

Overview of European initiatives focusing on the orchestration of HPC, AI, and Big data

Workflows Community BoF

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EuroHPC JU and its projects

- The European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC JU) is a joint initiative between the EU, European countries and private partners to develop a World Class Supercomputing Ecosystem in Europe
 - Procuring and deploying pre-exascale and petascale systems in Europe
 - These systems will be capable of running large and complex applications demanding the composition of HPC, AI and data analytics
 - Support for research and innovation activities
 - Call on Jan 2020: EuroHPC-02-2019: High Performance Computing (HPC) and data driven HPC software environments and application-oriented platforms





eFlows4HPC Project



eFlows4HPC objectives



- Software tools stack that make it easier the management of complex workflows
 - Combine different frameworks
 - HPC, AI + data analytics
 - Reactive and dynamic workflows
 - Automatic workflow steering
 - Full lifecycle management
 - Not just execution
 - Data logistics and Deployment
- HPC Workflows as a Service:
 - Mechanisms to make it easier the use and reuse of HPC by wider communities





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Users' Communities

Motivation



eFlows4HPC approach

Stack

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Federated HPC Infrastructure



Cloud Infrastructure

Workflow development overview



eFlows4HPC

Integrating Software in workflow





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Converts a python function to software invocation as a PyCOMPSs task

Deployment and Execution Overview



Deployment through Containers for specific systems

- Standard Containers
 - Generic compilations

eFlows4HPC Gateway Services

End-User workflow (multiple executions)

eFlows4HPC Gateway Services

- More portable, but less performance
- HPC Ready containers

Alien4Cloud

HPCWaaS

Execution API

Deploy

- Compilation with Architecture Optimizations
- Device specific compatibility (MPI/GPUs)
- Less portable, but performance similar to bare metal

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Service to generate tailored images

ACROSS Project



Motivations



- Complex heterogeneous application workflows:
 - Mixing (large) numerical simulations, machine learning, deep learning, HPDA, etc.
- Heterogeneous infrastructural resources:
 - Cloud computing, HPC, edge computing, etc.
 - Hardware specialization (GPUs, FPGAs, AI-tailored architectures, specialized interconnections, storage hierarchy)
- Energy efficiency in the loop



Need to revise the way orchestration is done to catch/tackle such application complexity

Workflow management



- Decoupling workflow description (which are the steps composing the workflow) from deployment plans (where to execute each step)¹:
 - Management of loops and streaming
 - o Binding workflow steps with their specific deployment plans (execution environment)
 - Deployment plan statically defined at the beginning by the user:
 - Precluding possible (workflow-aware) optimizations



Need to introduce a more dynamic way of defining deployment plans (i.e., resource allocation)

Workflow management



- Exploring optimization opportunities:
 - Better composition of resources in the (HPC) deployment plan
 - (Global) overview over the workflows:
- Improve workflow execution by shortening the overall makespan:
 - Need more deterministic allocation of resources and workflow steps execution

Two approaches:

- Smart job submission to the queuing system
- 'On-demand' resource reservation

Smart job submission



- Predicting job features to 'guess' the best point in time when to perform the job submission:
 - Machine learning (ML) / Deep learning (DL) in the loop:
 - Capture job features that are not easy to translate into scheduling rules
 - Require to collect and access to a large bunch of (training) data
 - Strong dependency from the infrastructural settings
 - Strong temporal dependency among jobs
 - Require to (often) retrain the models



Exploitable but not enough mature

On-demand resource reservation

- Smart way of making on-demand reservations of (HPC) resources:
 - Not breaking the underlying management policies already in place in the 0 queuing system
 - Provide a more controllable way of introducing determinism Ο
 - User-space mechanism Ο
 - Making the deployment plan setting dynamic Ο
 - Provide room for inter-workflow resource allocation: 0
 - Combinatorial problem definition
 - Easy to combine with a mechanism to provide fine grain resource Ο allocation (i.e., less than a single entire node)



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