

# Experience OpenMP4.5

Compute Device Offloading – an overview

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# Open Multi-Processing



- Pragma Language for easy multi-threading
- Shared-memory multiprocessing API for Fortran, C, and C++
- Standardizes task & loop-level parallelism, driven by consortium of large hardware & software vendors
- Supports coarse-grained parallelism by annotations specifying sections of sequential code to be executed by multiple concurrent threads
- Combines serial and parallel code in single expression sequence
- Actively used for > 20 years
  - OpenMP 1.0 (Oct 1997) ... OpenMP 4.5 (Nov 2015)

# A Brief History of OpenMP

- 1996 - Architecture Review Board (ARB) formed by several vendors implementing their own directives for Shared Memory Parallelism (SMP).
- 1997-1998 – Versions 1 – first shot
- 2000-2002 – Versions 2 – gaps filled
- 2005 – Version 2.5 – C/C++ and FORTRAN specs merged
- 2008-2011 – Version 3.x – tasking
- 2013-2015 – Version 4.x – offloading

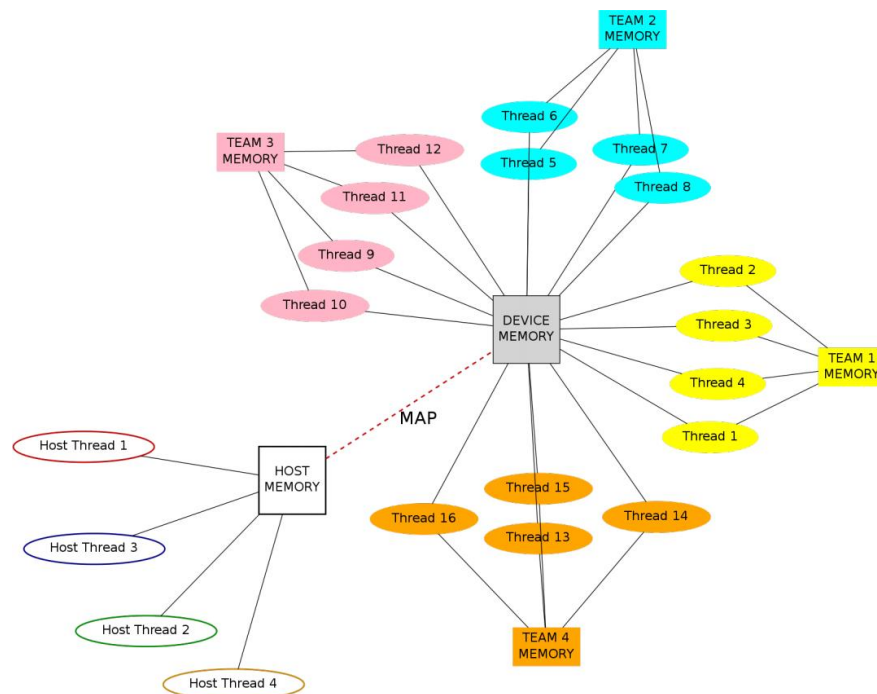


# OpenMP 4.0 – in July 2013

- Significant Update to OpenMP
  - Support for compute devices (aka accelerators)
  - SIMD over loops and functions  
`simd construct`, `declare simd construct`
  - Native thread-affinity  
`OMP_PLACES` environment variable, `proc_bind clause`
  - Deep Tasking  
`taskgroup construct`, `depend clause`
  - User-defined reductions  
`declare reduction construct`, `depend clause`
  - Enhanced support for atomics  
`capture clause`, `seq_cst clause`
  - Support for Fortran 2003

# OpenMP 4.0 – Compute Devices

- Compute device usually has its own
  - Shared memory
  - Compute resources (e.g. threads blocks)
- Memory Model
  - Host and device memory usually distinct
    - Necessity for device data environment
  - Host and device memory may be shared
- Processing
  - Usual story on host
  - Threads on device bundled into teams



