

# **Loop Optimization - 1**

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# Common loop optimizations

- Hoisting of loop-invariant computations
  - pre-compute before entering the loop
- Elimination of induction variables
  - change  $p=i*w+b$  to  $p=b, p+=w$ , when  $w, b$  invariant
- Loop unrolling
  - to improve scheduling of the loop body

- Software pipelining
  - To improve scheduling of the loop body
- **Loop permutation**
  - to improve cache memory performance

Requires  
understanding  
data dependencies

# Data-Dependent Loop Transformations

- Goals:

- Improving Locality
- Automatic Vectorization

- Key Ideas:

- Locality
- Iteration Spaces
- Data Dependence
- Unimodular Transformations
- Other Transformations

Loop  
Transformation  
Theory

# Plan

- Review Locality
- Iteration spaces
- Dependency analysis
- Transformations
  - interchange
  - reversal
  - skewing
  - Tiling
- A Data Locality Optimizing Algorithm, Wolf&Lam
- Automatic Vectorization

# Today

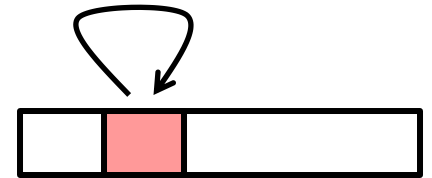
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# Recall: Locality

- **Principle of Locality:** Programs tend to use data and instructions with addresses near or equal to those they have used recently

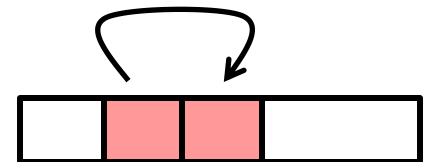
- **Temporal locality:**

- Recently referenced items are likely to be referenced again in the near future

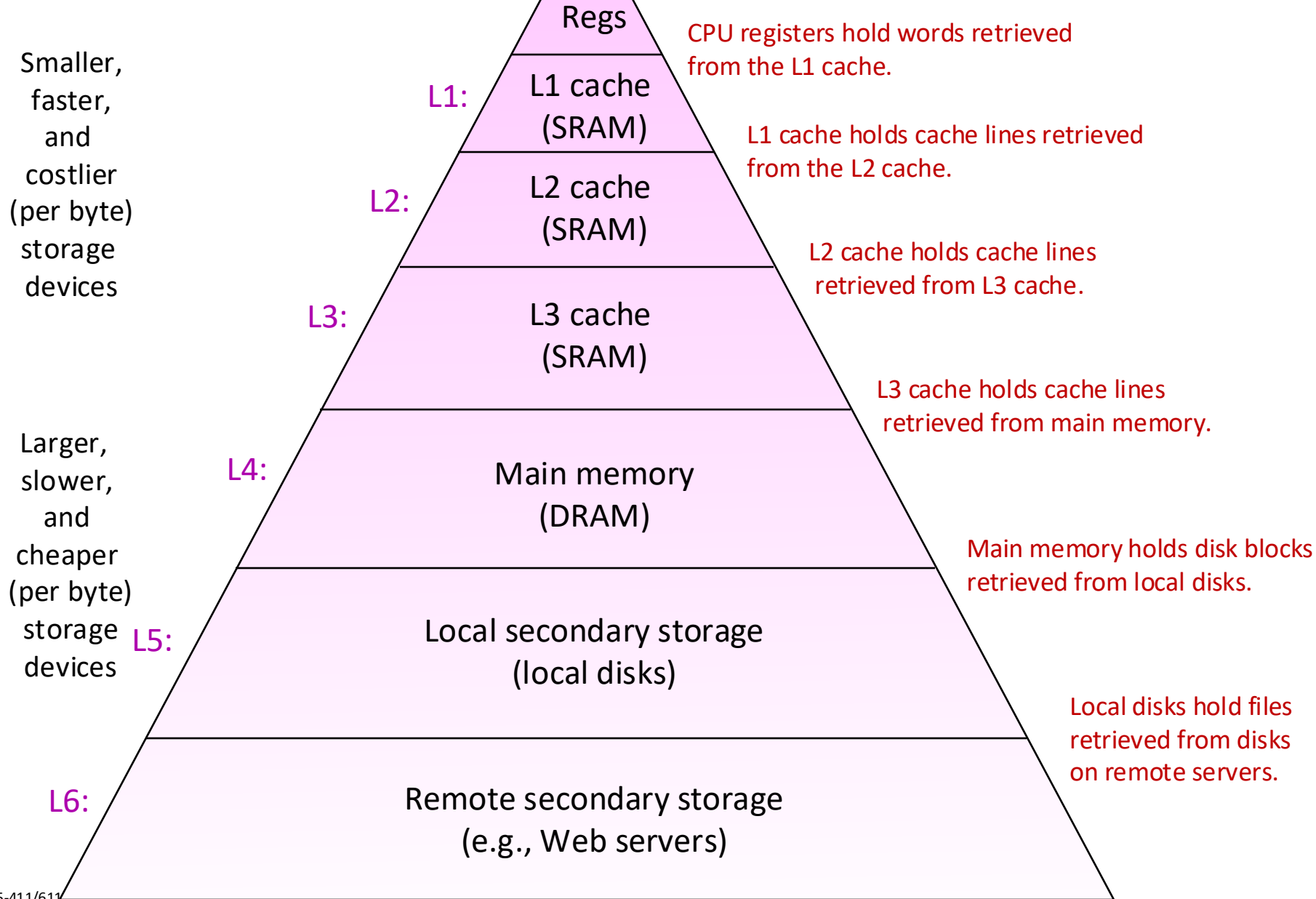


- **Spatial locality:**

- Items with nearby addresses tend to be referenced close together in time



# Recall: Memory Hierarchy



# Layout of C Arrays in Memory

- C arrays allocated in row-major order
  - each row in contiguous memory locations
- Stepping through columns in one row:
  - **for** (**i** = 0; **i** < **N**; **i**++)  
    **sum** += **a**[0][**i**];
  - accesses successive elements
  - if block size ( $B$ ) >  $\text{sizeof}(a_{ij})$  bytes, exploit spatial locality
    - miss rate =  $\text{sizeof}(a_{ij}) / B$
- Stepping through rows in one column:
  - **for** (**i** = 0; **i** < **n**; **i**++)  
    **sum** += **a**[**i**][0];
  - accesses distant elements
  - no spatial locality!
    - miss rate = 1 (i.e. 100%)

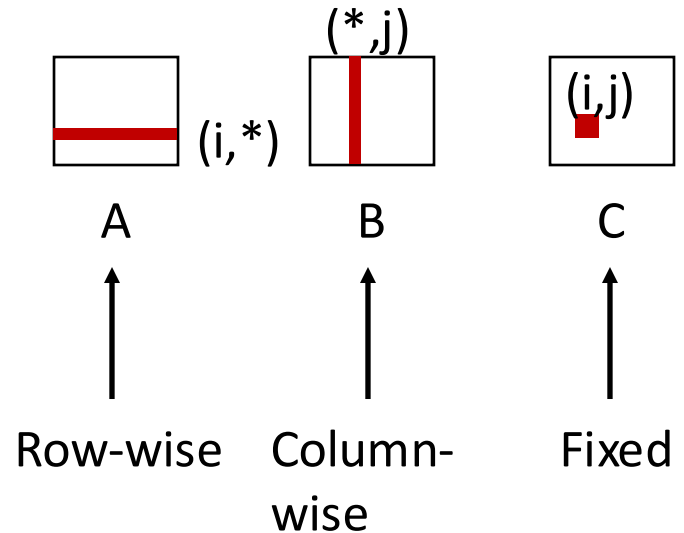


# Matrix Multiplication (ijk)

```
/* ijk */
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
    for (j=0; j<n; j++) {
        sum = 0.0;
        for (k=0; k<n; k++)
            sum += a[i][k] * b[k][j];
        c[i][j] = sum;
    }
}
```

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Inner loop:



Miss rate for inner loop iterations:

<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>
1/L	1.0	0.0

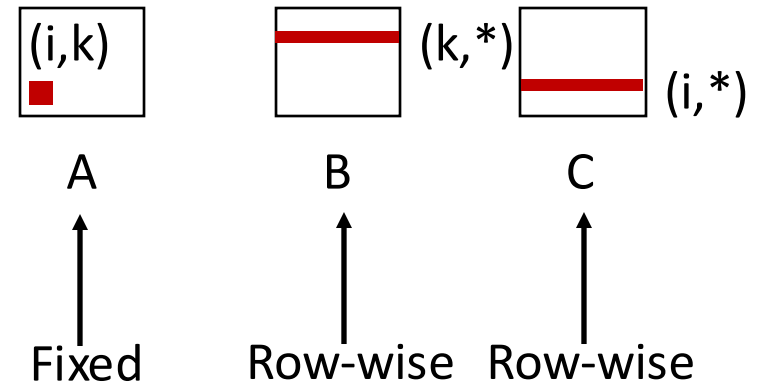
L = # of elements per cache line

# Matrix Multiplication (kij)

```
/* kij */
for (k=0; k<n; k++) {
    for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
        r = a[i][k];
        for (j=0; j<n; j++)
            c[i][j] += r * b[k][j];
    }
}
```

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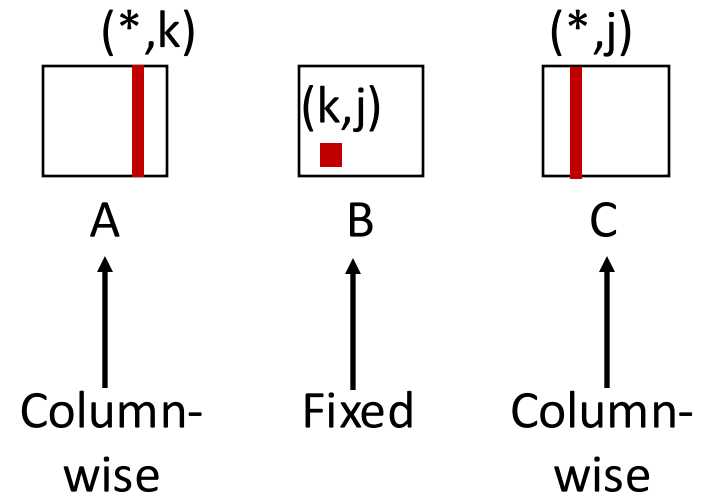
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    }
}
```

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A  
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B  
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# Summary of Matrix Multiplication

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        c[i][j] = sum;  
    }  
}
```

ijk (& jik):

- 2 loads, 0 stores
- avg misses/iter =  $1 + 1/L$

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    }  
}
```

kij (& ikj):

- 2 loads, 1 store
- avg misses/iter =  $2/L$

