

# Intel® C++ Composer XE 2013 SP1 for Windows\* Installation Guide and Release Notes

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## 1 Introduction

This document describes how to install the product, provides a summary of new and changed product features and includes notes about features and problems not described in the product documentation.

Due to the nature of this comprehensive integrated software development tools solution, different Intel® C++ Composer XE components may be covered by different licenses. Please see the licenses included in the distribution as well as the [Disclaimer and Legal Information](#) section of these release notes for details.

### 1.1 Change History

This section highlights important from the previous product version and changes in product updates. For information on what is new in each component, please read the individual component release notes.

#### 1.1.1 Changes since Intel® C++ Composer XE 2013

- [Online installation](#)
- Intel® C++ Compiler XE 14.0.0
- [Support for Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture \(Intel® MIC Architecture\)](#)
- [Preview Support for Intel® Graphics Technology](#)
- [Features from C++11 \(-std=c++11\)](#)
- [Partial OpenMP\\* 4.0 RC2 support](#)
- [Intel® Cilk™ Plus changes](#)
- `__INTEL_COMPILER_UPDATE` predefined macro
- [Pointer type alignment qualifiers](#)
- [Variable definition attributes to avoid false sharing](#)
- [Using offload code in shared libraries requires main program to be linked with `-offload=mandatory` or `-offload=optional` option](#)
- [Limitations of `\_Cilk\_shared`](#)
- [/Qopenmp-offload and /Qopenmp-simd options added for controlling the enabling/disabling of specific OpenMP\\* 4.0 features independently of other OpenMP features](#)

- /QxATOM\_SSE4.2 option added to support Silvermont microarchitecture
- [Intel® Debugging Extension 1.0 for Intel® MIC Architecture](#)
- [Intel® Math Kernel Library updated to version 11.1](#)
- Intel® Integrated Performance Primitives updated to version 8.0 update 1
- Intel® Threading Building Blocks updated to version 4.2

## 1.2 Product Contents

*Intel® C++ Composer XE 2013 SP1 for Windows\** includes the following components:

- Intel® C++ Compiler XE 14.0.0 for building applications that run on IA-32 or Intel® 64 architecture systems or Intel® Xeon Phi™ coprocessors running the Windows\* operating system
- Intel® Debugger Extension 1.0 for Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture)
- Intel® Integrated Performance Primitives 8.0 update 1
- Intel® Math Kernel Library 11.1
- Intel® Threading Building Blocks 4.2
- Integration into Microsoft\* development environments
- Sample programs
- On-disk documentation

## 1.3 System Requirements

For an explanation of architecture names, see <http://intel.ly/q9JVjE>

- A PC based on an IA-32 or Intel® 64 architecture processor supporting the Intel® Streaming SIMD Extensions 2 (Intel® SSE2) instructions (Intel® Pentium® 4 processor or later), or compatible non-Intel processor
  - For the best experience, a multi-core or multi-processor system is recommended
- 1GB RAM (2GB recommended)
- 4GB free disk space for all product features and all architectures
- For Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture) development/testing:
  - Intel® Xeon Phi™ processor
  - [Intel® Manycore Platform Software Stack \(Intel® MPSS\)](#)
  - Debugging of offload code requires Microsoft Visual Studio\* 2012
- For Intel® Graphics Technology development:
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Intel® Core™ processor or Intel® Xeon® processor I-series
  - [Latest 32-bit Intel® HD Graphics Driver](#)
  - Microsoft Visual Studio 2010\* or Visual Studio 2012\* (Express edition only supports command-line development)
- Microsoft Windows XP\*, Microsoft Windows 7\*, Microsoft Windows 8\*, Microsoft Windows Server 2008\*, Microsoft Windows HPC Server 2008\*, or Microsoft Windows Server 2012\* (embedded editions not supported)

- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 or Windows HPC Server 2008 requires Microsoft Visual Studio 2010\* or Visual Studio 2008\* SP1.
  - On Microsoft Windows 8 and Microsoft Windows Server 2012, the product installs into the “Desktop” environment. Development of “Windows 8 UI” applications is not supported. [4]
- To use the Microsoft Visual Studio development environment or command-line tools to build IA-32 or Intel® 64 architecture applications, one of:
  - Microsoft Visual Studio 2012\* Standard Edition (or higher edition) with C++ component installed
  - Microsoft Visual Studio 2010\* Standard Edition (or higher edition) with C++ and “X64 Compiler and Tools” components installed [1]
  - Microsoft Visual Studio 2008\* Standard Edition (or higher edition) with C++ and “X64 Compiler and Tools” components installed [1]
- To use command-line tools only to build IA-32 architecture applications, one of:
  - Microsoft Visual C++ Express 2012 for Windows Desktop\*
  - Microsoft Visual C++ 2010\* Express Edition
  - Microsoft Visual C++ 2008\* Express Edition
- To use command-line tools only to build Intel® 64 architecture applications, one of:
  - Microsoft Visual C++ Express 2012 for Windows Desktop\*
  - Microsoft Windows\* Software Development Kit for Windows 8\*
- To read the on-disk documentation, Adobe Reader\* 7.0 or later

Notes:

1. Microsoft Visual Studio 2008 Standard Edition installs the “x64 Compiler and Tools” component by default – the Professional and higher editions require a “Custom” install to select this. Microsoft Visual Studio 2010 includes x64 support by default.
2. The default for the Intel® compilers is to build IA-32 architecture applications that require a processor supporting the Intel® SSE2 instructions - for example, the Intel® Pentium® 4 processor. A compiler option is available to generate code that will run on any IA-32 architecture processor. However, if your application uses Intel® Integrated Performance Primitives or Intel® Threading Building Blocks, executing the application will require a processor supporting the Intel® SSE2 instructions.
3. Applications can be run on the same Windows versions as specified above for development. Applications may also run on non-embedded 32-bit versions of Microsoft Windows earlier than Windows XP, though Intel does not test these for compatibility. Your application may depend on a Win32 API routine not present in older versions of Windows. You are responsible for testing application compatibility. You may need to copy certain run-time DLLs onto the target system to run your application.
4. Intel® C++ Composer XE does not support development of Windows 8\* UI apps. We are always interested in your comments and suggestions. For example, if you want to use the Intel® C++ Compiler XE or other Intel software development capabilities in Windows 8 UI apps, please file a request at Intel® Premier Support (<https://premier.intel.com/>).

If you are interested in experimenting with unsupported Intel software development

capabilities for developing Windows 8 UI apps, please read *Experimenting with Intel C++ Composer XE for Windows and Windows 8 Store Apps* (<http://intel.ly/WLeXRo>).

