



# *Data-Centric Performance Measurement Technique for Chapel Programs*

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# Introduction

- **Why PGAS** (Partitioned Global Address Space )
  - Parallel programming is too hard
  - Unified solution for mixed mode parallelism (multi-core + multi-node)
- **Why Chapel**
  - Emerging PGAS language with productive features
  - Potential for performance improvement and few useful profilers for its end users
  - Insights for the language evolvement in the future



# Data-centric Profiling

```
int busy(int *x) {  
    // hotspot function  
    *x = complex();  
    return *x;  
}  
  
int main() {  
    for (i=0; i<n; i++) {  
        A[i] = busy(&B[i]) +  
               busy(&C[i-1]) +  
               busy(&C[i+1]);  
    }  
}
```

## Code-centric Profiling

main: 100% latency  
busy: 100% latency  
complex: 100% latency

## Data-centric Profiling

A: 100% latency  
B: 33.3% latency  
C: 66.7% latency

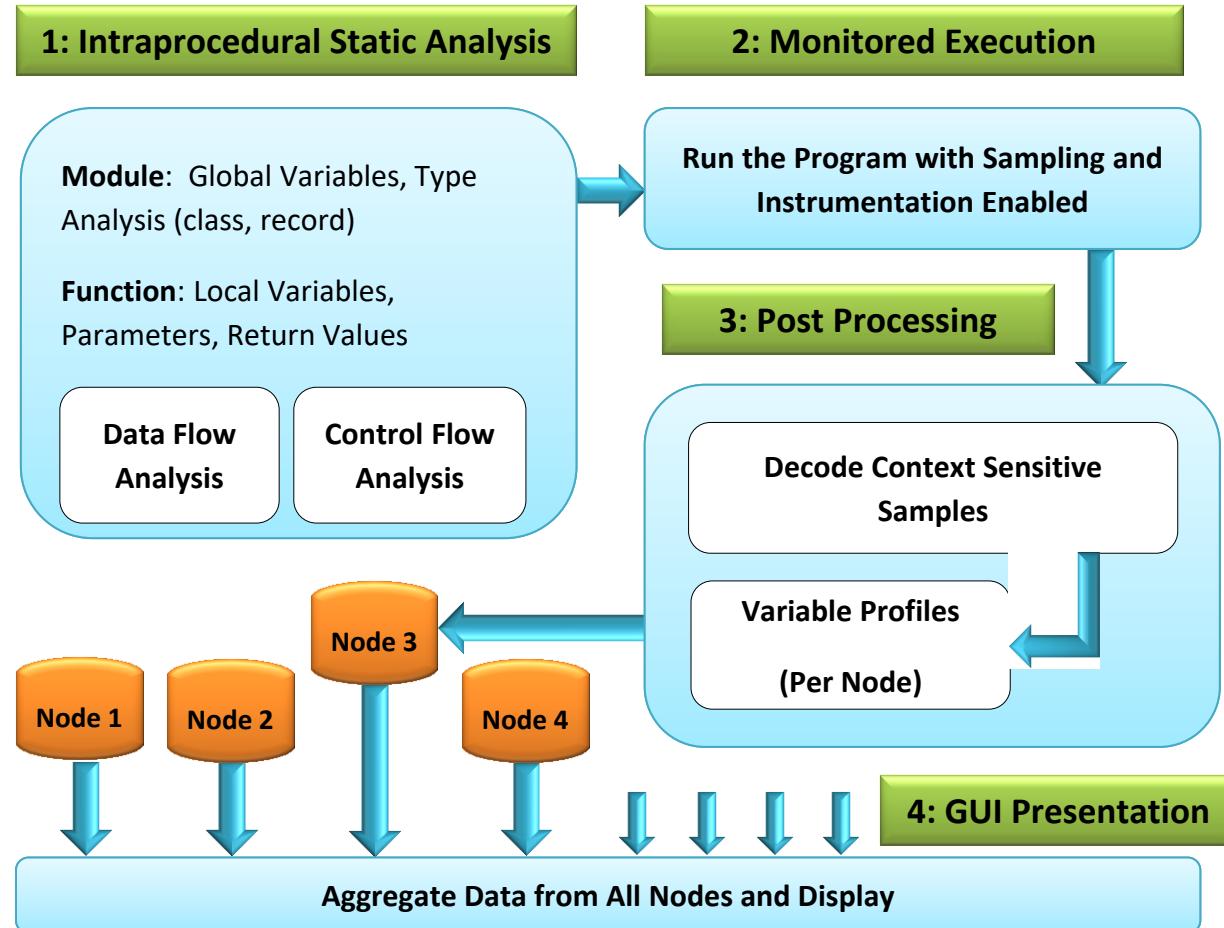


# Our Contribution

1. Data-centric profiling of PGAS programs
2. First Chapel-specific profiler
3. Profiled three benchmarks and improved the performance up to 2.3x



