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#### Outline

• Simple loop transformations

Loop invariants based transformations

Induction variables based transformations

Complex loop transformations

## Simple loop transformations

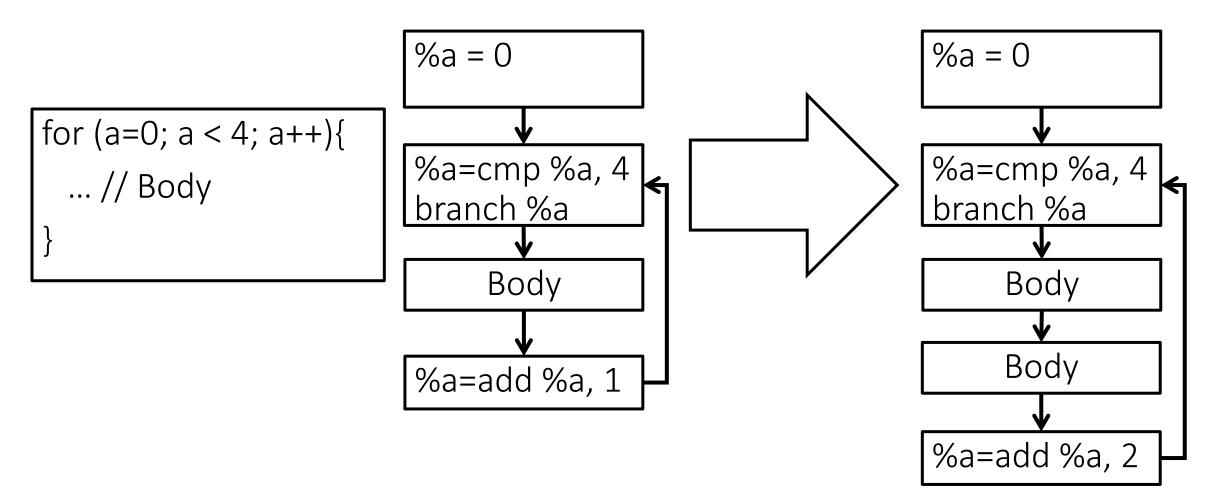
Simple loop transformations are used to

• Increase performance/energy savings

and/or

- Unblock other transformations
  - E.g., increase the number of constant propagations
  - E.g., Extract thread-level parallelism from sequential code
  - E.g., Generate vector instructions

#### Loop unrolling



#### Loop unrolling in LLVM: requirements

• The loop you want to unroll must be in LCSSA form

#### Loop unrolling in LLVM: dependences

void getAnalysisUsage(AnalysisUsage &AU) const override {
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 AU.addRequired<LoopInfoWrapperPass>();
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 AU.addRequired<TargetTransformInfoWrapperPass>();

#### Loop unrolling in LLVM: headers

#include "llvm/Analysis/OptimizationRemarkEmitter.h"
#include "llvm/IR/Dominators.h"
#include "llvm/Transforms/Utils/LoopUtils.h"
#include "llvm/Transforms/Utils/UnrollLoop.h"
#include "llvm/Analysis/AssumptionCache.h"
#include "llvm/Analysis/ScalarEvolution.h"
#include "llvm/Analysis/ScalarEvolutionExpressions.h"
#include "llvm/Analysis/TargetTransformInfo.h"

#### Loop unrolling in LLVM

Get the results of the required analyses

auto& LI = getAnalysis<LoopInfoWrapperPass>().getLoopInfo(); auto& DT = getAnalysis<DominatorTreeWrapperPass>().getDomTree(); auto& SE = getAnalysis<ScalarEvolutionWrapperPass>().getSE(); auto& AC = getAnalysis<AssumptionCacheTracker>().getAssumptionCache(F); const auto &TTI = getAnalysis<TargetTransformInfoWrapperPass>().getTTI(F);

## Fetch a loop

for (au			
auto	Loop	= &	*1;
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## Loop unrolling in LLVM: API

#### Unrolling factor

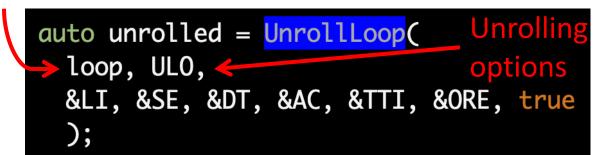
#### UnrollLoopOptions ULO,

ULO.Count = 2; ULO.Force = false; ULO.Runtime = false; ULO.AllowExpensiveTripCount = true; ULO.UnrollRemainder = false; ULO.ForgetAllSCEV = true; auto tripCount = SE.getSmallConstantTripCount(loop);

It is 0, or the number of iterations per invocation

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Loop to unroll



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#### Loop unrolling in LLVM: result

auto unrolled = UnrollLoop(
 loop, ULO,
 &LI, &SE, &DT, &AC, &TTI, &ORE, true
 );

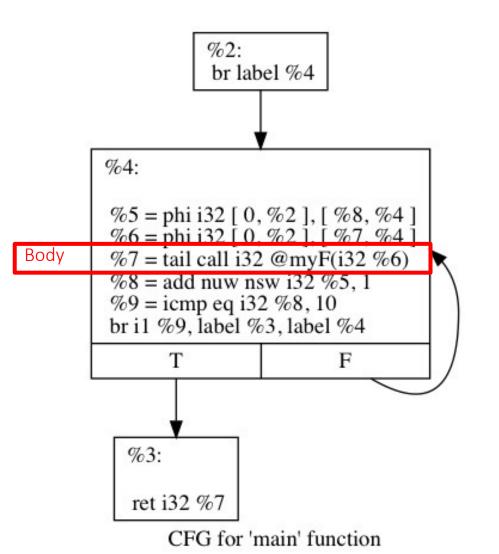
switch (unrolled){
 case LoopUnrollResult::FullyUnrolled :
 errs() << " Fully unrolled\n";
 return true ;</pre>

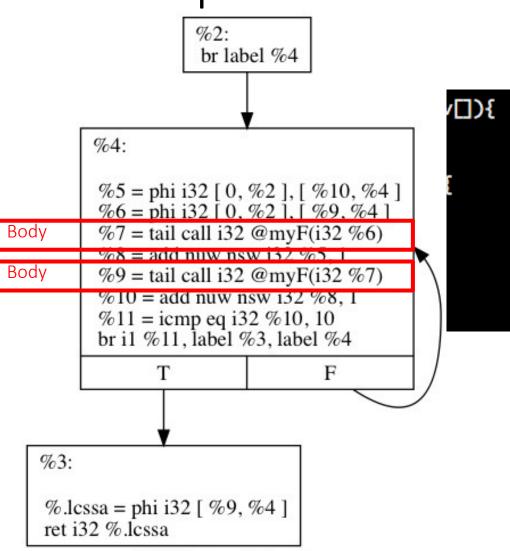
case LoopUnrollResult::PartiallyUnrolled :
 errs() << " Partially unrolled\n";
 return true ;</pre>

case LoopUnrollResult::Unmodified :
 errs() << " Not unrolled\n";
 break ;</pre>

default:
 abort();

