Debugging CUDA Accelerated MPI Codes

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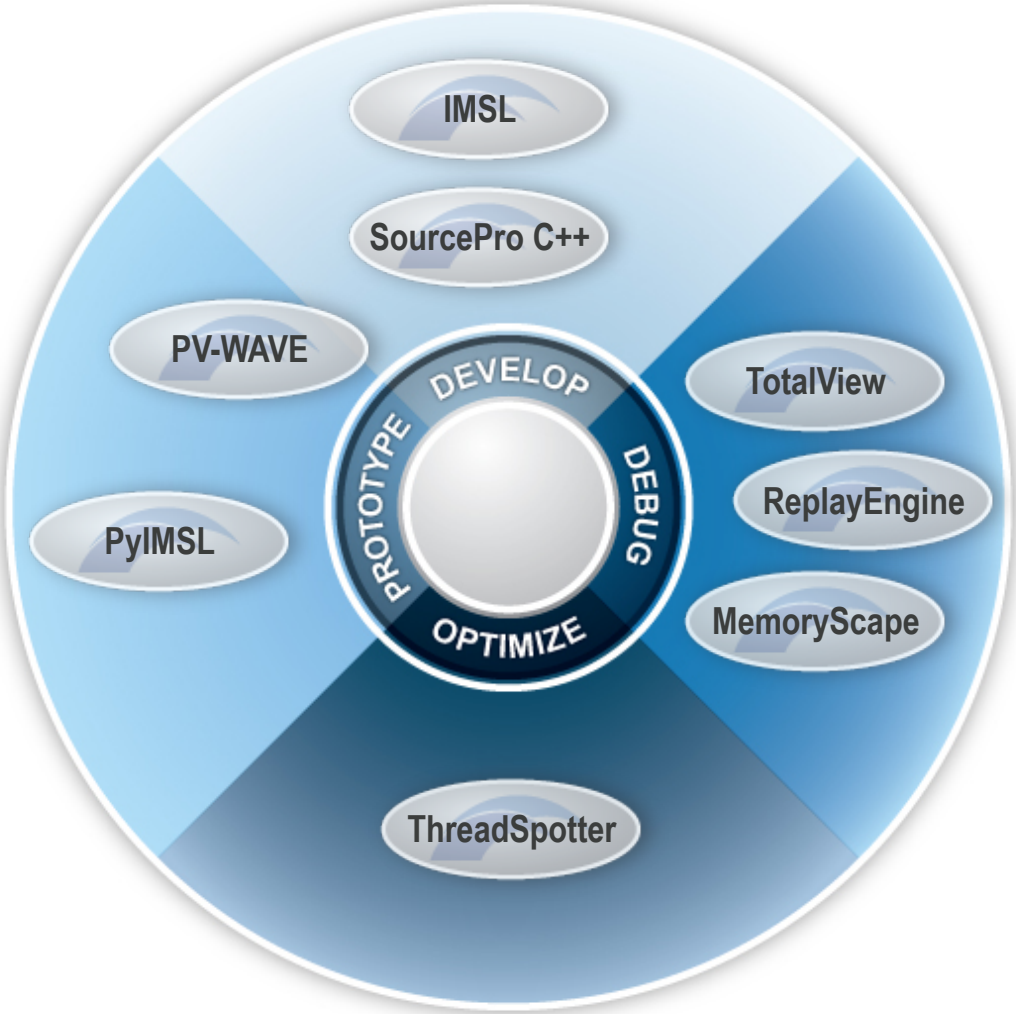

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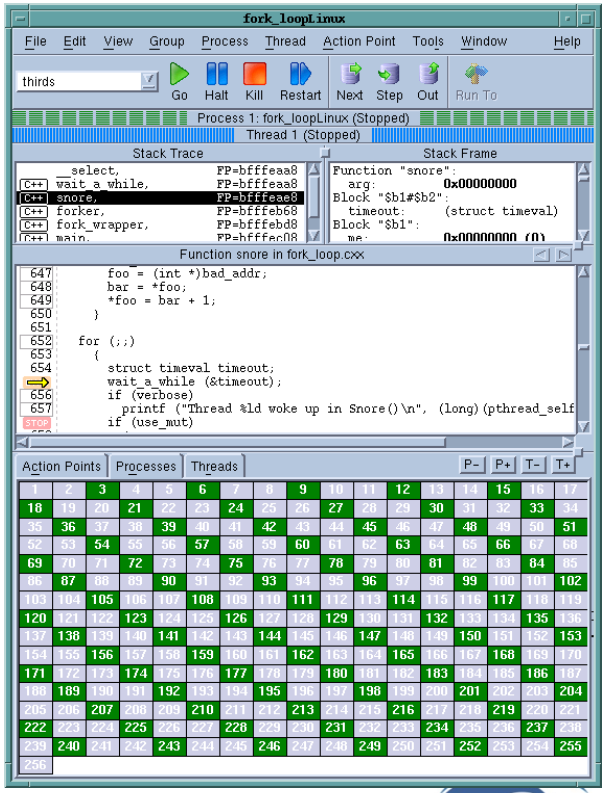
What is TotalView?

