Continuous performance monitoring

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Motivation

- Enabling performance optimization contributions (often external) to ROOT
- Making sure these contributions are sustainable (i.e. once the money is spend for optimization it shouldn't regress)
- Providing continuous performance monitoring service

Approach

- Use an external benchmarking library
- Register machines with exclusive access to jenkins. We have been granted exclusive access to an Intel Haswell and KNL machines in OpenLab.
- Implement micro and macro benchmarks.

Benchmark

- A program which tests code scalability
- Two major kinds: micro and macro benchmarks
 - Micro benchmarks are like unit tests (eg. googletest) but for making sure certain routines (or small set of routines) scale
 - Macro benchmarks are like integration tests (eg. roottest)

Benchmarking Libraries

- Unfortunately not a lot of specialized libraries on the market
- Google Benchmark stands out with a compatible, open-source license

Macrobenchmarks

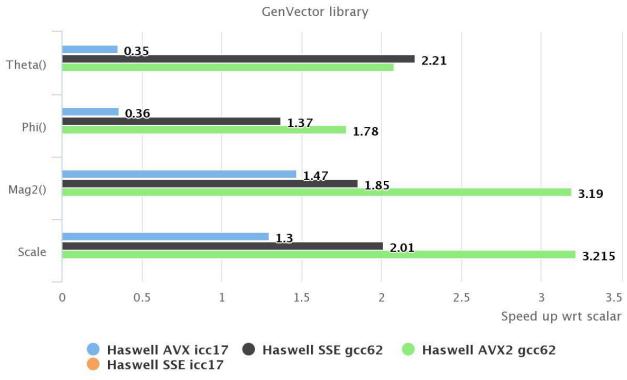
- They are complex programs which can possibly run long time
- They can have dependencies to external packages (eg. tensorflow, protobuf, etc) and compare performance
- They should live in rootbench.git in a similar to roottest manner.

Microbenchmarks

- Small, easy-to-write programs with dependencies only in ROOT
- They can compare performance relative to a mode (eg. single thread vs multithreading, scalar vs vector code, etc)
- They should live in root.git in a similar to gtest manner

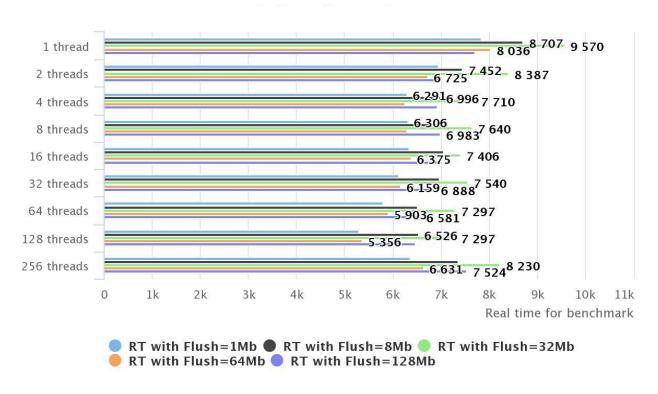
GenVector microbenchmarking

Google micro benchmarking of Cartesian3D functions



I/O microbenchmarking

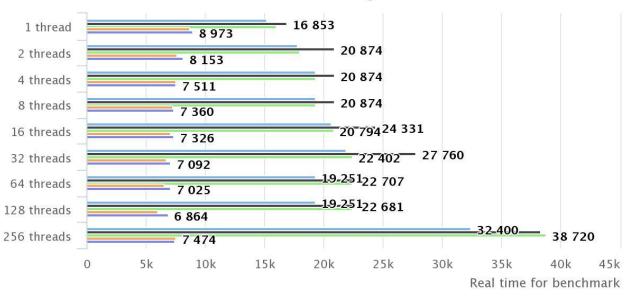
IO benchmark on KNL(TMemFile)



I/O microbenchmarking

IO benchmark on KNL(TFile)

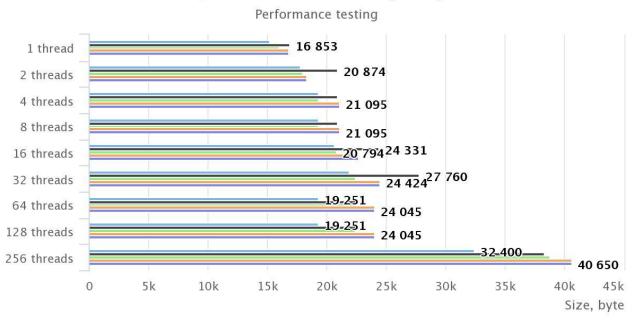




- Size with Flush=1Mb and 1 Branch Size with Flush=8Mb and 1 Branch
- Size with Flush=32Mb and 1 Branch Size with Flush=64Mb and 1 Branch
- Size with Flush=128Mb and 1 Branch

I/O microbenchmarking

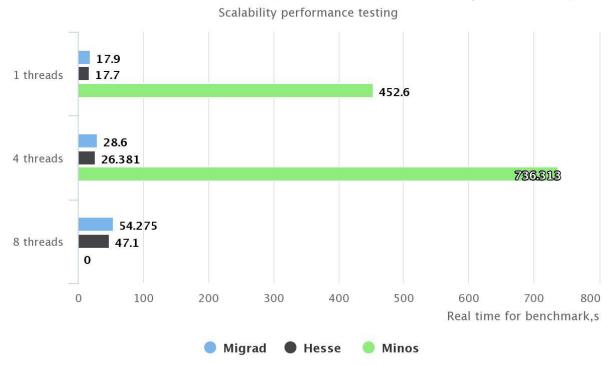
IO benchmark on KNL(TFile)



