# **Graphite – Getting Started**

Getting up and running with Graphite









- System Requirements & Dependencies
- Getting & Building Graphite
- Simulating Your First Application
- Adding Your Own Application
- Benchmarks
- Debugging with GDB





# System Requirements

- Operating System
  - Ubuntu 12.04 (Preferred)
  - Debian 6 Squeeze
- Graphite has not been tested on other OSes
  - Issues usually arise from different syscalls that result from different compiler toolchains. (Lite mode may be easier to port).
  - If you port Graphite to a new OS, let us know and send us a patch!
- Lightweight Solution:
  - Try installing the Squeeze business card CD image on a VM.





# Dependencies

- Intel PIN version 58423
  - Check Graphite Wiki for future updates
- Libraries (g++, make, boost)

```
$ apt-get update
$ apt-get install build-essential
$ apt-get install libboost1.48-dev libboost-
filesystem1.48-dev libboost-system1.48-dev
(NOTE: For squeeze use boost 1.42)
```

Git (Optional)

```
$ apt-get install git-core
```





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# **Getting Graphite**

Tarball method

```
$ wget http://github.com/mit-carbon/
Graphite/tarball/master -O graphite.tar.gz
```

Git method

```
$ git clone git://github.com/mit-carbon/Graphite.git
```





# **Building Graphite**

Makefile.config

• Done!

```
$ make
```





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# Simulating Your First Application

- Toy applications available under /tests/apps/
  - eg. /tests/apps/hello\_world/
- Graphite's build system makes building apps a breeze:

```
$ make hello_world_app_test
```

```
tests/benchmarks/Makefile:9: warning: overriding
                                                   make hello world app test
tests/unit/Makefile:17: warning: ignoring old com
Makefile: 23: warning: overriding commands for target 'clean'
tests/benchmarks/Makefile:9: warning: ignoring old commands for target `clean'
make -C /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps//hello world
make[1]: Entering directory `/afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps/hello world'
make -C /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps/hello world/../../common
make[2]: Entering directory `/afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/common'
make[2]: Nothing to be done for `all'.
make[2]: Leaving directory `/afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/common'
make -C /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps/hello world/../../pin
make[2]: Entering directory '/afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/pin'
make[2]: Nothing to be done for `all'.
make[2]: Leaving directory `/afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/pin'
if [ ! -e hello world ] || [ hello world.o -nt hello world ] || [ /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite te
bcarbon sim.a -nt hello world ] || [ /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps/hell
   then g++ hello world.o -o hello world -static -u CarbonStartSim -u CarbonStopSim -upthread create -upt
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on/tools/pin/current//intel64/bin/pinbin -mt -t /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/test
1.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps/hello world/../../carbon sim.cfg --general/tota
shared mem=true -- /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps/hello world/hello wo
[spawn.py] 'WARNING: GRAPHITE HOME' undefined. Setting 'GRAPHITE HOME' to '/afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/gr
[spawn.py] Starting process: 0 : export CARBON PROCESS INDEX=0; export LD LIBRARY PATH="/afs/csail/group/
up/carbon/t
                                      n/pinbin -mt -t /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon s
              Hello, world!
                                      /carbon sim/tests/apps/hello world/../../carbon sim.cfg --gener
fs/csail.mi
/enable shared mem=true -- /afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps/hello world/he
Hello, world!
[spawn.py] Exited with return code: 0
make[1]: Leaving directory `/afs/csail.mit.edu/u/e/elau/graphite test/carbon sim/tests/apps/hello world'
elau@cagnode9:~/graphite test/carbon sim$
```

elau@cagnode9:~/graphite\_test/carbon\_sim\$ make hello\_world\_app\_test tests/unit/Makefile:17: warning: overriding commands for target `clean'

tests/apps/Makefile:16: warning: ignoring old com





## Simulation Results

- Collects results for:
  - Core Models
  - Cache Models
  - Memory Models
  - Network Models





# Simulation Results (cont'd)

- Results: results/\$DIR/sim.out
- Results directory (\$DIR) automatically named using timestamp when simulation was started
  - Format: YYYY-MM-DD\_HH-MM-SS
  - Example: results/2013-07-22\_14-56-56/
- Can also use custom name for results directory
  - make barnes\_bench\_test OUTPUT\_DIR=barnes
  - Results Dir: results/barnes/
- Sym-Link: results/latest points to the results directory of the most recently started simulation

