

FM-WP4 CODE STRUCTURE AND COORDINATION INVESTIGATE DSL AND CODE GENERATION TECHNIQUES

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Introduction

FM-WP4 Code structure and coordination

- Ensure that in-development software is fit for its defined purpose
 - Define appropriate standards and approaches for development
 - Define suitably flexible code structures and related infrastructure
 - Define common interfaces for I/O
 - Ensure portability across architectures (future proofing)
- Coordination required across work packages

Project Goals

Investigate DSL and code generation techniques

1. Survey available technologies

- Current HPC hardware, and hardware likely to be available at Exascale
- Programming models for performance portability
- Appropriate Domain Specific Languages (DSLs)
- Portable Math Kernel libraries

2. Identify testbed platforms and representative proxy applications

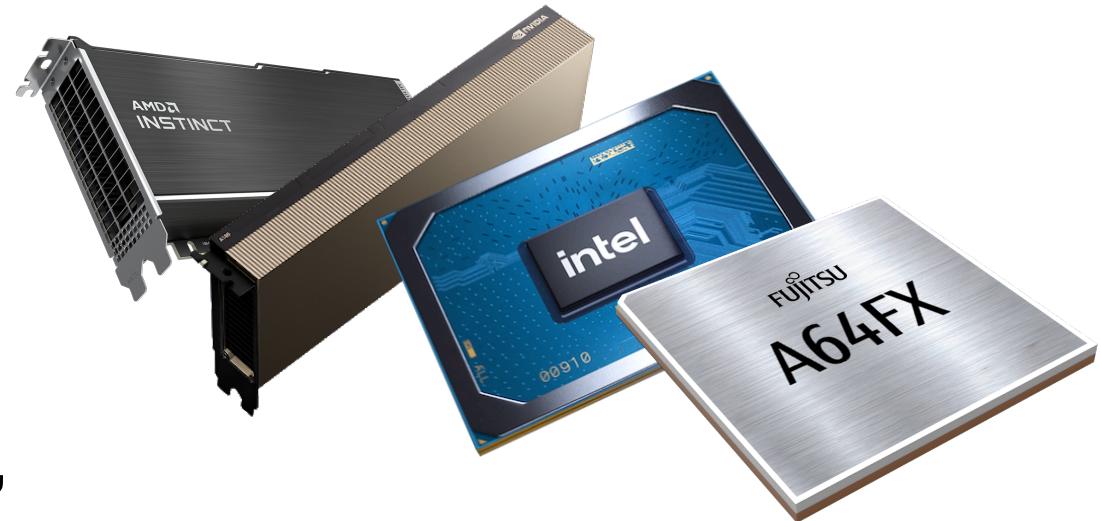
3. Evaluate approaches using proxy apps

4. Produce recommendations for NEPTUNE

Task 1: Survey of available technologies

Analysing the landscape

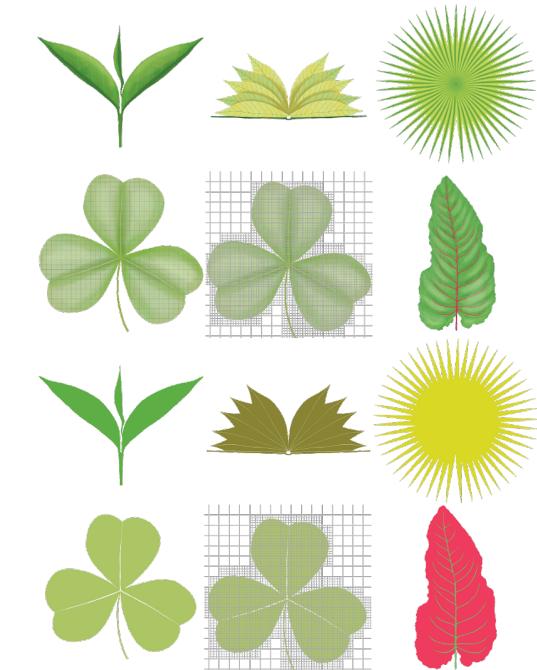
- Identify architectures commonly in use today and those in candidate exascale systems
- Identify compilers, languages, libraries, programming model, DSLs
- Analyse parallel file systems, data structures, output libraries



Task 2: Setup Evaluation

Identification of testbed platforms and representative proxy applications

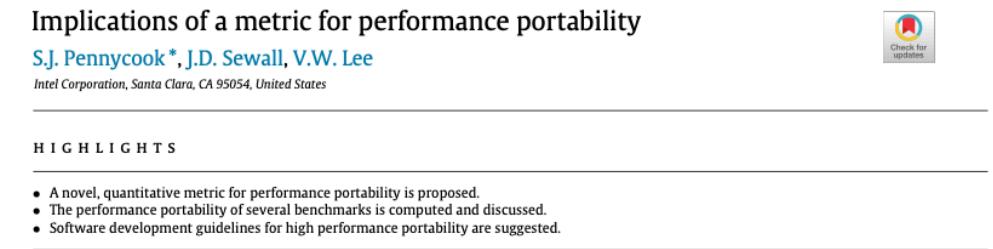
- Identify the key computation components of NEPTUNE applications
- Find mini-/proxy-apps with computationally similar algorithms (or develop proxies with other NEPTUNE groups) implemented in a variety of programming languages or models or DSLs
- Establish availability of testbed platforms
 - E.g. Viking, Bede, Avon, Isambard, ARCHER2
- Acquire representative datasets



Task 3: Evaluation of Approaches to Performance Portability

Testing Future-proofing

- Set up test systems, environments and applications
- Evaluate proxy-app performance over differing platforms
- Analyse applications *performance* and *performance portability* using metrics such as Pennycook et al. [FGCS 2019]



Task 4: Dissemination of Best Practices

Establishing feedback loops

- Coordinating with other groups to gather requirements and find or develop relevant proxy apps
- Coordination throughout NEPTUNE to aid in performance portable application of NEPTUNE proxyapps

Project Timeline

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Task 1	Survey of tech									
1.1	Hardware survey									
1.2	Software survey									
1.3	I/O survey									
Report										
Task 2	Identification of Platforms and Apps									
2.1	Identify proxy apps									
2.2	Identify platforms									
2.3	Acquire datasets									
Repository										
Task 3	Evaluation									
3.1	Setup systems									
3.2	Evaluate performance									
3.3	Analysis of performance									
Report										
Task 4	Dissemination of Best Practices									
4.1	Gather requirements									
4.2	Feedback approaches									
Report										

Getting Involved

How you can help

- **In-development Applications**
 - Is your application “mini”? Does a “mini app” version exist?
 - Are there applications in ECP, UK-MAC, etc. that are similar?
- What programming model are you using?
- What systems are you using? What scale are you running at?
- What do typical datasets look like?

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