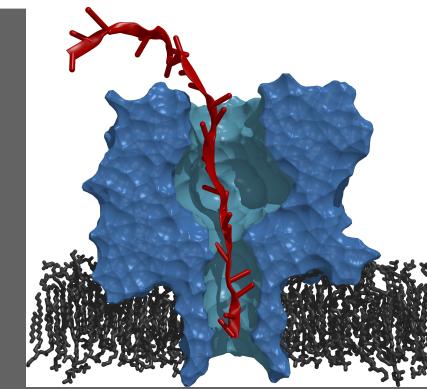




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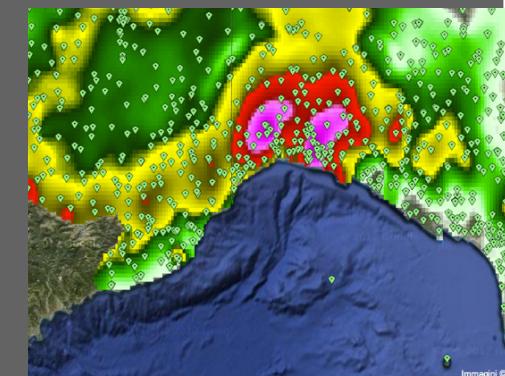
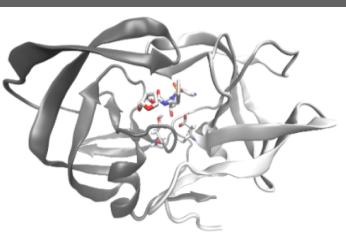
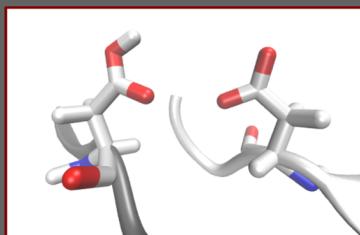
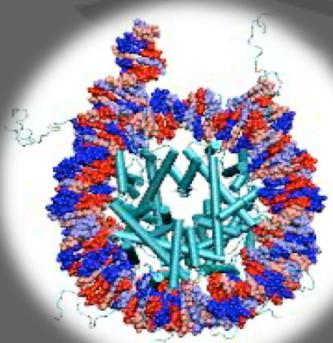


Case Studies of Running Many Simulations on Many Clouds, Clusters and Supercomputers

