

# Recent S3D Science and Performance

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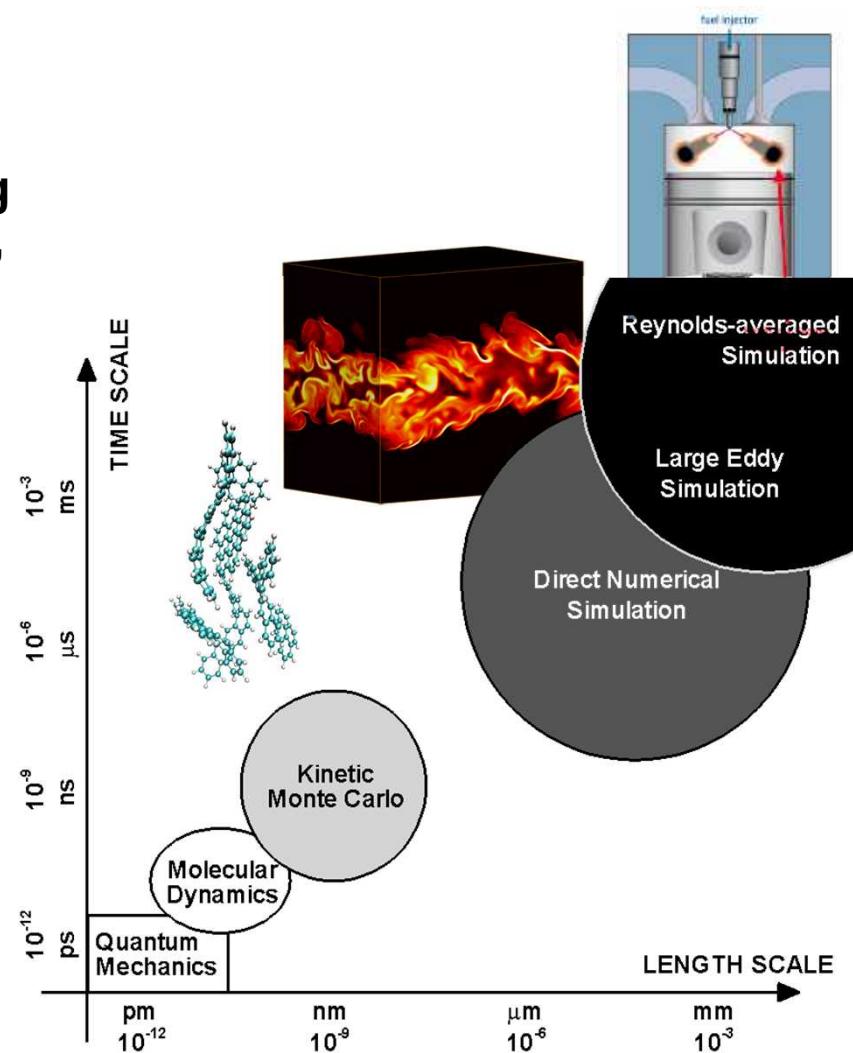
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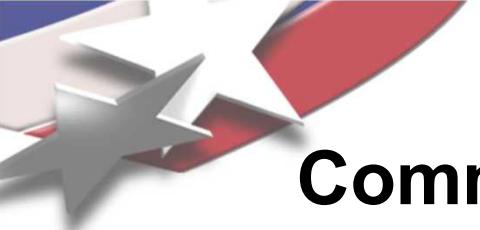
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# Multi-scale Modeling

