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Automated Selective Caching for Reference Attribute Grammars

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Overview

RAGs : High-level compiler specification

Objective : Speed up generated compiler

Approach : Profiling of the generated compiler

Outline : RAGs →
 Caching →
 Profiling →
 Evaluation →
 Conclusions

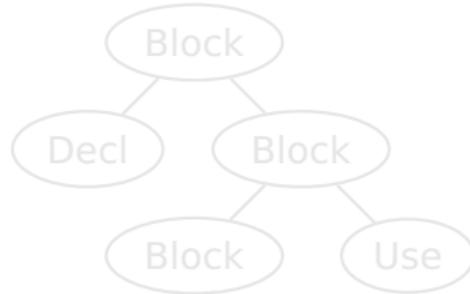


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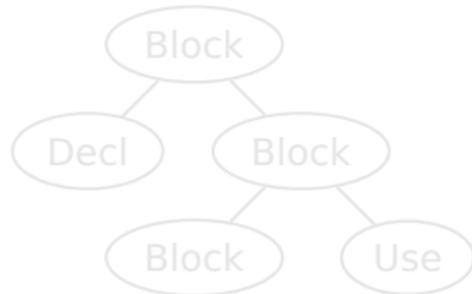
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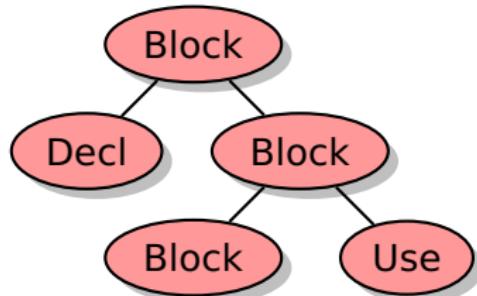
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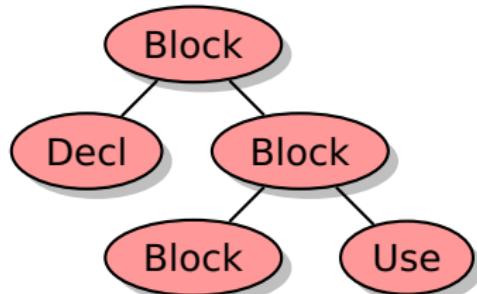
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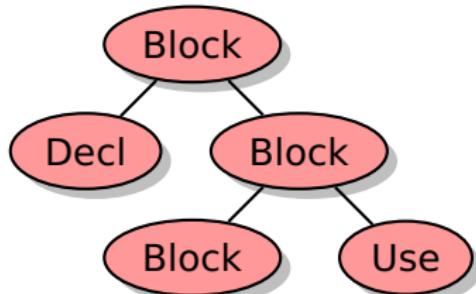
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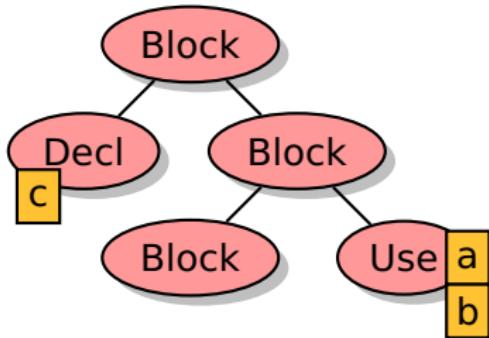
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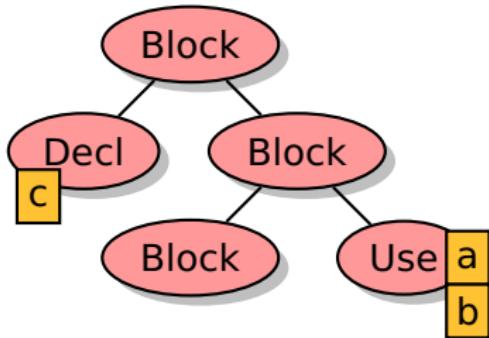
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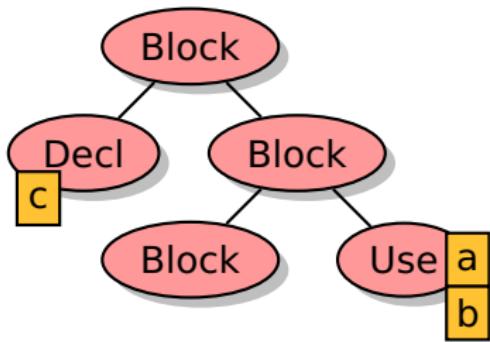
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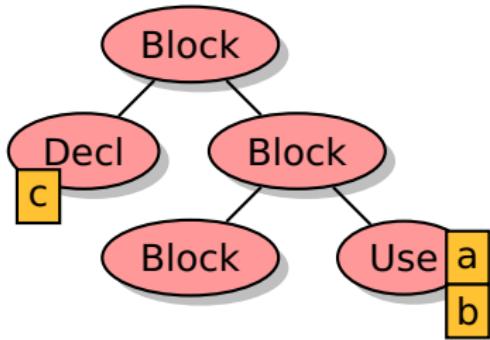
