
COMP 322: Fundamentals of Parallel Programming

Lecture 13: Forall Statements & Barriers (contd)

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HJ's forall statement = finish + forasync + barriers (next)

```
AtomicInteger rank = new AtomicInteger();
forall (point[i] : [0:m-1]) {
    int r = rank.getAndIncrement();
    System.out.println("Hello from task ranked " + r);
next; // Acts as barrier between phases 0 and 1
    System.out.println("Goodbye from task ranked " + r);
}
```

Phase 0

Phase 1

- **next** → each forall iteration suspends at next until all iterations arrive (complete previous phase), after which the phase can be advanced
 - If a forall iteration terminates before executing "next", then the other iterations do not wait for it
 - Scope of synchronization is the closest enclosing forall statement
 - Special case of "phaser" construct (will be covered in following lectures)



Recap of Observation 2 (Lecture 12): If a forall iteration terminates before “next”, then other iterations do not wait for it

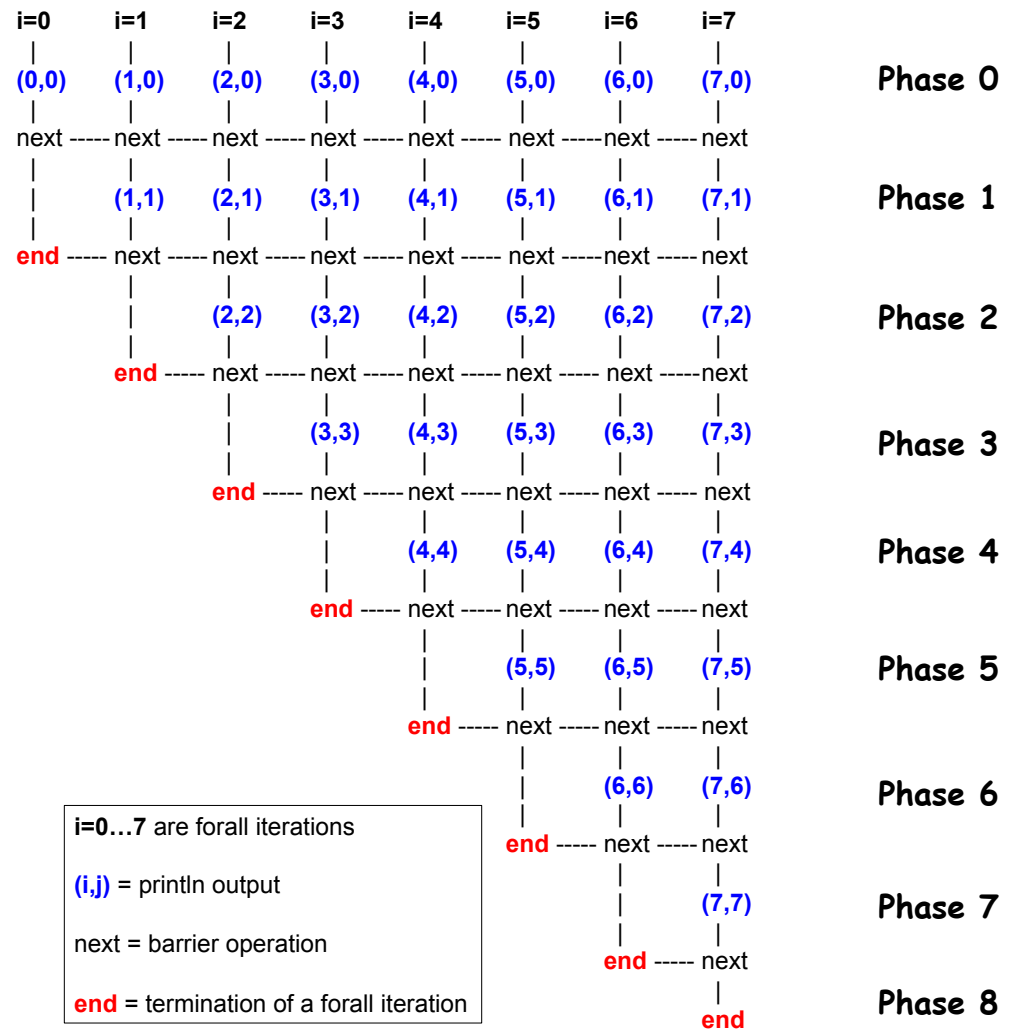
```
1. forall (point[i] : [0:m-1]) {
2.     for (point[j] : [0:i]) {
3.         // Forall iteration i is executing phase j
4.         System.out.println("(" + i + "," + j + ")");
5.         next;
6.     }
7. }
```

- Outer forall-i loop has m iterations, 0...m-1
- Inner sequential j loop has i+1 iterations, 0...i
- Line 4 prints (task,phase) = (i, j) before performing a next operation.
- Iteration i = 0 of the forall-i loop prints (0, 0), performs a next, and then terminates. Iteration i = 1 of the forall-i loop prints (1,0), performs a next, prints (1,1), performs a next, and then terminates. And so on.