#### Loop unrolling in LLVM: example

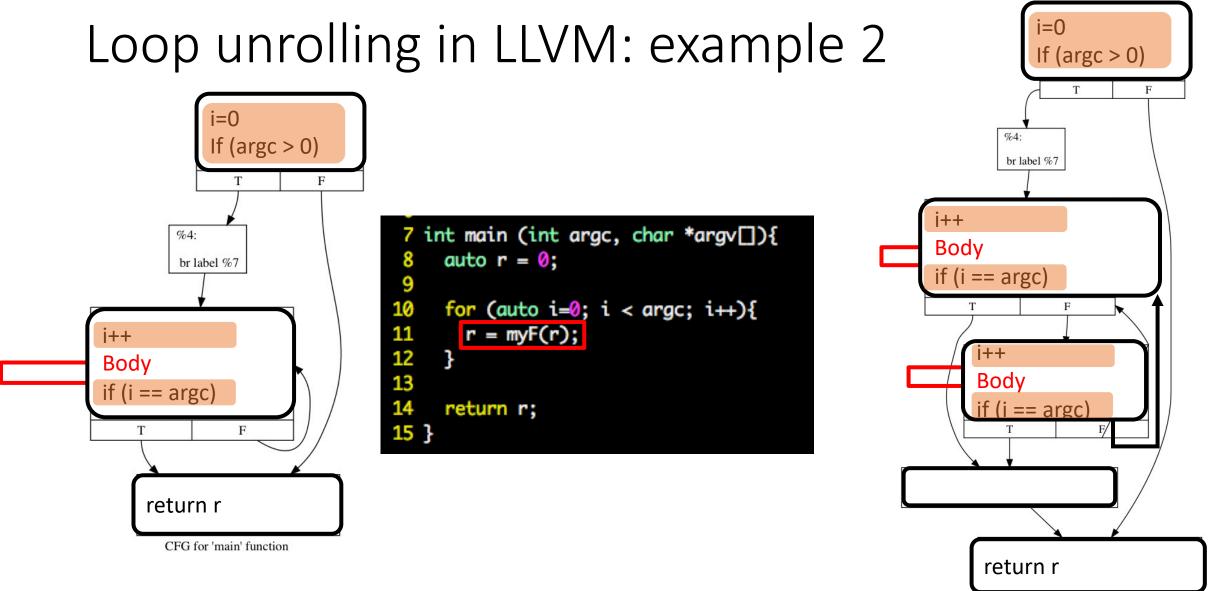




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#### Loop unrolling in LLVM: Demo

- Detail: Loops/README
- Pass: Loops/llvm/7
- C program: Loops/code/12
- C program: Loops/code/0

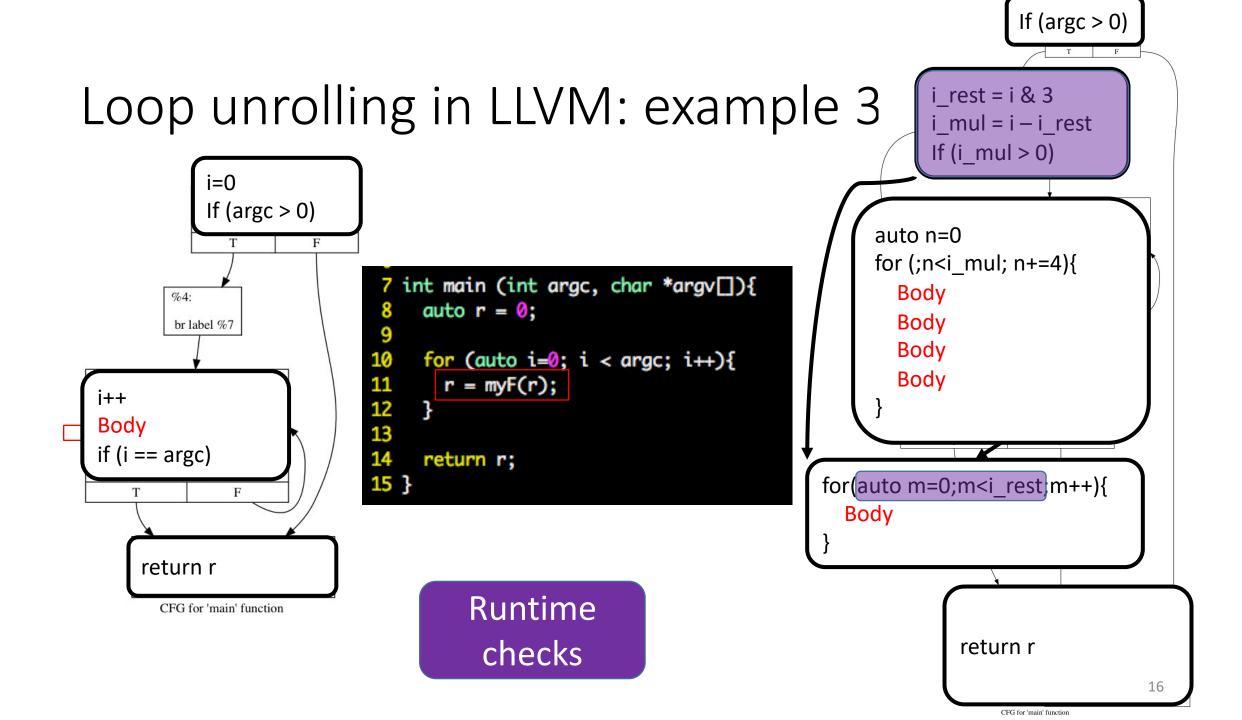


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#### There is still the same amount of loop overhead!

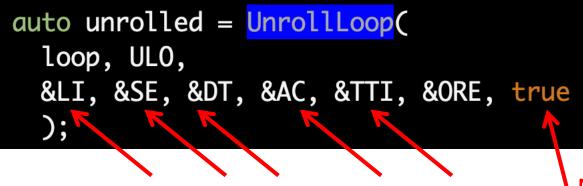
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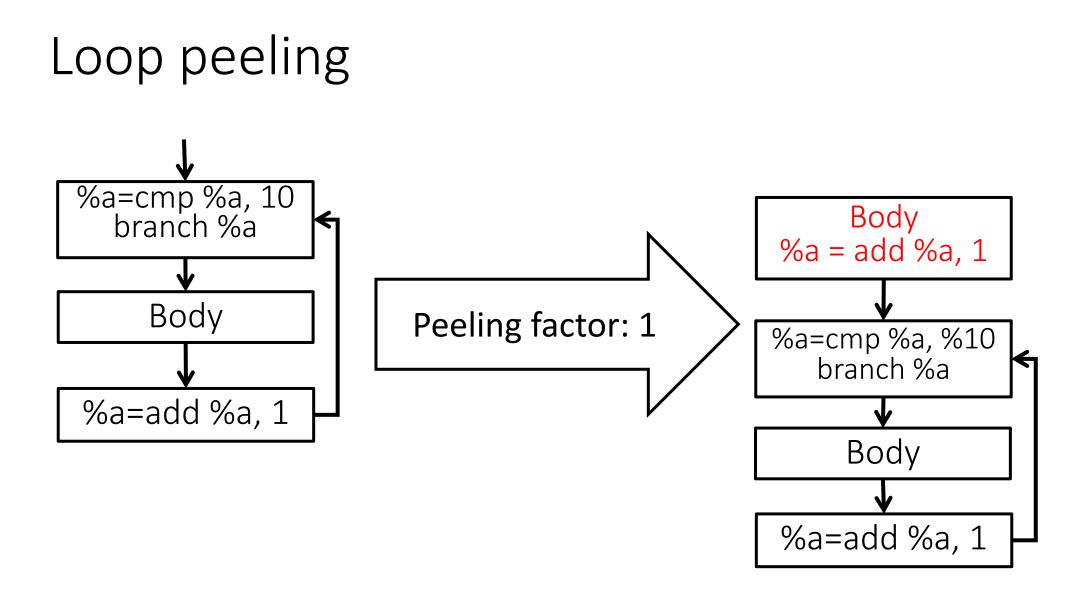
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OptimizationRemarkEmitter ORE(&F);

