



# **XALT Monthly Meeting: Using \$XALT\_TRACING to Debug XALT**

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#### **XALT: Outline**



- ► XALT provides a way to debug its behavior
- xalt\_extract\_record ./user\_program: XALT watermark
- ► XALT\_TRACING=link icc -o try try.c
- ► XALT\_TRACING=run ./user\_program ...
- ► It shows what decisions XALT is making.



#### XALT Watermark: xalt extract record mpi\_hello

```
$ xalt_extract_record ./mpi_hello
XALT Watermark: ./mpi hello
Build CWD
                         /home/user/t
Build Epoch
                         1636147194.4143
Build LMFILES
                         intel/19.1.1:impi/19.0.9:...:xalt/2.10.33
Build LOADEDMODULES
Build OS
                         Linux 3.10.0-1160.45.1.el7.x86 64
Build Syshost
                         frontera
Build UUID
                         70611e21-bea5-465f-bf12-9537dc565240
Build User
                         joe user
Build Year
                         2021
Build compiler
                         mpiicc(icc)
Build compilerPath
                         icc:/opt/intel/compilers and libraries 2020.1.217/...
Build date
                         Fri Nov 05 16:19:54 2021
Build host
                         staff frontera tacc utexas edu
XALT Version
                         2.10.34
```

#### Linking w/ XALT

```
$ XALT TRACING=link gcc -o hello hello.c
14:57:32 XALT Tracing Activated for version: xalt-2.10.31
14:57:32 Starting 1d
14:57:32 find real command: Searching for the real: 1d
14:57:32 find real command: found /opt/apps/gcc/8.3.0/bin/ld
14:57:32 COMP T: "compiler": "gcc", "compilerPath": "/opt/apps/gcc/8.3.0/bin/gcc", "link_lin
o", "hello", "hello.c"], "parentProcs":["zsh:/usr/bin/zsh", "sshd:", "sshd:", "sshd:"]
14:57:32 SYSHOST: frontera
14:57:32 WRKDIR: /tmp/user dd798a17-2dda-411f-8029-077bf67ad3a4 FChre5
14:57:32 EPOCH 1636142252 7051
14:57:32 Using ld to find functions: /opt/apps/gcc/8.3.0/bin/ld ...
14:57:32 Not adding XALT initialize routines to user code
14:57:32 /opt/apps/gcc/8.3.0/bin/ld ...
14:57:32 XALT TRANSMISSION STYLE file
    Using USE HOME method to store ison file
    Wrote json link file :
```



#### **Source Code**

- ► The first set of tests come from src/libxalt/xalt\_initialize.c
- ► The second test of test come from src/libxalt/run\_submission.c

## **Tracing on login node**

```
staff.fta(3013)% XALT TRACING=run ./hello
             Fri Nov 5 13:16:26 2021
 Date:
 XALT Version: xalt-2.10.31
 Nodename:
               staff.frontera.tacc.utexas.edu
           Linux
 System:
Release: 3.10.0-1160.45.1.el7.x86_64
O.S. Version: #1 SMP Wed Oct 13 17:20:51 UTC 2021
 Machine:
               x86 64
myinit(0/1,LD PRELOAD,/home/user/t/xalt/hello){
  Test for __XALT_INITIAL_STATE__: "(NULL)", STATE: "LD_PRELOAD"
  Test for XALT_EXECUTABLE_TRACKING: yes
  Test for rank == 0, rank: 0
    hostname: "staff.frontera.tacc.utexas.edu" is rejected -> exiting
Hello World!
myfini(0/1,LD PRELOAD,/home/user/t/xalt/hello){
  -> exiting because reject is set to: XALT has found the host does
  not match hostname pattern. If this is unexpected check your
  config.pv file: Config/TACC config.pv for program: /home/user/t/xalt/hello
```



#### **Tracing on compute node**

```
c202-001.fta[clx](3017)% XALT TRACING=run ./hello
myinit(0/1,LD PRELOAD,/home/user/t/xalt/hello){
 Test for XALT INITIAL STATE: "LD PRELOAD", STATE: "LD PRELOAD"
 Test for XALT EXECUTABLE TRACKING: ves
 Test for rank == 0, rank: 0
 GPU tracing is turned off. This directory "/sys/module/nvidia" does not exist!
 No GPU tracking
    -> Found watermark via vendor note: true
    -> MPI SIZE: 1 < MPI ALWAYS RECORD: 128, XALT is build to track
       all programs, Current program is a scalar
       program -> Not producing a start record
    -> Signals capturing disabled
    -> Leaving myinit
Hello World!
mvfini(0/1,LD_PRELOAD,/home/user/t/xalt/hello){
    -> exiting because sampling. run time: 0.000298977, (my rand:
    0.943536 > prob: 0.0001)
    for program: /home/user/t/xalt/hello
```

