416-PFLOPS fast scalable implicit solver on low-ordered unstructured finite elements accelerated by 1.10-ExaFLOPS kernel with reformulated AI-like algorithm: For equation-based earthquake modeling

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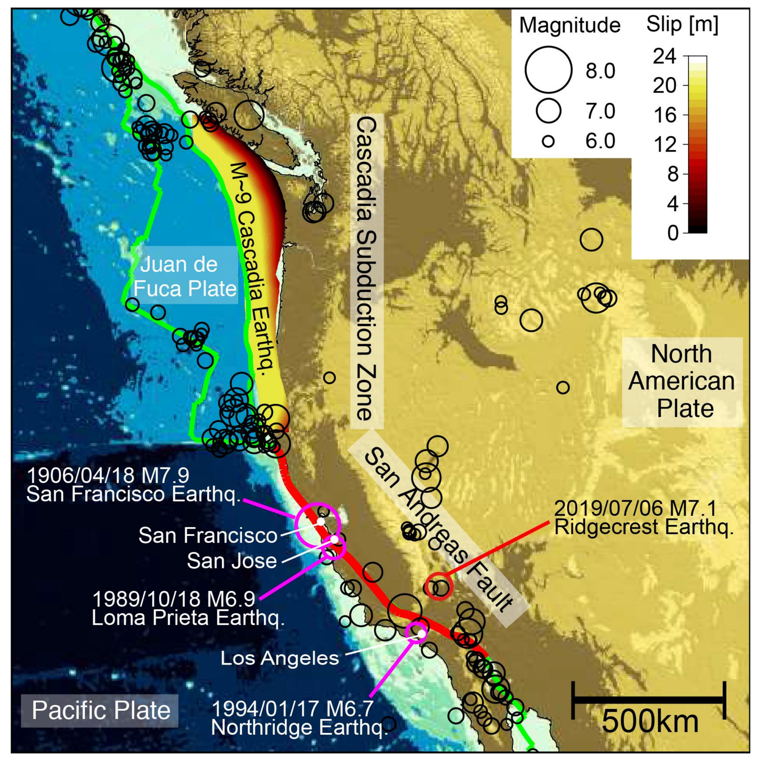
Introduction

A better understanding of earthquake physics is a grand challenge because of the potential of large damage to the society and cities.

- A magnitude-8 earthquake is anticipated along the San Andreas Fault System, which could also be affected by the plate activity in the Cascadia Subduction Zone, where a magnitude-9 earthquake and a huge tsunami occurred in 1700.
- We expect probabilistic long-term earthquake forecasting to become possible by constructing a physics-based earthquake model with a realistic plate geometry and an assimilation of continuous data while solving the governing equations.



