Scalable Replay with Partial-Order Dependencies for Message-Logging Fault Tolerance

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 - Other system-level approaches
 - Message-logging!

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 - Failed processes do not recover from failures
 - They do not behave maliciously (non-Byzantine failures)

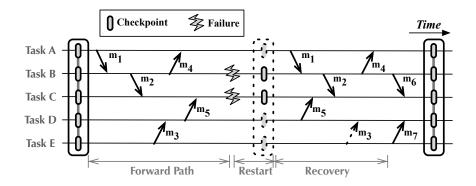
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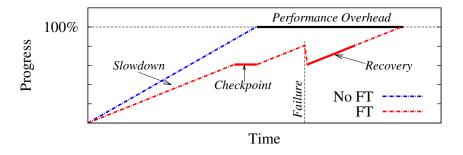
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- Scalable implementation in Charm++

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 - * Messages must be replayed in a total order

Forward Execution Microbenchmark (SB-ML)

| Component | Overhead (%) |
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| Determinants | 84.75% |
| Bookkeeping | 11.65% |
| Message-envelope size increase | 3.10% |
| Message storage | 0.50% |

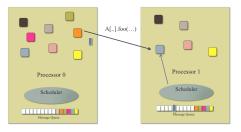
- Using the LeanMD (molecular dynamics) benchmark
- Measured on 256 cores of Ranger
- Largest source of overhead is determinants
 - Creating, storing, sending, etc.

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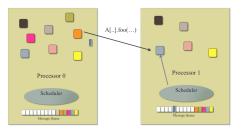


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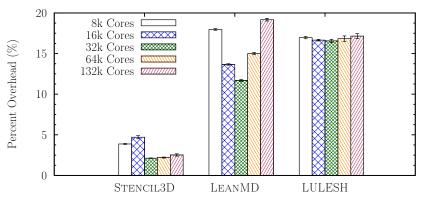


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→ Configuration & Experimental Setup

| Benchmark | Configuration |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| STENCIL3D | matrix: 4096^3 , chunk: 64^3 |
| LEANMD (mini-app for NAMD) | 600K atoms, 2-away XY, 75 atoms/cell |
| LULESH (shock hydrodynamics) | matrix: $1024x512^2$, chunk: $16x8^2$ |

- All experiments on IBM Blue Gene/P (BG/P), 'Intrepid'
- 40960-node system
 - Each node consists of one quad-core 850MHz PowerPC 450
 - 2GB DDR2 memory
- Compiler: IBM XL C/C++ Advanced Edition for Blue Gene/P, V9.0
- Runtime: Charm++ 6.5.1



The finer-grained benchmarks, LeanMD and LULESH, suffer from significant overhead

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Lemma

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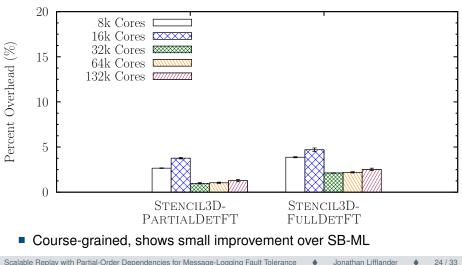
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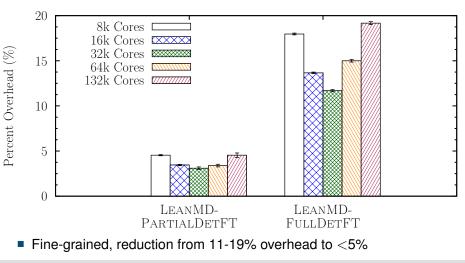
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 - SRN: sender region number, incremented for every send outside a commutative region and incremented once when a commutative region starts
 - SPE: sender processor endpoint
 - CPI: commutative path identifier, sequence of bits that represents the path to the root of the commutative region

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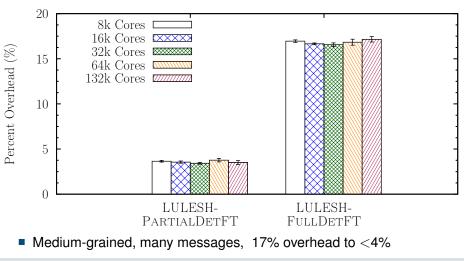


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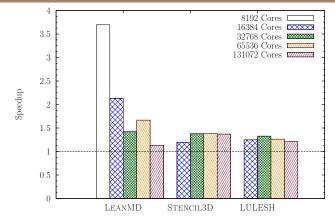
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- We calculate the optimal checkpoint period duration using Daly's formula
 - ★ Assuming 64K–1M socket count
 - Assuming MTBF of 10 years

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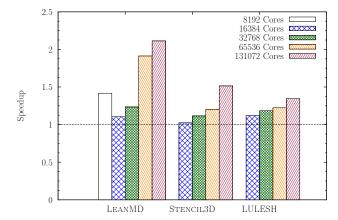


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Increased speedup with scale, due to expense of coordinating determinants and ordering

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