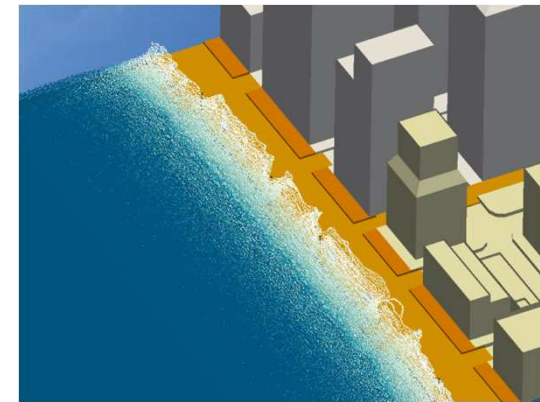
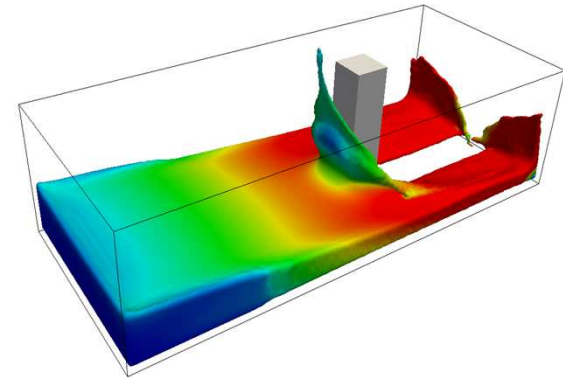


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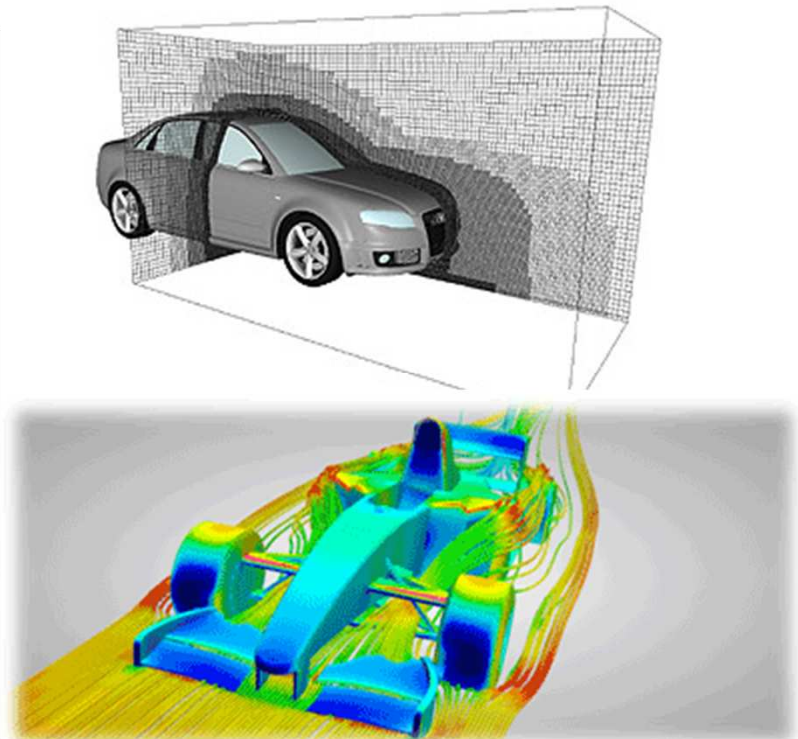
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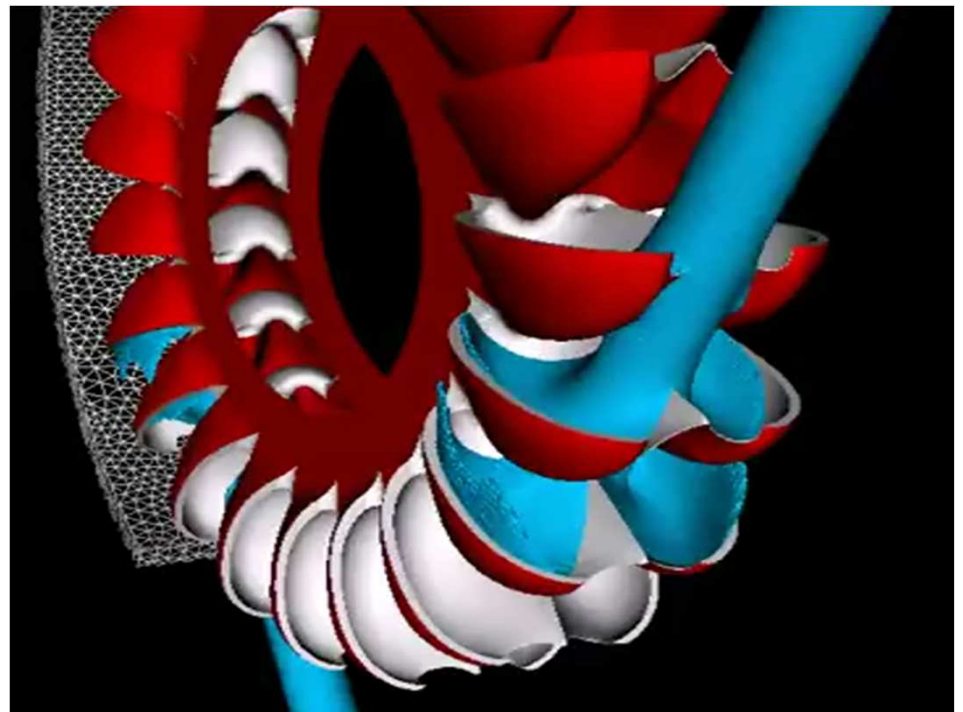
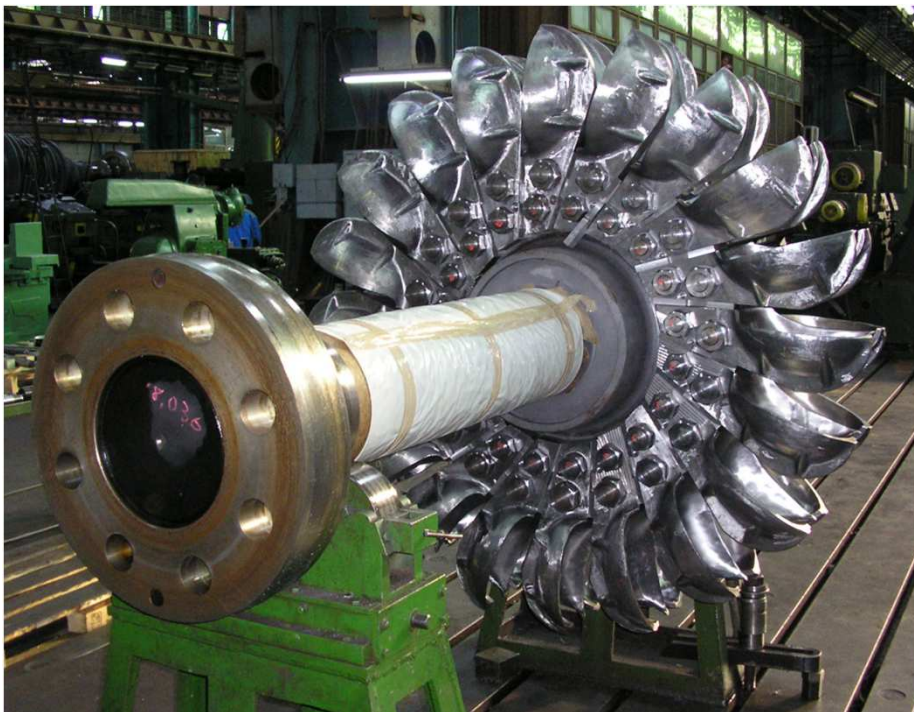
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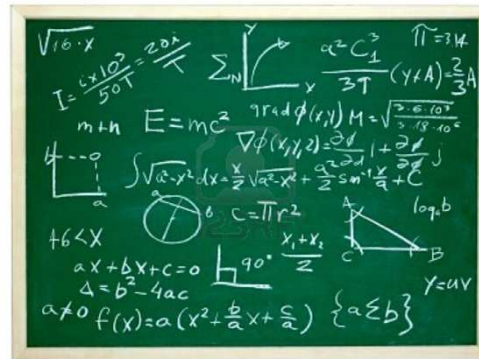


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## Aspects to build an accurate and fast numerical method

- 1) Correct implementation of the physical governing equations and the accuracy of the mathematical algorithms.

**IT IS UP TO YOU**



- 2) Powerful hardware to execute the simulation.

**IT IS NOT UP TO US**



Therefore, in order to obtain the best performance, the code must be optimized and parallelized as much as possible according to the available resources of hardware.

# Numerical methods

## Current hardware to execute our numerical methods

### Central Processing Units (CPUs):



The current CPUs have **multiple processing cores**, making possible the distribution of the workload of a program among the different cores dividing the execution time.

CPUs also present **SIMD instructions** (Single Instruction, Multiple Data) that allow an operation on multiple data simultaneously.

The **parallelization** task on CPUs can be mainly performed by using **MPI (Message Passing Interface)** or **OpenMP (Open Multi-Processing)**.

### Graphics Processing Units (GPUs):



Research can be also conducted with the new GPU technology for problems that previously required high performance computing (HPC).

Recently the **GPGPU programming (General Purpose on Graphics Processing Units)** has experienced a strong growth in all fields of the scientific computing.

**A DETAILED DESCRIPTION ABOUT GPU WILL BE SHOWN LATER**

# TOP SUPERCOMPUTERS IN THE WORLD

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The use of GPU co-processors is consolidated as a key component in HPC

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all numerical methods in CFD and any computational method



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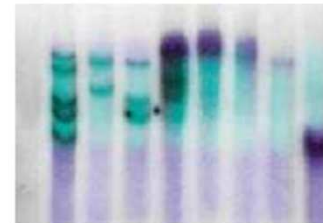
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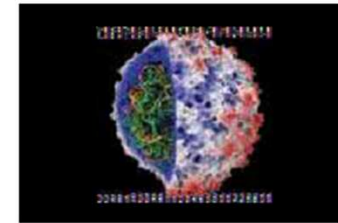
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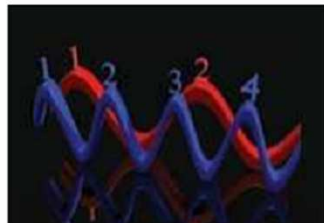
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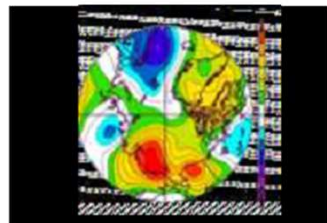
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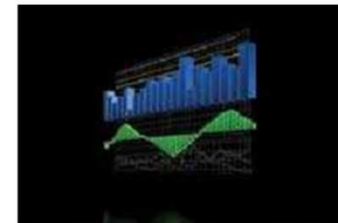
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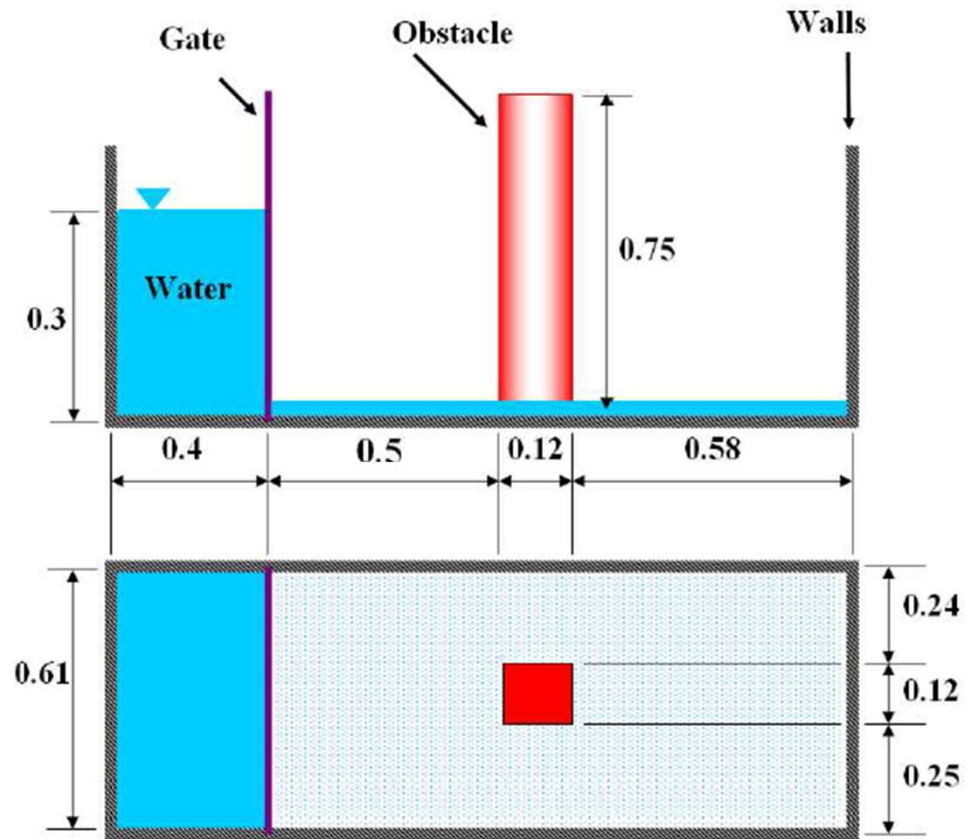
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# Numerical methods

How long can be a simulation???

30,000 particles  
1.5s of physical time  
prototype dimensions  
simple geometries



**Yeh and Petroff  
experiment**

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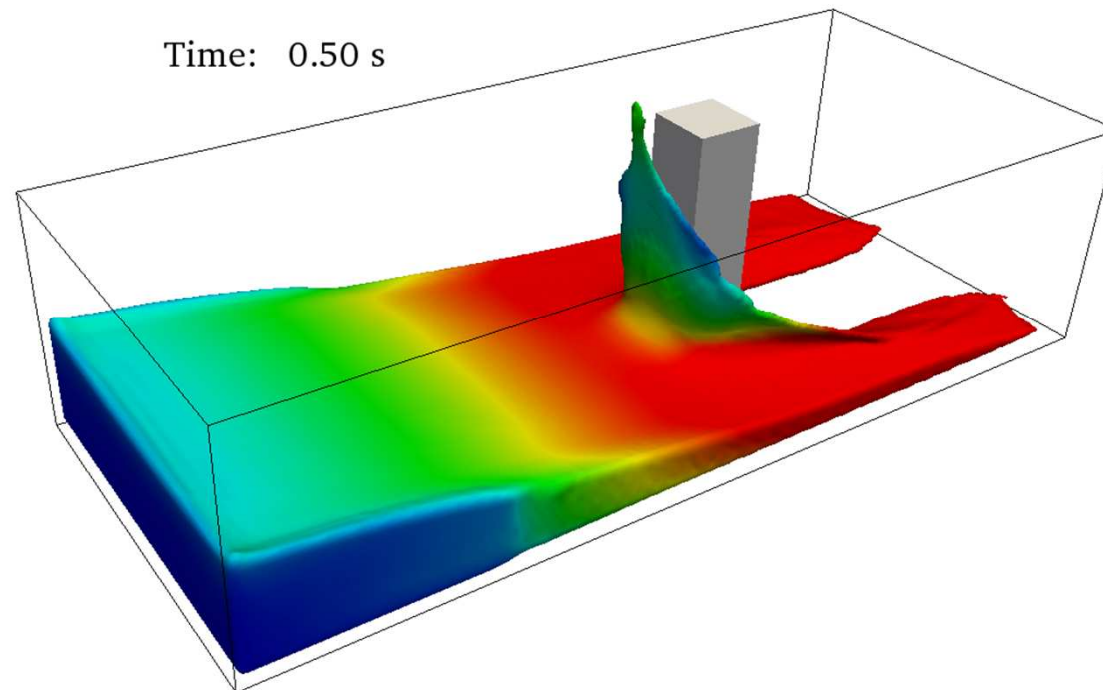
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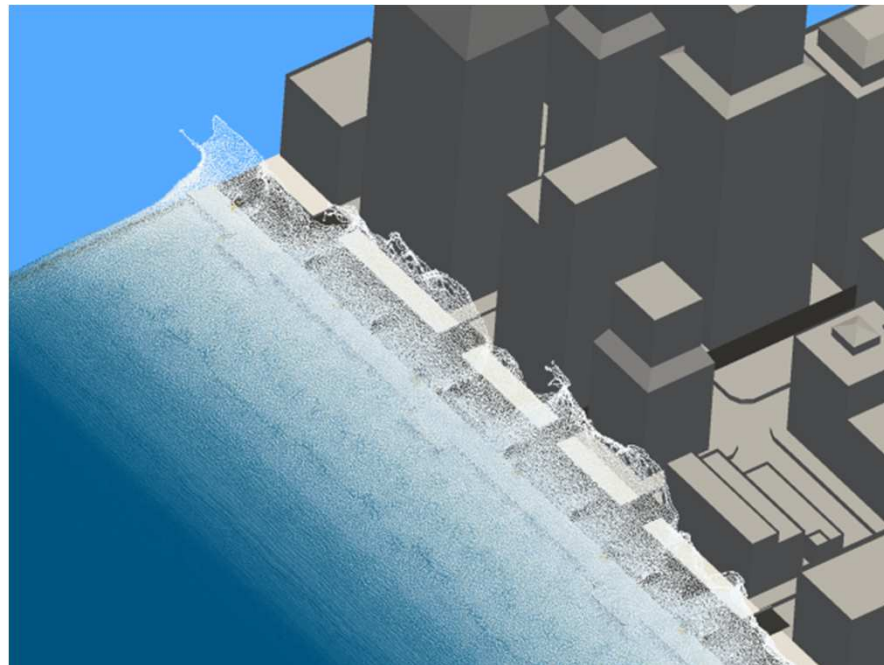
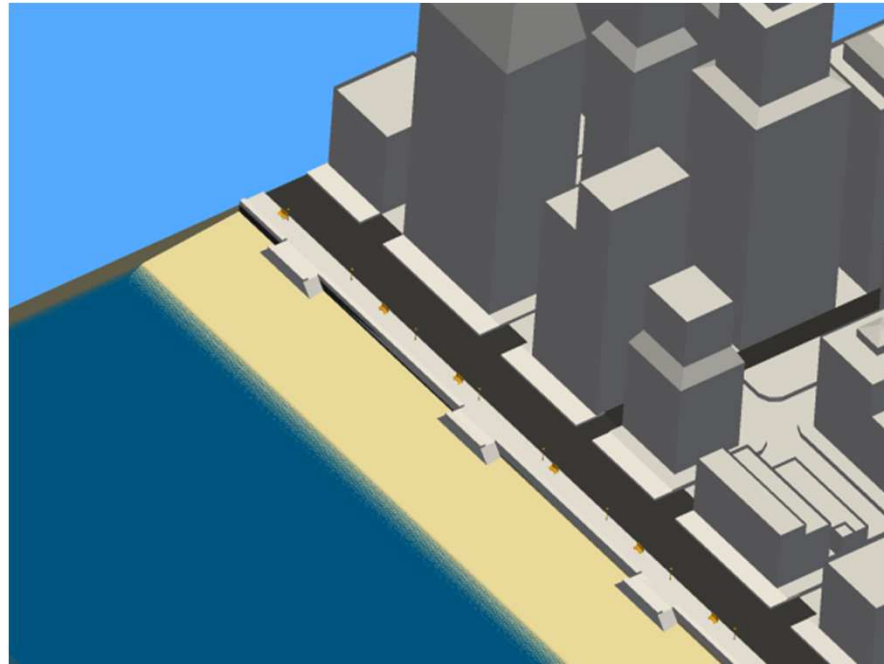
**5,000,000 particles**

**24s of physical time**

**real dimensions**

**complex geometries**

**3 hours on GPU**



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# SPH method

## Different descriptions for numerical methods

The physical governing equations of a numerical method can be solved:

- with the help of a grid using an Eulerian description or
- without it with a Lagrangian description.

The meshfree methods make easier the simulation of problems:

- with large deformations
- advanced material
- complex geometries
- nonlinear material behavior
- discontinuities and singularities.

Meshfree methods are used for solid mechanics as well as for fluid dynamics.

We will focus here on the meshfree particle method named SPH:

**Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics**

# SPH method

## PHYSICAL GOVERNING EQUATIONS

**EULERIAN DESCRIPTION**  
(spatial description)

**LAGRANGIAN DESCRIPTION**  
(material description)

## COMPUTATIONAL METHODS

**GRID-BASED METHODS**

**MESHFREE METHODS**

**MESHFREE PARTICLE METHODS**  
(particle represents a part of  
the continuum domain)

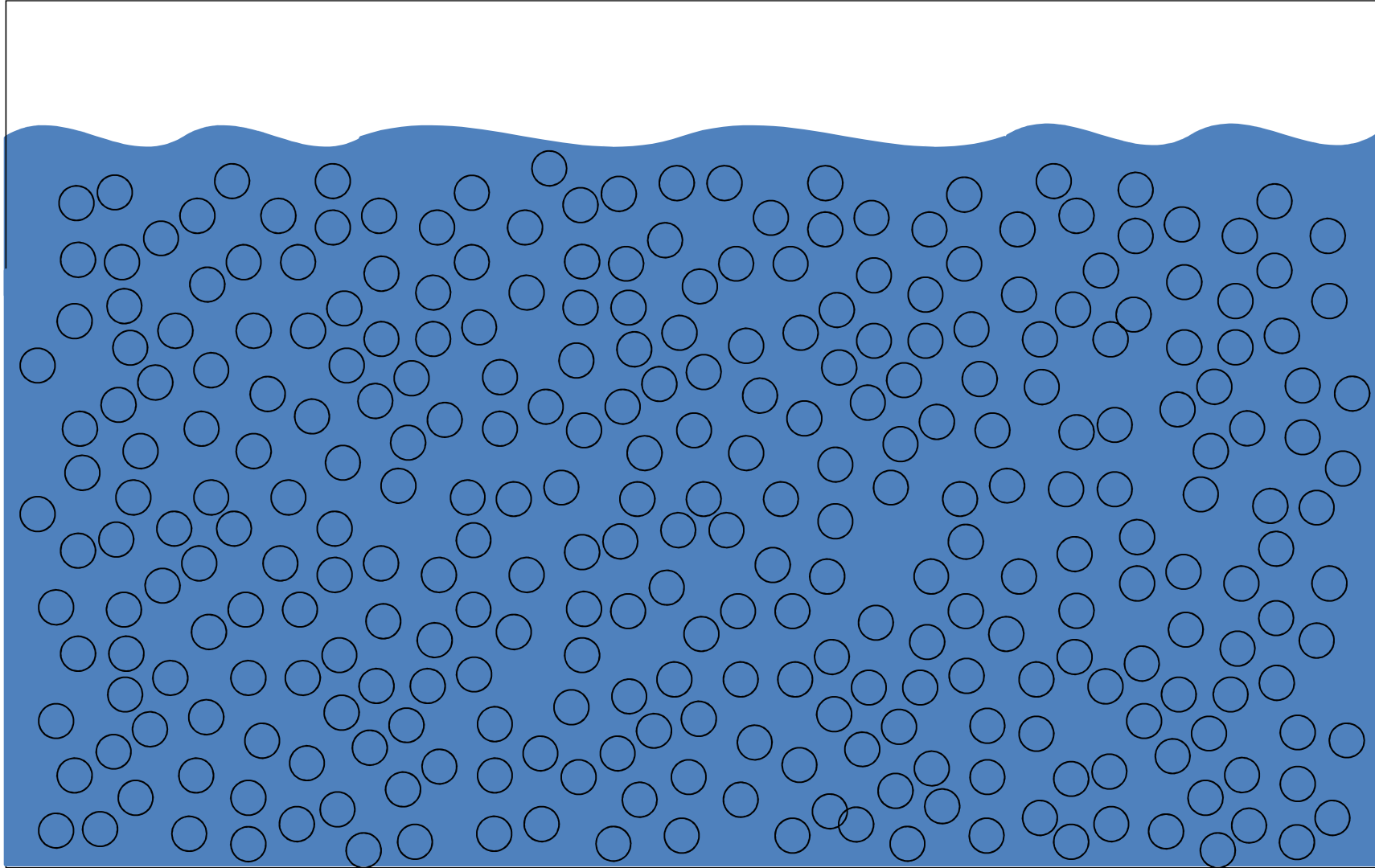
**SMOOTHED PARTICLE HYDRODYNAMICS**

**SPH**



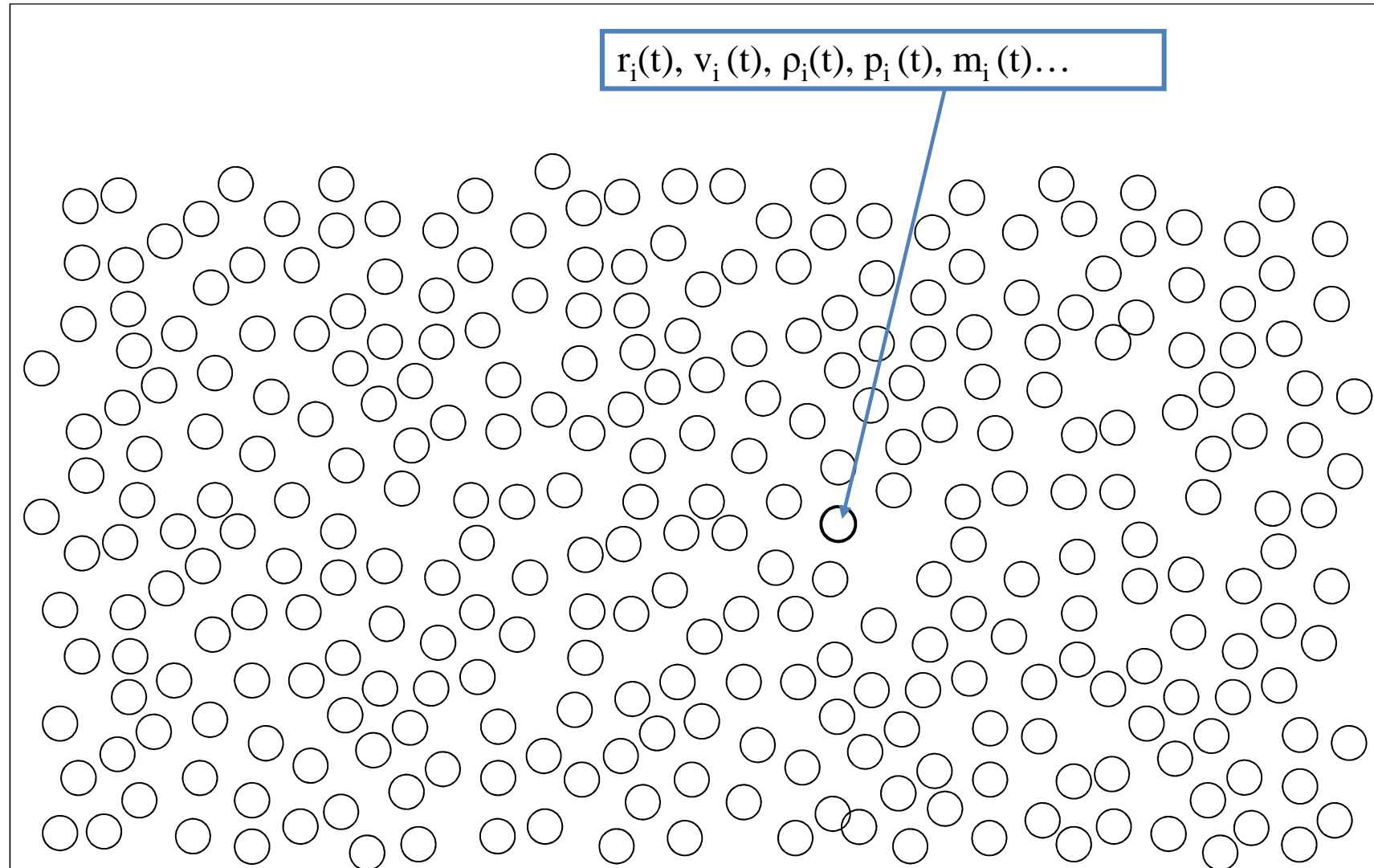
# SPH method

The fluid is treated as a set of particles.



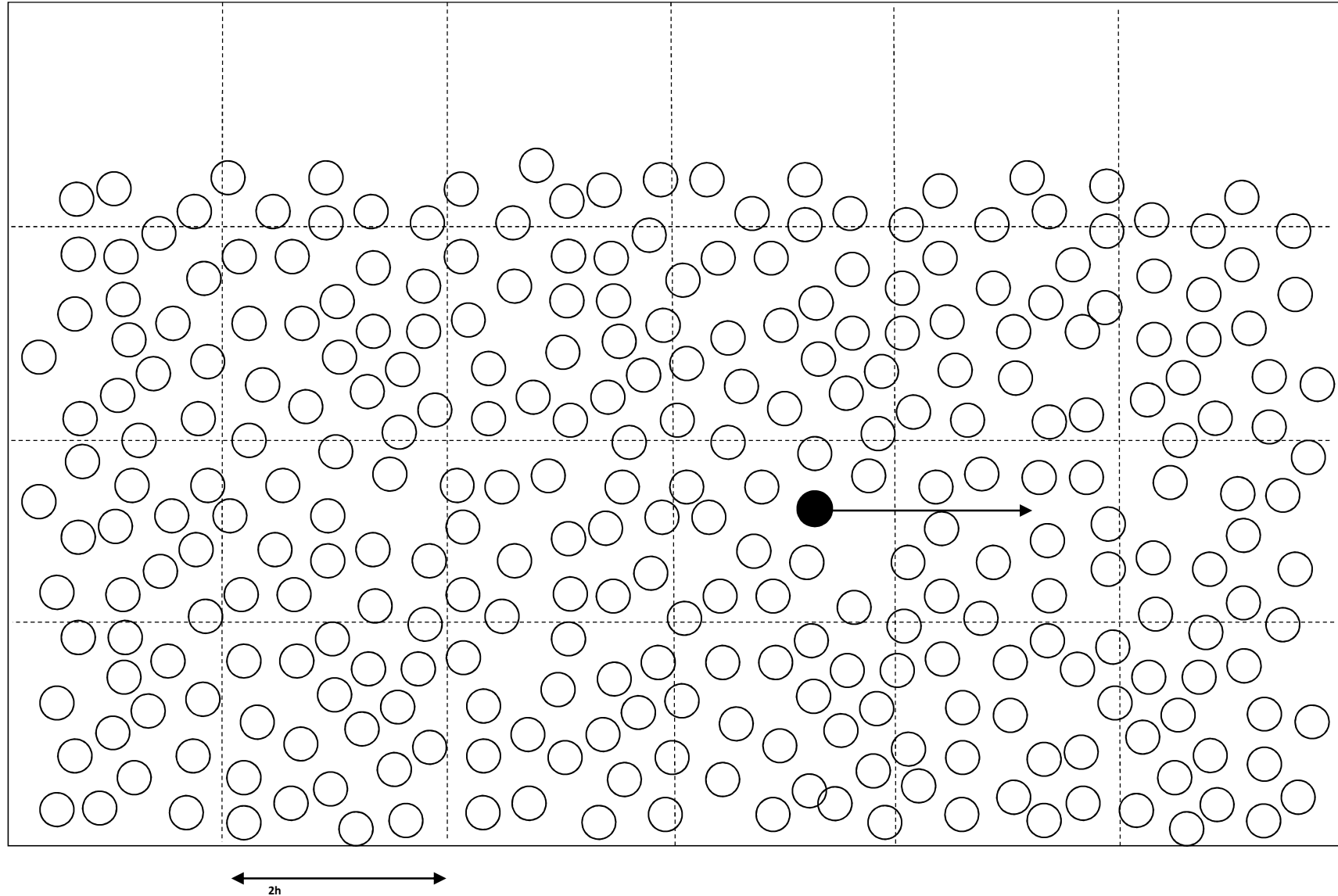
# SPH method

**Position, velocity, mass, density, pressure  
of each particle is known.**



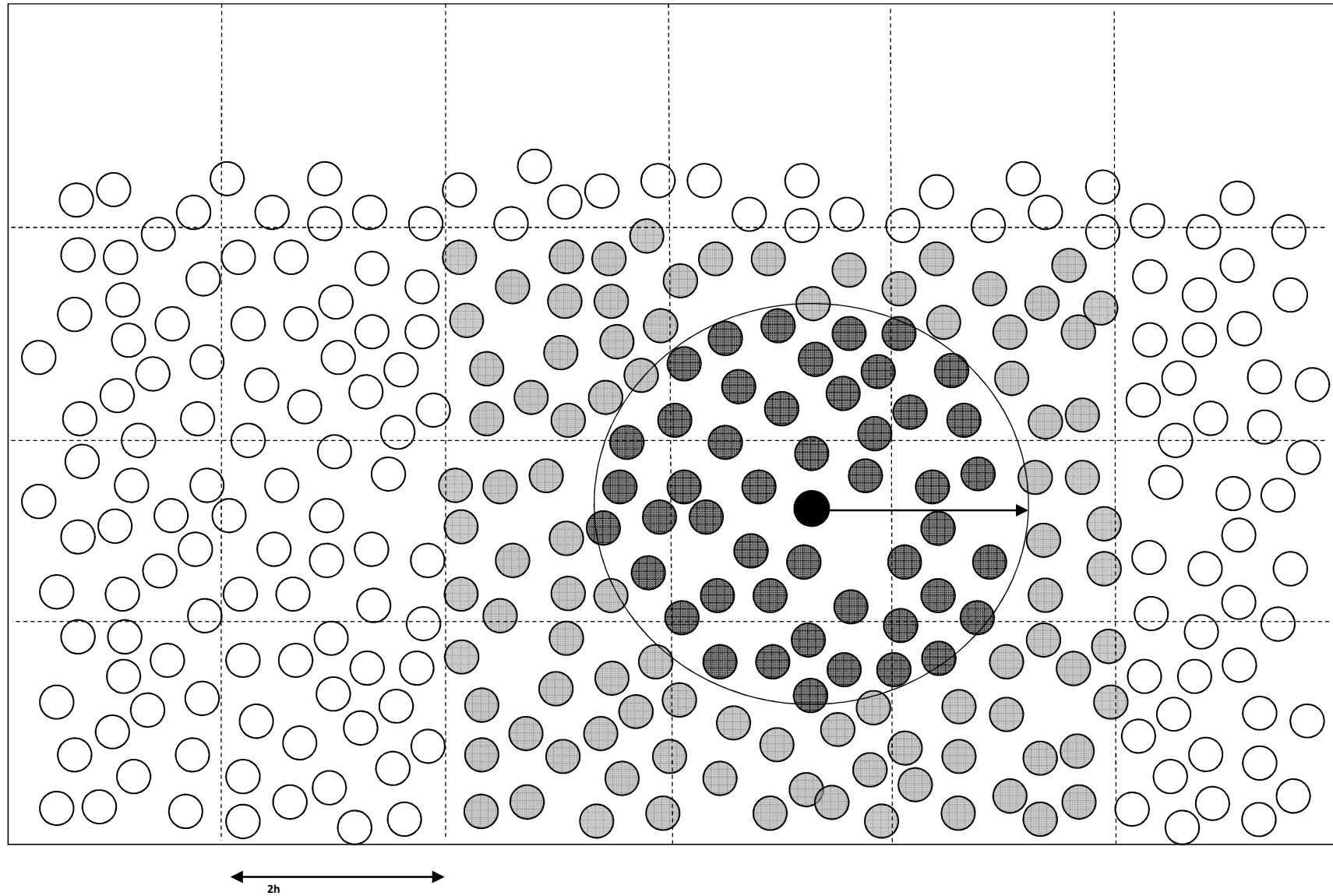
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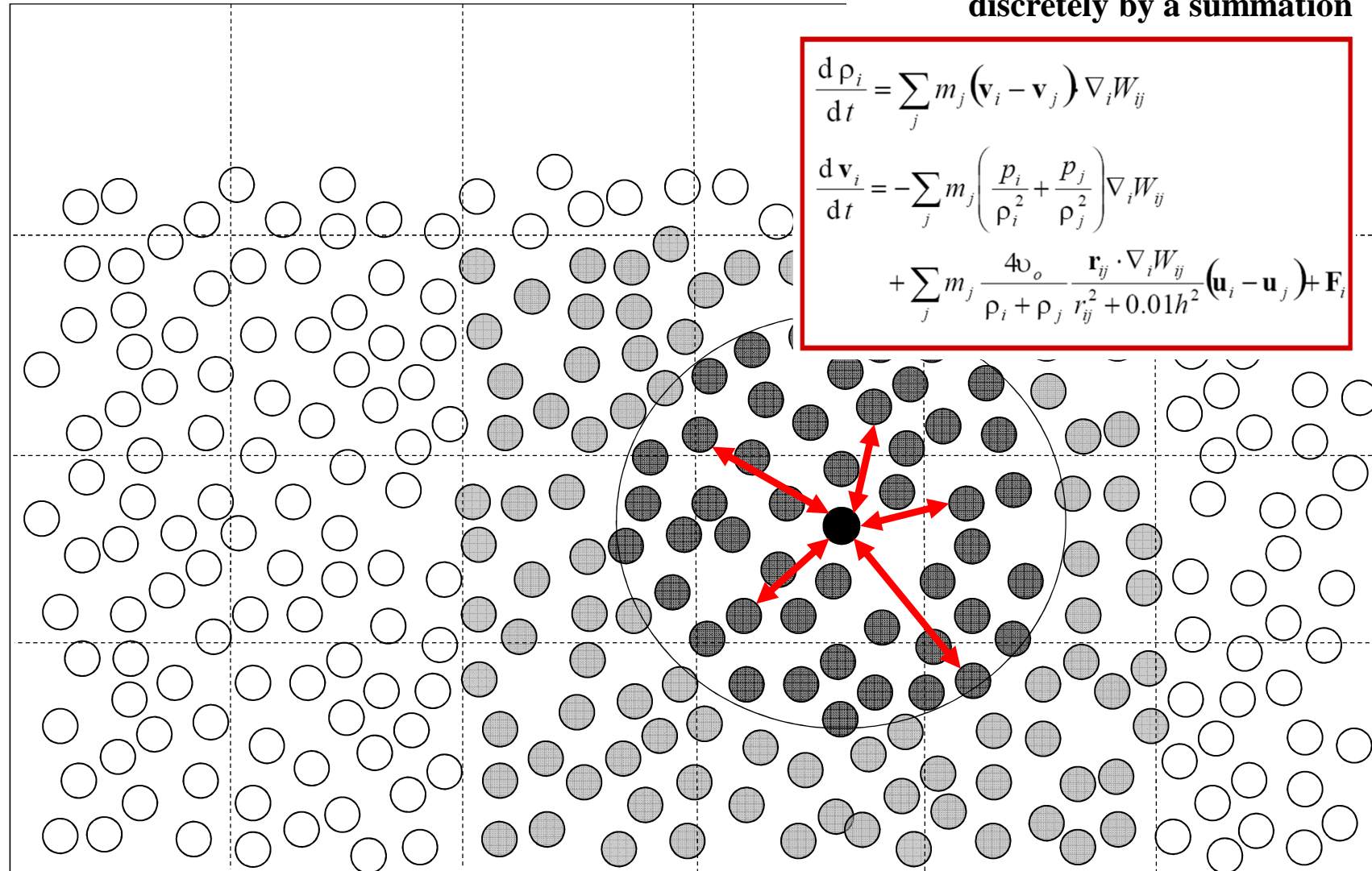


# SPH method

NEIGHBOR  
LIST

PARTICLE  
INTERACTION

Navier-Stokes equations approximated  
discretely by a summation



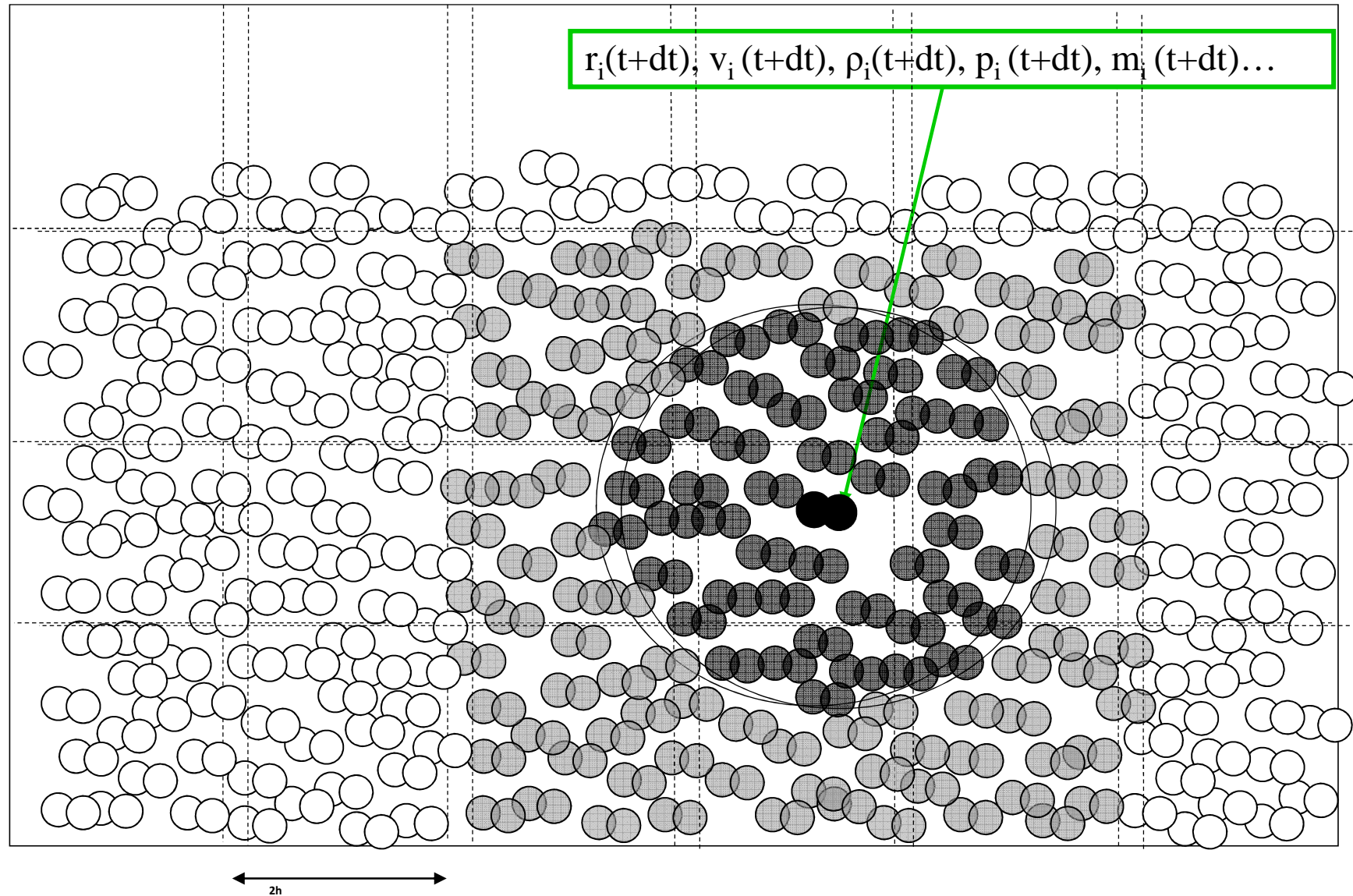
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\rho_i}{dt} &= \sum_j m_j (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}_j) \cdot \nabla_i W_{ij} \\ \frac{d\mathbf{v}_i}{dt} &= -\sum_j m_j \left( \frac{p_i}{\rho_i^2} + \frac{p_j}{\rho_j^2} \right) \nabla_i W_{ij} \\ &\quad + \sum_j m_j \frac{4\nu_o}{\rho_i + \rho_j} \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \nabla_i W_{ij}}{r_{ij}^2 + 0.01h^2} (\mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_j) + \mathbf{F}_i\end{aligned}$$

# SPH method

NEIGHBOR  
LIST

PARTICLE  
INTERACTION

SYSTEM  
UPDATE



# SPH method

- Conceptually, an SPH code is an iterative process consisting of three main steps:



## ***-neighbour list:***

particles only interact with surrounding particles located at a given distance so the domain is divided in cells of the kernel size to reduce the neighbour search to the adjacent cells;

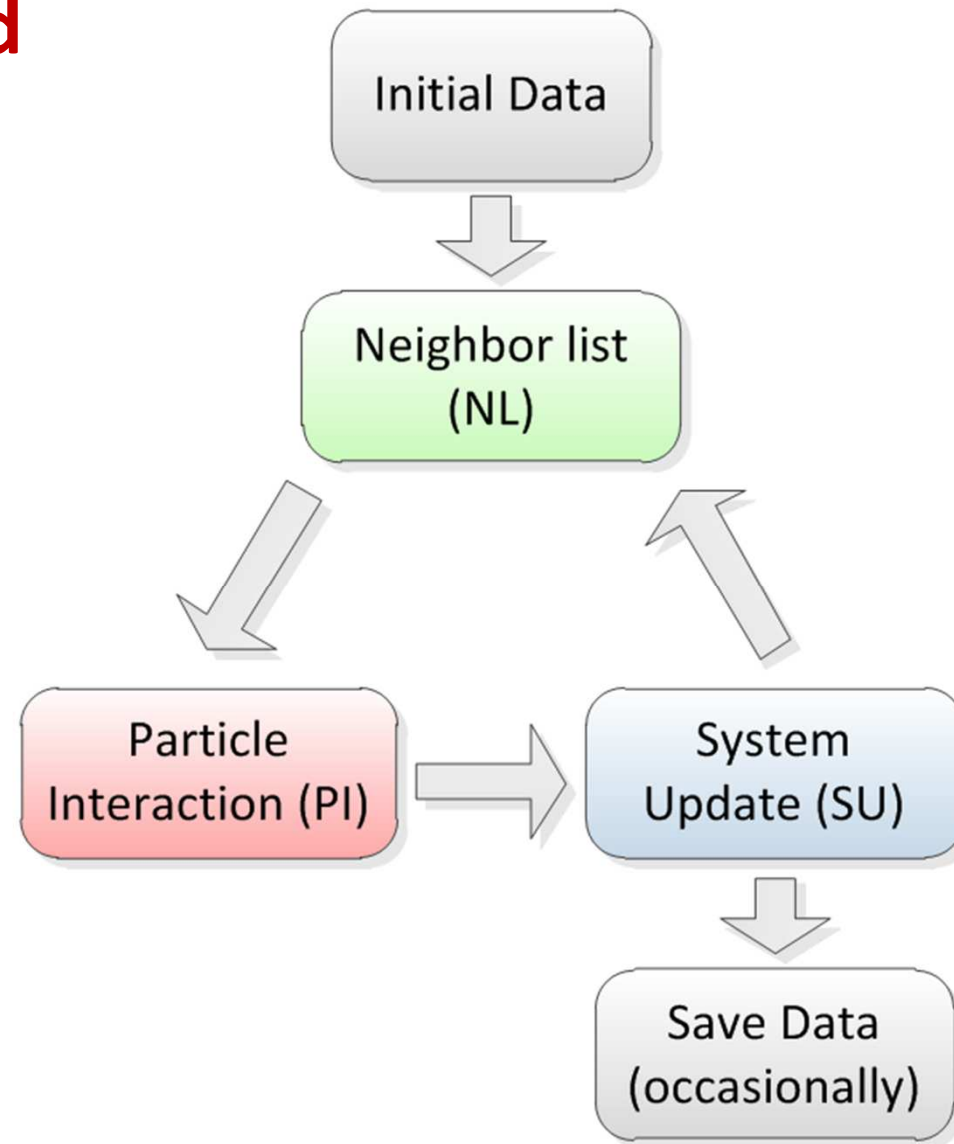
## ***-particle interaction:***

each particle only looks for neighbours at the adjacent cells, after verifying that the distance between particles lies within the support of the kernel, the conservation laws of continuum fluid dynamics are computed for the pair-wise interaction of particles;

## ***-system update:***

once the forces between neighbouring particles have been evaluated, all physical magnitudes of the particles are updated at the next time step.

# SPH method



**Conceptual diagram of the implementation of a SPH code**

# SPH method: drawbacks

The applicability of particle-based simulations is typically limited by **two constraints: (i) simulation time, and (ii) system size**

Thus, **to obtain physically meaningful information** from a simulation, one must be able to **simulate a large-enough system for long-enough times**.

In the SPH method, applications such as the study of coastal processes and flooding hydrodynamics, have been **limited until now by the maximum number of particles** in order to perform simulations within reasonable times.

**Big simulations** for free-surface flows:

40 million – EDF on a Blue Gene

120 million – EPFL on a Blue Gene

200 million – ECL





# SPH method: drawbacks

**Blue Gene** is a computer architecture project to produce several supercomputers, designed to reach operating speeds in the [PFLOPS \(petaFLOPS\)](#) range, and currently reaching sustained speeds of nearly 500 [TFLOPS \(teraFLOPS\)](#): Blue Gene/L, Blue Gene/C, Blue Gene/P, and Blue Gene/Q

In November 2007, the LLNL Blue Gene/L remained at the number one spot as the world's fastest supercomputer: 478 TFLOPS



A Blue Gene/P supercomputer



One Blue Gene/L node board

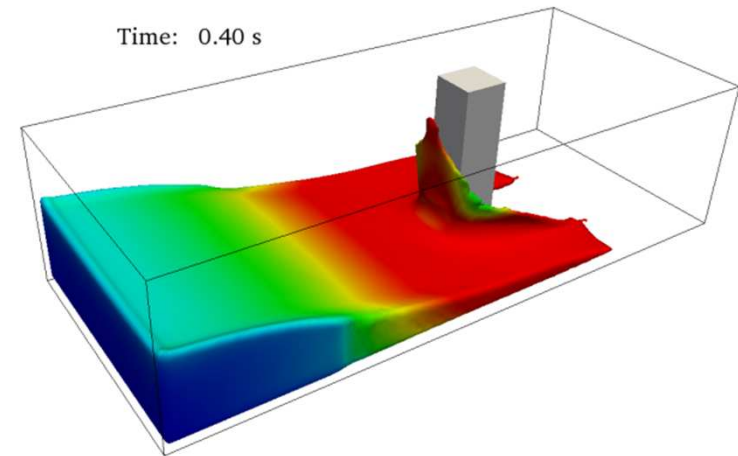


# SPH runtimes

**Example:** Dam break evolution during 1.5s  
- using 30,000 particles takes 12 mins,

**if no meaningful information**

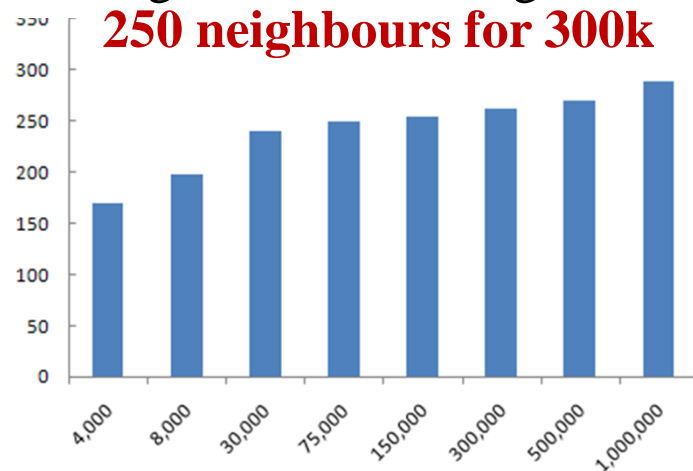
- using 300,000 particles takes 9.2 hours  
on a single-core machine



**Why SPH is so expensive in time??**

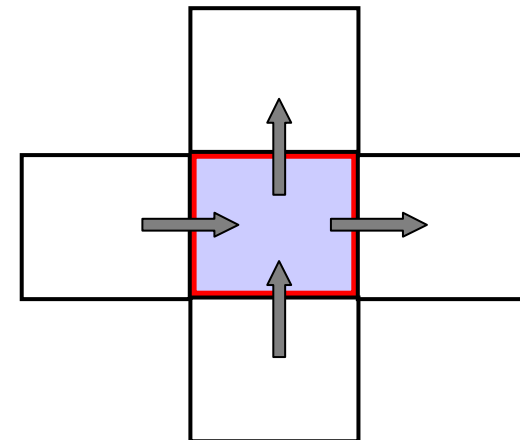
- small  $\Delta t$  with weakly compressible SPH scheme  
 **$O(10^{-6}-10^{-5})$  with 300,000 particles and more than 16,000 steps**

- high number of neighbours/interactions per particle



**250 neighbours for 300k**

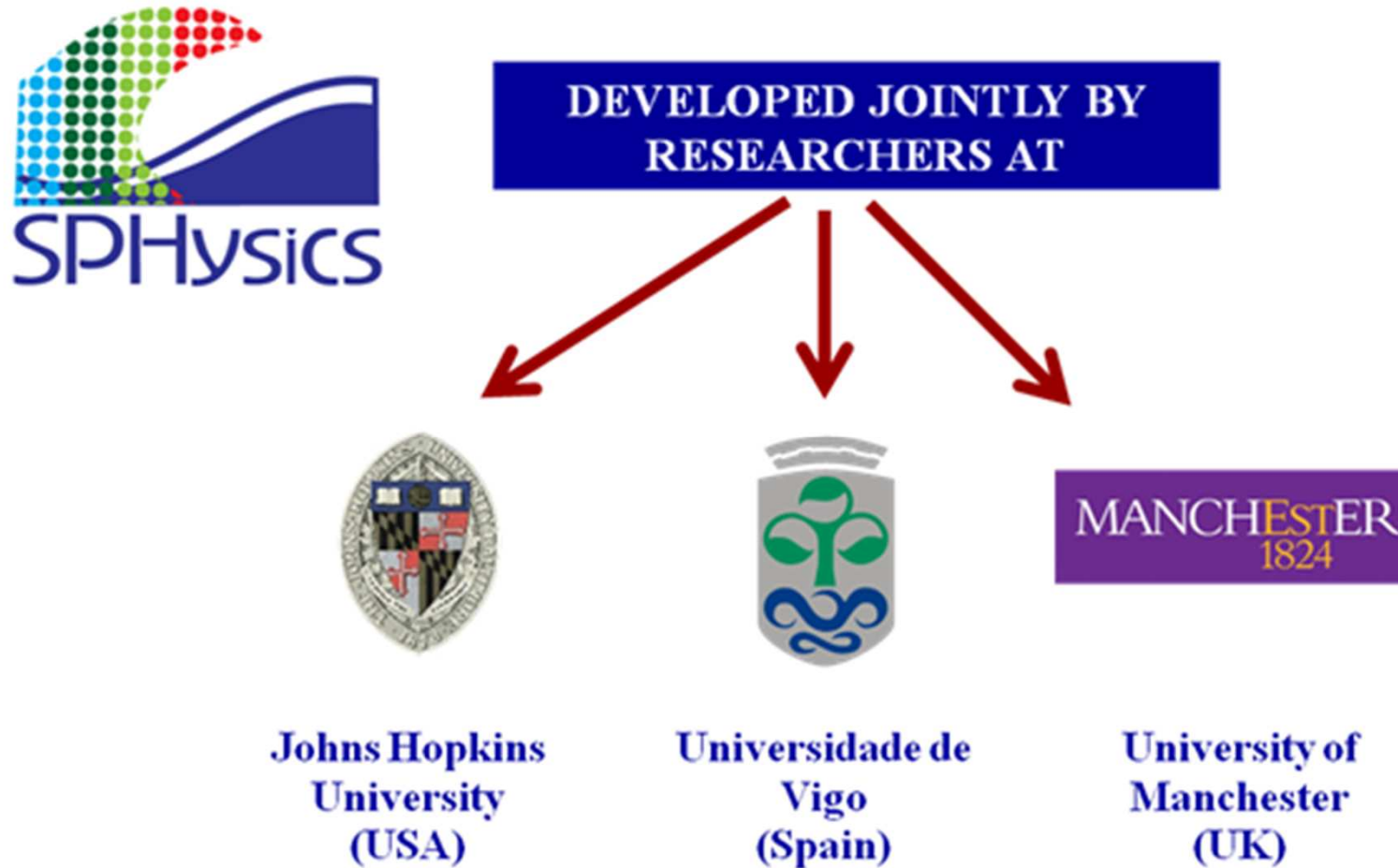
**In 2-D FVM only 4 neighbouring cells**



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# SPHysics project



SPHysics is a Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics code primarily to study free-surface flow phenomena. It has been jointly developed by Johns Hopkins University (U.S.A.), the University of Vigo (Spain) and the University of Manchester (United Kingdom).

