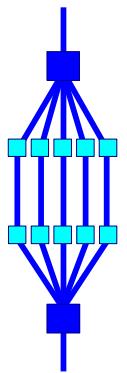


# *OMPlab on Sun Systems*

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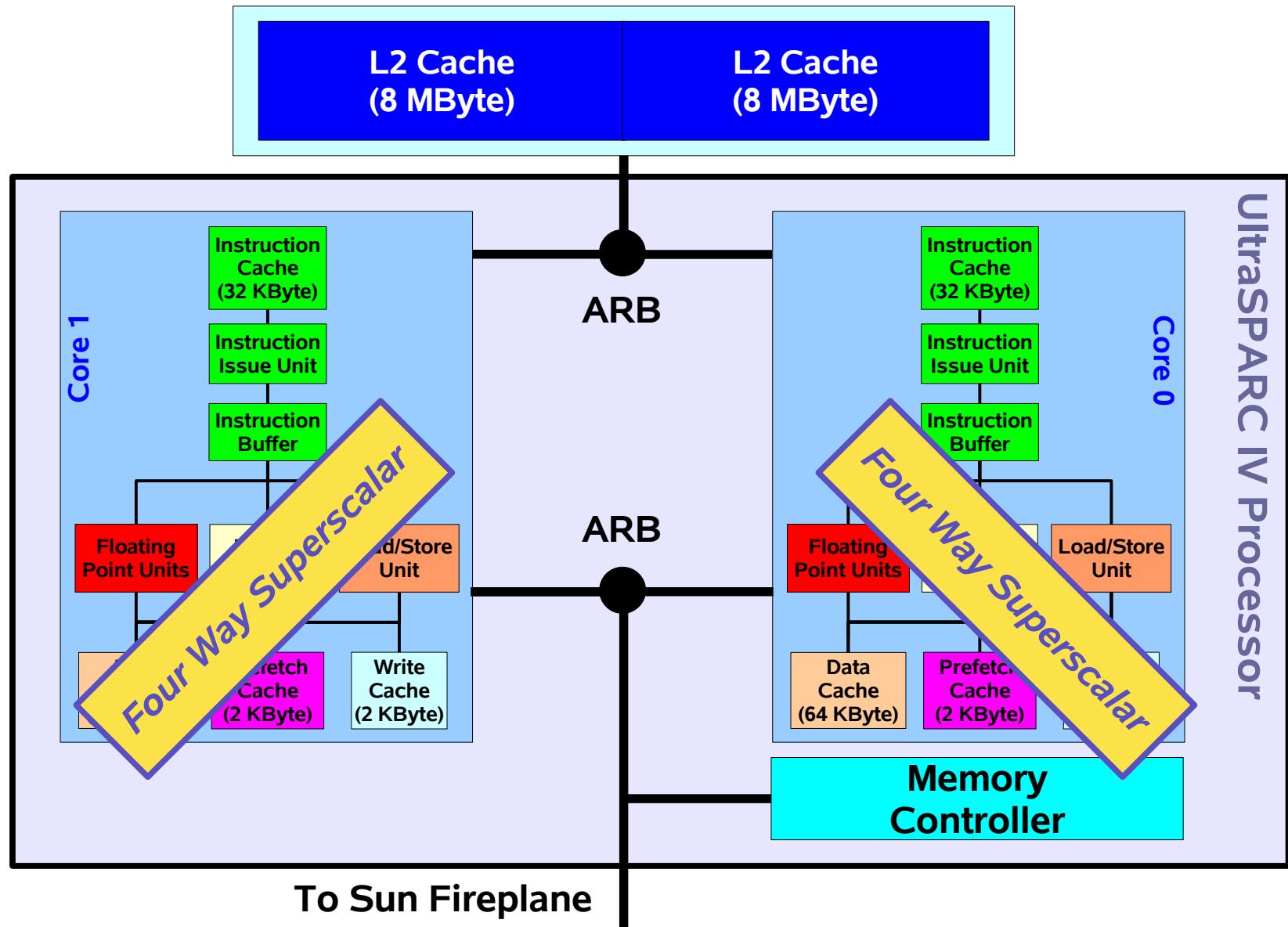
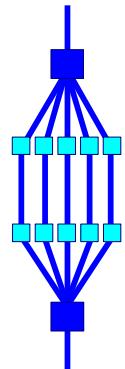
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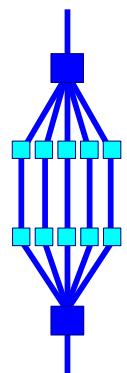


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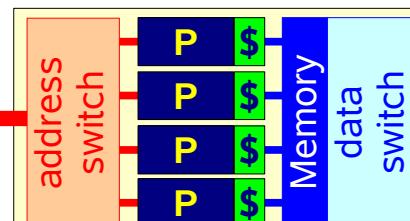
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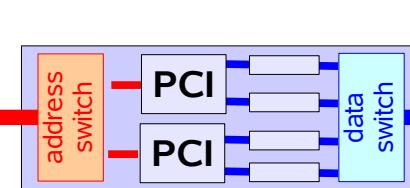
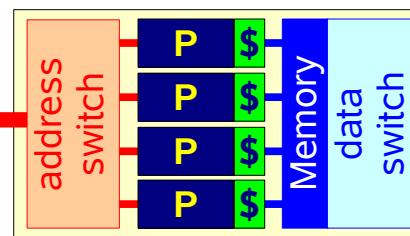
# The simplified big picture



