

# Using Multiple DAGS to Ensure Portability and Scalability in Large Scale Computation Using Uintah



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Message : Coding for an abstract graph interface provides portability



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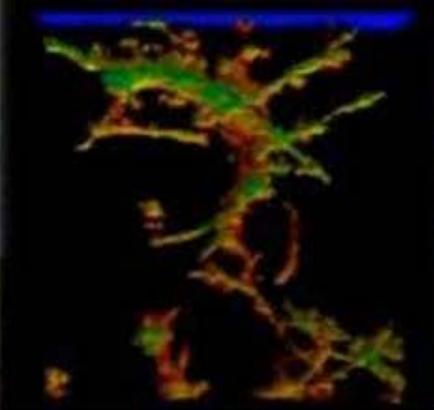


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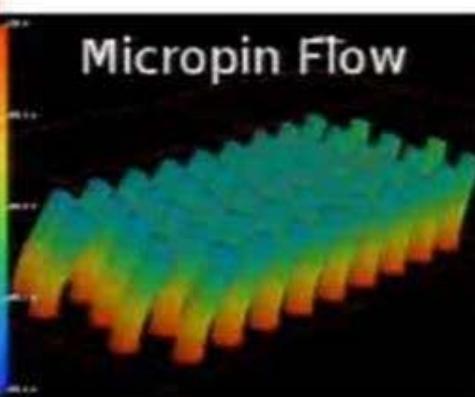
# Example Uintah Applications

Explosions



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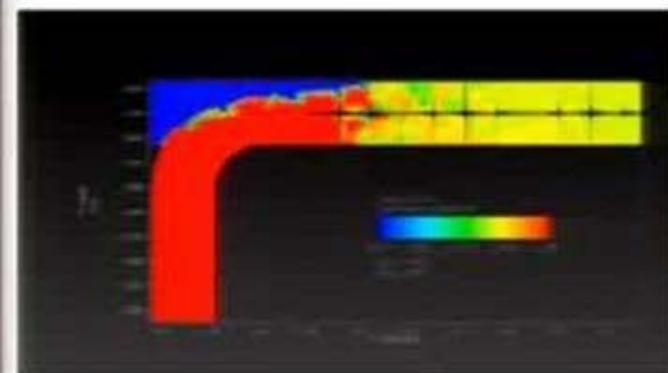
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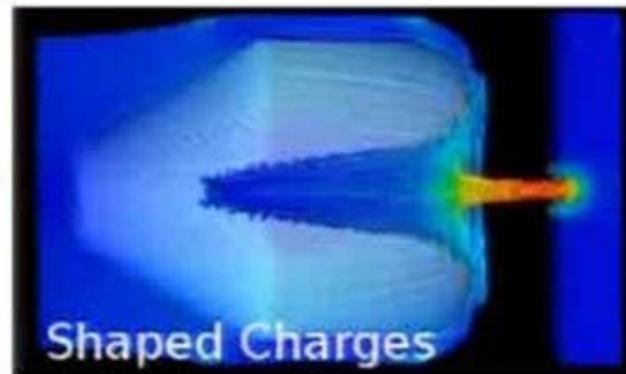
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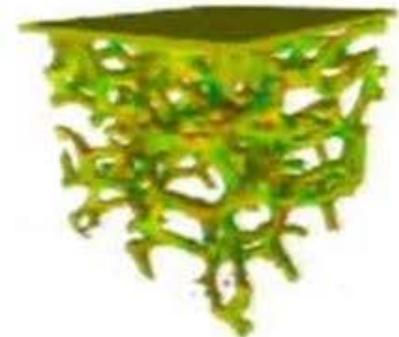
Sandstone  
Compaction



Carbon capture and cleanup



Shaped Charges



Foam  
Compaction

## Achieving Scalability & Portability

- Get the Abstractions Right
- Abstract Task Graph
  - Encapsulates computation and communication
- Data Storage – DataWarehouse
  - Encapsulates model for describing the global computational space
  - Data moves from node/processor via MPI under the covers as needed
    - hidden from the developer
- Programming for a Patch
  - Multiple patches combine to form the global Grid
  - Unit work space – block structured collection of cells with I,J,K Indexing scheme
  - Single or multiple patches per Core/Processor

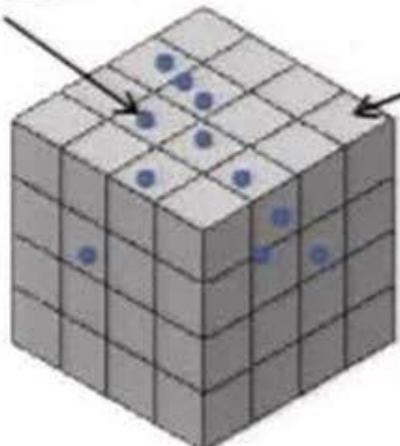
## Abstract Taskgraph

- Convenient abstraction that provides a mechanism for achieving parallelism
- Explicit representation of computation and communication
- Components delegate decisions about parallelism to a scheduler component using variable dependencies and computational workloads for global resource optimization (load balancing)
- Efficient fine-grained coupling of multi-physics components
- Flexible load balancing
- Separation of Application development from Parallelism.
  - Component developers don't have to be parallelism experts