```
for (j=0; j<n; j++) {  
    for (k=0; k<n; k++) {  
        r = b[k][j];  
        for (i=0; i<n; i++)  
            c[i][j] += a[i][k] * r;  
    }  
}
```

jki (& kji):

- 2 loads, 1 store
- avg misses/iter = 2

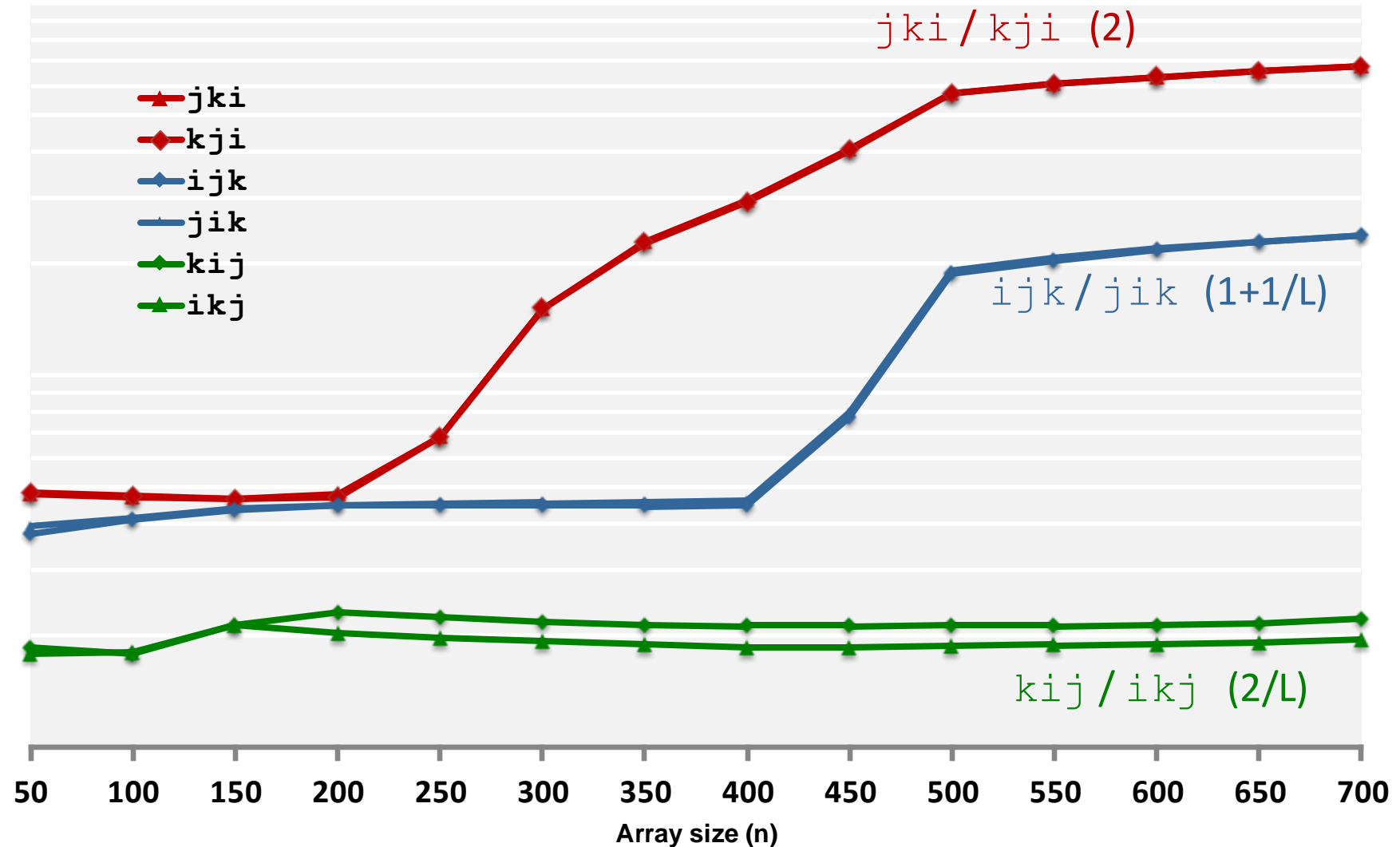
# Core i7 Matrix Multiply Performance

Cycles per inner loop iteration

100

10

1

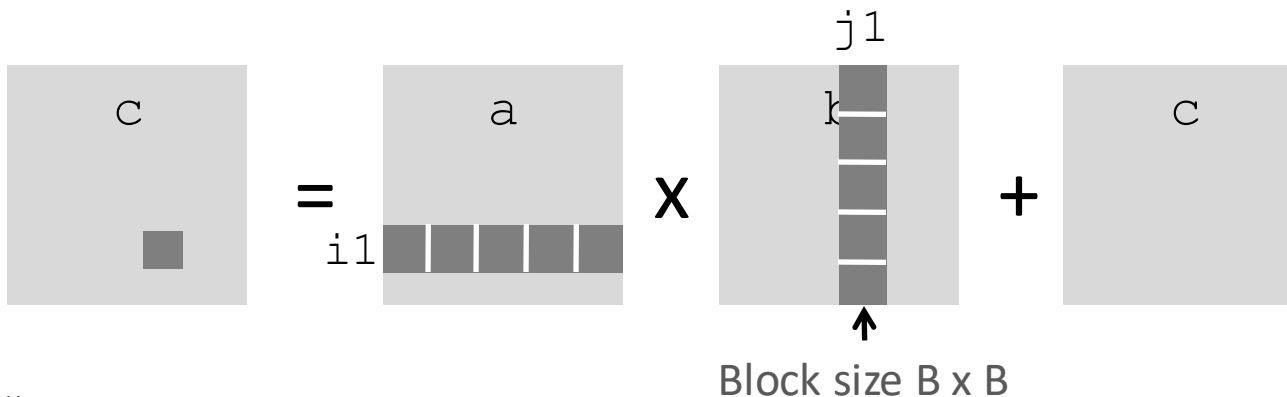


# Blocked Matrix Multiplication

```
c = (double *) calloc(sizeof(double), n*n);

/* Multiply n x n matrices a and b */
void mmm(double *a, double *b, double *c, int n) {
    int i, j, k;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i+=B)
        for (j = 0; j < n; j+=B)
            for (k = 0; k < n; k+=B)
                /* B x B mini matrix multiplications */
                for (i1 = i; i1 < i+B; i1++)
                    for (j1 = j; j1 < j+B; j1++)
                        for (k1 = k; k1 < k+B; k1++)
                            c[i1*n+j1] += a[i1*n + k1]*b[k1*n + j1];
}
```

*matmult/bmm.c*



# Blocking Summary

- No blocking:  $(9/8) n^3$  misses
  - Blocking:  $(1/(4B)) n^3$  misses
  - Use largest block  $B$ , such that  $B$  satisfies  $3B^2 < C$ 
    - Fit three blocks in cache! Two input, one output.
  - Reason for dramatic difference:
    - Matrix multiplication has inherent temporal locality:
      - Input data:  $3n^2$ , computation  $2n^3$
      - Every array elements used  $O(n)$  times!
    - But program has to be written properly
- Or, compiled properly!

# The Problem

- How to increase locality by transforming loop nest
- Matrix Mult is simple as it is both
  - legal to tile
  - advantageous to tile
- Can we determine the benefit?  
(reuse vector space and locality vector space)
- Is it legal (and if so, how) to transform loop?  
(unimodular transformations)



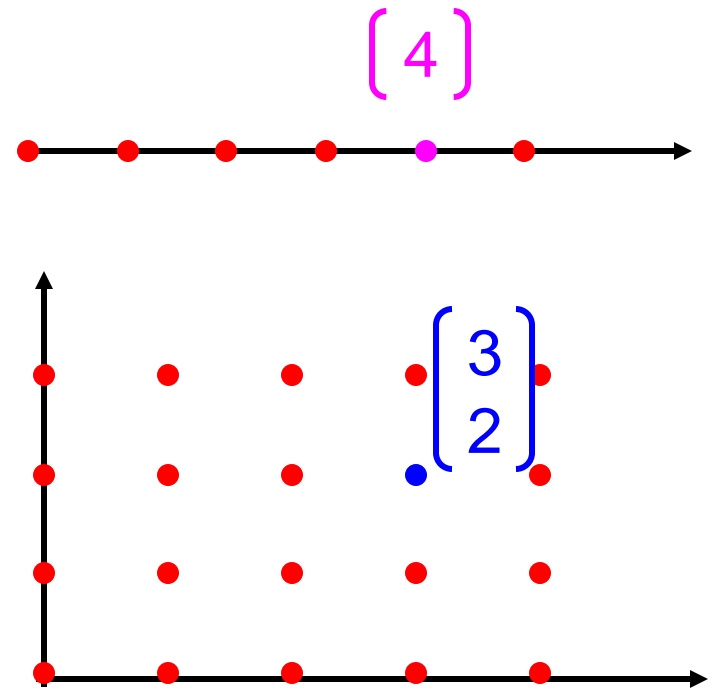
# Loop Transformation Theory

- Iteration Space
- Dependence vectors
- Unimodular transformations

# Iteration Space

Every iteration generates a point in an n-dimensional space, where n is the depth of the loop nest.

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {  
    ...  
}  
  
for (i=0; i<n; i++)  
    for (j=0; j<4; j++) {  
        ...  
    }
```



# Loop Nests and the Iter space

- General form of tightly nested loop

```
for I1 := low1 to high1 by step1
  for I2 := low2 to high2 by step2
    ...
    for Ii := lowi to highi by stepi
      ...
      for In := lown to highn by stepn
        Stmts
```

- The iteration space is a convex polyhedron in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  bounded by the loop bounds.
- Each iteration is a node in the polyhedron identified by its vector:  $\mathbf{p}=(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$

# Lexicographical Ordering

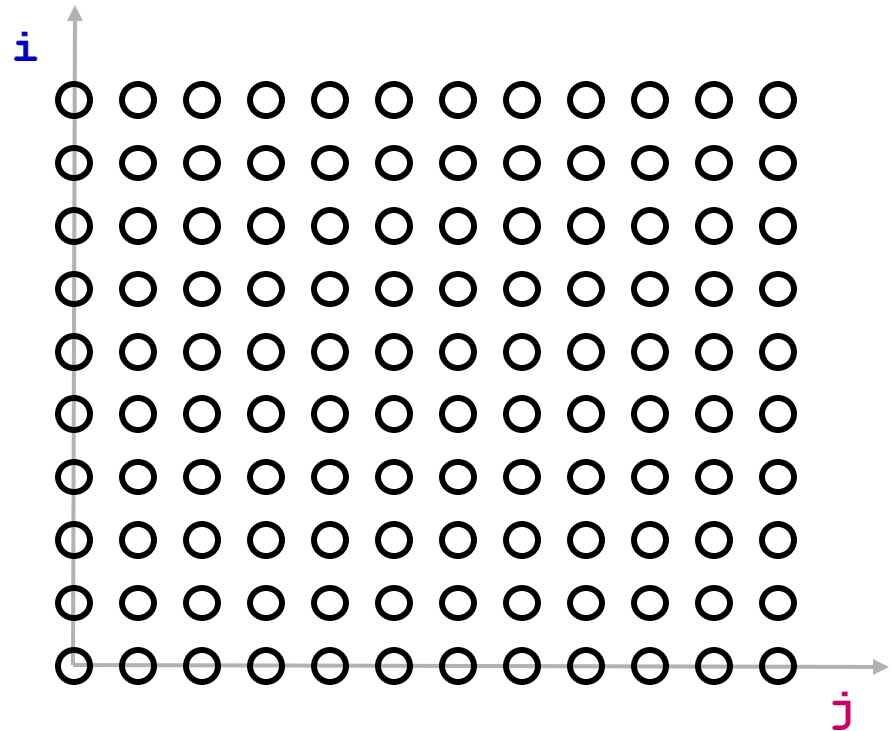
- Iterations are executed in lexicographic order.
- for  $\mathbf{p}=(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$  and  $\mathbf{q}=(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)$   
if  $\mathbf{p} \succ_k \mathbf{q}$  iff for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,

$$\forall 1 \leq i < k, (p_i = q_i) \text{ and } p_k > q_k$$

- For MM:
  - $(1,1,1), (1,1,2), (1,1,3), \dots,$   
 $(1,2,1), (1,2,2), (1,2,3), \dots,$   
 $\dots,$   
 $(2,1,1), (2,1,2), (2,1,3), \dots$
  - $(1,2,1) \succ_2 (1,1,2), (2,1,1) \succ_1 (1,4,2), \text{ etc.}$

# Handy Representation: “Iteration Space”

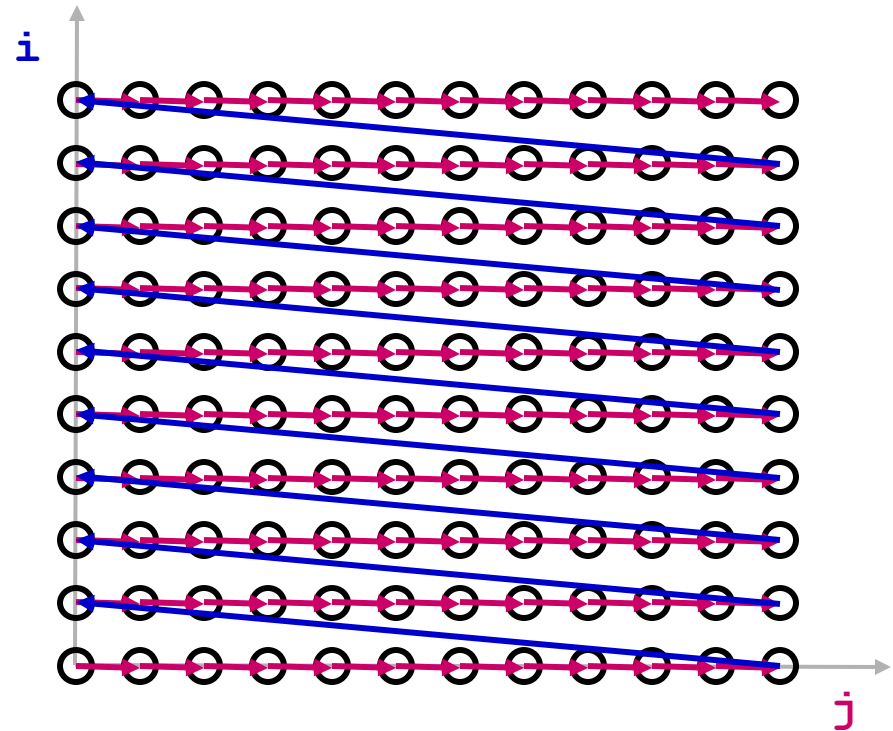
```
for i = 0 to N-1  
  for j = 0 to N-1  
    A[i][j] = B[j][i];
```



