

# INTEL® VTUNE™ AMPLIFIER – PLATFORM PROFILER

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# The Long & Short of Performance Analysis

Get the big picture first with a Snapshot or Platform Profiler

	<h2>Snapshot</h2> <p>Quickly size potential performance gain. Run a test “during a coffee break”.</p>	<h2>In-Depth</h2> <p>Advanced collection &amp; analysis. Insight for effective optimization.</p>
<h3>Application Focus</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• HPC App developer focus</li><li>• 1 app running during test</li></ul>	<b>Intel® VTune™ Amplifier's Application Performance Snapshot</b> Metrics: • OpenMP • Vectorization • MPI • Memory • I/O <b>L</b> 🕒	<b>VTune™ Amplifier</b> • Many profiles <b>S-M</b> 🕒 <b>Intel® Advisor</b> • Vectorization <b>S</b> 🕒 <b>Intel® Trace Analyzer and Collector (ITAC)</b> • MPI Optimization <b>S-L</b> 🕒
<h3>System Focus</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Deployed system focus</li><li>• Full system load test</li></ul>	<b>VTune™ Amplifier's Storage Performance Snapshot</b> Metrics: • I/O • CPU • Memory • Network <b>L</b> 🕒	<b>VTune™ Amplifier</b> - <b>Sampling:</b> • System wide EBS <b>S-M</b> 🕒 - <b>Platform Profiler:</b> Metrics: • ~20 OS • ~150 hardware <b>L</b> 🕒

Maximum collection times: **L**🕒=long (hours) **M**🕒=medium (minutes) **S**🕒=short (seconds-few minutes)

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# Performance Optimization - Big picture first, then the details

## Long data collections, light on detail

When & how is hardware underutilized?

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### Platform Profiler

- Plan a tuning strategy or monitor QA
  - Analyze long runs
  - Find times with low performance
  - Use metrics to plan deeper analysis
    - Low Floating Point → Optimize vectorization
    - High memory ops → Analyze memory access
- Optimize hardware configuration
  - Run a mix of your target workloads
    - High processor utilization → more cores
    - High memory use → more memory
    - I/O limited → more or faster I/O

## Short data collections, lots of detail

Attribute to source, memory access patterns...

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- Cache optimization
- Load balancing
- Memory access analysis
- More...

Intel® Advisor

- Vectorization optimization

Intel® Trace Analyzer & Collector (ITAC)

- MPI optimization

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# Platform Profiler

Identify system configuration issues

## Target User

- Infrastructure Architects
- Software Architects & QA



Architecture overview for a dual socket system

## Performance metrics on system topology

- Display current configuration
- Socket → Core → Internal Caches
- Socket → Memory Link → Memory Module

## Identify system configuration issues

- Inefficient memory module placements
- Need for faster storage
- Need for larger/faster memory

## Identify potential software issues

- Low CPU utilization
- NUMA-related issues (near vs. far memory accesses)
- Inefficient usage of memory/storage resources

## Compare different system configurations

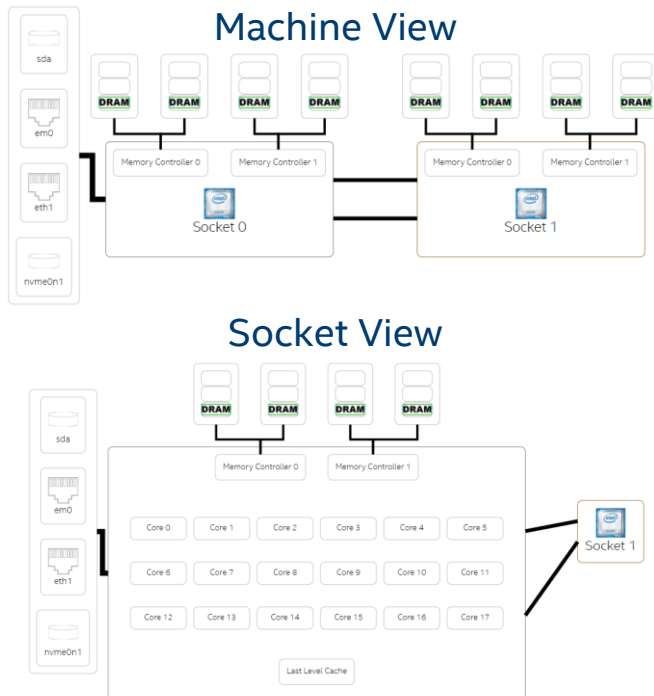


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## Identify system configuration issues

