

# **Languages and Compilers**

## **(SProg og Oversættere)**

### **Lecture 3**

#### **The ac language and compiler**

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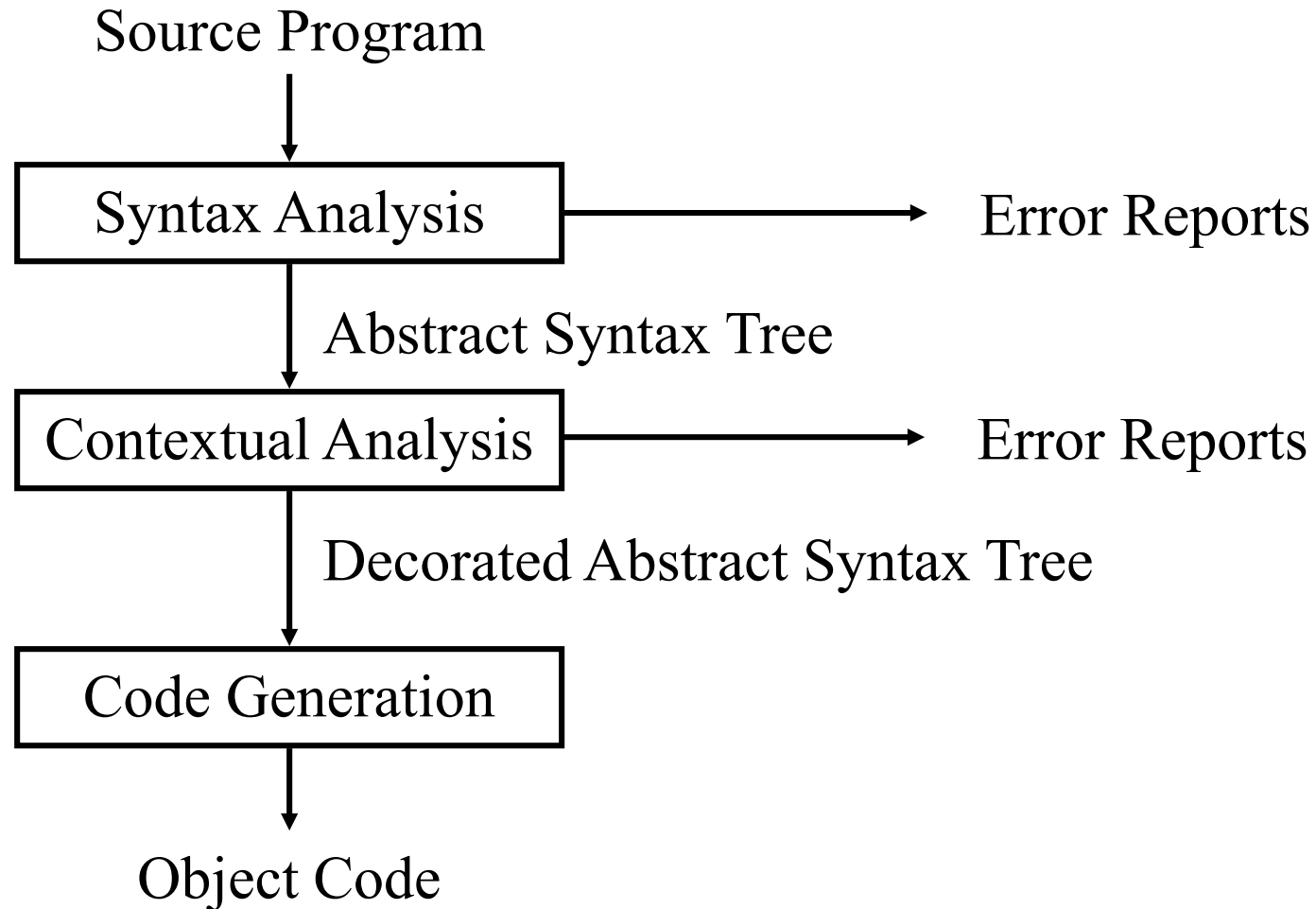
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# Learning goals

- Get an overview of a simple language (ac)
- Get an introduction to language definition
- Get an overview of the compilation process for a simple language
- Get a quick overview of a compiler's phases and their associated data structures

# The “Phases” of a Compiler



# Different Phases of a Compiler

The different phases can be seen as different transformation steps to transform source code into object code.

The different phases correspond roughly to the different parts of the language specification:

- Syntax analysis  $\leftrightarrow$  Syntax
  - Lexical analysis  $\leftrightarrow$  Regular Expressions
  - Parsing  $\leftrightarrow$  Context Free Grammar
- Contextual analysis  $\leftrightarrow$  Contextual constraints
  - Scope checking  $\leftrightarrow$  Scope rules (static semantics)
  - Type checking  $\leftrightarrow$  Type rules (static semantics)
- Code generation  $\leftrightarrow$  Semantics (dynamic semantics)

# Organization of a Compiler

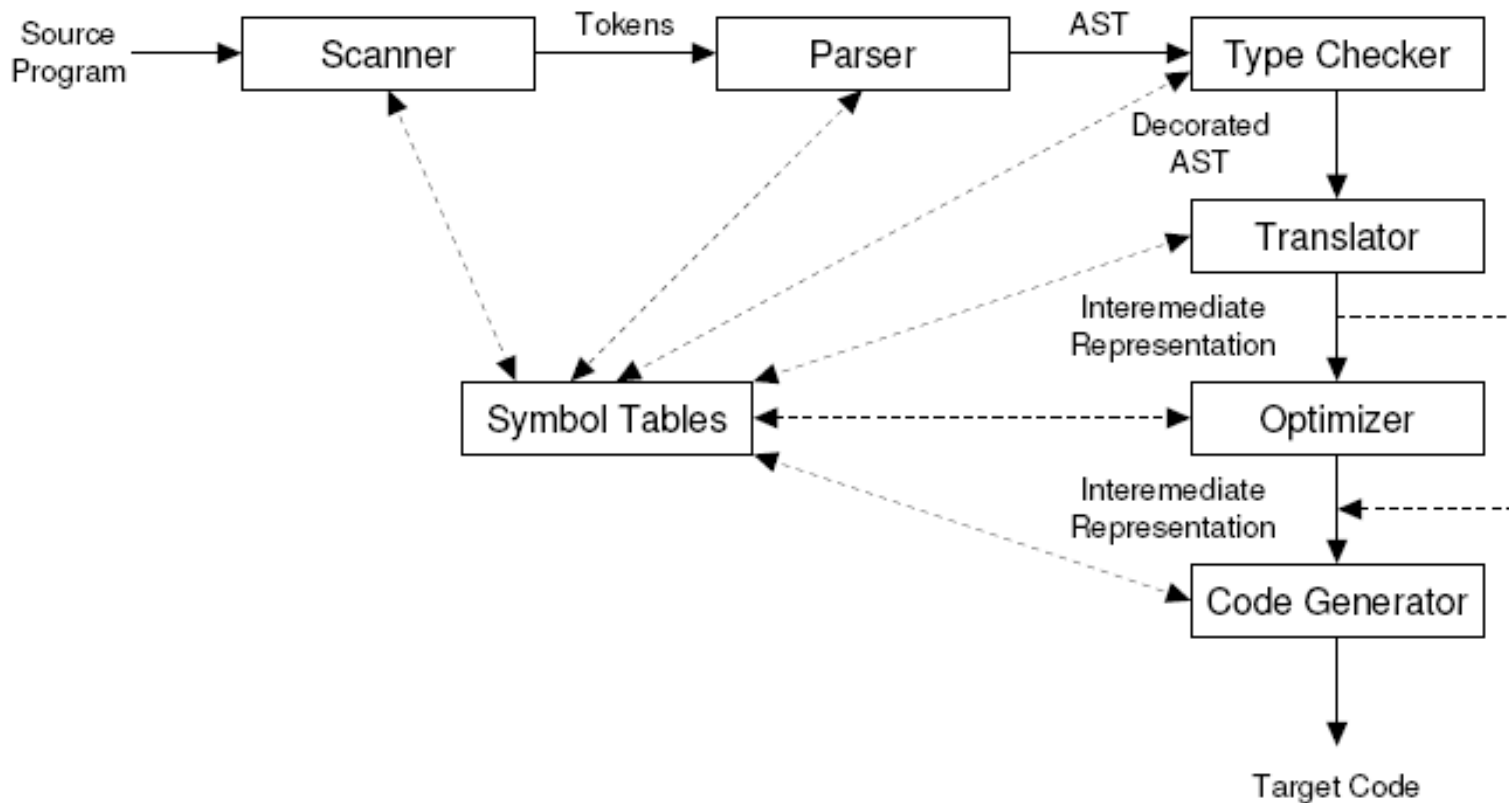


Figure 1.4: A syntax-directed compiler. AST denotes the Abstract Syntax Tree.

