

Modeling parallelism with Intel® Advisor XE

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Executive Summary

Challenge: *Parallel programming can be rewarding but daunting!*

Intel® Advisor XE is a methodology and set of tools to help you easily add correct and effective **parallelism** to your program

Intel® Advisor XE supports C/C++, Fortran on Windows/Linux and C# on Windows

But why should you care about Parallelism?

In a word: “**Performance**”

Serial optimizations may achieve less than 25%

Data Parallelism, e.g., Vectorization may gain **2-4X**

Task Parallelism may provide speed-ups proportional to the number of cores, e.g., **4-8X**

Don't leave all that potential performance on the table!

Agenda

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Advisor Workflow

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- Add **Annotations**
- Model **Suitability**
- Check **Correctness**
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Conclusion

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This is similar to how Intel® Advisor XE works when you add Parallelism to your Serial program.

Intel® Advisor XE

Advisor XE is a toolset

- design tool that assists in making good decisions to transform a serial algorithm to use multi-core hardware
- parallel modeling tool that forecasts what might happen *if* that code were to execute in parallel
 - uses annotations in the serial code to calculate what
- A methodology and workflow to educate users on an effective method of using parallel programming














Intel® Advisor XE

Introduction

Transforming many serial algorithms into parallel form takes 5 easy high-level steps:

1. **Survey and Summary tools:** where to add parallelism
2. **Annotations:** experiment with parallel program structure
3. **Suitability tool (!):** predict and model program scalability & benefits
4. **Correctness tool:** discover potential synchronization problems
5. Manually convert annotations to parallel framework API (with a little help of **Annotations/Summary**)

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Intel® Advisor XE Introduction

- Advisor XE guides you through these 5 steps, providing assisting tools
 - No auto-parallelization
- Model & evaluate potential return of parallelization investments.
- On your serial program



(Advisor XE toolbar)

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Advantages of Advisor XE modeling

Serial modeling benefits:

- 1. Your application can't fail due to bugs caused by incorrect parallel execution (it's running serially)**
- 2. You can easily experiment with several different proposals before committing to a specific implementation**
- 3. All of your test suites should still pass when validating the correctness of your transformations**

But you still can use Advisor XE on partially or completely parallelized code.

Intel® Advisor XE

Advantages of Advisor XE modeling

Advisor XE modeling avoids the major design mistakes:

1. Measure performance, focus on hotspots.
2. Predict scalability, load balancing and overheads.
3. Predict data races

Automated analysis catches cases people miss.
Making good decisions early saves time.



Advisor XE increases parallelization ROI

Parallel Advisor vs Advisor XE

“what’s new”

	Parallel Advisor	Advisor XE
Name	Intel® Parallel Advisor	Intel® Advisor XE
Component of	Intel® Parallel Studio	Intel® Parallel Studio and Cluster Studio XE
Windows OS	Windows XP and later; Windows Vista is deprecated.	Windows XP and later (but no support for Vista). Windows XP is deprecated.
VS integration	VS 2005, 2008, 2010	VS 2008, 2010 and later
Linux OS	No	Yes
Languages	C/C++	C/C++ Fortran C# .NET (Windows only)
Standalone GUI	No	Yes (Windows and Linux)
CLI	No	Yes (Windows and Linux)

Where should we begin?

You either start with a blank sheet of paper ... or you don't

Almost no one starts from a blank sheet of paper

- Useful for writing explicitly parallel kernels and skeletons, but difficult to use when migrating legacy applications
- All others have to first get their ideas organized, usually by expressing a serial algorithm, which you then need to figure out how to express using parallelism

Almost everyone is worried about how to improve something which already has demonstrated value

- if you need to parallelize it
- it can't already be parallel
- so therefore it must be serial

This is the assumption of this talk

Do you really mean that?

1

```
for (int I = 0; I < N; ++I)  
    A[I] = B[I] + C[I];
```

This loop is equivalent to:

```
I = 0;  
if (! (I < N)) goto done;  
  
A[0] = B[0] + C[0]; // I = 0  
  
++I;  
if (! (I < N)) goto done;  
  
A[1] = B[1] + C[1]; // I = 1  
...  
done:
```

2

```
for (int I = 0; I < N; ++I)  
    Work( &A[I] );
```

This loop is equivalent to:

```
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if (! (I < N)) goto done;  
  
Work( &A[0] ); // I = 0  
  
++I;  
if (! (I < N)) goto done;  
  
Work( &A[1] ); // I = 1  
...  
done:
```

Or did you really mean this...

