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# RAPIDS2 targets key computer science needs in four areas



## Data Understanding

- Ensemble analysis
- Feature detection
- Production visualization
- In situ analysis



## Artificial Intelligence

- Representation learning
- Surrogate modeling
- Automation

DOE  
Science

## Platform Readiness

- Heterogeneous programming
- Autotuning
- Performance modeling and analysis
- Correctness

## Scientific Data Management

- Storage and I/O
- Data Reduction
- Knowledge management
- Workflow automation

# Engaging with SciDAC Partnerships



# What's an Engagement?



- Engagements take a variety of forms
  - Short term: apply tools, etc.
  - Long term: co-design solutions
  - Can be multifaceted and/or multi-disciplinary
  - In collaboration with FASTMath
  - With new pilot programs
- Also engage with non-SciDAC teams, DOE facilities

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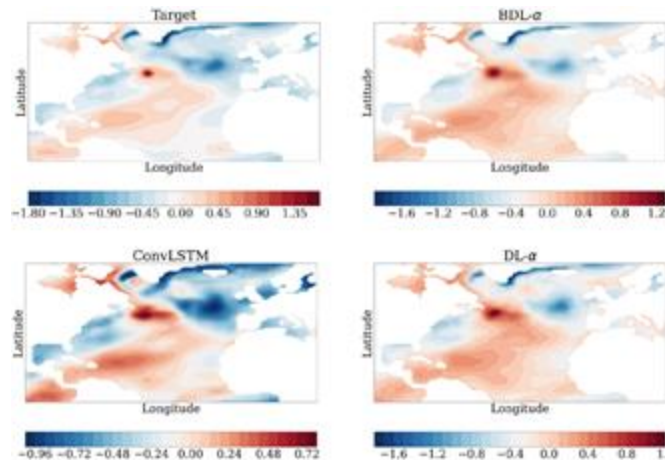


Figure 1. Prediction results

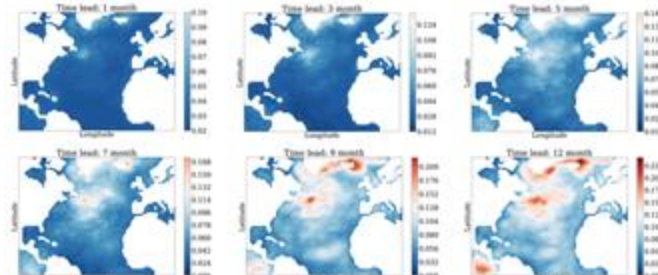


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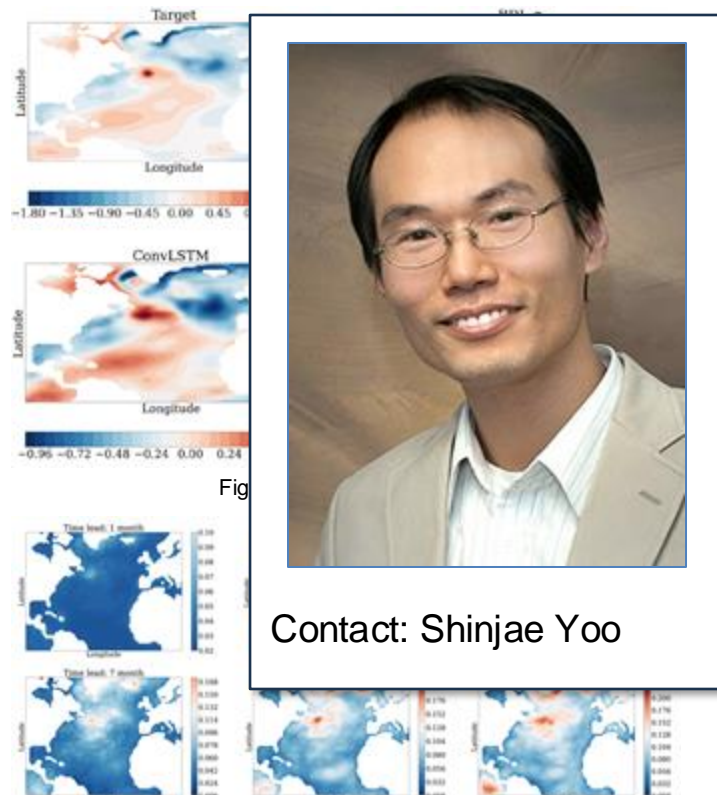


