

RUSPH

Building a SPH astrophysical simulation code in the Rust programming language

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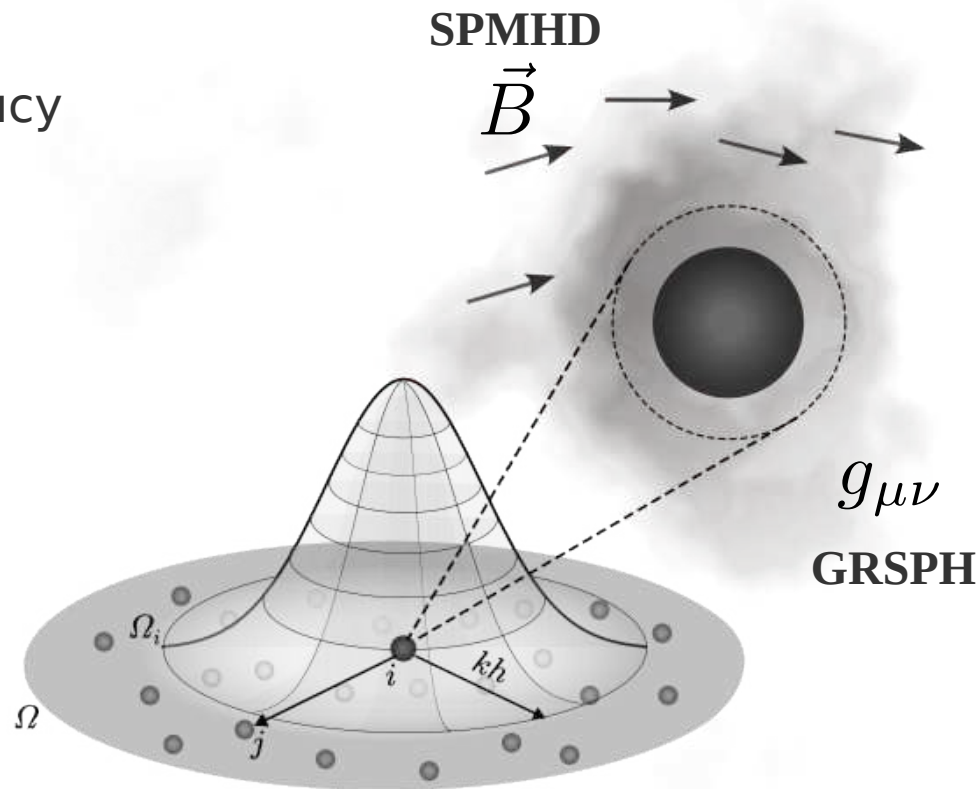
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01 – Motivation

- › (1977) Gingold & Monaghan / Lucy
~ 10^2 Particles
- › Currently,
~ 10^7 Particles

High **Performance** Codes

... Not only **speed**, but **safety**.



02 – Rust



2006 - A personal side project of Graydon Hoare

2010 - Mozilla Sponsorship

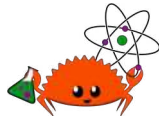
2015 - The first stable release, *Rust 1.0*

The main focus is (memory) Safety

- Null pointers
- Memory Leaks
- Race conditions

Efficient in performance.

Not yet widely used in scientific computing...
But it is emerging!



02 – Rust

Ownership:

Set of rules that the compiler checks.

- Every value in Rust has an owner.
- There can only be one owner at a time.
- When the owner goes out of the scope of the application, the value is removed.

Borrowing:

The action of creating a **reference** - obtaining some value without taking ownership.

- You can have one mutable reference or any number of immutable references.
- References must always be valid.

