Workshop on Essential Abstractions in GCC

Manipulating GIMPLE and RTL IRs

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- An Overview of GIMPLE
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- Manipulating RTL IR
- An Overview of RTL

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Part 1

An Overview of GIMPLE

GIMPLE: A Recap

- Language independent three address code representation
  - Computation represented as a sequence of basic operations
  - Temporaries introduced to hold intermediate values
- Control construct explicated into conditional and unconditional jumps

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GIMPLE: A Recap

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Motivation Behind GIMPLE

- Previously, the only common IR was RTL (Register Transfer Language)
- Drawbacks of RTL for performing high-level optimizations
  - Low-level IR, more suitable for machine dependent optimizations (e.g., peephole optimization)
  - High level information is difficult to extract from RTL (e.g. array references, data types etc.)
  - Introduces stack too soon, even if later optimizations do not require it

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Motivation Behind GIMPLE

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Why Not Abstract Syntax Trees for Optimization?

- ASTs contain detailed function information but are not suitable for optimization because
  - Lack of a common representation across languages
    - No single AST shared by all front-ends
    - So each language would have to have a different implementation of the same optimizations
    - Difficult to maintain and upgrade so many optimization frameworks
  - Structural Complexity
    - Lots of complexity due to the syntactic constructs of each language
    - Hierarchical structure and not linear structure
      Control flow explication is required

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Why Not Abstract Syntax Trees for Optimization?

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Need for a New IR

- Earlier versions of GCC would build up trees for a single statement,and then lower them to RTL before moving on to the next statement
- For higher level optimizations, entire function needs to be represented in trees in a language-independent way.
- Result of this effort - GENERIC and GIMPLE

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Need for a New IR

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What is GENERIC?

What?

- Language independent IR for a complete function in the form of trees
- Obtained by removing language specific constructs from ASTs
- All tree codes defined in `$(SOURCE)/gcc/tree.def`

Why?

- Each language frontend can have its own AST
- Once parsing is complete they must emit GENERIC

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What is GENERIC?

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What is GIMPLE ?

- GIMPLE is influenced by SIMPLE IR of McCat compiler
- But GIMPLE is not same as SIMPLE (GIMPLE supports GOTO)
- It is a simplified subset of GENERIC
  - 3 address representation
  - Control flow lowering
  - Cleanups and simplification, restricted grammar
- Benefit : Optimizations become easier

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What is GIMPLE ?

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GIMPLE Goals

The Goals of GIMPLE are

- Lower control flow
  Program = sequenced statements + jump
- Simplify expressions
  Typically: two operand assignments!
- Simplify scope
  Move local scope to block begin, including temporaries

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GIMPLE Goals

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Tuple Based GIMPLE Representation

- Earlier implementation of GIMPLE used trees as internal data structure
- Tree data structure was much more general than was required for three address statements
- Now a three address statement is implemented as a tuple
- These tuples contain the following information
  - Type of the statement
  - Result
  - Operator
  - Operands

  The result and operands are still represented using trees

Tuple Based GIMPLE Representation

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Observing Internal Form of GIMPLE

`test.c.004t.gimple` with compilation option `-fdump-tree-all`

```
x = 10;
y = 5;
D.1954 = x * y;
a.0 = a;
x = D.1954 + a.0;
a.1 = a;
D.1957 = a.1 * x;
y = y - D.1957;
```

`test.c.004t.gimple` with compilation option `-fdump-tree-all-raw`

```
gimple_assign <integer_cst, x, 10, NULL>
gimple_assign <integer_cst, y, 5, NULL>
gimple_assign <mult_expr, D.1954, x, y>
gimple_assign <var_decl, a.0, a, NULL>
gimple_assign <plus_expr, x, D.1954, a.0>
gimple_assign <var_decl, a.1, a, NULL>
gimple_assign <mult_expr, D.1957, a.1, x>
gimple_assign <minus_expr, y, y, D.1957>
```


Observing Internal Form of GIMPLE

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Observing Internal Form of GIMPLE

test.c.004t.gimple with compilation option -fdump-tree-all

```
  if (a < c)
    goto <D.1953>;
  else
    goto <D.1954>;
<D.1953>:
  a = b + c;
  goto <D.1955>;
<D.1954>:
  a = b - c;
<D.1955>:
```

test.c.004t.gimple with compilation option -fdump-tree-all-raw

```
gimple_cond <lt_expr, a,c,<D.1953>, <D.1954>>
gimple_label <<D.1953>>
gimple_assign <plus_expr, a, b, c>
gimple_goto <<D.1955>>
gimple_label <<D.1954>>
gimple_assign <minus_expr, a, b, c>
gimple_label <<D.1955>>
```


