

Optimization

Compiler Construction

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- Optimizations are important to improve performance
 - Straightforward translations are often not very fast
- Optimizations can be applied at different levels
 - Local within a basic block, global within a full function, interprocedural across functions
- Optimizations cannot fix everything
 - $O(n^2)$ algorithms will not be simply replaced by $O(n \cdot \log(n))$ ones

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1 i = (i << 3) + i;
2 i = (i * j) << 1;
3 k = ???;
4 k = ???;
```

- Perform loop unrolling for the following snippet. Discuss advantages/disadvantages.

```
1 int a[];
2 int b[];
3 int c[];
4
5 for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
6     c[i] = a[i] + b[i];
7 }
```

- Perform loop unrolling for the following snippet. Discuss advantages/disadvantages.

```
1 int i;
2 for (i = 0; i < N - 4; i += 4) {
3     c[i] = a[i] + b[i];
4     c[i + 1] = a[i + 1] + b[i + 1];
5     c[i + 2] = a[i + 2] + b[i + 2];
6     c[i + 3] = a[i + 3] + b[i + 3];
7 }
8 for (; i < N; i++) {
9     c[i] = a[i] + b[i];
10 }
```

- Code size increases
- Can provide opportunities for vectorization

- Perform function inlining for the following code snippet.

```
1 int foo (int a, int b) {  
2     return a + b;  
3 }  
4  
5 int a = 0;  
6 for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
7     a = foo(a, i) * foo(a, i + 1);  
8 }
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```
1 int a = 0;
2 for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
3     int foo1, foo2;
4     i = a;
5     foo1 = a + i;
6     i + 1 = a;
7     foo2 = a + i + 1;
8     a = foo1 * foo2;
9 }
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- Side effects have to be considered

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- Perform code hoisting for the following code snippet.

```
1 while (term_iteration > 0) {  
2     for (i = 1; i < N; i++) {  
3         for (j = 1; j < N; j++) {  
4             star = 0.25 * (Matrix[m2][i - 1][j] + Matrix[m2][i][j - 1] +  
5                               ↪ Matrix[m2][i][j + 1] + Matrix[m2][i + 1][j]);  
6             star += 0.25 * (2 * M_PI * M_PI) * h * h * sin(M_PI * h *  
7                               ↪ (double)i) * sin(M_PI * h * (double)j);  
8             Matrix[m1][i][j] = star;  
9         }  
10    }
```

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```
1 double pih = M_PI * h;
2 double fpisin = 0.25 * (2 * M_PI * M_PI) * h * h;
3 while (term_iteration > 0) {
4     for (i = 1; i < N; i++) {
5         double fpisin_i = fpisin * sin(pih * (double)i);
6         for (j = 1; j < N; j++) {
7             star = 0.25 * (Matrix[m2][i - 1][j] + Matrix[m2][i][j - 1] +
8                 ↪ Matrix[m2][i][j + 1] + Matrix[m2][i + 1][j]);
9             star += fpisin_i * sin(pih * (double)j);
10            Matrix[m1][i][j] = star;
11        }
12    }
13 }
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- Perform dead code elimination for the following code snippet.

```
1 int foo (int* bar) {  
2     bool b = false;  
3     if (b && bar == NULL) {  
4         ...  
5         return 1;  
6     } else {  
7         ...  
8         return 2;  
9     }  
10    return 3;  
11 }
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1 int foo (int* bar) {  
2     ...  
3     return 2;  
4 }
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```
1 int foo (int* bar) {  
2     int v = *bar;  
3     if (bar == NULL) {  
4         return NULL;  
5     }  
6     return *bar;  
7 }
```

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1 int foo (int* bar) {  
2     if (bar == NULL) {  
3         return NULL;  
4     }  
5     return *bar;  
6 }
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2     return *bar;  
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- Might lead to undefined behavior

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- Be careful about correctness
 - For example, order of floating point operations
- Be careful about external side effects
 - For example, system calls like `write`
- Be careful about changes to debugging
 - For example, breakpoints in inlined functions
- Interactions can be positive or negative
 - For example, constant propagation before reachability analysis

References

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