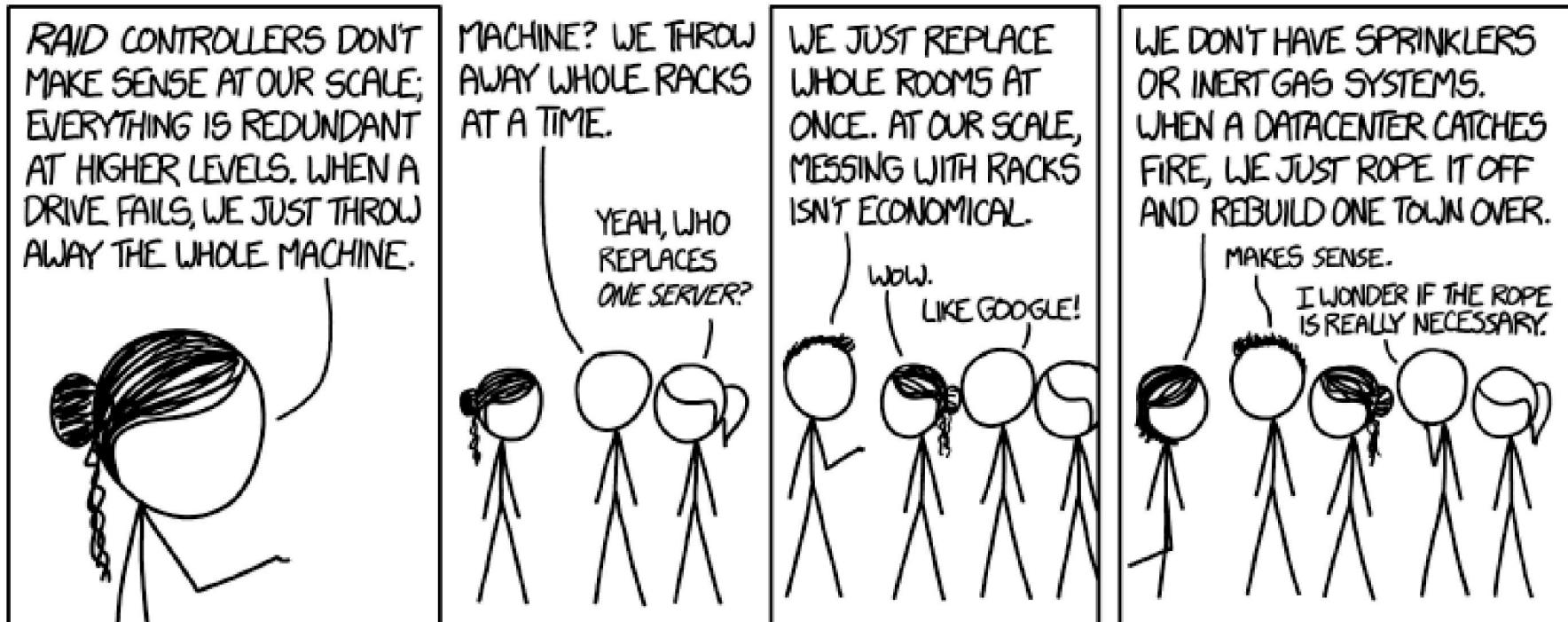


# Local Failure Local Recovery: Toward Scalable Resilient Parallel Programming Model

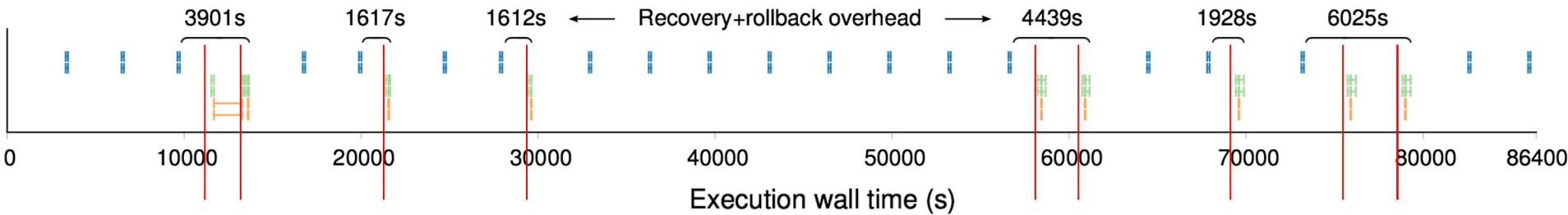
Keita Teranishi, Sandia National Laboratories, California, USA

# MOTIVATIONS AND BACKGROUND



Courtesy: <https://xkcd.com/1737>

# More frequent failures than advertised



- 24-hour tests using Titan (125k cores)
- Expected MTBF: 9-12 hours
- **9 process/node failures** over 24 hours
- Failures are promoted to **job failures**, causing all 125k processes to exit
- Checkpoint (5.2 MB/core) is done to the PFS
- Burst buffer provides more BW than the traditional file IO, but the major bottleneck is the connection to the burst buffer nodes.

	<i>Total cost</i>
Checkpoint (per timestep)	55 s

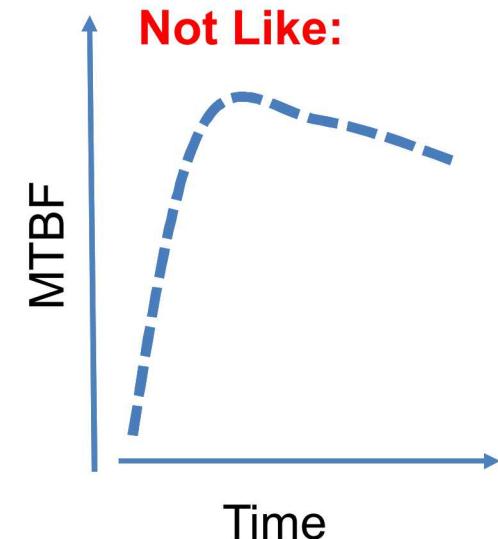
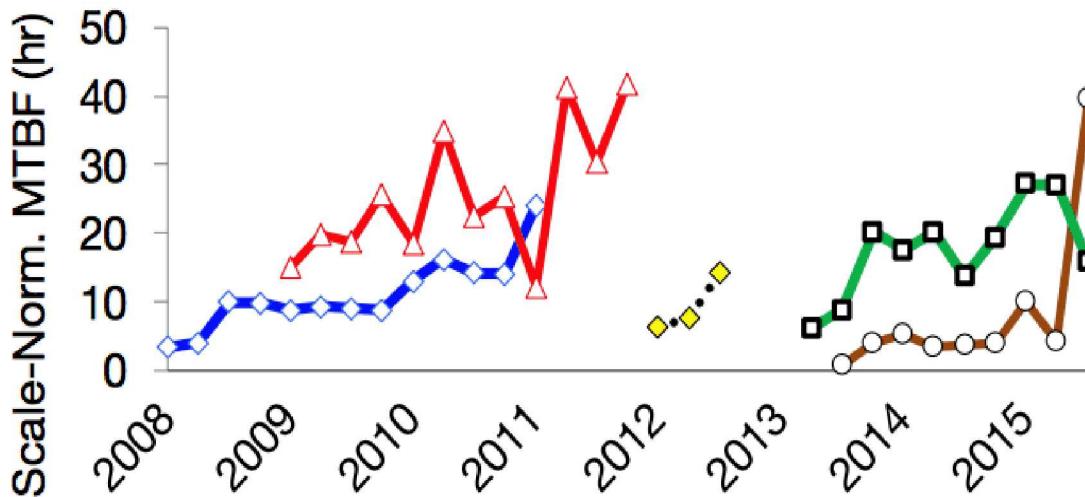
Restarting processes	470 s
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 *“Exploring Automatic, Online Failure Recovery for Scientific Applications at Extreme Scales”, SC14 Marc Gamell, Daniel S. Katz, Hemanth Kolla, Jacqueline Chen, Scott Klasky, Manish Parashar*

# System reliability is hard to predict

That means many failures could happen all of sudden.

— ▲ Jaguar XT4 — ▲ Jaguar XT5 — ▲ Jaguar XK6 — ○ Eos — □ Titan



Courtesy to Gupta et al, "Failures in large scale systems: long-term measurement, analysis, and implications," SC17

- Reliability of large scale HPC systems has been the major concern
  - Exascale Goal: 1 Week MTBF with C/R
- No clear reliability improvement (in scaled MTBF)
- No effective predictable model of reliability derived from observations (Gupta et al and Ferreira et al.)

# Resilience is essential for performance variability



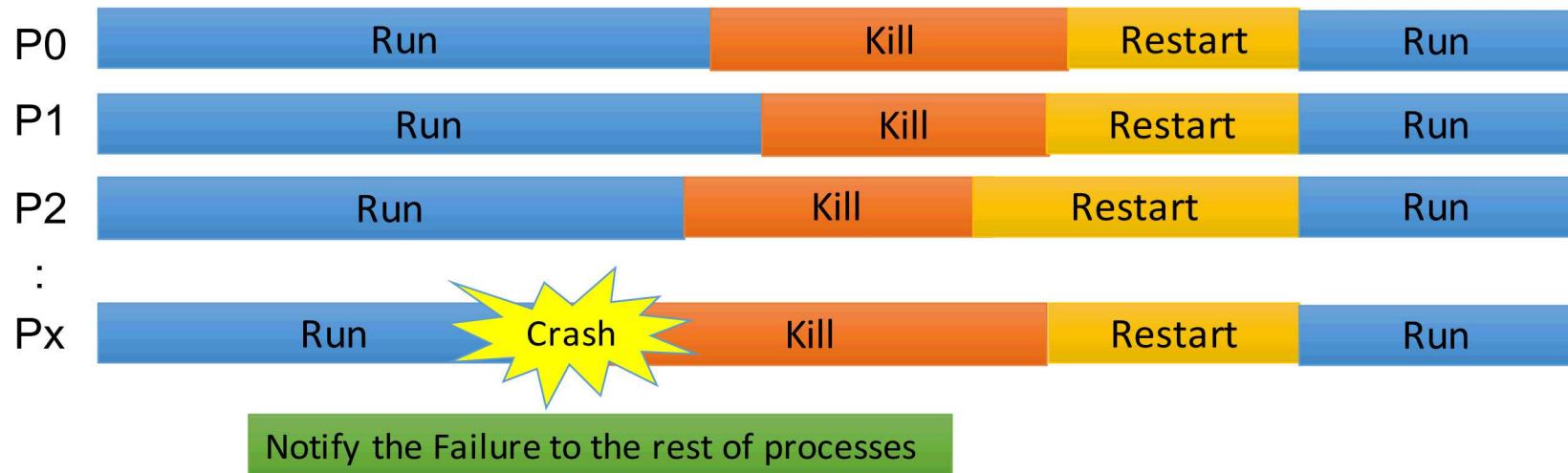
- **Performance variability** is a new type of system failure.
  - Trinity at LANL experienced a 25x slowdown of a single compute node
    - Static load balancing based on data size won't work
    - Errors in a single DRAM module
    - MPI did not report any errors
  - Resulted in 25x application delays

# Resilience is essential for System Co-Design



- **Programming model (APIs)** that embraces/controls failures and unconventional errors permits a greater flexibility in system co-design.
  - Probabilistic CMOS (PCMOS) for efficiency and low power
    - Palem at RICE U. (Performance and accuracy modeling)
    - Rinard at MIT (Programming language for unreliable computing, and ideas for fault oblivious computing)
  - Memory subsystems with selective reliability
    - HBM (high bandwidth, less reliable SEC-DED) and DDR (low bandwidth, reliable Chipkill)
      - Gupta, UCSD and AMD

