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## HPCToolkit Performance Tools

Performance analysis of CPU and GPU-accelerated applications at Scale

HPCToolkit at Exascale on Frontier: 8K nodes, 64K MPI ranks + GPU Tiles

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# Rice University's HPCToolkit Performance Tools

Measure and analyze performance of CPU and GPU-accelerated applications

Easy: profile unmodified application binaries

Fast: low-overhead measurement

Informative: understand where an application spends its time and why

- call path profiles associate metrics with application source code contexts

- optional hierarchical traces to understand execution dynamics

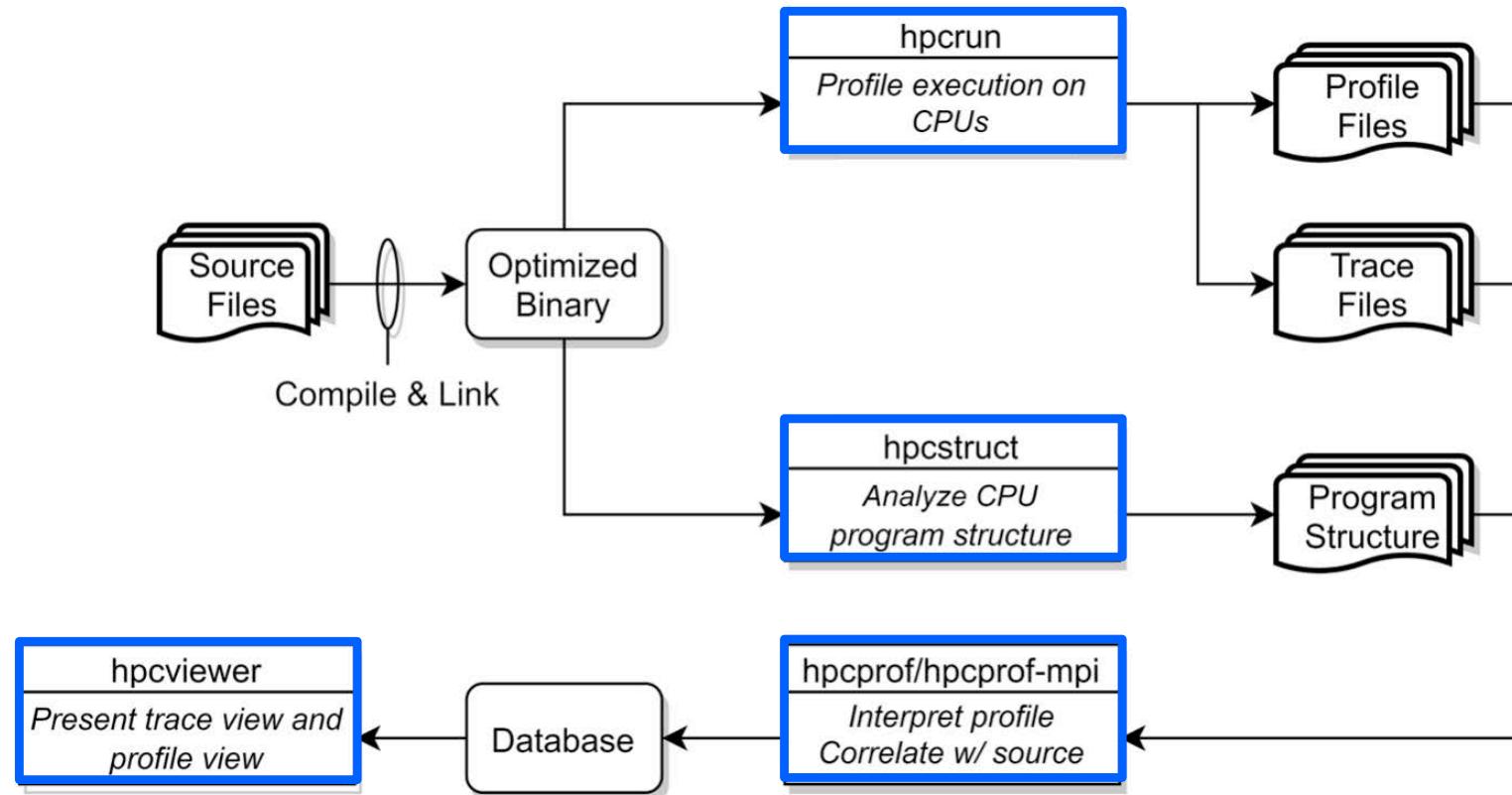
Broad audience

- application developers

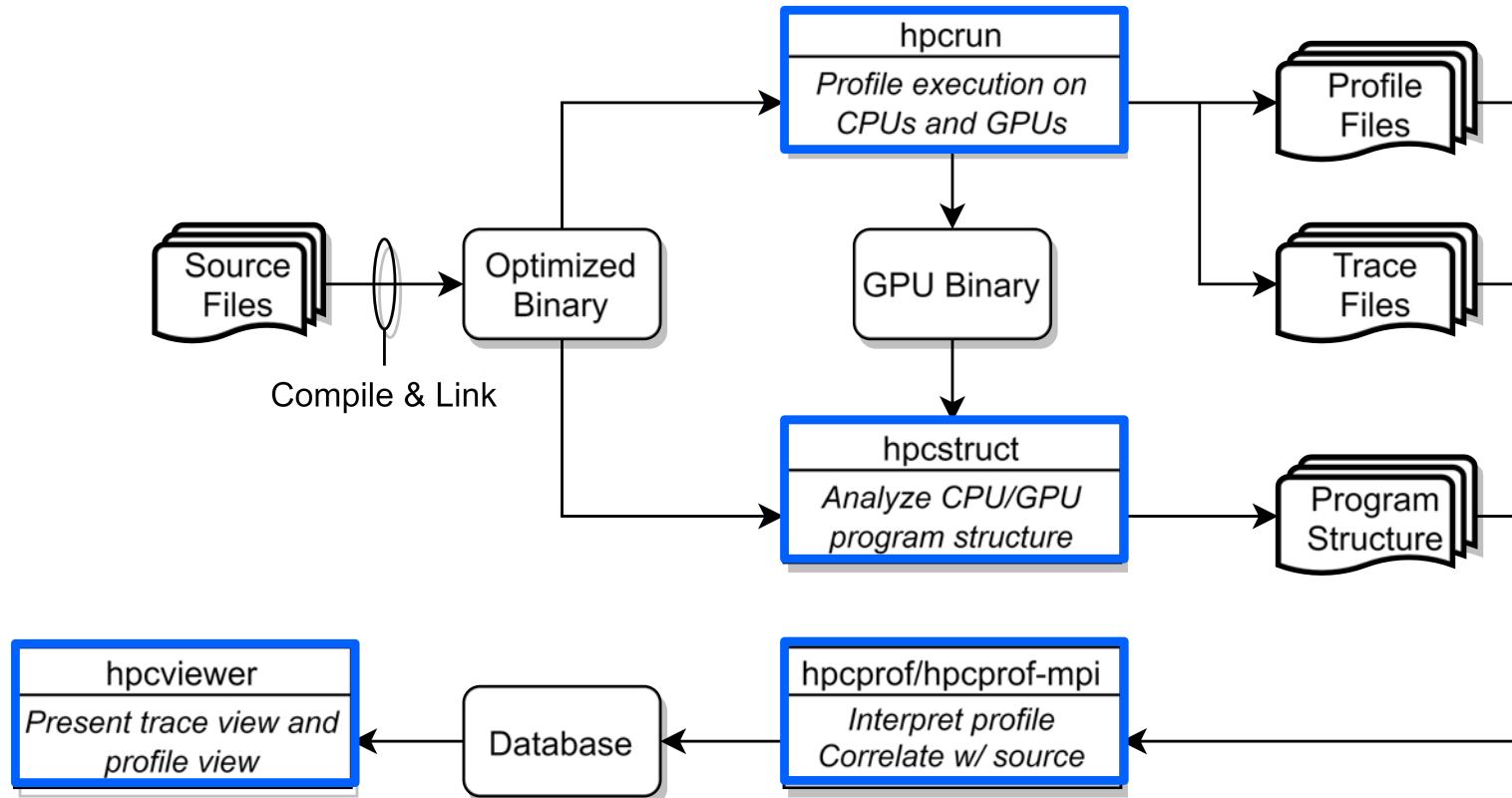
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- runtime and tool developers

# HPCToolkit's Workflow for CPU Applications



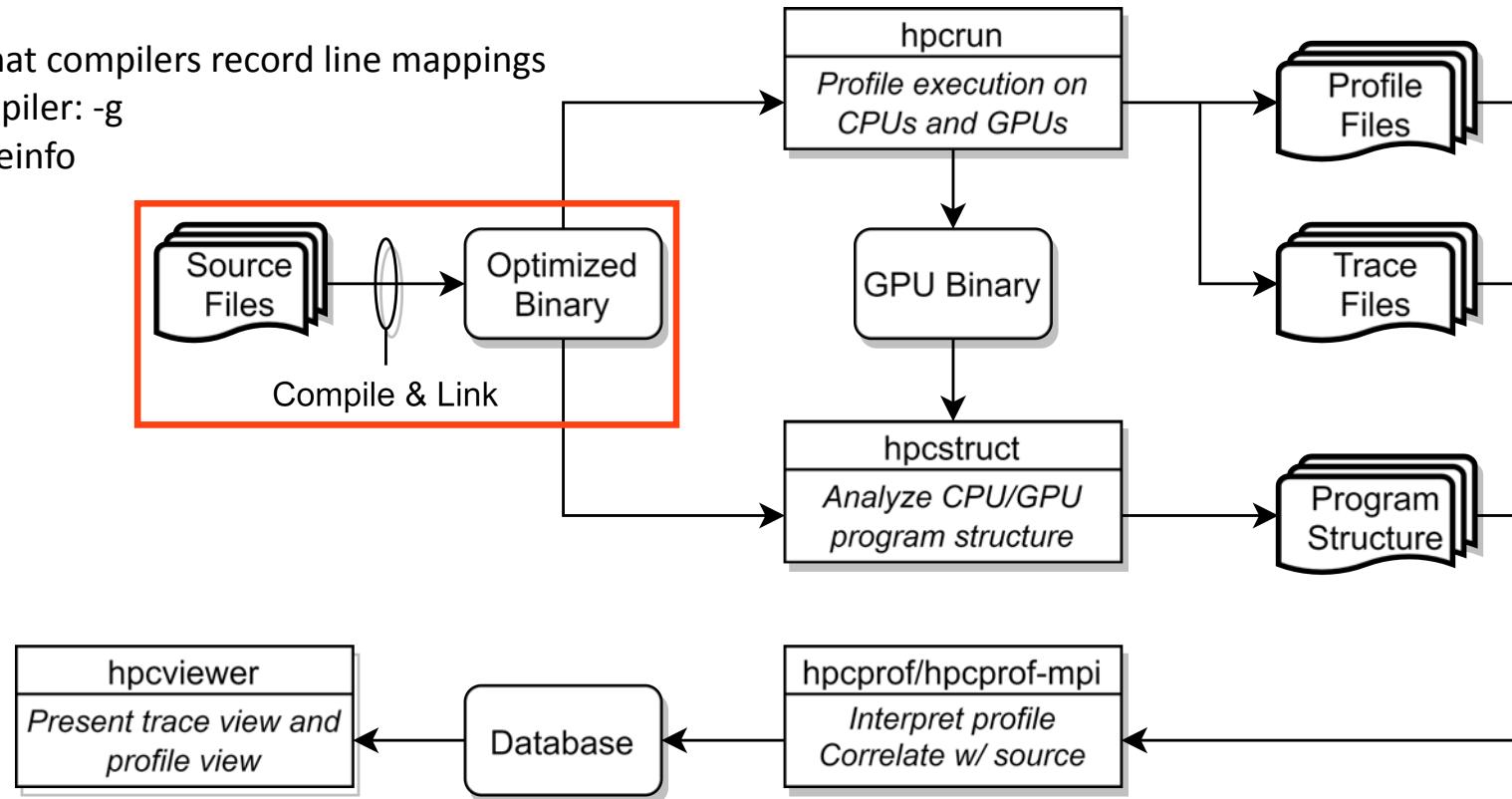
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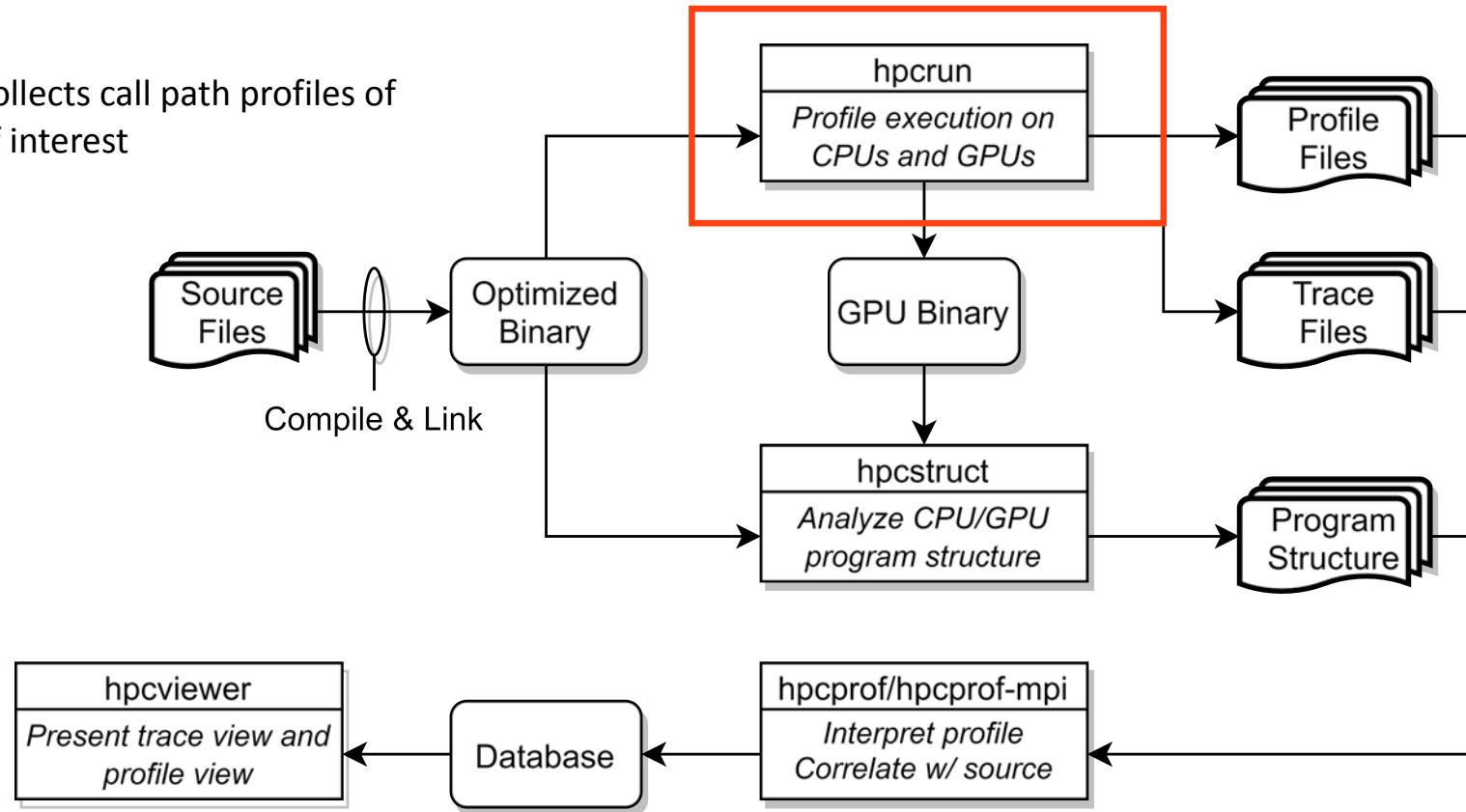
- Ensure that compilers record line mappings
- host compiler: -g
- nvcc: -lineinfo



