Analysis report examination with Cube

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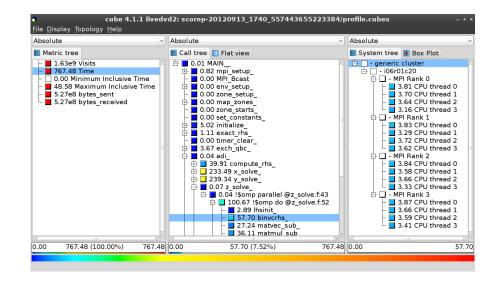






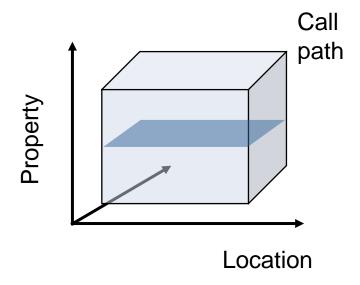
Cube

- Parallel program analysis report exploration tools
 - Libraries for XML+binary report reading & writing
 - Algebra utilities for report processing
 - GUI for interactive analysis exploration
 - Requires Qt4 ≥4.6 or Qt 5
- Originally developed as part of the Scalasca toolset
- Now available as a separate component
 - Can be installed independently of Score-P, e.g., on laptop or desktop
 - Latest release: Cube v4.4.1 (September 2018)



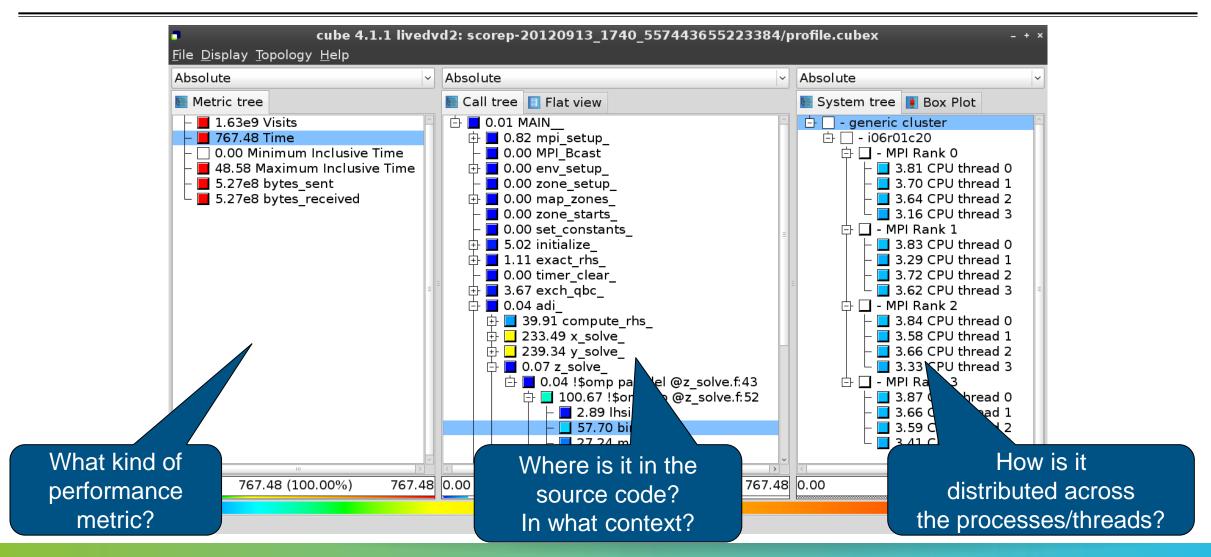
Analysis presentation and exploration

- Representation of values (severity matrix)
 on three hierarchical axes
 - Performance property (metric)
 - Call path (program location)
 - System location (process/thread)
- Three coupled tree browsers
- Cube displays severities
 - As value: for precise comparison
 - As color: for easy identification of hotspots
 - Inclusive value when closed & exclusive value when expanded
 - Customizable via display modes



