AUTOTUNING HLS FOR FPGAS USING OPENTUNER AND LEGUP

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The slides and all source code are hosted at GitHub:

- Code & Data: github.com/phrb/legup-tuner
- Slides: github.com/phrb/slides-reconfig-2017-autotuning

FPGAs:

- Logic Blocks and Interconnections
- Reconfigurable

Tradeoff:

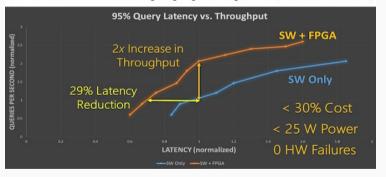
- Energy Efficiency and Performance
- Programmability



FPGAs

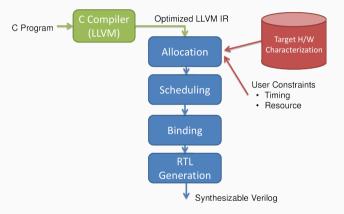
Using FPGAs in Bing:

1,632 Servers with FPGAs Running Bing Page Ranking Service (~30,000 lines of C++)



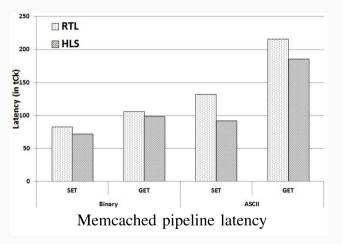
 $Image: \verb|enterprise| tech.com/2014/09/03/microsoft-using-fpgas-speed-bing-search/| [Accessed in 27/11/17] | tech.com/2014/09/03/microsoft-using-search/| [Accessed in 27/11/17]$

LegUp HLS flow:



 $Image: Canis, Andrew \ Christopher. \ Leg Up: Open-Source \ High-Level \ Synthesis \ Research \ Framework. \ Diss. \ University of \ Toronto, 2015.$

HLS can generate lower-latency applications:



Qualitatively, with less effort:

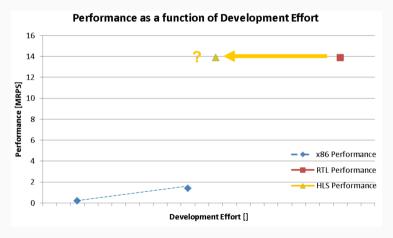


Image: Blott, Michaela, et al. "Achieving 10Gbps line-rate key-value stores with FPGAs." Presented as part of the 5th USENIX Workshop on Hot Topics in Cloud Computing. 2013.

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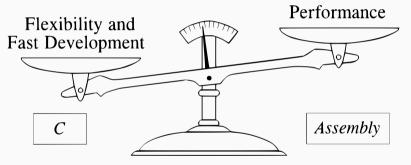


Image: Smith, Steven W. "The scientist and engineer's guide to digital signal processing." 1997

FPGAs: AUTOTUNING

Why use autotuning for HLS?

AUTOTUNING LLVM FOR HLS

Compare with Huang's work

AUTOTUNING INDUSTRY DESIGNS FOR VTR

Describe Xu's work with OpenTuner

BENCHMARK AND HARDWARE METRICS

Describe CHStone and Metric Composition Strategy

WEIGHTED OPTIMIZATION SCENARIOS

Describe the four scenarios

RESULTS

Present the heatmaps for each optimization scenario $\,$

LIMITATIONS OF THIS WORK

Discuss the issues with the weighted cost function

FUTURE WORK

Discuss all future work topics

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