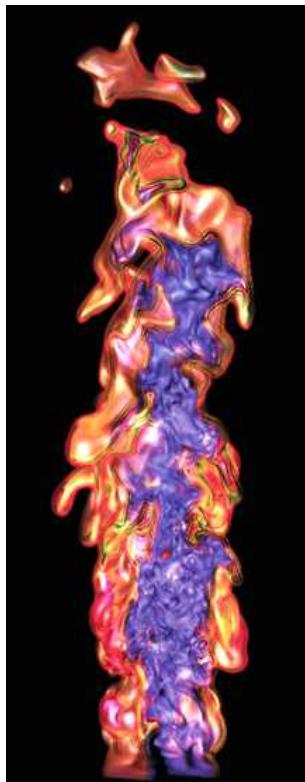
- New engine technologies, combustion modes
  - Sound scientific understanding essential to develop predictive, validated multi-scale models
- Multi-scale modeling describes IC engine processes, from quantum scales up to device-level, continuum scales
- Terascale computing can directly resolve 3 decades of scale



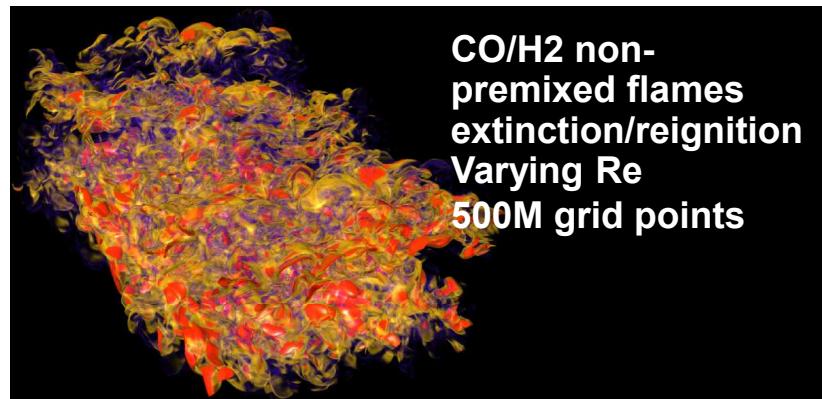
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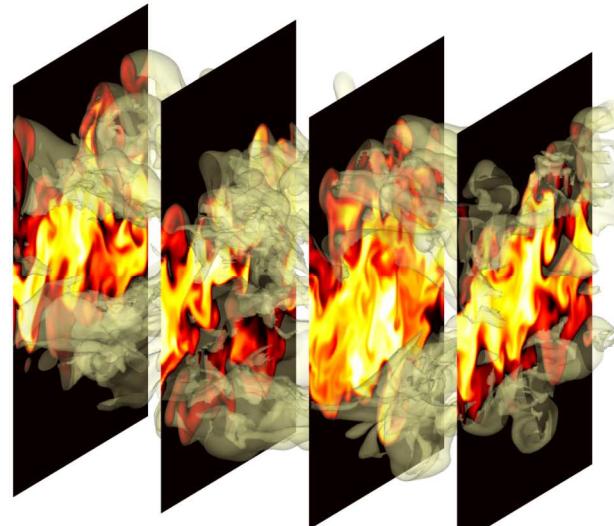
# Community Data for Model Validation



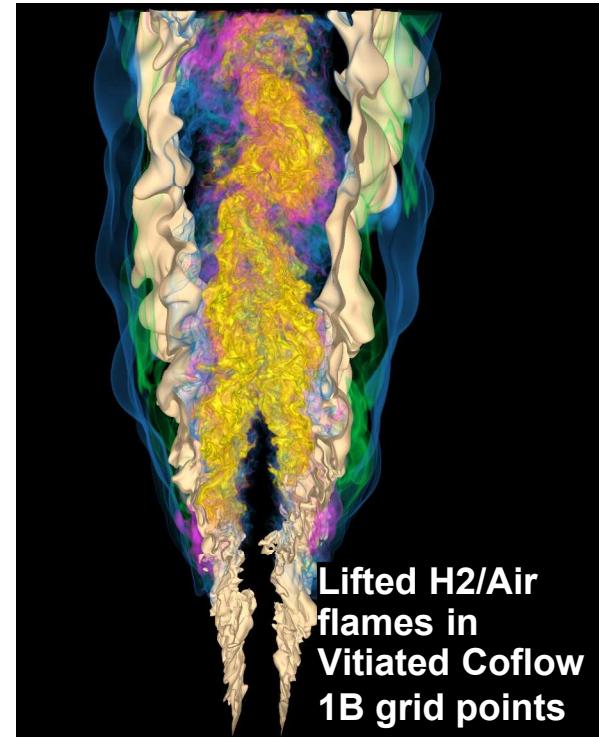
Lean premixed CH<sub>4</sub>/air  
flames (2006)  
200M grid points