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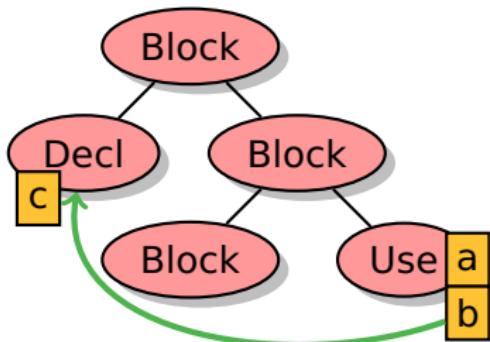
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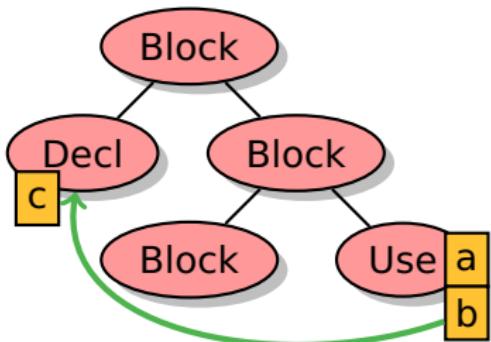
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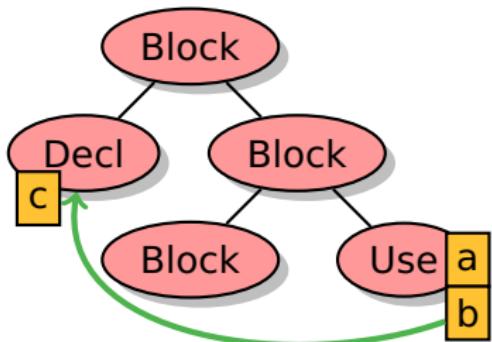
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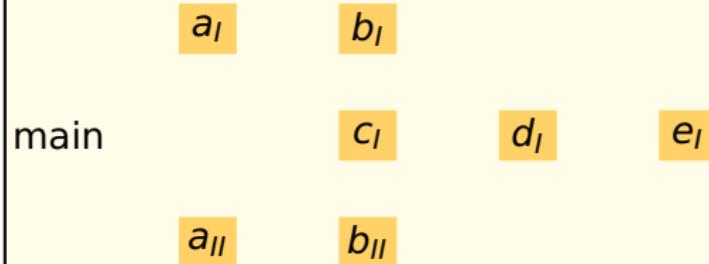
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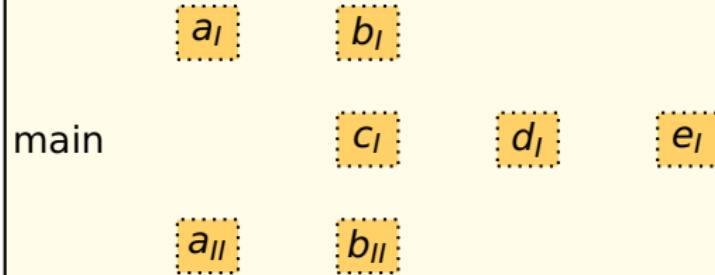
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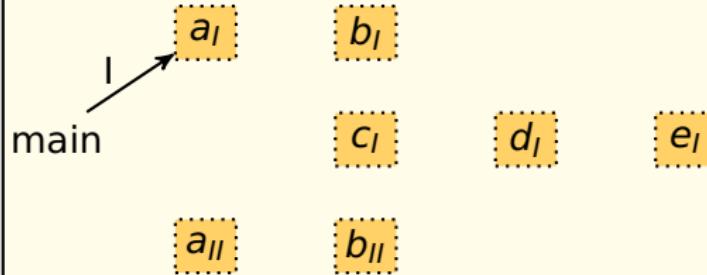
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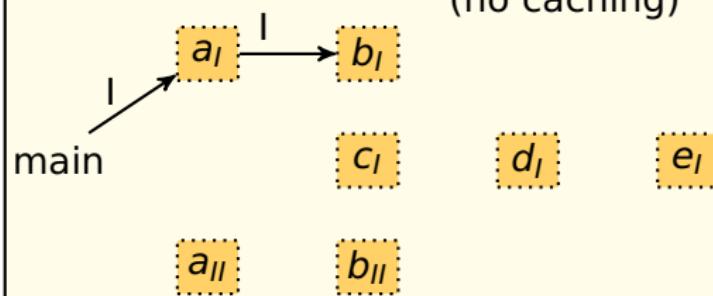
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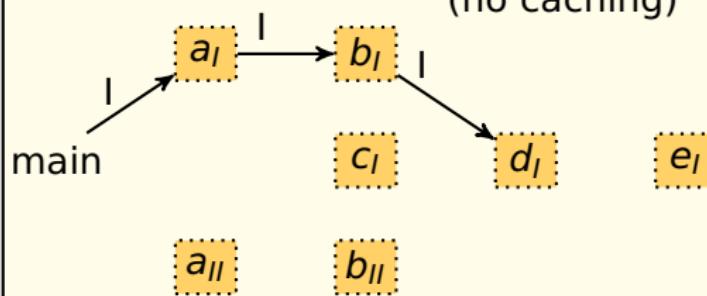
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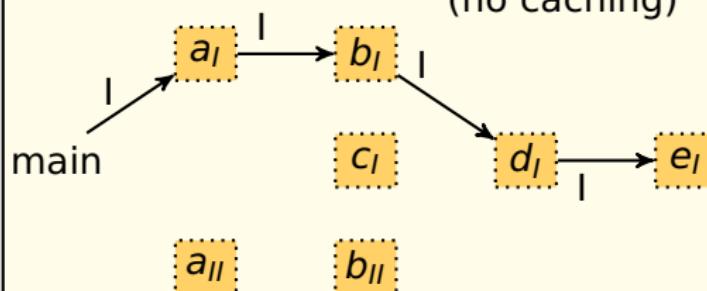
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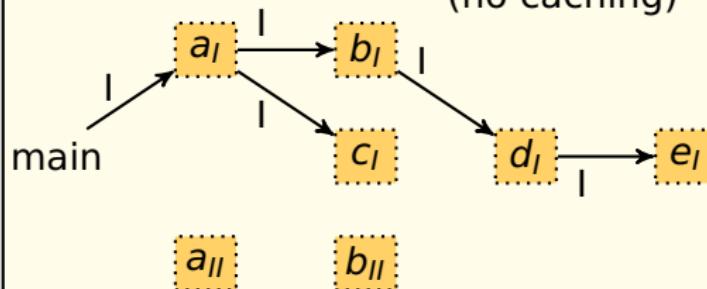
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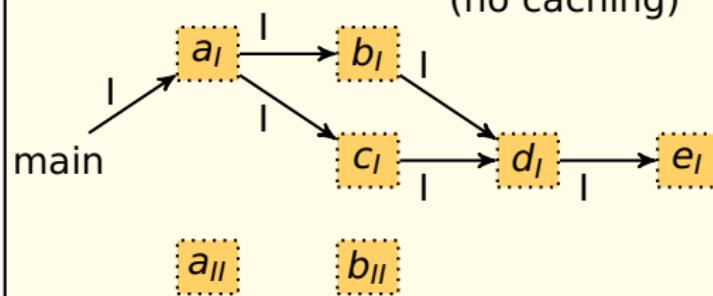
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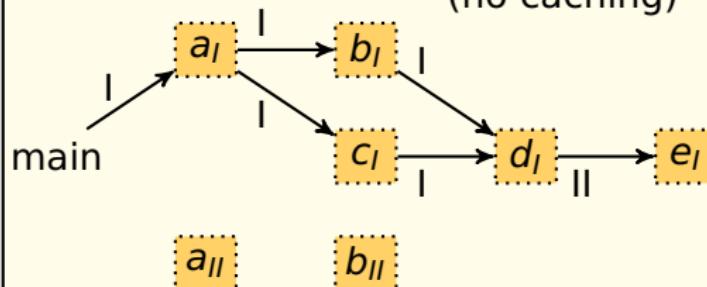
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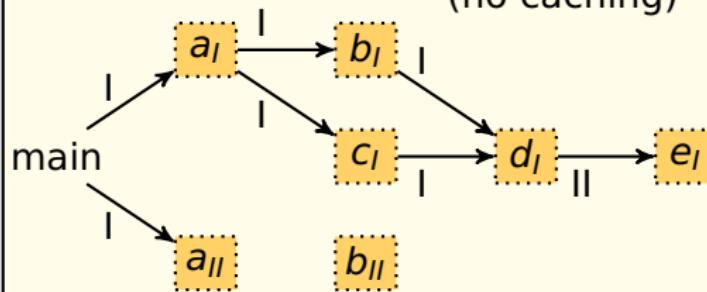
