

ADVANCING COMPILER OPTIMIZATIONS FOR GENERAL-PURPOSE & DOMAIN-SPECIFIC PARALLEL ARCHITECTURES

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Disruption in Computer Hardware

- **Transistor scaling is reaching its limits (7nm today)**
 - Leading to the end of Moore's law

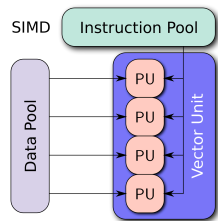
General-Purpose Parallel Architectures



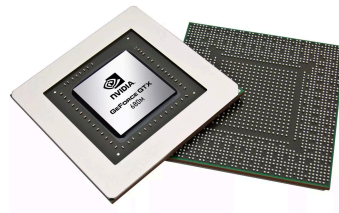
Multi-core CPUs



Many-core CPUs

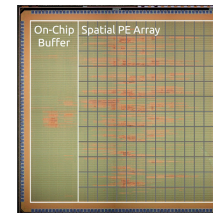


SIMD



GPGPUs

Domain-specific Parallel Architectures



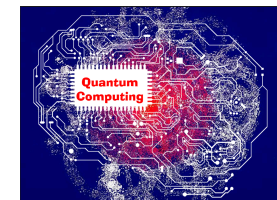
Spatial accelerators



Specialized SIMD



Thread Migratory

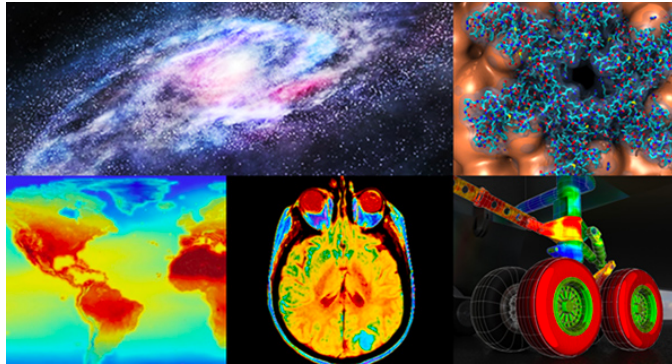


Quantum

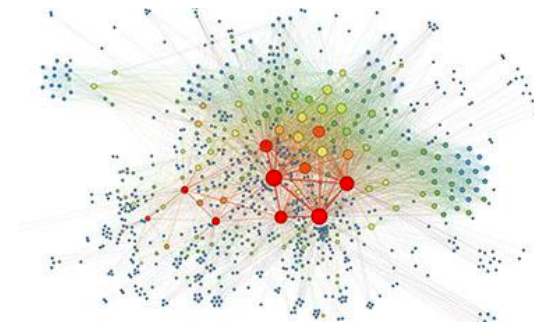
These architectures are evolving rapidly!

Application domains that demand high performance are also increasing

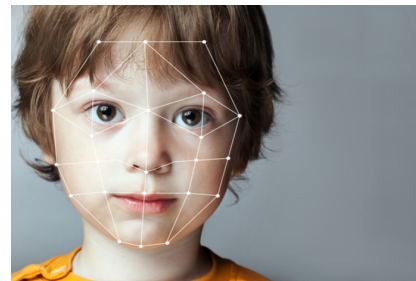
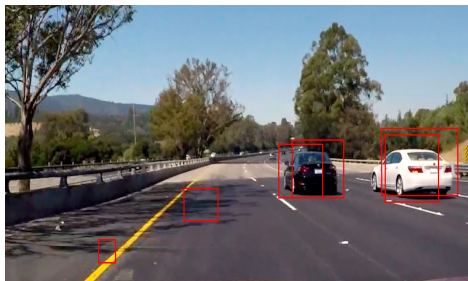
Scientific computing applications



Large scale graph processing



Machine learning (Deep Neural Networks)



Furthermore, these domains are rapidly evolving with new algorithms!

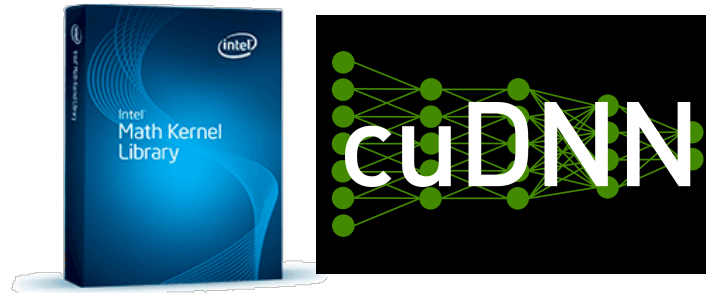
Ways to achieve high-performance

1) Ninja/Expert programmers



- Achieve close to peak performance
- Hard to port to new hardware platforms
- Only a small fraction of developers are Ninja programmers

2) High-performance libraries



- Easy to develop high performance applications
- Not portable across platforms
- Hard to support rapidly evolving applications
- Inhibits optimizations across library calls

3) Optimizing compilers



- Easy to develop high performance applications
- Portable across platforms
- Easily supports rapidly evolving applications
- Enables full-program optimizations
- **Promising direction, but requires advancements!**

Thesis statement

*“Given the increasing demand for performance across **multiple application domains** and the major disruptions in future computer hardware as we approach the end of Moore’s Law, our thesis is that **advances in compiler optimizations** are critical for enabling a wide range of applications to exploit future advances in both **general-purpose and domain-specific parallel architectures.**”*

Key Contributions

Advancing Compiler Optimizations for General-Purpose Parallel Architectures

1) Analysis and optimization of explicitly parallel programs (PACT'15)

Multi-core/Many-core CPUs



2) Unification of storage transformations with loop transformations (LCPC'18)

Vector Units (SIMD, SIMT)



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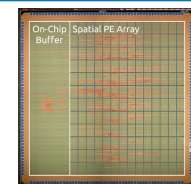
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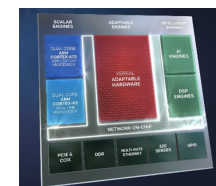
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Analysis and Optimizations of Explicitly-Parallel Programs

"Polyhedral Optimizations of Explicitly Parallel Program"

Prasanth Chatarasi, Jun Shirako, and Vivek Sarkar,

In Proceedings of the 24th International Conference on Parallel Architecture and Compilation (PACT'15)

(One of four papers selected for Best Paper session)

Explicit parallel software on the rise!

- **Parallel programming of multi-cores, many-cores in CPUs, GPUs have become mainstream**
 - E.g., OpenMP for CPUs, CUDA for GPUs
- **Programmers explicitly specify parallelism in the program**

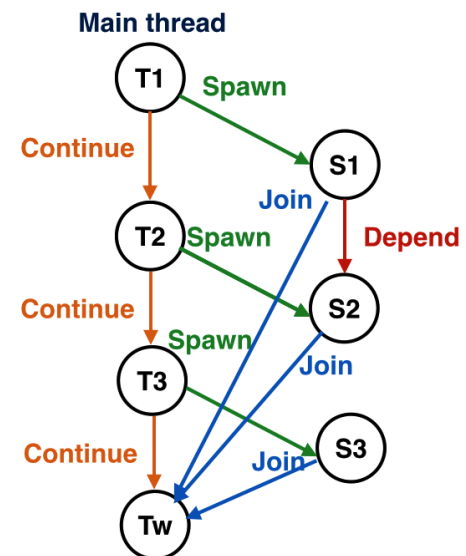
Key Challenges:

- 1) How to extend foundations of optimizing compilers to support explicit parallelism?*
- 2) Can explicit-parallelism be used to refine conservative (imprecise) dependences?*

Background: Explicit Parallelism

- **Parallel programs have partial execution order**
 - Described by Happens-before relations
- **Loop-level parallelism (since OpenMP 1.0)**
 - Iterations of the loop can be run in parallel
- **Task-level parallelism (since OpenMP 3.0 & 4.0)**
 - Synchronization b/w parents and children — “omp taskwait”
 - Synchronization b/w siblings — “depend” clause

```
1  #pragma omp task depend(out: A) // T1
2      {S1}
3  #pragma omp task depend(in: A) // T2
4      {S2}
5  #pragma omp task // T3
6      {S3}
7  #pragma omp taskwait // Tw
```

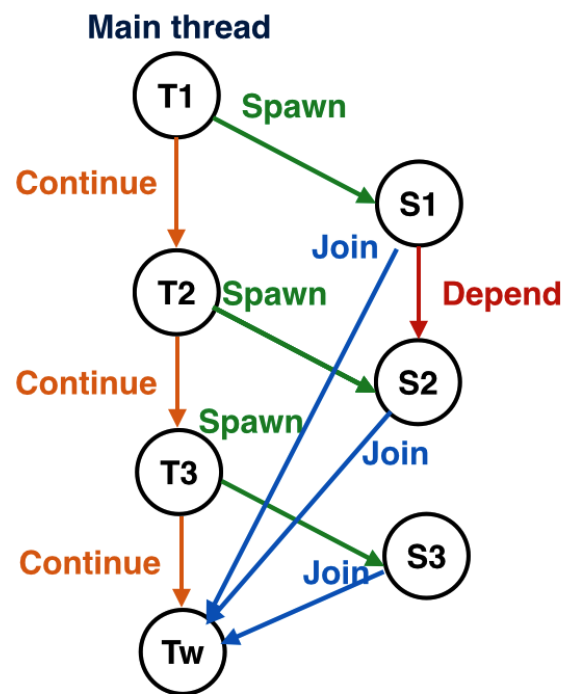


Background: Serial-Elision property

Removal of all parallel constructs results in a sequential program that is a valid (albeit inefficient) implementation of the parallel program semantics.

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Original program



Task dependence graph of the program

Main thread

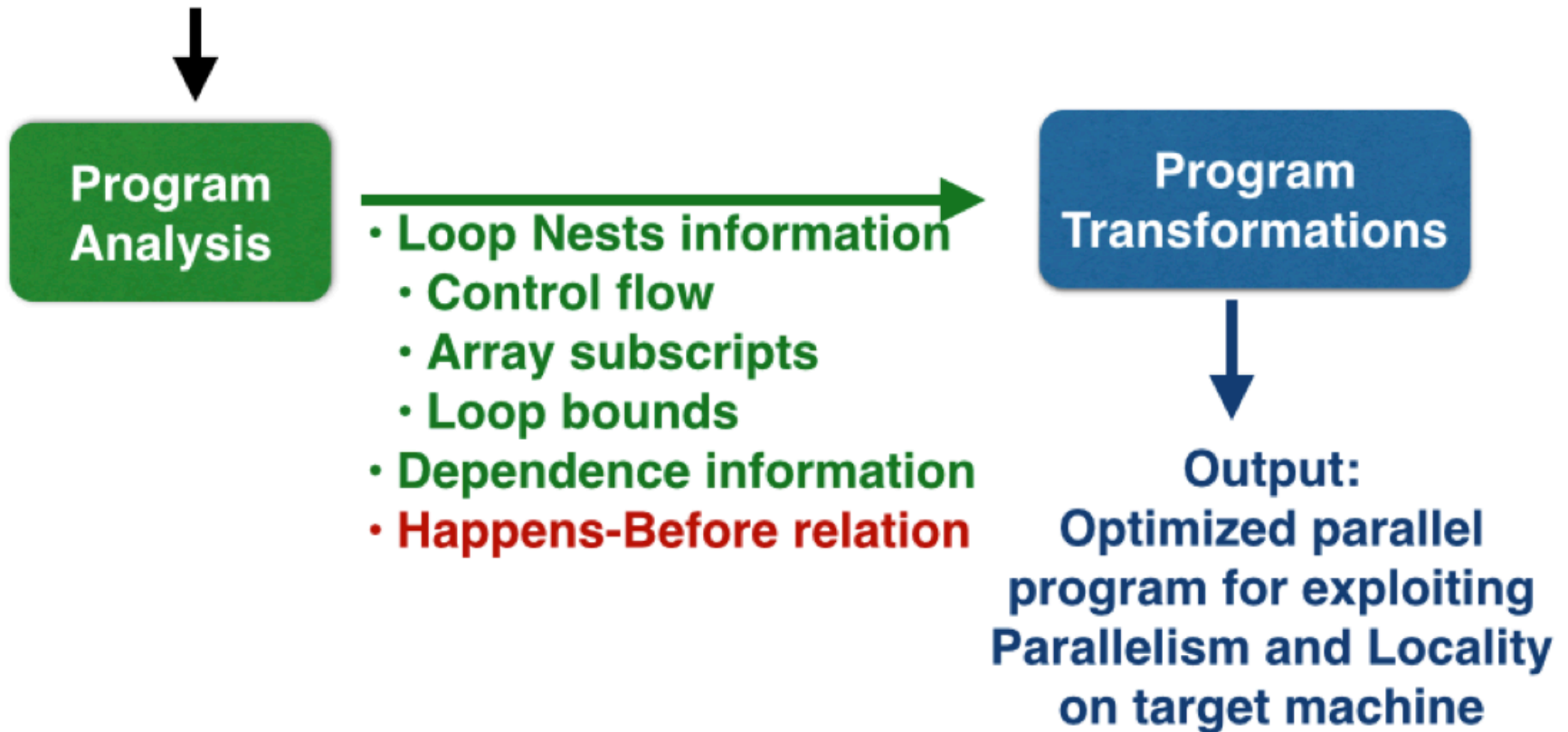


Graph after removing parallel constructs

Satisfies serial-elision property

Our Approach (PoPP)