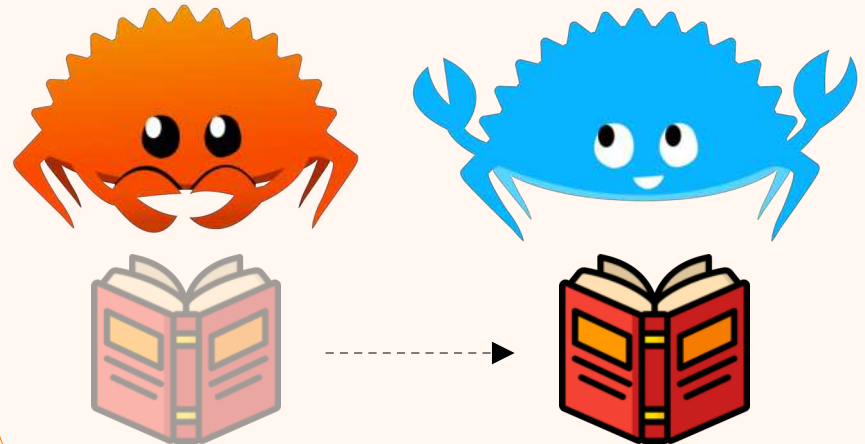
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Owning a <book>:
You can do what you want with it.



B

You can show your <book> to a friend.

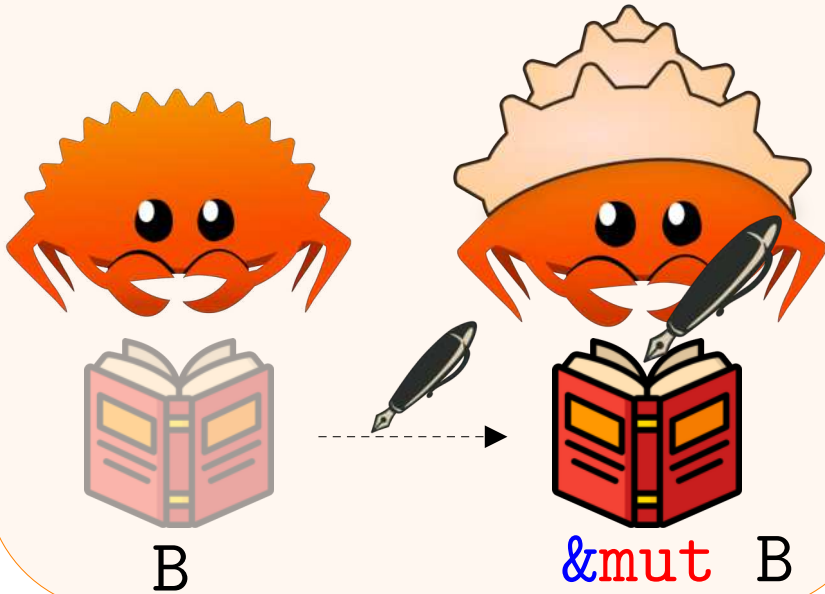


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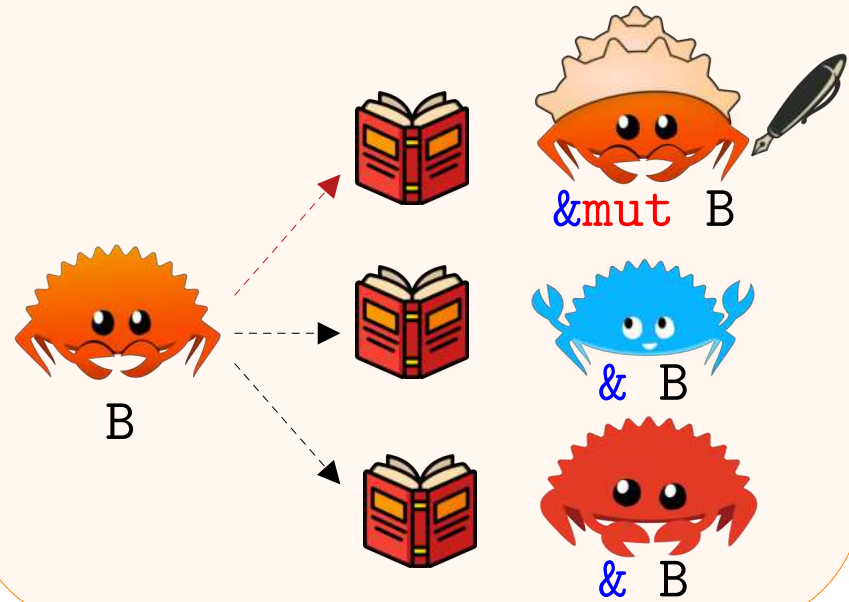
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You can offer to a friend a pen to write in the `<book>`.