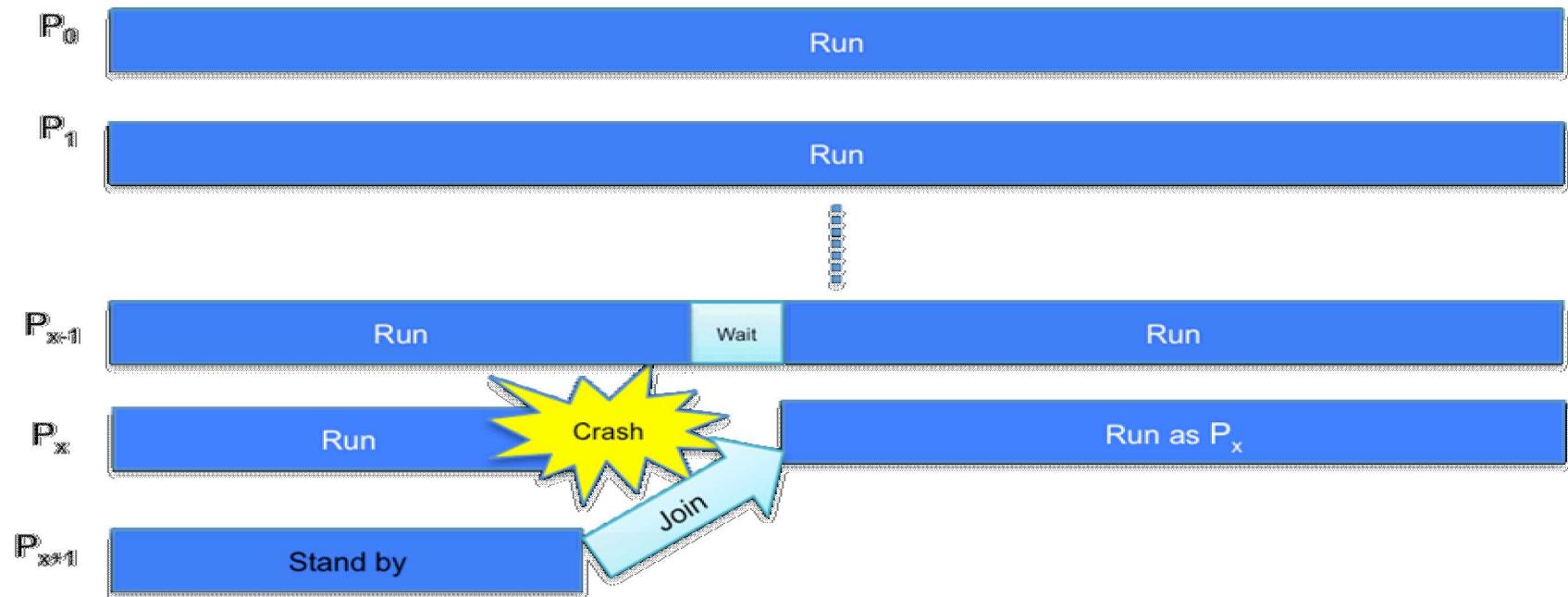
# Checkpoint/Restart evolves toward Exascale Computing, but....



- VeloC (ECP: <https://veloc.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>) accommodates efficient checkpointing/restart
  - Multi-level checkpointing
  - Leverage the latest I/O technology.
- Disproportionate use of computing resources is inevitable
  - Majority (50-85%) of failures happen at single node/process.
  - Cost of global tear-down and global restart (redo).
- Is it designed to handle soft-errors and online recovery?

# Local Failure and Local Recovery

## Enables Scalable Recovery



- Software framework to augment existing apps with resilience capability
  - The remaining processes stay alive with **isolated** process/node failure
  - Multiple implementation options for recovery
    - Roll-back, roll-forward, asynchronous, algorithm specific, etc.
  - **Hot Spare Process for recovery**

# RESILIENT PROGRAMMING MODEL FOR MPI PROGRAMMING

# MPI-ULFM (User Level Fault Mitigation)



- Proposed for future MPI standard
- MPI calls (recv, irecv, wait, collectives) notify errors when the peer process(es) dies
- Survived processes continue to run
- New MPI functions for fixing MPI communicator
  - MPI\_Comm\_agree --- Sanity check (resilient collective)
  - MPI\_Comm\_revocate --- Invalidate MPI Communicator
  - MPI\_Comm\_shrink --- Fix MPI Communicator removing dead process
- User is responsible for the recovery after MPI\_Comm\_shrink  
Prototype code is available at <http://fault-tolerance.org>
  - Developed by U of Tennessee

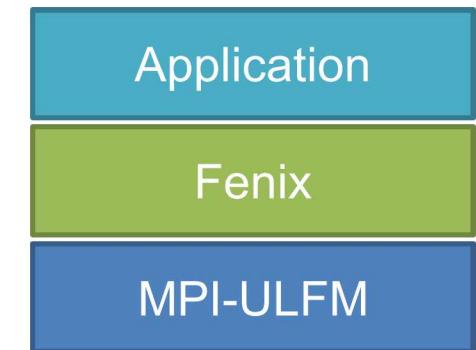
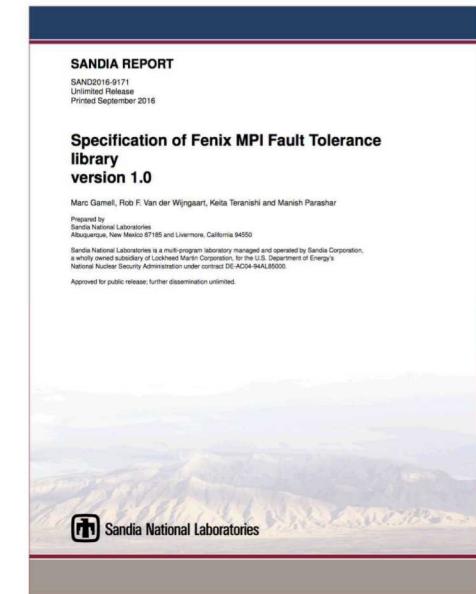
# MPI-ULFM does not prescribe how to recovery

- MPI-ULFM only provides “minimum” set of low-level APIs for application recovery
  - **Users are responsible for fixing MPI communicator**
    - Shrunk Communicator is no longer the same as the original MPI Communicator
    - Rank-Process mapping changes after `comm_shrink`
    - Typical MPI applications are not designed for the shrinking recovery
  - **Users are responsible for recovering the application state**
    - Writing an error handler is cumbersome
    - No data recovery
    - No rollback
- **Our Solution: Fenix**

# Fenix 1.0 Specification (SAND2016-9171)



- Fault Tolerant Programming Framework for MPI Applications
  - Separation between process and data recovery
    - Allows third party software for data recovery
    - Multiple Execution Models
  - Process recovery
    - Extend **MPI-ULFM**
    - Process recovery through **hot spare process pool**
    - Process failure is checked at **PMPI layer** and recovery happens automatically under the cover
  - Data recovery
    - In-memory data redundancy
    - Multi-versioning (similar to GVR by U Chicago & ANL)



Original

```

REAL :: stime
REAL, ALLOCATABLE, DIMENSION(:,:,:, :) :: yspc
! Other initializations
! Setup MPI, Cartesian MPI grid, etc.
call initialize_topology(6, nx, ny, nz, &
    npx, npy, npz, &
    iorder, iforder )
! Setup grid - scale arrays for stretched grid
! used in derivatives, coordinates useful for
! generating test data
call initialize_grid(6)
! Allocate derivative arrays
call initialize_derivative(6)
allocate(T(nx,ny,nz))
allocate(P(nx,ny,nz))
allocate(deriv_result(nx,ny,nz,nslvs,3))
allocate(deriv_sum(nx,ny,nz,nslvs))
allocate(yspc(nx,ny,nz, nslvs))
allocate(wdot(nx,ny,nz, nslvs) )
allocate(rho(nx,ny,nz)) !HK
! Setup test data
xshift = (xmax - xmin)*0.1
yshift = (ymax - ymin)*0.1
zshift = (zmax - zmin)*0.1
do k = 1, nz
  do j = 1, ny
    do i = 1, nx
      !HK in Kelvin
      T(i,j,k) = 1000.0*(sin(x(i))-xshift)*sin(y(j)-yshift)*sin(z(k)-zshift) + 1500.0
      yspc(i,j,k,:) = 0.01
      yspc(i,j,k, 1) = 0.1
      yspc(i,j,k, 2) = 0.7
      yspc(i,j,k,3) = 0.05
      yspc(i,j,k,4) = 0.05
      yspc(i,j,k,nslvs) = 1.0 - sum( yspc( i,j,k, 1:nslvs-1 ) )
      P(i,j,k) = 12.0*pres_atm !HK. 12 atm expressed in SI units
    enddo
  enddo
enddo
!TIMESTEP: do itime = 1, ntsteps
  ! ITERATE AND UPDATE YSPC
enddo !TIMESTEP

```

vs

Fenix-enabled

```

#include "fenix_f.h"
REAL, TARGET :: stime
REAL, ALLOCATABLE, DIMENSION(:,:,:, :) :: yspc
INTEGER ckpt itime, ckpt_yspc;
INTEGER, TARGET :: world;
itime = 1
! Other initializations
allocate(T(nx,ny,nz))
allocate(P(nx,ny,nz))
allocate(deriv_result(nx,ny,nz,nslvs,3))
allocate(deriv_sum(nx,ny,nz,nslvs))
allocate(yspc(nx,ny,nz, nslvs))
allocate(wdot(nx,ny,nz, nslvs) )
allocate(rho(nx,ny,nz)) !HK
call MDT_Init(ierr)
if(process_status.eq.FENIX_PROC_NEW) then
  yspc(i,j,k,:) = 0.01
  yspc(i,j,k, 1) = 0.1
  yspc(i,j,k, 2) = 0.7
  yspc(i,j,k,3) = 0.05
  yspc(i,j,k,4) = 0.05
  yspc(i,j,k,nslvs) = 1.0 - sum( yspc( i,j,k, 1:nslvs-1 ) )
endif
P(i,j,k) = 12.0*pres_atm !HK. 12 atm expressed in SI units
do
  if(mod(itime-1,CHECKPOINT_PERIOD).eq.0) then
    call FT_Checkpoint(ckpt_yspc);
    call FT_Checkpoint(ckpt_itime);
  endif
  ! ITERATE AND UPDATE YSPC
  itime = itime + 1
  if( itime .gt. ntsteps ) exit
enddo

