

# Performance Analysis with Periscope

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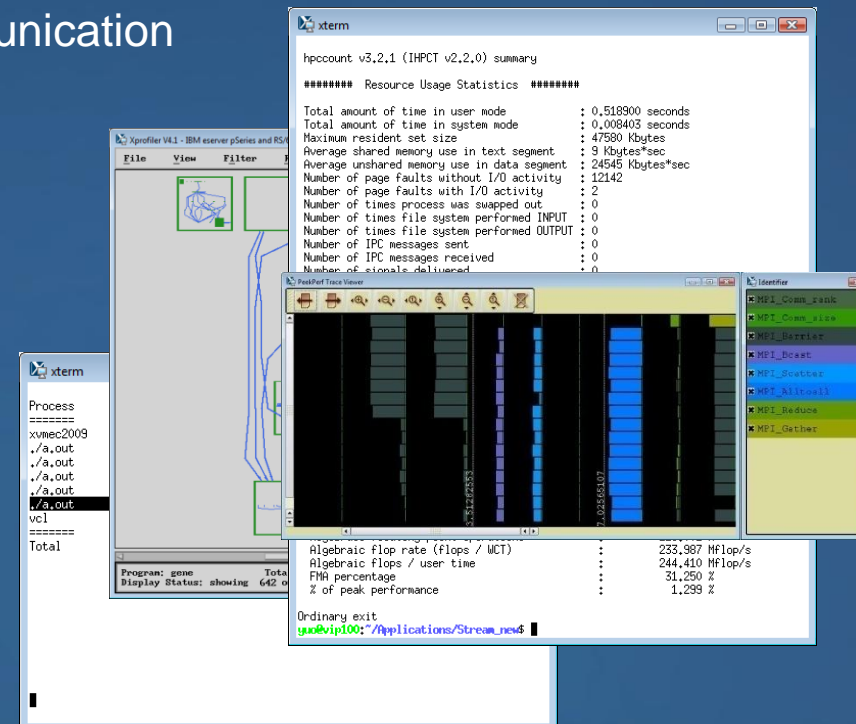
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# Outline

- Motivation
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- Performance analysis automation
- Periscope GUI

# Motivation

- Performance analysis procedure on POWER6 as an example:
  - Use Tprof to pinpoint time consuming subroutines
  - Use Xprofiler (GUI for gprof) to understand call graph
  - Use hpmcount (libhpm) to measure Hardware Counters
  - Use mpitrace to investigate mpi communication
- Problems:
  - Time consuming
  - Error prone
  - Not scalable
  - Requires deep hardware knowledge
- Solution:
  - Performance analysis automation



# Periscope

- **Distributed architecture**
  - Analysis performed by multiple distributed hierarchical agents
- **Iterative online analysis**
  - Measurements are configured, obtained and evaluated on the fly
  - no tracing!
- **Automatic bottlenecks search**
  - Based on performance optimization experts' knowledge
- **Enhanced GUI**
  - Eclipse based integrated development and performance analysis environment
- **Instrumentation**
  - Fortran, C/C++
  - Automatic overhead control

