Evaluation of DataSpaces in Heterogeneous In-situ workflow for GPU-MURaM at Exascale

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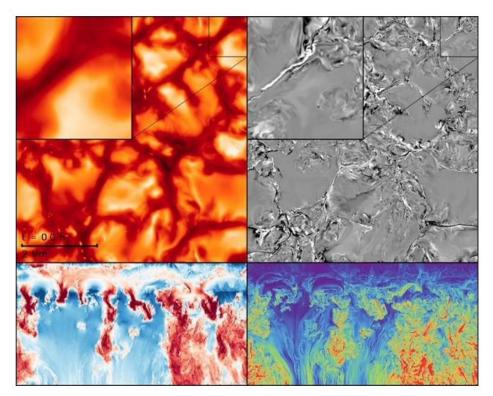
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Background

- MURaM is the primary solar model used for simulations of the upper convection zone, photosphere and corona.
- 100x acceleration is needed to keep up the simulation with the real time data from telescope.
- MURaM have been ported to use scalable GPUs to achieve this!
- As computation is optimized, I/O and post processing becomes the next major bottleneck.



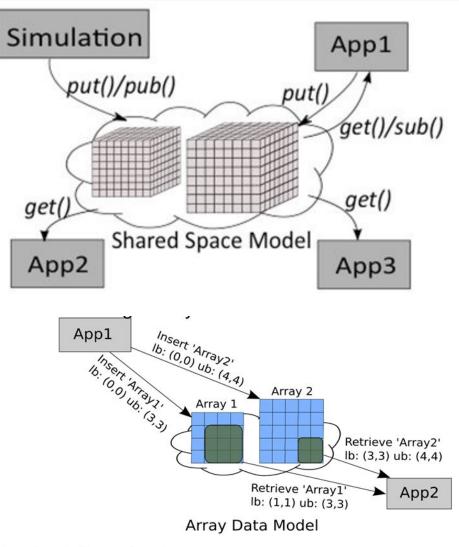
MURaM simulation of solar granulation

• Thus, both converting this workflow to an in-situ approach and a staging-based IO subsystem for this in-situ workflow are critical problems need to be addressed.



Design (Architecture)

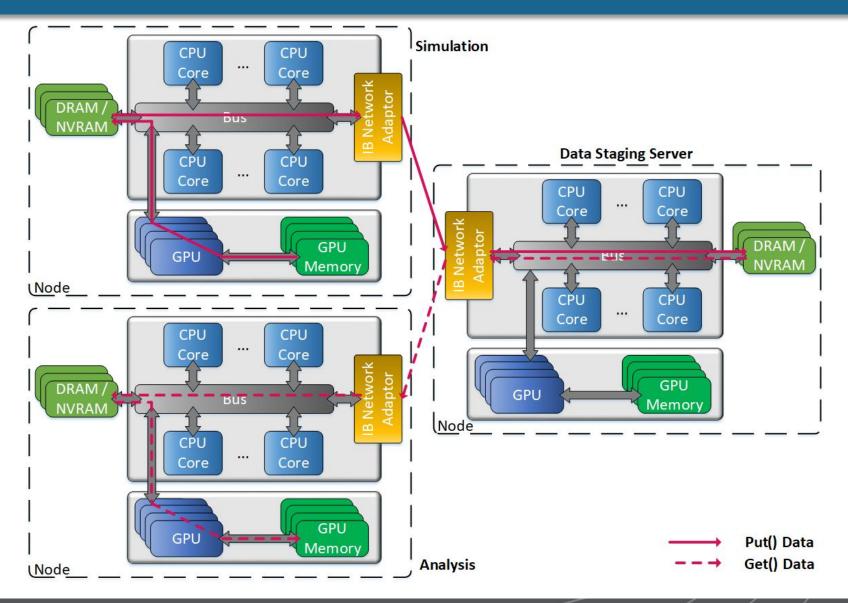
- DataSpaces is a distributed framework provides data staging service for a coupled in-situ workflow.
- Supports tcp, verbs, gni, etc.. via OFI, UCX ...
- Use N-dimensional bounding box index, allowing flexible partial data access pattern.
- We plan to use DataSpaces as the data bridge between components in the MURaM workflow.



