# Project 6: TinyC Compiler in Java

The deadline for this project is **Monday**, **29**<sup>th</sup> of **July**, end of day, anywhere on earth (AoE)<sup>1</sup>. You can find more information about the project submission in appendix A.

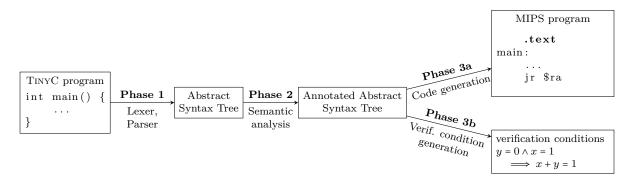
### 1 Overview

Your assignment for this project is to complete the code skeleton of a compiler. This compiler will be written in Java and will translate the language TinyC to MIPS-assembly and emit verification conditions for the correctness of the program.

The project consists of three consecutive assignments, organized into phases:

- (1) constructing an abstract syntax tree (AST),
- (2) semantically checking the AST,
- (3a) generating machine code for MIPS or alternatively
- (3b) creating formulas for verification conditions.

You may choose whether you want to implement the code generation or the verification condition generation, describing the verification conditions for TINYC programs. To score full marks on this project, it is sufficient to implement only one of the two assignments related to phases (3a) and (3b). If you implement both, you will receive the excess points as bonus points.



Section 2 gives a brief overview of the TinyC programming language. Section 3 gives an overview of the Java packages of your project repository, elaborating important methods and classes for your implementation. The assignments of this project are documented in sections 4 to 7, corresponding to the phases (1), (2), (3a) and (3b), respectively. The optional bonus tasks of this project are described in section 8. The appendices contain general and technical information, conceptual tips on the implementation of the project, a guide on how to install the Z3 SMT solver library required for testing the verification part, a documentation of the commandline usage of the compiler, as well as an overview of the syntax and operators of TinyC.

<sup>1</sup>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anywhere\_on\_Earth

## 2 TinyC

TINYC is a reduced version of the C programming language. Essentially, it maintains the looks and semantics of C, omitting some of the more involved concepts. The most notable restrictions and deviations regarding C are:

- There are only three built-in base types: char, int, and void. On top of that, pointers and function types are members of the type system, with the exception of pointers to functions.
- There are no structs and unions.
- Not all unary/binary operators are available.
- A function may have at most four arguments.

## Example

TinyC programs comprise multiple global declarations. These include global function declarations, function definitions, and global variables. The entry point, i.e. the point where the program execution starts, is the main function, which always returns a value of type int. Figure 1 shows a valid TINYC program.

```
int globalVariable;
int foo();
int main() {
    globalVariable = 1;
    return foo();
}
int foo() {
    return globalVariable + 1;
}
```

Figure 1: TINYC Example Program

#### Grammar

The syntax of TinyC is formally defined in fig. 7 of appendix E. The grammar uses the following syntax:

Rule Name	Example	Explanation	
Terminal	'for'	the symbol for must appear literally in the input	
Non-terminal	Bla	Bla is the name of another rule	
$\operatorname{Group}$	(a b)	parentheses are used for grouping, e.g. for a following *	
Option	x?	x is optional (0 or 1 times)	
Recurrence	x*	x may appear an arbitrary number of times (including 0	
		times) in succession	
Sequence	a b	a followed by b	
Alternative	a   b	either a or b	

The different operators are listed in *descending* order of their operator precedence. For example:  $a \mid b* c$  stands for either exactly one a (and no c) or arbitrarily many b followed by one c.

# 3 Project Files Overview

The compiler resides in the package tinycc and is split into a number of sub-packages:

Package Name	Description
tinycc.driver	Contains the <i>driver</i> that steers the translation process. It parses the
	command line and passes the corresponding arguments to the rest of the
	compiler. You do not have to make changes here.
tinycc.parser	This package contains the lexer and parser for TINYC. These are provided
	by us as well.
tinycc.diagnostic	Contains functionality for handling errors (error messages and warnings),
	which is required for the static semantic analysis (phase 2, see section 5).
tinycc.mipsasmgen	Contains functionality to generate and output MIPS-assembly (phase 3a,
	see section 6).
tinycc.logic	Contains functionality to create logical formulas (phase 3b, see section 7).
tinycc.implementation	Your implementation must go into this package (and sub-packages).

Add your implementation to the package tinycc.implementation. The Compiler class in this package is the main class for your implementation. It is used to execute all phases of the compiler one after the other. Here a short overview of its methods:

Method Name	Description	
getAstFactory	Returns an instance of the ASTFactory interface that is used internally	
	by the Compiler class to build the abstract syntax tree (phase 1, see	
	section 4). The returned object should be the same every time this	
	method is called.	
parseTranslationUnit		
	syntax tree according to the interface given by getASTFactory. This	
	method is already implemented.	
checkSemantics	Performs the semantic analysis including name and type checking. Anno-	
	tates the syntax tree with type information (phase 2, see section 5).	
generateCode	Generates code for the current program (phase 3a, see section 6).	
genVerificationConditions	Creates a propositional logic formula which can be used to check the	
	correctness of the current program (phase 3b, see section 7).	

Furthermore, there are three additional packages in the package tinycc.implementation that each contain a similarly named base class for your class hierarchy:

Class Name	Description
Туре	Your type class, which represents a type in the type system of TINYC.
Expression	Your expression class, which represents arbitrary expressions in TinyC.
Statement	Your statement class, which represents arbitrary statements in TinyC.