### 1.3.1 Visual Studio 2008\* is Deprecated

Support for Visual Studio 2008\* has been deprecated and will be removed in a future release.

### 1.3.2 Windows XP\* is Deprecated

Support for Windows XP\* has been deprecated and will be removed in a future release.

### 1.3.3 IA-64 Architecture (Intel® Itanium®) Development Not Supported

This product version does not support development on or for IA-64 architecture (Intel® Itanium®) systems. The version 11.1 compiler remains available for development of IA-64 architecture applications.

### 1.3.4 Windows Server 2003\* and Windows Vista\* Not Supported

Support has been removed for installation and use on Windows Server 2003 and Windows Vista. Intel recommends migrating to a newer version of these operating systems.

### 1.3.5 Visual Studio 2005\* Not Supported

Support has been removed for installation and use with Visual Studio 2005. Intel recommends migrating to a newer version of Visual Studio\*.

## 1.4 Documentation

Product documentation can be found in the `Documentation` folder as shown under [Installation Folders](#).

### Optimization Notice

Intel's compilers may or may not optimize to the same degree for non-Intel microprocessors for optimizations that are not unique to Intel microprocessors. These optimizations include SSE2, SSE3, and SSSE3 instruction sets and other optimizations. Intel does not guarantee the availability, functionality, or effectiveness of any optimization on microprocessors not manufactured by Intel. Microprocessor-dependent optimizations in this product are intended for use with Intel microprocessors. Certain optimizations not specific to Intel microarchitecture are reserved for Intel microprocessors. Please refer to the applicable product User and Reference Guides for more information regarding the specific instruction sets covered by this notice.

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## 1.5 Samples

Samples for each product component can be found in the `Samples` folder as shown under [Installation Folders](#).

## 1.6 Japanese Language Support

Intel compilers provide support for Japanese language users. Error messages, visual development environment dialogs and some documentation are provided in Japanese in addition to English. By default, the language of error messages and dialogs matches that of your operating system language selection. Japanese-language documentation can be found in the `ja_JP` subdirectory for documentation and samples.

Japanese language support will be available in an update on or after the release of Intel® C++ Composer XE 2013 SP1.

If you wish to use Japanese-language support on an English-language operating system, or English-language support on a Japanese-language operating system, you will find instructions at <http://intel.ly/oZjpZs>

## 1.7 Technical Support

If you did not register your compiler during installation, please do so at the Intel® Software Development Products Registration Center at <http://registrationcenter.intel.com>. Registration entitles you to free technical support, product updates and upgrades for the duration of the support term.

For information about how to find Technical Support, Product Updates, User Forums, FAQs, tips and tricks, and other support information, please visit <http://www.intel.com/software/products/support/>

**Note:** If your distributor provides technical support for this product, please contact them for support rather than Intel.

## 2 Installation

### 2.1 Online Installation now available in Intel® Composer XE 2013 SP1

The default electronic installation package for Intel® Composer XE 2013 SP1 now consists of a smaller installation package that dynamically downloads and then installs packages selected to be installed. This requires a working internet connection and potentially a proxy setting if you are behind an internet proxy. Full packages are provided alongside where you download this online install package if a working internet connection is not available.

### 2.2 Installation of Intel® Manycore Platform Software Stack (Intel® MPSS)

The Intel® Manycore Platform Software Stack (Intel® MPSS) may be installed before or after installing the Intel® Composer XE 2013 SP1 for Windows\* including Intel® MIC Architecture product.

Refer to the Intel® MPSS documentation for the necessary steps to install the user space and kernel drivers.



## 2.3 Installation of Intel® HD Graphics Driver

The latest 32-bit Intel® HD Graphics Driver may be installed before or after installing the Intel® Composer XE 2013 for Windows\* to develop and/or test offload for Intel® Graphics Technology. To obtain the driver, go to <http://downloadcenter.intel.com>. Search for “Intel HD Graphics Driver”. Download and install the latest 32-bit driver for your Windows operating system (15.31 at the time of this release note).

## 2.4 Intel® Software Manager

The installation now provides an Intel® Software Manager to provide a simplified delivery mechanism for product updates and provide current license status and news on all installed Intel® software products.

You can also volunteer to provide Intel anonymous usage information about these products to help guide future product design. This option, the Intel® Software Improvement Program, is not enabled by default – you can opt-in during installation or at a later time, and may opt-out at any time. For more information please see <http://intel.ly/SoftwareImprovementProgram>.

## 2.5 Pre-installation Steps

### 2.5.1 Configure Visual Studio for 64-bit Applications

If you are using Microsoft Visual Studio 2008\* and will be developing 64-bit applications (for the Intel® 64 architecture) you may need to change the configuration of Visual Studio to add 64-bit support.

If you are using Visual Studio 2008\* Standard Edition, or Visual Studio 2010\* Professional Edition or higher, no configuration is needed to build Intel® 64 architecture applications. For other editions:

1. From Control Panel > Add or Remove Programs, select “Microsoft Visual Studio 2008” > Change/Remove. The Visual Studio Maintenance Mode window will appear. Click Next.
2. Click Add or Remove Features
3. Under “Select features to install”, expand Language Tools > Visual C++
4. If the box “X64 Compiler and Tools” is not checked, check it, then click Update. If the box is already checked, click Cancel.

Note that Visual C++ Express Edition does not support 64-bit development.

## 2.6 Installation

The installation of the product requires a valid license file or serial number. If you are evaluating the product, you can also choose the “Evaluate this product (no serial number required)” option during installation.

If you received your product on DVD, insert the first product DVD in your computer’s DVD drive; the installation should start automatically. If it does not, open the top-level folder of the DVD drive in Windows Explorer and double-click on setup.exe.

If you received your product as a downloadable file, double-click on the executable file (.EXE) to begin installation. Note that there are several different downloadable files available, each providing different combinations of components. Please read the download web page carefully to determine which file is appropriate for you.

You do not need to uninstall previous versions or updates before installing a newer version – the new version will coexist with the older versions

### 2.6.1 Changes to system PATH may cause temporary in-operation of command shell (cmd.exe)

On Windows\* 7 or 8, if the installation's additions to the system PATH cause the PATH length to consist of between 2000-4000 characters, this could cause the Windows command prompt (cmd.exe) to not work until the next reboot. If you observe such behavior after installation, reboot and if the symptom persists, contact [Technical Support](#).

