

CSc 553

Principles of Compilation

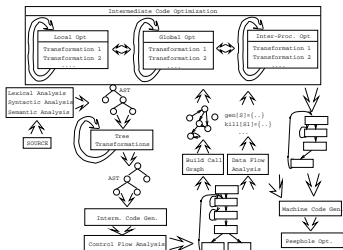
X16: Optimization I

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Introduction



What do we Optimize?

- Optimize everything, all the time. The problem is that optimization interferes with debugging. In fact, many (most) compilers don't let you generate an optimized program with debugging information. The problem of debugging optimized code is an important research field. Furthermore, optimization is probably the most time consuming pass in the compiler. Always optimizing everything (even routines which will never be called!) wastes valuable time.
- The programmer decides what to optimize. The problem is that the programmer has a local view of the code. When timing a program programmers are often very surprised to see where most of the time is spent.

- Turn optimization on when program is complete. Unfortunately, optimizers aren't perfect, and a program that performed OK with debugging turned on often behaves differently when debugging is off and optimization is on.
- Optimize inner loops only. Unfortunately, procedure calls can hide inner loops:


```
PROCEDURE P(n);
BEGIN
  FOR k:=1 TO n DO ... END;
END P;

FOR i:=1 TO 10000 DO P(i) END;
```

- Use profiling information to guide what to optimize.



- Runtime code generation/optimization. We delay code generation and optimization until execution time. At that time we have more information to guide the optimizations:



Local vs. Global vs.
Inter-procedural Optimization

- Some compilers optimize more **aggressively** than others. An aggressive compiler optimizes over a large piece of code, a simple one only considers a small chunk of code at a time.

Local Optimization

- Consider each basic block by itself.
- All compilers do this.

Global Optimization

- Consider each procedure by itself.
- Most compilers do this.

Inter-Procedural Opt.

- Consider the control flow between procedures.
- A few compilers do this.

Transformations:

- Local common subexpression elimination.
- Local copy propagation.
- Local dead-code elimination.
- Algebraic optimization.
- Jump-to-jump removal.
- Reduction in strength.

Peephole Optimization:

- On machine and/or interm. code.
- Examine a "window" of instructions.
 - Improve code in window.
 - Slide window.
 - Repeat until "optimal".

Redundant Loads:

```
A := A + 1; =>
set A, %10
set A, %11
ld [%11], %11
add %11, 1, %11
st %11, [%10] =>
set A, %10
ld [%10], %11
add %11, 1, %11
st %11, [%10]
```

Jumps-to-jumps:

```
if a < b goto L1 .....
L1: goto L2 .....
L2: goto L3 ..... =>
```

Algebraic Simplification:

```
x := x + 0; =>
x := x - 0; =>
x := x * 1; =>
x := 1 * 1; =>
x := x / 1; =>
x := x ** 2; => x := x * x;
f := f / 2.0; => f := f * 0.5;
```

Strength:

```
x := x * 32; => x := SHL(x, 5);
```

```
x := x * 100; =>
x := x * (64 + 32 + 4) =>
x := x * 64 + x * 32 + x * 4 =>
x := SHL(x,6) + SHL(x,5) + SHL(x,2)
```

Reduction in

Original Code

```

FUNCTION P (X,n): INT;
  IF n = 3 THEN RETURN X[1]
  ELSE RETURN X[n];
CONST R = 1;
BEGIN
  K := 3; ...
  IF P(X,K) = X[1] THEN
    X[1] := R * (X[1] ** 2)

```

After Local Opt

```

FUNCTION P (X,n): INT;
  IF n = 3 THEN RETURN X[1]
  ELSE RETURN X[n]
BEGIN
  K := 3; ...

```

After Local Opt

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FUNCTION P (X,n): INT;
  IF n = 3 THEN RETURN X[1]
  ELSE RETURN X[n]
BEGIN
  K := 3;
  ...
  IF P(X,K) = X[1] THEN
    X[1] := X[1] * X[1]

```

After Global Opt

```

FUNCTION P (X,n): INT;
  IF n = 3 THEN RETURN X[1]
  ELSE RETURN X[n]
BEGIN
  ...

```

```

FUNCTION P (X,n): INT;
  IF n = 3 THEN RETURN X[1]
  ELSE RETURN X[n]
BEGIN
  IF P(X,3) = X[1] THEN
    X[1] := X[1] * X[1]

```

After Inter-Procedural Opt

```

BEGIN
  IF TRUE THEN
    X[1] := X[1] * X[1]

```

After Another Local Opt

```

BEGIN
  X[1] := X[1] * X[1]

```

Local Optimization

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- A naive code generator will generate the same address or variable several times. Peephole optimization over the generated code will easily remove these.

