



Alternative Algorithm for Traversals of the Control Flow Graph in GaudiHive

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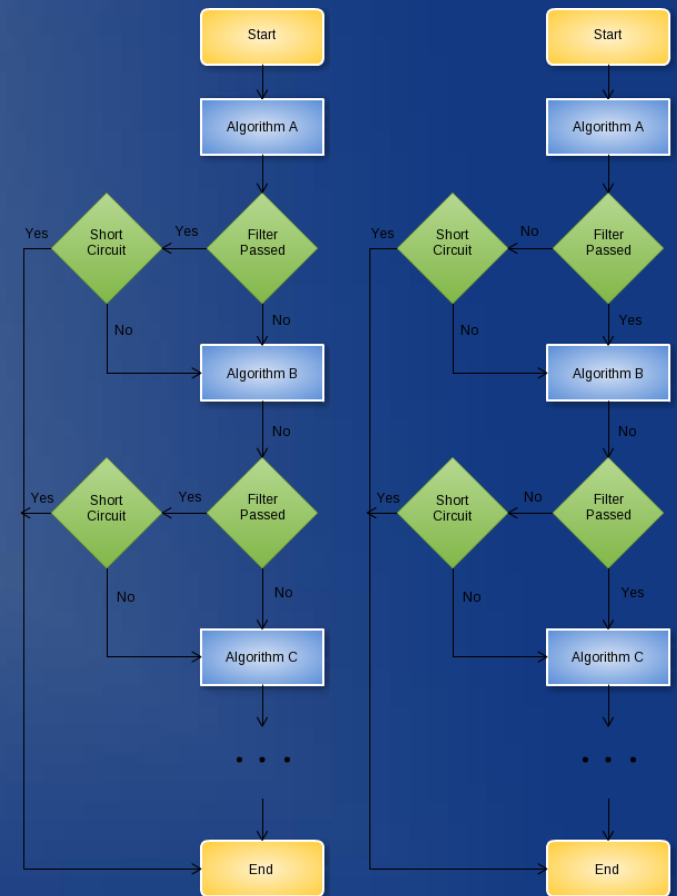
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Prehistory: Control Flow in Gaudi

- Control flow is supported through:
 - Algorithm *sequencers*
 - Algorithm *filter decisions*
- Two types of sequencers: OR, AND



Control Flow in GaudiHive

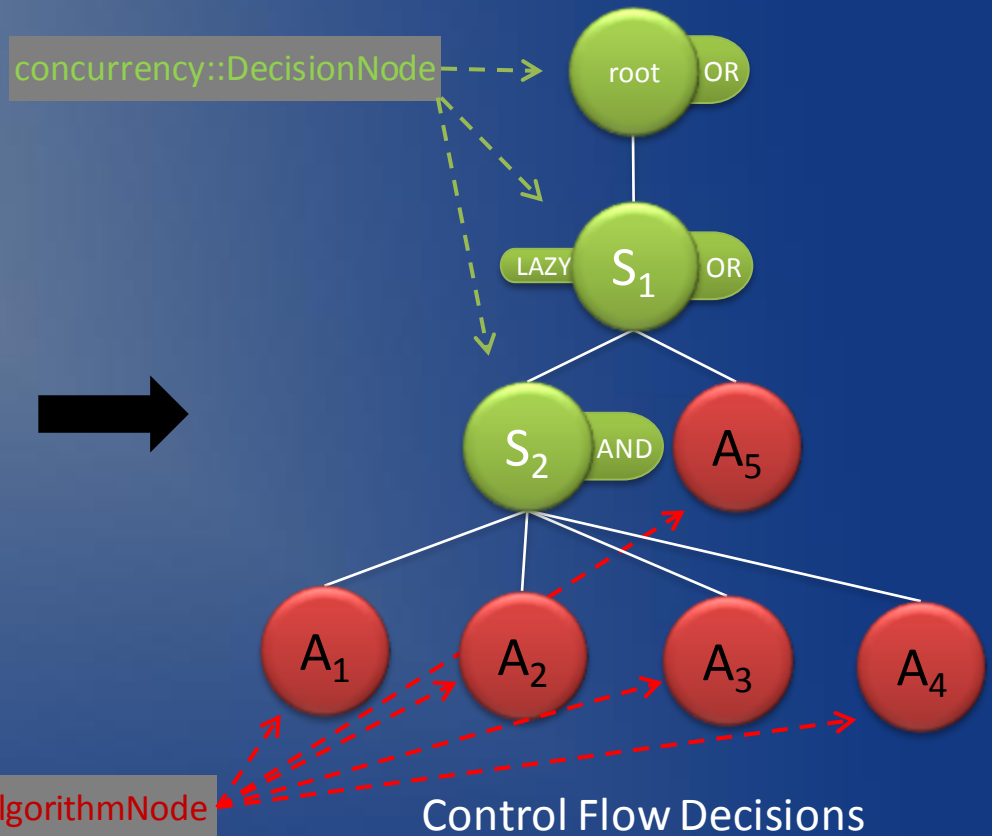
- The good old Gaudi control flow gears are not sufficient in GaudiHive:
 - Order of algorithm execution is not guaranteed
- New control flow machinery was/is needed
- Simple control flow graph is already used in GaudiHive:
 - Constructed during initialization and is static;
 - Shared between events;
 - Used to:
 - Promote algorithms to ControlReady state
 - Update decisions upon every execution of an algorithm

