# GPU Acceleration of Communication Avoiding Chebyshev Basis Conjugate Gradient Solver for Multiphase CFD Simulations

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Abstract-Iterative methods for solving large linear systems are common parts of computational fluid dynamics (CFD) codes. The Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient (P-CG) method is one of the most widely used iterative methods. However, in the P-CG method, global collective communication is a crucial bottleneck especially on accelerated computing platforms. To resolve this issue, communication avoiding (CA) variants of the P-CG method are becoming increasingly important. In this paper, the P-CG and Preconditioned Chebyshev Basis CA CG (P-CBCG) solvers in the multiphase CFD code JUPITER are ported to the latest V100 GPUs. All GPU kernels are highly optimized to achieve about 90% of the roofline performance, the block Jacobi preconditioner is re-designed to extract high computing power of GPUs, and the remaining bottleneck of halo data communication is avoided by overlapping communication and computation. The overall performance of the P-CG and P-CBCG solvers is determined by the competition between the CA properties of the global collective communication and the halo data communication, indicating an importance of the inter-node interconnect bandwidth per GPU. The developed GPU solvers are accelerated up to 2x compared with the former CPU solvers on KNLs, and excellent strong scaling is achieved up to 7,680 GPUs on the Summit.

Index Terms—Communication avoiding Krylov subspace method, CFD, GPU

#### I. Introduction

Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) codes are common tools in science and engineering. In nuclear engineering, CFD codes are used for key simulations such as the development of new reactor concepts, the severe accident analysis, the nuclear safety analysis, and the environmental dynamics of radioactive substances released in nuclear accidents and nuclear terrorism. Iterative methods are common components of these CFD codes. They occupy a significant part of the overall computing cost. Furthermore, on large scale distributed computing platforms, inter-node communication introduces an additional cost to the iterative methods. This is especially true for accelerated computing platforms, that are overprovisioned for FLOPS, and the remaining communication cost becomes relatively important. Global collective communication is one of the most crucial parts in the iterative methods, since all computing nodes have to be synchronized. For this reason, global collective communication is commonly seen as a crucial bottleneck in exascale computing.

Krylov Subspace Methods (KSMs) are a widely used class of iterative methods. For example, the Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient (P-CG) method contains two global collective communications per iteration. To overcome this bottleneck, communication avoiding (CA) KSMs were developed[1]. Although they are mathematically equivalent to their ordinary non-CA counterparts, the behavior of CA KSMs inside CFD codes still remains an active field of research, because CA KSMs are more sensitive to numerical errors. In addition, most of practical applications become ill-conditioned problems, which require proper preconditioning. Preconditioners in CA KSMs are still open issues especially on GPUs.

GPUs are promising candidates for exascale computing platforms. A single compute node can contain several GPUs, and the number of GPUs per node tends to increase because of facility requirements, leading to high density packaging. Although intra-node communication can be processed by utilizing high bandwidth interfaces like NVLINK, an increasing number of GPUs per node leads to less inter-node communication bandwidth, and the need for CA KSMs on GPUs is increasing. However, in order to extract high computing power on GPUs, one needs to optimize every computing kernels so that they can fully utilize extreme concurrency of computing cores and complex hierarchy of memory architectures. This is a challenging issue for CA KSMs, because they contain a wide range of different computing kernels.

In this work, we implement the P-CG and Preconditioned Chebyshev Basis CA CG (P-CBCG) methods on the V100 GPU. All main computing kernels are implemented using CUDA. The block Jacobi (BJ) preconditioner is re-designed in order to take optimal advantage of the GPU hardware. We apply both methods to the pressure Poisson solver in the multiphase CFD code JUPITER [2]. The developed solvers are tested in a cross platform comparison on the AI Bridging Cloud Infrastructure (ABCI) [3], the Summit [4], and the Oakforest-PACS [5] using up to 2,048 GPUs/CPUs. On the Summit, strong scaling is further evaluated up to 7,680 GPUs.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: Related research is reviewed in Sec.II. In Sec.III, we describe (CA) KSMs used in JUPITER. In Sec.IV, we explain the GPU

implementation. In Sec.V, we present numerical experiments. Finally, a summary is given in Sec.VI.

#### II. RELATED WORK

The CA-CG method is based on the so-called s-step CG method, in which the data dependency between SpMV and inner product operations in the standard CG method is removed. Van Rosendale [6] first developed a s-step version of the CG method. Chronopoulos and Gear [7] called their own variant of the CG method as the s-step CG method. However, the above works did not change SpMV operations for generating the s-step basis. Joubert and Carey[8] optimized the SpMV operations by reducing communications between levels of the memory hierarchy and between processors, while their version worked only for 2-D regular meshes. Toledo optimized the computation of the s-step basis in the s-step CG method [9]. His s-step basis generation algorithm reduced the number of words transferred between levels of the memory hierarchy. On the other hand, the CACG method by Hoemmen [1] reduced communications between levels of the memory and between processors by a matrix power kernel (MPK) [10], in which multiple SpMVs are computed without communication.

