



The AllScale API

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AllScale – A H2020 Success Story

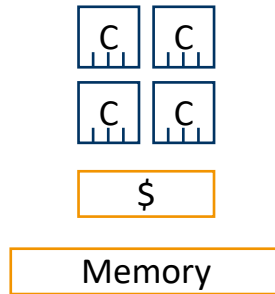
- Horizon 2020 funded project and marked “Success Story”
- October 2015 – September 2018
- Coordinated by Thomas Fahringer, Distributed and Parallel Systems Group and Research Center HPC, Department of Computer Science
- 5 Partners
 - Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg
 - IBM Ireland
 - KTH Stockholm
 - Numeca, Brussels
 - Queen’s University Belfast



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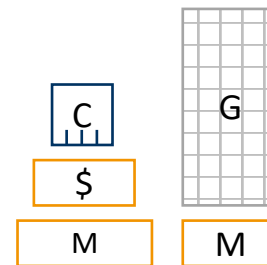
Parallel Architectures

Multicore



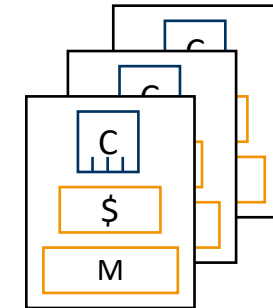
OpenMP/Cilk

Accelerators



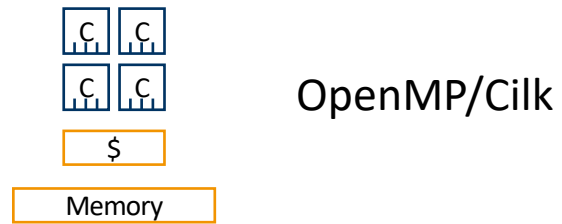
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Clusters



MPI/PGAS

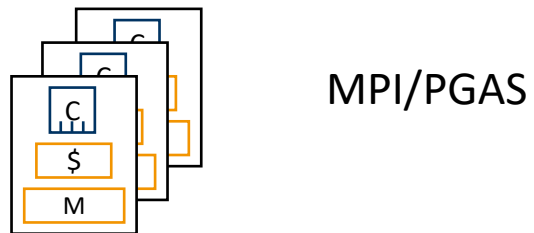
Real World Architectures



OpenMP/Cilk

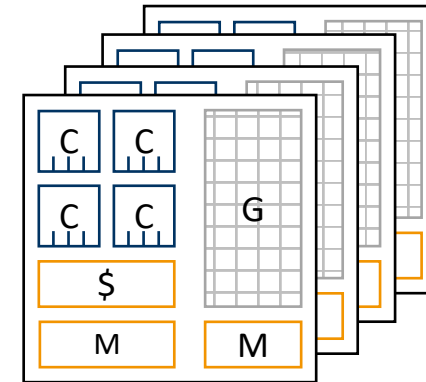


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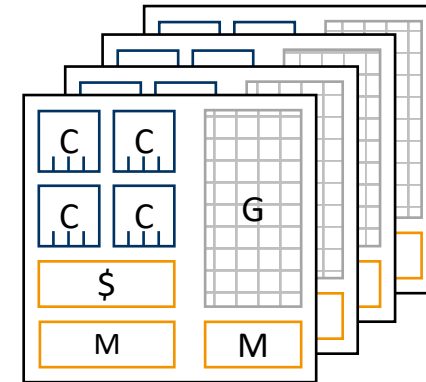
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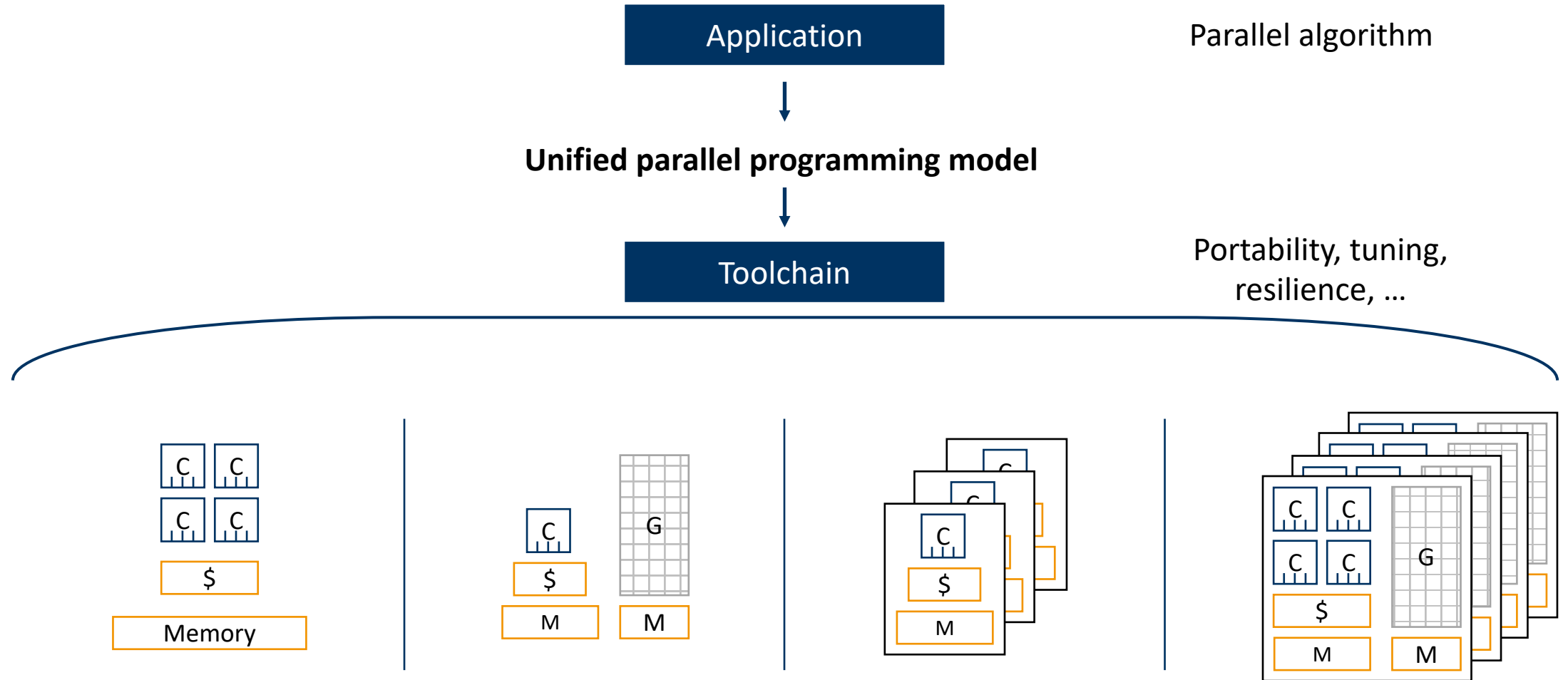


Hybrid Codes

- Issues
 - Hard-coded problem decomposition
 - Lack of coordination among runtime systems
- No built-in support for
 - Portability
 - Auto-tuning
 - Load balancing
 - Monitoring
 - Resilience
 - ...