These classes may be extended at will. Merely the names of the classes must not be changed. Use these classes as basis for your implementation.

## 4 Abstract Syntax Tree and Output (7 Points)

(Phase 1)

In the first part of the project you will implement an abstract syntax tree representation. In addition, you must implement the toString methods of the associated classes such that they can be tested.

We provide a lexer and a parser. Your task is to build an abstract syntax tree from the given tokens. To do so, implement the interface ASTFactory (from the package tinycc.parser) as well as the method getASTFactory in Compiler.java.

#### **AST Construction**

The enumeration TokenKind describes the various kinds of tokens. Tokens are represented by the class Token. Tokens contain information about their position in the source code (Location), their kind (TokenKind and the getter getKind()) and the text (getText()), which corresponds to the original text of the token in the source code. The Parser (from tinycc.parser) is initialized with the lexer and an instance of the factory class for the creation of AST nodes (ASTFactory). During syntactic analysis of the input, it calls the methods of the ASTFactory interface to create the statements, expressions, types and declarations as they are being parsed.

Assume the statement return y + 3; were located in line 13 of file test.c, starting at column 19. The parser would then emit the following token, visualized as TokenKind, Locatable and token text (if any):

```
RETURN (Location("test.c", 13, 19))

IDENTIFIER (Location("test.c", 13, 26), "y")

PLUS (Location("test.c", 13, 28))

NUMBER (Location("test.c", 13, 30), "3")
```

The nodes created by ASTFactory have to be corresponding instances of the classes Type, Expression or Statement. Conceptually, the following methods of ASTFactory are called to compile the return Statement:

```
Expression y = factory.createPrimaryExpression(IDENTIFIER(..., "y"));
Expression three = factory.createPrimaryExpression(NUMBER(..., "3"));
Expression plus = factory.createBinaryExpression(PLUS(...), y, three);
Statement ret = factory.createReturnStatement(RETURN(...), plus);
```

The methods createExternalDeclaration and createFunctionDefinition return void instead of expressions or statements. They are called by the ASTFactory to register top-level definitions and should be used to store a collection of ExternalDeclarations in your ASTFactory implementation.

Optional syntactic constructs Some methods correspond to constructs that are optional or belong to bonus exercises. They feature a default implementation in the ASTFactory interface that must be implemented once you move on to the later parts of the project. For example, the method createAssertStatement is only needed for the verification phase (section 7), and may be left unimplemented prior.

## Compiler Output

All objects that are returned by your AST factory implementation have to override the toString method. The toString method should always return the abstract syntax of the corresponding syntactic construct returned by a factory method. It will be used to test your implementation.

The abstract syntax of TinyC is similar to the abstract C0 syntax. For example, the expression &x + 23 \* z, when constructed by the appropriate factory methods, should be printed as:

```
Binary_+[Unary_&[Var_x], Binary_*[Const_23, Var_z]]
```

and the statement

```
while (i > 0) {
    i = (i - 1);
}
```

is printed as

```
While[Binary_>[Var_i, Const_0],
    Block[
        Binary_=[Var_i, Binary_-[Var_i, Const_1]]
]
```

In detail, the abstract syntax used for the string representation is specified as follows:

- The three built-in base types are output as Type\_followed by their name, i.e, Type\_char, Type\_int and Type\_void respectively.
- For pointer types, the abstract syntax is Pointer[type], e.g., Pointer[Type\_void].
- For function types, first the return type is written, followed by the comma separated parameter types. For example void(int, int) is printed as:

```
FunctionType[Type_void, Type_int, Type_int]
```

• Variables are printed as Var name. For example, the variable abc def is printed as:

```
Var_abc_def
```

• Integer constants, character constants and string literals are printed as Const\_c. Character constants and string literals are printed including their respective quotes.

```
Const_42
Const_'c'
Const_"abc"
```

• Unary expressions are printed as Unary\_op[operand]. For example, &x is printed as:

```
Unary_&[Var_x]
```

• Binary operations are printed as Binary\_op[left, right]. Note that in TinyC, assignments are treated as binary expression statements, so they follow this syntax as well.

```
Binary_+[Const_2, Var_x]
Binary_=[Var_y, Const_0]
```

• Function calls are printed as Call[name, args...].

```
Call[Var_foo]
Call[Var_bar, Const_42, Var_x]
```

• Declarations are printed as Declaration\_name[type, init]. If the initialization expression init is absent, the syntax is Declaration\_name[type].

```
Declaration_x[Type_char]
Declaration_y[Type_int, Const_0]
```

- $\bullet\,$  Expression statements have exactly the same abstract syntax as their expression.
- Blocks are printed using a comma-separated list of their containing statements or declarations. For empty blocks not containing any statements or declarations, this list is empty. Examples:

```
Block[Declaration_x[Type_int], Binary_=[Var_x, Const_2]]
Block[Block[]]
```

- The return statement is printed as Return[expr], if the return expression exists. Otherwise, the abstract syntax is Return[].
- The if statement is printed as If[cond, cons, alt], if the alternative statement exists. Otherwise, the abstract syntax is If[cond, cons].
- The while statement is printed as While[cond, body].

All whitespace is ignored while checking the textual representation, so it does not matter whether you insert spaces or even newlines into the returned string. You are encouraged to do so to improve the visual clarity.