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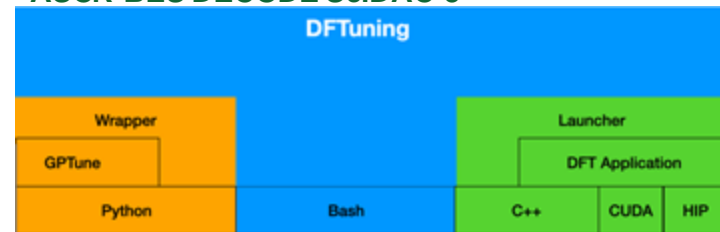
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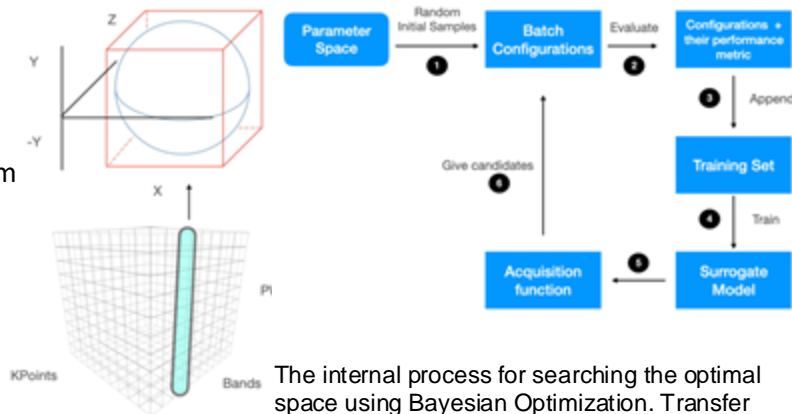
- Optimized search of the configuration space can leverage a wide set of techniques including Bayesian optimization and model-based estimation.
- Developed a framework to do transfer-learning, where the search on an HPC platform is used to reduce the number of search attempts on another platform.
- Focused on finding optimized configurations for the calculation involved in the conjugate gradient calculation part of rt-TDDFT.
- Improved the performance by up to 9x**, reducing the search attempts by up to 86%.

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## ASCR-BES DECODE SciDAC-5



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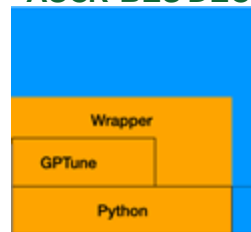
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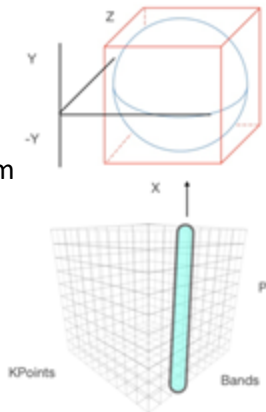
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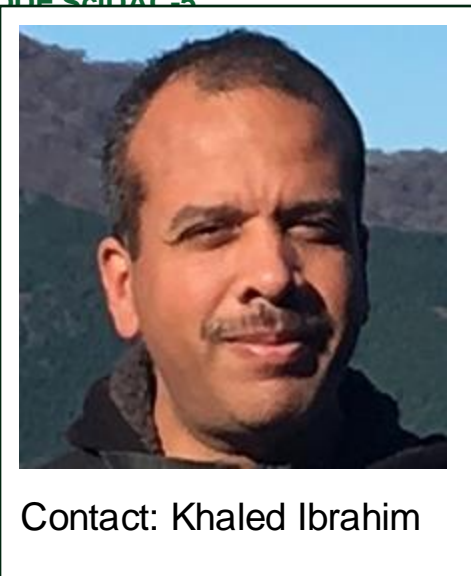
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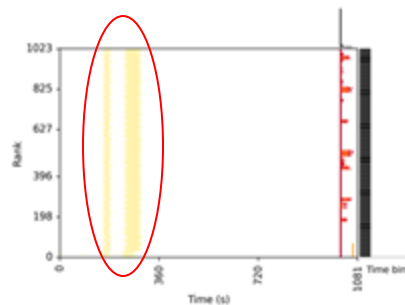
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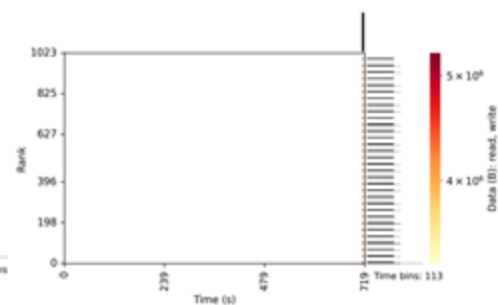
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After optimization I/O time reduced to barely measurable; overall runtime reduced by 34%