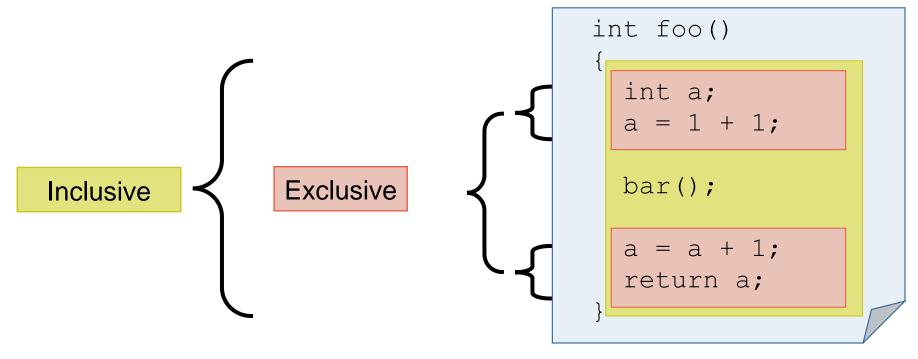


Analysis presentation



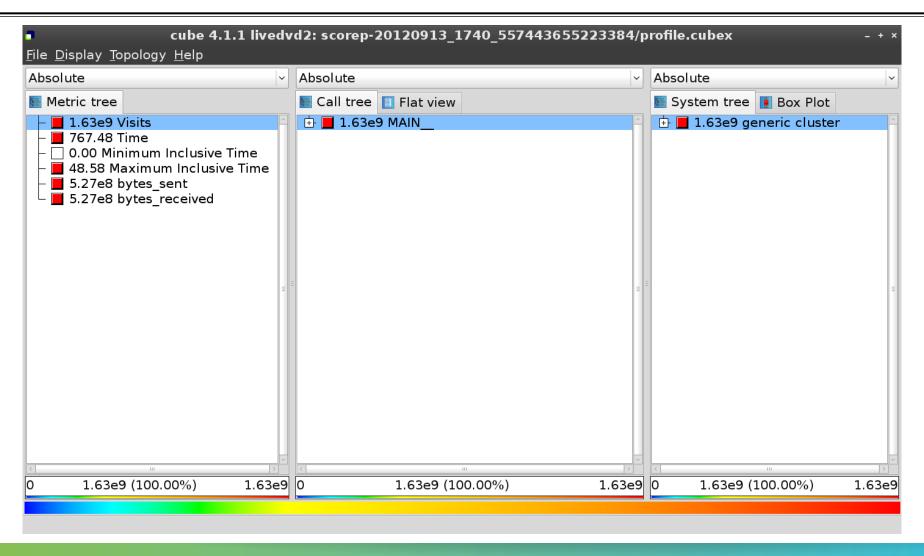
Inclusive vs. exclusive values

- Inclusive
 - Information of all sub-elements aggregated into single value
- Exclusive
 - Information cannot be subdivided further



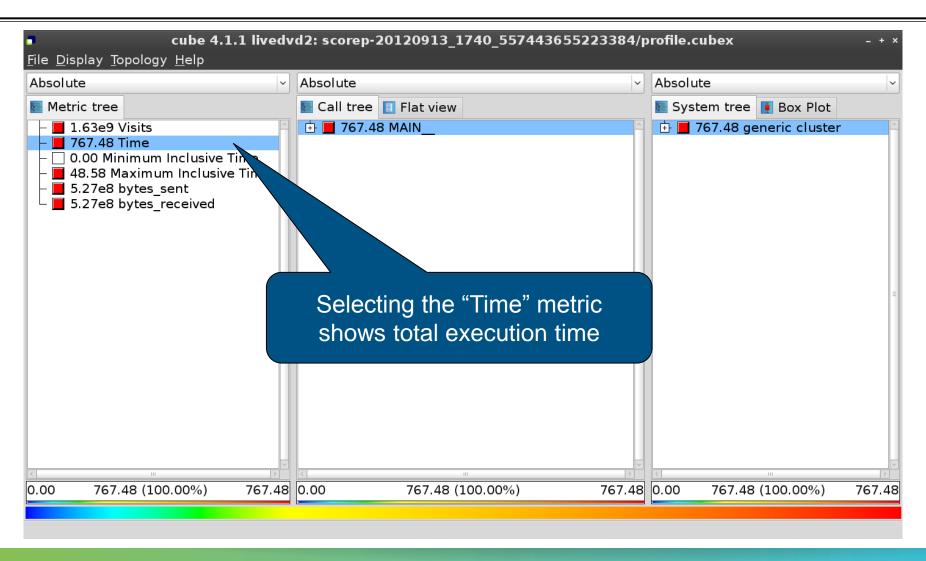
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Score-P analysis report exploration (opening view)



