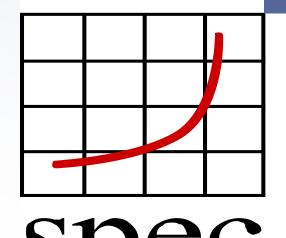
# How to Use SPEC Benchmarks for Decision Making

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SPEC HPG:

https://www.spec.org/hpg

Tutorial Website:

https://www.olcf.ornl.gov/sc20-spec-hpg-tutorial

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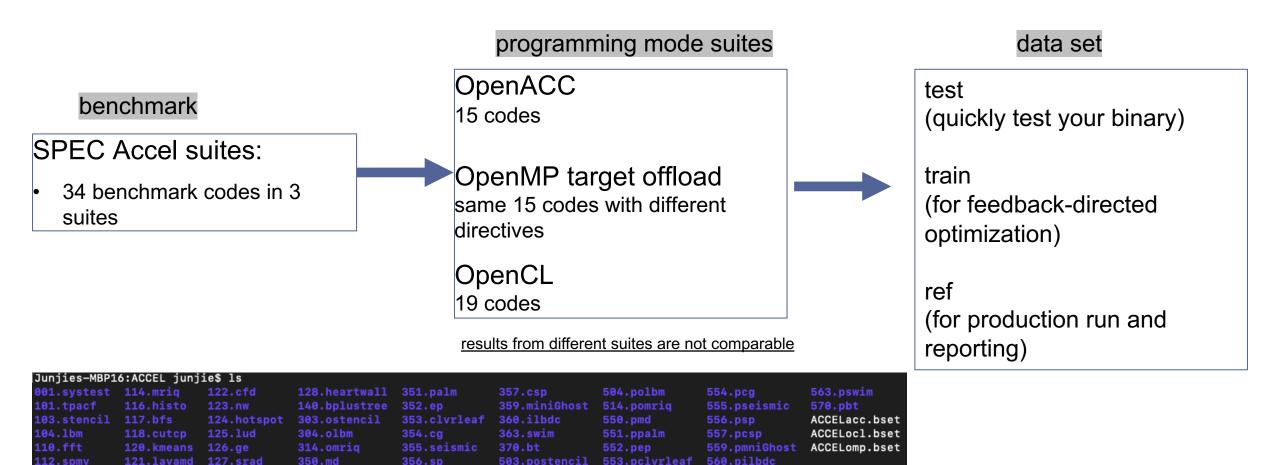
- benchmark codes
- benchmark workloads (input and output)
- SPEC tools
- run rule (every benchmark is different)

## **Benchmark components**

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#### **SPEC Accel Benchmark Suites**



## Benchmark components



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### SPEC Accel suites:

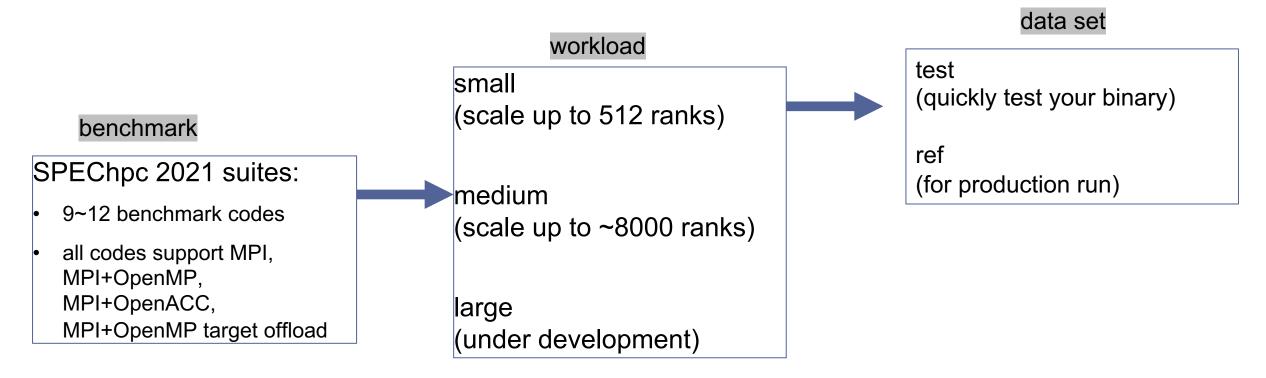
- the 15 codes in OpenACC suite
- real app or mini-app
- same codes later ported to OpenMP target offload suite
- coverages different scientific domains, different programming languages

