

Stochastic optimization of GeantV code by use of genetic algorithms

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GeantV - next generation of simulation software

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- GeantV is a vectorized prototype framework for the simulation of the passage of particles through matter
- Used for essential for comparisons of theory against data in High Energy Physics (HEP)
- Support different backends(Vc*, UMESIMD**) and ported to multiple modern architectures (GPU,MIC,KNL)



* <https://github.com/VcDevel/Vc>

** <https://github.com/edanor/umesimd.git>

Introduction: ideas and goals of research

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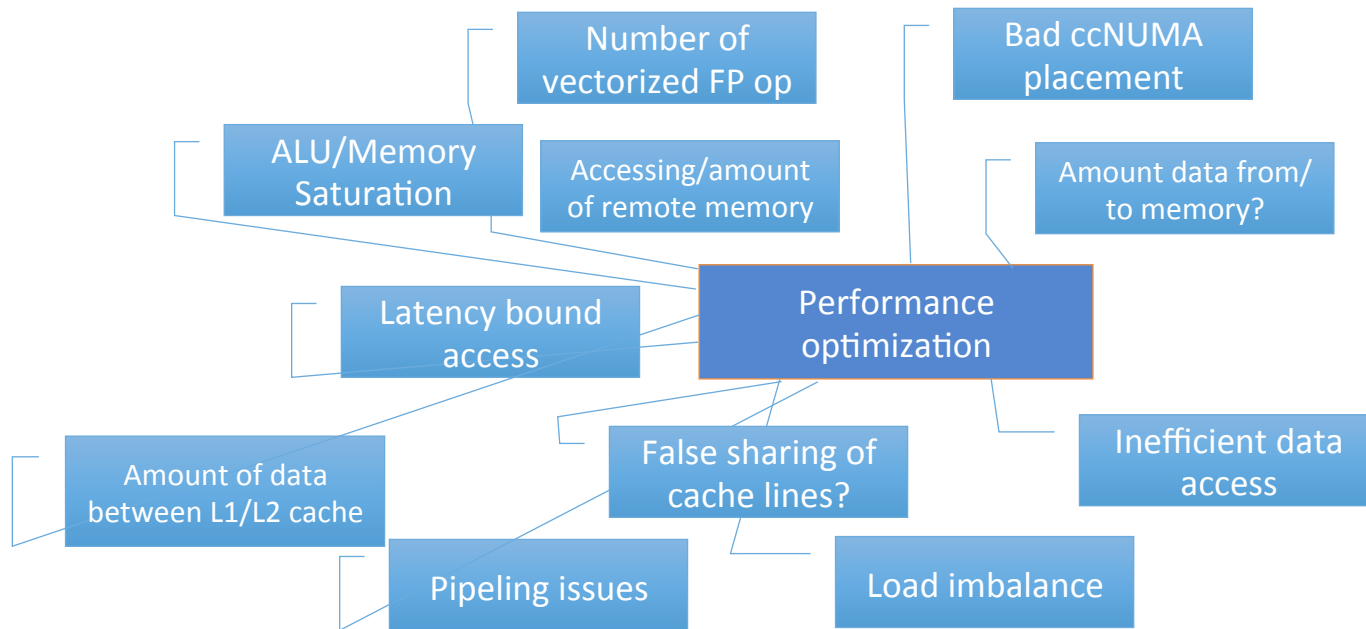
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How to optimize performance of HPC level?

Performance tuning of GeantV

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Level of parallelism in GeantV

Multi-node programming

Multi-socket programming

Multi-core programming

Hardware threading:
task parallelism, data parallelism

Instruction parallelism

MPI+X

Multiprocessing
approach
with common
event queueTBB , single-
node parallelism

Vectorization

NUMA-cluster
job submission*Need to be tuned on all levels*

Performance tuning depends of the configuration on all levels!

GeantV as a multi-objective optimization problem (MOOP)

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- A black box search task is to minimize function for which the *analytical form* is not known.
- Black-box can be evaluated to obtain: $f(\vec{x}) : R^n \rightarrow R$

- Value;**
- Approximate gradient** (huge number of evaluations): $\frac{df(x)}{dx} : \Delta_k f \approx \frac{f(x_k + \epsilon_k) - f(x_k)}{\epsilon_k} \Delta x_k$

GeantV MOOP

minimize $f_{\text{memory}}(x)$

minimize $f_{\text{runtime}}(x)$

minimize $f_{\text{instructions}}(x)$

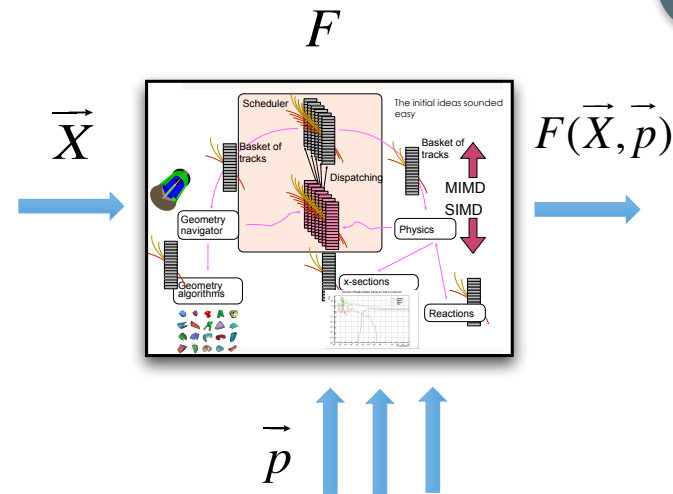
maximize $f_{\text{nprimariespertime}}(x)$

minimize $f_{\text{cache}}(x)$

minimize $f_{\text{etc}}(x)$

subject to $f_{\text{memory}}(x) \leq 4000, i = 1, \dots, m.$

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External parameters, like type of computing "node"

Definitions of decision and objective space for GeantV

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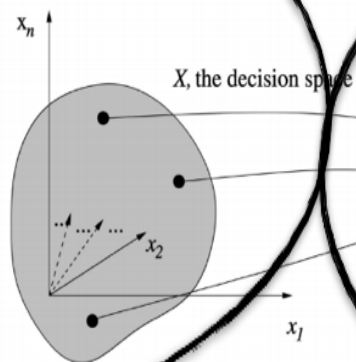
Number of buffered events

Threshold for prioritizing events

Maximum vector size

Number of steps for learning phase

Number of events



X , the decision space

Number of instructions

Number of branches

Run Time

Memory

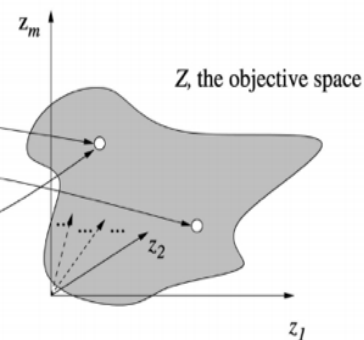
L1icache misses

L1dcache misses

Idle cycles frontend

Number of cycles

Number of primaries per RT
(for simple examples)



Z , the objective space

HPC parameters

Threshold for event balancing

Energy efficiency

Load balancing parameters

Genetic algorithms (GA)

