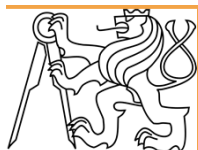

$$E = \frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}}$$

# GENEROVÁNÍ KÓDU

## 8. ÚVOD DO PROBLÉMU OPTIMALIZACÍ, KONVERZE 3AC <-> AST (DAG), LOKÁLNÍ OPTIMALIZACE (V RÁMCI ZÁKLADNÍHO BLOKU)



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# OPTIMIZATIONS - INTRODUCTION

# Introduction

- Optimization is a transformation of a code - the resulting code is to work correctly and to work better from a specific point of view (speed, memory and register usage,...).
- Optimization are mostly performed over various levels of IR code – from high-levels IRs to low-level IRs. However, even optimizations over a code in the target language are possible.
- Optimization is a huge problem – many types of optimizations have been introduced.

# Introduction, contd.

- A most important optimization is the register allocation, presented in the previous lecture.
- The code selection algorithm is also very important when we consider optimizations:
  - naïve (direct) code generation from an IR often produces a poor code.
  - a sophisticated code selection (e.g. by an intelligent tiling of the tree) produces a good code (here, the resulting code can be seen as code produced by a naïve code selection + various optimizations).

# Clasification - Levels of Optimizations

- **Local**

- inside a basic block, based on analysis of basic blocks

- **Global**

- across basic blocks, based on analysis of whole procedures

- **Interprocedural**

- Across procedures, based on analysis of whole program

# Clasification – another point of view

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- **Machine-dependent optimization**
- **Machine-independent optimizations**

**Various types of optimizations which can be joined into particular groups exist...**

## The Golden Rules of Optimization:

# Premature Optimization is Evil

- Donald Knuth: “... *premature optimization is the root of all evil...*”
  - Optimization can introduce new, subtle bugs
  - Optimization usually makes code harder to understand and maintain
- Get your code right first, then optimize it

# The Golden Rules of Optimization: the 80/20 Rule

- In general, **80% percent of a program's execution time is spent executing 20% of the code** (mainly in loops)
- 90%-10% for performance-hungry programs
- Optimize the common case even at the cost of making the uncommon case slower