Normalize the generated loop to LCSSA



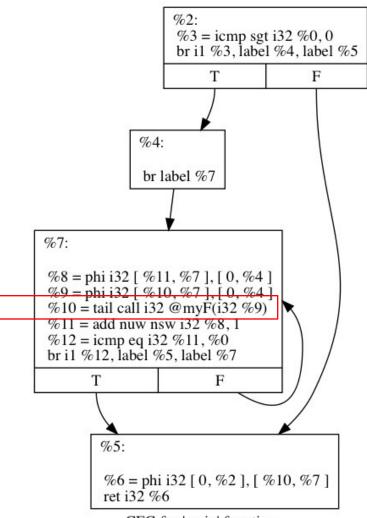
## Loop peeling in LLVM

• API #include "llvm/Transforms/Utils/LoopPeel.h"

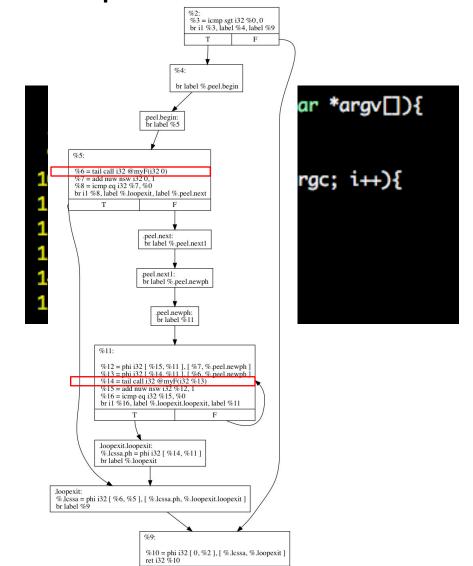
auto peeled = peelLoop(
 loop, peelingCount,
 &LI, &SE, &DT, &AC,
 true);

- No trip count
- No flags
- (almost) always possible
- To check if you can peel, invoke the following API: bool canPeel(Loop \*loop)

#### Loop peeling in LLVM: example









# Fetching analyses outputs from a module pass

#### • From a function pass

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### Optimizations in small, hot loops

- Most programs: 90% of time is spent in few, small, hot loops while (){
  - statement 1
  - statement 2

```
statement 3
```

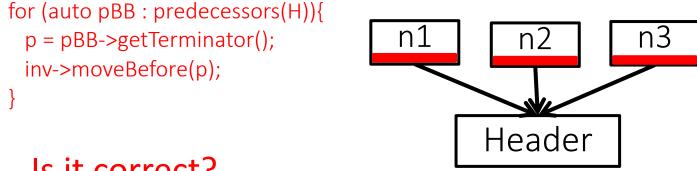
- }
- Deleting a single statement from a small, hot loop might have a big impact (100 seconds -> 70 seconds)

#### Loop example 1: if (N > 5){ k = 1; z = 4;} 2: else {k = 2; z = 3;} do { 3: a = 1; 4: y = x + N; 5: b = k + z;6: c = a \* 3; 7: if (N < 0){ 8: m = 5; 9: break; 10: x++; 11:} while (x < N);

- **Observation**: each statement in that loop will contribute to the program execution time
- Idea: what about moving statements from inside a loop to outside it?
- Which statements can be moved outside our loop?
- How to identify them automatically? (code analysis)
- How to move them? (code transformation)

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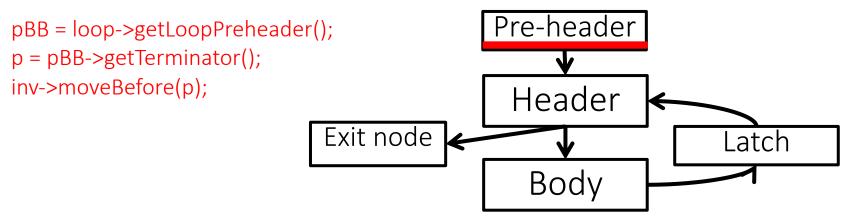


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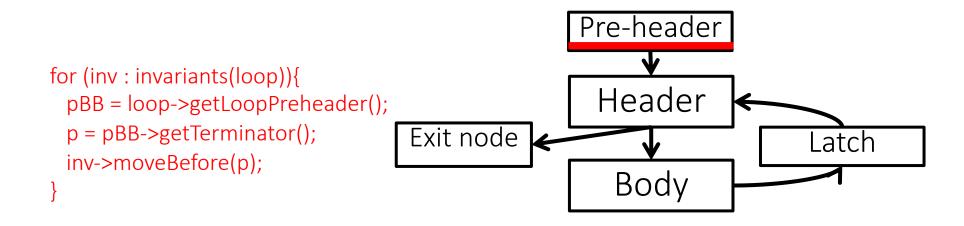
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#### Can we hoist all invariant instructions of a loop L in the pre-header of L?