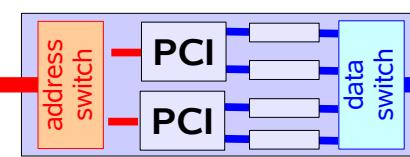
## Address Switch Network



CPU/Memory boards



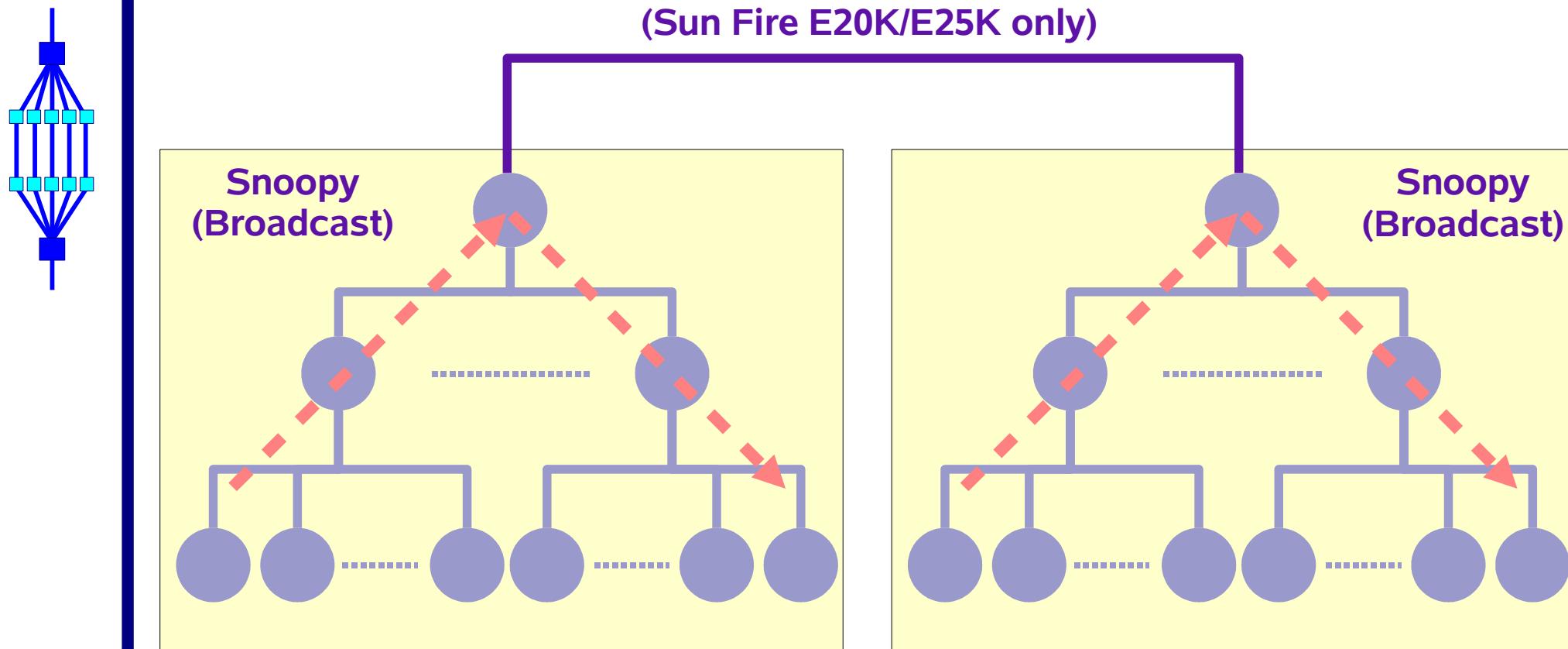
I/O assemblies

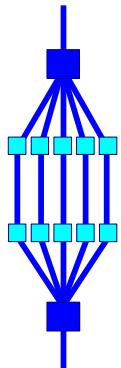


## Data Switch Network

- ✓ *The SMP model is preserved throughout the product line*
- ✓ *Architectural details of the switch network depend on the Sun Fire model*
- ✓ *A hierarchical tree is used to build the interconnect*
- ✓ *Smaller systems, have less switch layers*
- ✓ *Largest system, the Sun Fire E25K, can have up to 104 US III (Cu) processors or 72 US IV processors (144 cores)*

# A hierarchical coherency tree

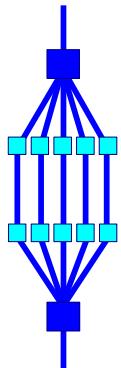




# IWOMP 2005 Sun lab system

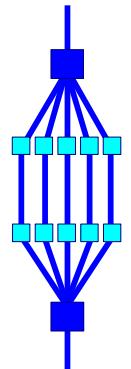


- *Sun Fire SMP - Kindly made available by the Technical University of Denmark (DTU) in Lyngby, Denmark*
- *Twelve UltraSPARC IV processors*
  - *Two cores/processor*
    - ✓ *Each core runs @ 1350 MHz*
  - *Total: 24 cores*
  - *Memory: 48 GByte*
- *Software Environment*
  - *Solaris 9*
  - *Sun Studio 10 compilers*
- *Directions how to log into the system will be handed out separately*



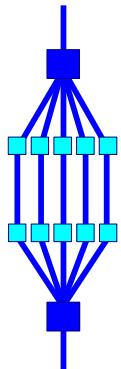
# How to access the DTU system

- Use the ThinLinc client on the PC/workstation/laptop***
  - *Download from <http://www.thinlinc.com> if not installed yet*
- Start the ThinLinc client:***
  - *Server name: thinlinc.hpc.dtu.dk*
  - *User name and password will be provided*
- Select your favourite Window Manager***
  - *Recommend: IceWM (very lightweight WM)*
- Open a terminal (task bar or right mouse button)***
- In this terminal window, type: \$ run\_on isaac xterm -ls***
  - *Full name is isaac.hpc.dtu.dk*
- Do not change your PATH and other settings!***



# *The Sun Studio Compilers*

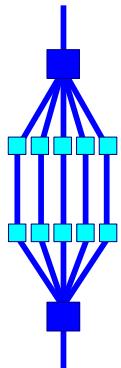
# Sun Studio 10 - Some features



- **Hardware support:**
  - *SPARC, AMD and Intel*
- **Compilers:**
  - *Fortran (f95), C (cc) and C++ (CC)*
- **Parallelization**
  - *Automatic parallelization (-xautopar option)*
  - *OpenMP V2.0 (-xopenmp option)*
  - *Combination of the above (use both options)*
- **Compiler Commentary**
  - *Add -g to compile options*
  - *Use the er\_src command to analyze object file*