# Uintah Patch and Variables

ICE is a cell-centered finite volume method for Navier Stokes equations

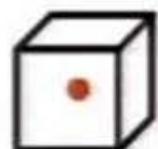
Particles



Cells



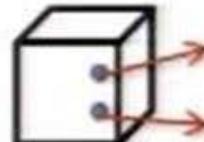
Uintah Patch



Cell Centered Variable



Node Centered Variable



Particle Variables

Uintah Variable Types

- Structured Grid Variable (for Flows) are Cell Centered Nodes, Face Centered Nodes.
- Unstructured Points (for Solids) are Particles

**ARCHES** is a combustion code using several different radiation models and linear solvers

**MPM** is a novel method that uses particles and nodes  
Exchange data with ICE, not just boundary condition

# What is a Task?

- Two features:
  - A pointer to a function that performs the actual work
  - A specification of the **inputs** & **outputs**

```
Task* task = new Task( "Example::taskexample", this, &Example::taskexample );  
  
task->requires( Task::OldDW, variable1_label, Ghost::AroundNodes, 1 );  
  
task->computes( variable1_label );  
task->computes( variable2_label );  
  
sched->addTask( task, level->eachPatch(), sharedState_->allMaterials() );
```

# Component Basics

```
class Example : public UintahParallelComponent, public SimulationInterface {  
public:  
    virtual void problemSetup(. . .);  
  
    virtual void scheduleInitialize(. . .);  
  
    virtual void scheduleComputeStableTimestep(. . .);  
  
    virtual void scheduleTimeAdvance(. . .);  
  
private:  
    void initialize(. . .);  
  
    void computeStableTimestep(. . .);  
  
    void timeAdvance( . . .);  
}  
  
  


Algorithmic  
Implementation


```

# Burgers Example

```
<Grid>
  <Level>
    <Box label = "1">
      <lower> [0,0,0]   </lower>
      <upper> [1.0,1.0,1.0] </upper>
      <resolution> [50,50,50] </resolution>
      <patches> [2,2,2]   </patches>
      <extraCells> [1,1,1]  </extraCells>
    </Box>
  </Level>
</Grid>
```

$$U_t + UU_x = 0$$

25 cubed patches  
8 patches  
One level of halos

```
void Burger::scheduleTimeAdvance( const LevelP& level,
                                  SchedulerP& sched )
```

{

....

```
task->requires( Task::OldDW, u_label, Ghost::AroundNodes, 1 );
```

Get old solution from  
old data warehouse

```
task->requires( Task::OldDW, sharedState_->get_delt_label() );
```

One level of halos

```
task->computes( u_label );
```

Compute new solution

```
sched->addTask( task, level->eachPatch(), sharedState_->allMaterials() );
```

