

Developing a Proxy Application Based on a Parallel Pangenome Mapping Tool

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Scientific Applications are hard to profile...

- Complex inputs, many dependencies, complex code.
 - Testing **software optimizations** is **hard**. •
 - Hard to port the code to different architectures.

We need some way to address such challenges



Identify Main Kernel

Proxy App

Proxy Applications

Lightweight representation of real workloads that ease algorithmic exploration, analysis, optimization, and even porting.



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Genome References

- Pangenome references bring more computational complexity
- Map reads can be harder to do than in single reference
 - Much more data to verify
- Giraffe is one of the first mapping tool for pangenome
 - From VG Toolkit



• First to have similar performance to single reference mappings



Many dependencies



Complex Source-Code



Complex Input

Giraffe Mapping and VG

- VG¹ is a toolkit to help in the **alignment** and **mapping** of **DNA sequences**
 - Variation Graphs (vg) is a succinct encoding of the short-reading sequences of many genomes
- **Giraffe** is the tool that makes fast, haplotype-based **mapping** to a **pangenome** graph
- They use Graph BWT (GBWT)
 - Multi-string FM-index for **indexing** large collections of similar paths
- VG has a **big source-code** and the tools inside it **share code and data structures**
 - More than 50k lines of code
 - Such dependencies make hard to test different computational strategies

Methodology



Profiling and Kernel Identification





Profiling

gapless_extender represents more than **60%** of the application's runtime in all threads.



Giraffe

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- ~50k lines of code
- ~350 source-files
- ~50 library dependencies
- Difficult to compile
- More than 60s to compile
- Hard to modify

- ~1k lines of code
- 2 source-files
- 3 library dependencies
- Easy to compile
- Around 10s to compile
- Easy to modify and play with different strategies

Initial Results

- First working version produce results with high accuracy
- Reproduce speedup values parallelizing with *OpenMP Dynamic Scheduler*



Pangenome Proxy Application

- Pangenome Proxy App can be a valuable tool for testing new strategies of performance improvement focused on short-read mappings to pangenomes
 - Parallelization strategies, workload characterization, hardware acceleration, etc
- In the near future:
 - Validate proxy's memory access pattern is representative of original application
 - Perform a more **complete workload characterization** of the mapping process
 - Propose different parallelization strategies
 - Run on different architectures (GPUs, FPGAs, etc)

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data

Preprocess