# Tracing on compute node, sampling off

```
c202-001.fta[clx](3017)% XALT TRACING=run XALT SAMPLING=no ./hello
mvinit(0/1,LD PRELOAD,/home/user/t/xalt/hello){
Hello World!
mvfini(0/1,LD PRELOAD,/home/user/t/xalt/hello){
    -> XALT_SAMPLING = "no" All programs tracked!
 Recording State at end of scalar user program
  run_submission(.zzz) {
    Built processTree table
    Built envT
    Extracted recordT from watermark, Compiler: icc, XALT Version: 2.10.31
    Built userT, userDT, scheduler: SLURM
   Compute sha1 (...) of exec: /home/user/t/xalt/hello
    Parsed ProcMaps
   Using XALT TRANSMISSION STYLE: file
    Built json string
   Transmitting jsonStr
    Using USE_HOME method to store json file
    Wrote json run file : ...
    Done transmitting jsonStr
    -> leaving myfini
```



## **Tracing MPI program (I)**

```
$ cat run_me.sh
XALT_MPI_ALWAYS_RECORD=2 XALT_TRACING=run XALT_SAMPLING=no ./mpi_hello
```



## **Tracing MPI program (II)**

```
$ ibrun -np 2 ./run_me.sh
myinit(0/2,LD PRELOAD,/home/user/t/xalt/mpi hello){
    -> Found watermark via vendor note: true
    -> MPI SIZE: 2 >= MPI ALWAYS RECORD: 2 => recording start record!
 Recording state at beginning of MPI user program:
    /home/user/t/xalt/mpi hello
  run submission(.aaa) {
    Built processTree table
   Built envT
   Extracted recordT from watermark. Compiler: mpicc(icc), XALT Version: 2.10.31
   Built userT, userDT, scheduler: SLURM
   Compute sha1 (...) of exec: /home/user/t/xalt/mpi_hello
    Parsed ProcMaps
    Using XALT TRANSMISSION STYLE: file
    Built ison string
   Transmitting jsonStr
   Using USE HOME method to store json file
   Wrote ison run file : ...
   Done transmitting jsonStr
    -> uuid: b2f87517-8878-4449-bc93-5d899456b3c2
    -> Signals capturing disabled
    -> Leaving myinit
Hello World from proc: 0 out of 2 !
```

## **Tracing MPI program (III)**

Shutdown complete. Exiting.

```
$ ibrun -np 2 ./run me.sh
Hello World from proc: 0 out of 2 !
myfini(0/2,LD PRELOAD,/home/user/t/xalt/mpi hello)
  Recording State at end of MPI user program
  run submission(.zzz)
    Built processTree table
   Built envT
   Extracted recordT from watermark. Compiler: mpicc(icc), XALT_Version: 2.10.31
    Built userT. userDT. scheduler: SLURM
            sha1 (...) of exec: /home/user/t/xalt/mpi hello
    Parsed ProcMaps
    Using XALT TRANSMISSION STYLE: file
    Built ison string
   Transmitting jsonStr
    Using USE HOME method to store json file
   Wrote ison run file : ...
   Done transmitting jsonStr
    -> leaving myfini
```



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## XALT Env. Vars for Tracing

- xalt\_extract\_record user\_program to see the XALT Watermark
- ► XALT\_TRACING=run for execution
- ► XALT\_TRACING=link for linking
- ► XALT\_SAMPLING=no to turn off sampling
- ► XALT TESTING RUNTIME=3600 to override real runtime
- XALT\_MPI\_ALWAYS\_RECORD=2 to force start and end record generation.
- ➤ XALT\_COMM\_WORLD\_SIZE=256 to override number of real mpi tasks (XALT-2.10.34+)



#### **Future Topics?**

- ► Python package tracking
- ► R package tracking
- ► MATLAB package tracking