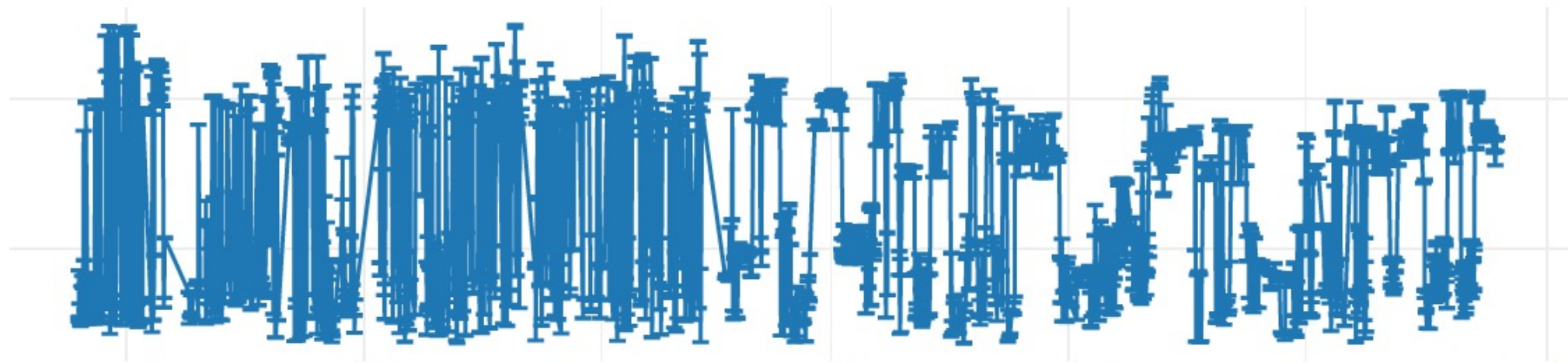


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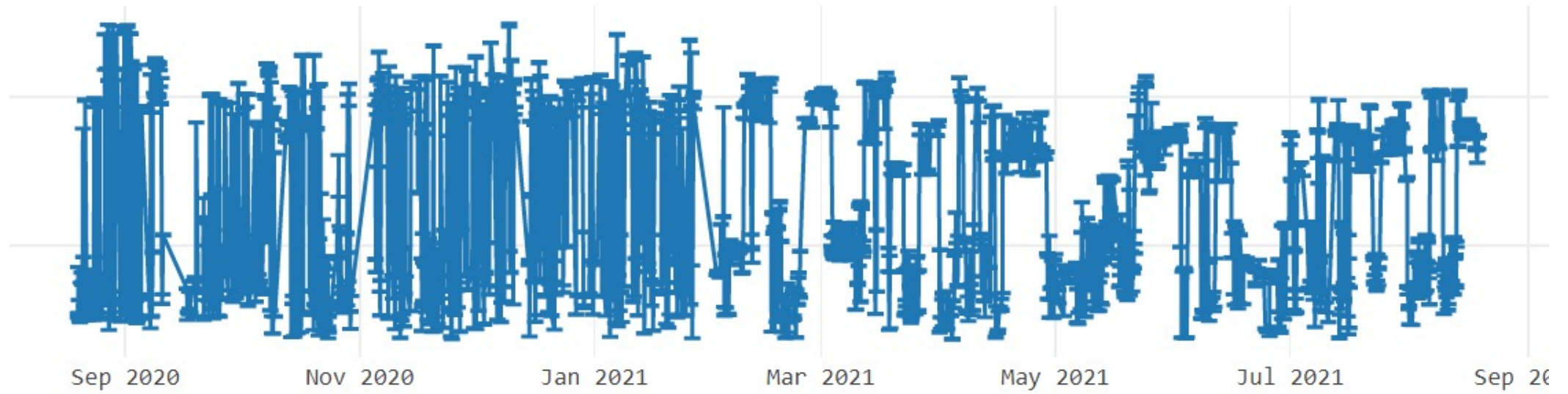




About me

- In Microsoft since 2009
- Loves Compiler domain and performance investigations
- Part of JIT team of .NET Runtime
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- Collaborator of nodejs/node and nodejs/node-chakracore
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- @KuXMLP

Imagine...



Agenda

- Triaging perf issues
- Deep dive on Code alignment
- Data alignment
- Other tooling improvements

Triaging perf issues

Process

- 1000+ libraries and runtime micro benchmarks
- Windows x86/x64/arm64, Ubuntu x64/arm64
- Ran 10+ times a day on batched commits
- Results aggregated and stored in a database
- Offline analysis of result to identify regressions/improvements
- Issues are filed in dotnet/perf-autofiling-issues
- v-team triage issues once in a week
 - Verify if it is a real issue
 - Narrow down the change that caused it
- Real issues are transferred to dotnet/runtime

Auto-filed issues

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Easy to triage issues

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Compare	7b19ccefccb4d116a64bf09c9bb1db3dd1df35e8
Diff	Diff

Regressions in System.Buffers.Text.Tests.Utf8ParserTests

Benchmark	Baseline	Test	Test/Base	Test Quality	Edge Detector	Baseline IR	Compare IR	IR Ratio	Baseline ETL
TryParseInt64 - Duration of single invocation	23.23 ns	27.85 ns	1.20	0.02	False				

System.Buffers.Text.Tests.Utf8ParserTests.TryParseInt64 (value: -9223372036854775808)



<https://github.com/dotnet/runtime/issues/56020>

Run Information

Architecture	x64
OS	ubuntu 18.04
Baseline	290430eedbfe0e690c8dd119bba6f5a95f2bef53
Compare	47e82c1f625428c02eb6b31d7a7400c53a8c24b9
Diff	Diff

Improvements in System.Tests.Perf_Guid

Benchmark	Baseline	Test	Test/Base	Test Quality	Edge Detector	Baseline IR	Compare IR	IR Ratio	Baseline ETL	Co
ctor_str - Duration of single invocation	61.05 ns	30.38 ns	0.50	0.02	True					
Parse - Duration of single invocation	60.29 ns	29.79 ns	0.49	0.03	False					
ParseExactD - Duration of single invocation	55.28 ns	25.21 ns	0.46	0.02	True					

System.Tests.Perf_Guid.ctor_str



<https://github.com/dotnet/perf-autofiling-issues/issues/517>

Demo

[Perf] Changes at 8/12/2021 3:35:05 AM #627 New issue

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Run Information

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OS	ubuntu 18.04
Baseline	08123228999d879dc12cf83b4f922ba4de789668
Compare	60f1105f6acaa5cd98b4c16fcec1328d3935b90e
Diff	Diff

Improvements in Microsoft.Extensions.DependencyInjection.GetServiceEnumerable

Benchmark	Baseline	Test	Test/Base	Test Quality	Edge Detector	Baseline IR	Compare IR	IR Ratio	Baseline ETL	Cc
Scoped - Duration of single invocation	332.37 ns	247.45 ns	0.74	0.48	False					
Transient - Duration of single invocation	15.70 µs	433.17 ns	0.03	0.51	True					

