Quantifying the Impact of Factors Affecting Communication Performance



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Motivation

- Communication performance greatly impacts execution time
- Existing tools do not identify the factors impacting communication performance
- We aim to use simulations and MPI profiling from real executions to quantify the impact of factors affecting communication performance

Objectives

- Create MPI profiles for UMT2013, AMG2013 and PF3D on Quartz for various node sizes (weak scaling)
- Create different simulation configurations to isolate the impact of different parameters on total execution time

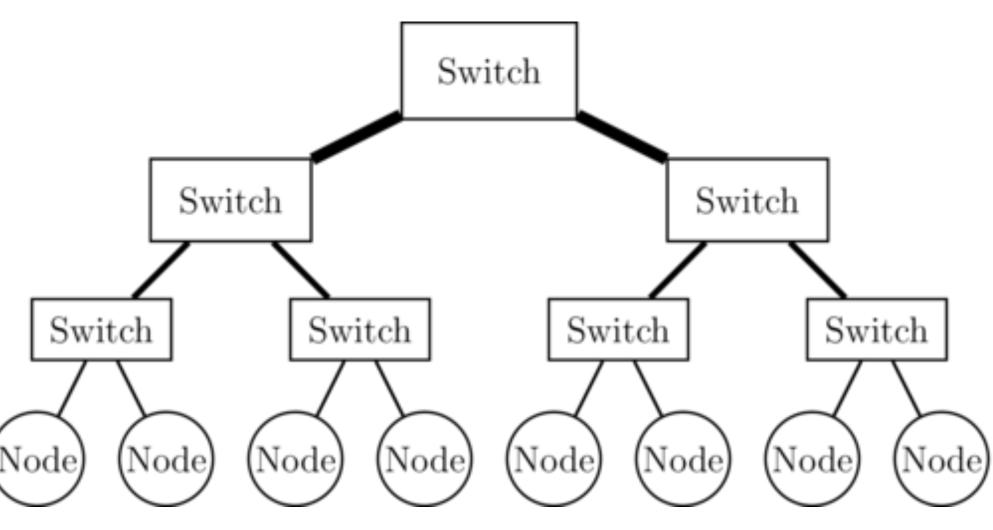
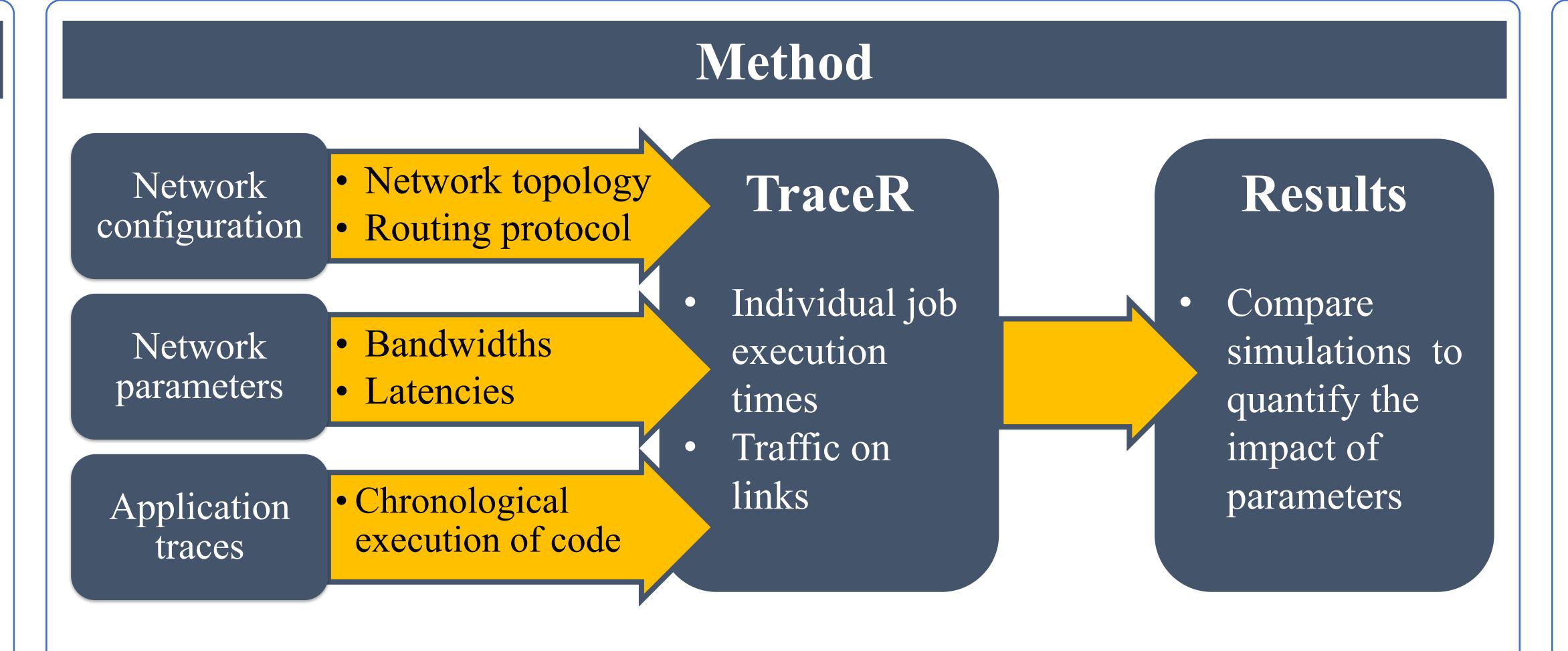
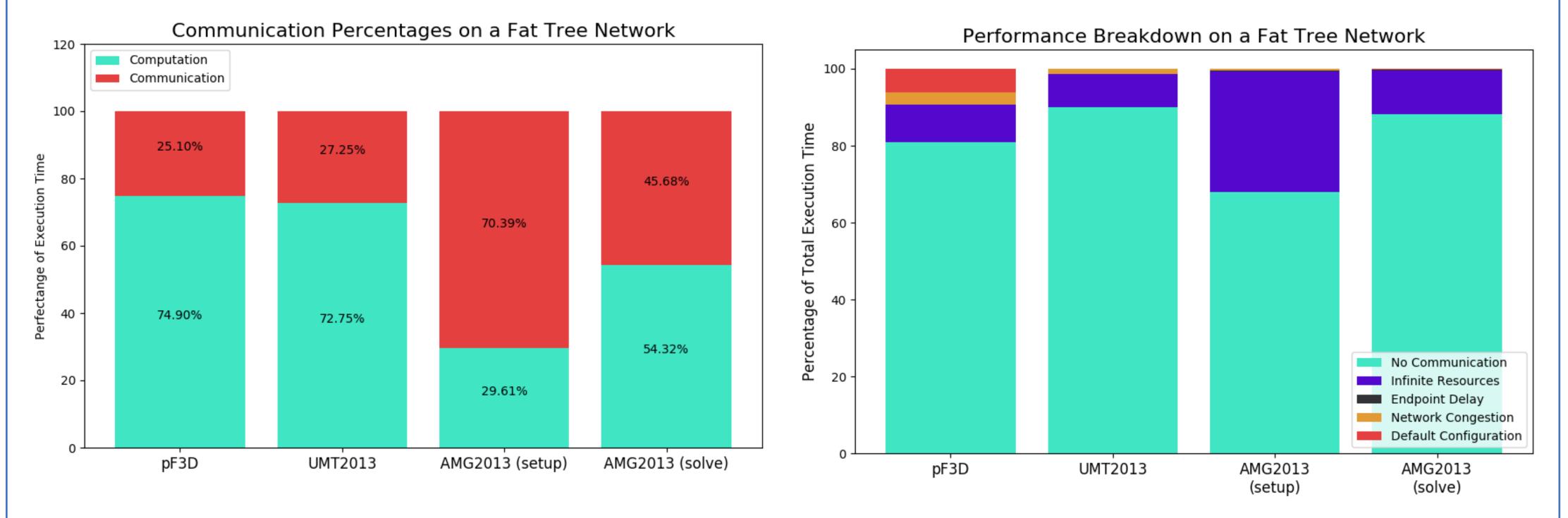