OpenACC/OpenMP4. 5 Benchmarks	Language	Origin	Application Domain
ostencil	С	Parboil, University of Illinois	Thermodynamics
olbm	С	Parboil, University of Illinois, SPEC CPU2006	Computational Fluid Dynamics, Lattice Boltzmann
omriq	С	Rodinia, University of Virginia	Medicine
md	Fortran	Indiana University	Molecular Dynamics
palm	Fortran	Leibniz University of Hannover	Large-eddy simulation, atmospheric turbulence
ер	С	NAS Parallel Benchmarks	Embarrassingly Parallel
clvrleaf	C, Fortran	Atomic Weapons Establishment	Explicit Hydrodynamics
cg	С	NAS Parallel Benchmarks	Conjugate Gradient Solver
seismic	Fortran	GeoDynamics.org, University of Pau	Seismic Wave Modeling (PDE)
sp	Fortran	NAS Parallel Benchmarks	Scalar Penta-diagonal solver
csp	С	NAS Parallel Benchmarks	Scalar Penta-diagonal solver
miniGhost	C, Fortran	Sandia National Lab	Finite difference
ilbdc	Fortran	SPEC OMP2012	Fluid Mechanics
swim	Fortran	SPEC OMP2012	Weather
bt	С	NAS Parallel Benchmarks	Block Tridiagonal Solver for 3D PDE

## **Benchmark components**



### SPEChpc 2021 Benchmark Suites



For latest development of SPEChpc 2021

https://www.spec.org/hpc2021/

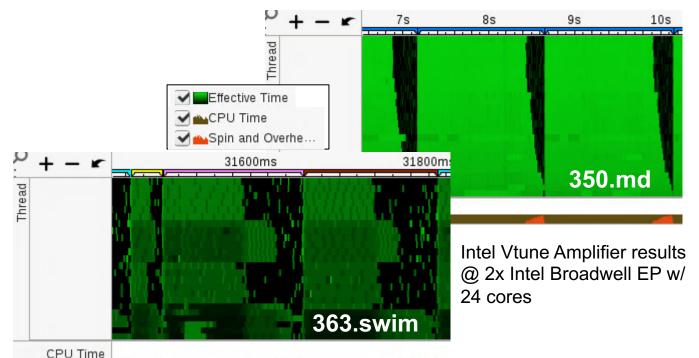


spec

- Codes are characterized during the selection process
- Coming from real-world applications
- May have completely different characteristics
- Identification: number and name
  - 350.md for example
- Documentation: website/ benchmark tree
  - Language, application domain,...

See SPEC HPG publication page for more performance studies: https://www.spec.org/hpg/publications/

Intel Vtune Amp.	350.md	363.swim
CPI rate	0.698	1.634
CPU utilization	69 %	23.6 %
Memory bound	11.8 %	48.5 %
% of packed FP instr	9.7 %	100 %



## SPEC Tools



Tools provided to ensure consistent operation of benchmarks across variety of platforms

- runspec or runhpc
  - Primary tool in the suite
  - build, run, report all through this command (you don't manually run each code).
  - Config file needed for usage (with detailed instructions on building/running the benchmarks)
- rawformat
  - Results formatter needed for publishing SPEC results
- specmake, specperl, specsha512sum, specdiff, specpp, specrand, and many more
  - make, perl, sha512sum, etc.

Tool overview: http://spec.org/omp2012/Docs/tools-build.html



## **Config Files**



- Contain instructions
  - Building benchmarks
  - Running them
  - Description of system under test

- How to write a config file?
  - Often start off using a config file that someone else has previously written<sup>1</sup>
    - example config in \$SPEC/config/
    - from SPEC result submissions similar to your system<sup>2</sup>
  - Write your own<sup>3</sup>

## Key for reproducibility!

Source: as of May 2018<sup>2</sup>

		Base	Processor				Results	
Test Sponsor	System Name	Threads		Enabled Chips		Threads/ Core	Base	Peak
	Intel Server System R2208WFTZS (2 x Intel Xeon Platinum 8180					_		
Intel	DDR4-2666, SMT ON Turbo ON)	112	56	2	28	2	21.1	25.5
	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Conf	ig						
Lenovo Global	ThinkSystem SR950	224	112	4	28	2	40.2	Not
Technology	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Cont	ig	112	4	20		40.2	Run
0 1 0 .:	SPARC T7-4	256	100	4	22		26.4	27.0
Oracle Corporation	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Cont	ig 256	128	4	32	8	26.4	27.9
RWTH University	NEC HPC 1812Rg	2.4	24	_	10	2	7.00	Not
Aachen	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Cont	ig 24	24	2	12	2	7.22	Run
RWTH University	NEC HPC 1812Rg	40	24	2	10	2	7.65	Not
Aachen	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Cont	48 ig	24	2	12	2	7.65	Run
RWTH University	NEC HPC 1812Rg		144	_	10	_	22.6	Not
Aachen	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF PS   Cont	ig 14	144	8	18	2	33.6	Run
RWTH University	NEC HPC 1812Rg	72	144	8	18	2	10.5	Not
Aachen	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Cont	ig / 2	144	8	18	2	19.5	Run
RWTH University	NEC HPC 1812Rg	26	144		10	_	0.07	Not
Aachen	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Cont	ig 36	144	8	18	2	9.97	Run
RWTH University	NEC HPC 1812Rg	10	144		10	2	5 22	Not
Aachen	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Cont	ig 18	144	8	18	2	5.23	Run