- **Application Analysis and Debugging Tool: Code Confidently**
  - **Debug and Analyze C/C++ and Fortran on Linux, Unix or Mac OS X**
  - **Laptops to supercomputers (BG, Cray)**
  - **Makes developing, maintaining and supporting critical apps easier and less risky**

- **Major Features**
  - **Easy to learn graphical user interface with data visualization**
  - **Parallel Debugging**
    - **MPI, Pthreads, OpenMP, GA, UPC**
    - **CUDA Support available**
  - **Includes a** Remote Display Client **freeing users to work from anywhere**
  - **Includes Memory Debugging with** MemoryScape
  - **Reverse Debugging available with** ReplayEngine
  - **Includes Batch Debugging with TVScript and the CLI**



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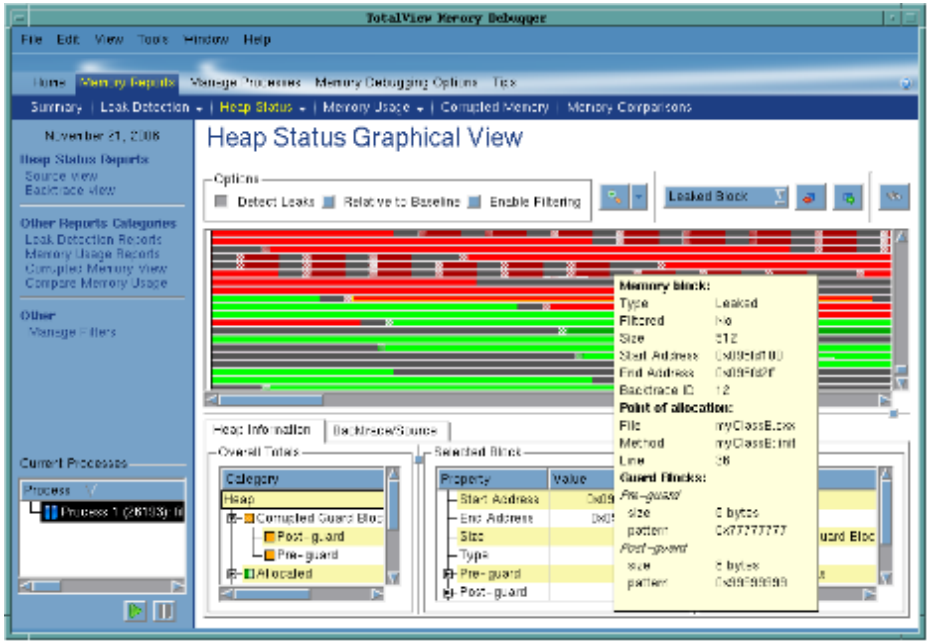
What Is MemoryScape?

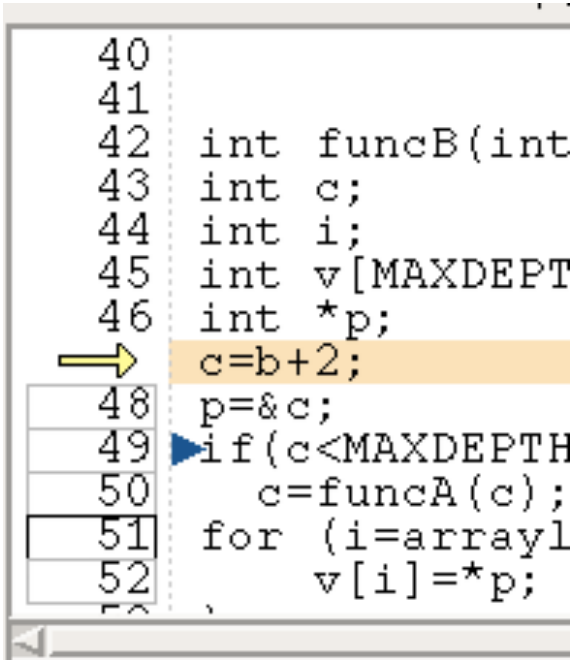
- **Runtime Memory Analysis : Eliminate Memory Errors**
  - Detects memory leaks *before* they are a problem
  - Explore heap memory usage with powerful analytical tools
  - Use for validation as part of a quality software development process

- **Major Features**
  - Detects
    - Malloc API misuse
    - Memory leaks
    - Buffer overflows
  - Supports
    - C, C++, Fortran
    - Linux, Unix, and Mac OS X
    - MPI, pthreads, OMP, and remote apps
  - Low runtime overhead
  - Easy to use
    - Works with vendor libraries
    - No recompilation or instrumentation
  - Enables Collaboration



What Is ReplayEngine?

- **Reverse Debugging Tool: Radically simplify your debugging**
  - Captures and Deterministically Replays Execution
  - Eliminate the Restart Cycle and Hard-to-Reproduce Bugs
  - Step Back and Forward by Function, Line, or Instruction



- **Major Features**
  - Simple extension to TotalView
    - No recompilation or instrumentation
    - Explore data and state in the past just like in a live process
  - Supported on Linux x86 and x86-64
  - Supports MPI, Pthreads, and OpenMP