Only one mutable reference



02 – Rust: Parallel computing

Rayon



Crate rayon

Version 1.7.0

All Items

Modules

Structs

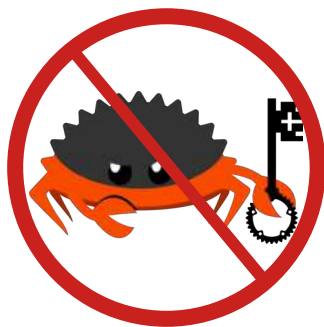
Enums

Functions

Crates

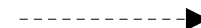
rayon

Data-parallelism library that converts sequential computations into parallel.



Memory Safety

1 Process



```
use rayon::prelude::*;

fn main() {
    let s1: [i32; 10] = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10];

    let sum: i32 = sum_of_squares(& s1);

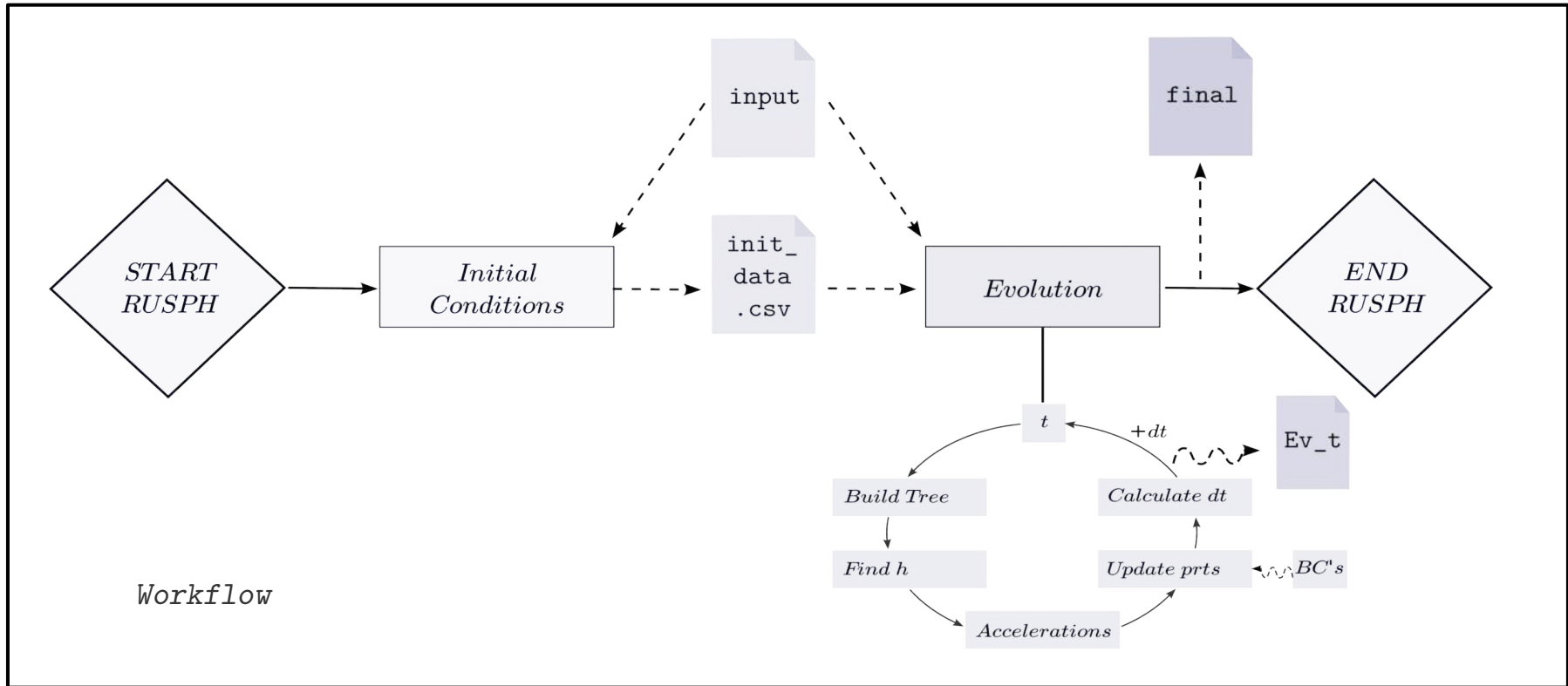
    println!("The sum is '{}'.", sum);
}

fn sum_of_squares(input: &[i32]) -> i32 {
    input.par_iter() // <-- just change that!
        .map(|&i| i * i)
        .sum()
}
```

