

Query-Directed Adaptive Heap Cloning for Optimizing Compilers

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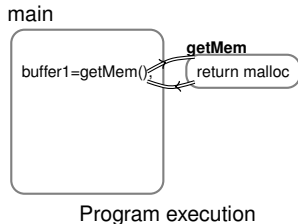


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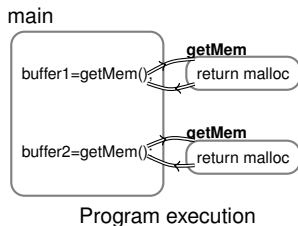
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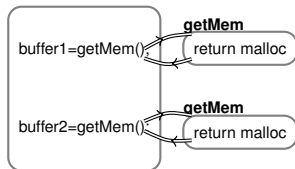
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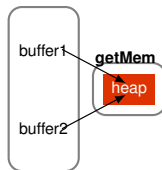
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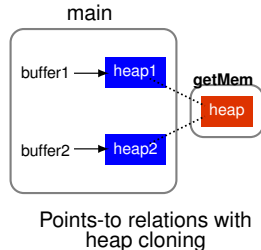
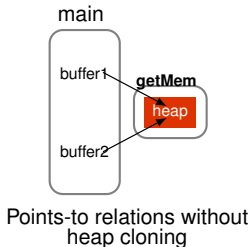
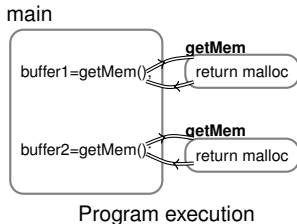
Points-to relations without
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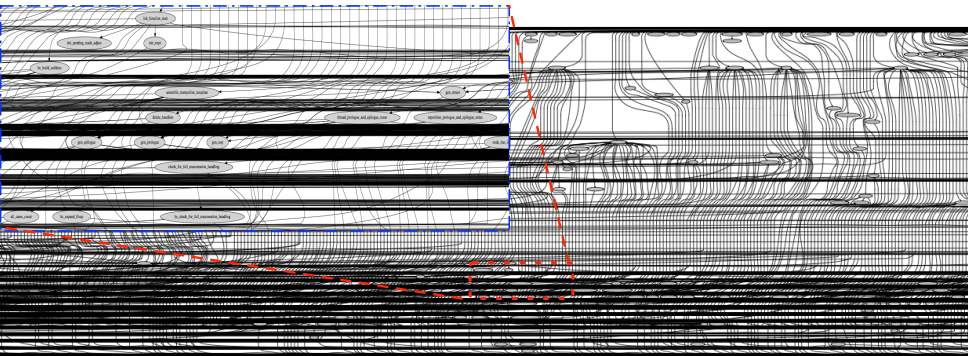
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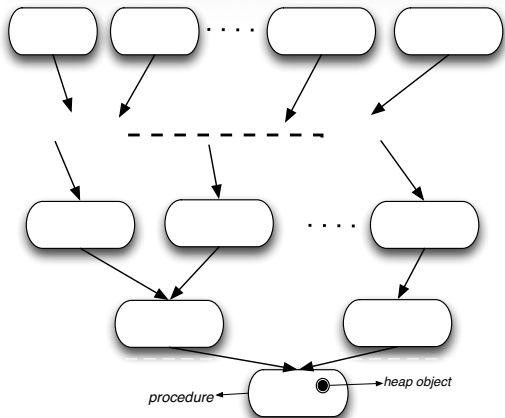
Call graph of 176.gcc (230.4KLOC)



#Procedures: 2256 #Pointers: 134380 #Calling Contexts: $1.2 \cdot 10^5$

Context-sensitive heap cloning can be costly!

