

Assignment No :B4

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1 Title:

Gprof task distribution.

2 Problem Definition

rite a program to check task distribution using Gprof.l.

3 Learning Objectives

1. To check task distribution using Gprof.l

4 Learning Outcomes

1. Understanding of Grpof.l.

5 Related Mathematics

Let

S = s, e, x, y, fme, DD, NDD, memshared

S = Initial State

E = End State

X = Input Value i.e. Executable files

Y = Output i.e. Calculated time in milliseconds.

Fm = Main function i.e. test() function for the calculation of time.

DD = Deterministic data

NDD = Non-deterministic data

Memshared = Core that is used for execution i.e. core1/core2

6 Concepts related theory

6.1 Gprof

- Gprof is a performance analysis tool for Unix applications. It uses a hybrid of instrumentation and sampling and was created as extended version of the older "prof" tool. Unlike prof, gprof is capable of limited call graph collecting and printing.
- GPROF was originally written by a group led by Susan L. Graham at the University of California, Berkeley for Berkeley Unix Another implementation was written as part of the GNU project for GNU Binutils in 1988 by Jay Fenlason.

6.2 Profiling Data File Format

- The old BSD-derived file format used for profile data does not contain a magic cookie that allows to check whether a data file really is a gprof file. Furthermore, it does not provide a version number, thus rendering changes to the file format almost impossible. gnu gprof uses a new file format that provides these features. For backward compatibility, gnu gprof continues to support the old BSD-derived format, but not all features are supported with it. For example, basic-block execution counts cannot be accommodated by the old file format.

6.3 Insert gprof Command Summary :

After you have a profile data file gmon.out, you can run gprof to interpret the information in it. The gprof program prints a flat profile and a call graph on standard output. Typically you would redirect the output of gprof into a file with dollar ; dollar.

6.4 You run gprof like this:

gprof options [executable-file [profile-data files...]] [>outfile]. If you omit the executable file name, the file a.out is used. If you give no profile data file name, the file gmon.out is used. If any file is not in the proper format, or if the profile data file does not appear to belong to the executable file, an error message is printed.

6.5 Debugging gprof:

If gprof was compiled with debugging enabled, the '-d' option triggers debugging output (to stdout) which can be helpful in understanding its operation. The debugging number specified is interpreted as a sum of the following options:

2 - Topological sort : Monitor depth-first numbering of symbols during call graph analysis
 4 - Cycles : Shows symbols as they are identified as cycle heads
 16 - Tallying : As the call graph arcs are read, show each arc and how the total calls to each function are tallied
 32 - Call graph arc sorting : Details sorting individual parents/children within each call graph entry
 64 - Reading histogram and call graph records : Shows address ranges of histograms as they are read, and each call graph arc
 128 - Symbol table : Reading, classifying, and sorting the symbol table from the object file. For line-by-line profiling ('-l' option), also shows line numbers being assigned to memory addresses.
 256 - Static call graph : Trace operation of '-c' option

7 Implementation:

Instrumentation code is automatically inserted into the program code during compilation (for example, by using the '-pg' option of the gcc compiler), to gather caller-function data. A call to the monitor function 'mcount' is inserted before each function call.

Sampling data is saved in 'gmon.out' or in 'progname.gmon' file just before the program exits, and can be analyzed with the 'gprof' command-line tool. Several gmon files can be combined with 'gprof -s' to accumulate data from several runs of a program.

GPROF output consists of two parts: the flat profile and the call graph. The flat profile gives the total execution time spent in each function and its percentage of the total running time. Function call counts are also reported. Output is sorted by percentage, with hot spots at the top of the list.

The second part of the output is the textual call graph, which shows for each function who called it (parent) and who it called (child subroutines). There is external tool called gprof2dot capable of converting the call graph from gprof into graphical form.

8 Program Listing

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//B4.c file :
#include<stdio.h>
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static void func2(void)
{
    printf("\n Inside func2 \n");
    int i = 0;

    for (;i<0xffffffff;i++);
    return;
}
```

```
int main(void)
{
    printf("\n Inside main()\n");
    int i = 0;

    for (;i<0xffffffff;i++);
    func2();

