Hierarchical Locality in HCAF

(Hierarchical Coarray Fortran)

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- Overview
- Model of Hierarchy
- Hierarchical Abstractions
- Tiling Pattern Specifications

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Motivation

- · Large parallel computers are deeply hierarchical
- Applications must exploit this hierarchy, not ignore it

Approach

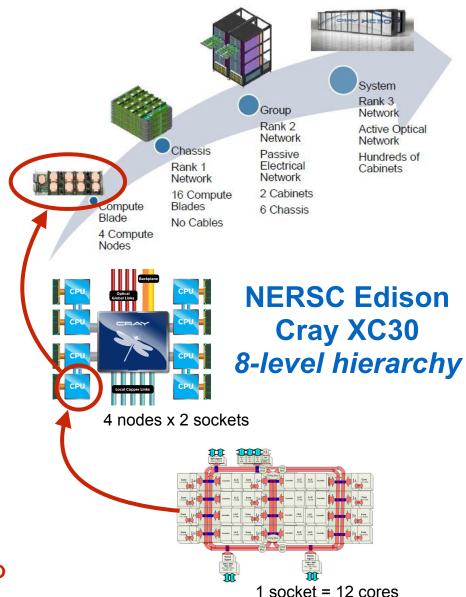
- · Language exposes hierarchy, programmer exploits it
- Exposed hierarchies automagically mapped to hardware

Goals

- Explicit hierarchical locality in PGAS model
- Dynamic task and data parallelism
- Portable performance across machine topologies
- In the spirit of Fortran
- Extension of Rice CAF 2.0 with few incompatibilities

Disclaimers

- This work is preliminary
- Still some pending design issues
- No implementation yet
- Irregular codes and heterogenous hardware are TBD



HCAF Design Principles

- Optimizable and manually controllable
 - · Programmer makes high-level decisions, can intervene at low level if necessary
 - Compiler is responsible for most performance details
- Explicit hierarchical locality
 - Single hierarchy model for hardware, teams, coarrays, task/data parallelism
 - Hierarchy abstraction for locality-aware programming in a hardware-independent way
- Single programming model across all hierarchy levels ("H-PGAS into the node")
 - Teams & coarrays on sets of cores across or within nodes
 - · Async, do-parallel, collectives on any team across or within nodes
- Mixed global-view & local-view programming
 - Hierarchical tiling supports both element-wise & tile-wise access (global and local view)
 - Relative locality redefines coarray local-vs-remote distinction to within-vs-outside current locale
- Strong typing and statically known locality
 - Type system captures hierarchical structure of teams and coarrays
 - Static correctness checking of hierarchy references (e.g. subscript rank)
 - Static locality-aware optimization
 - Dynamic hierarchy supported by runtime checking

Related Work

- Hierarchically Tiled Arrays and HPF
 - HTA's are *hierarchical*, but *dynamic tiling* \Rightarrow no static optimization
 - HPF has static tiling info => aggressive optimization, but not hierarchical
 - HCAF: hierarchical tiling with static info for locality optimization
- Hierarchical Place Trees and Titanium Hierarchical Teams
 - HPTs model locality only intra-node and are global & fixed at startup
 - Titanium teams are programmable & modular, but model only inter-node locality
 - HCAF: programmable, modular teams extending inter-node to intra-node
- Topology Mapping
 - Two approaches: graph-based (LibTopoMap) and tree-based (TreeMatch, Rubik)
 - TreeMatch maps arbitrary-size trees, but trees are unordered
 - Rubik uses Cartesian topologies but maps same-size trees
 - HCAF: maps arbitrary-size trees with Cartesian topologies
- Dynamic Parallelism & Work Stealing (X10, Habanero, HotSLAW et al)
 - Locality-aware fork-join parallelism + parallel loops based on fork-join
 - Sophisticated inter- and intra-node hierarchical work stealing algorithms
 - HCAF: same, but with more static info for locality optimization

Opportunity: Statically-known Hierarchical Tiling

[Our] current implementation as a library forces to use dynamic analysis techniques to determine the communication patterns required when data is to be shuffled among processors. A compiler could calculate statically those patterns when they are regular enough, and generate a code with less overhead.

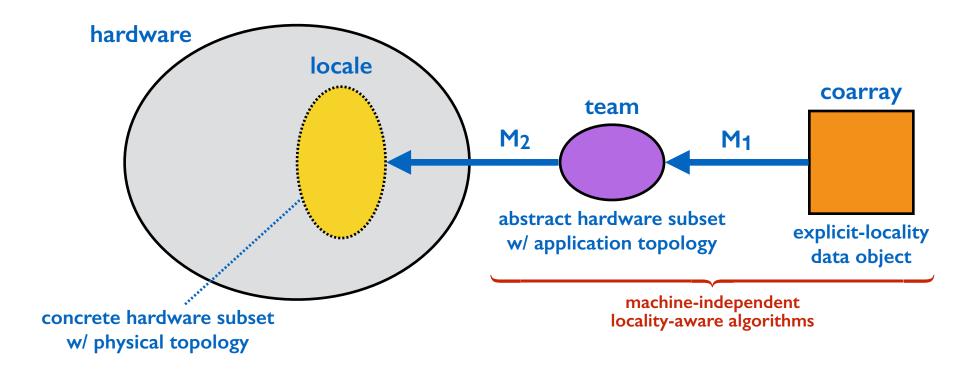
"Programming for Parallelism and Locality with Hierarchically Tiled Arrays", Bikshandi et al, 2006.

(emphasis added)

Cross-component optimization is essential to attain reasonable performance. For languages like HPF, compilers synthesize message passing communication operations and manage local buffers. Interprocedural analysis can reduce the frequency and volume of communication significantly. In the HTA library, communication optimization is in the hands of the programmer. A possible concern is that the programmer may not use the library efficiently.