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.spec.org/accel/docs/runspec.html#about\_config

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.spec.org/accel/docs/config.html



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.spec.org/omp2012/results/omp2012.html

## **Config Files**



#### **Header section**

Usually runspec flags

```
# what to do: build, validate = build+ run+ check+ report
# Number of iterations of a test
iterations = 1
# Tuning levels: base, peak
            = base
# Dataset size: test, train, ref
# Environment variable will be set using "ENV *"
# Output format: all, pdf, text, html and so on
output format = text
flagsurl
            = $[top]/../flagsfile/Intel.xml
teeout
            = yes
# Run benchmarks according to your specific system config
# The variable "command" is the command used by spec
# submit = <system command> $command
#submit = numactl -p 1 $command
#submit = aprun -n 1 $command
```

### **Compiler Specification**

### Compiler Flags

- Base & Peak (optional)
- Portability

machine name

```
openacc=base=default=default:
OPTIMIZE = -fast -Mfprelaxed
FOPTIMIZE = -acc -ta=tesla:cc35,cuda5.5
COPTIMIZE
       = -acc -ta=tesla:cc35,cuda5.5
# Portability flags for each benchmark
# Following flag should not have any impact on performance.
359.miniGhost=default=default=default:
EXTRA LDFLAGS += -Mnomain
350.md=peak=default=default:
FOPTIMIZE = -acc -ta=tesla:cc35,cuda5.5,maxregcount:48
352.ep=peak=default=default:
FOPTIMIZE = -acc -ta=tesla:cc35,llvm
359.miniGhost=peak=default=default:
FOPTIMIZE = -acc -ta=tesla:cc35, cuda5.5, maxregcount:32
COPTIMIZE = -acc -ta=tesla:cc35, cuda5.5, maxregcount:32
# Hardware and software information for the machine under test.
# This information will be extracted for a reportable run.
# An example configuration can be copied from the website
# https://www.spec.org/accel/results/accel acc.html
= SPEC Tutorial Company
company name
          = SPEC Tutorial Sponsor
test sponsor
          = SPEC Tutorial Tester
          = SPEC Tutorial License
license_num
```

### **Host Information**

```
# # HOST Hardware information
# default=default=default:
hw avail = Nov-2013
hw cpu name = Intel Core i7-3930K
hw cpu mhz = 3200
hw cpu max mhz = 3800
hw fpu = Integrated
hw nchips = 1
hw ncores = 6
hw ncoresperchip = 6
hw nthreadspercore = 2
hw ncpuorder = 1 chip
hw pcache = 32 KB I + 32 KB D on chip per core
hw scache = 256 KB I+D on chip per core
```

#### Accelerator Information

#### MD5 section

Automatically-generated

= SPEC Tutorial Machine





```
# Software information
Named section
# Compilers.
                                           benchmark[,...] = tuning[,...]
default=default=default:
                                           =extension[,...]=machine[,...]:
CC
           = mpicc
CXX
             mpic++
           = mpifortran
FC
# Base
                                                 Settings for base runs
                                                 same flag for all
openacc=base=default=default:
                                                 Compiler flags or environment variables
           = -fast -Mfprelaxed
OPTIMIZE
           = -acc -ta=tesla:cc70,cuda10.1
FOPTIMIZE
COPTIMIZE
           = -acc -ta=tesla:cc70,cuda10.1
```

## **Config Files**



SPEC Accel OpenACC current doesn't need portability flag with PGI.

Other typical portability flags: language standards (-std=c99), Fortarn format (-free), memory models (-mcmodel=medium)

built/ execute correctly w/o these flags.