# HPCToolkit's Workflow for GPU-accelerated Applications

## Step 2:

- *hpcrun* collects call path profiles of events of interest



# Measurement of CPU and GPU-accelerated Applications

## CPU

Sampling on timer interrupts and hardware counter overflows on the CPU

## GPU

Callbacks when GPU operations are launched/completed

GPU event stream for GPU operations

PC Samples in GPU kernels (NVIDIA)

Instruction-level instrumentation (Intel)

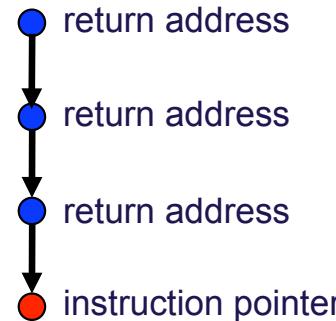
# Call Stack Unwinding to Attribute Costs in Context

Unwind when timer or hardware counter overflows

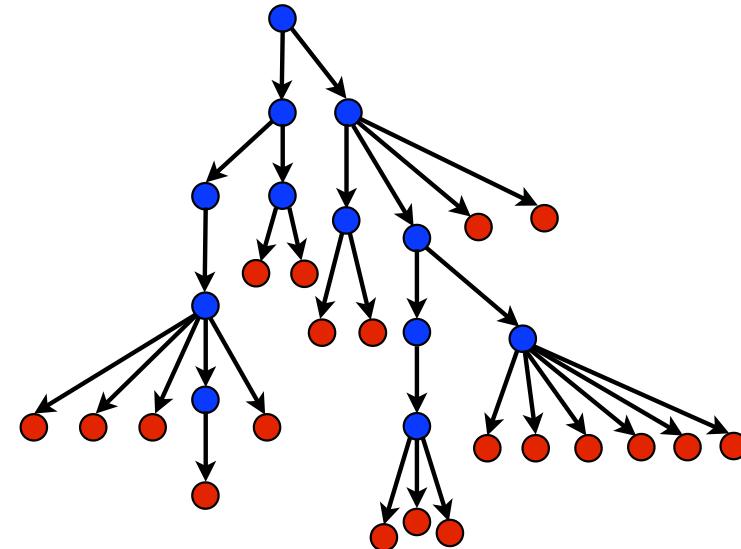
measurement overhead proportional to sampling frequency rather than call frequency

Unwind to capture context for GPU events such as kernel launches and data copies

Call path sample



Calling context tree



# hpcrun: Measure CPU and/or GPU activity

## GPU profiling

```
hpcrun -e gpu=xxx <app> ...
```

**xxx** ∈ {*nvidia, amd, opencl, level0*}

## GPU instrumentation (Intel GPU only)

```
hpcrun -e gpu=level0,inst=count,latency <app>
```

## GPU PC sampling (NVIDIA GPU only)

```
hpcrun -e gpu=nvidia,pc <app>
```

## CPU and GPU Tracing (in addition to profiling)

```
hpcrun -e CPUTIME -e gpu=xxx -t <app>
```

## Use hpcrun with job launchers

```
jsrun -n 32 -g 1 -a 1 hpcrun -e gpu=xxx <app>
srun -n 1 -G 1 hpcrun -e gpu=xxx <app>
aprun -n 16 -N 8 -d 8 hpcrun -e gpu=xxx <app>
```

### Profiles: aggregated on the fly

- a calling context tree per thread
- a calling context tree per GPU stream
- instruction level measurements

### CPU traces

- trace of call stack samples

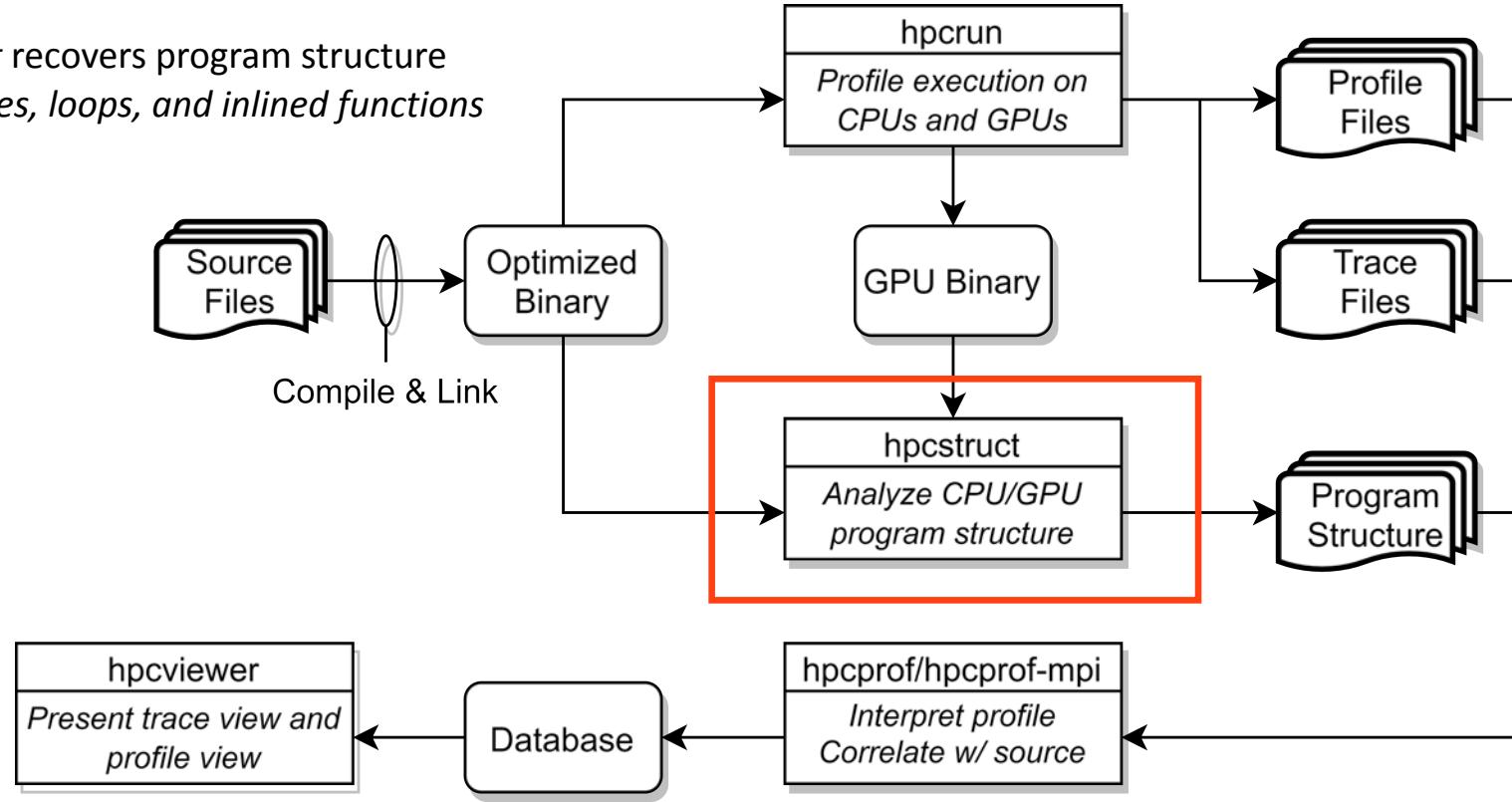
### GPU traces

- trace of call stacks that initiate GPU operations

# HPCToolkit's Workflow for GPU-accelerated Applications

## Step 3:

- *hpcstruct* recovers program structure  
*about lines, loops, and inlined functions*



# hpcstruct: Analyze CPU and GPU Binaries Using Multiple Threads

## Usage

```
hpcstruct [ --gpucfg yes ] <measurement-directory>
```

## What it does

Recover program structure information

Files, functions, inlined templates or functions, loops, source lines

In parallel, analyze all CPU and GPU binaries that were measured by HPCToolkit

default: use size(CPU set)/2 threads

analyze large application binaries with 16 threads

analyze multiple small application binaries concurrently with 2 threads each

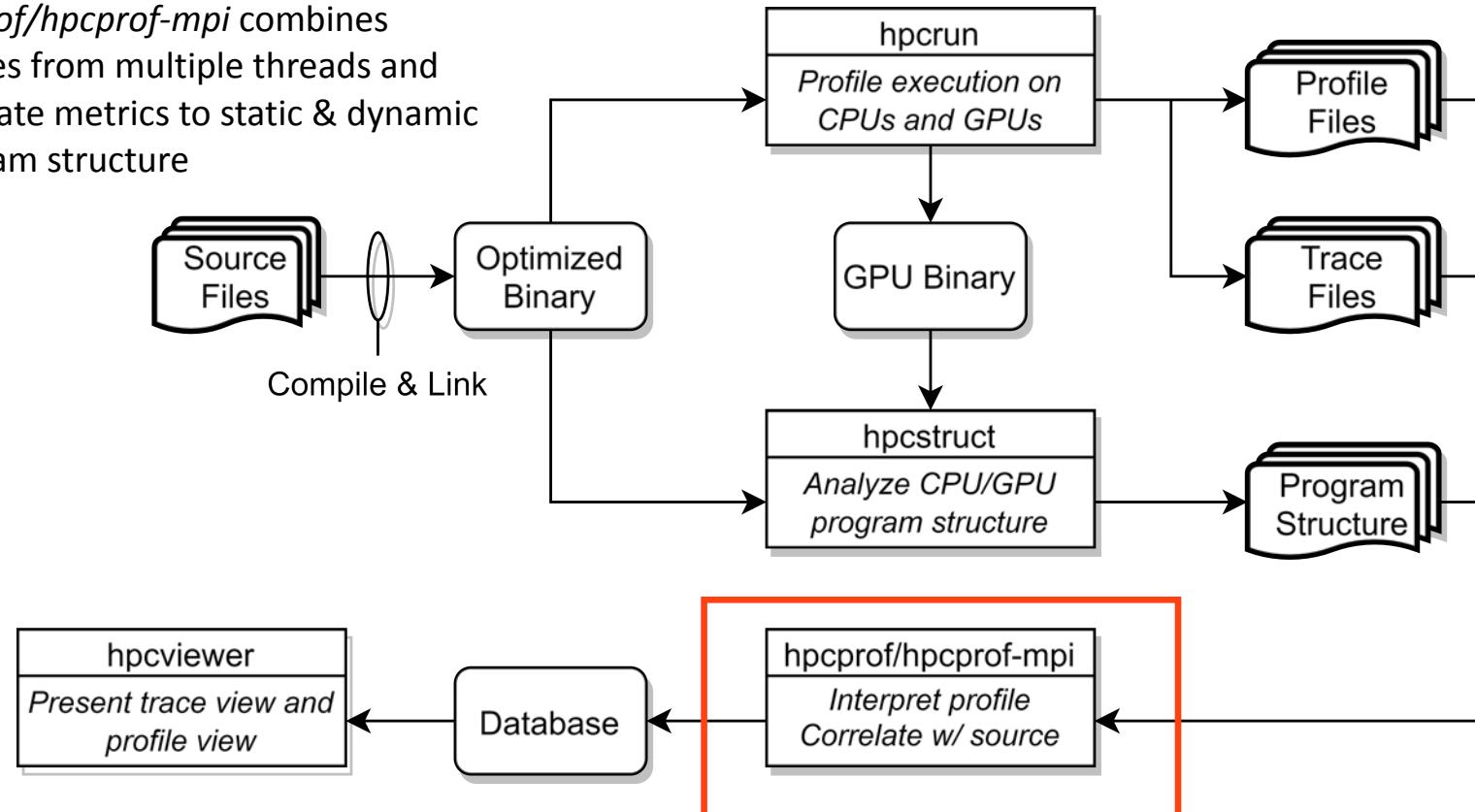
Cache binary analysis results for reuse when analyzing other executions

