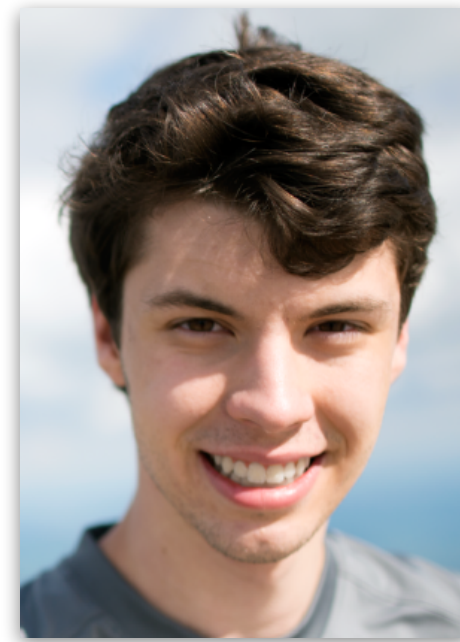




Reactant: Optimize Julia functions with MLIR & XLA



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```
function f(x: Symmetric)
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The Code I Want To Write != The Code I Want To Run

- Allocation for result of $x*x$
 - Matmul computation
- Allocation for result of second $x*x$
 - Matmul computation
- No allocation of transpose (yay types!)
- Allocation for result of add
 - Add computation

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function f3(x: Symmetric)
    out = similar(x)
    mul!(out, x, x, 2, 0)
end
```

Why Can't the Compiler Fix this for Me?

```
function f(x)
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end
```

```
@code_typed f(y)
CodeInfo(
  1 — %1 = invoke Main.:*(x::Matrix{Float64}, x::Matrix{Float64})::Matrix{Float64}
    | %2 = invoke Main.:*(x::Matrix{Float64}, x::Matrix{Float64})::Matrix{Float64}
    | %3 = %new{Transpose{Float64, Matrix{Float64}}}(x::Matrix{Float64})::Transpose{Float64, Matrix{Float64}}
    | %4 = invoke Main.:+((%1::Matrix{Float64}, %3::Transpose{Float64, Matrix{Float64}}))::Matrix{Float64}
    └─ return %4
) => Matrix{Float64}
```

```
julia> @code_typed y*y
CodeInfo(
1  ─── %1 = Base.arraysize(A, 1)::Int64
    |   %2 = Base.arraysize(B, 2)::Int64
    |   %3 = $(Expr(:foreigncall, :(:jl_alloc_array_2d), Matrix{Float64}, svec{Any, Int64, Int64}, 0, :(:ccall), Matrix{Float64}, :(%1), :(%2), :(%2), :(%1)))::Matrix{Float64}
    └── goto #25 if not true
2  ----- %5 = ϕ (#1 => 'N', #23 => %47)::Char
    |   %6 = ϕ (#1 => 2, #23 => %48)::Int64
    └── goto #13 if not true
3  ----- %8 = ϕ (#2 => 'N', #12 => %26)::Char
    |   %9 = ϕ (#2 => 2, #12 => %27)::Int64
    |   %10 = Base.bitcast(Base.UInt32, %8)::UInt32
    |   %11 = Base.bitcast(Base.UInt32, %5)::UInt32
    |   %12 = (%10 === %11)::Bool
    └── goto #5 if not %12
4  ─── goto #14
5  ─── %15 = Base.sle_int(1, %9)::Bool
    └── goto #7 if not %15
6  ─── %17 = Base.sle_int(%9, 3)::Bool
    └── goto #8
7  ─── nothing::Nothing
8  ----- %20 = ϕ (#6 => %17, #7 => false)::Bool

...

24 ─── goto #26
25 --- goto #26
26 --- %55 = ϕ (#24 => false, #25 => true)::Bool
    └── goto #27
27 ─── goto #33 if not %55
28 ─── goto #30 if not true
29 ─── nothing::Nothing
30 --- goto #32 if not true
31 ─── nothing::Nothing
32 --- %62 = invoke LinearAlgebra.gemm_wrapper!{%3::Matrix{Float64}, 'N'::Char, 'N'::Char, A::Matrix{Float64}, B::Matrix{Float64}, $(QuoteNode{LinearAlgebra.MulAddMul}{true, true, Bool, Bool}(true, false))})::LinearAlgebra.MulAddMul{true, true, Bool, Bool})::Matrix{Float64}
    └── goto #37
33 ─── goto #36 if not true
34 ─── goto #36 if not true
35 ─── nothing::Nothing
36 --- %67 = invoke LinearAlgebra._generic_matmatmul!{%3::Matrix{Float64}, 'N'::Char, 'N'::Char, A::Matrix{Float64}, B::Matrix{Float64}, $(QuoteNode{LinearAlgebra.MulAddMul}{true, true, Bool, Bool}(true, false))})::LinearAlgebra.MulAddMul{true, true, Bool, Bool})::Matrix{Float64}
    └── goto #37
37 --- %69 = ϕ (#32 => %62, #36 => %67)::Matrix{Float64}
    └── goto #38
38 ─── goto #39
39 ─── return %69
) => Matrix{Float64}
```

What is MLIR?



Multi-Level Intermediate Representation (MLIR)

- New Compiler IR with user-defined instructions, optimizations, analyses
 - Linear Algebra
 - GPU Programming
 - Fully Homomorphic Encryption
- Mix and match dialects and optimizations from multiple dialects
- Core infrastructure of modern ML frameworks (JaX, PyTorch, TensorFlow)
- Frontends for C++ (Polygeist), Julia (Reactant.jl, this talk :)

```
func @set(%arg0: memref<?xi32>, %arg1: i32) {  
  affine.for %arg2 = 0 to 10 {  
    affine.store %arg1, %arg0 [2 * %arg2] : memref<?xi32>  
  }  
  return  
}
```

GPU Programming via LLVM

- Mainstream compilers do not have a high-level representation of parallelism, making optimization difficult or impossible
- This is accentuated for GPU programs where the kernel is kept in a separate module to allow emission of different assembly and synchronization is treated as a complete optimization barrier.

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__global__ void normalize(int *out, int* in, int n) {  
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    if (tid < n)  
        out[tid] = in[tid] / sum(in, n);  
}  
  
void launch(int *out, int* in, int n) {  
    normalize<<<n>>>(d_out, d_in, n);  
}
```