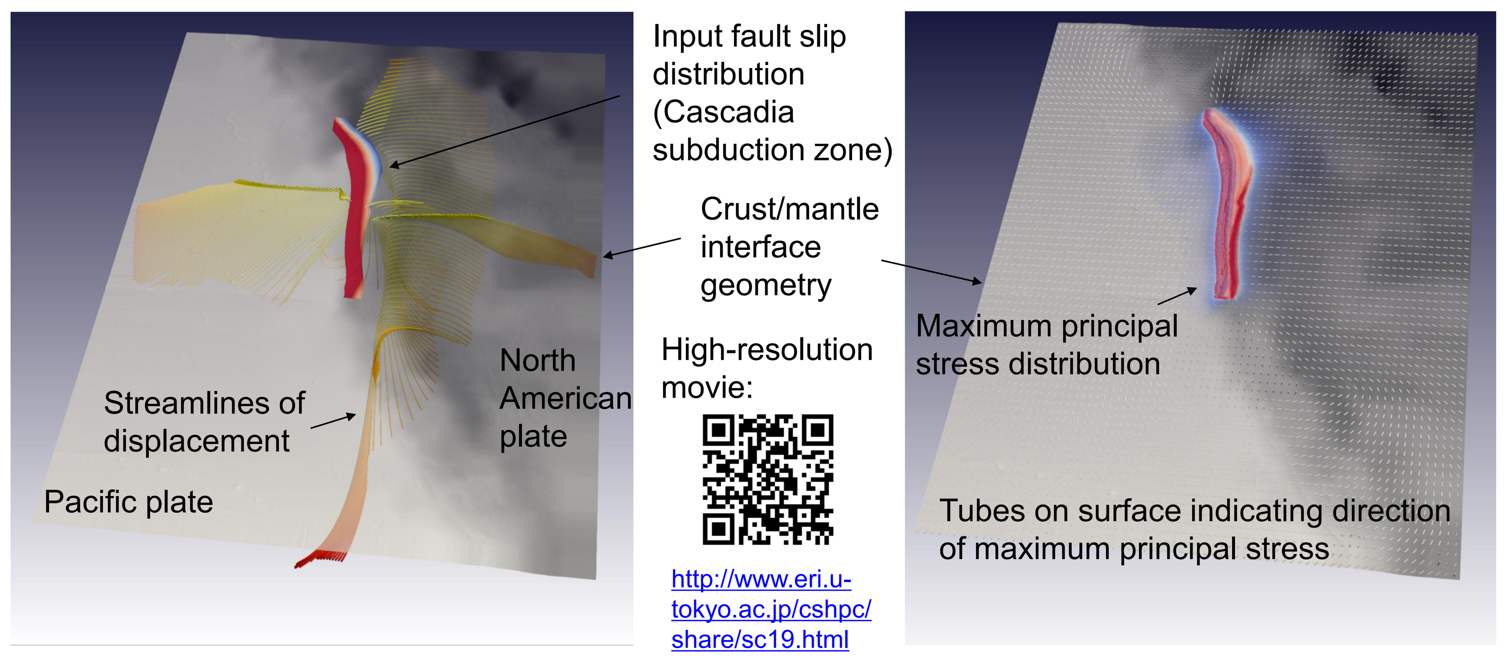
- The computation of governing equations with equation-based modeling considering the crust, plate, and fault geometry in high fidelity is required.
- Unstructured low-order implicit finite-element method is suitable for computing the visco-elastic-plastic time history on a heterogeneous 3D structure.

Huge cost in computing the large spatial- and temporal-scale problem hindered the realization of earthquake forecasting

- Many case analyses for large spatial- and temporal-scale problems in high fidelity are required (10^3 km × 10^3 km region; 10^2 year duration; km-scale resolution; $10^{2\text{-}3}$ iterations for assimilating data and considering uncertainty).
  - The visco-elastic-plastic computation cost is equivalent to solving $10^{10\text{-}12}$ degrees-of-freedom (DOF) elastic analysis for $10^{4\text{-}6}$ times for $10^{2\text{-}3}$ cases.
- At least a 50-fold speedup is required to conduct this analysis even when using the state-of-the-art solver on full Piz Daint.
  - State-of-the-art solver: a directive-based SC16 WACCPD solver [1] designed for P100 GPU based systems, which was developed based on the SC14 Gordon Bell Prize finalist solver [2].

Developed solver attains a 75-fold speedup from the state-of-the-art solver

- Accelerated an unstructured low-order implicit finite-element method using local and uniform expansions suitable for computation on Summit.
- Attained a significant speedup compared to the state-of-the-art solver.
  - Developed solver on full Summit corresponded to a 75-fold speedup from the state-of-the-art solver on full Piz Daint.
  - This speedup was very high considering the 215/25 = 8.6-fold difference in the FP64 system peak performance between Summit and Piz Daint.
  - This speedup is expected to be enough to conduct breakthroughs in science.

