

Real-time multi-core PDE-solvers in LabVIEW

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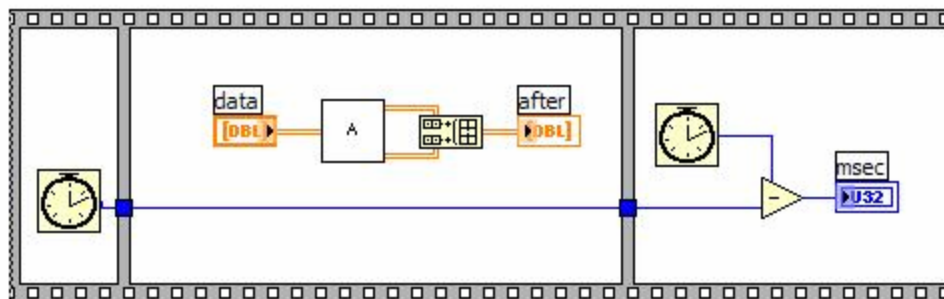
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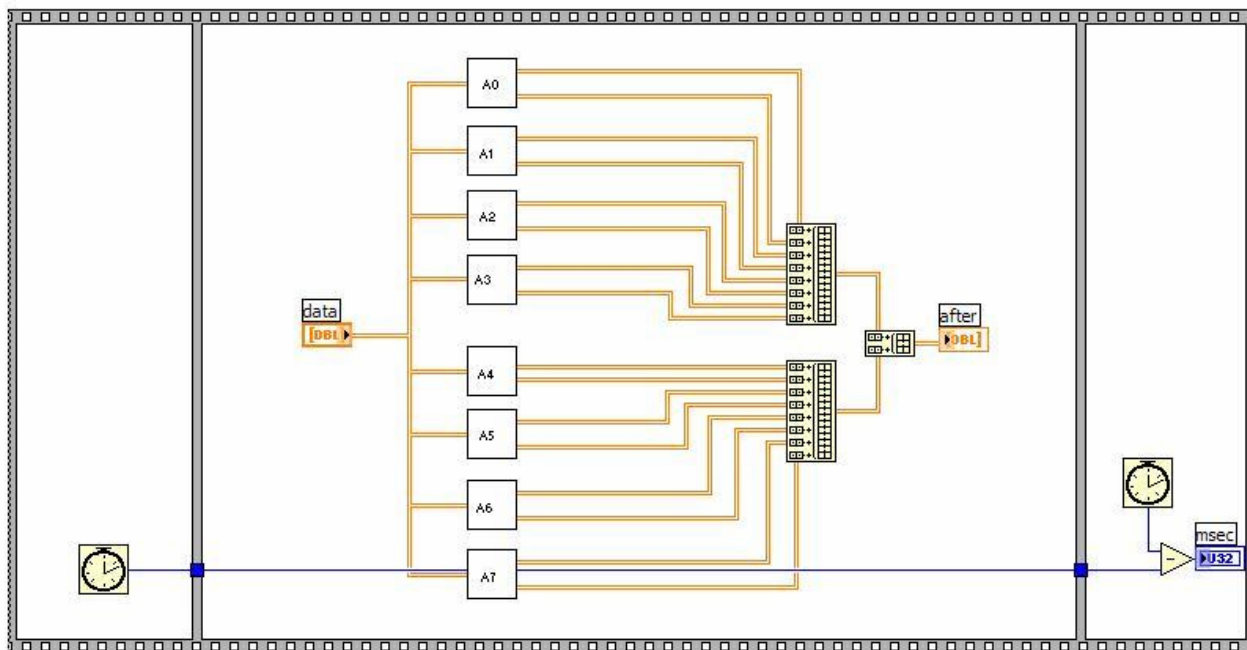
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From 1 core...

