

DAGuE

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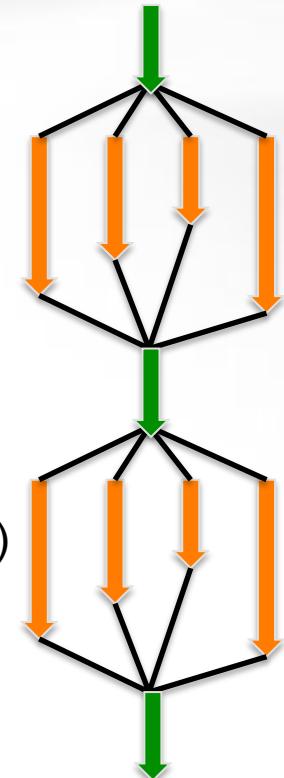
- DAGuE [dag] (like in Prague [prag])
 - Not DAGuE like ragout [rágoō]
 - Not DAGuE like vague [väg]
- Innovative Computing Laboratory,
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Task / Data Flow Computation Framework
 - Dynamic Scheduling
 - Symbolic DAG representation
 - Distributed Memory
 - Many-core / Accelerators



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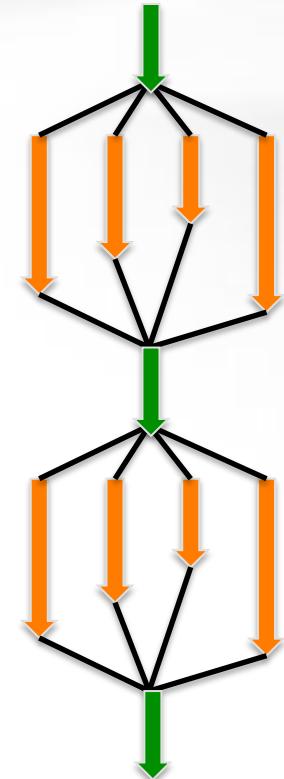
Motivation

- Today software developers face systems with
 - ~1 TFLOP of compute power per node
 - 32+ of cores, 100+ hardware threads
 - **Highly heterogeneous** architectures (cores + specialized cores + accelerators/coprocessors)
 - Deep **memory hierarchies**
 - Today, we deal with thousands of them (plan to deal with millions)
 - → **systemic load imbalance / decreasing use of the resources**
- **How to harness these devices productively?**
 - SPMD produces choke points, wasted wait times
 - We need to improve efficiency, power and reliability



How to Program

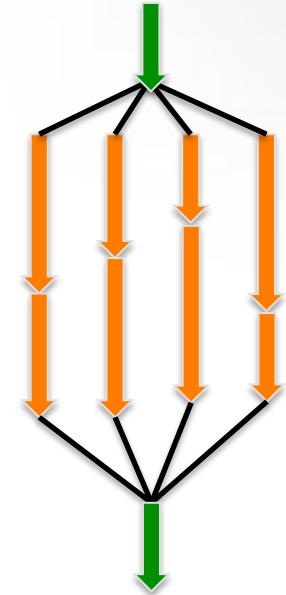
- Threads & synchronization | Processes & Messages
 - Hand written Pthreads, compiler-based OpenMP, Chapel, UPC, MPI, hybrid
- Very challenging to find parallelism, to debug, to maintain and to get good performance
 - *Portably*
 - *With reasonable development efforts*
- When is it time to redesign a software?
- Increasing gaps between the capabilities of today's programming environments, the requirements of emerging applications, and the challenges of future parallel architectures



Goals

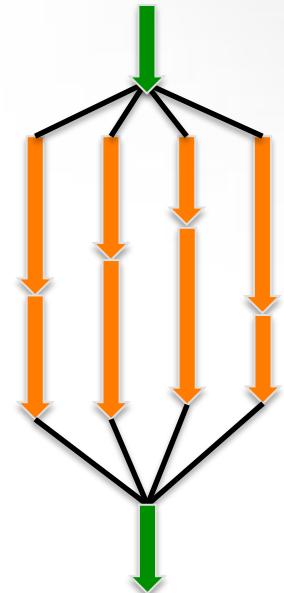
Decouple “System issues” from Algorithm

- Keep the algorithm as simple as possible
 - Depict only the flow of data between tasks
 - *Distributed Dataflow Environment based on Dynamic Scheduling of (Micro) Tasks*
- Programmability: layered approach
 - Algorithm / Data Distribution
 - Parallel applications without parallel programming
- Portability / Efficiency
 - Use all available hardware; overlap data movements / computation
 - Find something to do when imbalance arise

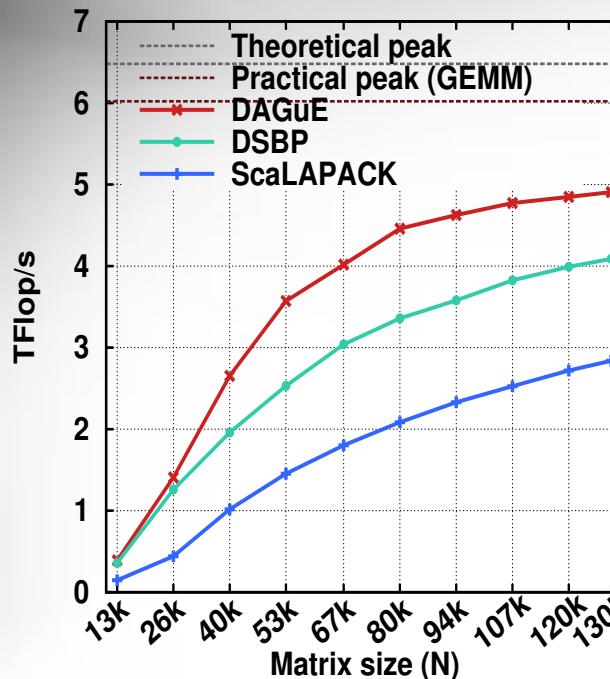


Dataflow with Runtime scheduling

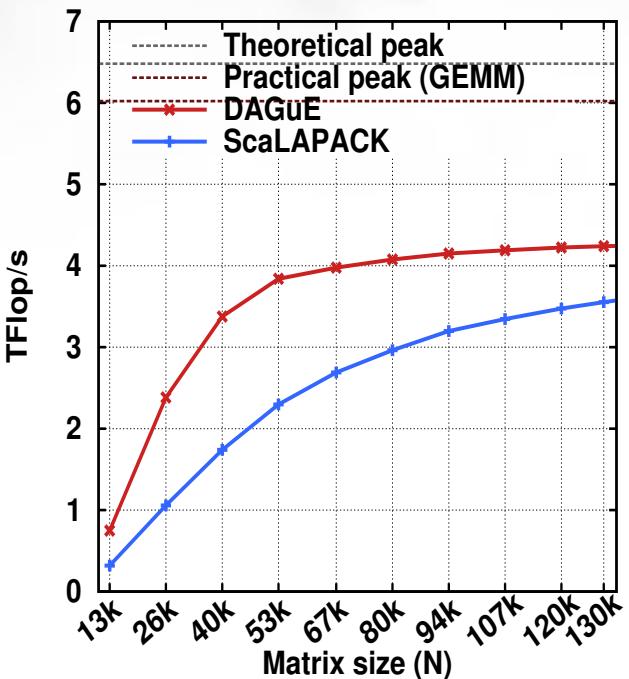
- Algorithms expect help to abstract
 - *Hardware specificities*: a runtime can provide portability, performance, scheduling heuristics, heterogeneity management, data movement, ...
 - *Scalability*: maximize parallelism extraction, but avoid centralized scheduling or entire DAG representation: dynamic and independent discovery of the relevant portions during the execution
 - *Jitter resilience*: Do not support explicit communications, instead make them implicit and schedule to maximize overlap and load balance
- → express the algorithms differently



