

Directions for CS455: Introduction to High Performance Computing

Running an OpenMP Program on UIC Systems Servers

This guide explains compiling and running an OpenMP program on **UIC Systems** servers (`systems1`, `systems2`, `systems3`, and `systems4.cs.uic.edu`).

1. After connecting to any of the servers via SSH, create a sample program, for example, `ompRanks.cc`:

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <omp.h>
3
4 int main() {
5     // Parallel region with OpenMP
6     #pragma omp parallel
7     {
8         int threadId = omp_get_thread_num();
9         int numThreads = omp_get_num_threads();
10        // Print thread information
11        std::cout << "Hello from thread " << threadId << " out of " << numThreads << std::endl;
12    }
13    return 0;
14 }
```

2. Create a Makefile:

```
1 CXX = g++
2 CXXFLAGS = -std=c++17 -Wall -fopenmp
3
4 # Source files and targets
5 SOURCES = ompRanks.cc
6 TARGETS = $(SOURCES:.cc=)
7
8 all: $(TARGETS)
9
10 %: %.cc
11     $(CXX) $(CXXFLAGS) -o $@ $<
12
13 clean:
14     rm -f $(TARGETS)
```

3. Build the program:

```
1 make
```

4. Execute the compiled program:

```
1 ./ompRanks
2 Hello from thread 5 out of 8
3 Hello from thread 0 out of 8
4 Hello from thread 4 out of 8
5 Hello from thread 7 out of 8
6 Hello from thread 1 out of 8
7 Hello from thread 3 out of 8
8 Hello from thread 2 out of 8
9 Hello from thread 6 out of 8
```

5. To set the number of OpenMP threads:

```
1 export OMP_numThreads=4
```

6. Run again to observe the effect of setting thread count.

Additional Resources

1. [Chapter07: OpenMP](#), R. Robey and Y. Zamora, **Parallel and High Performance Computing**.
2. [List of tutorials on OpenMP](#).