### 2.6.2 Silent Install

For information on automated or “silent” install capability, please see <http://intel.ly/nKrzhv>

### 2.6.3 Cluster Installation

If Microsoft Compute Cluster Pack\* is present, and the installation detects that the installing system is a member of a cluster, the product will be installed on all visible nodes of the cluster when a “Full” installation is requested. If a “Custom” installation is requested, you will be given the option to install on the current node only.

### 2.6.4 Using a License Server

If you have purchased a “floating” license, see <http://intel.ly/pjGfwC> for information on how to install using a license file or license server. This article also provides a source for the Intel® License Server that can be installed on any of a wide variety of systems.

## 2.7 Changing, Updating and Removing the Product

Use the Windows Control Panel “Add or Remove Products” applet to change which product components are installed or to remove the product.

When installing an updated version of the product, you do not need to remove the older version first. You can have multiple versions of the compiler installed and select among them. If you remove a newer version of the product you may have to reinstall the integrations into Microsoft Visual Studio from the older version.

## 2.8 Installation Folders

The installation folder arrangement is shown in the diagram below. Not all folders will be present in a given installation.

- C:\Program Files\Intel\Composer XE 2013 SP1
  - o bin
    - ia32
    - ia32\_gfx

- ia32\_intel64
- intel64
- intel64\_mic
- sourcechecker
- o compiler
  - include
    - cilk
    - ia32
    - intel64
    - mic
  - lib
    - ia32
    - intel64
    - mic
  - o locale
    - en\_US
    - ja\_JP
  - perf\_headers
    - C++
- o Debugger
  - gdb
    - LICENSES
    - src
    - target
      - o mic
        - bin
        - lib
        - share
          - man
            - o man1
  - w64\_mic
    - o bin
    - o include
      - gdb
    - o lib
    - o share
      - gdb
  - python
    - o gdb
      - command
      - function
  - syscalls

- info
    - locale
    - man
  - man1
- debuggerextension
  - mic
    - scripts
- Documentation
  - en\_US
    - compiler\_c
      - cl
    - debugger
      - gdb
        - pdf
    - gs\_resources
    - ipp
      - get\_started\_files
      - ipp\_userguide
      - tutorials
    - mkl
      - get\_started\_files
      - mkl\_userguide
      - tutorials
    - ssadiag\_docs
    - tbb
      - get\_started\_files
      - html
      - tutorial
    - tutorials
      - cmp\_gap\_c
      - cmp\_thd\_c
      - cmp\_vec\_c
  - msvhelp
    - 1033
      - compiler\_c
      - ipp
      - mkl
      - ssadiag
      - tbb
  - vshelp
    - intel.cppprodocs
    - intel.cprocompilerdocs
    - intel.ippdocs

- intel.mkldocs
  - intel.sssadiag
  - intel.tbbdocs
- o Help
- o ipp
  - bin
  - examples
  - include
  - interfaces
  - lib
  - tools
- o mkl
  - benchmarks
  - bin
  - examples
  - include
  - interfaces
  - lib
  - tests
  - tools
- o redist
  - ia32
    - compiler
      - o 1033
      - o irml
      - o irml\_c
    - ipp
      - o 1033
    - mkl
      - o 1033
    - tbb
      - o vc\_mt
      - o vc9
      - o vc10
      - o vc11
  - intel64
    - compiler
      - o 1033
      - o irml
      - o irml\_c
    - ipp
      - o 1033
    - mkl

- o 1033
  - tbb
    - o vc\_mt
    - o vc9
    - o vc10
    - o vc11
- o Samples
  - en\_US
    - C++
    - Ipp
    - mkl
- o tbb
  - bin
  - examples
  - include
    - serial
      - o tbb
    - tbb
      - o compat
      - o internal
      - o machine
  - lib
    - ia32
      - o vc\_mt
      - o vc9
      - o vc10
      - o vc11
    - intel64
      - o vc\_mt
      - o vc9
      - o vc10
      - o vc11
- o VS Integration
  - C++
    - VS2008

Where the folders under `bin`, `include` and `lib` are used as follows:

- `ia32`: Files used to build applications that run on IA-32
- `intel64`: Files used to build applications that run on Intel® 64
- `ia32_intel64`: Compilers that run on IA-32 to build applications that run on Intel®64

If you are installing on a system with a non-English language version of Windows, the name of the `Program Files` folder may be different. On Intel® 64 architecture systems, the folder name is `Program Files (X86)` or the equivalent.

By default, updates of a given version will replace the existing directory contents. When the first update is installed, the user is given the option of having the new update installed alongside the previous installation, keeping both on the system. If this is done, the top-level folder name for the older update is changed to `Composer XE 2013.nnn` where `nnn` is the update number.

## 3 Intel® C++ Compiler

This section summarizes changes, new features and late-breaking news about the Intel C++ Compiler.

### 3.1 Compatibility

In version 11, the IA-32 architecture default for code generation has changed to assume that Intel® Streaming SIMD Extensions 2 (Intel® SSE2) instructions are supported by the processor on which the application is run. [See below](#) for more information.

### 3.2 New and Changed Features

C++ Composer XE 2013 SP1 now contains Intel® C++ Compiler XE 14.0. The following features are new or significantly enhanced in this version. For more information on these features, please refer to the documentation.

- [Support for Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture \(Intel® MIC Architecture\)](#)
- [Preview Support for Intel® Graphics Technology](#)
- Features from C++11 (-std=c++11)
  - Complete (instead of partial) implementation of initializer lists. See N2672 and N3217.
  - Complete implementation of inline namespaces. See N2535.
  - Complete implementation of non-static data member initializers. See N2756.
  - Complete implementation of generalized constant expressions. See N2235.
  - Complete implementation of unrestricted unions. See N2544.
  - Delegating constructors. See N1986.
  - Rvalue references for `*this`. See N2439.
  - Raw string literals. See N2442.
  - Conversions of lambdas to function pointers.
  - Implicit move constructors and assignment operators. See N3053.
  - `__bases` and `__direct_bases` type traits.
  - The context-sensitive keyword "final" can now be used on a class definition, and "final" and "override" can be used on member function declarations. See N2928, N3206, and N3272.
  - Complete implementation of the "noexcept" specifier and operator. See N3050. Includes the late instantiation of noexcept per core issue 1330.
- [Partial OpenMP\\* 4.0 RC1 and TR1 support](#)

- [Intel® Cilk™ Plus changes](#)
- `__INTEL_COMPILER_UPDATE` predefined macro
- [Pointer type alignment qualifiers](#)
- [Variable definition attributes to avoid false sharing](#)

### 3.2.1 Preview Support for Intel® Graphics Technology offload added in Composer XE 2013 SP1

The Intel® C++ Composer XE 2013 SP1 compiler now adds preview support for offload for Intel® Graphics Technology with the following requirements:

- Windows\* 32-bit applications only
- A 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Intel® Core™ processor or above or an Intel® Xeon® processor I-series
- Microsoft Visual Studio 2010\* or 2012\*
- Single-threaded code only

Debugging on the GPU is not enabled at this time – any debugging should be done on the CPU. A tutorial “Getting Started Tutorial: Using Intel® Graphics Technology” is included demonstrating the technology. It can be found at Start->All Programs->Intel® Parallel Studio XE 2013->Tutorials->C++ Composer XE 2013 SP1 Tutorial.