- each position represents an iteration

# Visitation Order in Iteration Space

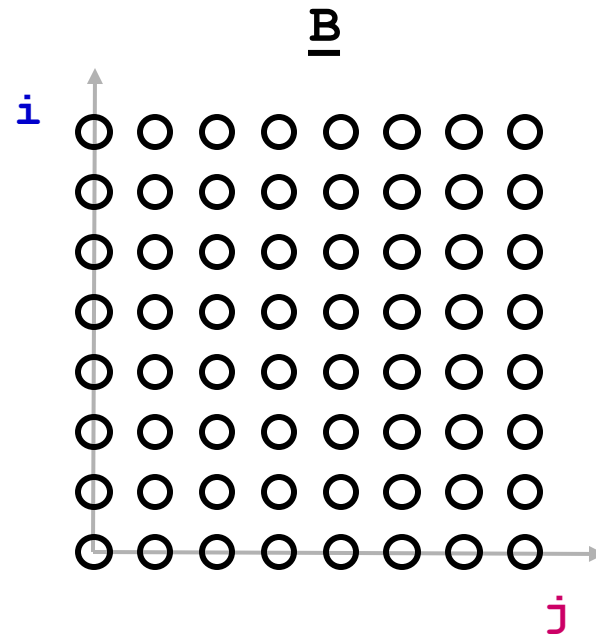
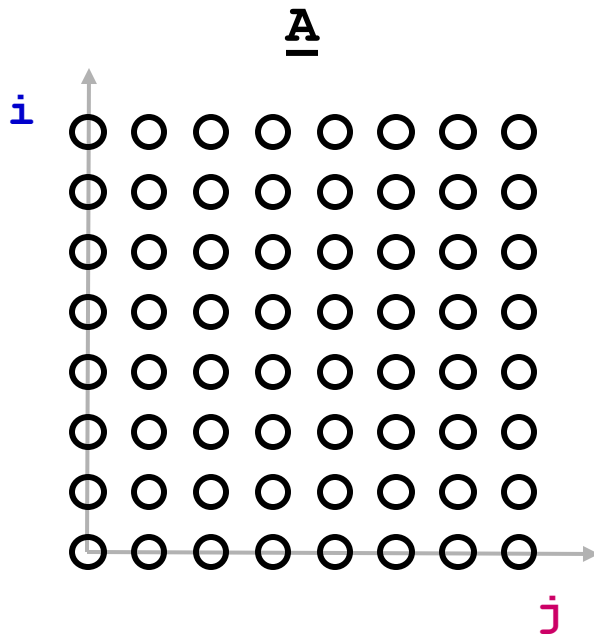
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- Note: iteration space is not data space

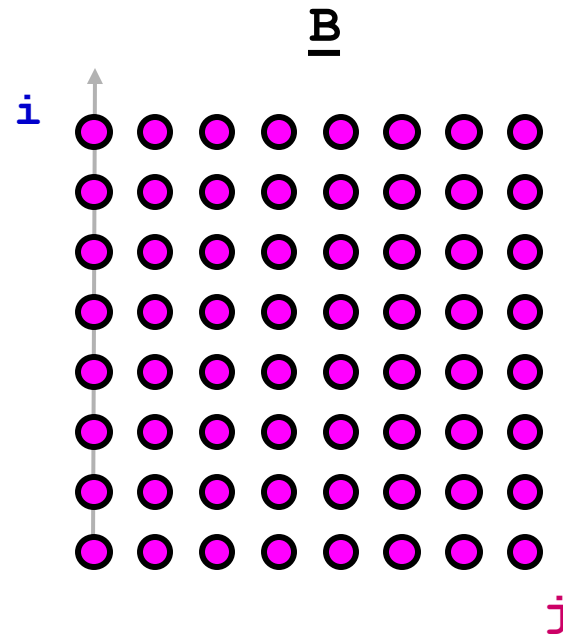
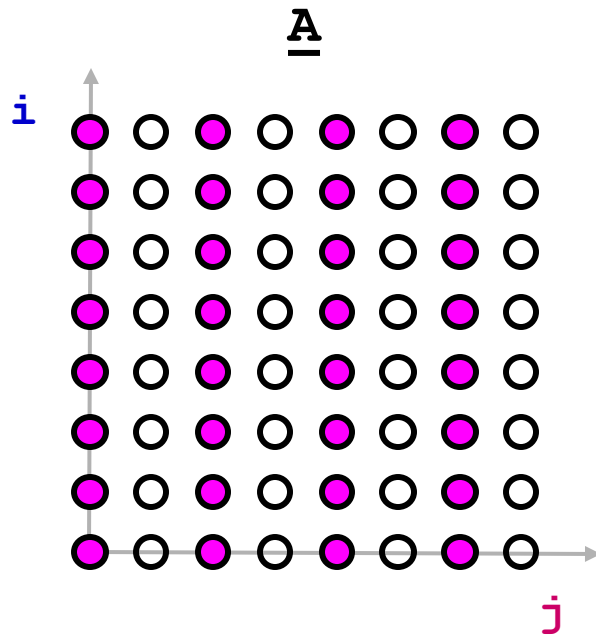
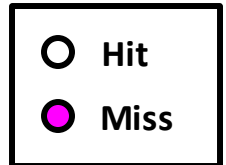
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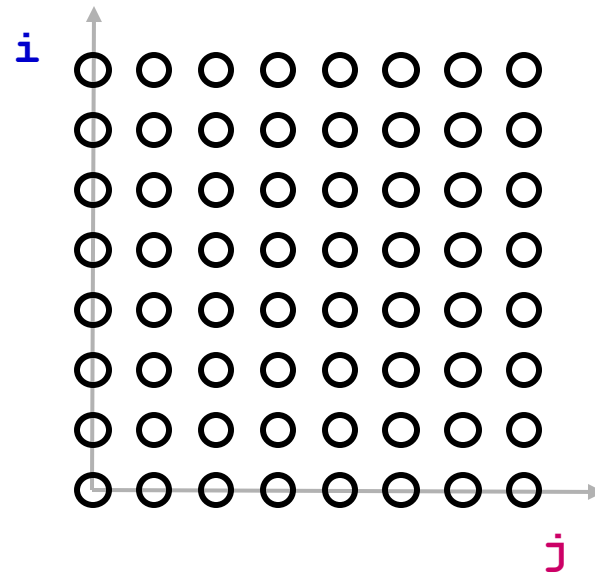
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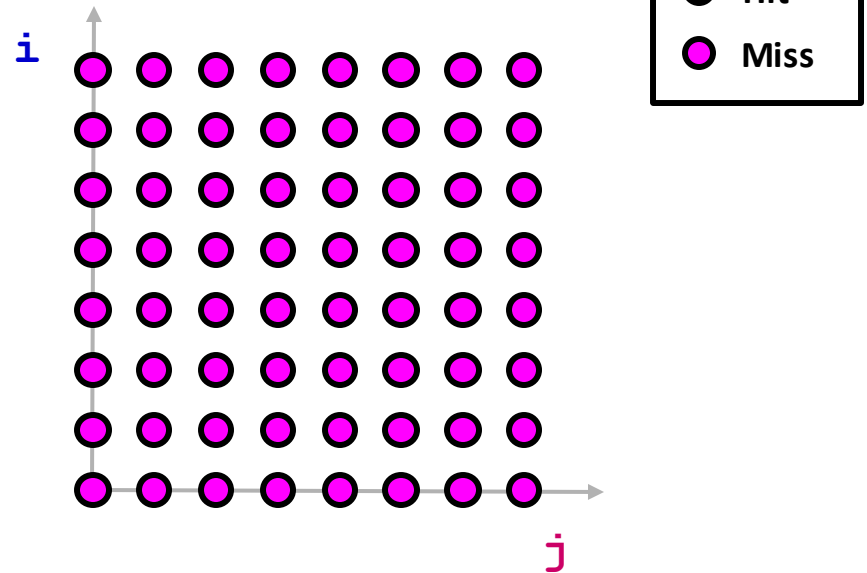
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```
for i = 0 to N-1  
  for j = 0 to N-1  
    A[i+j][0] = i*j;
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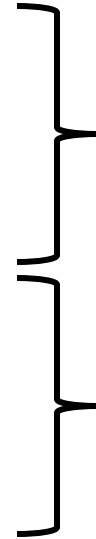


# Optimizing the Cache Behavior of Array Accesses

- We need to answer the following questions:
  - when do cache misses occur?
    - use “locality analysis”
  - can we transform loop (i.e., change the order of the iterations) to produce better behavior?
    - evaluate the cost of various alternatives
  - does the new ordering/layout still produce correct results?
    - use “dependence analysis”

# Examples of Loop Transformations

- Loop Interchange
- Cache Blocking
- Skewing
- Loop Reversal
- ...



Can improve locality

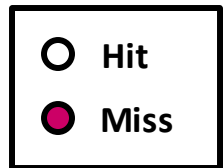
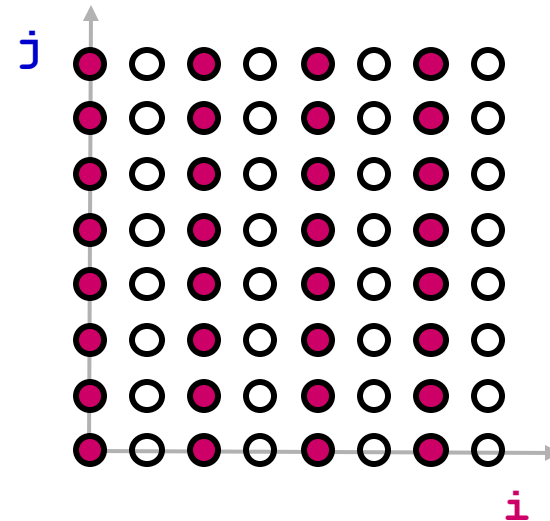
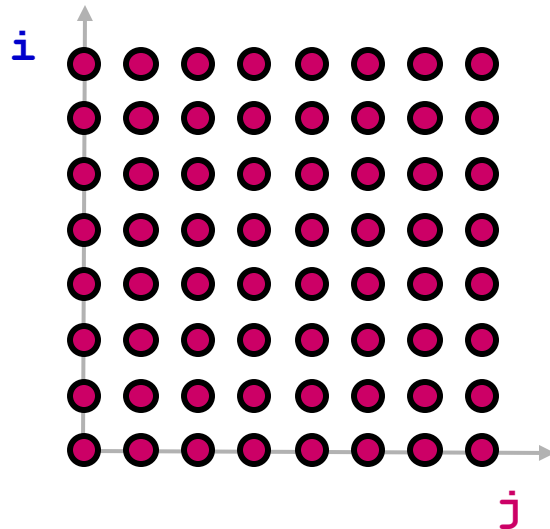
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# Loop Interchange

```
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    A[j][i] = i*j;
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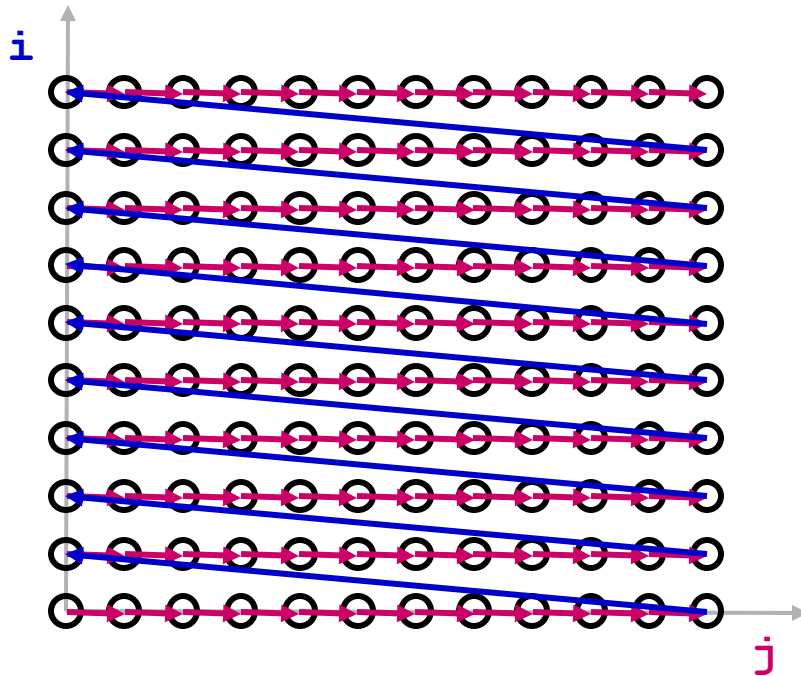
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for j = 0 to N-1  
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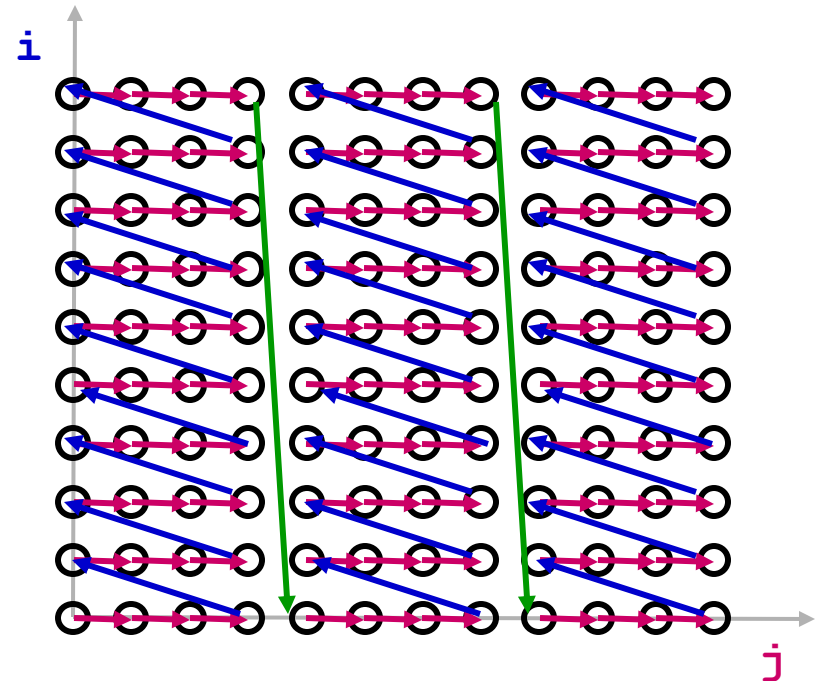
- *(assuming N is large relative to cache size)*

# Impact on Visitation Order in Iteration Space

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



