

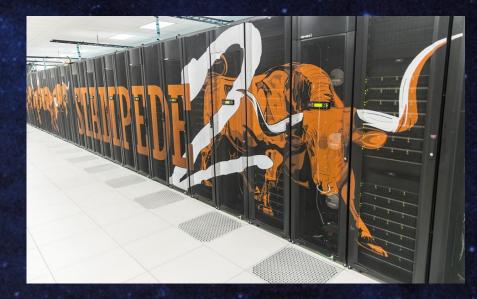
STAMPEDE 2 UPDATE

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STAMPEDE 2

- Funded by NSF as a renewal of the original Stampede project
- The largest XSEDE resource (and largest university-based system in the US)
- Follows the legacy of success of Stampede 1 as a supercomputer for a *broad* range of workloads, large and small
- Installed without ever having a break in service in the same footprint
- Composed of Intel "Knights Landing" Xeon Phi (Phase 1) and Intel "Sky Lake" Xeon (Phase 2) processors; 18PF total





STAMPEDE 2 – 3 PHASES

• Phase 1 – June 2017

- 4,204 Intel Xeon Phi 7250 "Knights Landing" (KNL) nodes
- ~20PB (usable) Lustre Filesystem (Cray), 310GB/s to /scratch.
- Intel OmniPath Architecture (OPA) Fabric Fat Tree topology
- Ethernet fabric and (some) management infrastructure.
- Phase 2 December 2017
 - 1,736 Intel Xeon Platinum 8160 "Skylake" two-socket nodes
 - (Associated rack level networking, but core in phase 1).
 - Balance of management hardware, new Skylake servers
- Phase 3 2nd half 2018
 - 3D Xpoint NVDIMMS as an experimental component in a small subset of the system.



TOP 500 – NOVEMBER 2017 Stampede 2 comes in at #12

Rank	System	Cores	Rmax (TFlop/s)	Rpeak (TFlop/s)	Power (kW)
12	Stampede2 - PowerEdge C6320P/C6420, Intel Xeon Phi 7250 68C 1.4GHz/Platinum 8160, Intel Omni-Path , Dell EMC Texas Advanced Computing Center/Univ. of Texas United States	368,928	8,317.7	18,215.8	

Worked on improving our percentage of peak

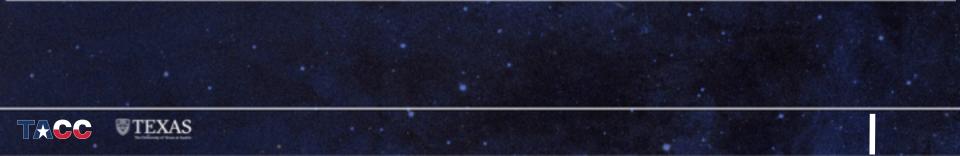
- Binned nodes in terms of peak HPL performance
- Changed the amount of work/node to match performance bin
- Enabled HUGE pages



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Although 2PF faster, we slide from 12 to 15



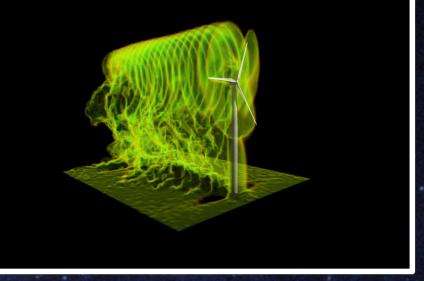
SCIENCE HIGHLIGHTS



REAPING POWER FROM WIND FARMS

Multi-Scale Model of Wind Turbines

- Optimized control algorithm improves design choices
- New high-res models add nacelle and tower effects
- Blind comparisons to wind tunnel data demonstrate dramatic improvements in accuracy
- Potential to increase power by 6-7% (\$600m/yr nationwide)



Graphic from Wind Energy, 2017.

"TACC...give[s] us a competitive advantage..."

Christian Santoni, Kenneth Carrasquillo, Isnardo Arenas-Navarro, and Stefano Leonardi

UT Dallas, US/European collaboration (UTRC, NSF-PIRE 1243482)

RECORD ACHIEVED ON AI BENCHMARK

TACC, Berkeley, Cal Davis collaborate on large-scale Al runs

- Research demonstrating the potential of commodity hardware for AI
- Skylake ImageNet benchmark: (100 epochs, 11 min, 1024 nodes) -- fastest result at time of publication
- Knights Landing ImageNet benchmark (90 epochs, 20 min, 2048 nodes) – 3x faster than Facebook, with higher large-batch accuracy

"Using commodity HPC servers...the time to data-driven discovery is reduced and overall efficiency can be significantly increased." (Niall Gaffney, TACC)

Graphic credit Andrej Karpathy



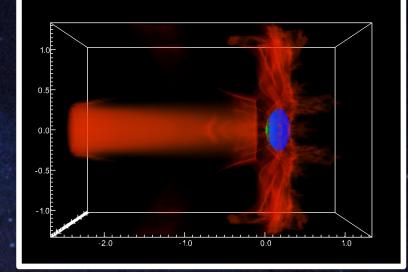
Yang You, Zhao Zhang, Cho-Jui Hsieh, James Demmel, Kurt Keutzer



USING KNL TO PROBE SPACE ODDITIES

Ongoing XSEDE collaboration focusing on KNL performance for new, high-resolution version of COSMOS MHD code

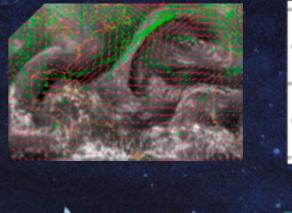
- Vectorization and other serial optimizations improved KNL performance by 50%
- COSMOS currently running 60% faster on KNL than Stampede1
- Work on OpenMP-MPI hybrid optimizations now underway
- Impact of performance improvements amounts to millions of core-hours saved

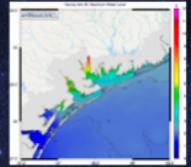


"The science that I do wouldn't be possible without resources like [Stampede2]...resources that certainly a small institution like mine could never support. The fact that we have these national-level resources enables a huge amount of science that just wouldn't get done otherwise." (Chris Fragile)

XSEDE ECSS: Collaboration between PI Chris Fragile (College of Charleston) and Damon McDougall (TACC)







RESPONDING TO HURRICANE HARVEY

- Next Generation Storm Forecasting (with Penn State)
- Storm Surge Modeling (with Clint Dawson UT Austin)
- Preliminary river flooding and inundation maps (David Maidment UT Austin)
- Remote Image Integration and Assimilation (Center for Space Research, UT Austin)

THANKS!

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