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# Extracting Useful Data from XALT DB

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# XALT: Outline



# XALT

- ▶ XALT Parts: Generating and Storing
- ▶ Quick Discussion about what is stored
- ▶ Caveats about XALT Records
- ▶ `xalt_usage_report.py`
- ▶ Kinds of reports available
- ▶ What kinds of reports would sites like?
- ▶ Future Topics for XALT zoom mtg.

# XALT Generating and Storing

- ▶ ALL programs on system have XALT via LD\_PRELOAD
- ▶ Some prgms generate \*.json records
- ▶ These records can be written to a MySQL DB (not required)
- ▶ Afterward \*.json records are deleted.

# Caveats about XALT records

- ▶ Core-Hours not Node-Hours
- ▶ XALT knows about mpi tasks and threads
- ▶ It doesn't know if a node is shared.
- ▶ User might run multiple single core prgms on a node
- ▶ User might run single core prgms on one or more nodes
- ▶ XALT runs inside each program.
- ▶ It is blind to what happens outside of user prgm.
- ▶ It would require a daemon on each node to know.

# XALT time records won't match Accounting

- ▶ XALT will filter out or sample programs
- ▶ It won't catch them all.
- ▶ XALT can double count (rarely)
- ▶ If user forks off another prgm  $\Rightarrow$  double counting
- ▶ If user runs  $> 1$  prgm per core.
- ▶ XALT uses real time not cpu time.

# Python prgm: sbin/xalt\_usage\_report.py

- ▶ An attempt to be system agnostic.
- ▶ It provides a name mapping file.
- ▶ It reports data that TACC has found useful:
  - ▶ Overall Job counts
  - ▶ Self Built vs. Not.
  - ▶ It reports Top Execs by Core-Hours, Number of Runs, Number of users for All, MPI Only, Scalar
  - ▶ Top Module usage
  - ▶ Compiler usage
  - ▶ Library Usage

# Overall Job counts

- ▶ Core hours for “system” prgms vs. user prgms.
- ▶ System prgms come from a module, User prgms don't.
- ▶ We see about 5% for system prgms.
- ▶ Still have to teach how to build program.

# Self-Built vs. Not.

- ▶ Beside system supplied program we have groups that share prgms
- ▶ Like to track that.
- ▶ Prgms built under XALT know build user.
- ▶ XALT knows the run user.
- ▶ We report 2 to 4 % non self-built prgm runs.



# xalt\_name\_mapping.py

```
equiv_patternA = [  
    [ r'^pmemd' , 'Amber*' ],  
    [ r'^sander' , 'Amber*' ],  
    [ r'^absorptionrealx' , 'BerkeleyGW*' ],  
    [ r'^absorptioncplx' , 'BerkeleyGW*' ],  
    [ r'^kernelrealx' , 'BerkeleyGW*' ],
```

- ▶ Map prgms to projects.
- ▶ Sites may need to modify to match their site.

# Future Topics?

- ▶ Package tracking
- ▶ Extracting results from the DB.
- ▶ Others?