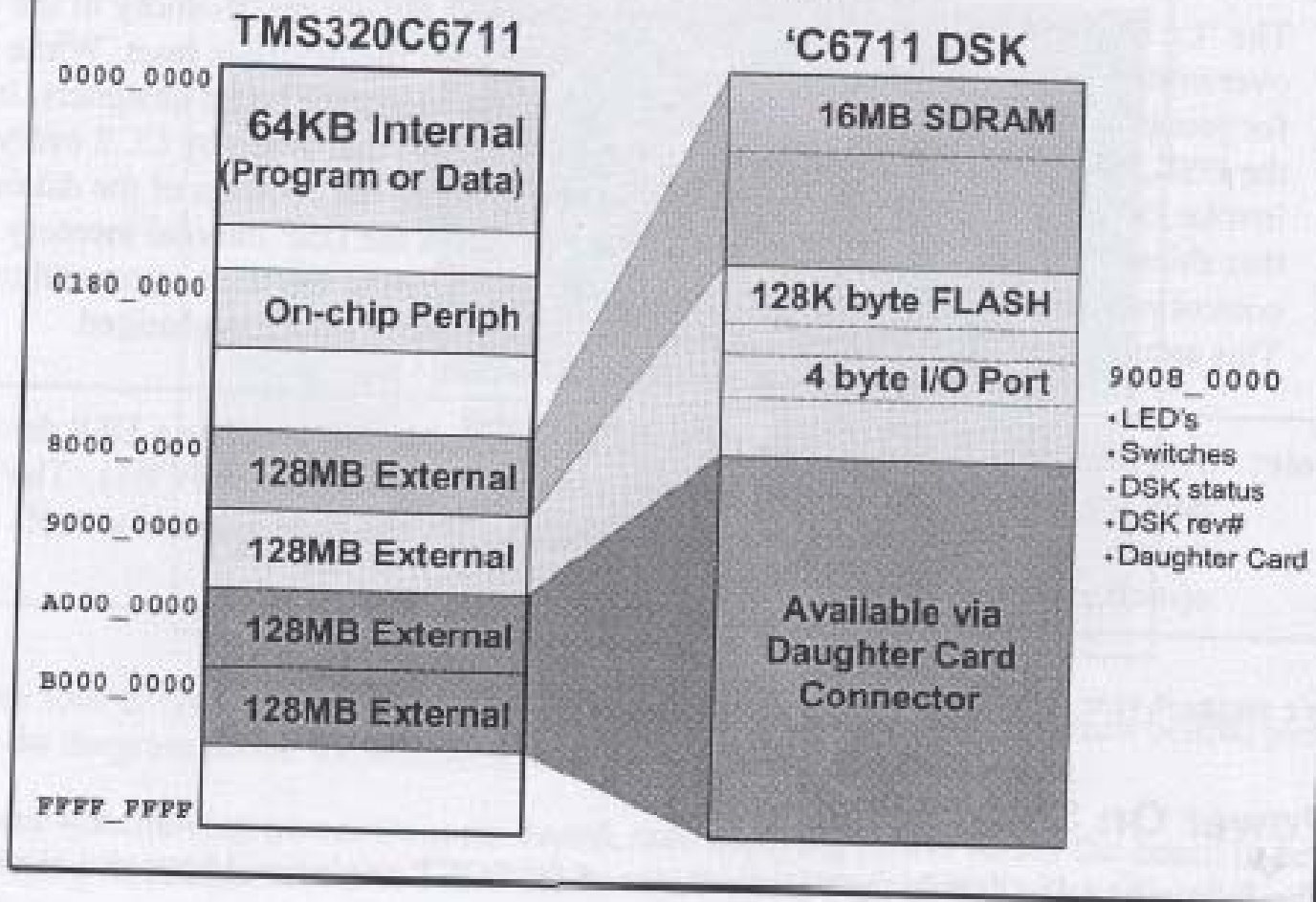


# Processeurs de traitement du signal et de l'image

## Chap 3: Programmation DSP TMSC6711: C et assembleur

# Gestion Mémoire

# Memory Maps



/\* Memory Map 1 , command file .cmd\*/

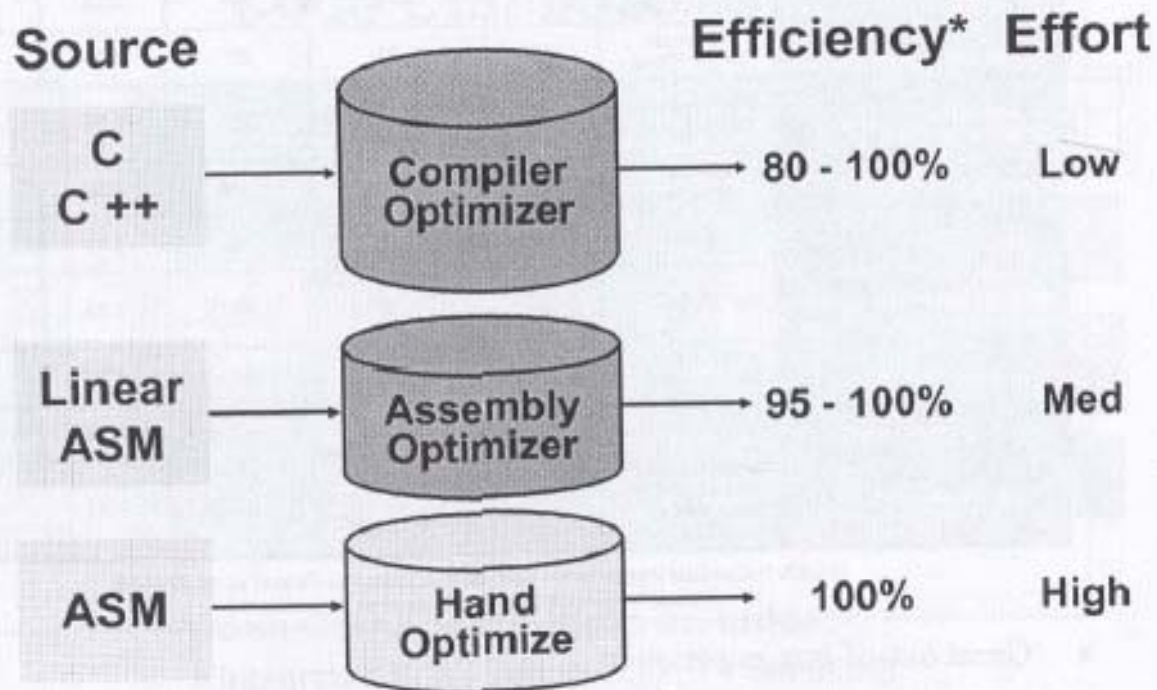
MEMORY

```
{  
    PMEM          : origin = 0x00000000, len = 0x00010000  
    DMEM         : origin = 0x80000000, len = 0x01000000  
}
```

SECTIONS

```
{  
    .text          > PMEM  
    .bss           > PMEM  
    .cinit         > PMEM  
    .const         > PMEM  
    .stack         > PMEM  
    .cio           > PMEM  
    .sysmem        > PMEM  
    .far           > PMEM  
    .mydata       > DMEM  
}
```

## Programming the 'C6000



\* Typical efficiency vs. hand optimized assembly

# Sample Compiler Benchmarks

Algorithm	Used In	Asm Cycles	Assembly Time ( $\mu$ s)	C Cycles (Ref 4.0)	C Time ( $\mu$ s)	% Efficiency vs Hand Coded
Block Mean Square Error MSE of a 20 column image matrix	For motion compensation of image data	348	1.16	402	1.34	87%
Codebook Search	CELP based voice coders	977	3.26	961	3.20	100%
Vector Max 40 element input vector	Search Algorithms	61	0.20	59	0.20	100%