Microsoft.Extensions.DependencyInjection.GetServiceEnumerable.Scoped

Microsoft.Extensions.DependencyInjection.GetServiceEnumerable.Transient

Assignees
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ubuntu 18.04

Projects
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Milestone
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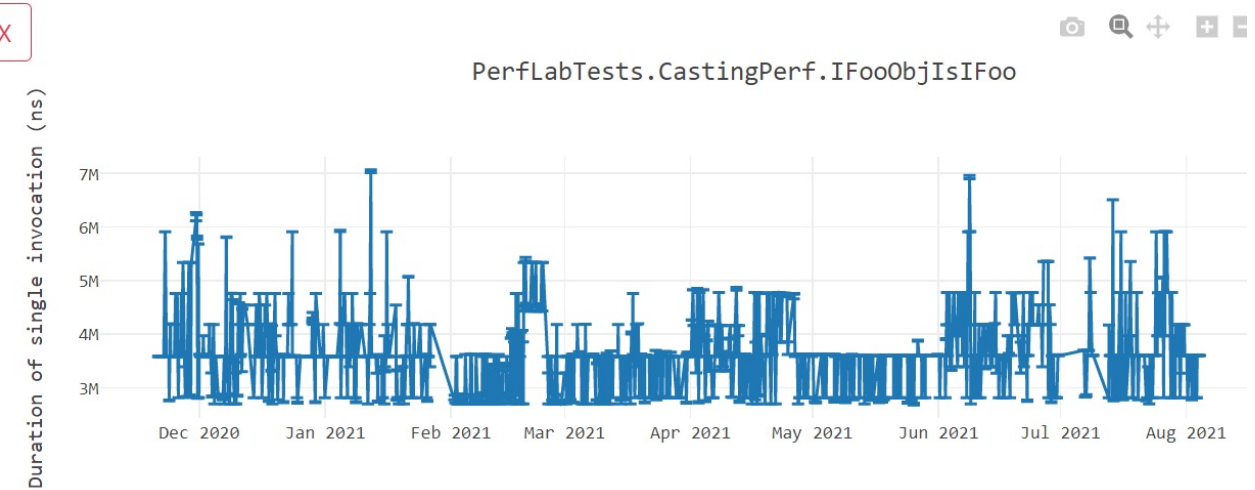
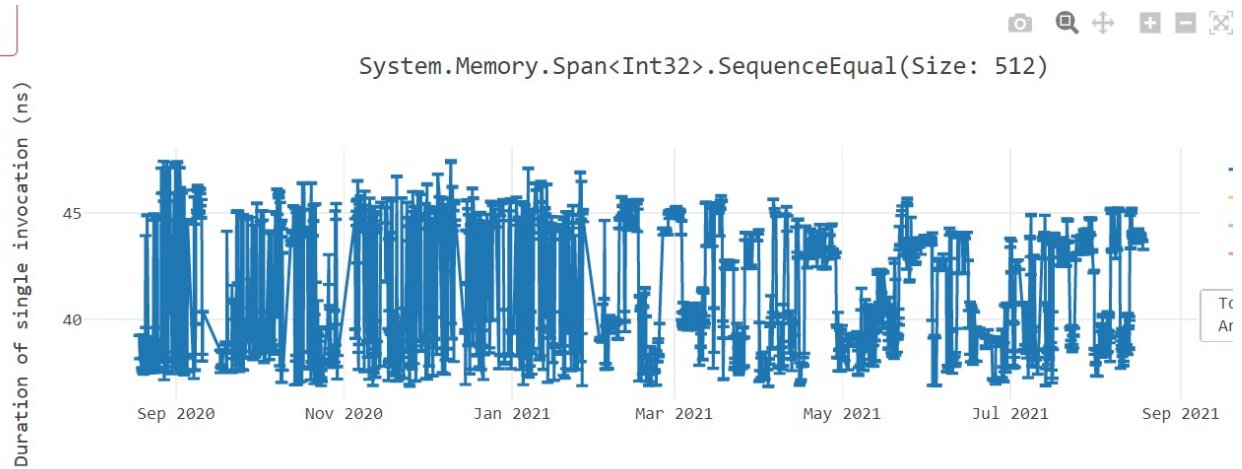
Linked pull requests
Successfully merging a pull request may close this issue.
None yet

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Difficult to triage



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Improvements in .NET 6

- Replaced <https://github.com/DrewScoggins/performance-2> with <https://github.com/dotnet/perf-autofiling-issues>
- Statistical analysis improvements by Drew
- Microsoft Edge team's regression analyzer
- ML analyzer

TODOs for .NET 7

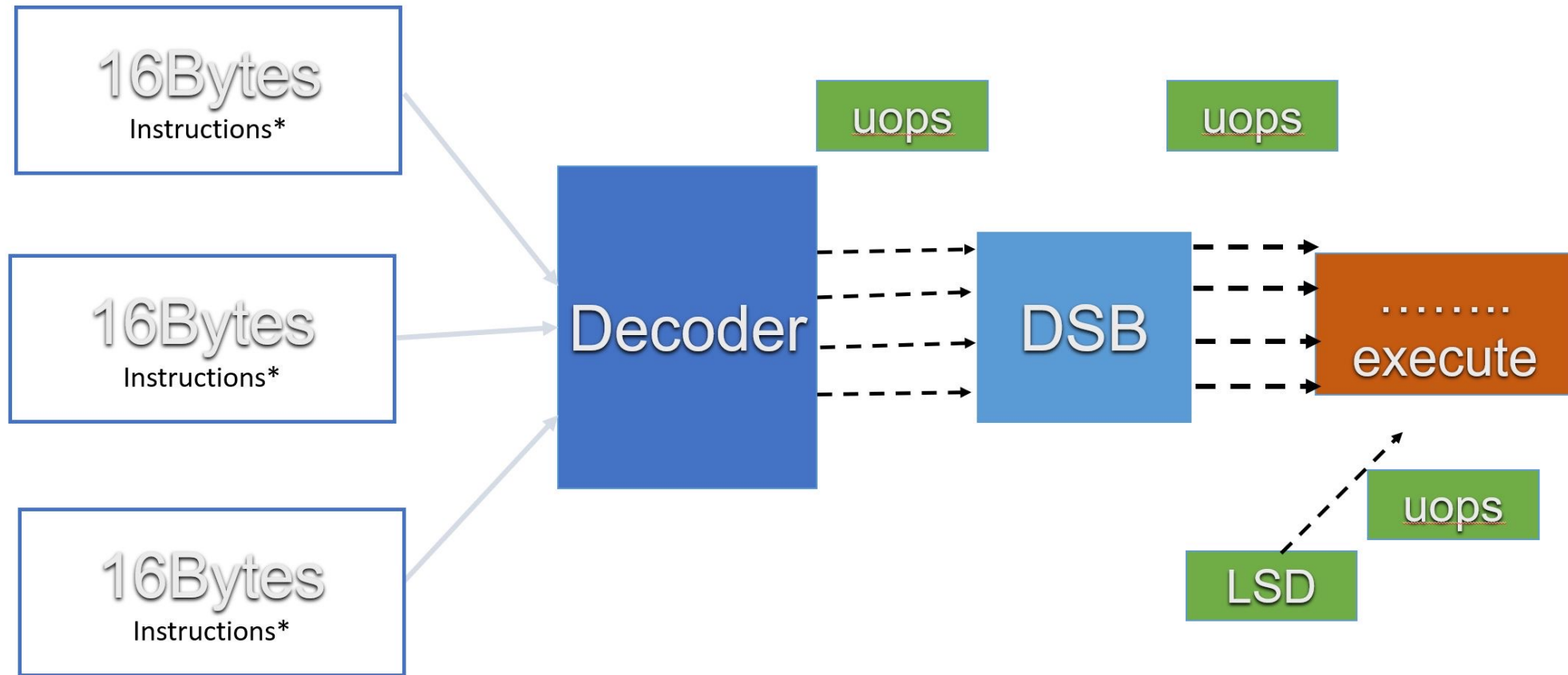
- Eliminate false positives and noisy issues
- Integrate ML/Edge analyzer to flag real issues
- Re-bucketize the issues
 - All benchmarks affected by given commit range has a single issue
- Ambitious: Auto pilot mode