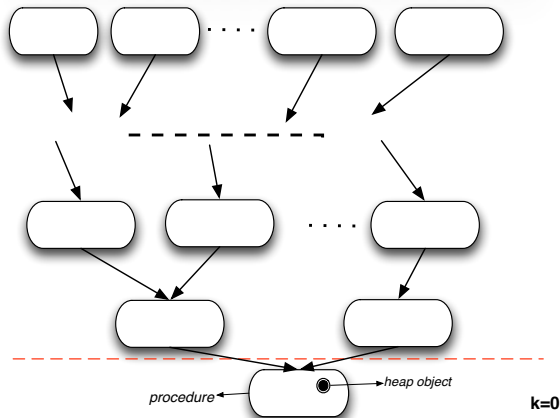
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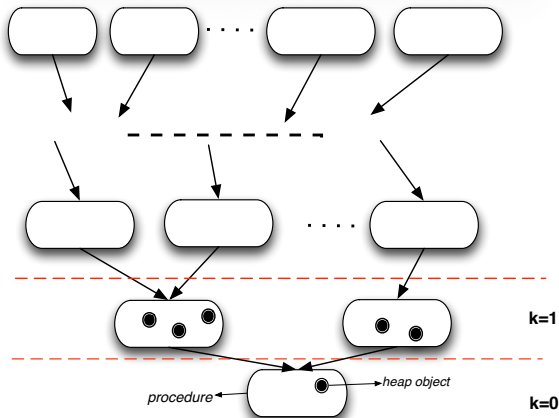
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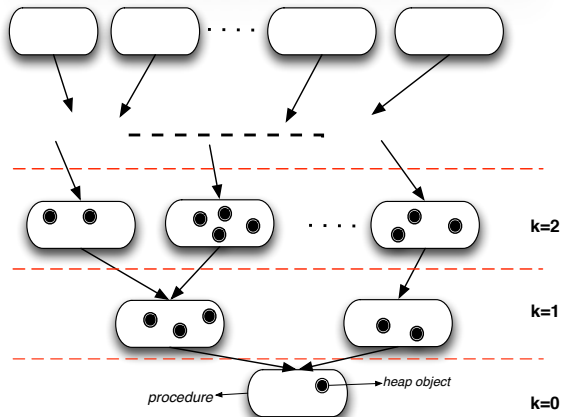
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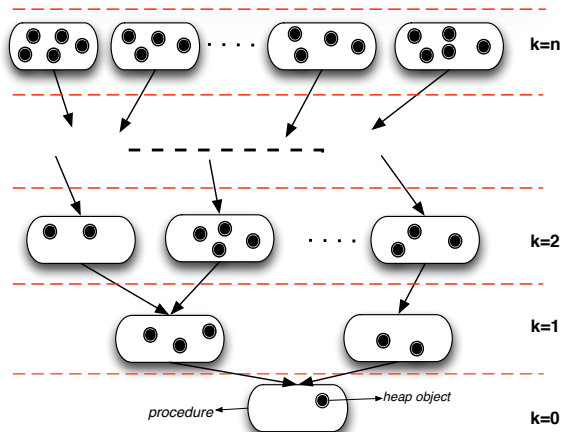
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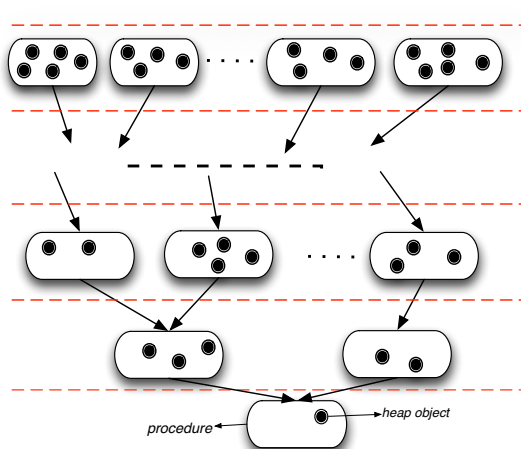
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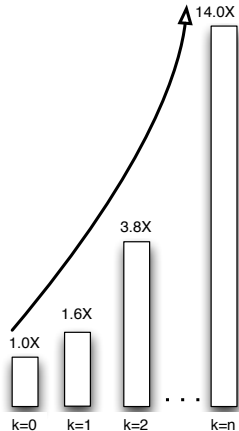


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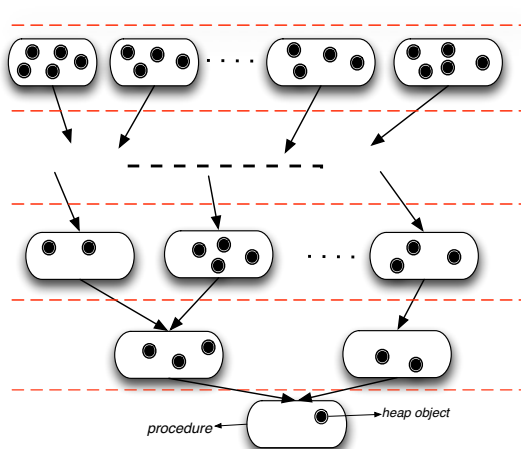


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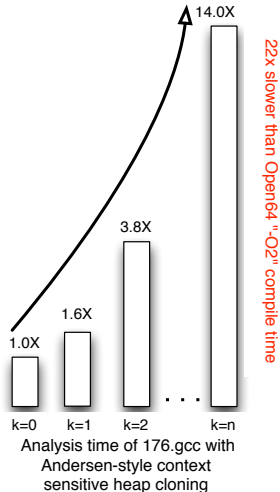