Host Code

Device Code

```
target triple = "x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu"  
  
define void @_Z6launchPiS_i(i32* %out,  
                           i32* %in,  
                           i32 %n) {  
    call i32 @pushCallConfiguration(...)  
    call i32 @cudaLaunch(@_device_stub, ...)  
    ret void  
}
```

```
target triple = "nvptx"  
  
define void @_Z9normalize(i32* %out,  
                        i32* %in, i32 %n) {  
    %4 = call i32 @llvm.tid.x()  
    %5 = icmp slt i32 %4, %n  
    br i1 %5, label %6, label %13  
  
6:  
    %8 = getelementptr i32, i32* %in, i32 %4  
    %9 = load i32, i32* %8, align 4  
    %10 = call i32 @_Z3sumPii(i32* %in, i32 %n)  
    %11 = sdiv i32 %9, %10  
    %12 = getelementptr i32, i32* %out, i32 %4  
    store i32 %11, i32* %12, align 4  
    br label %13  
  
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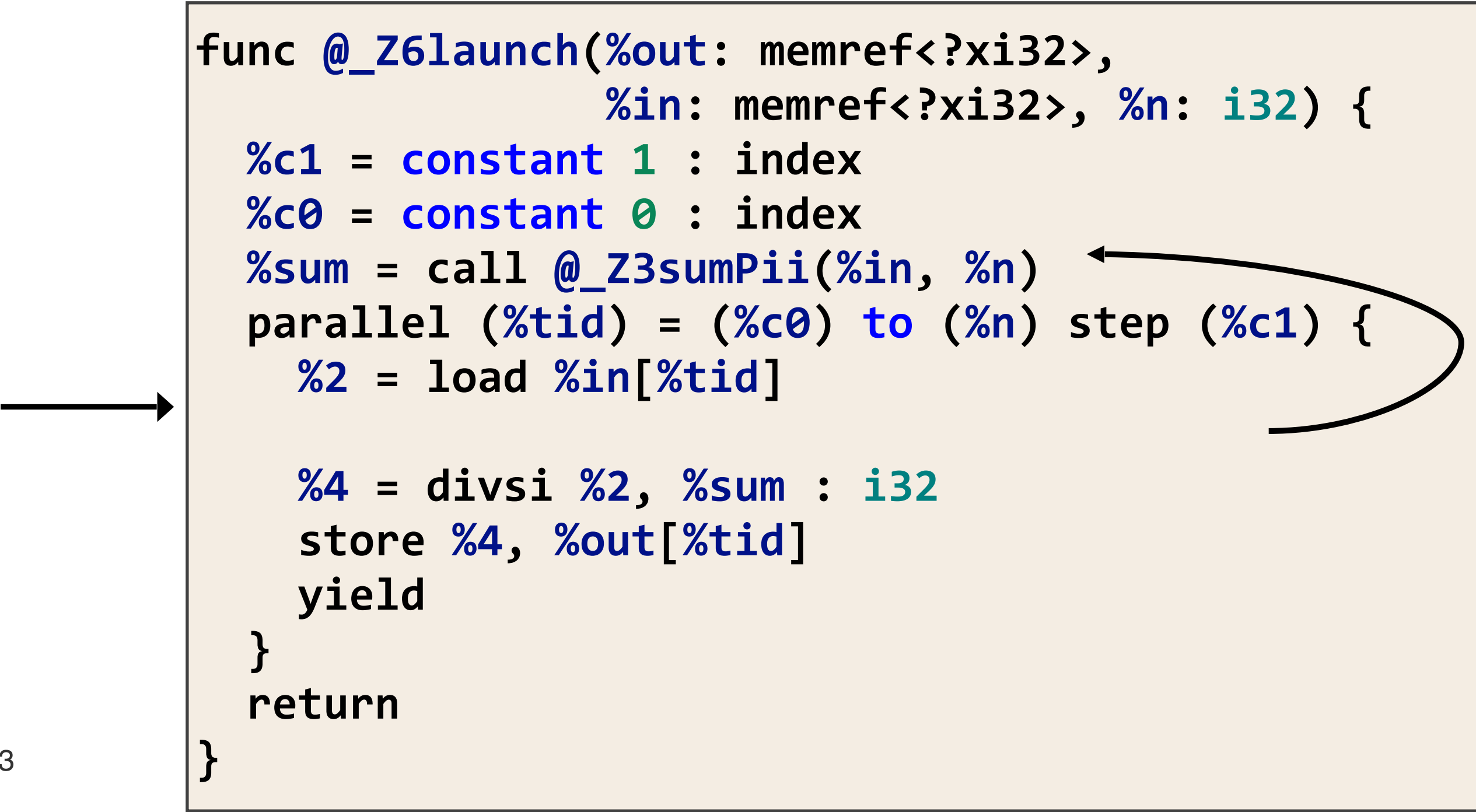


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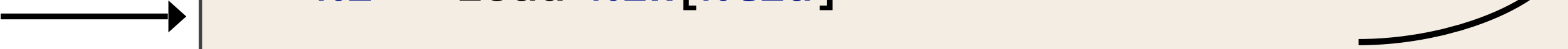


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Wrote >200 different patterns!

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Reactant.jl

- Optimizing Compiler Framework For Julia, built on top of MLIR
- Preserves high-level structures from Julia code into the compiler
 - Effectively optimize programs
 - Effectively retarget programs (allowing them to run on distributed clusters of your favorite accelerator, including CPU/GPU/TPU)
- Can leverage XLA (state of the art runtime, used by TensorFlow, JaX, & PyTorch)
- Compatible with mutation, control flow(*), autodiff (Enzyme)
- All open source ([GitHub.com/EnzymeAD/Reactant.jl](https://github.com/EnzymeAD/Reactant.jl))



Reactant.jl Usage

```
using Reactant

x = Reactant.to_rarray(ones(3,3))

function f(x)
    x * x + transpose(x * x)
end

r_f = @compile f(x)

r_f(x)
```

- Reactant has 3 core primitives:
 - Reactant.ConcreteArray
 - @compile
 - Reactant.TracedRArray

Reactant.jl ConcreteArrays

