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14. Compiler optimizations



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14.1 Optimization passes



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What is a compiler optimization

A terrible name

- Semantics-preserving code transformation
- Hopefully improving the code by some metric



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Visualizing optimization passes





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14.2 Simple optimizations



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Peephole optimizations

Group of simple but effective optimizations

- Find and replace
- Usually on low-level instructions



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$$\blacktriangleright x * 2 \Rightarrow x << 1$$

- $\blacktriangleright x * 0 \Rightarrow 0$
- $\blacktriangleright x \leftarrow 3; x \leftarrow 4 \Rightarrow x \leftarrow 4$



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Unreachable/dead code elimination

- Uncalled methods/functions
- Code after a return statement
- Patterns that cannot be matched



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Tail call elimination



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14.3 Loop optimizations



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Loop optimizations

- Loop unrolling
- Loop invariant code motion
- Loop fusion
- Loop fission



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Loop unrolling

 $\begin{cases} \text{for (int } i = 0; i < n; i +) \\ \{ \text{doStuff (i);} \\ \} \end{cases} \\ \begin{cases} \text{for (int } i = 0; i < n - 4; i + = 4) \\ \{ \text{doStuff (i);} \\ \text{doStuff (i + 1);} \\ \text{doStuff (i + 2);} \\ \text{doStuff (i + 3);} \\ \end{cases}$



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Loop unrolling

If n is not divisible by 4, you need to do extra iterations before or after the loop.



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Loop invariant code motion

 $\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{x} = 10 * \mathsf{y} + \mathsf{cos} \; (0.5); \\ \mathsf{for} \; (\mathsf{int} \; \mathsf{i} = 0; \mathsf{i} < \mathsf{n}; \mathsf{i} \#) \\ \{\mathsf{doStuff} \; (\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{x}); \\ \} \end{array}$



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Loop fusion

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 \begin{array}{ll} \mbox{for (int $i=0$;$i<n$;$i$++)} \\ \mbox{ doStuff1 (i);} \\ \mbox{ doStuff1 (i);} \\ \mbox{ for (int $i=0$;$i<n$;$i$++)} \\ \mbox{ for (int $i=0$;$i<n$;$i$++)} \\ \mbox{ doStuff2 (i);} \\ \mbo
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Loop fission

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{for (int $i=0$;$i<n$;i++)} & \mbox{for (int $i=0$;$i<n$;i++)} \\ \mbox{doStuff1 (i);} & \mbox{doStuff1 (i);} \\ \mbox{doStuff2 (i);} & \mbox{for (int $i=0$;$i<n$;i++)} \\ \mbox{doStuff2 (i);} & \mbox{doStuff2 (i);} & \mbox{doStuff2 (i);} \\ \mbox{doStuff2 (i);} & \mbox{doStuff2 (i);} & \mbox{doStuff2 (i);} \\ \mbox{doStuff2 (i);} & \mbox{doStuff2 (i$



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The opposite of fusion: Sometimes one is better, sometimes the other!

To choose, we might want to add analyses to our compiler.



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14.4 Other optimizations



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Inlining

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \text{let } \mathsf{x} = 5 \\ \text{in } \mathsf{x} * \mathsf{y} + \mathsf{x} \end{array} \qquad 5 * \mathsf{y} + 5$$



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Common Subexpression Elimination

$$\begin{array}{l} \cos{(5 \text{ x})} \,/\, (1 + \cos{(5 \text{ x})}) & \quad \textbf{let } \text{y} = \cos{(5 \text{ x})} \\ \text{in } \text{y} \,/\, (1 + \text{y}) \end{array}$$



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Opposite of inlining: Tradeoff between computation and memory.



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Compiler pipeline





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Analysis and code transformation for optimal fusion



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Analysis and code transformation for optimal fusion of array operations



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Analysis and code transformation for optimal fusion of array operations in a data parallel functional language



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Vertical fusion

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{for (int $i=0$;$i$$

Replacing an array with a scalar

Eliminating n array reads and writes



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