    return 0;
}
```

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// B4.texer.l
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Flat profile:

Each sample counts as 0.01 seconds.

% time	cumulative seconds	self seconds	calls	self s/call	total s/call	name
101.08	10.60	10.60	1	10.60	10.60	func2()
0.29	10.63	0.03				main

% time the percentage of the total running time of the program used by this function.

cumulative seconds a running sum of the number of seconds accounted for by this function and those listed above it.

self seconds the number of seconds accounted for by this function alone. This is the major sort for this listing.

calls the number of times this function was invoked, if this function is profiled, else blank.

self the average number of milliseconds spent in this
ms/call function per call, if this function is profiled,
 else blank.

total the average number of milliseconds spent in this
ms/call function and its descendents per call, if this
 function is profiled, else blank.

name the name of the function. This is the minor sort
 for this listing. The index shows the location of
 the function in the gprof listing. If the index is
 in parenthesis it shows where it would appear in
 the gprof listing if it were to be printed.

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Call graph (explanation follows)

granularity: each sample hit covers 2 byte(s) for 0.09% of 10.63 seconds

index	% time	self	children	called	name
					<spontaneous>
[1]	100.0	0.03	10.60		main [1]
		10.60	0.00	1/1	func2() [2]
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		10.60	0.00	1/1	main [1]
[2]	99.7	10.60	0.00	1	func2() [2]
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This table describes the call tree of the program, and was sorted by
the total amount of time spent in each function and its children.

Each entry in this table consists of several lines. The line with the
index number at the left hand margin lists the current function.
The lines above it list the functions that called this function,
and the lines below it list the functions this one called.

This line lists:

index A unique number given to each element of the table.
 Index numbers are sorted numerically.
 The index number is printed next to every function name so
 it is easier to look up where the function is in the table.

% time	This is the percentage of the ‘total’ time that was spent in this function and its children. Note that due to different viewpoints, functions excluded by options, etc, these numbers will NOT add up to 100%.
self	This is the total amount of time spent in this function.
children	This is the total amount of time propagated into this function by its children.
called	This is the number of times the function was called. If the function called itself recursively, the number only includes non-recursive calls, and is followed by a ‘+’ and the number of recursive calls.
name	The name of the current function. The index number is printed after it. If the function is a member of a cycle, the cycle number is printed between the function’s name and the index number.

For the function’s parents, the fields have the following meanings:

self	This is the amount of time that was propagated directly from the function into this parent.
children	This is the amount of time that was propagated from the function’s children into this parent.
called	This is the number of times this parent called the function ‘/’ the total number of times the function was called. Recursive calls to the function are not included in the number after the ‘/’.
name	This is the name of the parent. The parent’s index number is printed after it. If the parent is a member of a cycle, the cycle number is printed between the name and the index number.

If the parents of the function cannot be determined, the word ‘<spontaneous>’ is printed in the ‘name’ field, and all the other fields are blank.

For the function’s children, the fields have the following meanings:

self	This is the amount of time that was propagated directly from the child into the function.
children	This is the amount of time that was propagated from the child’s children to the function.

called	This is the number of times the function called this child ‘/’ the total number of times the child was called. Recursive calls by the child are not listed in the number after the ‘/’.
name	This is the name of the child. The child’s index number is printed after it. If the child is a member of a cycle, the cycle number is printed between the name and the index number.

If there are any cycles (circles) in the call graph, there is an entry for the cycle-as-a-whole. This entry shows who called the cycle (as parents) and the members of the cycle (as children.) The ‘+’ recursive calls entry shows the number of function calls that were internal to the cycle, and the calls entry for each member shows, for that member, how many times it was called from other members of the cycle.

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Index by function name

[2] func2() (test.c)	[1] main
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9 Output

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botman@botmatrix:~$ cd Desktop/
botman@botmatrix:~/Desktop$ cd gprof/
botman@botmatrix:~/Desktop/gprof$ gcc -Wall -pg gprof.c
new_gprof.c -o gprofobj
botman@botmatrix:~/Desktop/gprof$ ls
analysis.txt  gmon.out  gprof.c  gprofobj  new_gprof~  Untitled Document~
a.out        gprof     gprof.c~  gprof_obj  new_gprof.c
botman@botmatrix:~/Desktop/gprof$ ./gprofobj
Inside main()

Inside func1

Inside new_func1()

Inside func2

Inside func3\
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botman@botmatrix:~/Desktop/gprof$ ls
analysis.txt  gmon.out  gprof.c  gprofobj  new_gprof~  Untitled Document~
a.out        gprof     gprof.c~ gprof_obj  new_gprof.c
botman@botmatrix:~/Desktop/gprof$ gprof gprofobj gmon.out > analysis.txt
botman@botmatrix:~/Desktop/gprof$ ls
analysis.txt  gmon.out  gprof.c  gprofobj  new_gprof~  Untitled Document~
a.out        gprof     gprof.c~ gprof_obj  new_gprof.c
botman@botmatrix:~/Desktop/gprof$

```

10 Testing

10.1 Positive Testing

Sr. No.	Test Condition	Steps to be executed	Expected Result	Actual Result
1.	Give a program with lot of functions & loop	Press Enter	Display time required to evaluate	Same as Expected

10.2 Negative Testing

Sr. No.	Test Condition	Steps to be executed	Expected Result	Actual Result
1.	Give a program with no functions & loop	Press Enter	No time will display	Display time required to evaluate

11 CONCLUSION :

Hence we have successfully run the program using GPROF profiling tool.