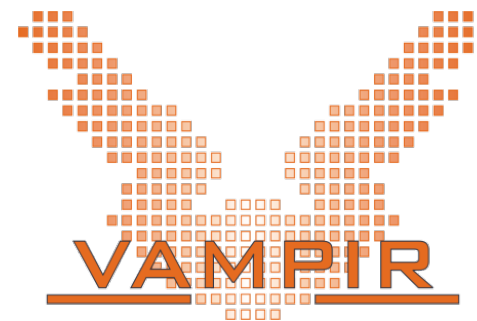


Performance Analysis with Vampir

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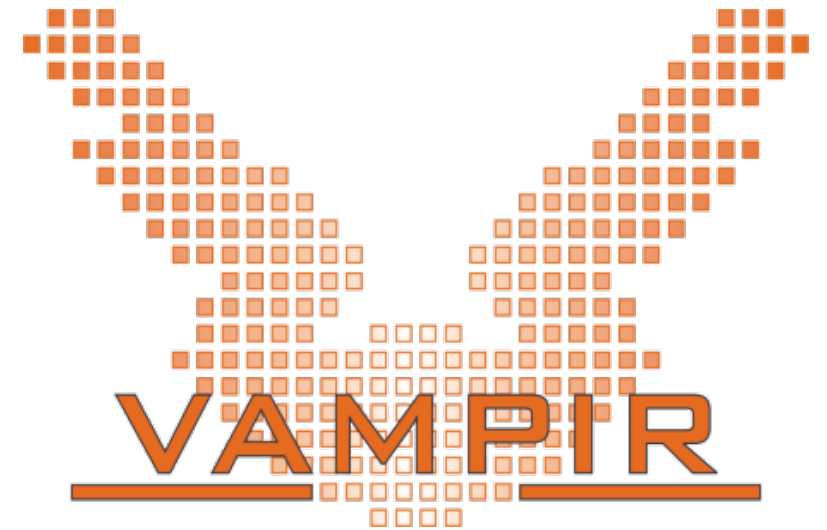
Outline

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- The Vampir Displays
- Vampir & VampirServer

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- Visualizing and Analyzing NPB-MZ-MPI / BT

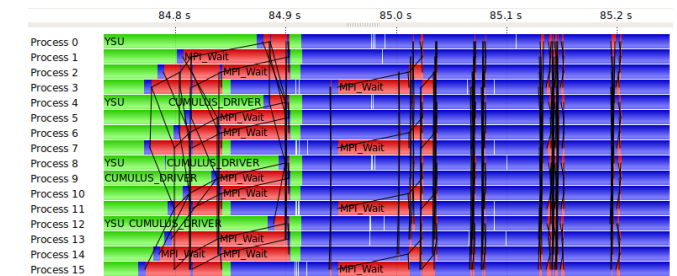


Event Trace Visualization with Vampir

- Visualization of dynamic runtime behaviour at any level of detail along with statistics and performance metrics
- Alternative and supplement to automatic analysis
- Typical questions that Vampir helps to answer**
 - What happens in my application execution during a given time in a given process or thread?
 - How do the communication patterns of my application execute on a real system?
 - Are there any imbalances in computation, I/O or memory usage and how do they affect the parallel execution of my application?

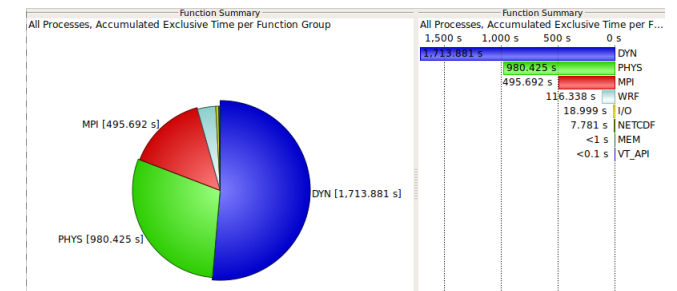
Timeline charts

- Application activities and communication along a time axis



Summary charts

- Quantitative results for the currently selected time interval

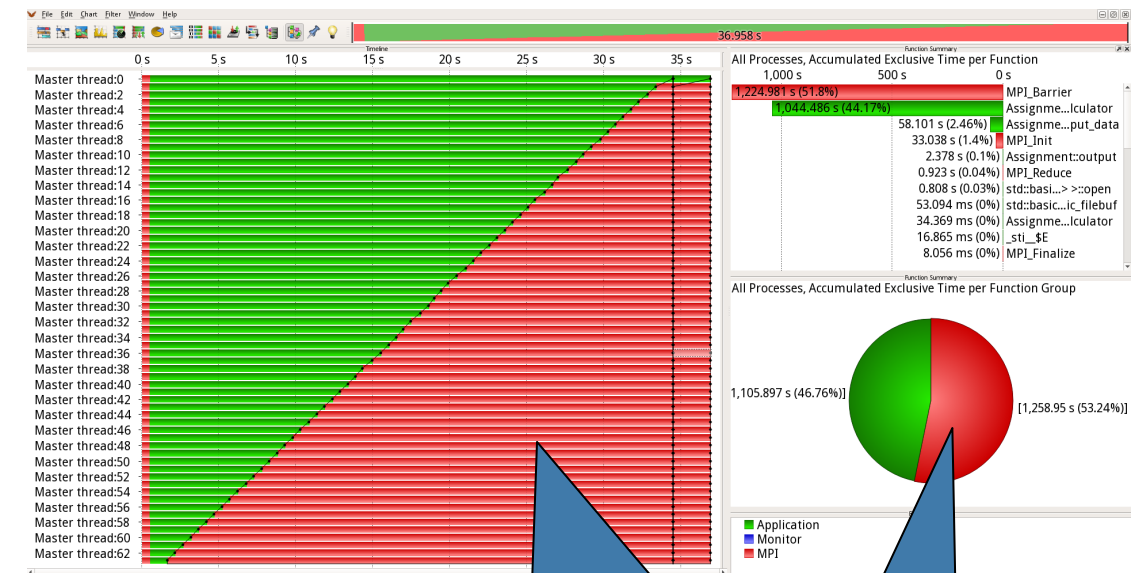


Event Trace Visualization with Vampir

The value of seeing how an application executes on the machine

- Application code computing coulomb forces
- The workload was distributed evenly across available processes
- The user expected perfect parallelized code
- However the underlying algorithm worked differently than expected

Visualization of the application execution instantly shows a problem in the parallelization approach



Large imbalance instantly visible

More than 50% application time wasted!

Main Performance Charts of Vampir

Timeline Charts



Master Timeline



all threads' activities



Process Timeline



single thread's activities



Summary Timeline



all threads' function call statistics



Performance Radar



all threads' performance metrics



Counter Data Timeline



single threads' performance metrics



I/O Timeline



all threads' I/O activities

Summary Charts



Function Summary



Process Summary



Message Summary



Communication Matrix View



I/O Summary

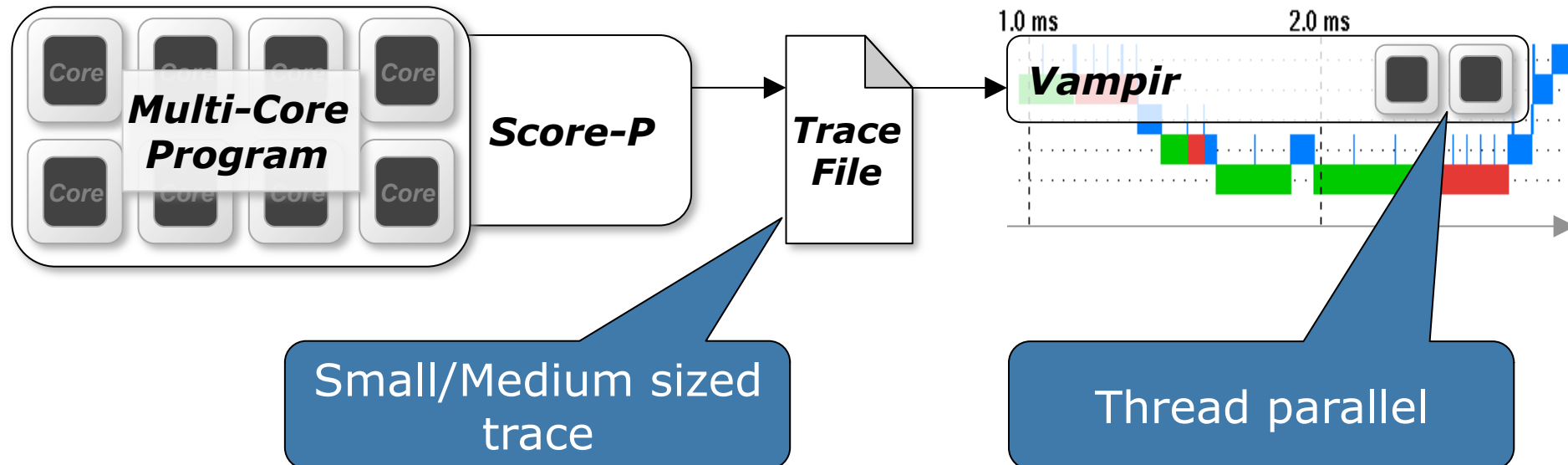


Call Tree

Visualization Modes (1)