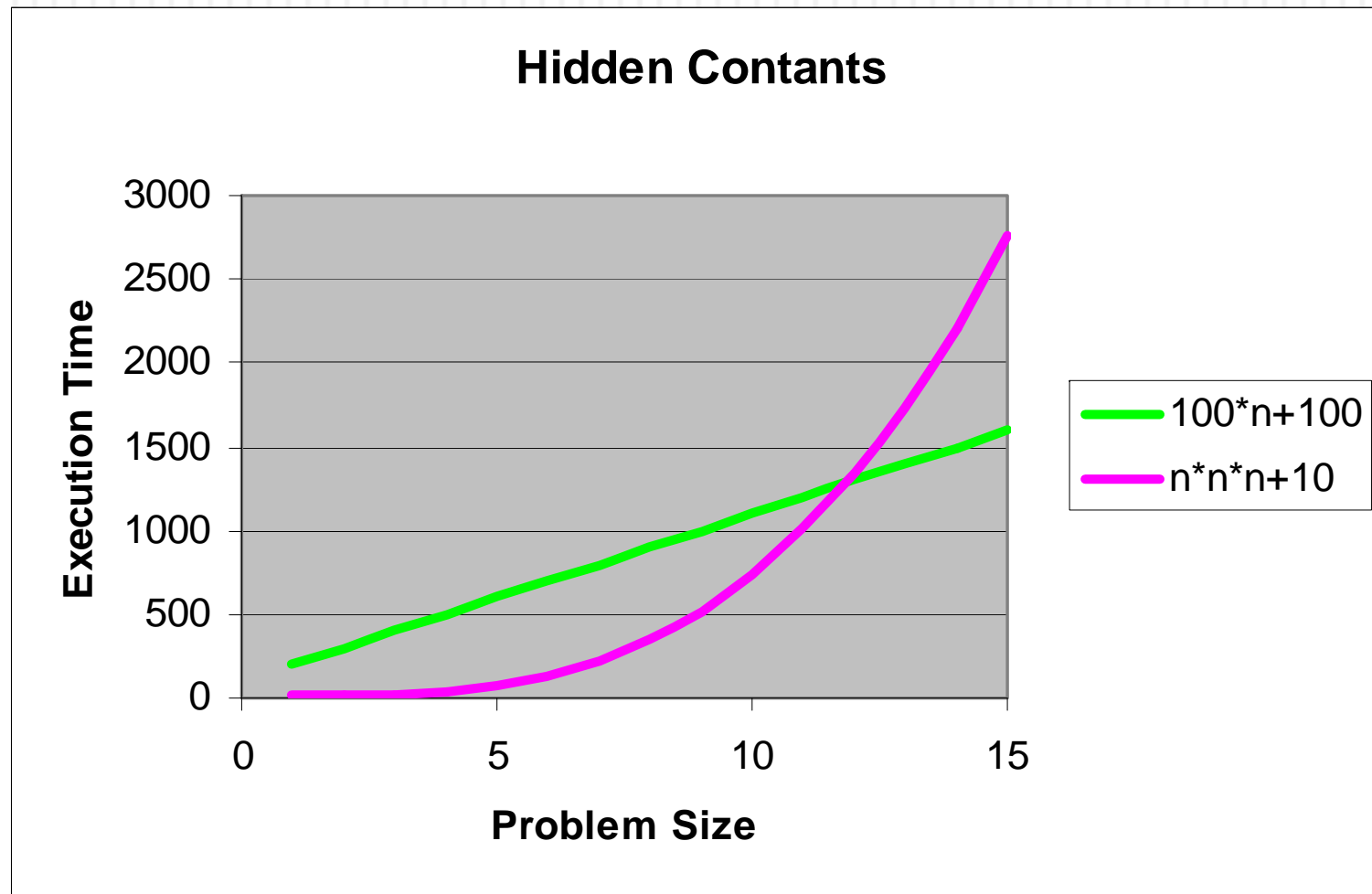
## The Golden Rules of Optimization

# Good Algorithms Rule

- The best and most important way of optimizing a program is using **good algorithms**
  - E.g.  $O(n \cdot \log)$  rather than  $O(n^2)$
- However, we still need lower level optimization to get more of our programs
- Remark: **asymptotic complexity** is not always an appropriate metric of efficiency
  - Hidden constant may be misleading
  - E.g. a linear time algorithm than runs in  $100 \cdot n + 100$  time is slower than a cubic time algorithm than runs in  $n^3 + 10$  time **if the problem size is small:**

# Asymptotic Complexity

## Hidden Constants





## LOCAL OPTIMIZATIONS (within basic blocks)

## 3AC -> DAG

Sometimes it is useful to construct 3AC code or DAG for particular optimizations.

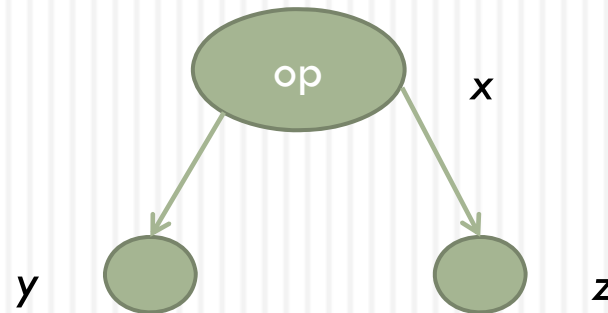
We can even convert 3AC -> DAG, then we can perform optimizations on DAG, and then convert DAG -> 3AC.

# 3AC $\rightarrow$ DAG construction

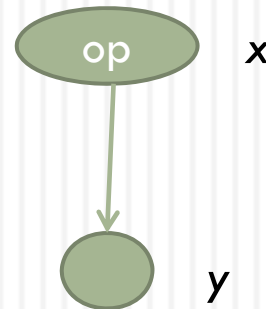
- Forward pass over basic block
- Array  $\text{curr}[x] = \text{nil}$  initially
- For  $x = y \text{ op } z$  ( $x = \text{op } y$ )
  - Find node labeled  $y$  ( $\text{curr}[y]$ ), or create one
  - Find node labeled  $z$  ( $\text{curr}[z]$ ), or create one
  - Create new node for  $\text{op}$ , or find an existing one with descendants  $y, z$  (based on  $\text{curr}[y]$  and  $\text{curr}[z]$ )
  - Add  $x$  to list of labels for new node,  $\text{curr}[x] = \text{pointed to the node}$
  - Remove label  $x$  from node on which it appeared previously
- For  $x = y;$ 
  - Add  $x$  to list of labels of node which currently holds  $y$