CA KSMs showed promising results for a wide range of test problems [11], [12], provided that preconditioners are not needed or a simple algorithm such as the point Jacobi preconditioner works. However, in most of practical issues, more complicated preconditioners are needed, and they require additional communication on distributed computing platforms. This issue was addressed by Yamazaki et al. [13]. They proposed a CA preconditioner based on an underlap approach, in which BJ preconditioning is modified by applying point Jacobi preconditioning in the surface part of each subdomain to avoid additional communication. The underlap approach was tested on the pressure Poisson solver in JUPITER, and it was shown that the underlap approach leads to significant convergence degradation [14]. To avoid such convergence degradation, a hybrid CA approach was proposed. In this approach, CA is applied only to global collective communication and SpMVs are computed with halo data communication, which is overlapped with computing kernels.

Another issue in CA KSMs is their numerical stability in ill-conditioned problems. In Ref. [14], it was also shown that for ill-conditioned problems in JUPITER, the P-CACG method [1] is numerically stable only within a few CA steps  $s \leq 3$  even with the original BJ preconditioning. This issue is attributed to the monomial basis vectors, which are aligned to the eigenvector with the maximum eigenvalue as s increases, and their linear independency is ruined by the round off errors. To resolve this issue, Suda et al. [15] proposed the P-CBCG method, which was tested with point Jacobi preconditioning on the K-computer [12]. In Ref. [16], the P-CBCG method with the BJ preconditioner was applied to JUPITER, and the above numerical stability issue was resolved for s > 10.

GPU implementations of the CA-GMRES method [1] were discussed in Refs. [13], [17], [18]. In Ref. [17], several tall-skinny QR factorization methods were optimized on GPUs,

and the performance of TS matrix operations was improved using a batched GEMM approach. In Ref. [13], MPK with CA preconditioner was implemented on GPUs. Although these works used MPK, comparisons between MPK and the hybrid CA approach in Ref. [18] showed higher performance with the latter. In this work, we present a GPU implementation of the P-CBCG method based on the hybrid CA approach.

#### III. KRYLOV SOLVERS IN JUPITER

## A. Multiphase CFD code JUPITER

JUPITER [2] models materials inside nuclear reactors using the equation of continuity, Navier-Stokes, and energy assuming Newtonian and incompressible viscous fluids. The dynamics of the gas, liquid, and solid phases of several components including the fuel pellets, fuel cladding, the absorber, internal reactor components and the atmosphere are described by an advection equation of the volume of fluid (VOF) function.

The main computational cost ( $\sim 90\%$ ) comes from computation of the pressure Poisson equation, which is discretized by the second order accurate centered finite difference scheme (seven stencils) in the Cartesian grid system (x,y,z). The linear system of the Poisson equation, which is a symmetric block diagonal sparse matrix, is solved using KSMs. Among the wide range of KSMs, in terms of convergence property and computational cost, the best results were obtained using the P-CG method and its CA variants with BJ preconditioning. The Poisson solver is parallelized using a three dimensional (3D) domain decomposition method in (x,y,z).

The CPU version of JUPITER takes advantage of the computational resources by using a hybrid MPI+OpenMP approach. In this work, JUPITER is extended by adding GPU Poisson solvers, which are implemented using CUDA, resulting in a new MPI+OpenMP+CUDA hybrid code.

## B. P-CG method

Algorithm 1 shows the P-CG method. Each iteration consists of SpMV (line 3), the BJ preconditioner (line 7), AXPYs (lines 5,6,9), and inner product operations (lines 4,8). The communication cost per single iteration comes from one halo data communication for the SpMV and two global collective communications (Allreduce) for the inner product operations.

## C. P-CBCG method

Algorithm 2 shows the P-CBCG method [15]. The preconditioned Chebyshev basis vectors are generated at line 10, which is further detailed in Algorithm 3. The basis vector generation in this work does *not* exploit MPK, in which halo data for multiple SpMVs are communicated at once, because the BJ preconditioner requires additional halo data communication at each iteration. Therefore, SpMV is implemented in a straightforward manner including the BJ preconditioner as in the hybrid CA approach [14]. The basis vectors are generated using Chebyshev polynomials  $T_j(AM^{-1})$  with  $T_j$  being the j-th Chebyshev polynomial scaled and shifted within the minimum and maximum eigenvalues  $[\lambda_{min}, \lambda_{max}]$ . Here,

## Algorithm 1 Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient (P-CG) method

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Input: Ax = b, Initial guess x_1