Data Array Writes

```
Simulation timers:
                1940209
start time
stop time
                2096455
                                 Wallclock Times (µs)
shutdown time
                3705857
                                                                                              MCP
Core Summary
    Total Instructions
                                                                                               0
                                                                                               0
    Completion Time (in ns)
                                                        simulator start time
                                                                                               0
    Average Frequency (in GHz)
                                                                                               0
    Total Synchronization Stal
                                                        start of main() loop
                                 start
                                                                                               0
    Total Network Recv Stalls
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    Total Memory Stall Time (ir
                                                        end of main() loop
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    Total Execution Unit Stall
                                 stop
    Total Synchronization Stall
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    Total Network Recv Stall Ti
                                                        simulator end time
                                 shutdown
  Branch predictor stats
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    num correct
    num incorrect
                                                          one-bit (1024)
                                                                            one-bit (1024)
                                                                                               one-bit (1024)
    type
Shared Memory Model summary
    Total Memory Accesses
                                                          2418
                                                                            68
                                                                                               0
    Average Memory Access Latency (in ns)
                                                          9.55004
                                                                            4
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    Total Instruction Memory Accesses
                                                          1543
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    Instruction Buffer Hits
                                                          1397
                                                                            0
    Average Instruction Memory Access Latency (in ns)
                                                          10.6189
                                                                            -nan
                                                                                               -nan
    Total Data Memory Accesses
                                                          875
                                                                            68
    Average Data Memory Access Latency (in ns)
                                                          7.66514
                                                                                               -nan
Cache Summary
  Cache L1-I
    Cache Accesses
                                                          201
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                                                          115
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    Cache Misses
                                                          57.2139
    Miss Rate (%)
                                                                            0
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    Evictions
    Event Counters
                                                          546
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                                                                                               0
      Tag Array Reads
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      Tag Array Writes
      Data Array Reads
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    Cache Accesses
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    Cache Misses
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    Miss Rate (%)
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                                                          7.08571
      Read Accesses
                                                          323
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                                                          21
                                                                                               0
      Read Misses
                                                          6.50155
      Read Miss Rate (%)
                                                                            26.9231
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      Write Accesses
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      Write Misses
      Write Miss Rate (%)
                                                          7.42754
                                                                            23.8095
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    Evictions
    Event Counters
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      Tag Array Reads
                                                          69
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      Tag Array Writes
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      Data Array Reads
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Total Data Memory Accesses	875	68	0		
Average Data Memory Access Latency (in ns)	7.66514	4	-nan		
Cache Summary Cache L1-I		1			
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Cache Misses	115	Ö	Ö		
Miss Rate (%)	57.2139				
Evictions Event Counters	0	0	0		
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Evictions Event Counters	62	0	0		
Tag Array Reads	1050	119	0		
Tag Array Writes	69	18	iŏ		
Data Array Reads	385	26	0		
Data Array Writes	614	59	0		

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Total Bits Received	0	0	0
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Buffer Reads	0		
Switch Allocator Traversals	0		
Crossbar Traversals	0		
Link Traversals	0		
Network (Memory)			
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Total Flits Sent	0	0	0
Total Bits Sent	0	0	0
Total Packets Broadcasted	0	0	0
Total Flits Broadcasted	0	0	0
Total Bits Broadcasted	0	0	0
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Total Flits Received	0	0	0
Total Bits Received	0	0	0
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Average Packet Latency (in ns)	0	0	0
Average Contention Delay (in clock cycles)	0	0	0
Average Contention Delay (in ns)	0	0	0
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Buffer Writes	0		
Buffer Reads	0		
Switch Allocator Traversals	0		
Crossbar Traversals	0		
Link Traversals	0		
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Total Packets Broadcasted	0	0	0
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Total Flits Received	0	0	0
Total Bits Received	0	0	0
Average Packet Latency (in clock cycles)	0	0	0
Average Packet Latency (in ns)	0	0	0
Average Contention Delay (in clock cycles)	0	0	0
Average Contention Delay (in ns)	0	0	0
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## Distribution

- Graphite simulations can be distributed.
  - Shared file system
  - SSH permissions
- Define process map in carbon\_sim.cfg:

```
[general]
num_processes = 2
[process_map]
process0 = "server1.csail.mit.edu"
process1 = "server2.csail.mit.edu"
```





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# **Adding Applications**

- Create app in /tests/apps/app\_name/
  - include source code and header files
- Create makefile

```
TARGET = app_name

SOURCES = app_name.cc
include ../../Makefile.tests
```

Done!

```
$ make app_name_app_test
```

# Running Outside the Build System Standard

Set environment variables:

```
$ export GRAPHITE_HOME = path/to/graphite
$ export PIN_HOME = path/to/pin
$ export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$(PIN_HOME)/intel64/runtime
```

• If application uses carbon API functions, compile

-I\${GRAPHITE\_HOME}/common/user

Use the following linker flags

```
-static -u CarbonStartSim -u CarbonStopSim -u pthread_create -u pthread_join -L${GRAPHITE_HOME}/lib -L${GRAPHITE_HOME}/contrib/dsent -lcarbon_sim -ldsent_contrib -lboost_filesystem-mt -lboost_system-mt -pthread -lstdc++ -lm
```

# Running Outside the Build System SALL

#### Set process index

- Each instance of Graphite needs a process index.
- Scripts in /tools/ spawn instances ordered by index.
- For single machine, set environment variable:

```
$ export CARBON_PROCESS_INDEX = 0
```

#### Done!