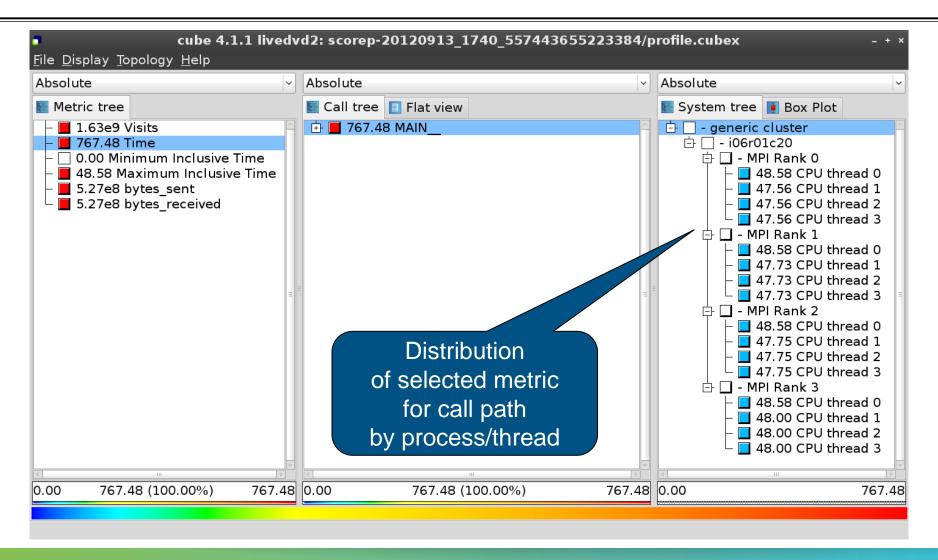


Metric selection



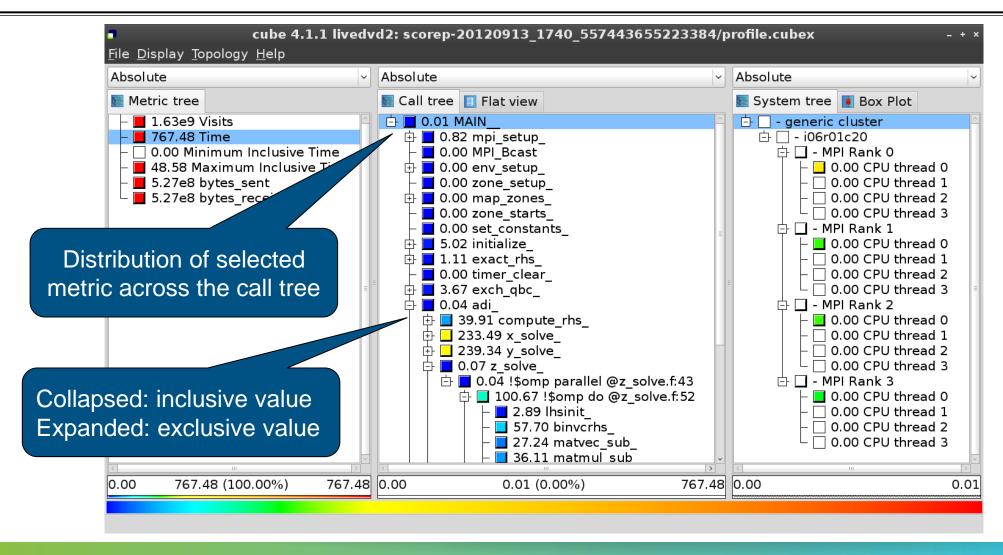


Expanding the system tree



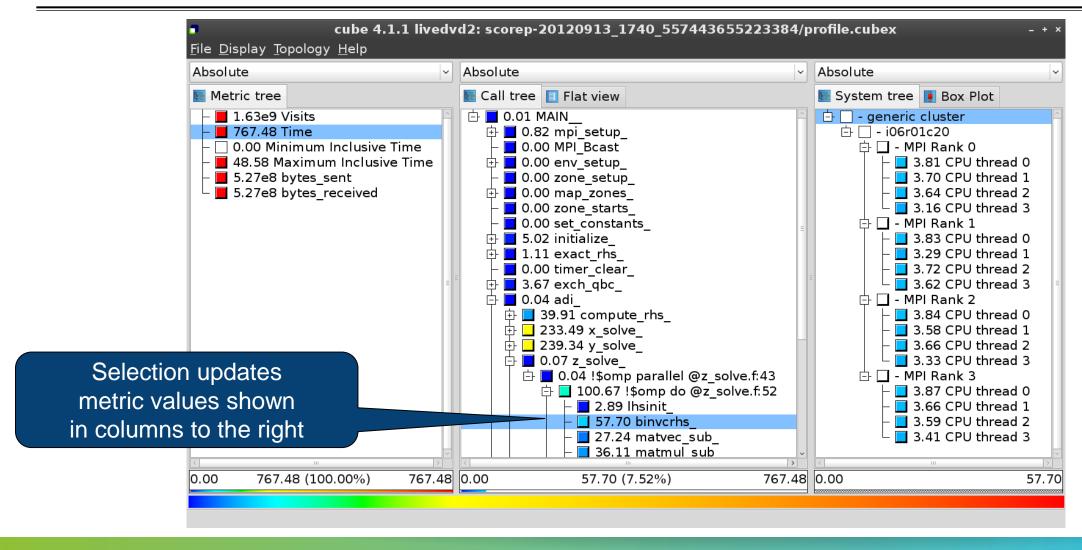


