

Taming Undefined Behavior in LLVM

Artifact Description

1. LLVM Source Code & Examples

You can download base LLVM and Clang by running `clone-base.sh`. For your convenience, we already archived base LLVM and Clang to `llvm-base` and `clang-base`. Our implementations are stored as patch files. Please see `patch` directory. Patched LLVM and Clang are archived in `llvm-freeze` and `clang-freeze`.

You can compile LLVM by running `'build-llvm.sh (base/freeze) <destdir>'`. For example, running `'build-llvm.sh base ./base'` will compile base LLVM, and locate binaries (`clang`, `opt`, `..`) into `./base/bin`. If you want more rapid compile of LLVM, you can use `'build-llvm-fast.sh (base/freeze) <destdir>'`. It shortens LLVM compilation by using dynamic linking, but you should use binaries generated by this script only for correctness checking. For performance measure, please use binaries generated by `'build-llvm.sh'`.

In example directory, `basic.ll` contains a simple function with freeze instruction inside. `loopunswitch.c` is a C program which makes clang do loop unswitch. There are two LLVM bugs (bug27506 and bug31652) which represents the bad interaction between loop unswitch and GVN. To reproduce the buggy behavior, run `'run.sh <llvm-dir>'`. Directory `'<llvm-dir>/bin/'` must contain executable files `clang` and `clang++`. You can also confirm that it is fixed by our solution.

2. Benchmarks

Two directories (`llvm-test-suite` and `lnt`) in the github repo are what we had used for LLVM Nightly Test performance estimation. You can checkout them from online by running `checkout-lnt.sh` as well.

`singlefileprograms` directory contains large single file programs which were used to estimate compiler's speed, memory usage, and object file size.

We did not archive SPEC benchmark on our repository because it is a commercial software. I stored configuration files I used as well as `README.md` into `spec/` folder.

3. Running Experiments

3.1 Environmental Settings

Ubuntu 16.04 is the most suitable OS for running our experiment scripts, but other linux distributions are fine as well. Prior to running experiment, you'll have to install `python 2.7`, `git`, `virtualenv`, `bc`, `python-dev`, `zlib-dev`, `yacc`, `tcl-dev`, and `cmake` packages. If

you're using Ubuntu, you can install these packages with `apt-get` command.

If you want to run experiment under `cpuset` as depicted in our paper, you need a few more steps. 'Using `cpuset`' section in `'README.md'` will explain the steps.

3.2 LLVM Nightly Test

Execute `'init-lnt.sh <sandbox dir>'` to instantiate a python sandbox. Sandbox directory is the place for compiling LNT test cases. After instantiation, run `'run-lnt.sh <sandbox-dir> <llvm-dir>'`. It will automatically start running test cases in LNT. If you want to use `cpuset`, please refer to `'README.md'`.

Experimental results will be recorded at `'<sandbox-dir>/test-.../report.simple.csv'`. See `CC_Real_Time` column for compilation time, and `Exec_Real_Time` column for running time. The result is given in seconds. After running 5 times for each clang(base and freeze), you can use `'collect-lnt.sh <sandbox-dir> <outputdir>'` to generate .csv files. `'cc*.csv'` files contain compile times with medians, and `'rt*.csv'` files contain running times with medians. `'*.sorted*.csv'` files list benchmarks in decreasing order of slowdowns.

3.3 Large Single File Programs

Compilation Time Run `'compiletime.sh <llvm-dir> <output-dir>'`. It will print compilation time for each program. Among measures, `real` is the one we used in the paper. `Slowdown(%)` is calculated as $(Freeze - Base) / Base * 100$ where `Freeze` and `Base` are median of compilation time.

If you want to use `cpuset`, please refer to `'README.md'`.

Memory Usage Execute `'memfoot.sh <llvm-dir> <output-dir>'`. It will record memory usages for every 0.02 secs, and create `*.summary.csv`. Please refer to `Max RSS` and `Max VSZ` columns. Percentage increase of `Max RSS` is defined as $(Freeze - Base) / Base * 100$, where `Freeze` and `Base` are median of `Max RSS` values. Percentage increase of `Max VSZ` is defined analogously. Maximum memory increase is the larger value of two measures.

If you want to use `cpuset`, please refer to `'README.md'`.

Object Size Execute `'compileall.sh <llvm-dir> <output-dir>'`. It will create object files as well as bit-code files to `<output-dir>`. To count # of instructions, use executable `'instcounter/instcounter'`. To build `instcounter`, run `'instcounter/build.sh <llvm-dir>'`. `'<llvm-dir>'` should be the LLVM build directory containing freeze.

You can navigate files from <https://github.com/pldi17-17/pldi17-17>. To use `cpuset`, your computer should have at least 4 cores.