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As result of this research, a first serial code was developed in FORTRAN

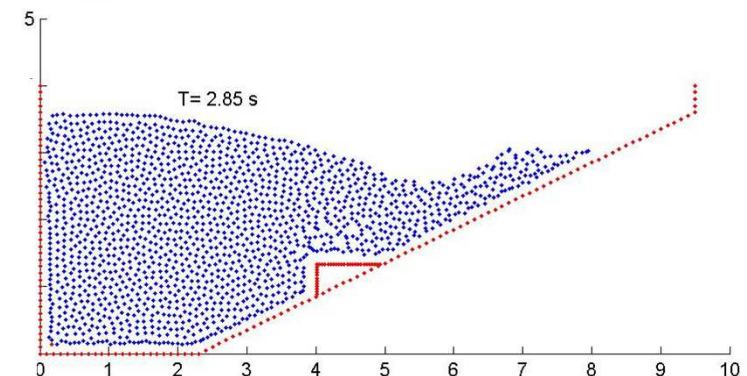
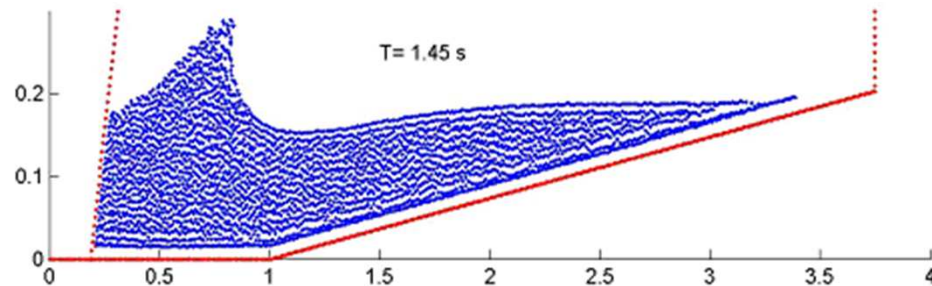
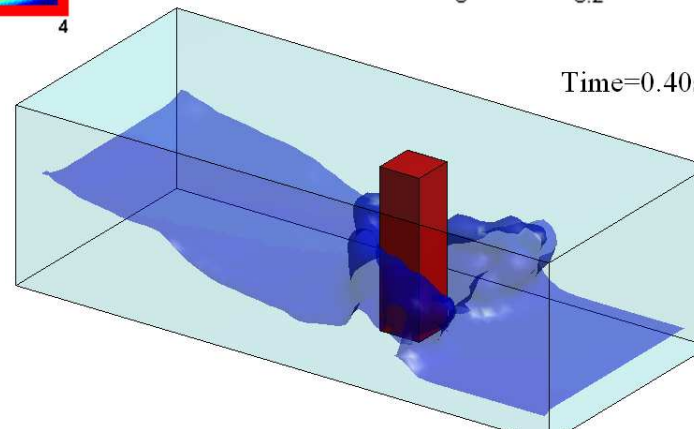
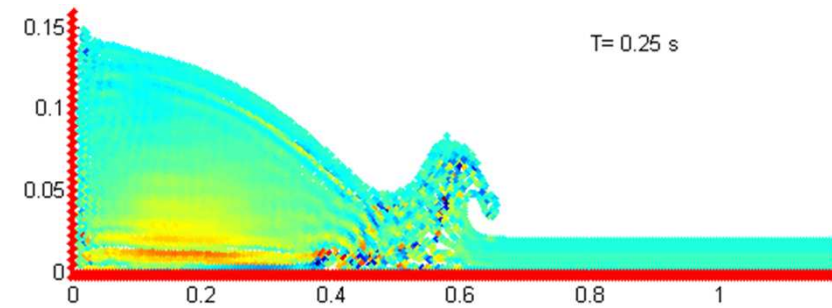
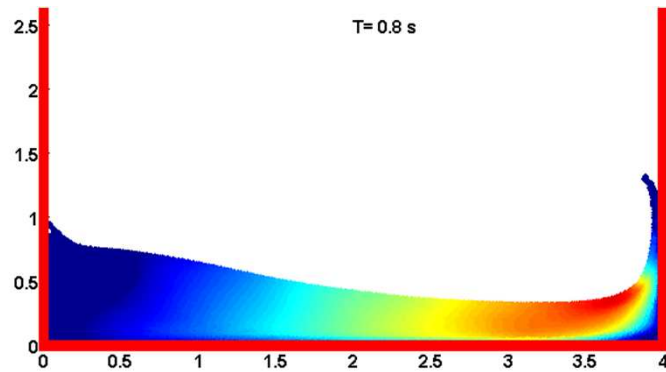


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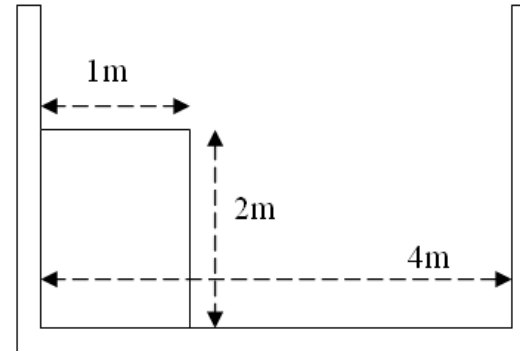
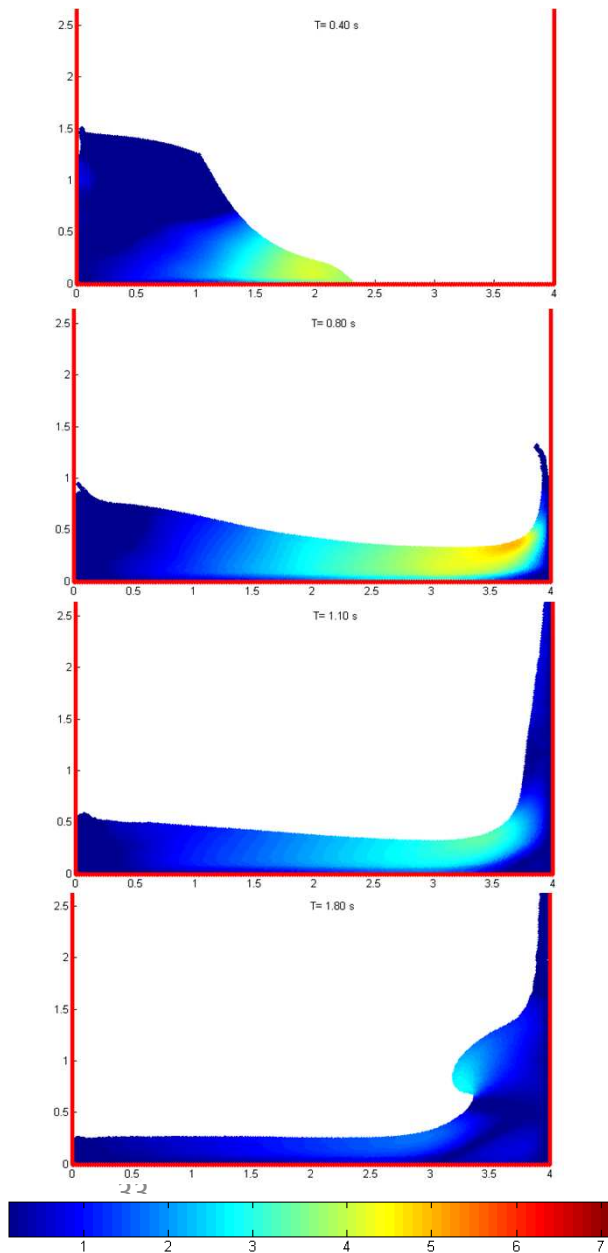
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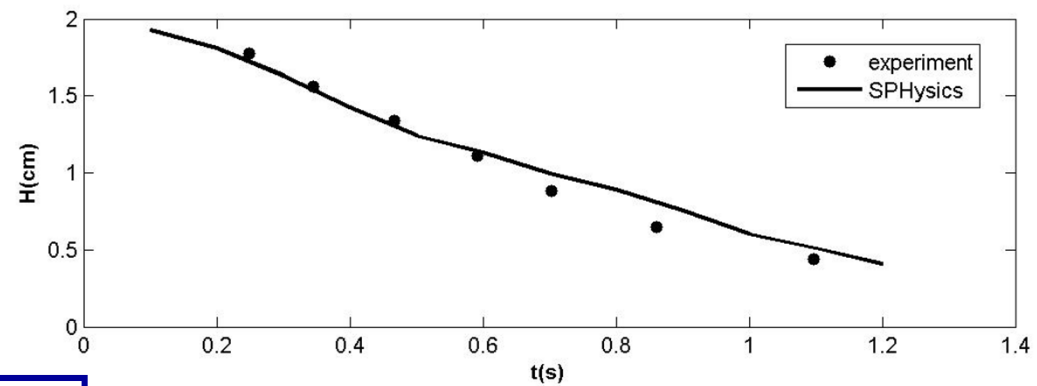
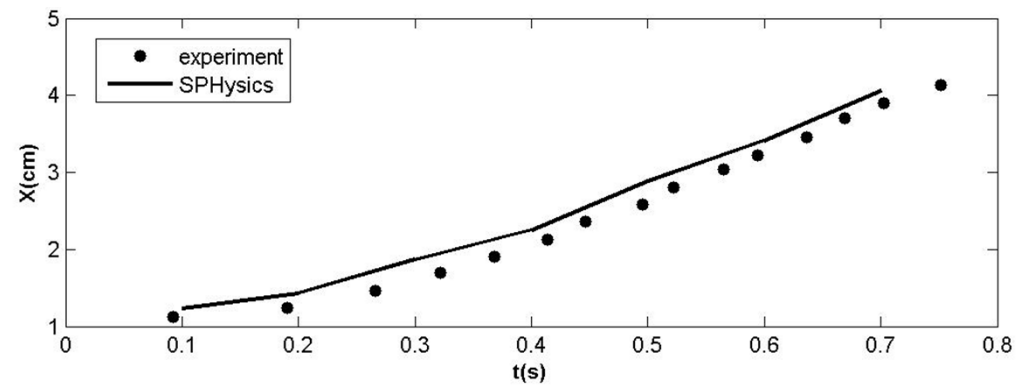
The SPHysics group has focused its research mainly on wave propagation and interaction with coastal structures, in 2D and 3D.



# VALIDATION: Dynamic boundary conditions



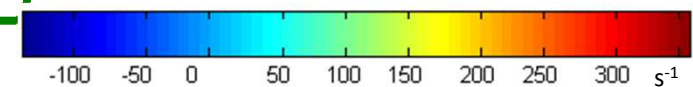
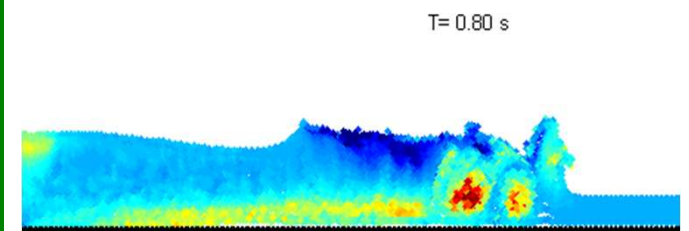
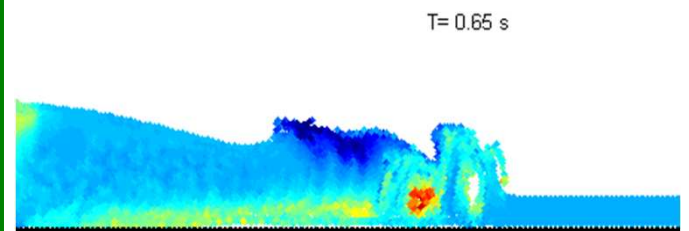
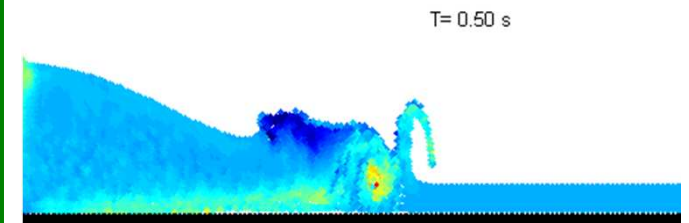
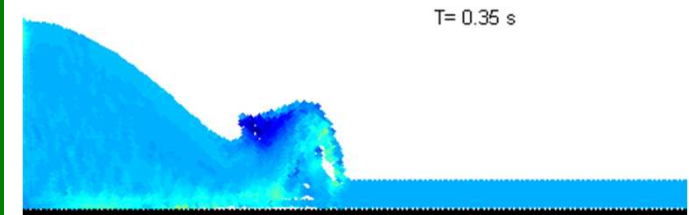
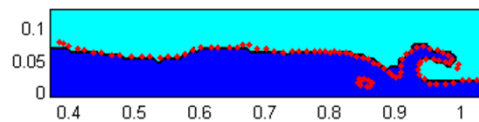
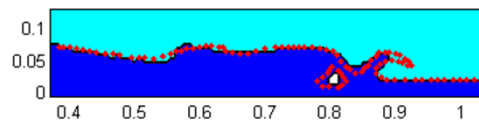
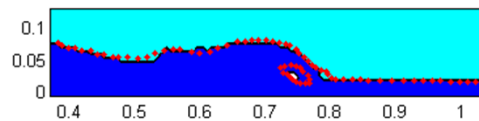
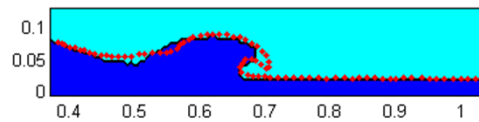
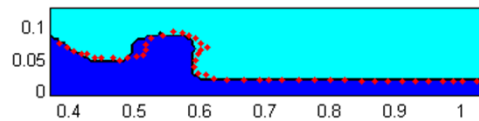
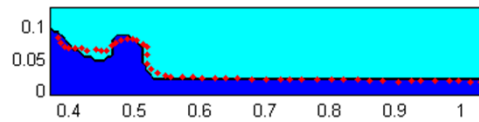
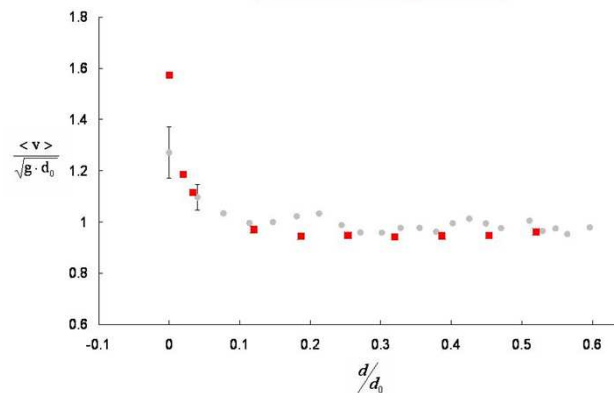
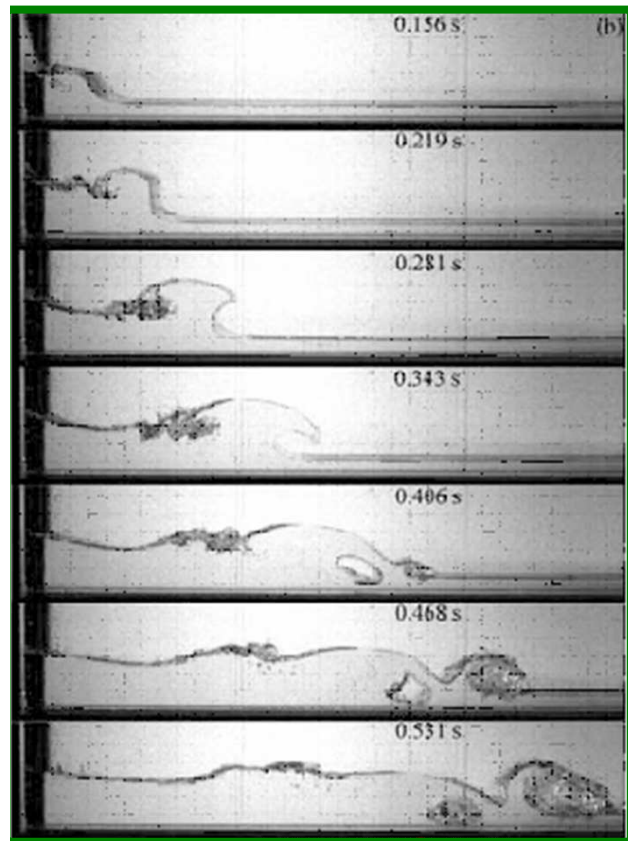
**Koshizuka and Oka, 1996**



$$v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_z^2}$$

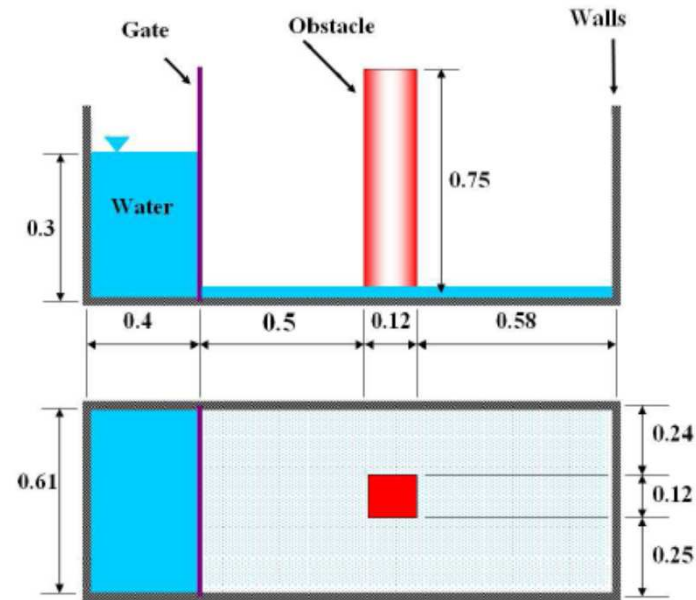
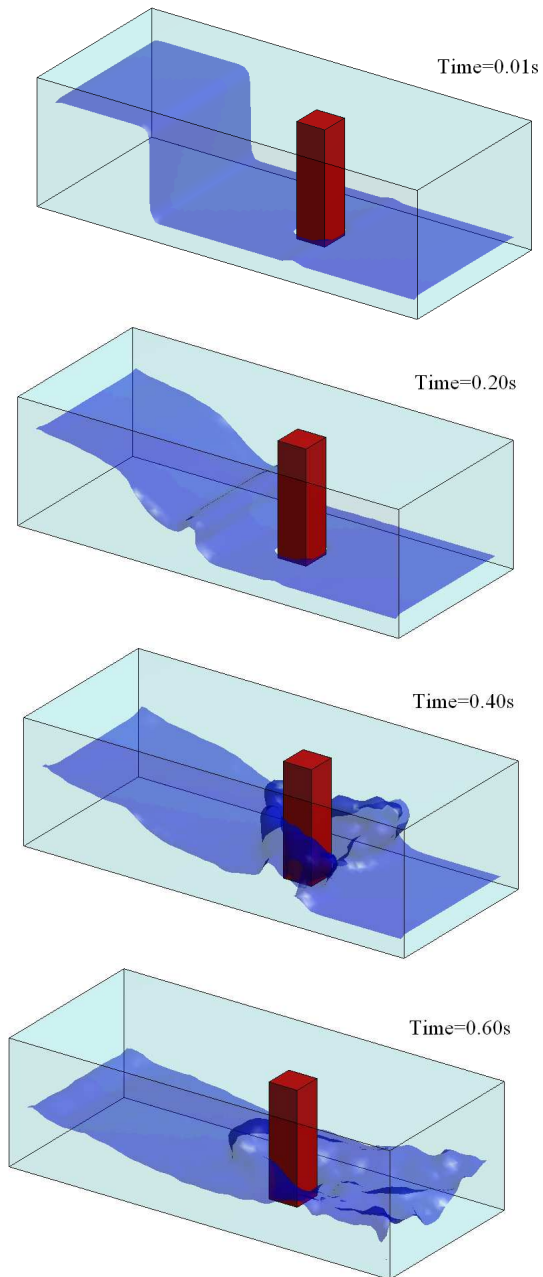


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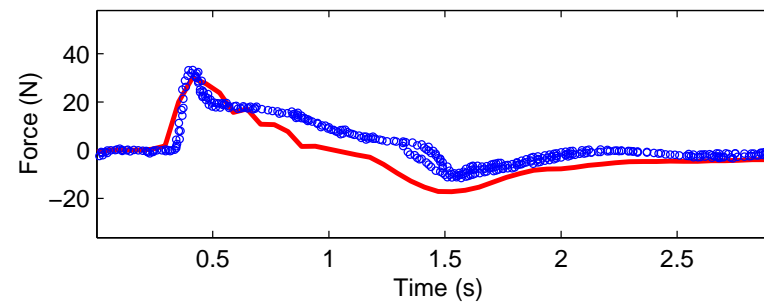
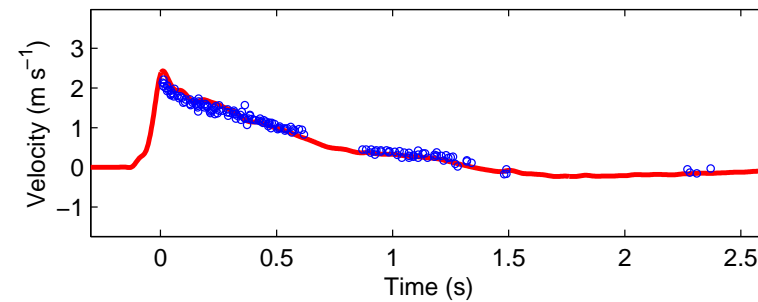


Janosi *et al.*, 2004

# VALIDATION: 3D Wave-structure interaction



**Yeh and Petroff  
experiment**



# SPHysics project

However, the SPHysics presents a high computational cost.

To perform simulations in a reasonable runtime with domains as large as the real systems, we need to **develop implementations that can exploit all the parallelism of the current hardware systems.**



**FORTRAN**



**C++**

**OpenMP**

**CUDA**

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# Proposals to accelerate SPH

How to accelerate your SPH code with less than ....

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**that a simulation of 55 mins can be performed in 1 min**

**but also large simulations can be performed  
in a reasonable computational runtime**

**and different tests can be performed in a short time**

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# Multi-core implementation

**Programming languages: OpenMP**

Implementation techniques and optimizations

Available hardware: Multi-core CPUs

Results and speedups

# Multi-core implementation

**OpenMP is used to implement the multi-core SPH code.**

## **ADVANTAGES:**

OpenMP is a **portable and flexible** programming model.

Its implementation is straightforward and **no significant changes** in comparison to the single-core code are required.

The time dedicated to communication between different execution threads is reduced since the **same shared memory is used**.

## **DISADVANTAGES:**

Using OpenMP on its own means that this parallelization and potential speedup are **limited to a small number of cores** (i.e. the number of cores existing on the compute node).

# Multi-core implementation

Programming languages: OpenMP

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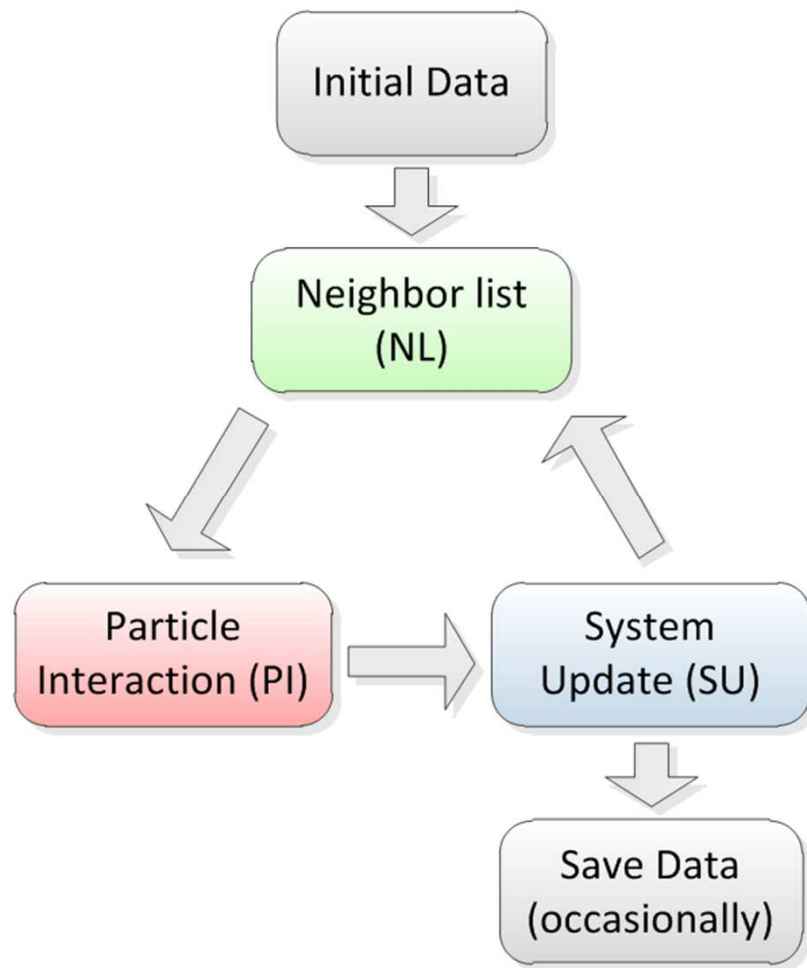
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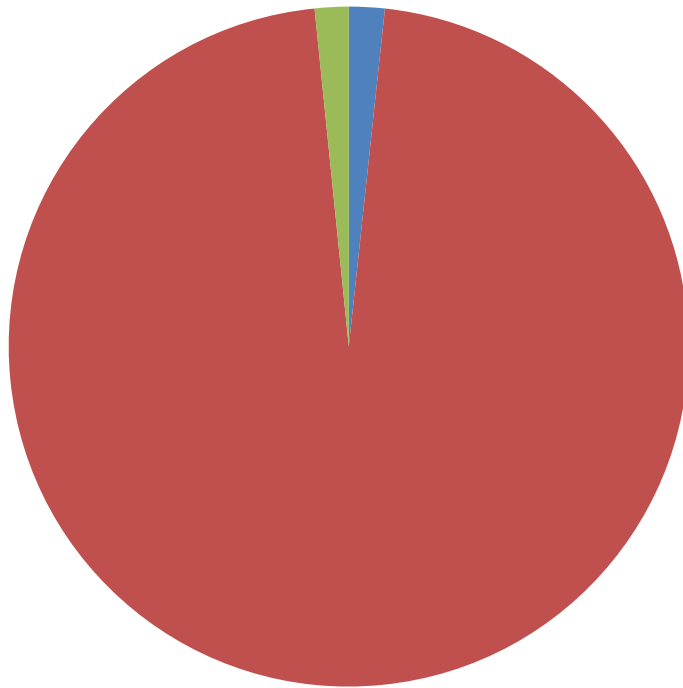
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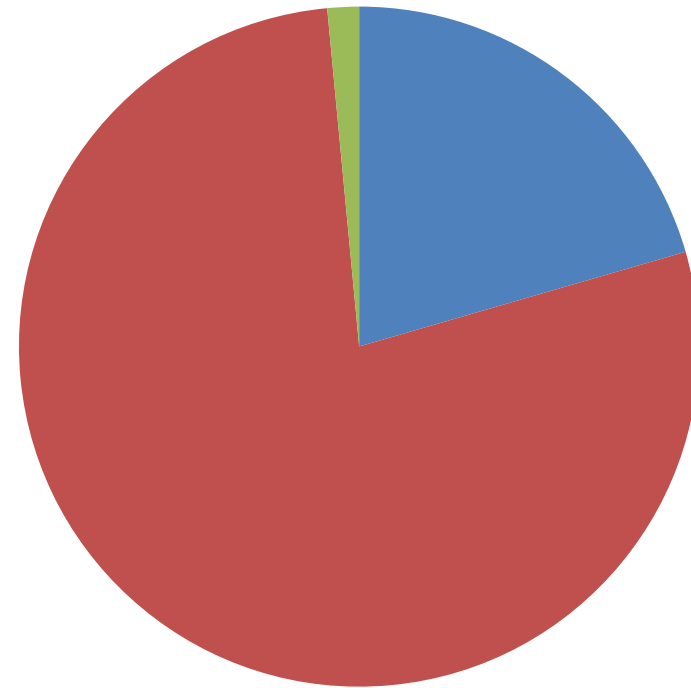
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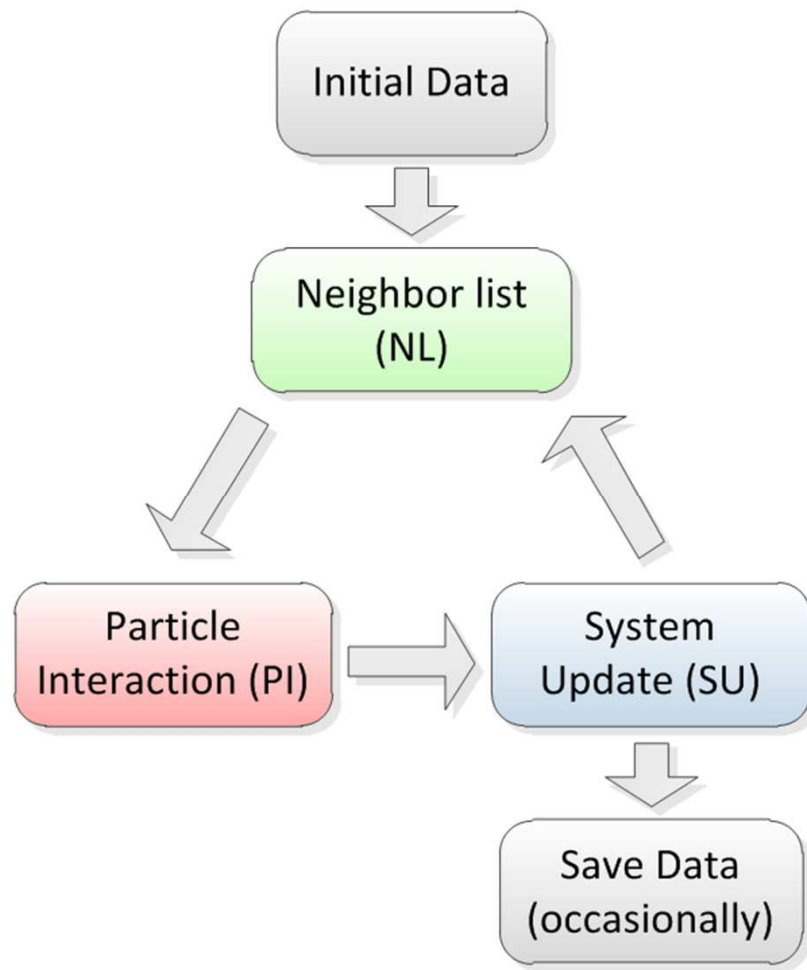


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# Multi-core implementation

## Implementation techniques and optimizations



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Most of the sequential tasks and operations that involve a loop over all particles are performed using the different cores of the same CPU.

Several parts of the SPH code can be parallelized, but mainly, the force calculation since it is the most expensive part of the method.

Problems with this parallel programming;

- the concurrent access to the same memory positions for read-write giving rise to unexpected results.
- the load balancing to distribute equally the work among threads.

# Multi-core implementation

## Implementation techniques and optimizations

Symmetry in particle interaction

SSE instructions

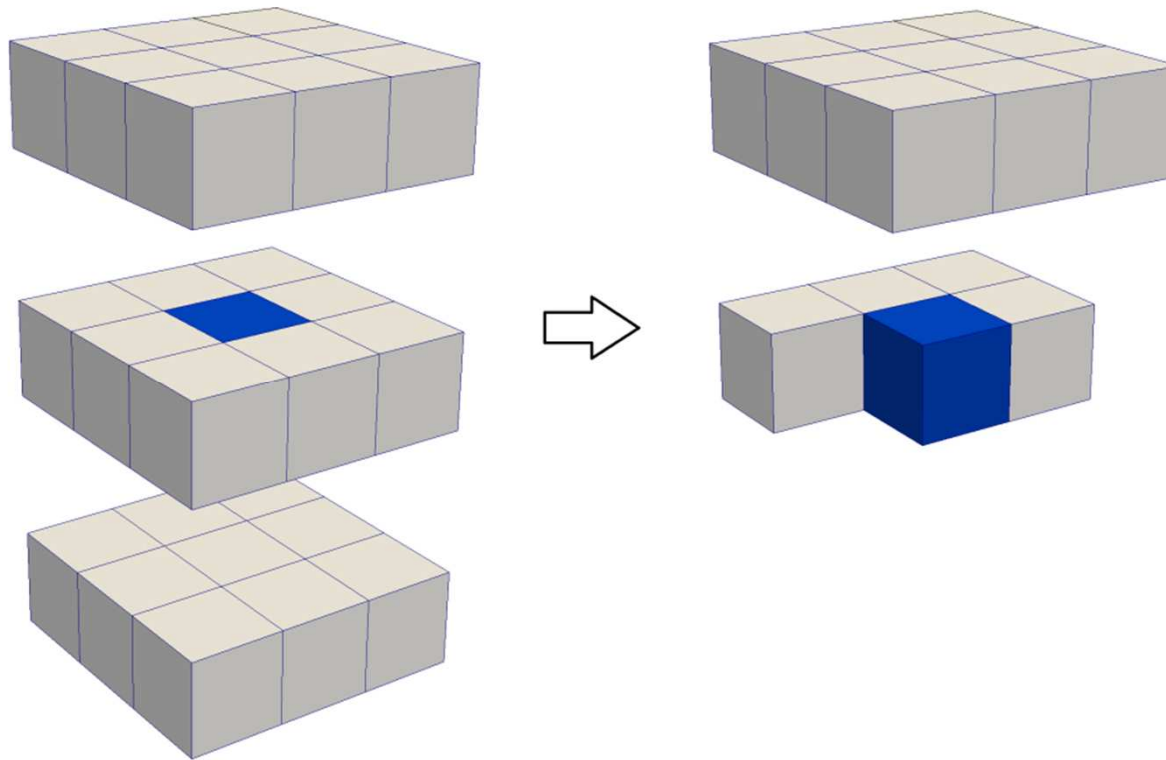
Dynamic load balancing

# Multi-core implementation

## Implementation techniques and optimizations

### Symmetry in particle interaction:

The concurrent access to memory to write is avoided since each thread has its own memory space where the forces of each particle are accumulated.



In 3D, each cell interacts with 14 cells (right) instead of 27 (left).

# Multi-core implementation

## Implementation techniques and optimizations

### SSE instructions

```
for(i=ibegin;i<iend;i++){
    for(j=jbegin;j<jend;j++){
        if(Distance between particle[i] and particle[j] < 2h) ComputeForces(i,j);
    }
}

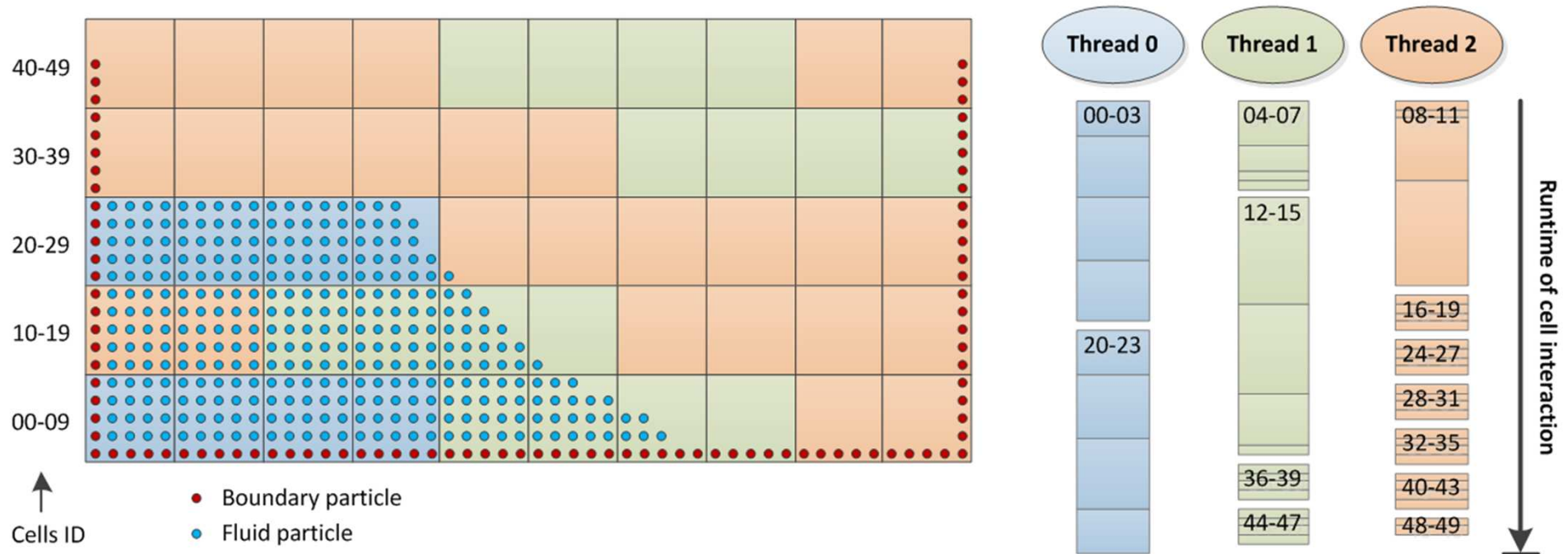
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        if(Distance between particle[i] and particle[j] < 2h){
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            npar++;
            if(npar==4){
                ComputeForcesSSE(particlesi,particlesj);
                npar=0;
            }
        }
    }
}
for(int p=0;p<npar;p++) ComputeForces(particlesi[p],particlesj[p]);
```

Pseudocode in C++ of the force computation between particles of two cells without vectorial instructions (up) and grouping in blocks of 4 pair-wise of interaction using SSE instructions (down).

# Multi-core implementation

## Implementation techniques and optimizations

### Dynamic load balancing



The dynamic scheduler of OpenMP is also employed distributing cells in blocks of 10 among different threads.



# Multi-core implementation

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# Multi-core implementation Available hardware

## Desktop

**Intel® Core™ i7 940**  
at 2.93GHz with 4 cores  
with Hyper-threading



**250 EUROS**

## Workstation

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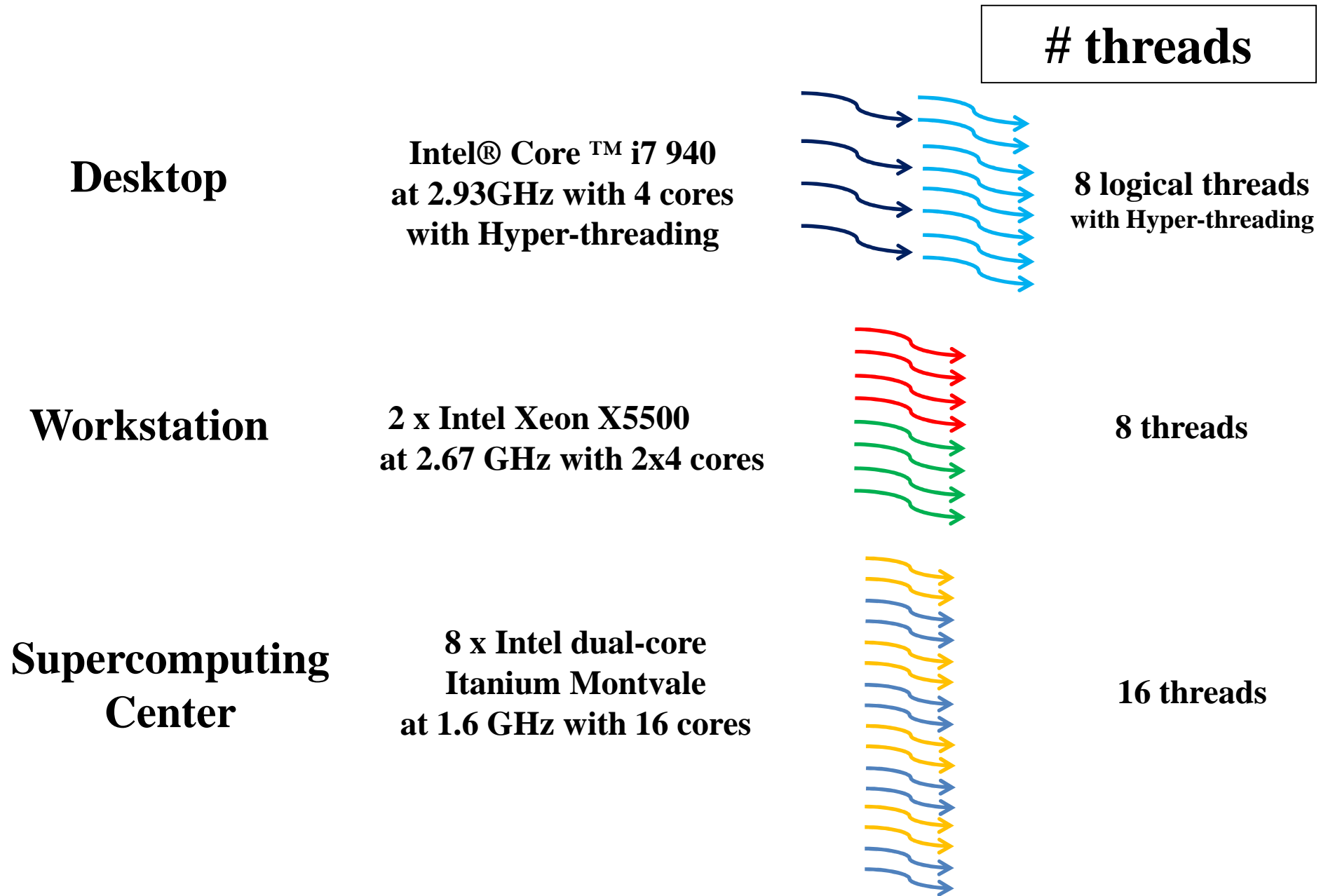
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## Supercomputing Center

**8 x Intel dual-core  
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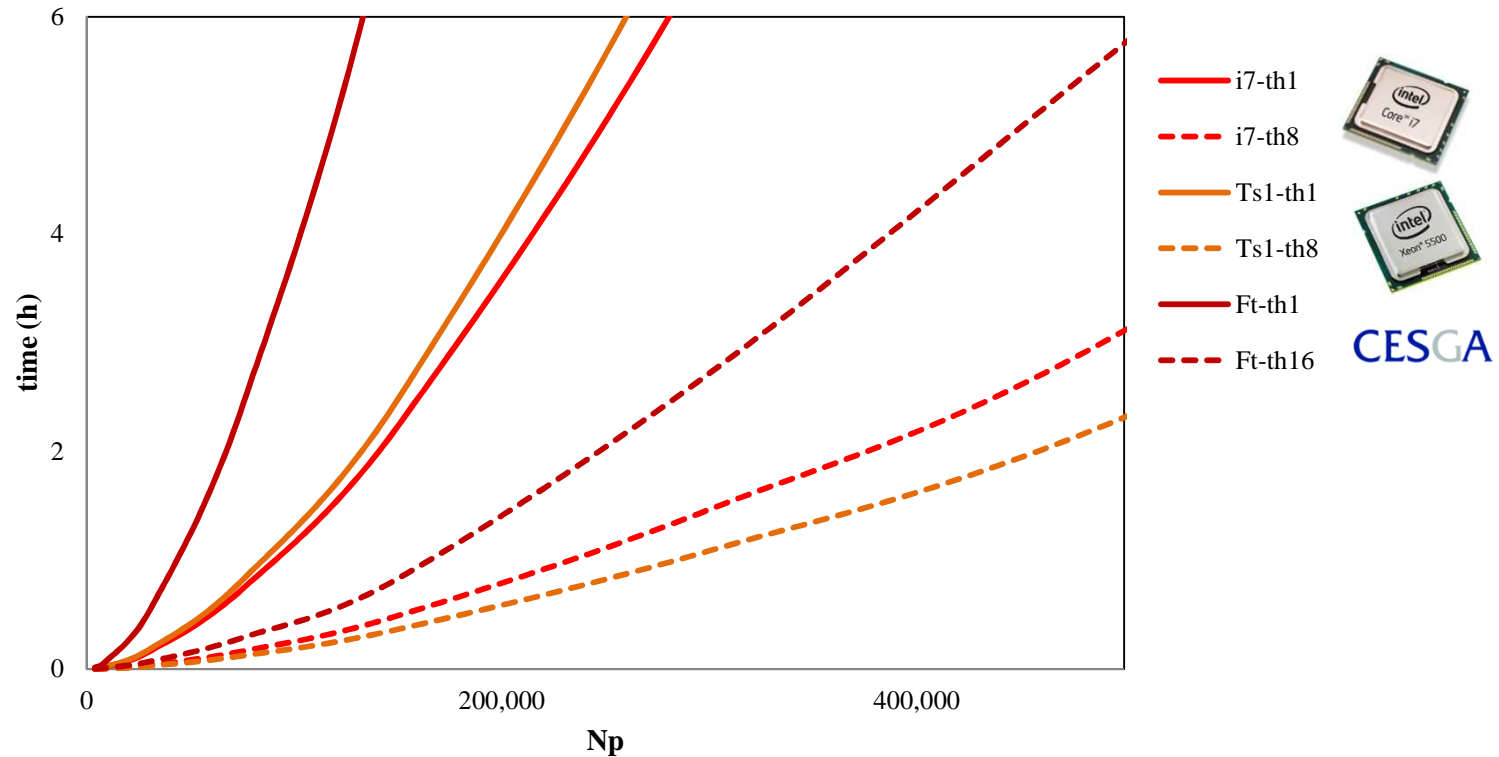
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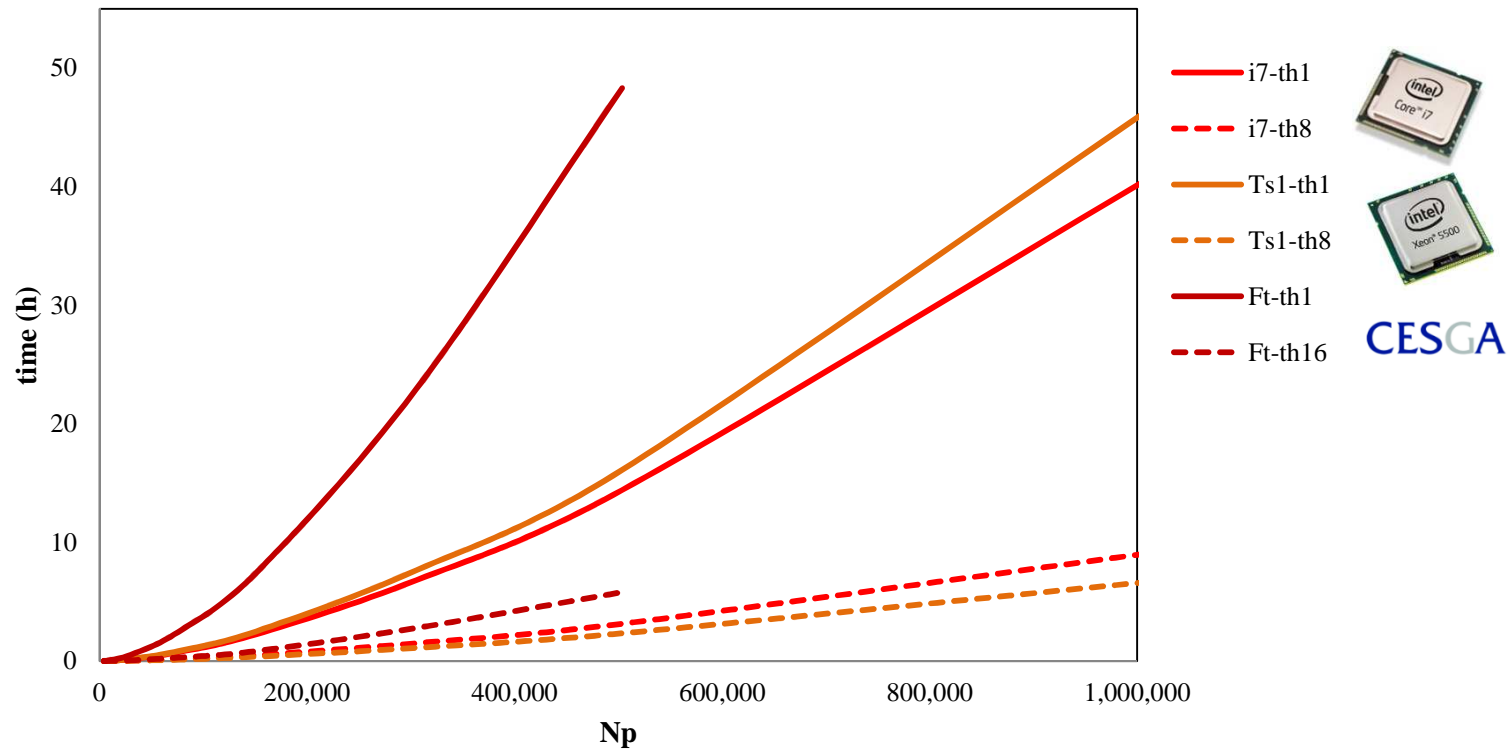
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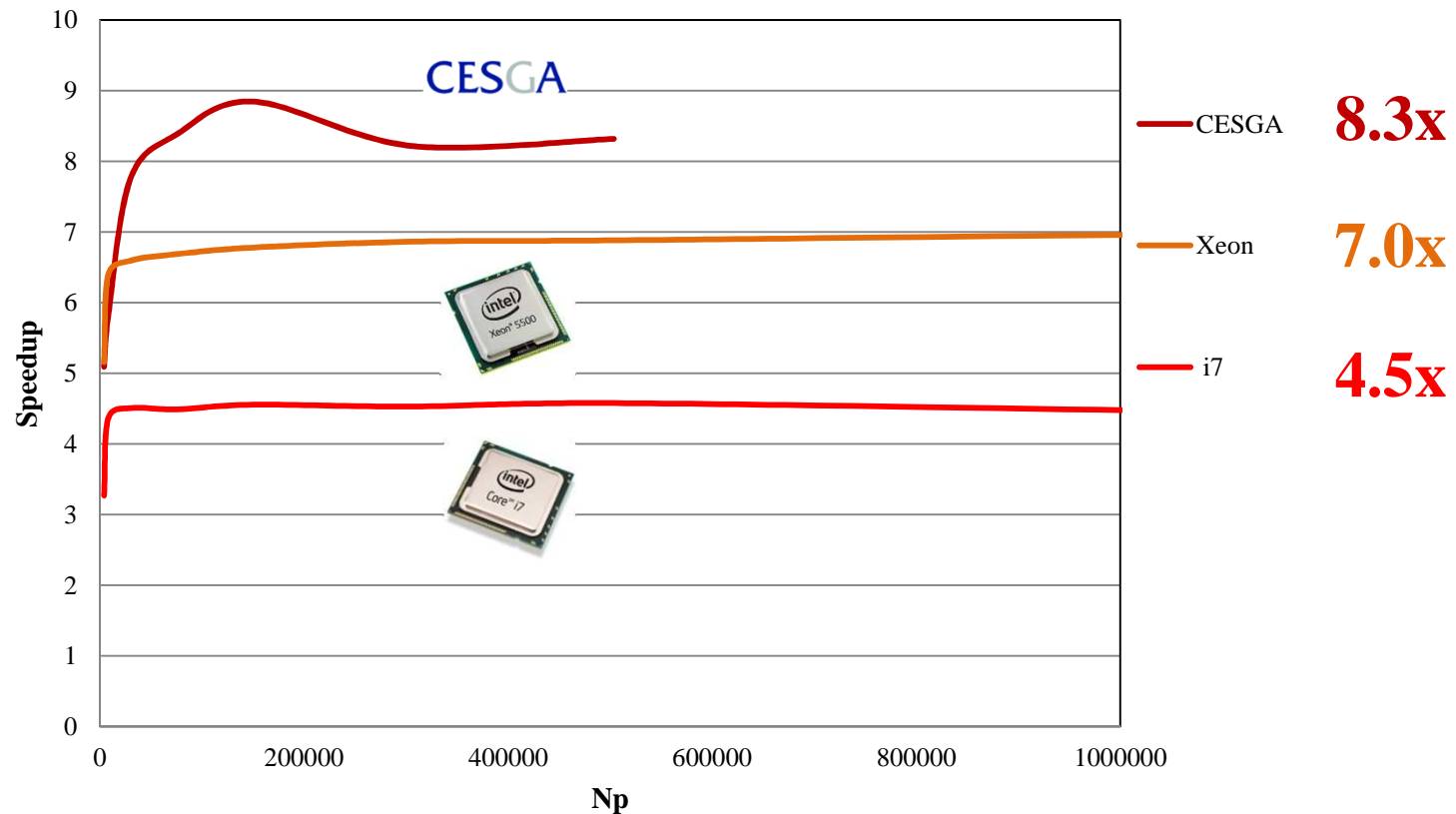
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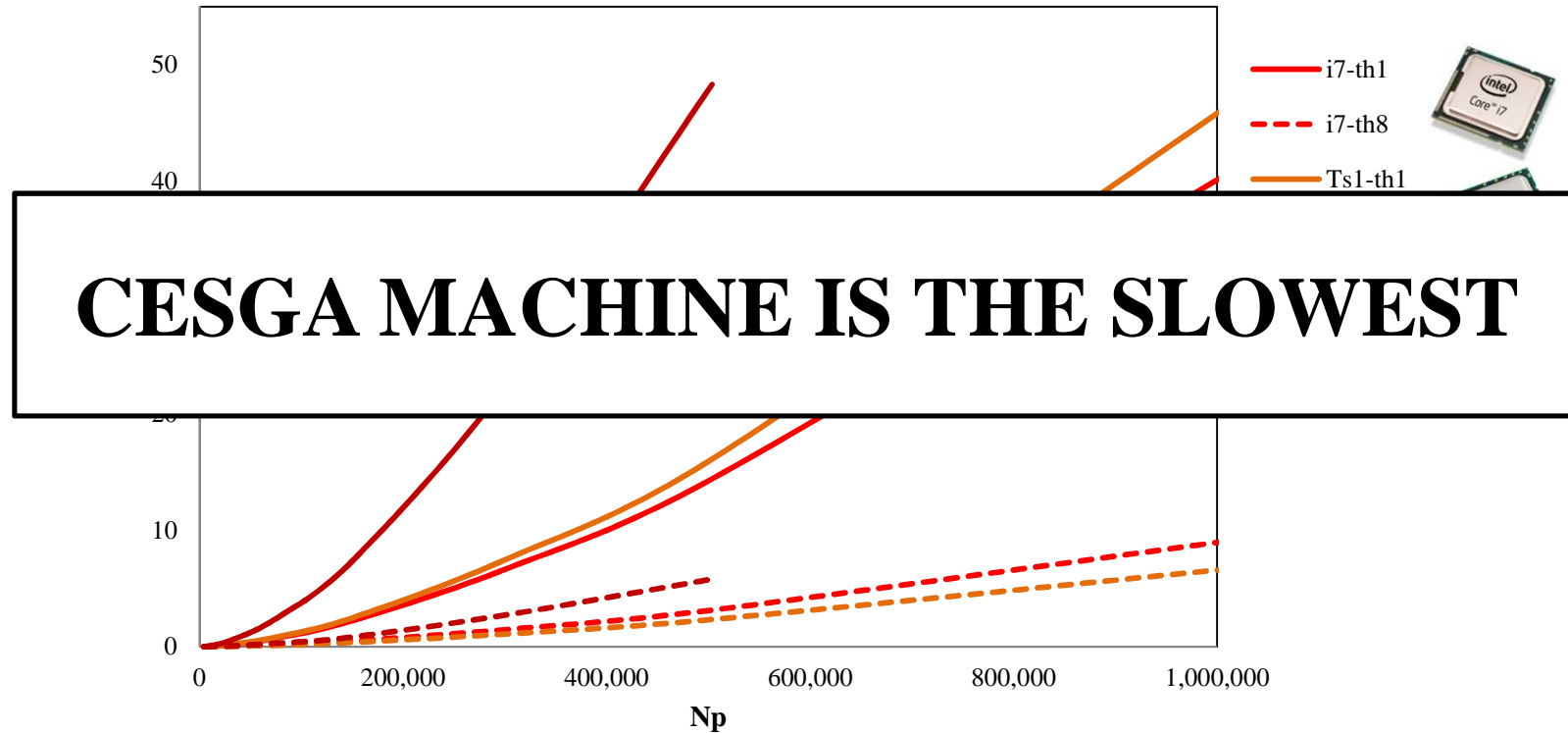