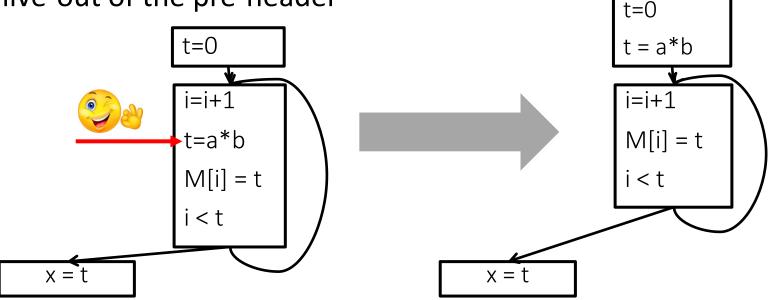


#### Loop invariant code motion

• For a loop-invariant definition

(d) t = x op y

- Assuming no SSA, we can hoist d into the loop's pre-header if
  - 1. d dominates all loop exits at which t is live-out, and
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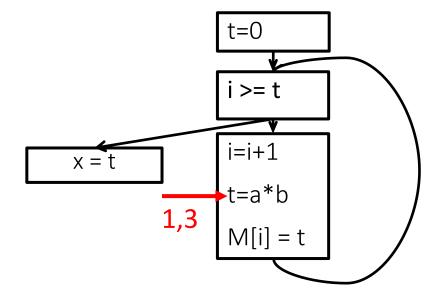
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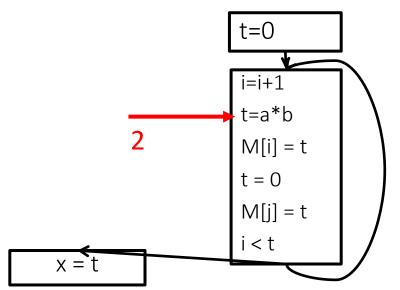


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- (d) t = load X
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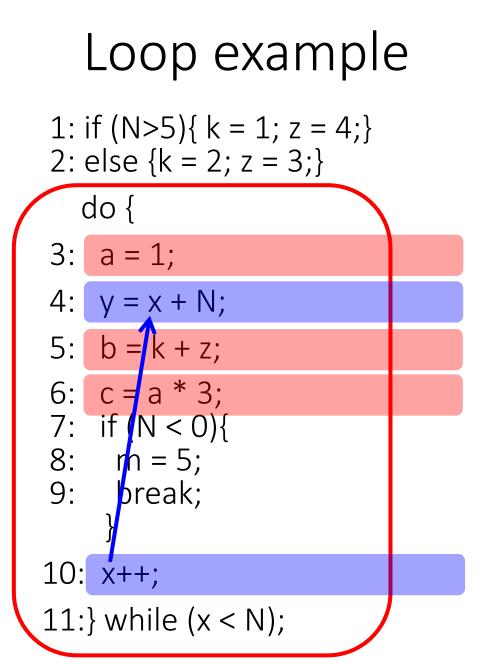
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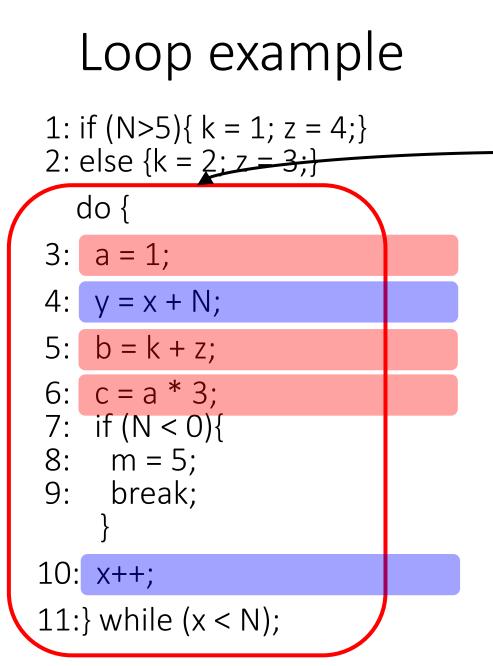
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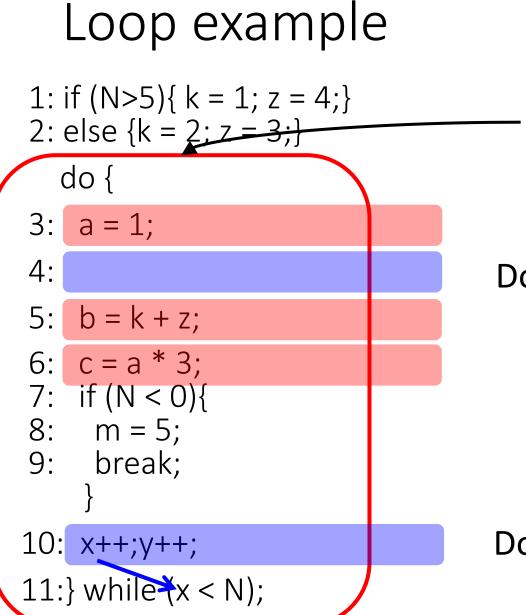


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Compute manually values of x and y for every iteration What do you see?