NOTE: **--gpucfg yes** needed only for analysis of GPU binaries when NVIDIA PC samples were collected

# HPCToolkit's Workflow for GPU-accelerated Applications

## Step 4:

- *hpcprof/hpcprof-mpi* combines profiles from multiple threads and correlate metrics to static & dynamic program structure



# **hpcprof/hpcprof-mpi: Associate Measurements with Program Structure**

Analyze data from modest executions with threaded parallelism

```
hpcprof <measurement-directory>
```

Analyze data from large executions using both distributed-memory and shared-memory parallelism

```
jsrun -n 32 -a 1 hpcprof-mpi <measurement-directory>
```

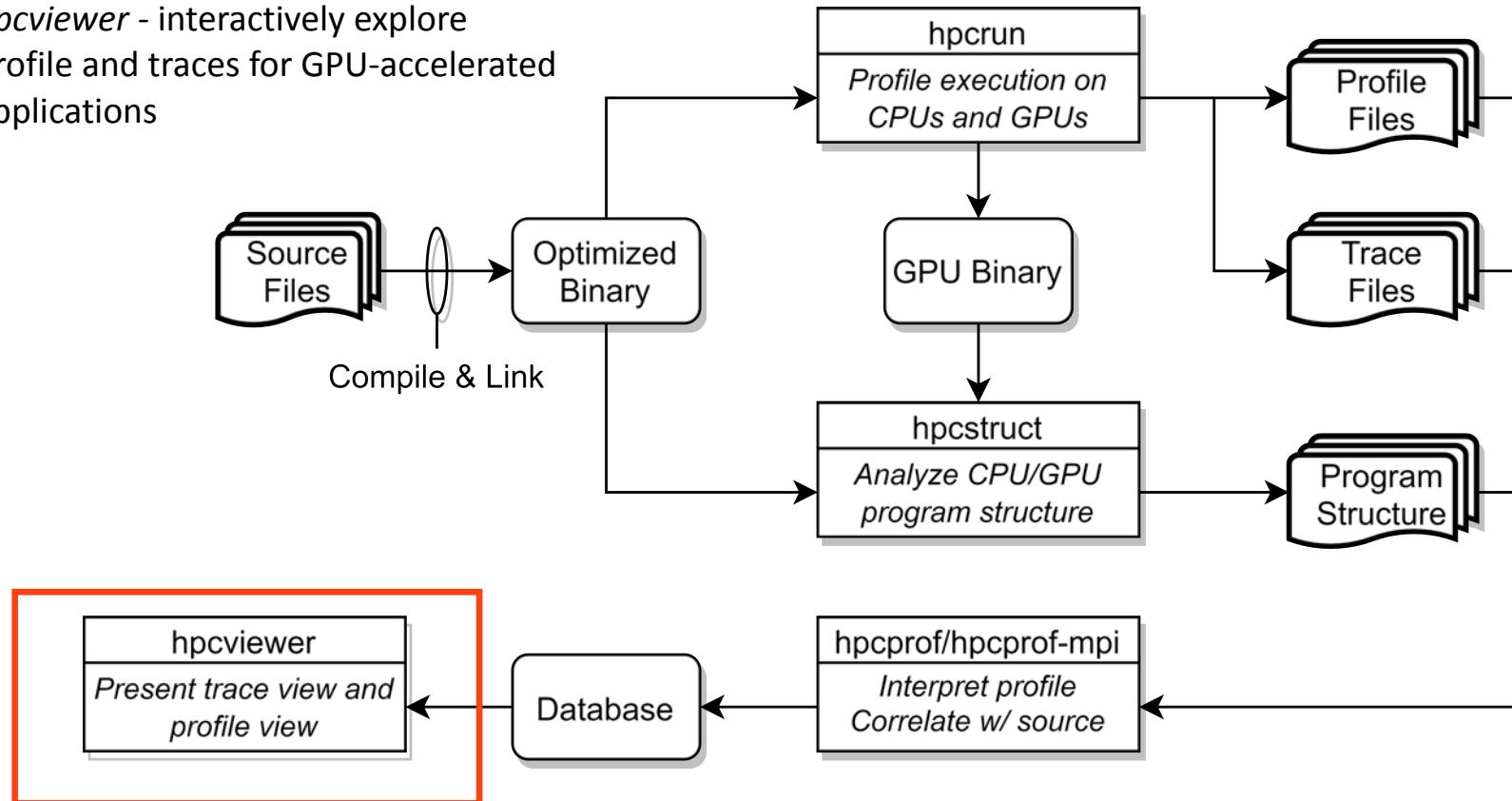
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srun -n 32 hpcprof-mpi <measurement-directory>
```

