

STR2RTS: Refactored StreamIT benchmarks into statically analyzable parallel benchmarks for WCET estimation & real-time scheduling

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Context

Multi-core embedded real-time systems

Scheduling/mapping applications on target architecture

Need to evaluate new scheduling/mapping techniques

Scheduling algorithms evaluation

- **Schedulability analysis**
Use mathematical formulas to prove schedulability

- **Implementation-based**
 - Virtual: Simulate the schedule's result from algorithm
 - Real: Implement the scheduling algorithm on a platform

Task-set required at any evaluation level

High-level requirements

- Unbiased task-set
- Representative case
- Must be reproducible/reusable by others
- Independent from particular runtime/architecture

Task model properties

- Dependent and/or Independent
- Periodic and/or Sporadic
- Single-/Multi-graph
- Mixed-criticality

Task-level properties

- Worst-Case Execution Time (WCET)
(source code, loop bounds, ...)
- Memory demand
- Periodicity
- Deadline
- Precedence relationship
- ...

Usable Existing Solutions Summary

	Synthetic	Real application	
Independent	Uunifast [1]	Task-set generator from TACleBench [3]	Periodic
	Uunifast [1]	Mälardalen [4] combination	Sporadic
Dependent	TGFF [2]	Debie [5], Papabench [6], Rosace [7]	Single-graph
	TGFF [2]		Multi-graph

Other existing benchmarks suites

- No design for multi-core
- No structured C source code
- No identified Tasks and dependency
- Under licence

SPEC CPU 2006, PolyBench, ParMiBench, JemBench, ParaSuite, StreamIT, Parsec, UTDSP, ...

TACleBench suite: not enough parallel benchmarks

STR2RTS: STReamit to Real Time System

StreamIT background

Programming language & compilation
infrastructure
Benchmark suite

Static structure of streaming applications
graph of filters (fork-join graph)

Fixed data-rate known at compile time

Multi-level exploitable parallelism

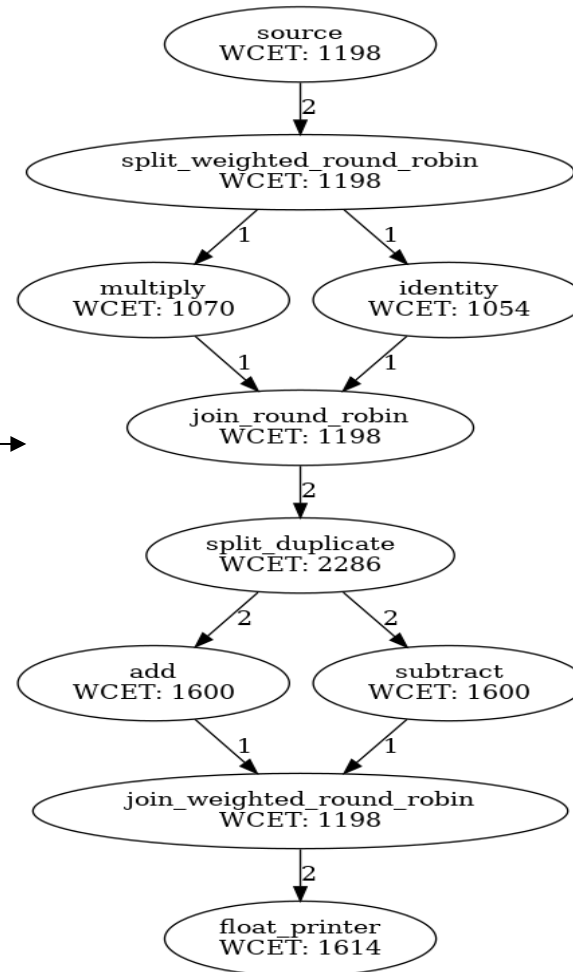
data, task, iteration parallelism (pipelining)

Example of StreamIt benchmark: radix-2 case of a Fast Fourier Transform

```

void->void pipeline FFT4 {
  add OneSource();
  add FFTKernel(2);
  add FloatPrinter();
}
float->float pipeline FFTKernel (int N) {
  for (int i=1; i<N; i*=2) {
    add Butterfly(i, N);
  }
}
float->float pipeline Butterfly (int N, int W) {
  add splitjoin {
    split roundrobin(N, N);
    add Identity<Float>();
    add Multiply();
    join roundrobin();
  };
  add splitjoin {
    split duplicate;
    add Add();
    add Subtract();
    join roundrobin(N, N);
  };
};
void->float filter OneSource {
  work push 1 { push(1); }
}
float->float filter Multiply {
  work push 1 pop 1 { push(2 * pop()); }
}
float->float filter Add {
  work push 1 pop 2 {
    push(peek(0) + peek(1));
    pop();
    pop();
  }
}
float->float filter Subtract {
  work push 1 pop 2 {
    push(peek(0) - peek(1));
    pop();
    pop();
  }
}
float->void filter FloatPrinter {
  work pop 1 { println(pop()); }
}

