

Performance Measurement and Visualization on the Cray XT4

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The Cray Tools Strategy

- Must be **easy to use**
 - **Automatic** program instrumentation
 - no source code or makefile modification needed

- **Integrated** performance tools solution
 - Multiple platforms
 - Multiple functionality
 - Measurements of user functions, MPI, I/O, memory, & HW Counters

- Strategy based on the three main steps normally used for application optimization and tuning:
 - Debug application
 - Single processor optimization
 - Parallel processing and I/O optimization

- Close **interaction with user** for feedback targeting functionality enhancements

Cray Performance Analysis Infrastructure

■ CrayPat

- `pat_hwpc`:
 - Utility for hardware counters measurement of whole program
- `pat_build`: Utility for application instrumentation
 - No source code modification required
- `run-time library` for measurements
 - transparent to the user
- `pat_report`:
 - Performance reports
 - Performance visualization file
- `pat_help`

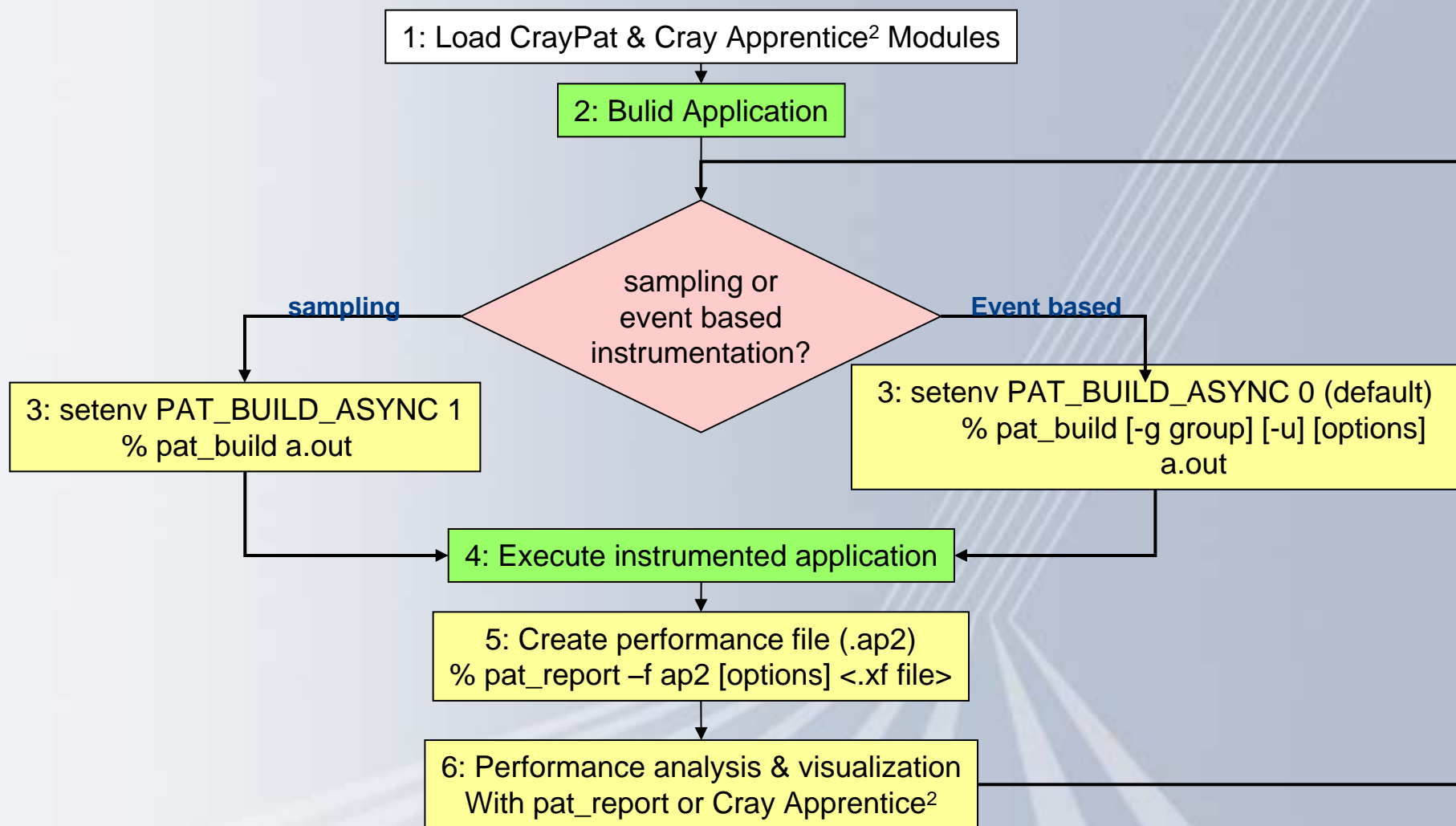
■ Cray Apprentice²

- Graphical performance analysis and visualization tool
- Can be used off-line on Linux system

Performance Data Collection

- Two dimensions
 - When performance collection is triggered
 - External agent (asynchronous)
 - Sampling
 - » Timer interrupt
 - » Hardware counters overflow
 - Internal agent (synchronous)
 - Code instrumentation
 - » Event based
 - » Automatic or manual instrumentation
 - How performance data is recorded
 - Profile ::= Summation of events over time
 - run time summarization (functions, call sites, loops, ...)
 - Trace file ::= Sequence of events over time

Performance Analysis with CrayPat & Cray Apprentice²



When Should I Use Sampling?

- Sampling is useful to determine where (functions and lines) the program spends most of its time
- The environment variable **PAT_RT_EXPERIMENT** allows the specification of the type of experiment prior to execution
 - **samp_pc_prof** (default)
 - Samples the PC by time
 - This option has the lowest sampling overhead
 - Does not allow collection of hardware counters
 - **samp_pc_time**
 - Samples the PC at intervals specified in microseconds with **PAT_RT_INTERVAL**
 - The default interval is 10,000 microseconds.
 - Optionally record the values of hardware counters specified with **PAT_RT_HWPC**
 - **samp_cs_time**
 - collect call stack, which is useful when generating reports
 - Does not allow collection of hardware counters

Why Should I generate an “.ap2” file?

- The “.ap2” file is a self contained compressed performance file
 - Normally it is about 5 times smaller than the “.xf” file
 - Contains the information needed from the application binary
 - Can be reused, even if the application binary is no longer available or if it was rebuilt
 - It is the only input format accepted by Cray Apprentice²

Application Instrumentation with pat_build

- **No** source code or makefile **modification** required
 - **Automatic instrumentation** at group (function) level
 - Groups: mpi, io, heap, user function (-u), main (-w) ...
 - API provided for instrumentation at a finer granularity
- Performs binary rewrite
 - Relink application
 - Requires object files
 - Generates a stand alone instrumented program
 - Supports **sampling** and **event based** instrumentation
 - Selection with environment variable (PAT_BUILD_ASYNC)
 - Default is event based
- Runtime environment variable defines if profile or trace file will be generated
 - PAT_RT_SUMMARY
 - Default is 1 (for runtime summarization)

Function Selection

- By default “-u” instrument all user functions.
- “-T” and “-t” flags can be used to select a subset of functions
 - “-T funcList”: instruments program to trace the function entry point references in “funcList”
 - This option may requires “-w” (instrument main)
 - The exclamation point (“!”) indicates negation. Functions in “funcList” preceded by “!” are not traced
 - This option can be used to exclude both user-defined functions and functions that are part of “-g” groups
 - Examples:
 - Instrument only user functions “f1” and “f2”
 - » pat_build -w -T f1,f2
 - Instrument all user functions, with the exception of “f1” and “f2”
 - » pat_build -u -T !f1,!f2
 - “-t <filename>”: Instrument program to trace all function entry point references listed in the <filename>

