

Analysis report examination with Cube





Parallel program analysis report exploration tools

- Libraries for XML+binary report reading & writing
- Algebra utilities for report processing
- GUI for interactive analysis exploration
 - Requires $Qt \ge 5$

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- Originally developed as part of the Scalasca toolset
- Now available as separate components
 - Can be installed independently of Score-P and Scalasca, e.g., on laptop/desktop
 - Latest releases: Cube v4.8.2 (Sep 2023)

Note: source distribution tarballs for Linux, as well as binary packages provided for Linux, Windows & MacOS, from **www.scalasca.org** website in Software/Cube 4.x



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CubeLib

CubeGUI

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Analysis presentation and exploration

- Representation of values (severity matrix) on three hierarchical axes
 - Performance property (metric)
 - Call path (program location)

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- System location (process/thread)
- Three coupled tree browsers
- Cube displays severities
 - As value: for precise comparison
 - As *colour*: for easy identification of hotspots
 - Inclusive value when closed & exclusive value when expanded
 - Customizable via display modes



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Location

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Inclusive vs. exclusive values

Inclusive

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- Information of all sub-elements aggregated into single value
- Exclusive
 - Information cannot be subdivided further





Score-P analysis report exploration (opening view)



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Metric selection

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Expanding the system tree

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Expanding the call tree

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Selecting a call path

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Source-code view via context menu

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Source-code view

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Flat profile view

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Box plot view

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Alternative display modes

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Important display modes

Absolute

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- Absolute value shown in seconds/bytes/counts
- Selection percent
 - Value shown as percentage w.r.t. the selected node "on the left" (metric/call path)
- Peer percent (system tree only)
 - Value shown as percentage relative to the maximum peer value



Multiple selection

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Context-sensitive help

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Derived metrics



Derived metrics are defined using CubePL expressions, e.g.:

metric::time(i)/metric::visits(e)

- Values of derived metrics are not stored, but calculated on-the-fly
- Types of derived metrics:
 - Prederived: evaluation of the CubePL expression is performed before aggregation
 - Postderived: evaluation of the CubePL expression is performed after aggregation
- Examples:
 - "Average execution time": Postderived metric with expression

metric::time(i)/metric::visits(e)

 "Number of FLOP per second": Postderived metric with expression metric::FLOP()/metric::time()

Derived metrics in Cube GUI

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Example: FLOPS based on PAPI_FP_OPS and time



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Iteration profiling



- Show time dependent behavior by "unrolling" iterations
- Preparations:
 - Mark loop body by using Score-P instrumentation API in your source code

```
SCOREP_USER_REGION_DEFINE( scorep_bt_loop )
SCOREP_USER_REGION_BEGIN( scorep_bt_loop, "<<bt_iter>>", SCOREP_USER_REGION_END( scorep_bt_loop )
```

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- Result in the Cube profile:
 - Iterations shown as separate call trees
 - >Useful for checking results for specific iterations

or

- Select your user-instrumented region and mark it as loop
- Choose "Hide iterations"
- >View the Barplot statistics or the (thread x iterations) Heatmap

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Iteration profiling: Barplot

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Iteration profiling: Heatmap

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CUBE algebra utilities

Extracting solver sub-tree from analysis report

```
% cube_cut -r '<<ITERATION>>' scorep_bt-mz_C_8x6_sum/profile.cubex
Writing cut.cubex... done.
```

Calculating difference of two reports

```
% cube_diff scorep_bt-mz_C_8x6_sum/profile.cubex cut.cubex
Writing diff.cubex... done.
```

- Additional utilities for merging, calculating mean, etc.
- Default output of cube_utility is a new report utility.cubex
- Further utilities for report scoring & statistics
- Run utility with `-h' (or no arguments) for brief usage info

Square sneak preview

- Scalasca provides square to facilitate analysis report exploration
 - square = scalasca -examine [OPTIONS] (./scorep_expt_sum | ./profile.cubex)
- Processes intermediate .cubex files produced by Score-P and Scout
 - profile.cubex -> summary.cubex
 - scout.cubex -> trace.cubex
- and (optionally) starts CUBE GUI with the post-processed file
 - containing additional derived metrics and metric hierarchies



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Cube: Further information

- Parallel program analysis report exploration tools
 - Libraries for Cube report reading & writing
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- Available under 3-clause BSD open-source license
- Documentation & sources:
 - https://www.scalasca.org
- User guide also part of installation:
 - orefix>/share/doc/CubeGuide.pdf
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