1

```
for (int I = 0; I < N; ++I)  
    A[I] = B[I] + C[I];
```

$A[0..N-1] = B[0..N-1] + C[0..N-1]$

2

```
for (int I = 0; I < N; ++I)  
    Work( &A[I] );
```

foreach X in A[0..N-1]
 Work(&X);

or even...

Work(&A[0..N-1])

Digression: debugging

What is still claimed to be the #1 debugging tool in use today?

- A “print” statement

Inserting a “print” statement into your serial program typically does not change its behavior, but does allow you to observe what is happening

We can use this same approach in order to understand the “parallelism potential” present in your existing serial implementation

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Benchmarks - e000 × potential_mt.cs kernel.cs potential.cs main.cs ThreadHelperClass.cs nbodies.cs

Summary of predicted parallel behavior

Summary Survey Report Annotation Report Suitability Report Correctness Report

Intel Advisor XE 2013

Intel Advisor XE helps you choose where to add parallelism to your program

Intel Advisor XE tools help you: (1) choose possible parallel code regions and (2) predict their likely parallel behavior. To begin, profile your application to locate where it spends its time. Choose a code region where distributing work amongst multiple cores can help performance. Insert Intel Advisor XE annotations to identify a possible parallel code region (site and its tasks) – the annotations enable the tools to predict your code's parallel behavior.

Potential program gain[®]: 1.12x (8 CPUs, Microsoft TPL Threading Model)

These annotated parallel sites were detected:

Parallel Site	Maximum Site Gain [®]	Correctness Problems
Start Bodies (nbodies.cs:103)	1.33x	⚠ ? ?

The most time-consuming (hot) functions found during Survey analysis appear below. Consider adding parallel site and task annotations around these functions so Suitability and Correctness can predict their parallel behavior.

Function	Source Location	CPU Time [®]
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::start	potential.cs:62	9.8229s
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::start	nbodies.cs:106	7.4341s

Collection Details.

Survey

Collection started: 14 March 2012, 10:28:02 AM

Collection finished: 14 March 2012, 10:28:21 AM

Elapsed time: 00 min 19 sec

Collector Log: See log

Application Output: See output

Collector Command Line: See command line

Step: Survey Target & Annotate Sources

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Where should I add parallelism? Intel Advisor XE 2013

Summary **Survey Report** Annotation Report Suitability Report Correctness Report

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VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::kernel::startPotential	55.9%	9.8229s	0s	kernel.cs:32
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::start [loop]	55.9%	9.8229s	0s	potential.cs:62
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st [loop]	55.7%	9.8029s	0.0100s	potential.cs:63
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st [loop]	50.7%	8.9223s	0s	potential.cs:39
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st [loop]	50.7%	8.9223s	0s	potential.cs:41
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st	16.8%	2.9549s	2.9549s	potential.cs:42
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st	16.2%	2.8506s	2.8506s	potential.cs:43
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st	15.8%	2.7866s	2.7866s	potential.cs:41
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st	1.9%	0.3302s	0.3302s	potential.cs:43
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st	5.0%	0.8706s	0.8706s	potential.cs:45
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::start	0.1%	0.0100s	0s	potential.cs:68
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::start	0.1%	0.0100s	0.0100s	potential.cs:66
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::Benchmarks::Main	42.4%	7.4541s	0s	main.cs:16
[Benchmarks.exe]	1.8%	0.3109s	0.3109s	

site

task

```
59 updatePositions();
60
61 Annotate.SiteBegin( "Potential Sim" );
62 for (int i = 0; i < constants.POT_ITERATION; i++)
63 {
64     potentialTotal = 0.0;
65     Annotate.TaskBegin( "Compute Pot Task" );
66     computePot_st();
67     Annotate.TaskEnd();
68
69     if (i % 10 == 0)
70         Console.WriteLine("{0} - {Potential} = {1:F",
71
72         updatePositions();
73     }
74     Annotate.SiteEnd();
75 }
```

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Survey Source X

Call Stack with Loops
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::PO...
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::PO...
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::ker...
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::Be...

Loop Time	%
9.802s	55.7%
0.010s	0.1%
0.010s	0.1%

Step: Check Suitability

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What are the performance implications of the annotated sites?