```
for JJ = 0 to N-1 by B
  for i = 0 to N-1
    for j = JJ to max(N-1, JJ+B-1)
      f(A[i],A[j]);
```



# Dependencies in Loops

- **Loop independent** data dependence occurs between accesses in the **same** loop iteration.
- **Loop-carried** data dependence occurs between accesses across **different** loop iterations.
- There is data dependence between access **a** at iteration **i-k** and access **b** at iteration **i** when:
  - **a** and **b** access the same memory location
  - There is a path from **a** to **b**
  - Either **a** or **b** is a write

# Defining Dependencies

• Flow Dependence	$W \rightarrow R$	$\delta^f$	} true
• Anti-Dependence	$R \rightarrow W$	$\delta^a$	
• Output Dependence	$W \rightarrow W$	$\delta^o$	

S1)  $a=0$  ;  
S2)  $b=a$  ;  
S3)  $c=a+d+e$  ;  
S4)  $d=b$  ;  
S5)  $b=5+e$  ;

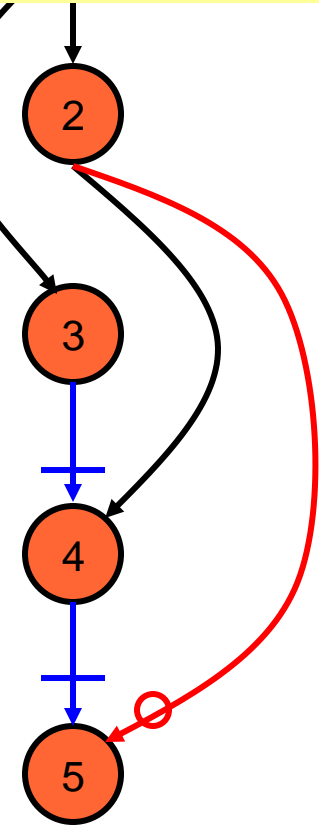


# Example Dependencies

S1)  $a=0$  ;  
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S3)  $c=a+d+e$  ;  
S4)  $d=b$  ;  
S5)  $b=5+e$  ;

These are scalar dependencies. The same idea holds for memory accesses.

<u>source</u>	<u>type</u>	<u>target</u>	<u>due to</u>
S1	$\delta^f$	S2	a
S1	$\delta^f$	S3	a
S2	$\delta^f$	S4	b
S3	$\delta^a$	S4	d
S4	$\delta^a$	S5	b
S2	$\delta^o$	S5	b



What can we do with this information?  
What are anti- and flow- called “false” dependencies?

# Data Dependence in Loops

- Dependence can flow across iterations of the loop.
- Dependence information is annotated with iteration information.
- If dependence is across iterations it is **loop carried** otherwise **loop independent**.

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for (i=0; i<n; i++) {  
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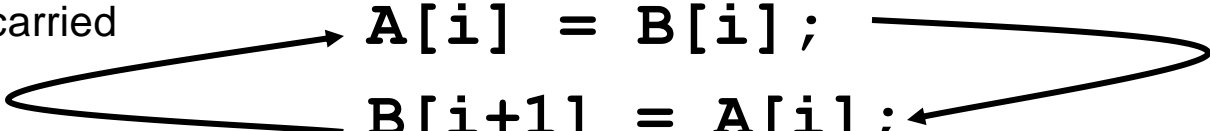
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$\delta^f$  loop carried

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# Unroll Loop to Find Dependencies

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {  
    A[i] = B[i];  
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}
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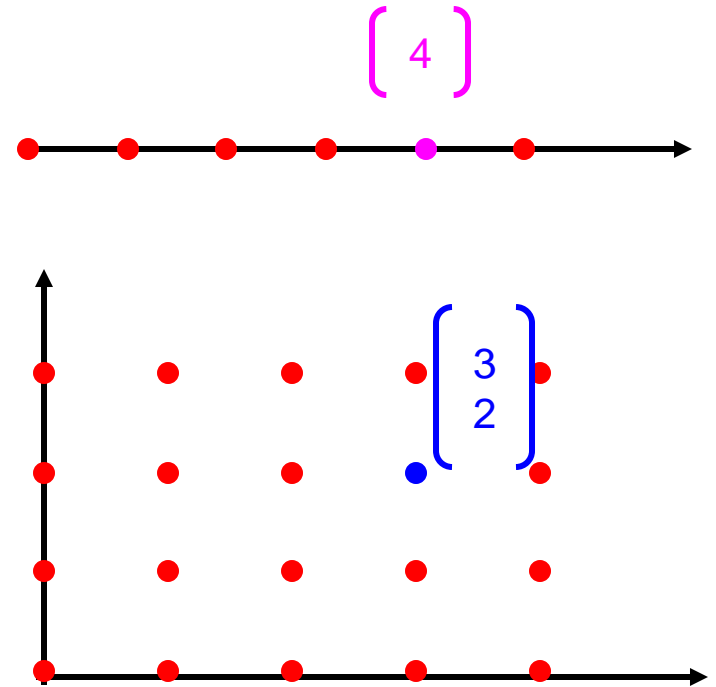
A[0]	=	B[0];	}	i=0
B[1]	=	A[0];		
A[1]	=	B[1];	}	i=1
B[2]	=	A[1];		
A[2]	=	B[2];	}	i=2
B[3]	=	A[2];		
⋮				

Distance/Direction of the dependence is also important.

# Iteration Space

Every iteration generates a point in an n-dimensional space, where n is the depth of the loop nest.

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {  
    ...  
}  
  
for (i=0; i<n; i++)  
    for (j=0; j<4; j++) {  
        ...  
    }
```



# Distance Vector

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {  
    A[i] = B[i];  
    B[i+1] = A[i];  
}
```

Distance vector is the difference between the target and source iterations.

$A[0] = B[0];$	}	$i=0$
$B[1] = A[0];$		
$A[1] = B[1];$	}	$i=1$
$B[2] = A[1];$		
$A[2] = B[2];$	}	$i=2$
$B[3] = A[2];$		
$\vdots$		

$$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{l}_t - \mathbf{l}_s$$

Exactly the distance of the dependence, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{l}_s + \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{l}_t$$

# Example of Distance Vectors

```

for (i=0; i<n; i++)
  for (j=0; j<m; j++) {
    A[i,j] =      ;
      = A[i,j];
    B[i,j+1] =    ;
      = B[i,j];
    C[i+1,j] =    ;
      = C[i,j+1] ;
  }

```

j

$A_{0,2} = A_{0,2}$ $B_{0,3} = B_{0,2}$ $C_{1,2} = C_{0,3}$	$A_{1,2} = A_{1,2}$ $B_{1,3} = B_{1,2}$ $C_{2,2} = C_{1,3}$	$A_{2,2} = A_{2,2}$ $B_{2,3} = B_{2,2}$ $C_{3,2} = C_{2,3}$
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A yields:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

B yields:  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

C yields:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$



# Uniformly Generated references

- $f$  and  $g$  are indexing functions:  $Z^n \rightarrow Z^d$ 
  - $n$  is depth of loop nest
  - $d$  is dimensions of array,  $A$
- Two references  $A[f(i)]$  and  $A[g(i)]$  are uniformly generated if

$$f(i) = Hi + c_f \text{ AND } g(i) = Hi + c_g$$

- $H$  is a linear transform
- $c_f$  and  $c_g$  are constant vectors

# Eg of Uniformly generated sets

These references all belong to the same  
uniformly generated set:  $H = [0 \ 1]$

for  $I_1 := 0$  to 5

for  $I_2 := 0$  to 6

$$A[I_2 + 1] = 1/3 * (A[I_2] + A[I_2 + 1] + A[I_2 + 2])$$

$$A[I_2 + 1] \quad [0 \ 1] \begin{pmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \end{pmatrix} + [1]$$

$$A[I_2] \quad [0 \ 1] \begin{pmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \end{pmatrix} + [0]$$

$$A[I_2 + 2] \quad [0 \ 1] \begin{pmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \end{pmatrix} + [2]$$

# Data Dependences

**Loop carried:** between two statements instances in two different iterations of a loop.

**Loop independent:** between two statements instances in the same loop iteration.

**Lexically forward:** the source comes before the target .

**Lexically backward:** otherwise.

The right-hand side of an assignment is considered to precede the left-hand side.

# Lexicographic Order

## Example of vectors

Consider the vectors **a** and **b** below :

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We say that **a** is lexicographically less than **b** at level 3,  $\mathbf{a} \prec_3 \mathbf{b}$ , or simply that  $\mathbf{a} \prec \mathbf{b}$ .

Both **a** and **b** are lexicographically positive because  $\mathbf{0} \prec \mathbf{a}$ , and  $\mathbf{0} \prec \mathbf{b}$ .

# Dependence Vectors

- Dependence vector in an n-nested loop is denoted as a vector:  $\mathbf{d}=(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$ .
- Each  $d_i$  is a possibly infinite range of ints in  $\llbracket d_i^{\min}, d_i^{\max} \rrbracket$ , where
 
$$d_i^{\min} \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{-\infty\}, d_i^{\max} \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\} \text{ and } d_i^{\min} \leq d_i^{\max}$$
- So, a single dep vector represents a set of distance vectors.
- A distance vector defines a distance in the iteration space.
- A dependence vector is a distance vector if each  $d_i$  is a singleton.

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# Other defs

- Common ranges in dependence vectors
  - $[1, \infty]$  as + or >
  - $[-\infty, -1]$  as – or <
  - $[-\infty, \infty]$  as  $\pm$  or \*
- A distance vector is the difference between the target and source iterations (for a dependent ref), e.g.,  
$$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{l}_t - \mathbf{l}_s$$

# Examples

```

for I1 := 1 to n
  for I2 := 1 to n
    for I3 := 1 to n
      C[I1, I3] += A[I1, I2] * B[I2, I3]

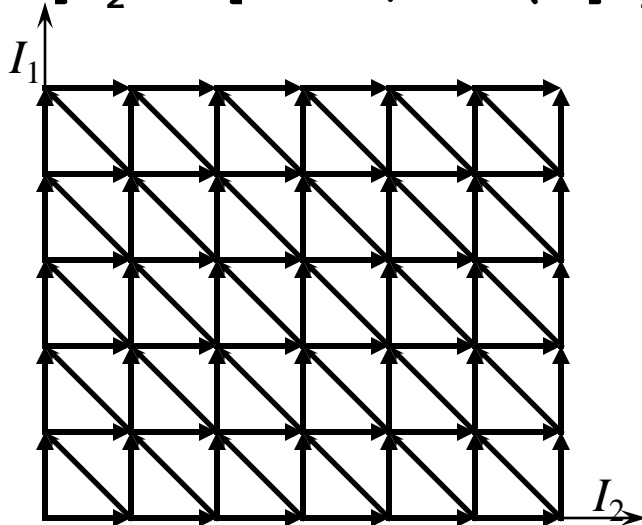
```

(0, 1, 0)

