

## CAPS Mission and Offer



### Mission

Help you break the parallel wall and  
harness the power of manycore computing

- **Software programming tools**

- CAPS Manycore Compilers
- CAPS Workbench: set of development tools



- **CAPS engineering services**

- Recommend machine configurations
- Diagnose application parallelism
- Port applications to manycore systems
- Fine tune parallel applications

- **Training sessions**

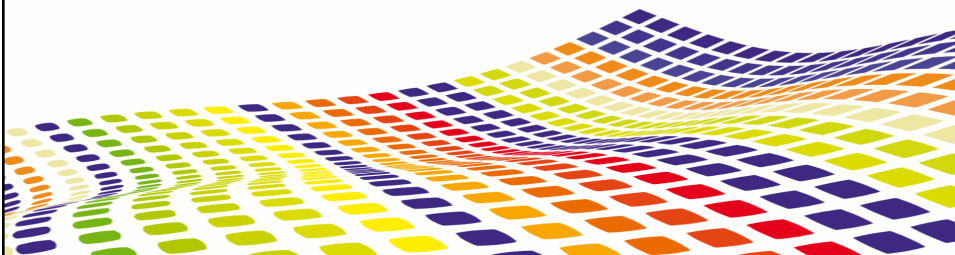
- OpenACC, CUDA, OpenCL, ...

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About 30 employees

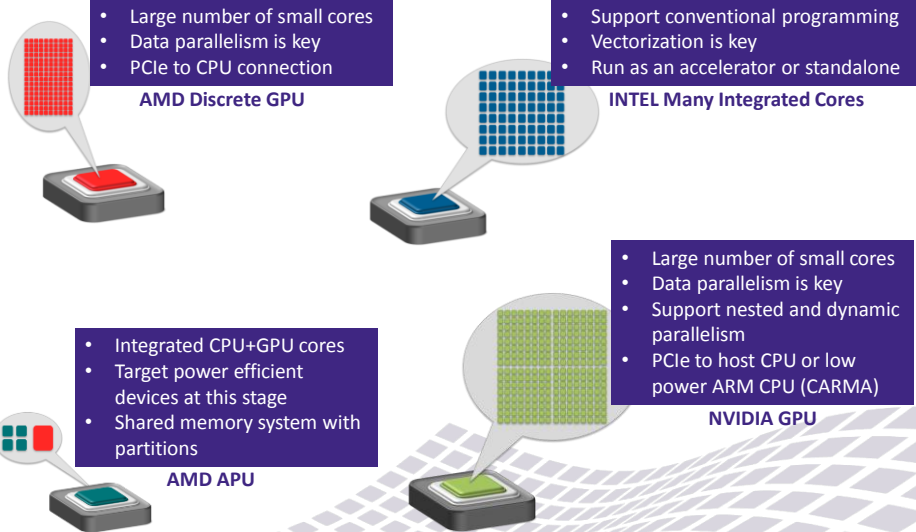
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## Many-Core Technology Insights



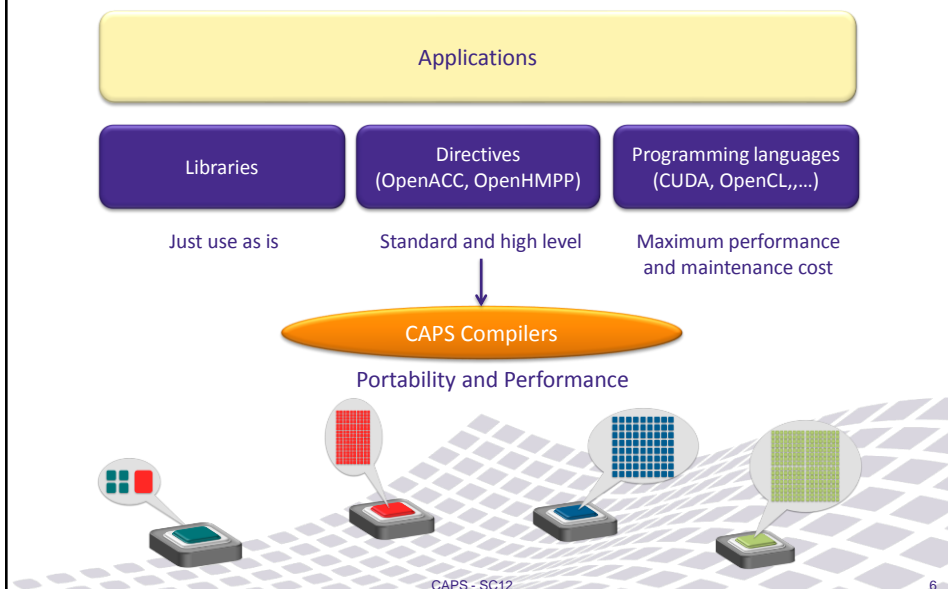
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## Many-core Programming Models



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## Nvidia Architecture Overview GT200 / GF100 / GK110



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## Directive-based Programming



- Consortium created last year by CAPS, CRAY, NVIDIA and PGI
  - New members in 2012: Alinea, Georgia Tech, ORNL, TU-Dresden, University of Houston, Rogue Wave
  - Momentum with broad adoption
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> specification to be announced
- Created by CAPS in 2007 and adopted by PathScale
  - Advanced features
    - Multi devices
    - Native and accelerated libraries with directives and proxy
    - Tuning directives for loop optimizations, use of device features, ...
    - Ground for innovation in CAPS
  - Interoperate with OpenACC
- First technical report proposing directives for accelerators
  - Not a specification yet
  - Aim is to get early feedback