"Optimization Techniques for Efficient HTA Programs", Fraguela, Bikshandi, et al, 2012. (summarized)

Opportunity: Machine-independent Explicit Locality



all hierarchical

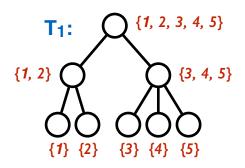
- Locale denotes a relatively compact subset of hardware
- Team provides abstraction of hardware subset with desired topology
- Coarray exposes data locality for explicit management by application
- Map M₁ distributes coarray over application topology
- Map M₂ embeds application topology into physical topology

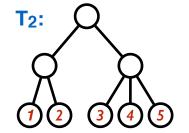
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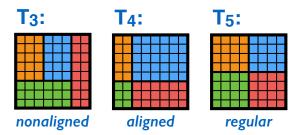
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Hierarchy: Basic Concepts

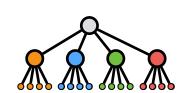
- Hierarchy here means recursive partitioning
 - ... of a finite set
 - Each set in the hierarchy has an associated partition into subsets
 - A hierarchy may be viewed as a tree of sets in two ways
 - Consider the hierarchy { { {1}, {2} }, { {3}, {4}, {5} } }
 - T₁ has nodes labeled with *included* sets
 - T₂ has leaves labeled with owned sets;
 an interior node's included set is the union of its children's included sets
 - We use T₁ for natural global / local view, but T₂ describes hardware
 - HCAF uses hierarchies to represent locality
 - · A subtree denotes a neighborhood of things relatively close together
 - A node's children subdivide it into smaller, closer neighborhoods
- Tiling here means rectangular partitioning
 - ... of a rectangular *n*-dimensional grid into *tiles*, also rectangular
 - A tiling may be nonaligned, aligned, or regular [1]
- Hierarchical tiling means recursive rectangular partitioning
 - Each tile is partitioned into a set of *sub-tiles*
 - Can be viewed as a hierarchy or tree with rectangular structure





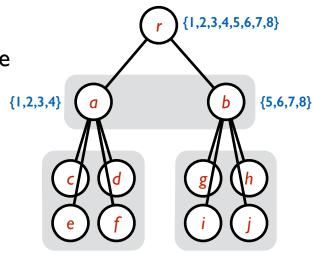






Cartesian Resource Hierarchies

- The structure underlying locales, teams, and coarrays
- A Cartesian resource hierarchy is a tuple (V, E, $\{A_r\}$, \mathcal{K}) where
 - (V, E, A) is a rooted attributed tree with $A = \{A_r\} \cup \{\mathcal{K}\}$
 - Each A_r is a resource attribute function of type R_r
 - \mathcal{K} is the topology function which assigns to each interior node $n \in V$ with children C_n a Cartesian topology $\mathcal{K}(n)$ for C_n
- A resource attribute function of type R is some $f: V \to \mathcal{P}(R)$ where
 - R is a finite set of resource elements and $\mathcal{P}(R)$ is the power set of R
 - $\forall n \in V$ with children C_n : $\{f(c) \mid c \in C_n\}$ is a partition of f(n)
 - \forall leaf $n \in V$: f(n) is a singleton
- A Cartesian topology for V is a function $t: \mathcal{D}_k \to V$ where
 - t is one-to-one (need not be onto)
 - $\mathcal{D}_k = \prod_i [L_i, U_i]$ is a k-dimensional Cartesian domain (ie with rank k)
 - $\{L_i\}$ and $\{U_i\}$ are the lower and upper bounds of \mathcal{D}_k
 - The shape of the topology is $(U_1 L_1, U_2 L_2, \dots U_k L_k)$

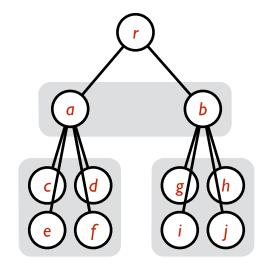


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$$\mathcal{K}(r):$$
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Characterization of Cartesian Hierarchies

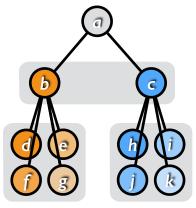
- A d-uniform hierarchy is one where every leaf has depth d
- A d-ranked hierarchy is one where
 - Every leaf node has depth $\geq d$
 - $\forall d' < d \exists k_{d'}$ s.t. every node of depth d' has a topology of rank $k_{d'}$
 - Then the **d-rank** of the hierarchy is $(k_0, k_2, ..., k_{d-1})$
 - A *ranked* hierarchy is *d*-ranked and *d*-uniform for some *d*; then $(k_0, k_2, ..., k_{d-1})$ is its rank
- A d-regular hierarchy is one where
 - The hierarchy is d-ranked
 - $\forall d' < d \exists S_{d'}$ s.t. every node of depth d' has a topology of shape $S_{d'}$
 - Then the **d-shape** of the hierarchy is $(S_0, S_2, ..., S_{d-1})$
 - A regular hierarchy is d-regular and d-uniform for some d; then $(S_0, S_2, ..., S_{d-1})$ is its shape
- HCAF uses these properties for security and efficiency:
 - Locales and teams are ranked; coarrays are regular (but not sections)
 - Types of hierarchical objects have d-rank type parameters for type checking and optimization of subscripts and loops (and additional info about distribution and communication)



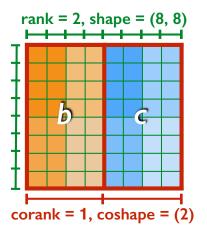
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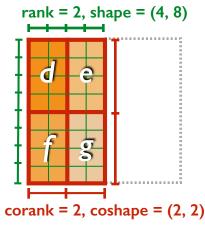
Tiled Resource Hierarchies

