

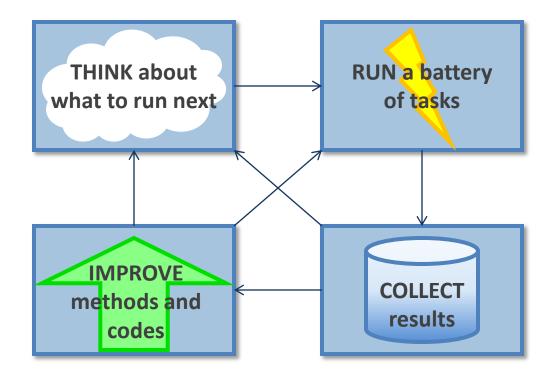
# The Assembly and Management of Scalable Computational Experiments

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# The Scientific Computing Campaign



This talk will address most of these components

# Software for the Computing Campaign

- Assembling the compute tasks
  - Code coupling
  - Task communication
- Running large numbers of tasks
  - Expressing complex workflows
  - Deploying large workloads
- Managing experimental data
  - Performing I/O on big machines
  - Data organization and provenance
- Improving experimental runs
  - Debugging and performance analysis for workflows
  - Plotting and visualization

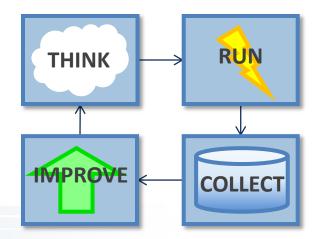
# Goal: Programmability for large scale analysis

- Our solution is "many-task" computing: higher-level applications composed of many run-to-completion tasks: input->compute->output
   Message passing is handled by our implementation details
- Programmability
  - Large number of applications have this natural structure at upper levels: Parameter studies, ensembles, Monte Carlo, branch-and-bound, stochastic programming, UQ
  - Coupling extreme-scale applications to preprocessing, analysis, and visualization
- Data-driven computing
  - Dataflow-based execution models
  - Data organization tools in the programming languages
- Challenges
  - Load balancing, data movement, expressibility

# Practical context: The Swift language

Swift was designed to handle many aspects of the computing campaign

- Ability to integrate many application components into a new workflow application
- Data structures for complex data organization
- Portability- separate site-specific configuration from application logic
- Logging, provenance, and plotting features



# SWIFT/K OVERVIEW

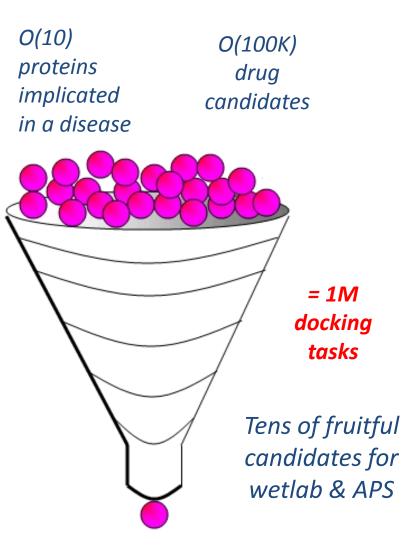
# Swift programming model: all progress driven by concurrent dataflow

```
(int r) myproc (int i, int j)
{
    int f = F(i);
    int g = G(j);
    r = f + g;
}
```

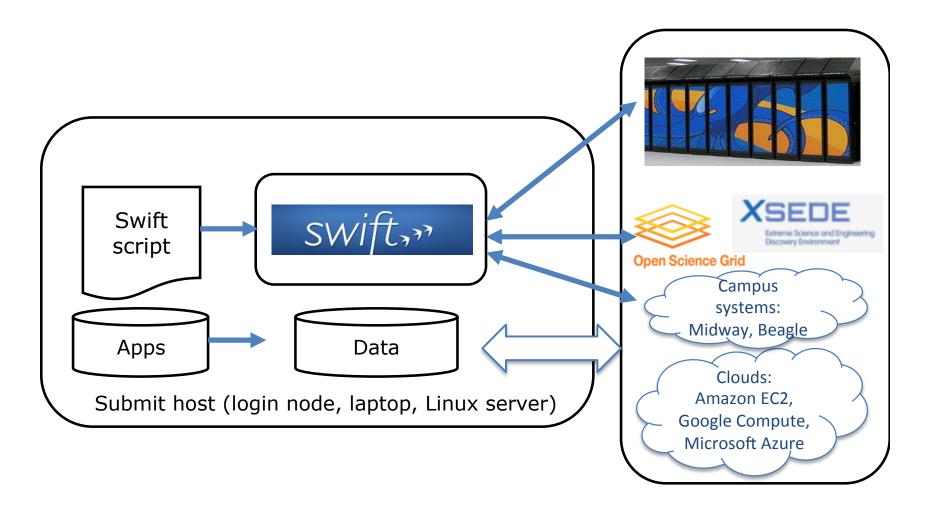
- F() and G() implemented in native code or external programs
- F() and G() run in concurrently in different processes
- r is computed when they are both done
- This parallelism is *automatic*
- Works recursively throughout the program's call graph

### More concurrency: Loops and arrays

```
foreach p, i in proteins {
   foreach c, j in ligands {
      (structure[i,j], log[i,j]) =
      dock(p, c, minRad, maxRad);
   }
}
scatter plot = analyze(structure)
```



# Swift/K: Swift for clusters, clouds, and grids



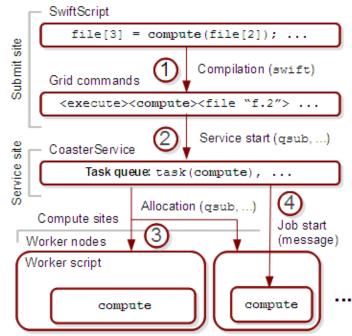
• Wilde et al. Swift: A language for distributed parallel scripting. Parallel Computing 37(9), 2011.

# **Execution infrastructure - Coasters**

- Coasters: a high task rate execution provider (Previously developed for the Swift system)
  - Automatically deploys worker agents to resources with respect to user task queues and available resources
  - Implements the Java CoG provider interfaces for compatibility with Swift and other software
  - Currently runs on clusters, grids, and HPC systems
  - Can move data along with task submission

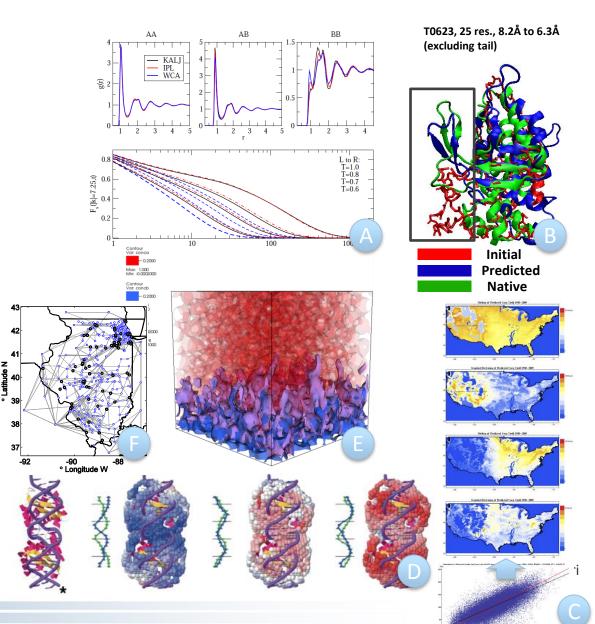
JETS

- Contains a "block" abstraction to manage allocations containing large numbers of CPUs
- Originally only supported sequential tasks



# Large-scale many-task applications using Swift

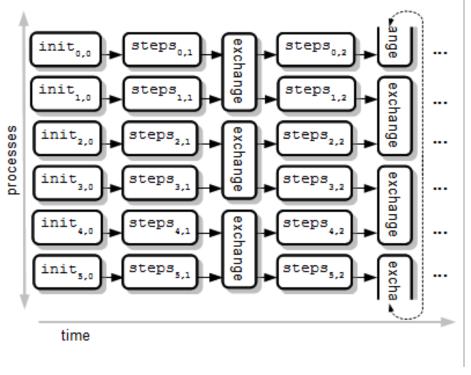
- Simulation of metals under stress
- Molecular dynamics: NAMD
- Molecular dynamics: LAMMPS
- X-ray scattering data aggregation
- X-ray imaging analysis
- Multiscale subsurface flow modeling
- Modeling of the power grid
- Climate data extraction
- ... and many more



