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OpenMP Affinity

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- Motivation
- Affinity →
 - affinity fundamentals, the affinity mask, and how it is used
- OpenMP Affinity: `PROC_BIND` and `PLACES`
- Showing Mask with *amask* utility

Motivation

Affinity: Determines where application processes can/will execute.

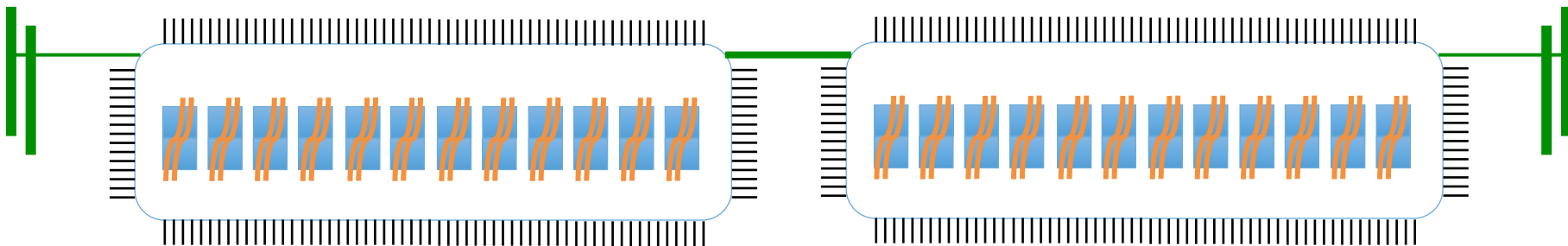
Affinity: Needed for these cases:

- processor count > process count
- processors have local and remote shared memory
- subset of processors have shared cache
- multi-messaging/IO clients may need separation/positioning

Example Architectures

2-socket → Remote and Local Memory
--Non-Uniform Memory Access (NUMA)

Hyper-Threading (a bit more complicated)



Examples:

Lonestar5 Haswell Nodes:

2 sockets (2 Memory NUMA nodes), Hyper-threaded

Stampede2 Skylake* Nodes:

2 sockets (2 Memory NUMA nodes), Hyper-threaded

Example Architecture

Single Socket (not always simple)

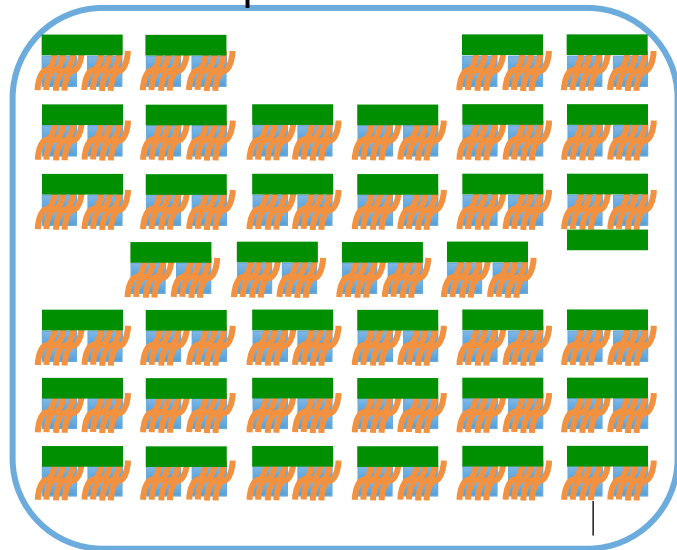
Laptops (example)



Hyper-Threading (laptop, 2) (KNL, 4)

2 Cores (a Tile) share a 1MB L2 Cache.

Stampede2 KNL Nodes



Motivation

- “Often” applications run fine when using the
“normal” number of processes (one process/thread per core)
- 1st Approach to Affinity: Do Nothing, Generally Defaults are “good”
 - 2nd order: match process needs to architecture features/resources
 - 2nd order: “pin” processes for limited mobility

Stampede2: KNL -- 68 cores (272 “logical” processors), TILES,...