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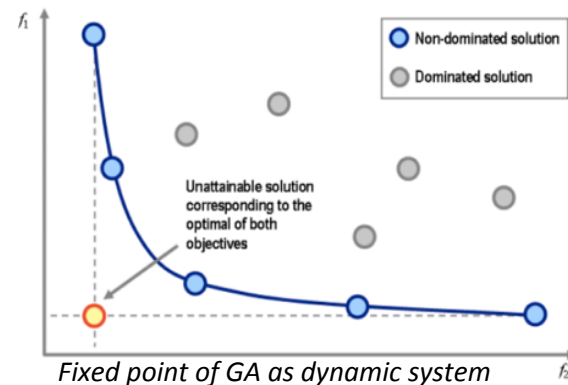
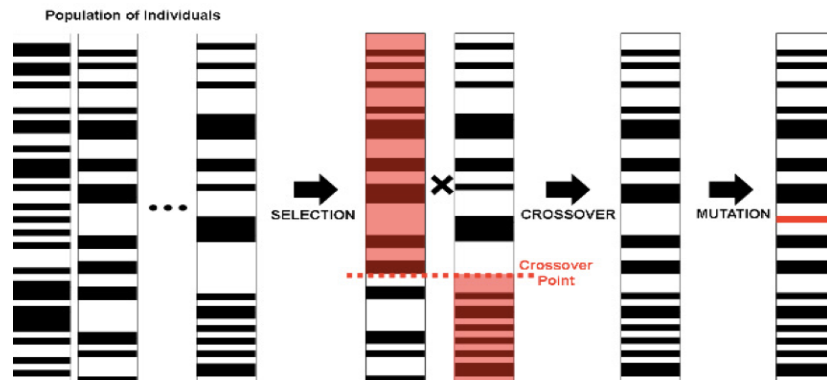
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Selection

$$F : \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$$

$$F(\vec{p}) = \frac{\text{diag}(f) \cdot \vec{p}}{\vec{f}_t \cdot \vec{p}}$$

Crossover

$$\hat{C} : \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$$

$$C(\vec{p}) = (\vec{p}^t \cdot \hat{C}_1 \cdot \vec{p}, \dots, \vec{p}^t \cdot \hat{C}_N \cdot \vec{p})$$

GA transition matrix between population

$$G : \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$$

$$G(\vec{p}) = \hat{C} \circ \hat{U} \circ F(\vec{p})$$

$$Q_{\vec{q}, \vec{p}} = \bar{M}! \prod_{\alpha \in \Omega} \frac{(G(\vec{p})_{\alpha})^{\bar{M}_{q_{\alpha}}}}{(\bar{M}_{q_{\alpha}})!}$$

Mutation

$$\hat{U} : \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$$

$$(\hat{U} \cdot \vec{p})_{\alpha}$$

Convergence

?

- GA is applicable to **any black-box problem**;
- No unique recipe** of type of GA for particular function;
- No needs for training or input statistics;
- Computationally hard, but could be increased convergence rate using additional operators**

Unsupervised Machine Learning: Principle Component Analysis and alternative approaches

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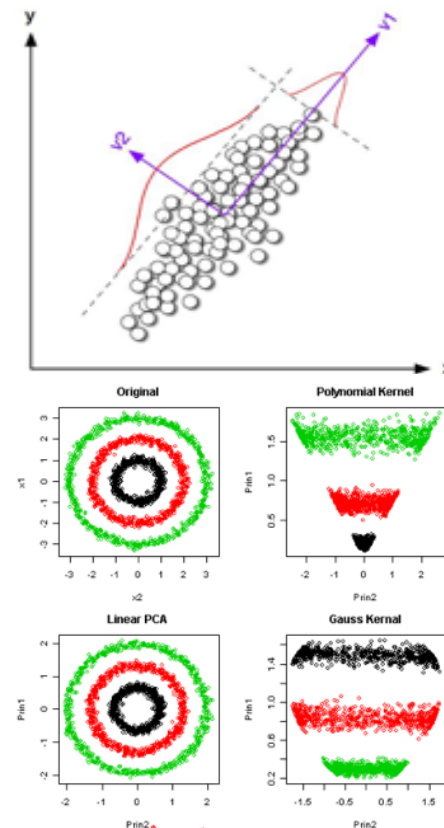
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- **Linear Principle Components Analysis (LPCA)**
- captured by the **least important principal components** is noise which should be suppressed. Assuming that the variables bear a **linear relationship**, they will lie in a hyperplane and noise items will lift them away from the line. Dropping the last principal components means flattening the data in a geometric sense and eliminating some of the noise.
- **Linear Principle Components Analysis (KPCA)** - transform existing dataset to another high-dimensional space and then perform PCA on the data in that space.



Can we increase convergence by cleaning data noise?

Noise cleanup GA operator (based on idea of uncentered PCA)

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Convergence genetic operator

$$G_P(\vec{p}) = \hat{P} \circ \hat{C} \circ \hat{U} \circ F(\vec{p})$$

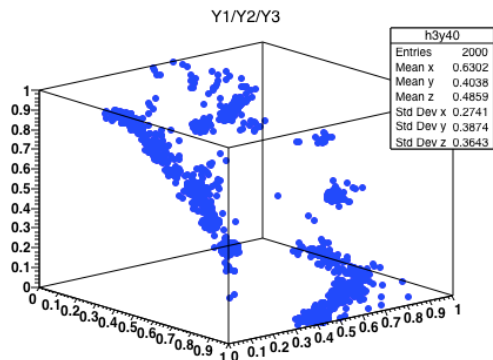


$$P: \quad V_{\alpha,j}^{(u)} = X_{\alpha,i}^{(u)} W_{i,j}, \quad W_{i,i'}^t W_{i',j} = \delta_{i,j},$$

$$\tilde{X}_{\alpha,i}^{(u)} = \sqrt{M} \left(\left[\lambda_1^{(u)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \bar{V}_{\alpha,1}^{(u)} W_{1,i}^t + \dots + \left[\lambda_p^{(u)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \bar{V}_{\alpha,p}^{(u)} W_{p,i}^t \right).$$

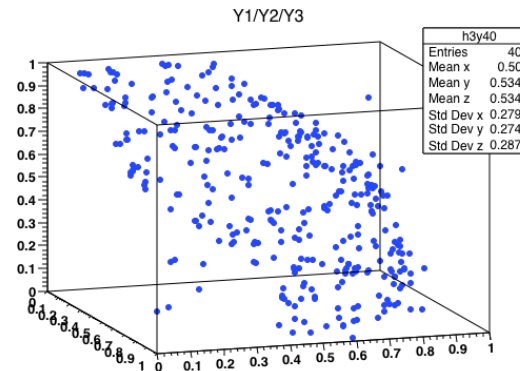
$$\eta_p = \frac{1}{Mn} \sum_{\alpha=1}^M \sum_{i=1}^n (X_{\alpha,i}^{(u)} - \tilde{X}_{\alpha,i}^{(u)})^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=p+1}^n \lambda_k^{(u)}$$

NSGA



NSGA-PCA

(Check backup)



