

Advanced Programming

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C/C++ with ARM



Intel vs ARM

- With the help of C/C++ compilers, C and C++ are platform independent.
- But we need to know some background information on different CPUs.
- Intel achieved a dominant position the personal computer market. But recently ...













ARM

• **ARM** (previously an acronym for Advanced RISC Machine and originally Acorn RISC Machine) is a family of reduced instruction set computing (RISC) architectures for computer processors¹.

• ARM is the most widely used instruction set architecture (ISA) and the

ISA produced in the largest quantity.









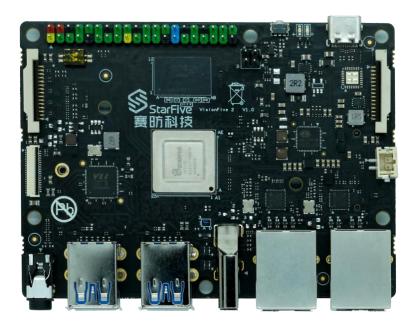


RISC-V



- An open standard instruction set architecture (ISA) based on established reduced instruction set computer (RISC) principles.
- RISC-V is provided under royalty-free open-source licenses.







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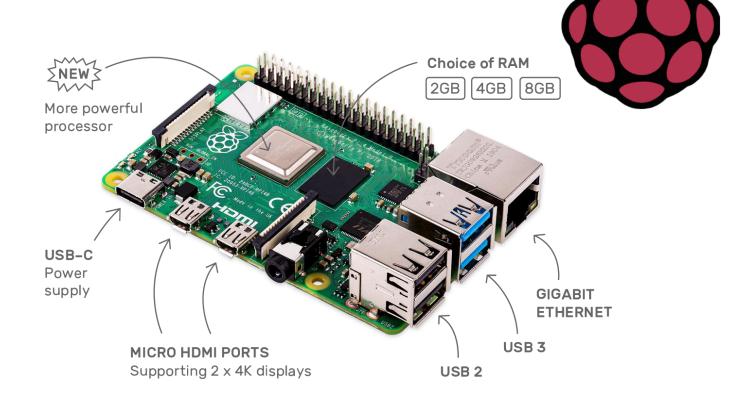
StarFive JH7110



Raspberry Pi 4

- Broadcom BCM2711, Quad core Cortex-A72 (ARM v8) 64-bit SoC @ 1.5GHz
- 2GB, 4GB or 8GB LPDDR4-3200 SDRAM (depending on model)
- 2.4 GHz and 5.0 GHz IEEE 802.11ac wireless, Bluetooth 5.0, BLE
- Gigabit Ethernet
- 2 USB 3.0 ports; 2 USB 2.0 ports.
- Raspberry Pi standard 40 pin GPIO header (fully backwards compatible with previous boards)
- 2 × micro-HDMI ports (up to 4kp60 supported)









How to develop programs with ARM Development boards

Almost the same with an X86 PC with Linux OS.

- gcc/g++
- Makefile
- cmake





Speedup Your Program





Principle for Programming

Simple is Beautiful!

Short

Simple

Efficient





Some Tips on Optimization

- Choose an appropriate algorithm
- Clear and simple code for the compiler to optimize
- Optimize code for memory
- Do not copy large memory
- No printf()/cout in loops
- Table lookup (sin(), cos() ...)
- SIMD, OpenMP





An example: libfacedetection

Face detection and facial landmark detection in 1600 lines of source

code

facedetectcnn.h:

√ 400 lines

✓ CNN APIs

facedetectcnn.cpp:

√ 900 lines

✓ CNN function definitions

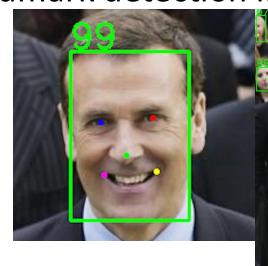
facedetectcnn-model.cpp:

√ 300 lines

✓ Face detection model

facedetectcnn-int8data.cpp

✓ CNN model parameters in static variables

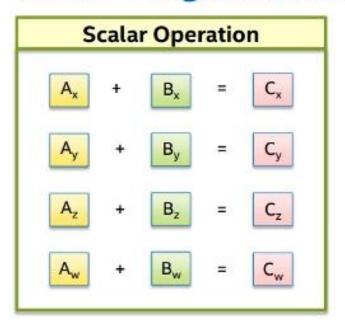


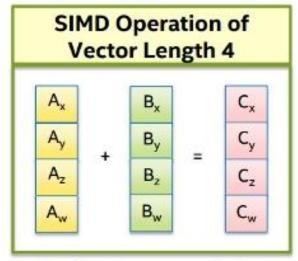




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Intel* Architecture currently has SIMD operations of vector length 4, 8, 16

- Intel: MMX, SSE, SSE2, AVX, AVX2, AVX512
- ARM: NEON
- RISC-V: RVV(RISC-V Vector Extension)



SIMD in OpenCV

"Universal intrinsics" is a types and functions set intended to simplify vectorization of code on different platforms.