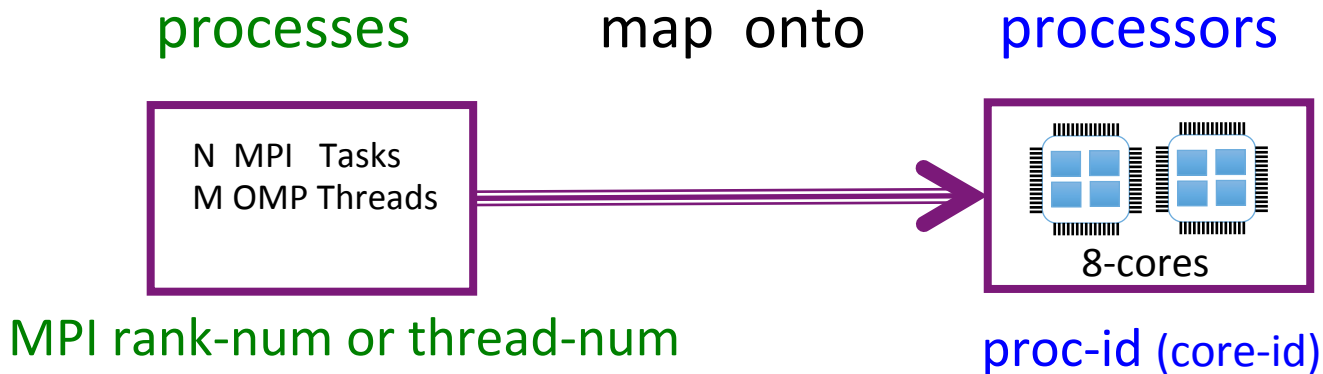
Stampede2: Skylake -- 48 cores (96 “logical” processors), 2 SOCKETS,...

Lonestar5: Haswell -- 24 cores (48 “logical” processors), 2 SOCKETS,...

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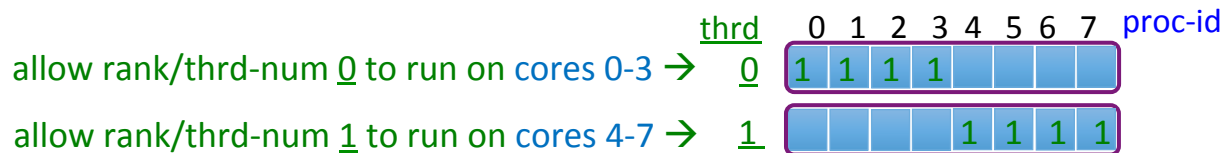
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CPU Affinity -- the mask



Each **process** has a bit mask (array of bits)

of bits = # of processors (proc-ids) set bit → **process** can run on **proc-id (core-id)**.

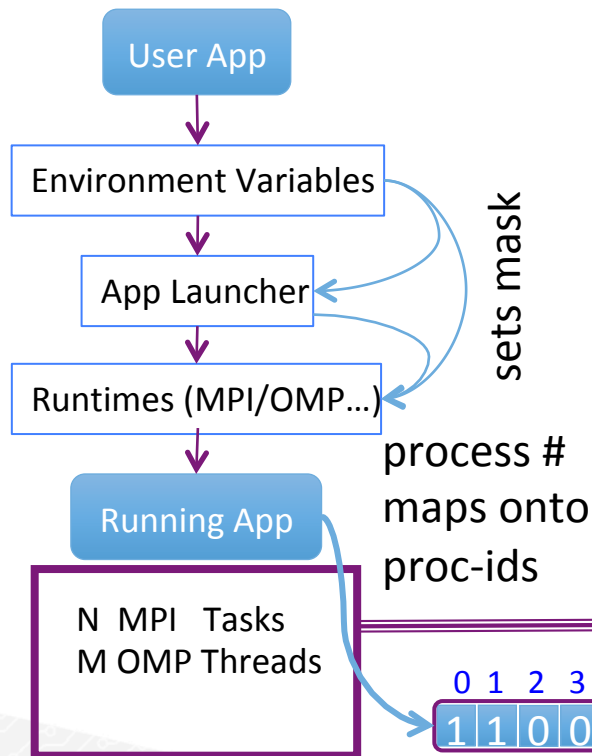


Setting Mask

The mask can be set at various places:

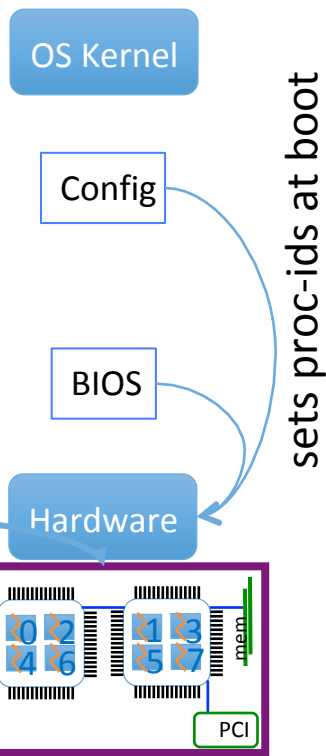
OpenMP Affinity
KMP Affinity
Intel/MV2 MPI

Lib/Compiler/site/
Vendor defaults



Hardware/OS Setup

Placing processes– depends on Hardware



Unix Architecture from lscpu

```
sp$ lscpu | grep -i 'core\|thread\|Socket'
```

```
Thread(s) per core:      1
```

```
Core(s) per socket:      8
```

```
Socket(s):                2
```

```
ls5% lscpu | grep -i 'core\|thread\|Socket'
```

```
Thread(s) per core:      2
```

```
Core(s) per socket:      12
```

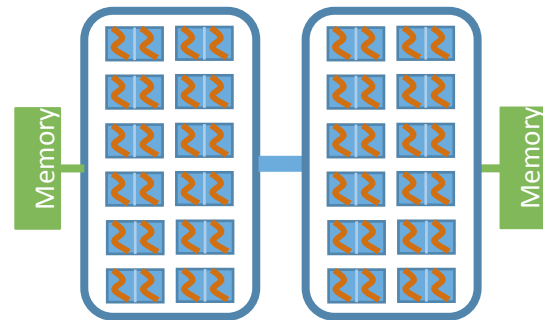
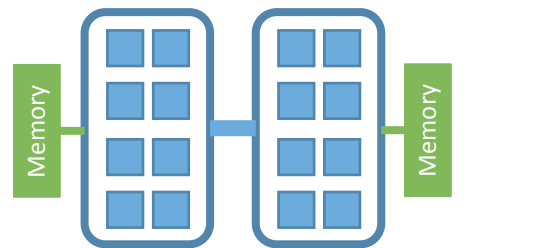
```
Socket(s):                2
```

```
kn1$ lscpu | grep -i 'core\|thread\|socket'
```

```
Thread(s) per core:      4
```

```
Core(s) per socket:      68
```

```
Socket(s):                1
```

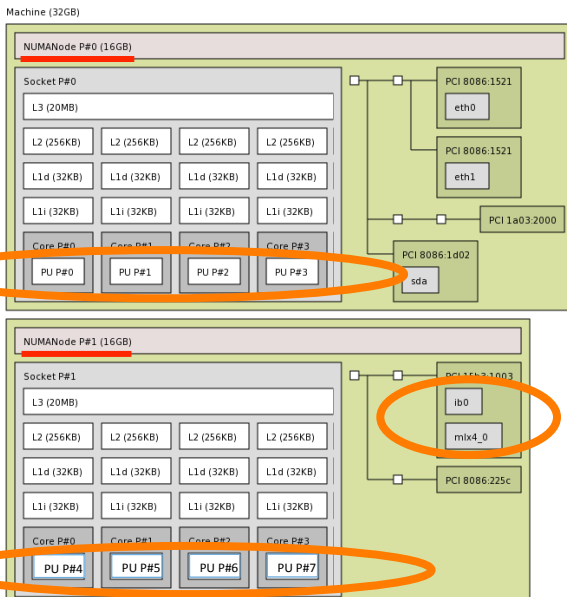


Unix proc-id info

\$ lstopo

User App

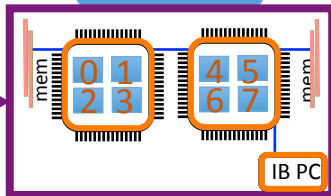
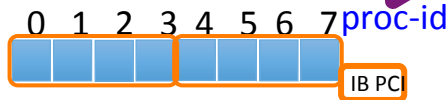
OS Kernel



