



# Efficient Use of HPC Resources for Turbulent Mixing Simulations

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# I use Blue Waters to

- motivate and train University of Arkansas undergraduate students in the use of large-scale computation and data analytics.
- optimize and scale Front Tracking application code to large-scale turbulent mixing simulations.

## Rayleigh–Taylor hydrodynamic interface Instability

an idealized subproblem of important scientific and engineering problems

- crucial in all forms of fusion whether the confinement be magnetic, inertial or gravitational : inertial confinement fusion, supernovae explosions
- predict growth rate,  $\alpha$ , that describes the outer edge of the mixing zone

$$h_b = \alpha A g t^2$$

$h_b$ , penetration distance of the light fluid into the heavy fluid

$A$ , Atwood ratio =  $(\rho_2 - \rho_1)/(\rho_2 + \rho_1)$

$g$ , acceleration

- Validation and Verification (V&V) : Quantifying errors and uncertainties in multi-physics models and data are crucial to achieve good V&V results for the numerical simulations of realistic applications.  
*Glimm-Cheng-Sharp-Kaman 2019*
- Uncertainty Quantification Analysis : dependence of  $\alpha_b$  on the experimental parameters, such as width of initial mass diffusion layer, long wavelength initial perturbations, fluid viscosities. *Kaman-2018*
- Numerical models for turbulent flows :
  - Reynolds Averaged Navier Stokes (RANS) :
    - resolve length scales sufficient to specify the problem geometry
    - time-averaged equations solving for the mean values of all quantities
    - the least demanding in terms of resources
  - Large Eddy Simulation (LES) :
    - resolve these scales, and also resolve some of the generic turbulent flow
  - Direct Numerical Simulation (DNS) :
    - resolve all relevant length scales
    - full NSE is solved without any model for turbulence
    - the most demanding in terms of resources, very accurate, but limited to moderate Reynolds numbers and simplified geometries

## Sensitivity to both the modeling issues and the algorithmic issues

The essential features of our algorithmic strategy (LES/SGS/FT) are twofold :

- front tracking (FT) to control numerical mass diffusion (achieve resolution of sharp interfaces or steep gradients)
- LES with dynamic subgrid models (SGS) to account for the effects of the unresolved scales on the resolved ones.
  - Filtered continuity, momentum, energy and concentration equations for compressible flow
  - Because the equations are nonlinear, the averaging produces an error

$$\text{Reynolds Stress} = \overline{v'v'} - \bar{v} \bar{v} .$$

- The difference is approximated by a term proportional to a gradient ; the coefficient of proportionality in SGS models are determined from the simulation itself, the models are parameter free.

These features are included in the multipurpose simulation code **FronTier**.

# Model : Multispecies Navier-Stokes equations

The filtered continuity, momentum, energy, and concentration equations :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \bar{\rho} \tilde{v}_i}{\partial x_i} &= 0, \\ \frac{\partial \bar{\rho} \tilde{v}_j}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\bar{\rho} \tilde{v}_i \tilde{v}_j + \bar{p} \delta_{ij})}{\partial x_i} &= \frac{\partial \bar{d}_{ij}}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_i}, \\ \frac{\partial \bar{E}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\bar{E} + \bar{p}) \tilde{v}_i}{\partial x_i} &= \frac{\partial \bar{d}_{ij} \tilde{v}_j}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \bar{\kappa} \frac{\partial \bar{T}}{\partial x_i} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( (\tilde{H}_h - \tilde{H}_l) \bar{\rho} \tilde{D} \frac{\partial \tilde{\Psi}}{\partial x_i} \right) \\ &+ \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \tau_{kk} \tilde{v}_i}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial q_i^{(H)}}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial q_i^{(T)}}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial q_i^{(V)}}{\partial x_i} \right), \\ \frac{\partial \bar{\rho} \tilde{\Psi}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \bar{\rho} \tilde{\Psi} \tilde{v}_i}{\partial x_i} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \bar{\rho} \tilde{D} \frac{\partial \tilde{\Psi}}{\partial x_i} \right) - \frac{\partial q_i^{(\Psi)}}{\partial x_i}. \end{aligned}$$

The dependent filtered variables  $\bar{\rho}$ ,  $\tilde{\Psi}$ ,  $\tilde{v}_i$ ,  $\bar{p}$ , and  $\bar{E}$  the total mass, the species mass fraction, the velocity, the pressure and the total specific energy, with

$$\bar{E} = \bar{\rho} \tilde{e} + \bar{\rho} \tilde{v}_k^2 / 2 + \tau_{kk} / 2$$

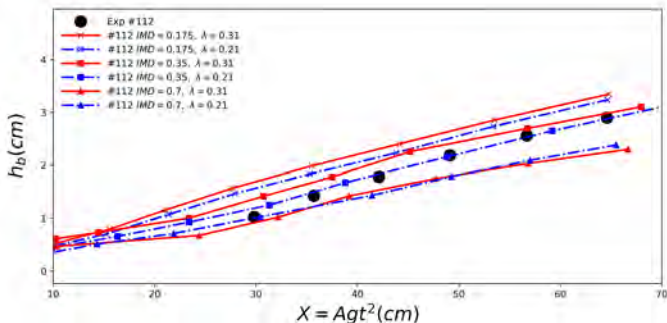
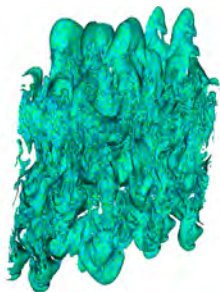
$\tilde{H}_h$  and  $\tilde{H}_l$  are the partial specific enthalpy of each species defined by

$$\tilde{H}_h = \tilde{e}_h + \frac{\bar{p}}{\bar{\rho}}, \quad \tilde{H}_l = \tilde{e}_l + \frac{\bar{p}}{\bar{\rho}},$$

