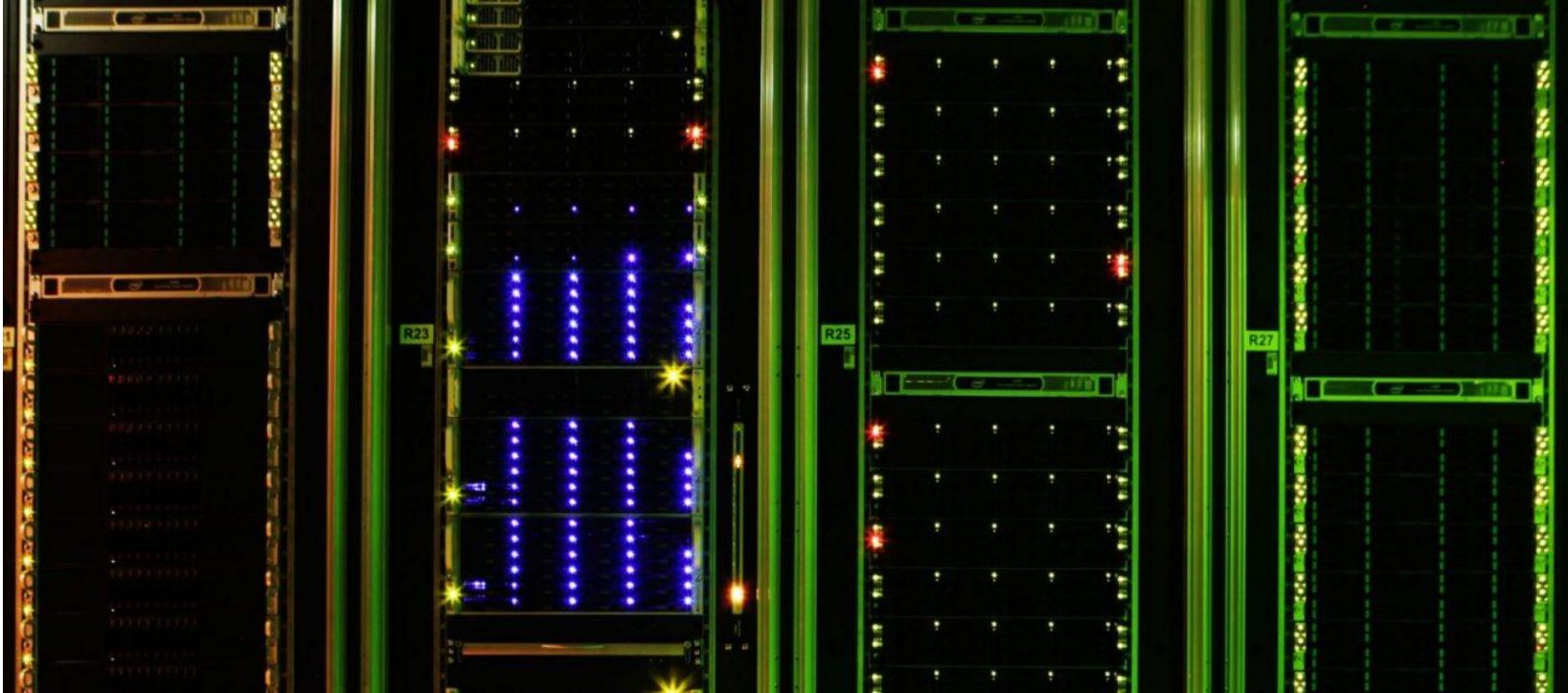


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SOLEDGE3X GPU Porting

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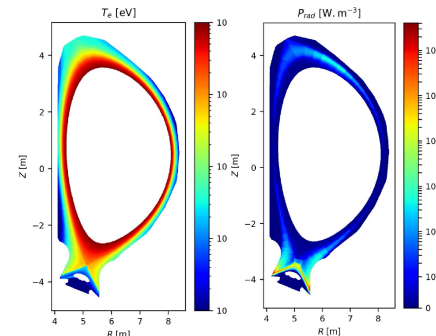
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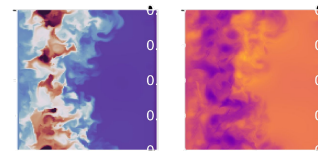
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- **SOLEDGE3X**: multi-fluid modelling tool for the edge plasma
- Key features:
 - **Neutrals** either fluid (embedded) or kinetic (EIRENE)
 - Complete plasma **geometrical flexibility** (arbitrary number of X-points)
 - Usable in **2D or 3D**
 - Usable as **mean-field or self-consistent turbulence** code
- The numerical scheme uses:
 - mix explicit-implicit scheme
 - based on 2D or 3D finite volumes
 - WENO methods for the advection
 - following terms are treated implicitly
 - Parallel viscosity
 - Parallel heat conduction
 - vorticity