```



What we propose

Dependent tasks represented by a single-graph
a description of the task's dependency (XML file)

Every information to compute a static WCET is available
structured C source code, loop bounds (C source file)

Example of STR2RTS benchmark: radix-2 case of a Fast Fourier Transform

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<appl>
  <tasks>
    <task id="Split2DUPLICATE" WCET="2286">
      <prev id="Join1ROUND_ROBIN" data-sent="2" data-type="float" />
    </task>
    <task id="Join2WEIGHTED_ROUND_ROBIN" WCET="1380">
      <prev id="Add" data-sent="1" data-type="float" />
      <prev id="Subtract" data-sent="1" data-type="float" />
    </task>
    <task id="Add" WCET="1600">
      <prev id="Split2DUPLICATE" data-sent="2" data-type="float" />
    </task>
    <task id="Subtract" WCET="1600">
      <prev id="Split2DUPLICATE" data-sent="2" data-type="float" />
    </task>
    <task id="FloatPrinter" WCET="1614">
      <prev id="Join2WEIGHTED_ROUND_ROBIN" data-sent="2" data-type="float" />
    </task>
    <task id="OneSource" WCET="1198"></task>
    <task id="Split1WEIGHTED_ROUND_ROBIN" WCET="1380">
      <prev id="OneSource" data-sent="2" data-type="float" />
    </task>
    <task id="Join1ROUND_ROBIN" WCET="1198">
      <prev id="Identity" data-sent="1" data-type="float" />
      <prev id="Multiply" data-sent="1" data-type="float" />
    </task>
    <task id="Identity" WCET="1054">
      <prev id="Split1WEIGHTED_ROUND_ROBIN" data-sent="1" data-type="float" />
    </task>
    <task id="Multiply" WCET="1070">
      <prev id="Split1WEIGHTED_ROUND_ROBIN" data-sent="1" data-type="float" />
    </task>
  </tasks>
  <processors>
    <!-- processor list parameters -->
  </processors>
  <config>
    <!-- scheduler configuration -->
  </config>
</appl>
```

```
#include "FFT4.h"
void fft4_one_source() { ... }
void fft4_identity() { ... }
void fft4_multiply() { ... }
void fft4_add() {
  _Pragma("Loopbound min "GLOBAL_N/2" max "GLOBAL_N/2)
  for(int i=0 ; i < GLOBAL_N/2 ; i++) {
    float v1 = pop_float(&AddBuf.buffer_in);
    float v2 = pop_float(&AddBuf.buffer_in);
    push_float(&AddBuf.buffer_out, v1+v2);
  }
}
void fft4_subtract() { ... }
void fft4_float_printer() { ... }
void fft4_init() { ... }
void fft4_split1_weighted_round_robin( uint32_t nb ) { ... }
void fft4_join1_round_robin() { ... }
void fft4_split2_duplicate() { ... }
void fft4_join2_weighted_round_robin( uint32_t nb ) { ... }
int sequential_main( int argv, char **argc ) {
  fft4_init(); |\label{lst:ex-c:ini}|
  _Pragma("loopbound min "MAX_ITERATION" max "MAX_ITERATION)
  for( int i=0 ; i < MAX_ITERATION ; i++ ) {
    fft4_one_source();
  _Pragma("loopbound min "(GLOBAL_N/2-1)" max "(GLOBAL_N/2-1))
  for( int j = 1 ; j < GLOBAL_N ; j *= 2 ) {
    fft4_split1_weighted_round_robin(j);
    fft4_identity();
    fft4_multiply();
    fft4_join1_round_robin();
    fft4_split2_duplicate();
    fft4_add();
    fft4_subtract();
    fft4_join2_weighted_round_robin(j);
  }
  fft4_float_printer();
} |\label{lst:ex-c:m:lo}|
return EXIT_SUCCESS;
} |
```

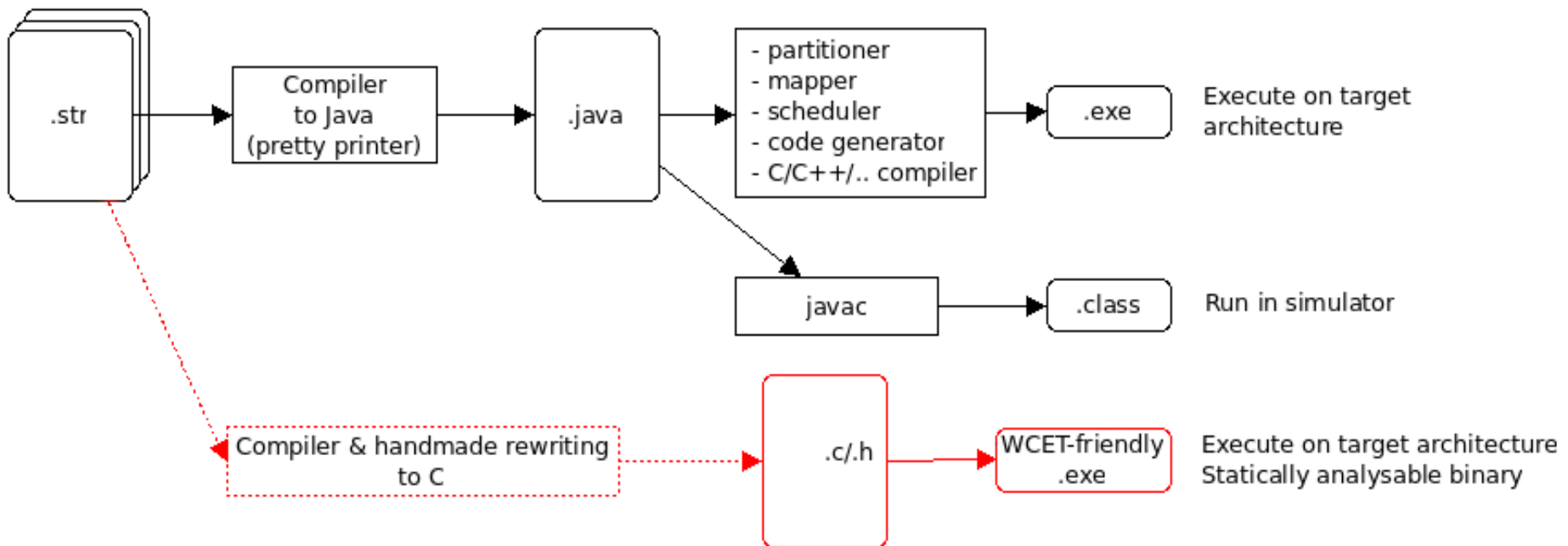
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</task>
<task id="Add" WCET="1600">
  <prev id="Split2DUPLICATE" data-sent="2" data-type="float" />
</task>
<task id="Subtract" WCET="1600">
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</task>
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    float v1 = pop_float(&AddBuf.buffer_in);  
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    push_float(&AddBuf.buffer_out, v1+v2);  
  }  
}
```

