

An Overview of the ACTS Collection

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The DOE ACTS Collection

<http://acts.nersc.gov>

- **A**dvanced **C**ompu**T**ational **S**oftware Collection
- Tools for developing parallel applications
- ACTS started as an “umbrella” project

Goals

- ❑ *Extended support for experimental software*
- ❑ *Make ACTS tools available on DOE computers*
- ❑ *Provide technical support (acts-support@nersc.gov)*
- ❑ *Maintain ACTS information center (<http://acts.nersc.gov>)*
- ❑ *Coordinate efforts with other supercomputing centers*
- ❑ *Enable large scale scientific applications*
- ❑ *Educate and train*

Current ACTS Tools and their Functionalities

Category	Tool	Functionalities	
Numerical $Ax = b$ $Az = \lambda z$ $A = U\Sigma V^T$ PDEs ODEs ⋮	Trilinos	Algorithms for the iterative solution of large sparse linear systems (includes AZTEC00)	SNL
	Hypre	Algorithms for the iterative solution of large sparse linear systems, intuitive grid-centric interfaces, and dynamic configuration of parameters.	LLNL
	PETSc	Tools for the solution of PDEs that require solving large-scale, sparse linear and nonlinear systems of equations.	ANL
	OPT++	Object-oriented nonlinear optimization package.	SNL
	SUNDIALS	Solvers for the solution of systems of ordinary differential equations, nonlinear algebraic equations, and differential-algebraic equations.	LLNL
	ScaLAPACK	Library of high performance dense linear algebra routines for distributed-memory message-passing.	UCB, UT
	SLEPc	Eigensolver package built on top of PETSc	U P Valencia
	SuperLU	General-purpose library for the direct solution of large, sparse, nonsymmetric systems of linear equations.	LBNL
	TAO	Large-scale optimization software, including nonlinear least squares, unconstrained minimization, bound constrained optimization, and general nonlinear optimization.	ANL
Code Development	Global Arrays	Library for writing parallel programs that use large arrays distributed across processing nodes and that offers a shared-memory view of distributed arrays.	PPNL
	Overture	Object-Oriented tools for solving computational fluid dynamics and combustion problems in complex geometries.	LLNL
Code Execution	TAU	Set of tools for analyzing the performance of C, C++, Fortran and Java programs.	U Oregon
Library Development	ATLAS	Tools for the automatic generation of optimized numerical software for modern computer architectures and compilers.	UT

ACTS Tools: *numerical functionalities*

Computational Problem	Methodology	Algorithms	Library	
Linear Equations	Direct Methods	<i>LU</i> factorization	ScaLAPACK (dense), SuperLU (sparse)	
		Cholesky factorization	ScaLAPACK	
		LDL^T factorization (tridiagonal matrices)		
		QR factorization		
		QR factorization with column pivoting		
		LQ factorization		
		Full orthogonal factorization		
			Generalized QR factorization	
	Iterative Methods		Conjugate gradient (CG)	AztecOO (Trilinos), PETSc
			GMRES	AztecOO, Hypre, PETSc
			CG Squared	AztecOO, PETSc
			Bi-CG-Stab	
			QMR	AztecOO
			Transpose free QMR	AztecOO, PETSc
			SYMMMLQ	PETSc
			Richardson	
			Block Jacobi preconditioner	AztecOO, Hypre, PETSc
			Point Jacobi preconditioner	AztecOO
			Least-squares polynomials	
			SOR preconditioner	PETSc
			Overlapping additive Schwarz	
			Approximate inverse	Hypre
		Sparse LU preconditioner	AztecOO, Hypre, PETSc	
		Incomplete LU (ILU) preconditioner		
	Multigrid		MG preconditioner	Hypre, PETSc
			Algebraic multigrid	ML (Trilinos), Hypre
			Semicoarsening	Hypre