CrayPat API

- CrayPat performs **automatic instrumentation** at function level
- The CrayPat API can be used for **fine grain instrumentation**
 - Fortran
 - call **PAT_region_begin**(id, "label", ierr)
 - DO Work
 - call **PAT_region_end**(id, ierr)
 - C
 - include <pat_api.h>
 - ...
 - ierr = **PAT_region_begin**(id, "label");
 - DO_Work();
 - ierr = **PAT_region_end**(id);

Runtime Environment Variables

- The following runtime environment variables affect how the data is collected:
 - **PAT_RT_EXPFIL_PER_PROCESS**
 - If it is not set or set to zero, a single experiment data file is created
 - **PAT_RT_SUMMARY**
 - Enables run-time summarization
 - Includes the aggregation of data during run-time
 - Runtime summarization is enabled by default
 - **PAT_RT_HWPC <groups #>**
 - Activate collection of hardware performance counters
 - There are 10 groups on the XT

pat_report Options

- Reformating the performance file (Cray Apprentice² input)
 - `pat_report [-V] [-i dir|instrprog] [-o output_file]`
`-f ap2 |txt |xml data_directory | data_file.xf`
- Generating performance reports
 - `pat_report [-V] [-i dir|instrprog] [-o output_file]`
`[-O keyword] [-b b-opts] [-d d-opts] [-s key=value] [-P] [-T]`
`data_directory | data_file.xf | data_file.ap2`
- Main options:
 - `-i` is only if the instrumented program has a different name or is in a different directory path than when it was executed
 - **`-O` provides shortcuts for common reports**
 - `-b`, `-d`, `-s` can be used to further customize the report

Pat_report Output

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CrayPat/X:  Version 3.2 Revision 926 (xf 860)  07/16/07 08:31:54
Experiment:  trace
Experiment data file:
  /lus/nid00008/ldr/Apps/sweep3d/sweep3d+pat+51td.xf  (RTS)
Current path to data file:
  /lus/nid00008/ldr/Apps/sweep3d/sweep3d+pat+51td.ap2  (RTS)
Original program:  /lus/nid00008/ldr/Apps/sweep3d/sweep3d
Instrumented with:  pat_build -f -u -g mpi,io,heap sweep3d
Instrumented program:  /lus/nid00008/ldr/Apps/sweep3d/./sweep3d+pat
Program invocation:  ./sweep3d+pat
Number of PEs:  48
Exit Status:  0  PEs:  0-47

Runtime environment variables:
MPICHBASEDIR=/opt/xt-mpt/1.5.57/mpich2-64
MPICH_DIR=/opt/xt-mpt/1.5.57/mpich2-64/P2
MPICH_DIR_FTN_DEFAULT64=/opt/xt-mpt/1.5.57/mpich2-64/P2W

Report time environment variables:
PAT_ROOT=/opt/xt-tools/craypat/3.2.3/cpatx

Report command line options:  <none>

System name, type, and speed:  guppy1 x86_64  2400 MHz
Operating system:  catamount 1.0 2.0

Estimated minimum overhead per call of a traced function,
which was subtracted from the data shown in this report
(for raw data, use the option:  -s overhead=include):
Time      0.646  microseconds

Number of traced functions: 161
. . .

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List of instrumented functions is available when the flag: **-s traced_functions=show** is set on pat_report.

Sampling Output (Default table)

Notes for table 1:

Table option:

-O samp_prof

Options implied by table option:

-d sa%@0.05,cum_sa%,sa,imb_sa,imb_sa% -b fu,pe=HIDE

This table shows only lines with Samp% > 0.05.

Percentages at each level are relative

(for absolute percentages, specify: -s percent=a).

Table 1: Profile by Function

Samp %	Cum. Samp %	Samp	Imb. Samp	Imb. Samp %	Function PE='HIDE'
100.0%	100.0%	22387	--	--	Total
66.1%	66.1%	14790	9.88	3.2%	sweep_
15.4%	81.5%	3454	12.04	14.6%	PtlEQPeek
4.7%	86.2%	1045	11.23	34.8%	PtlEQGet
3.1%	89.2%	686	10.71	43.7%	PtlEQGet_internal
2.3%	91.5%	519	7.19	40.8%	__c_mcopy8
2.1%	93.6%	462	11.38	55.3%	ptl_hndl2nal
1.5%	95.1%	339	5.94	46.6%	check_eqs_for_event
1.1%	96.2%	238	2.04	29.8%	source_
1.0%	97.2%	219	6.44	59.8%	poll
0.7%	97.8%	151	4.85	62.0%	lock
0.7%	98.5%	150	3.88	56.5%	unlock
0.3%	98.8%	71	2.52	64.4%	__c_mzero8
0.2%	99.0%	47	3.02	77.1%	_P3_getmsg
0.2%	99.2%	42	3.12	79.8%	memcpy
0.1%	99.4%	33	2.31	78.7%	flux_err_
0.1%	99.5%	32	3.33	85.1%	control_message_in
0.1%	99.6%	19	1.60	81.9%	memset

Sampling Output (with samp_cs_time & -O ct+src)

Notes for table 1:

Table option:

-O calltree+src

Options implied by table option:

-d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr -b ct,pe=HIDE -s show_ca='fu,so,li' \

-s source_limit='1'

This table shows only lines with Samp% > 0.05.

Percentages at each level are relative

(for absolute percentages, specify: -s percent=a).

Table 1: Calltree View with Callsite Line Numbers

Samp %	Cum. Samp %	Samp	Calltree PE='HIDE'
100.0%	100.0%	22359	Total
96.5%	96.5%	21575	main:...:line.0
99.8%	99.8%	21536	MAIN:driver.f:line.174 inner_auto:inner_auto.f:line.69
98.6%	98.6%	21226	inner:inner.f:line.102
18.8%	18.8%	3995	sweep:sweep.f:line.237 rcv_real:mpi_stuff.f:line.167 mpi_rcv:...:line.0
98.9%	98.9%	3953	PtlEQPoll:api-eq.c:line.154
96.0%	96.0%	3794	poll:qkapi.c:line.86
94.5%	94.5%	3587	check_eqs_for_event:api-eq.c:line.169
76.7%	76.7%	2750	PtlEQGet:api-eq.c:line.120
87.6%	87.6%	2409	PtlEQGet_internal:api-eq.c:line.87
72.4%	72.4%	1745	PtlEQPeek:internal.h:line.55
7.8%	80.2%	187	PtlEQPeek:pool.h:line.62
3.2%	83.4%	76	PtlEQPeek:api-eq.c:line.57
2.2%	85.5%	52	PtlEQPeek:api-eq.c:line.50

Table 1: Flat Profile (Default)

Notes for table 1:

High level option: `-O profile`

Low level options: `-d ti%@0.05,ti,imb_ti,imb_ti%,tr \`
`-b exp,gr,fu,pe=HIDE`

This table shows only lines with `Time% > 0.05`.

Percentages at each level are relative
 (for absolute percentages, specify: `-s percent=a`).