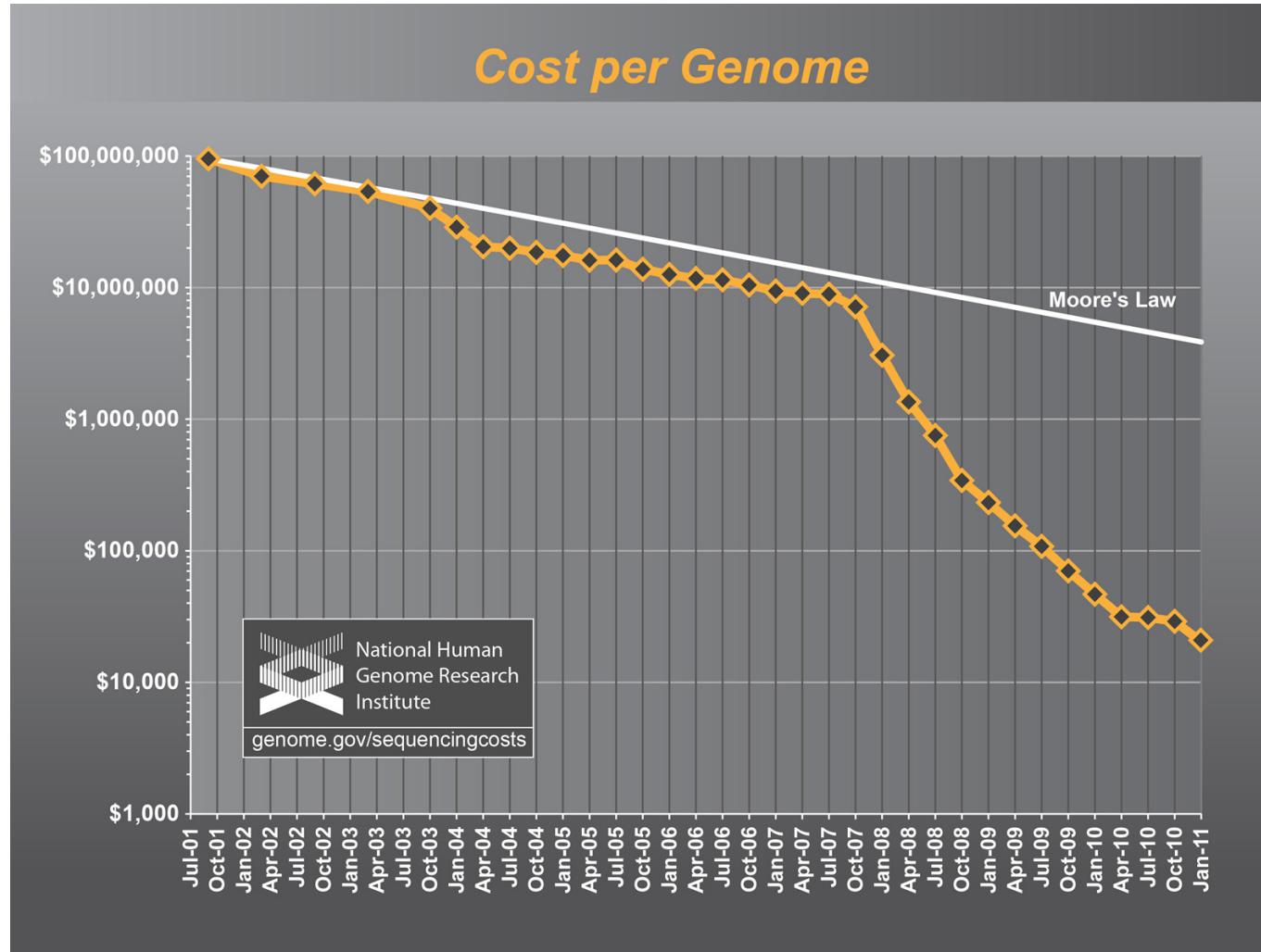
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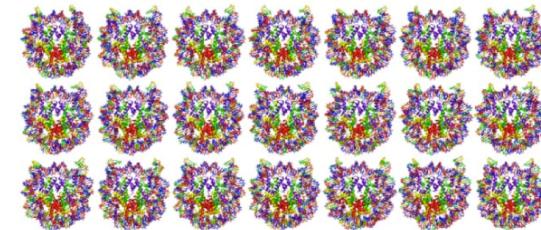
The Challenge of Integrating Compute and Data at Scale



“Many Simulations”: Background and Scenarios

- A Single “Application” is broken into many smaller tasks
 - Naturally decomposed or “by design” (algorithmic and infrastructural)
 - Exploiting parallelism: coarse-grained
- Different types of coupling between these tasks
 - Uncoupled Tasks, Loosely-Coupled Tasks, Sequential Tasks..
- Considerations:
 - “Coupling” general concept for data sharing, synchronization, other dependency
 - Varying rate of coupling between tasks/simulations
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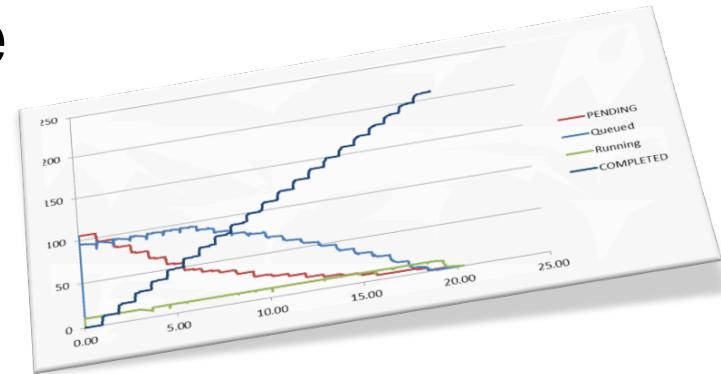
Scalable Online Comparative Genomics of Mononucleosomes



Collaboration with Tom Bishop
Work supported by XSEDE Fellows Grant (Jack Smith)

Current Study of a Sequence

- A Typical “Run”
 - 210 Simulations ($5 \times 21 \times 2$)
 - 2400 Cores on Lonestar for ~21 hrs
 - ~50,000 SUs
 - ~750 GB of output
- Total:
 - 10+ Runs (**2100** simulations)
 - 4 Restarts
 - ~500,000+ SUs
 - ~7.5 TB of output



