



OpenACC

API 2.5

The OpenACC Application Program Interface describes a collection of compiler directives to specify loops and regions of code in standard C, C++ and Fortran to be offloaded from a host CPU to an attached accelerator device, providing portability across operating systems, host CPUs and accelerators.

Most OpenACC directives apply to the immediately following structured block or loop; a structured block is a single statement or a compound statement (C and C++) or a sequence of statements (Fortran) with a single entry point at the top and a single exit at the bottom.

General Syntax

C/C++

#pragma acc *directive [clause [,] clause]... new-line*

FORTRAN

!\$acc *directive [clause [,] clause]...*

An OpenACC construct is an OpenACC directive and, if applicable, the immediately following statement, loop or structured block.

Parallel Construct

A **parallel** construct launches a number of gangs executing in parallel, where each gang may support multiple workers, each with vector or SIMD operations.

C/C++

```
#pragma acc parallel [clause [,] clause...] new-line  
{ structured block }
```

FORTRAN

```
!$acc parallel [clause [,] clause...]  
structured block  
!$acc end parallel
```

Compute Construct and Data clauses are also allowed; data clauses on the parallel construct modify the structured reference counts for the associated data.

OTHER CLAUSES

reduction(operator: list)

A private copy of each variable in *list* is allocated for each gang. The values for all gangs are combined with the *operator* at the end of the parallel region. Valid C and C++ operators are **+**, *****, **max**, **min**, **&**, **|**, **^**, **&&**, **||**. Valid Fortran operators are **+**, *****, **max**, **min**, **iand**, **ior**, **ieor**, **.and.**, **.or.**, **.eqv.**, **.neqv.**

private(list)

A copy of each variable in *list* is allocated for each gang.

firstprivate(list)

A copy of each variable in *list* is allocated for each gang and initialized with the value of the variable of the encountering thread.

Kernels Construct

A **kernels** construct surrounds loops to be executed on the device, typically as a sequence of kernel operations.

C/C++

```
#pragma acc kernels [clause [,] clause...] new-line  
{ structured block }
```

FORTRAN

```
!$acc kernels [clause [,] clause...]  
structured block  
!$acc end kernels
```

Compute Construct and Data clauses are also allowed; data clauses on the kernels construct modify the structured reference counts for the associated data.

Compute Construct Clauses

if(condition)

When the *condition* is nonzero or .TRUE. the kernels region will execute on the device; otherwise, the encountering thread will execute the region.

default(none)

Prevents the compiler from implicitly determining data attributes for any variable used or assigned in the construct.

default(present)

Implicitly assume any non-scalar data not specified in a data clause is present.

device_type or **dtype([*|device-type-list])**

May be followed by any of the clauses below. Clauses following **device_type** will apply only when compiling for the given device type(s). Clauses following **device_type(*)** apply to all devices not named in another **device_type** clause.

async [(expression)]

The kernels region executes asynchronously with the encountering thread on the corresponding async queue.

wait [(expression-list)]

The kernels region will not begin execution until all actions on the corresponding async queue(s) are complete.

num_gangs(expression)

Controls how many parallel gangs are created.

num_workers(expression)

Controls how many workers are created in each gang.

vector_length(expression)

Controls the vector length on each worker.

Data Construct

An device **data** construct defines a region of the program within which data is accessible by the device.

C/C++

```
#pragma acc data [clause[,] clause]... new-line  
{ structured block }
```

FORTRAN

```
!$acc data [clause[,] clause]...  
structured block  
!$acc end data
```

Data clauses are also allowed; data clauses on the data construct modify the structured reference counts for the associated data.

OTHER CLAUSES

if(condition)

When the *condition* is zero or .FALSE. no data will be allocated or moved to or from the device.

Enter Data Directive

An **enter data** directive is used to allocate and move data to the device memory for the remainder of the program, or until a matching **exit data** directive deallocates the data.

C/C++

```
#pragma acc enter data [clause[[,] clause]...] new-line
```

FORTRAN

```
!$acc enter data [clause[[,] clause]...]
```

CLAUSES

if(*condition*)

When the *condition* is zero or .FALSE. no data will be allocated or moved to the device.

async [(*expression*)]

The data movement executes asynchronously with the encountering thread on the corresponding async queue.

wait [(*expression-list*)]

The data movement will not begin execution until all actions on the corresponding async queue(s) are complete.

copyin(*list*)

create(*list*)

See Data Clauses; data clauses on the enter data directive modify the dynamic reference counts for the associated data.

