

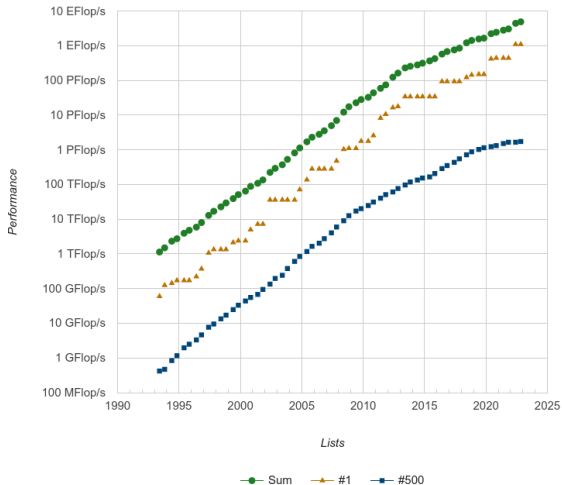
Evaluation of GPU-Compression Algorithms for CUDA-Aware MPI

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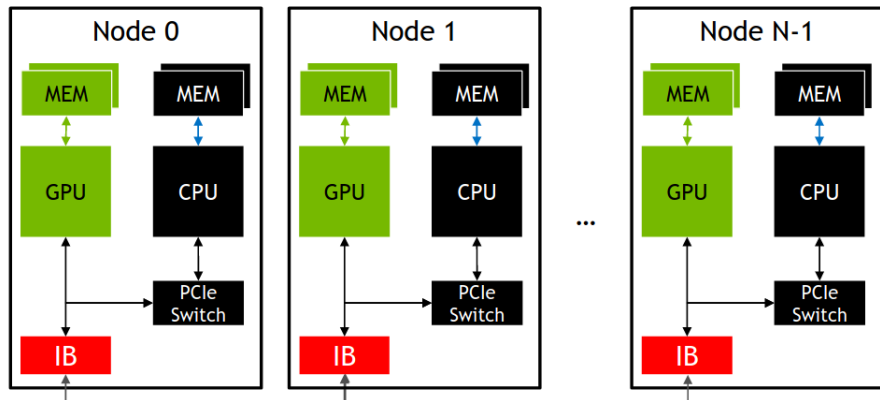


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Challenge

With a growing number of compute nodes the required amount of communication between them also grows

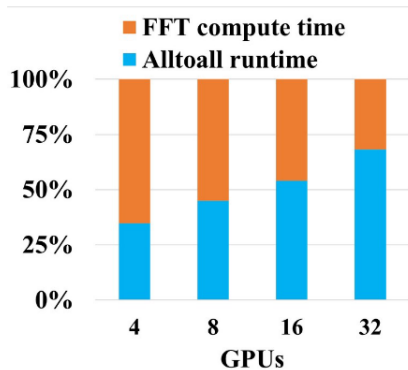


Figure: [2]

potential for optimization

utilize gpu to compress messages before exchanging them between nodes

- simulations often utilize floating point numbers (FP64, FP32)
- compressor must be adapted for gpu execution and able to compress FP data well
- selected compression algorithms: ndzip, nvcomp

- realistic test datasets needed
- relevant data points:
 - compression ratio
 - compression throughput
 - decompression throughput

compression ratio FP64

Algorithm	msg lu	msg sp	msg sppm	msg sweep3d	num brain	num comet	num control	num plasma	obs_spitzer
ndzip	0.90	0.90	0.39	0.83	0.86	0.89	0.90	0.91	1.01
ans	0.95	0.94	0.56	0.92	0.94	0.88	0.96	0.95	0.89
bitcomp	1.00	1.00	0.52	0.98	1.00	0.93	0.99	1.00	1.00
cascaded	1.00	1.00	0.88	0.98	1.00	0.94	1.00	1.00	1.00
lz4	1.00	1.00	0.23	0.99	1.00	0.93	0.99	0.73	0.93