### Interactive Topology Diagrams

- System configuration
- Dynamic annotations to highlight imbalances (future)

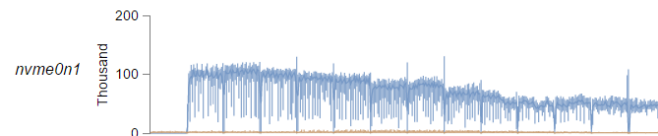


### Performance metrics

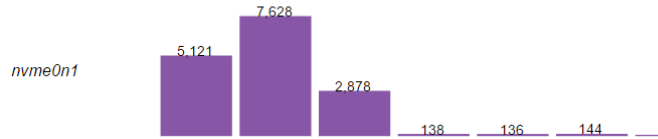
- Low overhead (targeting < 1%) – coarse grain
- Sampling OS and HW performance counters
- Extended capture (min. to hours)
- RESTful API for easy analysis by scripts
- Single system (today), cloud (future)

### Timelines and Histograms

IOPS

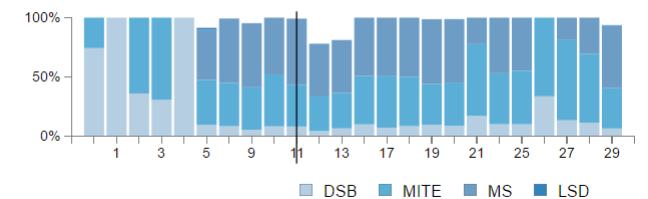


Queue Depth Distribution

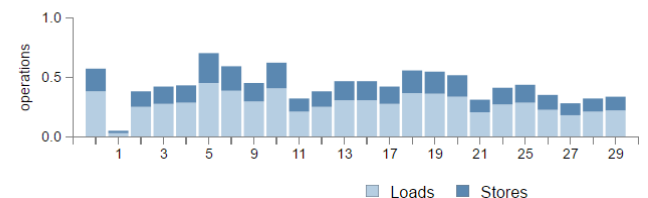


### Core to Core Comparisons

uOPS Delivered (average/core)



Memory Ops Per Instruction (average/core)



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# Workflow overview

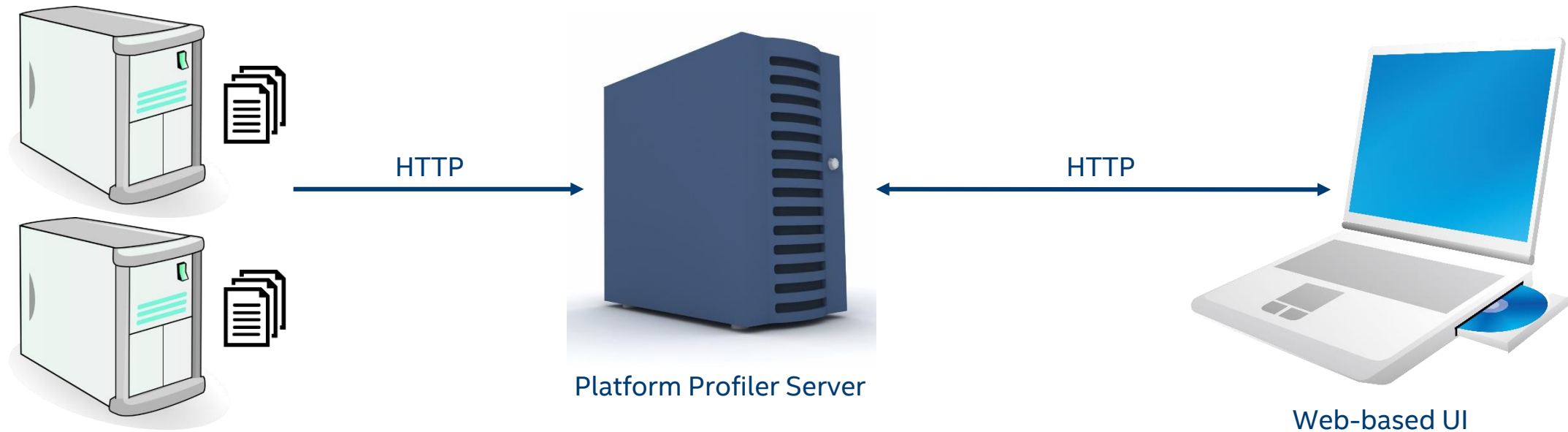
2. Install data collector on “targets”