All-zero FIR Filter 40 samples, 10 coefficients	VSELP based voice coders	238	0.79	280	0.93	85%
Minimum Error Search Table Size = 2304	Search Algorithms	1185	3.95	1318	4.39	90%
IIR Filter 16 coefficients	Filter	43	0.14	38	0.13	100%
IIR - cascaded biquads 10 Cascaded biquads (Direct Form II)	Filter	70	0.23	75	0.25	93%
MAC Two 40 sample vectors	VSELP based voice coders	61	0.20	58	0.19	100%
Vector Sum Two 44 sample vectors		51	0.17	47	0.16	100%
MSE MSE between two 256 element vectors	Mean Sq. Error Computation in Vector Quantizer	279	0.93	274	0.91	100%

TI C62x™ Compiler Performance Release 4.0: Execution Time in  $\mu$ s @ 300 MHz  
Versus hand-coded assembly based on cycle count

## 'C6000 C Data Types

Type	Size	Representation
char, signed char	8 bits	ASCII
unsigned char	8 bits	ASCII
<b>short</b>	<b>16 bits</b>	<b>2's complement</b>
unsigned short	16 bits	binary
<b>int, signed int</b>	<b>32 bits</b>	<b>2s complement</b>
unsigned int	32 bits	binary
<b>long, signed long</b>	<b>40 bits</b>	<b>2's complement</b>
unsigned long	40 bits	binary
enum	32 bits	2's complement
<b>float</b>	<b>32 bits</b>	<b>IEEE 32-bit</b>
double	64 bits	IEEE 64-bit
long double	64 bits	IEEE 64-bit
pointers	32 bits	binary