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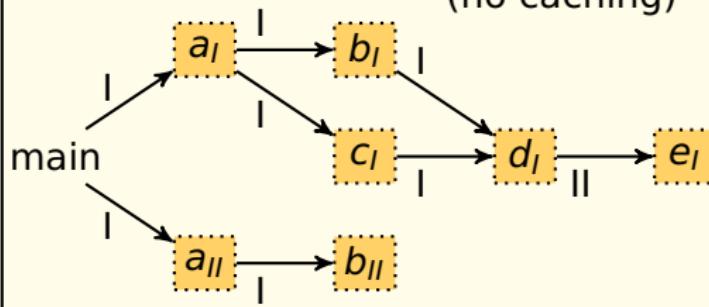
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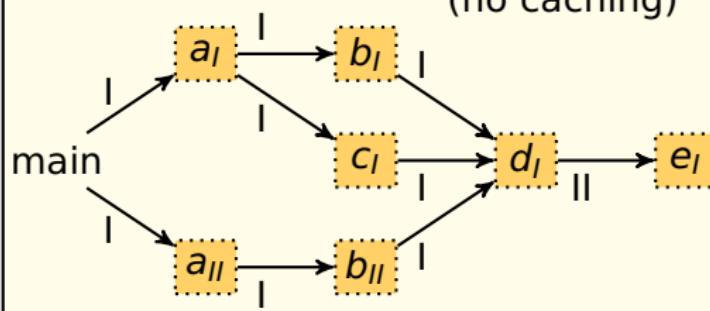
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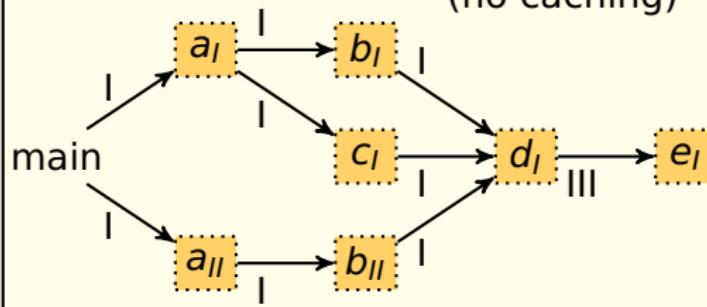
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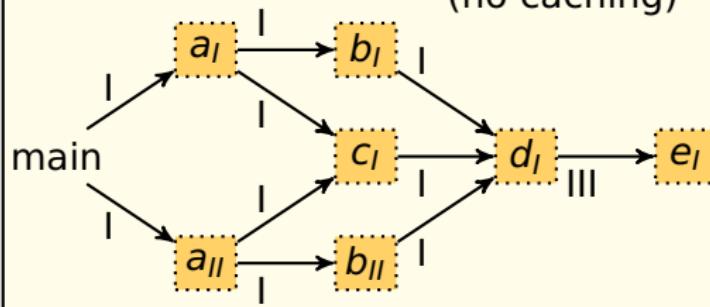
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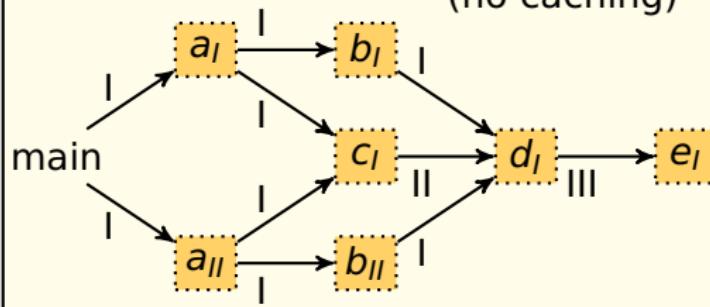
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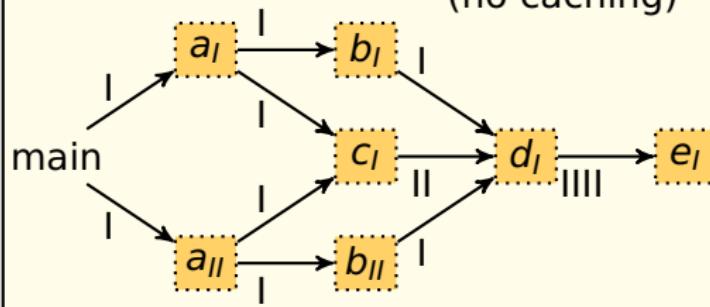
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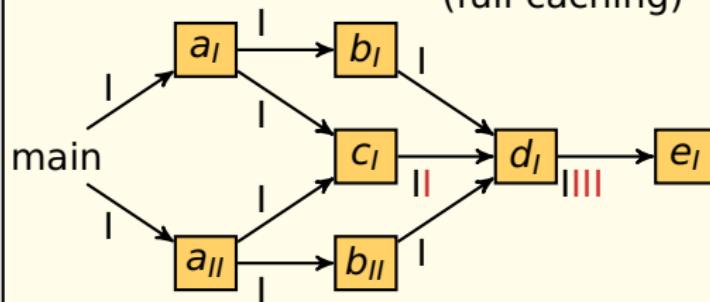
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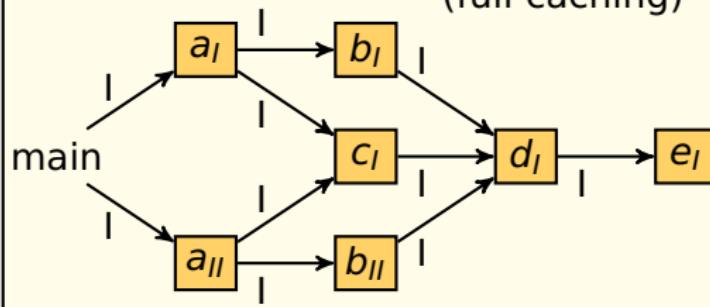
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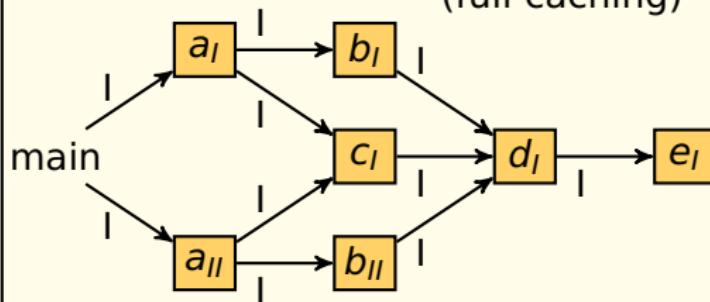
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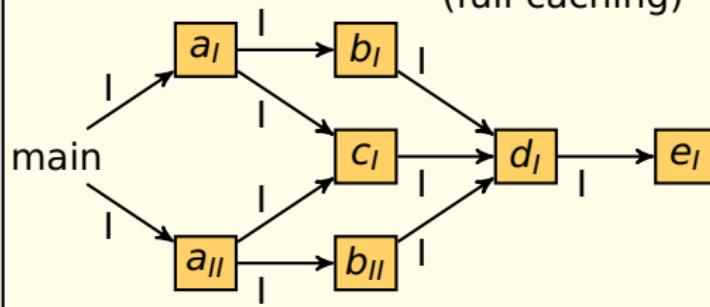
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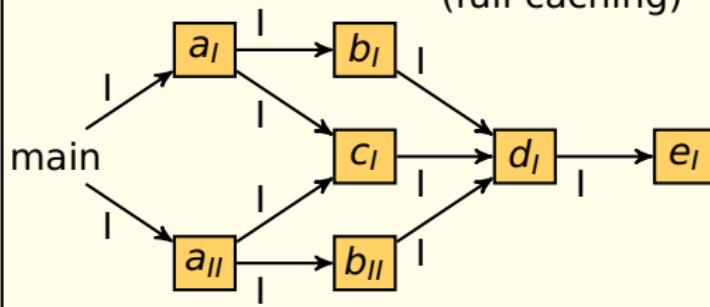
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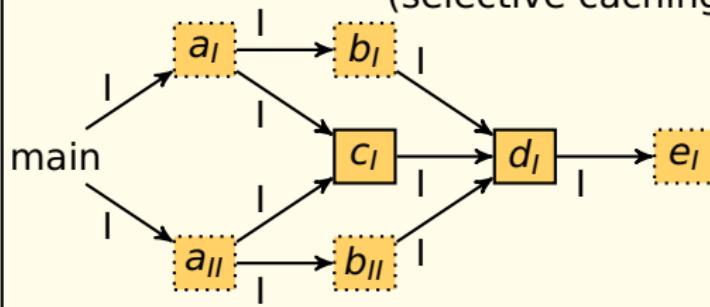
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Attribute Instance Call Graph (selective caching)



