

Tru64 UNIX Performance Monitoring: collect



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Agenda



- Overview
- Collecting performance data
- Analyzing data and displaying results
- Advanced techniques

Overview



- Collects operating system data under Compaq Tru64 UNIX
 - either interactive mode or historical mode
- Tightly integrated associated tools:
 - collgui
 - evaluate data gathered by collect using collect, cfilt, and gnuplot
 - cfilt
 - extracts arbitrary values from the output of collect
- Has become the standard tool for Tru64 UNIX performance monitoring

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A photograph showing a man standing in a server room filled with server racks and network equipment. In the foreground, there are several computer monitors displaying various data and graphs. A blue callout box with white text is overlaid on the bottom left of the image.

gathering data

Collect Features



- Records specific operating system data
 - Display data in text format
 - Store it in compressed binary format
 - Any set of the subsystems be included or excluded
 - A collection interval can be specified
- Plays back data files
- Automatic start on boot with logfile rollover and cleanup
- Automatic termination after a given time or a specified number of collection intervals

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Example: collect



```
# collect -f collect_data -a
Initializing (10.0 seconds) ... done.

##### RECORD      1 ...

^C
Ouch!

# collect -p collect_data.cgi
```

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Select Subsystems to be monitored



```
# collect -s [pm dt lnc f q y h]
# collect -e [pm dt lnc f q y h]
```

- **p** process statistics
- **m** memory usage
- **d, t, l** disk, tape, LSM statistics
- **n** network
- **c** CPU statistics
- **f** file system
- **q** message queues
- **y** tty
- **h** header information

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Collection Interval



- Use **-i** to specify a time value in seconds for
 - the collection interval
 - the process interval
- Collect is designed to use less than 1% of system resources if sampling is performed at 30-second or greater intervals

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Automatic Starting on Boot



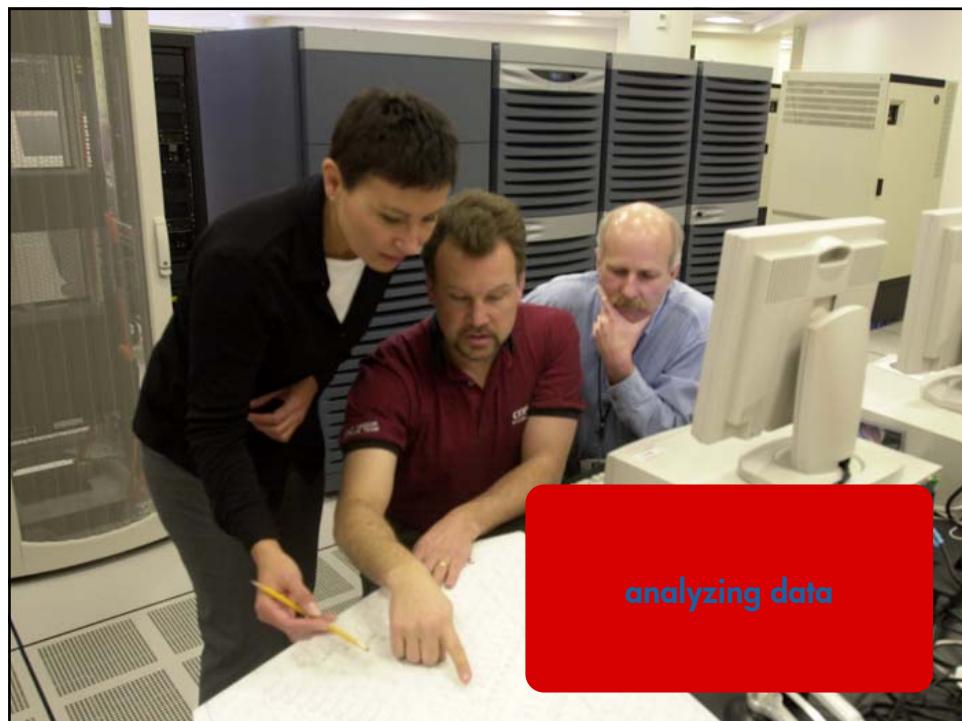
- Collect can be configured to start automatically on boot
Useful for continuous monitoring
- `/etc/rc.config` values:
`COLLECT_AUTORUN`
`COLLECT_ARGS`
- Default values are:
`-i60,120`
`-f /var/adm/collect.dated/collect`
`-H d0:5,1w`
`-W 1h -M 10,15`