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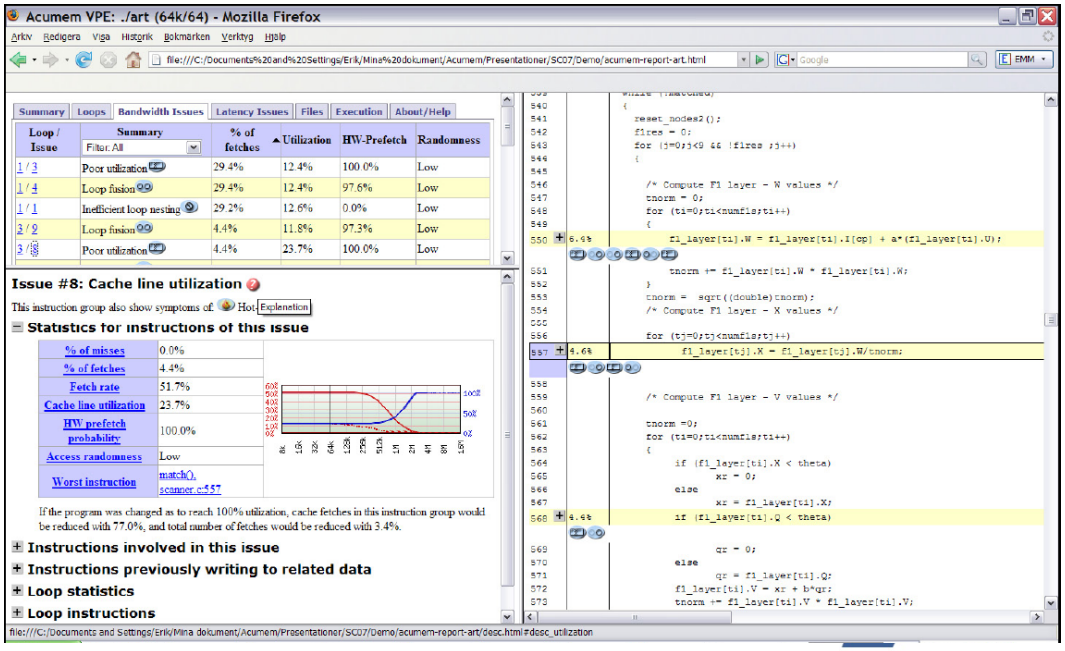
What is ThreadSpotter?

- **Runtime Cache Performance Optimization Tool: Tune into the Multi-Core Era**
  - **Realize More of the Performance Offered by Multi/Many-Core Chips**
  - **Quickly Detects and Prioritizes Issues -- and then Provides Usable Advice!**
    - **Brings Cache Performance Into Reach for Every Developer**
    - **Makes Experienced Cache Optimizers Hyper-Efficient**
- **Features**
  - **Supports Linux x86/x86-64**
  - **Any compiled code**
  - **Runtime Analysis**
    - **Low overhead**
  - **Cache Modeling**
    - **Prioritizes Issues**
    - **Identifies Problem Lines of Code**
  - **Provides Advice**
    - **Explanations**
    - **Examples**
    - **Detailed statistics (if desired)**



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Programming for the GP-GPU

- CUDA
  - Function-like kernels are written for the calculations to be performed on the GPU
    - Data parallel style, one kernel per unit of work
  - Presents a hierarchical organization for thread contexts
    - 2D grid of blocks
    - 3D block of thread
  - Exposes memory hierarchy explicitly to the user
  - Includes routines for managing device memory and data movement to and from device memory using streams
- Programming challenges
  - Coordinating CPU code + device code
  - Understanding what is going on in each kernel
    - Exceptions
  - Understanding memory usage
  - Understanding performance characteristics

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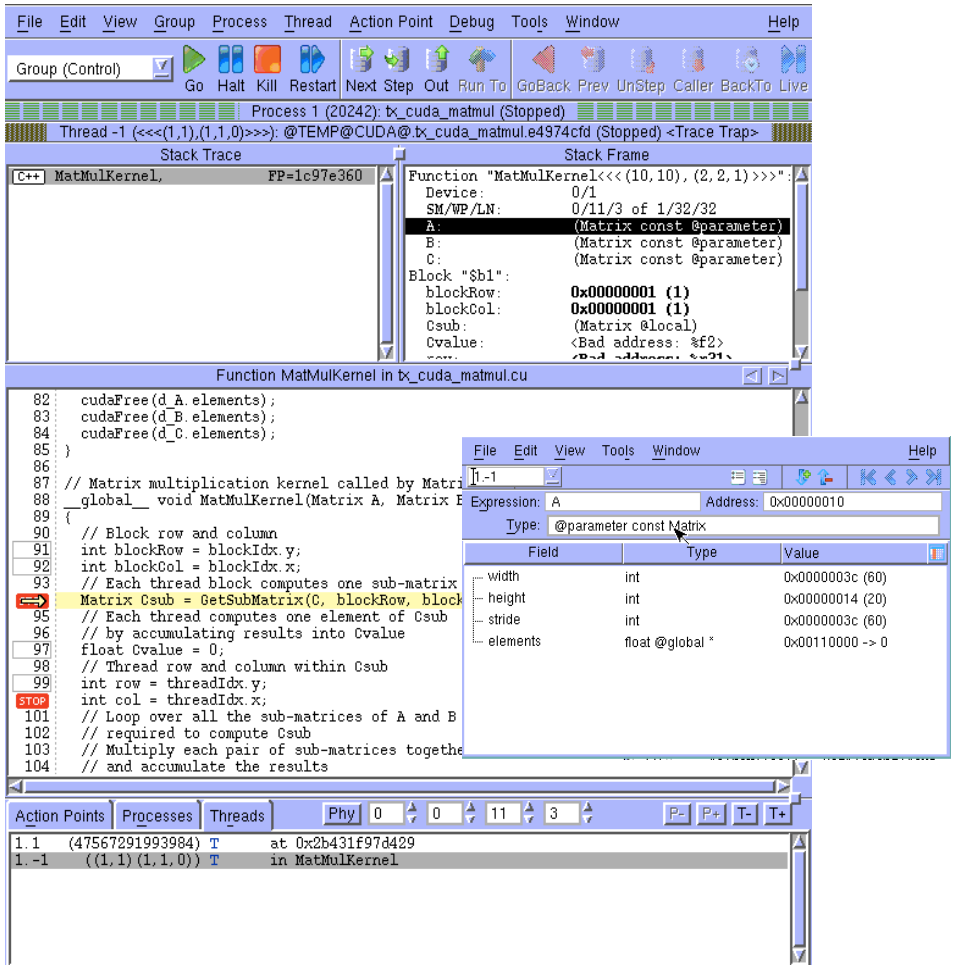
TotalView for CUDA