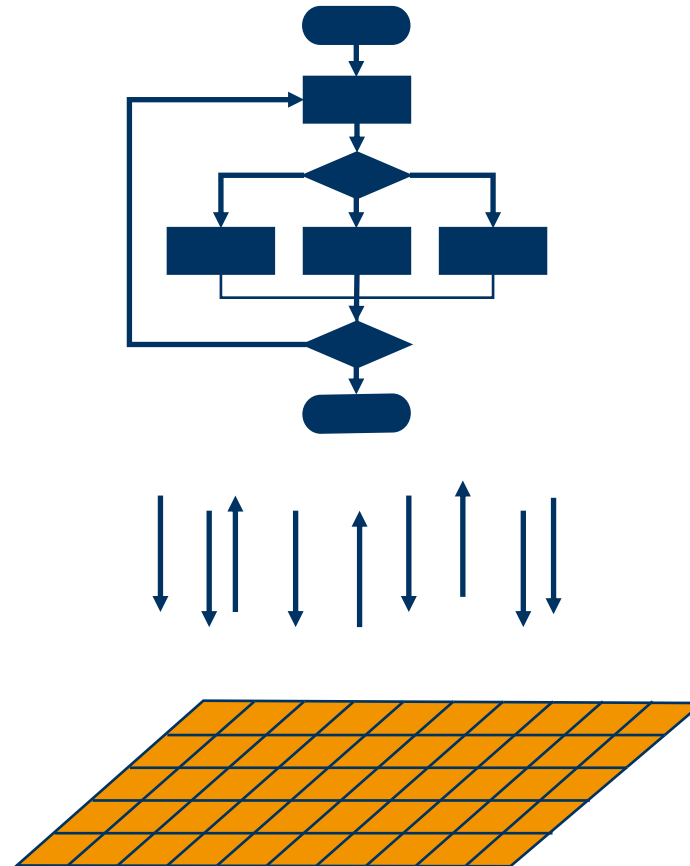


AllScale Vision



Serial Work and Data

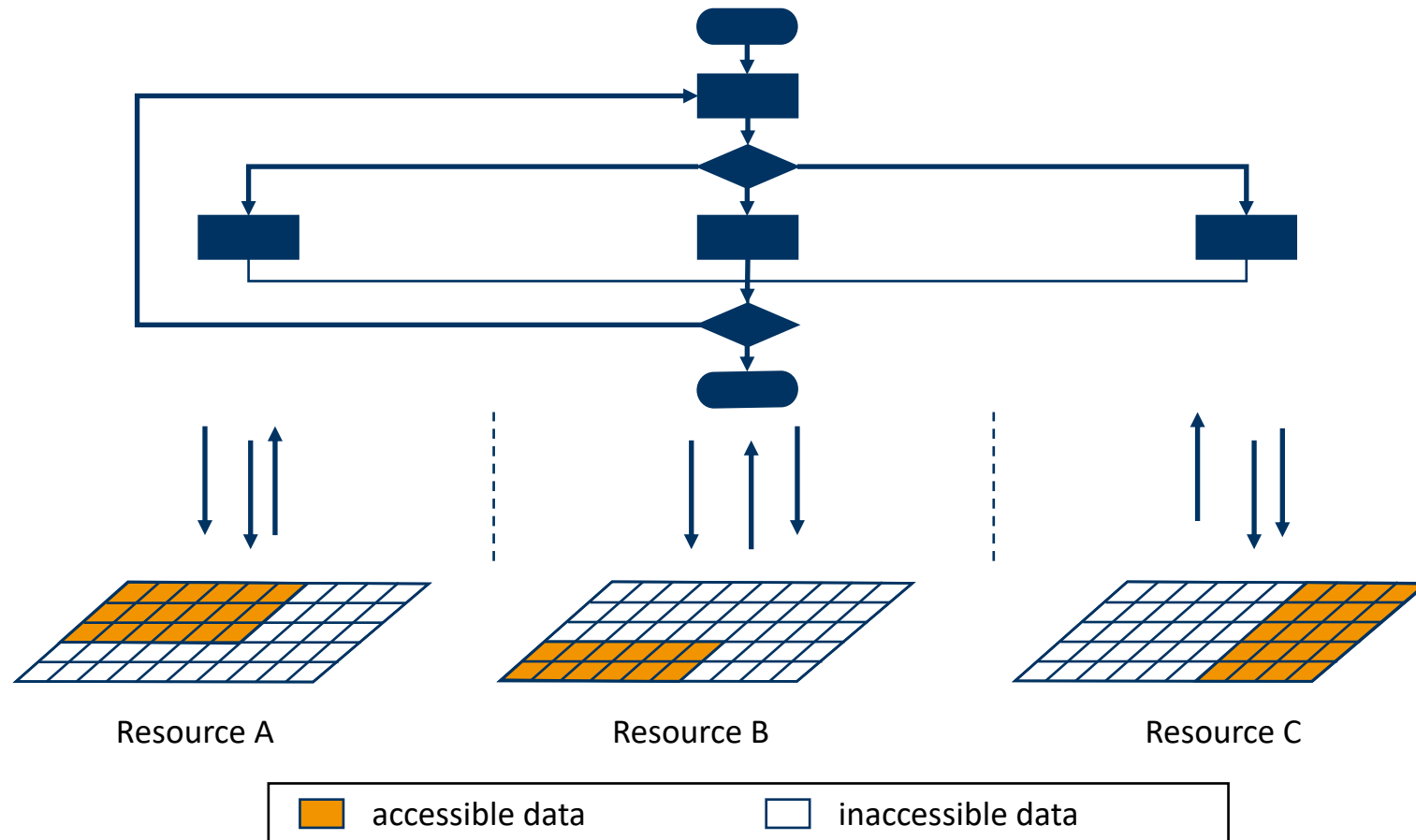
Algorithms
manipulate the
state of
data structures



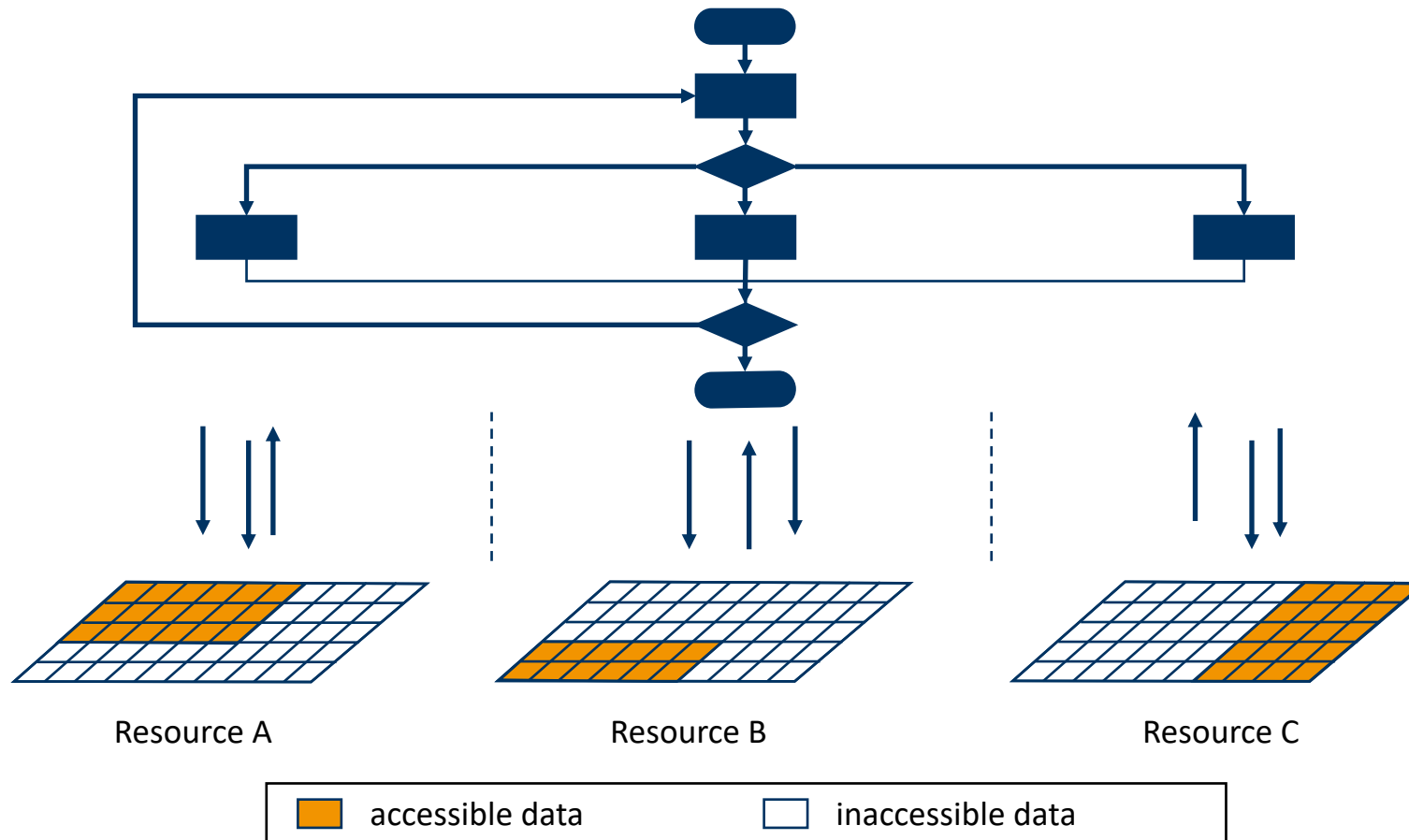
explicitly expressed
in program code

the **implicit** effect
of program code

Parallel Work and Data



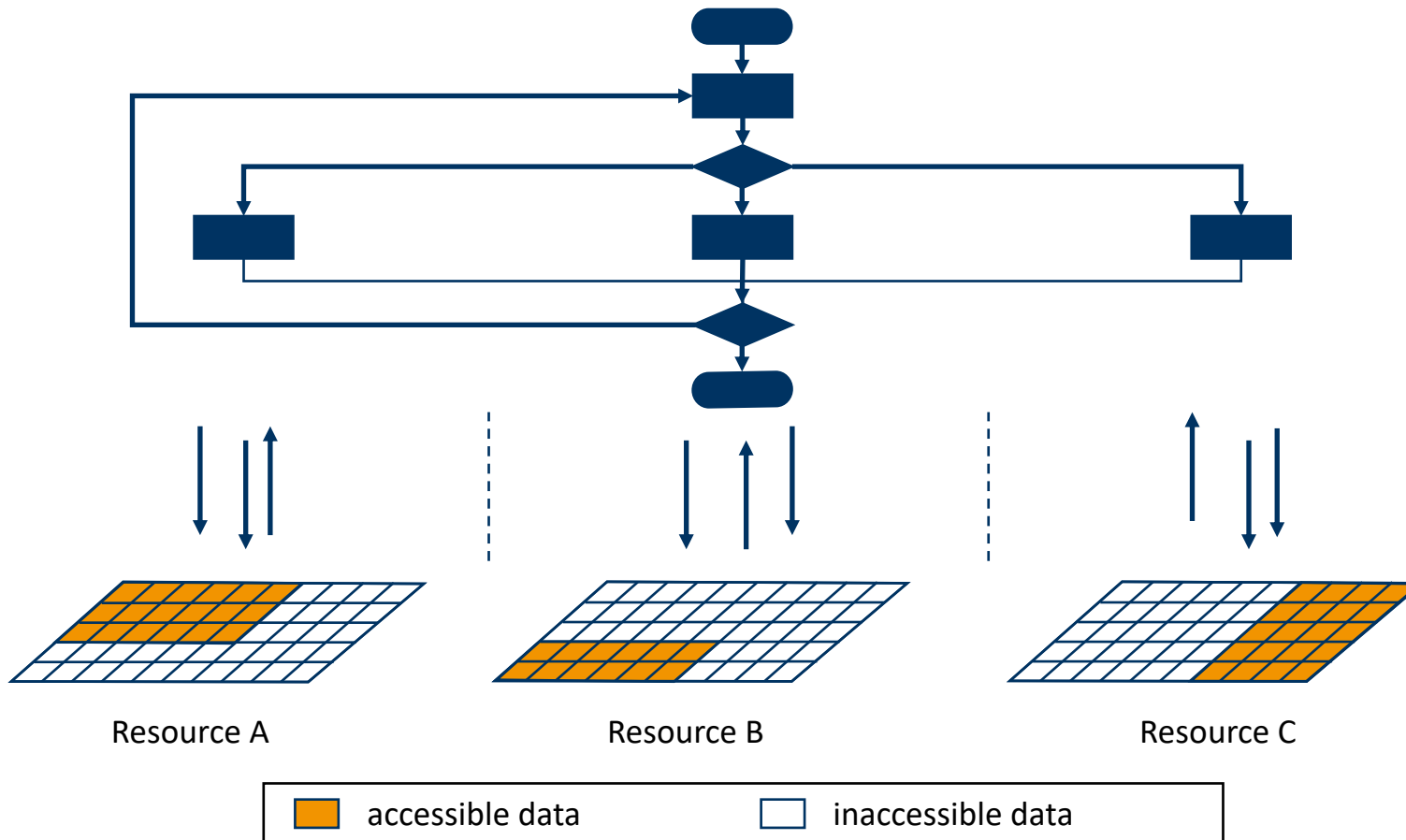
Parallel Work and Data



decomposition of **workload** is main focus of e.g. MPI, OpenMP, Cilk, OpenCL, CUDA,...

