

Power-aware HPC on Intel Xeon Phi KNL Processors

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Outline

- How to design power and energy-aware numerical libraries ?
- PAPI-based tools to quantify, understand and control power usage (through power capping)
- Characterize algorithms (from BLAS and benchmarks) and quantify possible benefits from power capping on Intel KNL processors
- Developments can be used to automatically analyze and build into libraries power & energy control based on feedback from computation (at runtime)

PAPI

- Middleware that provides a **consistent interface** and methodology for the performance counter hardware found in most major microprocessors
- PAPI enables software engineers to see, in near real time, the relation between **SW performance** and **HW events**

SUPPORTED ARCHITECTURES:

- AMD
- CRAY: Aris, Gemini, power
- IBM Blue Gene Series, Q: 5D-Torus, I/O system, CNK, EMON power/energy
- IBM Power Series
- Intel Westmere, Sandy|Ivy Bridge, Haswell, Broadwell, **Skylake**, Knights Corner | [Landing](#)
- ARM Cortex A8, A9, A15, [**ARM64**](#)
- NVidia Tesla, Kepler, NVML: [**CUDA support for multiple GPUs; PC Sampling**](#)
- Infiniband
- Intel RAPL (power/energy); [**power capping**](#)
- Intel KNC, [**KNL power/energy**](#)

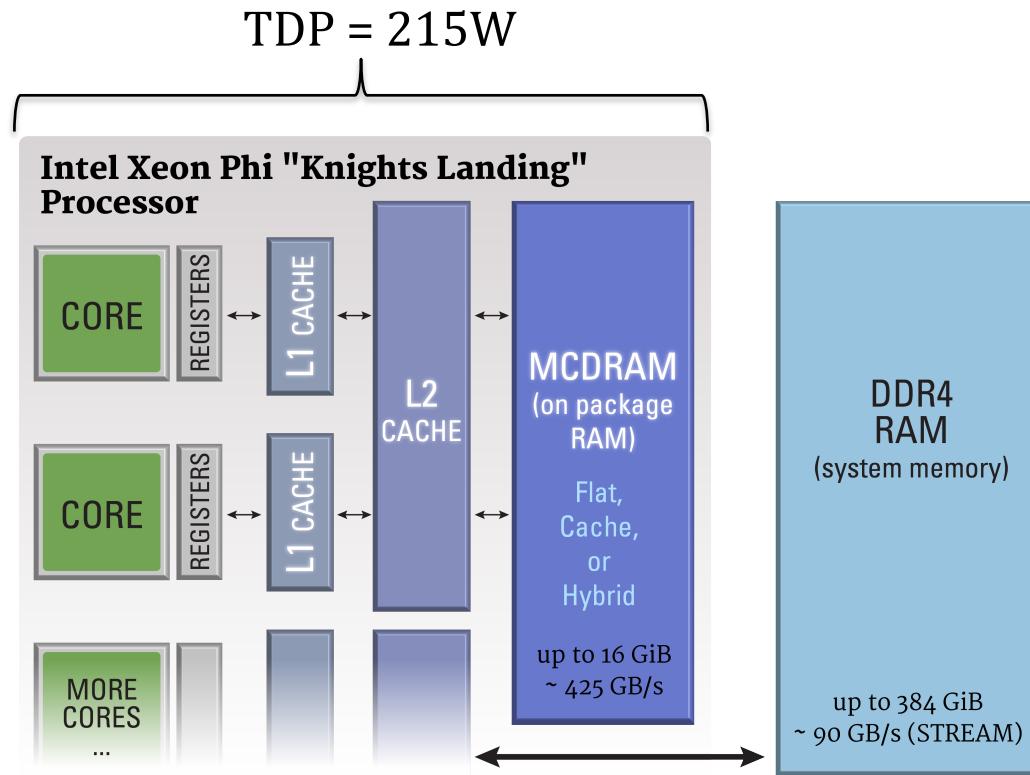


COMPONENT PAPI:

- provides access to a collection of components that expose performance measurement opportunities across the system as a whole, including network, the I/O system, the Compute Node Kernel, power/energy

Intel Knights Landing: FLAT mode

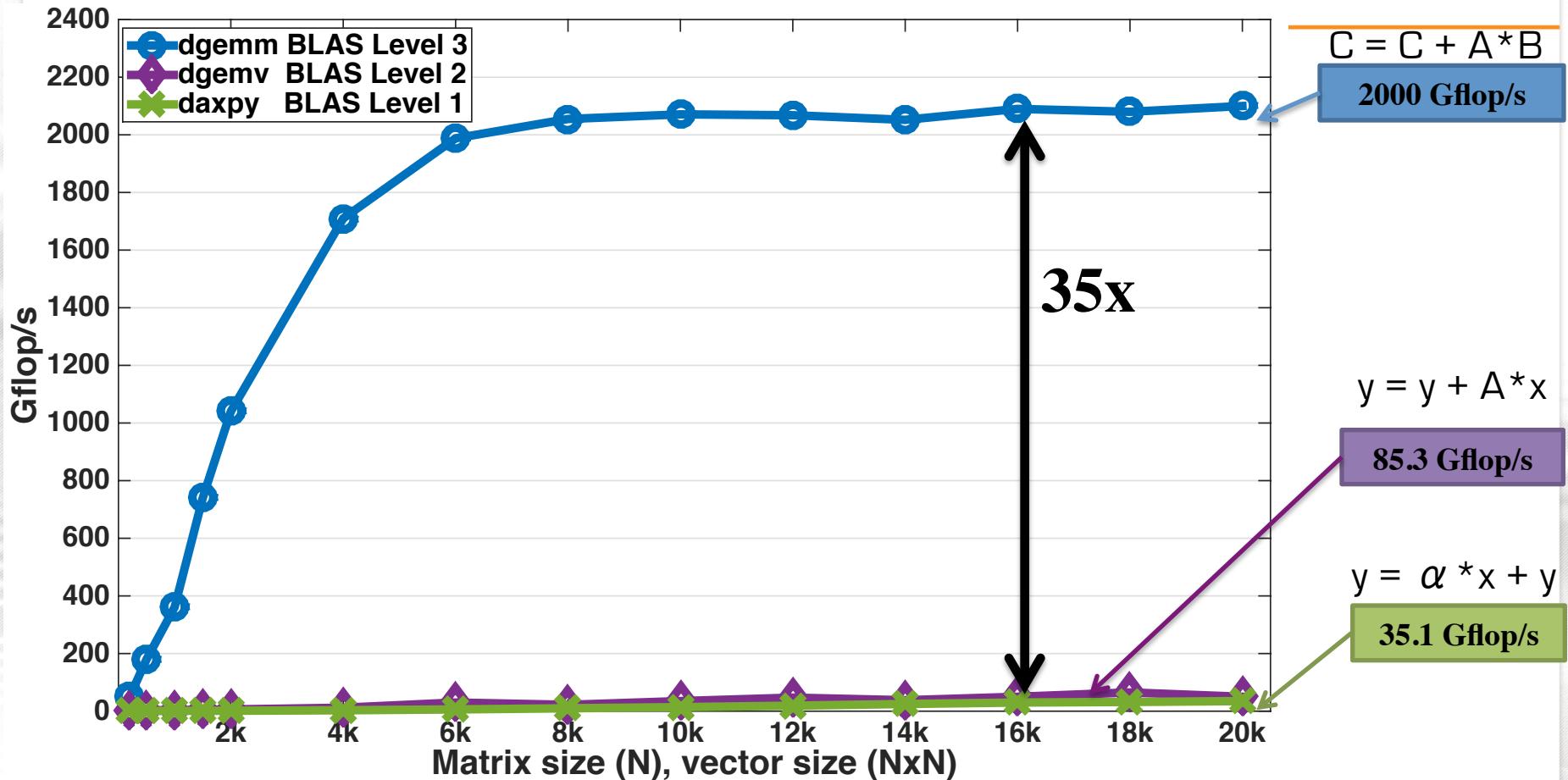
- KNL is in FLAT mode (where entire MCDRAM is used as addressable memory)
→ memory allocations are treated similarly to DDR4 memory allocations
- KNL Thermal Design Point (TDP) is 215W (for main SKUs):



Level 1, 2 and 3 BLAS



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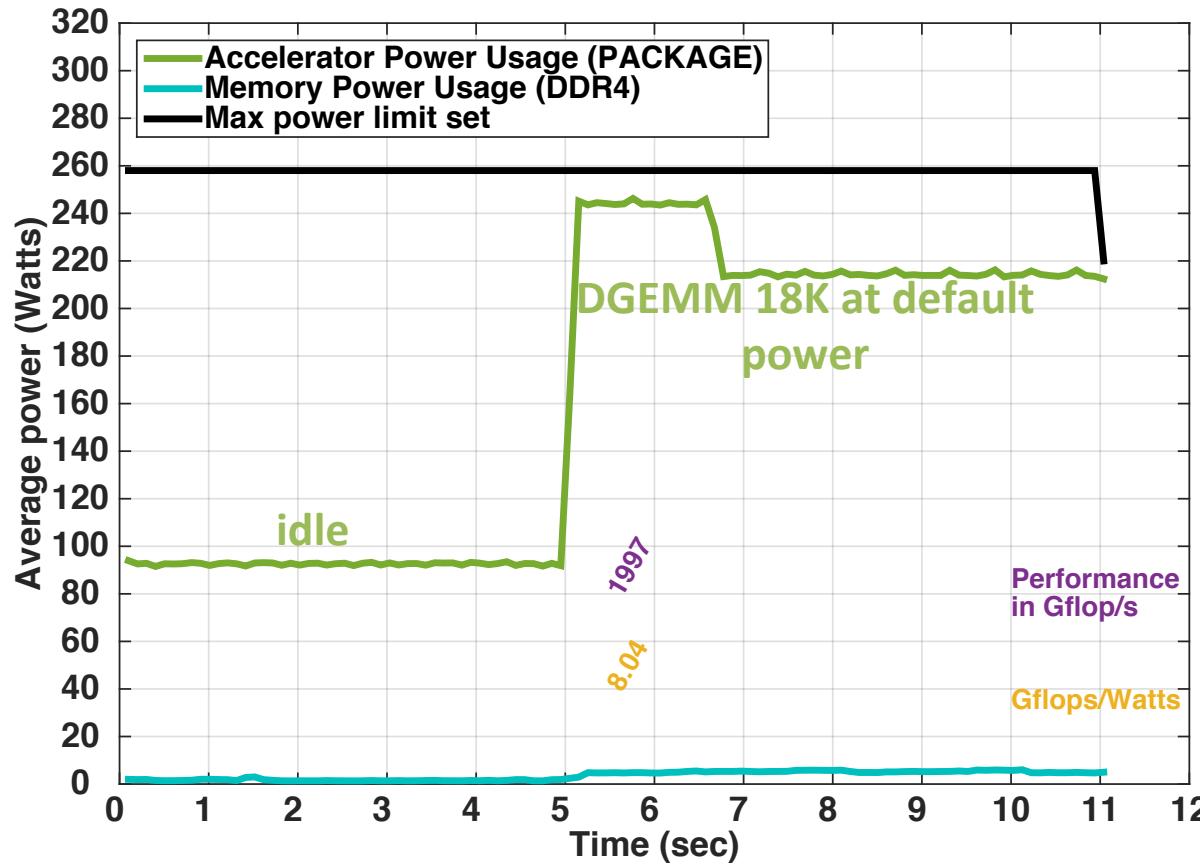
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 - Study numerical building blocks of varying computational intensity
 - Use PAPI powercap component to detect power optimization opportunities
- **Objective:** Cap the power on the architecture to reduce power usage while keeping the execution time constant → **Energy Savings !!!**

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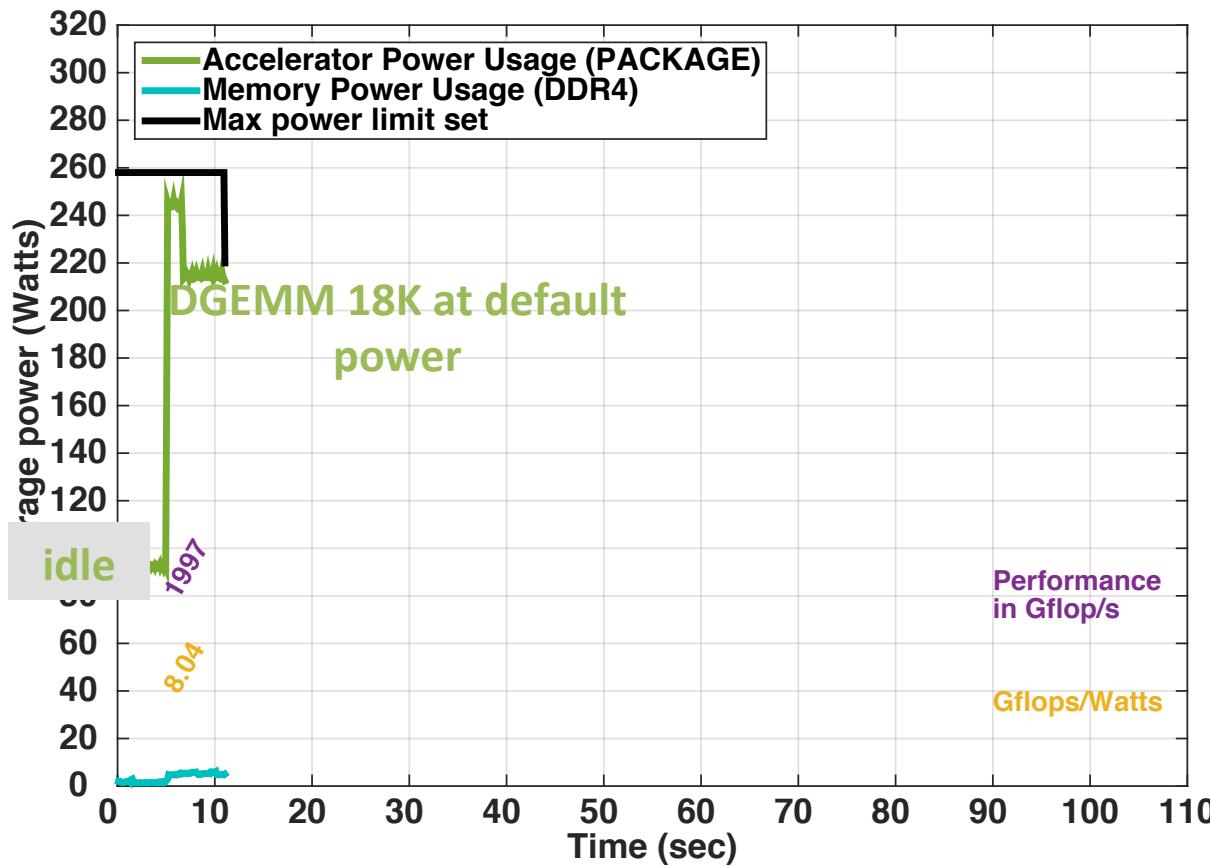


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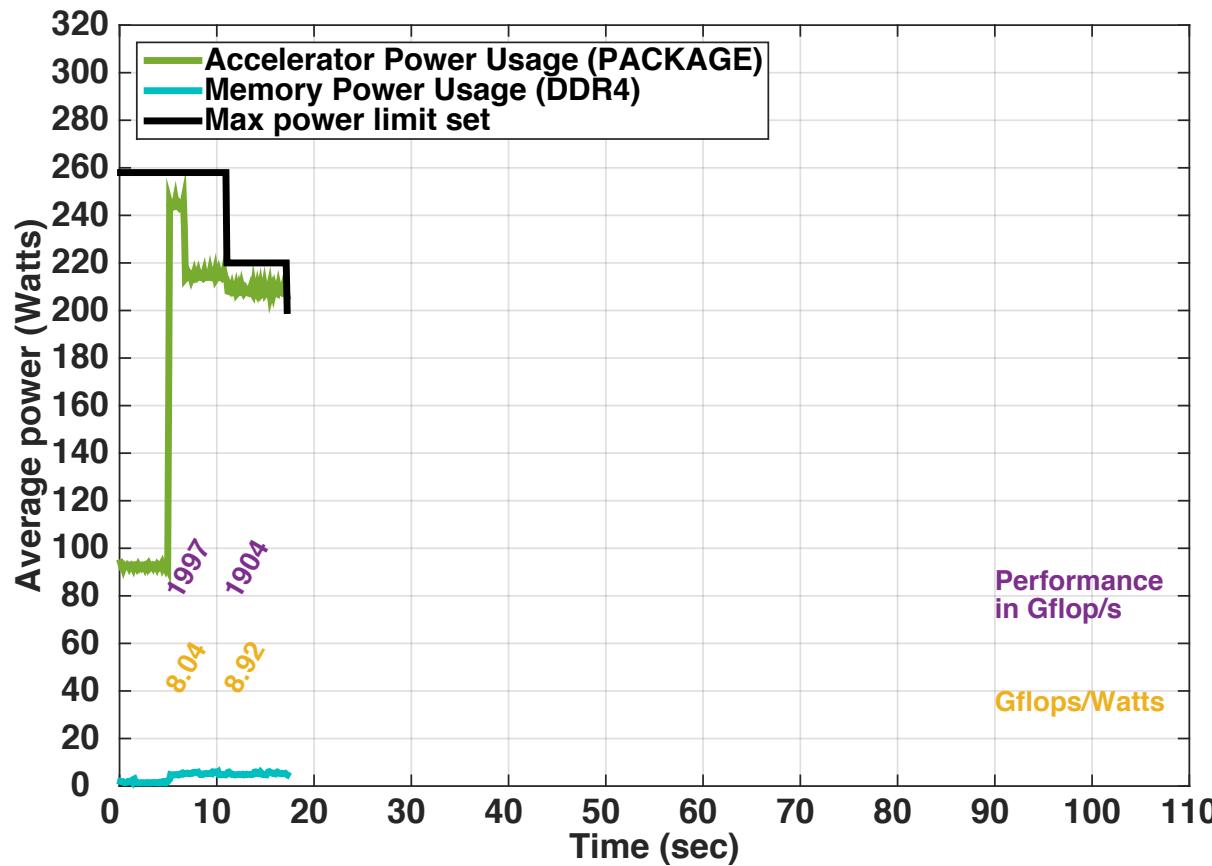


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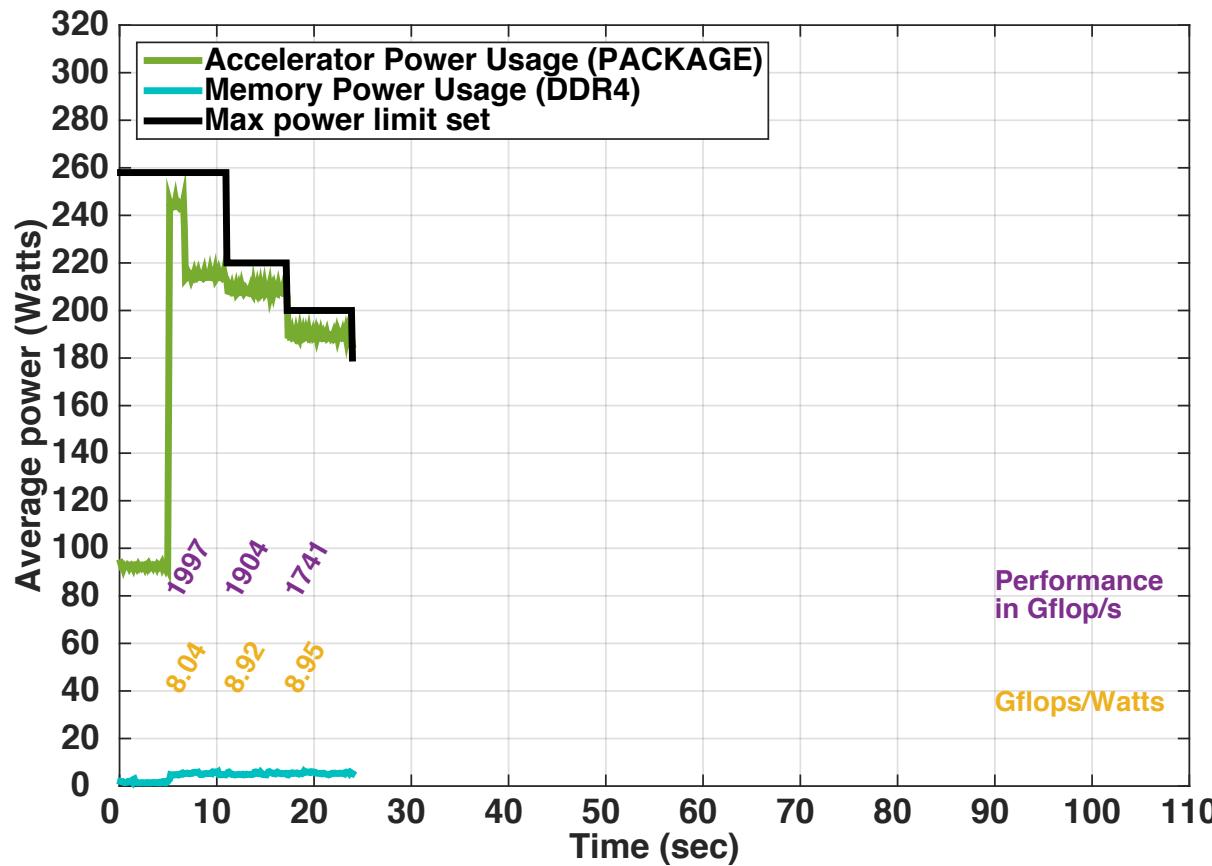


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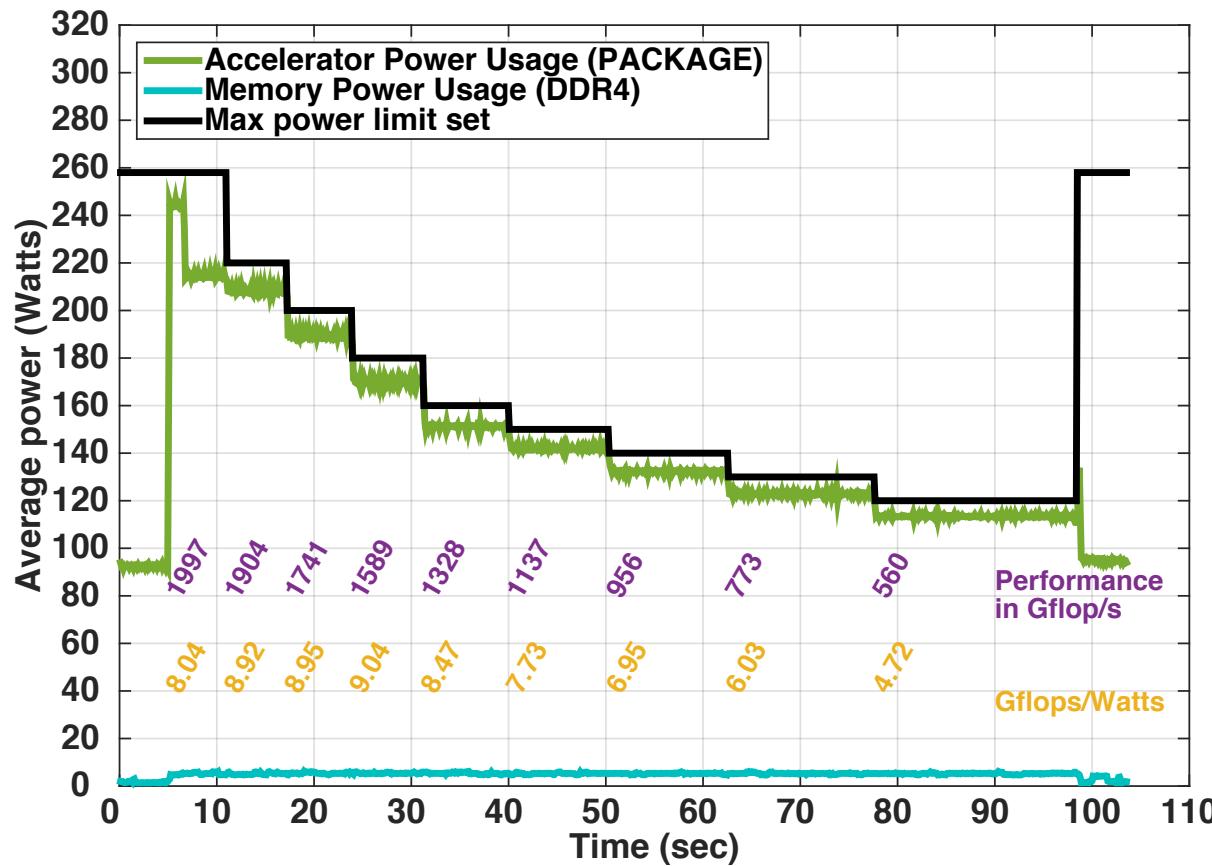


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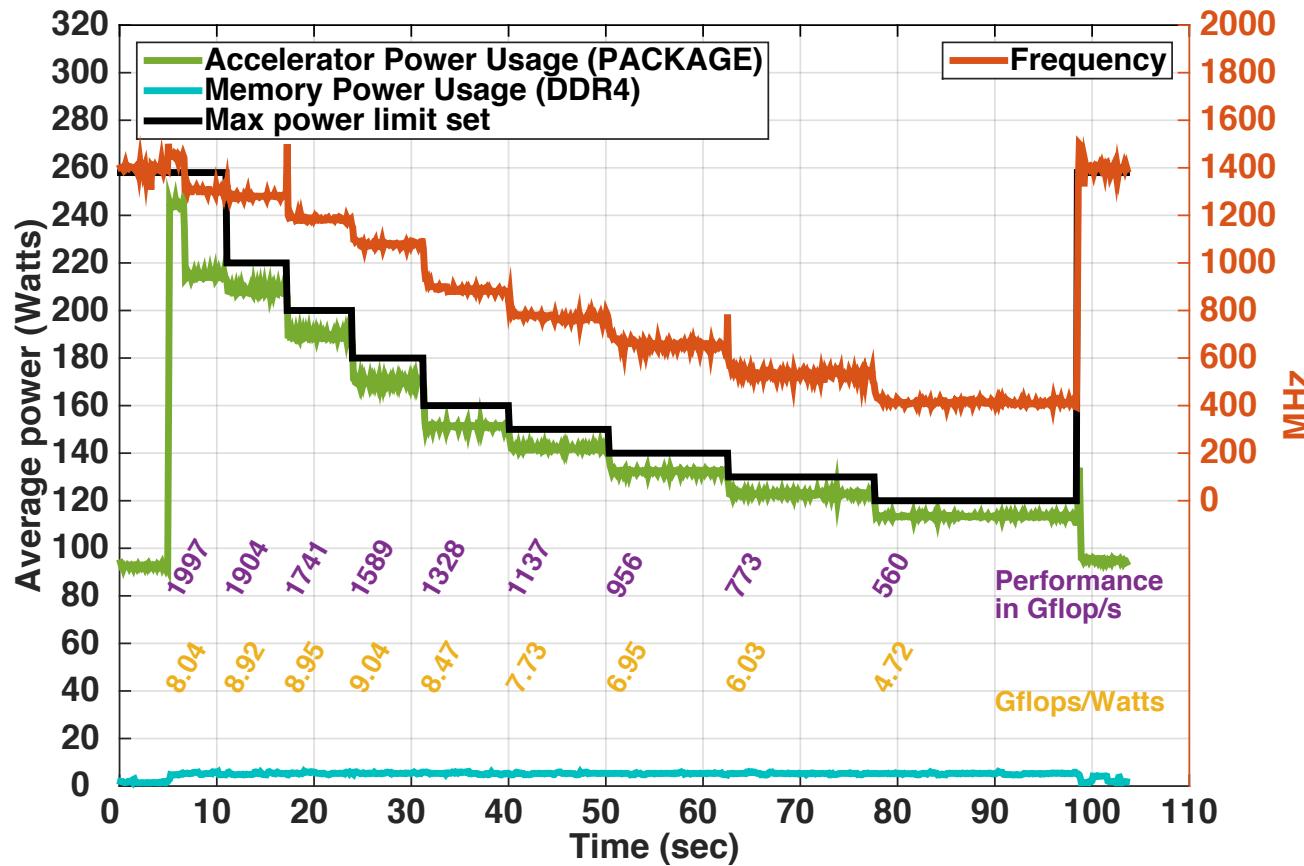