1. Install the Platform Profiler Server

3. Collect data

4. Upload data

5. View and analyze results



Data Collection "Targets"

Web-based UI

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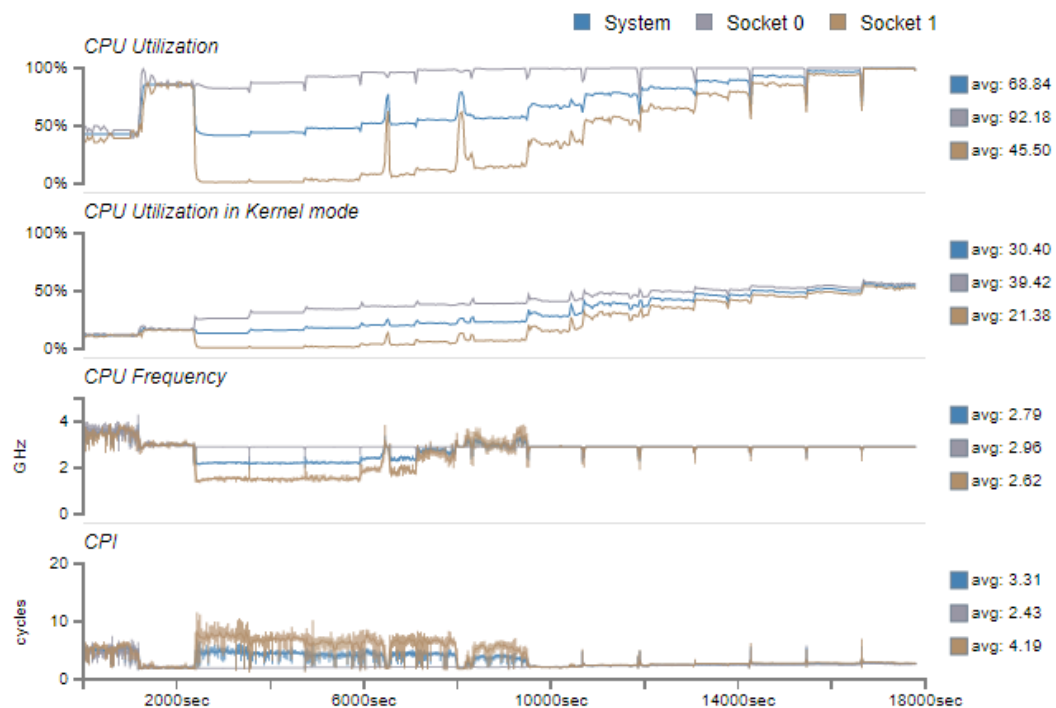
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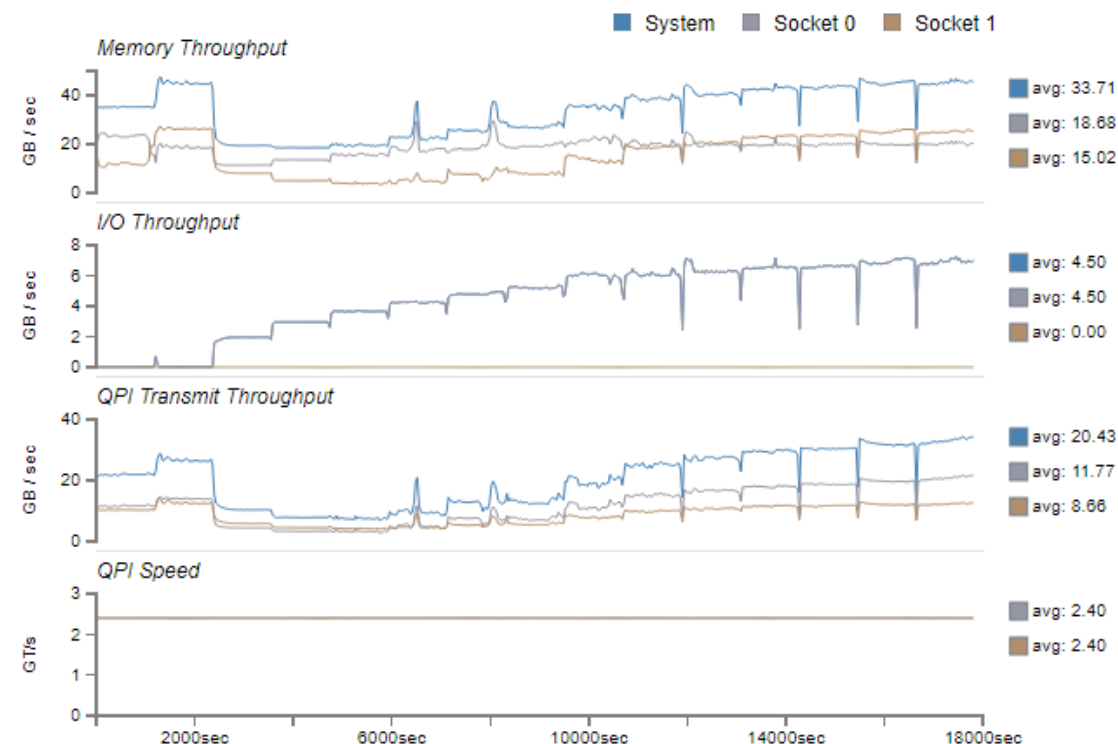
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## Identify system usage imbalances

