

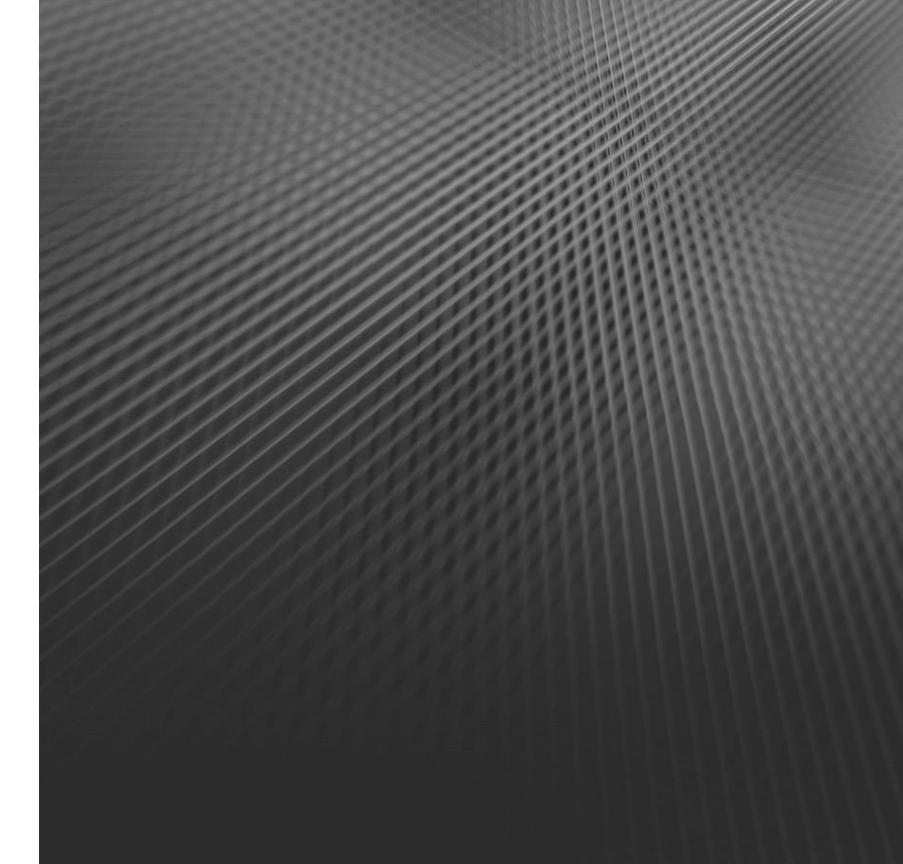
Graph-based proxy applications and derivative benchmarking on Ookami

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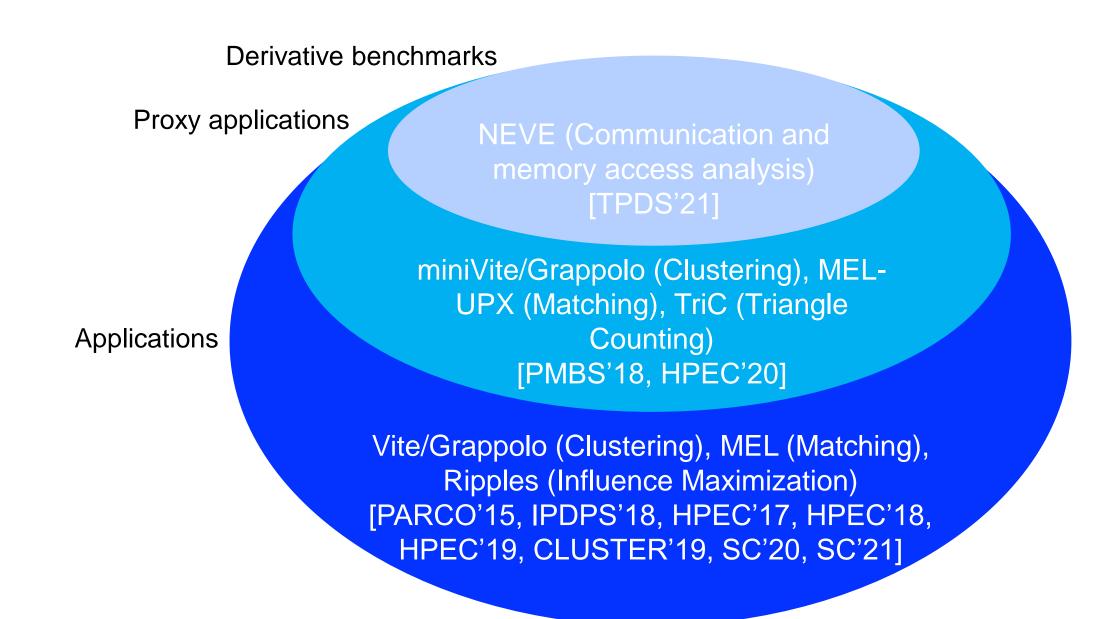
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Graph analytics codes

