



Postdoctoral Researcher: Performance analysis of HPC applications

The Center for Exascale Simulation of Plasma-coupled Combustion (XPACC — <http://xpacc.illinois.edu>) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign seeks a Postdoctoral Research Associate in the area of Performance analysis of HPC applications. Specific tasks will be to:

- Develop performance measurement tools to measure hardware and software latencies, network contention, bandwidth, and operation rates on massively parallel heterogeneous computers,
- Design performance models of the Center's current computational science application,
- Analyze the Center's application performance relative to measured hardware and software capabilities, to confirm and refine the application performance model, and
- Identify, plan, and implement performance improvement opportunities for platform dependent optimization using available Center tools (tiling, vectorization, just-in-time compilation, over-decomposition) based on the performance model.

Faculty working in this area within XPACC include Bill Gropp and Daniel Bodony.

This is a large center-level effort, and there will be tremendous opportunities for leadership and career development within the center. There will also be opportunities for close collaborative interaction with computer scientists, computational scientists, and experimentalists, as well as the international high-performance computing community. Interest and ability to interact productively with our DOE sponsors is essential. The center also includes more senior staff-level personnel, which provides opportunities for promotion within XPACC.

XPACC researchers have access to state-of-the-art computing platforms at all DOE/NNSA labs and the Blue Waters system (<https://bluwaters.ncsa.illinois.edu/>) at the University of Illinois.

Applicants should have a PhD in a Computer Science or a related field. A competitive salary will be set in accordance with University of Illinois policy. Appointments will be for 1 year, with the possibility of renewal for additional years.

To apply, email applications in PDF format to xpacc@illinois.edu. These should include a full CV (including publications and details of graduate studies) and at least 3 references. The target start date is November 15, 2015. Please be sure to indicate the specific position to which you are applying.

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