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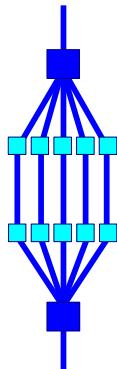
# Serial compiler options



*In general, one obtains very good performance out of the Sun compilers by just using these 2 options on the compile and link line:*

<b>-fast -xarch=v8plusb</b>	<i>(32-bit addressing)</i>
<b>-fast -xarch=v9b</b>	<i>(64-bit addressing)</i>

# Additional serial options to explore

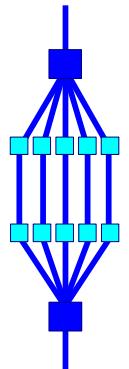


Option	Description	f95	cc	CC	Comp	Link
-xinline	Controls inlining	av.	av.	av.	+	-
-xipo	Interprocedural analysis	av.	av.	av.	+	+
-xprofile	Profile feedback	av.	av.	av.	+	+
-xprefetch	Prefetch on/off	av.	av.	av.	+	-
-xprefetch_level	Controls prefetch algorithm	av.	av.	av.	+	-
-xprefetch_auto_type	Prefetch for indirect addressing	av.	av.	av.	+	-
-stackvar	Local data on stack	av.	n.a.	n.a.	+	-
-xvector	Vectorization of intrinsics	av.	av.	av.	+	+
-xalias	Aliasing of variables	av.	n.a.	n.a.	+	-
-xalias_level	Aliasing of data types	n.a.	av.	av.	+	-
-xsfpconst	Unsuffixed fp consts are single	n.a.	av.	n.a.	+	-
-xrestrict	Restricted pointers (or not)	n.a.	av.	av.	+	-

 = option is available, but may not be implied, or try out non-default settings

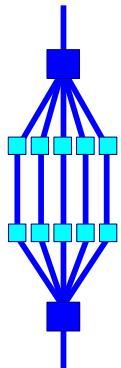
 = option is not available or applicable

**Note:** -vector is implied with -fast on SPARC, but not on AMD



# *Automatic Parallelization*

# Loop based parallelization



- **Loop based parallelization:**

- *Different iterations of the loop are executed in parallel*

- **Same binary can be run using any number of threads**

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++)
    a[i] = b[i] + c[i];
```

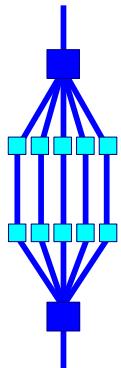
**Thread 0**

```
for (i=0; i<n/2; i++)
    a[i] = b[i] + c[i];
```

**Thread 1**

```
for (i=n/2; i<n; i++)
    a[i] = b[i] + c[i];
```

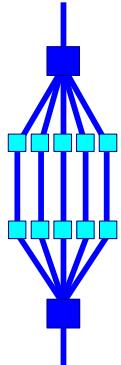
# Automatic parallelization options



Option	Description
<code>-xautopar</code>	Automatic parallelization (Fortran, C and C++ compiler) Requires -xO3 or higher (-xautopar implies -xdepend)
<code>-xreduction</code>	Parallelize reduction operations Recommended to use <code>-fsimple=2</code> as well
<code>-xloopinfo</code>	Show parallelization messages on screen

*Use environment variable `OMP_NUM_THREADS` to set the number of threads (default value is 1)*

# Loop versioning example

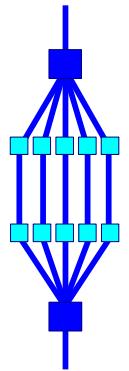


```
% cc -c -g -fast -xrestrict -xautopar -xloopinfo sub1.c
```

```
1 void sub1(int n, double a, double *x, double *y)
2 {
3     int i;
4     for (i=0; i<n; i++)
5         x[i] += a*y[i];
6 }
```

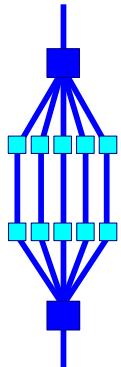
"sub1c.c", line 4: PARALLELIZED, and serial version generated

- ◆ *The compiler will generate two versions, unless the loop has constant bounds or if the compiler can derive the loop lengths from the context*
- ◆ *The serial version will be executed if there is not enough work to be done in the loop*



# *OpenMP on Sun systems*

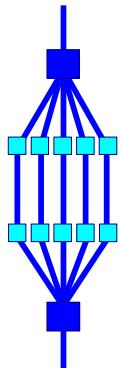
# OpenMP compiler options



Option	Description
<code>-xopenmp</code>	Equivalent to <code>-xopenmp=parallel</code>
<code>-xopenmp=parallel</code>	Enables recognition of OpenMP pragmas Requires at least optimization level <code>-xO3</code>
<code>-xopenmp=noopt</code>	Enables recognition of OpenMP pragmas The program is parallelized accordingly, but no optimization is done *
<code>-xopenmp=none</code>	Disables recognition of OpenMP pragmas (default)

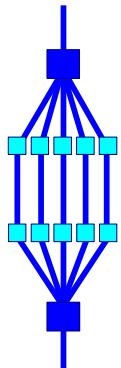
*\*) The compiler does not raise the optimization level if it is lower than `-xO3`*

# Related compiler options



Option	Description
<code>-xloopinfo</code>	Display parallelization messages on screen
<code>-stackvar</code>	Allocate local data on the stack (Fortran only) Use this when calling functions in parallel Included with <code>-xopenmp=parallel   noopt</code>
<code>-vpara/-xvpara</code>	Reports OpenMP scoping errors in case of incorrect parallelization (Fortran and C compiler only) Also reports OpenMP scoping errors and race conditions statically detected by the compiler
<code>-XlistMP</code>	Reports warnings about possible errors in OpenMP parallelization (Fortran only)

# Compiler commentary