data structure decomposition and management **left to the user**

Parallel Work and Data



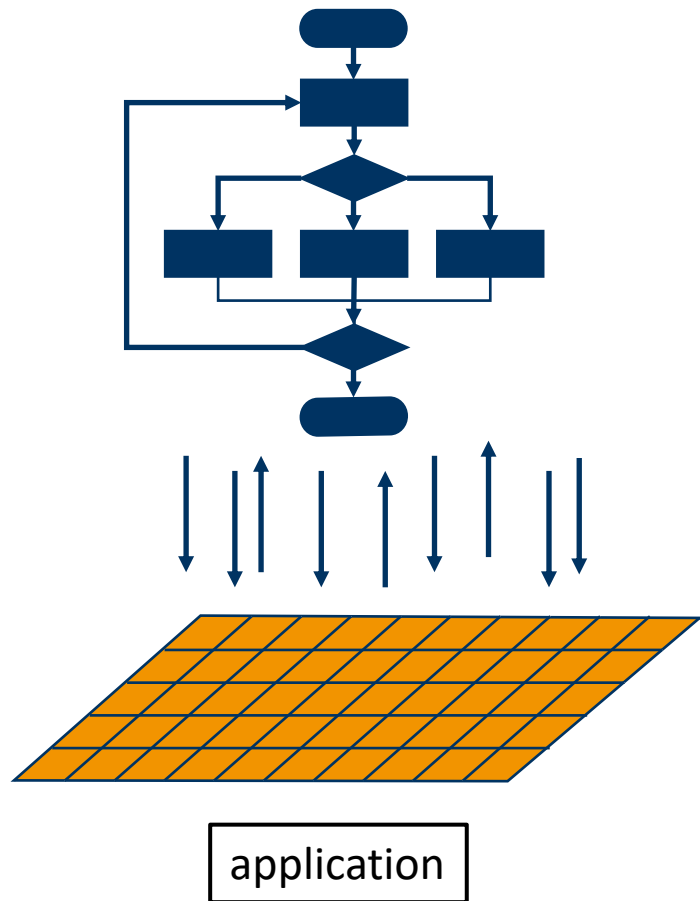
Desired:

advanced system features and services including

- performance **portability**
- inter-node **load balancing**
- **dynamic resource utilization**
- **resilience** to node failures

For those, **runtime systems** require **control** over **distribution of work and data**

AllScale's Approach



Operators:

- parallel loops
- parallel reduction
- map-reduce
- stencils
- V-cycles
- ...

Data Structures:

- multi-dimensional grids
- adaptive grids
- maps
- trees
- hierarchical meshes
- ...

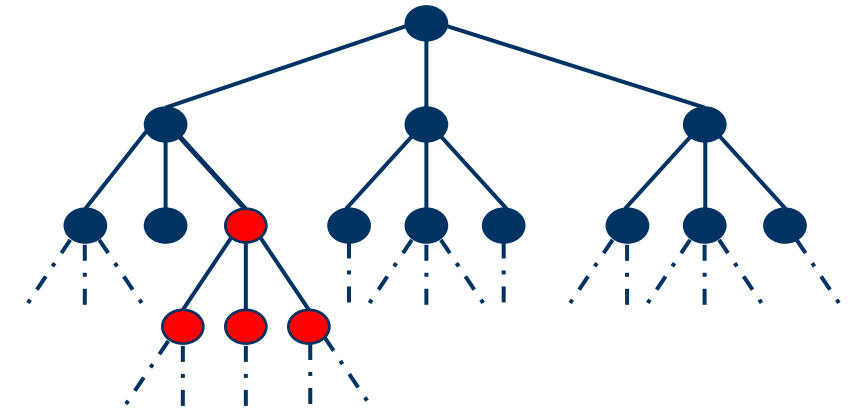
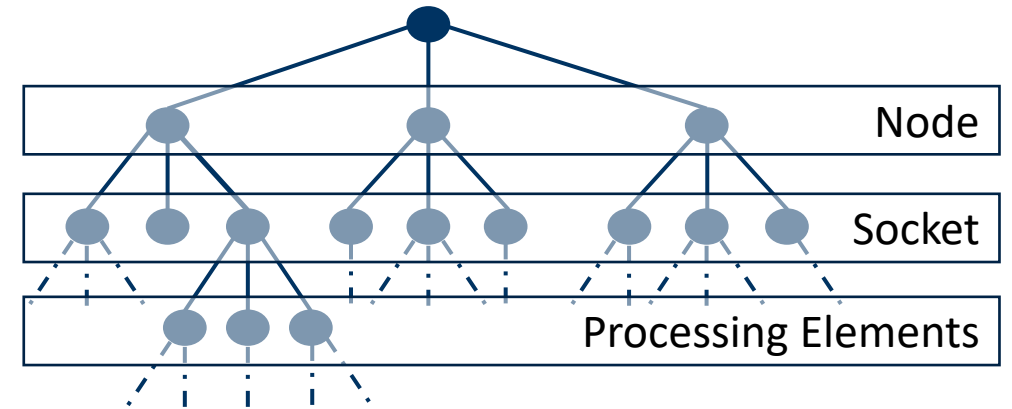
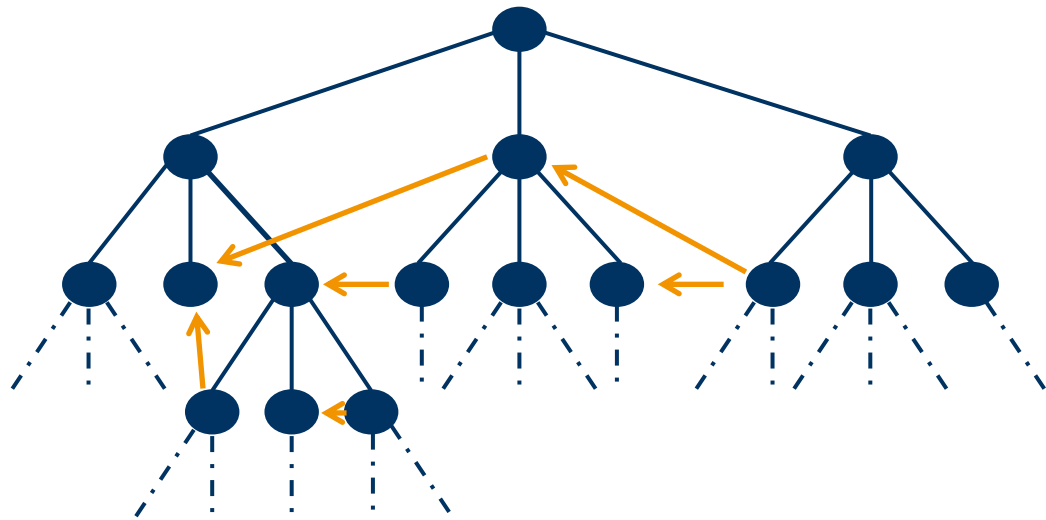
**higher order
parallel primitive**

