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Innovative Computing Laboratory

- » International Known Research Group
- » Size- About 40 people
 - » 15 students; 15 full time; 10 support
- » Funding
 - » NSF
 - » Supercomputer Centers (NPACI & NCSA)
 - » Next Generation Software (NGS)
 - » Info Tech Res. (ITR)
 - » Middleware Init. (NMI)
 - » DOE
 - » SciDAC
 - » Math in Comp Sci (MICS)
 - » DOD
 - » Modernization
- » Work with companies
 - » Microsoft, MathLab, Intel, Sun Microsystems, Myricom, HP
- » PhD Dissertation, MS Project
- » Equipment
 - » A number of clusters
 - » Desktop machines
 - » Office setup
- » Summer internships
 - » Industry, ORNL, ...
- » Travel to meetings
- » Participate in publications



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Four Thrust Research Areas

- » Numerical Linear Algebra Algorithms and Software
 - » EISPACK, LINPACK, BLAS, LAPACK, ScaLAPACK, PBLAS, Templates, ATLAS
- » Self Adapting Numerical Algorithms (SANS) Effort
 - » LAPACK For Clusters
 - » SALSA
- » Heterogeneous Network Computing
 - » PVM, MPI
 - » FT-MPI, NetSolve
- » Software Repositories
 - » Netlib, NA-Digest
 - » NHSE, RIB, NSDL
- » Performance Evaluation
 - » Linpack Benchmark, Top500, PAPI

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Collaboration

- » CS Department here at UTK
- » Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- » UC Berkeley/UC Davis
- » UC Santa Barbara/UC San Diego
- » Globus/ANL/ISI
- » Salk Institute
- » Danish Technical University/UNIC
- » Monash University, Melbourne Australia
- » Ecole Normal Superior, Lyon France
- » ETHZ, Zurich Switzerland
- » ETL, Tsukuba Japan
- » Kasetsart U, Bangkok, Thailand

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What Next?

- » Jack -- Welcome
- » Sudesh Agrawal-- NetSolve
- » Kevin London -- PAPI
- » Graham Fagg -- Harness/FT-MPI
- » Asim YarKhan -- GrADS
- » Victor Eijkhout-- SANS

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NetSolve

Sudesh Agrawal

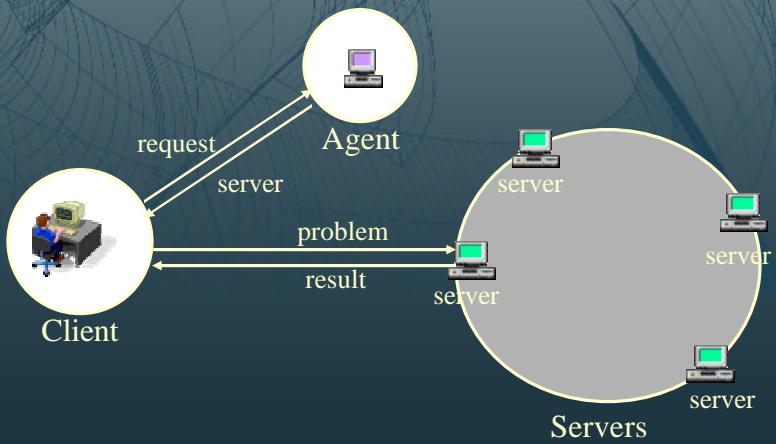
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Introduction

- » What is NetSolve
- » Is a research project started almost 6yrs back.
- » NetSolve is a client-server system that enables users to solve complex scientific problems over the net.
- » It allows users to access both hardware and software computational resources distributed across the net.

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How Does NetSolve Work?



The diagram illustrates the NetSolve workflow. It starts with a **Client** (a person at a computer) sending a **request** to an **Agent** (a computer icon). The Agent then sends a **problem** to a **Servers** cluster (a large circle containing four server icons). Finally, the Servers return a **result** back to the Client.

