# Accelerating quantum many-body configuration interaction with directives



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## In this talk

- Introduction to Many Fermion Dynamics (nuclear) Configuration Interaction code
- NESAP, Perlmutter and goals for MFDn GPU porting effort
- Target platforms
- GPU acceleration of key kernels using directives
  - Hierarchical counting nonzero matrix tiles and elements
  - Conversion of counts to offsets
  - Computing and storing nonzero matrix elements
  - Calculation of physical observables (array reductions)

all code available at https://gitlab.com/NERSC/nersc-proxies/mfdn-kernels







## Many Fermion Dynamics - nuclear (MFDn)

- Configuration Interaction (CI) for nuclear structure
  - Realistic nucleon-nucleon and three-nucleon forces
- Fortran 90
  - platform independent
  - hybrid MPI + OpenMP
- Production application with 10+ years of development
  - historically targeting multicore CPU platforms such as Jaguar (OLCF), Mira, Theta KNL (ALCF), Edison, Cori KNL (NERSC)
- Currently in use at multiple DOE centers
  - *add* support for GPUs





## **Optimization constraints**

- Enable efficient use of GPUs
- Retain portability
  - multiple vendors of GPUs
  - continue support for CPUs
- Productivity
  - Total rewrite in e.g. C++ not feasible
  - Avoid code duplication (as much as possible) or other changes that impact maintainability
- Efficient use of memory
  - Science drivers are to simulate largest problems possible
  - Optimizations must not increase memory footprint





## **Target platforms**

System	Location	CPU	GPU
Cori	NERSC	Intel KNL	none
Theta	ALCF	Intel KNL	none
Perlmutter	NERSC	AMD Milan	NVIDIA A100
Frontier*	OLCF	AMD	AMD
Aurora*	ALCF	Intel	Intel
NERSC-10*	NERSC	?	?

\* = long term goals







- Phase 1
  - 1,536 nodes with 1 AMD "Milan" CPU + 4 NVIDIA A100 GPUs
  - 256 GB CPU + 160 GB GPU memory per node
- NESAP application readiness program
  - OpenACC was selected ~2 years ago at start of NESAP as OpenMP support for this GPU was not mature





## **Test platforms**

System	Location	CPU	GPU
Cori GPU	NERSC	Intel Skylake	NVIDIA V100
Cori DGX	NERSC	AMD Rome	NVIDIA A100
Spock	OLCF	AMD Rome	AMD MI100

System	Compiler	_OPENACC	_OPENMP
Cori GPU	NVIDIA HPCSDK 21.7	201711 (2.6)	202011 (5.1)
Cori DGX	NVIDIA HPCSDK 21.7	201711 (2.6)	202011 (5.1)
Spock	HPE CCE 12.0.1	201306 (2.0)	201511 (4.5)







## MFDn structure

### 1. Determine sparsity

- a. number and location of nonzero matrix tiles
- b. number and location of nonzero elements in tiles
- 2. Calculate matrix elements
- 3. Compute N lowest eigenvalue/ eigenvector pairs [1]
- 4. Calculate physical observables from eigenvectors

[1] P. Maris et al. Accelerating an Iterative Eigensolver for Nuclear Structure Configuration Interaction Calculations on GPUs using OpenACC (arXiv:2109.00485)





## Many-body state representations

- Many-body basis states are composed of antisymmetrized products of Single Particle (SP) states
- Many-body states can be represented in two ways
  - $BIN(\phi_i) = ...0010010000...0001001..$ 
    - each bit corresponds to an SP state which is either occupied or not
    - for n nucleons n bits are set
    - memory proportional to number of SP states
  - $\phi_i = \{s_1, s_2, ..., s_n\}$ 
    - set of integers storing which SP states are occupied
    - positive-definite and ordered
    - memory proportional to number of nucleons





## **Sparsity determination**

Two many-body states (with two-body forces) interact and the matrix element is nonzero only if 0, 2, or 4 single particle states are differently-occupied.