03 – The Code: Rusph

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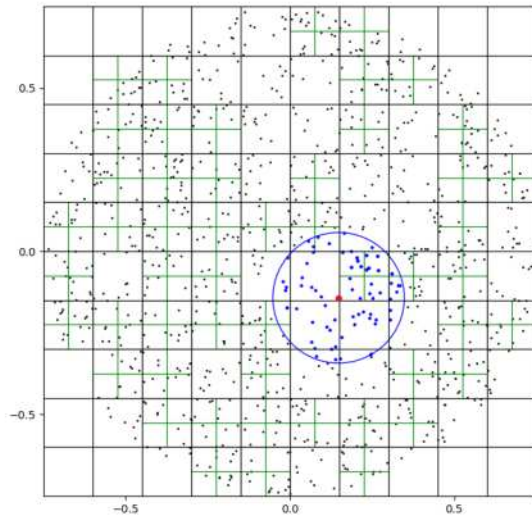
<https://github.com/JackNarvaez/Rusph.git>



03 – The Code: Rusph

1. The B-Tree Algorithm

$\mathcal{O}(N \log N)$



Finding Neighbors

| | Worst Case | Best Case |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>b</i> -tree | $\mathcal{O}(nd)$ | $\mathcal{O}(n)$ |
| octree | $\mathcal{O}(nd)$ | $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$ |

Cavelan et al. (2020)

2. Artificial Viscosity

$$\frac{d\mathbf{v}_a}{dt} = - \sum_b \frac{m_b}{\bar{\rho}_{ab}} v_{sig} \mathbf{v}_{ab} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ab} \nabla_a W_{ab}$$

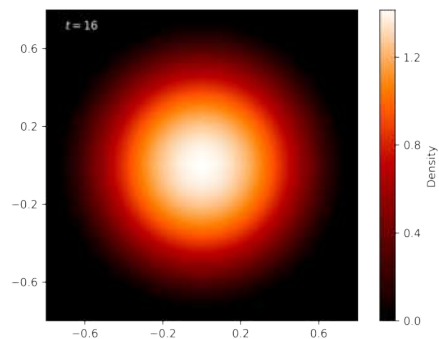
$$v_{sig} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \alpha [c_{s,a} + c_{s,b} - \beta \mathbf{v}_{ab} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ab}] & \mathbf{v}_{ab} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ab} \leq 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{v}_{ab} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ab} > 0 \end{cases}$$