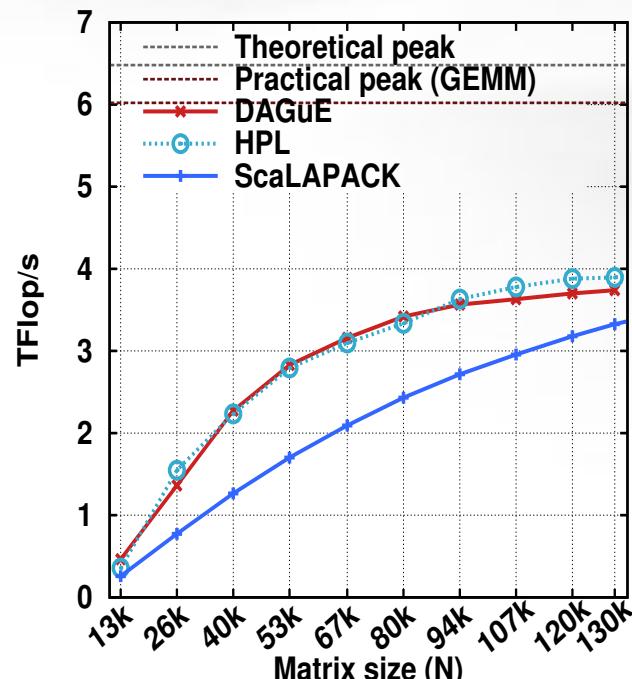
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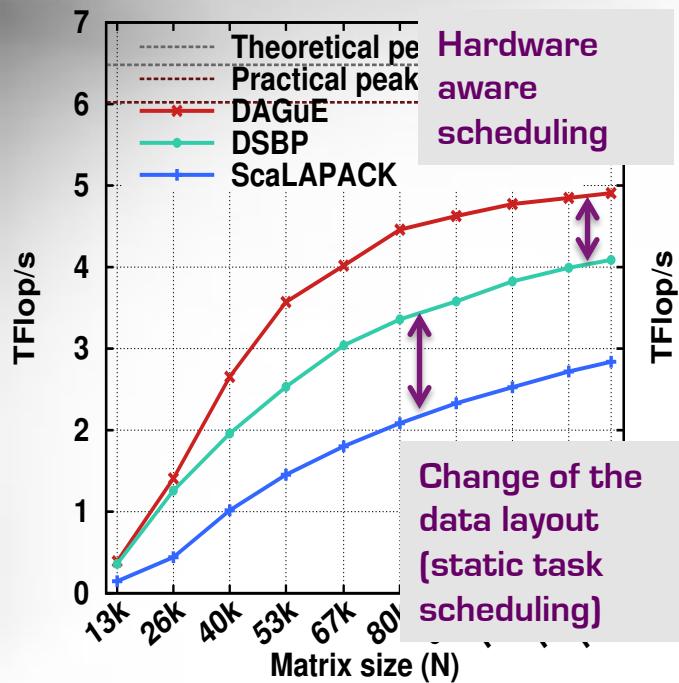


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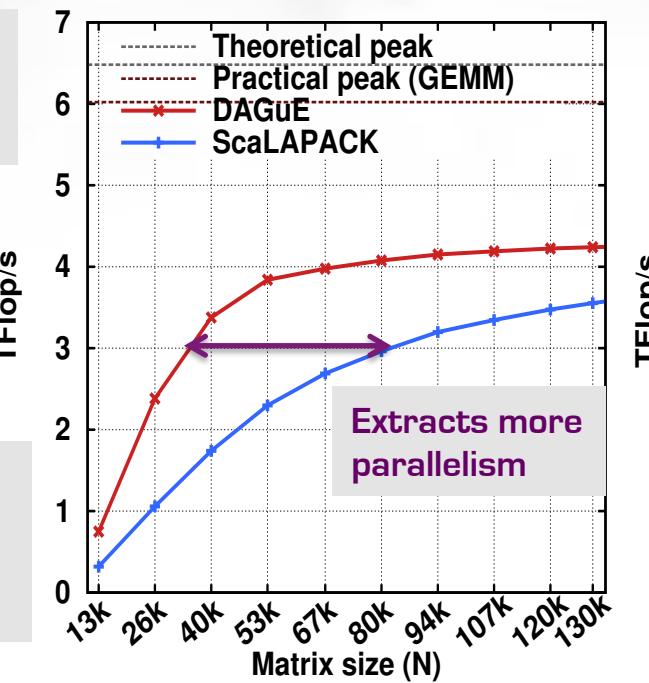
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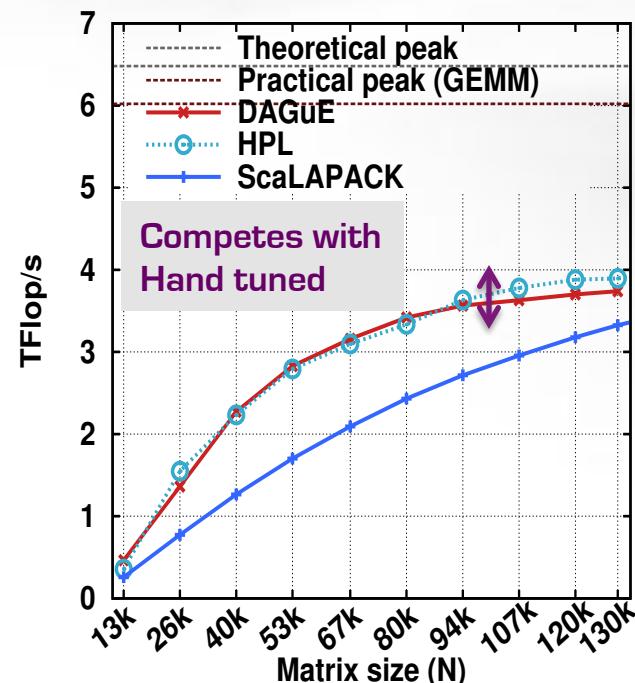
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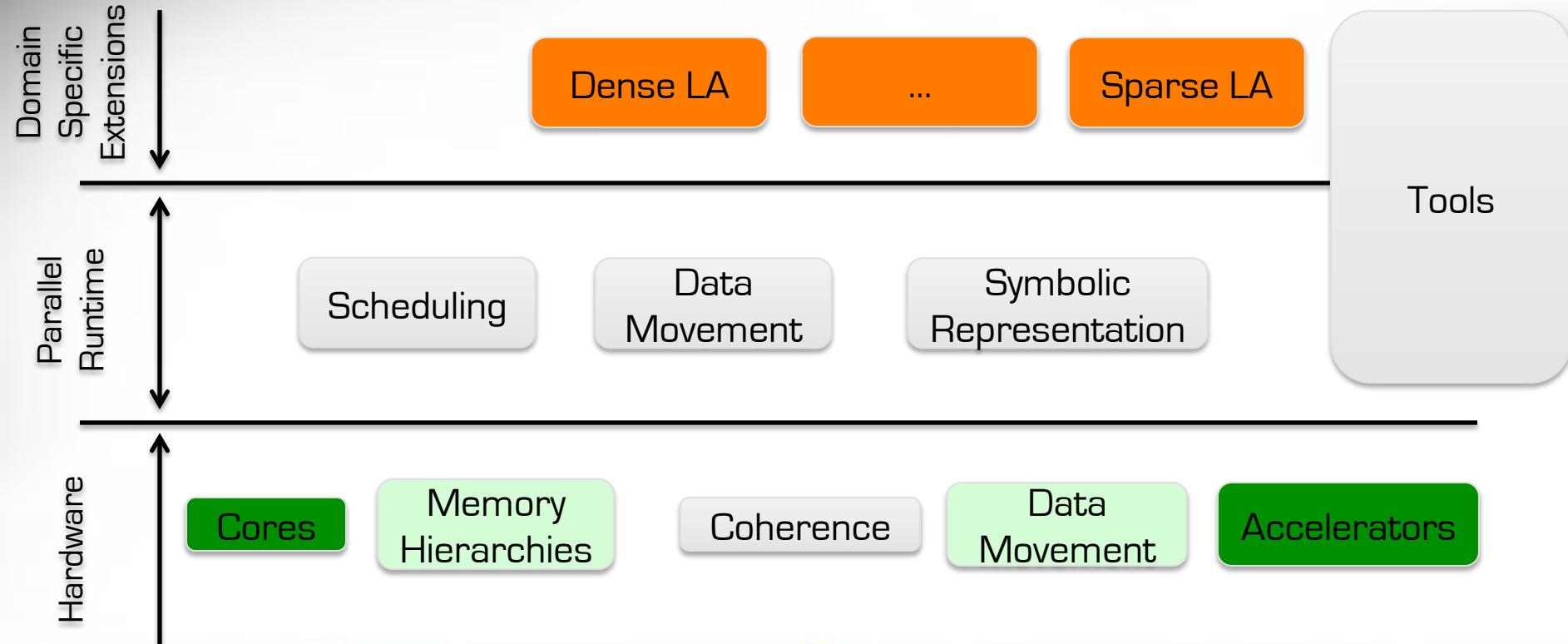