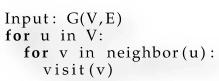


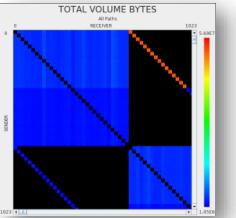


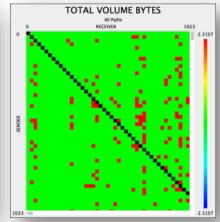
Graph algorithms

- Combinatorial (graph) algorithms are key enablers in data analytics
 - Graph coloring, matching, community detection, pattern, centralities, traversals, etc.
- Relatively less computation and more memory accesses
 - Graph codes on accelerators mainly exploits the b/w, ALUs are relatively underutilized (many algorithms have 0 FLOPS)
 - Limited vectorization advantage
- Graphs are multifarious, distributedmemory poses challenges
 - Asynchronous, irregular and adversarial communication patterns
 - Network contention

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Input: G(V,E), s \in V
Q. enqueue ((visit(s))
while (!Q.empty()):
                               for u in V:
  u = Q. dequeue()
  for v in neighbor(u):
    if (! visited(v):
      O. enqueue ((visit (v))
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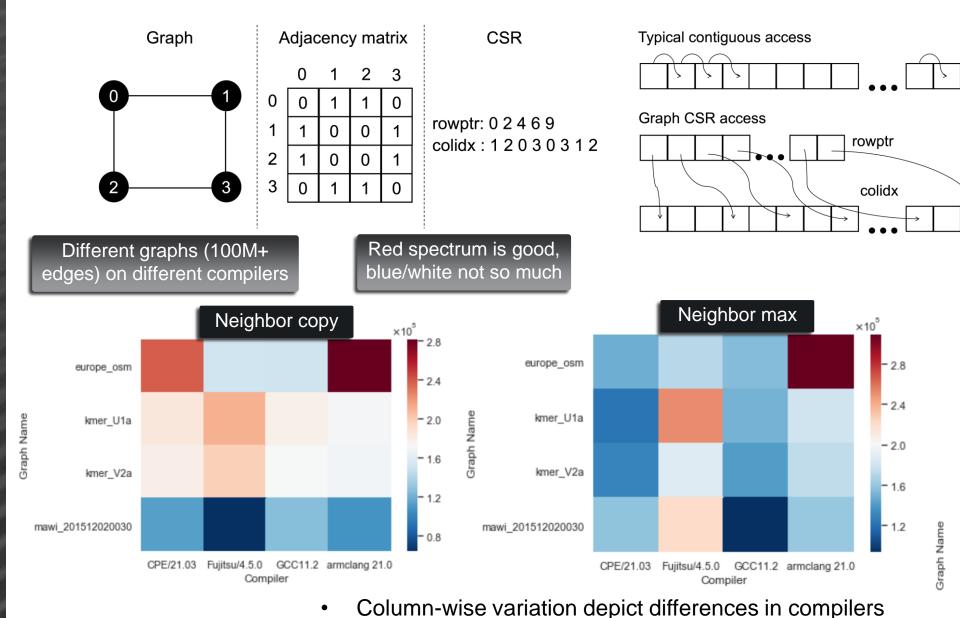
Pair-wise communication volume for BFS (left) and Graph neighborhood (right) for same graph

Communication is shown as a heat map of bytes/process pair, black is 0 bytes

Graph500 or traversal-based algorithms are not necessarily representative use cases!