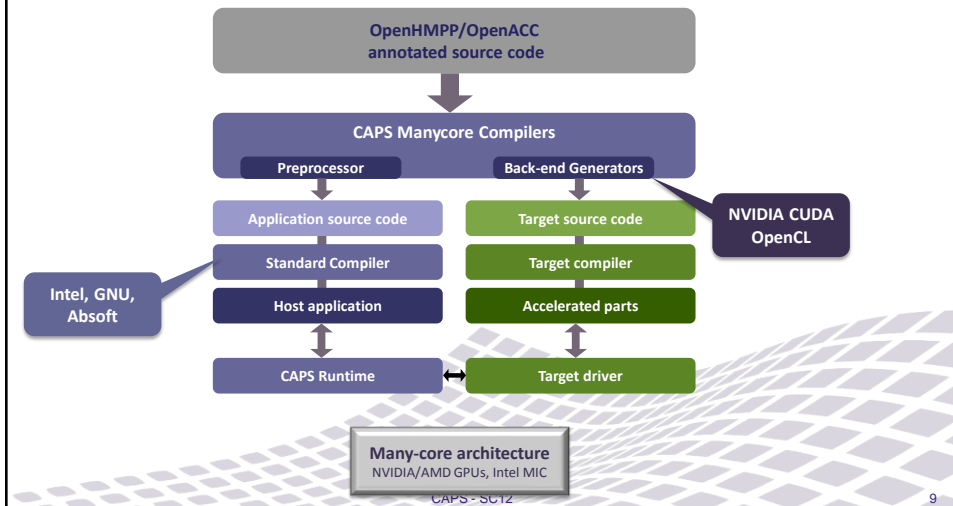
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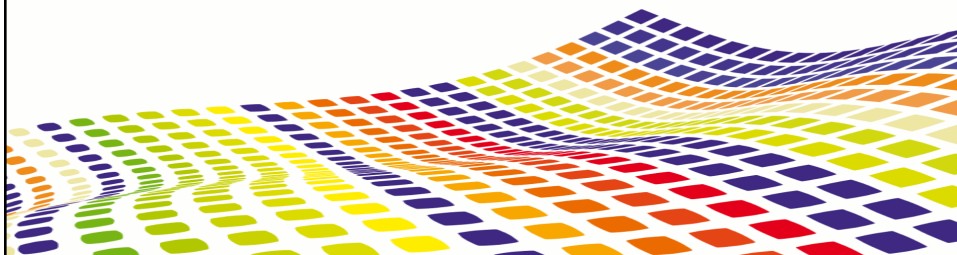
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- Source to source compilers
  - Use your preferred native x86 and hardware vendor compilers



## OpenACC and OpenHMPP Directive-based Programming



## Directive-based Approaches



- Supplement an existing serial language with directives to express parallelism and data management
  - Preserves code basis (e.g. C, Fortran) and serial semantic
  - Competitive with code written in the device dialect (e.g. CUDA)
  - Incremental approach to many-core programming
  - Mainly targets legacy codes

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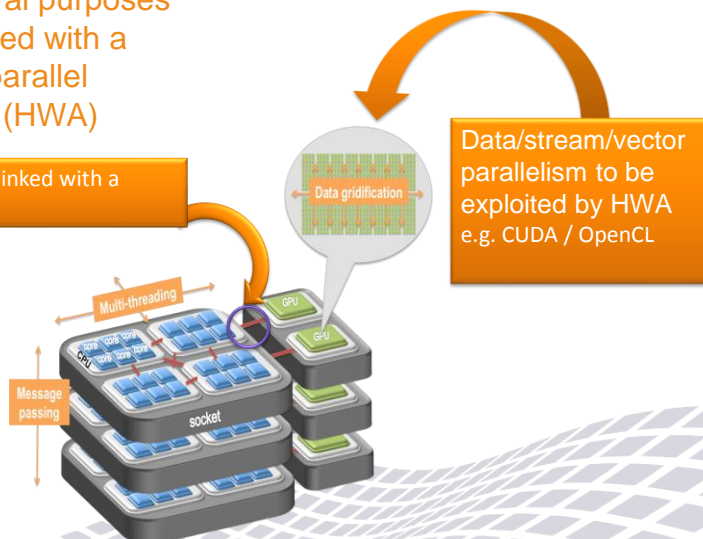
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## Heterogeneous Many-Cores



- Many general purposes cores coupled with a massively parallel accelerator (HWA)

CPU and HWA linked with a PCIx bus



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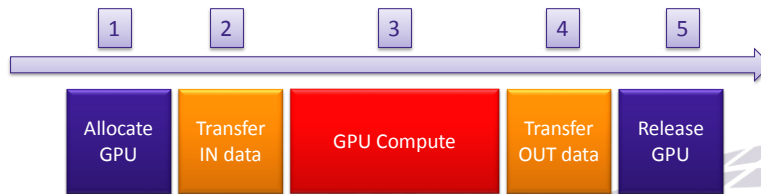
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## Remote Procedure Call Basic Operations



- A RPC sequence consists in 5 basic steps:

- (1) Allocate the HWA and the memory
- (2) Transfer the input data: CPU => HWA
- (3) Compute
- (4) Transfer the output data: CPU <= HWA
- (5) Release the HWA and the memory



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## How Does Directive Based Approaches Differ from CUDA or OpenCL?



