



OpenSeesSP

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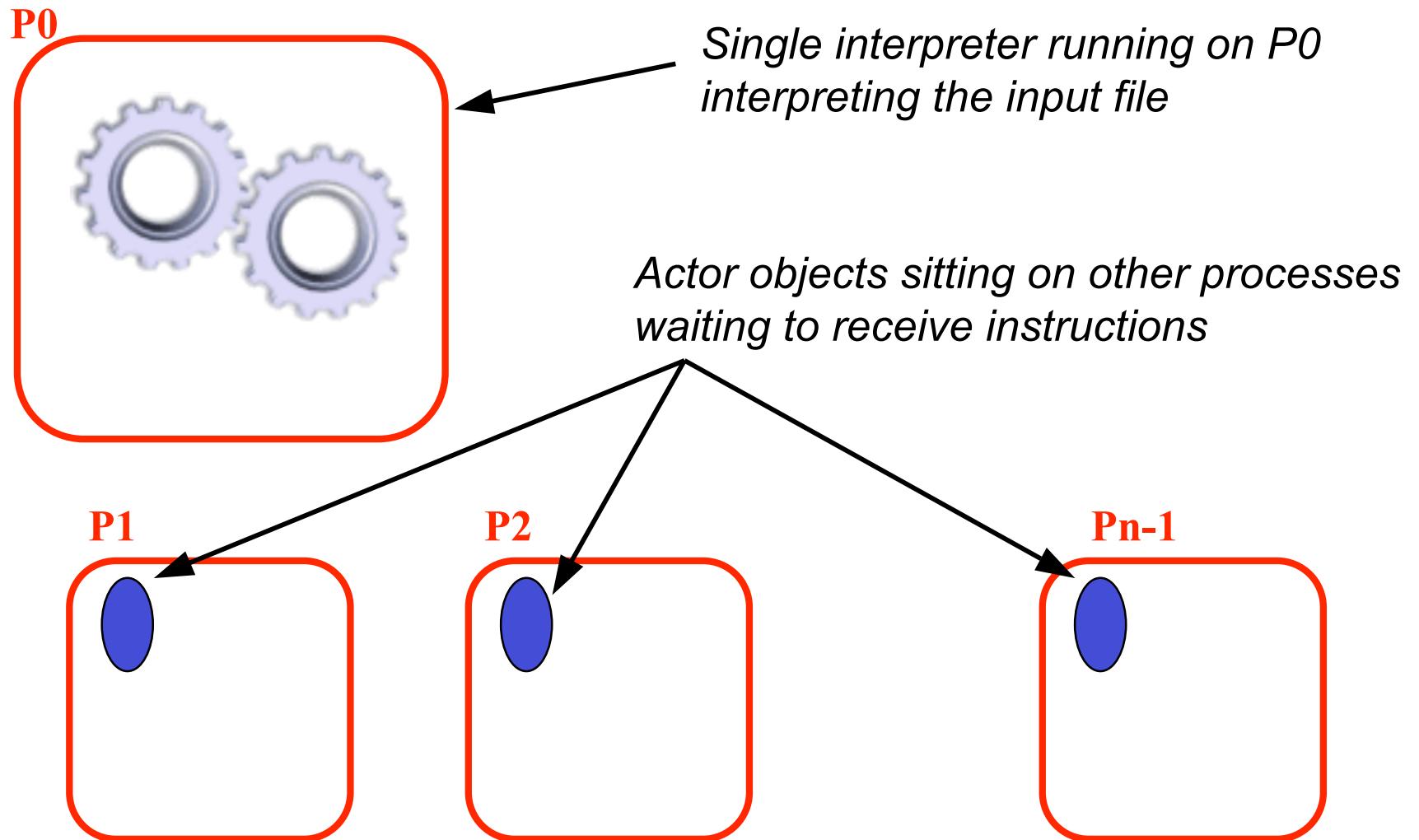
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OpenSeesSP

- Two OpenSees Interpreters have been created for users:
 1. OpenSeesSP
 2. OpenSeesMP
- OpenSeesSP was created for analyzing large models on parallel machines.
- OpenSeesSP was created with the 2 goals in mind:
 1. Minimal changes to input scripts (0 if possible!)
 2. Minimizing the required knowledge of parallel processing

