#### Lecture 17:

#### **Distinctness Analysis**

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Finding and Exploiting Parallelism with Data-Structure-Aware Static and Dynamic Analysis

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# Outline

- Introduction
- First-Class Data Structures
- DAEDALUS: Distinctness Analysis
- ICARUS: Incorporating Dynamic Checks

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Hot loop
```





••••	CPU 2	CPU 1	CPU 0
Parallelize the Loop?	Iteration 20	Iteration 10	Iteration 0
	Iteration 21	Iteration 11	Iteration 1
	Iteration 22	Iteration 12	Iteration 2

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```
items.parallelStream().forEach(it -> {
   Result r = it.analyze();
   synchronized (results) { // locking on shared Map
      results.put(it, r);
   }
});
```



Iteration 11

Iteration 2





- Human refactors by understanding *high-level invariants & semantics:* 
  - (Data Structure API) Key-value map insertions are commutative when accessing two *different* keys.
  - (Program invariant) Item.analyze() accesses only this.
  - (Program invariant) No element appears in list more than once.
- Could the compiler do this too?

# Could a Compiler Analysis Derive This?

• (Data Structure API) Key-value map insertions are commutative when accessing two *different* keys.



- Unlikely to derive commutativity from first principles without help
- Similarly, "no duplicate elements in list" is very difficult

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• DSLs separate *algorithm* and *implementation*!

Example: SQL



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```
UniqueList items = ...;
HashMap results = items.buildMap(it -> analyze(it));
pure Result analyze(Item it) {
    // can only access it and newly-allocated objects
    // ...
}
```

# Solution: Domain-Specific Languages?

- DSLs separate *algorithm* and *implementation*!
- But, not always applicable:
  - Legacy code: already exists (rewrite costs effort + risk)
  - *Mixed applications:* multiple kernels (DSL integration?)
  - DSLs with limitations: a program may not map cleanly onto DSL

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### Points-to Analysis of a Hash Map



# Points-to Analysis of a Hash Map: Problems

• **Problem 1:** All value slots in key-value map artificially merged into one points-to set

```
Key k1 = new Key(...);
Key k2 = new Key(...);
map.put(k1, v1);
map.put(k2, v2);
Value v = map.get(k); // pts-to set {v1, v2}
```

- Problem 2: Analysis will not reveal commutativity
  - Reordering operations produces a different heap (but Map.get() doesn't care)
- Problem 3: Analysis of implementation is not scalable

# Solution: First-Class Data Structures

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    Node n = new Node(key, value);
    n.next = slots[h];
    slots[h] = n;
}
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void HashMap.put(...)
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### Semantic Models: Conservative Behavior

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```
void HashMap.equals(Object o) {
  for (Entry e : this) {
    if (!e.value().equals(other.get(e.key())) {
      return false;
    }
    }
    return true;
}
```

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```
model void HashMap.equals(Object other) {
    // conservatively call `.equals()` on all items
    for (Key k : mapkeyiter this.m) {
        e.equals(e);
    }
    // likewise for `other`
    return unknown; // could be `true` or `false`
```

### First-Class Key-Value Maps

- **Key Idea:** provide key-value maps as new language-level object type
  - On the same level as arrays, or heap objects with fields

```
map := mapnew
value := mapget map, key
        mapput map, key, value value := iternext it
value := mapremove map, key
flag := mapprobe map, key
len := maplength map
```

it := mapkeyiter map flag := iterhasnext it

key := equivclass userkey

# Points-to Analysis of Maps

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p = new T(); q = new U(); p.f1 = q; q.f2 = p; x = p.f1.f2; > m = mapnew; > mapput m, p, q; > mapput m, q, p;



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FieldPointsTo(obj, field, pointee) :-
  Store(ptr, field, value),
  VarPointsTo(ptr, obj),
  VarPointsTo(value, pointee).
// Load
VarPointsTo(dest, pointee) :-
  Load(dest, ptr, field),
  VarPointsTo(ptr, obj),
  FieldPointsTo(obj, field, pointee).
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## Points-to Analysis of Maps: Lists

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- In analysis: lower list operations to map operations
  - A list is just a map indexed by integers!

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listput l, i, q;
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### Points-to Analysis of Maps: Lists

- Problem: Not all list operations are explicitly indexed
- Idea: provide a *primitive* for *"some unique index"*

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q = new U();
l = listnew;
listappend 1, p;
listappend 1, q;

p = new T();
q = new U();
l = mapnew;
idx1 = virtualindex 1;
mapput 1, idx1, p;
idx2 = virtualindex 1;
mapput 1, idx2, q;
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# Can We Parallelize This Program?

• Standard parallelizability analyses understand arrays with *affine indexing functions* 

Loop Parallelizability



- Problem: no closed-form expression for which n
- Use alias analysis?