- OpenHMPP/OpenACC parallel programming model is **parallel loop centric**
- CUDA and OpenCL parallel programming models are **thread centric**

```
void saxpy(int n, float alpha,
          float *x, float *y){
  #pragma acc kernels loop independent
  for(int i = 0; i<n; ++i)
    y[i] = alpha*x[i] + y[i];
}
```

```
__global__
void saxpy_cuda(int n,
                float alpha,
                float *x,
                float *y) {
  int i = blockIdx.x*blockDim.x
          +threadIdx.x;
  if(i<n)
    y[i] = alpha*x[i]+y[i];
}

int nblocks = (n + 255)/256;
saxpy_cuda <<<nblocks,256>>>
( n, 2.0, x, y);
```

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## Two Styles of Directives in CAPS Compilers

- Functions based, i.e. codelet (OpenHMPP)
- Code regions based (OpenACC)

```
#pragma hmpp myfunc codelet, ...
void saxpy(int n, float alpha, float x[n], float
y[n]){
    for(int i = 0; i<n; ++i)
        y[i] = alpha*x[i] + y[i];
}
```

```
#pragma acc kernels ...
{
    for(int i = 0; i<n; ++i)
        y[i] = alpha*x[i] + y[i];
}
```

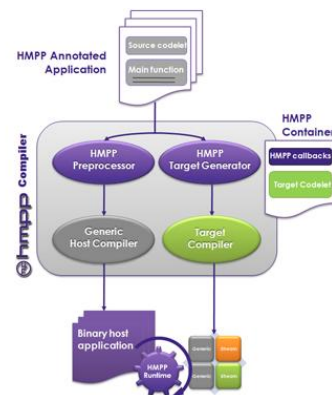
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## Compiling with CAPS Compilers

- CAPS Compilers drives all compilation passes
  - Host application compilation
    - CAPS Runtime is linked to the host part of the application
  - HWA code production
    - Target code is produced
    - A dynamic library is built



```
$ capsmc gcc myProgram.c
```

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# OpenHMPP

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## OpenHMPP directives concepts

- OpenHMPP identifies codelets functions
  - Corresponds to hotspots of the application that can be accelerated
  - A codelet function has to be **insulated** and **offloaded** on the remote hardware accelerator
- OpenHMPP provides the user with codelet control
  - Choose when/how you want to allocate/release the hardware
  - Choose when/how you want to launch the computations (ie: codelets)
  - Choose when/how you want to start data transfers

## Codelet Basic Concepts



- Pure function calls are offloaded on the accelerator
  - These functions must fit some common constraints
    - No I/O on data
    - No access to global/volatile variables
    - Fixed number of arguments
- Controlled by directives
  - Pragma in C
  - Special comments in Fortran
- A unique label associates a set of directives

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## General Syntax of the Directives



- In C, a single line OpenHMPP directive is:

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel command [, attribute]
```

- In FORTRAN, any form of comment (F77, F90,...) starting with \$hmpp

```
!$hmpp myLabel command [, attribute]
```

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## General Syntax of the Directives



- Directives are either standalone or precede the statement they are related to
- Directive comments cannot end a statement line
- The following Fortran comment is not a valid OpenHMPP directive

```
PRINT *, "Hello" !$hmp myLabel command
```

- Directives are case-insensitive

## CODELET/CALLSITE



- Two essential OpenHMPP directives
  - **CODELET**
    - Identify the native function to offload on a specific target
    - Order HMPP Codelet Generators to produce target code
  - **CALLSITE**
    - Explicit a call to this specialized function in the application

## CODELET/CALLSITE example



### C

```
#pragma hmp myCall codelet, ...
void myFunc( int n, int A[n], int B[n])
{
    int i;
    for (i=0 ; i<n ; ++i)
        B[i] = A[i] + 1;
}

void main(void)
{
    int X[10000], Y[10000], Z[10000];
    ...
    #pragma hmp myCall callsite
    myFunc(10000, X, Y);
    ...
    myFunc(1000, Y, Z);
    ...
}
```

### FORTRAN

```
!$hmp myCall codelet, ...
SUBROUTINE myFunc(n,A,B)
    INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: n, A(n)
    INTEGER, INTENT(OUT) :: B(n)
    INTEGER :: i
    DO i=1,n
        B(i) = A(i) + 1
    ENDDO
END SUBROUTINE

PROGRAM test
    INTEGER :: X(10000), Y(10000),
    Z(10000)
    ...
    !$hmp myCall callsite
    CALL myFunc(10000,X,Y)
    ...
    CALL myFunc(10000,Y,Z)
    ...
END PROGRAM
```

## Ground Rules



- An OpenHMP program contains at least a pair of **CODELET/CALLSITE** directives
  - A CODELET is a specialization of a subroutine
  - A CALLSITE is the specialization of a call statement
- Each **CODELET** may correspond to multiple **CALLSITE**
  - But each **CALLSITE** belongs to a single **CODELET**
- A **CALLSITE** is identified by a unique label

## Codelet Directive: the TARGET Attribute



- The target attribute tells CAPS Compilers for which HWA the specialized version must be generated:

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel codelet, target=CUDA
```