Code alignment

Assembly code on the way...



Computer Architecture 101



Alignment

- CISC (Intel/AMD)

Address	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
00007ff9a59feb80	Red	Red	Light Blue	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Blue	Blue	Blue	Brown	Brown	Cyan
00007ff9a59feb90	Green	Green	Brown	Brown	Dark Grey	Red	Red	Purple	Purple	Purple	Light Blue	Light Blue	Light Blue	Light Blue	X	X
00007ff9a59febA0	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	Green
00007ff9a59febB0	Green	Cyan	Purple	Purple	Purple	Light Blue	Light Blue	Dark Grey	Dark Grey	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown

- RISC (Arm)

Address	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
00007ff9a59feb80	Red	Red	Red	Red	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown
00007ff9a59feb90	Green	Green	Green	Green	Dark Grey	Dark Grey	Dark Grey	Dark Grey	Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Light Green	Light Green	Light Green	Light Green
00007ff9a59febA0	Light Green	Light Green	Light Green	Light Green	Light Orange	Light Orange	Light Orange	Light Orange	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green	Green	Green
00007ff9a59febB0	Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Light Blue	Light Blue	Light Blue	Light Blue	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Red	Red	Red	Red

- Synonyms: Padding, NOPs, align instructions
- 16B: (address % 16) == 0

Method alignment in .NET 5

- Only for Windows x86/x64, and Ubuntu x64
- Methods having loops starts at 32B boundary
- Hot Ngen code starts at 16B boundary
- Smaller (< 16 bytes) JITed methods starts at 16B boundary
- Else:
 - Methods on x86 starts at 4B boundary
 - Methods on x64 starts at 8B boundary

Loop alignment in .NET 6

- Identify hot inner most loop(s)
- Add NOP instructions to align the loop code

```
00007ffd`10d1b4c8      41C1EB1F      shr     r11d, 31
00007ffd`10d1b4cc      4585D3        test   r10d, r11d
00007ffd`10d1b4cf      7429         je     SHORT G_M58758_IG05
00007ffd`10d1b4d1                align   [15 bytes]
; ..... 32B boundary .....

G_M58758_IG03:
00007ffd`10d1b4e0      4D63D1        movsxd r10, r9d
00007ffd`10d1b4e3      4203449110    add   eax, dword ptr [rcx+4*r10+16]
00007ffd`10d1b4e8      4503C1        add   r8d, r9d
00007ffd`10d1b4eb      412BC0        sub   eax, r8d
00007ffd`10d1b4ee      03C2         add   eax, edx
00007ffd`10d1b4f0      41FFC1        inc   r9d
00007ffd`10d1b4f3      443BCA        cmp   r9d, edx
00007ffd`10d1b4f6      7CE8         jl   SHORT G_M58758_IG03

G_M58758_IG04:
00007ffd`10d1b4f8      EB1E         jmp   SHORT G_M58758_IG06

G_M58758_IG05:
00007ffd`10d1b4fa      443B4908     cmp   r9d, dword ptr [rcx+8]
00007ffd`10d1b4fe      7320         jae   SHORT G_M58758_IG08
; ..... 32B boundary .....
00007ffd`10d1b500      4D63D1        movsxd r10, r9d
00007ffd`10d1b503      4203449110    add   eax, dword ptr [rcx+4*r10+16]
```

Loop selection

- Align only non-nested loops
- Expensive to align every loop
- Developer controls alignment
 - LLVM: “-align-all-*”
 - GCC: “-falign-loops”

```
void Method(int N, int M, bool some_condition) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
        // alignment candidate  
        for (int j = 0; j < M; j++) {  
            // body  
        }  
    }  
  
    if (some_condition) {  
        return;  
    }  
  
    // alignment candidacy depends on frequency  
    // we come here  
    for (int i = 0; i < M + N; i++) {  
        // body  
    }  
}
```

No alignment – Loops with calls

- Alignment reduces code fetches
- Method call swaps caller code with callee code
- Alignment cannot benefit such loops
- For inlined calls, continue loop alignment

```
void Method(int N, bool some_condition) {  
    // no alignment because of method call  
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
        if (some_condition) {  
            MethodCall();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

No alignment – Cloned loops

```
public static void M(int[] c, int N) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
        c[i] += 1;  
    }  
}
```

```
public static void M(int[] c, int N) {  
    if (N == 0) {  
        return;  
    }  
  
    int i = 0;  
  
    if ((c != null) && (c.Length > N)) {  
        // fast loop - alignment candidate  
        for (; i < N; i++) {  
            c[i] += 1;  
        }  
    }  
    else {  
        // slow loop - no alignment  
        for (; i < N; i++) {  
            if (c.Length <= i) {  
                throw new IndexOutOfRangeException("");  
            }  
  
            c[i] += 1;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

No alignment – Unrolled loops

```
public static int M(int sum) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++) {  
        sum += i;  
    }  
  
    return sum;  
}
```

```
public static int M(int sum) {  
    sum += 1;  
    sum += 2;  
    sum += 3;  
    sum += 4;  
  
    return sum;  
}
```


Loop size matters!