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Summary Survey Report Annotation Report **Suitability Report** Correctness Report

All Sites

Maximum Program Gain For All Sites: 1.11x

Target CPU Number: 8 Threading Model: Microsoft TPL

Annotation ...	Source Loc...	Maximum Sit...	Maximum Tot...	Average Instan...	Total Ti...
Start Bodies	?	1.33x	1.11x	7.1976s	7.1976s

Selected Site


Scalability of Maximum Site Gain

Changes I will make to this site to improve performance


Type of Change	Benefit if Checked	Loss if Unchecked	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce Site Overhead			No
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce Task Overhead			No
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce Lock Overhead			No
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce Lock Contention			No
<input type="checkbox"/> Enable Task Chunking			No


Annotation	Annotation Label	Source Location	Number of Instances	Maximum Instance Time	Average Instance Time	Minimum Instance Time	Total Time
Selected Site	Start Bodies	?	1	7.1976s	7.1976s	7.1976s	7.1976s
Task	Body Task	?	7	5.4123s	1.0282s	0.0030s	7.1972s


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
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Did the annotated tasks expose data sharing problems?

Summary Survey Report Annotation Report Suitability Report **Correctness Report**

Problems and Messages

ID	Problem	Site Name	Sources	Modules	State
P1	Memory reuse	Potential Sim	potential.cs	Benchmarks.exe	New
P2	Data communication	Potential Sim	potential.cs	Benchmarks.exe	New
P3	Parallel site information	Potential Sim	potential.cs	Benchmarks.exe	New
P4	Memory reuse	Potential Sim	potential.cs	Benchmarks.exe	New

Memory reuse: Code Locations

ID	Description	Source	Function	Module	State
X1	Read	potential.cs:46	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st	Benchmarks.exe	New
<pre>44 distz = Math.Pow((r[2][j] - r[2][i]), 2); 45 dist = Math.Sqrt(distx + disty + distz); 46 potentialTotal += 1.0 / dist; 47 } 48 }</pre>					
X2	Parallel site	potential.cs:61	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::start	Benchmarks.exe	New
<pre>59 updatePositions(); 60 61 Annotate.SiteBegin("Potential Sim"); 62 for (int i = 0; i < constants.POT_ITERATION; i++) 63 {</pre>					
X3	Write	potential.cs:64	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::start	Benchmarks.exe	New
<pre>62 for (int i = 0; i < constants.POT_ITERATION; i++) 63 { 64 potentialTotal = 0.0; 65 Annotate.TaskBegin("Compute Pot Task"); 66 computePot_st();</pre>					

Filter

Severity
Error 3 items
Remark 1 item

Problem
Memory reuse 1 item
Data communication 1 item
Parallel site informati... 1 item
Memory reuse 1 item

Site Name
Potential Sim 4 items

Source
potential.cs 4 items

Module
Benchmarks.exe 4 items

State
New 4 items

Sort By Item Name

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Case Study - Demo

Advisor Workflow – Case Study

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Amdahl's Law

(paraphrased) “The benefit from parallelism is limited by the computation which remains serial”

If you perfectly execute $\frac{1}{2}$ of your application in parallel you will achieve $< 2x$ speedup

The implication of this is that you must focus your attention where your application spends its time

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VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::kernel::startNBodies	43.8%	7.7818s	0s	kernel.cs:18
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::start [loop]	41.8%	7.4189s	0s	nbodies.cs:106
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::start	2.0%	0.3628s	0s	nbodies.cs:103
[Benchmarks.exe]	0.1%	0.0156s	0.0156s	

Find the places that are important to your application

Two Candidate loops

56%: POTENTIAL::start (loop)

Line	Source	Total Time	%	Loop Time	%
60					
61	for (int i = 0; i < constants.POT_ITERATION; i++)				
62	{				
63	potentialTotal = 0.0;			10.022s	
64	computePot_st();	10.012s			
65					
66	if (i % 10 == 0)				
67	Console.WriteLine("{0} - (Potential = {1:F5})", i, pote				
68					
69	updatePositions();	0.010s			
70	}				
71	}				
72					
Selected (Total Time):		0s			

41.8%: NBODIES::start (loop)

Line	Source	Total Time	%	Loop Time	%
96	public void start()				
97	{				
98	for (int i = 0; i < constants.NB_NUM_BODIES; i++)				
99	body[i] = new body();				
100					
101	// Loop over various sizes of the problem				
102	for (int n = 2; n <= constants.NB_NUM_BODIES; n *= 2)				
103	{				
104	startBodies(n);			7.451s	
105	runBodies(n);	7.451s			
106	}				
107	}				
108					

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Advisor XE Annotation Concepts