# OpenMP 4.0 – Compute Devices

- Explicit mappings of host memory to device memory

- Limited lifetime

```
omp target data map(to:params,k,  
                  from:output[0:k],  
                  tofrom:input[0:k],  
                  alloc:temp[0:k]) { ... }
```

- Unlimited lifetime

```
omp declare target
```

```
...
```

```
omp end declare target
```

- Data synchronisation during lifetime

```
omp target update to(params) from(k)
```

- Offloading calculations

- Mark region to execute on device

```
omp target { ... }
```

- Create a league of thread teams

```
omp teams num_teams(...) { ... }
```

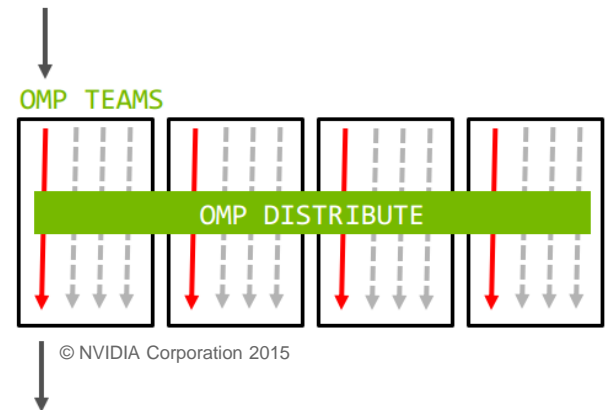
- Distribute loop(s) over teams

```
omp distribute { ... }
```

- Assign adjacent threads to adjacent loop iterations

```
omp parallel for schedule(static,1) { ... }
```

- Offloading to multiple devices supported natively:  
device clause available



# OpenMP 4.5 – in November 2015

- Taskloop – handy for tasking multiple collapsed loops – `num_tasks` or `grainsize`
- Tasks: `priority` clause
- Doacross parallelism: `ordered` clause improved with explicit source&sink dependencies
- Offloading using `target` regions
  - Scalars default to `firstprivate`
  - Pointers mapped to device pointers (not treated as scalars)
    - Consequency add `use_device_ptr` clause for CUDA compatibility
  - Asynchronous offloading using `nowait` and waiting for completion using `depend` (already possible with 4.0 using host tasking)
  - Floating target data lifetimes using `target enter data` and `target exit data` constructs
- Other smaller changes and clarifications







## Philosophical Differences

- More Explicit
  - User-directed parallelism  
Host-centric execution model
  - Compiler has less performance responsibility
  - User adds additional directives to exclude parallelization issues
  - Different architectures require different directives
- More Implicit
  - User-guided parallelism  
Not necessarily host-centric
  - Compiler has more performance responsibility
  - Users write code actually free of parallelization issues
  - Higher-level directives allow same-code targeting of different architectures

## Technical Differences

- `#pragma omp parallel`
  - Creates a single team of threads
  - User chooses thread count
  - Some communication between threads
  - Data races are the user's responsibility
- `#pragma omp teams distribute ...`
  - Creates teams of threads
  - Compiler chooses counts of teams & threads & simd lanes
  - No communication between teams
  - Data races lead to malfunction
  - Only in target regions
- `#pragma acc parallel`
  - Creates gangs of workers
  - Compiler chooses counts of gangs & workers & threads
  - No communication between gangs
  - Data races forbidden
- `#pragma acc kernels`
  - Compiler does all the hard work



## Compiler Availability – as of year-end 2016

- OpenMP 4.5
  - LLVM C/C++ can offload to Nvidia Tesla & Intel XeonPhi
  - GCC 6 can offload to Intel XeonPhi & AMD HSA-IL
  - Intel C/C++ can offload to Intel XeonPhi & Host
- OpenMP 4.0
  - PathScale ENZO can offload to NVIDIA Tesla & AMD FirePro
- OpenACC 2.0a
  - GCC 6 can offload to Nvidia Tesla (conflicts with OpenMP)
  - PathScale ENZO can offload to Nvidia Tesla & AMD FirePro
- OpenACC 2.5
  - PGI can offload to Nvidia Tesla
  - PGI can offload to Host / MultiCore
  - PGI no conflict with host OpenMP

