# **Control-Flow based Optimizations**

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# **Code Reordering**

קוד חק - מתפגל המון פלמיק ויט תכמון זמת באופטימיניצים וואן

# **Original code:**

# **Reordered code:**

**CMP R8, R9** 

**CMP R8, R9** 

THEN PART

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### L1: CONTINUE PART

Improving:

1. Cache ratio - ("Hot" code grouped together)

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2. Branch Penalty - (the "BT L2" is rarely taken)

# **Example of loop unroll with code reorder**

# Original code: Loop\_label: .... CMP R8, R9 jl L1 .... THEN PART .... L1: CONTINUE PART .... inc r11 cmp r11, 0x9999 jle loop\_label

```
Unrolled x2 code:
Loop_label:
   CMP R8, R9
   jl L1
   THEN PART
  L1: CONTINUE PART
  inc r11
  cmp r11, 0x9999
  jg outside_loop_label // jle ? jg
....
   CMP R8, R9
   jl L1
   THEN PART
  L1: CONTINUE PART
  inc r11
  cmp r11, 0x9999
  jle loop_label
outside_loop_label:
```

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Unrolled x2 + reordered code:
Loop_label:
   CMP R8, R9
   jge OUTSIDE_L1_1 // jl ? jge
L1_1: CONTINUE PART
  inc r11
  cmp r11, 0x9999
 jg outside_loop_label // jle ? jg
   CMP R8, R9
   jge OUTSIDE_L1_2 // jl ? jge
L1_2: CONTINUE PART
  ....
  inc r11
  cmp r11, 0x9999
 jle loop_label
outside_loop_label:
....
OUTSIDE_L1_1:
   THEN PART
   jmp |1_1
OUTSIDE_L1_2:
   THEN PART
   jmp l1_2
```

# **Code reordering optimization**

Reduce number of branch instructions

Reduce the number of I-cache misses

Reduce the number of I-TLB misses

Reduce the number of page faults

Reduce the branch penalty

Improve branch prediction

# **Code Reordering Example - Original code**

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define MAX_ITERATIONS 1000000000
void main()
 int i,j,x =0 ,y=0,z=0;
 for (i=0; i < MAX_ITERATIONS; i++) {
   if (i <= MAX_ITERATIONS) {</pre>
    X++;
   } else {
    X++;
```

# **Code Reordering Example - cont'd**

```
L2:
L2:
                                          cmpl
                                                 $99999999, -4(%ebp)
 cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
                                         jg L1
 jg L1
                                                 $100000000, -4(%ebp)
                                         cmpl
 cmpl$100000000, -4(%ebp)
                                         jg L5
 jg L5
                                         leal -12(%ebp), %eax # x++
                                         incl (%eax)
 leal-12(%ebp), %eax # x++
                                          # jmp L4
 incl(%eax)
 jmp L4
                                      L4:
L5:
                                         leal -4(%ebp), %eax # i++
 leal-12(%ebp), %eax # x++
                                         incl (%eax)
                                         jmp L2
 incl(%eax)
                                     L1:
L4:
                                         leave
 leal-4(%ebp), %eax # i++
                                         ret
 incl(%eax)
 jmp L2
                                     L5:
L1:
                                         leal -12(%ebp), %eax # x++
 leave
                                         incl (%eax)
                                         imp L4
 ret
```

# **Code Reordering Example - results**

```
Select /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
$ time ./FuncInlineBefore.exe
           0m4.273s
0m4.211s
0m0.015s
real
user
5 Y S
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
$ time ./FuncInlineAfter.exe
           0m3.207s
0m3.151s
real
user
            0m0.046s
S 7 S
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
```

# **Loop Unroll Example - Before and After**

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define MAX_ITERATIONS 1000000000
void main()
 int i,j,x =0,y=0,z=0;
 for (i=0; i < MAX_ITERATIONS; i++)
    X++:
    y++;
    Z++:
 printf("x=\%d y=\%d z=\%d\n", x,y,z);
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
// provided MAX_ITERATIONS is even:
#define MAX_ITERATIONS 1000000000
void main()
 int i,j,x =0 ,y=0,z=0;
 for (i=0; i < MAX ITERATIONS; i+=2) {
    X++;
    y++;
    Z++:
    X++;
    y++;
    Z++;
 printf("x=\%d y=\%d z=\%d\n", x,y,z);
```

# Loop Unroll Example1 - cont'd

```
L2:
    leal-12(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-16(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-20(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-4(%ebp), %eax // loop var
    incl(%eax)
    cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
    Jle L2
L3:
```

