# Compiler Optimisation 8 – Dependence Analysis

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# Introduction

This lecture:

- Parallelism
- Types of dependence flow, anti and output
- Distance and direction vectors
- Classification of loop based data dependences
- Dependence tests: gcd, Banerjee and Omega

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#### Parallelism Programming parallel computers

#### • Schools of thought:

- User specifies low-level parallelism and mapping
- User specifies parallelism (e.g. skeletons) system tunes mapping
- Ompiler finds parallelism in sequential code
- Popular approach is to break the transformation process into stages
- Transform to maximise parallelism i.e minimise critical path of program execution graph
- Map parallelism to minimise "significant" machine costs i.e. communication/ non-local access etc.

#### Parallelism Different forms of parallelism

#### Statement parallelism

a = b + cd = e + f

Operation parallelism

a = (b + c) \* (e + f)

# Function parallelism f(a) = if (a <= 1) then return 0 else return f(a-1)+f(a-2)</pre>

#### Loop parallelism

for(i = 1 to n) A[i] = b[i] + c

#### Parallelism Loop parallelism / Array parallelism

Original loop	
for(i = 1 to n)	
A[i] = b[i] + c	

# Parallel loop parfor(i = 1 to n) A[i] = b[i] + c

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- All iterations of the iterator *i* can be performed independently
- Independence implies parallelism
- Loop parallelism O(n) potential parallelism
   Compare statement and operation parallelism O(1).
- Recursive parallelism rich but dynamic. Exploited in functional computational models

#### Parallelism Parallelism and data dependence



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Note: iterations NOT array elements

#### Parallelism Parallelism and data dependence

Need to apply transformations and know when it is safe to do so

#### Reordering transformation

A reordering transformation is any program transformation that only changes the execution order of statements without adding or deleting statements

A reordering transformation that preserves every dependence, preserves the meaning of the program

Parallelising loop iterations allows random interleaving (reordering) of statements in loop body

Relationship between reads and writes to memory has critical impact on parallelism

3 types of data dependence



output can be removed by renaming

- Data-flow analysis can be used to define data dependences on a per block level for scalars but fails in presence of arrays
- Need finer grained analysis determine if statements' array usage access same memory location and type of dependence

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Consider two loops:

for(i = 1 to n) A[i+1] = A[i] + b[i] for(i = 1 to n)
S | A[i+2] = A[i] + b[i]

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- In both cases, statement S depends on itself
- However, there is a significant difference
- Need formalism to describe and distinguish such dependences



#### Iteration number

Each iteration in a loop has an **iteration number** which is the value of the loop index at that iteration

#### Normalised iteration number

For iteration number *i* in loop with bounds *L*, *U*, and stride *S*, the **normalised iteration number** is<sup>*a*</sup>

$$(I-L+S)/S$$

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Convenient to normalise

<sup>a</sup>This definition is one-based



#### Iteration vectors extend this notion to loop nests

Iteration vector

Iteration vector  ${\cal I}$  of iteration is the vector of integers containing iteration numbers for loops in order of nesting level

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 $\begin{cases} \text{for}(i = 1 \text{ to } 4) \\ \text{for}(j = 1 \text{ to } 6) \\ \text{some-statement} \\ \text{Iteration vector, } (2, 1) \text{ of } S \text{ is when } i = 2 \text{ and } j = 1 \end{cases}$ 

#### Dependence Iteration vectors

#### Iteration vectors for simple loop



Iteration vectors ordered by execution order For normalised vectors this is lexicographical ordering

#### Lexicographical ordering

For two iteration vectors,  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\mathcal{J}$ ,  $\mathcal{I} < \mathcal{J}$  iff **1**  $\mathcal{I}[1:n-1] < \mathcal{J}[1:n-1]$ , or **2**  $\mathcal{I}[1:n-1] = \mathcal{J}[1:n-1]$  and  $\mathcal{I}_n < \mathcal{J}_n$ 

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#### Lexicographical ordering



#### Loop-independent dependency

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#### Loop-carried dependency

If statement  $S_2$  depends on  $S_1$  and  $S_1, S_2$  execute in different iterations

#### Dependence distance

If dependence is between iterations  $\mathcal{I}_{write}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{read}$ , then distance is  $\mathcal{I}_{read} - \mathcal{I}_{write}$ 

#### Distance example

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- If dependence distances all same, then say loop has that dependence distance
- But, loop may have many different dependence distances
- Direction vector summarises directions
- If first non '=' element is '<' then indicates flow dependence<sup>1</sup>

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Direction vector summary of distance dimensions i.e. per dimension < All +ve > All -ve

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>After *Diophantus of Alexandria* c. 210AD <sup>3</sup>This is Hilberts tenth problem – set in 1900, proven in 1970 <sup>4</sup>Consider  $n \ge 2, \forall a, b, c > 0; a^n + b^n - c^n \ne 0$  (*Fermat's last theorem*) <sup>5</sup>Integer linear programming is NP-complete

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- Limit to linear diophantine equations with constraints<sup>5</sup>

 $a_n x_1 + a_{n-1} x_{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x_1 + a_0 = 0$ 