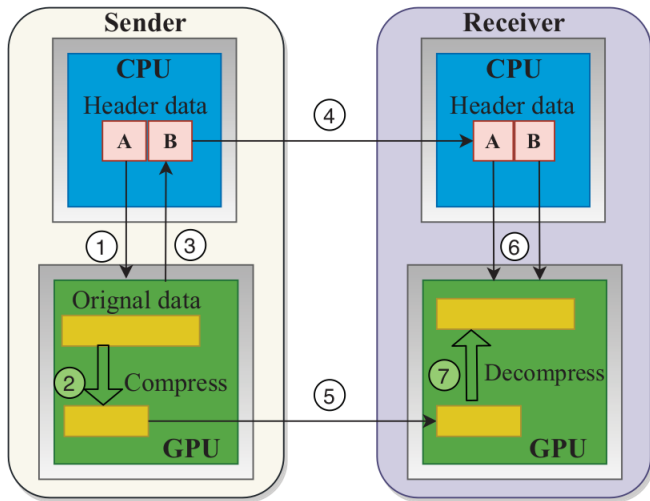
compression throughput FP64 (GB/s)

Algorithm	msg lu	msg sp	msg sppm	msg sweep3d	num brain	num comet	num control	num plasma	obs_spitzer
ndzip	111.30	113.10	152.70	113.36	111.62	110.90	110.57	95.47	109.10
ans	71.75	89.88	80.20	76.83	93.33	77.82	72.21	36.84	78.35
bitcomp	264.38	274.26	292.01	269.85	267.40	257.57	267.63	216.88	271.05
cascaded	35.56	37.50	47.12	42.53	39.05	40.63	39.06	25.78	37.80
lz4	1.64	1.63	10.67	1.70	1.63	1.84	1.58	2.69	1.78

decompression throughput FP64 (GB/s)

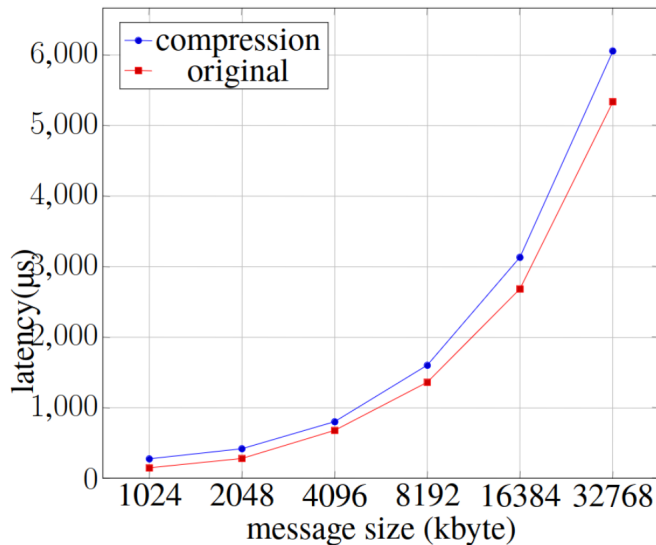
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ndzip	148,11	149,39	176,68	148,16	146,81	149,32	147,32	133,57	145,85
ans	143,61	141,79	137,25	135,37	143,68	118,05	149,63	49,02	161,81
bitcomp	111,31	142,93	92,39	82,18	89,77	70,12	97,41	27,83	113,04
cascaded	288,55	303,65	200,77	225,70	300,46	201,21	206,04	274,13	295,47
lz4	126,21	72,19	46,13	43,21	121,82	52,38	62,43	15,95	82,32