- bit representation only
- int representation only
- truncated bit representation + int representation





## Hybrid bit + integer set representation

```
!$acc parallel loop
```

```
do i = 1, n
   c = 0
   !$acc loop reduction(+:c)
   do j = 1, n
      d = popcnt(ieor(bitrep1(i), bitrep2(j)))
      if (d > 4) cycle
```

#### Level 1 directives

!\$acc parallel loop

```
!$omp target teams distribute private(d)
```

!\$omp target teams loop private(d)

!\$omp target teams loop bind(teams) private(d)

```
d = count_difference(mbstate1(:,i), np, mbstate2(:,j), np)
```

```
if (d \le 4) c = c + 1
```

```
end do
```

```
counts(i) = c
```

```
end do
```

```
numnnz = sum(counts)
```



!\$omp loop bind(parallel) reduction(+:c) private(d)







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## bit rep and hybrid non-zero counting performance







## Takeaways

- Check the compiler diagnostic output!
  - Even with "simple" loops
- Function/ subroutine calls in parallel loops should receive extra attention
  - You could end up running serial code on the GPU
- OpenACC loop achieved best performance
  - OpenMP loop can be competitive with bind hints if the compiler support is available
- OpenMP target teams distribute parallel do potentially involves overhead compared to OpenMP loop





## **Prefix sum / scan** $y_{i+1} = \sum_{j=0}^{i} x_j = y_i + x_i$

- Common primitive in many algorithms
- OpenMP spec includes a scan clause for reductions
   but no compiler supports it for offload!
  - but no compiler supports it for offload!
- Available in C++ for specific platforms through many means, e.g. Kokkos, libc++, Thrust, CUB
  - mixing languages not acceptable for maintainability and portability





## Prefix sum in MFDn

- In MFDn needed to convert counts to offsets
  - key transformation needed to use a single large shared array vs many smaller private arrays
- Since the offsets can be computed once and reused we just need to avoid a data transfer
  - !\$acc serial may be enough for some small problems





## Filling shared arrays

#### Two levels of parallelism

```
!$acc parallel loop
do i = 1, n
    indx(i) = offset(i)
  !$acc loop device_type(host) seq
    do j = 1, m
        if (mod(j,p) == 0) then
            !$acc atomic capture
            indx(i) = indx(i) + 1
            k = indx(i) + 1
            k = indx(i)
            !$acc end atomic
            arr(k) = j
        end if
    end do
end do
```

#### outer level

- enough work for CPUs
- no data conflicts

#### inner level

- order does not matter for correctness
- serial on CPUs for efficient cache use
- parallel on GPUs for parallelism
  - data conflicts -> use of atomics









## **Architectural specialization**

- Even with no conflicts, use of atomics on CPUs introduces overhead
- OpenMP or OpenACC only without additional preprocessor?
  - !\$acc device\_type
  - !\$omp metadirective







## Architectural specialization: OpenACC

```
!$acc parallel loop
do i = 1, n
    indx(i) = offset(i)
    !$acc loop device_type(host) seq
    do j = 1, m
        if (mod(j,p) == 0) then
            !$acc atomic capture
            indx(i) = indx(i) + 1
            k = indx(i) + 1
            k = indx(i)
            !$acc end atomic
            arr(k) = j
        end if
    end do
end do
```

```
clauses after
device_type(<type>) only
apply to devices of <type>
```

### but, not available for !\$acc atomic





## Architectural specialization: OpenMP

```
!$omp metadirective when(target_device={kind(gpu)}: target teams distribute) &
!$omp& default(parallel do private(k))
do i = 1. n
   indx(i) = offset(i)
   !$omp metadirective when(device={kind(gpu)}: parallel do private(k))
   do j = 1, m
      if (mod(j,p) == 0) then
         !$omp begin metadirective when(device={kind(gpu)}: atomic capture)
         indx(i) = indx(i) + 1
         k = indx(i)
         !$omp end metadirective
         arr(k) = j
      end if
   end do
end do
```

possible according to the specification, but no compiler support yet







## Filling shared arrays - takeaways

- multi-architecture code with directives not currently possible without some of:
  - preprocessor
  - runtime API calls
  - code duplication
- !\$omp metadirective is a promising solution, but compiler support not yet available
- Future versions of OpenACC may also improve in this area





## Array reductions $a_k = \sum_{ij} x_i (O_k)_{ij} y_j$

- In MFDn requirement comes from computing expectation value of operators corresponding to physically observable quantities
- Support has been in specifications for some time
  - but implementation in compilers has lagged (difficult to implement generically with good performance)
- Initial support for OpenMP available in NVIDIA and HPE compilers