What is running on the processors in OpenSeesSP



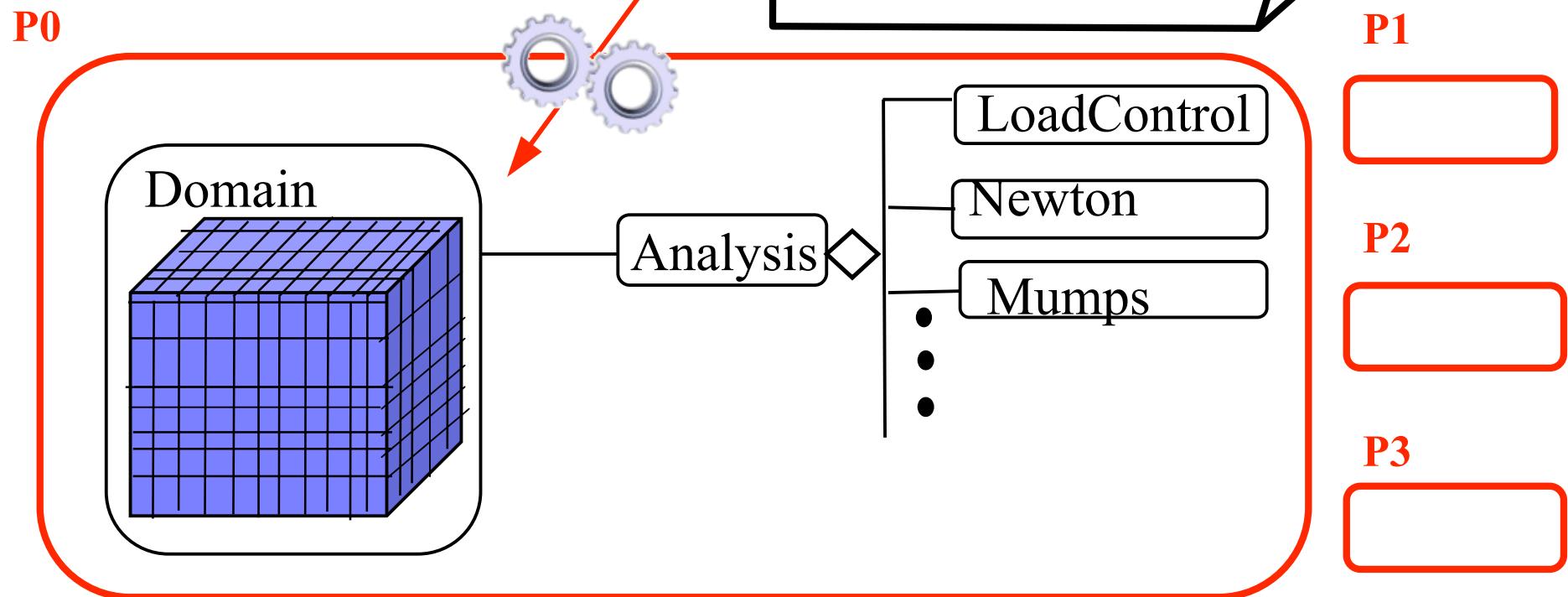
Model Built and Analysis

Constructed in P0

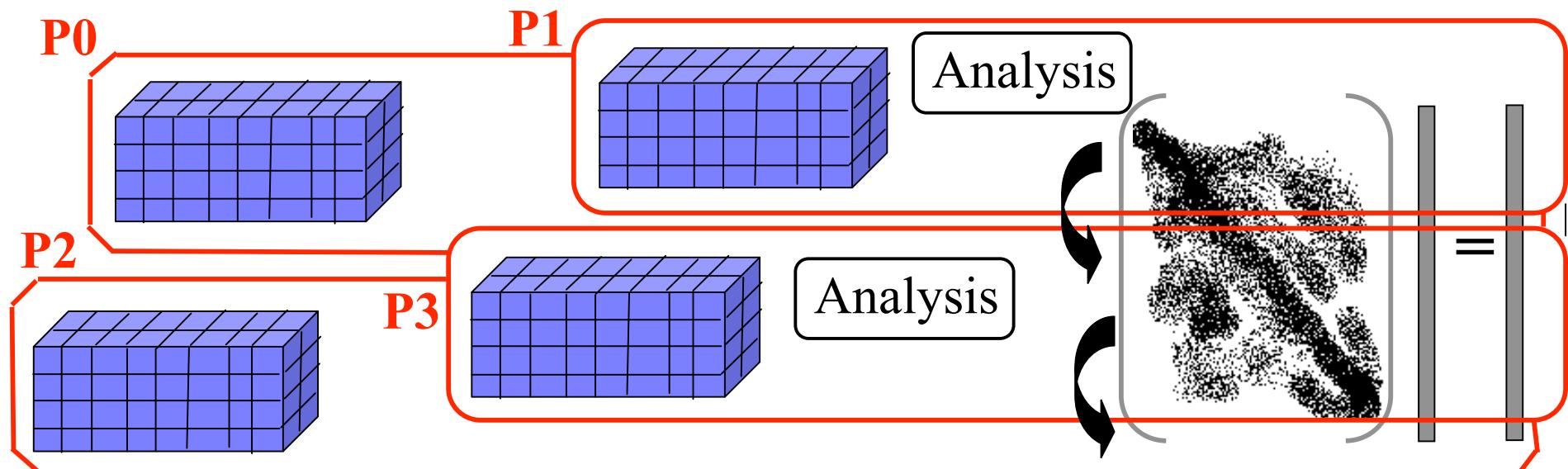
Single interpreter running on P0

Interpreting the input file

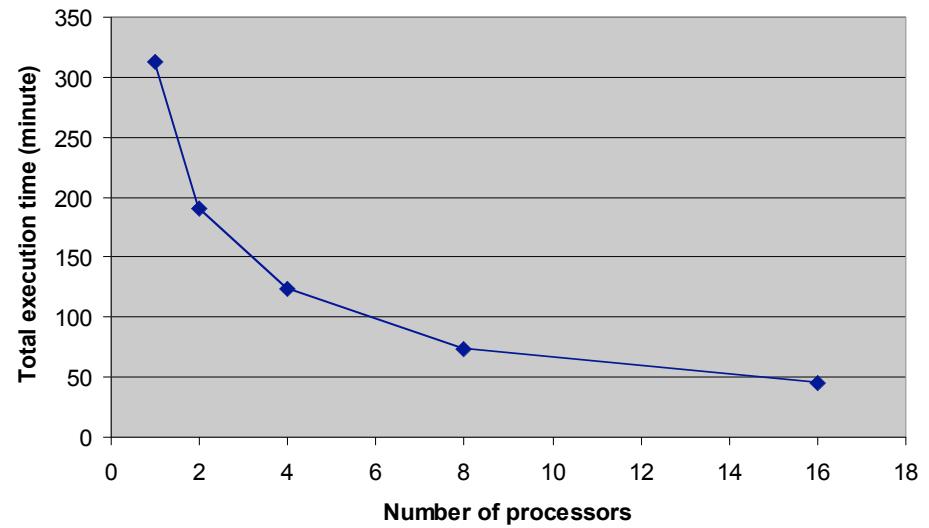
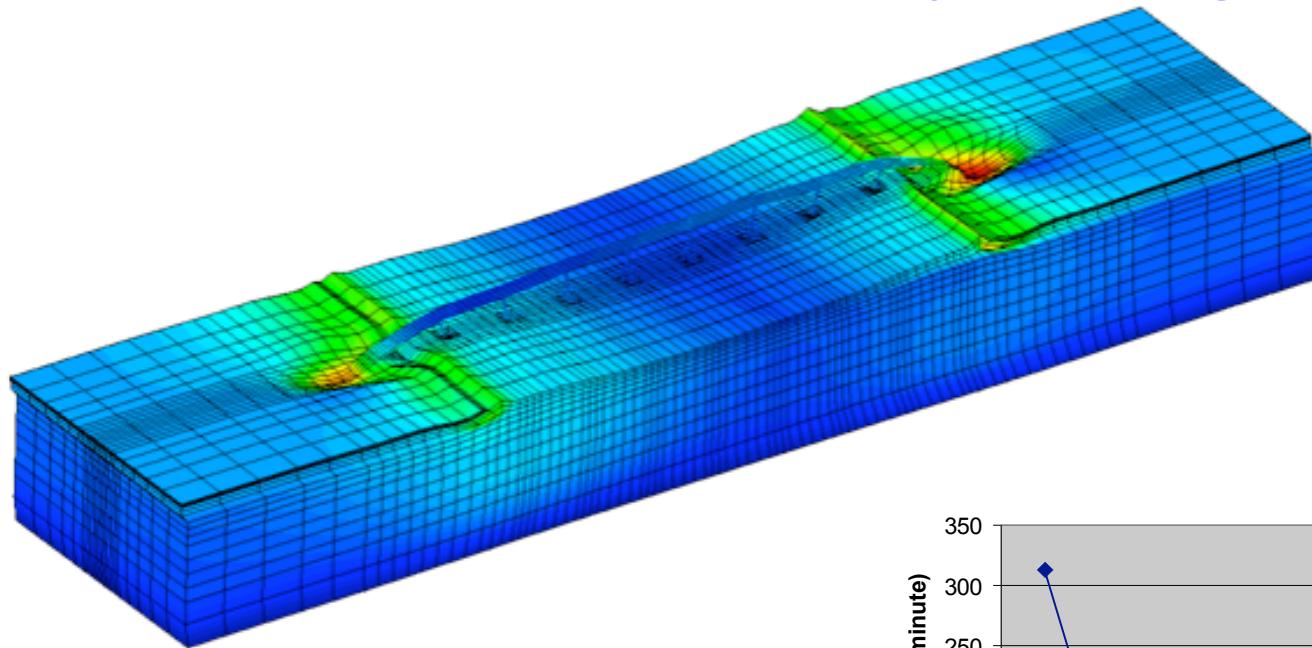
```
#build the model  
source model.tcl  
#build the analysis  
system Mumps  
constraints Transformation  
numberer Plain  
test NormDispIncr 1.0e-12 10 3  
algorithm Newton  
integrator LoadControl  
analysis Static
```



```
#build the model  
source modelP.tcl  
#build the analysis  
system Mumps  
constraints Transformation  
numberer Plain  
test NormDispIncr 1.0e-12 10 3  
algorithm Newton  
integrator LoadControl  
analysis Static  
analyze 10
```