Analysis time of 176.gcc with Andersen-style context sensitive heap cloning

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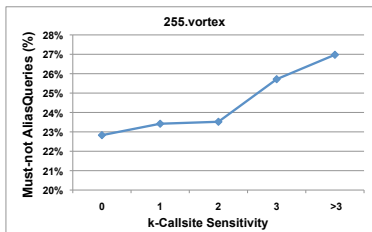
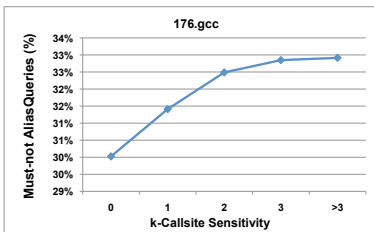
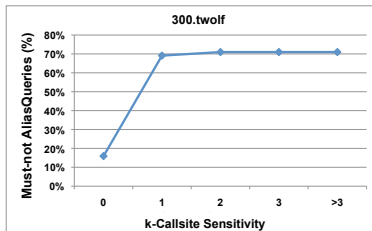
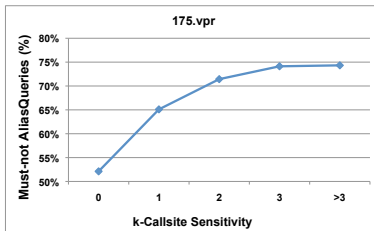
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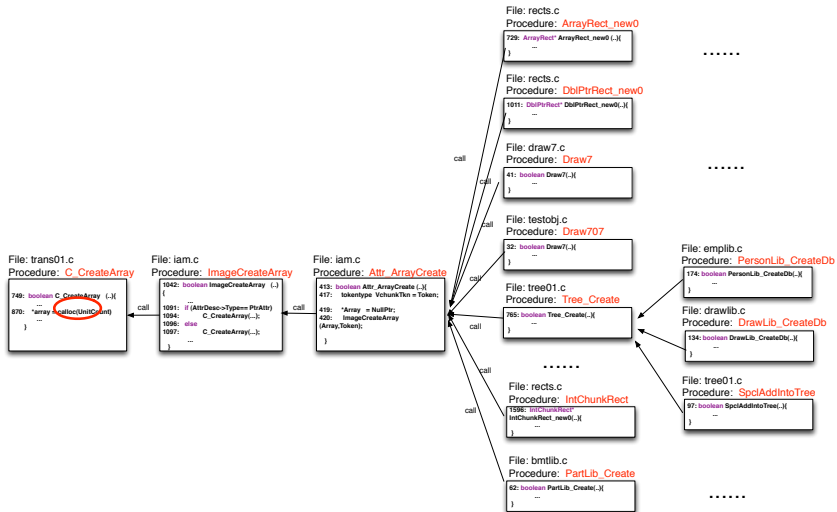
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Analysis precision for answering alias queries



Percentage of must-not aliases disambiguated among the queries issued by WOPT with k-callsite-sensitive heap cloning

A close look at 255.vortex's call graph

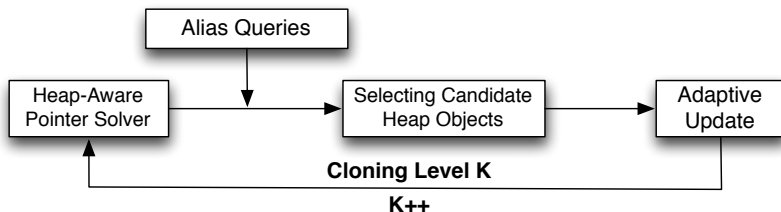


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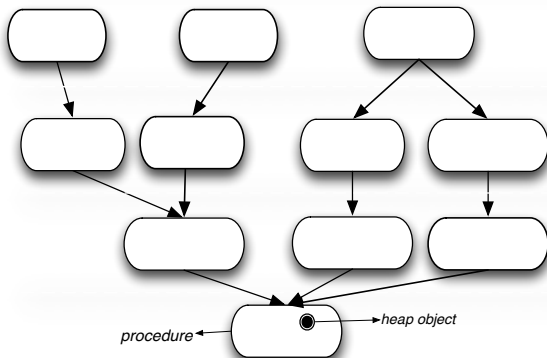
- Can we enable heap cloning only where it is necessary?
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Our QUDA framework