The following sections present the type system and the scoping of variables in TinyC that you check in your semantic analysis. Your semantic analysis is performed upon calling checkSemantics in Compiler.java.

#### 5.1 Typing

## **Types**

TINYC supports a subset of C's types. These are arranged in a type hierarchy. There are object types and function types. The types char and int are integer types. All integers in TinyC are *signed*. Combined with the pointer types they form the scalar types. All scalar types and void are object types. There are no function pointers. The type void and function types are incomplete types. Notably, void\* is a pointer type and hence complete. Figure 2 visualizes the type hierarchy.

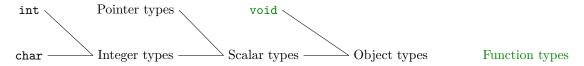


Figure 2: Type hierarchy in TINYC

Character and numeral constants are always of type int. The type of a string literal is char\*.<sup>2</sup> The type of parenthesized expressions is the type of the inner expression. The type of non-primary expressions is further refined in the following.

## Value categories

As in C, TinyC has the concept of L-values, which classify expressions that reference an object. An expression in TinyC is an L-value, if and only if the expression is an identifier or if the expression is an indirection (\*e) and the operand is a pointer to a complete type.

## Additional remarks

For the type checking, the following properties have to be considered:

- Automatic conversion: Operands of type char are, except when used as operand for & and sizeof, automatically converted to int before performing the operation.
- Conditions: The type of a condition (if, while, ...) has to be scalar.
- Null pointer: A null pointer constant is an integer constant with the value 0.
- Assignments: For assignments, one of the following has to be true:
  - The types of the operands are identical.
  - Both operands have integer types.
  - Both operands have pointer types and at least one of the two has type void\*.
  - The left operand has a pointer type and the right operand is a null pointer constant.

In all cases, the left operand has to be an L-value. The type of the assignment is the type of the left operand.

- Function calls: The passing of parameters to function calls has the same rules as assignments. The parameter of the function is considered the "left side" and the passed value the "right side".
- Return values: The rules for assignments also apply to returns. Hereby, the return type of the function is the "left side", and the returned expression is the "right side". An expression has to be present if and only if the return type is not void. It is not necessary to check whether any path to the exit of a non-void-function lacks a return statement. In that case, the return value is undefined.
- Declarations: Variables must not be defined with type void.
- Function parameter: Function parameters must not be of type void.

Tables 1 and 2 show all operators you have to implement and specify their signatures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>In C, the type of string literals is char[N] (where N is the number of characters in the string, including the NULL-character), but for the sake of simplicity, we use the type char\* and define sizeof for string literals explicitly.

### 5.2 Scopes

Every block opens a new scope. The outermost scope is called *global scope* from now on and contains *global variables*, as well as *function declarations* and *definitions*. All inner scopes are *local scopes*.

Functions may be declared arbitrarily often inside the global scope, but may be defined only once. Global variables may be declared arbitrarily often. For all following declarations, the type of the variable or the signature of a function respectively, must not change. Note that parameter names are not part of a function's signature. Deviating from C, the semantics of int f(); is that f is a function that does not accept any arguments.

In contrast, variables may be declared only once in a local scope. Function definitions open a new local scope. The function's parameters belong to this local scope. Blocks additionally open new local scopes. Following the syntactic rules, declaring or defining functions in a local scope is not possible. Furthermore, function parameters and variable declarations in a local scope may hide variables from an outer scope.

Functions and variables may be used, only after their declaration or definition. If any of the rules listed above is not followed, an error shall be emitted. Figure 3 shows an example involving correct and incorrect usage of scopes.

Figure 3: Example of scopes in a TinyC program.

#### 5.3 Diagnostic

If a problem in a program is encountered (e.g. an unknown variable), a message to the user is emitted. This is done via the Diagnostic class that the Compiler class receives as constructor parameter. Every message corresponds to one error that is emitted by your analysis. The text of the message itself is not tested by us. However, every message expects the precise position in the source code. If an error occurs during the static semantic checking, an error (using Diagnostic.printError) and the exact location of the error in the source code is to be printed. It is important that you print the first error encountered first. If you wish, you may print further errors, too. After outputting the first error, your program may behave in any manner, as it is immediately aborted by the tests anyway. In the following, we provide a few examples diagnostics.

Figure 4a shows an undefined variable. As v is undefined, an error pointing to the exact location of v should be emitted (in this case test.c:2:17). If one operand of an operation is invalid, the position of the operator shall be output. This is indicated in fig. 4b, where, since it is invalid to multiply a pointer with 42, an error has to be emitted referencing the location of the multiplication operator (in this case test.c:2:16). In case of a statement, the position of the statement is relevant: In fig. 4c, return does not expect an Expression, as the return type of the function is void, therefore the position of the return token has to be reported.

Figure 4: Example Diagnostic Locations





The code generation is the last phase of the compiler and emits executable MIPS machine code corresponding to the input source code. This phase shall be executed upon calling the <code>generateCode</code> method in the <code>Compiler</code> class.

## Restrictions of TinyC

Functions in TinyC can have at most four parameters. Hence, at most four arguments can be passed to a function call. Therefore, all arguments for a function fit inside the \$a0 to \$a3 registers of a MIPS processor. You may assume that only programs that use functions with at most four arguments are compiled. Remember to comply with the calling convention.

To simplify code generation for expressions, you can assume that the number of temporarily required registers never exceeds ten. Therefore, you can store all temporary results in the registers \$t0 to \$t9.