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machine name
             = SPEC Tutorial Machine
hw vendor
             = NEC
hw avail
             = NOV - 2016
             = Intel Xeon E5-2650 v4
hw cpu
             = 2200
hw cpu mhz
                                Information on host
             = 2900
hw cpu max mhz
                                configuration, e.g. CPU
```

### **HW & SW description**

- Needed only for reportable runs
- runspec tools captures information in submission file
- Very detailed information







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                                                                          Performance critical aspects of Host
hw ncpuorder = 1 chip
                                                                          and Accelerator are documented
hw pcache = 32 KB I + 32 KB D on chip per core
hw scache = 256 KB I+D on chip per core
hw tcache = 12 MB I+D on chip per chip
# Accelerator Hardware information
hw accel model = Tesla K40c
hw accel vendor = NVIDIA
hw accel name = NVIDIA Tesla K40c
hw accel type = GPU
hw accel connect = PCIe 3.0 16x
hw accel ecc = Yes
```





```
# Software information
default=default=default:
sw avail = Feb-2014
sw compiler = PGI Accelerator Server Complete, Release 14.2
sw accel driver = NVIDIA UNIX x86 64 Kernel Module 319.60
                                                                      Information on software
                                                                     configuration, e.g. compilers
# MD5 section. It will be created by CPEC automation
                                                     MD5 section
# It is used by SPEC to check whether an ex-
# the current compiler and flags settings.
                                                       Automatically generated by SPEC tools
                                                        Used to check whether an executable
                                                        is created using the current settings
```

## **SPEC Score**



- Each benchmark component will have a performance "ratio".
- "ratio"=speed up comparing to a reference machine (ratio of runtime)
- SPEC Score = geometric mean of "ratio" from all benchmark components
- SPEC Score of reference machine is "1"
- Higher is better, easy to understand

- Reference machines
  - □ For SPEC OMP2012
    - Sun Fire X4140, 2xAMD Opteron 2384, 8 cores, 2 chips, 4 cores/chip, 2.7 GHz
  - □ For SPEC Accel
    - SGI C3108-TY11, NVIDIA Tesla C2070, Intel Xeon E5620 2.4GHz

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- All official SPEC results are published on SPEC website

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- Modifying the config file
  - Once you have a config file that runs on your system, it is easy to modify it
  - E.g. peak optimizations for better performance

## Example:

SPEC® OMPG2012 Result Copyright 2012-2016 Standard Performance Evaluation Corporation							
Hewlett Packard Enterprise (Test Sponsor	: HPE)						
Integrity Superdome X (288 core, 2.50 GHz, Intel Xeon E7-88	SPECompG_peak2012 = 55.3 390 v3)						
OMP2012 license: 1 Test sponsor: HPE Tested by: HPE	Test date: Apr-2016 Hardware Availability: Oct-2015 Software Availability: Feb-2016						

```
350.md: -O3 -openmp -ipo -xCORE-AVX2 -fno-alias -opt-malloc-options=1 -fp-model fast=2 -no-prec-div -no-prec-sqrt -align array64byte

351.bwaves: -O3 -openmp -ipo -xCORE-AVX2 -fno-alias -fp-model fast=2 -no-prec-div -no-prec-sqrt -align array64byte

357.bt331: Same as 351.bwaves

360.ilbdc: basepeak = yes

362.fma3d: -O3 -openmp -ipo -xCORE-AVX2 -fno-alias -align array64byte

363.swim: -O3 -openmp -ipo -xCORE-AVX2 -fno-alias -opt-streaming-stores always -opt-malloc-options=3 -align array64byte
```





### Just show you how a peak run will look like:

threads=24

```
# Peak
default=peak=default=default:
          = -03 -qopenmp -ipo -xCORE-AVX2 -no-prec-div
OPTIMIZE
        = -ansi-alias
COPTIMIZE
CXXOPTIMIZE = -ansi-alias
          = -align
FOPTIMIZE
                              FP optimizations
# [...] Environment variables
```

- -qopt-malloc-options: alternate algorithm for malloc
- -fp-model fast=2:aggressive optimization on FP computations
- -no-prec-sqrt: less precise square root computations/ more performance
- -align array64byte: align arrays to 64 Byte
- -qopt-streaming-stores always: use non-temporal stores (write through)

```
350.md=peak=default=default:
OPTIMIZE = - 03 - gepenmp - ipo - xCORE - AVX2 - ansi-alias - qopt - malloc - options = 1
FOPTIMIZE = - fp-model fast = 2 - no-prec-div - no-prec-sqrt - align array64byte
363.swim=peak=default=default:
OPTIMIZE = - 03 - gopenmp - ipo - xCORE - AVX2 - ansi-alias - gopt-streaming-stores always
          -gopt-malloc-options=4
                                                                memory optimizations
```





Peak optimization rules: https://www.spec.org/omp2012/Docs/runrules.html#section2.4 Published results OMP2012: https://www.spec.org/omp2012/results/omp2012.html

### Peak runs



- Set of optimizations individually selected for each benchmark
  - e.g. different compilers, flags
- Called "aggressive compilation"
- Most published results do not contain peak, too much work
- lots of room to explore
- peak results are typically from vendors (e.g. showcase higher performance during RFP competition)

## **Practice**



You will be able to play with the benchmarks in the hands-on section coming next.