QQuery-Directed Adaptive heap cloning

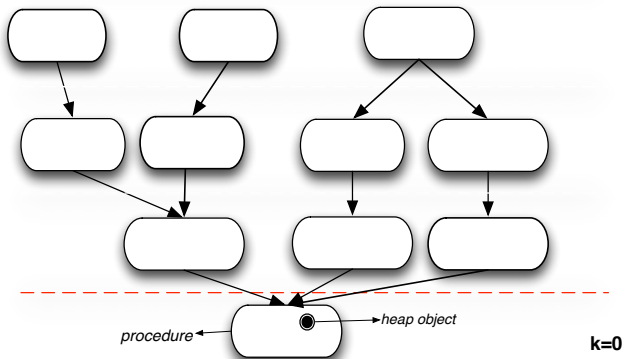


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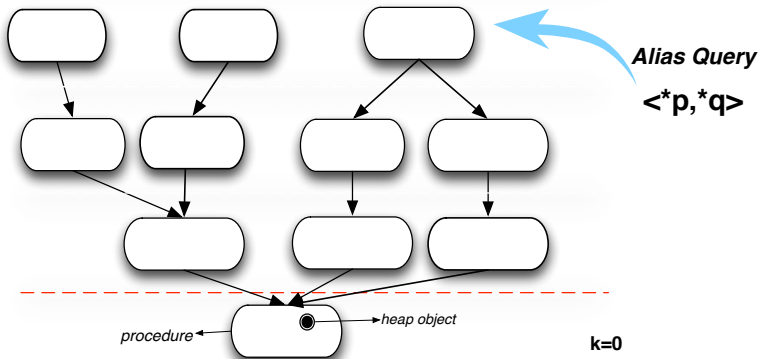
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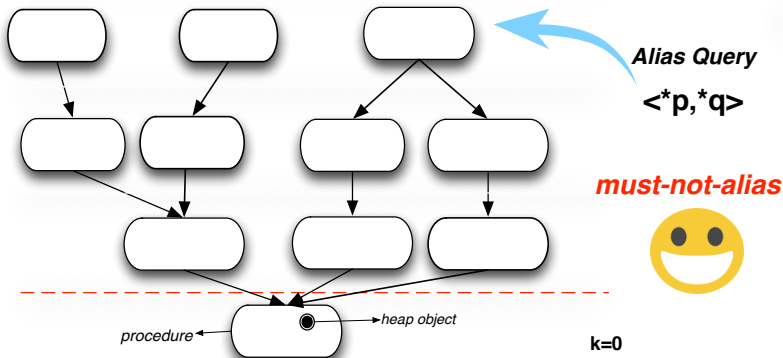
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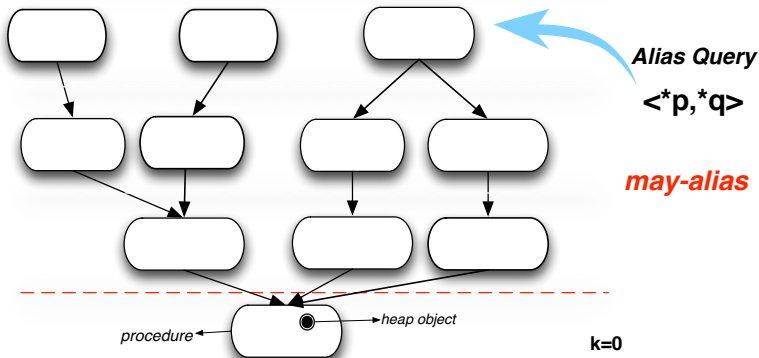
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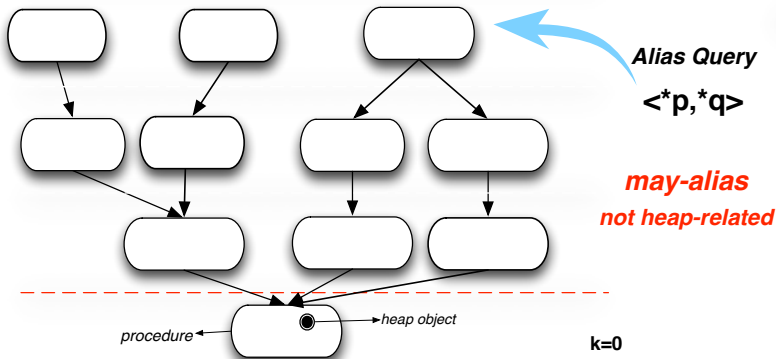
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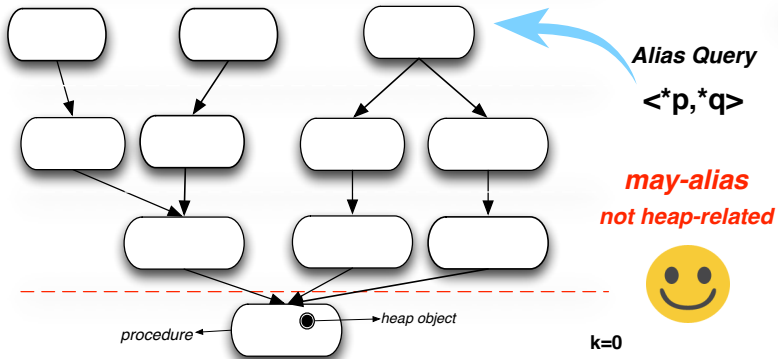
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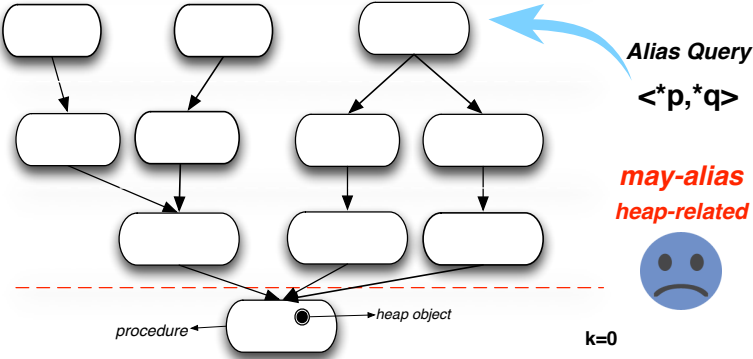