```
leal-12(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-16(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-20(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-4(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
   jg L3 // reverse the cond. jump
    leal-12(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-16(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-20(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-4(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
    Jle I 2
_3:
```

# Loop Unroll Example2 - cont'd

```
L2:
    cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
    jgL3
    leal-12(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-16(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-20(%ebp), %eax
    incl(%eax)
    leal-4(%ebp), %eax // loop var i
    incl(%eax)
    jmp L2
L3:
```

```
cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
    jgL3
     leal-12(%ebp), %eax
     incl(%eax)
     leal-16(%ebp), %eax
     incl(%eax)
     leal-20(%ebp), %eax
     incl(%eax)
     leal-4(%ebp), %eax
     incl(%eax)
     # jmpL2
     cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
    jgL3
     leal-12(%ebp), %eax
     incl(%eax)
     leal-16(%ebp), %eax
     incl(%eax)
     leal-20(%ebp), %eax
     incl(%eax)
     leal-4(%ebp), %eax
     incl(%eax)
    jmpL2
L3:
```

# Loop Unroll Example 2 - cont'd

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```
cmpl$99999999-1, -4(%ebp) // fix compare
      jg L2_Tail
      leal-12(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-16(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-20(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-4(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      # jmp L2
      #cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
      #jg L3
      leal-12(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-16(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-20(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-4(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      jmpL2
L2 Tail:
      cmpl$99999999, -4(%ebp)
      jgL3
      leal-12(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-16(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-20(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      leal-4(%ebp), %eax
      incl(%eax)
      jmp L2_Tail
```

# Loop Unrolling in Pseudo C - cont'd

```
goto remainder label;
for (i=0; i < N-X;)
 <body>; i++; // unroll 1
 <body>; i++; // unroll 2
 <body>; i++; // unroll X
remainder_label:
for (; i < N; i++) {
<body>
```

# **Loop Unrolling Example - results**

```
/cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
$ time ./UnrollShortLoopBefore.exe
x=10000000000 y=10000000000 z=10000000000
          0m2.479s
real
          0m2.371s
user
          0m0.062s
SYS
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
$ time ./UnrollShortLoopAfter.exe
x=10000000000 y=1000000000 z=1000000000
          0m2.979s
0m2.917s
real
user
          0m0.046s
SYS
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
Select /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
 time ./UnrollShortLoopBefore.exe
x=10000000000 y=1000000000 z=10000000000
          0m2.528s
real
          0m2.433s
user
          0m0.061s
SYS
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
$ time ./UnrollShortLoopAfter2.exe
x=10000000000 y=10000000000 z=1000000000
          0m2.400s
real
          0m2.324s
user
          0m0.015s
SYS
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
```

# **Determining Possible Candidates for Loop Unrolling**

# **Loop Unrolling Pattern:**

- Loop is reducable,
  - i.e. does not contain direct jumps to middle of it
- Loop terminates with a conditional backward jump to beginning of loop
  - Sets the locations of the end loop and loop beginning
- Conditional backward jump is preceded by a Check instruction that sets RFLAGS
- Check instruction consists of 2 operands:
  - operand1: Loop induction variable/reg Written in loop only once before the Check
  - Operand2: Compare Variable/Reg Read-only variable/reg in the loop
- Loop induction variable is written to only once in a dominating location according to the Control Flow Graph (CFG) of the loop
- **14.00p** induction variable is updated by a constant stride

# **Function Inline Example – Before and After**

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define MAX ITERATIONS
1000000000
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void foo()
 int x=0, y=0;
 X++;
 V++:
void main()
 int i,j,x =0,y=0,z=0;
 for (i=0; i < MAX_ITERATIONS; i++) {
   foo();
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define MAX_ITERATIONS 1000000000
void foo()
int x=0, y=0;
X++;
y++;
void main()
 int i,j,x =0,y=0,z=0;
 for (i=0; i < MAX_ITERATIONS; i++) {</pre>
     { // body of foo():
      int x=0, y=0;
      X++:
      V++;
```

# Function Inline Example - cont'd

```
foo:
   pushl %ebp
   movl %esp, %ebp
   subl $8, %esp
   movl $0, -4(%ebp)
   movl $0, -8(%ebp)
   leal -4(%ebp), %eax
   incl (%eax)
   leal -8(%ebp), %eax
   incl (%eax)
   leave
   ret
main:
L3:
  cmpl $999999999, -4(%ebp)
  jg L2
  call foo
  leal -4(%ebp), %eax
  incl (%eax)
  jmp L3
```