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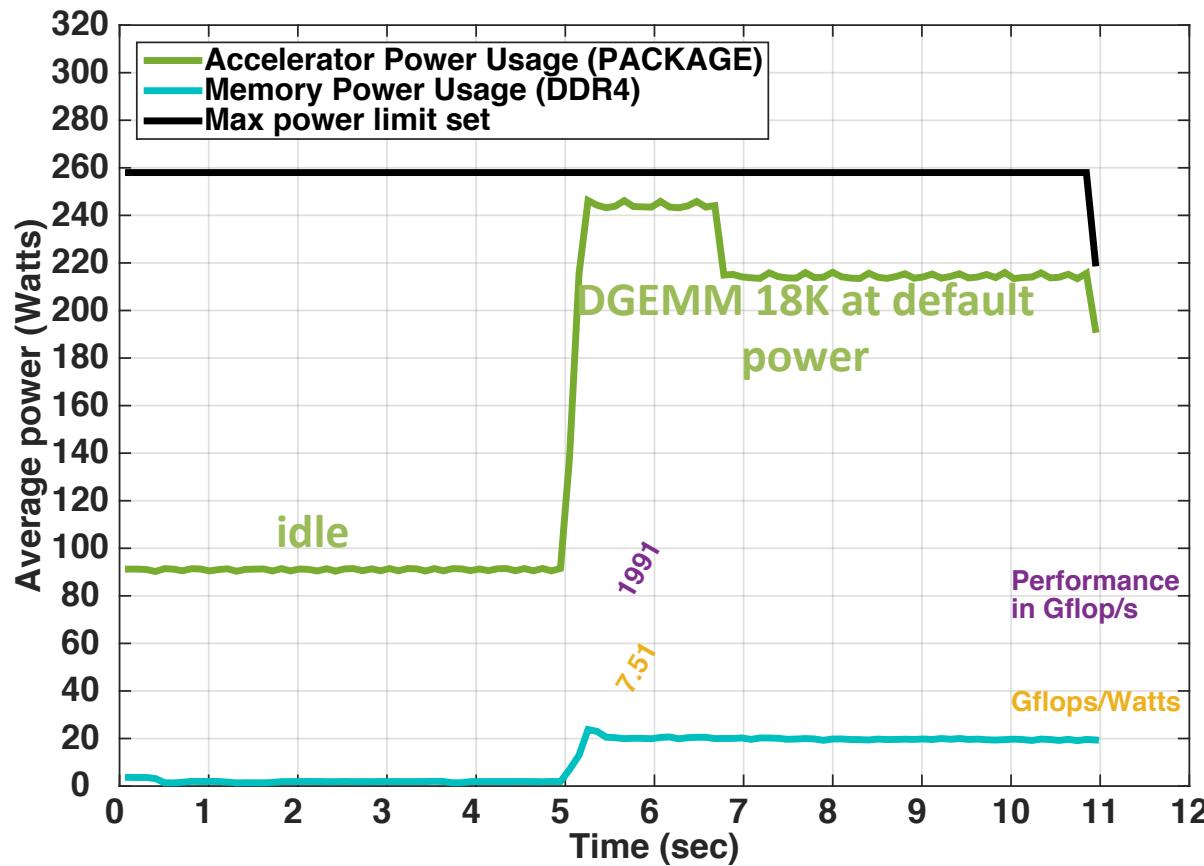


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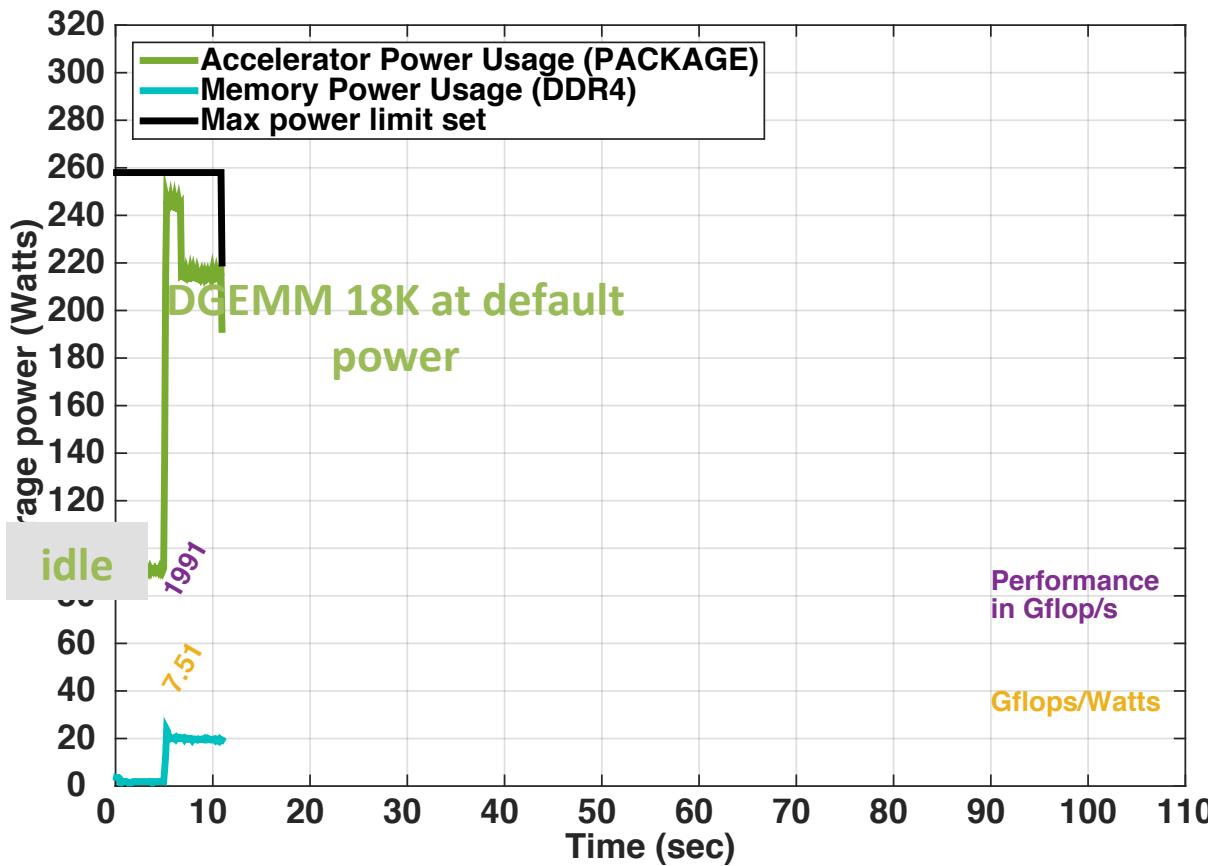


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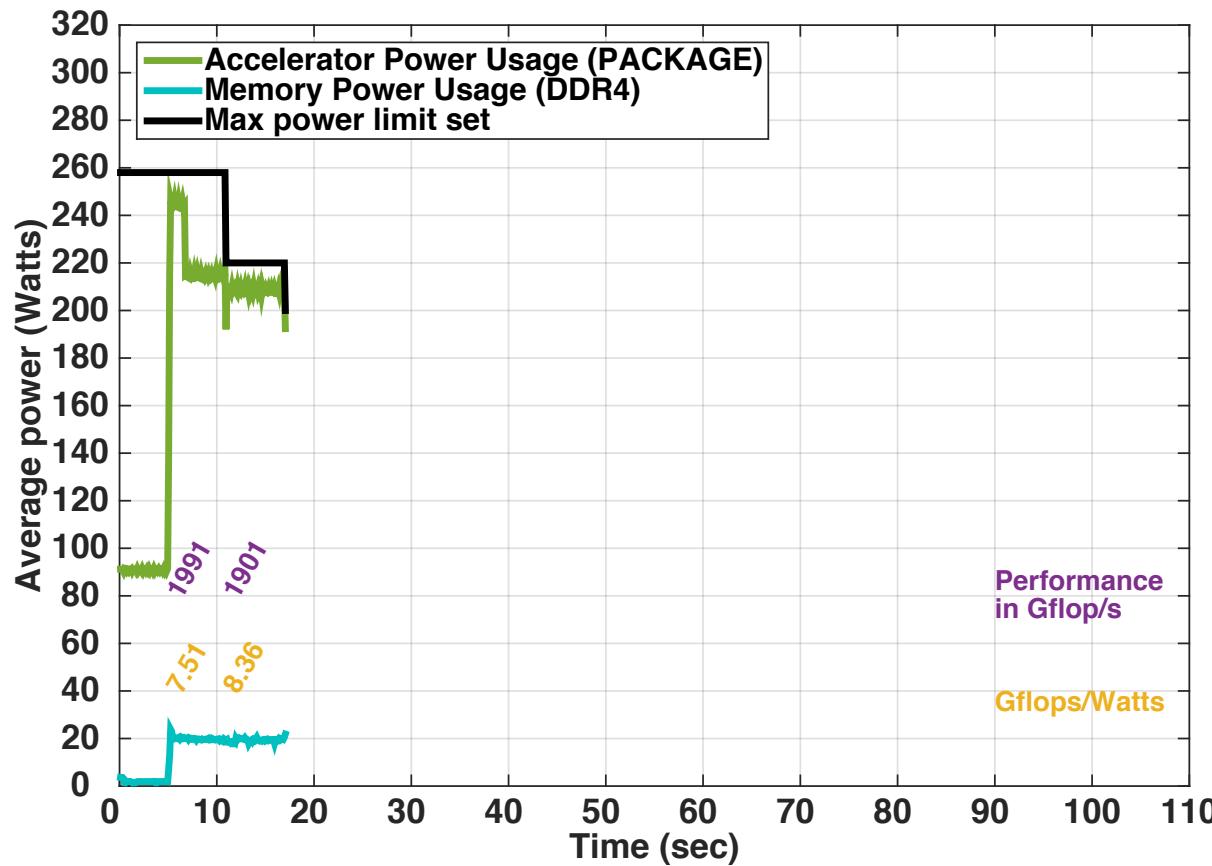


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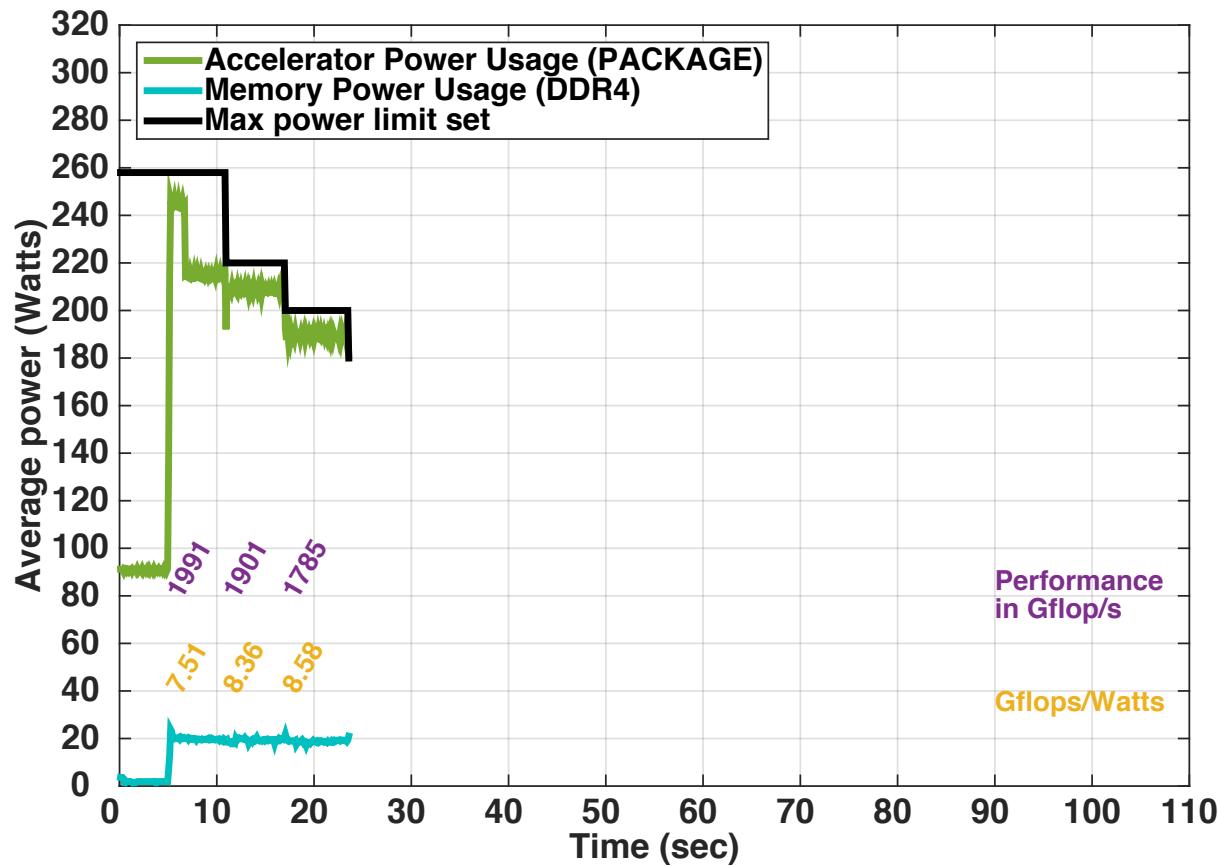


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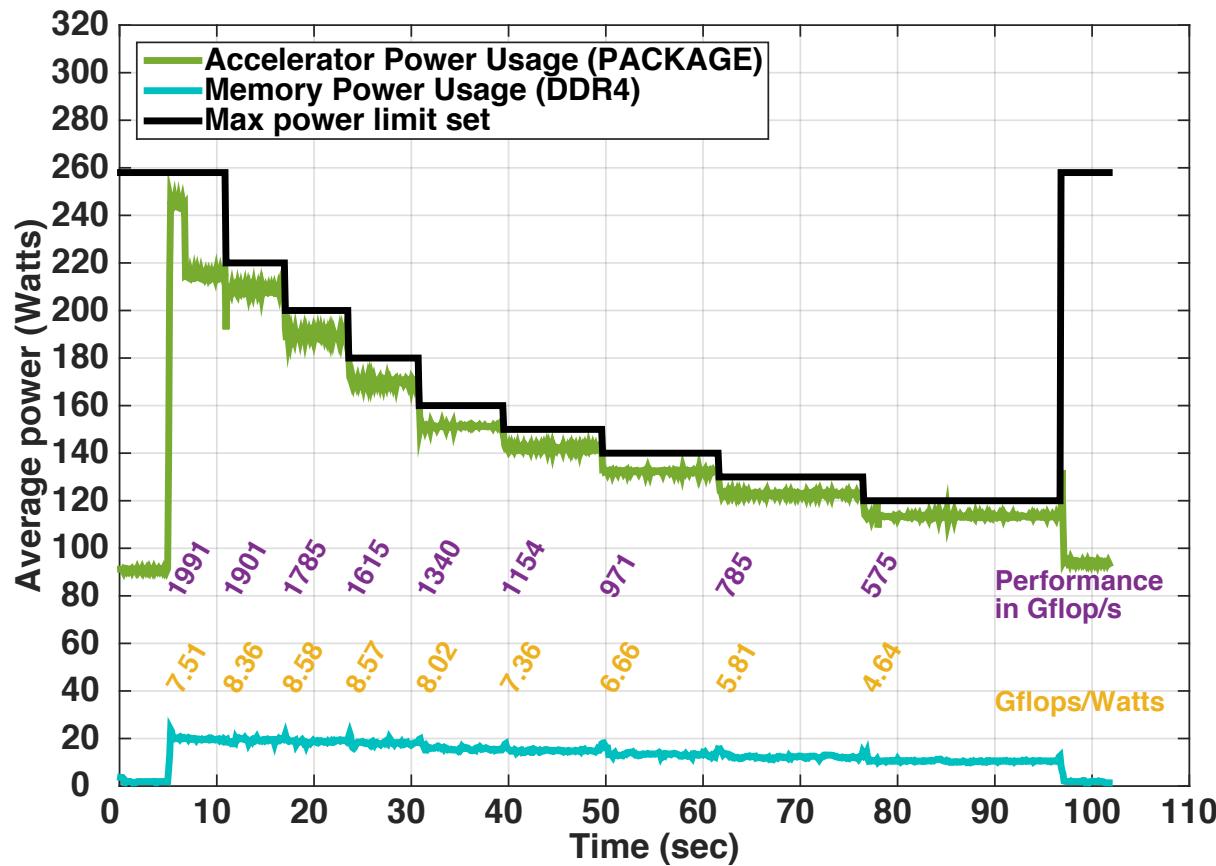


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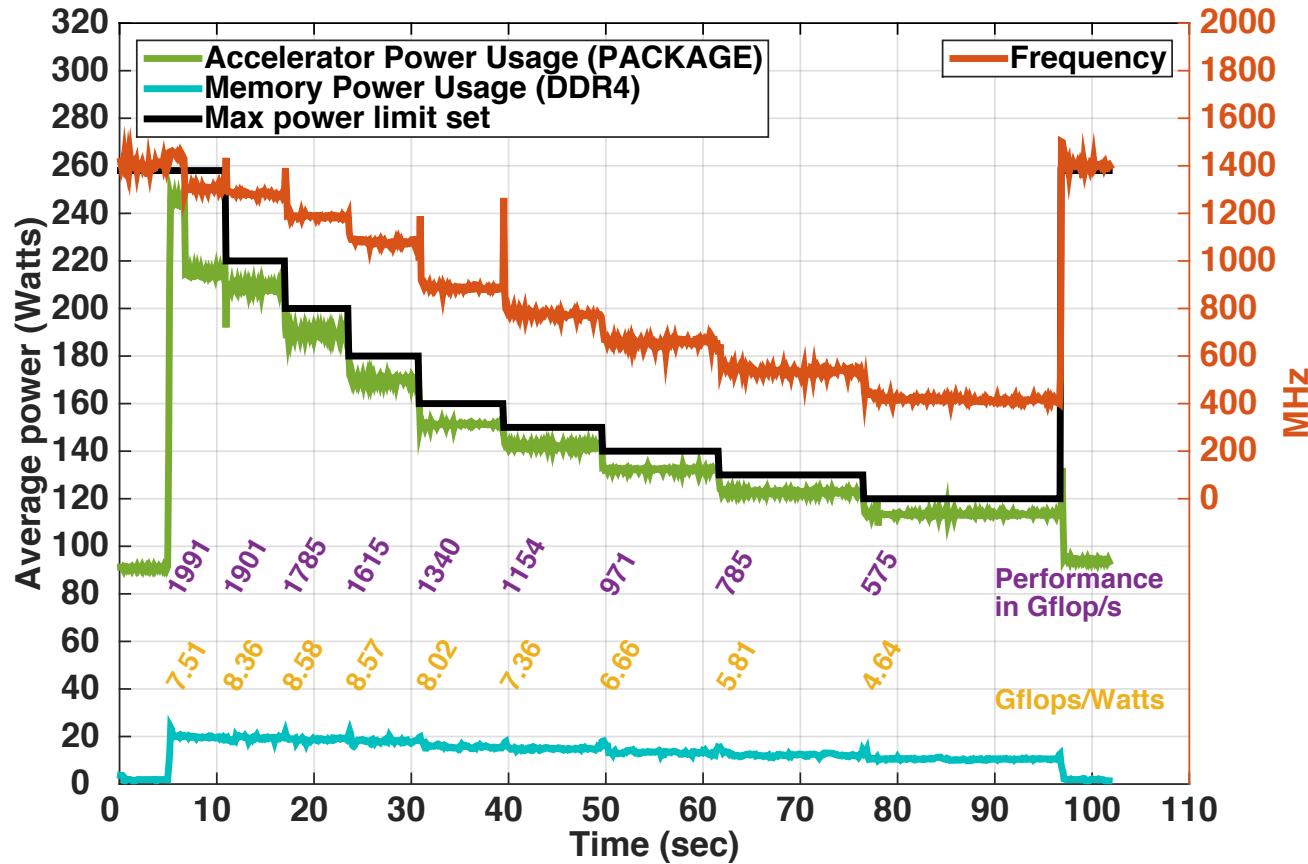


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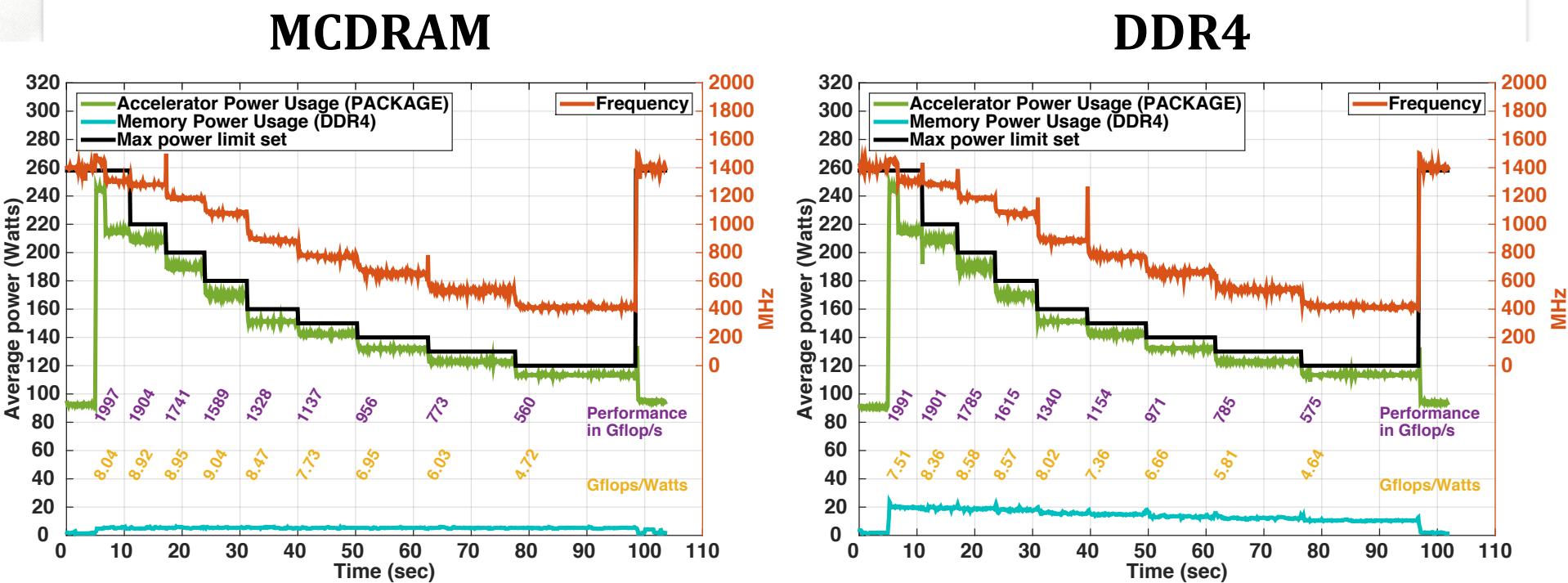
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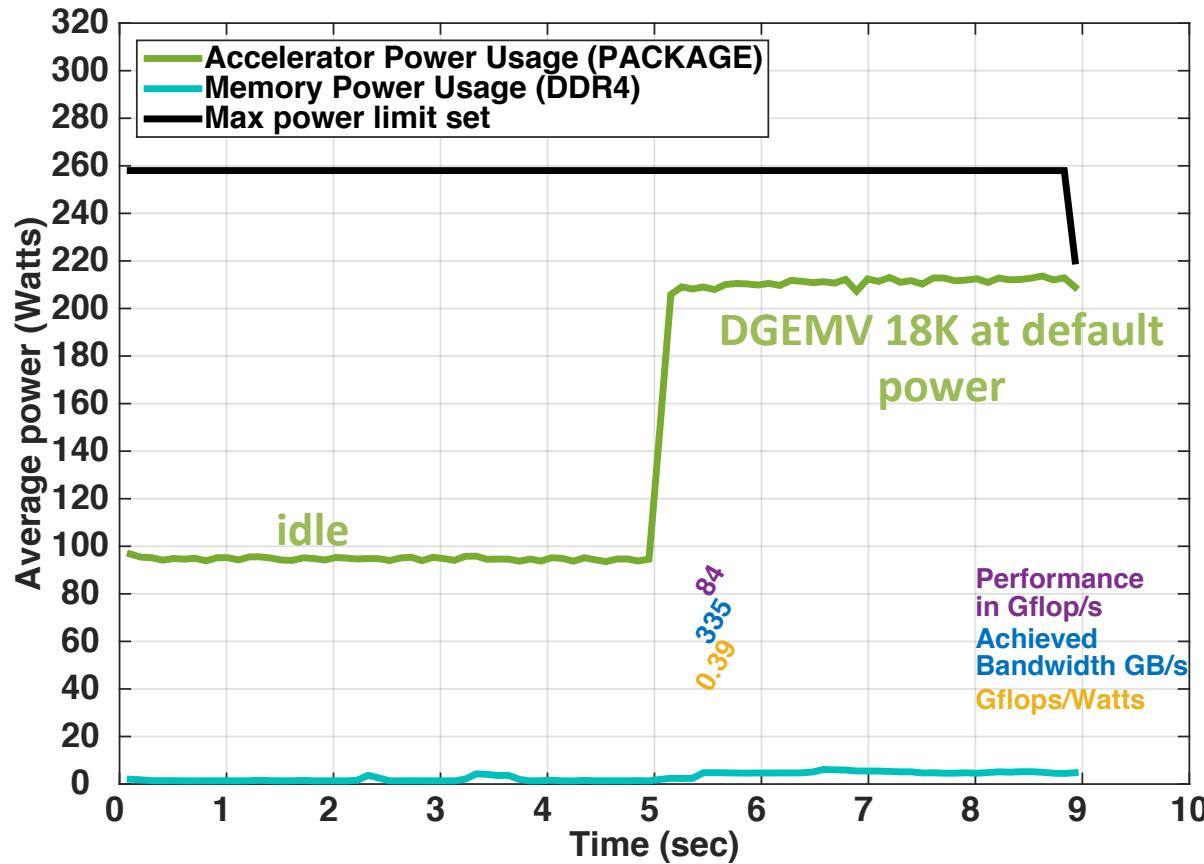
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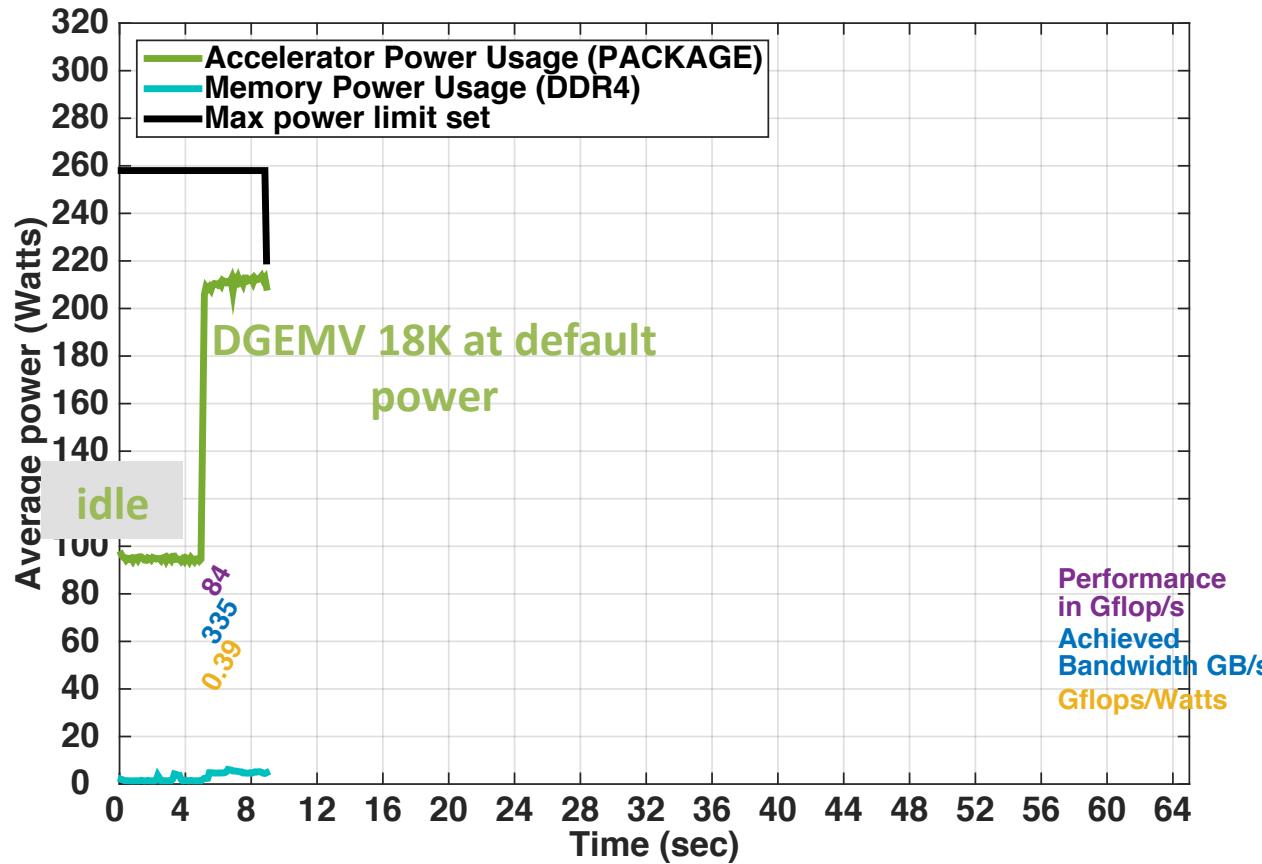


