

Dynamic task fusion with SYCL for an explicit hyperbolic equation system solver with dynamic AMR and local time stepping

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Motivation: the science case

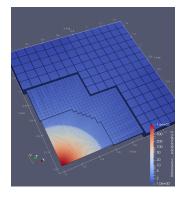
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Spherical accretion of collisional gas





Setup:

- Hubble expansion: expand coordinate system
- Gas: simple Euler equation
- Gravity (with some initial overdensity in the centre): some additional forces
- \Rightarrow some turn-around effect

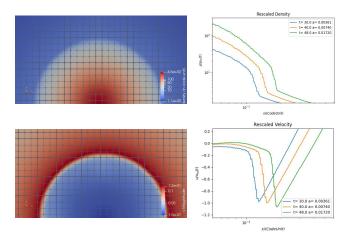
Research question:

- Maybe not plain potential of Poisson equation
- Solution's self-similarity

Code requirements



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- Hydrodynamics: Finite Volumes
- Hubble expansion vs. contraction: AMR around "shock"
- Mass accreditation: Dynamic AMR
- Long-term, very accurate simulation: HPC

AMR dilemma



				Patch-wise	
	р	Baseline	AoS	SoA	in-situ
	3	$1.12 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$8.28 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$8.81 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$4.27 \cdot 10^{-7}$
	4	$9.11 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$8.07 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$8.10 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3.93 \cdot 10^{-7}$
	7	$7.91 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7.43 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7.85 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3.54 \cdot 10^{-7}$
	8	$7.84 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7.67 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7.70 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3.52 \cdot 10^{-7}$
	15	$7.99 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7.48 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7.72 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3.44 \cdot 10^{-7}$
	16	$7.95 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7.41 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7.62 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3.45 \cdot 10^{-7}$
	3	$1.84 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.73 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.70 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.17 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	4	$1.68 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.65 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.65 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.12 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	7	$1.56 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.57 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.56 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.02 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	8	$1.55 \cdot 10^{-5}$	1.70 · 10 ⁻⁵	$1.68 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.03 \cdot 10^{-5}$
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Cost per FV update; [t]=s; lower is better; AMD EPYC 7702; 2d (top) vs. 3d (bottom)

Small patches:

- High inter-patch concurrency
- Accurate adaptivity

Large patches:

- High intra-patch concurrency (SIMD)
- Low administration overhead

Punchline: Algorithms and AMR would want us to use small patches (aka tasks later on). Vector registers (and GPUs later on) would like us to use large (Cartesian) patches.



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An Exascale Hyperbolic PDE solver Engine



Vision: Allow groups with decent computational background to write an exascale solver for

$$\boldsymbol{M}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\boldsymbol{Q} + \boldsymbol{\nabla}\cdot\boldsymbol{\mathsf{F}}(\boldsymbol{Q}) + \sum_{i}\boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{i}\frac{\partial\boldsymbol{\boldsymbol{Q}}}{\partial\boldsymbol{x}_{i}} = \boldsymbol{\mathsf{S}} + \sum\delta$$

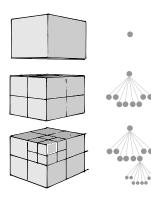
within a year.

- Engine terminology: You buy into our compute-n-feel and tailor it towards your needs.
- User view: Focus what to compute, leave the other stuff to engine (clean software design)
- Software view: Engine decides how, when and where to compute (efficiency)
- \Rightarrow Radical (academic) interpretation of separation-of-concerns

Development paradigm: Trade software quality (ease of use, separation of concerns, abstraction, performance portability) for methodological freedom (and that last bit of efficiency).

ExaHyPE 2's engine ingredients

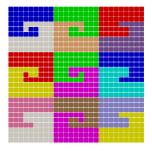




- Spatial discretisation
 - Octree/spacetree formalism for dynamically adaptive Cartesian meshes
 - Block-structured dynamic AMR for low order methods
 - Cell-based AMR for higher order methods
 - \Rightarrow Peano AMR framework
- Numerical schemes
 - Block-structured Finite Volumes
 - Runge-Kutta DG (experimental)
 - ADER-DG (experimental)
 - Tracer (Particle-in-Cell)
 - SPH (experimental) (all explicit)
 - \Rightarrow ExaHyPE2 layer above Peano
- Target architecture
 - MPI+X
 - OpenMP tasking + OpenMP offloading
 - C++ tasking
 - Intel TBB tasking + SYCL offloading (no genuine GPU support; strict offloading/accelerator paradigm)
 - ⇒ Peano's MPI/tasking layer plus ExaHyPE2 compute kernels

Classic domain decomposition: MPI+X





SFC-based non-overlapping domain decomposition:

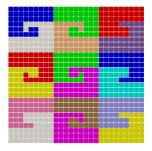
- Peano runs through subpartitions (SPMD+BSP with thread overbooking)
- Logically no difference between MPI and shared memory parallelisation
- Data copying after each traversal
- Load (re-)balancing realised through plug-ins

Separation of concerns:

- ► You do not know when calculations are triggered (in-between SPMD/BSP sync points)
- You do not know where calculations are triggered (core/rank)
- Consistency code hidden from user
- You do not know how data are distributed (in default mode)

Intra-kernel parallelism (FV/block-structured only)





Nested loops over "micro-kernels":