Work will be presented on IEEE Symposium on Computational Intelligence 2016

Tuning GeantV as a part of optimization for embarrassingly parallel simulations

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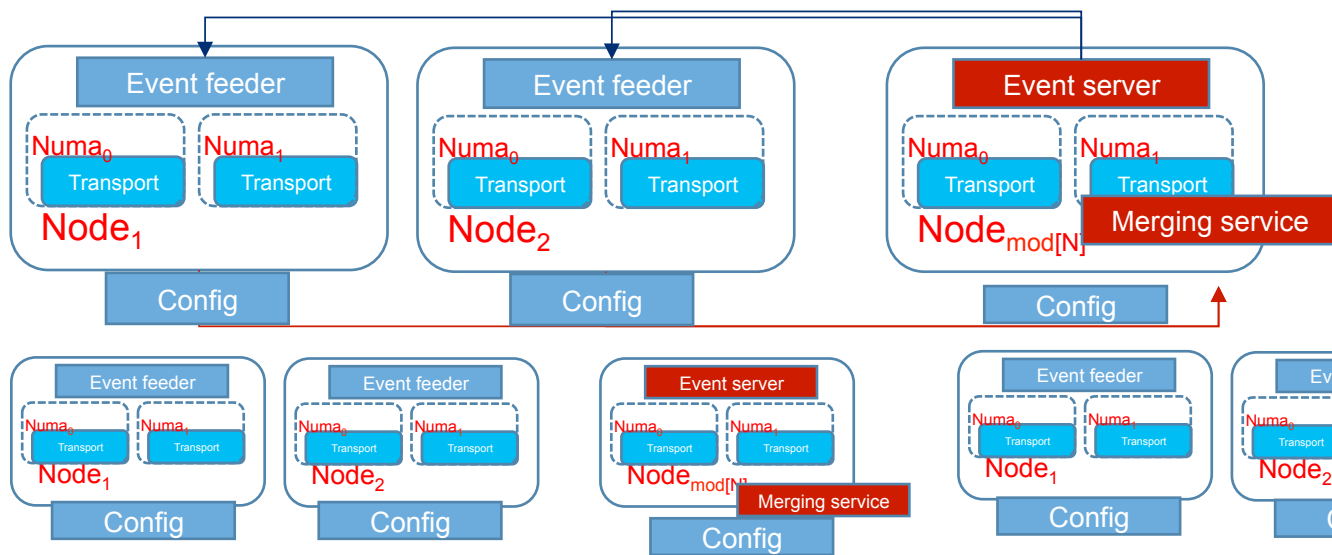
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- Large set of parameters and multiple layers of parallelism creates a complex system to be tuned;
- Introduction of **event server** will provide stable balancing for event processing in distributed system;
 - **Event server** – concurrent server of distribution of events;
 - **Event feeder** – Event generator.
- **Configuration management** can provide a tuning policy for HPC layer of GeantV.



Credit: A.Gheata

Multi-layers graphs and GeantV HPC layers representation

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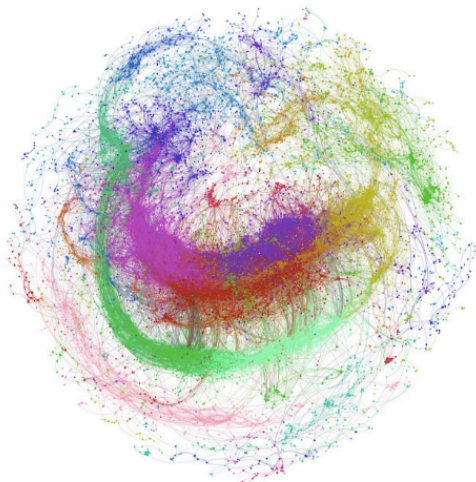
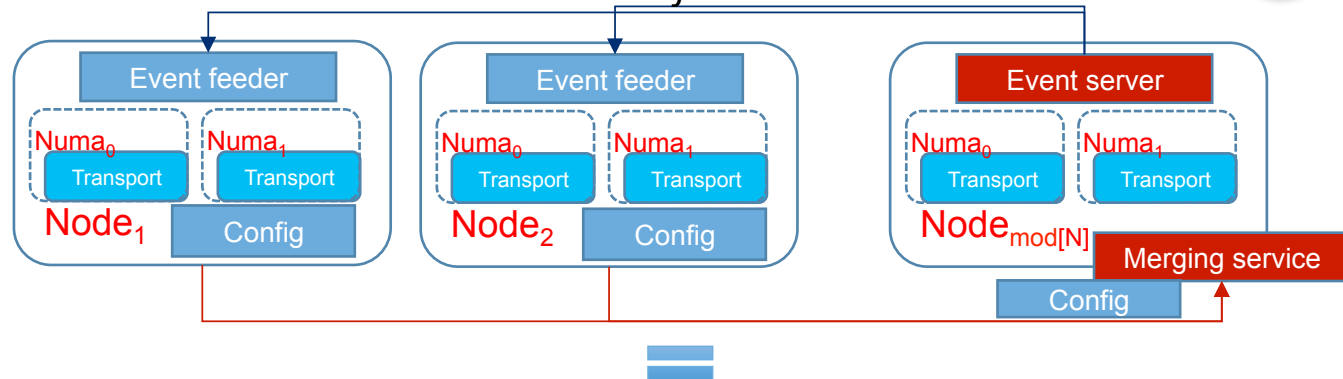
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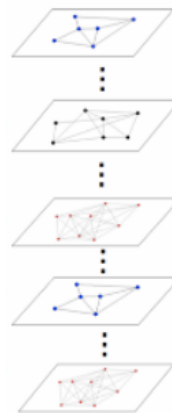
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% events between feeders?



Can we create the same representation for HPC layer?



Types of physical nodes

Processors, cores

NUMA nodes (NUMA clustering)

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Spectral clustering on multi-layer graphs

