# Sections Construct (9A)

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# **sections** construct

- a non-iterative worksharing construct
- contains a set of <u>structured blocks</u>
- each structured block
  - are <u>distributed</u> among <u>threads</u> in a team
  - <u>executed</u> <u>once</u> by <u>one</u> of the <u>threads</u> in a team
  - in the context of its implicit task.

### **sections** construct

```
#pragma omp sections [clause[ [,] clause] ... ] new-line
  [#pragma omp section new-line]
    structured-block
  [#pragma omp section new-line
    structured-block
where clause is one of the following:
private(list)
firstprivate(list)
lastprivate([ lastprivate-modifier:] list)
reduction([reduction-modifier]] reduction-identifier: list)
allocate([allocator :] list)
nowait
```

https://www.openmp.org/spec-html/5.0/openmpsu37.html#x59-1010002.8.1

# **section** construct

```
#pragma omp sections [clause[ [,] clause] ... ] new-line
{
   [#pragma omp section new-line]
     structured-block
[#pragma omp section new-line
     structured-block]
   ...
}
```

When program execution reaches a **omp sections** directive, program segments defined by the following **omp section** directive are distributed for parallel execution among available threads.

A barrier is implicitly defined at the end of the larger program region associated with the **omp sections** directive unless the nowait clause is specified.

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#### **References**

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