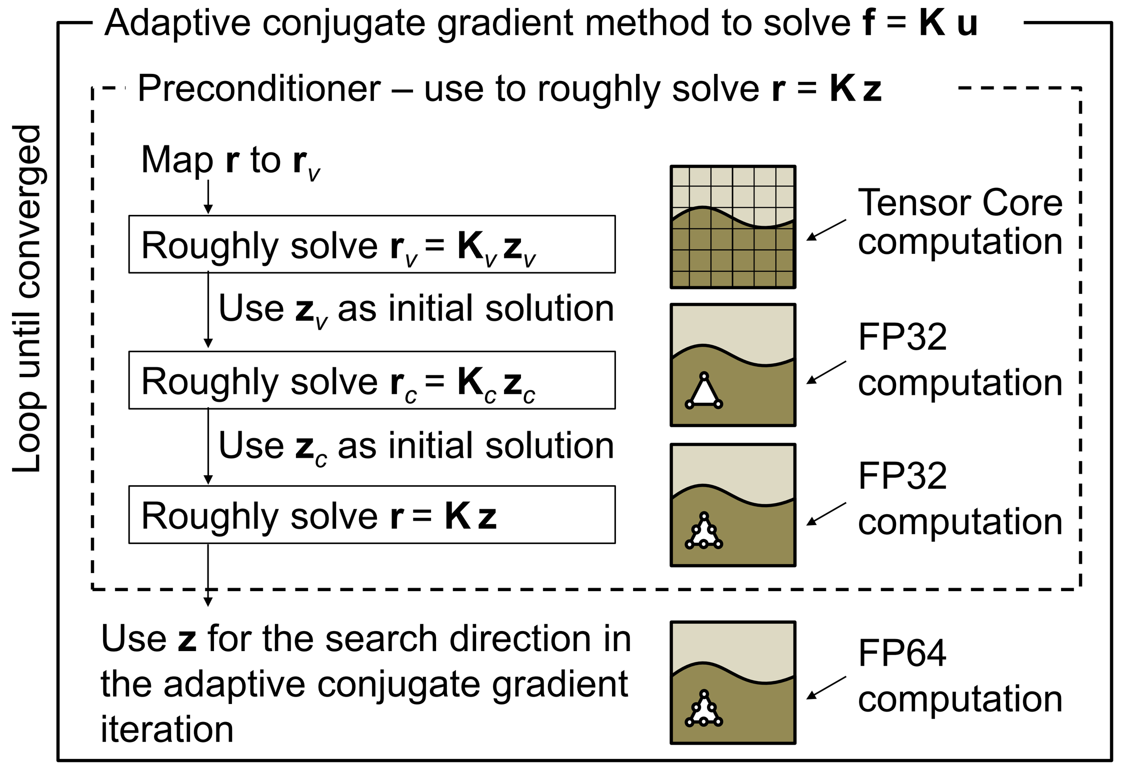


Example of elastic deformation for a fault slip at the Cascadia Subduction Zone computed on Summit (a 1.49×10^{10} DOF model constructed for a 1944 km × 2646 km × 480 km region)

Reformulated AI-like Algorithm for Solving Huge Problems

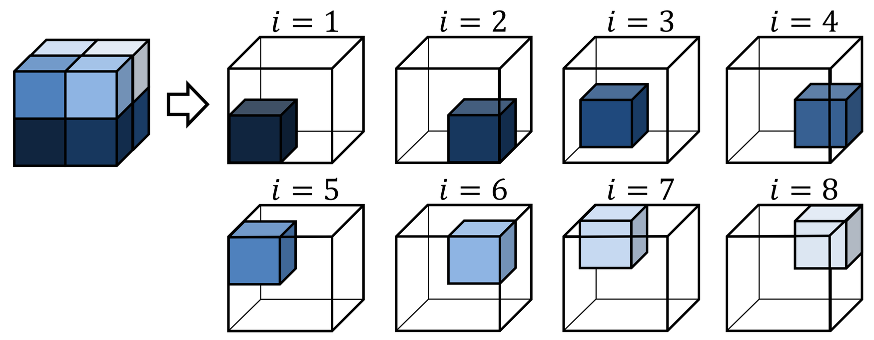
Reformulate the solver algorithm with local and uniform basis expansions, such that the computation becomes similar to that used in AI training

- An unstructured finite-element analysis can hardly attain performance on Tensor Cores because of the basis functions with complex connectivity and varying strengths.
- We reformulate the solver algorithm such that the local and uniform basis expansions are used.
  - A local and uniform basis is used in the preconditioner of adaptive conjugate gradient method.
  - Major part of the solver becomes an iterative structured-grid solver with uniform element matrices.
  - The usage of matrix-matrix multiplication is enabled in most costly matrix-vector products.
  - Same final FP64 results with those of the standard solvers are attained.
- The solver convergence is improved by designing a special element with a high mapping accuracy.
  - A voxel element consisting of eight smaller sub-voxels is used.
  - The multiplication of the ie-th element matrix and vector becomes:



$$\mathbf{q}_{(ie)} = \mathbf{K}_{(ie)}\mathbf{p}_{(ie)} = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{8}\left(\alpha_{i(ie)}\mathbf{A}_i + \beta_{i(ie)}\mathbf{B}_i\right)\right]\mathbf{p}_{(ie)}$$

