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Applying the GungHo Computational
Framework to Ocean Modelling

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GOcean Project Overview

- Investigate the feasibility of applying the GungHo approach to ocean modelling
- The GungHo Project is tackling atmospheric modelling and has adopted an unstructured mesh to work around the pole problem
- Ocean models can put the poles over land
⇒ can retain a latitude-longitude grid
- Extend the developing GungHo infrastructure to support lat-long grids
- NOC and STFC joint project: 1.4 FTEs
- NERC Technology Proof of Concept Fund

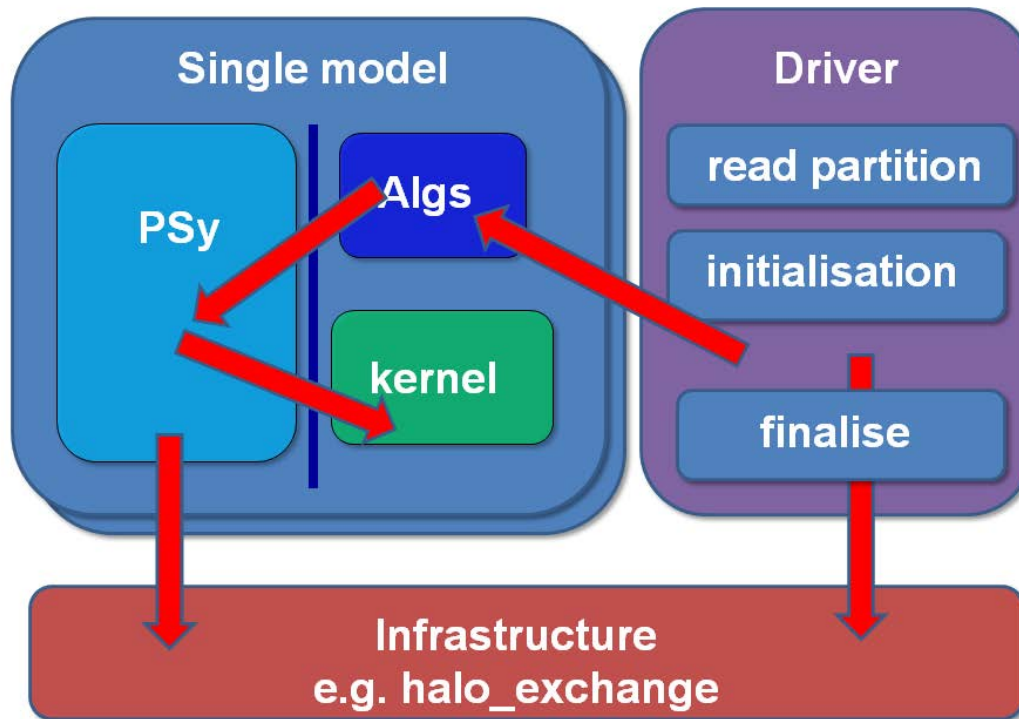


Support for finite difference in GungHo

- Could use GungHo indirect addressing model as-is
- Investigate extending GungHo to support direct addressing
 - Simpler, more intuitive kernels?
 - Better performance?



Separation of Concerns in GungHo



Separation of Concerns...

- Oceanographers writes the algorithm and kernel layers, following certain rules
- A code-generation system (PSyClone) generates the PSy middle layer
 - parses the Fortran code using fparser from the f2py project
 - glues the algorithm and kernels together
 - incorporates all code related to parallelism