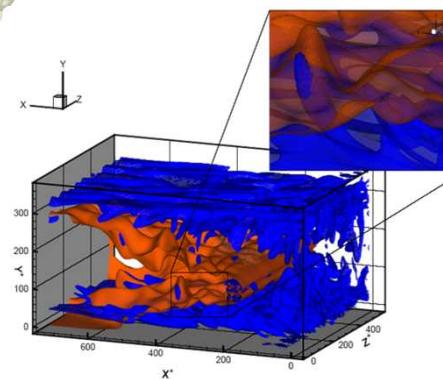
CO/H<sub>2</sub> non-  
premixed flames  
extinction/reignition  
Varying Re  
500M grid points



Ethylene non-premixed sooting  
flames, varying Damköhler no.  
350M grid points



Lifted H<sub>2</sub>/Air  
flames in  
Vitiated Coflow  
1B grid points



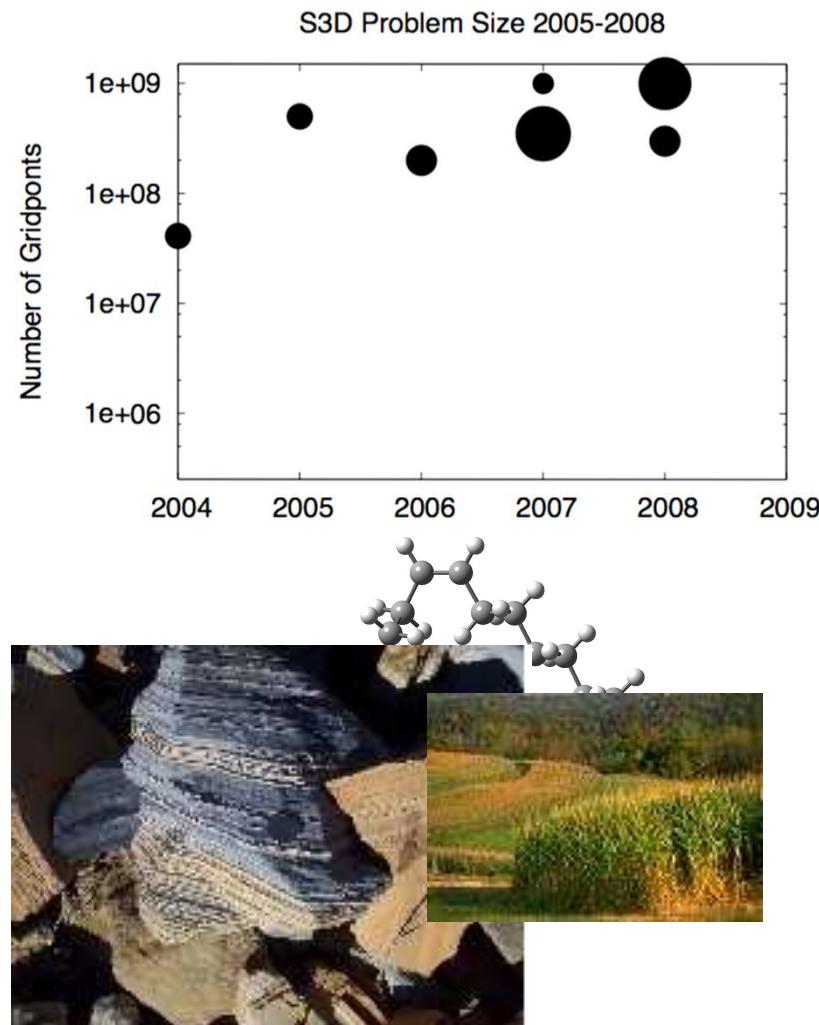
H<sub>2</sub>/Air Flame-wall  
interaction (2006)