By default, the report will only show functions with at least 0.05% of the time

Table 1: Profile by Function Group and Function

Time %	Time	Imb. Time	Imb. Time %	Calls	Group Function PE='HIDE'
100.0%	4.609555	--	--	11947	Total
72.5%	3.340820	--	--	5112	USER
97.8%	3.267208	0.045394	1.4%	12	sweep_
1.5%	0.049875	0.000763	1.5%	12	source_
0.3%	0.009005	0.000226	2.5%	12	flux_err_
0.2%	0.007557	0.000917	11.0%	2460	snd_real_
0.1%	0.003155	0.000552	15.2%	2460	rcv_real_

Table 1: Flat Profile (Continuation)

22.9%	1.053745	--	--	4963	MPI
94.2%	0.992757	0.287228	22.9%	2460	mpi_recv_
5.6%	0.058613	0.010351	15.3%	2460	mpi_send_
0.2%	0.002107	0.000663	24.5%	32	mpi_allreduce_
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4.5%	0.205414	--	--	39	MPI_SYNC

81.5%	0.167507	0.183974	53.5%	32	mpi_allreduce_(sync)
13.7%	0.028122	0.000784	2.8%	3	mpi_barrier_(sync)
4.8%	0.009785	0.000263	2.7%	4	mpi_bcast_(sync)
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0.1%	0.004985	--	--	1825	HEAP

58.2%	0.002901	0.001326	32.0%	914	malloc
38.4%	0.001914	0.000685	26.9%	910	free
3.4%	0.000169	0.000001	0.7%	1	calloc
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0.1%	0.004591	--	--	8	IO

89.3%	0.004098	0.036538	91.8%	6	fwrite
7.2%	0.000331	0.015561	100.0%	0	fputc
3.2%	0.000149	0.007006	100.0%	1	getc
0.2%	0.000009	0.000400	100.0%	0	fopen
0.1%	0.000003	0.000156	100.0%	0	fclose
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Table 2: Load Balance

Notes for table 2:

High level option: -O load_balance_sm
 Low level options: -d ti%@0.05,ti,sc,sm,sz -b gr,pe=[mmm]

Table 2: Load Balance with MPI Sent Message Stats

Time %	Time	Sent Msg Count	Sent Msg Total Bytes	Avg Sent Msg Size	Group PE[mmm]
100.0%	4.617618	2460	25920000	10536.59	Total
72.4%	3.344121	--	--	--	USER
2.1%	3.391748	--	--	--	pe.31
2.1%	3.376433	--	--	--	pe.34
2.0%	3.233403	--	--	--	pe.43
22.9%	1.056950	2460	25920000	10536.59	MPI
2.6%	1.321445	1440	14860800	10320.00	pe.47
2.0%	1.034243	2880	30412800	10560.00	pe.21
1.6%	0.835843	1440	15206400	10560.00	pe.0
4.4%	0.205439	--	--	--	MPI_SYNC
3.6%	0.358704	--	--	--	pe.6
2.1%	0.205843	--	--	--	pe.26
0.4%	0.041313	--	--	--	pe.47
0.1%	0.006163	--	--	--	HEAP
3.0%	0.008870	--	--	--	pe.36
2.0%	0.005901	--	--	--	pe.27
1.5%	0.004345	--	--	--	pe.10
0.1%	0.004597	--	--	--	IO
29.2%	0.064487	--	--	--	pe.0
1.5%	0.003319	--	--	--	pe.9
0.8%	0.001690	--	--	--	pe.21

Table 3: MPI Send Stats by Bucket

Notes for table 3:

Table option:

-O mpi_callers

Options implied by table option:

-d sm,sc@,mb1..7 -b fu,ca,pe=[mmm]

Options for related tables not shown by default:

-O mpi_dest_bytes

-O mpi_dest_counts

This table shows only lines with Sent Msg Count > 0.

Table 3: MPI Sent Message Stats by Caller

	Sent Msg Total Bytes	Sent Msg Count	4KB<= MsgSz <64KB Count	Function Caller PE[mmm]
	25920000	2460	2460	Total
3	25920000	2460	2460	mpi_send
4				snd_real_
5				sweep_
6				inner_
7				inner_auto_
				MAIN_
				main
8		30412800	2880	pe.33
8		23846400	2160	pe.17
8		14860800	1440	pe.47

Table 4: Heap Usage

Notes for table 4:

Table option:

-O heap_program

Options implied by table option:

-d IU,IF,NF,FM -b pe=[mmm]

Table 4: **Heap Usage at Start and End of Main Program**

MB Heap Used at Start	MB Heap Free at Start	Heap Not Freed MB	Max Free Object at End	PE[mmm]
99.699	3872.301	1.042	3871.233	Total
99.728	3872.272	1.076	3870.062	pe.0
99.698	3872.302	1.041	3871.257	pe.39
99.697	3872.303	1.041	3871.259	pe.19

Table 5: Heap Statistics

Notes for table 5:

Table option:

-O heap_hiwater

Options implied by table option:

-d am@,ub,ta,ua,tf,nf,ac,ab -b pe=[mmm]

This table shows only lines with Tracked Heap HiWater MBytes > 0.

Table 5: **Heap Stats during Main Program**

Tracked Heap HiWater MBytes	Total Allocs	Total Frees	Tracked Objects Not Freed	Tracked MBytes Not Freed	PE[mmm]
9.794	915	910	4	1.011	Total
9.943	1170	1103	68	1.046	pe.0
9.909	715	712	3	1.010	pe.22
9.446	1278	1275	3	1.010	pe.43

Table 6: Heap Leaks

Notes for table 6:

Table option:

-O heap_leaks

Options implied by table option:

-d lb%@1,lb@0.0005,lc -b ca,pe=[mmm]

This table shows only lines with:

Tracked MBytes Not Freed% > 1

Tracked MBytes Not Freed > 0.0005

Percentages at each level are relative

(for absolute percentages, specify: -s percent=a).

Table 6: **Heap Leaks during Main Program**

Tracked MBytes Not Freed %	Tracked MBytes Not Freed	Tracked Objects Not Freed	Caller PE[mmm]
100.0%	1.011	3	Total
99.0%	1.000	1	allhdr MAIN_ main
4	2.1%	1.000	1 pe.33
4	2.1%	1.000	1 pe.22
4	2.1%	1.000	1 pe.5

Table 7: I/O (Read) Statistics

Notes for table 7:

Table option:

-O read_stats

Options implied by table option:

-d rt,rb,rR,rd@,rC -b fi,pe=[mmm],fd

This table shows only lines with Reads > 0.

Table 7: **File Input Stats by Filename**

Read Time	Read MB	Read Rate MB/sec	Reads	Read B/Call	File Name PE[mmm] File Desc
0.000	0.000065	124.611408	1	68.00	Total
0.000	0.000065	124.611408	1	68.00	input
0.000	0.000065	2.596288	68	1.00	pe.0 fd.6
0.000	--	--	--	--	pe.22
0.000	--	--	--	--	pe.5

Table 8: I/O (Write) Statistics

Notes for table 8:

Table option:

-O write_stats

Options implied by table option:

-d wt,wb,wR,wr@,wC -b fi,pe=[mmm],fd

This table shows only lines with Writes > 0.

