

Simulation-time data analysis and I/O acceleration at extreme scale with GLEAN

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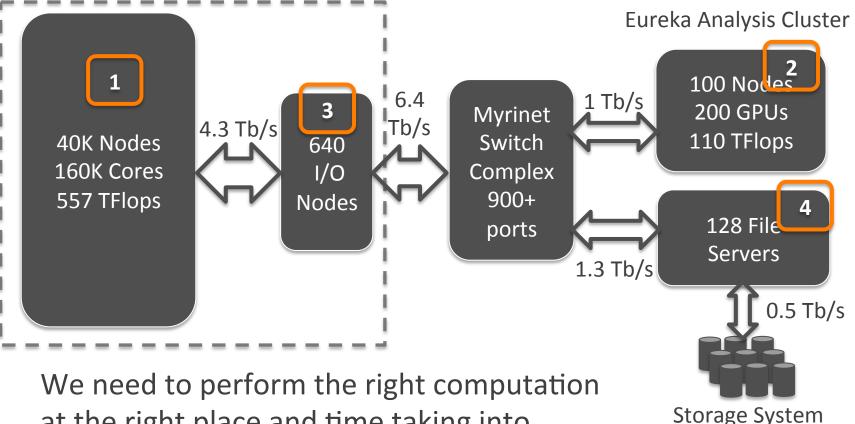
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Simulation-time Analysis Opportunities on the Argonne Leadership Computing Facility

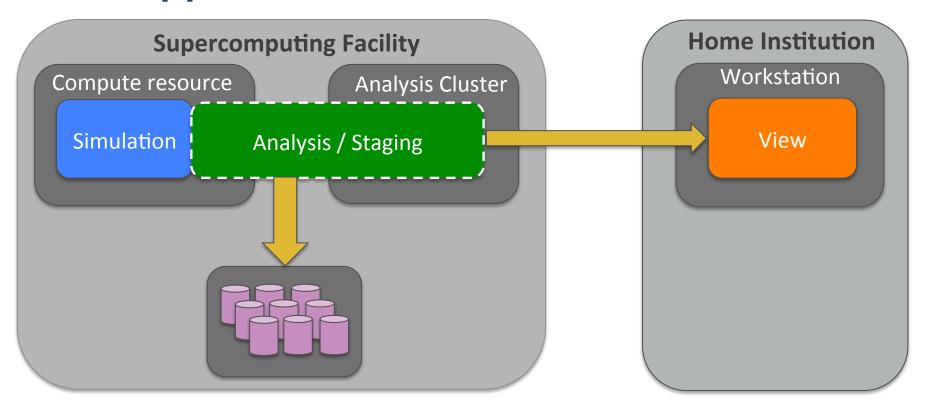
Intrepid BG/P Compute Resource



We need to perform the right computation at the right place and time taking into account the characteristics of the simulation, resources and analysis



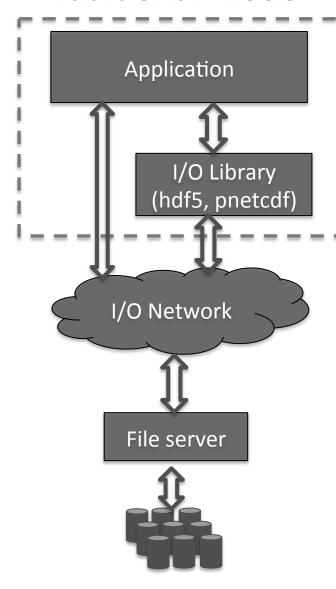
Our approach - GLEAN



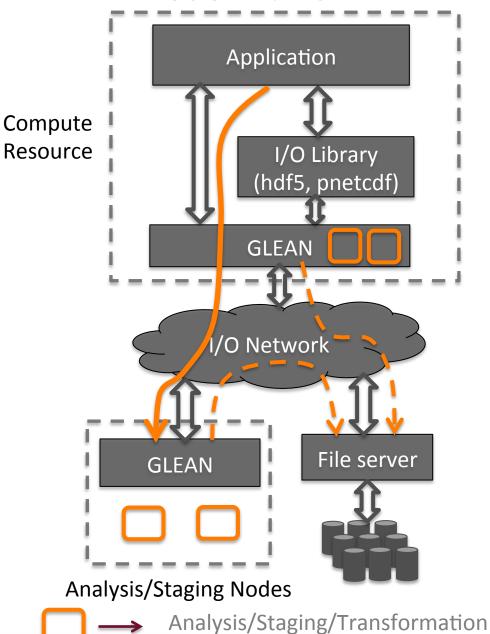
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Traditional Mode



Mode with GLEAN



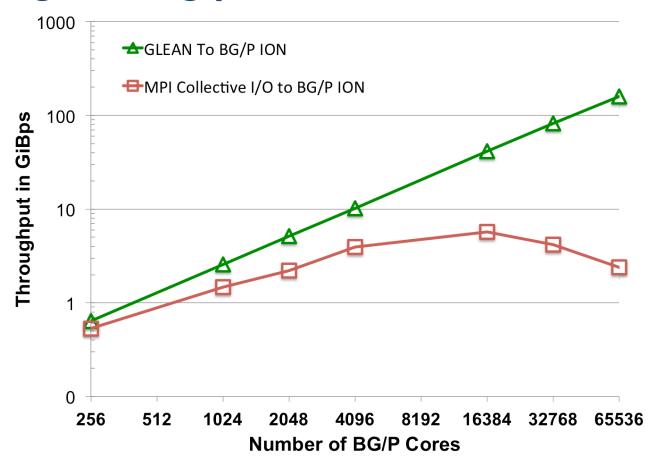


Key features of GLEAN

- Exploit the underlying network topology to speed data movement
- Leverage data semantics of applications
- Provide non-intrusive integration with existing applications
- Enable simulation-time data analysis, transformation and reduction by providing a flexible and extensible API
- Provide asynchronous data I/O via staging nodes
- Provide transparent integration with native application data formats.