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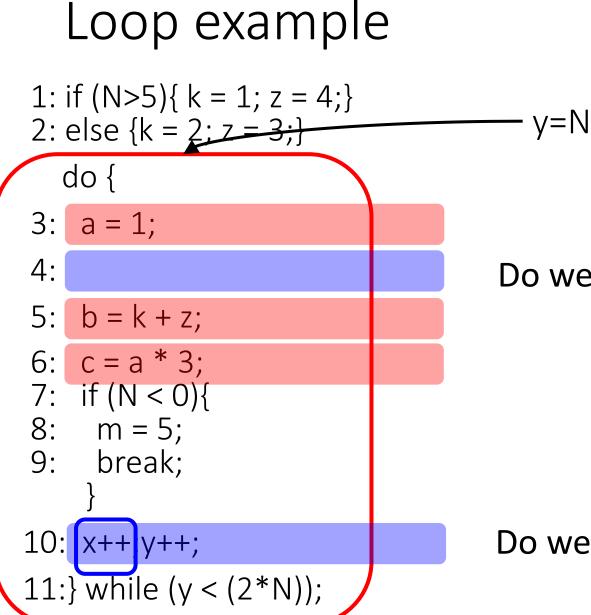
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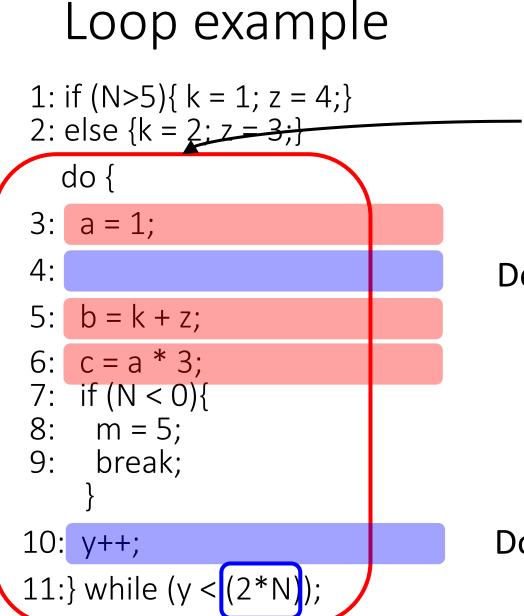
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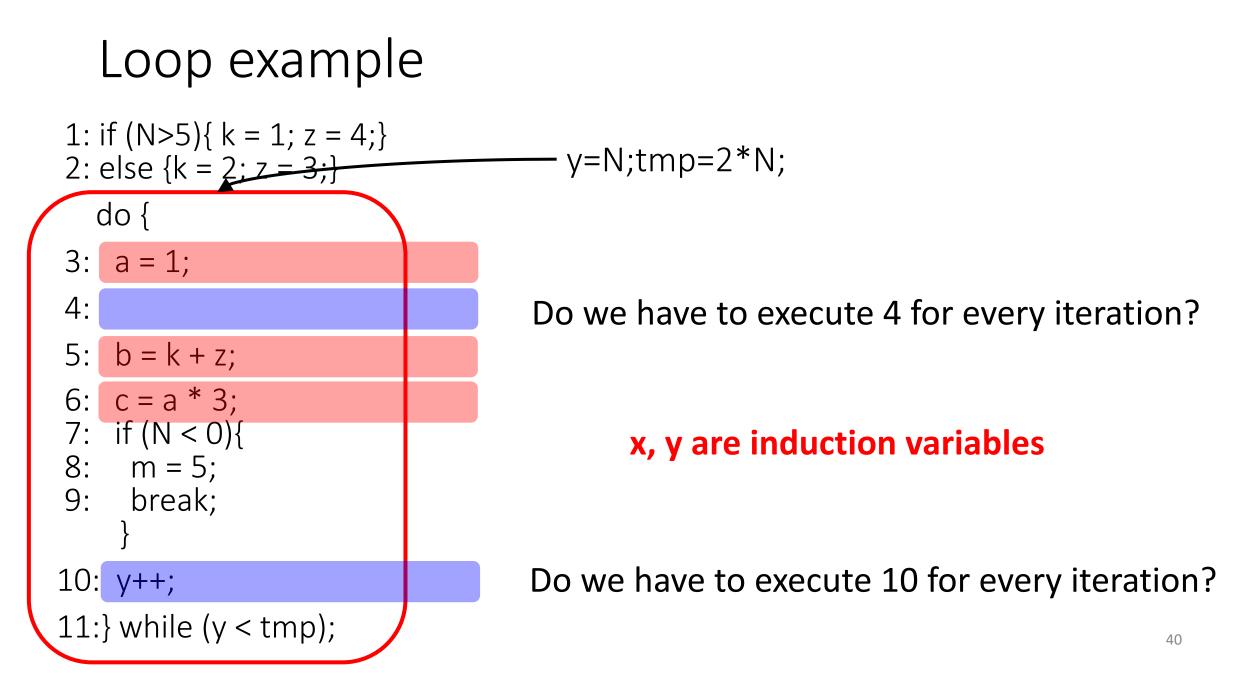
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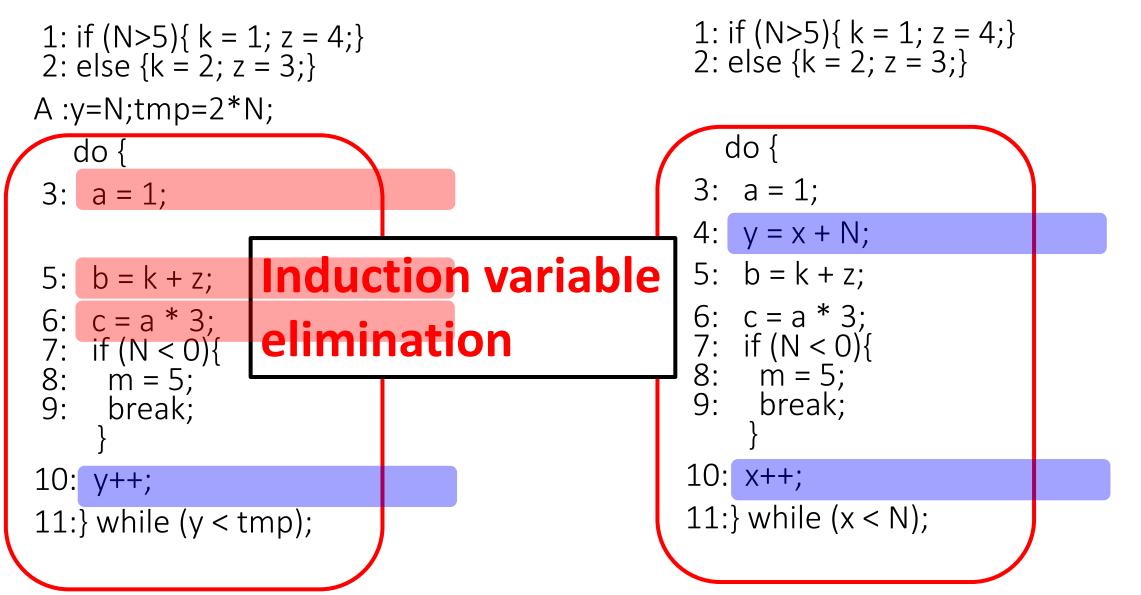
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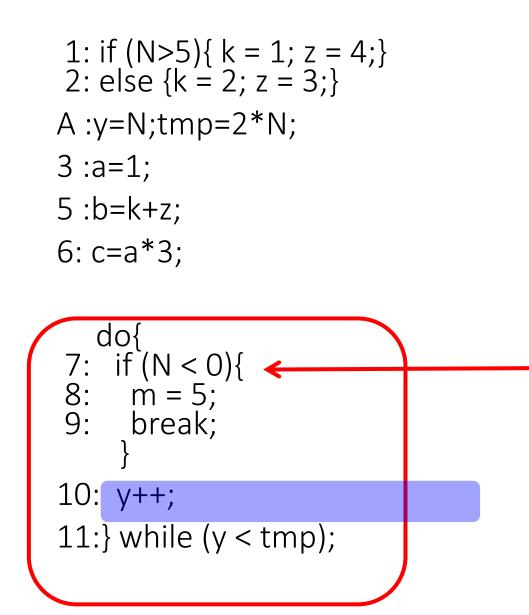
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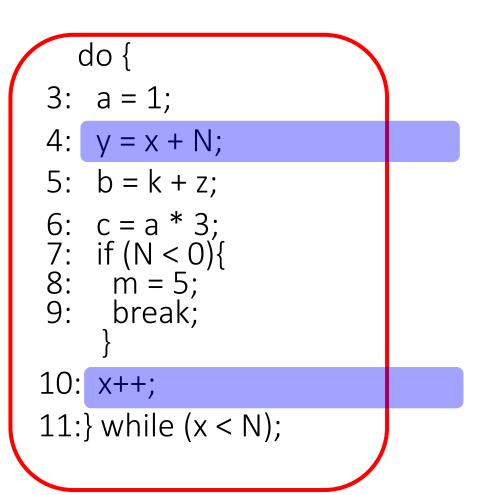
## Is the code transformation worth it?



### ... and after Loop Invariant Code Motion ...



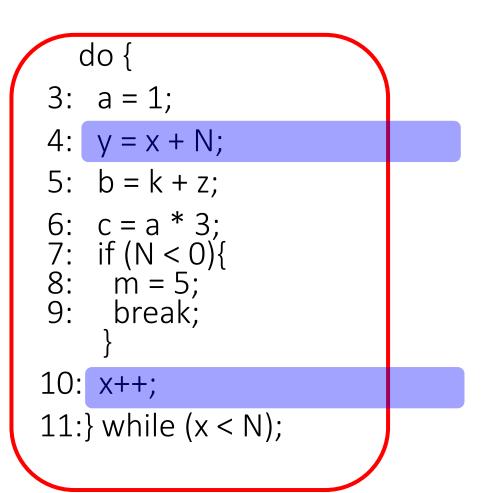
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### ... and with a better Loop Invariant Code Motion ...