*I/O cost as the simulation scaled up alarmed scientists and prevented running higher resolution experiments. By enabling HDF5 collective data and metadata optimizations, and by making a minor adjustment to the arrangement of variables in the HDF5 file, the simulation could create HDF5 files significantly faster and simulate more events.*

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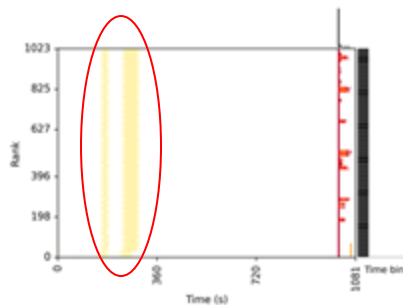
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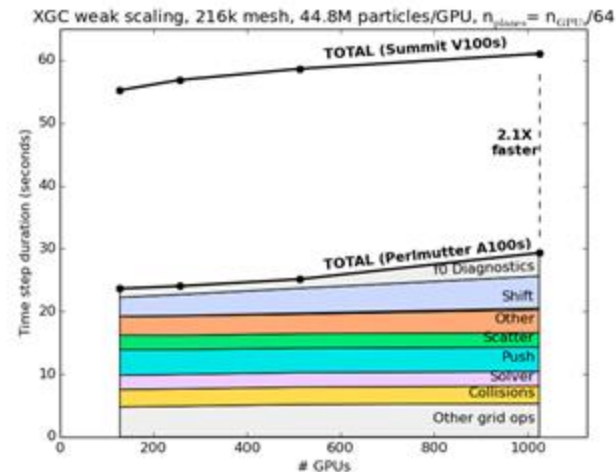


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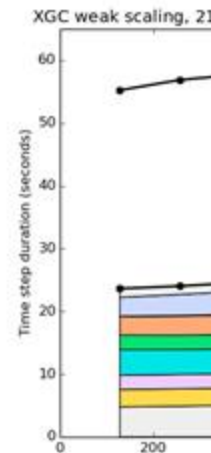


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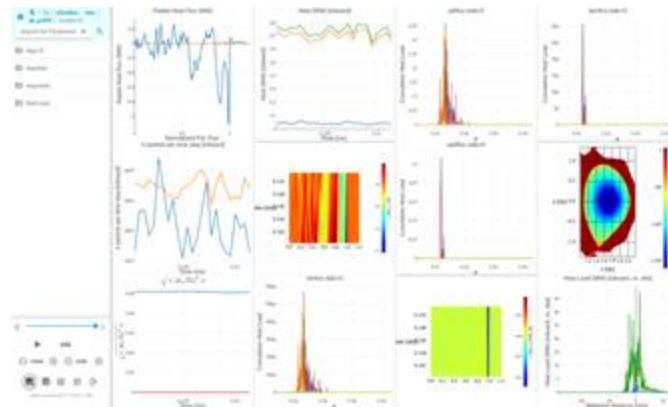
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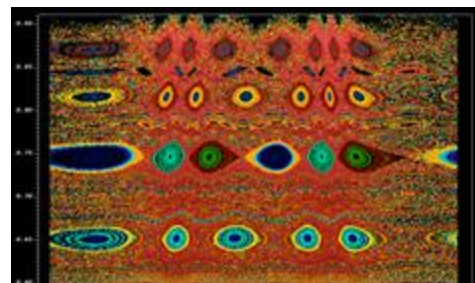
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The eSimmon dashboard showing data extracts generated by EFFIS during an XGC simulation.



