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Performance Analysis and Modeling

Hands-on tutorial

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- Performance profiles and their analysis with Cube
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- Usage of Extra-P
- Model output in text form
- Interactive visual analysis of model output with Cube

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Using Score-P & Cube



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Usage of Score-P

- Instrumentation tool (sampling support soon)
- Produces performance profiles (+ optional traces)
- Modules (on Lichtenberg): papi, openmpi/intel, scorep/intel/ompi/1.4.2
- Prepend compilation and linking with *scorep*:
 - *scorep* \$(MPI_CC) \$(CFLAGS) ... / *scorep* \$(MPI_CC) \$(LDFLAGS) ...
 - *scorep --user* to support user instrumentation directives

Score-P (common) environment variables

- SCOREP_EXPERIMENT_DIRECTORY=scorep_dir
- SCOREP_ENABLE_TRACING=0
 - Tracing is disabled by default
- SCOREP_METRIC_PAPI=PAPI_FP_OPS,PAPI_L3_TCM,PAPI_L2_TCM
 - Run *papi_avail* and *papi_native_avail* to get available events
- SCOREP_FILTERING_FILE=func.flt
 - Optional, use only if small functions cause significant perturbation

Functions filtering

- Format of the filter file:

```
SCOREP_REGION_NAMES_BEGIN
```

```
EXCLUDE atoi*
```

```
EXCLUDE binbinsearch*
```

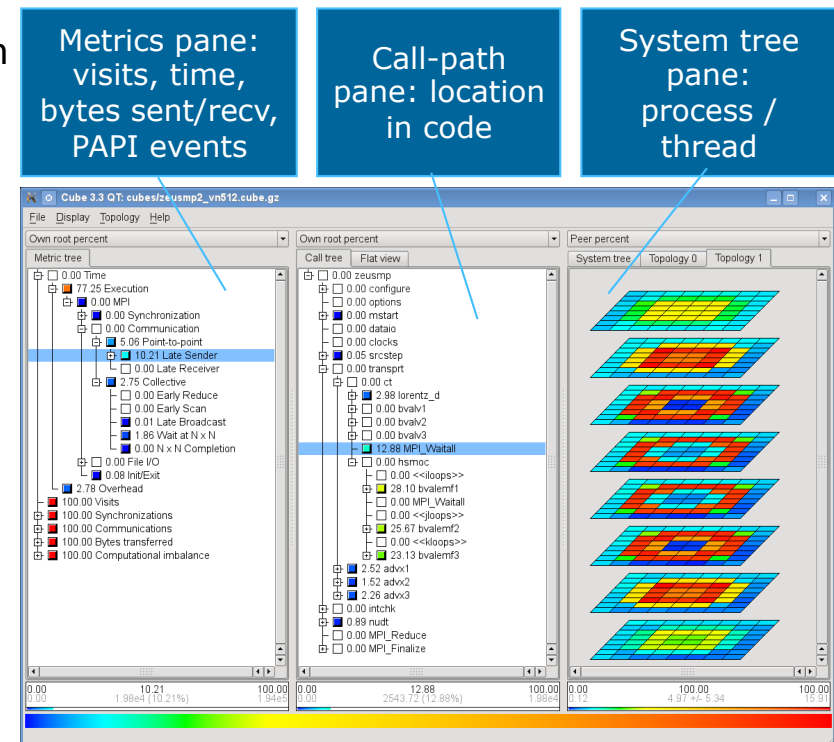
```
SCOREP_REGION_NAMES_END
```

Score-P output

- In SCOREP_EXPERIMENT_DIRECTORY:
 - scorep.cfg – configuration and environment variables
 - profile.cubex – performance profile
- Performance profile:
 - Cube file
 - 3 dimensions: metric, callpath location, system location (thread/process)
- scorep-score -r <scorep_dir>/profile.cubex
 - Estimate size for tracing
 - Estimate the results of specifying a filter file

Performance profile analysis

- Multiple Cube installs, use:
 - `source /home/groups/da_lpp/modules/loadModules.sh`
 - `module load extrap/1.0`
- Open the profile in Cube
 - `cube <scorep_dir>/profile.cubex`
- Pay attention to sum, min, max values of metrics