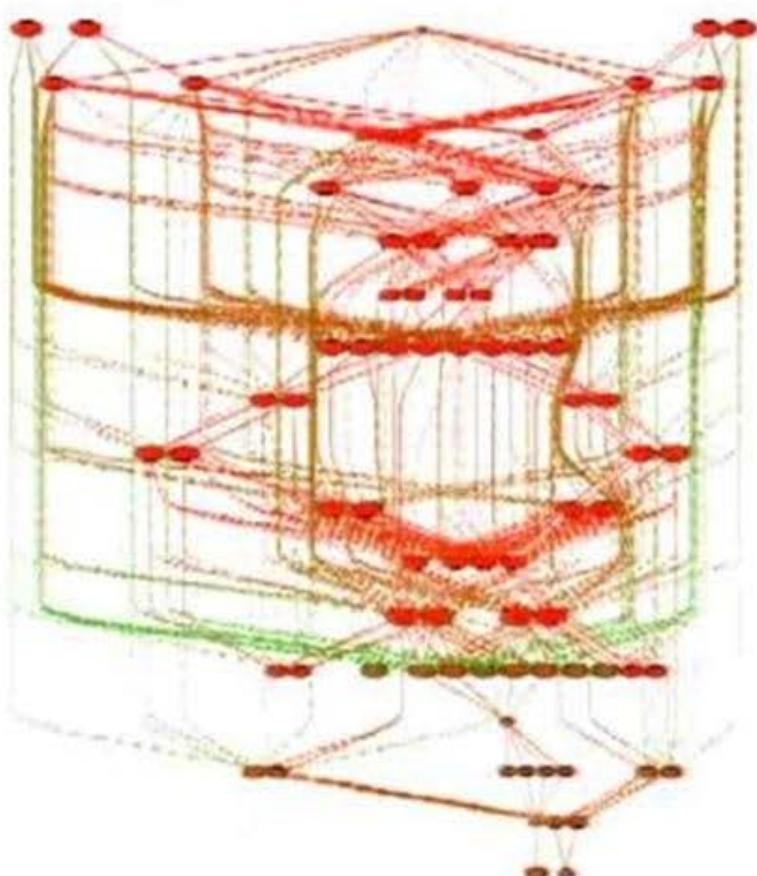
}

## Burgers Equation code

$$U_t + UU_x = 0$$

```
void Burger::timeAdvance( const ProcessorGroup*, const PatchSubset* patches,
                           const MaterialSubset* matls, DataWarehouse* old_dw,
                           DataWarehouse* new_dw) {
    for(int p=0;p<patches->size();p++){//Loop for all patches on this processor
        // Get data from data warehouse including 1 layer of "ghost" nodes from
        // surrounding patches
        old_dw->get( u, lb_->u, matl, patch, Ghost::AroundNodes, 1 );
        Vector dx = patch->getLevel()->dCell(); // dt, dx Time and space increments
        old_dw->get(dt, sharedState_->get_delt_label());
        new_dw->allocateAndPut(new_u, lb_->u, matl, patch ); // allocate memory for
                                                               // result: new_u
        // define iterator ranges l and h, etc.
        // A lot of code has been pruned...
        for(Nodelerator iter(l, h);!iter.done(); iter++){ // iterate through all the nodes
            IntVector n = *iter;
            double dudx = (u[n+IntVector(1,0,0)] - u[n-IntVector(1,0,0)]) / (2.0 * dx.x());
            double du    = - u[n] * dt * (dudx);
            new_u[n]    = u[n] + du;
        }
    }
}
```

# Uintah Distributed Task Graph



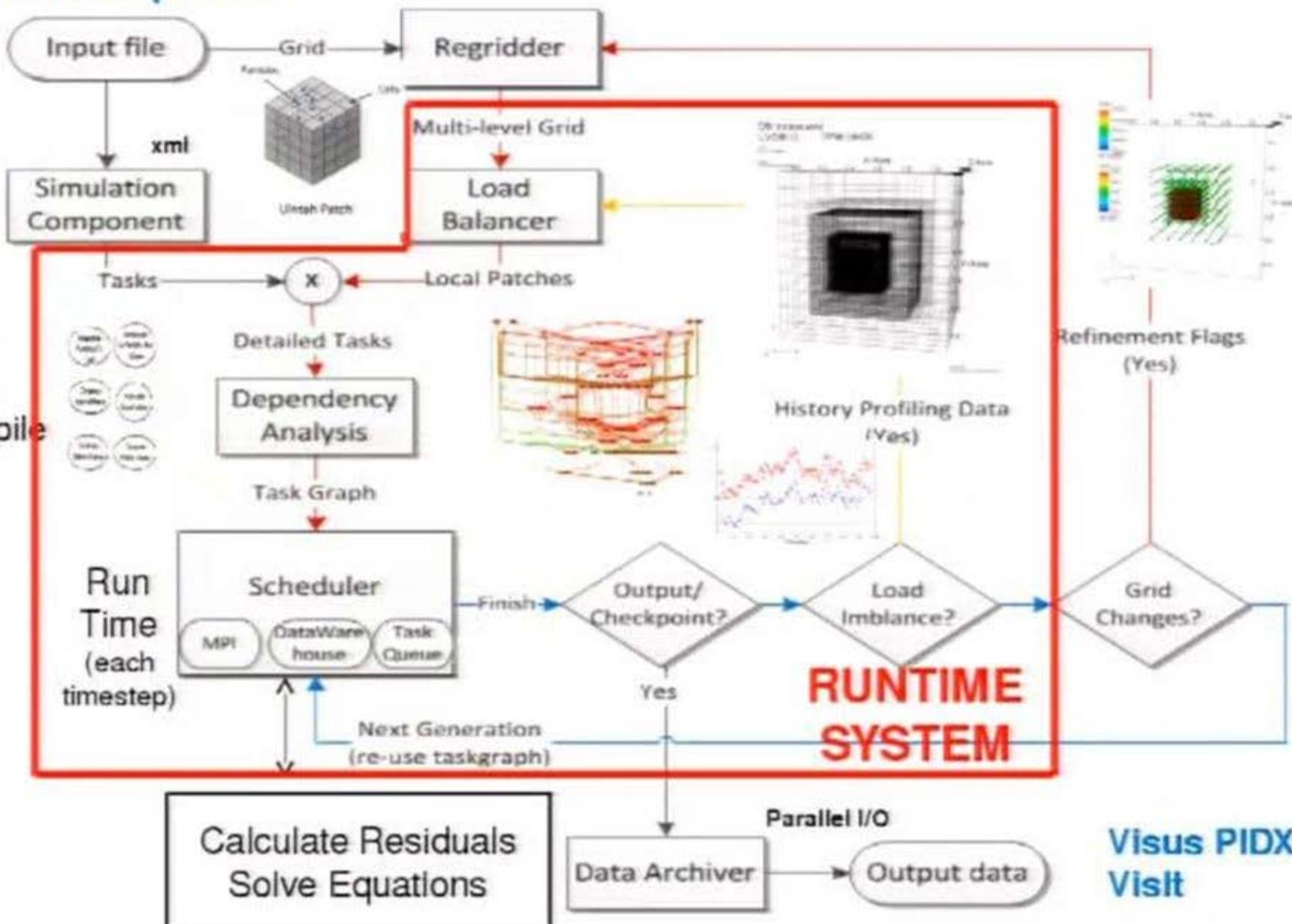
4 patches single level ICE task graph

- 2 million tasks per timestep globally on 98K cores
- Tasks on local and neighboring patches
- Same code callback by each patch
- Variables in data warehouse(DW)
  - Read - get() from OldDW and NewDW
  - Write- put() to NewDW
- Communication along edges