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Observing Internal Form of GIMPLE

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Part 2

Using GIMPLE API in GCC-4.5.0

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Iterating Over GIMPLE Statements

- A basic block contains a doubly linked-list of GIMPLE statements
- The statements are represented as GIMPLE tuples, and the operands are represented by tree data structure
- Processing of statements can be done through iterators

Iterating Over GIMPLE Statements

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```
basic_block bb;
gimple_stmt_iterator gsi;

FOR_EACH_BB (bb)
{
    for (gsi=gsi_start_bb (bb); !gsi_end_p (gsi);
                                       gsi_next (&gsi))
         analyze_statement (gsi_stmt (gsi));
}
```


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Basic block iterator

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}

GIMPLE statement iterator

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                                              gsi_next (&gsi))
         analyze_statement (gsi_stmt (gsi));
}
```

Get the first statement of bb

Iterating Over GIMPLE Statements

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         analyze_statement (gsi_stmt (gsi));
}
```

True if end reached

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                                 gsi_next (&gsi))
         analyze_statement (gsi_stmt (gsi));
}
```

Advance iterator to the next GIMPLE stmt

Iterating Over GIMPLE Statements

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                                 gsi_next (&gsi))
         analyze_statement (gsi_stmt (gsi));
}
```


Return the current statement

Iterating Over GIMPLE Statements

Notes

Other Useful APIs for Manipulating GIMPLE

- gimple_assign_lhs: Extracting the left hand side
- gimple_assign_rhs1: Extracting the left operand of the right hand side
- gimple_assign_rhs2: Extracting the right operand of the right hand side
- gimple_assign_rhs_code: Code of the operator of the right hand side

A complete list can be found in the file gimple.h

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Other Useful APIs for Manipulating GIMPLE

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Part 3

Adding a GIMPLE Pass to GCC

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Adding a GIMPLE Intraprocedural Pass in GCC-4.5.0

1. Add the following `gimple_opt_pass struct` instance to the file

```
struct gimple_opt_pass pass_intra_gimple_manipulation =
{
  {
   GIMPLE_PASS,                  /* optimization pass type */
   "gm",                         /* name of the pass*/
   gate_gimple_manipulation,     /* gate. */
   intra_gimple_manipulation,    /* execute (driver function) */
   NULL,                         /* sub passes to be run */
   NULL,                         /* next pass to run */
   0,                            /* static pass number */
   0,                            /* timevar_id */
   0,                            /* properties required */
   0,                            /* properties provided */
   0,                            /* properties destroyed */
   0,                            /* todo_flags start */
   0                             /* todo_flags end */
  }
};
```


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Adding a GIMPLE Intraprocedural Pass in GCC-4.5.0

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Adding a GIMPLE Intraprocedural Pass in GCC-4.5.0

2. Write the driver function in file `gimple-manipulation.c`
3. Declare your pass in file `tree-pass.h`:
   `extern struct gimple_opt_pass pass_intra_gimple_manipulation;`
4. Add your pass to the intraprocedural pass list in `init_optimization_passes()`

```
...
NEXT_PASS (pass_intra_gimple_manipulation);
NEXT_PASS (pass_lower_complex_O0);
NEXT_PASS (pass_cleanup_eh);
...
```

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Adding a GIMPLE Intraprocedural Pass in GCC-4.5.0

5. In `$SOURCE/gcc/Makefile.in`, add `gimple-manipulate.o` to the list of language independent object files. Also, make specific changes to compile `gimple-manipulate.o` from `gimple-manipulate.c`
6. Configure and build gcc
   (For simplicity, we will make `cc1` only)
7. Debug `cc1` using ddd/gdb if need arises

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Calculate the number of pointer statements in GIMPLE (i.e. result or an operand is a pointer variable)

```
int *p, *q;
void callme (int);
int main ()
{
    int  a, b;
    p = &b;
    callme (a);
    return 0;
}
void callme (int a)
{
    a = *(p + 3);
    q = &a;
}
```