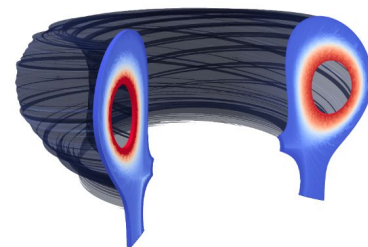
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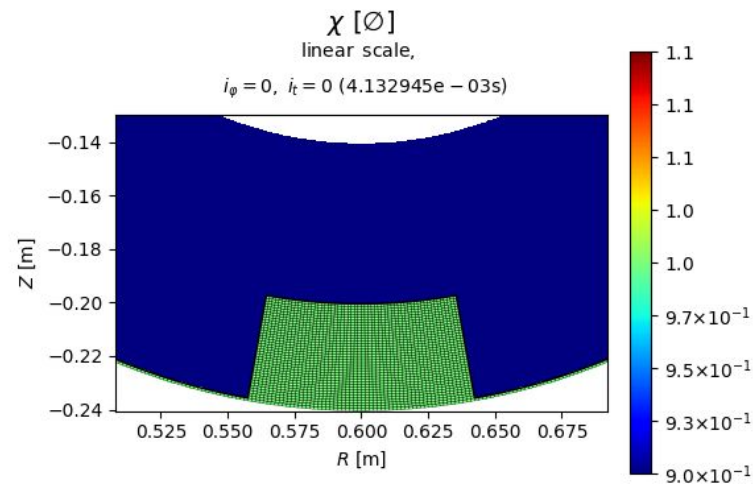
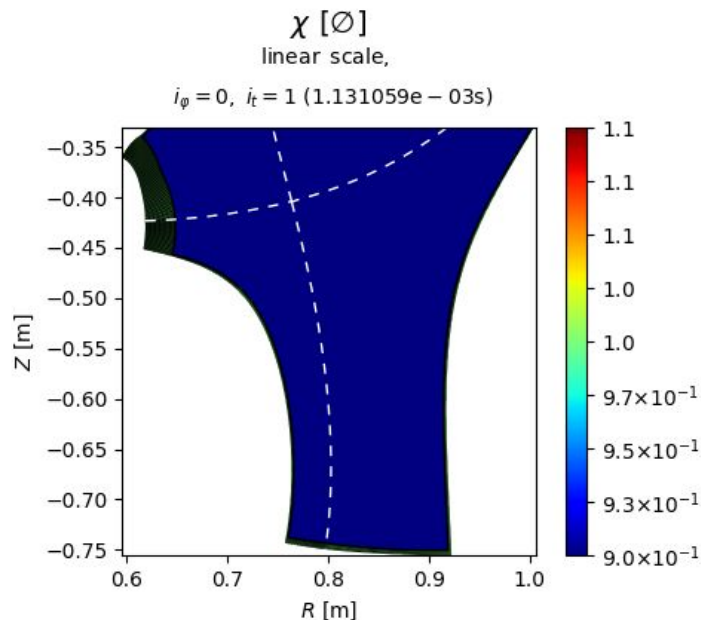


- 3 level domain decomposition:
 1. Structured zones for magnetic topology
 2. **MPI blocks: prioritized by flux surface** across zones
 - If $N_{\text{MPI}} \leq N_{\text{FS}}$ each MPI process in charge of a set of FS
 - If $N_{\text{MPI}} > N_{\text{FS}}$ largest flux surfaces will be shared by a team of MPI processes
 3. **Thread chunks**: no direction priority, aiming at load balance between chunks
 - OpenMP loops are on chunks and species, not on mesh points inside chunks

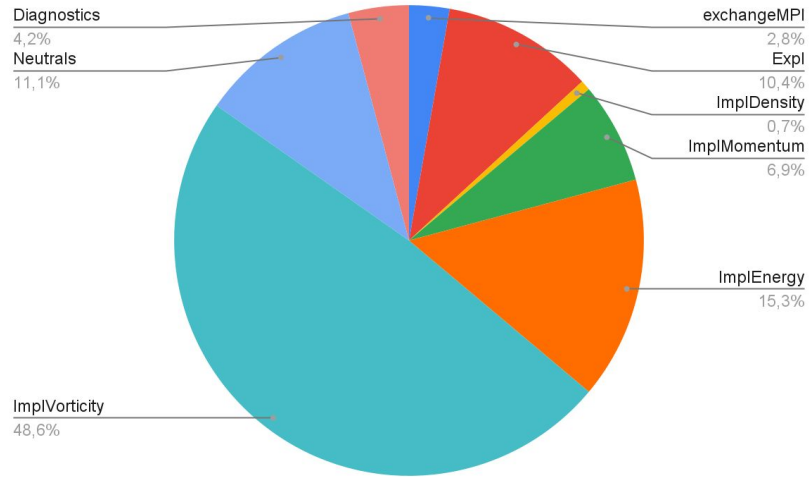
```
!$OMP DO SCHEDULE(RUNTIME) COLLAPSE(2)
do ichunk = 1, split%Nchunks
  do ispec = 0, Nspecies
    do ipsi = ipsiminWG, ipsimaxWG
      do itheta = ithetaminWG, ithetamaxWG
        do iphi = iphiminWG, iphimaxWG
```

SOLEEDGE3X boundary conditions

- Wall shape defined through mask function χ
- 2 types of boundary conditions:
 - Edges of wall mask => imposed through fluxes for most of them
 - Edges of simulation domain, typically one coes as wall should surround the plasma