**Although individual task graphs are quite “linear” per mesh patch they are offset when multiple patches execute per core**

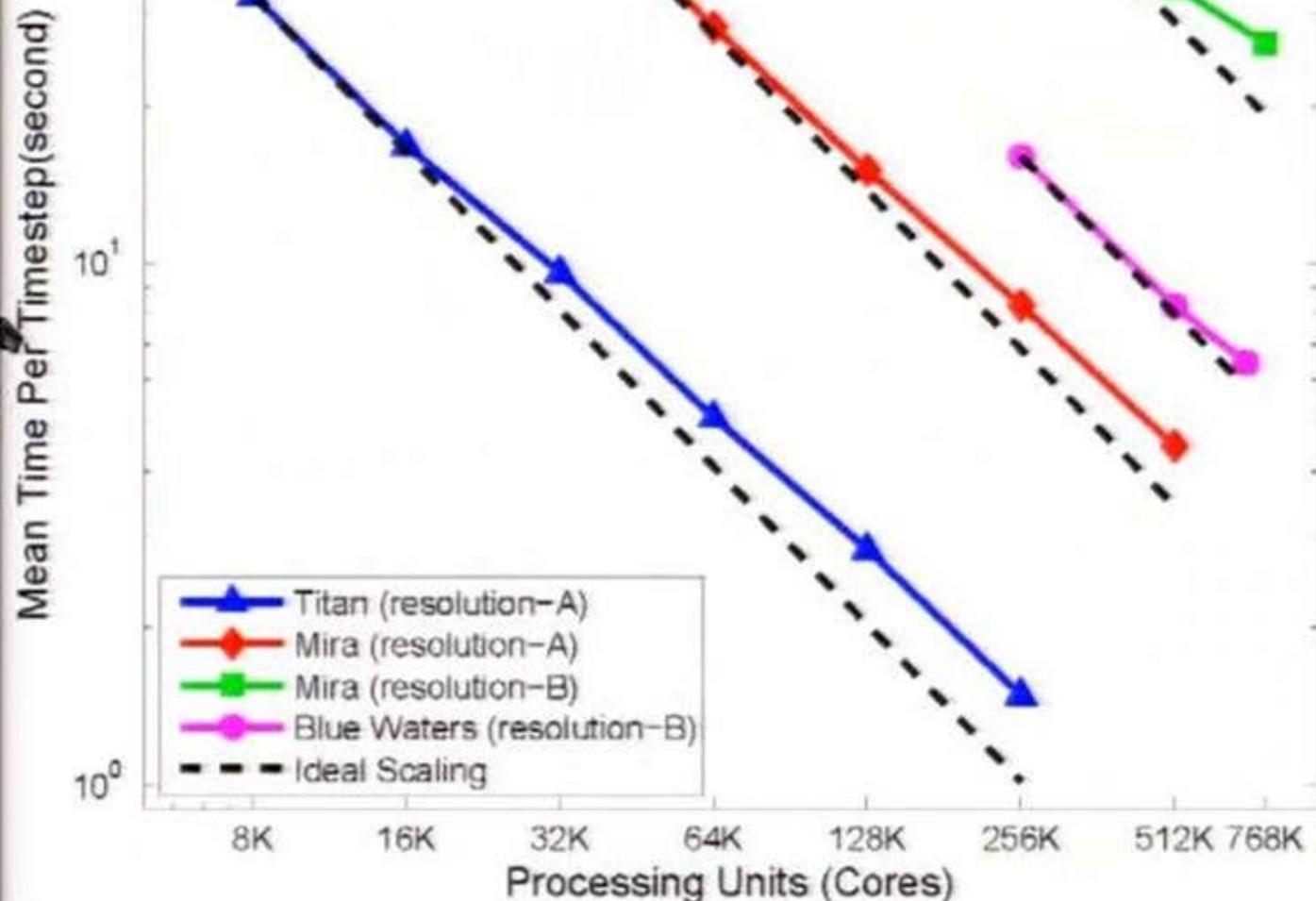
## Uintah Component

Task  
Compile

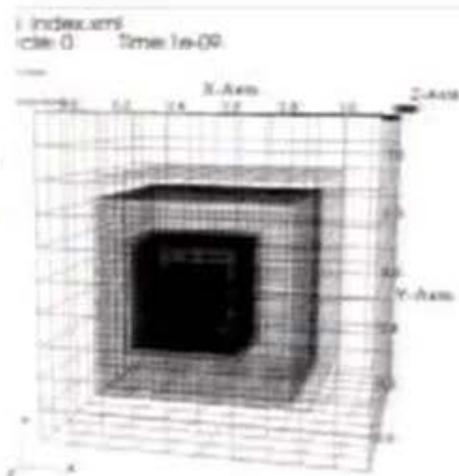


UINTAH ARCHITECTURE

## MPM AMR ICE Strong Scaling



Complex fluid-structure interaction problem  
with adaptive mesh refinement, see SC13/14 paper  
NSF funding.