```

# S3D Modifications

- Only 35 new, changed, or rearranged lines in S3D

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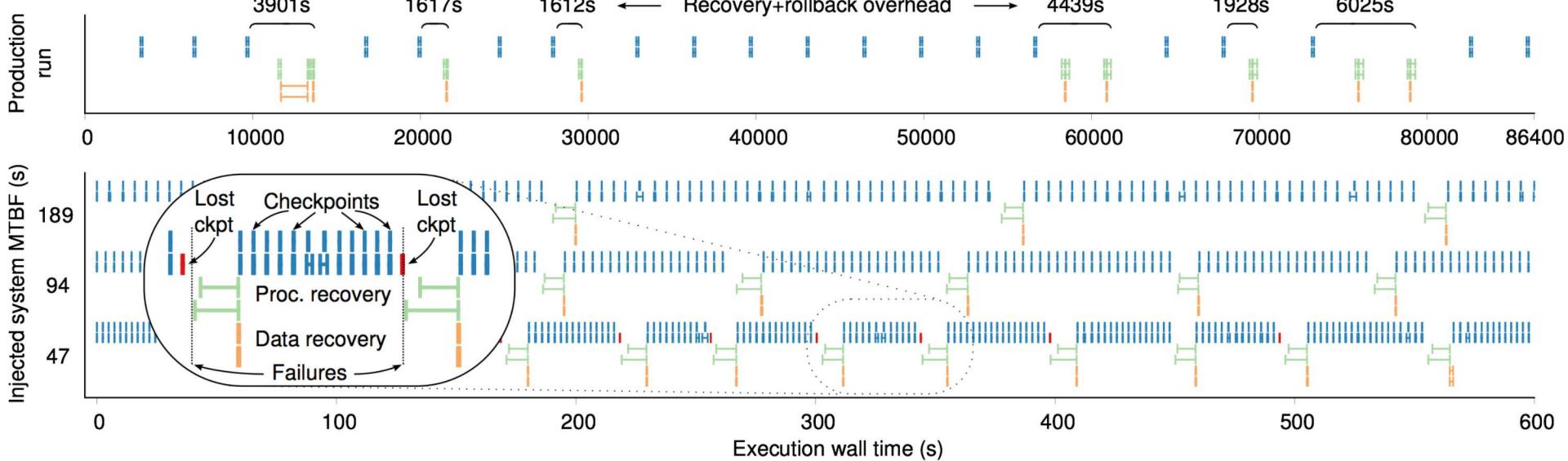
vs Fenix-enabled

```

call MPI_Comm_size(MPI_COMM_WORLD, npes, ierr)
! Create communicator duplicate for global calls
call MPI_Comm_dup(MPI_COMM_WORLD, gcomm, ierr)
! Create communicators for the x, y, and z directions
call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, mypx+1000*mypz, myid, xcomm,ierr)
call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, mypx+1000*mypz, myid, ycomm,ierr)
call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, mypx+1000*mypz, myid, zcomm,ierr)
! Create MPI Communicators for boundary planes. This is
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call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, zid, myid, xy_comm, ierr)
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call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, yid, myid, xz_comm, ierr)
call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, zid, myid, xy_comm, ierr)
call FT_Comm_add(xcomm);
call FT_Comm_add(ycomm);
call FT_Comm_add(zcomm);
! Create MPI Communicators for boundary planes. This is
used in the Boundary conditions
call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, xid, myid, yz_comm, ierr)
call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, yid, myid, xz_comm, ierr)
call MPI_Comm_split(gcomm, zid, myid, xy_comm, ierr)
call FT_Comm_add(yz_comm);
call FT_Comm_add(xz_comm);
call FT_Comm_add(xy_comm);

```

# Global Online Recovery – Results



	<i>MTBF</i>	<i>Total overhead</i>
Production	<b>2.6 h</b>	<b>31 %</b>
Global recovery	<b>189 s</b>	<b>10 %</b>
Global recovery	<b>94 s</b>	<b>15 %</b>
Global recovery	<b>47 s</b>	<b>31 %</b>

- Uses S3D (scientific application)
- Titan Cray XK7 (#3 on top500.org)
- Injecting node failures (16-core failures)

# Asynchronous Localized Online Recovery



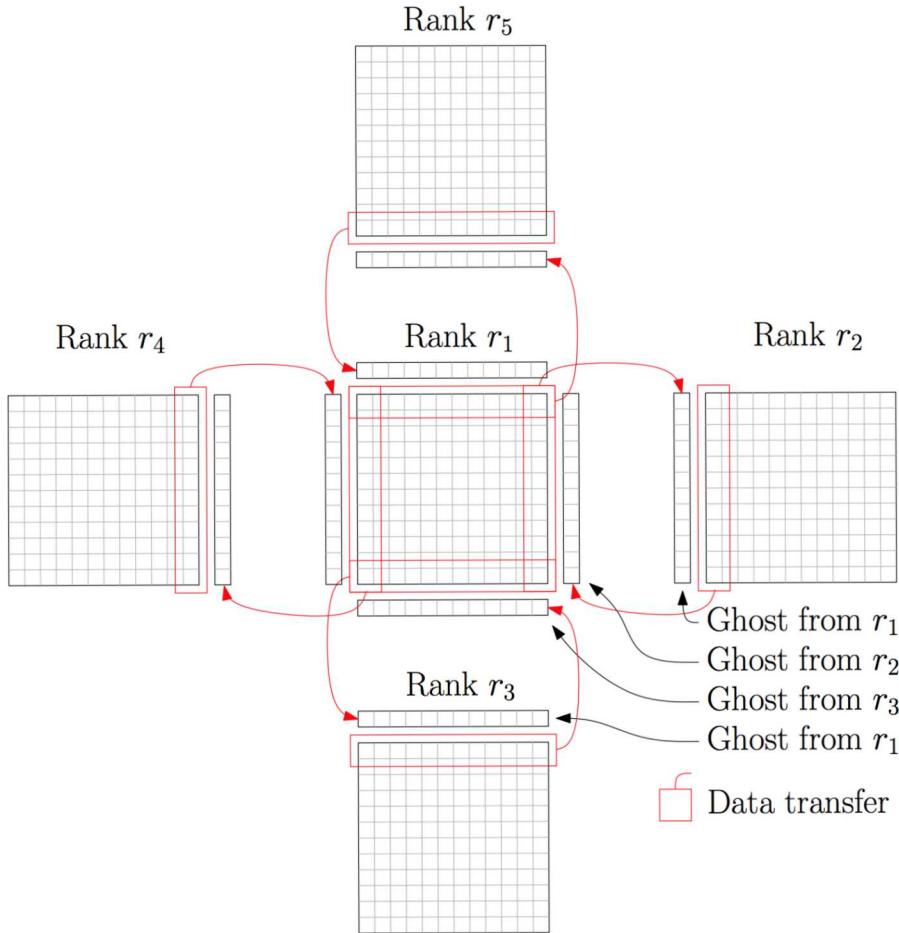
- Fenix-1.0 is the first step toward local recovery
  - Avoid global termination and restart
  - All processes rollback to the Fenix\_Init() call
  - Natural for algorithms and applications that makes collective calls frequently
- Some applications fit more scalable recovery model
  - Stencil Computation
  - Master-Worker execution model
- Solution: Local Online Recovery

# Local Recovery Methodology

1. Replace failed processes
2. **Rollback to the last checkpoint (only replaced processes)**
3. **Other processes continue with the simulation**

- How do we guarantee consistency?
  - Implicitly coordinated checkpoint
  - **Log messages since last checkpoint in local sender memory**
  - Message logging has been studied in MPI fault tolerance and Actor Execution Model (Charm++)
    - Performance may not be optimal for many parallel applications
    - **Stencil computation provides built-in message logging == Ghost Points**
- Implemented in new framework: **FenixLR**

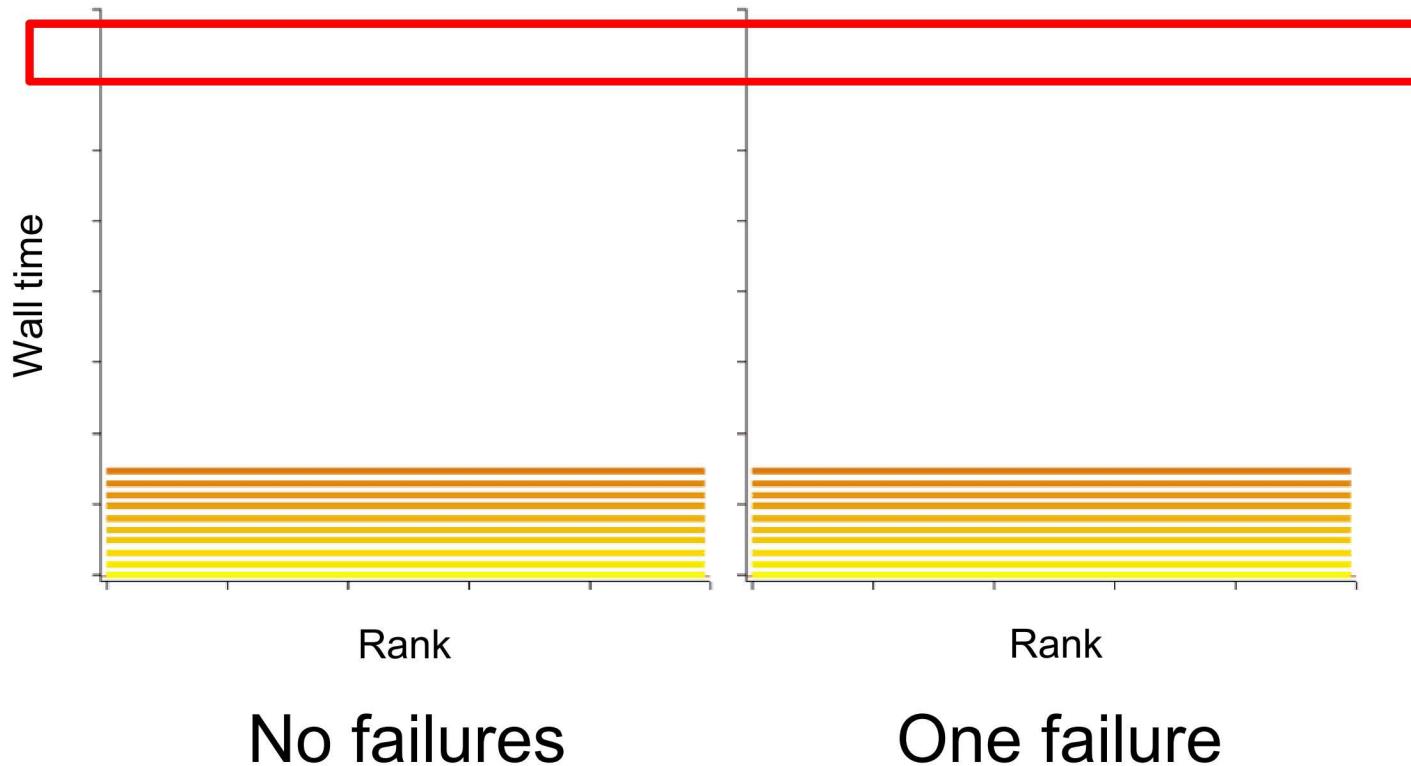
# Target: Stencil-based Scientific Applications



- Application domain is partitioned using a block decomposition across processes
- Typically, divided into iterations (*timesteps*), which include:
  - Computation to advance the local simulated data
  - Communication with immediate neighbors
- Example: PDEs using finite-difference methods, S3D