- Small loops shows most benefits
- Large loops needs several code fetches anyway
 - Alignment won't help prevent or reduce the fetches
- Align loops only if they fit in 3 chunks of 32B i.e. 96 bytes long

Alignment boundary choices

- Alignment boundary choices = 16B, 32B or 64B
- Recommended boundary by Intel/AMD/Arm = 32B
- Default to 32B alignment boundary*

* Varies for adaptive vs. non-adaptive loop alignment

32B alignment

```
public static void M(int[] c, int N) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
        // some code  
  
        // loop alignment candidate  
        for (int j = 0; j < c.Length; j++) {  
            // some code  
        }  
    }  
  
    // some code  
}
```

```
G_M58758_IG03:  
00007ffd`10d0b4cb      movsxd   rax, r10d  
00007ffd`10d0b4ce      add      r8d, dword ptr [rcx+4*rax+16]  
00007ffd`10d0b4d3      add      r9d, r10d  
; ..... 32B boundary .....  
00007ffd`10d0b4d6      sub      r8d, r9d  
00007ffd`10d0b4d9      add      r8d, edx  
00007ffd`10d0b4dc      xor      esi, esi  
00007ffd`10d0b4de      test     r11d, r11d  
00007ffd`10d0b4e1      jle     SHORT G_M58758_IG05  
00007ffd`10d0b4e3      align   [29 bytes]  
; ..... 32B boundary .....  
  
G_M58758_IG04:  
00007ffd`10d0b500      lea     rdi, bword ptr [rcx+4*rax+16]  
00007ffd`10d0b505      add     dword ptr [rdi], r10d  
00007ffd`10d0b508      add     r8d, r10d  
00007ffd`10d0b50b      add     r9d, r10d  
00007ffd`10d0b50e      inc     esi  
00007ffd`10d0b510      cmp     r11d, esi  
00007ffd`10d0b513      jg     SHORT G_M58758_IG04  
  
G_M58758_IG05:  
00007ffd`10d0b515      inc     r10d  
00007ffd`10d0b518      cmp     r10d, edx  
00007ffd`10d0b51b      jl     SHORT G_M58758_IG03
```

Drawbacks

- To align code to N-byte boundary, need at most N-1 bytes padding
- Sometimes, more padding added than the loop size
- More code memory is consumed
- Penalty of fetching and decoding NOPs if padding is for deeply nested loop
- aka Non-adaptive loop alignment

Adaptive loop alignment

- Padding amount threshold depends on the loop size
 - More padding for small loops
 - Less padding for larger loops
- Adjust alignment boundary from 32B -> 16B
 - For 32B, if padding needed is large, try to align to 16B
 - Instead of bailing out, give one more try to align loop

Adaptive loop alignment cont.

- 32B boundary

Max Pad (bytes)	Minimum 32B blocks needed to fit the loop
15	1 (32 bytes)
7	2 (64 bytes)
3	3 (96 bytes)
1	4 (128 bytes)

- 16B boundary

Max Pad (bytes)	Minimum 32B blocks needed to fit the loop
7	1 (32 bytes)
3	2 (64 bytes)
1	3 (96 bytes)

32B adaptive alignment

```
public static void M(int[] c, int N) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
        // some code  
  
        // loop alignment candidate  
        for (int j = 0; j < c.Length; j++) {  
            // some code  
        }  
    }  
  
    // some code  
}
```

```
G_M58758_IG03:  
00007ffd`10d3b496      movsxd   rax, r10d  
00007ffd`10d3b499      add     r8d, dword ptr [rcx+4*rax+16]  
00007ffd`10d3b49e      add     r9d, r10d  
; ..... 32B boundary .....  
00007ffd`10d3b4a1      sub     r8d, r9d  
00007ffd`10d3b4a4      add     r8d, edx  
00007ffd`10d3b4a7      xor     esi, esi  
00007ffd`10d3b4a9      test    r11d, r11d  
00007ffd`10d3b4ac      jle     SHORT G_M58758_IG05  
00007ffd`10d3b4ae      align   [2 bytes]  
  
G_M58758_IG04:  
00007ffd`10d3b4b0      lea    rdi, bword ptr [rcx+4*rax+16]  
00007ffd`10d3b4b5      add    dword ptr [rdi], r10d  
00007ffd`10d3b4b8      add    r8d, r10d  
00007ffd`10d3b4bb      add    r9d, r10d  
00007ffd`10d3b4be      inc    esi  
; ..... 32B boundary .....  
00007ffd`10d3b4c0      cmp    r11d, esi  
00007ffd`10d3b4c3      jg     SHORT G_M58758_IG04  
  
G_M58758_IG05:  
00007ffd`10d3b4c5      inc    r10d  
00007ffd`10d3b4c8      cmp    r10d, edx  
00007ffd`10d3b4cb      jl     SHORT G_M58758_IG03
```

Skip alignment for pre-aligned loops

- Loops that start at 32B boundary

```
00007ff9a91f597a      cmp     dword ptr [rbp+8], r8d
00007ff9a91f597e      jl     SHORT G_M24050_IG12
; ..... 32B boundary .....
00007ff9a91f5980      align  [0 bytes]

G_M24050_IG10:
00007ff9a91f5980      movsxd rdx, ecx
00007ff9a91f5983      mov     r9, qword ptr [rbp+8*rdx+16]
00007ff9a91f5988      mov     qword ptr [rsi+8*rdx+16], r9
00007ff9a91f598d      inc     ecx
00007ff9a91f598f      cmp     r8d, ecx
00007ff9a91f5992      jg     SHORT G_M24050_IG10
```

Skip alignment for pre-aligned loops

- Loops that fit in a single 32B block

```
; ..... 32B boundary .....
00007ff9a921a903      call    CORINFO_HELP_NEWARR_1_VC
00007ff9a921a908      xor     ecx, ecx
00007ff9a921a90a      mov     edx, dword ptr [rax+8]
00007ff9a921a90d      test   edx, edx
00007ff9a921a90f      jle    SHORT G_M24257_IG05
00007ff9a921a911      align  [0 bytes]

G_M24257_IG04:
00007ff9a921a911      movsxd r8, ecx
00007ff9a921a914      mov    qword ptr [rax+8*r8+16], rsi
00007ff9a921a919      inc   ecx
00007ff9a921a91b      cmp   edx, ecx
00007ff9a921a91d      jg    SHORT G_M24257_IG04

G_M24257_IG05:
00007ff9a921a91f      add   rsp, 40
; ..... 32B boundary .....
```

Skip alignment for pre-aligned loops

- Loop already present in minimum blocks needed

```
; ..... 32B boundary .....
00007ff9a921c662      mov     r12d, dword ptr [r14+8]
00007ff9a921c666      test   r12d, r12d
00007ff9a921c669      jle    SHORT G_M11250_IG07
00007ff9a921c66b      align  [0 bytes]

G_M11250_IG04:      ; 35-bytes loop
00007ff9a921c66b      cmp    r15d, ebx
00007ff9a921c66e      jae    G_M11250_IG19
00007ff9a921c674      movsxd rax, r15d
00007ff9a921c677      shl   rax, 5
00007ff9a921c67b      vmovupd ymm0, ymmword ptr[rsi+rax+16]
; ..... 32B boundary .....
00007ff9a921c681      vmovupd ymmword ptr[r14+rax+16], ymm0
00007ff9a921c688      inc   r15d
00007ff9a921c68b      cmp   r12d, r15d
00007ff9a921c68e      jg    SHORT G_M11250_IG04

G_M11250_IG05:
00007ff9a921c690      jmp   SHORT G_M11250_IG07
; ..... 32B boundary .....
```