# Phases of a Simple Compiler

- **Scanner:** source program -> tokens
  - Part of Syntax analysis phase
  - Fischer et. Al. Chap. 3
- **Parser:** tokens -> abstract syntax tree (AST)
  - Part of Syntax analysis phase
  - Fischer et. Al. Chap. 5 & 6
- **Symbol table:** created from AST
  - Part of contextual analysis phase
  - Fischer et. Al. Chap. 8
- **Semantic analysis:** AST decoration
  - Part of contextual analysis phase
  - Fischer et. Al. Chap. 9
- **Translation (Code generation)**
  - Part of code generation phase
  - Fischer et. Al. Chap. 11 and Chap 13.

# An Informal Definition of the ac Language

- *ac*: adding calculator
- Types
  - *integer*
  - *float*: allows 5 fractional digits after the decimal point
  - Automatic type conversion from integer to float
- Keywords
  - *f*: float
  - *i*: integer
  - *p*: print
- Variables
  - 23 names from lowercase Roman alphabet except the three reserved keywords *f*, *i*, and *p*
- Monolithic scope, i.e. names are visible in the program when they are declared
  - Note more complex languages may have nested scopes
    - e.g. in C we can write `{ int x; ... { int x; ... x =5; ... } ... x =x +1; ... }`
- Target of translation: *dc* (desk calculator)
  - Reverse Polish notation (RPN)

# Example Program

```
f  b           // declare variable b as float
i  a           // declare variable a as int
a  =  5        // assign a the value 5
b  =  a + 3.2   // assign b the result of
                // calculating a + 3.2
p  b           // print the content of b
```



# An Example ac Program

- Example ac program:
  - f b
  - i a
  - a = 5
  - b = a + 3.2
  - p b
- Corresponding dc code
  - 5
  - sa
  - la
  - 3.2
  - +
  - sb
  - lb
  - p

Note that DC is a stack machine just like the JVM, CLR and PostScript

# Formal Definition of ac

- Syntax specification:
  - context-free grammar (CFG)
  - (Chap. 4)
- Token specification:
  - Regular Expressions (RE)
  - (Sec. 3.2)
- Note no formal definition of Type Rules or Runtime semantics (in Fischer et. Al.)

# A sketch SOS for ac

$P \rightarrow Dcl \ Stm$   
 $Dcl \rightarrow floatdcl \ id \ Dcl$   
 $\quad \mid \ int \ id \ Dcl$   
 $\quad \mid \ \epsilon$   
 $Stm \rightarrow id \ assign \ Exp$   
 $\quad \mid \ print \ id$   
 $\quad \mid \ stm \ stm$   
 $\quad \mid \ skip$   
 $Exp \rightarrow Exp_1 + Exp_2$   
 $\quad \mid \ Exp_1 - Exp_2$   
 $\quad \mid \ id$   
 $\quad \mid \ inum$   
 $\quad \mid \ fnum$

$$\frac{Env \vdash E_1 : int \quad Env \vdash E_2 : int}{Env \vdash E_1 + E_2 : int}$$

$$\frac{Env \vdash E_1 : float \quad Env \vdash E_2 : float}{Env \vdash E_1 + E_2 : float}$$

$$\frac{Env \vdash E : int}{Env \vdash E : float}$$

$$E \vdash id : t \text{ where } Env(id) = t$$

$$E \vdash \epsilon : ok$$

$$\frac{E[x \mapsto t] \vdash Dcl : ok}{E \vdash t \ x \ Dcl : ok}$$

$$\frac{S \vdash Exp_1 \rightarrow V_1 \quad S \vdash Exp_2 \rightarrow V_2}{S \vdash Exp_1 + Exp_2 \rightarrow V} \text{ where } V = V_1 + V_2$$

$$S \vdash t_m \rightarrow v \quad \text{if } \llbracket t_m \rrbracket = v$$

$$S \vdash x \rightarrow v \quad \text{if } S(x) = v$$

$$\langle x = E, s, 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle S[x \mapsto v], 0 \rangle \text{ if } S \vdash E \rightarrow v$$

$$\langle px, s, 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle S, S(x) : 0 \rangle$$

$$\frac{\langle S_1, s, 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle S'_1, 0' \rangle \quad \langle S_2, s', 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle S'_2, 0' \rangle}{\langle S_1 S_2, s, 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle S'', 0'' \rangle}$$

$$\langle skip, s, 0 \rangle \rightarrow \langle s, 0 \rangle$$

# Syntax Specification

```
1 Prog → Dcls Stmts $
2 Dcls → Dcl Dcls
3       | λ
4 Dcl  → floatdcl id
5       | intdcl id
6 Stmts → Stmt Stmts
7       | λ
8 Stmt  → id assign Val Expr
9       | print id
10 Expr → plus Val Expr
11      | minus Val Expr
12      | λ
13 Val  → id
14      | inum
15      | fnum
```

Figure 2.1: Context-free grammar for ac.

# Context Free Grammar

- CFG:
  - A set of productions or rewriting rules
  - E.g.: Stmt  $\rightarrow$  id assign Val Expr  
                  | print id
  - Two kinds of symbols
    - Terminals: cannot be rewritten
      - E.g.: id, assign, print
      - Empty or null string:  $\lambda$  - some references use  $\epsilon$  for empty string
      - End of input stream or file: \$
    - Nonterminals:
      - E.g.: Val, Expr
      - Start symbol: Prog
  - Left-hand side (LHS)
  - Right-hand side (RHS)

# Example Program

```
f  b          // declare variable b as float
i  a          // declare variable a as int
a  =  5       // assign a the value 5
b  =  a + 3.2  // assign b the result of
               // calculating a + 3.2
p  b          // print the content of b
$           // symbol used to signal
           // end of input
```