Stratified premixed CH<sub>4</sub>/air  
flames (2008)



# A Changing World: New Fuels

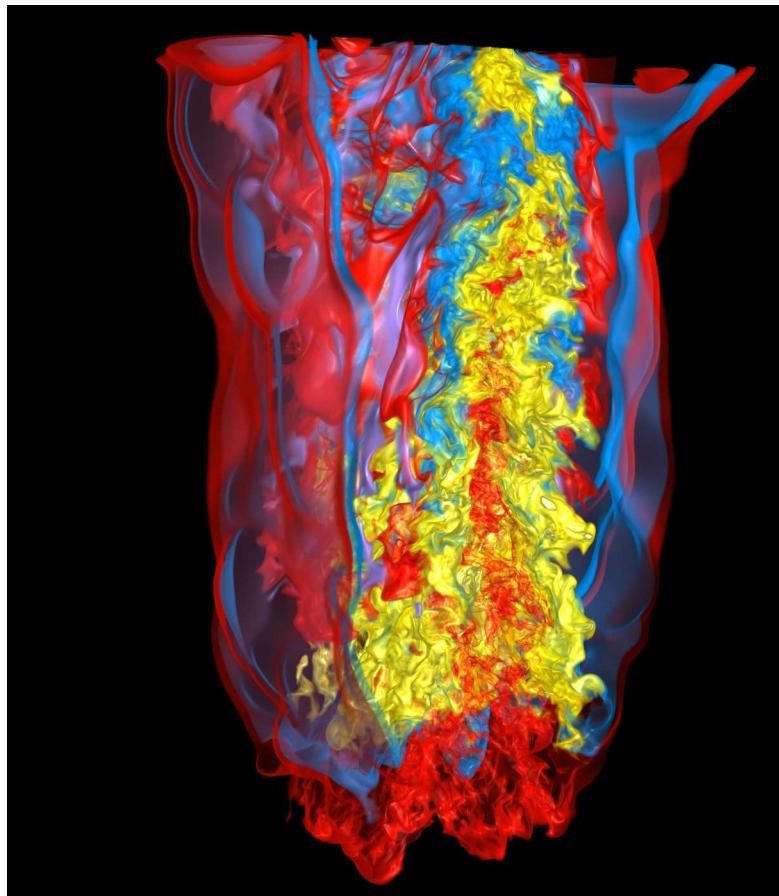
- Fuel streams are rapidly evolving:
  - Heavy hydrocarbons (Oil sands, oil shale, coal)
  - Renewable fuels (Ethanol, biodiesel)
- Alternative fuels present chemical complexity, even with reduced mechanisms:
  - CO/H<sub>2</sub>/Air: 11 Species, 21 Steps
  - CH<sub>4</sub>/Air: 13 Species, 9 (73) Steps
  - C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>/Air: 22 Species, 18 (167) Steps
  - Reduced mechanism for Biodiesel surrogates?





# Lifted Flame Stabilization

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Instantaneous volume rendering of  $\text{HO}_2$  (ignition marker, red and yellow) and  $\text{OH}$  (flame marker, blue)) by H. Yu and K.L. Ma

- DNS reveals flame stabilizes in fuel-lean mixture where temperature is high and scalar dissipation rates are low
- Hydroperoxy radical ( $\text{HO}_2$ )
  - Chemical marker of autoignition in hydrogen-air chemistry, experimentally unobtainable
  - Accumulates upstream of  $\text{OH}$  and other high-temperature radicals

2008 INCITE award enabling DNS of lifted diesel surrogate chemistry for understanding lifted diesel jet stabilization at pressure