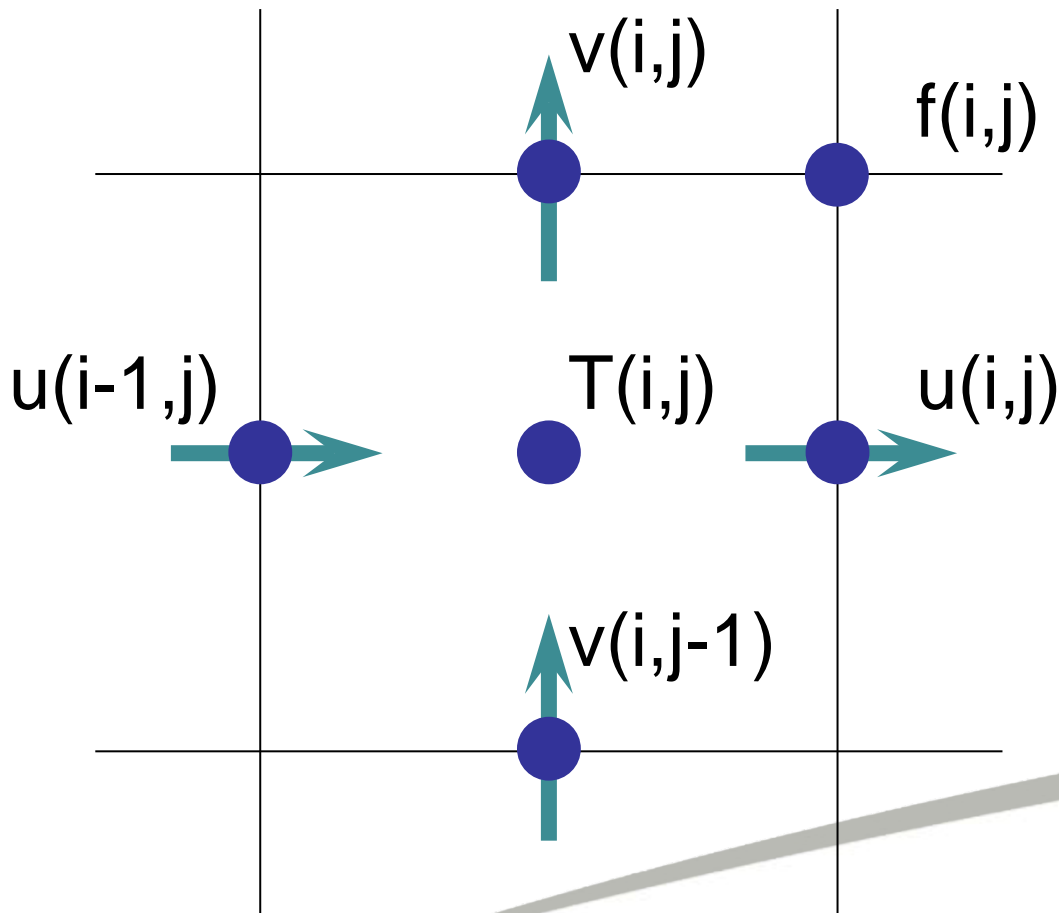
Two Test Codes for Gocean...

- GOcean project is applying GungHo approach to two codes:
 - ‘shallow:’ originally written by Swarztrauber, NCAR
 - ‘Gocean2D:’ 2D, free surface extracted from NEMO
- Both use Finite Differences on an Arakawa C grid
- But there are important differences:
 - Boundary conditions
 - Indexing of variables
- Understanding and expressing these differences is essential for correct code generation



Placing variables...

- Variable placement for the Arakawa C-grid with NEMO indexing convention:



T : scalars (density, salinity etc.)