Step	Sentential Form	Production Number	
1	$\langle \text{Prog} \rangle$		
2	$\langle \text{Dcls} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	1	
3	$\langle \text{Dcl} \rangle \text{ Dcls } \text{ Stmts } \$$	2	
4	$\text{floatdcl id } \langle \text{Dcls} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	4	1 $\text{Prog} \rightarrow \text{Dcls Stmts } \$$
5	$\text{floatdcl id } \langle \text{Dcl} \rangle \text{ Dcls } \text{ Stmts } \$$	2	2 $\text{Dcls} \rightarrow \text{Dcl Dcls}$
6	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \langle \text{Dcls} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	5	3 $\quad \quad \quad   \lambda$
7	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \langle \text{Stmts} \rangle \$$	3	4 $\text{Dcl} \rightarrow \text{floatdcl id}$
8	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \langle \text{Stmt} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	6	5 $\quad \quad \quad   \text{intdcl id}$
9	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign } \langle \text{Val} \rangle \text{ Expr } \text{ Stmts } \$$	8	6 $\text{Stmts} \rightarrow \text{Stmt Stmts}$
10	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum } \langle \text{Expr} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	14	7 $\quad \quad \quad   \lambda$
11	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum } \langle \text{Stmts} \rangle \$$	12	8 $\text{Stmt} \rightarrow \text{id assign Val Expr}$
12	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum } \langle \text{Stmt} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	6	9 $\quad \quad \quad   \text{print id}$
13	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum } \text{id assign } \langle \text{Val} \rangle \text{ Expr } \text{ Stmts } \$$	8	10 $\text{Expr} \rightarrow \text{plus Val Expr}$
14	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum id assign id } \langle \text{Expr} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	13	11 $\quad \quad \quad   \text{minus Val Expr}$
15	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum id assign id plus } \langle \text{Val} \rangle \text{ Expr } \text{ Stmts } \$$	10	12 $\quad \quad \quad   \lambda$
16	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum id assign id plus fnum } \langle \text{Expr} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	15	13 $\text{Val} \rightarrow \text{id}$
17	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum id assign id plus fnum } \langle \text{Stmts} \rangle \$$	12	14 $\quad \quad \quad   \text{inum}$
18	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum id assign id plus fnum } \langle \text{Stmt} \rangle \text{ Stmts } \$$	6	15 $\quad \quad \quad   \text{fnum}$
19	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum id assign id plus fnum } \text{print id } \langle \text{Stmts} \rangle \$$	9	
20	$\text{floatdcl id } \text{intdcl id } \text{id assign inum id assign id plus fnum print id } \$$	7	
	$f \ b \ i \ a \ a \ = \ 5 \ b \ = \ a \ + \ 3.2 \ p \ b \ \$$		

Figure 2.2: Derivation of an ac program using the grammar in Figure 2.1.

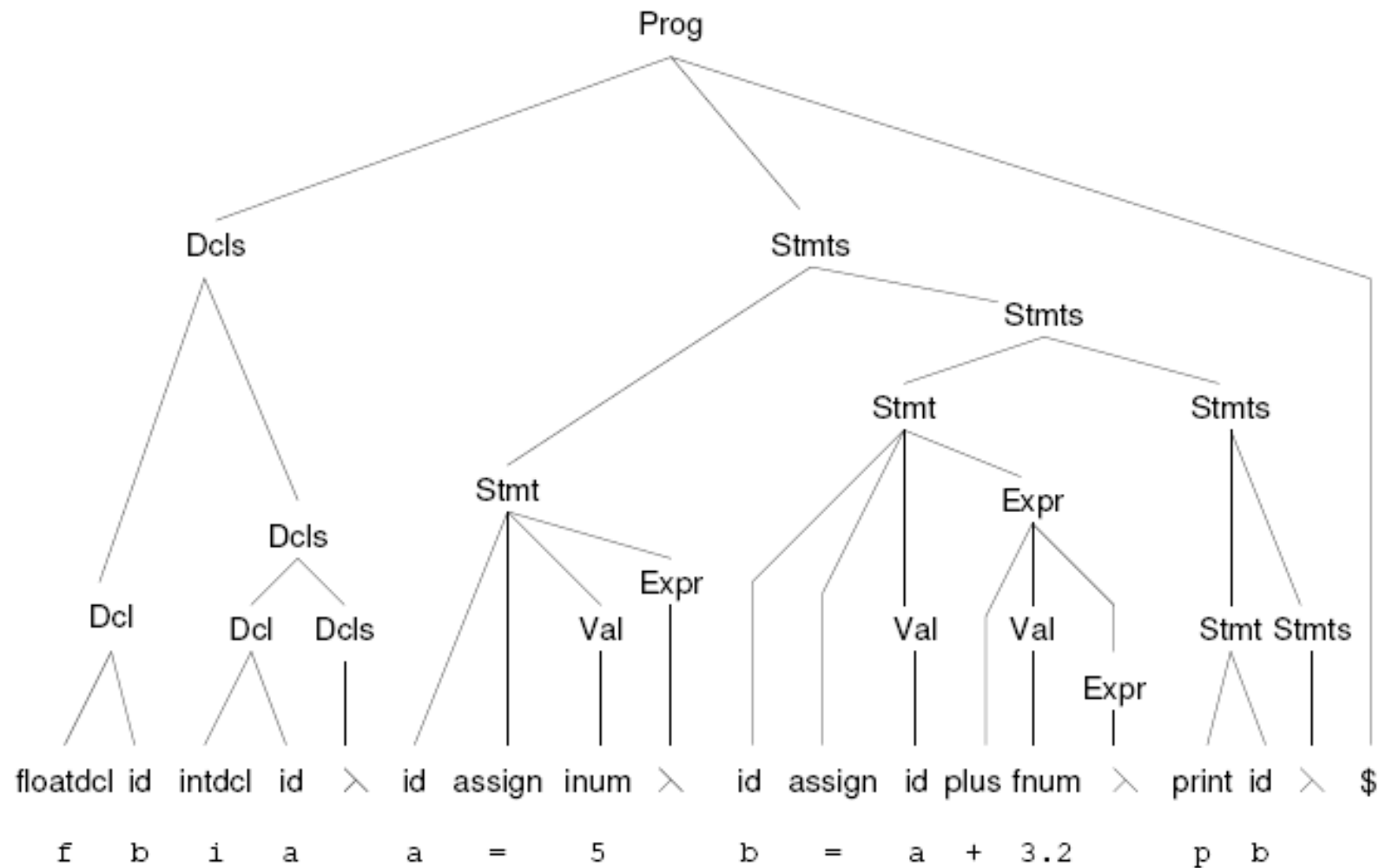


Figure 2.4: An ac program and its parse tree.



# Definition of ac language

## Regular expression specifies **Token**

- The actual input characters that correspond to each terminal symbol (called token) are specified by regular expression.
- For example:
  - **assign** symbol as a terminal, which appears in the input stream as “=” character.
  - The terminal **id (identifier)** could be any alphabetic character except f, i, or p, which are reserved for special use in ac. It is specified as [a-e] | [g-h] | [j-o] | [q-z]
- Regular expression will be covered in Ch. 3.
- Also need to specify which symbols to ignore
  - E.g. blanks, tabs, comments (sometimes called Ignore Tokens)

# Token Specification for ac

Terminal	Regular Expression
floatdcl	"f"
intdcl	"i"
print	"p"
id	[a - e]   [g - h]   [j - o]   [q - z]
assign	"="
plus	"+"
minus	"_"
inum	[0 - 9] <sup>+</sup>
fnum	[0 - 9] <sup>+</sup> .[0 - 9] <sup>+</sup>
blank	(" ") <sup>+</sup>

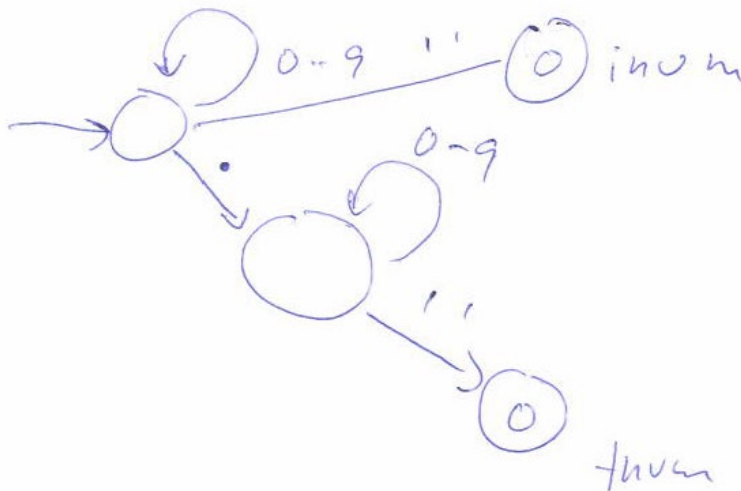
Figure 2.3: Formal definition of ac tokens.

