

# Performance Lecture

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# Reminders



Congrats on finishing your assignments!

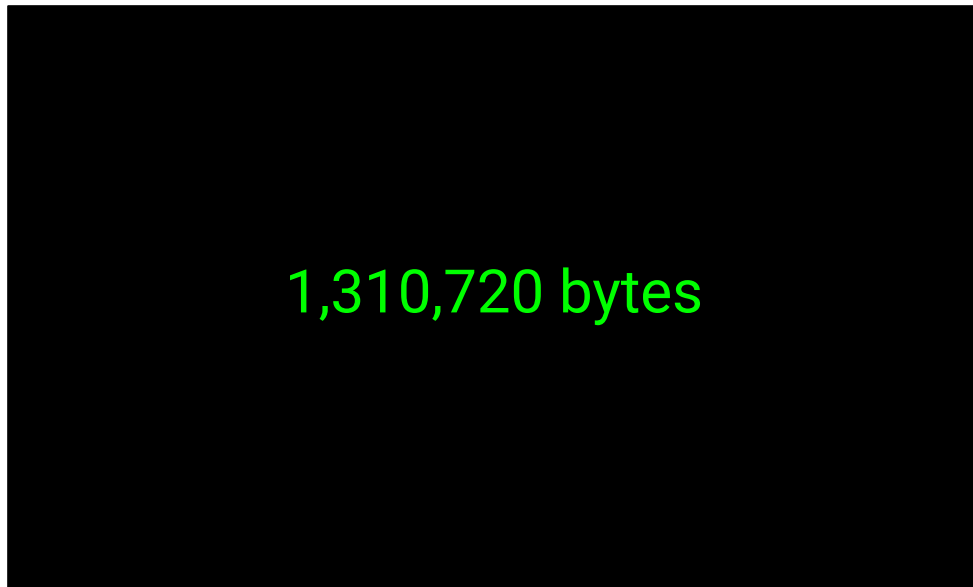
Why do we want to optimize performance?

1 px = 4 bytes

640px

512px

1,310,720 bytes



DEMO TIME

Making **gl\_clear** really fast

How can we make this faster?



## ***SPEED TIP #1***

Reduce how many function  
calls you make!



[illegible]

Can we make this faster?



## ***SPEED TIP #2***

Use optimization option flags when  
you're compiling!

# O1

- fauto-inc-dec
- fbranch-count-reg
- fcombine-stack-adjustments
- fcompare-elim
- fcprop-registers
- fdce
- fdefer-pop
- fdelayed-branch
- fdse
- fforward-propagate
- fguess-branch-probability
- fif-conversion
- fif-conversion2
- finline-functions-called-once
- fipa-profile
- fipa-pure-const
- fipa-reference
- fipa-reference-addressable
- fmerge-constants
- fmove-loop-invariants
- fomit-frame-pointer
- freorder-blocks
- fshrink-wrap
- fshrink-wrap-separate
- fsplit-wide-types
- fssa-backprop
- fssa-phiopt
- ftree-bit-ccp
- ftree-ccp
- ftree-ch
- ftree-coalesce-vars
- ftree-copy-prop
- ftree-dce
- ftree-dominator-opts
- ftree-dse
- ftree-forwprop
- ftree-fre
- ftree-phisprop
- ftree-pta

# O2

- falign-functions -falign-jumps
- falign-labels -falign-loops
- fcaller-saves
- fcode-hoisting
- fcrossjumping
- fcse-follow-jumps -fcse-skip-blocks
- fdelete-null-pointer-checks
- fdevirtualize -fdevirtualize-speculatively
- fexpensive-optimizations
- ffinite-loops
- fgcse -fgcse-lm
- fhoist-adjacent-loads
- finline-functions
- finline-small-functions
- findirect-inlining
- fipa-bit-cp -fipa-cp -fipa-icf
- fipa-ra -fipa-sra -fipa-vrp
- fisolate-erroneous-paths-dereference
- flra-remat
- foptimize-sibling-calls
- foptimize-strlen
- fpartial-inlining
- fpeephole2
- freorder-blocks-algorithm=stc
- freorder-blocks-and-partition -freorder-functions
- frerun-cse-after-loop
- fschedule-insns -fschedule-insns2
- fsched-interblock -fsched-spec
- fstore-merging
- fstrict-aliasing
- fthread-jumps
- ftree-builtin-call-dce
- ftree-pre
- ftree-switch-conversion -ftree-tail-merge
- ftree-vrp

# O3

- fgcse-after-reload
- fipa-cp-clone
- floopt-interchange
- floopt-unroll-and-jam
- fpeel-loops
- fpredictive-commoning
- fsplit-loops
- fsplit-paths
- ftree-loop-distribution
- ftree-loop-vectorize
- ftree-partial-pre
- ftree-slp-vectorize
- funswitch-loops
- fvect-cost-model
- fvect-cost-model=dynamic
- fversion-loops-for-strides

Can we make this faster?



## ***SPEED TIP #3***

Precompute values you're  
planning to re-use!

Can we make this faster?



## ***SPEED TIP #4***

Only use **volatile** when  
you really need to!



Can we make this faster?

0x0

# 0x4

[illegible]

0x0

0x4

char	char	char	char	char	char	char	char
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0x0

0x4

unsigned int	unsigned int
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## ***SPEED TIP #5***

Minimize the number of loads and stores you do! Work with more bytes at once!

Can we make this faster?



## ***SPEED TIP #6***

If you want to write 8 bytes at a time, you can use the **long long** data type!

Can we make this faster?



## ***SPEED TIP #7***

Unroll your for-loops >:)



Can we make this faster?



What's that we hear???

cache

cache

cache

cache

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cache





## ***SPEED TIP #8***

Use the cache!

Can we make this faster?



## ***SPEED TIP #9***

The lower-level you get, the more you  
can **MAXIMIZE** your **EFFICIENCY**

1000x faster!!



Speed vs. style

Not everything should be treated  
as an optimization problem!



Good luck in week 10!