Input: **Parallel program** (satisfying serial-elision property)
(preferably with all possible
logical parallelism)



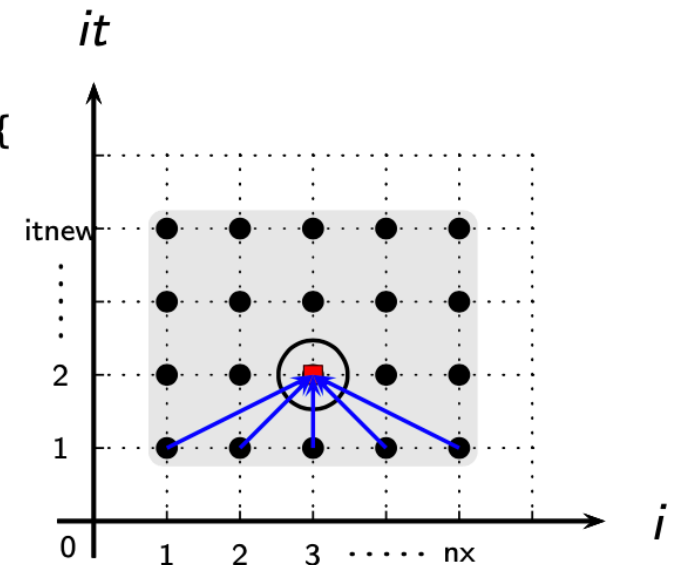
PoPP – Polyhedral optimizations of Parallel Programs

Step-1: Compute dependences based on the sequential order (use serial-elision and ignore parallel constructs)

```

1  #pragma omp parallel
2  #pragma omp single
3  {
4      for (it = itold + 1; it <= itnew; it++) {
5          for (i = 0; i < nx; i++) {
6              #pragma omp task depend(out: u[i])
7              depend(in: unew[i])
8                  for (j = 0; j < ny; j++)
9                  S1:          u[i][j] = unew[i][j];
10             }
11
12             for (i = 0; i < nx; i++) {
13                 #pragma omp task depend(out: unew[i])
14                 depend(in: f[i], u[i-1], u[i], u[i+1])
15                     for (j = 0; j < ny; j++)
16                     S2:          cpd(i, j, unew, u, f);
17             }
18         }
19     #pragma omp taskwait
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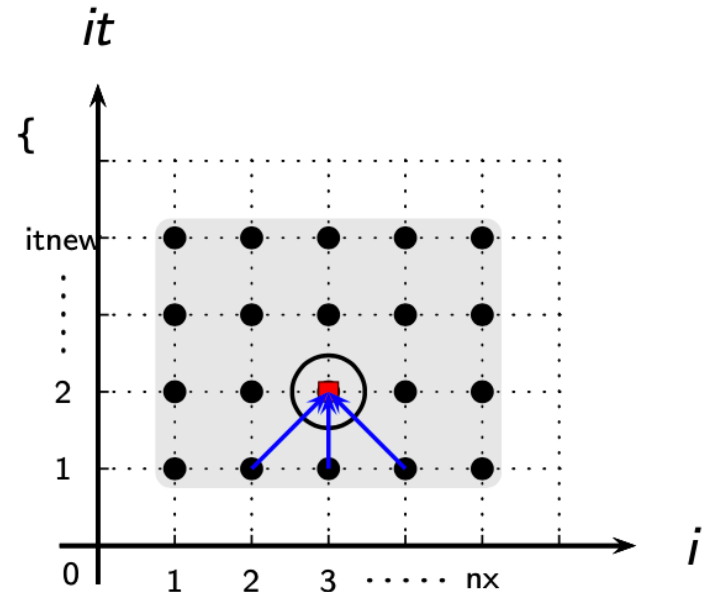
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(S2 → S1)
 dependences
 across it & i loops

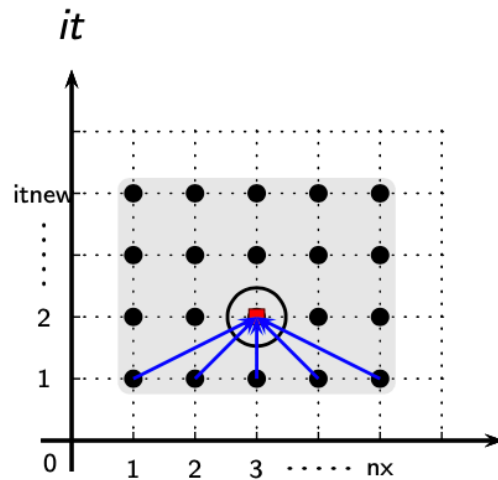
Step-2: Compute happens-before relations using parallel constructs (ignoring statement bodies)

```
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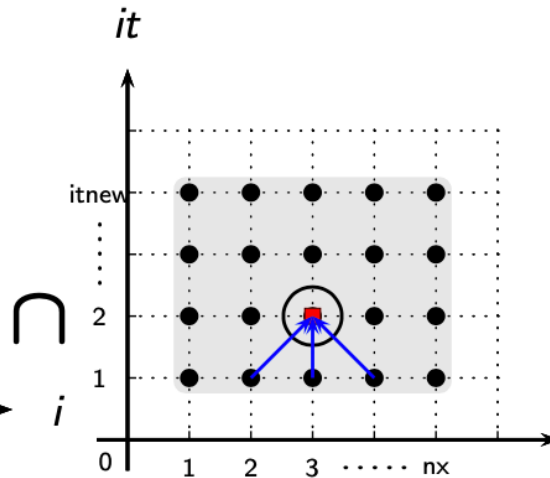


(S2→S1) HB edges
across it & i loops

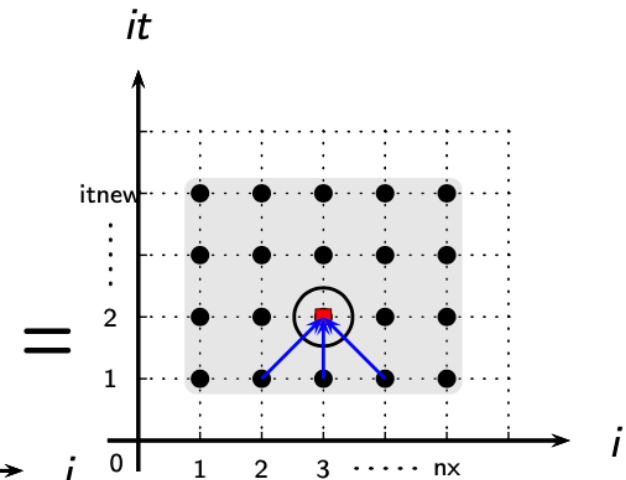
Step-3: Intersect dependences (Best of both worlds)



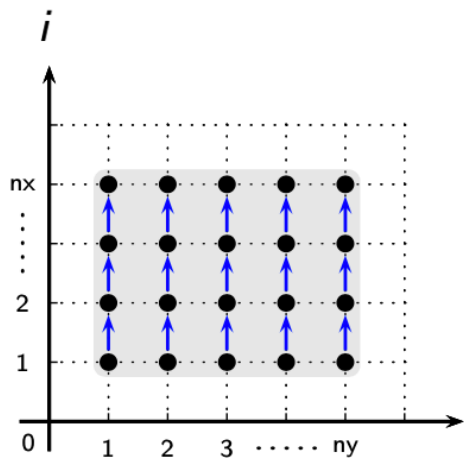
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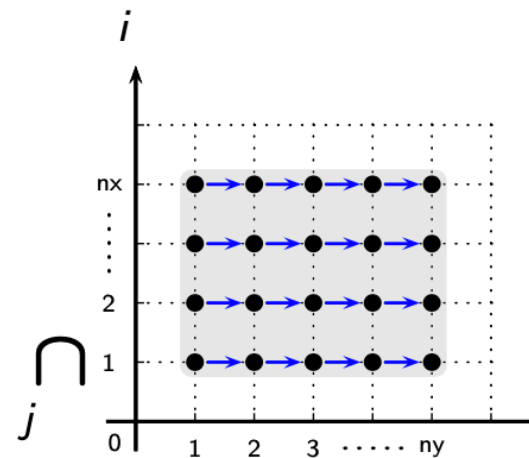
HB relation $\mathcal{H}B_1^{S2 \rightarrow S1}$



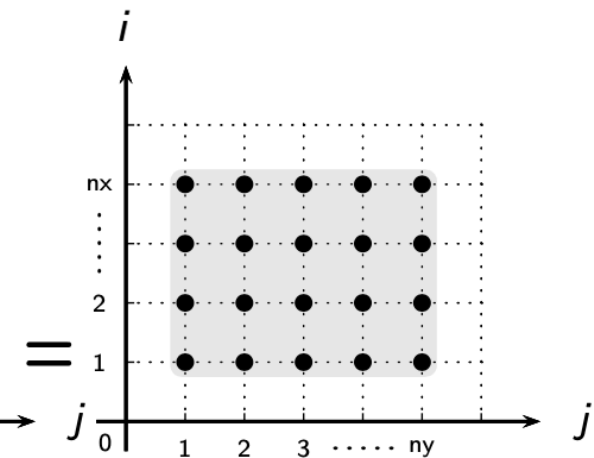
Refined dependences $\mathcal{P}'_1^{S2 \rightarrow S1}$



Conservative dependences $\mathcal{P}_1^{S1 \rightarrow S1}$
(j -loop is parallel for $S1$)

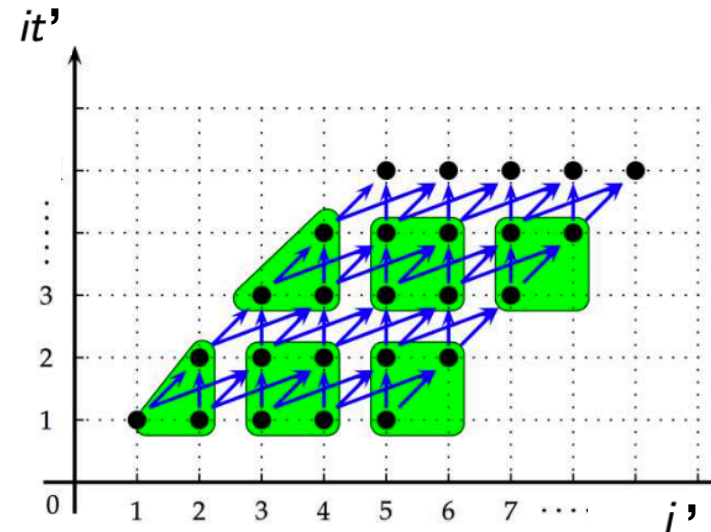
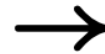
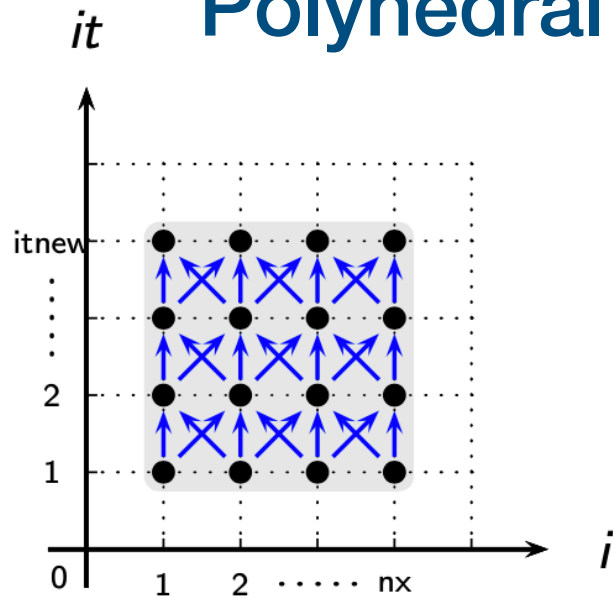


HB relation $\mathcal{H}B_1^{S1 \rightarrow S1}$ (i -loop is parallel for $S1$)



