Linaro Forge

Debugging and Optimization Tools for HPC
HPC Development Solutions from Linaro

Best in class commercially supported tools for HPC

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Debug
Linaro DDT

Profile
Linaro MAP

Analyse
Linaro Performance Reports

Performance Engineering for any architecture, at any scale
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An interoperable toolkit for debugging and profiling

The de-facto standard for HPC development
- Most widely-used debugging and profiling suite in HPC
- Fully supported by Linaro on Intel, AMD, Arm, Nvidia, AMD GPUs, etc.

State-of-the-art debugging and profiling capabilities
- Powerful and in-depth error detection mechanisms (including memory debugging)
- Sampling-based profiler to identify and understand bottlenecks
- Available at any scale (from serial to exascale applications)

Easy to use by everyone
- Unique capabilities to simplify remote interactive sessions
- Innovative approach to present quintessential information to users
Linaro DDT Debugger Highlights

- The scalable print alternative
- Stop on variable change
- Static analysis warnings on code errors
- Detect read/write beyond array bounds
- Detect stale memory allocations
The Performance Roadmap

Optimizing high performance applications

Improving the efficiency of your parallel software holds the key to solving more complex research problems faster.

This pragmatic, 9 Step best practice guide, will help you identify and focus on application readiness, bottlenecks and optimizations one step at a time.

**Key:**
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- Linaro Performance Reports

**Bugs**
- Correct application
  - Measure all performance aspects.
  - You can’t fix what you can’t see.
  - Prefer real workloads over artificial tests.

**Analyze before you optimize**
- Discover lines of code spending a long time in I/O.
  - Trace and debug slow access patterns.

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**Cores**
- Discover synchronization overhead and core utilization
  - Synchronization-heavy code and implicit barriers are revealed

**Vectorization**
- Understand numerical intensity and vectorization level.
  - Hot loops, unvectorized code and GPU performance revealed

**Memory**
- Reveal lines of code bottlenecked by memory access times.
  - Trace allocation and use of hot data structure

**Workloads**
- Detect issues with balance.
  - Slow communication calls and processes.
  - Dive into partitioning code.

**Communication**
- Track communication performance
  - Discover which communication calls are slow and why.

**Verification**
- Validate corrections and optimal performance
Linaro Performance Reports

Characterize and understand the performance of HPC application runs

Gather a rich set of data
- Analyses metric around CPU, memory, IO, hardware counters, etc.
- Possibility for users to add their own metrics

Build a culture of application performance & efficiency awareness
- Analyses data and reports the information that matters to users
- Provides simple guidance to help improve workloads’ efficiency

Adds value to typical users’ workflows
- Define application behaviour and performance expectations
- Integrate outputs to various systems for validation (eg. continuous integration)
- Can be automated completely (no user intervention)
Linaro MAP Source Code Profiler Highlights

Find the peak memory use
Fix an MPI imbalance
Remove I/O bottleneck
Make sure OpenMP regions make sense
Improve memory access
Restructure for vectorization
MAP Capabilities

MAP is a sampling based scalable profiler

- Built on same framework as DDT
- Parallel support for MPI, OpenMP, CUDA
- Designed for C/C++/Fortran

Designed for ‘hot-spot’ analysis

- Stack traces
- Augmented with performance metrics

Adaptive sampling rate

- Throws data away - 1,000 samples per process
- Low overhead, scalable and small file size
Python Profiling

19.0 adds support for Python
- Call stacks
- Time in interpreter

Works with MPI4PY
- Usual MAP metrics

Source code view
- Mixed language support

Note: Green as operation is on numpy array, so backed by C routine, not Python (which would be pink)

```
map --profile jsrun -n 2 python3 ./diffusion-fv-2d.py
```
Debugging and Performance Engineering for Nvidia and AMD GPUs

Summary: python-profiling.py is Python Interpreter-bound in this configuration

- Compute: 46.7%
- MPI: 0.0%
- I/O: 0.0%
- Python Interpreter: 53.3%
Thank you

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