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Live demonstration



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Using Extra-P

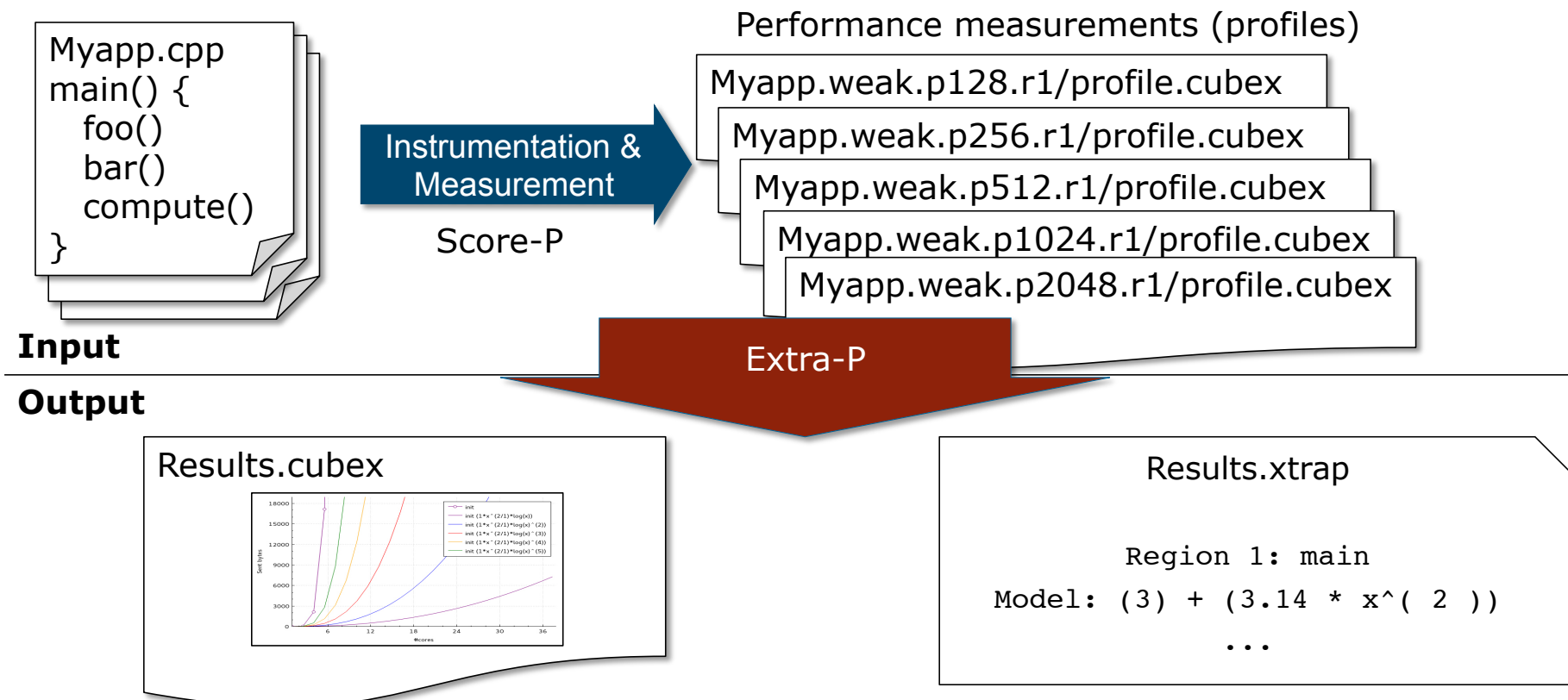


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Automatic performance modeling with Extra-P



Extra-P – usage

- Load Extra-P module :
 - `source /home/groups/da_lpp/modules/loadModules.sh`
 - `module load extrap/1.0`

- Two modes are possible, both require a configuration file:
 - `extra-p extra-p.conf`
(All other configuration details found in `extra-p.conf`)or
 - `extra-p extra-p.conf <inputfilename>`
(Overrides file name from `extra-p.conf`)

Extra-P configuration – example

```
# Name of the input file
INPUT cube_conf.txt

# Weak(1) or strong(2) scaling - measurements are averaged across all threads or summed up. If another parameter than processor is varied use 1
SCALING 1

# Input format.
# 1 - Cube files. Input file is expected to contain additional information. Use the cube_inputs.conf file as an example and template.
# 2 - Test. Input file is used to test modeling method. Use the input.txt file as an example and template.
# Other input types are not supported at this time

INPUT_TYPE 1

# output cube file will be placed at "cubes/<OUTPUT_CUBEX>.cubex"
OUTPUT_CUBEX extrap

# Maximum number of terms which can be part of a model (the constant term, or intercept, is counted). N=2 is usually the correct choice to identify unknown behavior as it
only captures the dominant behavior
N 2

# Optional. Only experiments which have the parameter value modulo step-size 0 are used. Step-size 1 effectively disables this.
STEP_SIZE 1

# Term set. Each line <TERM a b c> generates a term of the form  $x^{(a/b)}(\log_2(x))^c$ 
TERM 0 1 1
....
```