Padding placement

- Currently, placed before the loop's first instruction
- Can be in a blind spot behind an unconditional jump
- Can be in a cold block

```
00007ff9a59feb6b      jmp     SHORT G_M17025_IG30

G_M17025_IG29:
00007ff9a59feb6d      mov     rax, rcx

G_M17025_IG30:
00007ff9a59feb70      mov     ecx, eax
00007ff9a59feb72      shr     ecx, 3
00007ff9a59feb75      xor     r8d, r8d
00007ff9a59feb78      test    ecx, ecx
00007ff9a59feb7a      jbe     SHORT G_M17025_IG32
00007ff9a59feb7c      align  [4 bytes]
; ..... 32B boundary .....

G_M17025_IG31:
00007ff9a59feb80      vmovupd xmm0, xmmword ptr [rdi]
00007ff9a59feb84      vptest  xmm0, xmm6
00007ff9a59feb89      jne     SHORT G_M17025_IG33
00007ff9a59feb8b      vpackuswb xmm0, xmm0, xmm0
00007ff9a59feb8f      vmovq   xmmword ptr [rsi], xmm0
00007ff9a59feb93      add     rdi, 16
00007ff9a59feb97      add     rsi, 8
00007ff9a59feb9b      inc     r8d
00007ff9a59feb9e      cmp     r8d, ecx
; ..... 32B boundary .....
00007ff9a59feba1      jb     SHORT G_M17025_IG31
```

Padding placement

- Padding can be converted to an unconditional jump
- Spread the padding across cold blocks

From:

```
    align [14 bytes]
IG_05:
    ...
    jne JG_05
```

To:

```
    jmp IG_05
    align [12 bytes] ; assuming 3 bytes were consumed in jmp above
IG_05:
    ...
    jne IG_05
```

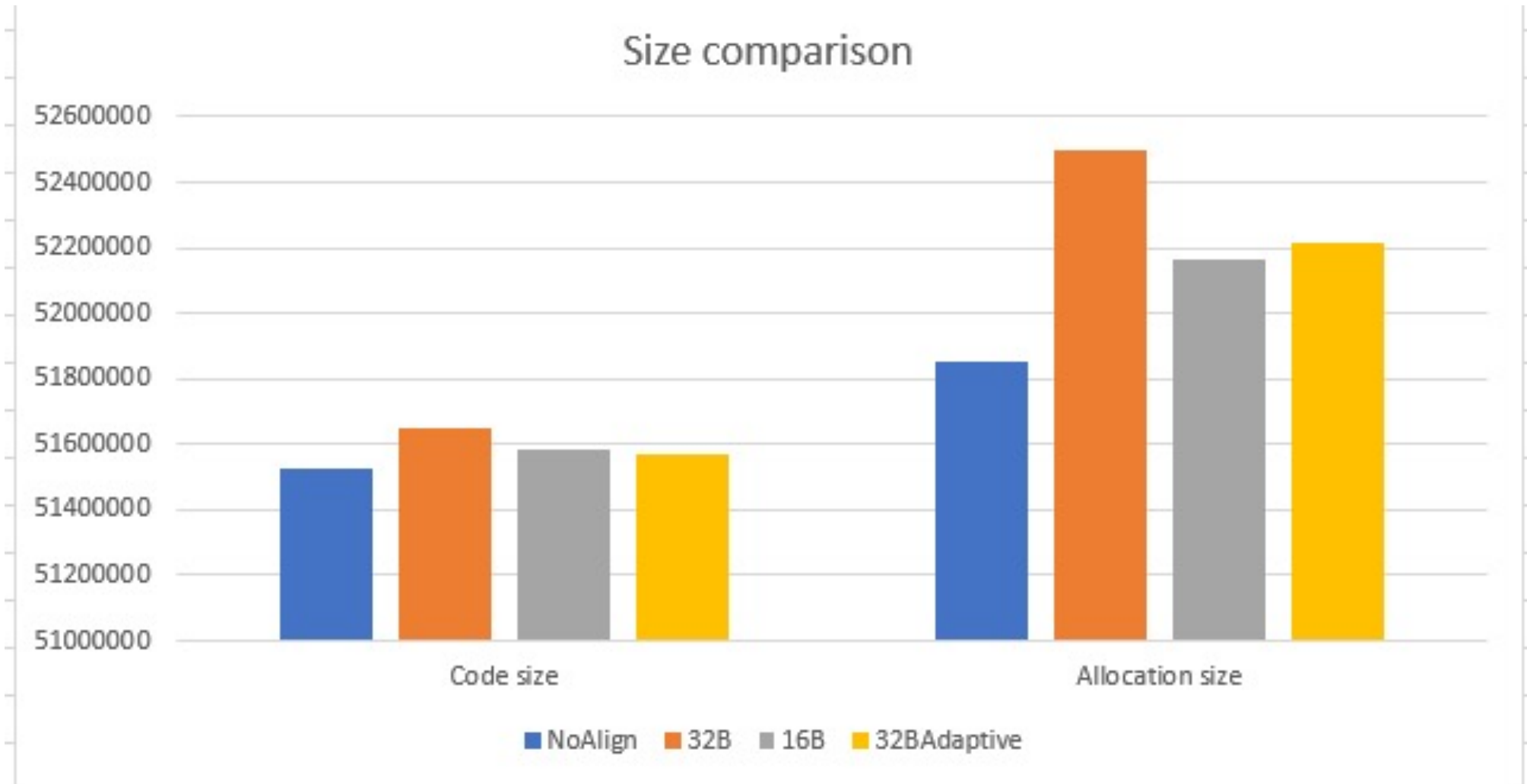
Recap

- Identify hot non-nested loop that needs alignment
 - Filtered loops with calls, cloned loops, etc.
- Determine if loop is small enough to benefit from padding
- Determine if the loop is not pre-aligned
- Determine the padding amount to be added
- Add the padding before the loop