Refined dependences $\mathcal{P}'_1^{S1 \rightarrow S1}$ (No dependences for $S1$)

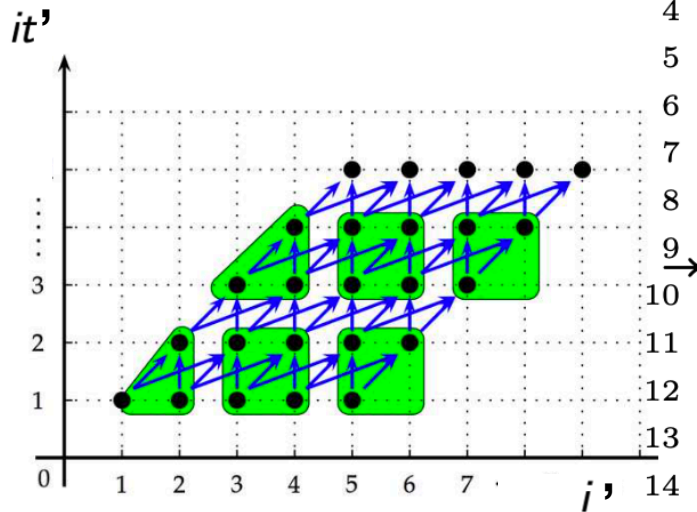
Step-4: Pass refined dependences to Polyhedral optimizers (PolyAST)



Refined dependences, $\mathcal{P}'_{S2 \rightarrow S1}$

- **Refined dependences enable a broad set of transformations**
 - i-loop is parallel, but invalid rectangular tiling
 - Skewing transformation to enable rectangular tiling

Step-5: Generate code



```

1  #pragma omp parallel for                                Omitted tiling for brevity
2      private(c3,c5) ordered(2)
3  for (c1 = itold + 1; c1 <= itnew; c1++) {
4      for (c3 = 2 * c1; c3 <= 2 * c1 + nx; c3++) {
5
6      #pragma omp ordered
7      depend(sink: c1-1, c3) depend(sink: c1, c3-1)
8          if (c3 <= 2 * c1 + nx + -1) {
9              for (c5 = 0; c5 < ny; c5++)
10             S1:          u[-2*c1+c3][c5] = unew[-2*c1+c3][c5]
11             }
12
13             if (c3 >= 2 * c1 + 1) {
14                 for (c5 = 0; c5 < ny; c5++)
15                 S2:          cpd(-2*c1+c3-1, c5, unew, u, f);
16             }
17             #pragma omp ordered depend(source)
18         }}

```

- **Invoke polyhedral code generators (PolyAST)**
 - Capable of scanning the complex iteration space
 - Fine-grained (point-to-point) synchronization instead of barriers

Evaluation

- **PoPP** was implemented in **ROSE** source to source compiler framework and evaluated on the following benchmarks.
- **KASTORS – Task parallel benchmarks (3)**
 - Jacobi, Jacobi-blocked, Sparse LU
- **RODINIA – Loop parallel benchmarks (8)**
 - Back propagation, CFD solver, Hotspot, Kmeans, LUD, Needleman–Wunsch, particle filter, path finder

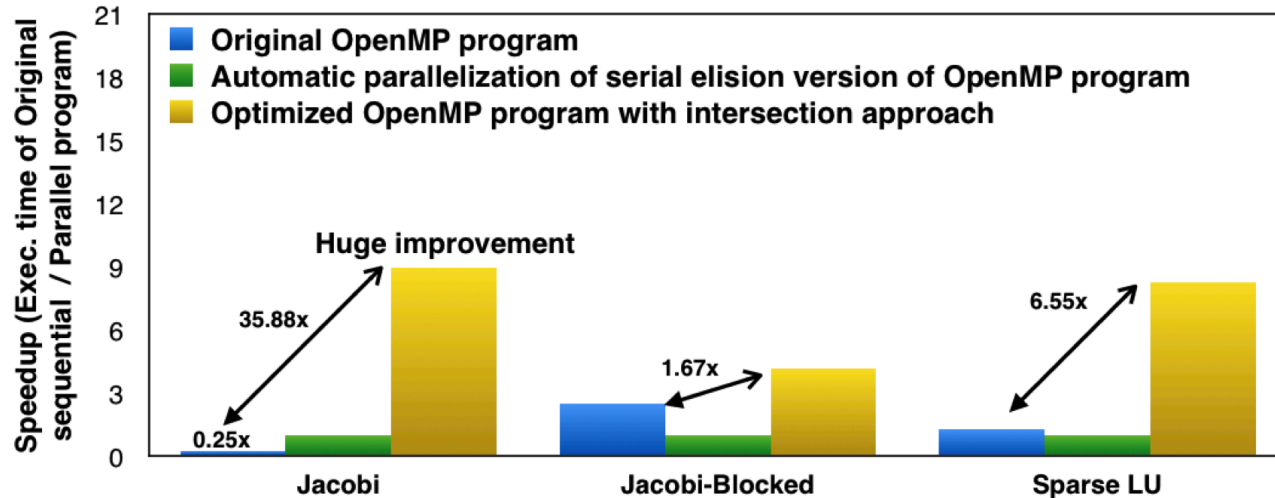
	Intel Xeon 5660 (Westmere)	IBM Power 8E (Power 8)
Microarch	Westmere	Power PC
Clock speed	2.80GHz	3.02GHz
Cores/socket	6	12
Total cores	12	24
Compiler	gcc -4.9.2	gcc -4.9.2
Compiler flags	-O3 -fast(icc)	-O3

Variants

- **Original OpenMP program**
 - Written by programmer/application developer
- **Automatic optimization and parallelization of serial-elision version of the OpenMP program**
 - Automatic optimizers (PolyAST)
- **Optimized OpenMP program with our approach**
 - Our framework (PoPP) which extends PolyAST with the intersection of happens-before and data dependence relations

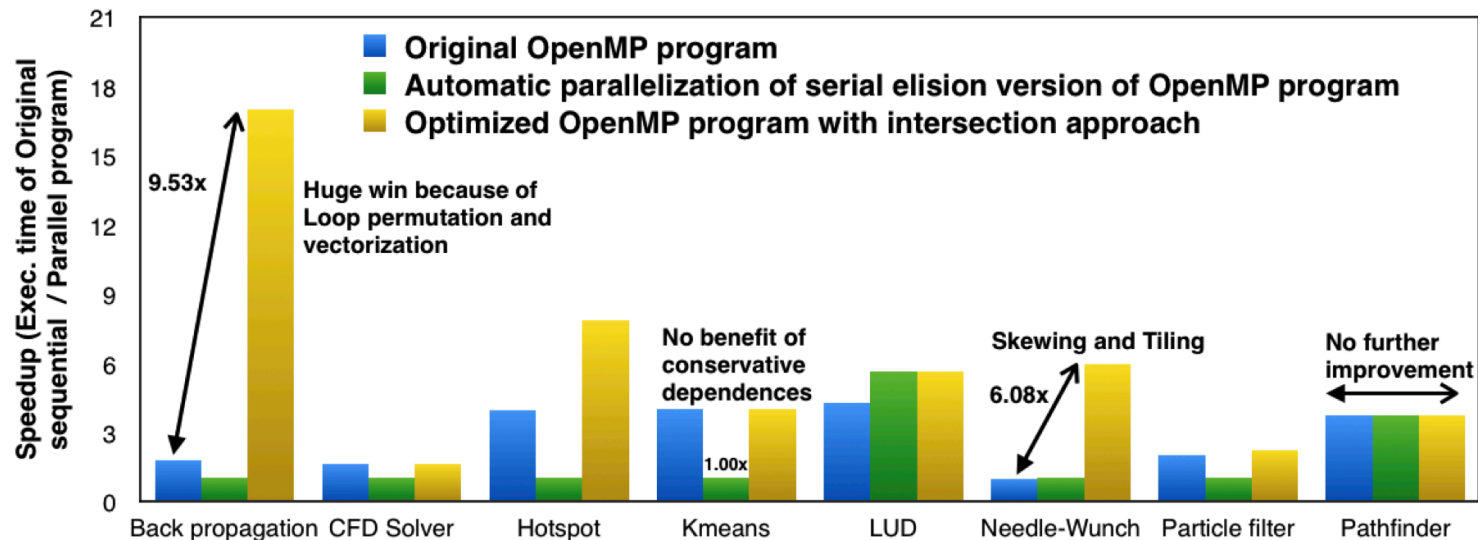
Evaluation on IBM Power 8

Task-Parallel benchmarks (KASTORS) on IBM Power8 (24 cores)



Geometric mean improvement - 7.32x

Loop-Parallel benchmarks (Rodinia) on IBM Power8 (24 cores)



Geometric mean improvement - 1.89x

Summary & Related Work

- **Summary:**
 - Extended the foundations of optimizing compiler for analyzing parallel programs and also advanced the dependence analysis.
 - Broadened the range of applicable legal transformations
 - Geometric mean performance improvements of 1.62X on Intel westmere and 2.75X on IBM Power8
- **Related work:**
 - Data-flow analysis of explicitly parallel programs [Yuki et al. PPOPP'13]
 - Improved loop dependence analysis for GCC auto-vectorization [Jenson et al. TACO'17]
 - Enabled classical scalar optimizations for explicitly-parallel programs using “serial-elision” property [TAPIR — Tao et al. PPOPP'17]

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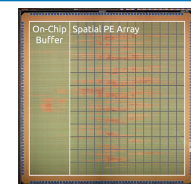
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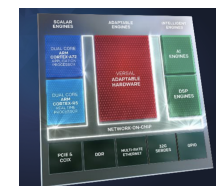
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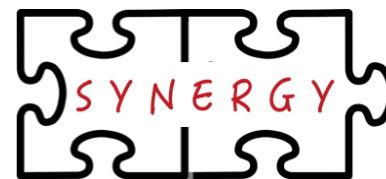
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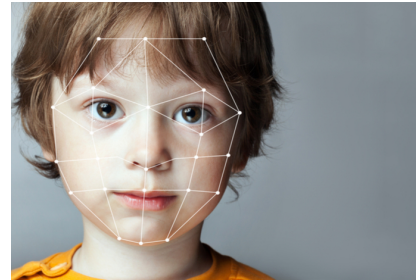
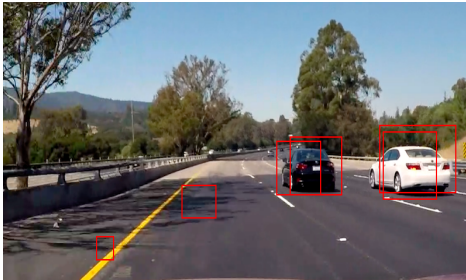
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["Marvel: A Data-centric Compiler for DNN Operators on Spatial Accelerators"](#)

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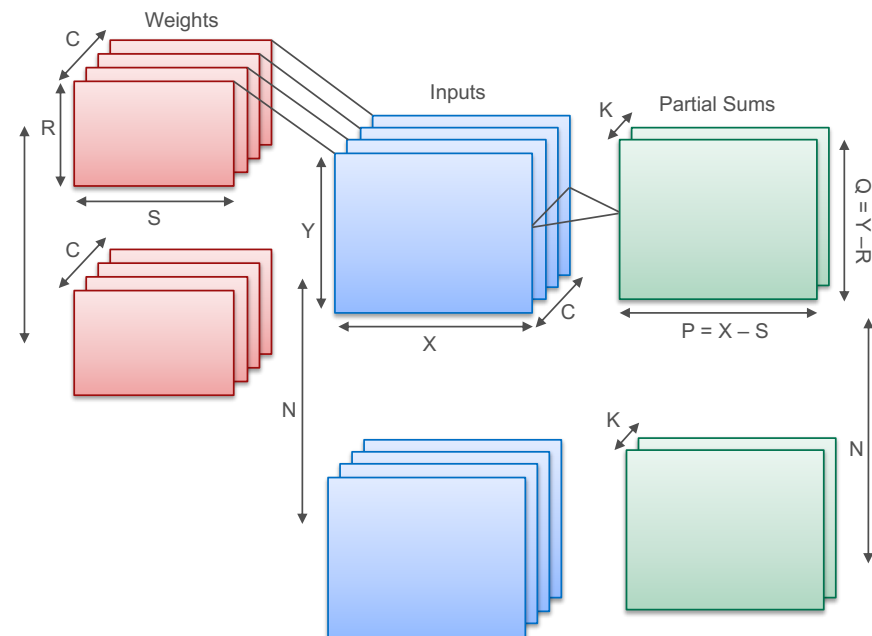
Deep Learning (DNN Models)



Examples of DNN Operators (Layers)