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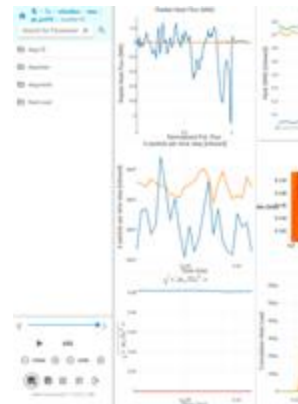
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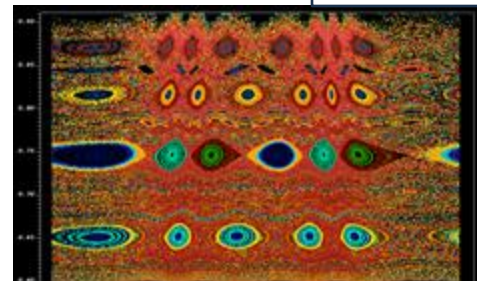
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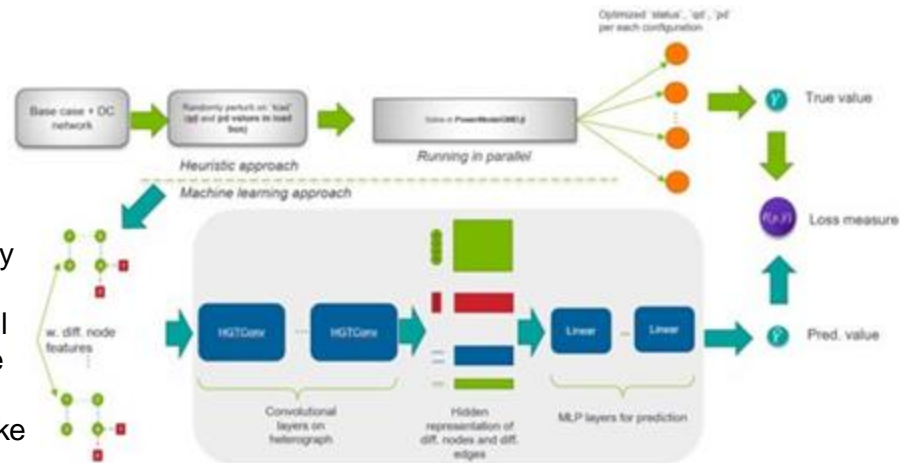
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- GNN predictive models for maximum loadability regression and for classification for GIC blocker placement
- Training for the loadability problem on 300 perturbed input graphs is faster than heuristic solver on a single graph
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*The heuristic approach involves generating random perturbations on a given power grid and feeding those perturbations into one of the optimizers in the PowerModelsGMD.jl package, which finds the optimal real ("pd") and reactive ("qd") power demands. The machine learning approach on the bottom involves feeding the same power grid data into the heterogeneous GNN, passing through several convolutional and Multi-Layer Perception (MLP) layers. The true values from the optimizer and the predicted values from the machine learning model will then be used to compute the loss to evaluate the model's performance.*



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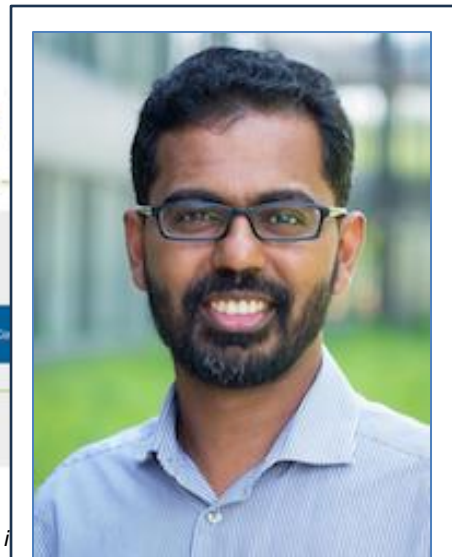
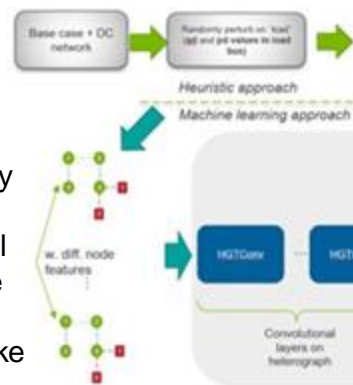
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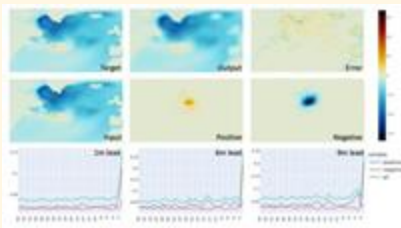


# Artificial Intelligence

## AI and ML for accelerated discovery for science applications

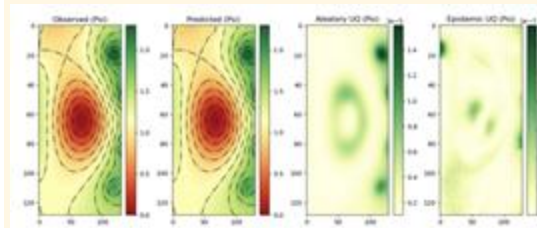
### Representation

- Bayesian Neural embedding for better uncertainty quantification and prior knowledge integration
- Physics constrained AE compressed large scale volumetric datasets by  $O(10^2)$  with negligible errors
- Explainable AI (xAI) models developed and applied to climate and material science.