# SWIFT/K: MPI TASKS

# NAMD - Replica Exchange Method

- Original JETS use case- sizeable batch of short parallel jobs with data exchange
- Method extracts information about a complex molecular system through an *ensemble* of concurrent, parallel simulation tasks



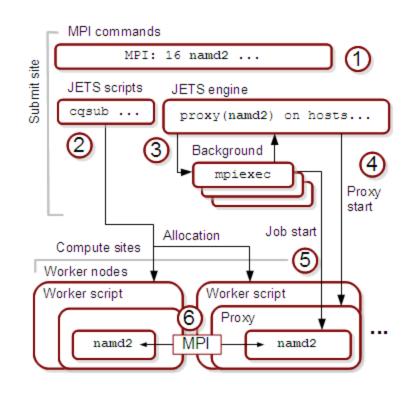
JETS

Application parameters (approx.):

- 64 concurrent jobs
   x 256 cores per job =
   16,384 cores
- 10-100 time steps per job = 10-60 seconds wall time
- Requires 6.4 MPI executions/sec. →
   1,638 processes/sec. over
   a 12-hour period =
   70 million process starts

# **Execution infrastructure - JETS**

- Stand-alone JETS: a high task rate parallel-task launcher
  - User deploys worker agents via customizable, provided submit scripts
  - Currently runs on clusters, grids, and HPC systems
    - Great over SSH
    - Ran on the BG/P through ZeptoOS sockets- great for debugging, performance studies, ensembles
  - Faster than Coasters but provides fewer features
    - Input must be a flat list of command lines
    - Limited data access features

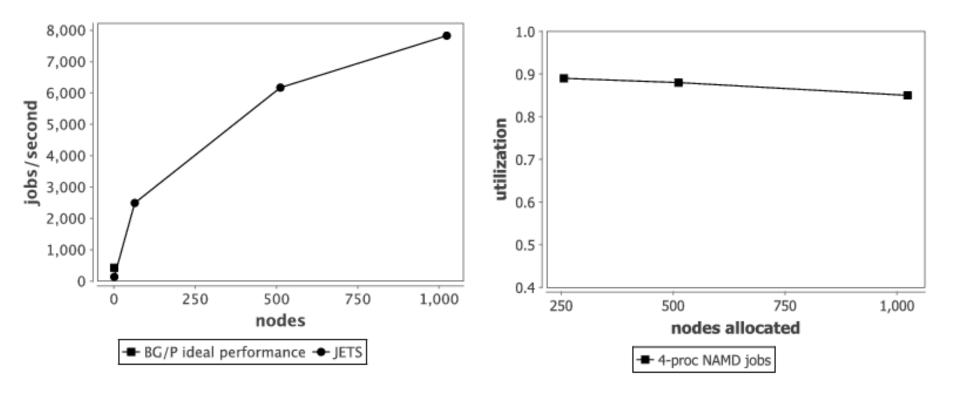


# JETS - Task rates and utilization

 Calibration: Sequential performance on synthetic jobs:

JETS

 Utilization for REM-like case: not quite 90%



# NAMD REM in Swift

- Constructed SwiftScript to implement REM in NAMD
  - Whole script ~ 100 lines
  - Intended to substitute for multi-thousand line Python script (that was incompatible with the BG/P)
- Script core structures shown to the right
- Represents REM data flow from previous slide as Swift data items, statements, and loops

JETS

```
app (positions p_out, velocities v_out,
        energies e_out)
namd(positions p_in, velocities v_in)
{
        namd @p_out @v_out @p_in @v_in stdout=@e_out;
    }
    positions p[]<array_mapper;files=p_strings>;
    velocities v[]<array_mapper;files=v_strings>;
    energies e[]<array_mapper;files=e_strings>;
```

```
// Initialize first segment in each replica
foreach i in [0:replicas-1] {
    int index = i*exchanges;
    p[i] = initial_positions();
    v[i] = initial_velocities();
}
```

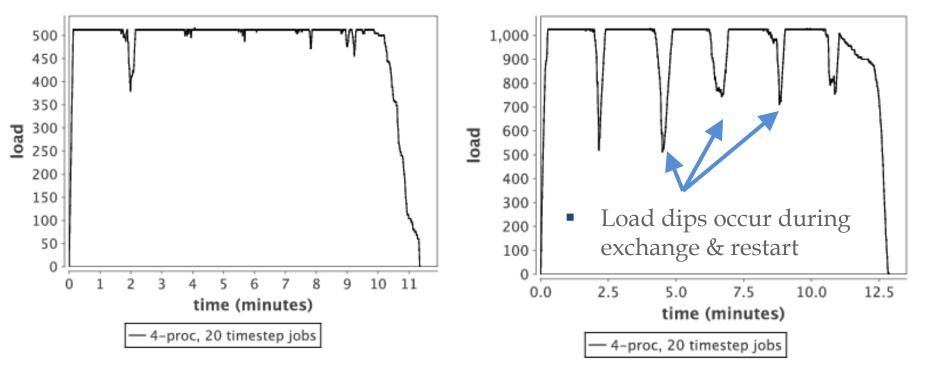
```
// Launch data-dependent NAMDs...
iterate j {
  foreach i in [0:replicas-1] {
    int current = i*exchanges + j+1;
    int previous = i*exchanges + j;
    (p[current], v[current], e[current]) =
      namd(p[previous], v[previous]);
  }
} until (j == exchanges);
```

# NAMD/JETS load levels

• Allocation size: 512 nodes

JETS

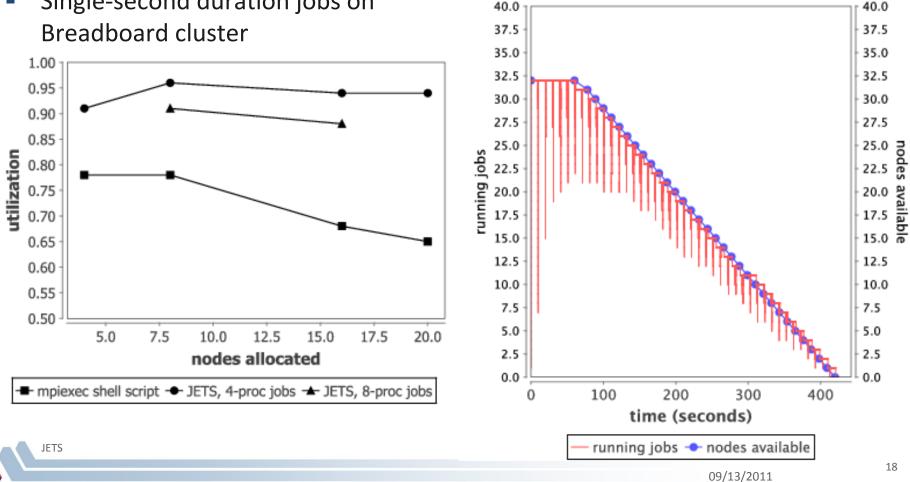
Allocation size: 1024 nodes



• Wozniak et al. JETS: Language and system support for many-parallel-task workflows. J. Grid Computing 11(3), 2013.

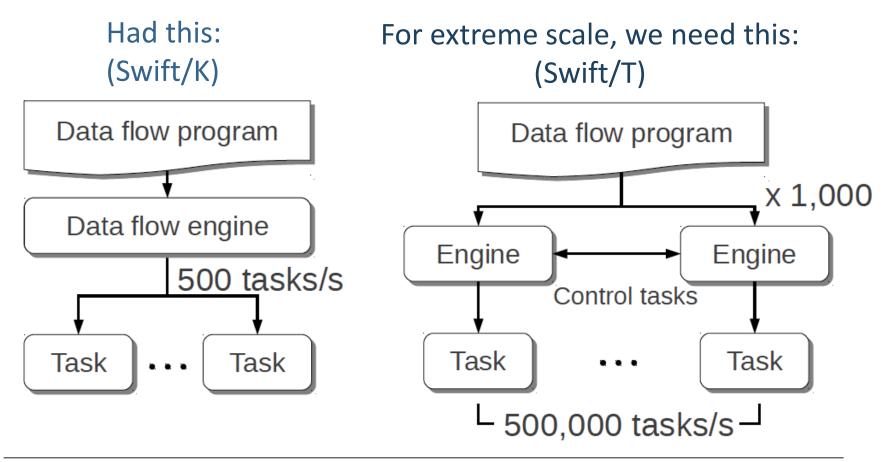
# **JETS - Misc. results**

- Effective for short MPI jobs on clusters
- Single-second duration jobs on Breadboard cluster
- JETS can survive the loss of worker agents (BG/P)