- CPU profiling



■ GPU porting

- Maintain a single version of the code
- Ensure code portability and readability
- Generic pragma for OpenMP/OpenACC
 - Same approach for other codes such as ASCOT5 and CAS3D
- Open ACC/MP for advection and matrix construction
- PETSC (with CUDA/HIP) for linear solvers

```
GPU_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS
do ispec=1,Nspecies
  melt(specElt(ispec))=SpecMass(ispec)
end do
GPU_END_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS

GPU_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS collapse(3)
do ipsi = ipsimin, ipsimax
  do itheta = ithetamin, ithetamax
    do iphi = iphimin, iphimax
      ..some work
    end do !phi
  end do !theta
end do !psi
GPU_END_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS
```

```
#ifndef gpu_commands
#define gpu_commands
#ifdef _OPENMP

#define GPU_MAP_TO_DEVICE !$omp target enter data map(to:
#define GPU_MAP_FROM_DEVICE !$omp target exit data map(from:

#define GPU_ALLOC_ON_DEVICE !$omp target enter data map(alloc:
#define GPU_DELETE_FROM_DEVICE !$omp target exit data map(delete:

#define GPU_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS !$omp target teams distribute parallel do simd
#define GPU_END_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS !$omp end target teams distribute parallel do simd

#define GPU_LOOP_LEVEL_1 !$omp target teams distribute
#define GPU_END_LOOP_LEVEL_1 !$omp end target teams distribute

#define GPU_LOOP_LEVEL_2 !$omp parallel do simd
#define GPU_END_LOOP_LEVEL_2 !$omp end parallel do simd

#elif _OPENACC

#define GPU_MAP_TO_DEVICE !$acc enter data copyin(
#define GPU_MAP_FROM_DEVICE !$acc exit data copyout(

#define GPU_ALLOC_ON_DEVICE !$acc enter data create(
#define GPU_DELETE_FROM_DEVICE !$acc exit data delete(

#define GPU_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS !$acc parallel loop
#define GPU_END_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS !$acc end parallel loop

#define GPU_LOOP_LEVEL_1 !$acc parallel loop gang
#define GPU_END_LOOP_LEVEL_1 !$acc end parallel loop

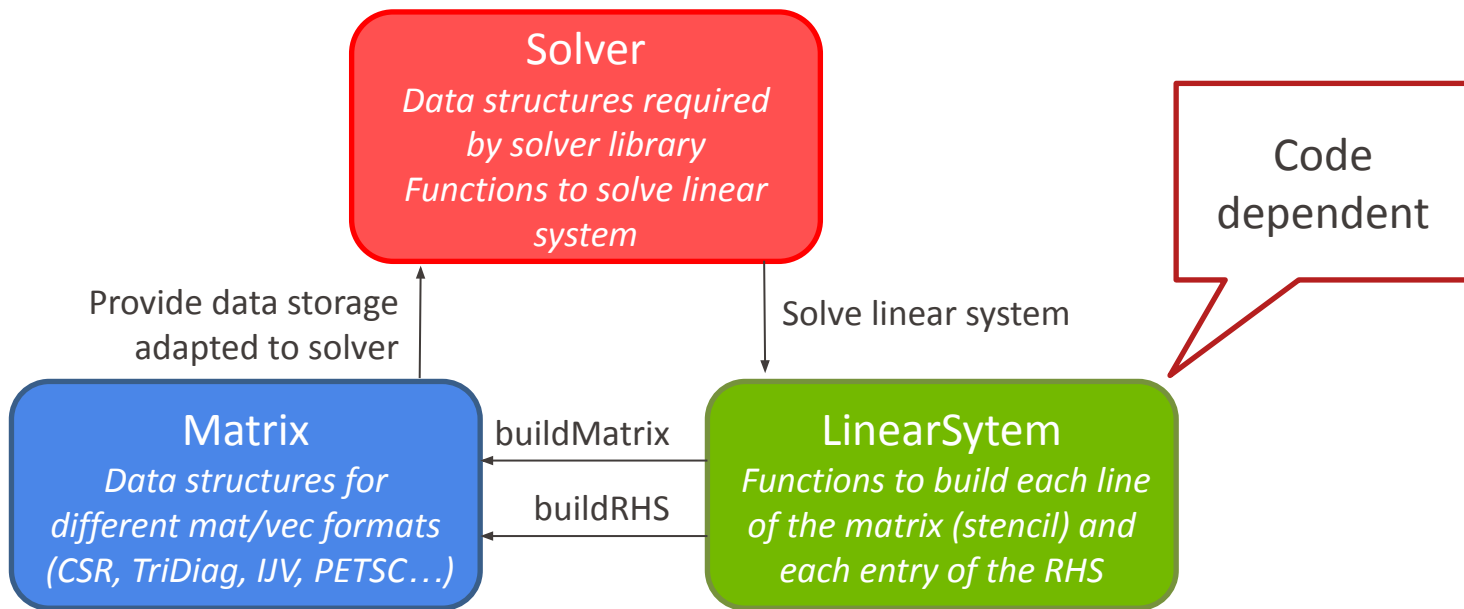
#define GPU_LOOP_LEVEL_2 !$acc loop worker vector
#define GPU_END_LOOP_LEVEL_2

#endif
#endif
```

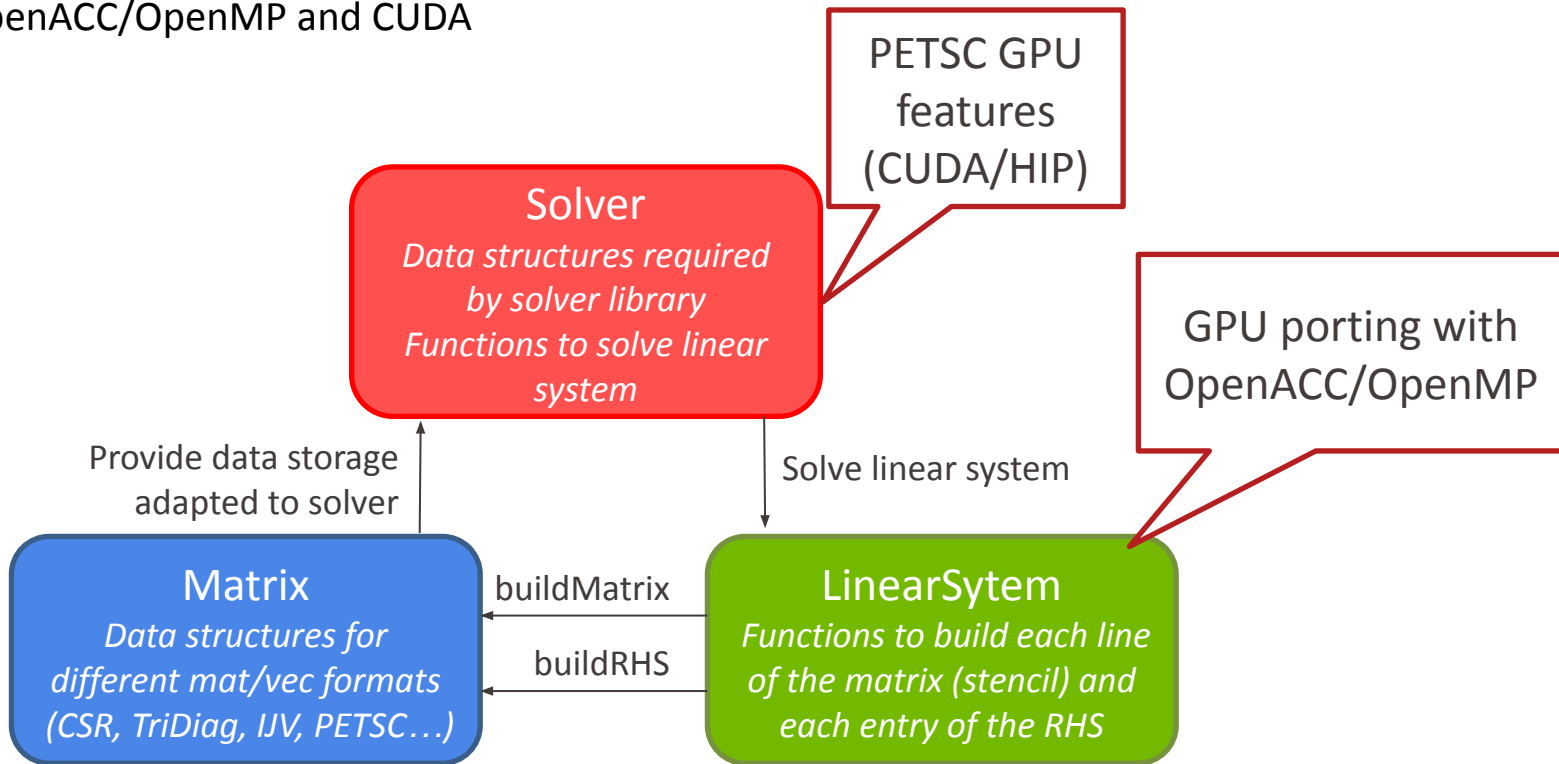
■ 5 implicit solvers in SOLEDGE3X :