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Usability

- » Easy access to software
 - » Access standard and/or custom libraries.
 - » No need to know internal details about the implementation.
 - » Simple interface or API to access these libraries and software
- » Easy access to hardware
 - » Access to machines registered with NetSolve system.
 - » User's laptop can now access the power of super computers.
 - » No need to worry about crashing user machine.
- » User friendly interface to access the resources
 - » C, Fortran interface
 - » Matlab
 - » Octave
 - » Mathematica
 - » Web

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Features of NetSolve

- » Asynchronous and Synchronous requests
- » Sequencing
- » Task Farming
- » Fault Tolerance
- » Dynamic addition and deletion of resources
- » Pluggability with Condor-G
- » Pluggability with NWS
- » Pluggability with Globus
- » Interface with IBP

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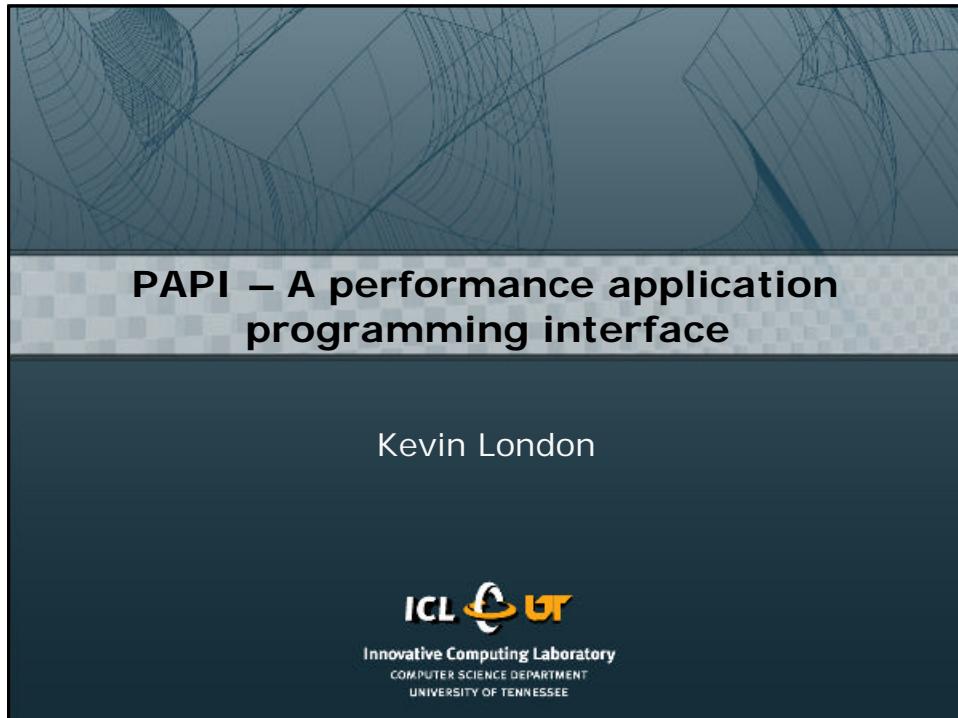
Future plans

- » NetSolve-E, which would be a revolutionary evolution of NetSolve.
- » Client and Server can sit behind NATs and be able to talk to each other
- » We would be able to incorporate different types of resources
- » More dynamics would be added, to allow plug and play capability into the system.
- » Resources would be able to come and go on the fly
- » Many more.....
- » In short, a revolution is going to happen in a year or two ☺
- » For more information contact us at NetSolve@cs.utk.edu

Final Note

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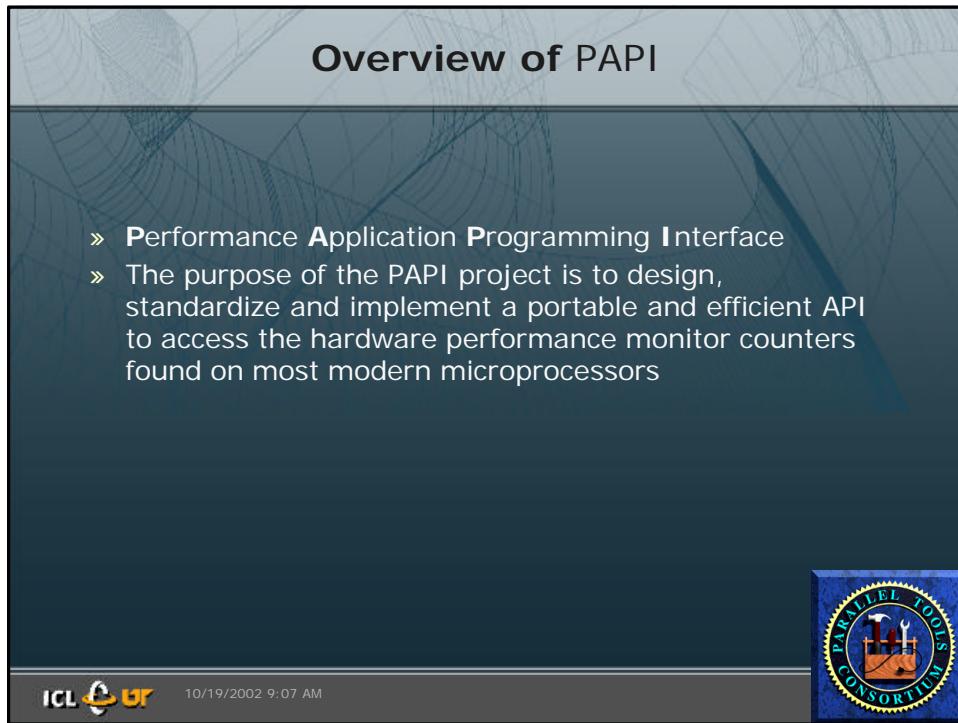
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**PAPI – A performance application
programming interface**