### CPU Utilization, Turbo, Cycle Efficiency



### Interconnect and Bus Throughput



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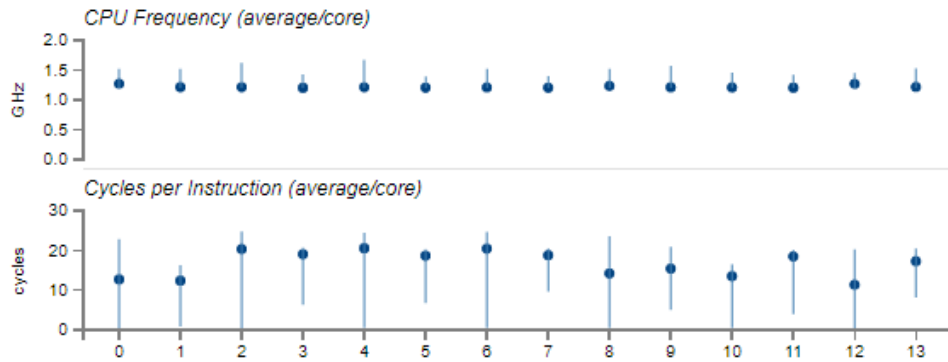
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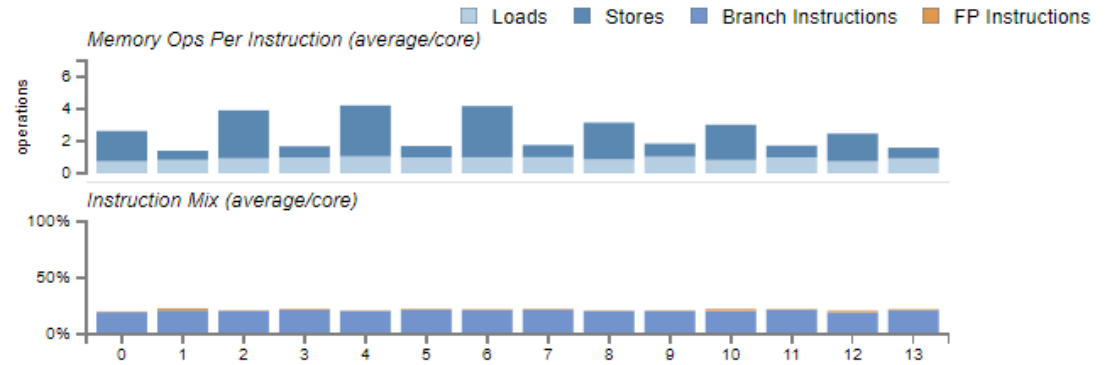
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Identify Core-to-Core level usage imbalances

