





The DEEP-SEA Project

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Road to Exascale – Slower than Expected



Top #1: HPL Rpeak [PFLOP/s]



1997: First **1TFlop/s** computer: (*ASCI Red/9152*)

2008: First **1 PFlop/s** computer: (*Roadrunner*)

So.... First 1 EFlop/s computer: 2018 !!

- Well... not really

It took 4 years longer.... **2022**

for *Frontier* to appear

Exascale Challenges

Application parallelism

- Applications must support billions of individual threads
- Lower-scaling applications / parts of applications should not run on a full Exascale system
- Truly scalable systems
 - Huge numbers of devices need to exchange data with each other
 - Collective communication operations are "slowing down" due to larger system sizes
 - Network contention and reliability become worries

Energy efficiency

- Accelerators clearly beat CPUs for many (most?) codes
- System heterogeneity is a must
- Yet portable accelerator programming is hard

Memory and storage

- Ever growing gap between compute throughput and memory bandwidth
- New technologies like HBM suffer from capacity limitations & high energy consumption

Workload diversity

- Exascale centers must run a wide variety of HPC, AI and data analytics workloads with highest energy efficiency
- One size does not fit all













Approaches to System Heterogeneity





Homogeneous systems lack efficiency*

Accelerated nodes fix the ratio of CPUs vs. accelerators, complicate sharing resources across nodes

Adding "special nodes" for certain tasks

*: certainly for AI and dense linear algebra applications







Integrated Exascale-Ready SW Stack





Heterogeneous / Modular Hardware

Public release at https://gitlab.jsc.fz-juelich.de/deep-sea/wp3/software/easybuild-repository-deep-sea

Optimisation Cycles



Bewildering variety of SW tools available to HPC SW developers for analysis and optimisation – in DEEP-SEA alone, these:



A. Geiß,



Application Mapping Optimisation Cycle





material by A. Geiß, TU Darmstadt

Use Case: PATMOS

Solves the neutron transport equations to simulate evolution of physical quantities for complex systems

Cross-sections computation represents 60% to 90% of total runtime

- Porting cross section computation to GPU
- Offload batch-size particles at a time



Split of application depends on batch size







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Heterogeneous/Hierarchical Memory

Examples...

- DDR DRAM
- Scratchpad (Embedded systems-on-chip, GPUs)
- High bandwidth memory (Intel Xeon Phi, GPUs)
- Byte addressable non-volatile memory (HP's Machine, Intel Optane)
- Compute Express Link (CXL): high-speed interface to accelerators and memory modules







Heterogeneous/Hierarchical Memory Tools

- To which degree do the applications need to be modified?
- Which layer manages the memory? When?
- How much can the applications benefit?







SHAMBLES scatter plot example for sparse kernel

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Malleability

Usual HPC workload resource reservation (constant # cores or nodes over time)

Actual use of resources varies over time (yellow curve)

Workload is able to use more resources in certain phases (arrow)

Ideal resource allocation for the workload in green

Malleable applications

- Release resources not required
- Acquire more resources if advantageous

Change in # of nodes do require data redistribution in the workload

DEEP-SEA provides MPI & Slurm prototypes for enabling application-driven (active) malleability





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Seven Co-Design Applications





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