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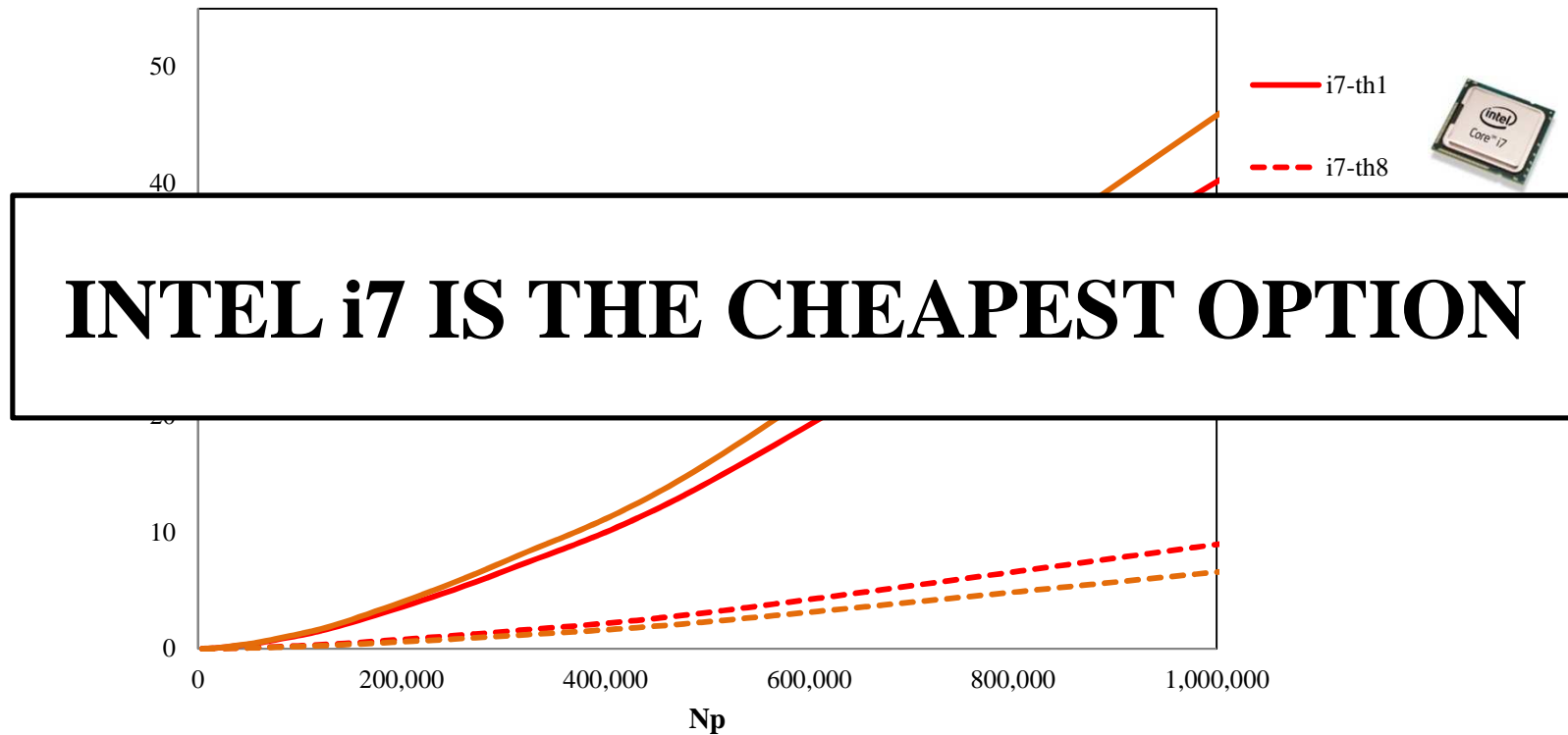
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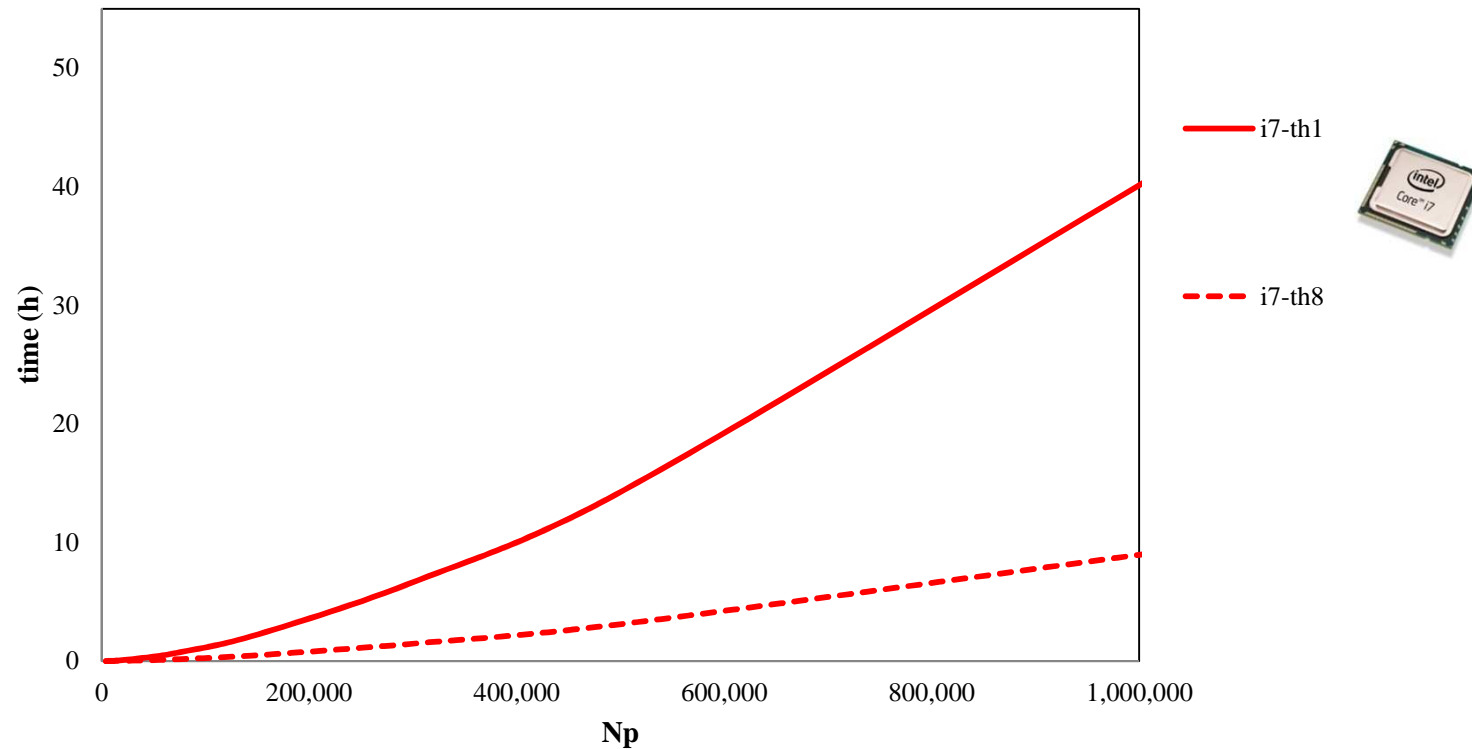
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| 1M   | hours | Speedup vs. 1 CPU | Speedup vs. 4 CPU |
|------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|
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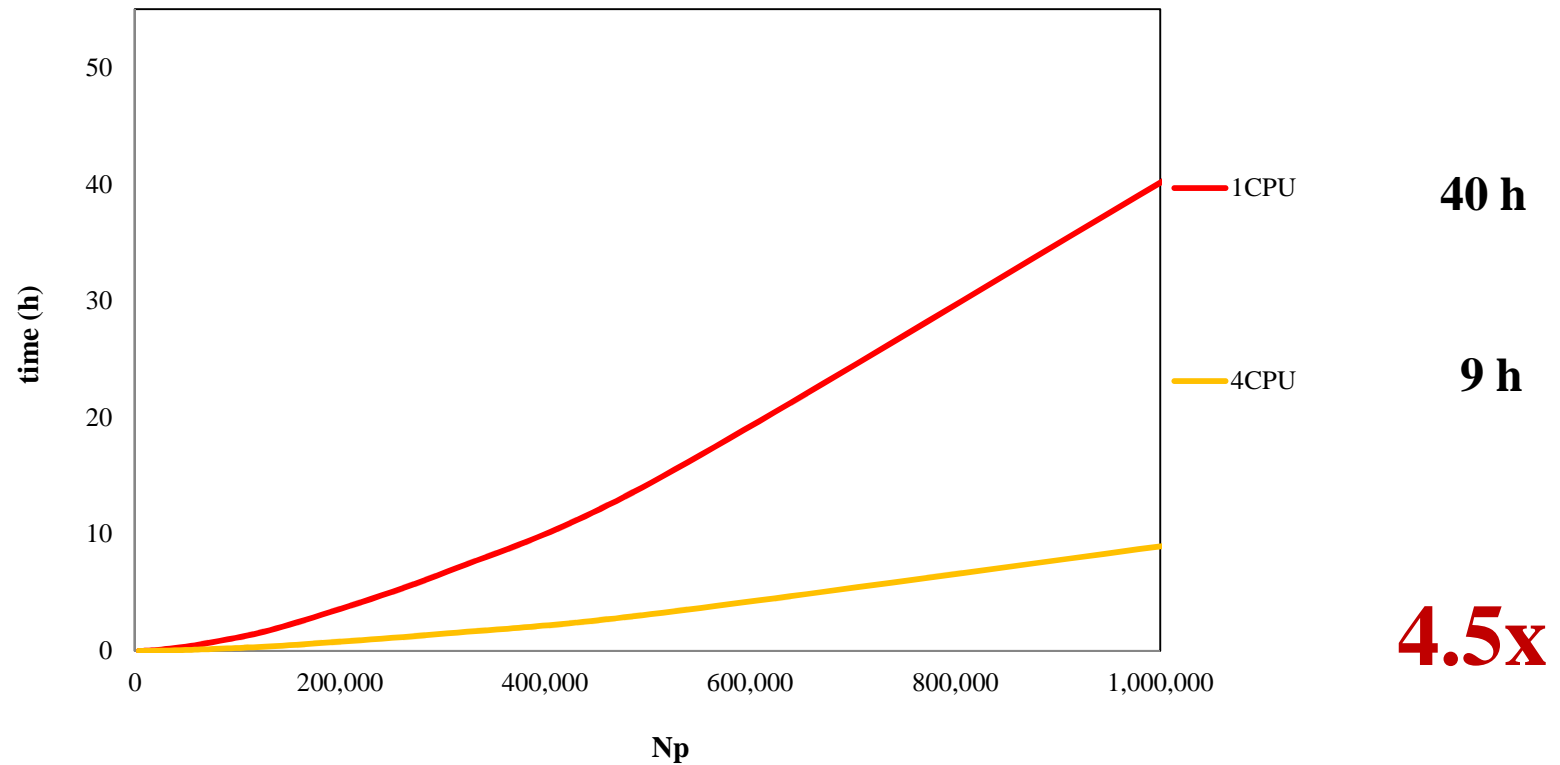
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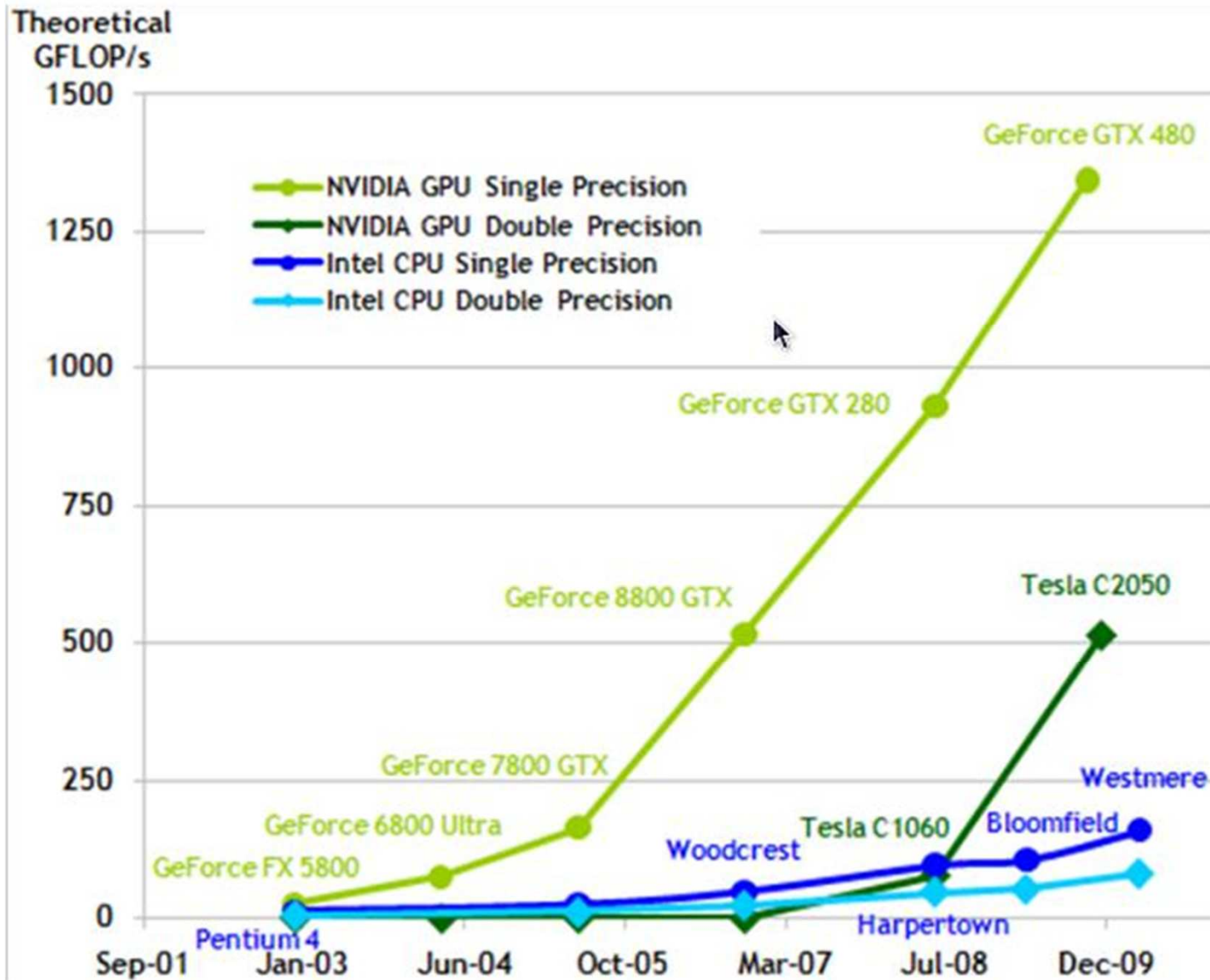
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- GPUs appear to be an **accessible alternative to accelerate SPH** since they are **cheap** and **ease-of-maintenance** in comparison with large cluster machines.
- The GPU parallelisation technique uses the **CUDA developed by NVIDIA**.
- HOWEVER, AN EFFICIENT AND FULL USE OF THE CAPABILITIES OF THE GPU IS NOT STRAIGHTFORWARD.

# Graphics Processing Unit

## General ideas about CUDA:

*Kernel*: code to be executed on GPU

*Thread*: execution task

*Block*: group of threads that executes the kernel

*Grid*: array of blocks that executes the same kernel

*Warp*: active blocks assigned to a multiprocessor

are executed in groups of 32 tasks-threads



# Graphics Processing Unit

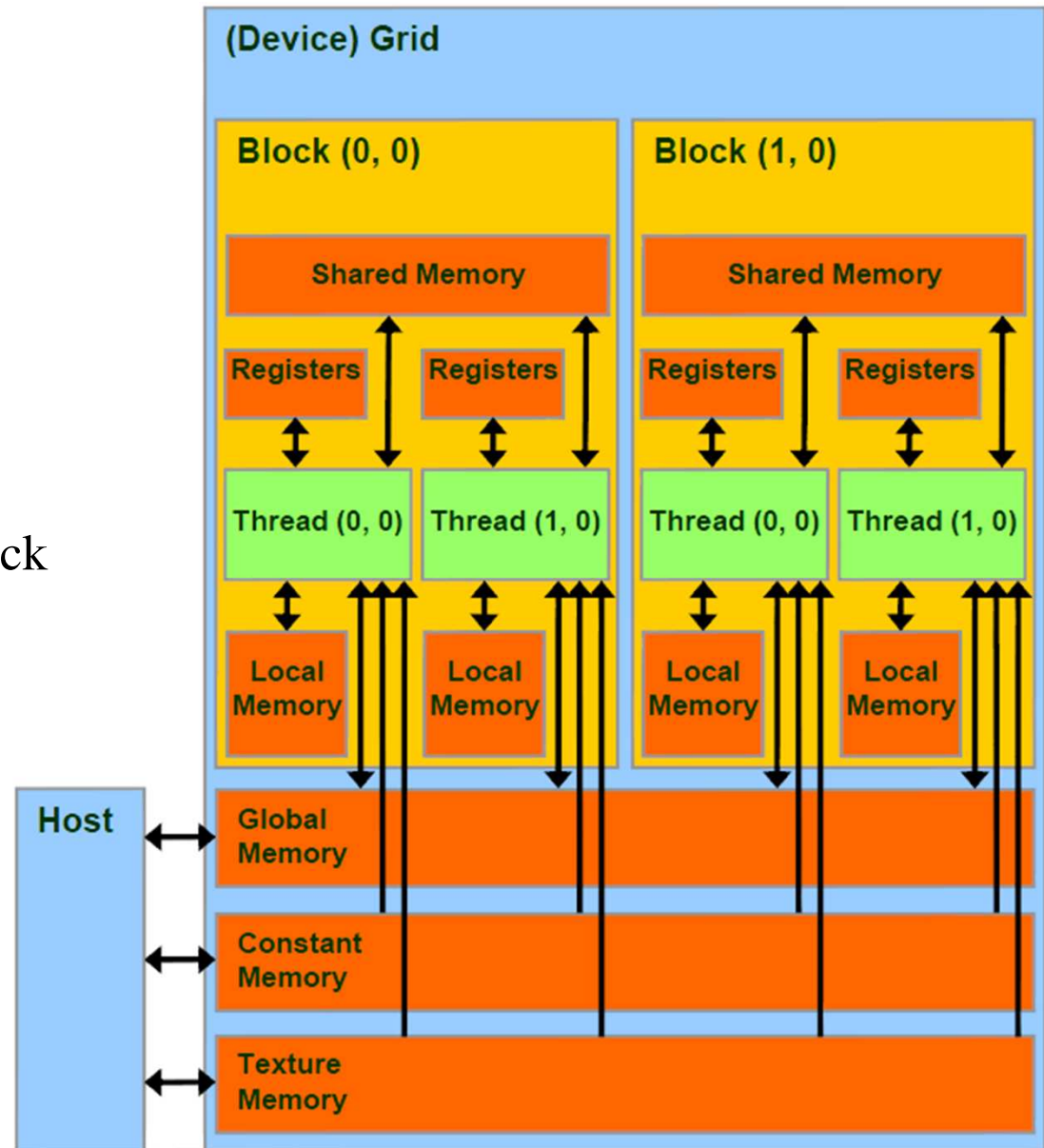
## Memory Architecture

Thread: private *local memory*

Block: *shared memory*  
visible to all threads of the block

All threads have access to the  
same *global memory*

2 read-only memory spaces:  
the *constant memory*  
and *texture memory* spaces



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- Conceptually, an SPH code is an iterative process consisting of three main steps:



## *-neighbour list:*

particles only interact with surrounding particles located at a given distance so the domain is divided in cells of the kernel size to reduce the neighbour search to the adjacent cells;

## *-particle interaction:*

each particle only looks for neighbours at the adjacent cells, after verifying that the distance between particles lies within the support of the kernel, the conservation laws of continuum fluid dynamics are computed for the pair-wise interaction of particles;

## *-system update:*

once the forces between neighbouring particles have been evaluated, all physical magnitudes of the particles are updated at the next time step.

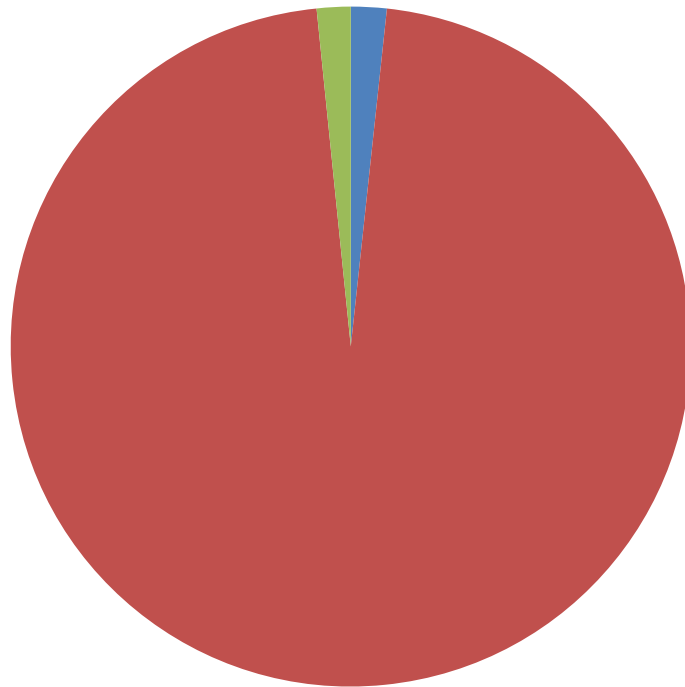
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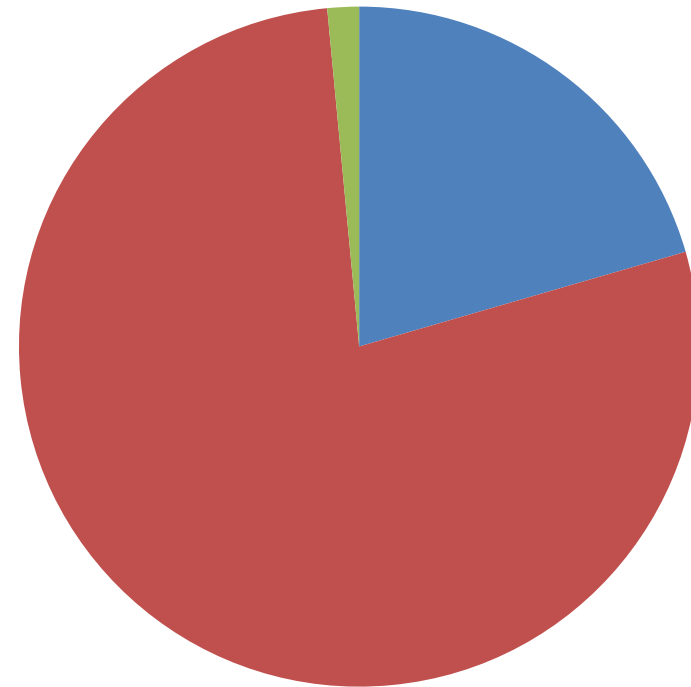
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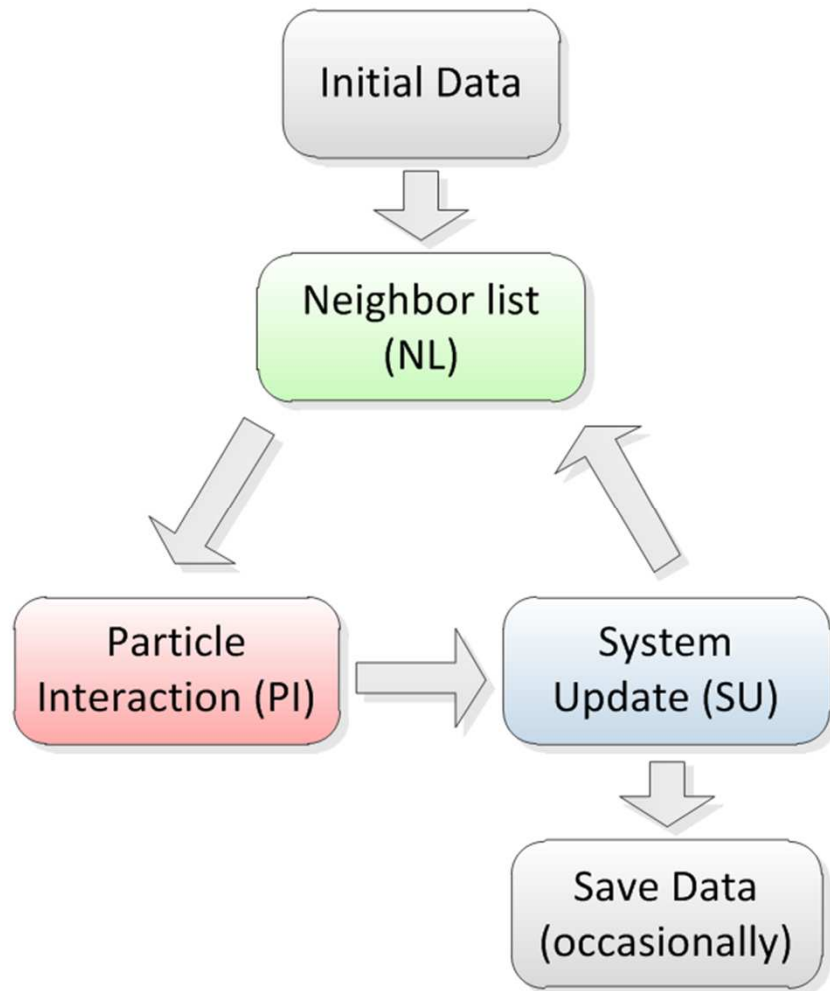
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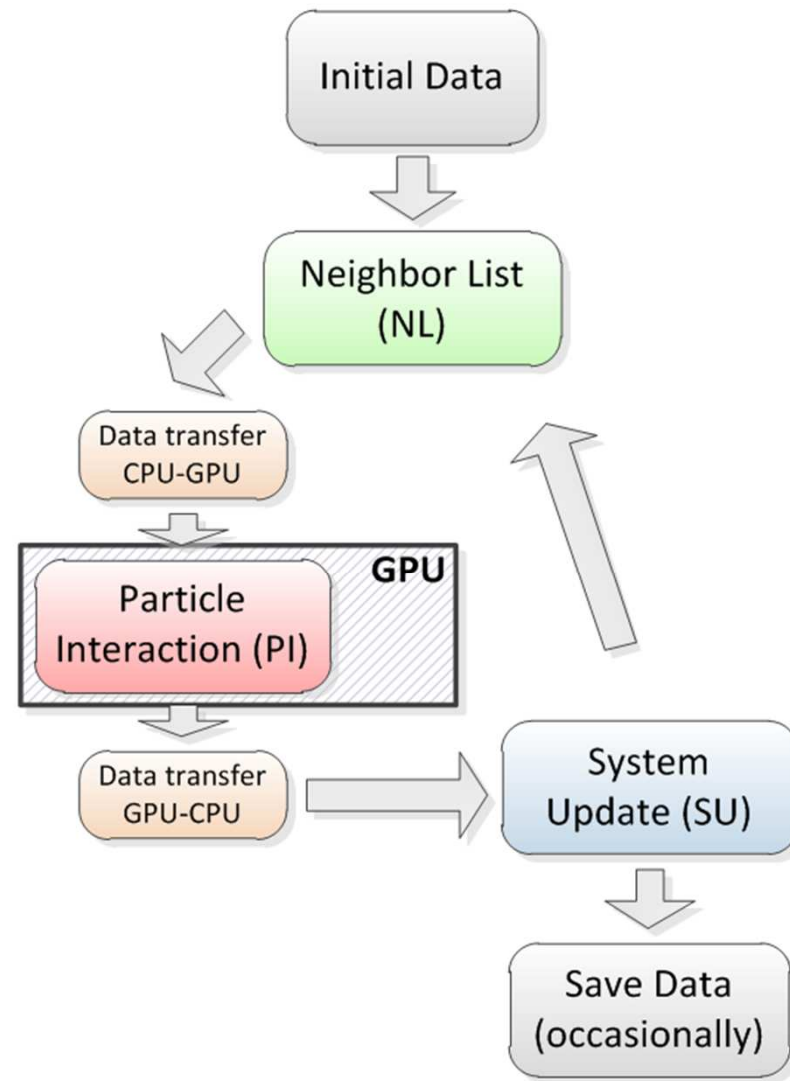
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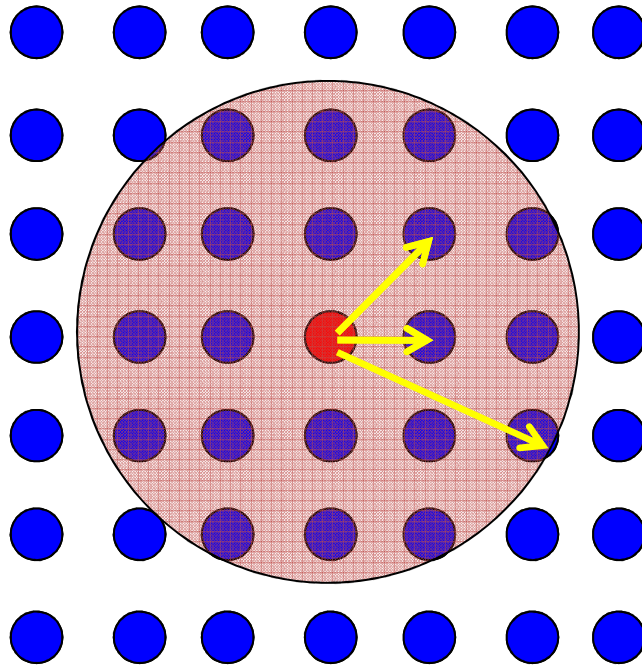


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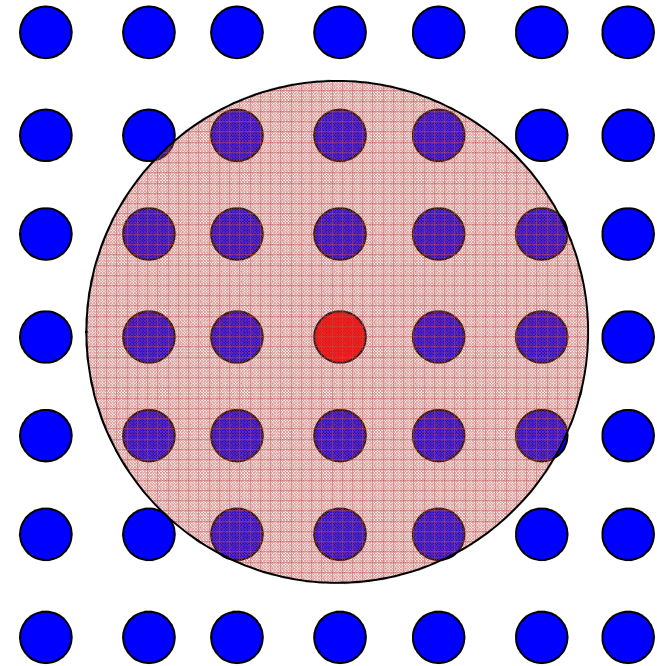
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GPU implementation of PARTICLE INTERACTION:

CPU / C++



GPU / CUDA



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$$i \rightarrow j = 2$$

$$i \rightarrow j = 3$$

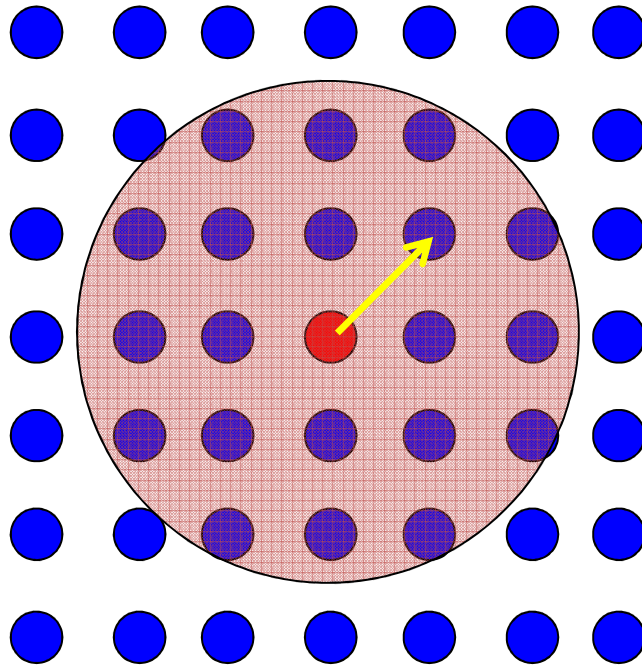
$$\mathbf{a}_{ij=3}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i = \mathbf{a}_{i1} + \mathbf{a}_{i2} + \mathbf{a}_{i3} + \dots$$

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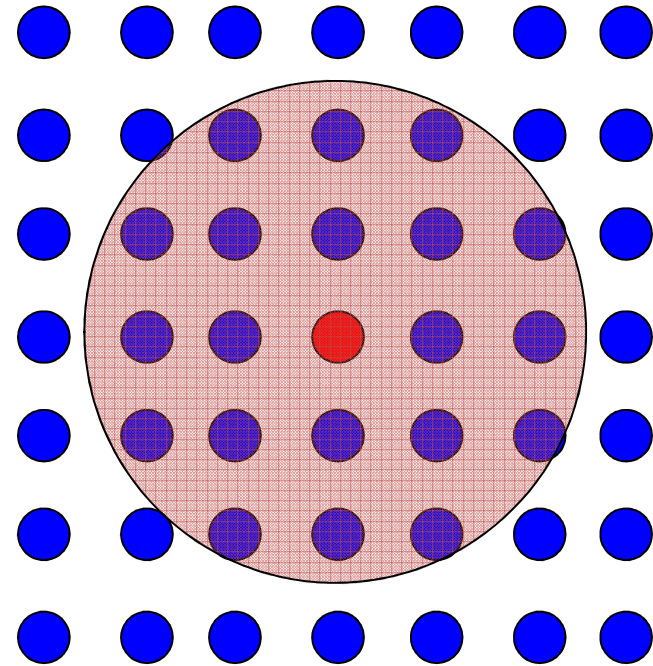
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GPU / CUDA





# GPU implementation

Thread

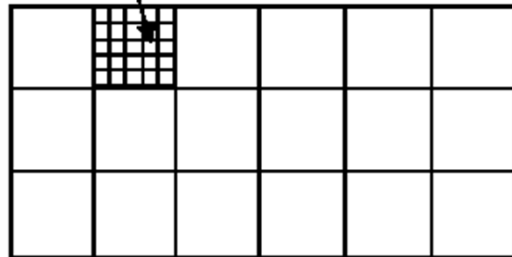
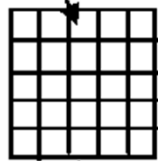
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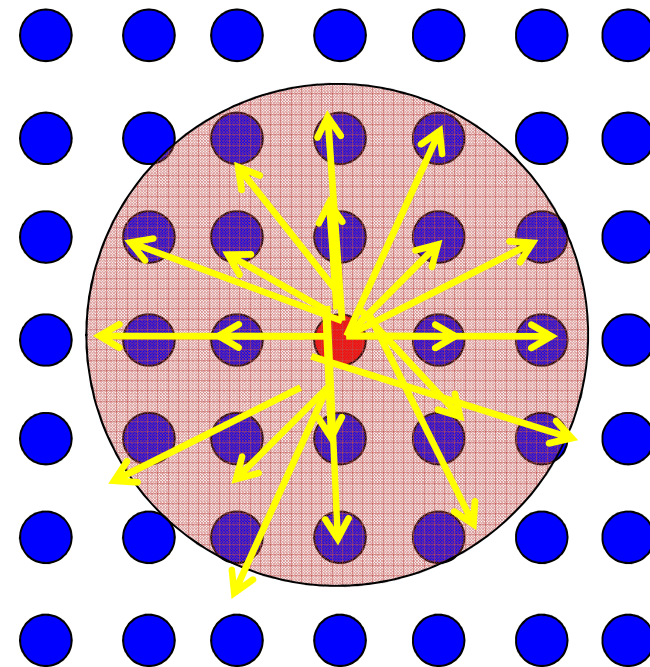
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Grid of Thread Blocks

Result data array



GPU / CUDA



$$\left(\frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt}\right)_i = - \sum_j m_j \left( \frac{p_j}{\rho_j^2} + \frac{p_i}{\rho_i^2} \right) \nabla_i W_{ij} + \mathbf{g}$$

$i \rightarrow j$

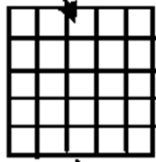
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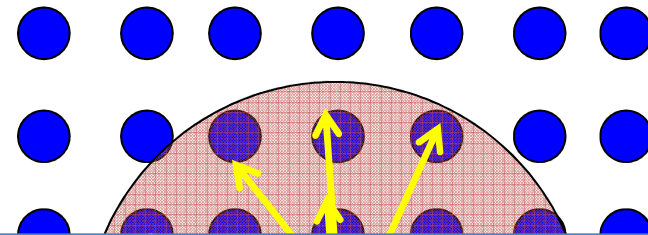
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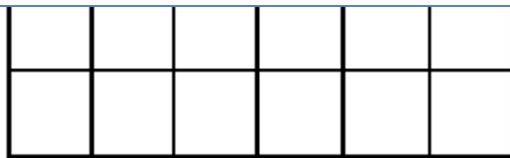
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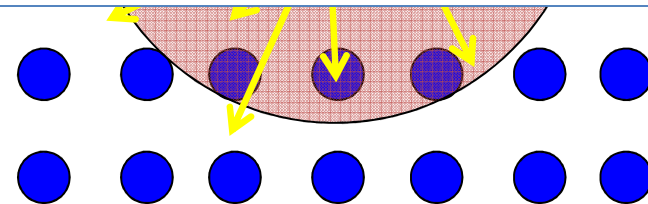
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Particle interaction can be implemented on GPU considering **one execution thread to compute, for only one particle, the force resulting from the interaction with all its neighbours.**



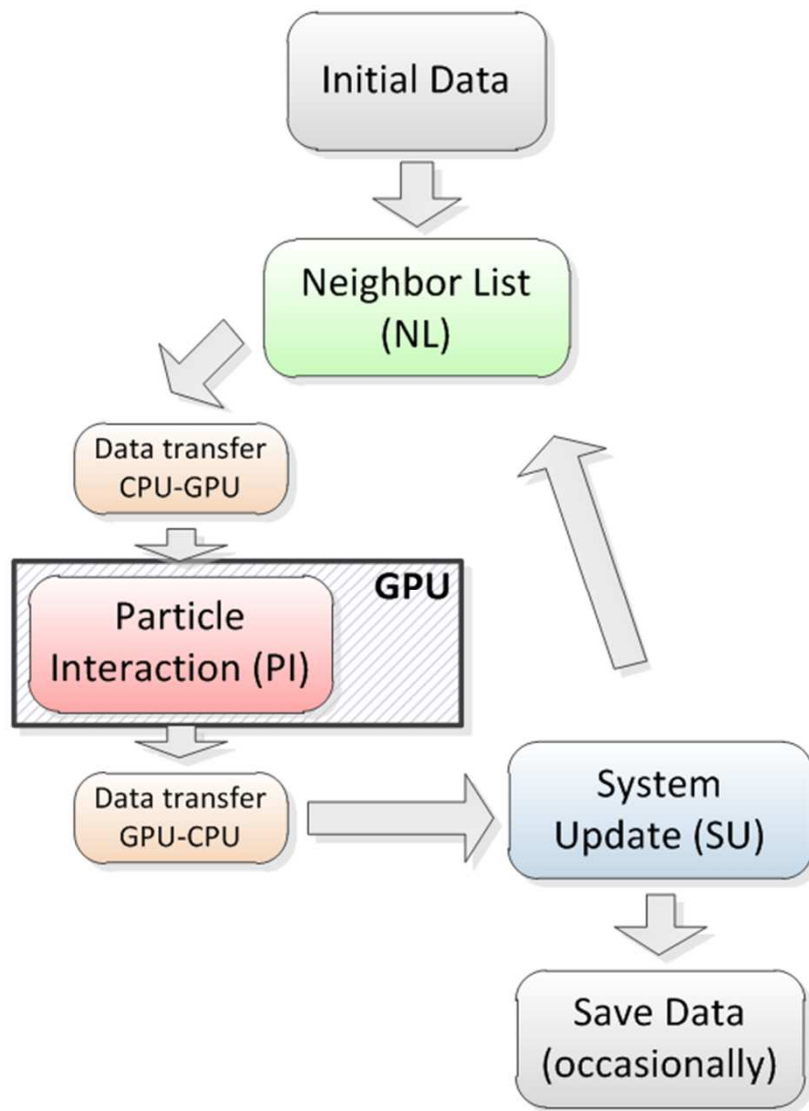
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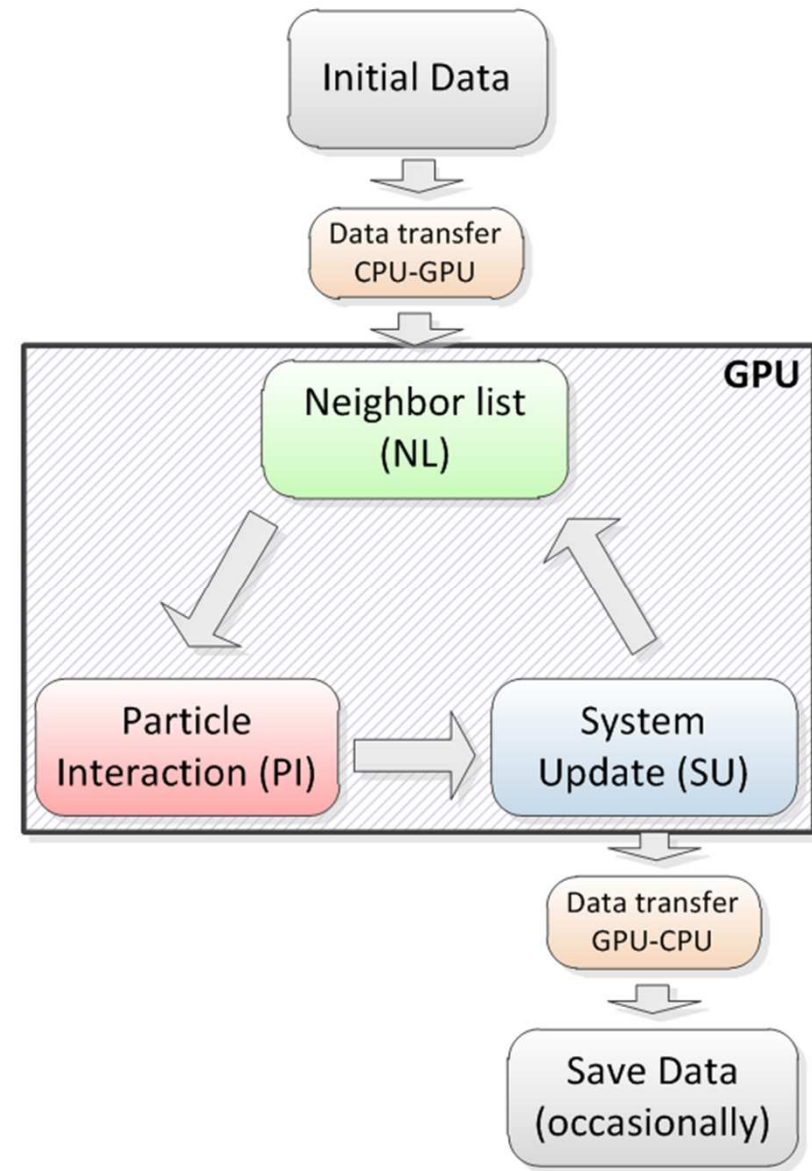
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Conceptual diagram of the **partial GPU** implementation of a SPH code



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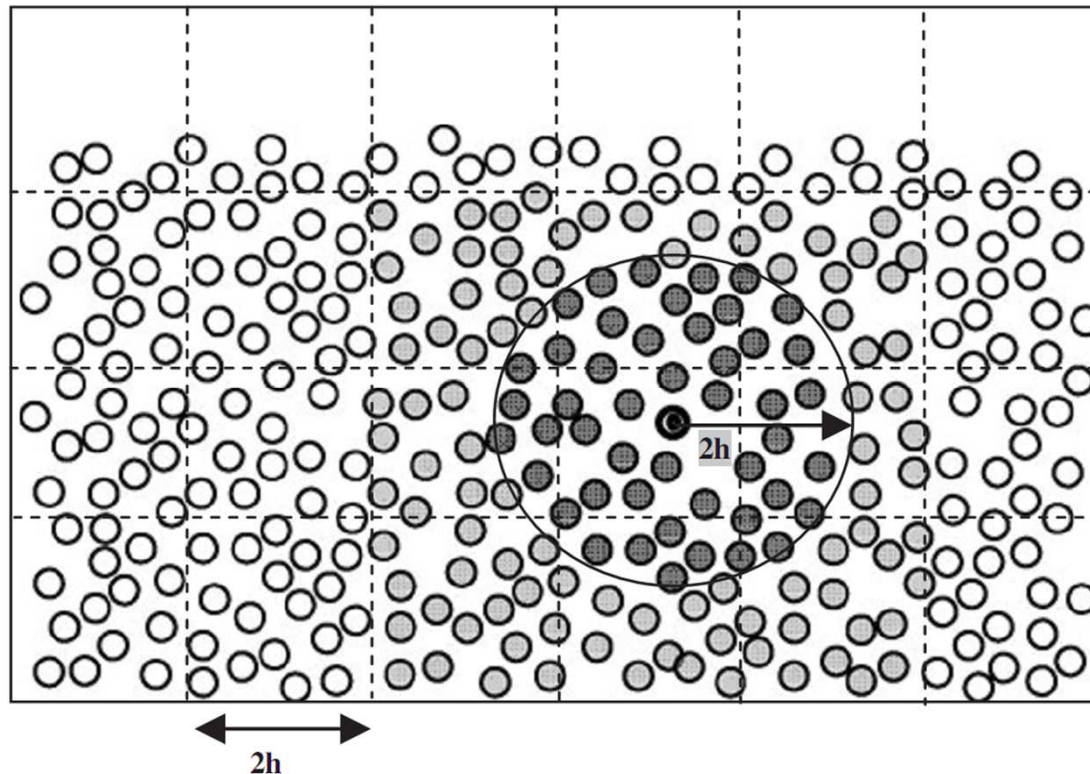
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## GPU implementation of NEIGHBOUR LIST:

*Cell-linked list*, divided in different operations:

- (i) domain division into square cells of side  $2h$ , (or the size of the kernel domain)
- (ii) determining the cell to which each particle belongs,
- (iii) reordering the particles according to the cells (*radixsort algorithm by CUDA*)
- (iv) ordering all arrays with data associated to each particle and, finally
- (v) generating an array with the position index of the first particle of each cell.



# GPU implementation

## GPU implementation of SYSTEM UPDATE:

This process consists on tasks that can be easily parallelized as updating the values of all particle data for the next time step.

We need:

- the current particle data
- acceleration and density derivative
- computing the new value of the time step according to Monaghan and Kos (1999)
- the maximum and minimum values of different variables (force, velocity and sound speed) are calculated using the *reduction algorithm by CUDA*.