```

for I1 := 0 to 5
  for I2 := 0 to 6
    A[I2 + 1] := 1/3 * (A[I2] + A[I2 + 1] + A[I2 + 2])

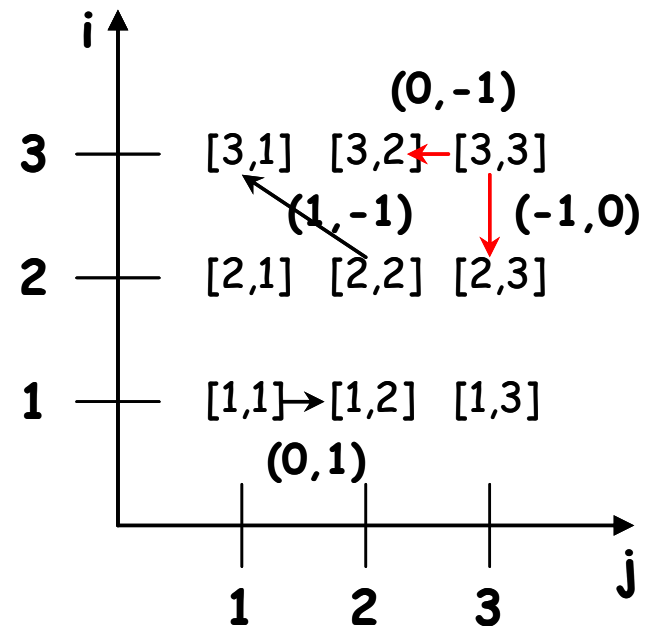
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$D = \{(0,1), (1,0), (1,-1)\}$

# Plausible Dependence vectors

- A dependence vector is plausible iff it is lexicographically non-negative.
- All sequential programs have plausible dependence vectors. Why?
- Plausible:  $(1, -1)$
- implausible  $(-1, 0)$

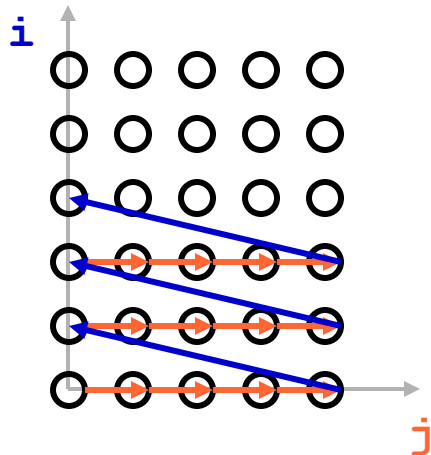




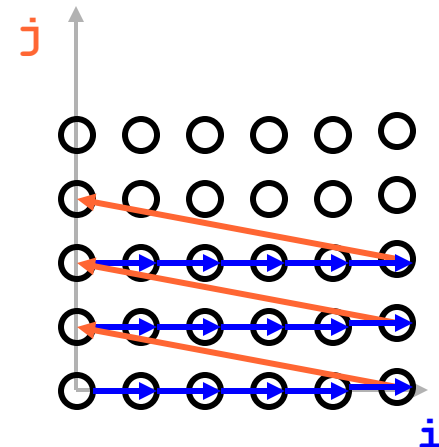
# Loop Transforms

- A loop transformation changes the order in which iterations in the iteration space are visited.
- For example, Loop Interchange

```
for i := 0 to n  
  for j := 0 to m  
    body
```



```
for j := 0 to m  
  for i := 0 to n  
    body
```




# Unimodular Transforms

- Interchange  
permute nesting order
- Reversal  
reverse order of iterations
- Skewing  
scale iterations by an outer loop index

# Interchange

- Change order of loops
- For some permutation  $p$  of  $1 \dots n$

```
for I1 := ...  
  for I2 := ...  
    ...  
      for In := ...  
        body
```



```
for Ip(1) := ...  
  for Ip(2) := ...  
    ...  
      for Ip(n) := ...  
        body
```

- When is this legal?

# Transform and matrix notation

- If dependences are vectors in iter space, then transforms can be represented as matrix transforms
- E.g., for a 2-deep loop, interchange is:

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_2 \\ p_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Since, T is a linear transform,  $T\mathbf{d}$  is transformed dependence:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_2 \\ d_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Reversal

- Reversal of  $i^{\text{th}}$  loop reverses its traversal, so it can be represented as:

# Reversal

- Reversal of  $i^{\text{th}}$  loop reverses its traversal, so it can be represented as:  
Diagonal matrix with  $i^{\text{th}}$  element = -1.
- For 2 deep loop, reversal of outermost is:

$$T \equiv \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} -p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Skewing

- Skew loop  $I_j$  by a factor  $f$  w.r.t. loop  $I_i$  maps

$$(p_1, \dots, p_i, \dots, p_j, \dots) \quad (p_1, \dots, p_i, \dots, p_j + fp_i, \dots)$$

- Example for 2D

$$T \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 + p_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

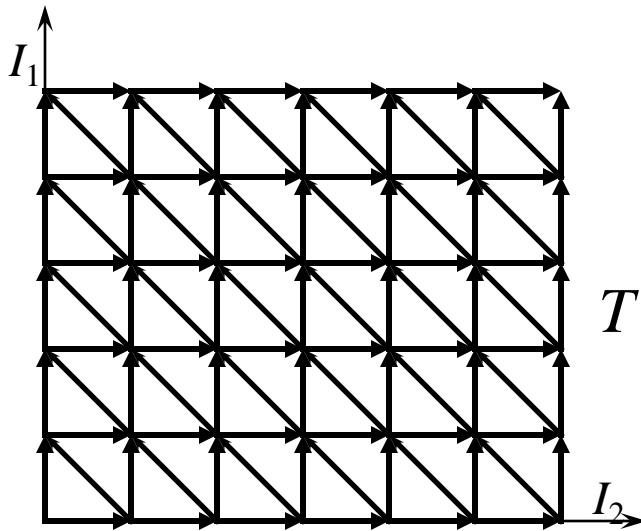
# Loop Skewing Example

```
for I1 := 0 to 5
```

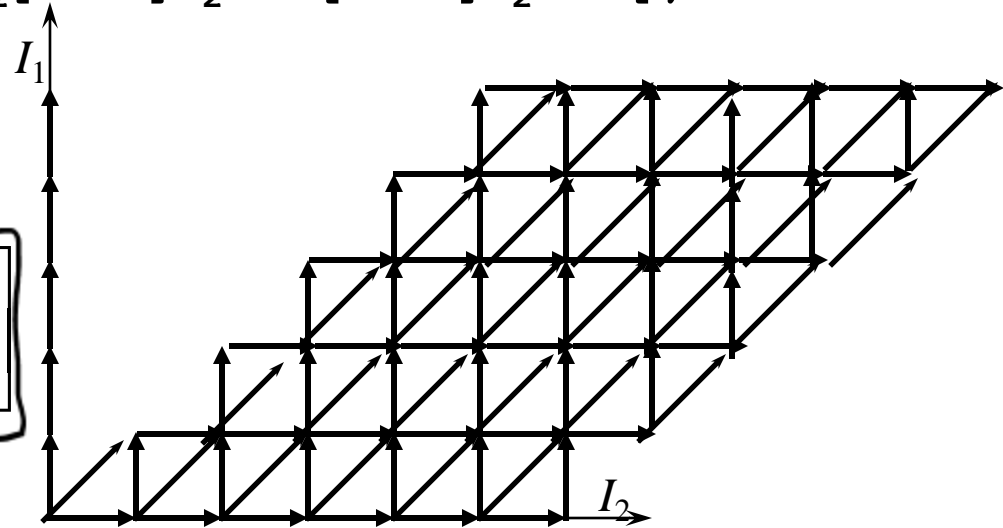
```
  for I2 := 0 to 6
```

```
    A[I2 + 1] := 1/3 * (A[I2] + A[I2 + 1] + A[I2 + 2])
```

$D=\{(0,1),(1,0),(1,-1)\}$



$$T \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



```
for I1 := 0 to 5
```

```
  for I2 := I1 to 6+I1
```

```
    A[I2-I1+1] := 1/3 * (A[I2-I1] + A[I2-I1+ 1] + A[I2-I1+ 2])
```

$D=\{(0,1),(1,1),(1,0)\}$



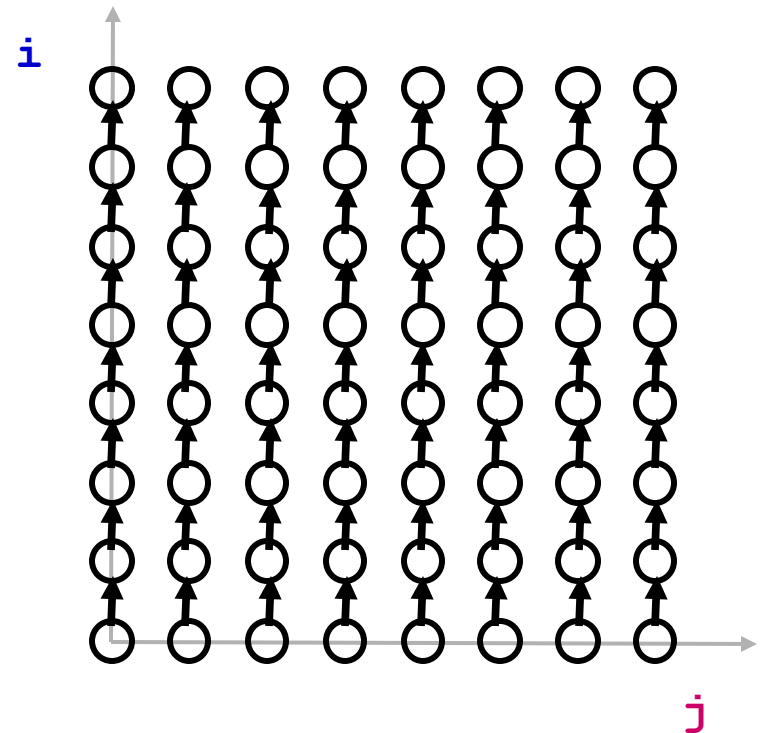
# But...is the transform legal?

- Distance/direction vectors give a partial order among points in the iteration space
- A loop transform changes the order in which 'points' are visited
- The new visit order must respect the dependence partial order!

# But...is the transform legal?

- Loop reversal ok?
- Loop interchange ok?

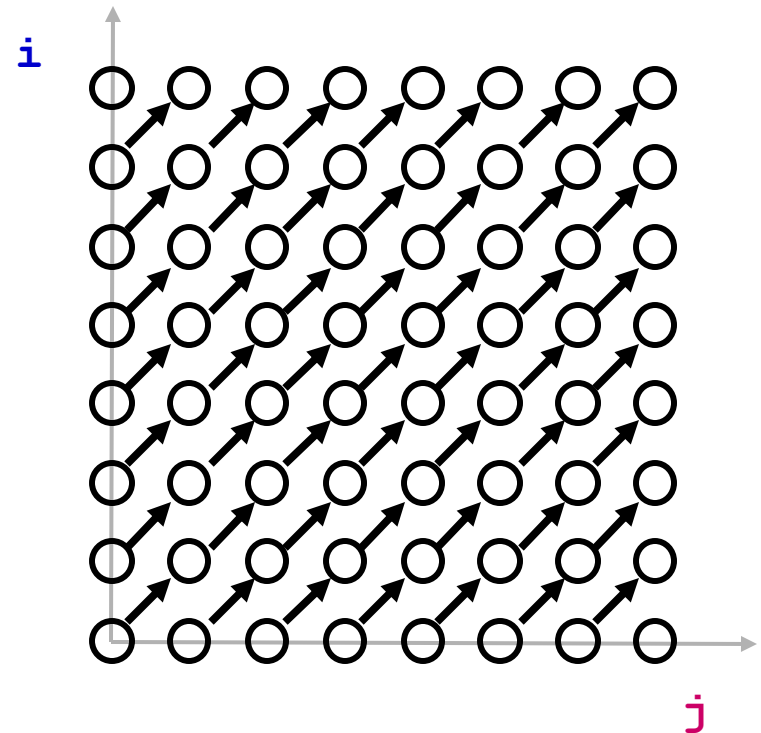
```
for i = 0 to N-1  
  for j = 0 to N-1  
    A[i+1][j] += A[i][j];
```



# But...is the transform legal?

- Loop reversal ok?
- Loop interchange ok?

