Partial Redundancy Elimination (PRE)

Loop invariant code motion

- Move invariant evaluations of expressions out of loops
 - Identify invariant statements, hoist them out of loop



Common subexpression elimination

- Remove redundant computations of expressions
- Compute *available* expressions, replace expressions that are available with already-computed expression



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Removing total redundancies

- Both loop-invariant code motion and common subexpression elimination focus on removing total redundancy
 - Focus on computations which are computed multiple times along every path
 - Are these the only kinds of redundancies?

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Partial redundancy

- An expression calculated once along one path, but twice along another
- Move code to remove *partial* redundancy



One optimization can cover all of these cases

- Partial redundancy elimination (PRE)
 - One of the most complex dataflow analyses
 - Subsumes common subexpression elimination and loop invariant code motion
- Originally proposed in 1979 by Morel and Renvoise
 - Used a bi-directional dataflow analysis
- Reformulated by Knoop, Rüthing and Steffen in 1992
 - Uses a backward dataflow analysis followed by a forward analysis
- We will discuss this latter formulation

Partial redundancy elimination

- High level picture:
 - Consider a single expression (b + c)
 - Find CFG nodes where expression will be used before its result is invalidated (*down-safety*)
 - Find CFG nodes where expression has already been evaluated (*up-safety*)
 - Use this information to determine optimal location to evaluate expression

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Some particulars

- Will consider just a single expression
 - The flow functions presented operate over a 1-0 lattice
 - Can easily extend this to multiple expressions by using a bit vector lattice
- Only one assignment per CFG node (no aliasing)
- Insert empty blocks before each join node (allowing code to be placed in block)

More particulars

- No edges from branch node directly to join node
 - Must insert empty node



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Down-safety

- General idea in PRE: move computation earlier in the program to produce redundancy (which can later be eliminated)
- When can an expression be placed in a node?
 - If expression is calculated on all paths from the node
 - Do not want to evaluate an expression unnecessarily
 - If the operands of the expression are not changed before subsequent uses
 - Do not want to evaluate an expression only to have to re-evaluate it

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Down-safety (II)

- Used(n) true if expression (b + c) is calculated in node n
- Transparent(n) true if neither b nor c are defined in n
- Key insight: if *transparent(n)* and all successors of *n* are down-safe, then *n* is down-safe

 $Dsafe(n) = Used(n) \lor (Transp(n) \land \bigwedge_{s \in succ(n)} Dsafe(s))$

- This can be computed with a straightforward backward dataflow analysis
 - Dsafe(exit) = false

Down-safety (III)

- Called anticipatable in the Drechsler and Stadel paper
- Also the same as very busy expressions

Very-busy expressions

• An expression is very busy at a node if it is computed on every path leading from a node

$$IN(s) = gen(s) \cup (OUT(s) - kill(s))$$

$$OUT(s) = \bigcap_{t \in succ(s)} IN(t)$$

- gen(s): the expressions calculated in a statement
 - Same as used
- kill(s): the expressions whose operands are redefined in a statement
- Same as ¬transp
- IN(s) is the same as Dsafe(n)

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Up-safety

- Where is it unnecessary to recompute an expression?
 - If the expression has already been calculated along every incoming path
 - Should just re-use results of previous computation, rather than re-computing

$$Usafe(n) = \bigwedge_{p \in pred(n)} (Transp(p) \land (Used(p) \lor Usafe(p)))$$

Similar to available expressions

$$IN(s) = \bigcap_{t \in pred(s)} OUT(t)$$

$$OUT(s) = (IN(s) \cup gen(s)) - kill(s)$$

Where to place expressions?

- Any downsafe node is a valid place for an expression
- But clearly do not want to place expressions in all downsafe nodes
- Want to minimize number of times expression is evaluated
- Place expression in *earliest* downsafe position
- Intuition
- Definitely earliest if it's the start node
- Earliest if a predecessor isn't transparent
- Need to recalculate expression along that path
- Earliest if has a predecessor that is not downsafe
- Predecessor isn't a valid place to place expression
- Predecessor should also not be upsafe
- Why?

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Earliest downsafe node

• Equation to capture conditions

 $\begin{array}{lll} Earliest(n) = & Dsafe(n) \land \\ & \bigvee_{pred(n)} (\neg Transp(p) \lor (\neg Usafe(p) \land \neg Dsafe(p))) \end{array}$

- Note: not recursive, so no need for fixpoint computation
- Can now transform code:
- Place expression t = b + c at all nodes marked *earliest*
- Replace all other uses of b + c with t

Delaying placement

- May want to place expressions later than earliest
 - Why? To minimize live ranges of temporaries
- Calculate *Delay(n)* to determine if placement can be delayed to this node

$$Delay(n) = Earliest(n) \lor$$

$$\bigwedge_{p \in pred(n)} (\neg Used(p) \land Delay(p))$$

- Obviously can delay if the node is earliest
- Can also delay if expression is not used in any predecessor and can be delayed to all predecessors

Latest

• Find the latest node to which we can delay placement:

$$Latest(n) = Delay(n) \land (Used(n) \lor \bigvee_{s \in succ(n)} \neg Delay(s))$$

- Note: not recursive
- What is the purpose of each clause?