# SWIFT/T OVERVIEW

# Swift/T: Swift for high-performance computing



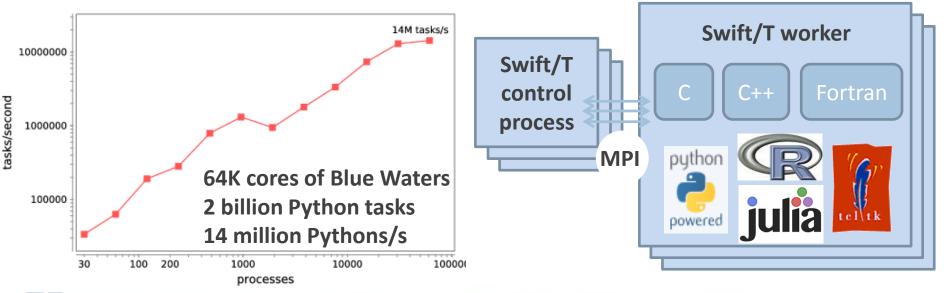
#### Distributed evaluation

Centralized evaluation

# Swift/T: Enabling high-performance workflows

- Write site-independent scripts
- Automatic parallelization and data movement
- Run native code, script fragments as applications
- Rapidly subdivide large partitions for MPI jobs





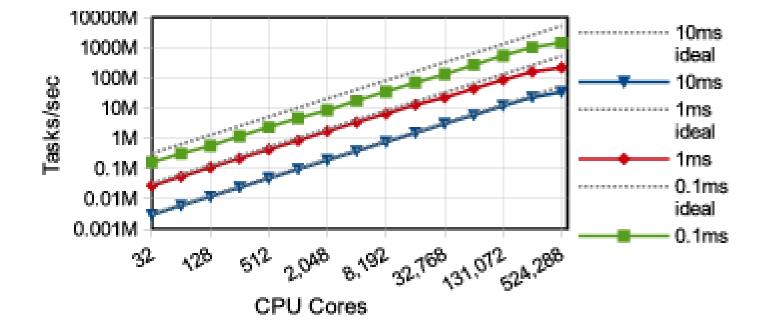
#### Move work to data locations

# Characteristics of very large Swift programs

```
int X = 100, Y = 100;
int A[][];
int B[];
foreach x in [0:X-1] {
  foreach y in [0:Y-1] {
    if (check(x, y)) {
        A[x][y] = g(f(x), f(y));
        } else {
            A[x][y] = 0;
        }
        B[x] = sum(A[x]);
```

- The goal is to support billion-way concurrency: O(10<sup>9</sup>)
- Swift script logic will control trillions of variables and data dependent tasks
- Need to distribute Swift logic processing over the HPC compute system

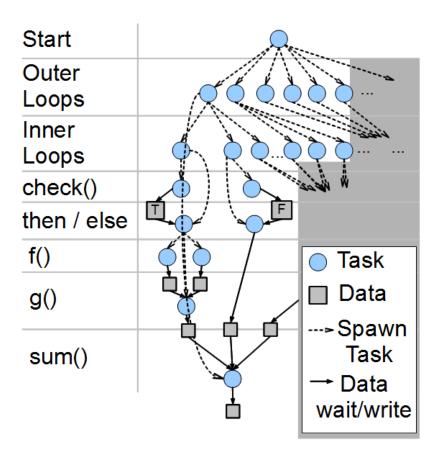
## **Basic scalability**



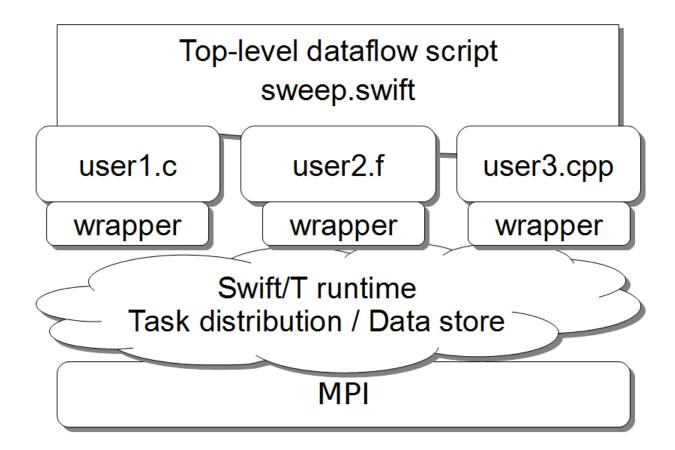
• 1.5 billion tasks/s on 512K cores of Blue Waters, so far

# Swift/T: Fully parallel evaluation of complex scripts

```
int X = 100, Y = 100;
int A[][];
int B[];
foreach x in [0:X-1] {
  foreach y in [0:Y-1] {
    if (check(x, y)) {
        A[x][y] = g(f(x), f(y));
        } else {
            A[x][y] = 0;
        }
        B[x] = sum(A[x]);
    }
```



# Support calls to native libraries



Including MPI libraries

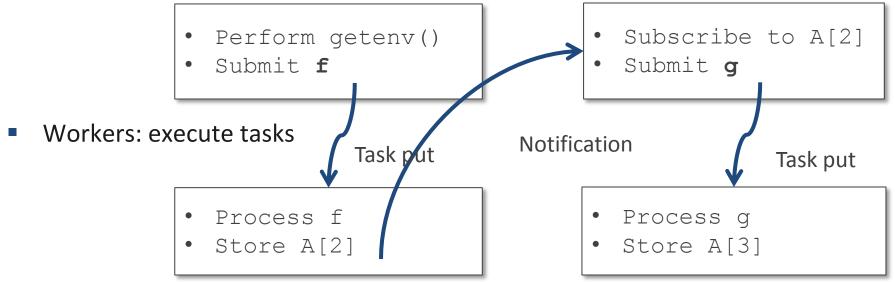
# **Example execution**

Code

$$A[2] = f(getenv("N"));$$

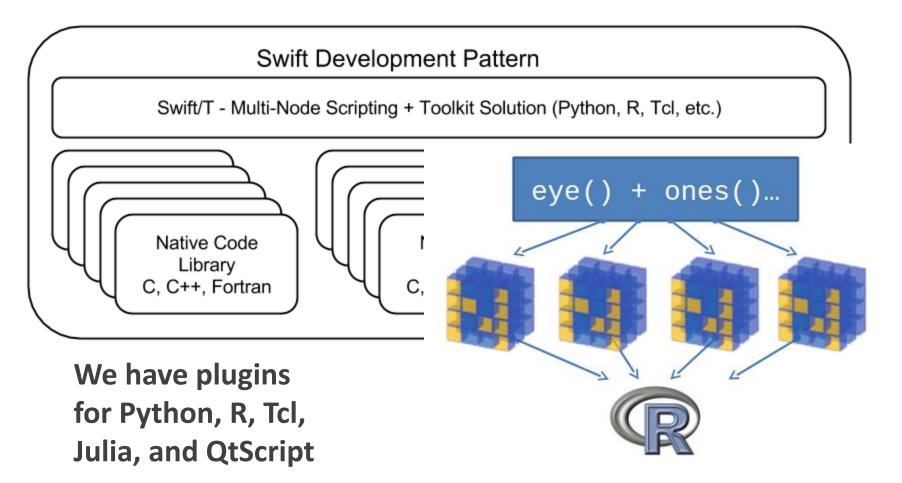
$$A[3] = g(A[2]);$$

Engines: evaluate dataflow operations



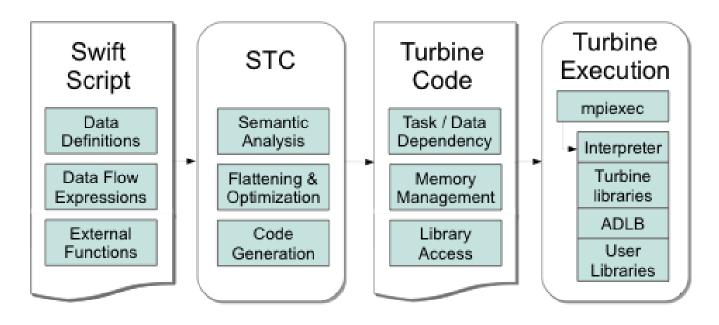
• Wozniak et al. Turbine: A distributed-memory dataflow engine for high performance many-task applications. Fundamenta Informaticae 128(3), 2013

# Support calls to embedded interpreters



• Wozniak et al. Toward computational experiment management via multi-language applications. Proc. ASCR SWP4XS, 2014.