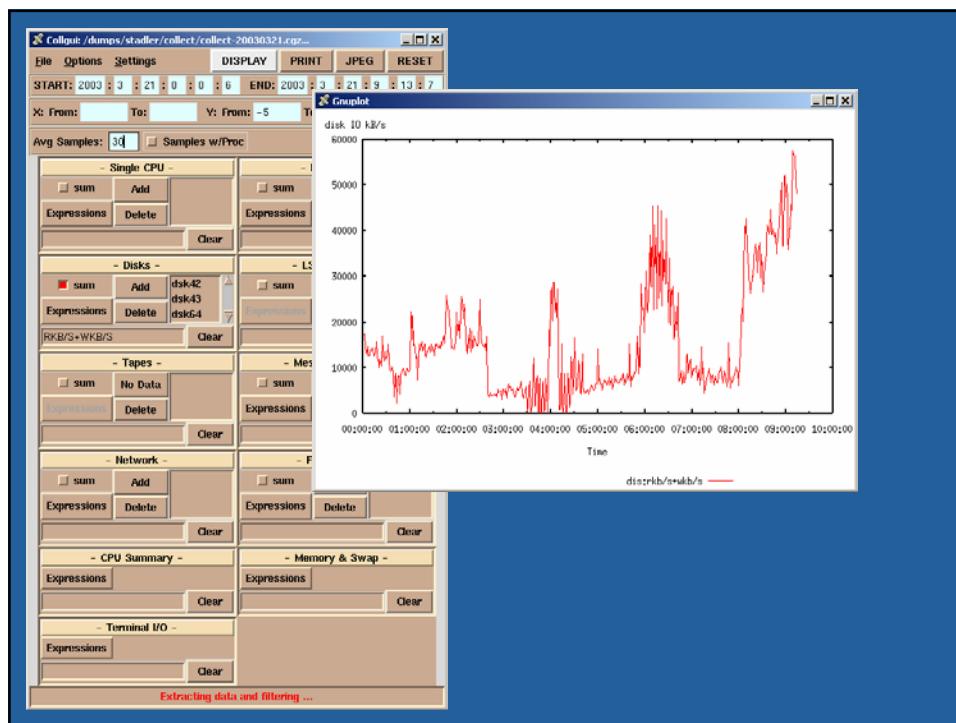
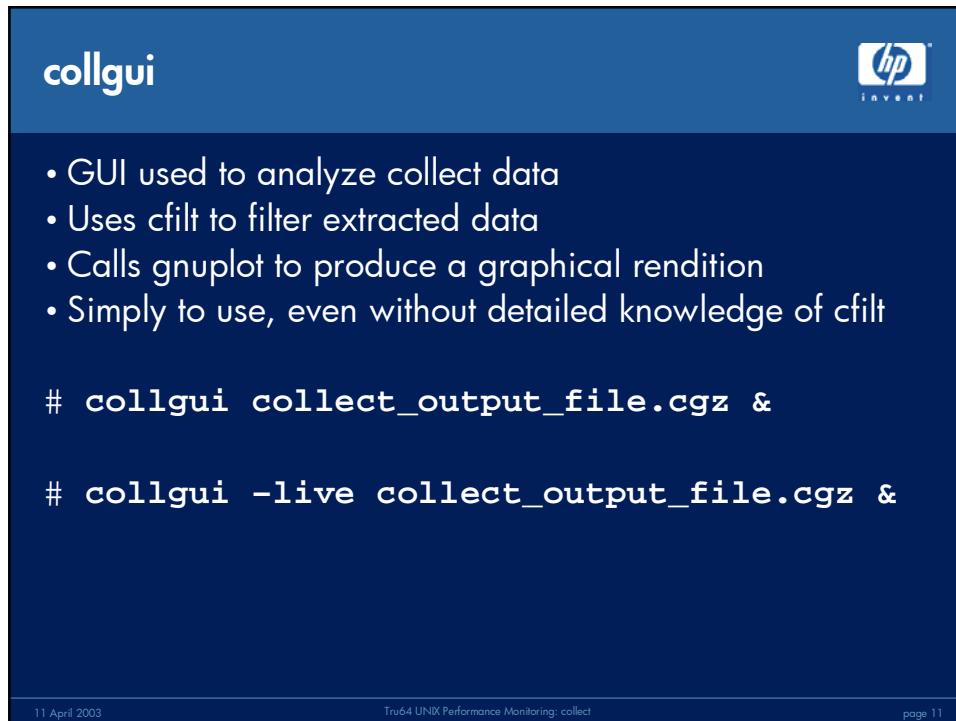