```
% cc -c -g -fast -xopenmp mxv.c
% er_src -cc parallel mxv.o
```

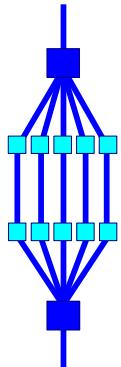
Private variables in OpenMP construct below: j, i  
Shared variables in OpenMP construct below: c, a, b  
Firstprivate variables in OpenMP construct below: n, m

```
6. #pragma omp parallel for default(none) \
    private(i,j) firstprivate(m,n) shared(a,b,c)
```

Loop below parallelized by explicit user directive

```
8.     for (i=0; i<m; i++)
9.     {
10.         a[i] = 0.0;
11.         for (j=0; j<n; j++)
12.             a[i] += b[i*n+j]*c[j];
13.     }
14. }
```

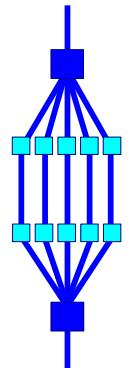
# OpenMP environment variables



OpenMP environment variable	Default for Sun OpenMP
<code>OMP_NUM_THREADS n</code>	1
<code>OMP_SCHEDULE "schedule,[chunk]"</code>	static, “N/P” (1)
<code>OMP_DYNAMIC { TRUE   FALSE }</code>	TRUE (2)
<code>OMP_NESTED { TRUE   FALSE }</code>	FALSE (3)

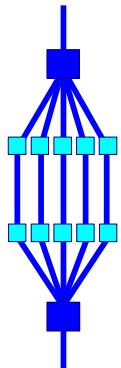
- (1) *The chunk size approximately equals the number of iterations (N) divided by the number of threads (P)*
- (2) *The number of threads will be limited to the number of on-line processors in the system. This can be changed by setting `OMP_DYNAMIC` to FALSE.*
- (3) *Multi-threaded execution of inner parallel regions in nested parallel regions is supported as of Sun Studio 10*

**Note:** *The names are in uppercase, the values are case insensitive*



# *Sun-specific OpenMP Environment Variables*

# Run-time warnings

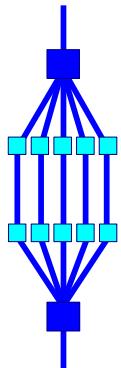


SUNW\_MP\_WARN    TRUE | FALSE

*Control printing of warnings*

- ☞ *The OpenMP run-time library will not print warning messages by default*
- ☞ *Strongly recommended to set this environment variable to TRUE to activate the warnings*
- ☞ *This will help you diagnose run-time problems*
  - *Also reports (some) non-conforming program errors*
- ☞ *Note there is a slight performance penalty associated with setting this environment variable to TRUE*
  - *Cost depends on the operation - Explicit locking will be more expensive for example*

# Example SUNW\_MP\_WARN/1



*Using more threads than processors:*

```
# SUNW_MP_WARN=TRUE; export SUNW_MP_WARN
# OMP_NUM_THREADS=3; export OMP_NUM_THREADS
# ./omp.exe
WARNING (libmptsk): Dynamic adjustment of threads is enabled. The
number of threads is adjusted to 2.

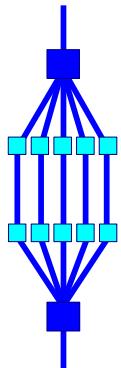
Thread ID 0 updates i = 0
Thread ID 0 updates i = 1
Thread ID 0 updates i = 2
Thread ID 1 updates i = 3
Thread ID 1 updates i = 4
Thread ID 1 updates i = 5
```

Now we get 3 threads →

```
# OMP_DYNAMIC=FALSE; export OMP_DYNAMIC
# ./omp.exe

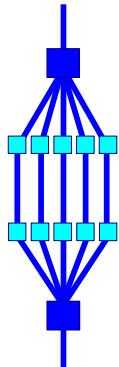
Thread ID 0 updates i = 0
Thread ID 0 updates i = 1
Thread ID 1 updates i = 2
Thread ID 1 updates i = 3
Thread ID 2 updates i = 4
Thread ID 2 updates i = 5
```

# Example SUNW\_MP\_WARN/2