Output: Approximate solution x_i

1: r_1 := b - Ax_1, z_1 = M^{-1}r_1, p_1 := z_1
2: for j = 1, 2, ... until convergence do

3: Compute w := Ap_j

4: \alpha_j := \langle r_j, z_j \rangle / \langle w, p_j \rangle
5: x_{j+1} := x_j + \alpha_j p_j
6: r_{j+1} := r_j - \alpha_j w
7: z_{j+1} := M^{-1}r_{j+1}
8: \beta_j := \langle r_{j+1}, z_{j+1} \rangle / \langle r_j, z_j \rangle
9: p_{j+1} := z_{j+1} + \beta_j p_j
10: end for
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 $\lambda_{min}$  is approximated as zero, while  $\lambda_{max}$  is computed using the power method, which typically runs a hundred iterations before the main loop starts. In the monomial basis, the generated basis vectors are aligned to the eigenvector with  $\lambda_{max}$  with increasing s. If the basis vector is not orthogonalized at each iteration, the other eigen components become relatively small and are hidden by the round off errors. This may cause the basis vectors to become linearly dependent, leading to breakdown of KSMs. However, in the Chebyshev basis, the minmax property of the Chebyshev polynomials helps to keep the basis vectors linearly independent. This property makes the Chebyshev basis numerically more robust, and enables us to take larger s than the monomial basis.

Although each SpMV requires halo data communication as in the P-CG method, the number of global collective communication is reduced to 1/s. During every s iterations, one global collective communication (Allreduce) is needed at line 5, transferring the upper triangular part of  $Q_k^*AQ_k$  which counts for s(s+1)/2 elements plus s elements from s(s+1)/2 elements plus s elements from s(s+1)/2 and one element needed for the norm of the residual vector. Another Allreduce is needed at line 11 where the square matrix s(s+1)/2 elements is reduced.

## IV. IMPLEMENTATION OF P-CG AND P-CBCG ON GPU

#### A. Sparse matrix format

The choice of the sparse matrix format is crucial for efficient memory access. This is especially true for GPUs, since threads on GPUs need to access the device memory in a coalesced manner with contiguous memory access patterns in order to utilize the full device memory bandwidth. Sparse matrix formats like the compressed sparse row (CSR) format do not provide coalesced memory access, because of indirect memory access. For this reason, we use the diagonal (DIA) format (sometimes also referred to as the compressed diagonal storage format (CDS)), which provides perfect coalesced direct memory access. The same format is used also in the CPU version of JUPITER [2], [16]. The DIA format is the natural choice for JUPITER, since the matrix has a block diagonal structure with seven stencils.

**Algorithm 2** Preconditioned Chebyshev Basis communication avoiding Conjugate Gradient (P-CBCG) method

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Input: Ax = b, Initial guess x_0
Output: Approximate solution x_i
 1: r_0 := b - Ax_0
 2: Compute S_0 (T_0(AM^{-1})r_0, ..., T_{s-1}(AM^{-1})r_0)
 3: Q_0 = S_0
 4: for k = 0, 1, 2, ... until convergence do
 5:
       Compute Q_k^*AQ_k
       Compute Q_k^* r_{sk}
 6:
       a_k := (Q_k^* \hat{A} Q_k)^{-1} Q_k^* r_{sk}
       x_{s(k+1)} := x_{sk} + Q_k a_k
 8:
       r_{s(k+1)} := r_{sk} - AQ_k a_k
 9:
       S_{k+1} (T_0(AM^{-1})r_{s(k+1)}, ..., T_{s-1}(AM^{-1})r_{s(k+1)})
10:
       Compute Q_k^*AS_{k+1}
11:
       B_k := (Q_k^* A Q_k)^{-1} Q_k^* A S_{k+1}
12:
       Q_{k+1} := S_{k+1} - Q_k B_k
13:
       AQ_{k+1} := AS_{k+1} + AQ_kB_k
14:
15: end for
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## Algorithm 3 Preconditioned Chebyshev basis

Input:  $r_{sk}$ , Approximate minimum/maximum eigenvalues of  $AM^{-1}$ ,  $\lambda_{\min}$ ,  $\lambda_{\max}$ Output:  $S_k$  ( $\tilde{z}_0$ ,  $\tilde{z}_1$ , ...,  $\tilde{z}_{s-1}$ ),  $AS_k$  ( $A\tilde{z}_0$ ,  $A\tilde{z}_1$ , ...,  $A\tilde{z}_{s-1}$ )

1:  $\eta := 2/(\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_{\min})$ 2:  $\zeta := (\lambda_{\max} + \lambda_{\min})/(\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_{\min})$ 3:  $z_0 := r_{sk}$ 4:  $\tilde{z}_0 := M^{-1}z_0$ 5:  $z_1 := \eta A\tilde{z}_0 - \zeta z_0$ 6:  $\tilde{z}_1 := M^{-1}z_1$ 7: for j = 2, 3, ..., s do