Extra-P configuration – input

- INPUT <filename>

- Test – file with actual values to be modeled
- Cube – file with information about the path and naming scheme of Cube files with values to be modeled

- INPUT_TYPE <1|2>

- Selects the type of input Extra-P should expect
 - 1 selects Cube files
 - 2 selects the “Test” format used mainly for small examples or debugging
 - further options are undocumented but will soon become available (csv, tsv, hdf5)

Extra-P configuration – scaling

- SCALING <1|2>
- Useful when inputs are Cube files and the number of processes is the parameter to be varied
- Weak scaling: 1 – measured values averaged across processes / threads
- Strong scaling: 2 – measured values summed up across processes / threads

Extra-P configuration – output Cube

- OUTPUT_CUBEX <filename>
- Output file will be placed in “cubes/<filename>”
- Text output will also be generated “<date/time>.xtrap”
- More options for formatting output text can be made available. We are actively looking for user feedback about useful output formats

Extra-P configuration – model size

- $N < 1|2|3|4|5 >$
- Maximum number of terms which can be part of a model
- The constant term, or intercept, is counted
- $N=2$ is usually a good choice
 - Identifies dominant behavior
 - Reduces the chance for noise to be modeled

Extra-P configuration – step size

- STEP_SIZE <#>
- Useful when only a subset of a larger pool of measurements is to be modeled
- If step size is different from 1 only measurements where the parameter value modulo step size is zero are considered

Extra-P configuration – term definition

- TERM a b c
- Each line adds the term $x^{(a/b)}(\log_2(x))^c$ to the set of terms used to create models
- Default set allows most commonly encountered scaling behaviors to be modeled
- Performance model normal form can be expanded to allow more types of terms if deemed necessary

Extra-P input in text form

- Useful to debug or when a small data set must be modeled
- Example provided in **input.txt**

x p



```
POINTS ( 1000 ) ( 2000 ) ( 4000 ) ( 8000 ) ( 16000 )
```

```
REGION region1
```

```
METRIC metric1
```

```
DATA 1 1 1 1 1
```

```
DATA 4 4 4 3.99 4.01
```

```
DATA 16 15.999 16.01 16.01 15.99
```

```
DATA 64 64 64 64.01 63.99
```

```
DATA 256.01 255.99 256 256
```

Parameter name
Useful for future compatibility
with multi-parameter modeling

Extra-P input in text form

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X p

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`METRIC metric1`

`DATA 1 1 1 1 1`

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`DATA 16 15.999 16.01 16.01 15.99`

`DATA 64 64 64 64.01 63.99`

`DATA 256.01 255.99 256 256`

Measurement points

Use at least 4, preferably 5,
but in general the more the better

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DATA 16 15.999 16.01 16.01 15.99
DATA 64 64 64 64.01 63.99
DATA 256.01 255.99 256 256
```

Region name

Metric name

Both used to determine the output
Cube file hierarchical structure and
identify separate data sets

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METRIC metric1
DATA 1 1 1 1 1
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DATA 16 15.999 16.01 16.01 15.99
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DATA 256.01 255.99 256 256
```

Data points

Each row corresponds to a point;
all values in a row are considered
repeat measurements of the same
experiment

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x p
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DATA 16 15.999 16.01 16.01 15.99
DATA 64 64 64 64.01 63.99
DATA 256.01 255.99 256 256
```

Parameter name

Measurement points

Region name

Metric name

Data points

Extra-P configuration – example

- Edit extra-p.conf:

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INPUT input.txt

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SCALING 1

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INPUT_TYPE 2
....
```

- Run: extrap extra-p.conf
- Examine results: <datetime>.xtrap

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Results in text form



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Extra-P output – .xtrap file

Measurements and model data for each metric:

REGION 4 main::MPI_Bcast

Metric: time

(32, 8.5346)+-(0.0, 0.101737)
 (64, 13.7296)+-(0.0, 0.107976)
 (128, 19.7515)+-(0.0, 0.26828)
 (256, 29.9048)+-(0.0, 0.551215)
 (512, 44.724)+-(0.0, 3.05437)
 (1024, 103.529)+-(0.0, 0.767925)
 (2048, 132.864)+-(0.0, 3.85616)
 (4096, 200.779)+-(0.0, 1.61193)

AdjR2: 0.983131

RSS (fit error): 490.025

Procentual relative error: 3.99708%

Model: (-17.4593) + (3.38532 * x^(0.5))

Metric name; either Score-P metrics (time, bytes, etc.) or custom metrics

Measurements for each input element (e.g., #processes)

Adjusted R² (explained previously)

RSS: Residual sum of squares

Percentile relative error: Often provides a better intuition of the model's quality

Best-fit model

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Modeling sets of Cube experiments



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Extra-P configuration – Cube input description

- Template: cube_inputs.conf
- Modeling tool expects Cube files in the following format:
 <DIR>/<PREFIX><X><POSTFIX>.r<{1,..,REPS}>/<FILENAME>
- DIR, PREFIX, X, POSTFIX, REPS and FILENAME must all be defined.
 - X – value of varied parameter e.g. number of processes
 - REPS – number of repeated experiments with same parameter value

Extra-P configuration – Cube input example

```
...
X 64 256 512 1024 2048

# PREFIX
# Description: Prefix of your directories. Keep empty if no prefix
# Example: PREFIX abc-weak.
PREFIX scorep_scorep_weak.p

# POSTFIX
# Description: Postfix of your directories. Keep empty if no postfix
# Example: POSTFIX .def
POSTFIX

# Example: FILENAME profile.cubex
FILENAME profile.cubex

# DIR
# Description: Directory containing your input cube files/directories
# Example: /home/extra-p/inputs/
DIR /home/livetau/extrap/share/doc/examples/inputs/sweep3D/
```

```
# REPS
# Description: Allowed values >= 1. Number of repetitions per
experiment.
# Example: REPS 4
REPS 5

# USE_REPS_POSTFIX
# Description: Allowed values are '0' and '1'.
# If set to 0 no repetition postfix will be appended to the directory
names.
# If set to 1 a repetition postfix '.r<{1,..,REPS}>' will be appended to
the directory names.
USE_REPS_POSTFIX 1
```

