

factorial MIPS code, with registers

factorial:

sw	\$fp, -4(\$sp)	sw	\$t0, 0(\$sp)
addiu	\$fp, \$sp, -4	addiu	\$sp, \$sp, -4
sw	\$ra, -4(\$fp)	sw	\$t1, 0(\$sp)
addiu	\$sp, \$fp, -8	jal	factorial
ori	\$t0, \$0, 1	or	\$t1, \$0, \$v0
sw	\$t0, -8(\$fp)	lw	\$t0, 0(\$sp)
lw	\$t0, 4(\$fp)	addiu	\$sp, \$sp, 4
ori	\$t1, \$0, 0	mult	\$t0, \$t1
slt	\$t0, \$t1, \$t0	mflo	\$t0
beq	\$t0, \$0, 11	sw	\$t0, -8(\$fp)
j	10	11: lw	\$t0, -8(\$fp)
10: lw	\$t0, 4(\$fp)	or	\$v0, \$0, \$t0
lw	\$t1, 4(\$fp)	lw	\$ra, -4(\$fp)
ori	\$t2, \$0, 1	addiu	\$sp, \$fp, 8
subu	\$t1, \$t1, \$t2	lw	\$fp, 0(\$fp)
addiu	\$sp, \$sp, -4	jr	\$ra

Optimised factorial MIPS code

factorial:

sw	\$fp, -4(\$sp)	sw	\$t1, 0(\$sp)	
addiu	\$fp, \$sp, -4	jal	factorial	
sw	\$ra, -4(\$fp)	lw	\$t0, 0(\$sp)	
addiu	\$sp, \$fp, -8	addiu	\$sp, \$sp, 4	
ori	\$t0, \$0, 1	mult	\$t0, \$v0	
sw	\$t0, -8(\$fp)	mflo	\$t0	
lw	\$t0, 4(\$fp)	sw	\$t0, -8(\$fp)	
blez	\$t0, l1	l1:	lw	\$v0, -8(\$fp)
10:	lw	\$t0, 4(\$fp)	lw	\$ra, -4(\$fp)
	addiu	\$t1, \$t0, -1	addiu	\$sp, \$fp, 8
	sw	\$t0, -4(\$sp)	lw	\$fp, 0(\$fp)
	addiu	\$sp, \$sp, -8	jr	\$ra

Optimised factorial MIPS code (2)

factorial:

sw	\$fp, -4(\$sp)		jal	factorial
addiu	\$fp, \$sp, -4		lw	\$t0, 4(\$fp)
sw	\$ra, -4(\$fp)		mult	\$t0, \$v0
addiu	\$sp, \$fp, -8		mflo	\$t0
ori	\$t0, \$0, 1		sw	\$t0, -8(\$fp)
sw	\$t0, -8(\$fp)	l1:	lw	\$v0, -8(\$fp)
lw	\$t0, 4(\$fp)		lw	\$ra, -4(\$fp)
blez	\$t0, l1		addiu	\$sp, \$fp, 8
addiu	\$t0, \$t0, -1		lw	\$fp, 0(\$fp)
addiu	\$sp, \$sp, -4		jr	\$ra
sw	\$t0, 0(\$sp)			

Optimised factorial MIPS code (3)

factorial:

sw	\$fp, -4(\$sp)	jal	factorial	
addiu	\$fp, \$sp, -4	lw	\$t0, 4(\$fp)	
sw	\$ra, -4(\$fp)	mult	\$t0, \$v0	
addiu	\$sp, \$fp, -12	mflo	\$s0	
sw	\$s0, -12(\$fp)	l1:	or	\$v0, \$0, \$s0
ori	\$s0, \$0, 1	lw	\$s0, -12(\$fp)	
lw	\$t0, 4(\$fp)	lw	\$ra, -4(\$fp)	
blez	\$t0, l1	addiu	\$sp, \$fp, 12	
addiu	\$t0, \$t0, -1	lw	\$fp, 0(\$fp)	
addiu	\$sp, \$sp, -4	jr	\$ra	
sw	\$t0, 0(\$sp)			

Optimisations (1)

Constant propagation

Try to replace uses of a register/variable known to contain a constant value by the constant

Copy propagation

Try to replace uses of a register/variable known to be a copy of another register/variable by the latter

Peephole optimisation

Using a sliding window, identify code patterns and replace them by better alternatives

Dead-code elimination

Remove code never executed or that produces a value which is never used and that has no side effects

Optimisations (2)

Constant folding

Replace expressions involving constants by their value

Strength reduction

Replace an operation by a less costly semantically equivalent operation

Loop unrolling

Try to optimise code resulting from unrolling a loop

Lazy code motion

Move code so that it is no longer redundantly executed

Used to remove loop-invariant code from within a loop

Code hoisting

Reduce code size by folding code common to several execution paths

Inline substitution

Replace a function call by the code of the function called

Use-def and def-use chains

Reaching definitions

Definition d of x **reaches** operation i if there is a path from d to i , in the CFG, that does not define x

d is a **reaching definition** of x at i

use-def chain

For a use of x , the list of **reaching definitions** of x

def-use chain

For a definition of x , the list of all its possible **uses**

Use-def chains and **def-use chains** support many of the preceding optimisations