# **STC: The Swift-Turbine Compiler**



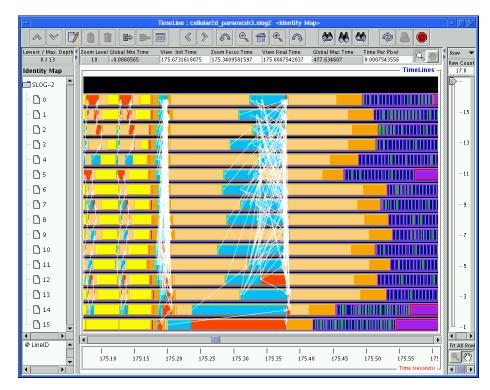
- STC translates high-level Swift expressions into low-level Turbine operations:
- Create/Store/Retrieve typed data
- Manage arrays
- Manage data-dependent tasks
- Wozniak et al. Large-scale application composition via distributed-memory data flow processing. Proc. CCGrid 2013.
- Armstrong et al. Compiler techniques for massively scalable implicit task parallelism. Proc. SC 2014.

# Logging and debugging in Swift

- Traditionally, Swift programs are debugged through the log or the TUI (text user interface)
- Logs were produced using normal methods, containing:
  - Variable names and values as set with respect to thread
  - Calls to Swift functions
  - Calls to application code
- A restart log could be produced to restart a large Swift run after certain fault conditions
- Methods require single Swift site: do not scale to larger runs

# Logging in MPI

- The Message Passing Environment (MPE)
- Common approach to logging MPI programs
- Can log MPI calls or application events can store arbitrary data
- Can visualize log with Jumpshot
- Partial logs are stored at the site of each process
  - Written as necessary to shared file system
    - in large blocks
    - in parallel
  - Results are merged into a big log file (CLOG, SLOG)
- Work has been done optimize the file format for various queries

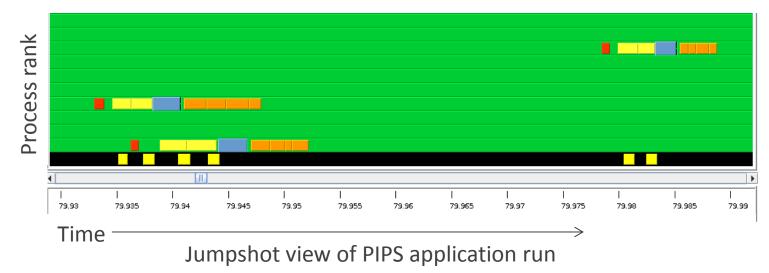


# Logging in Swift & MPI

- Now, combine it together
- Allows user to track down erroneous Swift program logic
- Use MPE to log data, task operations, calls to native code
- Use MPE metadata to annotate events for later queries
- MPE cannot be used to debug native MPI programs that abort
  - On program abort, the MPE log is not flushed from the process-local cache
  - Cannot reconstruct final fatal events
- MPE can be used to debug Swift application programs that abort
  - We finalize MPE before aborting Swift
  - (Does not help much when developing Swift itself)
  - But primary use case is non-fatal arithmetic/logic errors

# Visualization of Swift/T execution

- User writes and runs Swift script
- Notices that native application code is called with nonsensical inputs
- Turns on MPE logging visualizes with MPE

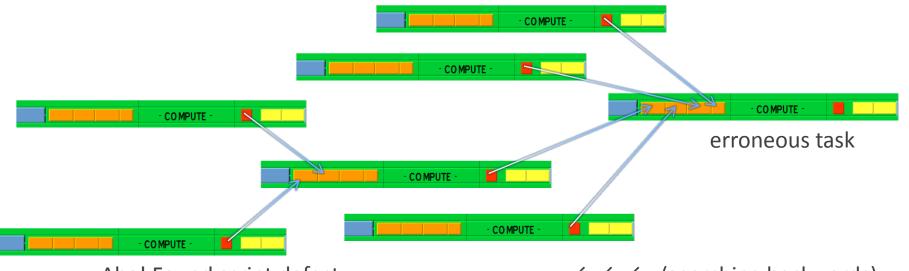


- PIPS task computation Store variable Notification (via control task)
   Blue: Get next task Retrieve variable
   Server process (handling of control task is highlighted in yellow)
- Color cluster is task transition:
- Simpler than visualizing messaging pattern (which is not the user's code!)
- Represents Von Neumann computing model load, compute, store

- COMPUTE -

# **Debugging Swift/T execution**

- Starting from GUI, user can identify erroneous task
  - Uses time and rank coordinates from task metadata
- Can identify variables used as task inputs
- Can trace provenance of those variables back in reverse dataflow



Aha! Found script defect.

 $\leftarrow \leftarrow \leftarrow$  (searching backwards)

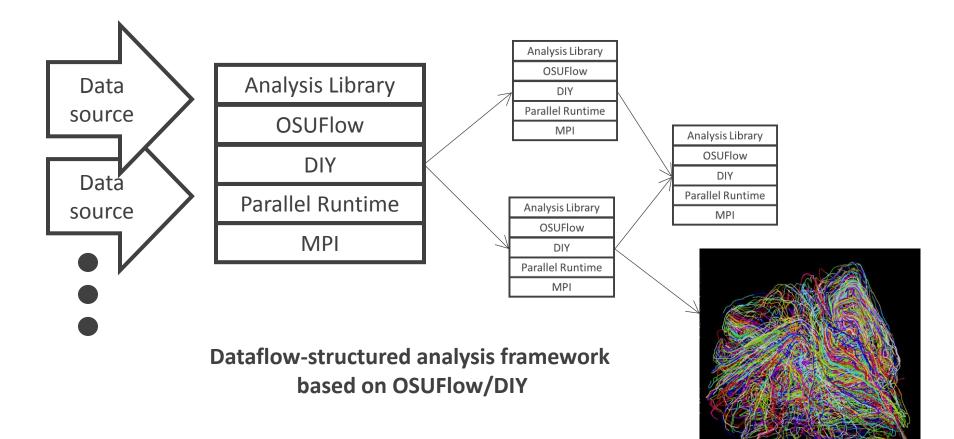
• Wozniak et al. A model for tracing and debugging large-scale taskparallel programs with MPE. Proc. LASH-C at PPoPP, 2013.

# **Other Swift/T features**

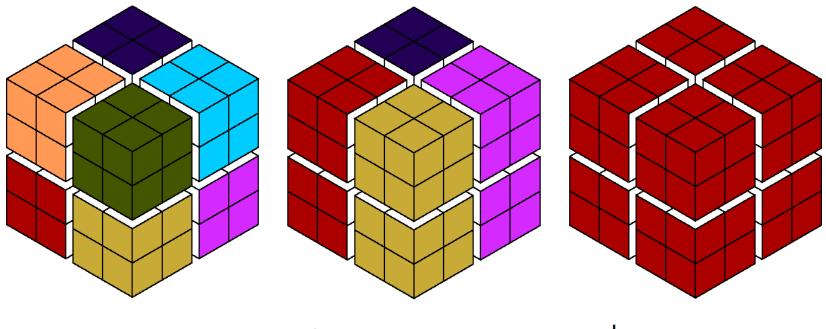
- Task locality: Ability to send a task to a process
  - Allows for big data –type applications
  - Allows for stateful objects to remain resident in the workflow
  - location L = find\_data(D); int y = @location=L f(D, x);
- Task priorities: Ability to set task priority
  - Useful for tweaking load balancing
- Updateable variables
  - Allow data to be modified after its initial write
  - Consumer tasks may receive original or updated values when they emerge from the work queue
  - Wozniak et al. Language features for scalable distributed-memory dataflow computing. Proc. Dataflow Execution Models at PACT, 2014.