Size with Flush=1Mb and 500 Branch
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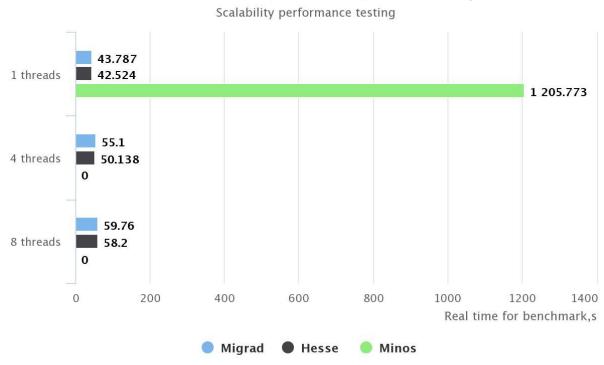
RooFit benchmarking

RooFit benchmark on KNL (1 channel, 0 nuisance parameters)



RooFit benchmarking

RooFit benchmark on KNL (2 channel, 0 nuisance parameters)



Infrastructure for data analytics and visualization of benchmarks/tests

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Goals

- Save statistics of job/test/benchmark runs
- To be able provide visualization of results
- To be able to detect regression and calculate statistics
- To add a performance check to PR or build incrementally each number of commits

New Jenkins slaves for performance testing

- Thanks to Openlab, it was provided 2 powerful nodes:
 - Haswell (56 cores)
 - KNL (64 cores)

We will create special label for them!

New Jenkins job: how we can do it

- Big matrix of possible test cases (compilers/SIMD/other flags)
- Build as a part of PR or incrementally during day
- Google benchmark has a nice JSON/CSV output
- Possibility to trigger job via PR (other triggers) or just directly generate performance plots (data for performance plots)

Available resources https://monit.cern.ch/

Services





MONIT-KIBANA

Use Kibana to explore metrics stored in Elasticsearch and interactive data discovery and plotting.





MONIT-GRAFANA

Use Grafana for plotting time series metrics coming from different datasources like Elasticsearch or InfluxDB.



MONIT-ZEPPELIN

Use Zeppelin to generate more advanced reports and visualizations over HDFS with the help of Spark.

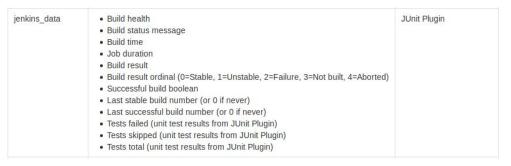


MONIT-TIMBER

Use Kibana to explore logs stored in Elasticsearch and interactive data discovery and plotting.(IT only)

Grafana + InfluxDb for continuous storage of records

- XML reports could be send to Influxdb Jenkins Plugin+JUnit
- Or send data directly to DB via curl (influx-db target (e.g: url,desc,user,pwd,db,rentention) on Jenkins configuration using groovy script)

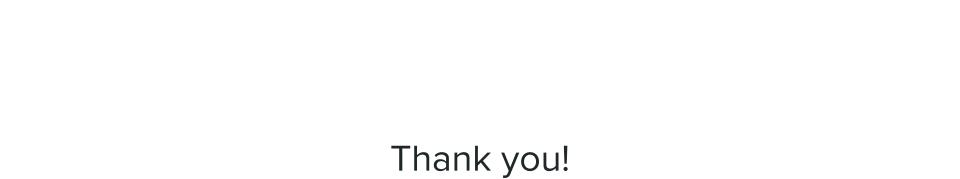




No plans to invest a lot of time, but just to be able to save data generated from builds to database and after be able to visualize it on demand!

Generate plots on local machines (standalone)

- JSON to JSON Highchart friendly version (written by Rafael):
 json-bench-converter
- Easy Highchart generation on https://jsfiddle.net using pregenerated JSON



Backup slides

Pros and cons in having in-tree microbenchmarks

- This would allow us to use various thread sanitizers and analyses when compiling root. This is especially useful for header-only (or template heavy) code, such as TDF.
- Gives a handle to solve "And btw I forgot one item in the failure causes you'll see: the benchmark itself is changed, or the code is expected to be slower because of say an additional runtime check. Happens all the time to *something* in ROOT, too, and any of those will mark Jenkins red, unless the tool somehow distinguishes this? For the old tooling that was a killer."
- Gives a relationship between PR and benchmarks
- Give us a chance to revive and improve the existing in-tree performance tests

Pros and cons in having in-tree microbenchmarks

- Easier to relate ROOT build options (eg. -O2, IMT enabled) to the benchmark executables
- Has greater contribution visibility, shows that ROOT considers performance a first-class citizen
- Makes creation of a test/benchmark one degree easier (no need to clone separate repo, set it up, etc)

Informal team survey

 Based on two polls I did over the last couple of months with various team members we have: 1 strongly against, 1 strongly in favor and few in favor and the majority neutral.