Expanding the call tree



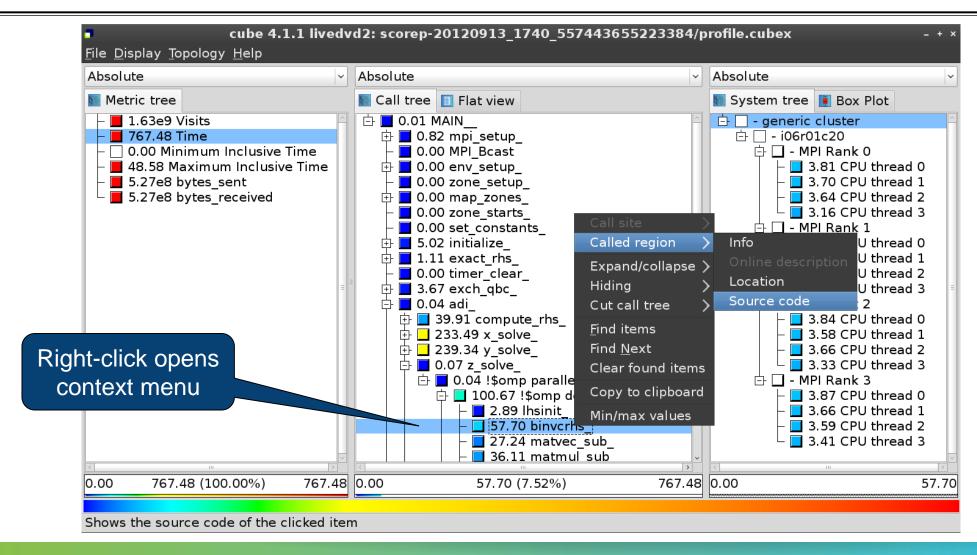
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Selecting a call path