- **Characteristics**
  - **Debugging of application running on the GPU device (not in an emulator)**
  - **Full visibility of both Linux threads and GPU device threads**
  - **Fully represent the hierarchical memory**
  - **Thread and Block Coordinates**
  - **Device thread control**
  - **Handles CUDA function inlining**
  - **Reports memory access errors**
  - **Multi-Device Support**
  - **Can be used with MPI**
- **Supports CUDA 4.0 (in beta)**

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Memory Debugging

- **Heap Memory**
  - User is responsible for managing
  - C: Malloc / Free
  - C++: New / Delete
  - F90: Allocate / Deallocate
- **Buffer Overrun / Array Bounds Violations**
- **Memory Leaks**
- **Memory Optimization**

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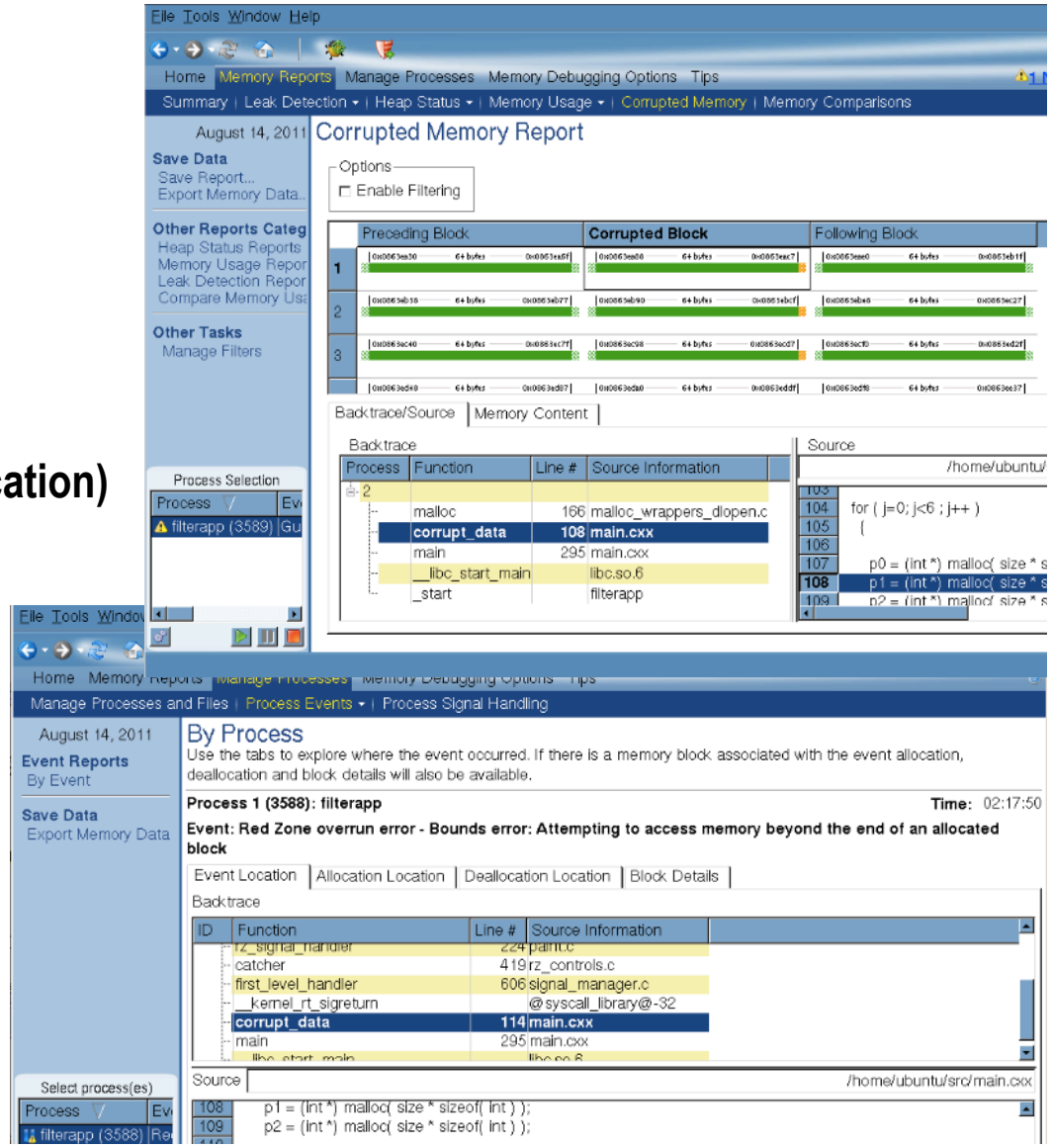
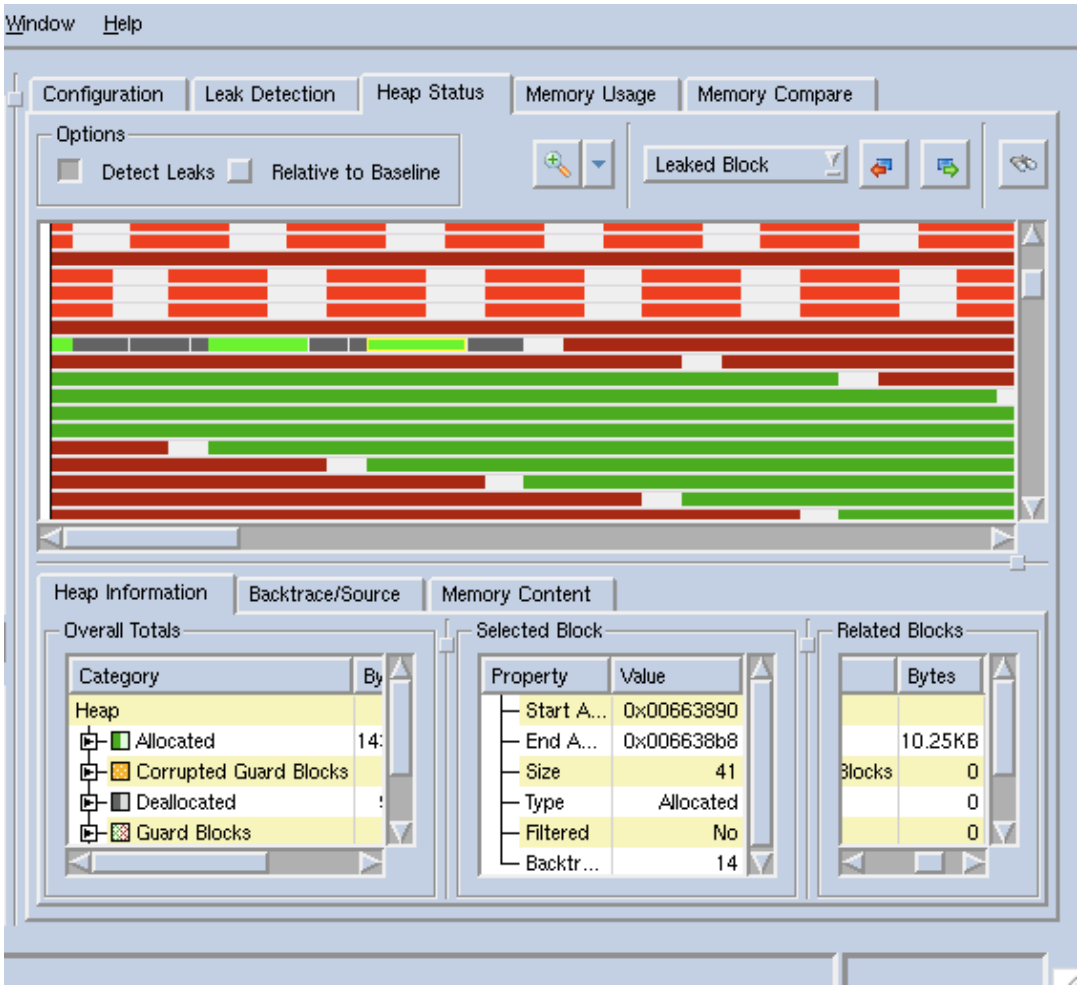
Heap Array Bounds Violations

- **Writing Outside of Allocation**
  - Can result in random errors
  - Dangling pointer
  - Array index error (off by one)
- **Guard Blocks**
  - Lightweight (few byes per allocation)
  - Fast
  - Notification on demand
  - Notification after free
- **RedZones**
  - Heavier (page per allocation)
  - Fast
  - Notification at point of error



Leak Detection



Leak Detection

- Based on Conservative Garbage Collection
- Can be performed at any point in runtime
  - Helps localize leaks in time
- Multiple Reports
  - Backtrace Report
  - Source Code Structure
  - Graphically Memory Location