- **Parallel viscosity** terms
 - **Parallel heat conduction** terms
 - **Vorticity** equation
 - (optional) **fluid neutrals**
 - (optional) **potential filter**
 - and more for EM ...
- 2D
- 3D

- Implicit solvers
 - solvers management based on 3 Fortran classes



- Mix OpenACC/OpenMP and CUDA



LinearSystem on GPU

- PETSC matrix filling is now done with PETSC **MatSetValuesCOO** instead of *MatSetValues* allowing to fill matrix with arrays instead of scalars, more efficient for GPU (and CPU too ...)

```

do ipsi = ipsimin, ipsimax
  do itheta = ithetamin, ithetamax
    do iphi = iphimin, iphimax
      do ifield = 1, self%NdofPerPoint
        ! Get local row index and carry on only if it is non-zero
        ! (otherwise means that this point is not part of the linear system, e.g. mask points)
        irowLoc = self%getMatLocalIndex(ichunk, ipsi, itheta, iphi, ifield)
        if (irowLoc.GE.1) then
          ! Get stencil of local line of matrix
          call self%getStencil(ichunk, ipsi, itheta, iphi, ifield, &
            stencSize, stencIpsi, stencItheta, stencIphi, stencIfield, stencVal)
          irowGlobList(1) = self%getMatGlobalIndex(ichunk, ipsi, itheta, iphi, ifield) - 1 ! PETSC
indexing is from 0
          do istencil = 1, stencSize
            icolGlobList(istencil) = self%getMatGlobalIndex(ichunk, &
              stencIpsi(istencil), stencItheta(istencil), stencIphi(istencil),
stencIfield(istencil)) &
              - 1 ! PETSC indexing is from 0
            enddo ! istencil
            call MatSetValues(mat_ptr%PETSCmat, 1, irowGlobList, stencSize, icolGlobList, &
              stencVal, INSERT_VALUES, ierrPETSC)
          endif ! irowLoc >= 1
        enddo ! ifield
      enddo ! iphi
    enddo ! itheta
  enddo ! ipsi

```

initial linSys_buildMat version

```

!!$omp target teams distribute parallel do simd collapse(3) use_device_ptr(p_vorticity_stencVal_coo)
!$acc parallel loop
do ipsi = ipsimin, ipsimax
  do itheta = ithetamin, ithetamax
    do iphi = iphimin, iphimax
      do ifield = 1, self%NdofPerPoint
        ! Get local row index and carry on only if it is non-zero
        ! (otherwise means that this point is not part of the linear system, e.g. mask points)
        irowLoc = self%getMatLocalIndex(ichunk, ipsi, itheta, iphi, ifield)
        if (irowLoc.GE.1) then
          ! Get stencil of local line of matrix
          call self%getStencil(ichunk, ipsi, itheta, iphi, ifield, &
            stencSize, stencIpsi, stencItheta, stencIphi, stencIfield, stencVal)
          irowGlobList(1) = self%getMatGlobalIndex(ichunk, ipsi, itheta, iphi, ifield) - 1 ! PETSC
indexing is from 0
          do istencil = 1, stencSize
            icolGlobList(istencil) = self%getMatGlobalIndex(ichunk, &
              stencIpsi(istencil), stencItheta(istencil), stencIphi(istencil),
stencIfield(istencil)) &
              - 1 ! PETSC indexing is from 0
            enddo
            p_vorticity_stencVal_coo(cnt:cnt+stencsize-1) = stencVal(1:stencSize)
            cnt = cnt + stencSize
          endif ! irowLoc >= 1
        enddo ! ifield
      enddo ! iphi
    enddo ! itheta
  enddo ! ipsi
!$acc end parallel loop
!!$omp end target teams distribute parallel do simd
cnt = cnt - 1
petsc_cnt = cnt
!$acc host_data use_device ( mat_ptr%p_stencVal_coo )
!!$omp is_device_ptr ( mat_ptr%p_stencVal_coo )
call MatSetValuesCOO(mat_ptr%PETSCmat, mat_ptr%p_stencVal_coo(1:cnt), INSERT_VALUES, ierrPETSC)