Slide courtesy: Bishop, Smith

A Pore Man's View of the TeraGrid/XSEDE

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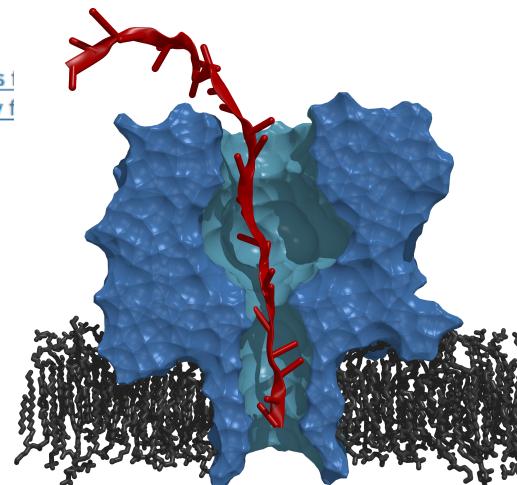
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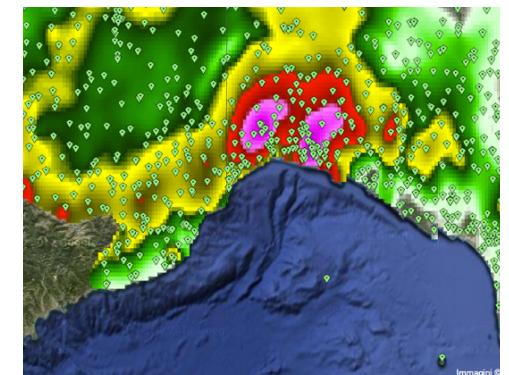