Exit Data Directive

For data that was created with the **enter data** directive. the **exit data** directive moves data from device memory and deallocates the memory,

C/C++

```
#pragma acc exit data [clause[[,] clause]...] new-line
```

FORTRAN

```
!$acc exit data [clause[[,] clause]...]
```

CLAUSES

if(*condition*)

When the *condition* is zero or .FALSE. no data will be moved from the device or deallocated.

async [(*expression*)]

The data movement executes asynchronously with the encountering thread on the corresponding async queue.

wait [(*expression-list*)]

The data movement will not begin execution until all actions on the corresponding async queue(s) are complete.

finalize

Sets the dynamic reference count to zero.

copyout(*list*)

delete(*list*)

acc_get_default_async()

Returns the async queue used by default when no queue is specified in an async clause.

acc_set_default_async()

Sets the default async queue used by default when no queue is specified on an async clause.

acc_on_device(devicetype)

In a **parallel** or **kernels** region, this is used to take different execution paths depending on whether the program is running on a device or on the host.

acc_malloc(size_t)

Returns the address of memory allocated on the device device.

acc_free(d_void*)

Frees memory allocated by **acc_malloc**.

acc_map_data(h_void*, d_void*, size_t)

Creates a new data lifetime for the host address, using the device data in the device address, with the data length in bytes.

acc_unmap_data(h_void*)

Unmaps the data lifetime previously created for the host address by **acc_map_data**.

acc_deviceptr(h_void*)

Returns the device pointer associated with a host address. Returns NULL if the host address is not present on the device.

acc_hostptr(d_void*)

Returns the host pointer associated with a device address. Returns NULL if the device address is not associated with a host address.

acc_memcpy_to_device(d_void*, h_void*, size_t)**acc_memcpy_to_device_async(d_void*, h_void*, size_t, int)**

Copies data from the local thread memory to the device.

acc_memcpy_from_device(h_void*, d_void*, size_t)**acc_memcpy_from_device_async(h_void*, d_void*, size_t, int)**

Copies data from the device to the local thread memory.

acc_memcpy_device(d_void*, d_void*, size_t)**acc_memcpy_device_async(d_void*, d_void*, size_t, int)**

Copies data from one device memory location to another.

DATA MOVEMENT ROUTINES

The following data routines are called with C prototype:

```
routine( h_void*, size_t )
```

and in Fortran with interface:

```
subroutine routine( a )  
  type, dimension(:[:]....) :: a  
subroutine routine( a, len )  
  type :: a  
  integer :: len
```

The async versions are called with C prototype:

```
routine_async( h_void*, size_t, int )
```

and in Fortran with interface:

```
subroutine routine_async( a, async )  
  type, dimension(:[:]....) :: a  
  integer :: async  
subroutine routine( a, len, async )  
  type :: a  
  integer :: len, async
```

acc_copyin, acc_copyin_async

Acts like an **enter data** directive with a **copyin** clause. Tests if the data is present, and if not allocates memory on and copies data to the current device. Increments the dynamic reference count.

acc_create, acc_create_async

Acts like an **enter data** directive with a **create** clause. Tests if the data is present, and if not allocates memory on the current device. Increments the dynamic reference count.

acc_copyout, acc_copyout_async

Acts like an **exit data** directive with a **copyout** and no **finalize** clause. Decrements the dynamic reference count. If both reference counts are zero, copies data from and deallocates memory on the current device.

acc_copyout_finalize, acc_copyout_finalize_async

Acts like an **exit data** directive with a **copyout** and **finalize** clause. Zeros the dynamic reference count. If both reference counts are zero, copies data from and deallocates memory on the current device.

acc_delete, acc_delete_async

Acts like an **exit data** directive with a **delete** and no **finalize** clause. Decrements the dynamic reference count. If both reference counts are zero, deallocates memory on the current device.

acc_delete_finalize, acc_delete_finalize_async

Acts like an **exit data** directive with a **delete** and a **finalize** clause. Zeros the dynamic reference count. If both reference counts are zero, deallocates memory on the current device.

acc_update_device, acc_update_device_async

Acts like an **update** directive with a **device** clause. Updates the corresponding device memory from the host memory.

acc_update_self, acc_update_self_async

Acts like an **update** directive with a **self** clause. Updates the host memory from the corresponding device memory.

acc_is_present

Tests whether the specified host data is present on the device. Returns nonzero or .TRUE. if the data is fully present on the device.

Environment Variables

ACC_DEVICE_TYPE *device*

The variable specifies the device type to which to connect. This can be overridden with a call to **acc_set_device_type**.

ACC_DEVICE_NUM *num*

The variable specifies the device number to which to connect. This can be overridden with a call to **acc_set_device_num**.

Conditional Compilation

The `_OPENACC` preprocessor macro is defined to have value `yyyymm` when compiled with OpenACC directives enabled. The version described here has value `201510`.

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