Efficiency comparisons



Workload differences



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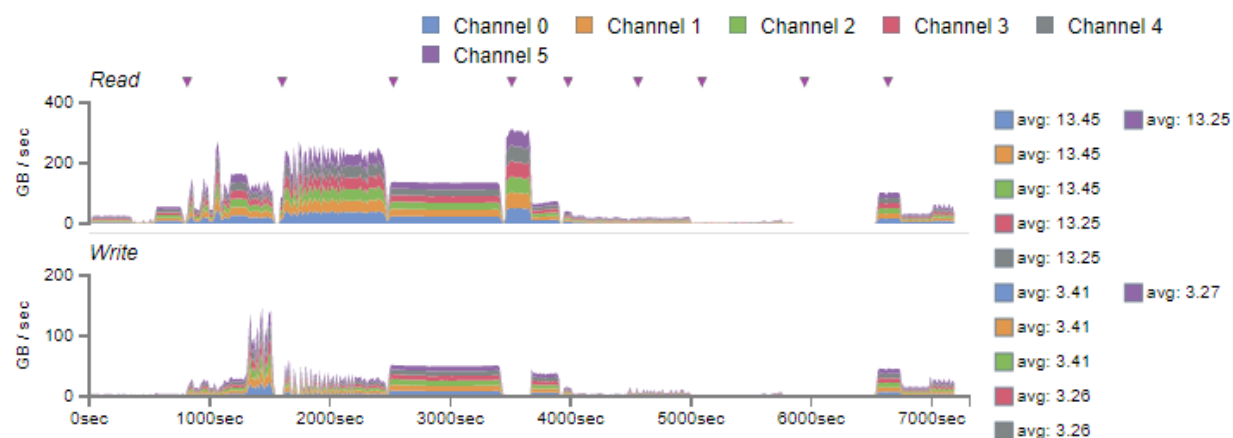
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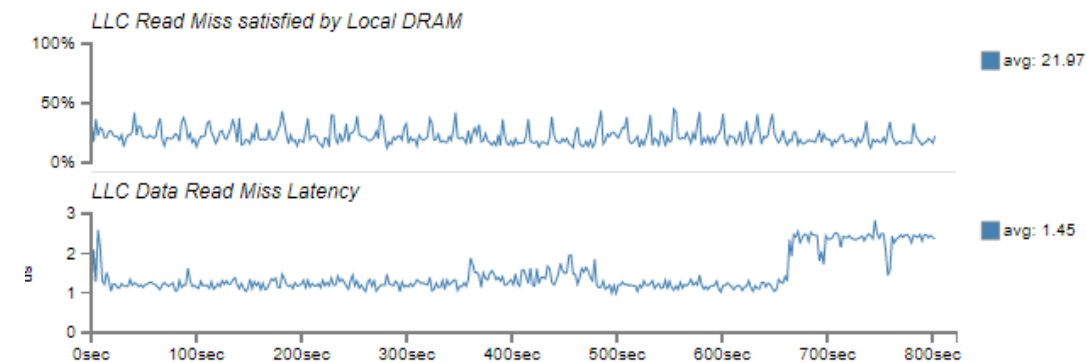
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## Identify Memory usage imbalances