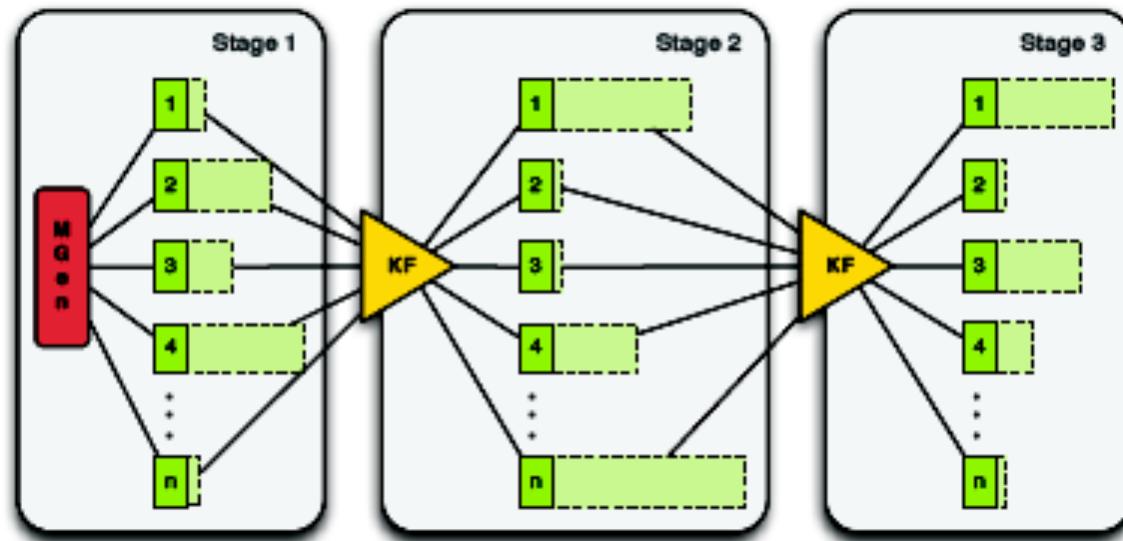
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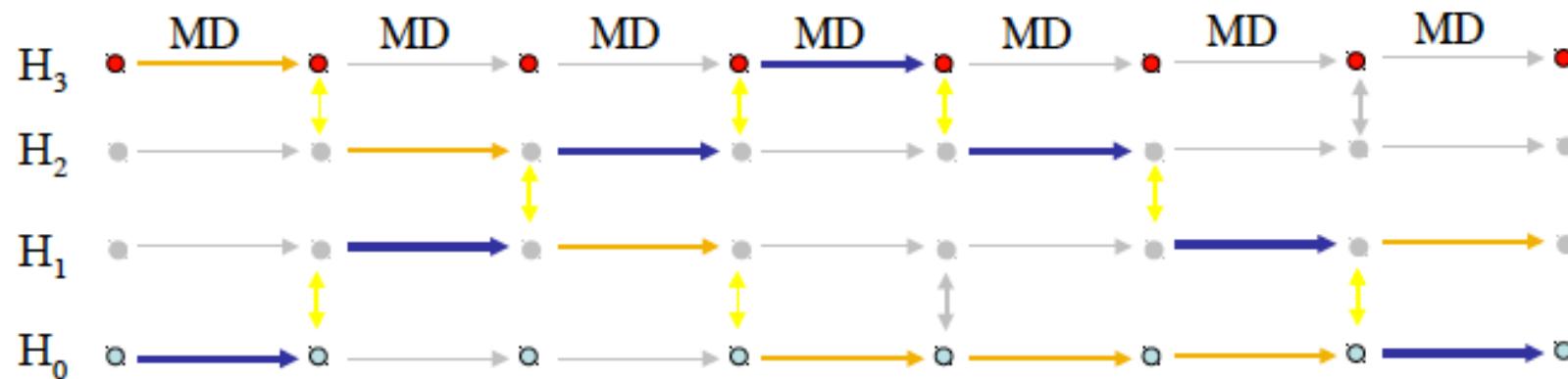
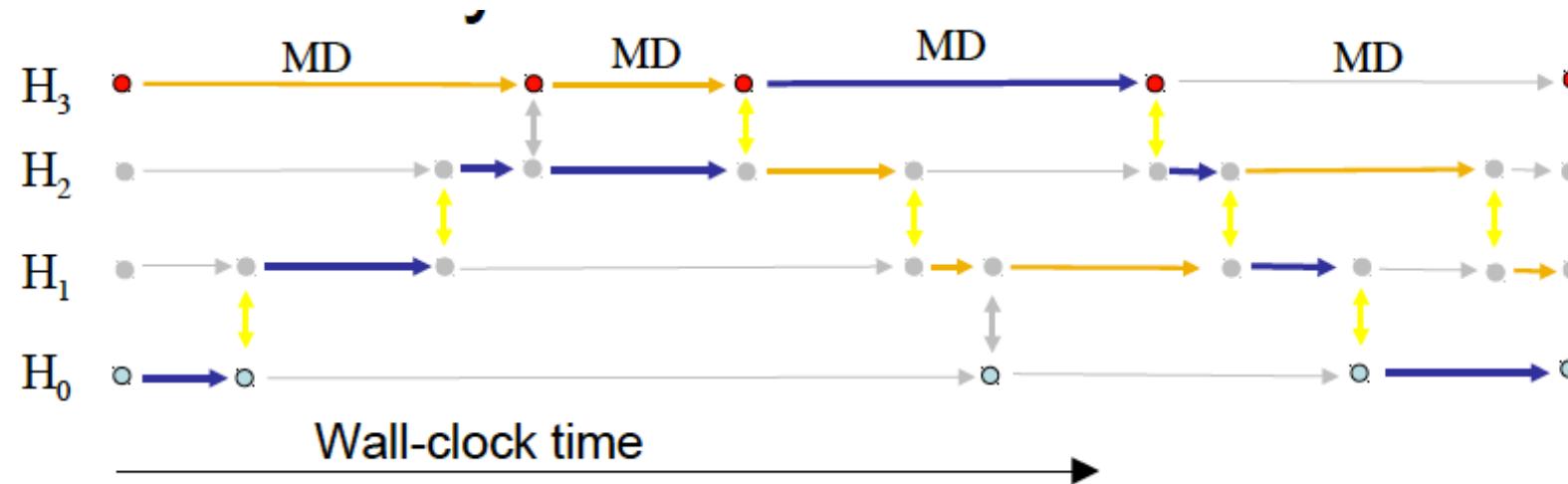
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Regular Synchronization