**generalized
abstract
data structure**

**primitives for
parallel construct**

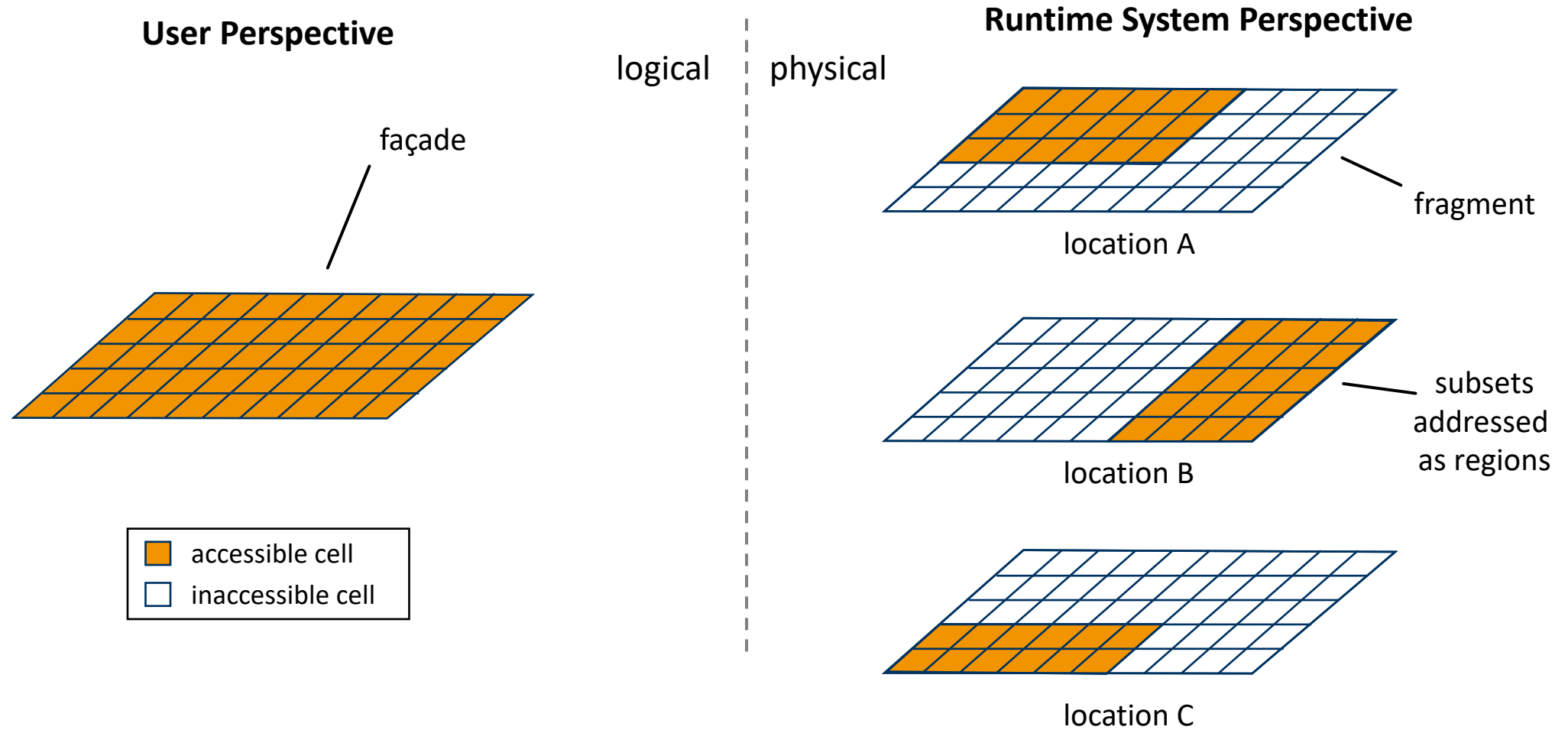
Work Flow Construct

- **prec** – a higher order function to
 - express recursive task-based parallelism
 - support fine-grained, hierarchical dependencies

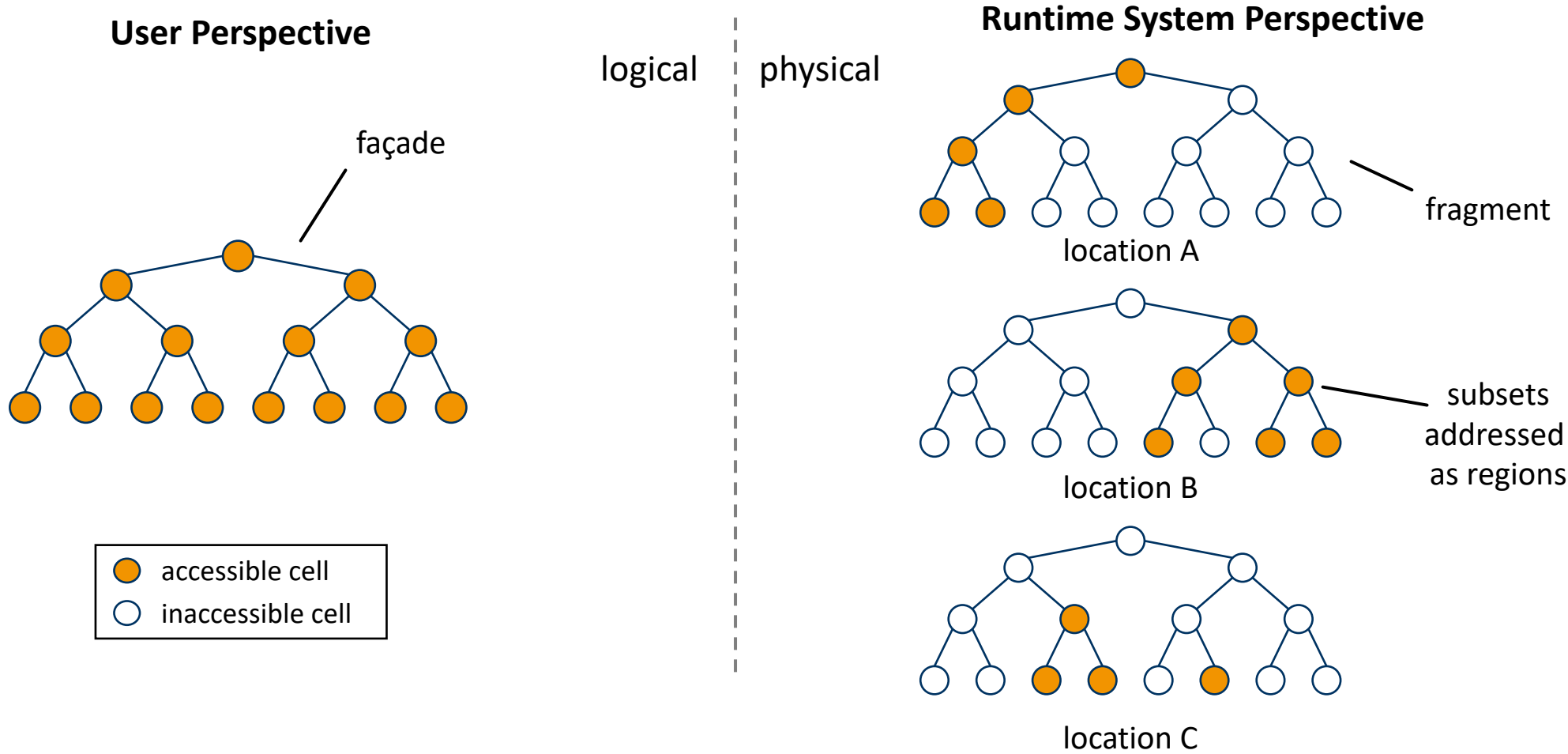


● ... recursive task — ... task hierarchy ← ... fine grained dependencies ● ... failed task

Data Items

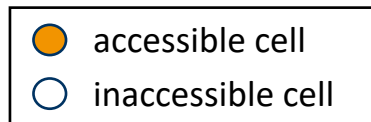
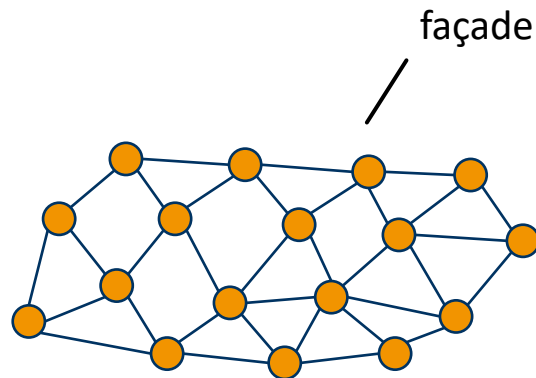


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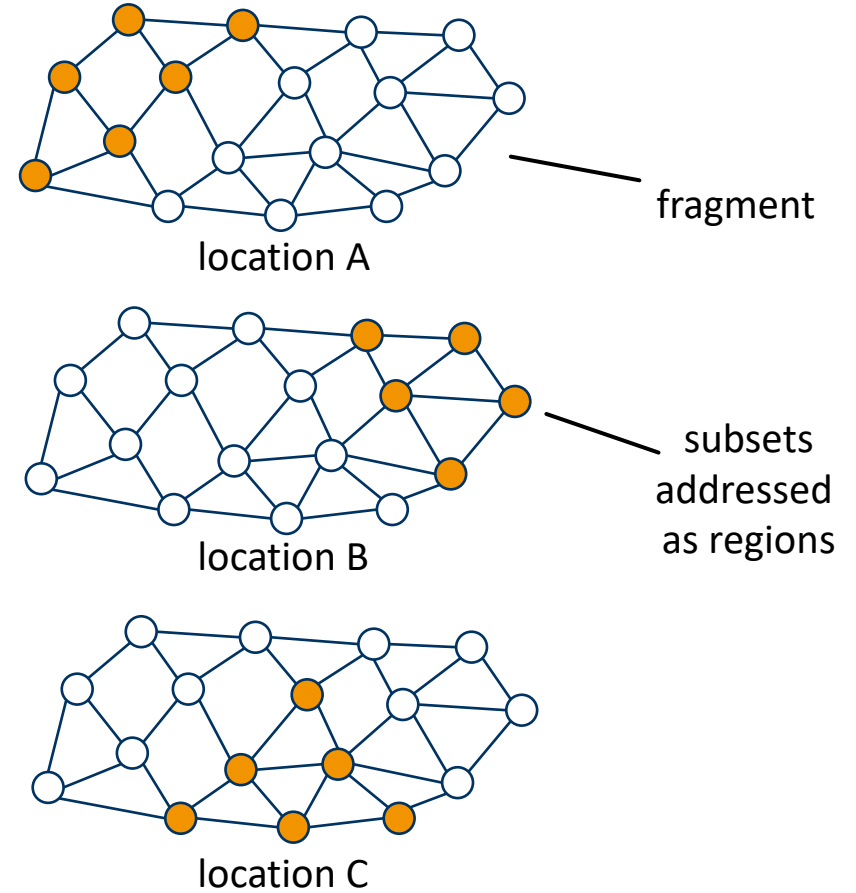
User Perspective



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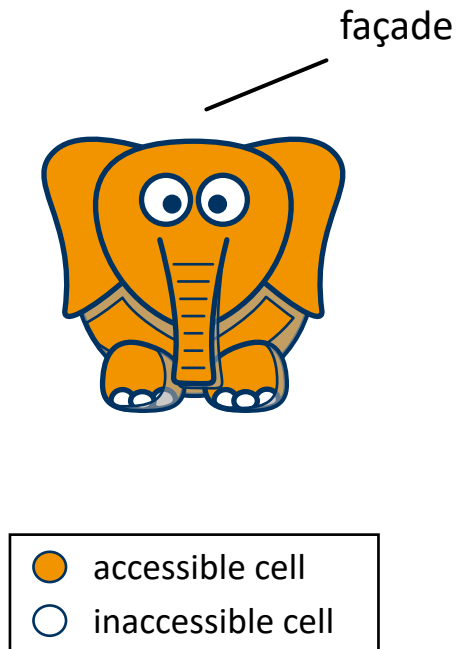
physical

