

Single Construct (14A)

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Master thread and a team of threads

Immediately preceding the **parallel block**, **one thread** will be executing the code.

In the **main** program this is the **initial thread**.

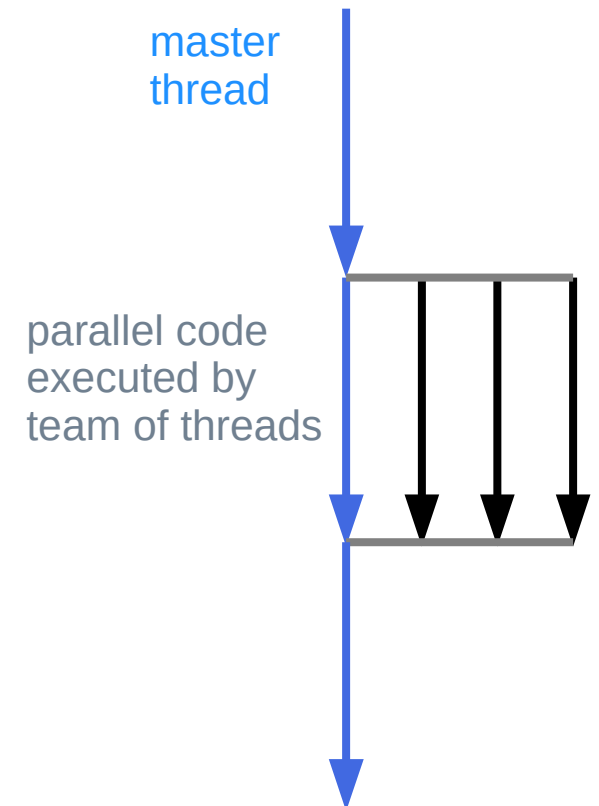
At the start of the block, a new team of **threads** is created, and the **thread** that was active before the block becomes the **master thread** of that team.

After the block, only the **master thread** is active.

Inside the block there is **team of threads**:

each thread in the **team**

- executes the body of the block,
- can access all variables of the surrounding environment.



single construct

- the specified **structured block** is executed
 - by only one of the **threads** in the team
 - in the context of its **implicit task**.
- The executing thread need not be the **master** thread
- the other threads in the team
 - do not execute the block
 - wait at an **implicit barrier** at the end of the **single** construct unless a **nowait** clause is specified.

<https://pages.tacc.utexas.edu/~eijkhout/pcse/html/omp-parallel.html>

single construct

```
#pragma omp single [clause[ [,] clause] ... ] new-line  
structured-block
```

where **clause** is one of the following:

private(list)
firstprivate(list)
copyprivate(list)
allocate([allocator :] list)
nowait

<https://www.openmp.org/spec-html/5.0/openmpsu38.html#x60-1090002.8.2>

Single

The **single** construct specifies that the associated structured block is **executed by only one** of the threads in the team (not necessarily the master thread), in the context of its **implicit task**.

The **other threads** in the team, which do not execute the block, **wait** at an **implicit barrier** at the end of the single construct unless a **nowait** clause is specified.

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Single

denotes block of code

to be executed by **only one thread**

- first thread to arrive is chosen
- **implicit barrier** at end

```
#pragma omp parallel
```

```
{
```

```
  a();
```

```
  #pragma omp single
```

```
  {
```

```
    b();
```

```
  } // threads wait here for single
```

```
  c();
```

```
}
```

chosen

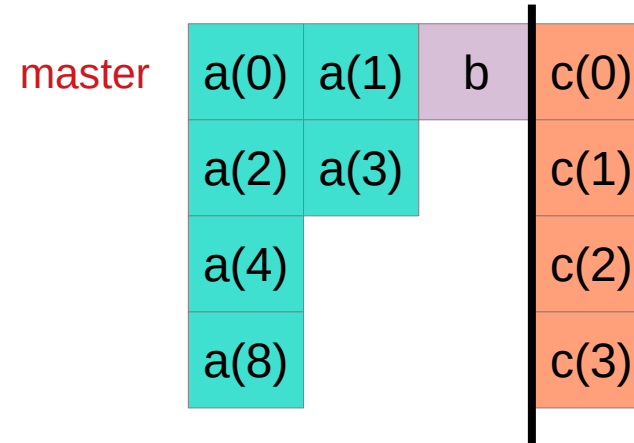
a(0)	a(1)	c(0)
a(2)	a(3)	c(1)
a(4)	b	c(2)
a(8)		c(3)

Master

Denotes block of code to be executed only by **the master thread**

No implicit barrier at end

```
#pragma omp parallel
{
  a();
  #pragma omp master
  { // if not master skip to next stmt
    b();
  }
  c();
}
```



https://www.intel.com/content/dam/www/public/apac/xa/en/pdfs/ssg/Programming_with_OpenMP-Linux.pdf

Single (1)

```
int main()
{
    int salaries1 = 0;
    int salaries2 = 0;

    for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
    {
        salaries1 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company1);
    }

    std::cout << "Salaries1: " << salaries1 << std::endl;

    for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
    {
        salaries2 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company2);
    }

    std::cout << "Salaries2: " << salaries2 << std::endl;

    return 0;
}
```