## S3D Computational Cost

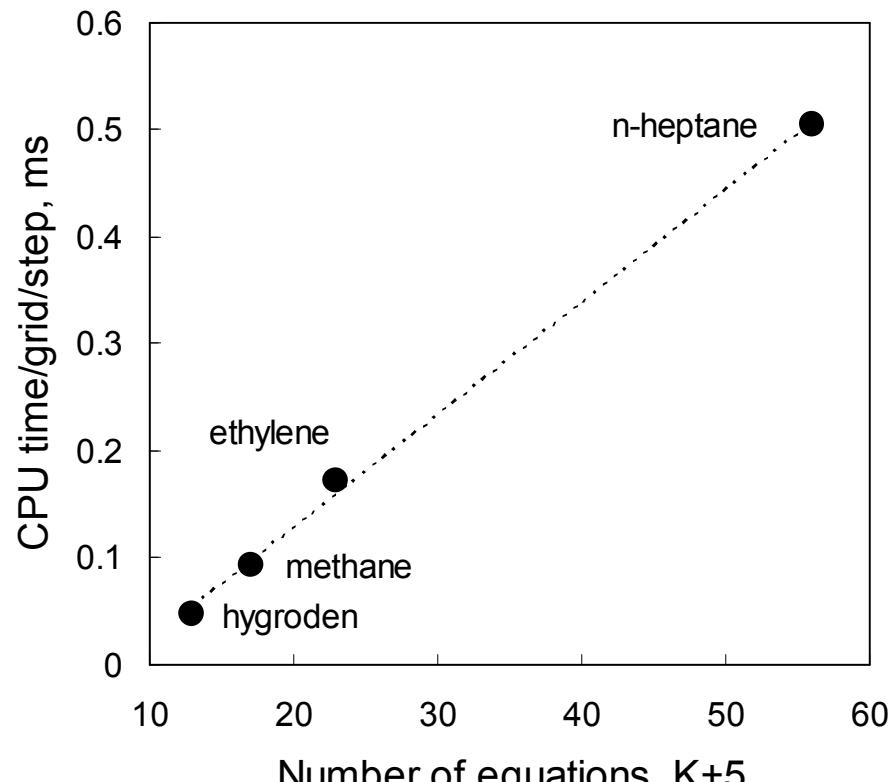
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- Cost of computing per grid-point per time-step
  - Does not depend on number of MPI-threads
    - S3D exhibits ideal weak scaling
    - Cost of communication is minimal
    - Performance limited by single-socket compute rate
  - Depends on architecture
  - Depends on chemical mechanism (number of DOF)
  - Depends on fixed problem size per node
- Problem size varies with mechanism
  - $\text{H}_2$  Lifted Jet required 944 million grid points
  - $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  Lifted Jet required 1.3 billion grid points
  - Difference due to larger domain and longer residence time for ignition of hydrocarbon versus hydrogen mechanism