```
20     void foo()
21     {
22         #pragma omp barrier ←
23         whatever();
24     }
25
26     void bar(int n)
27     {
28         printf("In bar: n = %d\n",n);
29         #pragma omp parallel for
30         for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
31             foo(); →
32     }
33
34     void whatever()
35     {
36         int TID = omp_get_thread_num();
37         printf("Thread %d does do nothing\n",TID);
38     }
```

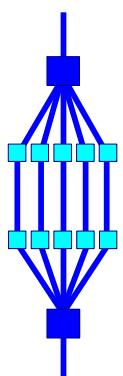
# Example SUNW\_MP\_WARN/3



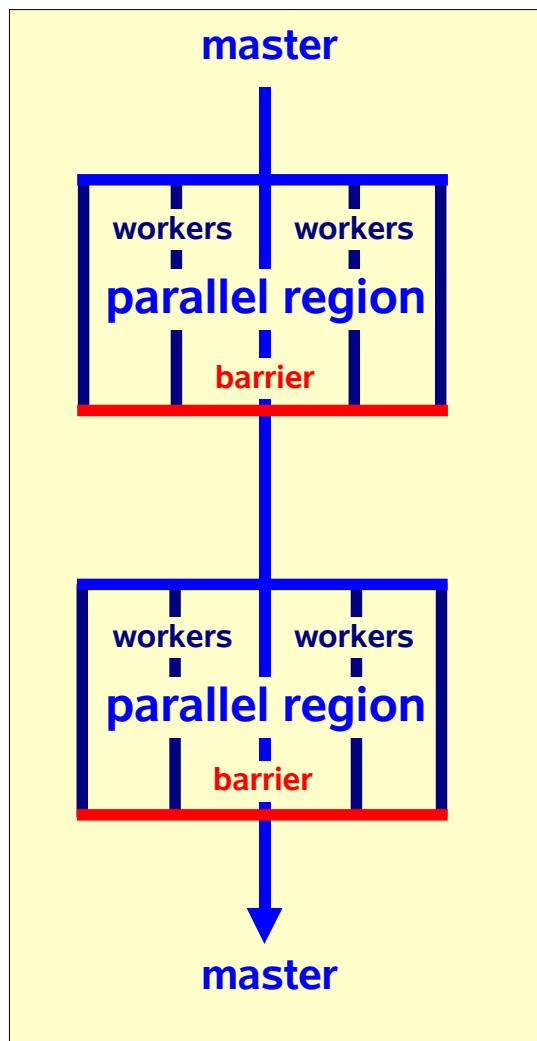
```
% cc -fast -xopenmp -xloopinfo -xppara main.c
"main.c", line 30: PARALLELIZED, user pragma used
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 4
% setenv SUNW_MP_WARN TRUE ←
% ./a.out
In bar: n = 5
WARNING (libmtsk): at main.c:22. Barrier is not permitted in
dynamic extent of for / DO.
Thread 0 does do nothing
Thread 3 does do nothing
Thread 2 does do nothing
Thread 1 does do nothing
WARNING (libmtsk): Threads at barrier from different
directives.
    Thread at barrier from main.c:22.
    Thread at barrier from main.c:29.
    Possible Reasons:
    Worksharing constructs not encountered by all threads in
    the team in the same order.
    Incorrect placement of barrier directives.
Thread 0 does do nothing
```

**Application  
hangs**

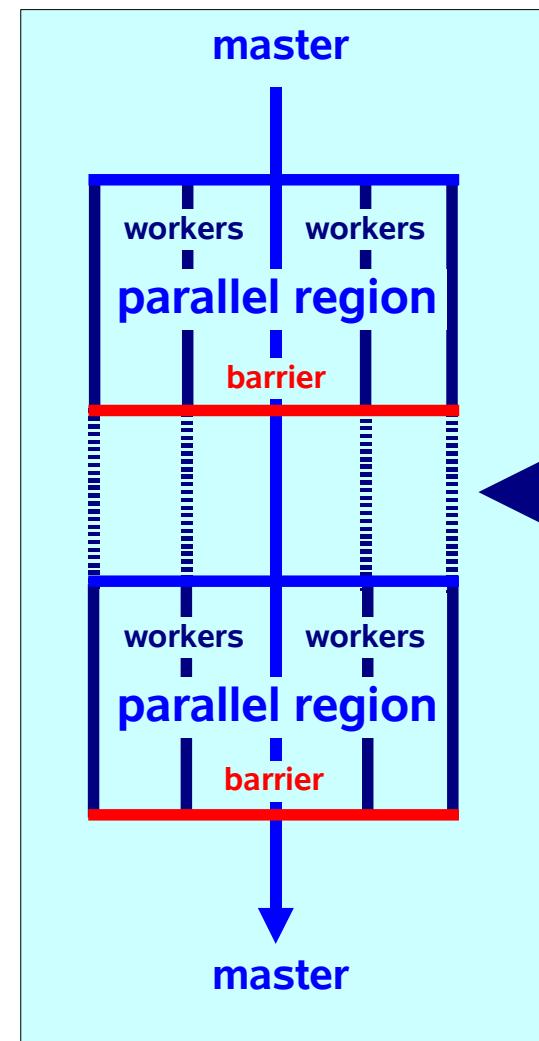
# The fork-join model implemented



*OpenMP Model*

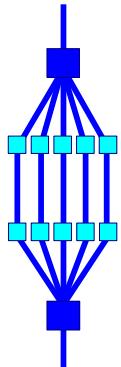


*Sun Implementation*



*Idle threads sleep by default*

# The behaviour of idle threads



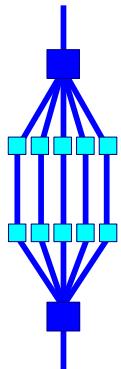
*Environment variable to control the behaviour:*

SUNW\_MP\_THR\_IDLE

[ spin | sleep | sleep ('n's) | sleep ('n'ms) ]

- ◆ *Default is to have idle threads go to sleep*
- ◆ *Spin: threads will keep the CPU busy (but don't do useful work)*
- ◆ *Sleep: threads are put to sleep; awakened when new work arrives*
- ◆ *Sleep ('time'): spin for 'n' seconds (or 'n' ms), then go into sleep mode*
  - *Example: setenv SUNW\_MP\_THR\_IDLE "sleep(5 ms)"*

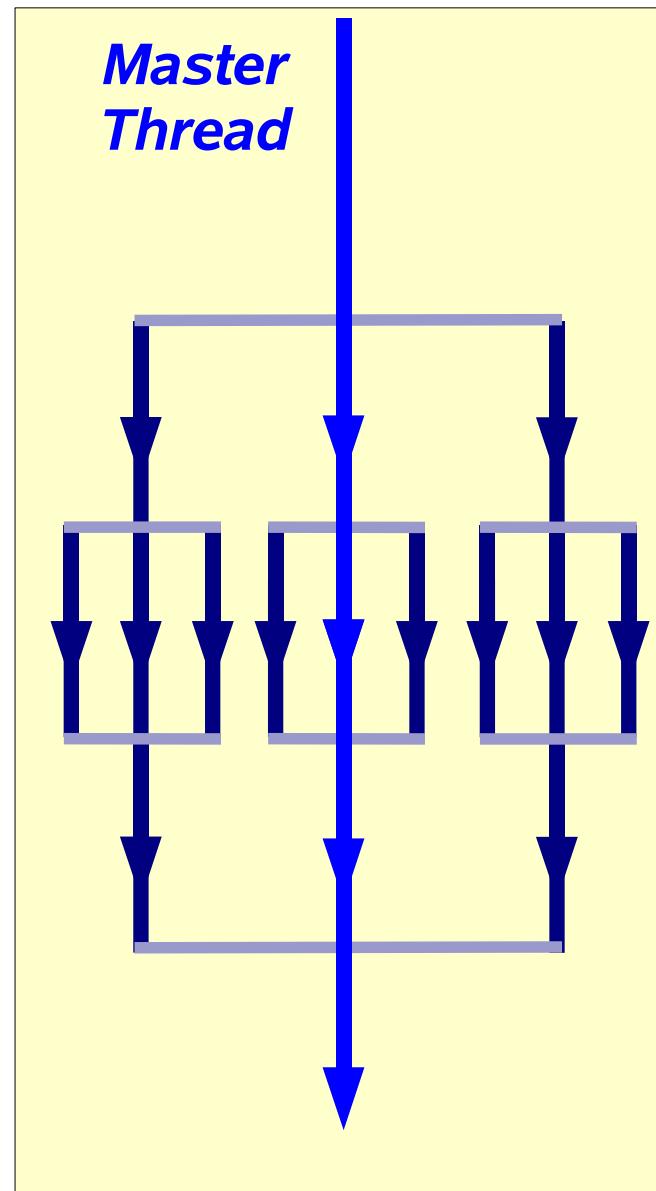
# Nested parallelism



*3-way parallel*

*9-way parallel*

*3-way parallel*



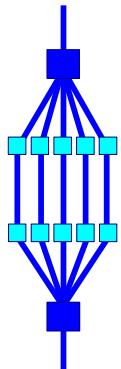
*Outer parallel region*

*Nested parallel region*

*Outer parallel region*

**Note: nesting level can be arbitrarily deep**

# Nested parallelism on Sun



*Control maximum number of threads for nested parallelism*

SUNW\_MP\_MAX\_POOL\_THREADS <n>

**Default is 1023**

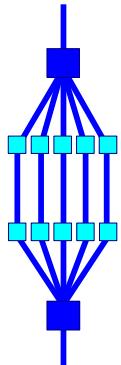
*Control maximum nesting level*

SUNW\_MP\_MAX\_NESTED\_LEVELS <n>

**Default is 2**

**Note: need to set environment variable `OMP_NESTED` to `TRUE` for this to take effect**

# Processor binding



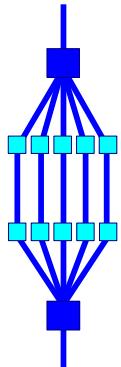
*Control binding of threads to “processors”*

SUNW\_MP\_PROCBind TRUE | FALSE

SUNW\_MP\_PROCBind Logical ID, or Range of logical IDs, or list of logical IDs (separated by spaces)

- ☞ Processor binding, when used along with static scheduling, benefits applications that exhibit a certain data reuse pattern where data accessed by a thread in a parallel region will be in the local cache from a previous invocation of a parallel region
- ☞ One can use the psrinfo and prtdiag (in /usr/sbin) commands to find out how processors are configured
- ☞ Note that the binding is to the logical processor ID, not the physical ID (order is dictated by output of psrinfo)
- ☞ In case of syntax error, an error message is emitted and execution of the program is terminated.

# Configuration information



0 <=	0	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:43:44
1 <=	1	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
2 <=	2	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
3 <=	3	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
...	.....		
21 <=	21	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
22 <=	22	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
23 <=	23	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
24 <=	512	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
25 <=	513	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
26 <=	514	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49
...	.....		
	535	on-line	since 10/30/2004 13:45:49

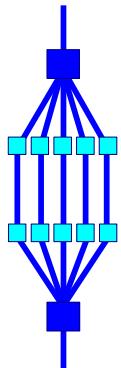
*Fragment of psrinfo output*

*Logical ID*

*Fragment of prtdiag output*

FRU	Name	CPU	Run	E\$	CPU	CPU
		ID	MHz	MB	Impl.	Mask
	/N0/SB0/P0	0,512	1200	16.0	US-IV	2.3
	/N0/SB0/P1	1,513	1200	16.0	US-IV	2.3
	/N0/SB0/P2	2,514	1200	16.0	US-IV	2.3
	/N0/SB0/P3	3,515	1200	16.0	US-IV	2.3
	/N0/SB1/P0	4,516	1200	16.0	US-IV	2.3
		.....				
	/N0/SB5/P2	22,534	1200	16.0	US-IV	2.3
	/N0/SB5/P3	23,535	1200	16.0	US-IV	2.3

# Examples SUNW\_MP\_PROCBind



*Activate binding of threads to processors*