```

new linSys_buildMat version

Boundary Conditions and MPI

- Generic structure `TFieldsSet` for physical fields
 - list of fields in a `TFieldsSet` structure
- Get flattened structure
- Make a generic communication routine based on the generic fields structure
- use of GPU direct

```
do ispec = 0, Nspec
  fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%n => fieldsSet%sets(ispec)%fields(ifield)%data
  ifield = ifield + 1
  fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%g => fieldsSet%sets(ispec)%fields(ifield)%data
  ifield = ifield + 1
  fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%t => fieldsSet%sets(ispec)%fields(ifield)%data
  GPU_ATTACH_PTR fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%n
  GPU_ATTACH_PTR fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%g
  GPU_ATTACH_PTR fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%t
```

```
allocate(sndBuff(Nbuff))
allocate(rcvBuff(Nbuff))

GPU_ALLOC_ON_DEVICE sndBuff )
GPU_ALLOC_ON_DEVICE rcvBuff )
do ifield= 1, flatFilelds%Nfields
  GPU_ATTACH_PTR flatFields%fields(ifield)%data
end do

GPU_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS
do ibuff = 1, Nsnd_loc
  do ifield = 1, NfieldsCnt
    sndBuff((ibuff-1)*NfieldsCnt+ifield) = flatFields%fields(ifieldsCnt(ifield))%data(iphi,itheta,ipsi)
  enddo
enddo ! ibuff
GPU_END_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS

GPU_USE_DEVICE_POINTER sndBuff, rcvBuff )
call MPI_ALLTOALLV(sndBuff, sndcounts, snddispls, MPI_DOUBLE_PRECISION, &
  rcvBuff, rcvcounts, rcvdispls, MPI_DOUBLE_PRECISION, MPIcomm, IERR)
GPU_END_USE_DEVICE_POINTER
```

- Collision - GPU version was not GPU-friendly
 - Implemented as a large monolithic kernel
 - Call of Lapack for each GPU thread
 - Matrix dimension depending on the #species
 - Many local scratch arrays
 - Register spilling:
 - GPU stack lives in registers;
 - when not enough registers are available, their content is said to spill into a special scratch memory – a perthread addressable region of main memory
 - ⇒ must be allocated and freed at the kernel execution boundary
 - ⇒ thus increasing even more the kernel duration

```
!$acc parallel loop gang worker collapse(3)
do isi= ipsimin, ipsimax
  do itheta = ithetamin, ithetamax
    do iphi = iphimin, iphimax
      !$acc parallel loop vector collapse(2)
      do ispec2 = 1, Nspecies
        do ispec = 1, Nspecies
          ... some work on specirs ...
          ... some work building matrix M ...
          IM = LAPACKInvert(M)
          ... some work on IM ...
        end do
      end do
    end do
  end do
end do
```

- Collision - new version more GPU-friendly (and CPU-friendly!)
 - Decomposed into multiple smaller and independent kernels
 - Uses batched data structures for improved throughput
 - Employs LAPACK batched routines for matrix inversion

```
do ipsi_start = ipsiminWG, ipsimaxWG, blockSizePsi
  do itheta_start = ithetaminWG, ithetamaxWG, blockSizeTheta
    do iphi_start = iphiminWG, iphimaxWG, blockSizePhi
      ! End of block index
      ipsi_end = min(ipsi_start +blockSizePsi -1, ipsimaxWG )
      itheta_end = min(itheta_start+blockSizeTheta-1, ithetamaxWG)
      iphi_end = min(iphi_start +blockSizePhi -1, iphimaxWG )
      Npts = (ipsi_end-ipsi_start+1)*(itheta_end-itheta_start+1)*(iphi_end-iphi_start+1)
      GPU_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS COLLAPSE(4)
      do ispec = 0, Nspecies
        do ipsi = ipsi_start, ipsi_end
          do itheta = itheta_start, itheta_end
            do iphi = iphi_start, iphi_end
              ipt = ((ipsi - ipsi_start) * ntheta + (itheta - itheta_start)) * nphi + (iphi - iphi_start) + 1
              GPU_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS COLLAPSE(3)
              do ispec2 = 1, nspec
                do ispec = 1, nspec
                  do ipt = 1, Npts
                    conductivities_out(ipt,ispec,ispec2) = ...
                  end do
                end do
              end do
            end do
          end do
        end do
      end do
    end do
  end do
  IM_batched = LAPACKInvert_batched(M_batched,Npts)
```

Diagnostics

- generic structure TFieldsSet for fields in the frame of a domain
 - list of fields in a TFieldsSet structure
- get flatten structure the fields
- make a generic communication routine based on the generic fields structure.

```
do ispec = 0, Nspec
  fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)% n => fieldsSet%sets(ispec)%fields(ifield)%data
  ifield = ifield + 1
  fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)% G => fieldsSet%sets(ispec)%fields(ifield)%data
  ifield = ifield + 1
  fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)% T => fieldsSet%sets(ispec)%fields(ifield)%data
  GPU_ATTACH_PTR fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%n
  GPU_ATTACH_PTR fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%G
  GPU_ATTACH_PTR fieldsLoc%spec(ispec)%T
```

```
call diagFields_computeStats(self%splitPsiPhiPlane, self%fieldsPsiPhiPlaneFlat,
self%fieldsStatsPsiPhiPlaneFlat, self%timeStatsAgregatePhi, NPP)
```

Explicit solvers

- The explicit solvers can often be ported reasonably easily but some functions have additional constraints.
- *NGammaT3D*, computing fluxes for the advection, illustrates some of these constraints.
- CPU/GPU Transfers are handled “by hand”

NGammaT3D - Original CPU version

```

if (any(b1_ptr(:, :, :).NE.0._dp).OR.any(bEM1_ptr(:, :, :).NE.0._dp).OR.any(vperp1(:, :, :).NE.0._dp)) then
  do itheta = ithetamin, ithetamax
    do iphi = iphimin, iphimax
      call NGammaT1D(mass, n_ptr(iphi, itheta, :), G_ptr(iphi, itheta, :), T_ptr(iphi, itheta, :), vperp1(iphi, itheta, :), &
        b1_ptr(iphi, itheta, :), bEM1_ptr(iphi, itheta, :), J_ptr(iphi, itheta, :), fluxN_psi(iphi, itheta, :), fluxG_psi(iphi, itheta, :), fluxE_psi(iphi, itheta, :), chi_ptr(iphi, itheta, :))
    enddo
  enddo
endif

```

Loop calling 1D function (limits parallelism)