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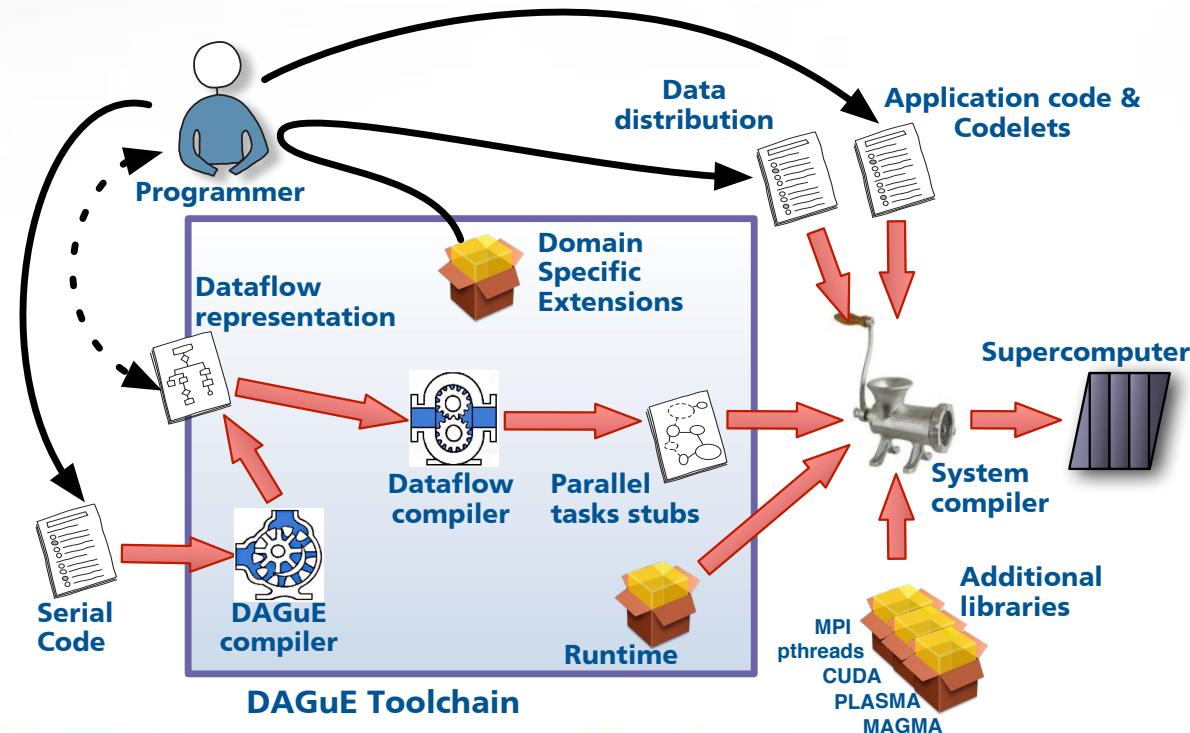
The DAGuE framework



Domain Specific Extensions

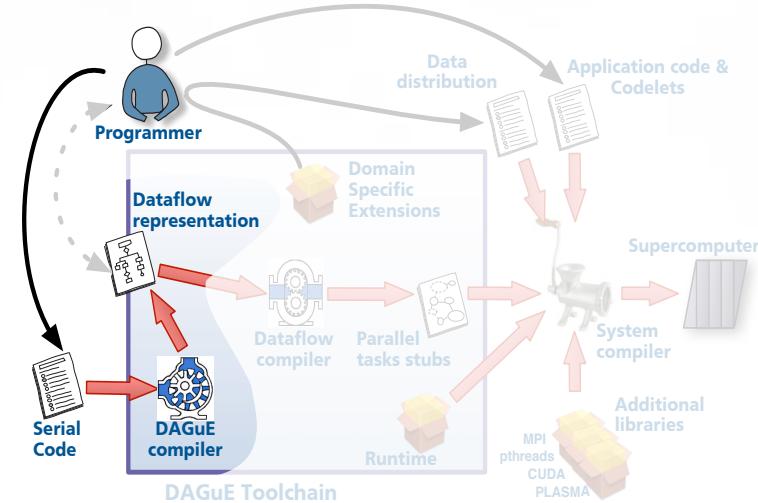
- DSEs ⇒ higher productivity for developers
 - High-level data types & ops tailored to domain
 - E.g., relations, matrices, triangles, ...
 - Prototyping / Meta-Programming
- Portable and scalable specification of parallelism
 - Automatically adjust data structures, mapping, and scheduling as systems scale up
 - Toolkit of classical data distributions, etc

DAGuE toolchain



DAGuE Compiler

Serial Code to Dataflow Representation

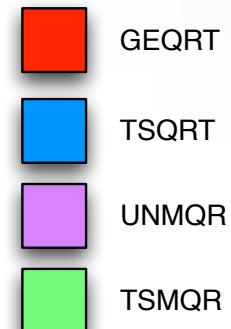
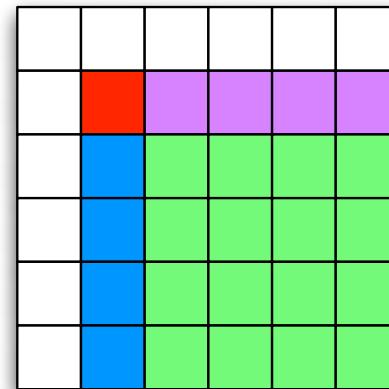


Example: QR Factorization

```
FOR k = 0 .. SIZE - 1
    A[k][k], T[k][k] <- GEQRT( A[k][k] )

    FOR m = k+1 .. SIZE - 1
        A[k][k]|Up, A[m][k], T[m][k] <-
            TSQRT( A[k][k]|Up, A[m][k], T[m][k] )

    FOR n = k+1 .. SIZE - 1
        A[k][n] <- UNMQR( A[k][k]|Low, T[k][k], A[k][n] )
        FOR m = k+1 .. SIZE - 1
            A[k][n], A[m][n] <-
                TSMQR( A[m][k], T[m][k], A[k][n], A[m][n] )
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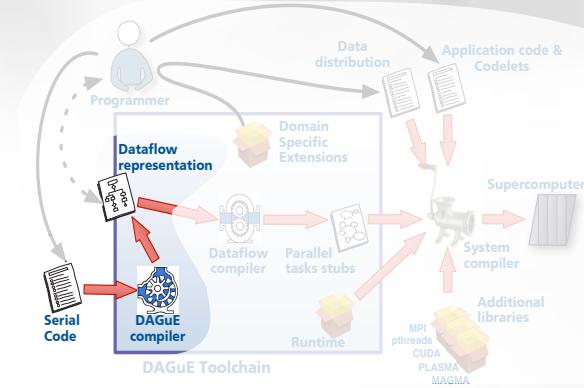
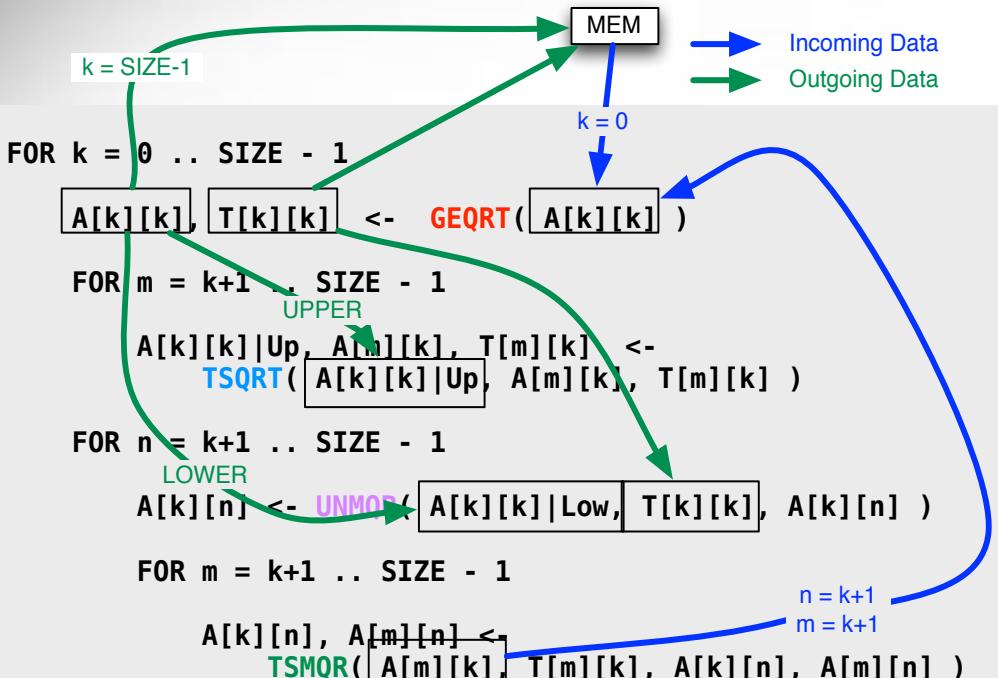


Input Format – Quark (PLASMA)