Runtime System Perspective



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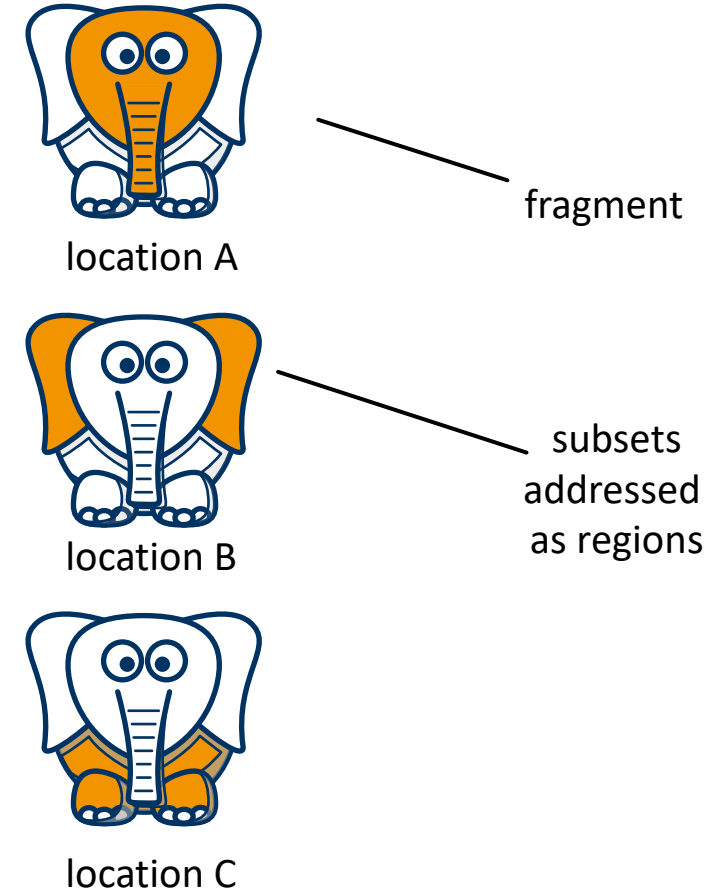
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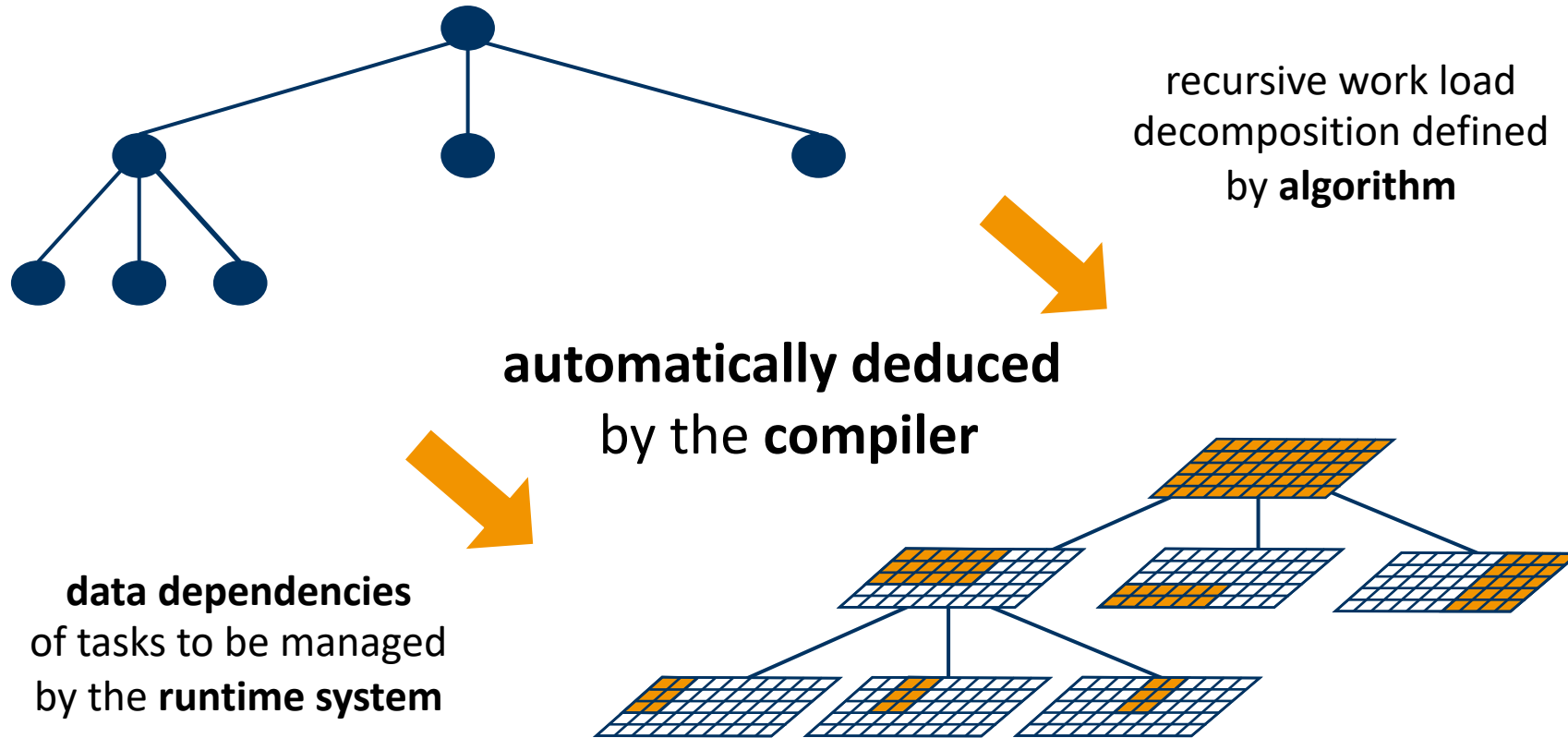
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Runtime System Perspective



Work and Data Link



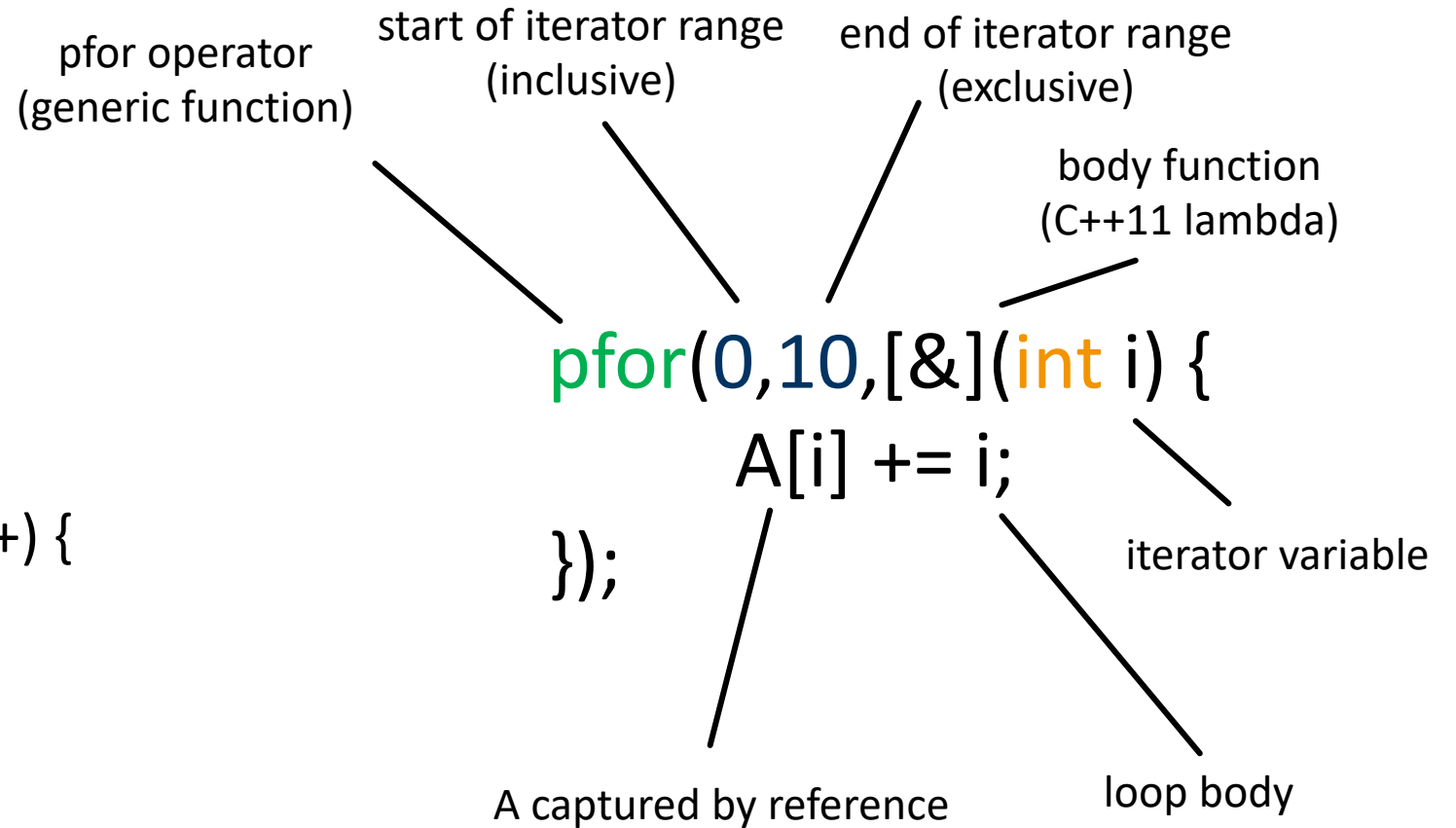
A Simple Loop

```
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
    A[i] += i;  
}
```

Increments the first 10 elements of array A with values 0-9.

