



Regression Testing on Petaflop Computational Resources

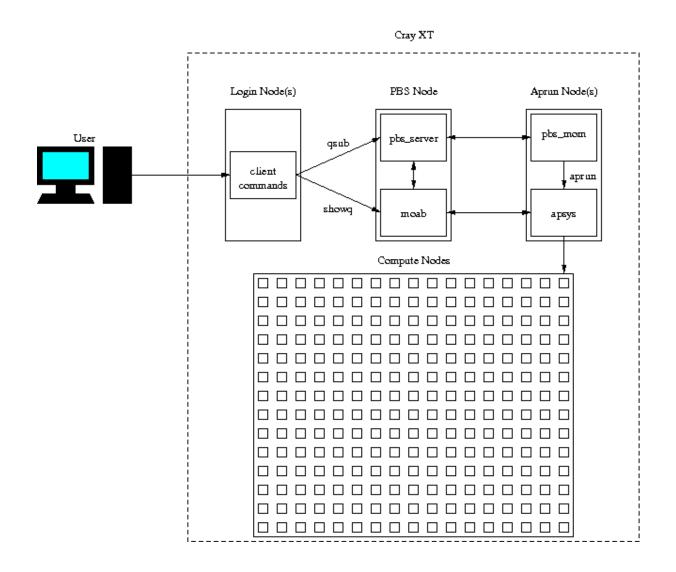
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What? and Why?

- What is regression testing?
 - Regression testing is any type of software testing that seeks to uncover software errors by partially retesting a modified program or system.
- Why should we do regression testing?
 - To track how the performance of a system changes overtime.
 - To test the system after maintenance to make sure it is ready for production.



Depth of testing (Where?)





Automate Testing

- Regression testing can be a labor intensive task.
 - Testing how scaling curves change for various applications over time
 - Comparing recent test results to previous results;
 while performing maintenance on a system.
- Rerunning test periodically to build up regression data over time.
- Store result data in a convent format for reporting.
- Automatically generate plots and reports.

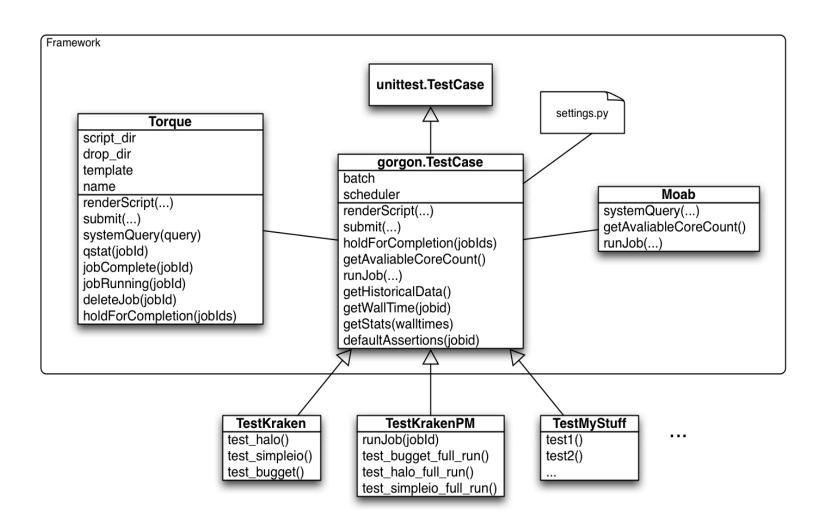


The Framework

- Automates the role of the user
 - Test specification
 - PBS script rendering
 - Job(s) submission
 - Test assertions based on output or end state
- Post processing and report generation automation less trivial since they are application specific.



Framework Architecture





PBS Script Rendering Parameters

Name	Description	Default
size	The number of processors for the job to run on.	12
machine	The name of the machine that the test will be ran on.	None
name	The name of the executable.	None
project	The name of the project to charge the job too.	None
walltime	The walltime limit for the job.	00:10:00
pbs_additions	A raw string for specifying custom PBS variables.	Empty String
env_vars	A raw string for specifying environment variables.	Empty String
preamble	A raw string for specifying a preamble of code that is inserted into the PBS script before the aprun command is issued.	Empty String
aprun_options	Options for the aprun command.	"-n \$PBS_NNODES"
options	Options for the application's executable.	
profile	Boolean that controls whether or not to look for a profile from FPMPI.	True



How does it work?