# Tool Framework





# Blame Definition

- 1)  $\text{BlameSet}(v) = \bigcup_{w \in W} \text{BackwardSlice}(w)$
- 2)  $\text{isBlamed}(v, s) = \{\text{if}(s \in \text{BlameSet}(v)) \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } 0\}$
- 3)  $\text{BlamePercentage}(v, S) = \frac{\sum_{s \in S} \text{isBlamed}(v, s)}{|S|}$

- $v$ : a certain variable
- $w$ : a write statement to  $v$ 's memory region
- $W$ : a set of  $w$  (all write statements to  $v$ 's memory region)
- $s$ : a sample
- $S$ : a set of samples



# Blame Calculation Example

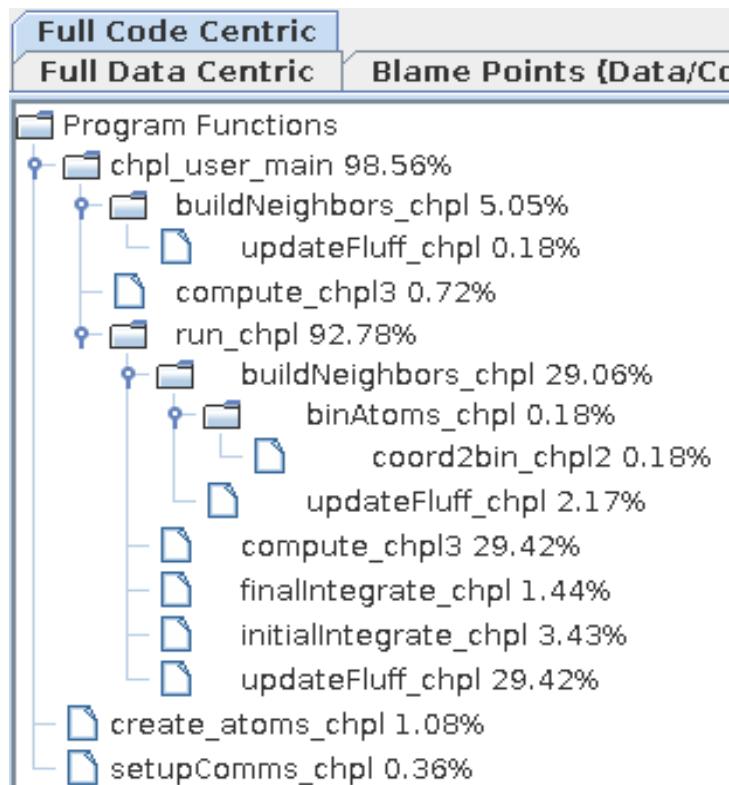
```
1      a=2;  
2      b=3;          //Sample 1  
3      if a<b       //Sample 2  
4          a=b+1;    //Sample 3  
5      c=a+b;       //Sample 4
```

| Variable Name | a              | b        | c                    |
|---------------|----------------|----------|----------------------|
| BlameSet      | 1, <b>3, 4</b> | <b>2</b> | 1, <b>2, 3, 4, 5</b> |
| Blame Samples | S2, S3         | S1       | S1, S2, S3, S4       |
| Blame         | 50%            | 25%      | 100%                 |