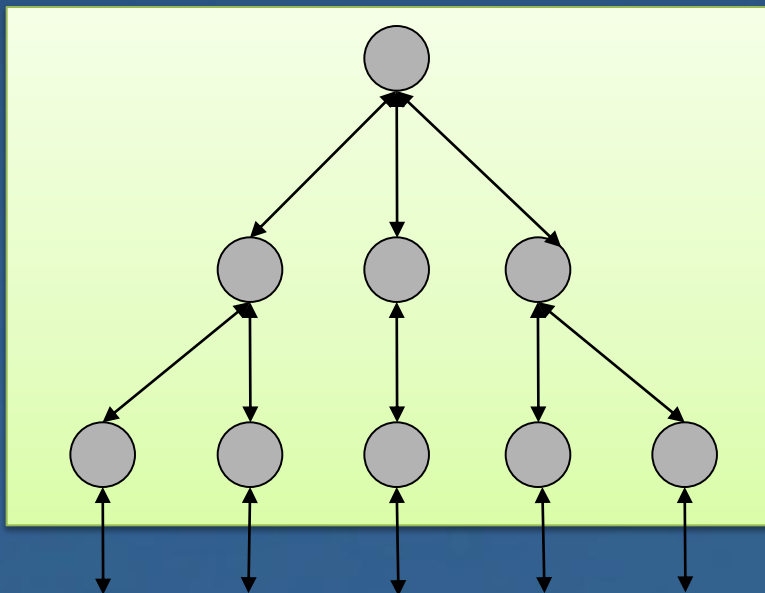
# Distributed Architecture

Graphical User Interface

*Eclipse-based GUI*

Interactive frontend

*Analysis control*

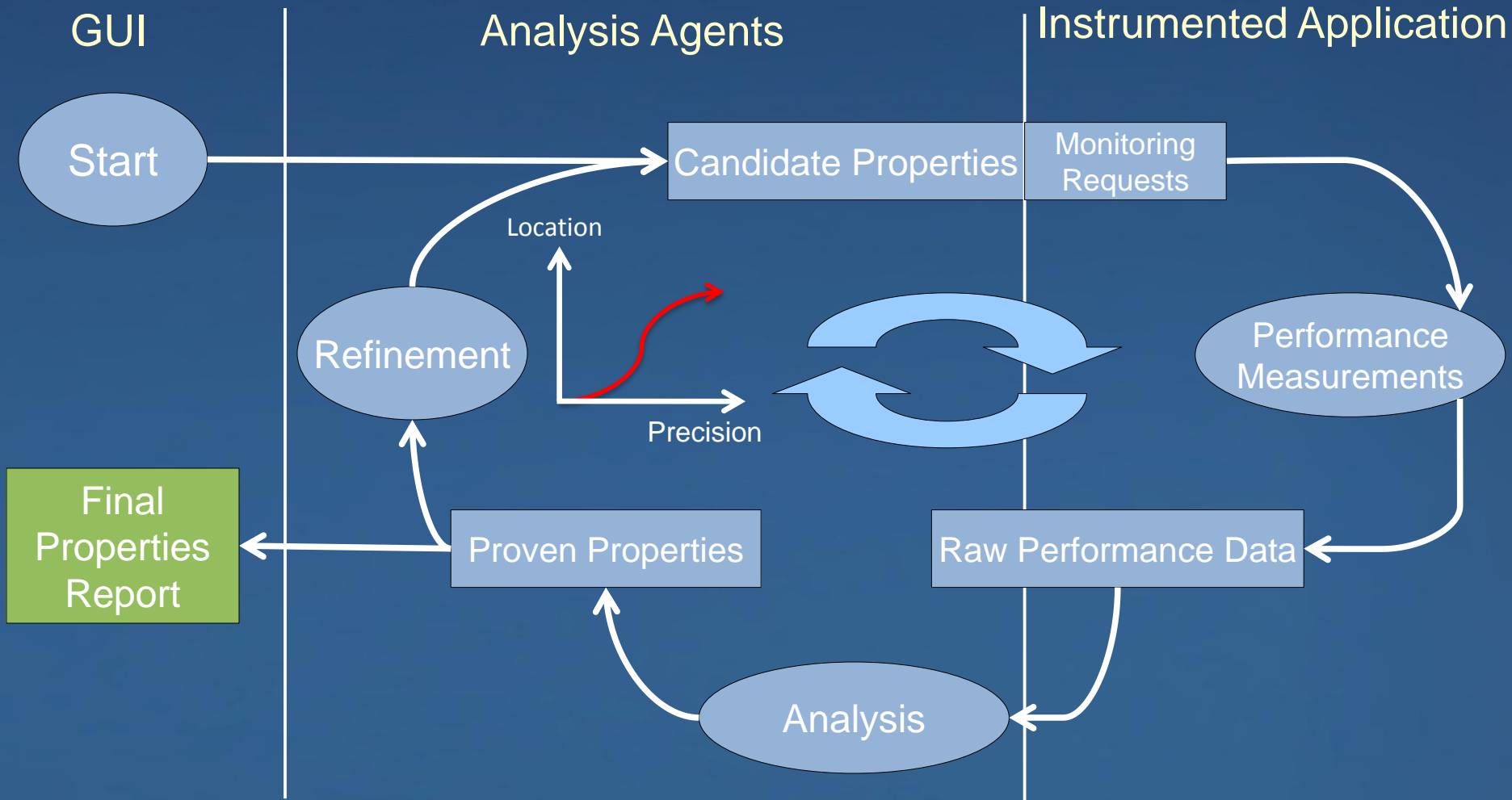


*Agents network*

MRIMonitor/Score-P  
Application

*Monitoring Request Interface*

# Iterative Online Analysis

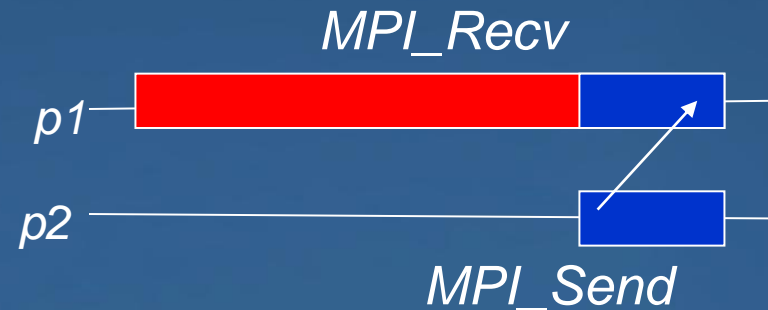


# Automatic search for bottlenecks

- Automation based on formalized expert knowledge
  - Potential performance problems → properties
  - Efficient search algorithm → search strategies
- Performance property
  - Condition
  - Confidence
  - Severity
- Performance analysis strategies
  - Westmere Single-node Analysis