A Simple Parallel Loop

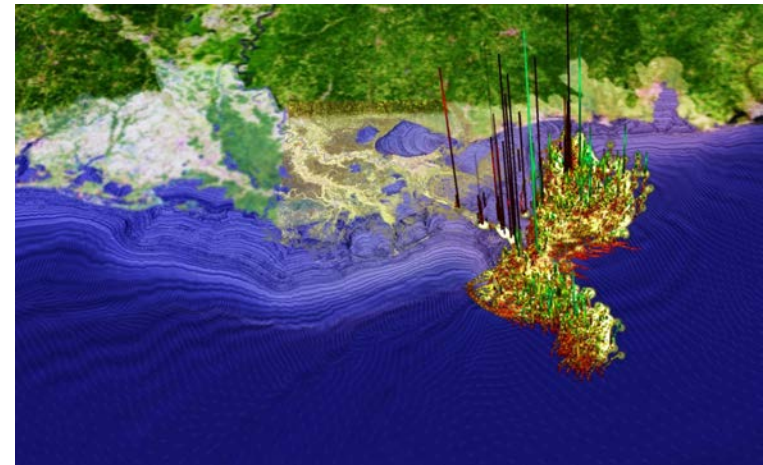
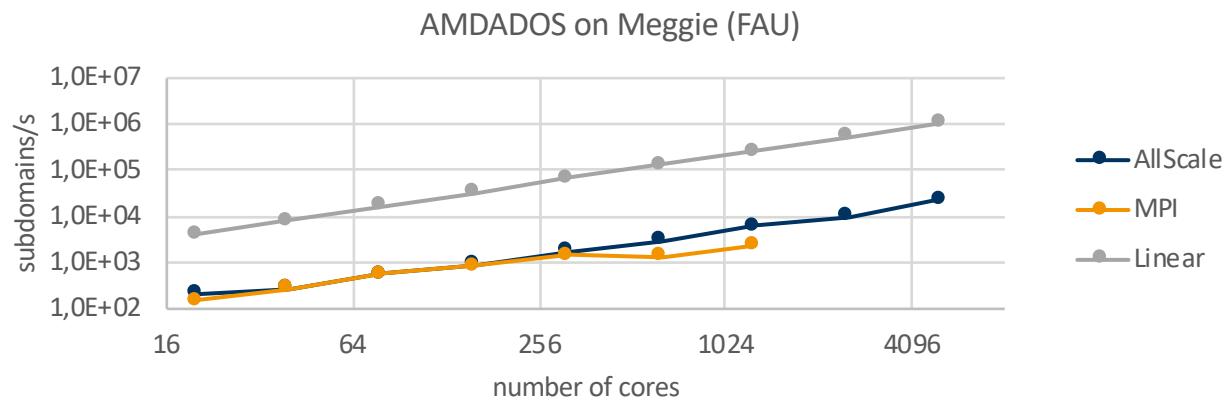
```
int rank, size;  
MPI_Com_rank(COM,&rank)  
MPI_Com_size(COM,&size)  
int p = 10/size;  
MPI_Scatter(A,...)  
for (int i = p*rank; i < p*rank+p; i++) {  
    A[i] += i;  
}  
MPI_Gather(A,...)
```



Increments the first 10 elements of array A with values 0-9 in parallel.

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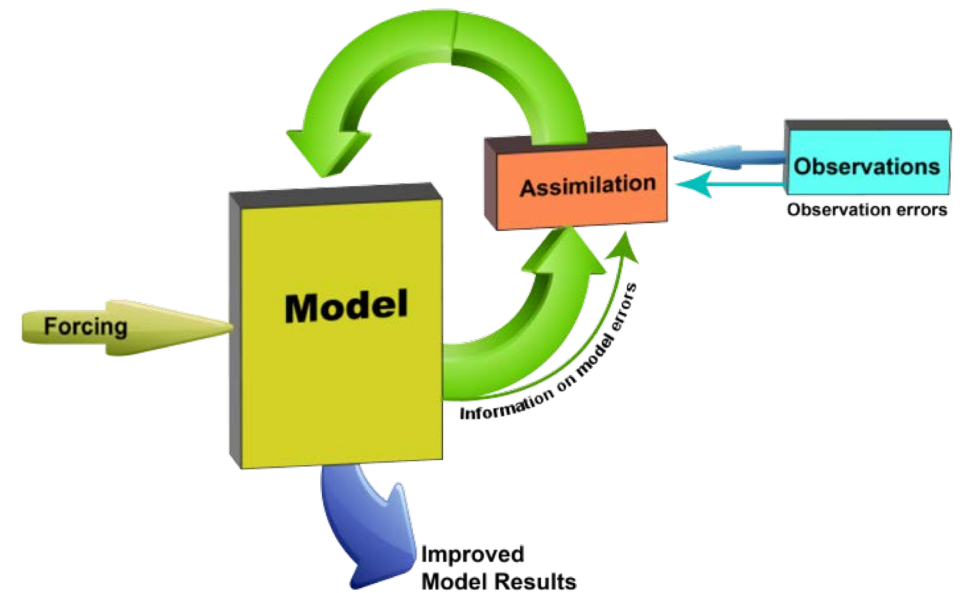
- FetHPC H2020 project AllScale (coordinator: Dept. of Computer Science, UIBK)
- Oil spill simulation, developed with IBM Ireland
- Stencil and kalman filter for assimilating sensor data
- AllScale exceeds performance of MPI reference implementation



Sources: <https://www.chemistryworld.com/features/oil-spill-cleanup/3008990.article>, Marcel Ritter (UIBK)

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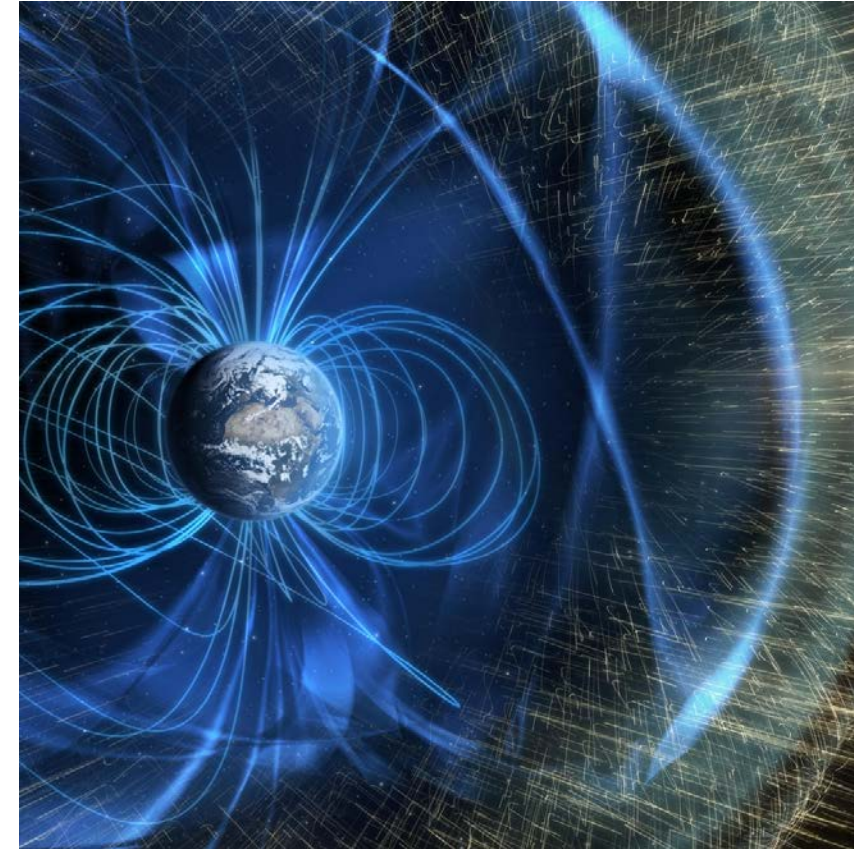
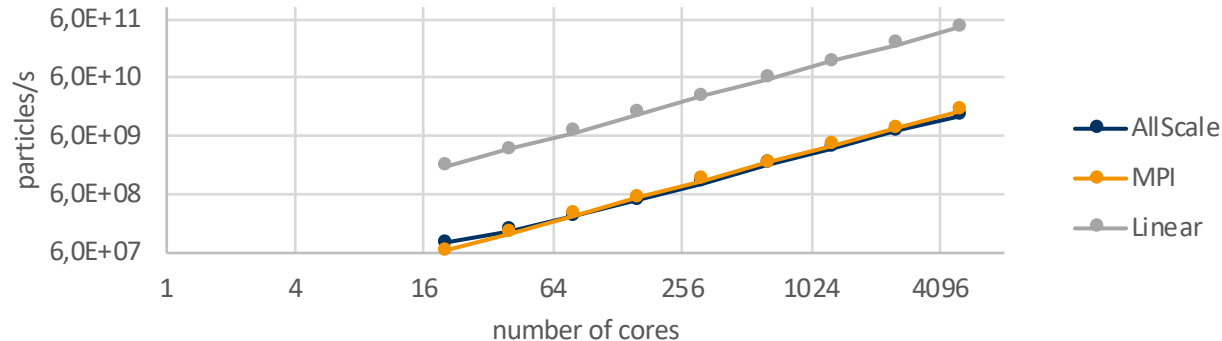
- Goal: simulate oil spill in real time using advection diffusion model with data assimilation
- Data assimilation introduces large load imbalance
 - Assimilation increases computational load by a factor in the order of 10^2
- Stencil operator + adaptive mesh data item
 - Spatio-temporal parallelization
 - Refinements at observations with 3 levels of refinement



iPiC3D

- FetHPC H2020 project AllScale (coordinator: Dept. of Computer Science, UIBK)
- Space weather prediction, developed with KTH Stockholm
- Particle-in-Cell simulation
- Productivity improvement compared to MPI reference implementation

iPiC3D on Meggie (FAU)