Example Usage: Humboldt Bay Bridge Model



Modified Commands

- System command is modified to accept new parallel equation solvers
 - system mumps
 - system diagonal

WARNING The Output Files are Currently Different

- The output files generated by the recorders are different. The order of the data in the rows is not necessarily the same as that ouput from a sequential analysis
- Use the -xml flag instead of -file flag.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<OpenSees
  xmlns:xsi = "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation = "http://OpenSees.berkeley.edu/xml-schema/xmlns/OpenSees.xsd">

  <OpenSeesOutput>
    <TimeOutput>
      <ResponseType>time</ResponseType>
    </TimeOutput>

    <NodeOutput nodeTag="3" coord1="20.000000" coord2="0.000000" coord3="0.000000">
      <ResponseType>D1</ResponseType>
    </NodeOutput>

    <TimeOutput>
      <ResponseType>time</ResponseType>
    </TimeOutput>

    <NodeOutput nodeTag="3" coord1="20.000000" coord2="0.000000" coord3="0.000000">
      <ResponseType>D1</ResponseType>
    </NodeOutput>

  <Data>
    1.000000 0.028159      1.000000 0.028159
    2.000000 0.056318      2.000000 0.056318
    3.000000 0.084477      3.000000 0.084477
    4.000000 0.122962      4.000000 0.122962
    5.000000 0.276897      5.000000 0.276897
    6.000000 0.440276      6.000000 0.440276
    7.000000 0.607783      7.000000 0.607783
    8.000000 0.794601      8.000000 0.794601
    9.000000 1.013698      9.000000 1.013698
   10.000000 1.268579     10.000000 1.268579
   11.000000 1.528590     11.000000 1.528590
   12.000000 1.790070     12.000000 1.790070
   13.000000 2.069066     13.000000 2.069066
   14.000000 2.350606     14.000000 2.350606
```

ERROR - The eigen command does not currently work.

- The eigen command does not work after the first analyze command has been issued.
- For large problems it might not work even then due to memory demands on the system.

Scalability Issues

- This application does not scale well. Creating all the elements and nodes in a single processes address space will limit the size of the problem that can be analyzed using this interpreter.
- The second interpreter does not have this problem.

Documentation



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Using the OpenSees Interpreter on Parallel Computers

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Any Questions?