Non-contiguous slices passed to function

NGammaT1D - Original CPU version

```

! Recovers the size of the arrays
Nz = size(n)

! Allocate memory for temporary arrays
allocate(v(1:Nz))
allocate(nl(1:Nz), v1(1:Nz), T1(1:Nz))
allocate(nr(1:Nz), vr(1:Nz), Tr(1:Nz))

! Computes the parallel velocity
v = G / n

! Proceed to the WENO extrapolation of all the fields
call weno1D(n, nl, nr, 2, chi)
call weno1D(v, v1, vr, 2, chi)
call weno1D(T, T1, Tr, 2, chi)

! Applies thresholds on the extrapolated fields to avoid non
! physical values (negative densities, temperatures...)
nl = max(nl, NthreshMin)
nr = max(nr, NthreshMin)
T1 = max(T1, TthreshMin)
Tr = max(Tr, TthreshMin)

```

Local allocations in loops

Vectorised operations

```

! Loop on cell faces and apply the Marquina's scheme
do iz = 2, Nz-2
  call NGammaTMarquina(mass, nl(iz), v1(iz), T1(iz), vperp1(iz), b1(iz), J1(iz), &
    nr(iz), vr(iz), Tr(iz), vperp1(iz), br(iz), Jr(iz), FluxM)
  fluxN(iz+1) = fluxN(iz+1) + FluxM(1)
  fluxG(iz+1) = fluxG(iz+1) + FluxM(2)
  fluxE(iz+1) = fluxE(iz+1) + FluxM(3)
enddo

! Clears memory
deallocate(v)
deallocate(nl, v1, T1)
deallocate(nr, vr, Tr)

```

Loops in function called from a loop

NGammaT3D - New GPU version

```
if (any(metric(ichunk)%b1(:, :, :).NE.0._dp).OR.any(metric(ichunk)%bEM1(:, :, :).NE.0._dp).OR.any(vperp1(:, :, :).NE.0._dp)) then
  call transpose_array_3d(fieldsLoc(ichunk)%spec(ispec)%n, n_ptr, 3, 1, 2, n_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(fieldsLoc(ichunk)%spec(ispec)%G, G_ptr, 3, 1, 2, G_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(fieldsLoc(ichunk)%spec(ispec)%T, T_ptr, 3, 1, 2, T_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(metric(ichunk)%b1, b_ptr, 3, 1, 2, b_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(metric(ichunk)%bEM1, bEM_ptr, 3, 1, 2, bEM_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(metric(ichunk)%J, J_ptr, 3, 1, 2, J_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(chi(ichunk)%ival, chi_ptr, 3, 1, 2, chi_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(fluxN_psi, fluxN_ptr, 3, 1, 2, fluxN_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(fluxG_psi, fluxG_ptr, 3, 1, 2, fluxG_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(fluxE_psi, fluxE_ptr, 3, 1, 2, fluxE_buffer)
  call transpose_array_3d(vperp1, vperp_ptr, 3, 1, 2, vperp_buffer)
  call NGammaT1D(mass, n_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), G_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), T_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), vperp_ptr, &
    b_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), bEM_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), J_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), &
    fluxN_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), fluxG_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), fluxE_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), chi_ptr(:, lboundZ:, lboundY:), &
    NxWG, Nz, Ny)
  call transpose_array_3d(fluxN_ptr, fluxN_psi, 2, 3, 1)
  call transpose_array_3d(fluxG_ptr, fluxG_psi, 2, 3, 1)
  call transpose_array_3d(fluxE_ptr, fluxE_psi, 2, 3, 1)
endif
```

← Slices transposed to contiguous layout

← Loop calling 3D function to keep possible parallelism

NGammaT1D - New GPU version

```

allocate(v(1:Nz,1:Ny,1:Nx))
allocate(nl(1:Nz,1:Ny,1:Nx), v1(1:Nz,1:Ny,1:Nx), Tl(1:Nz,1:Ny,1:Nx))
allocate(nr(1:Nz,1:Ny,1:Nx), vr(1:Nz,1:Ny,1:Nx), Tr(1:Nz,1:Ny,1:Nx))

GPU_ALLOC_ON_DEVICE v, nl, v1, Tl, nv, vr, Tr)

! Computes the parallel velocity
GPU_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS collapse(3)
do ix = 1,Nx
  do iy = 1,Ny
    do iz = 1, Nz
      v(iz,iy,ix) = G(iz,iy,ix) / n(iz,iy,ix)
    end do
  enddo
enddo
GPU_END_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS

! Proceed to the WENO extrapolation of all the fields
call weno1D_gpu(n,nl,nr,2,chi,Nx,Ny,Nz)
call weno1D_gpu(v,v1,vr,2,chi,Nx,Ny,Nz)
call weno1D_gpu(T,Tl,Tr,2,chi,Nx,Ny,Nz)