- A tiled resource hierarchy is a tuple $(V, E, \mathcal{K}, \{A_r\}, \mathcal{T})$ where
 - (V, E, \mathcal{K} , $\{A_r\}$) is a Cartesian resource hierarchy
 - $A_t \in \{A_r\}$ is the *tiled resource* of type R_t
 - \mathcal{T} is the *tiling function*, a resource attribute assigning to each node $n \in V$ a Cartesian topology $\mathcal{T}(n)$ for $A_t(n)$ which satisfies certain conditions
- R_t is the set of tiled elements, $A_t(n) \subset R_t$ is the tile at n, and $\mathcal{T}(n)$ is the element topology at n
 - T(n) specifies an index tuple for each tile element of n's tile
- T must satisfy tiling conditions at every $n \in V$ with children C_n :
 - $\{\mathcal{T}(c) \mid c \in C_n\}$ is a partition of $\mathcal{T}(n)$, viewing the functions as sets of pairs
 - The tile at n has rank k and bounds $[L_i]$ and $[U_i]$ of \mathcal{D}_k , where $\mathcal{T}(n): \mathcal{D}_k \to V$
 - Thus a given tile element has the same indices at every level of tiling;
 HCAF uses this convention for subscripting teams and coarrays
- Rank and shape are defined for both elements and tiles at a node:
 - We use rank, shape, and size for the element-wise topology at a node
 - · We use corank, coshape, and cosize for the tile-wise topology at a node



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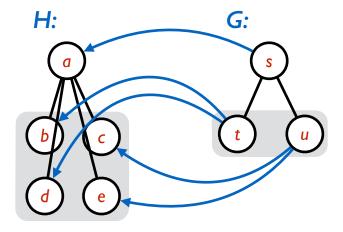


Hierarchy Maps

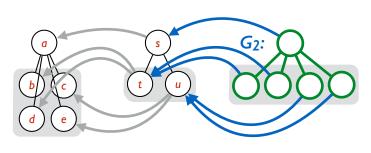
- A hierarchy map M from G to H is a tuple (G, H, m) where
 - $m: V_G \to \mathcal{P}(V_H)$ is descendant-preserving, i.e. if $p, q \in V_G$ and p is a descendant of q, then $\forall r \in m(p) \exists s \in m(q)$ such that r is a descendant of s
 - This preserves our notion of locality (relative closeness)
 - · Cartesian topologies are not preserved, but should be "respected"
- Hierarchy maps adapt an application's virtual hierarchies to fit the current job's hardware hierarchy
 - A hierarchical team is mapped to a set of processors (with corresponding hierarchical structure)
 - A hierarchical coarray is mapped to a set of memories (with corresponding hierarchical structure)
 - Hierarchy map composition provides modularity:
 e.g. if H is the hardware and G is a team passed to a library,
 the library realizes its preferred team structure G₂
 by composing a new map with G's existing map:

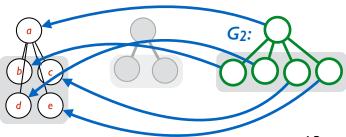
$$G_2 \rightarrow G \rightarrow H$$

- Goodness of maps and finding good ones are TBD
 - But there are many relevant papers & working systems

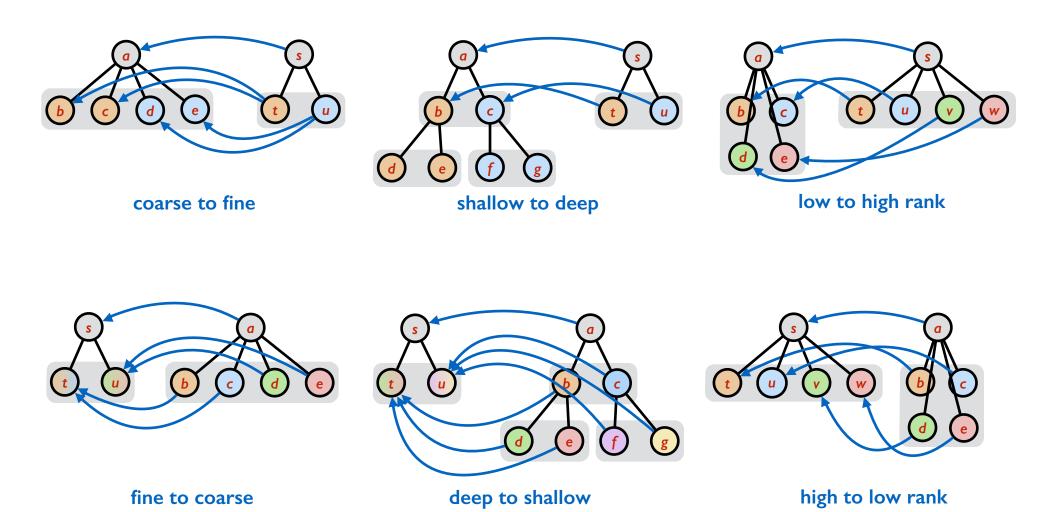


t is a descendant of s $m(t) = \{b, d\}, m(s) = \{a\}$ b is a descendant of a \checkmark d is a descendant of a \checkmark