- Regular CONV1D
- Regular CONV2D
- Depth-wise CONV2D
- Transposed CONV2D
- Regular CONV3D
- Strided variants
- GEMM (MatMul)
- LSTM (RNNs)
- Element-wise
- Pooling
- Fully Connected/MLP
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Regular CONV2D over 4D Tensors



Involves billions of computations

Spatial Accelerators

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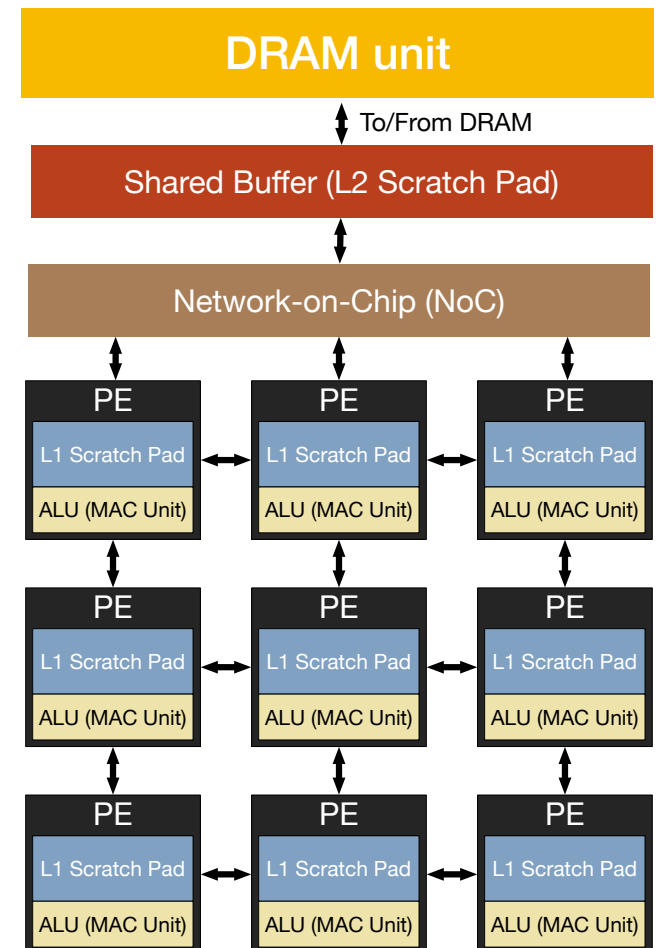
Problem statement:
How to map for
low latency,
high energy efficiency?



Mapping involves

- 1) Parallelization onto compute resources,
- 2) Tiling across memory resources, and
- 3) Exploitation of data reuse

Abstract overview

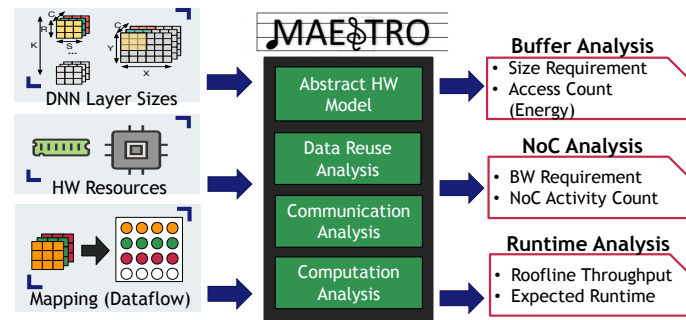


3-level accelerator

E.g., TPU, Eyeriss, NVDLA

Challenges

- 1. Explosion of hardware choices in spatial accelerators**
 - Wide variety of hardware structures & data movement restrictions
- 2. Rapid emergence of new DNN operators and shapes/sizes**
 - Various forms of algorithmic properties (e.g., reuses)
- 3. Selection of optimized mapping from massive mapping space and also good cost models**
 - E.g., On average, $O(10^{18})$ mappings for CONV2D in MobileNetV2



["Understanding Reuse, Performance, and Hardware Cost of DNN Dataflows: A Data-Centric Approach"](#)

Hyoukjun Kwon, **Prasanth Chatarasi**, Michael Pellauer, Angshuman Parashar, Vivek Sarkar, and Tushar Krishna, In Proceedings of the 52nd IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Microarchitecture (MICRO'19)

Mapping space for a 3-level accelerator

- **Multi-level tiling for memory hierarchy and for parallelization**

- Level-1 tiling for the L1 buffer
- Level-2 tiling for the PE array
- Level-3 tiling for the L2 buffer

- **Loop orders across tiles**

- Inter-tile level-3 loop order
- Inter-tile level-2 loop order

- **Data-layouts of tensors on DRAM**

- **Mapping is an unique 6D tuple in the 6-dimensional search space**

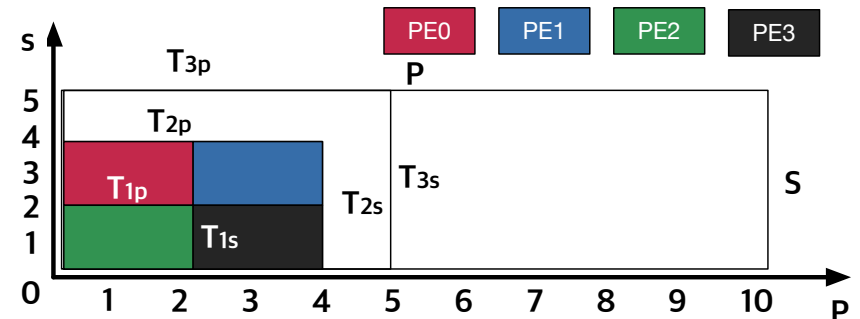
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for(p=1; p < P; p++)
  for(s=1; s < S; s++)
    Output[p] += Weight[s] * Input[p+s]
```

(a) Plain 1D Convolution

```

Lv3 tile for(t3p=0; t3p < P; t3p += T3p)
      for(t3s=0; t3s < S; t3s += T3s)
Lv2 tile for(t2p=t3p; t2p < t2p+T2p; t2p+=T2p)
      for(t2s=t3s; t2s < t2s+T2s; t2s+=T2s)
Lv1 tile parallel_for(t1p=t2p; t1p < t1p + T1p; t1p += T1p)
      parallel_for(t1s=t2s; t1s < t1s + T1s; t1s += T1s)
          for(t0p=t1p; t0p < t0p + T1p; t0p += 1)
            for(t0s=t1s; t0s < t0s + T1s; t0s += 1)
              Output[t0p] += Weight[t0s] * Input[t0p + t0s]
```

(b) Tiled 1D Convolution

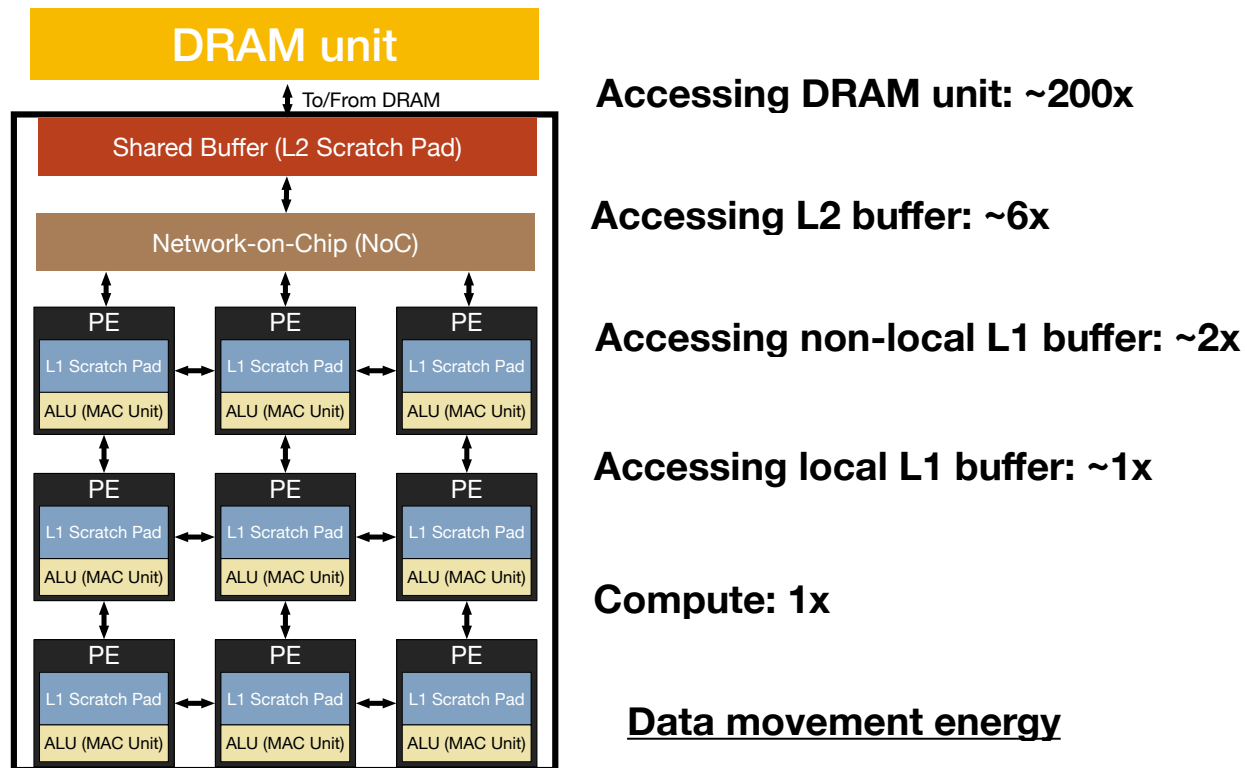


(c) Tiling Example

$O(10^{18})$ mappings on average for a single convolution layer in ResNet50 and MobileNetV2 models on Eyeriss-like accelerator

Our Intuition

Observation: Off-chip data movement is 2-3 orders of magnitude more expensive compared to on-chip data movement



Idea: Decouple the mapping space based on off-chip and on-chip data movement, and prioritize optimizing for off-chip data movement first?

Our approach (Marvel)

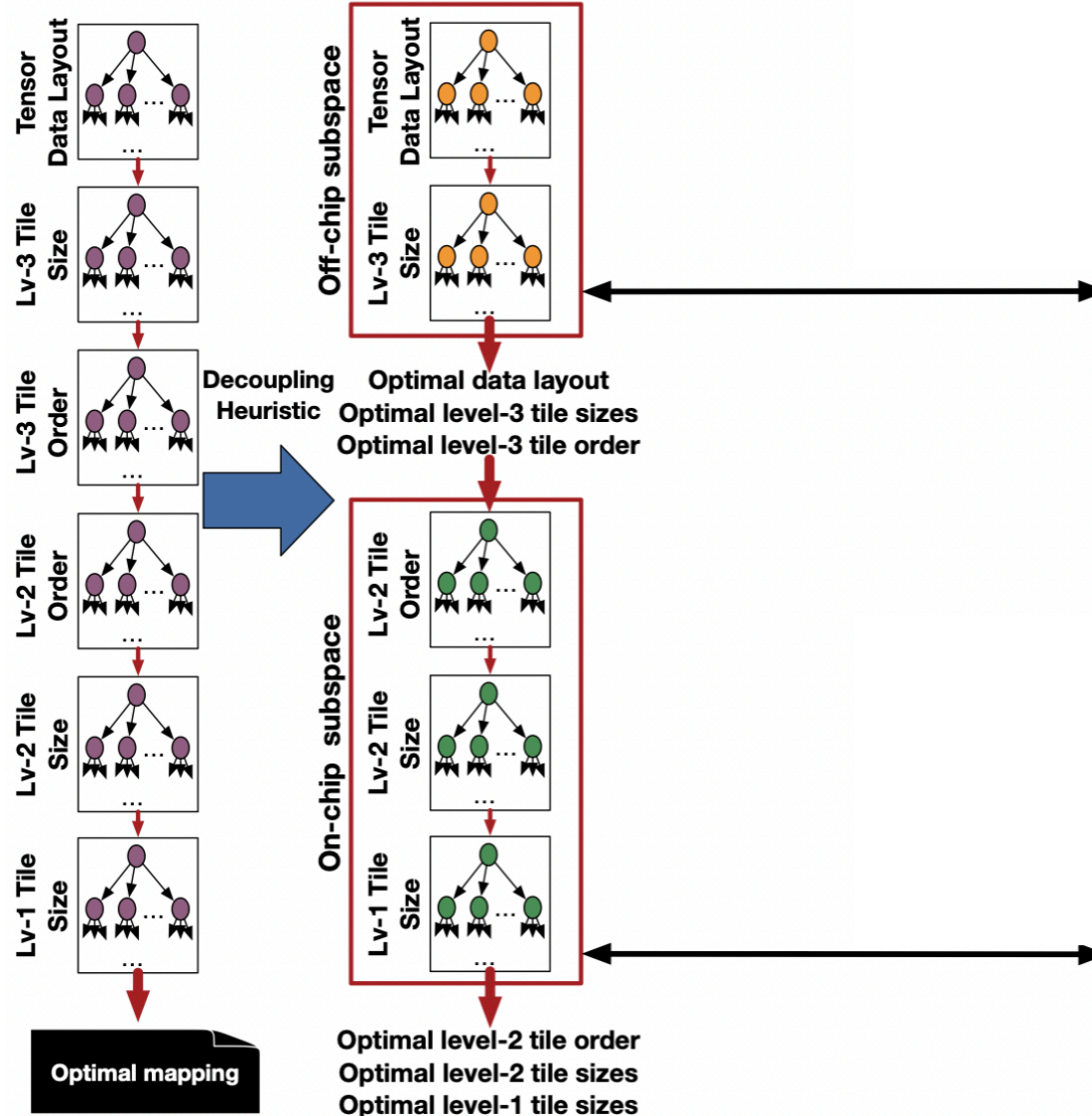
Mapping space (6-dimensional)

Decoupled mapping space

Cost models

Off-chip Subspace (3-dimensional)

On-chip Subspace (3-dimensional)



Distinct Blocks (DB) Cost Model

Sarkar et al.,
IBM Journal, 1997

MAESTRO Cost Model

Kwon et al.,
MICRO 2019

Step-1: Optimizing off-chip subspace

- **Input:** Workload and hardware configuration
- **Output:** Level-3 tile sizes & inter-tile order, and data-layouts
- **Distinct Blocks Model (DB Model)**
 - Given a parametric loop-nest and layout of tensors, the model measures distinct number of DRAM blocks for a computation tile

