PyDSL

A Python Subset for a better MLIR programming experience: Updates on new features and development

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Background: What is PyDSL?

- Python-based language that compiles to MLIR.
- @compile decorator turns a Python function into PyDSL and automatically compiles it.
- Pipeline: parses the AST, converts it to MLIR, lowers to shared library binary file.
- Compiled PyDSL functions can be called directly from Python. Arguments are converted to ctype, passed to shared library file.
- Has multiple supported backends including CPU and NPU. Can also be passed through existing MLIR pipelines.

```
import numpy as np
from pydsl.frontend import compile
from pydsl.memref import MemRef
from pydsl.scf import range
from pydsl.type import SInt16, SInt32
@compile()
def f(arr: MemRef[SInt32, 8, 4], x: SInt32, y: SInt16) ->
SInt32:
   z = x + y
   for i in range(8):
       for j in range(4):
           arr[i, j] += z
   return z
arr = np.zeros((8, 4), dtype=np.int32)
sm = f(arr, 7, 9)
print(arr)
print(sm)
```



Template Support

- Templates support PyDSL types as well as Python literals.
- Replaces the @compile() decorator, adds template descriptors at runtime to the AST's type parameters, and then everything is handled by the standard PyDSL compilation pipeline.
- @template() defers compilation until the function is called, creating a binary for each set of descriptors.
- Similar in design to C++ templates.
- Function caching is still working in progress.

adapted from tests/e2e/test_template.py

```
@template()
def calc[T, N, M](mat: Tensor[T, N, M]) -> Tensor[T, N, M]:
    n = Index(N)
    m = Index(M)
    mat[n - 1, m - 1] = 1
    return mat

arr = calc[F32, 10, 5](np.zeros((10, 5), dtype=np.float32))
arr = calc[F64, 1, 40](np.zeros((1, 40), dtype=np.float64))
```



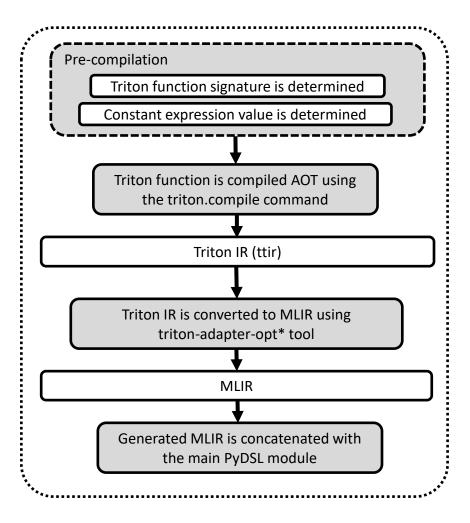
Autotuning support

- PyDSL has autotune support for parameters such as tile sizes, types, and anything that is a variable within a kernel.
- Using the @autotune decorator, a user can specify any number of autotune parameters.
- Performs an exhaustive search, compiling each possibility. Therefore it is best for small configuration spaces.

adapted from examples/autotune/test_program.py

Inter-operability with Triton

- Triton JITFunction kernels can be directly called by PyDSL functions.
- Currently PyDSL handles tiling, triton kernel is executed as a single thread
- Multi-core interop support is planned for NPU target



from examples/triton_interop.py:

```
@triton.jit
def kernel(x ptr, y ptr, output ptr, n elements,
BLOCK SIZE):
    pid = tl.program id(axis=0)
    block start = pid * BLOCK SIZE
    offsets = block_start + tl.arange(0,
                           BLOCK SIZE)
    mask = offsets < n elements</pre>
    x = tl.load(x ptr + offsets,
             mask=mask)
    y = tl.load(y ptr + offsets,
             mask=mask)
    output = x + y
    tl.store(output ptr + offsets, output,
             mask=mask)
@compile()
def func test(x: ArrayType, y: ArrayType, out:
ArrayType):
    size: Index = 98432
    BLOCK SIZE = 64
    index_size = size // BLOCK_SIZE
    for i in arange(0, index size):
        kernel(x, y, out, size,
             BLOCK_SIZE, i)
```



