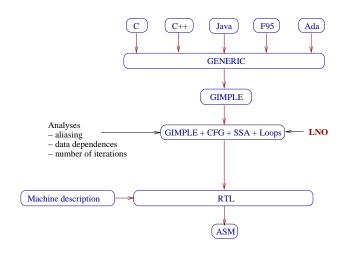
Loop Nest Optimizer of GCC

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Architecture of GCC and Loop Nest Optimizer



Future Plans for the LNO

- GRAPHITE: extension of linear transforms
- parallel code generation (via libgomp)
- machine models and abstract simulators
- static profitability analyses
- hybrid analyses (compress static analysis + dynamic part)

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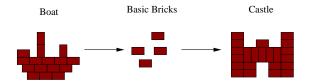
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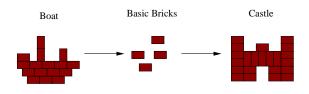
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solved in WRaP-IT(from 2002 at INRIA on ORC/Open64)
GRAPHITE = WRaP-IT for GCC







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GRAPHITE(1, 2, 3) extends LAMBDA(1, 2)
GRAPHITE: Gimple Represented As Polyhedra
(with interchangeable envelopes)

GRAPHITE versus LAMBDA

- COMMON part: unimodular transform data and iteration order
- transform regions: extended from loops to SCoP
 "static control parts": sequences, affine conditions and loops
- GRAPHITE knows about the sequence!
 enables more loop transforms: fusion, fission, tiling, software pipelining, scheduling

Compose Transforms

Small set of primitives (basic operations on matrices)

- motion
- interchange
- strip-mine
- insert, delete
- shift
- **Skew**, reversal, reindexing
- privatize

Composed transforms

- fission, fusion: 1
- tiling: 2 + 3

Optimal Transform?

Find sequences of transforms based on

- size of loops
- cache misses
- simulation

Automatic selection of transforms

- amounts to choosing a point in a vector space
- hard part (open questions)
- WRaP-IT uses directives

Results From WRaP-IT on Top of PathScale EKOPath

swim from SPEC CPU2000

- 32% speedup on AthlonXP wrt. peak EKOPath (V2.1)
- 38% speedup for Athlon64 wrt. peak EKOPath (V2.1)
- principal SCoP: 421 lines of code
- apply 30 transforms to principal SCoP fusion, tiling, peeling, unrolling, interchange, strip-mining
- result 2267 LOC
- 39 sec source to assembly on AthlonXP 2.08GHz
- 22 sec in the backend
- 12 sec polyhedral data deps
- 4 sec polyhedral code gen



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Idea: abstract simulation.

Abstract Simulation

Program Semantics + Precise Machine Description → Simulator

Abstract Simulation



Hybrid Analyses (Static + Dynamic)

Properties for validating a transform:

Static decidable

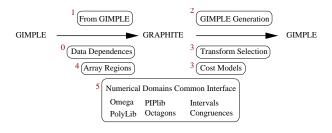
Dynamic decidable

When static analysis fails,

- collect failed static problems
- symbolically compress
- instrument code (instantiate at run time)
- code generation problems (code size + completing static analysis overhead)

GRAPHITE: Road Map

- select SCoPs filter out difficult codes (Alexandru Plesco)
- extend LAMBDA build schedule functions, GLooG
- Sost models more static analyzers, and transform selection
- array regions improve data deps in interproc mode
- Iib integration PolyLib, PiPLib, Omega, lib-APRON



Questions?

lib-APRON: interchange envelopes

limit computation complexity = restrict expressivity use coarser representations