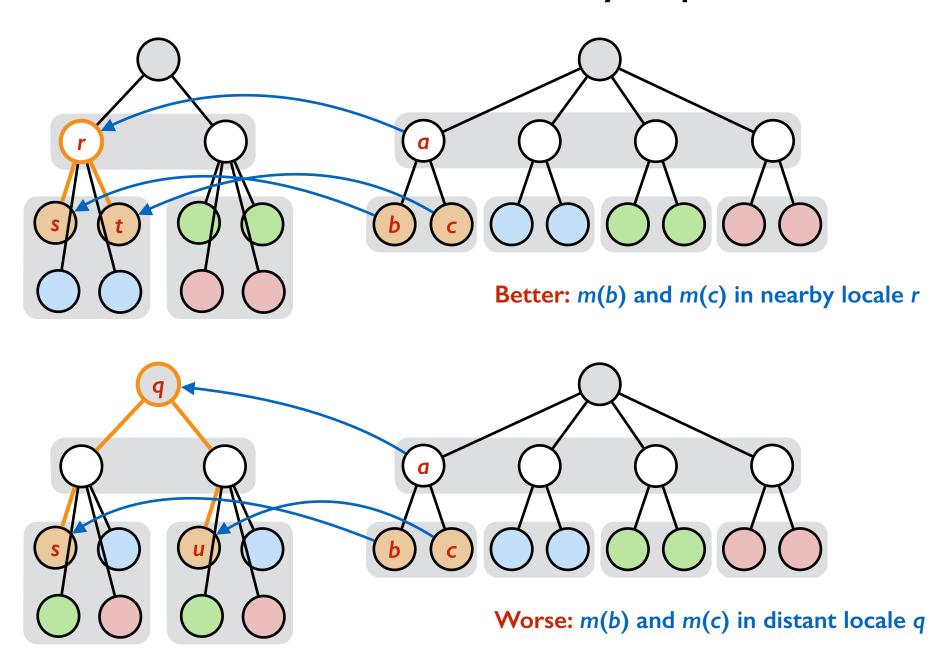




Hierarchy Map Examples

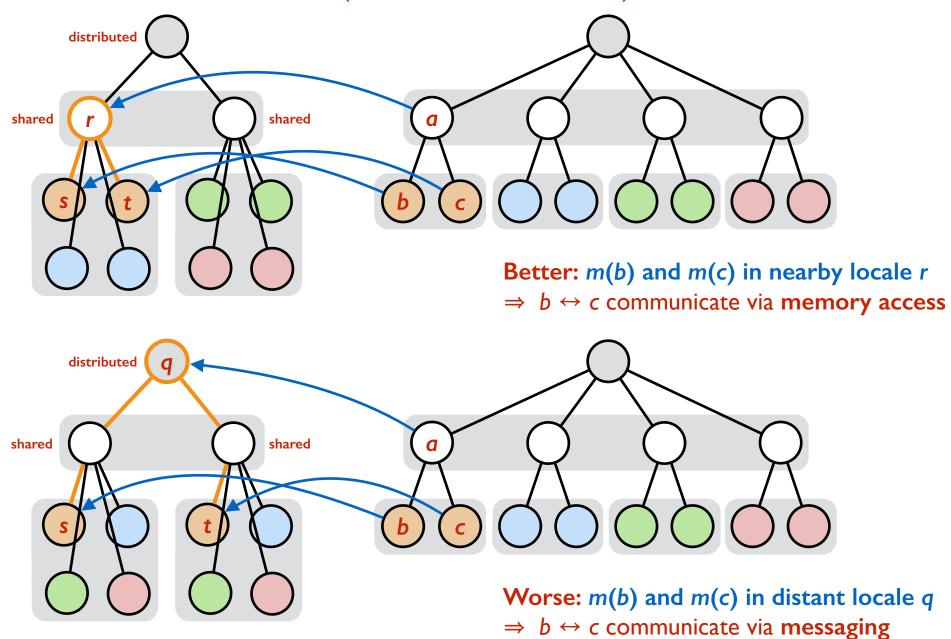


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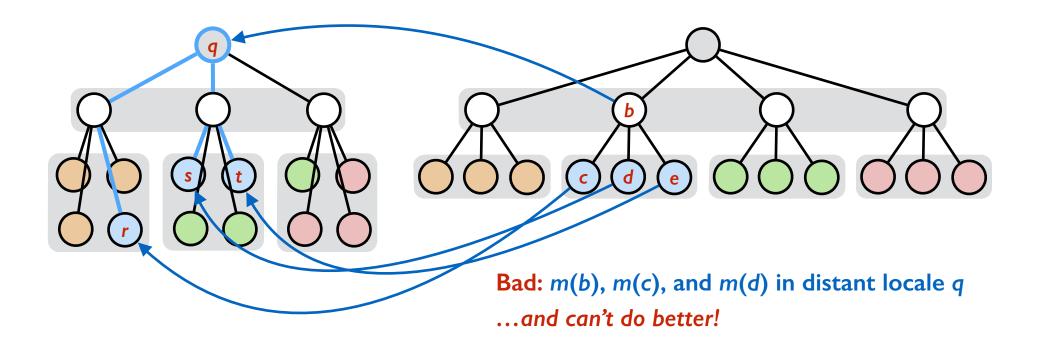


Goodness of Hierarchy Maps

(hierarchical team → hardware)



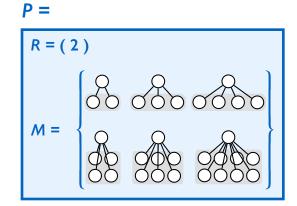
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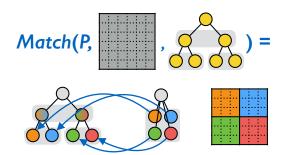


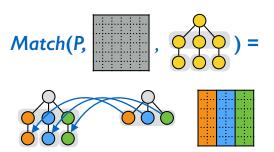
- Best mapping between a given pair of hierarchies may not be great
 - How serious this is depends on the situation
 - E.g. the map above may be fine if all target locales are shared-memory
- For best results: choose a source hierarchy that maps well to target
- HCAF's answer for this is tiling patterns

Tiling Patterns

- A tiling pattern is a pair P = (R, M) where
 - $R = (k_0, k_2, ..., k_{d-1})$ is a d-rank
 - M is a possibly infinite set of tiled resource hierarchies with d-rank R,
 comprising all the matches of P
- A matching function is some Match : (P, \mathcal{D}_k , H_T) \mapsto (H_0 , m) where
 - $P = ((k_0, k_2, ..., k_{d-1}), M)$ is the tiling pattern to be matched
 - \mathcal{D}_k is the input domain, a Cartesian domain with rank $k = k_0$
 - H_T is the **target** *hierarchy*, a tiled resource hierarchy that the match result should conform to
 - $H_0 \in M$ is the output hierarchy, a tiled resource hierarchy satisfying:
 - $H_R \in M$, i.e. the output hierarchy matches the pattern P
 - Domain(T(r)) = D_k, where r is the root of H₀;
 i.e. the top level tile of H₀ is the input domain,
 i.e. the input domain is tiled by P to give the output hierarchy
 - m is the output hierarchy map from H_R to H_T ; i.e. a view of the output hierarchy as an abstraction of the target
- Of course we prefer that m be a good hierarchy map





