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# Automatic Granularity-Aware Parallelization of Programs with Predicates, Functions, and Constraints

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        :- N>1.

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fib(0, 0).
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fib(N, F) :-
    N>1,
    ( N1 is N-1,
      fib(N1, F1) ) &
    ( N2 is N-2,
      fib(N2, F2) ),
    F1+F2.

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→ Need to detect *independent* tasks.

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For *Predicates* (multiple procedure definitions):

main:-

$s_1$  p(X),

$s_2$  q(X),

write(X).

p(X) :- X=a.

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q(X) :- X=b, *large computation*.

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Again, cost issue: if p affects q (*prunes its choices*) then q ahead of p is speculative.

- *Independence*: condition that guarantees correctness *and* efficiency.

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Sufficient a-priori condition: given  $g_1(\bar{x})$  and  $g_2(\bar{y})$ ,  $c$  state just before them:

$$\boxed{(\bar{x} \cap \bar{y} \subseteq \text{def}(c)) \text{ and } (\exists_{-\bar{x}}c \wedge \exists_{-\bar{y}}c \rightarrow \exists_{-\bar{y} \cup \bar{x}}c)}$$

$(\text{def}(c) = \text{set of variables constrained to a unique value in } c)$

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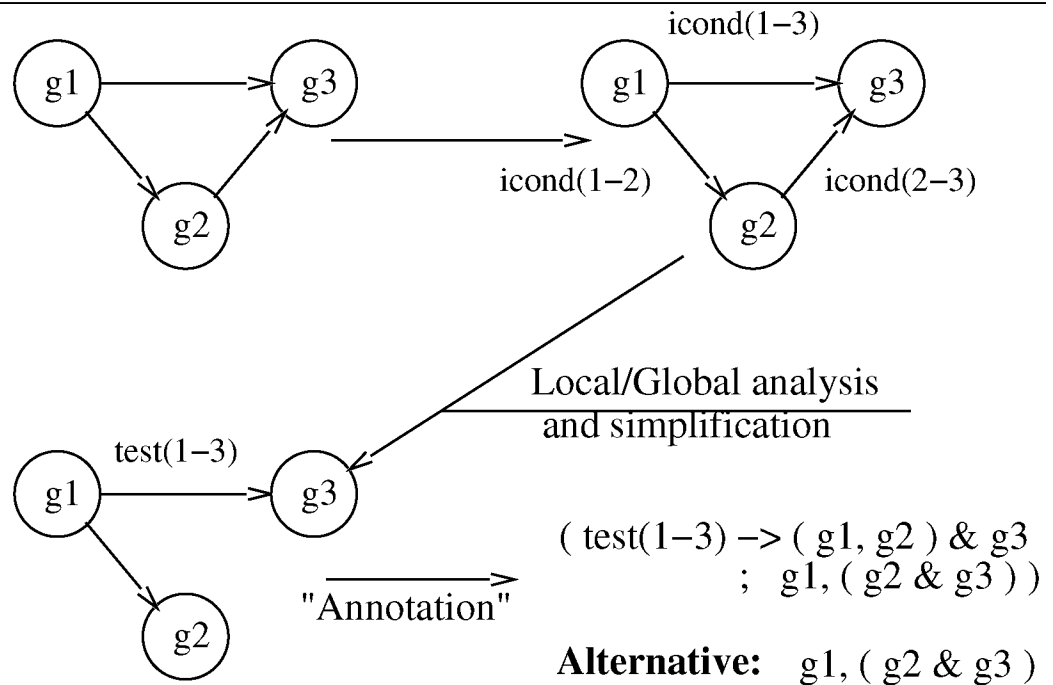
Approximation: presence of “links” through the store.



