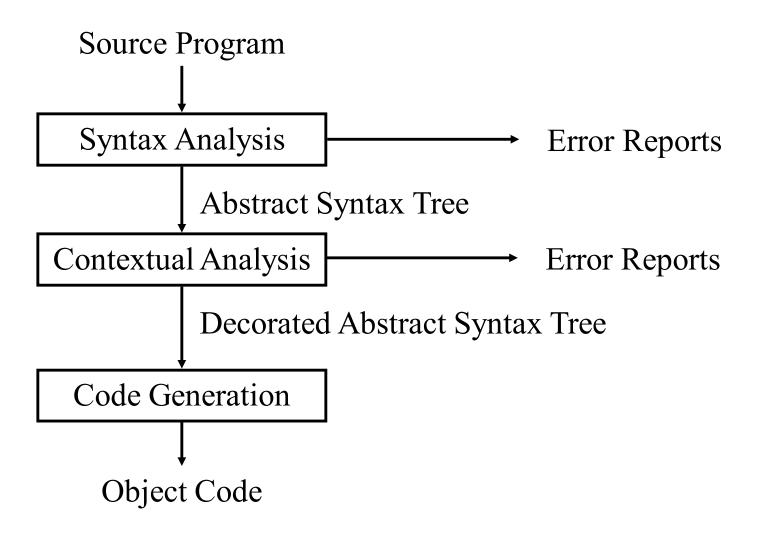
# Languages and Compilers (SProg og Oversættere)

Structure of the compiler

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- a) Describe the phases of the compiler
- b) Give an overall description of the purpose of each phase and how the phases interface
- c) Explain b) in more detail using the ac language
- d) Single pass vs. multi pass compiler
  - i. Issues in language design
  - ii. Issues in code generation

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

#### 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  $\{ \text{ int } x; \dots \{ \text{ int } x; \dots x = 5; \dots \} \dots x = x + 1; \dots \}$
- Target of translation: dc (desk calculator)
  - Reverse Polish notation (RPN)

# Syntax Specification

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

Figure 2.1: Context-free grammar for ac.

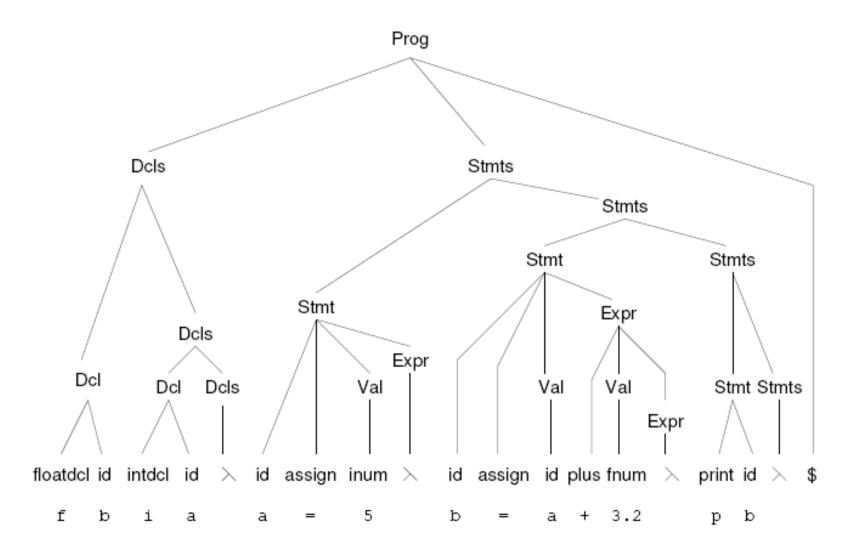


Figure 2.4: An ac program and its parse tree.

```
procedure STMT ( )
                                     Stmt → id assign Val Expr
   if ts.PEEK() = id
                                                                      (1)
   then
       call MATCH (ts, id)
       call MATCH(ts, assign)
       call VAL()
       call Expr()
   else
                                          Stmt → print id
       if ts.PEEK() = print
                                                                      (6)
       then
          call MATCH (ts, print)
          call MATCH (ts, id)
       else
          call ERROR()
end
```