Illustration of Observation 2

- Iteration $i=0$ of the forall- i loop prints $(0, 0)$ in Phase 0, performs a next, and then ends Phase 1 by terminating.
- Iteration $i=1$ of the forall- i loop prints $(1,0)$ in Phase 0, performs a next, prints $(1,1)$ in Phase 1, performs a next, and then ends Phase 2 by terminating.
- And so on until iteration $i=8$ ends an empty Phase 8 by terminating



Recap of Observation 3 (Lecture 12): Different forall iterations may perform “next” at different program points

```
1. forall (point[i] : [0:m-1]) {
2.     if (i % 2 == 1) { // i is odd
3.         oddPhase0(i);
4.         next;
5.         oddPhase1(i);
6.     } else { // i is even
7.         evenPhase0(i);
8.         next;
9.         evenPhase1(i);
10.    } // if-else
11. } // forall
```

- Barrier operation synchronizes odd-numbered iterations at line 4 with even-numbered iterations in line 8
- next statement may even be in a method such as oddPhase1()



HJ code for One-Dimensional Iterative Averaging with nested for-forall structure

```
1. double[] myVal=new double[n+2]; double[] myNew=new double[n+2];
2. myVal[n+1] = 1; // Boundary condition
3. for (point [iter] : [0:numIters-1]) {
4.     // Compute MyNew as function of input array MyVal
5.     forall (point [j] : [1:n]) { // Create n tasks
6.         myNew[j] = (myVal[j-1] + myVal[j+1])/2.0;
7.     } // forall
8.     // Swap myVal and myNew
9.     double[] temp=myVal; myVal=myNew; myNew=temp;
10.    // myNew becomes input array for next iteration
11.} // for
```

- Replace “finish async” from Lecture 10 by “forall”
- Overhead issue --- this version creates (numIters * n) async tasks



HJ code for One-Dimensional Iterative Averaging with chunked forall-for structure

```
1. double[] myVal=new double[n+2]; double[] myNew=new double[n+2];
2. myVal[n+1] = 1; // Boundary condition
3. // Set desired number of chunks for j loop to total number of workers
4. int Cj = Runtime.getNumOfWorkers();
5. for (point [iter] : [0:numIters-1]) {
6.     // Compute MyNew as function of input array MyVal
7.     forall (point [jj]:[0:Cj-1]) // Iterate over chunks
8.         for (point [j]:getChunk([1:n],[Cj],[jj])) // Iterate within chunk
9.             myNew[j] = (myVal[j-1] + myVal[j+1])/2.0;
10. // Swap myVal and myNew
11. double[] temp=myVal; myVal=myNew; myNew=temp;
12. // myNew becomes input array for next iteration
13.} // for iter
```

- Chunked forall version creates $\text{numIters} * C_j$ async tasks
- Can we do better with barriers?