```
julia> x = Reactant.to_rarray(ones(3,3))
```

```
2025-07-25 09:09:49.875290: I external/xla/xla/service/service.cc:163] XLA  
service 0x11e08f0 initialized for platform CUDA (this does not guarantee that  
XLA will be used).
```

```
julia> r_f(x)  
3×3 ConcretePJRTArray{Float64,2}:  
 6.0  6.0  6.0  
 6.0  6.0  6.0  
 6.0  6.0  6.0
```

```
julia> Reactant.devices()  
2-element Vector{Reactant.XLA.PJRT.Device}:  
 Reactant.XLA.PJRT.Device{Ptr{Nothing} @0x00000000013d21a0, "CUDA:0 NVIDIA  
GeForce RTX 5090"}  
 Reactant.XLA.PJRT.Device{Ptr{Nothing} @0x0000000000aefd90, "CUDA:1 NVIDIA  
GeForce RTX 5090"}
```



Reactant.jl Compilation

```
julia> @code_hlo optimize=false f(x)
module @reactant_f attributes {mhlo.num_partitions = 1 : i64, mhlo.num_replicas = 1 : i64} {
  func.func private @"Reactant.TracedUtils.TypeCast{Float64}()_broadcast_scalar"(%arg0: tensor<f64>) -> tensor<f64> {
    return %arg0 : tensor<f64>
  }
  func.func private @"Reactant.TracedUtils.TypeCast{Float64}()_broadcast_scalar_1"(%arg0: tensor<f64>) -> tensor<f64> {
    return %arg0 : tensor<f64>
  }
  func.func private @"Reactant.TracedUtils.TypeCast{Float64}()_broadcast_scalar_2"(%arg0: tensor<f64>) -> tensor<f64> {
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  }
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    return %arg0 : tensor<f64>
  }
  func.func private @"+_broadcast_scalar"(%arg0: tensor<f64>, %arg1: tensor<f64>) -> (tensor<f64>, tensor<f64>, tensor<f64>) {
    %0 = stablehlo.add %arg0, %arg1 : tensor<f64>
    return %0, %arg0, %arg1 : tensor<f64>, tensor<f64>, tensor<f64>
  }
  func.func @main(%arg0: tensor<3x3xf64> {tf.aliasing_output = 1 : i32}) -> (tensor<3x3xf64>, tensor<3x3xf64>) {
    %0 = stablehlo.transpose %arg0, dims = [1, 0] : (tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
    %cst = stablehlo.constant dense<0.000000e+00> : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %1 = stablehlo.convert %0 : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %2 = stablehlo.convert %0 : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %cst_0 = stablehlo.constant dense<0.000000e+00> : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %3 = stablehlo.broadcast_in_dim %1, dims = [0, 1] : (tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
    %4 = enzyme.batch @"Reactant.TracedUtils.TypeCast{Float64}()_broadcast_scalar"(%3) {batch_shape = array<i64: 3, 3>} : (tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
    %5 = stablehlo.convert %4 : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %cst_1 = stablehlo.constant dense<0.000000e+00> : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %6 = stablehlo.broadcast_in_dim %2, dims = [0, 1] : (tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
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    %8 = stablehlo.convert %7 : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %9 = stablehlo.dot_general %5, %8, contracting_dims = [1] x [0], precision = [DEFAULT, DEFAULT] : (tensor<3x3xf64>, tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
    %cst_2 = stablehlo.constant dense<0.000000e+00> : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %10 = stablehlo.convert %0 : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %11 = stablehlo.convert %0 : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %cst_3 = stablehlo.constant dense<0.000000e+00> : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %12 = stablehlo.broadcast_in_dim %10, dims = [0, 1] : (tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
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    %14 = stablehlo.convert %13 : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %cst_4 = stablehlo.constant dense<0.000000e+00> : tensor<3x3xf64>
    %15 = stablehlo.broadcast_in_dim %11, dims = [0, 1] : (tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
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    %17 = stablehlo.convert %16 : tensor<3x3xf64>
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tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
    %1 = stablehlo.transpose %0, dims = [1, 0] : (tensor<3x3xf64>) -> tensor<3x3xf64>
    %2 = stablehlo.add %1, %0 : tensor<3x3xf64>
    return %2 : tensor<3x3xf64>
  }
}

julia> @code_xla f(x)
HloModule reactant_f, is_scheduled=true, entry_computation_layout={(f64[3,3]{1,0})->f64[3,3]{1,0}},
frontend_attributes={fingerprint_before_lhs="e0828ffd4833737b459c41de309ba417"}

%fused_add (param_0.1: f64[3,3]) -> f64[3,3] {
  %param_0.1 = f64[3,3]{1,0} parameter(0)
  %transpose.2 = f64[3,3]{1,0} transpose(%param_0.1), dimensions={1,0}
  ROOT %add.4.1 = f64[3,3]{1,0} add(%transpose.2, %param_0.1), metadata={op_name="add" source_file="/mnt3/wmoses/git/Reactant.jl/
src/Ops.jl" source_line=375}
}

ENTRY %main.5 (Arg_0.1: f64[3,3]) -> f64[3,3] {
  %Arg_0.1 = f64[3,3]{1,0} parameter(0), metadata={op_name="arg1 (path=(args, 1))"}
  %custom-call.1 = (f64[3,3]{1,0}, s8[144]{0}) custom-call(%Arg_0.1, %Arg_0.1), custom_call_target="__cublas$gemm",
metadata={op_name="dot_general" source_file="/mnt3/wmoses/git/Reactant.jl/src/Ops.jl" source_line=808},
backend_config={"operation_queue_id":"0","wait_on_operation_queues":[],"gemm_backend_config":
{"alpha_real":1,"beta":0,"dot_dimension_numbers":{"lhs_contracting_dimensions":["0"],"rhs_contracting_dimensions":
["1"],"lhs_batch_dimensions":[],"rhs_batch_dimensions":[]},"alpha_imag":0,"precision_config":{"operand_precision":
["DEFAULT","DEFAULT"],"algorithm":"ALG_UNSET"},"epilogue":"DEFAULT","lhs_stride":"9","rhs_stride":"9","grad_x":false,"grad_y":false,
"damax_output":false},"force_earliest_schedule":false,"reification_cost":[]}
  %get-tuple-element.1 = f64[3,3]{1,0} get-tuple-element(%custom-call.1), index=0, metadata={op_name="dot_general" source_file="/
mnt3/wmoses/git/Reactant.jl/src/Ops.jl" source_line=808}
  ROOT %loop_add_fusion = f64[3,3]{1,0} fusion(%get-tuple-element.1), kind=kLoop, calls=%fused_add, metadata={op_name="add"
source_file="/mnt3/wmoses/git/Reactant.jl/src/Ops.jl" source_line=375}
}
```



Reactant.jl TracedArrays

- ConcreteArray : Reactant-specific array type (which could have information stored across multiple devices)
- TracedArray: Reactant-specific array type used during compilation which represent data whose values are not compile-time constants