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

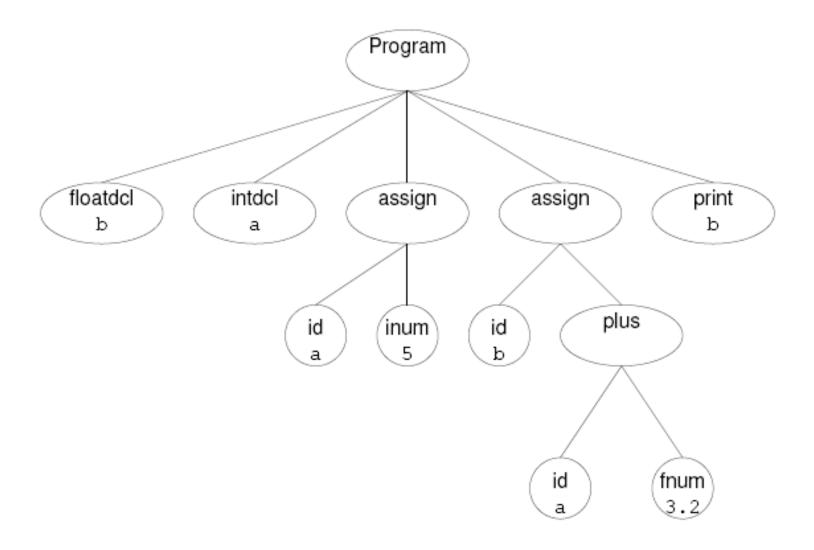
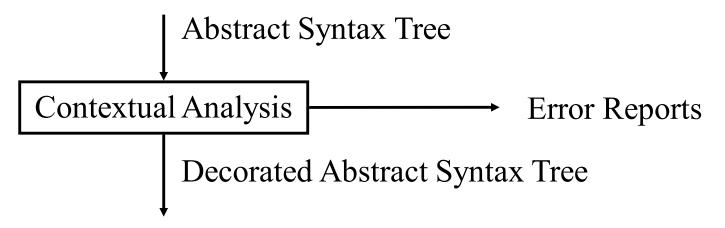


Figure 2.9: An abstract syntax tree for the ac program shown in Figure 2.4.

### 2) Contextual Analysis -> Decorated AST



#### Contextual analysis:

- Scope checking: verify that all applied occurrences of identifiers are declared
- Type checking: verify that all operations in the program are used according to their type rules.

#### Annotate AST:

- Applied identifier occurrences => declaration
- Expressions => Type

```
Visitor methods
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] \leftarrow type
   else call ERROR("duplicate declaration")
end
function LookupSymbol(name) returns type
   return (SymbolTable[name])
end
Figure 2.10: Symbol table construction for ac.
```

# 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.

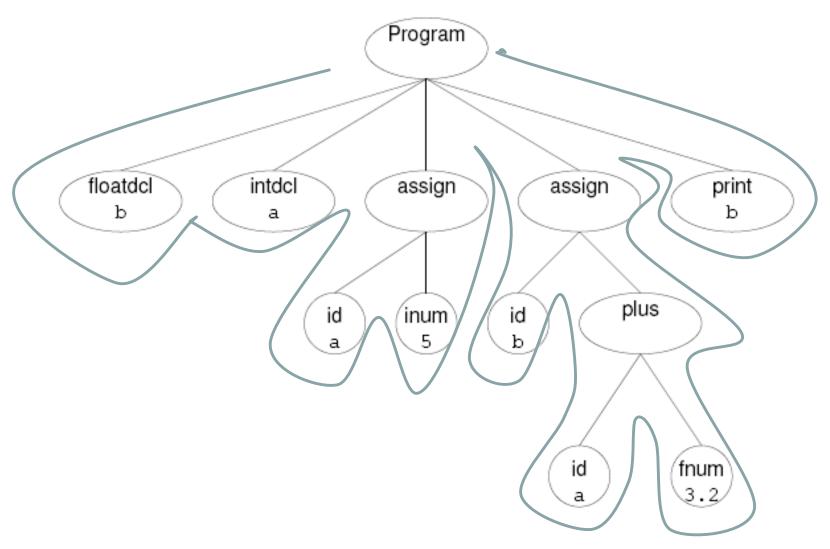


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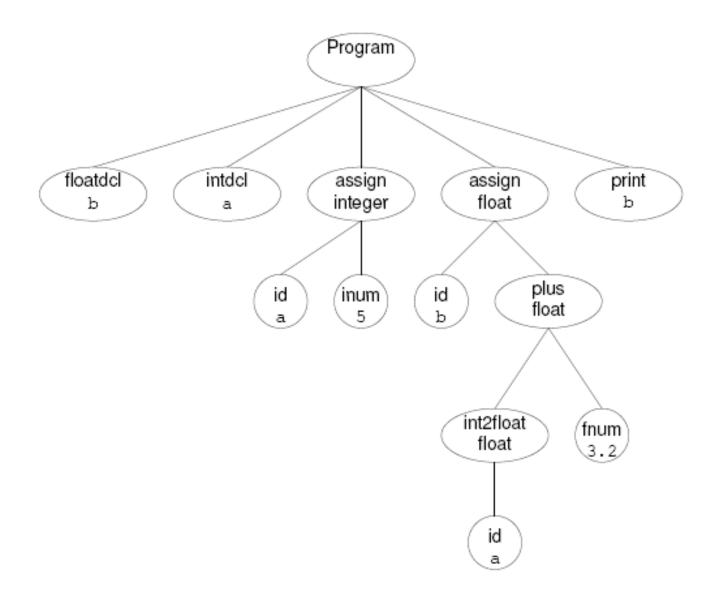