- CAPS Compilers can address several HWAs:
  - CUDA
  - OpenCL

## Referencing Arguments in the Directives



- OpenHMPP directives are always related to a subroutine, whose arguments can be referenced by:
  - their codelet name

```
args[x;y;z]
```

- their numeric rank starting from 0

```
args[0;4;5;6]
```

- intervals of their ranks

```
args[0-2;3-6]
```

- a combination of the previous methods

```
args[x;y;4-6]
```

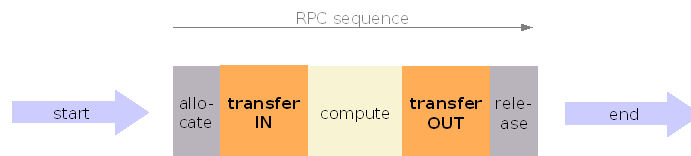
- The wildcard can also be used to select all the codelet arguments

```
args[*]
```

## CODELET Directive: the IO Attribute (1)



- Attached to the CODELET directive and used by CALLSITE to realize the right steps in the RPC sequence
- This attribute allows to specify if an argument is
  - IN for an input (data needed on the HWA)
  - OUT for an output (result to be sent back from the HWA)
  - INOUT for both
- In the RPC sequence
  - IN and INOUT arguments are transferred in step (2)
  - OUT and INOUT arguments are transferred in step (4)



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## IO Default Rules



- In C
  - scalars and const arrays or pointers are IN
  - Non-const arrays or pointers are INOUT
- In Fortran
  - use INOUT by default
  - Or follow the Fortran INTENT() specification

```
#pragma hmpp myFunc codelet, args[1,2].io=in, args[C].io=out
void myFunc( int n, int A[n], int B[n], int C[n]) {
    for(int i=0; i < n; i++)
        C[i] = A[i]+B[i];
}

int main()
{
    ...
    #pragma hmpp myFunc callsite
    myFunc(100,X,Y,Z) ;
    ...
}
```

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## Basic Transfer Policy



- OpenHMPP has different transfer policies in order incrementally port the application
  - Use the TRANSFER attribute to specify the policy of your arguments
  - ATCALL transfer policy is the simplest: the arguments will be transferred automatically at every callsite

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel codelet, args[*].transfer=atcall, &
#pragma hmpp      &      target=CUDA
void myFunc( int n, float a, float b, float v[n])
{
    for( int i=0 ; i<n ; ++i)
        v[i] = v[i] * a + b;
}
```

## CAPS Runtime Fallback Mode

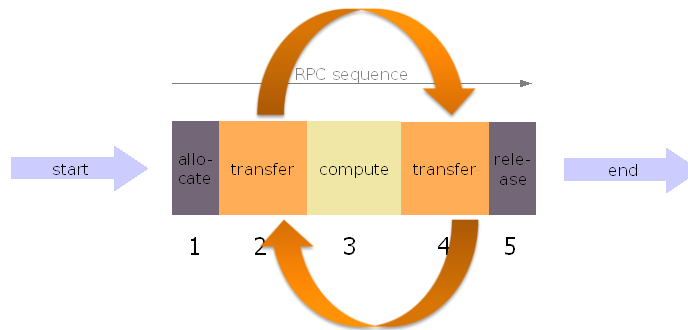


- With OpenHMPP, what happens if
  - The hardware accelerator is unavailable?
  - A data allocation fails?
  - A data transfer fails?
  - The computation raises an error?
- ➔ The native CPU version is used as a fallback
  - This behavior can be inhibited with HMPRT\_NO\_FALLBACK different than 0

## Reminder



- A standalone CALLSITE directive implements the whole RPC sequence



- With ATCALL transfer policy, if you iterate on callsite all data are transferred at each call to the callsite

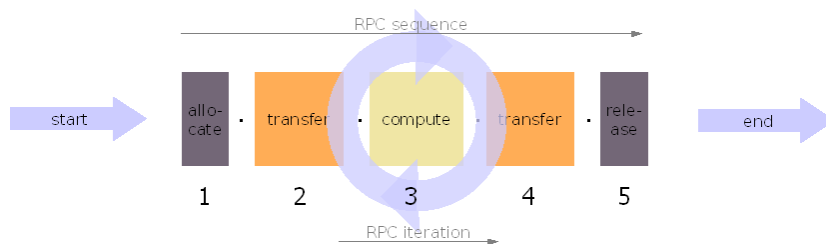
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## Splitting the RPC sequence



- To optimize HWA usage according to your application algorithm, this RPC sequence can be split



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## ALLOCATE directive



- Step #1 in RPC sequence
- Allocate memory **for all** codelet arguments, by default

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel allocate
```

- Possible to also allocate only specified arguments
  - This will only allocate a, b and c for mylabel

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel allocate, args[a;b;c]
```

- SIZE attribute enables to specify the size of the arrays to allocate

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel allocate, args[A], size={512,512}
```

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## FREE Directive



- Step #5 in RPC sequence
- Free memory **for all** codelet arguments, by default

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel free
```

- Possible to also free only specified arguments

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel free, args[a;b;c]
```

