

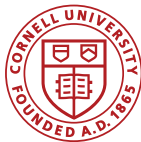
# A SpECTRE With a New 'face

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Charm++ Workshop

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- ② The New 'face

## Physics:

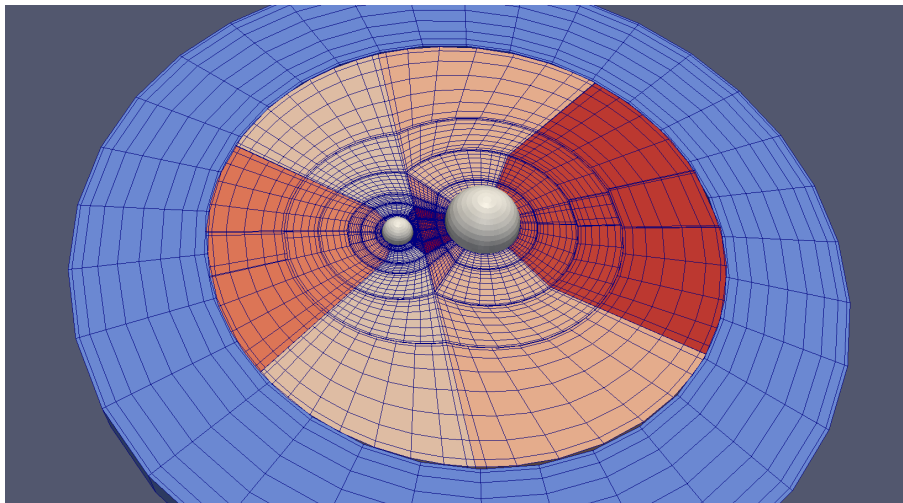
- Multi-scale, multi-physics relativistic astrophysics
- Binary black holes, binary neutron stars
- Core-collapse supernovae with micro-physics
- Multi-disciplinary

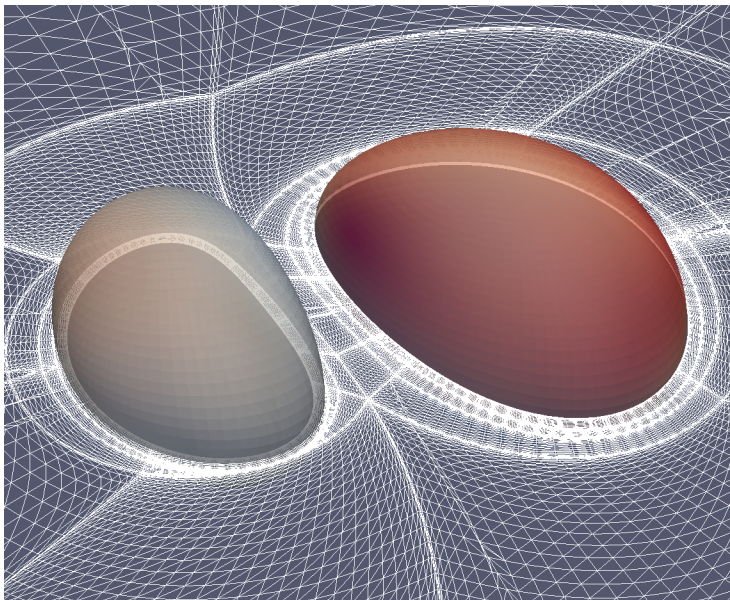
## HPC:

- Open-source, [github.com/sxs-collaboration/spectre](https://github.com/sxs-collaboration/spectre)
- Efficient
- Exascale

# Domain Decomposition and Local Time Stepping

B. Szilagyi, arXiv: 1405.3693





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*Metaprogramming!*



We think:

- Reduce user code
- Really easy to use
- Similar to current model: familiarity  $\implies$  faster adoption
- Error-free code generation
- Eliminate runtime errors

Any others??

- ① **Invoking entry methods**
- ② Creating chares
- ③ Reductions

Entry methods `MyEntryMethod0`, `MyEntryMethod1`, and  
C Charm++ proxy `my_proxy`.

