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CSC Autumn School in	Computational Physics 2014
Monday December 8	Tuesday December 9

Unix for physicists

GPU (F. Robertsén)

Coffee break

(J. Åström)

Advanced unix for physicists

Massively parallel computations

+ supercomputers' guided tour on Tuesday at 12:40

Scientific visualization (J. Hokkanen)

Computational physics with Xeon Phi and

(J. Lento)

(J. Lento)

Lunch

Coffee break

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Intro, Physics@CSC

Parallel computations

Coffee break

(T. Malkiewicz)

(J. Enkovaara)

Coffee break

(T. Malkiewicz)

Coding (J. Åström)

Lunch

Round robin (T. Malkiewicz)

Applications for physicists

Debugging and code optimization

9.00-10.15

10.15-10.45

10.45-12.00

12.00-13.00

13.00-14.30

14.30-14.45

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15.45-16.30

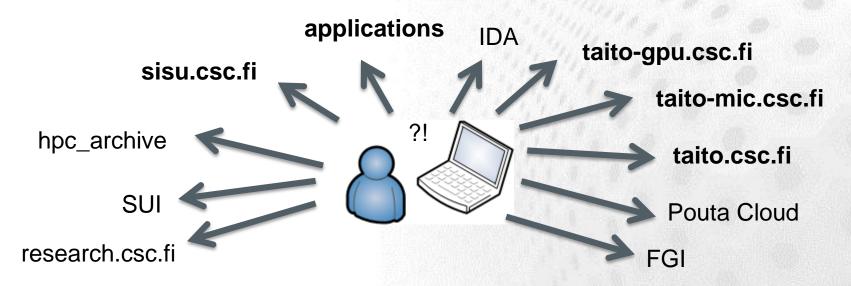
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Learning targets



- Know what CSC has to offer for physicists and which servers (resources) to use
 - Applications
 - Data processing and visualization
- Be able to use/run efficiently on Taito and Sisu
- Be able to use Bull (taito-gpu and taito-mic)



Practicalities

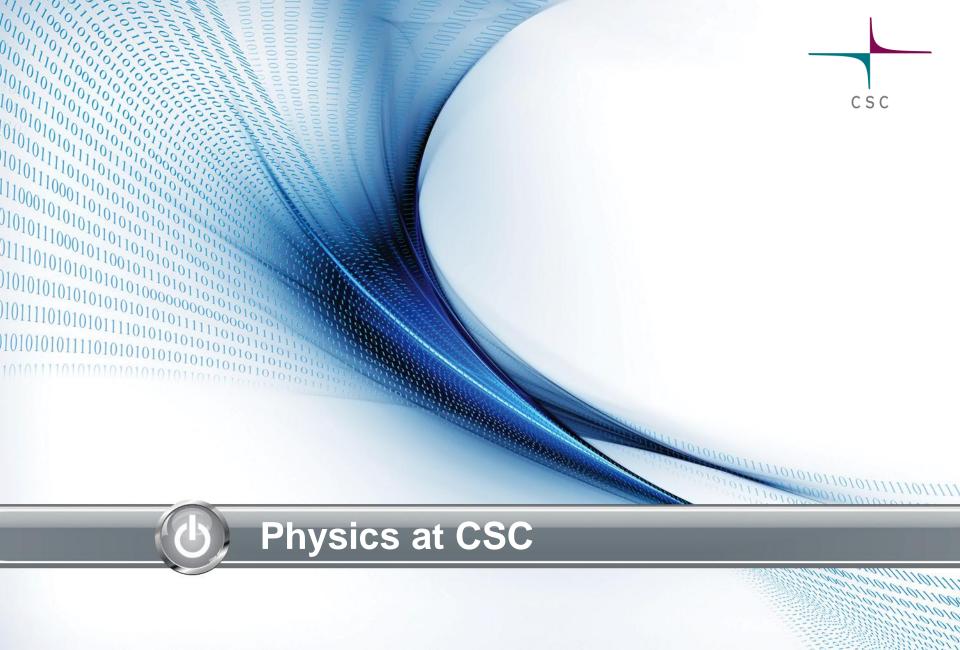


- Keep the name tag visible
- If you came by car: parking is being monitored ask for a temporary parking permit from the reception (tell which school you're participating)
- Lunch is served in the same building
- Toilets are in the lobby
- Visiting outside: doors by the reception desks are open
- Room locked during lunch
 - lobby open, use lockers
- Network:
 - WIFI: eduroam, HAKA authentication
 - Ethernet cables on the tables
 - CSC-Guest accounts upon request
- Username and password for workstations: given on-site

How we run this school



- Rather lecture than conference-oriented presentations
 - Try to make potentially difficult things look relatively easy to learn and understand
 - Skip items that have less significance in everyday work of physicists
- Demos
- A hands-on sessions included in most lecture session
 - practice the just learned subjects



CSC

Content

- Physics at CSC's supercomputers
- Resources available for physicists
 - What's new
 - Future
- Why and when to use supercomputers
- Courses of interest for physicists
- Physics' people at CSC

CSC at glance

CSC

- Founded in 1971
- Owned by Ministry of Education and Culture
- Operates on a non-profit principle
- Staff ~265 people
- Facilities in Espoo and Kajaani
- Free of charge services for higher education institutions in Finland



Physics at supercomputers



Physics is a branch of science concerned with the nature, structure and properties of matter, ranging from the smallest scale of atoms and sub-atomic particles, to the Universe as a whole.

Physics includes experiment and theory and involves both fundamental research driven by curiosity, as well as applied research linked to technology.

EPS report, 2013

Supercomputer is a computer at the frontline of contemporary processing capacity – particularly speed of calculation.

Fastest supercomputer: China Tianhe-2 with 33.86 petaFLOP/s (quadrillions of calculations per second) on the LINPACK benchmark

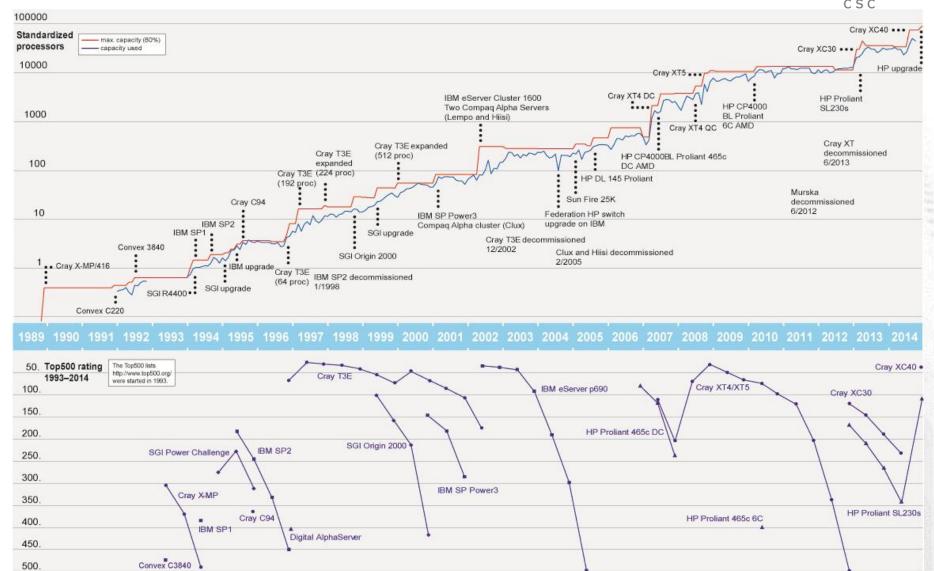
Currently available computing resources



- Sisu
 - 40 512 cores, 64 TB memory
- Taito
 - Small and medium-sized tasks
- Application server Hippu
 - Going to be decommissioned by the end of 2014
 - Replaced by Taito-shell
- FGI
- Cloud
- Bull system

CSC Computing Capacity 1989–2014



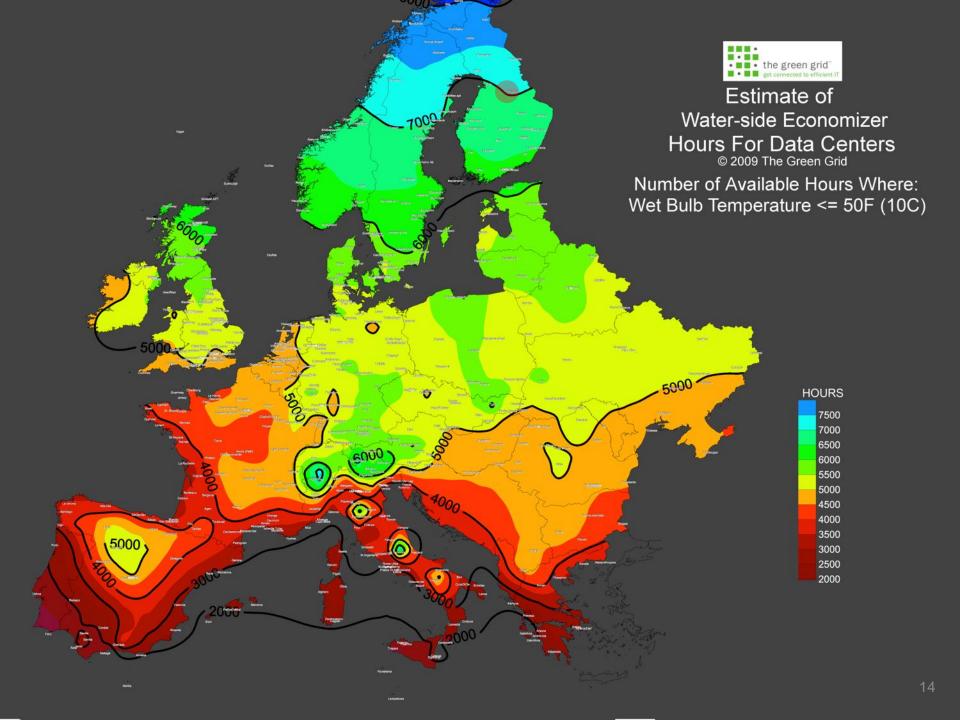


Datacenter CSC Kajaani

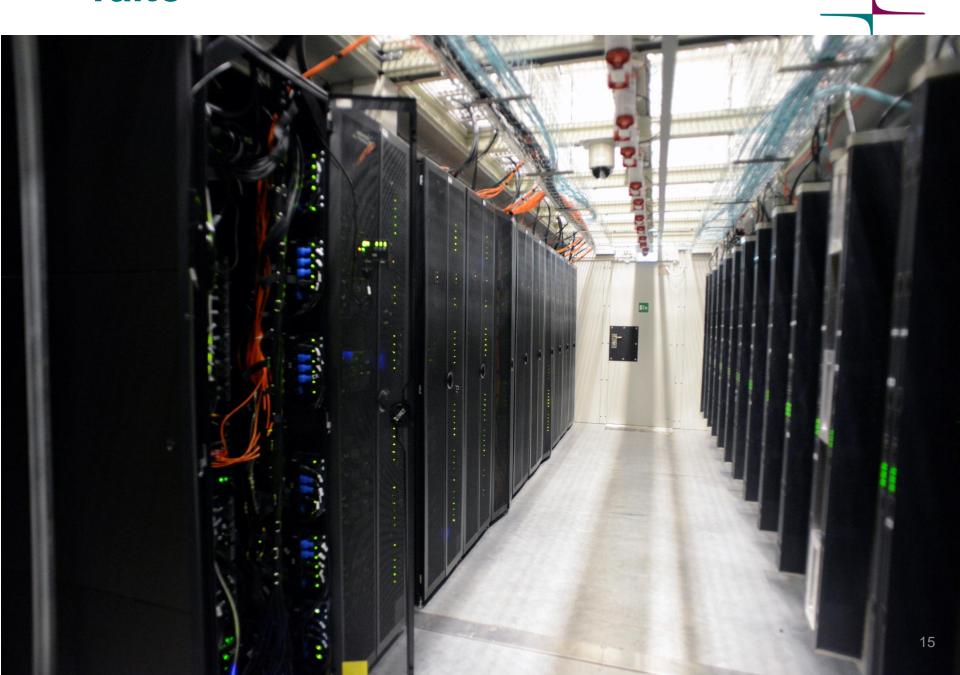








Taito



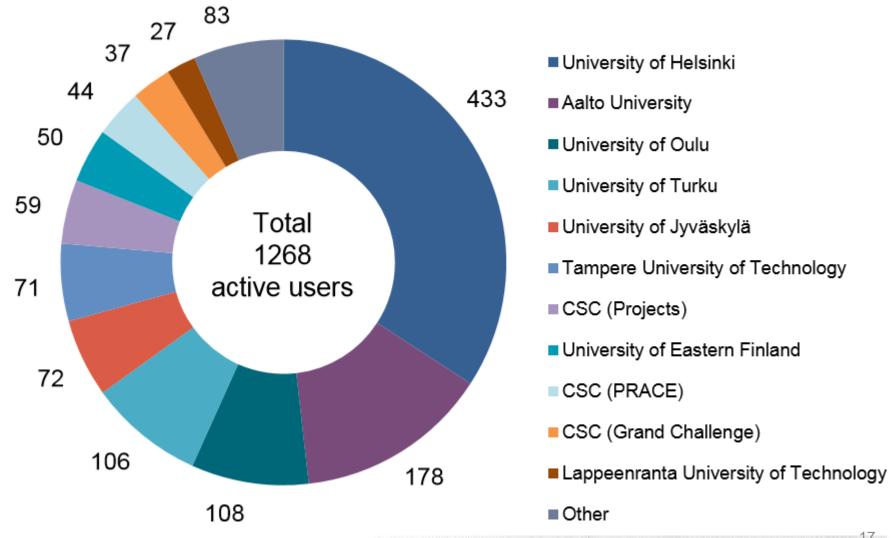
Users



- About 700 active computing projects
 - 3000 researchers use CSC's computing capacity
 - 4250 registered customers
- Haka-identity federation covers all universities and higher education institutes (287 000 users)
- Funet Finnish research and education network
 - Total of 370 000 end users

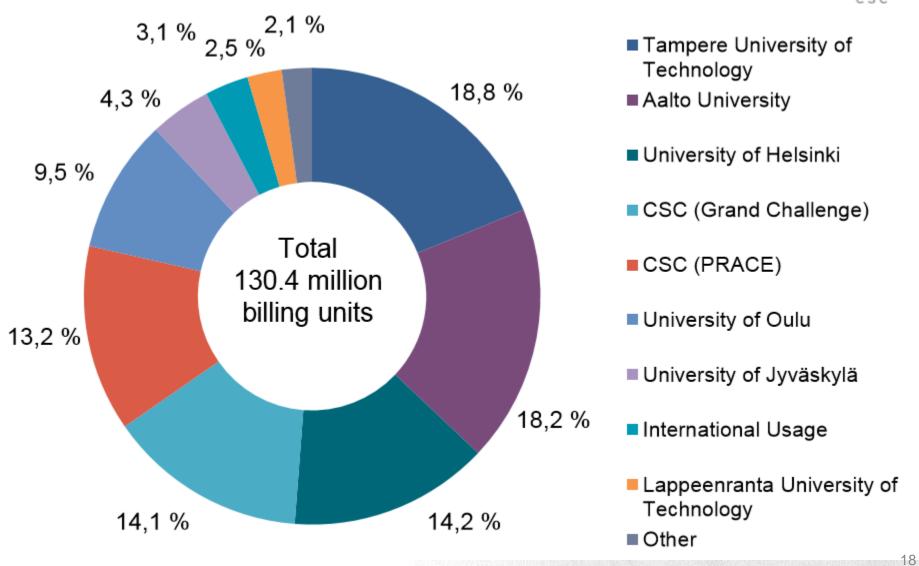


Users of computing resources by organization-1H2014



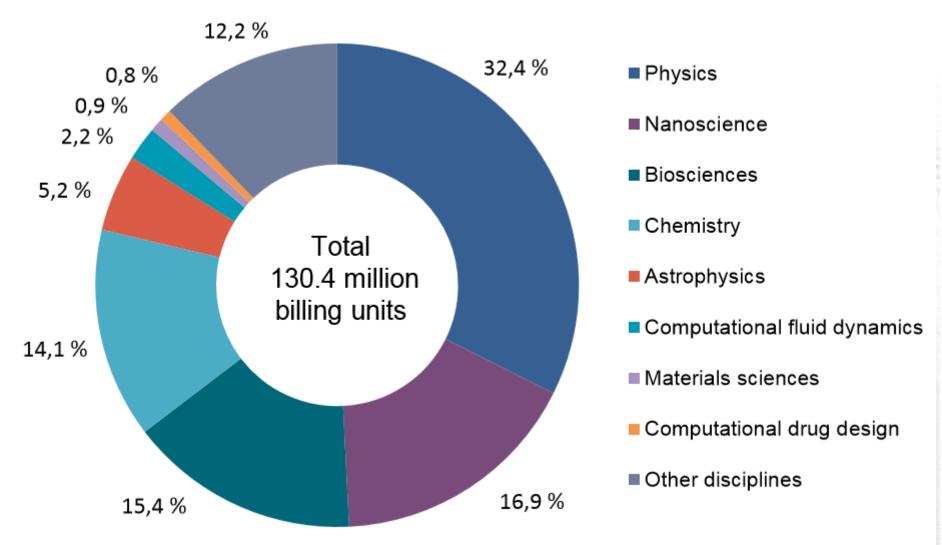
Computing usage by organization 1H2014





Computing usage by discipline 1H2014





Sisu: Cray XC40 Supercomputer scale Sisu: Cray XC40 Supercomputer

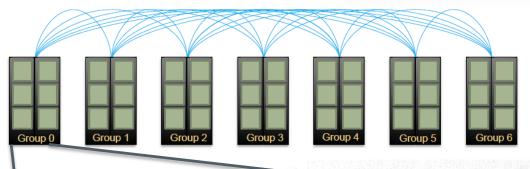
- For large parallel jobs
- Intel Haswell processor E5-2690 v3 product family; 2,6 GHz (phase 1 Sandy Bridges replaced)
- Cray Aries Interconnect
- 40 512 cores
- 24 cores per node
- 64 GB memory per node



Cray Dragonfly Topology

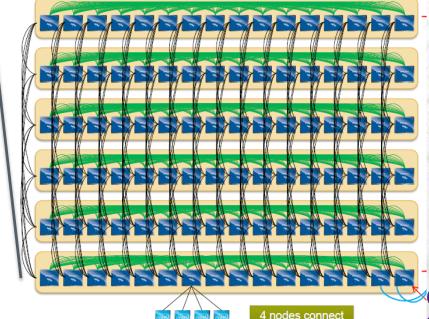






All-to-all network between groups





2 dimensional all-to-all network in a group

Source: Robert Alverson, Cray Hot Interconnects 2012 keynote

4 nodes connect to a single Aries

Optical uplinks to inter-group net

Running on Sisu Phase 2



- Sisu guide
 - https://research.csc.fi/sisu-user-guide
 - Phase 1 binaries (static) may or may not run,
 CSC strongly advises to recompile your
 code (and compare performance)
 - Login nodes are still based on Sandy Bridge (as they were in Phase 1)
 - Cross compiling is required
 - Haswell optimized code will not run in login nodes
- Scalability tests required for more than 1008 cores
 - https://research.csc.fi/sisu-scalability-tests
 - Large test queue available

Sisu Phase 2 features



- AVX-2
 - May need to optimize for wider vectors' size
 - Max 16 flop/cycle
- DDR4
 - Higher bandwidth, lower power consumption
- Max job size increased
 - -400 nodes = 9600 cores
- Native SLURM on the way
 - We might be moving to it at some point

Taito: HP Supercluster



- For serial and small parallel jobs
- Heterogeneous: Intel Sandy Bridge (phase 1) & Intel Haswell (phase 2, not yet installed) processors
- FDR InfiniBand interconnect
- ~18 000 cores
- Different memory configurations: 64, 128, 256 GB and 1.5 TB per node

Taito is a heterogeneous cluster



- Different jobs need different resources
 - Bulk Haswell compute nodes
 - Bulk Sandy Bridge compute nodes
 - Largemem Sandy Bridge compute nodes
 - Hugemem Sandy Bridge compute nodes
- Local /tmp disk 2 TB on each compute node
- → reserve only what you need

One SLURM to serve them all...



- Do old applications run on new CPUs?
 - May run, CSC recommends re-compiling
 - Build your software for both (old and new) architecture
 - Gain depends on architecture
- Batch job scripts need to be updated
 - Number of cores per node: Phase 1: 16, Phase 2: 24
 - Memory changes
 - Instructions will be available through user guides
 - Partition CPU architecture can be specified

SLURM configuration: Fair usage



- SLURM uses fair share: the highest priority jobs go into execution next
 - Priority is decreased by the total amount of resources used in last 2 weeks per user
 - Priority is increased by time spent queueing
 - Backfiller will try to put small jobs into gaps due to current available resources and highest priority job
 - Jobs labeled "Association limit" are not eligible to run (due to too many jobs in queue by the user)
- Due to abuse, a maximum limit of jobs in queue now enforced
- Chain jobs (--dependency –flag for SLURM) if you need long running time
- Don't overallocate memory (add this command to your batch script used_slurm_resources.bash will print requests vs. used at stdout)
 - If you request a full node (-N 1), use -mem=55000 instead of -mem-percore=something)
 - If you see abuse or think that the setup is unfair, contact helpdesk@csc.fi
- SUI has a monitoring tool for your jobs and used resources (Services -> eServices -> My Project)



How to prepare for Taito Phase 2?

