

Measuring Energy Consumption with the Energy Measurement Library

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Classification of measurement tools

- External devices
- Intranode devices
- Hardware counters

Some examples

- Power meters
- Metered power distribution units (PDUs)

Advantages

- No overhead

Disadvantages

- Coarse system-level data

Highly customized tools that measure energy within a node

Some examples

- Linux Energy Attribution and Accounting Platform (*LEA²P*)
- PowerMon2
- PowerPack

Advantages

- More accurate (per-component) data

Disadvantages

- Scalability
- Cost

Hardware providing consumption data through an API

Some examples

- Nvidia Management Library (NVML)
- Intel Running Average Power Limit (RAPL)
- Intel Manycore Platform Software Stack (MPSS)

Advantages

- Abstraction
- Simplicity
- Precision

Disadvantages

- Not always available
- **Heterogeneous interfaces**

Every tool has its own:

- Software interface
- Choice of metric (power/energy)
- System of units
- Adequate sampling rate

Standards are needed!

Performance API (PAPI)

...why not read energy events from PAPI?

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...why not read energy events from PAPI? (they didn't exist)

Can now access some hardware energy counters

Limitations

- Scope limited to hardware counters
- Lower-level abstraction

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EML abstracts away tool-specific details

- Specific software interface calls
- Quantity reported (instant power vs cumulative energy)
- Units reported
- Sampling rate

It also provides convenient data acquisition and exporting

- Portable instrumentation
- Convenient data acquisition
- Low overhead
- Easy to extend
- Open source

EML was first implemented as a C++ library based on the factory method pattern

Shortcomings

- No device discovery functionality
- C code difficult to instrument

EML has been rewritten in C and many issues addressed

Additions

- Run-time autodetection of supported measurement devices
- Further simplified model
- JSON exporting of raw measurement data
- Open sourced under the GPL

<https://github.com/hpc-ull/eml>

Initial device support

- Intel CPUs Sandy Bridge and later (through Intel RAPL)
- Intel Xeon Phi from the host (through Intel MPSS 3.x)
- Nvidia Fermi and Kepler cards (through NVML)

- Stopwatch-like instrumentation of relevant code sections
- Launches data gathering threads
- C-style encapsulation (opaque types with related functions)

Basic Usage

```
#include <eml.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main() {
    emlInit();
    //get total device count and allocate result handles
    size_t count;
    emlDeviceGetCount(&count);
    emlData_t* data[count];

    emlStart();
    //...do work...
    emlStop(data);
    //...use data...
    emlShutdown();
}
```

Data Acquisition

```
for (size_t i = 0; i < count; i++) {
    double consumed, elapsed;
    emlDataGetConsumed(data[i], &consumed);
    emlDataGetElapsed(data[i], &elapsed);
    emlDataFree(data[i]);

    //query each device name to print it alongside results
    emlDevice_t* dev;
    emlDeviceByIndex(i, &dev);
    const char* devname;
    emlDeviceGetName(dev, &devname);
    printf("%s: %gJ in %gs\n", devname, consumed, elapsed);
}
```

Nested Measurements

```
emlStart();  
for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
    emlStart();  
    //...do work...  
    emlStop(inner_data[i]);  
}  
emlStop(outer_data);
```

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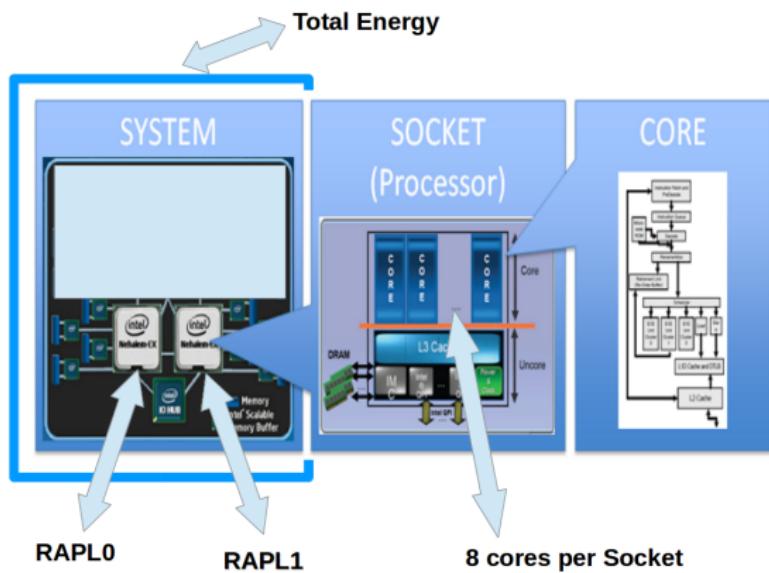
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Node

