

# Plan Reordering and Parallel Execution – A Parameterized Complexity View

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# Abstract

We reconsider the optimization problems for partial-order and parallel plans previously studied by Bäckström (JAIR, 1998), but use parameterized complexity to get a more fine-grained picture. Problems we study include the following:

- ▶ Can we **deorder/reorder** the actions of a plan optimally?
- ▶ What is the optimal **parallel execution length** of a plan?

*Plan reordering*: to change the order of actions while keeping the plan valid.

- ▶ We also use minimum parallel execution length of a partial-order plan as a criterion for plan optimization; i.e. can we reorder a plan to decrease its parallel execution length?