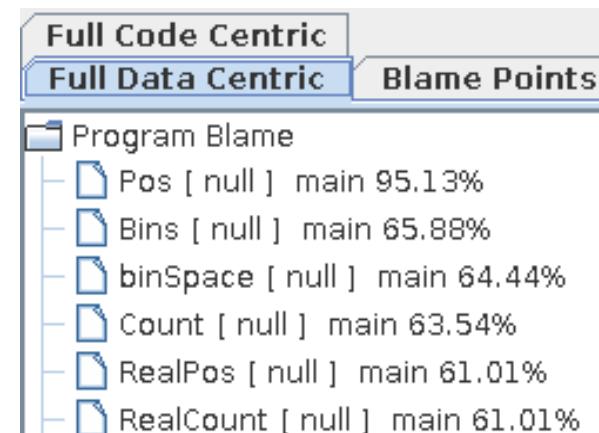


# GUI screenshots of MiniMD

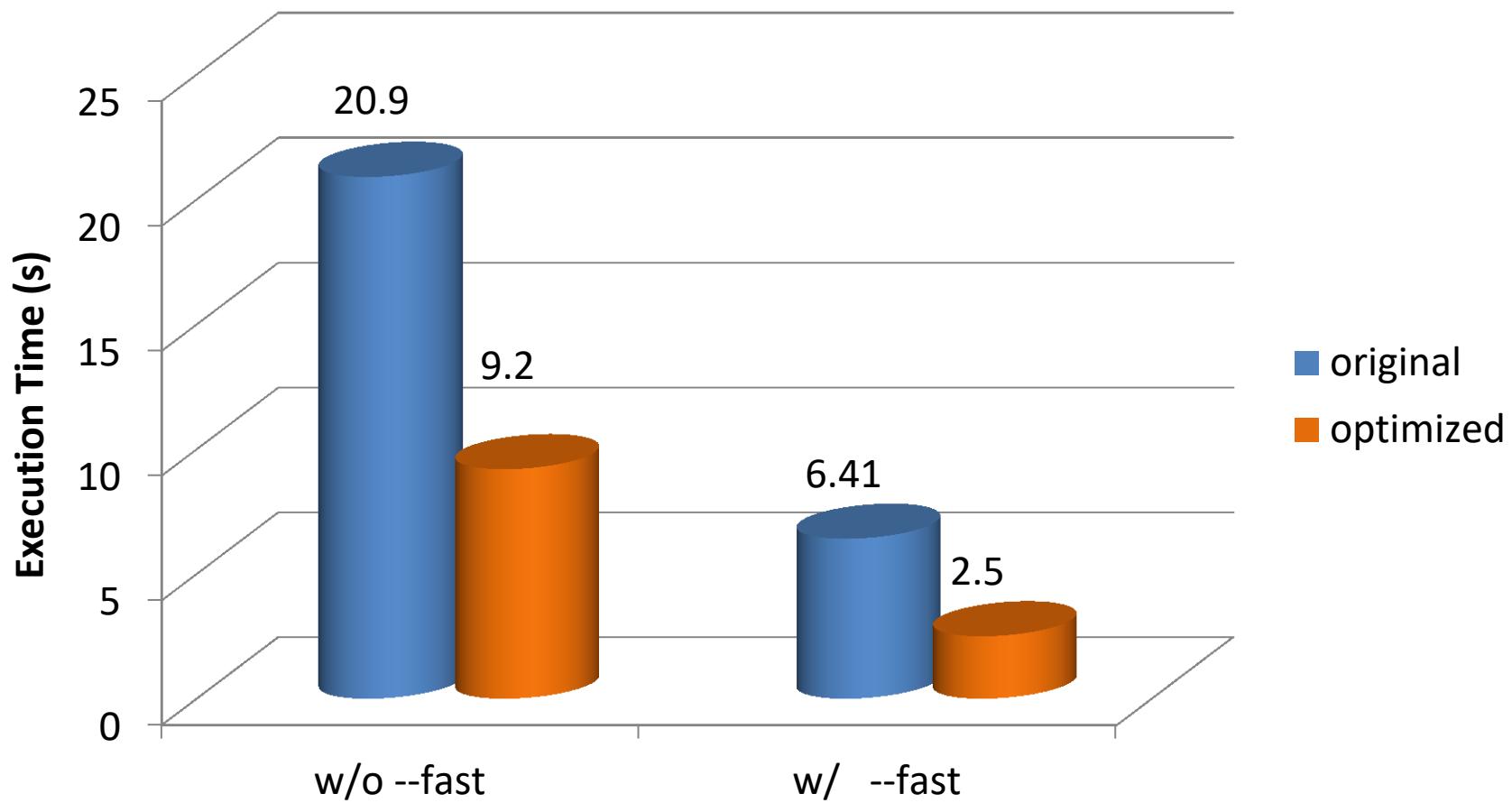
## Code-centric



## Data-centric



# Optimization Result - MiniMD



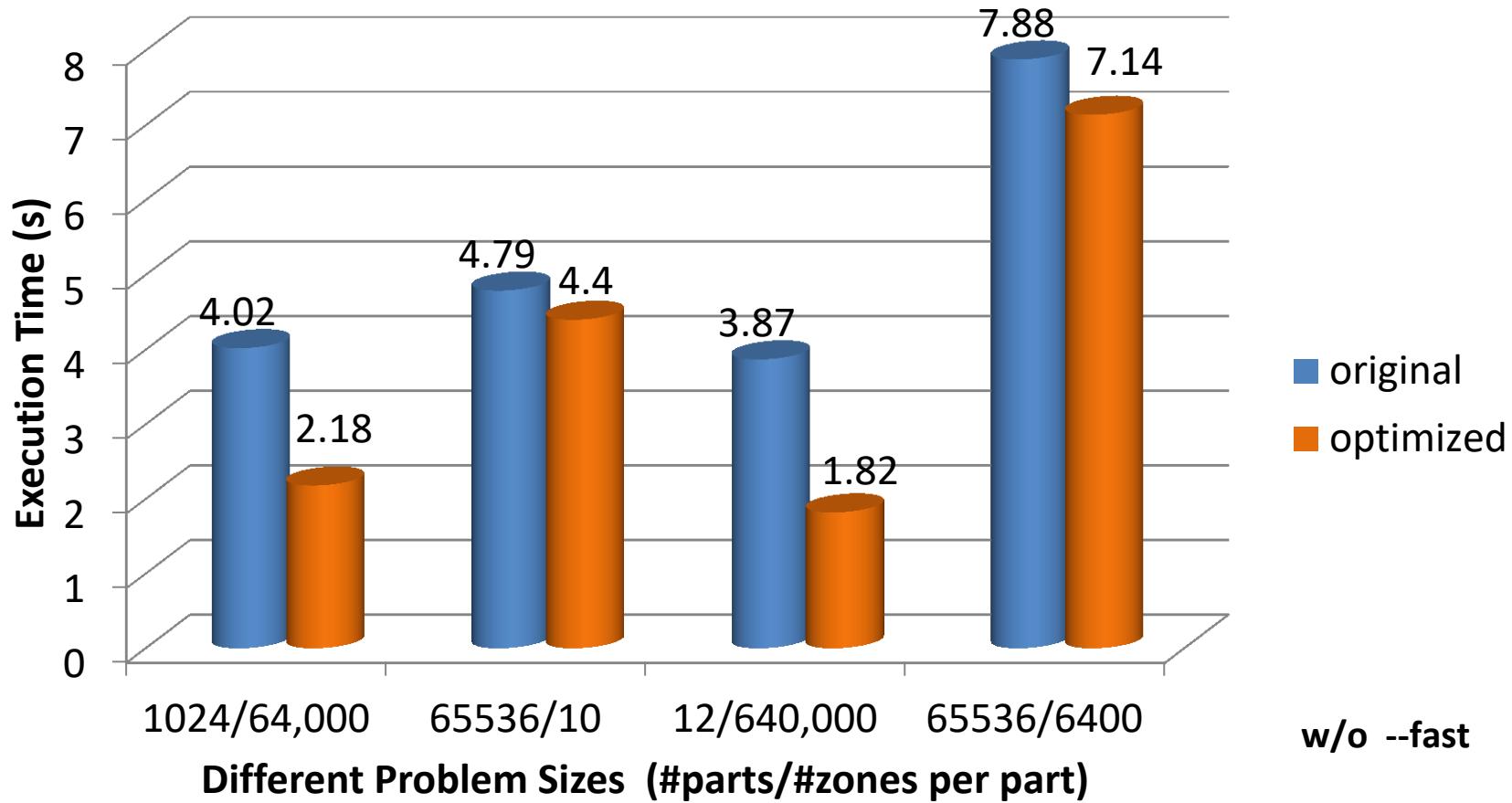


# Experiment - CLOMP

| Name  | Type              | Blame | Context     |
|---|-------------------|-------|-------------|
| <code>partArray</code>                            | [partDomain] Part | 99.5% | main        |
| <code>-&gt;partArray[i]</code>                    | Part              | 99.5% | main        |
| <code>-&gt;partArray[i].zoneArray[j]</code>       | Zone              | 99.0% | main        |
| <code>-&gt;partArray[i].zoneArray[j].value</code> | real              | 99.0% | main        |
| <code>-&gt;partArray[i].residue</code>            | real              | 12.3% | main        |
| <code>remaining_deposit</code>                    | real              | 11.8% | update_part |



# Optimization Result – CLOMP





# Experiment – LULESH

Using local file ./lulesh.