;Initialisation de la mémoire,file .asm

```
.sect ".mydata"  
    .short 0  
    .short 7  
    .short 10  
    .short 7  
    .short 0  
    .short -7  
    .short -10  
    .short -7  
    .short 0  
    .short 7
```



```
//ACCES LECTURE et affichage mémoire
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int i;
```

```
        short *point;
```

```
        point= (short *) 0x80000000;
```

```
        printf("BEGIN\n");
```

```
        for(i=0;i<10;i++)
```

```
        {
```

```
            printf("point[%d]=%d\n",i, point[i]);
```

```
        }
```

```
        printf("END\n");
```

```
}
```

# **Interfacing C and Assembly Code**

# Introduction

- ◆ This chapter shows how to interface C and assembly
- ◆ As a general rule the code written in C is used for initialisation and for non-critical (in terms of speed or size) code.
- ◆ Critical code (in terms of speed/size) can be written in assembly or linear assembly.
- ◆ There are three different ways to interface C and assembly code:
  - (1) C code call to the assembly function.
  - (2) An interrupt can call an assembly function.
  - (3) Call an assembly instruction using intrinsics.

# Calling Assembly from C

## main.c.c

```
int c_Function (short a, short b);
Extern asm_Function ();

short x = 0x4000, y = 0x2000;
int z,v;

void main (void)
{
    z = c_Function (x, y);
    v = asm_Function (x,y);
}
```

- ◆ Use “\_” underscore in assembly for all variables or functions declared in C.
- ◆ Labels also need to be global.

## c\_Function.c

```
int c_Function (short a, short b)
{
    int y;
    y = (a * b) << 1;
    return y;
}
```

## asm\_Function.asm

```
.global _asm_Function

_asm_Function:

    MVK ....
```

# Passing Arguments between C and Assembly

- ◆ The following registers are used to pass and return variables when calling an assembly routine from C.

A		B
	0	
	1	
	2	
	3	ret addr
arg1/r_val	4	arg2
	5	
arg3	6	arg4
	7	
arg5	8	arg6
	9	
arg7	10	arg8
	11	
arg9	12	arg10
	13	
	14	
	15	

# Passing Arguments between C and Assembly

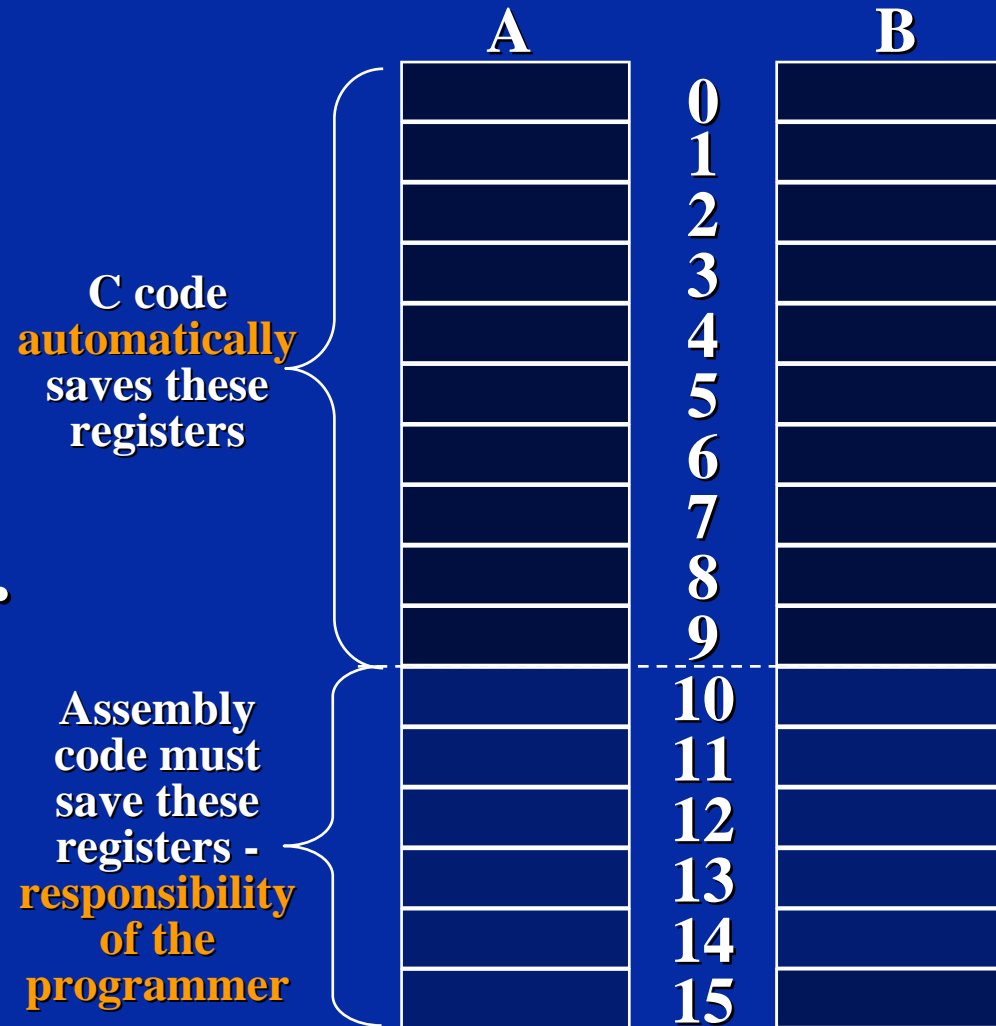
## Problem:

- ◆ The C code will use some or all of the registers.
- ◆ The assembly code may also require the use of some or all registers.
- ◆ If nothing is done then on return to the C code some of the values may have been destroyed by the assembly code.

# Passing Arguments between C and Assembly

## Solution:

- ◆ Both the C code and assembly code are responsible for saving some registers if they need to use them.



// Exemple Calcul somme par fonction C ret\_sum

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int i,ret;
```

```
    short *point;
```

```
    point = (short *) 0x80000000;
```

```
    printf("BEGIN\n");
```

```
    for(i=0;i<10;i++)
```

```
    {
```

```
        printf("point[%d]= %d\n",i, point[i]);
```

```
    }
```

```
    ret = ret_sum(point,10);
```

```
    printf("Sum = %d\n",ret);
```

```
    printf("END\n");
```

```
}
```

```
int ret_sum(const short* array, int N)
```

```
{
```

```
    int count,sum;
```

```
    sum=0;
```

```
    for(count=0 ; count < N ; count++)
```

```
        sum += array[count];
```

```
    return(sum);
```

```
}
```

**A FAIRE EN TP**



// Exemple d'appel de fonction assembleur

#include <stdio.h>

extern sum();

void main()

{

int i,ret;

short \*point;

point = (short \*) 0x80000000;

printf("BEGIN: Call assembly sum function\n");

for(i=0;i<10;i++)

{

printf("point[%d]= %d\n",i, point[i]);

}

ret = sum(point,10);

// arg1=point dans A4 et arg2=10 dans B4

printf("Sum = %d\n",ret);

printf("END\n");

}

**A FAIRE EN TP**

;fonction sum dans file **sum.asm**

**A FAIRE EN TP**

.global \_sum

\_sum:

ZERO .L1 A9 ;Sum register

**MV .L1 B4,A2** ;initialize counter A2 with passed argument  
; arg2=10 dans B4

loop: **LDH .D1 \*A4++, A7** ;load value pointed by A4=arg1=address  
; into register A7