Kevin London

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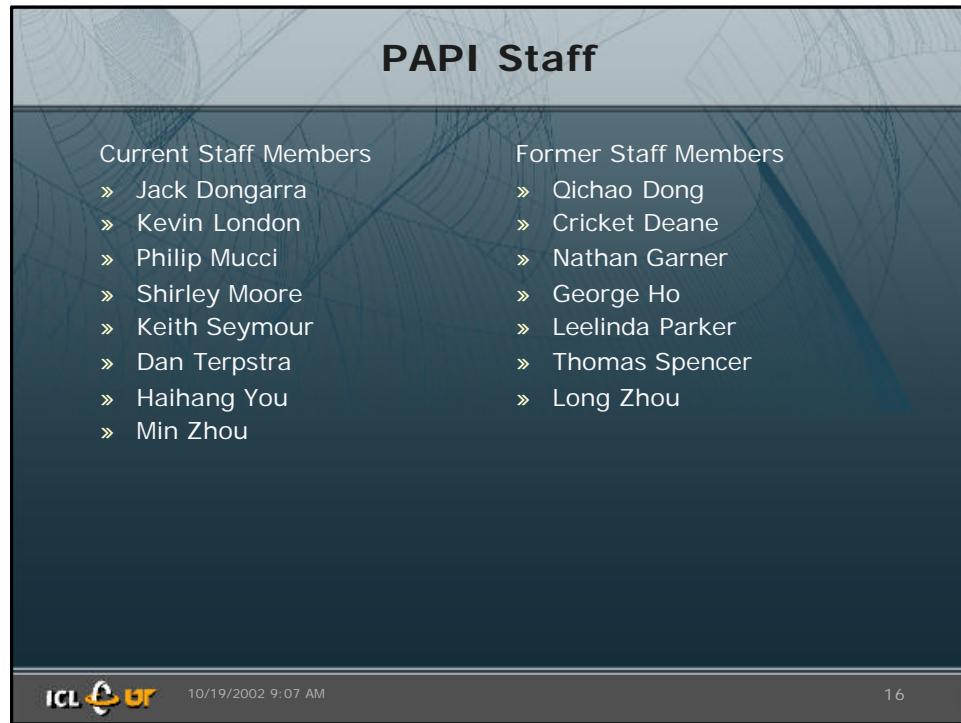
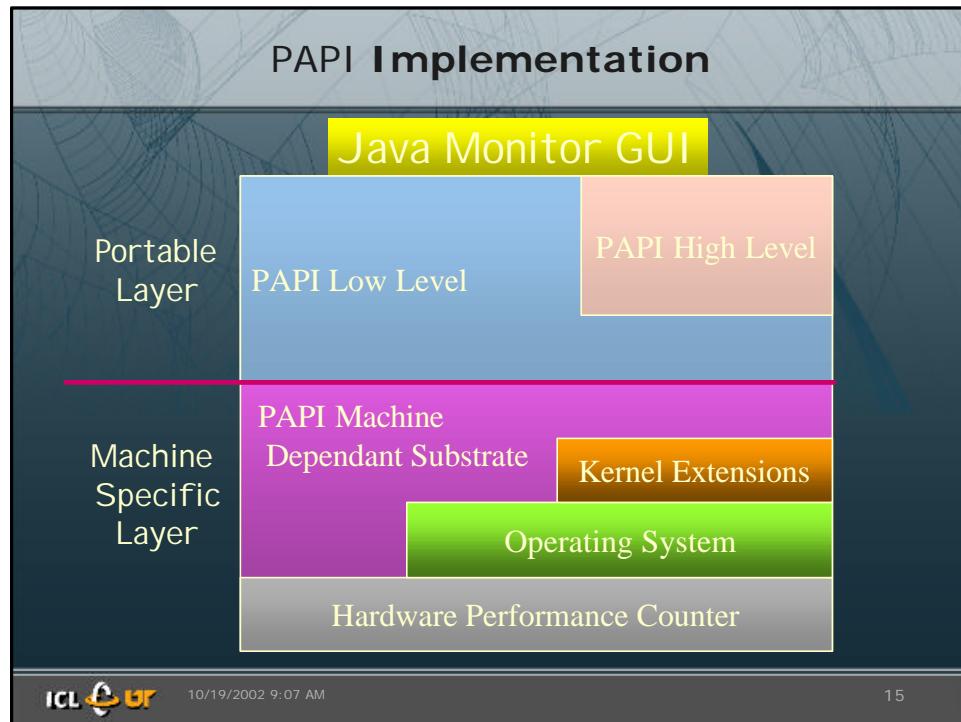
Overview of PAPI