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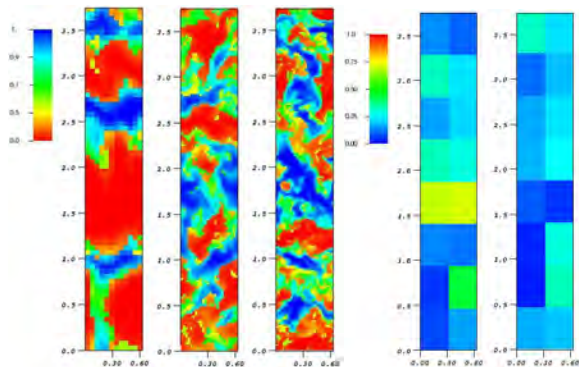
## V&amp;V of turbulence simulations - I

Ref.	Exp.	$\alpha_{\text{exp}}$	$\alpha_{\text{sim}}$
Smeeton Youngs 87	#112	0.052	0.055
Smeeton Youngs 87	#105	0.072	$0.076 \pm 0.004$
Smeeton Youngs 87, Read84	10 exp.	0.055-0.077	0.066
RamAnd04	air-He	0.065-0.07	0.069
Mueschke 08	Hot-cold	$0.070 \pm 0.011$	0.075
Mueschke 08	Salt-fresh	$0.085 \pm 0.005$	0.084



# V&V of turbulence simulations - II

- Left : Heavy fluid concentration at the midplane
- Right : Spatial array  $L_1$  norms of CDF mesh differences





## Application code **FronTier**

- mature, production-quality multiphysics simulation package and under continuous development
- pure-MPI : to pass states and interface data from one processor to another.
- scales to the entire system on Argonne's IBM Blue Gene/P supercomputer (Intrepid) - 62% efficiency on 163,840 cores. INCITE 2011-2012.
- computational intense large-scale simulations on Cray XC50 system installed at the Swiss National Supercomputing Centre (CSCS), 5th place in November 2018.

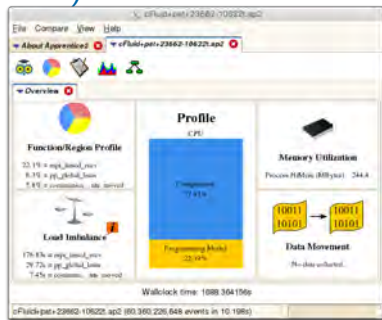
### Education Allocation :

- Programming Environments : Cray/ GNU/ Intel/ PGI compilers
- Profilers : identify the performance bottlenecks (CPMAT + TAU)
- Tune the front tracking application code FronTier on BlueWaters
- Develop Hybrid (MPI+OpenMP) parallelization strategies and perform scaling studies

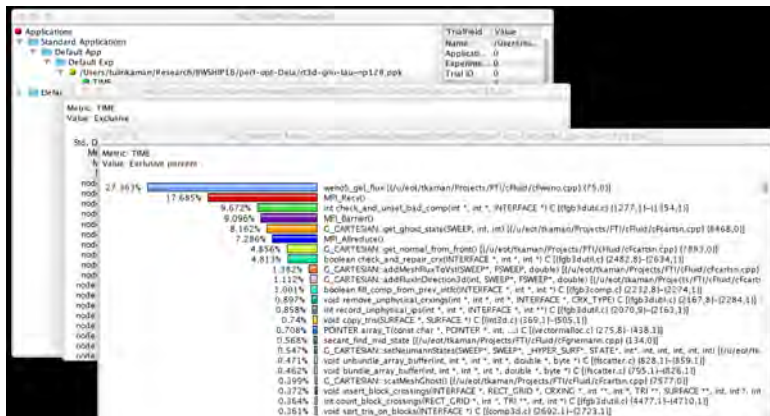
# Profilers

- 1 Cray Performance Measurement and Analysis Tools (CPMAT)
- 2 The TAU Parallel Performance System  
<https://www.cs.uoregon.edu/research/tau>
  - Instrument the source code
  - Execute the generated executable
  - View the parallel profile results

# Cray Performance Measurement and Analysis Tools (CPMAT)

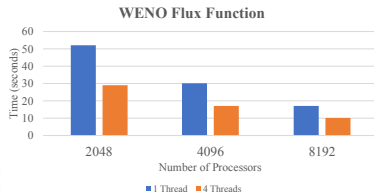
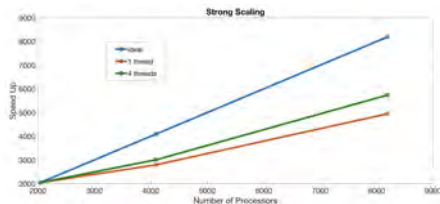


# The TAU Parallel Performance System



# Hybrid MPI and OpenMP

- combine communication with computation with MPI built-in collective computation operations
- implement the parallel formulation by the OpenMP library routines for fifth order Weighted Essentially Non-Oscillatory (WENO) scheme
- investigate OpenMP scheduling



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## Blue Waters

- is used to run many of the computationally intense simulations
- supported me in guiding and teaching two University of Arkansas undergraduate students
  - participate in two-week intensive Petascale Institute at the NCSA on the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus, May 21 - June 1, 2018.
  - receive travel awards to SC18 International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage, and Analysis in Dallas, Texas, November 11-16, 2018.

# Presentations

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