Porting strategy

- Getting started document and a User Guide for Sisu prepared
- Compilers, libraries, flags, ...
- Preliminary performance data
- Add AVX-2 flag when compiling your code
- CSC ports and optimizes a number of applications for the new architectures
- Consider testing your code on Sisu, which has Haswell CPUs

Bull



- Official opening on 1.10.2014
- Direct liquid cooled, very energy-efficient
- Accelerators and co-processors
 - 38 NVIDIA K40 nodes = 76 GPUs
 - 12 GB memory per card
 - 45 Intel Xeon Phi (MIC) nodes = 90 Xeon Phis
 - 16 GB memory per card
 - Energy efficient (slow ...) CPU's



How to access Bull

- Logically part of Taito
- Accessing the resources
 - Intel Xeon Phi: ssh taito-mic (from taito.csc.fi)
 - Still in beta phase
 - NVIDIA K40: ssh taito-gpu.csc.fi
- See Taito user guide
 - taito-gpu
 - taito-mic



Fast and large storage: DDN Phase 3

- HPC storage used by Sisu and Taito
- Lustre parallel file system
- System size increased to ~4 PB
 - About 1.9 PB added to the current configuration in early October 2014
 - Aggregate bandwidth > 80 GB/s (previously ~48 GB/s)
- Available together with Phase2 supercomputers

Disks in total



- 4.0 PB on DDN
 - + SHOME directory (on Lustre)
 - \$WRKDIR (<u>not backed up</u>), soft quota 5 TB / user
 - Up to 100 TB / project
- HPC Archive
 - 2 TB / user, common between Sisu and Taito
 - Up to 100 TB / project
- 3 PB disk space through TTA/IDA
 - 1 PB for Universities
 - 1 PB for Finnish Academy (SA)
 - 1 PB to be shared between SA and ESFRI
 - more could be requested
- /tmp on Sisu and Taito (around 1.8 TB) to be used for compiling codes on login nodes

Software and database offered by CSC



Software Package All software packages in alphabet

Acquis Communautaire Multiline

Abagus

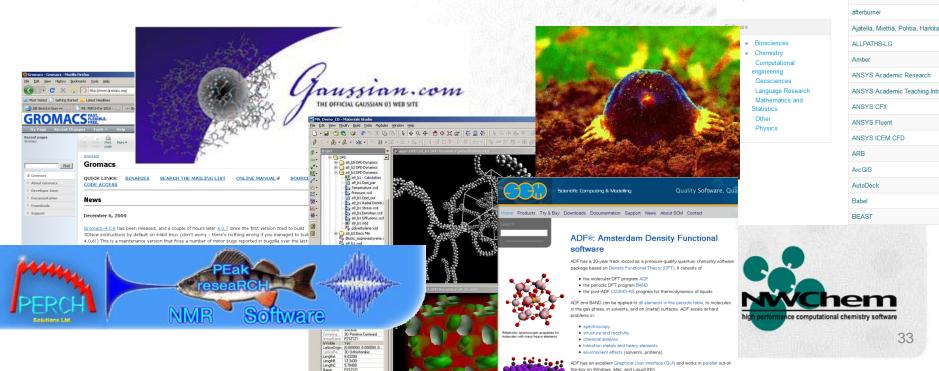
Services for Research

Parallel Computing

Code Optimization

Services for Research → Software → Software Package

- Large selection (over 200) of software and database packages for research https://research.csc.fi/software
- Mainly for academic research in Finland
- Centralized national offering: software consortia, better licence prices, continuity, maintenance, training and support resources

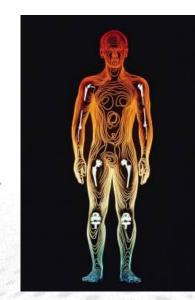


Applying for account/resources

Apply for CSC account:

https://research.csc.fi/accounts-and-projects

- Most of CSC services are free for academic researchers, but usually a CSC user account is required.
 - Basic usage: register as CSC customer via SUI
 - Larger computing resources via an application form
- Benefits
 - ➤ A wide selection of scientific programs and databases available at CSC servers.
 - ➤ ICT resources and science-aware support (helpdesk@csc.fi)
 - Courses and events covering many areas are organized regularly.
 - Guide books and magazines in PDF.
 - CSC's research and development to improve services.
 - Networks bring together people with similar interests in science and technology.





Taito-shell replaces Hippu

- Interactive session on a Taito compute node
 - E.g. run a GUI, run long non-intensive jobs, etc.
- Two 256GB nodes allocated, easy to expand
 - Maximum of 4 cores/128GB per user, no time limit
- Access: ssh –X taito-shell.csc.fi
 - Also via drop down menu in nxkajaani
 - Technically a slurm job without dedicated resources
 - Processes killed when logged out
 - Can be left running via screen (on Taito) or via nxkajaani (exit with suspend)
- Feedback welcome!
- https://research.csc.fi/taito-shell-user-guide

How to get access to CSC supercomputers?

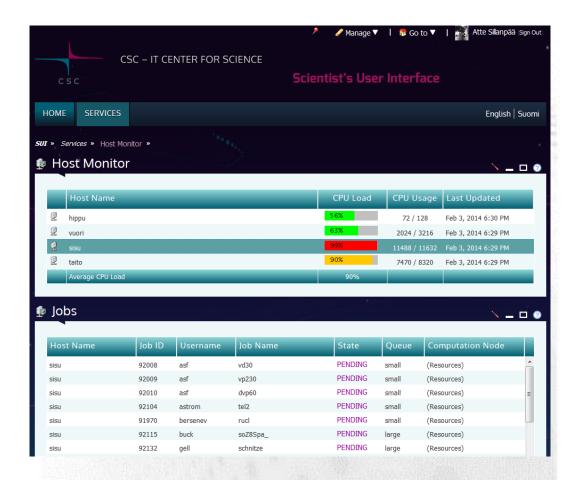


- Sui.CSC.fi (HAKA authentication)
 - -Sing up



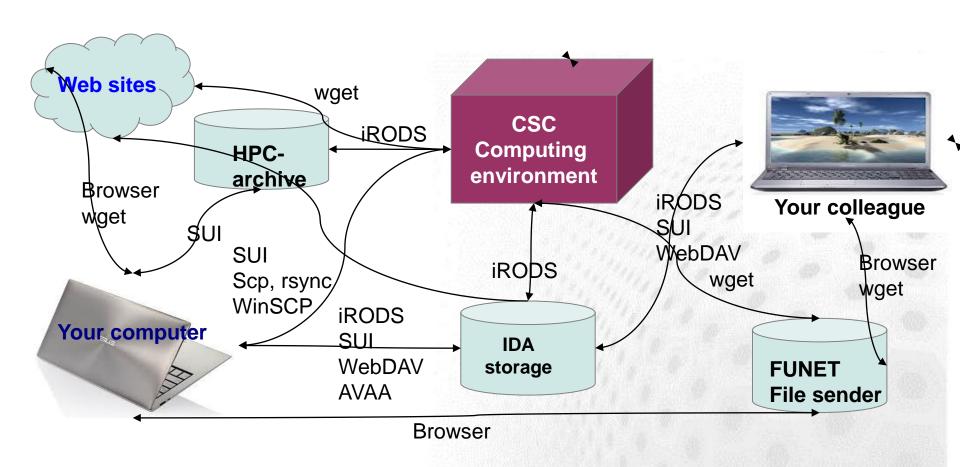
Host Monitor in SUI

- Load on servers
- Running jobs (squeue)
- sui.csc.fi

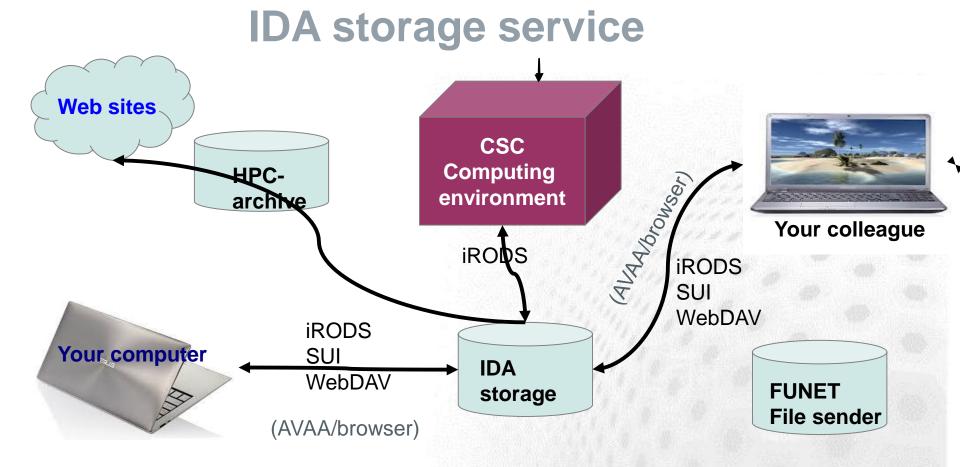




Moving data to and from CSC







IDA

- Part of ATT
- Quotas granted by universities and Academy of Finland
- Several interfaces (WWW/SUI, network disk, i-commands)
- Internet accessible
- Project based structure
- Flexible sharing
- Data can be made public through AVAA

HPC-archive



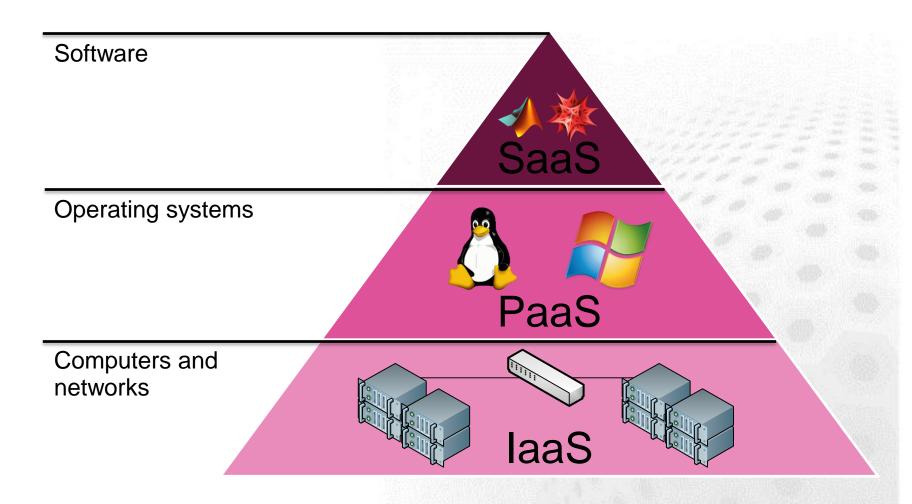
- Part of CSC computing environment
- 2 TB default quotas for CSC users
- Usage with i-commands
- Visible only to CSC environment
- Personal storage area
- Replaced the old \$ARCHIVE service

iCommands

- IDA in Scientist's User Interface
- CSC IT Center for Science Scientist's User Interface ida:csc/internal/ce/kkmattil/pairsdb 2011 nrdb90.fast 1.23 GB kkmatt nrdb90 ne 1.23 GB ▶ 👰 vuori nrdb90_ne 831.59 MB kkmatt ▼ 🛅 csc nrdb90_old 1.73 GB ▼ 🛅 internal pairsdb_9 6.92 MB kkmatt pairsdb_9 9.02 GB kkmatt 9.13 MB airsdb_9 Select All kkmatt pairsdb ! Clear Selection 5 55 GB kkmatt pairsdb 90 8.62 MB Rename R Properties
- iput file move file to IDA
 iget file retrieve file from IDA
- ils
 list the current IDA directory
- icd dir change the IDA directory
- irm file remove file from IDA
- imv file file move file inside IDA
- imeta command view and edit metadata
- irsync synchronize the local copy with the copy in IDA
- imkdir create a directory to IDA
- iinit
 Initialize your IDA account

Cloud computing: three service models





cPouta on Taito



Taito cluster:

two types of nodes, HPC and cloud

HPC node

HPC node

Cloud

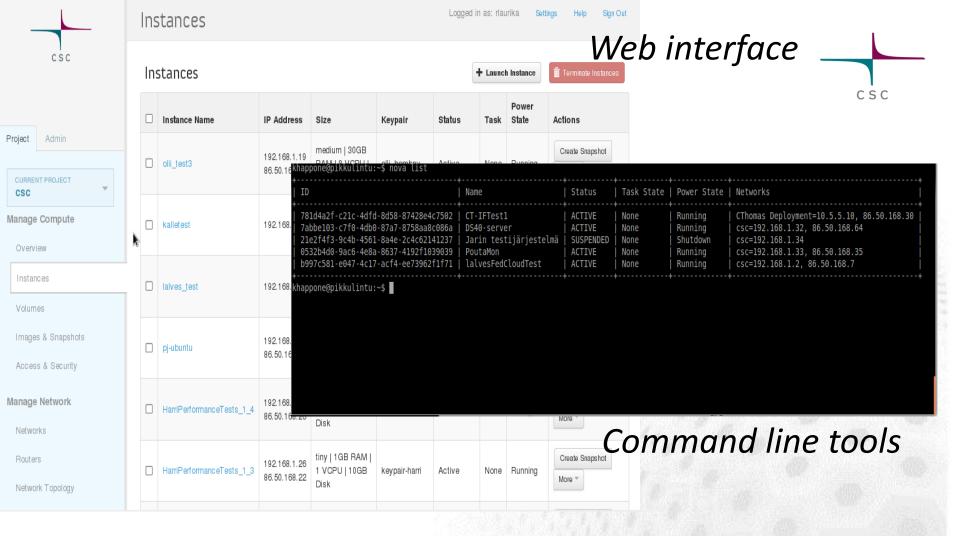
Cloud node

Host OS: RHEL

Virtual machine

 Guest OS: Ubuntu Virtual machine

Guest OS: Windows



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https://pouta.csc.fi:8777/v2/csc/images/

cPouta's use cases



- Enhanced security isolated virtual machines
- Advanced users able to manage servers
- Difficult workflows can't run on Taito
- Complex software stacks
- Ready made virtual machine images
- Deploying tools with web interfaces
- "We need root access"

If you can run on Taito – run on Taito If not – Pouta might be for you

Pouta user guide: https://research.csc.fi/pouta-user-guide

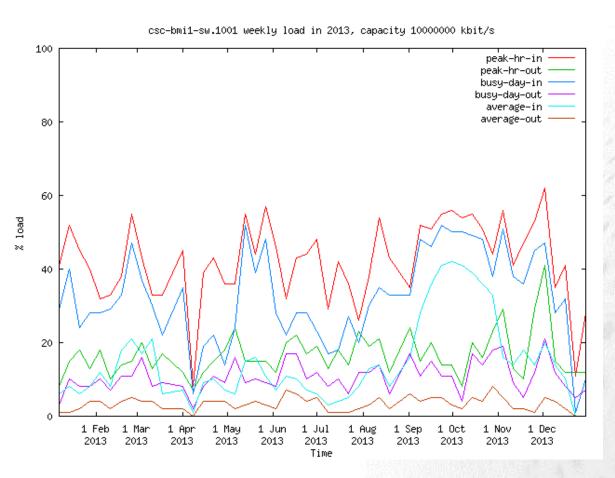
ePouta

- Renewing the cloud cluster equipment in Espoo in 2015
 - Changes to OpenStack cloud middleware (autumn 2014)
 - Focus on secure computing and service for organisations
 - Idea: seamless scaling of local resources using a trusted compute center (in Finland)
 - Requires local IT admin contact
 - Funding model and resource allocation policy is still under debate, supported by ELIXIR Finland





CSC – Meilahti genomics laaS data traffic 2013



5.8 PB in1.4 PB out

Avg. 221 MB/s 24 hours a day all year round

Grid computing with Finnish Grid Infrastructure (FGI)

ARC Grid Monitor

2014-05-27 CEST 12:45:37

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Processes: Grid Local



Country	Site	CPUs	Load (processes: Grid+local)	Queueing
+ Finland	Aesyle (FGI)	72	0+35	0 +0
	Alcyone (CMS)	892	156+312	1040 +0
	Alcyone (FGI)	892	6+461	19 +0
	Asterope (FGI)	192	84+8	10 +1
	Celaeno (FGI)	448	172+0	9+0
	Electra (FGI)	672	9+478	0 +0
	Jade (HIP)	768	227+541	25 +49
	Maia (FGI)	768	360+408	14+0
	Merope (FGI)	1612	0+1319	14 +0
	Pleione (FGI)	288	144+0	13 +0
	Taygeta (FGI)	360	42+174	15 +0
	Triton (FGI)	6972	182+9	2+0
	Usva (CSC/FGI/test)	144	12+0	0 +0
TOTAL	13 sites	14080	1385 + 3728	1161 + 50

FGI



- In grid computing you can use several computing clusters to run your jobs
- Grids suits well for array job like tasks where you need to run a large amount of independent sub-jobs
- You can also use FGI to bring cluster computing to your local desktop

- FGI: 12 computing clusters, about 10 000 computing cores
- Software: Run Time Environment include applications from all fields, e.g., bioinformatics, chemistry, physics:
 - https://confluence.csc.fi/display/fgi/Runtime+Environments

Using grid



- The jobs are submitted using the ARC middleware (http://www.nordugrid.org/arc/)
 - Using ARC resembles submitting batch jobs in Taito or Sisu
- ARC is installed in Hippu and Taito, but you can install it to your local machine too.
 - Setup command in Hippu:
 - module load nordugrid-arc
 - Basic ARC commands:

(Set up grid proxy certificate for 12 h) arcproxy arcsub job.xrsl (Submit job described in file job.xrsl)

(Show the status of all grid jobs) arcstat -a

arcget job_id (Retrieve the results of a finished grid job)

arckill job_id (kill the given grid job)

(remove job related data from the grid) arcclean -a

Sample ARC job description file



```
&
(executable=runbwa.sh)
(jobname=bwa_1)
(stdout=std.out)
(stderr=std.err)
(gmlog=gridlog_1)
(walltime=24h)
(memory=8000)
(disk=4000)
(runtimeenvironment>="APPS/BIO/BWA_0.6.1")
(inputfiles=
( "query.fastq" "query.fastq" )
( "genome.fa" "genome.fa" )
(outputfiles=
 ("output.sam" "output.sam")
```

Getting started with FGI-Grid



- Apply for a grid certificate from TERENA (a kind of grid passport)
- 2. Join the FGI VO (Access to the resources)
- Install the certificate to Scientists' User Interface and Hippu.
- 4. Install ARC client to your local Mac or Linux machine for local use)
- 5. Instructions: http://research.csc.fi/fgi-preparatory-steps

Please ask help to get started: helpdesk@csc.fi

FGI user guide: http://research.csc.fi/fgi-user-guide

Courses



- CSC courses: http://www.csc.fi/courses
 - Introduction to Linux and Using CSC Environment Efficiently 10.-11.2.2015
 - Pouta training 23.3.2015
 - CSC HPC Summer School
 - Spring, Autumn, Winter Schools
 - Parallel Programming
 - Some courses have possibility for remote participation
 - Course materials often available from event website for self study
- Taito Phase 2 workshop
 - Spring 2015

Grand Challenges



- Normal GC (call in half a year / year intervals)
 - New CSC resources available for a year
 - No limit for number of cores
 - Next call beginning of 2015
- Remember also PRACE/DECI calls
 - CSC supports the technical aspects of the applications



CSC Phase2 resources' summary

- Sisu supercomputer
 - General availability since 9.9.2014
- Taito supercluster
 - Installation ongoing
 - Part of Taito used for Pouta Cloud
 - taito-shell replacing Hippu service
- Bull system
 - General availability since 1.10.2014
 - 45 nodes with 2 Intel Xeon Phi coprocessors each
 - 38 nodes with 2 NVIDIA Tesla K40 accelerators each
- DDN HPC storage system
 - Totaling 4 PB of fast parallel storage



Physics people at CSC



- Particle based methods: Jan Åström
- Materials physics: Jussi Enkovaara
- Geophysics/glaciology: Thomas Zwinger
- Nanoscience/semiconductors: Jura Tarus
- Nuclear/particle physics: Tomasz Malkiewicz
- Partial differential equations/ELMER: Peter Råback
- A few with background in DFT e.g. Juha Lento
- Quantum chemistry: Nino Runeberg
- A few with numerical mathematics background
- Several with advanced code optimisation skills
- Everything related to HPC in general

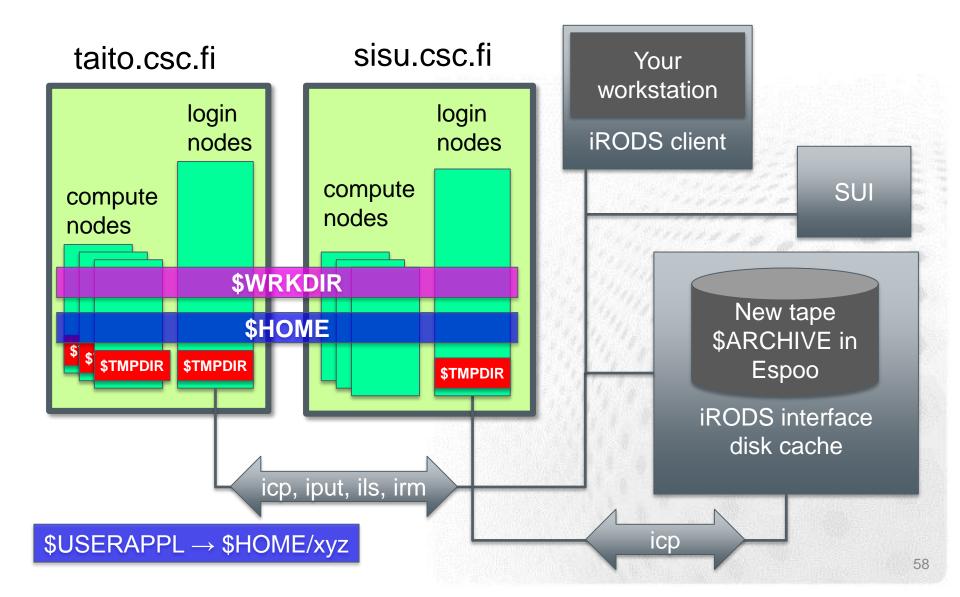
Q/A: Need disk space



- 4 PB on DDN
 - \$HOME, \$USERAPPL: 50 GB
 - \$WRKDIR (not backed up), soft quota: 5 TB
- HPC ARCHIVE: 2 TB / user, common between Cray and HP, up to 100 TB upon request
- /tmp (around 1.8 TB) to be used for compiling codes
- Disk space through IDA

Disks at Kajaani





Q/A: Need large capacity

-> Grand Challenges



- Normal GC (in half a year / year)
 - new CSC resources available for a year
 - no bottom limit for number of cores, up to 50%
- Special GC call (mainly for Cray) (when needed)
 - possibility for short (day or less) runs with the whole Cray
- Remember also PRACE/DECI
 - http://www.csc.fi/english/csc/news/news/pracecalls

Q/A: Is Cloud something for me?