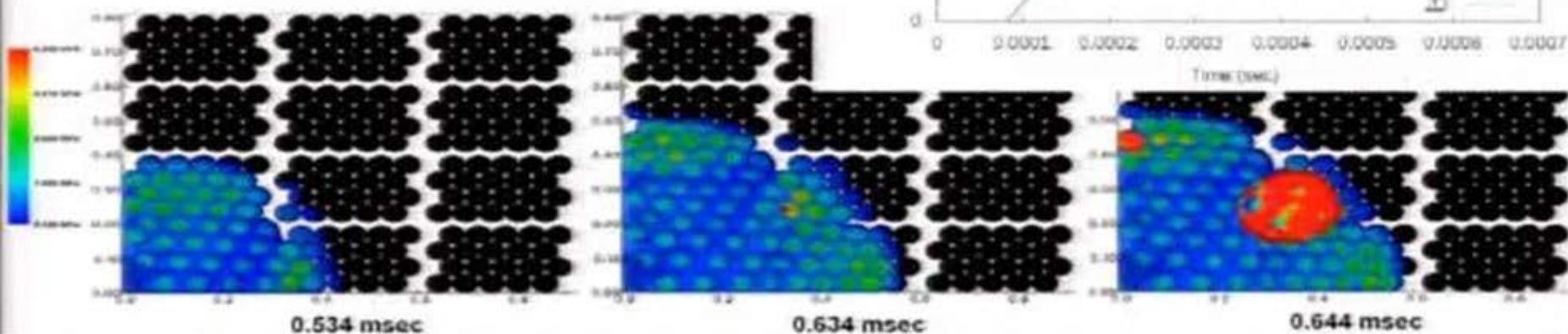
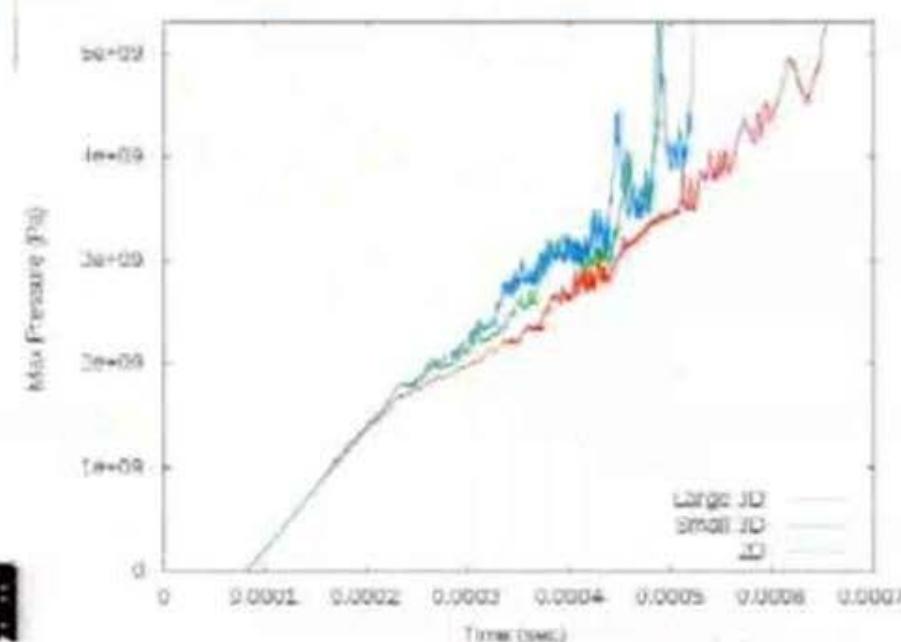
## NSF funded modeling of Spanish Fork Accident 8/10/05

Speeding truck with 8000 explosive boosters each with 2.5-5.5 lbs of explosive overturned and caught fire