### 3.2.2 Updated Support for Upcoming OpenMP\* features added in Composer XE 2013 SP1

Composer XE 2013 SP1 adds support for certain preliminary OpenMP\* features. The features added as defined in the OpenMP\* 4.0 Public Review Release Candidate 2 specification available from <http://openmp.org> are:

- SIMD pragmas, directives, and clauses
- TARGET directives for attached accelerators
- `#pragma omp taskgroup construct`
- Atomic clause `seq_cst`
- Six new forms of atomic capture and update:
  - Atomic swap: `{v = x; x = expr;}`
  - Atomic update: `x = expr binop x;`
  - Atomic capture 1: `v = x = x binop expr;`
  - Atomic capture 2: `v =x = expr binop x;`
  - Atomic capture 3: `{x = expr binop x; v = x;}`
  - Atomic capture 4: `{v = x; x = expr binop x;}`
- `proc_bind(<type>)` clause where `<type>` is “spread”, “close”, or “master”
- `OMP_PLACES` environment variable
- `OMP_PROC_BIND` environment variable
- `omp_get_proc_bind()` API

For more information, see <http://intel.ly/W7CHjb>.



### 3.2.3 Intel® Cilk™ Plus changes in Intel® C++ Composer XE 2013 SP1

Please note the following new features for Intel® Cilk™ Plus in Intel C++ Composer XE 2013 SP1:

- Elemental function implementation has changed to be more compatible with other vector function implementations in gcc and OpenMP\*. This breaks binary compatibility with previous Intel® C++ Compiler versions (13.1 and earlier). You should either rebuild all codes using elemental functions with the version 14.0 compiler, or use the /Qvecabi:legacy compiler option to use the previous implementation.
- New multiply reducer defined in `cilk/reducer_opmul.h`
- Three new array notation reduction intrinsics have been added to support bitwise reduction operations:
  - `__sec_reduce_and`
  - `__sec_reduce_or`
  - `__sec_reduce_xor`

### 3.2.4 New attribute for pointers and pointer types to specify assumed data alignment in Composer XE 2013 SP1

`__declspec(align_value(N))` and `__attribute__((align_value(N)))` have been added to indicate to the compiler it can assume the specified alignment “N” when using the attributed pointer type. For example:

```
typedef float float_a16
__attribute__((align_value (16)));

void foo(float_a16 *restrict dest, float_a16 *restrict src){
```

Let's the compiler know that the src and dest arguments should be aligned by the user on 16-byte boundaries.

### 3.2.5 New attribute to variable declarations to avoid false sharing in Composer XE 2013 SP1

`__declspec(avoid_false_share)/__attribute__((avoid_false_share))` and `__declspec(avoid_false_share(identifier))/__attribute__((avoid_false_share(identifier)))` have been added to indicate to the compiler that the variable attributed should be suitably padded or aligned to avoid false sharing with any other variable. If an identifier is specified, then any variables attributed with that identifier will be padded or aligned to avoid false sharing with any other variables except those others with the same identifier. These attributes must be on variable definitions in function, global, or namespace scope. If in function scope, the scope of the identifier is the current function. If the variable definition is in global or namespace scope, the scope of the identifier is in the current compilation unit.

### 3.2.6 New `__INTEL_COMPILER_UPDATE` predefined macro in Composer XE 2013 SP1

A new `__INTEL_COMPILER_UPDATE` predefined macro can now be used to obtain the minor update number for the Intel® Compiler being used. For example, for a compiler version 14.0.2, the macro would preprocess to “2”.

### 3.2.7 Static Analysis Feature (formerly “Static Security Analysis” or “Source Checker”) Requires Intel® Inspector XE

The “Source Checker” feature, from compiler version 11.1, has been enhanced and renamed “Static Analysis”. The compiler options to enable Static Analysis remain the same as in compiler version 11.1 (for example, `/Qdiag-enable:sc`), but the results are now written to a file that is interpreted by Intel® Inspector XE rather than being included in compiler diagnostics output.

### 3.2.8 Intel® C++ Project File Compatibility

The Intel C++ project file (`.icproj`) format changed in version 14.0 (Composer XE 2013 SP1). If you open a project created with an earlier version of Intel C++, you will get a message indicating that the project needs to be converted. A version 14.0 project cannot be used by an earlier version of the Intel C++ integration but you can use older versions of the compiler that you have installed through `Tools > Options > Intel C++ > Compilers`.

## 3.3 New and Changed Compiler Options

For details on these and all compiler options, see the Compiler Options section of the on-disk documentation.

### 3.3.1 New and Changed in Composer XE 2013 SP1

- `/Qopenmp-offload[-]`
- `/Qopenmp-simd[-]`
- `/QxATOM_SSE4.2`
- `/QxATOM_SSSE3`
- `/Qvecabi:<arg>`
- `/Qpar`
- `/pdbfile[:filename]`
- `/nopdbfile`
- `/Wpch-messages[-]`
- `/Qmic`
- `/Qoffload[:keyword]`
- `/Qoffload-attribute-target:target-name`
- `/Qoffload-option, target, tool, “option-list”`
- `/Qopt-assume-safe-padding`
- `/Qopt-prefetch-distance:n1[,n2]`
- `/Qopt-streaming-cache-evict[:n]`
- `/Qopt-threads-per-core:n`

For a list of deprecated compiler options, see the Compiler Options section of the documentation.

### 3.3.2 `/Qopenmp-offload[-]` and `/Qopenmp-simd[-]` added to Composer XE 2013 SP1

These two options allow you to enable/disable the TARGET and SIMD features of OpenMP\* 4.0 independently of support of the rest of OpenMP\* (enabled with `/Qopenmp`). When `/Qopenmp` is

specified, /Qopenmp-offload and /Qopenmp-simd are set as well, allowing the use of these features.