# SWIFT/T: MPI TASKS

# Dataflow+data-parallel analysis/visualization



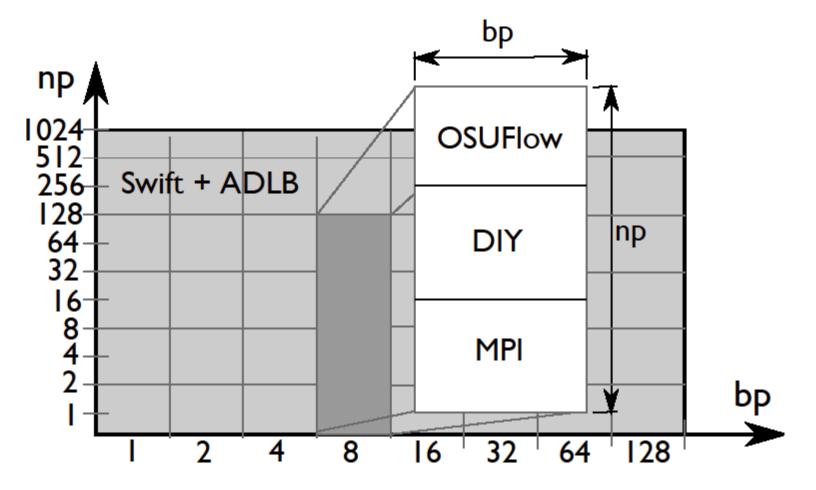
## Parameter optimization for data-parallel analysis: Block factor



8 processes I block per process 4 processes 2 blocks per process l process 8 blocks per process

Can map blocks to processes in varying ways

## Parameter optimization for data-parallel analysis: Process configurations



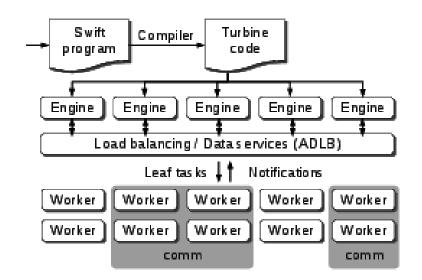
- Try all configurations to find best performance
- Goal: Rapidly develop and execute sweep of MPI executions

# Refresher: MPI\_Comm\_create\_group()

- In MPI 2, creating a subcommunicator was collective over the parent communicator
  - Required global coordination
  - Scalability concern
  - (Could use intercommunicator merges- somewhat slow)
- In MPI 3, the new MPI\_Comm\_create\_group() allows the implementation to assemble the new communicator quickly from a group – only group members must participate
  - In ADLB, servers just pass rank list for new group to workers
- Motivating investigation by Dinan et al. identified fault tolerance and dynamic load balancing as key use cases – both relevant to Swift (Dinan et al., EuroMPI 2011.)

# Parallel tasks in Swift/T

- Swift expression: z = @par=8 f(x,y);
- When x, y are stored, Turbine releases task f with parallelism=8
- Performs ADLB\_Put(f, parallelism=8)
- Each worker performs ADLB\_Get(&task, &comm)
- ADLB server finds 8 available workers
- Workers receive ranks from server
  - Perform MPI\_Comm\_create\_group
- ADLB\_Get() returns: task=f, size(comm)=8
- Workers perform user task
  - communicate on comm
- comm is released by Turbine

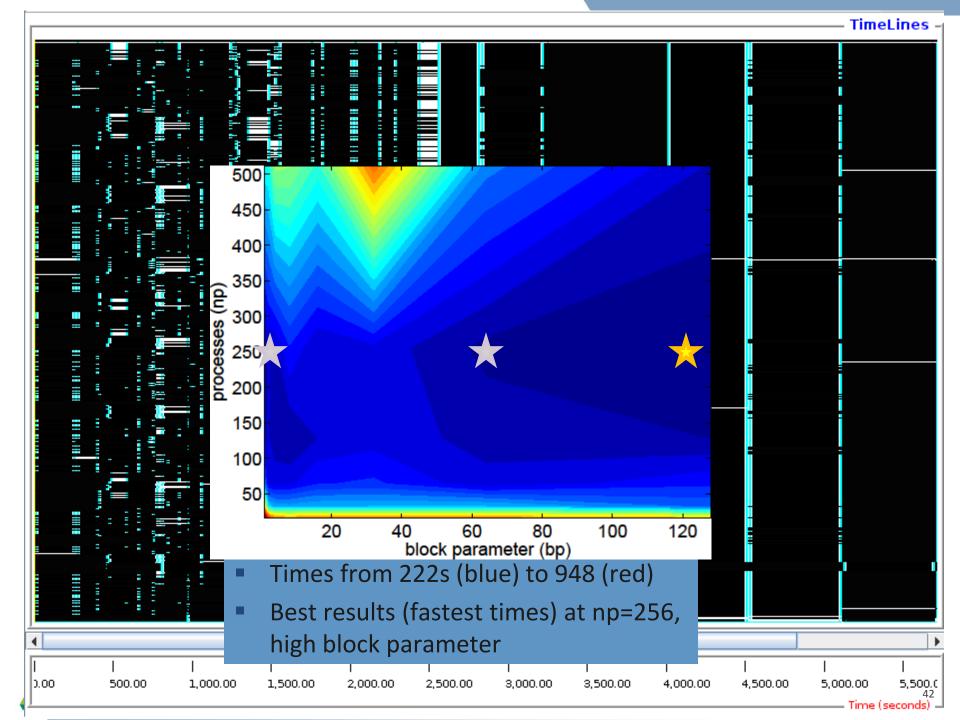


• Wozniak et al. Dataflow coordination of data-parallel tasks via MPI 3.0. Proc EuroMPI, 2013.

# **OSUFlow application**

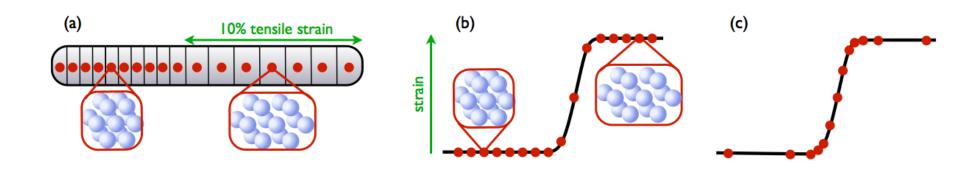
// Define call to OSUFlow feature MpiDraw
@par (float t) mpidraw(int bf) "mpidraw";

```
main {
  foreach b in [0:7] {
    // Block factor: 1-128
    bf = round(2^{**}b);
    foreach n in [4:9] {
      // Number of processes/task: 16-512
      np = round(2^{**}n);
      t = @par=np mpidraw(bf);
      printf("RESULT: bf=%i np=%i -> time=%0.3f",
                      bf, np, t);
    }}
```



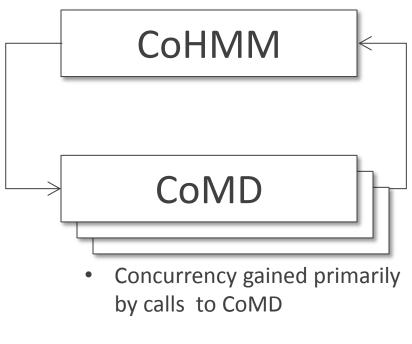
# **SWIFT/T APPLICATIONS**

# ExMatEx: Co-design for materials research



- CoHMM: Heterogeneous Multiscale Method
- CoMD: Molecular Dynamics
- Coarse-grain strain evolution using basic conservation laws
- Fine-grain molecular dynamics as necessary for physical coefficients

### CoHMM/Swift



- 300 lines of sequential C
- Coordinates multiple sequential calls to CoMD
- We rewrote this in Swift

- 1000's lines of sequential C
- Simplified MD simulator
- Typically called as standalone program
- We exposed CoMD as a Swift function – no exec()

# **CoMD: Library access from Swift**

#### CoMD binding: (example-1)

}

```
string s = "-f data/8k.inp.gz";
int N = 3;
foreach i in [0:N-1] {
  float virial_stress = COMDSWIFT_runSim(s);
  printf("Swift: virial_stress: %e",
      virial_stress);
```

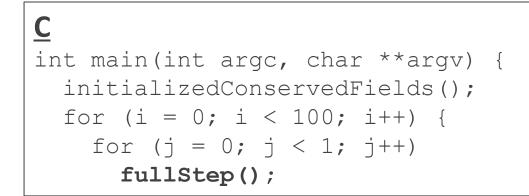
# **CoMD: Library access from CoHMM**

```
<u>C</u>
#define ZERO_TEMP_COMD "../../CoMD/CoMD -x 6 -y 6 -z 6"
#ifdef ZERO_TEMP_COMD
// open pipe to CoMD
FILE *fPipe = popen(ZERO_TEMP_COMD, "r");
if (fPipe == NULL) {
...
```

