

Masterpraktikum Scientific Computing

High Performance Computing Tutorial 5



Session 5: Project

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Repast HPC

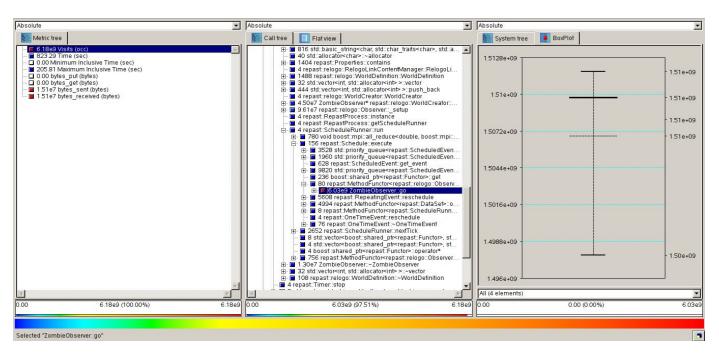
- Agent based modeling and simulation framework
- Target systems: High performance distributed computing platforms
- Written in c++
- Used MPI for parallel operations
- Agents distributed across processes
- Support prominent modeling methodologies : shared grid, shared network and shared continuous space or combination of them
- Request and synchronization are handled automatically





- In project application, agents are located on 100 X 100 grid
- Agents are given their place randomly when simulation starts

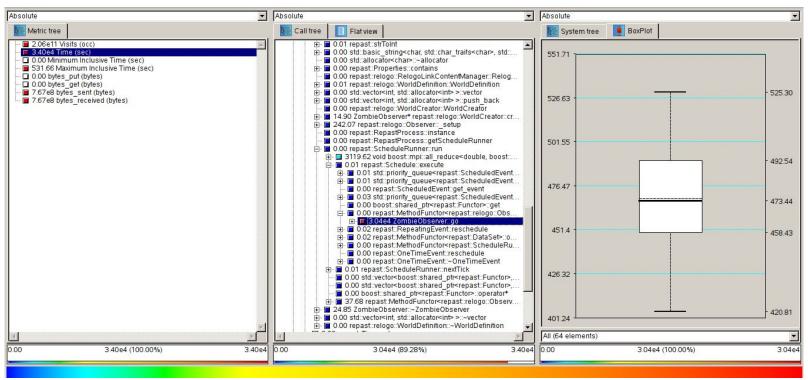
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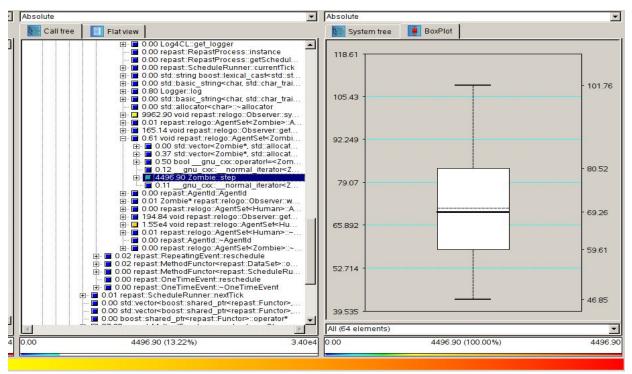
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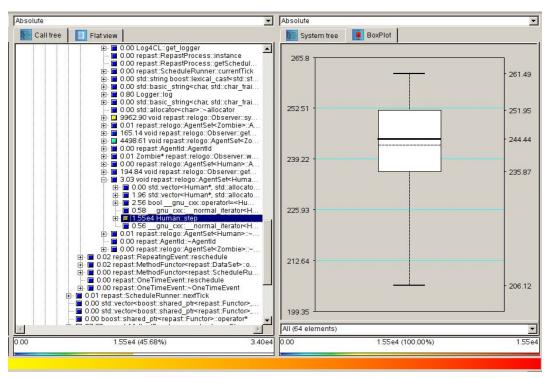
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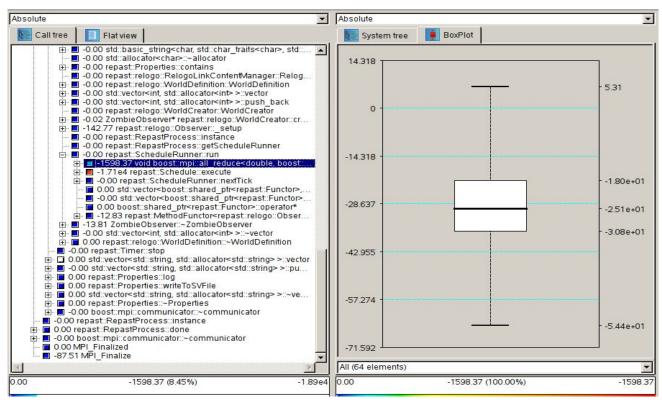


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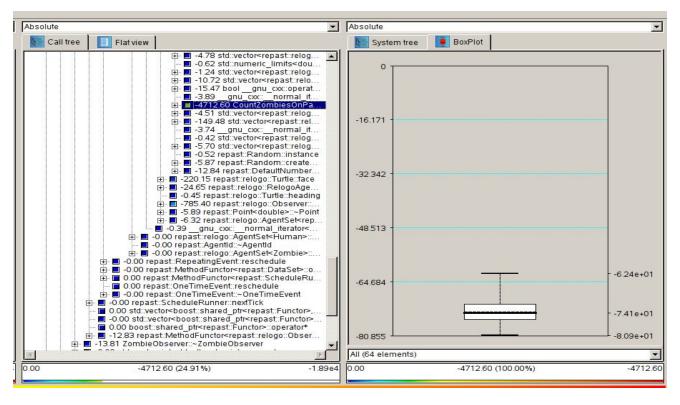
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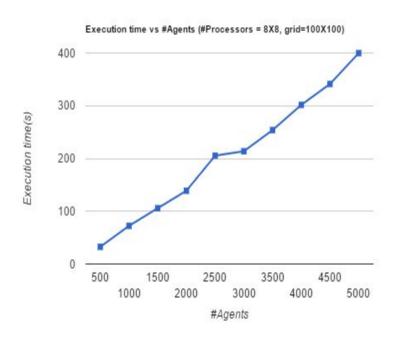