lb: lower bound, ub: upper bound

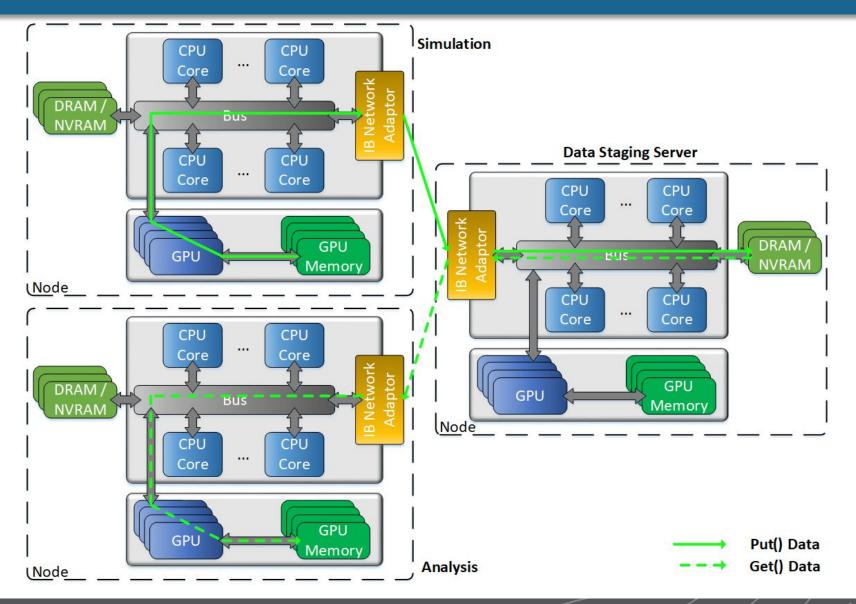


Method 1: Data Flow Details (Device-Host + CPU-CPU)





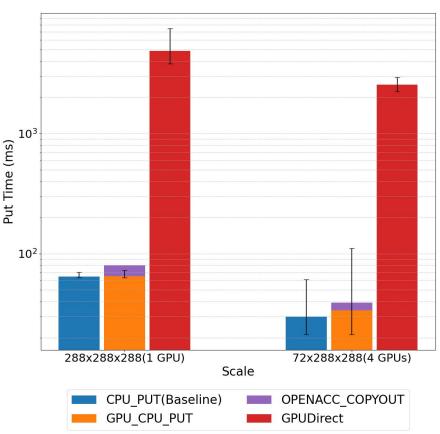
Method 1: Data Flow Details (GPU Direct)