Running App

Hardware

N MPI Tasks
M OMP Threads



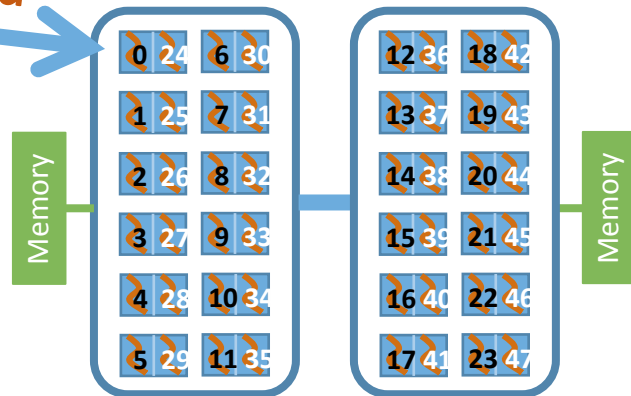
proc-id #'s in /cpu/info

socket  core  HW-thread 

```
ls5% cat /proc/cpuinfo ...awk* ...
```

```
physical id : 0    core id   : 0    processor : 0
physical id : 0    core id   : 0    processor : 24
physical id : 0    core id   : 1    processor : 1
physical id : 0    core id   : 1    processor : 25
...
physical id : 1    core id   : 0    processor : 12
physical id : 1    core id   : 0    processor : 36
physical id : 1    core id   : 1    processor : 13
...
```

proc-id
#s



```
ls5% * awk '/processor|core id|physical id/ {arr[j++]=$0};
END{for(i=0;i<j;i+=3) {printf "%-20s %-20s %-20s\n",
arr[i+1],arr[i+2],arr[i]} }' /proc/cpuinfo | \
sed -e 's/[ \t]/ /g' | sort -n -k4,4 -k8,8 -k11,11
```

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There are two components to setting affinity:

(after setting the number of threads)

Distribution Policy: `PROC_BIND` policy

Set Locations: `PLACES` explicit list of proc-ids or abstract set

OpenMP Affinity (distribution policy)

- **PROC_BIND Policy** (set in ENV. VAR.)

- export **OMP_PROC_BIND=close | spread | master**

Default

Applies to all parallel regions, except where proc_bind clause is used.

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- (within code as clause of a parallel directive)
 - #pragma omp parallel **proc_bind(close | spread | master)**

Clause: Policy applies only to the parallel region with clause.

OpenMP Affinity (Place List)

- **Places List** (place = “smallest unit of execution”= **proc-id #** in Linux systems)

- export **OMP_PLACES=<place_list>**

A place: {0}

Place List: {0},{1},{2},{3}

Interval notation: <place>:<len>:<stride>

e.g. {0}:4:1

} List of proc-ids

Default Place list: with $H_{\text{yper}}T_{\text{hreading}}$ =HW-threads #'s, without HT =core #'s.

- export **OMP_PLACES=<abstract_name>**

abstract name: sockets, cores, threads

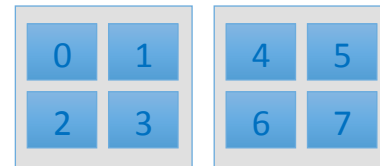
} Defines a set of places

The precise definitions of the abstract names are implementation defined. An implementation may also add abstract names as appropriate for the target platform.

OpenMP Affinity

PROC_BIND Distribution

2 sockets x 4 cores



```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4
export OMP_PROC_BIND=close

!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);
=omp_get_thread_num();
```



COMPACT PACKING

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4
export OMP_PROC_BIND=spread

!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);
=omp_get_thread_num();
```



SCATTER PACKING

←thrd_num
←proc-id

OpenMP Affinity Places

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4
export OMP_PLACES='{0},{1},{2},{3}'

!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);
=omp_get_thread_num();
```



COMPACT PACKING

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4
export OMP_PLACES='{0},{2},{4},{6}'

!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);
=omp_get_thread_num();
```



SCATTER PACKING

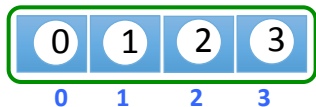
←thrd_num
←proc-id

OpenMP Affinity

Places → Interval Expression

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4  
export OMP_PLACES='{0}:4'
```