```
L3:
 cmpl $999999999, -4(%ebp)
 jg L2
  # call foo
  pushl %ebp
  leal -4(%esp), %ebp # -4(%esp) is because the
call instruction reduces the esp by 4
# and places the return address on the stack
  # movl %esp, %ebp
  # subl $8, %esp
  subl $12, %esp # = subl $8+4, %esp (to keep
the same esp value here as in original foo)
  movl $0, -4(%ebp)
  movl $0, -8(%ebp)
  leal -4(%ebp), %eax
  incl (%eax)
  leal -8(%ebp), %eax
  incl (%eax)
  # leave
  # ret
  addl $12, %esp # addl $8+4, %esp (restore
%esp)
  popl %ebp
 leal -4(%ebp), %eax
 incl (%eax)
 jmp L3
```

# **Function Inline Example - results**

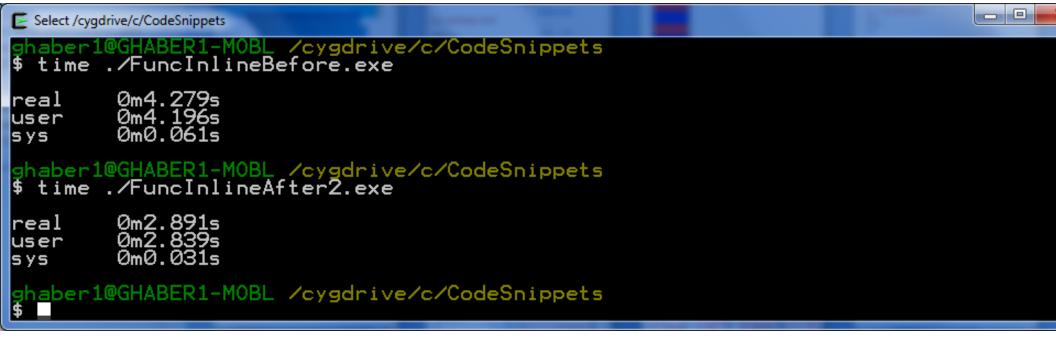
# Function Inline Example - cont'd

- If we can verify that the function \_\_foo() does not reference the %esp register after saving it in the prolog and that there are no internal function calls from within \_\_foo(), then we can further improve performance.
- The following transformation improved performance by 32% by removing the need
- to modify the %esp reg and use the

```
"leal -4(%esp), %ebp"
```

```
L3:
  cmpl $999999999, -4(%ebp)
  jg L2
  # call foo
  pushl %ebp
  leal -4(%esp), %ebp
  # movl %esp, %ebp
           $8, %esp
  # subl
  movl $0, -4(%ebp) # (need to make sure that the
body of _foo is not referencing %esp and there are
no function calls from within foo)
  movl $0, -8(%ebp)
  leal -4(%ebp), %eax
  incl (%eax)
  leal -8(%ebp), %eax
  incl (%eax)
  # leave
  # ret
  popl %ebp
   leal -4(%ebp), %eax
  incl (%eax)
  jmp L3
```

# **Function Inline cont'd Example - results**



# **Function Inline 2<sup>nd</sup> Example – Original code**

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define MAX_ITERATIONS
100000000
void foo()
int x=0, y=0;
X++;
y++;
int bar (int i, int j)
int x=0, y=0;
X++;
y++;
return i+j;
```

```
void main()
{
  int i,j,x =0 ,y=0,z=0;
  for (i=0; i < MAX_ITERATIONS; i++) {
     foo();
     y += bar(i,x);
  }
}</pre>
```