# 3AC -> DAG

➤  $x = y \text{ op } z$



➤  $x = y$



# DAG Example

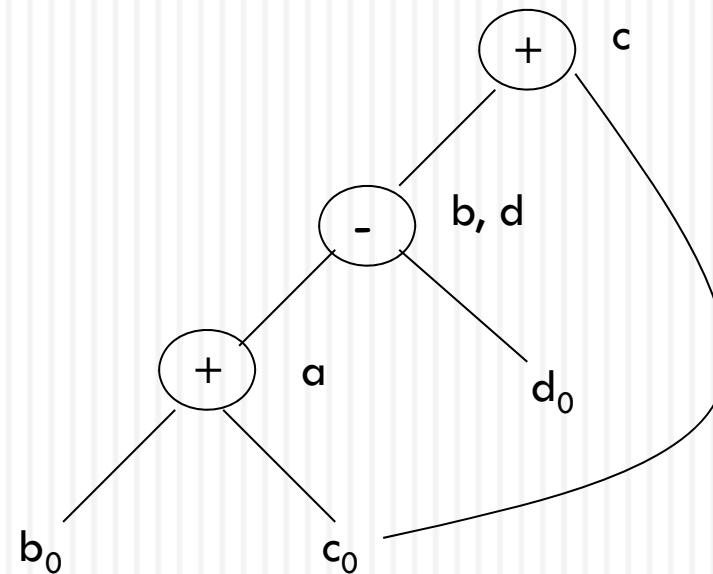
Transform a basic block into a DAG.

**a = b + c**

**b = a - d**

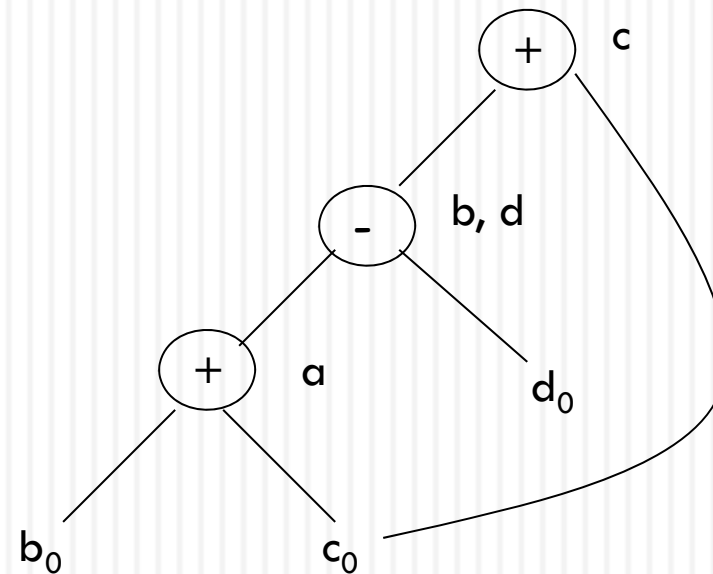
**c = b + c**

**d = a - d**



# DAG Example

Transform a basic block into a DAG.

$$\begin{aligned} a &= b + c \\ b &= a - d \\ c &= b + c \\ (d &= c) \end{aligned}$$


**Common subexpressions**





DAG -> 3AC

# DAG $\rightarrow$ 3AC

Reverse operation.

- Numbering nodes of the DAG top-down. We start at the root.  
Set  $n=1$ .
  1. Assigning the selected node the number  $n$ , and remove the node together with all its outgoing edges.
  2. Set  $n=n+1$ . Select a unnumbered node and repeat step 1 until DAG is empty.
- Producing 3AC code for temporaries in reverse order of numbering.

For a given DAG, more 3AC codes can be produced. It is advised to favor the leftmost upper node in step 2 – the leftmost operand is usually in register.



## Particular local optimizations

# Some General Optimization Techniques

## ➤ Strength reduction

➤ Use the fastest version of an operation

➤ E.g.

➤  $x \gg 2$                       instead of  $x / 4$

➤  $x \ll 1$                         instead of  $x * 2$

## ➤ Common sub expression elimination

➤ Eliminate redundant calculations

➤ E.g.

