```
# NCHW tensor data format
# KMP_BLOCKTIME=1
# KMP_AFFINITY=granularity=fine,compact,1,0
# OMP_NUM_THREADS=32
# using MCDRAM with "numactl -m 1"
step 100, accuracy= 0.878906
// ... //
step 900, accuracy= 0.972656
Completed in 67.7578 seconds
Test accuracy = 0.9757
```

## Conclusion

Use proper data format and tune environment variables when using ML libraries

For more, see the [Intel article](#)



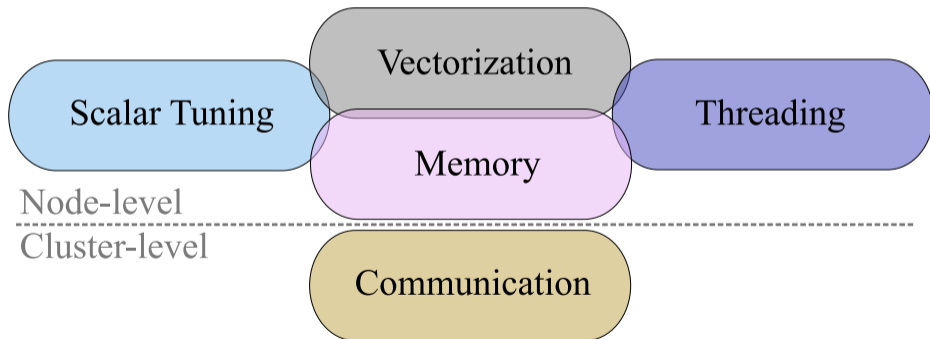


## **§8. CLOSING WORDS**

# CODE MODERNIZATION

## Code Modernization

Optimizing software to better utilize features available in modern computer architectures.





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