- This will only free a, b and c for mylabel

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## Manual Transfer Policy



- To improve the transfer performance
  - Manually manage data transfers to transfer data from/to the GPU only when the application needs it

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel codelet, target=CUDA, &
#pragma hmpp & args[0].transfer=atcall, &
#pragma hmpp & args[1-3].transfer>manual
```

- ADVANCEDLOAD directives enables to upload data to the GPU
- DELEGATEDSTORE directives enables to download data from the GPU

## ADVANCEDLOAD directive (1)



- Step #2 in RPC sequence
- Transfer arguments from CPU to HWA

```
#pragma hmpp myLabel advancedload, args[...]
!$hmpp myLabel advancedload, args[...]
```

- The standalone attribute ARGS specifies the arguments to be transferred
- The HOSTDATA attribute enable to specify the name of the data on the host

```
#pragma hmpp label advancedload, args[buffer_A], hostdata="host_A"
```

## The DELEGATEDSTORE directive



- Step #4 in RPC sequence
- Transfer arguments from HWA to CPU

```
#pragma hmpp label delegatedstore, args[...]
```

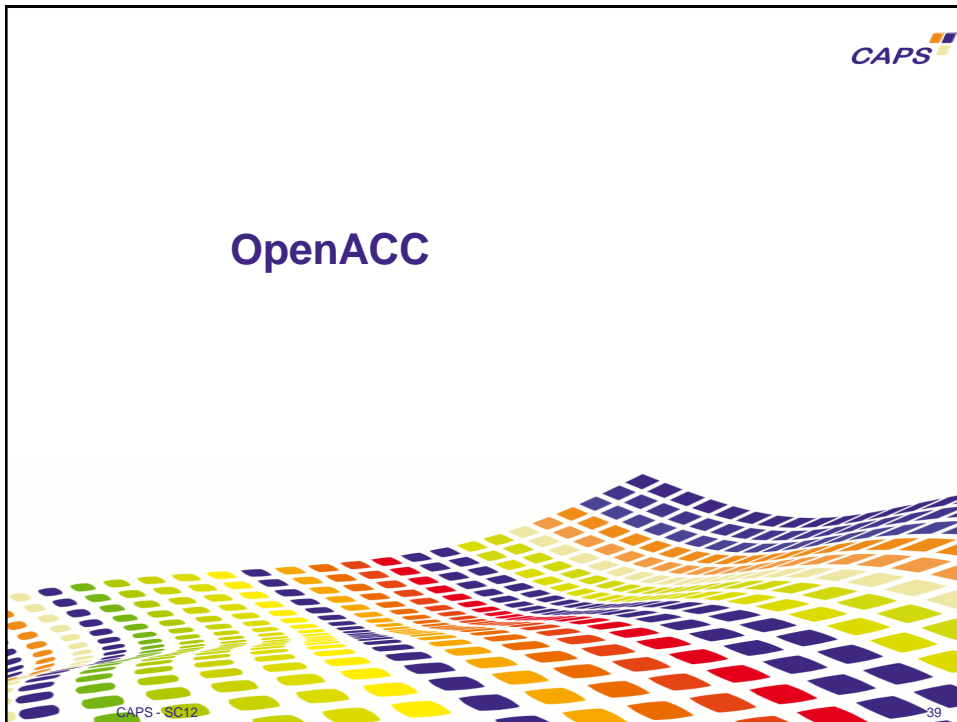
- The HOSTDATA attribute can also be used

## Manual Transfer Policy Example




```
void work(int n, float *alpha, float *X, float *Y, float *Z)
{
    int i,j ;
    #pragma hmpp advancedload, args[A,B,C], &
    #pragma hmpp & args[A].hostdata="X", &
    #pragma hmpp & args[A].hostdata="Y", &
    #pragma hmpp & args[A].hostdata="Z"
    for (j=1;j<n;j++)
    {
        #pragma hmpp toto callsite
        fun(n,X,Y,Z) ;
        if (j % 10 == 0) {
            for (i=0;i<n;i++) {
                X[i] += alpha ;
            }
            #pragma hmpp advancedload, args[A]
        }
        #pragma hmpp advancedload, args[C]
    }
    return ;
}
```