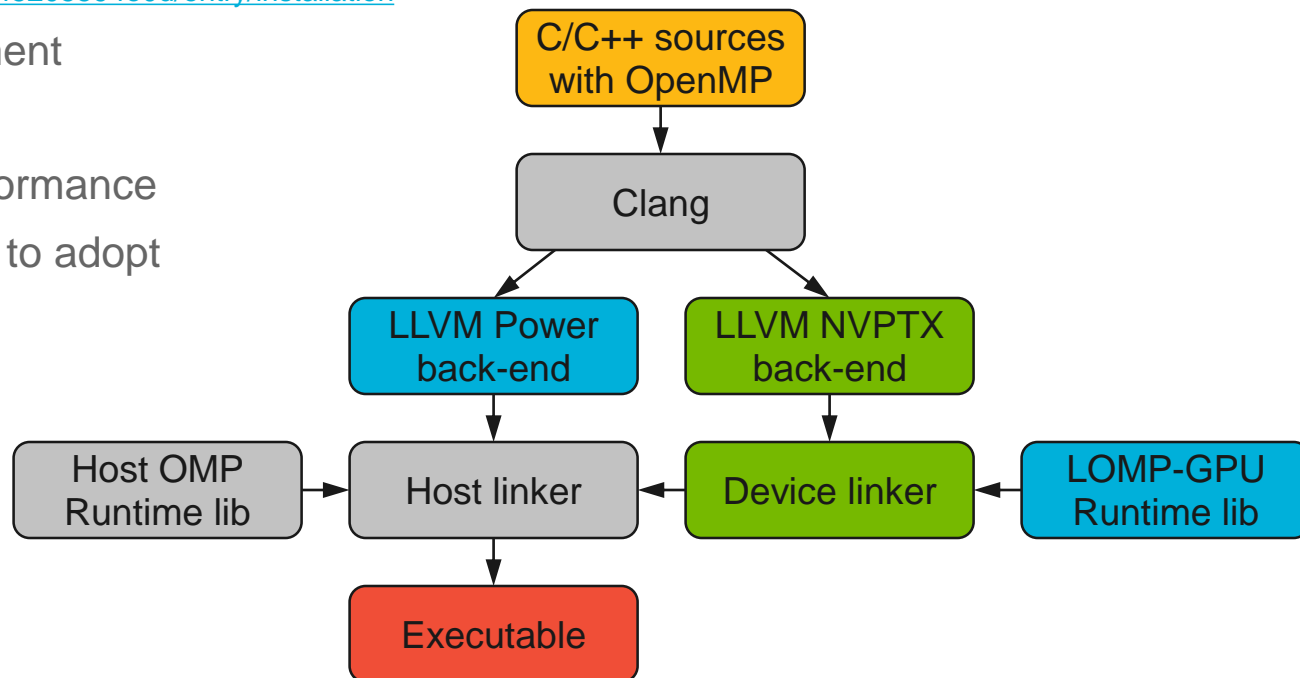
# Caveats when targeting GPUs

- OpenMP 4.5
  - Map of static allocated fields excluded.
  - (In)compatible with Unified (Virtual) Memory
  - Asynchronous device computation but no control over GPU-streams
  - No native device-to-device communication
- OpenACC 2.5
  - Multi-device support only via explicit use of executable pragma `set device`
  - No native device-to-device communication
  