- https://docs.opencv.org/master/df/d91/group core hal intrin.html
- 使用OpenCV中的universal intrinsics为算法提速(1)(2)(3)
 - https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/_dFQ9IDu-qjd8AaiCxYjcQ
 - https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/3UmDImwlQwGX50b1hvz Zw
 - https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/XtV2ZUwDq8sZ8HlzGDRaWA







Thread 0 i=0-199	Thread 1 i=200-399	Thread 2 i=400-599	Thread 3 i=600-799	Thread 4 i=800-999
a[i]	a[i]	a[i]	a[i]	a[i]
+	+	+	+	+
b[i]	b[i]	b[i]	b[i]	b[i]
=	=	=	=	=
c[i]	c[i]	c[i]	c[i]	c[i]

#include <omp.h>

```
#pragma omp parallel for
for (size_t i = 0; i < n; i++)
{
   c[i] = a[i] + b[i];
}</pre>
```





Where should #pragma be? The 1st loop or the 2nd?

```
#include <omp.h>
#pragma omp parallel for
for (size_t i = 0; i < n; i++)
  //#pragma omp parallel for
  for (size_t j = 0; j < n; j++)
```



An Example with SIMD and OpenMP





ARM Cloud Server

- Huawei ARM Cloud Server
- Kunpeng 920 (2 cores of many)
- RAM: 3GB
- openEuler Linux



```
BY NC SA
```

```
(base) yushiqi: ~ $ ssh yushiqi@121.______128
Authorized users only. All activities may be monitored and reported.
yushiqi@121. _____.128's password:
       Welcome to Huawei Cloud Service
Last login: Mon Nov 1 14:06:13 2021 from 116.7.234.238
Welcome to 4.19.90-2003.4.0.0036.oel.aarch64
System information as of time: 2021年 11月 01日 星期一 14:07:44 CST
System load:
               0.00
               115
Processes:
Memory used:
               12.3%
Swap used:
               0.0%
               11%
Usage On:
IP address:
               192.168.0.58
Users online:
[yushiqi@ecs-01-0002 ~]$ uname -a
Linux ecs-01-0002 4.19.90-2003.4.0.0036.oe1.aarch64 #1 SMP Mon Mar 23 19:06:43 UTC
2020 aarch64 aarch64 aarch64 GNU/Linux
[yushiqi@ecs-01-0002 ~]$ cat /proc/cpuinfo
processor
BogoMIPS
               : 200.00
               : fp asimd evtstrm aes pmull sha1 sha2 crc32 atomics fphp asimdhp
Features
puid asimdrdm jscvt fcma dcpop asimddp asimdfhm
CPU implementer : 0x48
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Functions for dot product

```
float dotproduct(const float *p1, const float * p2, size_t n);
float dotproduct_unloop(const float *p1, const float * p2, size_t n);
float dotproduct_avx2(const float *p1, const float * p2, size_t n);
float dotproduct_avx2_omp(const float *p1, const float * p2, size_t n);
float dotproduct_neon(const float *p1, const float * p2, size_t n);
float dotproduct_neon_omp(const float *p1, const float * p2, size_t n);
```





Avoid Memory Copy

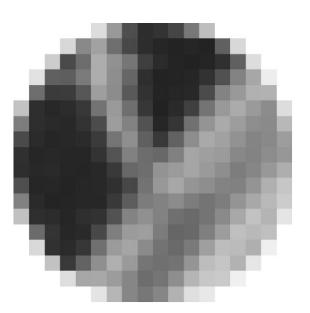
A trick in OpenCV





What's an image?





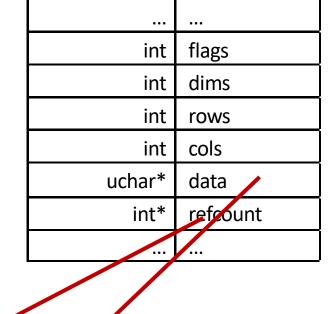
I _{0 0}	I _{0 1}	•••	I _{0 N-1}
I ₁₀	I ₁₁	•••	I _{1 N-1}
I _{M-10}	I _{M-1 1}	•••	I _{M-1 N-1}



CvMat struct

modules/core/include/opencv2/core/types_c.h

468	typedef struct CvMat
469	{
470	<pre>int type;</pre>
471	<pre>int step;</pre>
472	
473	<pre>/* for internal use only */</pre>
474	<pre>int* refcount;</pre>
475	<pre>int hdr_refcount;</pre>
476	
477	union
478	{
479	uchar* ptr;
480	<pre>short* s;</pre>
481	<pre>int* i;</pre>
482	<pre>float* fl;</pre>
483	<pre>double* db;</pre>
484	} data;



Ref count

Matrix data





step in CvMat struct

- How many bytes for a row of Matrix 4(row)x3(col)?
 - \triangleright Can be 3, 4, 8, and any other values >=3.
 - Memory alignment for SIMD





ROI: Region of interest

CvMat A

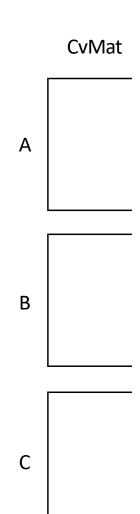
- > rows=100
- > cols=100
- > step=100
- data=0xABCDEF00

CvMat B

- \rightarrow rows=100
- > cols=100
- > step=100
- data=0xABCDEF00

CvMat C

- rows=30
- > cols=28
- > step=100
- data=0xABCE0698



Matrix Data