```
aprun -n 128 -N 8 hpcprof-mpi <measurement-directory>
```

# HPCToolkit's Workflow for GPU-accelerated Applications

## Step 4:

- *hpcviewer* - interactively explore profile and traces for GPU-accelerated applications



# Code-centric Analysis with hpcviewer

The screenshot shows the hpcviewer interface with several labeled components:

- source pane**: The leftmost pane displays the source code of the application. A specific line of code is highlighted in blue.
- view control**: A panel at the top with three tabs: "Top-down view", "Bottom-up view", and "Flat view".
- metric display**: The bottom-left pane shows a hierarchical tree of metrics. Nodes are colored green, orange, or purple, corresponding to different analysis levels.
- navigation pane**: The bottom-right pane provides a detailed view of performance metrics. It includes columns for REALTIME (usec):Sum (I), REALTIME (usec):Sum (E), and percentages. The data table is as follows:

REALTIME (usec):Sum (I)	REALTIME (usec):Sum (E)
1.47e+09	100.0%
7.95e+08	54.2%
6.69e+08	45.7%
6.69e+08	0.0%
6.69e+08	0.0%
6.69e+08	45.0%
4.11e+08	28.1%
3.91e+08	26.7%
3.88e+08	26.5%
2.43e+08	16.6%
1.55e+08	10.6%
1.04e+08	7.1%
1.03e+08	7.1%
1.03e+08	7.0%
1.03e+08	7.0%
4.40e+07	3.0%
1.11e+07	0.8%

- metric pane**: The rightmost pane displays a detailed table of performance metrics, showing values for both internal (I) and external (E) components.

# Understanding Temporal Behavior

Profiling compresses out the temporal dimension

Temporal patterns, e.g. serial sections and dynamic load imbalance are invisible in profiles

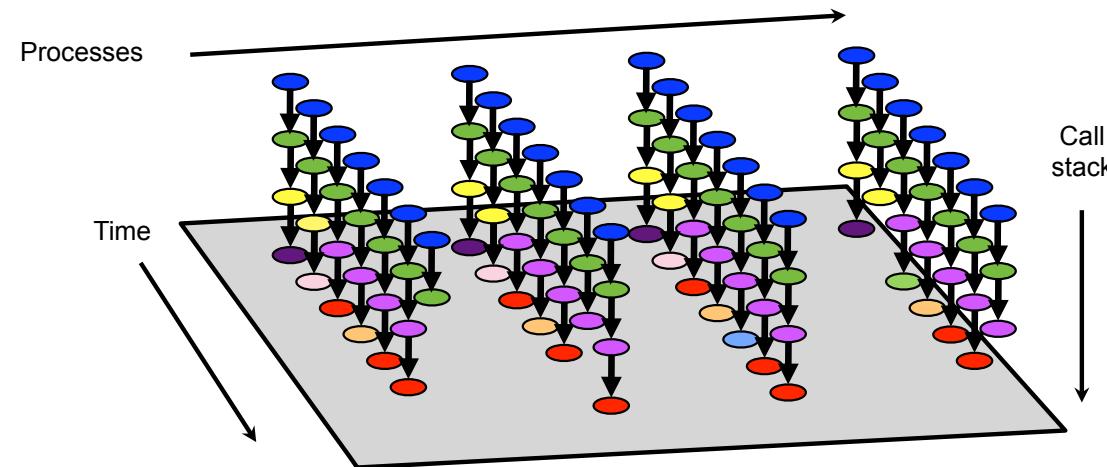
What can we do? Trace call path samples