Attribute Sets

Static info.

- ALL
- PARAM, NONPARAM
- PRE

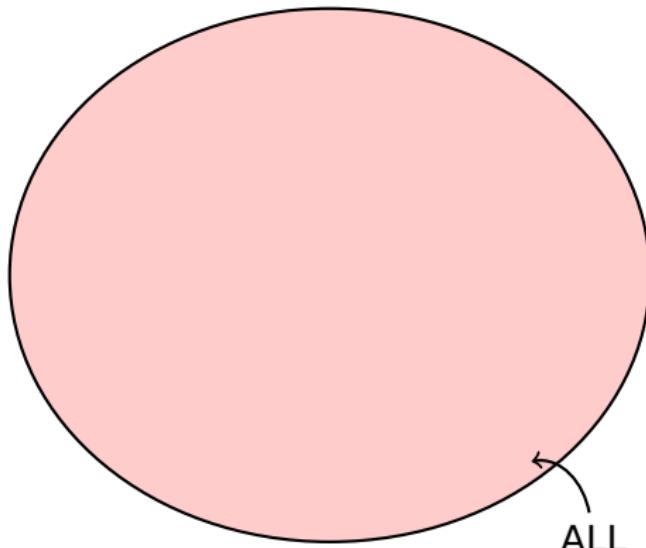
Profiling info.