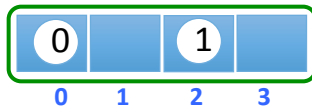
```
!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);  
thrd_num = omp_get_thread_num();
```



COMPACT PACKING

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4  
export OMP_PLACES='{0}:4:2'
```

```
!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);  
thrd_num = omp_get_thread_num();
```



SCATTER PACKING

←thrd_num
←proc-id

OpenMP Affinity

Places → abstract name

Hyper-Threading Enabled

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=8  
export OMP_PLACES=threads
```

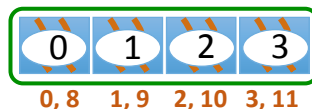
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```



Binding to Single HW-thread

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=8  
export OMP_PLACES=cores
```

```
!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);  
thrd_num = omp_get_thread_num();
```



Binding to Core

←thrd_num
←proc-id

HW-thread

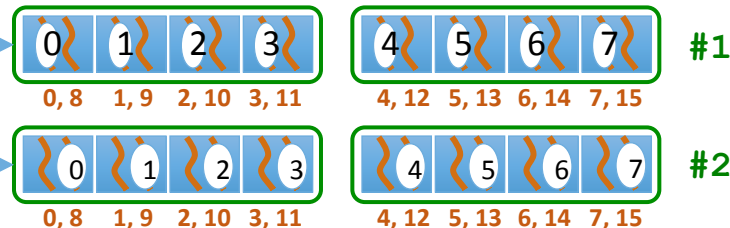
OpenMP Affinity

Places expression

Hyper-Threading Enabled

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=8  
export OMP_PLACES='{0}:8' CASE 1  
export OMP_PLACES='{8}:8' CASE 2
```

```
!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);  
thrd_num=omp_get_thread_num();
```



```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=8  
export OMP_PLACES='{0,8}:8'
```

```
!$omp parallel private(thrd_num);  
thrd_num=omp_get_thread_num();
```



