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# Understanding applications with Paraver

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# Extrae and Paraver Hands-on



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# Install Paraver

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#### CORE TOOLS

**EXTRAE**  
Instrumentation framework to generate execution traces of the most used parallel runtimes.

Get EXTRAE

Version 3.4.1 • 2.24 MB

101 RAW

**PARAVAR**  
Expressive powerful and flexible trace visualizer for post-mortem trace analysis.

Get PARAVAR

Version 4.6.3 • 1.56 MB

101 RAW

**DIMEMAS**  
High-abstracted network simulator for message-passing programs.

Get DIMEMAS

Version 5.2.12 • 1.09 MB

101 RAW

**CLUST**  
Automatic application

**SPECT**  
Signal processing regions from

wxparaver-4.7.2-win.zip

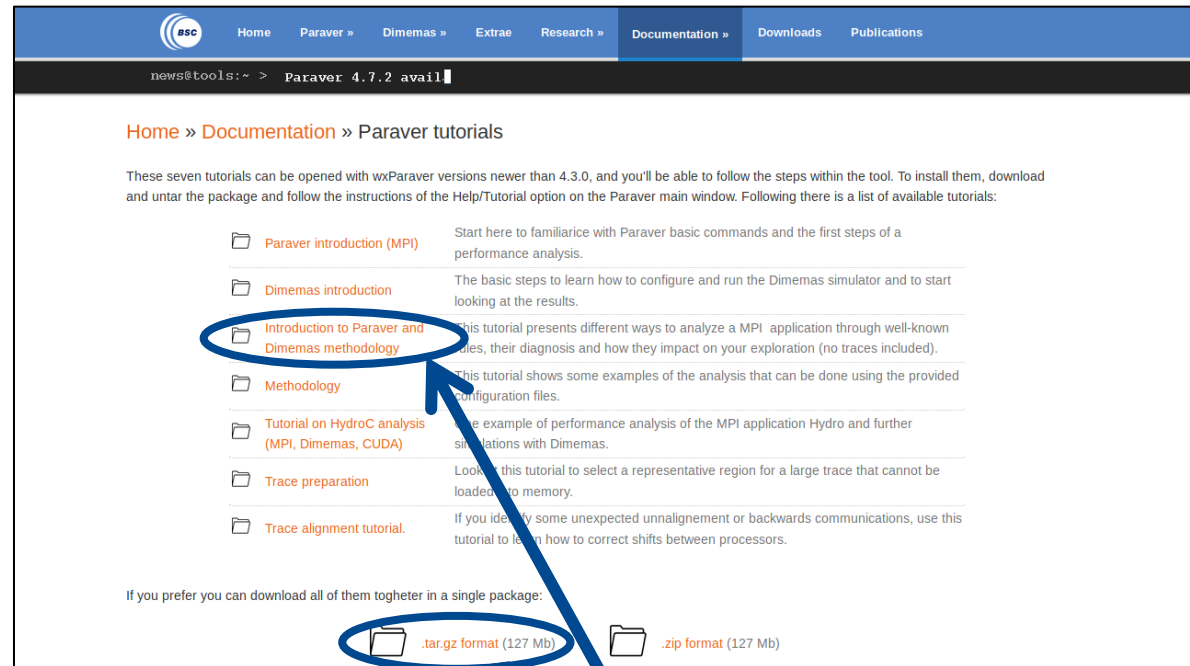
wxparaver-4.7.2-mac.zip

wxparaver-4.7.2-Linux\_i686.tar.gz (32-bits)

wxparaver-4.7.2-Linux\_x86\_64.tar.gz (64-bits)

# Install Paraver (II)

- Download tutorials:
  - Documentation
    - Paraver tutorials



# Uncompress, rename & move

- Paraver

@ your laptop

```
> tar xf wxparaver-4.8.1-linux-x86_64.tar.gz  
> mv wxparaver-4.8.1-linux-x86_64 paraver
```

- Tutorials

@ your laptop

```
> tar xf paraver-tutorials-20150526.tar.gz  
> mv paraver-tutorials-20150526 paraver/tutorials
```