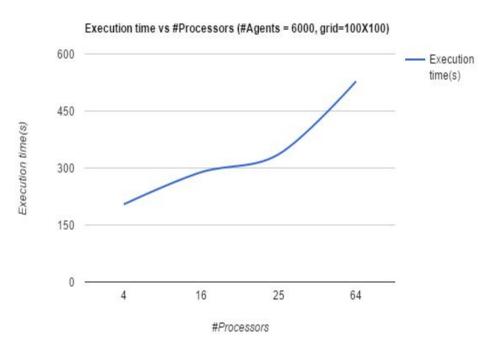
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Conclusion

- Execution time scales almost linearly with the number of cores for mainly independent agents
- Whereas speedup drops significantly in case of highly interdependent agents





Area of improvement

Most Expensive jobs:

- Giving agents coordinates
- Locating agents on grid or space

In our sample application the most expensive jobs

- Zombie ::step (13.17%)
 - CountHumanOnPatch (5.76%)
- Human ::step (45.46%)
 - CountZombieOnPatch (20.34%)
- MPI_AllReduce (9.37%)
- relogo::Observer:Sync (29.44%)

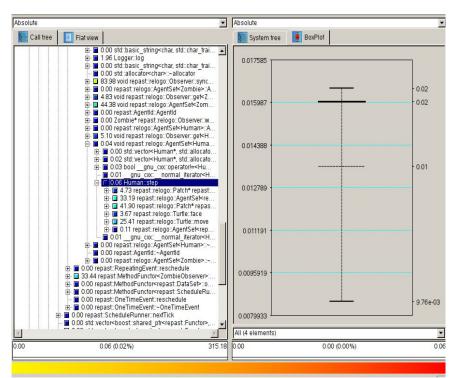
Optimisation Strategy

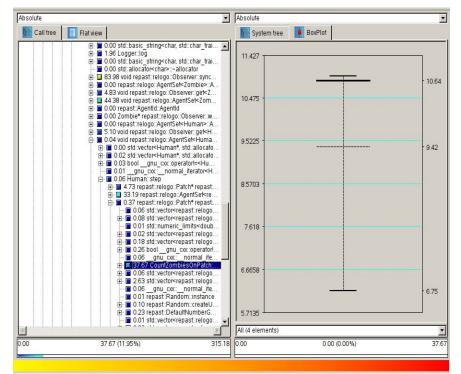
- Use HDF5 data as input
- use C++ standard library instead of Repast API as much as possible
- Try to design less interdependent agents





Repast HPC (After optimisation)

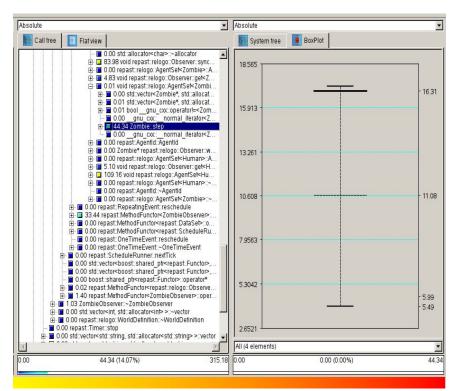


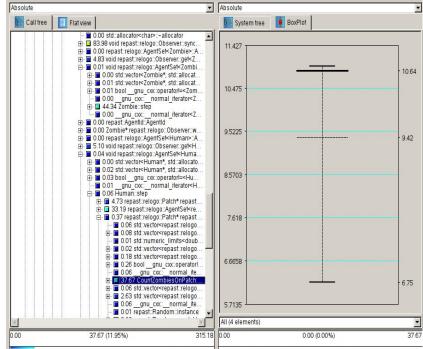






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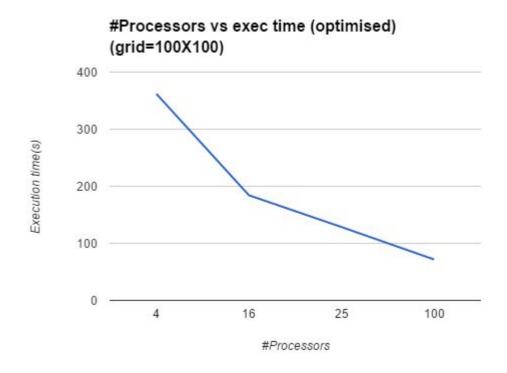








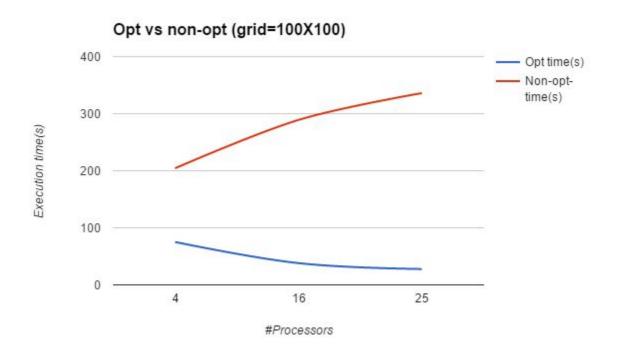
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Repast HPC (opt vs non-opt)





Thank you!