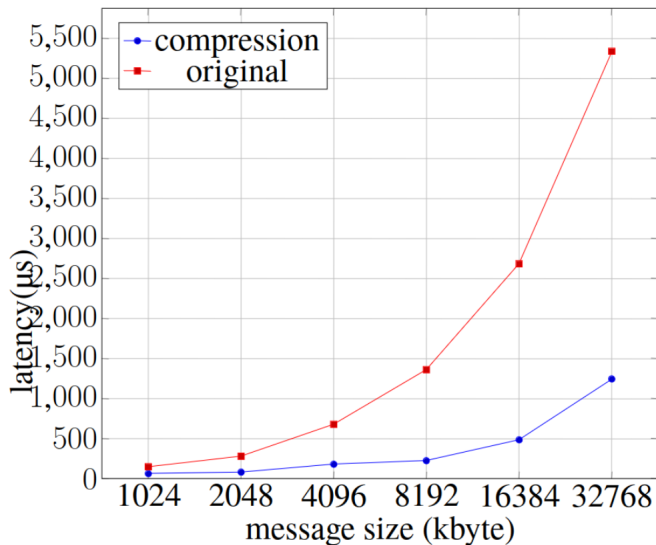
message exchange process



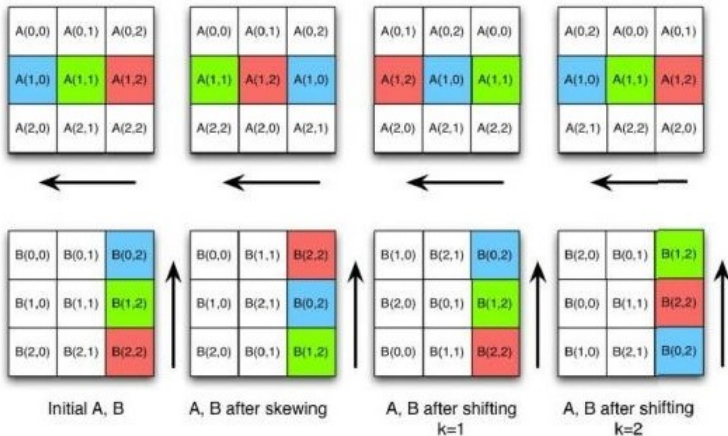
Source: [3][p.447]

- modification of the `osu_latency.c` and `osu_bcast.c` source code
 - messages exchanged between nodes are filled with selected test data sets
 - data gets compressed by gpu of sending node
 - data gets decompressed on gpu of receiving node





Cannon's algorithm



$$C(1,2) = A(1,0) * B(0,2) + A(1,1) * B(1,2) + A(1,2) * B(2,2)$$

Source Code modifications

- matrices filled with previously selected test datasets
- transferred matrices to gpu memory at startup
- integrated compression and decompression into matrix exchange between nodes

m_size	512	1024	2048	4096	8192
compute	0.21	1.21	9.41	69.85	534.59
communication	2.74	6.87	24.68	94.21	371.46
total runtime	2.96	8.08	34.09	164.06	906.06

m_size	512	1024	2048	4096	8192
compute	0.21	1.16	8.76	68.03	537.87
compression	0.23	0.36	0.80	2.59	9.71
communication	5.79	9.76	27.32	95.5	366.91
total runtime	6.24	11.3	36.9	166.59	914.51

m_size	512	1024	2048	4096	8192
compute	0.21	1.21	9.40	70.03	534.60
communication	2.73	7.14	25.06	93.67	370.06
total runtime	2.94	8.36	34.47	163.70	904.67

m_size	512	1024	2048	4096	8192
compute	0.2	1.13	8.72	67.86	537.29
compression	0.21	0.28	0.62	1.9	6.93
communication	4	5.55	14.62	42.31	155.06
total runtime	4.43	6.98	23.98	112.1	699.31

Conclusion and Future

- Benefits of message compression largely dependent on compression ratio of transferred data
- for small messages compression could become prohibitive
- more optimizations possible
- future work:
 - Integration in MPI Implementation
 - adaptive use of compression
 - support for more MPI operations
 - support multiple algorithms



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