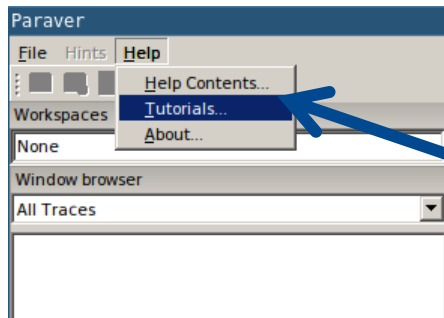
# Check that everything works

- Start Paraver

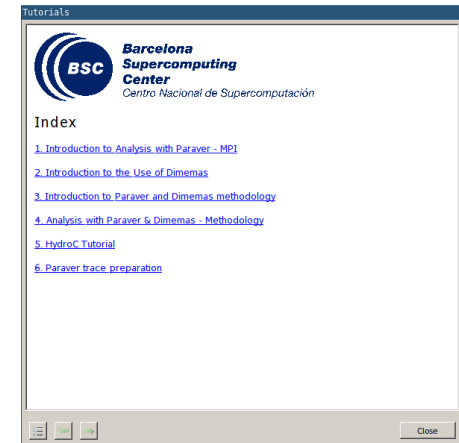
@ your laptop

```
> paraver/bin/wxparaver
```

- Check that tutorials are available



Click on Help → Tutorials



- Trouble installing locally? Remote open from kabre

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> ssh -Y <USER>@cluster.cenat.ac.cr
```

```
➤ ln -s ~gimenez1/tools/wxparaver64/bin/wxparaver  
wxparaver
```

# Log in to kabré

@ your laptop

```
> ssh -Y <USER>@cluster.cenat.ac.cr
```

- Copy the examples to your home folder:

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> cp -r ~jgimenez/BSC-handson/ $HOME  
  
> ls -l $HOME/BSC-handson/  
... apps  
... traces  
... slides
```

# OpenMP example: matrix

- Comparing the location of the parallel for pragma

```
#pragma omp parallel for  
for(int i=0; i<N; i++){  
    for(int k=0; k<N; k++){  
        for(int j=0; j<N; j++){
```

matrix.l1

```
for(int i=0; i<N; i++){  
    #pragma omp parallel for  
        for(int k=0; k<N; k++){  
            for(int j=0; j<N; j++){
```

matrix.l2

- Check the script content
- Submit the job script

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> cd $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/matrix  
> qsub matrix.pbs
```



# OpenMP example: matrix

- Copy the traces to your laptop

@ your laptop

```
> scp <USER>@cluster.cenat.ac.cr: \
    BSC_handson/apps/matrix/matrix.l?.* $HOME
```

- Load the traces with Paraver

@ your laptop

```
> wxparaver matrix.l?.prv*
```

- Trouble getting in the queues? Already available at ~/BSC-handson/traces/matrix/matrix.l?.\*
- Compare the two executions with paraver

# MPI example: jacobi

- Submit the job script

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> cd $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/jacobi  
> qsub job.kabre
```

- Copy the traces to your laptop and load the trace with Paraver

@ your laptop

```
> scp <USER>@cluster.cenat.ac.cr: \  
    BSC_handson/apps/jacobi/jacobi.???* $HOME  
> wxparaver jacobi.prv*
```

- Trouble getting in the queues? Already available at ~/BSC-handson/traces/jacobi/jacobi.???\*
- Look at the execution with paraver

# Extrae features

- Platforms
  - Intel, Cray, BlueGene, MIC, ARM, Android, Fujitsu Sparc...
- Parallel programming models
  - MPI, OpenMP, pthreads, OmpSs, CUDA, OpenCL, Java, Python...
- Performance Counters
  - Using PAPI interface
- Link to source code
  - Callstack at MPI routines
  - OpenMP outlined routines
  - Selected user functions (Dyninst)
- Periodic sampling
- User events (Extrae API)

**No need  
to  
recompile  
/ relink!**

# Extrae overheads

	Average values	Kábre (login)	Kabré (Zárate)
Event	150-200 ns	180 ns	600 ns
Event + PAPI	750 ns – 1 us	580 ns	4.7 us
Event + callstack (1 level)	600 ns	750 ns	3.4 us
Event + callstack (6 levels)	2 us	1.7us	8.2 us

# How does Extrae work?

- Symbol substitution through LD\_PRELOAD
  - Specific libraries for each combination of runtimes
    - MPI
    - OpenMP
    - OpenMP+MPI
    - ...
- Dynamic instrumentation
  - Based on Dyninst (developed by U.Wisconsin / U.Maryland)
    - Instrumentation in memory
    - Binary rewriting
- Alternatives
  - Compiler instrumentation (-finstrument-functions – Intel, GNU)
  - Static link (i.e., PMPI, Extrae API)