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#### total score spec **SPEC® ACCEL™ OMP Result** Copyright 2015-2017 Standard Performance Evaluation Corporation Colfax International (Test Sponsor: Indiana University) SPECaccel\_omp\_base = 3.40 SPECaccel omp energy base 4.54 Xeon Phi 7210 Ninia Developer Platform Pedestal: Liquid Cooled Not Run SPECaccel\_omp\_peak = SPECaccel\_omp\_energy\_peak ACCEL license: 3440A Test date: May-2017 Indiana University Hardware Availability: Aug-2016 Test sponsor: Software Availability: Tested by: Indiana University Jan-2017 503, postencil 504.polbr individual score 4.18 550.pnd 551.ppalm 552.pep 553.pclycleaf 555.pseismic 556.psp 557\_pcsp 559.pmniGhost 563 neui hardware Accelerator Hardware CPU Name: Intel Xeon Phi 7210 Accel Model Name: Xeon Phi 7210 CPU Characteristics: Simultaneous multithreading (SMT) on, Turbo off. Accel Vendor: Intel CPU MHz: 1300 Accel Name: Xeon Phi 7210 CPU MHz Maximum: 1300 CPU Type of Accel: N/A FPU: Integrated Accel Connection: CPU(s) enabled: 64 cores, 1 chip, 64 cores/chip, 4 threads/core Does Accel Use ECC: Accel Description: CPU(s) orderable: 1 to 1 chip Second generation Xeon Phi self-bootable CPU. 32 KB I + 32 KB D on chip per core SMT on, Turbo off, flat DDR4+MCDRAM Primary Cache: Accel Driver: N/A 1 MB I+D on chip per tile (2 cores) Secondary Cache: Software L3 Cache: Other Cache: None Operating System: CentOS Linux release 7.2.1511 (Core) 3.10.0-327.13.1.el7.xppsl\_1.3.3.151.x86\_64 Memory: 96 GB (6 x 16 GB 2Rx8 PC4-2400T-REB-11, ECC) + 16 GB MCDRAM Compiler: Intel Parallel Studio XE 2017 Update 1 for Disk Subsystem Intel S3510 SSD 800GB, SATA3 Linux, Version 17.0.1.132 Build 20161005 File System: Other Hardware: None ext4 System State: Run level 3 (multi-user with networking) Other Software None Power software 750W Power Supply:

Power Supply Details Seasonic SSR-750RM Active PFC F3 Max. Power (W) Idle Power (W):

#### power measurement device

#### **Power Analyzer**

156.56.179.146:8888 Power Analyzer: Hardware Vendor: ZES Zimmer ZES LMG450:4-Channel Model:

Min. Temperature (C

Serial Number: 01001849 Input Connection: RS232 USB adapter

Metrology Institute: NIST (National Institute of Standards and

Technology) Calibration By: ZES Zimmer Calibration Label: 3783190001e

Calibration Date: 02.20.2017 PTDaemon Version: 1.8.1 (a497ea15; 2016-12-20)

Setup Description: connected to the single power supply that powers

Current Ranges Used: 0.0A

Voltage Range Used: 130V

#### raw data

#### Results Table

Temperature Meter:

Hardware Vendor:

Serial Number:

Input Connection:

PTDaemon Version:

Setup Description:

Model:

Benchmark	Seconds	Ratio	Energy (kJ)	Maximum Power	Average Power	Energy Ratio	Seconds	Ratio	Energy (kJ)	Maximum Power	Avei Pov
503.postencil	52.4	2.08	12.9	254	245	2.77	54.5	2.00	13.3	252	2
504.polbm	36.4	3.35	9.79	272	269	4.01	36.6	3.33	9.80	272	2
514.pomriq	229	2.71	59.8	267	261	3.09	228	2.72	59.3	267	2
550.pmd	56.6	4.26	15.2	270	268	4.86	57.6	4.18	15.4	271	2
551.ppalm	5182	0.105	<u>690</u>	157	133	0.226	5183	0.105	690	157	- 1
552.pep	64.7	3.57	15.0	234	233	4.87	64.8	3.57	15.2	236	2
553.pclvrleaf	166	6.92	40.9	250	247	8.46	166	6.90	40.9	250	2
554.pcg	213	1.56	36.8	221	173	2.55	214	1.56	36.7	220	- 1
555.pseismic	101	2.79	21.2	275	210	4.33	101	2.79	21.2	275	2
556.psp	64.7	12.6	14.7	236	227	15.5	64.5	12.7	14.7	235	2
557.pcsp	65.6	13.1	16.3	261	249	14.7	65.8	13.1	16.3	259	2
559.pmniGhost	210	1.89	41.3	259	197	2.77	210	1.89	41.1	260	1
560.pilbdc	80.0	8.17	22.1	285	276	8.87	80.0	8.17	22.3	286	2
563.pswim	58.1	2.73	13.1	228	225	3.98	58.4	2.72	13.2	228	2
570.pbt	51.6	15.1	10.5	207	204	19.8	51.4	15.2	10.6	208	2