```
main ()
{
    p = &b;
    callme (a);
    D.1965 = 0;
    return D.1965;
}
callme (int a)
{
    p.0 = p;
    D.1963 = p.0 + 12;
    a.1 = *D.1963;
    a = a.1;
    q = &a;
}
```


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An Intraprocedural Analysis Application

```
static unsigned int
intra_gimple_manipulation (void)
{
   basic_block bb;
   gimple_stmt_iterator gsi;

   initialize_var_count ();
   FOR_EACH_BB_FN (bb, cfun)
   {
       for (gsi=gsi_start_bb (bb); !gsi_end_p (gsi);
                                          gsi_next (&gsi))
            analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```


An Intraprocedural Analysis Application

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   }
   print_var_count ();
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}
```


Basic block iterator parameterized with function

An Intraprocedural Analysis Application

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                                             gsi_next (&gsi))
            analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```

Current function (i.e. function being compiled)

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                                             gsi_next (&gsi))
            analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```

GIMPLE statement iterator

An Intraprocedural Analysis Application

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Intraprocedural Analysis Results

```
main ()
{
    p = &b;
    callme (a);
    D.1965 = 0;
    return D.1965;
}
callme (int a)
{
    p.0 = p;
    D.1963 = p.0 + 12;
    a.1 = *D.1963;
    a = a.1;
    q = &a;
}
```

Information collected by intraprocedural Analysis pass

- For main: 1
- For callme: 3

Perform interprocedural analysis to get collective information

Intraprocedural Analysis Results

Notes

Adding a GIMPLE Interprocedural Pass in GCC-4.5.0

1. Add the following `gimple_opt_pass struct` instance to the file

```
struct simple_ipa_opt_pass pass_inter_gimple_manipulation =
{
  {
   SIMPLE_IPA_PASS,              /* optimization pass type */
   "gm",                         /* name of the pass*/
   gate_gimple_manipulation,     /* gate. */
   inter_gimple_manipulation,    /* execute (driver function) */
   NULL,                         /* sub passes to be run */
   NULL,                         /* next pass to run */
   0,                            /* static pass number */
   0,                            /* timevar_id */
   0,                            /* properties required */
   0,                            /* properties provided */
   0,                            /* properties destroyed */
   0,                            /* todo_flags start */
   0                             /* todo_flags end */
  }
};
```


Adding a GIMPLE Interprocedural Pass in GCC-4.5.0

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2. Write the driver function in file `gimple-manipulation.c`
3. Declare your pass in file `tree-pass.h`:
```
extern struct simple_ipa_opt_pass
        pass_inter_gimple_manipulation;
```
4. Add your pass to the interprocedural pass list in `init_optimization_passes()`
```
...
p = &all_regular_ipa_passes;
NEXT_PASS (pass_ipa_whole_program_visibility);
NEXT_PASS (pass_inter_gimple_manipulation);
NEXT_PASS (pass_ipa_cp);
...
```


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Adding a GIMPLE Interprocedural Pass in GCC-4.5.0

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```
static unsigned int
inter_gimple_manipulation (void)
{
   struct cgraph_node *node;
   basic_block bb;
   gimple_stmt_iterator gsi;
   initialize_var_count ();
   for (node = cgraph_nodes; node; node=node->next) {
      /* Nodes without a body, and clone nodes are not interesting. */
      if (!gimple_has_body_p (node->decl) || node->clone_of)
           continue;
      push_cfun (DECL_STRUCT_FUNCTION (node->decl));
      FOR_EACH_BB (bb) {
          for (gsi=gsi_start_bb (bb); !gsi_end_p (gsi); gsi_next (&gsi))
               analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
      }
      pop_cfun ();
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```


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      if (!gimple_has_body_p (node->decl) || node->clone_of)
           continue;
      push_cfun (DECL_STRUCT_FUNCTION (node->decl));
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               analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
      }
      pop_cfun ();
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```


Iterating over all the callgraph nodes

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               analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
      }
      pop_cfun ();
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```

Setting the current function in context

An Interprocedural Analysis Application

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```
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   gimple_stmt_iterator gsi;
   initialize_var_count ();
   for (node = cgraph_nodes; node; node=node->next) {
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      if (!gimple_has_body_p (node->decl) || node->clone_of)
           continue;
      push_cfun (DECL_STRUCT_FUNCTION (node->decl));
      FOR_EACH_BB (bb) {
          for (gsi=gsi_start_bb (bb); !gsi_end_p (gsi); gsi_next (&gsi))
               analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
      }
      pop_cfun ();
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```

Basic Block Iterator

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      if (!gimple_has_body_p (node->decl) || node->clone_of)
           continue;
      push_cfun (DECL_STRUCT_FUNCTION (node->decl));
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               analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
      }
      pop_cfun ();
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```

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      if (!gimple_has_body_p (node->decl) || node->clone_of)
           continue;
      push_cfun (DECL_STRUCT_FUNCTION (node->decl));
      FOR_EACH_BB (bb) {
          for (gsi=gsi_start_bb (bb); !gsi_end_p (gsi); gsi_next (&gsi))
               analyze_gimple_stmt (gsi_stmt (gsi));
      }
      pop_cfun ();
   }
   print_var_count ();
   return 0;
}
```