NOP 4

ADD .L1 A7,A9,A9 ;A9 += A7

[A2] SUB .L1 A2,1,A2 ;decrement counter

[A2] B .S1 loop ;branch back to loop

NOP 5

**MV .L1 A9,A4** ;move result into return register A4

**B .S2 B3** ;branch back to address stored in B3

NOP 5

# Passing Arguments between C and Assembly

◆ Before assembly call.

A		B	
0x4000	4	0x2000	
	5		
	6		
	7		
	8		

◆ After return from assembly call.

	3	Ret_Address	
0x8000	4	0xA	
	5		
	6		
	7		
	8		

## Benchmark / Profile Code

“Analyzing how long it takes code to execute” is defined as *profiling*. It is also called *benchmarking*. In our example, we are interested in benchmarking the dot-product function.

34. Before we begin, let's restart our program. Make sure the processor is halted, then:

**Debug:Restart**

**Debug: Go Main**

---

**Note:** If you choose *CPU Reset* rather than *Restart*, the DSP will be reset and your program will be erased. If this occurs, just reload the program again with **File:Reload Program**.

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35. Also, let's close some windows to free up some extra room. Close the *Watch* and *Command* windows (**right-click** on each of them and select **close**.)

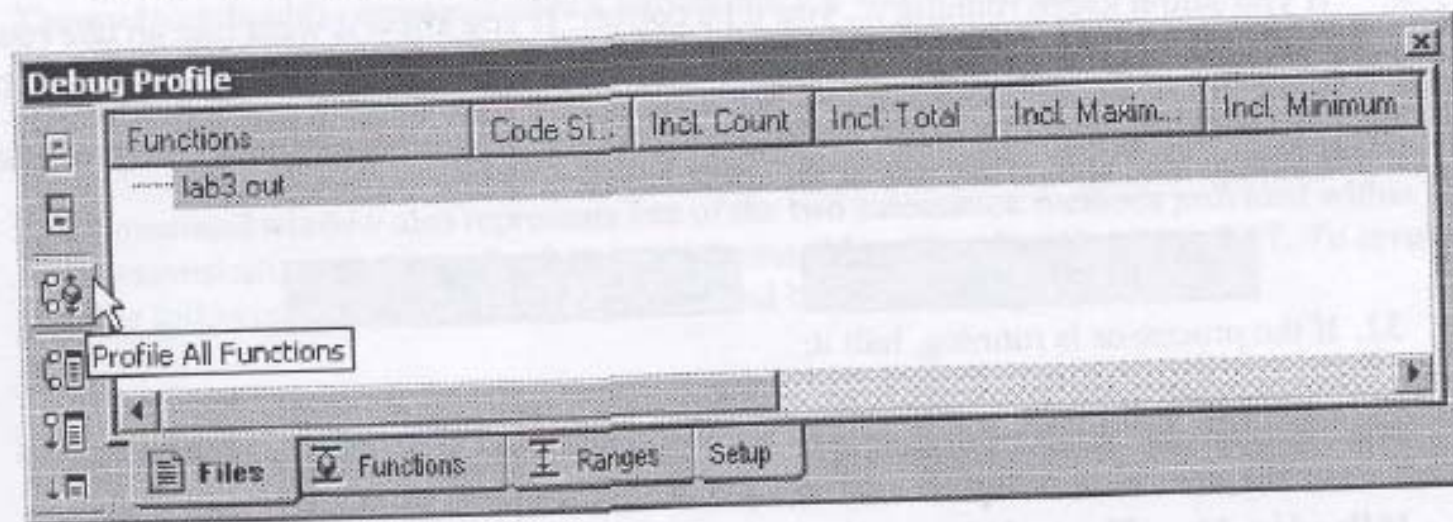
36. Open a new profiling session.

**Profiler:Start New Session...**

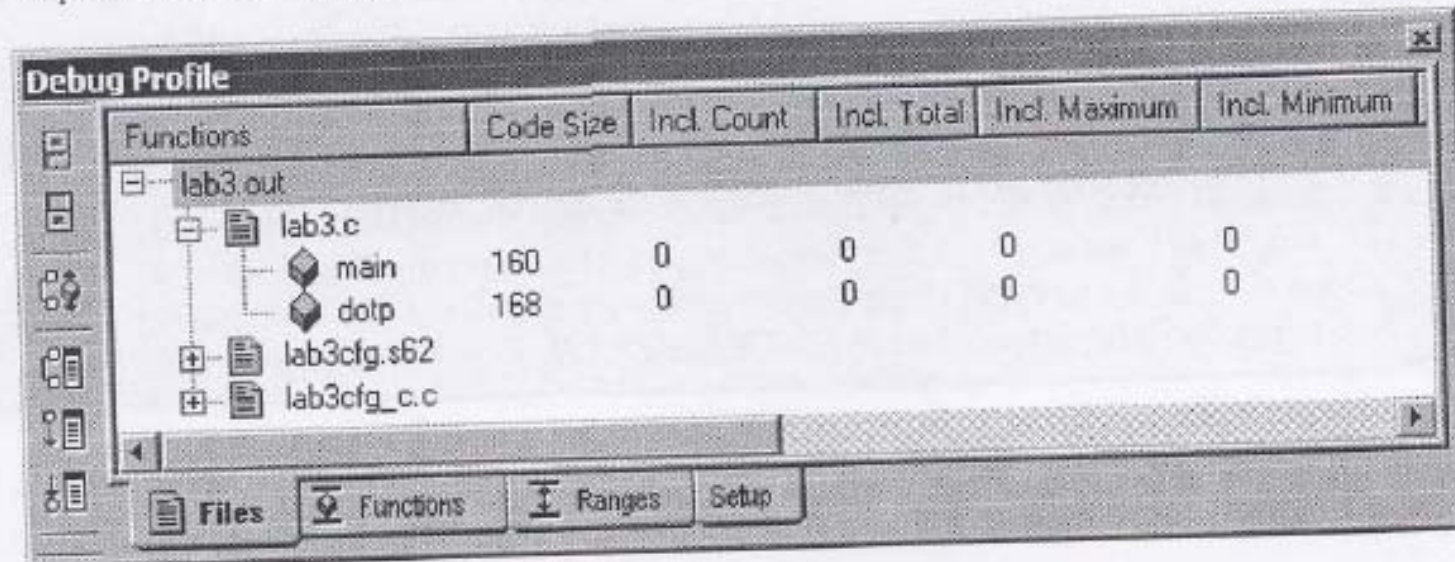
Go ahead and name the session anything you want. We called ours **Debug** profile.

37. Choose **Profile All Functions**.

Click the **Profile All Functions** toolbar button



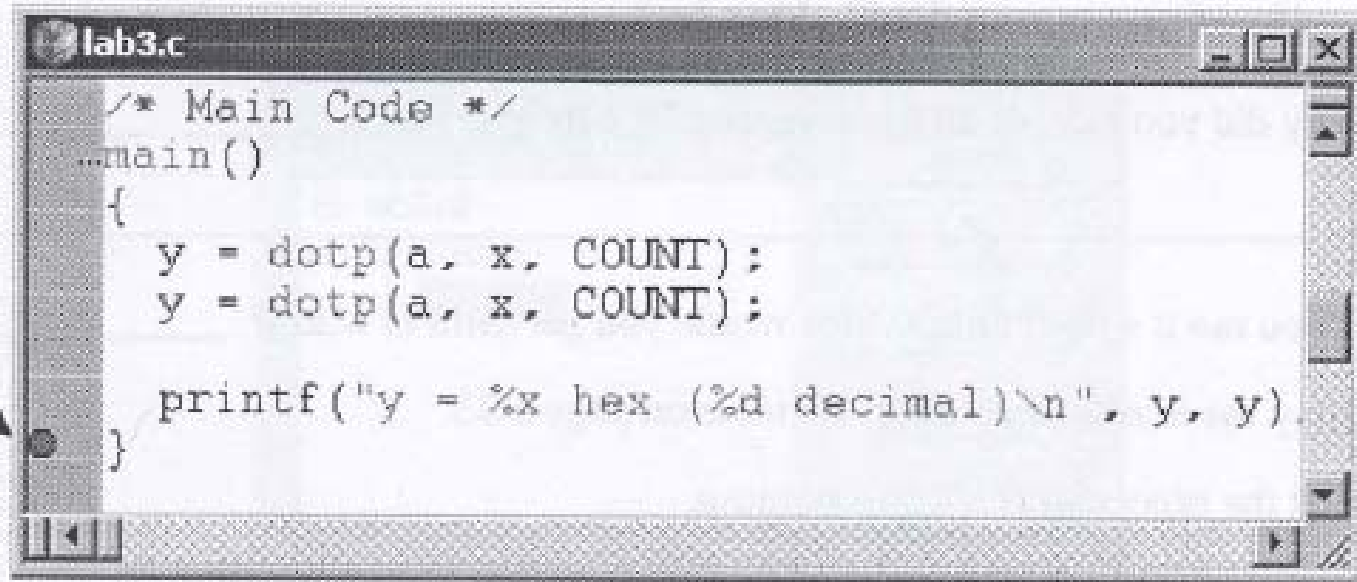
38. Expand the *lab3.c* entry.



39. Before running the code, set a breakpoint at the end of **main()** to stop the processor automatically.

Double-clicking in the left most column sets a breakpoint

You should see a red dot appear, indicating a breakpoint.