3. Artificial Conductivity

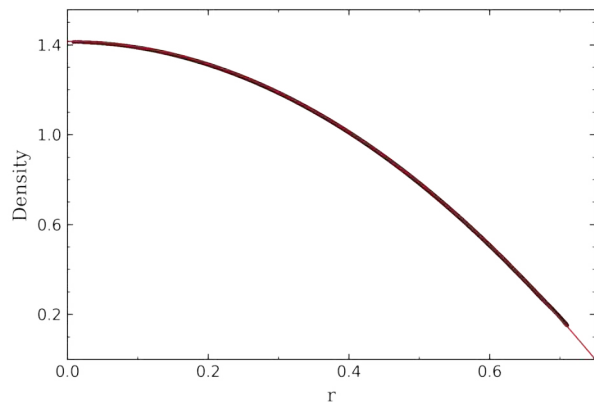
$$\frac{du_a}{dt} = \sum_b \frac{m_b}{\bar{\rho}_{ab}} \alpha_u v_{sig}^u (u_a - u_b) \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ab} \cdot \nabla_a W_{ab}(h_a)$$

04 – A look at our results

The toy star model

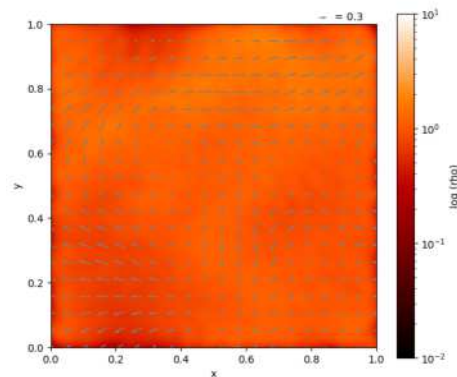
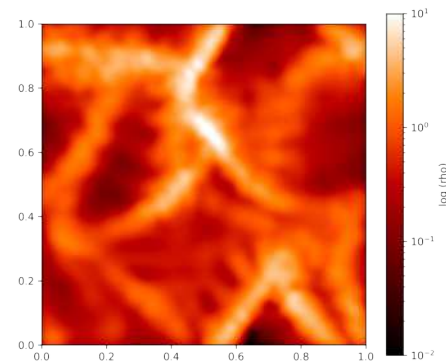