- » Performance Application Programming Interface
- » The purpose of the PAPI project is to design, standardize and implement a portable and efficient API to access the hardware performance monitor counters found on most modern microprocessors

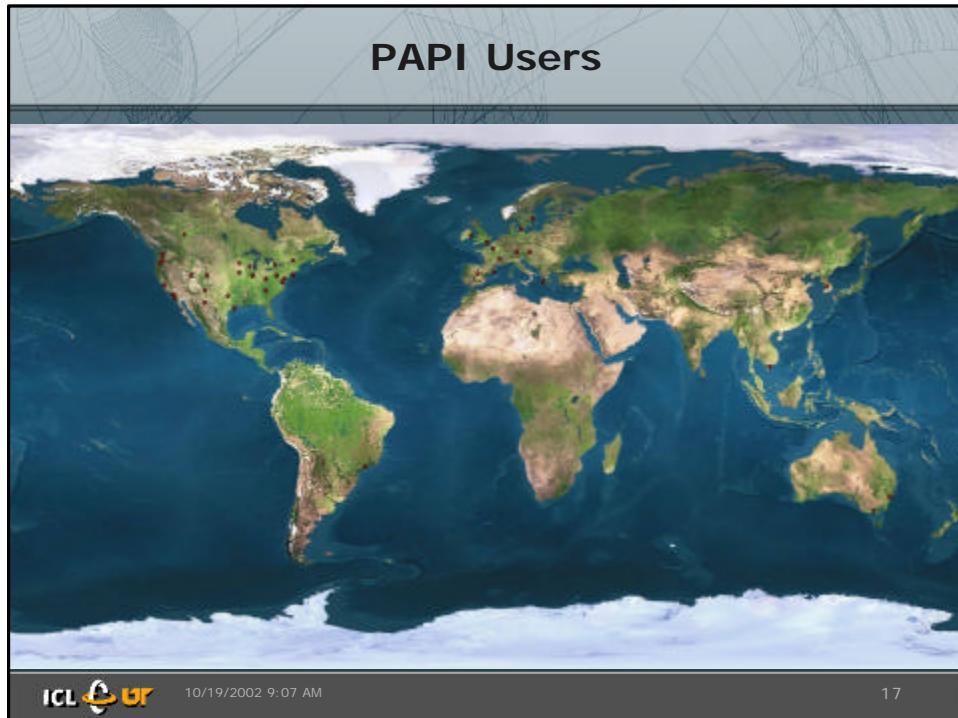
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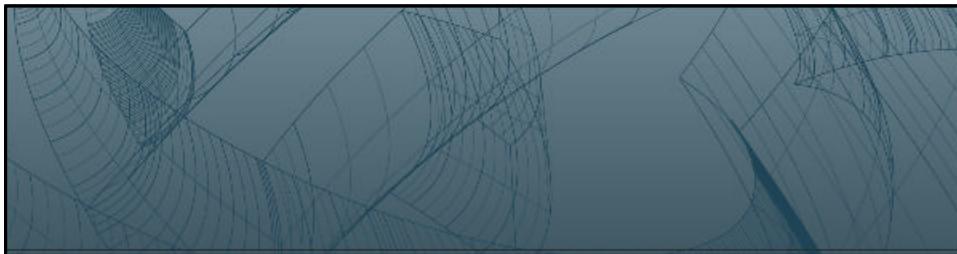
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HARNESS & FT-MPI

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HARNESS & FT-MPI

HARNESS = Heterogeneous Adaptable Reconfigurable Networked System

FT-MPI = Fault Tolerant MPI

HARNESS is a DOE funded, joint project with ORNL and Emory University.

UTK/ICL team, Edgar (soon), Graham, Tone.
Funding 3 years.



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Whats HARNESS?

