

# Local Optimization

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                      ADD r5, r2, r4  
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LA r3 <addr of B>	LA r9 <addr of B>
LW r4, 0(r3)	LW r10, 0(r9)
ADD r5, r2, r4	ADD r11, r8, r10
LA r6 <addr of C>	LA r12 <addr of D>
SW r5, 0(r6)	SW r11, 0(r12)

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MOV D, C



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# one perspective on optimization

- Almost all compiler transformations fall into one of two categories:
  - **Optimizing** computation: simplifying computations, removing unnecessary or redundant computations
  - **Scheduling** computation: changing the order of when computations occur to improve code behavior
- These types of optimization can interact with each other: optimizing computations can change the impact of scheduling decisions, and scheduling decisions can enhance (or inhibit) opportunities for simplifying code

# optimizing computations

- Optimize translation of 3AC to assembly to improve generated code
  - Eliminate redundant computation: **common subexpression elimination**
  - Eliminate unused code: **dead code elimination**
  - Optimize use of registers, eliminate unneeded loads/stores: **register allocation**