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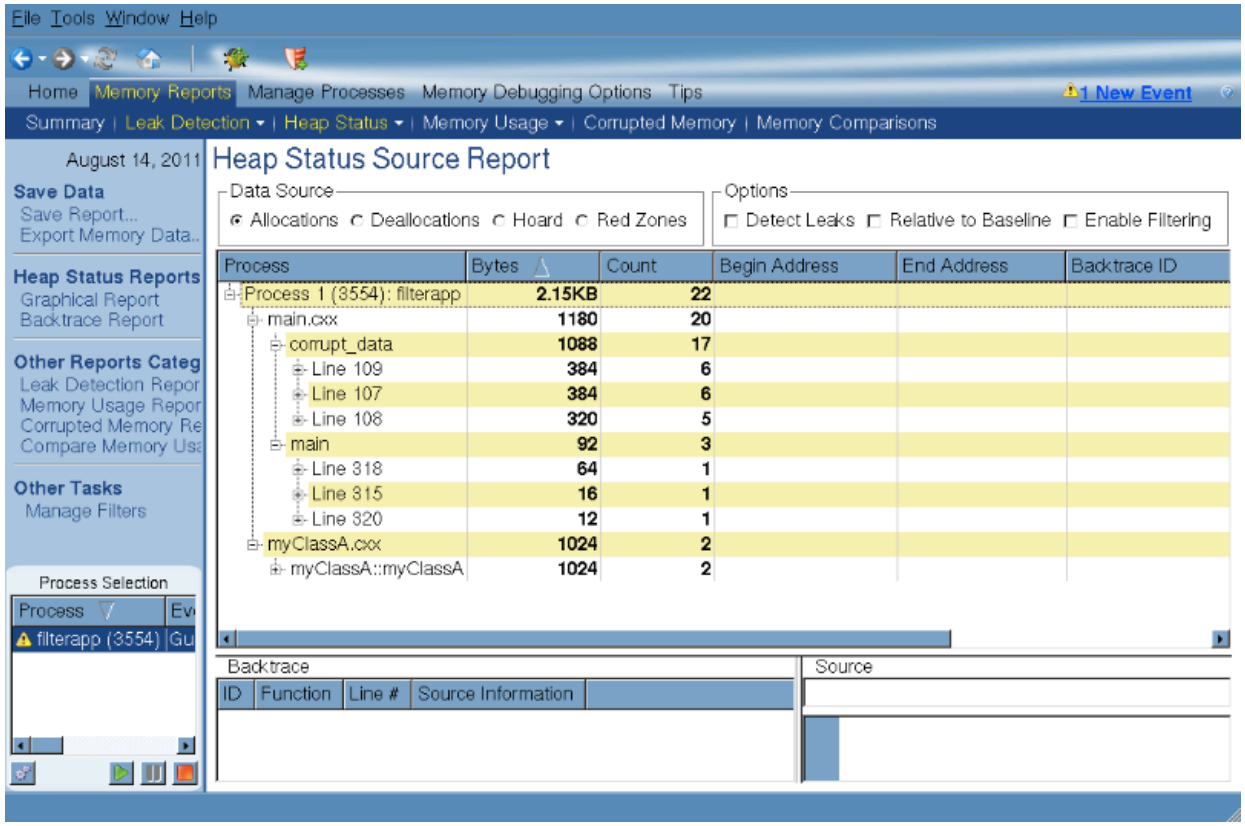
Memory Optimization

- Prevent OOM errors
- Mem Usage
  - Per process
  - Per library
  - Per function
- Compare
  - Between
    - Processes
    - Points in Time
    - Datasets
    - Runs
- Track
  - Automate reporting



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Automatic Debugging

- **Non-Interactive Batch Debugging**
  - Work in the "main" batch queue
  - Don't have to baby-sit job waiting on it to run
  - Can script to perform checks that would be tedious to do by hand
  - Verification can be part of automated processes (nightly build and test)

- **Automatic Transformation of Data**
  - Simplify interactive (and scripted) debugging
  - Perform validation/sanity checking of large datasets
  - Comparative debugging
  - Allows you to focus on troubleshooting your program

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TVScript Overview

- Gives you non-interactive access to TotalView's capabilities
- Useful for
  - Debugging in batch environments
  - Watching for intermittent faults
  - Parametric studies
  - Automated testing and validation
- TVScript is a script (not a scripting language)
  - It runs your program to completion and performs debugger actions on it as you request
  - Results are written to an output file
  - No GUI
  - No interactive command line prompt

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TVScript Syntax

- **tvscript syntax:**
  - tvscript [options] [filename] [-a program_args]

