





Exercise 2: Comparing Collectives



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Objective

- Familiarizing yourself more with ASTRA-sim scripts
 - Changing communication size
 - Executing multiple runs
- Comparing ASTRA-sim results
 - Different-sized All-Reduce collective
- Implementing different topologies
 - Running HalvingDoubling All-Reduce on Switch
 - Running Direct All-Reduce on FullyConnected

Changing Communication Size

Running 5 MB All-Reduce collective

Method 1: Change Workload Configuration

```
MICRO ← training loop

1 #layers

allreduce -1 1 NONE 0 1 ALLREDUCE 5242880 1
```

| Meta | data | | Forward | | 1 | nput grad | l | V | Veight gra | d | Layer |
|---------------|---------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-------|
| Layer Name | (rsvd.) | Compute Time | Comm. Type | Comm. size | Compute Time | Comm. Type | Comm. Size | Compute Time | Comm. Type | Comm. Size | Delay |
| allreduce | -1 | 1 | NONE | 0 | 1 | NONE | 0 | 1 | ALLREDUCE | 5242880 | 1 |

Changing Communication Size

Running 5 MB All-Reduce collective

Method 2: Change ASTRA-sim Run Script

Executing Multiple Configurations

Run [1, 5, 10] MB All-Reduce (total 3 configurations) concurrently

```
"${BINARY}" \
                                     1MB All-Reduce
       --comm-scale="1" \
                                            3 total configurations
       --total-stat-rows=3 \
                                              index 0
       --stat-row=0
"${BINARY}" \
                                              5MB All-Reduce
       --comm-scale="5" \
       --total-stat-rows=3 \
                                              index 1
       --stat-row=1
"${BINARY}" \
                                              10MB All-Reduce
       --comm-scale="10" \
       --total-stat-rows=3 \
                                              index 2
       --stat-row=2
```

Executing Multiple Configurations

 Objective: All-Reduce of size [1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024] MB (total 11 configurations)

```
SIZES=(1 2 4 8 16 32 64 128 256 512 1024) Size: 1 - 1024 MB
for i in {0..10}; do
                                                        For-loop
    size=${SIZES[$i]}
    "${BINARY}" \
        --run-name="${size}" \
                                                        Run name: Size
        --network-configuration="${NETWORK}" \
        --system-configuration="${SYSTEM}" \
        --workload-configuration="${WORKLOAD}" \
        --comm-scale="${size}" \
                                                         All-Reduce Size
        --path="${RESULT DIR}/" \
        --total-stat-rows=11 \
                                                        11 Total configs
                                                        ith config
        --stat-row=$i
done
```

Running Experiment

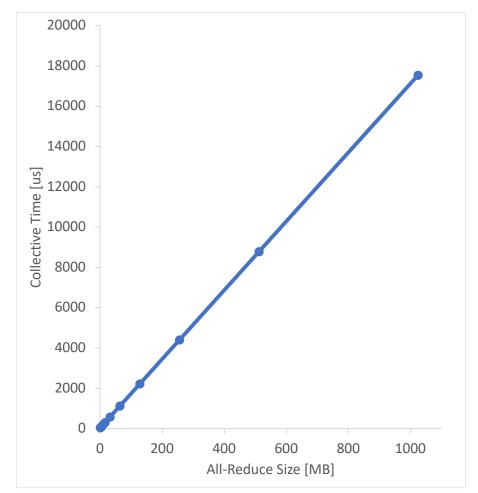
 All-Reduce of size [1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024] MB (total 11 configurations)

```
$ cd exercise_2/
$ ./build.sh
$ ./exercise_2_1.sh
```

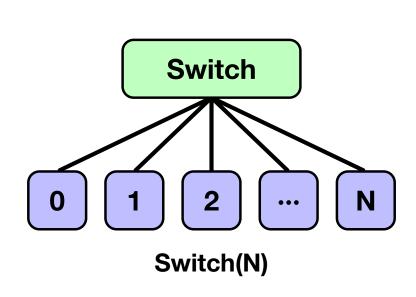
Understanding Results

result 1/tutorial_result.csv

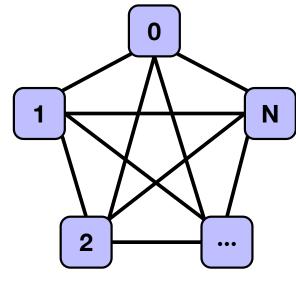
| Name | Total Time (us) | Compute Time (us) | Exposed Communication Time (us) | Total Message Size (MB) |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 1 | 45.681 | 0 | 45.681 | 1.75 |
| 2 | 62.761 | 0 | 62.761 | 3.5 |
| 4 | 96.921 | 0 | 96.921 | 7 |
| 8 | 165.297 | 0 | 165.297 | 14 |
| 16 | 302.077 | 0 | 302.077 | 28 |
| 32 | 575.609 | 0 | 575.609 | 56 |
| 64 | 1122.673 | 0 | 1122.673 | 112 |
| 128 | 2216.745 | 0 | 2216.745 | 224 |
| 256 | 4404.945 | 0 | 4404.945 | 448 |
| 512 | 8781.373 | 0 | 8781.373 | 896 |
| 1024 | 17534.229 | 0 | 17534.229 | 1792 |



Switch and FullyConnected Topology



- Switch topology
- HalvingDoubling All-Reduce
- 1 Link / NPU



FullyConnected(N)

- FullyConnected topology
- Direct All-Reduce
- (N-1) Links / NPU

Switch/FullyConnected Network

```
inputs/switch.json
                                        inputs/fullyconnected.json
                                          "dimensions-count": 1,
  "dimensions-count": 1,
                                          "topologies-per-dim": ["FullyConnected"],
  "topologies-per-dim": ["Switch"],
                                          "units-count": [8],
  "units-count": [8],
                                          "links-count": [7],
  "links-count": [1],
                                          "link-latency": [500],
  "link-latency": [500],
                                          "link-bandwidth : [50]
  "link-bandwidth": [50]
                     Switch topology
                                                             FullyConnected topology
          1 link/NPU
                                                   7 link/NPU
```

Configurations: System

inputs/switch.txt

```
endpoint-delay: 10

active-chunks-per-dimension: 1

preferred-dataset-splits: 4

boost-mode: 1

all-reduce-implementation: halvingDoubling

all-gather-implementation: halvingDoubling

reduce-scatter-implementation: halvingDoubling

all-to-all-implementation: direct

collective-optimization: localBWAware
```

HalvingDoubling collective algorithm

inputs/fullyconnected.txt

```
endpoint-delay: 10

active-chunks-per-dimension: 1

preferred-dataset-splits: 4

boost-mode: 1

all-reduce-implementation: direct

all-gather-implementation: direct

reduce-scatter-implementation: direct

all-to-all-implementation: direct

collective-optimization: localBWAware
```

Direct collective algorithm

Running Experiment

- Objective: Running
 - 1GB All-Reduce
 - On 8-NPU Ring, Switch, FullyConnected

```
exercise_2_2.txt
```

Running Experiment

- Objective: Running
 - 1GB All-Reduce
 - On 8-NPU Ring, Switch, FullyConnected

```
$ ./build.sh
$ ./exercise 2 2.sh
```

Understanding Results

result_2/tutorial_result.csv

| Name | Total Time (us) | Compute Time (us) | Exposed Communication Time (us) | Total Message Size (MB) |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Ring | 17534.229 | 0 | 17534.229 | 1792 |
| Switch | 35026.693 | 0 | 35026.693 | 1792 |
| FullyConnected | 5004.925 | 0 | 5004.925 | 1792 |



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