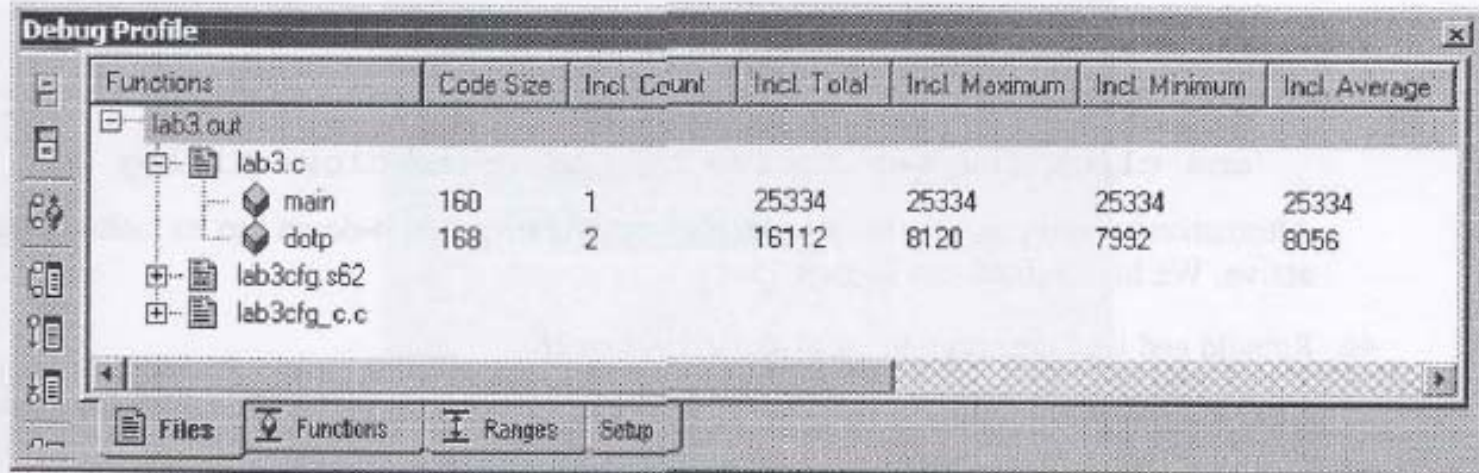


40. Run the program and single-step once.

**F5** then **F8**



41. Examine the *Debug Profile* window.



The screenshot shows the 'Debug Profile' window with a tree view on the left and a table of statistics on the right. The tree view shows a hierarchy: 'lab3.out' (expanded) contains 'lab3.c' (expanded) which contains 'main' and 'dotp'. Below 'lab3.c' are 'lab3cfg.s62' and 'lab3cfg.c.c'. The table has columns: Functions, Code Size, Incl. Count, Incl. Total, Incl. Maximum, Incl. Minimum, and Incl. Average.

Functions	Code Size	Incl. Count	Incl. Total	Incl. Maximum	Incl. Minimum	Incl. Average
lab3.out						
lab3.c						
main	160	1	25334	25334	25334	25334
dotp	168	2	16112	8120	7992	8056
lab3cfg.s62						
lab3cfg.c.c						

**So, what statistics do we care about?**

We are interested in the minimum number of cycles for the dotp function: 7992

**What are all the columns for?**

There are so many statistics shown that we can't fit the screen capture on our printed page. Here are some points about the other columns:

- *Code Size* and *Count* should be self explanatory.
- *Exclusive* (Excl.) shows the cycles for the specified function only.  
(You may have to scroll right to see this in your profile window.)
- *Inclusive* (Incl.) is the cycles required for the specified function plus all sub-functions.  
For example:

$$\begin{array}{rcll} \text{main Incl Total} & = & \text{main Excl Total} & + \text{dotp Excl Total} & + \text{printf (not shown)} \\ 25334 & & 112 & 16112 & 9110 \end{array}$$

# Chapter 9

## Software Optimisation

*Part 1: Optimisation Methods.*

**Part 2: Software Pipelining.**  
**(Later)**



# Objectives

- ◆ **Introduction to optimisation and optimisation procedure.**