### Implementation

The package mipsasmgen provides helper functions and classes for the code generation. The class MipsAsmGen is the main class for the code generation. It contains the possibility to generate individual instructions in the text segment as well as data and other declarations in the data segment. Thereby, the correct segment is automatically selected (via overloaded methods). Additionally, it is possible to comfortably create labels (for the text and data segment) that are guaranteed to be unique (makeTextLabel etc.). The created labels can be placed in the code using emitLabel. When creating data inside the data segment, labels are placed automatically.

Individual instruction classes are represented via *Enums*. The methods of the assembly generator for the output are overloaded correspondingly. The individual enum entries are named like their respective MIPS instructions (up to capitalization).

Consider the following example:

```
int global_var;
int main() {
    return global_var;
}
```

In the shown example, the TinyCprogram comprises a global variable and a main function which loads and returns the value of the variable. The compilation of this example program using the assembly generator class can be thought of as:

```
MipsAsmGen gen = new MipsAsmGen(System.out);

DataLabel data = gen.makeDataLabel("global_var");
gen.emitWord(data, 0);

TextLabel main = gen.makeTextLabel("main");
gen.emitLabel(main);

gen.emitInstruction(MemoryInstruction.LW, GPRegister.VO, data, 0, GPRegister.ZERO);
gen.emitInstruction(JumpRegisterInstruction.JR, GPRegister.RA);
```

First, a new instance is created by handing the constructor a PrintStream (in your implementation this is already done – see the JavaDoc). Afterwards, the global variable global\_var is represented as a new DataLabel. To allocate this variable with the created DataLabel, we call emitWord as the variable is of type int. Next, we define the method main. By adding a new text label, we have a marker for this method. We emit the label and generate code for the method. Loading a variable is done using a MemoryInstruction, where the target register is \$v0. Lastly, a returning jump to the register \$ra exits the method. The generated code is shown in the following:

```
.data
global_var:
    .word 0
    .text
main:
    lw $v0, global_var
    jr $ra
```

## Code generation rules

- Type sizes: For MIPS, the type int is mapped to word and char to byte.
- Automatic conversion: Operands of type char are cast to int, except for the operations & and sizeof.
- Assignment: If the left operand is of type char, the new value is truncated to the target size. The result of an assignment is the new value of the object on the left side. The same is true for **return values** and **function calls** (cf. section 5.1).
- Comparisons: The comparison operators return the values 0 (false) and 1 (true).
- Conditions: In conditions, all values except 0 or a null pointer are interpreted as true.
- sizeof: The sizeof-operator returns the size of its operand in bytes. For most operands this is the size of the operand's type in bytes. For string literals it is the length of the string, including the terminating NUL-character.
- Function call: You do not have to consider that function calls can have nested function calls as arguments.

## 7 Verification using Verification Conditions (9 Points)





The alternative task to code generation is to implement a verification method for annotated TinyC-programs. The method is based on verification conditions (see Chapter 7.4 in the script).

To establish the partial or total correctness of the program p, the validity of the formula vc p  $true \land pc$  p true must be established (see Theorem 7.4.11 and Lemma 7.4.13). Your task is to generate this formula for the input program. To this end, you must implement the method genVerificationConditions in the Compiler class to return this formula.

#### 7.1 Extending the grammar

To build an AST for the extended syntax, you need to implement the methods createAssertStatement, createAssumeStatement and createAnnotatedWhileStatement in your ASTFactory implementation to return a corresponding instance of Statement. Ensure to override the default implementations defined in the ASTFactory interface. As before, the toString method of these objects should return the abstract syntax of the respective construct:

- Expressions involving the new operators are printed analogously to ordinary binary or unary expressions, e.g., Unary\_![Binary\_>[Var\_x, Const\_0]].
- Assume and Assert statements are printed without underscores as Assume [expr] and Assert [expr]:

```
Assume[Binary_==[Var_x, Const_0]]
Assert[Binary_==[Var_x, Const_0]]
```

• The annotated while statement is printed as While\_identifier[cond, body, inv, term], if a termination function with an identifier is given. If only the termination function is given but the identifier is omitted, the abstract syntax is While[cond, body, inv, term]. If no termination function is given, the abstract syntax is While[cond, body, inv].

After extending the AST construction, extend the semantic analysis to verify the semantics of expressions with these operators (see tables 1 and 2 in appendix E). The extension of the grammar does not affect code generation.

## 7.2 Total correctness

By specifying termination functions for loops, we can prove the total correctness of loops and programs containing loops. The termination function for a loop (if it exists) is the expression t specified by  $\_\texttt{Term}$ . In a nutshell, we want to prove that the termination function t remains non-negative and strictly decreases in every loop iteration. Since natural numbers cannot decrease forever, the loop must eventually terminate. Formally, we extend vc and pc for loops with termination functions as follows to also prove termination:

```
 \text{pc} \ \llbracket \text{while} \ (e) \ \_ \text{Invariant}(I) \ \_ \text{Term}(t) \ s \rrbracket \ Q = I \land 0 \le t   \text{vc} \ \llbracket \text{while} \ (e) \ \_ \text{Invariant}(I) \ \_ \text{Term}(t) \ s \rrbracket \ Q = \{I \land e \land 0 \le t \le k + 1 \Rightarrow \text{pc} \ s \ I \land 0 \le t \le k \}   \cup \{\neg e \land I \Rightarrow Q\}   \cup \text{vc} \ s \ (I \land 0 \le t \le k)
```

The variable k is used to specify an upper bound for t inside the verification condition and is called the loop bound of the termination function. Intuitively, we show that for an arbitrary value of k, if  $t \in [0, k+1]$  before the loop is entered, then  $t \in [0, k]$  after the iteration completes. Consequentially, t decreases in each loop iteration, and always remains non-negative. The precondition makes sure that t is initially non-negative.