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Linear least squares	least squares	$\min_x \ b - Ax\ _2$	ScaLAPACK
	minimum norm	$\min_x \ x\ _2$	
	minimum norm least squares	$\min_x \ x\ _2$ and $\min_x \ b - Ax\ _2$	
Standard eigenvalue problems	iterative, direct	$Az = \lambda z$ for $A = A^T$ or $A = A^H$	ScaLAPACK (dense), SLEPc (sparse)
Generalized eigenvalue problems		$Az = \lambda Bz$, $ABz = \lambda z$, $BAz = \lambda z$	
Singular value decomposition		$A = U\Sigma V^T$, $A = U\Sigma V^H$	
Non-linear equations problems	Newton-based	Line search	PETSc, KINSOL (SUNDIALS)
		Trust regions	PETSc
		Pseudotransient continuation	PETSc
		Matrix-free	PETSc
Nonlinear optimization	Newton-based	Newton	OPT++, TAO
		Finite differences	OPT++
		Quasi-Newton	OPT++, TAO (LMVM)
		Nonlinear interior point	OPT++, TAO
	CG	Standard nonlinear CG	OPT++, TAO
		Limited memory BFGS	OPT++
		Gradient projection	TAO
	Direct Search	Without derivative information	OPT++
	Semismooth	Infeasible semismooth	TAO
		Feasible semismooth	

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Computational Problem	Methodology	Algorithms	Library
ODEs	Integration	Variable coefficient Adams-Moulton	CVODE (SUNDIALS)
	Backward differential	Direct and iterative solvers	
ODEs with sensitivity analysis	Integration	Variable coefficient Adams-Moulton	IDA (SUNDIALS)
	Backward differential	Direct and iterative solvers	
Differential-algebraic equations	Backward differential formula	Direct and iterative solvers	IDA (SUNDIALS)
Nonlinear equations with sensitivity analysis	Inexact Newton	line search	SensKINSOL (SUNDIALS)
Tuning and optimization	Automatic code generator	BLAS and some LAPACK routines	ATLAS

Tool Interfaces

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CALL BLACS_GET( -1, 0, ICTXT )
CALL BLACS_GRIDINIT( ICTXT, 'Row-major', NPROW, NPCOL )
:
CALL BLACS_GRIDINFO( ICTXT, NPROW, NPCOL, MYROW, MYCOL )
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CALL PDGESV( N, NRHS, A, IA, JA, DESCA, IPIV, B, IB, JB, DESCB, INFO )
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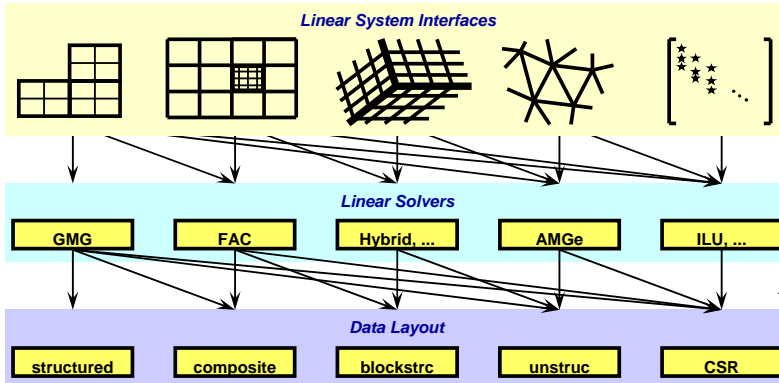
function call
(ScaLAPACK)

command line
(PETSc)

- ksp_type [cg,gmres,bcgs,tfqmr,...]
- pc_type [lu,ilu,jacobi,sor,asm,...]

More advanced:

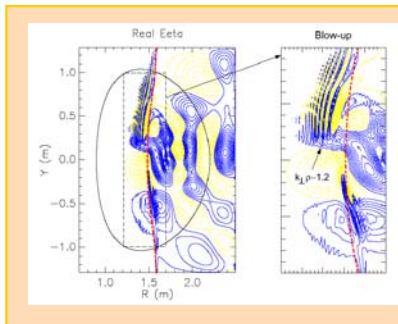
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- ksp_gmres_restart <restart>
- pc_asm_overlap <overlap>
- pc_asm_type [basic,restrict,interpolate,none]