  - Itanium2 Stall Cycle Analysis
  - IBM POWER6 Single Core Performance Analysis
  - MPI Communication Pattern Analysis
  - Generic Memory Analysis
  - OpenMP-based Performance Analysis
  - Scalability Analysis – OpenMP codes

# Example Properties

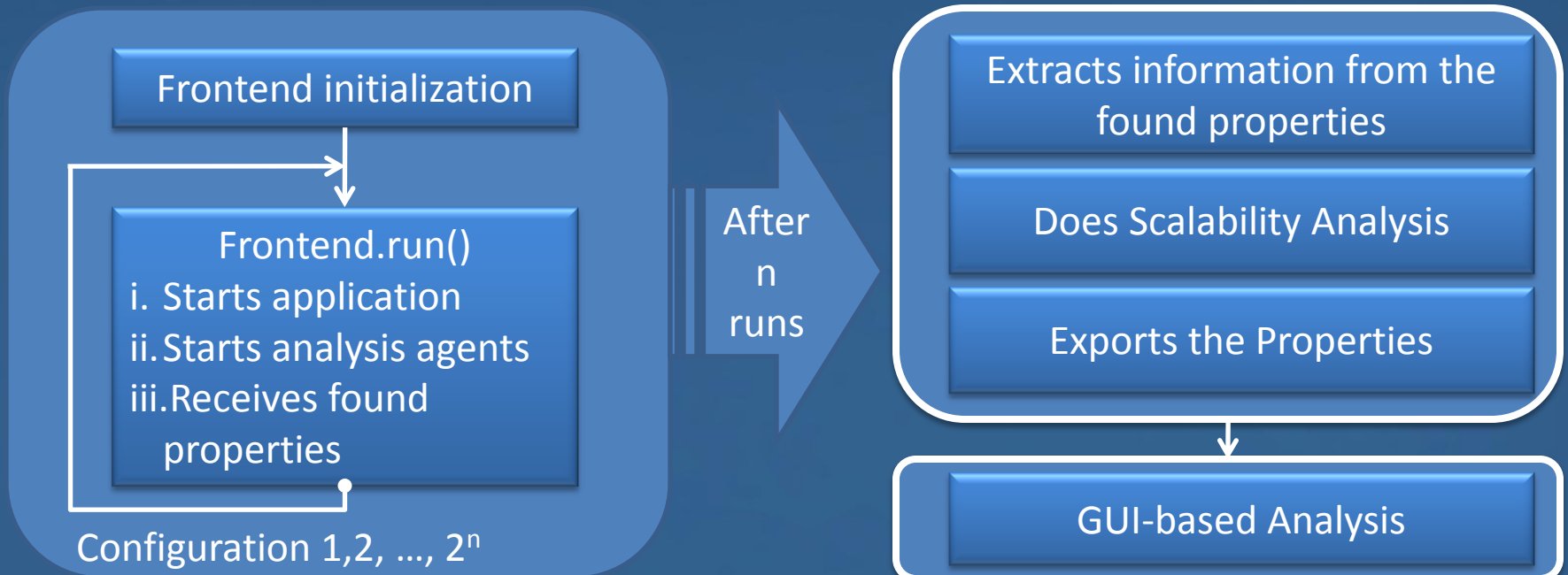
- **StallCycles (Region, Rank, Thread, Metric, Phase)**
  - Condition
    - Percentage of lost cycles >30%
  - Severity
    - Percentage of lost cycles
- **MPI Late Sender**
  - Automatic detection of wait patterns
  - Measurement on the fly
  - No tracing required!
- **OpenMP Synchronization properties**
  - Critical section overhead property
  - Frequent atomic property