#### Solving the dependence problem

#### Example

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Are there integer solutions for  $i_w, j_w, i_r, j_r$ ?Yes, lots:

$$1 \leq i_w = i_r \leq j_w = (j_r - 1) \leq 99$$

## Dependence Hierarchical computation of dependence directions in loops

- Test for any dependence from iteration  $\mathcal{I}_w$  to  $\mathcal{I}_r$ :  $1 \leq \mathcal{I}_w \leq n, 1 \leq \mathcal{I}_r \leq n \wedge f(\mathcal{I}_w) = g(\mathcal{I}_r)$
- Use this test to test any direction [\*]
- If solutions add additional constraints:
  - < direction : add  $\mathcal{I}_w < \mathcal{I}_r$ ,
  - = direction : add  $\mathcal{I}_w = \mathcal{I}_r$
- Extend for multi loops, [\*, \*] then [<, \*], [=, \*] etc hierarchical testing
- If L is loop depth, requires  $O(3^L)$ ) tests per array access pair!

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• Full problem is NP-complete; use some quick and dirty tests

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- Apply test
- If fail to accurately solve dependence, try more tests
- Still fail? Assume dependency
- Never dangerous, may be sub-optimal
- Works correctly for vast majority of code

• Test for each subscript in turn, if any subscript has no dependence - then no solution

## ZIV, SIV, MIV

• Subscript is pair of expressions at same dimension

ZIV if it contains no index - e.g.  $\langle 2, 10 \rangle$ SIV if it contains only one index - e.g.  $\langle i, i + 2 \rangle$ MIV if it contains more than one index - e.g.  $\langle i + j, j \rangle$ 

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# Dependence ZIV test

# ZIV $A[..., c_w, ...] = A[..., c_r, ...] ...$ If $c_w$ and $c_r$ are constants or loop invariant and $c_w \neq c_r$ No dependence

## ZIV example

$$A[5, j+1, 10, k] = A[i, j, 12, k-1] + c$$

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Third subscript has ZIV, and  $10 \neq 12$  No dependence

## Dependence Strong SIV test

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Constraint is:

$$A[ai+c_w] = A[ai+c_r] \dots$$
$$ai_w + c_w = ai_r + c_r \implies$$

$$i_w - i_r = (c_w - c_r)/a$$

Has solution is  $(c_w - c_r)/a$  is integer and is in range.

#### Strong SIV example

Subscript is Strong SIV,  $a=1, c_w=1, c_r=0$  $(c_w-c_r)/a=1\in [1,10]$ 

Dependence

## Dependence General SIV test or greatest common divisor

## General SIV test

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aint is:  

$$A[a_wi+c_w] = A[a_ri+c_r] \dots$$

$$a_wi_w + c_w = a_ri_r + c_r$$

If  $gcd(a_w, a_r)$  does not divides  $c_w - c_r$  then no solution. Else possibly many solutions.

## General SIV example

Subscript is Strong SIV,  $a_w = 2$ ,  $a_r = 4$ ,  $c_w = 1$ ,  $c_r = 0$  $(c_w - c_r)/gcd(a_w, a_r) = 0.5$ 

#### No dependence



- GCD test does not consider range only if integer solution possible somewhere
- Banerjee test for existence of real valued solution in range
- If no real solution in range, then no integer one either

#### Banerjee test

$$A[a_wi+c_w] = A[a_ri+c_r] \dots$$

Constraint is:

$$a_w i_w + c_w = a_r i_r + c_r \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$h(i_w,i_r)=a_wi_w-a_ri_r+c_w-c_r=0$$

True by intermediate value theorem, if  $max(h) \ge 0 \land min(h) \le 0$ 

## Dependence Banerjee test

#### Banerjee test

- We have  $2i_w + 3 = i_r + 7$ ,  $h = 2i_w i_r 4$  and  $1 \le i_w \le i_r \le 100$
- max(h) = (2 \* 100 1 4) = 195, min(h) = (2 \* 1 100 4) = -102
- max(h) = 195 ≥ 0 ≥ min(h) = 102 − Hence solution
- Simple example can be extended. Technical difficulties with complex iteration spaces
- Performed sub-script at a time, Used for MIV
#### Dependence Pugh's Omega Test<sup>6</sup>

- Exact solutions using integer linear programming
- Fast enough for most real programs
  - Worst case exponential time
  - Commonly low order polynomial
  - Can directly yield direction and distance

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- Algorithm
  - Express constraints
  - Simplify constraints
  - Do Fourier-Motzkin elimination

Geometric interpretation of constraints

- Constraints define *n* dimensional, revalued volume
- If empty no possible integer solutions
- Project volume to one fewer dimensions giving real shadow
- If no integer points in shadow, no integer points in volume





Integer points in real shadow do not imply integer points in volume

- Define 'dark shadow' where if dark shadow contains integer point then real volume must
- E.g.<sup>7</sup> shadow wherever real volume is thicker than 1
- No integer points in dark shadow does not imply no integer points in real volume

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Read paper for what they do







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## Summary

- Parallelism
- Types of dependence flow, anti and output
- Distance and direction vectors
- Classification of loop based data dependences
- Dependence tests: gcd, Banerjee and Omega

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