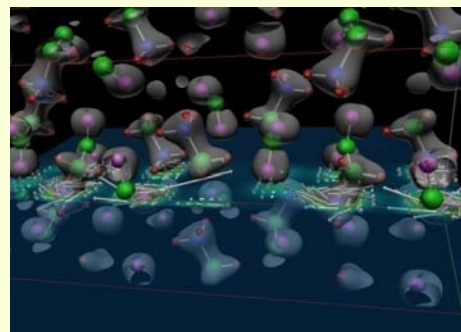
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(Hypr)



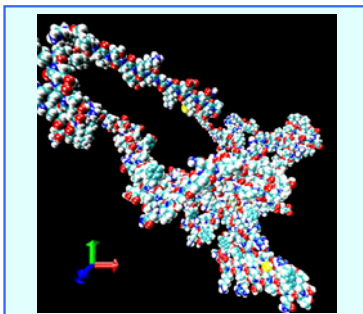
ACTS Tools: examples of use



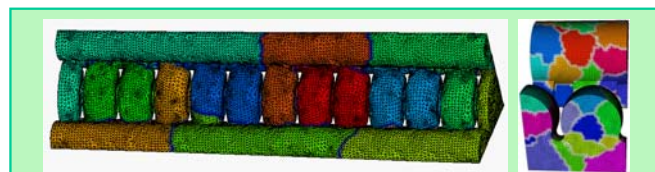
Two ScaLAPACK routines, PZGETRF and PZGETRS, are used for solution of linear systems in the spectral algorithms based AORSA code (Batchelor et al), which is intended for the study of electromagnetic wave-plasma interactions. The code reaches 68% of peak performance on 1936 processors of an IBM SP.



Induced current (white arrows) and charge density (colored plane and gray surface) in crystallized glycine due to an external field (Louie, Yoon, Pfrommer and Canning), eigenvalue problems solved with ScaLAPACK.



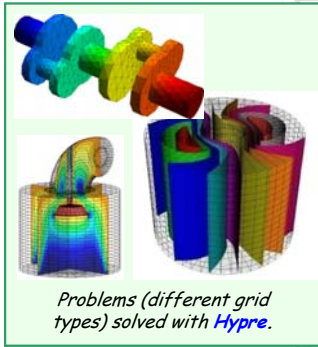
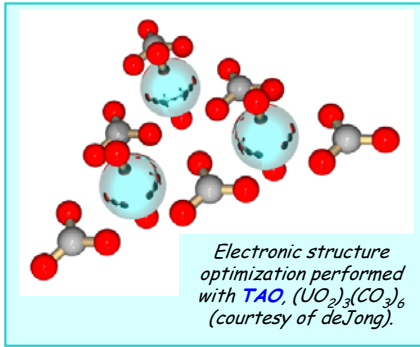
OPT++ is used in protein energy minimization problems (shown here is protein T162 from CASP5, courtesy of Meza, Oliva et al.)



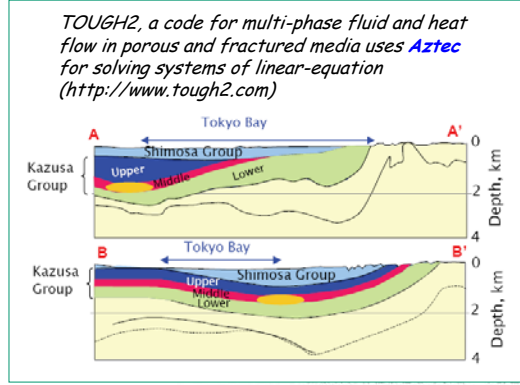
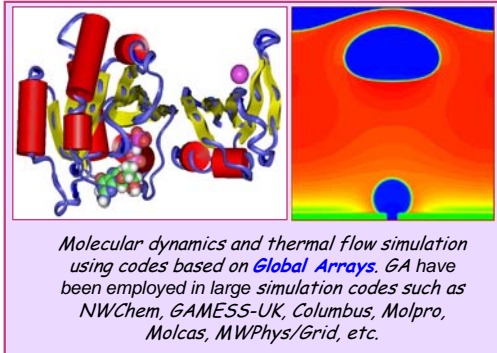
Omega3P is a parallel distributed-memory code intended for the modeling and analysis of accelerator cavities, which requires the solution of generalized eigenvalue problems. A parallel exact shift-invert eigensolver based on PARPACK and SuperLU has allowed for the solution of a problem of order 7.5 million with 304 million nonzeros. Finding 10 eigenvalues requires about 2.5 hours on 24 processors of an IBM SP.