```

for(n=0; n<N; n++)
for(k=0; k<K; k++)
for(c=0; c<C; c++)
for(p=0; p<P; p++)
for(q=0; q<Q; q++)
for(r=0; r<R; r++)
for(s=0; s<S; s++)
  O[n][k][r][p] += W[k][c][r][s]
                 * I[n][c][q+r][p+s];
    
```

T_{3i} is the tile size for loop- i ,
 b is the DRAM block size

$$DB_W(T_3) \approx \left(\left\lceil \frac{T_{3S}}{b} \right\rceil \right) \times T_{3R} \times T_{3C} \times T_{3K}$$

$$DB_I(T_3) \approx \left(\left\lceil \frac{T_{3P} + T_{3S}}{b} \right\rceil \right) \times (T_{3Q} + T_{3R}) \times T_{3C} \times T_{3N}$$

$$DB_O(T_3) \approx \left(\left\lceil \frac{T_{3P}}{b} \right\rceil \right) \times T_{3Q} \times T_{3K} \times T_{3N}$$

$$DMC(T_3) \approx \frac{DB_W(T_3) + DB_I(T_3) + DB_O(T_3)}{T_{3N} \times T_{3K} \times T_{3C} \times T_{3X} \times T_{3Y} \times T_{3R} \times T_{3S}}$$

$$b \times DB_{Total}(T_3) \leq \frac{|L2|}{2}$$

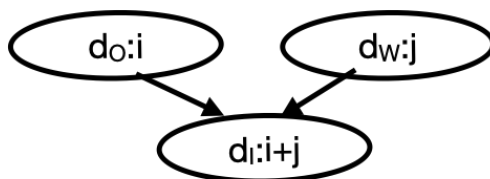
Step-2: Optimizing on-chip subspace

- **Input:** Level-3 tile sizes, Level-3 tile order, data-layouts
- **Output:** Level-2 tile sizes, Level-2 tile order, Level-1 tile sizes
- **Iterate over each on-chip mapping, translate into MAESTRO understandable format, and invoke MAESTRO cost model**

A) CONV1D operation