->example: Taito

Taito cluster:

two types of nodes, HPC and cloud

HPC node

HPC node

Cloud

Cloud node

Host OS: RHEL

Virtual machine

 Guest OS: Ubuntu Virtual machine

Guest OS: Windows

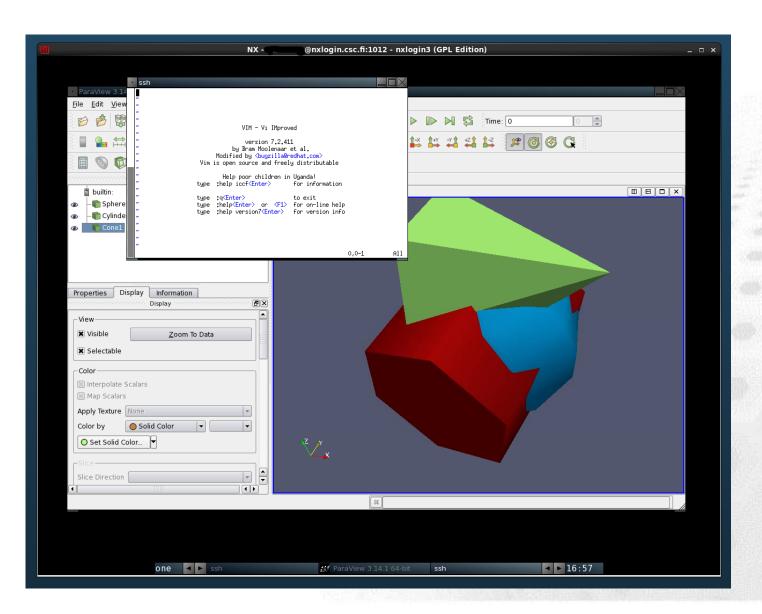
Q/A: How fast is the I/O?



I/O speed

- Infiniband interconnect 56 Gbit/s, tested to give 20 GB/s (peak, on DDN)
- i-commands 100 MB/s = 1 Gbit/s (10-16 thread, if > 32 MB then spreads, Kernel schedules)
- SUI: 11 MB/s, 1 GB = 1 min
- Fastest laptop:120 MB/s, disc speed 40 MB/s write
- •10 Gbit/s ethernet = 1.2 GB/s
- Metadata operations for Lustre take long, therefore not good to have many small files

Q/A: Fastest way to connect? NoMachine NX server for remote access so





Q/A: Is there a single place to look for info regarding supercomputers?

- User manuals
 - http://research.csc.fi/guides

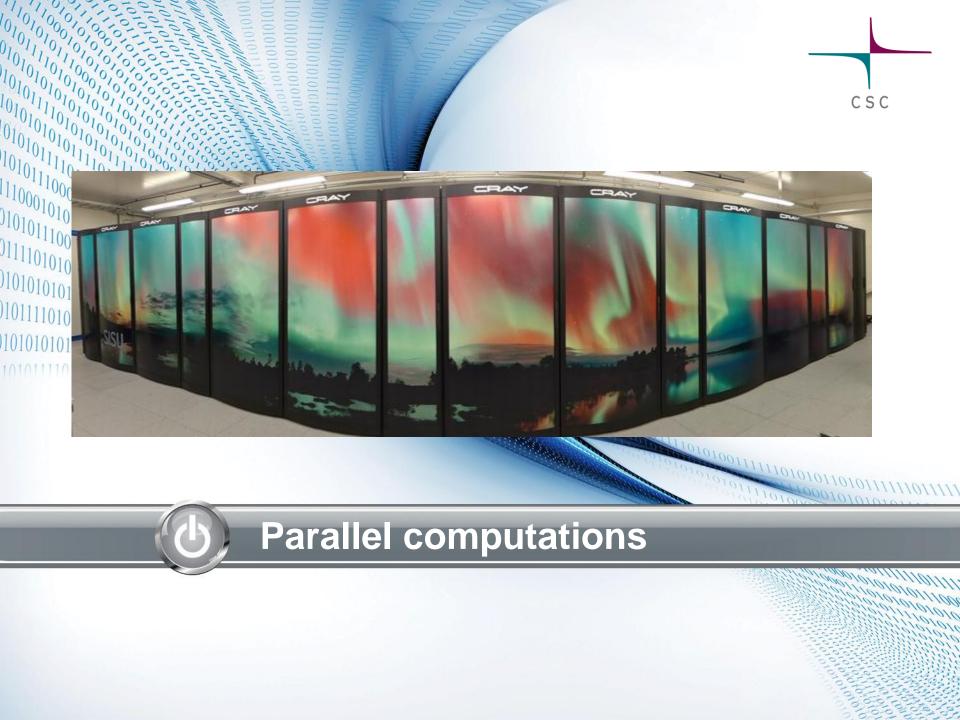
- Support
 - helpdesk@csc.fi



Round robin



- What are your research interest?
- What are your needs in terms of computing?
- Which applications/codes are you using?
- How CSC can help?





Computing in parallel

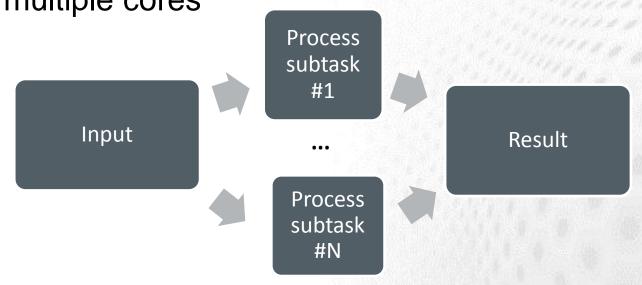
- Serial computing
 - single processing unit ("core") is used for solving a problem





Computing in parallel

- Parallel computing
 - A problem is split into smaller subtasks
 - multiple subtasks are processed simultaneously using multiple cores





task 1

task 2

task 3

task 4

Exposing parallelism

Data parallelism

Data is distributed to proces cores

Each core performs
 simultaneouosly (nearly)
 identical operations with different data

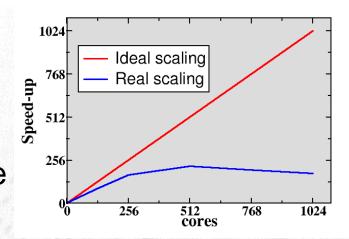
Task parallelism

- Different cores perform different operations with (the same or) different data
- These can be combined



Parallel scaling

- Strong parallel scaling
 - constant problem size
 - execution time decreases in proportion to the increase in the number of cores



- Weak parallel scaling
 - increasing problem size
 - execution time remains constant when number of cores increases in proportion to the problem size



Amdahl's law

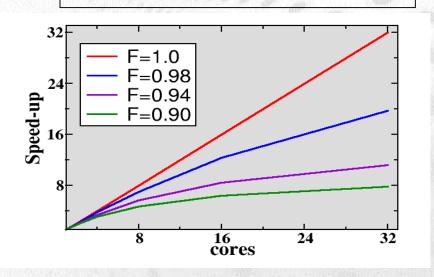
- Parallel programs contain often sequential parts
- Amdahl's law gives the maximum speedup in the presence of non-parallelizable parts

Maximum speed-up:

$$\frac{1}{(1-F)+F/N}$$

F: parallel fraction

N: number of cores

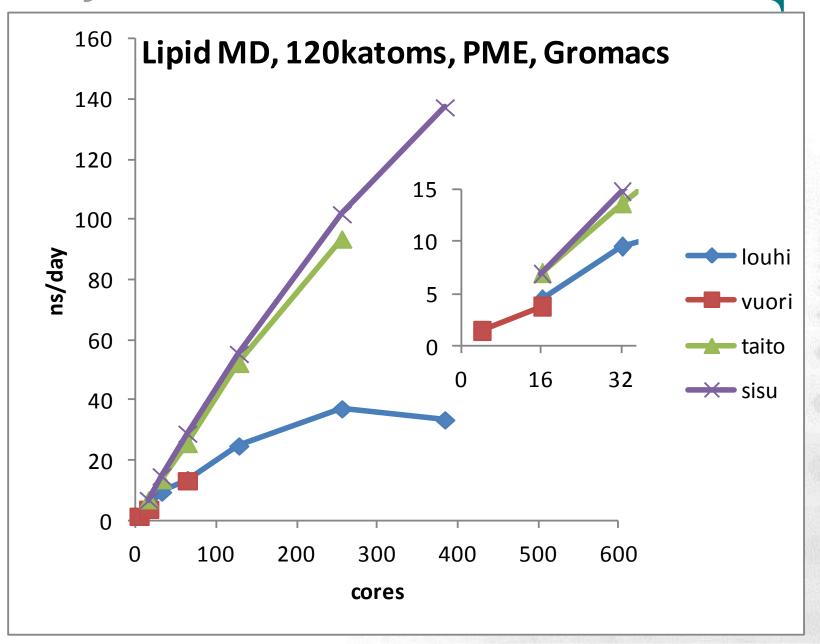




Parallel computing concepts

- Load balance
 - distribution of workload to different cores
- Parallel overhead
 - additional operations which are not present in serial calculation
 - synchronization, redundant computations, communications

Why and when to use HPC?





Warm-up: quick hands-on on Taito



Live demo/hands-on (Taito)

ssh trng01 - trng20 @taito.csc.fi

module avail

Live demo/hands-on cont.



nano test hostname.sh | CTRL+O; CTRL+X to exit

```
#!/bin/bash -I
#SBATCH -J print_hostname
#SBATCH -o output.txt
#SBATCH -e errors.t
#SBATCH -t 00:01:00
#SBATCH -p test
#
echo "This job runs on the host:"; hostname
```

sbatch test hostname.sh



Live demo/hands-on cont.

- Check out the output:
 - -less output.txt (type q to quit)
 - -less errors.t (type q to quit)

Modules



- Some software installations are conflicting with each other
 - For example different versions of programs and libraries
- Modules facilitate the installation of conflicting packages to a single system
 - User can select the desired environment and tools using module commands
 - Can also be done "on-the-fly"



Taito module system

- module avail shows only those modules that can be loaded to current setup (no conflicts or extra dependencies)
 - Use module spider to list all installed modules and solve the conflicts/dependencies

- No PrgEnv- modules (on Taito)
 - Changing the compiler module switches also
 MPI and other compiler specific modules



Typical module commands

module avail shows available modules (compatible

modules in taito)

module spider shows all available modules in taito

module list shows currently loaded modules

module load <name> loads module <name> (default version)

module load <name/version>

loads module <name/version>

module switch <name1> <name2>

unloads module name1 and loads module name2

module purge unloads all loaded modules

Taito has "meta-modules" named e.g. gromacs-env, which will load all necessary modules needed to run gromacs.



Example serial batch job script on Taito

```
#!/bin/bash -1
#SBATCH -J myjob
#SBATCH -e myjob err %j
#SBATCH -o myjob output %j
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000
#SBATCH -t 02:00:00
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -p serial
module load myprog
srun myprog -option1 -option2
```



#!/bin/bash -1

- ➤ Tells the computer this is a script that should be run using bash shell
- Everything starting with "#SBATCH" is passed on to the batch job system (Slurm)
- Everything (else) starting with "# " is considered a comment
- Everything else is executed as a command

```
#SBATCH -J myjob
#SBATCH -e myjob_err_%j
#SBATCH -o myjob_output_%j
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000
#SBATCH -t 02:00:00
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -p serial

module load myprog
srun myprog -option1 -option2 82
```

#!/bin/bash -1



#SBATCH -J myjob

- Sets the name of the job
- When listing jobs e.g. with squeue, only 8 first characters of job name are displayed.

```
#!/bin/bash -1
#SBATCH -J myjob
#SBATCH -e myjob_err_%j
#SBATCH -o myjob_output_%j
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000
#SBATCH -t 02:00:00
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -p serial

module load myprog
srun myprog -option1 -option2 83
```



```
#SBATCH -e myjob_err_%j
#SBATCH -o myjob output %j
```

- Option -e sets the name of the file where possible error messages (stderr) are written
- Option -o sets the name of the file where the standard output (stdout) is written
- When running the program interactively these would be written to the command promt
- What gets written to stderr and stderr depends on the program. If you are unfamiliar with the program, it's always safest to capture both
- > %j is replaced with the job id number in the actual file name

```
#!/bin/bash -1
#SBATCH -J myjob
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#SBATCH -o myjob_output_%j
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000
#SBATCH -t 02:00:00
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -p serial
module load myprog
```

srun myprog -option1 -option2



```
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
```

Option --mail-type=END = send email when the job finishes

Option --mail-user = your email address.

- If these are selected you get a email message when the job is done. This message also has a resource usage summary.
 - is done. This message also has a resource usage summary that can help in setting batch script parameters in the future.
- ➤ To see actually used resources try also: sacct -1 -j <jobid> (more on this later)

module load myprog



#SBATCH -n 1

- Number of cores to use
- It's also possible to control on how many nodes you job is distributed. Normally, this is not needed. By default use all cores in allocated nodes:
 - --ntasks-per-node=16
- Check documentation: http://research.csc.fi/software
 - There's a lot of software that can only be run in serial
- OpenMP applications can only use cores in one node

```
#!/bin/bash -1

#SBATCH -J myjob

#SBATCH -e myjob_err_%j

#SBATCH -o myjob_output_%j

#SBATCH --mail-type=END

#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net

#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000

#SBATCH -t 02:00:00

#SBATCH -n 1

#SBATCH -p serial

module load myprog
srun myprog -option1 -option2
```



#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000

- The amount of memory reserved for the job in MB
 - 1000 MB = 1 GB
- Memory is reserved on per-core basis even for shared memory (OpenMP) jobs

```
#!/bin/bash -1
#SBATCH -J myjob
#SBATCH -e myjob_err_%j
#SBATCH -o myjob_output_%j
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000
#SBATCH -t 02:00:00
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -p serial
module load myprog
srun myprog -option1 -option2
```

- Keep in mind the specifications for the nodes. Jobs with impossible requests are rejected (try squeue after submit)
- If you reserve too little memory the job will be killed (you will see a corresponding error in the output)
- ➢ If you reserve too much memory your job will spend much longer in queue and potentially waste resources (idle cores)



#SBATCH -t 02:00:00

- Time reserved for the job in hh:mm:ss
- When the time runs out the job will be terminated!
- With longer reservations the job queue longer

#!/bin/bash -1
#SBATCH -J myjob
#SBATCH -e myjob_err_%j
#SBATCH -o myjob_output_%j
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000
#SBATCH -t 02:00:00
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -p serial
module load myprog

- Limit for normal serial jobs is 3d (72 h)
 - if you reserve longer time, the job will go to "longrun" queue (limit 7d)
 - In the longrun queue you run at your own risk. If a batch job in that queue stops prematurely no compensation is given for lost cpu time!
 - In longrun you likely queue for a longer time: shorter jobs and restarts are better (safer, more efficient)
- Default job length is 5 minutes → need to be set by yourself.



#SBATCH -p serial

- The queue the job should be submitted to
- Queues are called "partitions" in SLURM
- You can check the available queues with command sinfo -1

```
#!/bin/bash -1
#SBATCH -J myjob
#SBATCH -e myjob_err_%j
#SBATCH -o myjob_output_%j
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000
#SBATCH -t 02:00:00
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -p serial
```

module load myprog
srun myprog -option1 -option2

PARTITION	AVAIL	TIMELIMIT	JOB_SIZE	ROOT	SHARE	GROUPS	NODES	STATE NODELIST
serial*	up	3-00:00:00	1	no	YES:4	all	514	mixed c[5-274,276-453,455-473,
serial*	up	3-00:00:00	1	no	YES:4	all	3	idle c[275,454,474]
parallel	up	3-00:00:00	1-28	no	NO	all	514	mixed c[5-274,276-453,455-473,
parallel	up	3-00:00:00	1-28	no	NO	all	3	idle c[275,454,474]
longrun	up	7-00:00:00	1	no	YES:4	all	514	mixed c[5-274,276-453,455-473,
longrun	up	7-00:00:00	1	no	YES:4	all	3	idle c[275,454,474]
test	up	30:00	1-2	no	YES:4	all	1	drained c4
test	up	30:00	1-2	no	YES:4	all	3	idle c[1-3]



module load myprog srun myprog -option1 -option2

- Your commands
 - These define the actual job to performed: these commands are run on the compute node.
 - See application documentation for correct syntax
 - Some examples also from batch script wizard in SUI

```
#!/bin/bash -1
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#SBATCH -e myjob_err_%j
#SBATCH -o myjob_output_%j
#SBATCH --mail-type=END
#SBATCH --mail-user=a.user@foo.net
#SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=4000
#SBATCH -t 02:00:00
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -p serial
```

- Remember to load modules if necessary
- By default the working directory is the directory where you submitted the job
 - If you include a cd command, make sure it points to correct directory
- Remember that input and output files should be in \$WRKDIR (or in some case \$TMPDIR)
- > srun tells your program which cores to use. There are also exceptions...



Most commonly used sbatch options

Slurm option

--begin=time

$$-N$$
, $--nodes=N$

--mem=<number in MB>

Description

defer job until HH:MM MM/DD/YY

number of cpus required per task

defer job until condition on jobid is satisfied

file for batch script's standard error

number of tasks per node

name of job

notify on state change: BEGIN, END, FAIL or ALL

who to send email notification for job state changes

number of tasks to run

number of nodes on which to run

file for batch script's standard output

time limit in format hh:mm:ss

maximum amount of real memory per allocated cpu

required by the job in megabytes

maximum memory per node



Submitting and cancelling jobs

- The script file is submitted with command sbatch batch job.file
 - Optional: sbatch option are usually listed in the batch job script, but they can also be specified on command line, e.g.

```
sbatch -J test2 -t 00:05:00 batch_job_file.sh
```

Job can be deleted with command

scancel <jobid>



Queues

The job can be followed with command squeue:

```
squeue squeue -p <partition> (shows all jobs in all queues) (shows all jobs in single queue (partition)) squeue -u <username> (shows all jobs in single queue (partition)) (shows all jobs for a single user) squeue -j <jobid> -1 (status of a single job in long format)
```

To estimate the start time of a job in queue

```
scontrol show job <jobid>
```

row "StartTime=..." gives an estimate on the job start-up time, e.g. StartTime=2014-02-11T19:46:44 EndTime=Unknown

- scontrol will also show where your job is running
- If you add this to the end of your batch script, you'll get additional info to stdout about resource usage (works for jobs run with srun)
 - used_slurm_resources.bash



Job logs

- > Command sacct can be used to study past jobs
 - ➤ Usefull when deciding proper resource requests

TIP: Check
MaxRSS to see
how much
memory you
need and avoid
overbooking

```
Short format listing of jobs starting from midnight today

sacct -l long format output

sacct -j <jobid> information on single job

sacct -S YY:MM:DD listing start date

sacct -o list only named data fields, e.g.

sacct -u <username> list only jobs submitted by username
```

sacct -o jobid, jobname, maxrss, state, elapsed -j <jobid>



Available nodes/queues

You can check available nodes in each queue with command: sjstat -c

Scheduling pool data:

Pool	Memory	Cpus	Total (Jsable	 Free	Other Traits
					20 <u>00</u>	
serial*	64300Mb	16	501	501	5	
serial*	258000Mb	16	16	16	0	bigmem
parallel	64300Mb	16	501	501	5	
parallel	258000Mb	16	16	16	0	bigmem
longrun	64300Mb	16	501	501	5	
longrun	258000Mb	16	16	16	0	bigmem
test	64300Mb	16	4	3	3	
hugemem	1551000Mb	32	2	2	2	bigmem



Most frequently used SLURM commands

Description
Run a parallel job.
Allocate resources for interactive use.
Submit a job script to a queue.
Cancel jobs or job steps.
View information about SLURM nodes and partitions.
View information about jobs located in the SLURM
scheduling queue
Graphically view information about SLURM jobs,
partitions, and set configurations parameters
display statistics of jobs under control of SLURM
(combines data from sinfo, squeue and scontrol)
View SLURM configuration and state.
Displays accounting data for batch jobs.



Parallel jobs (1/2)

- Only applicable if your program supports parallel running
- Check application documentation on number of cores to use
 - Speed-up is often not linear (communication overhead)
 - Maximum number can be limited by the algorithms
 - Make sure (test) that using more cores speeds up calculation
- Mainly two types: MPI jobs and shared memory (OpenMP) jobs
 - OpenMP jobs can be run only inside one node
 - All cores access same memory space
 - MPI jobs can span several nodes
 - Each core has its own memory space



Parallel jobs (2/2)

- Memory is normally reserved per-core basis
 - For OpenMP jobs divide total memory by number of cores
 - Take care to only request possible configurations
 - If you reserve a complete node, you can also ask for all the memory
- Each server has different configuration so setting up parallel jobs in optimal way requires some thought
- > See server guides for specifics: http://research.csc.fi/guides
 - Use Taito for large memory jobs
 - Sisu for massively parallel jobs
 - Check also the software specific pages for examples and detailed information: http://research.csc.fi/software



Array jobs (advanced usage)

- Best suited for running the same analysis for large number of files
- > #SBATCH --array=1-100
- Defines to run 100 jobs, where a variable \$SLURM_ARRAY_TASK_ID gets each number (1,2,...100) in turn as its value. This is then used to launch the actual job (e.g. srun myprog input_\$SLURM_ARRAY_TASK_ID > output_\$SLURM_ARRAY_TASK_ID)
- > Thus this would run 100 jobs:

```
srun myprog input_1 > output_1
srun myprog input_2 > output_2
...
srun myprog input_100 > output_100
```

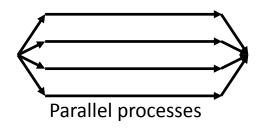
- For more information
 - http://research.csc.fi/taito-array-jobs



OPENMP AND MPI

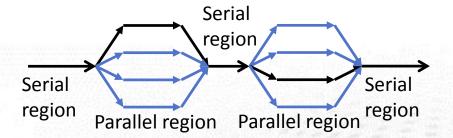


Threads and processes



Process

- Independent execution units
- Have their own state information and use their own address spaces

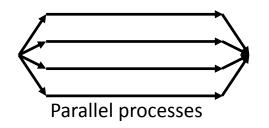


Thread

- A single process may contain multiple threads
- All threads within a process share the same state and same address space

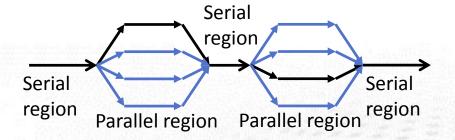


Threads and processes



Process

- Spawned when starting the parallel program and killed when its finished
- Typically
 communicate using
 MPI in
 supercomputers



Thread

- Short-lived: threads are created by forking and destroyed by joining them
- Communicate directly through the shared memory



Three components of OpenMP

- Compiler directives and constructs
 - Expresses shared memory parallelization
 - Preceded by sentinel, can compile serial version
- Runtime library routines
 - Small number of library functions
 - Can be discarded in serial version via conditional compiling
- Environment variables
 - Specify the number of threads, etc.