Control Flow: Graph Initialization

Configuration of sequencers:

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a1, a2, a3, a4, a5 = ...
s2 = GaudiSequencer("S2")
s2.ShortCircuit = False
s2.ModeOR = False
s2.Members += [a1, a2, a3, a4]
s1 = GaudiSequencer("S1")
s1.Members += ( [s2, a5] )
    
```



Control Flow Decisions

root	S ₁	S ₂	A ₅	A ₁	A ₂	A ₃	A ₄
-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1

CF Graph: Legacy Traversal Strategy

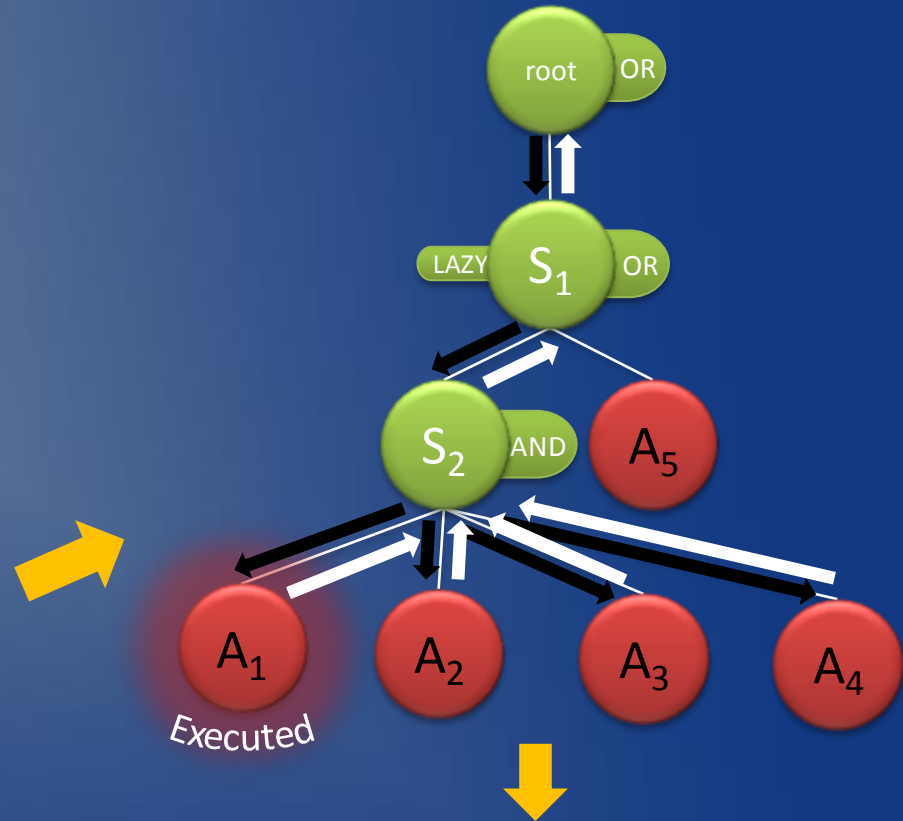
The traversal:

- is triggered when algorithm's execution is completed;
- always starts at the root node;
- and always returns to the root;

E.g., first traversal within an event:

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root → S1 → S2 → A1 → A2 → A3 → A4
                                     ↓
                                     root ← S1 ← S2
    
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Control Flow Decisions

