

Graphite – Getting Started

Getting up and running with Graphite



Outline

- 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

```
PIN_HOME = /path/to/pin
```

- 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
```


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

Graphite 2.2.20

Simulation timers:

start time 1940209
stop time 2096455
shutdown time 3705857

Core Summary

Total Instructions
Completion Time (in ns)
Average Frequency (in GHz)
Total Synchronization Stalls
Total Network Recv Stalls
Total Memory Stall Time (in ns)
Total Execution Unit Stall Time (in ns)
Total Synchronization Stall Time (in ns)
Total Network Recv Stall Time (in ns)

Branch predictor stats

num correct
num incorrect
type

Shared Memory Model summary

Total Memory Accesses
Average Memory Access Latency (in ns)
Total Instruction Memory Accesses
Instruction Buffer Hits
Average Instruction Memory Access Latency (in ns)
Total Data Memory Accesses
Average Data Memory Access Latency (in ns)

Cache Summary

Cache L1-I

Cache Accesses
Cache Misses
Miss Rate (%)
Evictions
Event Counters
Tag Array Reads
Tag Array Writes
Data Array Reads
Data Array Writes

Cache L1-D

Cache Accesses
Cache Misses
Miss Rate (%)
Read Accesses
Read Misses
Read Miss Rate (%)
Write Accesses
Write Misses
Write Miss Rate (%)
Evictions
Event Counters
Tag Array Reads
Tag Array Writes
Data Array Reads
Data Array Writes

Tile 0	TS 0	MCP
1543	0	0
25274	0	0
1	-nan	0
0	0	0
0	0	0
23081	0	0
2193	0	0
9.55004	4	-nan
1543	0	0
1397	0	0
10.6189	-nan	-nan
875	68	0
7.66514	4	-nan
201	0	0
115	0	0
57.2139		
0	0	0
546	0	0
115	0	0
201	0	0
115	0	0
875	68	0
62	17	0
7.08571	25	
323	26	0
21	7	0
6.50155	26.9231	
552	42	0
41	10	0
7.42754	23.8095	
62	0	0
1050	119	0
69	18	0
385	26	0
614	59	0

Simulated Times

Time in ns the core runs.

1024)

Cache L2			
Cache Accesses	177	17	0
Cache Misses	159	17	0
Miss Rate (%)	89.8305	100	
Read Accesses	136	7	0
Read Misses	118	7	0
Read Miss Rate (%)	86.7647	100	
Write Accesses	41	10	0
Write Misses	41	10	0
Write Miss Rate (%)	100	100	
Evictions	159	0	0
Dirty Evictions	159	0	0
Event Counters			
Tag Array Reads	447	44	0
Tag Array Writes	247	18	0
Data Array Reads	184	0	0
Data Array Writes	711	59	0
DRAM Performance Model Summary			
Total DRAM Accesses	318		
Average DRAM Access Latency (in ns)	113		
Average DRAM Contention Delay (in ns)	0		
Queue Model			
Queue Utilization(%)	16.3794		
Analytical Model Used(%)	0		
DRAM Directory Cache Summary			
Total Entries [auto-generated]	16384		
Size (in KB) [auto-generated]	16		
Access Time (in clock cycles) [auto-generated]	1		
Total Accesses	802		
Total Evictions	150		
Total Back-Invalidations	0		
Network Summary			
Network (User)			
Total Packets Sent	0	0	0
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
Total Packets Received	0	0	0
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
Event Counters			
Buffer Writes	0		
Buffer Reads	0		
Switch Allocator Traversals	0		
Crossbar Traversals	0		
Link Traversals	0		
Network (Memory)			
Total Packets Sent	0	0	0
Total Flits Sent	0	0	0
Total Bits Sent	0	0	0
Total Packets Broadcasted	0	0	0
Total Flits Broadcasted	0	0	0

Network Summary

Network (User)

Total Packets Sent	0	0	0
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
Total Packets Received	0	0	0
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
Event Counters			
Buffer Writes	0		
Buffer Reads	0		
Switch Allocator Traversals	0		
Crossbar Traversals	0		
Link Traversals	0		

Network (Memory)

Total Packets Sent	0	0	0
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
Total Packets Received	0	0	0
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
Event Counters			
Buffer Writes	0		
Buffer Reads	0		
Switch Allocator Traversals	0		
Crossbar Traversals	0		
Link Traversals	0		

Network (System)

Total Packets Sent	0	0	0
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
Total Packets Received	0	0	0
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

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

- 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

- 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 blacksholes:

```
$ cd ${GRAPHITE_HOME}
$ make blacksholes_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

```
$ gdb /path/to/pin/intel64/bin/pinbin
```

Copy PID and add-symbol-file command from Graphite window to GDB window

```
(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
```

```
(gdb) b handleFutexSyscall
Breakpoint 1 at 0x7fe24fe001d0
(gdb) c
Continuing.
```

Set a breakpoint on a *Graphite* symbol

Graphite Window

Edit tests/Makefile.tests:
Change PIN_RUN variable to version with pause_tool

```
$ 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/graphite/gtest/tests/apps/hello_world/../../lib/pin_sim.so 0x2af6dd0abc60 -s .data 0x2af6dd876400 -s .bss 0x2af6dd881880

Application continues to breakpoint

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

Debugging an Application

GDB Window

```
$ cd ${GRAPHITE_HOME}
$ gdb tests/apps/hello_world/hello_world
```

Copy “target” command from Graphite window

```
(gdb) target remote :43760
Remote debugging using :43760 0x0000000000400300 in _start()
```

```
(gdb) b main
Breakpoint 1 at 0x7fe24fe001d0
```

```
(gdb) c
Continuing.
```

Set a breakpoint on an *application* symbol

Graphite Window

Edit tests/Makefile.tests:
Change PIN_RUN variable to version with appdebug
Change “-O2” to “-g” 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

Application continues to breakpoint

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

Happy Simulating!