# GPU implementation

## RECIPES TO COOK SPH-GPU

### Basic strategies for Performance Optimization

Expose as much parallelism as possible

Minimize CPU ↔ GPU data transfers

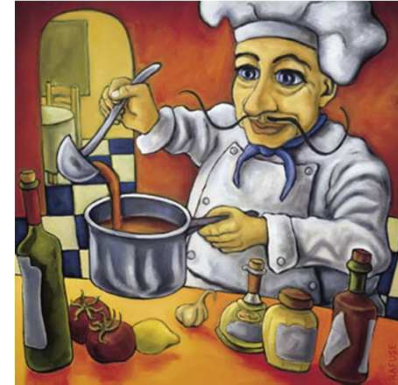
Optimize memory usage for maximum bandwidth

Minimize divergent warps

Optimize memory access patterns

Avoiding non-coalesced accesses

Maximize occupancy to hide latency



# Graphics Processing Unit

## **PROBLEMS TO BE SOLVED:**

**-Memory usage**

**-Divergence**

**-Coalescence**

**-Occupancy**



# Graphics Processing Unit

## Memory usage

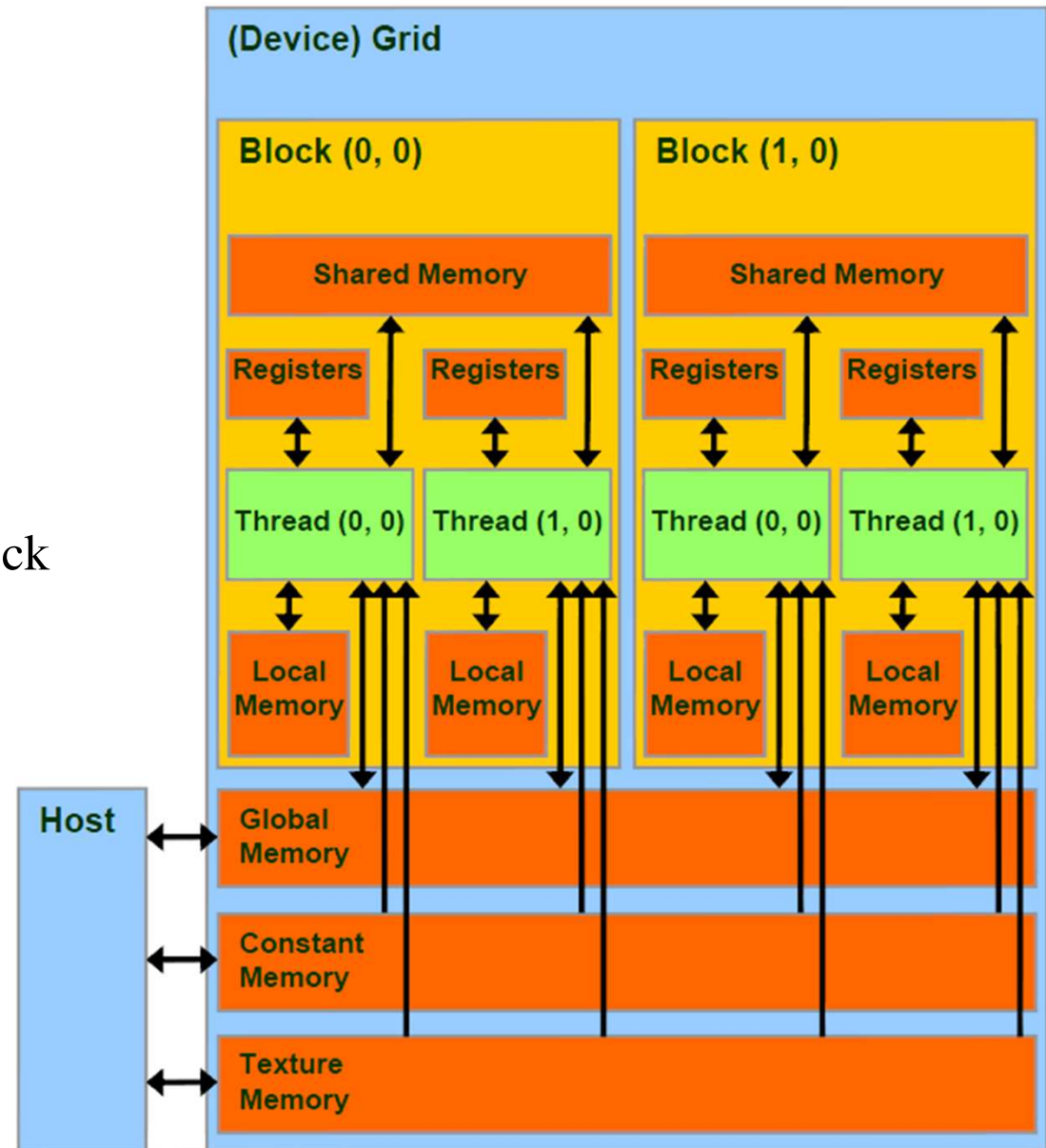
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2 read-only memory spaces:  
the *constant memory*  
and *texture memory* spaces



# Graphics Processing Unit

## Divergence

GPU threads are grouped in sets of 32 named *warps* (CUDA language).

When a task is being executed over a warp, the **32 threads carry out this task simultaneously**.

However, **due to conditional flow instructions in the code**, not all the threads will perform the same operation, so **the different tasks are executed in a sequential way** giving rise to a high loss of efficiency.

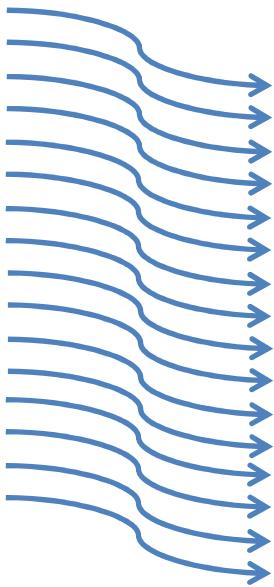
This divergence problem appears during **particle interaction** since each thread has to evaluate what potential neighbors are real neighbors of the particle before computing the force

# Graphics Processing Unit

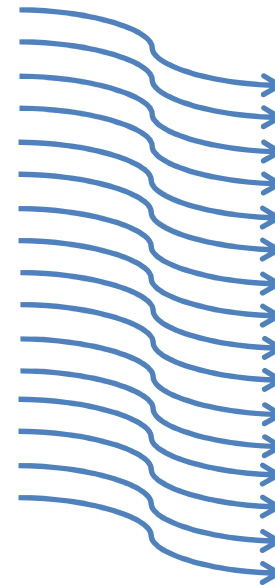
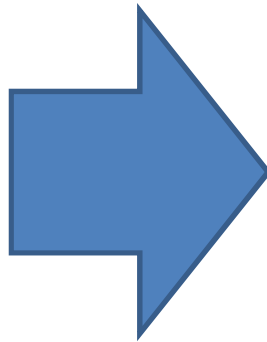
## Divergence

*each colour represents a task*

**NO DIVERGENT WARPS**



16 threads executing the  
same task over 16 values



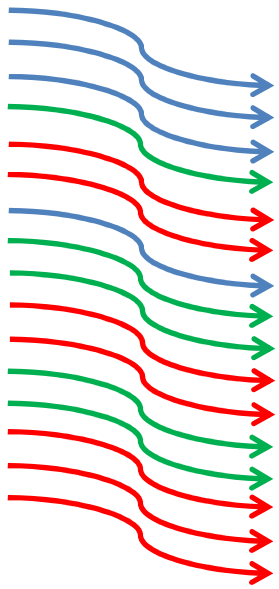
16 threads executed  
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# Graphics Processing Unit

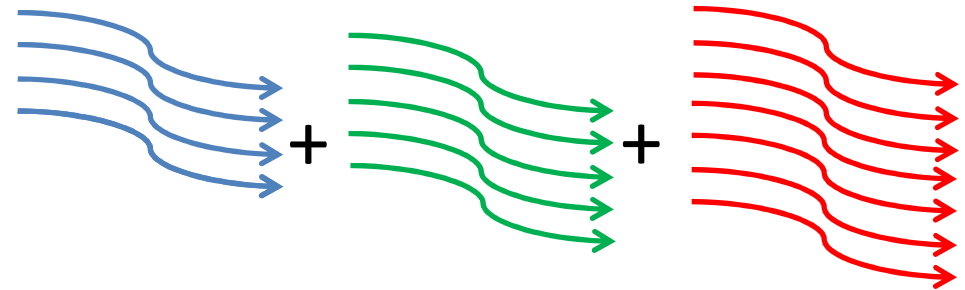
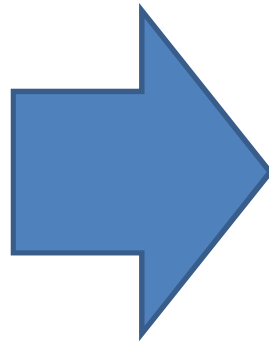
## Divergence

*each colour represents a task*

### DIVERGENT WARPS !!!



16 threads executing  
**three** different tasks (IF)  
over 16 values



execution of the 16 threads  
will take the runtime needed to carry out  
the three tasks **sequentially**

# Graphics Processing Unit

## Coalescence

The global **memory of the GPU is accessed in blocks of 32, 64 or 128 bytes**, so the number of accesses to satisfy a warp depends on how grouped data are.

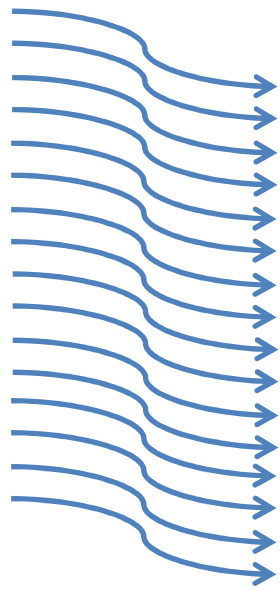
**In particle interaction,**

although particle data are reordered according to the cells they belong to, a regular memory access is not possible since each particle has different neighbors and **therefore each thread will access to different memory positions**, which may, eventually, be far from the rest of the positions in the warp.

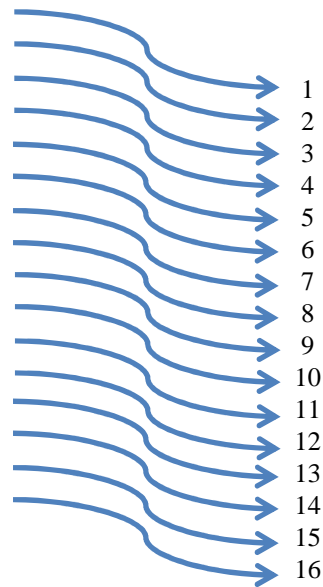
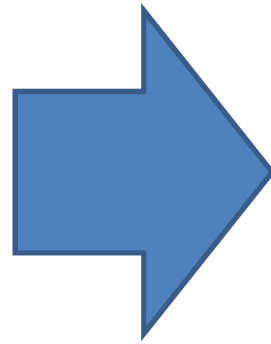
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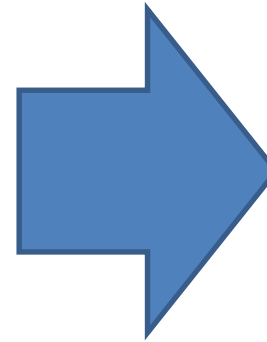
### COALESCED ACCESS



16 threads executing  
over 16 values



16 values stored in  
16 consecutive memory positions

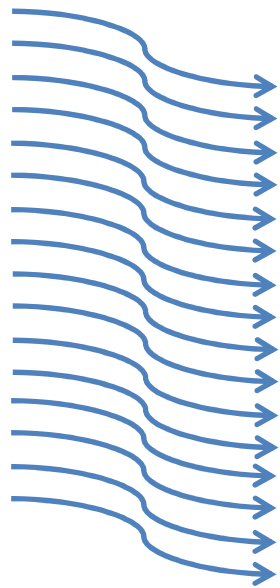


Only 1 access to  
memory is required

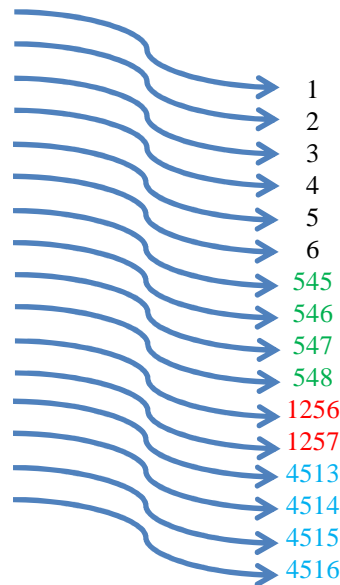
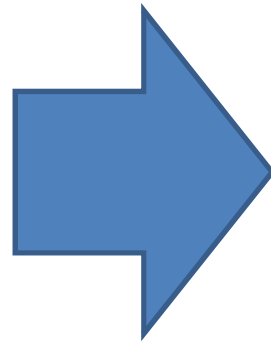
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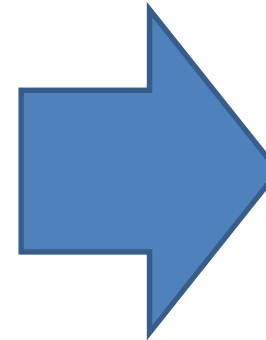
### NON COALESCED ACCESS



16 threads executing  
over 16 values



16 values stored in  
different memory positions



**4** memory accesses  
are required

# Graphics Processing Unit

## Occupancy

Occupancy is **the ratio of active warps to the maximum number of warps supported on a multiprocessor** of the GPU or Streaming Multiprocessor (SM).

Since the access to the GPU global memory is very irregular during the particle interaction, it is **essential to have the largest number of active warps** in order to hide the latencies of memory access and maintain the hardware as busy as possible.

The **number of active warps depends on** the registers required for the CUDA kernel, the GPU specifications and the number of threads per block.



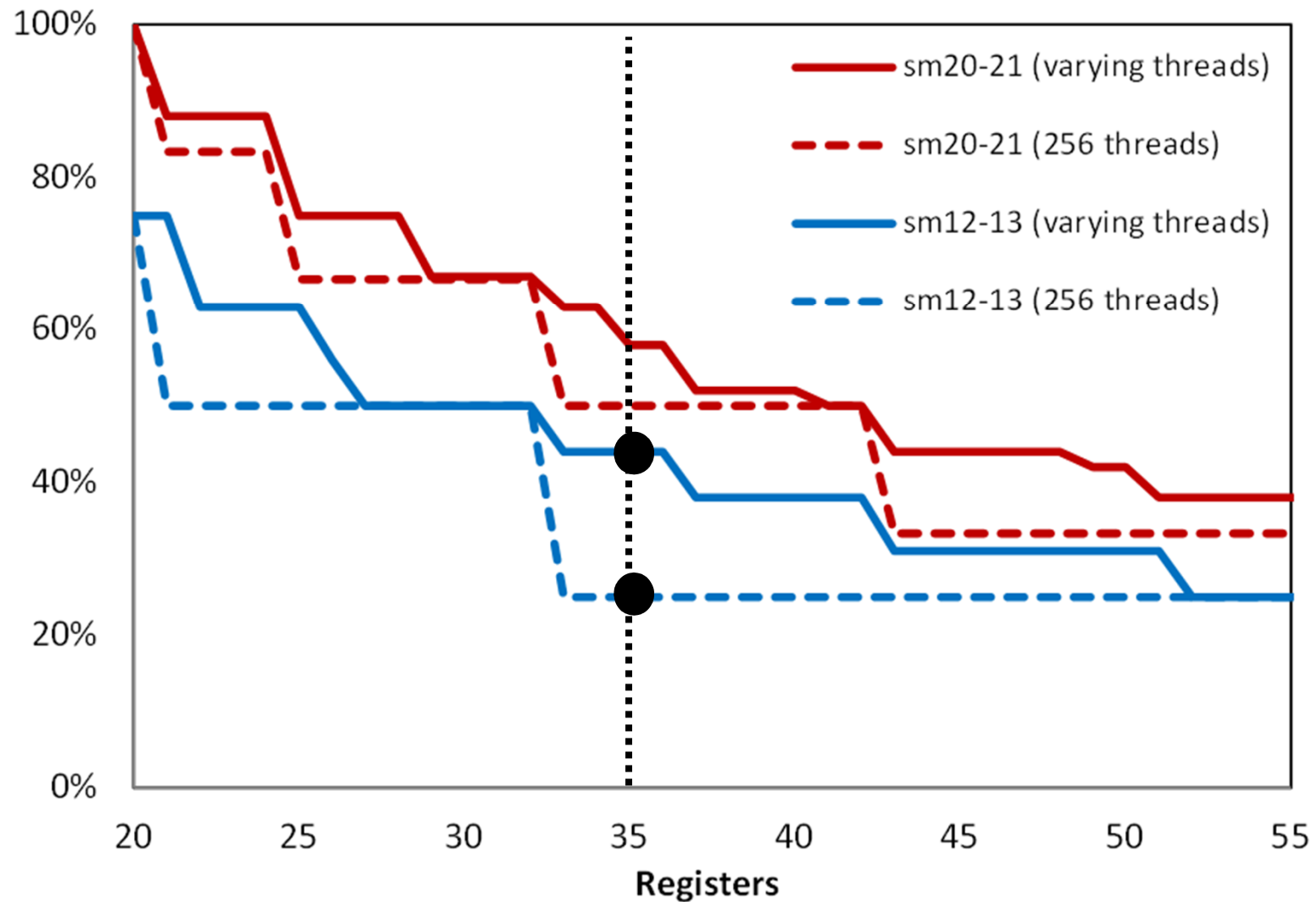
# Graphics Processing Unit

## Occupancy

| <i>Technical specifications</i> | <b>1.0</b> | <b>1.1</b> | <b>1.2</b> | <b>1.3</b> | <b>2.x</b> |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Max. of threads per block       | 512        |            |            |            | 1024       |
| Max. of resident blocks per SM  | 8          |            |            |            |            |
| Max. of resident warps per SM   | 24         |            | 32         |            | 48         |
| Max. of resident threads per SM | 768        |            | 1024       |            | 1536       |
| Max. of 32-bit registers per SM | 8 K        |            | 16 K       |            | 32 K       |

# Graphics Processing Unit

## Occupancy



# GPU implementation

## RECIPES TO COOK SPH-GPU

### Basic strategies for Performance Optimization

Expose as much parallelism as possible

Minimize CPU ↔ GPU data transfers

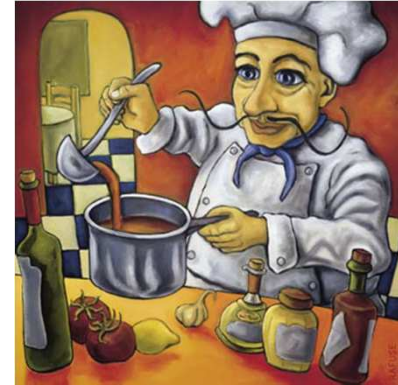
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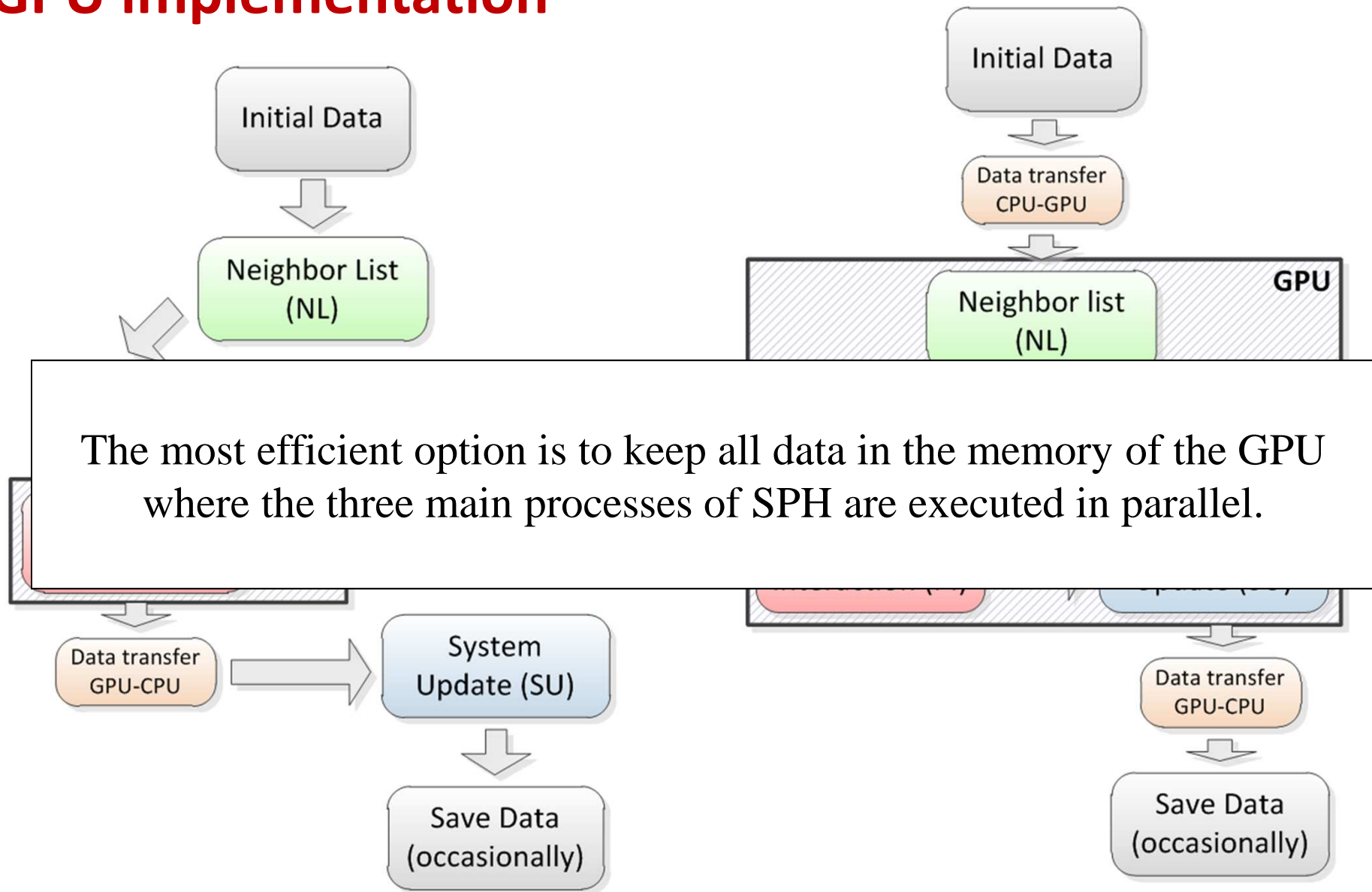
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# GPU implementation



Conceptual diagram of the **partial GPU** implementation of a SPH code

Conceptual diagram of the **full GPU** implementation of a SPH code

# GPU implementation

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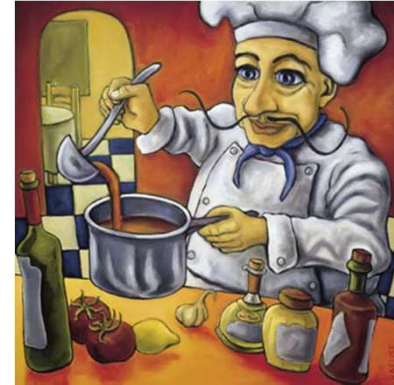
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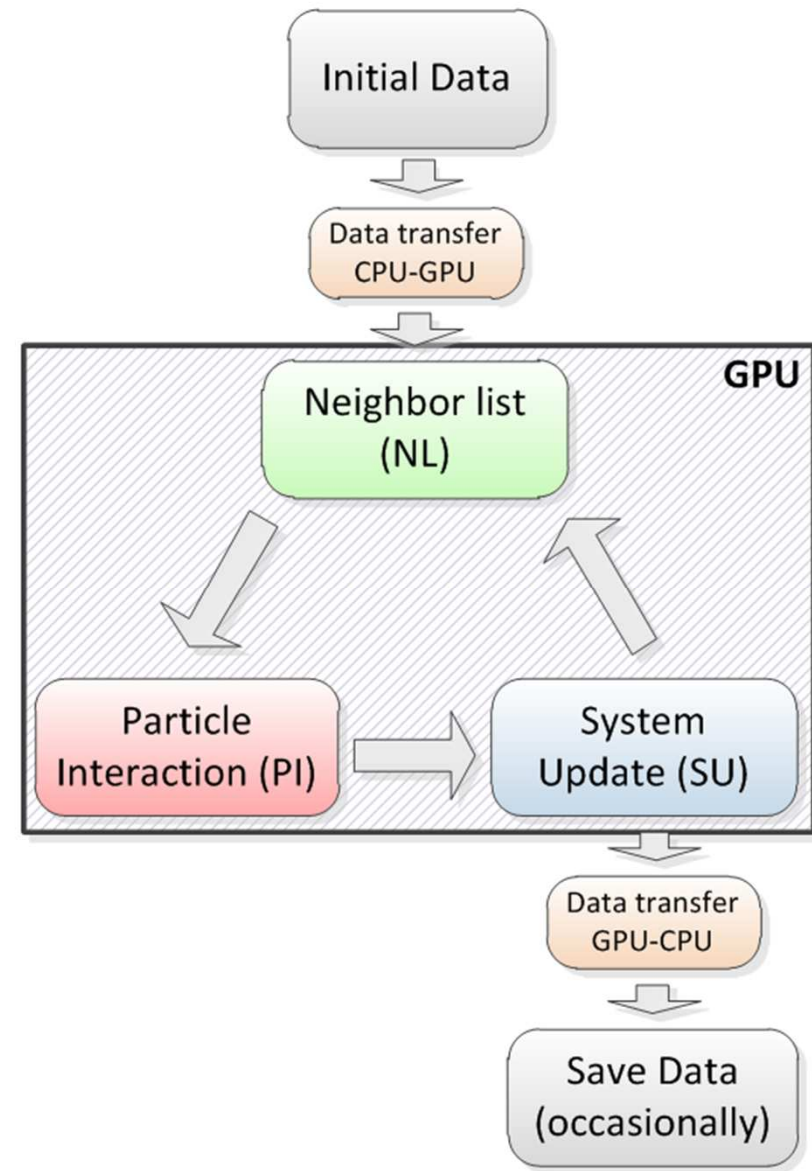
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# GPU implementation

## CPU-GPU COMMUNICATION

- Initially, data were allocated on CPU, so there is a first memory transfer (from CPU to GPU)
- All particle information remains on the GPU memory.
- When saving data is required, only the desired data is transfer from GPU to CPU.

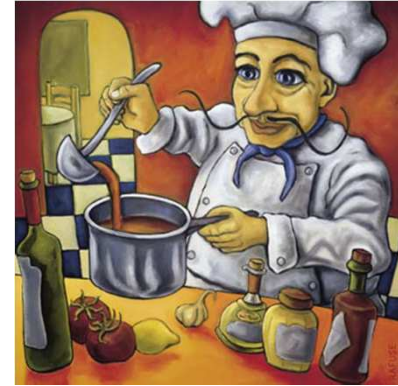


Conceptual diagram of the  
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# GPU implementation

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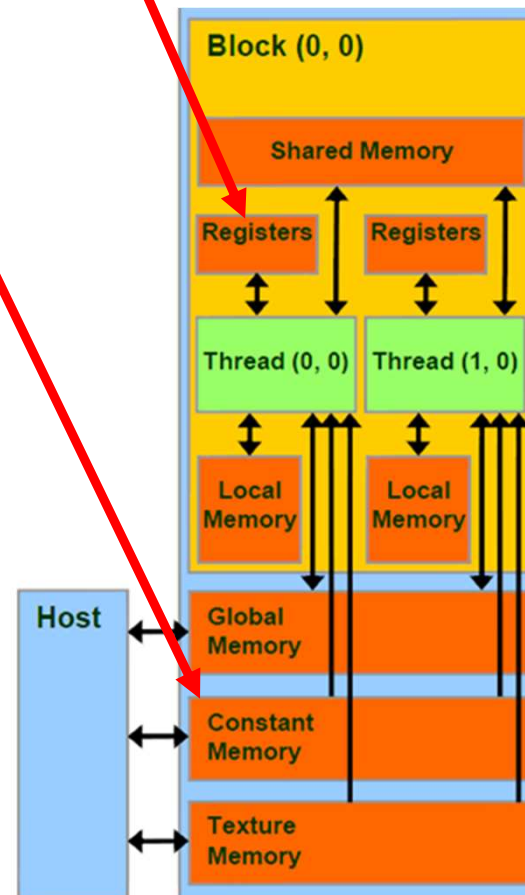
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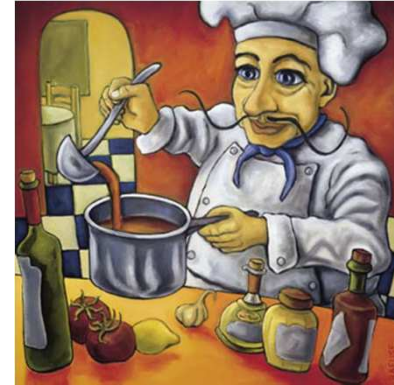
The use of the constant memory and registers is maximized





# GPU implementation

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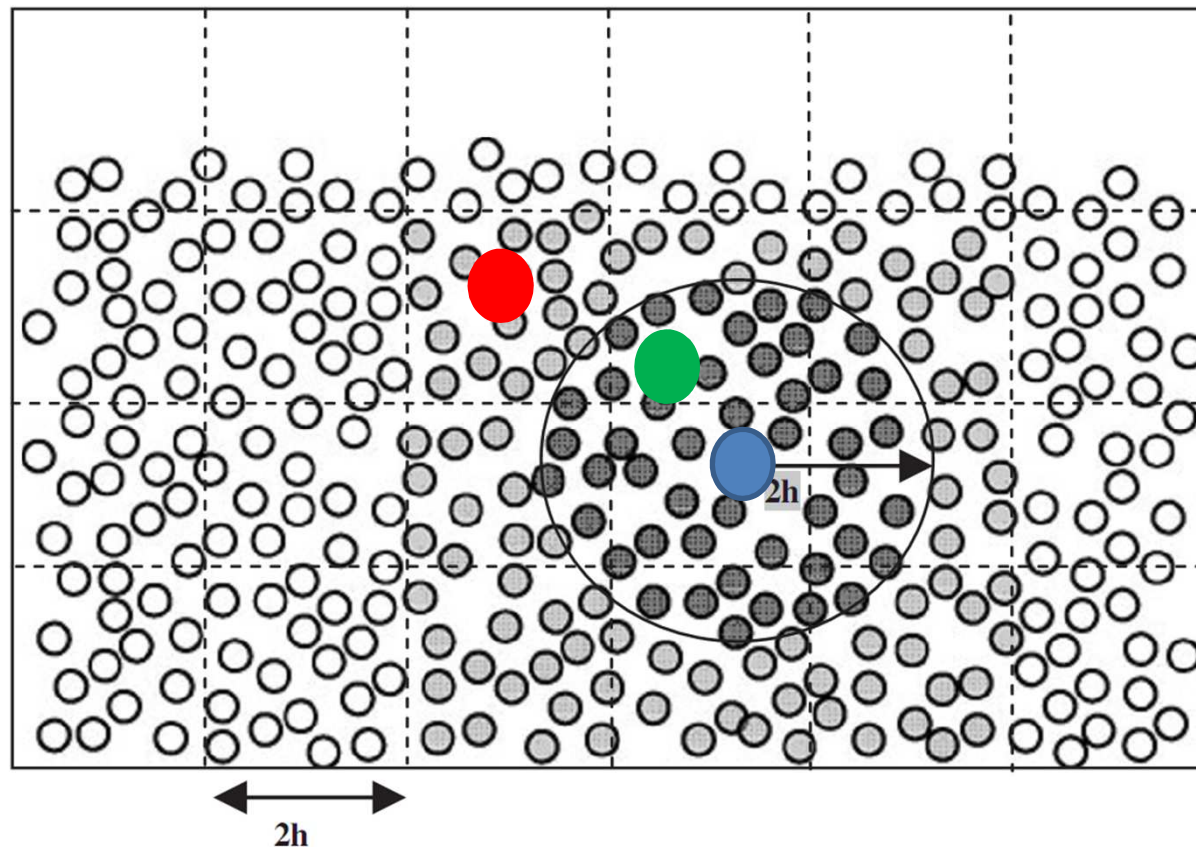
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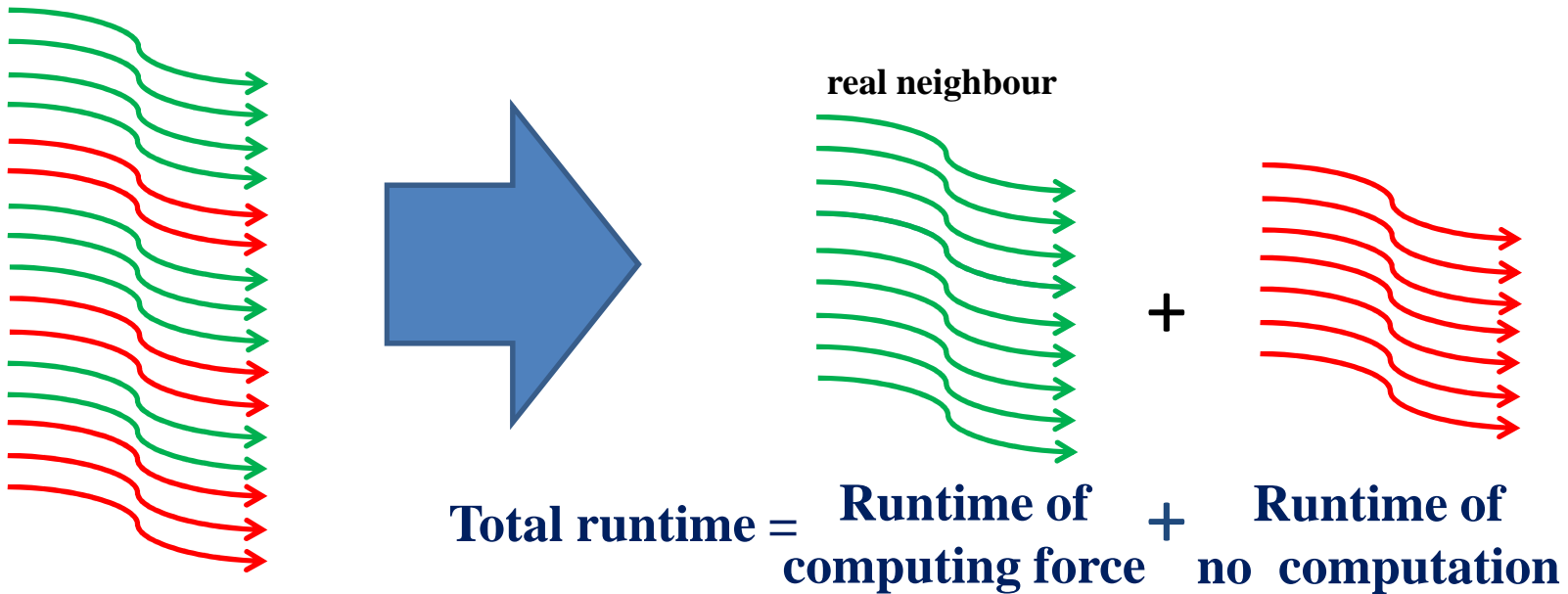
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## Divergence

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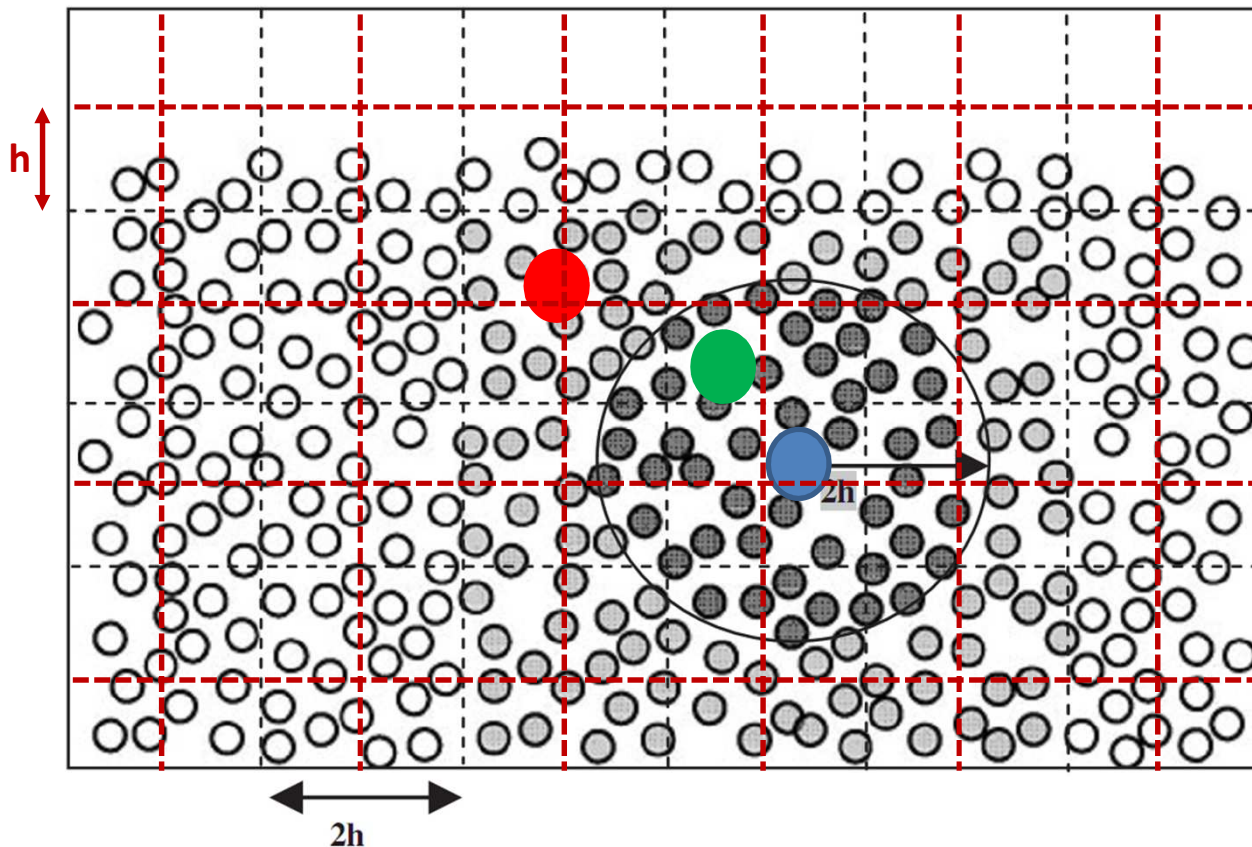


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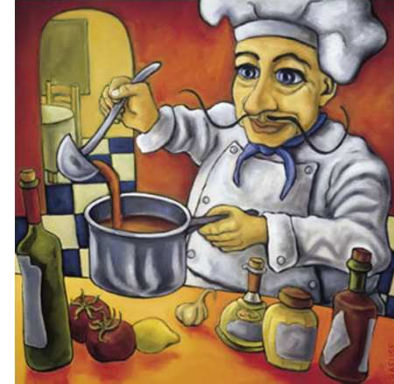
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- using cells of size  $h$  instead of  $2h$ , we increase the number of half-warps with only one execution task (all real neighbours or none), thus we reduce the divergence



# GPU implementation

## RECIPES TO COOK SPH-GPU



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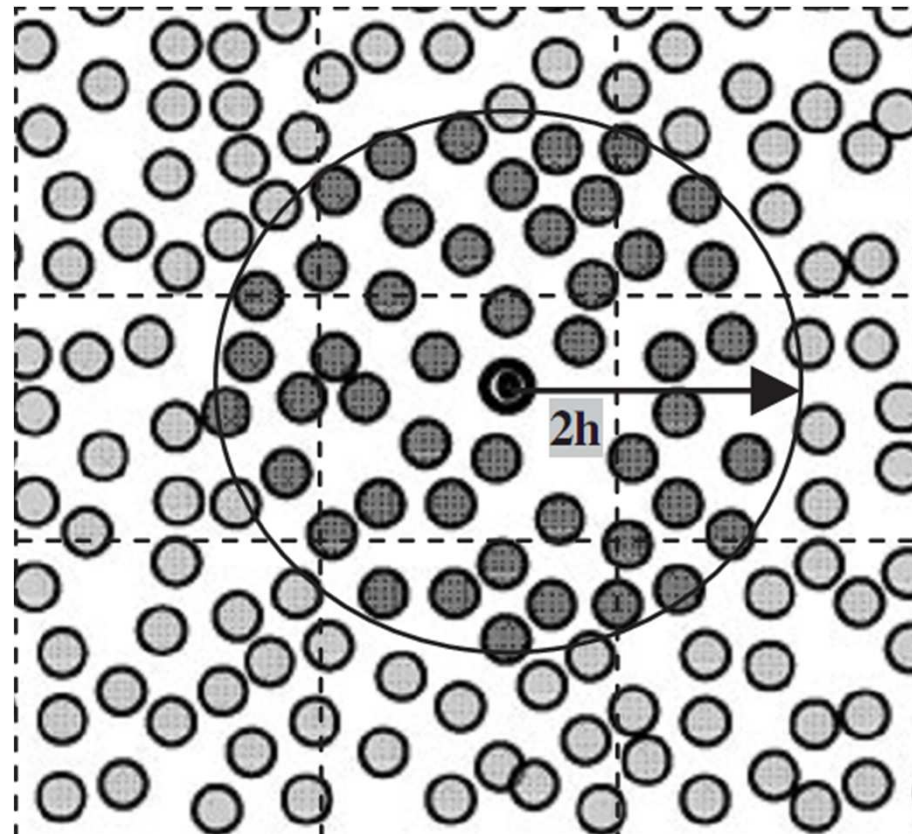
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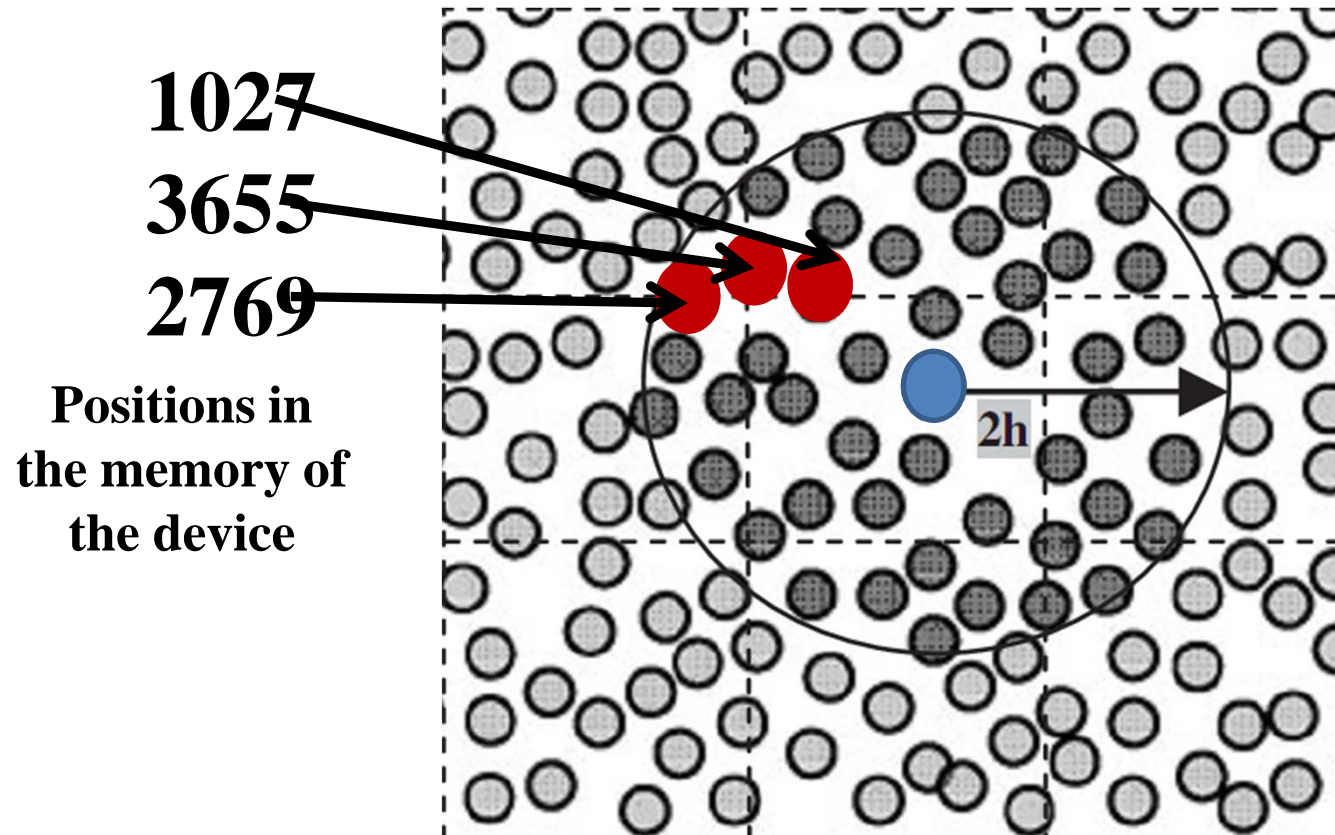
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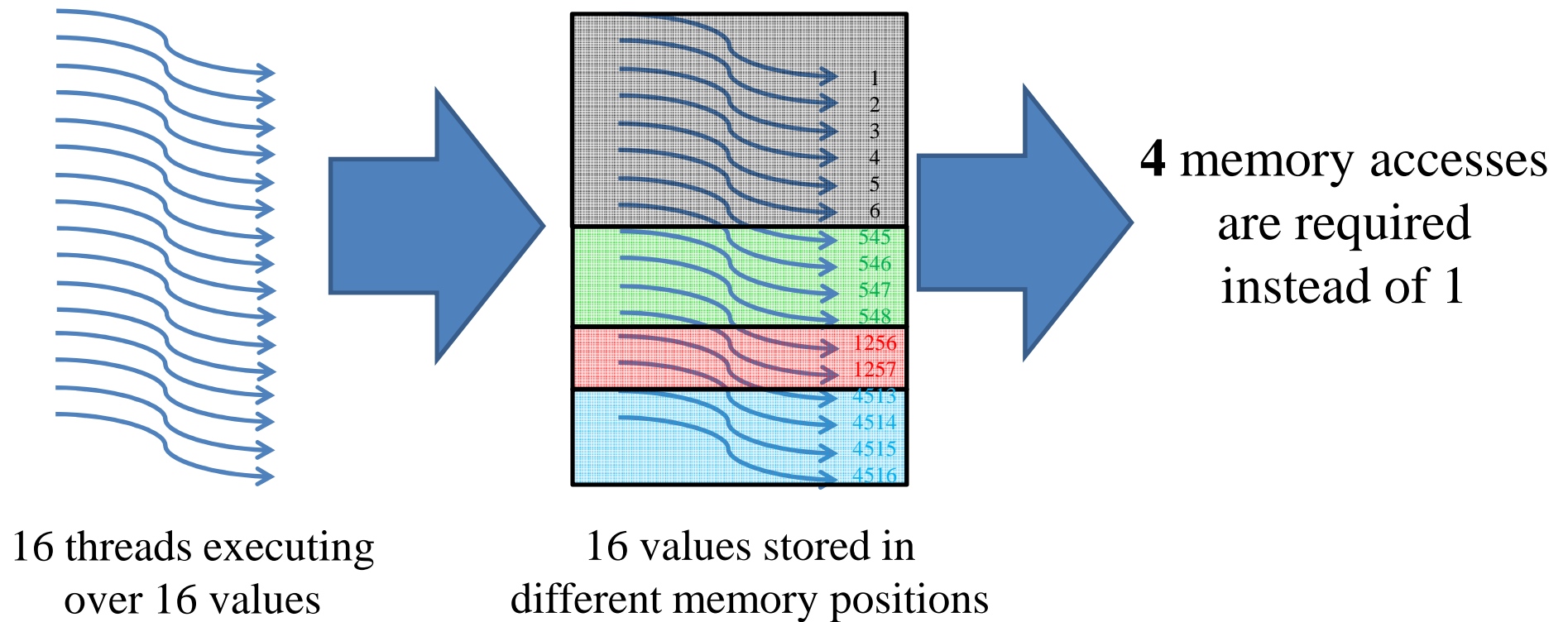
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### NON COALESCED ACCESS

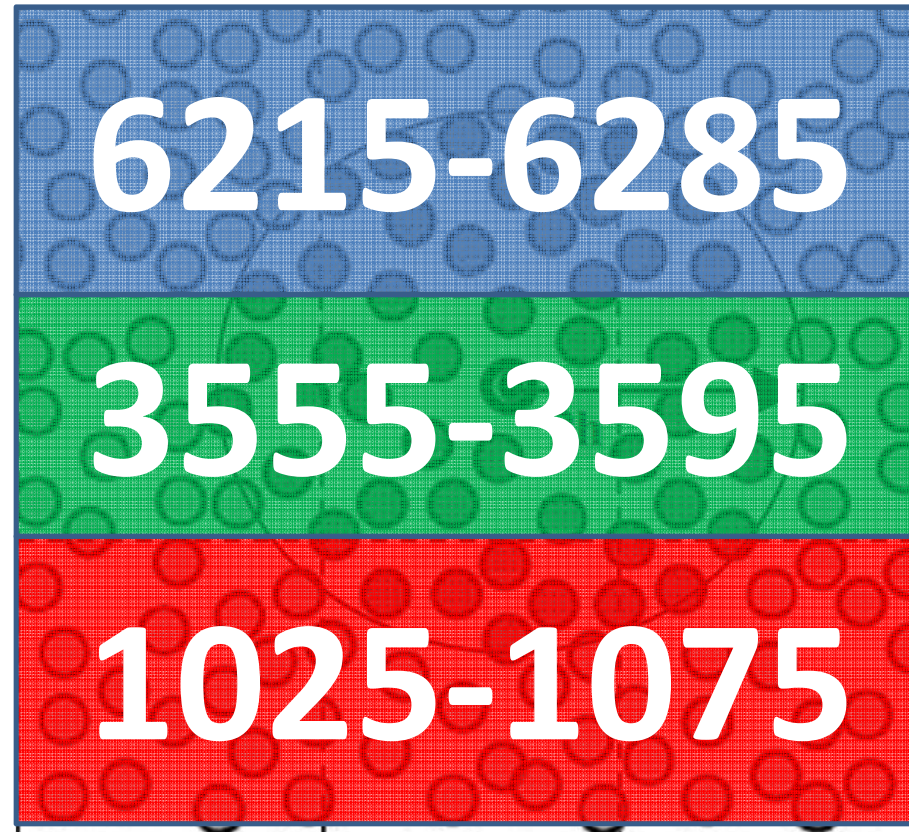




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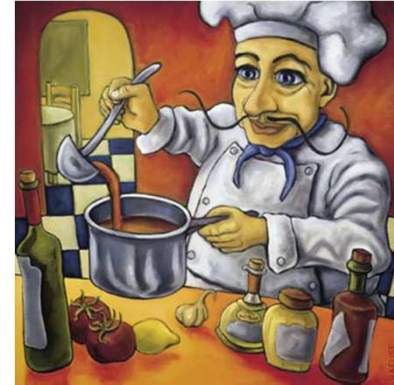
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- reordering particles, more neighbours are stored in consecutive memory positions

**Positions in  
the memory of  
the device**



# GPU implementation

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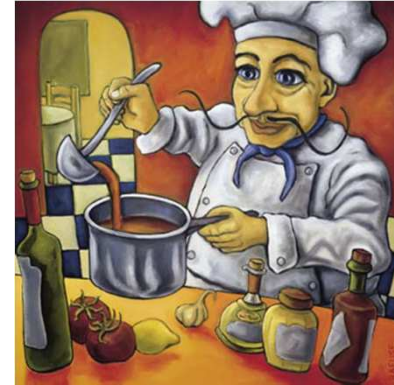
We use a file with the **number of registers** we can use for all the execution kernels **depending on the compute capability** of the card.

Starting from this value we can **adjust the block size** depending on the **GPU card** to obtain the **maximum occupancy**.