➤ `double x = d * (lim / max) * sx;`

➤ `double y = d * (lim / max) * sy;`

➤

➤

➤

➤

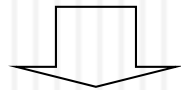
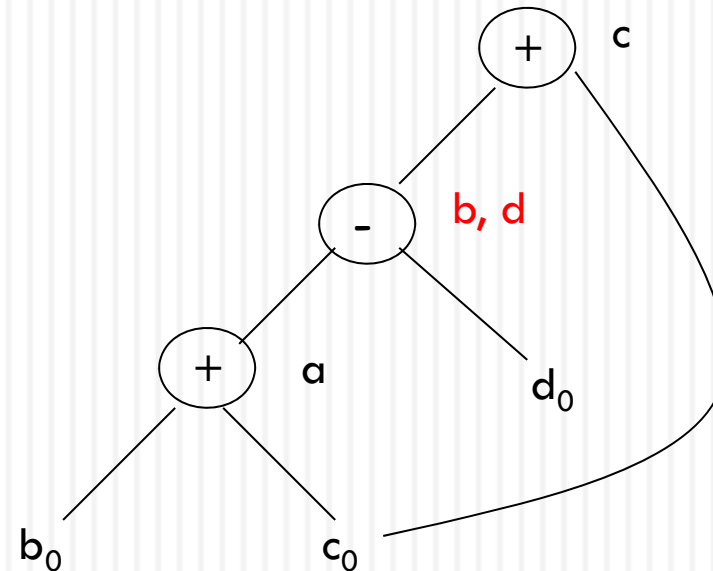
`double depth = d * (lim / max);`

`double x = depth * sx;`

`double y = depth * sy;`

# Local Common Subexpression elimination – based on DAG

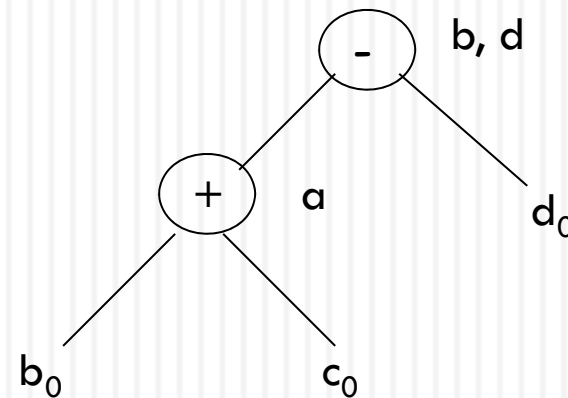
Performing local common subexpression elimination can be based on DAG. Suppose  $b$  is not live on exit.

$$\begin{aligned} a &= b + c \\ b &= a - d \\ c &= b + c \\ d &= a - d \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= b + c \\ d &= a - d \\ c &= d + c \end{aligned}$$


# Dead code elimination – based on DAG

Transform a basic block into a DAG.

$a = b + c$   
 $b = a - d$   
 $(d = b)$



**Dead code elimination (provided  $c$  is not live in the exit of the basic block)**  
**Removing roots which are not live**

# Some General Optimization Techniques

## ➤ Code motion

➤ *Invariant expressions* should be executed only once

➤ E.g.

➤ for (int i = 0; i < x.length; i++)  
➤     x[i] \*= Math.PI \* Math.cos(y);



➤ double picosy = Math.PI \* Math.cos(y);  
➤ for (int i = 0; i < x.length; i++)  
➤     x[i] \*= picosy;

# Some General Optimization Techniques

## ➤ Loop unrolling

- The overhead of the loop control code can be reduced by executing more than one iteration in the body of the loop. *E.g.*

- `double picosy = Math.PI * Math.cos(y);`

- `for (int i = 0; i < x.length; i++)`

- `x[i] *= picosy;`

- `double picosy = Math.PI * Math.cos(y);`

- `for (int i = 0; i < x.length; i += 2) {`

- `x[i] *= picosy;`

- `x[i+1] *= picosy;`

- `}`

A efficient “+1” in array indexing is required



# Some General Optimization Techniques

## ➤ **Loop unrolling.** another example

```
for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++)  
    x[i] = x[i] + 2;
```

```
x[0] = x[0] + 2;
```

```
x[1] = x[1] + 2;
```

```
x[2] = x[2] + 2;
```

# Some General Optimization Techniques

## ➤ **Dead code elimination.**

`If false then {code}`

`can be omitted.`

`If true then {code}`

`Can be transformed to`

`code`

# Some General Optimization Techniques

## ➤ **Dead code elimination.**

Instructions

$X = \{\text{code}\}$

, where  $X$  is not used anymore (ie.  $X$  is not live), can be omitted.

We have seen this above based on DAG.

# Peephole optimization techniques

- A group of optimization
- Sub-optimal sequences of instructions that match an optimization pattern are transformed into optimal sequences of instructions
- Peephole optimization usually works by sliding a window of several instructions (a *peephole*)
- Peephole optimization is very fast
  - Small overhead per instruction since they use a small, fixed-size window
- It may be easier to generate naïve code and run peephole optimization than generating good code.