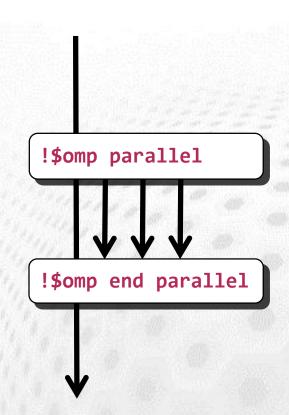
OpenMP directives

- Sentinels precede each OpenMP directive
 - C/C++: #pragma omp
 - Fortran free form: !\$omp
- Compilers that support OpenMP usually require an option (flag) that enables the feature
 - Without an enabling flag the OpenMP sentinels are treated as comments and a serial version will be compiled



Parallel construct

- Defines a parallel region
 - Prior to it only one thread, master
 - Creates a team of threads:
 master+slave threads
 - At end of the block is a barrier and all shared data is synchronized





Example: Helloworld with OpenMP

```
program hello
  use omp_lib
  integer :: omp_rank
!$omp parallel private(omp_rank)
  omp_rank = omp_get_thread_num()
  print *, 'Hello world! by &
    thread ', omp_rank
!$omp end parallel
end program hello
```

```
> ftn omp_hello.f90 -o omp
> setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 4
> aprun -n 1 -d 4 ./omp
Hello world! by thread 0
Hello world! by thread 2
Hello world! by thread 3
Hello world! by thread 1
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <omp.h>
int main(int argc, char argv[]){
  int omp_rank;
#pragma omp parallel private(omp_rank)
  {
   omp_rank = omp_get_thread_num();
   printf("Hello world! by
        thread %d", omp_rank);
  }
}
```

```
> cc omp_hello.c -o omp
> setenv OMP_NUM_THREADS 4
> aprun -n 1 -d 4 ./omp
Hello world! by thread 2
Hello world! by thread 3
Hello world! by thread 0
Hello world! by thread 1
```



How do the threads interact?

- Because of the shared address space threads can "communicate" using shared variables
- Threads often need some private work space together with shared variables
 - For example the index variable of a loop
- Visibility of different variables is defined using data-sharing clauses in the parallel region definition
 - private, firstprivate, lastprivate, shared, default



Work sharing

- Parallel region creates an "Single Program Multiple Data" instance where each thread executes the same code
- How can one split the work between the threads of a parallel region?
 - Loop construct
 - Single/Master construct
 - Sections
 - Task construct (in OpenMP 3.0 and above)

Loop constructs



- Directive instructing compiler to share the work of a loop
 - Fortran: \$0MP DO
 - C/C++: #pragma omp for
 - Directive must be inside a parallel region
 - Can also be combined with parallel: \$OMP PARALLEL DO / #pragma omp parallel for
- Loop index is private by default
- Work sharing can be controlled using schedule clause
 - static, dynamic, guided, or runtime



Reduction clause

reduction(operator:var_list)

- Performs reduction on the (scalar) variables in list
- Private reduction variable is created for each thread's partial result
- Private reduction variable is initialized to operator's initial value
- After parallel region the reduction operation is applied to private variables and result is aggregated to the shared variable



Execution controls

- Sometimes a part of parallel region should be executed only by the master thread or by a single thread at time
 - I/O, initializations, updating global values, etc.
 - Remember the synchronization!
- OpenMP provides clauses for controlling the execution of code blocks
 - barrier
 - master & single
 - critical



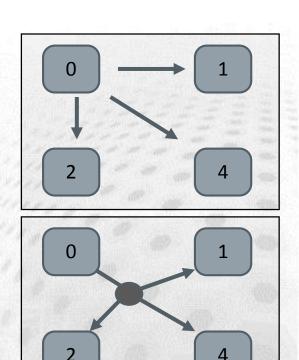
Execution model in MPI

- Parallel program is launched as set of independent, identical processes
 - The same program code and instructions
- MPI runtime assigns each process a rank
 - identification of the processes
 - Processes can perform different tasks and handle different data basing on their rank
 - Can reside in different nodes
- The way to launch parallel program is implementation dependent



Communication

- Data is local to the MPI processes
 - they need to communicate to coordinate work
- Point-to-point communication
 - Messages are sent between two processes
- Collective communication
 - Involving a number of processes at the same time





MPI point-to-point operations

- One process sends a message to another process that receives it with MPI_Send and MPI_Recv routines
- Sends and receives in a program should match – one receive per send
- Each message (envelope) contains
 - The actual data that is to be sent
 - The datatype of each element of data
 - The number of elements the data consists of
 - An identification number for the message (tag)
 - The ranks of the source and destination

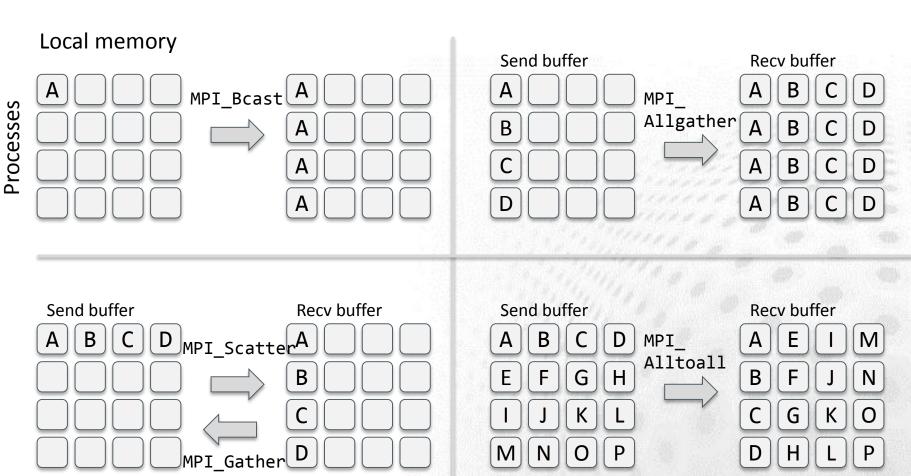


Non-blocking communication

- Non-blocking communication is usually the smarter way to do point-to-point communication in MPI
 - Enables some computing concurrently with communication
 - Avoids many common dead-lock situations
- Non-blocking communication realization
 - MPI_Isend
 - MPI Irecv
 - MPI_Wait / MPI_Waitall



Collective operations examples



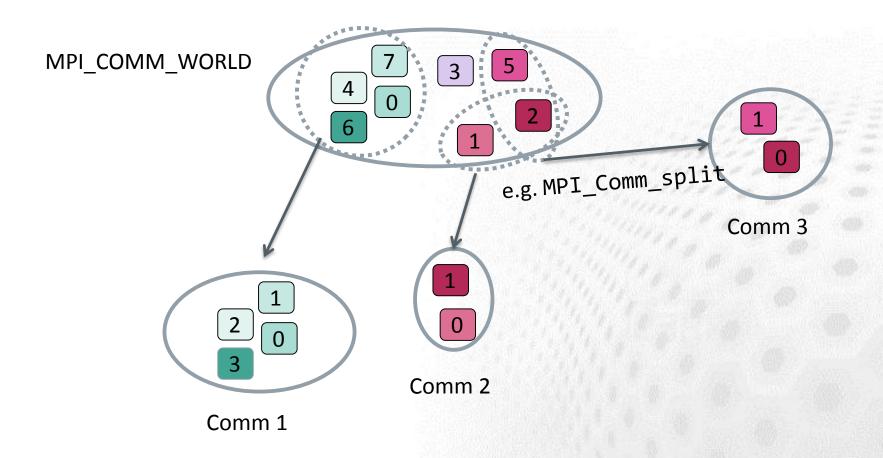


MPI datatypes

- MPI has a number of predefined datatypes to represent data
- Each C or Fortran datatype has a corresponding MPI datatype
 - C examples: MPI_INT for int and MPI_DOUBLE for double
 - Fortran example: MPI_INTEGER for integer
- One can also define custom datatypes

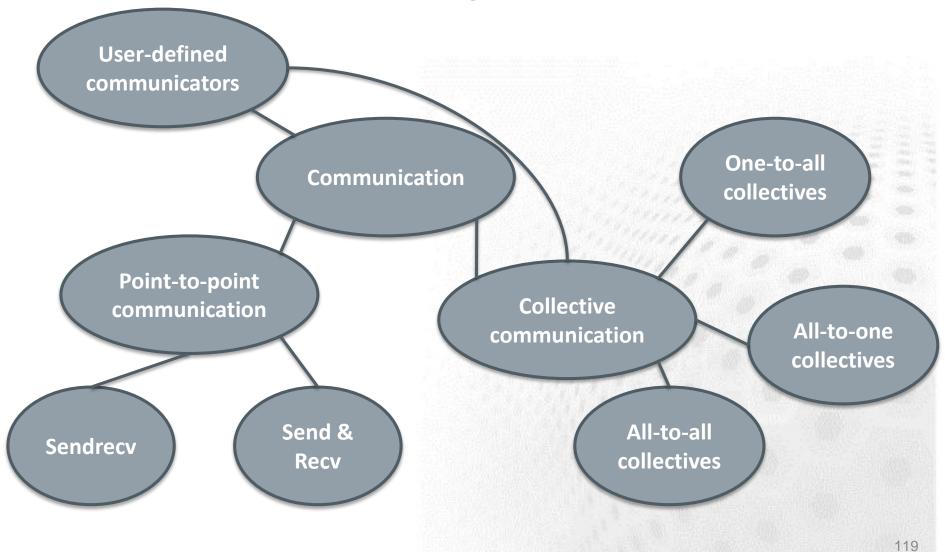


Communicators





Basic MPI summary





First five MPI commands

C & Fortran bindings

```
int MPI_Init(int *argc, char **argv)
int MPI_Comm_size(MPI_Comm comm, int *size)
int MPI_Comm_rank(MPI_Comm comm, int *rank)
int MPI_Barrier(MPI_Comm comm)
MPI Finalize()
MPI_INIT(ierror)
MPI_COMM_SIZE(comm, size, ierror)
MPI_COMM_RANK(comm, rank, ierror)
MPI_BARRIER(comm, ierror)
MPI FINALIZE(ierror)
integer comm, size, rank, ierror
```



Send operation

C/C++ binding

int MPI_Send(void *buffer, int count, MPI_Datatype
 datatype,int dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm)

The return value of the function is the error value

Fortran binding

```
MPI_SEND(buffer, count, datatype,
   dest,tag, comm, ierror)
<type>, dimension(*) :: buf
integer :: count, datatype, dest, tag, comm, ierror
   ierror: the error value
```



Receive operation

C/C++ binding

int MPI_Recv(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
 int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran binding

```
mpi_recv(buf, count, datatype, source, tag, comm, status,
   ierror)
<type>, dimension(*) :: buf
integer :: count, datatype, source, tag, comm, ierror
integer, dimension(MPI_STATUS_SIZE) :: status
```



MPI datatypes

MPI type C type

MPI_CHAR signed char

MPI_SHORT short int

MPI_INT int

MPI_LONG long int

MPI_UNSIGNED_SHORT unsigned short int

MPI_UNSIGNED_INT unsigned int

MPI_UNSIGNED_LONG unsigned long int

MPI_FLOAT float

MPI_DOUBLE double

MPI_LONG_DOUBLE long double

MPI_BYTE



MPI datatypes

MPI type

MPI_CHARACTER

MPI_INTEGER

MPI_REAL

MPI_REAL8

MPI_DOUBLE_PRECISION

MPI_COMPLEX

MPI DOUBLE COMPLEX

MPI_LOGICAL

MPI_BYTE

Fortran type

CHARACTER

INTEGER

REAL

REAL*8 (nonstandard)

DOUBLE PRECISION

COMPLEX

DOUBLE COMPLEX

LOGICAL



Combined send & receive

C/C++ binding

int MPI_Sendrecv(void *sendbuf, int sendcount, MPI_Datatype
 sendtype, int dest, int sendtag, void *recvbuf, int
 recvcount, MPI_Datatype recvtype, int source, int
 recvtag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Status *status)

Fortran binding

```
mpi_sendrecv(sendbuf, sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag,
    recvbuf, recvcount, recvtype, source, recvtag, comm,
    status, ierror)
<type>, dimension(*) :: sendbuf, recvbuf
integer :: sendcount, sendtype, dest, sendtag, recvcount,
    recvtype, source, recvtag, comm, ierror
integer, dimension(MPI STATUS SIZE) :: status
```



Non-blocking send

C/C++ binding

int MPI_Isend(void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype, int
 dest, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request)

Fortran binding

MPI_ISEND(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR)

<type> :: BUF(*)

INTEGER :: COUNT, DATATYPE, DEST, TAG, COMM, REQUEST, IERROR



Non-blocking receive

C/C++ binding

```
int MPI_Irecv( void *buf, int count, MPI_Datatype datatype,
  int source, int tag, MPI_Comm comm, MPI_Request *request
)
```

Fortran binding

```
MPI_IRECV(BUF, COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM,
    REQUEST,IERROR)
<type> :: BUF(*)
INTEGER :: COUNT, DATATYPE, SOURCE, TAG, COMM, REQUEST,
    IERROR
```



Wait for non-blocking operation

- O/C++ binding
 int MPI_Wait(MPI_Request *request, MPI_Status *status)
- Fortran binding

```
MPI_WAIT(REQUEST, STATUS, IERROR)
INTEGER :: REQUEST, STATUS(MPI_STATUS_SIZE), IERROR
```



Wait for non-blocking operations

C/C++ binding

```
int MPI_Waitall(int count, MPI_Request
   *array_of_requests, MPI_Status *array_of_statuses)
```

Fortran binding

```
MPI_WAITALL(COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS, ARRAY_OF_STATUSES,
    IERROR)
INTEGER :: COUNT, ARRAY_OF_REQUESTS(:),
    ARRAY_OF_STATUSES(MPI_STATUS_SIZE,:), IERROR
```



Creating a communicator

C and Fortran bindings

```
MPI_COMM_SPLIT (comm, color, key, newcomm, rc)
integer :: comm, color, key, newcomm, rc
```

Return code values

MPI_SUCCESS No error; MPI routine completed successfully.

MPI_ERR_COMM Invalid communicator. A common error is to use

a null communicator in a call

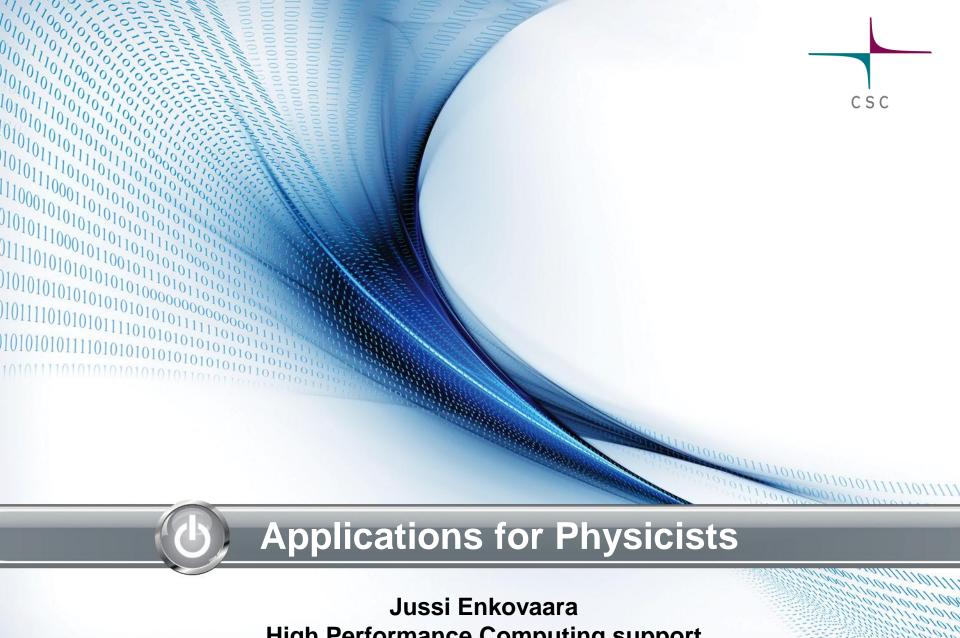
MPI_ERR_INTERN This error is returned when some part of the

implementation is unable to acquire

memory.



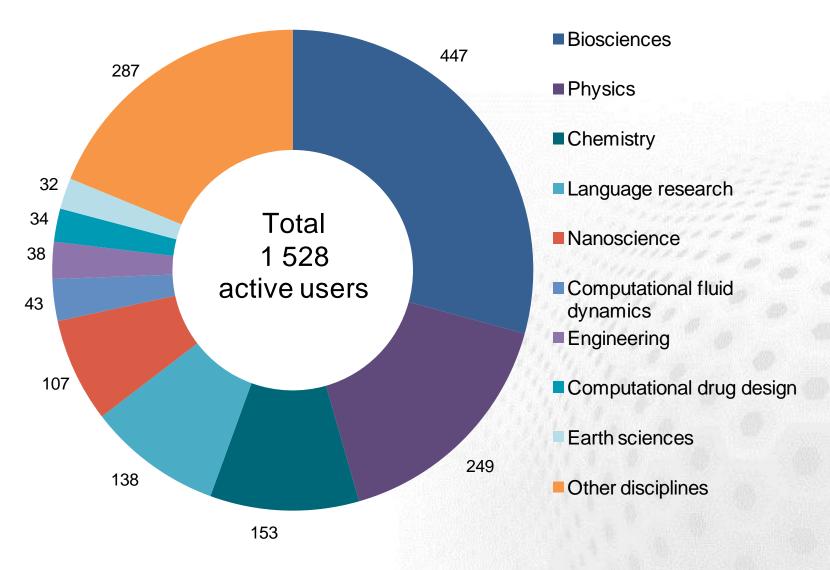
Time for hands-on



High Performance Computing support

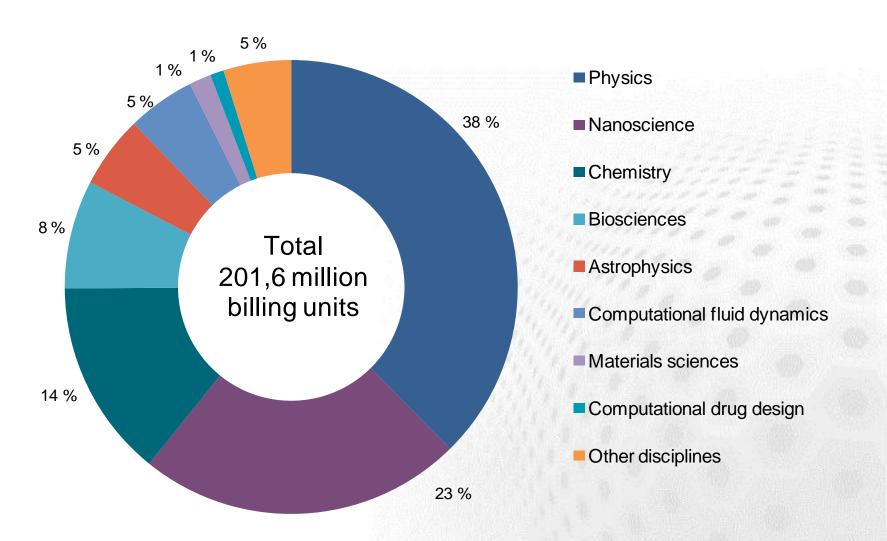
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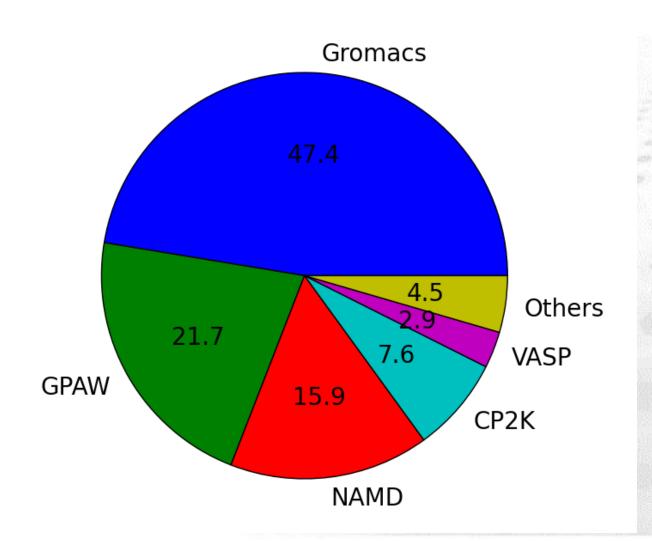
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Software maintained by CSC





CLASSICAL MOLECULAR DYNAMICS



Molecular dynamics

- Numerical integration of Newton's law; v
- Forces can be calculated quantum mechanically (ab initio MD) or from classical force fields

$$\mathbf{F}_i(t) = -\nabla_i V(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, ..., \mathbf{r}_n; t)$$

- The form of the force field (or potential) V is chosen to represent physics of the problem
 - Empirically parameterized
 - Large variety of force fields exists

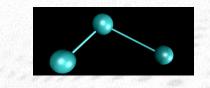


Classical force fields

Typical terms in force fields:

Torsional
$$V(\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_n \cos(n\phi + \delta)$$

Vibrational $V(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{r}_j) = \frac{1}{2} k(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)^2$
Coulombic $V(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{r}_j) = \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}}$





- Effects of surroundings (temperature, pressure etc.)
 - Canonical ensemble, isothermal-isobaric ensemble, ...
 - Thermostats



Molecular dynamics

- Basic outcome is the time evolution of system of atoms (positions and velocities) i.e sample of phase space
- Different distribution functions provide information about the system
- Collect statistics to obtain representative ensemble of the phase space
- Typically length and time scales in MD
 - $-10^4 10^6$ atoms, time up to μ s



Molecular models

- All atoms
 - OPLS-AA/L, CHARM, AMBER
 - Each atom is treated as particle
- Coarse grained superatoms
 - Group of atoms (i.e. 4 is treated as particle)



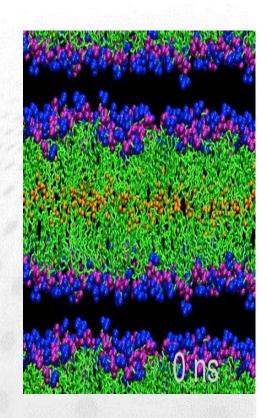
MD software at CSC

Gromacs

- Widely used open source software package
- Mainly biomolecules
- Different molecular models and algorithms

NAMD

- Main emphasis also on biomolecules
- Massively parallel
- Freeware





QUANTUM MECHANICS



Interacting electrons and nuclei

- Nanosystems: 1 − 100 Å
- Nuclei as point particles with charge Z_a and mass M_a (nuclear radii < 10⁻⁴ Å)
- Hamiltonian for electron-nuclei system

$$H = -\sum_{i} \frac{\nabla_{i}^{2}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_{i} - \mathbf{r}_{j}|} + \sum_{i,a} \frac{Z_{a}}{|\mathbf{r}_{i} - \mathbf{R}_{a}|}$$
$$-\sum_{a} \frac{\nabla_{a}^{2}}{2M_{a}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a \neq a'} \frac{Z_{a}Z_{a'}}{|\mathbf{R}_{a} - \mathbf{R}_{a'}|}$$

Atomic units:
$$\hbar = m = e = \frac{4\pi}{\epsilon_0} = 1$$



Born-Oppenheimer approximation

- Nuclei are much heavier than electrons (M_I > 10³)
- Electronic time scales are often significantly shorter than the nuclear ones
- Decouple the dynamics of electrons and nuclei
- Electronic Hamiltonian:

$$H = -\sum_{i} \frac{\nabla_i^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} + \sum_{i,a} \frac{Z_a}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{R}_a|}$$



Many-body Schrödinger equation

$$H = -\sum_{i} \frac{\nabla_{i}^{2}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_{i} - \mathbf{r}_{j}|} + \sum_{i} V_{ext}(\mathbf{r}_{i})$$
$$H\Psi(\mathbf{r}_{1}, ..., \mathbf{r}_{N}) = E\Psi(\mathbf{r}_{1}, ..., \mathbf{r}_{N})$$

- Can be solved analytically for single electron
- Storing 8 electron wavefunction in 6x6x6 cartesian grid requires ~10¹⁰ GB!



