The interaction among operating systems, compilers, and multicore processors is becoming more tightly bound and sophisticated. The tremendous advances in process technology are providing architects and microarchitects with many interesting opportunities for making use of the huge transistor budget to enhance performance and increase throughput. However, system software is becoming more complex and difficult to scale. Therefore, a pressing need exists for innovative techniques to redefine the interaction among the three major entities in modern computer systems: the operating system, the compiler, and multicore processors.

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