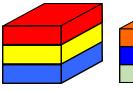
8:  $z_j := 2\eta A\tilde{z}_{j-1} - 2\zeta z_{j-1} - z_{j-2}$ 9:  $\tilde{z}_j := M^{-1}z_j$ 

#### B. Preconditioning

10: end for

Preconditioning is an essential kernel in the pressure Poisson solver in JUPITER. The CPU solver uses the BJ preconditioning, in which the incomplete LU factorization (ILU) is applied to each block. Porting the CPU version as it is would result in a very inefficient GPU preconditioner. The CPU preconditioner divides the subdomain on each MPI process along the z-axis into smaller blocks. Each block is then processed by a single OpenMP thread, because ILU in each block cannot be parallelized. The 1D block decomposition in the z-axis was chosen because it gives the best convergence property and provides sufficient concurrency for CPUs with several tens cores. However, the concurrency of this algorithm is not enough for GPUs which require several orders of magnitudes larger number of threads. In addition, this algorithm leads to non-coalesced memory access with large strides. To resolve these issues, we re-design the BJ preconditioner for GPUs.

In the GPU preconditioner, 3D block decomposition along the xyz-axes is introduced, and ILU in each block is processed







(a) z-division

(b) xyz-division

(c) zxy-division

Fig. 1: Block design for the block Jacobi preconditioner. (a) shows 1D block decomposition for CPUs, (b) shows 3D block decomposition for GPUs which does not allow coalesced memory access, and (c) shows 3D block decomposition with finer tiles which allows coalesced memory access.

TABLE I: Block size dependency of the BJ preconditioner on a single CPU/GPU is shown for a small JUPITER matrix with  $N=N_x\times N_y\times N_z=256\times 128\times 512$ . The number of iterations and the elapse time are summarized, where  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  being the time before and after the data transpose from xyz to zyx, respectively. Case 1 uses Broadwell with 14 OpenMP threads, and all other cases use V100.

Case	х	у	Z	# of iterations	$t_1$	$t_2$
1. (CPU)	256	128	36	106	34.60	-
2.	16	32	4	142	17.49	9.45
3.	16	16	4	145	38.62	7.64
4.	8	8	16	156	13.04	39.44
5.	16	16	1	161	48.69	7.27
6.	8	8	1	174	47.34	6.87
7.	4	4	4	185	22.83	22.83
8.	2	4	64	210	8.70	80.67
9.	1	8	8	263	10.79	69.13

by a single GPU thread. Table I shows the block size dependency of the GPU preconditioner for a small JUPITER matrix with  $N = N_x \times N_y \times N_z = 256 \times 128 \times 512$ , which corresponds to a typical problem size per GPU. By scanning different block divisions, an appropriate block shape was found (see Fig.1). The block size on the GPU preconditioner has to be three orders of magnitudes smaller than the CPU preconditioner. The use of finer blocks changes the quality of BJ preconditioning, leading to significant convergence degradation. The block size scan with the original xyz data structure  $(t_1)$  shows the minimum cost when the block size in the inner most x direction is one or two and the coalesced memory access works. On the other hand, it is also shown that in terms of the number of iterations, the best convergence is obtained when the block size becomes fine in the z-axis. In order to satisfy these two requirements, the same block size scan is repeated by transposing the data structure from xyz to zyx $(t_2)$ , and the best performance is obtained with  $8 \times 8 \times 1$ , which shows  $\sim 64\%$  increase in the number of iterations, and  $5 \times$  speedup against the CPU preconditioner. This result shows a trade off between mathematical and computational properties in the current preconditioner design. It is noted that the data transpose is a one time cost before and after KSMs.

#### C. Tall-skinny matrix operations

The kernels described here are used only inside the P-CBCG algorithm. In each iteration of the P-CBCG method, a matrix of the size  $n \times s$  is generated with  $n \gg s$ , called as a tall-skinny (TS) matrix. Here,  $n = n_x \times n_y \times n_z$  is the size of subdomain on each MPI process. The P-CBCG method consists of computing kernels involving TS matrices. In the CPU version, high performance was achieved by using a cache blocking approach and by fusing several TS matrix operations into a single kernel in order to increase the arithmetic intensity.

The lines 5 and 11 in Algorithm 2 multiply two TS matrices  $(s \times n \text{ and } n \times s)$  to obtain a square matrix of the size  $s \times s$ . In Ref. [17], a single BLAS GEMM operation performed poorly on TS matrices, and high performance was achieved using a batched GEMM approach. We implement this approach using the batched GEMM routine in the NVIDIA cuBLAS library. In the current problem, the JUPITER data contains halo data regions, which must be skipped to avoid extra computation. This can be treated by a pointer to pointer interface of this routine. The TS matrix is divided into n/b smaller matrices by the specified batch size b, which is adjusted depending on the size of each subdomain. In this work, we chose b=128. The batched GEMM routine outputs n/b matrices, which are reduced to obtain the final square matrix.