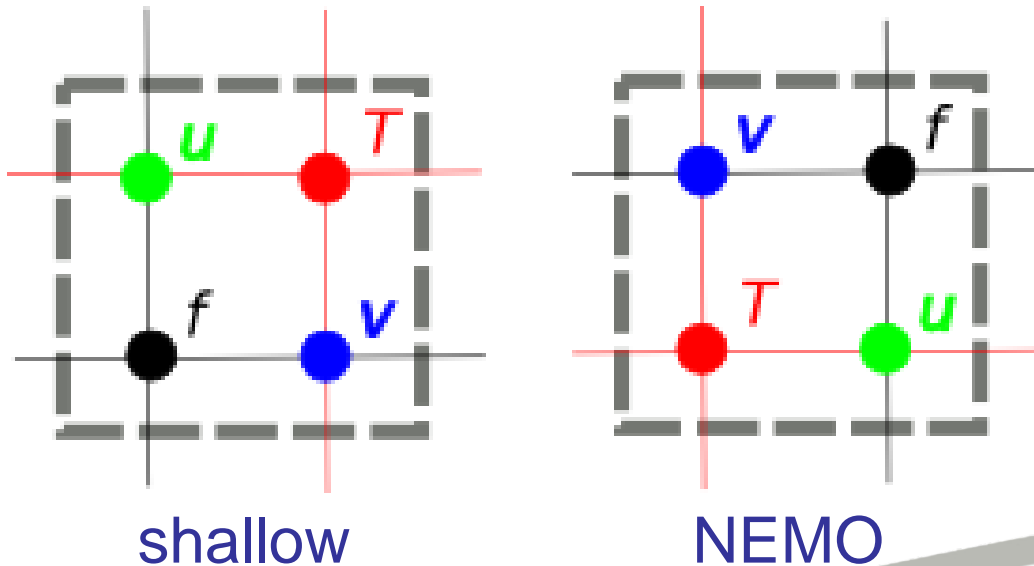
u, v : velocity components

f : vorticity



Indexing choice...

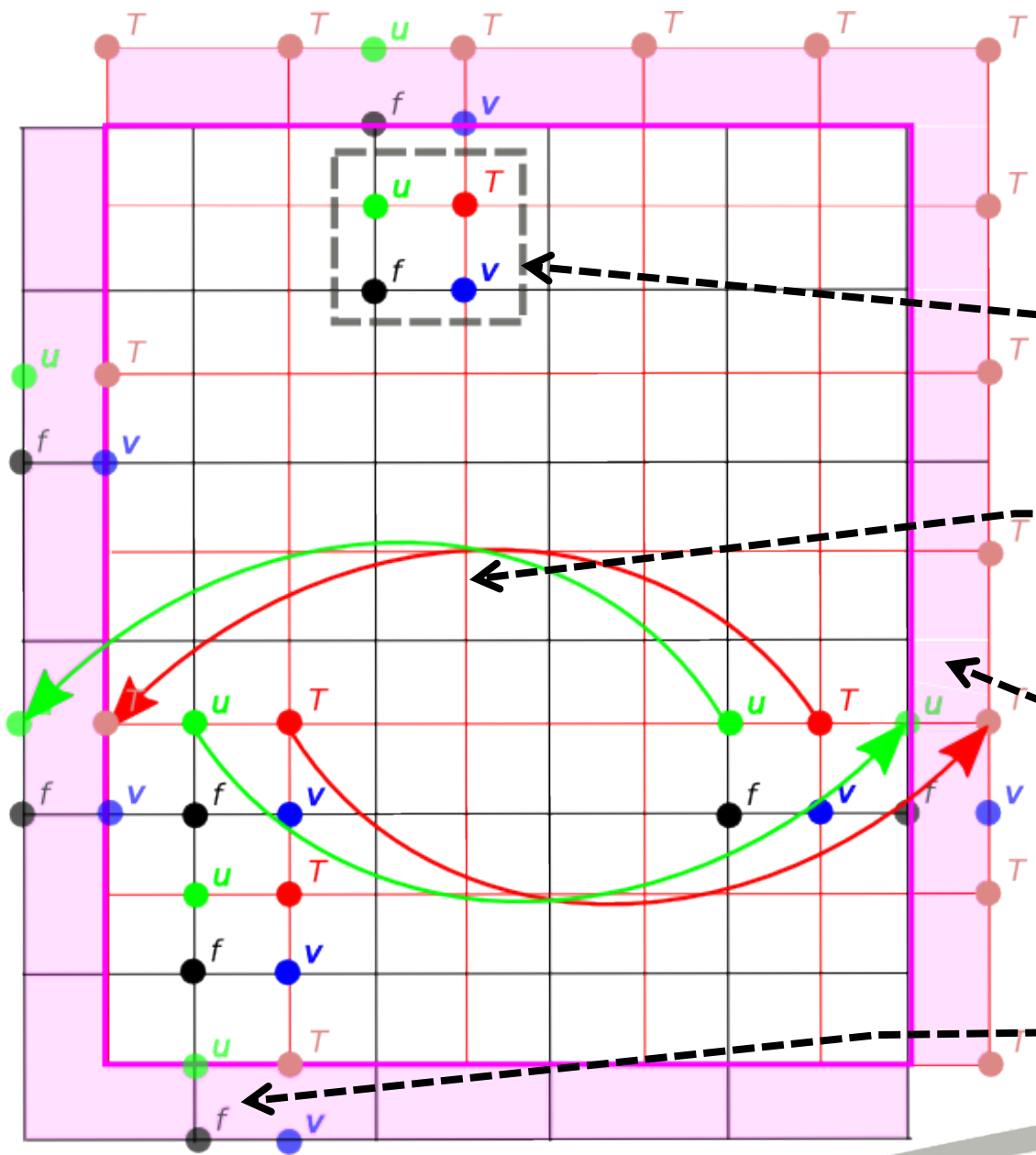
- A developer can choose how the different grid-point types are indexed relative to T
- **shallow** defines {u,v,f} points to the South and West of the T point to have same (i,j) index while **NEMO** uses those to the North and East:



We call this choice the 'indexing' of the grids



shallow: SW indexing with Periodic Boundaries



Grid points with same (i,j)

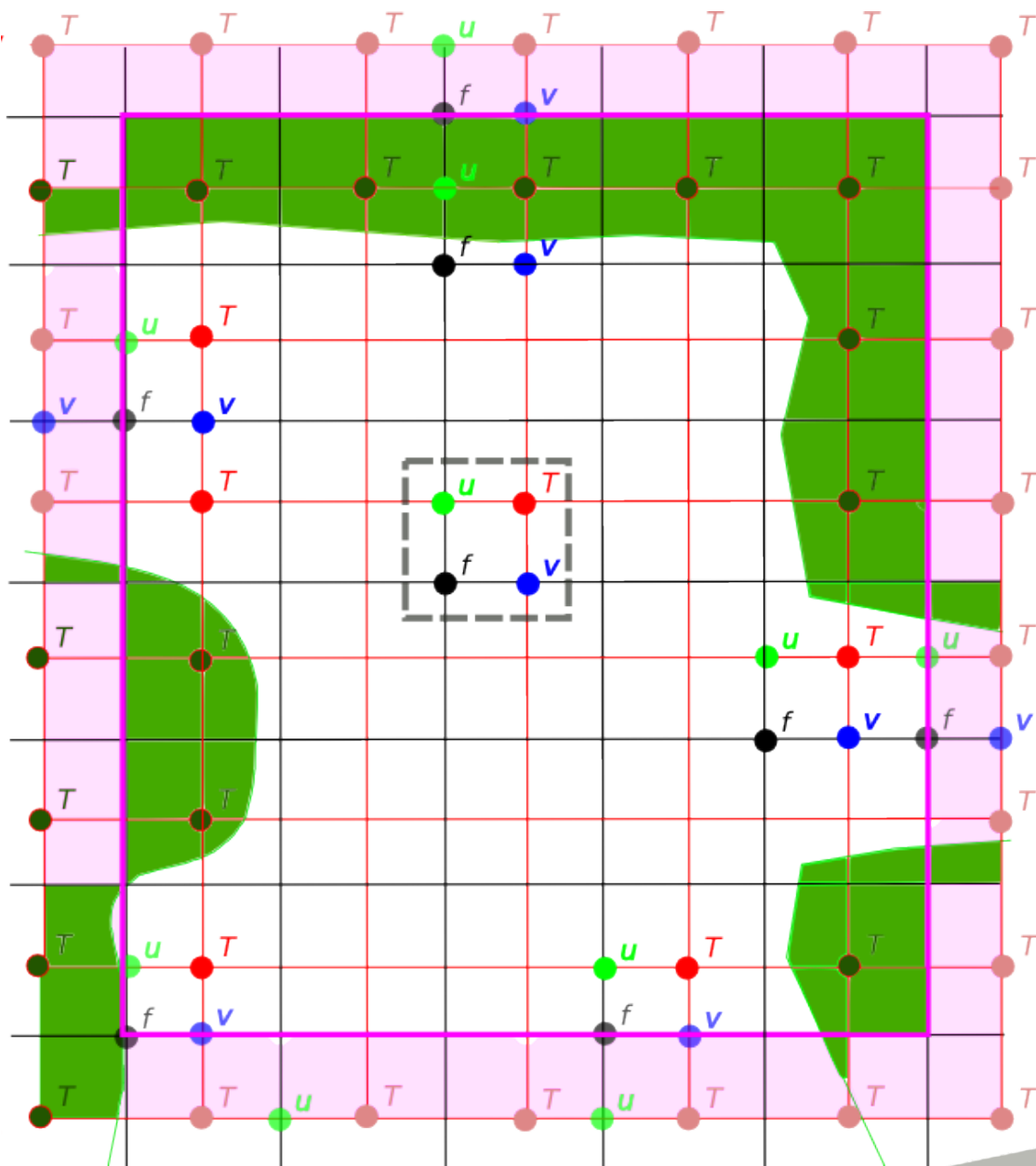
Data movement for periodic BC update

Boundary regions

External/boundary grid points

shallow: SW indexing with open and closed boundaries

- User defines domain in terms of T points
- Definition *includes* the boundary points
- Serial implementation doesn't need halos



PSyKAI-fication...

Original shallow-water code, e.g.:

```
DO ncycle=1,itmax    ! Time-stepping loop
! COMPUTE CAPITAL U, CAPITAL V, Z AND H
DO J=1,N
  DO I=1,M
    CU(I+1,J) = &
      .5*(P(I+1,J)+P(I,J))*U(I+1,J)
    CV(I,J+1) = &
      .5*(P(I,J+1)+P(I,J))*V(I,J+1)
    ...
  END DO
END DO
```



Re-structure following GungHo rules

Time-stepping loop at algorithm level becomes....

```
! ** Start of time loop **  
DO ncycle=1,itmax  
  ! COMPUTE CAPITAL U, CAPITAL V, Z, H  
  call invoke(compute_cu_type(CU, P, U), &  
             compute_cv_type(CV, P, V), &  
             compute_z_type(z, P, U, V), &  
             compute_h_type(h, P, U, V) )
```

a 'block' of code carrying out a specific function is replaced by 'call invoke' with four objects



Construct point-wise kernels, e.g.:

```
SUBROUTINE compute_cu_code(i, j, &
                           cu, p, u)
    INTEGER, INTENT(in) :: i, j
    REAL(wp), INTENT(in) :: p(:, :), u(:, :)
    REAL(wp), INTENT(inout) :: cu(:, :)
    CU(I, J) = .5 * (P(I, J) + P(I-1, J)) * U(I, J)
END SUBROUTINE compute_cu_code
```

the kernel is expressed
as a simple one-point
calculation on (i,j)