### <u>Swift</u>

```
#define ZERO_TEMP_COMD "../../CoMD/CoMD -x 6 -y 6 -z 6"
#ifdef ZERO_TEMP_COMD
string command = ZERO_TEMP_COMD;
stressXX = COMDSWIFT_runSim(command);
#else
    // Just the derivative of the zero temp energy wrt A
    stressXX = rho0*c*c*(A-1);
#endif
```

# CoHMM: Translation from C to Swift: main()

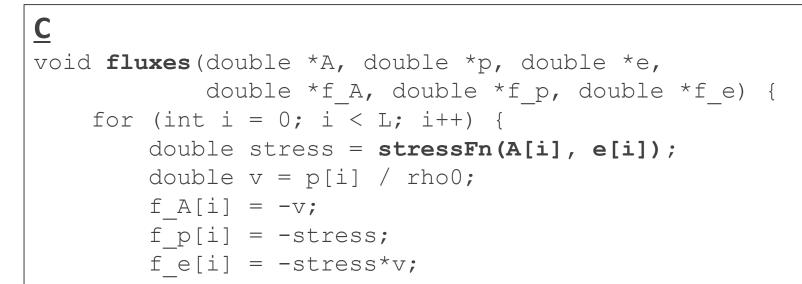


### <u>Swift</u>

```
main {
  (A[0], p[0], e[0]) = initializedConservedFields();
  for (int t = 0; t < 5; t = t+1) {
    (A[t+1], p[t+1], e[t+1]) =
    fullStep(A[t], p[t], e[t]);
</pre>
```



## CoHMM: Translation from C to Swift: call CoMD



### <u>Swift</u>

```
(float f_A[], float f_p[], float f_e[])
fluxes(float A[], float p[], float e[]) {
  foreach i in [0:L-1] {
    float stress = stressFn(A[i], e[i]);
    float v = p[i] / rho0;
    f_A[i] = -v;
    f_p[i] = -stress;
    f_e[i] = -stress*v;
```

# Can we build a Makefile in Swift?

- User wants to test a variety of compiler optimizations
- Compile set of codes under wide range of possible configurations
- Run each compiled code to obtain performance numbers
- Run this at large scale on a supercomputer (Cray XE6)
- In Make you say:

```
CFLAGS = ...
f.o : f.c
gcc $(CFLAGS) f.c -o f.o
```

In Swift you say:

```
string cflags[] = ...;
f_o = gcc(f_c, cflags);
```

# CHEW example code

### <u>Apps</u>

```
app (object_file o) gcc(c_file c, string cflags[]) {
    // Example:
    // gcc -c -O2 -o f.o f.c
```

```
"gcc" "-c" cflags "-o" o c;
```

```
}
```

```
app (x_file x) ld(object_file o[], string ldflags[]) {
// Example:
```

```
// gcc -o f.x f1.o f2.o ...
"gcc" ldflags "-o" x o;
}
```

```
app (output_file o) run(x_file x) {

"sh" "-c" x @stdout=o;

}
```

```
app (timing_file t) extract(output_file o) {
    "tail" "-1" o "|" "cut" "-f" "2" "-d" " " @stdout=t;
```

#### Swift code

string program\_name = "programs/program1.c"; c\_file c = input(program\_name);

// For each
foreach O\_level in [0:3] {
 make file names...
 // Construct compiler flags
 string O\_flag = sprintf("-O%i", O\_level);
 string cflags[] = [ "-fPIC", O\_flag ];

object\_file o<my\_object> = gcc(c, cflags); object\_file objects[] = [ o ]; string ldflags[] = []; // Link the program x\_file x<my\_executable> = ld(objects, ldflags); // Run the program output\_file out<my\_output> = run(x); // Extract the run time from the program output timing\_file t<my\_time> = extract(out);

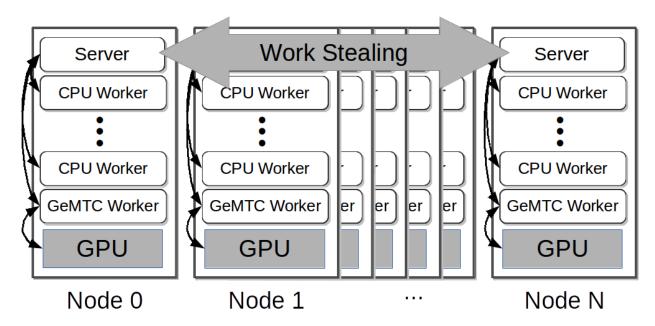
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# Swift Use of GPUs

### GeMTC: GPU-enabled Many-Task Computing

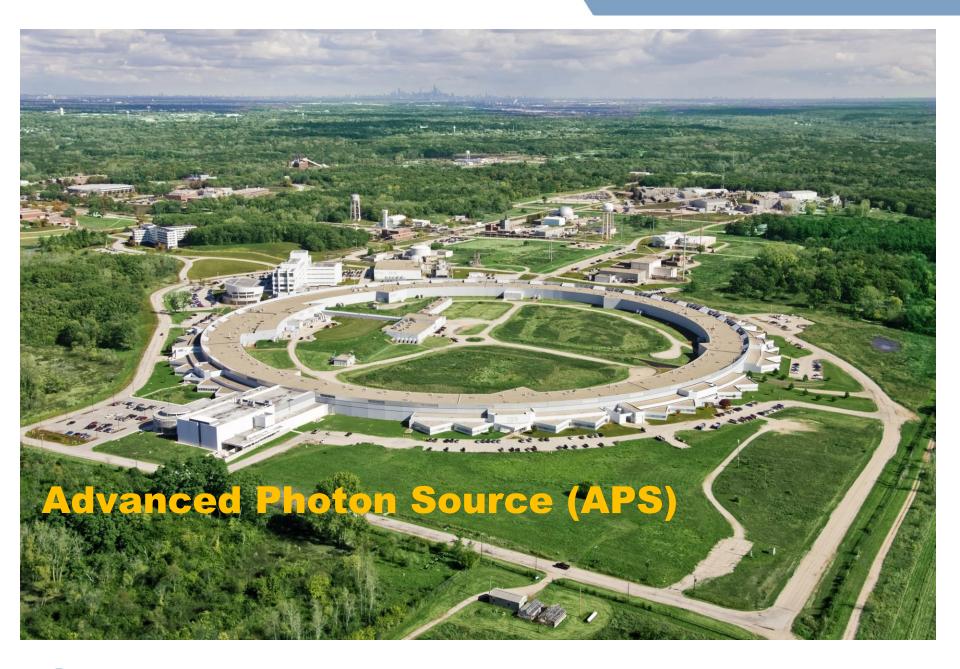
#### Approach:

- 1) Deploy kernel to manage GPU warps
- 2) Manage memory
- 3) Integrate with workflow system (Swift/T)



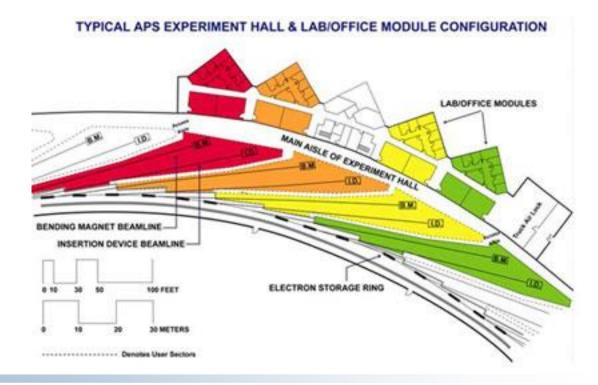
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# DISCOVERY ENGINES LDRD: WORKFLOWS



# **Advanced Photon Source (APS)**

- Moves electrons at electrons at >99.999999% of the speed of light.
- Magnets bend electron trajectories, producing x-rays, highly focused onto a small area
- X-rays strike targets in 35 different laboratories each a lead-lined, radiation-proof experiment station



