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STEM Degrees:

STEM Participants:

Major Goals: The following computer systems were purchased using the funding provided by DOD award # W911NF1810476

- 1 IBM POWER9 8335-GTH AC922 System with 4x NVIDIA V100 GPUs
- 1 Ace Powerworks GPU Server with 4x NVIDIA V100 GPUs
- 2 SuperMicro A+ 4023S-TRT Servers
- 1 SuperMicro SYS-2029TP-HTR Chassis with Four Compute Nodes
- 4 NVIDIA Jetson AGX Xavier Development Kits

These systems were integrated into the Euler Cluster, a heterogeneous supercomputer used by Negrut and collaborators at the University of Wisconsin – Madison in order to run large scale and high-performance simulations of multibody dynamics, computational fluid dynamics, and computer vision. These systems were selected because they provide modern CPU and GPU hardware accelerators for these types of simulations. They contain components which would otherwise not be available to these researchers, e.g., Tensor Core accelerated GPUs, the NVLink interconnect, IBM POWER, AMD EPYC, Intel Xeon Gold CPUs, and NVIDIA's embedded Arm CPU+GPU systems.

Additionally, several GPU devices and accessories were purchased in order to replace both obsolete and defective hardware already present in the Euler Cluster

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Lastly, the following server and components were purchased to supplement the storage infrastructure of the Euler Cluster.

- 1 SuperMicro SYS-6019U-TN4RT with NVMe Storage
- 36 Seagate enterprise hard drives

These components provide additional capacity and performance to enable the cluster to handle a more diverse simulation workload. It is of note that this specifically served to alleviate the critical levels of latency caused by the constant use of multiple-terabyte training datasets for machine learning research.

Accomplishments: Accomplishments listed under goals.

Training Opportunities: There was no training associated with this project.

Results Dissemination: There is no dissemination associated with this project.

Honors and Awards: Nothing to Report

Protocol Activity Status:

Technology Transfer: Nothing to Report

PARTICIPANTS:

Participant Type: PD/PI

Participant: Dan Negrut

Person Months Worked: 1.00

Project Contribution:

International Collaboration:

International Travel:

National Academy Member: N

Other Collaborators:

Funding Support:

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