```
#pragma hmpp toto codelet, target=CUDA, &
#pragma hmpp & args[A,B,C].transfer=manual,&
#pragma hmpp & args[n].transfer=atcall
void
fun(int n, float A[n], float B[n], float C[n])
{
    for (int i=0;i<n;i++)
        C[i] = C[i] + A[i]*B[i] ;
}
```



## Execution Model



- Among a bulk of computations executed by the CPU, some regions can be offloaded to hardware accelerators
- OpenACC defines parallel regions to be executed by the accelerator:
  - Use work-sharing directives
  - Specify level of parallelization
- Host is responsible for:
  - Allocating memory space on accelerator
  - Initiating data transfers
  - Launching computations
  - Waiting for completion
  - Deallocating memory space

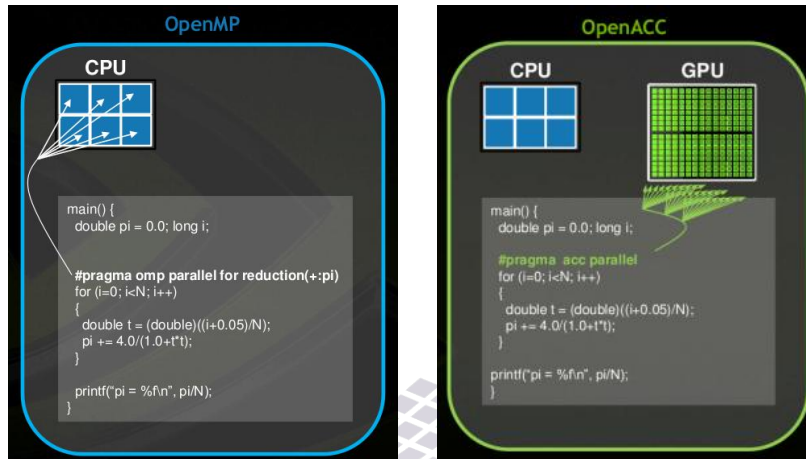


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## OpenACC Programming Overview



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## OpenACC Execution Model



- Host-controlled execution
- Based on three parallelism levels
  - Gangs – coarse grain
  - Workers – fine grain
  - Vectors – finest grain

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## Directive Syntax



- C

```
#pragma acc directive-name [clause [, clause] ...]
{
    code to offload
}
```

- Fortran

```
!$acc directive-name [clause [, clause] ...]
    code to offload
!$acc end directive-name
```

## Work Management: Parallel Construct



- Starts parallel execution on the accelerator
- Creates gangs and workers
- The number of gangs and workers remains constant for the parallel region
- One worker in each gang begins executing the code in the region

```
#pragma acc parallel [...]
{
    ...
    for(i=0; i < n; i++) {
        for(j=0; j < n; j++) {
            ...
        }
    }
    ...
}
```

Code executed on the hardware accelerator

## Parallel Construct: Gangs and Workers



- The clauses:
  - *num\_gangs*
  - *num\_workers*
  - *vector\_length*

Enables to specify the number of gangs and workers in the corresponding *parallel* section

```
#pragma acc parallel, num_gangs[32], num_workers[256]
{
  ...
  for(i=0; i < n; i++) {
    for(j=0; j < n; j++) {
      ...
    }
  }
  ...
}
```

Work distribution over 32 gangs and 256 workers

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## Work Management: Kernels Construct



- Kernels construct
  - Defines a region of code to be compiled into a sequence of accelerator kernels
    - Typically, each loop nest will be a distinct kernel
  - The number of gangs and workers can be different for each kernel

```
#pragma acc kernels [...]
{
  for(i=0; i < n; i++) {
    ...
  }
  ...
  for(j=0; j < n; j++) {
    ...
  }
}
```

```
$!acc kernels [...]
  DO i=1,n
  ...
END DO
  ...
  DO j=1,n
  ...
END DO
$!acc end kernels
```

1st Kernel

2nd Kernel

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## If Clause



- Available on *parallel* and *kernels* constructs
- The compiler generates two copies:
  - One to be executed on the host
  - One to be executed on the accelerator
- When clause evaluation corresponds to:
  - Zero in C or C++ or `.false.` in Fortran, the host copy is executed
  - Nonzero in C or C++ or `.true.` in Fortran, the accelerator copy is executed

```
#pragma acc kernels if(cond)
{
    for(i=0; i < n; i++) {
        ...
    }
    ...
}
```

```
$!acc kernels if(cond)

    DO i=1,n
        ...
    END DO
    ...
$!acc end kernels
```

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## Kernel Optimization: Loop Construct



- *Loop* directive applies to a loop that immediately follow the directive
- Describes what kind of parallelism to use

```
#pragma acc loop [...]
for(i=0; i<n; i++)
{
    ...
}
```

```
$!acc loop [...]
DO i=1,n
    ...
END DO
```

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## Sequential Execution



- The *seq* clause specifies that the associated loop should be executed sequentially
- This is the default behavior in a *parallel* region

```
A[0] = 0;
#pragma acc loop seq
for(i=1; i<n; i++)
{
    A[i] = A[i-1];
}
```

```
A(1) = 0
$!acc loop seq
DO i=2,n
    A(i) = A(i-1)
END DO
```

## Data Independence



- The clause *independent* specifies that iterations of the loop are data-independent
- Allowed on loop directives in kernels regions
- Allows the compiler to generate code to execute the iterations in parallel with no synchronisation

```
A[0] = 0;
#pragma acc loop independent
for(i=1; i<n; i++)
{
    A[i] = A[i]-1;
}
```