Results appear in the order in which they were run. Bold underlined text ind

#### **Submit Notes**

The config file option 'submit' was used. submit = numactl -p 1 \$command

#### Platform Notes

Sysinfo program /home/lijunj/spec/accel-test/75/Docs/sysinfo \$Rev: 6965 \$ \$Date:: 2015-04-21 #\$ c05a7f14b1b1765e3fe1df68447e8a35 running on knll.uits.indiana.edu Tue May 2 11:07:12 2017

This section conta some common utilit http://www.spec

#### system confid

From /proc/cpuinfo model name : Intel(R) Xeon Phi(TM) CPU 7210 @ 1.30GHz

1 "physical id"s (chips) 256 "processors"

cores, siblings (Caution: counting these is hw and system dependent. The following excerpts from /proc/cpuinfo might not be reliable. Use with

cpu cores : 64 siblings : 256

physical 0: cores 0 1 2 3 6 7 10 11 12 13 14 15 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 68 69 70 71 72 73

cache size : 1024 KB

From /proc/meminfo MemTotal: 115193108 kB HugePages Total: 0 2048 kB Hugepagesize:

/usr/bin/lsb release -d CentOS Linux release 7.2.1511 (Core)

From /etc/\*release\* /etc/\*version\*

centos-release: CentOS Linux release 7.2.1511 (Core) centos-release-upstream: Derived from Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.2 (Source) NAME-"Con+OC Linuy"

```
VERSION="/ (Core)
     ID="centos"
     ID LIKE="rhel fedora'
     VERSION ID="7'
     PRETTY_NAME="CentOS Linux 7 (Core)"
     ANSI_COLOR="0;31"
    CPE_NAME="cpe:/o:centos:centos:7"
  redhat-release: CentOS Linux release 7.2.1511 (Core)
  system-release: CentOS Linux release 7.2.1511 (Core)
  system-release-cpe: cpe:/o:centos:centos:7
 Linux knl1.uits.indiana.edu 3.10.0-327.13.1.el7.xppsl_1.3.3.151.x86_64 #1 SMP
  Fri Jun 10 15:04:35 UTC 2016 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
run-level 3 May 2 10:51
SPEC is set to: /home/lijunj/spec/accel-test/75
                Type Size Used Avail Use% Mounted on
                 ext4 713G 174G 503G 26% /
Cannot run dmidecode; consider saying 'chmod +s /usr/sbin/dmidecode
(End of data from sysinfo program)
```

#### **General Notes**

```
IOS settings:
Intel Simultaneous Multithreading (SMT): on
Intel Turbo Boost Technology (Turbo) : off
Cluster Mode: quadrant
Memory Mode: flat
(MCDRAM is partitioned to the second NUMA node)
```

Current range for power measurement is 2.5A.

#### **Base Compiler Invocation**

#### benchmarks:

icc

#### Fortran benchmarks:

#### Benchmarks using both Fortran and C:

#### Base Portability Flags

```
503.postencil: -DSPEC USE INNER SIMD
   504.polbm: -DSPEC USE INNER SIMD
  514.pomria: -DSPEC USE INNER SIMD
    550.pmd: -DSPEC USE INNER SIMD -80
   551.ppalm: -DSPEC_USE_INNER_SIMD
    552.pep: -DSPEC_USE_INNER_SIMD
 553.pclvrleaf: -DSPEC_USE_INNER_SIMD
    554.pcg: -DSPEC_USE_INNER_SIMD
 555.pseismic: -DSPEC USE INNER SIMD
     556.psp: -DSPEC USE INNER SIMD
    557.pcsp: -DSPEC_
                      compiler switches
559.pmniGhost: -DSPEC_
   560.pilbdc: -DSPEC
   563.pswim: -DSPEC_USE_INNER_SIMD
```

#### **Base Optimization Flags**

#### Denchmarks:

-O3 -qopenmp -qopenmp-offload=host -xMIC-AVX512

#### Fortran benchmarks:

-O3 -qopenmp -qopenmp-offload=host -xMIC-AVX512

#### Benchmarks using both Fortran and C:

570.pbt: -DSPEC\_USE\_INNER\_SIMD

-O3 -qopenmp -qopenmp-offload=host -xMIC-AVX512

The flags files that were used to format this result can be browsed at https://www.spec.org/accel/flags/Intel-ic17.0-linux64.html, https://www.spec.org/accel/flags/colfax-knl.html.

You can also download the XML flags sources by saving the following links: https://www.spec.org/accel/flags/Intel-ic17.0-linux64.xml, https://www.spec.org/accel/flags/colfax-knl.xml.

