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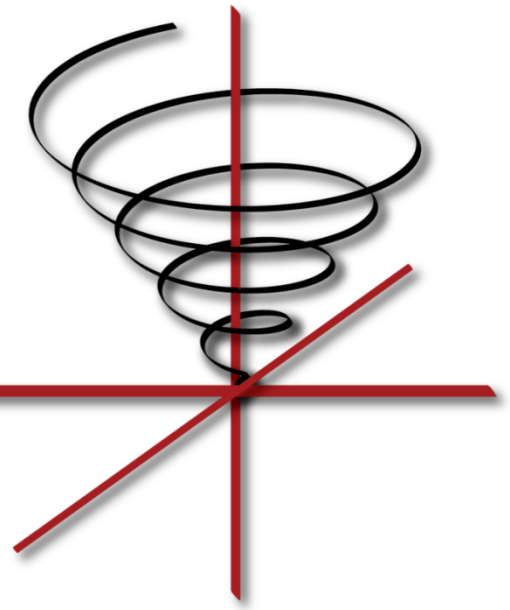
FFT Library Generation and Autotuning



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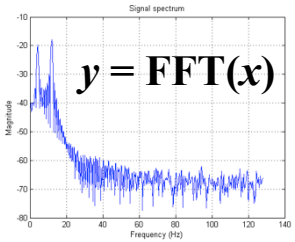
Idea: Go from Mathematics to Software

Given:

- **Mathematical problem specification**
  does not change
- **Computer platform**
  changes often

Wanted:

- **Very good implementation of specification on platform**
- **Proof of correctness**



on

automatic

```
void fft64(double  *Y, double  *X) {
    ...
    s5674 = _mm256_permute2f128_pd(s5672, s5673, (0) | ((2) << 4));
    s5675 = _mm256_permute2f128_pd(s5672, s5673, (1) | ((3) << 4));
    s5676 = _mm256_unpacklo_pd(s5674, s5675);
    s5677 = _mm256_unpackhi_pd(s5674, s5675);
    s5678 = *((a3738 + 16));
    s5679 = *((a3738 + 17));
    s5680 = _mm256_permute2f128_pd(s5678, s5679, (0) | ((2) << 4));
    s5681 = _mm256_permute2f128_pd(s5678, s5679, (1) | ((3) << 4));
    s5682 = _mm256_unpacklo_pd(s5680, s5681);
    s5683 = _mm256_unpackhi_pd(s5680, s5681);
    t5735 = _mm256_add_pd(s5676, s5682);
    t5736 = _mm256_add_pd(s5677, s5683);
    t5737 = _mm256_add_pd(s5670, t5735);
    t5738 = _mm256_add_pd(s5671, t5736);
    t5739 = _mm256_sub_pd(s5670, _mm256_mul_pd(_mm_vbroadcast_sd(&(C22)), t5735));
    t5740 = _mm256_sub_pd(s5671, _mm256_mul_pd(_mm_vbroadcast_sd(&(C22)), t5736));
    t5741 = _mm256_mul_pd(_mm_vbroadcast_sd(&(C23)), _mm256_sub_pd(s5677, s5683));
    t5742 = _mm256_mul_pd(_mm_vbroadcast_sd(&(C23)), _mm256_sub_pd(s5676, s5682));
    ...
}
```