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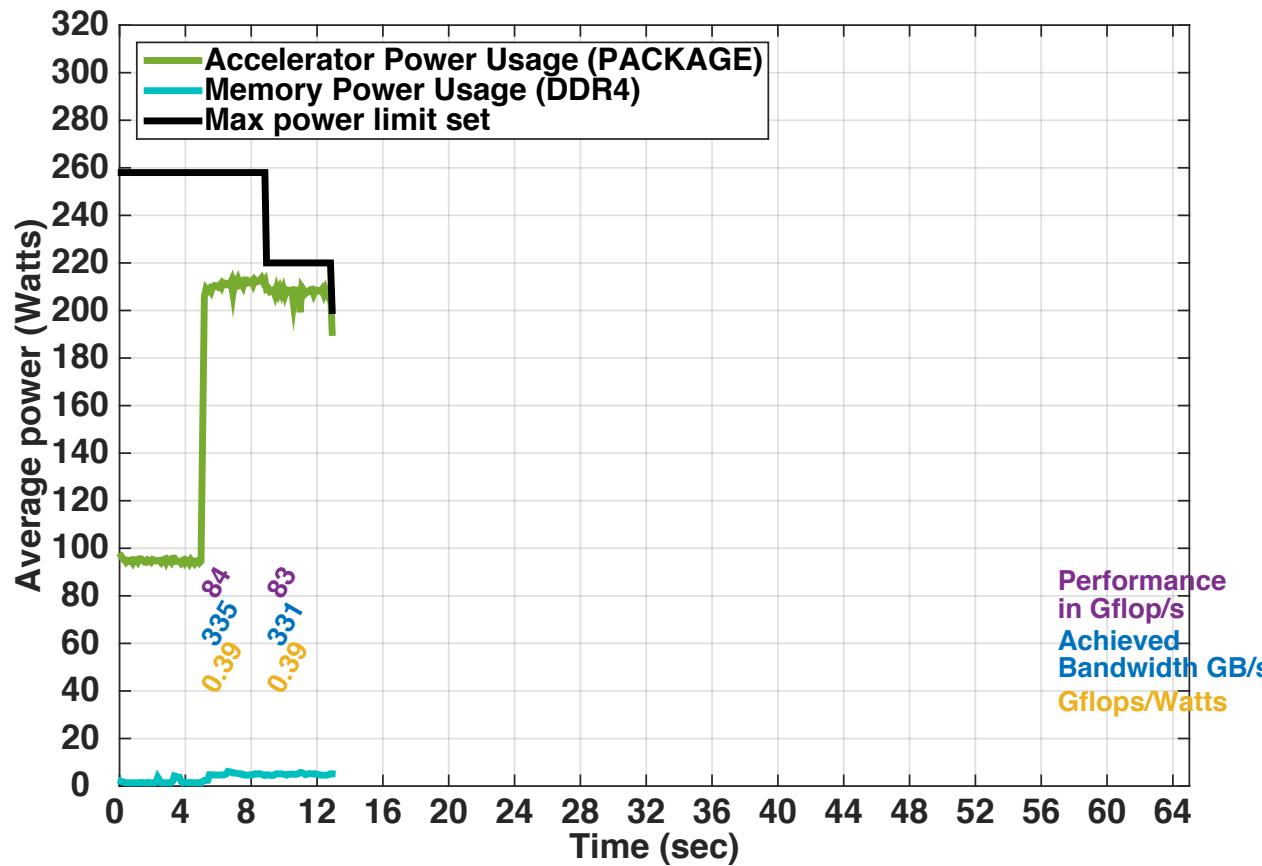


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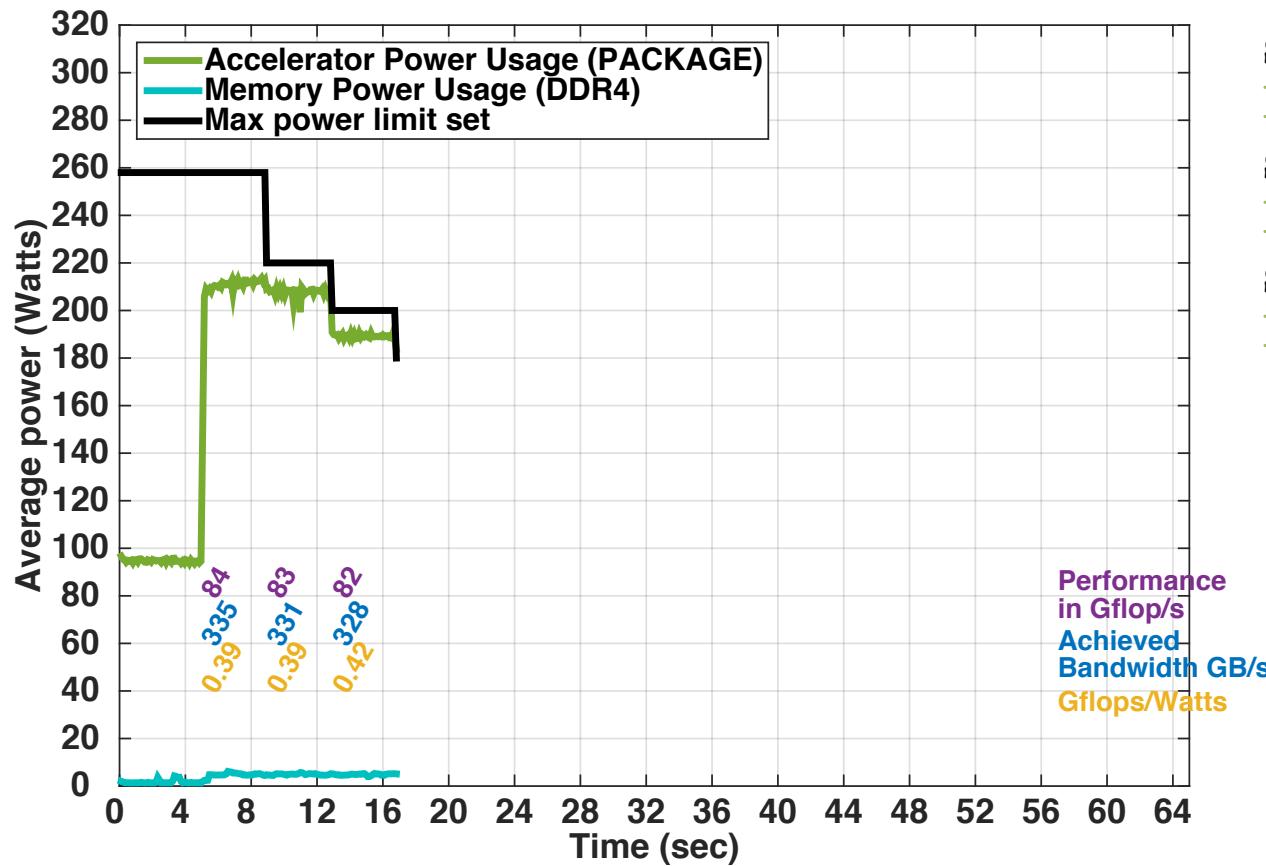


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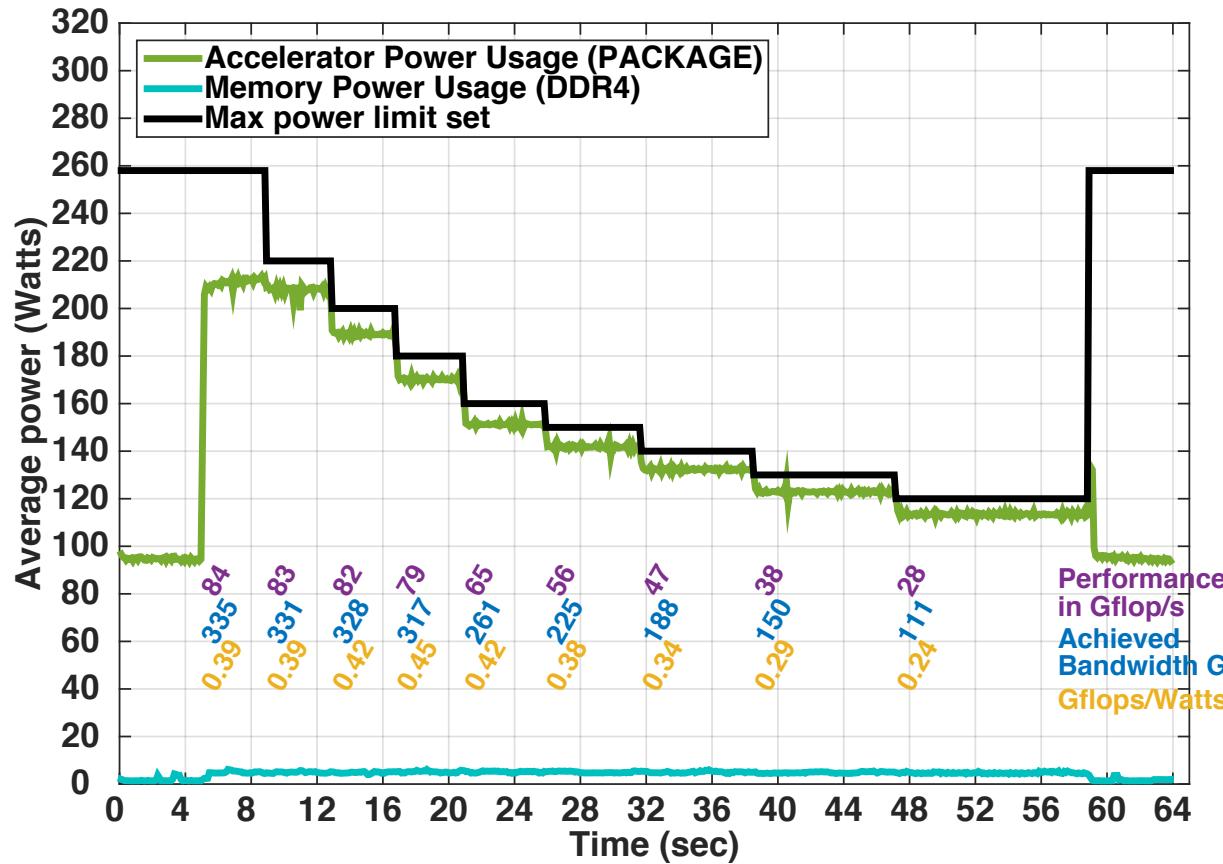


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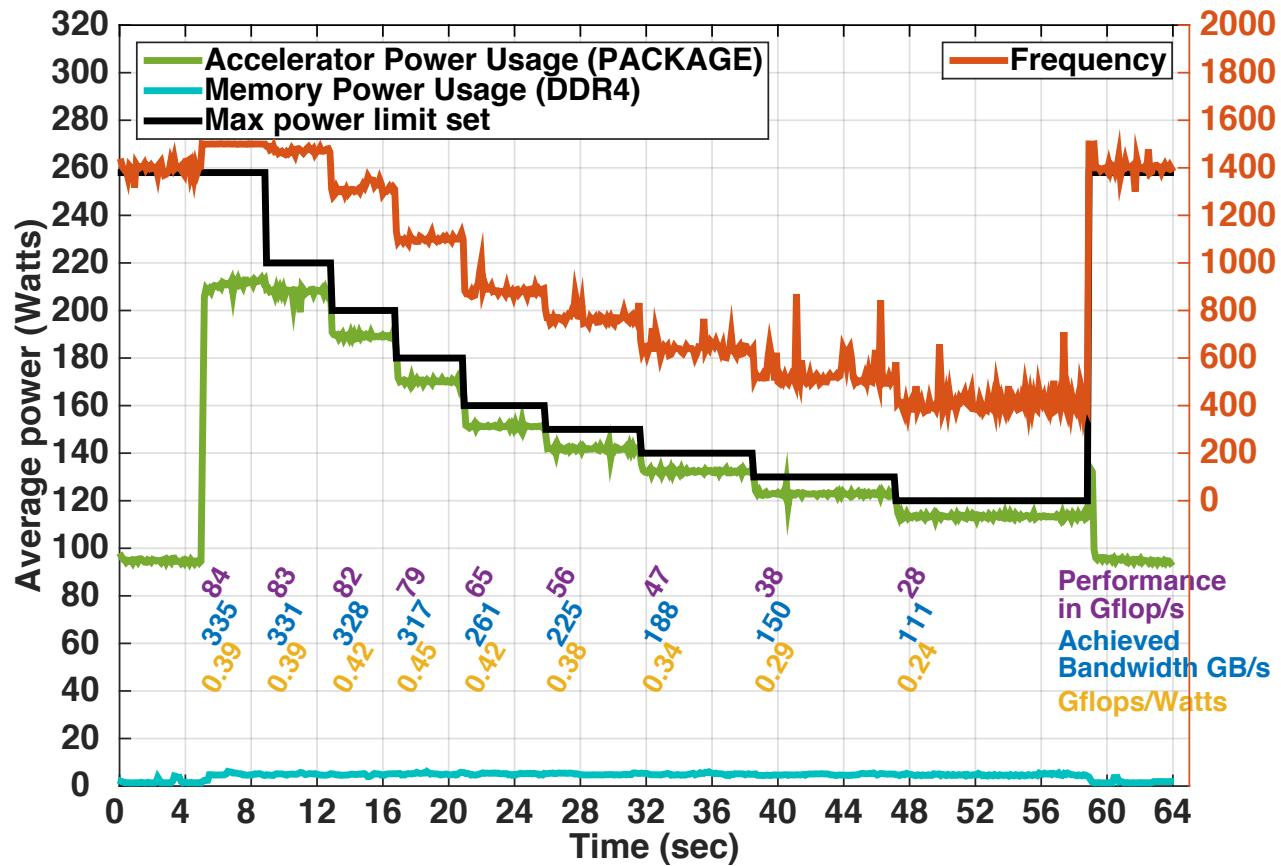


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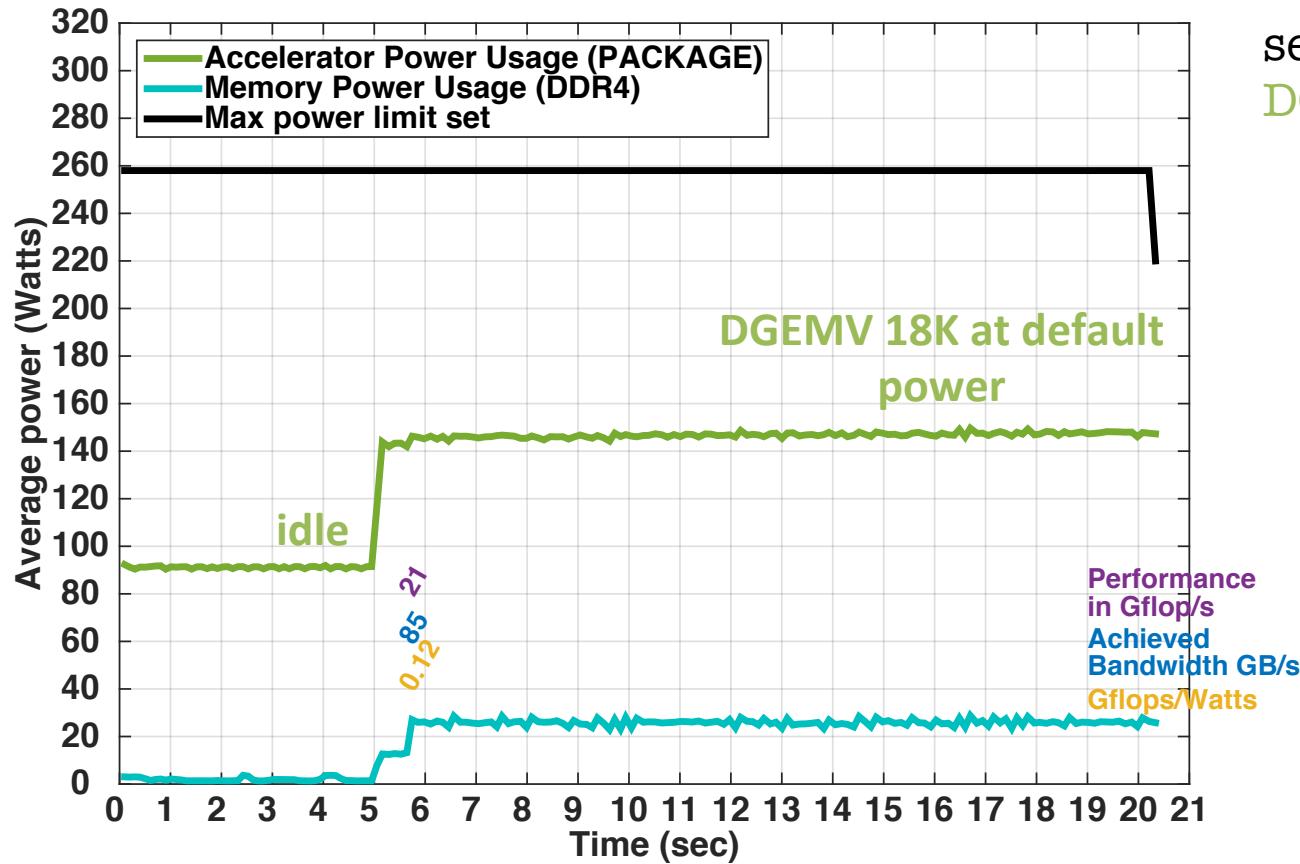


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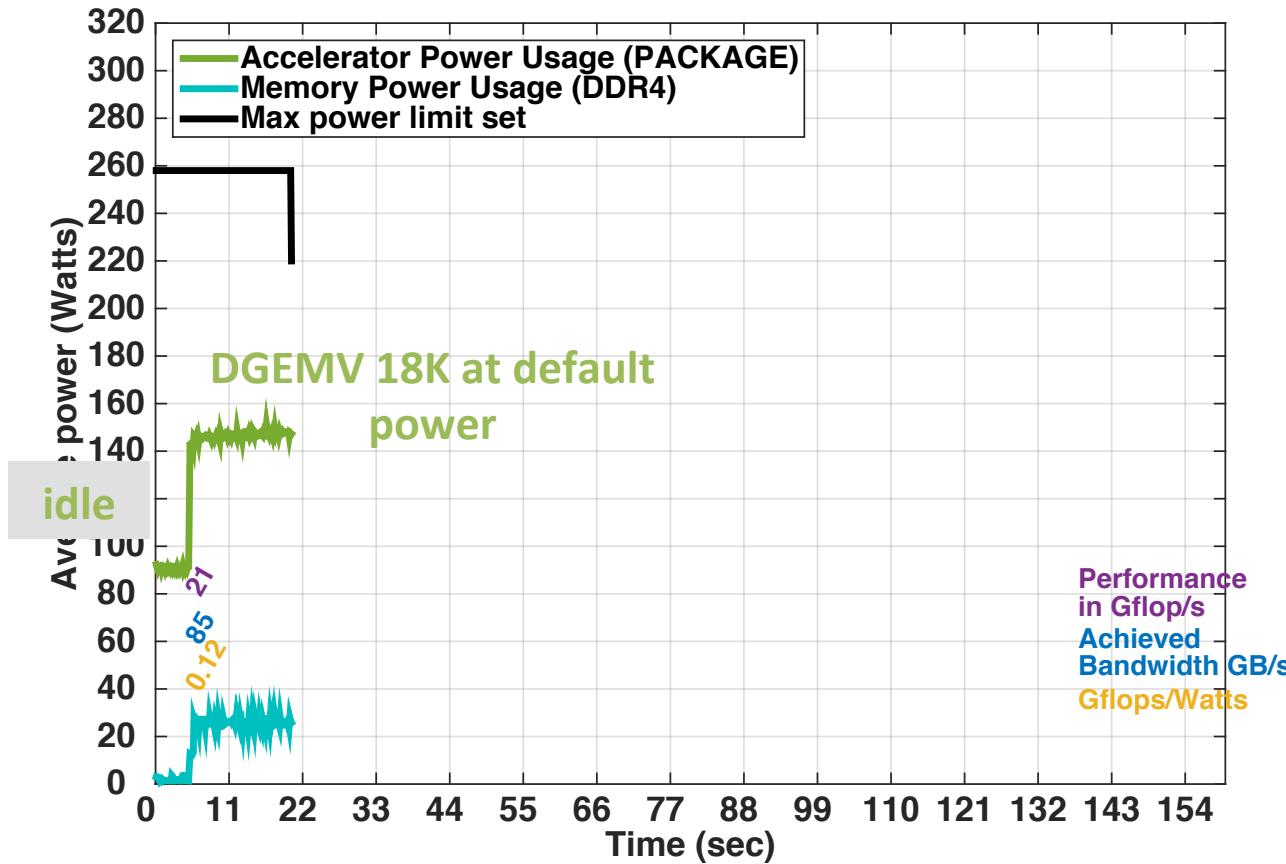


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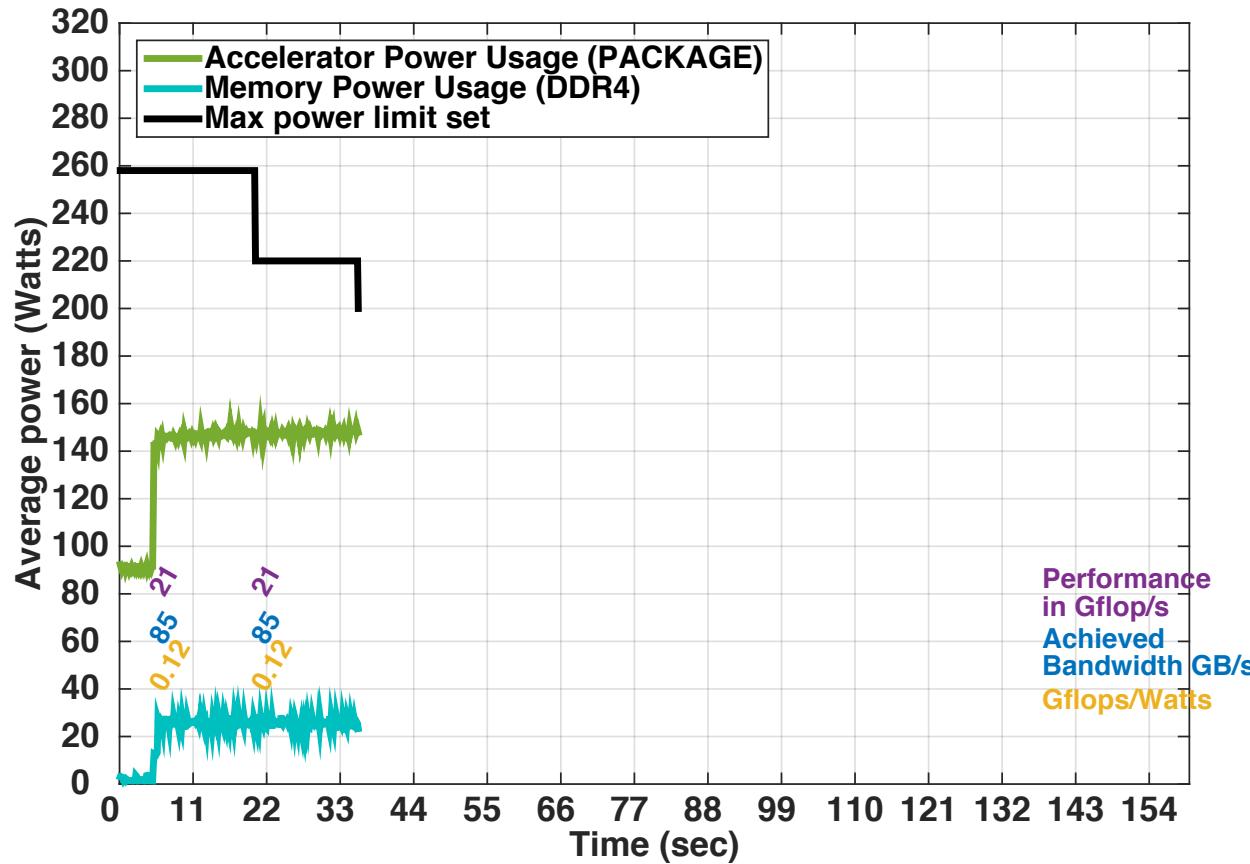