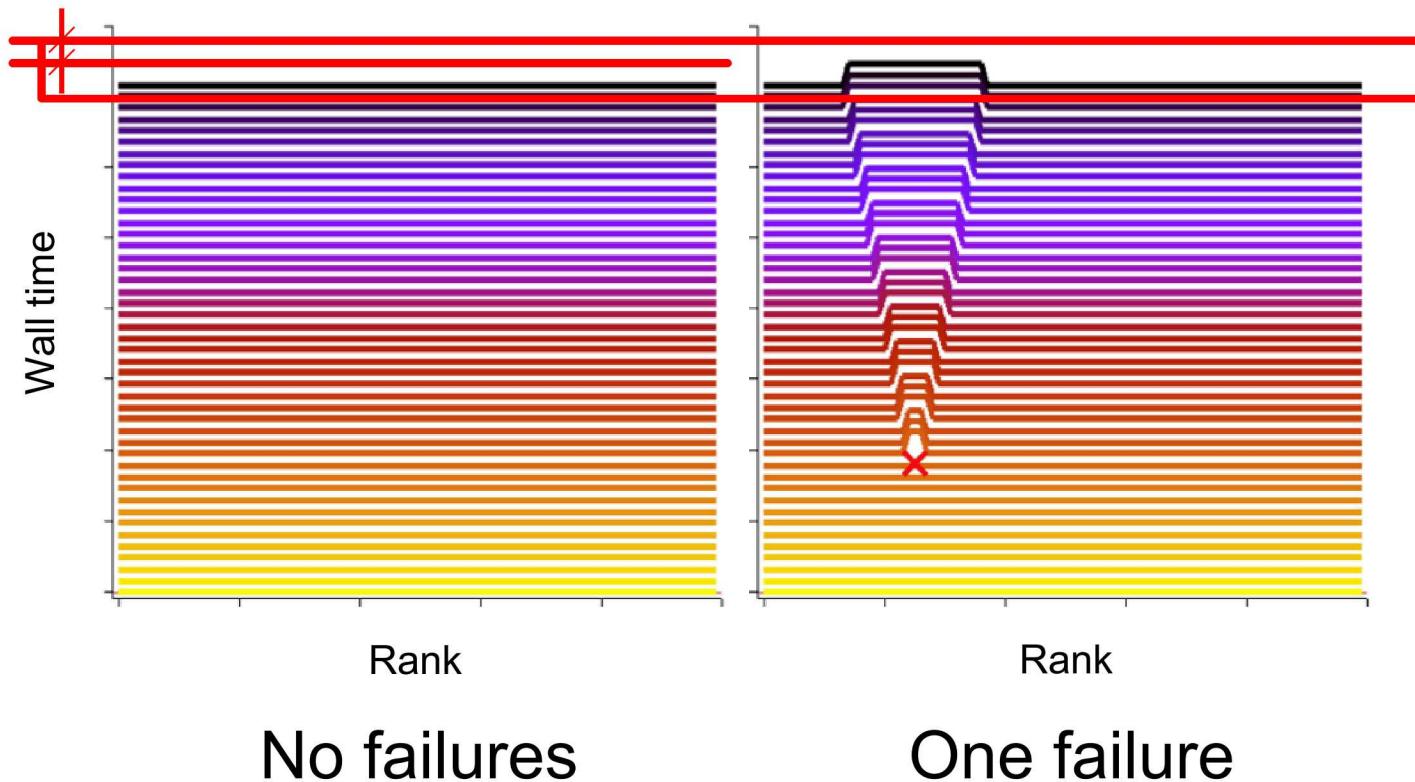
# Performance Model of Local Recovery

Simulated execution of a 1D PDE



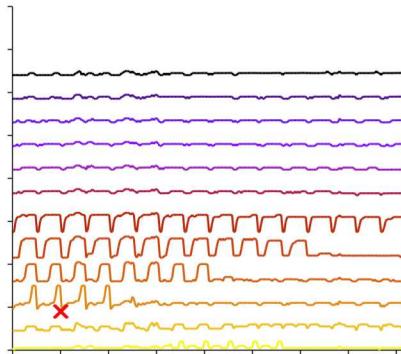
# Effect of Multiple Failures with Local Recovery

Simulated execution of a 1D PDE

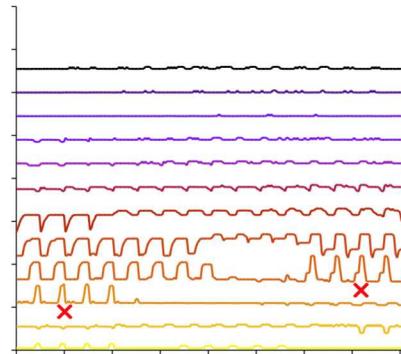


# Experimental Evaluation with S3D

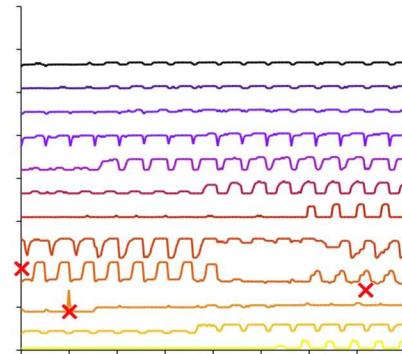
- Same experiment executed injecting different number of failures
- X axis is rank number, but more complex to see than 1D, because 3D domain is mapped to core ranking in a linear fashion
- Note that total overhead is as if only one failure occurred (except in 4224c 8f)



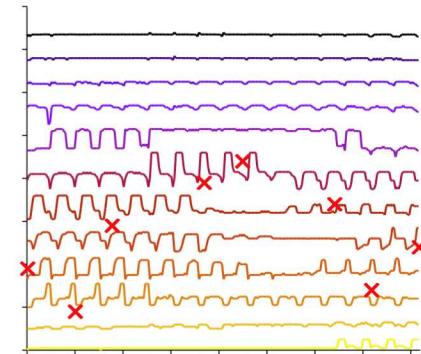
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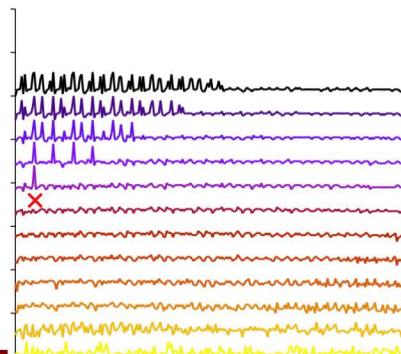
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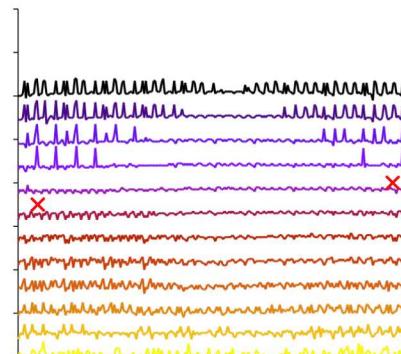
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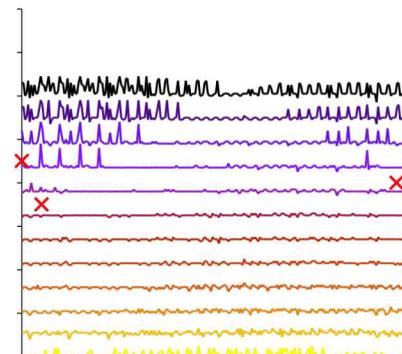
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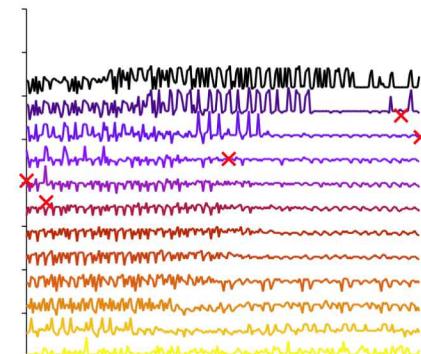
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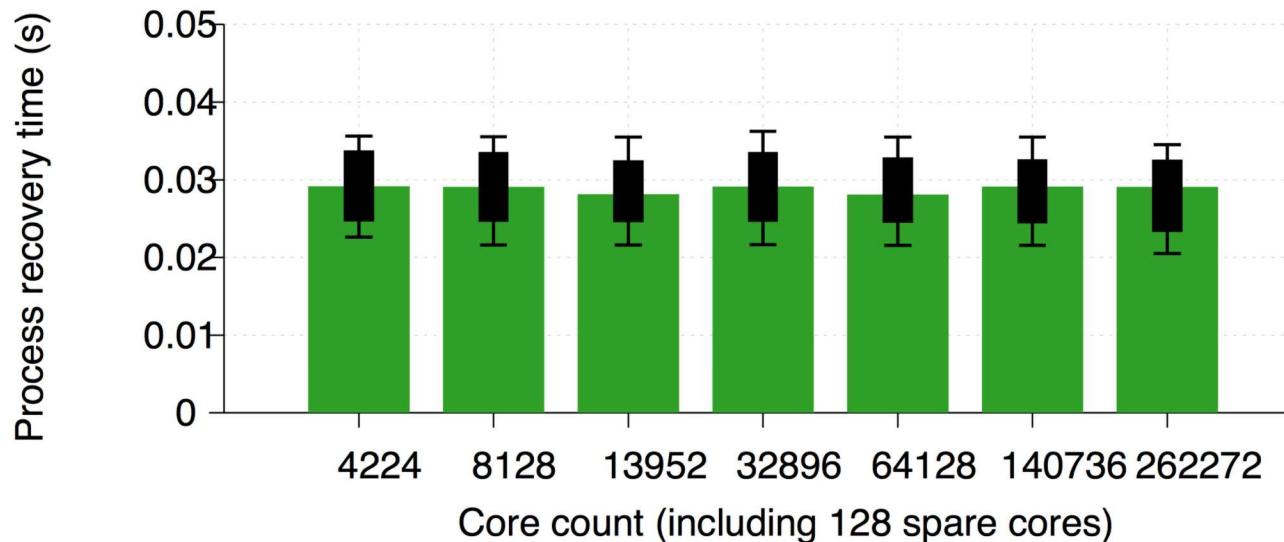
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# Performance of Fenix-LR

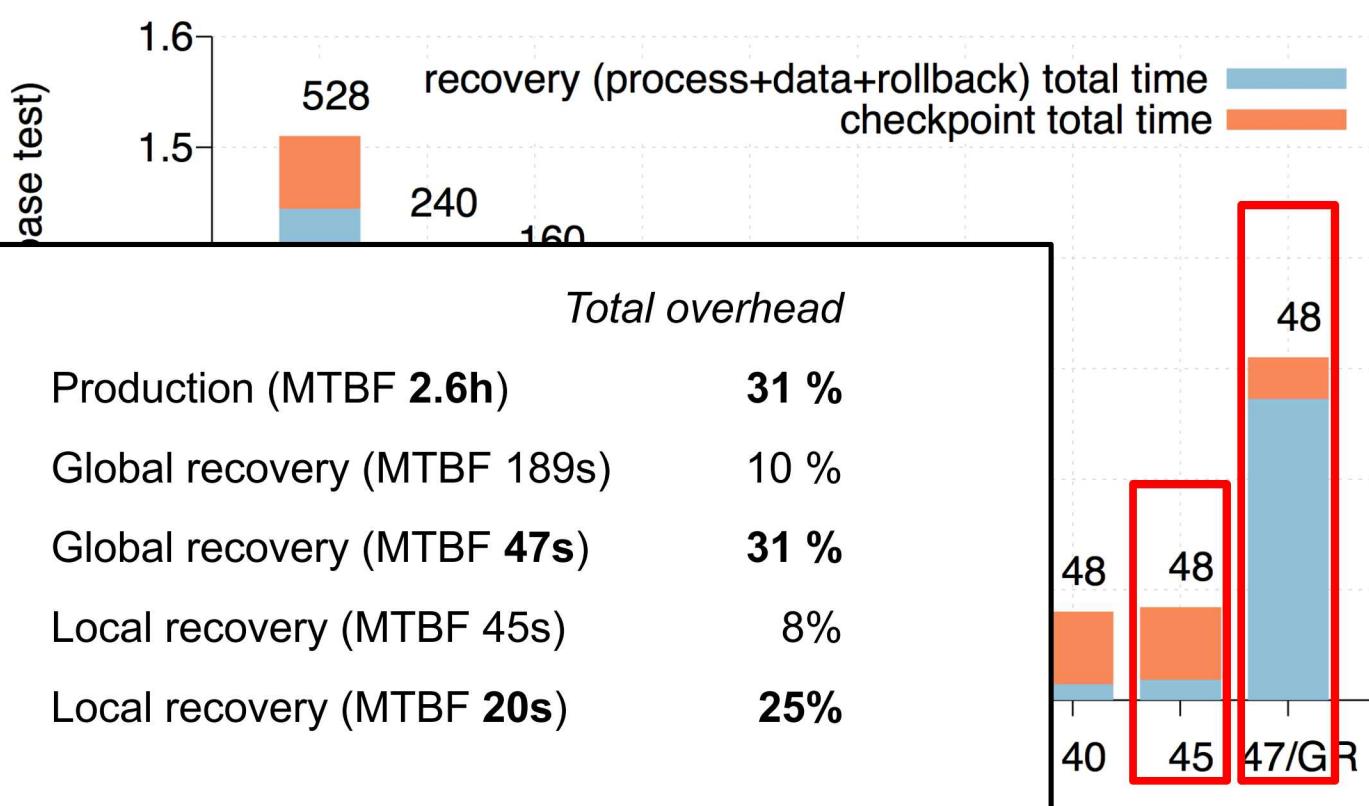
- Using MTBF of 10s
- Core count from 4224 to 262272 (including 128 spare cores)
- Result shows the average recovery time for all failures injected.



