# **CPU performance analysis for MySQL using Hot/Cold Flame Graphs**

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#### So Brendan

Or "What are FlameGraphs?"



# What are FlameGraphs

Flame graphs are a visualization of profiled software, allowing the most frequent code-paths to be identified quickly and accurately

~ Brendan Gregg

http://www.brendangregg.com/FlameGraphs/cpuflamegraphs.html



## What are FlameGraphs: code path

```
void GetBook(Book book) {
int main(){
                                   a = GetAuthor(book);
    GetBookList(book);
                                   pub = GetPublisher(book);
                                GetPrints(book).toString();
                                   printf("%s published by
void GetBookList(Book book) {
                                %s [prints: %s]", a,pub,p);
    while (book =
    GetBook (book);
```



## What are FlameGraphs: code path

#### Possible call chains

```
main() -> GetBooksList() -> GetBook() -> GetAuthor()...
```



# What are FlameGraphs: profiling

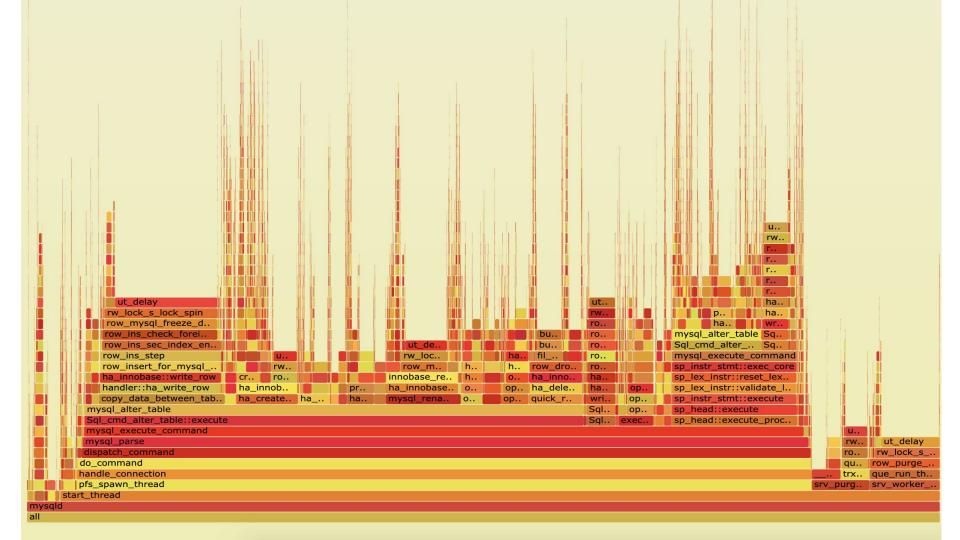
Captures of metrics of some type for later aggregation.



## What are FlameGraphs

```
# profile it
perf record -a -g -F99 -p $(pgrep -x mysqld) --
sleep 60
# make it machine-readable
perf script > s.out
# graph it!
stackcollapse-perf.pl s.out | flamegraph.pl > s.svg
```





# Cold Graphs

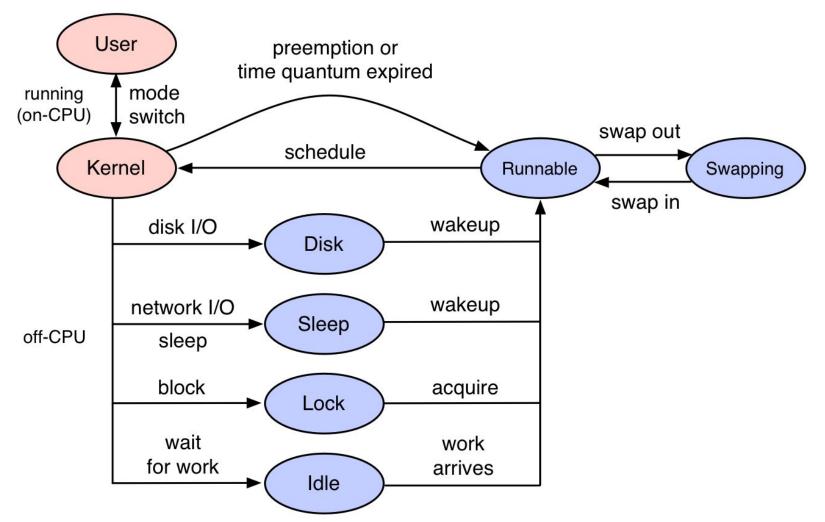


# What are ColdGraphs / Off-CPU analysis

Off-CPU analysis is a performance methodology where off-CPU time is measured and studied, along with context such as stack traces.

http://www.brendangregg.com/offcpuanalysis.html





## First things First

```
# RHEL
yum install bcc-tools

# Ubuntu
sudo apt-get install bpfcc-tools linux-headers-$(uname -r)

# Validating
Is -larth /usr/share/bcc/tools/
```



## **Profiling**

```
# /usr/share/bcc/tools/offcputime -df -p `pgrep -nx mysqld` 30 > out.stacks
# git clone https://github.com/brendangregg/FlameGraph
# cd FlameGraph
# ./flamegraph.pl --color=io --title="Off-CPU Time Flame Graph" --countname=us < out.stacks > out.svg
```



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do_futex	do_nano	do_f	sys_fu	system_call_fastpath	do_futex	do_futex	do_nano	do_fut
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