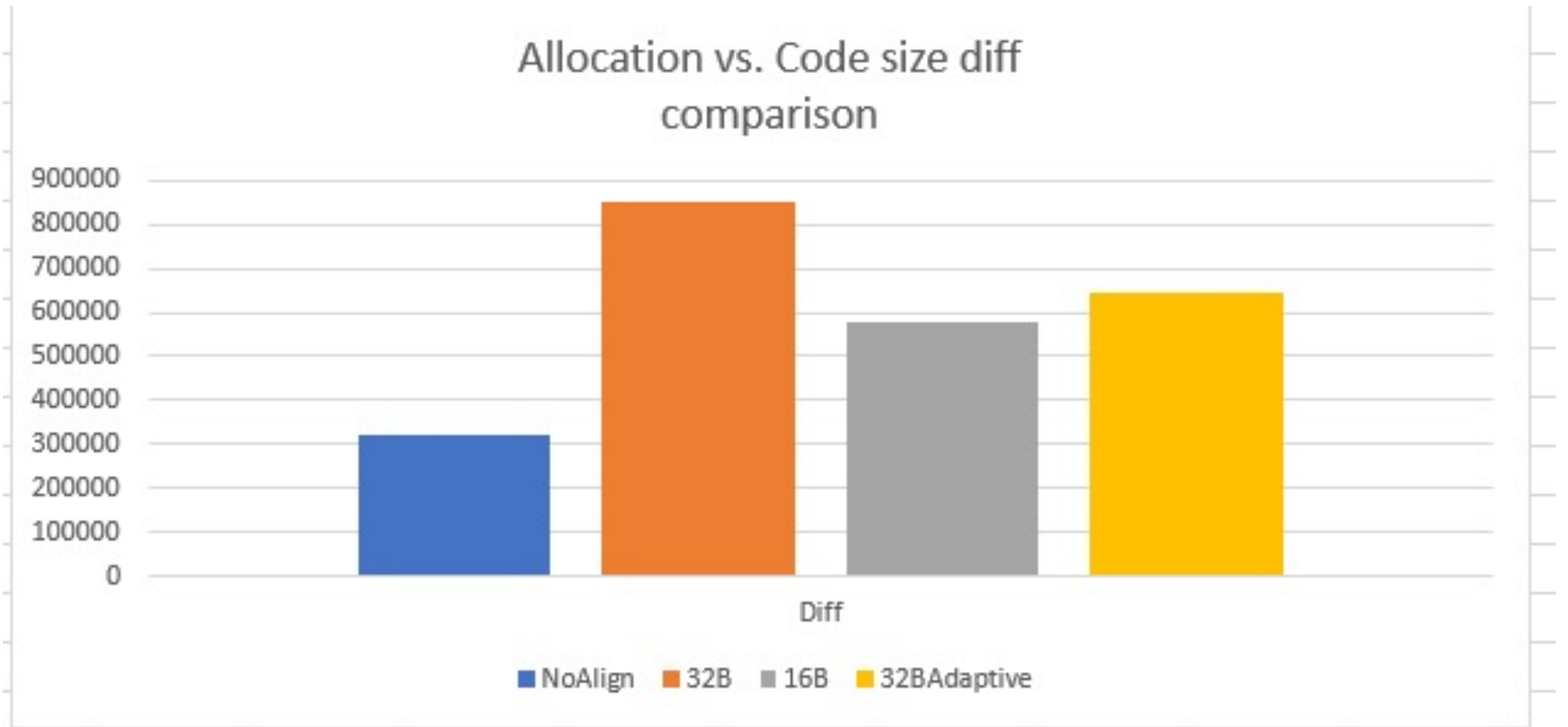
[Optional] Nasty details

- During codegen, walk the program tree and calculate instruction sizes to find out memory needed to store machine code
- Based on instruction size estimate, we predetermine how much padding to add
- Allocate memory from runtime
- During outputting instructions in final memory, we see some are over-estimated
- Need to add extra NOP to compensate over-estimation such that the padding amount is still valid