- 2 x Intel(R) Xeon(R) @ 3.20GHz (Sandy Bridge)
- 8 Cores each
- 20MB L3 cache
- 64GB RAM
- gcc 4.4.5-8
- Intel MSR RAPL Interface

Sandy Bridge Measurements

Performed Experiments



GPU

- 1 x Nvidia Tesla M2090
- 512 cores @ 1.3 GHz
- 6 GB of GDDR5 Memory
- CUDA 4.1
- NVML interface

Instrumented applications

- OSU Microbenchmarks for communication overhead
- Matrix multiplication implementations
 - Sequential
 - OpenMP
 - CUDA shared memory arrays
 - CUDA global memory

Process

- ① Code was instrumented with EML calls
- ② Both instrumented and non-instrumented versions executed through *eml-consumed*
 - wrapper reporting a command's consumption similar to the Unix *time* command

Sequential and OpenMP Matrix Multiplication

Instrumented code for the Sandy Bridge experiments

```
#include <omp.h>
#include <eml.h>

void matmul_omp(float *C, float *A, float *B, int N) {
    int i, j, k;

#pragma omp parallel for private(j,k) shared(A,B,C,N)
    for(i = 0; i < N; i++)
        for(j = 0; j < N; j++)
            for(C[i*N+j] = 0.0, k = 0; k < N; k++)
                C[i*N+j] += A[i*N+k] * B[k*N+j];
}
```

Sequential and OpenMP Matrix Multiplication

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    // ... Matrix initialization ...
    size_t count;
    emlInit();
    emlDeviceGetCount(&count);
    emlDevice_t* devices[count];
    emlData_t* data[count];

    emlStart(); // EML Measurement Start
    matmul_omp(C, A, B, N); // Matrix Mult
    emlStop(data); // EML Measurement Stop

    // ... Data postprocessing ...
    emlShutdown();
    return 0;
}
```

CUDA Matrix Multiplication

Instrumented code for the CUDA experiments

```
#include "common.h"
#include "matrix_common.h"
#include <eml.h>

__global__
void matmul_kernel(float *C, float *A, float *B, int N) {
    int i = blockIdx.y * blockDim.y + threadIdx.y;
    int j = blockIdx.x * blockDim.x + threadIdx.x;

    if ((i<N) && (j<N))
    {
        C[i*N+j] = 0;
        for(int k = 0; k < N; k++)
            C[i*N+j] += A[i*N+k] * B[k*N+j];
    }
}
```

CUDA Matrix Multiplication

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    // EML Preparation
    size_t count;
    emlInit();
    check_error(emlDeviceGetCount(&count));
    emlDevice_t* devices[count];
    emlData_t* data[count];

    // .. Matrix and CUDA Initialization ..

    emlStart();
}
```

CUDA Matrix Multiplication

```
// Memory allocation
HANDLE_ERROR(cudaMalloc(&d_A, bytes));
HANDLE_ERROR(cudaMalloc(&d_B, bytes));
HANDLE_ERROR(cudaMalloc(&d_C, bytes));
// Host initializing
Initialize(A, N*BLOCK_SIZE, N*BLOCK_SIZE);
Initialize(B, N*BLOCK_SIZE, N*BLOCK_SIZE);
// Device initializing
HANDLE_ERROR(cudaMemcpy(d_A, A, bytes,
    cudaMemcpyHostToDevice));
HANDLE_ERROR(cudaMemcpy(d_B, B, bytes,
    cudaMemcpyHostToDevice));

dim3 dimBlock(BLOCK_SIZE, BLOCK_SIZE);
dim3 dimGrid(N, N);
```