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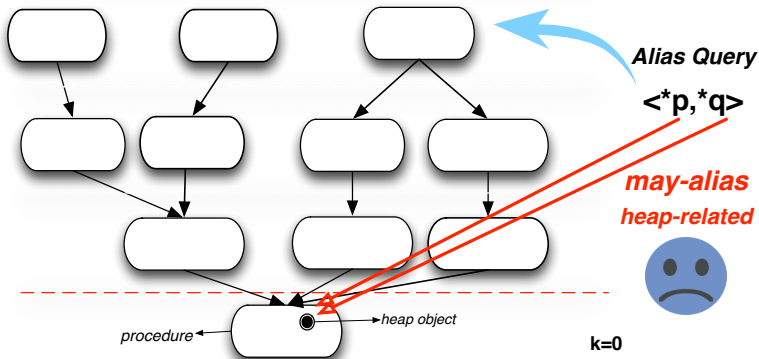
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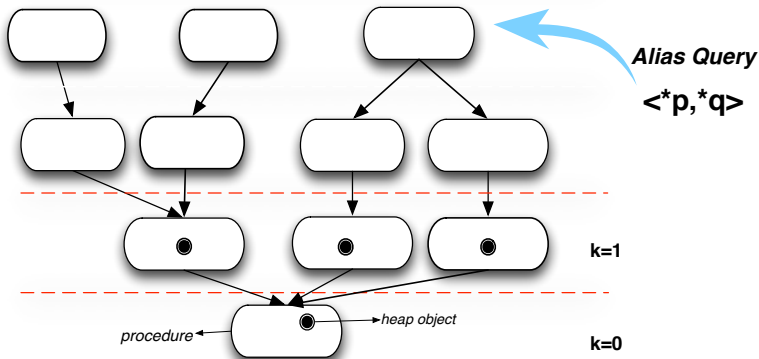
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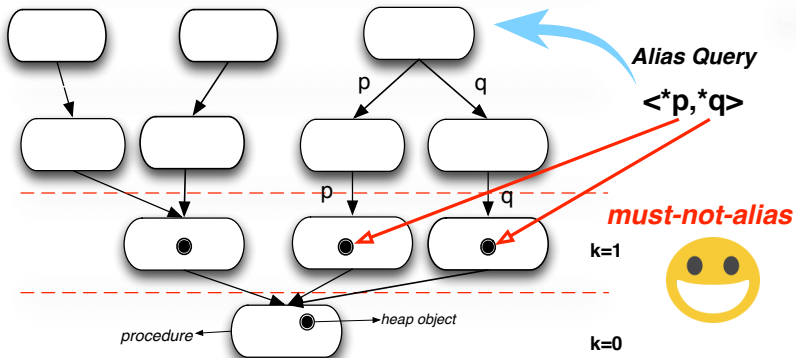
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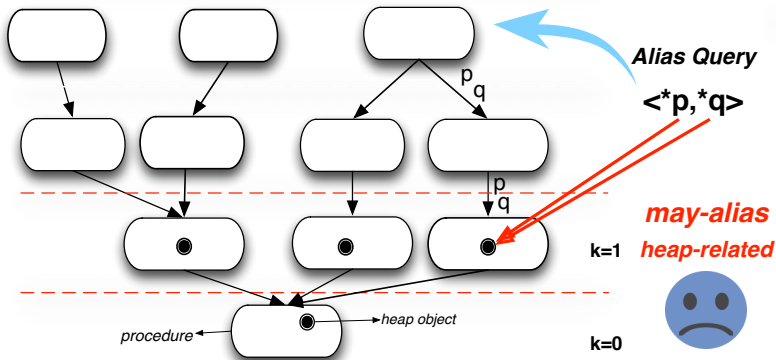
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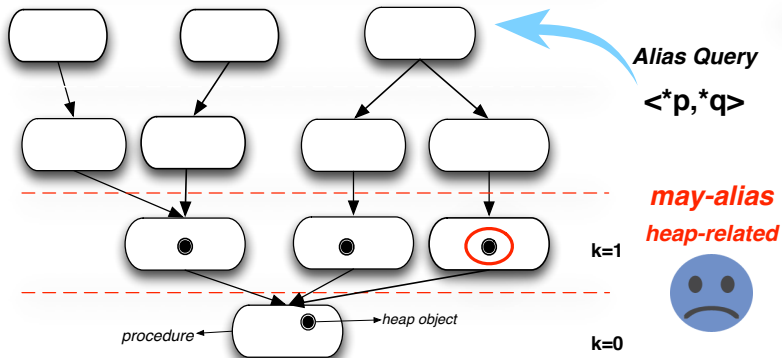
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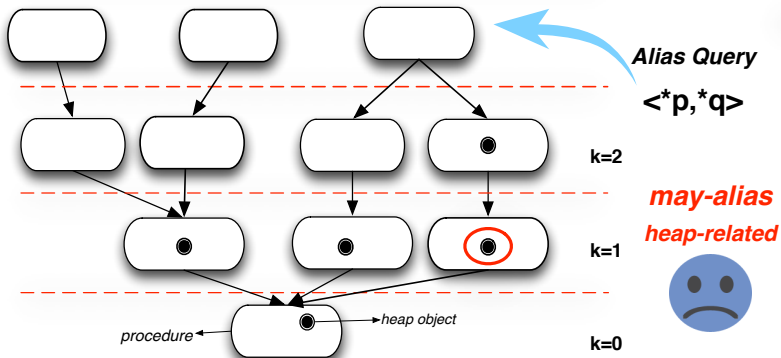
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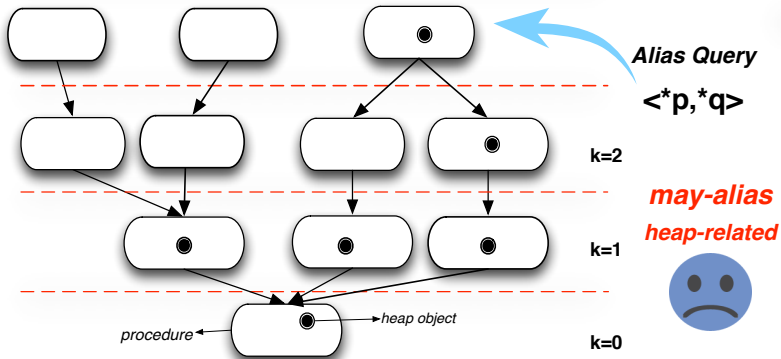
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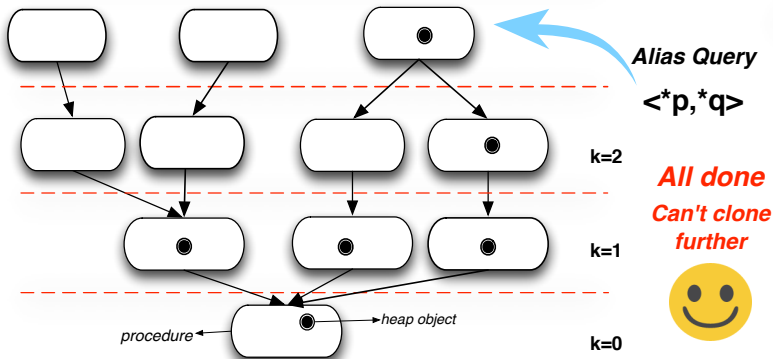