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Note: In most languages id is a sequence of letters and numbers starting  
With a letter defined as [a-z]([a-z] | [0-9])<sup>\*</sup>

# Tokens and FSA

inum	$[0-9]^+$
fnum	$[0-9]^+.[0-9]^+$
blank	$(\ " \ " )^+$



# Phases of an ac compiler

- Scanning/lexing
  - The **scanner** reads a source **ac** program as a text file and produces a stream of tokens.
  - Fig. 2.5 shows a scanner that finds all tokens for ac.
  - Fig. 2.6 shows scanning a number token.
  - Each token has the two components:
    - 1) **Token type** explains the token's category. (e.g., id)
    - 2) **Token value** provides the string value of the token. (e.g., "b")
  - Automatic construction of scanners: Chap.3

# Scanning: Divide Input into Tokens

An example ac source program:

```
f b
i a
a = 5
b = a + 3.2
p b
```

**Lexems** are “words” in the input, for example keywords, operators, identifiers, literals, etc.

**Tokens** is a datastructure for lexems and additional information



<i>floatdl</i>	<i>id</i>	<i>intdcl</i>	<i>id</i>	<i>id</i>	<i>assign</i>	<i>inum</i>	...
f	b	i	a	a	=	5	

...	<i>assign</i>	<i>id</i>	<i>plus</i>	<i>fnum</i>	<i>print</i>	<i>id</i>	<i>eot</i>
	=	a	+	3.2	p	b	

```

function SCANNER( ) returns Token
  while s.PEEK( ) = blank do call s.ADVANCE( )
  if s.EOF( )
  then ans.type  $\leftarrow$  $
  else
    if s.PEEK( )  $\in \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$ 
    then ans  $\leftarrow$  SCANDIGITS( )
    else
      ch  $\leftarrow$  s.ADVANCE( )
      switch (ch)
        case { a, b, ..., z } - { i, f, p }
          ans.type  $\leftarrow$  id
          ans.val  $\leftarrow$  ch
        case f
          ans.type  $\leftarrow$  floatdcl
        case i
          ans.type  $\leftarrow$  intdcl
        case p
          ans.type  $\leftarrow$  print
        case =
          ans.type  $\leftarrow$  assign
        case +
          ans.type  $\leftarrow$  plus
        case -
          ans.type  $\leftarrow$  minus
        case default
          call LEXICALERROR( )
      return (ans)
    end
  end

```

Terminal	Regular Expression
floatdcl	"f"
intdcl	"i"
print	"p"
id	[a - e]   [g - h]   [j - o]   [q - z]
assign	"="
plus	"+"
minus	"-"
inum	[0 - 9] <sup>+</sup>
fnum	[0 - 9] <sup>+</sup> . [0 - 9] <sup>+</sup>
blank	(" ") <sup>+</sup>

Figure 2.5: Scanner for the ac language. The variable *s* is an input stream of characters.

```

/**
 * Figure 2.5 code, processes the input stream looking
 * for the next Token.
 * @return the next input Token
 */
public static Token Scanner() {
    Token ans;
    while (s.peek() == BLANK)
        s.advance();
    if (s.EOF())
        ans = new Token(EOF);
    else {
        if (isDigit(s.peek()))
            ans = ScanDigits();
        else {
            char ch = s.advance();

            switch(representativeChar(ch)) {
                case 'a': // matches {a, b, ..., z} - {f, i, p}
                    ans = new Token(ID, ""+ch); break;
                case 'f':
                    ans = new Token(FLTDCL); break;
                case 'i':
                    ans = new Token(INTDCL); break;
                case 'p':
                    ans = new Token(PRINT); break;
                case '=':
                    ans = new Token(ASSIGN); break;
                case '+':
                    ans = new Token(PLUS); break;
                case '-':
                    ans = new Token(MINUS); break;
                default:
                    throw new Error("Lexical error on character with decimal value: " + (int)ch);
            }
        }
    }
    return ans;
}

```

```

function SCANDIGITS( ) returns token
    tok.val  $\leftarrow$  " "
    while S.PEEK( )  $\in$  { 0, 1, ..., 9 } do
        tok.val  $\leftarrow$  tok.val + S.ADVANCE( )
    if S.PEEK( )  $\neq$  "."
    then tok.type  $\leftarrow$  inum
    else
        tok.type  $\leftarrow$  fnum
        tok.val  $\leftarrow$  tok.val + S.ADVANCE( )
        while S.PEEK( )  $\in$  { 0, 1, ..., 9 } do
            tok.val  $\leftarrow$  tok.val + S.ADVANCE( )
    return (tok)
end

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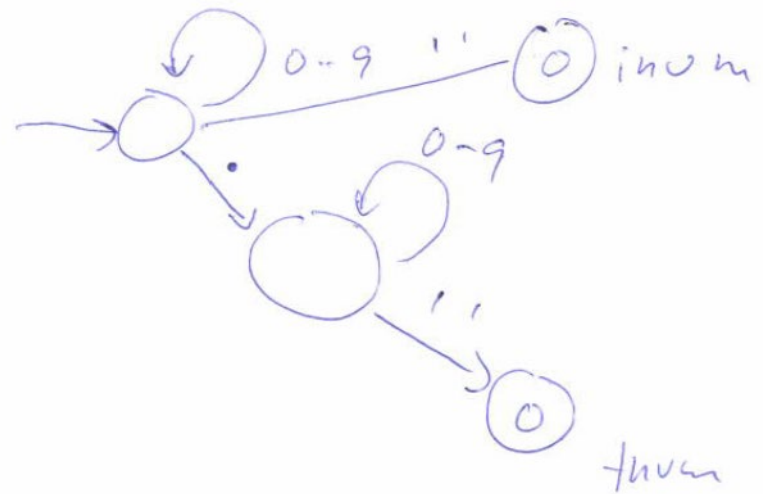


Figure 2.6: Finding inum or fnum tokens for the ac language.



```

/**
 * Figure 2.6 code, processes the input stream to form
 * a float or int constant.
 * @return the Token representing the discovered constant
 */

private static Token ScanDigits() {
    String val = "";
    int type;
    while (isDigit(s.peek())) {
        val = val + s.advance();
    }
    if (s.peek() != '.')
        type = INUM;
    else {
        type = FNUM;
        val = val + s.advance();
        while (isDigit(s.peek())) {
            val = val + s.advance();
        }
    }
    return new Token(type, val);
}

```

# Pause

# Parsing

- To determine if the stream of tokens conforms to the language's grammar specification
  - Chap. 4, 5, 6
  - For ac, a simple parsing technique called *recursive descent* is used
    - “Mutually recursive parsing routines that descend through a derivation tree”
    - Each nonterminal has an associated parsing procedure for determining if the token stream contains a sequence of tokens derivable from that nonterminal
    - Examine the next input token to predict which production should be applied, e.g:
      - » Stmt → id assign Val Expr
      - » Stmt → print id
  - Predict set
    - » {id} [1]
    - » {print} [6]

procedure STMT ( )	Stmt → id assign Val Expr	①
if <i>ts</i> .PEEK ( ) = id		
then		
call MATCH ( <i>ts</i> , id )		②
call MATCH ( <i>ts</i> , assign )		③
call VAL ( )		④
call EXPR ( )		⑤
else		
if <i>ts</i> .PEEK ( ) = print	Stmt → print id	⑥
then		
call MATCH ( <i>ts</i> , print )		
call MATCH ( <i>ts</i> , id )		
else		
call ERROR ( )		⑦
end		

Figure 2.7: Recursive-descent parsing procedure for Stmt. The variable *ts* is an input stream of tokens.

- Consider the productions for Stmts
  - $\text{Stmts} \rightarrow \text{Stmt Stmts}$
  - $\text{Stmts} \rightarrow \lambda$
- The predict sets
  - $\{\text{id}, \text{print}\} [8]$
  - $\{\text{\$}\} [11]$