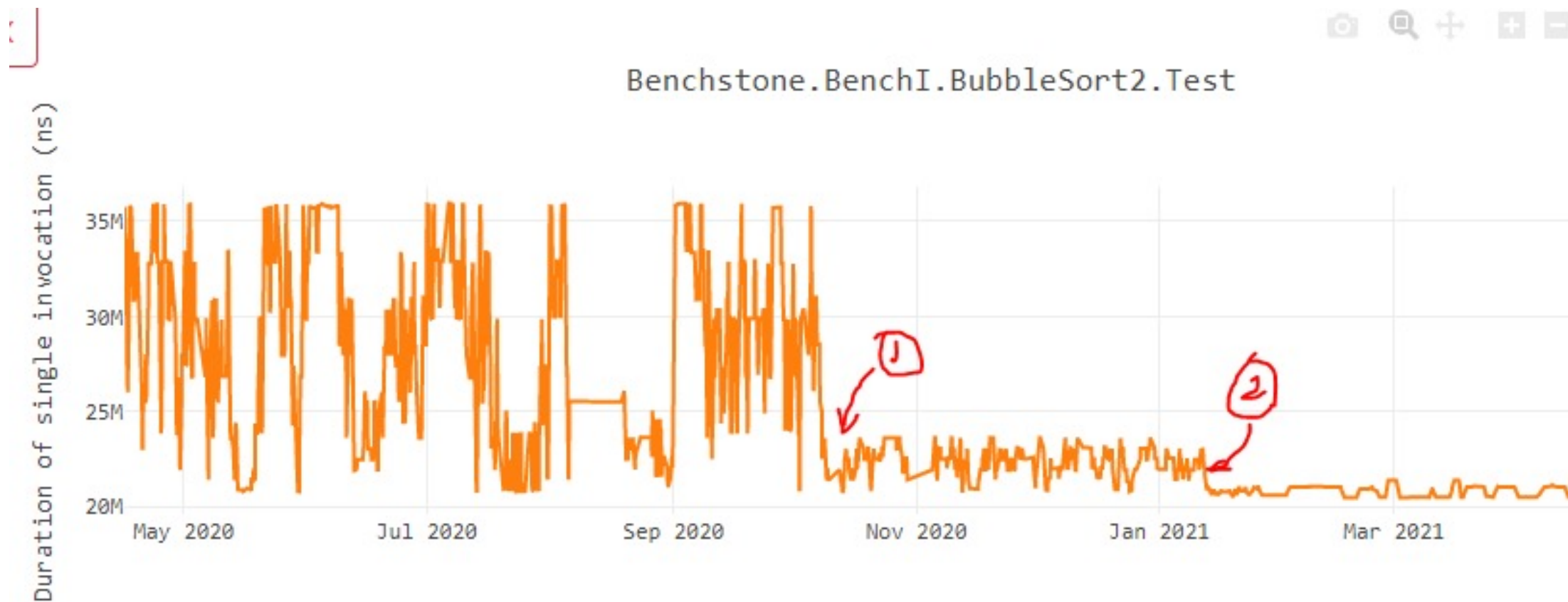
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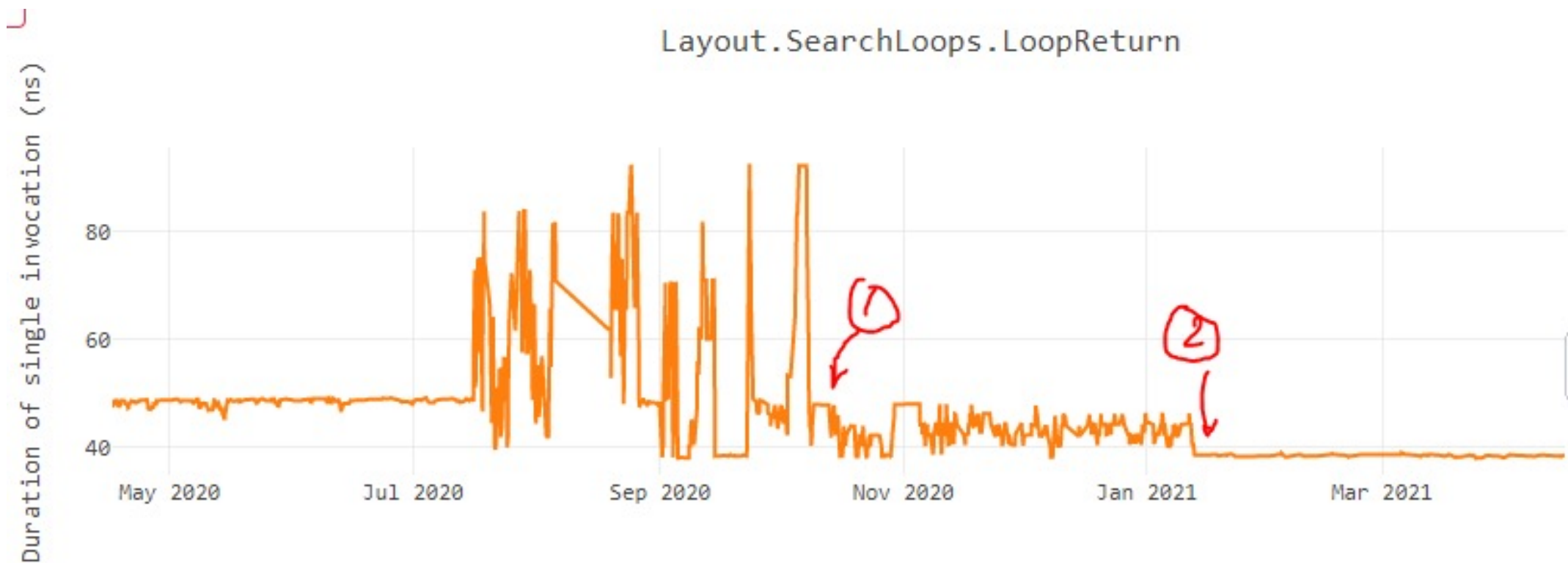
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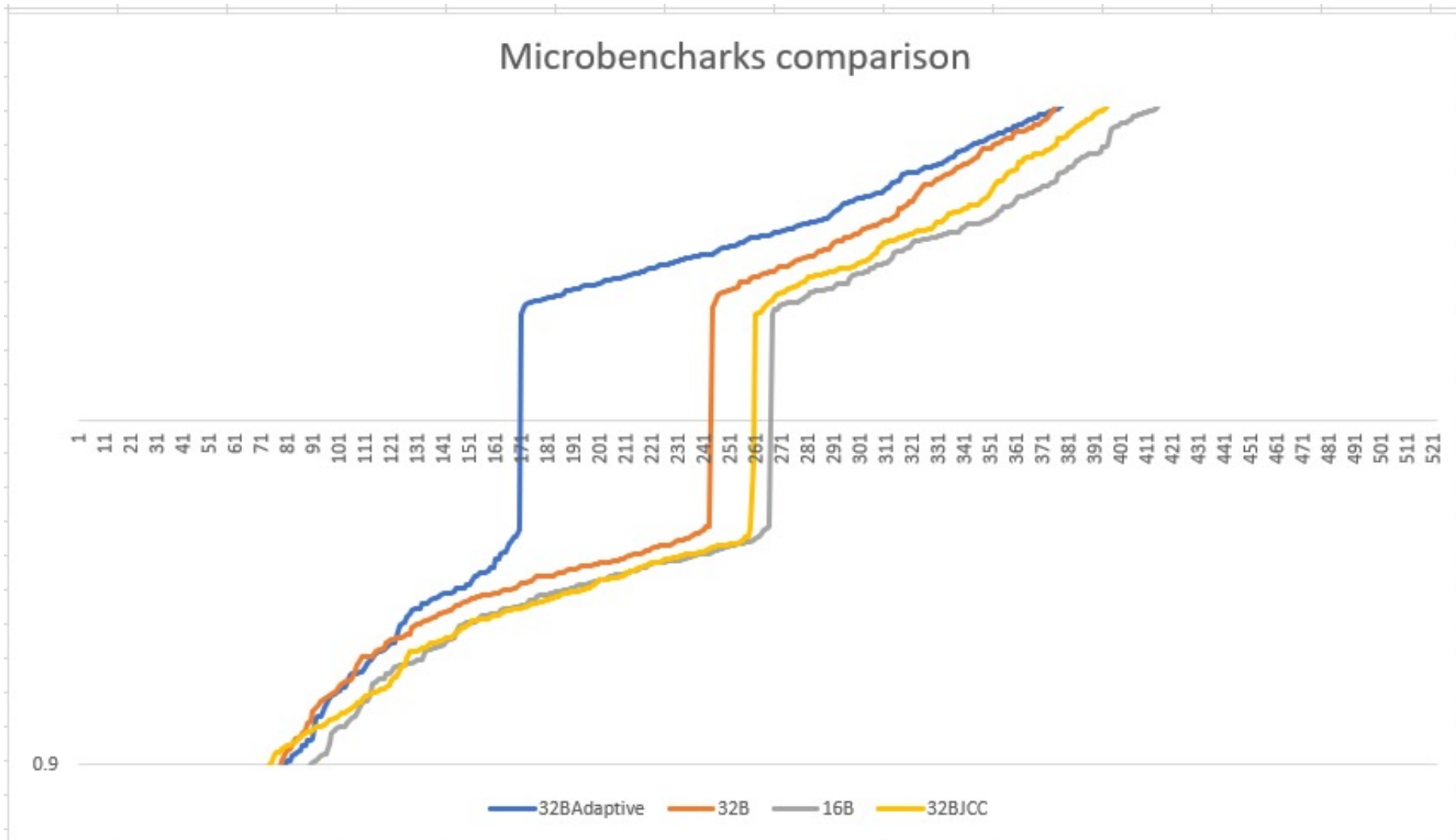
Impact on Performance/Stability



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Overall comparison



TODOs for .NET 7

- Loop alignment for ReadyToRun code
- Loop alignment for Arm64
- Improve padding placement

Why I love this feature?

- Sounds simple





Scott Arbeit @ScottArbeit · Mar 27

.NET is already the fastest major application platform in the world.

How serious is .NET about performance? They've just done loop alignment optimizations that are better than GCC's and LLVM's.

Incredibly detailed blog post... congratulations [@KuXMLP](#).

 **.NET**  @dotnet · Mar 25

Loop alignment in .NET 6 devblogs.microsoft.com/dotnet/loop-al...