### 3.3.3 /Wpch-messages[-] added to Composer XE 2013 SP1

Functionality to enable or disable diagnostics related to pre-compiled headers has been added to Composer XE 2013 SP1.

### 3.3.4 Deprecated Options

Use following method to find all the deprecated compiler options:

- 1) Open a command prompt from Start menu: Start > All Programs > Intel Parallel Studio XE 2013 > Command Prompt > Parallel Studio XE with Intel Compiler XE v14.0 [Update xx] > IA-32/Intel® 64 Visual Studio xxx mode
- 2) Run command:

```
>> icl /? deprecate
```

## 3.4 Other Changes

### 3.4.1 Build Environment Command Script Change

The command window script used to establish the build environment allows the optional specification of the version of Microsoft Visual Studio to use. If you are not using the predefined Start menu shortcut to open a build environment window, use the following command to establish the proper environment:

```
"<install-dir>\bin\compilervars.bat" arch [vs]
```

Where *arch* is one of followings as appropriate for the target architecture you want to build for:

- ia32
- ia32\_intel64
- intel64

*vs* is optional and can be one of followings. If *vs* is not specified, the version of Visual Studio specified at installation time for command-line integration is used by default.

- vs2012
- vs2010
- vs2008

If you also have Intel® Visual Fortran Composer XE 2013 installed, this command will also establish the environment for using that compiler.

The script file names iclvars.bat and ifortvars.bat have been retained for compatibility with previous releases.

### 3.4.2 OpenMP\* Static Libraries Removed

The static versions of the OpenMP\* runtime libraries have been removed from this release. You must link these runtimes dynamically.

### 3.4.3 Using Intel C++ Projects with a Source Control System

If your project is managed under a source control system, for example, Microsoft Visual Source Safe\* or Microsoft Visual Studio Team Foundation Server\*, there are additional steps you must follow in order to use the Intel C++ project system with your project. A detailed article on this topic is available at <http://intel.ly/plmnp0>

## 3.5 Known Issues

### 3.5.1 Compiler Known Issues

#### 3.5.1.1 *Displaying online documentation with Internet Explorer 10\**

A script used in the documentation may be blocked in Internet Explorer 10\*. When this occurs, the documentation will display as a blank page or the error message "Internet Explorer restricted this page from running scripts or ActiveX controls" will appear. Click "Allow blocked content" in order to display the documentation. If the error message does not appear, go to `Tools > Internet Options > Security` in the Internet Explorer settings and set it to "prompt before downloading potentially unsafe content."

#### 3.5.1.2 *Missing documentation for functions to check decimal floating-point status*

To detect exceptions occurring during decimal floating-point arithmetic, use the following floating-point exception functions:

Function	Brief Description
<code>fe_dec_feclearexcept</code>	Clears the supported floating-point exceptions
<code>fe_dec_fegetexceptflag</code>	Stores an implementation-defined representation of the states of the floating-point status flags
<code>fe_dec_feraiseexcept</code>	Raises the supported floating-point exceptions
<code>fe_dec_fesetexceptflag</code>	Sets the floating-point status flags
<code>fe_dec_fetestexcept</code>	Determines which of a specified subset of the floating point exception flags are currently set

The decimal floating-point exception functions are defined in the `fenv.h` header file.

Similar binary floating-point exception functions are described in ISO C99.

To compile the source using DFP, use the preprocessor macro `__STDC_WANT_DEC_FP__`.

### 3.5.1.3 *Command-Line Diagnostic Issue for Filenames with Japanese Characters*

The filename in compiler diagnostics for filenames containing Japanese characters may be displayed incorrectly when compiled within a Windows command shell using the native Intel® 64 architecture compiler. It is not a problem when using Visual Studio or when using the Intel® 64 architecture cross-compiler or IA-32 architecture compiler

## 3.5.2 Visual Studio Known Issues

### 3.5.3 Showing Documentation Issue with Microsoft Visual Studio 2012\* and Windows Server 2012\*

If on Windows Server 2012\* you find that you cannot display help or documentation from within Visual Studio 2012\*, correcting a security setting for Microsoft Internet Explorer\* usually corrects the problem. From `Tools > Internet Options > Security`, change the settings for Internet Zone to allow “MIME Sniffing” and “Active Scripting”.

#### 3.5.3.1 *MSVCP90D.dll (or other Microsoft runtime DLL) is missing*

There are situations where the sample projects provided (or any Microsoft Visual C++\* project potentially) could run into a runtime System Error where the application cannot find a Microsoft Visual Studio\* runtime DLL. This is related to manifest files and SXS assemblies potentially missing. The simplest solution is to go to your redist directory for the version of Microsoft Visual Studio\* you are using (default location would be `c:\program files[ (x86)]\Microsoft Visual Studio X.X\VC\redist`). There will be several subdirectories under this location, sorting files out by `amd64`, `x86` or `Debug_NonRedist` (if you have D in the runtime name, this usually indicates a Debug library found in this folder). Find the appropriate folder that contains the runtime you are looking for, and then copy the entire contents of that folder (including a `.manifest` file) to the directory where the `.exe` you are trying to run is located.

#### 3.5.3.2 *Visual Studio 2010 sets default of /fp:precise*

A project created in or converted to Visual Studio 2010 will have the command line option `/fp:precise` set by default. This option sets the “floating point model” to improve consistency for floating point operations by disabling certain optimizations, reducing performance. To set the option back to the Intel default of `/fp:fast`, change the project property C++ > Optimization > Floating Point Model to Fast.

#### 3.5.3.3 *Language packs of Visual Studio 2010*

If you install a new language pack of Visual Studio 2010 after installing the Intel C++ Composer XE 2013, you may not see the Intel C++ Compiler specific options in the Project Property dialog. Please try the following to fix the issue:

- 1) If directory “`<program files>\MSBuild\Microsoft.Cpp\v4.0\Platforms\[Win32|x64]\PlatformToolsets\Intel C++ Compiler XE 14.0\1033`” exists, copy all files to “`<program files>\MSBuild\Microsoft.Cpp\v4.0\Platforms\[Win32|x64]\PlatformToolsets\Intel C++ Compiler XE 14.0\<locale-ID>`”.

- 2) If directory "<program files>  
\\MSBuild\\Microsoft.Cpp\\v4.0\\Platforms\\[Win32|x64]\\PlatformToolset  
s\\v100\\1033\\" exists, copy all files to "<program files>  
\\MSBuild\\Microsoft.Cpp\\v4.0\\Platforms\\[Win32|x64]\\PlatformToolset  
s\\v100\\<locale-ID>".