Other TS matrix operations used inside the P-CBCG method are GEMV at the line 6  $(s \times n \text{ and } n \times 1)$ , GEMM at the lines 13 and 14  $(n \times s \text{ and } s \times s)$ , and GEMV at the lines 8 and 9  $(n \times s \text{ and } s \times 1)$ . Although the batched GEMM routine can be applied also to these kernels, we refactor these kernels into a single kernel and manually implement more efficient batched operations, in which the small matrix and vector data are stored on the shared memory, and they are multiplied many times with a part of the TS matrix data.

#### D. Refactoring GPU kernels

When the order of computing kernels can be changed without affecting the algorithm, refactoring improves the arithmetic intensity by reusing the same data among multiple computing kernels. We apply kernel fusion to the P-CG method in Algorithm 1. The two AXPY kernels in line 5 and 9 are merged into a single kernel, since the vector  $p_j$  is shared in both kernels. The SpMV kernel in line 3 is merged with the inner product in line 4 because  $p_j$  and w are accessed in both kernels. The second inner product in line 8 is merged into the preconditioner kernel in line 7 to share  $z_{j+1}$  and  $r_{j+1}$ .

On the other hand, refactoring GPU kernels in the P-CBCG method in Algorithm 2 is more complicated. In Fig.2, the left figure shows the main GPU kernels as they are in the original algorithm. In the right figure, they are refactored into four GPU kernels, the preconditioner kernel, the SpMV kernel, the TS GEMM kernels using the batched GEMM routine, and the remaining TS GEMM/GEMV kernel optimized using the above implementation. In the TS GEMM/GEMV kernel, the small matrix  $B_k$  and vector  $a_k$  are stored on the shared memory, and the large TS matrices  $Q_k$  and  $AS_{k+1}$  are reused to reduce memory access.

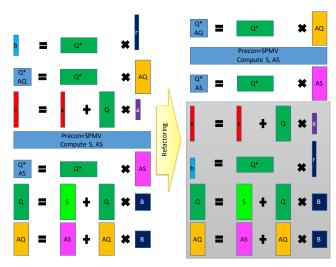


Fig. 2: Refactoring GPU kernels in the P-CBCG method. Left shows main computing kernels as in Algorithm 2. Right shows refactored kernels.

## E. Communication overlap

Overlapping communication and computation is important strategy to hide the latency in the data exchange. In JUPITER, we overlap computation and the halo data communication. In order to implement the communication overlap, the subdomain must be decomposed into surface and core parts, where only the surface part needs the halo data. The core part can be computed independently of the halo data, and thus, can be simultaneously processed during the halo data communication. The surface-core decomposition generally introduces a performance penalty. This is especially true for GPUs, where the coalesced memory access is required. For this reason, the surface-core decomposition is designed to maximize the coalesced memory access. Figure 3 shows the surface-core decomposition, in which xy and xz surfaces are maximized in the coalesced memory access direction (x axis), and yzsurfaces are minimized in the non-coalesced directions.

Table II shows the communication overlap in the P-CG solver. First, the surface part computation of AXPY is computed, and then, the halo data communication and the core part computation of AXPY and SpMV are executed simultaneously. Finally, we compute the surface part of SpMV. It is noted that the preconditioner kernel is also a candidate for the communication overlap. However, we found that dividing the preconditioner kernel into surface and core parts resulted in large performance degradation, and thus, the preconditioner kernel was not used. In the P-CBCG solver, the AXPY kernel is replaced with the TS GEMM kernel, and s-SpMVs are processed at once. Therefore, we use only the SpMV kernel for the communication overlap. Since the P-CG method can use two computing kernels, the P-CG method can hide more communication than the P-CBCG method. The communication overlap is implemented using multiple CUDA streams. The default stream is used for the surface part computation and the

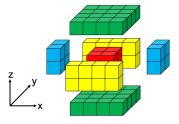


Fig. 3: Decomposing the subdomain into surface and core parts while maximizing the coalesced memory access in the x-axis. xy, xz, and yz surfaces are shown in different colors.

TABLE II: Communication overlap in the P-CG solver.

Step	Stream name	operation				
1	default	Surface parts of AXPY				
2a	default	Halo data communication using Isend/Irecv				
2b	calc	Core parts of AXPY and SpMV				
3	default	Wait for Isend/Irecv to finish				
4	default	Surface parts of SpMV				

halo data communication, which is implemented using GPU direct communication and CUDA-aware MPI. On the other hand, the core part computation is processed in a separate stream called *calc*.

