Gem5 and NVMain

Installation and Integration on Ubuntu 20.04 or 18.04

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Tested Machines

Specific Dependencies	Machine 1	Machine 2
Isbrelease -a	Ubuntu 20.04.3 LTS	Ubuntu 18.04.6 LTS
gcc -v	5.3.1	5.5.0
g++ -v	5.3.1	5.5.0
python -V	2.7.18	2.7.17
scons -v	3.0.5	3.0.5
swig -version	3.0.12	3.0.12

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My Directory Structure

```
Gem5-NVMain
|
+-- Gem5
|
+-- fs-image
|
+-- NVMain
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Install GCC 5

- sudo gedit /etc/apt/sources.list
- Add the below two lines in the end and save
 - deb http://dk.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu/ xenial main
 - deb http://dk.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu/xenial universe
- sudo apt update
- sudo apt install gcc-5 g++-5
- sudo update-alternatives --remove-all gcc
- sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/gcc gcc /usr/bin/gcc-5 100
- sudo update-alternatives --remove-all g++
- sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/g++ g++ /usr/bin/g++-5 100

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Install Python 2.7

- sudo apt install python2.7
- sudo update-alternatives --remove-all python
- sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/python python /usr/bin/python2.7 100

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Install SCons 3.0.5

- Download SCons 3.0.5 from here: https://sourceforge.net/projects/scons/files/scons/
- Go to the SCons directory
- 3 sudo python setup.py install --standard-lib

Install SWIG 3.0.12

- Install PCRE (Perl 5 Compatible Regular Expression) Library: sudo apt install libpcre3 libpcre3-dev
- Download SWIG 3.0.12 from here: https://sourceforge.net/projects/swig/files/swig/
- Go to the SWIG directory
- 4 ./configure
- make
- sudo make install

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Install Other Dependencies

sudo apt install build-essential git m4 zlib1g zlib1g-dev libprotobuf-dev protobuf-compiler libprotoc-dev libgoogle-perftools-dev libpython2-dev python2-dev python-six libboost-all-dev libhdf5-serial-dev python-pydot libpng-dev libelf-dev pkg-config

If libpython2-dev, python2-dev are not installing, try these packages: libpython2.7-dev, python2.7-dev

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Install Gem5

- Download the latest commit from my Github repository: https://github.com/DeepBCSE/Gem5-for-NVMain
- 2 Rename the folder as Gem5
- Go to the Gem5 directory
- scons build/X86/gem5.opt -j ⟨nthreads⟩
- An error came in Machine 1 related to the file timer.cc
 - Rename *static* as *extern* in Gem5/src/cpu/kvm/timer.cc line 63
 - Step 3 & 4
- An error came in both the Machines related to Permission of the file cpt_upgrader.py
 - Run the command chmod +x cpt_upgrader.py in the directory Gem5/util
 - Step 3 & 4

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Gem5 SE mode test

- Go to the Gem5 directory
- ./build/X86/gem5.opt configs/example/se.py -c tests/test-progs/hello/bin/x86/linux/hello

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Configure Gem5 for Full System mode

- Download the X86 Full System Files from here: http://www.m5sim.org/Download
- Extract this in a folder named fs-image and copy the path of this folder in Gem5/configs/common/SysPaths.py line 60

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Gem5 FS mode test

- Go to the Gem5 directory
- 2 ./build/X86/gem5.opt configs/example/fs.py
 - --kernel=x86_64-vmlinux-2.6.22.9 --disk-image=linux-x86.img

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Install NVMain

- Download the the 29 Aug 2018 commit (ad28c0c) from here: https://github.com/SEAL-UCSB/NVmain/commits/master
- 2 Rename the folder as NVMain
- Comment out the whole line in /NVMain/SConscript line 36: from gem5_scons import Transform
- Go to the NVMain directory
- scons --build-type=fast -j ⟨nthreads⟩

NVMain test

- Go to the NVMain directory
- 2 ./nvmain.fast Config/PCM_ISSCC_2012_4GB.config Tests/Traces/hello_world.nvt 1000000

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Integrate Gem5 and NVMain

- Go to the Gem5 directory
- ② git apply ../NVMain/patches/gem5/nvmain2-gem5-11688+
- scons EXTRAS=../NVMain build/X86/gem5.opt -j ⟨nthreads⟩

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Test the integration

- Go to the Gem5 directory
- ./build/X86/gem5.opt configs/example/se.py -c tests/test-progs/hello/bin/x86/linux/hello --mem-type=NVMainMemory --nvmain-config=../NVMain/Config/2D_DRAM_example.config

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Best of luck!

Stuck somewhere? Happy to help

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