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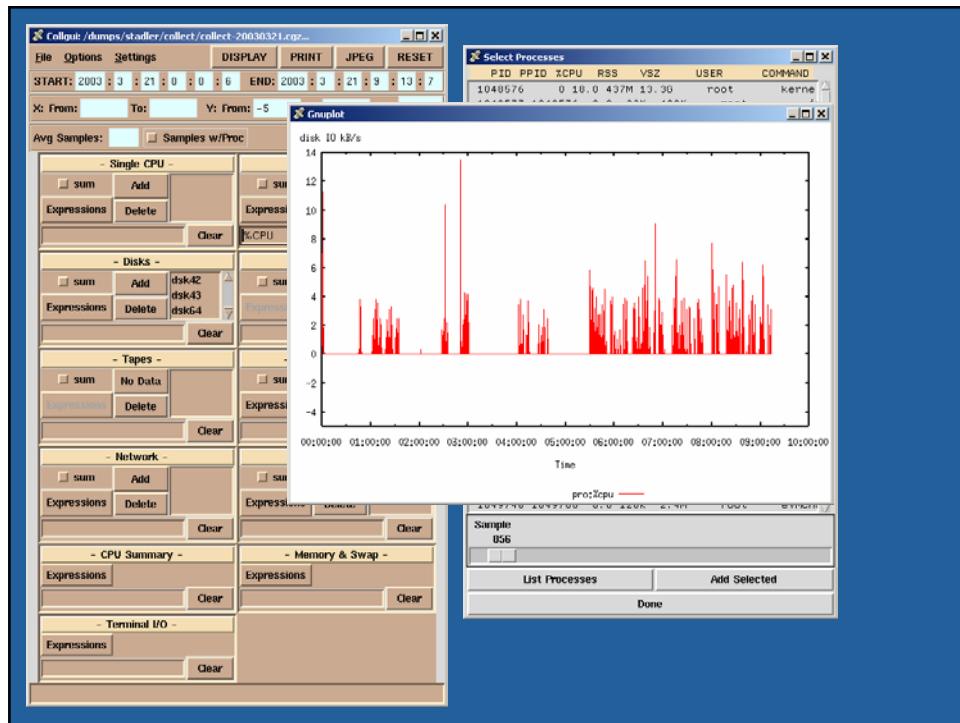
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