## V. NUMERICAL EXPERIMENTS

## A. Kernel performance on V100

In order to evaluate the quality of our GPU implementation, we compare the achieved performance against the modified roofline model [19], in which a theoretical processing time of each kernel is estimated by the sum of costs for floating point operations and memory accesses,  $t_{RL} = f/F + b/B$ . Here, fand b are the numbers of floating point operations and memory accesses of the kernel, and F and B are the peak performance and the memory bandwidth of GPU. We compute a small JUPITER matrix with  $N=N_x \times N_y \times N_z=256 \times 128 \times 12$ 512 using a single V100 GPU, which has F=7,800GFlops and B=835GBytes/s (memory bandwidth obtained using the BabelStream benchmark [20]). Table III shows the kernel performance analysis for each kernel in the P-CBCG method. The dominant computation costs come from the SpMV and preconditioner kernels, which are memory bound  $f/b \sim 0.16$ and benefit from the high memory bandwidth of V100. On the other hand, TS matrix kernels have relatively high arithmetic intensity  $f/b \sim 1$ . The result shows that all computing kernels are fully optimized with a roofline ratio of  $\sim 90\%$ .

## B. Conditions of numerical experiments

Large scale numerical experiments are conducted on the ABCI, the Summit, and the Oakforest-PACS using a large JUPITER matrix with  $N=N_x\times N_y\times N_z=1,280\times 1,280\times 4,608$ . Table IV shows the hardware specifications of these platforms. Both the ABCI and the Summit are based on the V100 GPU and the dual-rail EDR InifiniBand interconnect, while the Oakforest-PACS consists of the Xeon Phi 7250

TABLE III: Kernel performance analysis: Floating point operation f [Flop/grid], Memory access b [Byte/grid], Arithmetic intensity f/b, Peak performance F [Flops], memory bandwidth B [Byte/s], Roofline time  $t_{RL} = f/F + b/B$  [ns/grid], Elapse time t [ns/grid], Sustained performance P [GFlops].

Kernel	f	b	f/b	t	P	$t_{RL}/t$
SpMV	15	92	0.16	0.12	135	0.90
Preconditioner	20	128	0.16	0.18	128	0.84
AXPY	3	24	0.13	0.03	103	0.85
batched GEMM	48	35	1.38	0.05	1002	0.95
GEMV/GEMM	54	59	0.91	0.10	694	0.81
Total	141	338	0.42	0.46	332	0.92

TABLE IV: Hardware metrics of the GPU/CPU platforms.

	ABCI	Summit	Oakforest-PACS
GPU/CPU	V100	V100	KNL
GPUs/CPUs per node	4	6	1
Peak performance [GFlops]	7,800	7,800	3,046
STREAM BW [GByte/s]	835	835	480(MCDRAM)
Interconnect BW/node [GByte/s]	25	25	12.5

processor (KNL) and the Omni Path interconnect. Although the interconnect bandwidth on the ABCI and the Summit is doubled from that on the Oakforest-PACS, it is shared by four and six GPUs, and the interconnect bandwidth per GPU becomes 1/2 and 1/3, respectively. On GPU platforms, we use CUDA 9.2 and gcc 4.8.5 (-O3) together with OpenMPI 2.1.6 on the ABCI and IBM-Spectrum MPI on the Summit. On the Oakforest-PACS, we use the Intel compiler 17.0.4 with the Intel MPI library 2017 (-O3 -qopenmp -xMIC-AVX512), and the CPU solvers are processed using MCDRAM in a flat mode. Each MPI rank is assigned to a single GPU/CPU, and we use 128 threads on KNL with 68 cores. In the P-CBCG solver, we use s=12 for both the CPU and GPU solvers. As discussed in Sec.IV-B, the CPU and GPU solvers use different preconditioners. The convergence criterion is given by the relative residual error of  $10^{-8}$ . In Fig 4, the re-designed GPU preconditioner increases the number of iterations by  $\sim 40\%$ . This ratio is similar to that in the single CPU/GPU test in Table I. This may indicate that the convergence degradation ratio is mainly determined by local block sizes, while the number of iterations depends on the total problem size.