```
julia> function g(x)
           @show x
           x * x + transpose(x * x)
       end

julia> r_f = @compile g(x)
x = TracedRArray{Float64,2N}(((args, 1),), size=(3, 3))
```



Reactant.jl TracedArrays

```
julia> function h(cond, x)
    if cond
        return x
    else
        return x*x
    end
end
h (generic function with 2 methods)

julia> cond = Reactant.to_rarray(true; track_numbers=Number)
ConcretePJRTNumber{Bool}(true)

julia> @jit h(cond, x)
ERROR: TypeError: non-boolean (Reactant.TracedRNumber{Bool}) used in boolean context

julia> function h2(cond, x)
    @trace if cond
        x
    else
        x*x
    end
end
h2 (generic function with 1 method)

julia> @jit h2(cond, x)
1-element Vector{ConcretePJRTArray{Float64, 2, 1}}:
 ConcretePJRTArray{Float64, 2, 1}([1.0 1.0 1.0; 1.0 1.0 1.0; 1.0 1.0 1.0])
```

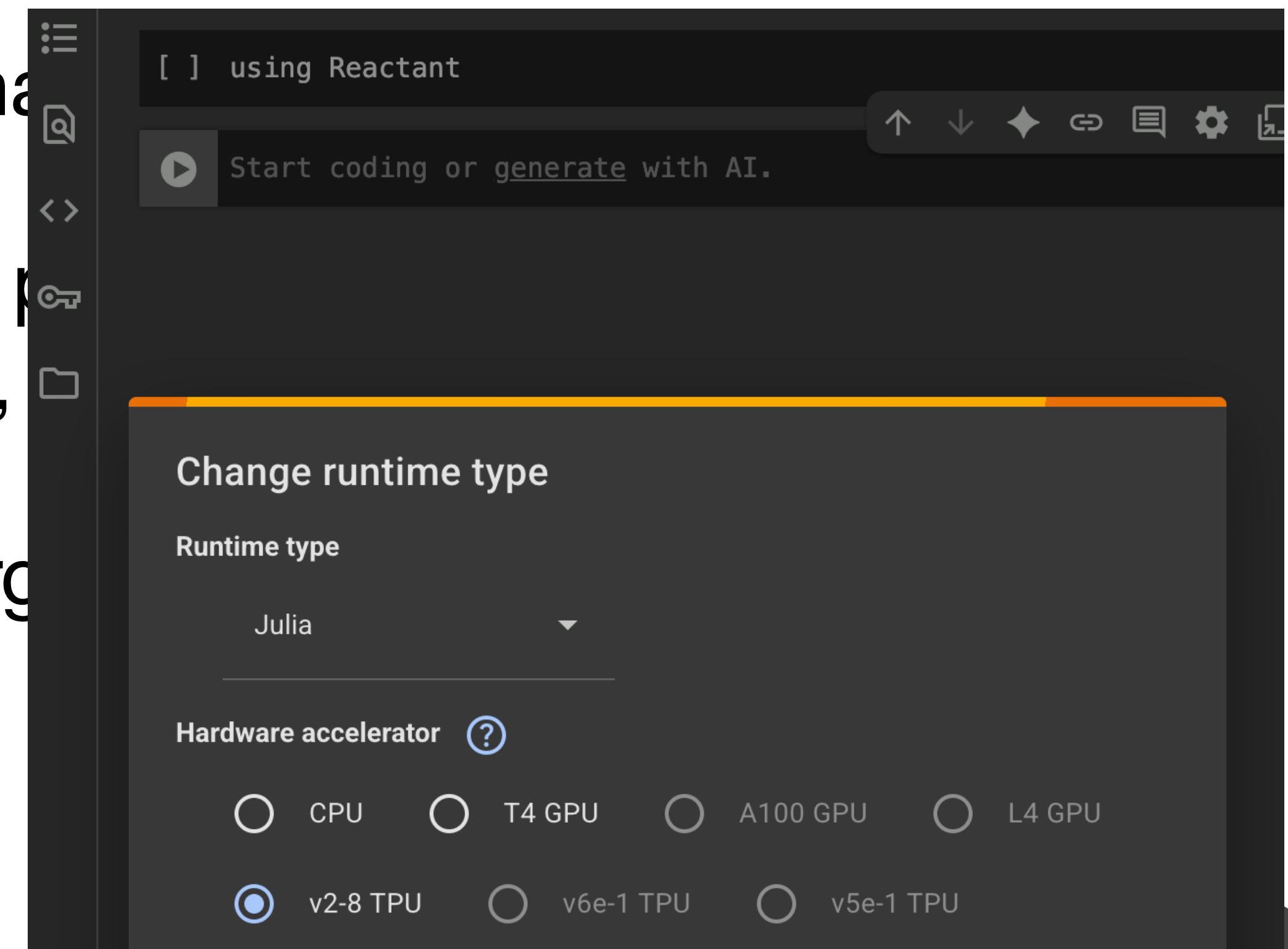
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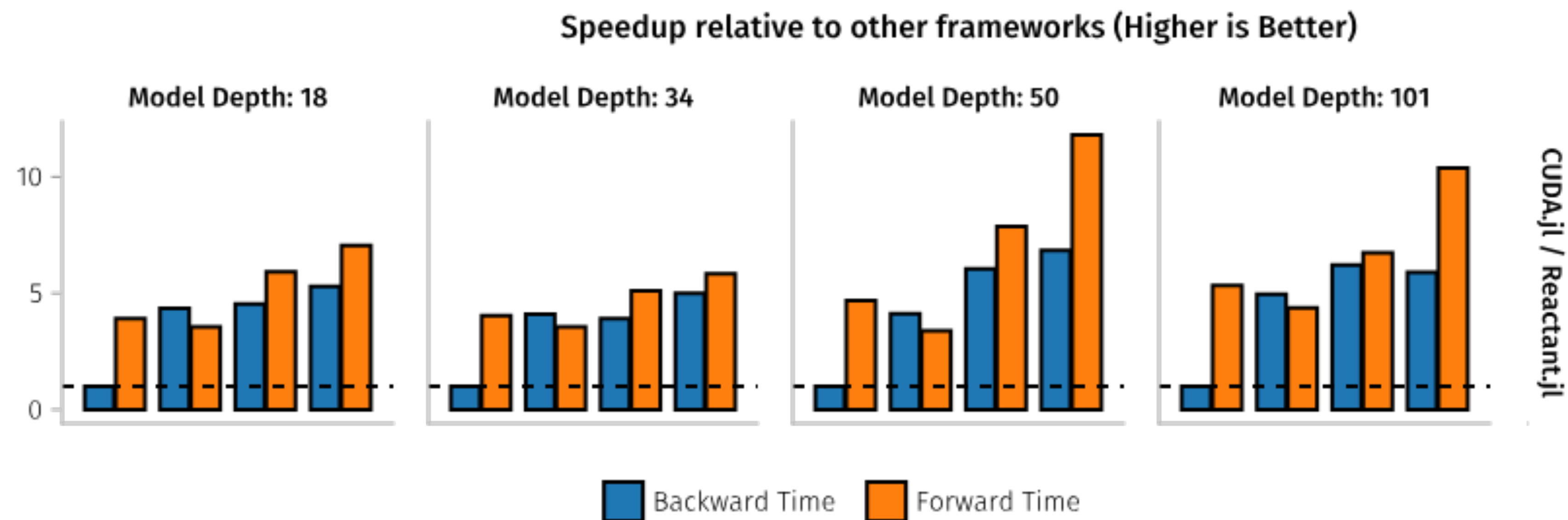


