Tackling exascale systems for astrophysics

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Application context

- Phd thesis of L. Roussel-Hard advised by E. Audit and L. Dessart
- Multidimensional radiative hydrodynamics for supernovae
  - Study of local instabilities
  - Evolution of the Nickel 56 bubbles
  - Spectral characteristics of the ejecta
- Existing code Heracles
  - Fortran
  - CPU
  - Makefile
Heracles++ features

- 1D/2D/3D structured mesh
  - Cartesian geometry
  - Spherical geometry

- Hydrodynamics
  - Explicit finite volumes schemes, Godunov-types
  - MUSCL-Hancock second order reconstruction
  - HLL, HLLC, low-Mach approximate Riemann solvers
  - Equations of state
    - Perfect gas
    - Radiative gas

- Radiative transfer [WIP]
  - Hydrodynamics equation of state
  - reduced speed of light
  - implicit M1 model

- Gravity
  - Uniform
  - Point mass

- Arbitrary passive scalars
Technical choices

- Build system
  - CMake
- Language
  - C++17
  - Dynamic and static polymorphism
- Parallelization
  - MPI
    - Domain decomposition
  - Kokkos
    - One Kokkos::View per physical variable
    - parallel_for, parallel_reduce
    - Kokkos::MDRangePolicy
- I/O
  - PDI with HDF5
  - Simple in-situ computation

Kokkos::parallel_for("Parallel_for_example",
Kokkos::MDRangePolicy<Kokkos::Rank<3>>({{0, 0, 0}, {nx, ny, nz}}),
KOKKOS_LAMBDA(int i, int j, int k) {
  auto F_L = compute_FL(i,j,k);
  auto F_R = compute_FR(i,j,k);
  auto dv = compute_dV(i,j,k);
  U_new(i, j, k) = U(i, j, k) + dt/dv * (F_L - F_R) + dt * S(i, j, k);
});

Compact code: 7kLOC

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User experience

- **MDRangePolicy**
  - Easy to use
  - Tiling not always needed
  - Useful to get a thread-private allocator for MDRangePolicy
    - Static: experiment on using Kokkos::View<double[ndim][2]>
    - Dynamic: ?

- **Difficulties to get vectorization**
  - Need aggressive inlining
  - Need loop unrolling due to inner loops over the number of dimensions

- **Usage of KOKKOS_CLASS_LAMBDA**
  - Some classes are not copyable
  - Warnings about classes not device-compatible

- **A Kokkos::View per physical variable**
  - API can be verbose → possibility to have incorrect order
  - A lot of metadata is duplicated, can it impact performance?

- **MPI device-aware**
  - Difficulty to know if the MPI implementation supports it
Thank you for your attention!