### Nested Loops

Proving the termination of nested loops requires additional syntactical support. Consider the following example:

```
int i = 6;
while (i > 0) _Invariant(1) _Term(i) {
    i = i - 1;
    while (0) _Invariant(I) _Term(0) {}
}
```

When computing the verification conditions for this program, we eventually generate the verification condition vc while (0) \_Invariant(I) \_Term(0) {}  $0 \le i \le k = I \Rightarrow 0 \le i \le k$  (after simplication). However, to prove  $I \Rightarrow 0 \le i \le k$ , the invariant I must make statements about k, yet k does not naturally exist within the program. To resolve this issue, the optional identifier specified by \_Term introduces a designated variable for the loop bound k of this termination function that can be referred to by nested invariants. Termination of the above program can now be verified:

```
int i = 6;
while (i > 0) _Invariant(1) _Term(i; k) {
   i = i - 1;
   while (0) _Invariant(0 <= i <= k) _Term(0) {}
}</pre>
```

The loop bound identifier of \_Term (if present) is declared in an intermediate scope between the invariant of the loop and the loop body (which itself opens a nested scope within this scope). The identifier is of type int and must (as long as it is not hidden by another declaration) only be used inside invariants of nested loops, as it exists only to enable the proof of termination. You must extend your semantic analysis to verify that the identifier is never used in other contexts.

#### 7.3 Formula construction

Your task is to implement the function genVerificationConditions in Compiler.java. This function shall return a Formula that was constructed following the rules from chapter 7.4.2. In addition to the rules from the script, you need to support the return statement and while loops with termination functions. The precondition for a return statement is true and it has no verification conditions.

```
pc [return \ expr;] Q = true vc [return \ expr;] Q = \{\}
```

We already provide you with the formula classes in the package tinycc.logic. The following example demonstrates the usage of the given classes: fig. 5 shows a TINYC program where one may assume that y has the value 5. After setting x to 5 it checks whether x == y holds true.

```
int f(int x, int y) {
    // Computed formula: (y == 5) => (5 == y)
    _Assume(y == 5);
    // 5 == y
    x = 5;
    // x == y (or (x == y) /\ true)
    _Assert(x == y);
    // true
    return x;
    // true
}
```

Figure 5: Example Program to be verified

The formula that you shall deduce in the example shown in fig. 5 is  $((y == 5) \Rightarrow (5 == y))$ . As depicted in fig. 6, to create this formula with the given formula classes, you can start by creating a constant and a variable, and then setting up a formula that expresses the equality of those two. The same can be done for the other side of the implication. Afterwards, for the right side you create the conjunction with the boolean constant true. Upon building both sub-formulas, the implication can be created from them.

```
Variable leftY = new Variable("y", Type.INT);
IntConst left5 = new IntConst(5);
BinaryOpFormula left = new BinaryOpFormula(BinaryOperator.EQ, leftY, left5);

IntConst rightL5 = new IntConst(5);
Variable rightLY = new Variable("y", Type.INT);
BinaryOpFormula rightL = new BinaryOpFormula(BinaryOperator.EQ, rightL5, rightLY);

BoolConst rightR = Boolconst.TRUE;

BinaryOpFormula right = new BinaryOpFormula(BinaryOperator.AND, rightL, rightR);

Formula imp = new BinaryOpFormula(BinaryOperator.IMPLIES, left, right);
```

Figure 6: Usage of the tinycc.logic package, expressing the computed formulas of fig. 5 in Java.

### Restrictions on TinyC for testing preconditions

The program must have exactly one function definition and may have arbitrarily many function and variable declarations. The defined function marks the entry point for the verifier. You therefore must compute the formula pc B  $true \land vc$  B true inside the method genVerificationConditions, where B is the body of the function. You may assume that in this function

- no function calls are present.
- all loops have invariants.
- only integer types will be used (no pointers, no string literals).
- assignments will only be used in ExpressionStatements and DeclarationStatements and must be the outermost expression. The left side of the assignment has to be an identifier. Therefore, x = 8 + z; is permitted, whereas y = (z = 5); is not.
- expressions will not contain divisions (/).

Ensure that these restrictions are fulfilled *while building the formulas* and throw any exception, if that is not the case. You can find the example from fig. 5 in the public tests.

#### Translating expressions to formulas

The language TinyC does not have boolean types. The formulas that are constructed, contain both int and bool. The operators are interpreted during formula construction as follows:

Operator	Comment
+ - *	The operands are of type int and the overall expression has the type int.
> ≥ < ≤	The operands are of type int and the overall expression is of type bool.
== #	Both operands are of type int or both operands are of type bool. They return a bool.
$\land \lor \Rightarrow \lnot$	Their operand(s) are of type bool and the overall expression is of type bool.

It is sometimes necessary to convert from int to bool to satisfy the type requirements. Take the expression 1 && 2 for example. You should generate a formula where both integers are explicitly converted from int to bool by adding  $\neq 0$  at the necessary points. The result is the formula  $(1 \neq 0) \land (2 \neq 0)$ .