*Monaghan & Price,
(2004)*



~190K
Particles

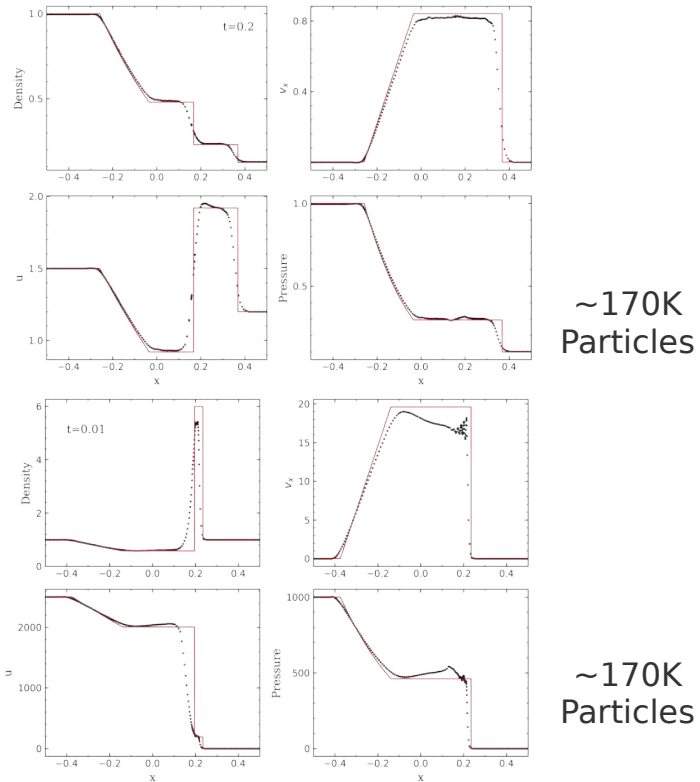
Turbulent density



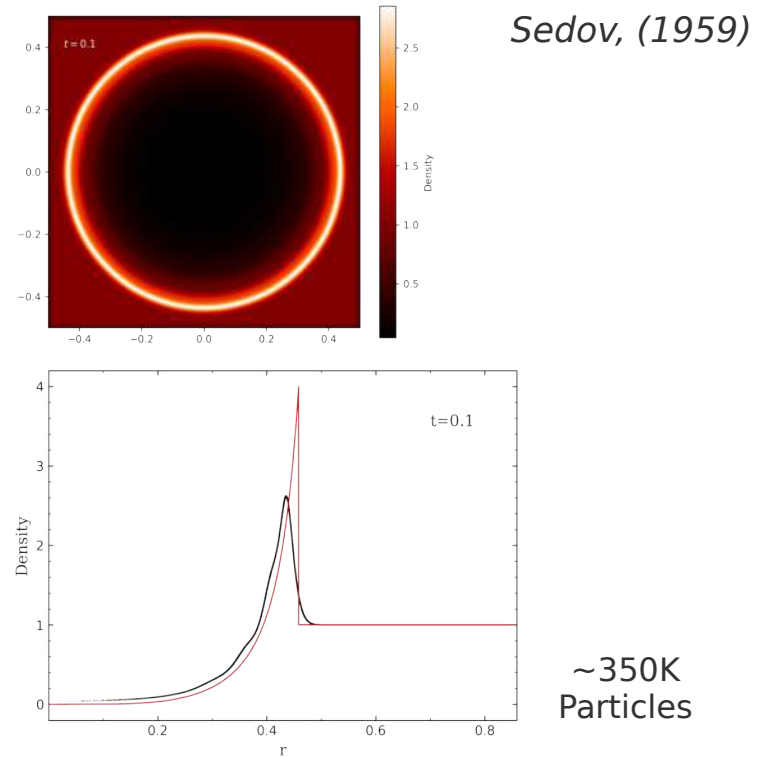
~32K
Particles

04 – A look at our results

Shock tests