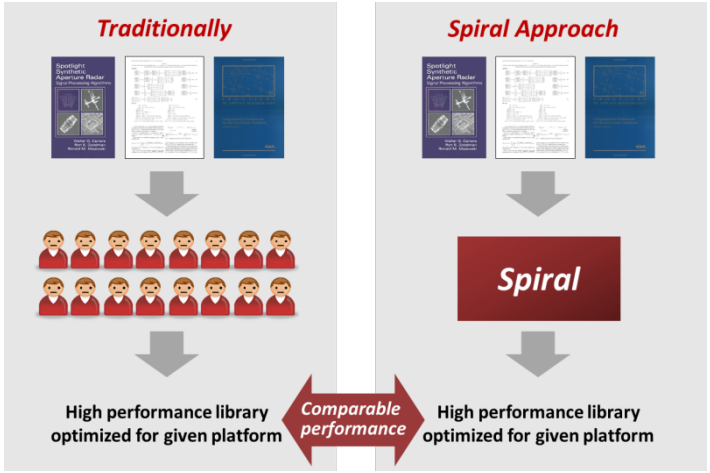
performance

PROOF

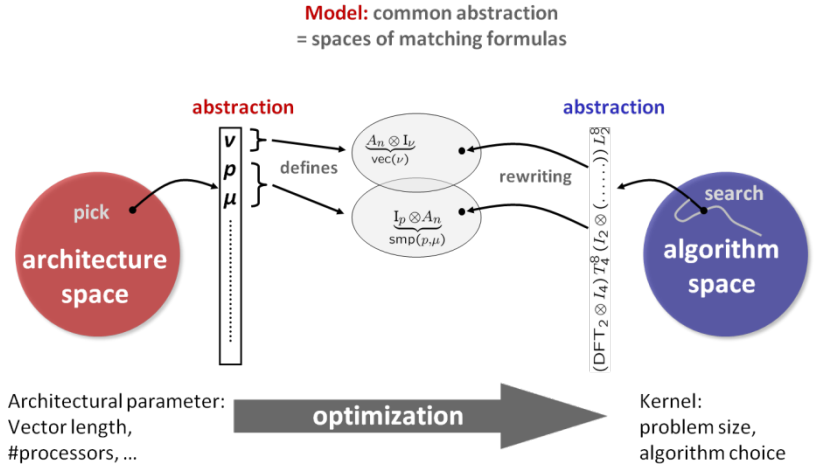
QED.

