ECE571: Advanced Microprocessor Design – Homework 3 Spring 2017

Due: Thursday 9 February 2017, 11:00am

1. Background

- For this assignment, log into the Haswell machine just like in HW#1.
- Create a document that contains the data and answers described in the sections below.

2. Measuring Power using perf/RAPL

• Run the following 4 benchmarks, gathering the Energy and time values from perf for energy-cores, energy-gpu, energy-pkg and energy-dram. Use these values to calculate the average power for each. Note: the backslashes are a line-continuation character. Leave them in if you are cutting/pasting in one big chunk, but leave them out if you are hand-typing the commands.

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- sleep
  perf stat -a -e power/energy-cores/,power/energy-gpu/,\
  power/energy-pkg/,power/energy-ram/ sleep 10
- stream
  perf stat -a -e power/energy-cores/,power/energy-gpu/,\
  power/energy-pkg/,power/energy-ram/ \
  /opt/ece571/stream-5.10/stream_c
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matrix-matrix multiply

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perf stat -a -e power/energy-cores/,power/energy-gpu/,\
power/energy-pkg/,power/energy-ram/ \
/opt/ece571/matrix_multiply/matrix_multiply_atlas
```

- iozone

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perf stat -a -e power/energy-cores/,power/energy-gpu/,\
power/energy-pkg/,power/energy-ram/ \
/opt/ece571/iozone3_417/src/current/iozone -a -g 256k
```

- Make a table with the 4 rows being cores, gpu, pkg, ram and the columns being the 4 benchmarks, list the Energy from each.
- Make another table like above, but instead of Energy use the Energy and time values to report the average Power.
- Answer the following questions:
 - (a) Which benchmark causes the cores to use the highest average power?
 - (b) Which benchmark causes the RAM to use the highest average power?
 - (c) Did any of the benchmarks use GPU power? Why not?

- 3. Calculating Energy-Delay and Energy-Delay-Squared
 - For this problem we will use the equake_l version of equake that is from the SPECOMP2001 (SPEC OpenMP) benchmark suite (note: that's a lowercase L, not a 1, in the benchmark name). It is a version of the equake benchmark parallelized with OpenMP directives so that it can take advantage of multiple cores.
 - Run the benchmark with 1, 2, 4, and 8 threads, measuring the energy-cores RAPL counter. The command line for doing this with 1 thread is (all one one line):

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env OMP_NUM_THREADS=1 perf stat -a -e power/energy-cores/ \
/opt/ece571/equake_l.specomp/equake_l \
< /opt/ece571/equake l.specomp/inp.in</pre>
```

Change the OMP_NUM_THREADS value to change the number of threads. You probably want to make sure no one else is logged in and running these tests (use w or top to check) at the same time you are, otherwise you can affect each other's results. Note: running the benchmark will take a while (up to a few minutes).

- Create a table that for each thread count (1,2,4,8) shows the elapsed time, the Energy in Joules, the Energy-Delay value, and the Energy-Delay-Squared value.
- Answer the following questions:
 - (a) Which thread count has the fastest time?
 - (b) Which thread count has the lowest energy?
 - (c) Which thread count has the lowest energy-delay?
 - (d) Which thread count has the lowest energy-delay²?
 - (e) How well does this benchmark scale when adding additional threads? What could explain the scaling behavior you see?
- 4. Submitting your work.
 - Create the document containing the data as well as answers to the questions asked.
 - Please make sure your name appears in the document.
 - e-mail the file to me by the homework deadline.