- » Once upon a time.. We built s/w in a big block of modules. Each module did a different thing.. But they all got linked into a single executable.
 - » Example PVM a message passing library.
- » So when we needed some new functionality we wrote the new code, and recompiled a new executable.

Whats HARNESS?

- » HARNESS is a back-plane/skeleton
- » Build parts as you need them, put them on a web repository or in a local directory.
- » When you need something load them dynamically and then maybe throw them away...
- » Think of kernel modules but for a distributed system that does parallel RPC and message passing.
- » NOT JAVA, its faster C, C++, F90 etc

Whats FT-MPI

- » MPI is the Message Passing Interface standard.
- » FT-MPI is an implementation of that.
- » But..
 - » MPI programs were designed to live on reliable supercomputers.
 - » Modern machines and clusters are made from many thousands of commodity CPUs.
 - » $MTBF_{total} = MTBF_{node} * \text{number of nodes}$
 - » $MTBF_{total} < \text{my large application simulating the weather}$
 - » In English, modern jobs on modern machines have a high chance of failure and as they get bigger it will just get **worse...**

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What is FT-MPI

- » FT-MPI extends MPI and allows applications to decide what to do when an error occurs:
 - » restarting a failed node
 - » continuing with a lesser number of nodes
- » Other MPI implementations either just abort everything OR they use check-pointing to "roll back" which is expensive.

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Research stuff

- » HARNESS
 - » Distributed algorithms for coherency
 - » Management of plug-ins
 - » High speed parallel RPCs
- » FT-MPI
 - » Many2many [collective/group] communications, buffer management, new algorithms of numeric libraries
 - » Fault state management
- » Skills you would use:
 - » networking (TCP/sockets), systems (threads posix calls)