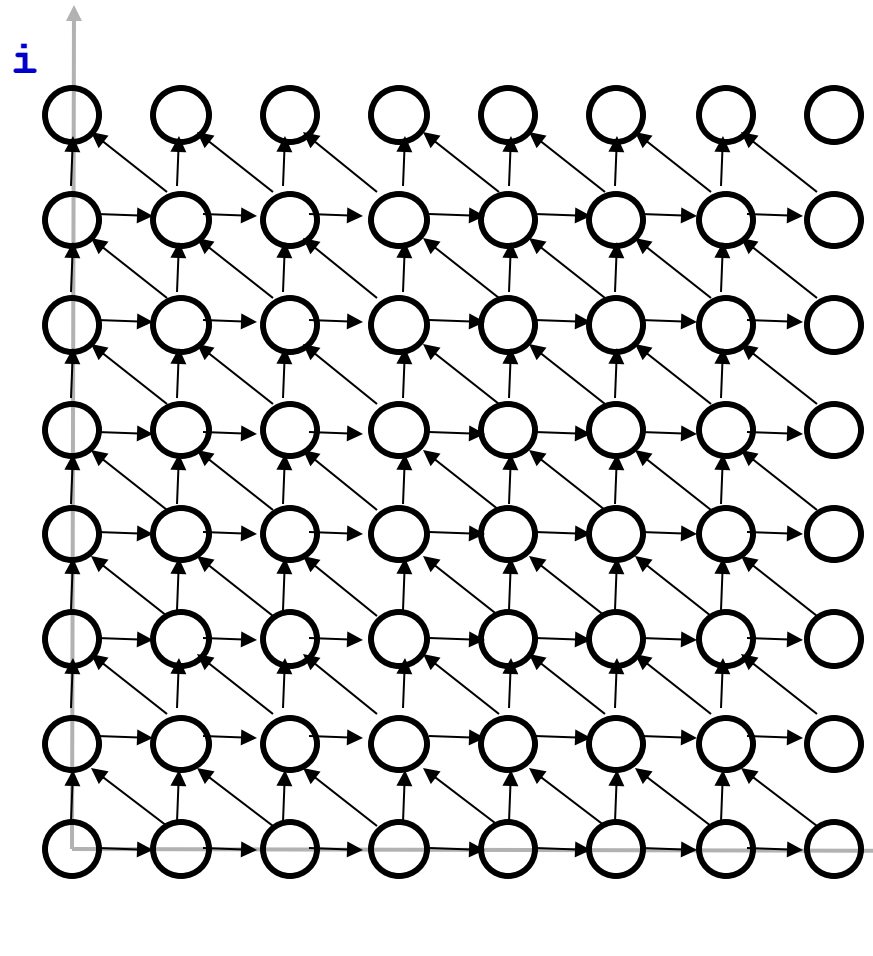
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for i = 0 to N-1  
  for j = 0 to N-1  
    A[i+1][j+1] += A[i][j];
```



# But...is the transform legal?

- What other visit order is legal here?

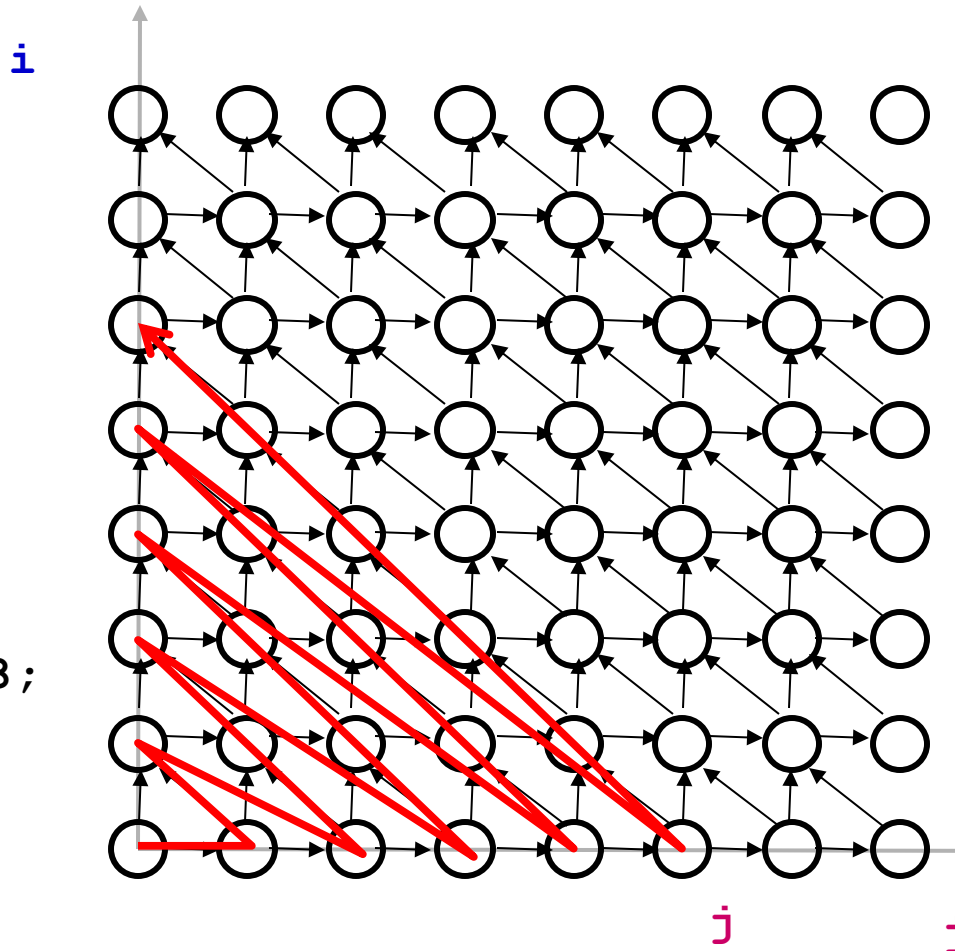
```
for i = 0 to TS
  for j = 0 to N-2
    A[j+1] =
      (A[j] + A[j+1] + A[j+2])/3;
```



# But...is the transform legal?

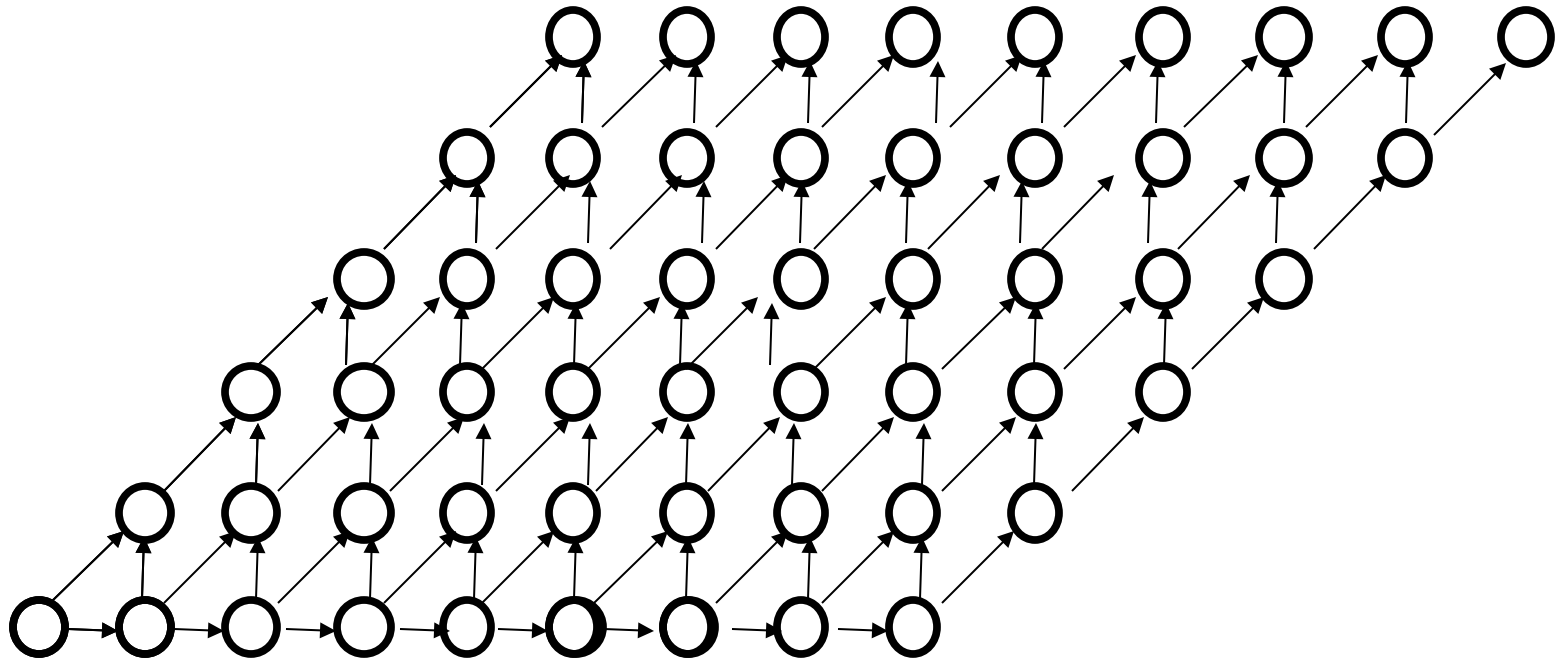
- What other visit order is legal here?