Halo

mmccarty

400938.nid00016

```
class TestKraken(unittest.TestCase):
   def setUp(self):
       self.batch = Torque(script_dir, drop_dir)
   def test_halo(self):
       jobids = []
       for size in range(1056, 16000, 1056)[:2]:
           self.batch.render_script(size
                                              = size
                                              = "halo"
                                                                                 Batch Scripts
                                   , walltime = "00:10:00"
           jobids.append(self.batch.submit())
       self.batch.hold_for_completion(jobids)
mmccarty@krakenpf6(XT5):/lustre/scratch/mmccarty/regression_tests> python ~/sandbox/gorgon/regression_tests/trunk/test.py
Running tests...
Ran 1 test in 153.490s
mmccarty@krakenpf6(XT5):/lustre/scratch/mmccarty/regression_tests> \Pi
mmccarty@krakenpf6(XT5):~> qstat | grep mmccarty
400937.nid00016
                          Halo
                                                                  0 R medium
                                           mmccarty
```

00:00:00 R medium



Assertions

```
def test_bugget(self):
   jobids = []
   for size in range(1056, 16000, 1056)[:2]:
       self.batch.renderScript(size
                                        = size
                             , walltime = "00:15:00"
                             , options = -f"
                             , profile = False
       jobids.append(self.batch.submit())
   self.batch.holdForCompletion(jobids)
   jobs_failed = []
               = False
    verbose
   for jobid in jobids:
       output = open("Bugget.o" + jobid, 'r')
       fail = False
       for l in output.readlines():
           if "3.0-sigma" in l:
               line_data = l.split()
               if line_data[1] != "0:":
                   jobs_failed.append(jobid)