N times per second, take a call path sample of each thread

Organize the samples for each thread along a time line

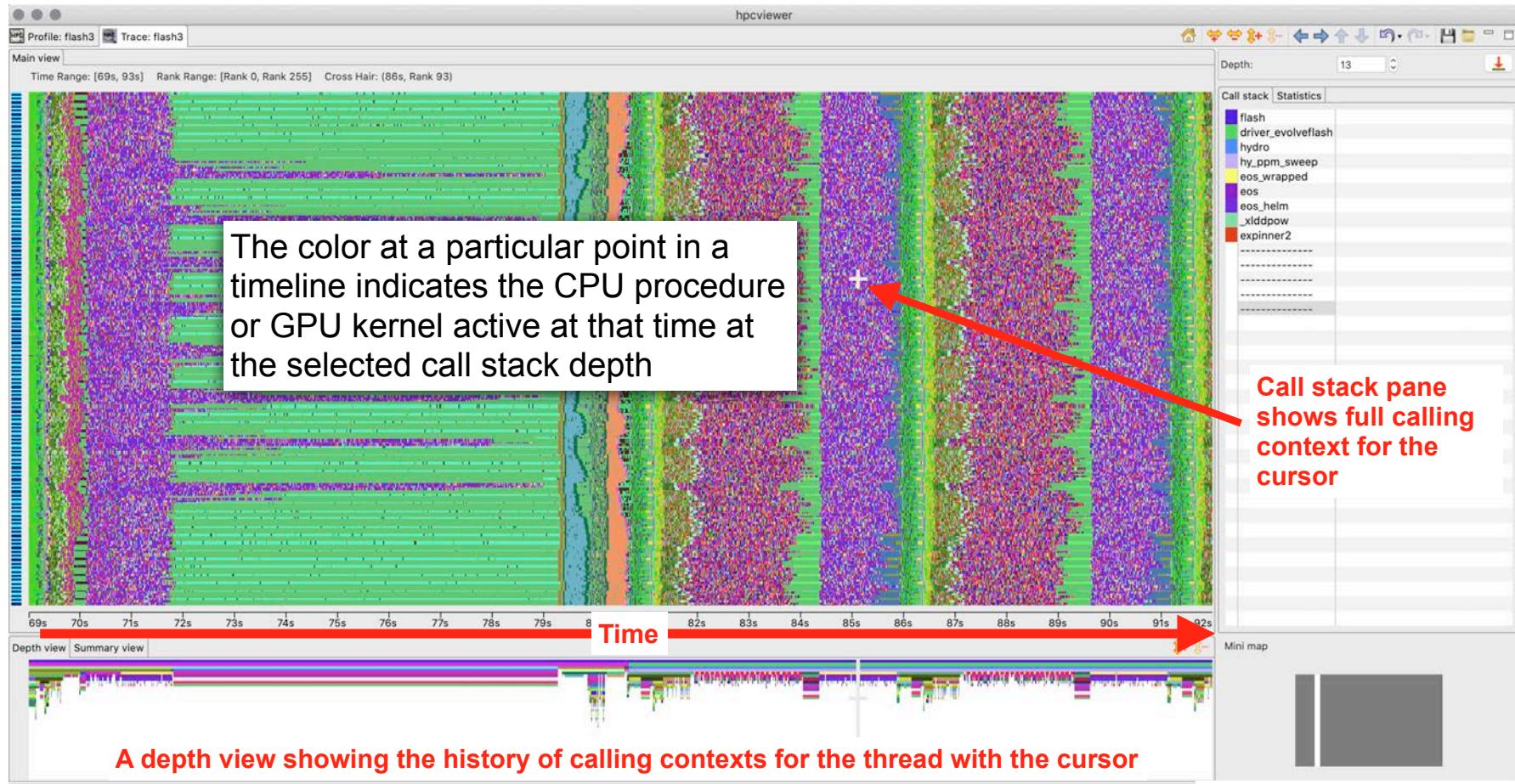
View how the execution evolves left to right

What do we view? assign each procedure a color; view a depth slice of an execution



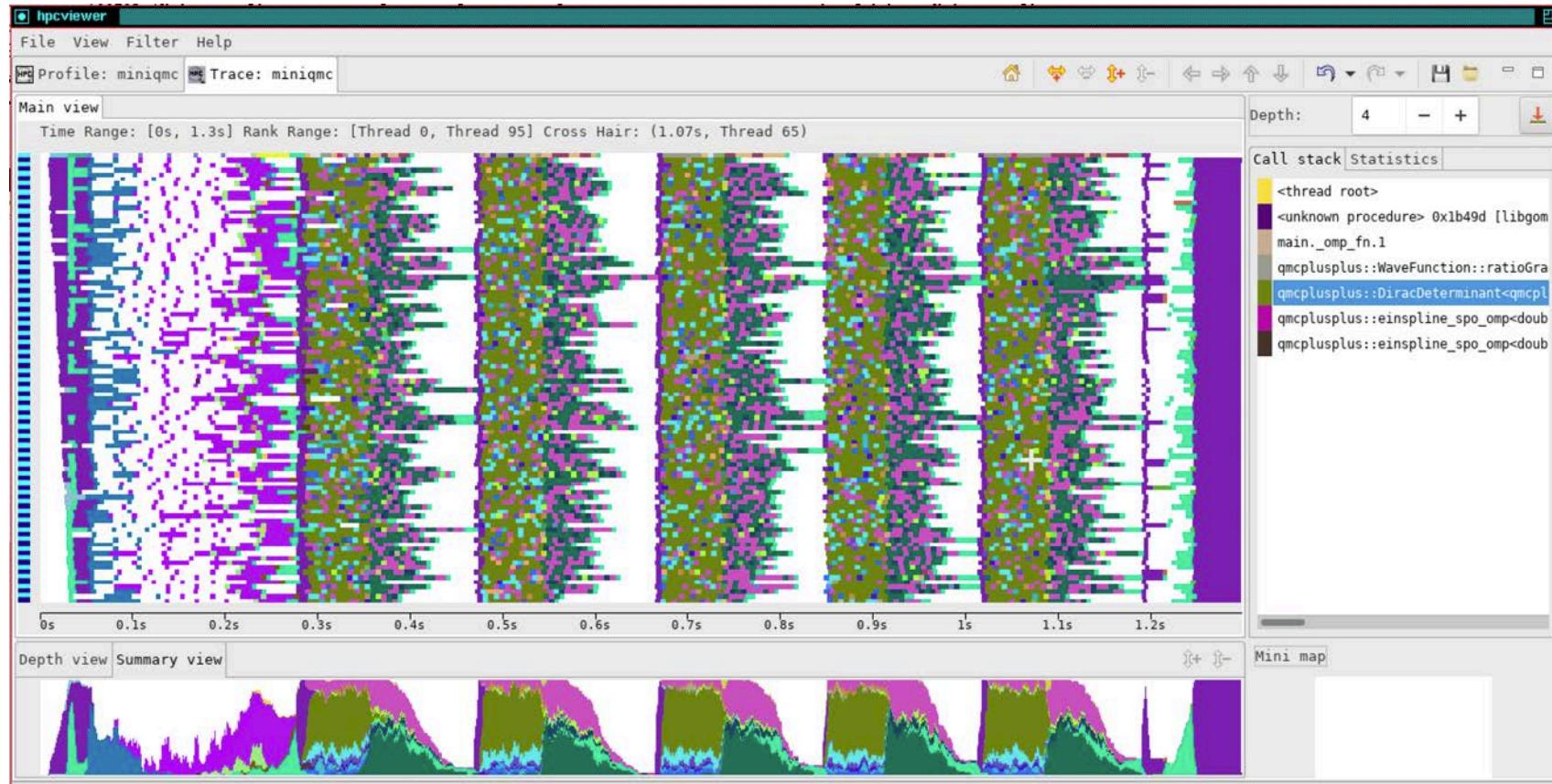
# Time-centric Analysis with hpcviewer

MPI ranks, OpenMP Threads, GPU streams



# White Intervals in Traces Indicate Blocking of CPU Threads or GPU Streams

Miniqmc: OpenMP on 32 CPU threads

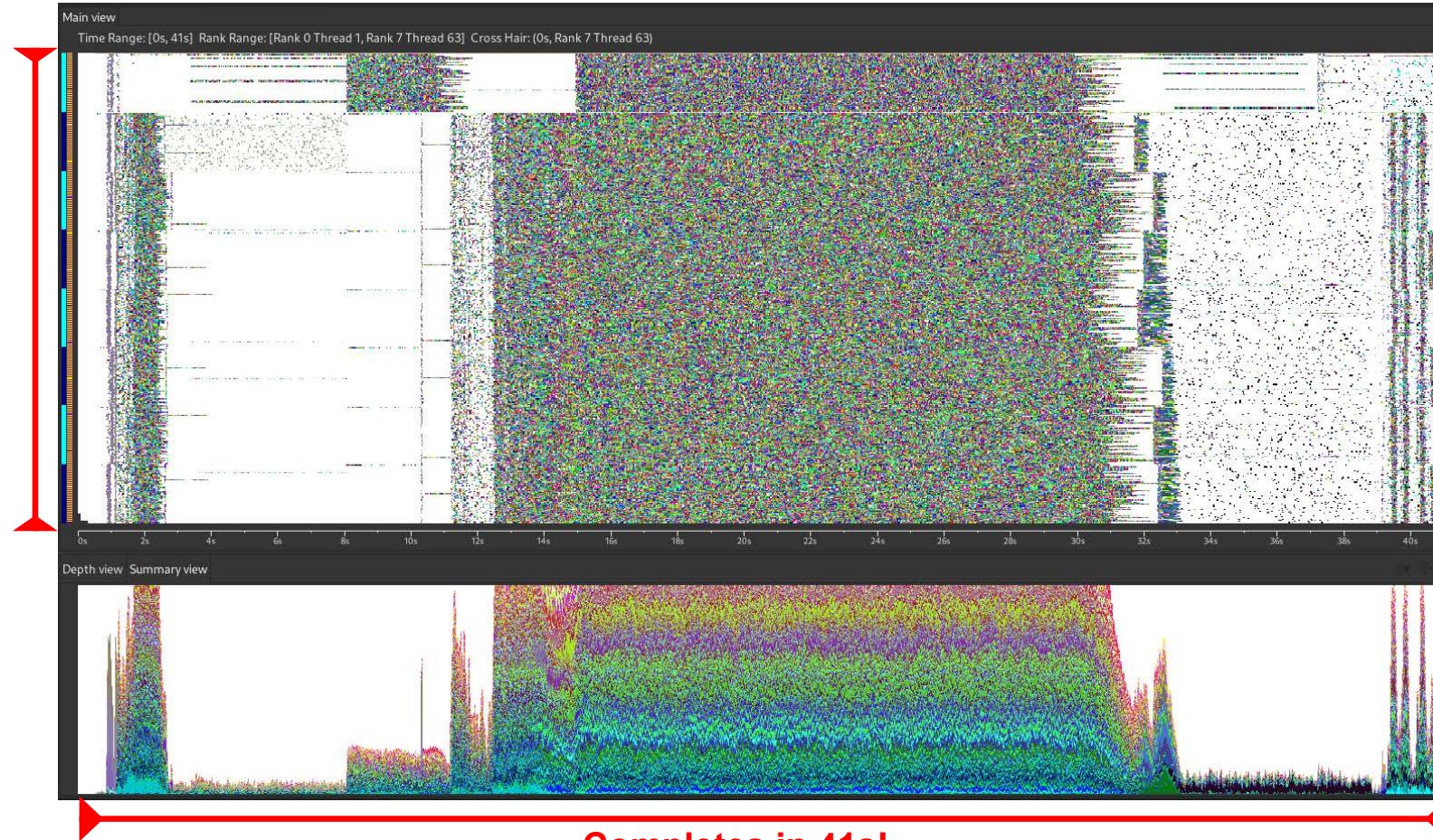


# hpcstruct Example: Analyze 7.7GB TensorFlow library (170MB text) in 77s



# hpcprof-mpi: Analyze Measurements of LAMMPS @ 2K threads + 2K GPUs

Analysis on 8 nodes  
using 504 threads!



# Coarse- and Fine-grain Measurement on NVIDIA GPUs: LLNL's Quicksilver

Compute Node

-2xPower9 + 4xNVIDIA  
GPUs

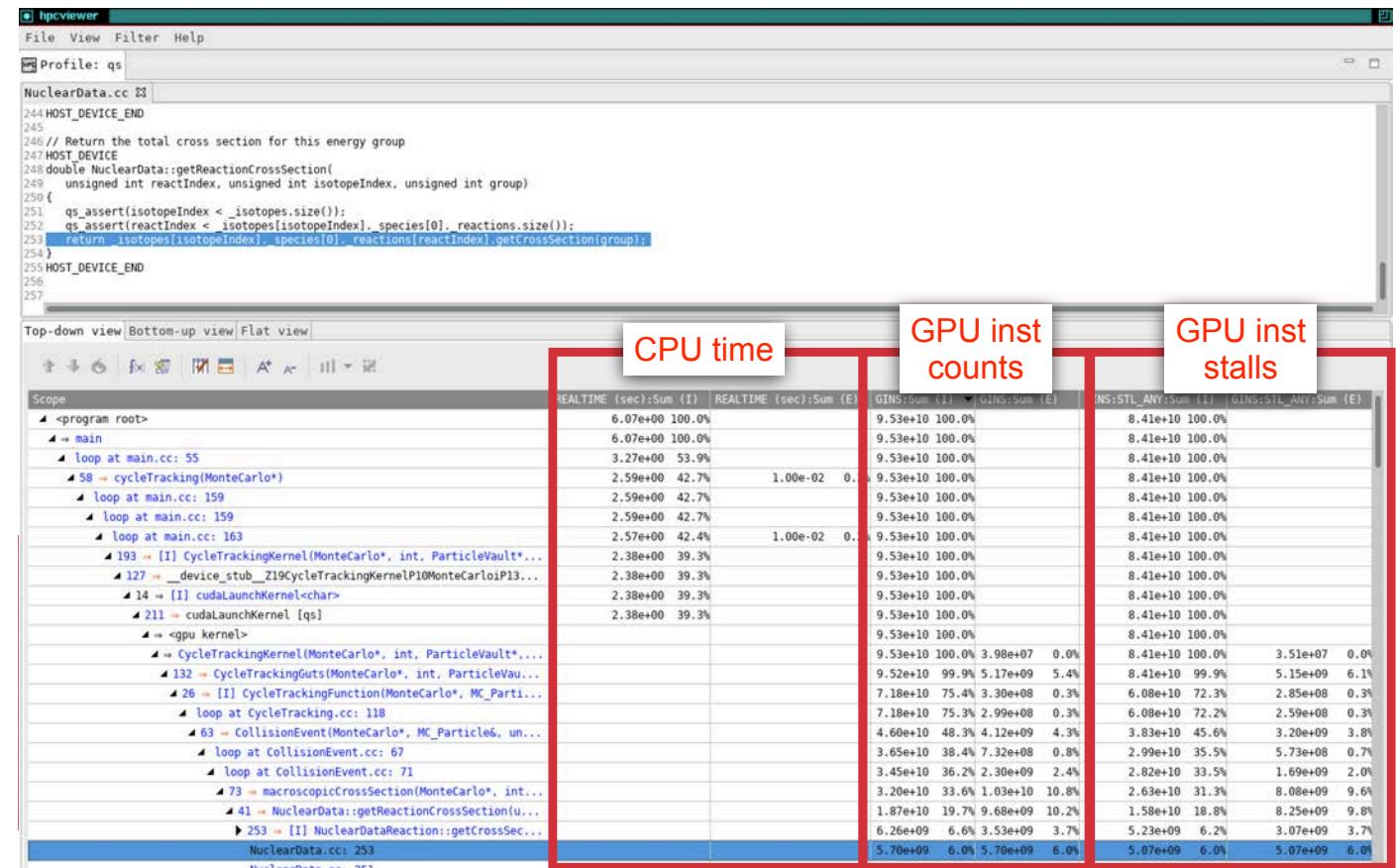
Optimized (-O2) compilation  
with nvcc

Detailed measurement and  
attribution using PC sampling

Attribute information to  
heterogeneous calling context

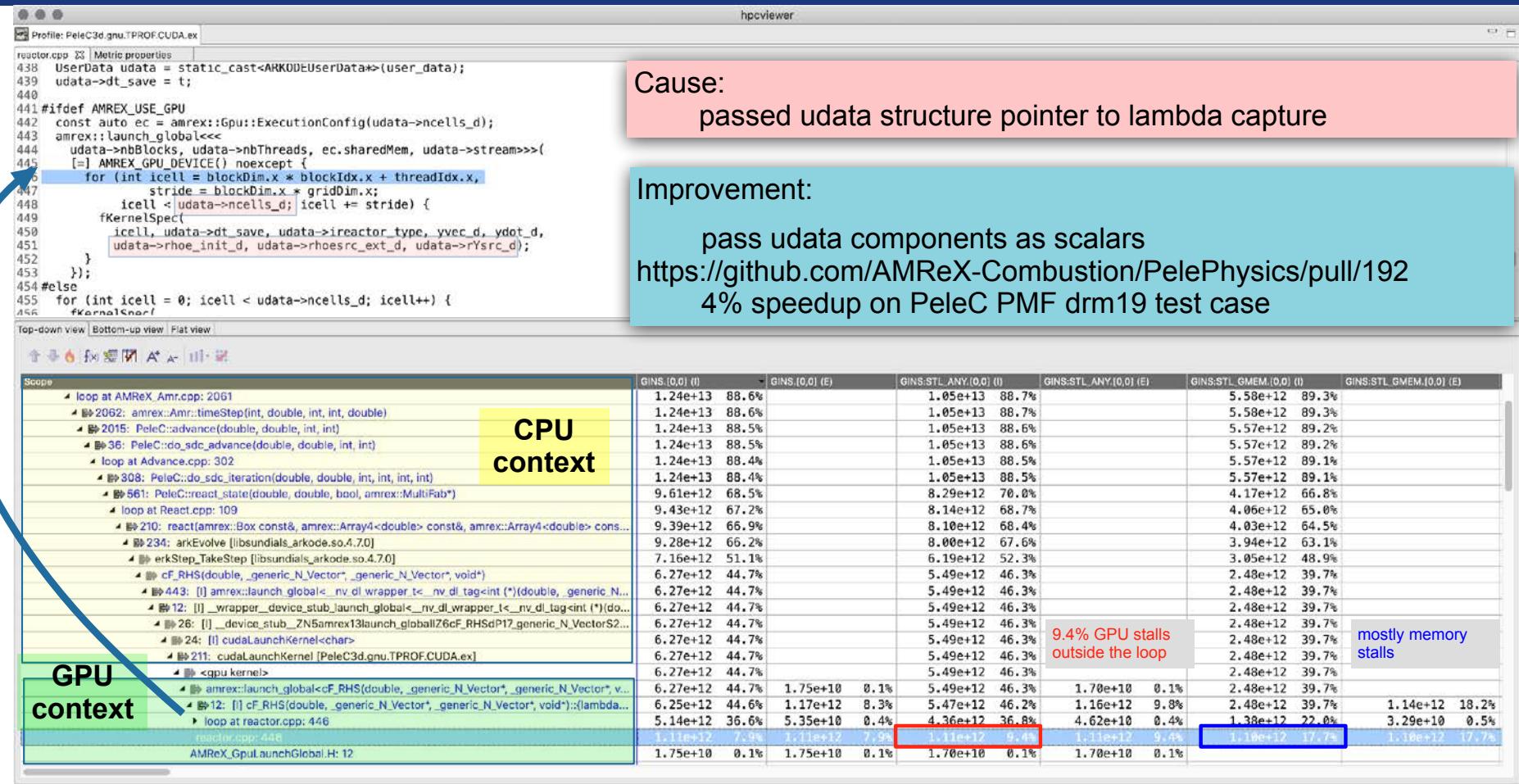
Key Metrics

- instructions executed
- instruction stalls and reasons
- GPU utilization

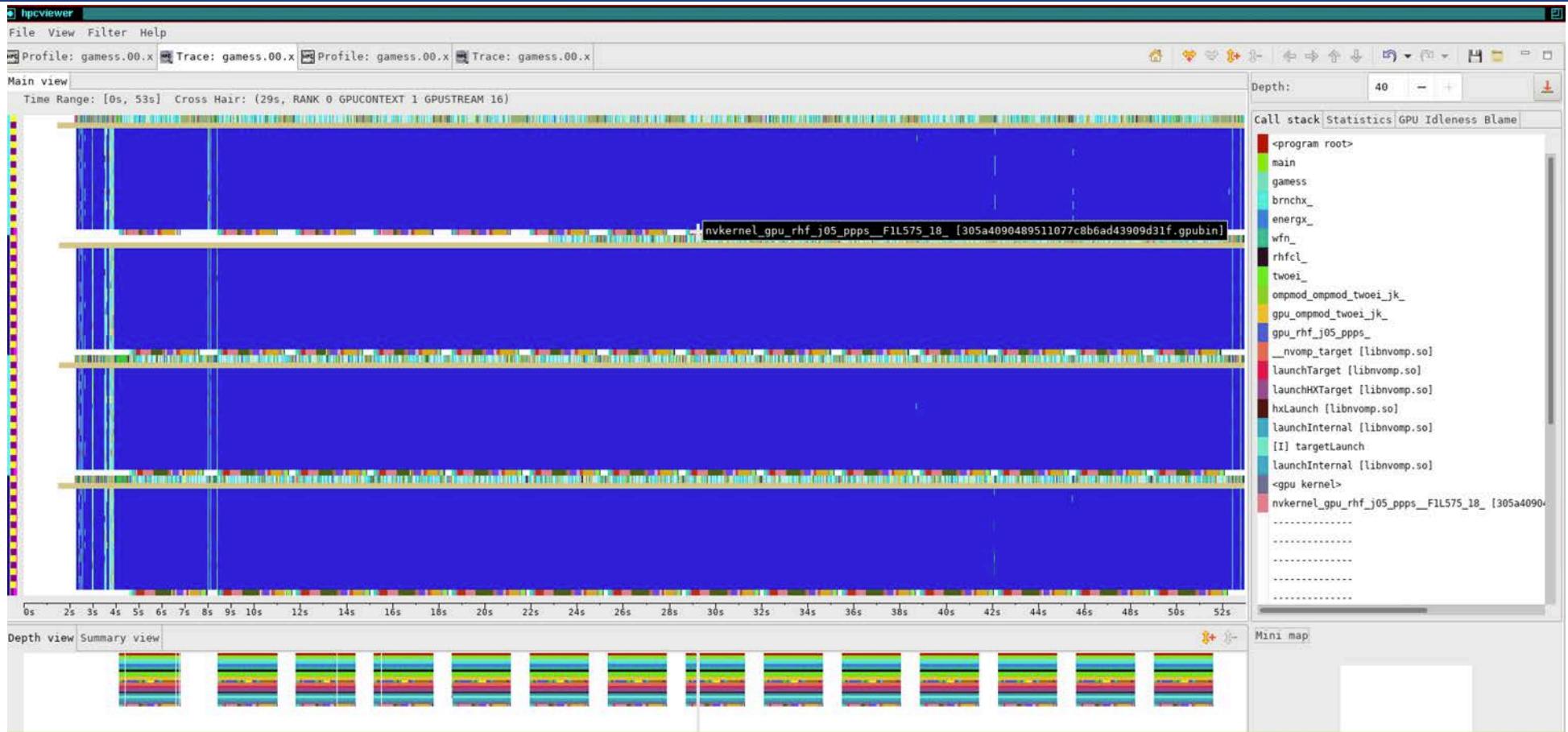


K. Zhou, M. W. Krentel, and J. Mellor-Crummey. Tools for top-down performance analysis of GPU-accelerated applications. International Conference on Supercomputing. ACM, NY, NY, USA, June, 2020.

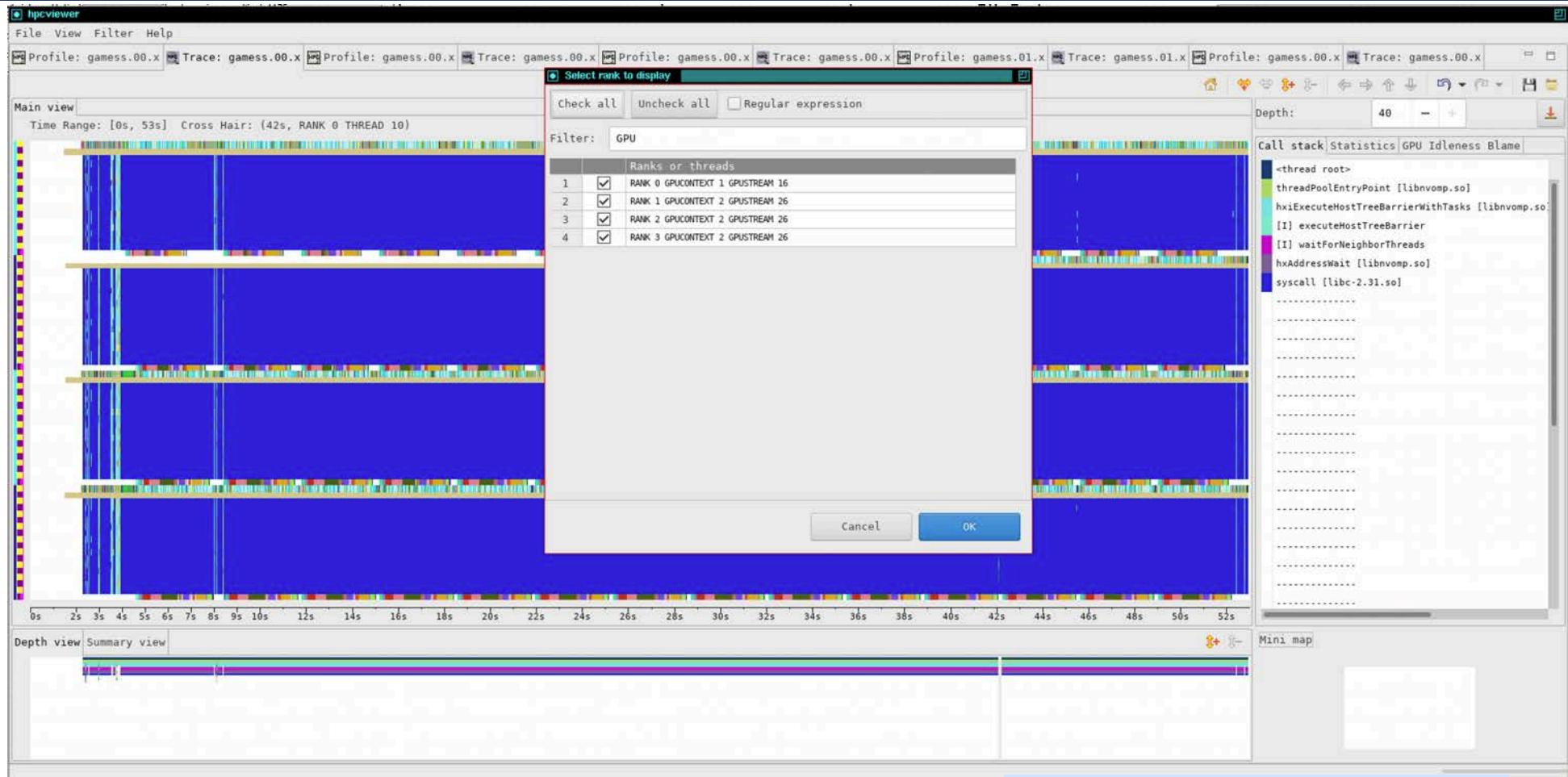
# Analysis of PeleC using PC Sampling on an NVIDIA GPU



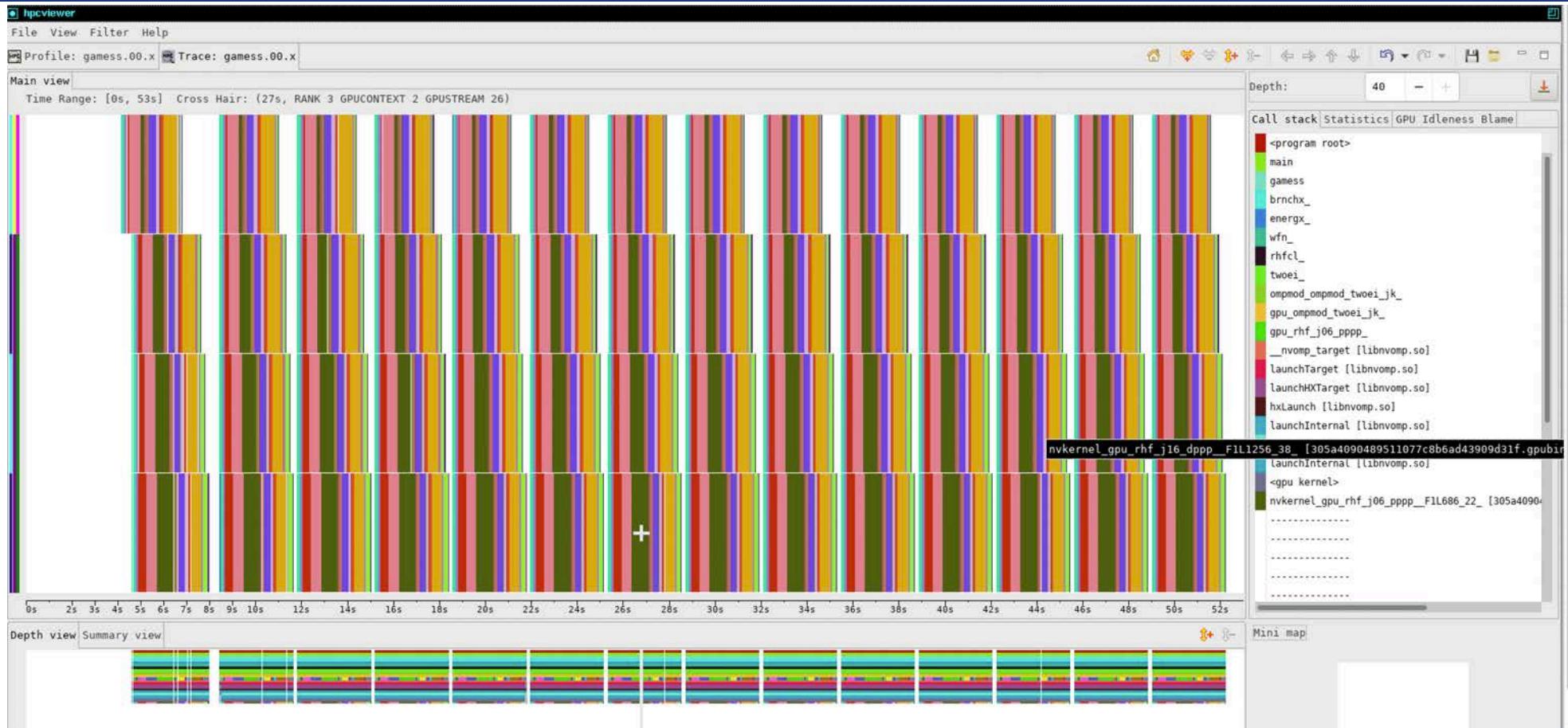
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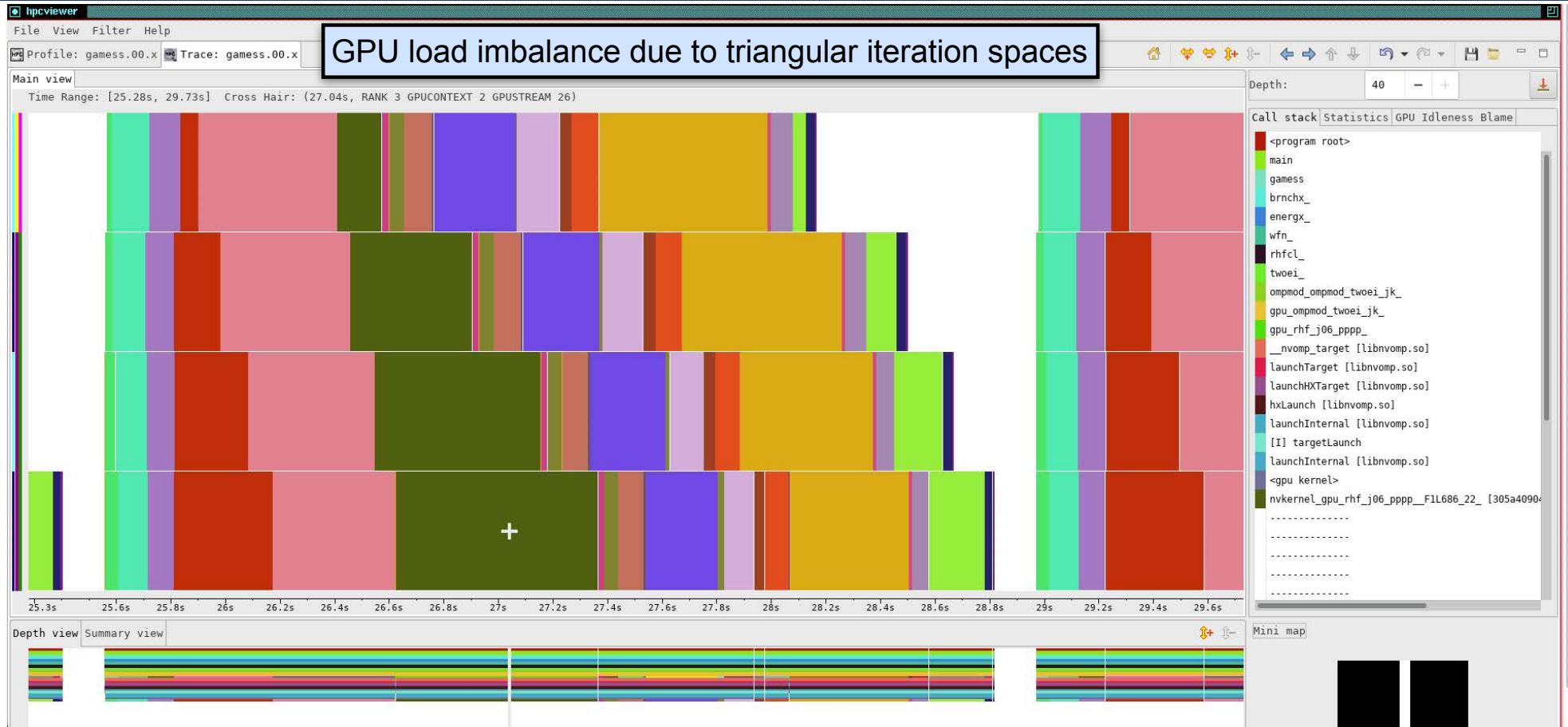