Evaluation

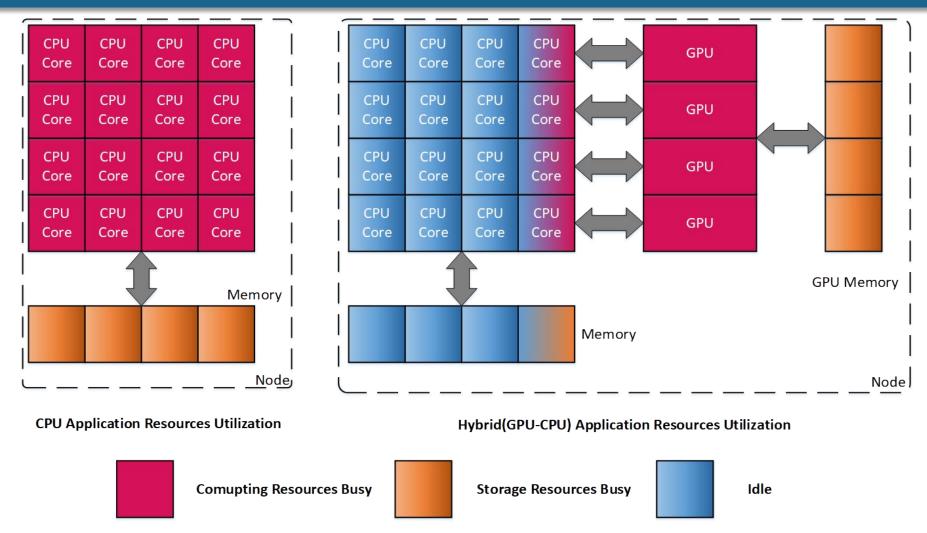
- Our experiments were performed on CASPER system.
- Simulations nodes:
 - 768 GB DDR4-2666 memory per node
 - 2 18-core 2.6-GHz Intel Xeon Gold 6240 (Cascade Lake) processors per node
 - 2 Mellanox ConnectX-6 HDR200 InfiniBand adapters. HDR100 link on each CPU socket
 - 4 NVIDIA Tesla V100 32GB SXM2 GPUs with NVLink
- Staging servers nodes:
 - 394 GB DDR4-2666 memory per node
 - 2 18-core 2.6-GHz Intel Xeon Gold 6240 (Cascade Lake) processors per node
 - 1 Mellanox ConnectX-6 HDR200 InfiniBand VPI adapter. HDR100 link on each CPU socket
- This is only the test code, not MuRAM!
- MuRAM code needs huge modifications to adapt to GPU Direct. (In Progress)



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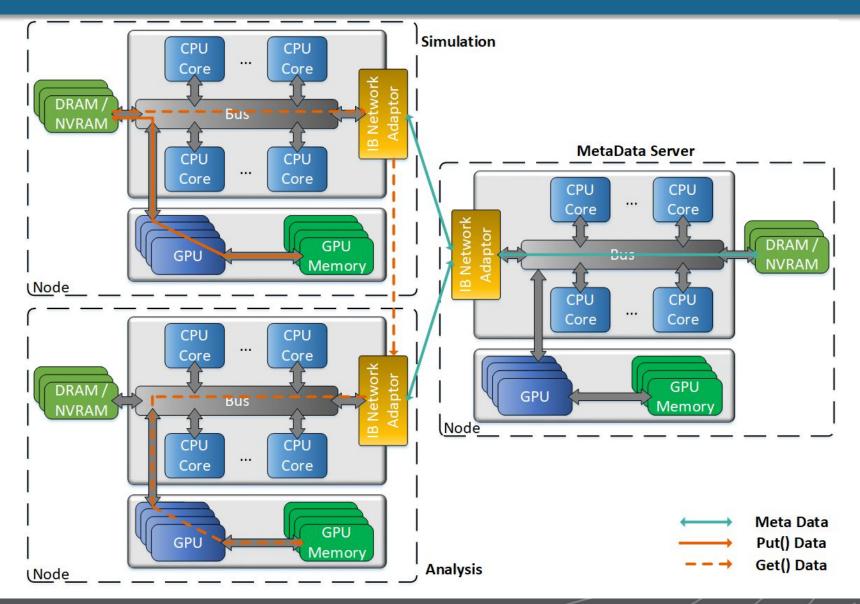
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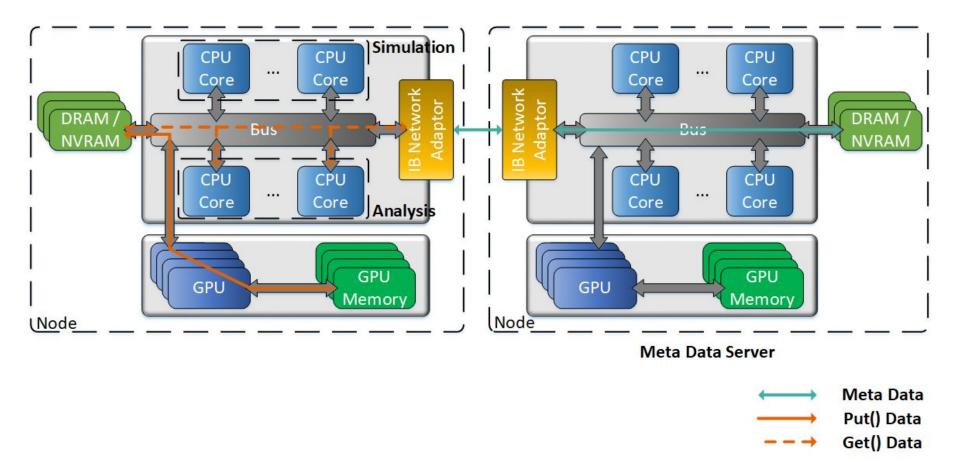
Instead of having a set of dedicated data staging servers, we can distribute the staging region to data producer's CPU memory.