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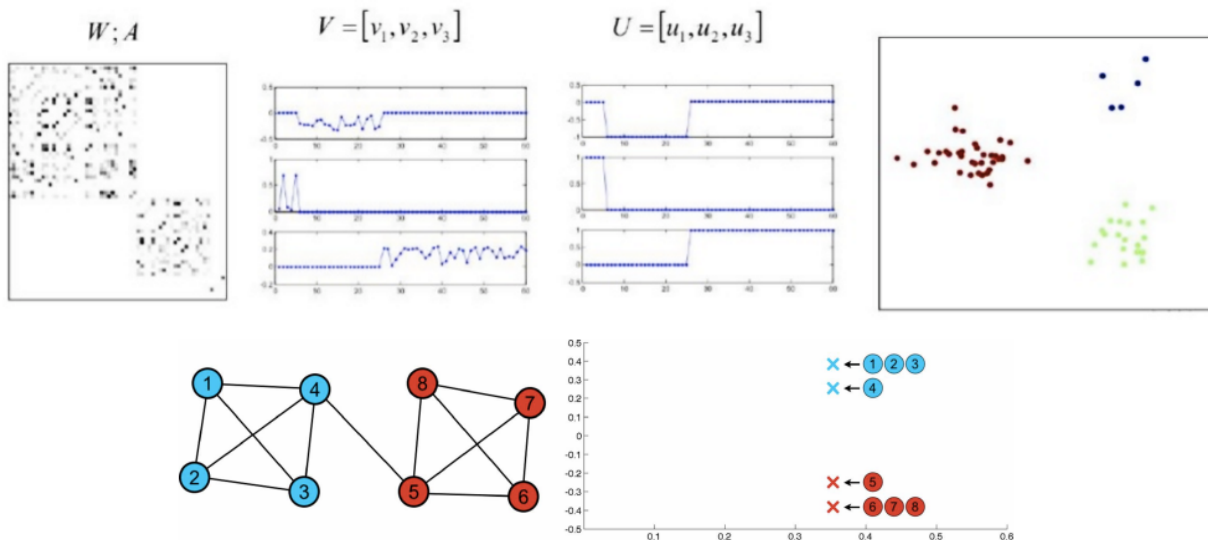
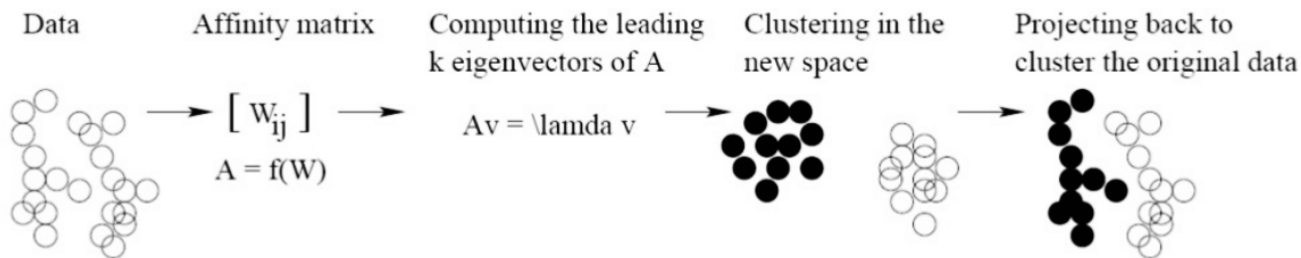
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Use cases for GeantV tuning

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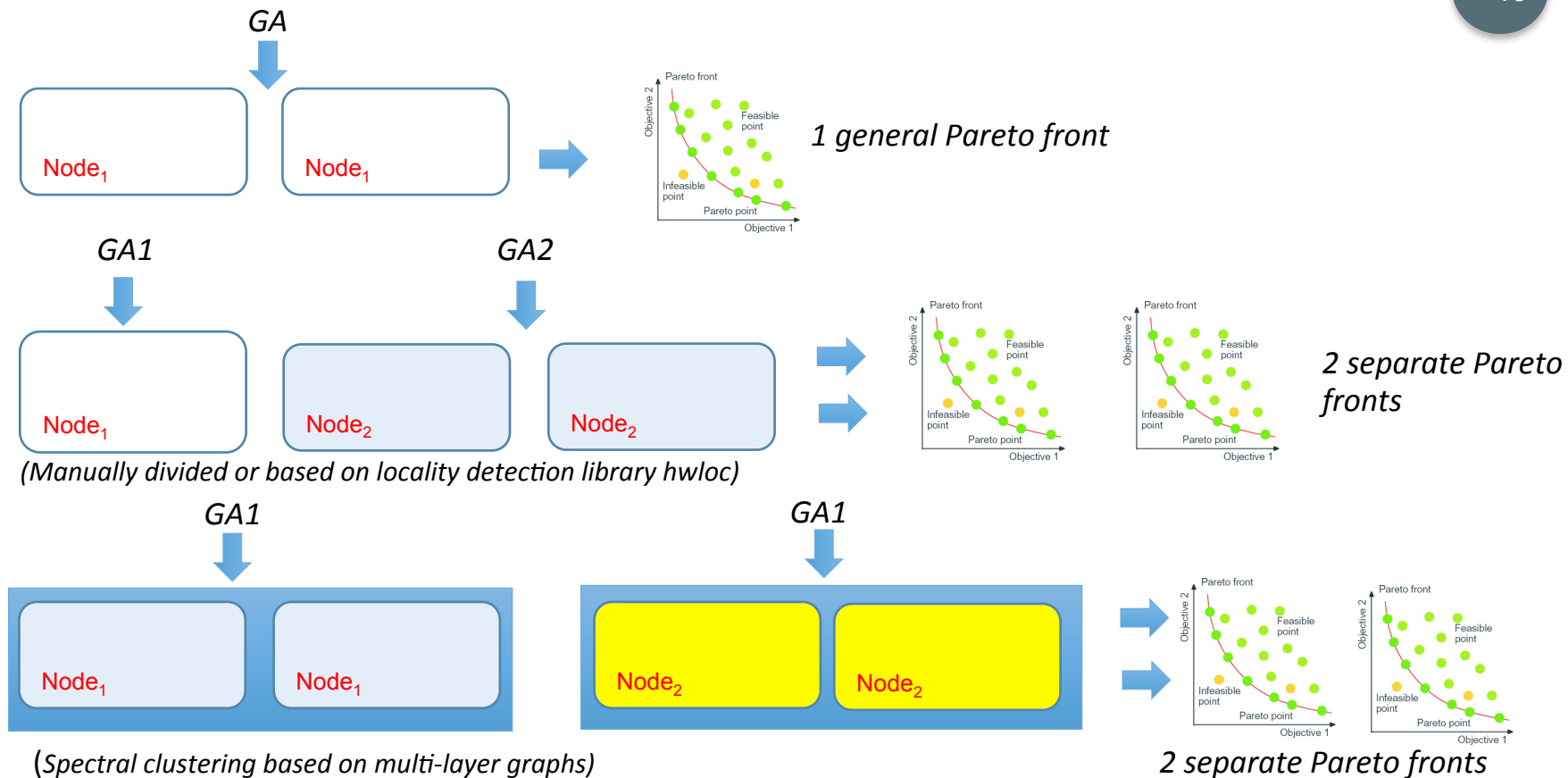
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Results on first generation of GA for Example N03 (full track simulation through simplified geometry)