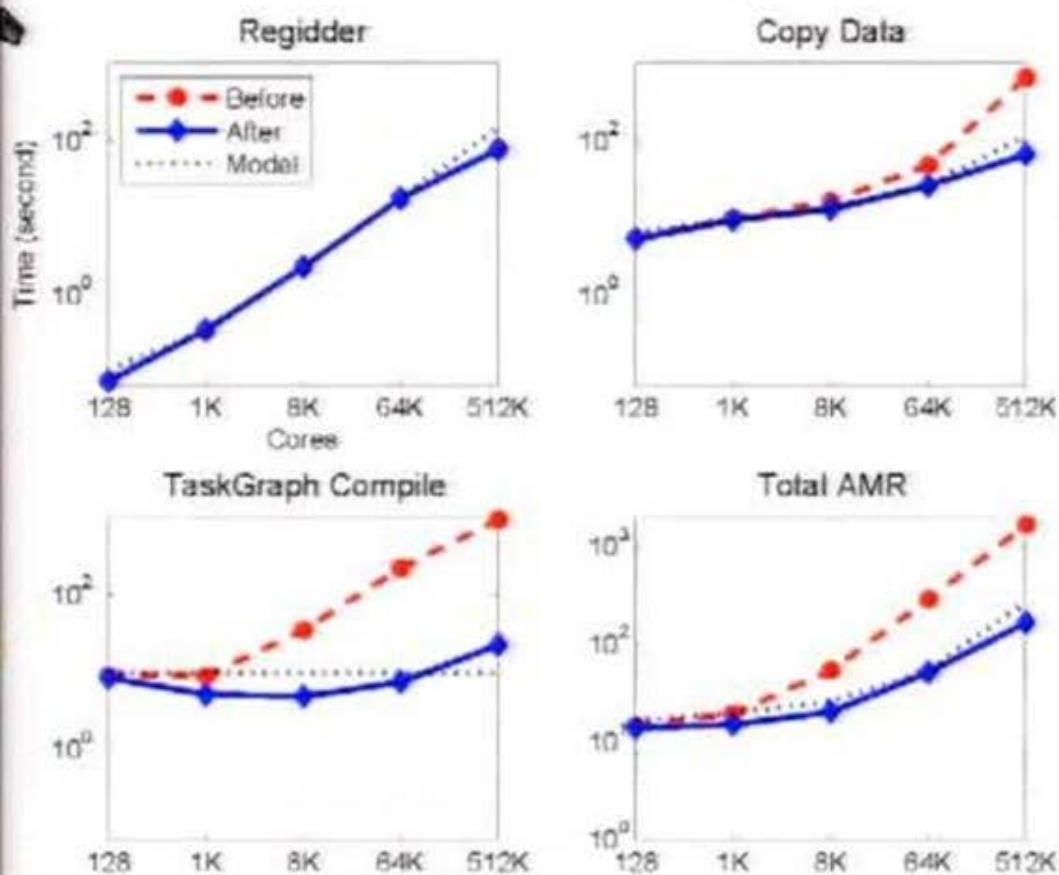
Experimental evidence for a transition from deflagration to detonation?

Deflagration wave moves at ~400m/s not all explosive consumed. Detonation wave moves 8500m/s all explosive consumed.

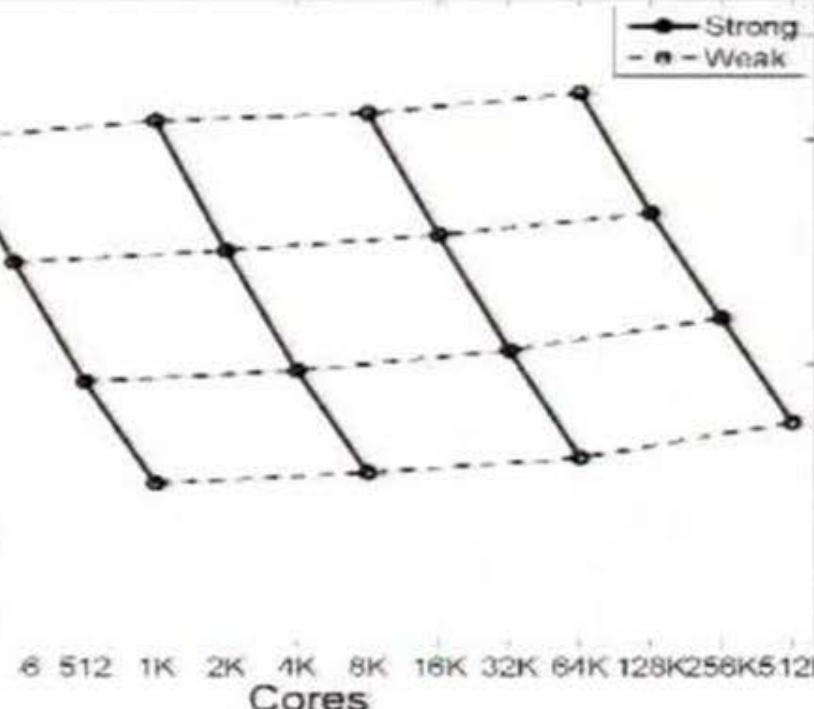


## Spanish Fork Accident

500K mesh patches  
1.3 Billion mesh cells  
7.8 Billion particles



## Detonation MPMICE: Scaling on Mira BGQ



At every stage when we move to the next generation of problems Some of the algorithms and data structures need to be replaced.