#### C. Impact of communication overlap

Table V shows detailed cost distributions of CPU and GPU solvers on 1,024 CPUs/GPUs with and without the communication overlap. In the measurement, each kernel is synchronized and the communication overlap is turned off with keeping the surface-core decomposition of related computing kernels. The CPU solver does not use the communication overlap, because the surface-core decomposition of computing kernels gives significant performance degradation on KNL. The cost of global collective communication on the Oakforest-PACS is an order of magnitude larger than the GPU platforms, while the P-CBCG solver reduces it to  $\sim 1/3$  and  $\sim 1/5$  on

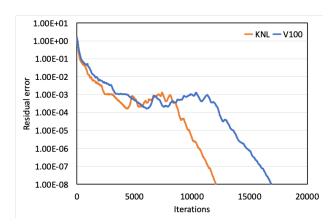
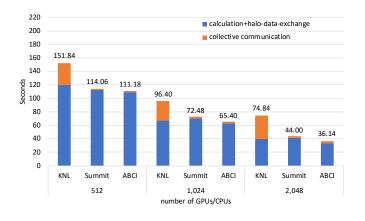


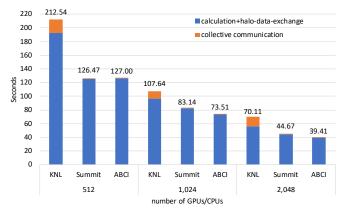
Fig. 4: Convergence properties of the P-CG solvers using the CPU and GPU preconditioners. A large JUPITER matrix with  $N=N_x\times N_y\times N_z=1,280\times 1,280\times 4,608$  is computed using 2,048 KNLs and GPUs. The CPU and GPU solvers are respectively converged with 12,058 and 16,897 iterations.

TABLE V: Cost distribution (msec/iteration) with and without communication overlap. A large JUPITER matrix with  $N=N_x\times N_y\times N_z=1,280\times 1,280\times 4,608$  is computed using 1,024 KNLs and GPUs. The total cost is shown with and without the communication overlap.

		No Overlap		Overlap	
msec/iteration	KNL	ABCI	Summit	ABCI	Summit
P-CG					
Reduce	2.46	0.20	0.14	0.14	0.14
Halo	0.78	1.48	2.18	1.52	1.98
Precon	2.81	1.61	1.63	1.61	1.63
SpMV	1.21	1.19	1.28	1.21	1.32
AXPY	0.69	0.36	0.38	0.38	0.40
Total w/o overlap	7.95	4.84	5.61	4.86	5.47
Total w/ overlap	-	-	-	3.87	4.29
P-CBCG					
Reduce	0.91	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04
Halo	1.05	1.37	2.12	1.37	2.08
Precon	2.32	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.44
SpMV	1.71	0.93	0.93	0.96	0.96
Matrix	2.75	1.09	1.10	1.09	1.10
Total w/o overlap	8.74	4.86	5.63	4.87	5.62
Total w/ overlap	-	-	-	4.35	4.92

these platforms, respectively. On the other hand, the halo data communication on the ABCI and the Summit is respectively  $\sim 2\times$  and  $\sim 3\times$  slower than the Oakforest-PACS, reflecting the interconnect bandwidth per CPU/GPU. The GPU preconditioner is  $\sim 1.7\times$  faster than the CPU preconditioner, when the computational cost per iteration is compared. The SpMV kernel in the P-CBCG solver is  $\sim 1.8\times$  faster on V100, while the P-CG solver shows the similar SpMV performance on KNL and V100. The remaining AXPY and matrix kernels are  $\sim 1.8\times$  and  $\sim 2.5\times$  faster on V100. The SpMV and AXPY kernels show almost the same costs with and without the communication overlap, indicating small overheads due to the surface-core decomposition. The overall speedup of computing kernels in the P-CG and the P-CBCG solvers becomes  $\sim 1.5\times$ 





(a) P-CG cross platform results

(b) P-CBCG cross platform results

Fig. 5: Cross platform comparisons using the ABCI, the Summit, and the Oakforest-PACS. Strong scaling tests up to 2,048 KNLs/GPUs are performed using a large JUPITER matrix with  $N=N_x\times N_y\times N_z=1,280\times 1,280\times 4,608$ .

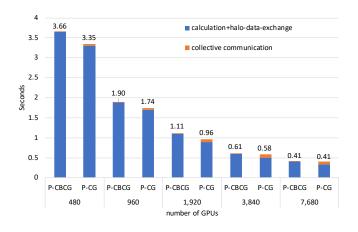


Fig. 6: Strong scaling tests up to 7,680 GPUs on the Summit are performed using a large JUPITER matrix with  $N=1,280\times 1,280\times 4,608$ . The number of iterations is fixed to 480 SpMVs both in the P-CG and P-CBCG solvers.

and  $\sim 2\times$ , respectively, which are reasonable performance gains expected from the memory bandwidth ratio of  $\sim 1.7\times$  between KNL and V100.

The cost distribution clearly shows that the halo data communication is the remaining critical bottleneck especially on GPUs. To resolve this issue, we implement the communication overlap. In the P-CG solver, the SpMV and AXPY kernels are overlapped with the halo data communication. On the ABCI, the cost of the former computing kernels becomes comparable to the latter communication kernel. On the other hand, on the Summit, the latter exceeds the former, and the communication cost cannot be fully hidden. In fact, when the communication overlap is turned on, the ABCI is  $\sim 10\%$  faster than the Summit, while the total cost reduction exceeds more than 25% on both GPU platforms. In the P-CBCG solver, only the SpMV

kernel is used for the communication overlap, and the total cost reduction is limited to  $10\% \sim 15\%$ . On 1,024 GPUs, an impact of the communication overlap exceeds that of CA on the global collective communication, and the P-CG solver is faster than the P-CBCG solver.