## Reportable runs



Create valid/ compliant result for submission:

```
runspec --reportable [..]
```

- --tune [base|all]
- Entire SPEC suite (no single benchmarks)
- Workload: test, train, ref will be run → ref results are taken
  - Verification for all three data set sizes
- #iterations = 3 → median is taken for final reporting
- #threads: one fixed number in base (variable per benchmark in peak)

Configuration disclosure (in config file or with://www.spec.org/omp2012/Docs/runspec.html#section3.1.1

## **Output Files**



- SPEC runs automatically generates:
- Benchmark reports: in txt, pdf, html formats
  - Preview of the result as it would look on the SPEC website
- Raw files, ".rsf",
  - Editable fields includes system and software configuration
  - Non-editable fields: benchmark results are encrypted. Tampering with the results will corrupt the file.
- Log files, ".log", ".log.debug"
  - Verbose output of the benchmark run

## **Submitting results to SPEC**



- Submission of SPEC results
  - 1. Process your rsf-file through rawformat to check for anything missing/ faulty
  - Attach your rsf-file to an e-mail to, e.g., <u>subaccel@spec.org</u> for Accel
  - 3. Receive a reply with a sub-file attached
  - For updates, modify the sub-file and attach to an e-mail to, e.g., resubaccel@spec.org for Accel
- Submitted results reviewed before publication by SPEC committee
  - Schedule: 2 weeks review period before decision

Source: https://www.spec.org/accel/results/accel acc.html
OpenACC (21):

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NVIDIA Corporation	SuperServer 1028GR-TR	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Config	Intel Xeon E5-2698 v3	1.81	1.81		
NVIDIA Corporation	SuperServer 1028GR-TR	HTML   CSV   Text   PDF   PS   Config	Tesla P100-PCIE-16GB	8.02	8.02		
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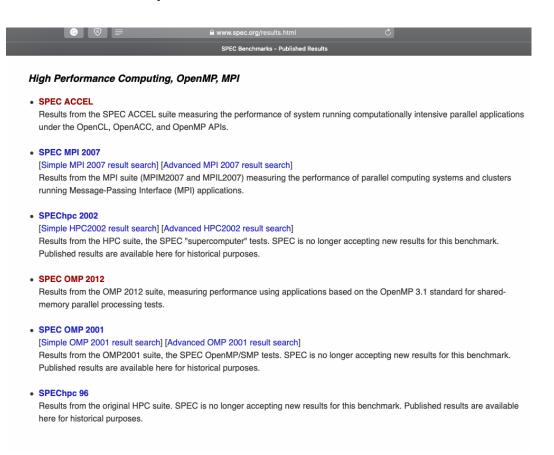
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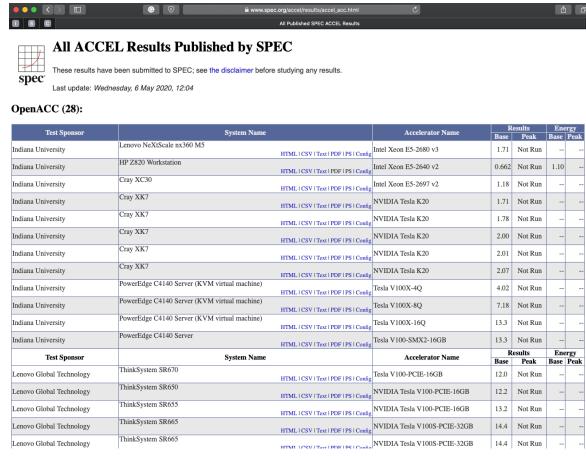


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## Summary of SPEC Benchmark Philosophy

- SPEC benchmarks includes real applications
- SPEC tools maintenances consistency of the runs and check correctness
- SPEC score is speedup comparing to a reference machine, higher is better
- Each benchmark has its run rule
- All performance related aspects need to be documented in the report for reproducibility
- All results submitted to SPEC for publication will go through 2-week peer-review
- Feel free to use SPEC benchmarks for your research, just mark your result as "estimate" if it is not compliant with run rule

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procurement process

### **RFP**

- all major HPC vendors are SPEC members
- they are all familiar with SPEC benchmarks
- easier for vendors to provide you SPEC results than testing your customized application
- application benchmark gives a better correlation to the real life performance
- SPEC peer-review process guarantees fairness

### Acceptance Test

- make sure real applications work well
- compare performance with published SPEC results
- test and find optimal software stack (default compiler, default MPI, etc.)