Derivative Benchmark: Analyzing Graph Memory Accesses via simple kernels

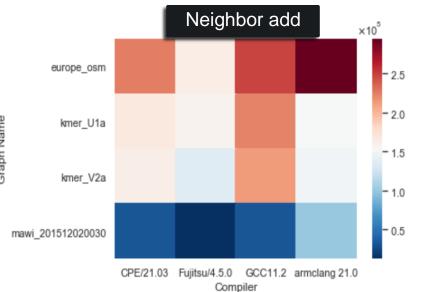


- **Input**: G = (V, E), (undirected) graph G.
- 1: for $v \in V$ do
- **for** $u \in adj(v)$ **do** {Neighbors of v}
- {Perform some work with $\{v, u\}$ }

Scanning the neighborhood of a vertex in a graph is common

Disparity in maximum and average #edges impacts performance (unstructured parallelism)

- Reporting TEPS (higher the better)
- Detect issues with systems and runtimes
- Sandbox for building graph applications

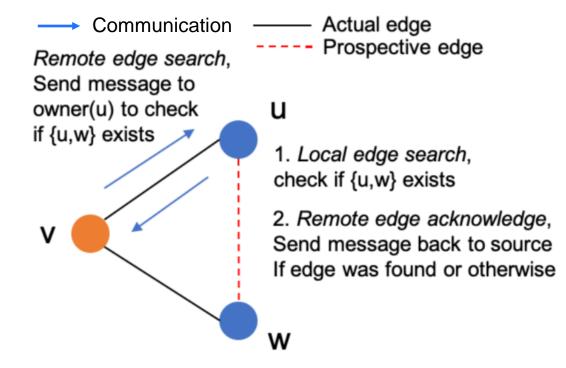


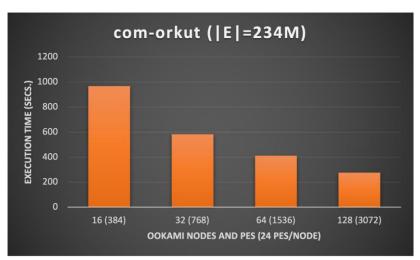
- Row-wise variation depict differences across graphs (structure is impeding parallelism, investigate)
- Will try ZFILL
- * Results from Yan Kang, PSU



Proxy: Triangle counting by exploiting graph structure

- Developed several variants of distributed exact graph triangle counting
 - Simple formulation exploits vertex-centric distributed graph structure – process-based
 - Options to suspend and resume work on a vertex based on a customizable buffer
 - ✓ Throttle messages and limit neighborhood size
 - Different communication models: MPI send/recv, RMA, neighborhood collectives
- This code is a pilot before moving on optimizing other apps – clustering/matching, etc
- Preliminary results on Ookami shows about
 3.5x speedup relative to 8x nodes







Summary

- Most of our codes are distributed and have a startup problem (more nodes to run – major communication overhead!)
 - Mitigating it with fixed-buffer and suspend-restart mechanism
 - Buffer size is a trade-off (too large OOM, too small more iters)
 - More processes and less threads lead to better results (not much on-node parallelism could be more) using 12-24 PEs per node
 - Investigate communication avoiding heuristics and extract more bandwidth from node
 - Impact of SVE?
- armclang (21.0) performance seems to be generally better
- Software setup/building was straightforward thanks for the support and active Slack channel!