Advisor uses 3 primary concepts to create a model

- **SITE**
 - A region of code in your application you want to transform into parallel code
- **TASK**
 - The region of code in a SITE you want to execute in parallel with the rest of the code in the SITE
- **LOCK**
 - Mark regions of code in a TASK which must be serialized

All of these regions may be nested

You may create more than one SITE

Just macros, so work with any C/C++ compiler

Add Annotation

NBODIES::start (loop)

```
VTuneAmplifierXE.Examples.NBODIES

}

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    {
        startBodies(n);
        runBodies(n);
    }
}

}
```

Generate Sequence Diagram...
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Go To Definition F12
Find All References
View Call Hierarchy Ctrl+K, Ctrl+T
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Breakpoint
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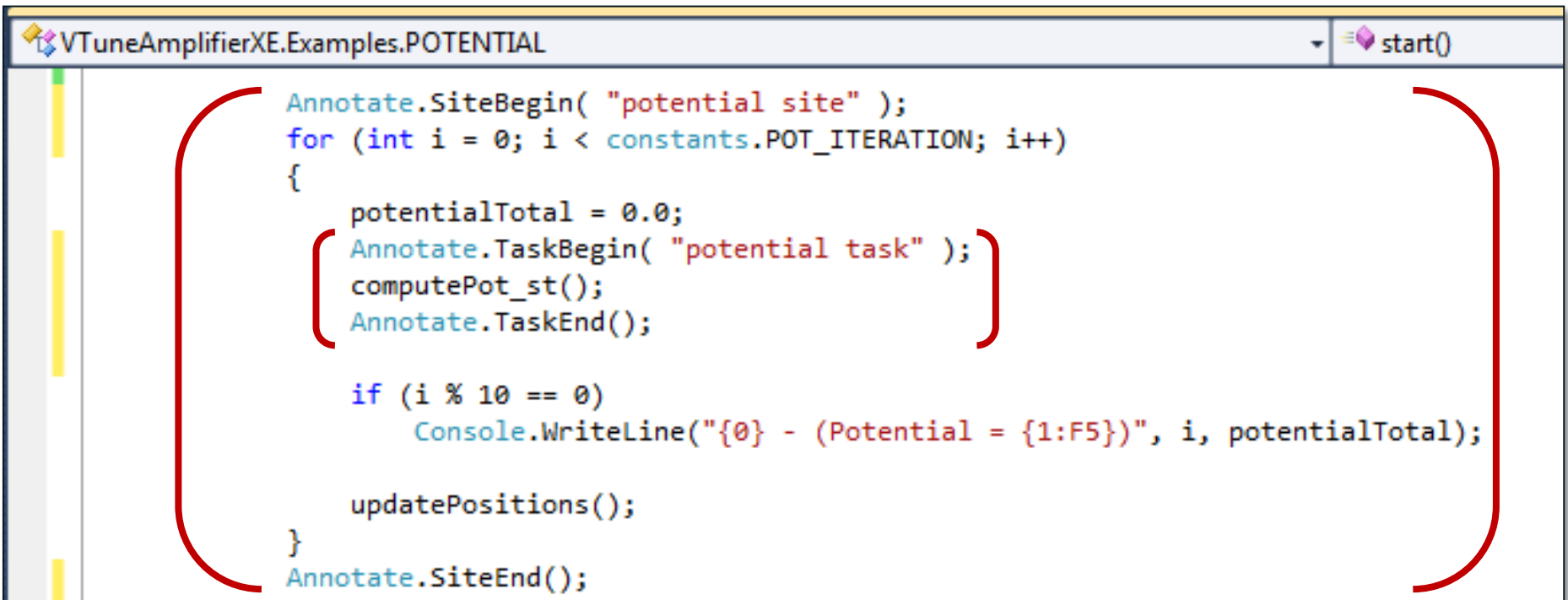
Annotation Wizard...
Annotate Site
Annotate Task
Annotate Loop Site
Annotate Iteration Task
Annotation Definitions Reference

```
public void start()
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        body[i] = new body();

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    // Loop over various sizes of the problem
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    {
        Annotate.TaskBegin( "nbody tasks" );
        startBodies(n);
        runBodies(n);
        Annotate.TaskEnd();
    }
    Annotate.SiteEnd();
}
```