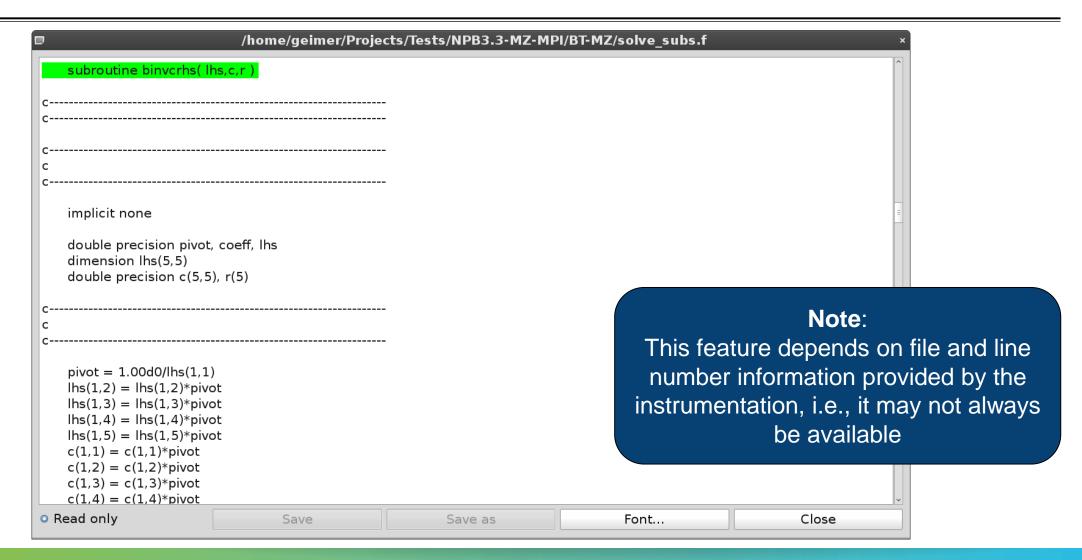


Source-code view via context menu



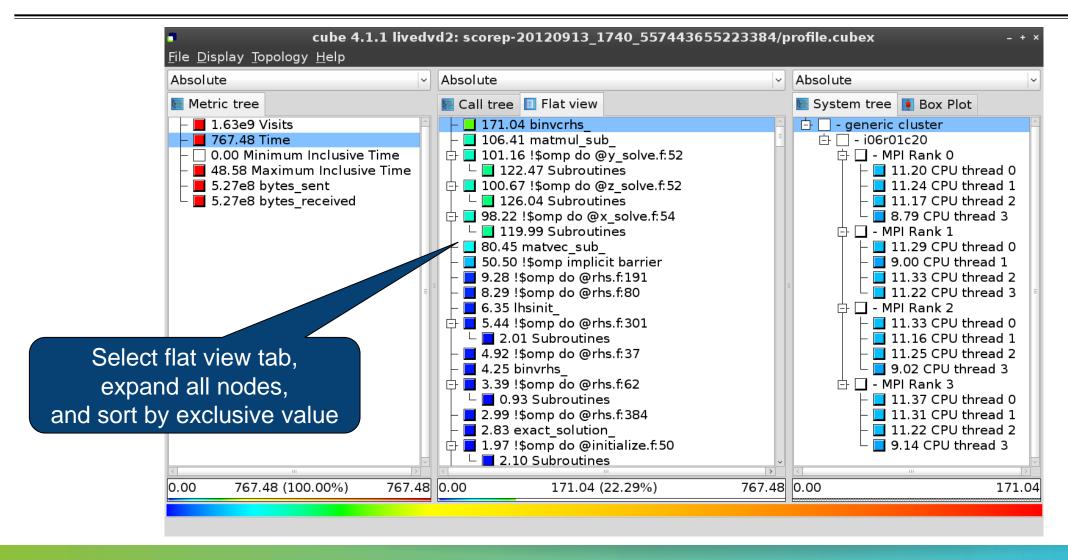


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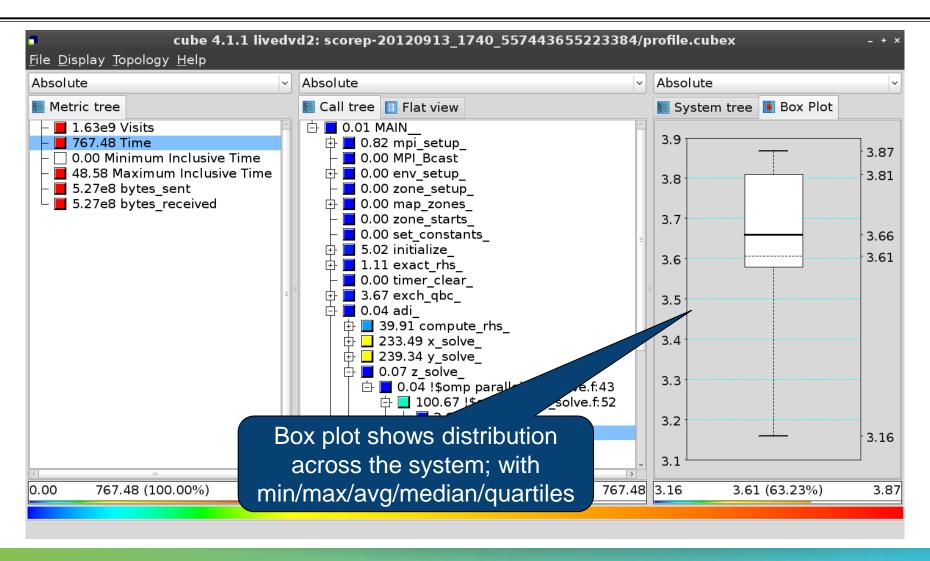