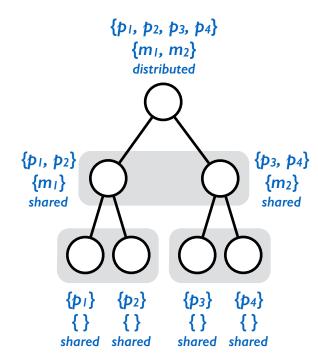


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Locales: Hierarchical Machine Topology

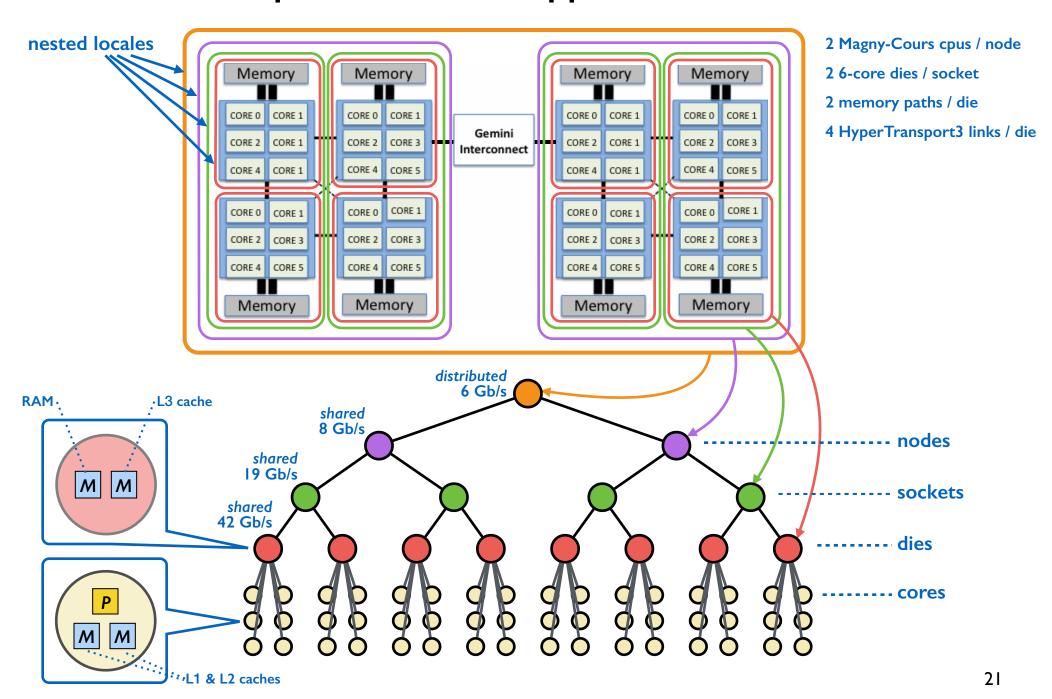
- Locales are units of computer hardware locality
 - Nested regions of a parallel computer containing computing resources which are relatively close in terms of communication cost
 - E.g. cores, dies, sockets, nodes, boards, chassis, cabinets, ...
- A locale is a Cartesian resource hierarchy (V, E, A, \mathcal{K}) where
 - V is the set of regions and E is the containment relation among them
 - $A = \{Procs, Mems, Comm\}$ describes each locale's computing elements
 - Procs: $V \to \mathcal{P}(P)$ is the processor resource function
 - P is the set of processors (hardware threads)
 - $Procs(e) = \{p_1, p_2, ...\}$ is the set of processors contained in locale e
 - Mems: $V \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(M)$ is the memory resource function
 - M is the set of memories (RAMs or caches)
 - $Mems(e) = \{m_1, m_2, ...\}$ is the set of memories contained in locale e
 - Comm : $V \rightarrow \{distributed, shared\}$ is the communication attribute function
 - distributed and shared denote respectively communication via message passing and memory reference
 - Comm(e) is the worst-case communication kind among elements of e
 - Require that no shared locale has a distributed sub-locale



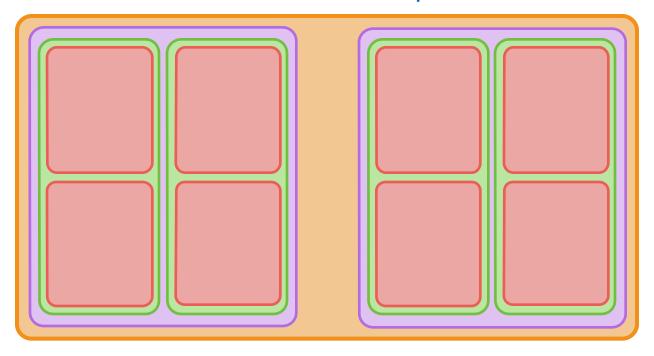
$$P = \{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4\}$$

 $M = \{m_1, m_2\}$

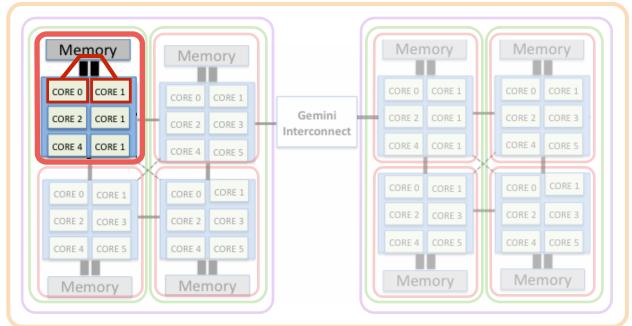
Example Locale: 2 Hopper 24-core Nodes



locales = hierarchically partitioned address spaces smaller locale = closer elements = cheaper communication



- Any processor can access any address space
- Speed of access is modeled by the smallest enclosing locale of a processor and the other processor or memory it accesses
- Equivalently, by the *lowest common ancestor node* in the corresponding Cartesian resource hierarchy