Fig. 1: Fat tree network

(http://jhnet.co.uk/projects/figures/fat_tree/fat_tree.png)



Performance Breakdown

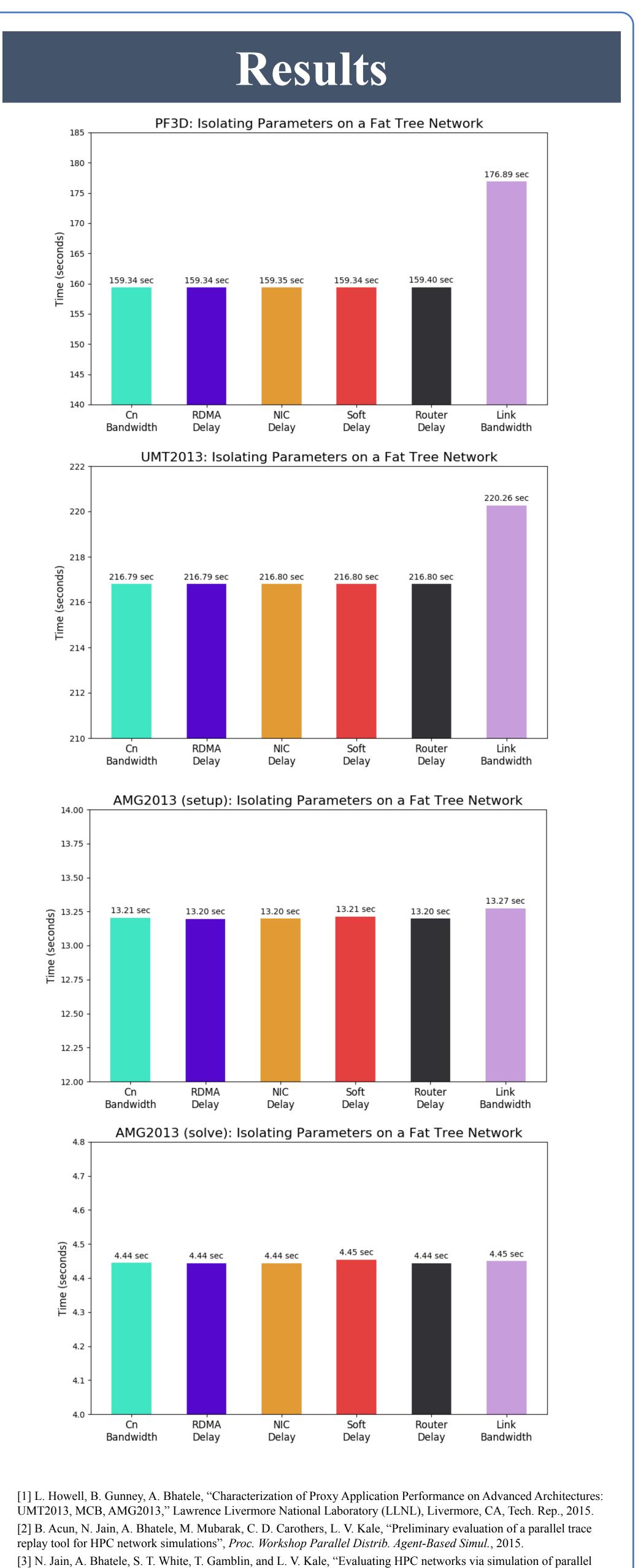


Discussion

- Noticeable jumps from no communication to infinite resources to original configuration
- Link bandwidth has the biggest impact on total execution time

Future Work

• Randomly inject artificial delays into the network to simulate bottlenecks created by running multiple applications



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