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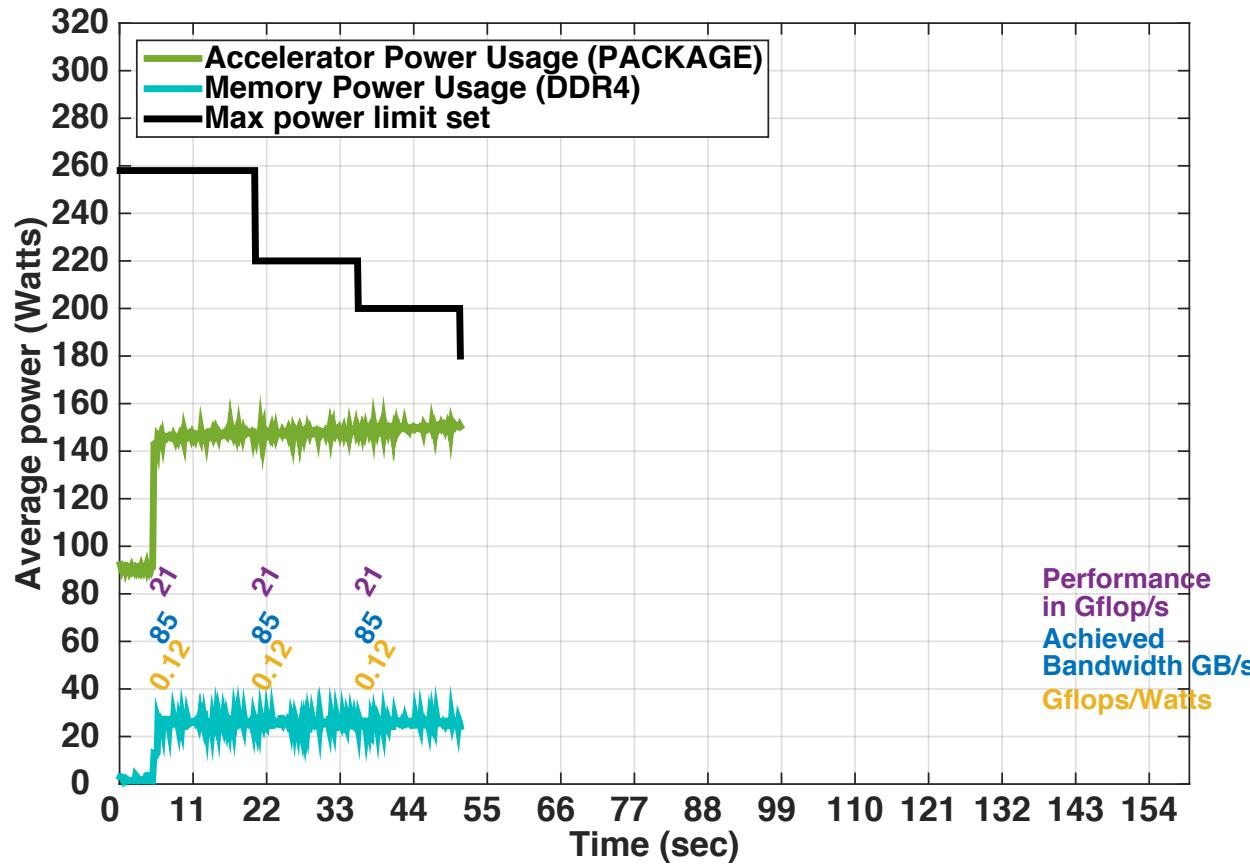


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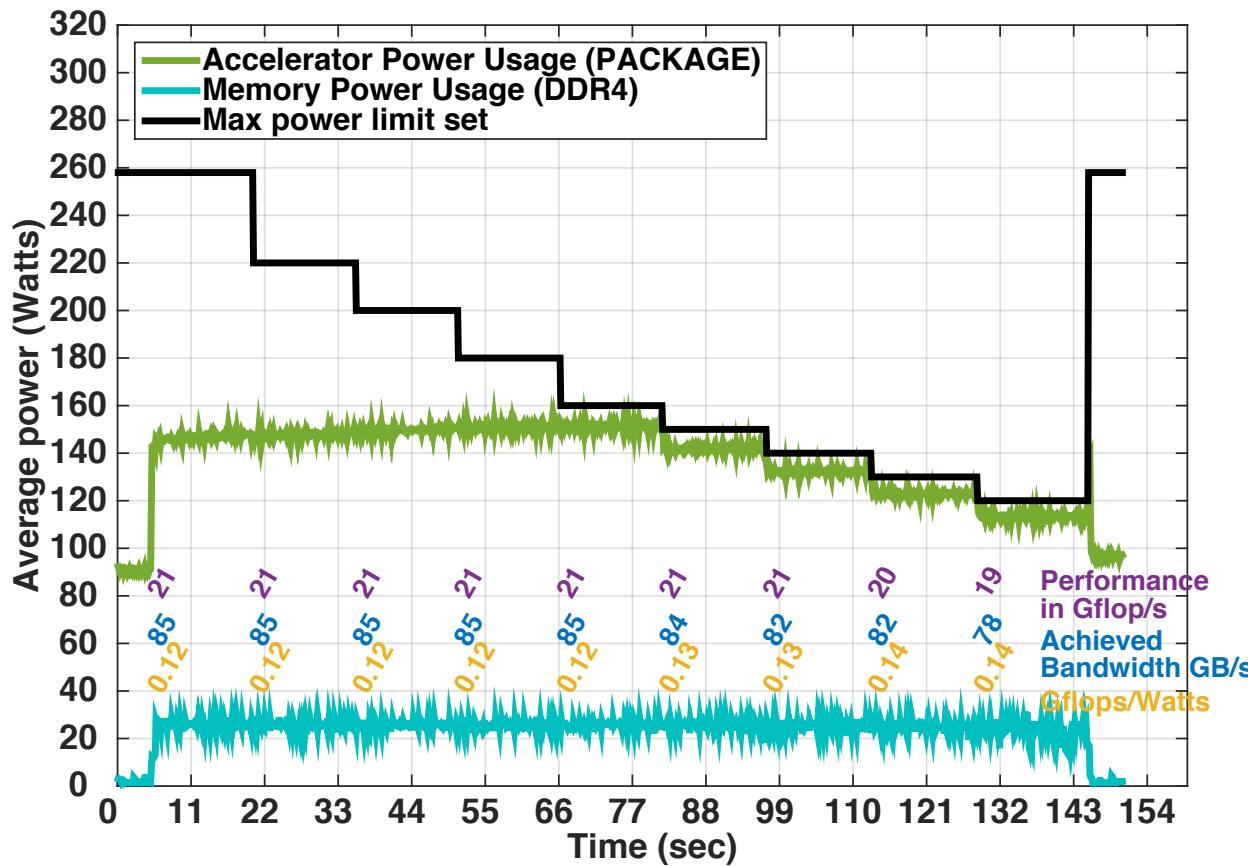


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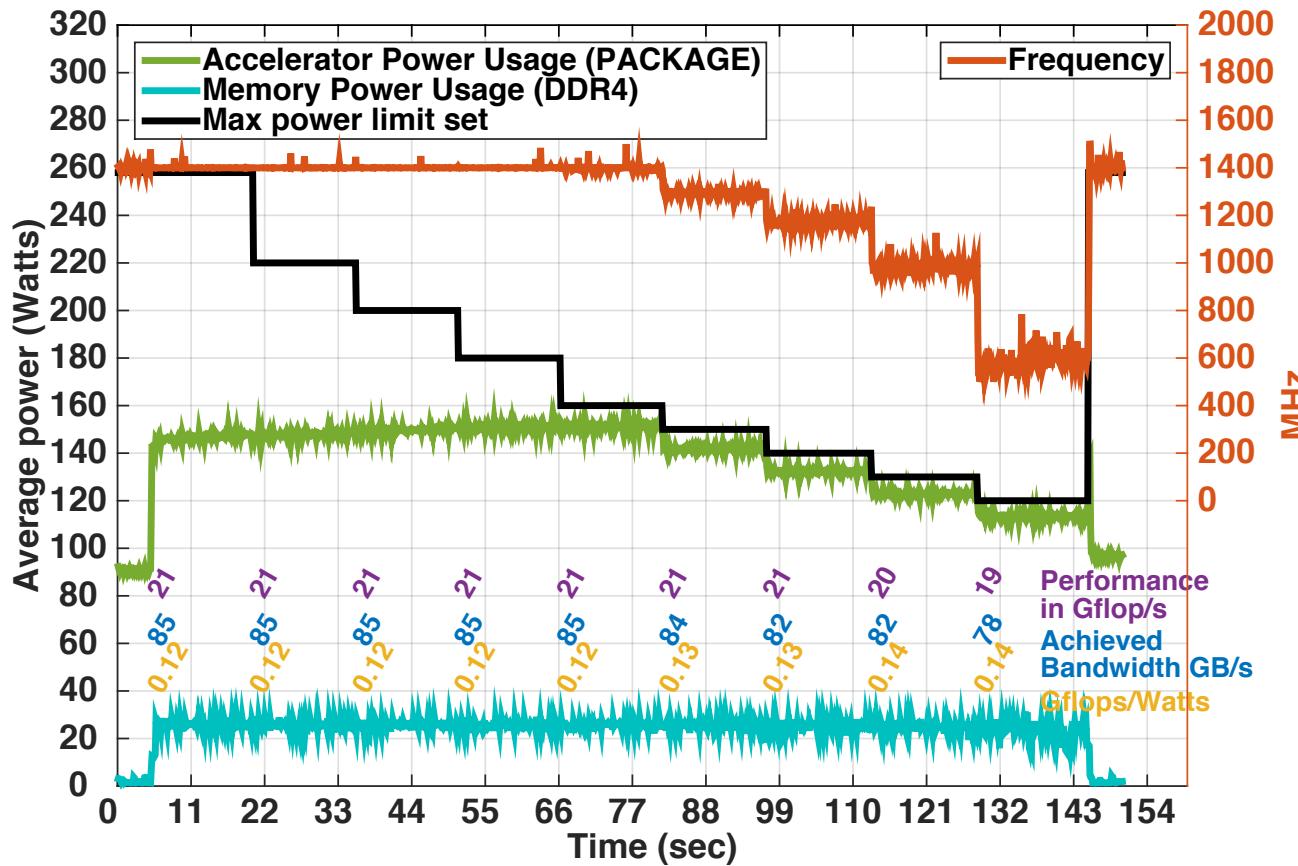


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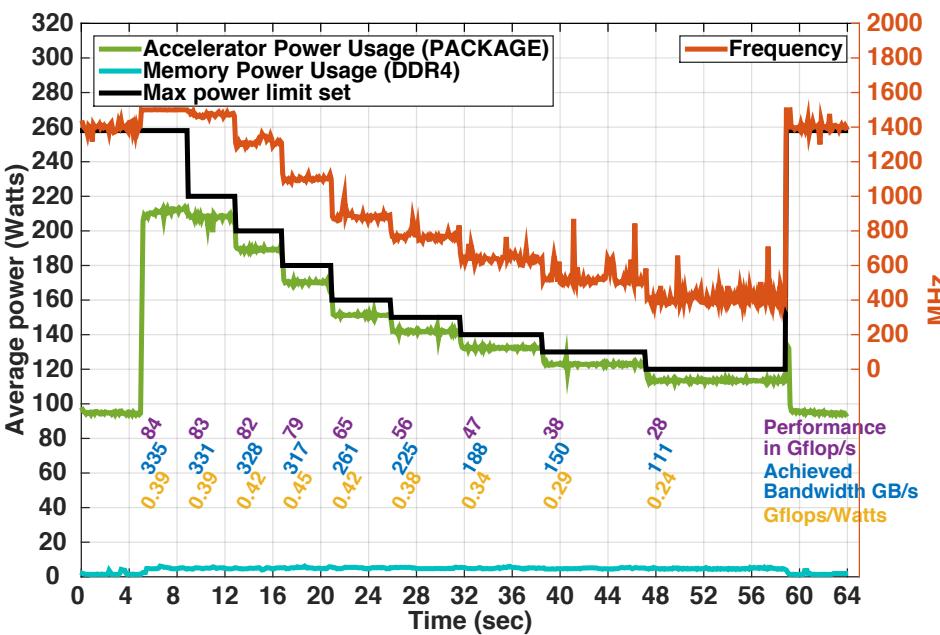


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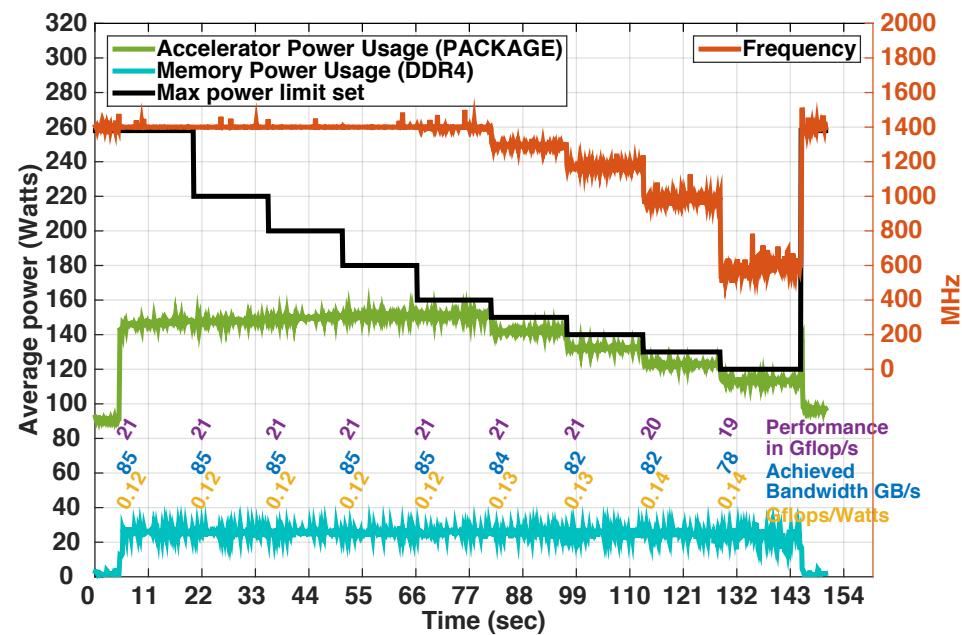
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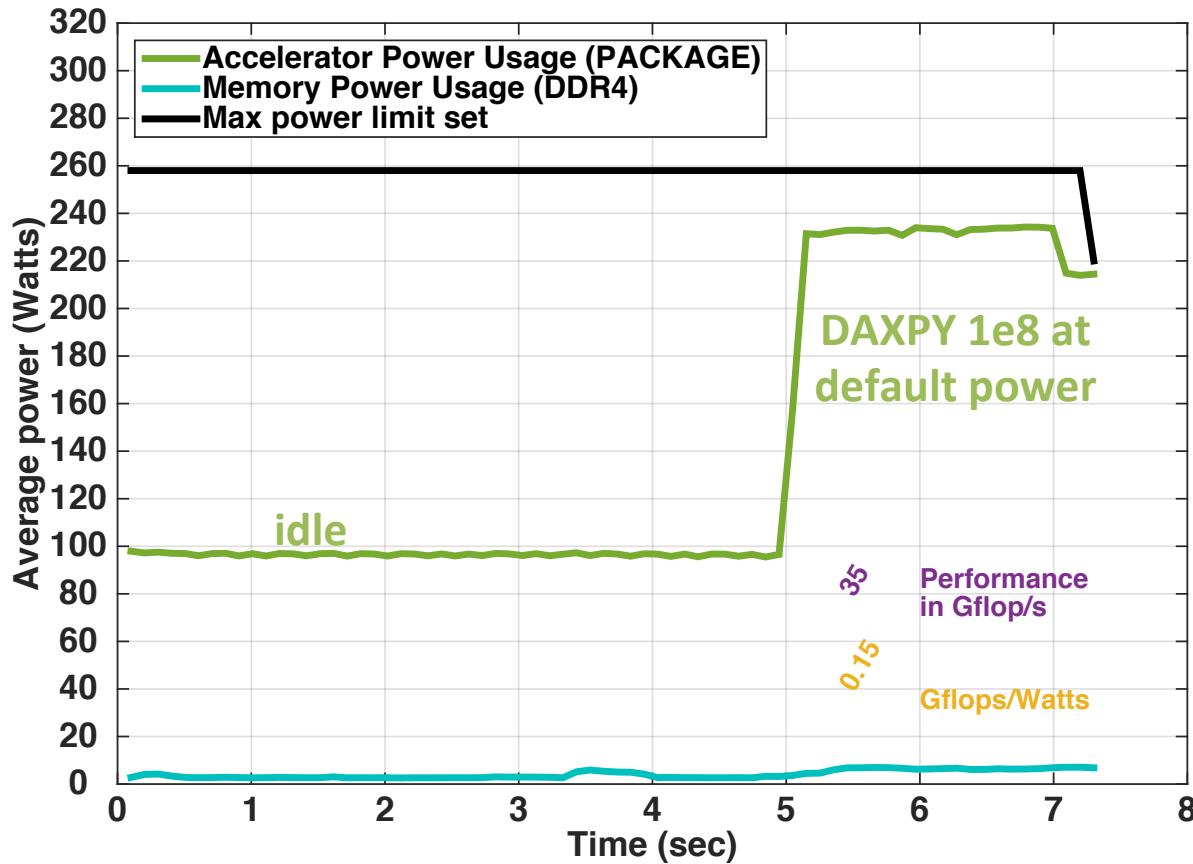
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- For MCDRAM, capping at 190 Watts results in power reduction without any loss if performance.
- For DDR4, capping at 130 Watts improves power efficiency by ~20%.
- Overall capping 40 Watts below the observed power at default setting provide about 20% reduction without any loss in time to solution.

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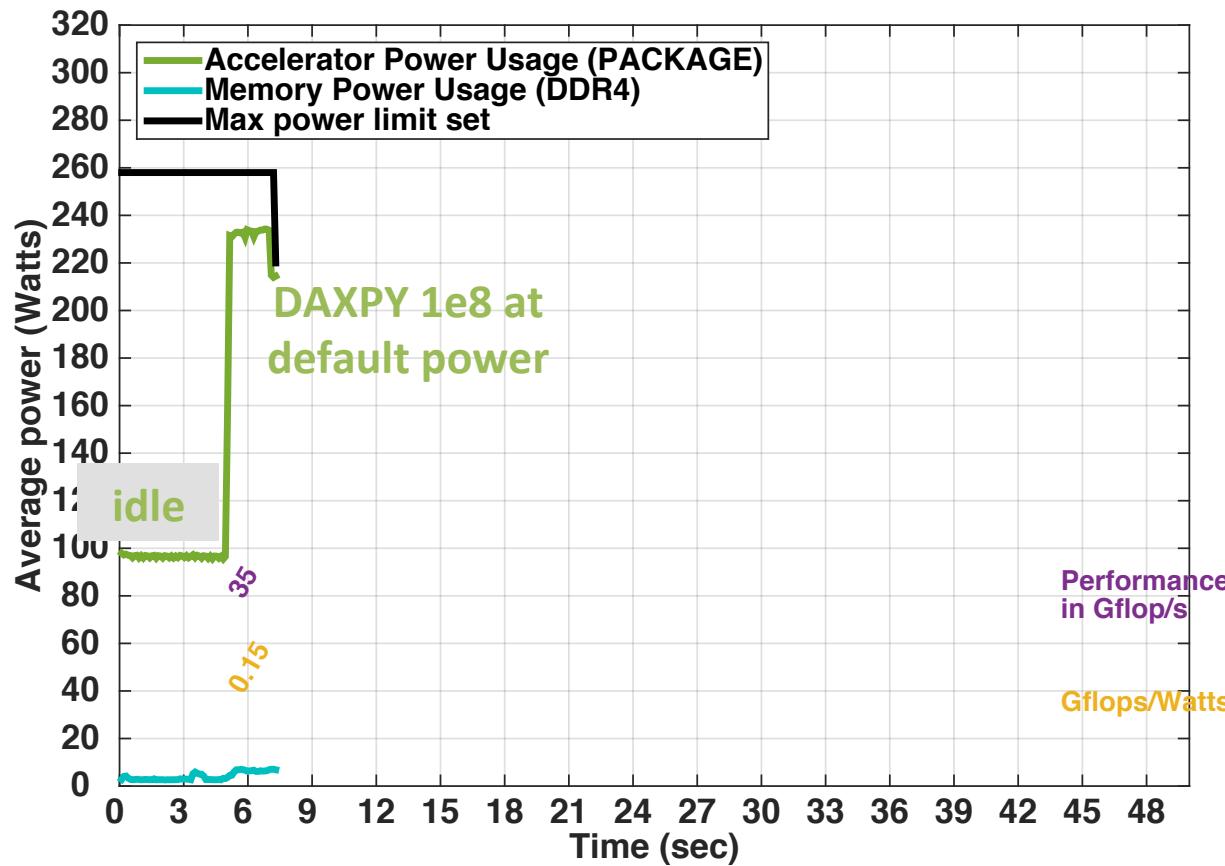


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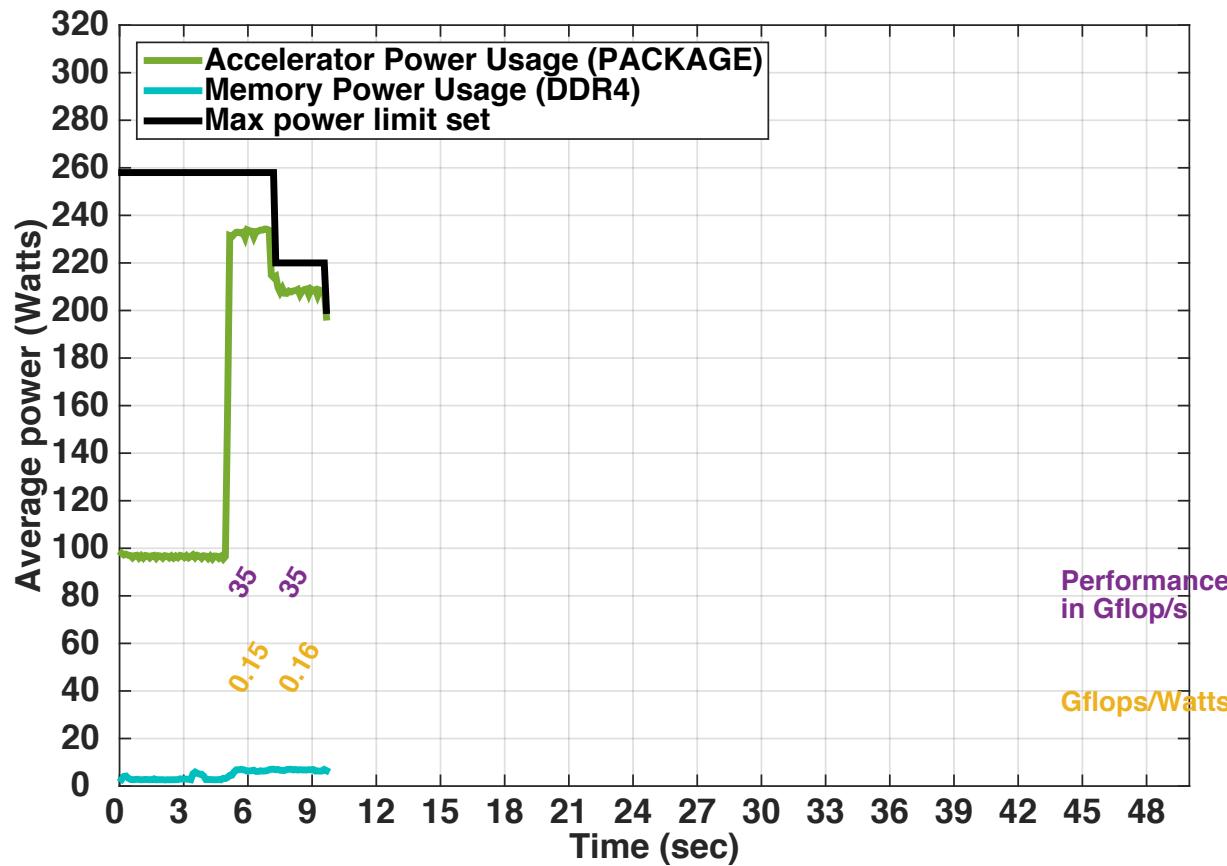


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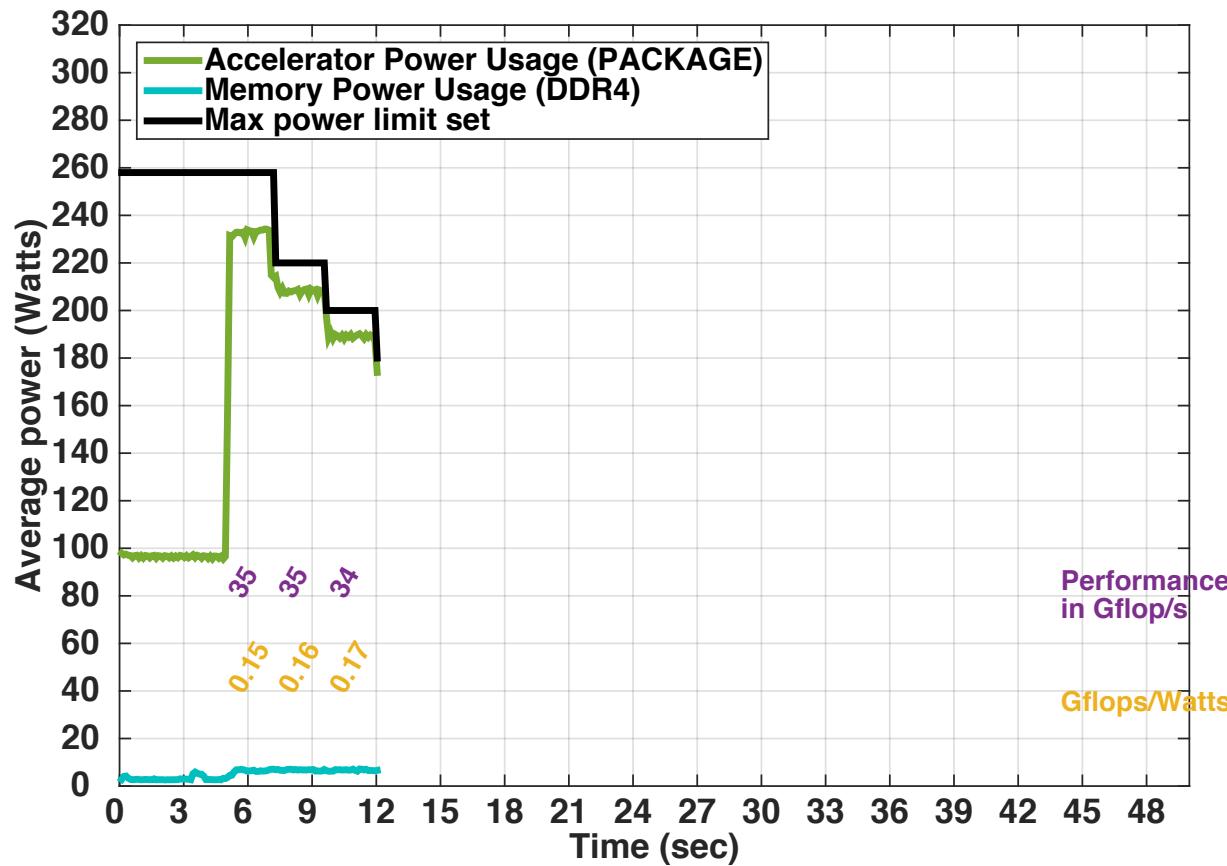