## Parallelization Process

- Conditional dependency graph (of some code segment, e.g., a clause):
  - Vertices: possible tasks (statements, calls,...),
  - Edges: possible dependencies (labels: conditions needed for independence).
- Local or global analysis used to reduce/remove checks in the edges.
- Annotation process converts graph back to parallel expressions in source.

```
foo(...) :-
  g1(...),
  g2(...),
  g3(...).
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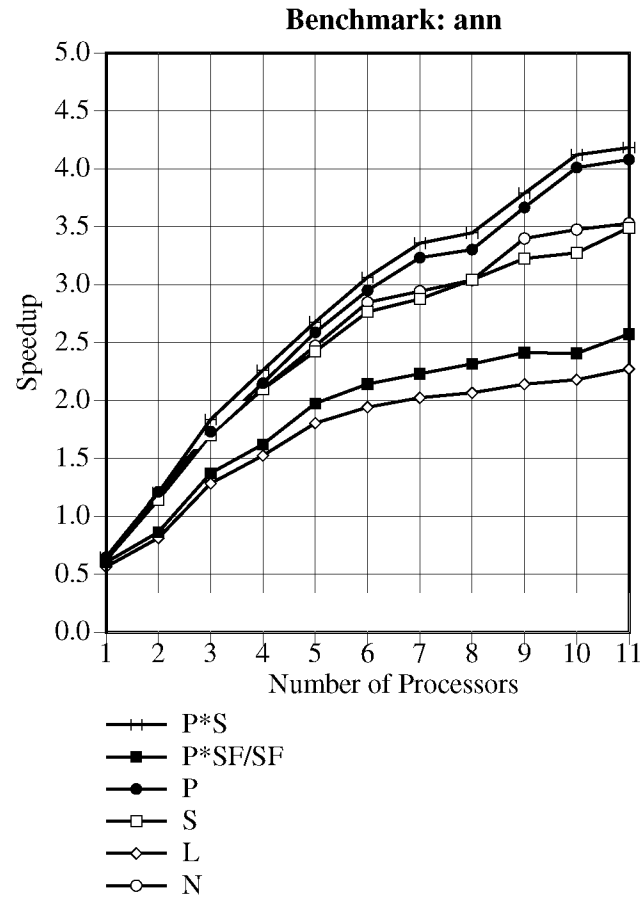
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- + several control rules (e.g., bf, id, Andorra), objects, syntactic/semantic extensibility, LGPL, ...

# Some Speedups (for different analysis abstract domains)



The parallelizer, self-parallelized

## Granularity Control

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- Replace parallel with sequential execution based on task size and overheads.
- Cannot be done completely at compile-time: cost often depends on input (hard to approximate at compile time, even w/abstract interpretation).

```
main :- read(X), read(Z), inc_all(X,Y) & r(Z,M), ...
```





# Inference of Bounds on Argument Sizes and Procedure Cost in CiaoPP

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1. Perform type/mode inference:

```
:- true inc_all(X,Y) : list(X,int), var(Y) => list(Y,int).
```

2. Infer size measures: list length.

3. Use data dependency graphs to determine the relative sizes of structures that variables point to at different program points – infer argument size relations:

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4. Use this, set up recurrence equations for the computational cost of procedures:

$$\text{Cost}_{\text{inc\_all}}^L(0) = 1 \text{ (boundary condition from base case),}$$

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- We obtain lower/upper bounds on task granularities.
- Non-failure (absence of exceptions) analysis needed for lower bounds.

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- Checking of data sizes can be stopped once under threshold.
- Data size computations can often be done on-the-fly.
- Static task clustering (loop unrolling), static placement, etc.

## Granularity Control System Output Example

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g_qsort([], []).
g_qsort([First|L1], L2) :-
    partition3o4o(First, L1, Ls, Lg, Size_Ls, Size_Lg),
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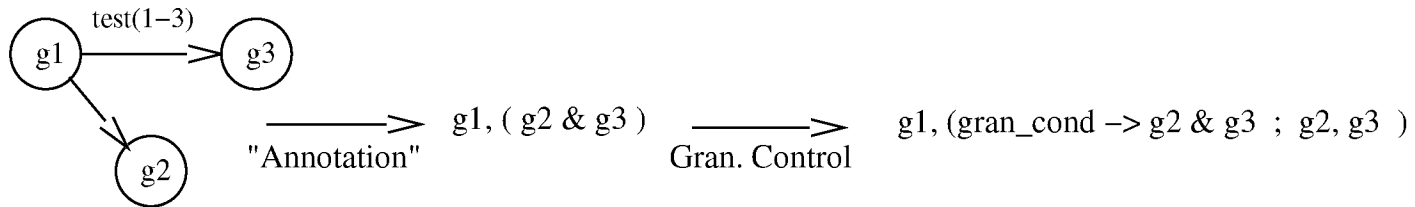
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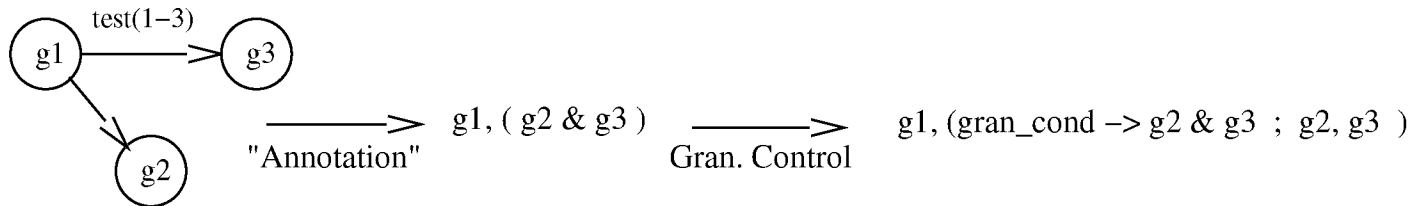
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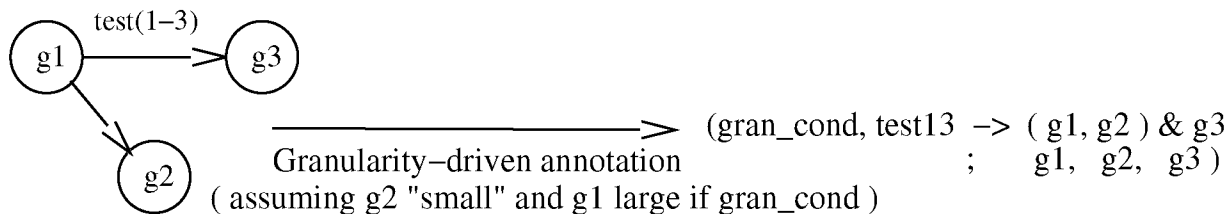


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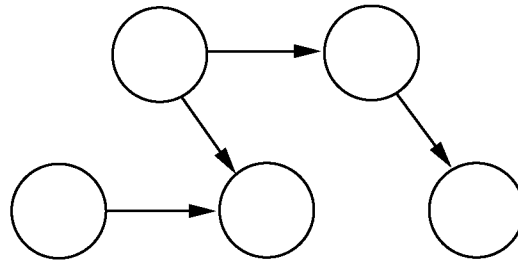
- Developed new annotation algorithm that takes task granularity into account:
  - Annotation is a heuristic process (several alternatives possible).
  - Taking task granularity into account during annotation can help make better choices and speed up annotation process.