Spiral Technology in a Nutshell

Library Generator



Mathematical Foundation



Extensible Algorithm Library

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\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{DFT}_n &\rightarrow (\mathbf{DFT}_k \otimes \mathrm{I}_m)\, \mathrm{T}^n_m (\mathrm{I}_k \otimes \mathbf{DFT}_m)\, \mathrm{L}^n_k, \quad n = km \\
\mathbf{DFT}_n &\rightarrow P_n (\mathbf{DFT}_k \otimes \mathbf{DFT}_m) Q_n, \quad n = km,\ \gcd(k,m) = 1 \\
\mathbf{DFT}_p &\rightarrow R_p^T (\mathrm{I}_1 \oplus \mathbf{DFT}_{p-1}) D_p (\mathrm{I}_1 \oplus \mathbf{DFT}_{p-1}) R_p, \quad p \text{ prime} \\
\mathbf{DCT\text{-}3}_n &\rightarrow (\mathrm{I}_m \oplus \mathrm{J}_m)\, \mathrm{L}^n_m (\mathbf{DCT\text{-}3}_m(1/4) \oplus \mathbf{DCT\text{-}3}_m(3/4)) \\
&\qquad \cdot (\mathrm{F}_2 \otimes \mathrm{I}_m) \begin{bmatrix} \mathrm{I}_m & 0 \oplus -\mathrm{J}_{m-1} \\ & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\mathrm{I}_1 \oplus 2\,\mathrm{I}_m) \end{bmatrix}, \quad n = 2m \\
\mathbf{DCT\text{-}4}_n &\rightarrow S_n \mathbf{DCT\text{-}2}_n\, \mathrm{diag}_{0 \le k < n}(1/(2\cos((2k+1)\pi/4n))) \\
\mathbf{IMDCT}_{2m} &\rightarrow (\mathrm{J}_m \oplus \mathrm{I}_m \oplus \mathrm{I}_m \oplus \mathrm{J}_m) \left(\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \mathrm{I}_m \right) \oplus \left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \mathrm{I}_m \right) \right) \mathrm{J}_{2m}\, \mathbf{DCT\text{-}4}_{2m} \\
\mathbf{WHT}_{2^k} &\rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{t} (\mathrm{I}_{2^{k_1+\cdots+k_{i-1}}} \otimes \mathbf{WHT}_{2^{k_i}} \otimes \mathrm{I}_{2^{k_{i+1}+\cdots+k_t}}), \quad k = k_1 + \cdots + k_t \\
\mathbf{DFT}_2 &\rightarrow \mathrm{F}_2 \\
\mathbf{DCT\text{-}2}_2 &\rightarrow \mathrm{diag}(1, 1/\sqrt{2})\, \mathrm{F}_2 \\
\mathbf{DCT\text{-}4}_2 &\rightarrow \mathrm{J}_2\, \mathrm{R}_{13\pi/8}
\end{aligned}
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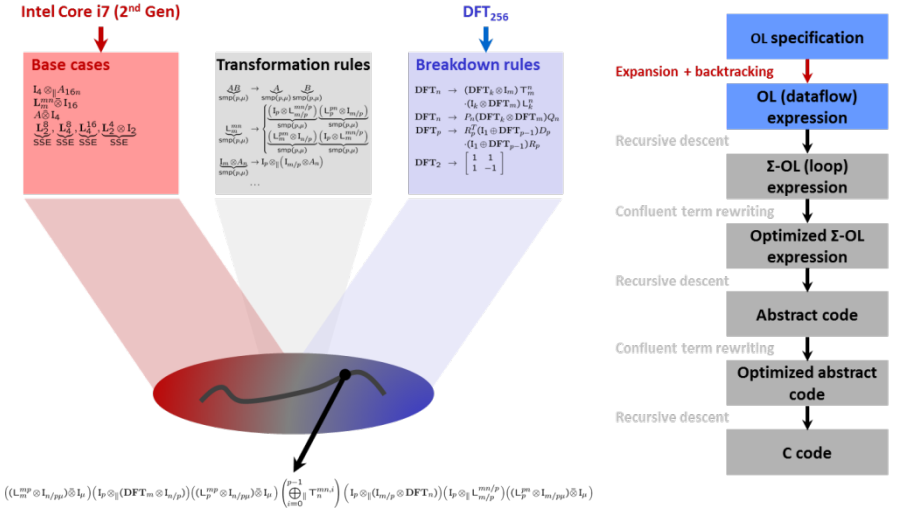
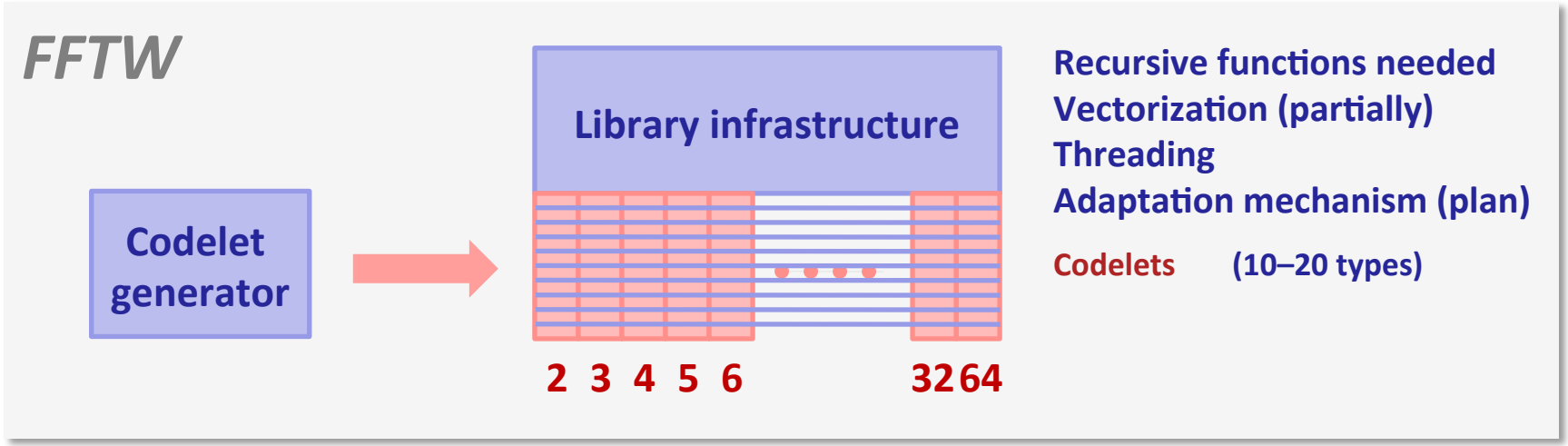
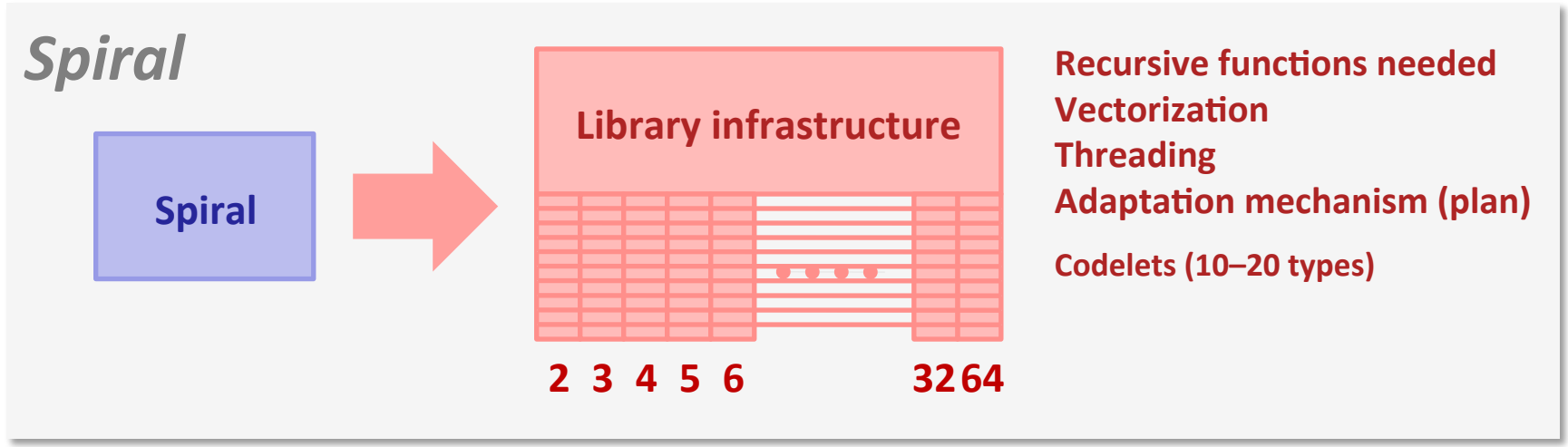
Code Synthesis and Autotuning