PSyclone generated code 1

```
PROGRAM shallow
  USE psy_shallow, ONLY: invoke_0
  ...
  ! ** Start of time loop **
  DO ncycle=1,itmax

      ! COMPUTE CAPITAL U, CAPITAL V, Z, H
      CALL invoke_0(cu, p, u, cv, v, z, h)
```

the algorithm layer
remains mostly
unchanged with a
simple call to the PSy



PSyclone generated code 2

```
SUBROUTINE invoke_0(cu_1,p,u,cv_1,v,z,h)
  USE compute_cv_mod, ONLY: compute_cv_code
  USE compute_cu_mod, ONLY: compute_cu_code
  USE topology_mod,    ONLY: cu, cv

  REAL,intent(inout),dimension(:, :) :: cu_1,p,u,cv_1,v,z,h
  DO i=cu%istart,cu%istop
    DO j=cu%jstart,cu%jstop
      CALL compute_cu_code(i, j, cu_1, p, u)
    END DO
  END DO
  DO i=cv%istart,cv%istop
    DO j=cv%jstart,cv%jstop
      CALL compute_cv_code(i, j, cv_1, p, v) ...
```

loop ranges express
DM sub-domains
and/or tiling

calls to kernels can
be readily inlined by
the compiler



But what about performance?

Some initial timings for 2000 time steps of 128x128 domain on a single core:

Compiler:	Gnu 4.8.2	Intel 14.0.0	Cray 8.2.6	Intel 14.0.1
CPU:	Xeon E5-1620 v3, 3.7 GHz (Haswell)	Xeon E5-1620 v3, 3.7 GHz (Haswell)	Xeon E5-2697, 2.7 GHz (Ivy Bridge)	Xeon E5-2697, 2.7 GHz (Ivy Bridge)
Original*:	0.38	0.37	0.32	0.41
Manual†:	3.1	0.62	0.53	0.66
Generated‡:	6.4	0.61	0.53	0.65

* Unmodified shallow code

† Manual PSyKAI version

‡ Generated PSyKAI version



- Initial performance results encouraging...
- Re-structuring has 'only' slowed-down the code by 60-70%
 - (Apart from Gnu compiler where is 10x slower)
- Slow-down primarily due to splitting-up loops that are fused in original version:

```

DO  J=1 ,N
  DO  I=1 ,M
    CU(I+1 ,J) = .5*( P(I+1 ,J)+P(I ,J) ) *U(I+1 ,J)
    CV(I ,J+1) = .5*( P(I ,J+1)+P(I ,J) ) *V(I ,J+1)
    Z(I+1 ,J+1)=(FSDX*( V(I+1 ,J+1)-V(I ,J+1) )-...
    H(I ,J) = P(I ,J)+.25*( U(I+1 ,J) *U(I+1 ,J) +...
  END DO
END DO

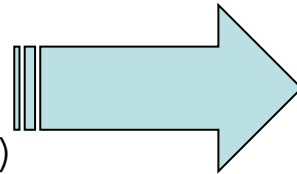
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Code generation to the rescue...

- PScyclone currently has rudimentary support for loop-fusion (and the addition of OpenMP)
- e.g. for the time-smoothing section of the code where all 3 loops have same bounds:

```
DO j=1,SIZE(uold,2)
  DO i=1,SIZE(uold,1)
    CALL tsmooth_code(i,j,u...)
  DO i=1,SIZE(vold,1)
    DO j=1,SIZE(vold,2)
      CALL tsmooth_code(i,j,v...)
  DO i=1,SIZE(pold,1)
    DO j=1,SIZE(pold,2)
      CALL tsmooth_code(i,j,p...)
```

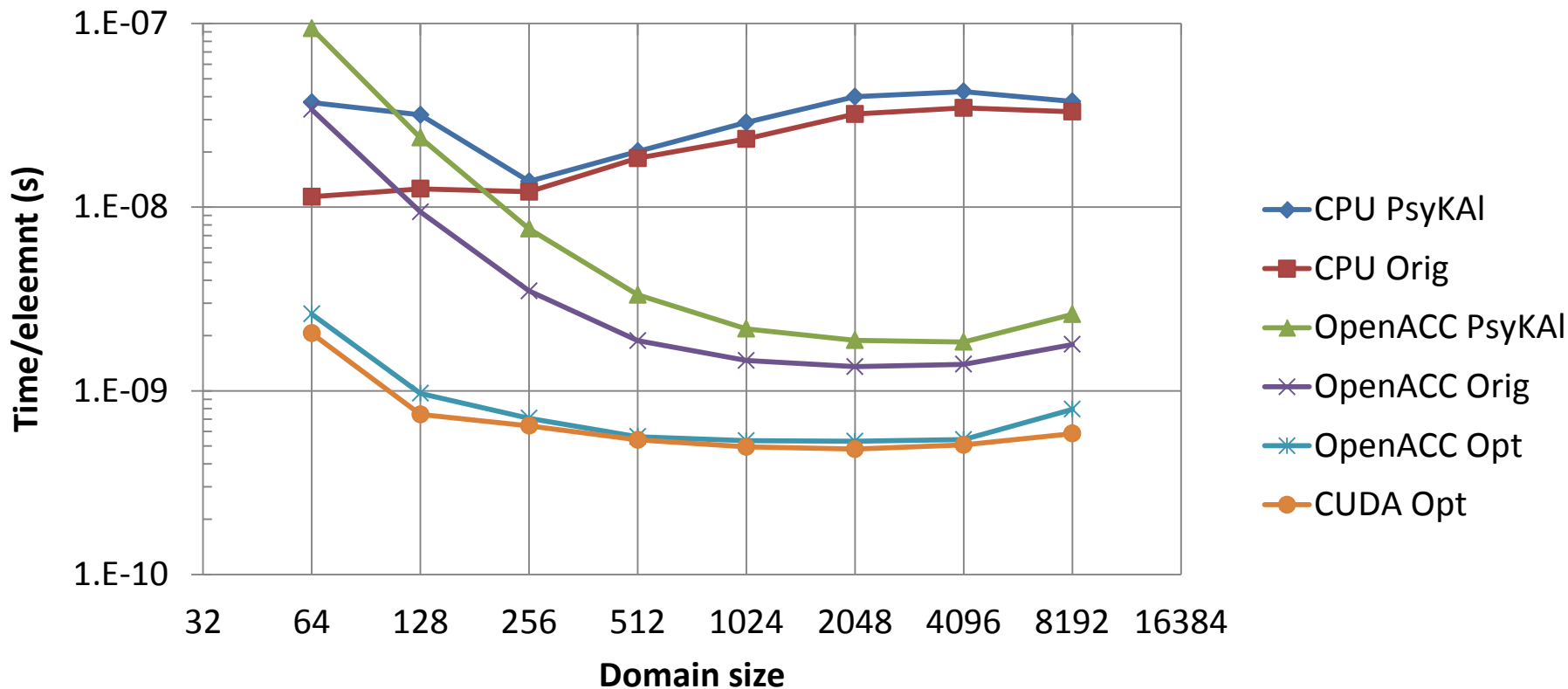


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DO j=1, SIZE(uold, 2)
  DO i=1, SIZE(uold, 1)
    CALL tsmooth_code(i,j,u...)
    CALL tsmooth_code(i,j,v...)
    CALL tsmooth_code(i,j,p...)
  END DO
END DO
```



PSyKAI-ised code on GPUs

Shallow code per-element timing



from Jeremy Appleyard, NVIDIA

GPU: NVIDIA Kepler K40, ECC on, Boost max.
CPU: Intel Xeon CPU E5-2650 v2 @ 2.60GHz



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Next steps...

- Supply vendors with original and PSyKAI-ised versions and let them optimise
 - Use lessons learned to improve PSyclone
 - Started already with NVIDIA
- PSyclone development
 - Continue work on Loop Fusion and OpenMP transforms
 - Add OpenACC transforms
- Three dimensions
 - Current test cases are two-dimensional.
 - Full models are a mixture of 2D and 3D...