Flat profile view



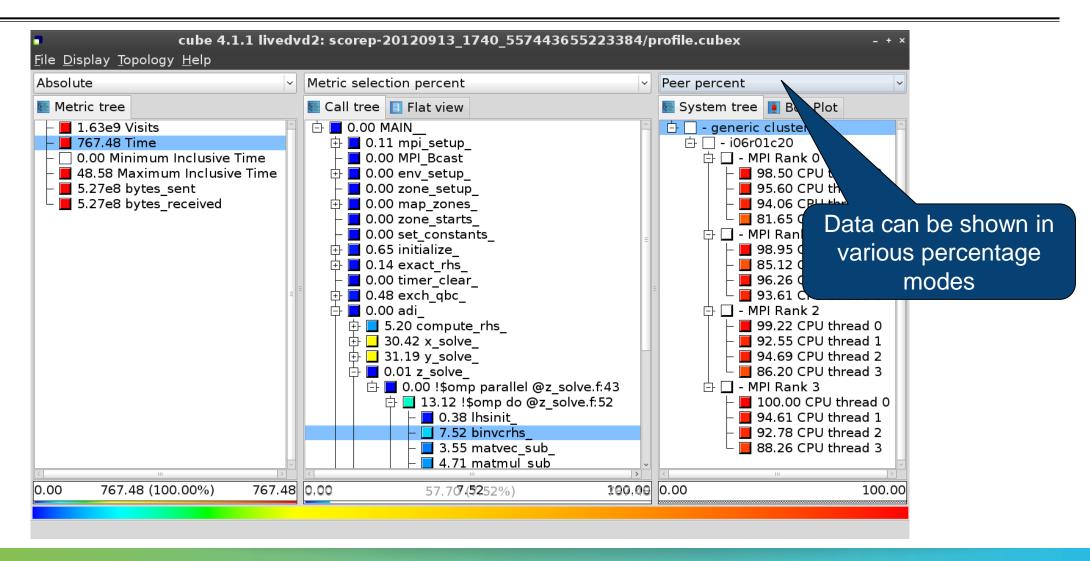


Box plot view





Alternative display modes



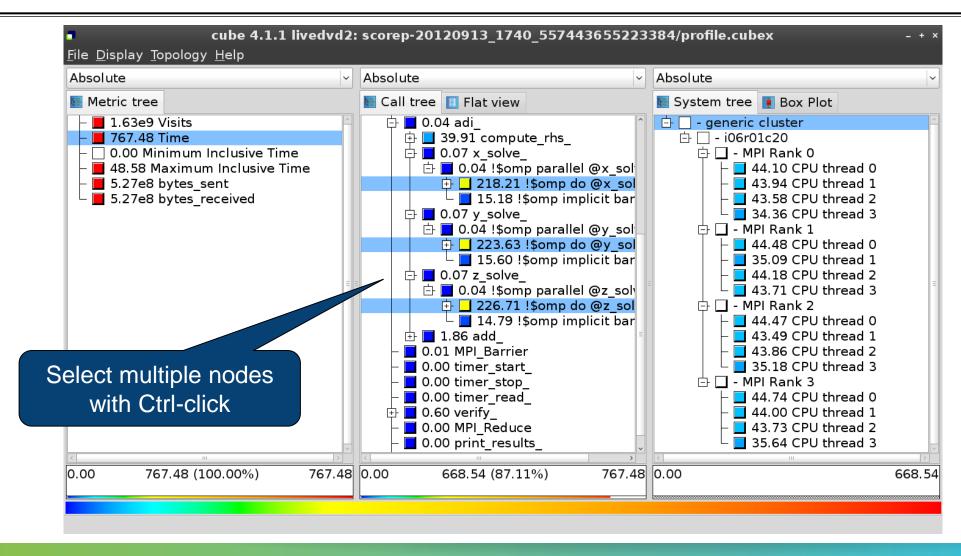


Important display modes

- Absolute
 - Absolute value shown in seconds/bytes/counts
- Selection percent
 - Value shown as percentage w.r.t. the selected node "on the left" (metric/call path)
- Peer percent (system tree only)
 - Value shown as percentage relative to the maximum peer value