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A sparse version of PRE

- PRE as presented operates over the CFG
 - Calculate downsafety and upsafety by looking at predecessors and successors in CFG
- Can we calculate PRE in a sparse manner, as we did for CP?
- Solution: SSAPRE
 - "Partial Redundancy Elimination in SSA Form," Kennedy et al.

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SSAPRE

Factored Redundancy Graph

- Sparse representation that captures redundancy between expressions
 - Intuition: like SSA form for expressions
 - Problem: no notion of "uses" and "defs" for expressions
 - Instead, track computations of expression E
 - *E* is "defined" when it is computed
 - E is "used" when it is computed in a redundant way
 - There is a path leading from a previous computation to this one where the operands of *E* are not redefined

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Factored Redundancy Graph

- Can construct "redundancy graph"
- Nodes for each computation of expression *E*
- Redundancy edge from node x to node y if computation in x is redundant with respect to y
- Factored redundancy graph is like SSA for redundancy relation
- Φ-node for each merge point where two computations of *E* come together
- Also insert Φ-nodes where E only computed along one incoming path. Set other operand to ⊥
- Edges (called "upward edges") from a node to the computation-node or Φnode that dominates it

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Central insight

- Suppose we perform optimal PRE for an expression *E*, inserting computations of temporary *t* at some sites and replacing other computations with uses of *t*
- Every use-def relation for *t* corresponds directly to a redundancy edge for *E*
- If a redundancy edge is not captured by a use-def edge of t, then this means either
 - Redundancy could not be safely exploited or
 - Expression has same value on both sides of redundancy edge (so no need to recalculate)
- Goal of SSEPRE: figure out which redundancy edges for E should turn into use-def edges for t

Constructing FRG

- Insert Φ nodes
 - Just like in SSA
- Rename expressions
 - A "def" in the FRG and its corresponding "uses" represents a redundancy class
 - · Give each redundancy class a unique name
- Perform PRE over FRG

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Φ-insertion

- Insert a Φ node at the iterated dominance frontier of each occurrence of E
 - Because each occurrence of *E* represents a potential definition of *t*
- Insert a Φ node at every block where there is a φ-node for one of the expression's operands
- Existence of φ-node indicates result of E has changed by this merge point, and so may need to be recalculated

Renaming step

- Give each occurrence of *E* a name (similar to naming versions of variables in SSA)
- Three occurrences
 - Φ-node: give occurrence a new class number
 - Real (original) occurrence: if current operands of E match versions of operands in previous use of E, use appropriate class number, otherwise generate new one
 - Operand of Φ -node: if current operands of E match versions of operands in previous use of E, use appropriate class number, otherwise, use \bot
- Invariant: if two occurrences of E have same class number, they produce the same result. If not, then there must be an intervening redefinition of operand, or a Φ -node

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Calculating down-safety

- Trick: Insertions of computation only necessary at Φ-nodes, so only need to consider downsafety there
- a Φ-node *isn't* downsafe if one of two cases is true
 - There is a path to the exit where Φ-node's redundancy class does not appear (which means expression is not calculated before the exit)
 - There is a path from Φ-node to another Φ-node which is not downsafe and there is no real occurrence of redundancy class (which means that expression is not actually calculated before we get to a non-downsafe node)
- All downsafe Φ-nodes are valid places to calculate an expression (i.e., by evaluating expression in predecessors)

Will be available

- Φ-nodes where expression will be available *after* PRE has happened are labeled WillBeAvailable
- Intuition:
 - WillBeAvailable is true if *E* can be made available (because there is some downsafe set of nodes which will make *E* available here) and *E* cannot be computed later instead

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Inserting computation

- Insert additional evaluations of E to produce operands of Φ nodes where WillBeAvailable is true and:
 - operand is \perp (E hasn't been calculated yet) or
 - no actual computation of E on path to operand but Φ node leading to operand does not satisfy WillBeAvailable (E isn't calculated along path and E won't be available already)
- Some occurrences of E will be reloaded from temporary
 - If E is dominated by a computation of E (incl. Φ nodes)
- Other occurrences of E will be saved to the temporary
- If E is the inserted operand of a Φ-node (but not other operands)
- If E dominates a reloaded E

Generating code

- Walk over FRG
- At a real occurrence of E
- If save is true, compute expression, save in new version of t
- If *reload* is true, load result from appropriate *t* (from the computation of *E* that dominates this occurrence)
- If insert is true, compute expression, save in new version of t
- At Φ-node
- Replace with φ-node for t

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