```
for (k = 0; k < A.mt; k++) {  
    Insert_Task( zgeqrt,  A[k][k],  INOUT,  
                T[k][k],  OUTPUT);  
    for (m = k+1; m < A.mt; m++) {  
        Insert_Task( ztsqrt,  A[k][k],  INOUT | REGION_D|REGION_U,  
                    A[m][k],  INOUT | LOCALITY,  
                    T[m][k],  OUTPUT);  
    }  
    for (n = k+1; n < A.nt; n++) {  
        Insert_Task( zunmqr,  A[k][k],  INPUT | REGION_L,  
                    T[k][k],  INPUT,  
                    A[k][m],  INOUT);  
        for (m = k+1; m < A.mt; m++) {  
            Insert_Task( ztsmqr,  A[k][n],  INOUT,  
                        A[m][n],  INOUT | LOCALITY,  
                        A[m][k],  INPUT,  
                        T[m][k],  INPUT);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- Sequential C code
- Annotated through QUARK-specific syntax
 - `Insert_Task`
 - `INOUT`, `OUTPUT`, `INPUT`
 - `REGION_L`, `REGION_U`, `REGION_D`, ...
 - `LOCALITY`

Dataflow Analysis



- data flow analysis
 - Example on task DGEQRT of QR
 - Polyhedral Analysis through Omega Test
 - Compute algebraic expressions for:
 - Source and destination tasks
 - Necessary conditions for that data flow to exist

Intermediate Representation: Job Data Flow

GEQRT(k)

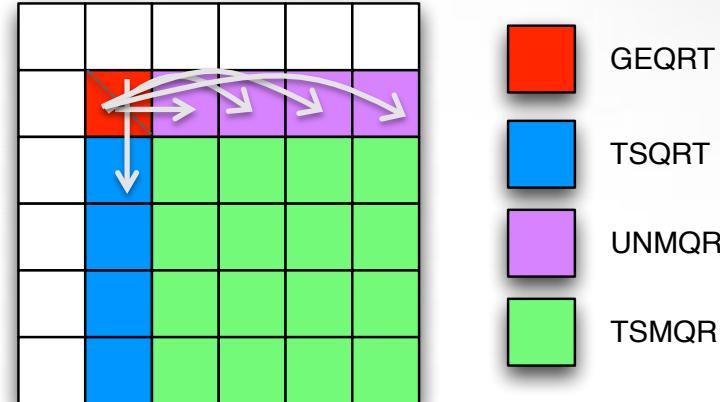
```
/* Execution space */
k = 0..( MT < NT ) ? MT-1 : NT-1 )
/* Locality */
: A(k, k)
RW    A <- (k == 0)      ? A(k, k)
           : A1 TSMQR(k-1, k, k)
           -> (k < NT-1) ? A UNMQR(k, k+1 .. NT-1) [type = LOWER]
           -> (k < MT-1)  ? A1 TSQRT(k, k+1)          [type = UPPER]
           -> (k == MT-1) ? A(k, k)                      [type = UPPER]
WRITE T <- T(k, k)
           -> T(k, k)
           -> (k < NT-1) ? T UNMQR(k, k+1 .. NT-1)
/* Priority */
;(NT-k)*(NT-k)*(NT-k)
```

BODY

zgeqrt(A, T)

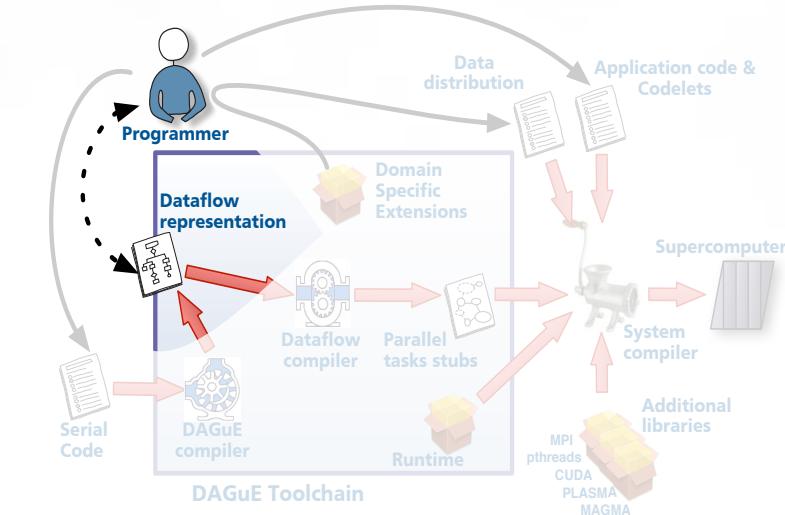
END

Control flow is eliminated, therefore maximum parallelism is possible



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Dataflow Representation

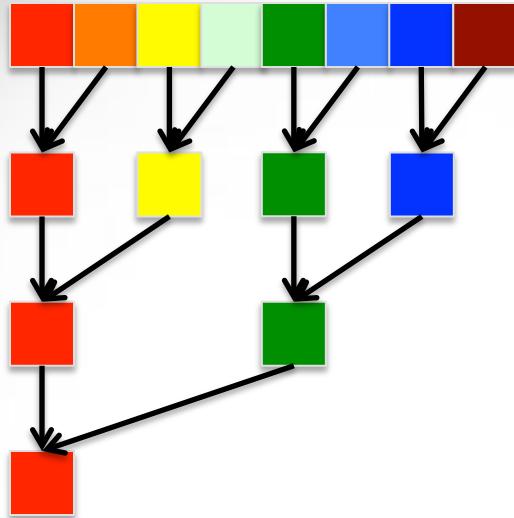


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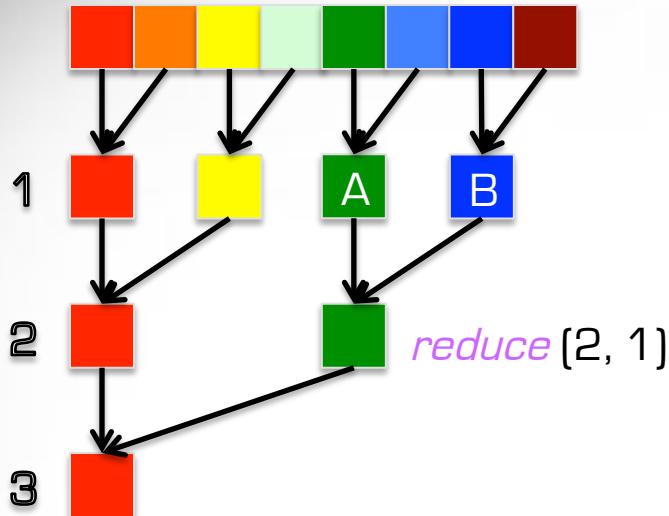