1: if (N > 5){ k = 1; z = 4;} 2: else {k = 2; z = 3;} A :y=N;tmp=2\*N; 3 :a=1; 5 :b=k+z; 6: c=a\*3; 7: if (N < 0){ 8: m=5; do{ 10: y++; 11:} while (y < tmp);

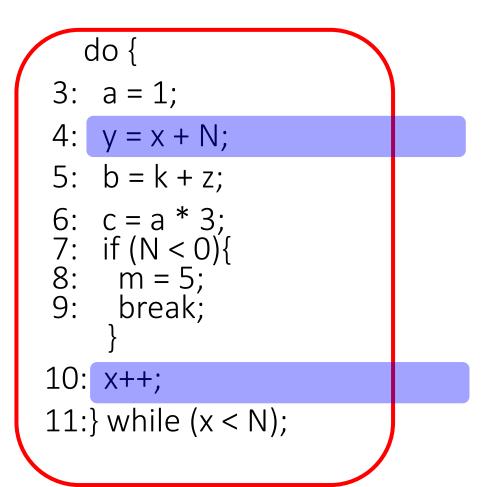
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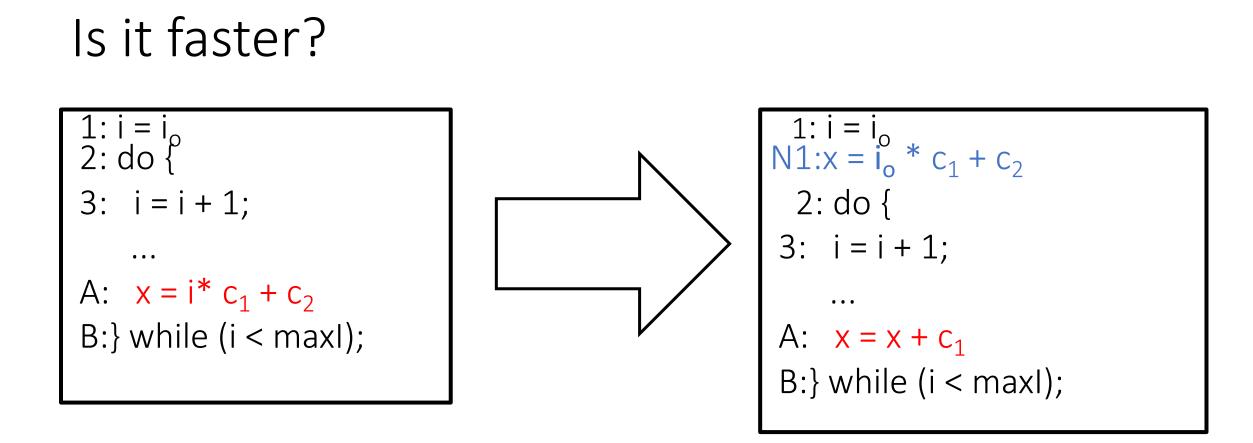
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### Induction variable elimination

- Suppose we have a loop variable
  - i initially set to  $i_0$ ; each iteration i = i + 1
- and a variable that linearly depends on it
- x = i \* c<sub>1</sub> + c<sub>2</sub>
  Loop invariants
  - Initialize  $x = i_0 * c_1 + c_2$
  - Increment x by c<sub>1</sub> each iteration



On some hardware, adds are faster than multiplies

• Strength reduction

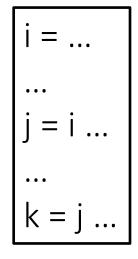
### Induction variable elimination: step 1

Run induction variable identification

1 Iterate over IVs k = j \* c1 + c2

- where the IV j =(i, a, b), and
- this is the only def of k in the loop, and
- there is no def of i between the def of j and the def of k

(2) Record as 
$$k = (i, a*c1, b*c1+c2)$$



### Induction variable elimination: step 2

For an induction variable k = (i, c1, c2)1 Initialize k = i \* c1 + c2 in the pre-header

(2) Replace k's def in the loop by k = k + c1

• Make sure to do this after i's definition

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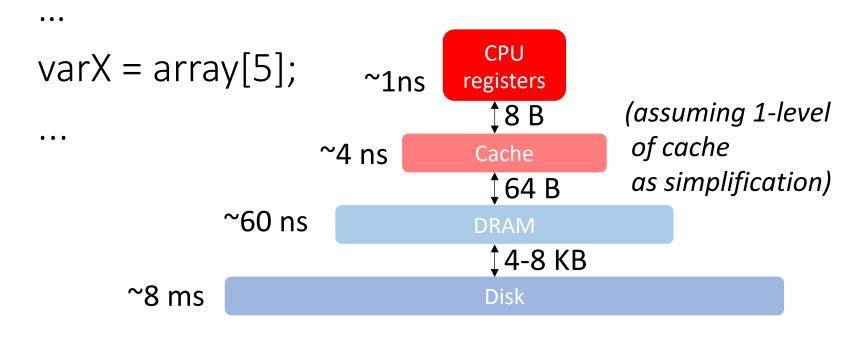
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### Loop transformations

- Restructure a loop to expose more optimization opportunities and/or transform the "loop overhead"
  - Loop unrolling, loop peeling, ...
- Reorganize a loop to improve memory utilization
  - Cache blocking, skewing, loop reversal
- Distribute a loop over cores/processors
  - DOACROSS, DOALL, DSWP, HELIX

## Loop transformations for memory optimizations

• How many clock cycles will it take?



# Goal: improve cache performance

### • Temporal locality

A resource that has just been referenced will more likely be referenced again in the near future

### Spatial locality

The likelihood of referencing a resource is higher if a resource near it was just referenced

- Ideally, a compiler generates code with high temporal and spatial locality for the target architecture
  - What to minimize: bad replacement decisions

## What a compiler can do

- Time:
  - When is an object accessed?
- Space:
  - Where does an object exist in the address space?
  - What is the data layout of an object in memory?