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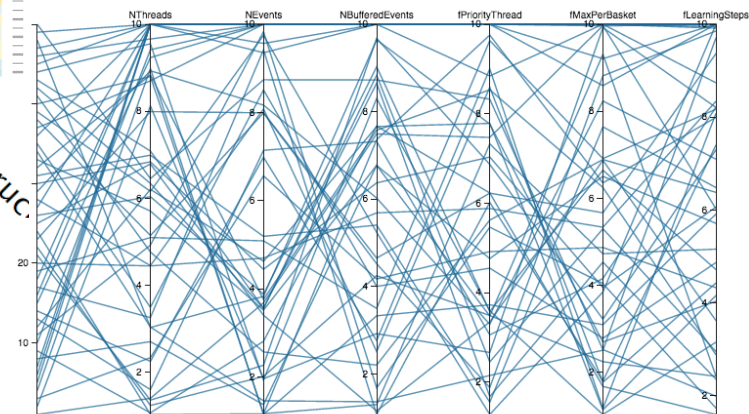
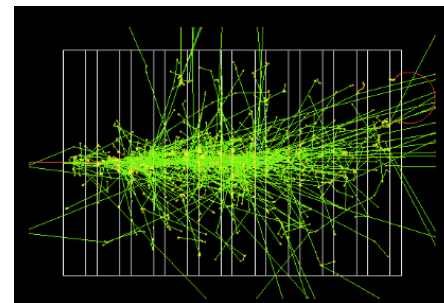
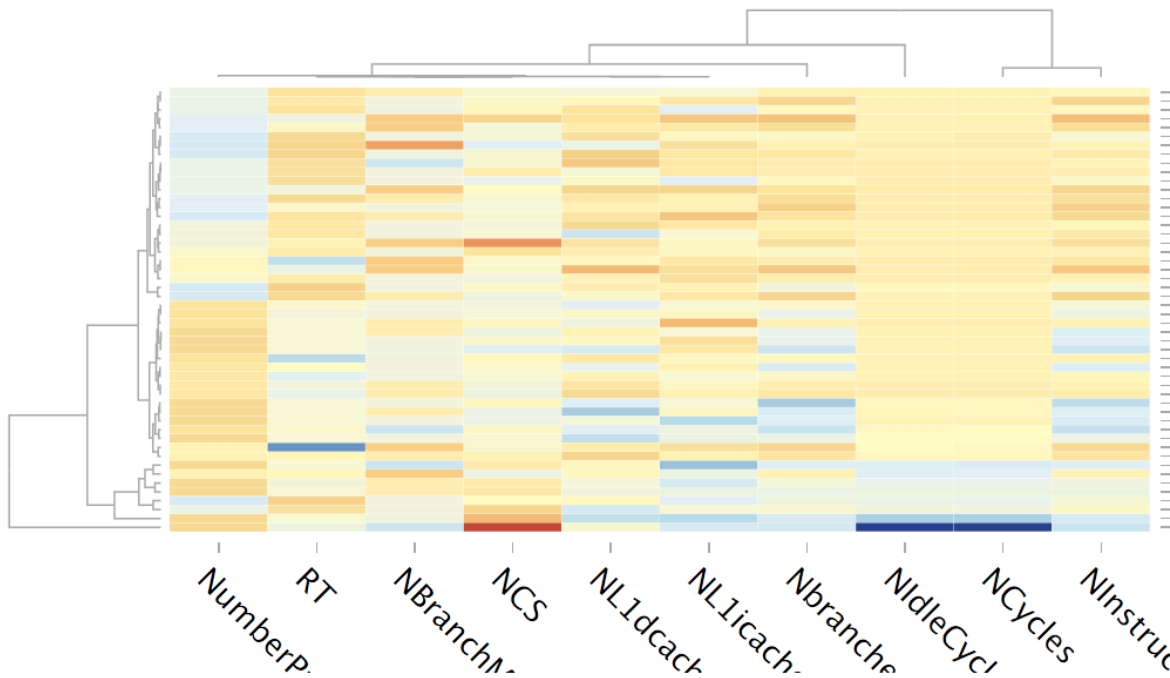
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Fitness scatterplots - Core i7 – 1 Generation

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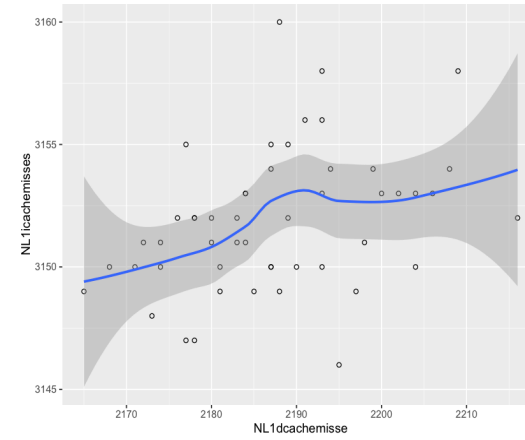
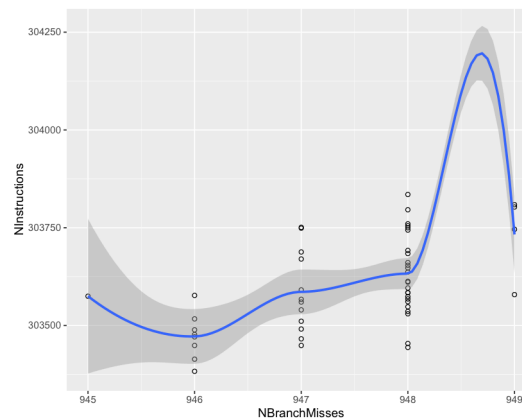
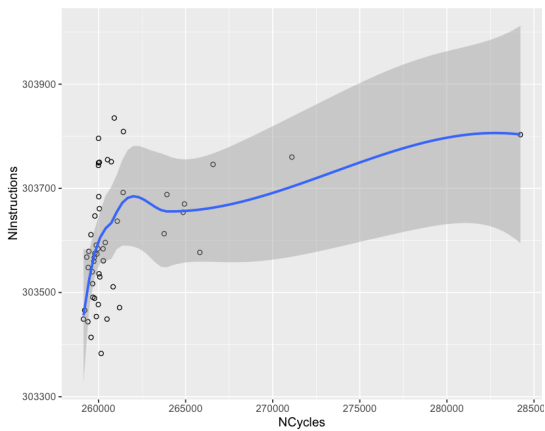
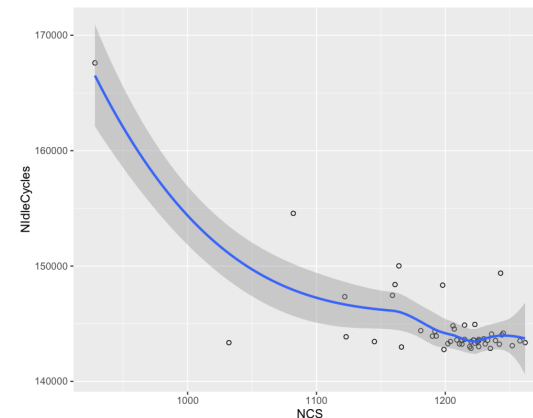
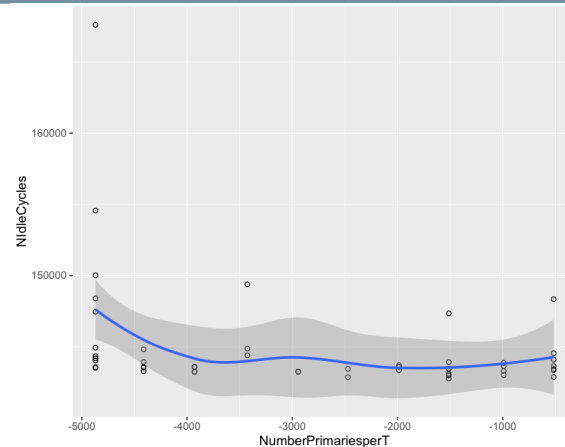
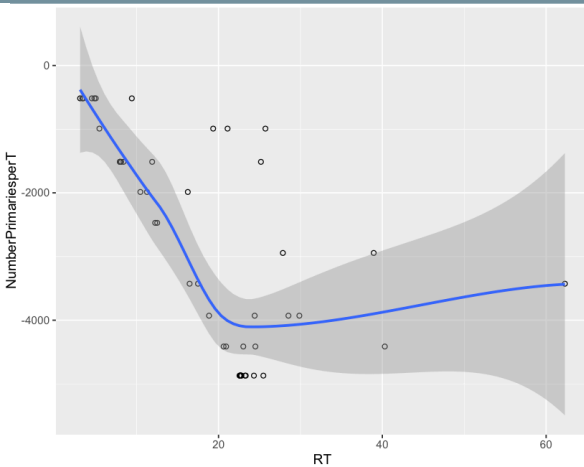
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Results for Generation 13 of GA for Example N03 (full track simulation though simplified geometry)