- Conclusion:
  - Process recovery time is independent of system size
  - Good scalability

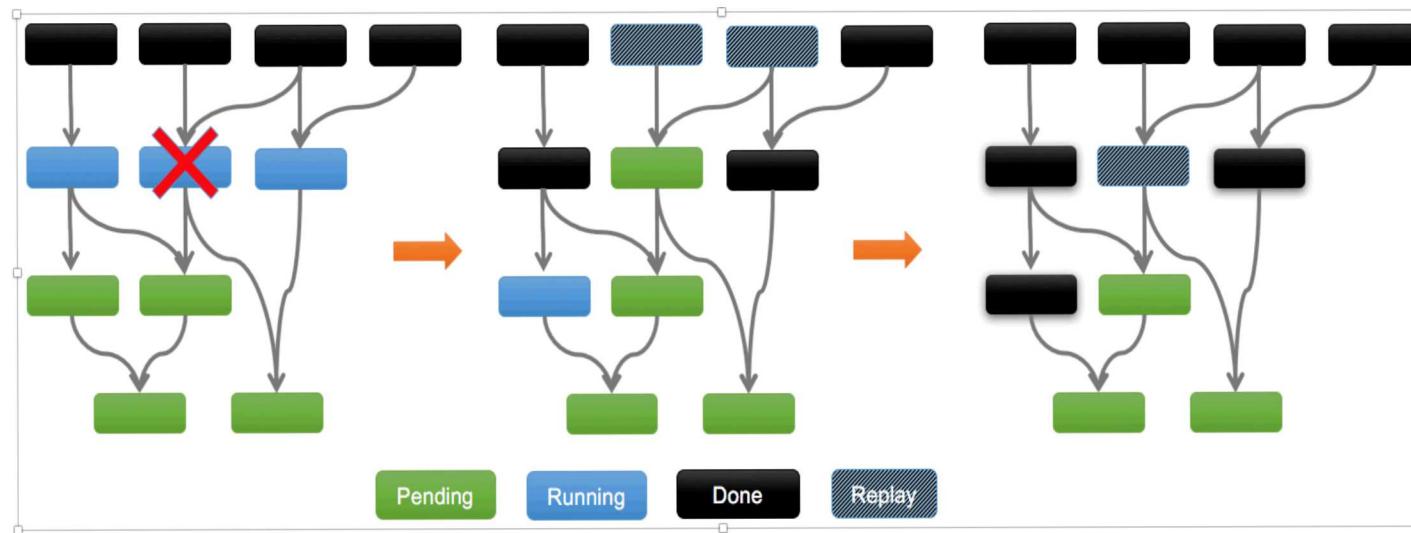
# Total Overhead of Fault Tolerance

- End-to-end time vs failure-free, checkpoint-free time
- Overall overhead:
  - Checkpoint
  - Process/data recovery
  - Rollback
- 4096 cores + spare cores
- Right-most bar global recovery with MTBF of 4
- Local recovery has scalability advantages over global recovery



- Local recovery is superior to global recovery in this scenario:
  - compare MTBF 45s (8%)
  - with MTBF 47/GR (31%)

# Resilient Asynchronous Many Task (AMT) Parallel Execution Model



- AMT allows
  - Concurrent task execution
  - Overlap of communication and computation
  - Over-decomposition of Data
  - Abstraction of data objects and tasks allows failure containment and transparent application recovery with ease.
- Node/Process Failure is manifested as loss of task and data
  - Generic model for online local recovery
  - Recovery is done through task replay, replication and ABFT task (special task for recovery)

# Resilient AMT Prototype



- Resilience Extension of Habanero C++
  - AMT programming Interface by Vivek Sarkar
- Simple extension allows the user to introduce 3 major resilient program execution patterns
  - Task Replication Interface
  - Task Replay Interface
  - ABFT Interface

## Original Task Launch

```
hclib::async_await ( lambda,  
hclib_future_t *f1, ...  
hclib_future_t *f4);
```

## Task Launch with Replication

```
diamond::async_await_check<N> (  
lambda, hclib::promise<int> out,  
hclib_future_t *f1, ...  
hclib_future_t *f4);
```

## Task Launch with Replay

```
replay::async_await_check<N> (  
lambda, hclib::promise<int> out,  
std::function<int(void*)>  
error_check_fn, void * params,  
hclib_future_t *f1, ...  
hclib_future_t *f4);
```

# Habanero-C++ Library (HClib)

- Project led by Vivek Sarkar (GaTech/Rice U)
- Library-based tasking runtime and API
  - Semantically derived from X10
- Focused on: lightweight, minimal overheads; flexible synchronization; locality control; composability with other libraries;
- Simplified deployment: no custom compiler, entirely library-based, only requires C++11 compliant compiler
- Uses runtime-managed call stacks to avoid blocking
- <https://github.com/habanero-rice/hclib>

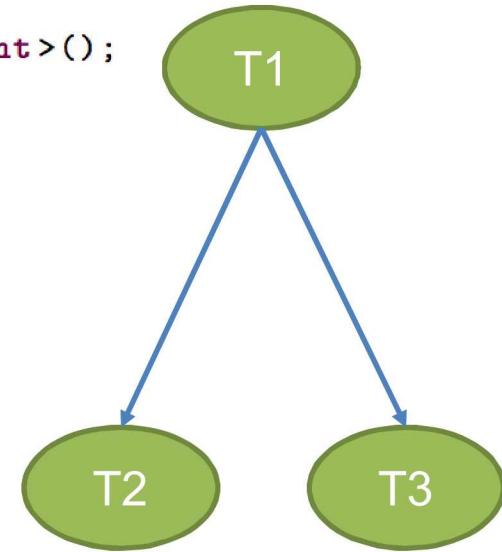
# Three major constructs for AMT programming with HClib

- Use Lambda to describe **tasks**. (**async** and **async\_await**)
- Express data dependencies using **promises** and **futures**.
  - `hclib::promise`
    - Store a value using single assignment semantics : `promise.put(value)`
  - `hclib::future`
    - Retrieve the value stored in a promise : `value = future.get()`
    - Can be used as dependency for tasks
- Relation between **promise** and **future**
  - `future = promise.get_future()`
  - If accessed from different threads `put()` and `get()` are synchronized thus enabling a way for synchronization.

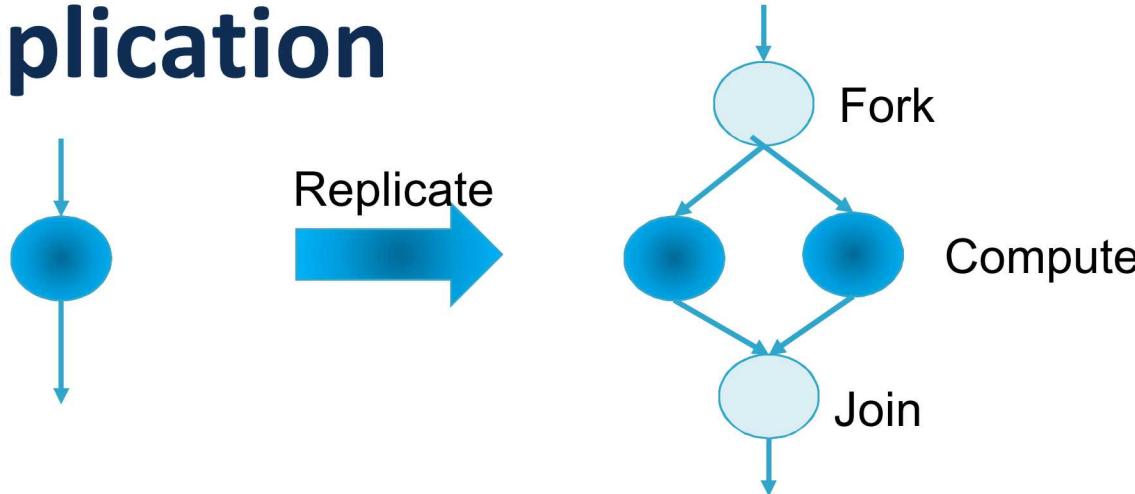
# HClib Code Example

```

int main (int argc, char ** argv) {
    hclib::launch([]() {
        hclib::promise_t<int> *prom = new hclib::promise_t<int>();
        // T1: Producer Task
        hclib::async([=]() { prom->put(42); });
        // T2: Consumer Task (async + explicit wait)
        hclib::async([=]() {
            // explicity waiting on prom->put(42);
            int value = prom->get_future()->wait();
            assert(value == 42);
        });
        // T3: Consumer Task (async + implicit wait)
        hclib::async_await([=]() {
            // implicitly waiting on prom->put(42);
            assert(value == 42);
            , prom->get_future());
        });
    });
}
  
```



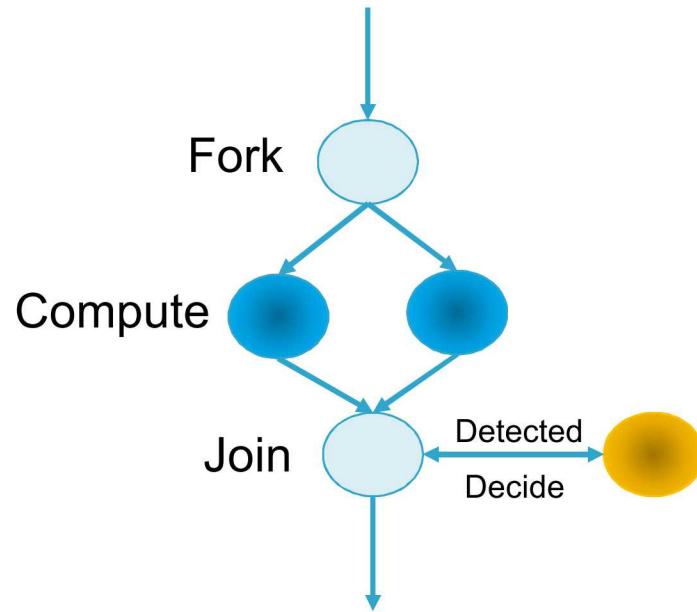
# Task Replication



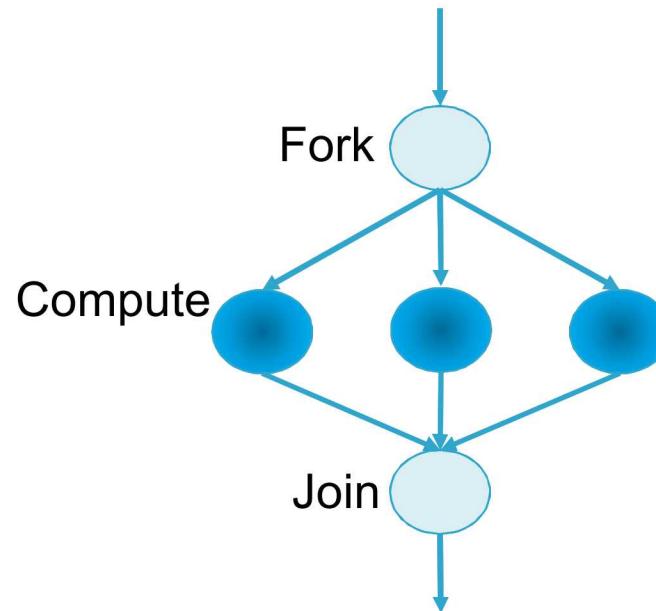
- `diamond::async_await_check<N> ( lambda,  
hclib::promise<int> out, hclib_future_t *f1,  
..., hclib_future_t *f4);`
  - Preventive failure mitigation
  - N-plicates the task and checks for equality of put operations at the end of the task
  - If error checking succeeds, actual puts are done
  - If error checking fails, puts are ignored and the error is reported using an output promise

# Replication (Continued)

diamond::async\_await\_check<2> ( ...