```
$ ${PIN_HOME}/intel64/bin/pinbin -tool_exit_timeout 1 -mt -t
${GRAPHITE_HOME}/lib/pin_sim -c
${GRAPHITE_HOME}/carbon_sim.cfg --
[PATH/TO/YOUR/APPLICATION]
```





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## SPLASH Benchmarks

- SPLASH-2 under /tests/benchmarks/
  - Integrated into Graphite build system.
  - Easy!

```
$ make barnes bench test
```





## Parsec Benchmarks

- Parsec 3.0
  - Download Parsec 3.0 and point \$PARSEC\_HOME to the parsec install directory.
  - Set \$GRAPHITE\_HOME to the Graphite install directory.
- Copy and Run Parsec setup script

```
$ cd ${PARSEC_HOME}

$ cp -r ${GRAPHITE_HOME}/tools/parsec/setup_parsec_3.0
${PARSEC_HOME}

$ ./setup_parsec_3.0/run.sh
```





## Parsec Benchmarks

Edit tests/Makefile.parsec:

```
$ cd ${GRAPHITE_HOME}
$ vi tests/Makefile.parsec
  set PARSEC_HOME to parsec install
directory.
$ make setup_parsec
```

Build and Run Parsec app blackscholes:

```
$ cd ${GRAPHITE_HOME}
$ make blackscholes_parsec
```





### Parsec Benchmarks

- Parsec apps that work in full and lite mode:
  - blackscholes
  - canneal
  - fluidanimate
  - streamcluster
  - swaptions
  - facesim

- Parsec apps that work in lite mode only:
  - dedup, ferret, and bodytrack





# Regression Suite

• If you modify Graphite, remember to check that Graphite still works!

```
$ make regress_quick
```





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# Debugging with GDB

- Two different debugging scenarios:
  - Debugging *Graphite* itself (e.g., new models)
  - Debugging your application while running under Graphite
  - You cannot do both at the same time
- PIN provides two switches
  - pause\_tool for debugging the pintool (Graphite is a pintool!)
  - appdebug for debugging the application
  - Documentation and examples in User Manual on Pin website
- Basic instructions
  - Start gdb in one window
  - Invoke Graphite in separate window with the appropriate debug switch
  - Tell GDB to connect to the appropriate process





# **Debugging Graphite**

#### **GDB Window**

#### **Graphite Window**

Edit tests/Makefile.tests: Change PIN RUN variable to version with pause tool \$ qdb /path/to/pin/intel64/bin/pinbin \$ make hello world app test Pausing to attach to pid 20009 To load the tool's debug info to gdb use: add-symbol-file /u/ Copy PID and add-symbol-file command graphite/gtest/tests/apps/hello world/../../lib/pin sim.so from Graphite window to GDB window 0x2af6dd0abc60 -s .data 0x2af6dd876400 -s .bss 0x2af6dd881880 (gdb) attach 20009 (gdb) add-symbol-file /u/graphite/gtest/ tests/apps/hello world/../../lib/ pin sim.so 0x2af6dd0abc60 -s .data 0x2af6dd876400 -s .bss 0x2af6dd881880 (qdb) b handleFutexSyscall Set a breakpoint on a *Graphite* symbol Breakpoint 1 at 0x7fe24fe001d0 (qdb) c Application continues to breakpoint Continuing.

Commands you type in red, program output in black, comments in blue





## Debugging an Application

#### **GDB Window**

#### **Graphite Window**

```
Edit tests/Makefile.tests:
                                                          Change PIN RUN variable to version with appdebug
                                                          Change "-O2" to "-q" in CXXFLAGS
                                                          $ make hello world app test
                                                          Application stopped until continued from debugger. Start GDB,
                                                          then issue this command at the (gdb) prompt: target remote:
                                                          43760
$ cd ${GRAPHITE HOME}
$ gdb tests/apps/hello world/hello world
          Copy "target" command from Graphite window
(qdb) target remote :43760
Remote debugging using :43760 0x0000000000400300 in start()
                                  Set a breakpoint on
(qdb) b main
                                  an application symbol
Breakpoint 1 at 0x7fe24fe001d0
(qdb) c
                                                          Application continues to breakpoint
Continuing.
```

Commands you type in red, program output in black, comments in blue

# **Happy Simulating!**