```
% setenv SUNW_MP_PROCBind TRUE
```

(binding will start at processor 0)

*Bind threads to processor 5, 6, 7, ...., 10 and 11*

```
% setenv SUNW_MP_PROCBind 5-11
```

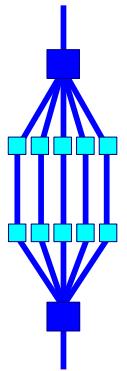
*Bind threads to processor 5, 6, 7,, ....., 0, 1, 2*

```
% setenv SUNW_MP_PROCBind 5
```

*Bind threads to processor 0, 24, 1, 25, 2 and 26*

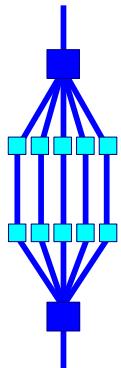
```
% setenv SUNW_MP_PROCBind "0 24 1 25 2 26"
```

*Note: this is the logical, not physical, numbering*



# *Autoscoping*

# Autoscoping example (Fortran only)



*Autoscoping is a unique feature available in the Sun Fortran compiler only\**

```
!$OMP PARALLEL DEFAULT ( __AUTO )

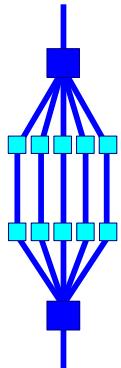
 !$OMP SINGLE
      T = N*N
 !$OMP END SINGLE

 !$OMP DO
      DO I = 1, N
          A(I) = T + I
      END DO
 !$OMP END DO

 !$OMP END PARALLEL
```

*\*) C/C++ will be supported in a future release*

# Autoscoping results



Shared variables in OpenMP construct below: a, i, t, n  
Variables autoscoped as SHARED in OpenMP construct below: i, t, n, a