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```
for(s = 1; s < N/2; s = 2*s)
    for(i = 0; i < N-s; i += s)
        operator(V[i], V[i+s])
```

Issue: Non-affine loops lead to non-polyhedral array accessing

Example: Reduction Operation



reduce(l, p)

l = 1 .. depth

p = 0 .. (MT / (1<<l))

: *V*(p * (1<<l))

RW *A* <- (1 == l) ? *V*(2*p)

: *A* *reduce*(l-1, 2*p)

-> (depth == l) ? *V*(0)

-> (0 == (p%2)) ? *A* *reduce*(l+1, p/2)

: *B* *reduce*(l+1, p/2)

READ *B* <- (1 == l) ? *V*(2*p+1)

: *A* *reduce*(l-1, p*2+1)

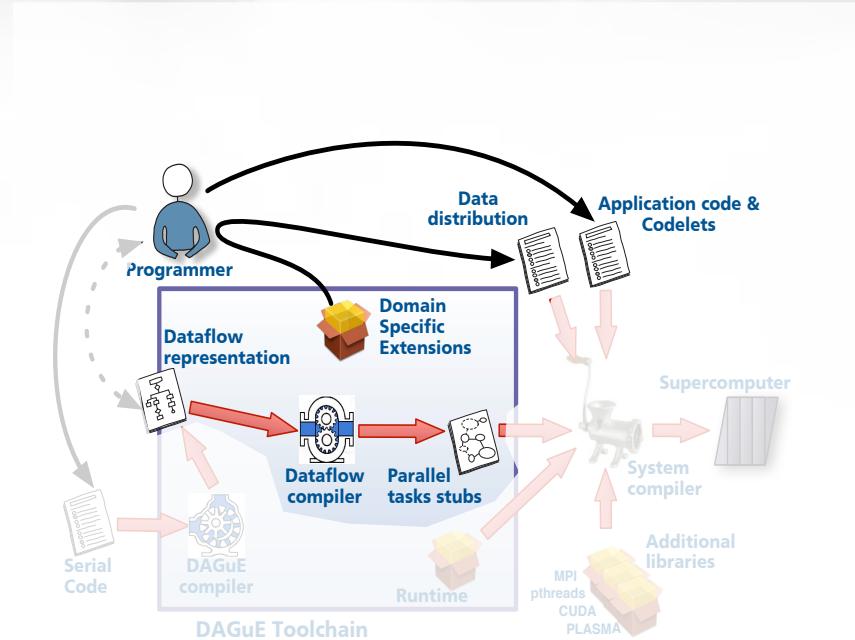
BODY

operator(*A*, *B*);

END

Solution: Hand-writing of the data dependency using the intermediate Data Flow representation

Data Flow Compiler Integration



Data Flow Compiler

- Produces functions to instantiate the DAG object
 - At runtime a DAG object is still problem-size independent, it is just a set of functions to obtain successors or predecessors of tasks, compute the set of initial tasks.

```
dague_object_t *reduce_create(  
    dague_ddesc_t *V,  
    int MT,  
    int depth);
```

reduce(l, p)
l = 1 .. depth
p = 0 .. (MT / (1<<l))

: *V*(p * (1<<l))

```
void reduce_destroy(dague_object_t *o);
```

Data Distribution

- Flexible data distribution
 - Decoupled from the algorithm
 - But can be exposed
 - Expressed as a user-defined function
 - Only limitation: must evaluate uniformly across all nodes
 - Common distributions provided in DSEs
 - 1D cyclic, 2D cyclic, etc.
 - Symbol Matrix for sparse direct solvers
- ```
dague_ddesc_t *V;
V = dague_onedim_bc(
 PTR,
 DAGUE_FLOAT,
 worldsize,
 M);
```

# Main Program

- Traditional MPI program
- Initialize / Finalize DAGuE runtime
- Create DAGuE data descriptors
- Instantiate DAGuE DAG objects with parameters and descriptors
- Enqueue them
- Wait for completion
  - During this time, no MPI call can be issued

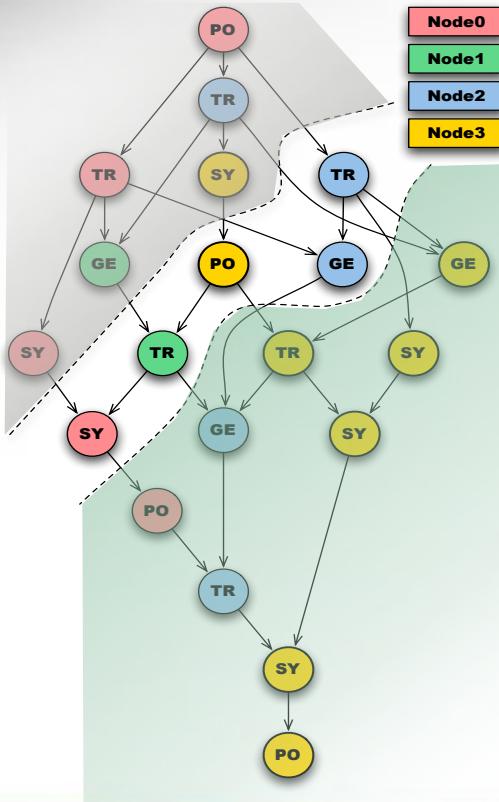
```
int main(...) {
 MPI_Init(...);
 dague_init(cores, worldsize, ...);
 dague_ddesc_t * V = ...;
 dague_object_t * r =
 reduce_create(V, ...);
 dague_enqueue(r);
 dague_wait(r);
 reduce_destroy(r);
 dague_fini();
 MPI_Finalize();
}
```

Algorithm is now expressed as a Parameterized DAG

# Parallel Runtime

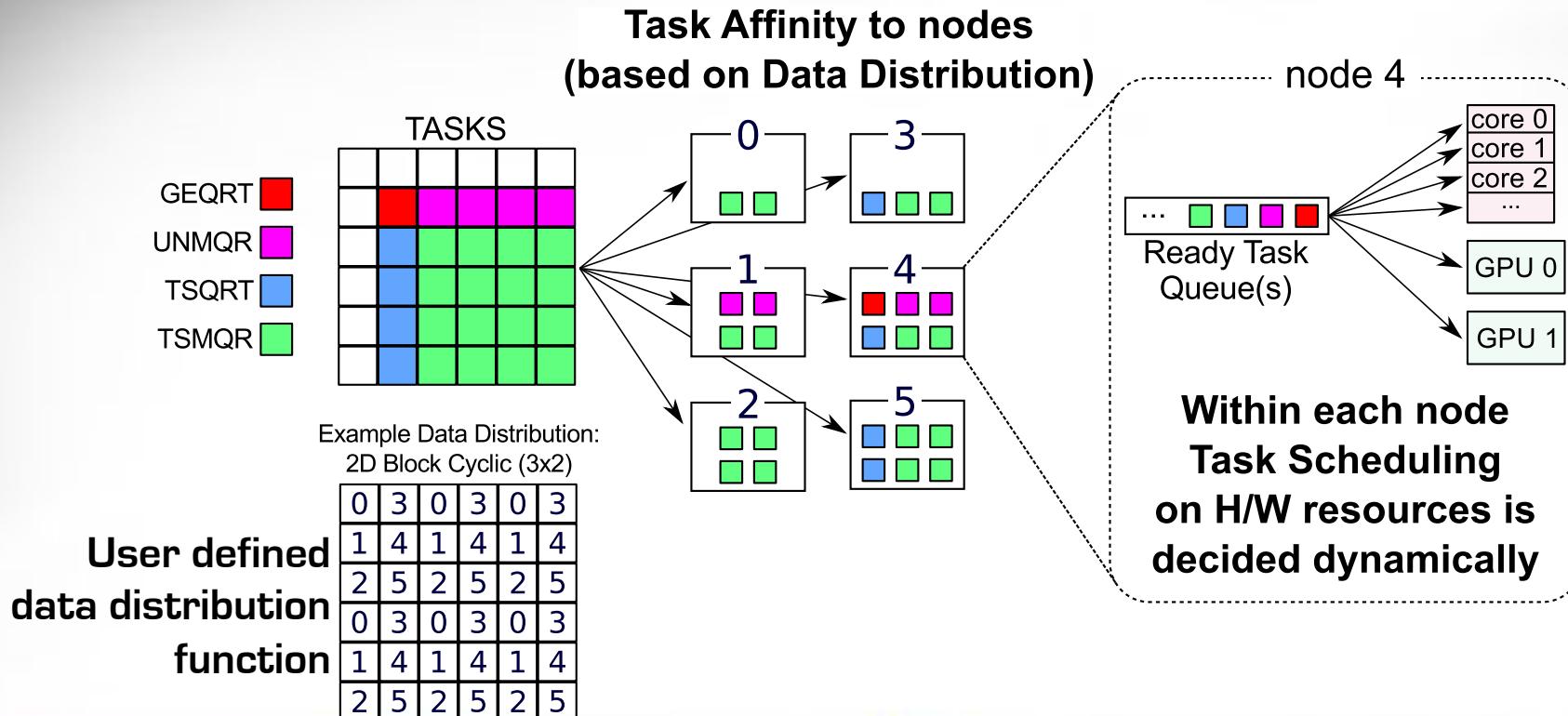
- DAG too large to be generated ahead of time
  - Generate it dynamically
- HPC is about distributed heterogeneous resources
  - Have to get involved in message passing
  - Distributed management of the scheduling
  - Dynamically deal with heterogeneity

# Runtime DAG scheduling



- Every process has the **symbolic DAG** representation
  - Only the (node local) frontier of the DAG is considered
  - Distributed Scheduling based on **remote completion** notifications
- Background remote **data transfer automatic with overlap**
- NUMA / Cache aware Scheduling
  - Work Stealing and sharing based on memory hierarchies

# Dynamic / Static



# Scheduling Heuristics in DAGuE

- Manages parallelism & locality
  - Achieve efficient execution (performance, power, ...)
  - Handles specifics of HW system (hyper-threading, NUMA, ...)
- Per-object capabilities
  - Read-only or write-only, output data, private, relaxed coherence
  - DAGuE engine tracks data usage, and targets to **improve data reuse**
  - **NUMA aware** hierarchical bounded buffers to implement **work stealing**
- **Users hints:** expressions for distance to **critical path**
  - Selection from local waiting queue abides to priority, but work stealing can alter this ordering due to locality
- Communications heuristics
  - **Communications inherits priority** of destination task
- Algorithm defined scheduling

# PTG vs DAG Unrolling

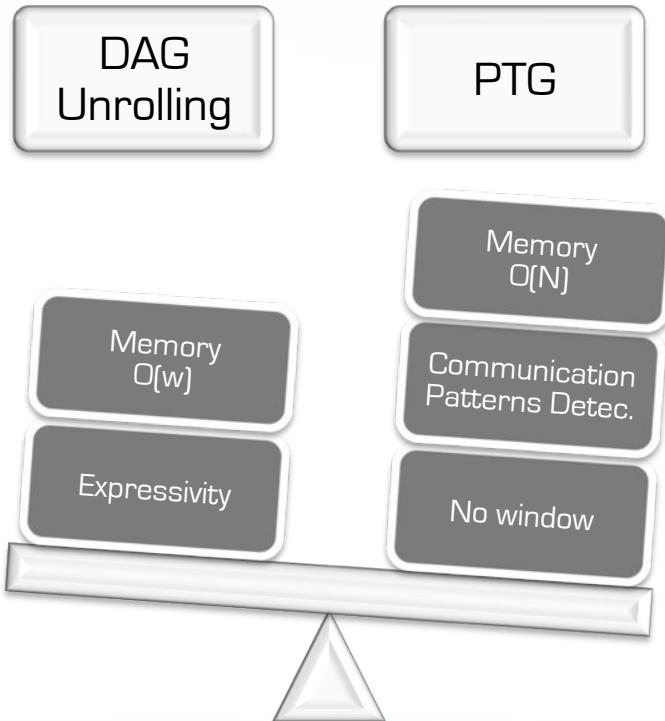
## DAG Unrolling

- Discover the DAG while unrolling a sequential code
- StarPU, SMP\*, PLASMA, ... popular approach
- Window-Based (the DAG is huge)

## Parameterized Task Graph

- DAGuE, PTG approach
- Problem-size independent object represents the whole DAG
- Given a task (the parameters of a terminated task), can compute the successors in  $O(d)$  ( $O(1)$ )
- From these successors, can keep only the local & ready ones

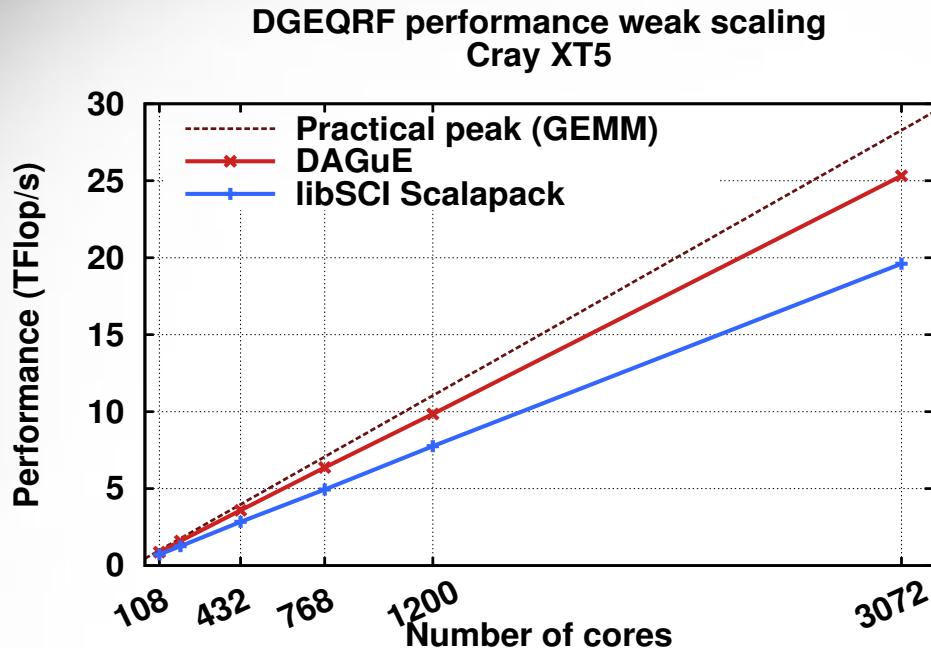
# PTG vs DAG Unrolling (2)



Performance; Ongoing Work

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# Scalability in Distributed Memory



- Parameterized Task Graph representation
  - Independent distributed scheduling
- Scales well

# Heterogeneity Support