# Peephole Optimization

Method:

1. Exam short sequences of target instructions
2. Replacing the sequence by **a more efficient one.**

**Note.** Often can be done on AST (DAG), or even can be done in the compiler frontend as a part of semantic evaluation!

- constant folding
- redundant-instruction elimination
- algebraic simplifications
- flow-of-control optimizations
- use of machine idioms, strength reduction

# Peephole Optimization

## Common Techniques

*Elimination of redundant loads and stores*

$r2 := r1 + 5$

$i := r2$

$r3 := i$

$r4 := r3 \times 3$

becomes

$r2 := r1 + 5$

$i := r2$

$r4 := r2 \times 3$

*Constant folding*

$r2 := 3 \times 2$

becomes

$r2 := 6$

# Peephole Optimization

## Common Techniques

### *Constant propagation*

$r2 := 4$ $r3 := r1 + r2$ $r2 := \dots$	becomes	$r2 := 4$ $r3 := r1 + 4$ $r2 := \dots$	and then	$r3 := r1 + 4$ $r2 := \dots$
$r2 := 4$ $r3 := r1 + r2$ $r3 := *r3$	becomes	$r3 := r1 + 4$ $r3 := *r3$	and then	$r3 := *(r1+4)$
$r1 := 3$ $r2 := r1 \times 2$	becomes	$r1 := 3$ $r2 := 3 \times 2$	and then	$r1 := 3$ $r2 := 6$

# Peephole Optimization

## Common Techniques

### *Copy propagation*

$r2 := r1$		$r2 := r1$				$r3 := r1 + r1$
$r3 := r1 + r2$	becomes	$r3 := r1 + r1$	and then			$r2 := 5$
$r2 := 5$		$r2 := 5$				

### *Strength reduction*

$r1 := r2 \times 2$	becomes	$r1 := r2 + r2$	or	$r1 := r2 \ll 1$
$r1 := r2 / 2$	becomes	$r1 := r2 \gg 1$		
$r1 := r2 \times 0$	becomes	$r1 := 0$		



# Peephole Optimization

## Common Techniques

*Elimination of useless instructions*

$r1 := r1 + 0$

$r1 := r1 \times 1$

# Algebraic identities

- Worth recognizing single instructions with a constant operand
  - Eliminate computations
    - $A * 1 = A$
    - $A * 0 = 0$
    - $A / 1 = A$
  - Reduce strength to a more efficient instructions
    - $A * 2 = A + A$
    - $A/2 = A * 0.5$
- More delicate with floating-point

# Note. Is this ever helpful?

- Why would anyone write  $X * 1$ ?
- Why bother to correct such obvious junk code?
- In fact one might write

```
#define MAX_TASKS 1
...
a = b * MAX_TASKS;
```
- Also, seemingly redundant code can be produced by other optimizations.

# Addition chains for multiplication

- If multiply is very slow (or on a machine with no multiply instruction like the original SPARC), decomposing a constant operand into sum of powers of two can be effective:

- $$X * 125 = x * 128 - x * 4 + x$$

- two shifts, one subtract and one add, which may be faster than one multiply
- Note similarity with efficient exponentiation method

# Flow-of-control - jumps

goto L1  
L1: goto L2



goto L2  
L1: goto L2

if a < b goto L1  
L1: goto L2



if a < b goto L2  
L1: goto L2

goto L1  
L1: if a < b goto L2  
L3:



if a < b goto L2  
goto L3  
...  
L3:

# Peephole Opt: an Example

## Source Code:

```
debug = 0
...
if(debug) {
    print debugging information
}
```

## Intermediate Code:

```
debug = 0
...
if debug = 1 goto L1
goto L2
L1: print debugging information
L2:
```

# Eliminate Jump after Jump

## Before:

```
debug = 0
...
if debug = 1 goto L1
goto L2
L1: print debugging information
L2:
```

## After:

```
debug = 0
...
if debug ≠ 1 goto L2
print debugging information
L2:
```

# Constant Propagation

**Before:**

```
debug = 0
...
if debug ≠ 1 goto L2
print debugging information
L2:
```

**After:**

```
debug = 0
...
if 0 ≠ 1 goto L2
print debugging information
L2:
```



# Unreachable Code (dead code elimination)

**Before:**

```
debug = 0
. . .
if 0 ≠ 1 goto L2
print debugging information
L2:
```

**After:**

```
debug = 0
. . .
```

# A detailed order of optimizations (from the book Muchnick: Advanced Compiler Design and Implementation)