Table 8: **File Output Stats by Filename**

Write Time	Write MB	Write Rate MB/sec	Writes	Write B/Call	File Name PE[mmm] File Desc
0.000	0.002596	653.125440	7	388.86	Total
0.000	0.002001	573.708592	6	349.67	stdout
0.000	0.002001	11.952411	269	7.80	pe.0 fd.1
0.000	--	--	--	--	pe.22
0.000	--	--	--	--	pe.5
0.000	0.000595	1221.747354	1	624.00	stderr
0.000	0.000012	21.750467	1	13.00	pe.45 fd.2
0.000	0.000012	25.067092	1	13.00	pe.1 fd.2
0.000	0.000012	49.262647	1	13.00	pe.0 fd.2

Table 9: Wall Clock Time

Notes for table 9:

Table option:

-O program_time

Options implied by table option:

-d pt -b pe=[mmm]

Table 9: Program Wall Clock Time

Process Time	PE[mmm]
5.814715	Total
5.979116	pe.0
5.811115	pe.9
5.650106	pe.21

Call Tree Profile (Top Down)

Notes for table 1:

High level option: -O calltree
 Low level options: -d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr -b exp,ct,pe=HIDE

This table shows only lines with Time% > 0.05.

Percentages at each level are relative
 (for absolute percentages, specify: -s percent=a).

Table 1: **Function Calltree View**

Time %	Cum. Time %	Time	Calls	Experiment=1 Calltree PE='HIDE'
100.0%	100.0%	90.217759	637231917	Total
100.0%	100.0%	90.175202	637205576	MAIN_
99.7%	99.7%	89.922750	637194666	runhyd_
15.4%	15.4%	13.864217	106169040	zysweep_
87.3%	87.3%	12.097038	106168320	sppm2_
49.4%	49.4%	5.980766	11796480	sppm2_(exclusive)
24.1%	73.6%	2.920440	11796480	difuze_
19.0%	92.6%	2.296747	58982400	interf_
7.4%	100.0%	0.899084	23592960	dintrf_
12.7%	100.0%	1.767180	720	zysweep_(exclusive)
15.4%	30.8%	13.854807	106169040	xysweep_
87.0%	87.0%	12.049373	106168320	sppm2_
49.5%	49.5%	5.970403	11796480	sppm2_(exclusive)
24.0%	73.6%	2.894189	11796480	difuze_

Callers Profile (Bottom Up)

Notes for table 1:

High level option: -O callers

Low level options: -d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr -b exp,gr,fu,ca,pe=HIDE

This table shows only lines with Time% > 0.05.

Table 1: Profile by Function and Callers

Time %	Cum. Time %	Time	Calls	Experiment=1 Group Function Caller PE='HIDE'
100.0%	100.0%	90.217759	637231917	Total

92.3%	92.3%	83.265853	637033288	USER

43.1%	43.1%	35.864107	70778880	sppm2_

16.7%	16.7%	5.986173	11796480	yx sweep_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
16.7%	33.4%	5.980851	11796480	yz sweep_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
16.7%	50.0%	5.980766	11796480	zysweep_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
16.7%	66.7%	5.973496	11796480	zzsweep_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
16.7%	83.4%	5.972417	11796480	xxsweep_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
16.6%	100.0%	5.970403	11796480	xysweep_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_

21.0%	64.0%	17.447719	70778880	difuze_
				sppm2_

Callers Profile – MPI (Cont.)

7.7%	99.9%	6.906194	106344	MPI
70.2%	70.2%	4.851312	51840	mpi_wait_
41.2%	41.2%	1.997854	17280	zbdrys_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
34.3%	75.5%	1.664276	17280	ybdrys_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
24.5%	100.0%	1.189183	17280	xbdrys_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
29.7%	99.9%	2.048254	2232	mpi_allreduce_
96.6%	96.6%	1.978537	720	glblmax_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
3.4%	100.0%	0.069717	1512	glbldsum_
98.5%	98.5%	0.068700	792	trace_
				MAIN_
1.5%	100.0%	0.001017	720	runhyd_
				MAIN_
0.1%	100.0%	0.004263	25920	mpi_isend_
33.7%	33.7%	0.001436	8640	xbdrys_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
33.2%	66.9%	0.001416	8640	zbdrys_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_
33.1%	100.0%	0.001410	8640	ybdrys_
				runhyd_
				MAIN_

Callers Profile with Line Numbers

Notes for table 1:

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High level option: -O callers+src
Low level options: -d ti%@0.05,cum ti%,ti,tr \
-b exp,gr,fu,ca,pe=HIDE -s show_ca='fu,so,li' \
-s source_limit='1'
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This table shows only lines with Time% > 0.05.

Percentages at each level are relative
(for absolute percentages, specify: -s percent=a).

Table 1: Profile by Function and Callers, with Line Numbers

Time %	Cum. Time %	Time	Calls	Experiment=1 Group Function Caller PE='HIDE'
100.0%	100.0%	90.217759	637231917	Total
92.3%	92.3%	83.265853	637033288	USER
43.1%	43.1%	35.864107	70778880	sppm2_
16.7%	16.7%	5.986173	11796480	yxswEEP_ :sweeps.F:line.1400 runhyd_ :main.F:line.1080 MAIN_ :main.F:line.226
16.7%	33.4%	5.980851	11796480	yzswEEP_ :sweeps.F:line.518 runhyd_ :main.F:line.1056 MAIN_ :main.F:line.226
16.7%	50.0%	5.980766	11796480	zyswEEP_ :sweeps.F:line.1106 runhyd_ :main.F:line.1072 MAIN_ :main.F:line.226
16.7%	66.7%	5.973496	11796480	zzswEEP_ :sweeps.F:line.812 runhyd_ :main.F:line.1064 MAIN_ :main.F:line.226
16.7%	83.4%	5.972417	11796480	xxswEEP_ :sweeps.F:line.1694 runhyd_ :main.F:line.1088 MAIN_ :main.F:line.226
16.6%	100.0%	5.970403	11796480	xyswEEP_ :sweeps.F:line.219 runhyd_ :main.F:line.1048 MAIN_ :main.F:line.226
21.0%	64.0%	17.447719	70778880	difuze_ sppm2_ :sppm.F:line.630

Load Balancing Function per PE

Notes for table 1:

High level option: `-O load_balance_program`

Low level options: `-d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr -b exp,pe`

This table shows only lines with `Time% > 0.05`.

Percentages at each level are relative
(for absolute percentages, specify: `-s percent=a`).

Table 1: **Load Balance across PE's**

Time %	Cum. Time %	Time	Calls	Experiment=1 PE
100.0%	100.0%	3.798177	579653	Total
2.1%	2.1%	3.823080	7160	pe.0
2.1%	4.2%	3.799148	13753	pe.8
...				
2.1%	97.9%	3.796151	7683	pe.5
2.1%	100.0%	3.796144	10431	pe.29

Table 2: LB Across PE's by Group

Notes for table 2:

High level option: -O load_balance_group
 Low level options: -d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr -b exp,gr,pe

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Table 2: **Load Balance across PE's by FunctionGroup**

Time %	Cum. Time %	Time	Calls	Experiment=1 Group PE
100.0%	100.0%	3.798177	579653	Total
70.9%	70.9%	2.692783	245380	USER
2.2%	2.2%	2.833001	3076	pe.0
2.0%	100.0%	2.597093	4512	pe.43
28.8%	99.7%	1.092307	238224	MPI
2.3%	2.3%	1.188383	4363	pe.43
1.6%	100.0%	0.859333	2923	pe.0
0.2%	99.8%	0.007329	95597	HEAP
2.7%	2.7%	0.009363	2482	pe.12
0.6%	100.0%	0.002062	803	pe.0
0.2%	100.0%	0.005758	452	IO
46.6%	46.6%	0.128685	358	pe.0
0.6%	100.0%	0.001644	2	pe.29

Table 3: LB Across PE's by Function

Notes for table 3:

High level option: -O load_balance_function
 Low level options: -d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr -b exp,gr,fu,pe

This table shows only lines with Time% > 0.05.