**Recommended**

# Using Extrae in 3 steps

1. **Adapt** your job submission scripts
  2. (Optional) **Tune** the Extrae XML configuration file
    - Examples distributed with Extrae at `$EXTRAE_HOME/share/example`
  3. **Run** it!
- For further reference check the **Extrae User Guide**:
    - <https://tools.bsc.es/sites/default/files/documentation/html/extrae/index.html>
    - Also distributed with Extrae at `$EXTRAE_HOME/share/doc`

# Step 1: Adapt the job script to load Extrae

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> vi $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/lulesh/job.kabre
```

## job.kabre

```
#PBS -N extrae
#PBS -q phi-nlh72
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=27
#PBS -l walltime=00:20:00

cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR

module load mpich/3.2.1

mpirun ./lulesh2.0 -i 20 -s 64 -p
```

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module load mpich/3.2.1

export TRACE_NAME=lulesh2_27p.prv

mpirun ./extrae/trace.sh ./lulesh2.0 -i 20 -s
64 -p
```



# Step 1: Adapt the job script to load Extrae

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> vi $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/lulesh/extrae/trace.sh
```

job.kabre

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#PBS -q phi-nlh72
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=27
#PBS -l walltime=00:20:00
```

```
cd $PBS_O_WORKDIR
```

```
module load mpich/3.2.1
```

```
export TRACE_NAME=lulesh2_2/p.prv
```

```
mpirun /extrae/trace.sh /lulesh2.0 -i 20 -s
64 -p
```

Select  
"what to trace"

trace.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
export EXTRAE_HOME=/home/jgimenez/tools/extrae-3.6.1
export EXTRAE_CONFIG_FILE=extrae/extrae.xml
export LD_PRELOAD=${EXTRAE_HOME}/lib/libmpitrace.so #
For C apps
#export LD_PRELOAD=${EXTRAE_HOME}/lib/libmpitracef.so
# For Fortran apps
```

```
## Run the desired program
$*
```

Select your  
type of application

# Step 1: Which tracing library?

- Choose depending on the application type

Library	Serial	MPI	OpenMP	pthread	CUDA
libseqtrace	✓				
libmpitrace[f] <sup>1</sup>		✓			
libomptrace			✓		
libpttrace				✓	
libcudatrace					✓
libompitrace[f] <sup>1</sup>		✓	✓		
libptmpitrace[f] <sup>1</sup>		✓		✓	
libcudampitrace[f] <sup>1</sup>		✓			✓

<sup>1</sup> include suffix “f” in Fortran codes

# Step 3: Run it!

- Submit your job

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> cd $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/lulesh  
  
> qsub job.kabre
```

- Easy! 😊

# Step 2: Extrae XML configuration

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> vi $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/lulesh/extrae/extrae.xml
```

```
<mpi enabled="yes">  
  <counters enabled="yes" />  
</mpi>
```

Trace the MPI calls  
(What's the program doing?)

```
<openmp enabled="no">  
  <locks enabled="no" />  
  <counters enabled="yes" />  
</openmp>
```

```
<pthread enabled="no">  
  <locks enabled="no" />  
  <counters enabled="yes" />  
</pthread>
```

Trace the call-stack  
(Where in my code?)

```
<callers enabled="yes">  
  <mpi enabled="yes">1-3</mpi>  
  <sampling enabled="no">1-5</sampling>  
</callers>
```

# Step 2: Extrae XML configuration (II)

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> vi $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/lulesh/extrae/extrae.xml
```

```
<counters enabled="yes">
  <cpu enabled="yes" starting-set-distribution="1">
    <set enabled="yes" domain="all" changeat-time="500000us">
      PAPI_TOT_INS, PAPI_TOT_CYC, PAPI_L1_DCM, PAPI_L2_DCM, PAPI_BR_MSP, RESOURCE_STALLS
    </set>
    <set enabled="yes" domain="all" changeat-time="500000us">
      PAPI_TOT_INS, PAPI_TOT_CYC, PAPI_L3_TCM, PAPI_LD_INS, PAPI_SR_INS
    </set>
    <set enabled="yes" domain="all" changeat-time="500000us">
      PAPI_TOT_INS, PAPI_TOT_CYC, PAPI_VEC_DP
    </set>
    <set enabled="yes" domain="all" changeat-time="500000us">
      PAPI_TOT_INS, PAPI_TOT_CYC, PAPI_VEC_SP, PAPI_FP_INS
    </set>
  </cpu>
  <network enabled="no" />
  <resource-usage enabled="no" />
  <memory-usage enabled="no" />
</counters>
```

Select which HW counters  
are measured

# Step 2: Extrae XML configuration (III)

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
> vi $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/lulesh/extrae/extrae.xml
```

```
<buffer enabled="yes">  
  <size enabled="yes">5000000</size>  
  <circular enabled="no" />  
</buffer>
```

Trace buffer size  
(Flush/memory trade-off)

```
<sampling enabled="no" type="default" period="50m" variability="10m" />
```

Enable sampling  
(Want more details?)