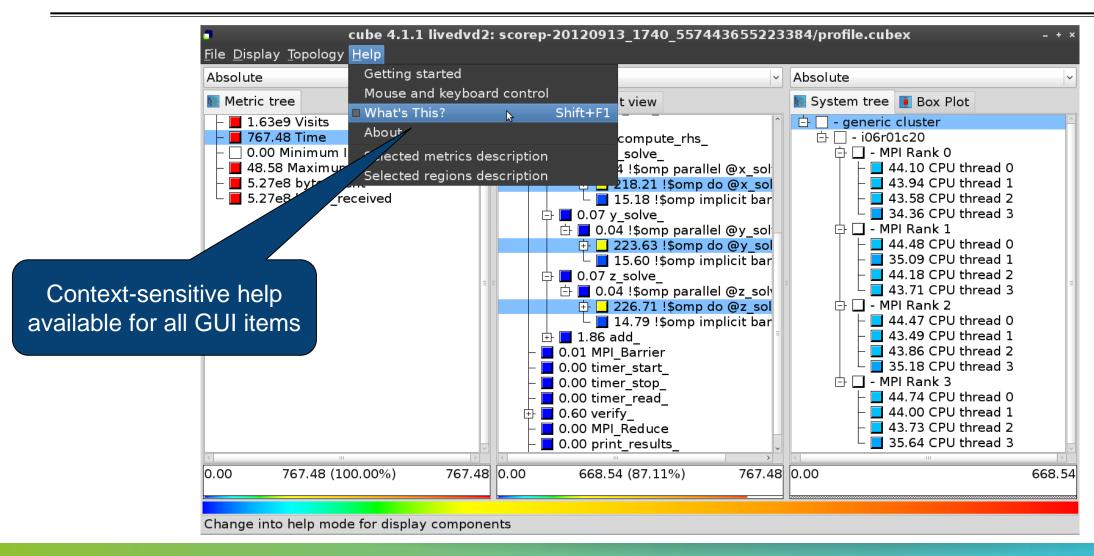


Multiple selection





Context-sensitive help



Derived metrics

Derived metrics are defined using CubePL expressions, e.g.:

metric::time(i)/metric::visits(e)

- Values of derived metrics are not stored, but calculated on-the-fly
- Types of derived metrics:
 - Prederived: evaluation of the CubePL expression is performed before aggregation
 - Postderived: evaluation of the CubePL expression is performed after aggregation
- Examples:
 - "Average execution time": Postderived metric with expression

```
metric::time(i)/metric::visits(e)
```

"Number of FLOP per second": Postderived metric with expression

metric::FLOP()/metric::time()

CUBE algebra utilities

Extracting solver sub-tree from analysis report

```
% cube_cut -r '<<ITERATION>>' scorep_bt-mz_C_32x4_sum/profile.cubex
Writing cut.cubex... done.
```

Calculating difference of two reports

```
% cube_diff scorep_bt-mz_C_32x4_sum/profile.cubex cut.cubex Writing diff.cubex... done.
```

- Additional utilities for merging, calculating mean, etc.
- Default output of cube_utility is a new report utility.cubex
- Further utilities for report scoring & statistics
- Run utility with `-h' (or no arguments) for brief usage info

Iteration profiling

- Show time dependent behavior by "unrolling" iterations
- Preparations:
 - Mark loop body by using Score-P instrumentation API in your source code

```
SCOREP_USER_REGION_DEFINE( scorep_bt_loop )
SCOREP_USER_REGION_BEGIN( scorep_bt_loop, "<<bt_iter>>", SCOREP_USER_REGION_END( scorep_bt_loop )
```