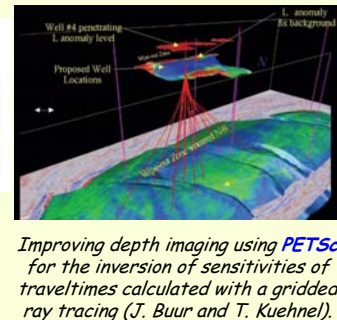
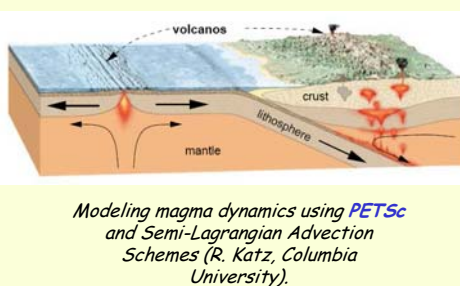
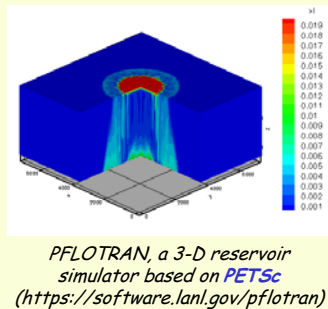
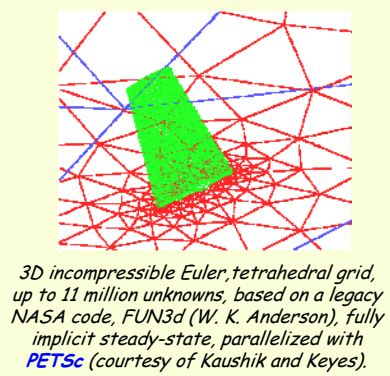
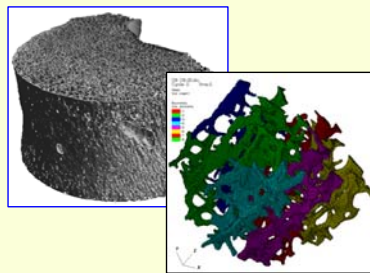
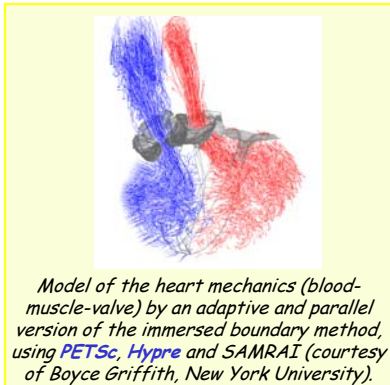
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 影響予測、きめ細かく
 大成建設
 地下水変化や地上漏れ検証
 無重量下の液体再現
 東大模擬実験モデル開発
 タンク効率化



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Important Questions for Application Developers

- *How does performance vary with different compilers?*
- *Is poor performance correlated with certain OS features?*
- *Has a recent change caused unanticipated performance?*
- *How does performance vary with MPI variants?*
- *Why is one application version faster than another?*
- *What is the reason for the observed scaling behavior?*
- *Did two runs exhibit similar performance?*
- *How are performance data related to application events?*
- *Which machines will run my code the fastest and why?*
- *Which benchmarks predict my code performance best?*

From <http://acts.nersc.gov/events/Workshop2005/slides/Shende.pdf>

TAU

(Tuning and Analysis Utilities)

- Multi-level performance instrumentation
- Multi-language automatic source instrumentation
- Flexible and configurable performance measurement
- Widely-ported parallel performance profiling system
 - Computer system architectures and operating systems
 - Different programming languages and compilers
- Support for multiple parallel programming paradigms
- *Profiling*: recording of summary information during execution
- *Tracing*: recording of information about significant points (events) during

TAU: Example (1/2)

PESCAN is a code that uses the folded spectrum method for nonselfconsistent nanoscale calculations. It uses a planewave basis, and conventional Kleinman-Bylander nonlocal pseudopotentials in real space. It is parallelized using MPI and can calculate million atom systems.