Percentages at each level are relative
 (for absolute percentages, specify: -s percent=a).

Table 3: Load Balance across PE's by Function

Time %	Cum. Time %	Time	Calls	Experiment=1 Group Function PE
100.0%	100.0%	3.798177	579653	Total

70.9%	70.9%	2.692783	245380	USER

97.1%	97.1%	2.615916	576	sweep_

2.2%	2.2%	2.753279	12	pe.0
2.1%	4.3%	2.654725	12	pe.5
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2.0%	98.0%	2.525587	12	pe.43
2.0%	100.0%	2.523325	12	pe.37
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0.4%	99.2%	0.010300	118080	snd_real_

2.4%	2.4%	0.011699	2880	pe.26
2.3%	4.7%	0.011475	2880	pe.27
. . .				
1.5%	98.6%	0.007266	1440	pe.0
1.4%	100.0%	0.006907	1440	pe.5
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Table 3 (Cont.)

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28.8% | 99.7% | 1.092307 | 238224 |MPI
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76.1% | 76.1% | 0.831311 | 118080 |mpi_recv_
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 2.7% |  2.7% | 1.066077 | 1440 |pe.47
 2.6% |  5.3% | 1.034307 | 2160 |pe.41
. . .
 1.8% | 98.6% | 0.700970 | 2160 |pe.1
 1.4% |100.0% | 0.573420 | 1440 |pe.0
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. . .
=====
 0.2% | 99.8% | 0.007329 | 95597 |HEAP
-----
61.1% | 61.1% | 0.004481 | 47861 |malloc
-----
 2.7% |  2.7% | 0.005884 | 1242 |pe.12
 2.6% |  5.4% | 0.005658 | 1226 |pe.19
. . .
 1.3% | 99.5% | 0.002827 | 618 |pe.34
 0.5% |100.0% | 0.001164 | 417 |pe.0
=====
38.9% |100.0% | 0.002848 | 47735 |free
-----
 2.7% |  2.7% | 0.003748 | 1422 |pe.37
 2.7% |  5.5% | 0.003706 | 1469 |pe.43
. . .
 1.4% | 99.3% | 0.001867 | 616 |pe.34
 0.7% |100.0% | 0.000896 | 385 |pe.0
=====
 0.2% |100.0% | 0.005758 | 452 |IO
-----
81.3% | 81.3% | 0.004679 | 309 |fwrite
-----
34.3% | 34.3% | 0.077141 | 262 |pe.0
 2.1% | 36.4% | 0.004615 | 1 |pe.8
. . .

```

Load Balance: Max, Median, Min

Notes for table 1:

High level option: `-O load_balance_program`

Low level options: `-d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr -b exp,pe=[mmm]`

This table shows only lines with `Time% > 0.05`.

Percentages at each level are relative
(for absolute percentages, specify: `-s percent=a`).

Table 1: **Load Balance across PE's**

Time %	Cum. Time %	Time	Calls	Experiment=1 PE[mmm]
100.0%	100.0%	3.798177	579653	Total
2.1%	2.1%	3.823080	7160	pe.0
2.1%	52.1%	3.797671	10695	pe.3
2.1%	100.0%	3.796144	10431	pe.29

LB [MMM] Table 2

Notes for table 2:

High level option: -O load_balance_group
 Low level options: -d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr \
 -b exp,gr,pe=[mmm]

This table shows only lines with Time% > 0.05.

Percentages at each level are relative
 (for absolute percentages, specify: -s percent=a).

Table 2: **Load Balance across PE's by FunctionGroup**

Time %	Cum. Time %	Time	Calls	Experiment=1 Group PE[mmm]
100.0%	100.0%	3.798177	579653	Total

70.9%	70.9%	2.692783	245380	USER

2.2%	2.2%	2.833001	3076	pe.0
2.1%	52.8%	2.717019	4512	pe.12
2.0%	100.0%	2.597093	4512	pe.43
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28.8%	99.7%	1.092307	238224	MPI

2.3%	2.3%	1.188383	4363	pe.43
2.0%	53.7%	1.069314	5803	pe.7
1.6%	100.0%	0.859333	2923	pe.0
=====				
0.2%	99.8%	0.007329	95597	HEAP

2.7%	2.7%	0.009363	2482	pe.12
2.2%	59.6%	0.007614	2192	pe.40
0.6%	100.0%	0.002062	803	pe.0
=====				
0.2%	100.0%	0.005758	452	IO

46.6%	46.6%	0.128685	358	pe.0
1.1%	80.3%	0.003144	2	pe.47
0.6%	100.0%	0.001644	2	pe.29
=====				

LB [MMM] Table 3

Notes for table 3:

High level option: -O load_balance_function
 Low level options: -d ti%@0.05,cum_ti%,ti,tr \
 -b exp,gr,fu,pe=[mmm]

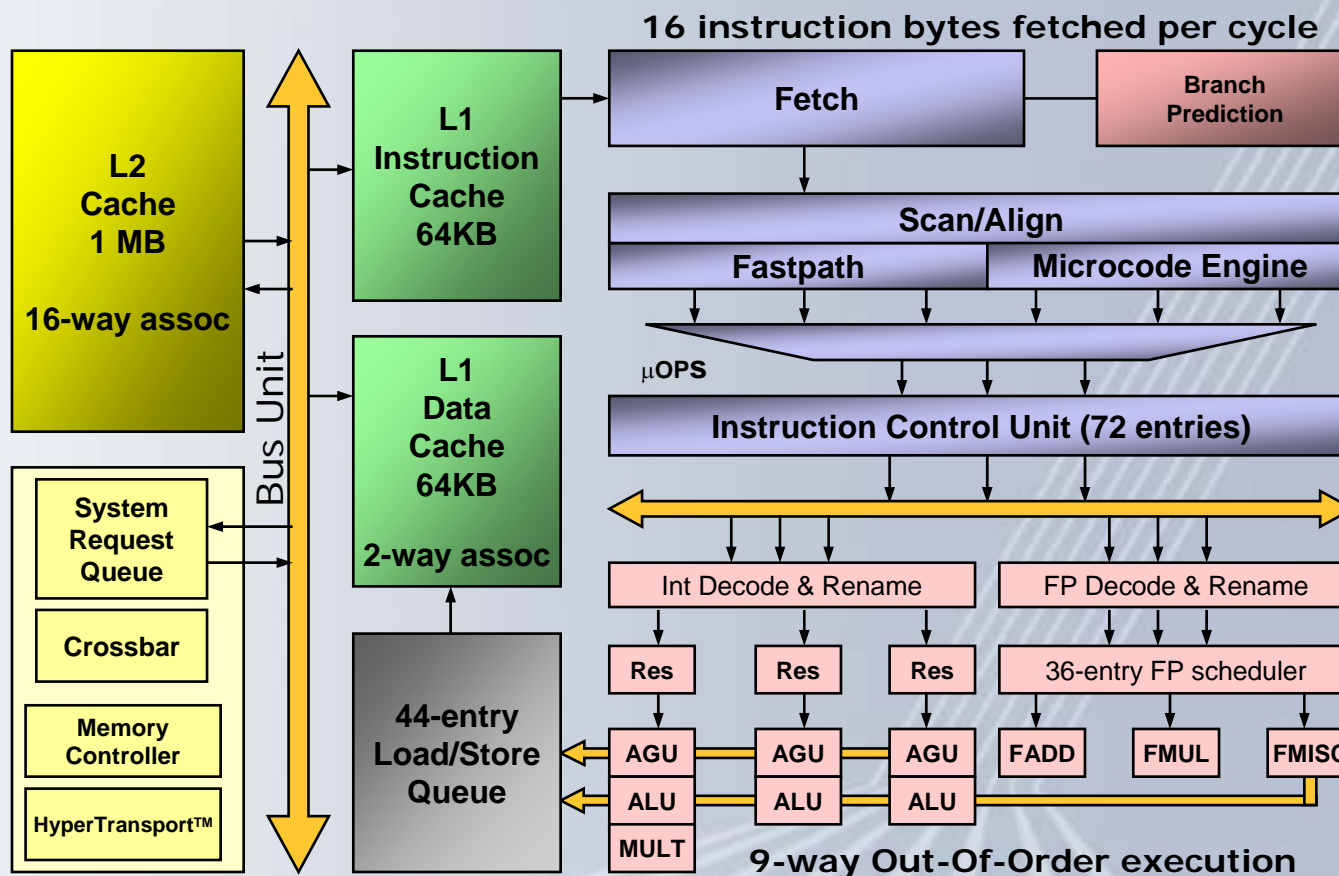
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 (for absolute percentages, specify: -s percent=a).

Table 3: Load Balance across PE's by Function

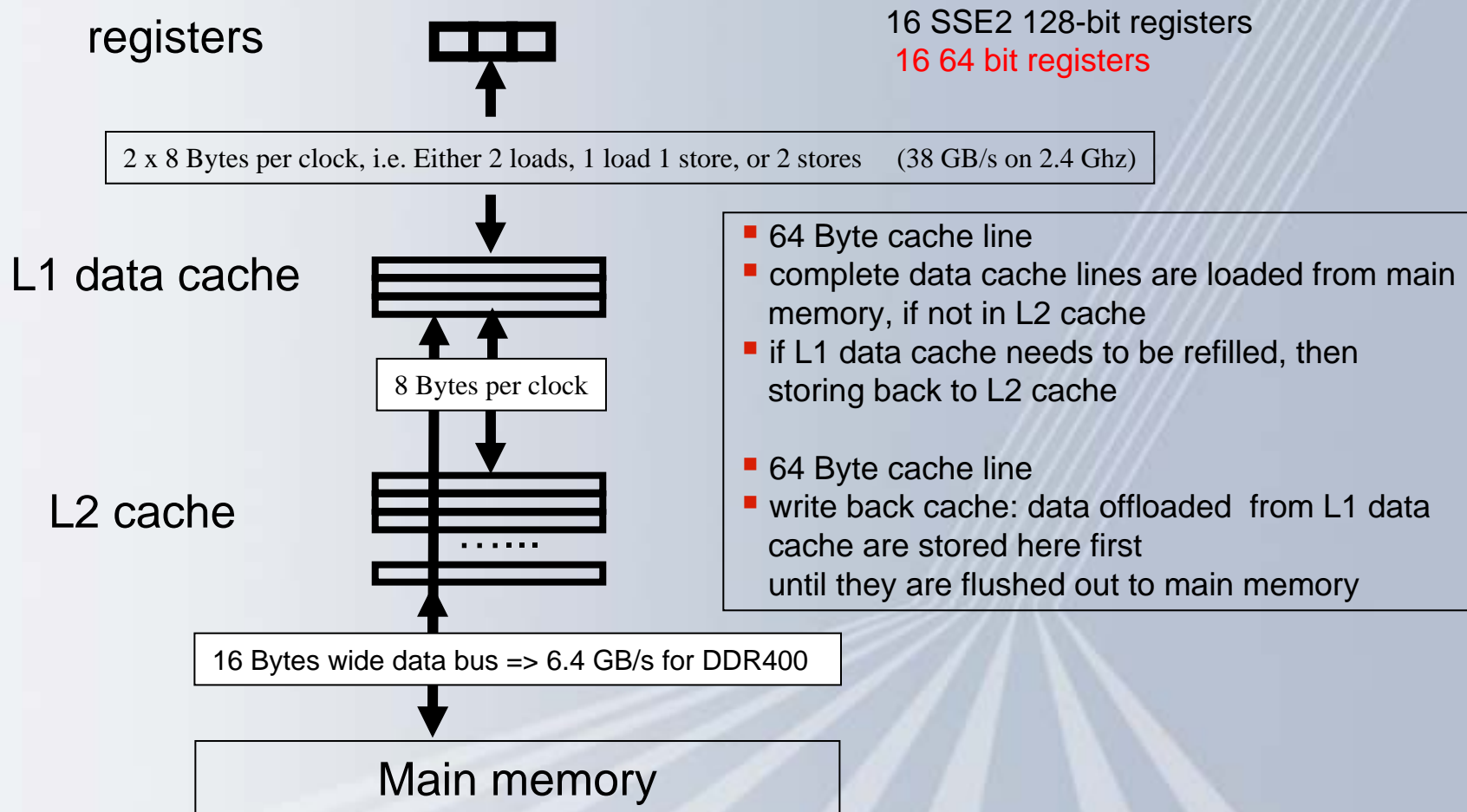
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100.0%	100.0%	3.798177	579653	Total
70.9%	70.9%	2.692783	245380	USER
97.1%	97.1%	2.615916	576	sweep_
2.2%	2.2%	2.753279	12	pe.0
2.1%	52.8%	2.638898	12	pe.16