```
<merge enabled="yes"  
  synchronization="default"  
  tree-fan-out="16"  
  max-memory="512"  
  joint-states="yes"  
  keep-mpits="yes"  
  sort-addresses="yes"  
  overwrite="yes"
```

Automatic post-processing  
to generate the trace

```
>  
  $TRACE_NAME$  
</merge>
```

# All done! Check your resulting trace

- Once finished (check with `squeue`) you will have the trace (3 files):

@ cluster.cenat.ac.cr

```
➤ ls -l $HOME/BSC-handson/apps/lulesh
...
lulesh2_27p.pcf
lulesh2_27p.prv
lulesh2_27p.row
```

- Trouble getting in the queues? Already available at ~/BSC-handson/traces/lulesh/lulesh2\_27p.\*
- Now let's look into it !

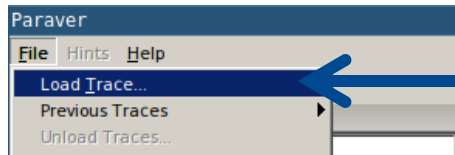
# First steps of analysis

- Copy the trace to your laptop

@ your laptop

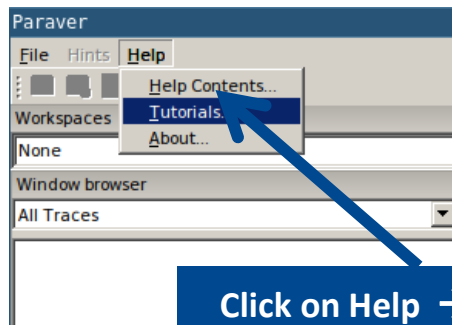
```
> scp <USER>@cluster.cenat.ac.cr: \
    BSC_handson/apps/lulesh/lulesh2_27p.* $HOME
```

- Load the trace with Paraver

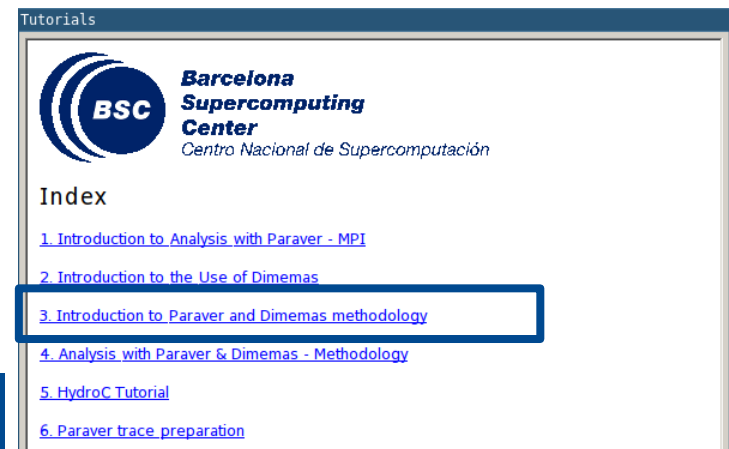


Click on File → Load Trace → Browse to “lulesh2.0\_27p.prv”

- Follow Tutorial #3



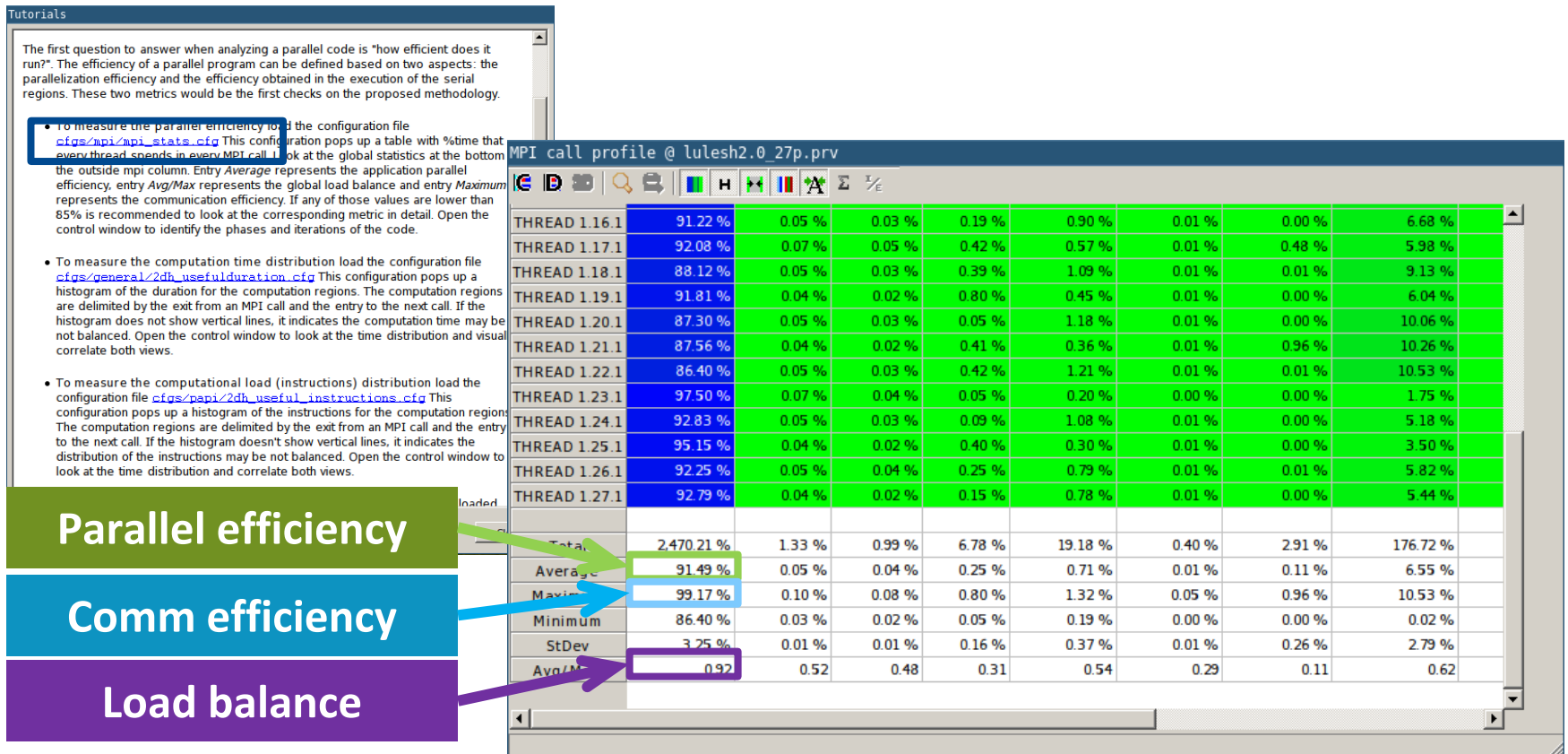
Click on Help → Tutorials





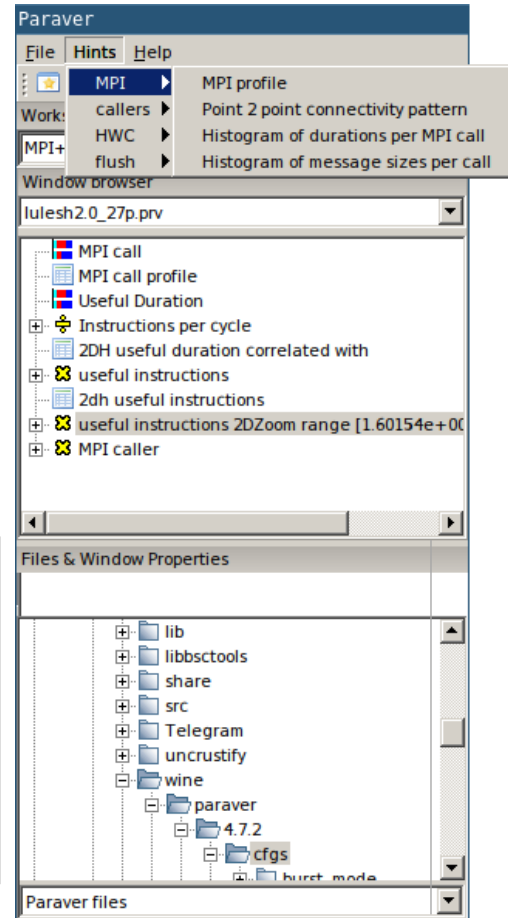
# Measure the parallel efficiency

- Click on “mpi\_stats.cfg”
- Check the **Average** for the column labeled “**Outside MPI**”



# Hints: a good place to start!

- Paraver suggests CFG's based on the information present in the trace



# CFG's distribution

- Paraver comes with many more included CFG's