Summary I

- Separation of Concerns: A practical approach to marrying the requirements of oceanographers with the requirements for performance in the run up to Exascale
- Introduces flexibility needed to achieve performance on different architectures
 - e.g. potentially enables index ordering to be swapped depending on target hardware
- Very dependent on middle layer to retrieve the performance that we've thrown out



Summary II

- Framework now supports two distinct shallow-water models as well as FE for GungHo
- Basic code generation is working
 - Support for loop fusion and OpenMP transformations
- Performance
 - Working in collaboration with hardware vendors to understand what loses us performance and how to regain it



Thank you!



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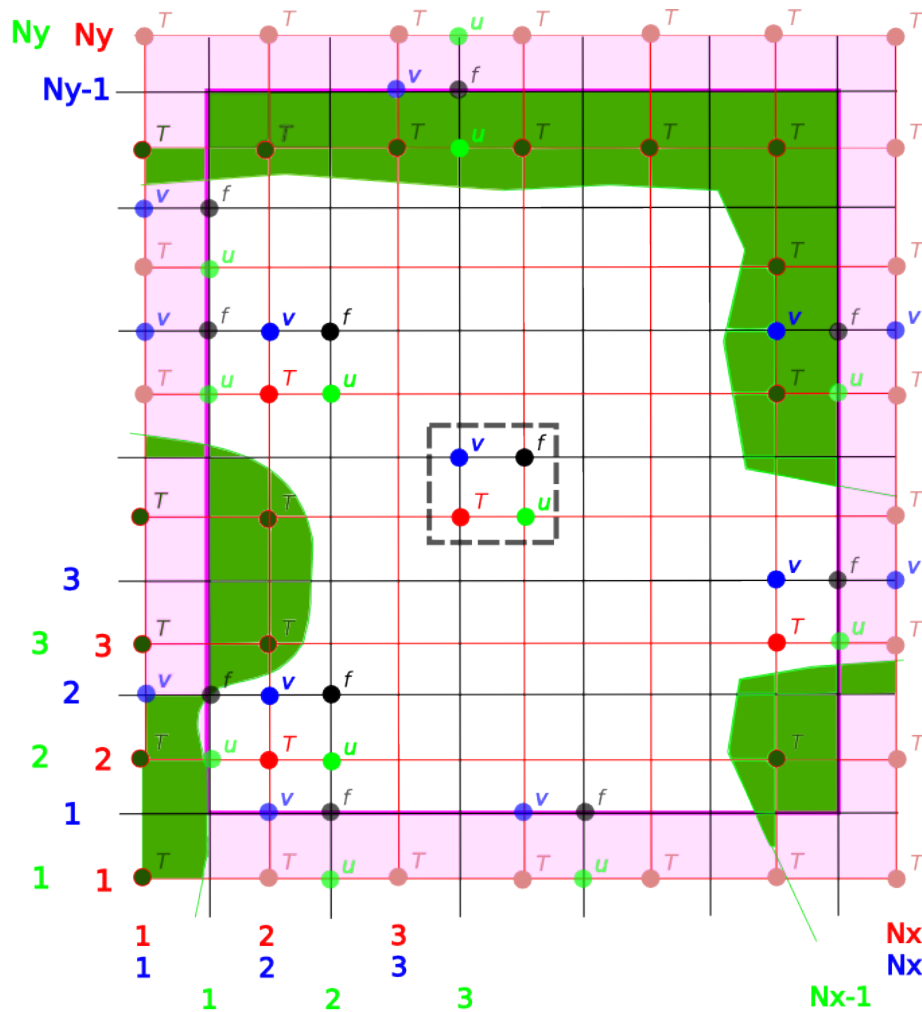
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Extras...



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NEMO: NE indexing with in-place boundary conditions



Model domain

Boundary region

T T-point outside domain

V V-point inside domain

T T-point inside domain

V Boundary V-point

T Land point

Grid pts with same (i,j)