Wave-function based methods

- Hartree-Fock approximation: many-body wave-function as determinant of single particle orbitals
 - Often only qualitatively correct
- Post-Hartree-Fock methods: configuration integration (CI), coupled cluster (CC), Møller–Plesset perturbation theory (MP2, MP3, MP4)
 - Accurate, computational scaling O(N^m), m > 4
 - Only small molecules



Wave-function based methods

Physical quantities

 Formation and dissociation energies, geometry optimizations, excited state energies, various spectra

Software packages at CSC

- Turbomole, Gaussian, Molpro, NWChem
- Typically not massively parallel, up to few tens of CPU cores



Density-functional theory

- Hohenberg-Kohn theorems
 - The ground state properties of many-electron system are unique functionals of the ground state density n(r)
 - The ground state density minimizes the energy functional
- Density depends only on three spatial variables
- The exact energy functional is not known but must be approximated



Kohn-Sham equations

Formulate problem in terms of single particle orbitals $\left(-\frac{\nabla^2}{2} + v_s(\mathbf{r})\right)\psi_i(\mathbf{r}) = e_i\psi_i(\mathbf{r})$

$$v_s[n](\mathbf{r}) = V_{ext}(\mathbf{r}) + V_H[n](\mathbf{r}) + V_{xc}[n](\mathbf{r})$$

$$V_H = \int \frac{n(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r}'$$
 $V_{xc} = \frac{\delta E_{xc}[n]}{\delta n(\mathbf{r})}$

$$n(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{i} \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \psi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

Non-linear problem, computational scaling O(N³)



Density-functional theory

- Physical quantities
 - Energetics, geometry optimization, elastic constants, phonons, ...
 - Analysis of electronic structure
 - Excited state properties with time-dependent density-functional theory
- Accuracy depends on the exchangecorrelation approx.
 - Local density approximation, generalized gradient approximation, ...



Numerical solution

- The strong Coulomb potential may be replaced with a smoother one
 - Pseudopotential vs. all-electron methods
- Wave-functions (or Kohn-Sham orbitals) are expanded in a basis:

$$\psi_i = \sum_n C_{i,n} \Phi_n$$

Matrix equations: $\mathbf{HC} = e\mathbf{SC}$ $H_{ij} = \langle \Phi_i | \hat{H} | \Phi_j \rangle$ $H_{ij} = \langle \Phi_i | \Phi_j \rangle$



Plane-wave basis

Periodic functions can be expanded in plane waves

$$u_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\Omega^{1/2}} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} C_{\mathbf{G}, n\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \Rightarrow \psi_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\Omega^{1/2}} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} C_{\mathbf{G}, n\mathbf{k}} e^{i(\mathbf{G} + \mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$

$$n(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\mathbf{G}} n_{\mathbf{G}} e^{i\mathbf{G}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$$
 $V(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\mathbf{G}} V_{\mathbf{G}} e^{i\mathbf{G}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$

- Relies on fast Fourier transforms
- Systematic convergence with the number of plane waves
- Requires pseudopotential approximation



Localized atomic orbital basis

- Use chemical insight for constructing basis
 - Radial solution of isolated atom
 - Gaussian basis
 - Slater basis
- Nomenclature: single-zeta (SZ), doublezeta (DZ), double-zeta + polarized (DZP), ...
- Systematic convergence of basis can be difficult
- All-electron or pseudopotential methods



Real-space grids

- Represent wave-functions, potentials, densities etc. on real-space grid
- Derivatives with finite-differences
- Systematic convergence with grid spacing
- Requires pseudopotential approximation



Comparison on basis sets

- Plane waves
 - systematic convergence with single parameter
 - parallelization more limited due FFTs
- Localized basis set
 - compact basis
 - systematic convergence can be difficult
- Real-space grids
 - systematic convergence with single parameter
 - good parallelization prospects



DFT software packages



GPAW

- Real-space grids, plane waves, atomic orbital basis
- Projector augmented wave approximation
- Time-dependent density-functional theory
- Good parallelization in real-space mode (> 10 000 CPU cores)
- Flexible Python interface, simple GUI
- Open source



DFT software packages

VASP

- Plane waves
- Projector augmented wave approximation
- Standard ground state features, some excited state functionality
- Widely used, stable software package
- Parallelization up to few hundreds of CPU cores
- Requires a license





DFT software packages

CP2K



- Mixed Gaussian and plane wave basis
- Norm conserving pseudopotentials
- Well suited for ab-initio molecular dynamics of insulating systems
- Good parallelization (thousands of CPU cores) depending on usage mode
- Open source



User interfaces for DFT software

- Atomic simulation environment (ASE)
 - Python interface for setting up atomic structures and other non-computational intensive tasks
 - Can be used with several "computational engines" (GPAW, VASP, ...)
 - Simple GUI
 - Open source, runs either locally or remotely (Linux, Mac, Windows)



User interfaces for DFT software

Materials Studio

- Extensive graphical user interface for materials simulations
- Setting up of structures, performing calculations, analysis
- DFT calculations with CASTEP (plane-wave pseudopotential code), also several classical simulation methods
- Proprietary, user interface only for Windows

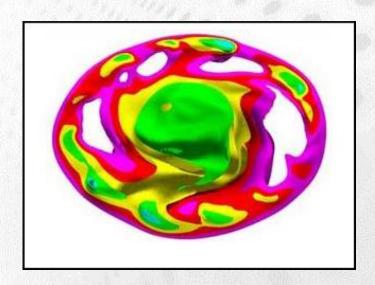


OTHER SOFTWARE



Other software

- Elmer multiphysical finite-element software
 - Fluid dynamics, structural mechanics,
 electromagnetics, heat transfer, acoustics, ...
 - Open source





Other software

Mathematica

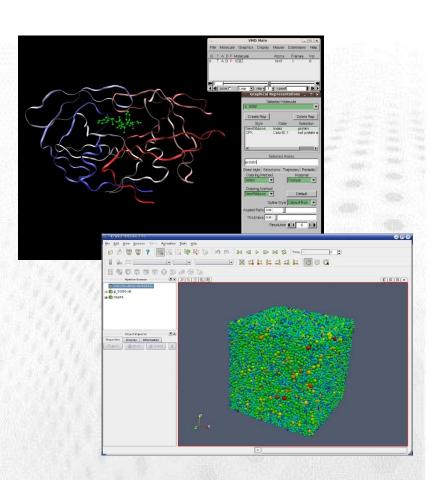
- Symbolic mathematics (including derivatives and integrals)
- Visualization
- Matlab
 - Numerical mathematics especially with matrices
 - Toolboxes for specific tasks
- Python (+ NumPy + SciPy + matplotlib + ...)
 - General purpose programming, numeric, and visualization



Other software

VMD

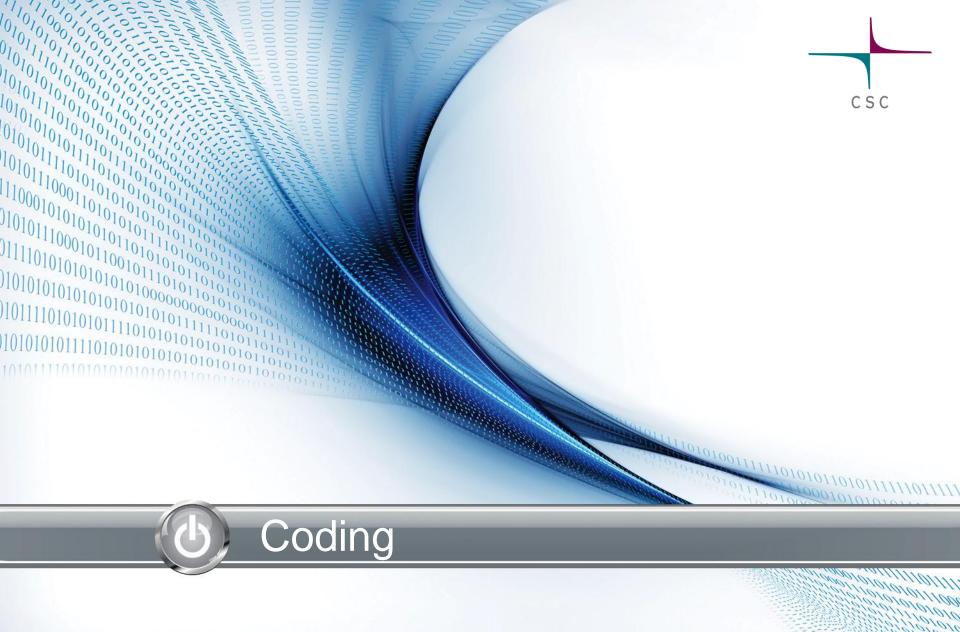
- Molecular visualization with balls, sticks, ribbons etc.
- Isosurfaces
- ParaView
 - Analysis and visualization
 - Interactive or batch processing

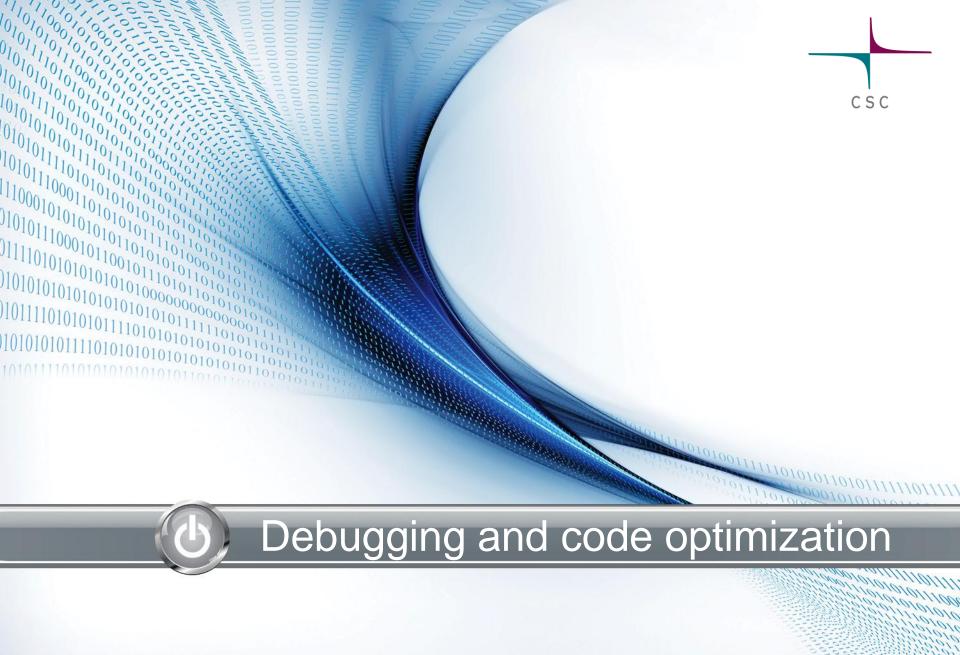




Summary

- CSC offers large selection of software suitable for physicists
 - Chemistry databases can also be useful
- No single "best" tool
- See
 research.csc.fi/software
 for full listing of available software







Debugging

- Debugging is inevitable but often difficult
- Naive approach: "print *, 'foo 1' "
- Parallel debuggers can be of great help
 - Totalview
 - LGDB
 - Other, e.g., DDT, gdb, ...



Debugging demo



Code optimization

- Obvious benefits
 - Better throughput => more science
 - Cheaper than new hardware
 - Save energy, compute quota etc.
- ..and some non-obvious ones
 - Collaboration opportunities
 - Potential for cross-disciplinary research
 - Deeper understanding of application



Code optimization

- Several trends making code optimization even more important
 - More and more cores
 - CPU's vector units getting wider
 - The gap between CPU and memory speed ever increasing
 - Datasets growing rapidly but disk I/O performance lags behind



Code optimization

- Adapting the problem to the underlying hardware
- Combination of many aspects
 - Effective algorithms
 - Implementation: Processor utilization & efficient memory use
 - Parallel scalability
- Important to understand interactions
 - Algorithm code compiler libraries hardware
- Performance is not portable!

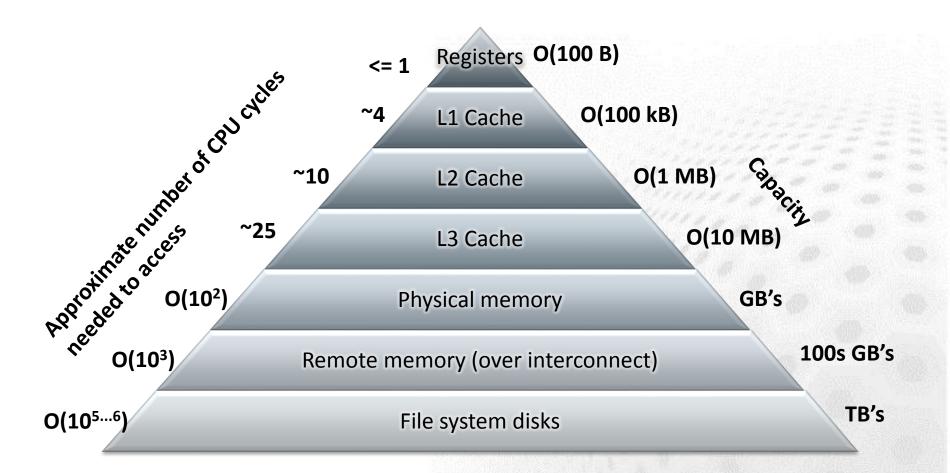


Not going to touch the source code?

- Find the compiler and its compiler flags that yield the best performance
- Employ tuned libraries wherever possible
- Find suitable settings for environment parameters
- Mind the I/O
 - Do not checkpoint too often
 - Do not ask for the output you do not need

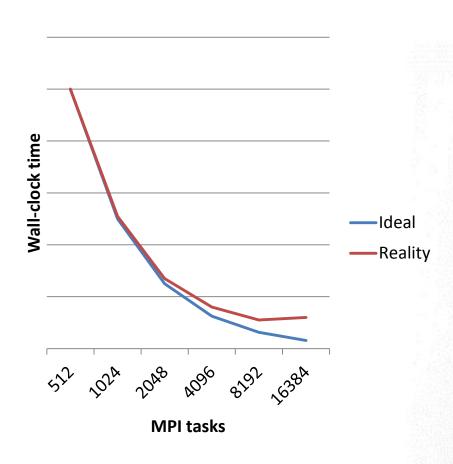


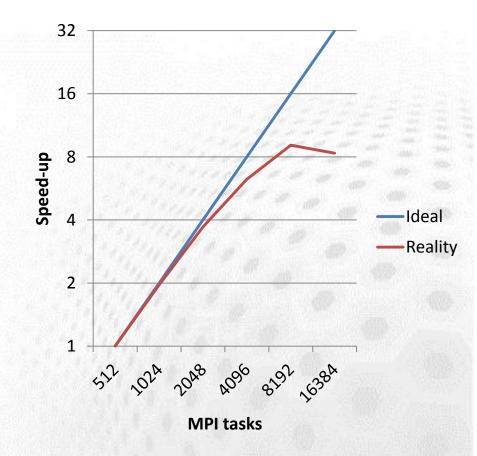
Memory hierarchy





Why does scaling end?







Why does scaling end?

- Amount of data per process small computation takes little time compared to communication
- Amdahl's law in general
 - E.g., single-writer or stderr I/O
- Load imbalance
- Communication that scales badly with N_{proc}
 - E.g., all-to-all collectives
- Congestion on network too many messages or lots of data

Application timing



- Most basic information: total wall clock time
 - Built-in timers in the program (e.g. MPI_Wtime)
 - System commands (e.g. time) or batch system statistics
- Built-in timers can provide also more finegrained information
 - Have to be inserted by hand
 - Typically no information about hardware related issues
 - Information about load imbalance and communication statistics of parallel program is difficult to obtain



Performance analysis tools

- Instrumentation of code
 - Adding special measurement code to binary
 - Normally all routines do not need to be measured
- Measurement: running the instrumented binary
 - Profile: sum of events over time
 - Trace: sequence of events over time
- Analysis
 - Text based analysis reports
 - Visualization



Profiling

- Purpose of the profiling is to find the "hot spots" of the program
 - Usually execution time, also memory
- Usually the code has to be recompiled or relinked, sometimes also small code changes are needed
- Often several profiling runs with different techiques is needed
 - Identify the hot spots with one approach, identify the reason for poor performance

Profiling: sampling

The application execution is interrupted at constant intervals and the program counter and call stack is examined

Pros

- Lightweight
- does not interfere the code execution too much

Cons

- Not always accurate
- Difficult to catch small functions
- Results may vary between runs

Profiling: tracing

Hooks are added to function calls (or user-defined points in program) and the required metric is recorder

Pros

 Can record the program execution accurately and repeatably

Cons

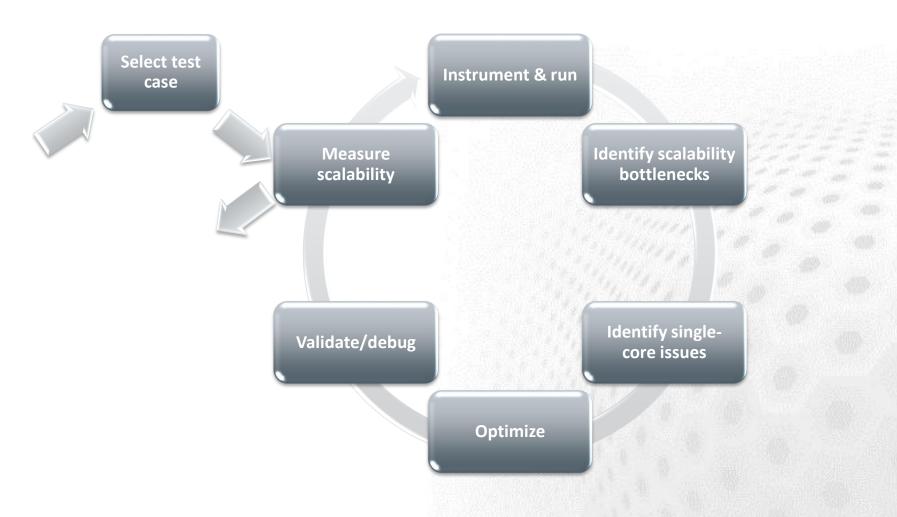
- More intrusive
- Can produce prohibitely large log files
- May change the performance behaviour of the program



CODE OPTIMIZATION CYCLE



Code optimization cycle



Step 1: Choose a test problem

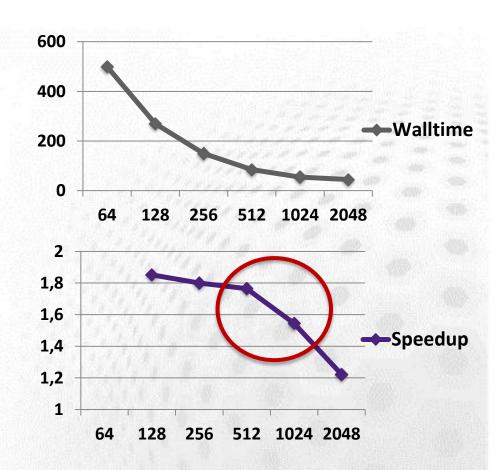


- The dataset used in the analysis should
 - Make sense, i.e. resemble the intended use of the code
 - Be large enough for getting a good view on scalability
 - Be runable in a reasonable time
 - For instance, with simulation codes almost a full-blown model but run only for a few time steps
- Should be run long enough that initialization/finalization stages are not exaggerated
 - Alternatively, we can exclude them during the analysis



Step 2: Measure scalability

- Run the uninstrumented code with different core counts and see where the parallel scaling stops
- Often we look at strong scaling
 - Also weak scaling is definitely of interest





Step 3: Instrument & run

- Obtain first a sampling profile to find which user functions should be traced
 - With a large/complex software, one should not trace them all: it causes excessive overhead
 - Tracing also e.g. MPI, I/O and library (BLAS, FFT,...) calls
- Execute and record the first analysis with
 - The core count where the scalability is still ok
 - The core count where the scalability has ended and identify the largest differences between these profiles



Step 4: Identify scalability bottlenecks

- What communication pattern and routines are dominating the true time spent for communication (excluding the sync times)?
- How does the message-size profile look like?
- Note that the analysis tools may report load imbalances as "real" communication
 - Put an MPI_Barrier before the suspicious routine - load imbalance will aggregate into it



Example with CrayPAT





Example with CrayPAT

```
Table 4:
        MPI Message Stats by Caller
                                4KB<= |Function
   MPI Msg | MPI Msg |
                       MsgSz
                                MsgSz | Caller
              Count
                        <16B
      Bytes
                        Count
                                 <64KB
                                         PE[mmm]
                                 Count
 15138076.0 | 4099.4 |
                       411.6 | 3687.8 | Total
  15138028.0 | 4093.4 | 405.6 | 3687.8 | MPI_ISEND
   8080500.0
               2062.5
                          93.8 l
                                  1968.8 | calc2
                                          MAIN
      8216000.0
                  3000.0
                           1000.0
                                    2000.0 pe.0
      8208000.0
                  2000.0
                                    2000.0
                                           pe.9
      6160000.0
                 2000.0
                            500.0
                                    1500.0
```



Step 4: Identify scalability bottlenecks

- Signature: User routines scaling but MPI time blowing up
 - Issue: Not enough to compute in a domain
 - Weak scaling could still continue
 - Issue: Expensive collectives
 - Issue: Communication increasing as a function of tasks
- Signature: MPI_Sync times increasing
 - Issue: Load imbalance
 - Tasks not having a balanced role in communication?
 - Tasks not having a balanced role in computation?
 - Synchronous (single-writer) I/O or stderr I/O?

