Zero Load Predictive Model

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Many Possible Configuration 3 Stacked Layers with 6x6 nodes Two hotspots with placement constraints 5 types of processing units/nodes ~ 5 · 10⁸⁰ possibilities























Can we find the

best configuration

without simulation



Zero Load Predictive Model is a static model and predicts, which configuration has better performance under load.

Average distance



n x n Mesh for uniform random traffic:

$$\overline{H} = \frac{2}{3}n$$

Average distance

> Average distance depends on the probability, p(i,j), of a packet to be sent to a destination and the actual source-destination Manhattan distance in terms of hops.



Average Distance for Uniform Random Traffic

With self-traffic

With no self-traffic:

> n-dimensional mesh
$$\overline{H} = \frac{n}{3} \left(k - \frac{1}{k} \right)$$

with radix k

$$\overline{H} = \frac{n}{3}k$$



Uniform Random Traffic URT



Injection rate (packets per cycle per node)

Spatial Distribution

> Each source node injects a packet that is sent to at least one destination based on a pre-defined patterns such as URT, Bit-reverse, Bit-complement....

> The source address (S) is in the form of bits (b) expressed as follows

$$\hat{\mathbf{S}} = \boldsymbol{b}_m \, \boldsymbol{b}_{m-1} \, \boldsymbol{b}_{m-2} \, \dots \, \boldsymbol{b}_3 \, \boldsymbol{b}_2 \, \boldsymbol{b}_1$$

The destination is a mirror image of the source address.
 The average distance is the average of the sum of individual source-destination distances in all directions.

$$\hat{H}_{br,xyz} = |Z_x - \hat{S}_x| + |Z_y - \hat{S}_y| + |Z_z - \hat{S}_z|$$
$$\hat{H}_{br}(N) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x \in N} \sum_{y \in N} \sum_{z \in N} \hat{H}_{br,xyz}$$

S – Source adress
 2 – reversed destination



Bit-Complement

A destination address is set as the 1's complement of each bit of the source address

> For a given 2D and 3D network the average distance is expressed as follows respectively.

$$\hat{\mathrm{H}}_{bc,2D}(N) = \frac{x+y}{2}$$

$$\hat{H}_{bc,3D}(N) = \frac{x+y+z}{2}$$

Bit-Complement



> Under a local traffic pattern, packet destinations are preferred for destinations (D) close to the source.

> The variation in level of closeness (localization) is represented with locality coefficient alpha, (α). When $\alpha = 0$ it means the level of localization is low (in this case localization does not exist)Output

$$\hat{H}_{\alpha,xyz} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{\hat{S}=0}^{N} \sum_{\tilde{D}=0}^{N} \frac{|\hat{S}-\check{D}|^{\alpha+1}}{\sum_{\tilde{D}=0}^{N} |\hat{S}-\check{D}|^{-\alpha}}$$

Effect of Localization Coefficient on Traffic Performance



Avg. hop count with self-similar Local-alpha, bias, $\beta = 0.5$



Temporal Distribution (B-Model)

> Networks show a pattern of selfsimilarity in real traffic scenario. > In a Bursty model, at any point, x(i*n/2d), in a time series, the number of packets that a node injects to the network is expressed as a function of the bias, β , the division depth, d, and the injection rate, y.



$$x\left(i\frac{n}{2^{d}}\right) = \left(\{\beta, 1-\beta\}\right)^{d}\left(\gamma n - \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} x(j\frac{n}{2^{d}})\right)$$













Avg. hop count with self-similar URT, bias $\beta = 0.1$







Injection rate (packets per cycle per node)



Bit-Complement

Avg. hop count with self-similar Bit-complement, bias, $\beta = 0.1$



Bit-Complement

Avg. hop count with self-similar Bit-complement, bias, $\beta = 0.3$



Avg. hop count with self-similar Local-alpha, bias, $\beta = 0.3$





Hotspots

> The placement of hotspot nodes in the network affects the overall network performance.







Hotspots

Avg. hop count, self-similar hotspot 6x6x6







Avg. hop count, self-similar hotspot 8x8x8





Avg. hop count, self-similar hotspot 10x10x10



Configuration

Number of cores	Memory access	Off-chip access	With other cores
A=18	7.14%	7.14%	85.71%
B=18	14.29%	14.29%	71.43%
C=18	21.43%	21.43%	57.14%
D=18	28.57%	28.57%	42.86%
E=18	35.71%	35.71%	28.57%
F=18	42.86%	42.86%	14.29%









Configuration

> Output

Injection-r	M451	M549	M470	M452	M450	M245
0,00	4,6041	4,6062	4,6085	4,6122	4,6451	4,888
0,01	4,82	4,85	4,83	4,84	4,90	5,13
0,02	5,18	5,24	5,18	5,29	5,29	5,56
0,03	6,53	6,42	6,39	6,71	6,58	6,96
0,04	21,09	25,25	28,83	27,51	28,24	29,01
0,05	118,52	132,25	131,28	132,17	135,10	162,46
0,06	306,91	307,70	325,68	319,67	330,98	334,17
0,07	448,99	448,91	449,40	450,26	456,25	455,13
0,08	537,41	541,05	543,97	543,24	548,50	535,00
0,09	603,57	587,39	607,01	588,38	602,23	603,87
0,10	627,37	604,70	623,91	611,32	605,12	644,24

Avg. hop count for M configurations



Cross-Overs

Injection-r	M451	M549	M470	M452	M450	M245	
Model	4,6041	4,6062	4,6085	4,6122	4,6451	4,888	No Cross-over
c(M451)	0,00%	-0,05%	-0,10%	-0,18%	-0,88%	-5,81%	
c(M549)	0,05%	0,00%	-0,05%	-0,13%	-0,84%	-5,77%	Cross-over
c(M470)	0,10%	0,05%	0,00%	-0,08%	-0,79%	-5,72%	
c(M452)	0,18%	0,13%	0,08%	0,00%	-0,71%	-5,64%	Self-reference
c(M450)	0.89%	0.84%	0.79%	0.71%	0.00%	-4.97%	
c(M245)	6,17%	6,12%	6,06%	5,98%	5,23%	0,00%	

Difference
$$\% = \left| \frac{(z(M245) - z(M451))}{z(451)} \right| * 100$$



➤Cross-overs do happen when configurations are very similar.

>In all tested cases, there was never a cross over when the minimum difference in the zero-load prediction of two configuration > $\pm 0.13\%$.

Configuration to Minimize Average Delay

- > The number of cores and network size is known.
- > The preferred network dimensions in X,Y,Z is determined.
- > The probabilities of each core sending packets to a hotspot node is estimated.
- > The number and position of hotspot nodes is set.
- > The cores are equally grouped into clusters based on their probabilities range.
- > The Zero-load model finds configuration with the lowest average distance

Zero Load Predictive Model

Static performance predictor

- **>**Based on Network geometry and traffic pattern
- High fidelity observed in simulations
- > Applications:
 - **>** Fast and early design space exploration
 - >Node placement
 - ➤Task mapping