^{*}triton-adapter-opt available in open-source repo https://gitcode.com/Ascend/triton-ascend

Improvements Made during the Past Year

- Memref/Tensor indexing. Uses Python's slicing syntax to implement memref.subview, tensor.extract_slice, tensor.insert_slice
- 2. Support Memref with strided layout (not shown)
- 3. Powerful reduce op
 - 1. Reduce along multiple dimensions
 - 2. Specify custom combiner function using inline functions
- 4. CallMacros that make the language extensible
 - 1. Python functions that evaluate at compile time
 - 2. Python AST -> MLIR
 - 3. Most part of PyDSL is implemented via CallMacros
 - 4. Used to implement Ascend910B target

```
# t1: Tensor[UInt32]
     t1[()] = 456
                     # t2: Tensor[UInt32, 2]
     t2[1] = 5
     t2x2[1, 1] = 5 \# t2x2: Tensor[UInt32, 2, 2]
     t1[2:9:3, 3:6] = t1[4:7, 1:7:2]
     @InlineFunction.generate()
3.
     def sum(a: UInt64, b: UInt32) -> UInt64:
          return a + b
     @compile()
     def f(
          arr: MemRef[UInt32, DYNAMIC, DYNAMIC],
         out: MemRef[UInt64, DYNAMIC],
         linalg.reduce(sum, arr, init=out, dims=[0, 2])
     MemRefF32GM = MemRef.get((16, 8), F32, memory space=NPU AddrSpace.GM)
     @compile(target class=AscendTarget)
     def f(in: MemRefF32GM, out: MemRefF32GM):
       m = alloc((16, 8), F32, memory space=NPU AddrSpace.UB)
       npu.load(in, m)
       npu.vexp(m, out=m)
       npu.store(m, out)
     @CallMacro.generate()
     def store(visitor: ToMLIRBase, src: Compiled, dst: Compiled):
         # ... Type inferencing
         rep = npu.StoreOp(result tensor type, lower single(src), lower single(dst))
```

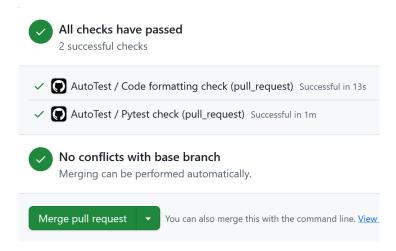


Open source development

- Everything is open-sourced on <u>GitHub</u>
 (https://github.com/Huawei-CPLLab/PyDSL), with integrated CI and active development
- Everyone is free to contribute! Many issues raised to show proposed features/changes
- Language guide: PyDSL/blob/main/docs/usage.md
- Any questions regarding PyDSL can be asked on the discord:
- https://tinyurl.com/PyDSLdiscord

CI





Issues

Compile-time crash with linalg unary ops on integer tensors
 #120 · Ritsuka314 opened 2 weeks ago
 Triton interop improvements feature
 #104 · Balint-R opened on Sep 3
 Implement linalg.generic feature
 #103 · Balint-R opened on Sep 3
 Write language specification documentation large
 #102 · Balint-R opened on Aug 29
 Give linalg elementwise functions a proper definition and signature refactor
 #101 · Balint-R opened on Aug 29

Pull requests

- fix #120: make linalg unary ops reject integer types
 #121 opened 2 weeks ago by Ritsuka314
- \$ fix #43: turn on lint, code cleanup and minor refactoring
 #119 opened 2 weeks ago by Ritsuka314 Draft
- fix #90: add a flag to control linalg elementwise ops cast #118 opened 3 weeks ago by Ritsuka314
- fix #55: support pos only and kw only args
 #117 opened last month by Ritsuka314
- add the polybench testcases to the test folder feature tests
 #64 opened on Aug 11 by jamesthejellyfish