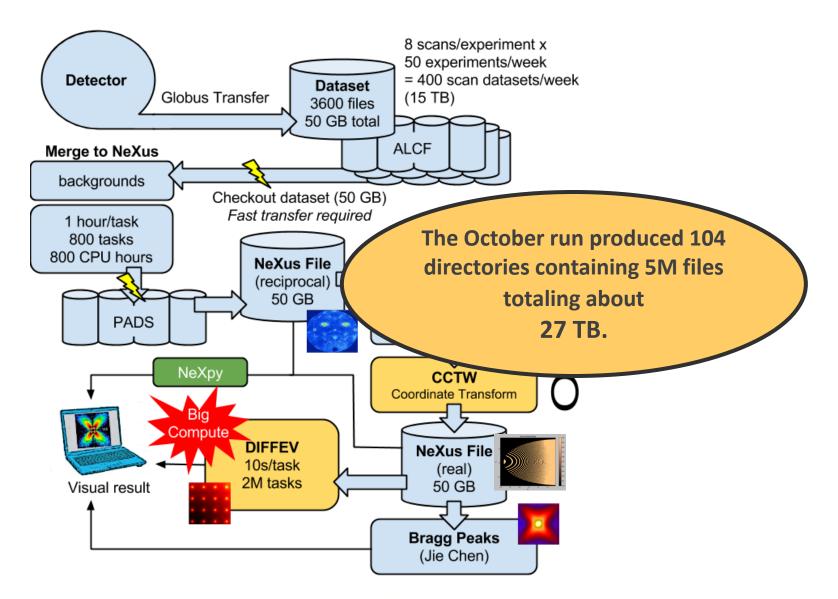
### Data management for the energy sciences

"Despite the central role of digital data in Dept. of Energy (DOE) research, the methods used to manage these data and to support the information and collaboration processes that underpin DOE research are often surprisingly primitive..."

- DOE Workshop Report on Scientific Collaborations (2011)

- Our goals:
  - Modify the operating systems of APS stations to allow real-time streaming to a novel data storage/analysis platform.
  - Converting data from the standard detector formats (usually TIFF) to HDF5 and adding metadata and provenance, based on the NeXus data format.
  - Rewrite analysis operations to work in a massively parallel environment.
  - Scale up simulation codes that complement analysis.

# Data ingest/analysis/archive



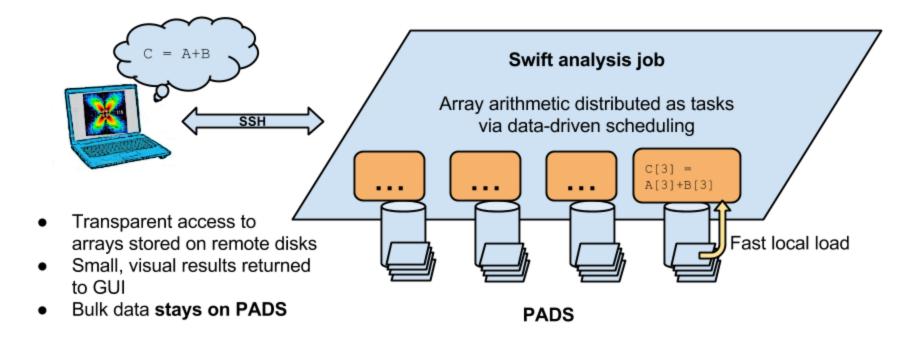
# **PADS: Petascale Active Data Store**

- 23 higher-end nodes for data-intensive computing, repurposed for this work (installed in 2009)
  - Each node has 12-way RAID for very fast local disk operations



- Previously, difficult to use as "Active Data Store"
  - Difficult to access specific nodes through PBS scheduler
  - No catalog (where is my data?)
  - No way to organize/access Data Store!
- Solution: Swift/T
  - Organizes distributed data using Swift data structures and mappers
  - Leaves data on nodes for later access
  - Allows for targeted tasks (can send work to node with data chunk)
  - Integrates with Globus Catalog for metadata, provenance, archive...
  - Combining unscheduled resource access with high performance data rates will allow for real-time beamline data analysis, accelerating progress for materials science efforts

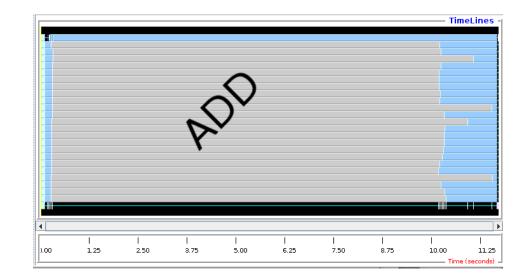
## Interactive analysis powered by scalable storage

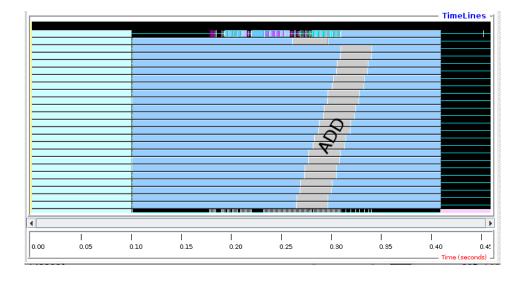


Replace GUI analysis internals with operations on remote data

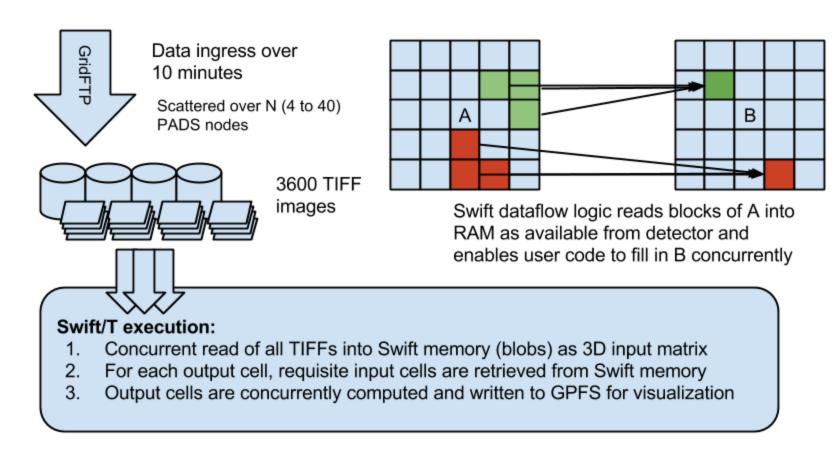
## Remote matrix arithmetic: Initial results

- Initial run shows performance issue: addition took too long
- Swift profiling isolated issue: convert addition routine from script to C function: obtained 10,000 X speedup
- Swift/T integrates with MPE/Jumpshot and other MPI-based performance analysis techniques