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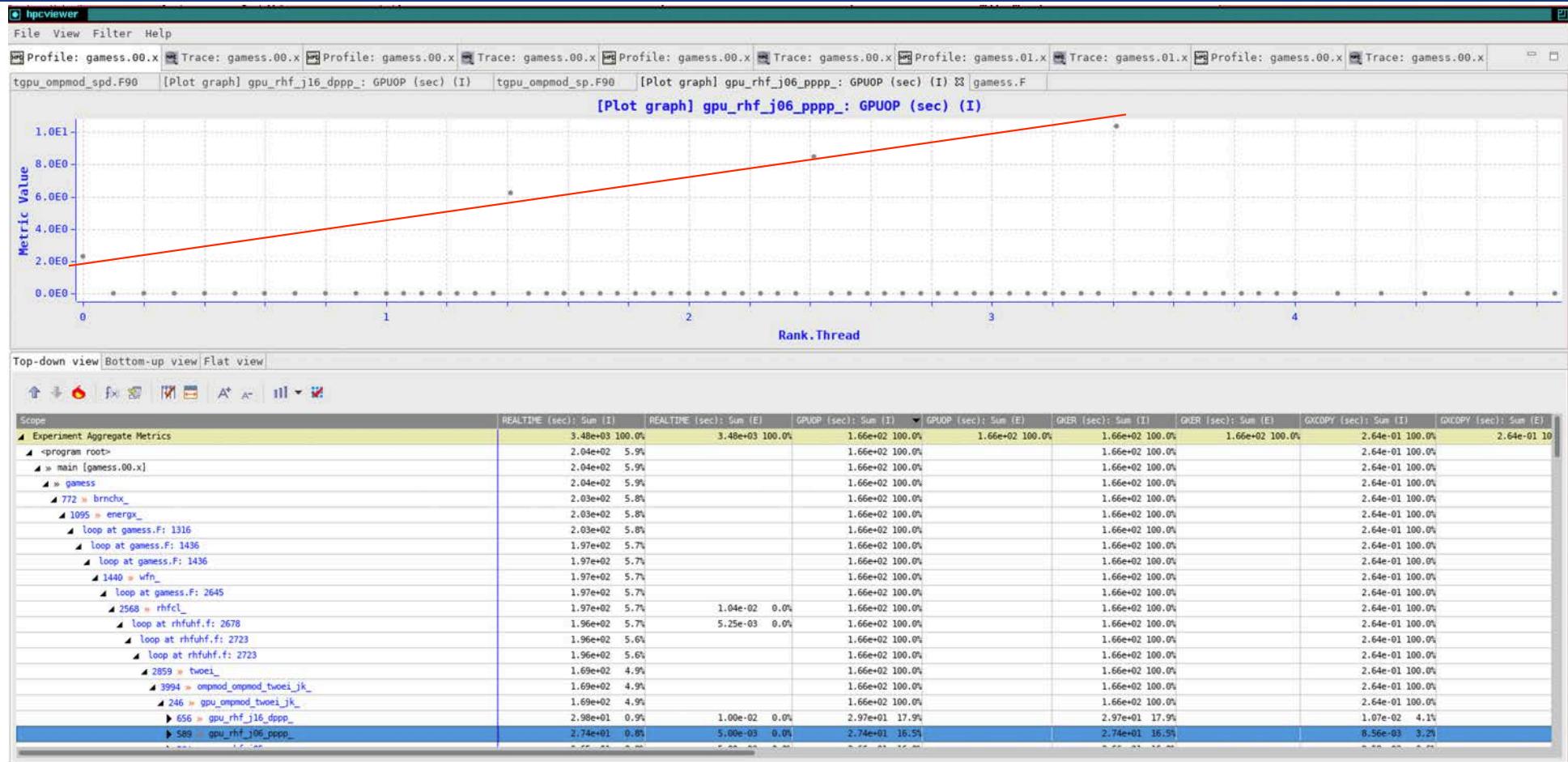
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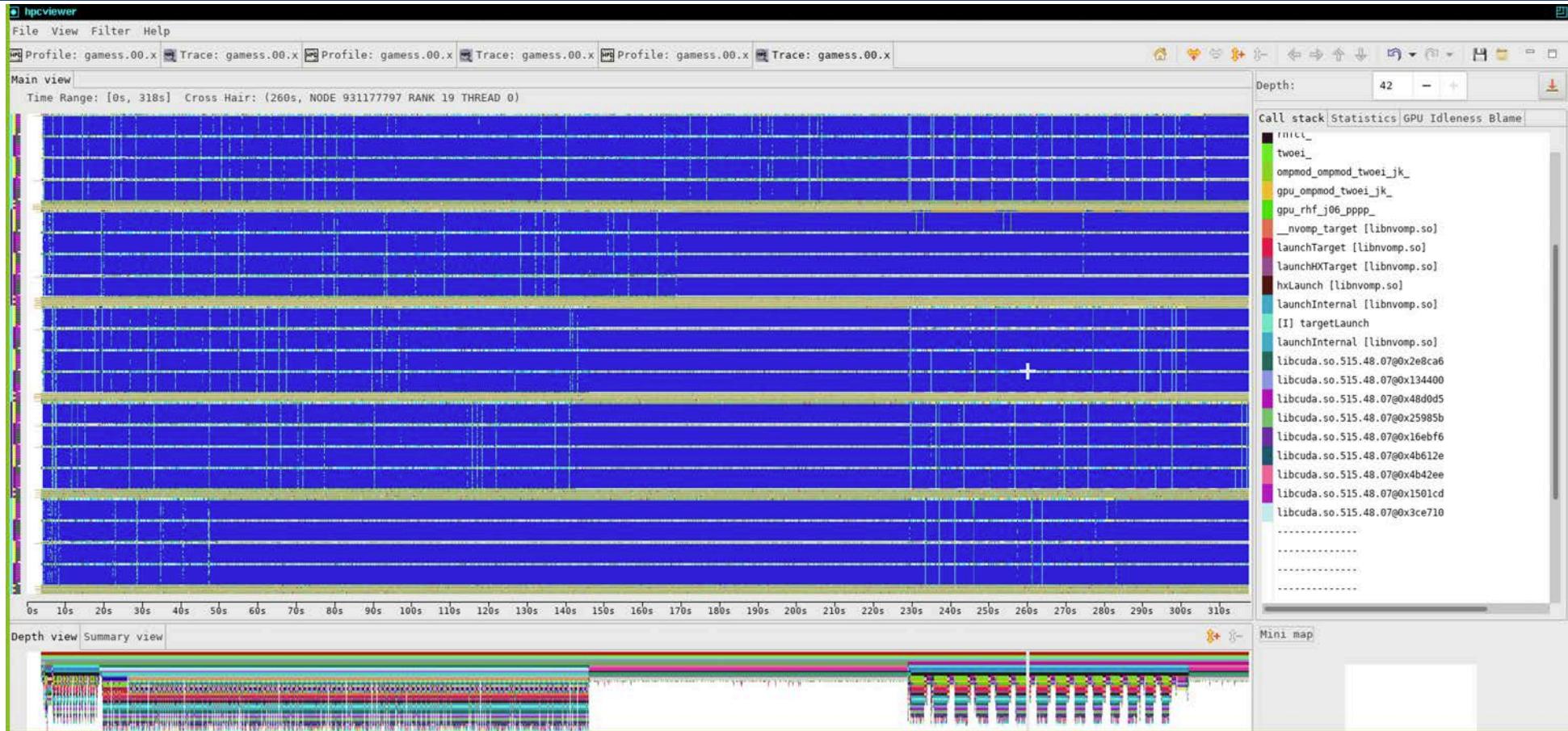
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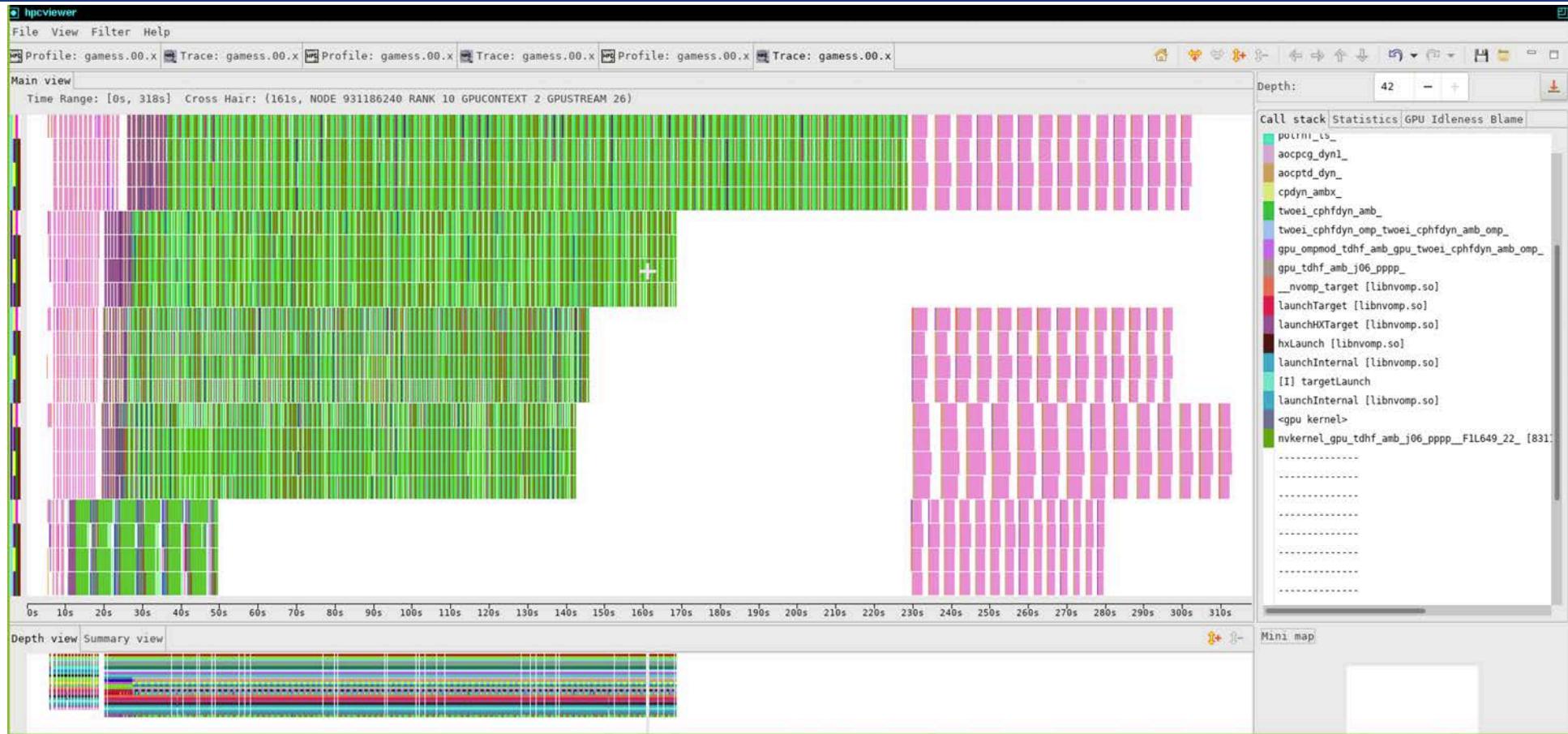
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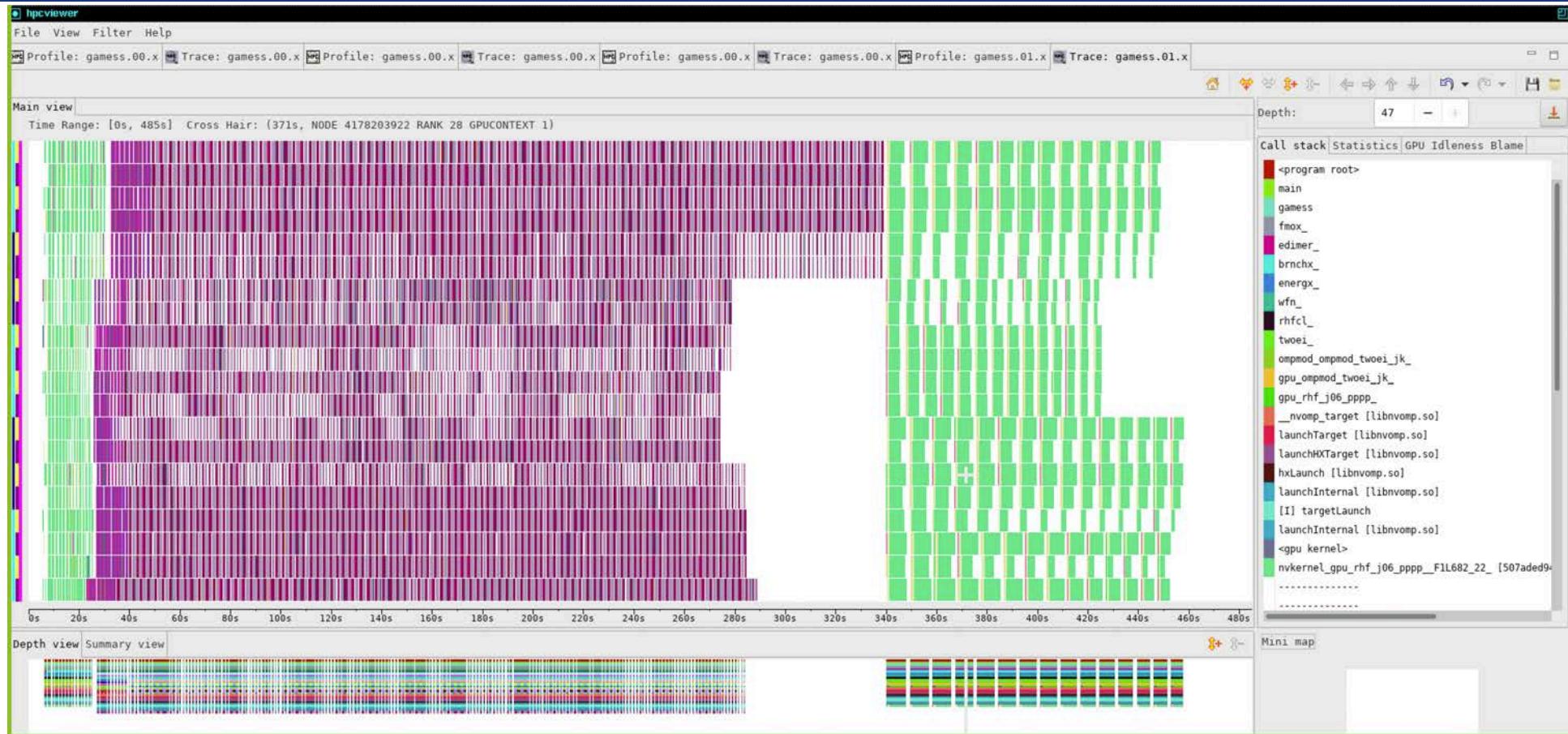
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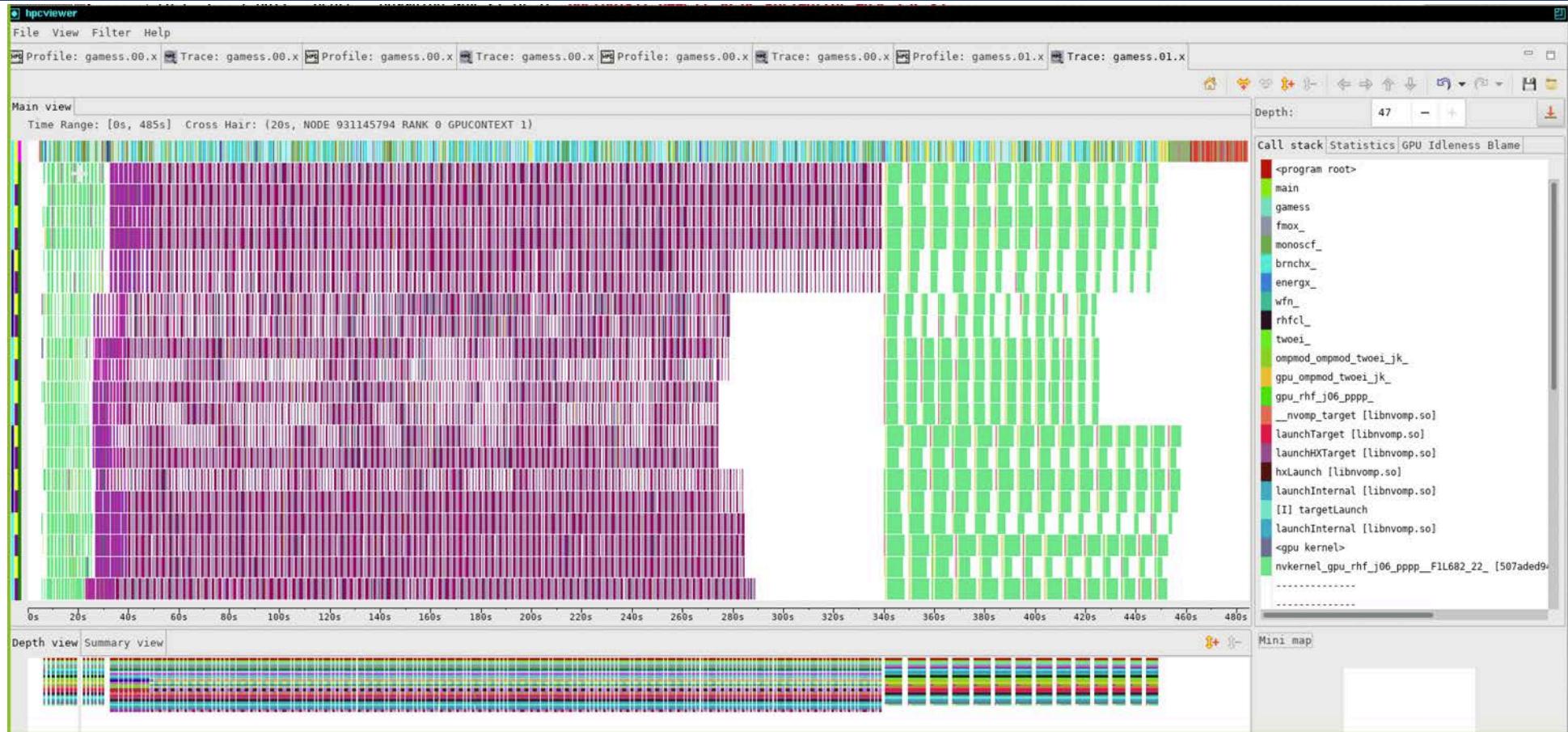


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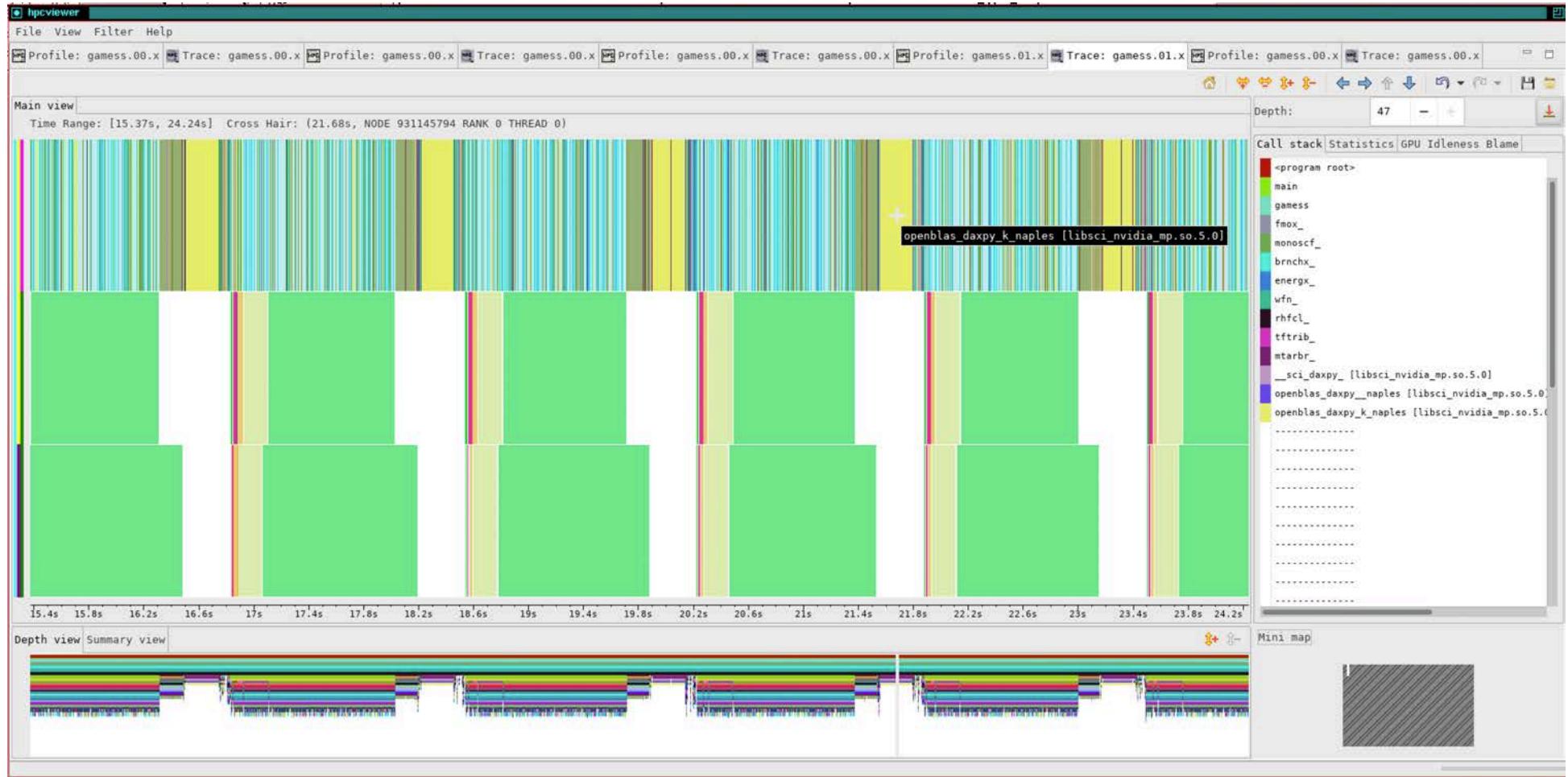
GAMESS improved with better manual distribution of work in input

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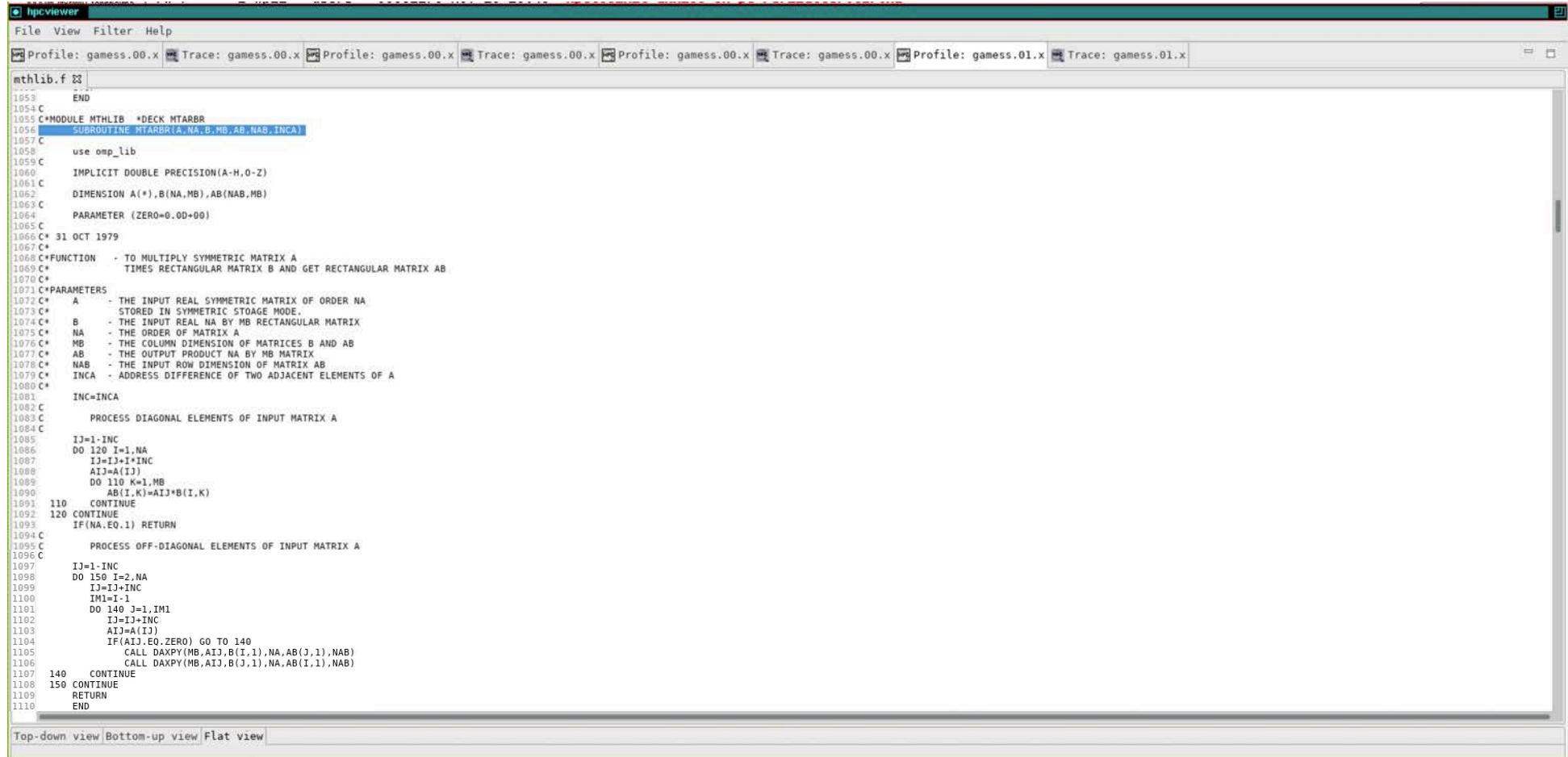


GAMESS improved adding Rank 0 Thread 0 to GPU streams

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1090              AB(I,K)=AIJ*B(I,K)
1091      110      CONTINUE
1092      120      CONTINUE
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Top-down view | Bottom-up view | Flat view

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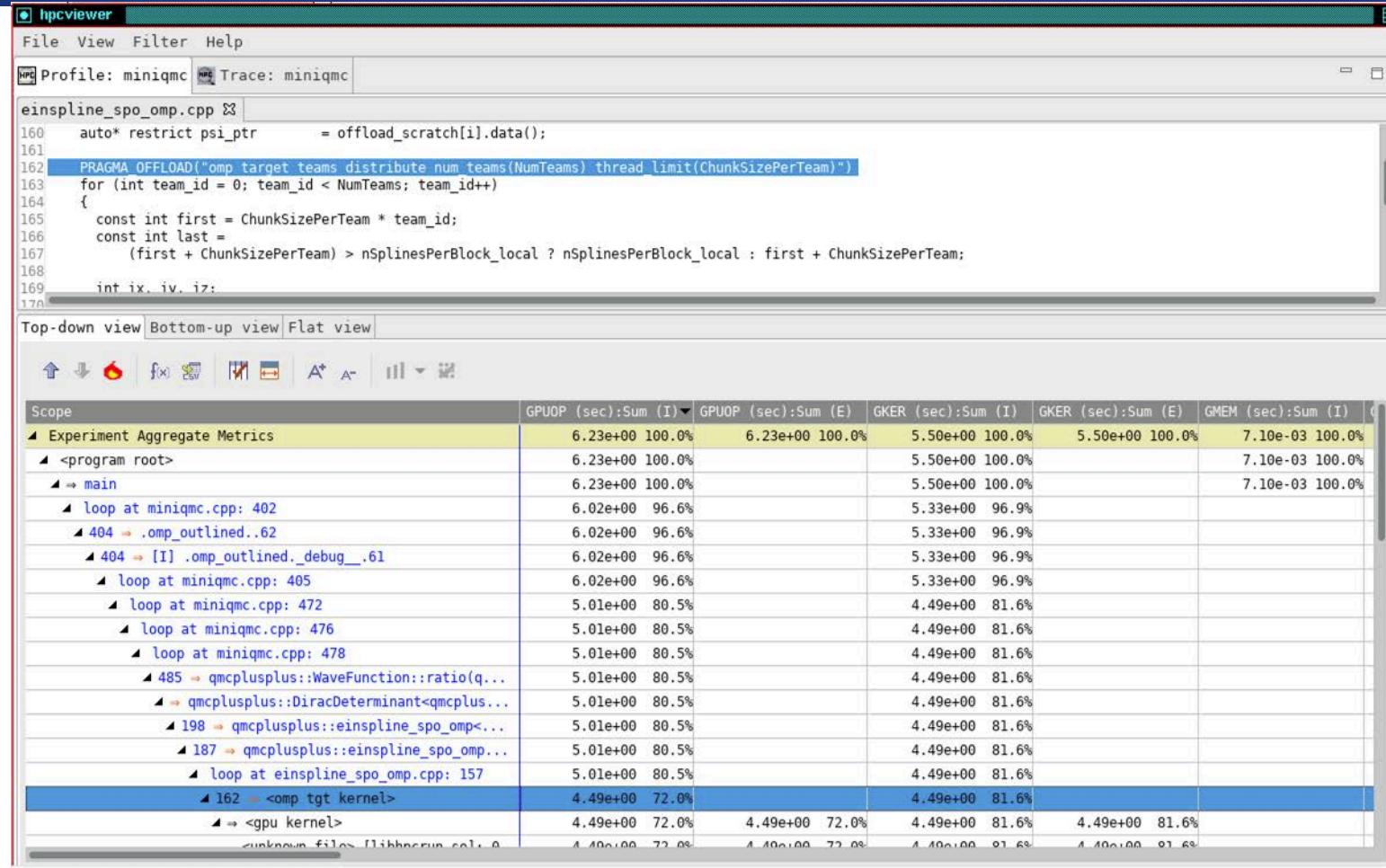
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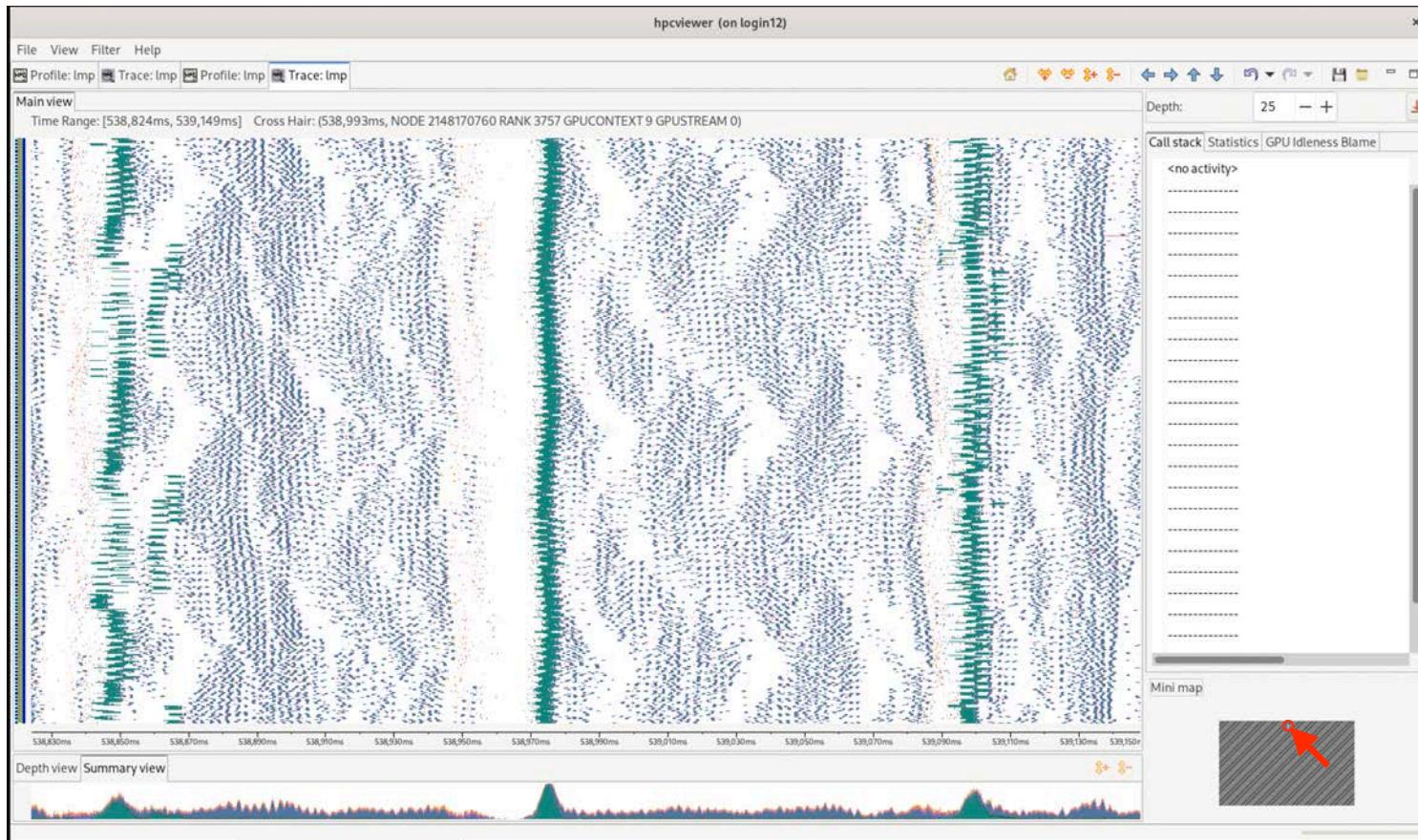
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# Measure and Attribute OpenMP Offloading



# LAMMPS on Frontier: 8K nodes, 64K MPI ranks + GPU times



# HPCToolkit Status on GPUs

## NVIDIA

- heterogeneous profiles
- GPU instruction-level execution and stalls using PC sampling
- traces

## AMD

- heterogeneous profiles
- no GPU instruction-level measurements within kernels