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Accelerating Machine Learning in Julia using Lux & Reactant ★

2025-07-25 11:30–12:00, Lawrence Room 107 - Method Room

This talk will explore the latest advancements and current state of Lux.jl, a deep-learning framework in Julia. We will a to use Reactant.jl, a powerful tool that compiles Julia code to MLIR and executes it across various backends using XLA, session will highlight how Reactant.jl and Lux.jl enable training neural networks in Julia at speeds comparable to popular frameworks like JAX and PyTorch.

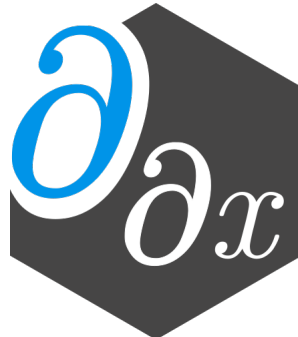
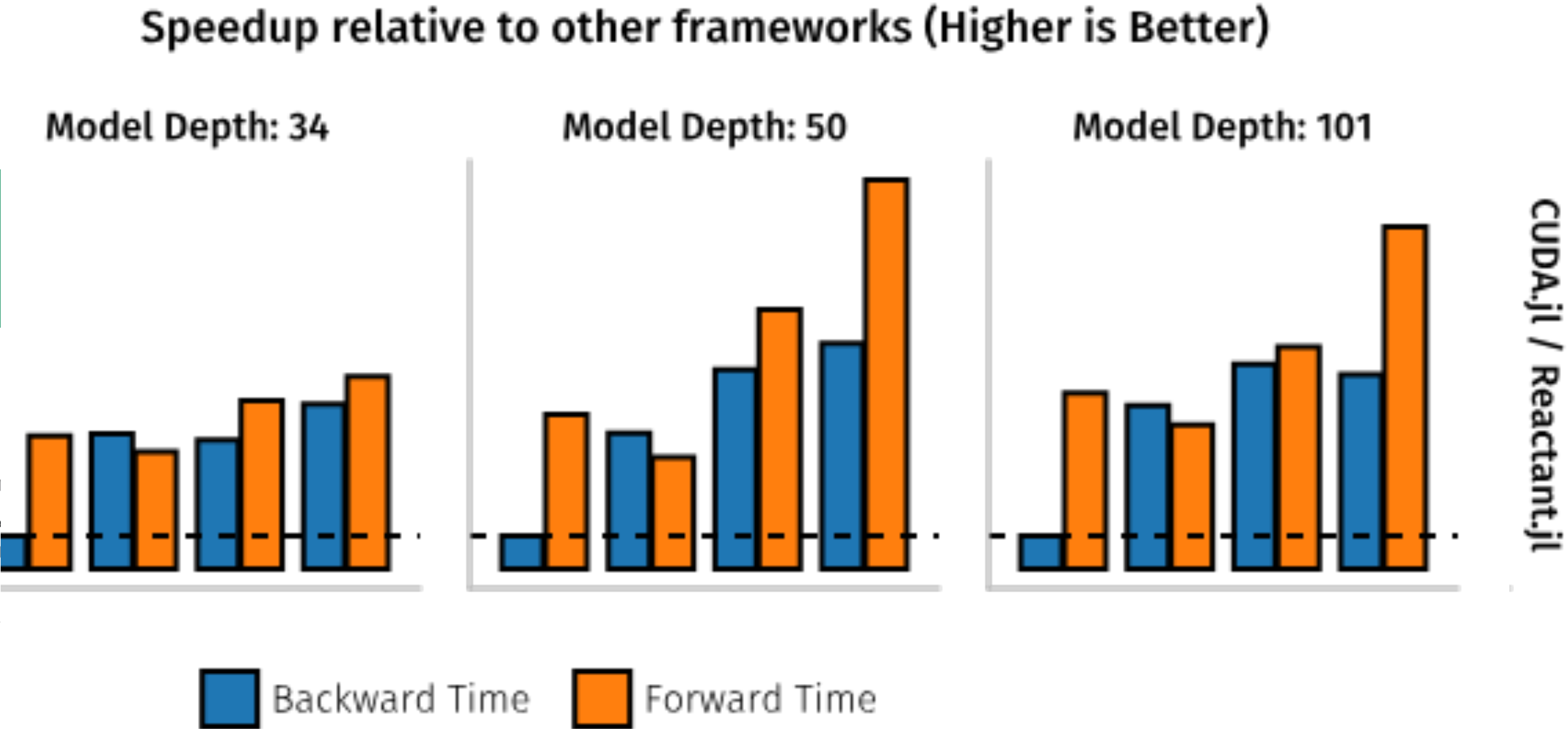
We will cover the following topics:

1. Compiling Lux models using Reactant and EnzymeJAX
2. Model-Parallel and Data-Parallel Training: Implement scalable training strategies in Lux.jl using Reactant.jl and OpenMP, distributing models and data across multiple devices.