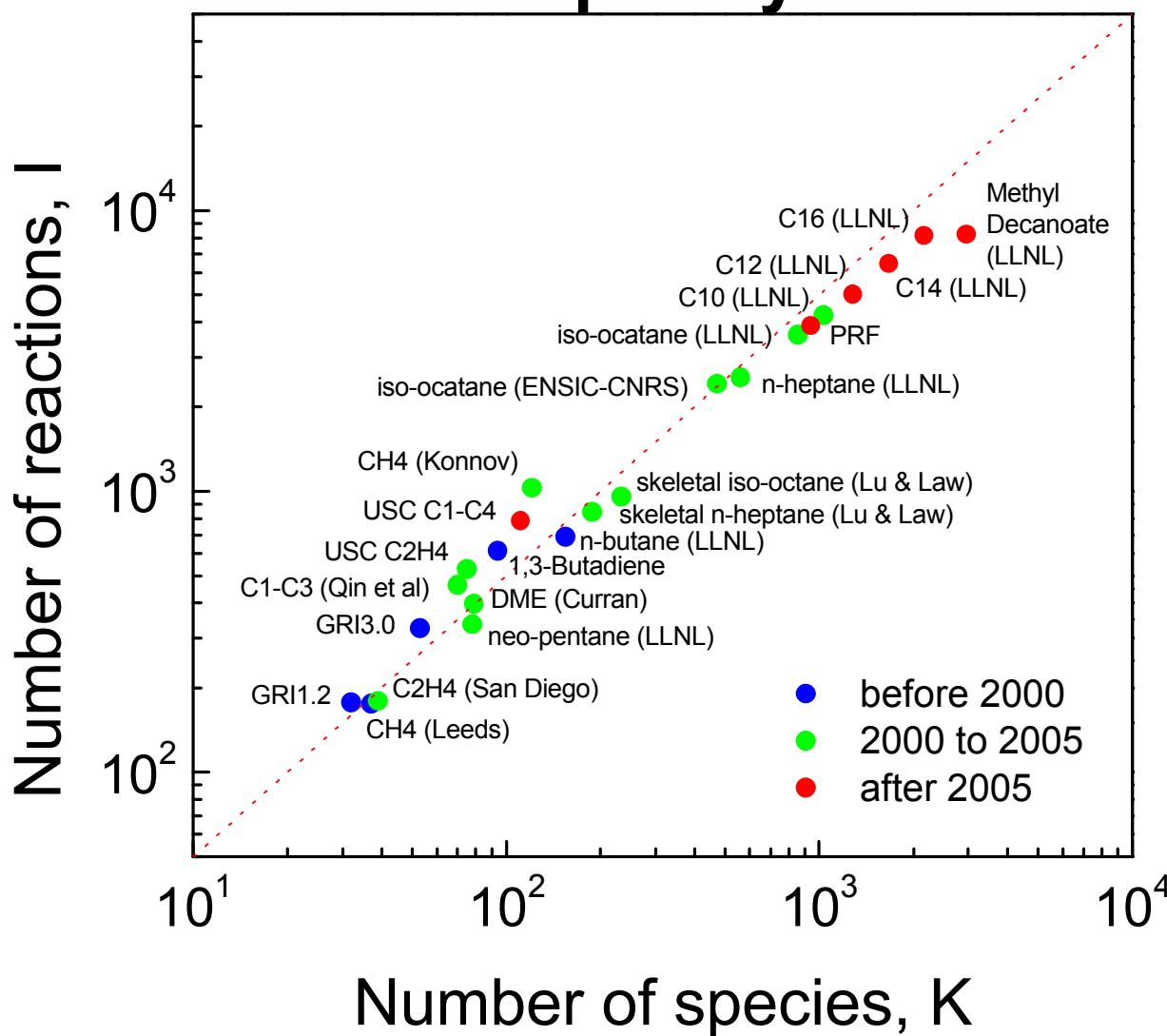
# Explicit vs Implicit Solvers for Large Mechanisms\*

- Cost of implicit solvers  $\sim O(K^3)$ 
  - Evaluation of analytic Jacobian,  $O(K)$
  - LU decomposition of Jacobian,  $O(K^3)$
- Cost of explicit solvers,  $O(K)$ 
  - Chemical rates, synchronization & misc.,  $O(K)$
  - Detailed diffusion,  $O(K^2)$ , or  $O(K^3)$ , eliminate cost with **diffusive species bundling** (Lu & Law 2007)
- Explicit solver is asymptotically optimal in efficiency for large mechanisms, provided stiffness can be removed



*Average CPU Time for 3-D DNS (S3D)  
with explicit Runge-Kutta solver*

# Chemical Complexity vs Scale





# Distribution of Cost is Changing

Task	$H_2/Air$	$C_2H_4/Air$
Derivatives	15.2%	8.3%
Diffusion <i>(Coefficients)</i>	31% (2.4%)	24.6% (5.5%)
Convection	21%	15.3%
Communication	4.3%	4.6%
Reaction Rates	15.5%	38.2%
I/O	-	-
Other	13%	9%