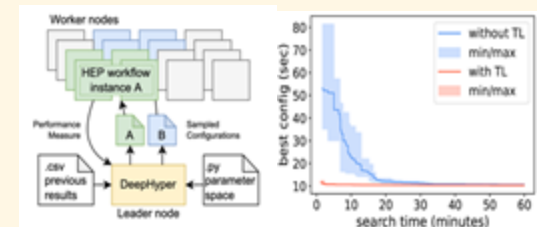
### Acceleration

- Developed (physics constrained) surrogate models for various SciML applications with orders of magnitude speed up
- Evaluated and developed scaling algorithms such as graph neural network, kernel approximation, etc.
- AI acceleration on edge device using FPGA or AI accelerators



### Automation

- Developed a novel AI/ML optimization method to tune storage service parameters for SciDAC HEP workflow resulting in (2x to 10x speedup)
- Developed an adaptive training algorithm that dynamically schedules the work among multiple GPUs to minimize imbalance



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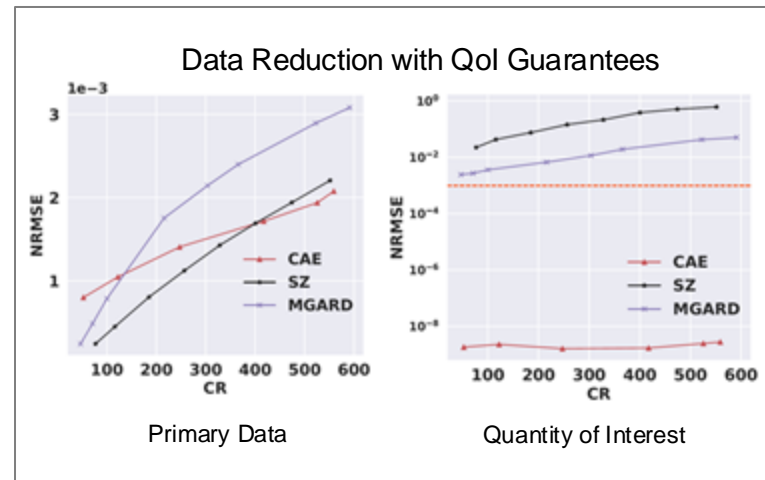
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Normalized Root Mean Squared Error of constrained auto encoder (CAE) and comparison with MGARD and SZ. The left figure is the error on the primary data and the right figure is the error on one of the Quantities of Interest

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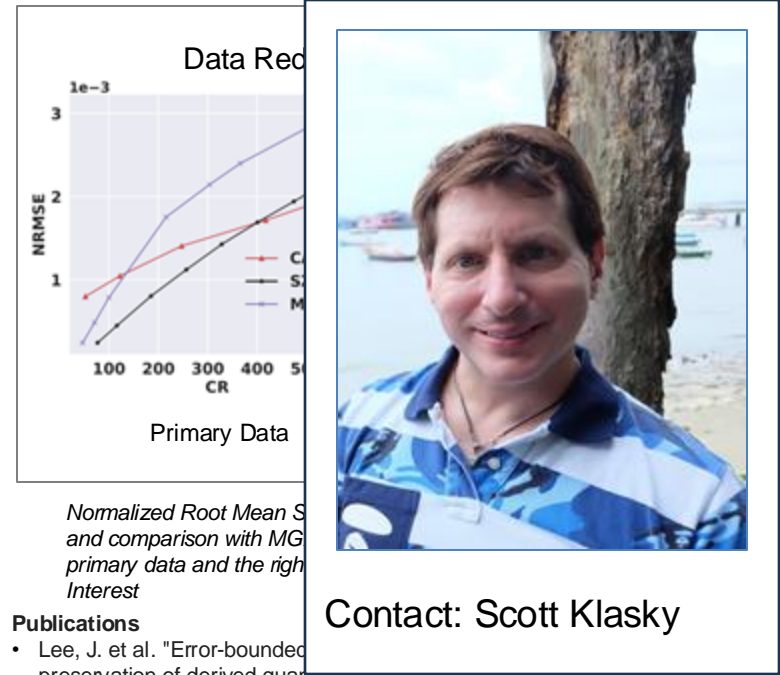
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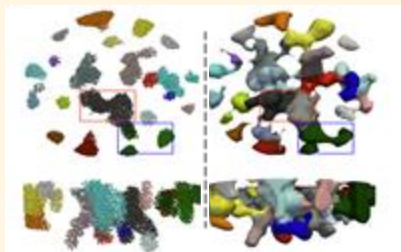
# Data Understanding