```
A := A + 1;
```

↓

```
set A, %10
set A, %11
ld [%11], %11
add %11, 1, %11
st %11, [%10]
```

↓

```
set A, %10
ld [%10], %11
add %11, 1, %11
```

- Complicated boolean expressions (with many and, or, not) can easily produce lots of jumps to jumps. A peephole optimization pass over the generated code can remove these.

```
if a < b goto L1
...
L1: goto L2
...
L2: goto L3
```

↓

```
if a < b goto L3
...
L1: goto L3
...
L2: goto L3
```

- Beware of numerical problems:
 - $(x * 0.00000001) * 1000000000.0$ may produce a different result than $(x * 1000.0)$!
- FORTRAN requires that parenthesis be honored: $(5.0 * x) * (6.0 * y)$ can't be evaluated as $(30.0 * x * y)$.
- Note that multiplication is often faster than division.

```
x := x + 0;    ⇒
x := x - 0;    ⇒
x := x * 1;    ⇒
x := 1 * 1;    ⇒ x := 1
x := x / 1;    ⇒
x := x ** 2;   ⇒ x := x * x;
f := f / 2.0;  ⇒ f := f * 0.5;
```

- $\text{SHL}(x, y)$ = shift x left y steps.
- Multiplication (and division) by a constant is a common operation. They can be replaced by cheaper sequences of shifts and adds.

```
x := x * 32 ;
```

↓

```
x := SHL(x, 5);
```

```
x := x * 100 ;
```

↓

```
x := x * (64 + 32 + 4)
```

↓

```
x := x * 64 + x * 32 + x * 4
```

↓

```
x := SHL(x, 6) + SHL(x, 5) +  
SHL(x, 2)
```

Global Optimization

Global Optimization I

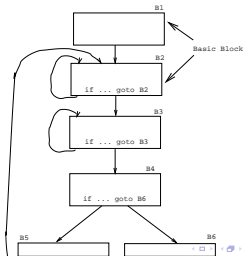
Control Flow Graphs

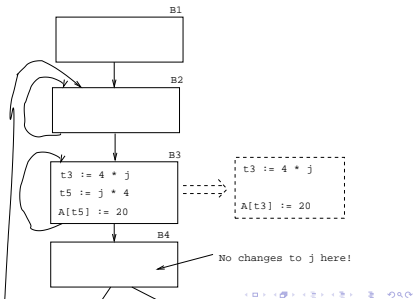
- Makes use of control-flow and data-flow analysis.

Transformations

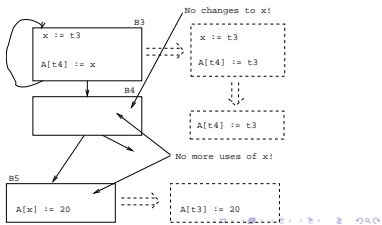
- Dead code elimination.
- Common subexpression elimination (local and global).
- Loop unrolling.
- Code hoisting.
- Induction variables.
- Reduction in strength.
- Copy propagation.
- Live variable analysis.
- Uninitialized Variable Analysis.

- We perform our optimizations over the control flow graph of a procedure.

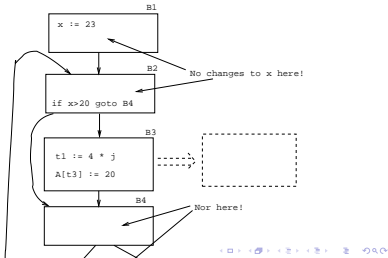




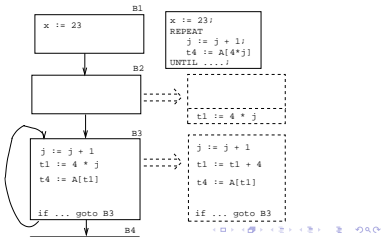
- Many optimizations produce $X := Y$.
- After an assignment $X := Y$, replace references to X by Y . Remove the assignment if possible.



- A piece of code is dead if we can determine at compile time that it will never be executed.

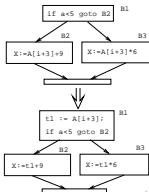


- If i and j are updated simultaneously in a loop, and $j = i * c_1 + c_2$ (c_1, c_2 are constants) we can remove one of them, and/or replace $*$ by $+$.



- Move code that is computed twice in different basic blocks to a common ancestor block.