Makefile for PESCAN

include \$(TAULIBDIR)/Makefile.tau-multiplecounters-mpi-papi-pdt

FC = \$(TAU_COMPILER) mpixlf90_r

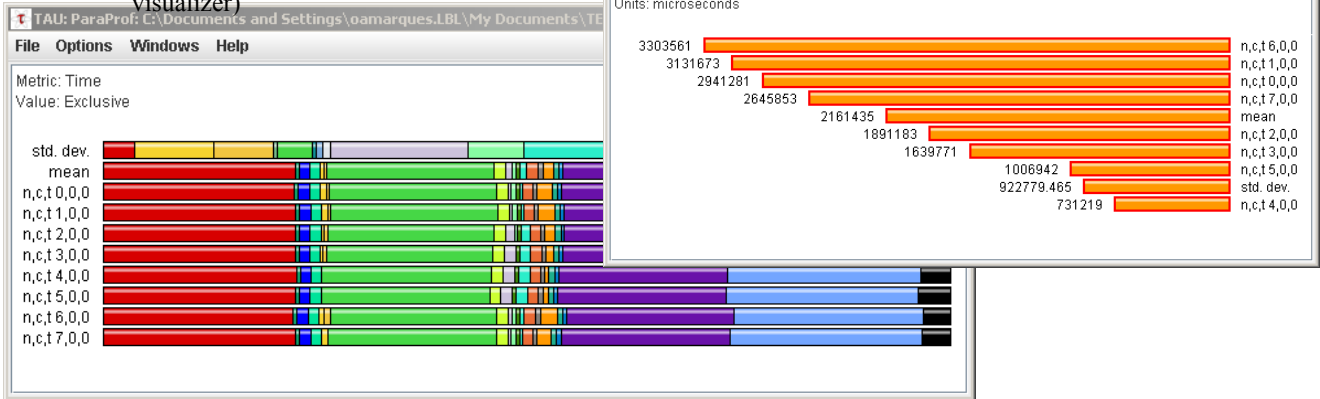
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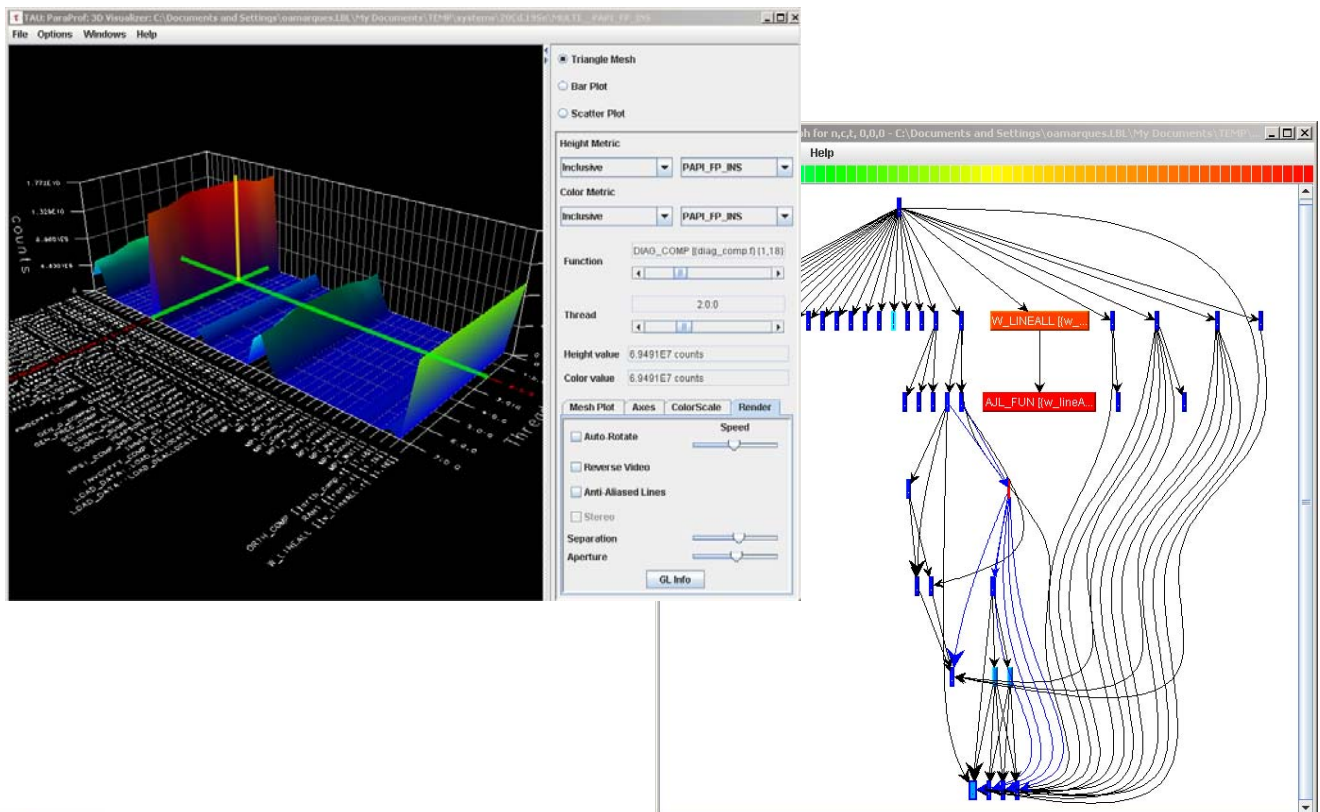
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performs automatic instrumentation