Facilitating the understanding of large and complex science data through robust and scalable analysis and visualization methods

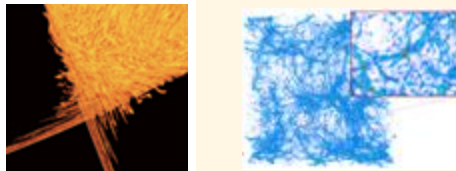
## Analysis

- Accelerated merge tree computation on GPUs by 10x
- Developed asynchronous, load-balanced union-find algorithm
- Developed new latent representation for particle features
- Developed a hierarchical super-resolution method for multiscale scientific data



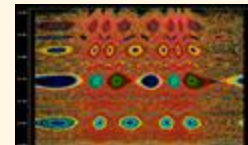
## Visualization

- Accelerated Poincare plot computation on GPUs by 50x
- Investigated effects of lossy data reduction on volume rendering
- Improved distributed rendering performance with image compression
- Produced a science video about sea-level change
- Developed a surrogate to visually explore simulation parameters

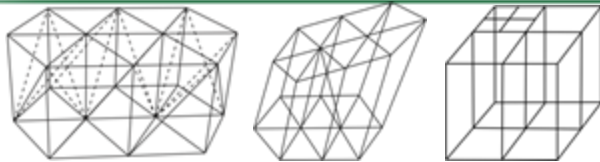


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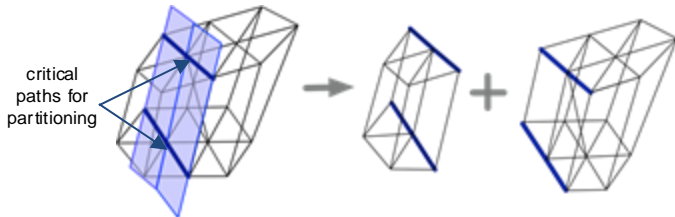
- Extended DIY with asynchronous communication + direct GPU messaging
- Automated optimization of generator tuning parameters
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- Demonstrated VTK-m performance portability on new architectures
- Developed a general purpose data model for visualization of streaming data



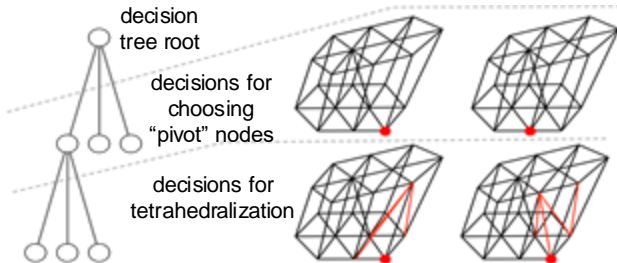
# FTK2: Meshing the Deforming Spacetime for Feature Tracking



Spacetime meshing for non-changing meshes (left), time-varying meshes (middle), and AMR (right)



Divide: divide the spacetime by faces generated by shortest paths on both “lower” and “upper” meshes



Conquer: search on decision tree to eliminate mesh nodes one by one by removing tetrahedra around them

## Scientific Achievement

A novel 4D meshing capability that fills the gap between spatial and temporal varying mesh discretization for advanced analysis and visualization

## Significance and Impact

Representing the deforming spacetime with simplicial complexes makes it possible to robustly track and visualize geometric and topological features such as critical points, vortex core lines, and levelsets in scientific data

## Technical Approach

- **Driver applications**
  - (1) magnetic confinement fusion where scientific variables interpolate over magnetic field lines in space and time
  - (2) rotational mechanics where space twists over rotating frame-of-reference
  - (3) adaptive mesh refinement (AMR) that changes discretization over time
- **Sewing the “lower” and “upper” meshes** by divide-and-conquer
  - (1) 4D domain decomposition based on spacetime face/edge connectivities
  - (2) Subdomain decomposition based on shortest-path search
  - (3) Decision-tree based search to find optimal triangulations of subdomains
- **Software integration** into FTK2, the next generation of FTK (the feature tracking kit): <https://github.com/hguo/ftk2>