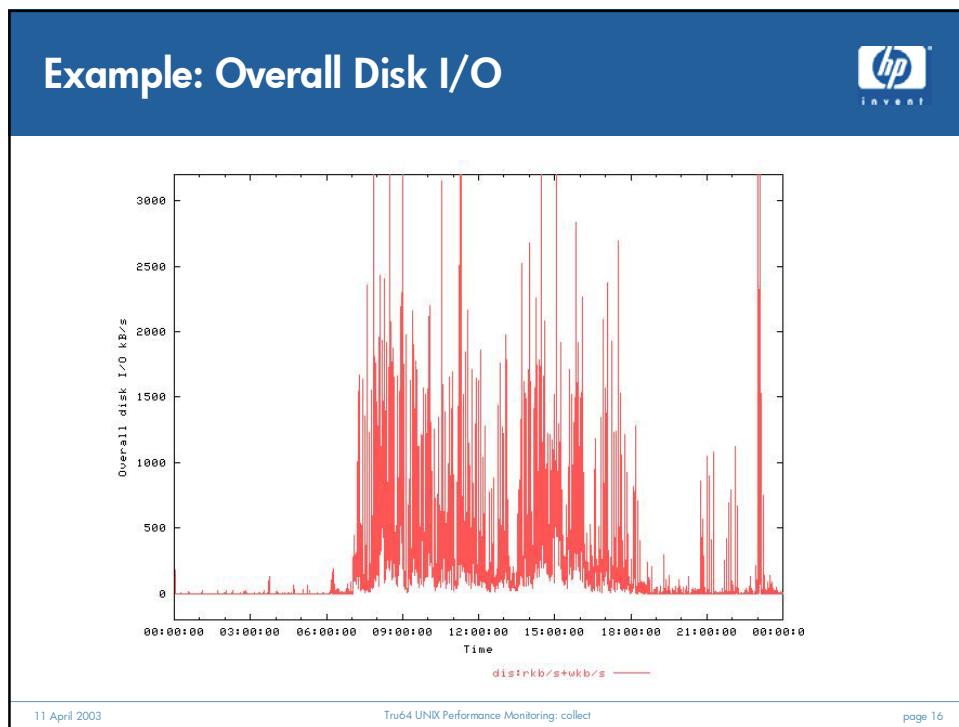
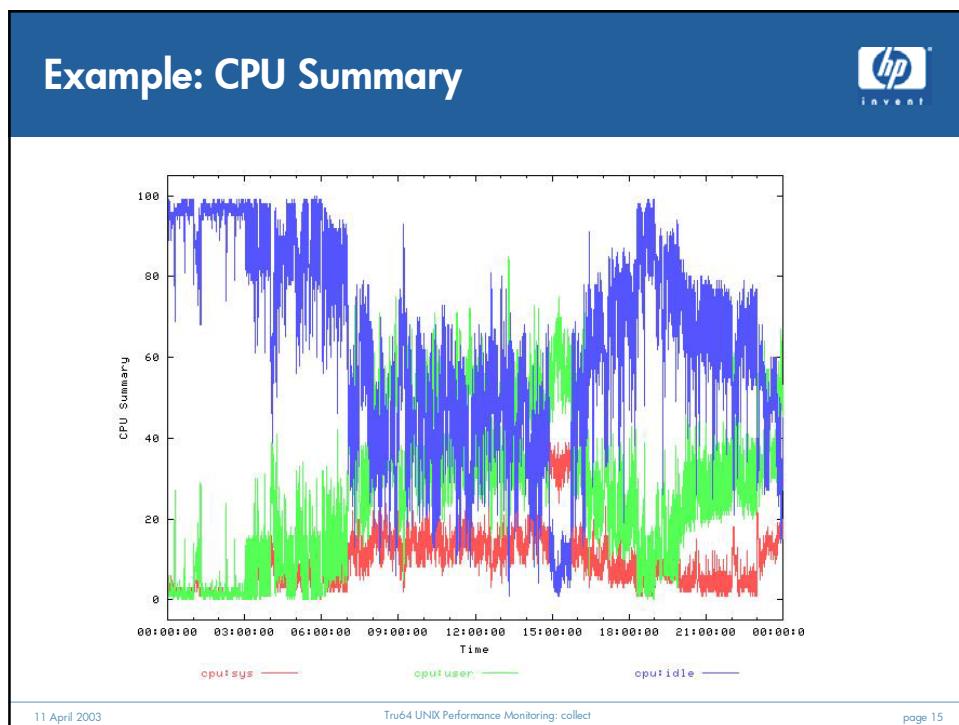