\* The <locale-ID> is the language pack.

Another method is to uninstall the Intel C++ Composer XE 2013 and reinstall the Intel C++ Composer XE 2013.

### 3.5.4 Intel® Cilk™ Plus Known Issues

- Microsoft C++ Structured Exception Handling (SEH) will fail if an SEH exception is thrown after a steal occurs and before the corresponding `_Cilk_sync`.

### 3.5.5 Guided Auto-Parallel Known Issues

Guided Auto Parallel (GAP) analysis for single file, function name or specific range of source code does not work when Whole Program Interprocedural Optimization (/Qipo) is enabled. The workaround is to disable /Qipo – in Visual Studio, this is Project > [projectname] Properties > C++ > Optimization > Interprocedural Optimization > No.

### 3.5.6 Static Analysis Known Issues

#### 3.5.6.1 Excessive false messages on C++ classes with virtual functions

Note that use of the Static Analysis feature also requires the use of Intel® Inspector XE.

Static Analysis reports a very large number of incorrect diagnostics when processing any program that contains a C++ class with virtual functions. In some cases the number of spurious diagnostics is so large that the result file becomes unusable.

If your application contains this common C++ source construct, add the following command line switch to suppress the undesired messages: /Qdiag-disable:12020,12040 (Windows) or -diag-disable 12020,12040 (Linux). **This switch must be added at the link step because that is when static analysis results are created.** Adding the switch at the compile step alone is not sufficient. In Microsoft Visual Studio, add this to the property page Linker > Command Line.

If you are using a build specification to perform static analysis, add the `-disable-id 12020,12040` switch to the invocation of the `inspxe-runcsc`, for example,

```
inspxe-runcsc -spec-file mybuildspec.spec -disable-id 12020,12040
```

If you have already created a static result that was affected by this issue and you are able to open that result in the Intel® Inspector XE GUI, then you can hide the undesired messages as follows:

- The messages you will want to suppress are "Arg count mismatch" and "Arg type mismatch". For each problem type, do the following:
- Click on the undesired problem type in the Problem filter. This hides all other problem types.

- Click on any problem in the table of problem sets
- Type control-A to select all the problems
- Right click and select *Change State -> Not a problem* from the pop-up menu to set the state of all the undesired problems
- Reset the filter on problem type to All
- Repeat for the other unwanted problem type
- Set the Investigated/Not investigated filter to *Not investigated*. You may have to scroll down in the filter pane to see it as it is near the bottom. This hides all the undesired messages because the “Not a problem” state is considered a “not investigated” state.

## 4 Developing Applications for Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture)

This section summarizes changes, new features and late-breaking news about the Intel Composer XE 2013 for Windows\* including Intel® MIC Architecture.

### 4.1 About Intel® Composer XE 2013 SP1 for Windows\* including Intel® MIC Architecture

The Intel® Composer XE 2013 SP1 for Windows\* including Intel® MIC Architecture extends the feature set of the Intel® C++ Composer XE 2013 and the Intel® Fortran Composer XE 2013 products by enabling predefined sections of code to execute on an Intel® Xeon Phi™ coprocessor.

These sections of code run on the coprocessor if it is available. Otherwise, they run on the host CPU.

This document uses the terms *coprocessor* and *target* to refer to the target of an offload operation.

The current components of Intel® Composer XE 2013 SP1 that support Intel® MIC Architecture are the:

- Intel® C++ and Fortran Compilers
- Intel® Debugger Extension for Intel® MIC Architecture
- Intel® Math Kernel Library (Intel® MKL)
- Intel® Threading Building Blocks (Intel® TBB)
- Visual Studio\* IDE Integration

### 4.2 Getting Started

There is only one compiler that generates code both for Intel® 64 architecture and for Intel® MIC Architecture. Ensure you are using the compiler for Intel® 64 architecture from the command line or via the pre-provided shell in the Start Menu, or using an “x64” configuration in the Microsoft Visual Studio IDE\*. Refer to the [Notes](#) section below for further changes.

### 4.3 Product Documentation

Documentation concerning the Intel® MIC Architecture for Composer XE 2013 SP1 is currently undergoing change. For the latest documentation updates, please go to our web site at <http://intel.ly/MxPFYx>.

### 4.4 Intel® Math Kernel Library (Intel® MKL)

For details on Intel® MIC Architecture support, see the section on [Intel MKL](#).

### 4.5 Notes

### 4.6 Intel C++ Compiler

#### 4.6.1 Limitations of `_Cilk_shared` in Composer XE 2013 SP1

- A virtual base class may not have the `_Cilk_shared` attribute
- A class with the `_Cilk_shared` attribute may not be derived from multiple base classes (multiple inheritance is disallowed)
- A class with the `_Cilk_shared` attribute may not define a virtual destructor
- A class with the `_Cilk_shared` attribute, if used as a base class of another `_Cilk_shared` class, must be rounded up to be a multiple of 8 in size by the programmer (by adding dummy fields as needed)
- `_Cilk_offload` may not be used in a program that uses shared libraries (DLLs)

#### 4.6.2 Using offload code in shared libraries requires main program to be linked with `/Qoffload:mandatory` or `/Qoffload:optional` option

There is initialization required for offload that can only be done in the main program. For offload code in shared libraries, this means that the main program must also be linked for offload so that the initialization happens. This will happen automatically if the main code or code statically linked with the main program contains offload constructs. If that is not the case, you will need to link the main program with the `/Qoffload:mandatory` or `/Qoffload:optional` compiler options.

#### 4.6.3 Missing symbols not detected at link time

In the offload compilation model, the binaries targeting the Intel® MIC Architecture are generated as dynamic libraries (.so). Dynamic libraries do not need all referenced variables or routines to be resolved during linking as these can be resolved during load time. This behavior could mask some missing variable or routine in the application resulting in a failure during load time. In order to identify and resolve all missing symbols at link time, use the following command line option to list the unresolved variables.

```
/Qoffload-option,mic,compiler,"-z defs"
```

#### 4.6.4 \*MIC\* tag added to compile-time diagnostics

The compiler diagnostics infrastructure is modified to add an additional offload \*MIC\* tag to the output message to allow differentiation from the Target (Intel® MIC Architecture) and the host



CPU compilations. The additional tag appears only in the Target compilation diagnostics issued when compiling with offload extensions for Intel® MIC Architecture.