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# GPU implementation

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# GPU implementation

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# GPU implementation Available hardware



| GPU            | # of cores | Processor clock (GHz) | Memory (GB) | Power usage (watts) | Heat (°C)                             | Price (€)   |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| M1060          | 240        | 1.36                  | 4           | 188                 | <i>good cooling system for server</i> | 1200*       |
| GTX 285        | 240        | 1.48                  | 1           | 204                 | 105                                   | 330*        |
| <b>GTX 480</b> | <b>480</b> | <b>1.40</b>           | <b>1.5</b>  | <b>384</b>          | <b>94</b>                             | <b>450*</b> |
| GTX 590        | 1024       | 2x1.54                | 3           | 496                 | 74                                    | 650         |

\* year 2009

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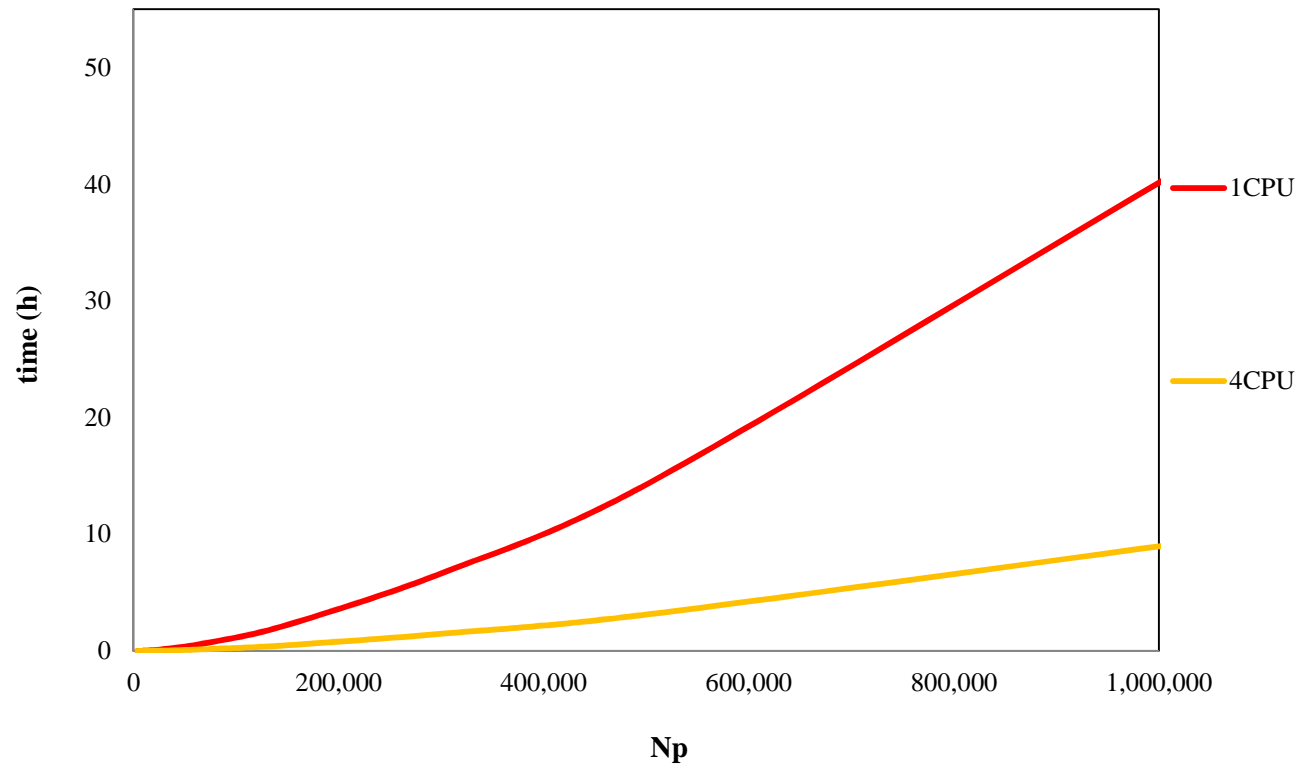
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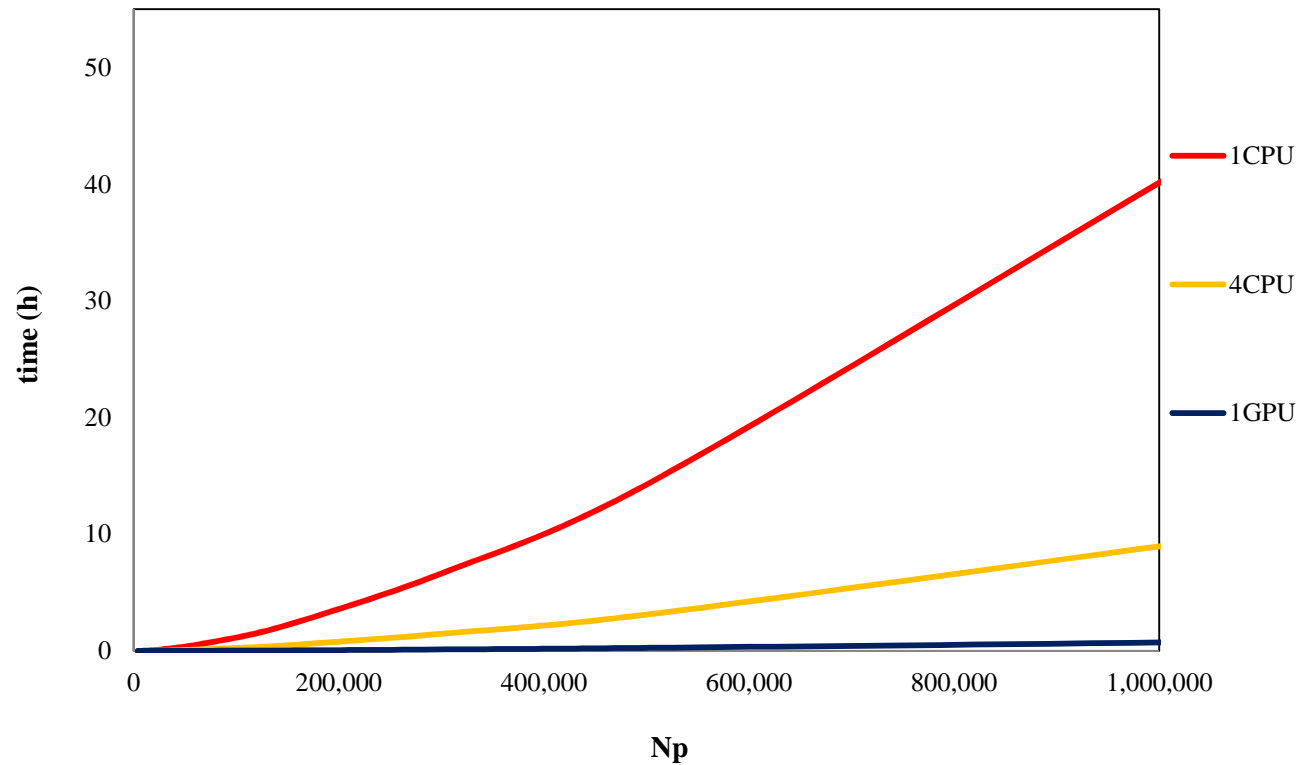
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**Computational runtimes with the Multi-CPU model**



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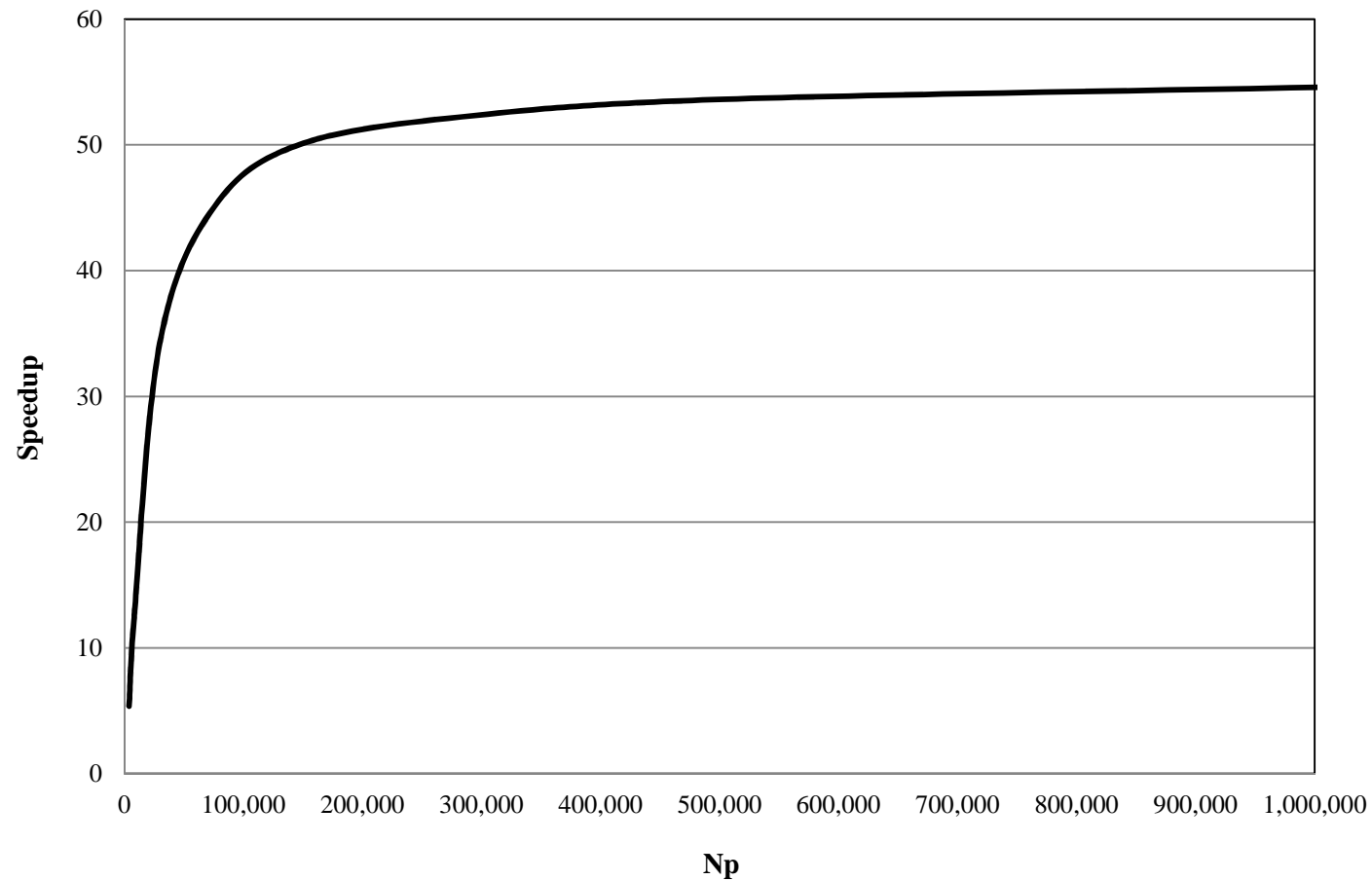


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**Speedup of using the GPU model**

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| 1M   | hours | Speedup vs. 1<br>CPU | Speedup vs. 4<br>CPU |
|------|-------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1CPU | 40.71 | 1.00                 |                      |
| 4CPU | 9.09  | 4.48                 | 1.00                 |
| 1GPU | 0.75  | 54.61                | 12.19                |

**450 EUROS**



**Speedup of using the GPU model**

# Outline

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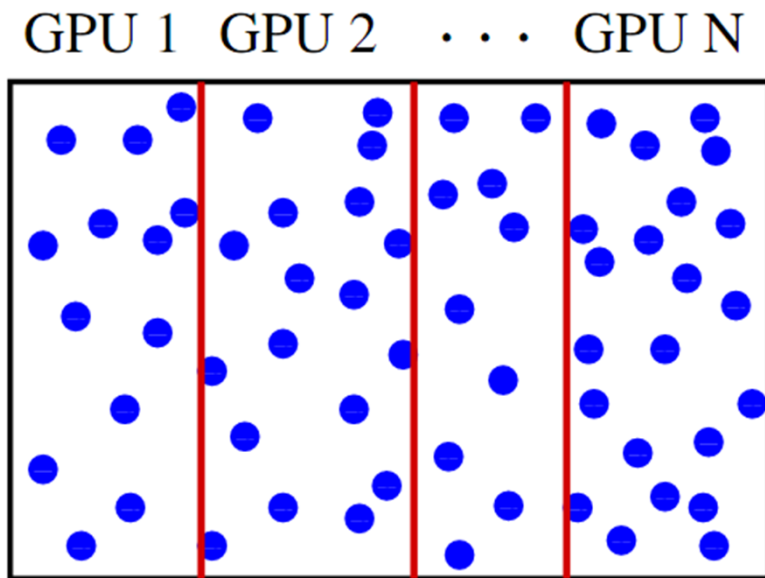
The memory requirements are still a **limitation for a single GPU**, using more than one GPU appears to be the best development to continue accelerating SPH simulations.

In order to allow different devices communicating with each other, the Message Passing Interface (**MPI**) is **used jointly with CUDA** to implement a multi-GPU version of SPH.

**MPI presents the advantage** of using different compute nodes hosting multiple devices instead of only one as it happens with OpenMP.

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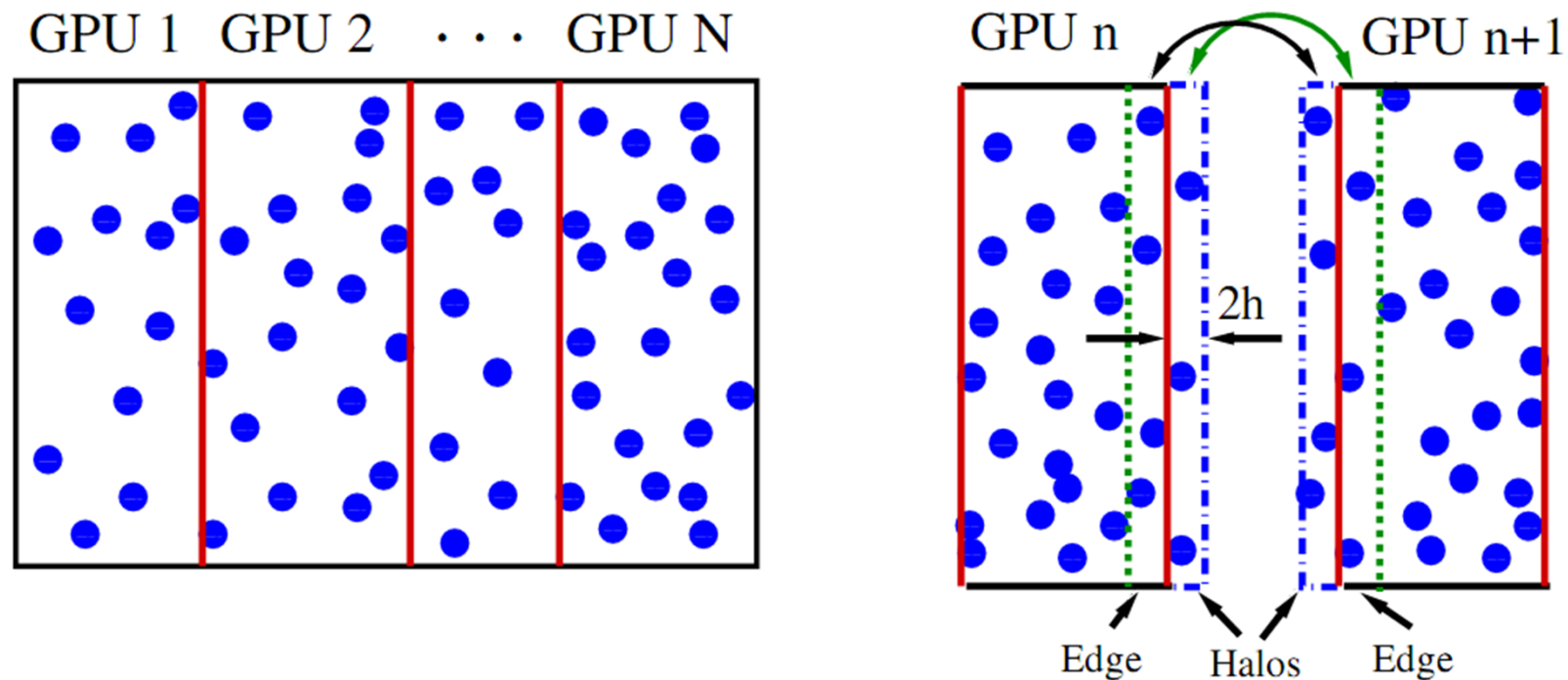


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After each computation step, **data needs to be transferred between devices;**

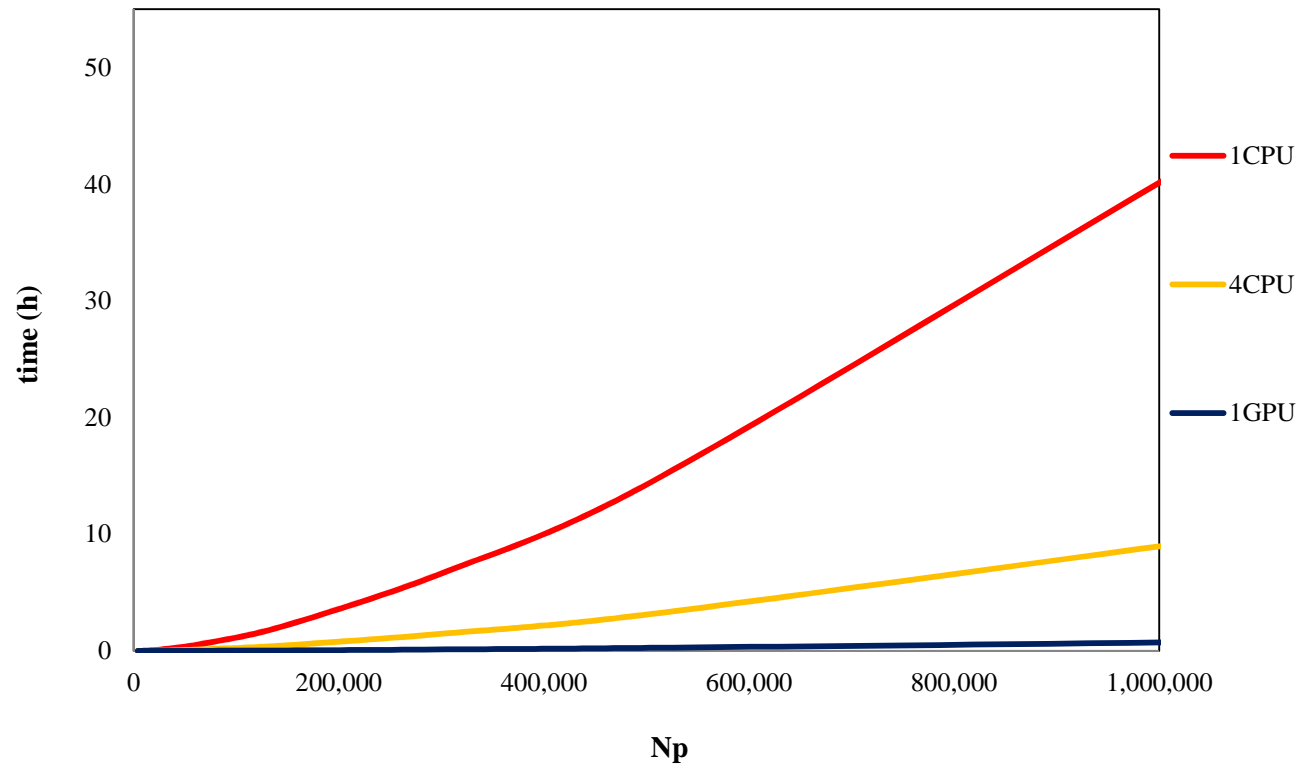
- the information of particles that migrate between GPUs (physical sub-domains)
- or particles that belong to shared spaces where data is used by several GPUs.



# Multi-GPU implementation

**CPU Intel® Core™ i7 940 at 2.93GHz with 4 cores**

**GPU GTX 480 at 1.40GHz with 480 cores**



**40 h**

**9 h**

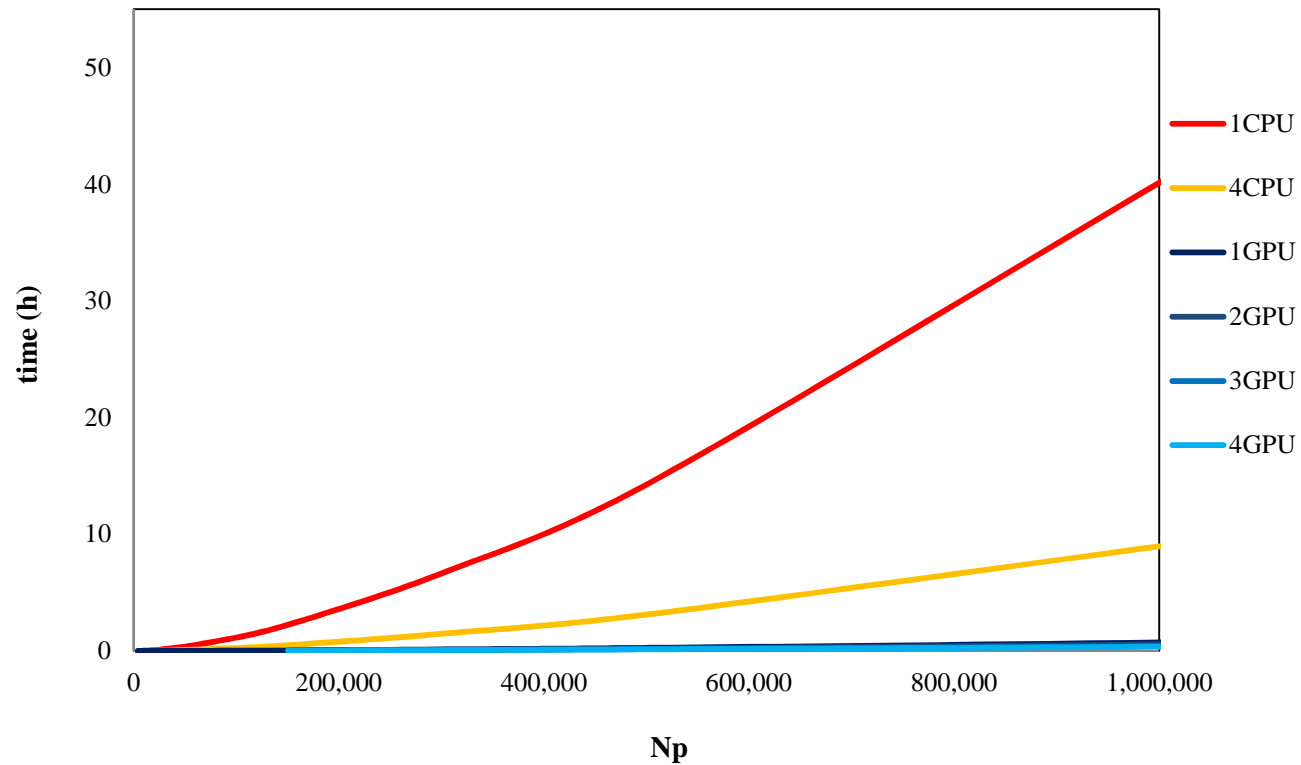
**45 min**



**Computational runtimes with the Multi-CPU and GPU model**

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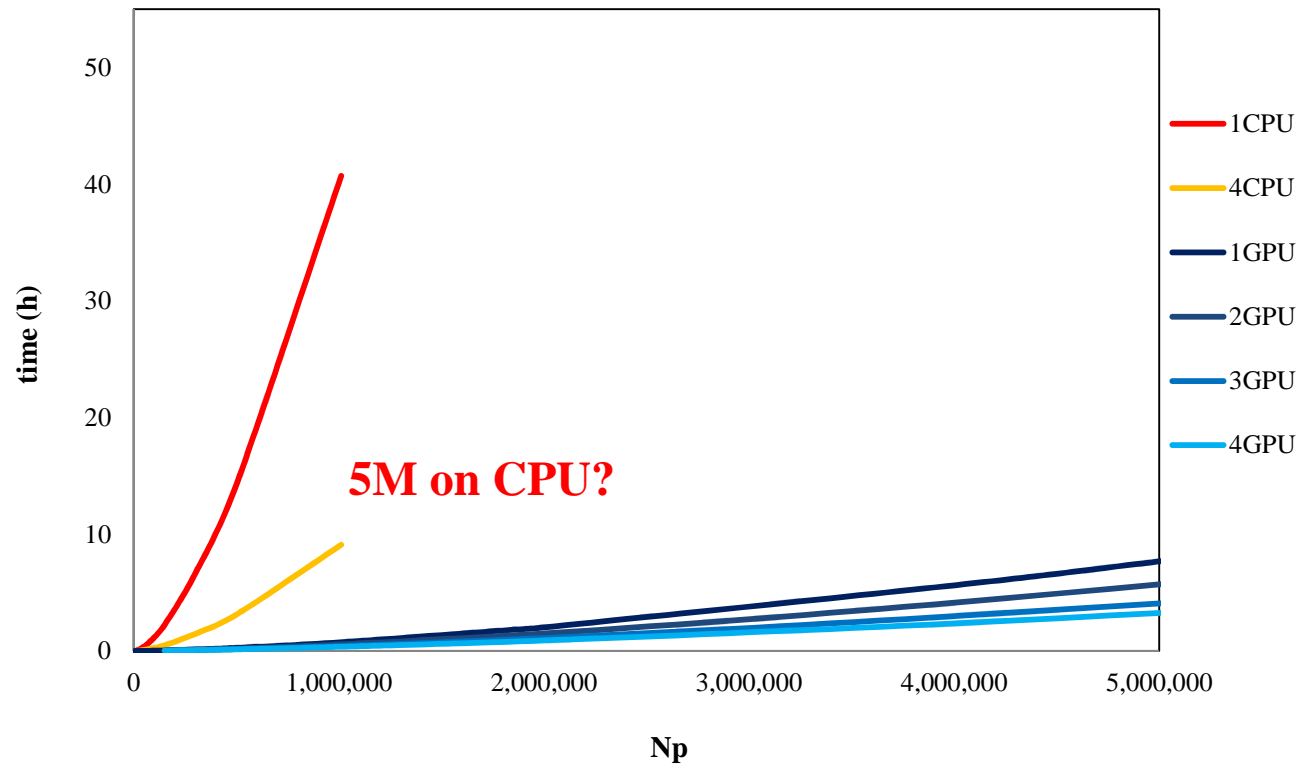


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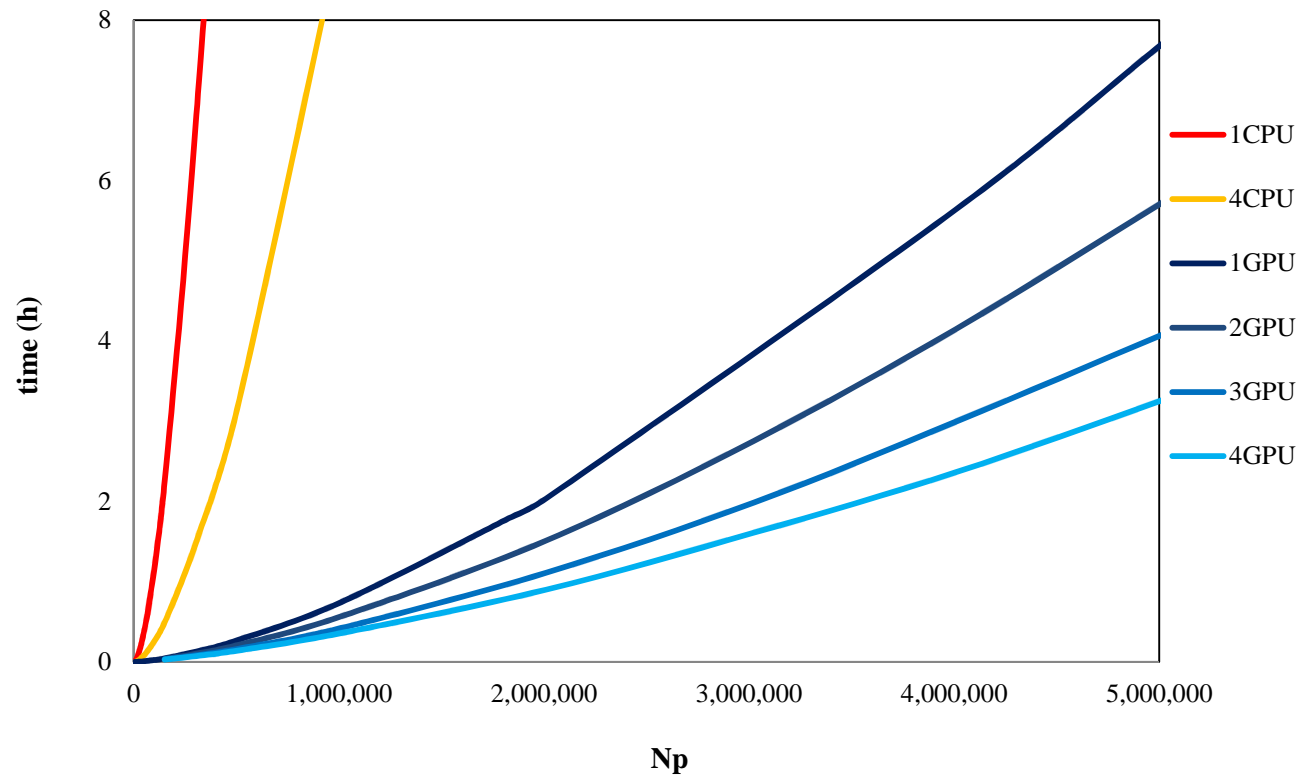


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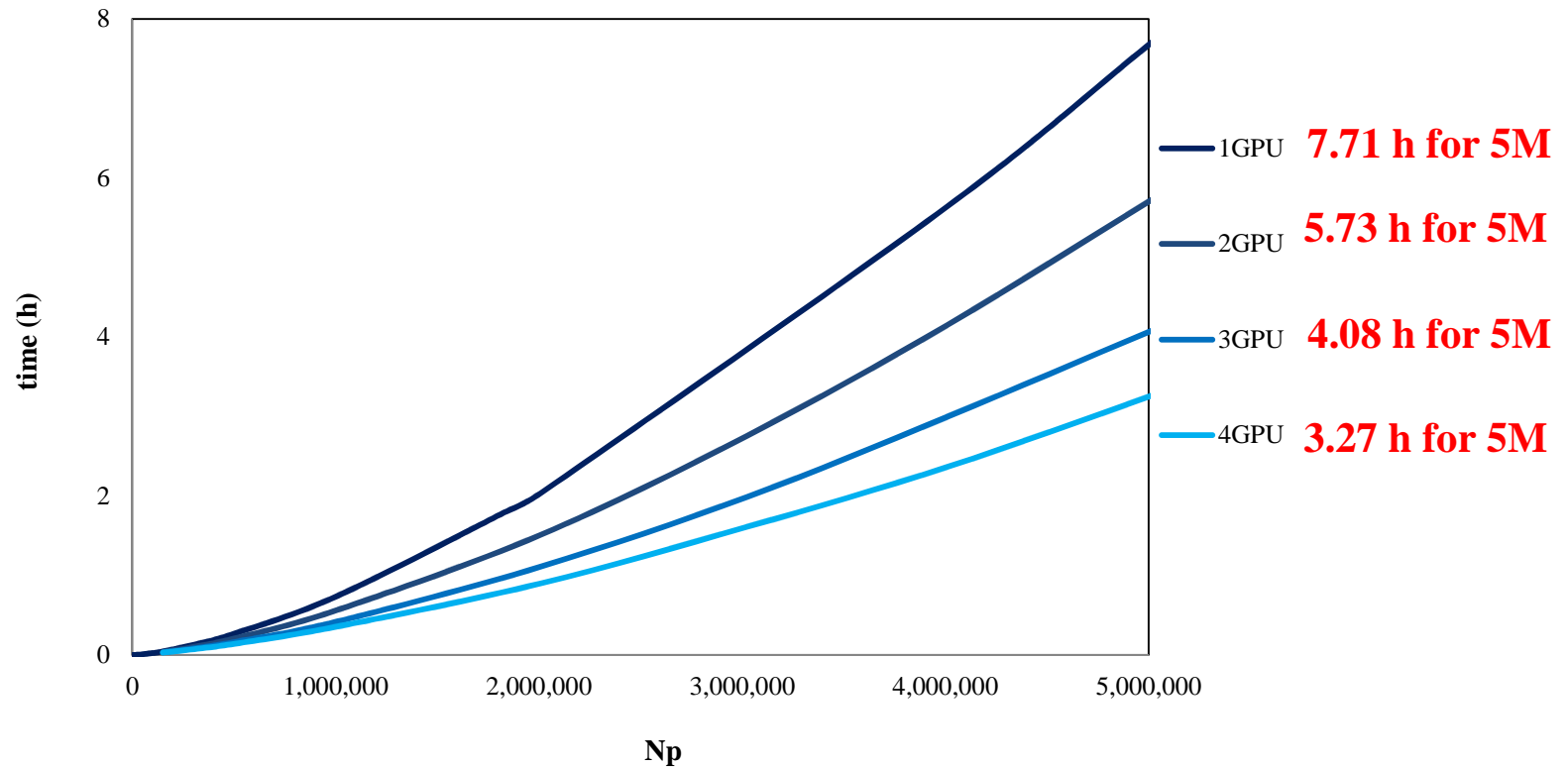
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**Computational runtimes with the Multi-CPU and Multi-GPU model**

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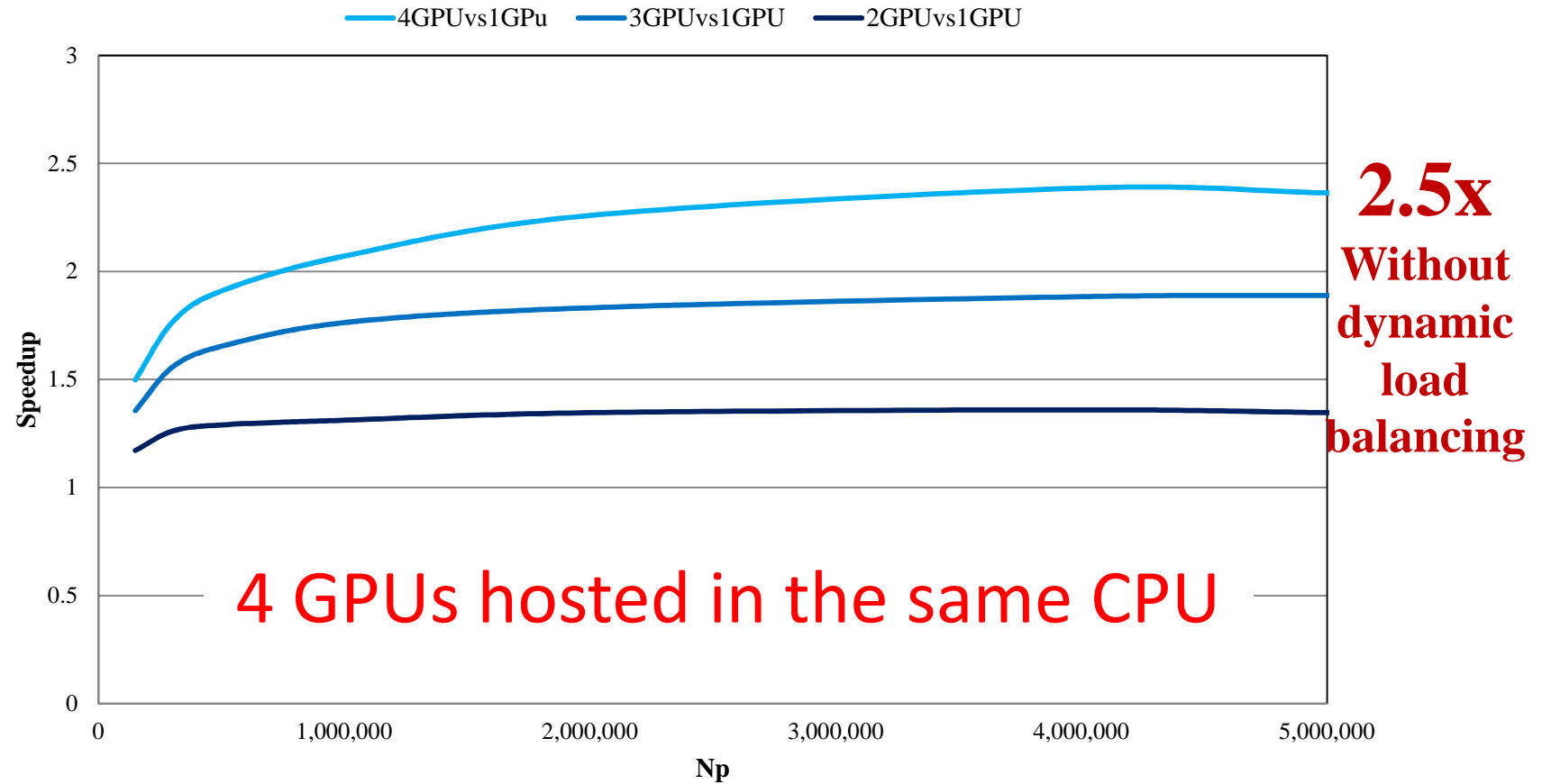
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**Computational runtimes with the Multi-GPU model**

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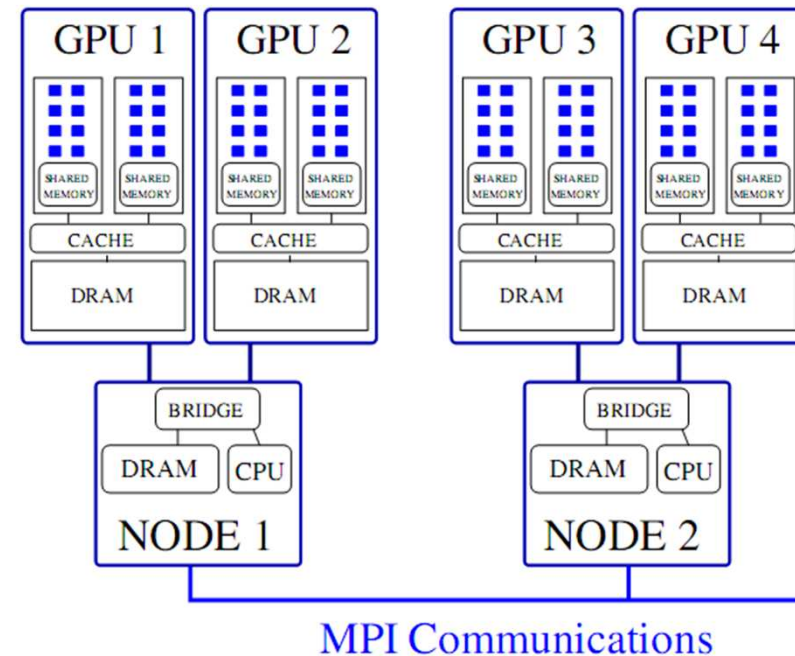
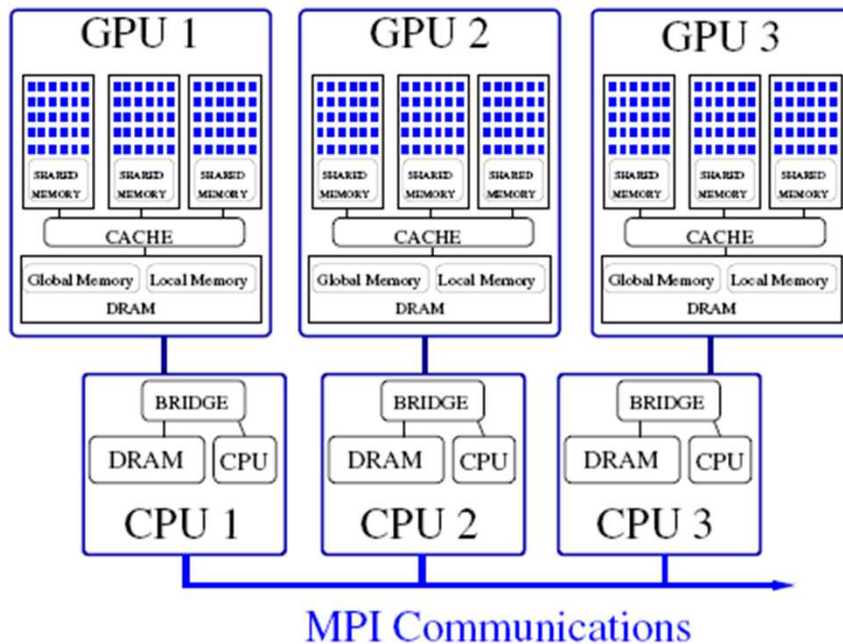
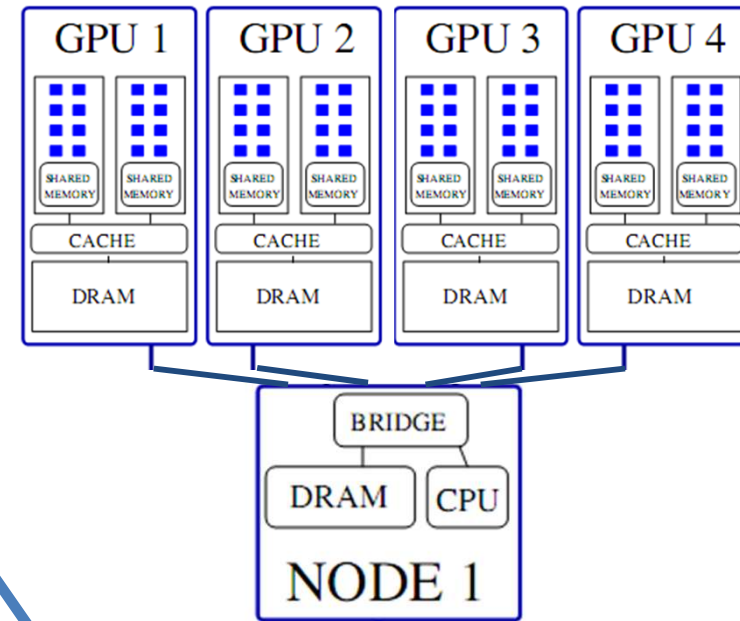
Speedup of using the Multi-GPU model

# Multi-GPU implementation

4 GPUs hosted in the same CPU

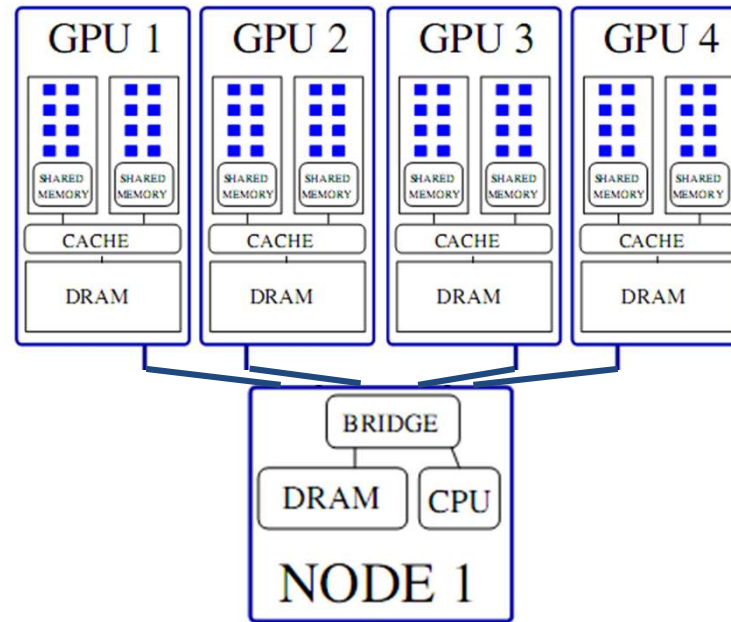
4 GPUs hosted in 2 CPUs (2 per node)

3 GPUs hosted in 3 different CPUs



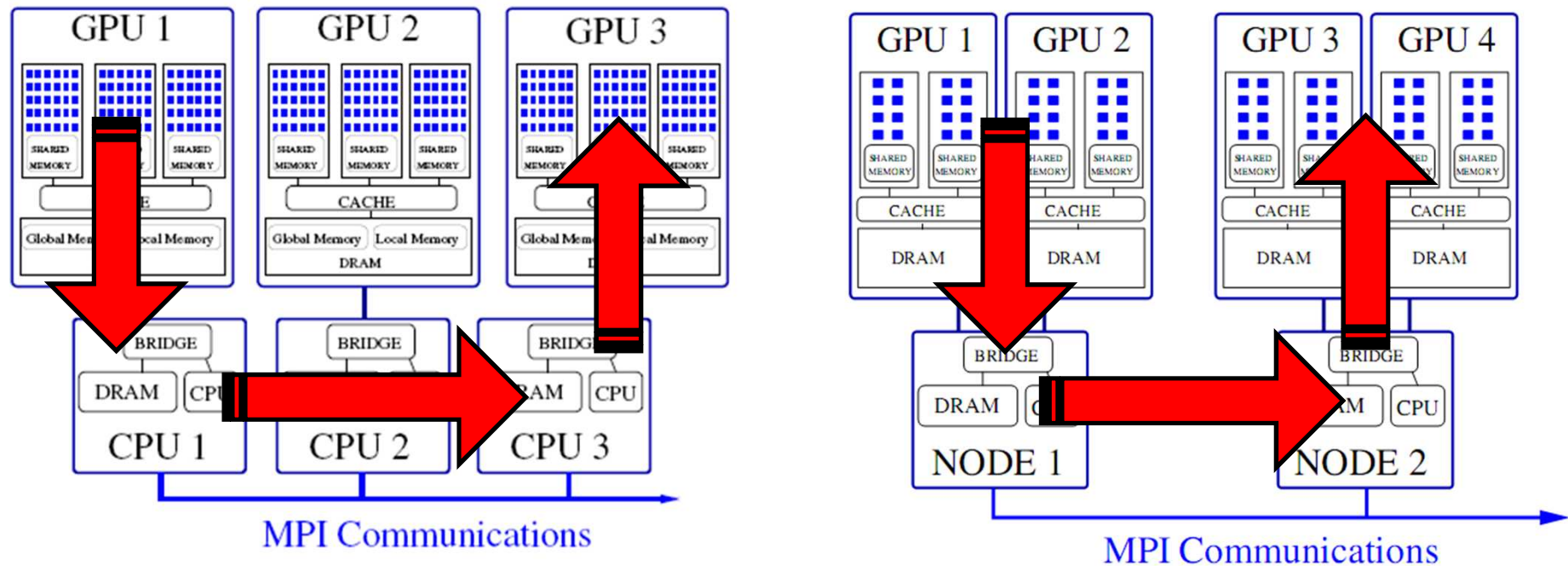


# Multi-GPU implementation



4 GPUs hosted in the same CPU  
no cost in the inter-CPU communications

# Multi-GPU implementation



## IF GPUs hosted in different CPUs

With the CUDA v4.0, direct GPU-GPU communication will be supported.