```
for(i = 0; i < M; i++)
  for(j = 0; j < N; j++)
    O[i] += I[i+j] * W[j]
```

B) DDG



C) A sample mapping in the loop-nest representation

Level-1 tile sizes: T_{1i}, T_{1j}
 Level-2 tile sizes: T_{2i}, T_{2j}
 Level-2 inter-tile order: t_{3i}, t_{3j}

L3 tile	$\text{for}(t_{3i} = t_{4i}; t_{3i} < t_{4i} + T_{3i}; t_{3i} += T_{2i})$ $\text{for}(t_{3j} = t_{4j}; t_{3j} < t_{4j} + T_{3j}; t_{3j} += T_{2j})$	R4	$\text{TemporalMap}(T_{2i}, T_{2i}) \text{ do}$ $\text{TemporalMap}(T_{2j}, T_{2j}) \text{ dw}$ Cluster(1)
L2 tile	$\text{pfor}(t_{2i} = t_{3i}; t_{2i} < t_{3i} + T_{2i}; t_{2i} += T_{1i})$ $\text{pfor}(t_{2j} = t_{3j}; t_{2j} < t_{3j} + T_{2j}; t_{2j} += T_{1j})$	R3	$\text{SpatialMap}(T_{1i}, T_{1i}) \text{ do}$ $\text{TemporalMap}(T_{2j}, T_{2j}) \text{ dw}$ Cluster(P_{2i})
L1 tile	$\text{for}(t_{1i} = t_{2i}; t_{1i} < t_{2i} + T_{1i}; t_{1i}++)$ $\text{for}(t_{1j} = t_{2j}; t_{1j} < t_{2j} + T_{1j}; t_{1j}++)$ $O[t_{1i}] += I[t_{1i} + t_{1j}] * W[t_{1j}]$	R2	$\text{TemporalMap}(T_{1i}, T_{1i}) \text{ do}$ $\text{SpatialMap}(T_{1j}, T_{1j}) \text{ dw}$ Cluster(1)
		R1	$\text{TemporalMap}(T_{1i}, T_{1i}) \text{ do}$ $\text{TemporalMap}(T_{1j}, T_{1j}) \text{ dw}$

D) Mapping directives

#do, dw, di — index variables over tensor dimensions

$$\#P_{2i} = \frac{T_{2i}}{T_{1i}}, P_{2j} = \frac{T_{2j}}{T_{1j}}$$

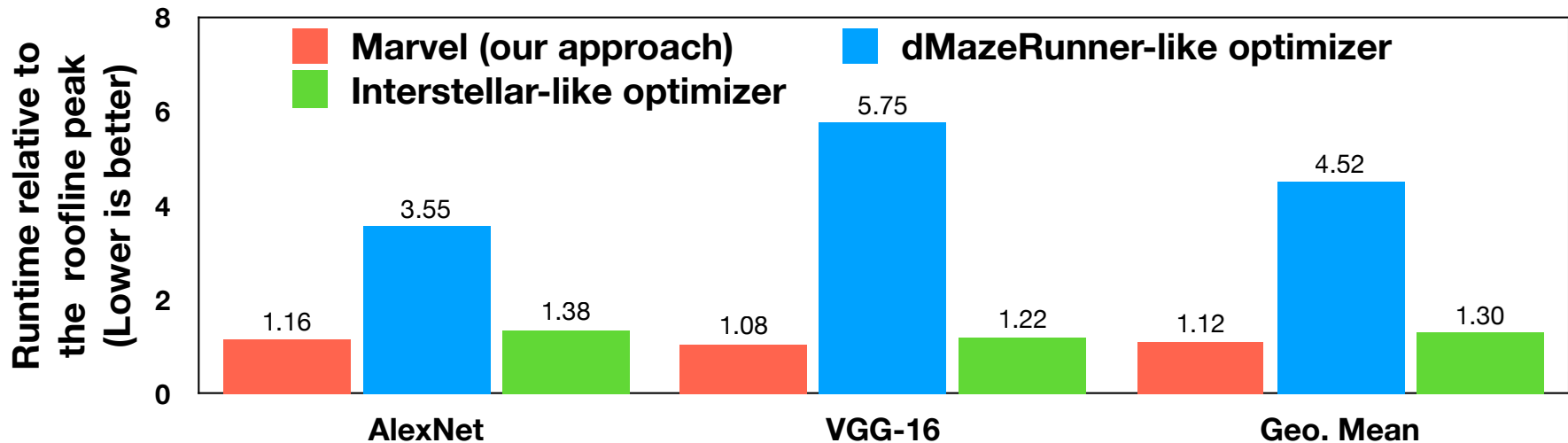
Evaluation

- **Four CNN models: VGG16, AlexNet, ResNet50, MobileNetV2**
 - Also, GEMM, MLP, and LSTM workloads (precision: 8bit)
- **2 representative DNN accelerators (for this talk, only P2)**

	Accelerator platform (P1) (Eyeriss-like [7])	Accelerator platform (P2) (Edge/IoT-like) [2]
#PEs	168	1024
Clock frequency	200 MHz	200 MHz
GigaOpsPerSec(GOPS)	67.2	409.6
NoC bandwidth (GB/s)	2.4	25.6
L1 buffer size	512B	512B
L2 buffer size	108KB	108KB
DRAM block size [17]	64	64

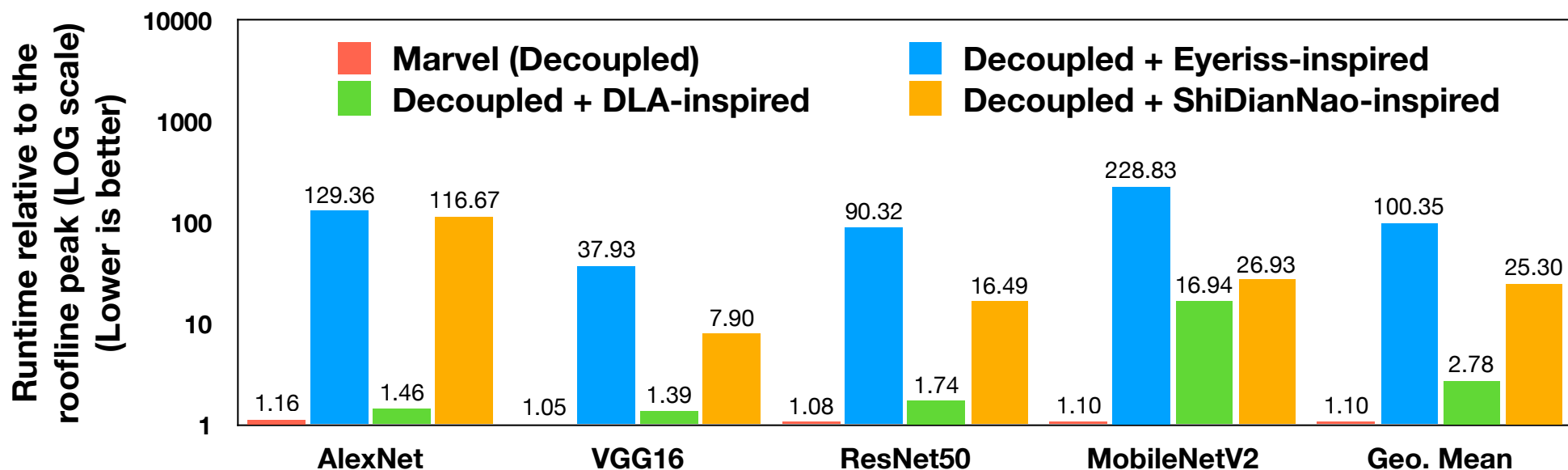
- **Comparison variants with our decoupled approach**
 - Existing optimizers: dMazeRunner, Interstellar
 - Popular on-chip mappings for CONV2D:
 - Row-stationary inspired from Eyeriss
 - Weight-stationary inspired from NVDLA,
 - Output-stationary inspired from ShiDianNao

Comparison with existing optimizers



- Evaluated other optimizers over AlexNet and VGG-16 only
 - Extremely time consuming (> 2 days) in case of MobileNetV2 and ResNet50
- *dMazeRunner-like* — Exhaustive search with aggressive pruning
 - Heavy emphasis over the batch size
- *Interstellar-like optimizer* — Parallelization across output & input channels
 - Suffers for MobileNetV2 and UNet models
- *Marvel* — Decouples the mapping space & apply pruning strategies
 - Reduce the search space on average from $O(10^{18})$ to $O(10^8)$

Comparison with popular on-chip mappings



- *DLA-inspired mappings* — Parallelization across output & input channels
 - Good scheme except for MobileNetV2 (because of depth-wise CONV2D)
- *ShiDianNao-inspired mappings* — Parallelization across output width & height
 - Good scheme for early CONV2D layers having higher resolution
- *Marvel mappings* — Exploits > 2 levels of parallelism, various reuse orders
 - Almost close to roof-line peak (10% costlier)

Prior work on mappers

Compiler/ Mapper	Target architecture	Target goal	Accurate cost models	Operators supported/ evaluated	Level-1 Tiling	Level-2 tiling			Level-3 tiling		Approach
					Tile sizes	Parallel loops	Degree of parallelism	Inter-tile order	Tile sizes	Inter-tile order	
mRNA	MAERI	Runtime, Energy	YES	CONV2D	NA	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	Bruteforce