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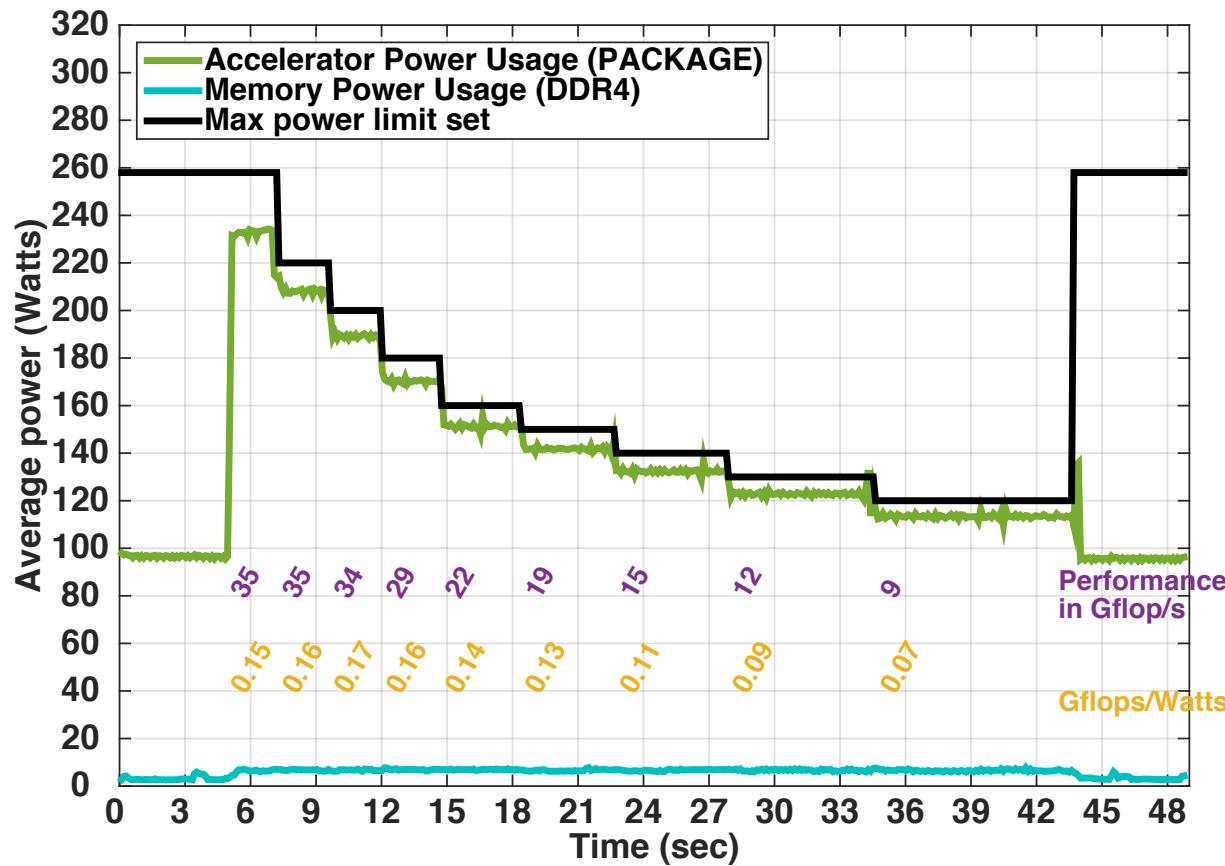


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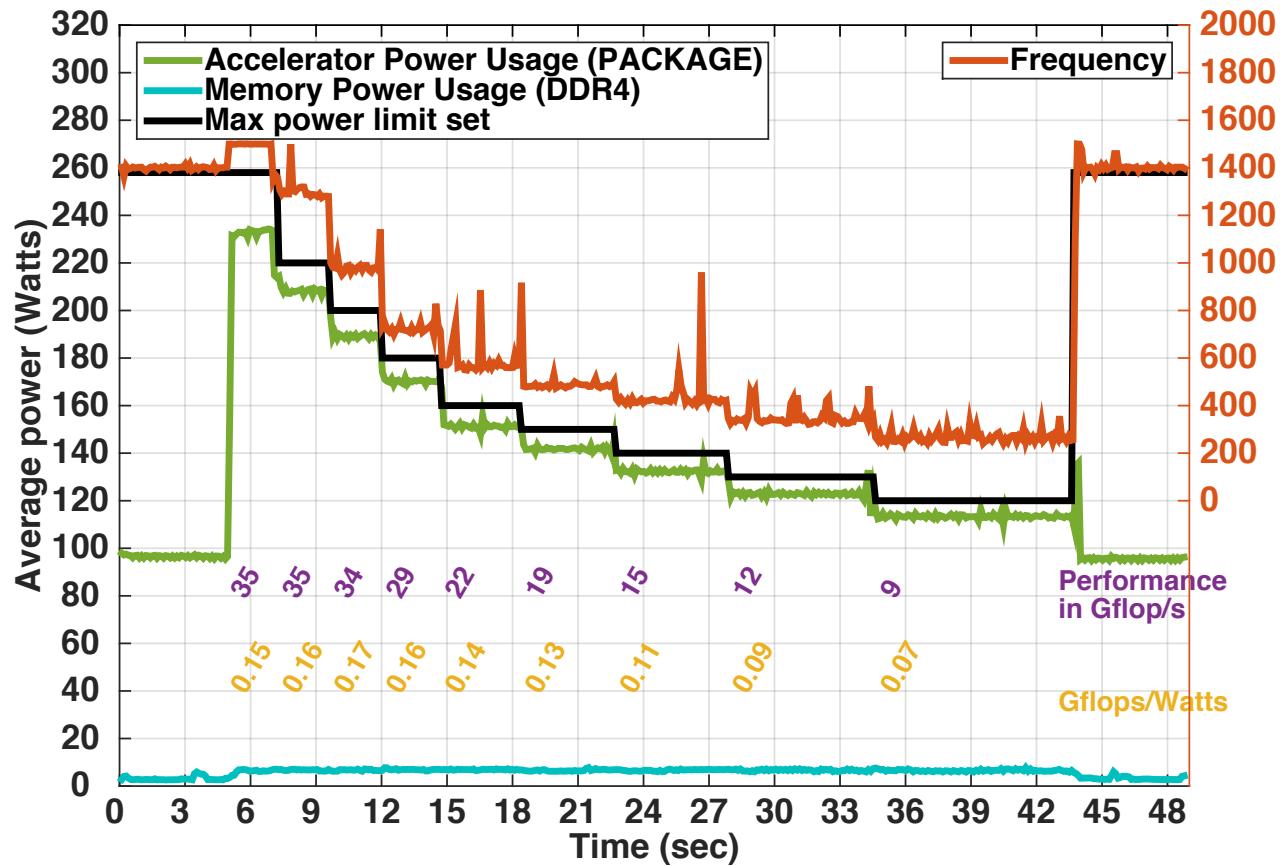


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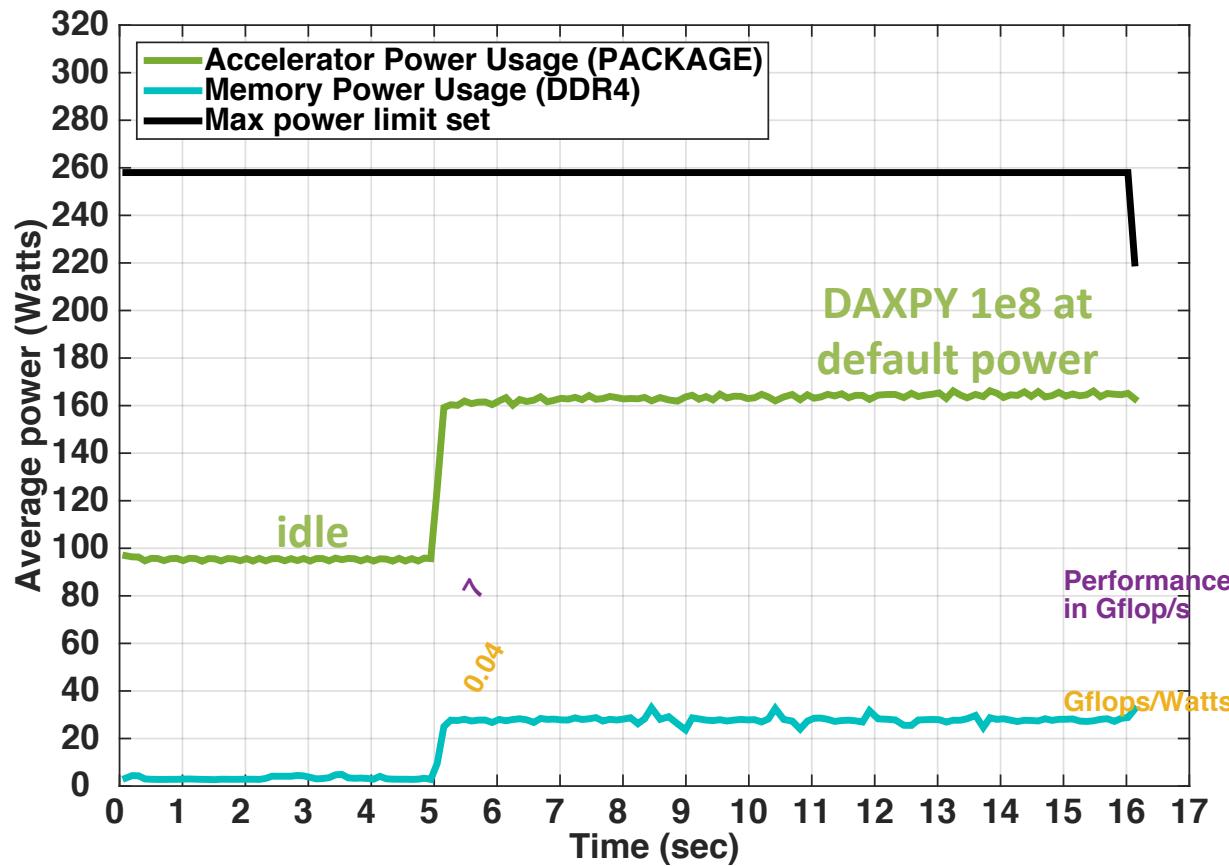


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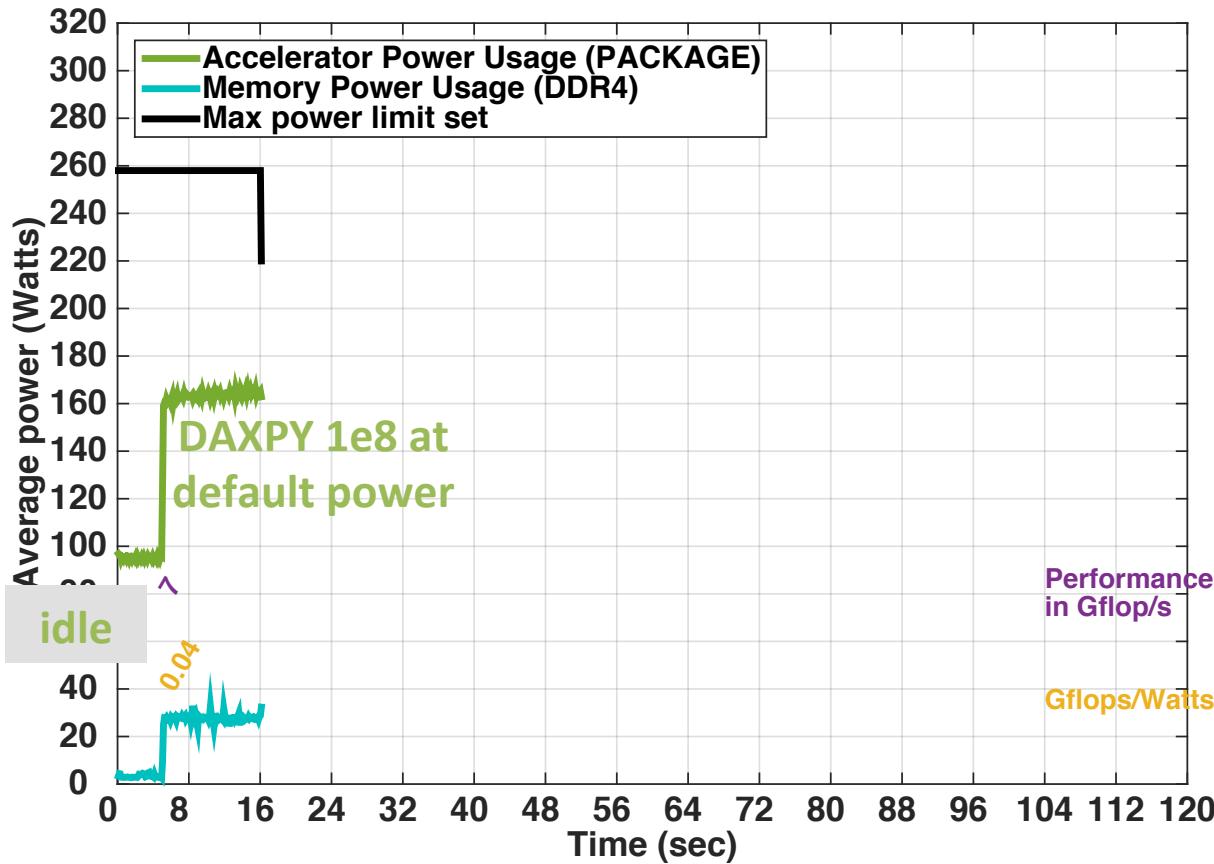


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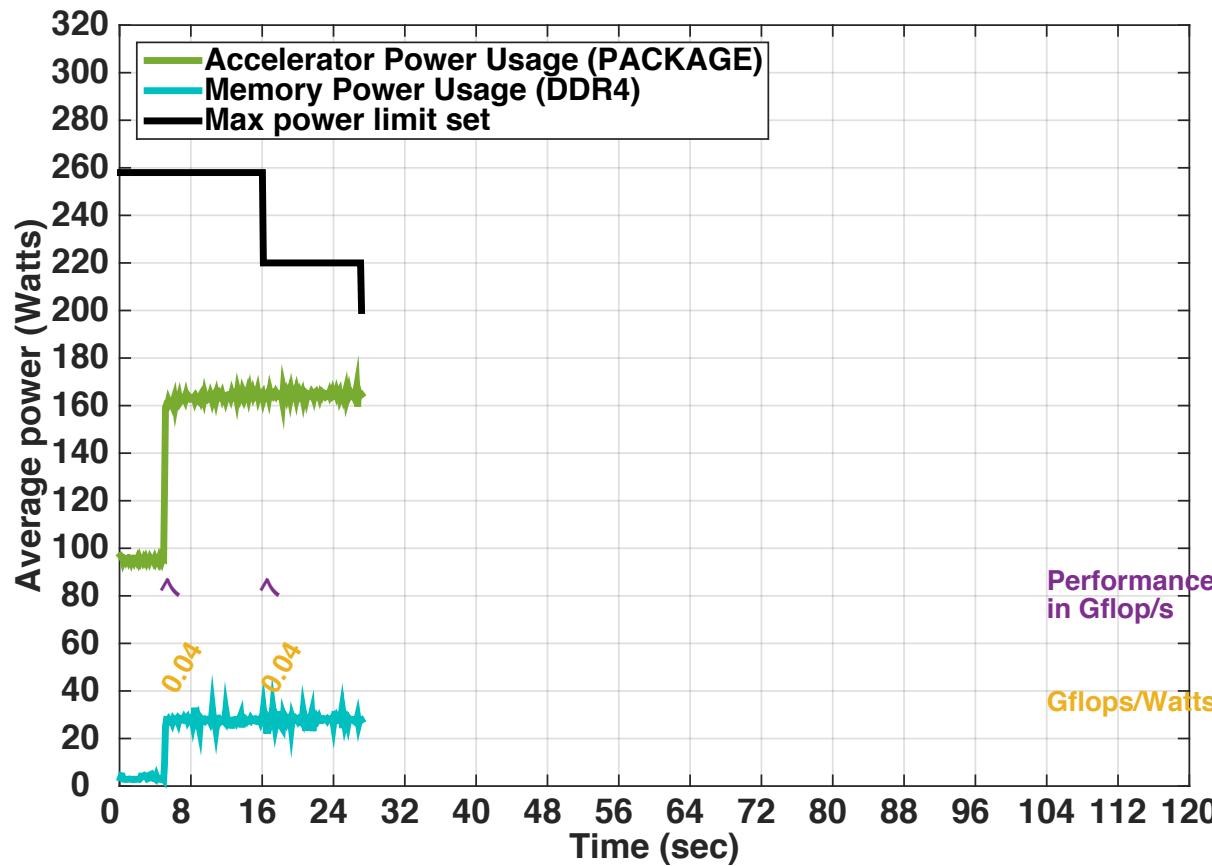


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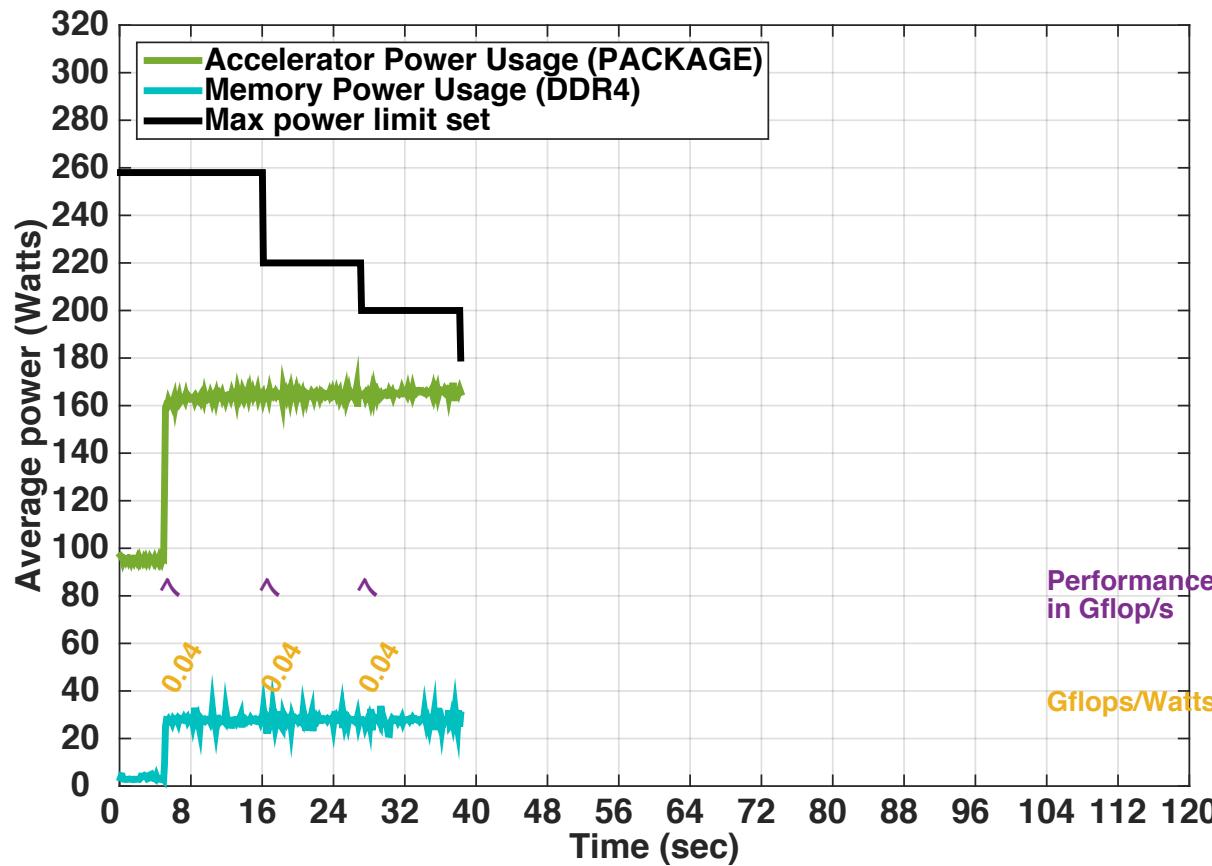


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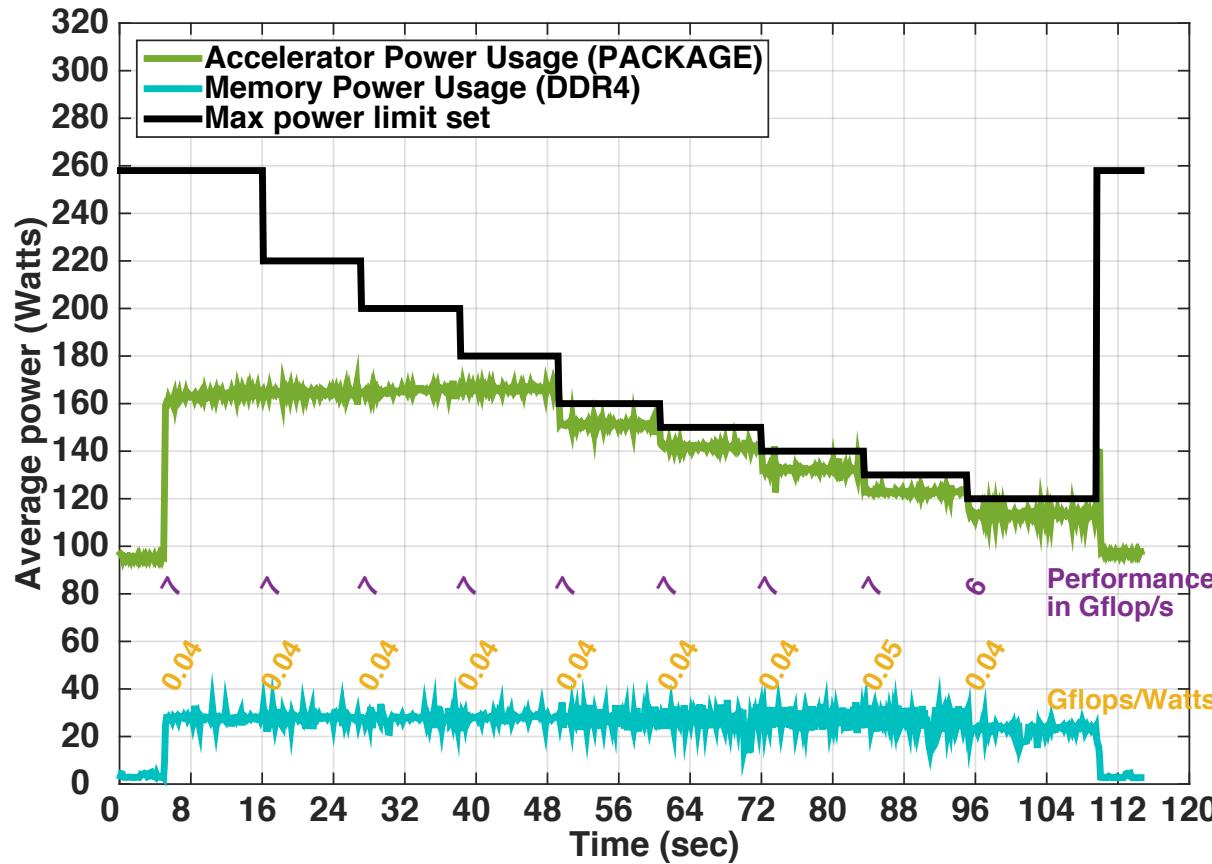


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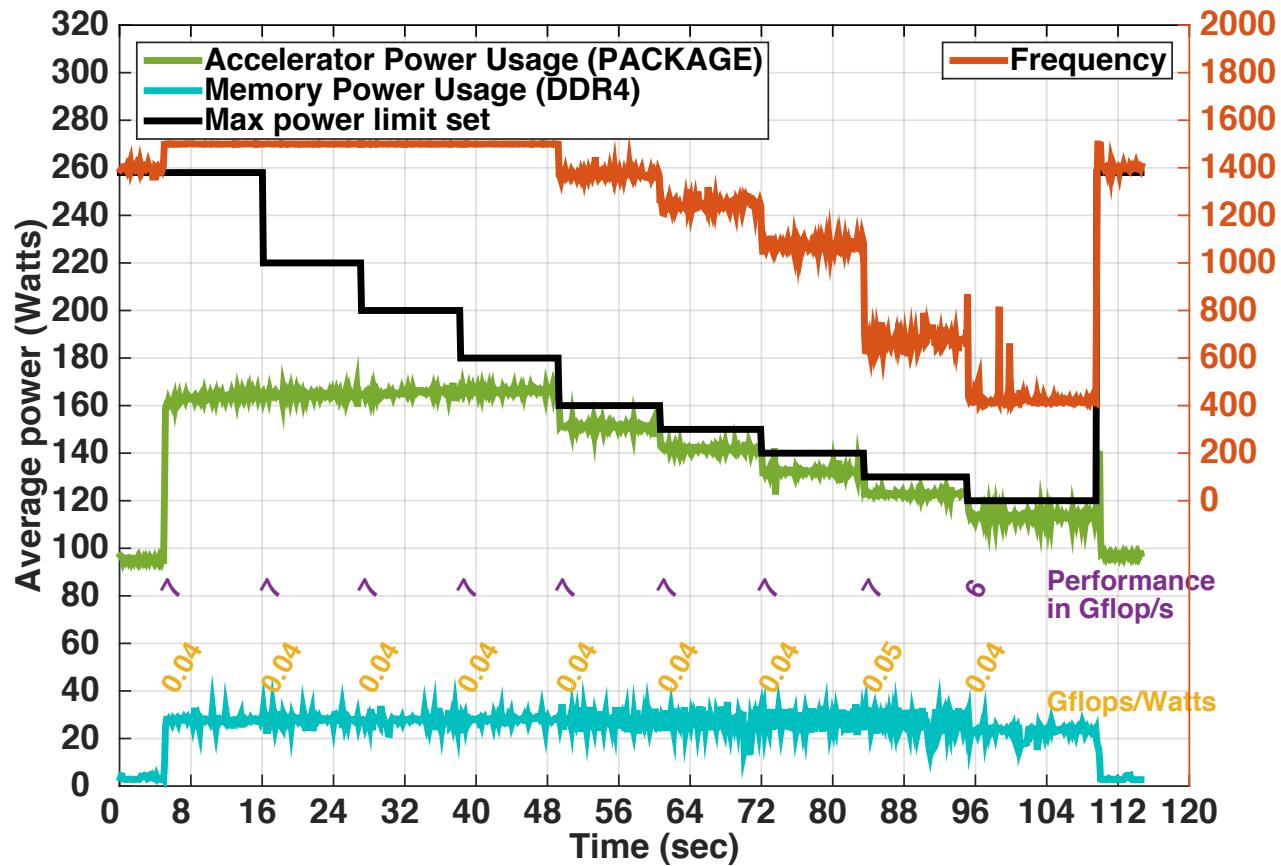


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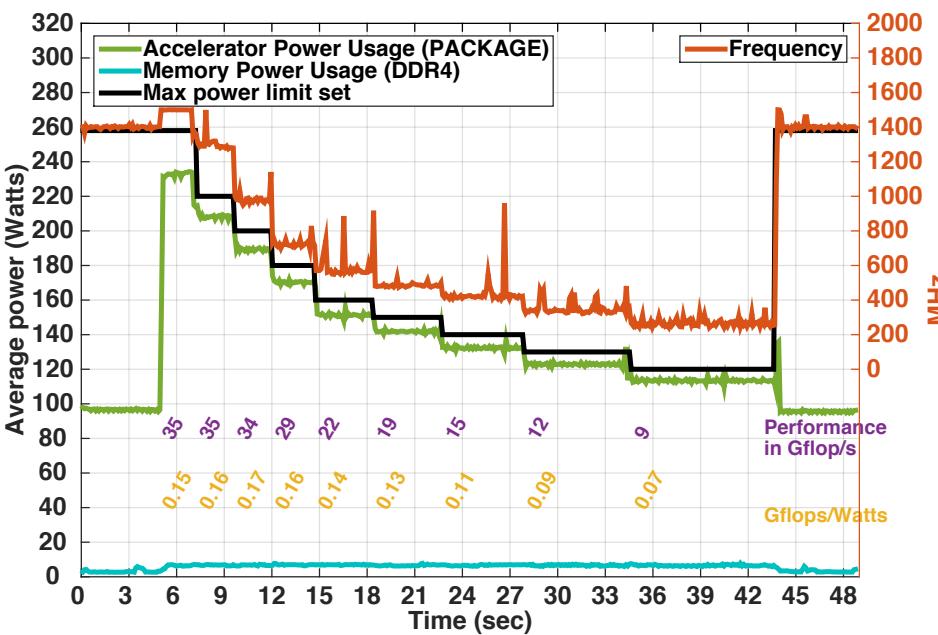