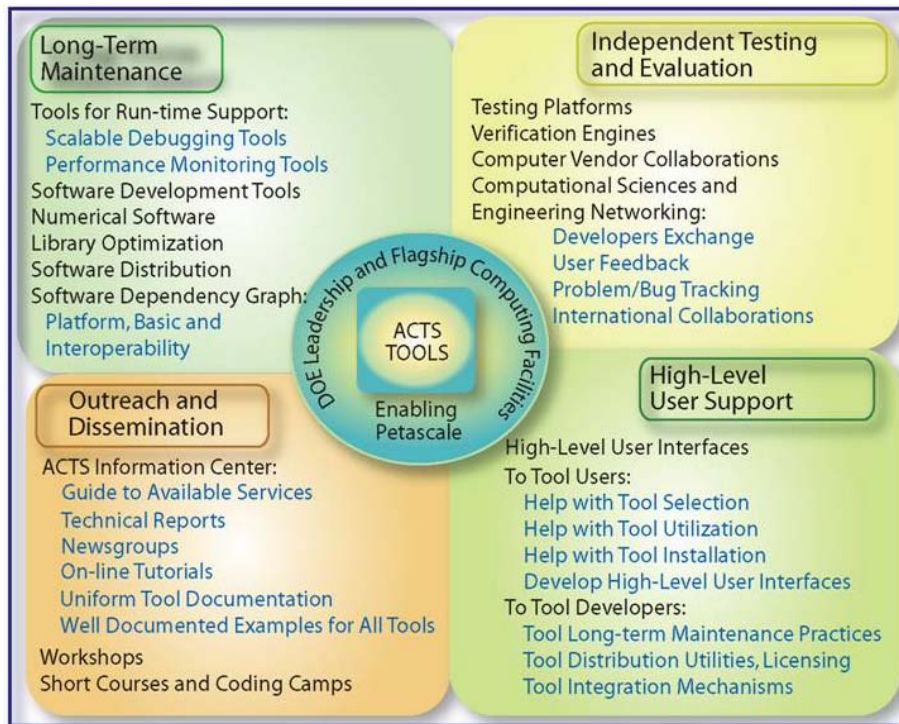
PARAPROF (TAU's visualizer)