TVM	VTA	Runtime	NO	CNNs	NA	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	Annealing
DEEP MATRIX	Systolic	Runtime, Energy	YES	CONV2D, LSTM, MLP	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	Bruteforce
Zhang et al.	Flexible	Runtime	NO	CONV2D	NA	FIXED	YES	FIXED	YES	YES	Bruteforce
Ma et al.	Flexible	Runtime	NO	CONV2D	NA	FIXED	YES	FIXED	YES	YES	Bruteforce
dMaze Runner	Flexible	Runtime, Energy	YES	CONV2D	YES	FIXED	YES	FIXED	YES	FIXED	Bruteforce
Interstellar	Flexible	Runtime, Energy	YES	CONV2D, LSTM, MLP	YES	FIXED	YES	YES	YES	YES	Bruteforce
TimeLoop	Flexible	Runtime, Energy	YES	DeepBench, CNNs	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	Brute-force, random sampling
Marvel	Flexible	Runtime, Energy	YES	Any MDC Conformable	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	Decoupled

Our approach (Marvel) considers all aspects of a mapping and generate efficient latency/energy optimal mappings for flexible spatial accelerators quickly.

Summary

- 1. Rapid emergence of DNN operators and hardware accelerators pose a lot of challenges to compilers**
 - Complex algorithmic reuse patterns and hardware reuse structures
 - Humongous mapping space problem
- 2. Fine-grained reasoning required for mapping DNN operators to hardware accelerators for effective utilization**
 - MAESTRO cost model
- 3. Effectively exploring mapping space**
 - Marvel — Proposed a decoupled off-chip/on-chip approach to efficiently explore the massive search space of mappings
 - Reduced the search space on an average by $O(10^{10})$

Key Contributions

Advancing Compiler Optimizations for General-Purpose Parallel Architectures

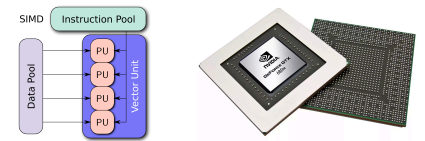
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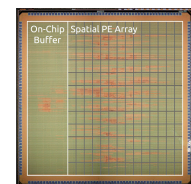
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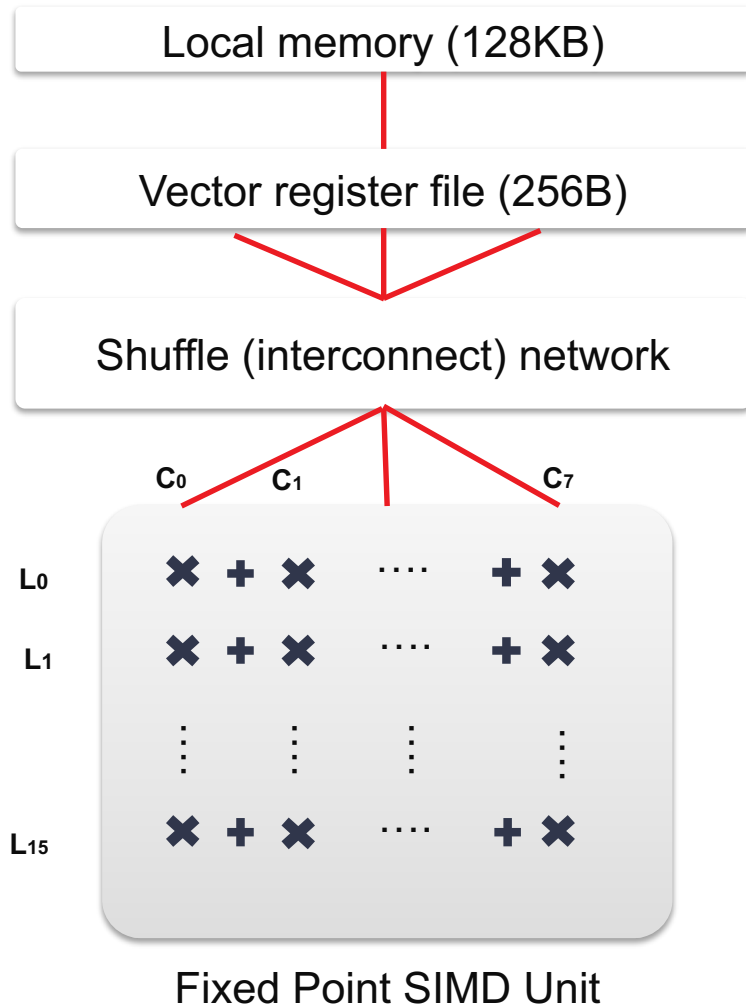
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Key architectural features of AI Engine

Abstract view of AI Engine



1) 2D SIMD datapath for fixed point

- Reduction within a row/lane
- #Columns depend on operand precision
 - 32-bit types: 8 rows x 1 col
 - 16-bit types: 8 rows x 4 col (or)
16 rows x 2 col
 - 8-bit types: 16 rows x 8 col

2) Shuffle Interconnection network

- Between SIMD and vector register file
- Supports arbitrary selection of elements from a vector register
 - Some constraints for 16-/8-bit types
- Selection parameters are provided via vector intrinsics

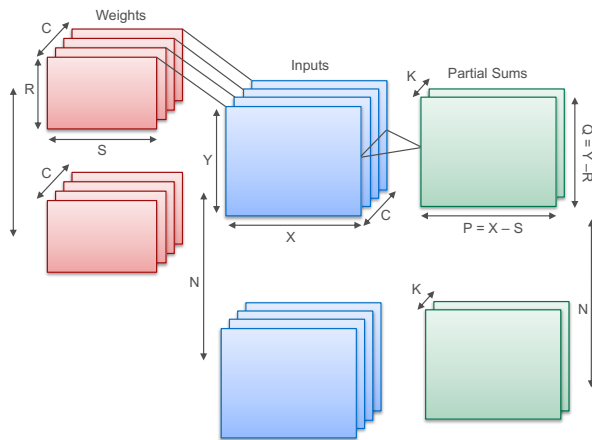
Problem Statement & Challenges

Problem statement: How to implement high-performance primitives for tensor convolutions on AI Engine?

- Programmers manually use vector intrinsics to program 2D SIMD datapath and also explicitly specify shuffle network parameters for the data selection
- Tensor convolutions vary drastically in sizes and types
- Manually written code may not be portable to a different schedule or data-layout
- Daunting to manually explore the space of mappings

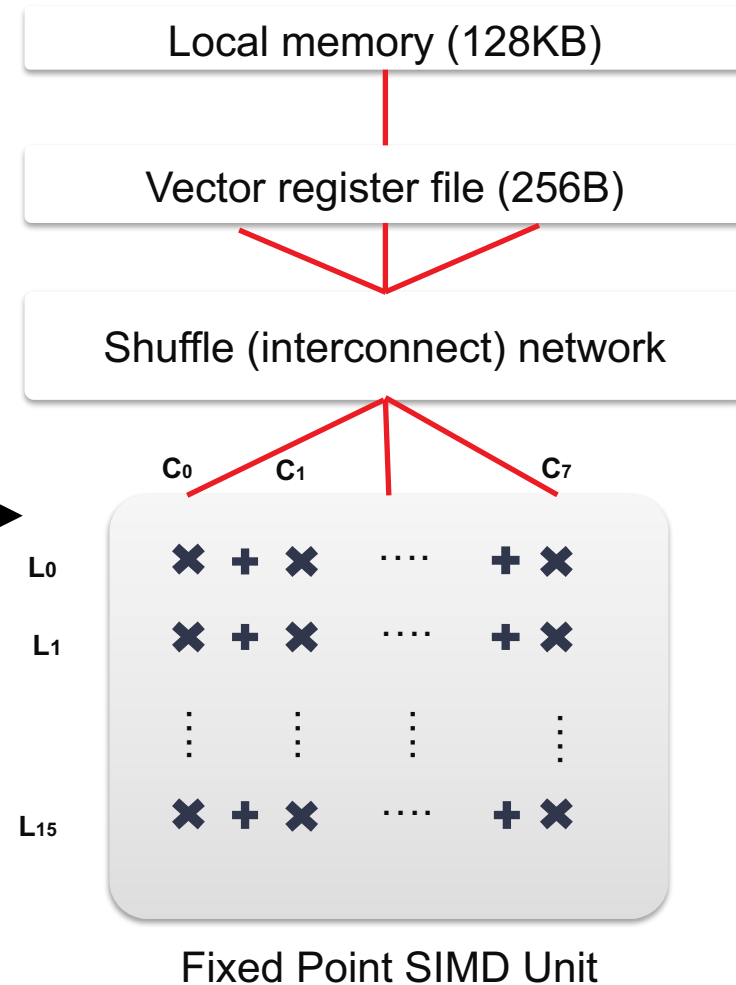
Our Compiler (Vyasa)

High-level specification of Tensor Convolutions (e.g., Halide)



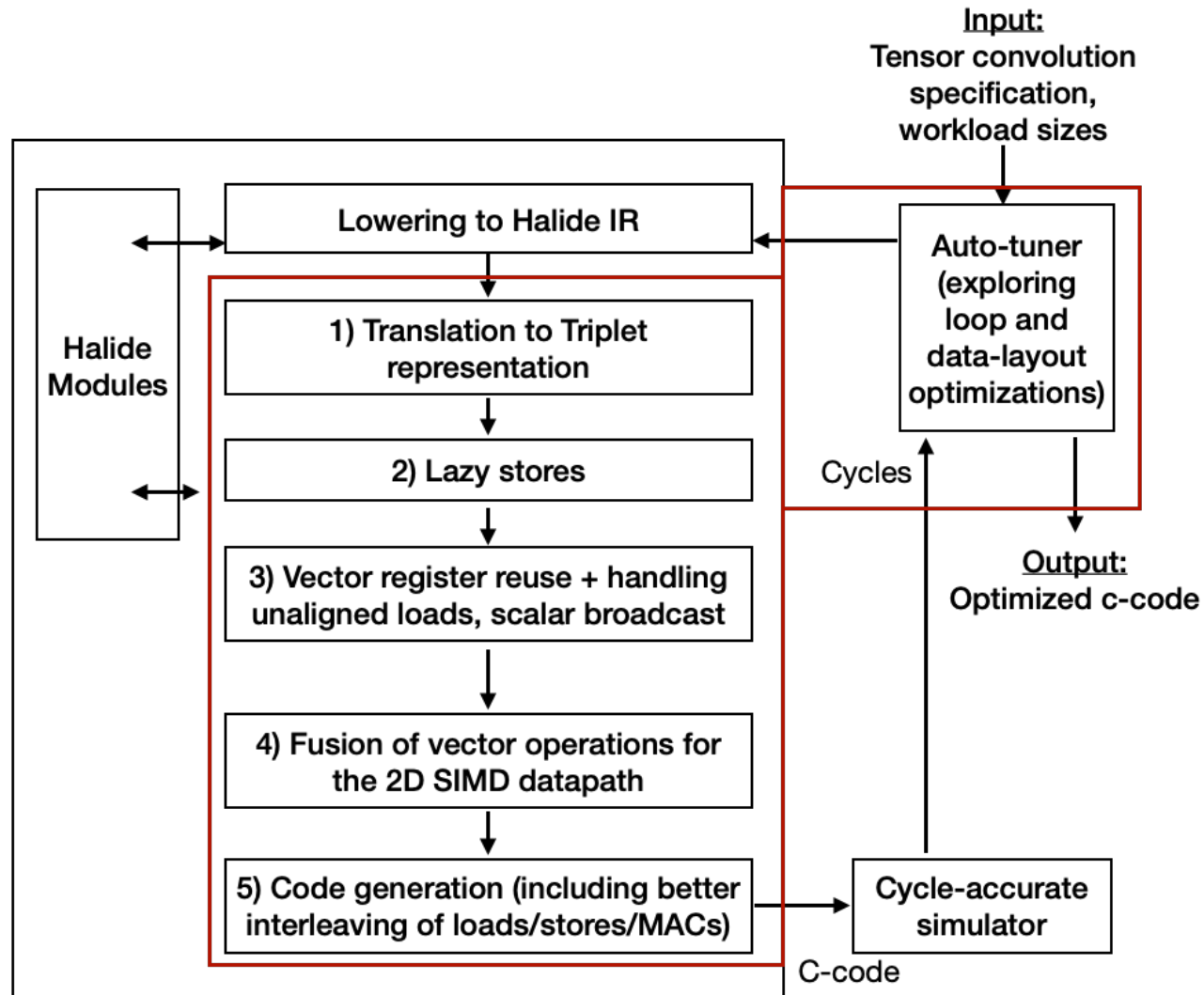
- Regular CONV1D
- Regular CONV2D
- Depth-wise CONV2D
- Transposed CONV2D
- Regular CONV3D
-

Vyasa: Generating high-performance code leveraging unique capabilities



Vyasa means “compiler” in the Sanskrit language, and also refers to the sage who first compiled the Mahabharata.

Our high-level approach (Vyasa)



In this talk, I focus on Step-3 and Step-4 leveraging Shuffle Network and 2D SIMD datapath!

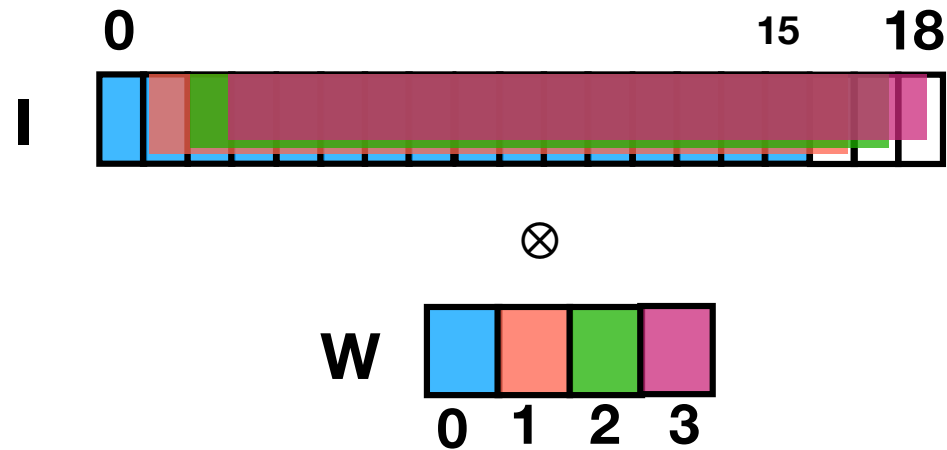
Running Example – CONV1D