                   fail = True
                   print "JobID %s: %s processes outside of 3.0 sigma." % (jobid, line_data[1].replace(":", ''))
           if "rank" in I and fail and verbose:
               print l.replace('\n', '')
   self.assertTrue(len(jobs_failed) == 0)
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Assertion from command line



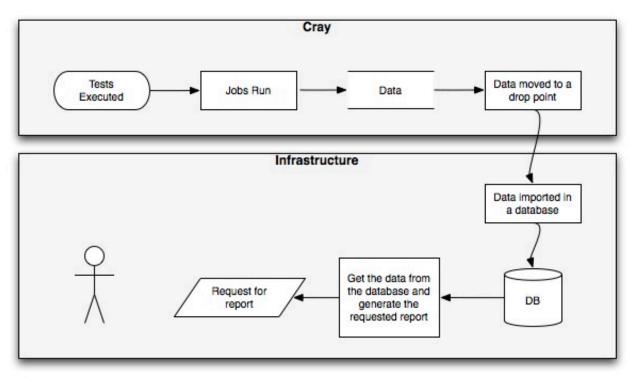
Running tests

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mmccarty@krakenpf7(XT5):/lustre/scratch/mmccarty/regression tests> python ~/sandbox/gorgon/regression tests/trunk/TestKrakenPM.py
Running tests...
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ERROR: test halo full run ( main .TestKrakenPM)
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Traceback (most recent call last):
 File "/nics/a/home/mmccarty/sandbox/gorgon/regression tests/trunk/TestKrakenPM.py", line 37, in test halo full run
TypeError: exceptions must be classes, instances, or strings (deprecated), not NoneType
FAIL: test_simpleio_full_run (_ main_.TestKrakenPM)
Traceback (most recent call last):
 File "/nics/a/home/mmccarty/sandbox/gorgon/regression tests/trunk/TestKrakenPM.py", line 52, in test simpleio full run
   self.assertTrue(False)
AssertionError
Ran 3 tests in 2.922s
FAILED (failures=1, errors=1)
mmccarty@krakenpf7(XT5):/lustre/scratch/mmccarty/regression tests>
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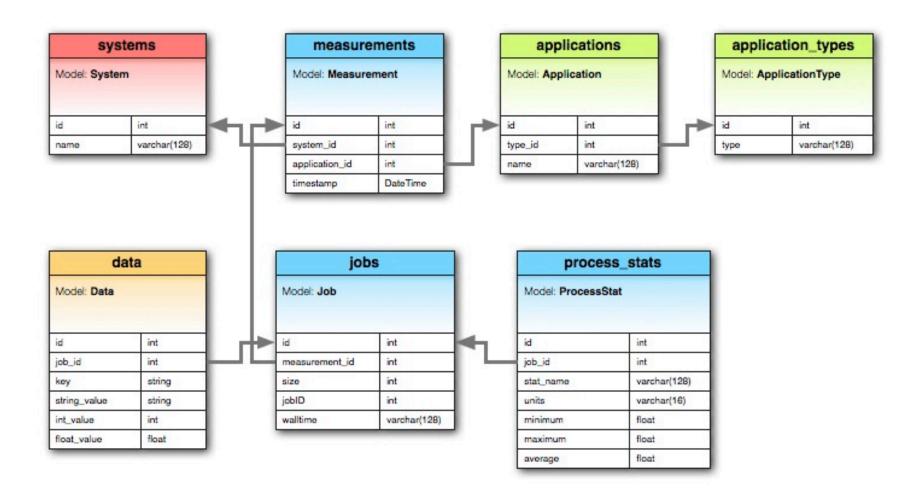
Post Processing

- Some tests may require additional post processing
- "Standard" post processing can be automated





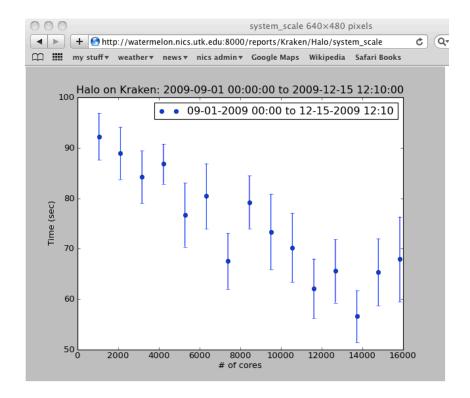
Database Structure





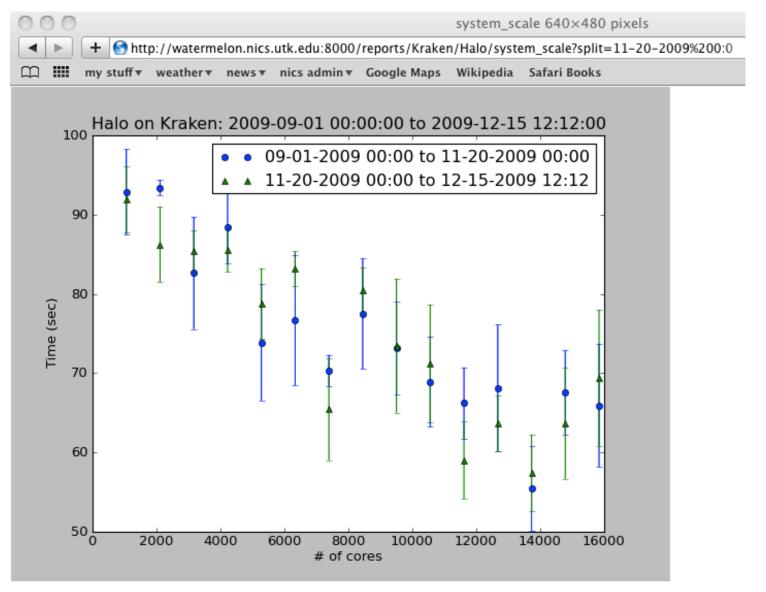
Plotting results

- Plots viewed in a RESTful web interface written in Django
- Plots are generated on the fly using data stored in the database





Plotting (continued)





Thank You