An implicit conversion from bool to int is not required. We will not test expressions such as (1 && 2) < 3, where the operator  $\land$  results in a boolean formula and the operator < expects a formula of type int.

#### SMT solver

SMT solvers can detect whether a formula has a variable assignment, such that the formula evaluates to true. The result is *satisfiable*, if such an assignment exists and *unsatisfiable*, if such an assignment does not exist. The solver does not directly check whether a formula evaluates to true for all variable assignments. As we want to prove this property for our programs, we use a common trick: We negate the formula and check whether the result is unsatisfiable. Therefore, if the formula you constructed is universally true, the test result is *unsatisfiable*. Otherwise, you get the result *satisfiable* and a counter example (model).

In TinyC variables can be hidden, i.e. there may be multiple variables with the same name. The solver however assumes that variables with the same name are identical. Therefore, you have to ensure in your implementation that different variables with the same name are disambiguated. This can be achieved by appending a unique number to the name of a variable while constructing the formula.

For this project, the freely available theorem prover Z3 is used.

#### Remarks:

- The classes and interfaces inside the package tinycc.logic.solver are helper classes for translating the TinyC-formulas to Z3-formulas. You do not have to use these for your implementation and do not have to take a look at them.
- The script defines the function def e, which builds a formula describing all states in which e is defined. You may assume that expressions are always defined (due to preceding name checking) and can therefore ignore the function or set it to true.
- Whether you shall show partial or total correctness is decided by whether all loops have a termination condition in addition to the invariant. If this is the case, determine total correctness, otherwise partial. To show partial correctness, you may use the formula for total correctness and omit the termination function or replace it with *true*.
- We do not check whether your formula is syntactically identical to a given formula. Merely the satisfiability
  has to be the same.

## 8 Bonus Assignments

For this project, it is possible to achieve bonus points. To be eligible for bonus points, you have to pass all public tests for the non-bonus assignments.

## 8.1 Verification and Code Generation (9 Bonus Points)

(Phase 3a/3b)



If you implement both phase 3a and 3b of the compiler, you will get points for both phases. If you obtain more than 9 points in both phases, you achieve the rest of the points as bonus points.

### 8.2 Break and Continue (5 Bonus Points)

Bonus



In this bonus assignment TinyC is **extended** with **break** and **continue** (see fig. 7 in appendix E). The statements can appear at any point of the source code. However, they are only valid inside loops.

### Semantic analysis (1 Bonus Point)

Extend your semantic analysis to report an error in case the statements are at an invalid location. For example, the following program shall be rejected, and the error message shall point to the position of the break-statement:

```
int foo() {
    break;
/* ^ */
    return 42;
}
```

It suffices to pass the *public* tests for the AST construction and semantic analysis to be eligible for this bonus.

## Code generation (2 Bonus Points)

While break immediately exists a loop and jumps to the instruction after the surrounding loop, continue leads to directly jumping back to the loop condition. Implement the code generation for break and continue. It is useful to create labels for every loop, as they can be used as the respective jump targets for break and continue.

## Verification (2 Bonus Points)

We first define the verification- and preconditions for continue. If a continue is encountered, the current postcondition is discarded and the formula  $I \land 0 \le t \le k$  is used instead, where I is the invariant of the surrounding loop, t the termination term and k the upper bound of the termination function. We effectively "forget" the postcondition and act as if we started from the end of the loop. No verification conditions are added.

```
\operatorname{pc} \ \llbracket \operatorname{\texttt{continue}}; \rrbracket \ Q = I \land 0 \le t \le k \qquad \text{vc} \ \llbracket \operatorname{\texttt{continue}}; \rrbracket \ Q = \{ \}
```

A break statement terminates the enclosing loop immediately when executed, therefore the termination proof can be ignored in this case. Apart from that, break behaves analogous to continue:

```
\operatorname{pc} \ \| \operatorname{break}; \| \ Q = I \qquad \operatorname{vc} \ \| \operatorname{break}; \| \ Q = \{ \}
```

When we encounter a break, we can no longer assume that the loop condition of the enclosing loop is false after the loop is left. Therefore, we have to slightly change the verification condition of while loops:

```
 \text{vc } \text{$I \land 0 \le t \le k \cup \{I \Rightarrow Q\} \cup $ if $s$ contains } \\ \{e \land I \land 0 \le t \le k+1 & a \text{ non-nested break} \\ \Rightarrow \text{pc } \text{$s$ $I \land 0 \le t \le k\} } \\ \text{vc } \text{$s$ $I \land 0 \le t \le k$} \\ \text{vc } \text{$s$ $I \land 0 \le t \le k$} \\ \text{vc } \text{$s$ $I \land 0 \le t \le k$} \\ \text{vc } \text{$s$ $I \land 0 \le t \le k+1$} \\ \text{otherwise} \\ \{e \land I \land 0 \le t \le k+1 & (\text{regular vc}) \\ \Rightarrow \text{pc } \text{$s$ $I \land 0 \le t \le k$} \\ \end{cases}
```

For loops without termination functions, the verification condition is analogous (without the subformulas involving the termination function).

## A Infrastructure, How to pass, Assorted Hints

## Using dGit

Use git to clone your personal project repository from dGit, for example by entering

git clone ssh://git@dgit.cs.uni-saarland.de:2222/prog2/2024/students/project-6-{your matriculation number}

Submit your project using git push until Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> of July, end of day, anywhere on earth (AoE). If you need a refresher on how to use git, consult the materials from the Programming 2 Pre-Course or additional material online<sup>3</sup>.