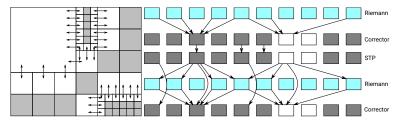
- ► Evaluate flux, ncp, source, ... or add outcome of flux, ncp, source, ... to solution
- Exploit knowledge about underlying temporary data structures (AoS vs. SoA vs. AoSoA)
- Available with normal (virtual) and stateless (static) callback to user code

Flavours of overall kernel:

- Loop orderings
- Evaluate all terms first or update in-situ
- Data layout for temporary data (such as flux outcomes)
- Use static or virtual callbacks
- ► Use C++ Cartesian loops, nested loops with OpenMP annotations, SYCL's ranges

Enclave tasking





Idea: Tasks=intermediate parallelisation layer between SPMD+BSP and kernels

- ► Mark all cells along MPI boundary and resolution transitions ⇒ skeleton grid (those are involved in MPI and might refine/coarsen)
 - reordering of these cells challenging
 - these cells are along critical path in task graph (latency sensitive)
- ▶ Remaining cells define real tasks ⇒ skeleton cells
 - overlap with MPI and AMR
 - compensate for BSP imbalances



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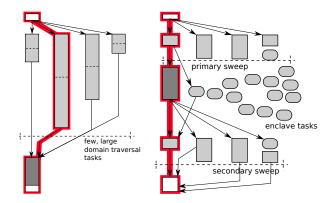
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Task creation pattern



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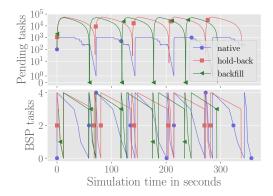
- Primary domain sweep: create task and run the critical ones
- Secondary domain sweep: work in enclave task outcomes

Properties:

- Producer-consumer pattern
- Burst of large number of spawned ready tasks

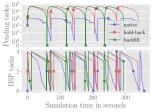
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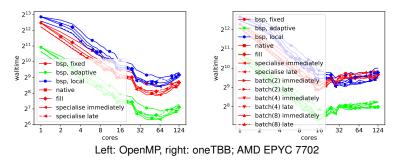


From H. Schulz, G. Brito Gadeschi, O. Rudyy, T. Weinzierl: *Task inefficiency patterns for a wave* equation solver, IWOMP 2021

- Performance flaws for large meshes and GNU
- ⇒ Process tasks immediately (this is allowed according to standard)
- Performance flaws for imbalanced BSP, heavy tasks and LLVM
- ⇒ Switch to other heavy task at BSP end and thus make thread unavailable for upcoming urgent tasks
- Introduce one manual queue and hold back tasks
- ⇒ Performance flaws on NUMA machines (AMD)
 - Introduce one manual queue per core and hold back tasks
- ⇒ Software design (two replicated layers of task queues) and overhead

Task architecture in oneAPI





- SYCL queues are not an option as our tasks have states (virtual function calls)
- oneTBB offers :::tbb:::task_group (direct fit to paradigm)
- Better than OpenMP for small core counts, OpenMP faster for large core counts Open questions:
 - SYCL queues which support virtual functions
 - Swap in tasks from oneAPI queues at end of (BSP) task group
 - Process only some tasks from group (backgroundTaskGroup.waitForSomeTasks();)



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Aggregate multiple tasks



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Idea:

- Label stateless tasks within OneTBB task group with identifier
- Assemble k tasks into one large meta task

Flavours:

- Assemble tasks immediately when we span
- Assemble tasks late when BSP section has nothing else to do

Opportunities:

- Reduce pressure on task queues
- Inline into templated compute kernel
- Permute loops once more
- \Rightarrow Vectorise over multiple kernel calls
- \Rightarrow Offload

Batched vs. patch-wise kernels



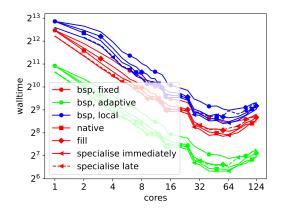
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Performance on host

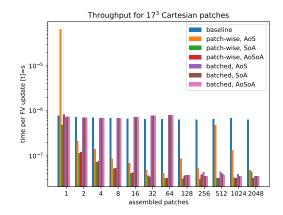




- BSP alone is not a good idea
- Specialisation is expensive, i.e. run immediately
- Fusion into task assemblies does not pay off (not shown)
- Specialisation effect significant for low AI, insignificant for high AI (not shown)

Performance on the GPU (OpenMP)





- Task assembly is a must
- Once the task assemblies are large enough, switching batched (multi-kernel) compute routines is an option
- AoS is unfortunate choice for internal (temporary) data structures

Three more things



Open issues:

- Issuing SYCL GPU calls from multiple tasks does not work at the moment
- NUMA impact of whole concept not clear
- Balancing between multiple SYCL queues not possible



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Summary



Take away: If people tell you that you need reasonably large patches in block-structured AMR to get high performance, you should challenge this statement!

- Task group concept direct match to our software architecture
 - Mirror priorities via hierarchy of task groups
 - Hold back some tasks in dedicated groups
- Open questions
 - Task migration between groups (flag ready tasks and steal tasks)
 - NUMA affinity preserved
 - Process only some tasks rather than all in one rush
- Flaws
 - Having both SYCL queues and task groups is not nice (support virtual calls in SYCL queues)
 - Race condition on GPUs requires manual synchronisation

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