Add Annotation

POTENTIAL::start (loop)



```
VTuneAmplifierXE.Examples.POTENTIAL start()

{
    Annotate.SiteBegin( "potential site" );
    for (int i = 0; i < constants.POT_ITERATION; i++)
    {
        potentialTotal = 0.0;
        {
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            Annotate.TaskEnd();
        }

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        updatePositions();
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}
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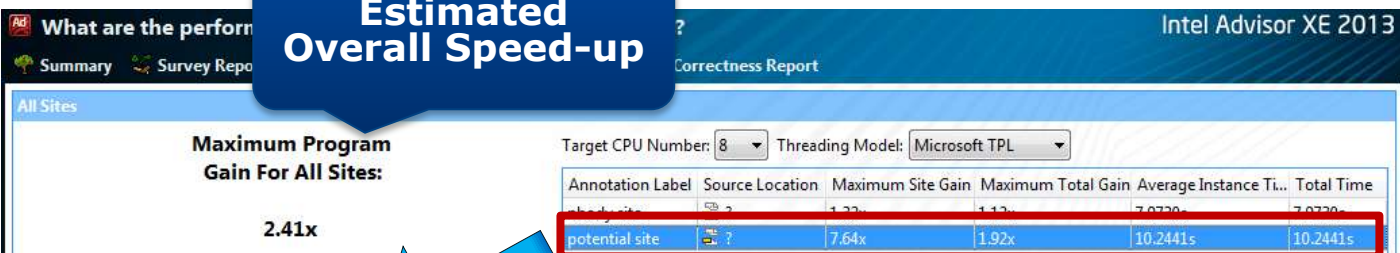
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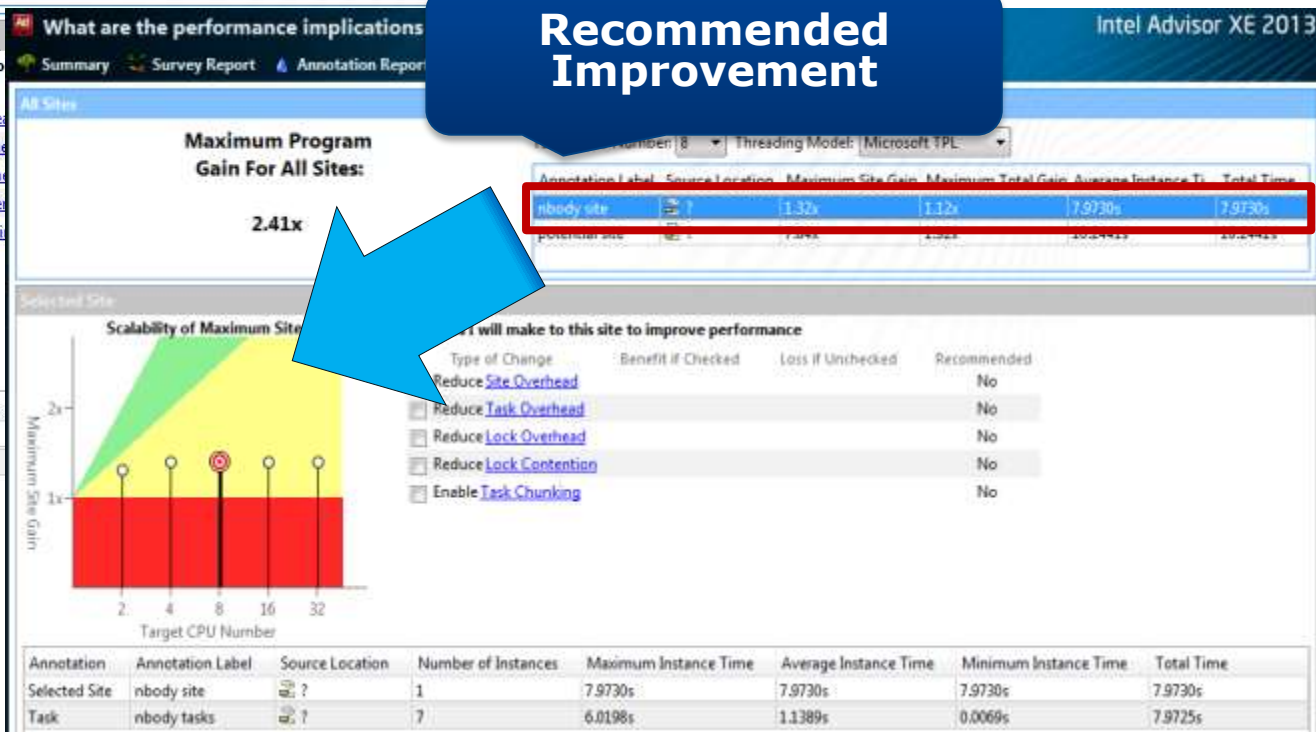
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Suitability - Data Collection

**Estimated
Overall Speed-up**



**Recommended
Improvement**



**Scalability
Graph**

Analyze your proposal to see if you made a suitable choice

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P5	Memory reuse	nbody site	body.cs; nbodies.cs	Benchmarks.exe	New

4 Memory reuse conditions found!

Memory reuse: Code Locations

ID	Description	Source	Function	Module	State
X2	Allocation site	body.cs:12	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::body::ctor	Benchmarks.exe	New
X5	Parallel site	nbodies.cs:101	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::start	Benchmarks.exe	New
X6	Read	nbodies.cs:19	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::addAcc	Benchmarks.exe	New
X7	Read	nbodies.cs:20	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::addAcc	Benchmarks.exe	New
X8	Read	nbodies.cs:21	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::addAcc	Benchmarks.exe	New
X16	Write	nbodies.cs:84	VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::startBodies	Benchmarks.exe	New

Observations help identify problem

Filter

Severity

Memory reuse 4 items

Site Name

nbody site 5 items

Source

body.cs 3 items
nbodies.cs 5 items

Module

Benchmarks.exe 5 items

State

New 5 items

Sort By Item Name

Analyze your annotations to see if you made a correct choice

and then Repeat...

You do not have to choose the perfect answer the first time, so you can go back and modify your choices

Iterative refinement will either

- Create a suitable and correct annotation proposal
- Conclude no viable sites are possible

Efficiently arriving at either answer is valuable

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Add Parallel Framework

Advisor XE Workflow

- 1. Survey Target**
Where should I consider adding parallelism? Locate the loops and functions where your program [read more](#)
Collect Survey Data
View Survey Result
- 2. Annotate Sources**
Add Intel Advisor XE annotations to [identify](#) possible parallel tasks and their enclosing parallel sites.
Steps to annotate
View Annotations
- 3. Check Suitability**