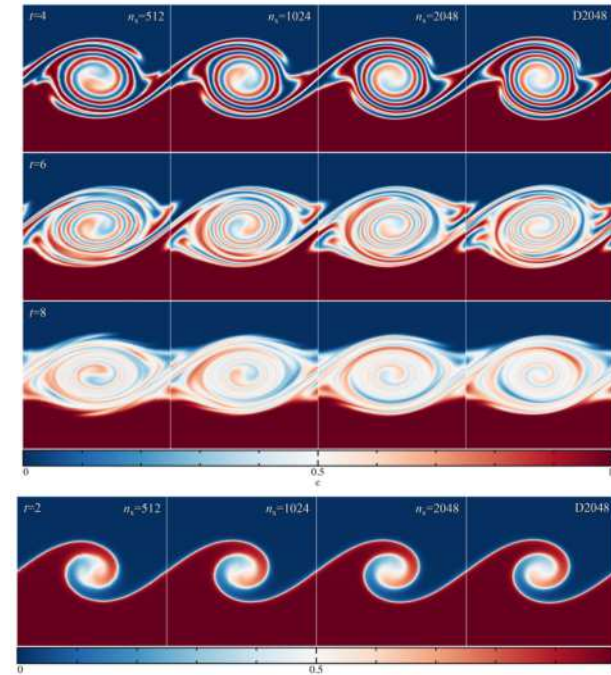
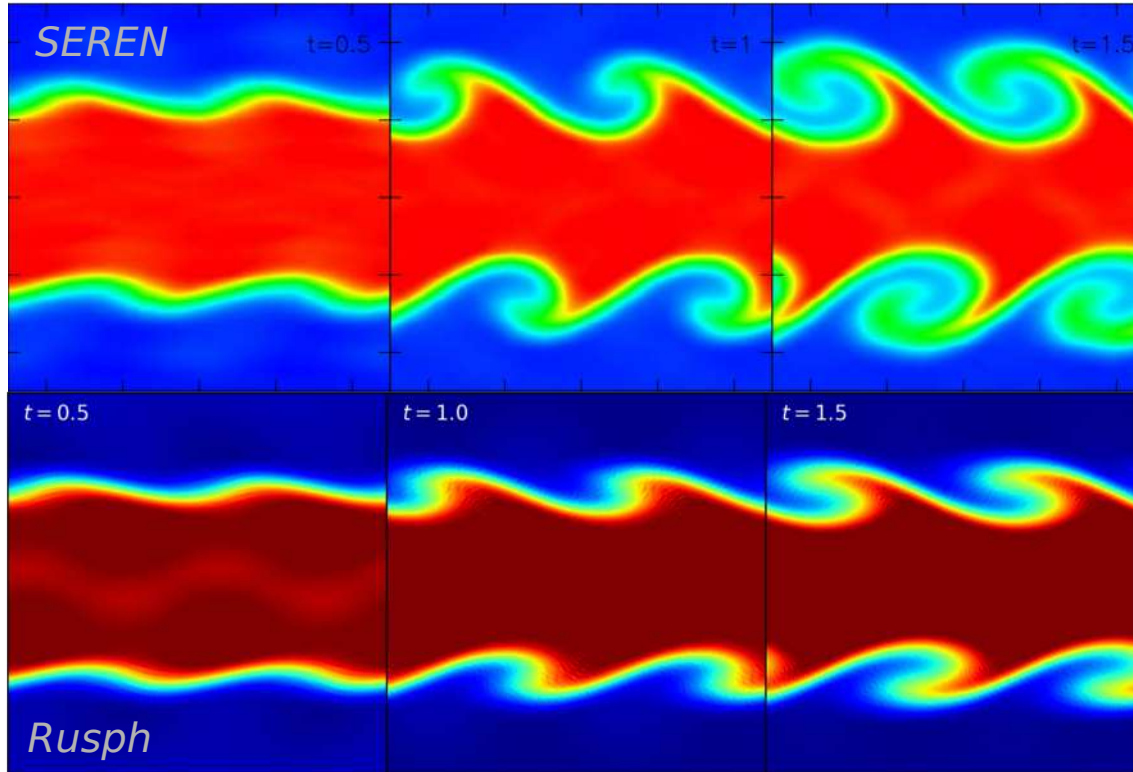
The Sedov blast wave



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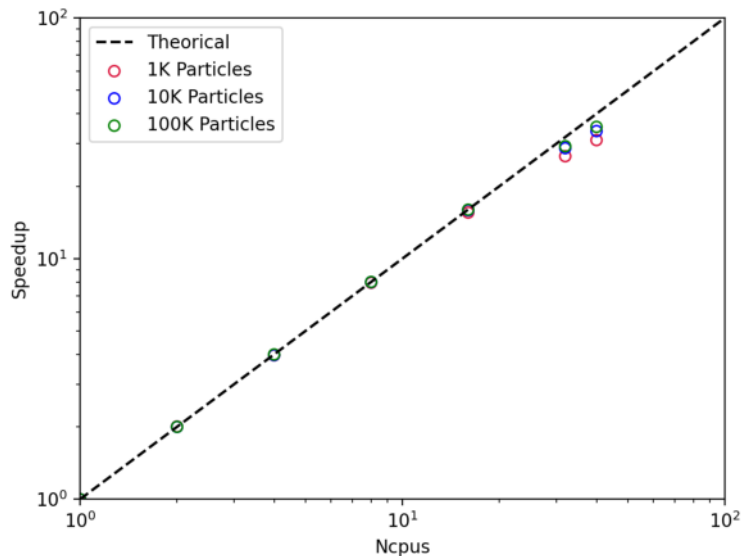
Kelvin Helmholtz Instabilities