CUDA Matrix Multiplication

```
matmul_kernel<<<dimGrid, dimBlock>>>(d_C, d_A, d_B,  
N*BLOCK_SIZE);  
  
HANDLE_ERROR(cudaMemcpy(C, d_C, bytes,  
cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost));  
  
// EML Measurement Stop  
emlStop(data);  
  
// .. Data Retrieving and memory deallocation..  
emlShutdown();  
  
return 0;  
}
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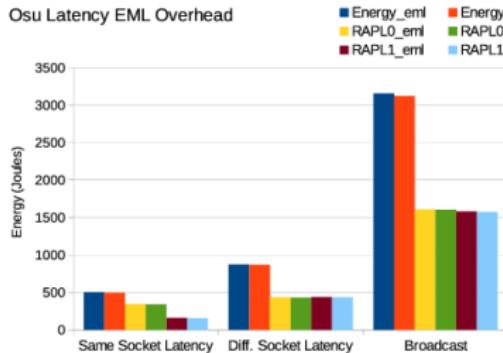
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- Point to point communication (*osu_latency*)
- Broadcast (*osu_bcast*)

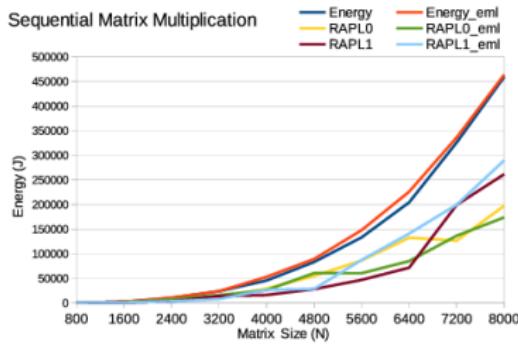


- Comparison between instrumented and non instrumented versions
- Energy 1.53% higher for instrumented same socket latency
- Energy 0.60% higher for instrumented different socket latency
- Energy 1.09% higher for instrumented broadcast

Performed Experiments

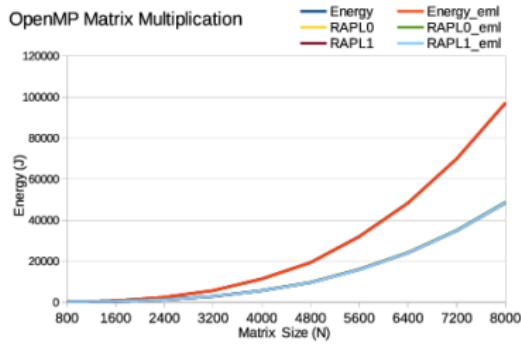
- Sequential Matrix Multiplication
- OpenMP Matrix Multiplication

Sequential Matrix Multiplication



- Not very precise due to RAPL limitations
 - Matrix Multiplication uses 1 core
 - RAPL measures the entire socket
- Energy up to 10.59% higher for instrumented matrix multiplication

OpenMP Matrix Multiplication



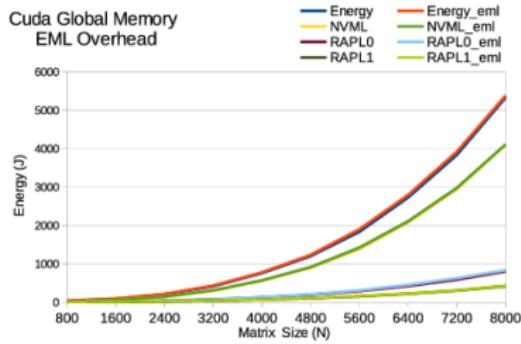
- Very precise due to RAPL nature
 - Matrix Multiplication uses 16 cores
 - RAPL measures the entire sockets
- Energy up to 0.81% higher for instrumented matrix multiplication

Performed Experiments

- Global Memory Matrix Multiplication
- Shared Memory Matrix Multiplication

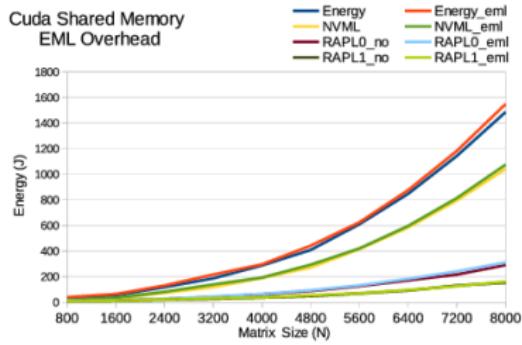
The executions are example codes provided by Nvidia instrumented with EML

Global Memory Matrix Multiplication

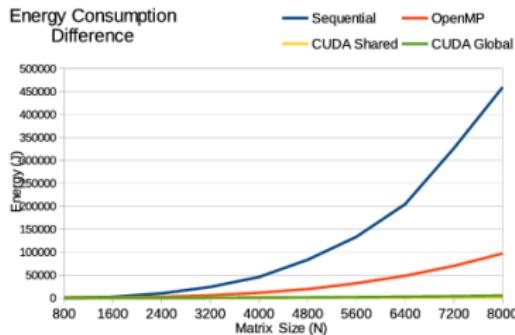


- Constant energy overhead due to NVML calls
- Energy up to 9.53% higher for very low size problems (Absolute error, 9 Joules)
- Energy 0.99% higher for size of 8000 rows

Shared Memory Matrix Multiplication



- Same constant energy overhead due to NVML calls
- Energy up to 15.98% higher for very low size problems (Absolute error, 9 Joules)
- Energy 0.52% higher for size of 8000 rows



- Sequential energy consumption is not comparable. Lack of precision.
- CUDA Examples consume much less than Sandy Bridge versions
- Cuda Shared memory is the less energy consuming ($1487, 24J$ $N = 8000$)

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- EML is a practical tool for energy consumption analysis
- Low enough overhead to fulfill its role

- Support for more devices (including out-of-node)
 - Metered PDUs
 - Instrumented mobile targets
- Integration with interposition techniques
- Complementary data postprocessing tools

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