Resetting the function context

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```
static void
analyze_gimple_stmt (gimple stmt)
{
    if (is_gimple_assign (stmt))
    {
        tree lhsop = gimple_assign_lhs (stmt);
        tree rhsop1 = gimple_assign_rhs1 (stmt);
        tree rhsop2 = gimple_assign_rhs2 (stmt);
        /* Check if either LHS, RHS1 or RHS2 operands
           can be pointers. */
        if ((lhsop && is_pointer_var (lhsop)) ||
            (rhsop1 && is_pointer_var (rhsop1)) ||
            (rhsop2 && is_pointer_var (rhsop2)))
        {  if (dump_file)
                fprintf (dump_file, "Pointer Statement :");
            print_gimple_stmt (dump_file, stmt, 0, 0);
                num_ptr_stmts++;
        }
    }
}
```


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static void
analyze_gimple_stmt (gimple stmt)
{
    if (is_gimple_assign (stmt))
    {
        tree lhsop = gimple_assign_lhs (stmt);
        tree rhsop1 = gimple_assign_rhs1 (stmt);
        tree rhsop2 = gimple_assign_rhs2 (stmt);
        /* Check if either LHS, RHS1 or RHS2 operands
           can be pointers. */
        if ((lhsop && is_pointer_var (lhsop)) ||
            (rhsop1 && is_pointer_var (rhsop1)) ||
            (rhsop2 && is_pointer_var (rhsop2)))
        { if (dump_file)
                fprintf (dump_file, "Pointer Statement :");
            print_gimple_stmt (dump_file, stmt, 0, 0);
                num_ptr_stmts++;
        }
    }
}

Returns LHS of assignment statement

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         {  if (dump_file)
                  fprintf (dump_file, "Pointer Statement :");
             print_gimple_stmt (dump_file, stmt, 0, 0);
                  num_ptr_stmts++;
         }
    }
}
```

Returns first operand of RHS

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static void
analyze_gimple_stmt (gimple stmt)
{
    if (is_gimple_assign (stmt))
    {
         tree lhsop = gimple_assign_lhs (stmt);
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         tree rhsop2 = gimple_assign_rhs2 (stmt);
         /* Check if either LHS, RHS1 or RHS2 operands
            can be pointers. */
         if ((lhsop && is_pointer_var (lhsop)) ||
             (rhsop1 && is_pointer_var (rhsop1)) ||
             (rhsop2 && is_pointer_var (rhsop2)))
         {  if (dump_file)
                  fprintf (dump_file, "Pointer Statement :");
             print_gimple_stmt (dump_file, stmt, 0, 0);
                  num_ptr_stmts++;
         }
    }
}
```


Returns second operand of RHS

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    {
         tree lhsop = gimple_assign_lhs (stmt);
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         tree rhsop2 = gimple_assign_rhs2 (stmt);
         /* Check if either LHS, RHS1 or RHS2 operands
            can be pointers. */
         if ((lhsop && is_pointer_var (lhsop)) ||
             (rhsop1 && is_pointer_var (rhsop1)) ||
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         {  if (dump_file)
                  fprintf (dump_file, "Pointer Statement :");
             print_gimple_stmt (dump_file, stmt, 0, 0);
                  num_ptr_stmts++;
         }
    }
}
```