No arguments:

```
charmxx::invoke<MyEntryMethod0>(my_proxy);
```

Passing arguments:

```
charmxx::invoke<MyEntryMethod1>(my_proxy, arg0,  
                                arg1, std::move(arg2));
```

```
struct MyEntryMethod1 {  
    static void apply(const Arg0& arg0,  
                     const Arg1& arg1,  
                     Arg2&& arg2) noexcept {  
        /* do work */  
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- How to handle attributes?
- Where is chare member data?

Possible ways of controlling attributes:

- Inside entry method class:

```
struct EntryMethod0 {  
    using attributes = charmxx::AttrList<  
        charmxx::attrs::Inline>;  
    /* apply function*/  
};
```

- At call site:

```
charmxx::invoke<MyEntryMethod1 ,  
    charmxx::AttrList<charmxx::attrs::Inline>>(  
    my_proxy, arg0, arg1, std::move(arg2));
```

- Chares hold a TaggedTuple i.e. compile-time hash table
- Tags to chare as template parameter, maybe:

```
charmxx::Chare<charmxx::TagList<ParticleCoordinate,  
                                ParticleVelocity>>  
    my_chare{start_coord, start_velocity};
```

- TaggedTuple passed to entry methods



## Passing Member Data To Entry Methods

```
struct MyEntryMethod2 {
    template <class... Tags>
    static void apply(charmxx::TaggedTuple<Tags...>&
                     member_data,
                     const double& delta_time) noexcept {

        const auto& vel =
            charmxx::get<ParticleVelocity>(member_data);
        auto& coord =
            charmxx::get<ParticleCoordinate>(member_data);

        coord += vel * delta_time;
    }
};
```

In MyEntryMethod2.hpp:

```
#include "UpdateCoordinate.hpp"

struct MyEntryMethod2 {
    template <class... Tags>
    static void apply(charmxx::TaggedTuple<Tags...>&
                     member_data,
                     const double& delta_time) noexcept {
        update_coordinate(
            charmxx::get<ParticleCoordinate>(member_data),
            charmxx::get<ParticleVelocity>(member_data),
            delta_time);
    }
};
```

In UpdateCoordinate.hpp:

```
void update_coordinate(double& coord, const double& vel,  
                      const double& delta_time);  
void update_coordinate(Vector& coord, const Vector& vel,  
                      const double& delta_time);
```

In UpdateCoordinate.cpp:

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                      const double& delta_time) {  
    coord += vel * delta_time;  
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Charm++ will supply class templates, need “names”

```
struct MyChareName {  
    // Singleton, Array, Group, or Nodegroup  
    using chare_type = charmxx::Array;  
  
    // For arrays must specify index:  
    using array_index = MyAwesomeArrayIndex;  
  
    // List of the tags that are member data  
    using tags =  
        charmxx::TagList<ParticleCoordinate,  
                        ParticleVelocity>;  
  
    // To put proxy into a TaggedTuple:  
    using type = charmxx::compute_type<chare_type, tags>;  
};
```

Create using:

```
auto my_proxy =  
    charmxx::MyChareName>(start_coord,  
                           start_velocity);  
auto my_proxy2 = charmxx::create<MyChareName2>(  
    my_proxy, start_coord, start_velocity);
```

- create replaces ckNew
- Chare name is also tag!

Can handle custom array indices more easily, e.g.

```
template <size_t VolumeDim>
class ElementIndex {
public:
    ElementIndex(const ElementId<VolumeDim>& id) noexcept;

private:
    std::array<SegmentIndex, VolumeDim> segments_;
};
```

ElementId indexes block,  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  in domain

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- Reductions become quite straight forward:

```
charmxx::contribute_to_reduction <
    ProcessReducedProductOfDoublesEntryMethod >(
    my_send_double , array_proxy[my_index],
    target_proxy , charmxx::Reduction::product_double);
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- Reducing custom data also simpler
- Supply generic data structure for custom reductions

```
charmxx::ReductionData<int,  
    std::unordered_map<std::string,  
        int>,  
    std::vector<double>>;
```

Function to reduce custom data structure:

```
charmxx::ReductionMsg* reduce_reduction_data(  
    const int number_of_messages,  
    charmxx::ReductionMsg** const msgs) noexcept {  
    /* custom reduction function*/  
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Inside an entry method:

```
charmxx::ReductionData<int,
    std::unordered_map<std::string,
                      int>,
    std::vector<int>> my_send_data{
    10, my_send_map, std::vector<int>{array_index, 10, -8}};

charmxx::contribute_to_reduction<
    &reduce_reduction_data,
    ProcessCustomReductionEntryMethod>(
    my_send_data, array_proxy[my_index], target_proxy);
```

- Charm++ interface files replaced with basic metaprogramming
- Users do not need to metaprogram
- Large number of errors eliminated
- Most remaining errors compile time
- Integrate into Charm++ v7?