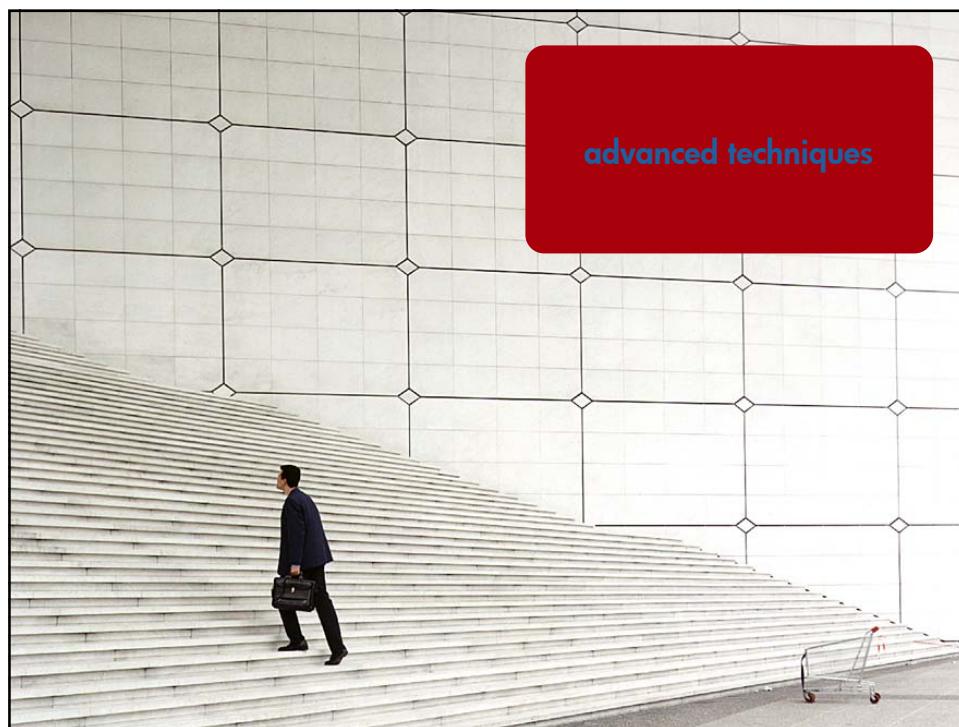
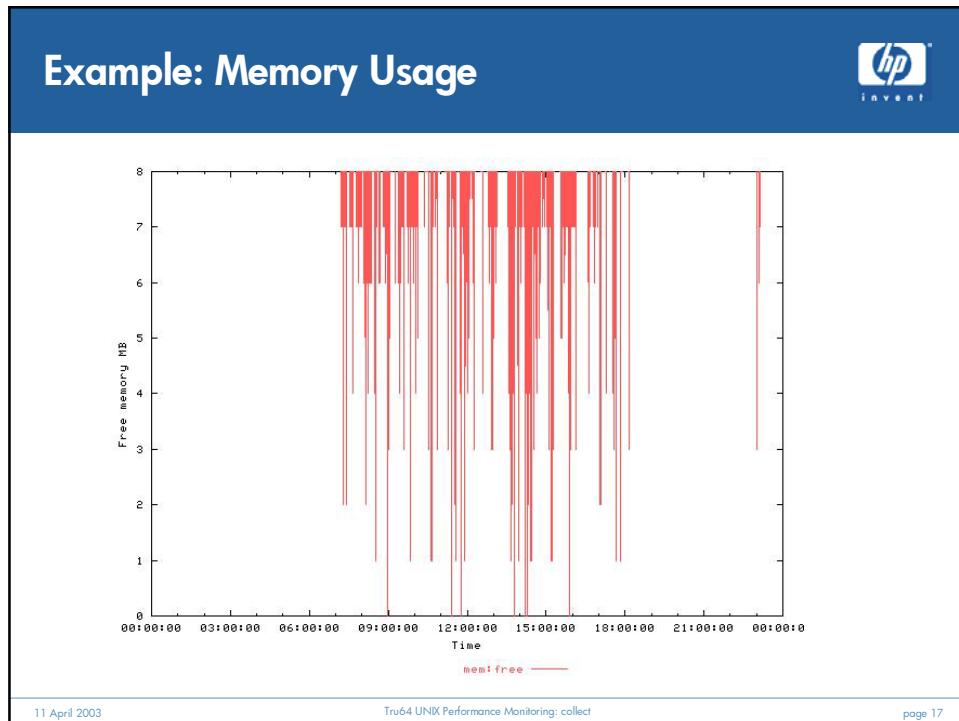
Getting an Overview