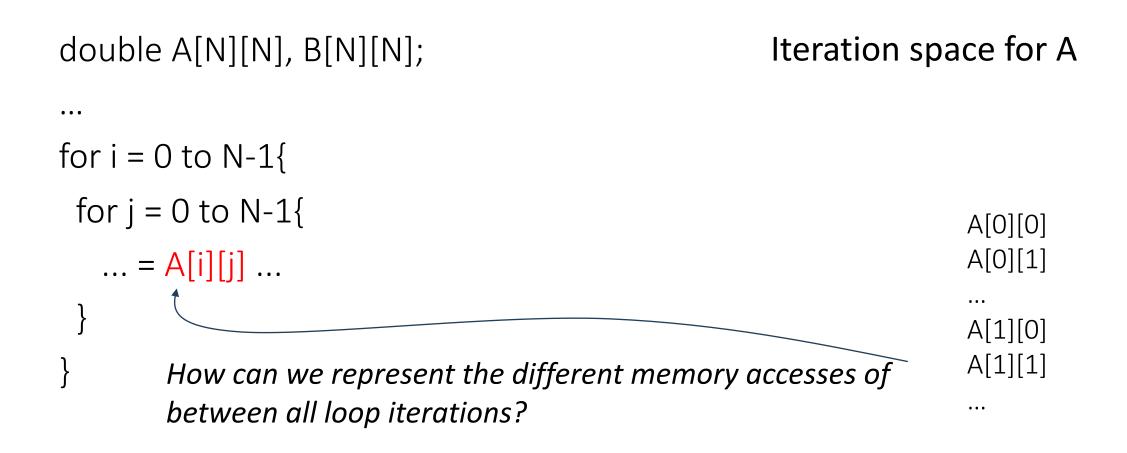
• These are the two "knobs" a compiler can manipulate

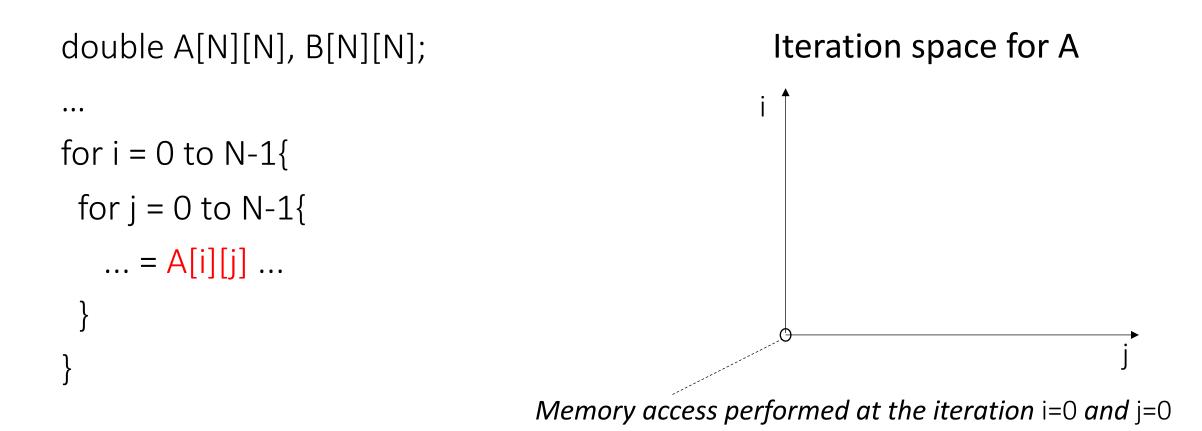
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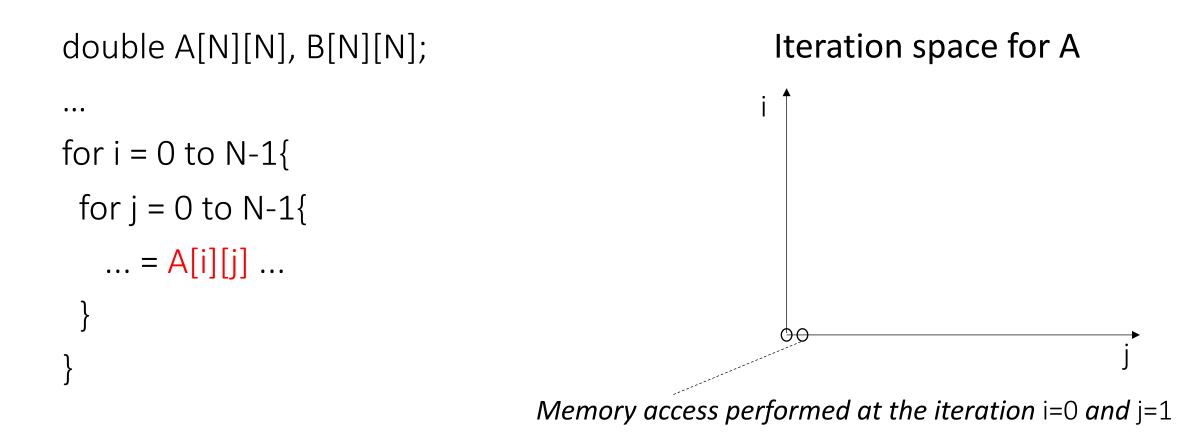
- When do cache misses occur?
  - Use locality analysis
- Can we change the visitation order to produce better behavior?
  - Evaluate costs
- Does the new visitation order still produce correct results?
  - Use dependence analysis

## ... and then rely on loop transformations

- loop interchange
- cache blocking
- loop fusion
- loop reversal
- .







```
double A[N][N], B[N][N];
```

```
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... = A[i][j] ...
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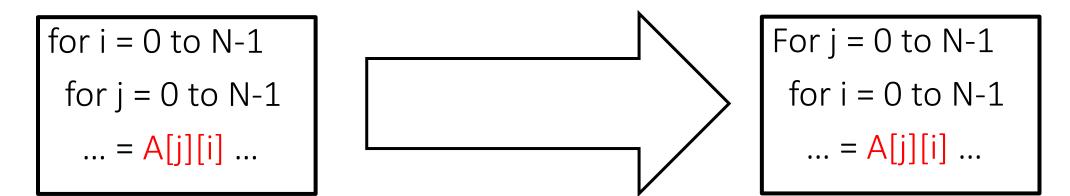
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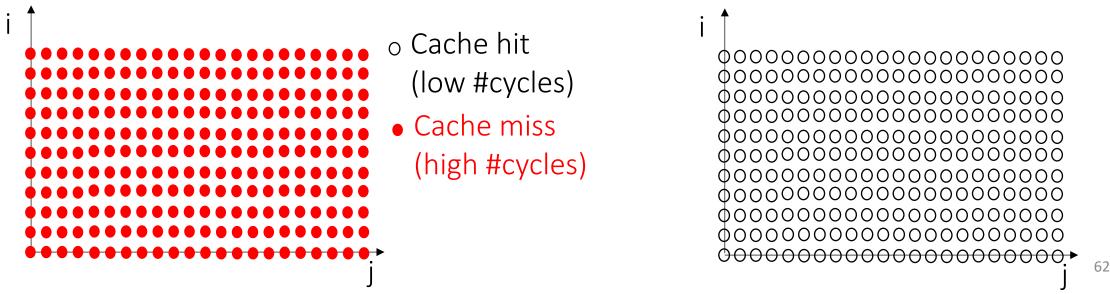
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for i = 0 to N-1
for j = 0 to N-1
... = A[j][i] ...
```

Assumptions: N is large; A is row-major; 8 elements per cache line

- o Cache hit
  - (low #cycles)
- Cache miss (high #cycles)