# **Crystal Coordinate Transformation Workflow**



MapReduce-like pattern expressed elegantly in Swift

# CCTW: Swift/T application (C++)

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```
bag<blob> M[];
foreach i in [1:n] {
     blob b1= cctw_input("pznpt.nxs");
     blob b2[];
     int outputId[];
     (outputId, b2) = cctw_transform(i, b1);
    foreach b, j in b2 {
          int slot = outputId[j];
          M[slot] += b;
     }}
    foreach g in M {
          blob b = cctw_merge(g);
          cctw_write(b);
     }}
```

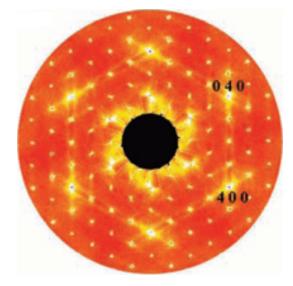


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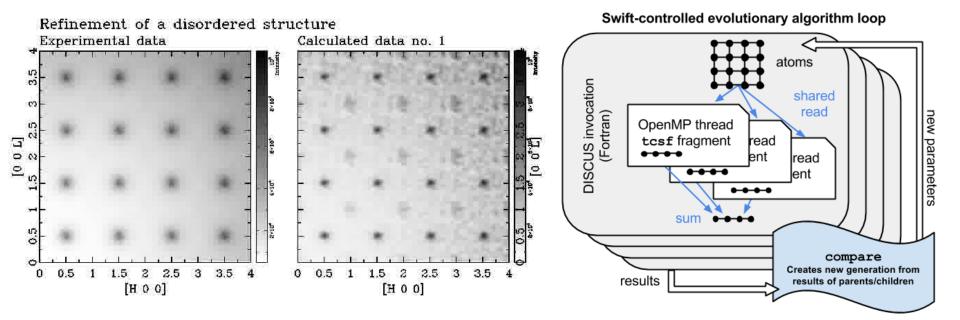
# Diffuse scattering and crystal analysis

- DISCUS is a general program to generate disordered atomic structures and compute the corresponding experimental data such as single crystal diffuse scattering (http://discus.sourceforge.net)
- Given experimental data, can we fit a modeled crystal to the measurement?

 Experimental image: (Billinge, 2006)

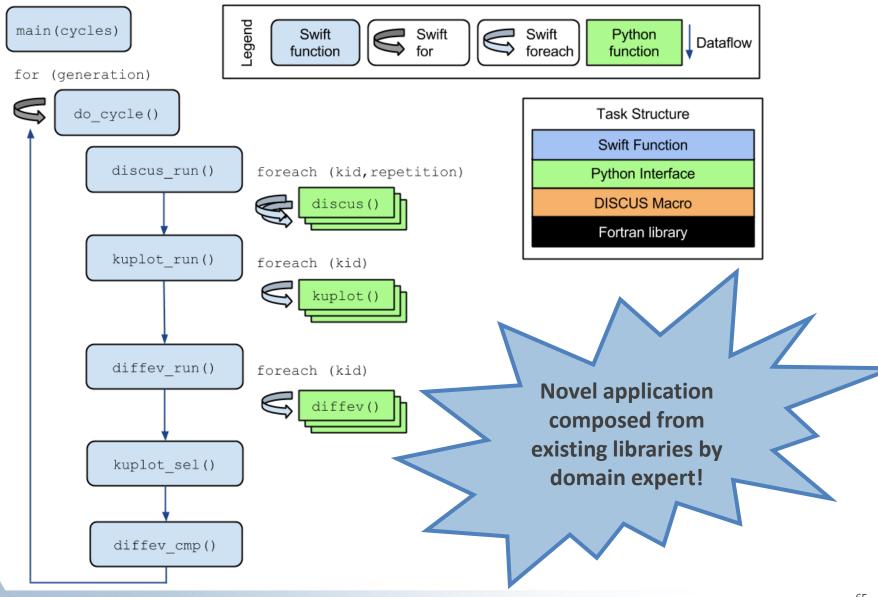


# **DIFFEV: Scaling crystal diffraction simulation**



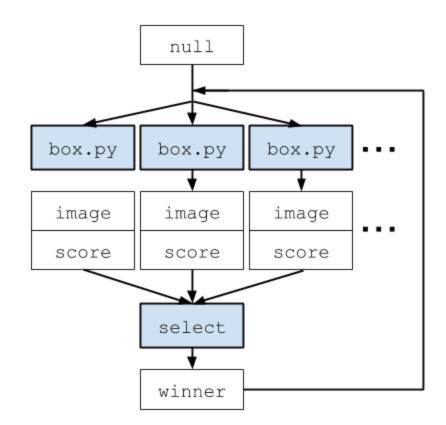
- Determines crystal configuration that produced given scattering image through simulation and evolutionary algorithm
- Swift/T calls DISCUS via Python interfaces

# **DIFFEV: Genetic algorithm via dataflow**

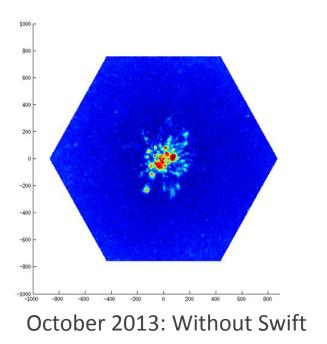


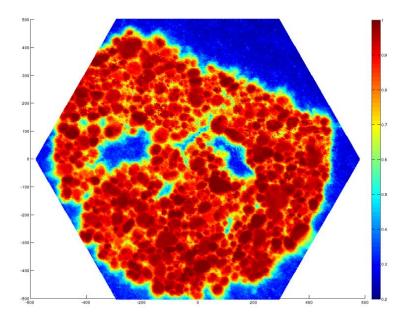
# R. Harder workflow: Genetic algorithm

```
individuals = toint(argv("individuals"));
ngenerations = toint(argv("ngenerations"));
file winners[];
winners[0] = input("null.winner");
for (int generation = 1; generation < ngenerations;
                      generation = generation+1) {
  file population[];
  foreach box index in [0:individuals-1] {
   file d<sprintf("d-%i-%i.out",generation,box index)>;
   file s<sprintf("d-%i-%i.score",generation,box index)>;
   (d,s) = box(box index, generation, winners[generation-1]);
   population[box index] = d;
  file winner_file<sprintf("d-%i.winner", generation)> =
             select(generation, population);
  winners[generation] = winner file;
 }}
```



# **High-Energy Diffraction Microscopy**

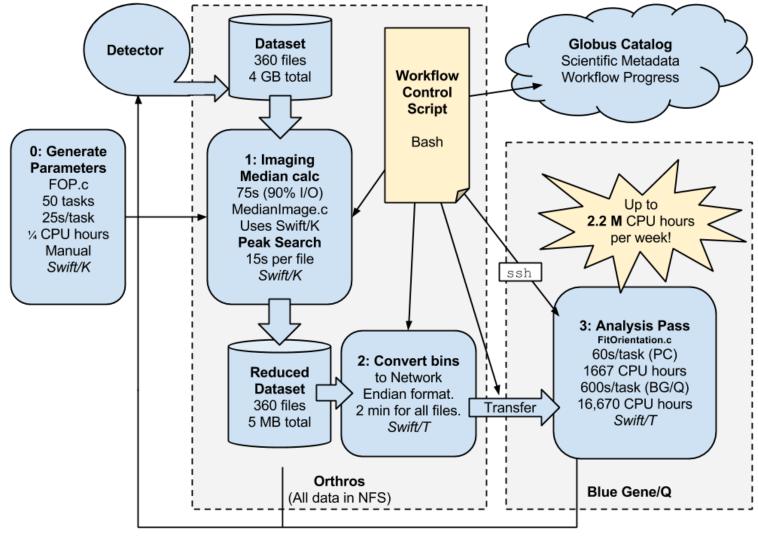




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- Near-field high-energy diffraction microscopy discovers metal grain shapes and structures
- The experimental results are greatly improved with the application of Swift-based cluster computing (RED indicates higher confidence in results)

### **NF-HEDM: Cross-lab workflow**

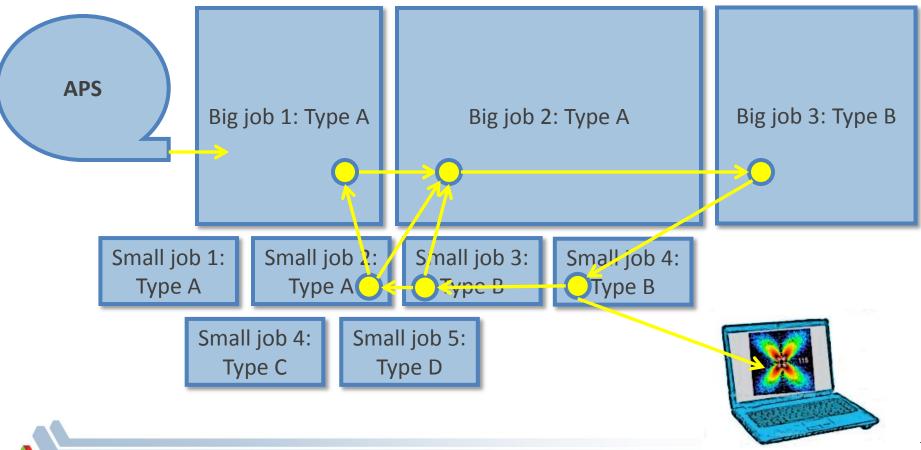


feedback to experiment

# **FUTURE WORK**

# Extreme scale application ensembles

- Develop Swift for exascale experiment ensembles
  - Deploy stateful, varying sized jobs
  - Outermost, experiment-level coordination via dataflow
  - Plug in experiments and human-in-the-loop models (dataflow filters)



# **Future Work**

- Develop Swift for exascale
  - Continue scaling work: Study distributed dataflow for realistic patterns
  - Ease integration with native code
- Application collaborations
  - Materials science: APS (Osborn, Sharma)
  - Molecular dynamics: NAMD (Phillips), LAMMPS (Whitmer)
- Connect with novel systems elsewhere in MCS, ALCF:
  - Memcached (Isaila et al.)
  - Tess (Peterka et al.)
  - Filesystems (Ross et al.)
- Connect with new applications at the CI and elsewhere!

# Summary

- Swift: High-level scripting for outermost programming constructs
  - Handles many aspects of the scientific computing experience
  - Described how dataflow logic is distributed
  - New features for parallel tasks
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- Questions?