Exploiting the StreamIT infrastructure



Available benchmarks

11 benchmarks

Name	#tasks	Width	WCET	Data	#Basic blocks
			(cycles)	(tokens)	
			<avg, standard deviation>		
802.11a <i>6/9/12/18/24/36</i>	[119;132]	[7;18]	2.39e5, 6.35e5	596, 2238	1584
Audiobeam	20	15	273, 1094	3, 5	386
Beamformer	56	12	1.25e4, 9.65e4	4.6, 10	459
CFAR	4	1	1.58e4, 1.55e4	288, 425	375
Complex-FIR	3	1	501, 655	1.3, 0	336
DCT2	40	16	1.69e4, 3958	57.6, 91	437
DES	423	8	2045, 1417	35.7, 29	621
FFT2	26	2	2.94e5, 3.03e5	137.8, 49	477
FFT4	42	2	1337, 450	23.6, 8	566
FilterBankNew	52	6	6315, 8306	8.9, 11	446
FMRadio	43	12	1632, 2234	1.6, 1	486

Properties of available benchmarks

Name	Use math library	Use I/O file	Two versions / code reuse
802.11a	yes	no	yes
Audiobeam	yes	yes	no
Beamformer	yes	no	no
CFAR	yes	no	no
Complex-FIR	no	yes	no
DCT2	yes	yes	no
DES	no	no	yes
FFT2	yes	no	no
FFT4	no	no	no
FilterBankNew	no	no	no
FMRadio	yes	no	no

How to

<https://gitlab.inria.fr/brouxel/STR2RTS>

Usage

To have the list of compilable benchmarks:

```
$ make
```

To compile Audiobeam pre-configured with 15mics for your host machine:

```
$ make audiobeam_15mics
```

To compile Audiobeam pre-configured with 15mics for MIPS32 architecture:

```
$ make TARGET=mips audiobeam_15mics
```

... or modify the default value for target in config.mk

This will create an executable "audiobeam_15mics-mips" in directory "dist".

```
$ make WCETTOOL=heptane TARGET=mips audiobeam_15mics
```

To compile Audiobeam pre-configured with 15mics for MIPS32 architecture with loop bounds annotations for the WCET analysis tool Heptane.

Conclusion

Dependent tasks

Statically analyzable

XML description + structured C source

Inspired by StreamIT

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A necessary handmade step

- Hard transformation passes
- Loopbound identification
- Hard to debug compiler
- No major commit in *apps* folder on github for 6 years

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