```

procedure STMTS( )
    if ts.PEEK( ) = id or ts.PEEK( ) = print      ⑧
    then
        call STMT( )                                ⑨
        call STMTS( )                               ⑩
    else
        if ts.PEEK( ) = $                            ⑪
        then
            /* do nothing for  $\lambda$ -production      ★/ ⑫
        else call ERROR( )
    end

```

Figure 2.8: Recursive-descent parsing procedure for Stmts.

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```

/**
 * Figure 2.7 code
 */
public void Stmts() {
    if (ts.peek() == ID || ts.peek() == PRINT) {
        Stmt();
        Stmts();
    }
    else if (ts.peek() == EOF) {
        // Do nothing for lambda-production
    }
    else error("expected id, print, or eof");
}

public void Stmt() {
    if (ts.peek() == ID) {
        expect(ID);
        expect(ASSIGN);
        Val();
        Expr();
    }
    else if (ts.peek() == PRINT) {
        expect(PRINT);
        expect(ID);
    }
    else error("expected id or print");
}

```

# The result of parsing

- If all of the tokens are processed, an **abstract syntax tree (AST)** will be generated.
  - An example is shown in fig 2.9.
  - Actually the AST is produced during the process
- **AST** serves as a representation of a program for all phases after **syntax analysis**.



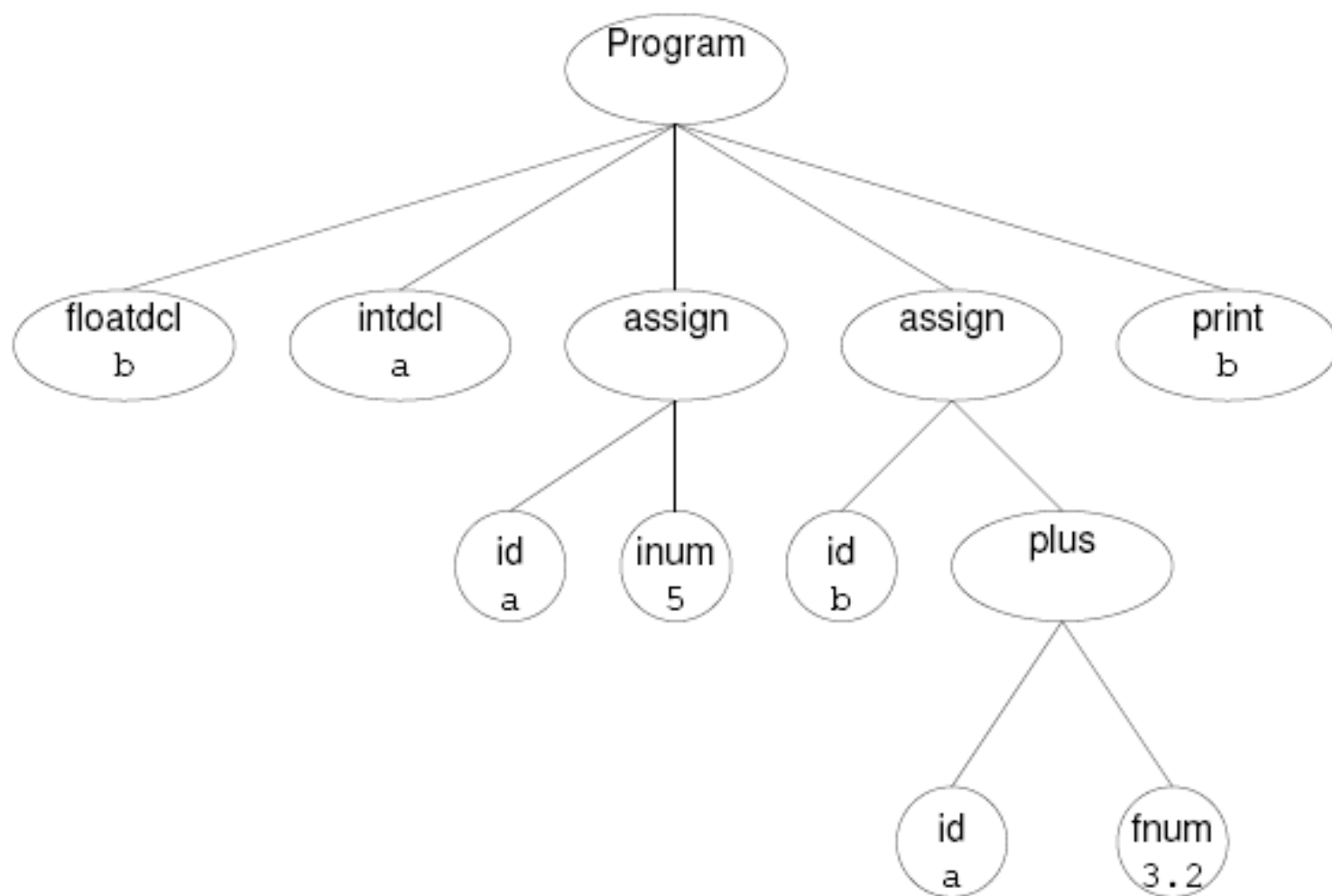


Figure 2.9: An abstract syntax tree for the ac program shown in Figure 2.4.

# Abstract Syntax Trees

- Parse trees are large and unnecessarily detailed (Fig. 2.4)
  - Abstract syntax tree (AST) (Fig. 2.9)
    - Inessential punctuation and delimiters are not included
  - A common intermediate representation for all phases after syntax analysis
    - Declarations need not be in source form
    - Order of executable statements explicitly represented
    - Assignment statement must retain identifier and expression
    - Nodes representing computation: operation and operands
    - Print statement must retain name of identifier



