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Overview of Intel Compiler

Optimizing compiler on 4 Architectures Itanium, IA32, IXP, Xscale Platforms ■ Windows32/64, Linux32/64, ... C/C++/FORTRAN95 Record setting performance

■ Spec, TPC-C, ...

Close to 3 million lines of code

Compiler Architecture



Impact of HLO Component



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Impact of Transformations



178.galgel Code Example POP1(1:N) = MATMUL(POP(1:N,1:N), Y(K+1:K+N))

```
do ii=1,N
 POP1(ii) = 0.0
 do jj=1,N
  POP1(ii) = POP1(ii)
     +POP(ii,jj)*Y(jj+K)
  enddo
enddo
              (a)
do ii = 1, N
 POP1(ii) = 0.0
enddo distribution
do jj = 1, N interchange
 do ii = 1, N
  POP1(ii) = POP1(ii)
    +POP(ii, jj)*Y(jj+K)
 enddo
enddo
              (b)
```

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do jj=1, N
t5 = & POP1(prefdist)
t6 = &POP(prefdist,jj)
 do ii=1,N,2
  t1,t2 = ldfdp(\&POP1(ii))
  t3,t4 = ldfdp(\& POP(ii,jj))
  POP1(ii) = t1+t3*Y(jj+K)
  POP1(ii+1) = t2+t4*Y(jj+K)
  lfetch(t5)
  t7 = t5 + increment
  t5 = t6 // MCOPY
  t6 = t7 // MCOPY
 enddo
... remainder ...
enddo
               (c)
```

IPO and PGO



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Additional Optimizations

Register Stack Traffic Reduction
Data Layout Optimizations
Setjmp() Overhead Reduction
Speculation and Instruction Prefetching
Preemption Models





Speed-Ups of Code Layout Optimizations



Speed-Ups of Data Access Optimizations



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Introduction

Pointer analysis is an active research area Reasonably accurate and efficient algorithms Metrics focused on analysis itself The real problem is memory disambiguation Pointer analysis is one piece of the puzzle What is the pay off for this and other methods? Building a disambiguator Very important component of compiler Little published on how to build framework

Disambiguation Methods

Intraprocedural methods Direct memory references (direct) Indirect references without points-to (indirect) Simple base + offset analysis (sbo) Local points-to analysis (lpt) Array data dependence analysis (array) Interprocedural methods Global address taken analysis (global) Whole program points-to analysis (wpt) Methods requiring user assertion Type-based disambiguation (type)

Note This Order

Disambiguation Result Summary



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Performance for Methods



Key Insights: Successful Disambiguation Simpler methods very effective Steal from more complex ones Distinguishing structure fields important Recognition of memory allocators important Points-to set size not reliable indicator of

usefulness of points-to information

Unsuccessful Disambiguation: Top Five Reasons

- 1. User memory allocation
- 2. Lack of knowledge of library behavior
- 3. Indirect calls with many potential targets
- 4. Difficult array dependence cases
- Loss of accuracy due to not distinguishing structure instances

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