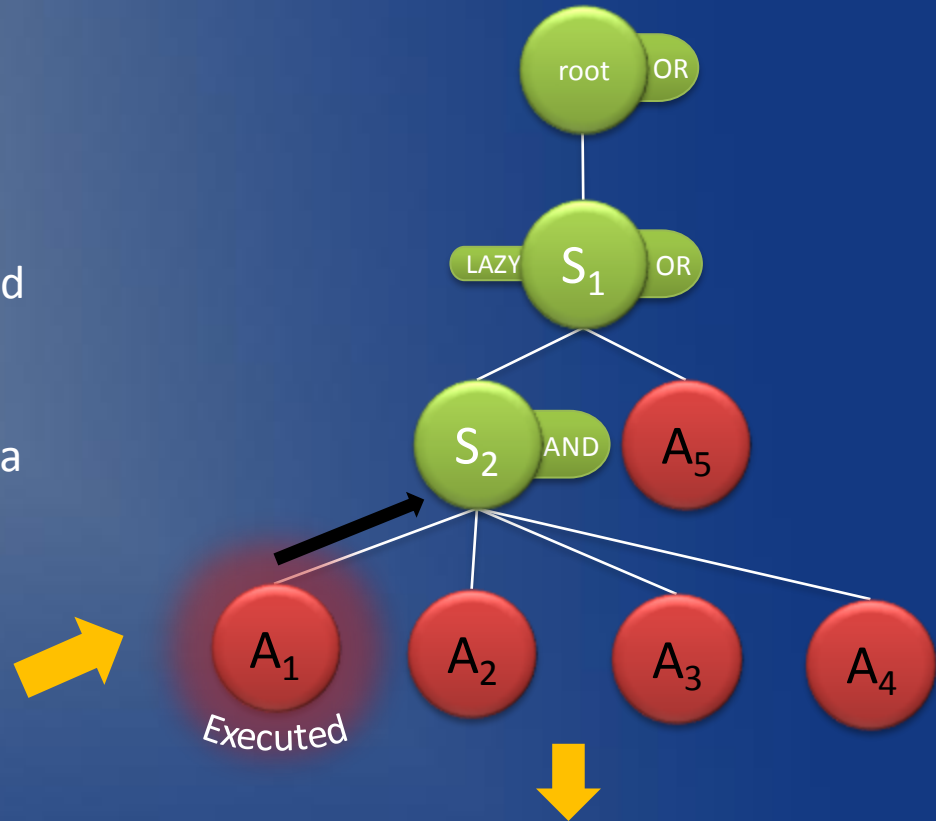
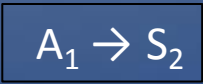
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-1	-1	-1	-1	1	-1	-1	-1

CF Graph: Alternative Traversal Strategy

The traversal:

- is triggered when algorithm's execution is completed;
- always starts at the node of executed algorithm;
- is continued from a particular node further to the top *iaoi* the node got a decision!

E.g., **first** traversal within an event:



Control Flow Decisions

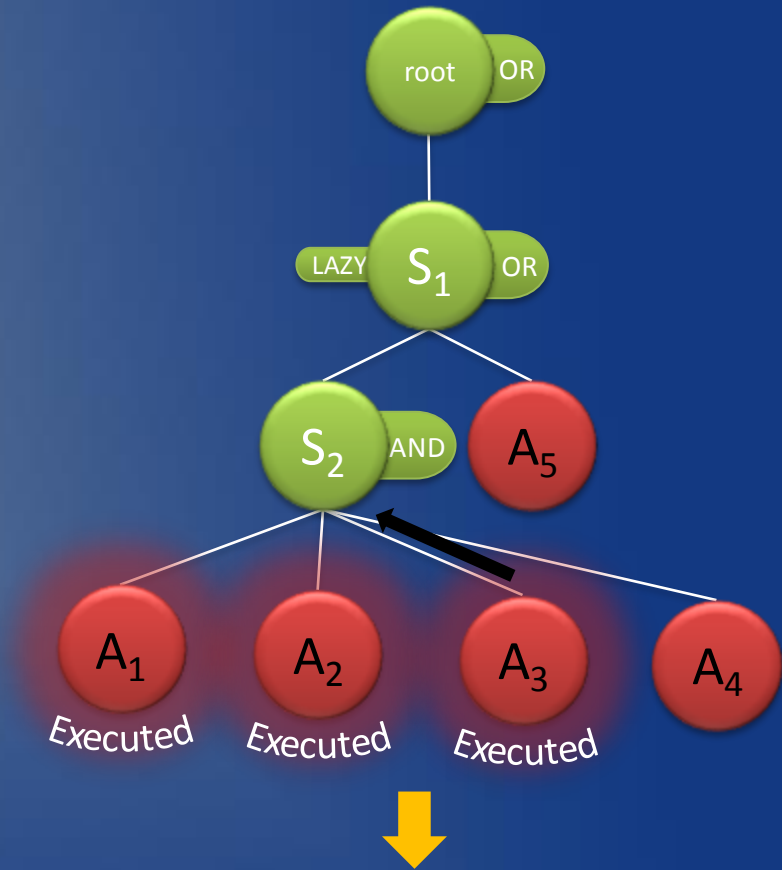
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CF Graph: Alternative Traversal Strategy (2)

The traversal:

- is triggered when algorithm's execution is completed;
- always starts at the node of executed algorithm;
- is continued from a particular node further to the top *iaoi* the node got a decision!

Third traversal within an event:



Control Flow Decisions

root	S ₁	S ₂	A ₅	A ₁	A ₂	A ₃	A ₄
