

Cavium ThunderX2 SoC Performance Monitoring Unit (PMU UNCORE)

The ThunderX2 SoC PMU consists of independent, system-wide, per-socket PMUs such as the Level 3 Cache (L3C), DDR4 Memory Controller (DMC) and Cavium Coherent Processor Interconnect (CCPI2).

The DMC has 8 interleaved channels and the L3C has 16 interleaved tiles. Events are counted for the default channel (i.e. channel 0) and prorated to the total number of channels/tiles.

The DMC and L3C support up to 4 counters, while the CCPI2 supports up to 8 counters. Counters are independently programmable to different events and can be started and stopped individually. None of the counters support an overflow interrupt. DMC and L3C counters are 32-bit and read every 2 seconds. The CCPI2 counters are 64-bit and assumed not to overflow in normal operation.

PMU UNCORE (perf) driver:

The `thunderx2_pmu` driver registers per-socket perf PMUs for the DMC and L3C devices. Each PMU can be used to count up to 4 (DMC/L3C) or up to 8 (CCPI2) events simultaneously. The PMUs provide a description of their available events and configuration options under `sysfs`, see `/sys/devices/uncore_<l3c_S/dmc_S/ccpi2_S/`; S is the socket id.

The driver does not support sampling, therefore "perf record" will not work. Per-task perf sessions are also not supported.

Examples:

```
# perf stat -a -e uncore_dmc_0/cnt_cycles/ sleep 1
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```
# perf stat -a -e \
uncore_dmc_0/cnt_cycles/, \
uncore_dmc_0/data_transfers/, \
uncore_dmc_0/read_txns/, \
uncore_dmc_0/write_txns/ sleep 1
```

```
# perf stat -a -e \
uncore_l3c_0/read_request/, \
uncore_l3c_0/read_hit/, \
uncore_l3c_0/inv_request/, \
uncore_l3c_0/inv_hit/ sleep 1
```