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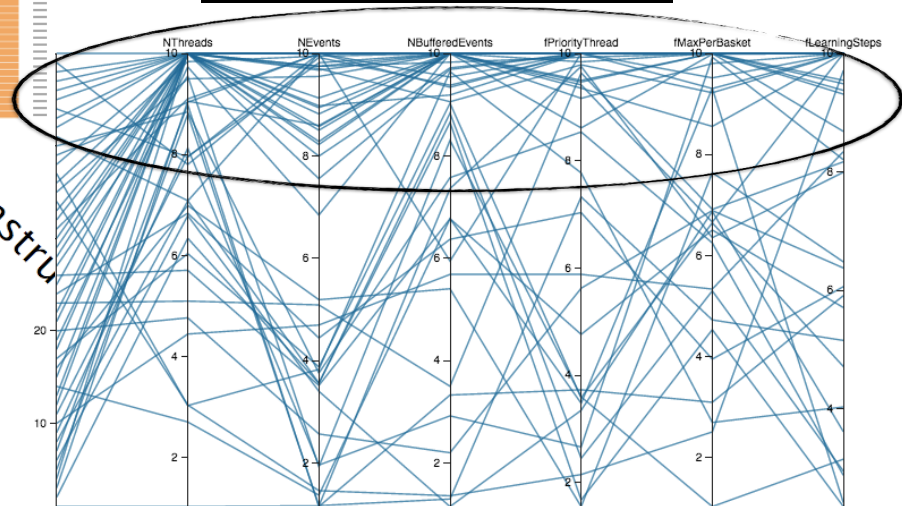
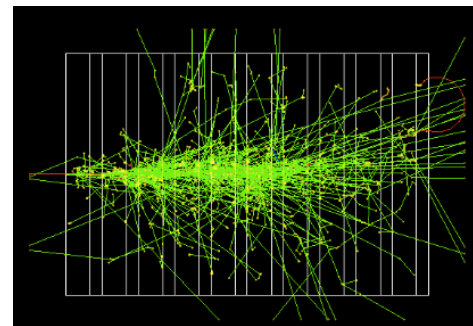
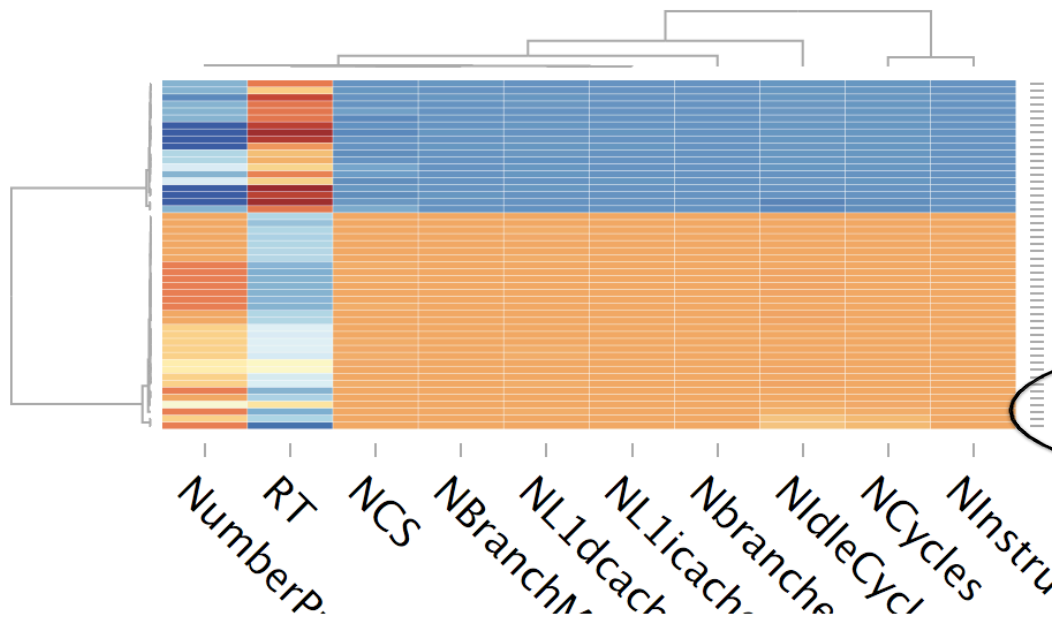
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Fitness scatterplots (Pareto front approximation) – Core i7 – 13 generations

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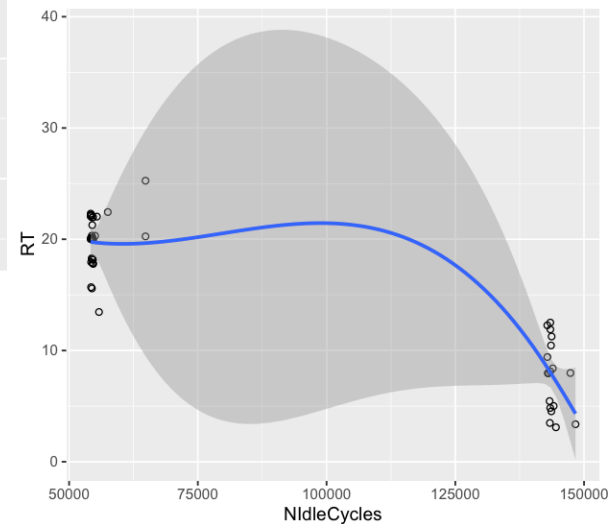
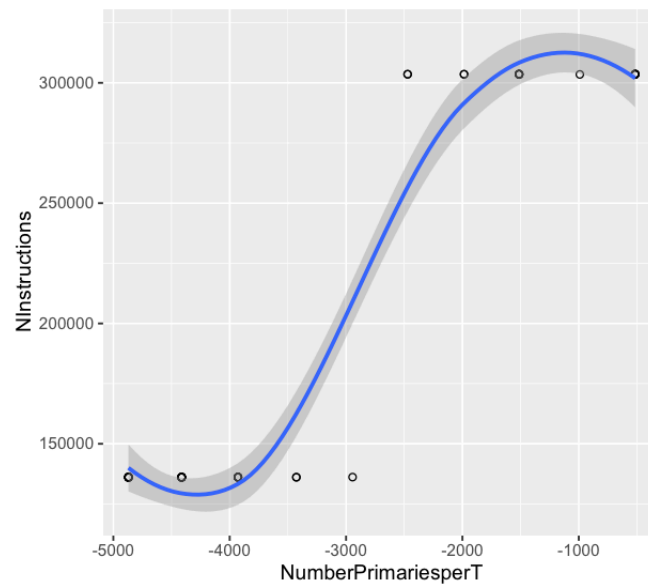
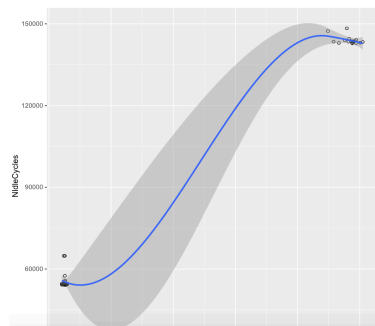
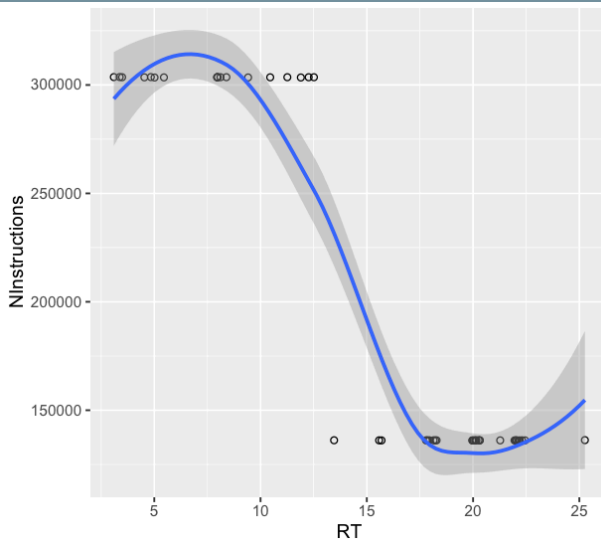
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Benefits