```
A(1) = 0
$!acc loop independent
DO i=2,n
    A(i) = A(i-1)
END DO
```

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## Gangs



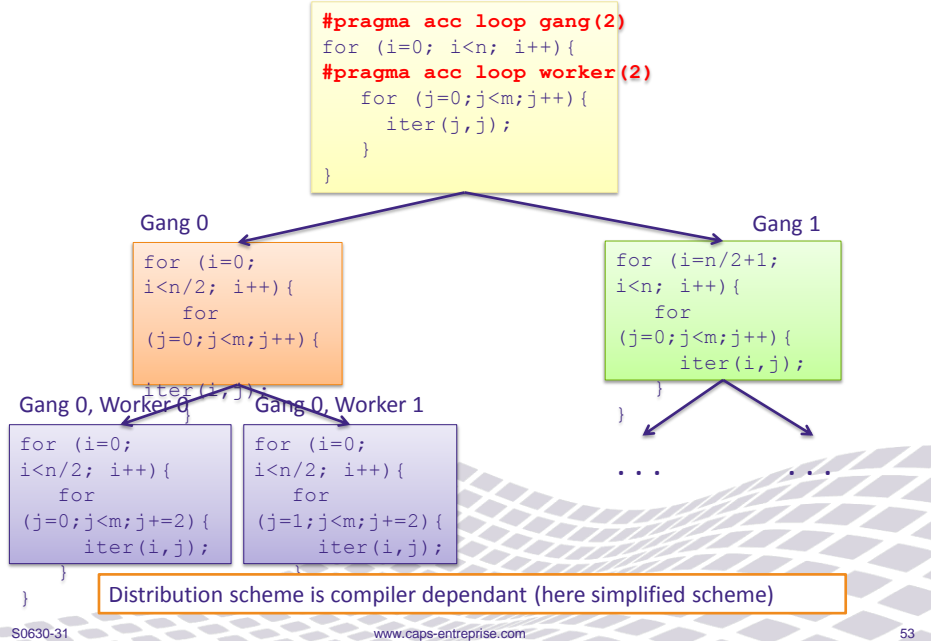
- *Gang* clause:
  - The iterations of the following loop are executed in parallel
  - In a parallel construct:
    - Iterations are distributed among the gangs created by the *parallel* construct
    - No argument is allowed
  - In a kernels construct
    - Iterations are distributed among the gangs created by the kernel created by a loop
    - An argument can specify the number of gangs to use for this loop

## Workers



- *Worker* clause:
  - The iterations of the following loop are executed in parallel
  - In a parallel construct:
    - Iterations are distributed among the multiple workers withing a single gang
    - No argument is allowed
    - Loop iterations must be data independent, unless it performs a reduction operation
  - In a kernels construct:
    - Iterations are distributed among the workers within the gangs created by the kernel within a loop
    - An argument can specify the number of workers to use for this loop

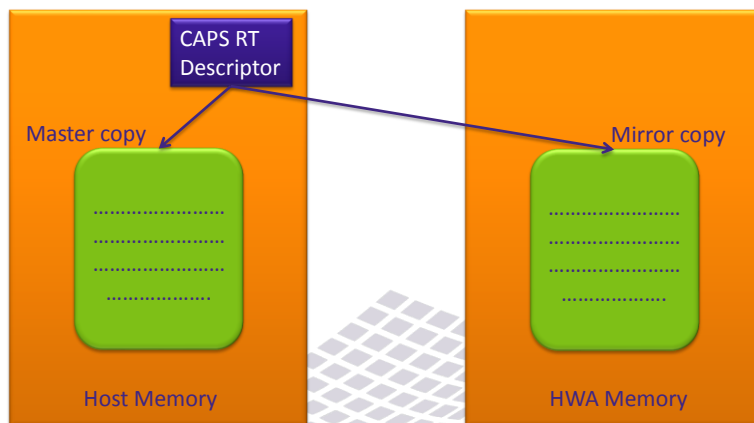
## Iterations Mapping



## Data Storage



- **Mirroring duplicates a CPU memory block into the HWA memory**
  - Mirror identifier is a CPU memory block address
  - Only one mirror per CPU block
  - Users ensure consistency of copies via directives



## Data Management: Data Constructs



- Defines scalars, arrays and subarrays to be allocated on the device memory for the duration of the region
  - Data can be copied from the host to the device when entering region
  - Data can be copied from the device to the host when exiting region
- *if* clause can be used

```
#pragma acc data [...]
{
  ...
  #pragma acc kernels
  for(i=0; i < n; i++) {
    for(j=0; j < n; j++) {
      ...
    }
  }
  ...
}
```

Data constructs define data behavior for the duration of the code region

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## Data Allocation: Create Clause



- Declares variable, arrays or subarrays to be allocated in the device memory
- No data specified in this clause will be copied between host and device

```
INTEGER::d_val;
```

```
!$acc data, create (d_val)
```

Allocation of val on the device

```
...
```

```
!$acc kernels
```

```
d_val = 1;
```

```
...
```

```
!$acc end kernels
```

```
...
```

```
!$acc kernels
```

```
d_val = 5;
```

```
...
```

```
!$acc end kernels
```

```
!$acc end data
```

Deallocation of val on the device

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## Subarrays



- In C and C++, specified with start and length

```
a[2:n]
```

ie: elements  $a[2]$ ,  $a[3]$ , ...,  $a[2+n-1]$

- If the lower bound is missing, zero is used
- If the length is missing, the difference between the lower bound and the declared size of the array is used

- In Fortran, specified with a list of range specifications

```
a(1:3,5:6)
```

ie: elements  $a(1,5)$ ,  $a(2,5)$ ,  $a(3,5)$ ,  $a(1,6)$ ,  $a(2,6)$ ,  $a(3,6)$

- Any Array or subarray must be a contiguous block of memory

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## Transfers: Copy Clause



- Declares data that need to be copied from the host to the device when entering the data section
- These data are assigned values on the device that need to be copied back to the host when exiting the data section

```
float A[m][n];
init(A);