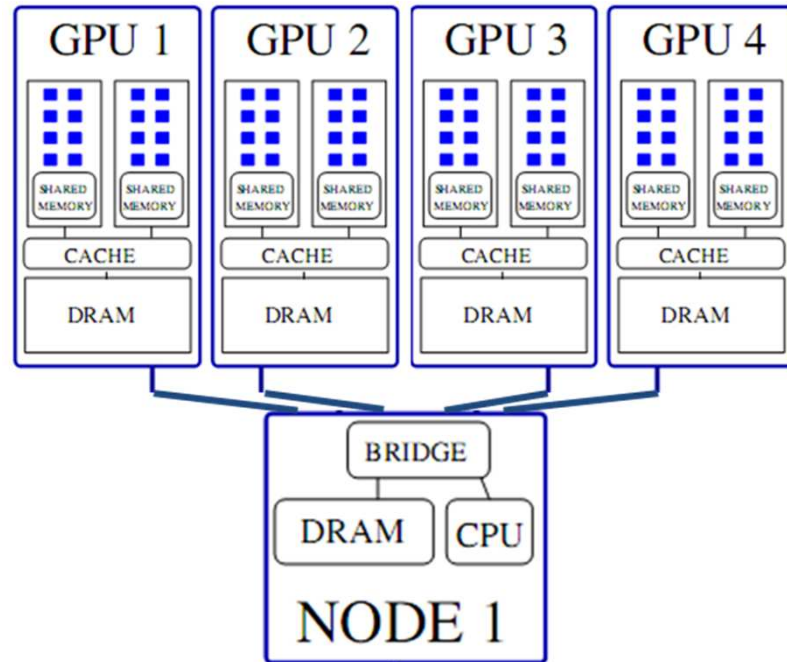
But now, the memory transfer between different GPUs is carried out by

**GPU-CPU**

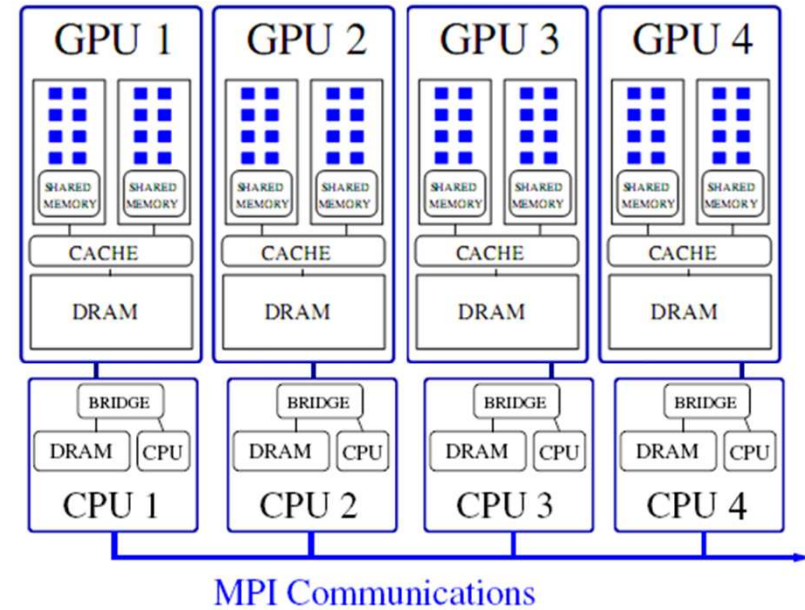
**CPU-CPU using MPI**

**CPU-GPU communications**

# Multi-GPU implementation

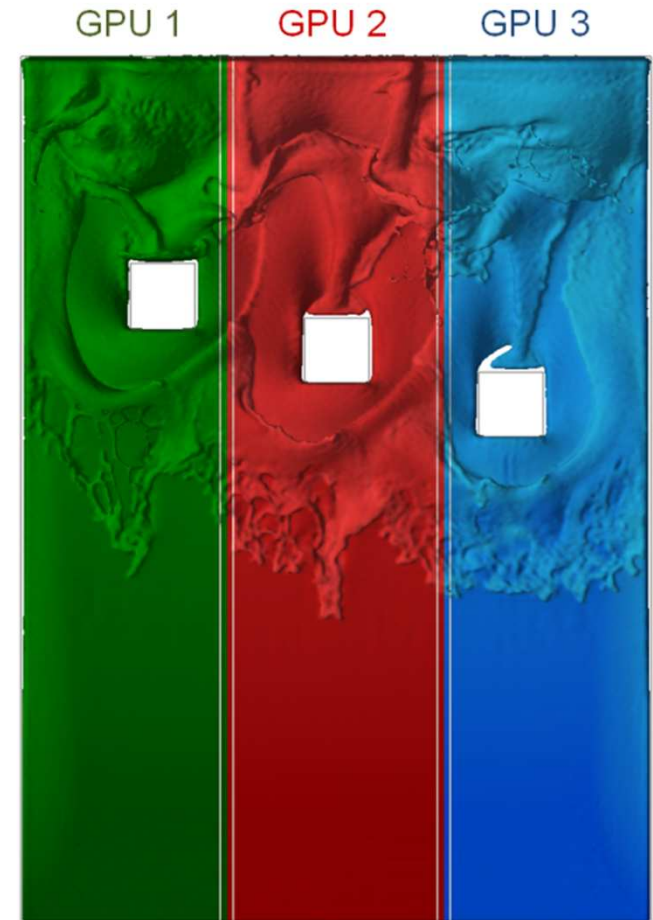
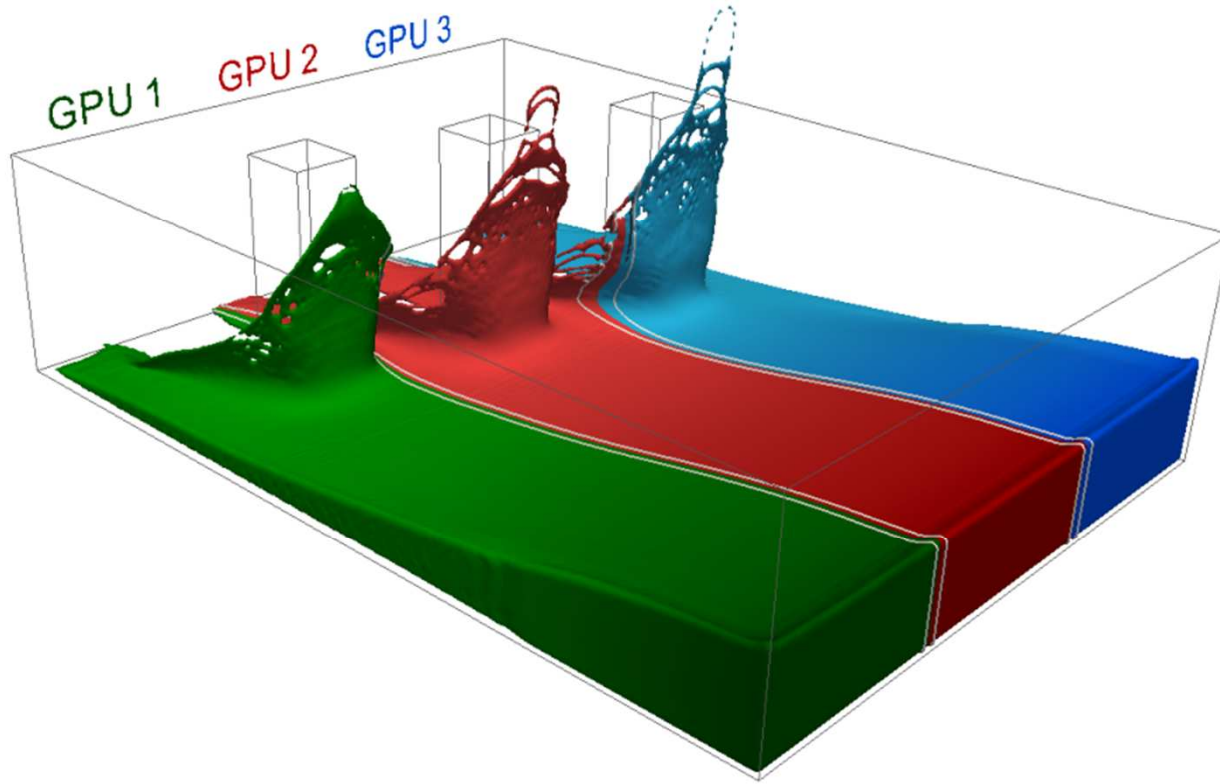


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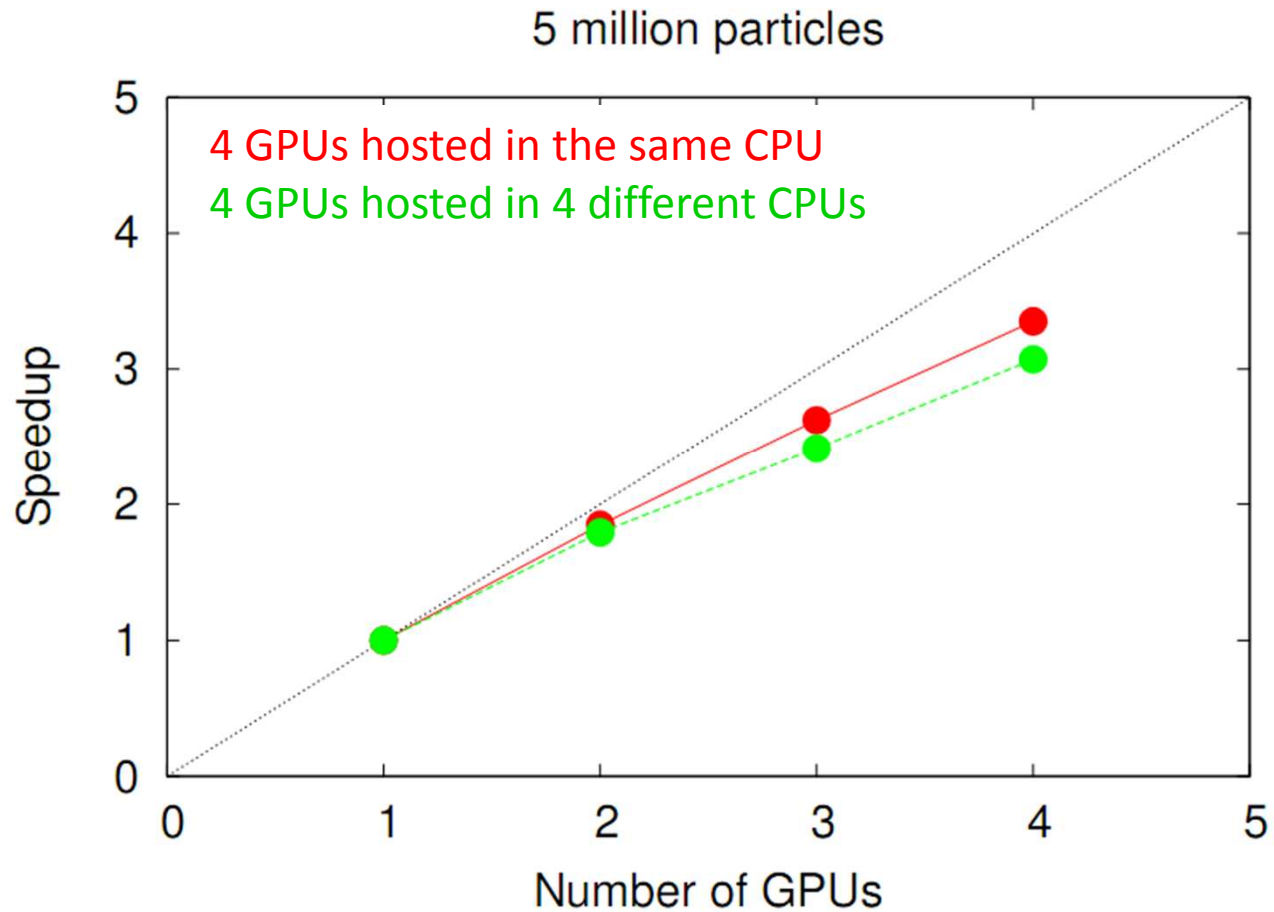


4 GPUs hosted in 4 different CPUs

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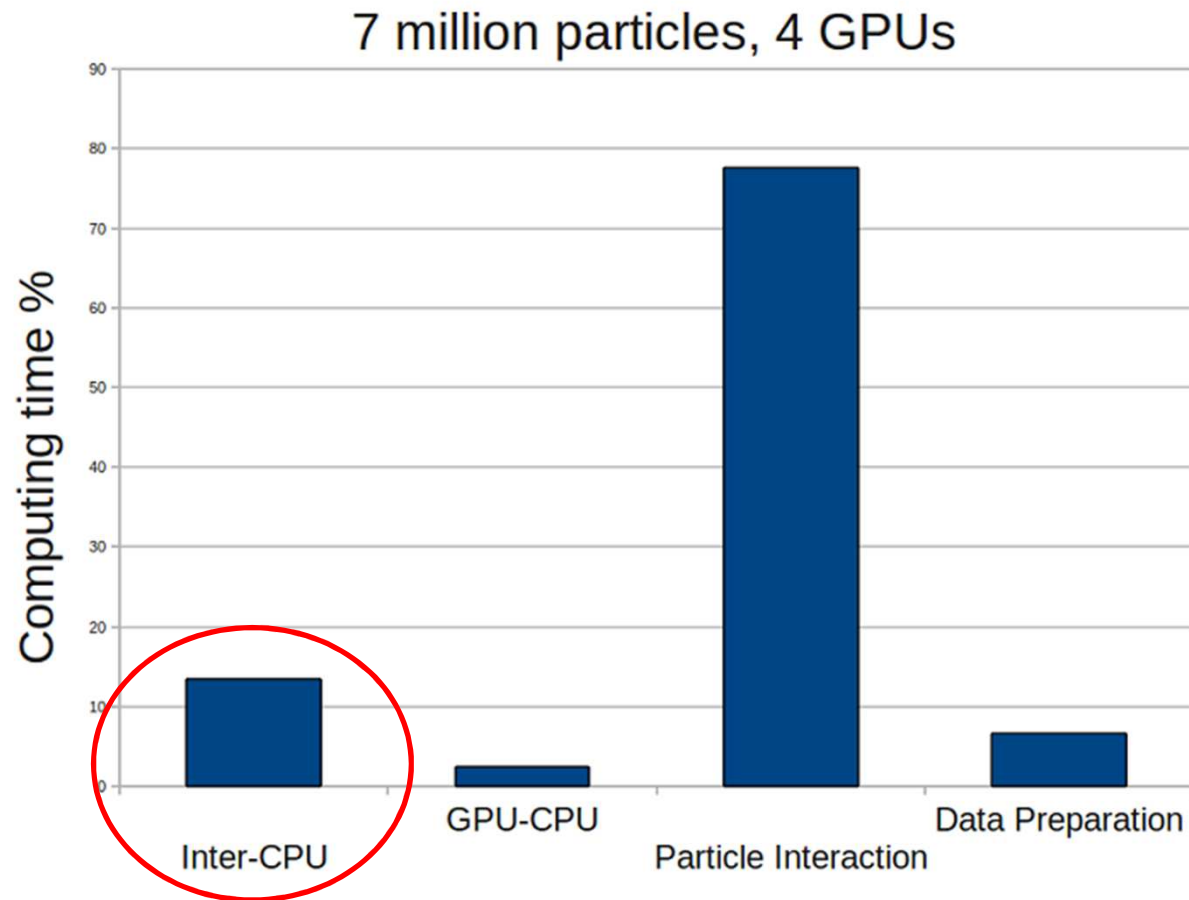


# Multi-GPU implementation



cost in the inter-CPU communications

# Multi-GPU implementation



inter-CPU cost increases with the number of particles

4 GPUs in 4 different CPUs

# Multi-GPU implementation

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| 1M   | hours | Speedup vs. 1<br>CPU | Speedup vs. 4<br>CPU |
|------|-------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1CPU | 40.71 | 1.00                 |                      |
| 4CPU | 9.09  | 4.48                 | 1.00                 |
| 1GPU | 0.75  | 54.61                | 12.19                |
| 2GPU | 0.57  | 71.63                | 15.99                |
| 3GPU | 0.42  | 96.33                | 21.51                |
| 4GPU | 0.36  | 113.22               | 25.28                |

5,000 EUROS

**Speedup of using the Multi-GPU model**



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# Applications

## RENEWABLE WAVE ENERGY RESEARCH

Numerical tool to design the devices and to describe their behaviour



*WAVE DRAGON*



*PELAMIS*



*POWERBUOY*

# Applications

## COASTAL PROTECTION

The passage of storms near coastal areas gives rise to dangerous waves on the shore line.



*Dangerous waves in San Sebastián coast, 2005*



*Storms effect in A Coruña coast, 2008*

# Applications

## COASTAL PROTECTION

Natural disasters have occurred in the last years.



*Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans, 2005*



*Tsunami in Japan, 2011*



# Applications

## HARBOUR DESIGN

Real scenarios must be studied in detailed



*Dikes overtopping*



*Port Olimpic in Barcelona*

# **Applications**

**Coastal protection**

**Harbour design**

**Industrial applications**

# Coastal protection

Simulating million particles in a few hours allows us to investigate:

- **the damage due to extreme waves**
- **the flooded areas**
- **valuable information about overtopping**
- **risk maps in coastal areas**

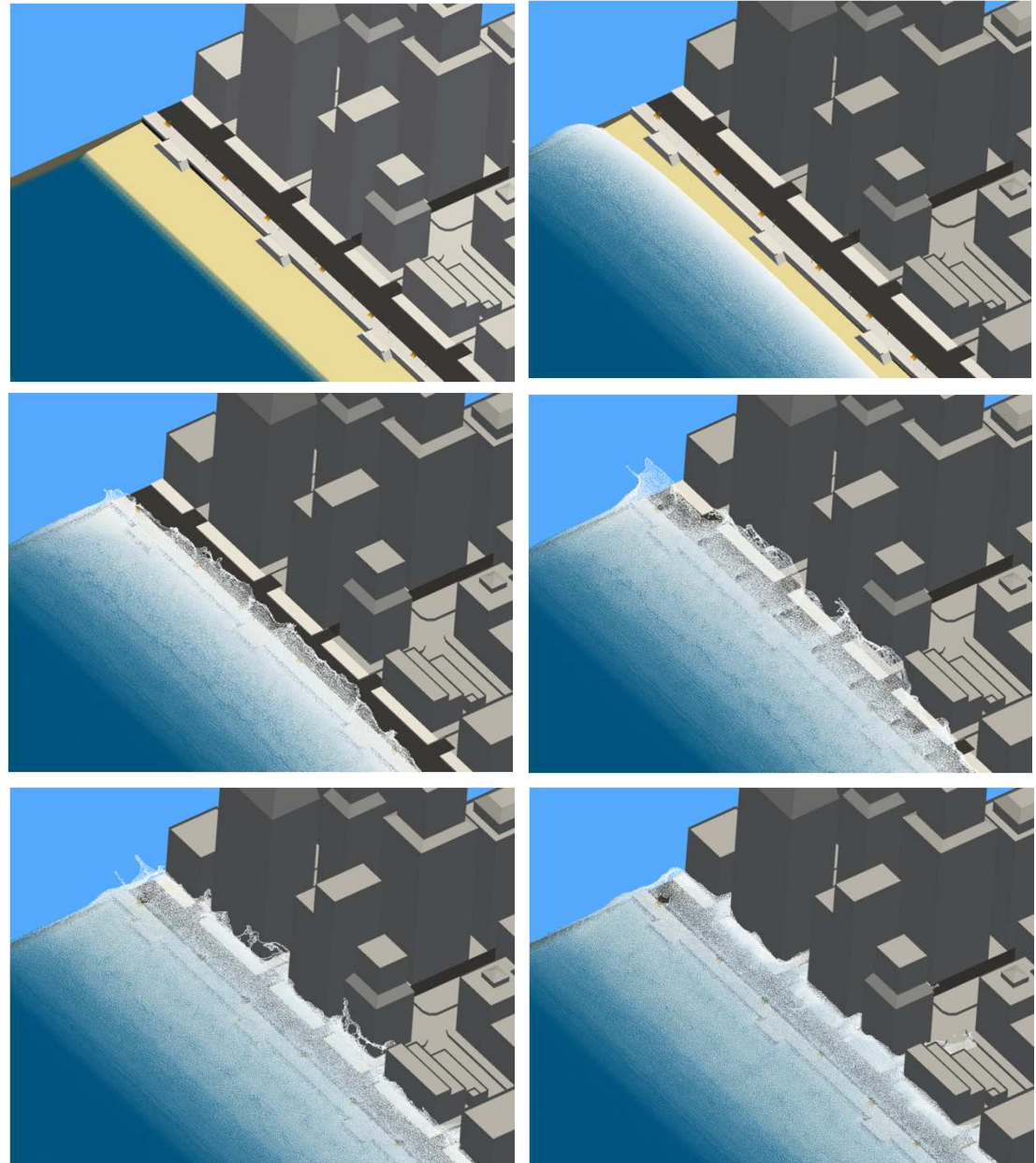


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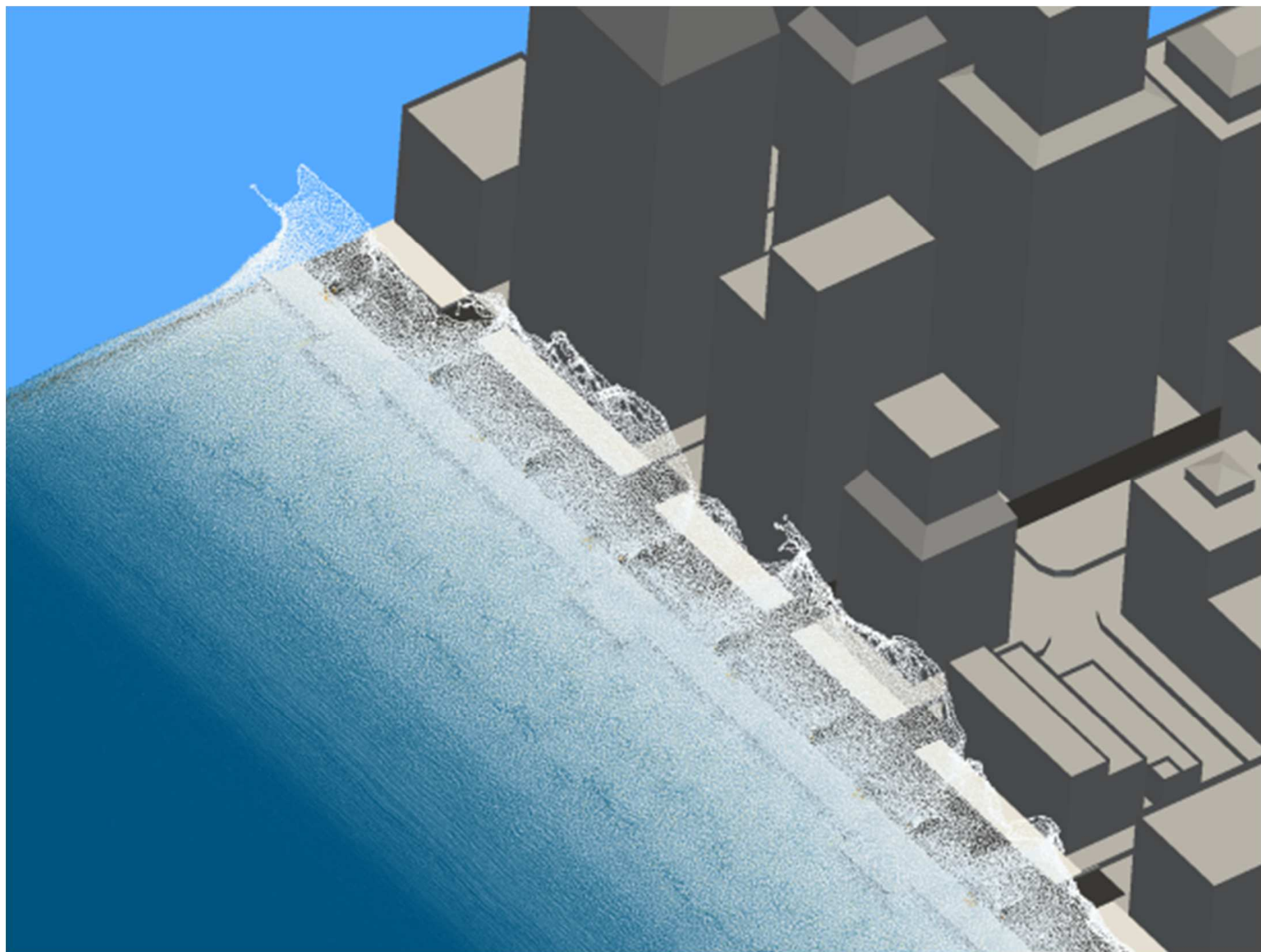
Promenade-wave interaction  
with 5,342,325 particles

domain 600m x 600m x 450m  
 $dp = 1.2\text{m}$   
 $h = 1.8\text{m}$

24 seconds of physical time  
36,128 steps  
take 3.4 hours on GTX480

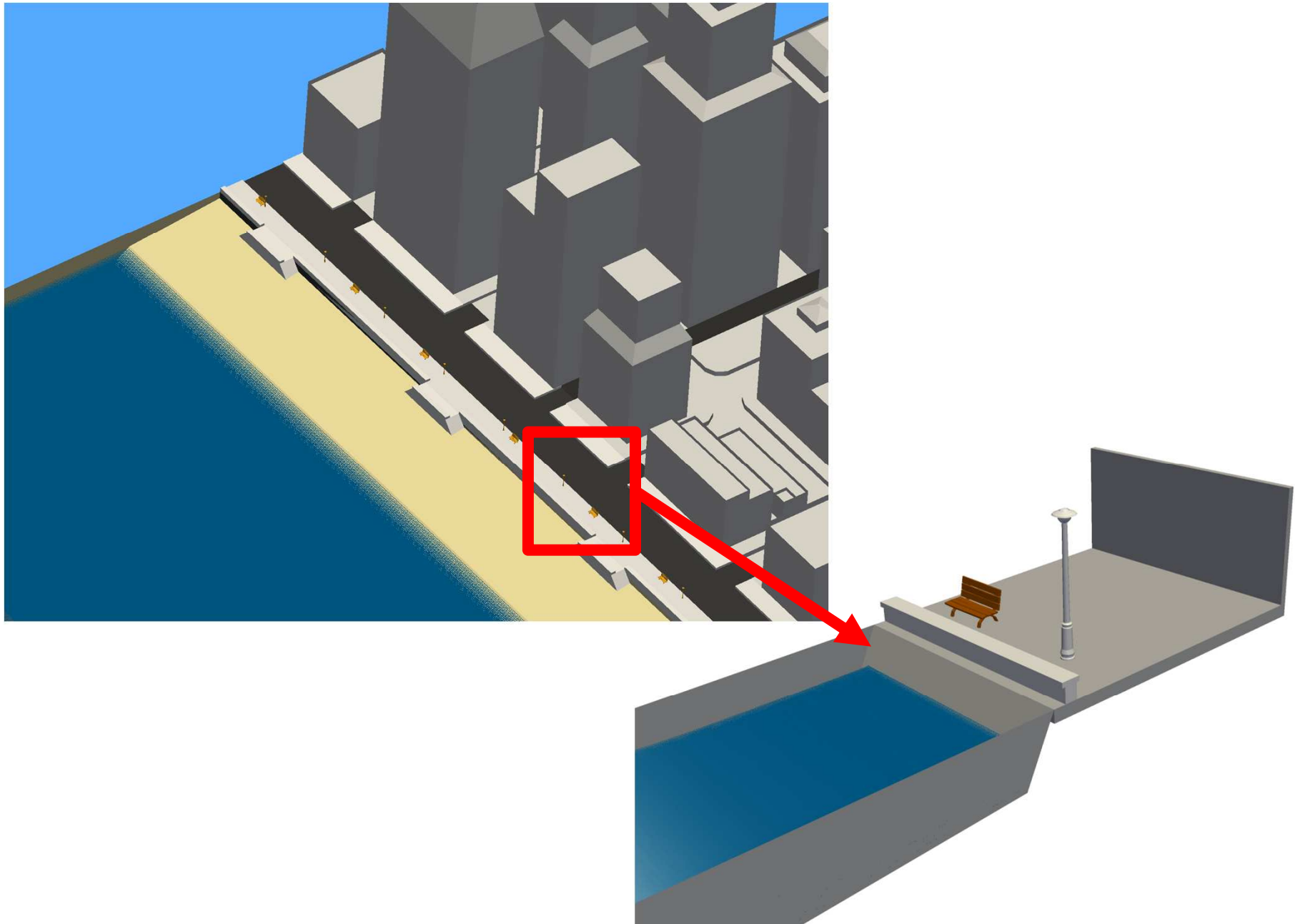








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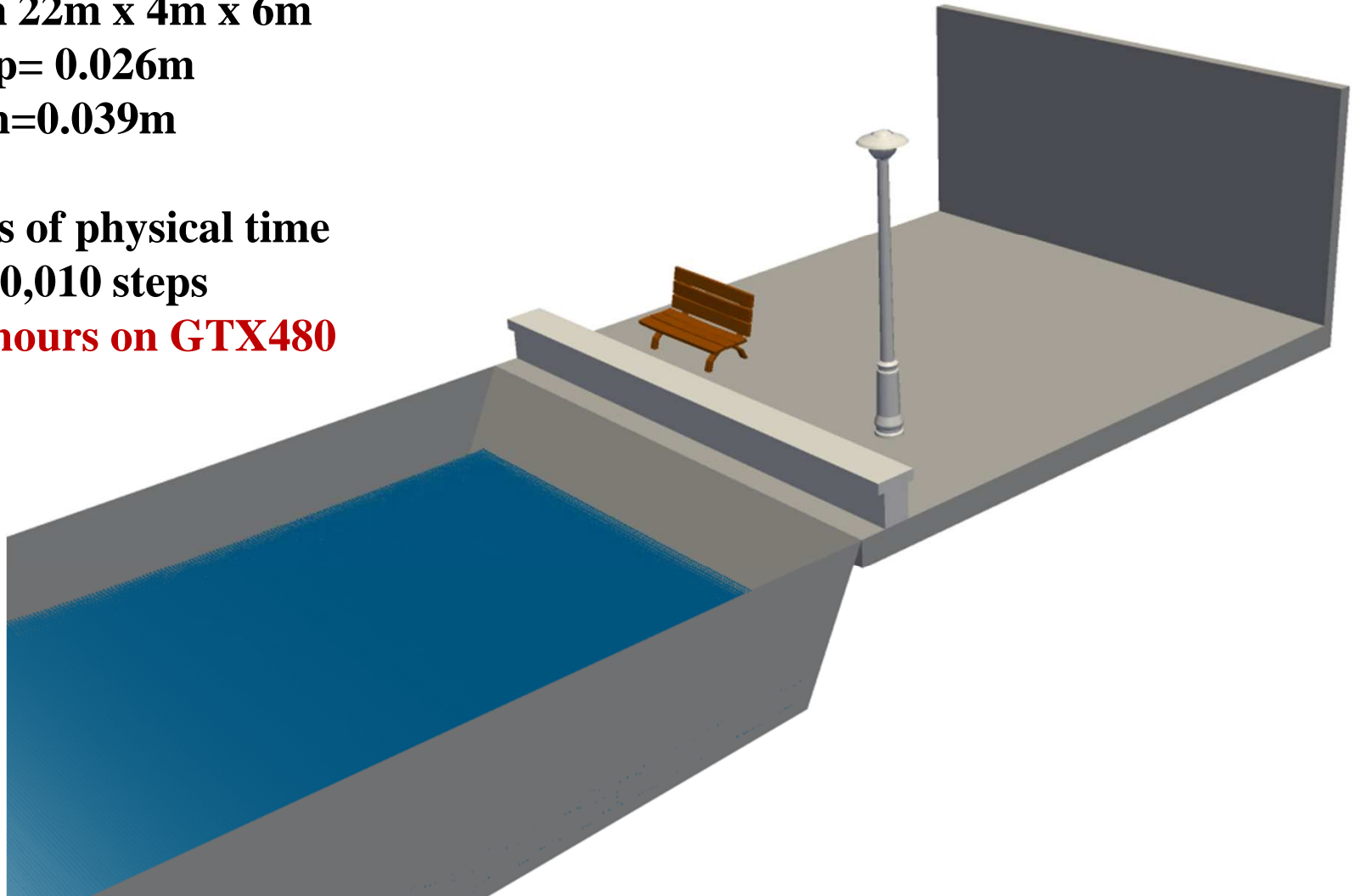


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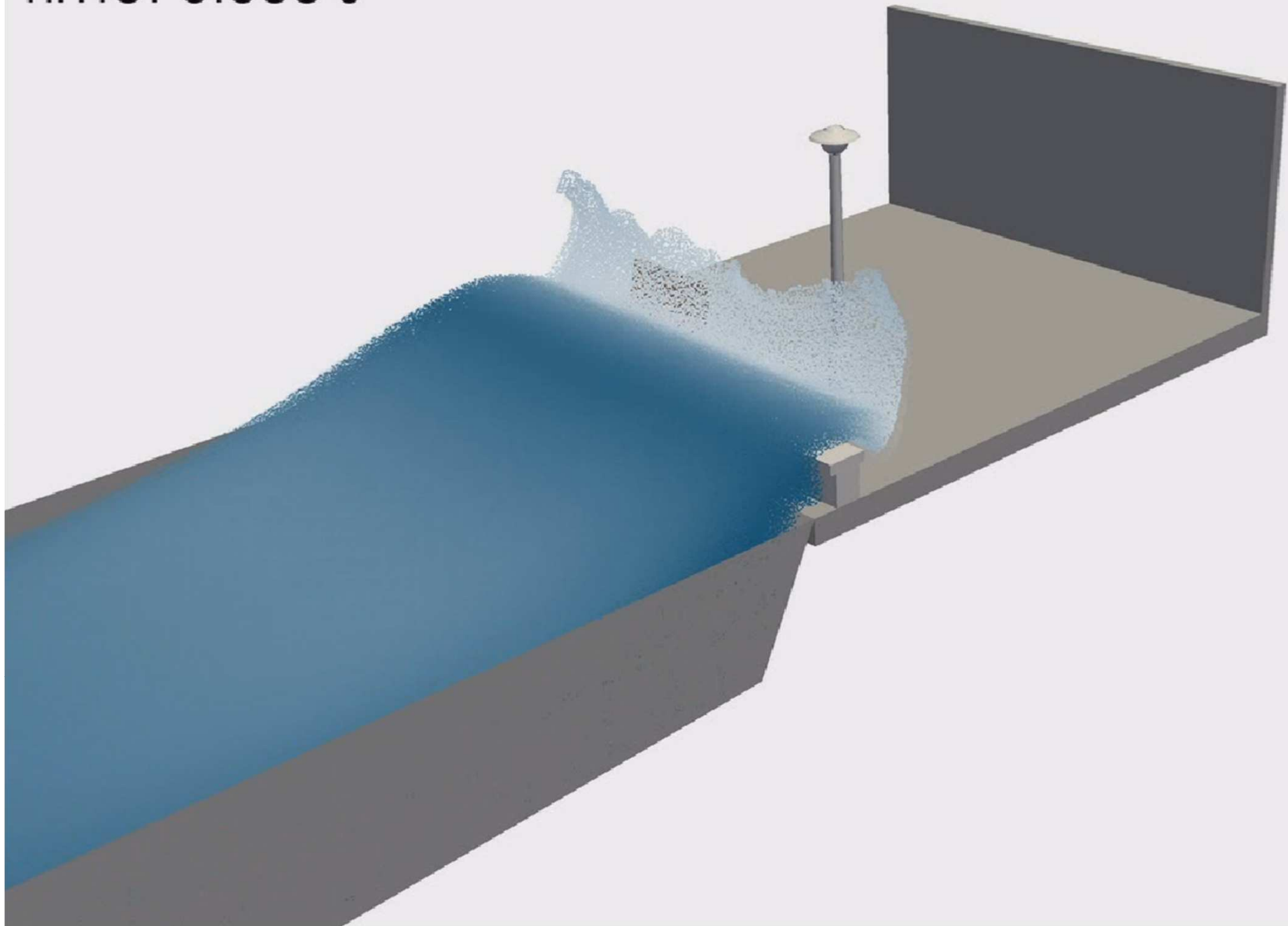
Seawalk-wave interaction with  
3,425,379 particles

domain 22m x 4m x 6m  
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8 seconds of physical time  
120,010 steps  
take 7.5 hours on GTX480



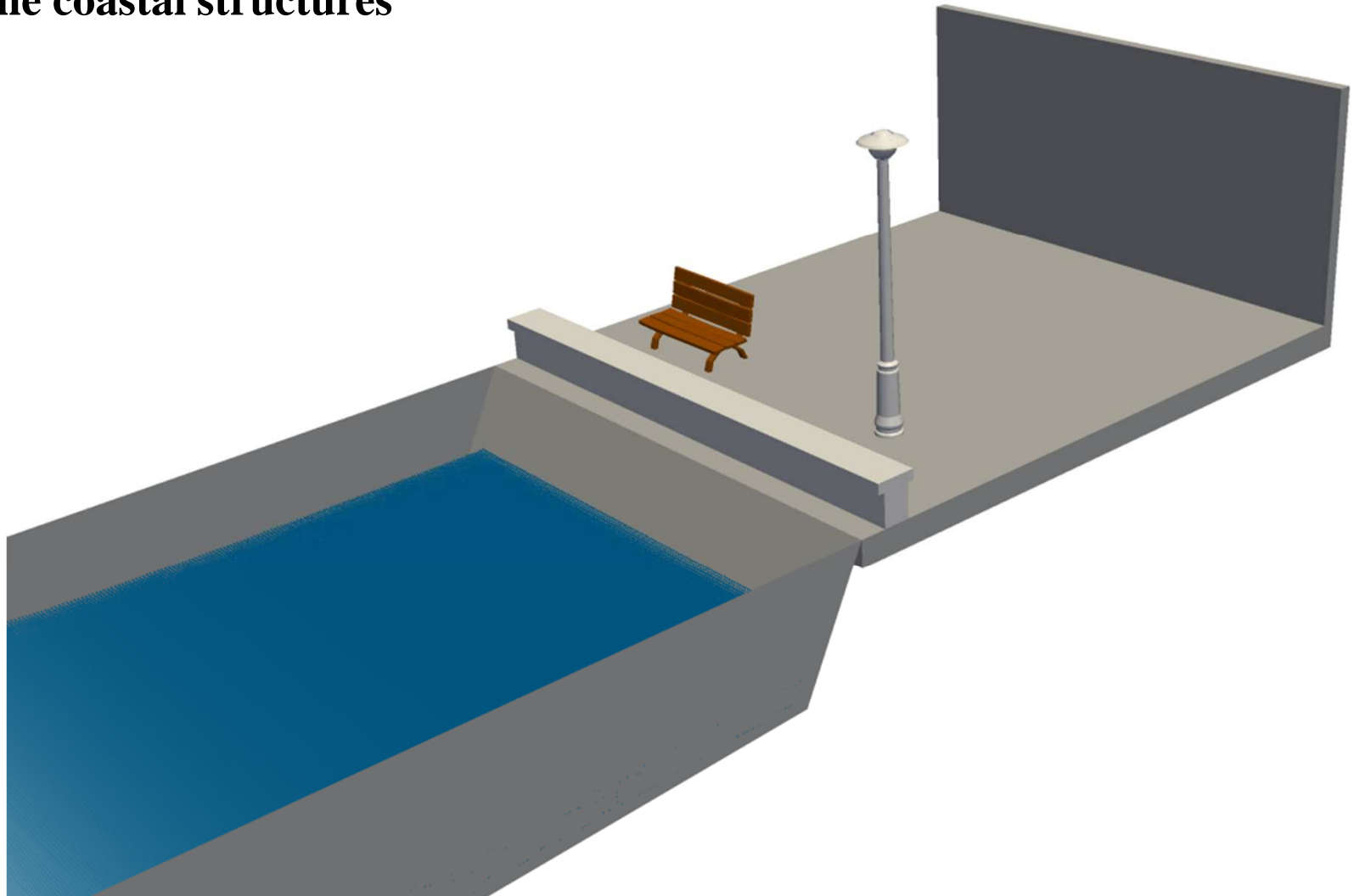
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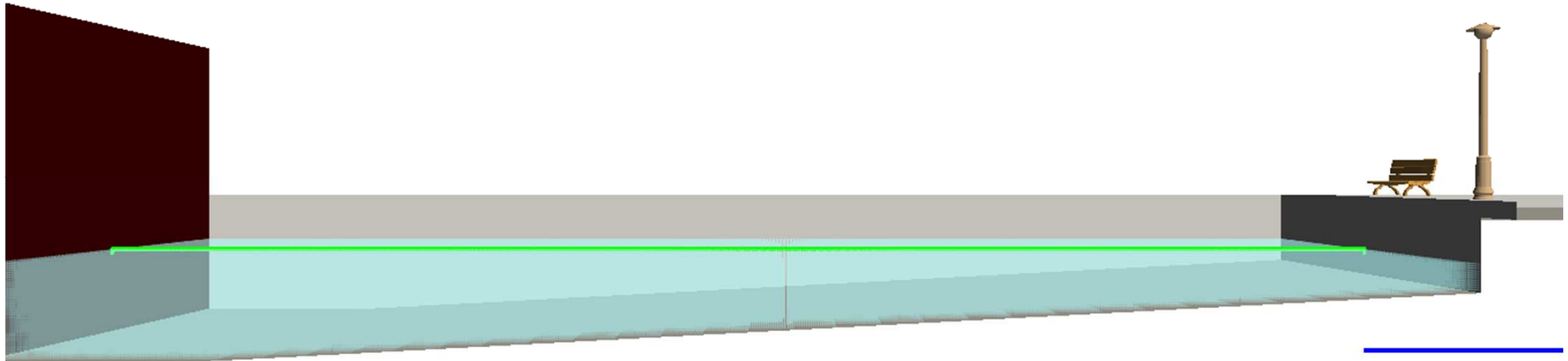
# Coastal protection

**We can measure the wave height**

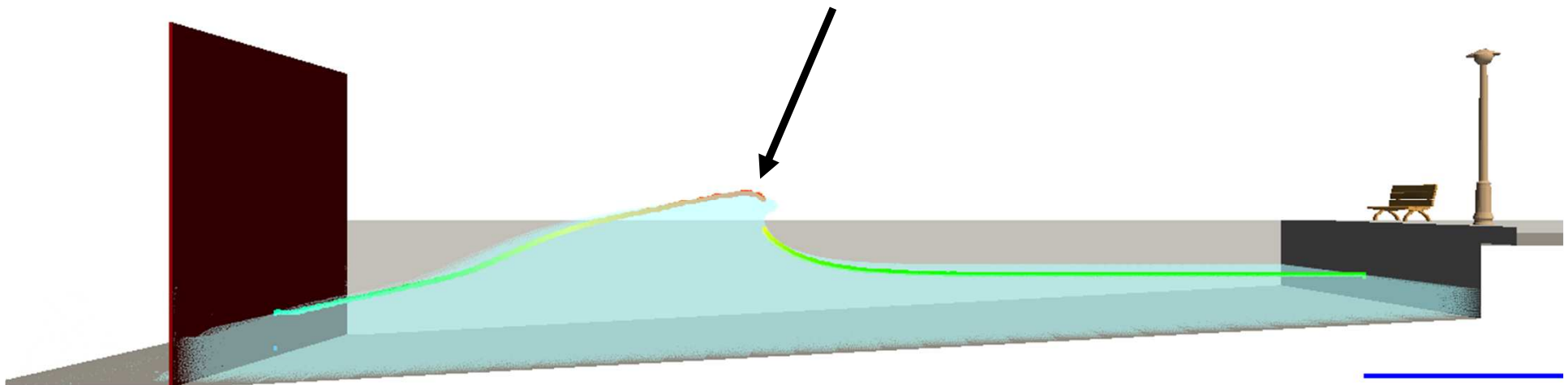
**We can compute the forces exerted  
onto the coastal structures**



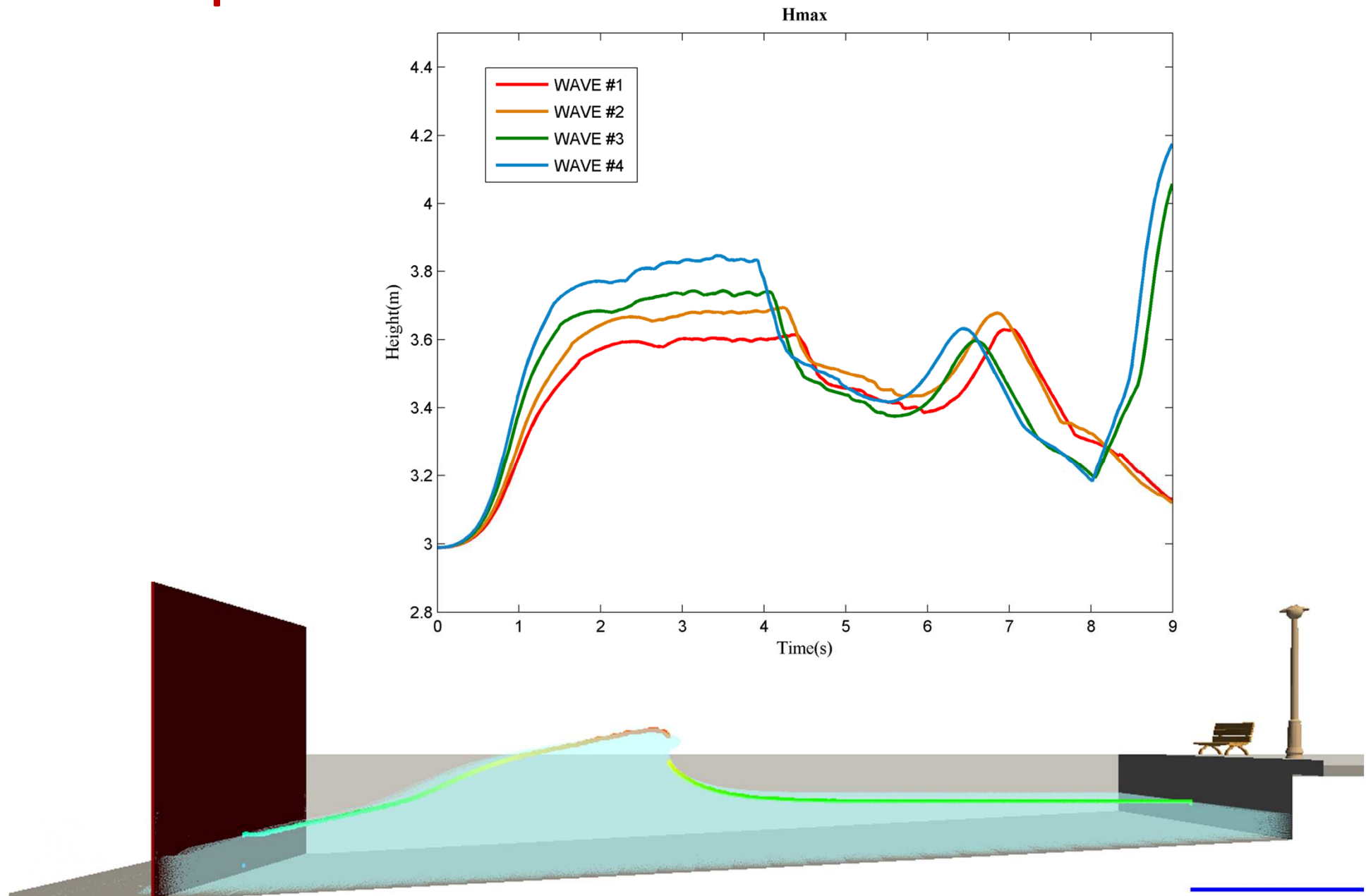
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$H_s = 4 \text{ m} ; T_p = 2 \text{ s}$

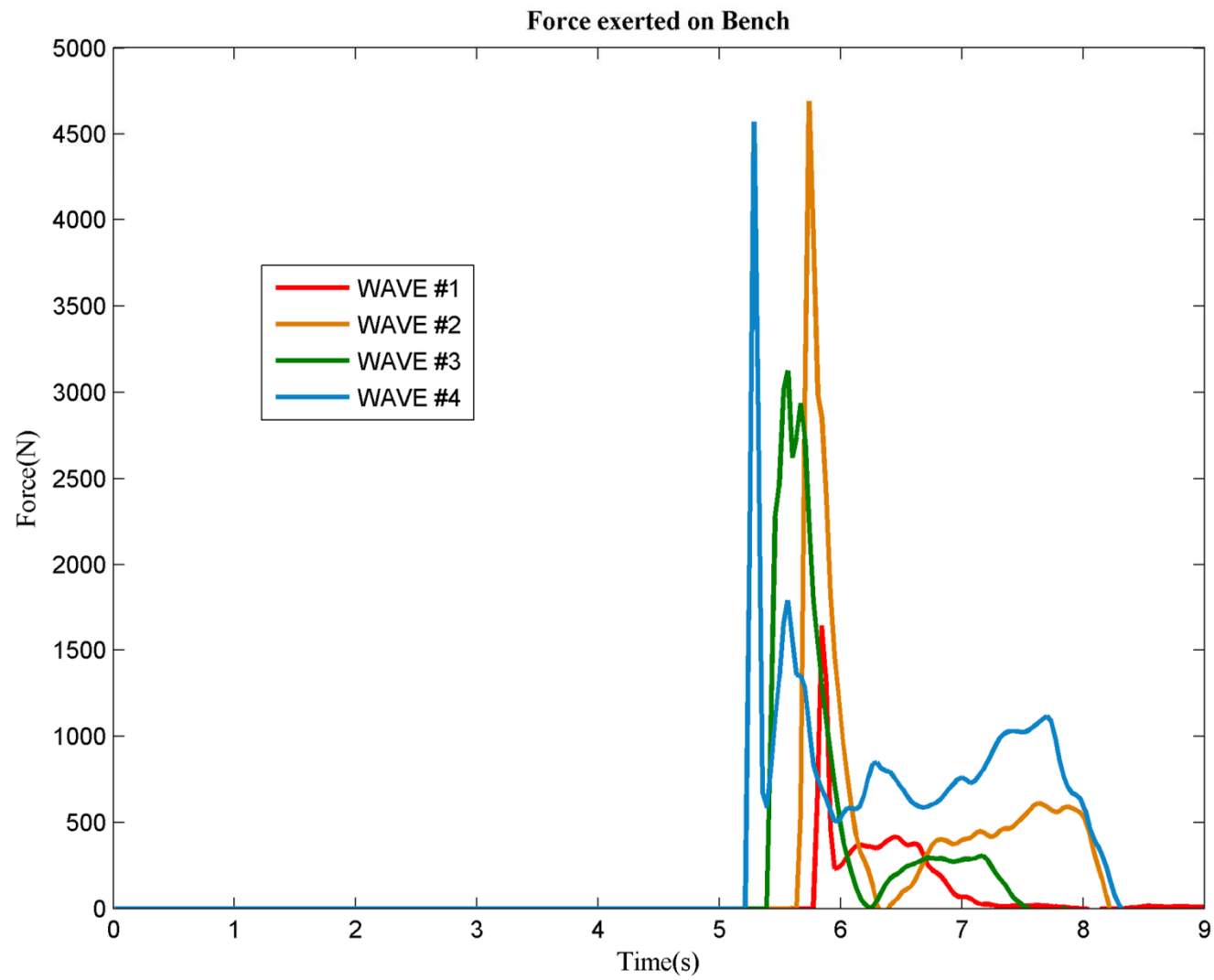


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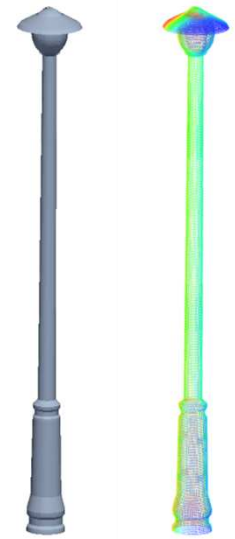
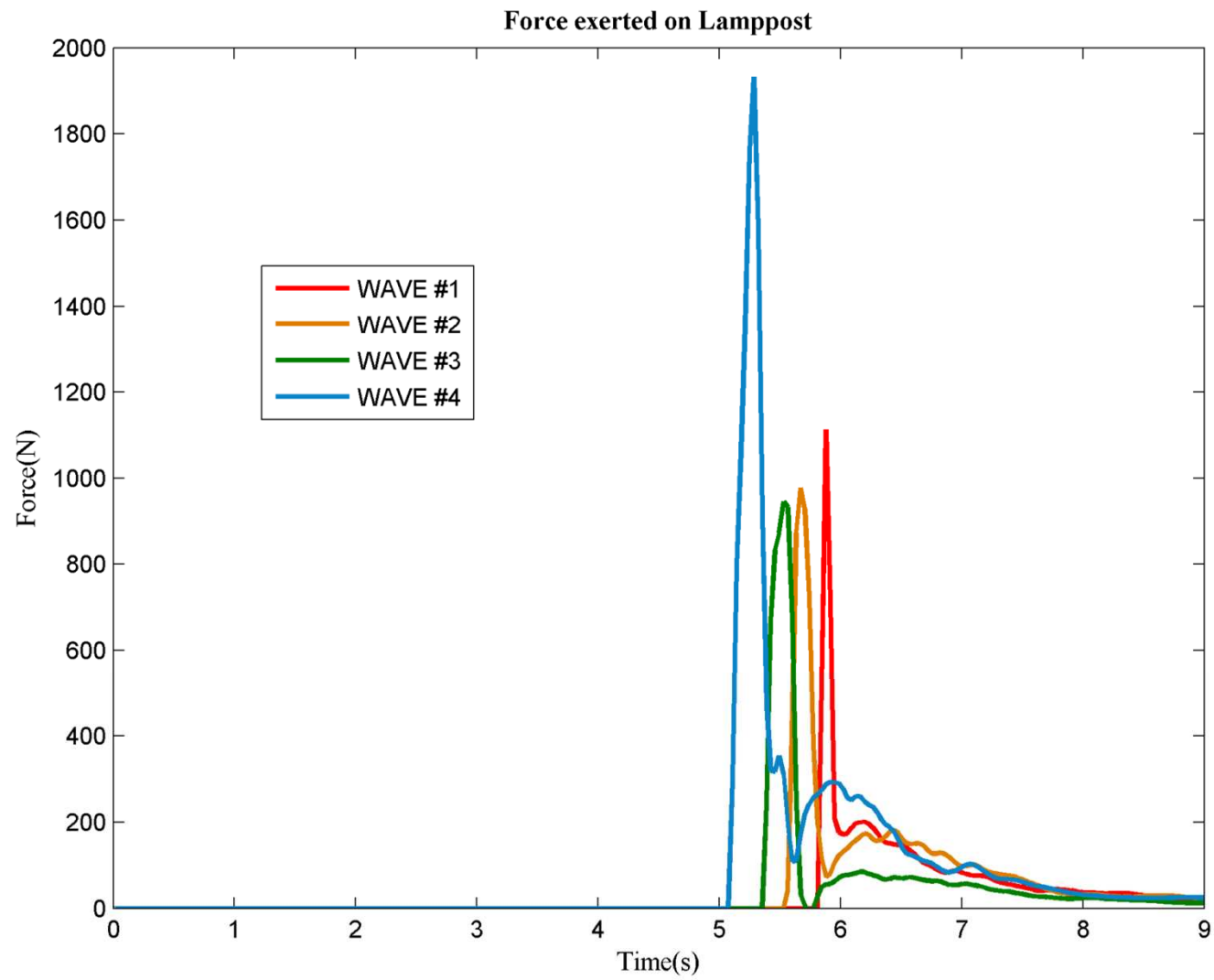
# Coastal protection

**BENCH**



# Coastal protection

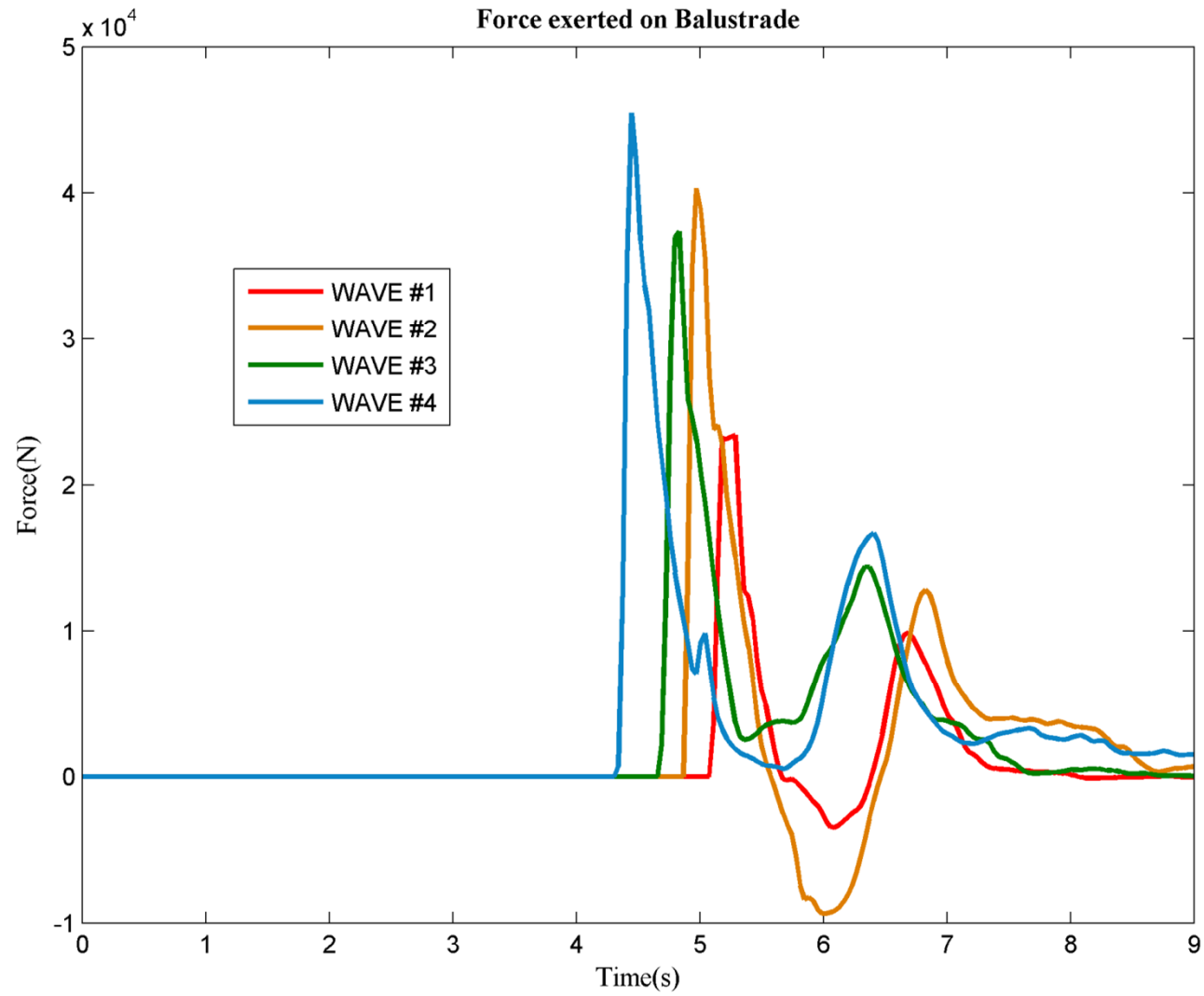
## LAMPPOST





# Coastal protection

## BALUSTRADE

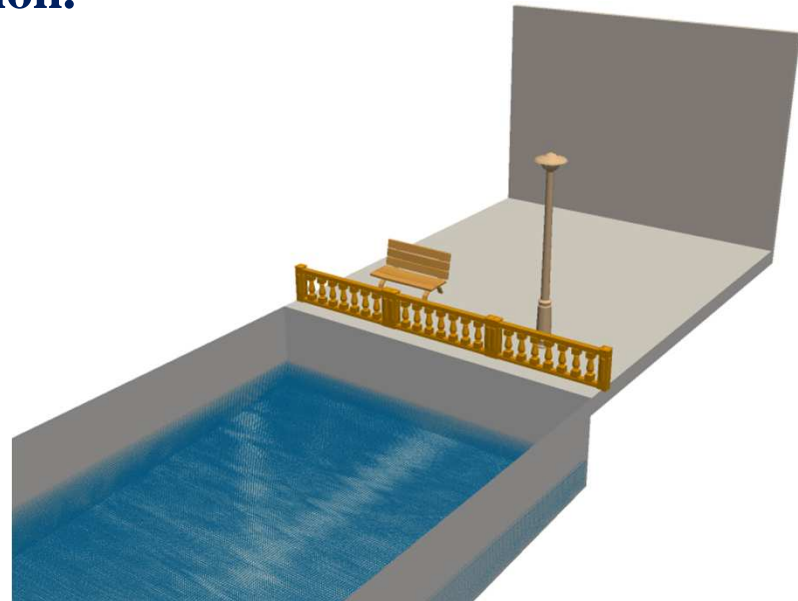


# Coastal protection

Simulating million particles in a few hours allows us to investigate:

- the damage due to extreme waves
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Now we can simulate different  $H_s$  and  $T_p$  of the incoming waves and design the best scenerio for mitigation.