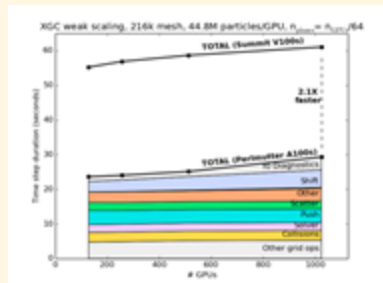
# Platform Readiness



## Preparing scientific codes for current and upcoming system through application of best-in-class expertise and tools

### Performance Modeling/Analysis

- Measured, analyzed and tuned XGC kernels for GPU using TAU and APEX
- Developed a data dependency aware performance model for sparse triangular solvers



### Portable Programming

- IRIS: portable runtime system exploiting multiple heterogeneous programming systems
- Explored use of OpenACC and OpenMP to portably accelerate the Fortran-based EFIT code (FES)
- Developed an algorithm-centric performance portability metric



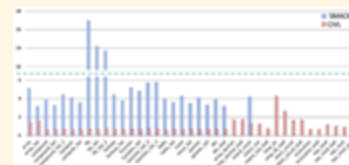
### Autotuning

- Flexible autotuning framework including Bayesian optimization and model-based estimation
- OpenMP language extensions for runtime adaptation
- Framework for transfer-learning in autotuning

```
1 void vecAdd(double *A, double *B, double *C, size_t N) {
2   #pragma omp begin adaptation \
3     model_name(by_len) features(X) \
4     variants(cpu, gpu)
5
6   #pragma omp madsdirective \
7     when(user==(adaptation(by_len==cpu)) : parallel for) \
8     when(user==(adaptation(by_len==gpu)) : \
9       target map(tc: A[0:X], B[0:X]) map(from:C[0:X]) \
10      teams distribute parallel for)
11   for(size_t i = 0; i < N; ++i)
12     C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
13
14   #pragma omp end adaptation model_name(by_len)
15 }
```

### Correctness

- Support for verification of Fortran in CIVL framework through correctness-preserving transformations to CIVL language
- New model checking technique that can be used to verify race-freedom for all sequentially-consistent executions





## Scientific Achievement

Parallel programs often contain subtle defects known as **data races**. A data race occurs when two concurrently executing threads access a variable without proper synchronization. These programs may crash or produce results that appear believable but are inaccurate. Programmers need better tools to detect races or verify that a program is race-free. We have developed a novel model checking approach, implemented in the CIVL model checker, that can verify absence of races or produce precise diagnostic information when a race exists, for a significant subset of OpenMP.

## Significance and Impact

The new tool has been applied to over one hundred benchmark C/OpenMP programs and is remarkably accurate. The programs include those from the DataRaceBench suite which fall into the supported language subset, as well as programs using “unstructured” parallelism. With further development, it will become an increasingly practical tool for developers.

## Technical Approach

- Model checking and symbolic execution are used to analyze the program within a “small scope”
- A novel partial order reduction dramatically reduces the number of interleavings which need to be explored, leading to greater scalability

```
int main() {  
    int i, len=100, a[100];  
    for (i=0; i<len; i++) a[i]=i;  
    #pragma omp parallel for  
    for (i=0; i<len-1; i++) a[i+1]=a[i]+1;  
    printf("a[50]=%d\n", a[50]);  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
> civl verify -input_omp_thread_max=10 \  
    DRB029-truedep1-orig-yes.c
```

```
a[50]=50  
Data-race detected:  
  {a[1], a[3], ..., a[97]}  
read by thread 1 intersects  
  {a[1], a[3], a[5], ..., a[99]}  
written by thread 0.
```

*Example: CIVL detects a data race in a DataRaceBench benchmark, reporting precise diagnostic information to user.*

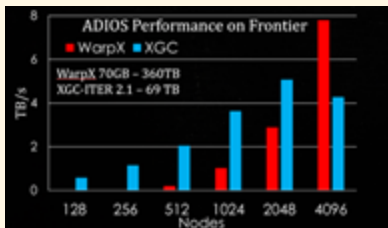
# Scientific Data Management



## Enabling efficient movement and management of data in a scientific campaign

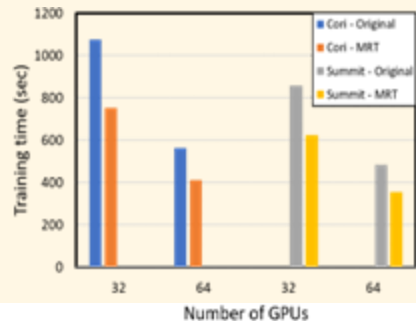
### Storage and I/O

- Understanding and optimizations for I/O and storage on DOE resources. E.g. Frontier and Perlmutter
- In situ data management for code coupling and connections to analysis and visualization
- Optimal and scalable I/O for streaming I/O from experiments to HPC facilities
- Integration and optimization of HPC I/O techniques into ML software