Directly on front end or local machine

```
% vampir
```

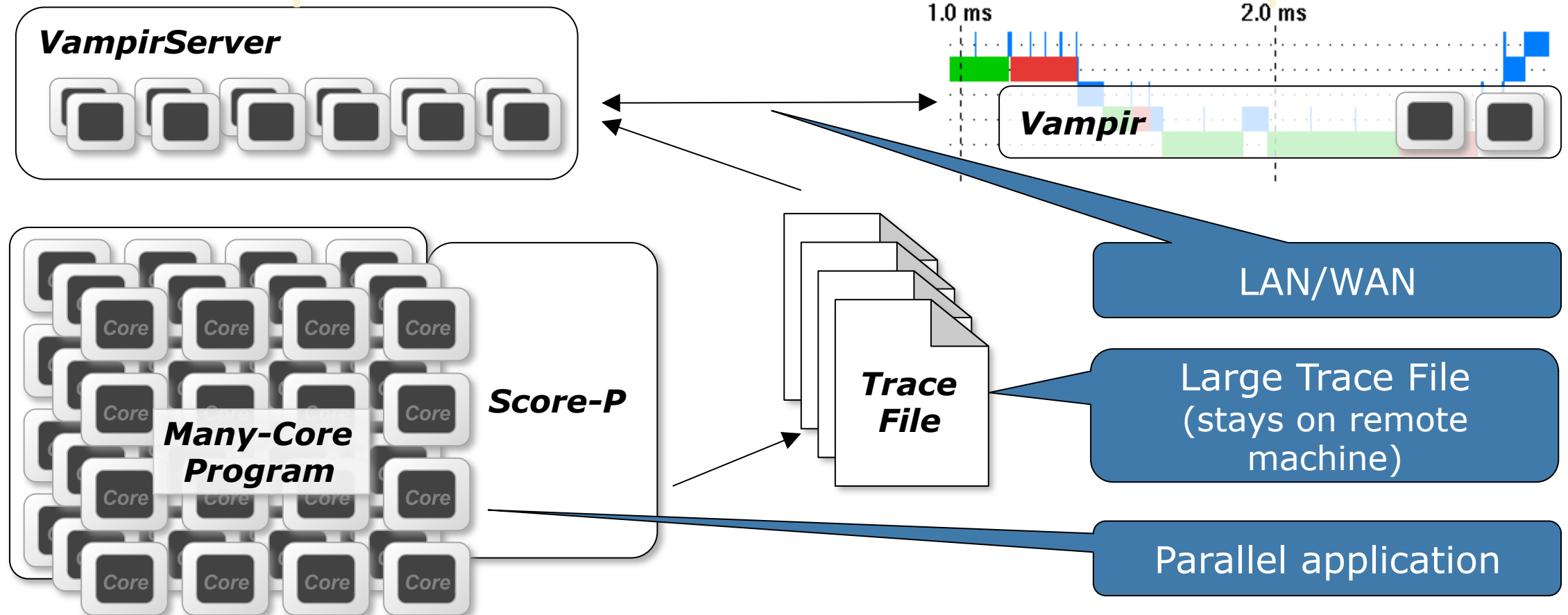


Visualization Modes (2)

On local machine with remote VampirServer

```
% vampirserver start
```

```
% vampir
```



Hands-on: Visualizing and analyzing NPB-MZ-MPI / BT

Help! Where is my trace file?

```
% ls <working_directory>/NPB3.3-MZ-MPI/bin.scorep/  
> scorep_bt-mz_C_8x4_trace  
profile.cubex  scorep.cfg  traces/  traces.def  traces.otf2  
  
% ls /home/nct00/nct00006/trace-examples  
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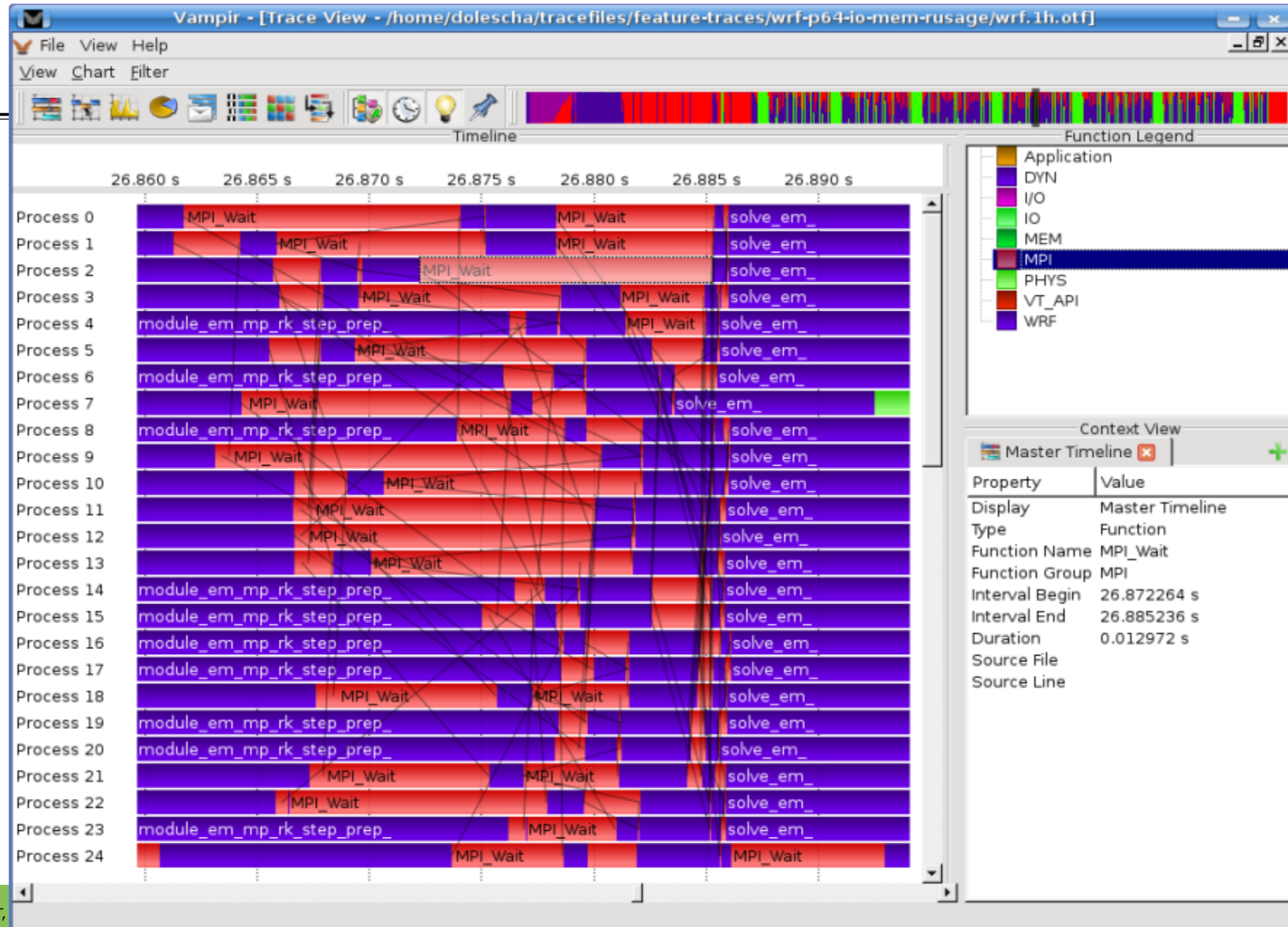
- If you followed the Score-P hands-on up to the trace experiment
- If you did not follow to that point, take a prepared trace

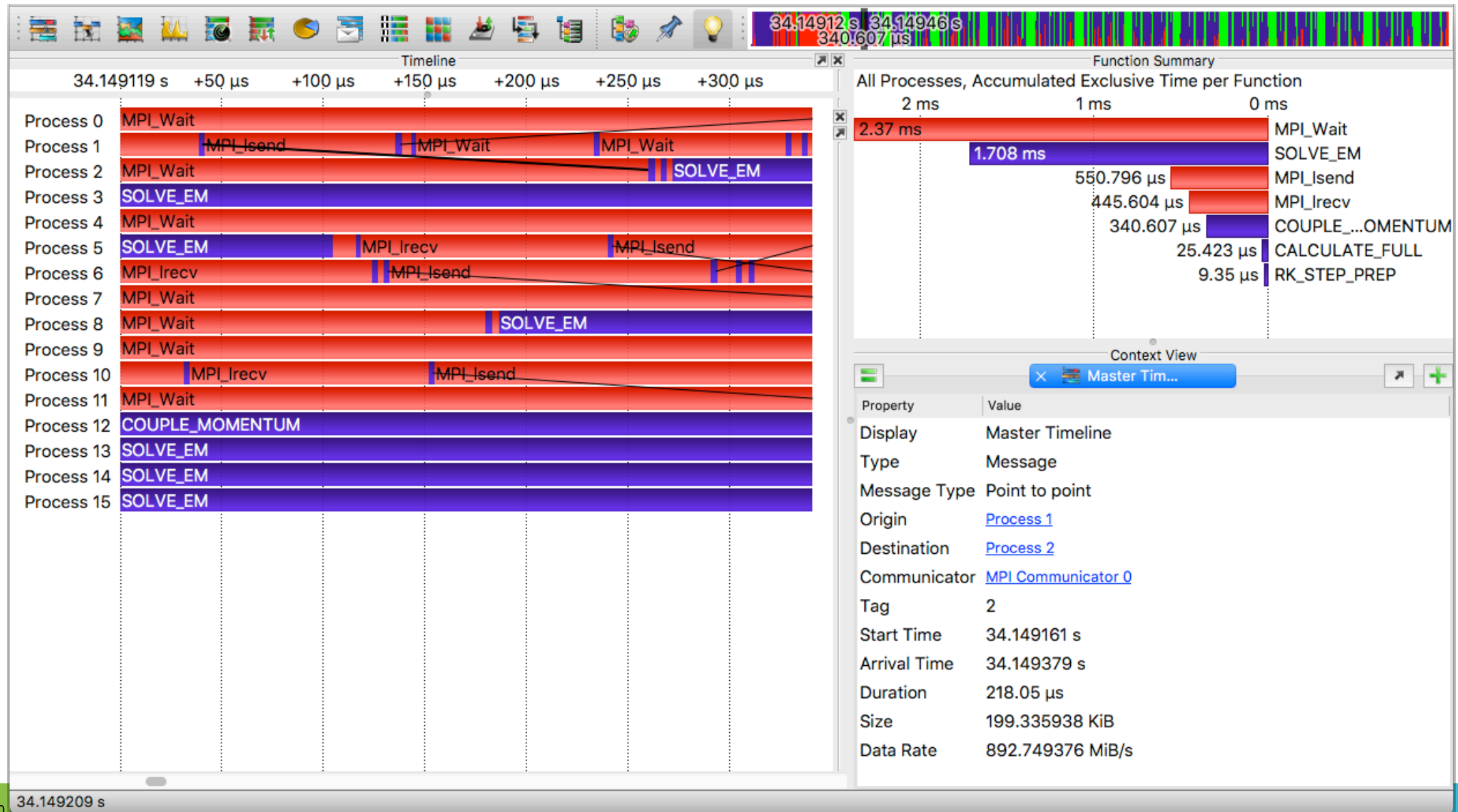
Start Vampir