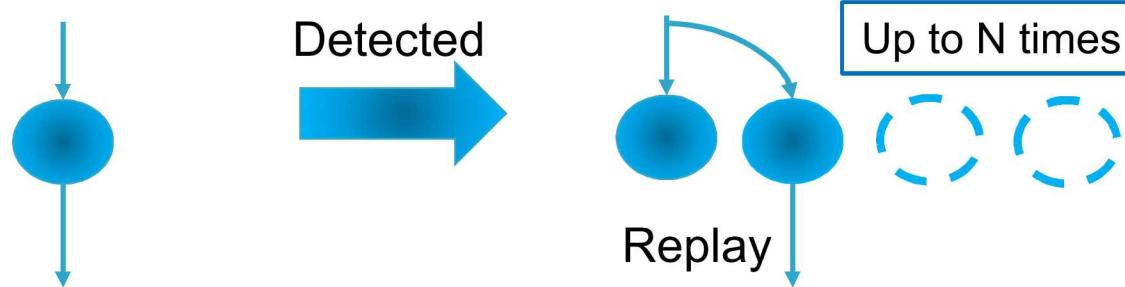


diamond::async\_await\_check<3> ( ...



- Duplicate ( $N=2$ ) – Create two tasks and check for error in puts
  - If error checking fails, a third task is created
- Triplicate and more ( $N=3$  or more) – Create three tasks and check for error in puts
  - Two out of three outputs should match for success

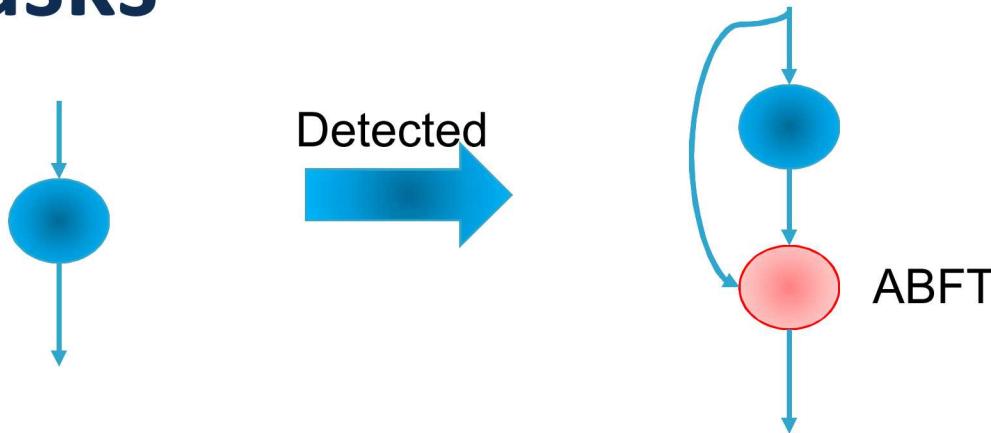
# Task Replay



```
replay::async_await_check<N>( lambda,
hclib::promise<int> out, std::function<int(void*)>
error_check_fn, void * params, hclib_future_t *f1,
.., hclib_future_t *f4);
```

- Dynamic response to failure
- Executes the task and checks for error using the error checking function
- `error_check_fn(params)` returns true if there is no error
- The task is executed  $N$  times at most if there is any error
  - If error checking fails, puts are ignored and the error is reported using an output promise

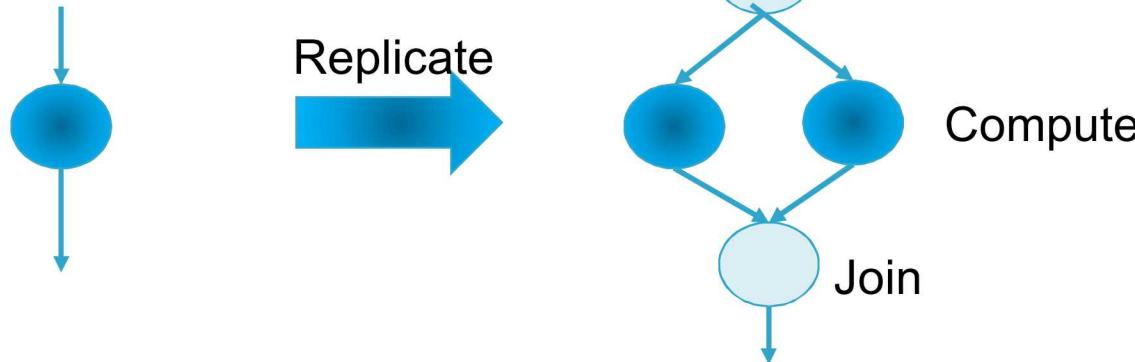
# ABFT Tasks



```
abft::async_await_check ( lambda, hclib::promise<int>
out, std::function<int(void*)> error_check_fn, void *
params, hclib_future_t *f1, .. , hclib_future_t *f4,
ABFT_lambda );
```

- Executes the task and checks for error using the error checking function
- `error_check_fn(params)` returns true if there is no error
- If there is error then **ABFT\_lambda** is executed and checked for error again at its end
  - If error checking fails, puts are ignored and the error is reported using an output promise

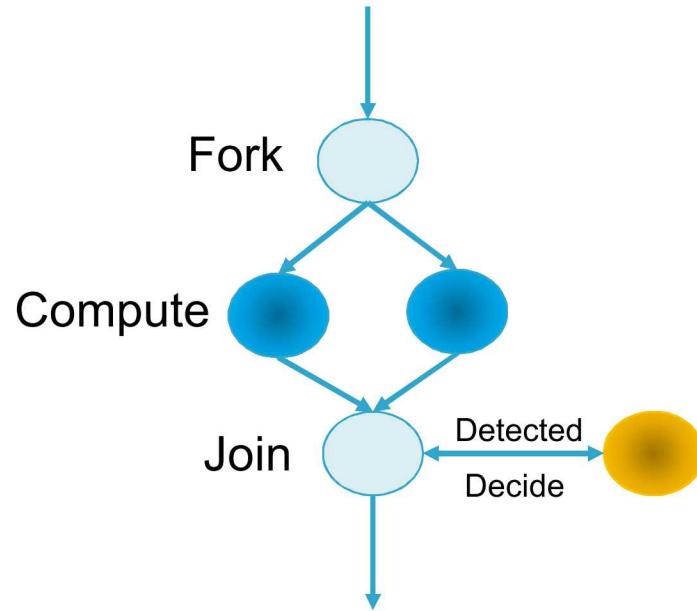
# Task Replication



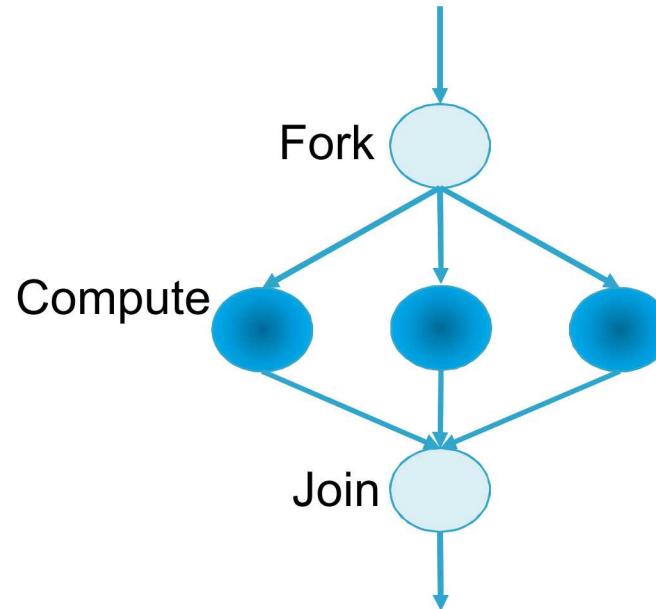
- `diamond::async_await_check<N> ( lambda,  
hclib::promise<int> out, hclib_future_t *f1,  
..., hclib_future_t *f4);`
  - Preventive failure mitigation
  - N-plicates the task and checks for equality of put operations at the end of the task
  - If error checking succeeds, actual puts are done
  - If error checking fails, puts are ignored and the error is reported using an output promise

# Replication (Continued)

diamond::async\_await\_check<2> ( ...

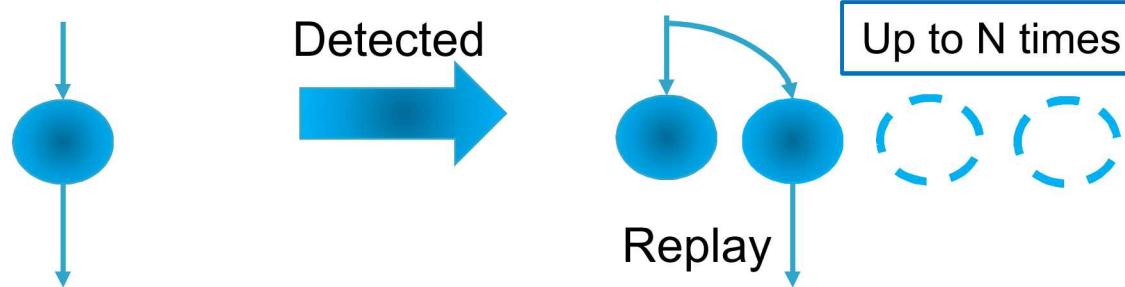


diamond::async\_await\_check<3> ( ...



- Duplicate (N=2) – Create two tasks and check for error in puts
  - If error checking fails, a third task is created
- Triplicate and more (N=3 or more) – Create three tasks and check for error in puts
  - Two out of three outputs should match for success

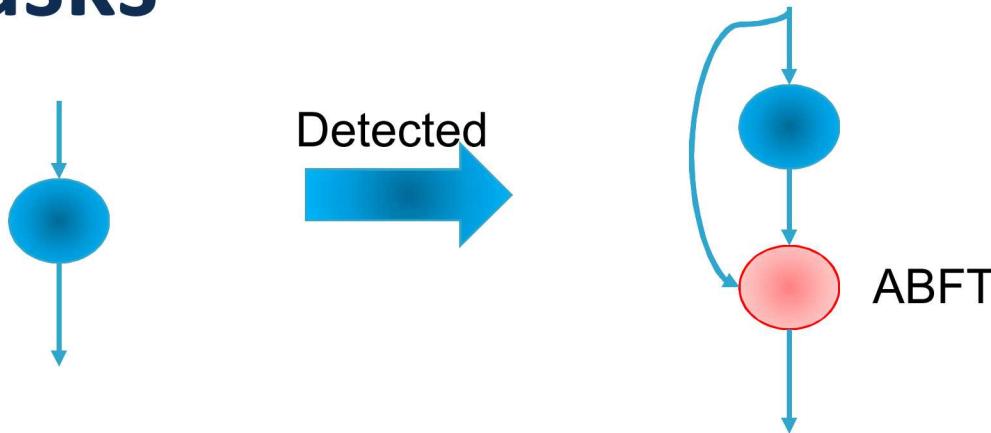
# Task Replay



```
replay::async_await_check<N>( lambda,
hclib::promise<int> out, std::function<int(void*)>
error_check_fn, void * params, hclib_future_t *f1,
.., hclib_future_t *f4);
```

- Dynamic response to failure
- Executes the task and checks for error using the error checking function
- `error_check_fn(params)` returns true if there is no error
- The task is executed **N** times at most if there is any error
  - If error checking fails, puts are ignored and the error is reported using an output promise