←thrd_num

←proc-id

HW-thread

Binding to Single HW-thread

Binding to Core

OpenMP Affinity

Places abstract name

Hyper-Threading Enabled

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4  
export OMP_PLACES=threads  
export OMP_PROC_BIND=spread
```

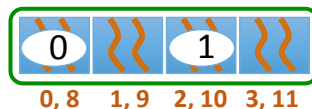
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Binding to Single HW-thread

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Binding to Core

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←proc-id

HW-thread

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Viewing Affinity mask with amask

Old Stampede: 16-core

export OMP_NUM_THREADS=8 OMP_PROC_BIND=spread

amask_omp

	0	proc-id	15
thrd	v		v
0	100000000000000000		
v 1	001000000000000000		
2	000010000000000000		
3	000000100000000000		
4	000000001000000000		
5	000000000010000000		
6	000000000000010000		
7	000000000000000100		

Bit Mask

	0	proc-id	10
thrd	0		10
0	1-----		
1	--1-----		
2	---1-----		
3	-----1---		
4	-----1---		
5	-----1---		
6	-----1---		
7	-----1---		
rank	0		10

More Readable

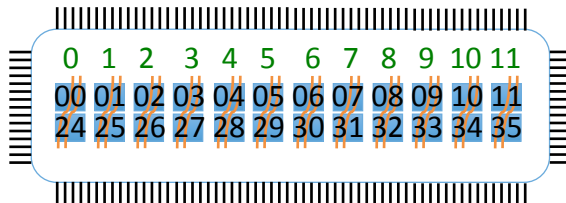
	0	proc-id	10
thrd	0		10
0	0-----		
1	--2-----		
2	---4-----		
3	-----6---		
4	-----8---		
5	-----0---		
6	-----2---		
7	-----4---		
rank	0		10

Even More Readable

Masks for hyper-threaded platform

Hyper-Threaded systems 2 sockets x 12 cores → 48 hardware threads (lonestar)

Socket 0

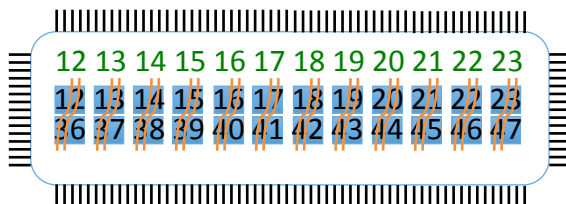


core-id

proc-id – 1st HW-thread

proc-id – 2nd HW-thread

Socket 1



core-id

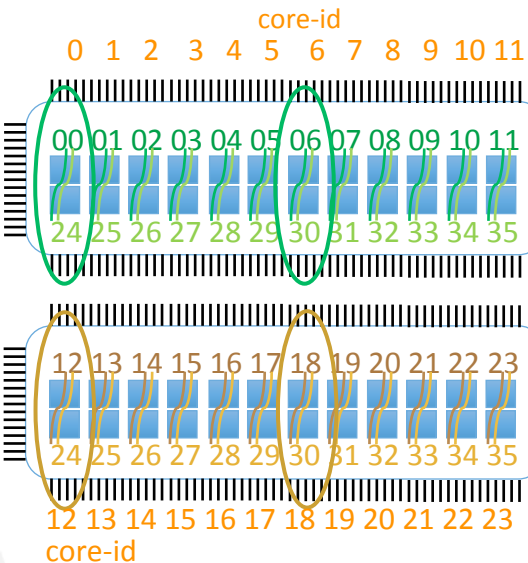
proc-id – 1st HW-thread

proc-id – 2nd HW-thread

What about hyper-threading...

Hyper-Threaded systems 2 x 12 cores → 48 hardware threads (HWT)

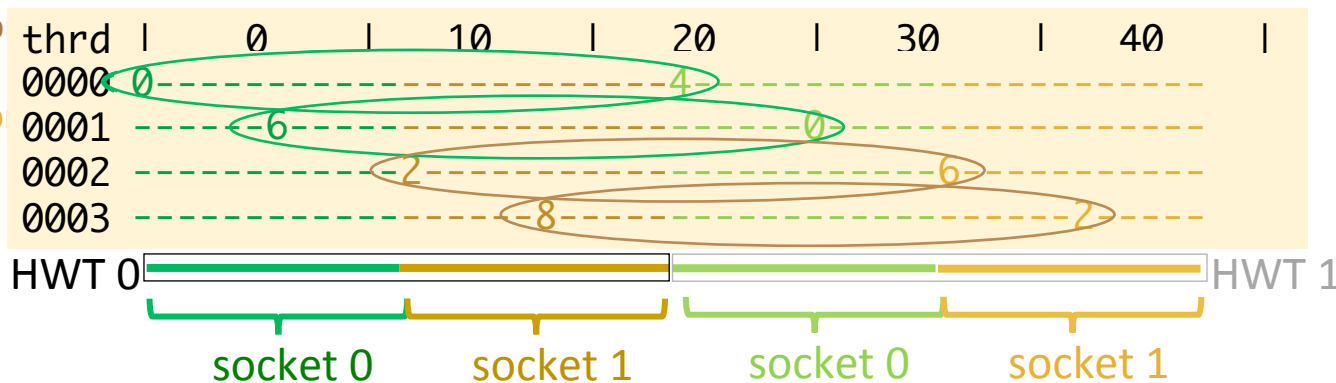
```
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4 OMP_PLACES=cores  
$ amask_omp -vk
```



proc-ids HWT=0

proc-ids HWT=1

view kernel mask (proc-ids)

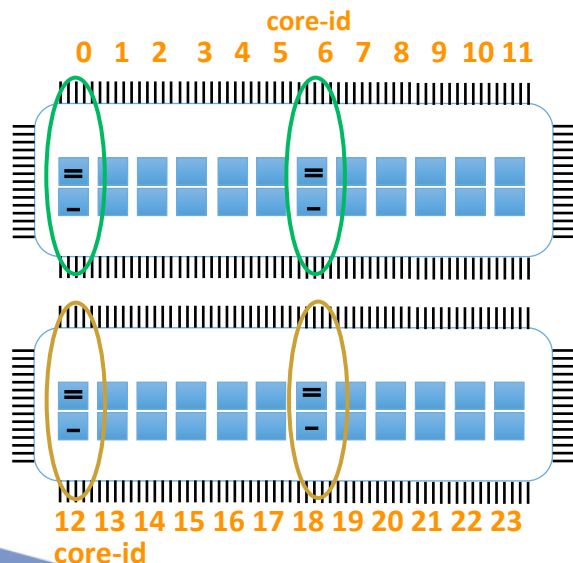


What about hyper-threading...

Hyper-Threaded systems

2 x 12 cores $\rightarrow$ 48 hardware threads