Tricco, (2019) MNRAS 488, 5210–5224

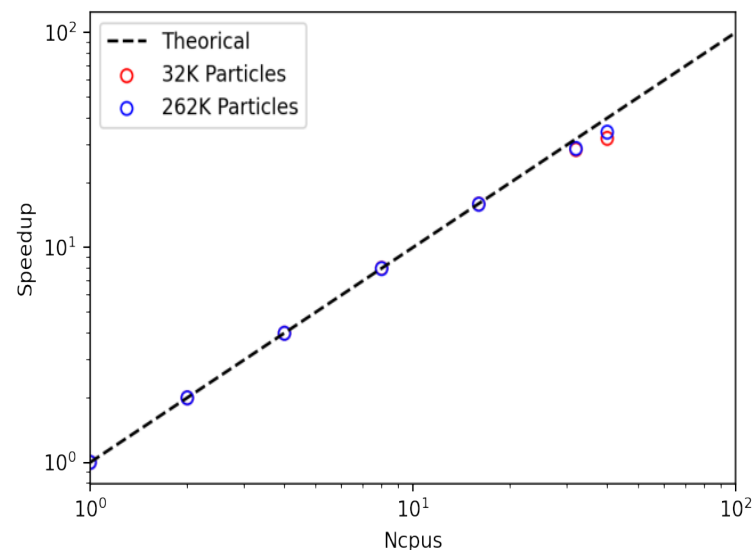


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Speedup: Strong scaling results for:



The Sedov Blast Wave Problem

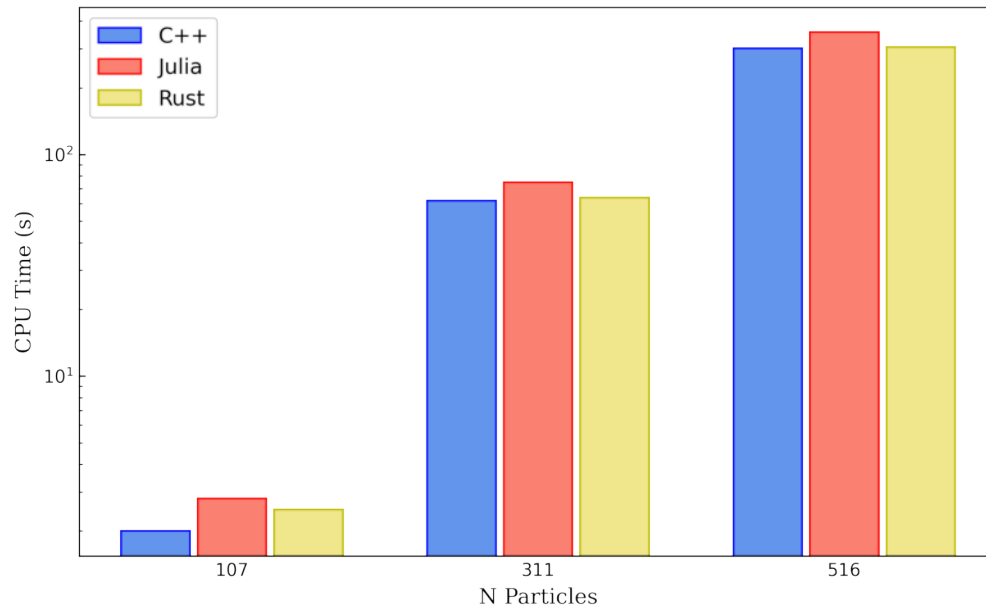


The Turbulent Gas Problem

* Tests performed on **CAIR**(IBM Power9 architecture)

04 – A look at our results

What about performance?



Basic SPH toy star model

05 – Summary

- **Rust**
 - Prevents most memory errors.
 - Performance advantages.
- Strong scaling results.
- Growing scientific ecosystem.
- **Rusph future:**
 - Include Gravity.
 - Improve performance.

Thank you!

Code is there for humans, not computers, to understand.

Rust Community.