```
10. !$OMP PARALLEL DEFAULT (__AUTO)  
11.  
12. !$OMP SINGLE  
13.     T = N*N  
14. !$OMP END SINGLE  
15.
```

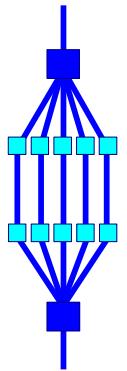
Variable 'i' re-scoped



Private variables in OpenMP construct below: i  
16. !\$OMP DO

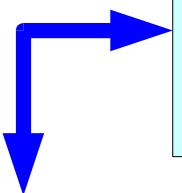
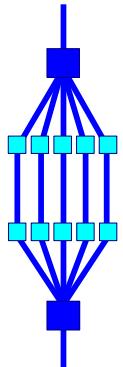
Loop below parallelized by explicit user directive

```
17.     DO I = 1, N  
       <Function: _$d1A16.auto_>  
18.         A(I) = T + I  
19.     END DO  
20. !$OMP END DO  
21.  
22. !$OMP END PARALLEL
```



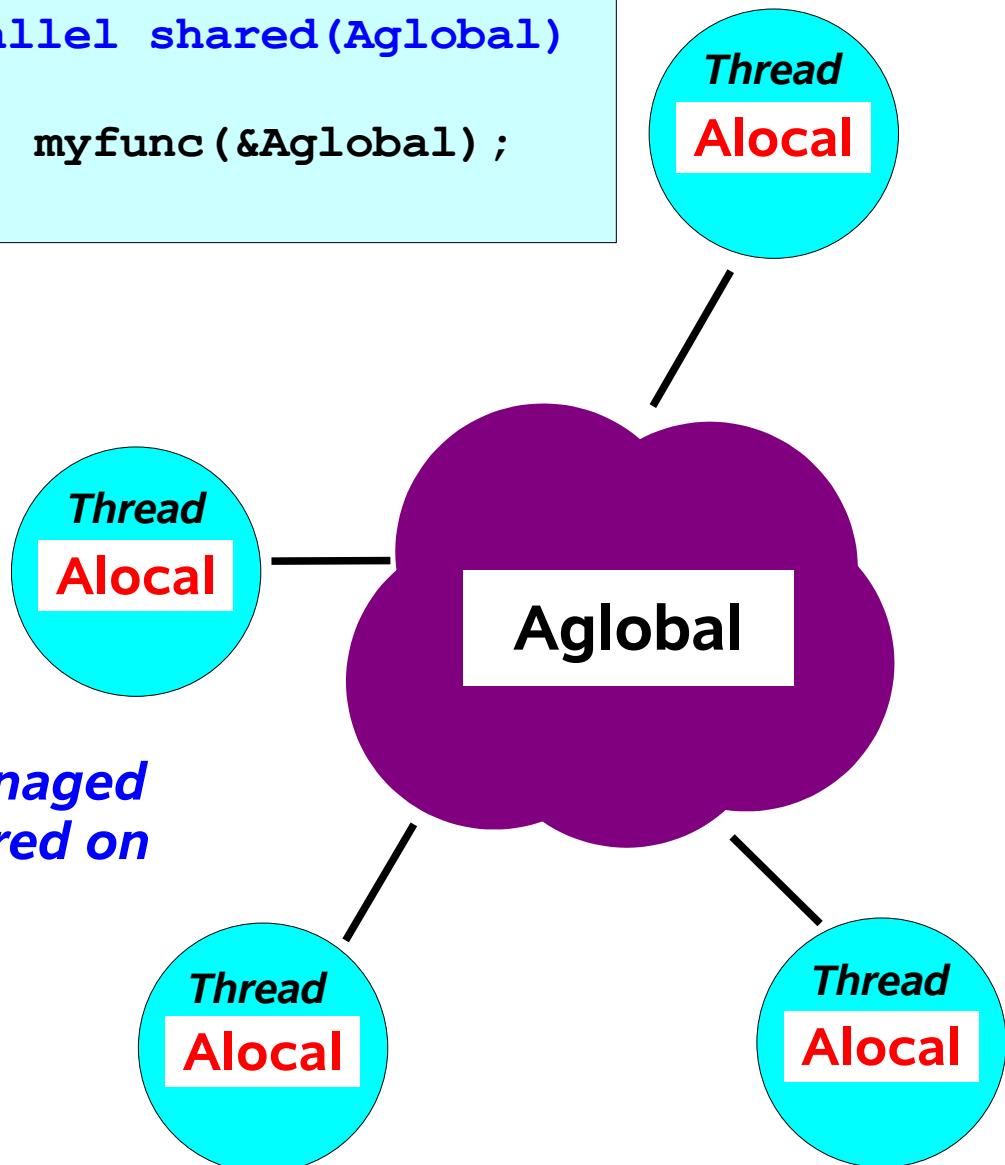
# *The Stack*

# About the stack



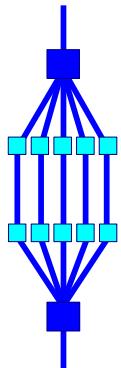
```
#omp parallel shared(Aglobal)
{
    (void) myfunc (&Aglobal);
}
```

```
void myfunc(float *Aglobal)
{
    int Alocal;
    .....
}
```



*Alocal is in private memory, managed by the thread owning it, and stored on the so-called stack*

# Setting the stack size

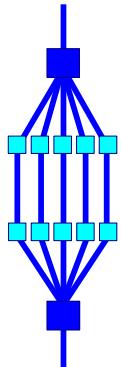


STACKSIZE *n*

*Set thread stack size in *n* KByte*

- ☞ *Each thread has its own private stack space*
- ☞ *If a thread runs out of this stack space, your program will crash with a segmentation violation*
- ☞ *Use the Unix "limit/ulimit" command to increase the MAIN ("initial" thread) stack size*
- ☞ *Use the STACKSIZE environment variable to increase the stack size for each of the worker threads*
- ☞ *Default value for STACKSIZE:*
  - ✓ *4 MByte for 32-bit addressing*
  - ✓ *8 MByte for 64-bit addressing*

# Example STACKSIZE