```
IF a < 5 THEN X := A[i+3] + 9;
ELSE X := A[i+3] * 6 END
```



Loop Unrolling

Loop Unrolling

————— **Constant Bounds** —————

```
FOR i := 1 TO 5 DO A[i]:=i END
```

↓

```
A[1] := 1; A[2] := 2; A[3] := 3;
A[4] := 4; A[5] := 5;
```

————— **Variable Bounds** —————

```
FOR i := 1 TO n DO A[i] := i END
```

↓

```
i := 1;
WHILE i <= (n-4) DO
  A[i]:=i; A[i+1]:=i+1; A[i+2]:=i+2;
  A[i+3]:=i+3; A[i+4]:=i+4; i:=i+5;
END;
WHILE i<=n DO A[i]:=i; i:=i+1; END
```

- Loop unrolling increases code size. How does this affect?

Inter-procedural Optimizations

- Consider the *entire* program during optimization.
- How can this be done for languages that support separately compiled modules?

Transformations

- Inline expansion
 - Replace a procedure call with the code of the called procedure.
- Procedure Cloning
 - Create multiple specialized copies of a single procedure.
- Inter-procedural constant propagation
 - If we know that a particular procedure is always called with a constant parameter with a specific value, we can optimize for this case.

Original Code:

```

FUNCTION Power (n, exp:INT):INT;
  IF exp < 0 THEN result := 0;
  ELSIF exp = 0 THEN result := 1;
  ELSE result := n;
    FOR i := 2 TO exp DO
      result := result * n;
    END; END;
  RETURN result;
END Power;

BEGIN X := 7; PRINT Power(X,2) END;

```

Expanded Code:

```

BEGIN
  X := 7;

```

After copy propagation

```

X := 7;
  result := 7;
  FOR i := 2 TO 2 DO
    result := result * 7;
  END;
PRINT result;

```

After loop unrolling

```

X := 7;
  result := 7;
  result := result * 7;
PRINT result;

```

After constant folding

```

result := 49;

```

Original Code:

```

FUNCTION Power (n, exp:INT):INT;
  IF exp < 0 THEN result := 0;
  ELSIF exp = 0 THEN result := 1;
  ELSE result := n;
    FOR i := 2 TO exp DO
      result := result * n;
    END;
  RETURN result;
END Power;

BEGIN PRINT Power(X,2), Power(X,7) END;

```

Cloned Routines:

```

FUNCTION Power0 (n):INT; RETURN 1;
FUNCTION Power2 (n):INT; RETURN n * n;
FUNCTION Power7 (n):INT; RETURN n * n * n * n * n * n * n;

```

Machine Dependent vs. Machine Independent Optimization

- Optimizations such as inline expansion and loop unrolling seem pretty machine independent. You don't need to know anything special about the machine architecture to implement these optimizations, in fact, both inline expansion and loop unrolling can be applied at the source code level. (May or may not be true for inline expansion, depending on the language).
- However, since both inline expansion and loop unrolling normally increase the code size of the program, these optimizations do, in fact, interact with the hardware.

Machine (In-)Dependent Opt.? I

- A loop that previously might have fit in the instruction cache of the machine, may overflow the cache once it has been unrolled, and therefore increase the cache miss rate so that the unrolled loop runs slower than the original one.
- The unrolled loop may even be spread out over more than one virtual memory page and hence affect the paging system adversely.
- The same argument holds for inline expansion.

Example I

Example I/a – Loop Invariants

_____ Original code: _____

```
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    FOR K := 1 TO 100 DO
      A[I][J][K] := (I*J)*K;
    END;
  END;
END
```

_____ Find loop invariants: _____

```
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  T3 := ADR(A[I]);
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    T1 := ADR(T3[J]);
    T2 := I * J;
    FOR K := 1 TO 100 DO
```

Example I/b – Strength Reduct.