SPIRAL: Meta-Tool to FFTW

blue = hand-written, red = generated



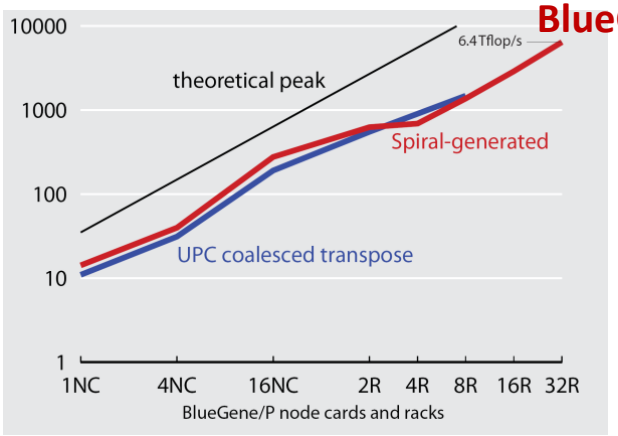


SPIRAL: Success in HPC/Supercomputing

- **NCSA Blue Waters**
  PAID Program, FFTs for Blue Waters
- **RIKEN K computer**
  FFTs for the HPC-ACE ISA
- **LANL RoadRunner**
  FFTs for the Cell processor
- **PSC/XSEDE Bridges**
  Large size FFTs
- **LLNL BlueGene/L and P**
  FFTW for BlueGene/L's Double FPU
- **ANL BlueGene/Q Mira**
  Early Science Program, FFTW for BGQ QPX

Global FFT (1D FFT, HPC Challenge)
performance [Gflop/s]