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- ONE, MANY

Configurations

- ALL - ONE
- USED - ONE

Attribute Sets



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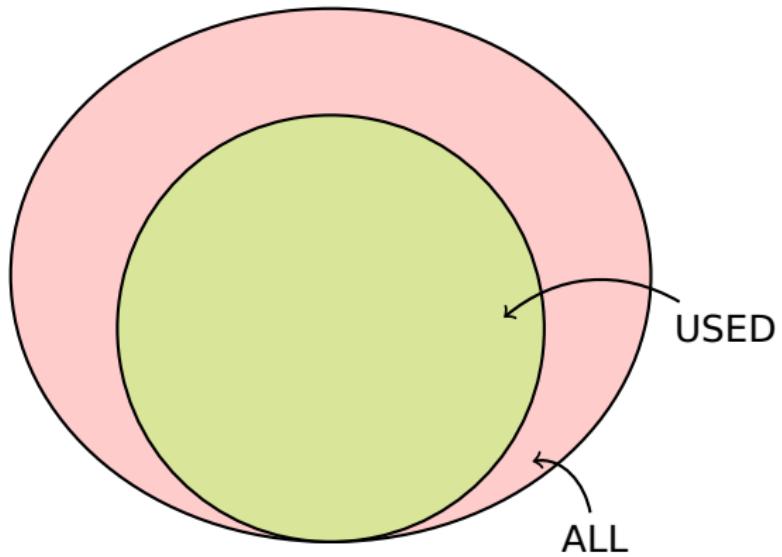
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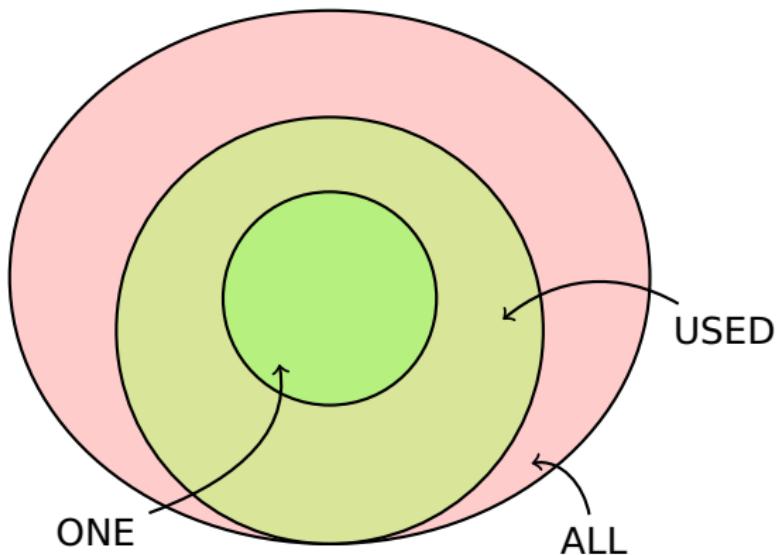
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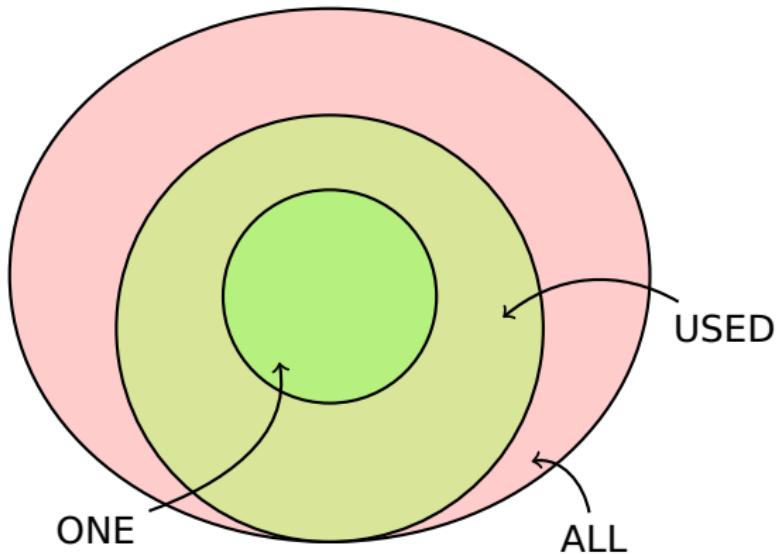
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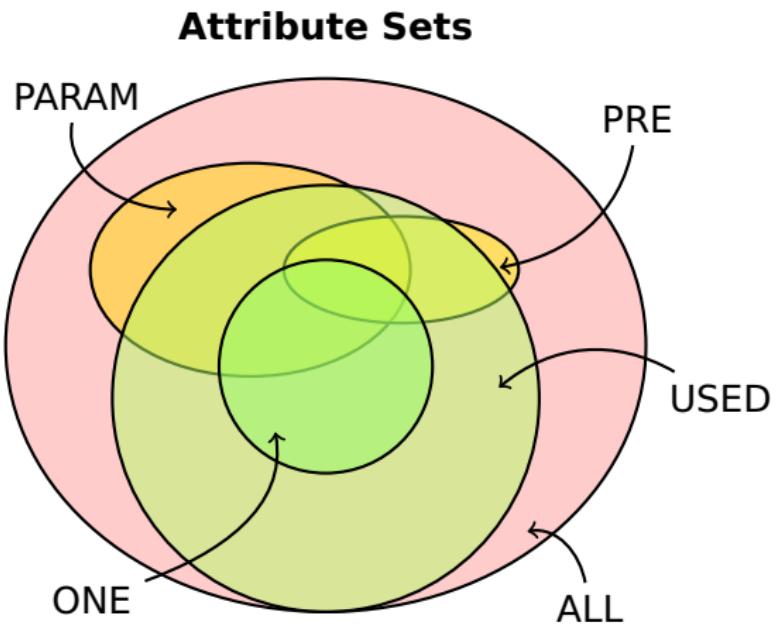
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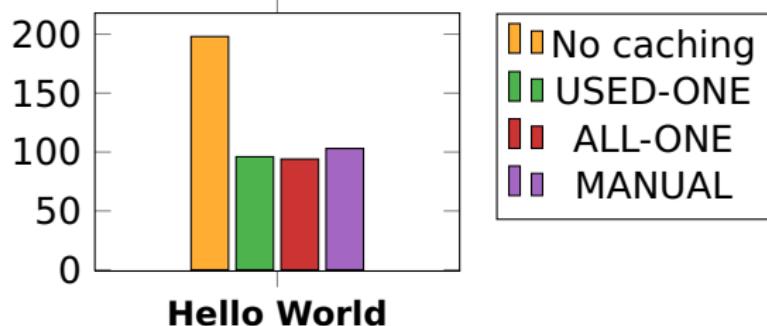
Evaluation

- **Two profiling approaches:** ALL-ONE, USED-ONE
 - ▶ Robustness? (slower than ALL?)
 - ▶ Performance? (time, memory)
- **A RAG-based Java compiler:** JastAddJ
 - ▶ $|ALL|=787$, Expert configuration ($|MANUAL|=281$)
 - ▶ **Profiling input:** Hello World, Jacks, DaCapo
 - ▶ **Test input:** Hello World, DaCapo
- **A set of experiments:**
 - A hello world / no caching, 29%
 - B profiling with a test suite (Jacks), 80%
 - C profiling with benchmarks (DaCapo), 61-81%, 84%
 - D both B and C

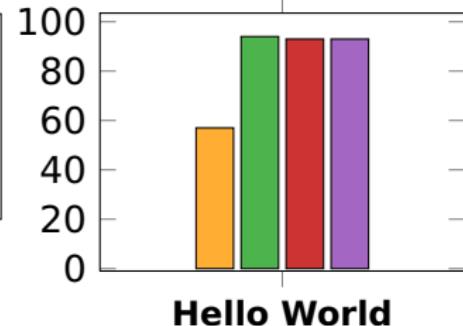


Results: Experiment A (No caching)

Execution Time (% of ALL)



Used Memory (% of ALL)