In the examples below the sample source programs trigger identical diagnostics during both the host CPU and Target Intel® MIC Architecture compilations; however, some programs will generate different diagnostics during these two compilations. The new tag permits easier association with either the CPU or Target compilation.

```
$ icl -c sample.c
sample.c(1): warning #1079: *MIC* return type of function "main" must
be "int"
    void main()
        ^
```

```
sample.c(5): warning #120: *MIC* return value type does not match the
function type
    return 0;
        ^
```

```
sample.c(1): warning #1079: return type of function "main" must be
"int"
    void main()
        ^
```

```
sample.c(5): warning #120: return value type does not match the
function type
    return 0;
```

#### 4.6.5 Runtime Type Information (RTTI) not supported

Runtime Type Information (RTTI) is not supported under the Virtual-Shared memory programming method; specifically, use of `dynamic_cast<>` and `typeid()` is not supported.

#### 4.6.6 Direct (native) mode requires transferring runtime libraries like `libiomp5.so` to coprocessor

The Intel® Manycore Platform Software Stack (Intel® MPSS) does not include Intel compiler libraries under `/lib`, for example the OpenMP\* library, `libiomp5.so`.

When running OpenMP\* applications in direct mode (i.e. on the coprocessor card), users must first upload (via `scp`) a copy of the Intel® MIC Architecture OpenMP\* library (`<install_dir>\compiler\lib\mic\libiomp5.so`) to the card (device names will be of the format `micN`, where the first card will be named `mic0`, the second `mic1`, and so on) before running their application.

Failure to make this library available will result in a run-time failure like:

```
/libexec/ld-elf.so.1: Shared object "libiomp5.so" not found, required
by "sample"
```

This can also apply to other compiler runtimes like libimf.so. The required libraries will depend on the application and how it's built.

#### 4.6.7 Calling `exit()` from an offload region

When calling `exit()` from within an offload region, the application terminates with an error diagnostic “offload error: process on the device 0 unexpectedly exited with code 0”

### 4.7 Intel® Debugger Extension for Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture)

This section summarizes the changes, new features, customizations and known issues related to the Intel® Debugger Extension. This debugger extension only supports code targeting Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture).

#### 4.7.1 Features

In addition to support for debugging on Intel® MIC Architecture, new features supported include:

- Trace enhancements based on Branch Trace Store

#### 4.7.2 Starting the debugger

Use “Start Debugging” from Microsoft Visual Studio\* with an application that offloads code to Intel® MIC Architecture. To debug an application natively targeting Intel® MIC Architecture, you will need to start the process first, and then attach to the process with the Visual Studio debugger.

#### 4.7.3 Documentation

In the documentation folder (`<installdir>\Documentation\<locale>\debugger`) there is full debugger documentation.

#### 4.7.4 Debugging in Microsoft Visual Studio\* Known Issues

- Offload debugging is only supported in Microsoft Visual Studio 2012\*.
- When attaching a second time in the same Visual Studio session to an Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture) process, then the main thread (ID=1) is not visible in the Threads Window.
  - Workaround: The Process Window shows the most important information about the main thread.
- Function Breakpoints do not function. They are shown as if they are enabled, but they do not break execution.
  - Workaround: Set the breakpoint via Source file.
- Data breakpoints are not yet supported
- Breakpoint hit count, condition and actions are not yet supported.
- Disassembly window cannot be scrolled outside of 1024 bytes from the starting address
- Expressions and addresses in the disassembly address window are not supported
- Handling of exceptions from the Intel® MIC Architecture application is not supported
- Disabling breakpoints does not work.

- Workaround: Delete the breakpoint and set it again
- Changing breakpoints while the application is running does not work. The changes will appear to be in effect but they are not applied.
- Starting an Intel® MIC Architecture native application is not supported. You can attach to a currently running application.
- Sometimes the Thread Window does not show all threads running on the coprocessor.
- The Thread Window in Microsoft Visual Studio\* offers context menu actions to Freeze, Thaw and Rename threads. These context menu actions are not functional when the thread is on a coprocessor.
- When setting a breakpoint on a code line in an offloaded code region, then this breakpoint gets bound on host and coprocessor side. These two breakpoints are visible when expanding the breakpoint in the Breakpoint Window from Microsoft Visual Studio\*. After a restart of the debug session this coprocessor-side breakpoint remains as a dead breakpoint – it should be ignored.
- Sometimes, when debugging into offloaded code, it can happen that the execution stops with the source position being the offload directive but the execution is actually inside a library routine. You should be able to continue execution from that point.

## 5 Intel® Integrated Performance Primitives

This section summarizes changes, new features and late-breaking news about this version of Intel® Integrated Performance Primitives (Intel® IPP).

The latest information on Intel® IPP 8.0 can be found in the product release notes under `<install dir>\Documentation\<locale>\ipp\ReleaseNotes.htm`.

For detailed information about IPP see the following links:

- **New features:** see the information below and visit the main Intel IPP product page on the Intel web site at: <http://intel.ly/OG5IF7>; and the Intel IPP Release Notes at <http://intel.ly/OmWI4d>.
- **Documentation, help, and samples:** see the documentation links on the IPP product page at: <http://intel.ly/OG5IF7>.

### 5.1 Intel® IPP Cryptography Libraries are Available as a Separate Download

The Intel® IPP cryptography libraries are available as a separate download. For download and installation instructions, please read <http://intel.ly/ndrGnR>

### 5.2 Intel® IPP Code Samples

The Intel® IPP code samples are organized into downloadable packages at <http://intel.ly/pnsHxc>

The samples include source code for audio/video codecs, image processing and media player applications, and for calling functions from C++, C# and Java\*. Instructions on how to build the sample are described in a readme file that comes with the installation package for each sample.