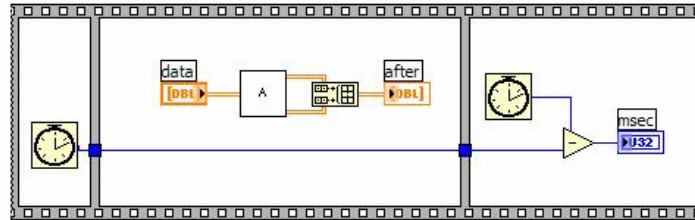


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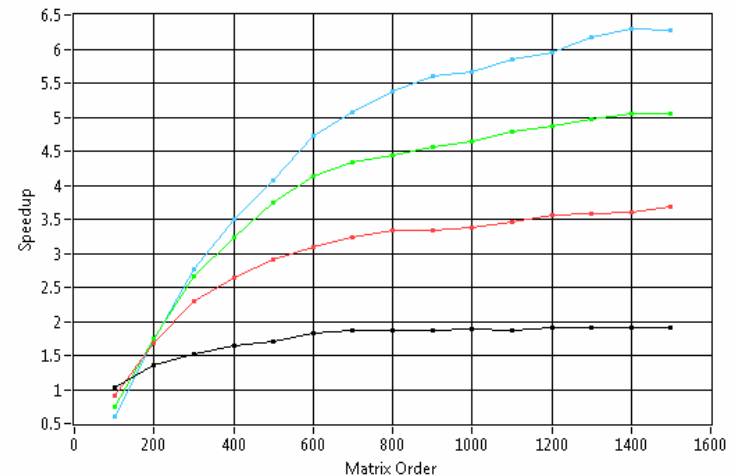
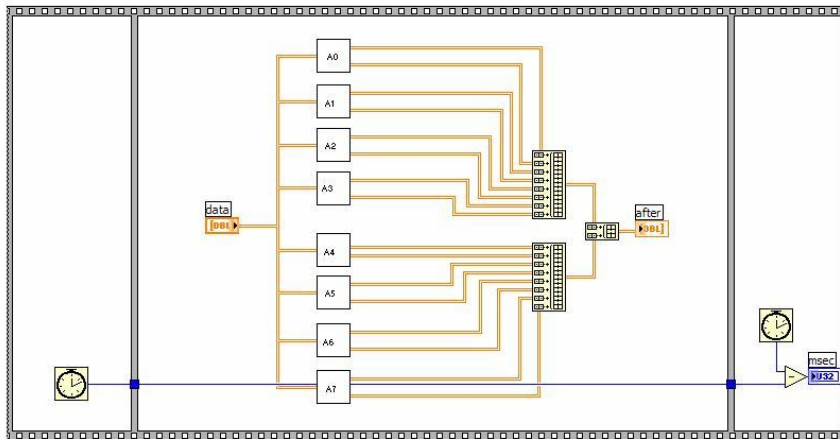


Natural Parallelization – Matrix Multiply

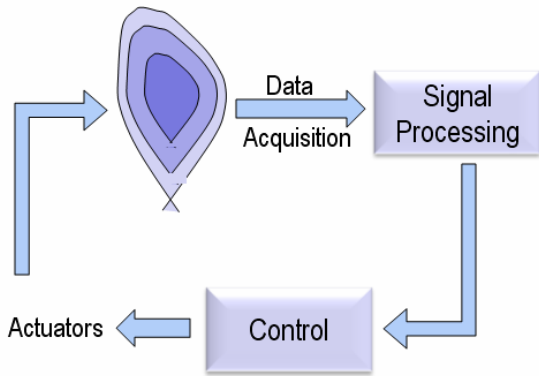
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Grad-Shafranov PDE for Real-Time Use