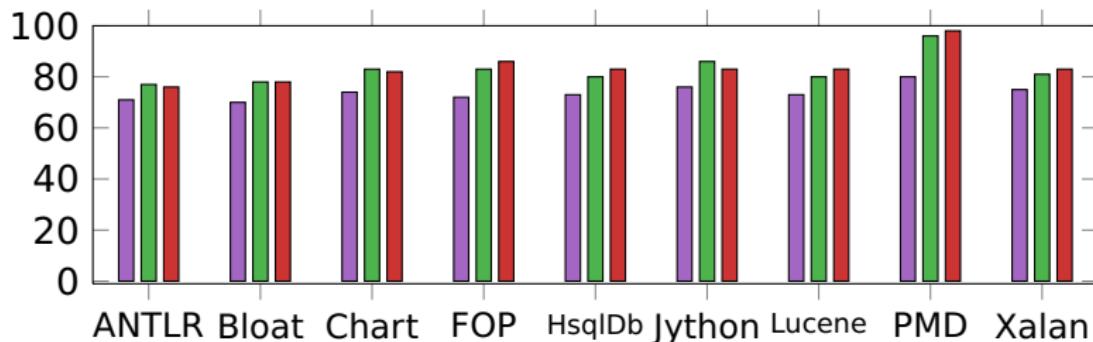


ALL: 47 ms, 15 Mb

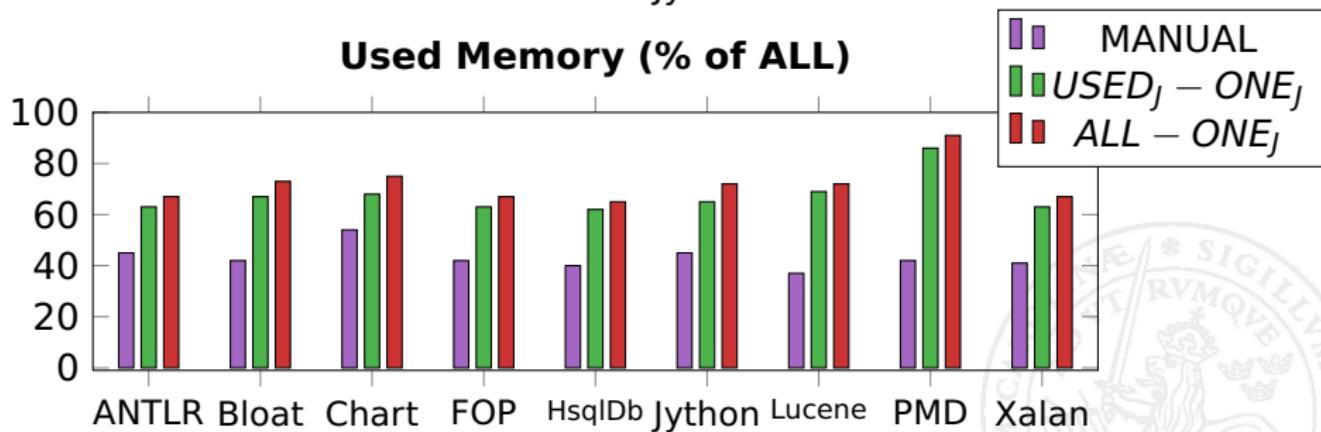
No caching: 93 ms, 8.6 Mb

Results: Experiment B (J - Jacks test suite)

Execution Time (% of ALL)

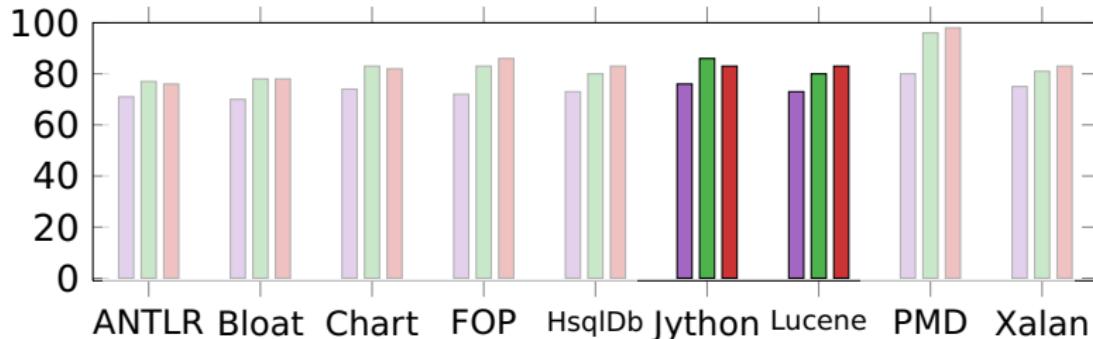


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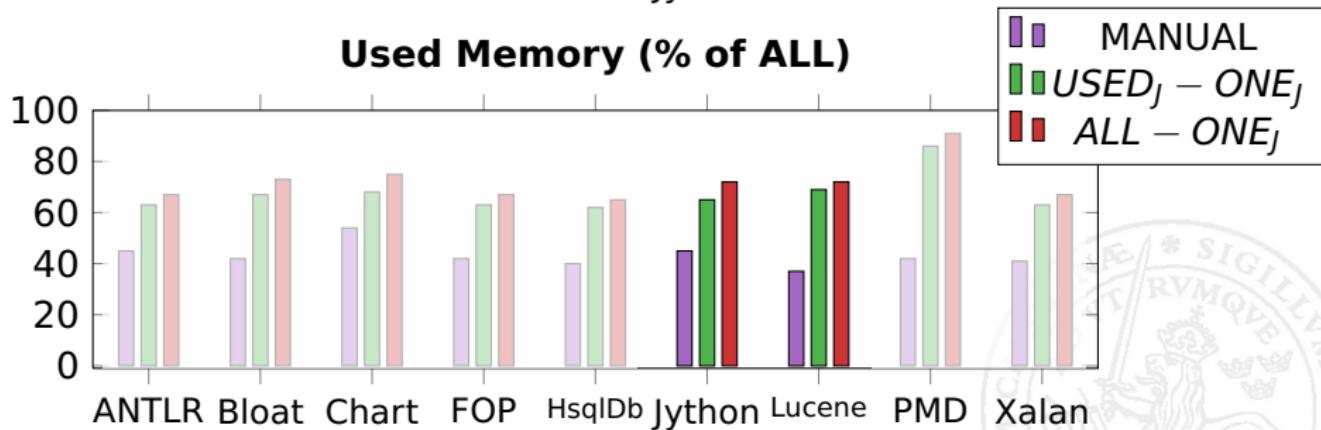