#### $a_k = \sum x_i \, (O_k)_{ij} \, y_j$ 3 implementations ii

#### array reduction

```
!$acc parallel loop collapse(2)
reduction(+:a)
do i = 1, n
   do j = 1, n
      do k = 1, m
         a(k) = a(k) + x(k,i) * y(k,j)
      end do
   end do
end do
```

#### atomic operations

```
!$acc parallel loop collapse(3)
do i = 1, n
   do j = 1, n
      do k = 1, m
         !Sacc atomic
         a(k) = a(k) + x(k,i) * y(k,j)
         !Sacc end atomic
      end do
   end do
end do
```







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```
#:def CSV(x,n)
${",".join(f"{x}{i}" for i in range(1, n+1))}$
#:enddef CSV
```

```
#:for num_elements in range(2, max_elements+1)
  subroutine reduction${num_elements}$(x, y, a, n, dt)
    integer, parameter :: m = ${num_elements}$
    integer, intent(in) :: n
    real(sp), dimension(m, n), intent(in) :: x, y
    real(sp), intent(out) :: a(m)
    integer :: i,j
    real(dp) :: t0
    real(dp), intent(out) :: dt
#:for i in range(1, num_elements+1)
    real(sp) :: a${i}$
#:endfor
    !$acc data present(x,y)
    t0 = wtime()
#:for i in range(1, num_elements+1)
    a\{i\} = a(\{i\})
#:endfor
    !$acc parallel loop collapse(2) &
    !$acc reduction(+:${CSV("a",num_elements}$)
    do i = 1, n
       do j = 1, n
#:for i in range(1, num_elements+1)
          a{i} = a{i} + x({i},i) + y({i},j)
#:endfor
       end do
    end do
    !$acc end parallel
#:for i in range(1, num_elements+1)
    a(\{i\}) = a\{i\}
#:endfor
    dt = wtime() - t0
    !Sacc end data
  end subroutine reduction${num_elements}$
#:endfor
```



```
subroutine reduction3(x, y, a, n, dt)
 integer, parameter :: m = 3
  integer, intent(in) :: n
  real(sp), dimension(m, n), intent(in) :: x, y
  real(sp), intent(out) :: a(m)
  integer :: i,j
  real(dp) :: t0
  real(dp), intent(out) :: dt
  real(sp) :: a1
 real(sp) :: a2
  real(sp) :: a3
  !$acc data present(x,y)
  t0 = wtime()
  a1 = a(1)
  a^{2} = a^{2}
  a3 = a(3)
  !$acc parallel loop collapse(2) &
  !$acc reduction(+:a1,a2,a3)
  do i = 1, n
     do j = 1, n
        a1 = a1 + x(1,i) * y(1,j)
        a^2 = a^2 + x(2,i) * y(2,j)
        a3 = a3 + x(3,i) * y(3,j)
     end do
  end do
  !$acc end parallel
  a(1) = a1
  a(2) = a2
  a(3) = a3
  dt = wtime() - t0
  !$acc end data
end subroutine reduction3
```

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## Performance on CPU (Skylake, nvfortran)



- array size 64
- atomics with many conflicts are very slow
- array reduction with OpenMP works well
- manual generation with OpenMP loop best







## Performance on GPU (NVIDIA A100, nvfortran)



- array size 64
- atomics with many conflicts are best
  - in some cases
- array reduction with OpenMP works well
  - until you hit a bug with some array sizes
- manual generation with any model highest peak performance







## Performance on GPU (AMD MI100, HPE CCE)



- array size 64
- atomics are best in some ranges
  - but only with OpenMP-loop
- array reduction with OpenMP works
  - but slow, no parallel code
- manual generation with OpenMP and OpenMP-loop works
  - OpenACC crashes the compiler







## Array reductions takeaways

- atomics are best in some ranges on GPUs
  - with OpenMP and sensitive to directive choice
- array reduction with OpenMP "works"
  - but performance is not portable
- manual generation via templates with OpenMP-loop overall best solution
  - but! adding a templating engine to your build may not be a good idea: long compile times, maintenance, additional dependency





## Conclusions

- MFDn is now enabled for CPUs and GPUs
- multiple thread private arrays -> 1 big shared array with offsets
  - Counts -> Offsets -> Fill
- For the kernels examined in this work OpenACC provides the best performance
- OpenMP with support for latest features by compilers is promising candidate for single source performance portability





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