6.4 Tflop/s on BlueGene/P

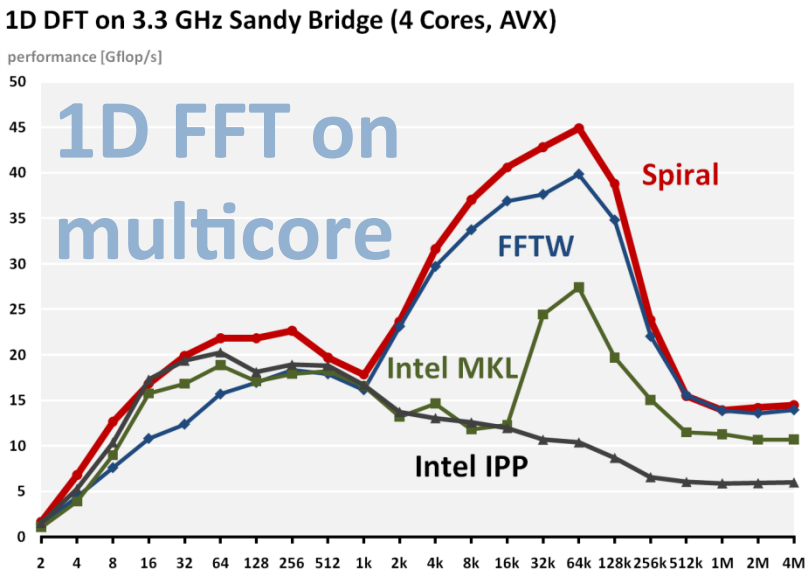


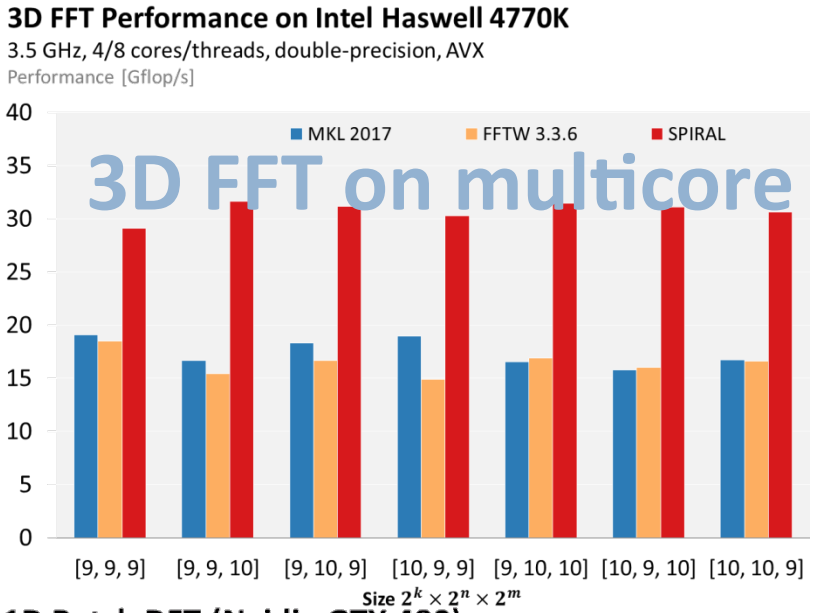
BlueGene/P at Argonne National Laboratory
128k cores (quad-core CPUs) at 850 MHz

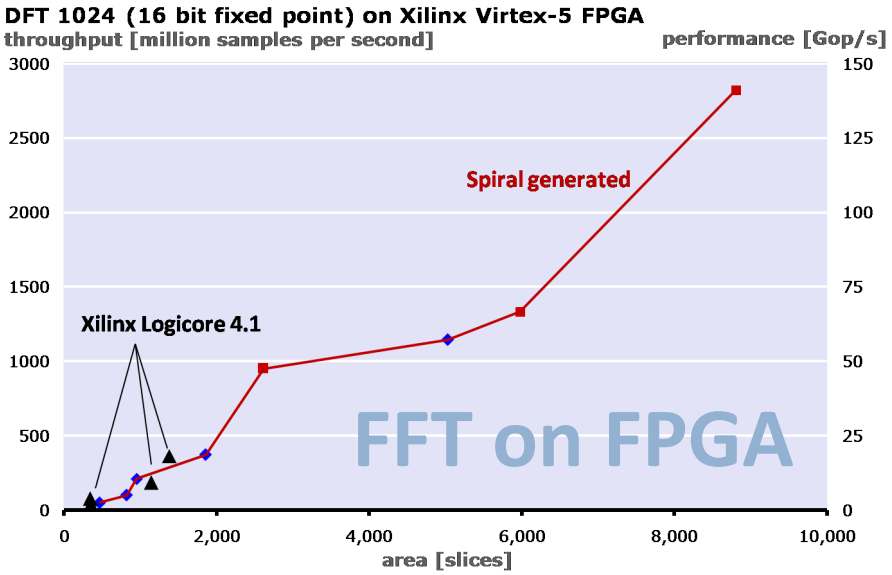
2006 Gordon Bell Prize (Peak Performance Award) with LLNL and IBM