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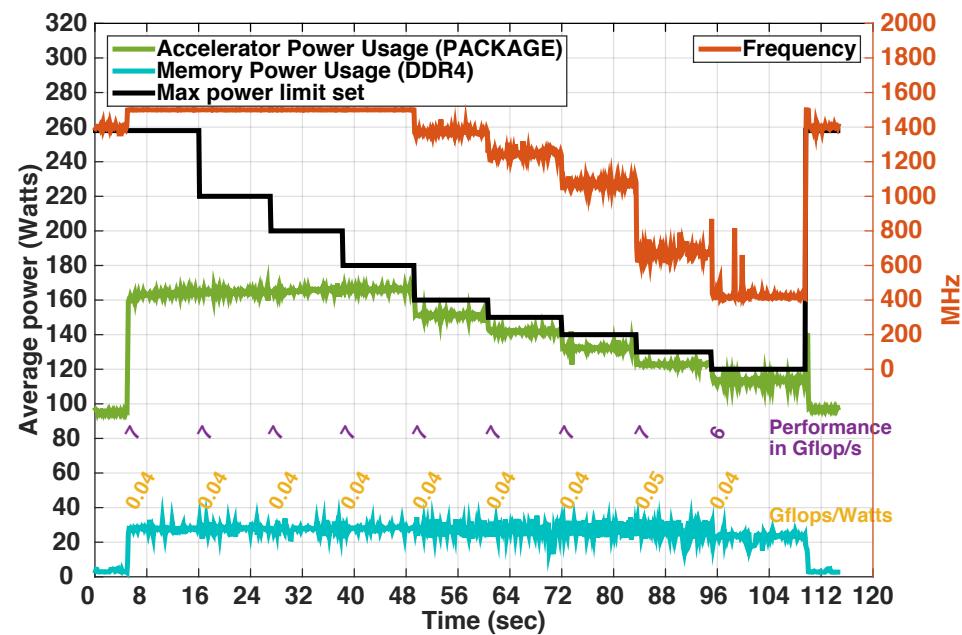
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DDR4



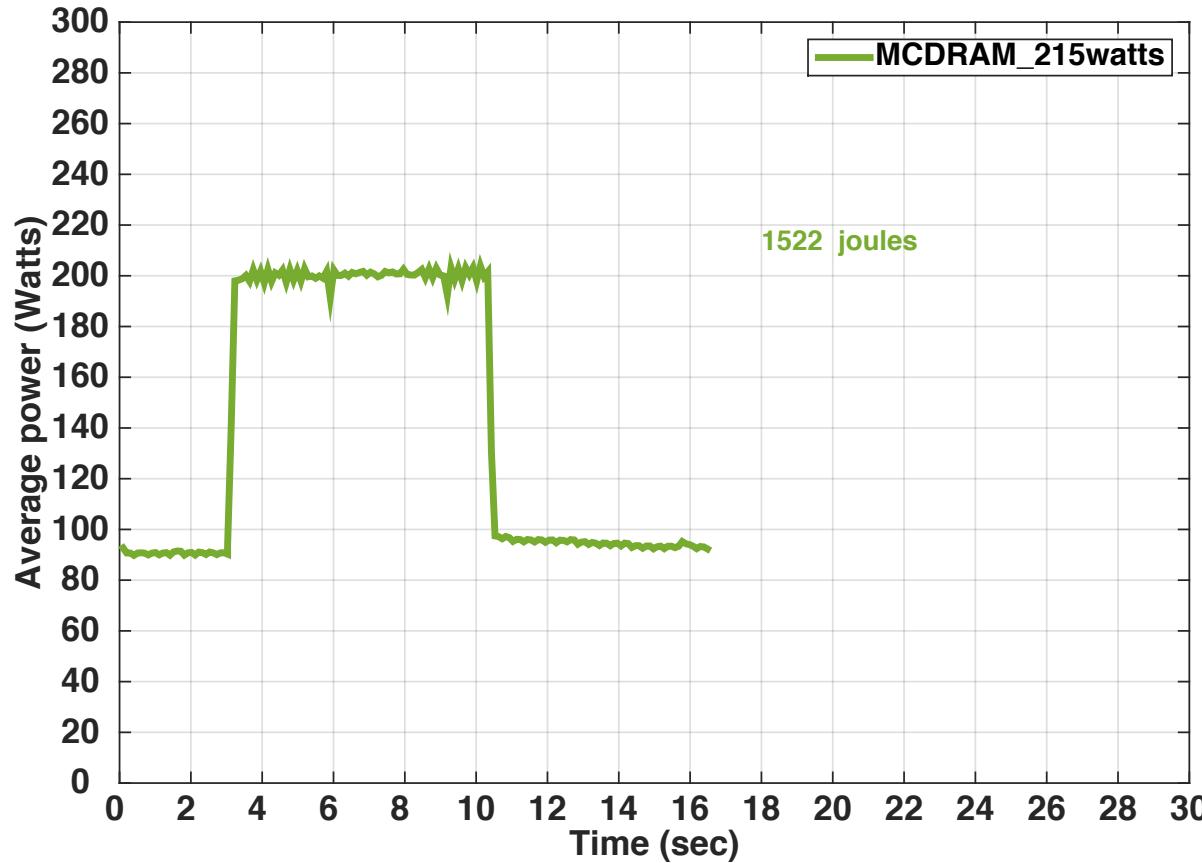
Lesson for DAXPY type of operations (memory bound):

- For MCDRAM, capping at 170 Watts results in power reduction without any loss in performance.
- For DDR4, capping at 130 Watts improves power efficiency by ~20%.
- Overall capping 40 Watts below the observed power at default setting provide about 20% reduction without any loss in time to solution.

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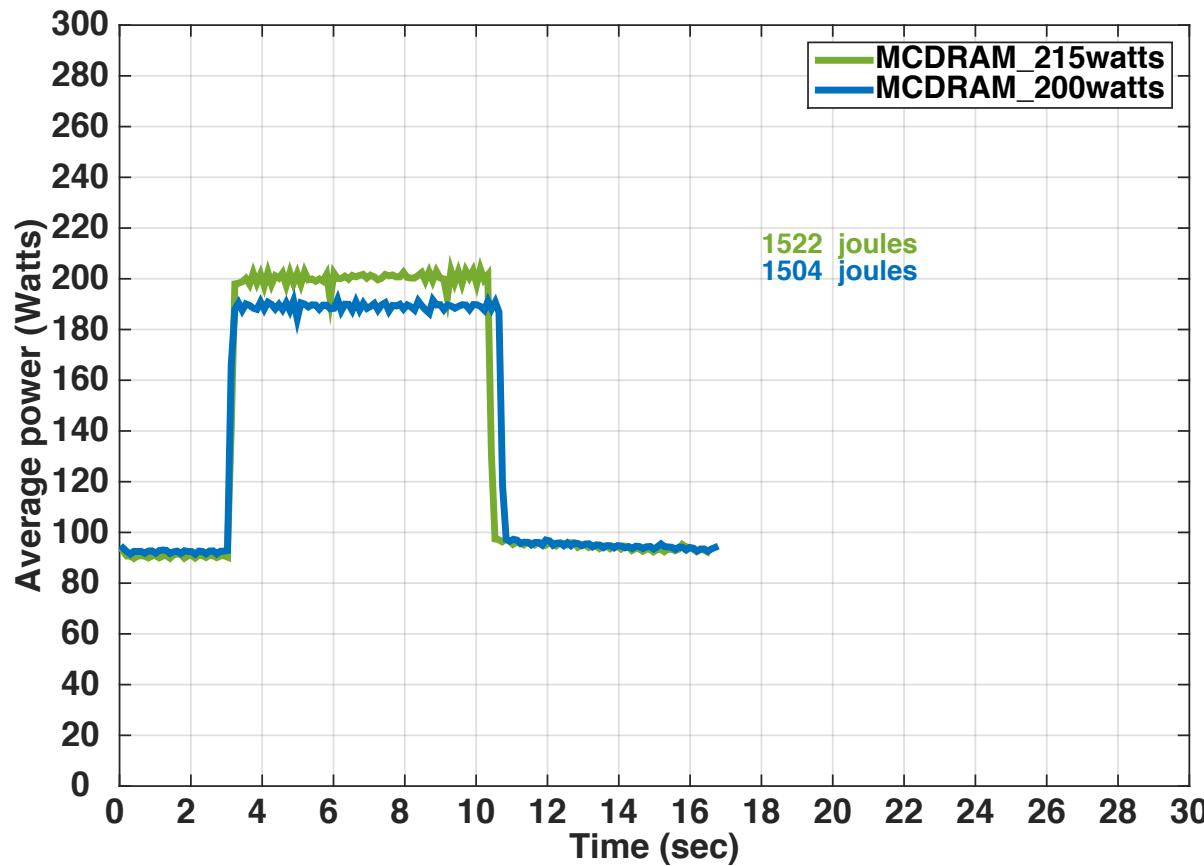
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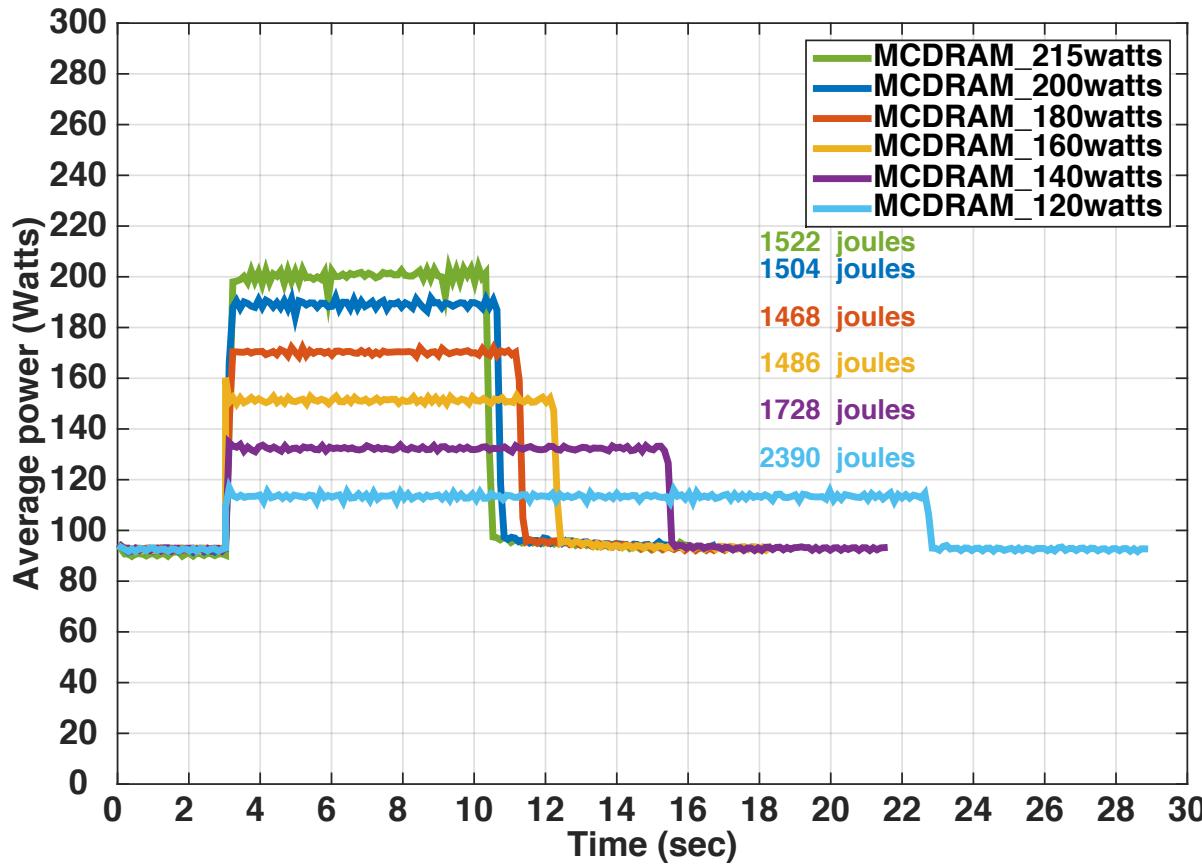
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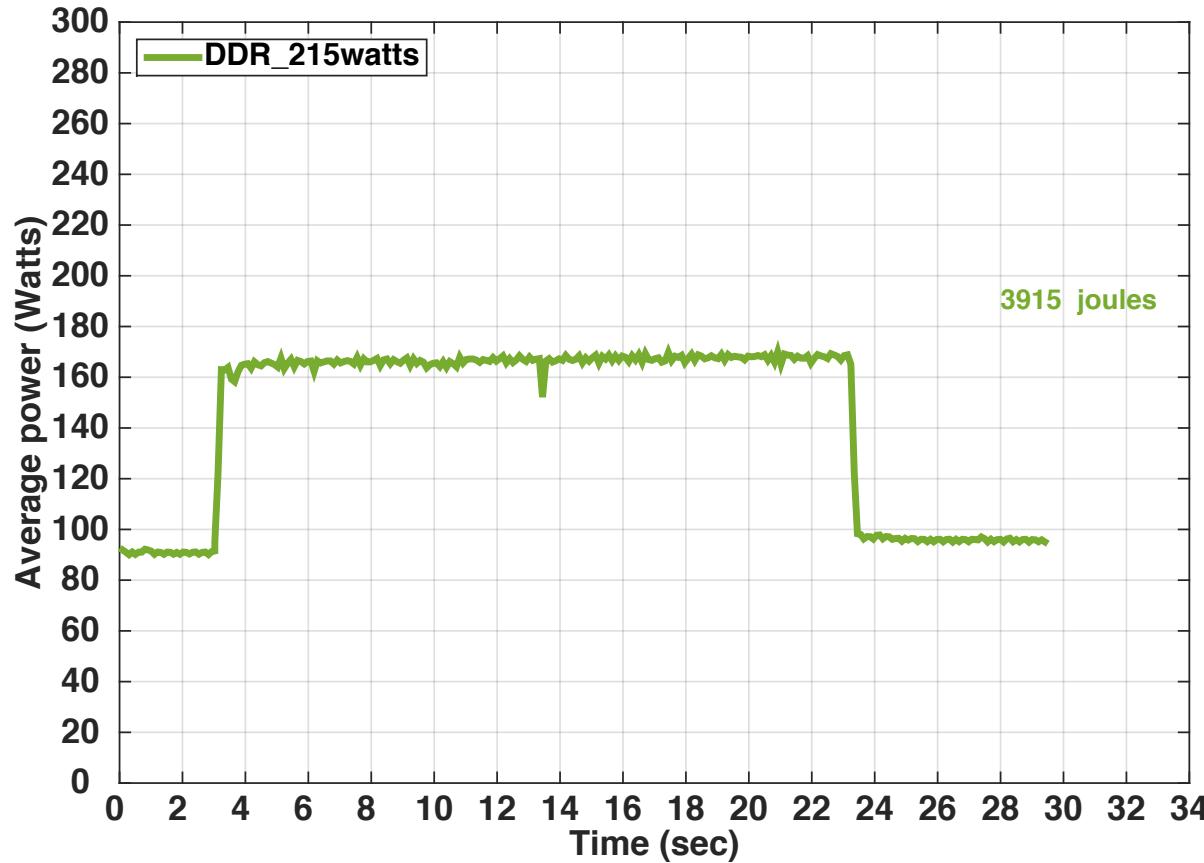
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- Decreasing the power limit to 200 do not results in any loss in performance while we observe a reducing of power consumption.
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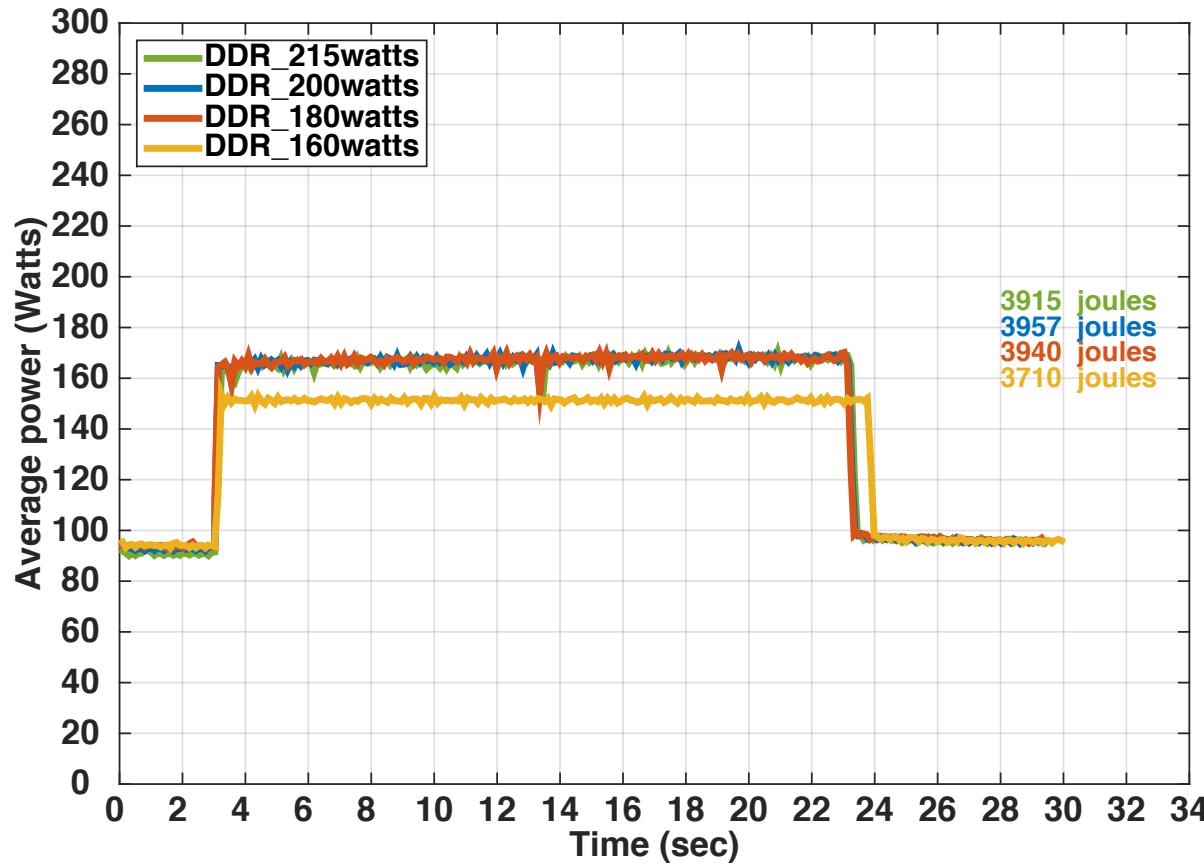
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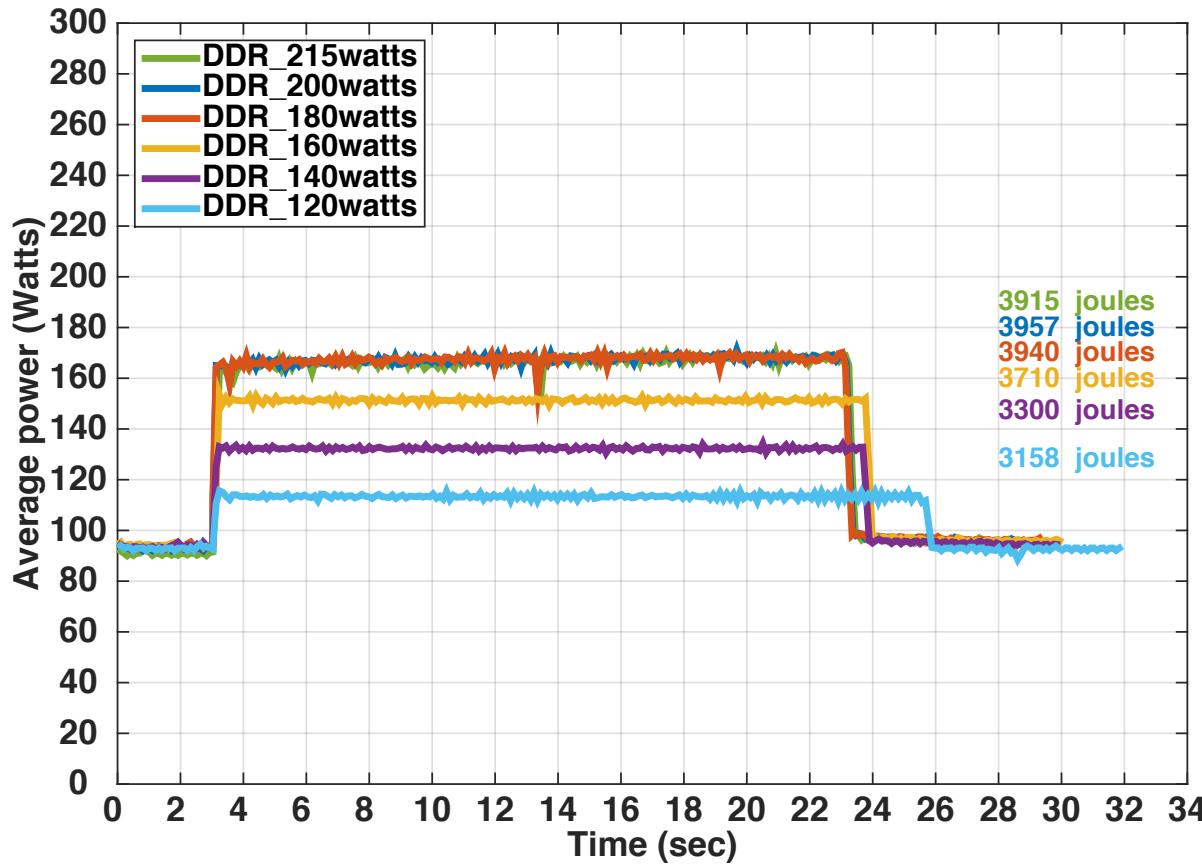
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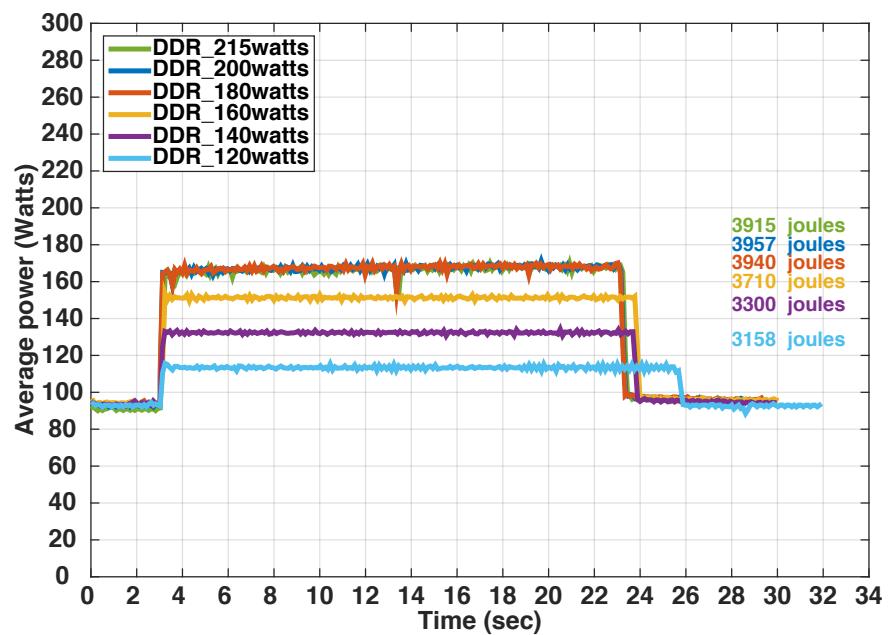
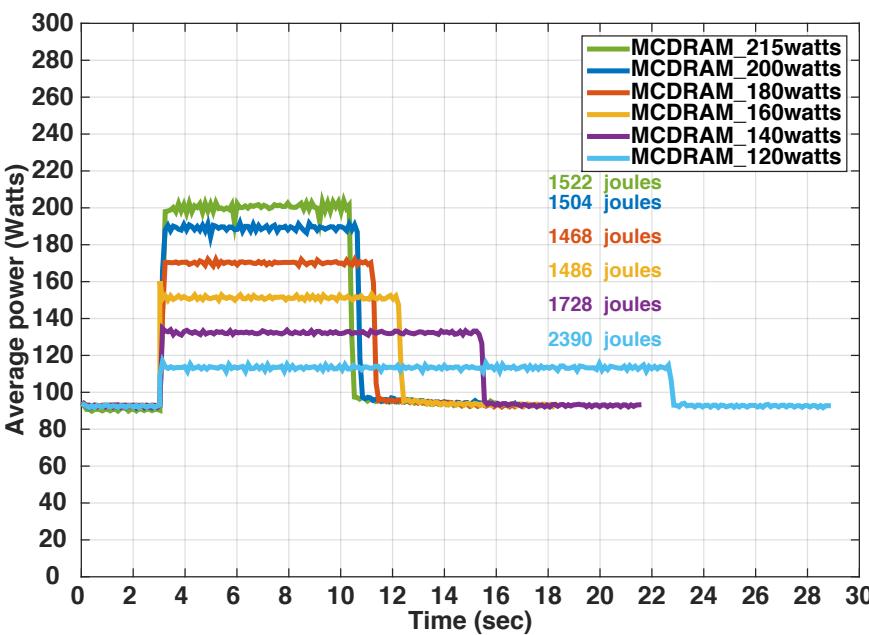
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- Decreasing the power limit to 200 do not results in any loss in performance while we observe a reducing of power consumption.
- Decreasing the power limit down by 40 Watts (Pwr limit at 140) will keep providing power reduction, large energy saving and without any practical loss in performance.
- At 120 Watts, less than 10% loss in time to solution while a large energy and power savings is observed

Power-awareness in applications

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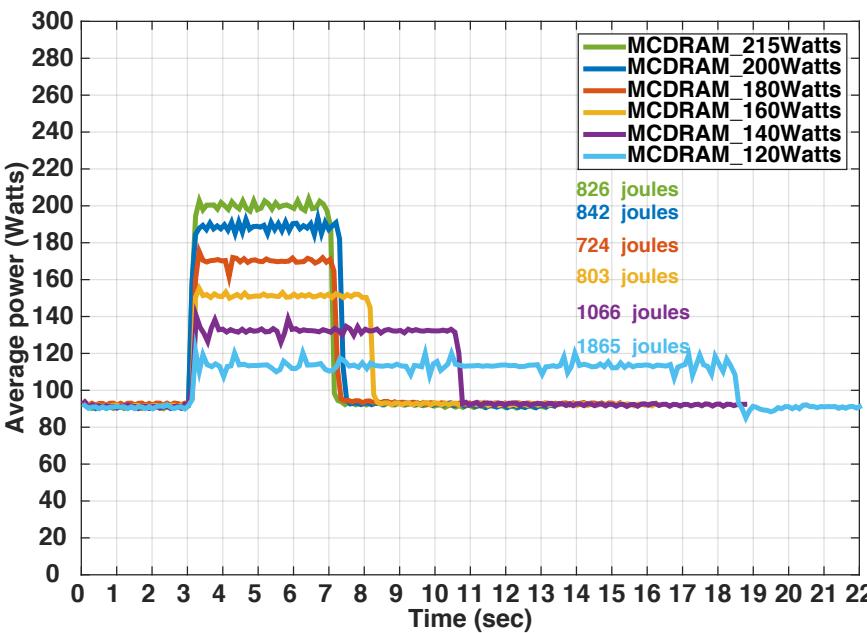


Lesson for HPCG:

- For MCDRAM, decreasing the power limit by 40 Watts from the observed power consumption at default TDP (200 → 160) provide power reduction, large energy saving and without any practical loss in performance.
- For DDR4, similar behavior observed by decreasing the power limit by 40 Watts from the observed power consumption at default TDP (170 → 130) which provide power reduction, large energy saving and without any practical loss in performance.