TAU: Example (2/2)



ACTS Center: *set of services*



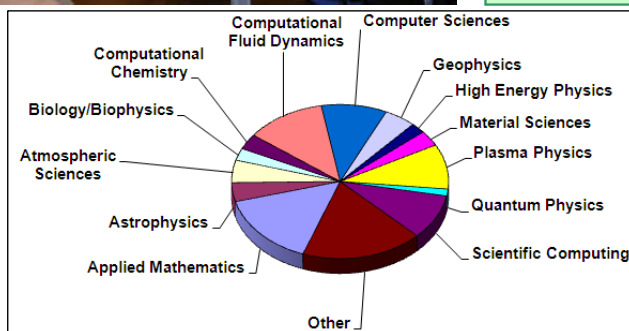
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The ACTS Project: *outreach efforts*



Yearly Workshop at LBNL

- **Ninth Workshop, August 19-22, 2008**
- Previous (eight) workshops (and other events) attended by more than 350 participants from DOE labs, academia and industry
- Tutorials and hands-on (on NERSC computers) delivered by tool developers
- Help with start up accounts (on NERSC computers)

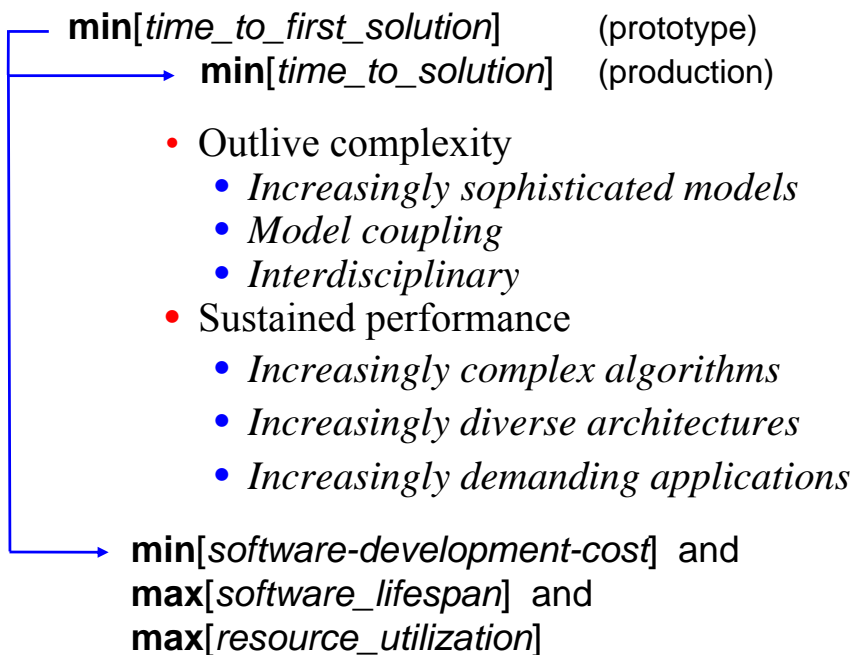


Participants in the ACTS Collection Workshops: 53% of students, 15% postdoctoral fellows, 22% researchers and faculty, and 9% from industry, supercomputer centers, computer vendors, ISVs, and the military. *Other* includes electromagnetism, numerical relativity, computational social sciences, computational neuroscience, medical imaging, hydrology, etc.

Recent Short Courses and Minisymposia

- **Workshop and Advanced School on Eigenvalue Problems, Software and Applications**, Porto, Portugal, 2007.
- **ACTS Collection Workshop at SDSC**, San Diego, CA, 2006.
- **Tutorial on Robust and High Performance Software Libraries for Computational Sciences**, VECPAR'06, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- **Short Course on the ACTS Collection**, SIAM CSE05 Conference, Orlando, FL.

Productivity: *software development timeline*



$$\psi = \frac{U(T)}{C_s + C_o + C_m}$$

- Ψ = overall system productivity
- $U(T)$ = utility (a function of time); the longer the time to solution, the lower the utility of that solution
- C_s = cost of software
- C_o = cost of operator
- C_m = cost of machine

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