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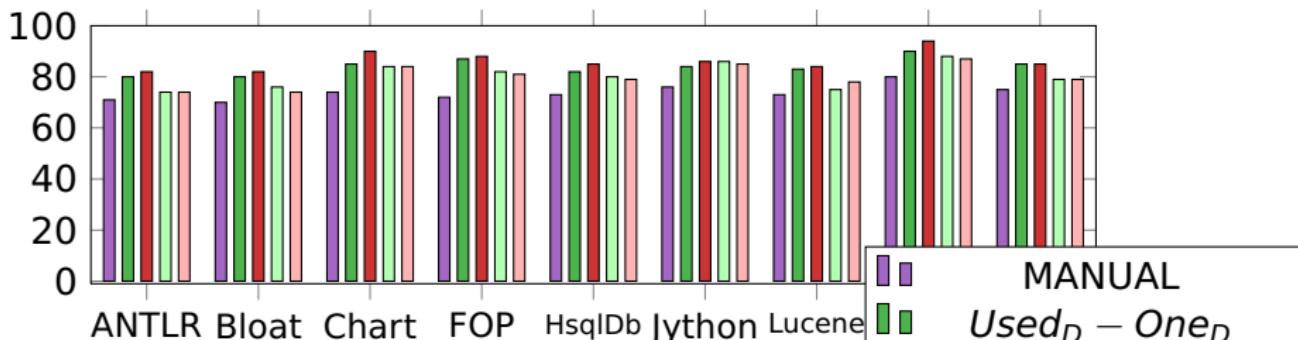


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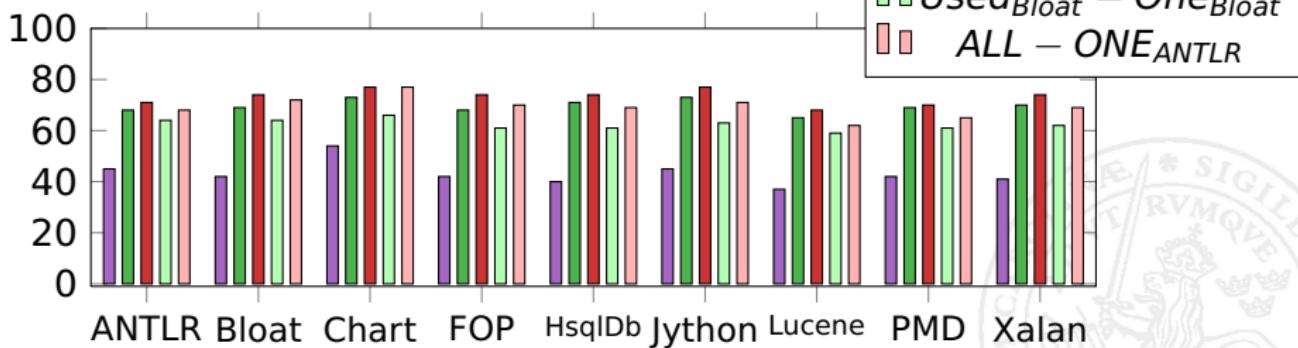


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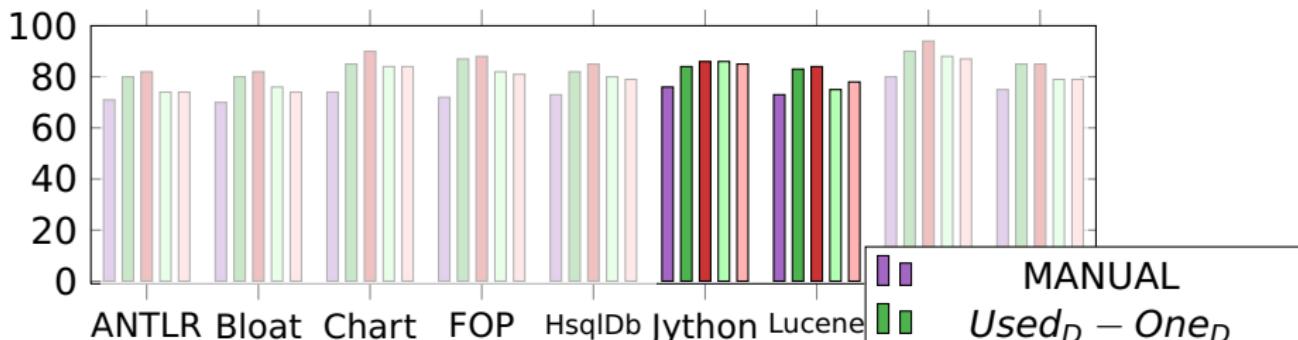


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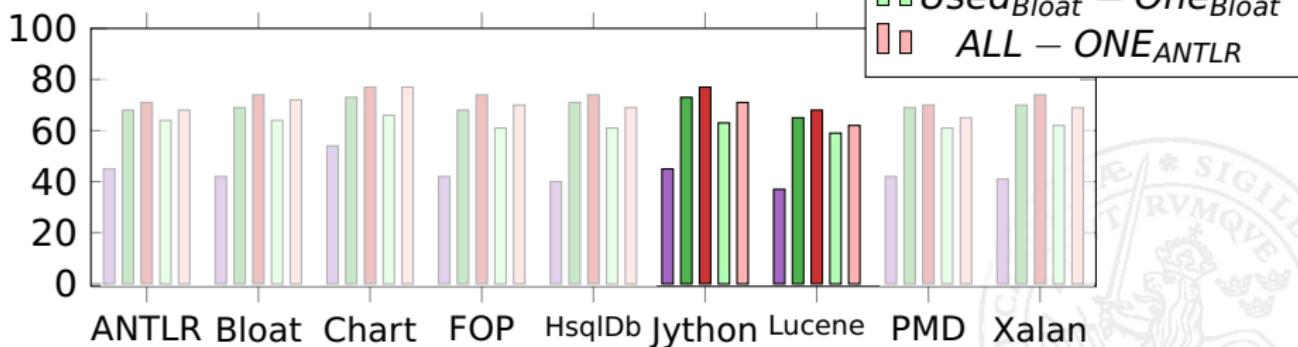