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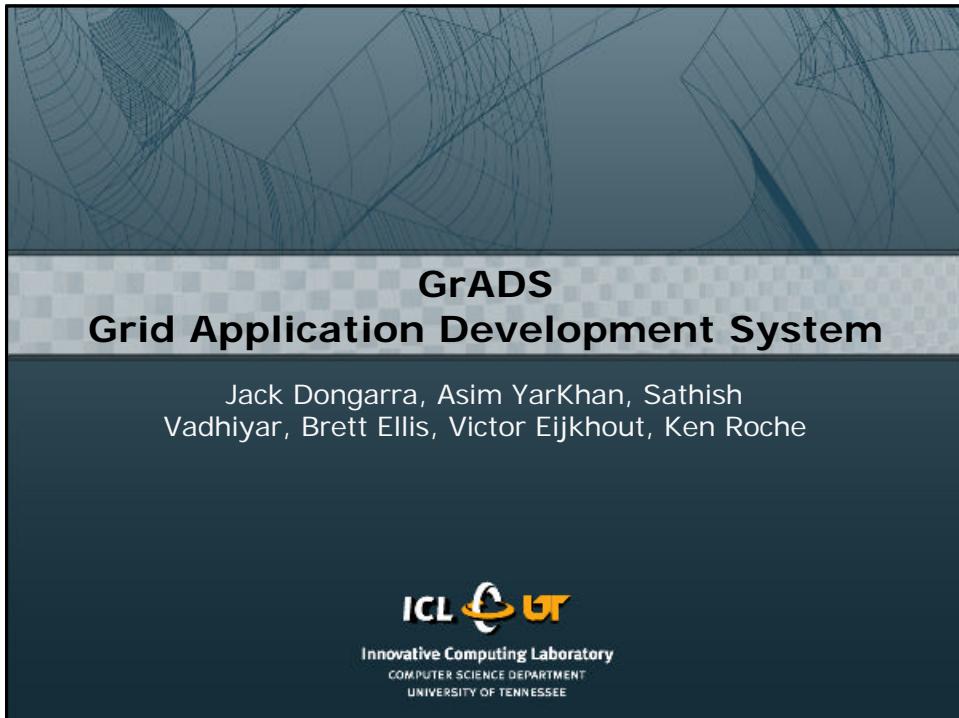
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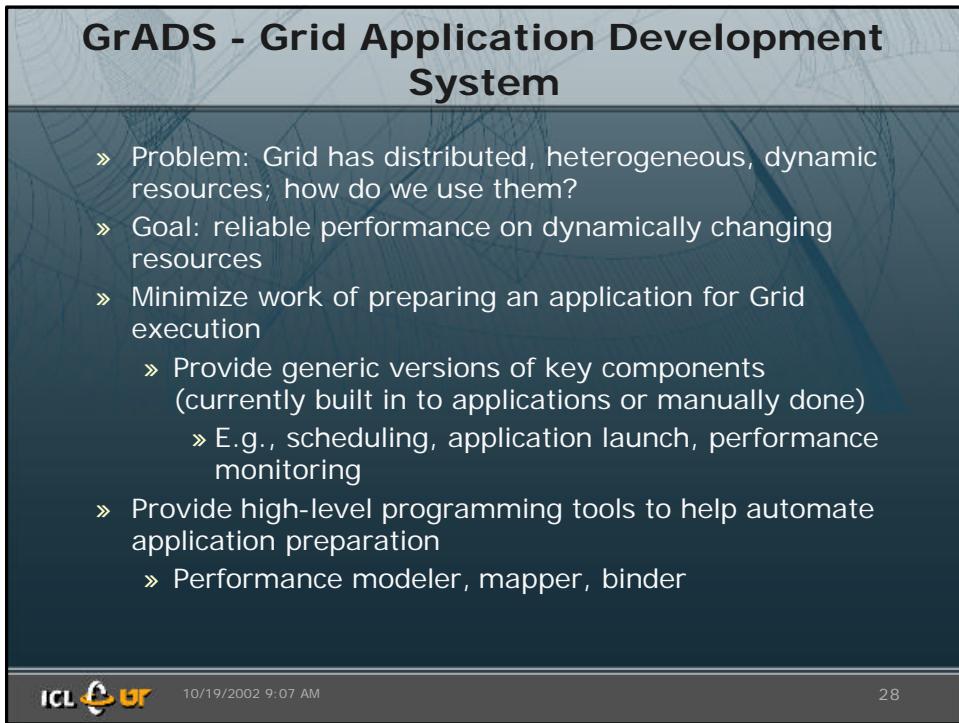
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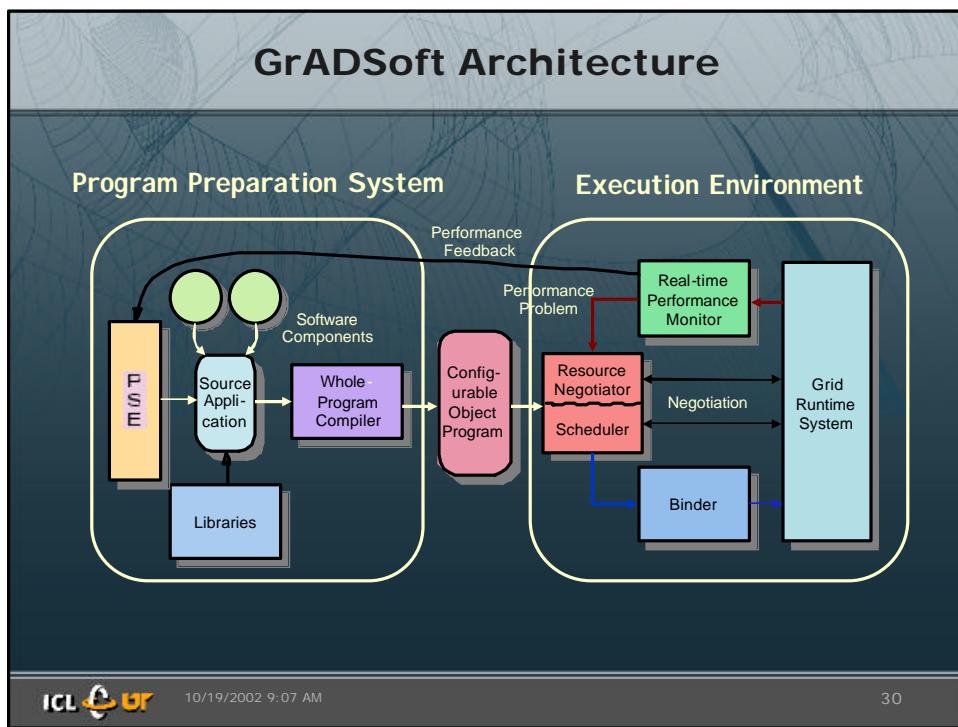
- » Problem: Grid has distributed, heterogeneous, dynamic resources; how do we use them?
- » Goal: reliable performance on dynamically changing resources
- » Minimize work of preparing an application for Grid execution
 - » Provide generic versions of key components (currently built in to applications or manually done)
 - » E.g., scheduling, application launch, performance monitoring
 - » Provide high-level programming tools to help automate application preparation
 - » Performance modeler, mapper, binder