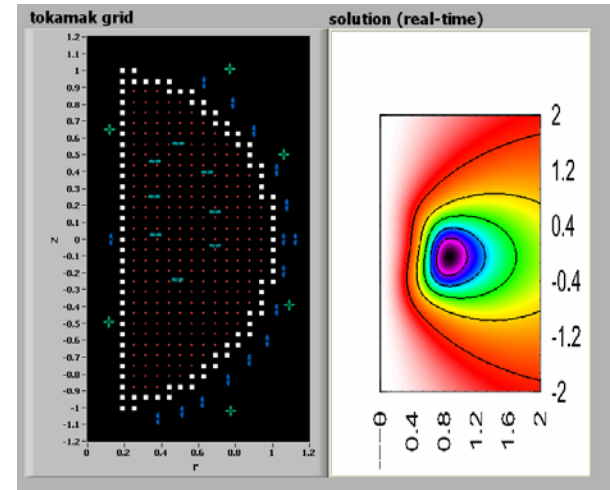
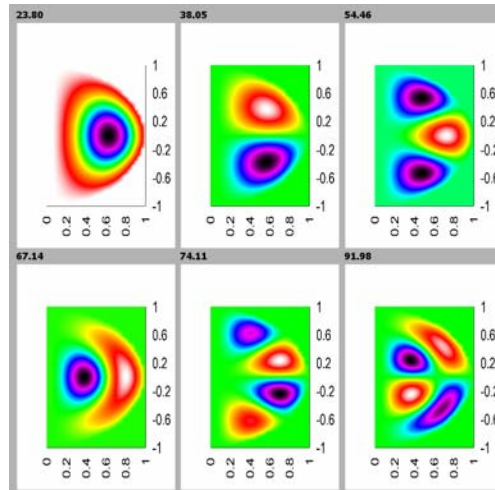


$$R \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left(\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial R} \right) + \left(\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial Z^2} \right) = -\mu_o R j_g$$

Some eigenfunctions

Real-time solution

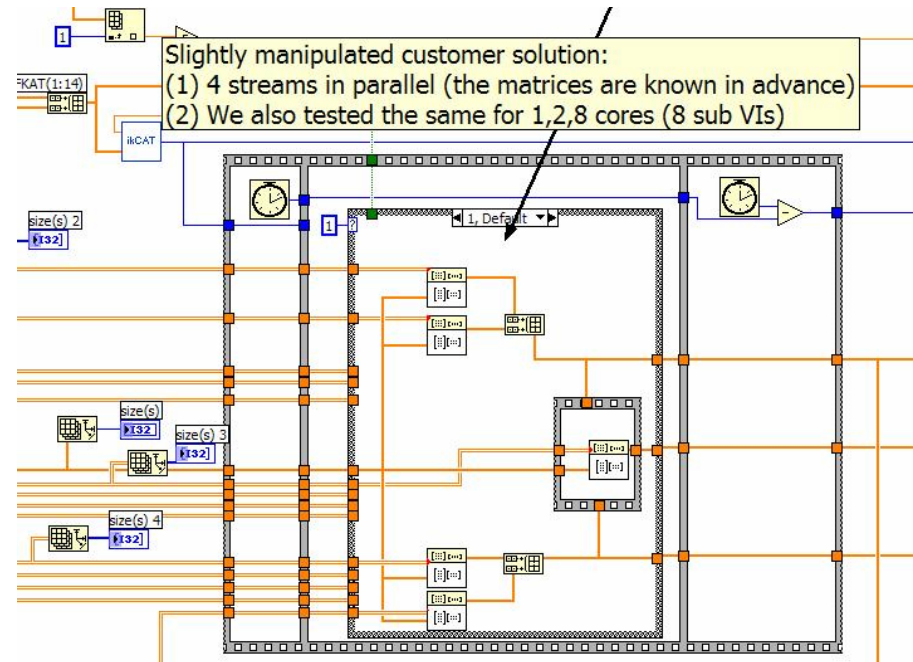
$$\begin{aligned} \omega(a,b) &= \iint_N da' db' \left[\sum_{i=1}^I \frac{1}{B_i} \Phi_i(a,b) \Phi_i(a',b') \right] \sum_{j=1}^J c_j \varphi_j(a',b') \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^J c_j \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^I \left[\iint_{\Omega(D)} da' db' \Phi_i(a',b') \varphi_j(a',b') \right] \frac{1}{B_i} \Phi_i(a,b) \right\} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^J c_j \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^I \frac{\alpha_{i,j}}{B_i} \Phi_i(a,b) \right\} \end{aligned}$$



Replacement For Grad-Shafranov For Real-Time Use

- 2691-by-159 matrix operations

cores	time [ms]
1	4.2
2	2.3
4	1.2
8	0.6



What if multi-core isn't good enough?

