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Example b is control dependent on a c is control dependent on a a and d are control dependent on **START**

Applications of CD

Dead code elimination
Scheduling (hyper-block formation)
Predication

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Simple Dead Code Elimination

Mark inherently live statement live Store to memory, print, … For each variable in these live statements, mark its definition statement live. For each live statement, mark it live the node that it is control dependent on. Remove everything that is not marked.

Example

if (x > 0) {
printf("greater than zero");
}

The printf statement is inherently live. You also need to mark the "if (x>0)" live because the 'print' statement is control dependent on the 'if'.

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Post-dominator Relation

- If X appears on every path from START to Y, then X *dominates* Y.
- If X appears on every path from Y to END, then X postdominates Y.
- Postdominator Tree
 - END is the root
 - Any node Y other than END has ipdom(Y) as its parent
 - Parent, child, ancestor, descendant

Control Dependence Relation

There are two possible definitions.

- Node w is control dependent on edge (u→v) if
 - w postdominates v
 - If $w \neq u$, w does not postdominate u
- Node w is control dependent on node u if there exists an edge u→v
 - w postdominates v
 - If $w \neq u$, w does not postdominate u





Pdom Tree

	а	b	С	d	е
S→a					
b→c					

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Control Dependence Queries

- CD(e): set of nodes control dependent on edge e
- CONDS(v): set of edges that node v is control dependent on

Dominance Frontier

- Reverse control flow graph (RCFG)
- Let X and Y be nodes in CFG. X in DF(Y) in CFG iff Y is control dependent on X in RCFG.
- DF(Y) in CFG = conds(Y) in RCFG, where conds(Y) is the set of nodes that Y is control dependent on.

Worst-case Size of CDR



	а	b	С	d
S→a				
d→a				
c→b				

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Worst-case Size of CDR



	а	b	С	d
S→a	\checkmark	\checkmark		
d→a	\checkmark			
c→b				

Control Dependence Relation Size = $O(n^2)$

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APT

APT: Augmented Postdominator Tree which can be built in O(|E|) space and time which can be used to answer CD and CONDS queries in time proportional to output size Optimal control dependence computation Solution: reduced control computation to a graph problem called Roman Chariots **Problem**

Key Idea (I): Exploit Structure

How to avoid building the entire control dependence relation (O(n²))?

- Nodes that are control dependent on an edge e form a simple path in the postdominator tree
- In a tree, a simple path is uniquely specified by its endpoints.

Pdom tree + endpoints of each control dependence path can be built in O(|E|) space and time



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CD Queries

How can we use the compact representation of the CDR (Control Dependence Relation) to answer queries for CD and CONDS sets in time proportional to output size?

Roman Chariots Problem



CD(n): which cities are served by chariot n?
 CONDS(w): which chariots serve city w?

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CD(n): which cities are served by chariot n?

- Look up entry for chariot n in Route Array (say [x,y])
- Traverse nodes in tree T, starting at x and ending at y
- Output all nodes encountered in traversal
- Query time is proportional to output size

CONDS(w): which chariots serve city w?

- For each chariot c in Route Array do
 - Let route of c be [x,y];
 - If w is an ancestor of x and w is a descendant of y then
 - Output c;
- Can we avoid examining all routes?

Key Idea (II): Caching

At each node in the tree, keep a list of chariot #'s whose bottom node is n.



Chariot #	route
I	[a,e]
II	[c,b]

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For each descendant d of w do
 For each route c = [x,y] in list at d do
 If w is a descendant of y then

 Output c;

 Query time is proportional to # of descendants + size of all lists at d

Sorting Lists

Sort each list by decreasing length



Chariot #	route
	[e,d]
	[e,c]
	[e,b]
IV	[e,a]

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CONDS(w): which chariots serve city w?

For each descendant d of w do
For each route c = [x,y] in list at d do
If w is a descendant of y
then

Output c;
else
break

Query time is proportional to size of output + # of descendants

Caching at All Nodes on Route

Sort each list by decreasing length



Space Time Tradeoff

Chariot # stored only at bottom node of the route
 Space: O(|V| + |A|)

- Query Time: O(|V| + |Output|)
- Chariot # stored at all nodes on route
 Space: O(|V| * |A|)
 Query Time: O(|Output|)
- V is the set of tree nodes, and A is the Route Array.

Key idea (III): Caching Zones

- Divide tree into ZONES
- Nodes in Zone:
 - Boundary nodes: lowest nodes in zone
 - Interior nodes: all other nodes
- Query procedure:
 - Visit only nodes below query node and in the same zone as query node

Caching Rule

- Boundary node: store all chariots serving node
- Interior node: store all chariots whose bottom node is that node
- Algorithm: bottom-up, greedy zone construction
 - Query time: $|A_v| + |Z_v| \le (\alpha + 1) |A_v|$
 - Space requirements $\leq |A| + |V| / \alpha$

Constructing Zones (I)

 Invariant: for any node v, |Z_v| ≤ α |A_v| + 1, where α is a design parameter.
 Query time for CONDS(v)
 = O(|A_v| + |Z_v|)
 = O((α + 1)|A_v| + 1)
 = O(|A_v|)

Constructing Zones (II)

Build zones bottom-up, making them as large as possible without violating invariant
V is a leaf node, then make v a boundary node
V is an interior node then

If (1 + ∑_{u ∈ children(v)} |Z_u|) > α |A_v| + 1
 then make v a boundary node
 else make v an interior node





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$\alpha = <<$ (full caching)

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APT (I)

Postdominator tree with bidirectional edges dfs-number[v]: integer Used for ancestorship determination in **CONDS** query Boundary?[v]: boolean True if v is a boundary node, false otherwise Used in CONDS query

APT (II)

- L[v]: list pf chariots #'s/control dependences
 - Boundary node: all chariots serving v (all control dependences of v)
 - Interior node: all chariots whose bottom node is v (all immediate control dependences of v)
 Used in CONDS query

Computational Complexity

Query time: (α + 1) * output-size
 Space: |E| + |V|/α

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