```
for i = 0 to TS
  for j = 0 to N-2
    A[j+1] =
      (A[j] + A[j+1] + A[j+2])/3;
```



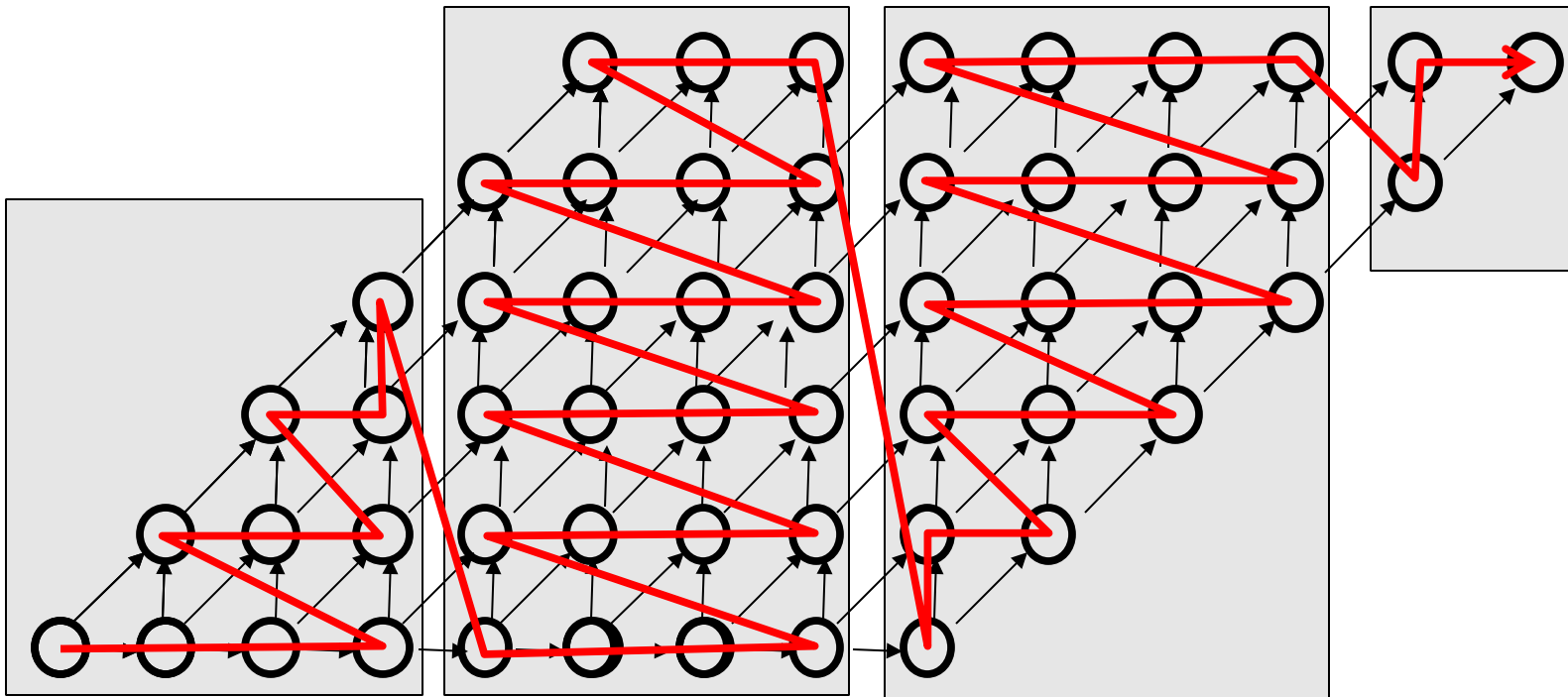
# But...is the transform legal?

- Skewing...



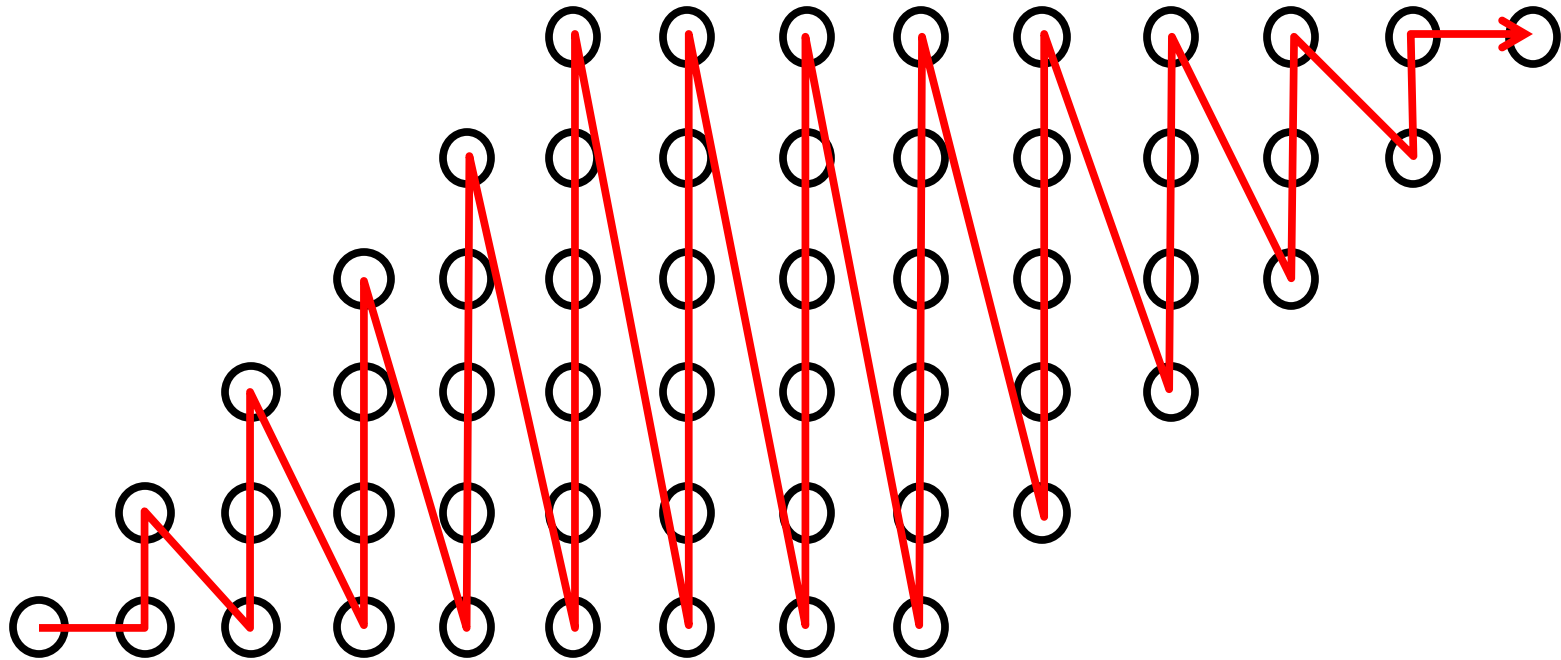
# But...is the transform legal?

- Skewing...now we can block



# But...is the transform legal?

- Skewing...now we can loop interchange





# Unimodular transformations

- Express loop transformation as a matrix multiplication
- Check if any dependence is violated by multiplying the distance vector by the matrix – if the resulting vector is still lexicographically positive, then the involved iterations are visited in an order that respects the dependence.

**Reversal**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Interchange**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Skew**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**"A Data Locality Optimizing Algorithm", M.E.Wolf and M.Lam**

# Finding Data Dependences

# The General Problem

```
DO i1 = L1, U1
  DO i2 = L2, U2
    ...
    DO in = Ln, Un
      S1      A(f1(i1, ..., in), ..., fm(i1, ..., in)) = ...
      S2      ... = A(g1(i1, ..., in), ..., gm(i1, ..., in))
    ENDDO
  ...
ENDDO
ENDDO
```

A dependence exists from S1 to S2 if:

– There exist  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that

- $\alpha < \beta$  (control flow requirement)
- $f_i(\alpha) = g_i(\beta)$  for all  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$  (common access requirement)

# General Solver?

- Looking for an integer solution to:

$$f_i(\alpha) = g_i(\beta) \text{ for all } i, 1 \leq i \leq m$$

- N-deep loop nest
- M subscripts per array reference
- General case, too hard
- Restrict to linear functions of loop-indices
- System of linear equations (2xn variables and m equations)

# Basics: Conservative Testing

- Consider only linear subscript expressions
- Finding integer solutions to system of linear Diophantine Equations is NP-Complete
- Most common approximation is **Conservative Testing**, i.e., See if you can assert  
“No dependence exists between two subscripted references of the same array”
- Never incorrect, may be less than optimal

# Basics: Indices and Subscripts

Index: Index variable for some loop surrounding a pair of references

Subscript: A PAIR of subscript positions in a pair of array references

For Example:

$$A(I, j) = A(I, k) + C$$

$\langle I, I \rangle$  is the first subscript

$\langle j, k \rangle$  is the second subscript

# Basics: Complexity

A subscript is said to be

- ZIV if it contains no index  
zero index variable
- SIV if it contains only one index  
single index variable
- MIV if it contains more than one index  
multiple index variable

For Example:

$$A(5, I+1, j) = A(1, I, k) + C$$

First subscript is ZIV

Second subscript is SIV

Third subscript is MIV

# Basics: Separability

- A subscript is separable if its indices do not occur in other subscripts
- If two different subscripts contain the same index they are coupled

For Example:

$$A(I+1, j) = A(k, j) + C$$

Both subscripts are separable

$$A(I, j, j) = A(I, j, k) + C$$

Second and third subscripts are coupled



# Basics: Coupled Subscript Groups

- Why are they important?

Coupling can cause imprecision in dependence testing

```
DO I = 1, 100
S1  A(I+1,I) = B(I) + C
S2  D(I) = A(I,I) * E
ENDDO
```

# Dependence Testing: Overview

- Partition subscripts of a pair of array references into separable and coupled groups
- Classify each subscript as ZIV, SIV or MIV
  - Reason for classification is to reduce complexity of the tests.
- For each separable subscript apply single subscript test. Continue until prove independence.
- Deal with coupled groups
- If independent, done
- Otherwise, merge all direction vectors computed in the previous steps into a single set of direction vectors

# Step 1: Subscript Partitioning

- Partitions the subscripts into separable and minimal coupled groups
- Notations
  - //  $S$  is a set of  $m$  subscript pairs  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_m$  each enclosed in  $n$  loops with indexes  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n$ , which is to be partitioned into separable or minimal coupled groups.
  - //  $P$  is an output variable, containing the set of partitions
  - //  $n_p$  is the number of partitions

# Subscript Partitioning Algorithm

procedure *partition*( $S, P, n_p$ )

$n_p = m$ ;

    for  $i := 1$  to  $m$  do  $P_i = \{S_i\}$ ;

    for  $i := 1$  to  $n$  do begin

$k := \text{<none>}$

        for each remaining partition  $P_j$  do

            if there exists  $s \in P_j$  such that  $s$  contains  $I_i$  then

                if  $k = \text{<none>}$  then  $k = j$ ;

                else begin  $P_k = P_k \cup P_j$ ; discard  $P_j$ ;  $n_p = n_p - 1$ ; end

    end

end *partition*

## Step 2: Classify as ZIV/SIV/MIV

- Easy step
- Just count the number of different indices in a subscript

# Step 3: Applying Single Subscript Tests

- ZIV Test
- SIV Test
  - Strong SIV Test
  - Weak SIV Test
    - Weak-zero SIV
    - Weak Crossing SIV
- SIV Tests in Complex Iteration Spaces

# ZIV Test

```
DO j = 1, 100  
S      A(e1) = A(e2) + B(j)  
ENDDO
```

e1,e2 are constants or loop invariant symbols

If  $(e1-e2) \neq 0$  No Dependence exists

# Strong SIV Test

- Strong SIV subscripts are of the form

$$\langle ai + c_1, ai + c_2 \rangle$$

- For example the following are strong SIV subscripts

$$\langle i + 1, i \rangle$$

$$\langle 4i + 2, 4i + 4 \rangle$$

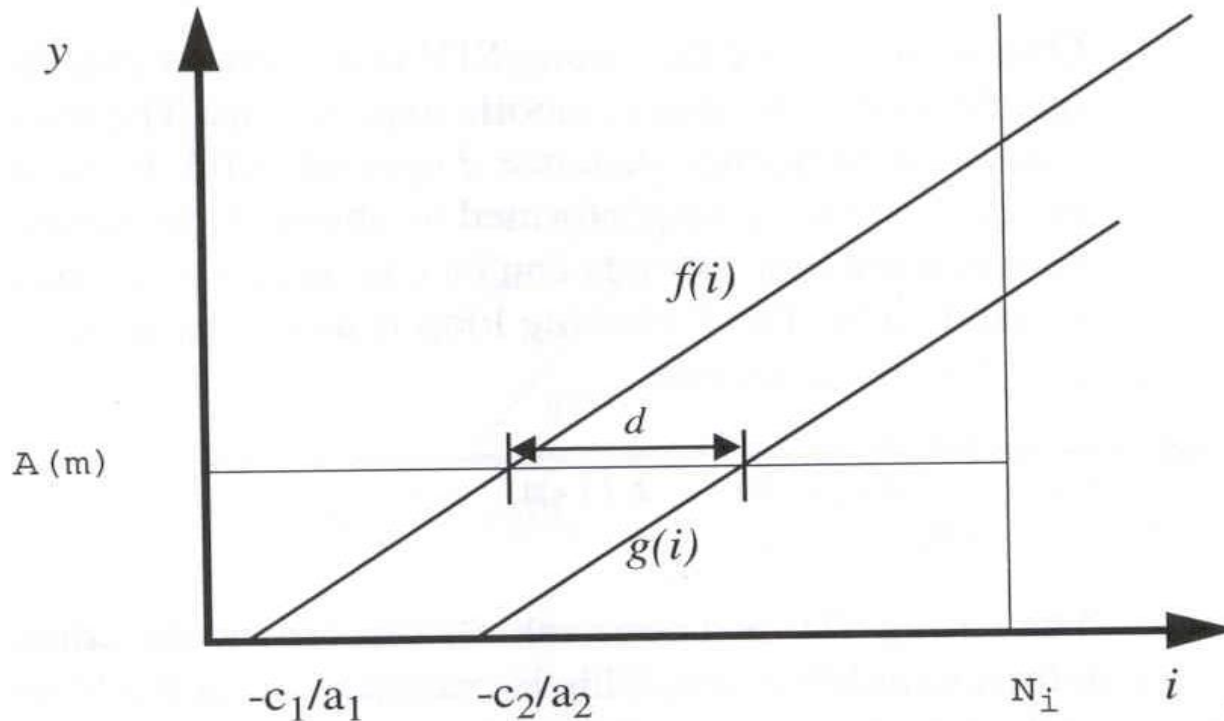


# Strong SIV Test Example