2.0%	100.0%	2.523325	12	pe.37
=====				
28.8%	99.7%	1.092307	238224	MPI
76.1%	76.1%	0.831311	118080	mpi_recv_
2.7%	2.7%	1.066077	1440	pe.47
2.0%	56.9%	0.801256	2880	pe.21
1.4%	100.0%	0.573420	1440	pe.0
=====				
0.2%	99.8%	0.007329	95597	HEAP
=====				
0.2%	100.0%	0.005758	452	IO

AMD Opteron Processor



- 36 entry FPU instruction scheduler
- 64-bit/80-bit FP Realized throughput (1 Mul + 1 Add)/cycle: 1.9 FLOPs/cycle
- 32-bit FP Realized throughput (2 Mul + 2 Add)/cycle: 3.4+ FLOPs/cycle

Simplified memory hierarchy on the AMD Opteron



Hardware Performance Counters

- AMD Opteron Hardware Performance Counters
 - **Four** 48-bit performance counters.
 - Each counter can monitor a single event
 - Count specific processor events
 - » the processor increments the counter when it detects an occurrence of the event
 - » (e.g., cache misses)
 - Duration of events
 - » the processor counts the number of processor clocks it takes to complete an event
 - » (e.g., the number of clocks it takes to return data from memory after a cache miss)
 - Time Stamp Counters (TSC)
 - Cycles (user time)

PAPI Predefined Events

- Common set of events deemed relevant and useful for application performance tuning
 - Accesses to the memory hierarchy, cycle and instruction counts, functional units, pipeline status, etc.
 - The “papi_avail” utility shows which predefined events are available on the system

- PAPI also provides access to native events
 - The “papi_native_avail” utility list all AMD native events available on the system

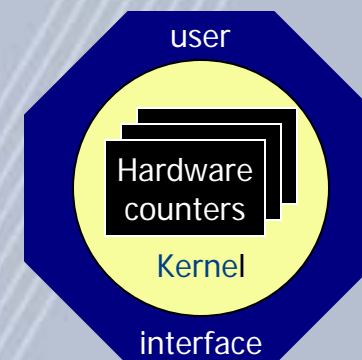
- Information on PAPI and AMD native events
 - **pat_help counters**
 - **man papi_counters**
 - For more information on AMD counters:
 - http://www.amd.com/us-en/assets/content_type/white_papers_and_tech_docs/26049.PDF

Hardware Counters Selection

- PAT_RT_HWPC <set number> | <event list>
 - Specifies hardware counter events to be monitored
 - A set number can be used to select a group of predefined hardware counters events (**recommended**)
 - **CrayPat provides 10 group on the Cray XT systems**
 - » with CrayPat 3.2.1
 - Alternatively a list of hardware performance counter event names can be used
 - Maximum of 4 events
 - Both formats can be specified at the same time, with later definitions overriding previous definitions
 - Hardware counter events are not collected by default
 - Hardware counters collection is not supported with sampling on systems running Catamount on the compute nodes

Accuracy Issues

- Granularity of the measured code
 - If not sufficiently large enough, overhead of the counter interfaces may dominate
- Pay attention to what is not measured:
 - Out-of-order processors
 - Speculation
 - Lack of standard on what is counted
 - Microbenchmarks can help determine accuracy of the hardware counters
- For more information on AMD counters:
 - architecture manuals:
 - http://www.amd.com/us-en/assets/content_type/white_papers_and_tech_docs/26049.PDF



Hardware Performance Counters

PAPI_TOT_INS	Instructions completed			
PAPI_L1_DCA	Level 1 data cache accesses			
PAPI_FP_OPS	Floating point operations			
DC_MISS	Miss			
User_Cycles	Virtual Cycles			

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Time%		97.5%		
Time		3.230187		
Imb.Time		0.101737		
Imb.Time%		3.1%		
Calls		576		
PAPI_TOT_INS	98317.741M/sec	317795002148	instr	
PAPI_L1_DCA	42083.940M/sec	136029016684	ops	
PAPI_FP_OPS	31627.408M/sec	102230097147	ops	
DC_MISS	1196.648M/sec	3867955563	ops	
User time	3.232 secs	7757582659	cycles	
Utilization rate		100.0%		
Instr per cycle		40.97	inst/cycle	
HW FP Ops / Cycles		13.18	ops/cycle	
HW FP Ops / User time	31627.408M/sec	102230097147	ops	13.7%peak
HW FP Ops / WCT	31627.408M/sec			
HW FP Ops / Inst		32.2%		
Computation intensity		0.75	ops/ref	
MIPS	98317.741M/sec			
Instructions per LD ST		2.34	inst/ref	
LD & ST per D1 miss		35.17	refs/miss	
D1 cache hit ratio		97.2%		
LD ST per Instructions		42.8%		

PAT_RT_HWPC=0
 Flat profile data
 Hard counts
 Derived metrics

Hardware Performance Counters