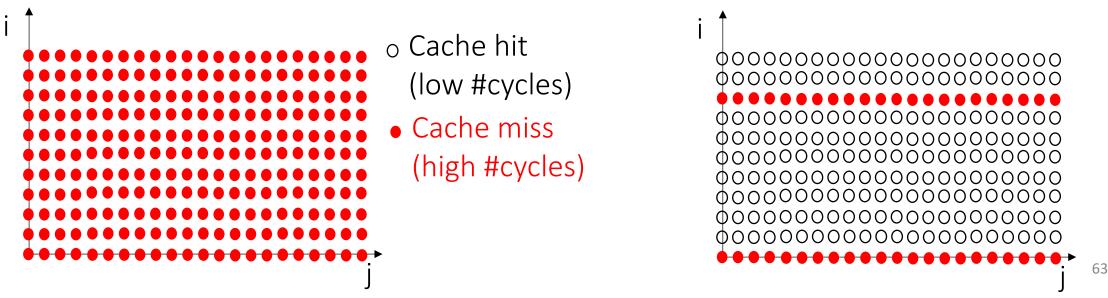
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## Java (similar in C)

To create a matrix:

double [][] A = new double[3][3];

A is an array of arrays A is not a 2 dimensional array!

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# Java (similar in C)

To create a matrix:

double [][] A = new double[3][];

A[0] = new double[10];

A[1] = new double[5];

A[2] = new double[42];

A is a jagged array

# C#: [][] vs. [,]

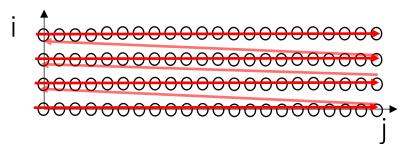
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double [,] A = new double[3,3];

The compiler can easily choose between raw-major vs. column-major

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
 2
 \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} int main \sqrt{2}
 4
     int a[2][4];
 5
 6
     printf("0x%p\n", &a[0][0]);
 7
     printf("0x%p\n", &a[0][1]);
 8
     printf(" Distance: %d bytes\n", ((unsigned int)(&a[0][1])) - ((unsigned int)(&a[0][0])));
 9
10
     printf("0x%p\n", &a[0][0]);
11
     printf("0x%p\n", &a[1][0]);
12
     printf(" Distance: %d bytes\n", ((unsigned int)(&a[1][0])) - ((unsigned int)(&a[0][0])));
13
14
     return 0;
15 }
```

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for i = 0 to N-1
for j = 0 to N-1
f(A[i], A[j])
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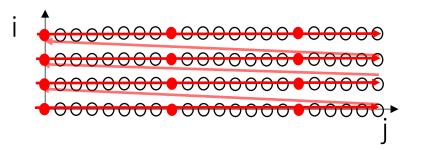


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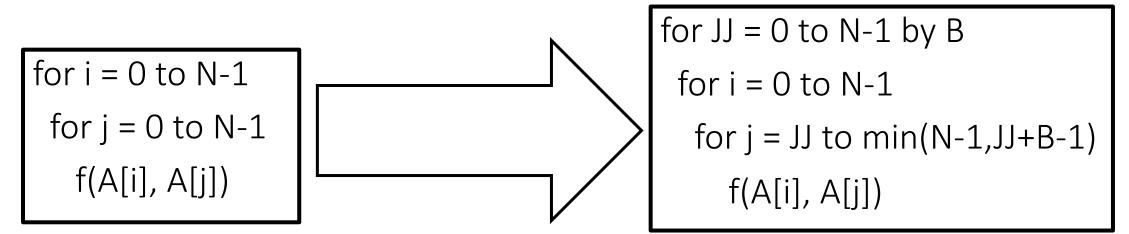
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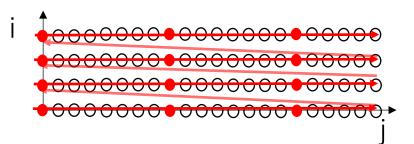
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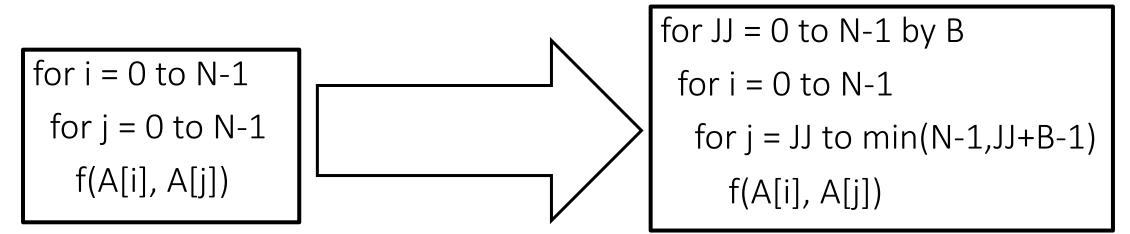


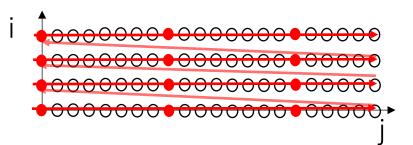
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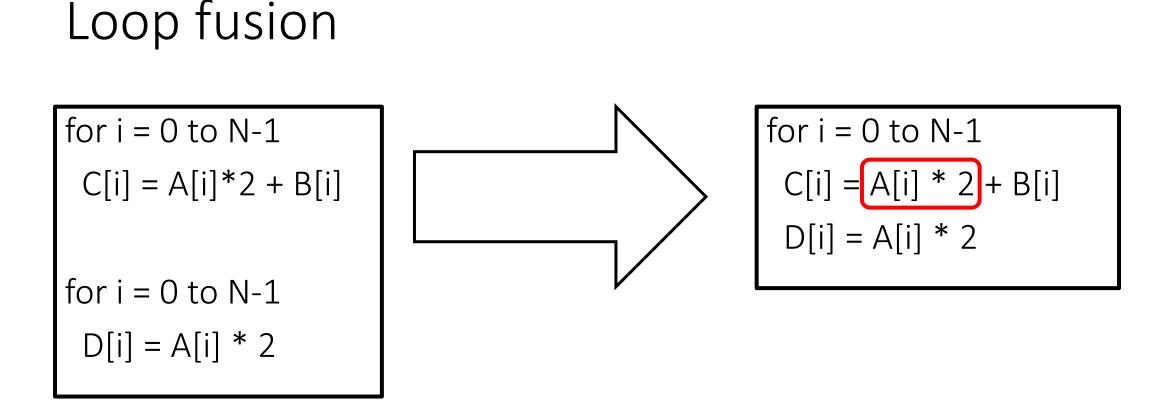


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- Reduce loop overhead
- Improve locality by combining loops that reference the same array
- Increase the granularity of work done in a loop

### Loop transformations

- They manipulate the order of memory accesses
- They can change both temporal and spatial localities
- They can enable or disable parallelism

Always have faith in your ability

Success will come your way eventually

**Best of luck!**