```
/* POTRF Lower case */
GEMM(k, m, n)

// Execution space
k = 0 .. MT-3
m = k+2 .. MT-1
n = k+1 .. m-1

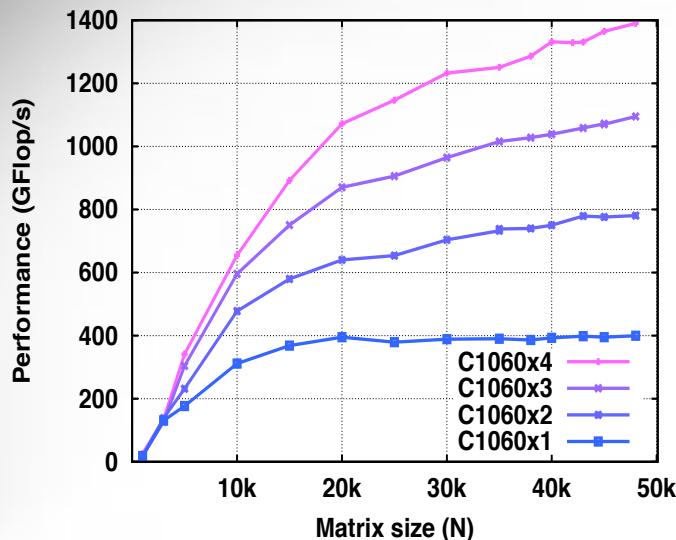
// Parallel partitioning
: A(m, n)

// Parameters
READ A <- C TRSM(m, k)
READ B <- C TRSM(n, k)
RW C <- (k == 0) ? A(m, n) : C GEMM(k-1, m, n)
 -> (n == k+1) ? C TRSM(m, n) : C GEMM(k+1, m, n)