Method 2: Data Flow Details (Local Data Storage)

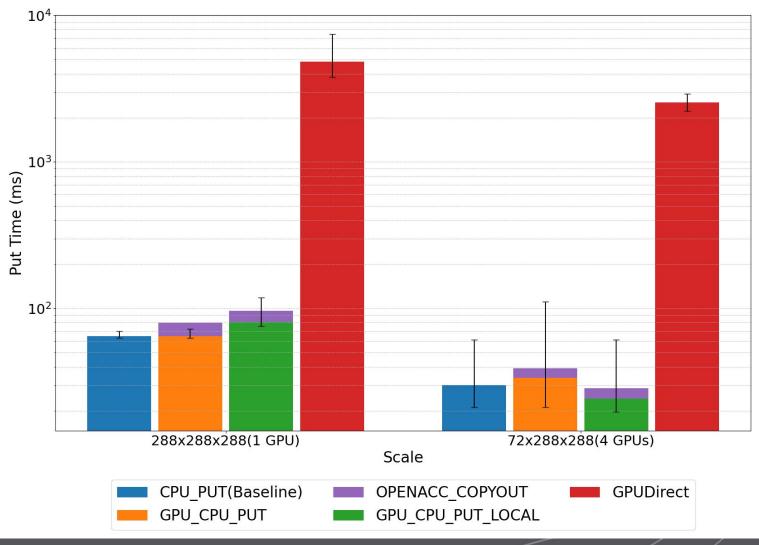








Evaluation



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Finished Work

So far, the work I finished includes:

- Learning about MURaM simulation I/O
- Building DataSpaces on CASPER
- Integrating DataSpaces as a staging backend to MURaM simulation.
- Exploring the GPUDirect over Infiniband options as the network layer
- Implementing the test code for proposed methods
- Collecting evaluation results

All the detailed documentation could be found in my wiki space:

https://wiki.ucar.edu/pages/viewpage.action?spaceKey=~bz186&title=SIPARCS-P roject6-InSitu



Lessons Learned

So far, some Lessons I learned includes:

- How MURaM simulation I/O behaves
- How to run MURaM on CASPER
- Environmental variables and special configurations for building DataSpaces
 together with MURaM on CASPER
- GPUDirect over Infiniband functionality resides in rdma-core
- The network card configuration is completely different between the GPU nodes and CPU nodes on CASPER
- How to profile using Nvidia's toolkit.
- Performance of GPUDirect over Infiniband is still bad; needs optimization



Next Steps

For the next stage, my planned work includes:

- Migrating all the methods which are finished in test code to the MuRAM
- Collecting the evaluation results for MuRAM
- Reproduce the result on another machine (Frontrea at TACC)
- Profiling the test code and try to find out the bottleneck
- Replacing the network substrate from OFI to MPI to check the performance



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Q & A



Thanks for listening!

