



Chemistry CQoS: Automated Tuning of SCF Procedures

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Goals for this phase

- **Integrate chem c qos efforts with core efforts**
- **Design prototype application encompassing important features but which is simple enough to demonstrate near-term progress**

Scope

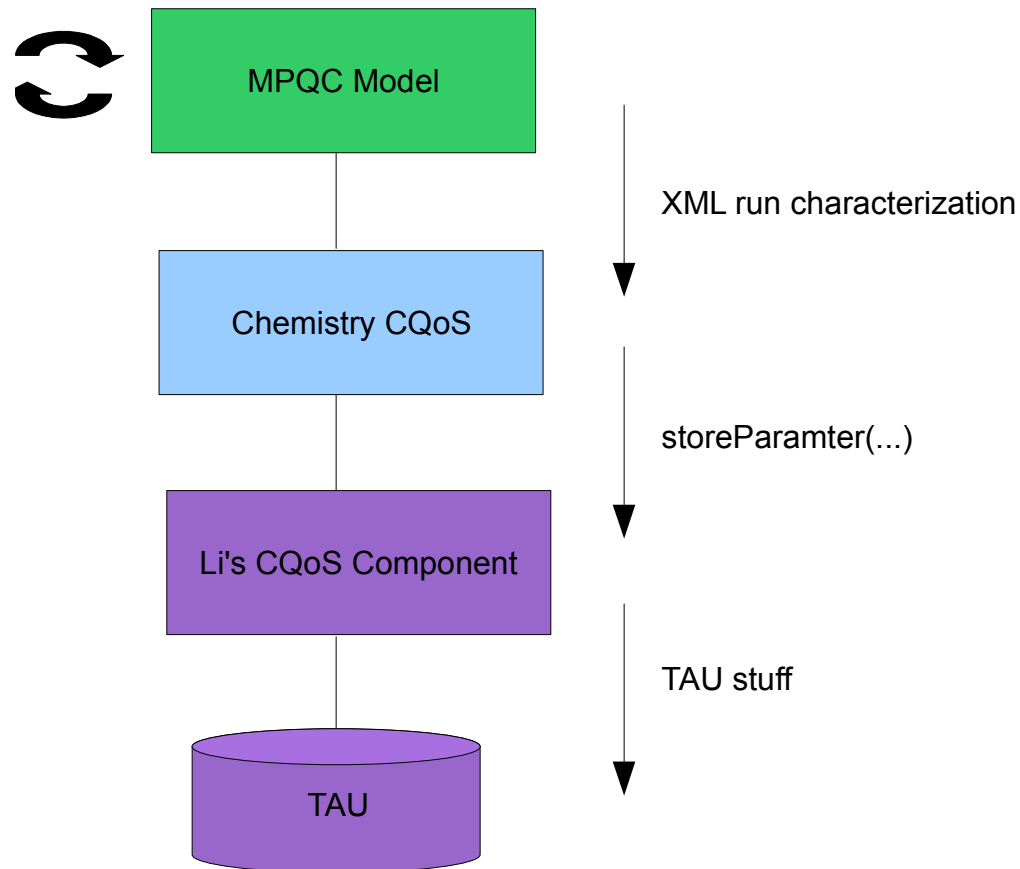
- **Global database intriguing, stick with per machine for now**
 - **Seed database with large number of performance runs, grow with future runs**



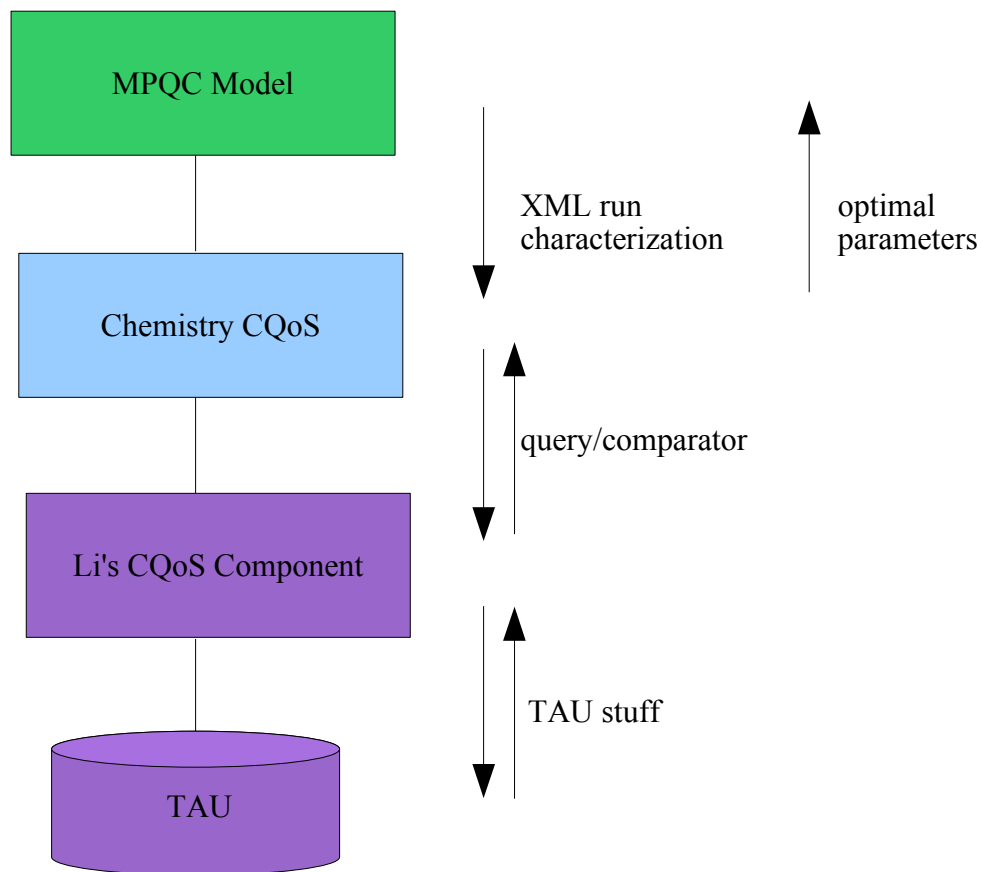
Target: SCF tuning

- **Many parameters to tune, down-select for now**
 - Number of nodes, multiple MPI tasks or threads
 - Use integral storage (disk-based for GAMESS, memory-resident integral cache for MPQC)

Chemistry CQoS Component: Training Phase



Chemistry CQoS Component: Production Phase





Tuning Algorithm

- **Parse input to determine molecule characterization**
 - Obtain runs with similar molecule characterization from database
 - same spin multiplicity
 - Choose percentage (10%?) of runs with least difference in atom type numbers (average difference, max difference)?
- **Determine best performing (10%?) calcs with similar molecules based on execution time**
- **How many nodes?**
 - Use average nodes for best calcs



Tuning Algorithm

- **Use integral cache?**
 - **Best calcs each get a vote**
- **If using integral cache, how much memory**
 - **Average of best calcs (that used cache)**



Database Entities

SCF Configuration

- Use integral cache/disk storage {on,off}

Hardware Configuration

- Number of nodes {*integer*}
- MPI tasks per node {*integer*}
- Threads per node {*integer*}



Database Entities

Molecule Characterization

- Number of H,C,N,O {*integer*}
- Numbers of other atom types (first row, third row transition, etc) {*integer*}
- Spin multiplicity {*integer*}

Performance Metric

- Execution time {*integer*}