<http://jakascorner.com/blog/2016/06/omp-single.html>

Single (2)

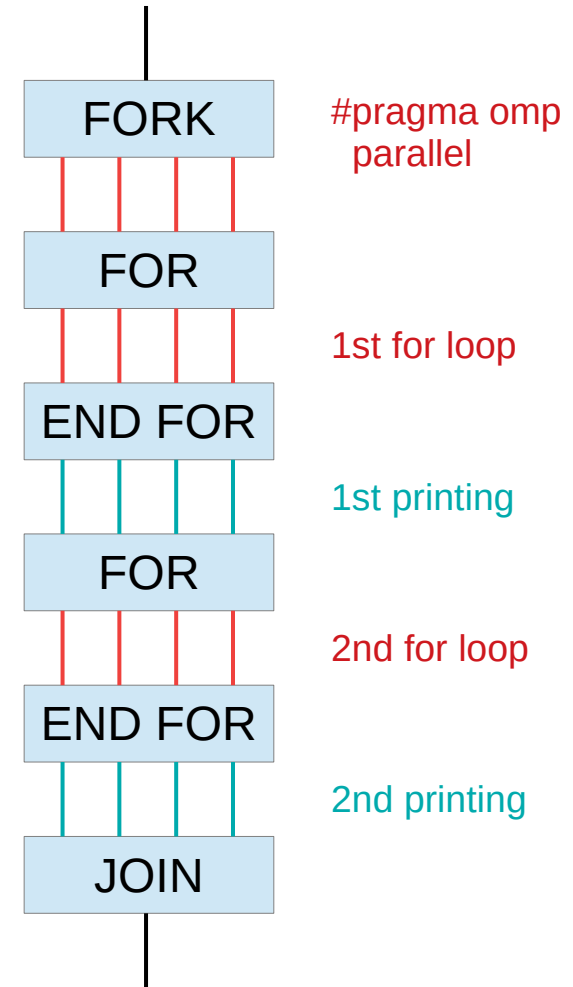
```
int salaries1 = 0;
int salaries2 = 0;

#pragma omp parallel shared(salaries1, salaries2)
{
    #pragma omp for reduction(+: salaries1)
    for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
    {
        salaries1 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company1);
    }

    std::cout << "Salaries1: " << salaries1 << std::endl;

    #pragma omp for reduction(+: salaries2)
    for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
    {
        salaries2 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company2);
    }

    std::cout << "Salaries2: " << salaries2 << std::endl;
}
```



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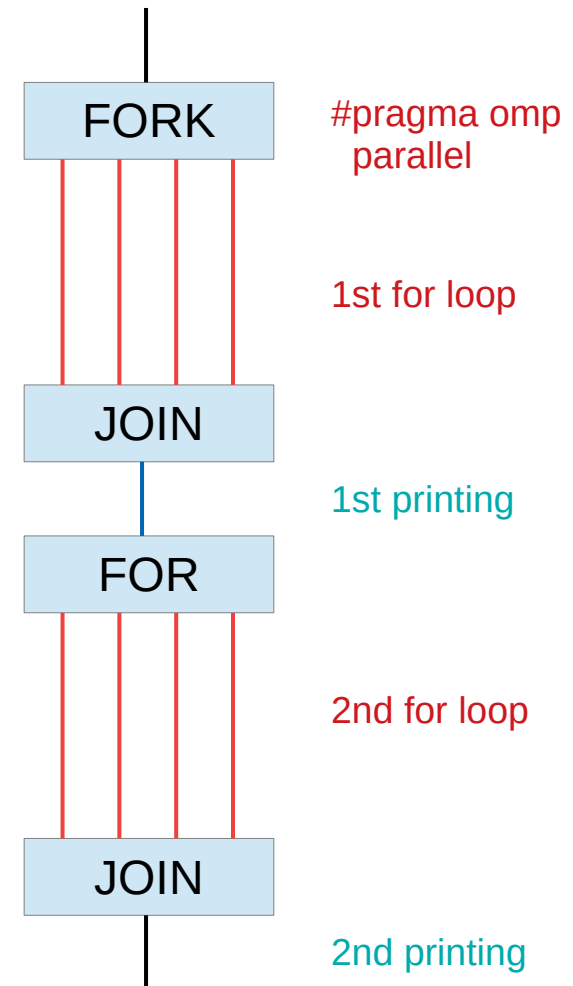
Single (v1)

```
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+: salaries1)
for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
{
    salaries1 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company1);
}
```

```
std::cout << "Salaries1: " << salaries1 << std::endl;
```

```
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+: salaries2)
for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
{
    salaries2 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company2);
}
```

```
std::cout << "Salaries2: " << salaries2 << std::endl;
```