```
for (Item it : items) {
   it.field = new T();
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 $\rightarrow$  Every iteration writes Item<sub>1</sub>.field



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#### Distinctness Analysis: Variable Distinctness

- Key Idea: annotate points-to edges to indicate additional non-aliasing
  - A variable is *distinct with respect to a loop* if its value in iteration *i* does not alias its value in iteration *j*, within a single loop instance



#### Distinctness on the Heap?

• Many programs preserve distinctness through the heap

```
for (...) {
   parent = new Parent(); Distinct
   parent.field = new Child();
   list.add(parent);
}
for (Parent p : list) {
   f(p.field); Distinct?
}
```

# Distinctness Analysis: Heap Distinctness

- Key Idea: annotate points-to edges to indicate additional non-aliasing
  - A *field* on a heap abstraction is distinct if, for each object instance in this abstraction, the field has a different pointer value.



• Similarly for map distinctness (handles lists too)

# Inferring Heap-Field Distinctness

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- A field on a heap abstraction is *distinct* if:
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    - The stored-to pointer is constant w.r.t. this loop.



### Using Heap-Field Distinctness

- A load result is distinct w.r.t. a loop if:
  - The loaded-from pointer is distinct w.r.t. this loop, AND
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  - Within-map distinctness: no two keys in a single map point to same value



### Distinctness Analysis in Detail: Assignment

- We actually compute NotDistinct as an analysis result
  - Meet-function at phi-nodes is *intersection* thus, natural implementation

```
NotDistinct(var, loop) :-
   Assign(instruction, var, from),
   NotDistinct(from, loop),
   LoopInContext(instruction, loop).
```

```
NotConstant(var, loop) :-
   Assign(instruction, var, from),
   NotConstant(from, loop),
   LoopInContext(instruction, loop).
```

#### Distinctness Analysis in Detail: Load + Store

- We can derive the inverted (not-distinct) forms from the more intuitive positive-polarity versions with help of DeMorgan's Law:
  - A field is *not distinct* if (i) more than one store writes to it, or (ii) for any store, for any loop in context, stored value is not-distinct *and* pointer is not-constant

```
FieldNotDistinct(obj, field) :-
   Store(instruction1, ptr1, value),
   VarPointsTo(ptr1, obj),
   Store(instruction2, ptr2, value),
   VarPointsTo(ptr2, obj),
   instruction1 != instruction2.
FieldNotDistinct(obj, field) :-
   Store(instruction, ptr, value),
   LoopInContext(instruction, loop),
   VarNotDistinct(value, loop),
   VarNotConstant(ptr, loop).
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  - A load result is *not distinct* if (i) it reads from abstractions with overlapping field points-to sets, or (ii) the field is not-distinct on any pointed-to abstraction, or (iii) the pointer is not-distinct.

```
VarNotDistinct(dest, loop) :-
Load(inst, ptr, field, dest),
VarPointsTo(ptr, obj),
FieldNotDistinct(obj, field),
LoopInContext(inst, loop).
VarNotDistinct(dest, loop) :-
Load(inst, ptr, field, dest),
VarNotDistinct(ptr, loop).
```

#### Distinctness Analysis in Detail: Map Store

```
MapNotDistinct(mapobj, keyobj), MapNotDistinctWithinMap(mapobj, keyobj) :-
  MapStore(inst1, map1, key1, dest1),
  VarPointsTo(map1, mapobj),
  VarPointsTo(key1, keyobj),
  MapStore(inst2, map2, key2, dest2),
  VarPointsTo(map2, mapobj),
  VarPointsTo(key2, keyobj),
  inst1 != inst2.
MapNotDistinct(mapobj, keyobj) :-
  MapStore(inst, map, key, dest),
  VarPointsTo(map, mapobj),
  VarPointsTo(key, keyobj),
  VarNotDistinct(dest, loop),
  (VarNotConstant(map, loop); VarNotConstant(key, loop)).
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  VarPointsTo(map, mapobj),
  VarPointsTo(key, keyobj),
  VarNotDistinct(dest, loop),
  VarNotConstant(key, loop).
```

#### Distinctness Analysis in Detail: Map Load

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#### Example: Distinctness in Action

for (int i = 0; i < 100; i++)	Integer induction variable distinct
list.add(i);	List elements are distinct
for (Integer i : list)	Parent instance is distinct
<pre>map.put(i, new Parent());</pre>	Map values are globally distinct
<pre>for (Integer i : map.keyset())</pre>	is distinct (map key iter value)
<pre>map.get(i).childPtr = new Child();-</pre>	map.get(i) is distinct
	Child instance is distinct
	childPtr is field-distinct
for (Integer i : list)	is distinct (from list)
<pre>map.get(i).childPtr.field = i;</pre>	<pre>map.get(i) is distinct</pre>
	<pre>map.get(i).childPtr is distinct</pre>
	Store to <b>field</b> is parallelizable

# Side-Effect Analysis for Parallelization

• When can we parallelize a loop L?