# ABFT Tasks

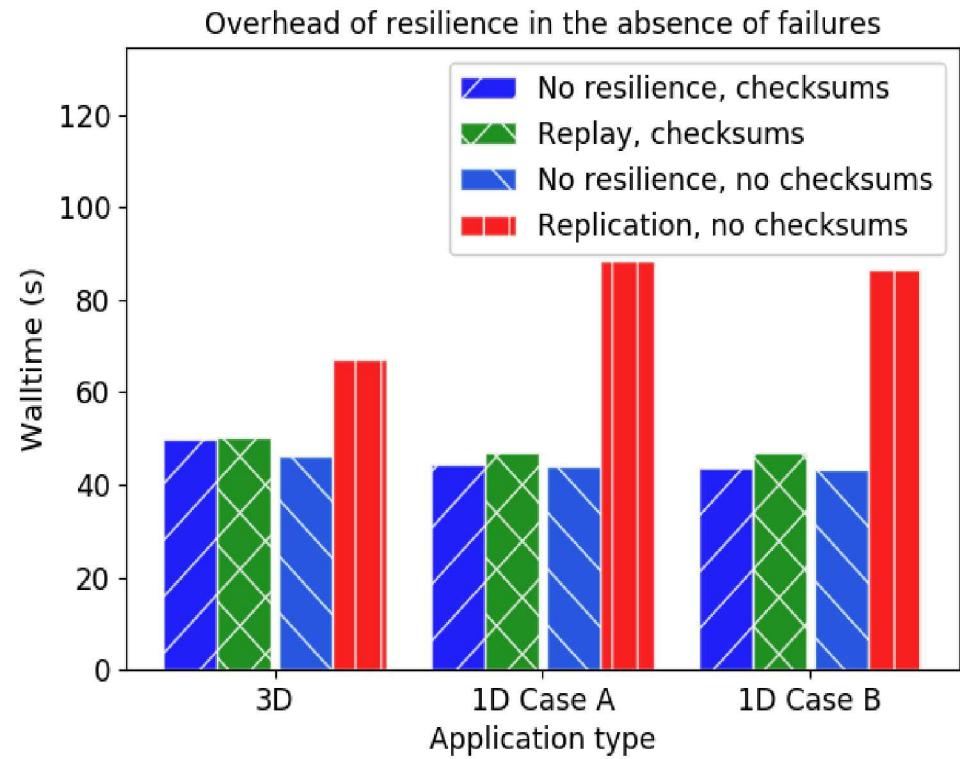


```
abft::async_await_check ( lambda, hclib::promise<int>
out, std::function<int(void*)> error_check_fn, void *
params, hclib_future_t *f1, .. , hclib_future_t *f4,
ABFT_lambda );
```

- Executes the task and checks for error using the error checking function
- `error_check_fn(params)` returns true if there is no error
- If there is error then **ABFT\_lambda** is executed and checked for error again at its end
  - If error checking fails, puts are ignored and the error is reported using an output promise

# Resilience Overhead in the absence of failure

- Replay is less expensive
  - 7%-9%
- In the 1D cases, replication doubles the execution time. (+101%)
- In the 3D cases, the replication penalty is about 45%.
  - More L3 cache hits are observed

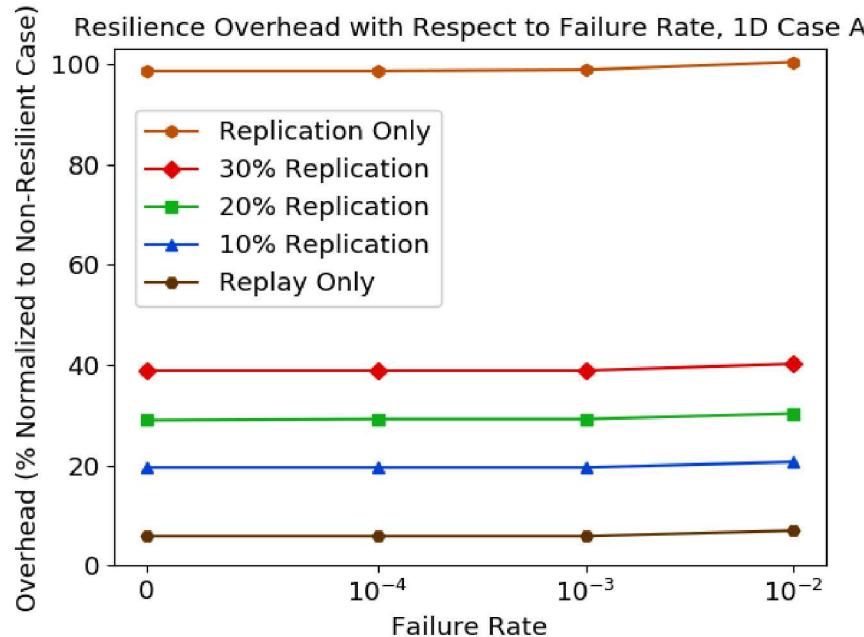


# Resilience with synthetic failure injection



- Test a range of task failure rate (0.01%-1%)
- Failure is detected as checksum error (replay) or different results from the first two tasks (replication)
- We applied mixed mode so that the last X% of iterations are replicated, and replay is applied to the first (100-X)% of iterations.
- The performance numbers **from replay-enabled code with no-failure** are fed to our resilient-AMT simulator to predict the execution time with different task failure rate.
  - Overhead of replay and replication are based on the cost task.

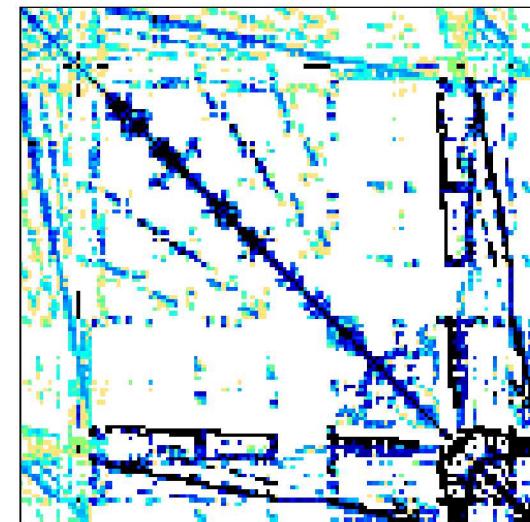
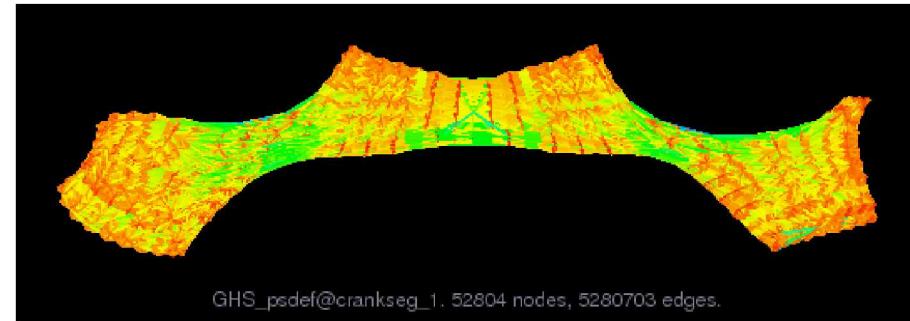
# Resilience with synthetic failure injection (1D Stencil, 128 tiles of 16000 doubles)



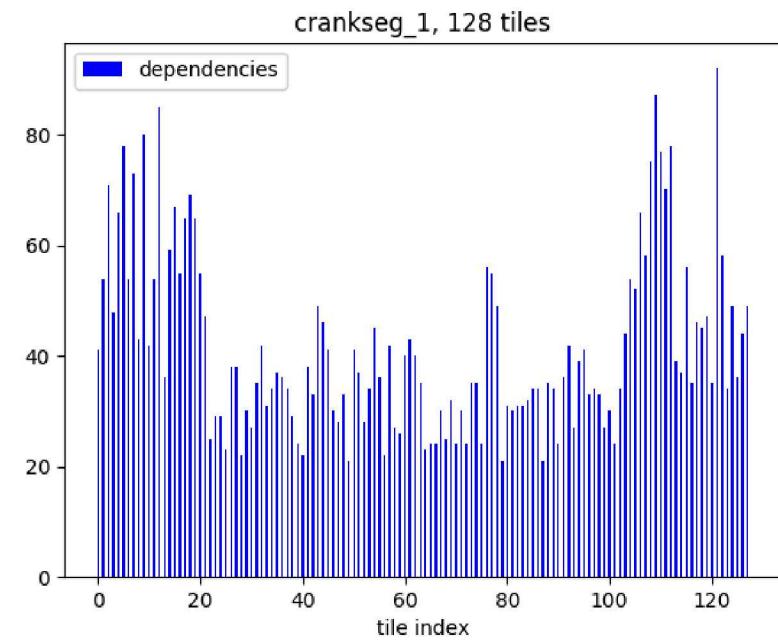
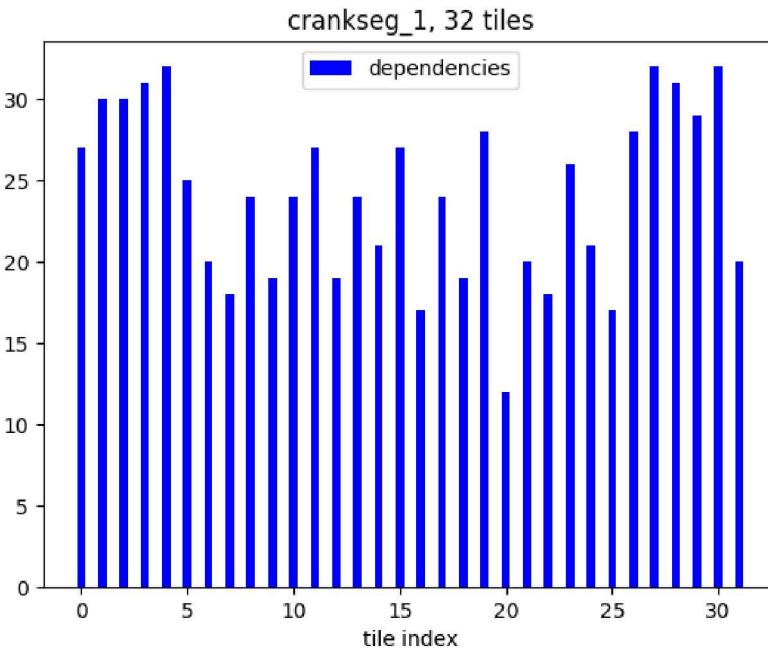
- Slight increase in the wall time with the increase of task-failure rate.