```
DO k = 1, 100
DO j = 1, 100
S1      A(j+1,k) = ...
S2      ... = A(j,k) + 32
        ENDDO
      ENDDO
```

# Strong SIV Test $\langle ai + c_1, ai + c_2 \rangle$

Geometric View of Strong SIV Tests



$$d = i' - i = \frac{c_1 - c_2}{a}$$

Dependence exists if:  $|d| \leq U - L$

# Weak SIV Tests

- Weak SIV subscripts are of the form

$$\langle a_1 i + c_1, a_2 i + c_2 \rangle$$

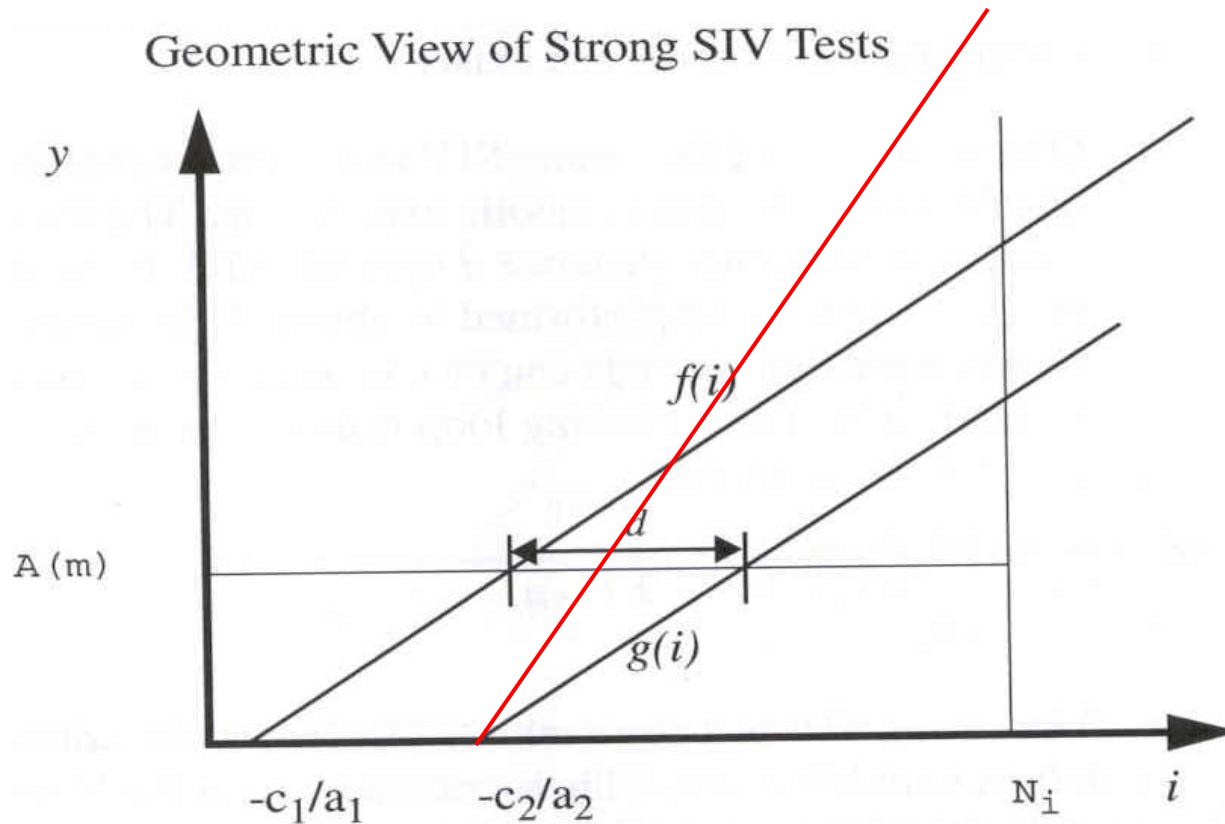
- For example the following are weak SIV subscripts

$$\langle i + 1, 5 \rangle$$

$$\langle 2i + 1, i + 5 \rangle$$

$$\langle 2i + 1, -2i \rangle$$

# Geometric view of weak SIV

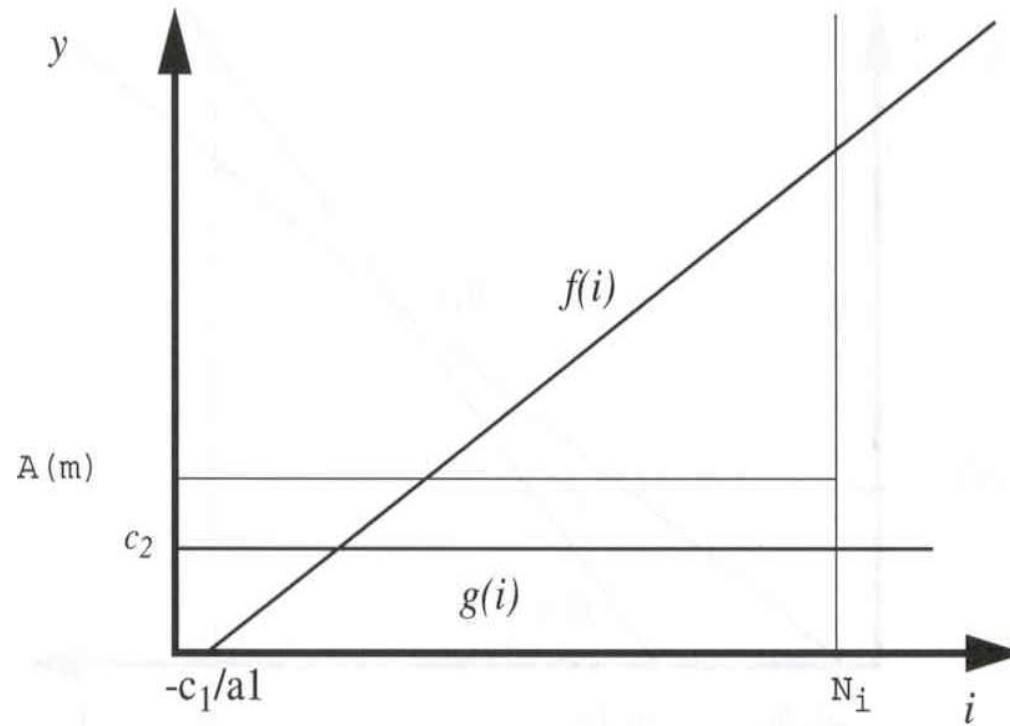


# Weak-zero SIV Test

- Special case of Weak SIV where one of the coefficients of the index is zero, i.e., one of the references is always to the same location
- The test consists merely of checking whether the solution is an integer and is within loop bounds  $i = \frac{c_2 - c_1}{a_1}$  and,  $L \leq i \leq U$

# Weak-zero SIV Test

Geometric View of Weak-zero SIV Subscripts



# Weak-zero SIV & Loop Peeling

```
DO i = 1, N
S1      Y(i, N) = Y(1, N) + Y(N, N)
ENDDO
```

subscript pairs:

# Weak-zero SIV & Loop Peeling

```
DO i = 1, N
S1      Y(i, N) = Y(1, N) + Y(N, N)
ENDDO
```

Can be loop peeled to...

```
      Y(1, N) = Y(1, N) + Y(N, N)
DO i = 2, N-1
S1      Y(i, N) = Y(1, N) + Y(N, N)
ENDDO
Y(N, N) = Y(1, N) + Y(N, N)
```



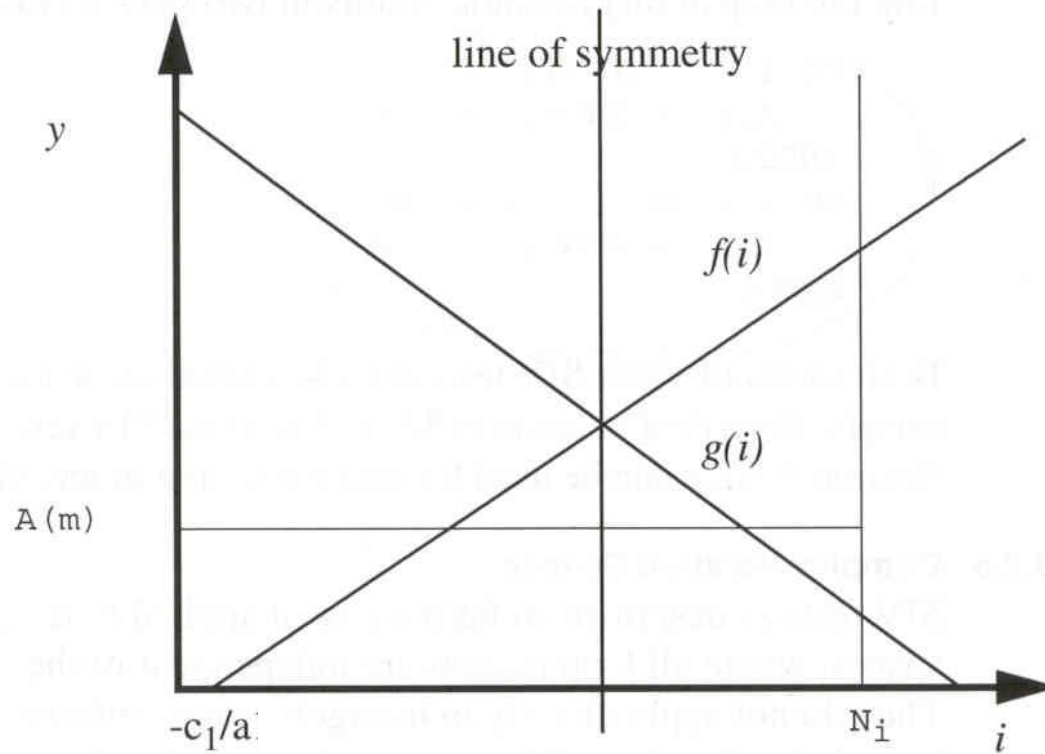
# Weak-crossing SIV Test

- Special case of Weak SIV where the coefficients of the index are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign
- The test consists merely of checking whether the solution index,  $i = \frac{c_2 - c_1}{2a}$ 
  1. within loop bounds and is
  2. either an integer or has a non-integer part equal to 1/2

# Weak-crossing SIV Test

$$\langle ai + c_1, -ai + c_2 \rangle$$

Geometric View of Weak-crossing SIV Subscripts



# Weak-crossing SIV & Loop Splitting

```
DO i = 1, N
S1  A(i) = A(N-i+1) + C
ENDDO
```

This loop can be split into...

```
DO i = 1, (N+1)/2
    A(i) = A(N-i+1) + C
ENDDO
DO i = (N+1)/2 + 1, N
    A(i) = A(N-i+1) + C
ENDDO
```

# Breaking Conditions

- Consider the following example

```
DO I = 1, L
S1      A(I + N) = A(I) + B
ENDDO
```

- If  $L \leq N$ , then there is no dependence from  $S_1$  to itself
- $L \leq N$  is called the **Breaking Condition**

# Using Breaking Conditions

- Using breaking conditions then can generate alternative code if it would help

```
IF (L<=N) THEN
  A(N+1:N+L) = A(1:L) + B
ELSE
  DO I = 1, L
S1      A(I + N) = A(I) + B
  ENDDO
ENDIF
```

# Index Set Splitting

```
DO I = 1, 100
  DO J = 1, I
    S1      A(J+20) = A(J) + B
  ENDDO
ENDDO
```

For values of  $I \ll \frac{|d| - (U_0 - L_0)}{U_1 - L_1} \approx \frac{20 - (-1)}{1} \approx 21$

there is no dependence

# Index Set Splitting

- This condition can be used to create a part of the loop that is independent

```
DO I = 1, 20
  DO J = 1, I
S1a      A(J+20) = A(J) + B
  ENDDO
ENDDO
```

Now the inner loop for the first nest is independent.

```
DO I = 21, 100
  DO J = 1, Ix
S1b      A(J+20) = A(J) + B
  ENDDO
ENDDO
```

# How are we doing so far?

- Empirical study from Goff, Kennedy, & Tseng
  - Look at how often independence and exact dependence information is found in 4 suites of fortran programs
  - Compare ZIV, SIV (strong, weak-0, weak-crossing, exact), MIV, Delta
  - Check usefulness of symbolic analysis
- ZIV used 44% of time and proves 85% of indep
- Strong-SIV used 33% of time and proves 5% (success per application 97%)
- S-SIV, 0-SIV, x-SIV used 41%
- MIV used only 5% of time
- Delta used 8% of time, proves 5% of indep
- Coupled subscripts rare (20% overall, but concentrated)



# More Complex Tests

- GCD-based testing
- Banerjee Inequalities
- Delta Test
- Omega Test
- ...

# Merging Results

- After we test all subscripts we have vectors for each partition. Now we need to merge these into a set of direction vectors for the memory reference
- Since we partitioned into separable sets we can do cross-product of vectors from each partition.
- Start with a single vector =  $(*, *, \dots, *)$  of length depth of loop nest.
- Foreach partition, for each index involved in vector create new set from  
old vector-these\_indicies x this set

# Example Merge

For I

For J

$S_1$        $A[J-1] = \dots$

$S_2$        $\dots = A[J]$

For subscript in A using  $S_1$  as source and  $S_2$  as target: J has DV of -1

Merge -1 into  $(*,*) \rightarrow (*,-1)$ . What does this mean?

- $(<,-1)$ : true dep in outer loop
- $(=,-1)$ : anti-dep from  $S_2$  to  $S_1 \rightarrow (=,1)$
- $(>,-1)$ : anti-dep from  $S_2$  to  $S_1$  in outer loop  $\rightarrow (<,-1)$