  - Tasks with larger cost bounds given priority, small ones not parallelized.



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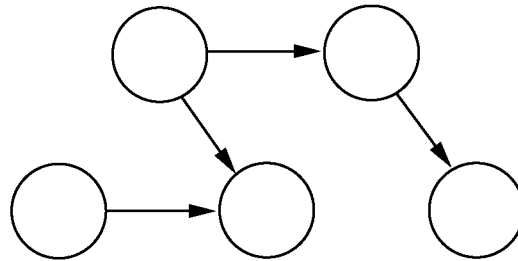
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MEL annotator:	$( a, b \ \& \ c, d \ \& \ e )$
UDG annotator:	$( c \ \& \ ( a, b, e ), d )$
Granularity-aware:	$( a, c, ( b \ \& \ d ), e )$

## Refinements (3): Using Execution Time Bounds/Estimates

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- Use estimations/bounds on *execution time* for controlling granularity (instead of steps/reductions).
  - Execution time generally dependent on platform characteristics ( $\approx$  constants) and input data sizes (unknowns).
  - Platform-dependent, one-time calibration using fixed set of programs:
    - Obtains value of the platform-dependent constants (costs of basic operations).
  - Platform-independent, compile-time analysis:
    - Infers cost functions (using modification of previous method), which return count of *basic operations* given input data sizes.
    - Incorporate the constants from the calibration.
- we obtain functions yielding *execution times* depending on size of input.
- Predicts execution times with *reasonable* accuracy (challenging!).
  - Improving by taking into account lower level factors (current work).

## Execution Time Estimation: Concrete Example

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- Consider `nrev` with mode:

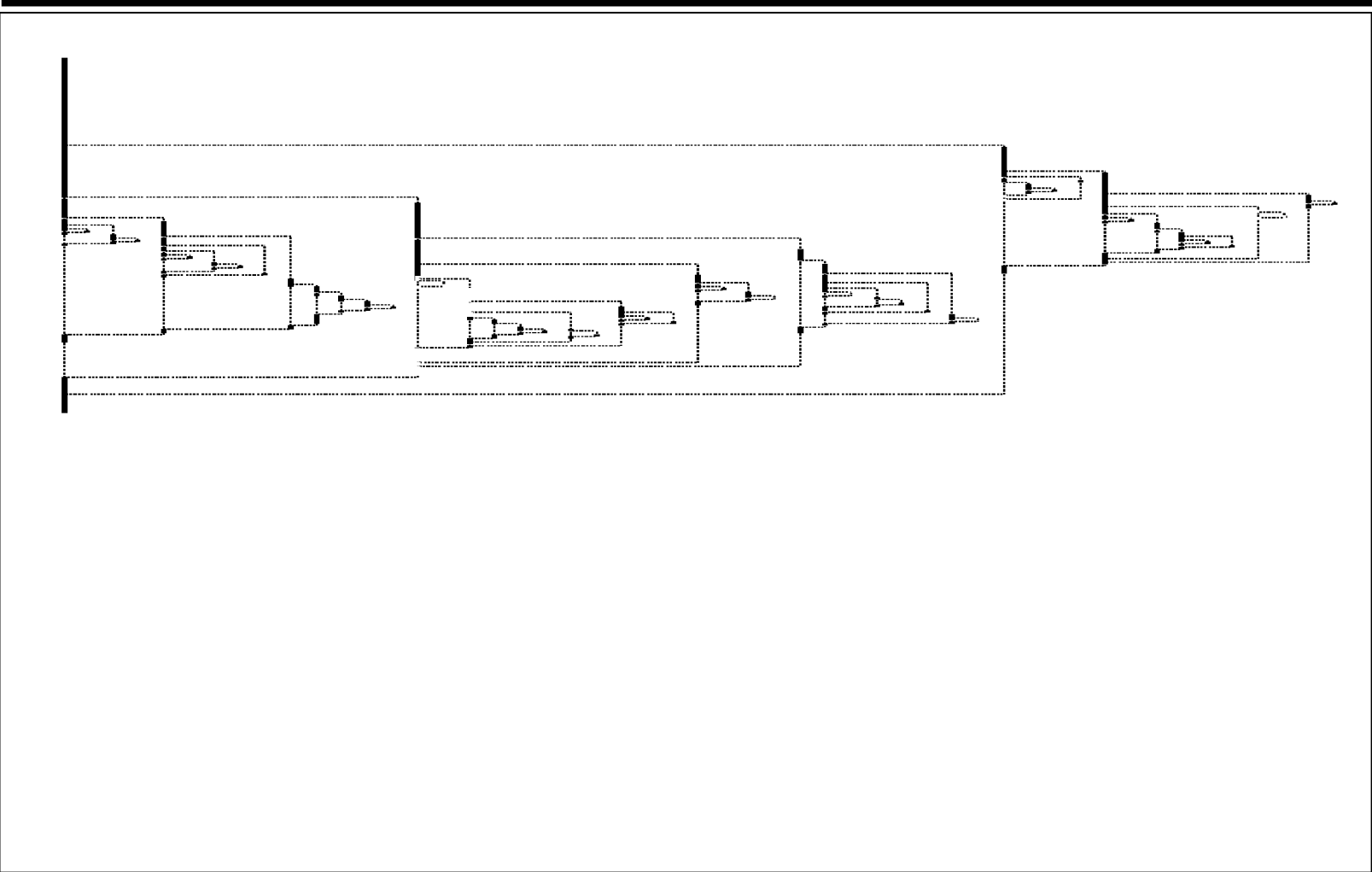
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:- pred nrev/2 : list(int) * var.
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- Estimation of execution time for a concrete input —consider:

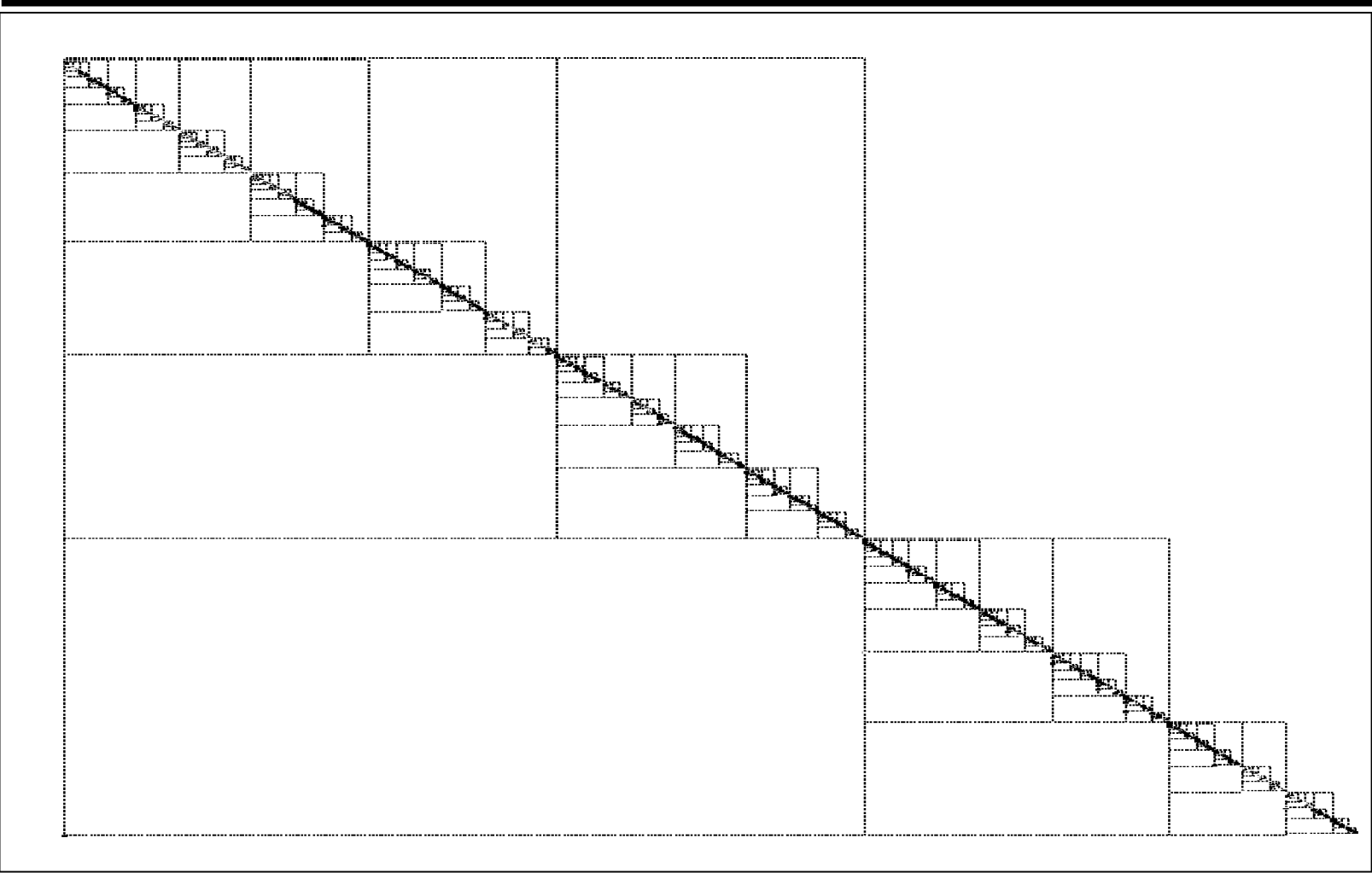
$A = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]$ ,  $\bar{n} = \text{length}(A) = 5$