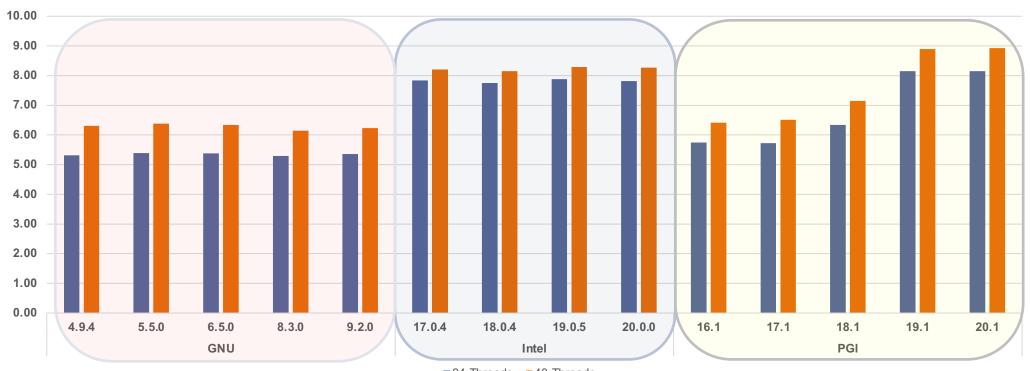


test performance of compilers

### **Compiler Performance on OMP2012**

- no improvement for GNU
- consistent high performance for Intel (especially for Fortran)
- descent improvement over 5 years for PGI (major improvement in Fortran)

OMP2012 Score (Estimate): Dual Xeon E5-2650 v3 (higher is better)





test performance of compilers

### **Compiler Validation**

- GNU OpenACC support under development
- SPEC Accel OpenACC benchmark being used by IU, ORNL, GNU/Mentor Graphics

#### SPEC **Estimated** Scores on V100

benchmark name	GCC/8.1.1 ACC branch *	PGI/18.4
303.ostencil	2.38	13.3
304.olbm	13.6	11.3
314.omriq	2.76	19.0
360.ilbdc	7.55	10.1
Total Score (all 15 codes)	0.40	9.96

- With come hacks, GCC compiles all 15 benchmarks
- GCC currently will run "acc kernels" serially on CPU.
- GCC handles "acc parallel" well.
- 4 out of 15 ACC benchmarks do not use "acc kernels"

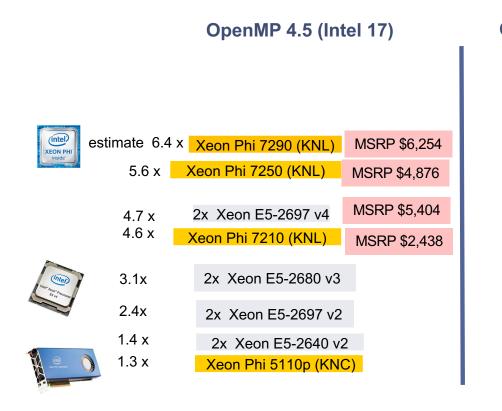
<sup>\*</sup> Info about GCC OpenACC branch: <a href="https://gcc.gnu.org/wiki/OpenACC">https://gcc.gnu.org/wiki/OpenACC</a>

## Compare performance of different architectures

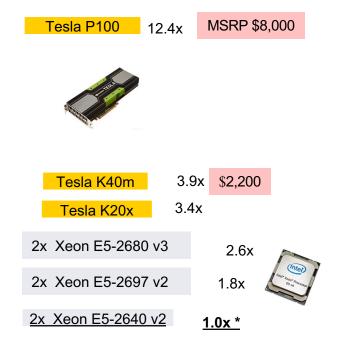


#### GPU vs KNL, which worth investment?

- SPEC Accel OpenACC and OpenMP have same workload, same serial code, different directives
- · based on runtime from in-house test data, published SPEC data and estimate from core/freq



### OpenACC (PGI 17)



derived speedup based on runtime in SPEC Accel OMP and SPEC Accel ACC

<sup>\*</sup> Use dual Xeon E5-2640 v2 OpenACC as baseline

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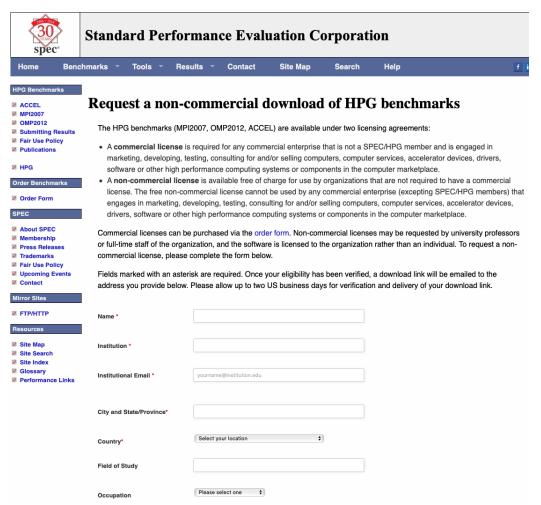
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