Pretty print the GIMPLE statement

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```
static bool
is_pointer_var (tree var)
{
    return is_pointer_type (TREE_TYPE (var));
}

static bool
is_pointer_type (tree type)
{
     if (POINTER_TYPE_P (type))
         return true;
     if (TREE_CODE (type) == ARRAY_TYPE)
         return is_pointer_var (TREE_TYPE (type));
     /* Return true if it is an aggregate type. */
     return AGGREGATE_TYPE_P (type);
}
```


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```
static bool
is_pointer_var (tree var)
{
    return is_pointer_type (TREE_TYPE (var));
}

static bool
is_pointer_type (tree type)
{
     if (POINTER_TYPE_P (type))
         return true;
     if (TREE_CODE (type) == ARRAY_TYPE)
         return is_pointer_var (TREE_TYPE (type));
     /* Return true if it is an aggregate type. */
     return AGGREGATE_TYPE_P (type);
}
```

Data type of the expression

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static bool
is_pointer_var (tree var)
{
    return is_pointer_type (TREE_TYPE (var));
}

static bool
is_pointer_type (tree type)
{
     if (POINTER_TYPE_P (type))
         return true;
     if (TREE_CODE (type) == ARRAY_TYPE)
         return is_pointer_var (TREE_TYPE (type));
     /* Return true if it is an aggregate type. */
     return AGGREGATE_TYPE_P (type);
}

Defines what kind of node it is

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Interprocedural Results

Number of Pointer Statements = 4

Observation:

- Information can be collected for all the functions in a single pass
- Better scope for optimizations

Part 4

An Overview of RTL

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Interprocedural Results

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What is RTL ?

RTL = Register Transfer Language

Assembly language for an abstract machine with infinite registers

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What is RTL ?

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Why RTL?

A lot of work in the back-end depends on RTL. Like,

- Low level optimizations like loop optimization, loop dependence, common subexpression elimination, etc
- Instruction scheduling
- Register Allocation
- Register Movement

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Why RTL?

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Why RTL?

For tasks such as those, RTL supports many low level features, like,

- Register classes
- Memory addressing modes
- Word sizes and types
- Compare and branch instructions
- Calling Conventions
- Bitfield operations

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Why RTL?

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The Dual Role of RTL

- For specifying machine descriptions
  Machine description constructs:
  - `define_insn`, `define_expand`, `match_operand`
- For representing program during compilation
  IR constructs
  - `insn`, `jump_insn`, `code_label`, `note`, `barrier`

This lecture focusses on RTL as an IR

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Part 5

An Internal View of RTL

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RTL Objects

- Types of RTL Objects
  - Expressions
  - Integers
  - Wide Integers
  - Strings
  - Vectors
- Internal representation of RTL Expressions
  - Expressions in RTX are represented as trees
  - A pointer to the C data structure for RTL is called `rtx`

RTL Objects

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RTX Codes

RTL Expressions are classified into RTX codes :

- Expression codes are names defined in rtl.def
- RTX codes are C enumeration constants
- Expression codes and their meanings are machine-independent
- Extract the code of a RTX with the macro `GET_CODE(x)`

RTX Codes

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RTL Classes

RTL expressions are divided into few classes, like:

- `RTX_UNARY : NEG, NOT, ABS`
- `RTX_BIN_ARITH : MINUS, DIV`
- `RTX_COMM_ARITH : PLUS, MULT`
- `RTX_OBJ : REG, MEM, SYMBOL_REF`
- `RTX_COMPARE : GE, LT`
- `RTX_TERNARY : IF_THEN_ELSE`
- `RTX_INSN : INSN, JUMP_INSN, CALL_INSN`
- `RTX_EXTRA : SET, USE`

RTL Classes

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RTX Codes

The RTX codes are defined in `rtl.def` using cpp macro call `DEF_RTL_EXPR`, like :

- `DEF_RTL_EXPR(INSN, "insn", "iuuBieie", RTX_INSN)`
- `DEF_RTL_EXPR(SET, "set", "ee", RTX_EXTRA)`
- `DEF_RTL_EXPR(PLUS, "plus", "ee", RTX_COMM_ARITH)`
- `DEF_RTL_EXPR(IF_THEN_ELSE, "if_then_else", "eee", RTX_TERNARY)`

The operands of the macro are :