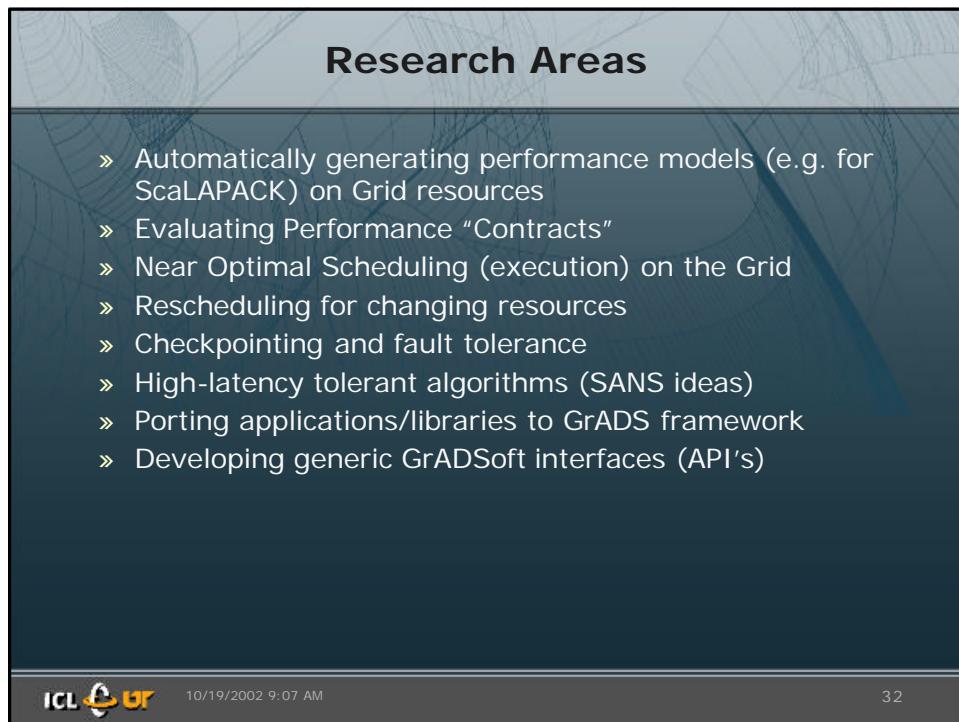
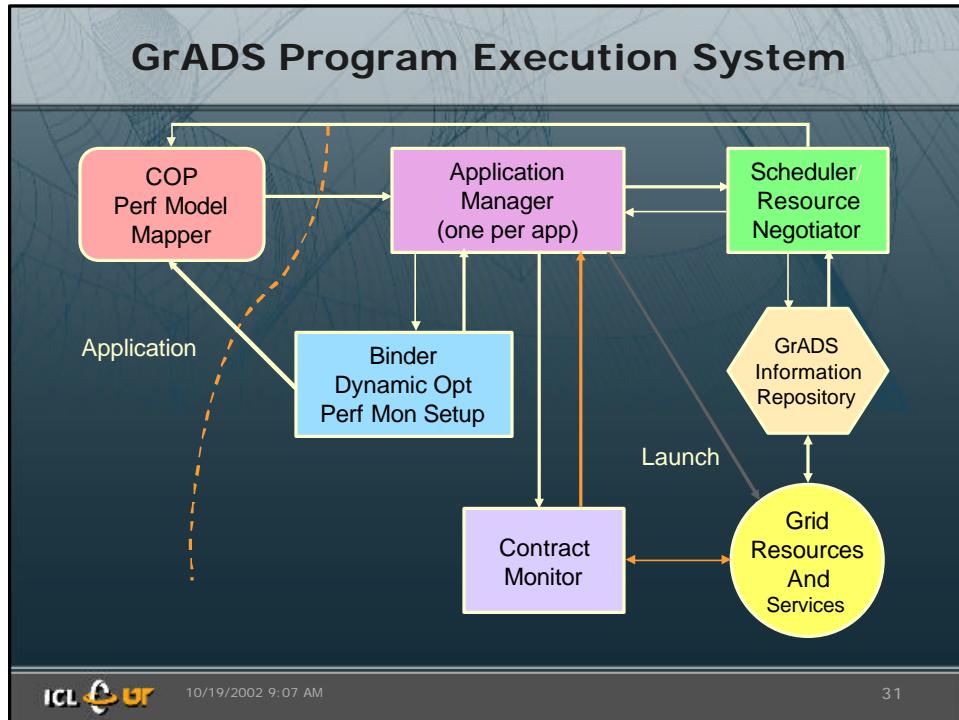
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People in GrADS