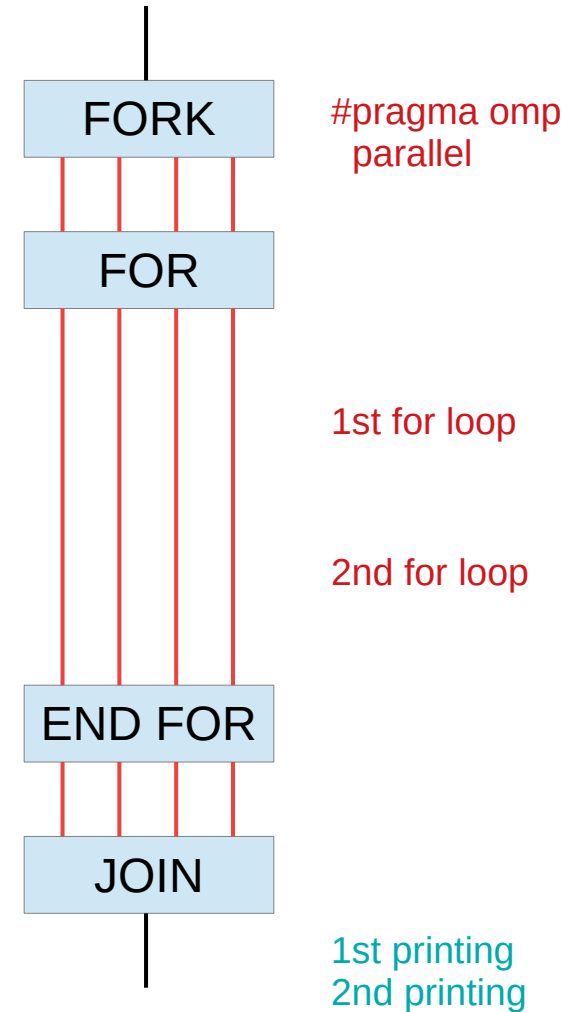


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Single (v2)

```
#pragma omp parallel for reduction(+: salaries1, salaries2)
for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
{
    salaries1 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company1);
    salaries2 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company2);
}
```

```
std::cout << "Salaries1: " << salaries1 << "\n"
          << "Salaries2: " << salaries2 << std::endl;
```



<http://jakascorner.com/blog/2016/06/omp-single.html>

Single (v3)

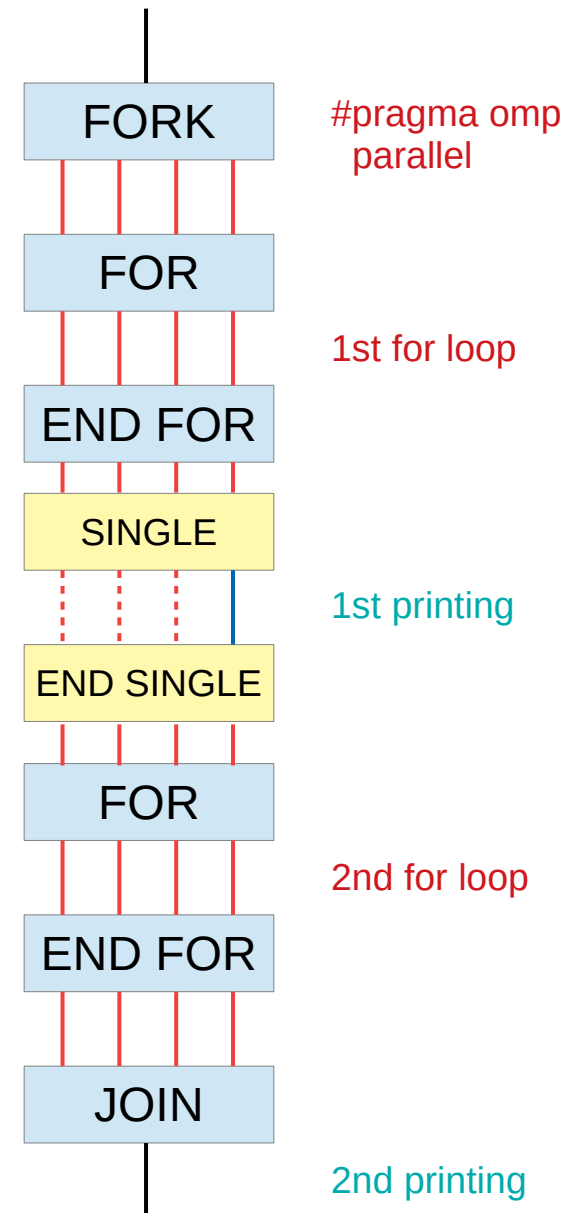
```
#pragma omp parallel shared(salaries1, salaries2)
{
    #pragma omp for reduction(+: salaries1)
    for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
    {
        salaries1 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company1);
    }

    #pragma omp single
    {
        std::cout << "Salaries1: " << salaries1 << std::endl;
    }

    #pragma omp for reduction(+: salaries2)
    for (int employee = 0; employee < 25000; employee++)
    {
        salaries2 += fetchTheSalary(employee, Co::Company2);
    }
}
```

```
std::cout << "Salaries2: " << salaries2 << std::endl;
```

<http://jakascorner.com/blog/2016/06/omp-single.html>



References

- [1] en.wikipedia.org
- [2] M Harris, <http://beowulf.lcs.mit.edu/18.337-2008/lectslides/scan.pdf>