```
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  T3 := ADR(A[I]);
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    T1 := ADR(T3[J]); T2 := I * J;
    FOR K := 1 TO 100 DO T1[K]:=T2*K END;
  END;
END
```

_____ After strength reduction: _____

```
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  T3 := ADR(A[I]); T4 := I;
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    T1 := ADR(T3[J]);
    T2 := T4; (* T4 = I*J *)
    T5 := T2; (* Init T2*K *)
    FOR K := 1 TO 100 DO
```

Example I/c – Copy Propagation

```
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  T3 := ADR(A[I]); T4 := I;
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    T1 := ADR(T3[J]); T2 := T4; T5 := T2;
    FOR K := 1 TO 100 DO
      T1[K] := T5; T5 := T5 + T2;
    END; T4 := T4 + I;
  END;
END
```

_____ After Copy Propagation: _____

```
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  T3 := ADR(A[I]); T4 := I;
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    T1 := ADR(T3[J]); T5 := T4;
    FOR K := 1 TO 100 DO
```

Example I/d – Array Indexing

- Expand subscripting operations. Pascal array indexing turns into C-like address manipulation!

_____ Expand Indexing: _____

```
VAR A:ARRAY[1..100,1..100,1..100] OF INT;
```

```
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  T3 := ADR(A) + (10000*I)-10000;
  T4 := I;
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    T1 := T3 +(100*J)-100;
    T5 := T4;
    FOR K := 1 TO 100 DO
      (T1+K-1)↑ := T5;
      T5 := T5 + T4;
    END;
    T4 := T4 + I;
```

Strength Red. + Copy Prop.:

```

T6 := ADR(A);
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  T4 := I;
  T7 := T6;
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    T5 := T4;
    T8 := T7;
    FOR K := 1 TO 100 DO
      T8↑ := T5;
      T5 := T5 + T4;
      T8 := T8 + 1;
    END;
    T4 := T4 + I;
    T7 := T7 + I00;
  END;
END;

```

```

T6 := ADR(A);
FOR I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  T4 := I; T7 := T6;
  FOR J := 1 TO 100 DO
    T5 := T4; T8 := T7;
    FOR K := 1 TO 10 DO DO
      T8↑ := T5; T5 += T4; T8 ++;
      T8↑ := T5; T5 += T4; T8 ++;
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      T8↑ := T5; T5 += T4; T8 ++;
    END;
  END;
END;

```

Example II

Example II/a – Inline Expansion

- <ftp://cs.washington.edu/pub/pardo>. The code has been simplified substantially..
- `bitblt` copies image region regions while performing an operation on the moved part.
- `s` is the source, `d` the destination, `i` the index in the `x` direction, `j` the index in the `y` direction.
- Every time around the loop we have to execute a switch (case) statement, which is very inefficient.
- Here we'll show how `bitblt` can be optimized by inlining. It's also amenable to **run-time** (dynamic) code generation. I.e. we include the code generator in the executable and generate code for `bitblt` when we know what it's arguments are.

Original Code

```

#define BB_S (0xc)
bitblt (mask_t m, word s, word d, int op)
{for (j=0; j<dy; ++j) {
  for (i=nw+1; i>0; --i) {
    switch (op) {
      case (0) : *d &= ~mask; break;
      case (BB_D&~BB_S) :
        *d ^= ((s &*d) & mask); break;
      case (~BB_S) :
        *d ^= ((~s ^ *d) & mask); break;
      /* Another 12 cases... */
      case (BB_X) : *d |= mask; break;
    }; d++;
  }; d++; s++;
}

```

Expanded Code

```

main () {
d = src; s=dst;
for (j=0; j<dy; ++j) {
  for (i=nw+1; i>0; --i) {
    switch (BB_S) {
      case (0) : *d &= ~mask; break;
      case (BB_D&~BB_S) :
        *d ^= ((s &*d) & mask); break;
      case (~BB_S) :
        *d ^= ((~s ^ *d) & mask); break;
      /* Another 12 cases... */
      case (BB_X) : *d |= mask; break;
    }; d++;
  }; d++; s++;
}

```

After Dead Code Elim

```

main () {
d = src; s=dst;
for (j=0; j<dy; ++j) {
  for (i=nw+1; i>0; --i) {
    d ^= ((s ^ *d) & mask);
    d++;
  };
  d++; s++;
}

```

Summary

- Read the Dragon book: 530–532, 585–602.
- Debugging optimized code: See the Dragon book. pp. 703–711.
- Difficult problems:
 - Which transformations are actually profitable?
 - How do we avoid unsafe optimizations?
 - What part of the code should we optimize?
 - How do we take machine dependencies (cache size) into account?
 - At which level(s) do we optimize (source, interm. code, machine code)?
 - How do we order the different optimizations?