



25th VI-HPS Tuning Workshop

RWTH Aachen University IT Center, Aachen, Germany



27-31 March 2017

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▪ Tools instructors

- Alexandru Calotoiu (Technische Universität Darmstadt)
- Christian Feld, Marc-André Hermanns & Brian Wylie (Jülich Supercomputing Centre)
- Judit Giménez & Lau Mercadal (Barcelona Supercomputing Center)
- Joachim Protze (RWTH Aachen University)
- Sameer Shende (University of Oregon)
- Cédric Valensi & Emmanuel Oseret (Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin)
- Bert Wesarg (Technische Universität Dresden)

▪ Local organisation

- Agnes Ramalho-Mendes, Dirk Schmidl, etc.

▪ Sponsor: Gauss Centre for Supercomputing PRACE Advanced Training Centre

Outline

Monday 27 April

- 10:00 [Optional] Individual preparation of participants' own codes
- 12:45 (*provided on-site lunch*)
- 14:00 Welcome [Dirk Schmidl, RWTH]
 - **Introduction to VI-HPS and overview of tools** [Brian Wylie, JSC]
 - **Introduction to parallel performance engineering** [Marc-André Hermanns, JSC]
- 15:30 (*break*)
- 16:00 Lab setup
 - **CLAIX computer system and software environment** [Dirk Schmidl, RWTH]
 - **Building & running NPB-MZ-MPI/BT-MZ on CLAIX cluster** [Brian Wylie, JSC]
 - Preparation of participants' own codes on workshop computer systems
- 17:30 Review of day and schedule for remainder of workshop
- 18:00 (*adjourn*)

For remainder of week:

- Hands-on exercises part of each presentation to familiarise with tools every morning session
- Hands-on coaching to apply tools to analyse and tune your own codes each afternoon

Outline of rest of week

Tuesday 28 March

- 09:00-10:30 **Score-P instrumentation & measurement** [Christian Feld & Bert Wesarg]
- 11:00-12:30 **CUBE profile explorer** [Marc-André Hermanns, JSC]
Scalasca automated trace analysis [Brian Wylie, JSC]
- 19:00- **PRACE Social Event: Restaurant Macaroni**

Wednesday 29 March

- 09:00-10:30 **Vampir interactive trace analysis** [Bert Wesarg, TUDresden]
- 11:00-12:30 **Paraver tracing tools suite** [Judit Giménez & Lau Mercadal, BSC]

Thursday 30 March

- 09:00-10:30 **MAQAO performance analysis tools** [Cédric Valensi & Emmanuel Oseret, UVSQ]
- 11:00-12:30 **TAU performance system** [Sameer Shende, U. Oregon]

Friday 31 March

- 09:00-10:30 **MUST/ARCHER runtime error detection** [Joachim Protze, RWTH]
- 11:00-12:30 **Extra-P automated performance modelling** [Alexandru Calotoiu, TUDarmstadt]
- 12:30-12:45 Conclusion & Review

Participant survey

We'd like to know a little background information about you, your application code(s), and your expectations and desires from this workshop

- What programming language(s) do you use?
 - Fortran, C, C++, multi-language, ...
- What parallelisation mode(s) do you use?
 - only MPI, only OpenMP, mixed-mode/hybrid MPI+OpenMP, ...
- What platforms/systems *must* your code run well on?
 - Cray, IBM BlueGene, Linux cluster, ...
- Are you already familiar with *serial* performance analysis? Using which tools?
 - time, print/printf, prof/gprof, VTune, ...
- Are you already familiar with *parallel* performance analysis? Using which tools?
 - time, print/printf, prof/gprof, ITAC, Paraver, Scalasca, TAU, Vampir, ...

Prepare to analyse your own application code(s)

- Ensure that your application code(s) build and run correctly to completion with appropriate datasets
 - initial configuration should ideally run in less than 15 minutes with 1-4 compute nodes
 - to facilitate rapid turnaround and quick experimentation
 - larger/longer scalability configurations are also interesting
 - turnaround may be limited due to busyness of batch queues, but perhaps overnight
- Compare your application performance on other computer systems
 - VI-HPS tools are already installed on many HPC systems
 - if not, ask your system administrator to install them (or install a personal copy yourself)

Disclaimer

Tools will ***not*** automatically make you, your applications or computer systems more productive.

However, they can help you understand ***how*** your parallel code executes and ***when / where*** it's necessary to work on correctness and performance issues.

Evaluation / Feedback

- Please also complete and return the VI-HPS workshop paper form, which provides valuable feedback
 - to tools developers for improving their tools and training material
 - to improve future workshops and training events
 - can be anonymous if desired
- Tools support queries and bug reports are also welcome
 - should be submitted to respective support mailing lists