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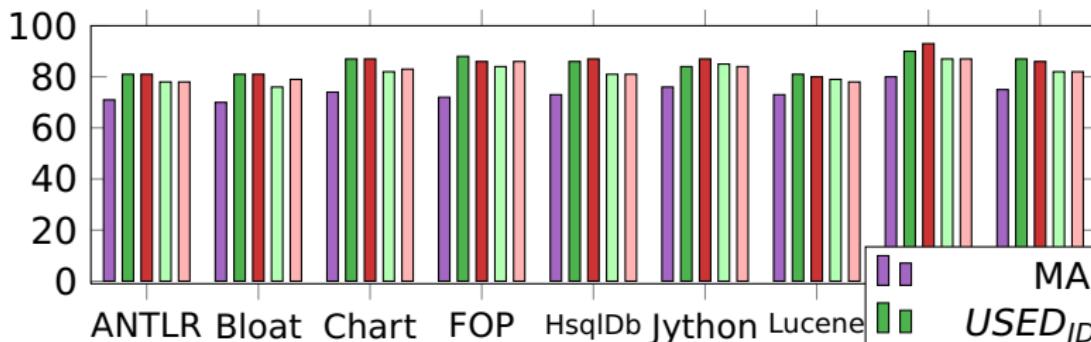


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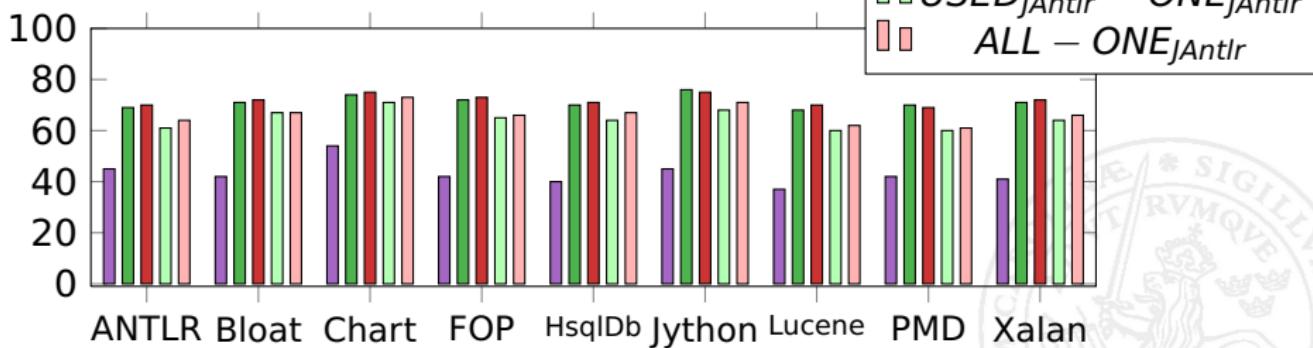


Results: Experiment D (Jacks + DaCapo)

Execution Time (% of ALL)

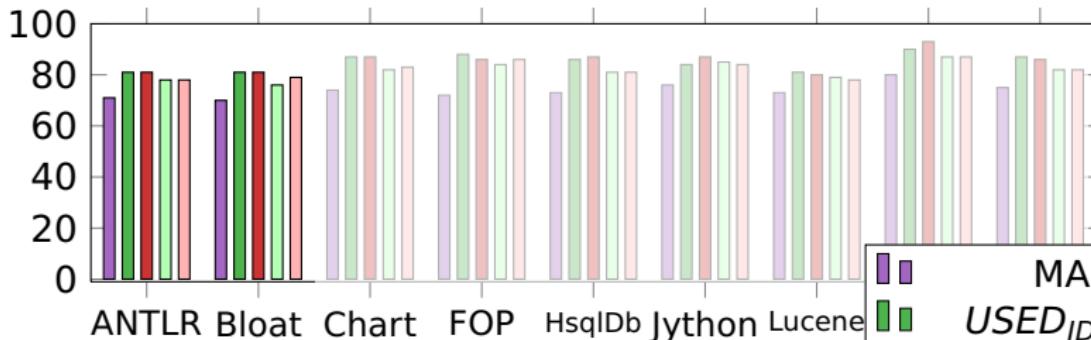


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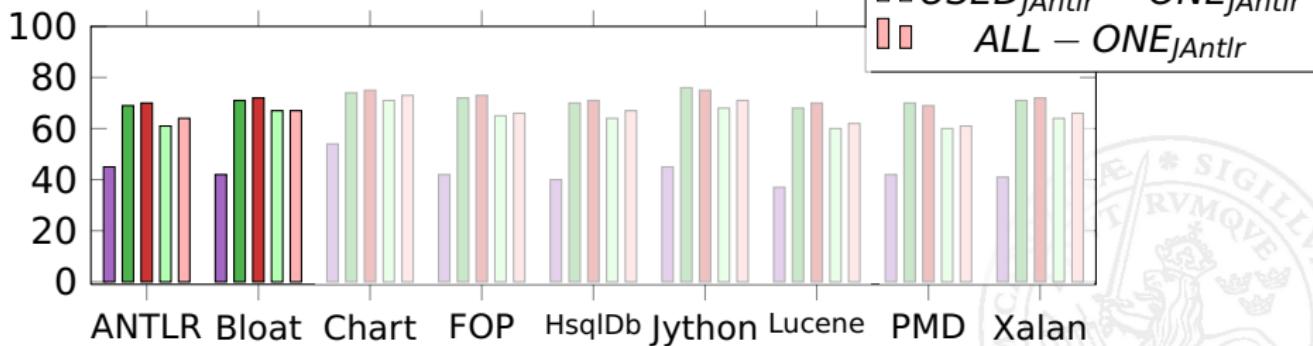


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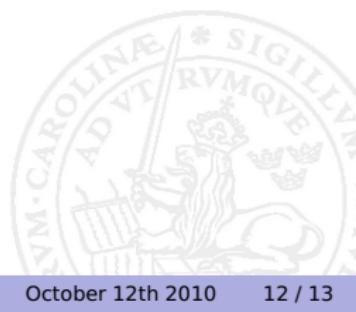
Conclusions/Future Work

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- Average speed-up: 20%
- MANUAL: Possible lower bound (26%)
- Small difference ALL-ONE, USED-ONE
- We recommend ALL-ONE

Future Work

- How do we reach MANUAL?
- Results for other compilers



You can soon try out the profiler (JACO**) here:**

<http://svn.cs.lth.se/trac/jastadd-caching>

**Thank you!
Questions?**

Experiment Setup

Result **EXPERIMENT** ($pInput, tInput$)

$pInput$: Profiling input

$tInput$: Test input for measurement

- 1 Compiler $comp \leftarrow \text{BUILD-COMPILER } (\textit{full-caching, tracing});$
- 2 Config $conf \leftarrow \text{PROFILE}(pInput);$
- 3 $comp \leftarrow \text{BUILD-COMPILER } (conf);$
- 4 Result $res \leftarrow \text{MEASURE-PERFORMANCE } (comp, tInput);$