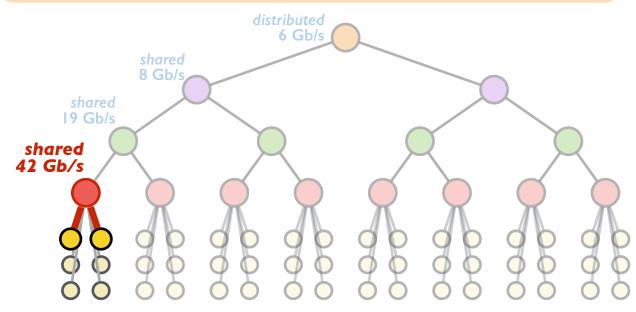
finest partition of address space

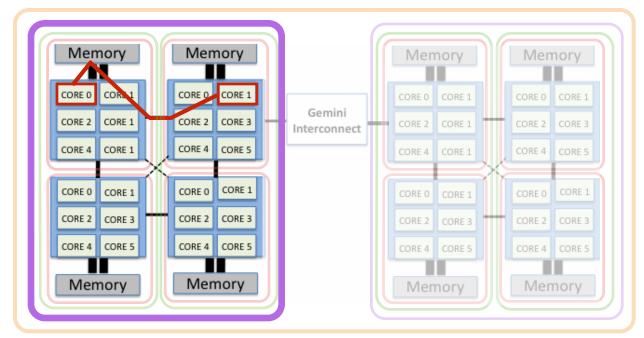
innermost locale

one die

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shared-memory comm at 42 Gb/s





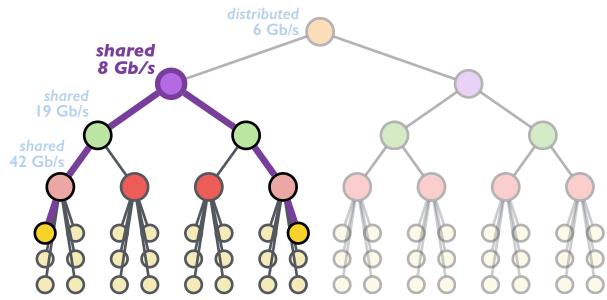
mid-level partition of address space

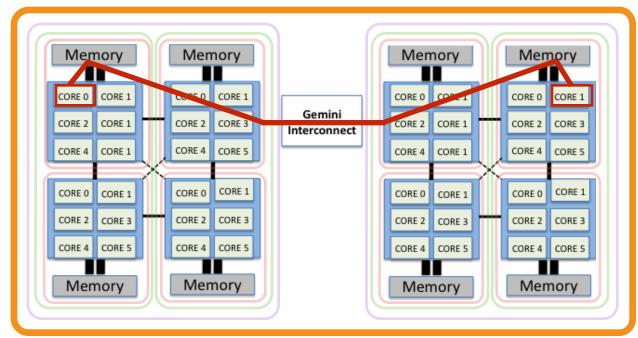
mid-level locale

one node

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shared-memory comm at 8 Gb/s





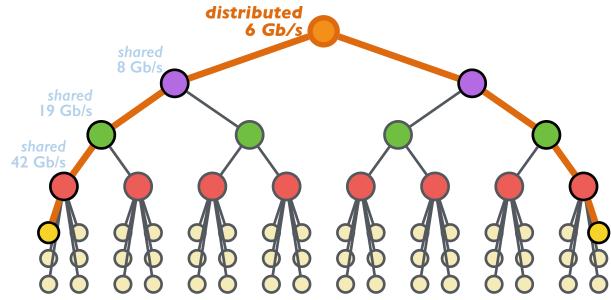
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top-level locale

two nodes

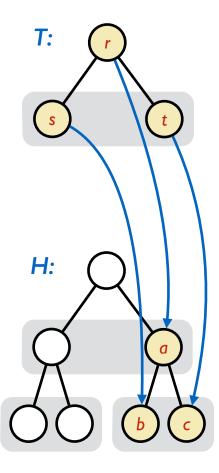
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distributed-memory comm at 6 Gb/s



Teams: Hierarchical Processor Groups

- Teams are groups of hardware processors (cores)
 - Nested sets of processors which are relatively close in communication cost
 - Teams specify sets of processors and inherit sets of memories
 - Teams serve as abstract locales to isolate application from hardware details
- A team is a Cartesian resource hierarchy $T = (V, E, A, \mathcal{K})$ where
 - V is the set of subteams and E is the containment relation among them
 - A = {Procs, Mems, Comm} just as for locales
- A team has a hierarchy map $m: V_T \to \mathcal{P}(V_H)$ where
 - *H* is the hardware locale (root)
 - m(r) is typically a *sub-locale* of the hardware locale, where r the root of T; it denotes the *machine subset implementing* T
 - Procs(r) is the team's set of processors, possibly a subset of Procs(m(r))
 - m describes how the team's processors are distributed on the machine
- Consider a team as a *hierarchy of processors*, with its memories just inherited from its associated locale:
 - Require $\forall t \in V : Mems(t) = Mems(m(t))$
 - These are the memories close to the team's processors
- A team is mapped to hardware by the map m



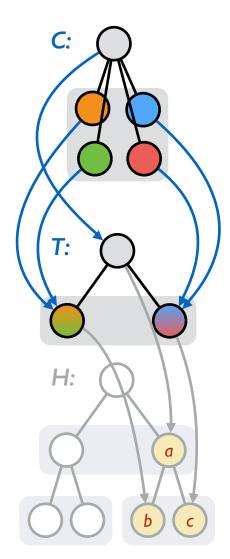
Teams: Locality-aware Parallelism

- Teams are resources for parallel execution
 - Not a set of images or threads, but a set of processors (w/ nearby memories)
 - Basic unit of parallelism: spawn task on team (controls execution locality at arbitrary grain)
 - Team's processors cooperate to execute in parallel all tasks spawned on it
 - Team's memories hold tasks' stack frames & heap-allocated objects (by default)
- Uniform model for all concurrency in HCAF
 - Task parallelism: like async/finish XIO, Habanero, Chapel, CAF 2.0
 - Loop parallelism: iterations are spawned on current team like X10 ateach
 - Data parallelism: array intrinsics implemented as parallel loops
 - Both intra-node and inter-node spawning are supported
- Hierarchical work-stealing scheduler per team
 - Similar to place schedulers in Habanero's Hierarchical Place Trees
 - Both distributed-memory and shared-memory work stealing are supported
 - Implementation
 - Berkeley HotSLAW; Quintin & Wagner; Olivier & Prins; Saraswat, Paudel et al; etc
 - May be complicated by HCAF's programmable teams