### Grading

Similar to the way you obtain your project, you will submit the project through git. The last commit pushed to our server before the deadline will be considered for grading. Please ensure that the last commit actually represents the version of your project that you wish to hand in.

Once you git pushed your project to our server, we will automatically grade your implementation on our server and give you feedback about its correctness. You can view your latest test results by following the link to the Prog2 Leaderboard in dCMS Personal Status page. We use three types of tests: public tests, regular tests, and eval tests. The public tests are available to you from the beginning of the project in your project repository. You should use them to test your implementation locally on your system. Once you pass all public tests related to one assignment, we will run the regular tests for your implementation disclosing to you the names of the regular tests and whether or not you successfully pass them.

Eval tests are similar to regular tests, but run only once after the project deadline. They directly help determine the number of points your implementation scored.

#### Notes

- (a) Attempts at tampering with our grading system, trying to deny service to, purposefully crash, or extract grading related data from it will (if detected) result in your immediate expulsion from the lecture and a notification to the examination board. In the past, similar attempts have led to us filing criminal complaints with the police.
- (b) Please refer to the description of project 4 if you need help setting up Visual Studio Code for the project.
- (c) As in the last projects, the JavaDoc comments inside the .java files are part of the project specification and complement this project description.
- (d) Add new files only to the package src/tinycc/implementation (or sub-packages). Provided interfaces must not be changed. You may add methods to the abstract classes, but you must not change already present ones.
- (e) There are some methods in the given interfaces, that are marked with **BONUS**, but are not mentioned in the project description. You may work on those parts, but they are neither tested nor do they yield points.
- (f) Follow the installation guide for the necessary dependencies in appendix C.

 $<sup>^3\</sup>mathrm{Such}$  as https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2

## B Guide and Tips

This project represents the last and also most challenging project of the lecture. For your orientation we give advice to aid your (time) management of the project:

#### General

Write your own tests and use them to regularly check the individual phases of your implementation for correctness. In the public tests you can find examples that you should take inspiration from. The semantics of C and hence TinyC can sometimes be rather surprising or unintuitive. Therefore, ask questions when they arise. The classes CompilerTests and FatalDiagnostic have fields for debugging that you can set to true to view the translated assembly code or your formulas for the verification conditions.

#### AST

The creation of the abstract syntax tree is the simplest part of the project. The class hierarchy that you build for the abstract syntax tree however can either simplify or complicate the further work on the project. Therefore, think about how to represent the syntactic elements in your class hierarchy in a reasonable way. The syntactic categories of the formal syntax can guide you.

### Semantic analysis

The semantic analysis is somewhat more difficult as there are many semantic errors to check. Think about how to reasonably represent the type hierarchy of TINYC. Afterwards, consider how to store nested scopes as a data structure. Remember that the type of a variable, if correctly declared, depends on the current scope. As soon as you have set up the basic data structures, you can start with the semantic analysis. Implement the rules bit by bit for all expressions from tables 1 and 2 and afterwards for all statements.

Remember to annotate the AST with semantic information during this phase. The type of an expression is required often and should not have to be recomputed. Furthermore, it is advantageous to store which identifier references which declaration during the name analysis. You later can disambiguate the identifiers via the declarations.

## Code generation

The code generation is the most challenging part of the implementation. First, bring to your mind which elements of TinyC correspond to which MIPS-elements (e.g. constants, string-literals, global variables, ...).

Do *not* store local variables in registers. Use the stack instead. Associate every declaration in a function with a unique offset on the stack, so that you know from which address the corresponding variable is loaded when used, or stored to in assigning contexts.

Follow the calling convention for function calls. You also have to secure the caller-save registers on the stack before a function call and restore them after returning. Conversely, functions have to take care of callee-save registers. Note that registers that are not used by your implementation don't have to be saved, which can save some work. The temporary registers have to be used for expressions. Memorize during code generation for which expressions which temporary registers are already used, to avoid accidentally overwriting other results in the same expression.

## Verification conditions

The verifier that you can implement instead of the code generation is also very demanding. Read chapter 7.4 of the script again and ask when questions arise. You do not have to comprehend the proofs for your implementation.

The way the formula is constructed naturally suggests to implement this construction via two methods for the precondition formula and the verification condition formula construction respectively. In the script, many examples as well as the precise definitions of the preconditions and verification conditions can be found. After extending the syntax tree, start with the simple cases. Implement the construction of the precondition and verification formulas for loops last. To get unique names for shadowed identifiers, the association between identifiers and declarations mentioned earlier can be used.

## C Setting up Dependencies in VSCode

### **MARS**

To resolve the dependencies in MarsUtils.java of the prog2.tests package, you must add the MARS assembly simulator as library to your project. Download the Mars4\_5.jar from the materials section<sup>4</sup> of the dCMS, rename it to mars.jar and place it inside the libs/ directory.

#### 7.3

To use the Z3 SMT solver in your project, precisely in the verification tests of the prog2.tests.pub.verify package, you need to add the library files and java bindings to your project. First, download the version 4.8.6 build of Z3 from the github releases page<sup>5</sup>. Under "Assets", download the Z3 build for your system's architecture: linux and WSL users should download z3-4.8.6-x64-ubuntu-16.04.zip, 64 bit windows users z3-4.8.6-x64-win.zip and z3-4.8.6-x64-osx-10.14.6.zip for MAC. Extract the zip archive and copy all files from the bin/ directory to your project's libs/ folder.