Analyze the annotated program to check its predicted parallel [performance](#).
Collect Suitability Data
View Suitability Result
- 4. Check Correctness**
[Predict](#) parallel data sharing problems for the annotated tasks. [Fix](#) the reported sharing problems.
Collect Correctness Data
View Correctness Result
- 5. Add Parallel Framework**
Steps to replace annotations
View Summary

Summary of predicted parallel b

Intel Advisor XE helps you choose

Intel Advisor XE tools help you: (1) choose application to locate where it spends its time. Insert Intel Advisor XE annotations to identify your code's parallel behavior.

Potential program gain¹: 1.12x (8 CPUs, Microsoft TPL Threading Model)

These annotated parallel sites were detected:

Parallel Site	Maximum Site Gain ¹	Correctness Problems
Start Bodies (nbodies.cs:103)	1.33x	0 ? ?

The most time-consuming (hot) functions found during Survey analysis appear below. Consider adding parallel site and task annotations around these functions so Suitability and Correctness can predict their parallel behavior.

Function	Source Location	CPU Time ²
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::start	potential.cs:62	9.8229s
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::start	nbodies.cs:106	7.4341s

Potential program gain¹: 2.41x (8 CPUs, Microsoft TPL Threading Model)

These annotated parallel sites were detected:

Parallel Site	Maximum Site Gain ¹	Correctness Problems
potential site (potential.cs:61)	7.64x	0 ? ?
nbody site (nbodies.cs:101)	1.32x	0 ? ?

The most time-consuming (hot) functions found during Survey analysis appear below. Consider adding parallel site and task annotations around these functions so Suitability and Correctness can predict their parallel behavior.

Function	Source Location	CPU Time ²
<>c_DisplayClass1::<ForWorker>b_c	?	10.9345s
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::NBODIES::start	nbodies.cs:105	7.3358s
VTuneAmplifierXE::Examples::POTENTIAL::computePot_st	potential.cs:41	2.8775s

Collection Details.

Survey

Collection started: 21 March 2012, 6:01:26 PM
Collection finished: 21 March 2012, 6:01:39 PM
Elapsed time: 00 min 13 sec
Collector Log: See log
Application Output: See output
Collector Command Line: See command line

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Summary

The Intel Advisor XE is a unique tool

- assists you to work smarter through detailed modeling
- guides you through the necessary steps
- leaves you in full control of your code and architectural choices
- lets you transform serial algorithms into parallel form faster

The parallel modeling methodology

- maintains your original application's semantics and behavior
- helps find the natural opportunities to exploit parallel execution

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