Power-awareness in applications

Solving Helmholtz equation with finite difference, Jacobi iteration 12800x12800 grid

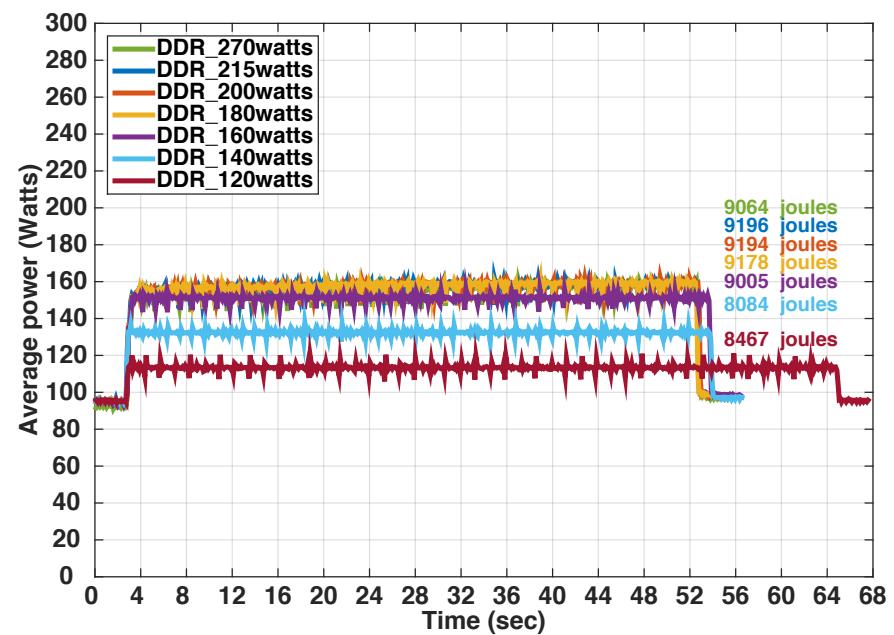
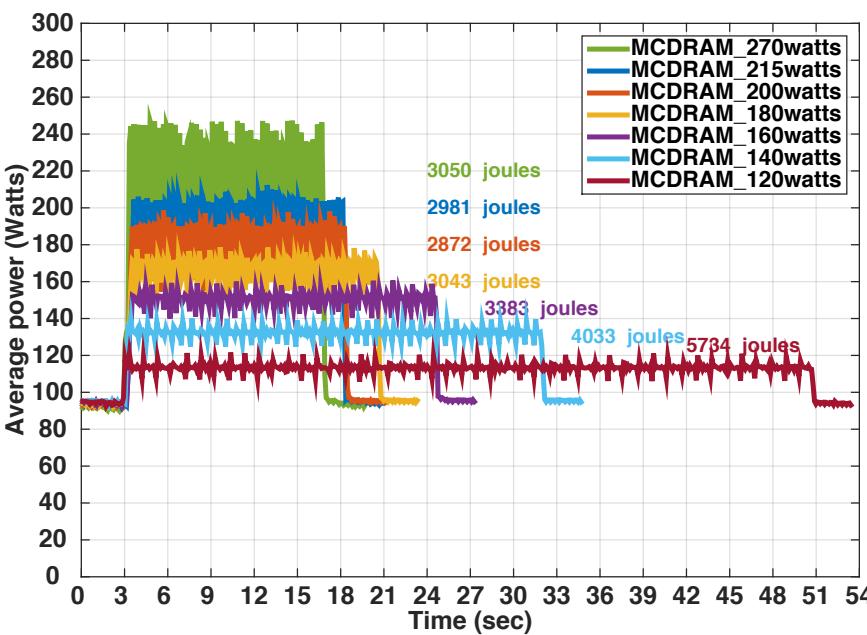


Lesson for Jacobi iteration:

- For MCDRAM, capping at 180-160 Watts improves power efficiency by ~20% without any loss in time to solution.
- For DDR4, capping at 140 Watts improves power efficiency by ~20% without any loss in time to solution.
- Overall 40 Watts below the observed power at default limit is also providing large energy gain while keeping up with the same time to solution which is similar to the behavior observed in DGEMV and DAXPY.

Power-awareness in applications

Lattice-Boltzmann simulation of CFD (from SPEC 2006 benchmark)

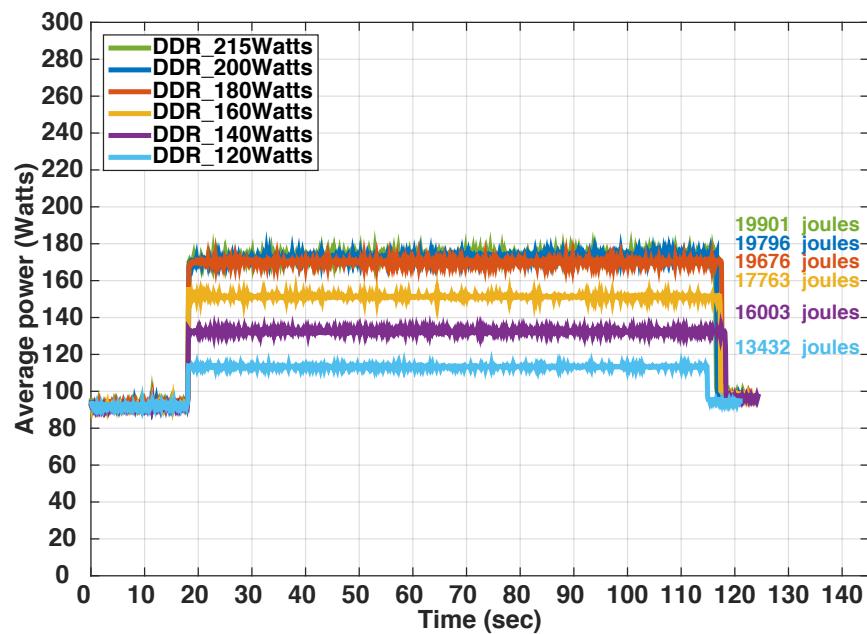
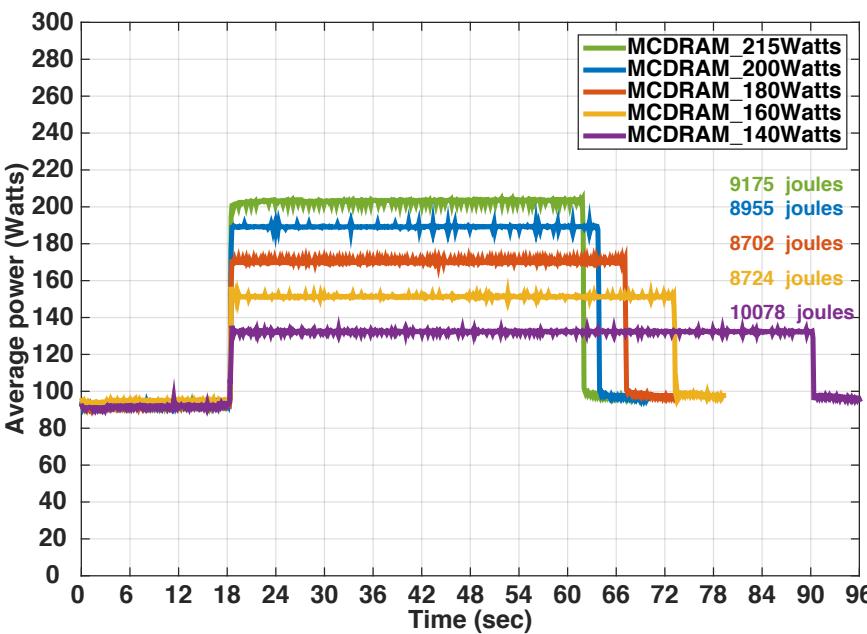


Lesson for Lattice Boltzmann:

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- For DDR4, capping at 120-140 Watts improves power efficiency by ~20%.

Power-awareness in applications

Monte Carlo neutron transport application (from XSbench)



Lesson for Monte Carlo:

- For MCDRAM, capping at 160 results in power reduction, energy savings with about 10% loss of time to solution.
- For DDR4, capping at 120 Watts improves power efficiency by ~30%.

Power-aware computing: Mixed-precision algorithms

- Savings by Algorithmic advancement, such as mixed precision algorithms.
- **Objective:** Algorithmic techniques to reduce power consumption by decreasing the execution time → **Energy Savings !!!**

Power-aware computing: Mixed-precision algorithms

- Iterative refinement for dense systems, $Ax = b$, can work this way.

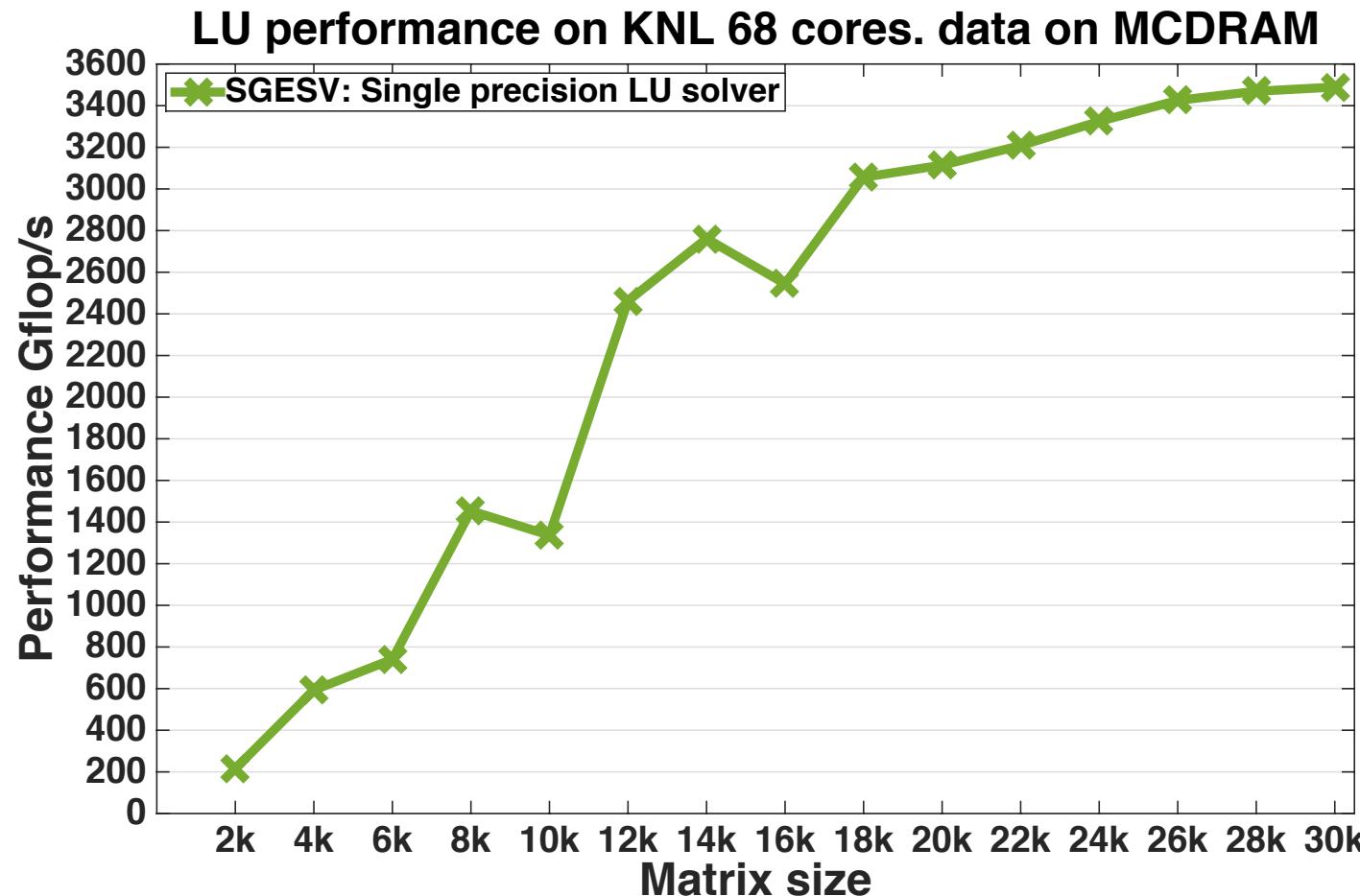
$L \ U = \text{lu}(A)$	SINGLE	$O(n^3)$
$x = L \backslash (U \backslash b)$	SINGLE	$O(n^2)$
$r = b - Ax$	DOUBLE	$O(n^2)$
WHILE $\ r \ $ not small enough		
$z = L \backslash (U \backslash r)$	SINGLE	$O(n^2)$
$x = x + z$	DOUBLE	$O(n^1)$
$r = b - Ax$	DOUBLE	$O(n^2)$
END		

- Wilkinson, Moler, Stewart, & Higham provide error bound for SP fl pt results when using DP fl pt.
- It can be shown that using this approach we can compute the solution to 64-bit floating point precision.

- Requires extra storage, total is 1.5 times normal;
- $O(n^3)$ work is done in lower precision
- $O(n^2)$ work is done in high precision
- Problems if the matrix is ill-conditioned in sp; $O(10^8)$