# 2008 S3D Developments

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- **Driven by quad-core upgrade at ORNL**
  - **Chemistry routines re-written to enable compiler vectorization (John Levesque, Nathan Wichmann, & Ramanan Sankaran)**
  - **Using Cray provided ACML library for evaluation of exponentials with SSE vectorization**
- **I/O Improvements**
  - **Cooperative IO**
  - **Optimized MPI-IO library (Wei-Keng Liao)**



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- **ADIOS Integration**
  - Cooperative effort with Scott Klasky
- **Offloading of chemistry evaluation to GPU**
  - Jeffrey Vetter, Jeremy Meredith, Kyle Spafford
  - Exploratory use of heterogeneous architectures
  - Double precision / single precision
- **Subversion repository**
  - <https://outrage.ca.sandia.gov/svn/s3d>
  - Ethylene test case will be checked in next week



# Rewrite of getrates() for C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

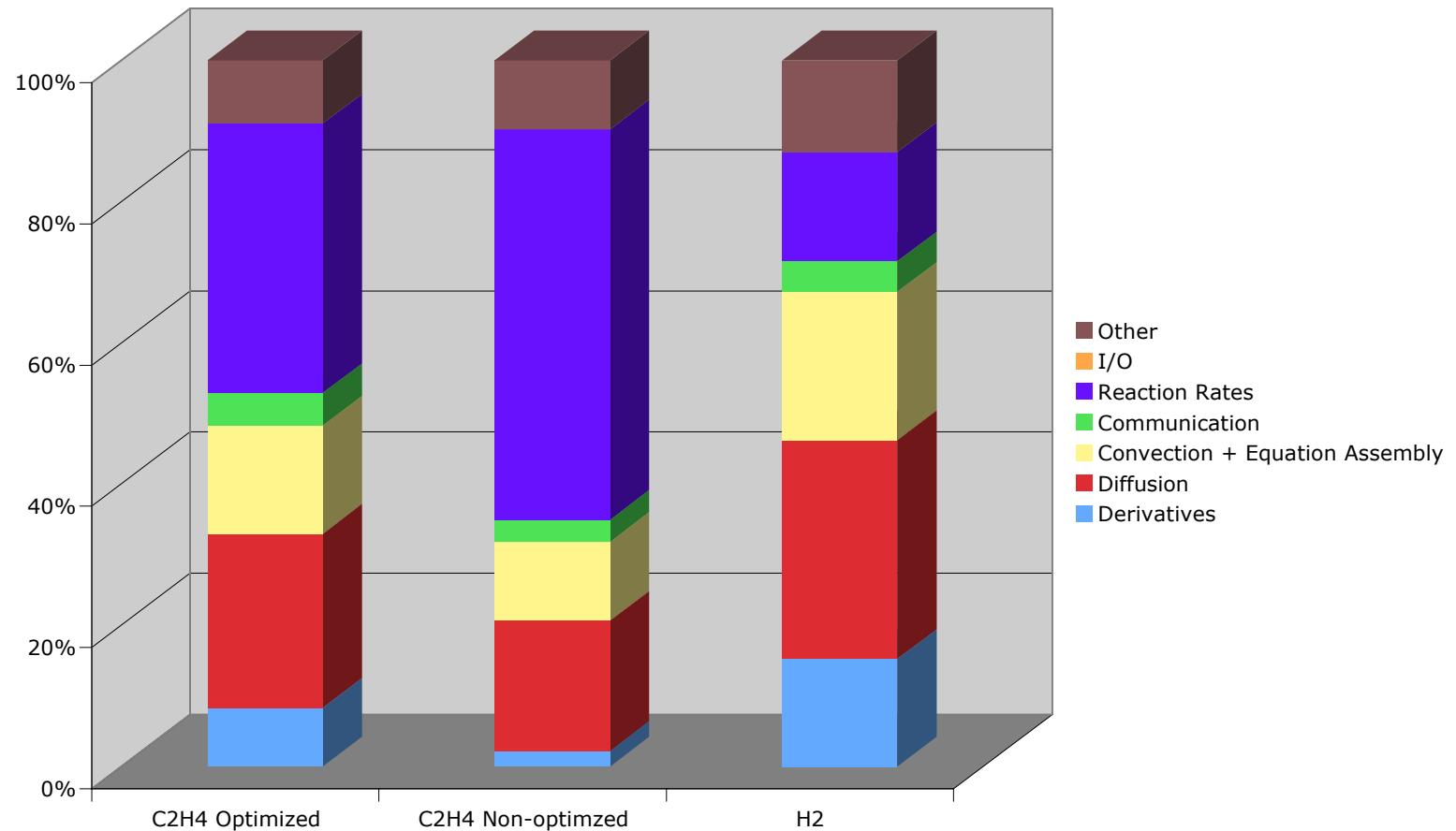
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- Rewrite to use f90 array syntax:
  - `getrates(T,P,Y(:,W))` -> `getrates(T(:, P(:), Y(:,:)),W(:))`
  - Compiler based SSE optimization
  - Cross platform benefit
  - Auto-generation utilities updated to output new syntax for skeletal mechanisms (e.g. H<sub>2</sub>/Air)
- Rewrite to use ACML exponential evaluation
  - `RF(:,i) = exp(RF(:,i))` -> `vrda_exp(s,RF(1,i),RF(1,i))`
  - Benefit to all platforms where ACML available
  - Cray provided ACML library available on XT4