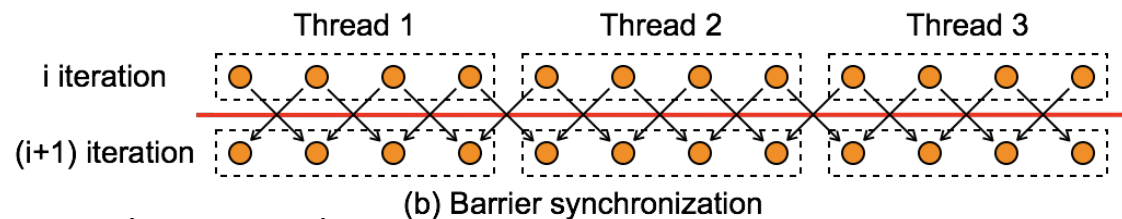


One-Dimensional Iterative Averaging with Barrier Synchronization

```

1. double[] gVal=new double[n+2]; double[] gNew=new double[n+2]; gVal[n+1] = 1;
2. int Cj = Runtime.getNumOfWorkers();
3. forall (point [jj]:[0:Cj-1]) { // Chunked forall is now the outermost loop
4.     double[] myVal = gVal; double[] myNew = gNew; // Local copy of myVal/myNew pointers
5.     for (point [iter] : [0:numIters-1]) {
6.         // Compute MyNew as function of input array MyVal
7.         for (point [j]:getChunk([1:n],[Cj],[jj])) // Iterate within chunk
8.             myNew[j] = (myVal[j-1] + myVal[j+1])/2.0;
9.         next; // Barrier before executing next iteration of iter loop
10.        // Swap myVal and myNew (each forall iterations swaps its pointers in local vars)
11.        double[] temp=myVal; myVal=myNew; myNew=temp;
12.        // myNew becomes input array for next iter
13.    } // for
14. } // forall

```



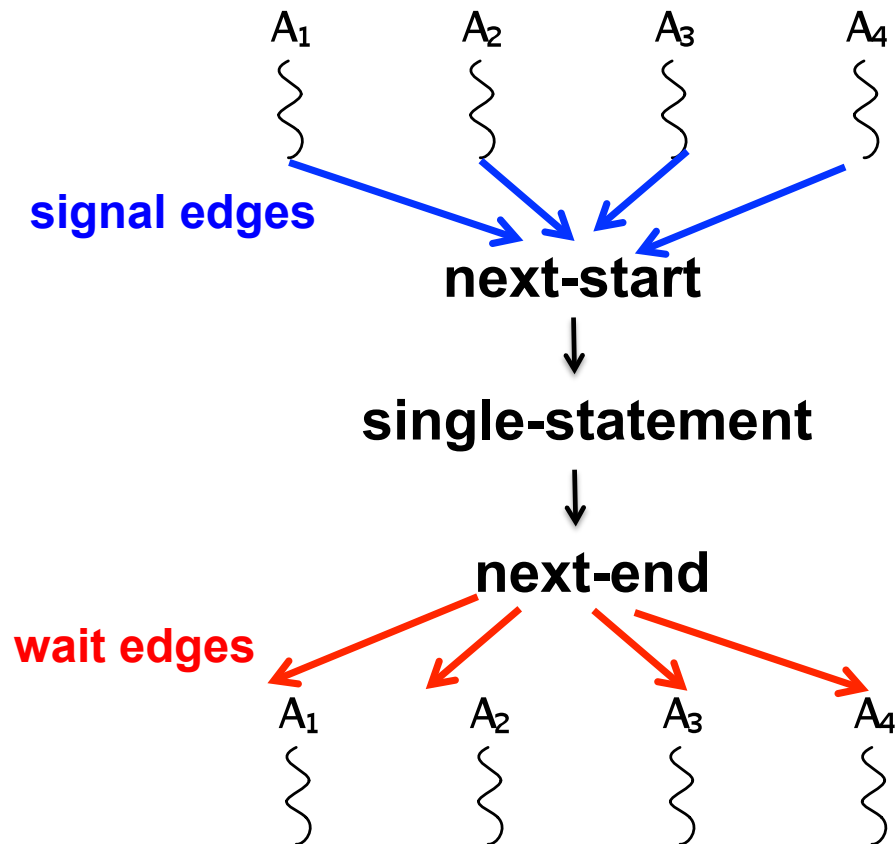
- Use of barrier reduces number of async tasks created to just C_j
- However, these C_j tasks perform $C_j \cdot \text{numIters}$ barrier operations
 - Good trade-off since, barrier operations have lower overhead than task creation if number of chunks \leq number of workers



Next-with-Single Statement

`next <single-stmt>` is a barrier in which `single-stmt` is performed exactly once after all tasks have completed the previous phase and before any task begins its next phase.

Modeling next-with-single in the Computation Graph



Use of next-with-single to print a log message between Hello and Goodbye phases

```
1. AtomicInteger rank = new AtomicInteger();
2. forall (point[i] : [0:m-1]) {
3.     // Start of Hello phase
4.     int r = rank.getAndIncrement();
5.     System.out.println("Hello from task ranked " + r);
6.     next single {
7.         System.out.println("LOG: Between Hello & Goodbye Phases");
8.     }
9.     // Start of Goodbye phase
10.    System.out.println("Goodbye from task ranked " + r);
11.} // forall
```

