

Kokkos implementation of Albany: a performance-portable finite element application

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Introduction

Problem:

Modern HPC applications, Finite Element Assembly codes in particular, need to be run on many different platforms and performance portability has become a critical issue: parallel code needs to be executed correctly and performant despite variation in the architecture, operating system and software libraries.

Approach:

Kokkos programming model from Trilinos: C++ library, which provide performance portability across diverse devices with different memory models.

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Kokkos programming model



Kokkos [1] - C++ library from Trilinos [2] to provide scientific and engineering codes with an intuitive manycore performance portable programming model.

- Provides portability across manycore devices (Multicore CPU, NVidia GPU, Intel Xeon Phi (potential: AMD Fusion))
- Abstract data layout for non-trivial data structures
- Uses library approach:
 - Maximize amount of user (application/library) code that can be compiled without modification and run on these architectures
 - Minimize amount of architecture-specific knowledge that a user is required to have
- Performant: Portable user code performs as well as architecture-specific code

Main abstractions:

- Kokkos executes computational kernels in fine-grain data parallel within an *Execution space*.
- Computational kernels operate on multidimensional arrays (*Kokkos::View*) residing in *Memory spaces*.
- Kokkos provides these multidimensional arrays with polymorphic data layout, similar to the Boost.MultiArray flexible storage ordering.

Ice Sheet Simulation Code (FELIX)



We are developing a performance portable implementation of an Ice Sheet simulation code*, build with the Albany [3] application development environment

Project objectives:

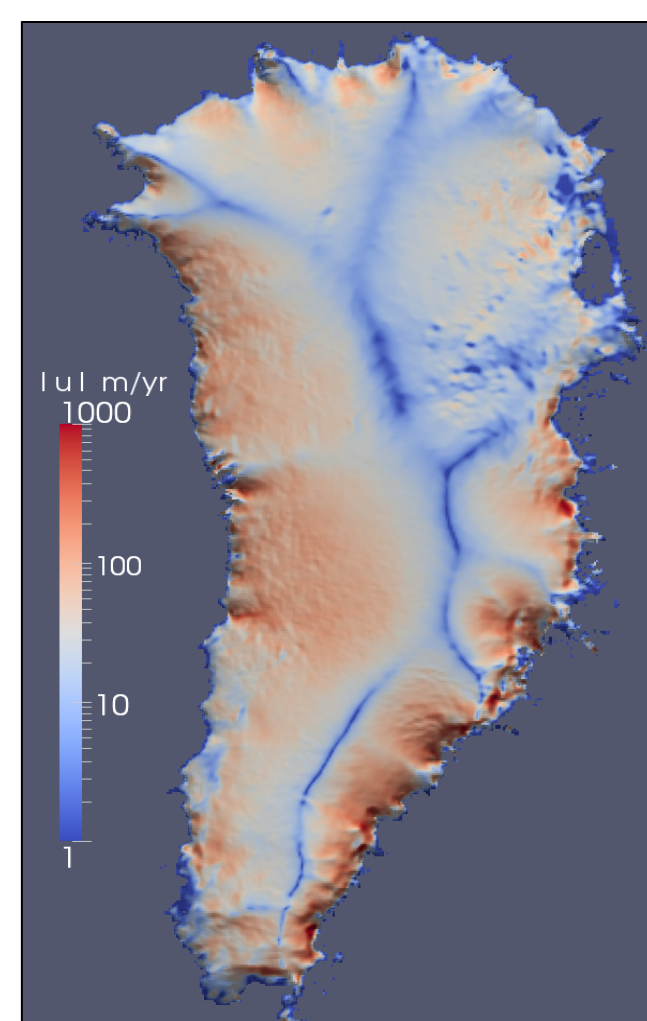
- Develop a robust, scalable, unstructured-grid finite element code for land Ice dynamics.
- Provide sea level rise prediction
- Run on new architecture machines (hybrid systems).