```
% export PATH=$PATH:/home/nct00/nct00006/bin

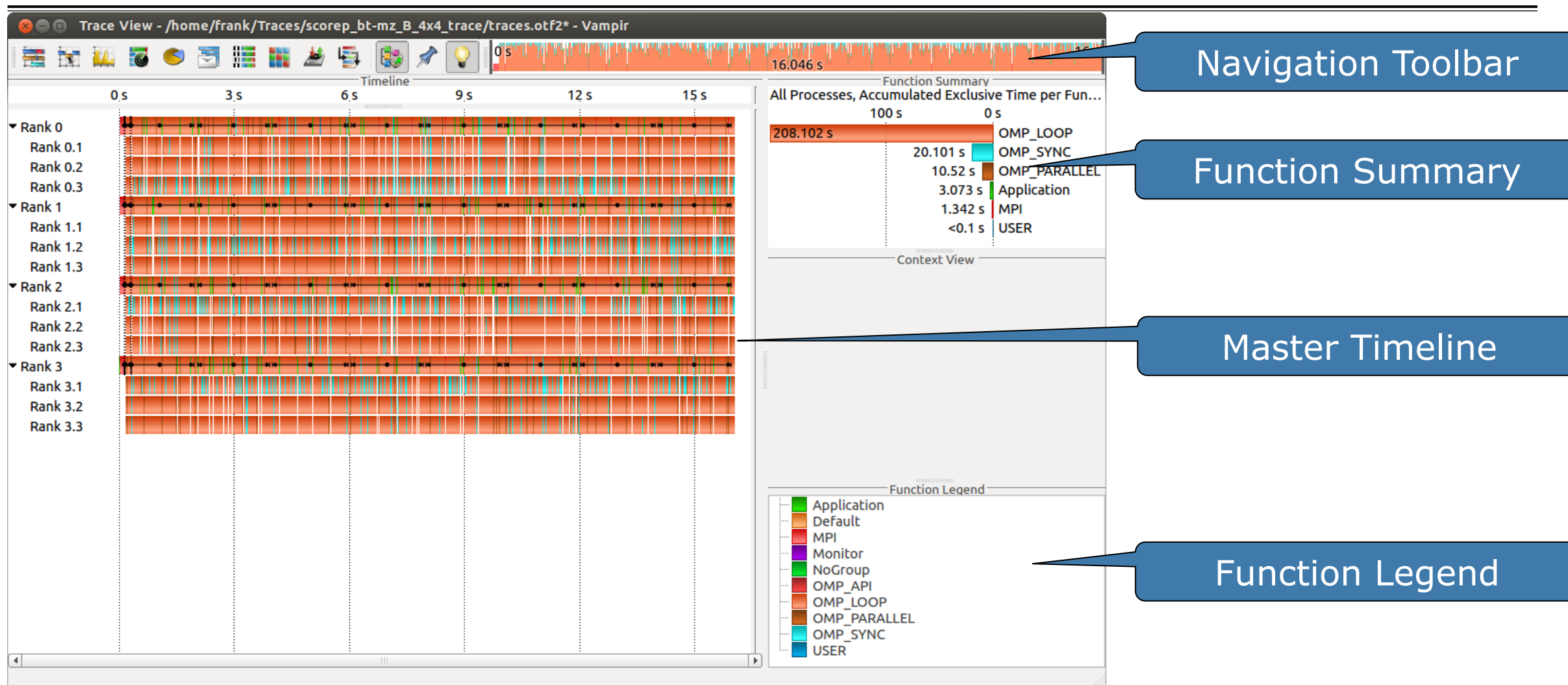
% vampir <working_directory>/NPB3.3-MZ-MPI/bin.scorep/\
> scorep_bt-mz_C_8x4_trace/traces.otf2
```

- Load correct module to add local tool installations to \$PATH (required for each shell session)
- Start Vampir on the current login-node (requires ssh X-forwarding)



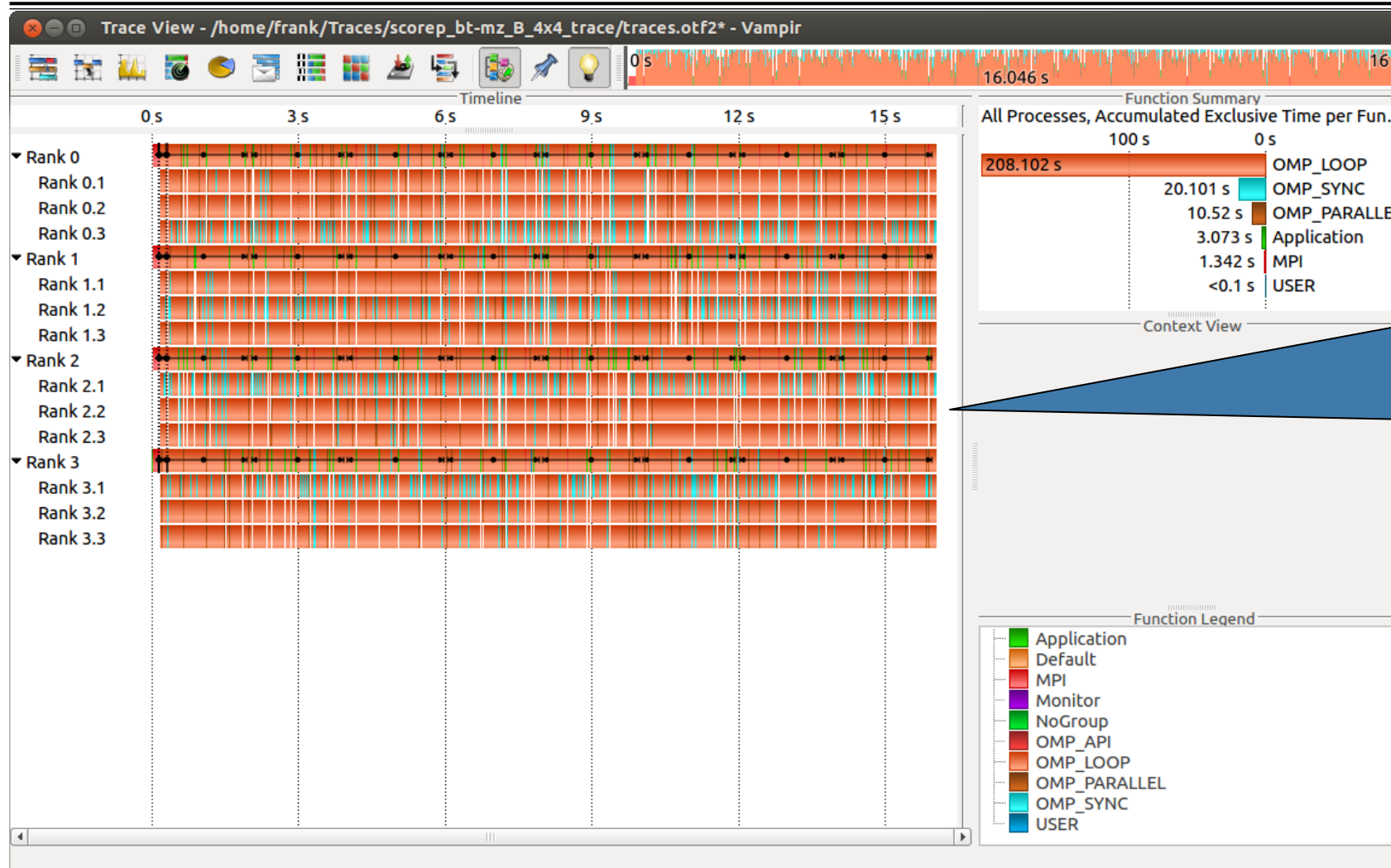


Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace



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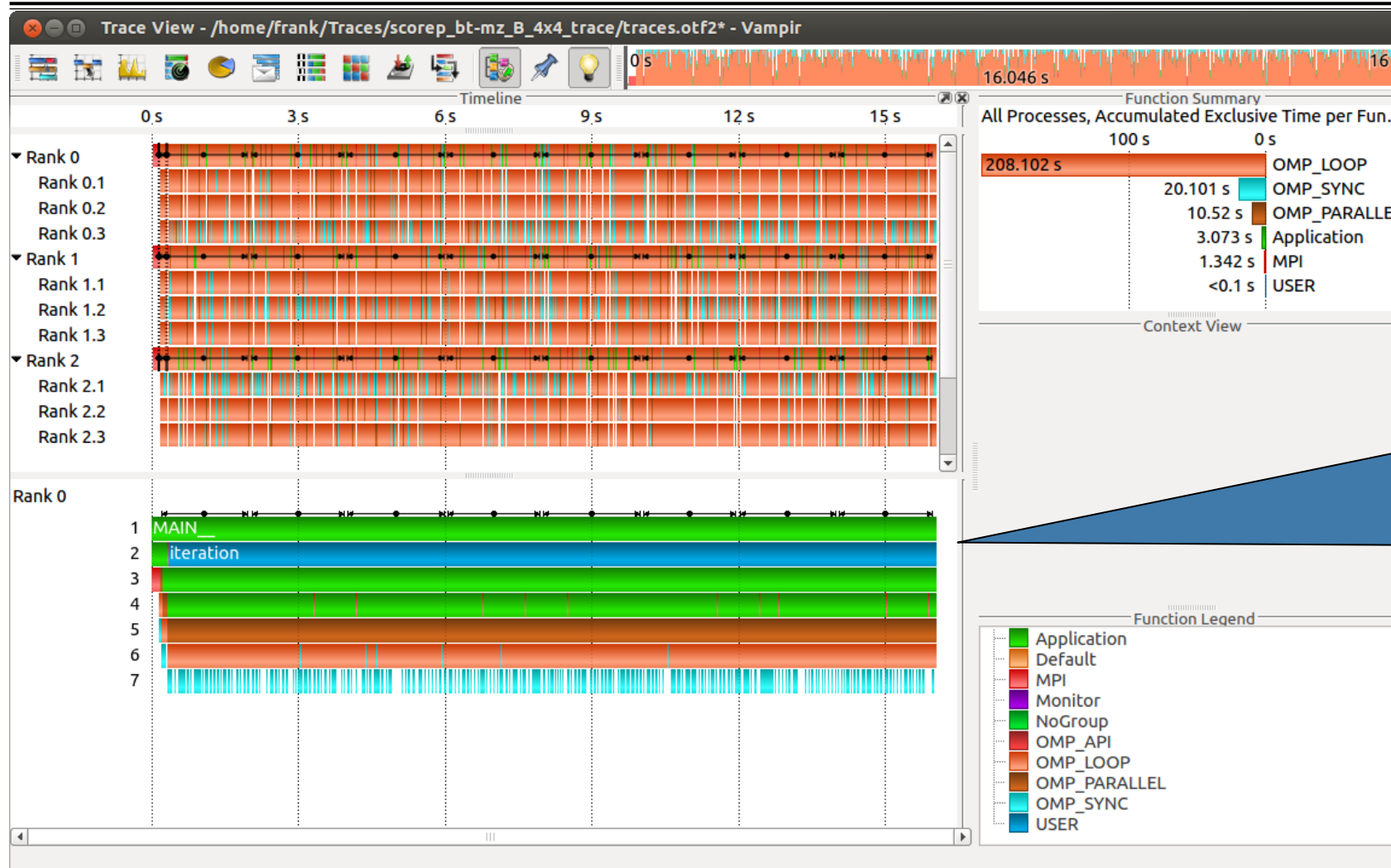