Using local file prof.log.

Total: 17947 samples

|       |       |       |       |       |                                  |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------------------------------|
| 14180 | 79.0% | 79.0% | 14180 | 79.0% | _sched_yield                     |
| 834   | 4.6%  | 83.7% | 943   | 5.3%  | coforall_fn_chpl22               |
| 694   | 3.9%  | 87.5% | 694   | 3.9%  | _pthread_setcancelstate          |
| 216   | 1.2%  | 88.7% | 216   | 1.2%  | atomic_fetch_add_explicit_real64 |
| 163   | 0.9%  | 89.6% | 164   | 0.9%  | coforall_fn_chpl138              |
| 160   | 0.9%  | 90.5% | 272   | 1.5%  | CalcElemNodeNormals_chpl         |
| 143   | 0.8%  | 91.3% | 291   | 1.6%  | coforall_fn_chpl131              |
| 123   | 0.7%  | 92.0% | 586   | 3.3%  | coforall_fn_chpl119              |
| 104   | 0.6%  | 92.6% | 104   | 0.6%  | chpl_thread_yield                |
| 95    | 0.5%  | 93.1% | 95    | 0.5%  | _init                            |
| 1     | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     | 6                                |

1. Number of profiling samples in this function
2. Percentage of profiling samples in this function
3. Cumulative percentage of samples
4. Number of samples in this function and its callees
5. Percentage of samples in this function and its callees
6. Function name



# Experiment – LULESH

| Name             | Type           | Blame | Context                      |
|------------------|----------------|-------|------------------------------|
| <b>hgfv</b>      | 8*real         | 30.8% | CalcFBHourglassForceForElems |
| <b>hgfx</b>      | 8*real         | 29.5% | CalcFBHourglassForceForElems |
| <b>hgfy</b>      | 8*real         | 29.2% | CalcFBHourglassForceForElems |
| <b>shz</b>       | real           | 27.9% | CalcElemFBHourglassForce     |
| <b>hz</b>        | 4*real         | 27.6% | CalcElemFBHourglassForce     |
| <b>shx</b>       | real           | 26.9% | CalcElemFBHourglassForce     |
| <b>shy</b>       | real           | 26.6% | CalcElemFBHourglassForce     |
| <b>hx</b>        | 4*real         | 26.6% | CalcElemFBHourglassForce     |
| <b>hy</b>        | 4*real         | 26.6% | CalcElemFBHourglassForce     |
| <b>hourgam</b>   | 8*(4*real)     | 25.0% | CalcFBHourglassForceForElems |
| <b>determ</b>    | [Elems] real   | 15.7% | CalcVolumeForceForElems      |
| <b>b_x</b>       | 8*real         | 9.7%  | IntegrateStressForElems      |
| <b>b_z</b>       | 8*real         | 9.7%  | IntegrateStressForElems      |
| <b>b_y</b>       | 8*real         | 8.7%  | IntegrateStressForElems      |
| <b>dvdx(y/z)</b> | [Elems] 8*real | 8.3%  | CalcHourglassControlForElems |
| <b>hourmodx</b>  | real           | 5.8%  | CalcFBHourglassForceForElems |
| <b>hourmody</b>  | real           | 5.1%  | CalcFBHourglassForceForElems |
| <b>hourmodz</b>  | real           | 4.8%  | CalcFBHourglassForceForElems |