Extra-P configuration – Cube input example

```
...
X 64 256 1024 4096 16384

# PREFIX
# Description: Prefix of your directories. Keep empty if no prefix
# Example: PREFIX abc-weak.
PREFIX blast.p

# POSTFIX
# Description: Postfix of your directories. Keep empty if no postfix
# Example: POSTFIX .def
POSTFIX

# Example: FILENAME profile.cubex
FILENAME profile.cubex

# DIR
# Description: Directory containing your input cube files/directories
# Example: /home/extra-p/inputs/
DIR /home/livetau/extrap/share/doc/examples/inputs/blast/
```

```
# REPS
# Description: Allowed values >= 1. Number of repetitions per
experiment.
# Example: REPS 5
REPS 5

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Extra-P examples

- Extra-P examples here:

`/home/groups/da_lpp/modules/packages/extrap/1.0/share/doc/extra-p/examples/tutorial`

- Both Sweep3D and Blast inputs:
 - Sweep3D – neutron transport problem
 - Blast – high-order finite element hydrodynamics code

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Visualization with Cube



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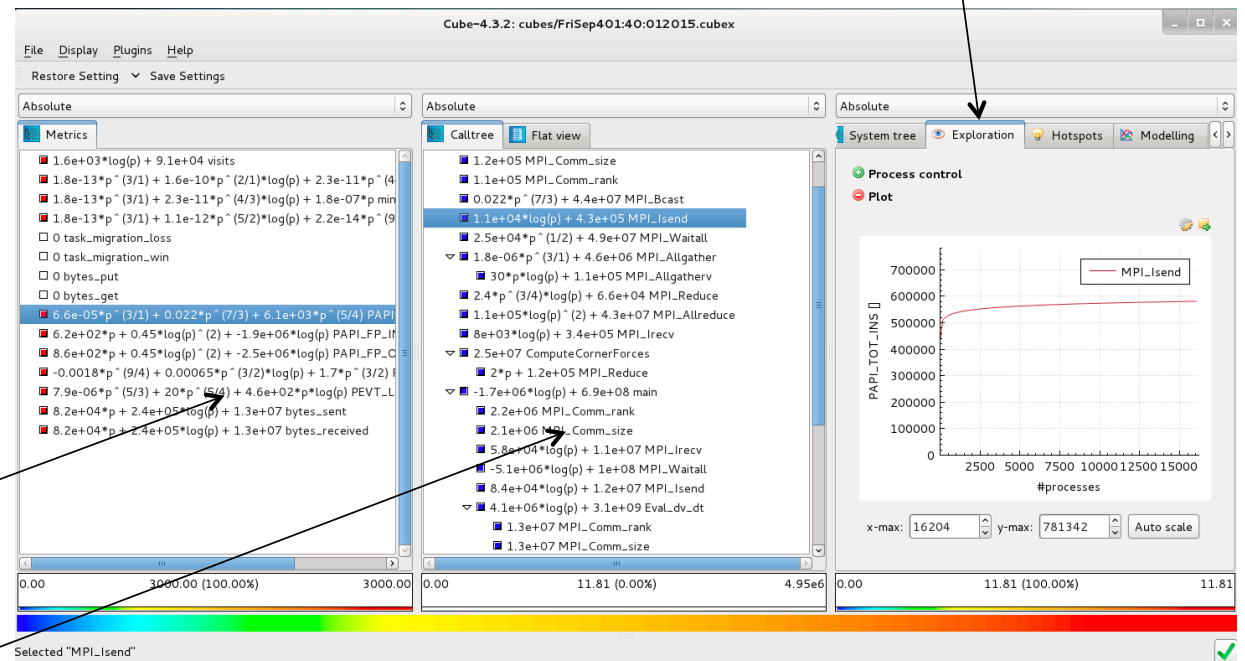
Extra-P output – merged Cube profile

- Stored in cubes/ sub-directory
- Open by running:
cube cubes/<name>.cubex
- *Metrics* and *call-tree* nodes – two different dimensions

Extra-P Cube plugins

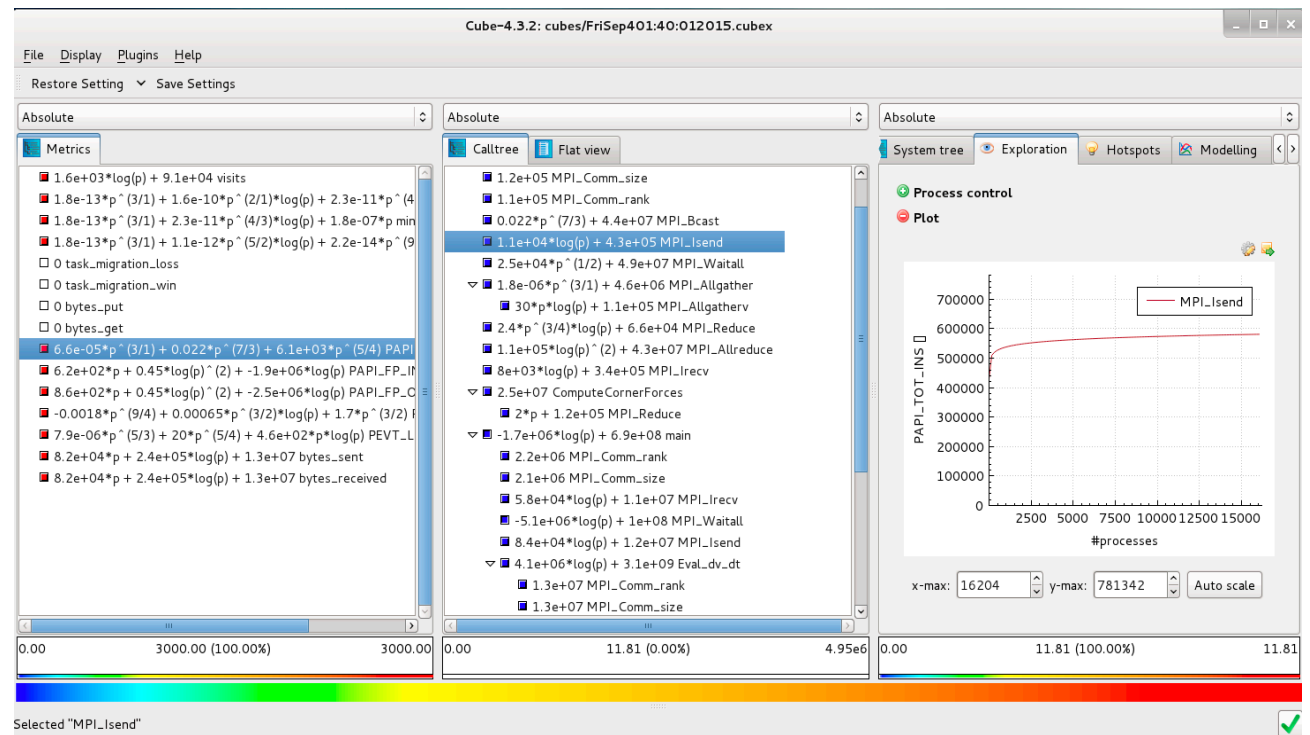
Metrics selection

Call-tree pane



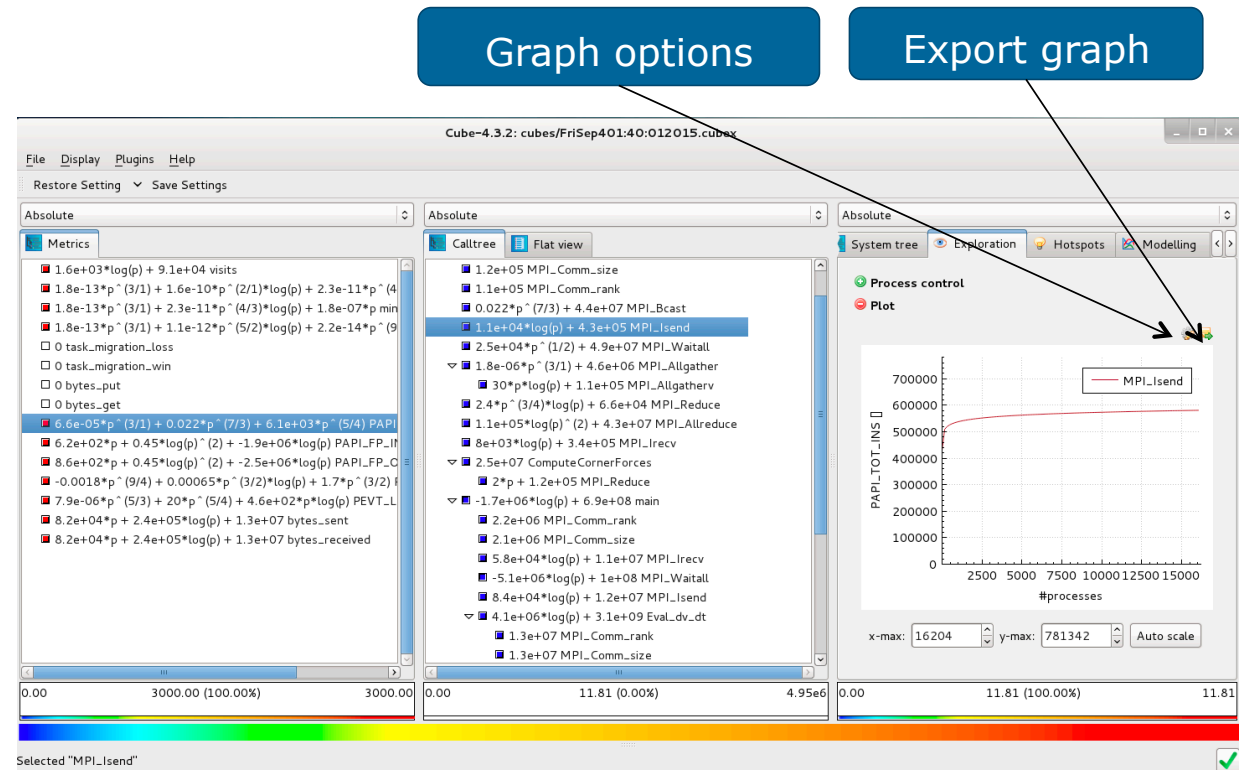
Extra-P Cube plugins – exploration

- Adjust *exploration* settings (as needed)
- Process control:
Plot is shown for only one process or as a function



Extra-P Cube plugins – exploration (2)

- Plot:
Shows the model as a plot
- Graph options:
x-max, y-max
Auto-scale
- Export graph:
Plot can be exported to TikZ,
PNG, and PDF



Extra-P Cube plugins – modeling

- Run Extra-P from Cube
- Configuration is similar to *extra-p.conf* parameters
- Uses stored data points as input