Master Timeline



Detailed information about functions, communication and synchronization events for collection of processes.

Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

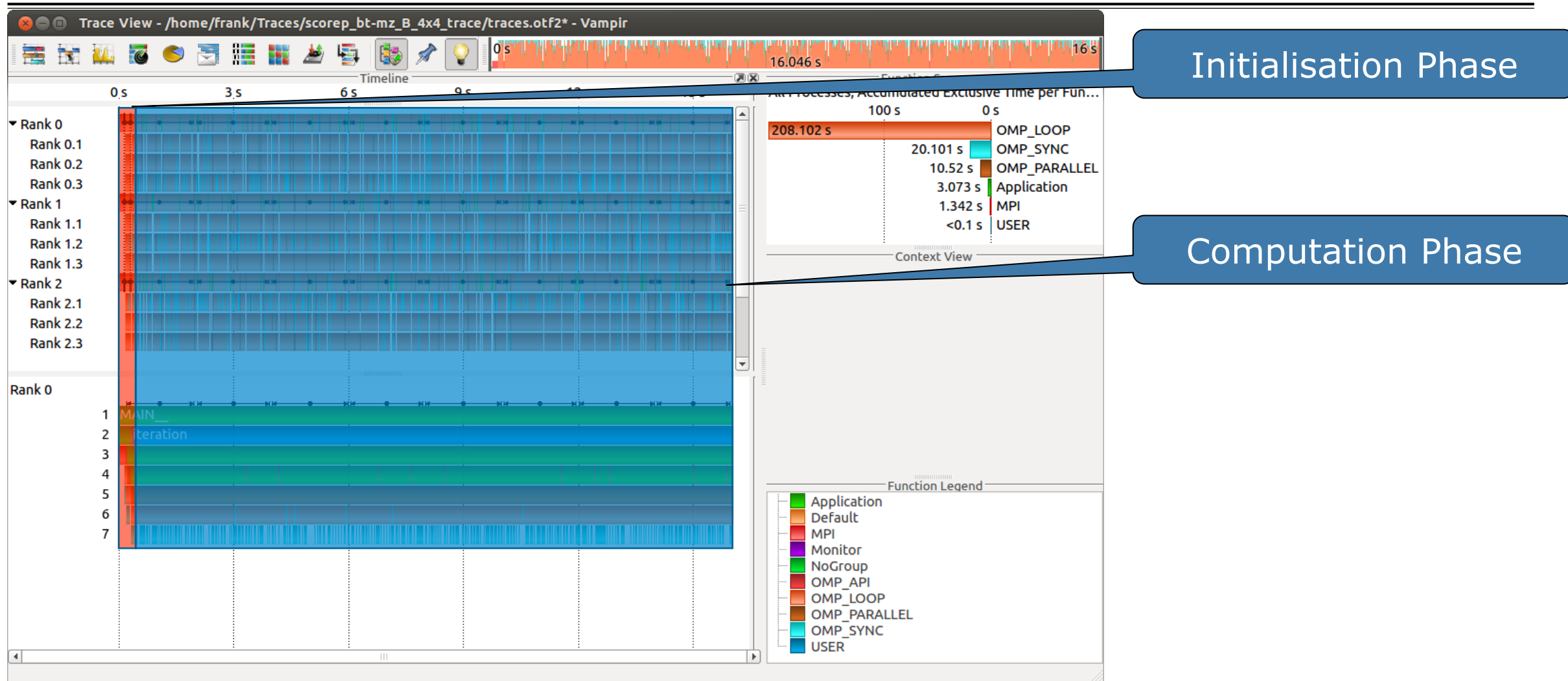
Process Timeline



Detailed information about different levels of function calls in a stacked bar chart for an individual process.

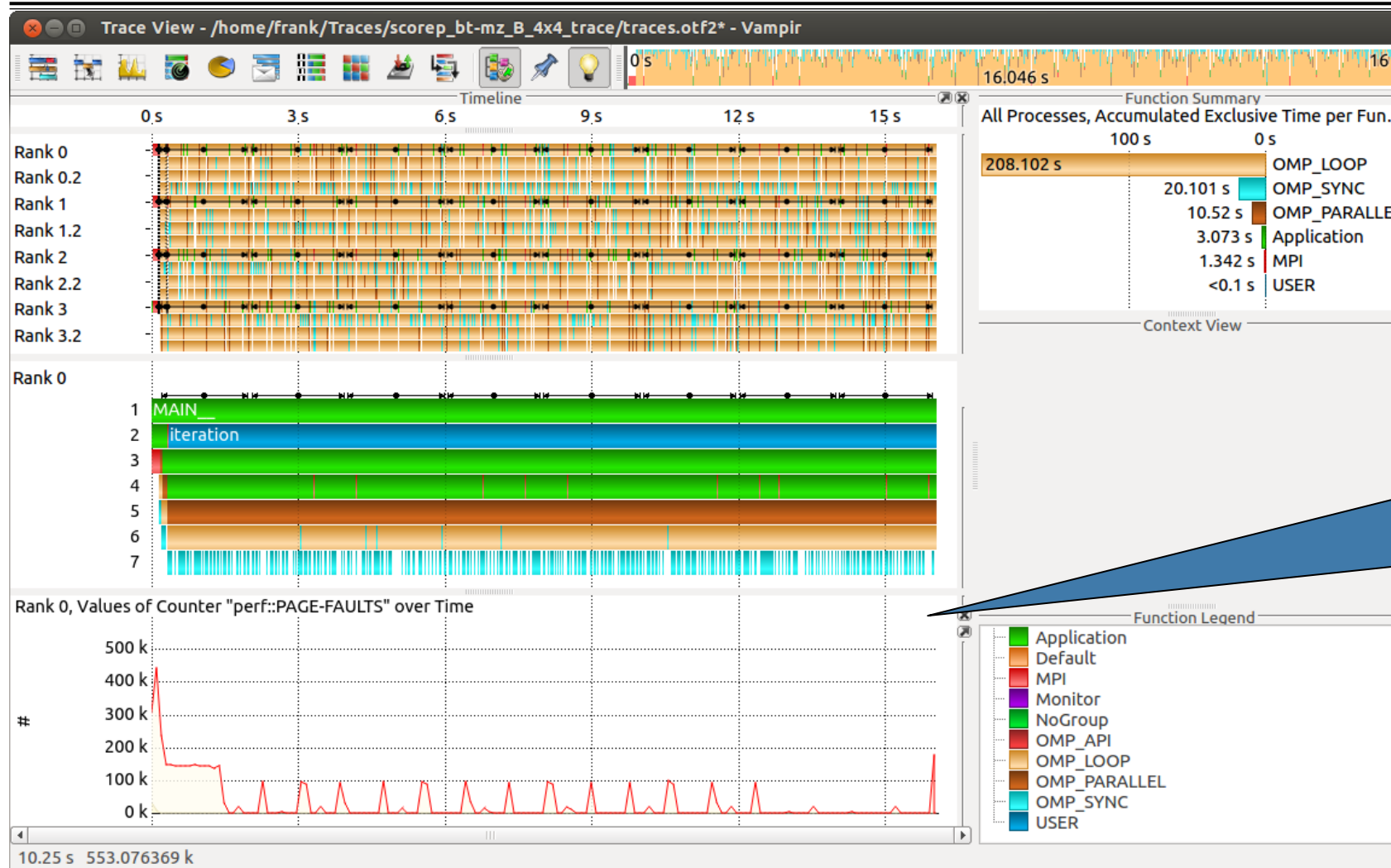
Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

Typical program phases



Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

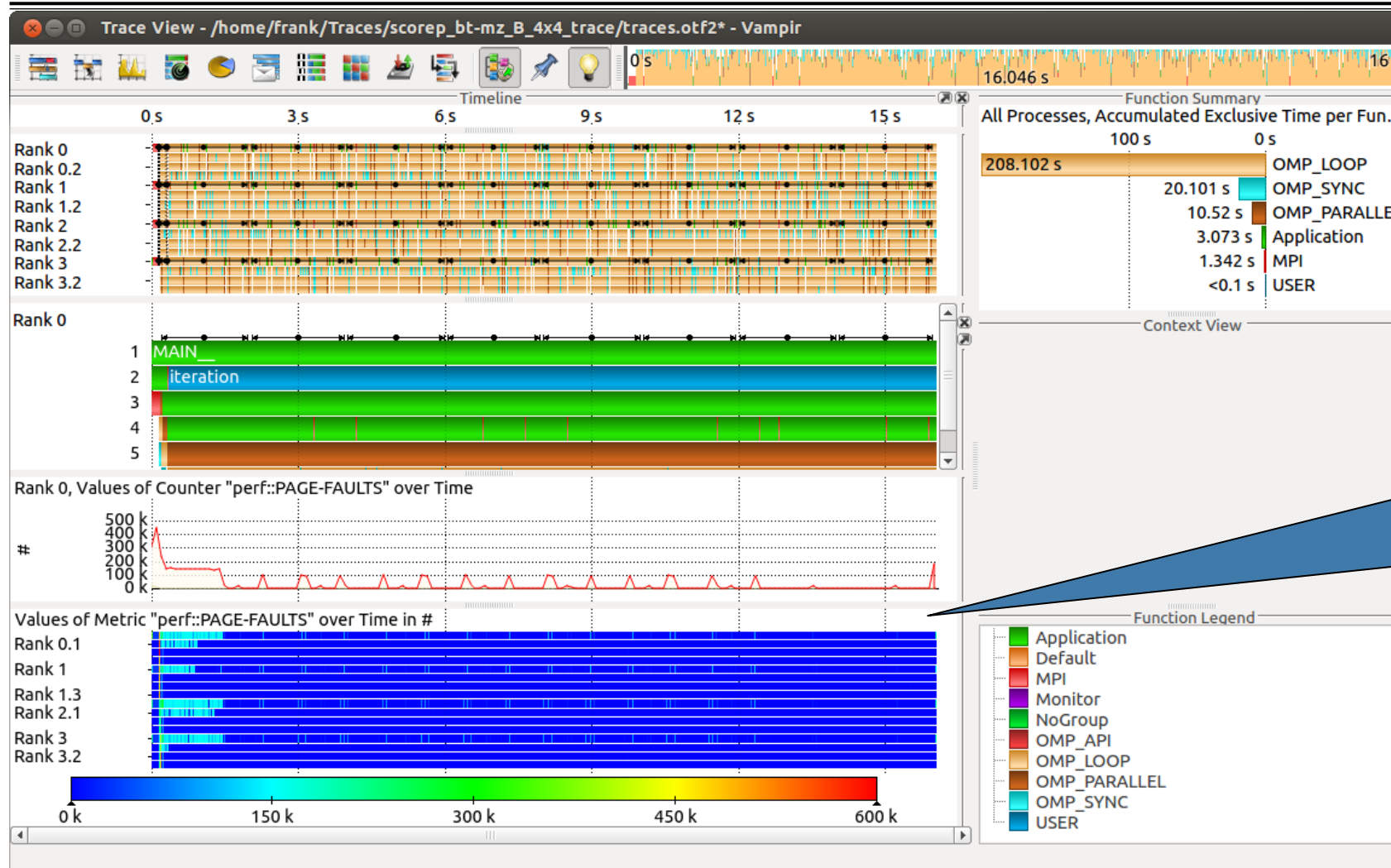
Counter Data Timeline



Detailed counter information over time for an individual process.

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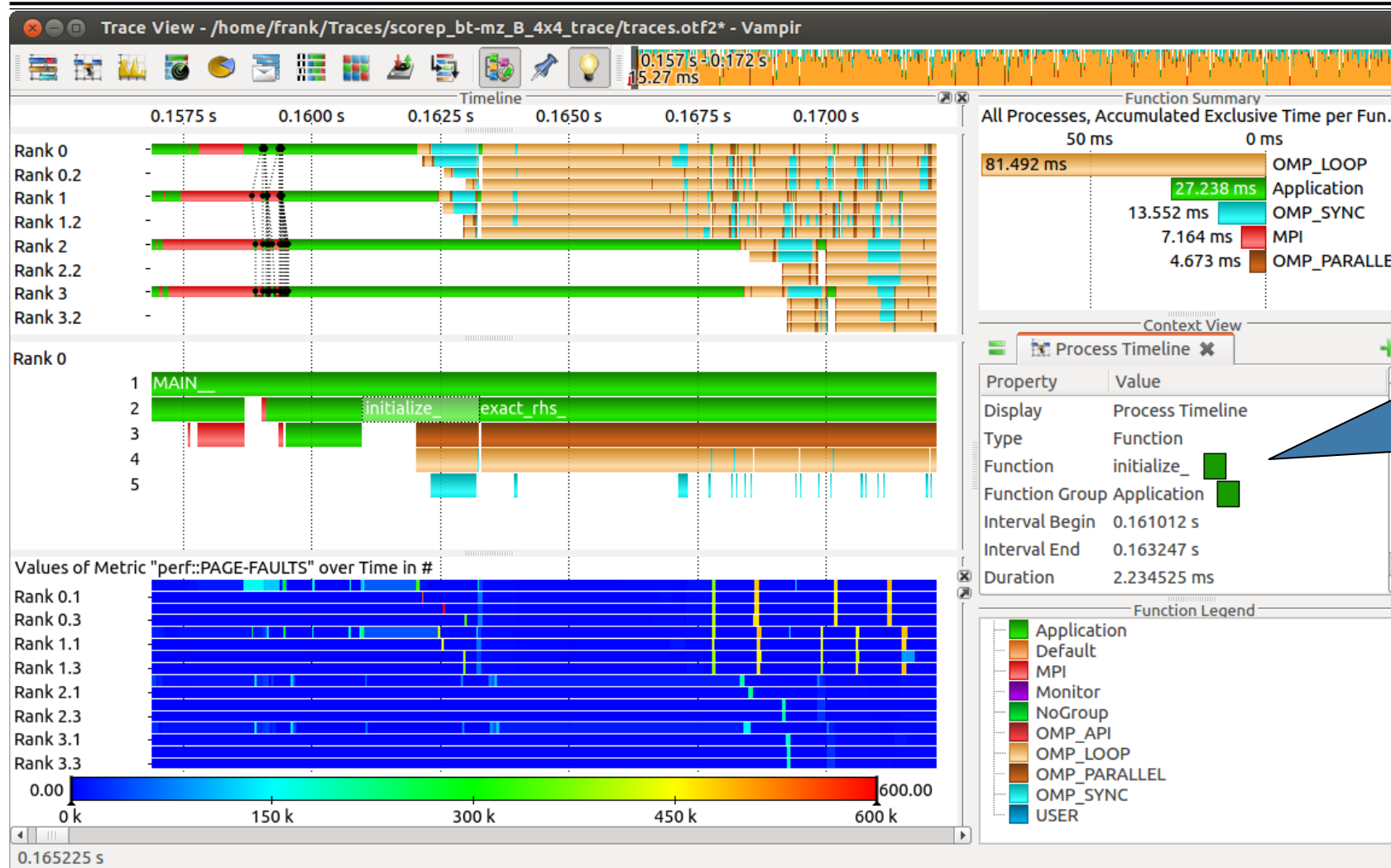
Performance Radar



Detailed counter information over time for a collection of processes.

Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

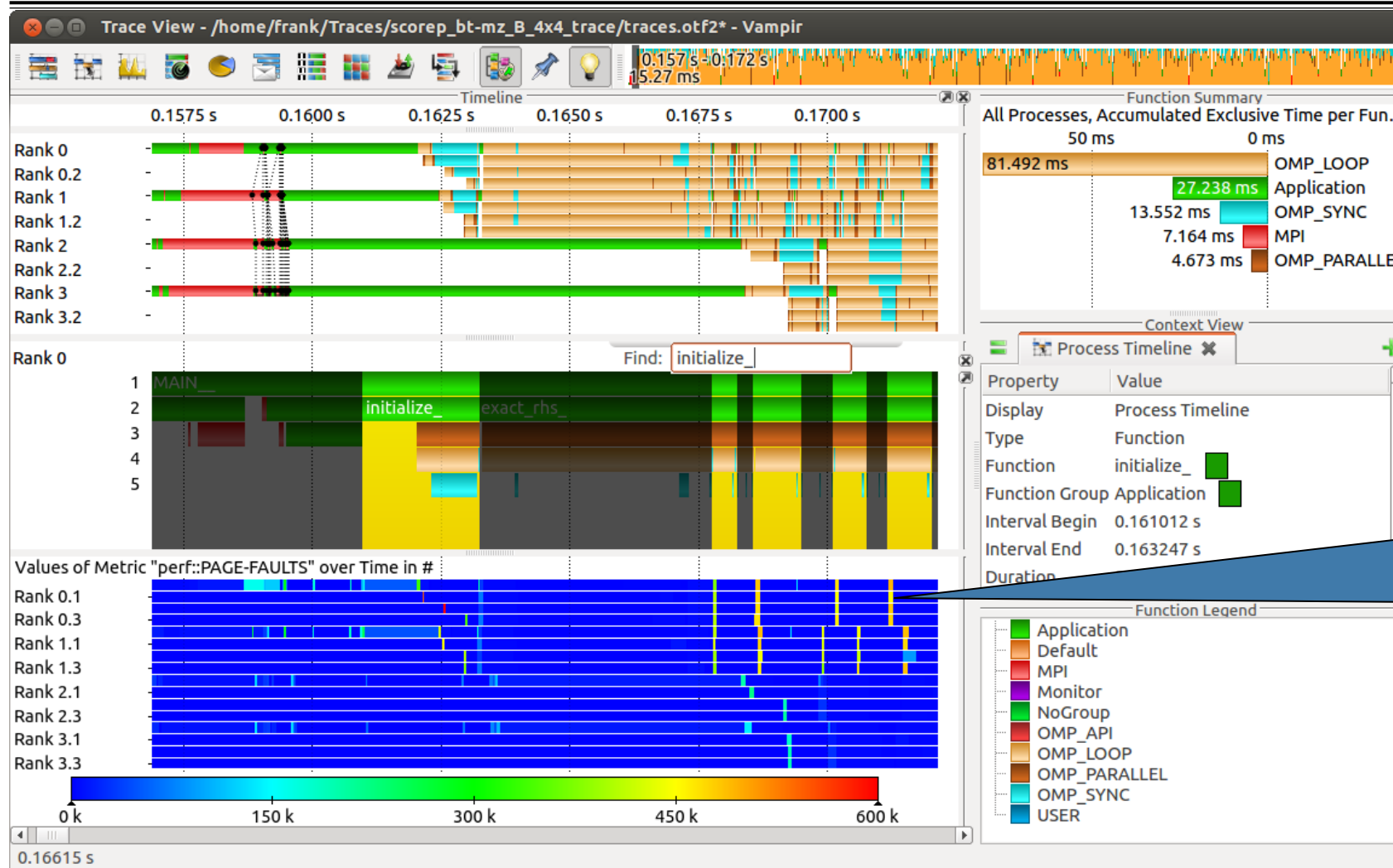
Zoom in: Initialisation Phase



Context View:
Detailed information
about function
"initialize_".

Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

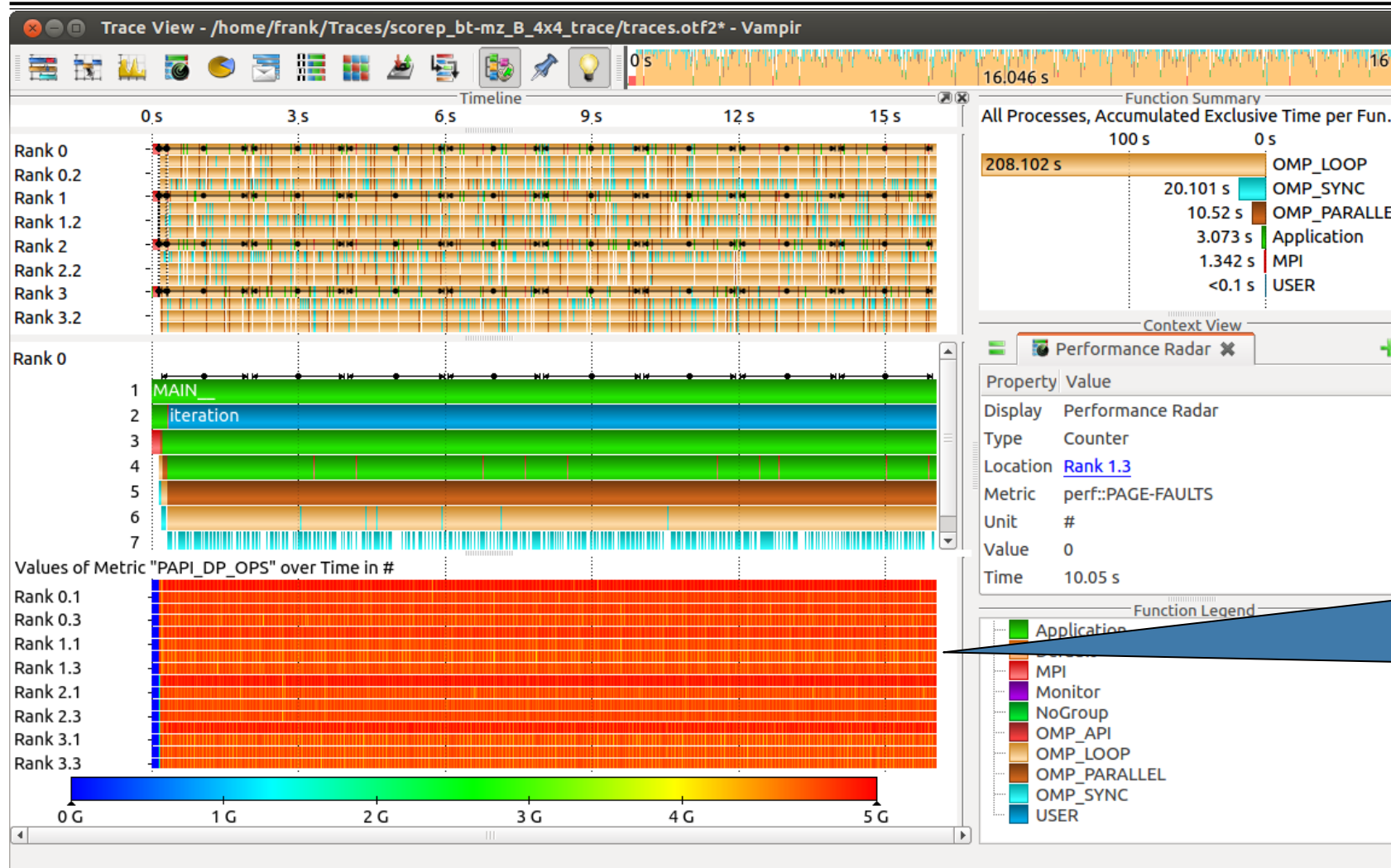
Find Function



Execution of function "initialize_" results in higher page fault rates.

Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

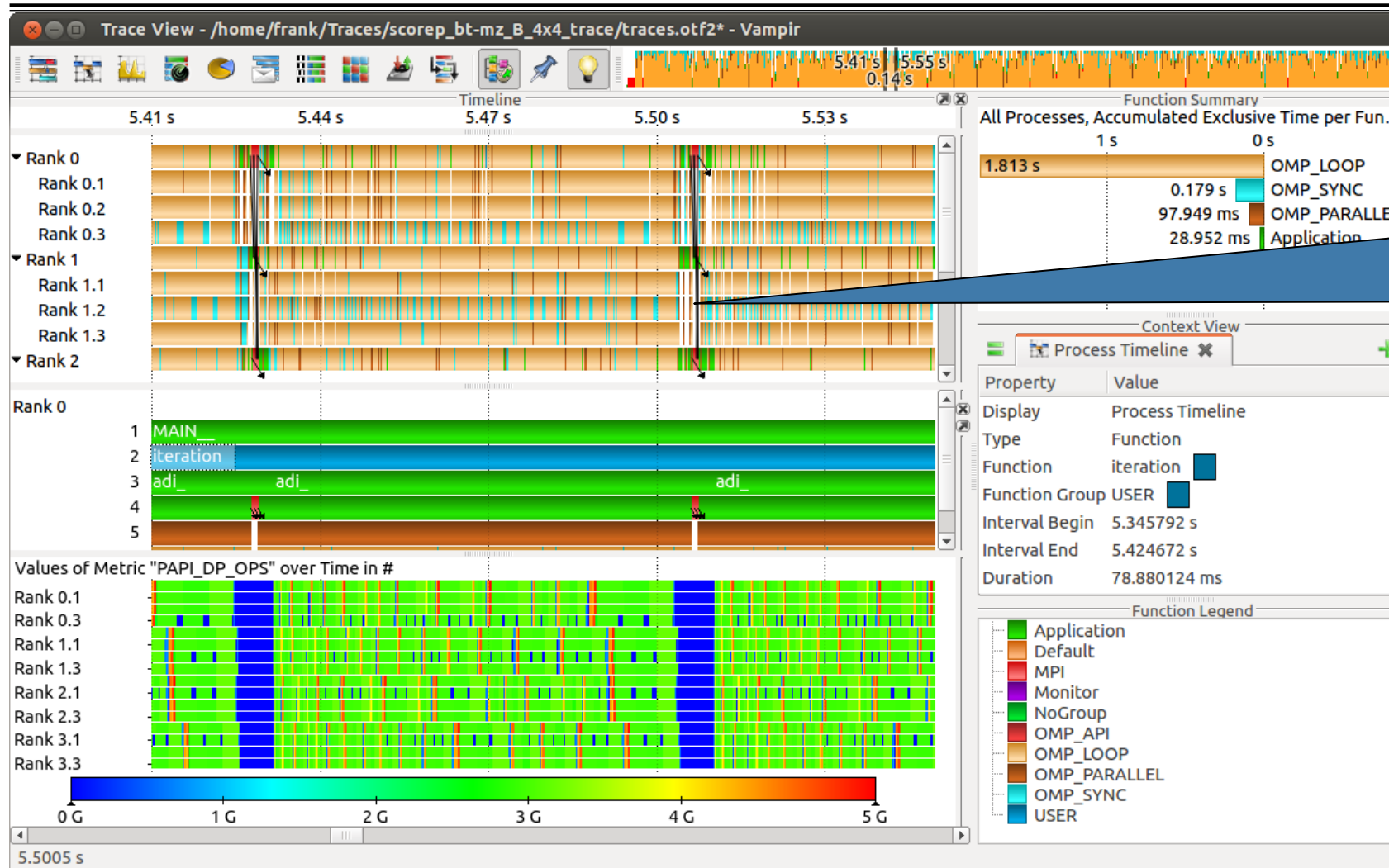
Computation Phase



Computation phase results in higher floating point operations.

Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

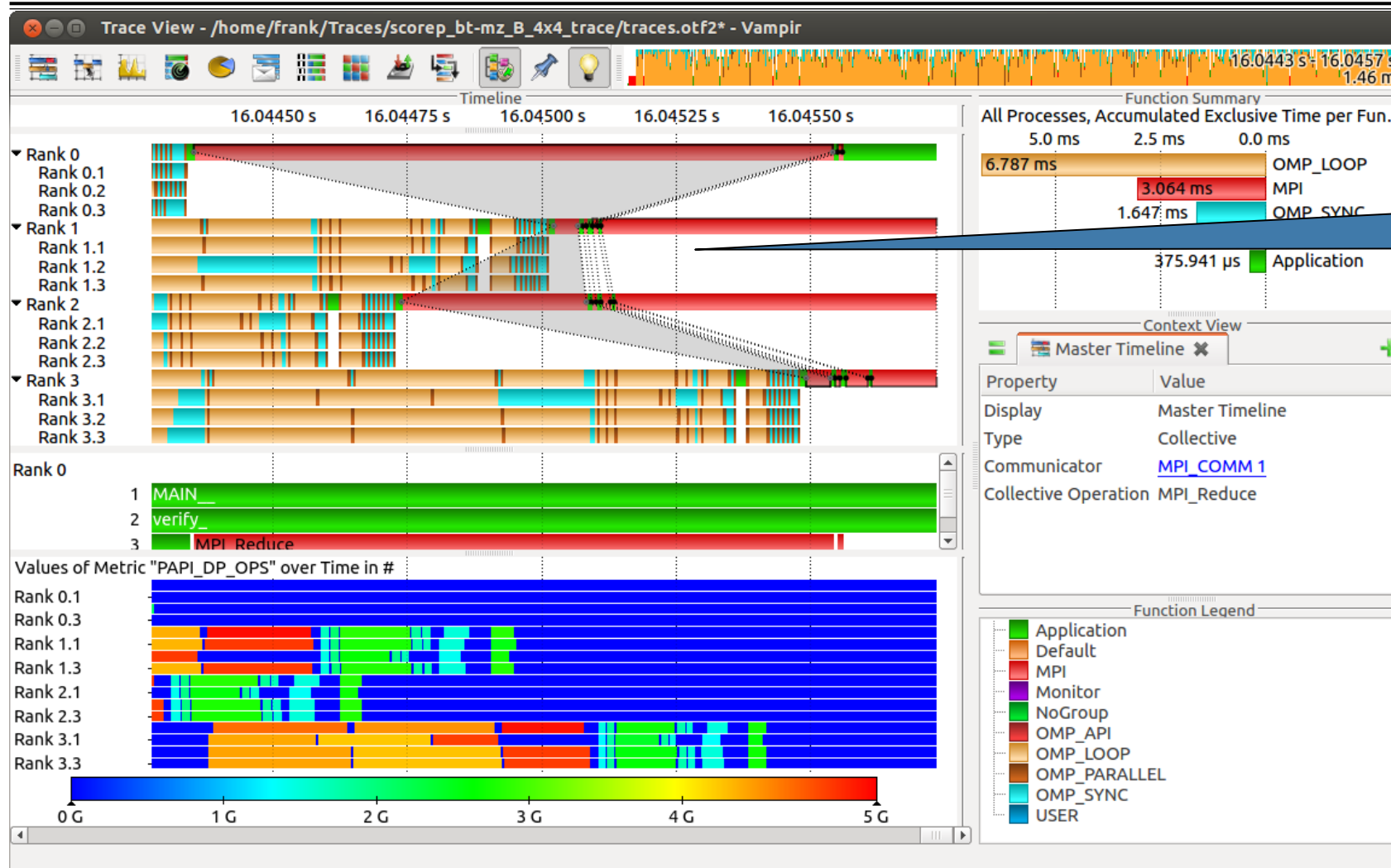