# Explicit PDE Solver for Unstructured Mesh

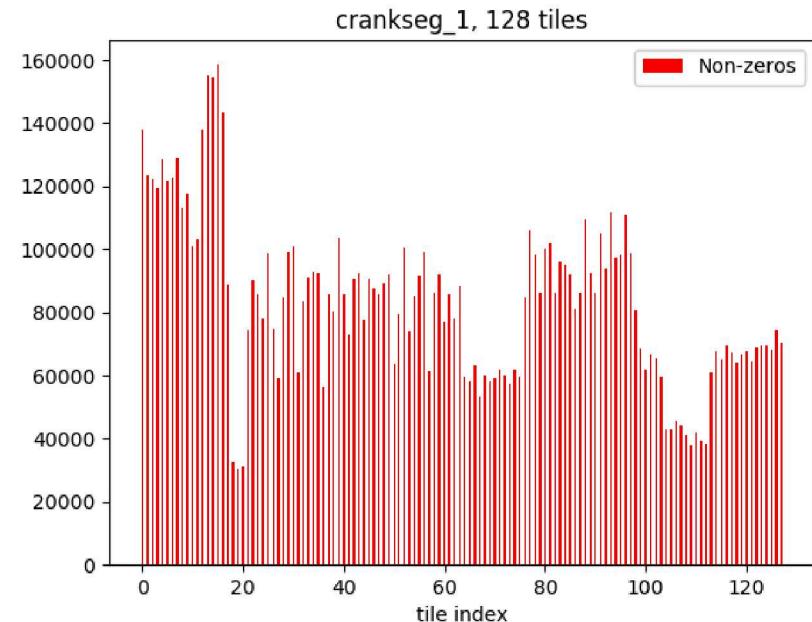
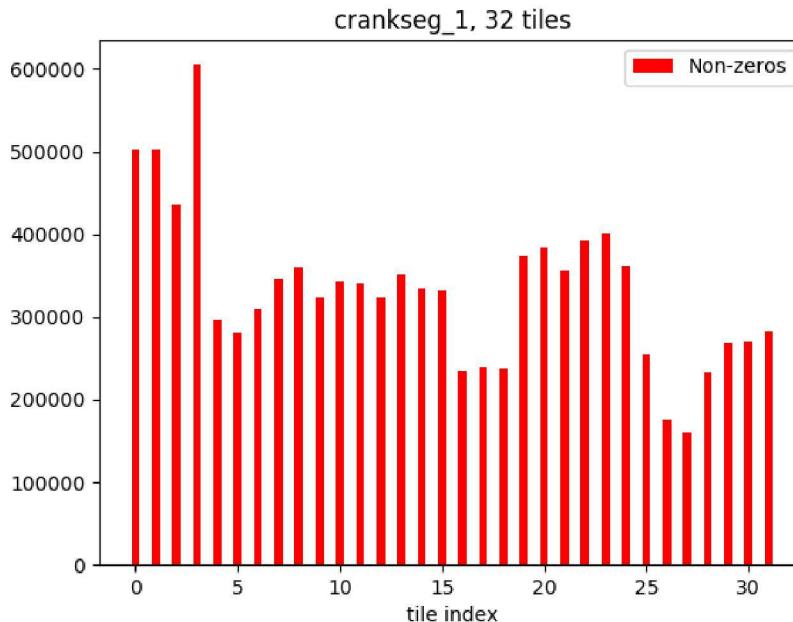
- Repetition of Task based SPMV
- Evaluated crankseg\_1 matrix from SuiteSparse web site at Texas A&M.
- Tried 32 and 128 tile cases
  - No overdecomposition
  - Overdecomposition by the factor of 8
- 500 hundred iterations



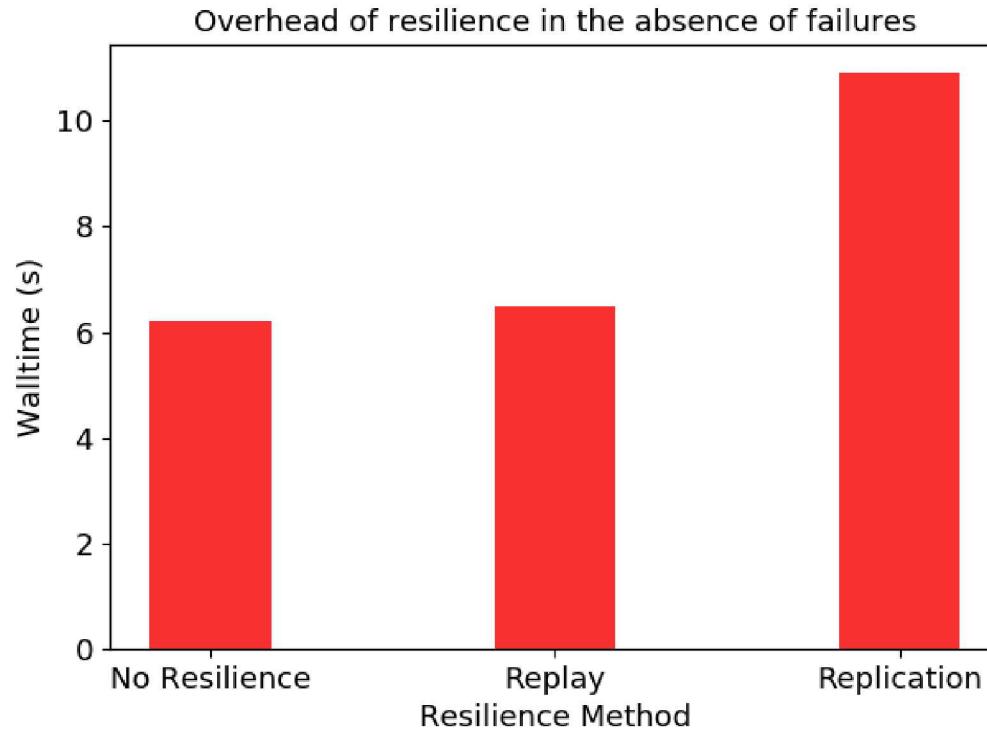
# Irregular distribution of task dependencies



# Irregular distribution of nonzero entries per task

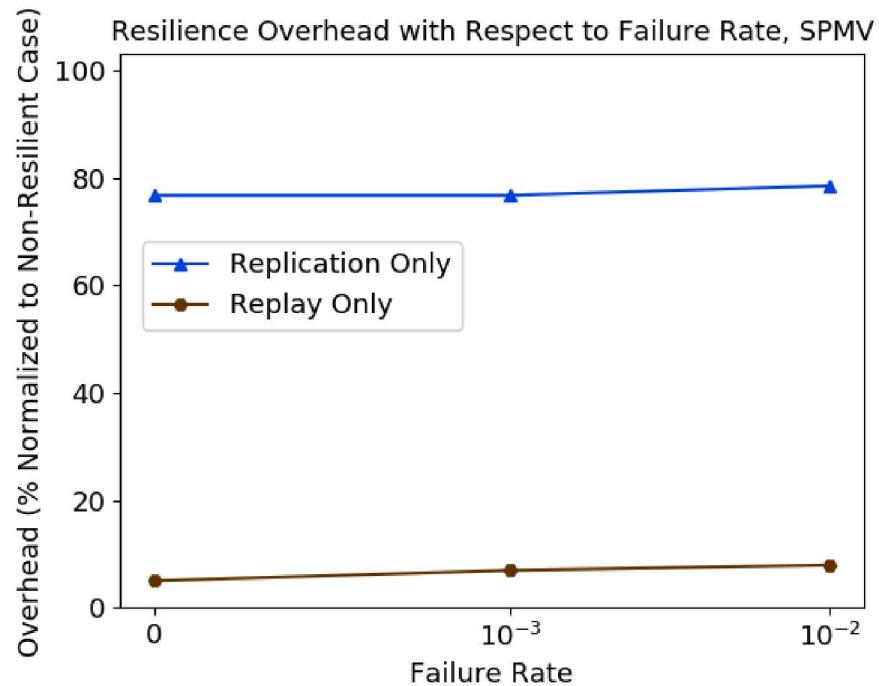
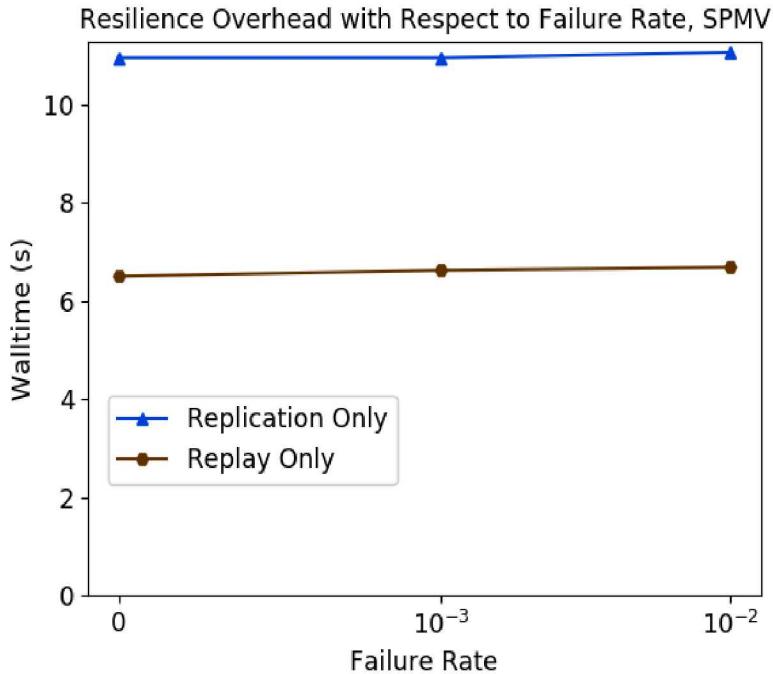


# Overhead of Resilience Techniques in the absence of Failures



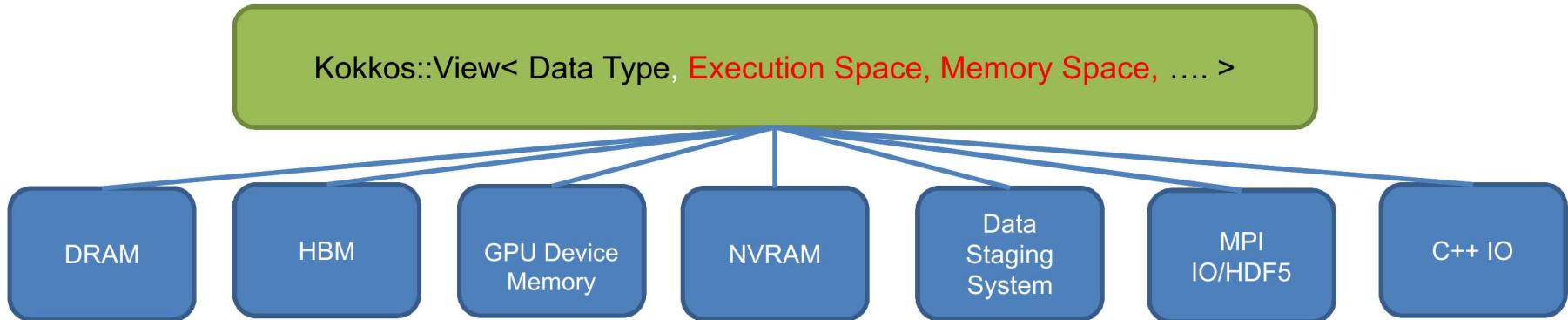
- Approximately 5% of overhead to enable replay.
- Replication doubles the execution time.

# Execution Time under synthetic failures



- Slight increase in the execution time.
- Tasking can hide the delay due to failures.

# Ongoing Work: Resilient Kokkos



- Kokkos provides abstraction of data and (on-node) parallel program execution
  - Kokkos::View provides an array with a variety of tunable parameters through template
  - **Execution and Memory Spaces** to provide performance portability over multiple node architecture
  - Exploit C++ Lambda to support parallel program execution
- Resilient Kokkos provides “resilient” data and execution spaces to enable resilience/fault tolerance without major modification in application program source.

# Resilient Kokkos enables resilient data parallel computation

```
Kokkos::View <double *, ..., ResilientSpace > A(1000);  
parallel_for ( RangePolicy<>(0, 100 ),  
KOKKOS_LAMBDA ( const int i )  
{  
    A(i) = ... ;  
};
```

Replication

```
parallel_for ( RangePolicy<>(0, 100 ), KOKKOS_LAMBDA ( const int i )  
{  
    A(i) = ... ;  
};
```

```
Kokkos::View <double *, ..., ResilientSpace > A(1000);  
parallel_for ( "loop_1", RangePolicy<>(0, 100 ),  
KOKKOS_LAMBDA ( const int i )  
{  
    A(i) = ... ;  
};
```

Automatic Checkpointing



# CONCLUSION

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- Discussed Resilient Programming Models for:
  - SPMD (MPI) Model
    - Online recovery
    - Fenix accommodates generalization of recovery using MPI-ULFM capability
  - Localized Recovery (Fenix-LR)
    - Exploit application's (stencil) communication pattern to enable redundancy
    - Failure-Masking to hide the major recovery overhead
  - Asynchronous Many Task Programming Model
    - Resilience is embedded to the programming model itself.
    - Simple extension of tasking API to enable resilient computation patterns
  - Kokkos
    - Extend **Memory and Execution Space** concept to enable resilience in application data and computation

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# Q&A