	Once	Static Analysis	Application	
component	$K_{\omega_i}$	$\text{Cost}_p(I(\omega_i), \bar{n}) = C_i(\bar{n})$	$C_i(5)$	$K_{\omega_i} \times C_i(5)$
step	21.27	$0.5 \times n^2 + 1.5 \times n + 1$	21	446.7
nargs	9.96	$1.5 \times n^2 + 3.5 \times n + 2$	57	567.7
giunif	10.30	$0.5 \times n^2 + 3.5 \times n + 1$	31	319.3
gounif	8.23	$0.5 \times n^2 + 0.5 \times n + 1$	16	131.7
viunif	6.46	$1.5 \times n^2 + 1.5 \times n + 1$	45	290.7
vounif	5.69	$n^2 + n$	30	170.7
Execution time $\bar{K}_\Omega \bullet \bar{\text{Cost}}_p(\bar{I}(\bar{\Omega}), \bar{n})$ :				1926.8

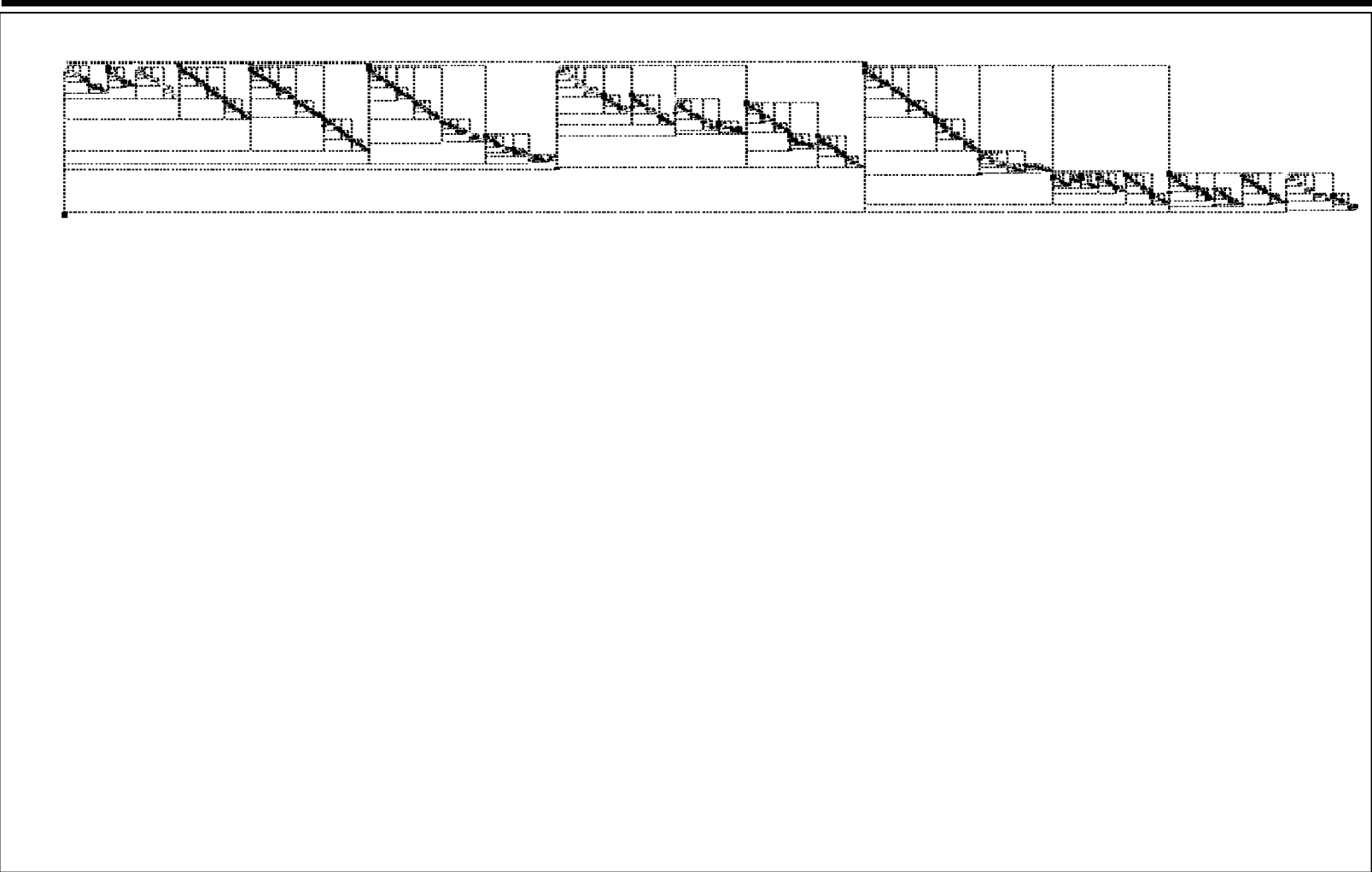
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# Fib 15, 1 processor

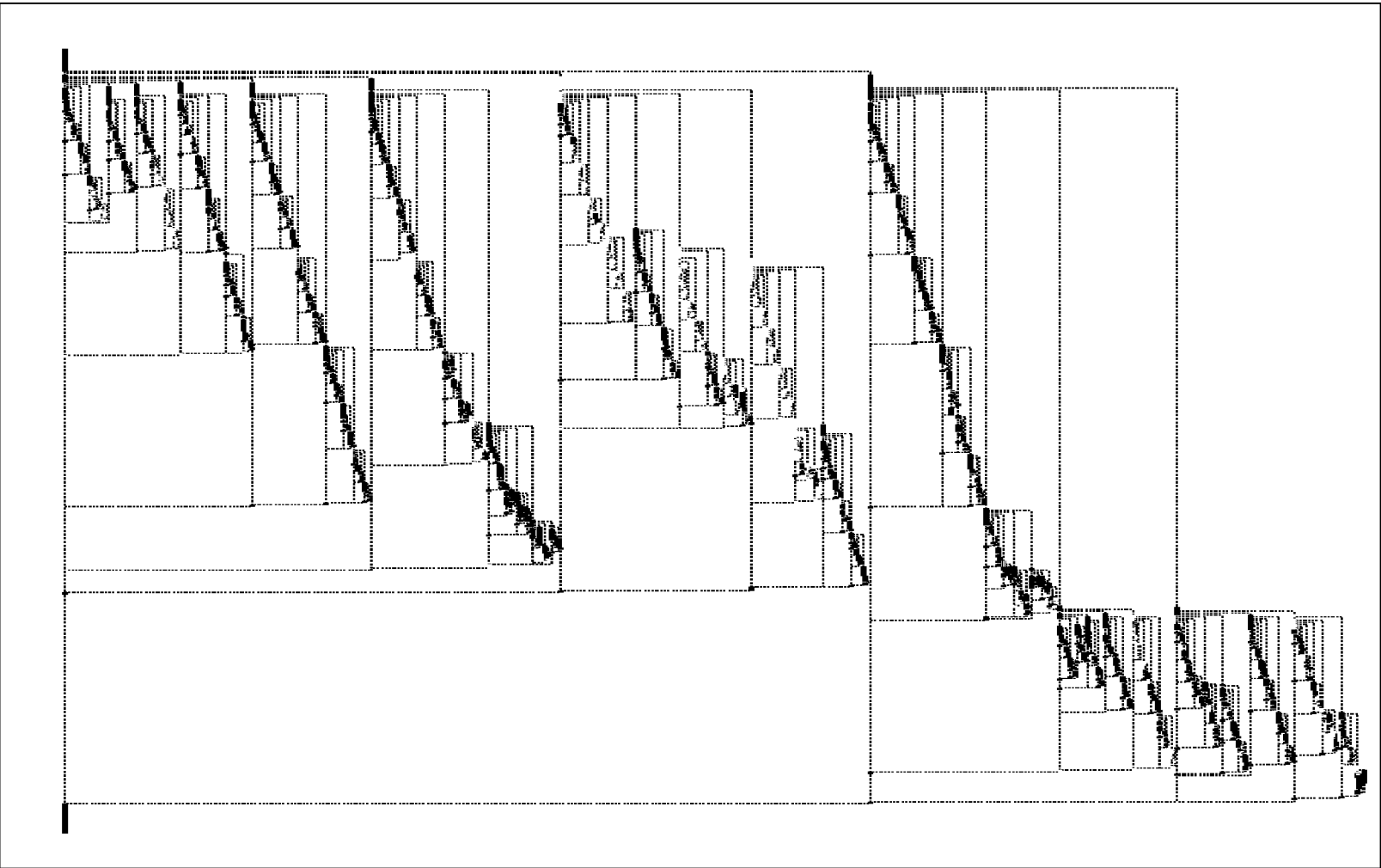


Fib 15, 8 processors (same scale)





# Fib 15, 8 processors (full scale)



Fib 15, 8 processors, with granularity control (same scale)