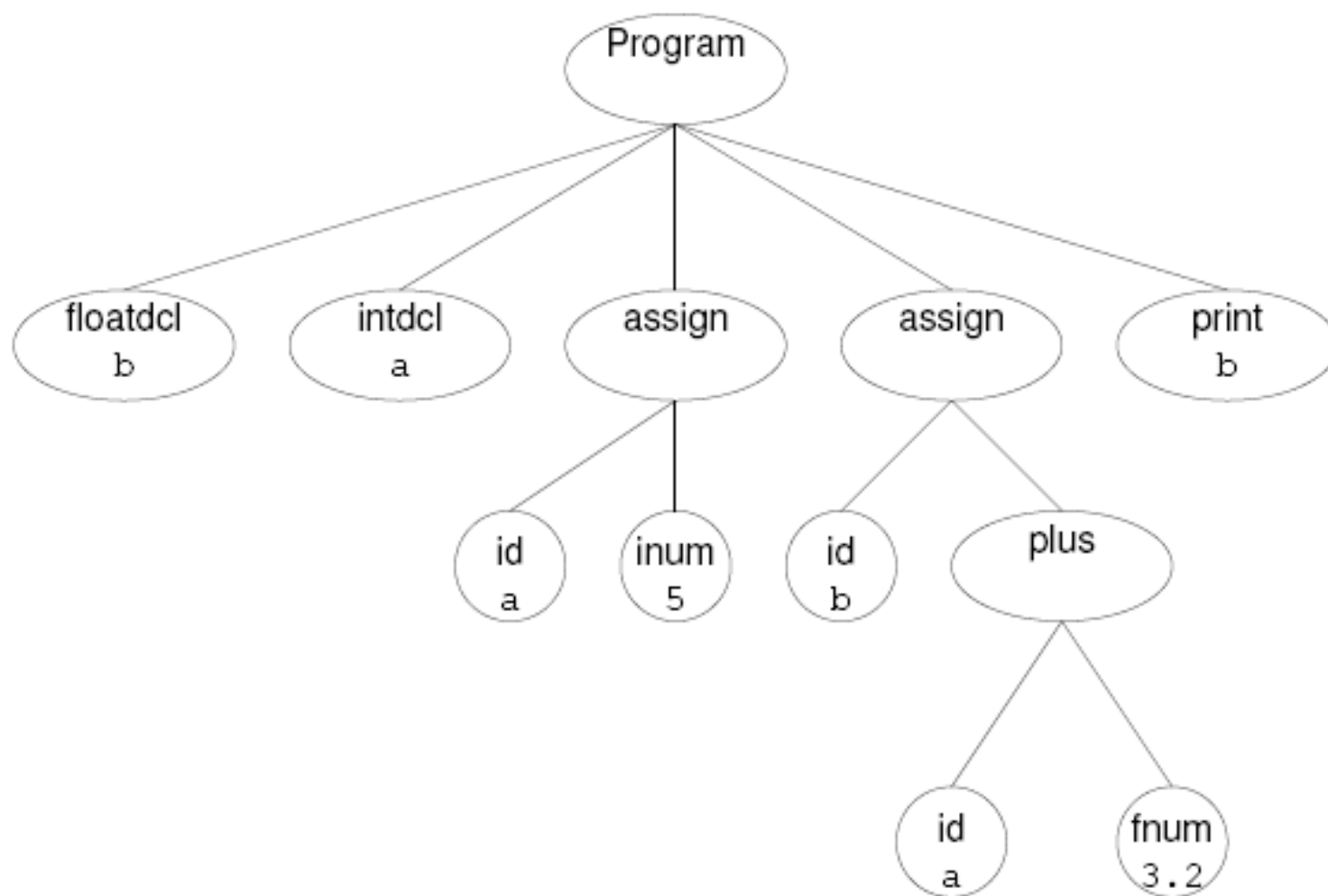


Figure 2.9: An abstract syntax tree for the ac program shown in Figure 2.4.

# Contextual Analysis

- Aspects of compilation that can be difficult to perform during syntax analysis
  - Some aspects of language cannot be specified in a CFG
    - Symbol usage consistency with type declaration
    - Scope/visibility of variables
    - In Java: x.y.z
      - Package x, class y, static field z
      - Variable x, field y, another field z
    - Operator overloading
      - +: numerical addition or appending of strings
  - Separation into phases makes the compiler much easier to write and maintain

# Semantic Analysis

- Example processing
  - Declarations and name scopes are processed to construct a **symbol table**
  - **Type consistency**
  - Make type-dependent behavior explicit

# Symbol Tables

- To record all identifiers and their types
  - 23 entries for 23 distinct identifiers in ac (Fig. 2.11)
    - Type info.: integer, float, unused (null)
    - Attributes: scope, storage class, protection properties
  - Symbol table construction (Fig. 2.10)
    - Symbol declaration nodes call VISIT(SymDeclaring n)
    - ENTERSYMBOL checks the given symbol has not been previously declared

/★ Visitor methods

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```
procedure VISIT(SymDeclaring n)  
    if n.GETTYPE() = floatdcl  
    then call ENTERSYMBOL(n.GETID(), float)  
    else call ENTERSYMBOL(n.GETID(), integer)  
end
```

/★ Symbol table management

★/

```
procedure ENTERSYMBOL(name, type)  
    if SymbolTable[name] = null  
    then SymbolTable[name] ← type  
    else call ERROR("duplicate declaration")  
end
```

```
function LOOKUPSYMBOL(name) returns type  
    return (SymbolTable[name])  
end
```

Figure 2.10: Symbol table construction for ac.



Symbol	Type	Symbol	Type	Symbol	Type
a	integer	k	null	t	null
b	float	l	null	u	null
c	null	m	null	v	null
d	null	n	null	w	null
e	null	o	null	x	null
g	null	q	null	y	null
h	null	r	null	z	null
j	null	s	null		

Figure 2.11: Symbol table for the ac program from Figure 2.4.

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# Type Checking

- Only two types in ac
  - Integer
  - Float
- Type hierarchy
  - Float wider than integer
  - Automatic widening (or casting)
    - integer -> float
- All identifiers must be type-declared in a program before they can be used
- This process walks the AST bottom-up from its leaves toward its root.

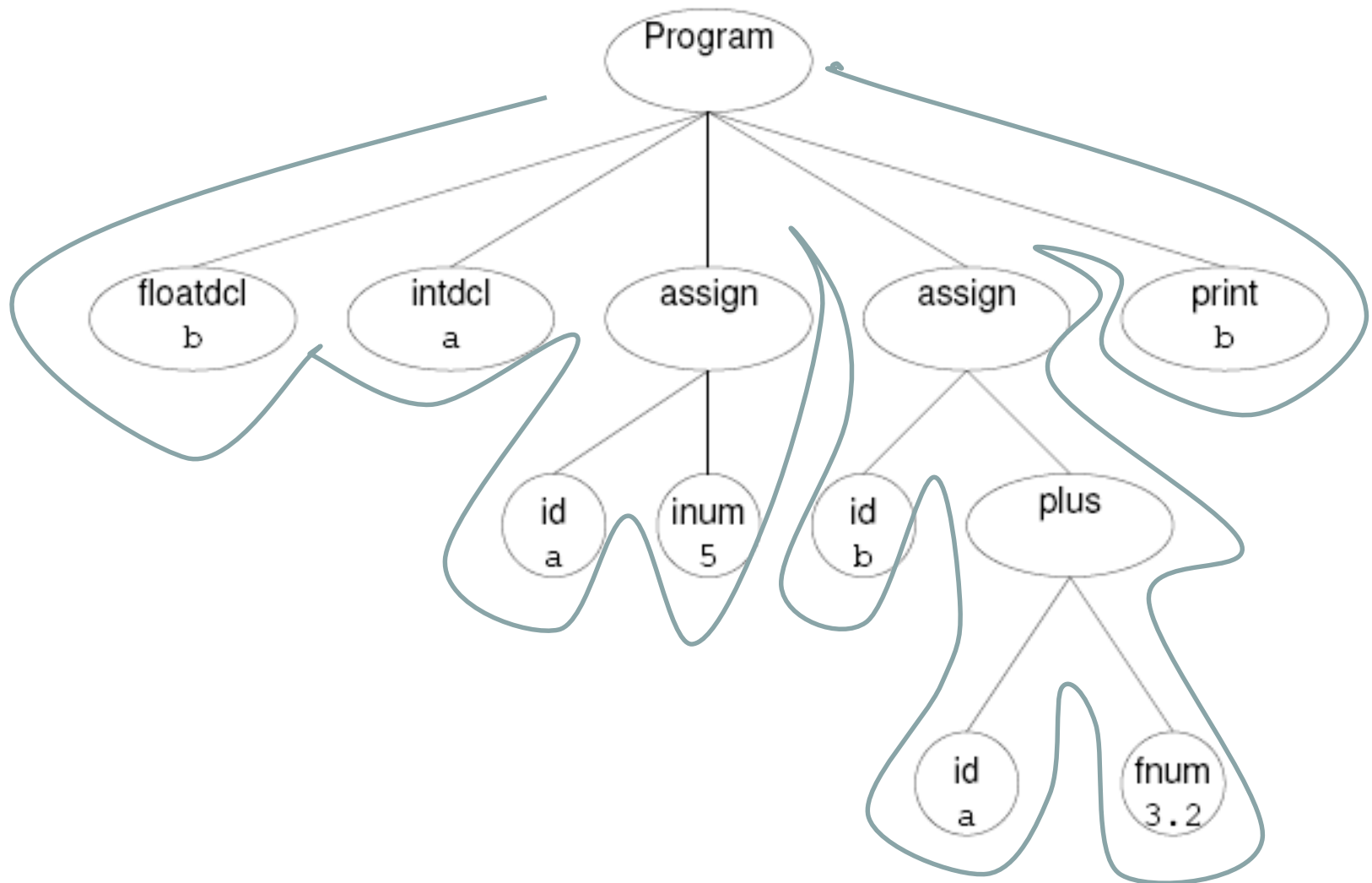


Figure 2.9: An abstract syntax tree for the ac program shown in Figure 2.4.

# Phases of an ac compiler (Cont.)

- At each node, appropriate analysis is applied:
  - For constants and symbol references, the visitor methods simply set the supplied node's type based on the node's contents.
  - For nodes that compute value, such as **plus** and **minus**, the appropriate type is computed by calling the utility methods.
  - For an assignment operation, the visitor makes certain that the value computed by the second child is of the same type as the assigned identifier (the first child).

The results of applying semantic analysis to the AST of fig 2.9 are shown in fig 2.13.

# Type Checking

/★ Visitor methods

★/