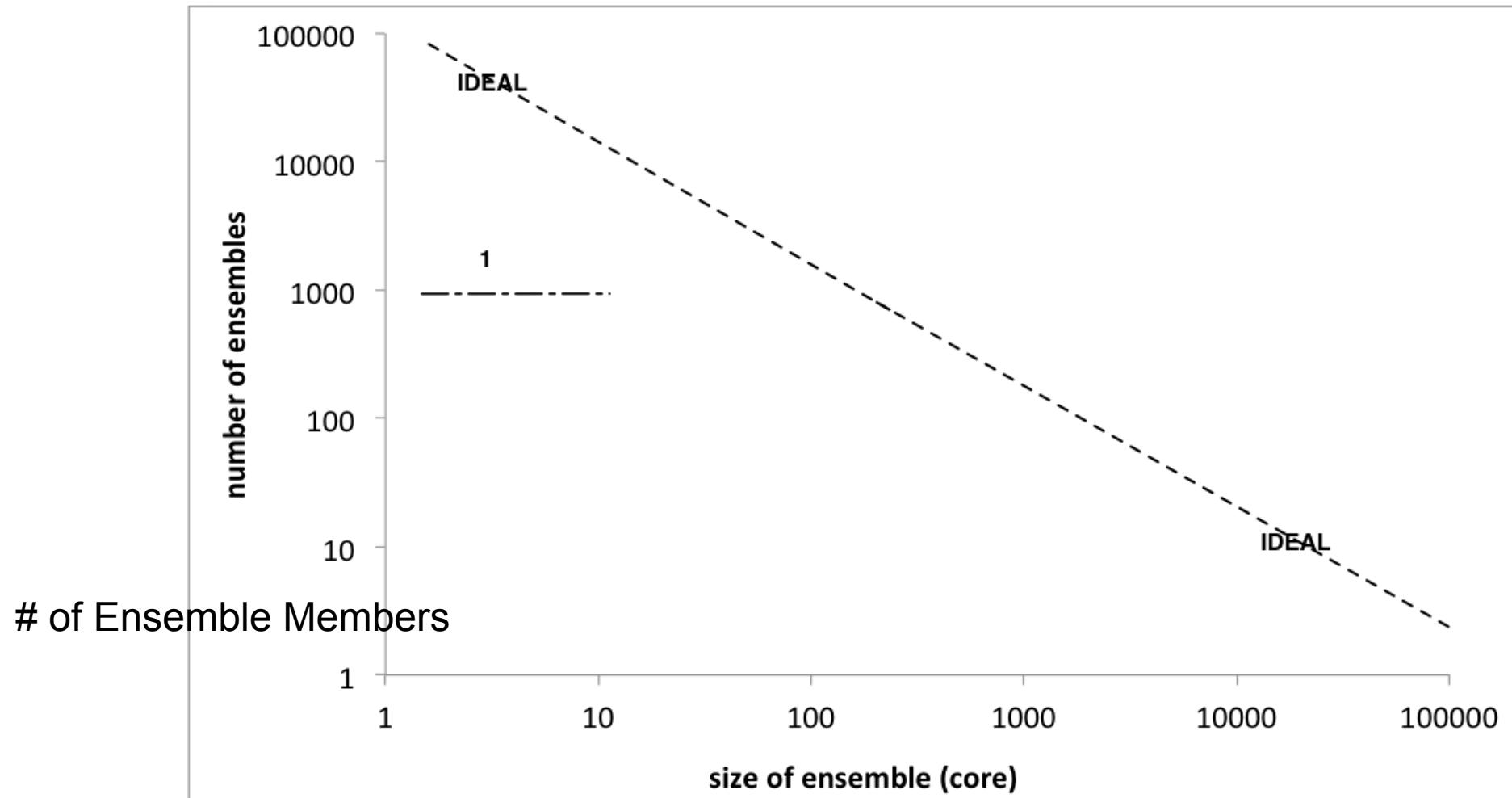
Irregular Synchronization



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“Slice and Dice” Resources



Number of cores per Ensemble Member

Scaling Along Many Dimensions

- Scaling Dimension #1: Size of each task
 - *Scale-up*
 - 1 core per task, 128 cores per task..
- Scaling Dimension #2: Total Number of Tasks
 - *Scale-Out*
 - Enhanced Sampling in molecular simulations $O(1000)$, statistical errors $O(10^6), \dots$
- Scaling Dimension #3: Number of Resources Used
 - *Scale-Across*
 - Execute on Clouds, Clusters, Supercomputers
- Scaling Dimension #4: Total Number of Tasks/per unit time
 - Real time processing

Summary

- Many science and engineering problems can be naturally expressed
 - Ensembles, loosely-coupled, “constructing” workflows
- Advantages:
 - Scalable Access to more resources
 - Efficient, Effective, Dynamic resource management
- Challenges:
 - How to manage coordination across many tasks?
 - Responding to dynamic resource: How?
 - Distributed Failures, Heterogeneity and Interoperability:
- Beyond simple, static, single execution: Well engineered tools built using the appropriate abstractions
 - Compute capacity is fluctuating, growing/shrinking

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