- Internal name of the `rtx` used in C source. It's a tag in enumeration `enum rtx_code`
- name of the `rtx` in the external ASCII format
- Format string of the `rtx`, defined in `rtx_format[]`
- Class of the `rtx`

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RTX Codes

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RTX Formats

`DEF_RTL_EXPR(INSN, "insn", "iuuBieie", RTX_INSN)`

- `i` : Integer
- `u` : Integer representing a pointer
- `B` : Pointer to basic block
- `e` : Expression

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RTX Formats

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RTL statements

- RTL statements are instances of type `rtx`
- RTL insns contain embedded links
- Types of RTL insns :
  - `INSN` : Normal non-jumping instruction
  - `JUMP_INSN` : Conditional and unconditional jumps
  - `CALL_INSN` : Function calls
  - `CODE_LABEL`: Target label for JUMP_INSN
  - `BARRIER` : End of control Flow
  - `NOTE` : Debugging information

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RTL statements

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Basic RTL APIs

- `XEXP,XINT,XWINT,XSTR`
  - Example: `XINT(x,2)` accesses the 2nd operand of `rtx` x as an integer
  - Example: `XEXP(x,2)` accesses the same operand as an expression
- Any operand can be accessed as any type of RTX object
  - So operand accessor to be chosen based on the format string of the containing expression
- Special macros are available for Vector operands
  - `XVEC(exp,idx)` : Access the vector-pointer which is operand number idx in exp
  - `XVECLEN (exp, idx )` : Access the length (number of elements) in the vector which is in operand number idx in exp. This value is an int
  - `XVECEXP (exp, idx, eltnum )` : Access element number "eltnum" in the vector which is in operand number idx in exp. This value is an RTX

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Basic RTL APIs

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RTL Insns

- A function's code is a doubly linked chain of INSN objects
- Insns are `rtxs` with special code
- Each insn contains atleast 3 extra fields :
  - Unique id of the insn , accessed by `INSN_UID(i)`
  - `PREV_INSN(i) accesses the chain pointer to the INSN preceeding i`
  - `NEXT_INSN(i) accesses the chain pointer to the INSN succeeding i`
- The first insn is accessed by using `get_insns()`
- `The last insn is accessed by using get_last_insn()`

RTL Insns

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Part 6

Manipulating RTL IR

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Adding an RTL Pass

Similar to adding GIMPLE intraporcedural pass except for the following

- Use the data structure `struct rtl_opt_pass`
- Replace the first field `GIMPLE_PASS` by `RTL_PASS`

Adding an RTL Pass

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Sample Demo Program

Problem statement : Counting the number of SET objects in a basic block by adding a new RTL pass

- Add your new pass after `pass_expand`
- `new_rtl_pass_main` is the main function of the pass
- Iterate through different instructions in the doubly linked list of instructions and for each expression, call `eval_rtx(insn)` for that expression which recurse in the expression tree to find the set statements

Sample Demo Program

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Sample Demo Program

```
int new_rtl_pass_main(void){
   basic_block bb;
   rtx last,insn,opd1,opd2;
   int bbno,code,type;
   count = 0;
   for (insn=get_insns(), last=get_last_insn(),
           last=NEXT_INSN(last); insn!=last; insn=NEXT_INSN(insn))
   {    int is_insn;
        is_insn = INSN_P (insn);
        if(flag_dump_new_rtl_pass)
           print_rtl_single(dump_file,insn);
        code = GET_CODE(insn);
        if(code==NOTE){ ... }
        if(is_insn)
        {    rtx subexp = XEXP(insn,5);
             eval_rtx(subexp);
        }
   }
   ...
}
```


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Sample Demo Program

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Sample Demo Program

```
void eval_rtx(rtx exp)
{ rtx temp;
  int veclen,i,
  int rt_code = GET_CODE(exp);
  switch(rt_code)
  {   case SET:
       if(flag_dump_new_rtl_pass){
           fprintf(dump_file,"\nSet statement %d : \t",count+1);
           print_rtl_single(dump_file,exp);}
       count++; break;
     case PARALLEL:
       veclen = XVECLEN(exp, 0);
       for(i = 0; i < veclen; i++)
       {    temp = XVECEXP(exp, 0, i);
            eval_rtx(temp);
       }
       break;
     default: break;
  }
}
```


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Sample Demo Program

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