```
procedure VISIT( Computing n )  
    n.type ← CONSISTENT(n.child1, n.child2)  
end  
procedure VISIT( Assigning n )  
    n.type ← CONVERT(n.child2, n.child1.type)  
end  
procedure VISIT( SymReferencing n )  
    n.type ← LOOKUPSYMBOL(n.id)  
end  
procedure VISIT( IntConsting n )  
    n.type ← integer  
end  
procedure VISIT( FloatConsting n )  
    n.type ← float  
end
```

```

1  package acASTVisitor;
2
3  public class TypeChecker extends Visitor {
4
5      @Override
6      void visit(Assigning n) {
7          // TODO Auto-generated method stub
8          n.child1.accept(this);
9          int m = AST.SymbolTable.get(n.id);
10         int t = generalize(n.child1.type,m);
11         n.child1 = convert(n.child1,m);
12         n.type = t;
13     }
14
15     @Override
16     void visit(Computing n) {
17         // TODO Auto-generated method stub
18         n.child1.accept(this);
19         n.child2.accept(this);
20         int m = generalize(n.child1.type,n.child2.type);
21         n.child1 = convert(n.child1,m);
22         n.child2 = convert(n.child2,m);
23         n.type = m;
24     }
25
26     void visit(ConvertingToFloat n){
27         n.child.accept(this);
28         n.type = AST.FLTTYPE;
29     }
30
31     @Override
32     void visit(FloatConsting n) {
33         // TODO Auto-generated method stub
34         n.type = AST.FLTTYPE;
35     }
36
37
38     @Override
39     void visit(IntConsting n) {
40         // TODO Auto-generated method stub
41         n.type = AST.INTTYPE;
42     }
43
44     ,

```

```

/★   Type-checking utilities                               ★/
function CONSISTENT(c1, c2) returns type
    m ← GENERALIZE(c1.type, c2.type)
    call CONVERT(c1, m)
    call CONVERT(c2, m)
    return (m)
end
function GENERALIZE(t1, t2) returns type
    if t1 = float or t2 = float
    then ans ← float
    else ans ← integer
    return (ans)
end
procedure CONVERT(n, t)
    if n.type = float and t = integer
    then call ERROR("Illegal type conversion")
    else
        if n.type = integer and t = float
        then
            /★   replace node n by convert-to-float of node n   ★/ ⑬
        else /★ nothing needed ★/
    end
end

```

```
97
98 */
99
100 private int generalize(int t1, int t2){
101     if (t1 == AST.FLTTYPE || t2 == AST.FLTTYPE) return AST.FLTTYPE; else return AST.INTTYPE;
102 }
103
104 private AST convert(AST n, int t){
105     if (n.type == AST.FLTTYPE && t == AST.INTTYPE) error("Illegal type conversion");
106     else if (n.type == AST.INTTYPE && t == AST.FLTTYPE) return new ConvertingToFloat(n);
107     return n;
108 }
```



- Type checking
  - Constants and symbol reference: simply set the node's type based on the node's contents
  - Computation nodes: `CONSISTENT(n.c1, n.c2)`
  - Assignment operation: `CONVERT(n.c2, n.c1.type)`
- `CONSISTENT()`
  - `GENERALIZE()`: determines the least general type
  - `CONVERT()`: checks whether conversion is necessary

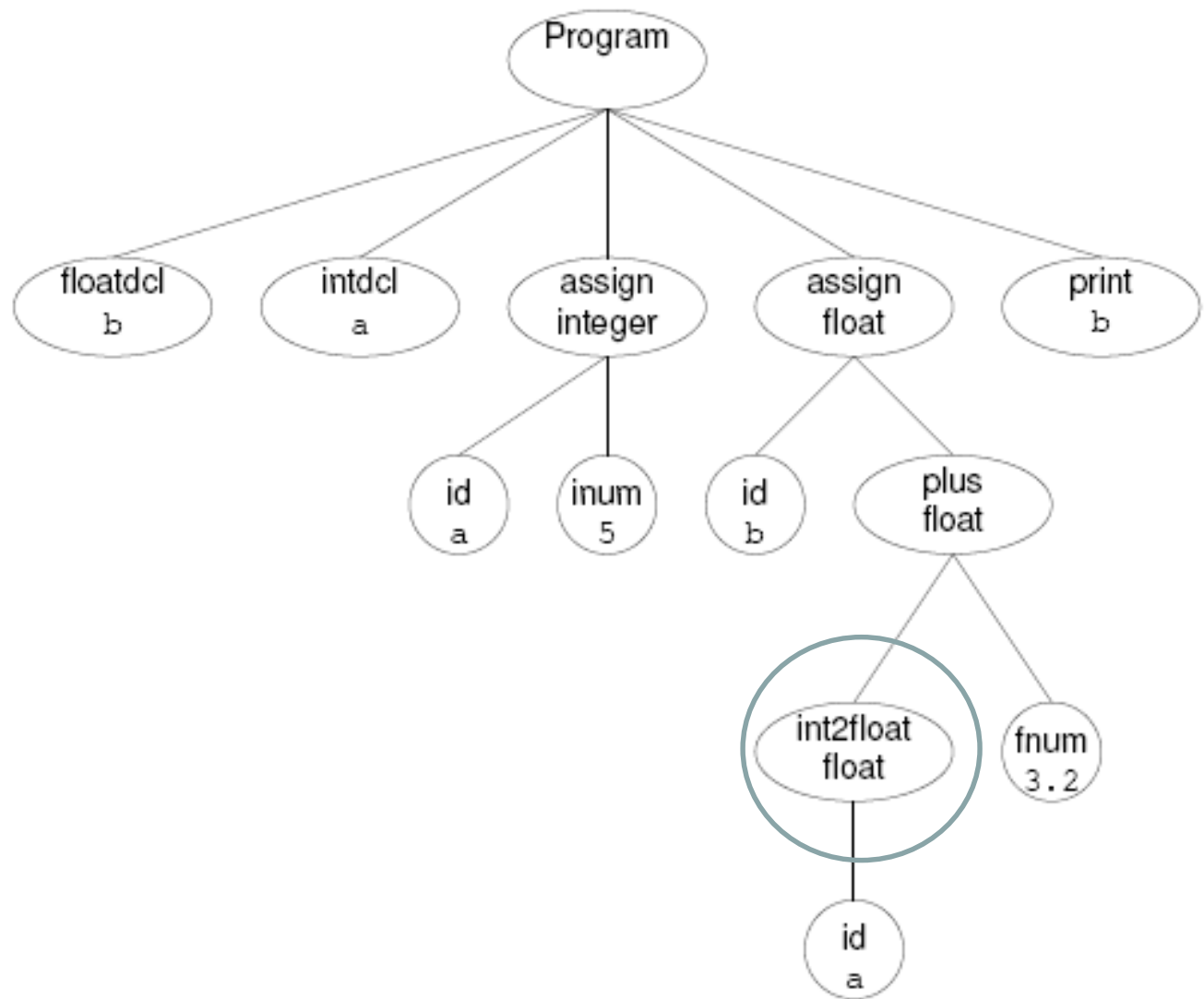


Figure 2.13: AST after semantic analysis.

# Code Generation

- The formulation of target-machine instructions that faithfully represent the semantics of the source program
  - Chap. 11 & 13
  - dc: stack machine model
  - Code generation proceeds by traversing the AST, starting at its root
    - VISIT (Computing n)
    - VISIT (Assigning n)
    - VISIT (SymReferencing n)
    - VISIT (Printing n)
    - VISIT (Converting n)