- $\alpha_{i(ie)}$ and $\beta_{i(ie)}$: scalar values corresponding to the material properties of the ie-th element
- $\mathbf{A}_i$ and $\mathbf{B}_i$: 24 × 24 matrices with constant values
- Use Tensor Cores for matrix-matrix multiplication $\mathbf{A}_i(\mathbf{p}_{(1)}, \mathbf{p}_{(2)}, \ldots)$ and $\mathbf{B}_i(\mathbf{p}_{(1)}, \mathbf{p}_{(2)}, \ldots)$



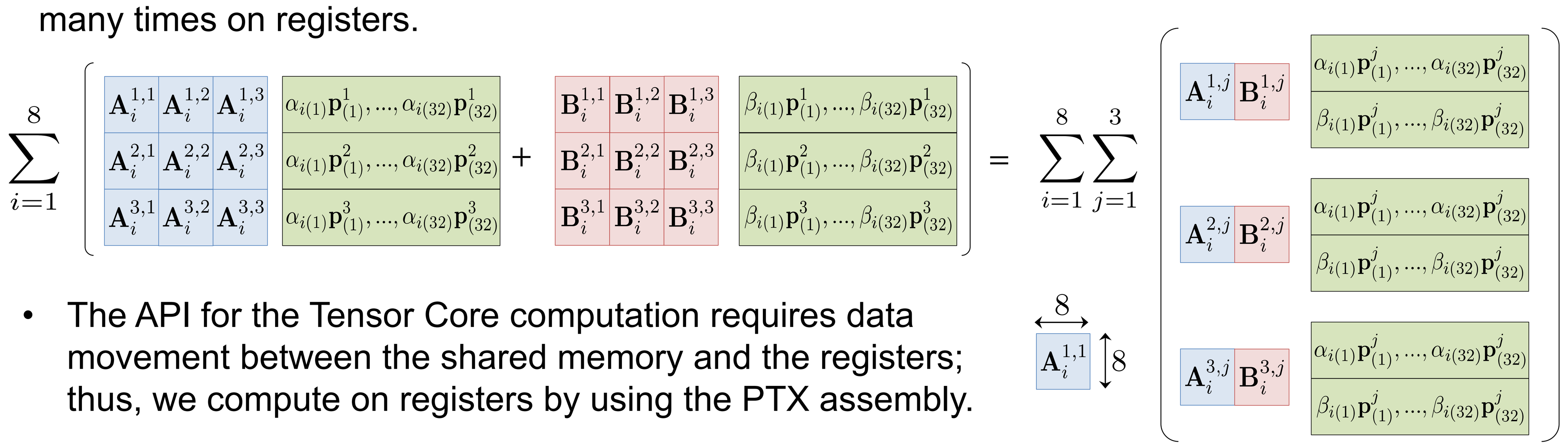
Efficient Implementation of Tensor Core

Special care required for using Tensor Cores for small matrices in equation-based modeling

- Tensor Core is designed for large matrix-matrix multiplication with lower precision data types.
- The reduction of data access cost and prevention of loss of accuracy are required.

1. *Ensuring convergence of the solver*
   - Although a low precision is allowed, a very low precision leads to preconditioner failure.
   - The values of vectors $\mathbf{p}_{(ie)}$ and $\mathbf{q}_{(ie)}$ are normalized per element to improve accuracy.

2. *Efficient data mapping of small matrices*
   - Frequent data movement leads to inefficiency.
   - The computation of 32 elements is subdivided into 72 Tensor Core operations for reuse of matrix many times on registers.

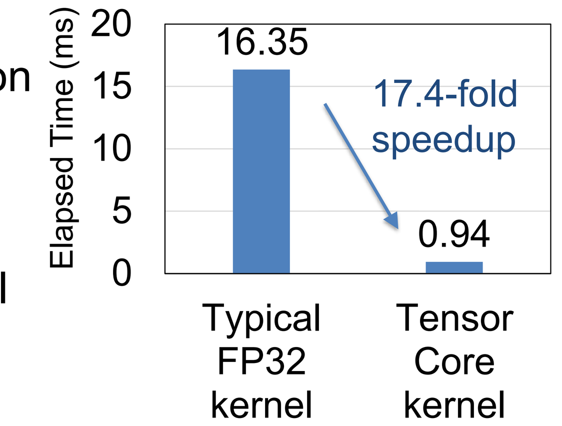


   - The API for the Tensor Core computation requires data movement between the shared memory and the registers; thus, we compute on registers by using the PTX assembly.