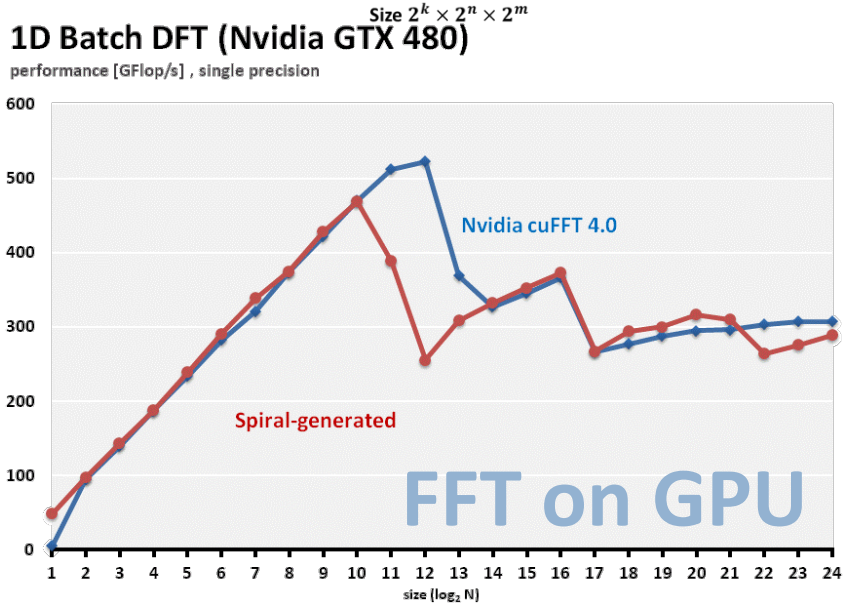
2010 HPC Challenge Class II Award (Most Productive System) with ANL and IBM

SPIRAL: Performance Across Platforms









Thrust 1: Repeat The Success of LAPACK for FFTs

Numerical Linear Algebra

LAPACK
ScaLAPACK
LU factorization
Eigensolves
SVD

BLAS, BLACS
BLAS-1
BLAS-2
BLAS-3

Spectral Algorithms

Convolution
Correlation
Upsampling
Poisson solver
…

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FFTW
DFT, RDFT
1D, 2D, 3D,…
batch

No LAPACK equivalent for spectral methods

- **Medium size 1D FFT (1k—10k data points) is most common library call**
  applications break down 3D problems themselves and then call the 1D FFT library
- **Higher level FFT calls rarely used**
  FFTW *guru* interface is powerful but hard to used, leading to performance loss
- **Low arithmetic intensity and variation of FFT use make library approach hard**
  Algorithm specific decompositions and FFT calls intertwined with non-FFT code

Thrust 2: Updated FFTW Interface for Node FFTs

Front End: application facing

- **Backwards compatible to FFTW 2.X and 3.X**
  old code runs unmodified and gains substantially but not fully
- **Delayed execution/futures**
  asynchronous execution, offloading, triggering of execution
- **Data location and layout control**
  specify location of data (host/device, NUMA, NVRAM,…)
- **Performance metrics**
  user control of resource/performance/energy requirements and adaptation

Backend: developer and hardware facing

- **Extensible to novel and yet-unknown hardware and system architectures**
  future-proof platform extension API: transparently enable accelerators, etc.
- **Plug-in mechanism for special case acceleration packs**
  transparent access to application/architecture specialized FFT kernels

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