```

Large
allocations

Pass 3D objects to
functions to preserve
maximum parallelism

Unroll vectorised
operations.
3D collapsed loops lead
to maximum parallelism

```

! Applies thresholds on the extrapolated fields to avoid non physical values (negative densities, temperatures...)
GPU_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS collapse(3)
do ix = 1,Nx
  do iy = 1,Ny
    do iz = 1, Nz
      nl(iz,iy,ix) = max(nl(iz,iy,ix),NthreshMin)
      nr(iz,iy,ix) = max(nr(iz,iy,ix),NthreshMin)
      Tl(iz,iy,ix) = max(Tl(iz,iy,ix),TthreshMin)
      Tr(iz,iy,ix) = max(Tr(iz,iy,ix),TthreshMin)
    end do
  enddo
enddo
GPU_END_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS

! Loop on cell faces and apply the Marquina's scheme
GPU_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS collapse(3) private(FluxM)
do ix = 1,Nx
  do iy = 1,Ny
    do iz = 2, Nz-2
      call NGammaTMarquina1D(mass,nl(iz,iy,ix),v1(iz,iy,ix),Tl(iz,iy,ix),vperp1(iz,iy,ix),bl(iz,iy,ix),Jl(iz,iy,ix), &
        nr(iz,iy,ix),vr(iz,iy,ix),Tr(iz,iy,ix),vperpr(iz,iy,ix),br(iz,iy,ix),Jr(iz,iy,ix),FluxM)
      fluxN(iz+1,iy,ix) = fluxN(iz+1,iy,ix) + FluxM(1)
      fluxG(iz+1,iy,ix) = fluxG(iz+1,iy,ix) + FluxM(2)
      fluxE(iz+1,iy,ix) = fluxE(iz+1,iy,ix) + FluxM(3)
    enddo
  enddo
enddo
GPU_END_PARALLEL_LOOP_ALL_LEVELS

GPU_DELETE_FROM_DEVICE v, nl, v1, Tl, nv, vr, Tr)

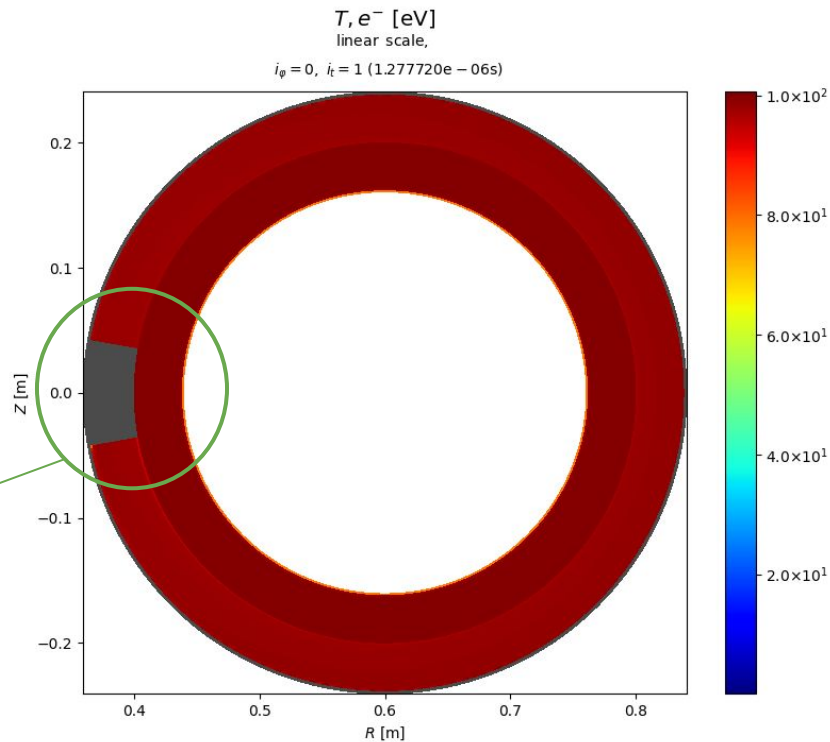
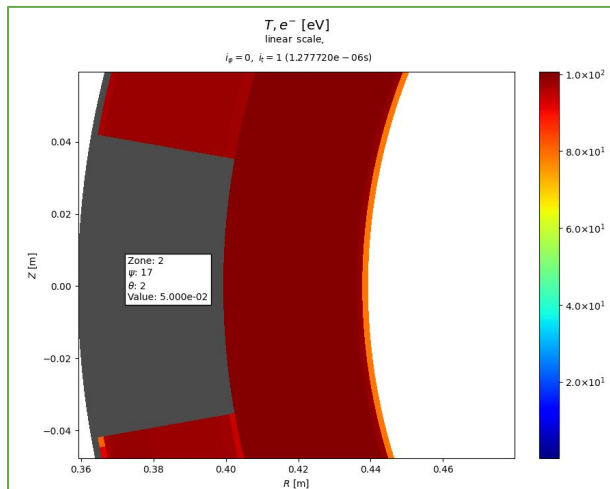
! Clears memory
deallocate(v)
deallocate(nl, v1, Tl)
deallocate(nr, vr, Tr)

```

Function must be
annotated to be
called from GPU

Benchmark

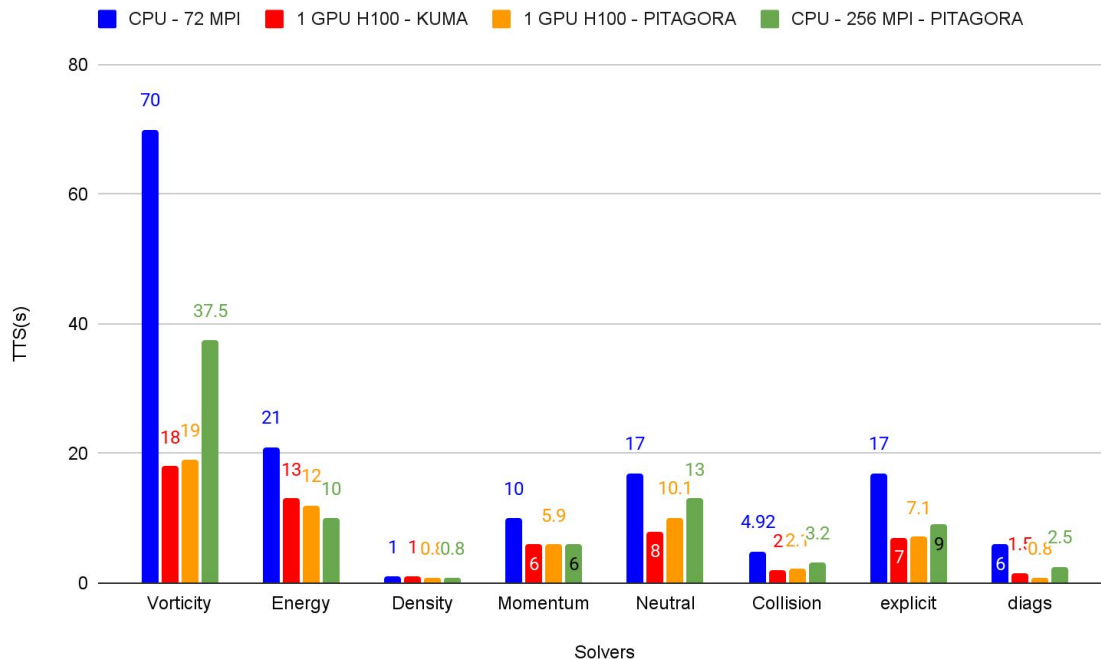
- Test case:
 - Npsi = 64, Ntheta = 512, Nphi = 64
 - presence of a wall
 - Petsc for all implicit solvers
 - Neutrals
 - Vorticity filtering



