PUMIPIC Parallel Unstructured Mesh Infrastructure for Particle-in-Cell

Parallel management of unstructured meshes with particles. Framework for GPU accelerated particle-in-cell applications using unstructured meshes.

Core functionality

- Unstructured mesh-based approach
 - Particles accessed through mesh
 - Particle search through mesh adjacencies
 - Effective coupling to PDE solvers
 - Partitioning using bounding flux surfaces, graph, or geometric methods
 - PICpart: owned elements (defined by partition) + copied elements from topologically or spatially neighboring processes
 - Stored on GPU using Omega_h library: github.com/SNLComputation/omega_h
- Particles
 - Supports multiple species each with distinct combinations of 'Plain Old Data' per particle
 - Group particles by the mesh element that they are spatially located within
 - Multiple choices for particle storage using abstraction layer: Sell-C-Sigma [Kreutzer 2014], COPA Cabana, and CSR.
- Parallel kernel launch function abstracts underlying particle and mesh storage

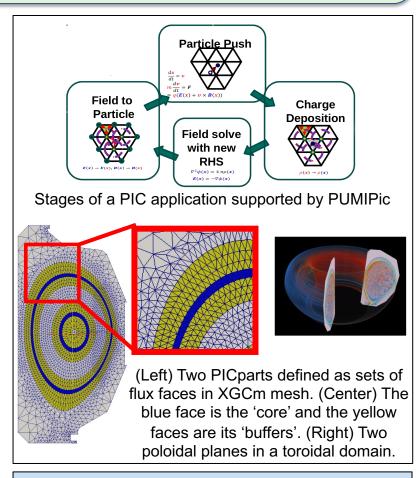
Applications Supported

- GITRm: impurity transport
- XGCm: core+edge fusion plasma physics
- Weak scaling on up to 24,000
 GPUs of Summit with 1.15 trillion particles running push, particle-to-mesh, and mesh-to-particle operations with an XGCm tokamak mesh and domain decomposition









Source Code: github.com/SCOREC/pumi-pic **Paper:** scorec.rpi.edu/REPORTS/2020-2.pdf

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