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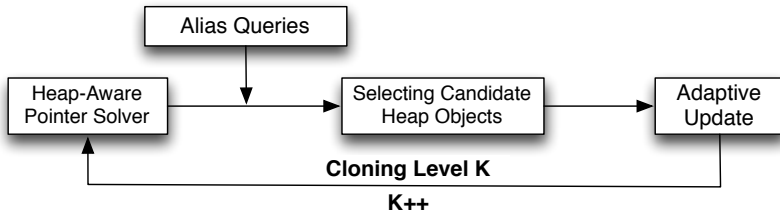
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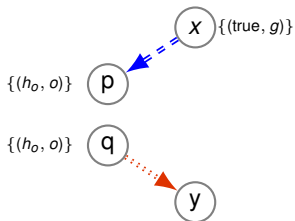
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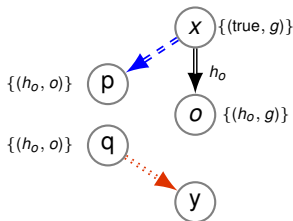
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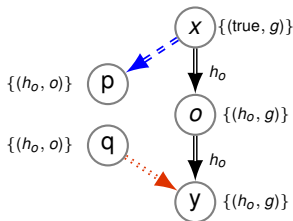
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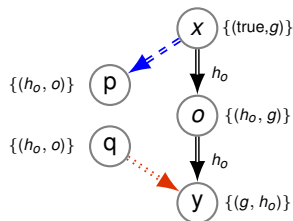
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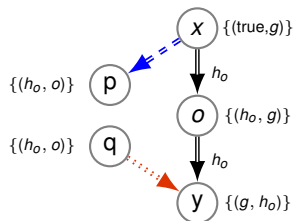
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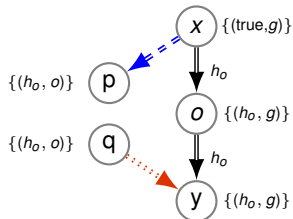