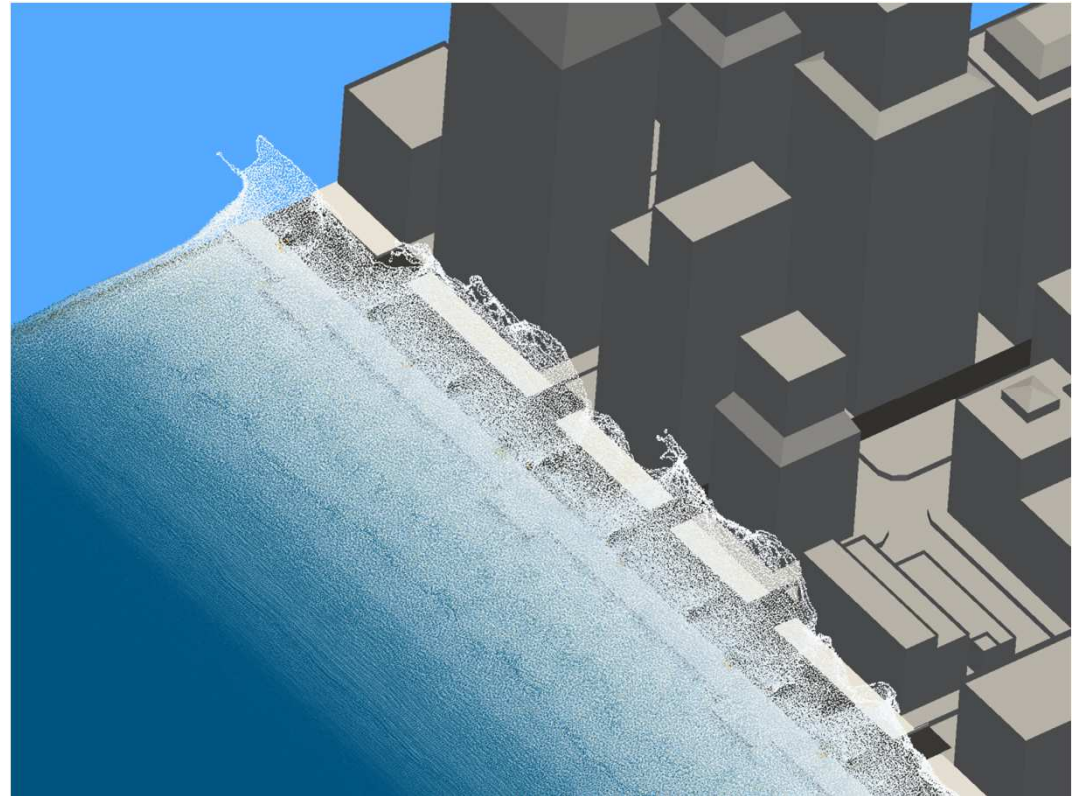


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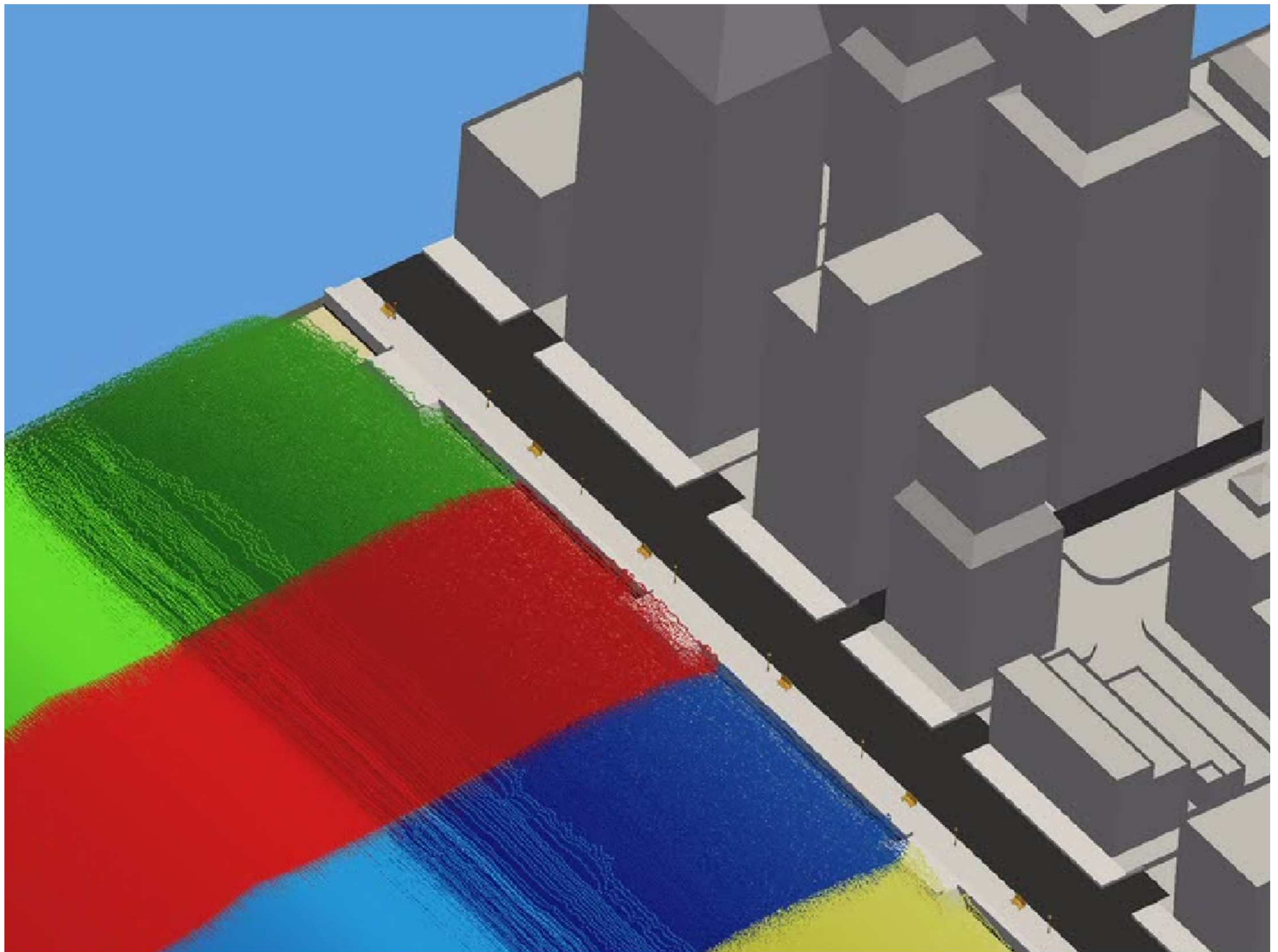
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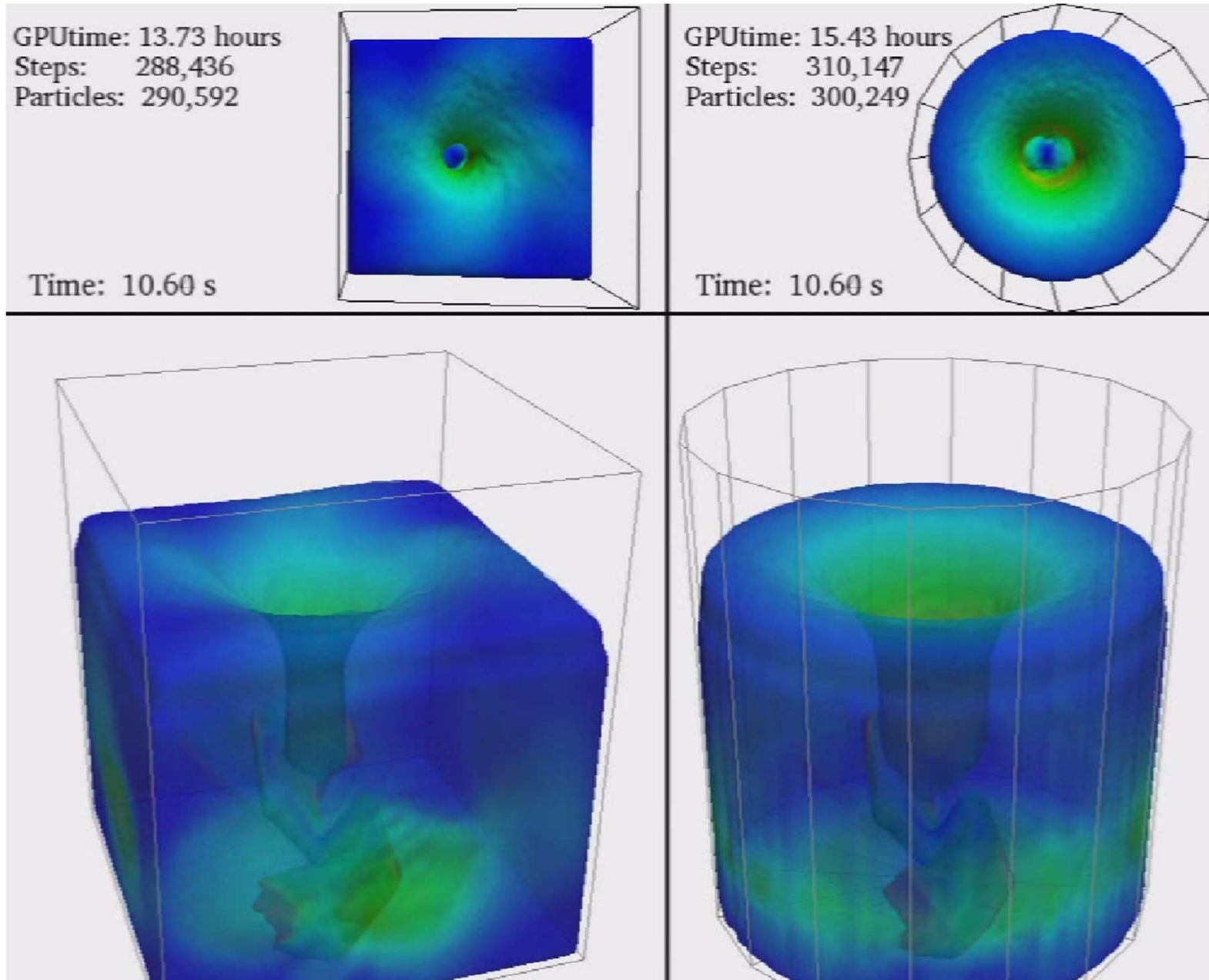
**5,342,325 particles close to the maximum memory space of  
ONE GTX 480**

**If we need  $h < 1.8\text{m}$ , we will need multi-GPUs**

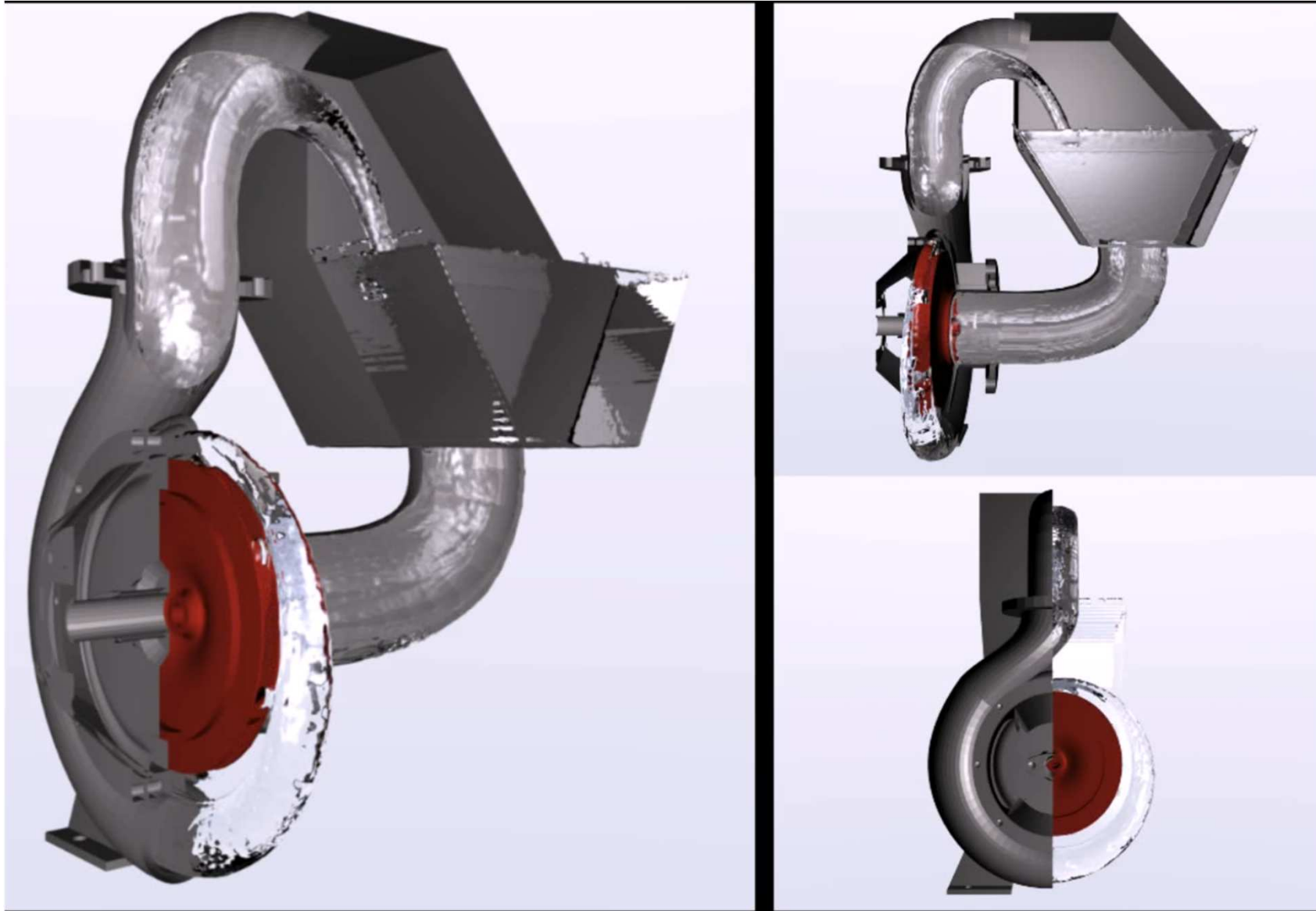




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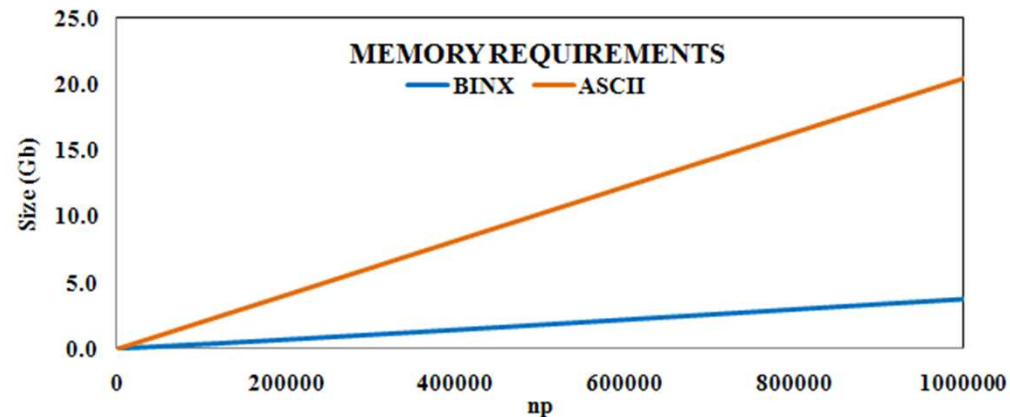
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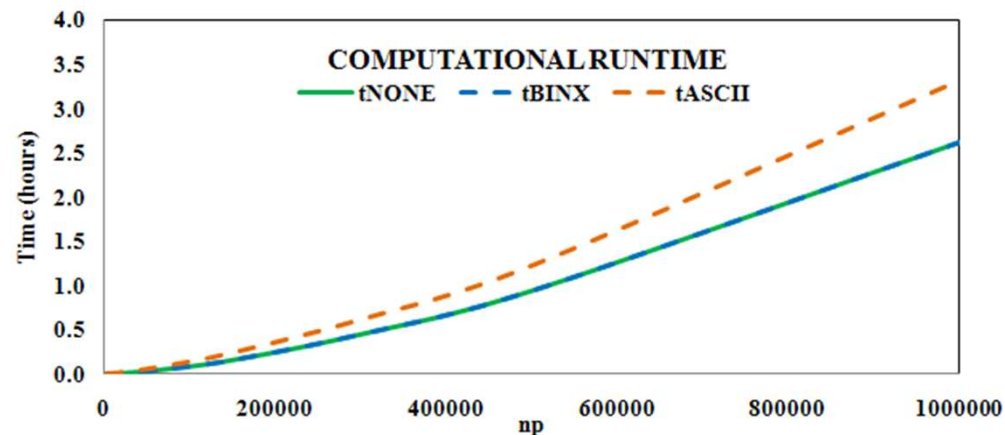
# FILE FORMAT

**Memory requirements and computational runtime for different output data formats.**

150 files are saved for a physical time of 1.5 seconds.



Binary format BINX consumes less memory, reduction of 80% compared to ASCII.



Time dedicated to save the output data in binary format takes the 0.1% of the total simulation.



# PRE-PROCESSING

In order to create a real **complex geometry** to reproduce an industrial problem the first main issue is the resolution with which the objects are represented.

To obtain realistic results with SPH it is appropriate that the **initial geometry** is as **close** as possible **to a real industrial problem**.

This drawback can be solved when several million particles are used in the simulation. Thus, a new pre-processing tool has been developed to deal with more complex geometries: **GenCase** code.

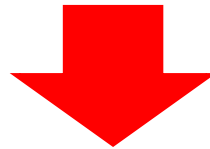
# PRE-PROCESSING

3DS DXF DWG GIS H5PART CSV MAX SHP CAD  
PLY STL VTK



PLY -> exportable using BLENDER  
STL -> exportable using 3DSTUDIO  
VTK -> PARAVIEW

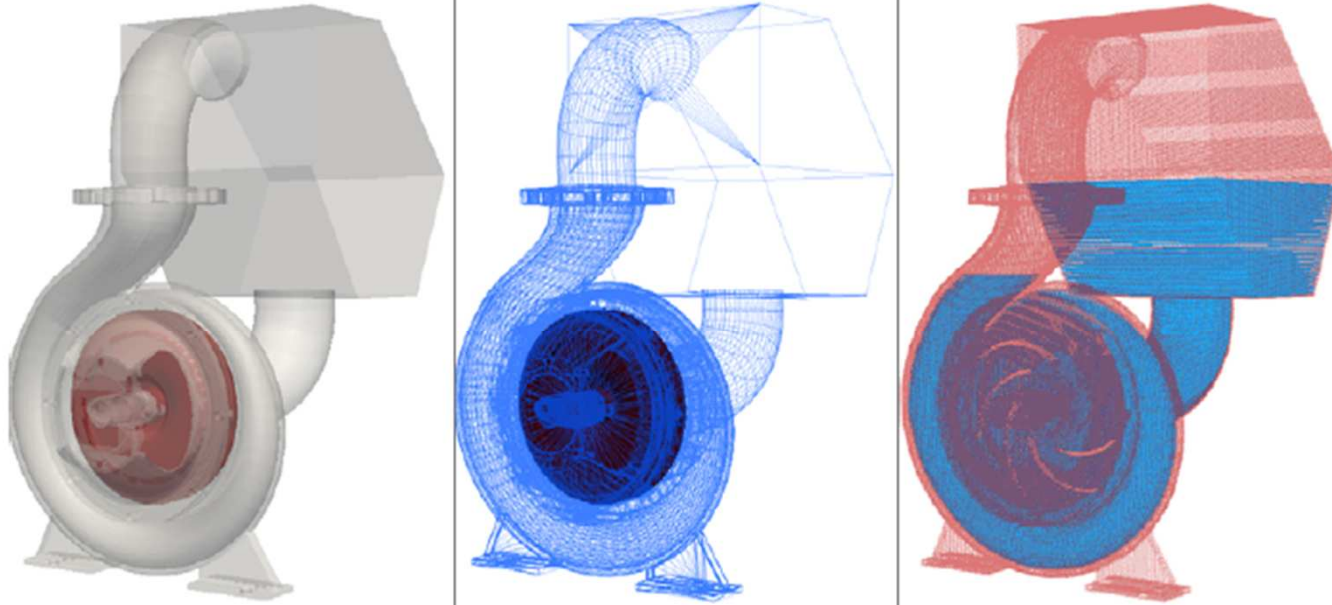
(files that contain vertices and polygons)



PLY, STL and VTK can be loaded by GenCase  
The file is actually a set of triangles, each of these triangles are converted to particles

# PRE-PROCESSING

## Importing CAD files

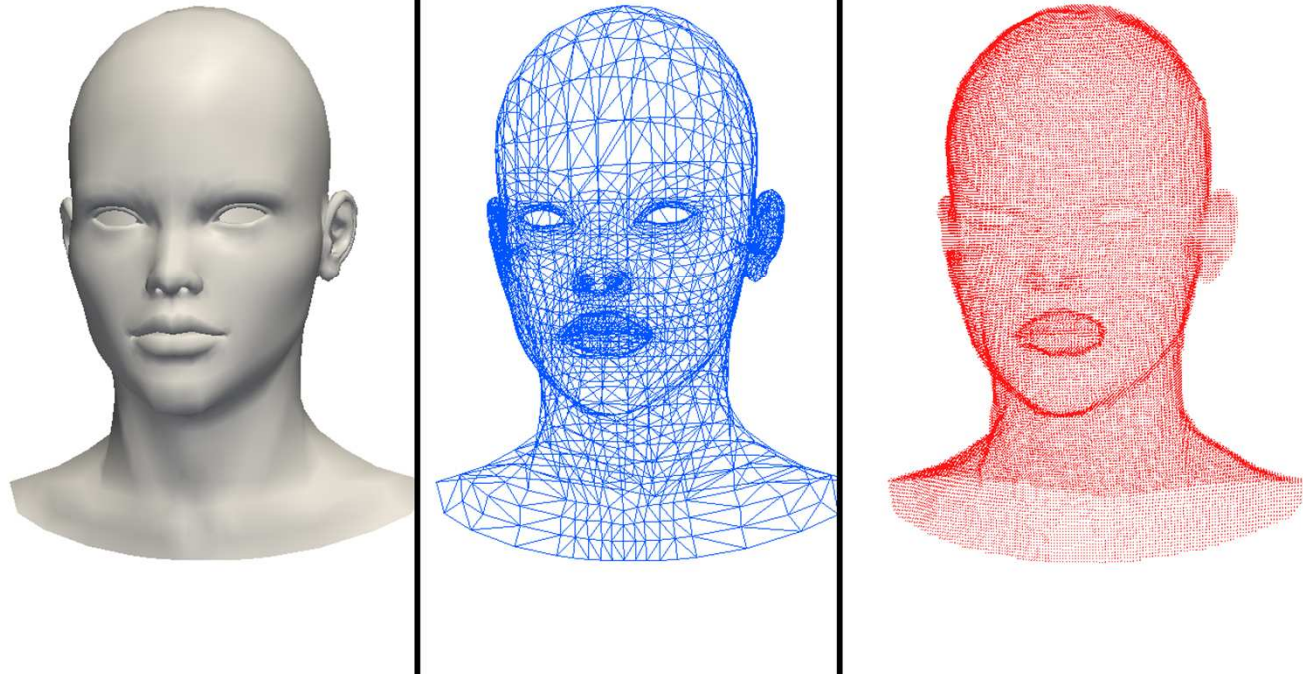


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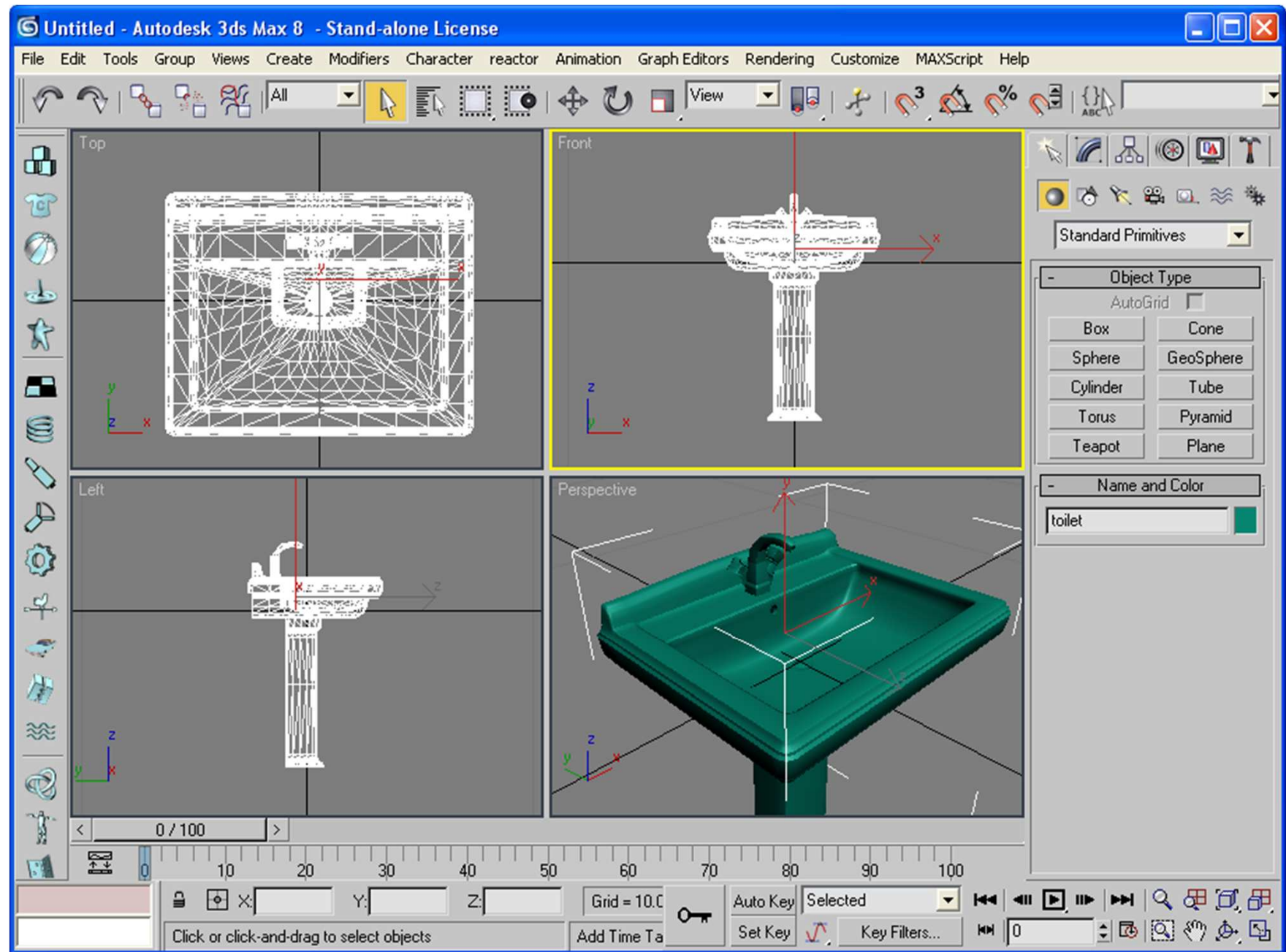
## Importing 3DStudio objects



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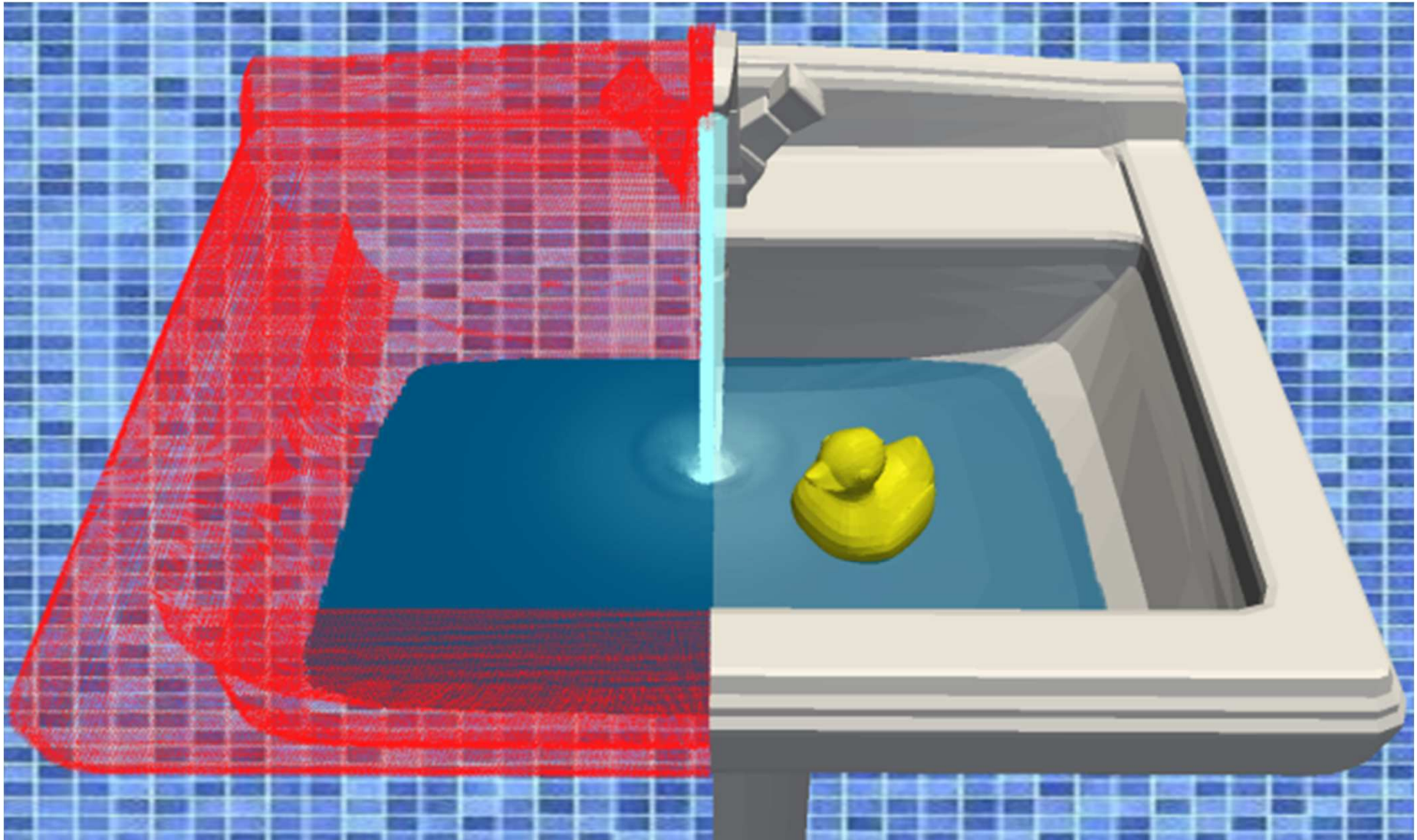
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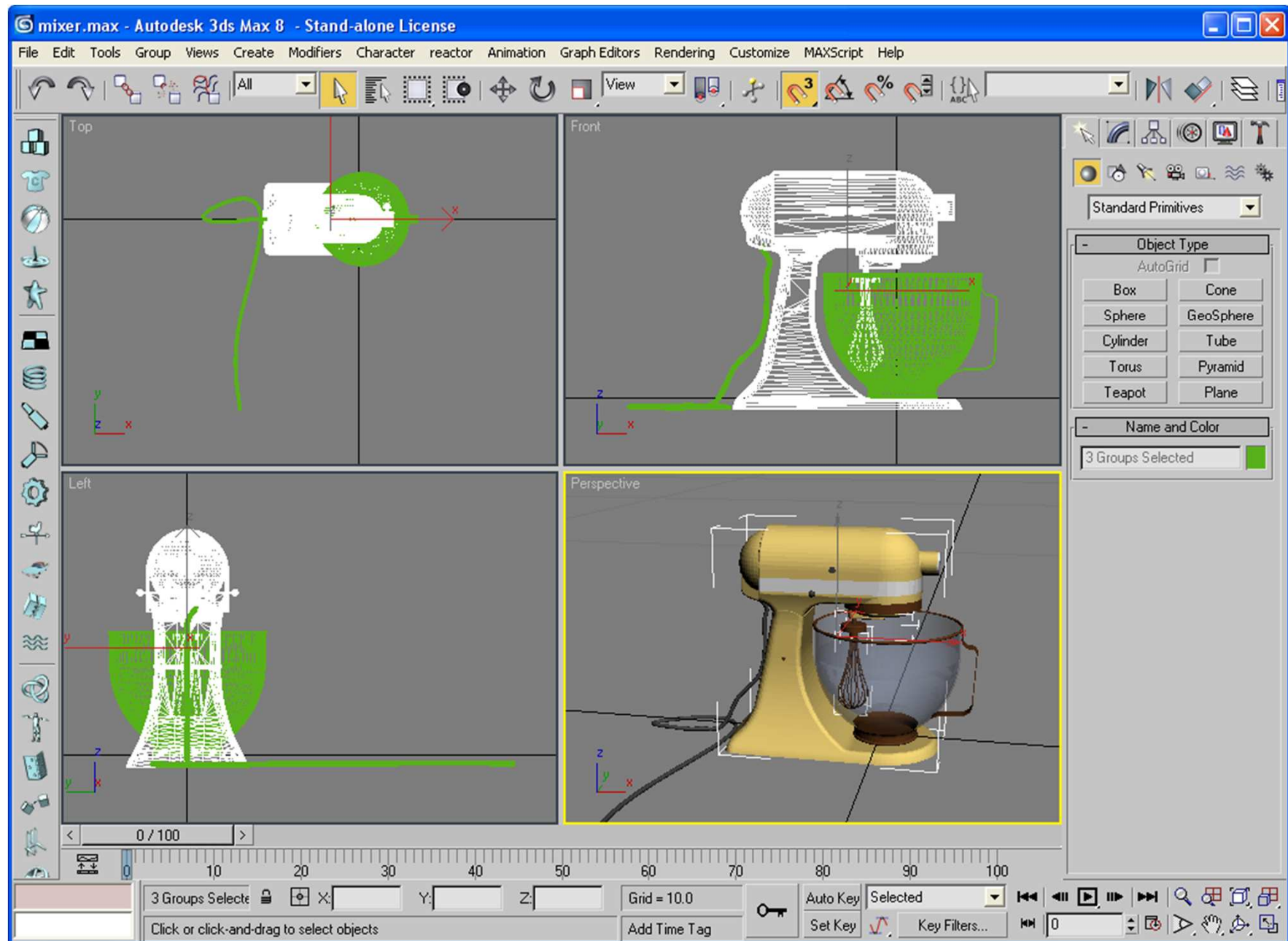


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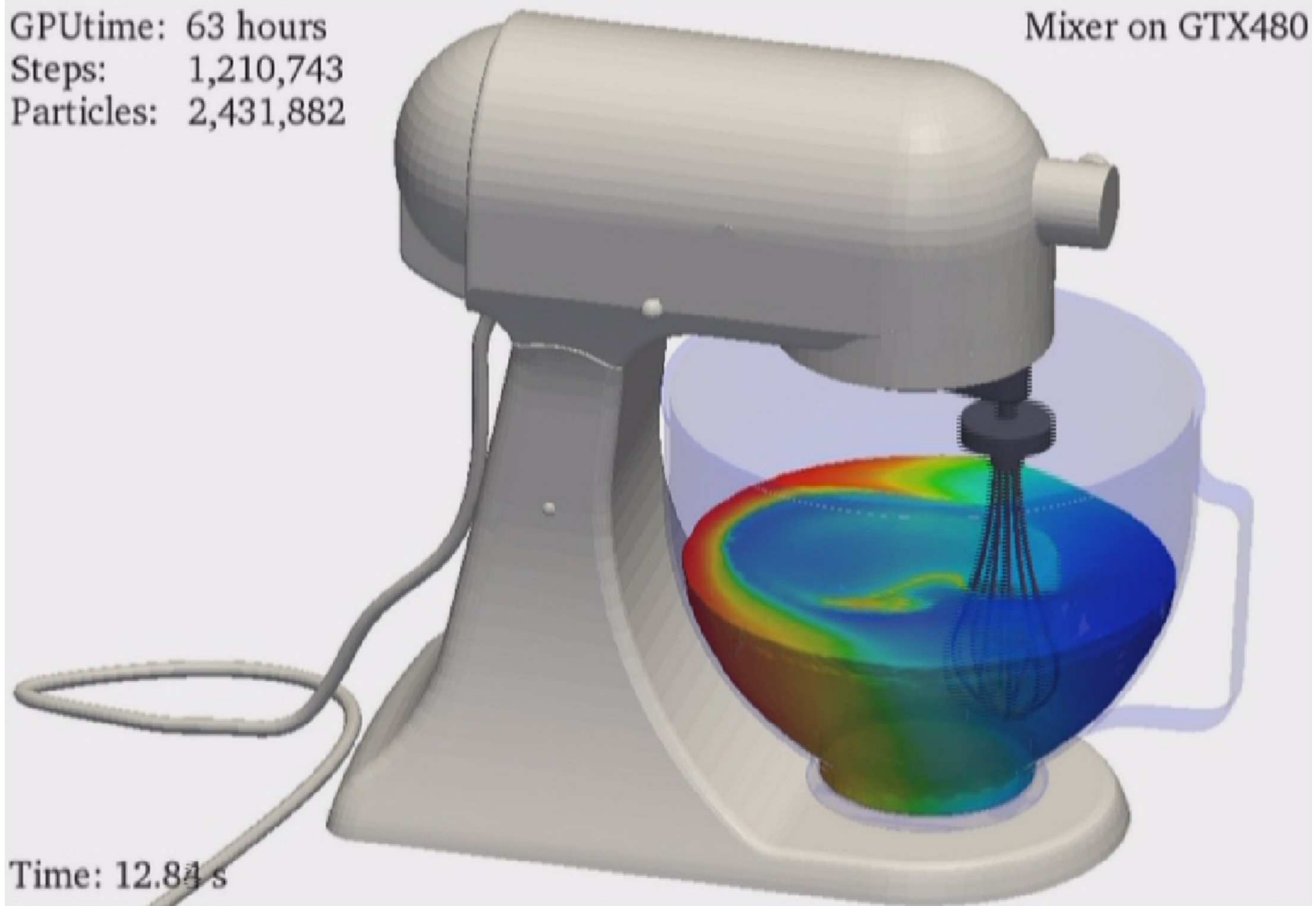
# PRE-PROCESSING



GPUtime: 63 hours  
Steps: 1,210,743  
Particles: 2,431,882

Mixer on GTX480

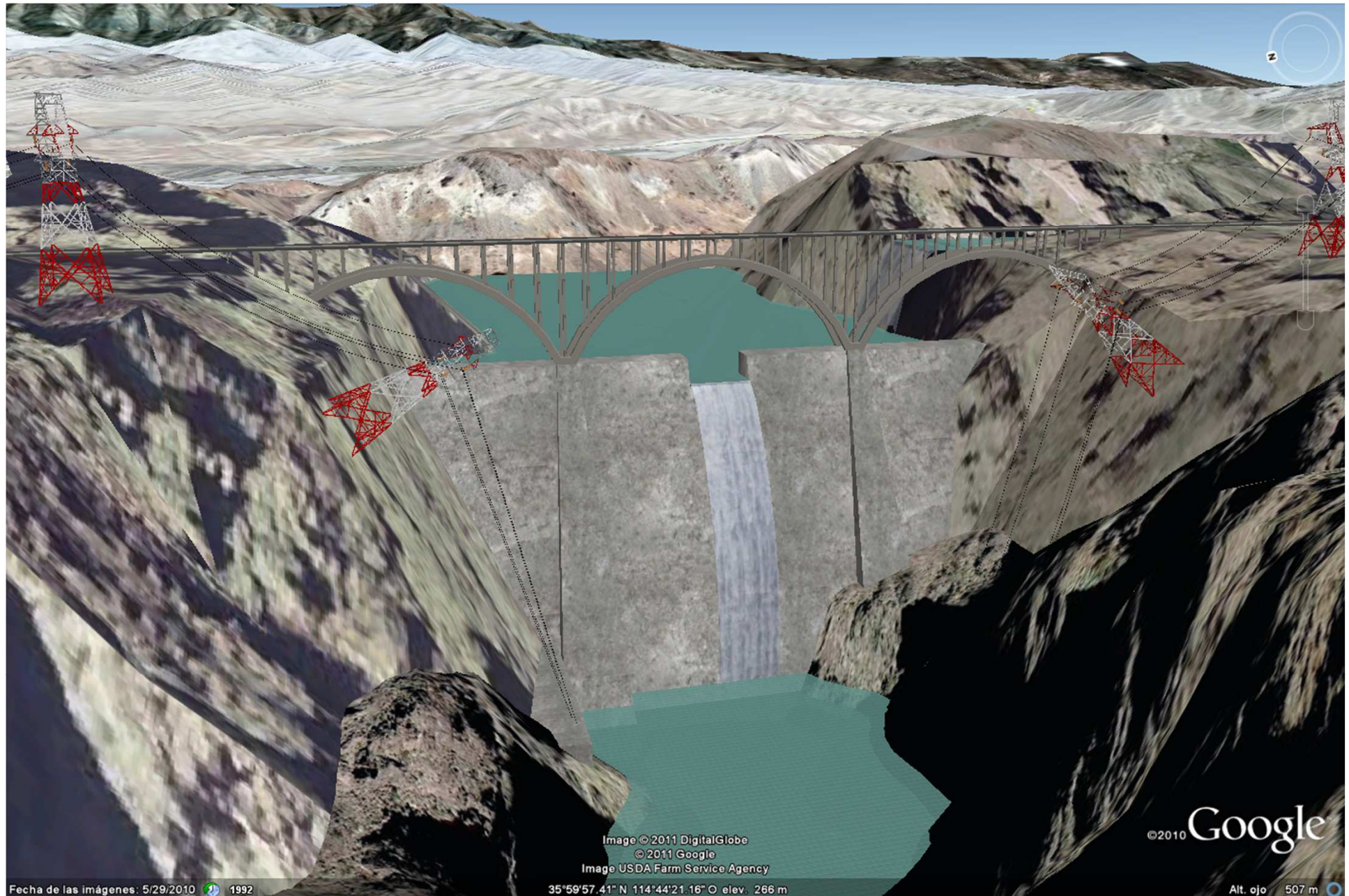
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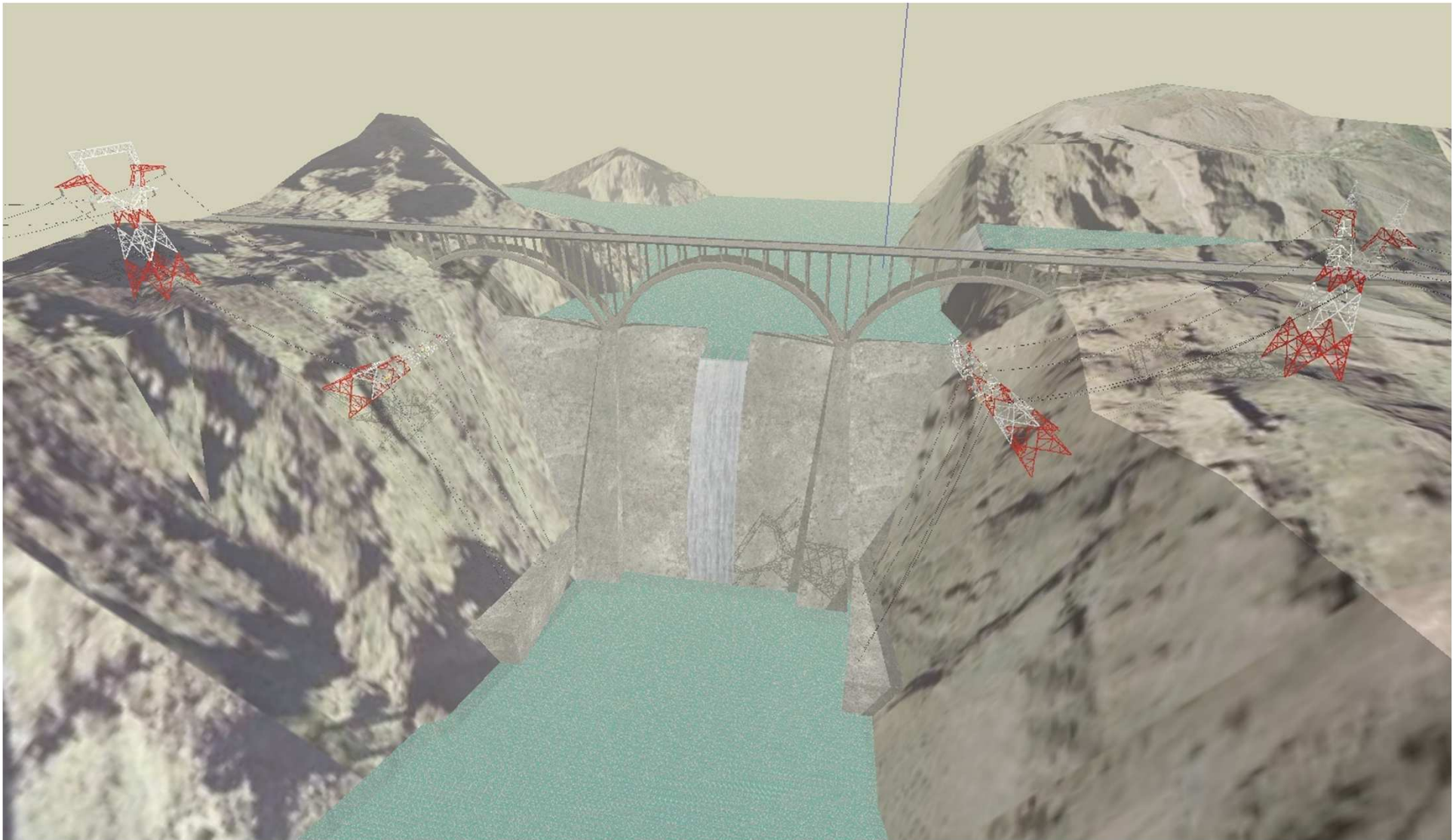
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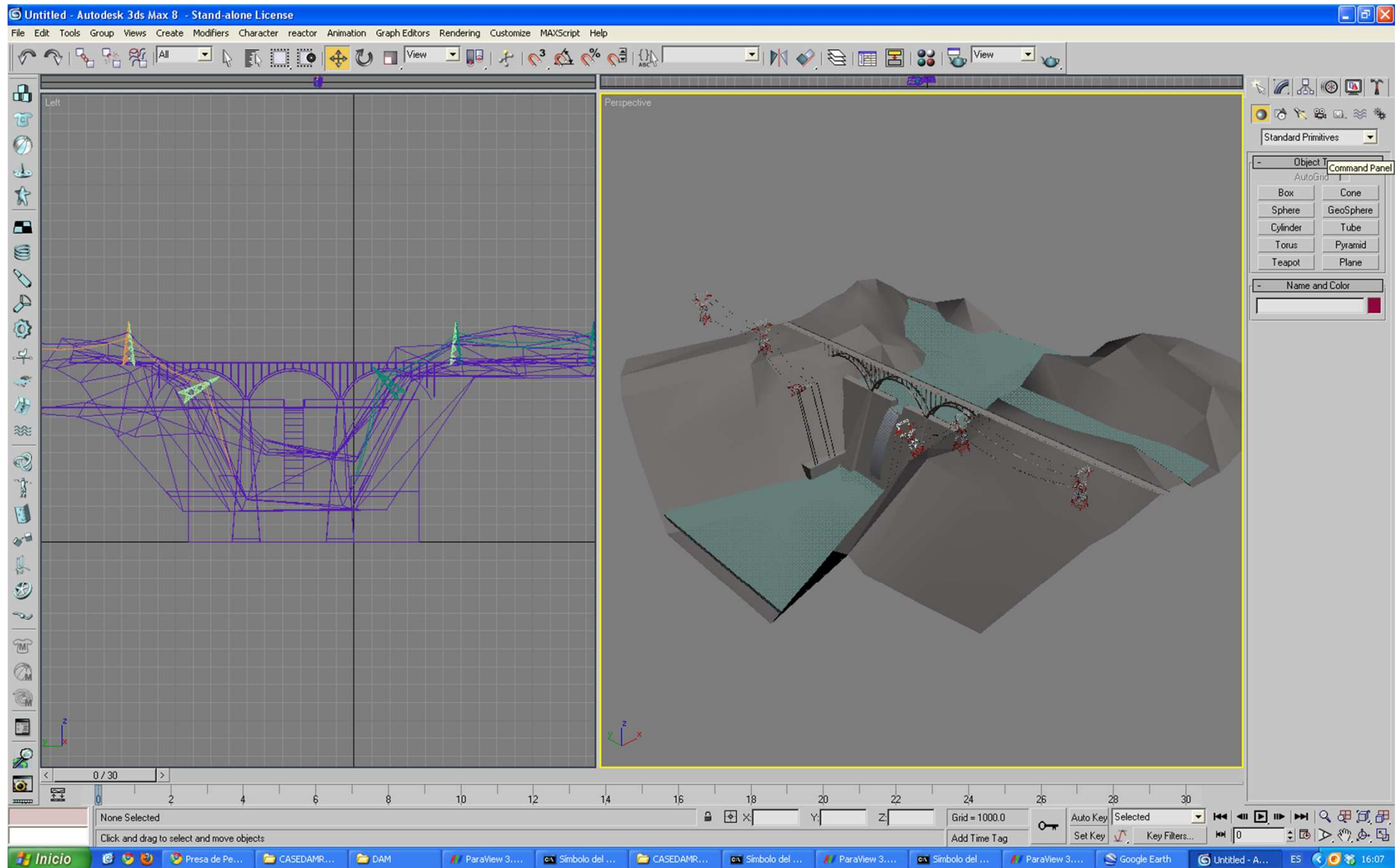
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SKP from GOOGLE Sketchup 8



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## 3DS from Autodesk 3ds MAX 8



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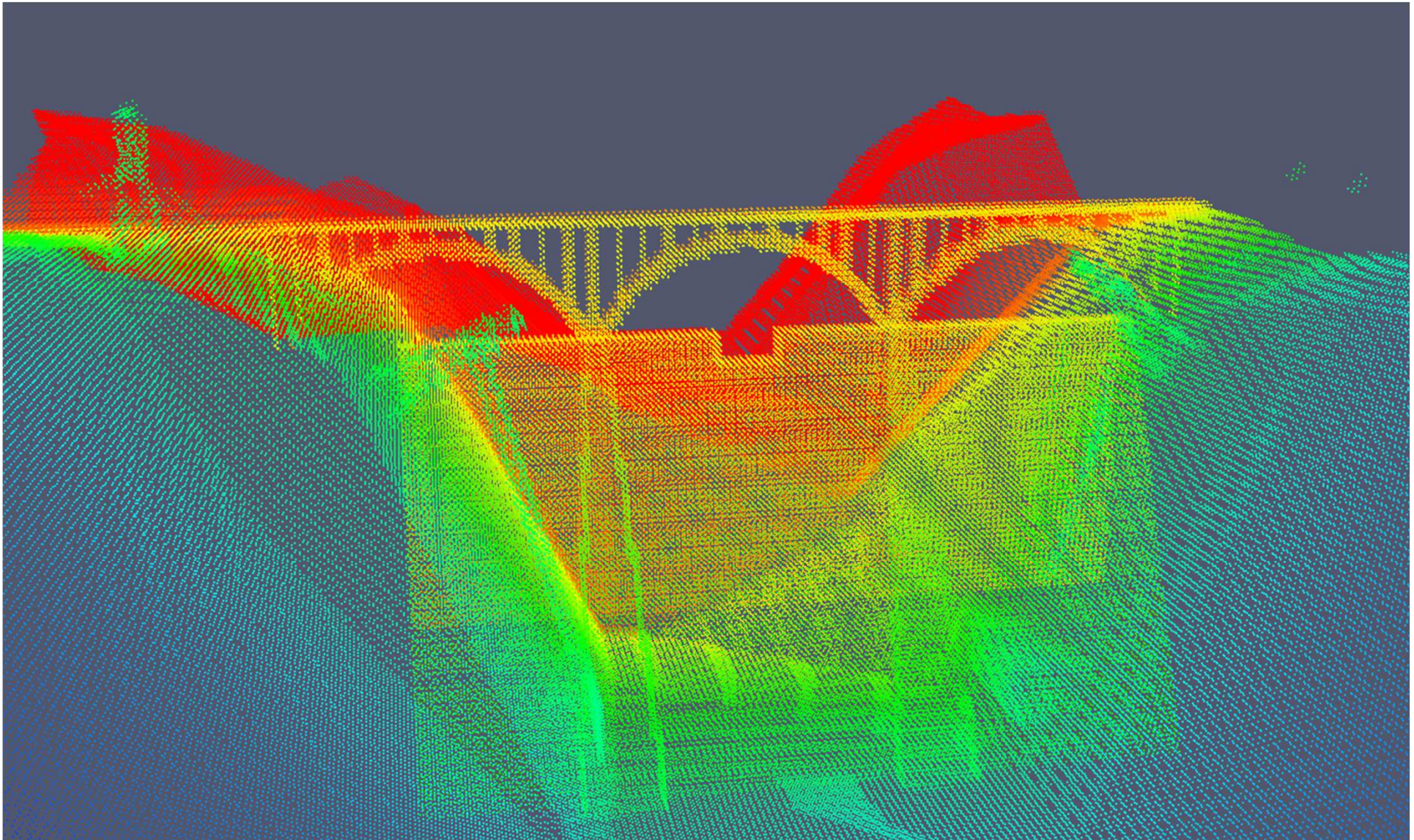
VTK(polygons) from Paraview