BODY [CPU, CUDA, MIC, *]
```

- A BODY is a task on a specific device (codelet)
- Currently the system supports CUDA and cores
- A CUDA device is considered as one additional memory level
- Data locality and data versioning define the transfers to and from the GPU/Co-processors

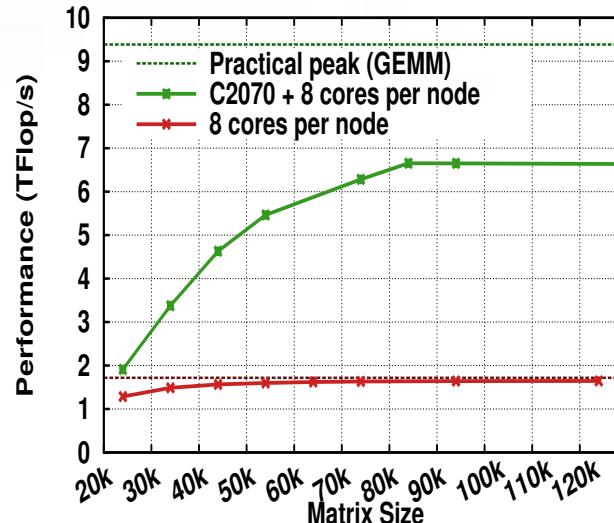
- Multi GPU – single node



- Single node
- 4xTesla (C1060)
- 16 cores (AMD opteron)

- Multi GPU - distributed

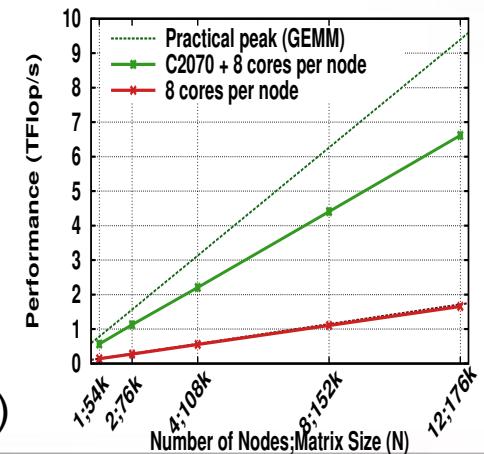
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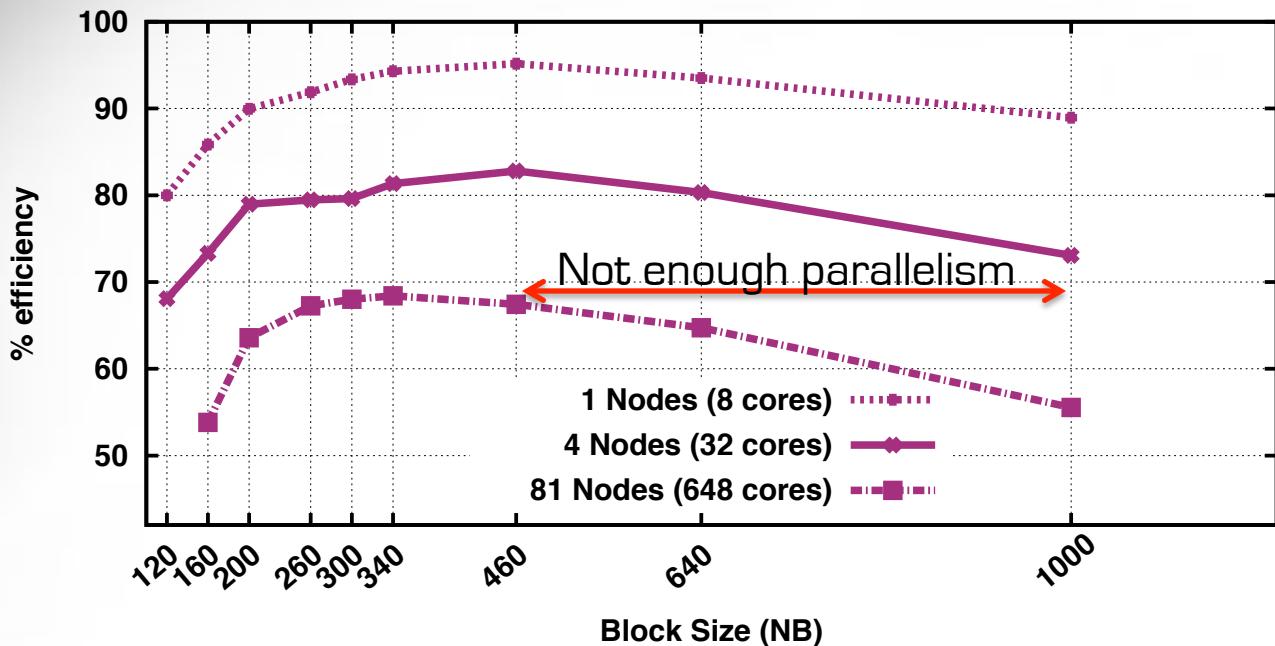
- 12 nodes
- 12xFermi (C2070)
- 8 cores/node (Intel core2)

Scalability

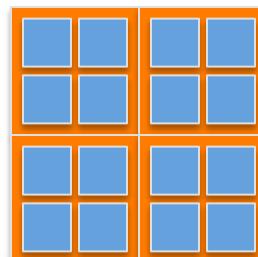
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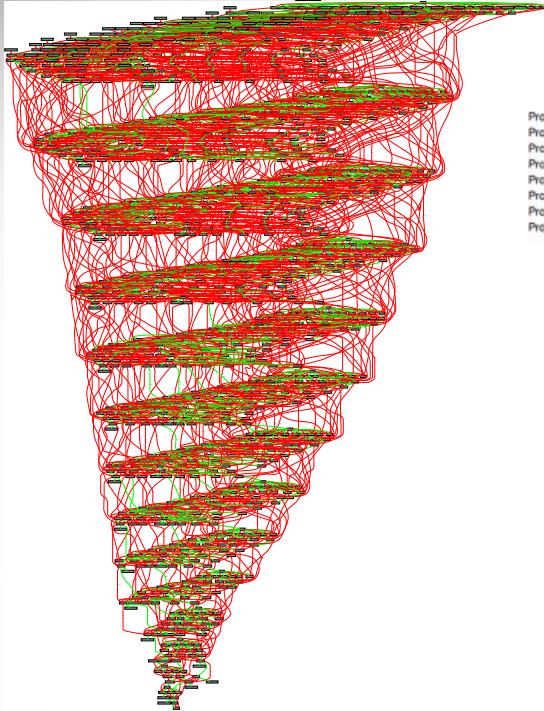
# Auto-tuning



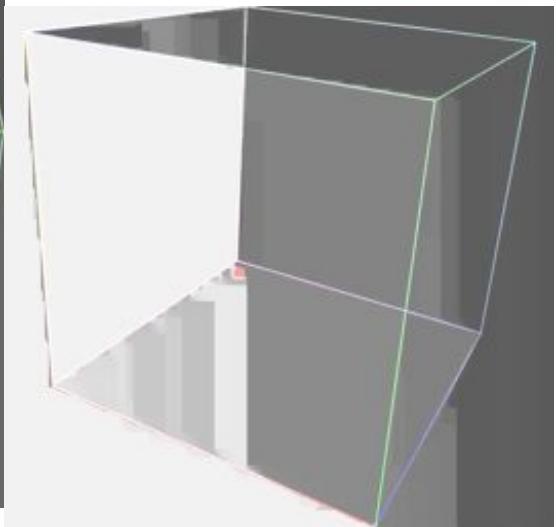
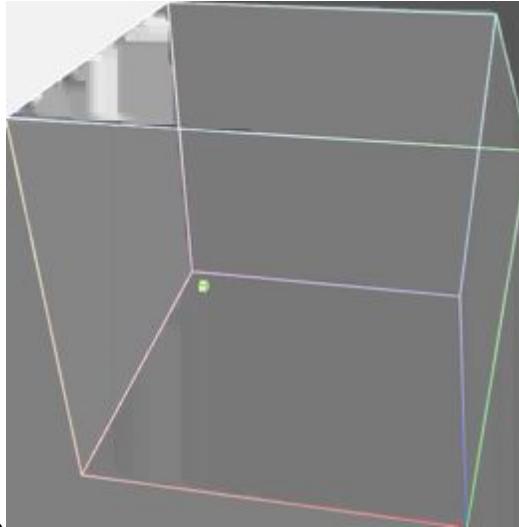
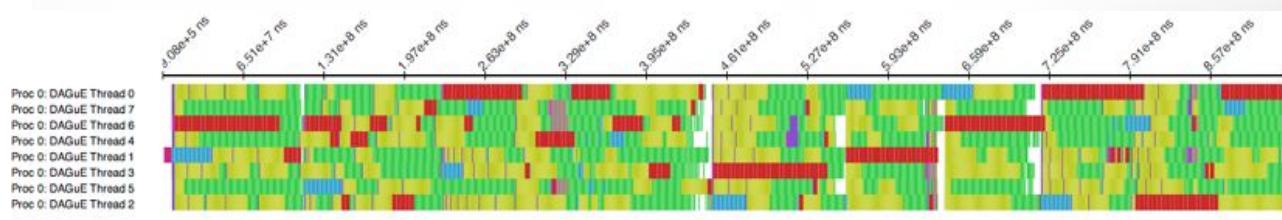
- Multi-level tuning
  - Tune the kernels based on local architecture
  - Then tune the algorithm
- Depends on the network, type and number of cores
- For a fixed size matrix increasing the task duration (or the tile size) decrease parallelism
- For best performance: auto-tune per system



# Analysis Tools

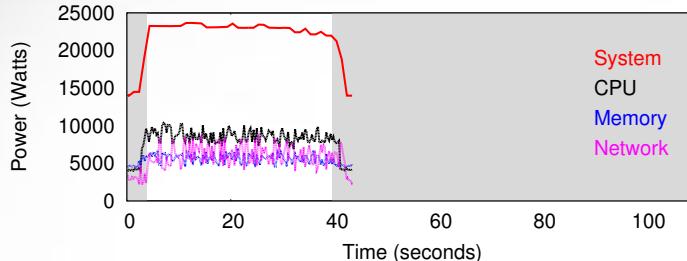


Hermitian Band Diagonal; 16x16 tiles

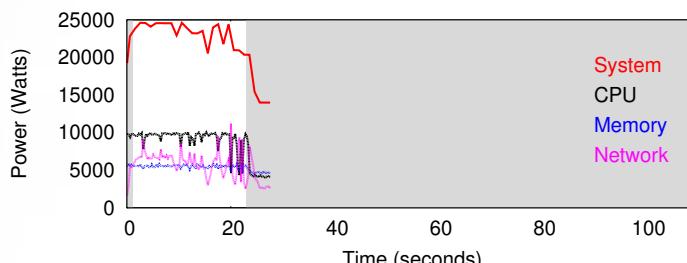


# Energy efficiency

QR factorization (256 cores)



(a) ScaLAPACK.



(b) DPLASMA.

Total energy consumption

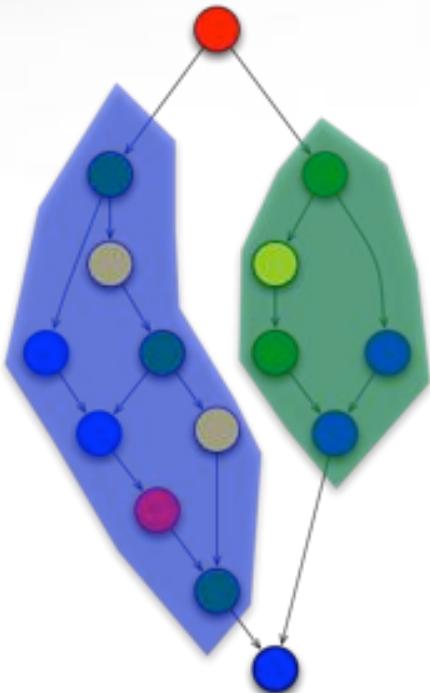
| # Cores | Library   | Cholesky | QR      |
|---------|-----------|----------|---------|
| 128     | ScalAPACK | 192000   | 672000  |
|         | DPLASMA   | 128000   | 540000  |
| 256     | ScalAPACK | 240000   | 816000  |
|         | DPLASMA   | 96000    | 540000  |
| 512     | ScalAPACK | 325000   | 1000000 |
|         | DPLASMA   | 125000   | 576000  |

Work in progress with Hatem Ltaief

- Energy used depending on the number of cores
- Up to 62% more energy efficient while using a high performance tuned scheduling
  - Power efficient scheduling

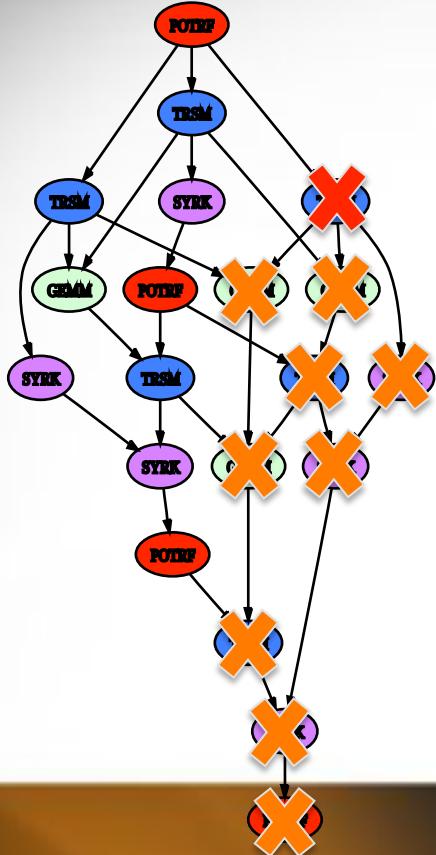
*SystemG: Virginia Tech Energy Monitored cluster [ib40G, intel, 8cores/node]*

# (Runtime) Choice



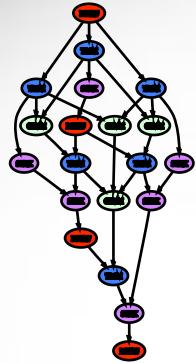
- Take one of the two branches
- “cancel” the branch that was not taken
  - Remember the choices in the `dague_object`
  - Broadcast the choices for distributed runs

# Resilience



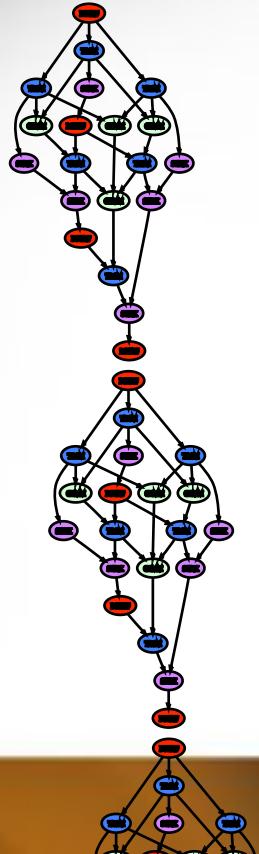
- The fault propagate in the system based on the data dependencies
  - However, if the original data can be recovered, the execution complete without user interaction