Scalability at one level is no certain indicator for problems or machines An order of magnitude larger

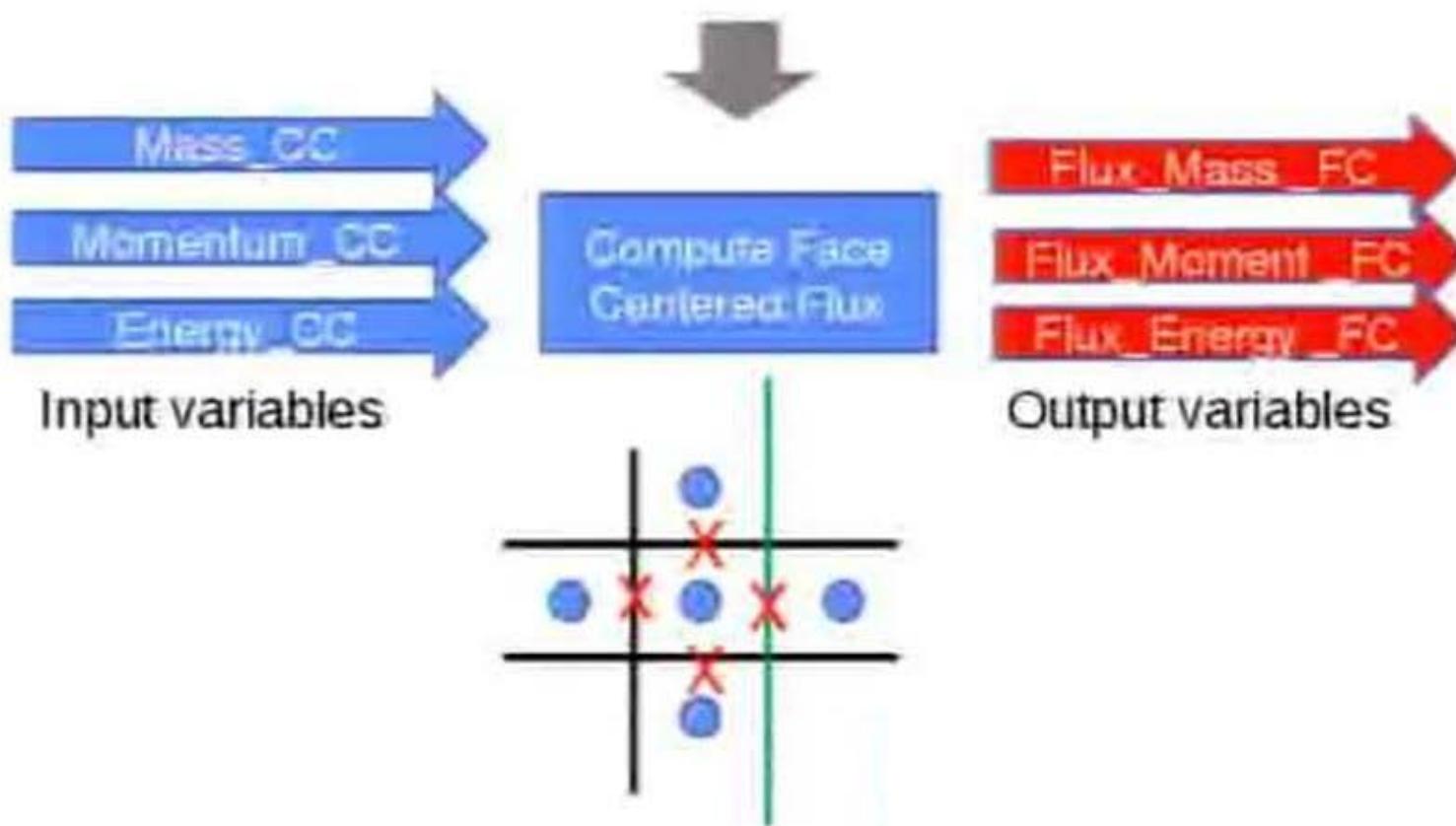
# MiniAero Project

- **Project with Sandia National Lab**
  - Evaluate Uintah Framework – port app to framework
  - Team of 15+ developers from Sandia and Utah had a 3 day coding session to port the MiniAero mini-app (Finite Volume, RK4 -- CFD application).
- **Uintah Perspective**
  - How quickly can we **educate** new developers and implement a new component?
  - 90% of the port was completed during the visit
  - Within < 2 weeks from visit, basic features were **functional** on multi-cpu **systems**.
  - Within < 2 months, port was completed and scalable to 128K cores on Titan.

## Task from the MiniAero Algorithm

Compute face-centered fluxes (mass, momentum, energy):

$$\text{Fluxes}_{fc} = f(m_{cc}, \mathbf{V}\rho_{cc}, E_{cc})$$



## Scheduling MiniAero Algorithm Task

## “Hello World” task in Uintah

## Task from the MiniAero Algorithm (3/3)

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```
// Compute Face Centered Fluxes from Cell Centered
for (CellIterator iter = patch->getSFCXIterator(); !iter.done(); iter++){
    IntVector c = *iter;
    IntVector offset(-1,0,0);
    Flux_mass_FCX[c]=0.5*(flux_mass_CC[c][0] + flux_mass_CC[c+offset][0]);
    Flux_mom_FCX[c][0]=0.5*(flux_mom_CC[c](0,0)+flux_mom_CC[c+offset](0,0));
    Flux_mom_FCX[c][1] = 0.5*(flux_mom_CC[c](0,1) + flux_mom_CC[c+offset](0,1));
    Flux_mom_FCX[c][2] = 0.5*(flux_mom_CC[c](0,2) + flux_mom_CC[c+offset](0,2));
    Flux_energy_FCX[c] = 0.5*(flux_energy_CC[c][0]+flux_energy_CC[c+offset][0]);
}