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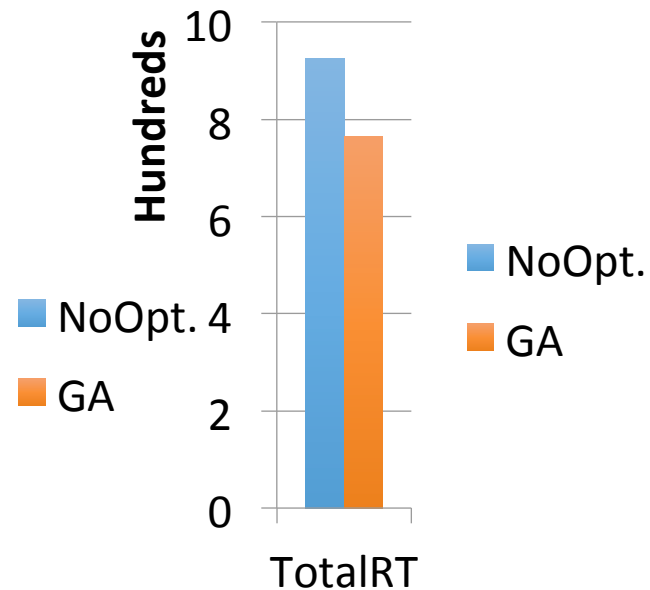
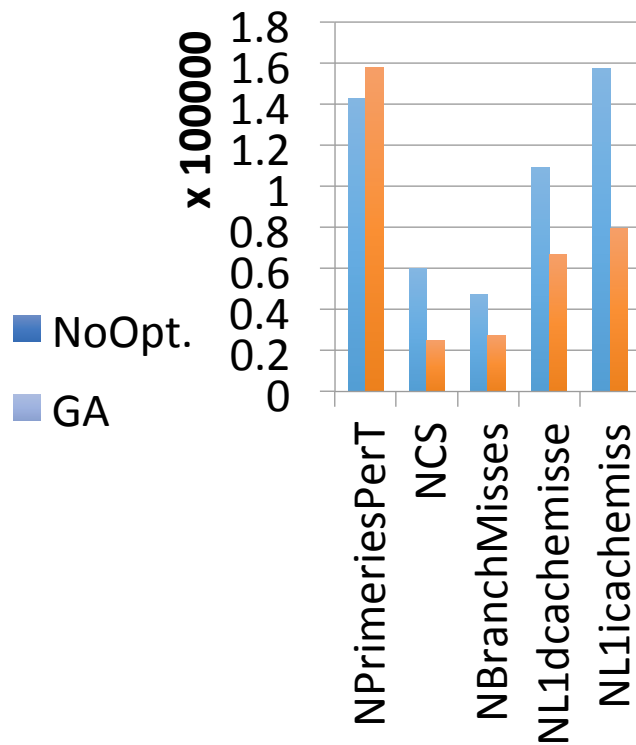
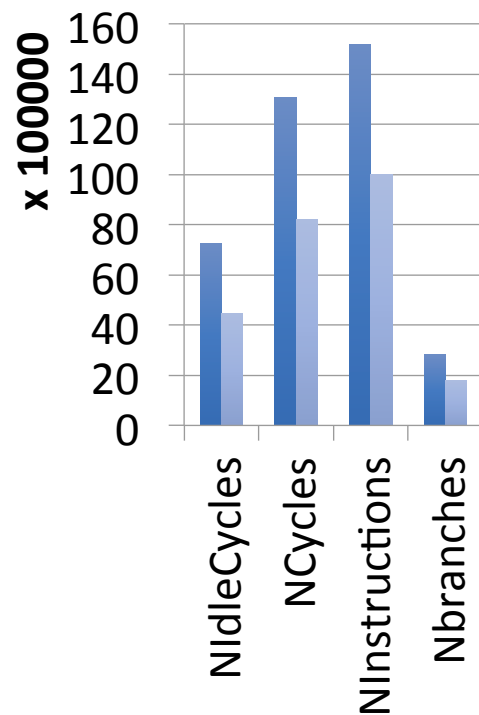
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Total runtime of batch of jobs decreased ~20 % less



Future plans

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- Work on improvement of convergence of algorithms
- Extension schema for support of heterogeneous and non-heterogeneous exascale HPC computations (MPI +X)
- Introduction of multi-layer graph spectral clustering in HPC layout of GeantV
- Testing in HPC environment with a different types of nodes: GPU, MIC, KNL and etc.