  - Automatic recovery made simple

# Composition



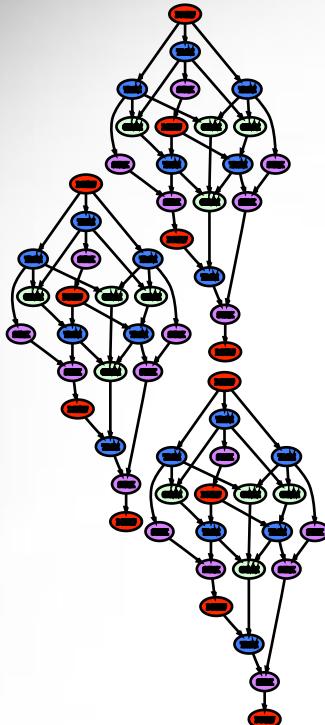
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Related Work

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# Other Systems

|              | DAGue                                  | SMPs                   | StarPU                 | ++ Charm                  | FLAME                | QUARK                  | Tblas                  | PTG        |
|--------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Scheduling   | Distr.<br>(1/core)                     | Repl<br>(1/node)       | Repl<br>(1/node)       | Distr.<br>(Actors)        | w/<br>SuperMatrix    | Repl<br>(1/node)       | Centr.                 | Centr.     |
| Language     | Internal<br>or Seq. w/<br>Affine Loops | Seq.<br>w/<br>add_task | Seq.<br>w/<br>add_task | Msg-<br>Driven<br>Objects | Internal<br>(LA DSL) | Seq.<br>w/<br>add_task | Seq.<br>w/<br>add_task | Internal   |
| Accelerator  | GPU                                    | GPU                    | GPU                    |                           | GPU                  | GPU                    |                        |            |
| Availability | Public                                 | Public                 | Public                 | Public                    | Public               | Public                 | Not Avail.             | Not Avail. |

Early stage: ParalleX

Non-academic: Swarm, MadLINQ, CnC

All projects support Distributed and Shared Memory  
 [QUARK with QUARKd; FLAME with Elemental]

# History: Beginnings of Data Flow

- “*Design of a separable transition-diagram compiler*”, M.E. Conway, Comm. ACM, 1963
  - Coroutines, flow of data between process
- J.B. Dennis, 60’s
  - Data Flow representation of programs
  - Reasoning about parallelism, equivalence of programs, ...
- “The semantics of a simple language for parallel programming”, G. Kahn
  - Kahn Networks

# Conclusion

- Programming made easy(ier)
  - Portability: inherently take advantage of all hardware capabilities
  - Efficiency: deliver the best performance on several families of algorithms
  - Higher-level programming:

*New languages should not strive to transform the easy into trivial,  
but to transform the impracticable into achievable.*
- Computer scientists were spoiled by MPI
  - Now let's think about our users
- Let different people focus on different problems
  - Application developers on their algorithms
  - System developers on system issues

The end

**Dague /däg/ (French): a short and sharp knife used for a wide variety of purposes**