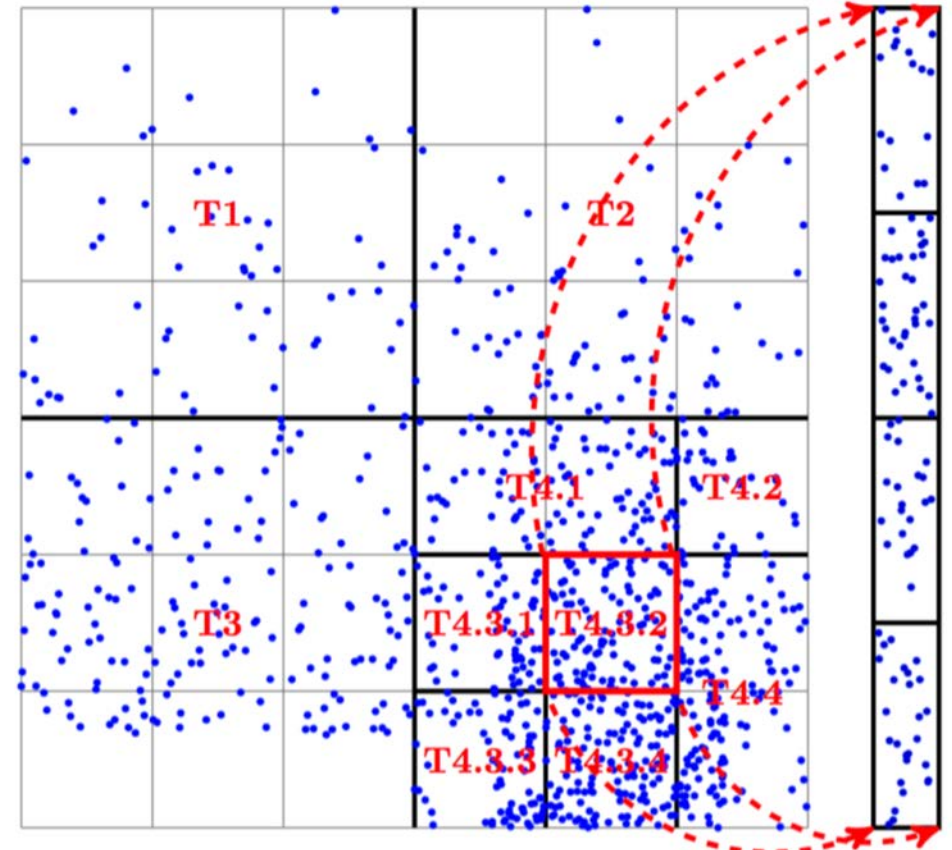
Source:

<https://twitter.com/maven2mars/status/9844440044659159040>

- Goal: Collision-less plasma simulation

$$\frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \frac{\partial f_s}{\partial \mathbf{x}} + \frac{q_s}{m_s} \left(\mathbf{E} + \frac{\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}}{c} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial f_s}{\partial \mathbf{v}} = 0$$

- Compute equation of motion for charged particles and solve Maxwell's equations in turns
- Highly dynamic load imbalance due to varying particle densities
- Nested pfor operators + multiple grids

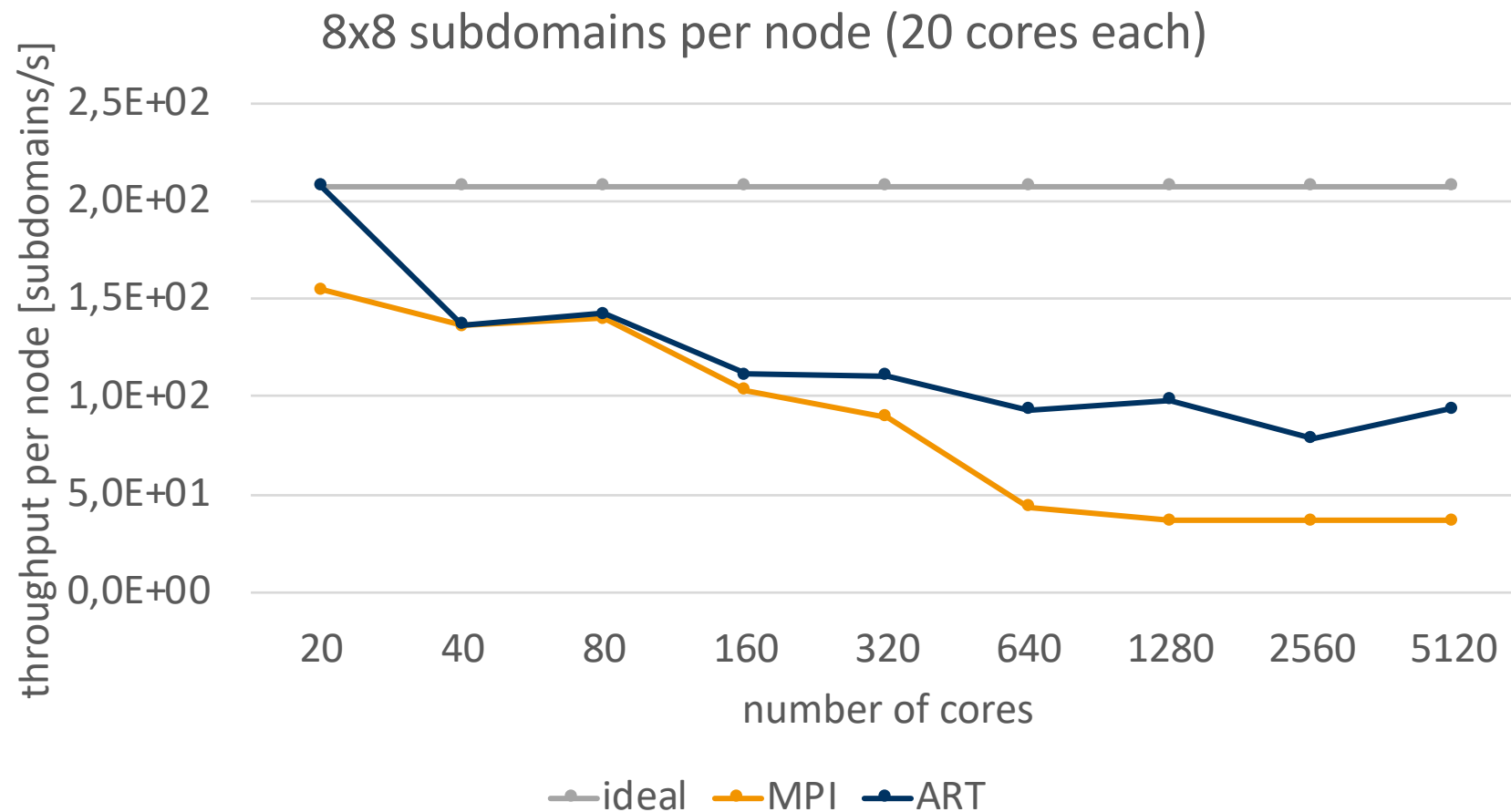


Experimental Target Systems

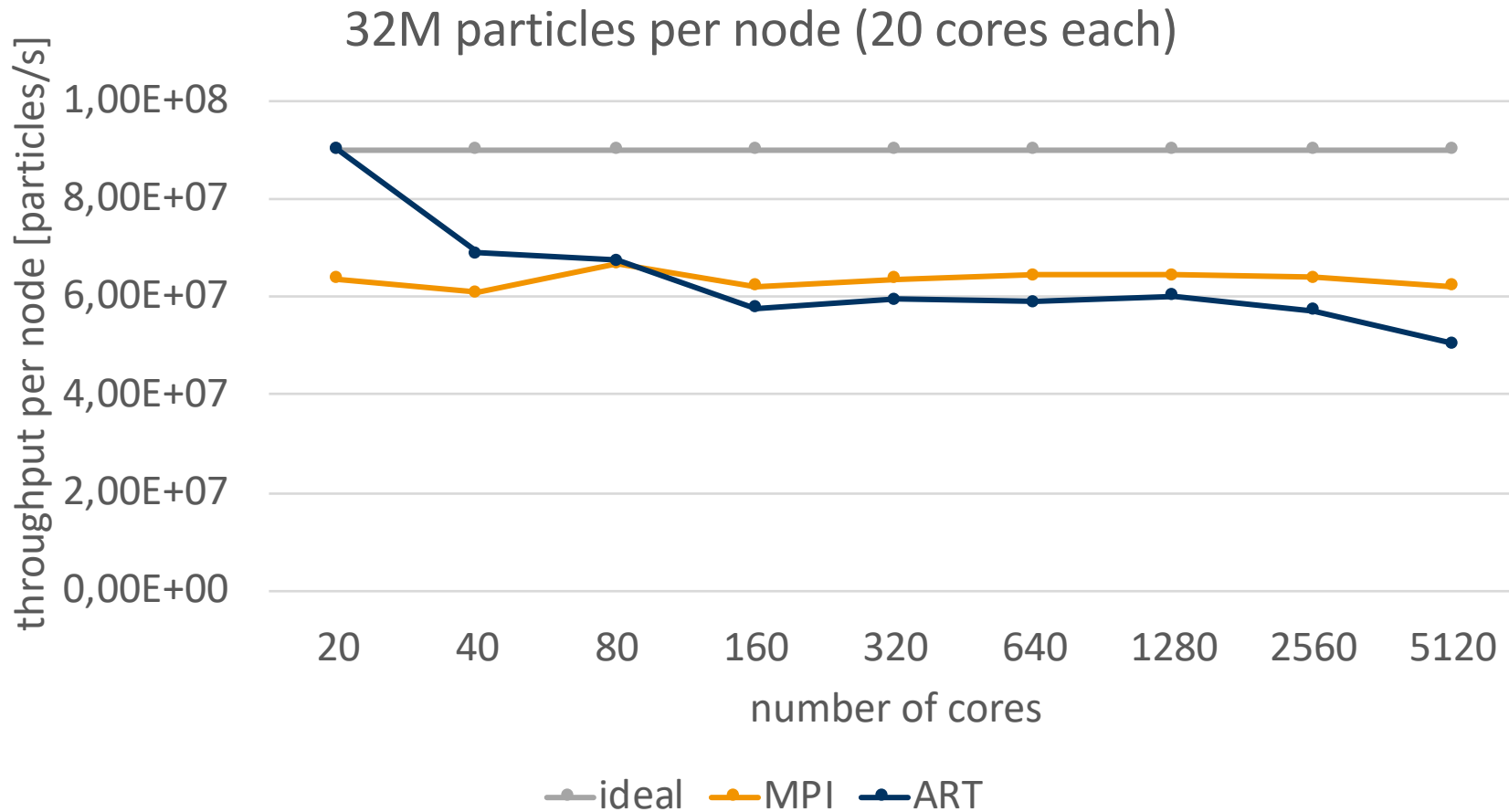
- Meggie (FAU)
 - 728 nodes
 - 2x Intel Xeon E5-2630 v4 (10 cores) each
 - 14,560 cores in total
 - Intel OmniPath
- VSC-3 (UIBK)
 - 2020 nodes
 - 2x Intel Xeon E5-2650 v2 (8 cores) each
 - 32,320 cores in total
 - QDR-80 dual-link InfiniBand