#pragma acc data, copy (A[0:n*m])
{
    ...
    #pragma acc kernels
    for(i=0; i < n; i++) {
        for(j=0; j < m; j++) {
            A[j][i] = A[j][i] + 1.0;
            ...
        }
    }
    ...
}
```

Allocation of array A on the device and transfer of the data from the host to the device

Transfer of the data of array A from the device to the host and deallocation on the device

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## Transfers: Copyin/Copyout Clause



- *copyin*
  - Declares data that need to be copied from the host to the device when entering the data section
- *copyout*
  - Declares data that need to be copied from the device to the host when exiting data section

```
#pragma acc data, copyin (A)
{
  ...
}
```

```
$!acc data, copyout (A)
...
$!acc end data
```

## Present Clause



- Declares data that are already present on the device
  - Thanks to data region that contains this region of code
- CAPS Runtime will find and use the data on device

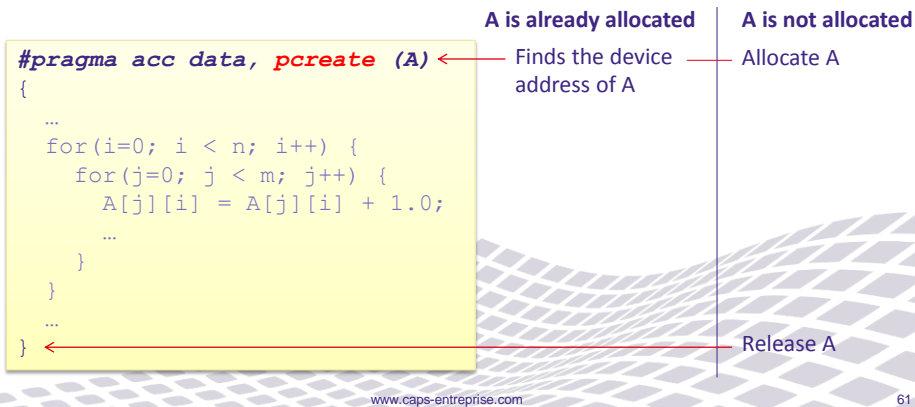
```
#pragma acc data, copy (A[0:n*m])
{
  ...
  #pragma acc data, present (A)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

```
$!acc data, copy (A(1:n,1:m))
...
$!acc data, present (A)
...
$!acc end data
$!acc end data
```

## Data Allocation: Present\_or\_create Clause



- Declares data that may be present
  - If data is already present, use value in the device memory
  - If not, allocate data on device when entering region and deallocate when exiting
- May be shortened to *pcreate*



## Transfers: Present\_or\_copy Clause



- If data is already present, use value in the device memory
- If not:
  - Allocates data on device and copies the value from the host at region entry
  - Copies the value from the device to the host and deallocates memory at region exit
- May be shortened to *pcopy*

```
#pragma acc data, pcopy (A)
{
  ...
}
```

```
$!acc data, pcopy (A)
...
$!acc end data
```

## Transfers: *Present\_or\_copyin* / *Present\_or\_copyout* Clause



- If data is already present, use value in the device memory
- If not:
  - Both *present\_or\_copyin*/*present\_or\_copyout* allocate memory on device at region entry
  - *present\_or\_copyin* copies the value from the host at region entry
  - *present\_or\_copyout* copies the value from the device to the host at region exit
  - Both *present\_or\_copyin*/*present\_or\_copyout* deallocate memory at region exit
- May be shortened to *pcopyin* and *pcopyout*

```
#pragma acc data, pcopyin (A)
{
  ...
}
```

```
$!acc data, pcopyout (A)
...
$!acc end data
```

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## Kernels, Parallel Constructs and Data Clauses



- *Kernels* and *parallel* constructs implicitly define data regions
- Data clauses also apply to these structures
- *Kernels* and *parallel* constructs cannot contain other *kernels* or *parallel* regions
- Data inside *kernels* or *parallel* regions data can be managed by a data construct at an higher level

data.c

```
int A[n]
...
#pragma acc data, copyin (A)
{
  ...
  function (A)
  ...
}
```

kernels.c

```
function(float A[n])
{
  #pragma acc kernels, \
               pcopyin (A)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

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## Data Management: Default Behavior



- CAPS Compilers are able to detect the variables required on the device for the *kernels* and *parallel* constructs.
- Depending on their type, they follow the following policies
  - Tables: *present\_or\_copy* behavior
  - Scalar
    - if not live in or live out variable: *private* behavior
    - *copy* behavior otherwise

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## Conclusion



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## Conclusion



- CAPS Compilers support two sets of directives to use accelerators:
  - OpenHMPP
  - OpenACC
- Fast development of high-level heterogeneous applications
  - For C and FORTRAN code
- Explicit the calls to a hardware accelerator in your code
  - Whatever the target
  - CAPS Compilers support:
    - Nvidia Tesla GPUs
    - AMD
    - X86 Intel Phi

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## CAPS Compilers Advanced Features



- Library integration directives
  - Needed for a “single source many-core code” approach
- Tracing Open performance APIs
  - Allows to use tracing third party tools
- Tuning directives
  - Loops nest transformations
- External and native functions
  - Allows to include CUDA code into kernels
- Multiple devices management
  - Data collection / map operation
- And many more features
  - Loop transformations directives for kernel tuning
  - buffer mode, UVA support, ...

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