# Distribution of Cost

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# Summary

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- **Weak scaling nature of S3D has allowed on-par increase in problem size with compute power**
- **To continue to fulfill S3D's critical role, density of point-wise compute burden will increase**
- **Chemistry routine is still low-risk target for optimization / offload to coprocessor**
- **We need guidance on restructuring the code for efficiency gains – asynchronous communication and deep memory hierarchies**
- **As memory requirement increases with transported species, restructure big arrays to maximize data reuse**



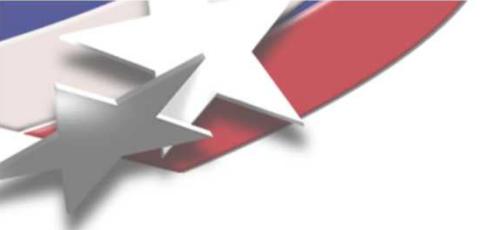


# Quad core performance

- Weak scaling test with C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> mechanism.
  - 30<sup>3</sup> grid points per MPI thread on XT4
  - 100 time steps
- 2.6 GHz dual-core Opteron and 2 Flops per cycle
- 2.1 GHz quad-core Opteron and 4 Flops per cycle

Fixed Problem Size	MPI Mode	Dual	Quad	Quad (Improved)
		µseconds per gridpoint per timestep	µseconds per gridpoint per timestep	µseconds per gridpoint per timestep
30x30x30	aprun -n 1 -N 1	150	154	123
60x30x30	aprun -n 2 -N 2	172	159	129
60x60x30	aprun -n 4 -N 4	-	186	156

On a per-core basis the quad-core is performing faster than the dual-core system



# Effect of vectorization

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<b>Times from quad-core</b>	<b>Before</b>	<b>After</b>
	seconds	
<b>Rates time</b>	277	228
<b>Total time</b>	415	367

<b>Counters from dual-core</b>	<b>Before</b>	<b>After</b>
	x10 <sup>9</sup> Operations	
<b>Add</b>	182	187
<b>Multiply</b>	204	210
<b>Add+Multiply</b>	386	397
<b>Load/Store</b>	179	202
<b>SSE</b>	91	212