```

procedure VISIT( Assigning n )
    call CODEGEN(n.child2)
    call EMIT("s")
    call EMIT(n.child1.id)
    call EMIT("0 k")
end
procedure VISIT( Computing n )
    call CODEGEN(n.child1)
    call CODEGEN(n.child2)
    call EMIT(n.operation)
end
procedure VISIT( SymReferencing n )
    call EMIT("1")
    call EMIT(n.id)
end
procedure VISIT( Printing n )
    call EMIT("1")
    call EMIT(n.id)
    call EMIT("p")
    call EMIT("si")
end
procedure VISIT( Converting n )
    call CODEGEN(n.child)
    call EMIT("5 k")
end
procedure VISIT( Consting n )
    call EMIT(n.val)
end

```

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Figure 2.14: Code generation for ac

```

1  package acASTVisitor;
2
3  public class CodeGenerator extends Visitor {
4
5      String code = "";
6
7      public void emit(String c){
8          code = code + c;
9      }
10
11     @Override
12     void visit(Assigning n) {
13         n.child1.accept(this);
14         emit(" s");
15         emit(n.id);
16         emit(" 0 k ");
17     }
18
19     @Override
20     void visit(Computing n) {
21         n.child1.accept(this);
22         n.child2.accept(this);
23         emit(n.operation);
24     }
25
26     void visit(ConvertingToFloat n){
27         n.child.accept(this);
28         emit(" 5 k ");
29     }
30
31     @Override
32     void visit(FloatConsting n) {
33         emit(" " + n.val + " ");
34     }
35
36     @Override

```

```

41     @Override
42     void visit(Printing n) {
43         emit("l");
44         emit(n.id);
45         emit(" p ");
46         emit("si ");
47     }
48
49     @Override
50     void visit(Prog n) {
51         for(AST ast : n.prog){
52             ast.accept(this);
53         };
54         System.out.println(code);
55     }
56
57     @Override
58     void visit(SymDeclaring n) {
59     }
60
61     @Override
62     void visit(FloatDcl n) {
63     }
64
65     @Override
66     void visit(IntDcl n) {
67     }
68
69     @Override
70     void visit(SymReferencing n) {
71         emit("l");
72         emit(n.id + " ");
73     }
74
75
76 }

```

Code	Source	Comments
5 sa  0 k	a = 5	Push 5 on stack Pop the stack, storing ( <u>s</u> ) the popped value in register <u>a</u> Reset precision to integer
1a 5 k 3.2 +  sb 0 k	b = a + 3.2	Load ( <u>1</u> ) register <u>a</u> , pushing its value on stack Set precision to float Push 3.2 on stack Add: 5 and 3.2 are popped from the stack and their sum is pushed Pop the stack, storing the result in register b Reset precision to integer
1b p si	p b	Push the value of the b register Print the top-of-stack value Pop the stack by storing into the i register

Figure 2.15: Code generated for the AST shown in Figure 2.9.

- That's it !!
- At least for ac on dc

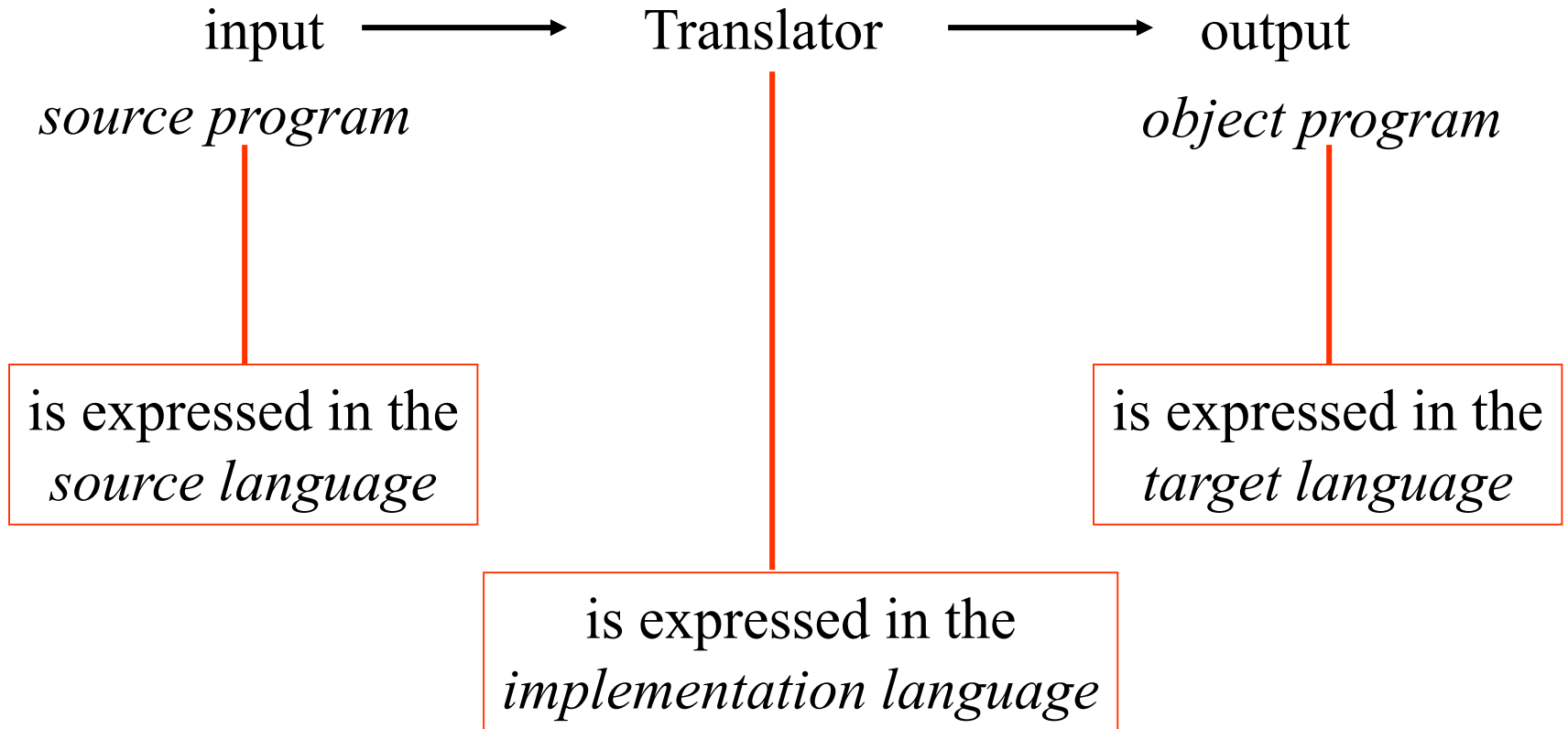
# Some advice

- A language design and compiler project follows an iterative approach
- but each iteration is easy to structure:
  - Design phase (Lecture 1-5 + 13-14 + 19)
  - Front-end development (Lecture 6-9)
  - Contextual analysis (Lecture 10-12)
  - Code generation or interpretation (Lecture 15-18 + 20)
  - If not happy start again
- You will learn the techniques and tools you need in time for you to apply them in your project



# Choosing the impl. language

**Q:** Which programming languages play a role in this picture?



57 **A:** All of them!

# What can we do now in our projects?

- Write programs!
- Imagine that you have already designed your language – how would programs look?
- Serves as outset for discussions about your language design
  - Especially token and grammar design
- Write lots of programs – they will serve as test case for your compiler later
- Start thinking about implementation language