Step 5: Find single-core hotspots



- Remember: pay attention only to user routines that consume significant portion of the total time
- Collect the key hardware counters, for example
 - L1 and L2 cache metrics (PAT_RT_PERFCTR=2)
 - use of vector (SSE/AVX) instructions (PAT_RT_PERFCTR=13)
 - Computational intensity (= ratio of floating point ops / memory accesses) (PAT_RT_PERFCTR=1, default)
- Trace the "math" group to see if expensive operations (exp, log, sin, cos,...) have a significant role



Step 5: Find single-core hotspots

- Signature: Low L1 and/or L2 cache hit ratios
 - < 96% for L1, < 99% for L1+L2
 - Issue: Bad cache alignment
- Signature: Low vector instruction usage
 - Issue: Non-vectorizable (hotspot) loops
- Signature: Traced "math" group featuring a significant portion in the profile
 - Issue: Expensive math operations

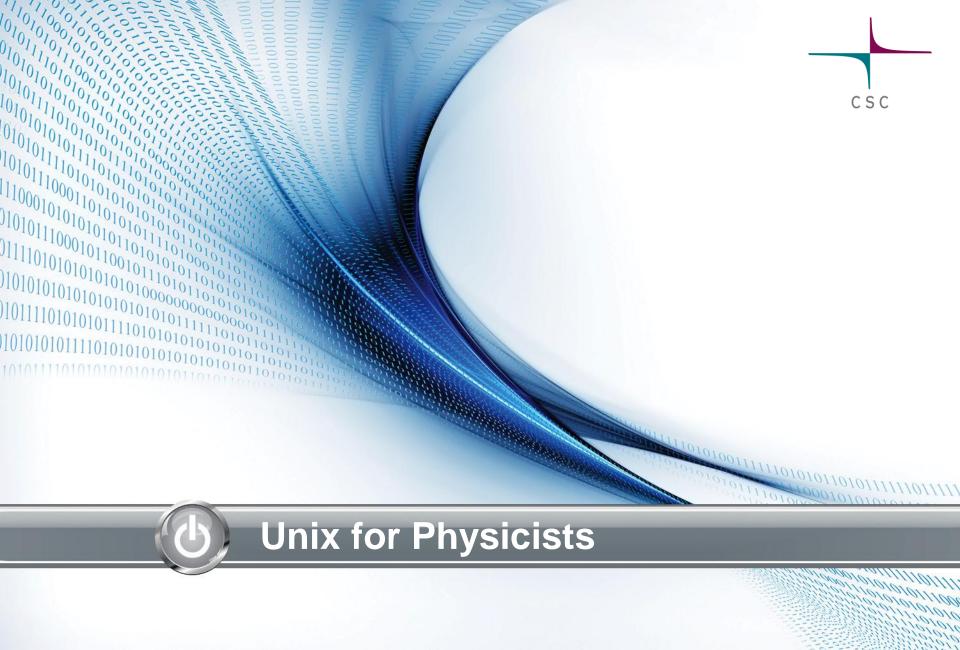


The Golden Rules of profiling

- Profile your code
 - The compiler/runtime will not do all the optimisation for you.
- Profile your code yourself
 - Don't believe what anyone tells you. They're wrong.
- Profile on the hardware you want to run on
 - Don't profile on your laptop if you plan to run on a Cray system.
- Profile your code running the full-sized problem
 - The profile will almost certainly be qualitatively different for a test case.
- Keep profiling your code as you optimize
 - Concentrate your efforts on the thing that slows your code down.
 - This will change as you optimise.
 - So keep on profiling.



Wrap-up of day 1



Contents



- Shells and commands on CSC supercomputers
 - bash (recommended)
 - tcsh
- NX
- Dealing with files and directiories
- Programs
- Useful tools
- Use cases

What is shell?

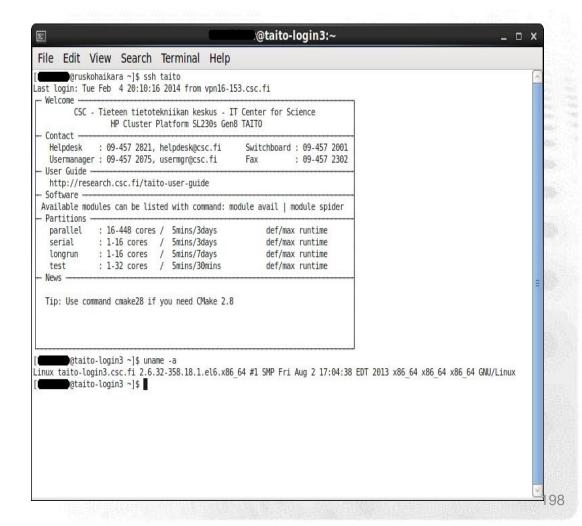


- A shell is a program which provides the traditional, text-only user interface for Linux (and other Unix like systems)
- Shell's primary function is to read commands that are typed into a console or terminal window and then execute them.

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What is shell cont., bash on Taito

- Text shell: Terminal with a set of commands
- Different flavors
 - bash (default)
 - tcsh (old default)
 - zsh,
 - corn-shell, ...





bash and tcsh comparison

	bash	tcsh	invoking	bash output	tcsh output
Shell variables	x=2	set x = 2	echo \$x	2	2
Env. variables	export z=3	setenv z 3	echo \$z	3	3
PATH	export PATH=/ a:/b	set path=(/a /b)	echo \$path; echo \$PATH;	- /a:/b	/a /b /a:/b
Aliases	alias Is="Is -I"	alias Is "Is -I"	ls	same as Is -I	same as Is –I
Command prompt	PS1=abc-	set prompt=a bc-	[ENTER]	abc-	abc-
Redirection	prog > ofile 2> efile	(prog > ofile) >& efile	[ENTER]	stdout -> ofile stderr -> efile	stdout -> ofile stderr -> efile



Shell commands

- A command is an instruction given by a user telling a computer to do something, e.g.:
 - run a single program
 - run a group of linked programs
- Commands are generally issued by typing them in at the command line and then pressing the ENTER key, which passes them to the shell



Commands cont.

Structure of a command:

```
command -option [optional input]
```

- Examples
 - apropos list
 - ls -1
 - clear
 - finger username (Taito)
 - finger -m username (Sisu)



Is

- Prints names of files in current directory
- Prints contents of a directory, if given as *Is directory*
- Only print filenames matching a wildcard expression
 - -ls *.txt
- Option -/ gives more info
- May find useful on Taito and Sisu
 - -ls-lrt (reverse time ordered)
 - Is -d /* --color=tty (list directories, colorize the output)



mkdir [directory]

- Make a new directory
- -p to not complain about already existing directory and to make missing parent directories as needed

cd [directory]

- Change the current working directory
- cd.. to go up a directory

mv [source] [dest]

- Moves files or directories
- Can also rename files

rm [file]

- Removes files (be careful!)
- -r to remove a directory recursively
- -f to force removal (be supercareful!)
- Sometimes, e.g., on Taito, alias: rm = 'rm -i'



find [directory] [options]

- Finds files in a directory and it's subdirectories that match the criteria given with the options
- Common use case, find files with certain names in the current directory:

find . -name '*.c' -print



grep -e 'searchterm' [files]

- Search for matching lines inside files
- -i for case insensitive
- -n to print line numbers

pwd



Print the current working directory

cat [file]

- Prints contents of file to screen
- cat -n to precede lines with line numbers



less [file]

- Opens a scrollable view of a file
- q to quit
- / to search forward, ? to search backwards
- n to find the next match, N for previous
- Some people prefer more [file], it allows to scroll down, but not up



man [command]

Show the manual of command in less

cp [source] [destination]

- Copy a file
- -r to copy recursively a directory and its contents
- -v for verbose

scp [source] [dest]



- Like cp, but used for remote transfer
- For example: scp my_file user@taito.csc.fi:'/absolute/path/to/dir'

rsync [source] [dest]

- Fast, versatile tool, remote and local usage
- E.g.: rsync my_file taito.csc.fi:

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tar [commands] [file]

- Versatile tool used most in two ways
 - tar xvf some_file.tar
 - Extracts from file some_file.tar the contents of the archive verbosely
 - tar cvf my_files.tar my_dir/
 - Creates verbosely a new archive in file my_files.tar from the directory my_dir/
 - tar cvzf my_files.tar.gz my_dir/
 - Apply gzip (i.e., compress the tar archive)

wget URL



- Used to download files from the internet without a graphical browser such as Firefox or Chrome
- For example: wget http://ftp.gnu.org/gnu/hello/hello-2.7.tar.gz to download the gnu program hello

Selected Taito aliases



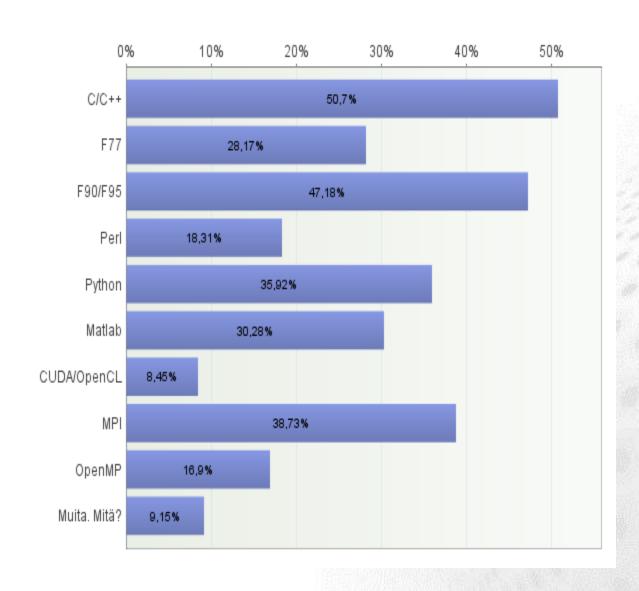
- Type alias to get the full list
 - alias chsh='/usr/alt/uadm2/bin/chsh'
 - alias mv='mv -i'
 - alias passwd='/usr/alt/uadm2/bin/passwd'
 - alias quota='/etc/profile.d/csc/csc-quota.bash'
 - alias sj='scontrol show job'
 - alias sn='scontrol show node'
 - alias vi='vim'

What is a program?



- A program is a sequence of instructions understandable by a computer's central processing unit (CPU) that indicates which operations the computer should perform
 - Ready-to-run programs are stored as executable files
 - An executable file is a file that has been converted from source code into machine code, by a specialized program called a compiler

Programming languages at supercomputers



gcc [source files] [-o prog]



- Compiles C source files into a program
- -o to give the name of the program, defaults to a.out
- -c to compile into .o -files



Compiling and installing programs

- For most programs, the three commands to compile and install in directory /home/user/programs are: ./configure --prefix=/home/user/programs make make install
- make will be discussed in detail later today
- Common destination: \$USERAPPL

More useful tools



- head
- tail
- WC
- which
- time
- ps
- top

- touch
- sed
- sort
- · uniq
- cut
- paste
- awk

Use case: set command prompt on Taito

- 1) Edit your profile file, e.g., with vi or nano
- vi .profile add:
- export
 PS1='\[\033[1;30m\]\u\[\033[0m\]@\[\
 033[1;34m\]\h\[\033[0m\]:[\w]# '
- 2) Apply changes
- source .profile



Using NoMachine Remote Desktop



Direct ssh connection – Unix/Linux

- From UNIX/Linux/OSX command line
- Use –X (or –Y) to enable remote graphics*

```
ssh -X yourid@taito.csc.fi
```

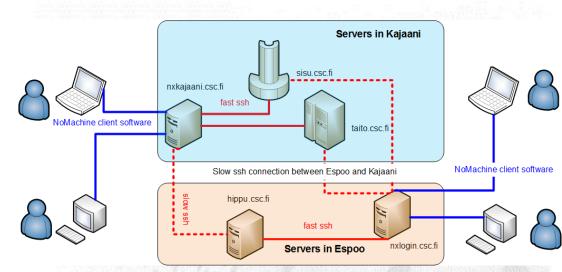
ssh -l yourid -Y taito.csc.fi

^{*} In Windows you'd also need a windows emulator, but there is a better way



NoMachine Remote Desktop

- Client connection between user and gateway
- Good performance even with slow network
- Ssh from gateway to server (fast if local)
- Connect to right gateway
 - nxkajaani.csc.fi
 - nxlogin.csc.fi
- Persistent connection
- Suspendable
 - Continue later at another location
- Read the instructions...
 - ssh-key, keyboard layout, mac specific workarounds, ...
- Choose an application or server to use (right click)





Bunch of files use case:

You have received a bunch of files from a colleague, describing a glacier. They are in the directory "data". Your mission is to make sense of it all, in a possibly unfamiliar environment called bash.

Your team will consist of two veteran agents **Google** and **man**. As usual, ask for help form the friendly locals (person next to you and instructors) to succeed in the mission.



Part 1. The files in general

How many files is there?
How big are they in kilobytes?
Are they small enough to be emailed?
How about copying over Internet by some other means?
What means there is to move or share files?
How many lines and words is there in them?

Part 1. The files in general



```
Simple commands do the job:
$ cd data
$Is
bed.txt README stake_positions.txt surface.txt thick.txt
$ ls -lh
total 812K
-rw-r--r-- 1 svali-user svali-user 271K Apr 26 13:11 bed.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 svali-user svali-user 364 Apr 26 13:11 README
-rw-r--r-- 1 svali-user svali-user 150 Apr 26 13:12 stake_positions.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 svali-user svali-user 267K Apr 26 13:11 surface.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 svali-user svali-user 263K Apr 26 13:11 thick.txt
$ wc -lw *
 231 46431 bed.txt
  12 63 README
  10
        20 stake_positions.txt
 231 46431 surface.txt
 231 46431 thick.txt
 715 139376 total
```



Part 1. The files in general

Also try:

\$ file *

bed.txt: ASCII text, with very long lines

README: ASCII English text

stake_positions.txt: ASCII text

surface.txt: ASCII text, with very long lines

thick.txt: ASCII text, with very long lines

\$ less README

\$ less bed.txt



Let's filter the numbers in the files so that you can calculate meaningful characteristics of the data. For example:

What are the minimum and maximum values in bed.txt?

Notice the null values -99.0

Data does not need to be kept in matrix format to calculate minimum and maximum

use the pipes, cat, tr, grep, sort (because data is not that big)



Let' pipe the data to tr, which can replace characters with other characters (like space " " with the end of line "\n")

\$ cat bed.txt | tr ' ' \n' | less

Now there is one value per line (and if you look closely, we accidentally inserted some blank lines, too).

Let's remove null values and blank lines with grep and regular expressions.

\$ cat bed.txt | tr ' '\n' | grep -v -e '-99.0' -e '^\$' | less Then sort the numbers and put them into a file.

\$ mkdir -p ~/tmp

\$ cat bed.txt | tr ' '\n' | grep -v -e '-99.0' -e '^\$'| sort -n > ~/tmp/bed.values



Now that the numbers are ordered, it is pretty easy to see the maximum and the minimum

\$ head -1 ~/tmp/bed.values 44.1 \$ head -1 ~/tmp/bed.values 644.2

Let's next sum the values in file thick.txt. That would be very close to actually calculating the volume of the glacier, right?

Let's first extract the values, one value per line, the same thing as we did to bed.txt.

\$ cat thick.txt | tr ' '\n' | grep -v -e '-99.0' -e '^\$'| sort -n > ~/tmp/thick.values



Now, enter awk!

\$ awk '{sum+=\$1}END{print sum}' ~/tmp/thick.values 983583

What happened? Uh, a lot. Awk is a programming language, that reads files, line by line

for each line matching the condition, it applies commands in the curly braces {} after the condition. If there is no condition before the {}, those commands are applied to all lines. BEGIN and END are special conditions. The commands in them are executed before and after any/all lines are read, respectively.

The fields in the lines can be referenced using \$0 (all fields), \$1 (the first field), \$2 (the second field), etc.



What about the volume of the ice in the glacier? The grid size dx=20m, so the volume is

\$ bc -l << "983583*20*20" 393433200

Average thickness is also easy to calculate (NR is one of the special variables in awk, it tells the number of lines read so far).

\$ awk '{sum+=\$1}END{print sum/NR}' ~/tmp/thick.values 75.4224

And so is the median (because we sorted the values).

\$ wc -l ~/tmp/thick.values

13041 /home/svali-user/tmp/thick.values

\$ awk 'NR == int(13041/2){print \$1}' ~/tmp/thick.values 73.2



In order to visualize the data, we often need to filter it, or change the format. I have written two commands, elop, that can be used to manipulate matrix formatted data, and txt2xyz, that transforms data in matrix format to data in xyz-format understood by gnuplot. Let's first have a small look at how shell scripts (the commands above are written as shell scripts), and interactive shell interpreter work. Very simplified:

- 1.shell reads files (or standard input) line by line as awk
- 2.shell replaces variables (\$variable, etc.) by their value
- 3.shell interprets the first word of each "block" as a command (or alias or function), rest of the words are arguments to the command



For example, elop:

```
$ cat ../bin/elop #!/bin/bash
```

```
function usage {
 echo 'Usage: cat M0.txt | ./elop EXPRESSION [M1] [M2] ...'
 echo
 echo 'Reads matrix M0 from stdin, modifies each element according to the'
 echo 'expression, and writes the resulting matrix to stdout. The matrix'
 echo 'M0 elements are referred using m[0] in the EXPRESSION. elop accepts'
 echo 'optional files containing matrixes M1, M2, ... which elements'
 echo 'can be referred in EXPRESSION using m[1] and m[2], etc.'
 echo
 echo ' Examples:'
 echo
 echo '1\) Multiply each element of the matrix by 10'
 echo '
          cat M0.txt | ./matoper "m[0]*10"
 echo
 echo '2\) Find out which elements in M0 are larger than corresponding
 echo '
         elements in matrix M1'
          cat M0.txt | ./matoper "m[0] > m[1]" M1.txt'
 echo '
 echo
 echo '3\) Multiply the elements of matrix M0 and M1, and add the elements'
        in M2'
 echo '
          cat M0.txt | ./matoper "m[0] * m[1] + m[2]" M1.txt M2.txt'
 echo '
 echo
```

First line tells that this is a bash, so use bash to interpret the rest of it.

Second line starts a function definition. This function is defined only inside the script, and only prints out usage instructions.



```
case $# in
0)
 usage
 exit
 n=$#
 expression=$1
 shift
 paste - $@ | awk "
  for(i=1;i<=NF/$n;i++){
   for(j=0;j<\$n;j++)
     m[j]=\(i+NF/\$n*j)
  printf \"\n\"
```

esac

\$# expands to the number of the arguments for the script. If there is none, print usage and exit script.

By default, put the number of arguments to variable n, the first argument to variable expression, "move arguments one step to left" and paste stardard input with the files given as arguments to awk.

Paste concatenates files "side by side", printf \"%s \",\$expression other.



We need to do two things to use the file ../bin/elop as a command

- 1.give the script execution permissions
- 2.add the location of the script to the search path of our command line interpreter
- \$ chmod u+x ../bin/elop
- \$ export PATH=\${PATH}:\${PWD}/../bin



```
Let's check that "surface - bed = thick" really, with for example
$ cat surface.txt | elop '(m[1]>0)*( m[0] - m[1] - m[2] )' thick.txt
bed.txt | less
Now, the elop-script that I presented, is already far from simple. Try
understanding it little by little. To see what "$#" and "shift" in the
script do, write a little test script:
$ emacs ../bin/mytest &
$ cat ../bin/mytest
#!/bin/bash
echo "Number of arguments: $#"
shift
echo "Number of arguments after shift: $#"
$ chmod u+x ../bin/mytest
```

\$ mytest arg1 arg2 arg3



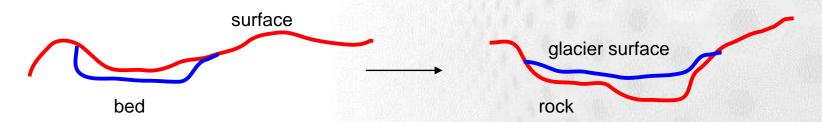
Part 4. Visualize it!

File surface.txt contains the surface, whether it be rock surface or glacier surface. File bed.txt gives the interface between the glacier and rock. It would make a better picture if we would have the rock surface, would it be under the glacier or not, and the surface of the glacier. That small elop command may be of help now;)

```
$ cat surface.txt | elop '(m[1]>0)*m[1] + (m[1]<0)*m[0]' bed.txt > ~/tmp/rock.txt
```

\$ cat surface.txt | elop '(m[1]>0)*m[0] + (m[1]<0)*(-99.0)' bed.txt > ~/tmp/glacier_surface.txt

Great!





Part 4. Visualize it!

Next, we pick a visualization program: gnuplot
Gnuplot can draw lines in 3D. The lines are given in xyz-format.

Xyz-format has three values on each line, x-, y-, and z-coordinates
of points, and blank lines separating each line segment.

I wrote a small command to do the transform, ../bin/txt2xyz, let's first
have a look how it works and then what's inside the script.

\$ cat ~/tmp/glacier_surface.txt | txt2xyz > ~/tmp/glacier_surface.xyz
\$ cat ~/tmp/rock.txt | txt2xyz > ~/tmp/rock.xyz

```
#!/bin/bash
```

Transform grid formatted data to xyz-formatted data



```
# Coordinates of the SW-corner xmin=434000 ymin=8756400
```

Part 4. Visualize it!

Grid spacing dx=20# 1. Put the matrix formatted data into pipe last line first with tac # 2. With awk 2.1 Add a blank line in front of every line to separate lines drawn by gnuplot, i.e. draw lines in x-direction 2.2 loop over all elements in the row 2.3 for each element, print its x-, y-, and z-coordinates, if the matrix element value is positive, otherwise, print a blank line. # This is to allow discontinuous lines in the x-direction. # 3. remove excessive blank lines with cat -s tac - | awk "

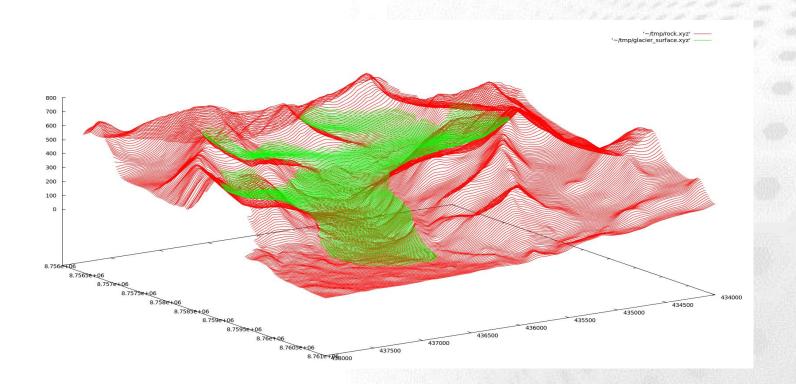
```
{
  printf \"\n\"
  for(i=1;i<=NF;i++){
    if(\$i>0){
     printf \"%s %s %s\n\",$xmin+(i-1)*$dx,$ymin+(NR-1)*$dx,\$i
    } else {
     printf \"\n\"
    }
}" | cat -s
```



Part 4. Visualize it!