Make sure you have the extension "Extension Pack for Java" installed, and then restart VSCode. Once you have implemented the assignments of phase 3b, you can now run the prog2.tests.pub.verify tests.

## D Usage from the command line

After implementing phases 1, 2, and eiter of phases 3a or 3b of the project, you can use your compiler or verifier to translate or verify TinyC programs.

A shell script with the name tinycc is provided in the scripts/ directory, allowing you to execute your program from the command line. The compilation mode is specified with the option -c, the verification mode with -v. The compilation results in an output file FileName.s, where FileName references the input file name (e.g. test without file extension). You can also specify the output file using -o FileName, where FileName is the output file name. The verifier returns the formula for the verification condition directly on the console.

You can execute the generated machine code using the MARS simulator. We provide a task configuration which you can launch from VSCode via  $Terminal \rightarrow Run \ Task \rightarrow Run \ MARS$ . Alternatively you may use the provided runmars script found in scripts/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>https://dcms.cs.uni-saarland.de/prog2\_24/materials/

https://dcms.cs.umr-saarrand.de/progz\_z4/materiars/ https://github.com/Z3Prover/z3/releases/tag/z3-4.8.6

## E Syntax and Operators

## TinyC Syntax

#### **Top-Level Constructs**

```
TranslationUnit
                    := ExternalDeclaration*
ExternalDeclaration := Function | FunctionDeclaration | GlobalVariable
GlobalVariable := Type Identifier ';'
FunctionDeclaration := Type Identifier '(' ParameterList? ')' ';'
                  := Parameter (',' Parameter)*
ParameterList
                    := Type Identifier?
Parameter
                    := Type Identifier '(' NamedParameterList? ')' Block
Function
NamedParameterList := NamedParameter (',' NamedParameter)*
NamedParameter
                     := Type Identifier
Statements
Statement
                     := Block | ExpressionStatement
                      | IfStatement | ReturnStatement | WhileStatement
                      | AssertStatement | AssumeStatement
                      | BreakStatement | ContinueStatement
                     := '{' (Declaration | Statement)* '}'
Block
                     := Type Identifier ('=' Expression)? ';'
Declaration
                     := Expression ';'
ExpressionStatement
                     := 'if' '(' Expression ')' Statement ('else' Statement)?
IfStatement
ReturnStatement
                     := 'return' Expression? ';'
                     := 'while' '(' Expression ')' Statement
WhileStatement
                      'while' '(' Expression ')'
                      '_Invariant' '(' Expression ')' Statement
                      'while' '(' Expression ')'
                      '_Invariant' '(' Expression ')'
                      '_Term' '(' Expression (; Identifier)? ')' Statement
AssertStatement
                     := '_Assert' '(' Expression ')' ';'
AssumeStatement
                     := '_Assume' '(' Expression ')' ';'
BreakStatement
                     := 'break' ';'
ContinueStatement
                     := 'continue' ';'
Expressions
Expression
                     := BinaryExpression | PrimaryExpression | UnaryExpression
                      | FunctionCall
                     := Expression BinaryOperator Expression
BinaryExpression
                     := '=' | '==' | '!=' | '<' | '>' | '<=' | '>=' | '+'
BinaryOperator
                     | '-' | '*' | '/' | '||' | '&&'
                     := Expression '(' ExpressionList?')'
FunctionCall
ExpressionList
                     := Expression (',' Expression)*
                     := CharacterConstant | Identifier | IntegerConstant
PrimaryExpression
                     | StringLiteral | '(' Expression ')'
UnaryExpression
                     := UnaryOperator Expression
UnaryOperator
                     := '*' | '&' | 'sizeof' | '!'
Types
Type
                     := BaseType '*'*
                     := 'char' | 'int' | 'void'
BaseType
```

Figure 7: The formal syntax of TinyC. Additional constructs from phase 3b are marked in green. Constructs for the bonus assignments are marked in orange.

# TinyC Operators

Operator	Operand	Result	Remark	
*	Pointer	Object Pointer to complete type		
&	Object	Pointer	Complete type, operand has to be L-value	
sizeof	Object	int	Not Stringliteral and complete type	
sizeof	Stringliteral	int	Value is the length of the string including '\0'	
!	Scalar	int		

Table 1: Unary operators in TinyC. Additional operators from phase 3b are marked in green.

Operator	L. Operand	R. Operand	Result	Remark
+	Integer	Integer	int	
+	Pointer	Integer	Pointer	Pointer to complete type
+	Integer	Pointer	Pointer	Pointer to complete type
-	Integer	Integer	int	
-	Pointer	Integer	Pointer	Pointer to complete type
_	Pointer	Pointer	int	Identical pointer type, pointing to a complete type
*	Integer	Integer	int	
/	Integer	Integer	int	
== !=	Integer	Integer	int	
== !=	Pointer	Pointer	int	Identical pointer type / void* / Null pointer constant
< > <= >=	Integer	Integer	int	
< > <= >=	Pointer	Pointer	int	Identical pointer type
=	Scalar	Scalar	Scalar	Left side has to be assignable L-value
&&	Scalar	Scalar	int	
11	Scalar	Scalar	int	

Table 2: Binary operators in TinyC. Additional operators from phase 3b are marked in green.