Nonlinear Stokes' Model for Ice Sheet Stresses

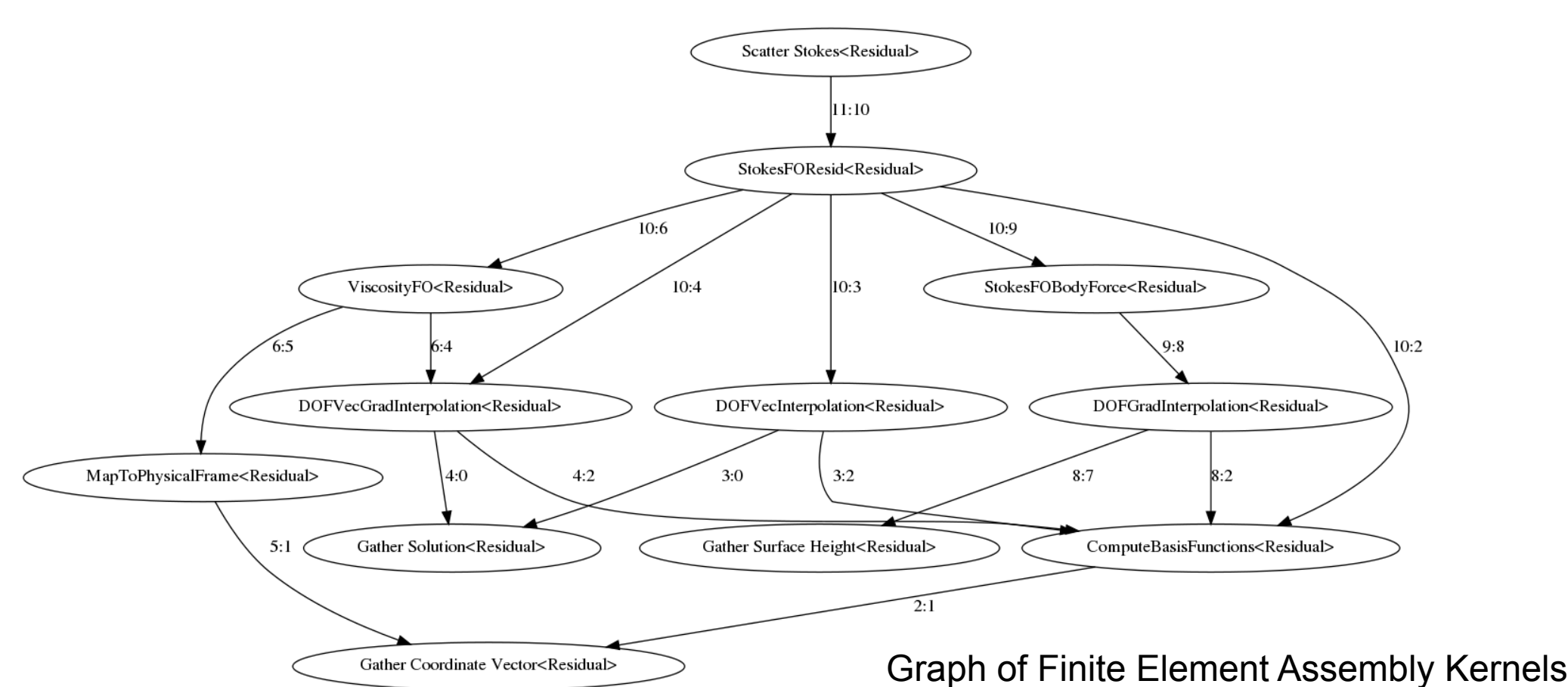
$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot (2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_1) &= -\rho g \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} \\ -\nabla \cdot (2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_2) &= -\rho g \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} \end{aligned}$$

Fully Implicit Solution Algorithm:

- Finite Element Assembly
 - ~50% CPU time
- Linear Solve ILU + CG
 - ~50% CPU Time
- Problem Size, up to:
 - 1.12B Unknowns
 - 16384 Cores on Hopper



Computed Surface Velocity [m/yr] for Greenland Ice Sheet



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Authors: A. Salinger, I. Kalashnikova, M. Perego, R. Tuminaro [SNL], S. Price [LANL]

Implementation algorithm:

1) Replace array allocations with Kokkos::Views (in Host space)

*Kokkos::View<ScalarType***, Device> jacobian("Jacobian", worksetNumCells, numQPs, numDims, numDims);*

2) Replace array access with Kokkos::Views

B[k][j] = jacobian(i0, i1, k, j);

Kokkos::deep_copy(jacobian, host_jacobian);