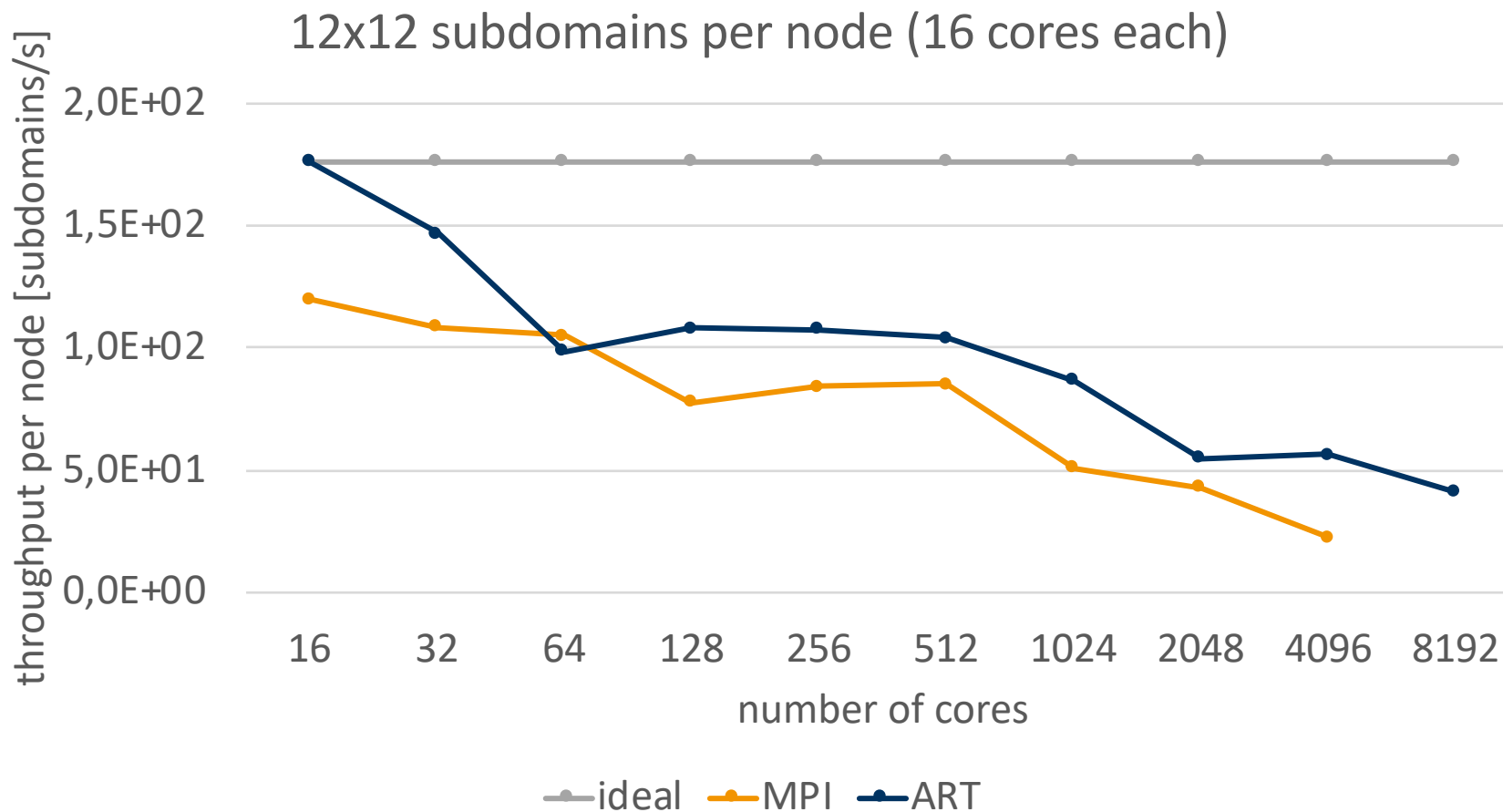
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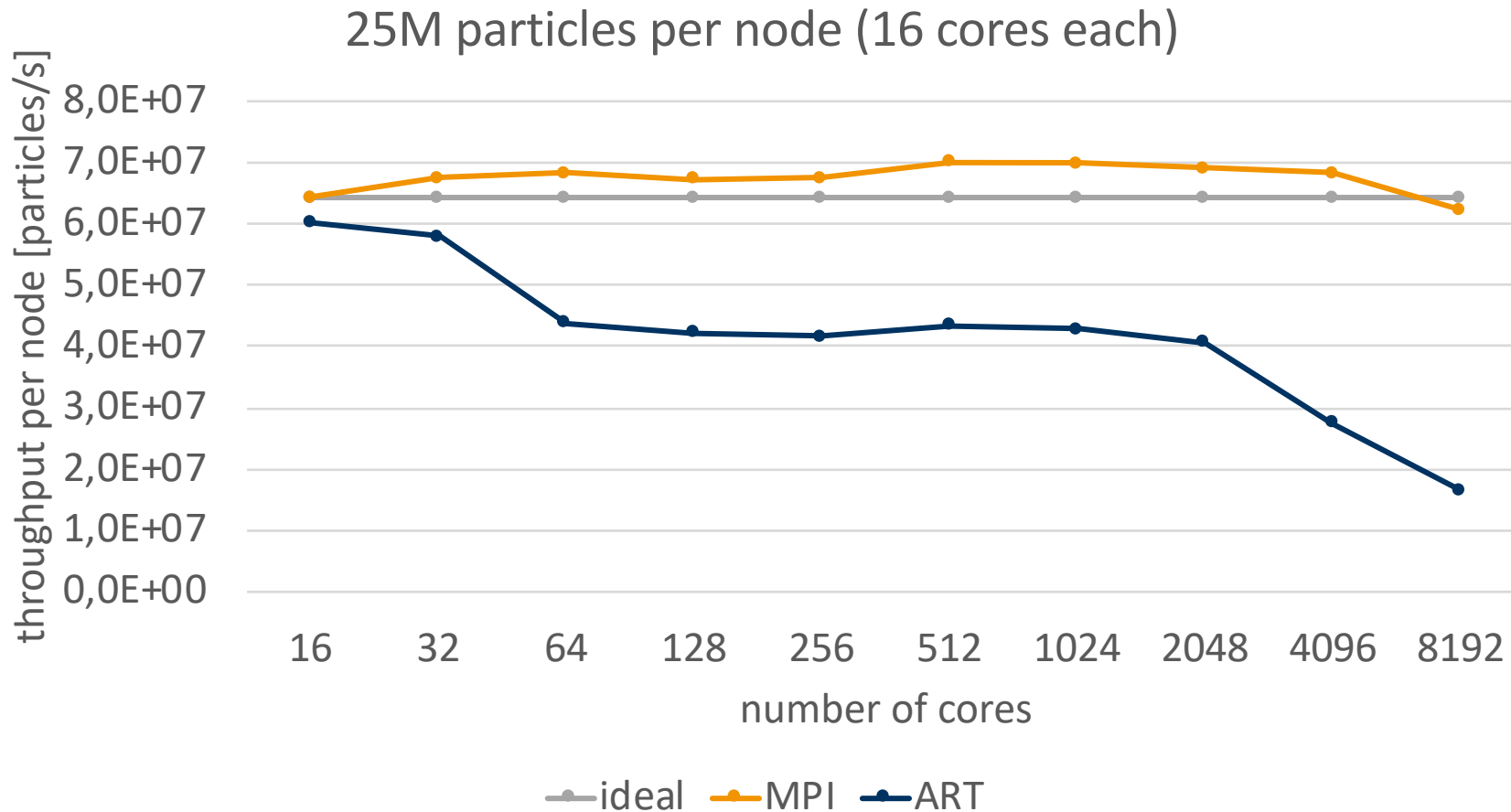
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AMDADOS on VSC-3



iPiC3D on VSC-3



Productivity Evaluation



Practical Experience: Benefits and Challenges

- Data management out of the box
 - No explicit communication and data management
 - Automated object serialization
 - Implicit intra- and inter-node load balancing
 - No need to deal with MPI+X
 - Preserve structure of mathematical equations
 - **Separation of concerns**
- Requires advanced C++ knowledge
 - Longer compile times (but once for multiple runs)
 - No support for external libraries that employ non-AllScale parallelism

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<https://github.com/allscale>
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