## D. Strong scaling test

First, we compare strong scaling of the P-CG and P-CBCG solvers up to 2,048 GPUs/CPUs. The strong scaling of the P-CG solver is shown in Figure 5a, where the performance gains between 512 and 2,048 CPUs/GPUs are  $2.0\times,\ 2.5\times,$  and  $3.1\times$  on the Oakforest-PACS, the Summit, and the ABCI, respectively. On the Oakforest-PACS, the P-CG solver shows good scaling up to 1,024 CPUs. However, for the 2,048 CPU case, the global collective communication accounts for almost  $\sim50\%$  of the total cost. On the ABCI and the Summit, the P-CG solver keeps low global collective communication costs, and shows good scaling up to 2,048 GPUs. The performance gain of the GPU solver over the CPU solver ranges from  $1.3\sim1.7\times$  on the Summit and  $1.3\sim2.0\times$  on the ABCI, although executing 40% more iterations.

Figure 5b shows the strong scaling of the P-CBCG solver. All solvers show good scaling up to 2,048 CPUs/GPUs, where the performance gains from 512 CPUs/GPUs are  $3.0\times$ ,  $2.8\times$ , and  $3.2\times$  on the Oakforest-PACS, the Summit, and the ABCI, respectively. On the Oakforest-PACS, the P-CBCG solver keeps better scaling, because the CA property reduces the global collective communication to  $\sim 20\%$  of the total cost. On both GPU platforms, the global collective communication is negligible, and the computing kernels with the halo data communication becomes dominant. The performance gain of the GPU solver over the CPU solver ranges from  $1.2\sim 1.6\times$  on the Summit and  $1.4\sim 1.7\times$  on the ABCI.

Finally, Fig. 6 presents strong scaling up to 7,680 GPUs on the Summit. In this test, we fix the number of iterations to 480 to save the computational cost. Both the P-CG and P-

CBCG solvers show good strong scaling up to 7,680 GPUs, where the performance gains from 480 GPUs are  $9.1\times$ , and  $10.0\times$ , respectively. The P-CBCG solver has  $\sim 3\times$  and  $\sim 1.25\times$  larger computation and memory access than the P-CG solver [16]. In addition, the communication overlap provides larger cost reduction in the P-CG solver. Because of these advantages, the P-CG solver outperforms the P-CBCG solver up to 3,840 GPUs. However, on 7,680 GPUs, both solvers become comparable. Here, the cost of global collective communication in the P-CG solver increases up to  $\sim 20\%$  of the total cost, while it is suppressed to  $\sim 1.3\%$  in the P-CBCG solver, showing almost ideal cost reduction  $\sim 1/s$ .

#### VI. CONCLUSION

In this work, we extended the JUPITER with the GPU Poisson solvers based on the P-CG and P-CBCG methods. All main kernels were implemented using CUDA. By using the DIA format, coalesced memory access was achieved inside the SpMV kernel. The BJ preconditioner was re-designed in order to take full advantage of the GPU hardware. A new 3D block decomposition with finer tiles and data transpose allowed the preconditioner kernel to utilize a several orders of magnitude larger number of threads with keeping the coalesced memory access, while the number of iterations was increased by  $\sim 40\%$ . The TS matrix operations were optimized using the batched GEMM routine in the NVIDIA cuBLAS library. The other TS matrix kernels were refactored and optimized using the shared memory. The communication overlap was implemented using multiple CUDA streams, by dividing the computing kernels into core and surface parts. Our GPU implementation achieved  $\sim 90\%$  of the theoretical performance limit based on the roofline model.

The developed solvers showed good strong scaling up to 7,680 GPUs on the Summit, where the P-CG solver outperformed the P-CBCG solver up to 3,840 GPUs. It was found that the communication overlap has larger impact on the P-CG solver, while the global collective communication becomes 1/s in the P-CBCG solver. The total performance is determined by the competition between these CA properties, and the latter becomes significant beyond several thousands GPUs. In a cross platform comparison, the GPU solvers on the ABCI and the Summit were compared with the CPU solvers on the Oakforest-PACS using  $512 \sim 2,048$  CPUs/GPUs. The speedup of the GPU solvers ranged from  $1.3 \sim 2.0 \times$  in the P-CG solver and  $1.3 \sim 1.7 \times$  in the P-CBCG solver. It was also shown that the ABCI is  $\sim 10\%$  faster than the Summit, because of larger interconnect bandwidth per GPU with less GPU density per node.

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