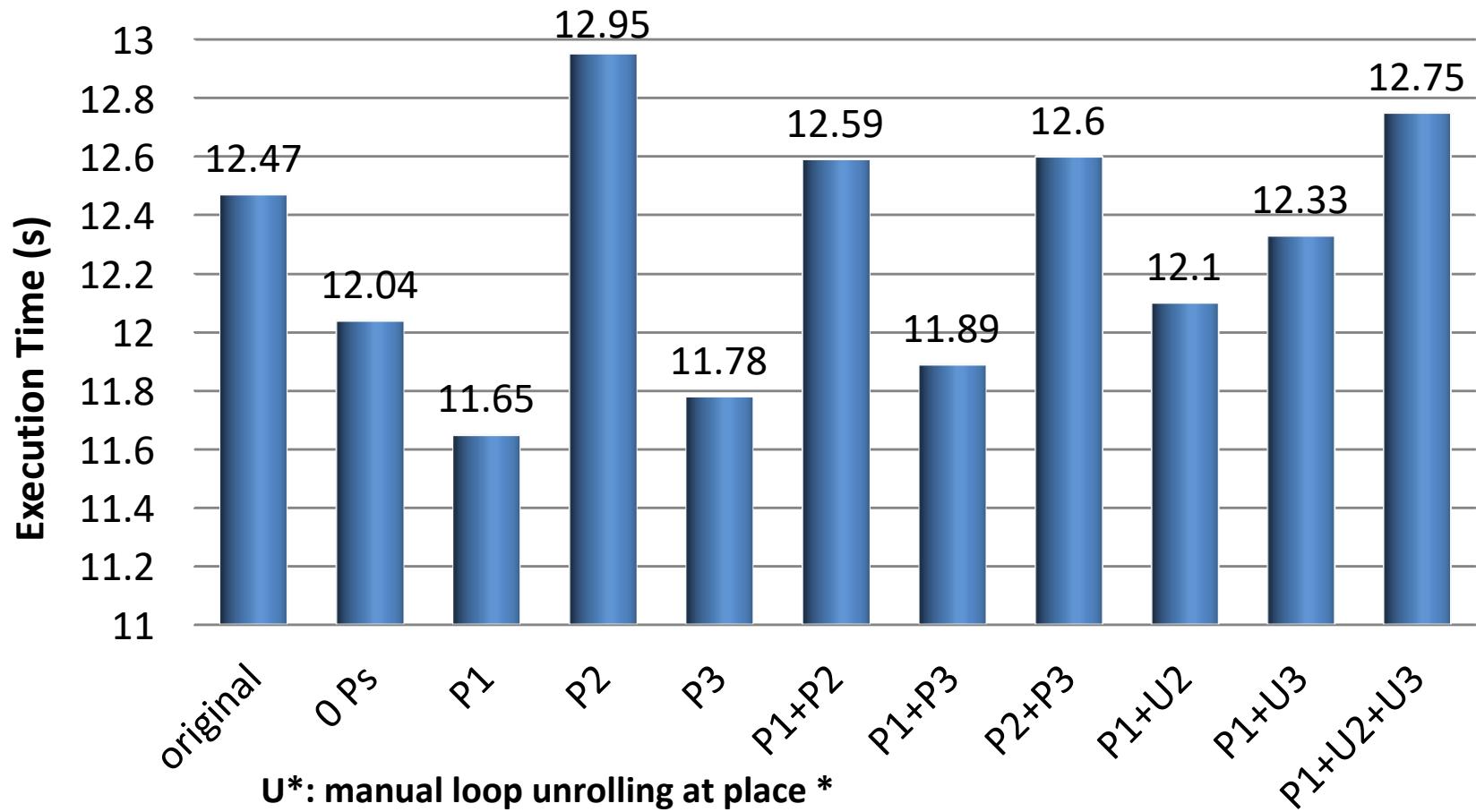
# Optimization Example - Loop

```
for param i in 1..4 {      //P1
    var hourmodx, hourmody, hourmodz: real;
    // reduction
    for param j in 1..8 {      //P2
        hourmodx += x8n[eli][j] * gammaCoef[i][j];
        hourmody += y8n[eli][j] * gammaCoef[i][j];
        hourmodz += z8n[eli][j] * gammaCoef[i][j];
    }
    for param j in 1..8 {      //P3
        hourgam[j][i] = gammaCoef[i][j] - volinv *
            (dvdx[eli][j] * hourmodx +
             dvdy[eli][j] * hourmody +
             dvdz[eli][j] * hourmodz);
    }
}
```