3. Compiler Optimizations with Enzyme and JAX.
4. Debugging Performance with TensorBoard Profiler: Use TensorBoard Profiler to identify and resolve performance bottlenecks in training and inference pipelines.
5. Visualizing Models with Model Explorer: Explore and analyze neural network architectures interactively using Model Explorer for debugging and understanding.
6. Exporting Models to JAX and TensorFlow: Seamlessly export trained models from Lux.jl to JAX and TensorFlow for deployment in production environments.



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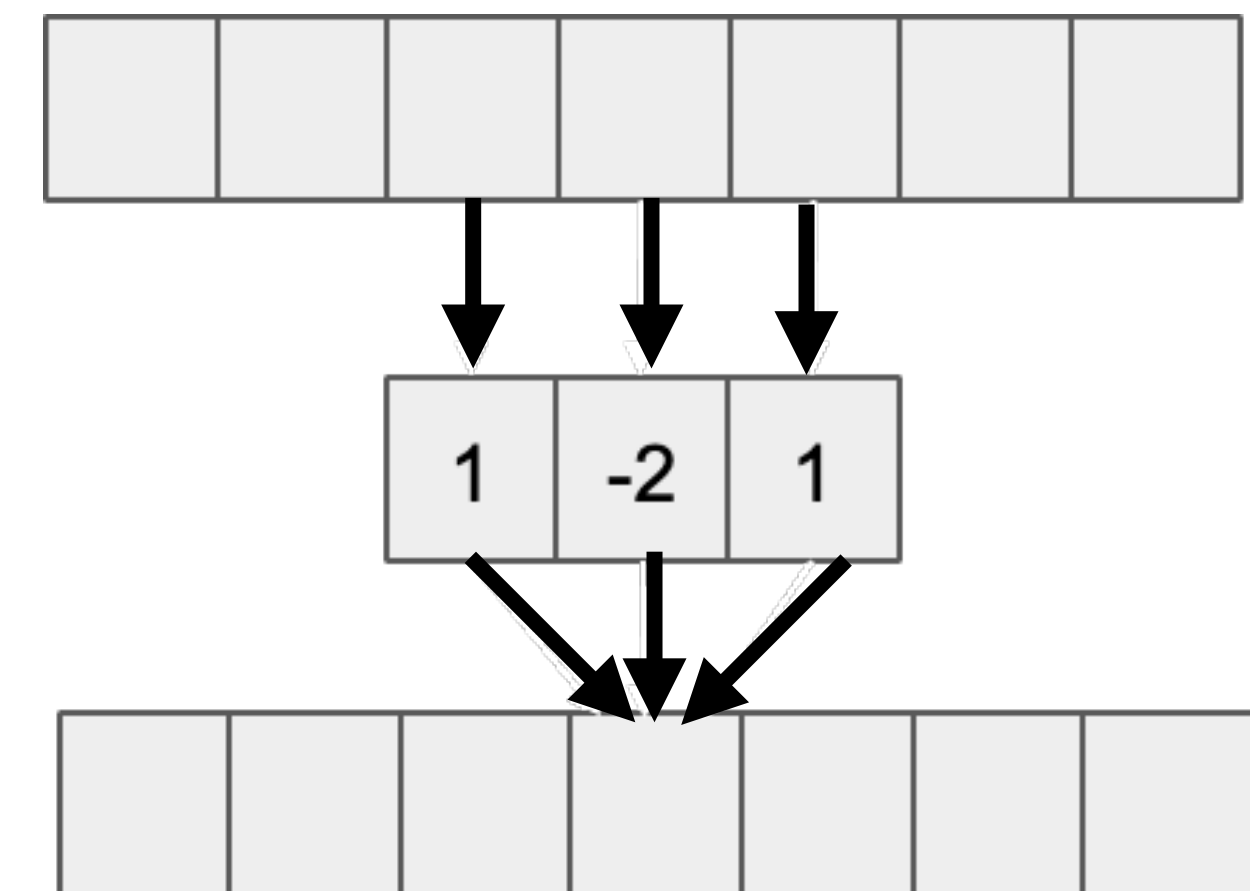


Accelerating Scientific Code: Raising Kernels to Convolutions

- Scientific codes (like state-of-the-art model, Oceananigans.jl) maintain hundreds of handwritten kernels, preventing them from using the advanced tensor capabilities of modern ML accelerators.
- Yet the core computations are often similar to ML (stencil kernel $\leftrightarrow$ convolution)