Performance Measurement

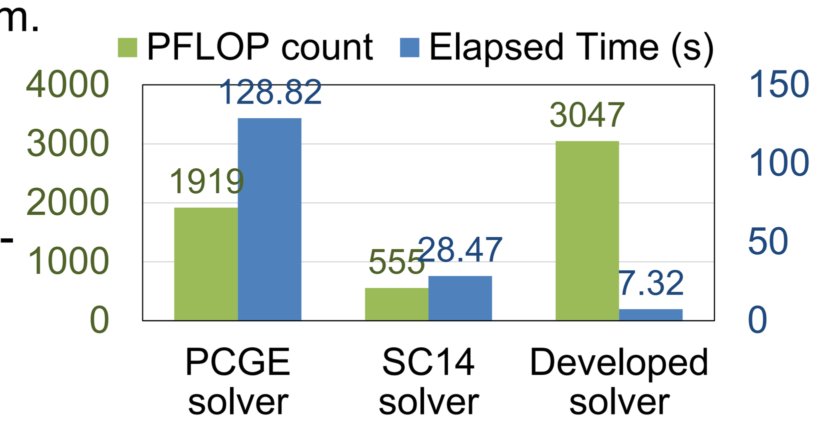
Performance of the matrix-vector kernel

- The performance of the matrix-vector multiplication kernel is measured using one NVIDIA V100 GPU on problem with 2,457,600 voxel elements.
- 49 TFLOPS was achieved using Tensor Cores, corresponding to 17.4-fold speedup from a typical FP32 implementation of the matrix-vector kernel.



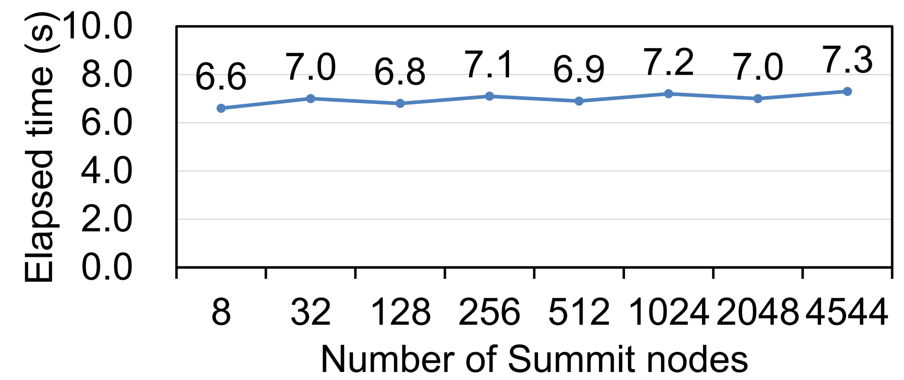
Time-to-solution of the whole solver

- Compared developed solver with a standard solver (PCGE; conjugate gradient solver with 3 × 3 block Jacobi conditioning) and the SC14 Gordon Bell Finalist solver [2] well-tuned for V100 GPUs.
- Measured performance using 4544 nodes of Summit (27,264 NVIDIA V100 GPUs) on a 1.67×10^{12} DOF problem.
- The developed method has increased the arithmetic count, but Tensor Cores accelerated the matrix-vector kernel, leading to 3.89-fold speedup from the SC14 solver.



Weak scaling on Summit

- The developed solver attains a high scalability of 90.5% from eight to 4544 nodes.
- Led to 416 PFLOPS and 1.10 ExaFLOPS for the whole solver and the matrix-vector kernel, respectively, on the nearly full system (4544 nodes).



Summary and Future Prospects

- An equation-based earthquake modeling algorithm is transformed to an algorithm suitable for high-performance hardware originally designed for AI.
- High performance and scalability on full Summit are achieved.
- Our approach using local and uniform expansions is applicable to other problems according to the target computer architecture characteristics.
- We plan to use the developed method to enable long-term earthquake forecasting, which is expected to advance earthquake disaster mitigation.

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