# **Functions Inline 2<sup>nd</sup> Example – Original code**

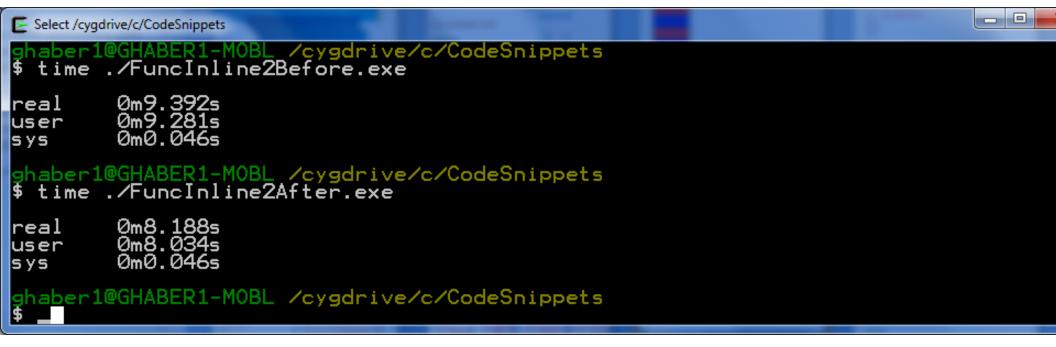
```
_main:
L4:
          $99999999, -
    cmpl
4(%ebp)
         L3
    jg
         _foo
    call
          -12(%ebp), %eax
    movl
          %eax, 4(%esp)
    movl
          -4(%ebp), %eax
    movl
          %eax, (%esp)
    movl
    call
          bar
          %eax, %edx
    movl
    leal
         -16(%ebp), %eax
    addl
          %edx, (%eax)
          -16(%ebp), %eax
    movl
    movl
          %eax, 4(%esp)
    movl
          $LC0, (%esp)
         -4(%ebp), %eax
    leal
    incl
         (%eax)
          L4
    jmp
```

```
foo:
    pushl %ebp
          %esp, %ebp
    movl
          $8, %esp
    subl
    movl
          $0, -4(%ebp)
          $0, -8(%ebp)
    movl
         -4(%ebp), %eax
    leal
         (%eax)
    incl
         -8(%ebp), %eax
    leal
    incl
         (%eax)
    leave
    ret
bar:
    pushl %ebp
          %esp, %ebp
    movl
          $8, %esp
    subl
          $0, -4(%ebp)
    movl
    movl
          $0, -8(%ebp)
         -4(%ebp), %eax
    leal
         (%eax)
    incl
         -8(%ebp), %eax
    leal
         (%eax)
    incl
    movl
          12(%ebp), %eax
          8(%ebp), %eax
    addl
    leave
    ret
```

```
main:
L4:
          $99999999, -
    cmpl
4(%ebp)
         L3
    jg
    call
         foo
          -12(%ebp), %eax
    movl
    movl
          %eax, 4(%esp)
          -4(%ebp), %eax
    movl
           %eax, (%esp)
    movl
    # call bar
    subl $4, %esp
CallBar:
    pushl %ebp
    movl
          %esp, %ebp
    subl
          $8, %esp
          $0, -4(%ebp)
    movl
          $0, -8(%ebp)
    movl
         -4(%ebp), %eax
    leal
         (%eax)
    incl
         -8(%ebp), %eax
    leal
         (%eax)
    incl
         12(%ebp), %eax
    movl
    addl
          8(%ebp), %eax
    #leave
          %ebp, %esp
    movl
          %ebp
    popl
    # ret
    addl $4, %esp
```

```
RetBar:
          %eax, %edx
    movl
    leal
         -16(%ebp), %eax
          %edx, (%eax)
    addl
    movl
          -16(%ebp),
%eax
          %eax, 4(%esp)
    movl
          $LC0, (%esp)
    movl
         -4(%ebp), %eax
    leal
    incl
         (%eax)
          L4
    jmp
```

# **Function Inline 2<sup>nd</sup> Example - results**



# **Function Inline Example - constrains**

## problematic function candidates for Inlining:

- Function Call is not to the beginning of a valid function
- Inlined function does not end with a ret instr
- Inlined function has more than one ret instrs
- Inlined function uses indirect calls/jumps
- Inlined function contains direct jumps outside the scope of the function
- Inlined function uses negative displacement from RSP or positive displacement from RBP.
- Stack pointer in the inlined function is not balanced
- More...

# **Function Specialization Example**

```
int foo(int choice)
  switch (choice)
    case 0:
     return 0;
   case 1:
    return 1;
   case 2:
    return 2:
void main()
 int i,j = 2,x = 0, y=0,z=0;
 for (i=0; i < MAX_ITERATIONS; i++) {
   foo(j);
 printf("x=\%d y=\%d z=\%d\n", x,y,z);
```

```
int foo 2()
 return 2;
int foo(int choice)
  switch (choice)
   case 0:
     return 0;
   case 1:
   return 1;
   case 2:
   return 2;
void main()
 int i,j = 2,x = 0, y=0,z=0;
 for (i=0; i < MAX ITERATIONS; i++) {
  if (j == 2)
    foo 2();
  else
    foo(j);
 printf("x=%d y=%d z=%d\n", x,y,z);
```

# **Function Specialization Example - results**

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```
Select /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
$ time ./FuncSpecializeBefore.exe
x=0 y=0 z=0
           0m6.150s
0m5.834s
0m0.000s
real
user
SYS
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
$ time_./FuncSpecializeAfter.exe
x = 0 y = 0 z = 0
real
           0m3.310s
           0m3.244s
0m0.030s
user
S y S
ghaber1@GHABER1-MOBL /cygdrive/c/CodeSnippets
```