# Scalability Analysis – OpenMP codes

- Identifies the OpenMP code regions that do not scale well
- Scalability Analysis is done by the frontend / restarts the application /
- **No need to manually configure the runs and find the speedup!**



Source code view

Project view

The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE interface. The main editor displays Fortran source code for 'velo.f'. Lines 339-342 are highlighted in blue. The Project Explorer on the right shows the 'SIR Outline View' with a tree structure of subroutines: 'subroutine: CRECVXS (0/4)', 'call: MPI\_RECV (4/4)', 'subroutine: VELO (0/6)', 'call: MPI\_RECV (4/4)', and 'call: MPI\_ALLREDUCE (2/2)'. The status bar at the bottom indicates '0 Loaded - 13 Shown - 1 Selected'.

SIR outline view

| Name  | Filename  | RFL | Sever... | Region      | Process   |
|---|-----------|-----|----------|-------------|---|
| Excessive MPI time due to late process in allre |           |     | 5,77     | Types Group |   |
| Excessive MPI time due to late process in a     | velo.f    | 528 | 5,77     | CALL_REGION | 255   |
| Excessive MPI time in receive due to late senc  |           |     | 34,81    | Types Group |   |
| Excessive MPI time in receive due to late se    | crecvxs.f | 12  | 27,24    | CALL_REGION | 15, 31, 47, 63, 79, 95, 111, 127, 143, 159, ... |
| Excessive MPI time in receive due to late se    | velo.f    | 339 | 50,02    | CALL_REGION | 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 24...   |
| Excessive MPI time in receive due to late se    | velo.f    | 339 | 33,72    | CALL_REGION | 255   |
| Excessive MPI time in receive due to late se    | crecvxs.f | 12  | 28,27    | CALL_REGION | 255   |
| Excessive MPI communication time                |           |     | 29,09    | Types Group |   |
| Excessive MPI communication time                | velo.f    | 339 | 50,05    | CALL_REGION | 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 24...   |
| Excessive MPI communication time                | crecvxs.f | 12  | 28,45    | CALL_REGION | 255   |
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| Excessive MPI communication time                | velo.f    | 528 | 5,77     | CALL_REGION | 255   |
| Excessive MPI communication time                | velo.f    | 339 | 33,73    | CALL_REGION | 255   |

Properties view

# Thank you for your attention!

- Current version 1.4
  - Available under: <http://www.lrr.in.tum.de/periscope/Download>
- Supported architectures
  - SGI Altix 4700 Itanium2
  - IBM Power575 POWER6
  - IBM BlueGene/P
  - x86/x64-based architectures
- Further information:
  - Periscope web page: <http://www.lrr.in.tum.de/periscope>
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