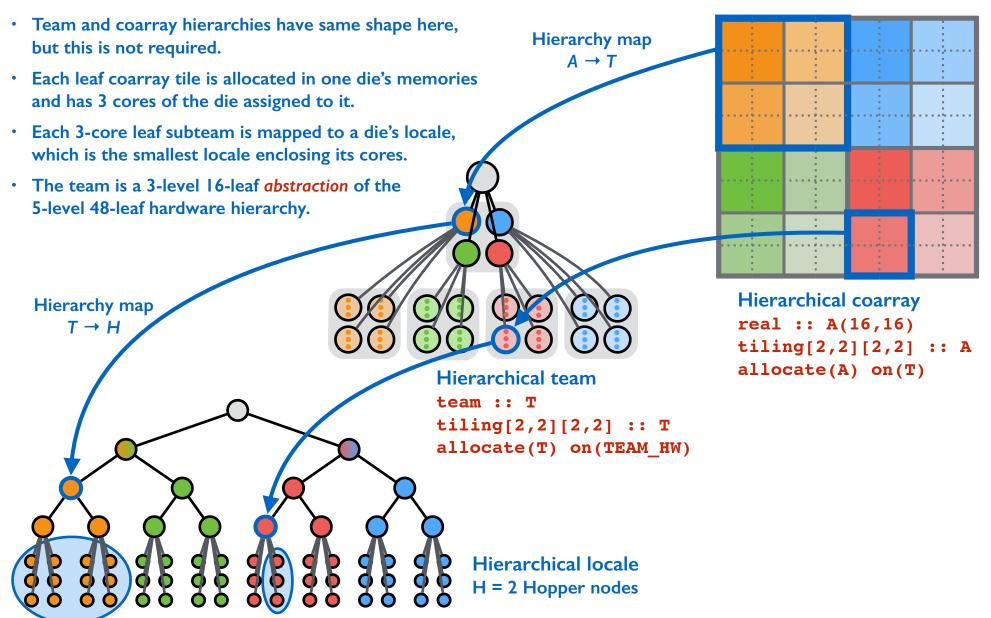
Coarrays: Hierarchical Data Objects

- Coarrays are tiled groups of storage locations (elements)
 - Nested tiles of elements which are *relatively close* in communication cost
 - · Coarrays specify sets of elements and inherit processors and memories
 - · Coarrays are allocated on teams and their tiles are placed in teams' memories
- A coarray is a tiled resource hierarchy $C = (V, E, \mathcal{K}, A, \mathcal{T})$ where
 - V is the set of sub-tiles and E is the containment relation among them
 - $A = \{Elems, Procs, Mems, Comm\}$ where $Elems \rightarrow storage$ locations in each tile
 - Elems(r) is the coarray's top level (global-view) tile and $\mathcal{T}(r)$ is the tile's shape
- A coarray has a hierarchy map $m: V_C \to \mathcal{P}(V_T)$ where
 - T is the team on which C is allocated
 - m(r) is typically the root of the team, where r is the root of C
 - m describes how the coarray's tiles are distributed on the team
- Consider a coarray as a hierarchy of elements, with its processors and memories just inherited from its associated team:
 - Require $\forall c \in V_C$: Procs(c) = Procs(m(c)) and Mems(c) = Mems(m(c))
 - These are the processors owning and memories storing the coarray
- A coarray is mapped to hardware by the composition $C \rightarrow T \rightarrow H$





Example: Coarray on Team on 2 Hopper Nodes



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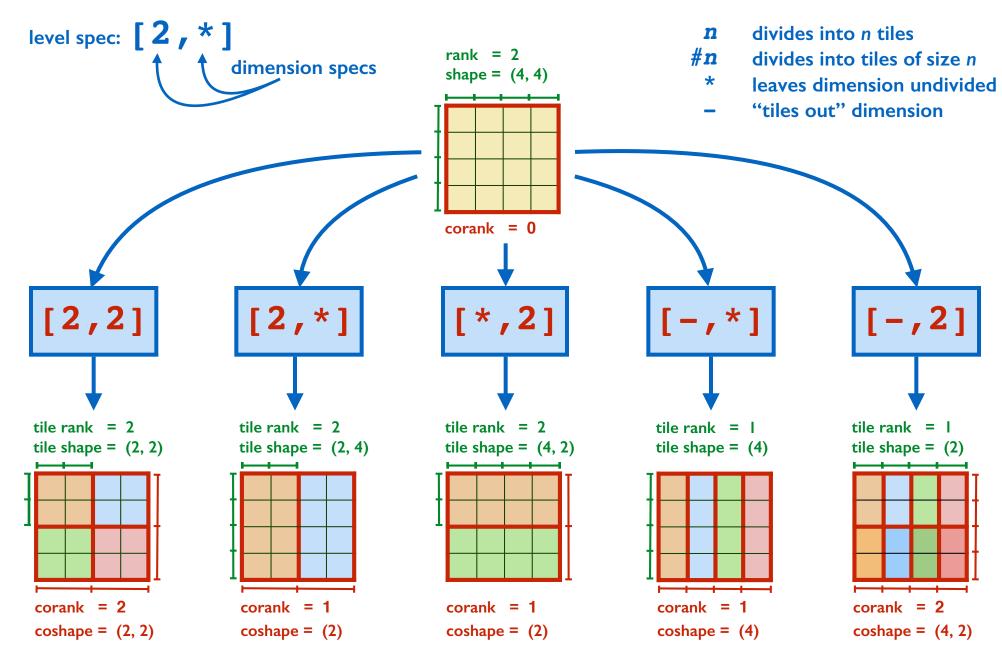
Problem:

- Locality-aware applications and optimizers statically depend on hierarchy shape
- Hardware hierarchy is known only at runtime (cf. machine type & job scheduler)
- · Need abstraction to decouple application's virtual hierarchies from machine's real hierarchy
- But manually mapping virtual to real is difficult

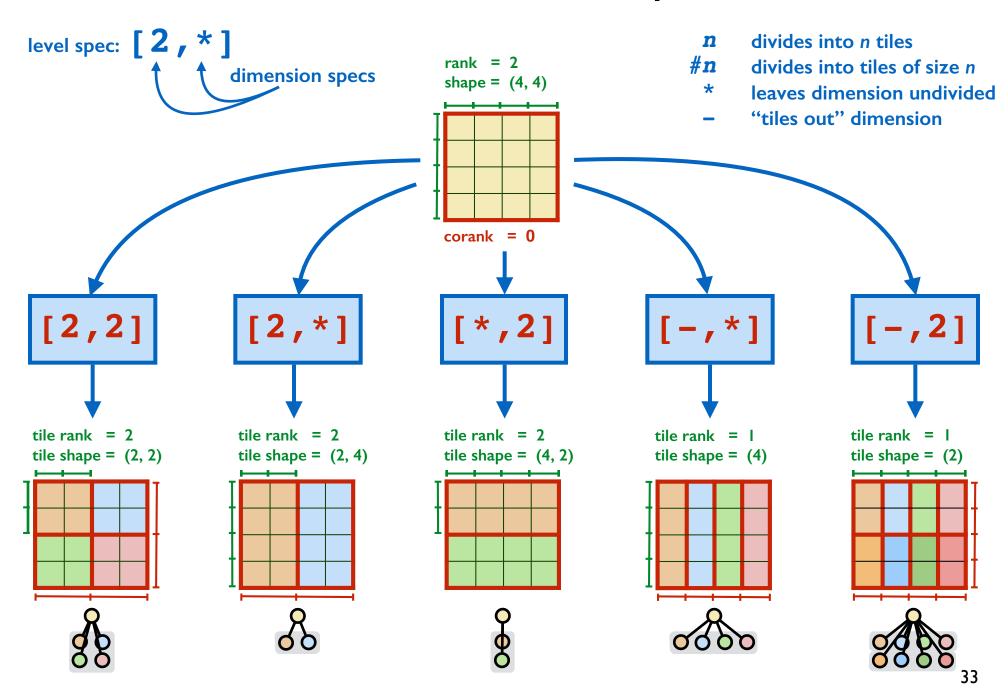
Solution:

- Tiling pattern describes a set of desirable hierarchies
- · Compiler statically optimizes using properties common to all set members
- · Runtime dynamically chooses desirable hierarchy with a good mapping to hardware
- Tiling pattern specication defines:
 - Hierarchy rank (first d levels) and set of hierarchy coshapes
 - Required communication kind at each level (distributed vs shared memory)
 - Tile distributions and Rubik-style tilts/shifts/etc
- Example: tiling pattern P with hierarchy rank (2,1)

Level and Dimension Specs

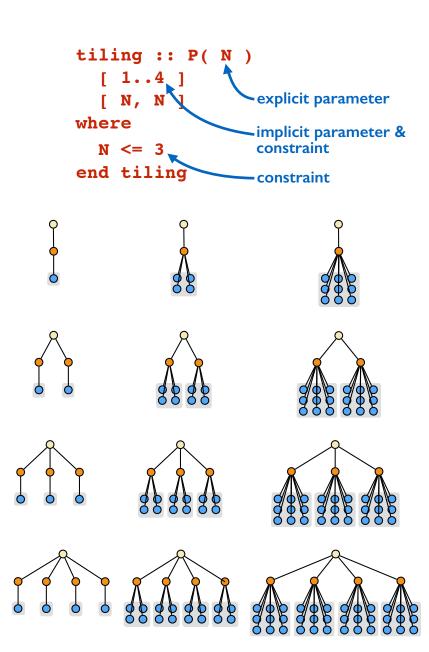


Level and Dimension Specs



Parameters and Constraints

- Parametrized pattern specifies a set of hierarchies
 - · Parameters are positive integer variables local to pattern
 - Constraints are arithmetic predicates over parameters
 - An instantiation is an assignment of values to parameters
 s.t. all constraints are satisfied
 - Pattern matching:
 - Given hierarchy H, pattern P, and input tile T, find instantiation P' of P and H' = tiling(T, P') s.t.
 ∃ "good" mapping M: H' → H
 - Result is (H', M)
- Implicit parameter = unnamed param + constraint
 - Range: expr . . expr
- Extents in dimension-specs are Fortran exprs
 - Treated like array bound expressions
- Dimension-specs have lower and upper bounds
 - Like array bounds: extent : extent
 - Empty lower bound
 = 1, empty upper bound = any
 0 : 7..15 ⇒ 8 ≤ n ≤ 16 elements indexed from 0
 - $\Rightarrow n > 0$ elements indexed from 1



Distribution and Communication Specs

- Distribution specifier modifies dimension-spec
 - Specifies a dimension's assignment of elements to tiles i.e partially specifies $\mathcal{T}(c)$ at each child c of tiled node
 - Classic distribution specs like HPF:

Additional distribution specs like Rubik

tilt tile boundary tilted

zigzag tile boundary zig-zagged

zorder space filling curve

- Default distribution is block, yields conventional tiling
- Communication specifier modifies level-spec
 - Specifies worst-case communication type at level
 ⇒ acts as a constraint in pattern matching
 - Types of communication:

distmemmessage passingsharedmemmemory access

image SPMD program instance (shared)

any unspecified (the default)