Backup

BBOB 2015 results of comparison different types of genetic algorithms

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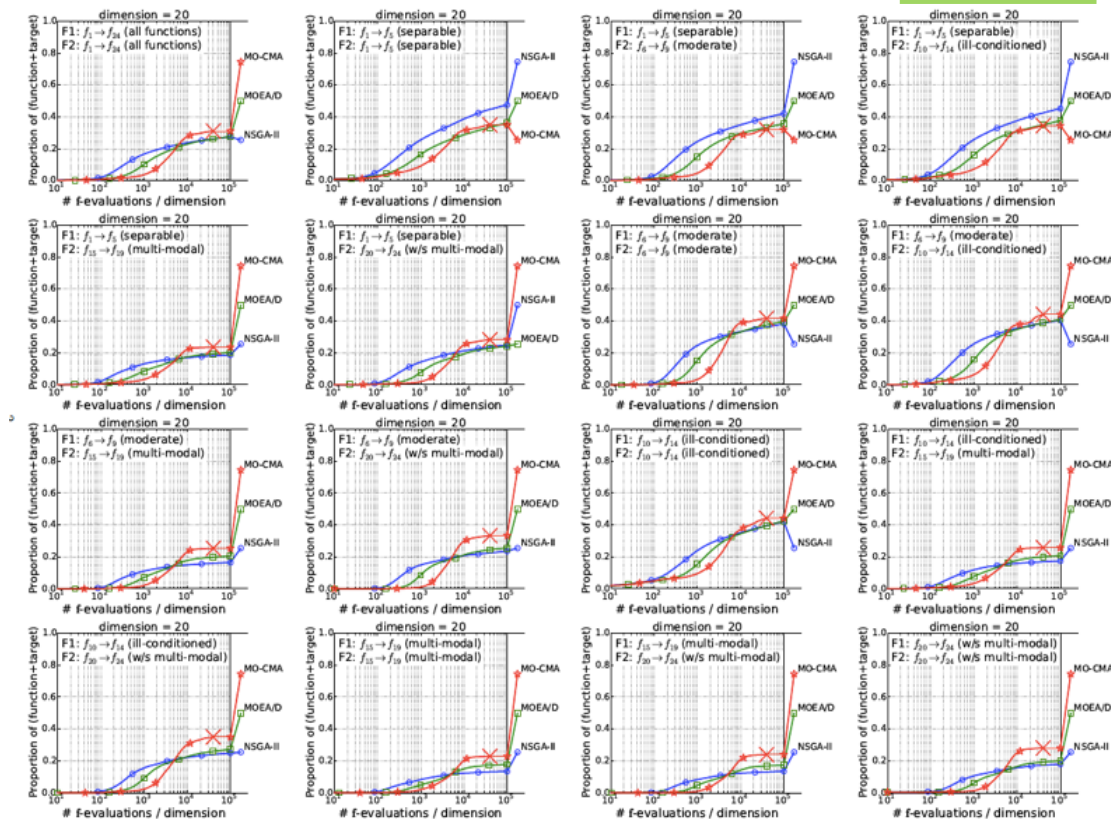
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GeantV optimisation task

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Optimization problem: we want to find extremums of fitness functions which define the performance of GeantV:

$$y^l = f^l(x_i; p_k) \quad l = 1, \dots, L, \quad (1)$$

where

x_i ($i = 1, \dots, n$) is a vector of genes dimension n ,

p_k ($k = 1, \dots, m$) is parameter vector, where parameters describe external factors, which can affect the performance of GeantV. For example, it could define a "nodes" type (all m-type) for non-homogeneous cluster. In this case:

$p_k = 1$, if the k-th processor is included in cluster load,

$p_k = 0$, if the k-th processor is excluded from cluster load

Let us define uncentered data matrix of the size $M \times n$

$$\hat{X}^{(u)} = \{X_{\alpha,i}^{(u)}\} = \{x_i^{(\alpha)}\}, \quad (2)$$

where $x_i^{(\alpha)}$ ($\alpha = 1, \dots, M$) is α -th sample of the population.

Then fitness functions matrix is define as matrix $M \times L$

$$F_{\alpha,l}(p_k) = \{f^l(X_{\alpha,i}^{(u)}; p_k)\}, \quad (3)$$

Uncentered PCA as operator for constrained data in GA

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1). The case of the fixed value of components of the parameter vector \vec{p} :

To improve the convergence rate of GA we add a new operator \hat{P} to a standard set of GA operator's (selection, mutation, crossing), performing uncentered PCA on the GA populations.

The important objects for uncentered PCA are the matrix $W_{i,j} = (w_i)_j$ of the eigenvectors $\{\vec{w}_j\}$ and the matrix $\Lambda_{i,j}^{(u)} = \lambda_i^{(u)} \delta_{i,j}$ eigenvalues $\{\lambda_i^{(u)}\}$ of the matrix of non-central second moments,

$$\hat{T} = \frac{1}{M} \hat{X}^{(u)t} \cdot \hat{X}^{(u)} = \{T_{i,j}\} = \frac{1}{M} \{X_{i,\alpha}^{(u)t} X_{\alpha,j}^{(u)}\}$$

and

$$\hat{T} \cdot \vec{w}_j = \lambda_j^{(u)} \vec{w}_j, \quad \vec{w}_i^t \cdot \vec{w}_j = \delta_{i,j}, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq n,$$

Let define the matrix $V_{\alpha,j}^{(u)} = \{(v_\alpha^{(u)})_j\}$ of the uncentered principal components $\{\vec{v}_j^{(u)}\}$ where

$$V_{\alpha,j}^{(u)} = X_{\alpha,i}^{(u)} W_{i,j}, \quad W_{i,i'}^t W_{i',j} = \delta_{i,j},$$

For the variance of j -th uncentered principal component we obtain

$$\text{Var}(\vec{v}_j^{(u)}) = \lambda_j^{(u)} - (\vec{\mu})^2 \cos^2(\vec{\mu}, \vec{w}_j)$$

Convergence genetic operator

$$G_P(\vec{p}) = \underline{\hat{P}} \circ \hat{C} \circ \hat{U} \circ F(\vec{p})$$

Using the representation

$$V_{\alpha,j}^{(u)} = \sqrt{M} \bar{V}_{\alpha,i}^{(u)} \Lambda_{i,j}^{(u)1/2},$$

where

$$\Lambda_{i,j}^{(u)1/2} = [\lambda_i^{(u)}]^{1/2} \delta_{i,j}, \quad \bar{V}_{i,\alpha}^{(u)t} \bar{V}_{\alpha,j}^{(u)} = \delta_{i,j}.$$

we obtain the Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) of the uncentered data matrix

$$X_{\alpha,i}^{(u)} = \sqrt{M} \bar{V}_{\alpha,k}^{(u)} \Lambda_{k,j}^{(u)1/2} W_{j,i}^t.$$

If $\lambda_k^{(u)} \ll 1$ for $k = p+1, p+2, \dots, n$ we can apply the "eigenvalue control parameter" approximation to get for the output data matrix $\tilde{X}_{\alpha,j}^{(u)}$ of rang p

$$\tilde{X}_{\alpha,i}^{(u)} = \sqrt{M} \left([\lambda_1^{(u)}]^{1/2} \bar{V}_{\alpha,1}^{(u)} W_{1,i}^t + \dots + [\lambda_p^{(u)}]^{1/2} \bar{V}_{\alpha,p}^{(u)} W_{p,i}^t \right).$$

The mean square error η_p for this approximation:

$$\eta_p = \frac{1}{Mn} \sum_{\alpha=1}^M \sum_{i=1}^n (X_{\alpha,i}^{(u)} - \tilde{X}_{\alpha,i}^{(u)})^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=p+1}^n \lambda_k^{(u)}$$

Clustering as a part of optimized scheduling process

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II). The case of the fixed value of components of the data matrix $X_{\alpha,i}^{(u)}$:

Task is define as the optimisation of parameters \vec{p} for configuration of non-heterogeneous clusters with fixed α -th sample in data matrix (near Pareto front) for fitness tensor of size $L \times 2^m$

$$F_{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m}^l = \{f^l(x_i^{(\alpha)}; p_k)\}, \quad (1)$$

Guess: this task could be optimised using a procedure of clustering of values of fitness functions which could group in clusters of similar configuration, Pareto fronts which correspond to different values of the parameter vector \vec{p} .

For standard spectral clustering is used spectral theorem of Laplace operator on graphs. In our case we will use **Laplace operator on multi-layer graphs**, where each layer is numerated by values of the parameter vector \vec{p} , for example $(p_1 = 0, p_2 = 1, \dots, p_m = 1)$