```
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        blockDim().x
    if i <= length(x) - 2
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    end
end

function model(...)
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end
```



Accelerating Scientific Code

- New framework for raising and optimizing the structure within existing kernels to tensor IR!
 - 1) Compile Kernels to LLVM
 - 2) Raise the underlying structure in MLIR
 - 3) Multi-dimensionalize it into tensor operators
 - 4) Optimize
- Compiled single-node CUDA version of Oceananigans.jl to execute on thousands of distributed TPUs and GPUs

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    %4 = add nuw nsw i32 %3, 1
    ...
    br i1 %.not, label %common.ret, label %L31
}
```

Raising

```
func.func @kernel(%y : memref<100xf64>, %x : memref<100xf64>) {
    affine.parallel %arg1 = 0 to 100 {
        %x1 = affine.load %x[%arg1]
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        ...
        affine.store %sum, %y[%arg1]
    }
}
```

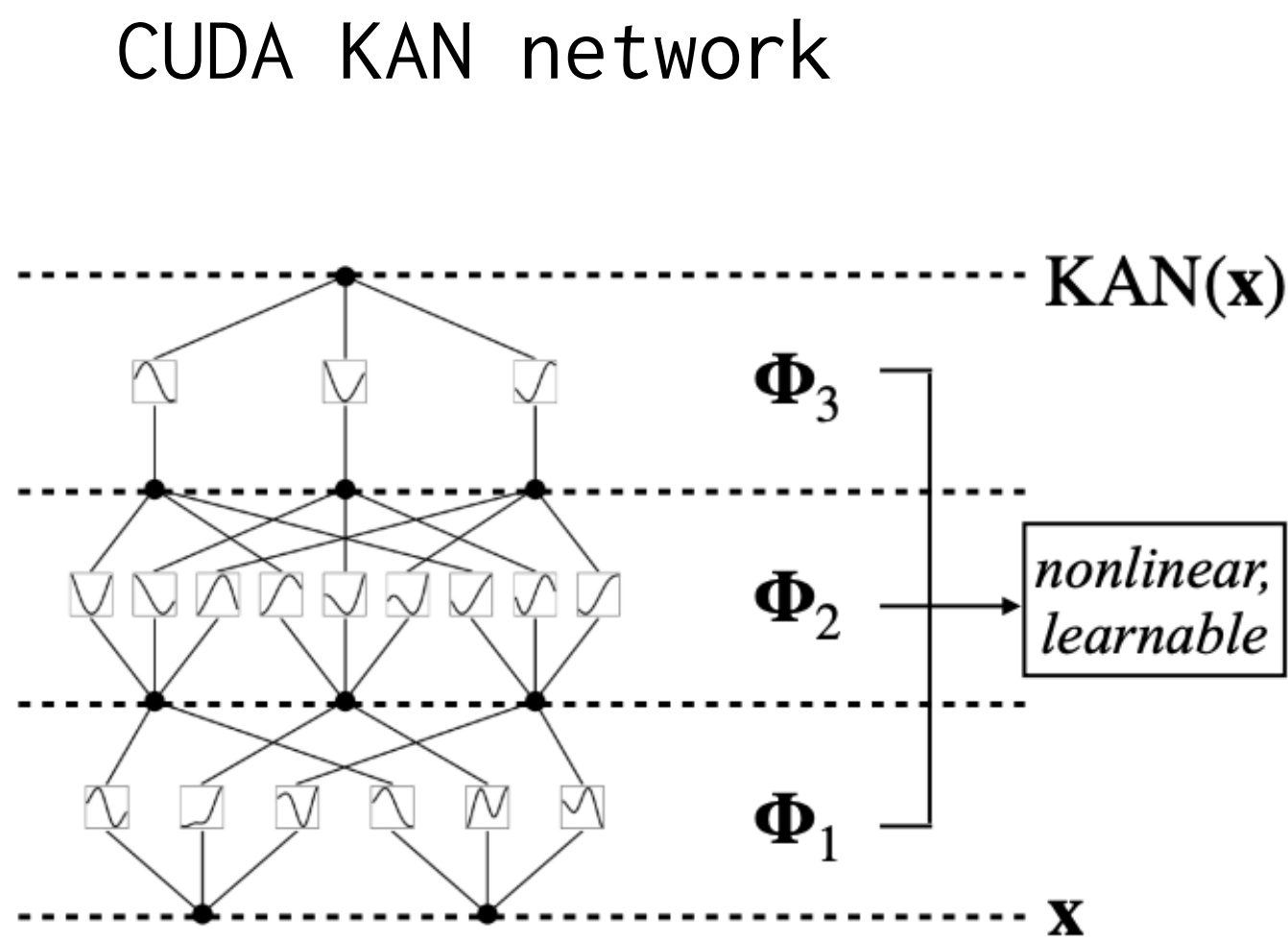
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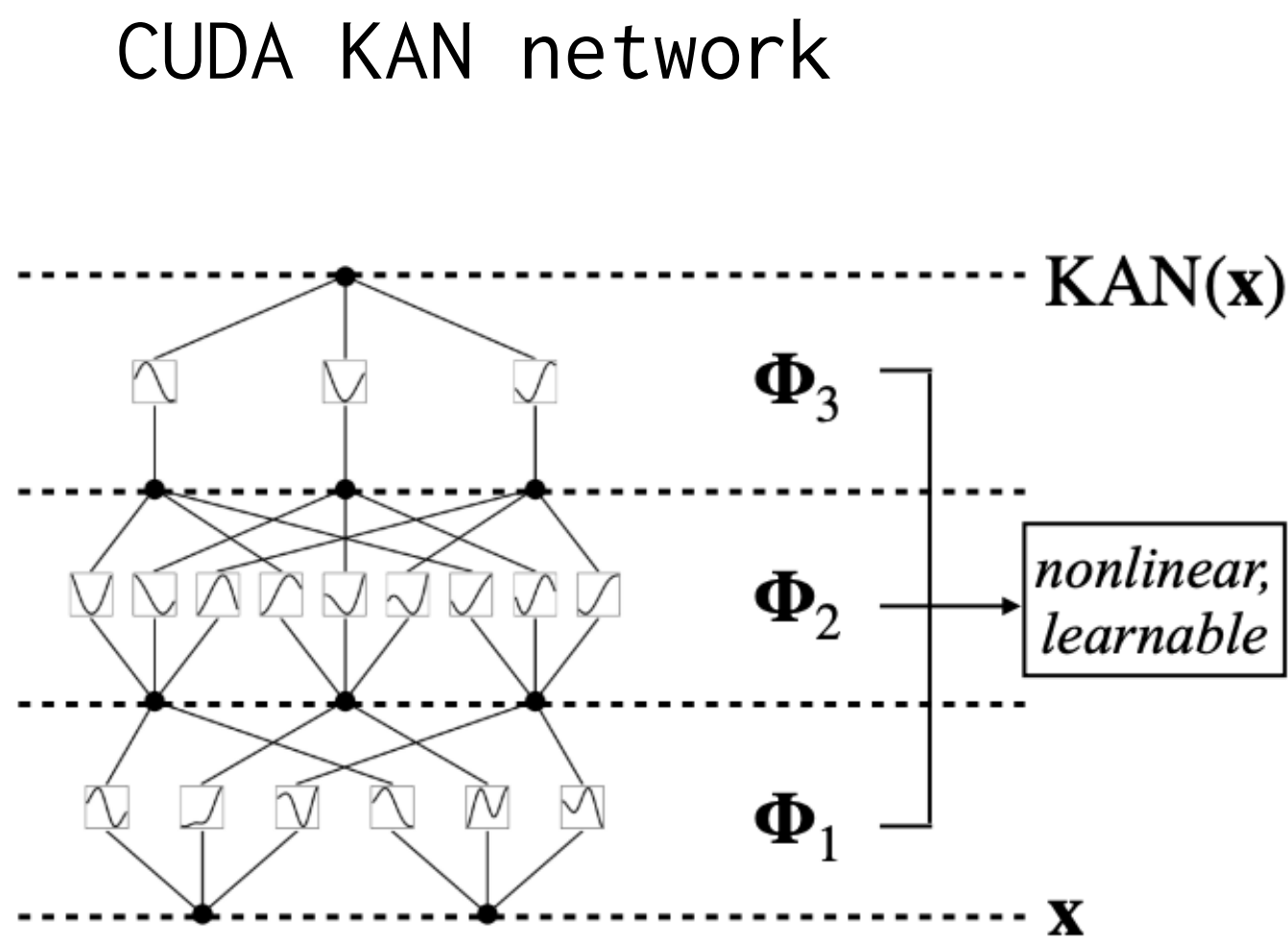
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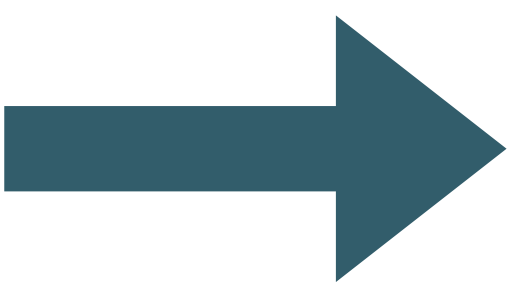
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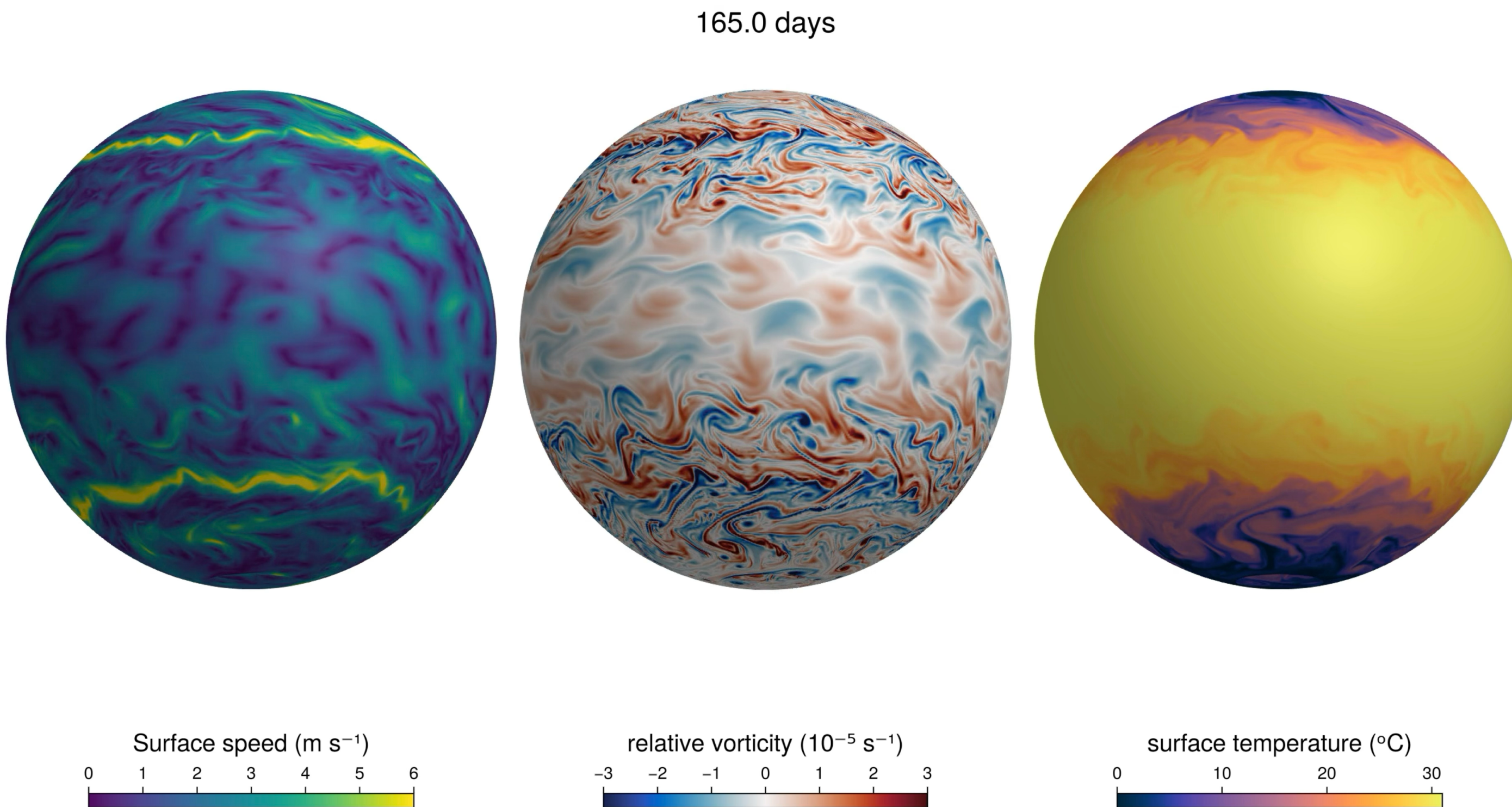
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Reactant.jl

- Optimizing Compiler Framework For Julia, built on top of MLIR
- Preserves high-level structures from Julia code into the compiler
 - Effectively optimize programs
 - Effectively retarget programs (allowing them to run on distributed clusters of your favorite accelerator, including CPU/GPU/TPU)
- Can leverage XLA (state of the art runtime, used by TensorFlow, JaX, & PyTorch)
- Compatible with mutation, control flow(*), autodiff (Enzyme)
- All open source ([GitHub.com/EnzymeAD/Reactant.jl](https://github.com/EnzymeAD/Reactant.jl))