### Traffic Patterns



### NUMA and Latencies



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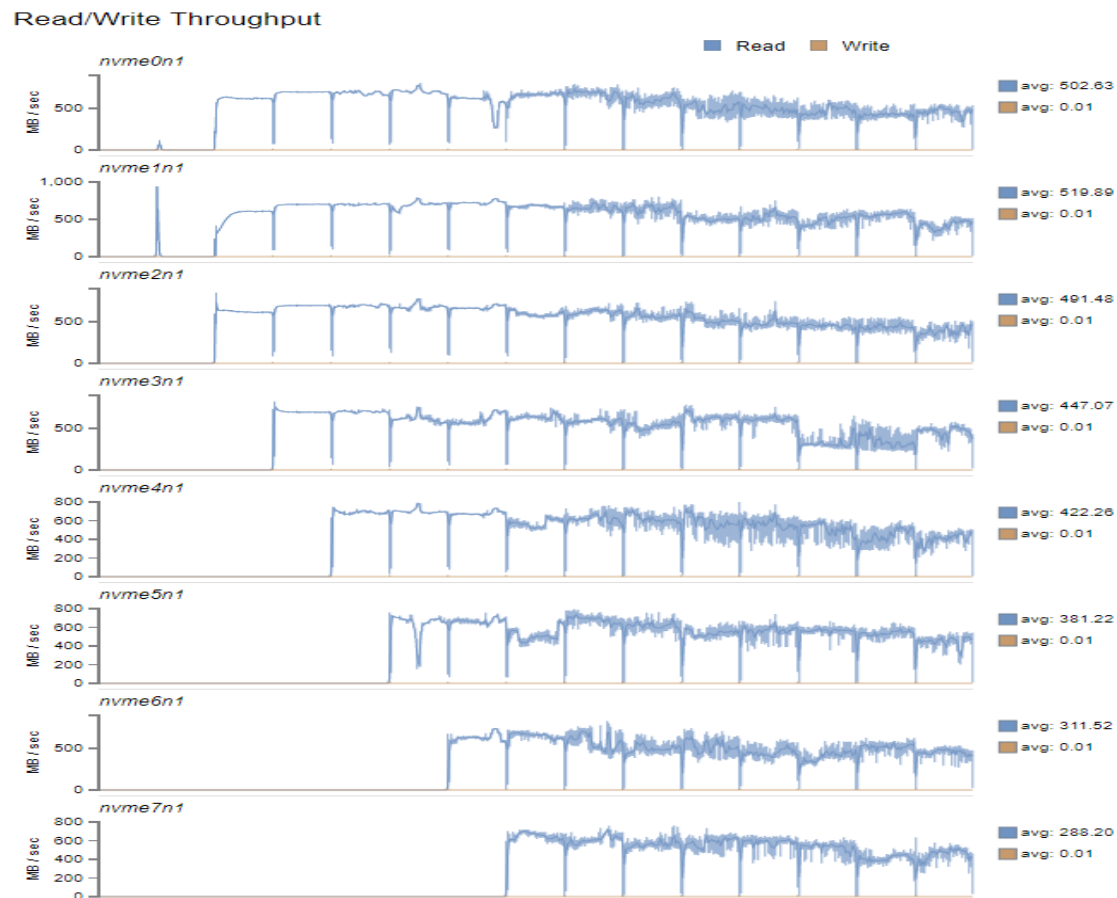
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Identify disk utilization imbalances

## Traffic Patterns



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