- Get collection details
`# collect -p collect_file.cgi -sh`
- CPU summary:
 user, system, idle
- Memory usage
- Disk I/O
 if there are a lot of disk, check overall transfer first
- Network I/O
 for each interface

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Exporting Data



- collect can be used to export data to other applications (e.g. to be plotted in Excel)
- Run collgui in debug mode:


```
# collgui -d collect_data_file.cgi
```
- Select the desired subsystems and click on Display
- collgui creates a file in the /var/tmp directory
- This file can be imported into Excel

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cfilt



- A filter for Collect

```
# cfilt [-aN] [-f [input-file]           \
[expression] [expression ...]] [-p]
```

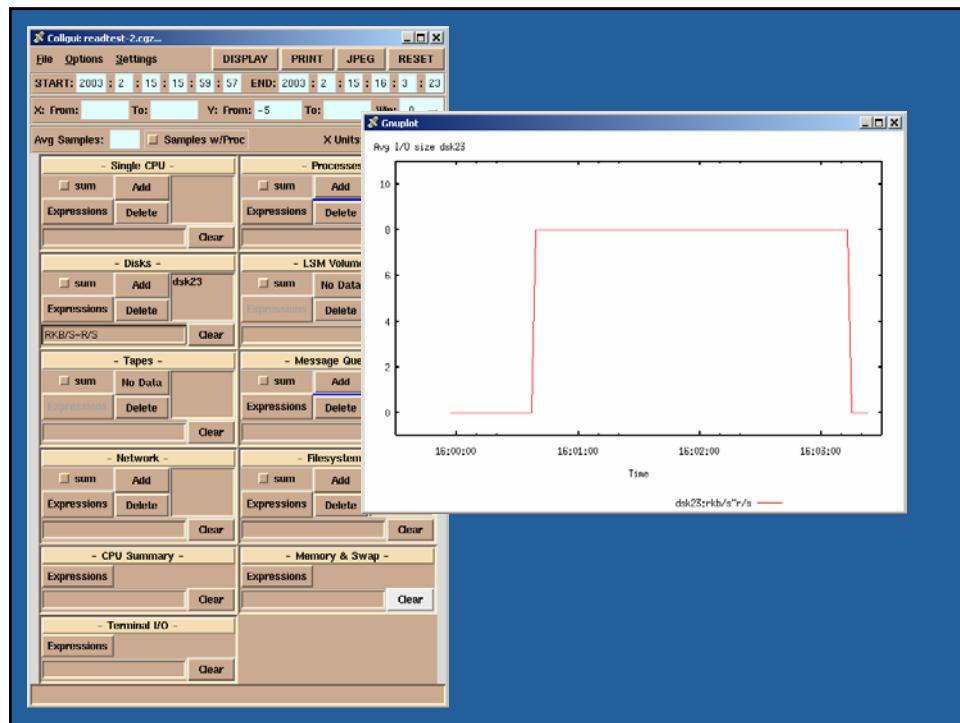
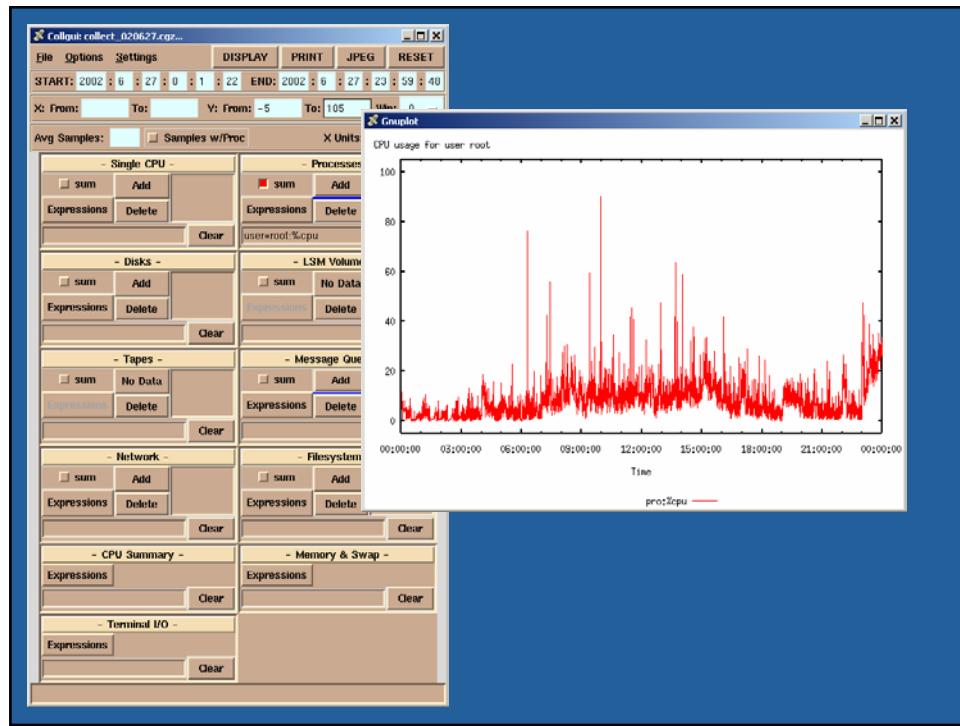
- Examples

```
# cfilt -f ... cpu:sys:user:idle
# cfilt -f ...           \
`dis+:name=dsk1,dsk2:rkb/s+wkb/s` \
# cfilt -f ... `pro+:user=oracle:%cpu`
```

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Example



- Automatically start collect after each reboot
- Run collect as a cron job to extract performance data to text file
- Setup scripts that use any graphic tool (e.g. gnuplot) to draw graphs.
- Setup a central system (e.g. a WebServer) to hold output of all monitored systems

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