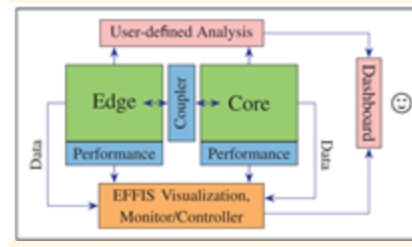
### Knowledge Management

- Partner with applications for efficient data access across the data lifecycle
- Enhance indexing and querying for data and metadata in scientific applications
- Schemas to integrate applications with visualization frameworks



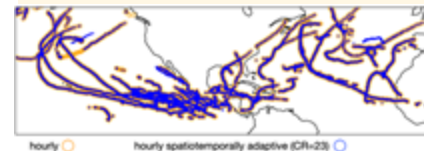
### Workflow Automation

- Optimize workflow infrastructure optimized for current and next-generation HPC systems
- Automatic parallelizing custom analysis functions for complex data
- Collaborative web-frameworks to monitor simulations
- Efficient command & control capabilities



### Data Reduction

- Integrate ML, constrained optimization and statistical similarity with lossy reduction
- Investigate the use of adaptive reduction techniques
- Incorporate reduction for storage and real-time workflows



## Scientific Achievement

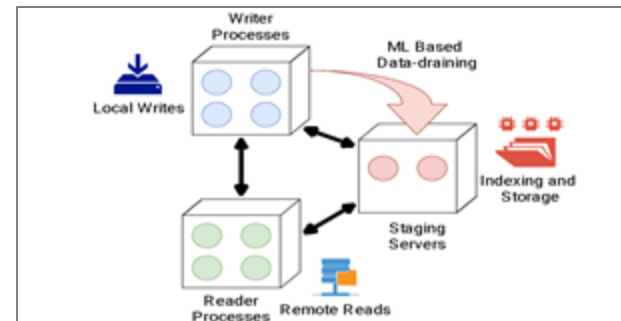
We created the RISE framework, an extension to existing data staging middleware that intelligently manages the transfer of staged data in order to avoid contention between data staging operation commonly in use in extreme-scale scientific workflows. RISE identifies applications' data access patterns and moves data towards data consumers only when the network is expected to be idle, reducing the impact of asynchronous background data movement upon critical data read/write requests.

## Significance and Impact

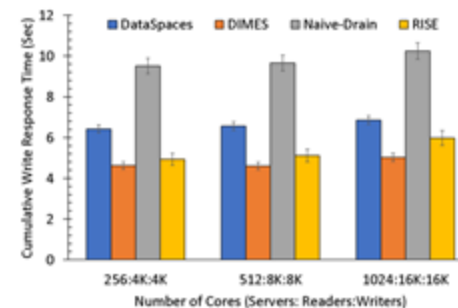
We demonstrated that intelligent draining and data placement reduced I/O contention using common coupled workflow data and execution patterns as well as evaluated performance on a coupled DNS-LES simulation using S3D. We observed an improvement in staging write-responsiveness of 22% vs typical out of process storage without any contention avoidance.

## Technical Approach

- Add writer-local staging area, with channels for dynamic relocation (draining) to staging server processes.
- Extend indexing to hybrid transfer: direct transfer of undrained objects from writers to readers and indirect transfer via a staging space.
- RISE uses a Markov model to predict periods of staging quiescence.
- When sufficient quiescent periods are anticipated, data objects are drained from writer-local staging.



*RISE (above) makes data immediately available to readers and also offloads the data in the background to the staging servers. This provides comparable write responsive performance comparable to writer-local storage without the long-term memory costs and without the network costs of Naive-drain (below).*



# Wrapping Up...



# Next Steps



- Help domain scientists **productively use exascale platforms** via code portability, improved standards, and better tools for understanding mixed CPU-GPU performance,
- **Develop and apply ML and AI methods** for science applications and in other areas such as compression, data understanding, and data movement, and
- Further **support complex workflows** through improved data movement, better dashboards, and a richer collection of in situ data analysis techniques.

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