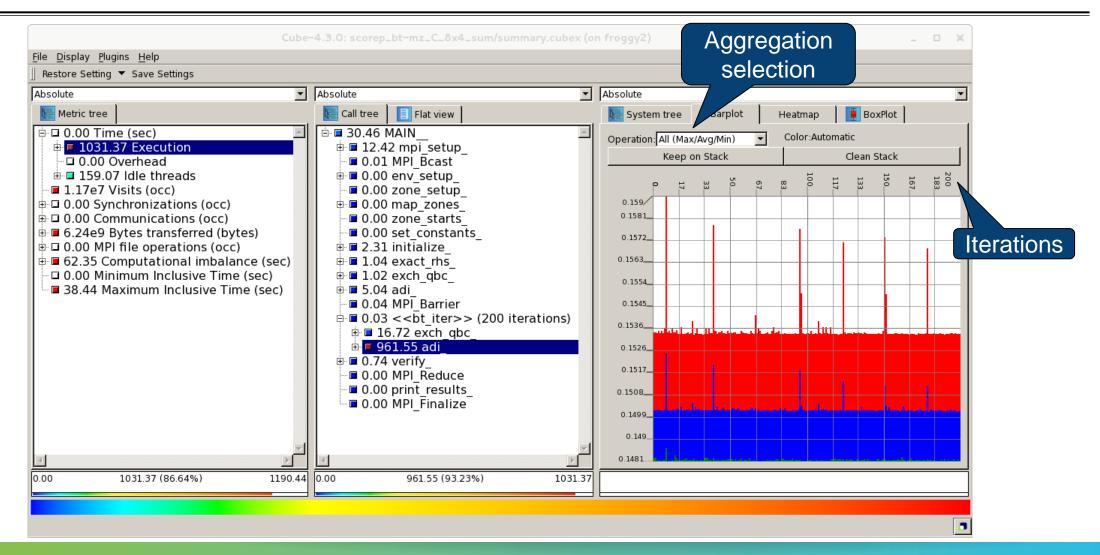
- Result in the Cube profile:
 - Iterations shown as separate call trees
 - > Useful for checking results for specific iterations

or

- Select your user-instrumented region and mark it as loop
- Choose "Hide iterations"
- ➤ View the Barplot statistics or the (thread x iterations) Heatmap

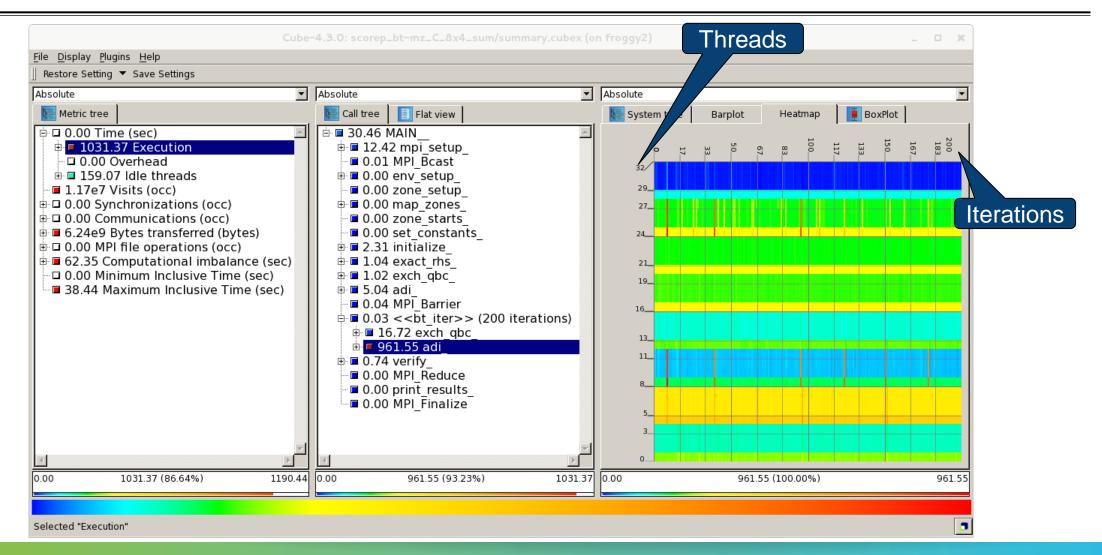


Iteration profiling: Barplot





Iteration profiling: Heatmap



Cube: Further information

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- Available under 3-clause BSD open-source license
- Documentation & sources:
 - http://www.scalasca.org
- User guide also part of installation:
 - cube-config --cube-dir \ /share/doc/CubeGuide.pdf
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