```
for(x=0; x < 16; x++)
  for(w=0; w < 4; w++)
    O[x] += I[x+w]*W[w];
```

A sample schedule: Unroll w-loop and Vectorize x-loop (VLEN: 16)

```
O(0:15) += W(0) * I(0:15)
O(0:15) += W(1) * I(1:16)
O(0:15) += W(2) * I(2:17)
O(0:15) += W(3) * I(3:18)
```



Challenges

$O(0:15) += W(0) * I(0:15)$

$O(0:15) += W(1) * I(1:16)$

$O(0:15) += W(2) * I(2:17)$

$O(0:15) += W(3) * I(3:18)$

$V1 = VLOAD(I, 0:15);$

$V2 = BROADCAST(W, 0);$

$V3 = VMAC(V1, V2);$

$V4 = VLOAD(I, 1:16);$

$V5 = BROADCAST(W, 1);$

$V3 = VMAC(V3, V4, V5);$

$V6 = VLOAD(I, 2:17);$

$V7 = BROADCAST(W, 2);$

$V3 = VMAC(V3, V6, V7);$

$V8 = VLOAD(I, 3:18);$

$V9 = BROADCAST(W, 3);$

$V3 = VMAC(V3, V8, V9);$

$VSTORE(O, 0:15, V3);$

No support for unaligned loads

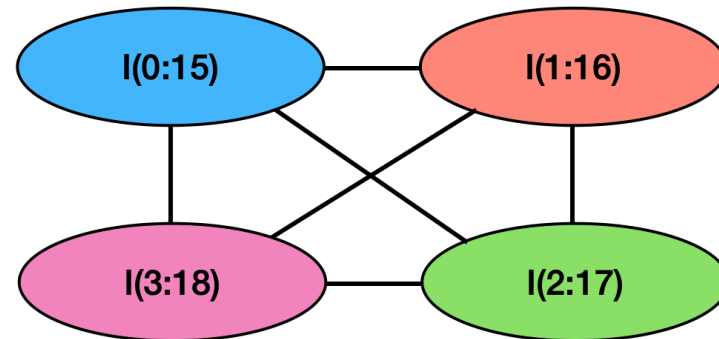
No support for broadcast operations

*V6 and V8 have 15 elements in common.
How to reuse them without loading again?*

*How to exploit multiple columns
of 2D vector substrate?*

Exploiting Vector Register Reuse

$O(0:15) += W(0) * I(0:15)$
 $O(0:15) += W(1) * I(1:16)$
 $O(0:15) += W(2) * I(2:17)$
 $O(0:15) += W(3) * I(3:18)$



**Connected component
V1 – I(0:31)**

- Build “*temporal reuse graph*” with nodes being vector loads
 - Edge exists b/w nodes if there is at least one element in common
- Identify connected components
- AI Engine allows to create logical vector registers of length up to 1024 bits
 - Assign each connected component (aligned) to a logical vector register
 - Use shuffle interconnection network to select desired elements

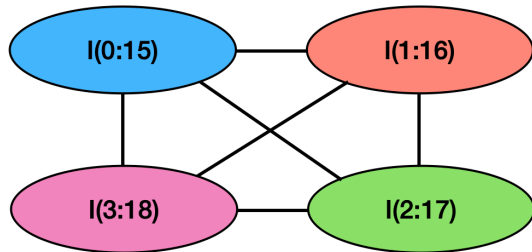
Grouping 1D Vector Operations

$$O(0:15) += W(0) * I(0:15)$$

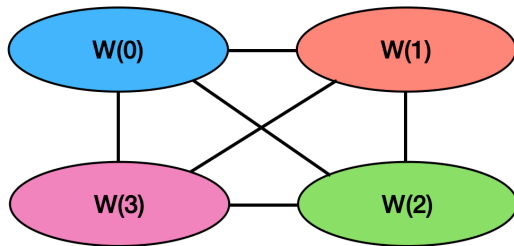
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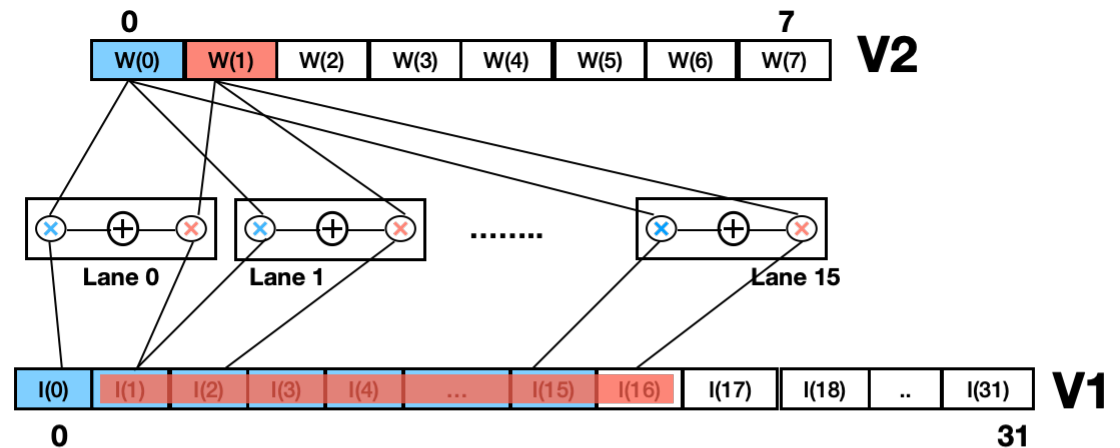
$$O(0:15) += W(3) * I(3:18)$$



Connected component
V1 – I(0:31)



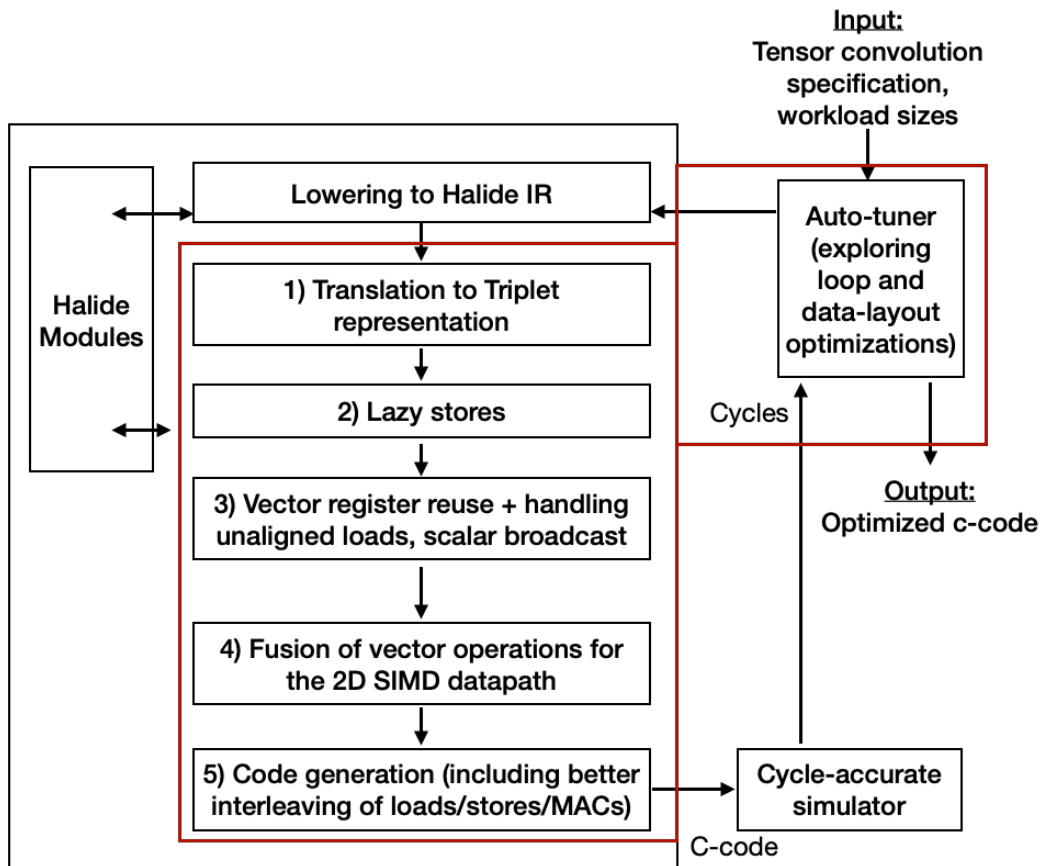
Connected component
V2 – W(0:7)



$$\text{a) } O(0:15) = W(0) * I(0:15) + W(1) * I(1:16)$$

All the 4 operations are performed with a single load of V1 and V2 (reusing maximum)

Our high-level approach (Vyasa)



Auto-tuner explores the space of schedules related to loop and data-layouts.

Loop transformations:

1. Choice of vectorization loop
2. Loop reordering
3. Loop unroll and jam

Data-layout choices:

1. Data permutation
2. Data tiling (blocking)

We assume that workload memory footprint fits into a AI Engine local scratchpad memory (128KB)

Evaluation

- **CONV2D workloads (only for this talk)**

- CONV2D in Computer Vision (CV)

HALIDE CODE: $O(x, y) += W(r, s) * I(x+r, y+s);$

- CONV2D in DNNs

HALIDE CODE: $O(x, y, k, n) += W(r, s, c, k) * I(x+r, y+s, c, n);$

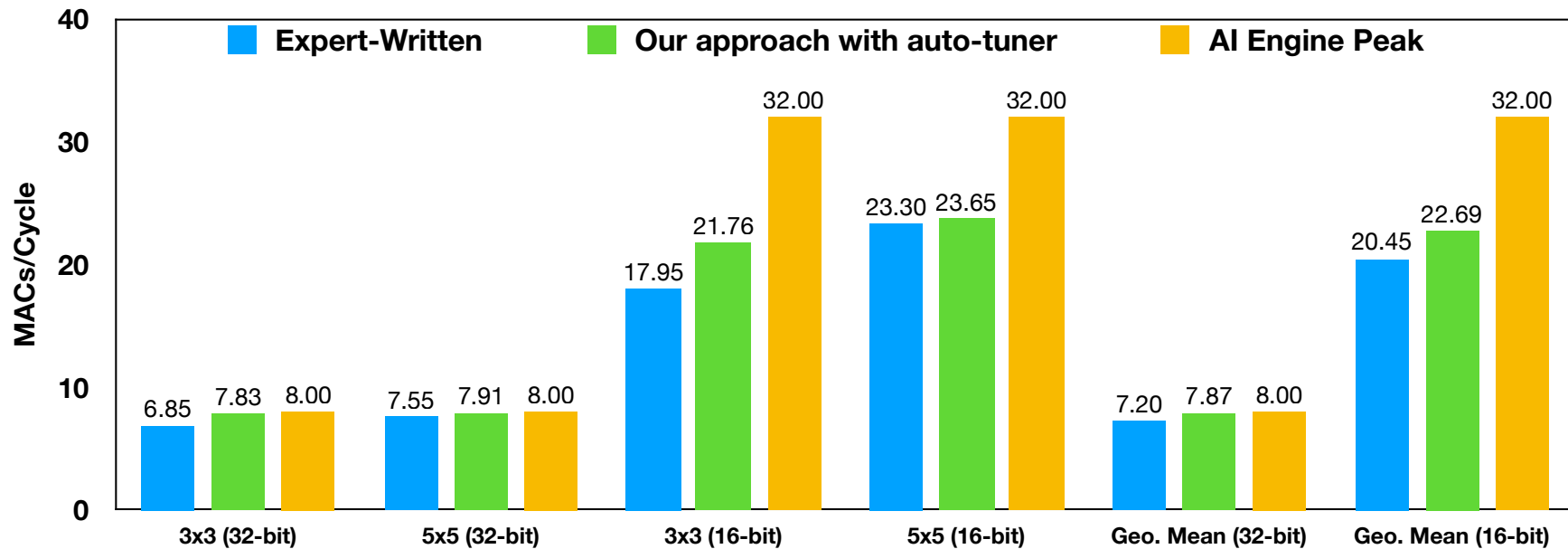
- **AI Engine setup**

Parameter	32-bit	16-bit
2D SIMD data path	8 x 1	16 x 2
Peak compute	8 MACs/cycle	32 MACs/cycle
Scratchpad memory	128 KB @ 96B/cycle	
Scratchpad memory ports	32B 2 read and 1 write	
Vector register file	256 B	

- **Comparison variants**

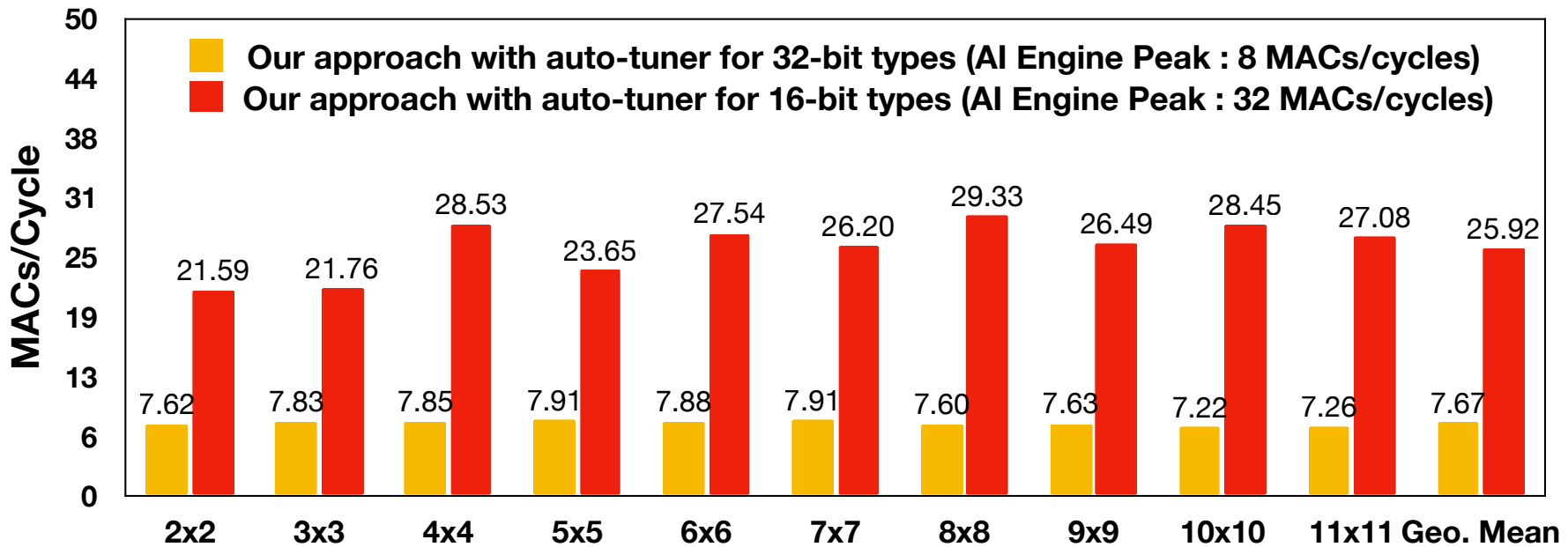
- Roofline peak
 - 32-bit types: 8 MACs/cycle, 16-bit types: 32 MACs/cycle
- Expert-written and tuned kernels for Computer Vision

Comparison with expert-codes (CV)



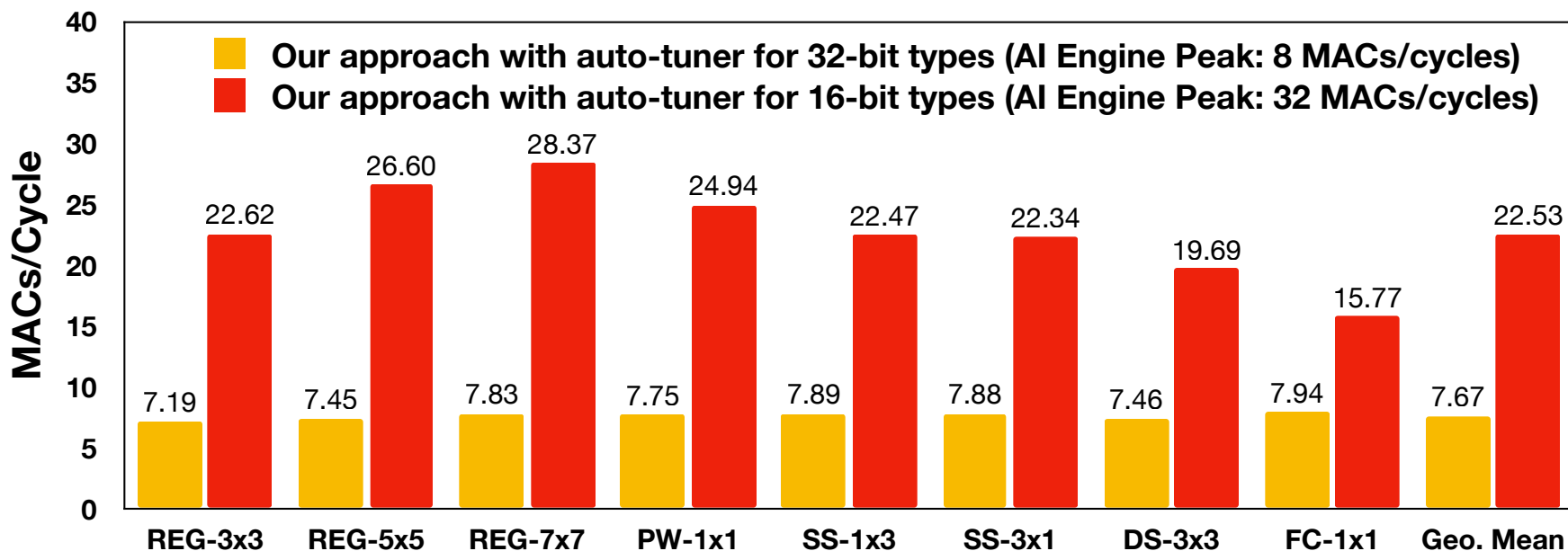
- *Expert-written codes* are available only for 3x3 and 5x5 filters
 - Available as part of the Xilinx's AI Engine compiler infrastructure
 - Evaluation is over an image tile of 256x16
- *Auto-tuner was able to find better schedules*
 - Especially non-trivial unroll and jam factors

Different filter sizes in CV domain



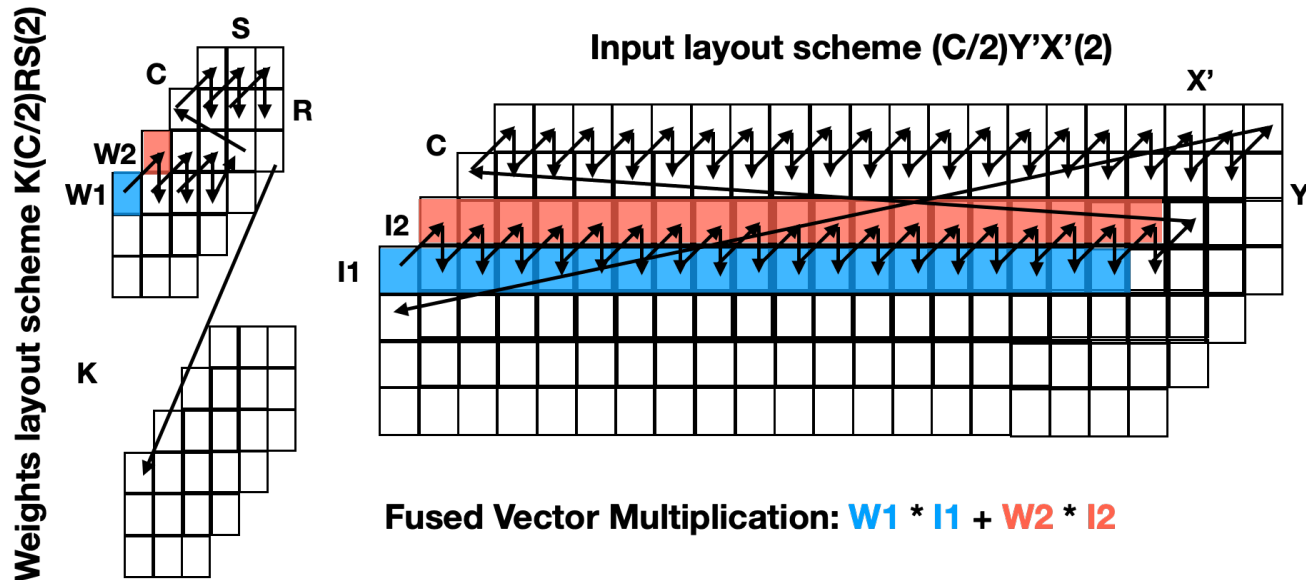
- *Even-sized filters (except 2x2), our approach achieved close to peak*
 - 87% for 16-bit and 95% for 32-bit
- *Odd-sized filters, our approach padded each row with an additional column*
 - For 16-bit type, number of reductions should be multiple of two (2 columns)

CONV2D's in DNN's (Batch size : 1)



- *Evaluation over an image tile of 128x2x16 (except for FC)*
- *REG-CONV2D (3x3, 5x5, 7x7)*
 - Vectorization along Output width and Reduction along Filter channels
- *PW-CONV2D (1x1), SS-CONV2D (1x3, 3x1), FC-CONV2D (1x1)*
 - Vectorization along Output channels and Reduction along Filter channels
- *DS-CONV2D (3x3) — Padded each row*
 - Vectorization along Output width and Reduction along Filter width

Non-trivial data-layout choices



- 16-bit *REG-CONV2D* (3x3)
 - Vectorization along Output width and Reduction along Filter channels
 - For the fused vector operation ($W1 \times I1 + W2 \times I2$)
 - Data for ($I1, I2$) should be in a single vector register for the operation
 - $I1(0)$ and $I2(0)$ should be adjacent for shuffle network constraints
 - $(C/2)Y'X'(2)$ refers to first laying out an input block of two channels followed by width, height, and remaining channels.

Summary and Related Work

- ***Summary***

- Manually writing vector code for high-performant tensor convolutions achieving peak performance is extremely challenging!
- **Domain-specific compilation can be the key!**
 - Proposed a convolution-specific IR for easier analysis and transformations
 - Our approach (Vyasa) can work for any convolution variant regardless of its variations and shapes/sizes.
 - Achieved close to the peak performance for a variety of tensor convolutions

- ***Related work***

- 2D SIMD data paths and shuffle networks are unique
- AFWK, vector unit of PEPSC architecture is the only closely related work
 - A greedy approach in their compiler to identify back to back dependent operations to map to their hardware.

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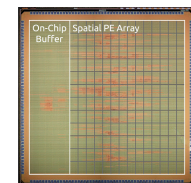
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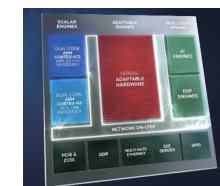
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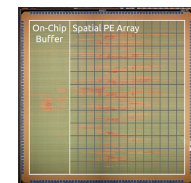
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