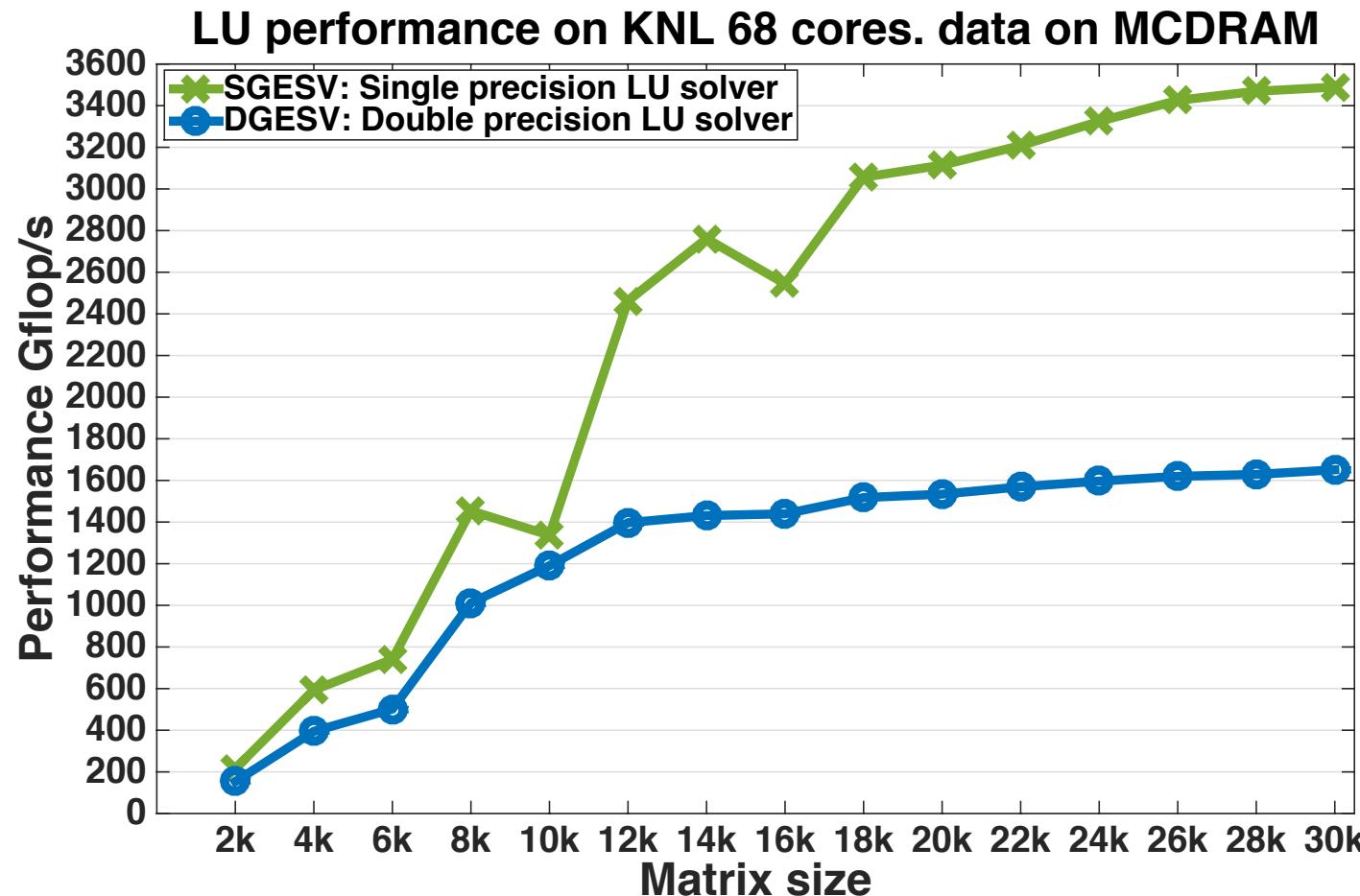
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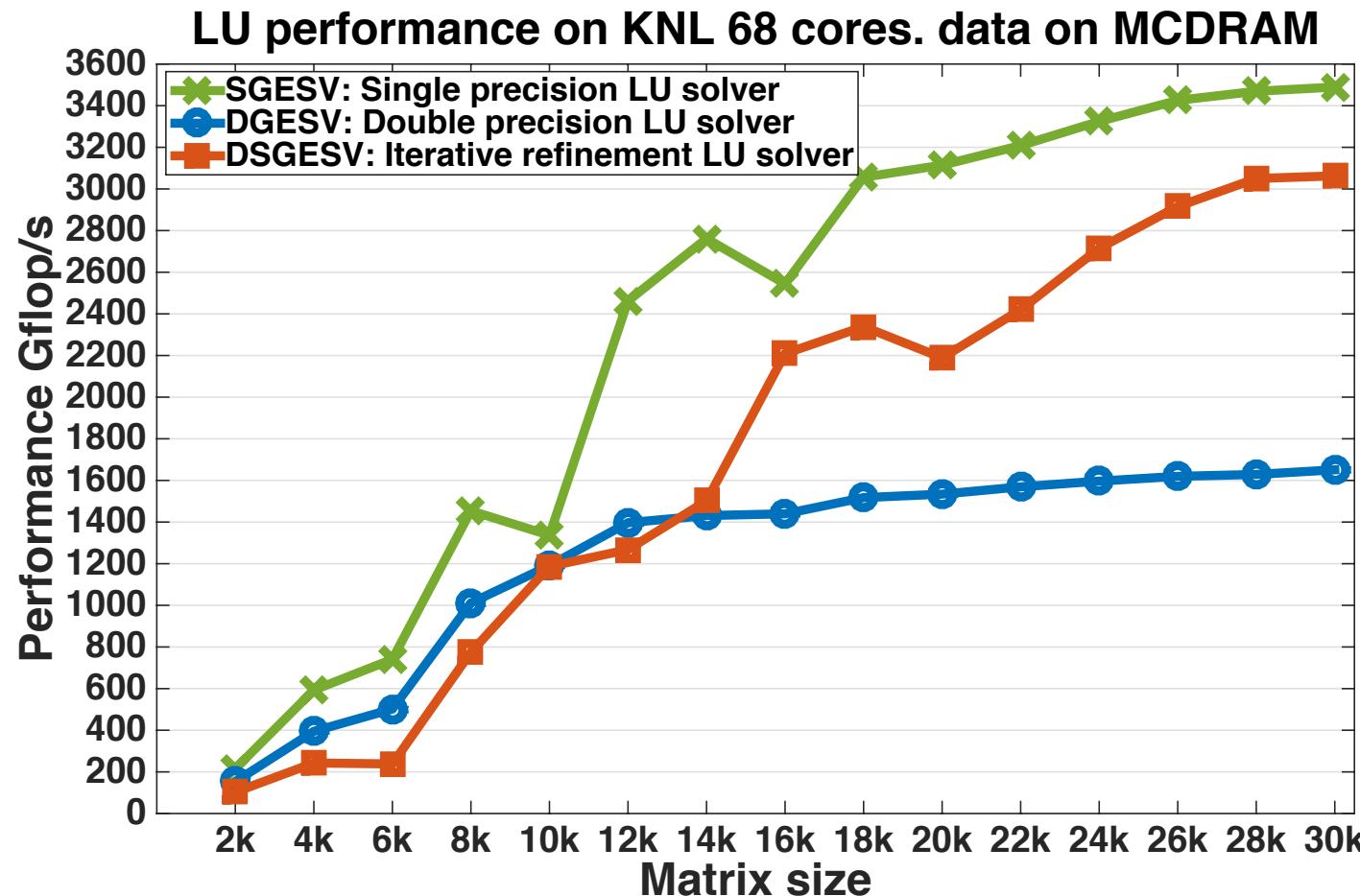
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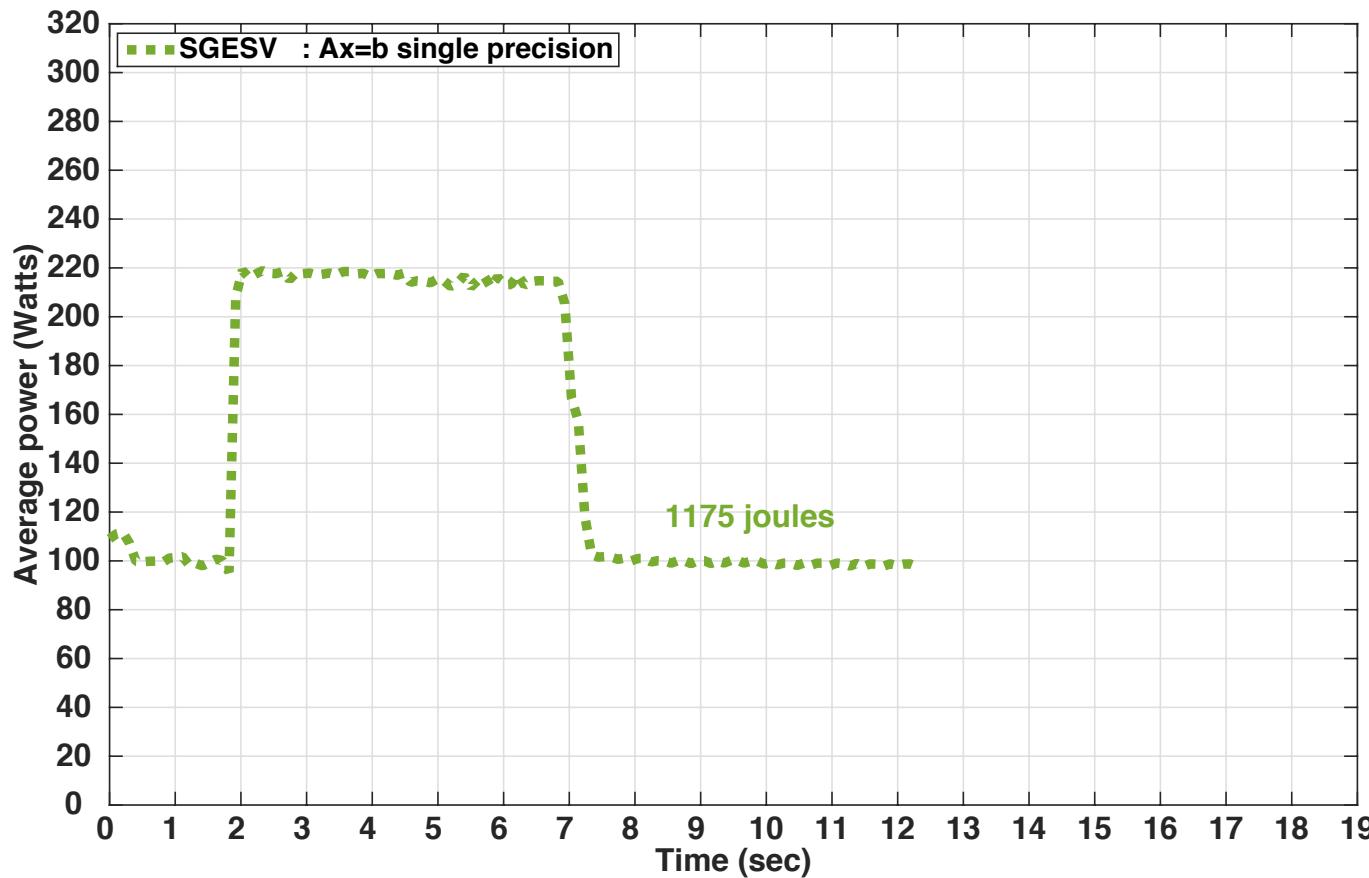
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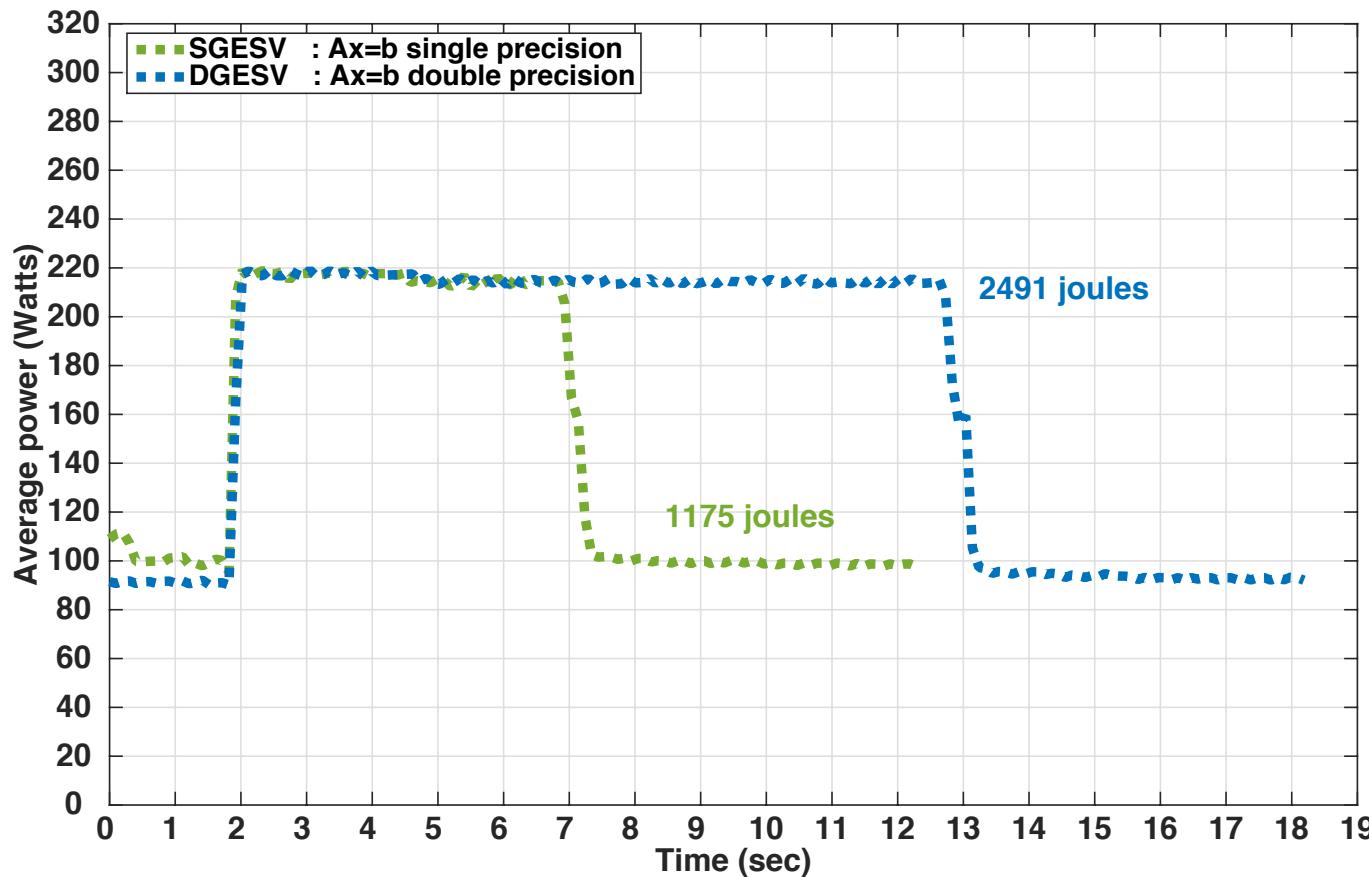
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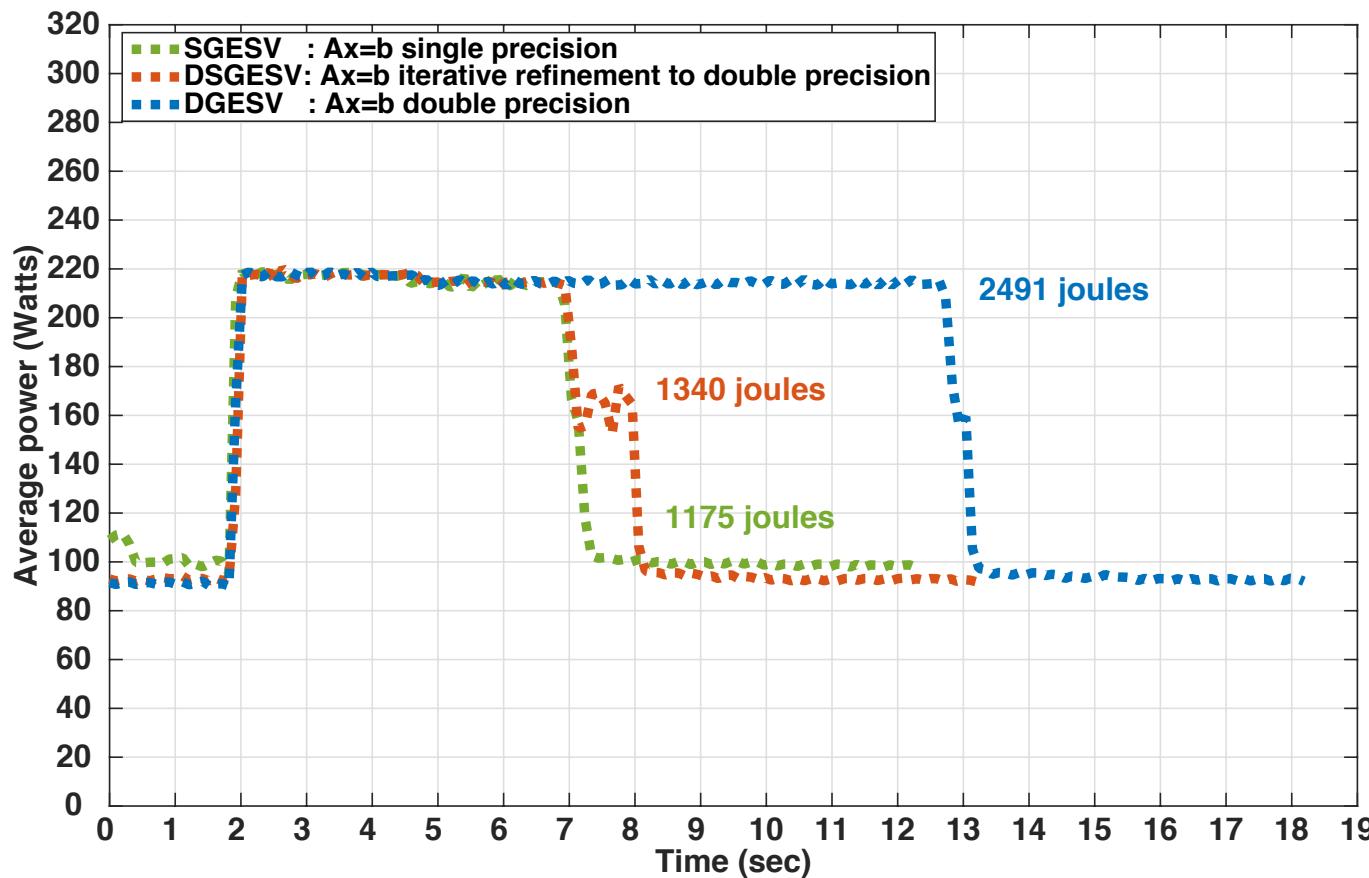
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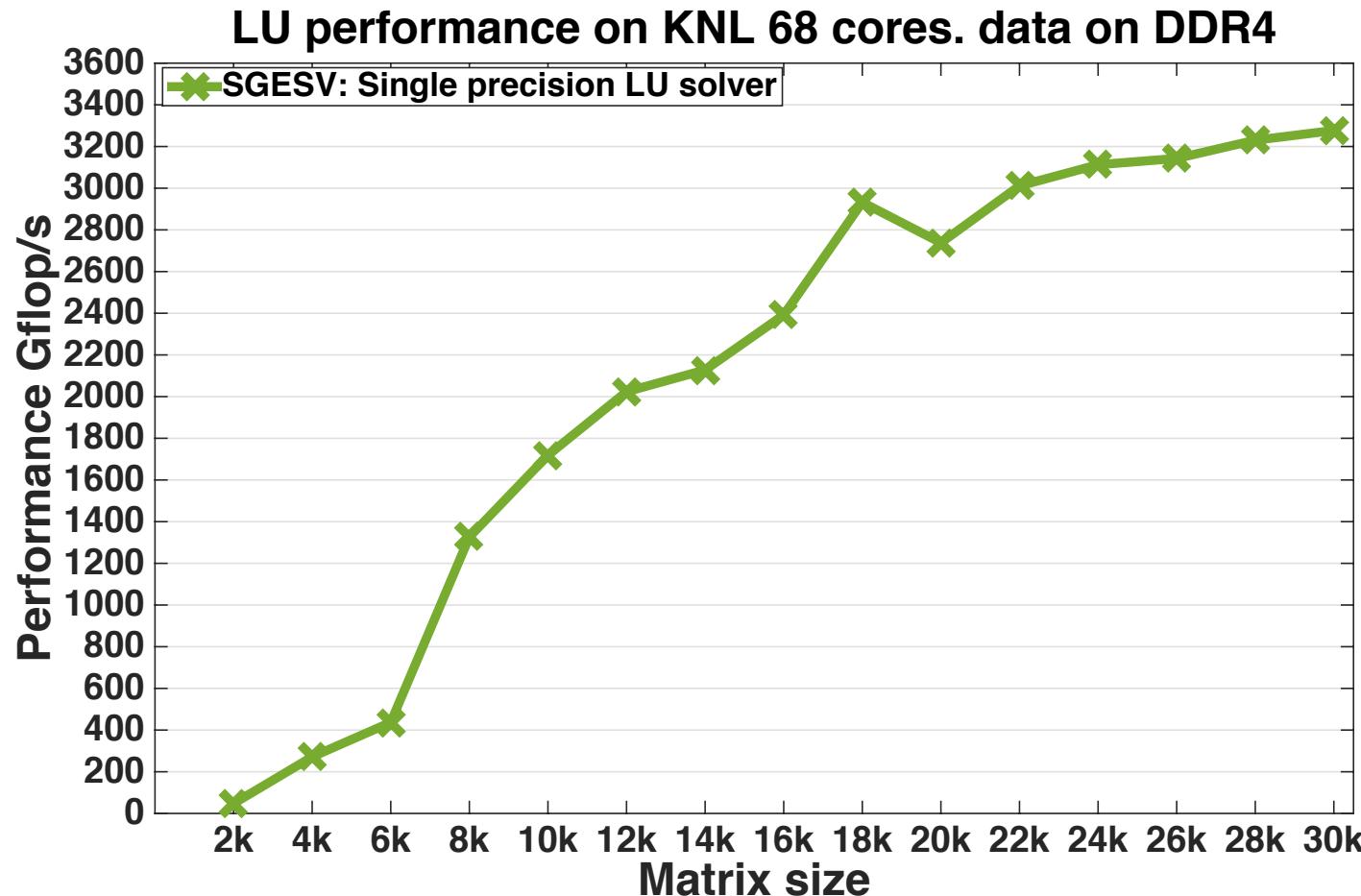
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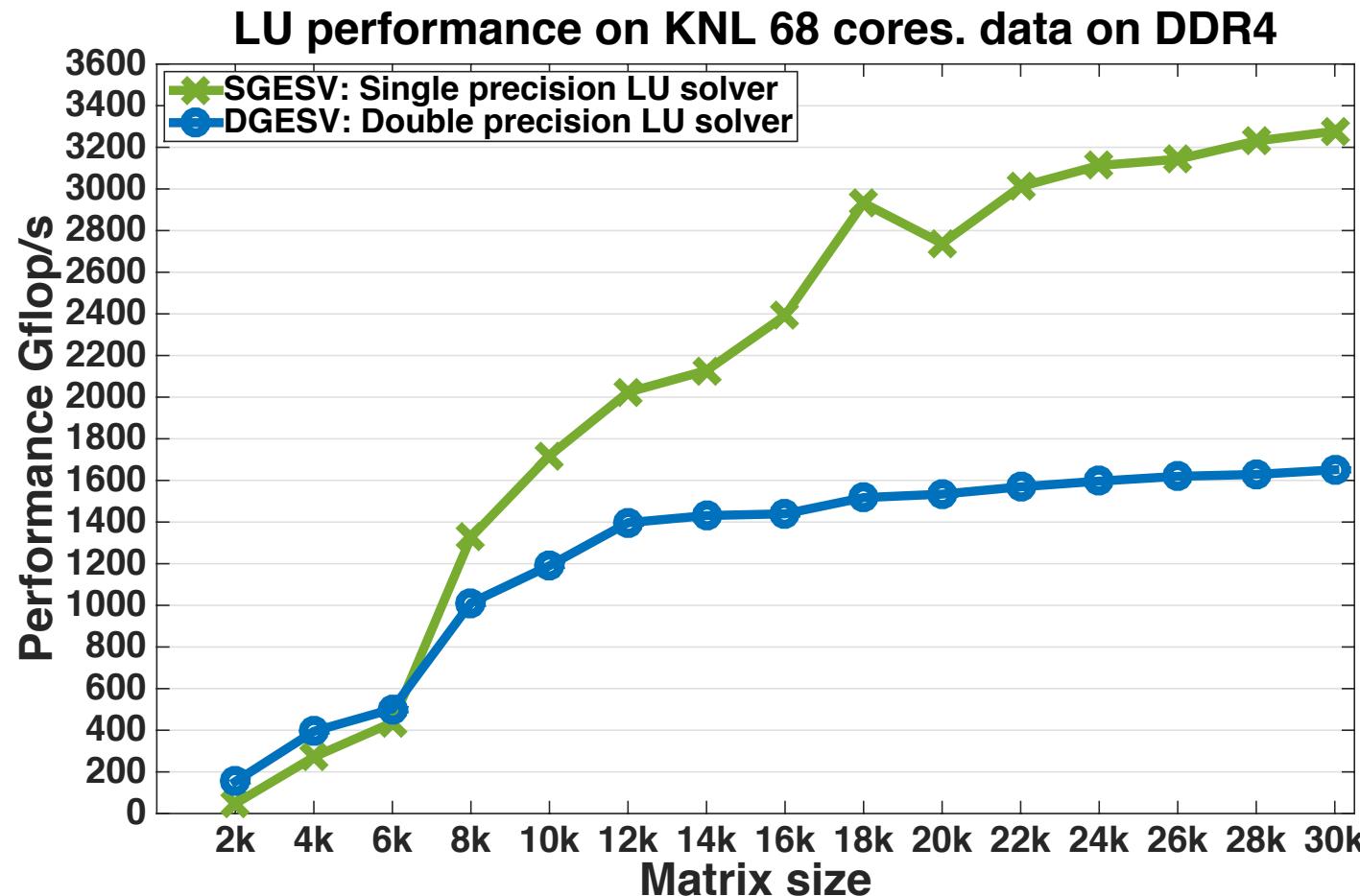
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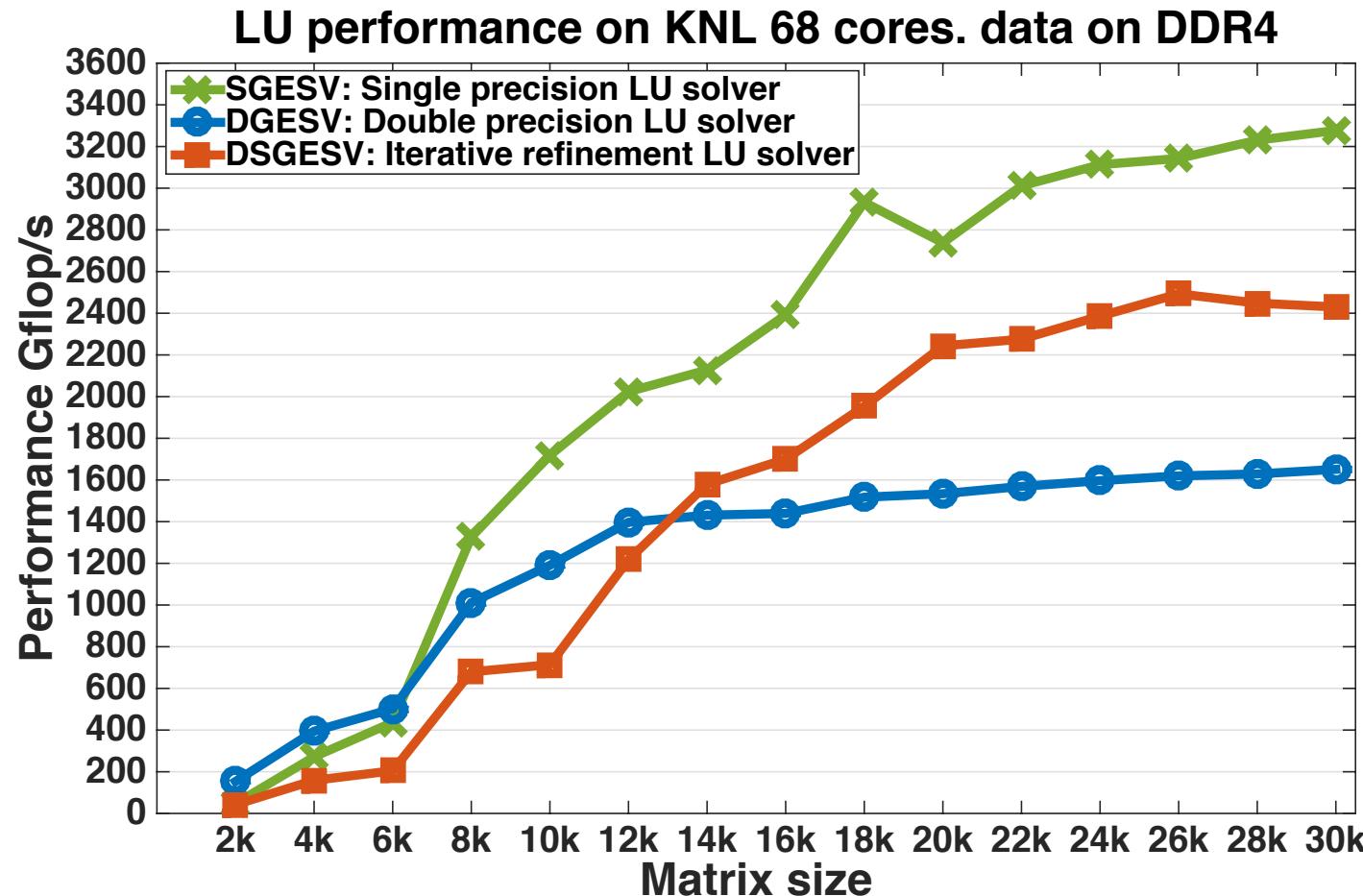
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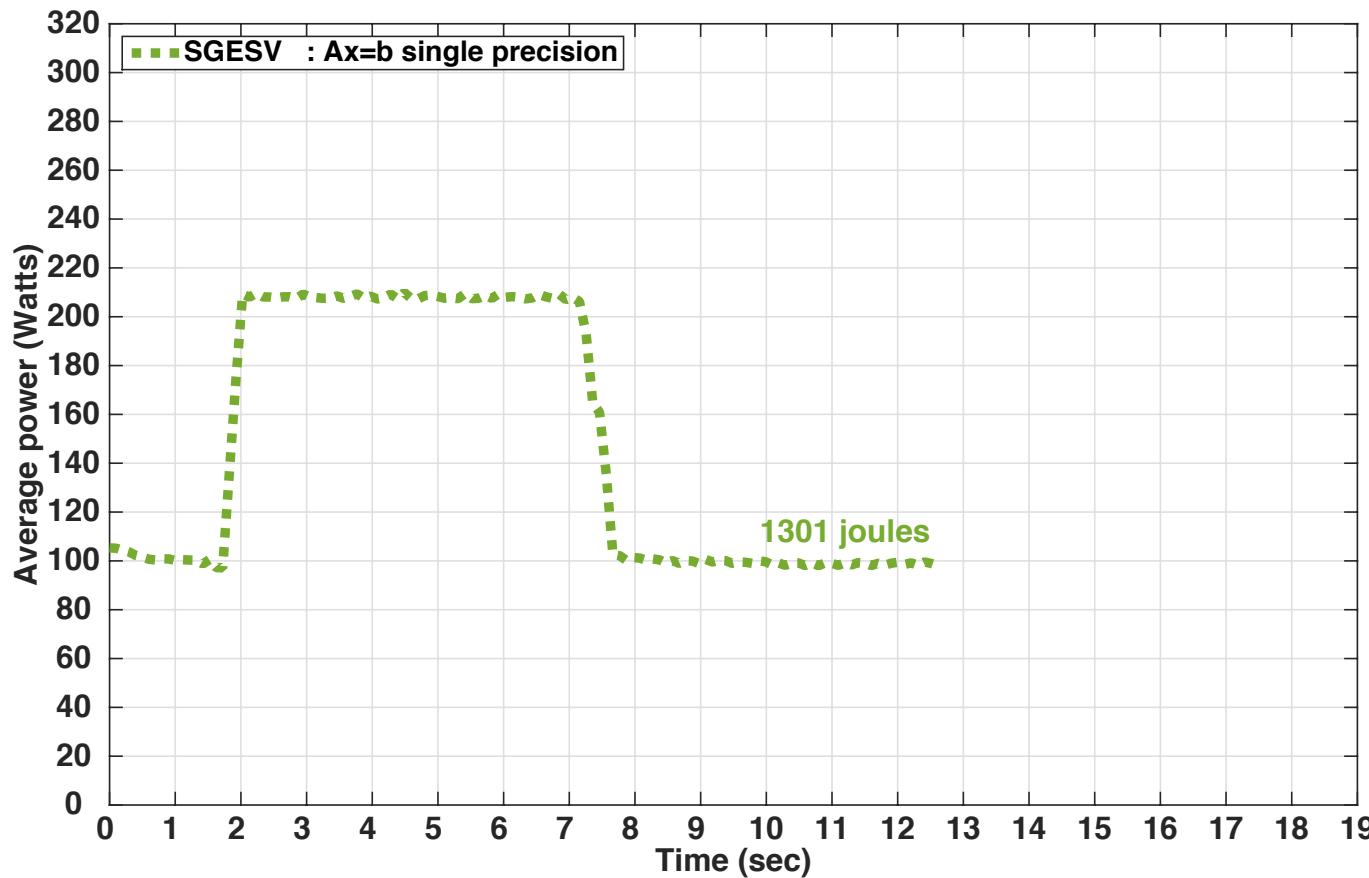
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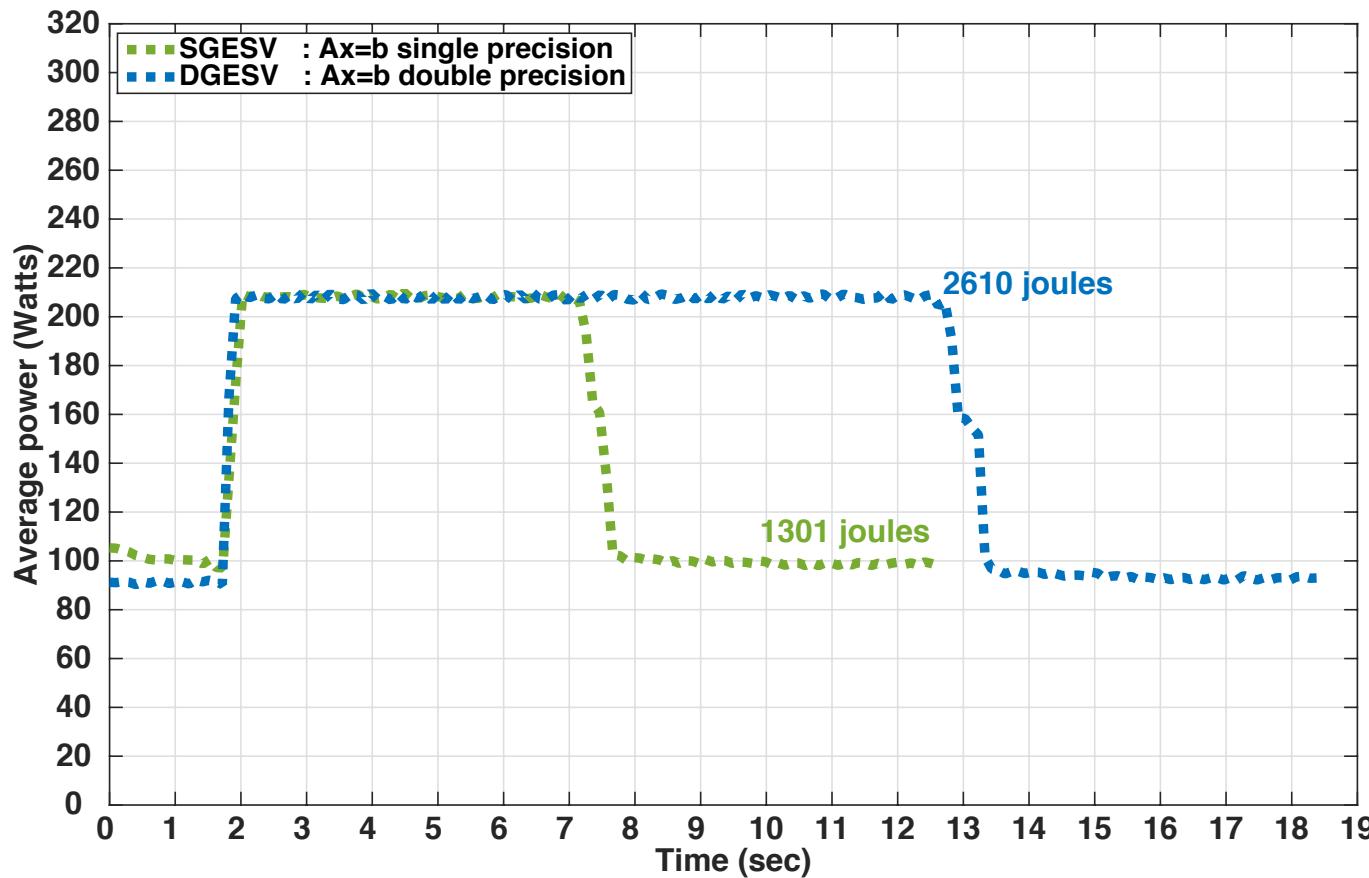
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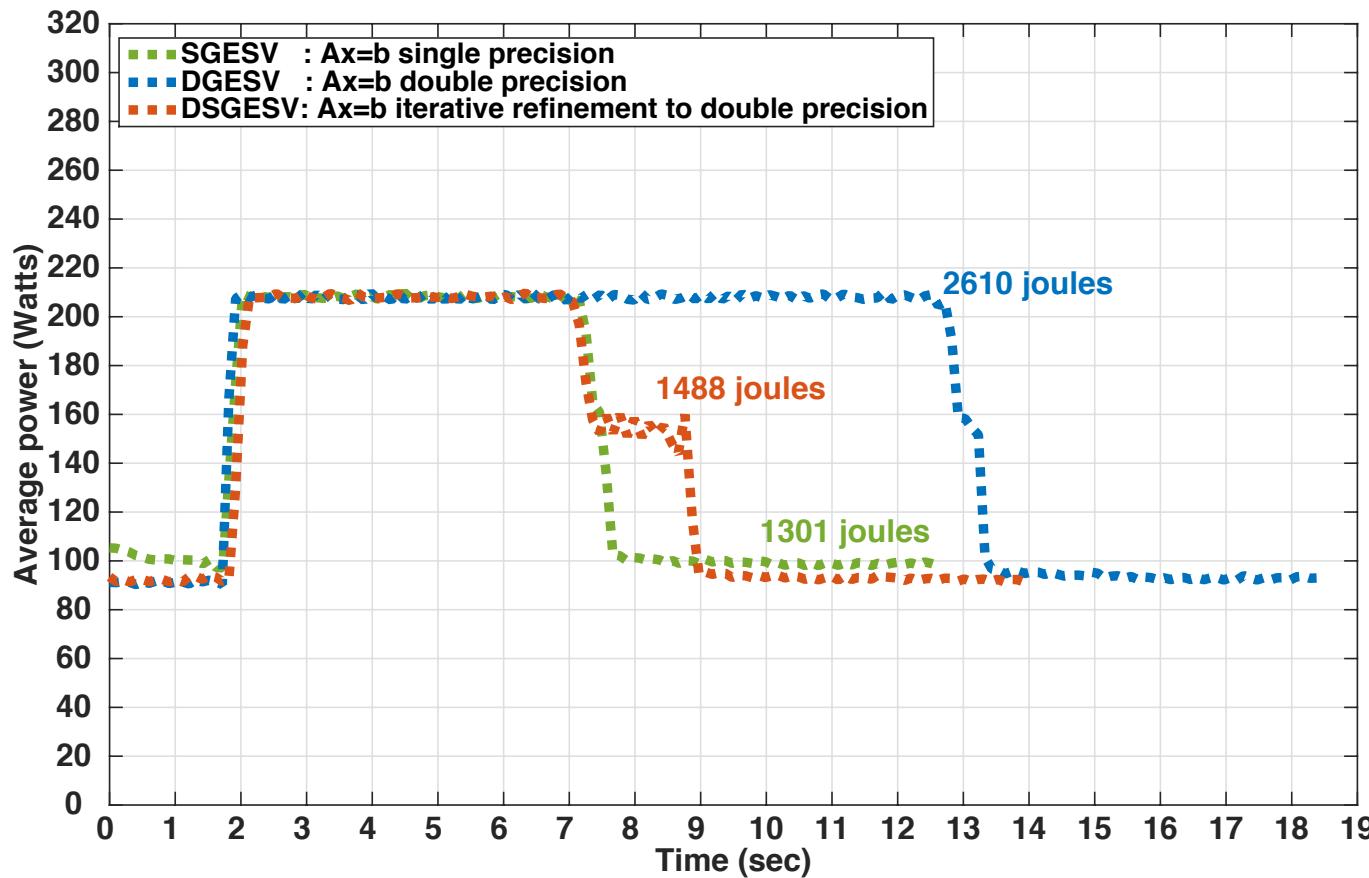
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3rd Party Tools applying PAPI

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- TAU (U Oregon) <http://www.cs.uoregon.edu/research/tau/>
- PerfSuite (NCSA) <http://perfsuite.ncsa.uiuc.edu/>
- HPCToolkit (Rice University) <http://hpctoolkit.org/>
- Score-P <http://score-p.org/>
- SCALASCA (FZ Juelich, TU Darmstadt) <http://scalasca.org/>
- VampirTrace and Vampir (TU Dresden) <http://www.vamir.eu>
- Open|Speedshop (SGI) <http://oss.sgi.com/projects/openspeedshop/>
- SvPablo (RENCI at UNC) <http://www.renci.org/research/pablo/>
- ompP (UTK) <http://www.ompp-tool.com>



Conclusions and Future Work

- Power efficiency designs – challenges for power and energy-awareness for numerical libraries
- PAPI-based tools to understand and control power usage through power capping
- Characterize algorithms (from BLAS and benchmarks) and quantify possible benefits from power capping on Intel KNL processors
- The tools and analyses presented can be build into libraries to automatically control power & energy consumption based on feedback from computation (at runtime)

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