3) Replace functions with Functors, run in parallel on Host

Example: Compute Jacobian

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Initial code:
for(int cell = 0; cell < worksetNumCells; cell++) {
  for(int qp = 0; qp < numQPs; qp++) {
    for(int row = 0; row < numDims; row++) {
      for(int col = 0; col < numDims; col++) {
        jacobian(cell, qp, row, col) +=
          coordVec(cell, node, row)
          * basisGrads(node, qp, col);
      }
    }
  }
}
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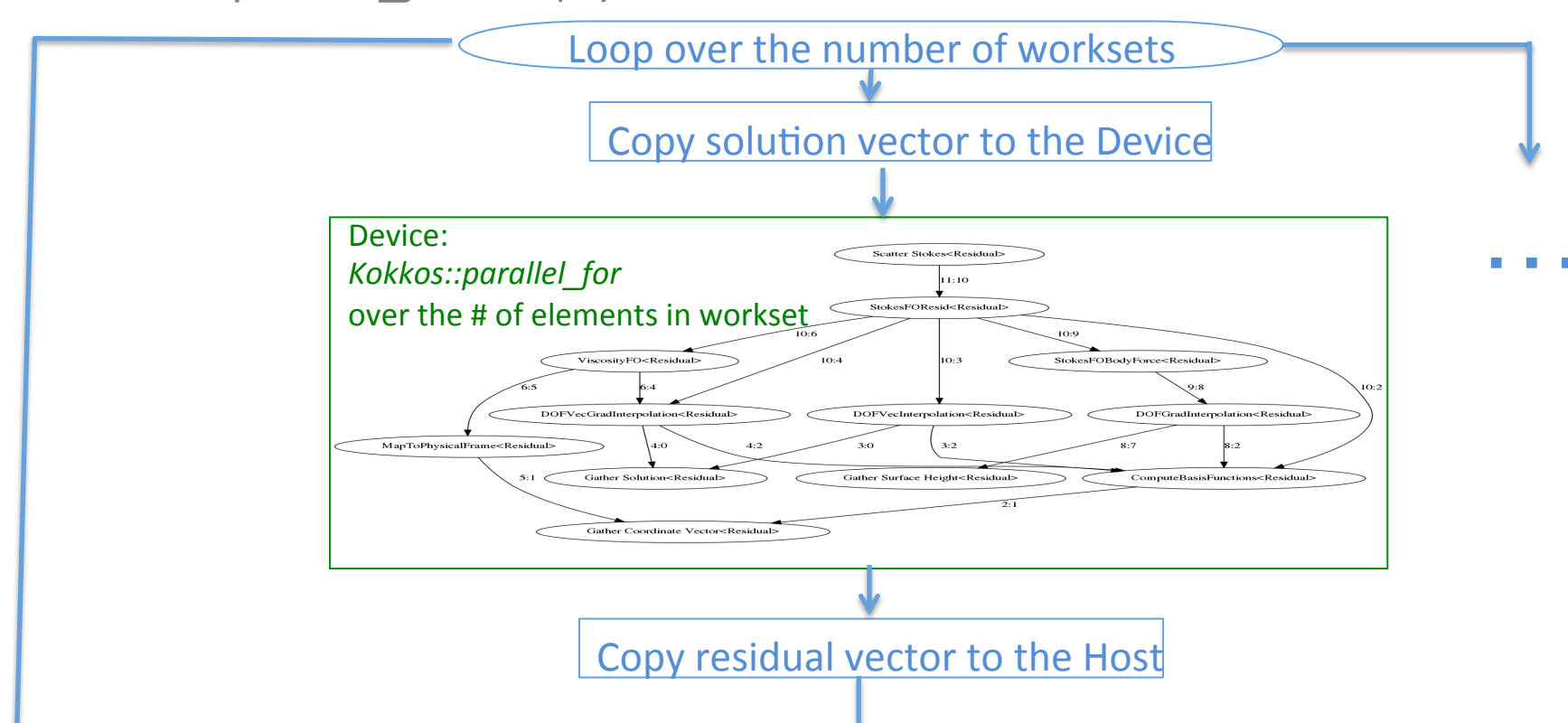
Kokkos Implementation:

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Kokkos::parallel_for (worksetNumCells,
  compute_jacobian<ScalarT, Device, numQPs, numDims, numNodes>
  (basisGrads, jacobian, coordVec));
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```
template < typename ScalarType, class DeviceType, int numQPs, int numDims, int numNodes, >
class compute_jacobian {
  Array3 basisGrads;
  Array4 jacobian;
  Array3 coordVec;
public:
  typedef DeviceType device_type;
  compute_jacobian(Array3 &basisGrads, Array4 &jacobian, Array3 &coordVec)
    : basisGrads(basisGrads), jacobian(jacobian), coordVec(coordVec){}