- If you know more, please let me know



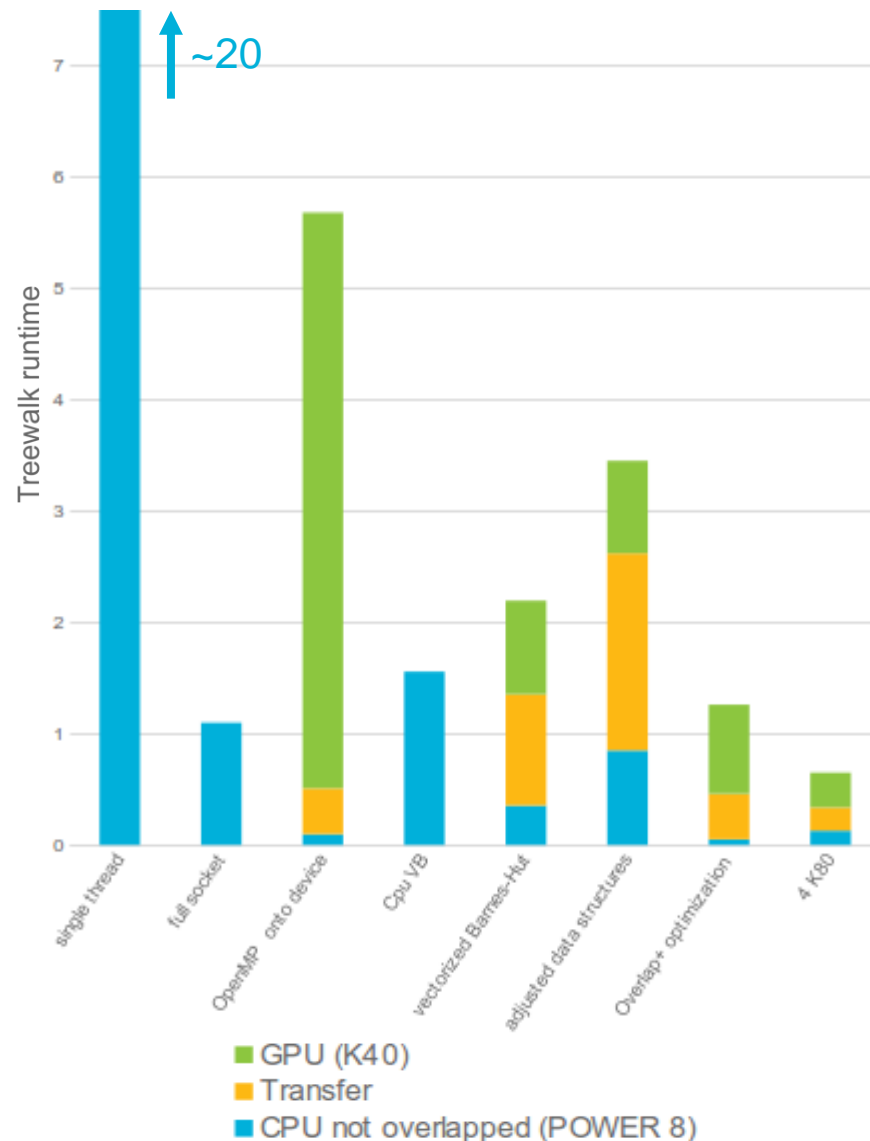
# LLVM C/C++ Compiler with OpenMP4.5

- Free & OpenSource
- Try Now:  
<https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/community/blogs/8e0d7b52-b996-424b-bb33-345205594e0d/entry/installation>
- Ongoing development
- Power back-end
  - Preliminary performance
  - XL C/C++ going to adopt methodology



# Compute Device Enablement of Gadget4

- Gadget4
  - App for cosmological N-body/SPH simulations
  - Part of the PRACE Unified European Applications Benchmark Suite
  - Initiated by Volker Springel at the University of Heidelberg, v4 in development
  - MPI+OpenMP parallelized
  - v4: CUDA/OpenCL for costly parts
- This work: v4 extension
  - Proof of Concept: Vectorised Barnes Hut
    - Tree walk on host
    - Force calculation on device
    - Employed group-size determines work-share
  - Offloading to compute device using OpenMP/OpenACC



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