Then, let's draw the plot \$ gnuplot

> splot '~/tmp/rock.xyz' w I, '~/tmp/glacier_surface.xyz' w I





File stake_positions.txt has the x- and y-coordinates of the stakes. We'd like to plot them in the picture, too. But, there is no z-coordinate...

Let's take the z-coordinate from the surface data. The problem is that the stakes are not at the grid points, and we need to interpolate the z-coordinate value at stake positions. Proper interpolation starts to be a job that might be better done using more specialized software or compiled programming language. But, for the sake of exercise, let's have a look at a small script that I wrote to do a very simple interpolation:)

\$ less zinterp



```
#!/bin/bash
dx=20
function usage {
 echo 'usage: cat xy-data.txt | zinterp xyz-data.xyz'
 echo
 echo 'Interpolate z values from xyz-data.xyz to points in'
 echo 'xy-data.txt using the value closest to xy-point'
 echo 'in xyz-data.xyz.'
 echo
 echo 'File xy-data.txt contains two values (x- and y-coordinate)'
 echo 'per line, and file xyz-data.xyz contains three values'
 echo '(x-, y-, and z-coordinates). Output is in xyz-format.'
 echo
```

```
case $# in
 cat - $1 | awk -v dx=$dx '
 BEGIN {
  n = 0
 NF == 2 {
  n++
  x[n]=$1
  y[n]=$2
  z[n]=-99.0
  d[n]=dx^2+dx^2+1
 NF == 3 {
  for(i=1;i<=n;i++) {
    I = (x[i]-\$1)^2 + (y[i]-\$2)^2
    if(I < d[i])
     d[i] = I
     z[i] = $3
 END {
  for(i=1;i<=n;i++) {
    print x[i],y[i],z[i]
 usage
 exit
esac
```



Notice how we pass a variable to awk

- 1.First collect all stake positions and initialize z-value to "null" and distance d to a value large, but not too large
- 2.Read in the xyz-coordinate. Check if it is close to the any of the stake positions. If it is closer than any before it, use the z-value for stake position z-value.
- 3. Print the result



Let's see how it works:

- \$ cat data/stake_positions.txt | zinterp ~/tmp/surface.xyz >
- ~/tmp/stake_positions.xyz
- \$ gnuplot
- > splot '~/tmp/rock.xyz' w l, '~/tmp/glacier_surface.xyz' w l,
- '~/tmp/stake_positions.xyz' w p

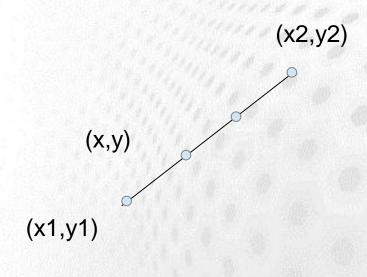


And last, we would like to plot the thickness of the glacier along the path spanned by the stakes. To make it simple, the path will consist of straight line segments between the stakes, and the thickness is plotted at about constant interval (d=20m) along the path. The script generates a list of points along the path, including the stake positions. \$ less bin/pathinterp #!/bin/bash d = 20function usage { echo 'usage: cat xy-data.txt | pathinterp' echo echo 'Interpolate evenly spaced xy-values between points.' echo echo 'File xy-data.txt contains two values (x- and y-coordinate)' echo 'per line' echo

```
case $# in
0)
 cat - | awk -v d=$d '
 NR == 1
  x1 = $1
  y1 = $2
  print x1,y1
 NR != 1 {
  x2 = $1
  y2 = $2
  n = int(sqrt((x2-x1)^2+(y2-x1)^2)
y1)^2)/d)
  dx=(x2-x1)/n
  dy=(y2-y1)/n
  for (i=1;i<n;i++) {
   x = x1+i*dx
   y = y1+i*dy
    printf "%f %f\n",x,y
  print x2, y2
  x1 = x2
  y1 = y2
 usage
 exit
esac
```



Let's assume that the stake positions are in correct order





With the extended list of points, and thickness in xyz-format, we run zinterp, and plot the result.

- \$ txt2xyz < data/thick.txt > ~/tmp/thick.xyz
- \$ pathinterp < data/stake_positions.txt > ~/tmp/path.txt
- \$ cat ~/tmp/path.txt | zinterp ~/tmp/thick.xyz > ~/tmp/path_thick.xyz
- \$ gnuplot
- > splot '~/tmp/path_thick.xyz' w impulses, '~/tmp/path.txt' using 1:2:(0), 'data/stake_positions.txt' using 1:2:(0)



Congratulations!

- That's all!
- No, not really ;)
- Continue by making small modifications to the example scripts. Especially the plots could be prettier.
- Write your own command line filters and scripts.
 They do not need to be perfect in the beginning...
 or later:)
- Always, visualize your data!



Computational physics using GPUs and Xeon Pihs

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Outline

- What is a GPU and what is a Xeon Phi?
- Why and when should you use them ?
- How can they be programmed ?
- Demo
- Advanced usage





Your average CPU

- Fairly good at everything
- Excellent at single threaded work
 - Out of order execution
 - High clock rates, 3.5 GHZ and beyond
- Multicore with shared memory
 - Up to 18 cores
- Vector instructions
 - 256 bit registers with Advanced Vector Instructions
 AVX





What is a GPU and a Xeon Phi

- Floating point computation accelerators
- Many cores
- Some do vector instructions
- Additional PCI-e cards that need to be added to a host
- They are only good for certain types of jobs
 - Massively data parallel
 - Not control bound
 - Vectorized or vectorizable code







What are they II

GPU

- Two vendors: NVIDIA and AMD
- Streaming architectures
- Large core count, 2000+
 - Organized into larger units
- Very little cache memory
 - ~40 byte per CUDA core on Nvidia

Xeon Phi

- Evolution of Intel's GPU architecture
- More like a "normal" CPU
 - X87 FPU
- Large L2 cache
- 512 bit vector instructions





Reasons to use computational accelerators

Reason #1

- Tianhe-2 (MilkyWay-2)
- #1 on Top500
- 33.9 Pflop/s
- 16000 computer nodes
 - two Intel Ivy Bridge Xeon processors
 - three Xeon Phi cards

Reason #2

- Titan Cray XK7
- #2 on Top500
- 17.6 Pflop/s
- 18688 computer nodes
 - One 16-core AMD Opteron
 - One Nvidia Tesla K20X GPU

 $1 \text{ Pflop/s} = 10^15 \text{ flop/s}$



More realistic reasons ...

GPUs

- Cheap
 - 300-600 € for a normal graphics processor
 - 2-6000 € for a dedicated GPGPU
- Performance
 - 4-6 Tflop single precision
 - 1+ Tflop double precision
- Excellent way of adding performance to existing computers
- Massive internal memory bandwidth

Xeon Phi

- X86 compatible
 - Programs need to be recompiled
- "Easy" to program
- Performance
 - 2+ Tflop single precision
 - 1+ Tflop double precision
- Massive memory bandwidth
- Tricky to build a Xeon Phi system

Taito node:

0,324 Tflop DP

0,649 Tflop SP





Programming

GPUs

- CUDA
 - Nvidia only
 - Like C
- OpenACC
 - Nvidia only for now..
 - Directive based
- OpenCL
 - Like CUDA but cross platform

Xeon Phi

- Native
 - Run code only on the device
- Offload
 - Directive based
 - OpenMP 4.0 offload
- OpenCL
 - Existing OpenCL code will work





Programming II

- Main issues when programming
 - Data movements between host and card
 - "Any order execution" there are no guarantees that threads are executed in a certain order
 - Optimizing it for the accelerator
- Next a few examples





Basic example with OpenMP

- Basic code example parallelized with OpenMP
- Simple vector addition
- 100000000 elements
- Computation runtime on an Intel Ivy Bridge i7-3770k:
 - 0.0653523 sec with 8 threads
 - 0.124101 sec with 1 thread

```
int main()
 2
 3
        int count = 1000000000;
 4
        float *A = new float[count];
        float *B = new float[count];
        float *C = new float[count];
 6
        for (int i = 0; i < count; ++i)
            A[i] = i;
 9
             B[i] = count - i;
10
11
    #pragma omp parallel for
12
        for (int i = 0; i < count; ++i)</pre>
13
14
             C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
15
16
17
```



OpenACC

- Similar to the OpenMP version
- Replace #omp pragmas with equivalent OpenAcc versions
- Computational runtime on an Nividia K20:
 - 0.00935793 sec
 - 0.452739 sec with data transfers
- PGI, CAPS, Cray compiler support

```
int main()
        int count = 100000000;
        float *A = new float[count];
        float *B = new float[count];
        float *C = new float[count];
        for (int i = 0; i < count; ++i)
                                                  Move data
 9
            A[i] = i;
            B[i] = count - i;
10
11
12
    #pragma acc data copyin(A[0:count],B[0:count]) copyout(C[0:count])
13
                                                      Offload to GPU
14
    #pragma acc parallel loop
15
            for (int i = 0; i < count; ++i)
                                                   Segment executed
16
                                                   on the GPU
                C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
17
18
19
20
21
```



Simple CUDA example

- Computational runtime on an Nividia K20:
 - 0.00845494 sec
 - 0.456792 sec with data transfers
- Code is compiled with nvcc compiler that is part of NVIDIA's software development toolkit

```
global void kernel(float *A, float *B, float *C, int count)
 2
        int i = (blockIdx.x*blockDim.x)+threadIdx.x;
                                                             Code
        if (i >= count)
            return;
                                                             executed on
        C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
                                                             the GPU
 8
    int main()
10
11
        int count = 1000000000;
        float *A = new float[count];
12
        float *B = new float[count];
13
        float *C = new float[count];
14
        float *A dev, *B dev, *C dev;
15
16
        cudaMalloc((void**)&A_dev, sizeof(float)*count);
                                                              Allocate
17
        cudaMalloc((void**)&B dev, sizeof(float)*count);
18
                                                              memory on
        cudaMalloc((void**)&C dev, sizeof(float)*count);
19
                                                              the GPU
20
        for (int i = 0; i < count; ++i)
21
22
23
            A[i] = i;
                                             Set threadblock and grid size
            B[i] = count - i;
24
25
        dim3 thread;
26
27
        dim3 grid;
                                                                 Transfer data
28
        thread.x=256;
                                                                 to the device
        grid.x=1+(count/thread.x);
29
30
        cudaMemcpy(A dev, A, sizeof(float)*count, cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
31
        cudaMemcpy(B_dev, B, sizeof(float)*count, cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
32
33
        kernel<<<grid,thread>>>(A dev,B dev,C dev, count); <
34
                                                                  Start kernel
35
36
        cudaMemcpy(C, C dev, sizeof(float)*count, cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost);
37
                            Transfer data
                            to the host
```



CUDA unified memory example

- Introduced in Cuda 6.0
- Simplifies data movement between host and device
- Will not speed up code and there are cases where it will give worse performance
- Copile with "nvcc -gencode arch=compute_35,code=sm_35"
- Only works on newer cards

```
global void kernel(float *A, float *B, float *C, int count)
                                                             Code
         int i = (blockIdx.x*blockDim.x)+threadIdx.x;
                                                             executed on
         if (i >= count)
             return;
                                                             the GPU
         C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
 6
7
8
    int main()
                                              Allocate memory
10
11
         int count = 1000000000;
                                              for the host and the
12
         float *A:
                                              GPU
         float *B;
13
14
         float *C;
15
         cudaMallocManaged((void**)&A, sizeof(float)*count);
16
         cudaMallocManaged((void**)&B, sizeof(float)*count);
17
         cudaMallocManaged((void**)&C, sizeof(float)*count);
18
19
         for (int i = 0; i < count; ++i)</pre>
20
                                                Use A, B pointers in
21
22
             A[i] = i;
                                                host code
             B[i] = count - i;
23
24
25
         dim3 thread;
         dim3 grid;
26
                                                    Set threadblock and grid size
27
         thread.x=256;
         grid.x=1+(count/thread.x);
28
29
         kernel<<<grid,thread>>>(A,B,C, count);
30
                                                       Start kernel, with A, B, C
         cudaDeviceSynchronize();
31
32
                                                       pointers
                                             Svnc device before data
                                             is used on the host
```