```

PAPI_TLB_DM  Data translation lookaside buffer misses
PAPI_L1_DCA  Level 1 data cache accesses
PAPI_FP_OPS  Floating point operations
DC_MISS      Data Cache Miss
User_Cycles  Virtual Cycles
    
```

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Time%                97.5%
Time                 3.230138
Imb.Time             0.102759
Imb.Time%            3.1%
Calls                576
PAPI_TLB_DM          23.637M/sec      76402282 misses
PAPI_L1_DCA          42084.031M/sec  136028363961 ops
PAPI_FP_OPS          31627.272M/sec  102228944600 ops
DC_MISS              1196.211M/sec   3866518161 ops
User time            3.232 secs      7757528615 cycles
Utilization rate     100.0%
HW FP Ops / Cycles   13.18 ops/cycle
HW FP Ops / User time 31627.272M/sec 102228944600 ops    13.7%peak
HW FP Ops / WCT      31627.272M/sec
Computation intensity 0.75 ops/ref
LD & ST per TLB miss 1780.42 refs/miss
LD & ST per D1 miss  35.18 refs/miss
D1 cache hit ratio   97.2%
% TLB misses / cycle 0.0%
    
```


PAT_RT_HWPC=2 (Cache Info)

```

PAPI_L1_DCA           Level 1 data cache accesses
DC_L2_REFILL_MOESI   Refill from L2. Cache bits: Modified Owner Exclusive Shared Invalid
DC_SYS_REFILL_MOESI  Refill from system. Cache bits: Modified Owner Exclusive Shared Invalid
BU_L2_REQ_DC         Internal L2 request - DC fill
User_Cycles          Virtual Cycles
  
```

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```

Time%                97.6%
Time                 3.229766
Imb.Time             0.102401
Imb.Time%            3.1%
Calls                576
PAPI_L1_DCA          42089.216M/sec    136029595956 ops
DC_L2_REFILL_MOESI   1194.502M/sec    3860550881 ops
DC_SYS_REFILL_MOESI  275.938M/sec    891814098 ops
BU_L2_REQ_DC         1228.504M/sec    3970443642 req
User time            3.232 secs    7756643255 cycles
Utilization rate     100.0%
L1 Data cache misses 1470.440M/sec    4752364979 misses
LD & ST per D1 miss  28.62 refs/miss
D1 cache hit ratio   96.5%
LD & ST per D2 miss  152.53 refs/miss
D2 cache hit ratio   77.5%
L2 cache hit ratio   81.2%
Total cache hit ratio 99.3%
Effective Reuse      2.38 refs/byte
Memory to D1 refill  275.938M/sec    891814098 lines
Memory to D1 bandwidth 16841.928MB/sec  57076102272 bytes
L2 to Dcache bandwidth 72906.587MB/sec  247075256384 bytes
  
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PAT_RT_HWPC=3 (Bandwidth)

```
DC_L2_REFILL_MOESI   Refill from L2. Cache bits: Modified Owner Exclusive Shared Invalid
DC_SYS_REFILL_MOESI  Refill from system. Cache bits: Modified Owner Exclusive Shared Invalid
DC_COPYBACK_MOESI   Copyback. Cache bits: Modified Owner Exclusive Shared Invalid
SI_QUAD_WRITE        Quadwords Written to System: Quadword write transfer
User_Cycles          Virtual Cycles
```

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```
Time%                97.5%
Time                 3.229972
Imb.Time             0.102654
Imb.Time%            3.1%
Calls                576
DC_L2_REFILL_MOESI   1196.069M/sec      3865961067 ops
DC_SYS_REFILL_MOESI  275.951M/sec       891933730 ops
DC_COPYBACK_MOESI   1472.059M/sec      4758021002 ops
SI_QUAD_WRITE        2130.392M/sec      6885899519 ops
User time            3.232 secs      7757332017 cycles
Utilization rate     100.0%
L1 Data cache misses 1472.020M/sec      4757894797 misses
L2 cache hit ratio   81.3%
Memory to D1 refill  275.951M/sec       891933730 lines
Memory to D1 bandwidth 16842.692MB/sec    57083758720 bytes
L2 to Dcache bandwidth 73002.276MB/sec    247421508288 bytes
Dcache to L2 bandwidth 89847.351MB/sec    304513344128 bytes
L2 to Memory bandwidth 16253.602MB/sec    55087196152 bytes
```

PAT_RT_HWPC=4 (HT Data Transfers)