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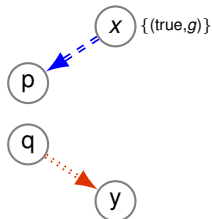


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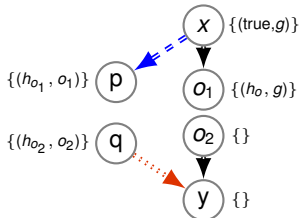
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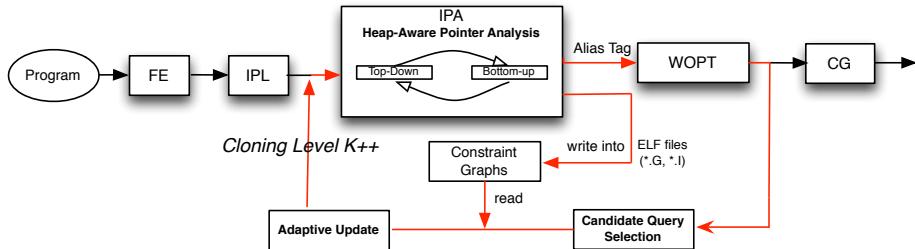
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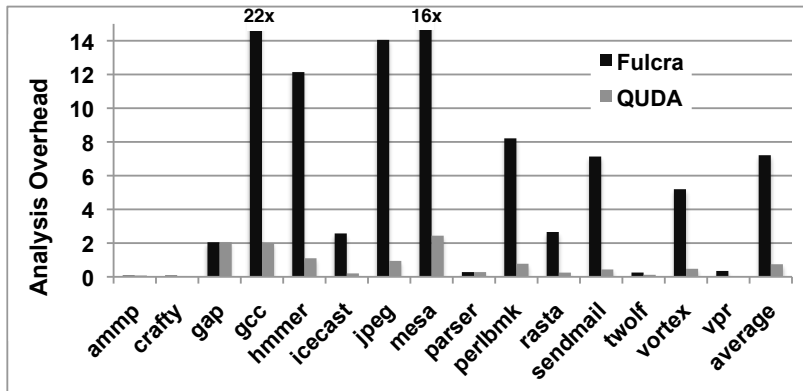
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QUDA framework in Open64