- ◆ **Optimisation of C code using the code generation tools.**
- ◆ **Optimisation of assembly code.**

# Introduction

- ◆ **Software optimisation is the process of manipulating software code to achieve two main goals:**
  - ◆ **Faster execution time.**
  - ◆ **Small code size.**

**Note: It will be shown that in general there is a trade off between faster execution type and smaller code size.**

# Introduction

- ◆ **To implement efficient software, the programmer must be familiar with:**
  - ◆ **Processor architecture.**
  - ◆ **Programming language (C, assembly or linear assembly).**
  - ◆ **The code generation tools (compiler, assembler and linker).**

# Optimising C Compiler Options

- ◆ The 'C6x optimising C compiler uses the ANSI C source code and can perform optimisation currently up-to about 80% compared with a hand-scheduled assembly.
- ◆ However, to achieve this level of optimisation, knowledge of different levels of optimisation is essential. Optimisation is performed at different stages and levels.

# Assembly Optimisation

- ◆ To develop an appreciation of how to optimise code, let us optimise an FIR filter:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} h[k] \cdot x[n-k]$$

- ◆ For simplicity we write:

$$y[n] = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} h[i] \cdot x[i]$$

[1]

# Assembly Optimisation

- ◆ To implement Equation 1, we need to perform the following steps:
  - (1) Load the sample  $x[i]$ .
  - (2) Load the coefficients  $h[i]$ .
  - (3) Multiply  $x[i]$  and  $h[i]$ .
  - (4) Add  $(x[i] * h[i])$  to the content of an accumulator.
  - (5) Repeat steps 1 to 4  $N-1$  times.
  - (6) Store the value in the accumulator to  $y$ .

# Assembly Optimisation

- ◆ Steps 1 to 6 can be translated into the following 'C6x assembly code:

```

        MVK    .S2    0,B0        ; Initialise the loop counter
        MVK    .S1    0,A5        ; Initialise the accumulator
loop     LDH    .D1    *A8++,A2    ; Load the samples x[i]
        LDH    .D1    *A9++,A3    ; Load the coefficients h[i]
        NOP    4                ; Add "nop 4" because the LDH has a latency of 5.
        MPY    .M1    A2,A3,A4    ; Multiply x[i] and h[i]
        NOP    2                ; Multiply has a latency of 2 cycles
        ADD    .L1    A4,A5,A5    ; Add "x[i]. h[i]" to the accumulator
[B0]     SUB    .L2    B0,1,B0    ; }
[B0]     B      .S1    loop        ; } loop overhead
        NOP    5                ; } The branch has a latency of 6 cycles
```

# Assembly Optimisation

- ◆ **In order to optimise the code, we need to:**
  - (1) Use instructions in parallel.**
  - (2) Remove the NOPs.**
  - (3) Remove the loop overhead (remove SUB and B: loop unrolling).**
  - (4) Use word access or double-word access instead of byte or half-word access.**



# Step 1 - Using Parallel Instructions

<u>Cycle</u>	.D1	.D2	.M1	.M2	.L1	.L2	.S1	.S2	NOP
1	ldh								
2		ldh							
3									nop
4									nop
5									nop
6									nop
7			mpy						
8									nop
9					add				
10						sub			
11							b		
12									nop
13									nop
14									nop
15									nop
16									nop

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3									nop
4									nop
5									nop
6			mpy						
7									nop
8					add				
9						sub			
10							b		
11									nop
12									nop
13									nop
14									nop
15									nop
16									

**Note: Not all instructions can be put in parallel since the result of one unit is used as an input to the following unit.**

# Step 2 - Removing the NOPs

<u>Cycle</u>	.D1	.D2	.M1	.M2	.L1	.L2	.S1	.S2	NOP
1	ldh	ldh							
2						sub			
3							b		
4									nop
5									nop
6			mpy						
7									nop
8					add				
9									
10									
11									
12									
13									
14									
15									
16									

```

loop LDH    .D1    *A8++,A2
      LDH    .D1    *A9++,A3
[B0]  SUB    .L2    B0,1,B0
[B0]  B      .S1    loop
      NOP
      2
      MPY    .M1    A2,B3,A4
      NOP
      ADD    .L1    A4,A5,A5
    
```

# Step 3 - Loop Unrolling

- ◆ The SUB and B instructions consume at least two extra cycles per iteration (this is known as branch overhead).

```
loop    LDH    .D1    *A8++,A2
        LDH    .D1    *A9++,A3
[B0]    SUB    .L2    B0,1,B0
[B0]    B      .S1    loop
        NOP
        MPY    .M1    A2,B3,A4
        NOP
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```



```
LDH    .D1    *A8++,A2    ;Start of iteration 1
|| LDH    .D1    *B9++,B3
NOP
MPY    .M1X   A2,B3,A4    ;Use of cross path

NOP
ADD    .L1    A4,A5,A5
LDH    .D1    *A8++,A2    ;Start of iteration 2
|| LDH    .D1    *A9++,A3
NOP
MPY    .M1    A2,B3,A4
NOP
ADD    .L1    A4,A5,A5
;      :
;      :
;      :
LDH    .D1    *A8++,A2    ; Start of iteration n
|| LDH    .D1    *A9++,A3
NOP
MPY    .M1    A2,B3,A4
NOP
ADD    .L1    A4,A5,A5
```

## Step 4 - Word or Double Word Access

- ◆ The 'C6711 has two 64-bit data buses for data memory access and therefore up to two 64-bit can be loaded into the registers at any time.
- ◆ In addition the 'C6711 devices have variants of the multiplication instruction to support different operation.

**Note: Store can only be up to 32-bit.**

# Step 4 - Word or Double Word Access

- ◆ Using word access, MPYL and MPYH the previous code can be written as:

```
loop
    LDW      .D1      *A9++,A3 ; 32-bit word is loaded in a single cycle
    ||      LDW      .D2      *B6++,B1
    NOP      4
[B0]      SUB      .L2
[B0]      B        .S1      loop
    NOP      2
    MPYL     .M1      A3,B1,A4 ;;;to be verified
    ||      MPYH     .M2      A3,B1,B3 ;;;to be verified
    NOP
    ADD      .L1      A4,B3,A5
```

- ◆ **Note:** By loading words and using MPY and MPYH instructions the execution time has been halved since in each iteration two 16x16-bit multiplications are performed.

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