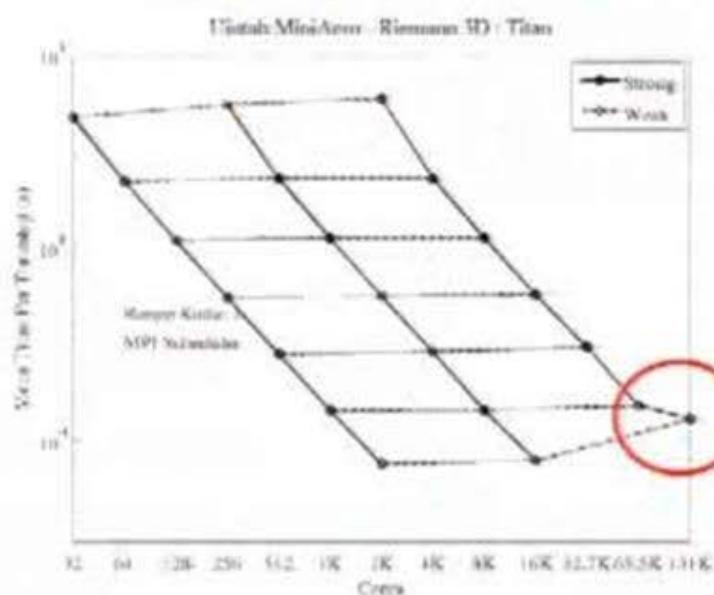
for (CellIterator iter = patch->getSFCYIterator(); !iter.done(); iter++){
    IntVector c = *iter;
    IntVector offset(0,-1,0);
    Flux_mass_FCY[c] = 0.5*(flux_mass_CC[c][1] + flux_mass_CC[c + offset][1]);
    Flux_mom_FCY[c][0] = 0.5*(flux_mom_CC[c](1,0) + flux_mom_CC[c+offset](1,0));
    Flux_mom_FCY[c][1] = 0.5*(flux_mom_CC[c](1,1) + flux_mom_CC[c+offset](1,1));
    Flux_mom_FCY[c][2] = 0.5*(flux_mom_CC[c](1,2) + flux_mom_CC[c+offset](1,2));
    Flux_energy_FCY[c] = 0.5*(flux_energy_CC[c][1]+flux_energy_CC[c+offset][1]);
}

. . . . /* similarly for SFCZIterator directory
```

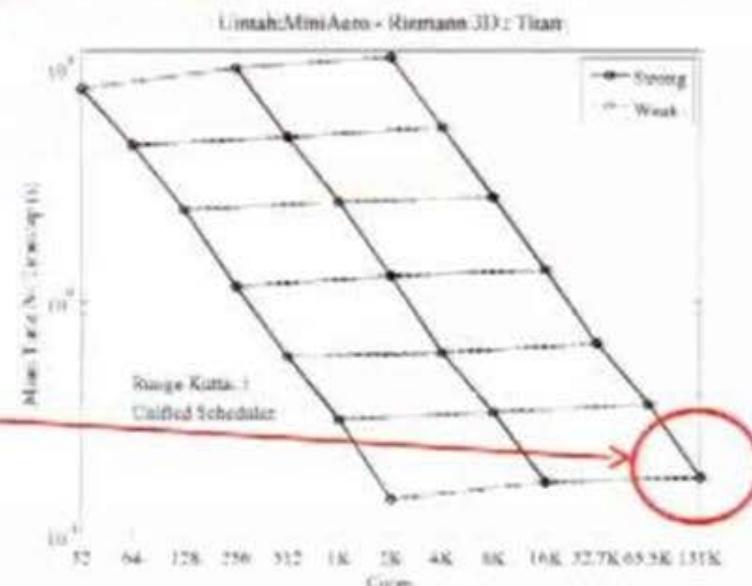
## MiniAero Scaling

Resolution  
16M, 128M, 1B mesh cells  
32 > 128K mesh patches

Runtime – MPI ONLY



Runtime – MPI + Pthreads



Changing the scheduling and execution of tasks from an MPI only to a hybrid MPI + Pthreads improves the strong and weak scalability at large core counts (overlapping communication and computation, reducing MPI communication)

NO CHANGE to the application code, only happens in the runtime

## Summary

- **DAG abstraction** powerful concept for portable and scalable applications.
- **Functional view of Tasks** on a patch with Inputs/Outputs map to different stages of an algorithm. **Simplified development model.**
- **Components can be developed quickly** without requiring in depth knowledge of MPI, threads, or other communication primitives. **Simplifies developer time and expertise.**
- **Scalable out of the box.** New components can leverage the advances in the runtime system.

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