- measure OpenMP offloading using OMPT interface
- traces

## Intel

- heterogeneous profiles
- GPU instruction-level measurements with instrumentation; heuristic latency attribution to instructions
- measure OpenMP offloading using OMPT interface
- traces

# Ongoing Work

Enhancing measurement to identify root causes of scalability losses

- Better measurement of delays caused by GPU and communication

Improving the scalability of hpcprof-mpi

- Avoid unnecessary serialization of I/O

Adding a Python-based interface for analysis of performance results

- Python API supports arbitrary queries and analysis of profiles and traces

- Automatic analysis to identify notable features in executions

  - e.g. load imbalance, trace line equivalence classes

# HPCToolkit Resources

## Documentation

### User manual

<http://hpctoolkit.org/manual/HPCToolkit-users-manual.pdf>

### Tutorial videos

<http://hpctoolkit.org/training.html>

## Software

Download hpcviewer GUI binaries for your laptop, desktop, cluster, or supercomputer

OS: Linux, Windows, MacOS

Processors: x86\_64, aarch64, ppc64le

<http://hpctoolkit.org/download.html>

Install HPCToolkit on your Linux desktop, cluster, or supercomputer using Spack

<http://hpctoolkit.org/software-instructions.html>

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## HPC Toolkit Hands-On Directions

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# Sample Performance Databases for You to Analyze on Polaris

- Setup on polaris
  - module use /soft/perf-tools/hpctoolkit/polaris/modulefiles
  - module load hpctoolkit/default
- Data on theta and polaris: /grand/ATPESC2023/track-6-tools-hpctoolkit/data