Xeon Phi offload

- Computational runtime on an Intel Xeon Phi 5110P
 - 0.118713 sec
- Room for further optimizations
- Easy to get running, hard to get running well
- Compiled normally with the Intel compiler

```
int main()
            int count = 1000000000;
            float *A = new float[count];
            float *B = new float[count];
 6
            float *C = new float[count];
 7
            for (int i = 0; i < count; ++i)
 8
                                                 Move data & offload
 9
                    A[i] = i;
10
                    B[i] = count - i;
11
12
    #pragma offload target(mic) in(A,B:length(count)) inout(C:length(count))
13
14
                                             Ingonre dependencies
    #pragma omp parallel for
15
16
    #pragma ivdep
                    for (int i = 0; i < count; ++i)
17
                                                          Segment executed
18
                            C[i] = A[i] + B[i];
                                                          on the Phi
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```



Xeon Phi native

- Xeon Phi's "party piece"
- Compile with Intel's compiler and –mmic flag
- Log in to the card with ssh
- Run on the Xeon Phi card!





Demo

- Port a simple N-body solver
- True O(n^2) complexity
- Not really tuned for any specific architecture
- Should however give a decent performance
- Parallelized per particle
 - Calculate all the forces on a particle
 - One particle per iteration of a the parallel loop
 - Update the position and velocity of each particle



Xeon Phi native

- Ssh into taito.csc.fi then ssh to m1
- Do a "module purge"
- Then "module load intel/15"
- Code is in: NbodyNative
- Have a look in the makefile
 - Set architecture to be mic
- Recompile and run
 - "make"
 - "./solver" or "srun -n 1 -p mic -gres=mic:1 ./solver"
- (non CSC systems: ssh into mic0 and then run)
- No libpng, would need to be recompiled for the card



Xeon Phi offload

- Ssh into taito.csc.fi then ssh to m1
- Do a "module purge"
- Then "module load intel/15"
- Code is in: NbodyOffload
- All modifications are done to Solver.cpp
- Add a #pragma offload target (mic) in(var1, var2...:length(var lenght) inout(..) to the block that should be run on the accelerator
- Add __attribute__((target(mic))) before the declaration of any function that will be called from accelerator code
- Recompile and run
 - "make"
 - "./solver" or "srun -n 1 -p mic -gres=mic:1 ./solver"



Cuda

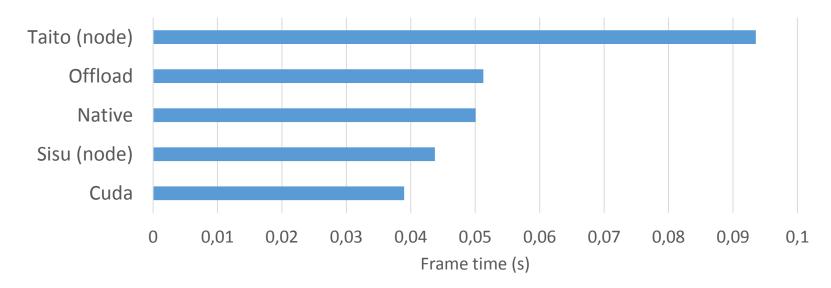
- Ssh into taito-gpu.csc.fi
- All modifications happen in Solver.cu located in NbodyCuda
- Allocate memory for dev_ pointers, copy the host memory to the corresponding pointers
- Add __device__ to declarations of functions to be run on the accelerator
- Add __global__ to your kernel functions, the ones you call from host code to be executed on the device
- Add calculations for getting the current thread id to the kernel functions
- Add launch parameters
- Compile and run
 - "make"
 - "srun -n 1 -p gpu -gres=gpu:1 ./solver"



Performance

Subject to change

- Taito node: 0.09354179 sec / frame
- Xeon phi offload: 0.051267 sec / frame
- Xeon phi native: 0.050066 sec / frame
- Sisu node: 0.043749 sec / frame
- Cuda: 0.038971 sec / frame





Optimization

- Xeon phi general
 - Vectorization
 - Cache behavior
 - Prefetching
- Xeon phi native
 - Memory alignment
- Cuda
 - More parallelism
 - In this case manually caching particles for reuse by other threads



Theoretical vs actual performance

- Theoretical floating point performance is measured using FMA (fused multiply add)
 - If your code cannot me structured for FMA performance can never get to more than 50% of theoretical
- Memory bandwidth
 - GPU
 - Able to get to 85++% of theoretical peek
 - Phi
 - Good if you get 50%





Multi node accelerated code

- Separate cards in the system
- Communication needs to go trough the host*
 - You need to move the data back
 - Xeon phi native you can just call MPI functions

*currently changing and there are systems where the accelerator and NIC can communicate without the host





Cuda and MPI

Normal workflow:

 Move data from host to device, pass device buffer to MPI

GPU aware MPI

 Give MPI the pointer to the data on the device, it will take care of the transfers

GPU Direct

 Give MPI the device pointer and the data will be moved from the device to the network without going trough the host





Summary

- Floating point accelerators
 - Cheap performance
- Surprisingly easy to program
 - Basically C
- Great performance



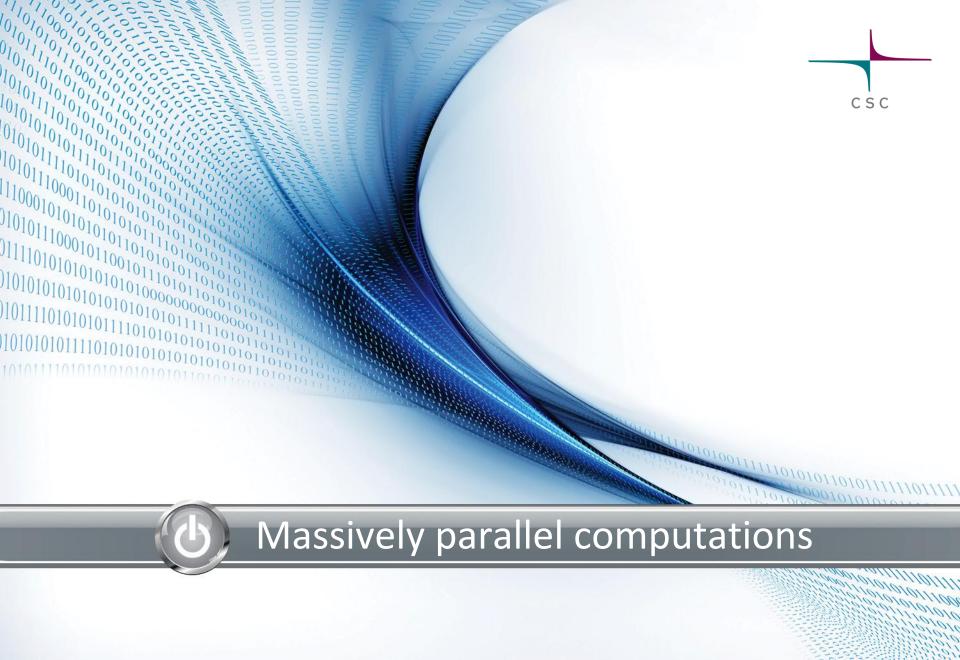


Thank you

Questions?

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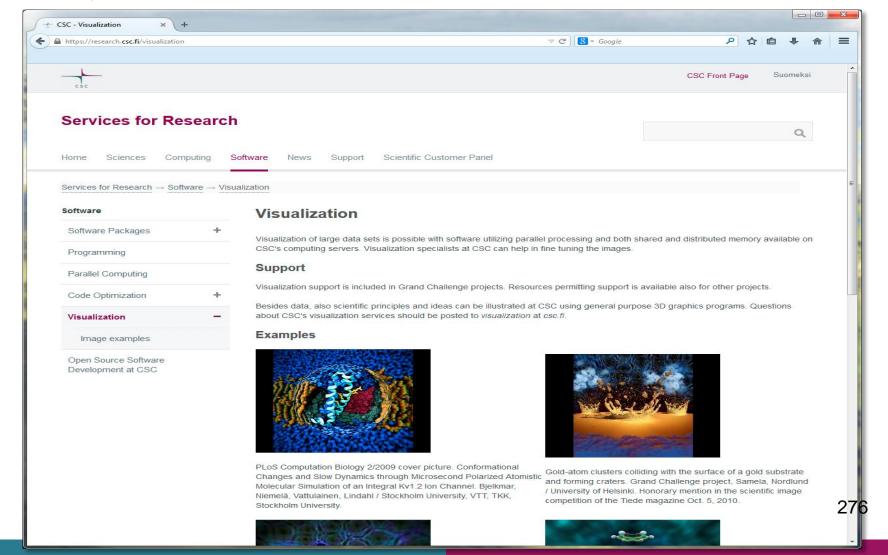




Visualization at CSC

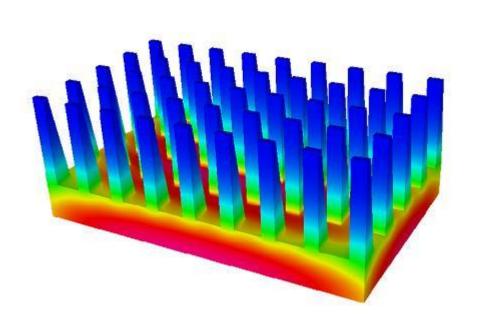
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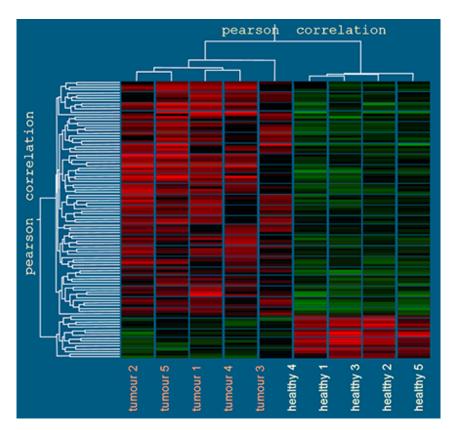
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Scientific visualization - Information visualization







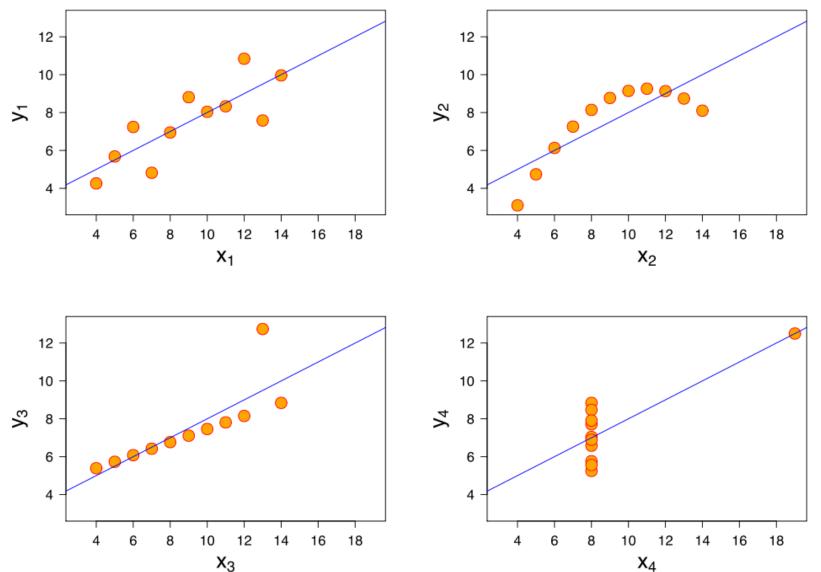
Anscombe's quartet example

Data sets I, II, III, IV have identical simple statistical properties (mean, variance, correlation, linear regression)

I		II		III		IV	
X	у	X	у	X	у	X	у
10.0	8.04	10.0	9.14	10.0	7.46	8.0	6.58
8.0	6.95	8.0	8.14	8.0	6.77	8.0	5.76
13.0	7.58	13.0	8.74	13.0	12.74	8.0	7.71
9.0	8.81	9.0	8.77	9.0	7.11	8.0	8.84
11.0	8.33	11.0	9.26	11.0	7.81	8.0	8.47
14.0	9.96	14.0	8.10	14.0	8.84	8.0	7.04
6.0	7.24	6.0	6.13	6.0	6.08	8.0	5.25
4.0	4.26	4.0	3.10	4.0	5.39	19.0	12.50
12.0	10.84	12.0	9.13	12.0	8.15	8.0	5.56
7.0	4.82	7.0	7.26	7.0	6.42	8.0	7.91
5.0	5.68	5.0	4.74	5.0	5.73	8.0	6.89

Always take a look at the data!



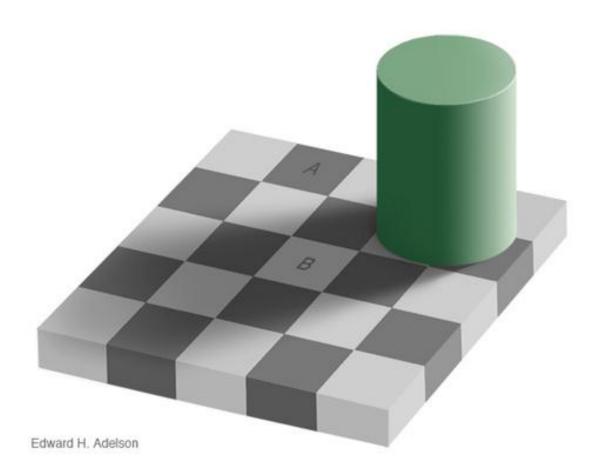


http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anscombe%27s_quartet

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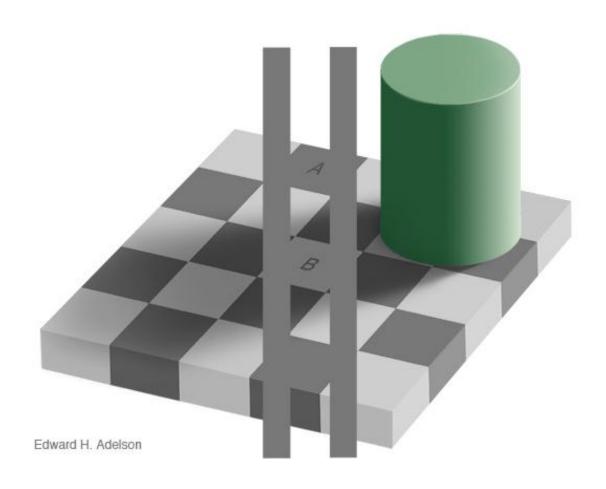
Be aware of "information processing"

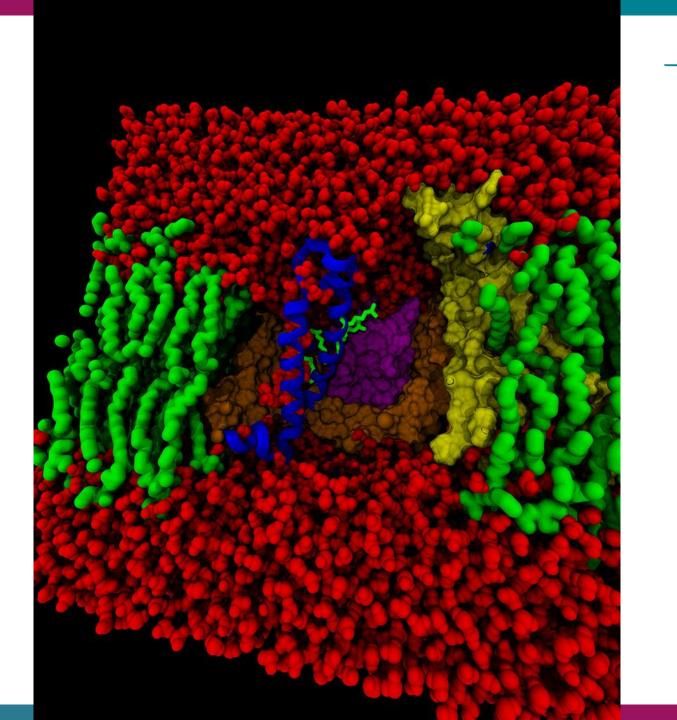




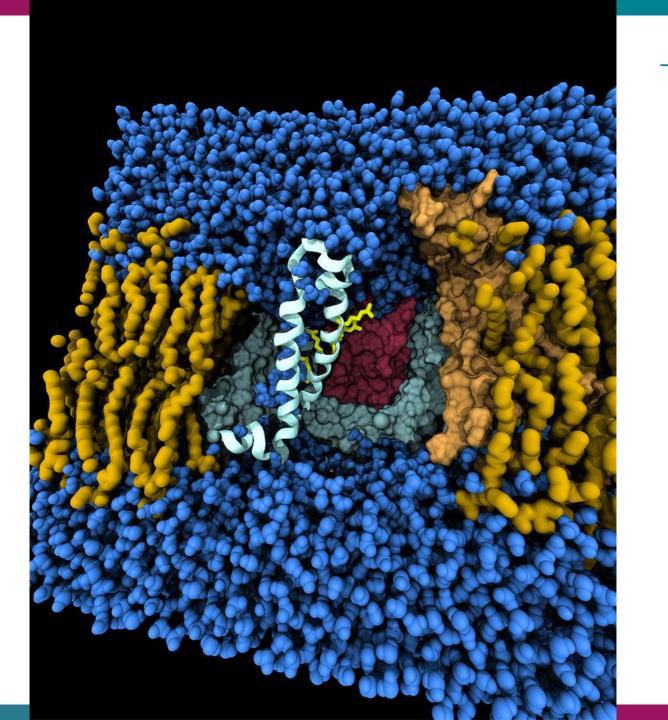
The squares marked A and B are the same shade of gray.



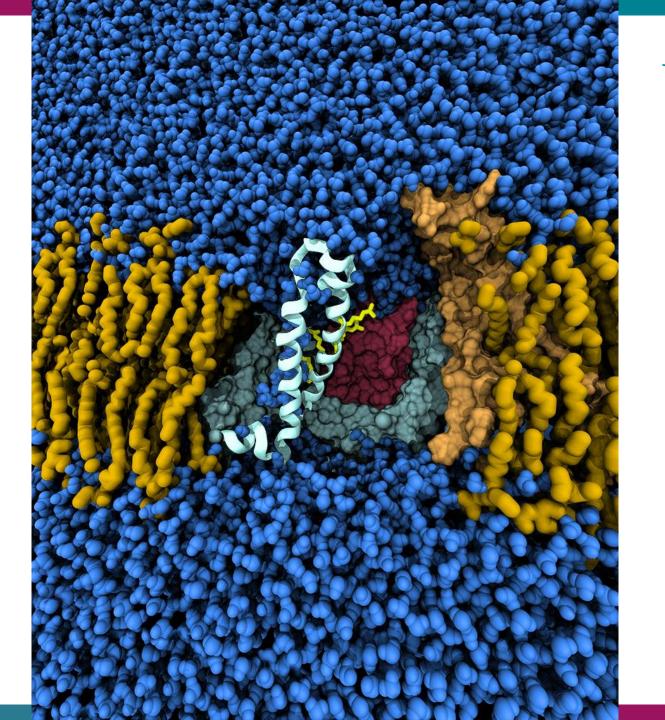




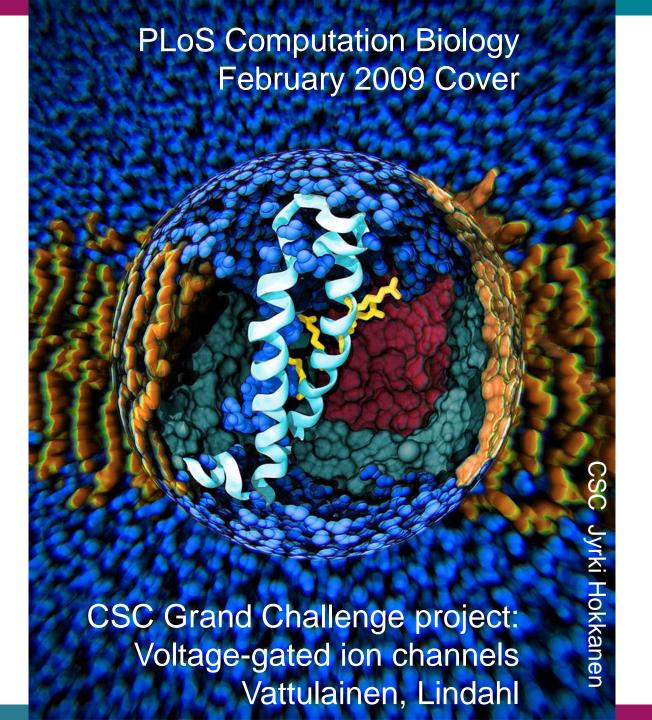
















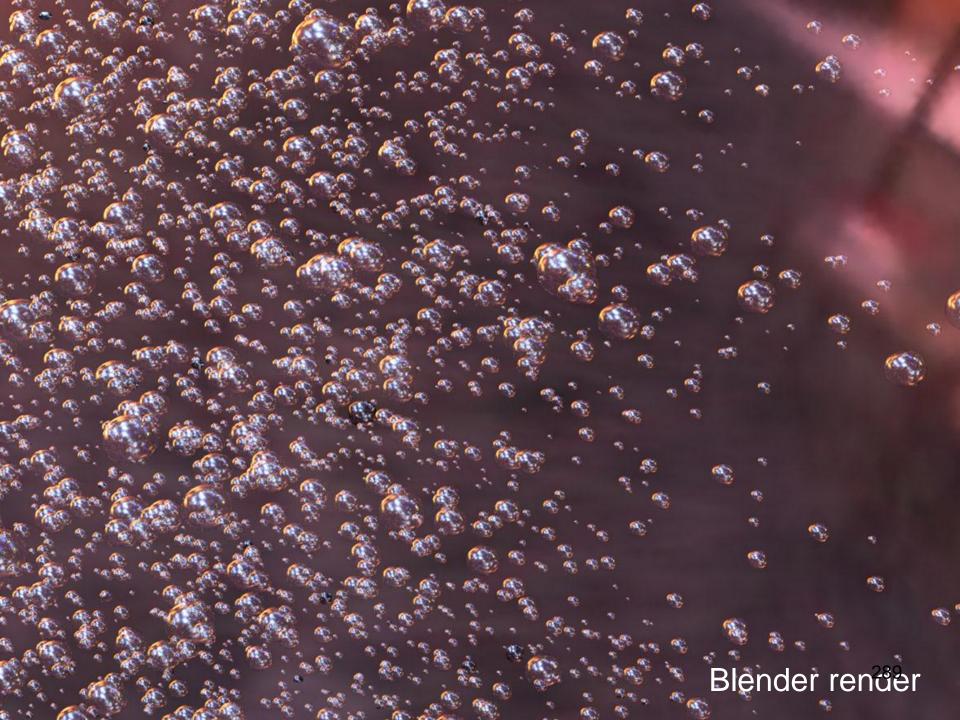
External rendering for extra impact

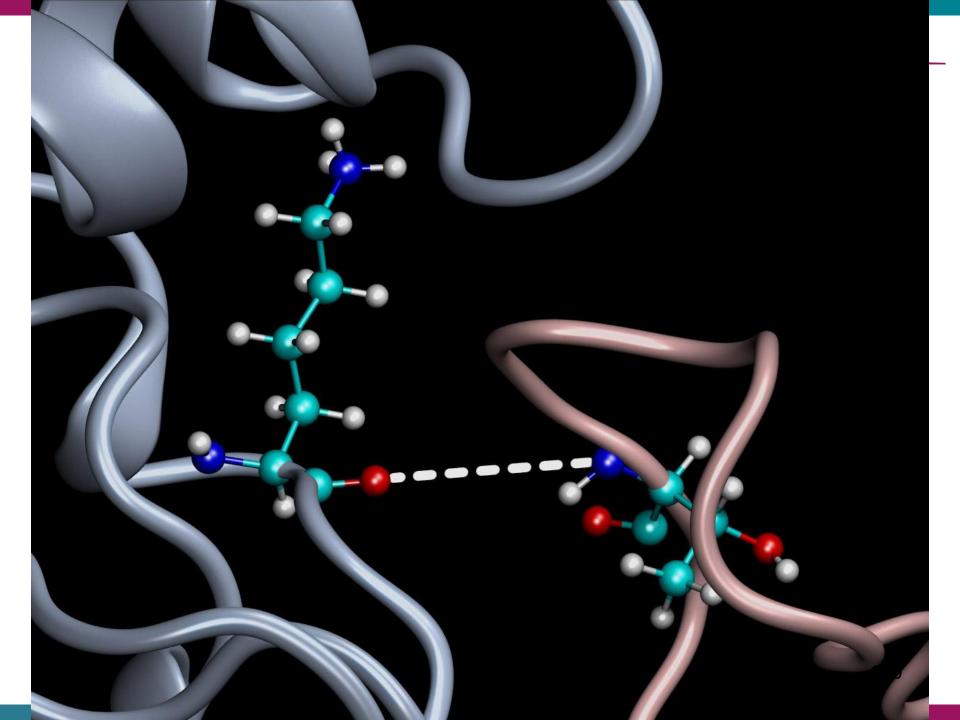
Export from scientific software, import to 3D-graphics application

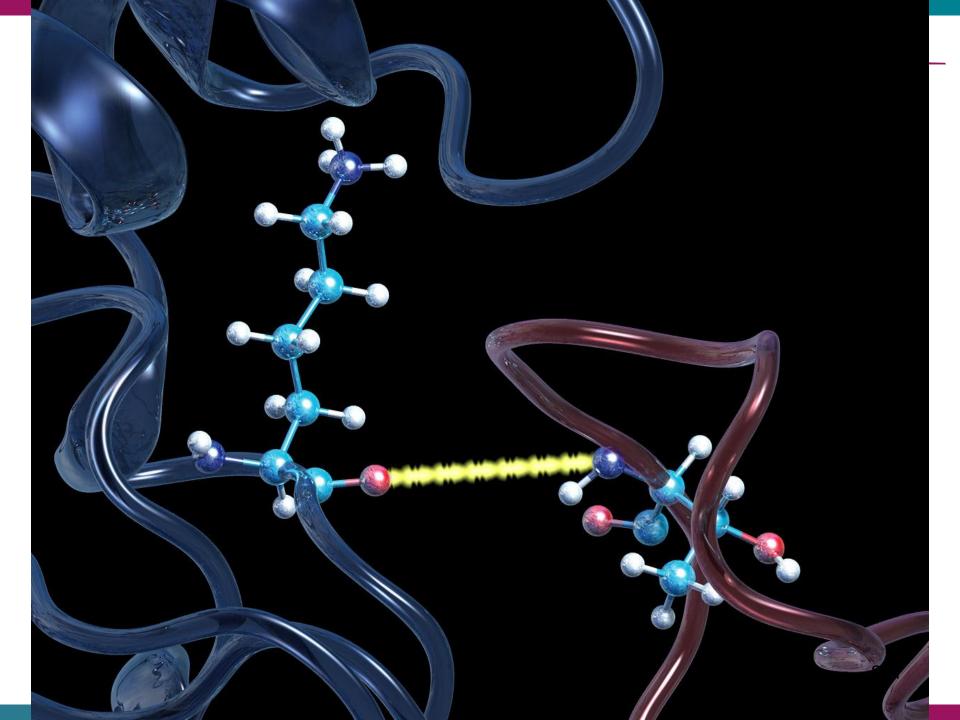
- most examples here rendered with free app Blender (blender.org)
- •is excessively versatile, has two internal and several plug-in renderers

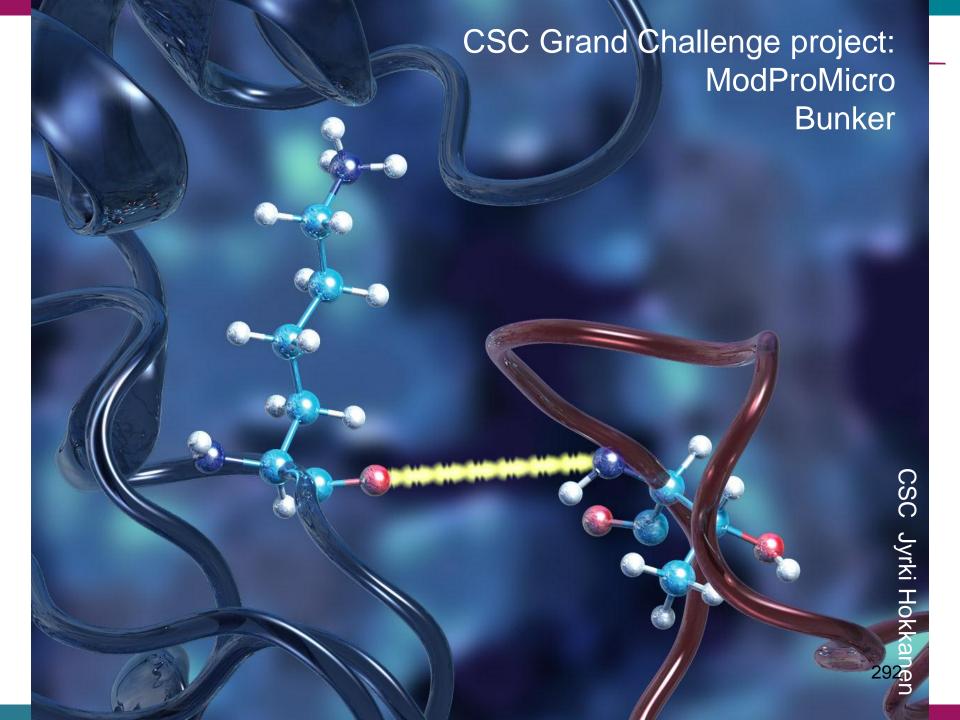
•POV-Ray is another widely used free stand alone renderer (povray.org)



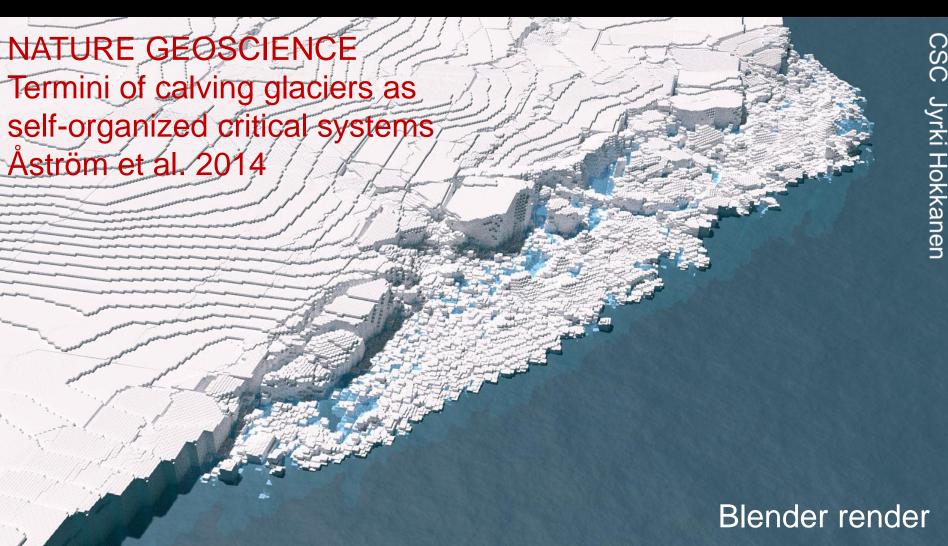














ParaView hands-on session



Our short ParaView session is an extract from The ParaView Tutorial

http://www.paraview.org/Wiki/The_ParaView_Tutorial

Links for further information:

The ParaView Users Guide http://www.paraview.org/Wiki/ParaView/Users_Guide/Table_Of_Contents

Comprehensive *ParaView wiki* http://paraview.org/Wiki/ParaView

Video *Introduction to ParaView* (1h 20min) https://vimeo.com/41009606

Search *ParaView users mailing list* http://paraview.markmail.org

ParaView on CSC's servers



Most people run ParaView locally on their desktop PC. You might want to use ParaView on CSC's servers if you need more power/memory or your big data sits on CSC's disks.

Information about ParaView installations on CSC servers https://research.csc.fi/-/paraview

Tips

- the old Hippu's were for interactive use, are about to be run down
- Taito-shell is the new Hippu, intended for interactive use
- Taito is for batch jobs but you can allocate time via SLURM for interactive use
- use NX for faster interactive graphics (https://research.csc.fi/-/nomachine)
- running ParaView in parallel mode via MPI is useful only if interaction is slow and your data is suitable for parallel tasks (is a structured file, for example)



Wrap-up of day 2 and concluding remarks