## 6 Intel® Math Kernel Library

This section summarizes changes, new features and late-breaking news about this version of the Intel® Math Kernel Library (Intel® MKL). All the bug fixes can be found here: <http://intel.ly/OeHQqf>

### 6.1 Notices

Please refer to the [Knowledge Base article on Deprecations](#) for more information on the following notices

- Intel® MKL now provides a choice of components to install. Components necessary for PGI\* compiler, Compaq Visual Fortran\* Compiler, SP2DP interface, BLAS95 and LAPACK95 interfaces, Cluster support (ScaLAPACK and Cluster DFT) and Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture) support are not installed unless explicitly selected during installation
- Unaligned Conditional Numerical Reproducibility (CNR) is not available for Intel MKL Cluster components (ScaLAPACK and Cluster DFT)
- Examples for using Intel MKL with Boost\* uBLAS and Java\* have been removed from product distribution and placed in the following articles:
  - [How to use Intel MKL with Java\\*](#)
  - [How to use Boost\\* uBLAS with Intel MKL](#)

### 6.2 Changes in This Version

#### 6.2.1 What's New in Intel MKL 11.1

- Conditional Numerical Reproducibility : Introduced support for Conditional Numerical Reproducibility (CNR) mode on unaligned data
- Intel MKL now supports compiler assisted offload and Automatic offload programming model on Intel Xeon Phi™ coprocessors based on the Intel® Many Integrated Core Architecture (Intel® MIC Architecture) on Windows\* OS\*
- Improved performance of CNR=AUTO mode on recent AMD\* systems
- BLAS:
  - Improved performance of [S/D]GEMV on all Intel processors supporting Intel® SSE4.2 and later
  - Optimized [D/Z]GEMM and double-precision Level 3 BLAS functions on Intel® Advanced Vector Extensions 2 (Intel® AVX2)
  - Optimized [Z/C]AXPY and [Z/C]DOT[U/C] on Intel® Advanced Vector Extensions (Intel® AVX) and Intel AVX2
  - Optimized sequential version of DTRMM on Intel MIC Architecture
  - Tuned DAXPY on Intel AVX2
- LAPACK:

- Improved performance of (S/D)SYRDB and (S/D)SYEV for large dimensions when only eigenvalues are needed
- Improved performance of xGESVD for small sizes like  $M, N < 10$
- VSL:
  - Added support and examples for mean absolute deviation
  - Improved performance of Weibull Random Number Generator (RNG) for  $\alpha=1$
  - Added support of raw and central statistical sums up to the 4th order, matrix of cross-products and median absolute deviation
  - Added a VSL example designed by S. Joe and F. Y. Kuo illustrating usage of Sobol QRNG with direction numbers which supports dimensions up to 21,201
  - Improved performance of SFMT19937 Basic Random Number Generator (BRNG) on Intel MIC Architecture
- DFT:
  - Improved performance of double precision complex-to-complex transforms on Intel MIC Architecture
  - Optimized complex-to-complex DFT on Intel AVX2
  - Optimized complex-to-complex 2D DFT on Intel® Xeon processor E5 v2 series
  - Improved performance for workloads specific to GENE application on Intel Xeon E5-series (Intel AVX) and on Intel AVX2
  - Improved documentation data layout for DFTI compute functions
  - Introduced scaling in large real-to-complex FFTs
- Data Fitting:
  - Improved performance of `df?Interpolate1D` and `df?SearchCells1D` functions on Intel Xeon processors and Intel MIC Architecture
  - Improved performance of `df?construct1d` function for linear and Hermite/Bessel/Akima cubic types of splines on Intel MIC Architecture, Intel® Xeon® processor X5570 and Intel® Xeon® processor E5-2690
- Transposition
  - Improved performance of in-place transposition for square matrices
- Examples and tests for using Intel MKL are now packaged as an archive to shorten the installation time
- Link Tool and Link Line advisor: Added support for Intel MIC Architecture on Windows\* OS

### 6.3 Attributions

As referenced in the End User License Agreement, attribution requires, at a minimum, prominently displaying the full Intel product name (e.g. "Intel® Math Kernel Library") and providing a link/URL to the Intel® MKL homepage (<http://www.intel.com/software/products/mkl>) in both the product documentation and website.

The original versions of the BLAS from which that part of Intel® MKL was derived can be obtained from <http://www.netlib.org/blas/index.html>.

The original versions of LAPACK from which that part of Intel® MKL was derived can be obtained from <http://www.netlib.org/lapack/index.html>. The authors of LAPACK are E. Anderson,

Z. Bai, C. Bischof, S. Blackford, J. Demmel, J. Dongarra, J. Du Croz, A. Greenbaum, S. Hammarling, A. McKenney, and D. Sorensen. Our FORTRAN 90/95 interfaces to LAPACK are similar to those in the LAPACK95 package at <http://www.netlib.org/lapack95/index.html>. All interfaces are provided for pure procedures.

The original versions of ScaLAPACK from which that part of Intel® MKL was derived can be obtained from <http://www.netlib.org/scalapack/index.html>. The authors of ScaLAPACK are L. S. Blackford, J. Choi, A. Cleary, E. D'Azevedo, J. Demmel, I. Dhillon, J. Dongarra, S. Hammarling, G. Henry, A. Petitet, K. Stanley, D. Walker, and R. C. Whaley.

The Intel® MKL Extended Eigensolver functionality is based on the Feast Eigenvalue Solver 2.0 <http://www.ecs.umass.edu/~polizzi/feast/>

PARDISO in Intel® MKL is compliant with the 3.2 release of PARDISO that is freely distributed by the University of Basel. It can be obtained at <http://www.pardiso-project.org>.

Some FFT functions in this release of Intel® MKL have been generated by the SPIRAL software generation system (<http://www.spiral.net/>) under license from Carnegie Mellon University. The Authors of SPIRAL are Markus Puschel, Jose Moura, Jeremy Johnson, David Padua, Manuela Veloso, Bryan Singer, Jianxin Xiong, Franz Franchetti, Aca Gacic, Yevgen Voronenko, Kang Chen, Robert W. Johnson, and Nick Rizzolo.

## 7 Intel® Threading Building Blocks

For information on changes in this version of Intel® Threading Building Blocks, please read the file `CHANGES` in the TBB documentation directory.

### 7.1 Known Issues

Please note the following with respect to this particular release of Intel Threading Building Blocks.

#### 7.1.1 Library Issues

- If you are using Intel Threading Building Blocks and OpenMP\* constructs mixed together in rapid succession in the same program, and you are using Intel compilers for your OpenMP\* code, set `KMP_BLOCKTIME` to a small value (e.g., 20 milliseconds) to improve performance. This setting can also be made within your OpenMP\* code via the `kmp_set_blocktime()` library call. See the Intel compiler OpenMP\* documentation for more details on `KMP_BLOCKTIME` and `kmp_set_blocktime()`.
- In general, non-debug ("release") builds of applications or examples should link against the non-debug versions of the Intel Threading Building Blocks libraries, and debug builds should link against the debug versions of these libraries. On Windows systems, compile with `/MD` and use Intel Threading Building Blocks release libraries, or compile with `/MDd` and use debug libraries; not doing so may cause run-time

failures. See the Tutorial in the product "Documentation" sub-directory for more details on debug vs. release libraries.

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