Data alignment

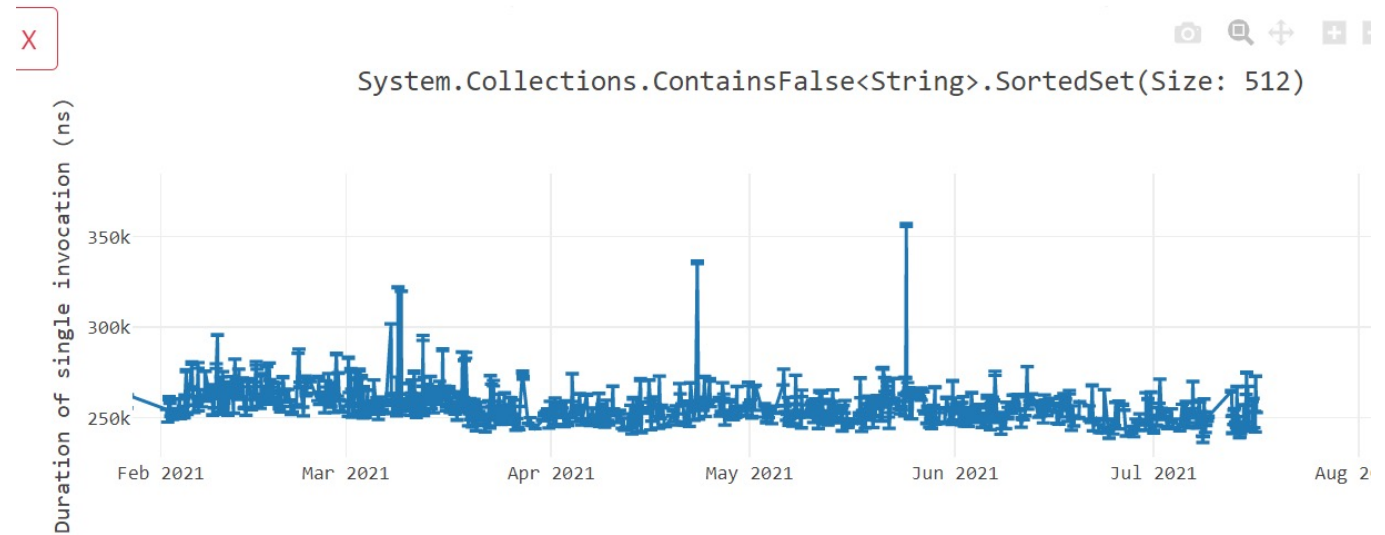
What is the issue?

- Performance **can** degrade due to unaligned memory access
- Degradation amplifies if access is inside a loop
- MicroBenchmarks allocates data once and access/update it inside benchmark code
- Source of performance instability if nothing else changed between two runs

Sample benchmark code

```
[GlobalSetup]
public void Setup() {
    var values = ValuesGenerator.ArrayOfUniqueValues<T>(Size * 2);
    _notFound = values.Take(Size).ToArray();
    _sortedSet = new SortedSet<T>();
}
```

```
[Benchmark]
public bool SortedSet() {
    bool result = default;
    SortedSet<T> collection = _sortedSet;
    T[] notFound = _notFound;
    for (int i = 0; i < notFound.Length; i++)
        result ^= collection.Contains(notFound[i]);
    return result;
}
```



Memory randomization

- Allocate random memory in GlobalSetup
- Invoke GlobalSetup after every iteration of benchmark execution
- Verify the histogram of measurement distribution

Sample usage

```
public class IntroMemoryRandomization {
    [Params(512 * 4)]
    public int Size;

    private int[] _array;
    private int[] _destination;

    [GlobalSetup]
    public void Setup() {
        _array = new int[Size];
        _destination = new int[Size];
    }

    [Benchmark]
    public void Array() => System.Array.Copy(_array, _destination, Size);
}
```

<https://github.com/dotnet/BenchmarkDotNet/pull/1587>

- Default

```
----- Histogram -----
[502.859 ns ; 508.045 ns) | @@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@
-----
```

- Memory randomization with no outlier removed

```
dotnet run -c Release --memoryRandomization true --outliers DontRemove --maxIterationCount 50
```

```
----- Histogram -----
[108.803 ns ; 213.537 ns) | @@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@
[213.537 ns ; 315.458 ns) |
[315.458 ns ; 446.853 ns) | @@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@
[446.853 ns ; 559.259 ns) | @@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@
-----
```

TODOs for .NET 7

- Turn ON by default
- Investigate the impact of measurement history, if made ON
- Annotate 1000+ benchmarks if they are impacted by memory randomization?

Tooling improvements

Superpmi collections

- Collection of cached method contexts

Collection type	Number of methods
Libraries pmi	233,282
Benchmarks run	26,777
Coreclr tests	254,004
Libraries tests	344,291
ASP.NET benchmarks run	43,533

- Metrics: Code size, PerfScore, Allocation Size, Instruction count

Superpmi diffs

```
Summary of Perf Score diffs:  
(Lower is better)
```

```
Total PerfScoreUnits of base: 767855166.8899993  
Total PerfScoreUnits of diff: 766740526.5299989  
Total PerfScoreUnits of delta: -1114640.36 (-0.15% of base)
```

```
Total relative delta: -15.42  
diff is an improvement.  
relative diff is an improvement.
```

```
1114 total files with Perf Score differences (941 improved, 173 regressed), 721 unchanged.
```

```
Top method regressions (PerfScoreUnits):
```

```
14260.78 ( 2.99% of base) : 12425.dasm - DynamicClass:Regex1_Go(System.Text.RegularExpressions.RegexRunner)  
528.00 ( 8.70% of base) : 25211.dasm - System.Tests.Perf_Array:ArrayRetrieve3D():int:this  
368.40 ( 2.34% of base) : 9909.dasm - System.Text.StringBuilder:AppendFormatHelper(System.IFormatProvider,System.Strin  
366.70 ( 2.34% of base) : 365.dasm - System.Text.ValueStringBuilder:AppendFormatHelper(System.IFormatProvider,System.!
```

```
Top method improvements (PerfScoreUnits):
```

```
-1048874.40 (-0.14% of base) : 6239.dasm - Utf8Json.Resolvers.Internal.DynamicObjectTypeBuilder:BuildSerialize(System.T  
-36872.00 (-30.41% of base) : 19476.dasm - Microsoft.CodeAnalysis.CSharp.Symbols.Metadata.PE.PENamedTypeSymbol:MakeDecl  
-21876.30 (-8.64% of base) : 19674.dasm - Microsoft.CodeAnalysis.CSharp.Symbols.SourceMemberContainerTypeSymbol:Comput  
-3120.85 (-5.99% of base) : 19000.dasm - Microsoft.CodeAnalysis.CSharp.CSharpCompilation:GetDiagnostics(int,bool,Microso
```


Thank you