```
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4 OMP_PLACES=cores  
$ amask_omp -vc
```



view core mask (core-ids)

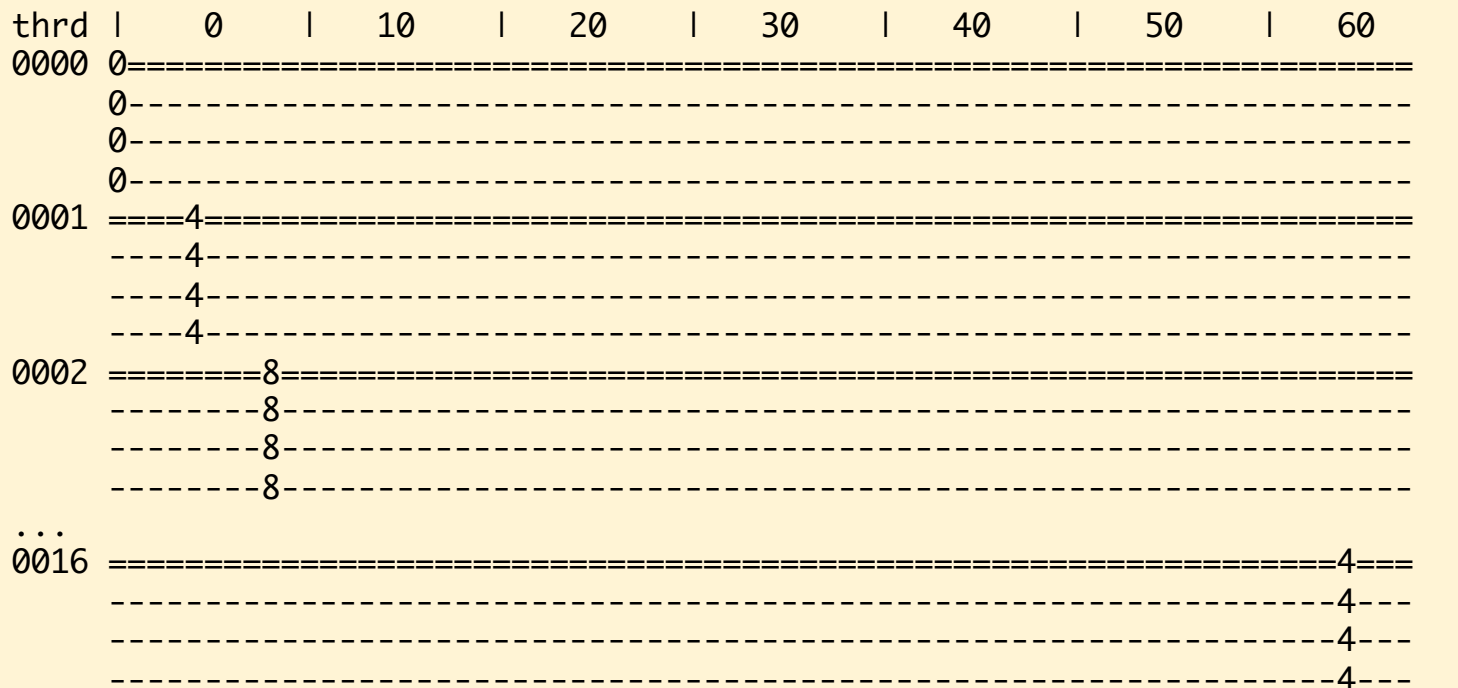
thrd	0	10	20	← core-id
0000	0			HW-thread 0
0001	6			HW-thread 1
0002	6	2		
0003		2	8	
			8	

What about hyper-threading... on KNL

KNL:
68 cores
4 HWT

```
$ export OMP_NUM_THREADS=17 OMP_PLACES=cores  
$ amask_omp
```

spread (default)
implies
distribution
with a stride
of 4.





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