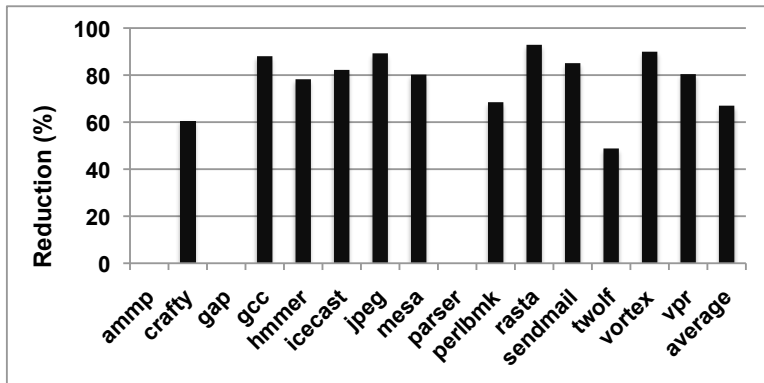


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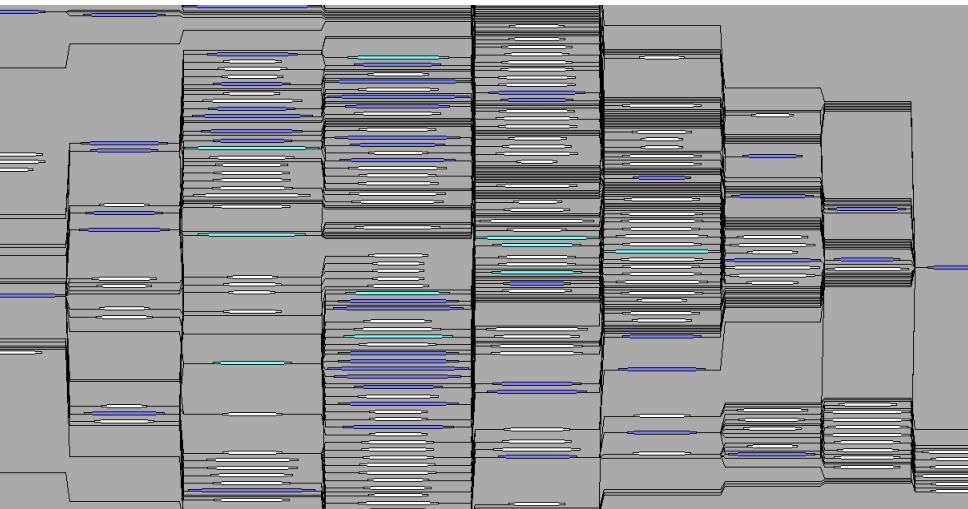
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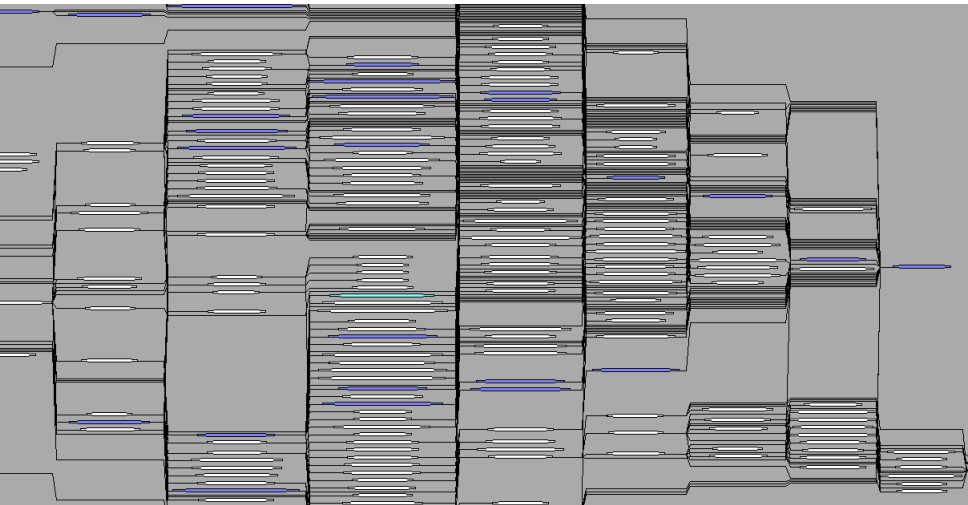


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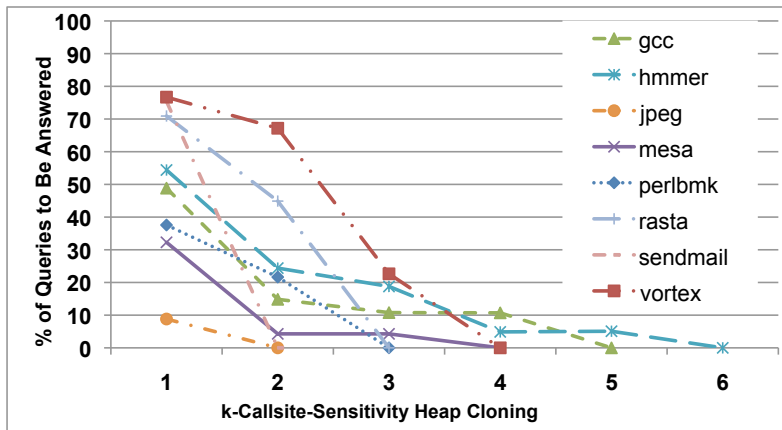
Heap distribution with full heap cloning (175.vpr)



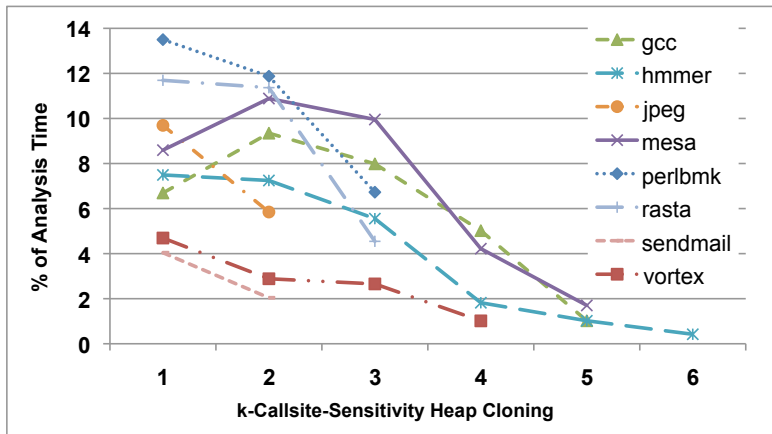
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Alias queries to be answered at each iteration



Analysis time per iteration over the total



Conclusion

Novel heap cloning approach: same precision as full heap cloning but significantly more scalable

- Heap-aware analysis
- Query-directed
- Adaptive

Challenges and opportunities:

- Iterative compilation (prioritising queries in hot functions)
- Bug detection (scaling precise pointer analysis)