Preliminary results

■ Benchmark:

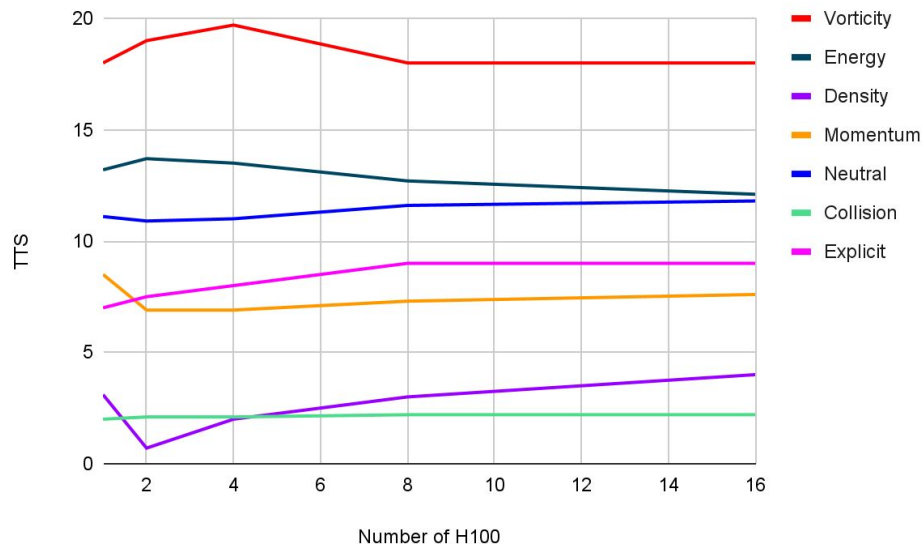
- **Jed@EPFL**: 2x Platinum 8360Y - 72 MPI
- **Kuma@EPFL**: H100 - 1 GPU
- **Pitagora@CINECA**: H100 - 1 GPU
- **Pitagora@CINECA**: H100 - 256 MPI



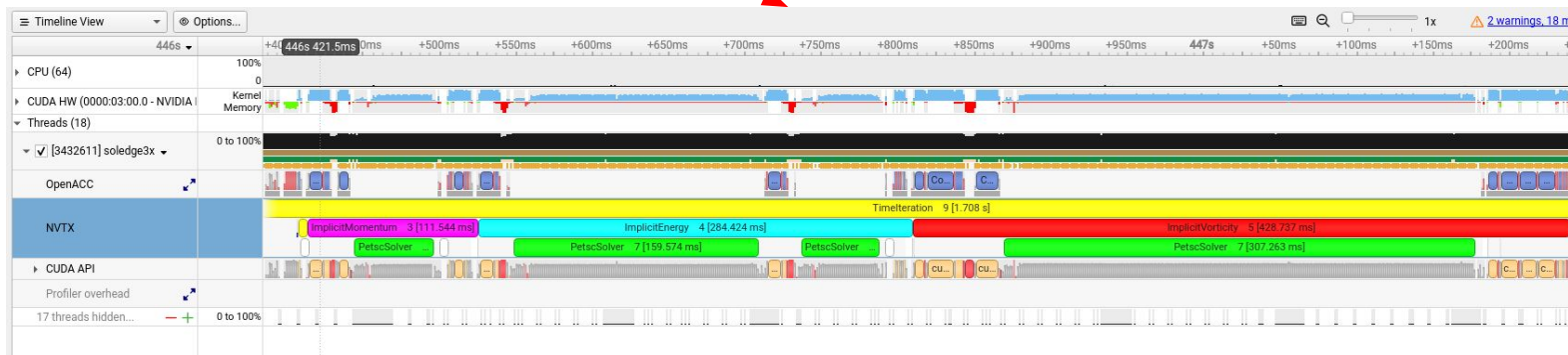
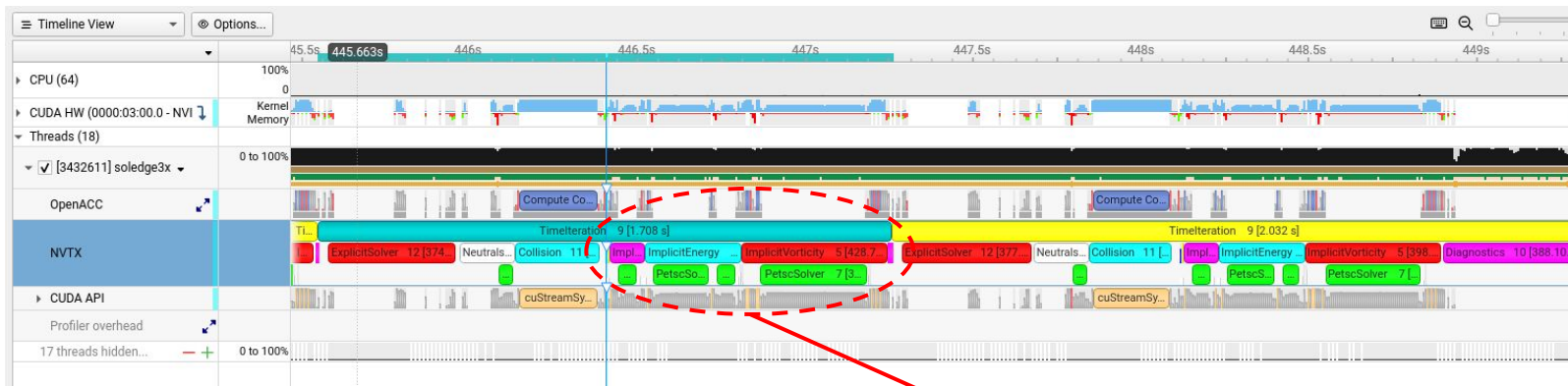
Weak scaling

■ Benchmark:

- Kuma@EPFL: H100, nvhpc/24.3
- 2M cells per H100 or per cpu Nodes
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Profiling Nsys



work in progress

- Optimize Transfers
- GPU porting of Diags and Handle Diags with asynchronous tasks
- Test with OpenMP Offload