- » Principal Investigators
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 - » Andrew Chien, UCSD
 - » Keith Cooper, Rice
 - » Jack Dongarra, Tennessee
 - » Ian Foster, Chicago
 - » Dennis Gannon, Indiana
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 - » John Mellor-Crummey, Rice
 - » Dan Reed, UIUC
 - » Linda Torczon, Rice
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- » Other Contributors
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 - » Holly Dail, UCSD
 - » Anshu Dasgupta, Rice
 - » Sridhar Gullapalli, USC ISI
 - » Charles Koelbel, Rice
 - » Anirban Mandal, Rice
 - » Gabriel Marin, Rice
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How To Be A
Mathematician In A CS
Department And Still
Have Fun

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We get $D_{jj} \downarrow d_0, G_{i+j,j} \uparrow g_i, H_{j,i+j} \uparrow h_i$ where d_0, g_i, h_i satisfy the limit equations

$$d_0 = x_0 - \sum_{k=1}^{\min(p_-, p_+)} \frac{g_k h_k}{d_0}, \quad (3a)$$

$$g_i = x_{-i} + \sum_{k=1}^{p_- - i} \frac{g_{k+i} h_k}{d_0}, \quad (3b)$$

$$h_i = x_i + \sum_{k=1}^{p_+ - i} \frac{g_k h_{i+k}}{d_0}. \quad (3c)$$

Now let $p = \max(p_-, p_+)$, let $g_i = 0$ for $p_- < i \leq p$ and $h_i = 0$ for $p_+ < i \leq p$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & d_0 \left(x_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} x_{-i} - \sum_{i=1}^{p_+} x_i \right) \\ &= d_0^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{p_-} g_k h_k - d_0 \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} g_i + \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} \sum_{k=1}^{p_- - i} g_{i+k} h_k - d_0 \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} h_i + \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} \sum_{k=1}^{p_- - i} g_k h_{i+k} \\ &= d_0^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{p_-} g_k h_k - d_0 \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} g_i + \sum_{k=1}^{p_-} \sum_{i=1}^{p_- - k} g_k h_i - d_0 \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} h_i + \sum_{k=1}^{p_-} \sum_{i=1}^{p_- - k} g_k h_{i+k} \\ &= d_0^2 - d_0 \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} g_i - d_0 \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} h_i + \sum_{k=1}^{p_-} \sum_{i=1}^{p_- - k} g_k h_i = \left(d_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} g_i \right) \left(d_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} h_i \right) \\ &= \left(d_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} g_i \right) \left(d_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} h_i \right) \end{aligned}$$

gives that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(x_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} x_{-i} - \sum_{i=1}^{p_+} x_i \right) &= \frac{1}{d_0} \left(d_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} g_i \right) \left(d_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_+} h_i \right) \\ &= \left(\sqrt{d_0} - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} \frac{g_i}{\sqrt{d_0}} \right) \left(\sqrt{d_0} - \sum_{i=1}^{p_+} \frac{h_i}{\sqrt{d_0}} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

If x_0 is increased by a small amount, the lhs (which is positive) increases. From the recursion formulae it follows that d_0 will also increase, whereas all g_i and h_i will decrease. Hence both factors of the rhs will increase, as their product increases and they are of equal sign they must both be positive. Qed

2.2 Some elementary estimates for Toeplitz matrices

In the case $X = (x_{i-j})$ the coefficients introduced in (1a,b,c) are readily estimated. From (3a) we estimate d_0 :

$$d_0 = x_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} \frac{g_i h_i}{d_0} \geq x_0 - \frac{(\sum g_i)(\sum h_i)}{d_0} \geq x_0 - d_0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d_0}{x_0} \leq 1$$

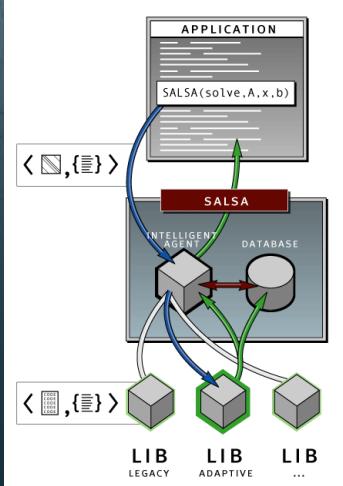
2. Decay rates of inverses

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The SALSA Project

- » Self-Adaptive Linear Solver Architecture
- » Traditional approach: user picks library routine, calls.
 - » All decisions up to user
- » Need for intelligent middleware to assist the user in
- » picking the best library call
 - » One extreme: use as black box
 - » Less extreme: the user supplies hints, wishes, annotations
- » Intelligence is developed over time: feedback of results into a database
 - » Tuning of heuristics.



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