```

SI_QUAD_WRITE      Quadwords Written to System: Quadword write transfer
HT_LL_MEM_XFR      HyperTransport data transfer from local memory to local memory
HT_LL_IO_XFR        HyperTransport data transfer from local memory to local IO
HT_LL_IO_MEM_XFR    HyperTransport data transfer from local IO to local memory
User_Cycles         Virtual Cycles
  
```

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```

Time%                97.6%
Time                 3.229909
Imb.Time             0.102472
Imb.Time%            3.1%
Calls                576
SI_QUAD_WRITE        2130.809M/sec    6886944175 ops
HT_LL_MEM_XFR        2229.315M/sec    7205322525 ops
HT_LL_IO_XFR         0.316M/sec      1022602 ops
HT_LL_IO_MEM_XFR     4.333M/sec      14003499 ops
User time             3.232 secs    7756989744 cycles
Utilization rate     100.0%
L2 to Memory bandwidth 16256.785MB/sec 55095553400 bytes
  
```

PAT_RT_HWPC=5 (FP & Vectorization)

PAPI_FML_INS	Floating point multiply instructions		
PAPI_FAD_INS	Floating point add instructions		
FR_FPU_SSE_SSE2_PACKED	Retired FPU instructions - Combined packed SSE and SSE2 instructions		
FR_FPU_SSE_SSE2_SCALAR	Retired FPU instructions - Combined scalar SSE and SSE2 instructions		
User_Cycles	Virtual Cycles		
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Time%		97.5%	
Time		3.230243	
Imb.Time		0.102413	
Imb.Time%		3.1%	
Calls		576	
PAPI_FML_INS	14751.121M/sec	47682418308	instr
PAPI_FAD_INS	16874.595M/sec	54546466150	instr
FR_FPU_SSE_SSE2_PACKED		0	instr
FR_FPU_SSE_SSE2_SCALAR	43000.358M/sec	138996966424	instr
User time	3.232 secs	7757905716	cycles
Utilization rate		100.0%	
HW FP Ops / Cycles		13.18	ops/cycle
HW FP Ops / User time	31625.716M/sec	102228884458	ops 13.7%peak
HW FP Ops / WCT	31625.716M/sec		
FP Multiply / FP Ops		46.6%	
FP Add / FP Ops		53.4%	
When compiled with fastsse:			
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Time%		97.0%	
Time		2.577571	
Imb.Time		0.101843	
Imb.Time%		3.9%	
Calls		576	
PAPI_FML_INS	16061.952M/sec	41438628312	instr
PAPI_FAD_INS	18681.139M/sec	48195934483	instr
FR_FPU_SSE_SSE2_PACKED	9315.154M/sec	24032397312	instr
FR_FPU_SSE_SSE2_SCALAR	39220.314M/sec	101185461233	instr
User time	2.580 secs	6191819596	cycles
Utilization rate		100.0%	
HW FP Ops / Cycles		14.48	ops/cycle
HW FP Ops / User time	34743.091M/sec	89634562795	ops 15.1%peak
HW FP Ops / WCT	34743.091M/sec		
FP Multiply / FP Ops		46.2%	
FP Add / FP Ops		53.8%	

PAT_RT_HWPC=6 (Stalls / Resources Idle)

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PAPI_FPU_IDL      Cycles floating point units are idle
PAPI_STL_ICY      Cycles with no instruction issue
PAPI_RES_STL      Cycles stalled on any resource
IC_FETCH_STALL    Instruction fetch stall
User_Cycles       Virtual Cycles
    
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Time%              96.9%
Time               2.619334
Imb.Time           0.141884
Imb.Time%          5.2%
Calls              576
PAPI_FPU_IDL      0.209 secs      500570926.75 cycles
PAPI_STL_ICY      0.029 secs      70217803.2916667 cycles
PAPI_RES_STL      1.725 secs      4140098264.75 cycles
IC_FETCH_STALL    1.930 secs      4631824703.22917 cycles
User time         2.622 secs      6292743345.83333 cycles
Utilization rate  100.0%
Total time stalled 1.725 secs      4140098264.75 cycles      65.8%
Time I Fetch Stalled 1.930 secs      4631824703.22917 cycles      73.6%
Avg Time FPU idle  0.104 secs      250285463.375 cycles      4.0%
Time Decoder empty 0.029 secs      70217803.2916667 cycles      1.1%
    
```

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PAT_RT_HWPC=7 (Stalls/ Resources Full)

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FR_DECODER_EMPTY      Nothing to dispatch - decoder empty
FR_DISPATCH_STALLS    Dispatch stalls - D2h or DAh combined
FR_DISPATCH_STALLS_FULL_FPU  Dispatch stall when FPU is full
FR_DISPATCH_STALLS_FULL_LS   Dispatch stall when LS is full
User_Cycles           Virtual Cycles
  
```

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USER / sweep_

```

Time%                97.0%
Time                 2.618878
Imb.Time            0.142062
Imb.Time%           5.3%
Calls                576
FR_DECODER_EMPTY    1281.985M/sec      3360773456 ops
FR_DISPATCH_STALLS  1.725 secs      4139586865.875 cycles
FR_DISPATCH_STALLS_FULL_FPU  1.118 secs  2683961106.04167 cycles
FR_DISPATCH_STALLS_FULL_LS   0.438 secs  1050422214.02083 cycles
User time           2.622 secs      6291691461.4375 cycles
Utilization rate    100.0%
Total time stalled  1.725 secs      4139586865.875 cycles  65.8%
Avg Time FPUs stalled  0.559 secs  1341980553.02083 cycles  21.3%
Avg Time LSs stalled  0.219 secs  525211107.010417 cycles   8.3%
Time Decoder empty   1.400 secs      3360773456 cycles  53.4%
  
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PAT_RT_HWPC Other Sets

Set 8: Branches

PAPI_BR_TKN	Conditional branch instructions taken
PAPI_BR_MSP	Conditional branch instructions mispredicted
PAPI_TOT_INS	Instructions completed
IC_MISS	IC Miss
User_Cycles	Virtual Cycles

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PAPI_L2_ICM	Level 2 instruction cache misses
PAPI_L1_ICA	Level 1 instruction cache accesses
IC_MISS	IC Miss
IC_L2_REFILL	Refill from L2
User_Cycles	Virtual Cycles

pat_help & Documentation

- The **pat_help** utility is an interactive viewer used to access information about and examples of using CrayPat
 - pat_help [topic [subtopic...]]

- See also man pages:
 - craypat
 - pat
 - pat_build
 - pat_report
 - pat_help
 - hwpc
 - papi_counters

pat_help Example

```
% pat_help
```

```
The top level CrayPat/X help topics are listed below.  
A good place to start is:
```

```
overview
```

```
If a topic has subtopics, they are displayed under the heading  
"Additional topics", as below. To view a subtopic, you need  
only enter as many initial letters as required to distinguish  
it from other items in the list. To see a table of contents  
including subtopics of those subtopics, etc., enter:
```

```
toc
```

```
To produce the full text corresponding to the table of contents,  
specify "all", but preferably in a non-interactive invocation:
```

```
pat_help all . > all_pat_help  
pat_help report all . > all_report_help
```

```
Additional topics:
```

```
API                execute  
balance            experiment  
build              first_example  
counters           overview  
demos              report  
environment        run
```

```
pat_help (.=quit ,=back ^=up /=top ~=search)  
=>
```

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Questions / Comments
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