  KOKKOS_INLINE_FUNCTION
  void operator () (const std::size_t cell) const {
    for(int qp = 0; qp < numQPs; qp++) {
      for(int row = 0; row < numDims; row++) {
        for(int col = 0; col < numDims; col++) {
          for(int node = 0; node < numNodes; node++) {
            jacobian(cell, qp, row, col) += coordVec(cell, node, row) * basisGrads(node, qp, col);
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
};
```

4) Call *Kokkos::parallel_for<...> (...)* over the number of elements in workset:

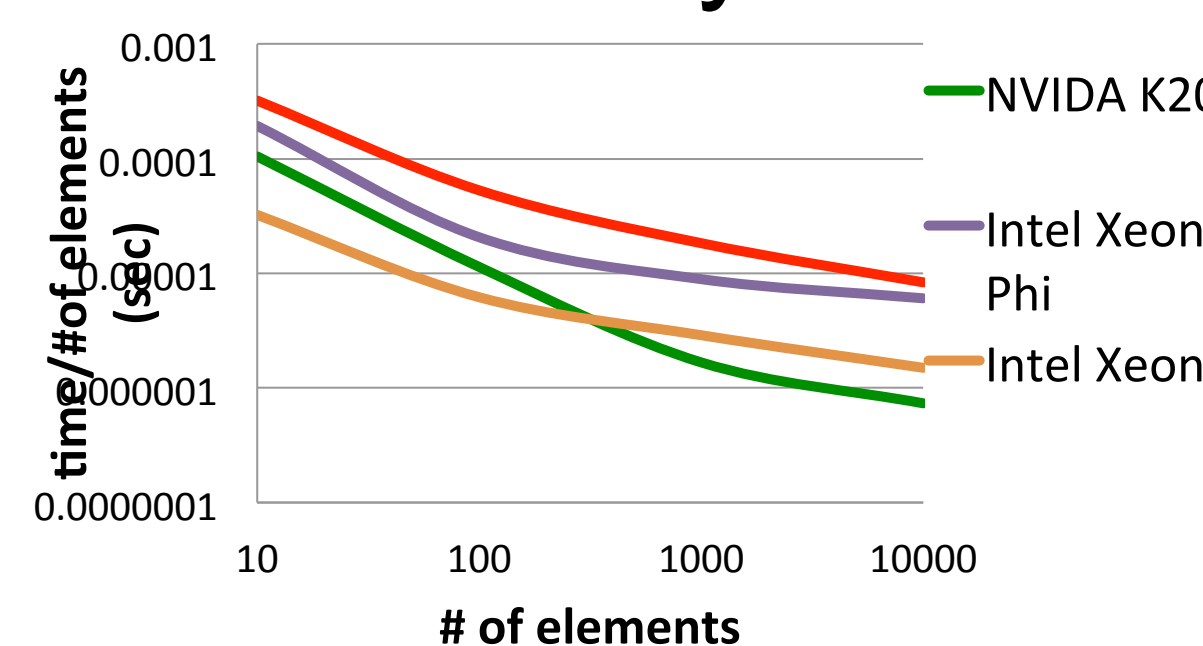


5) Set Device to 'Cuda', 'OpenMP' or 'Threads' and run on specified Device

typedef Kokkos::Cuda Device; or *typedef Kokkos::OpenMP Device;* or *typedef Kokkos::Threads Device;*

Performance Results*

Albany MiniDriver test code



Evaluation Environment:

Compton (Intel MIC cluster):

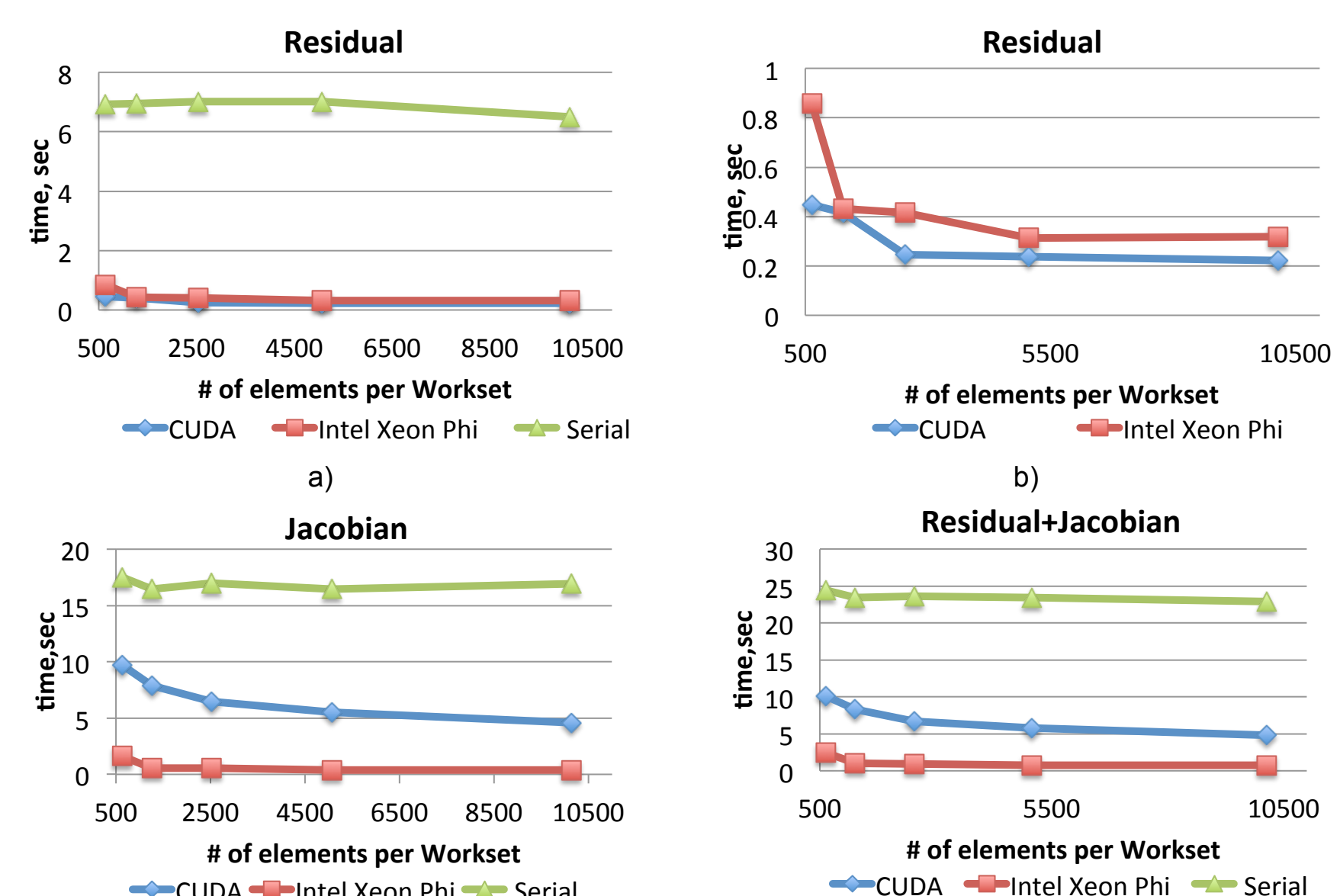
- 42 nodes:
 - Two 8-core Sandy Bridge Xeon E5-2670 @ 2.6GHz (HT activated) per node,
 - 24GB (3*8Gb) memory per node,
 - Two Pre-production KNC (Intel MIC) 2 per node (57 cores per each)

Shannon (NVIDIA GPU cluster):

- 32 nodes:
 - Two 8-core Sandy Bridge Xeon E5-2670 @ 2.6GHz (HT deactivated) per node,
 - 128GB DDR3 memory per node,
 - 2x NVIDIA K20x per node

- * "Fused" means that all the Kokkos kernels are fused together, when in "Separated" version we have several independent kernels
- ** "Nvidia K20 GPU" and "Initial Implementation" results were obtained on Shannon, "Intel MIC" were obtained on Compton

Albany FELIX code



Performance evaluation results for the Kokkos implementation of Albany/FELIX code: weak scalability comparison for Serial, CUDA and Intel Xeon Phi implementations. a-b) Performance results for Residual computations. c) Performance results for Jacobian computations. d) Total execution time for Finite Element Assembly in Felix code.

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