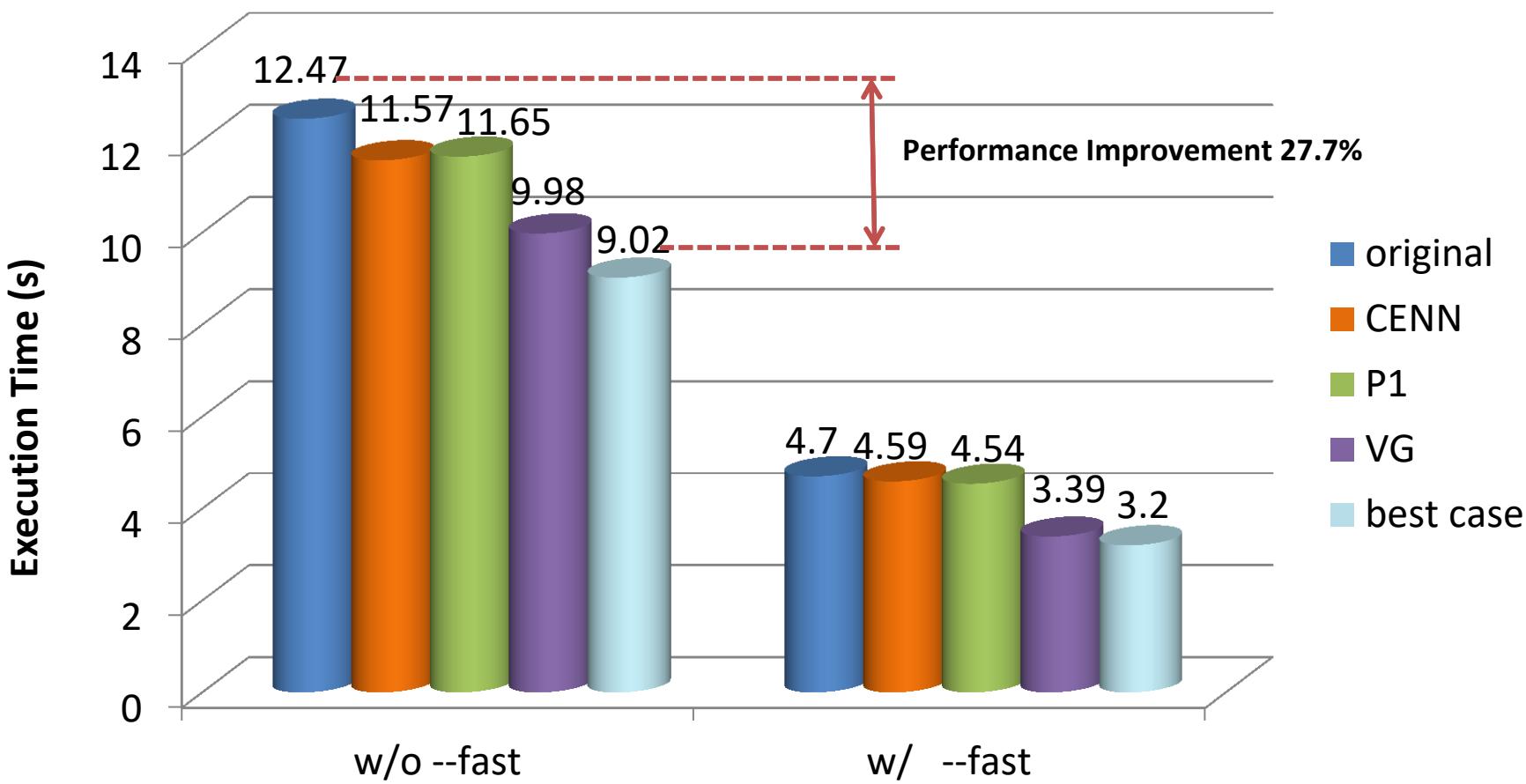
Code Snapshot of LULESH Hot Spot



# Results for different loop optimizations



# Optimization Result – LULESH





# Updates & Future Work

- **Updates:**
  - Built a prototype for multi-node Chapel
  - Optimized runtime instrumentation
  - Improved Graphic-User-Interface
- **Future work:**
  - Large-size problems on distributed systems
  - Further application of “Blame” in other fields



# Conclusion

- “Blame” application on PGAS programs
- First Chapel-specific profiler
- Benchmark optimization