-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1	1	-1

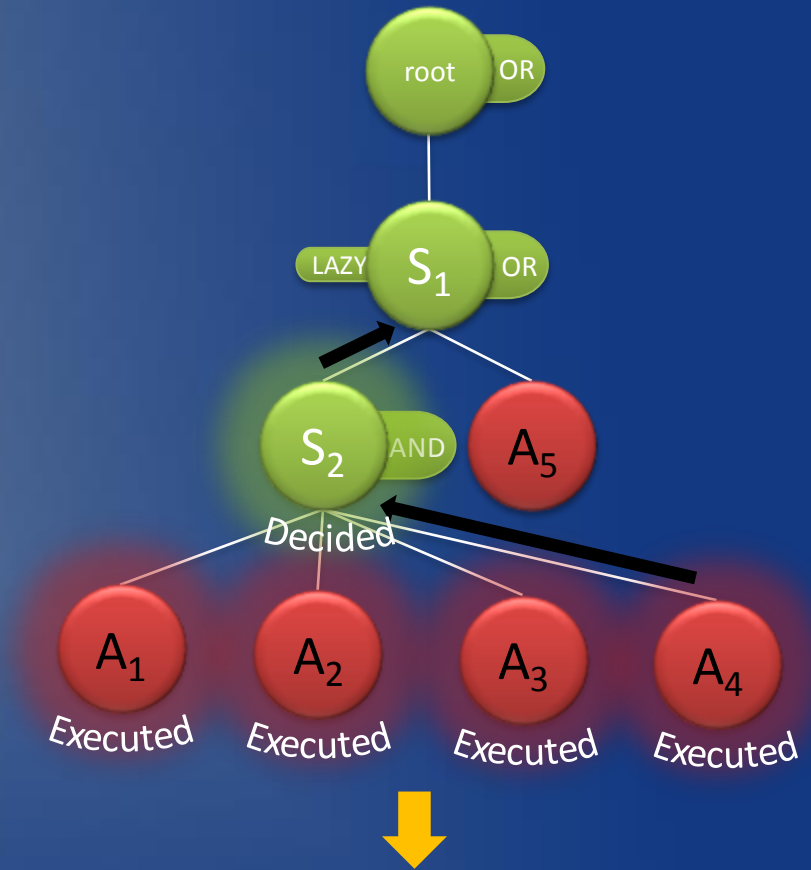
CF Graph: Alternative Traversal Strategy (3)

The traversal:

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Forth traversal within an event:

$A_4 \rightarrow S_2 \rightarrow S_1$



Control Flow Decisions

root	S ₁	S ₂	A ₅	A ₁	A ₂	A ₃	A ₄
-1	-1	1	-1	1	1	1	1

Worst-case time complexities of the algorithms

Notations:

n_a - total number of algorithm nodes in the CF graph;

n_s - total number of sequencer nodes in the CF graph;

$N := n_a + n_s$ - size of the CF graph;

T – worst-case time complexity of an algorithm.

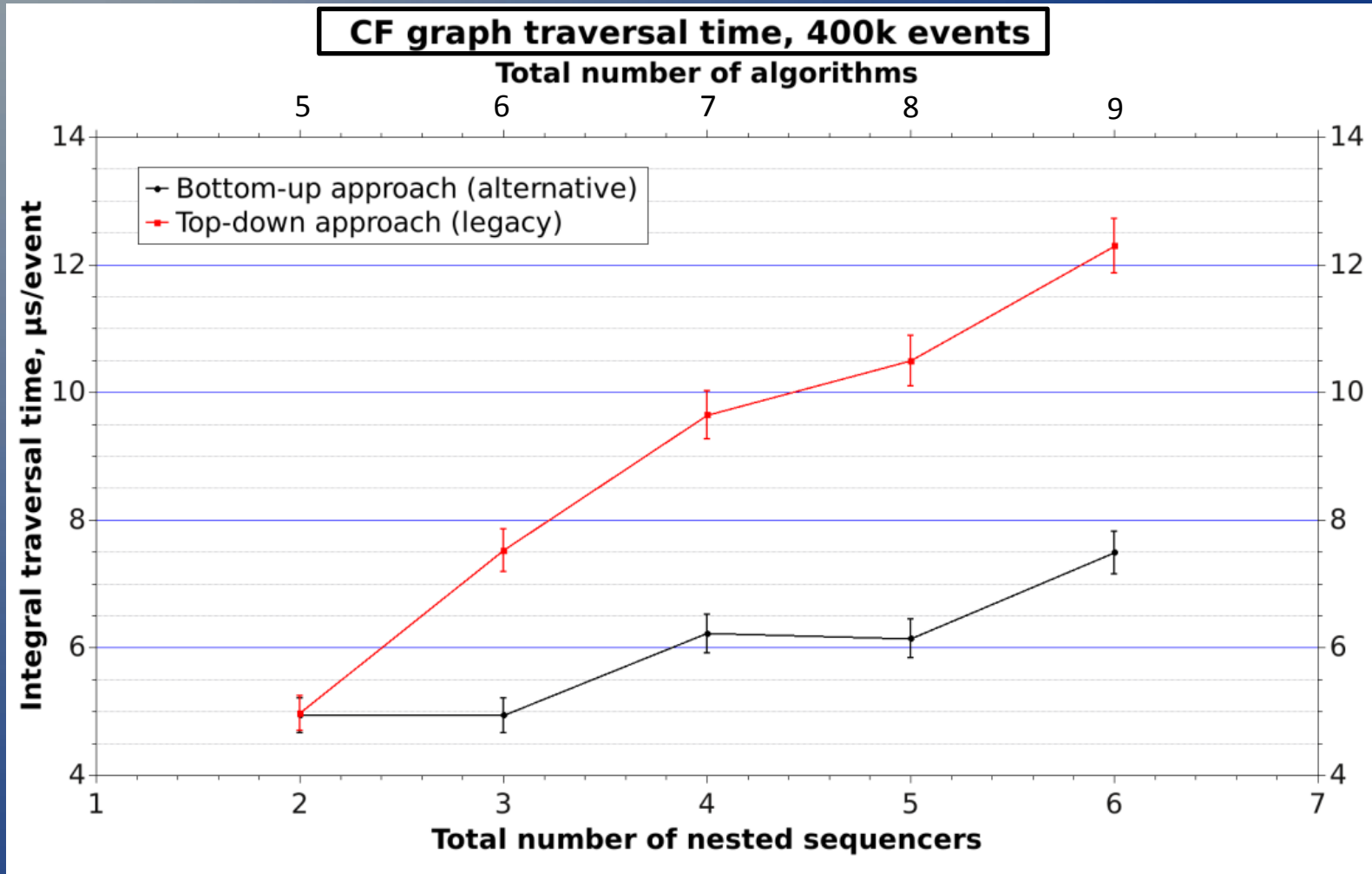
Use cases	Time complexity	
	Top-down approach	Bottom-up approach
$T(n_s, n_a) \in$	$O(n_a(n_a + n_s))$	$O(n_a + n_s)$
$T(n_s, n_a) \mid_{n_s=const} \in$	$O(n_a^2)$	$O(n_a)$
$T(n_s, n_a) \mid_{n_a=const} \in$	$O(n_s)$	$O(n_s)$

Alternative CF graph traversal algorithm

- The alternative algorithm is implemented:
 - was completed in August;
 - committed to GaudiHive git;
 - exists side by side with the old algorithm;
 - can be activated by FSS configurable:

ForwardSchedulerSvc(..., **ControlFlowManagerNext=True**)

Performance of the algorithms



Summary

- The new algorithm for CF graph traversals has been suggested
- The algorithm has been implemented
- Basic performance measurements have demonstrated
 - better performance is noticeable (e.g., 80% improvement already for 6 sequencers and 9 algorithms);
 - more scalable to graph size.

Further steps

- Making the new algorithm default (if we decide so)
 - Clean up of the current CF machinery code base;
- Movement towards the use of the Boost Graph Library
 - standardized generic interface for traversing graphs
- Proposal on an advanced machinery for CF management

BACKUP



Traversal performance: graph sample