- **Options express (“event”,”action”) pairs**
  - **Typical events**
    - Action_point
    - Any_memory_event
    - Guard_corruption
    - error
  - **Typical actions**
    - Display_backtrace **[**-level ***level-num*****]** **[*****num_levels*****]** **[*****options*****]**
    - List_leaks
    - Save_memory
    - Print **[**-slice **{*****slice_exp*****]** **{*****variable*** **|** ***exp*****}**

```
•!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
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•! Print
•!
•! Process:
•!   ./server (Debugger Process ID:  1, System ID:  12110)
•! Thread:
•!   Debugger ID:  1.1, System ID:  3083946656
•! Time Stamp:
•!   06-26-2008 14:04:09
•! Triggered from event:
•!   actionpoint
•! Results:
•!    foreign_addr = {
•!      sin_family = 0x0002 (2)
•!      sin_port = 0x1fb6 (8118)
•!      sin_addr = {
•!        s_addr = 0x6658a8c0 (1717086400)
•!      }
•!      sin_zero = ""
•!    }
•!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
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```
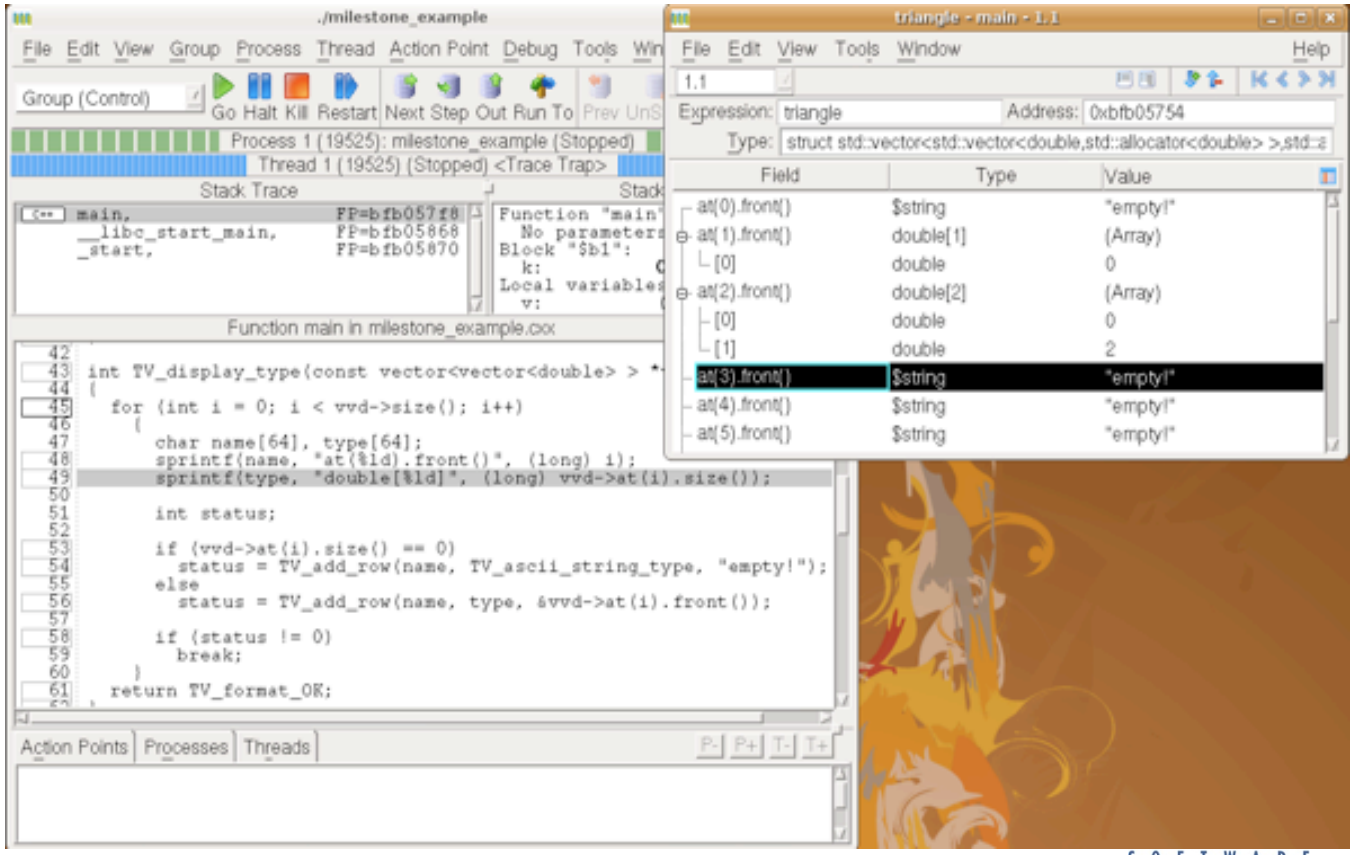

- **Example**

```
-create_actionpoint "#85=>print foreign_addr”
```

C++View

- C++View is a simple way for you to define type transformations
  - Simplify complex data
  - Aggregate and summarize
  - Check validity
- Transforms
  - Type-based
  - Compose-able
  - Automatically visible
- Code
  - C++
  - Easy to write
  - Resides in target
  - Only called by TotalView



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C++View Interface

- **Only two functions:**

```
int TV_ttf_display_type  ( const T * )