# PRE-PROCESSING

VTK(points) from Paraview

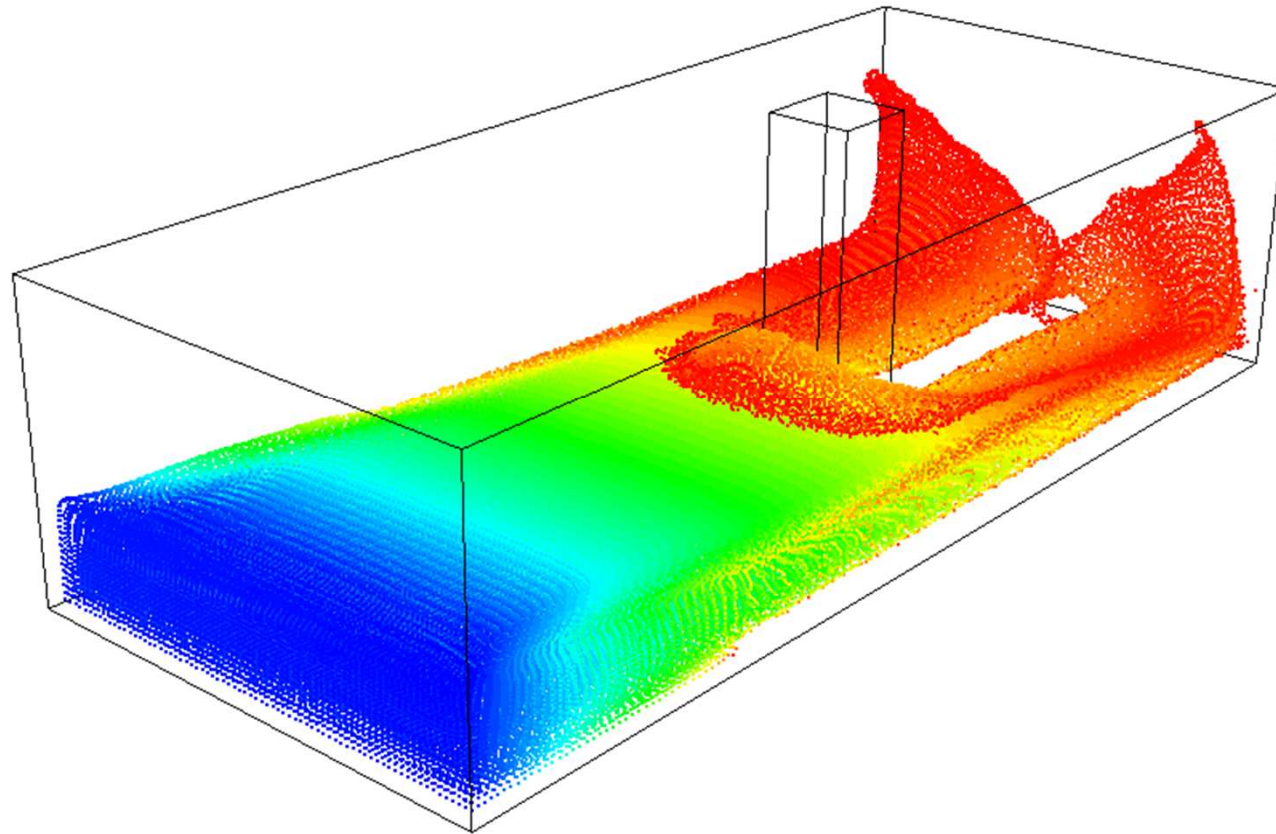






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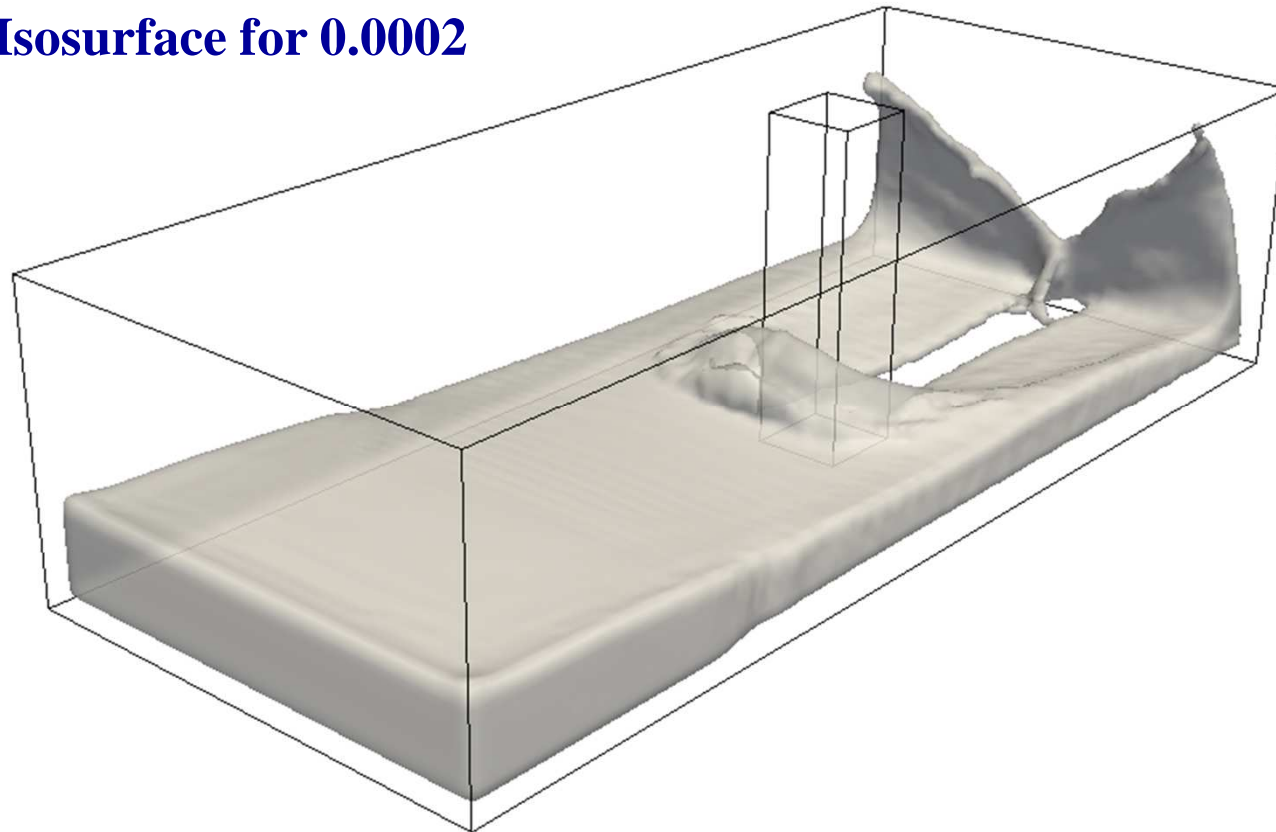
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Isosurface for 0.0002

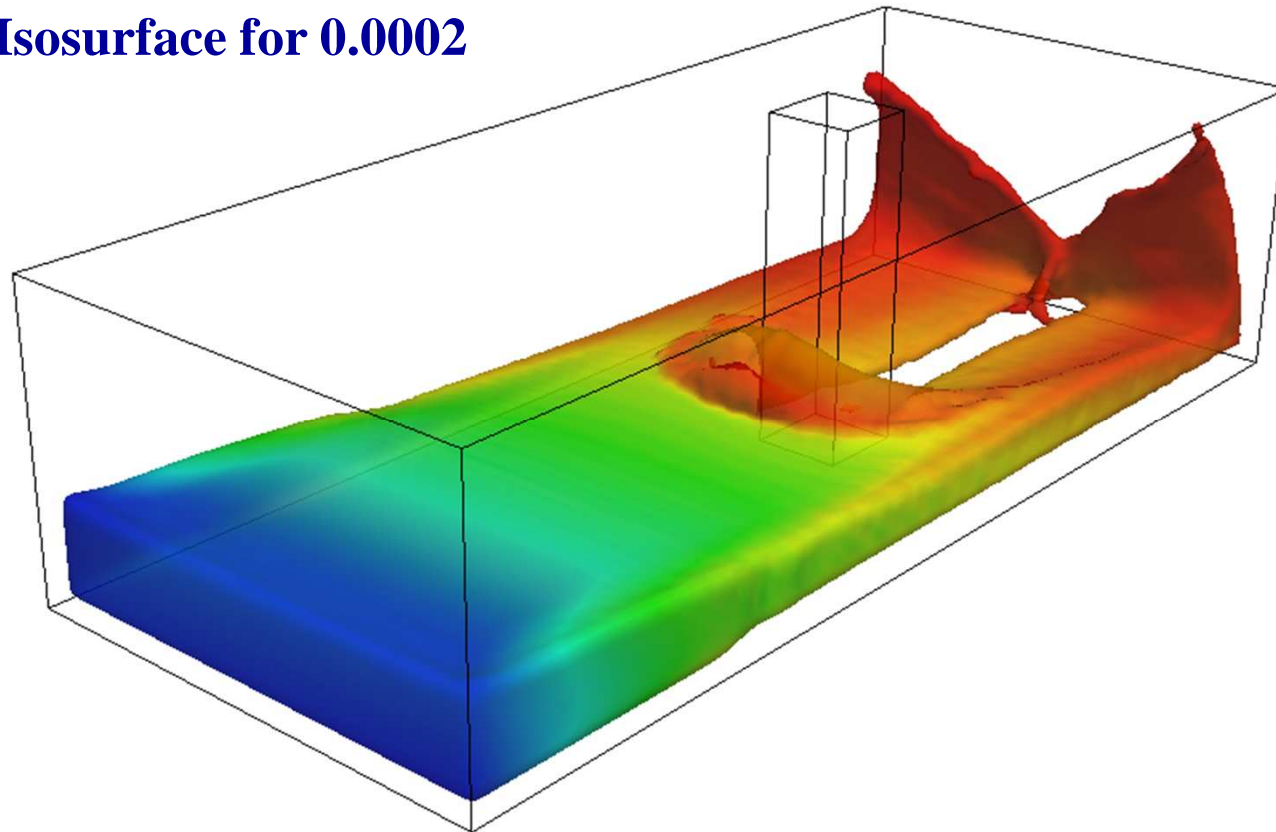




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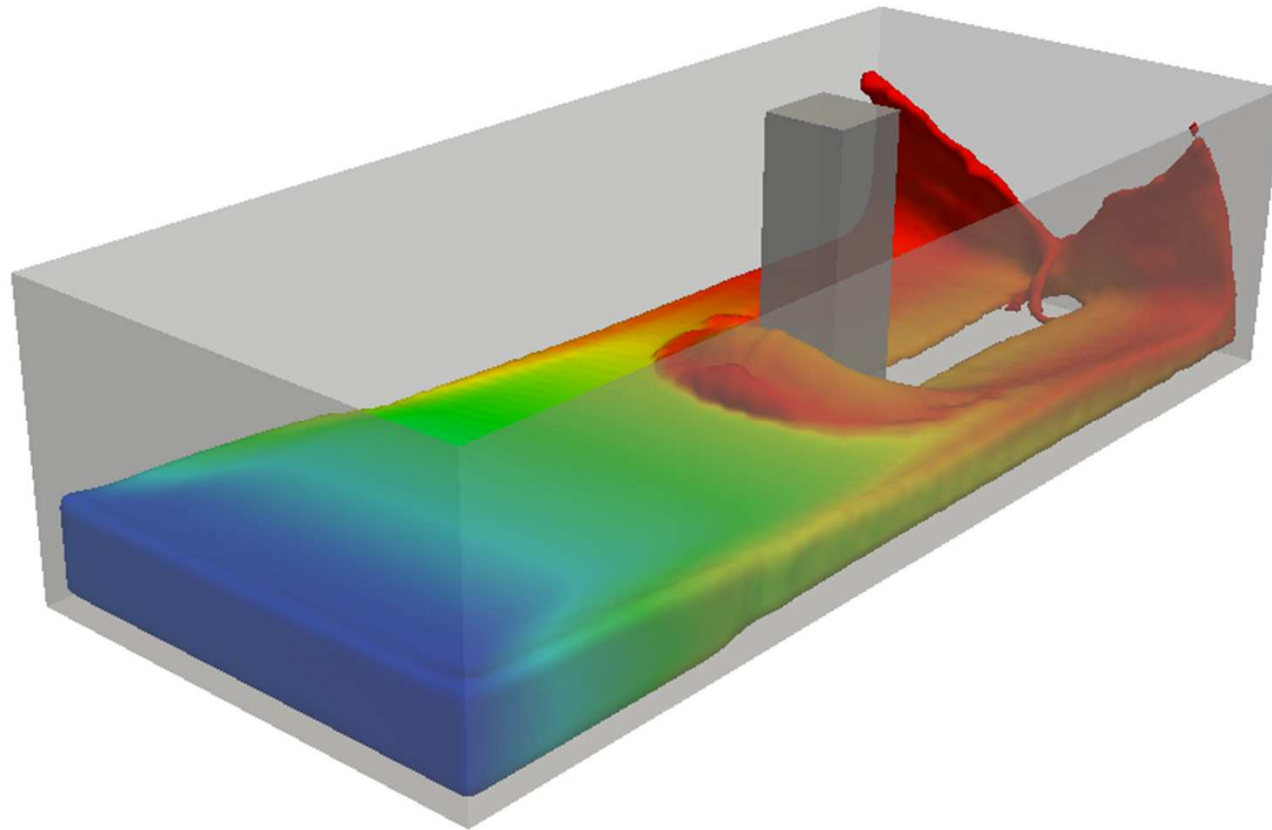
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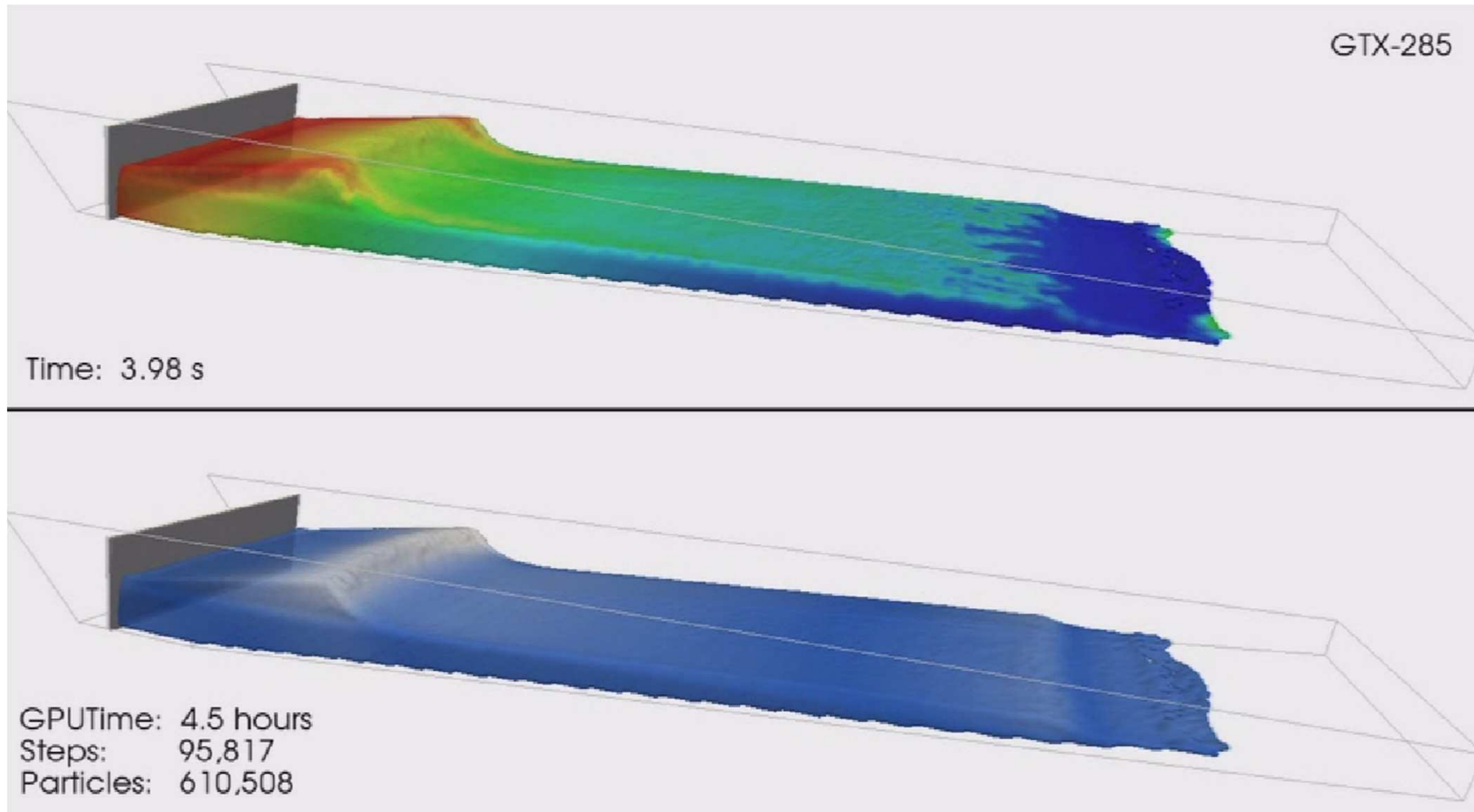


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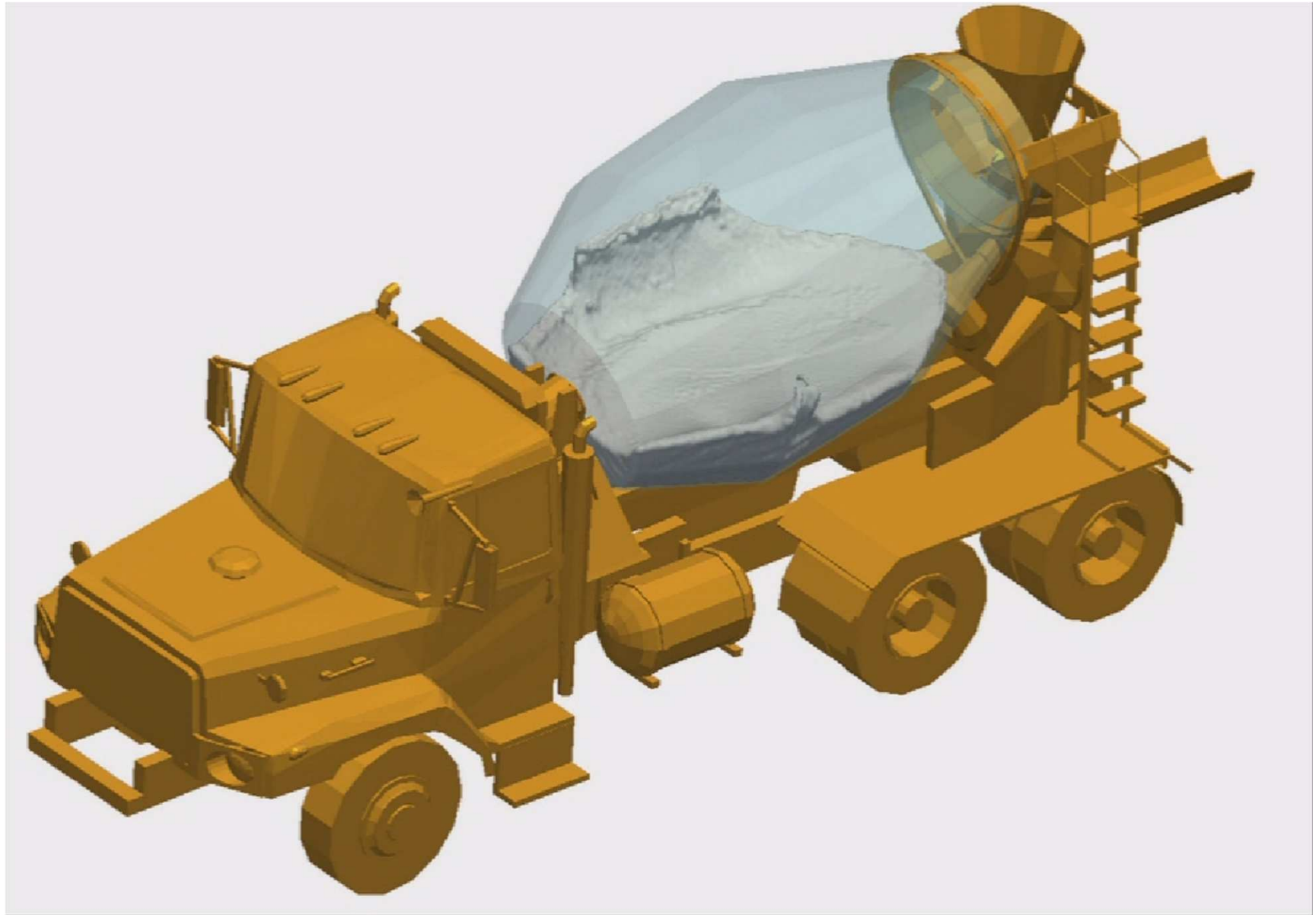
Import VTK objects



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### SPHysics - SPH Free-surface Flow Solver

Open-Source Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics code



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### The SPHysics Code

SPHysics is a platform of Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics (SPH) codes inspired by the formulation of Monaghan (1992) developed jointly by researchers at the Johns Hopkins University (U.S.A.), the University of Vigo (Spain), the University of Manchester (U.K.) and the University of Rome La Sapienza (Italy). Developed over a number of years primarily to study free-surface flow phenomena where Eulerian methods can be difficult to apply, such as waves, impact of dam-breaks on off-shore structures. We are excited to announce that there are 3 codes available: [Code Features](#), while future versions can be found under ([Future Developments & Releases](#)).

**v2.2.1 Serial Code UPDATE RELEASED: January 2011**

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**v1.0 DualSPHysics CPU-GPU Code RELEASED: January 2011**

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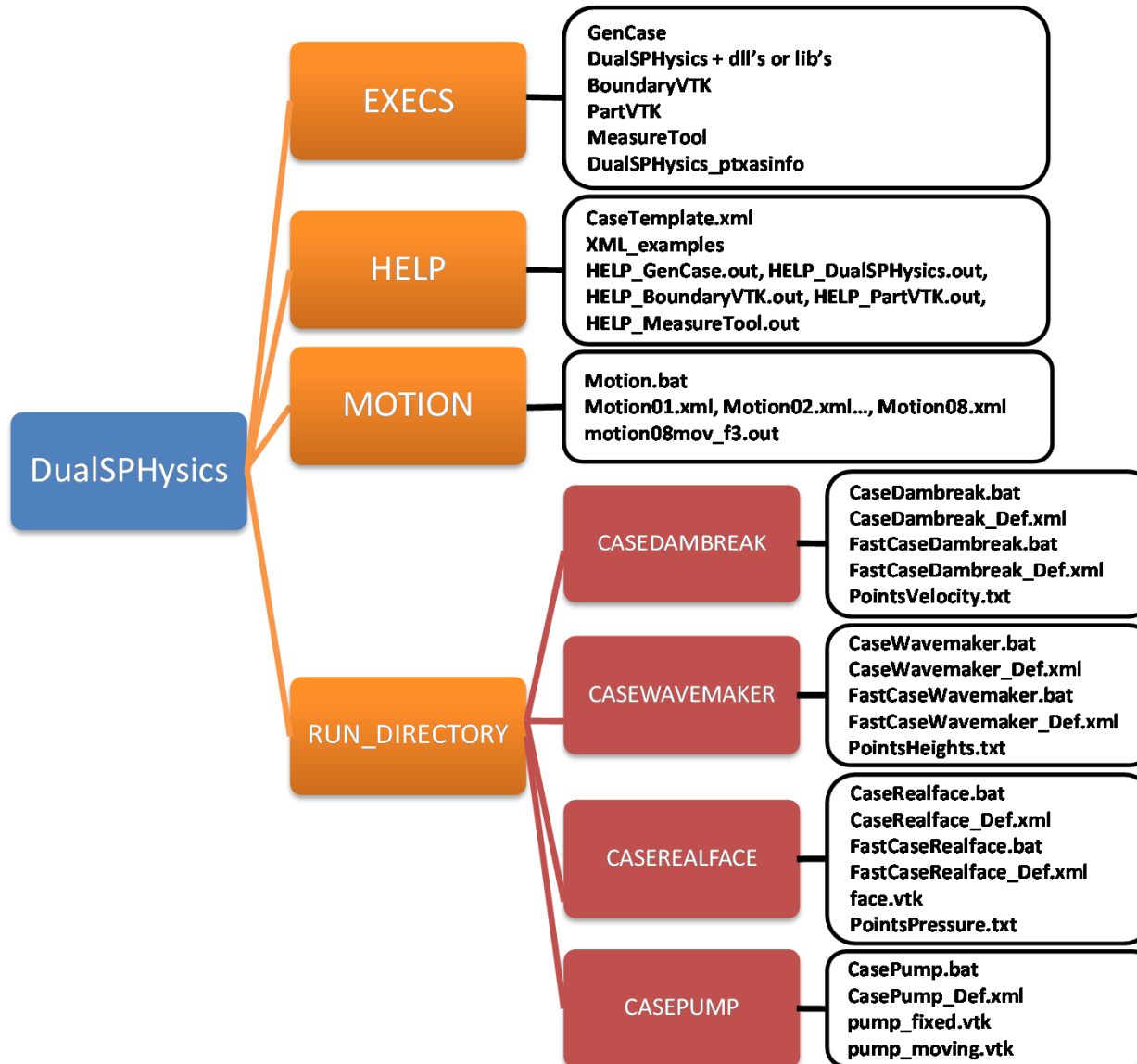
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**Available now v1.2 with Multi-core implementation.**

# DualSPHysics code

[www.dual.sphysics.org](http://www.dual.sphysics.org)



**GenCase**  
Pre-processing

**DualSPHysics**  
SPH solver

**BoundaryVTK**  
**PartVTK**  
**Measutool**  
Post-processing

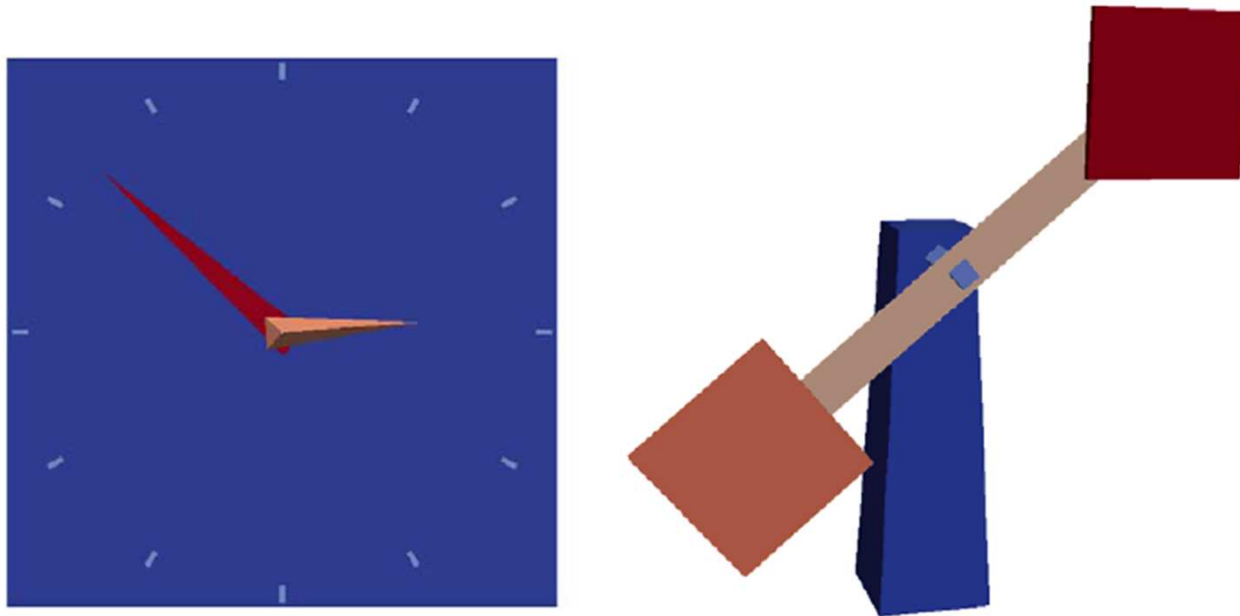
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### HELP:

- Contains *CaseTemplate.xml*, a XML example with all the different labels and formats that can be used in the input XML file.
- HELP\_NameCode.out* includes the HELP about the execution parameters of the different codes.

### MOTION:

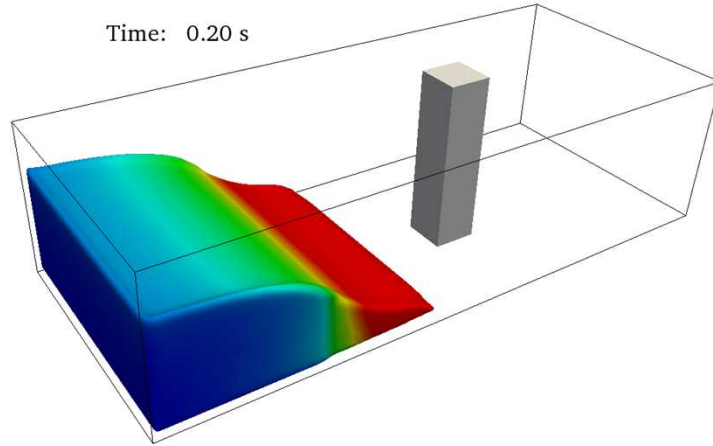
- Contains the bat file *Motion.bat* to perform the examples with the different type of movements that can be described with DualSPHysics. Eight examples can be carried out (*Motion01.xml...*, *Motion08.xml*).
- The text file *motion08mov\_f3.out* describes the predefined motion used in the eighth example.



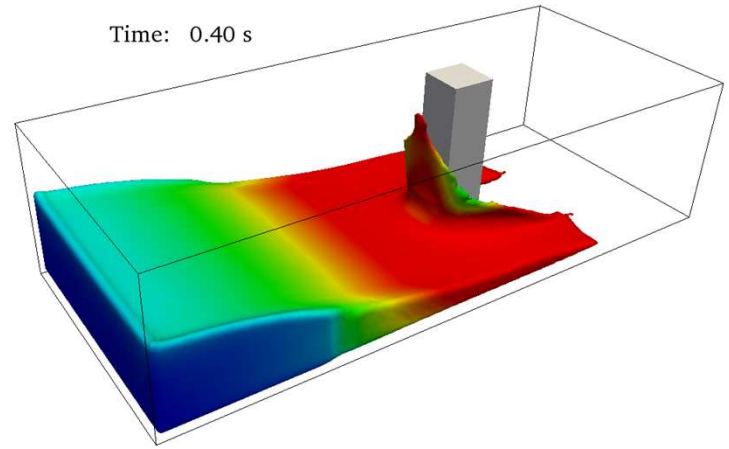
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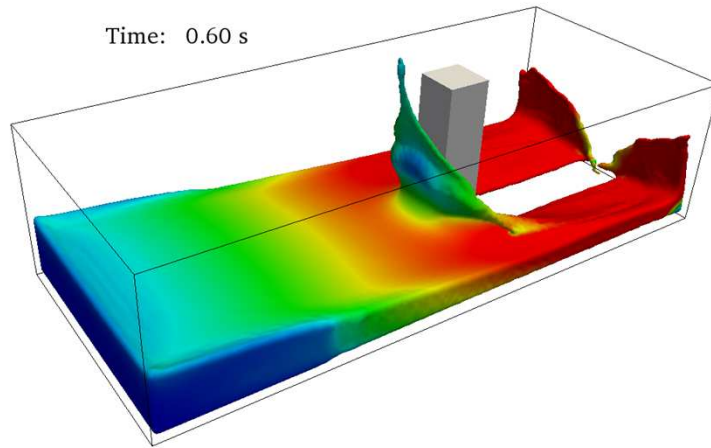
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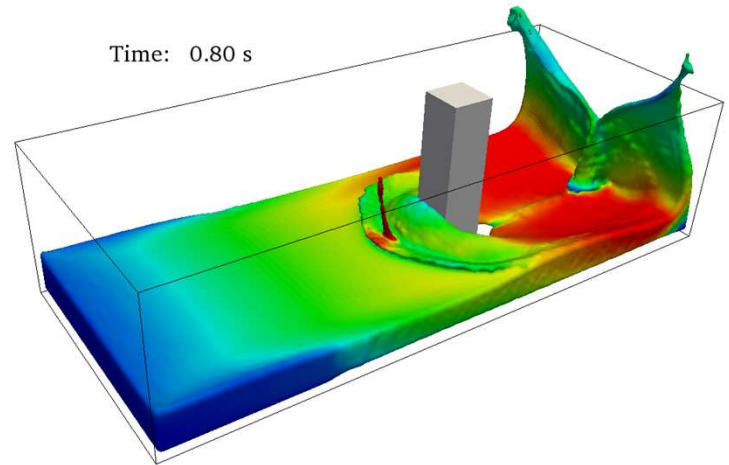
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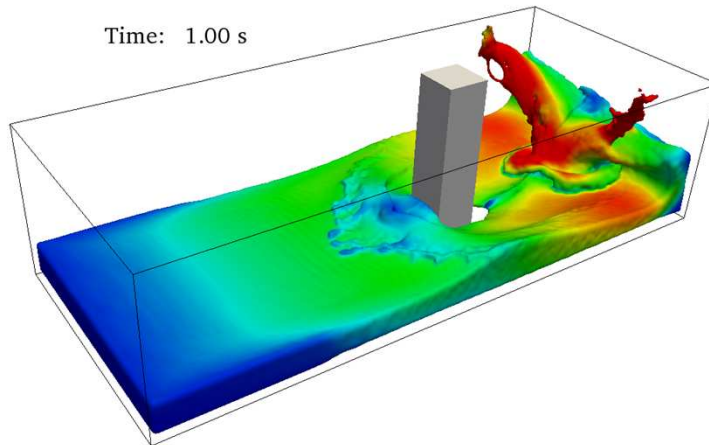
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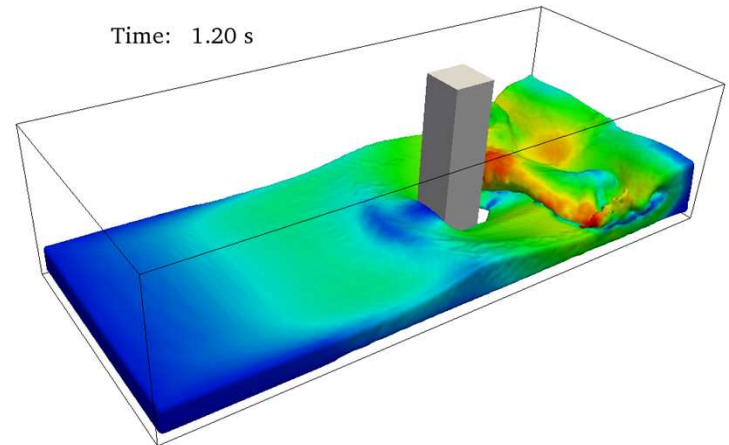
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Time: 1.00 s



Time: 1.20 s

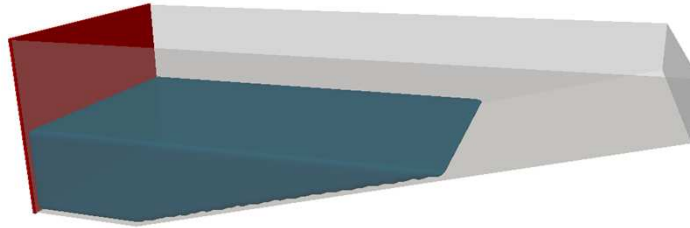




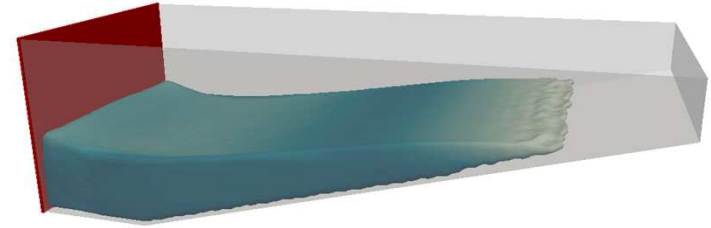
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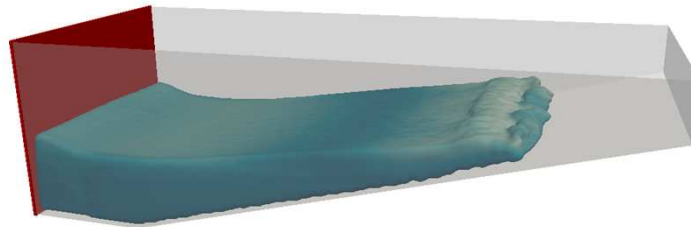
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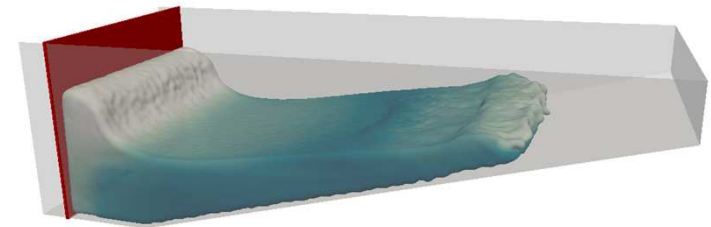
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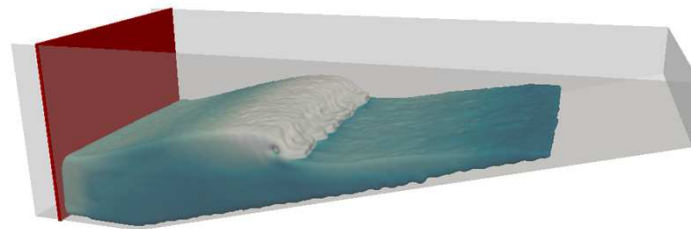
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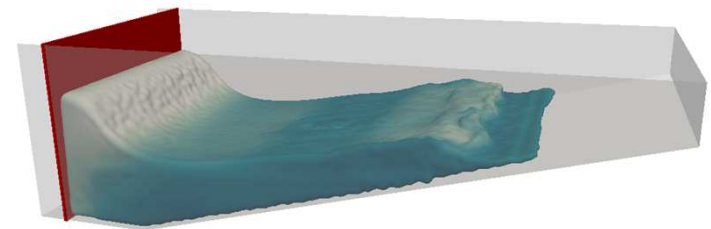
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Time: 6.00 s



Time: 8.00 s



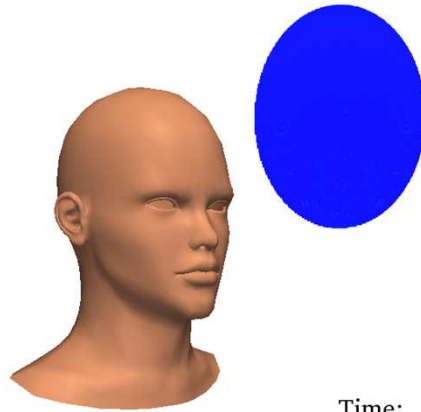
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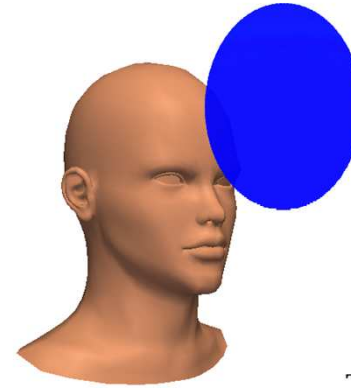
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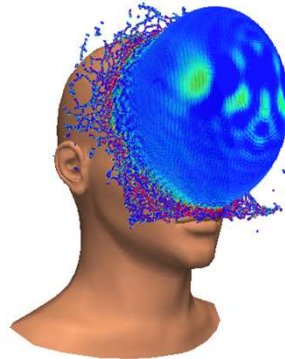
#### 3. RealFace



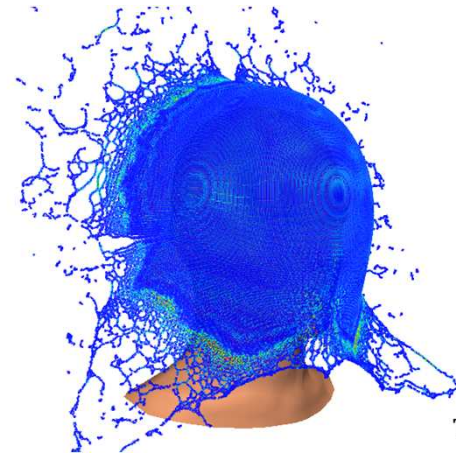
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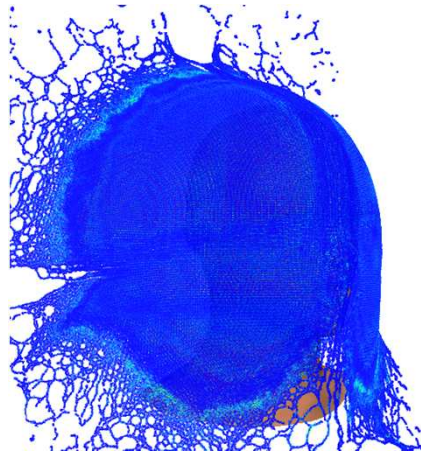
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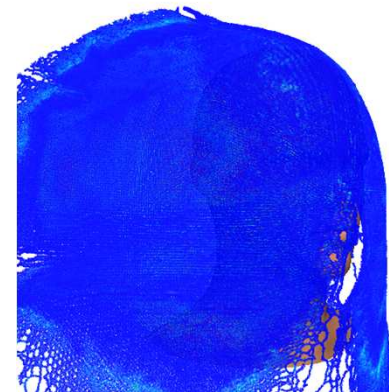
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Time: 1.35 s



Time: 1.80 s



Time: 2.25 s

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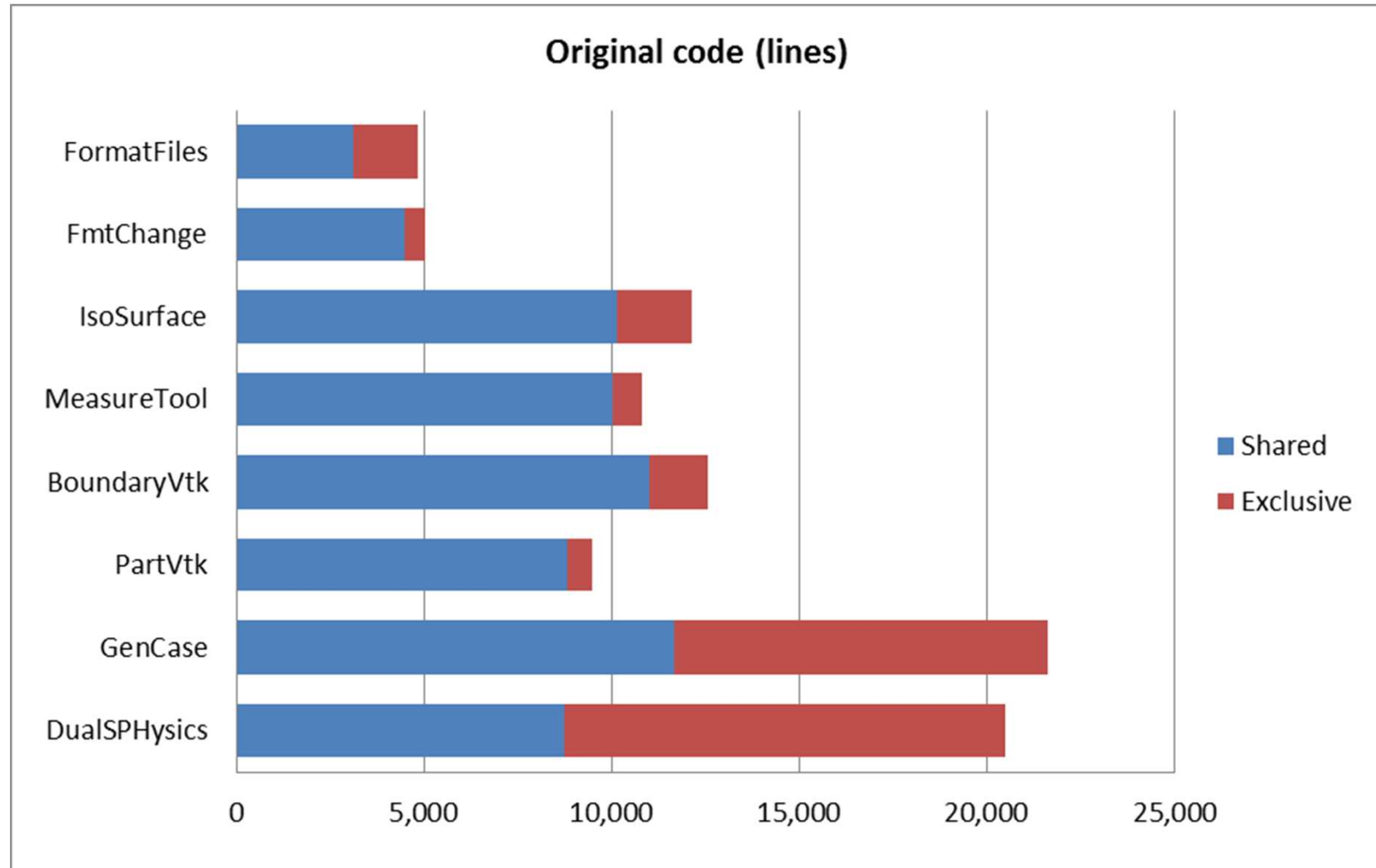
### EXECS:

- Contains all the executables codes.

- ☐ GenCase - pre-processing tool
- ☐ DualSPHysics - SPH solver
- ☐ BoundaryVTK - post-processing tool
- ☐ PartVTK - post-processing tool
- ☐ MeasureTool - post-processing tool

- The text file *ptxas\_info.out* is used to optimise the block size for the different CUDA kernels on GPU executions, to maximise the occupancy.

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## SOFTWARE:

### Codes

- SPHysics from [www.sphysics.org](http://www.sphysics.org)
- DualSPHysics from [www.dual.sphysics.org](http://www.dual.sphysics.org)

### Pre-processing

- FreeCad
- Qgis
- EveryDWG

### Post-processing

- Paraview from [www.paraview.org](http://www.paraview.org)
- Blender from [www.blender.org](http://www.blender.org)

### Compilers

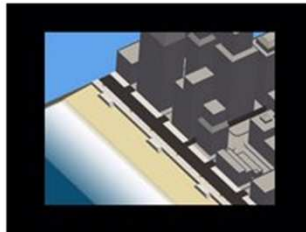
- CUDA from [www.nvidia.com](http://www.nvidia.com)
- GCC

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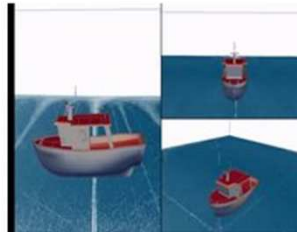
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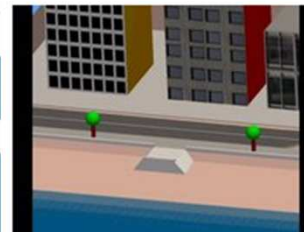
Chess game with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



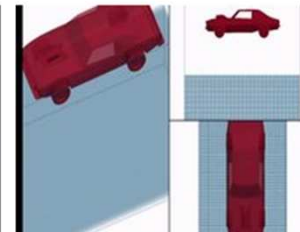
Promenade-wave interaction with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



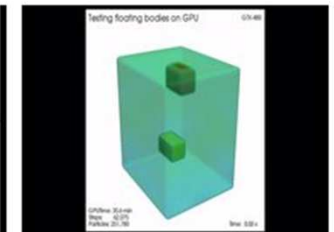
Floating ship with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



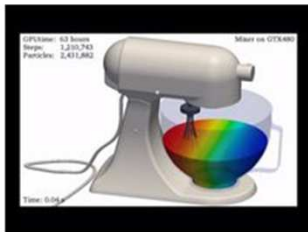
Wave-seawalk interaction with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



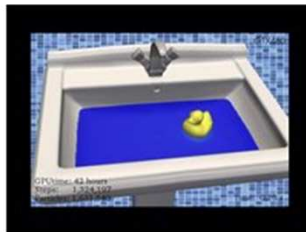
Real car falling down in a pool with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



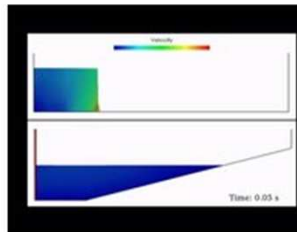
Testing floating bodies with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



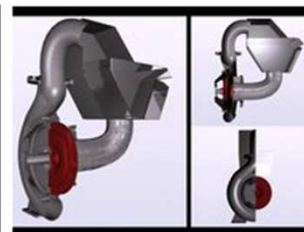
Mixer machine mechanism using DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



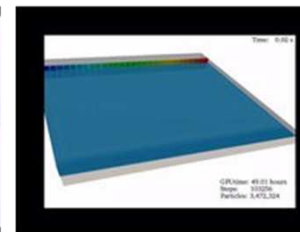
Sink with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



2D simulations with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



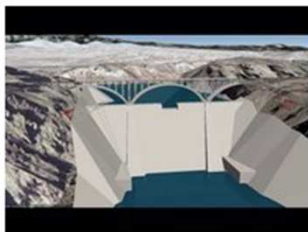
Pump mechanism with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU) BETTER VISUALISATION



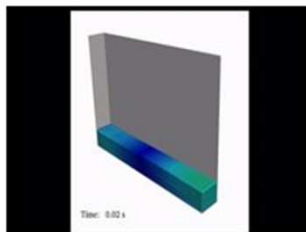
Wavetank with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



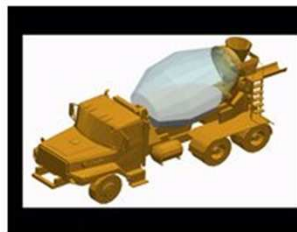
New visualisation tools with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



Dam release using a KMZ file from GOOGLE EARTH with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



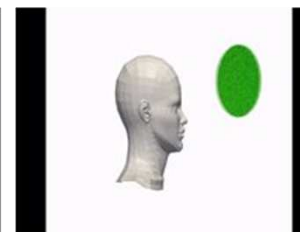
Sloshing movement of a wave tank with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



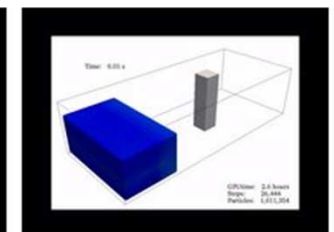
Sloshing movement of a concrete mixer with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



Wave-seawalk interaction with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU) LATERAL VIEW



Fluid impact on a real face with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)



Wave-structure interaction with DualSPHysics (SPH on GPU)

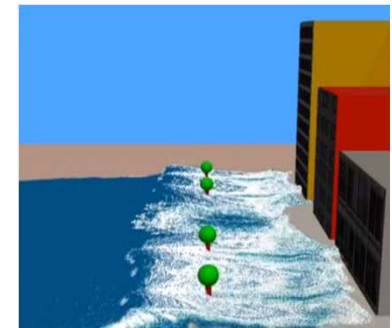
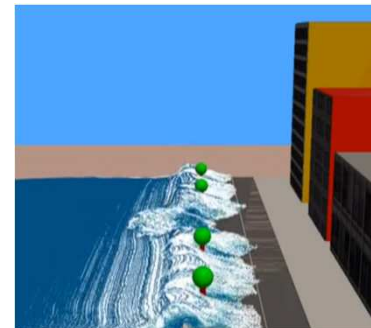
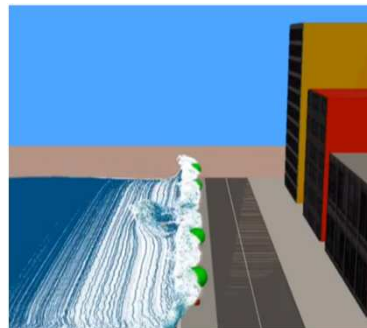


# Conclusions

**We have been able to simulate 45 million particles  
on the nVidia TESLA S2050 with 448 cores and 3GB memory.  
(9 million per GPU in 4 GPUs)**

**This would be impossible to fit on a single GPU and  
it was possible without the need of large, expensive cluster of CPUs.**

**Our new SPH models are capable to deal with  
real-life engineering CFD problems.**



# Future developments

## Multi-core

- Combination of OpenMP with MPI

## GPU

- Include more SPH formulations expensive in time
- Double precision
- New strategies to optimize particle interaction
- New capabilities of CUDA 4.0

## Multi-GPU

- Dynamic load balancing
- 2D domain decomposition
- Use of Infiniband to decrease CPU-CPU communication
- Test pinned memory to decrease GPU-CPU communication
- CUDA 4.0 to fully investigate inter-GPU communications
  - One thread per GPU limitation removed
  - GPUDirect v2.0
  - Unified virtual addressing UVA