```
#define N 2000000

void myFunc(int TID, double *check);

void main()
{
    double check, a[N];
    int TID;

#pragma omp parallel private(TID,check)
    {
        TID = omp_get_thread_num();

        myFunc(TID,&check);

    } /*-- End of parallel region --*/
}
```

*Main requires about 16 MByte stack space to run*

```
#define MYSTACK 1000000

void myFunc(int TID, double *check)
{
    double mystack[MYSTACK];
    int i;

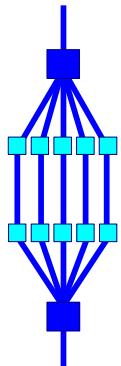
    for (i=0; i<MYSTACK; i++)
        mystack[i] = TID + 1;

    *check = mystack[MYSTACK-1];
}

printf("Thread %d has initialized
local data\n",TID);
```

*Function requires about ~8 MByte stack space to run*

# Runtime behaviour



```
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 1
% limit stack 10k
% ./stack.exe
Segmentation Fault (core dumped)
% limit stack 16m
% ./stack.exe
Thread 0 has initialized local data
```

*Not enough stack space  
for master thread*

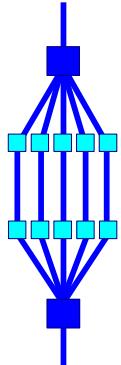
```
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 2
% ./stack.exe
Segmentation Fault (core dumped)
% setenv STACKSIZE 8192
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 1
% ./stack.exe
Thread 0 has initialized local data
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 2
% ./stack.exe
Thread 0 has initialized local data
Thread 1 has initialized local data
% setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 4
% ./stack.exe
Thread 0 has initialized local data
Thread 2 has initialized local data
Thread 3 has initialized local data
Thread 1 has initialized local data
```

*Now runs fine on 1 thread*

*But crashes on 2 ....*

*Increase thread stacksize  
and all is well again*

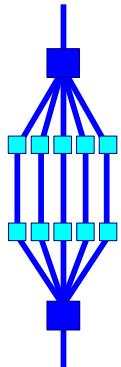
# Default stack traceback



```
% ./stack.exe
Segmentation Fault (core dumped)
% pstack core
core 'core' of 10043: ./stack.exe
----- lwp# 2 / thread# 2 -----
00010850 myFunc (1, fe3ffda0, 0, 1, 0, 0) + 10
0001082c _$p1A19.main (0, fe793380, 80, 10820, feb68260, 0) + c
feb6834c run_job_invoke_mfunc_once (fe793380, 0, ffbff9a8, 1, 0, 0) + ac
feb686b4 run_my_job (fe793380, 0, ffbff9a8, 2, 1, 27395000) + 20
feb736a4 slave_startup_function (feb97290, fe7933d0, fe7933a8, 1, 2,
    feb97284) + 7dc
feb457b4 _lwp_start (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)
----- lwp# 1 / thread# 1 -----
000108ac myFunc (f4238, ffbff698, 0, ffbff698, 1438, ff4685f0) + 6c
0001082c _$p1A19.main (0, fe782100, 80, 10820, feb68260, 0) + c
feb6834c run_job_invoke_mfunc_once (fe782100, 0, ffbff9a8, 1, ffbff768,
    ffbff879) + ac
feb67914 __mt_MasterFunction_rtc_ (107a0, fe782180, 0, 13, fe782334, 0) +
    51c
0001080c main (1, 13, 702, 107a0, 10400, 10820) + 4c
00010788 _start (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) + 108
```

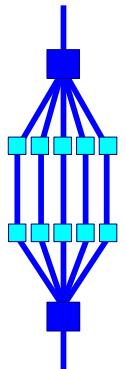
*pstack is a very useful  
Solaris command !*

# Compiler support: -xcheck=stkovf

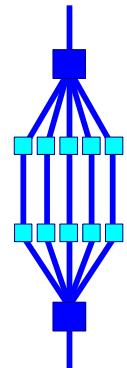


```
% cc -o stack_stkovi.exe -fast -g -xopenmp -xcheck=stkovi *.c
% ./stack_stkovi.exe
Segmentation Fault (core dumped)
% pstack core
core 'core' of 10077: ./stack_stkovi.exe

----- lwp# 2 / thread# 2 -----
feb45bb4 _stack_grow (1, fe3ffda0, 0, 1, 0, 0) + 48
00010890 _$p1A19.main (0, fe793380, 80, 10880, feb68260, 0) + 10
feb6834c run_job_invoke_mfunc_once (fe793380, 0, ffbff988, 1, 0, 0) + ac
feb686b4 run_my_job (fe793380, 0, ffbff988, 2, 1, 27395000) + 20
feb736a4 slave_startup_function (feb97290, fe7933d0, fe7933a8, 1, 2,
                                 feb97284) + 7dc
feb457b4 _lwp_start (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)
----- lwp# 1 / thread# 1 -----
00010904 myFunc (f4238, ffbff678, 0, ffbff678, 1340, ff467e10) + 64
00010890 _$p1A19.main (0, fe782100, 80, 10880, feb68260, 0) + 10
feb6834c run_job_invoke_mfunc_once (fe782100, 0, ffbff988, 1, ffbff748,
                                 ffbff859) + ac
feb67914 _mt_MasterFunction_rtc_ (10800, fe782180, 0, 13, fe782334, 0) +
51c
00010870 main (1, 13, 702, 10800, 10800, 10880) + 50
000107e8 _start (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) + 108
```



# *The Sun Performance Analyzer*



# Main Features

- *Supports serial Fortran, C, C++ and Java programs*
- *Also supports:*
  - *Automatic Parallelization*
  - *OpenMP*
  - *MPI*
  - *Posix Threads*
  - *Java Threading Model*
- *Does not require a re-compile*
  - *Recommended to use -g for maximum information*
- *Very powerful tool, but yet easy to use*

**Demo Time**