int TV_ttf_add_row (
   const char * field_name,
   const char * field_type,
   const char * address)
```

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Scalability In TotalView Today

- A Long History of Leadership
  - Have worked with customers such as LLNL, LANL, Sandia and others on scalability improvements for many years
- TotalView Architecture
  - No Hard Limit
  - Multi-Platform (Cray, IBM BG, Linux Clusters, etc..)
  - Efficient Use of Cluster Resources
    - Extremely light weight debug agents
    - Minimal memory footprint (efficient shared data structures)
    - Each agent can control many processes and threads
  - Challenging User Applications
    - More space on the compute nodes for user application code
  - Full Control of Debugger Components
    - Changes focused on HPC needs
- Customer Experiences
  - TotalView is regularly used to debug scales of up to 10k processes
  - TotalView is also used on >10k processes

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Research and Development

- Current Focus Areas
  - Transition TotalView from a flat 1:N communication to a tree
  - Scalable presentation of state and data
  - Usability at scale
  - Application driven tuning: Optimization focused on real-world applications and workloads
    - Across various machines
- Goals
  - Provide performance at >100,000 tasks to be debugged
  - Setting the stage for the millions of tasks we expect to see at exascale
- Several Concurrent Projects
  - FastOS project with Bart Miller and Mike Brim of University of Wisconsin
    - TBON-FS Group File Operations
    - Academic research based on MRNet & Dyninst components
  - LLNL Petascale Parallel Debugger Scalability contract
    - MRNet - product R & D
    - Multi-platform: BlueGene/Q, Cray XT/XE/XK, Linux Cluster
    - Preliminary results
      - First user observable improvements are in start up time
      - 5x improvement in at-scale start up performance on Cray
      - 20x improvement in at-scale start up performance on a "vanilla" linux cluster.
  - LLNL IDDA Dynamic Application contract
    - Focusing on a class of tool-breaking applications
    - Thousands of DLLs and Huge Symbol Table Size

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Peta and Exascale Scalability

- R&D work is planned to roll into the product releases 2012 and 2013
  - Multi-platform Application Based Optimization
    - Cray XT/XE/XK, Blue Gene/Q, Linux clusters
    - Scientific applications including especially dynamic apps
    - GPU accelerated cluster scalability
  - Tree-Based Overlay Network
    - Broadcast of Operations
    - Aggregation of Events and Data
  - UI Layer
    - New GUI Framework
    - Co-Design of Advanced Displays for Debugging at Scale
    - Simplifed Discovery of Relevant Information Through Aggregation
- These changes set the stage for exascale debugging
  - Multi-platform
  - Highly real-world optimized
  - Tree based
  - Low resource usage
  - Support for computational accelerator technology
  - Highly flexible architecture with an exclusive focus on HPC

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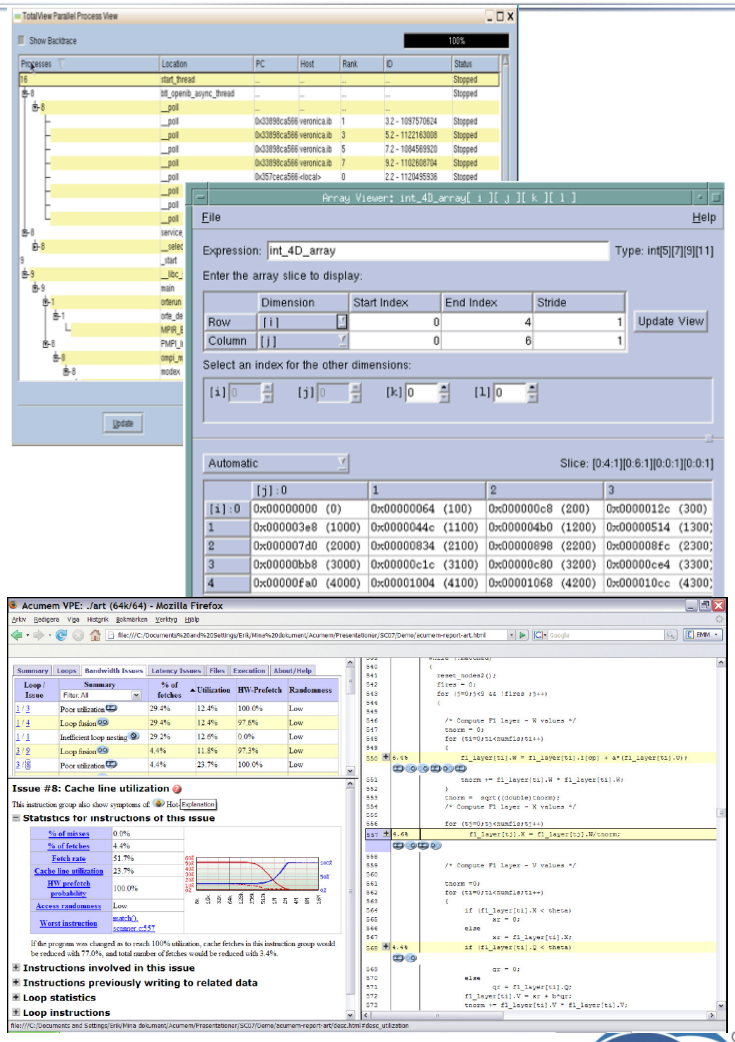
Recent Changes

- TV 8.9 series
  - Powerful parallel debugging
  - Support for CUDA 3.0 - 4.0 (in beta)
  - New Views: Multi-dimensional Array & Parallel Backtrace
  - C++View and TVScript for Automatic Debugging
  - Easy and Secure Remote Graphical Display
  - Updated platform support
- ReplayEngine 2.0 series
  - Deterministic Replay Radically Transforms Debugging
  - Brings Reverse Debugging to HPC Clusters
- MemoryScape 3.2 series
  - Memory Leaks and Array Bounds Checking for HPC
  - Red Zones for Instant Array Bounds Checking
- ThreadSpotter 2011
  - Memory Cache Optimization Made Easy



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Summary

- **Rogue Wave**
  HPC tools, components and libraries
  Parallel Programming is Hard, We Make it Easier

- **Debugging with the TotalView Family of Products**
  - Advanced, Scalable, Graphical, Easy to Use
  - MPI Debugging
  - CUDA Debugging
  - Memory Debugging
  - Automated Debugging
  - Deterministic Reverse Debugging

- **Optimization with ThreadSpotter**
  - Programmer Friendly Analysis of Cache and Memory Use

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