  - CPU
    - QCMPACK - quantum Monte Carlo electronic structure calculations (early experiment)
  - GPU-accelerated
    - GAMESS - ab initio quantum chemistry
      - 1.singlegroup-unbalanced
      - 2.singlegroup-balanced
      - 3.multiplegroup-unbalanced-mtarbr
      - 4.multiplegroup-balanced
      - 5.multiplegroup-unbalanced-pc
      - 6.scale
    - PeleC - AMR Solver (AMREX) for compressible reacting flows
    - Pytorch-deepwave - GPU-accelerated reverse-time migration using Pytorch
    - Quicksilver - proxy application for dynamic Monte Carlo transport

# GPU: Profiling Quicksilver with HPCToolkit on Polaris or Perlmutter

- git clone <https://github.com/hpctoolkit/hpctoolkit-tutorial-examples>
- cd hpctoolkit-tutorial-examples/examples/gpu/quicksilver
- polaris:
  - export HPCTOOLKIT\_TUTORIAL\_PROJECTID=ATPESC2023
  - export HPCTOOLKIT\_TUTORIAL\_RESERVATION=default
  - source setup-env/polaris.sh
- perlmutter:
  - export HPCTOOLKIT\_TUTORIAL\_PROJECTID=ntrain5\_g
  - export HPCTOOLKIT\_TUTORIAL\_RESERVATION=default
  - source setup-env/perlmutter.sh
- make build
- make run
- make run-pc
- make view
- make view-pc

# CPU: Profiling AMG2013 with HPCToolkit on Theta

- git clone <https://github.com/hpctoolkit/hpctoolkit-tutorial-examples>
- cd hpctoolkit-tutorial-examples/examples/cpu/mpi+openmp/amg2013
- export HPCTOOLKIT\_TUTORIAL\_PROJECTID=ATPESC2023
- export HPCTOOLKIT\_TUTORIAL\_RESERVATION=debug-cache-quad
- source setup-env/theta.sh
- make build
- make run
  - # wait for \$COBALT\_JOBID.done to appear in your directory
- make analyze
- Alternatives
  - make view
  - hpcviewer hpctoolkit-amg2013.d