Zoom in: Computation Phase



MPI communication results in lower floating point operations.

Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

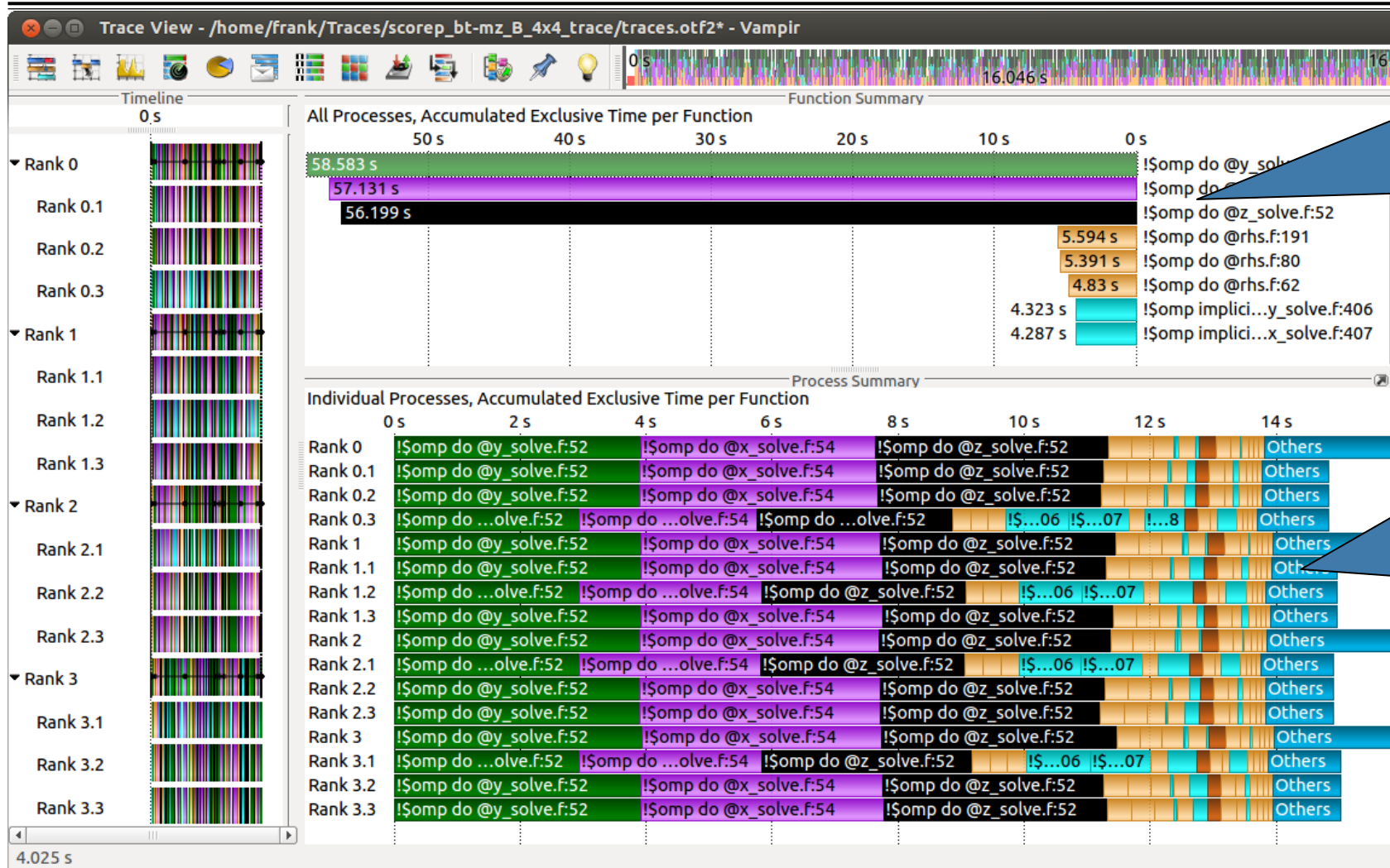
Zoom in: Finalisation Phase



"Early reduce" bottleneck.

Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

Process Summary

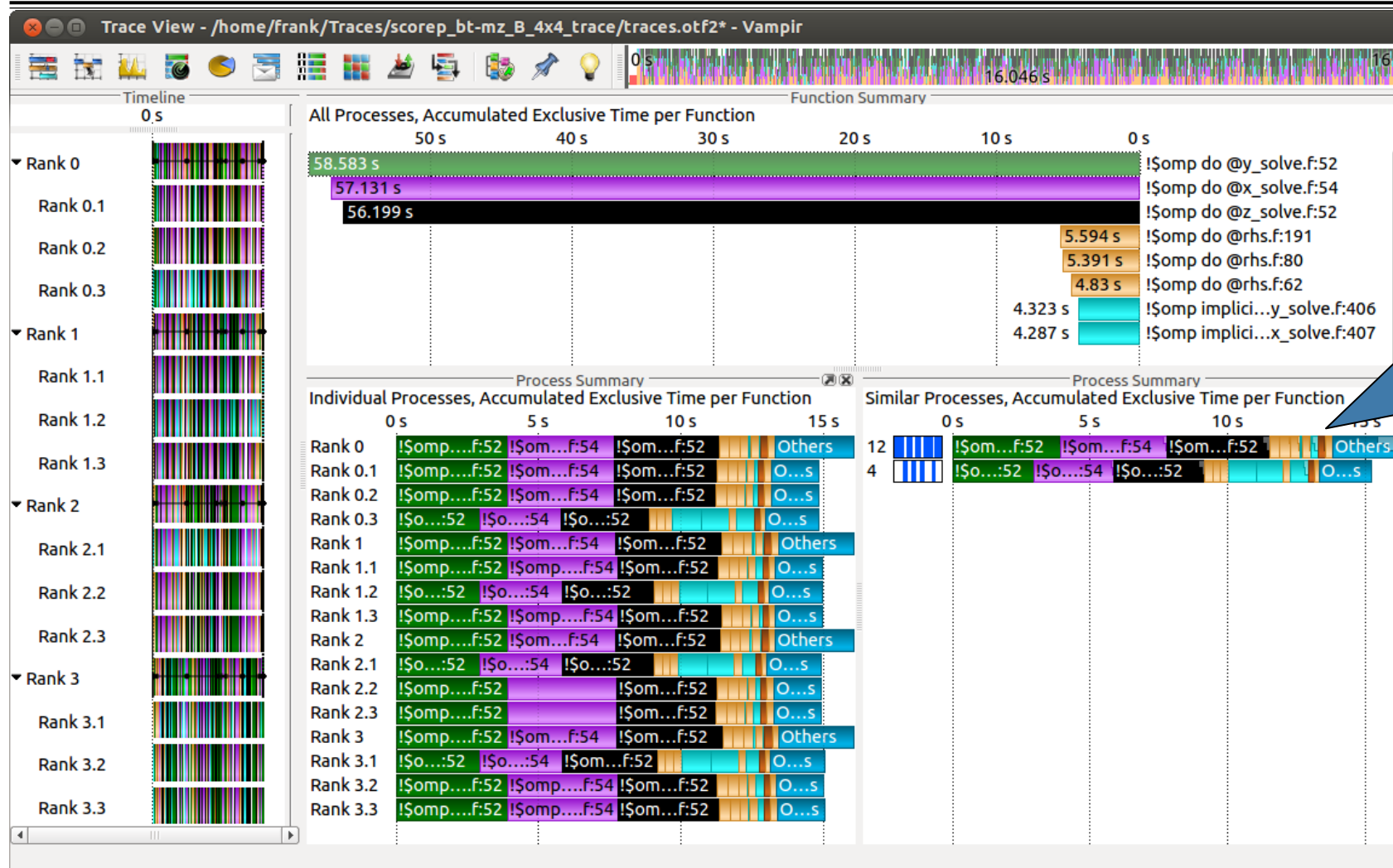


Function Summary:
Overview of the accumulated information across all functions and for a collection of processes.

Process Summary:
Overview of the accumulated information across all functions and for every process independently.

Visualization of the NPB-MZ-MPI / BT trace

Process Summary



Find groups of similar processes and threads by using summarized function information.

Summary and Conclusion

Summary

- Vampir & VampirServer
 - Interactive trace visualization and analysis
 - Intuitive browsing and zooming
 - Scalable to large trace data sizes (20 TiByte)
 - Scalable to high parallelism (200,000 processes)
- Vampir for Linux, Windows, and Mac OS X