```
L: for (Item it : items) {
    it.field = new T();
  }
```



- For each written-to location (abstraction.field or map[key]):
  - Every written-to pointer to this location is *distinct* w.r.t. L
  - All of the written-to pointers (if > 1) alias each other (*same* distinct object)
- See thesis for: must-alias analysis; map/list side-effects + commutativity; locking

# Evaluation: Methodology

- Analyses
  - Our system: DAEDALUS (Data-structure-aware Distinctness Analysis)
  - Baseline: standard array-based parallelization analysis
- Java Benchmark suites
  - dacapo: Well-known benchmark suite of full programs
  - olden: Small data-structure-intensive programs
  - pbbs: Problem-Based Benchmark Suite
  - cpu: "CPU-intensive" programs compilers, simulators, ...
- Simulation-based performance results

# Evaluation: Parallelization Coverage (High Opp.)



### **Evaluation: Parallel Speed-ups**

Parallelization Speedup, 4 Cores



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# Is Static Analysis Enough?

• Consider the following snippet:

```
List<Item> 1 = ...;
for (Item it : input) {
    if (!it.seen) {
        l.add(it);
        it.seen = true;
    }
    for (Item it : 1) { f(it); } → Parallelizable
```

- Are 1's elements distinct?
- Could we parallelize the second loop?

#### Simple Dynamic Checks

• What if we check, then we parallelize only if safe, at runtime?

```
List<Item> 1 = ...;
// ...
if (distinct(1)) {
    l.parallelStream().forEach(it -> f(it));
} else {
    for (Item it : 1) { f(it); }
}
```

# Systematically Leveraging Dynamic Checks

- Goal: insert minimal set of checks while maximizing parallelized loops
- Key Idea: extend static-analysis rules in a systematic way
  - Step 1. Compute possible distinctness
  - Step 2. Evaluate parallelization; choose actually-needed dynamic possibilities
  - Step 3. Propagate needed distinctness backward to choose check sites.

# Systematically Leveraging Dynamic Checks

```
void add(Item it) {
                                add(): it
                                                                      process(): it
                                                  List
                                                  (element)
   if (!it.seen) {
     list.add(it);
                                                                         R_{3}
     it.seen = true; }}
                                                                      compute(): it
void process() {
                                                    metadata
→ for (Item it : list) {
                                                    (within-map)
     it.result = compute(it); }}
                                                                      compute(): m
int compute(Item it) {
   Metadata m = metadata.get(it);
                                                                    Goal (to parallelize loop)
   m.update();
                                              Distinctness fact
   return m.result(); }
                                              Rule application
```

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# Executing with Dynamic Checks

- If checks always succeed, we're done!
- What if a check fails?

for (...) {
 p = ...;
 p.f = ...;
}



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• Key Idea: pause at the check & wait for prior iters  $\rightarrow$  no rollback!

# Dynamic Heap-Distinctness Checks

- How do we dynamically check *field distinctness*?
  - Prohibitive to check directly: iterate over all objects on heap...?
- Key Idea: maintain a non-distinct bit on pointer fields with checks

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Pointer word Pointer (63 bits)

- Update on store if containing loop has had a failed check
- Check on load and serialize on failure (as for variable checks)



## Sequencing the Checks

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• Key Idea: Check waits for the "check completion point" of prior iteration

# Evaluation: Methodology

- Analyses
  - ICARUS (Integrated Compiler and Runtime with User-level Semantics)
  - DAEDALUS
  - Standard array-based baseline
- Simulation-based performance results
  - New traces w.r.t. DAEDALUS evaluation (to incorporate values for checks)

#### **Evaluation:** Parallelization Coverage





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# Evaluation: Discussion

- Significant *opportunity* with Daedalus, improved under Icarus
- Additional speedup will require:
  - Heuristics to choose the most appropriate loops to parallelize
  - Effective means of parallelizing small-iteration loops
- Our focus in this work was on *analysis*; backend engineering is very important, but separate work (with many interesting problems)

## Summary

- *Data-structure-aware* analysis framework
  - First-class primitives for key-value maps and lists
- DAEDALUS: New loop-centric, simple alias analysis using *distinctness* 
  - Analyzes cross-loop-iteration and on-heap pointer aliasing
- ICARUS: Hybrid dynamic-static analysis approach to improve precision
  - Systematic method of deriving hybrid analysis from static analysis rules
  - Execution techniques to enable loop parallelization with dynamic checks

## Future Directions

- Additional IR primitives / built-ins
  - Can we build, e.g., a graph-aware analysis?
  - Primitives for queries/updates (dataflow) and *traversals* (control flow)
- Generalize the hybrid dynamic-static scheme
  - Where else can we make use of dynamic checks for better precision?
  - Need to think about execution strategy
- Apply to systems languages: C/C++
  - Can we apply the same ideas to a more complex heap model?
  - Pointers to inner data structures & pointer arithmetic; value types; ...
- More scalable analysis
  - Can we build a distinctness-like analysis on top of a more scalable foundation?
  - Avoid e.g. blowup in contexts (with function summaries) or heap abstractions (with careful merging)
- Use parts of our infrastructure in your project!
  - Datalog is a *really productive* way to build static analyses

### Thanks! Questions?