Strong scaling performance to write 1GiB

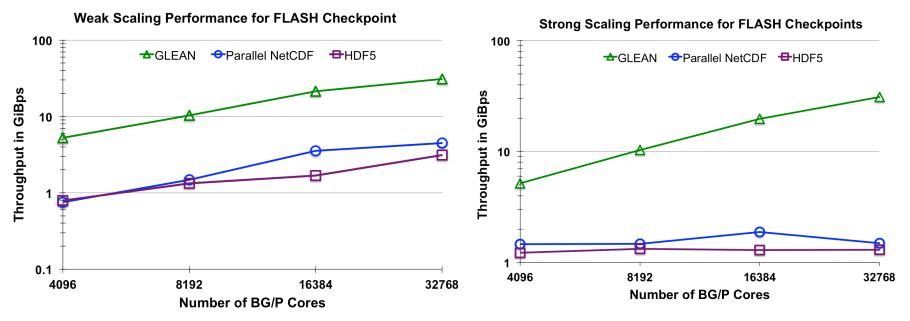


By leveraging the topology of BG/P, we can achieve both weak scaling as well as strong scaling for data movement

"Topology-aware data movement and staging for I/O acceleration for IBM Blue Gene/P supercomputing applications", V. Vishwanath et. al. (To appear SC 2011)



Performance for FLASH checkpoints

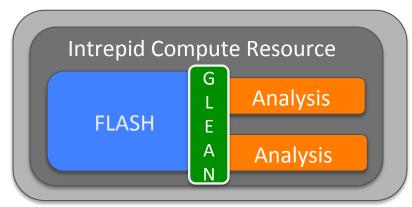


- For weak scaling at 32,768 cores, GLEAN sustains 31 GiBps and achieves an observed speedup of **10-fold** over pnetcdf and hdf5
- For strong scaling at 32,768 cores, GLEAN sustains 27 GiBps and achieves an observed speedup of 15-fold over pnetcdf and hdf5
- 16.3 GiBps to Storage at 32K cores



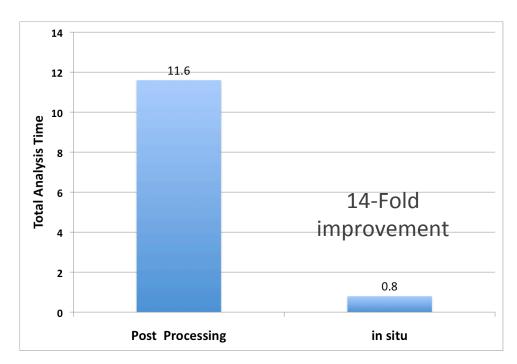
in situ analysis of FLASH using GLEAN

ALCF Facility

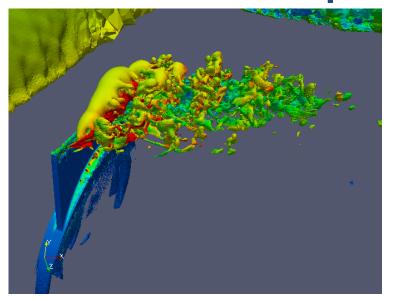


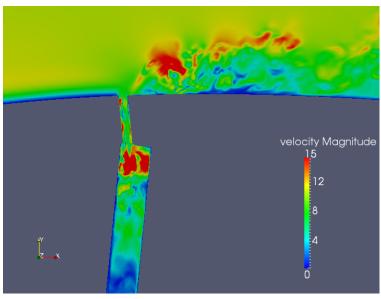
- Fractal Dimension illustrates
 the degree of turbulence in a
 particular time step as well as
 within a sub-region of the
 domain
- Analysis using GLEAN required no code changes to FLASH

 in situ analysis to compute fractal dimension for 5 variables of a FLASH simulation on 2048 BG/P processors



Simulation-time analysis of PHASTA on 160K Intrepid BG/P cores





Isosurface of vertical velocity colored by velocity and cut plane through the synthetic jet (both on 3.3 Billion element mesh). *Image Courtesy: Ken Jansen*

- Visualization of a PHASTA simulation running on 160K cores of Intrepid using ParaView on 100 Eureka nodes enabled by GLEAN
- GLEAN achieves 48 GiBps sustained throughput for data movement enabling simulation-time analysis



GLEAN- Enabling simulation-time data analysis and I/O acceleration

- A flexible and extensible data analysis framework taking into account application, analytics and system characteristics to perform the right analysis at the right place and time
- Provides I/O acceleration by asynchronous data staging
- Scaled to entire ALCF infrastructure (160K BG/P cores + 100 Eureka Nodes)

Infrastructure	Simulation	Analysis
Co-analysis	PHASTA	Visualization using Paraview
Staging	FLASH, S3D	I/O Acceleration
In situ	FLASH	Fractal Dimension, Surface Area, Histograms
In flight	MADBench2	Histogram

- Leverages data models
 of applications
 including adaptive
 mesh refinement and
 unstructured meshes
- Generic design to enable deployment on any platform

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Summary

- Exploiting topology, data semantics and asynchronous data staging is critical as we scale to future systems
- GLEAN is a flexible and extensible framework for data analysis and I/O acceleration taking into account application, analytics and system characteristics
- Demonstrated GLEAN successfully with DOE INCITE and ESP applications for simulation-time data analysis and I/O acceleration at scale on leadership computing systems