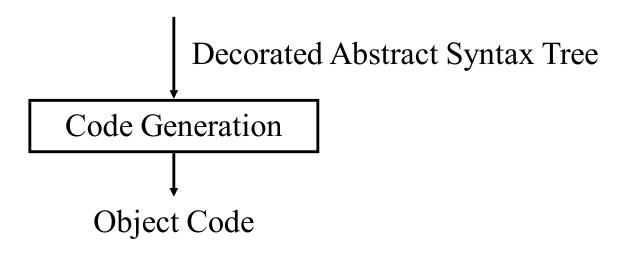
Figure 2.13: AST after semantic analysis.

# Type Checking

```
Visitor methods
procedure VISIT( Computing n )
   n.type \leftarrow Consistent(n.child1, n.child2)
end
procedure VISIT( Assigning n )
   n.type \leftarrow Convert(n.child2, n.child1.type)
end
procedure VISIT( SymReferencing n )
   n.type \leftarrow LookupSymbol(n.id)
end
procedure VISIT( IntConsting n )
   n.type \leftarrow integer
end
procedure visit(FloatConsting n)
   n.type \leftarrow float
end
```

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### 3) Code Generation



- Assumes that program has been thoroughly checked and is well formed (scope & type rules)
- Takes into account semantics of the source language as well as the target language.
- Transforms source program into target code.

```
procedure VISIT( Assigning n )
   call CodeGen(n.child2)
   call Emit("s")
   call Emit(n.child1.id)
   call Emit("0 k")
                                                                  (14)
end
procedure VISIT( Computing n)
   call CodeGen(n.child1)
   call CodeGen(n.child2)
   call Emit(n.operation)
                                                                  (15)
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")
                                                                  (16)
end
procedure visit( Converting n)
   call CodeGen(n.child)
                                                                  (17)
   call EMIT("5 k")
end
procedure VISIT( Consting n )
   call Emit(n.val)
end
```

Figure 2.14: Code generation for ac

### 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

## Organization of a Compiler

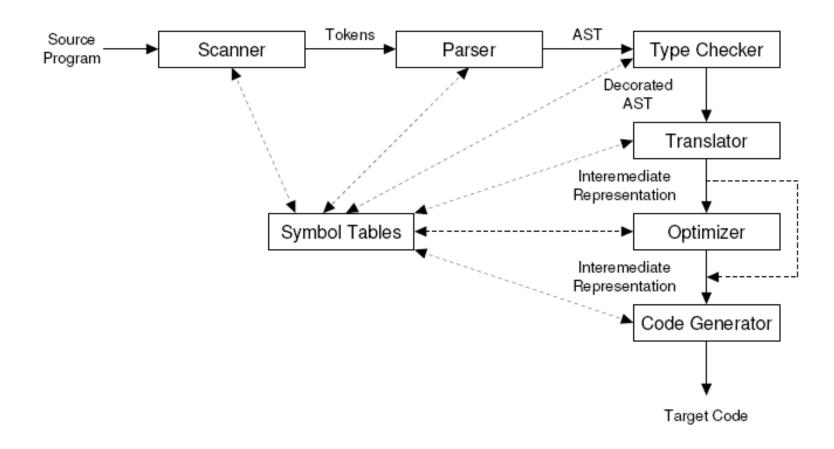


Figure 1.4: A syntax-directed compiler. AST denotes the Abstract Syntax Tree.

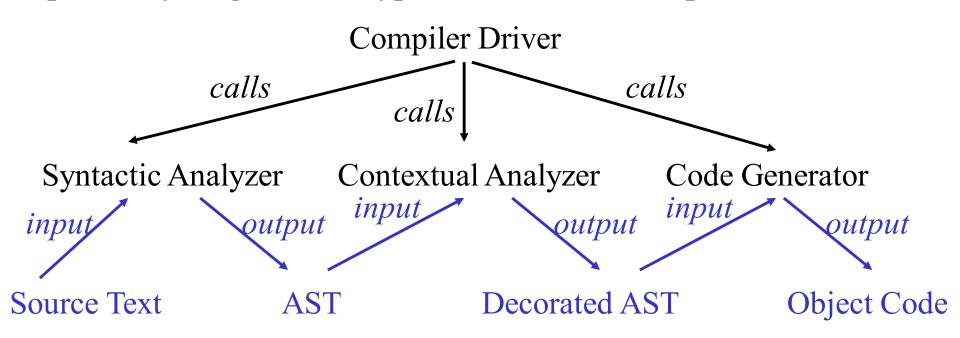
#### **Implementing Tree Traversal**

- "Traditional" OO approach
- Visitor approach
  - GOF
  - Using static overloading
  - Reflective
  - (dynamic)
  - (SableCC style)
- "Functional" approach
- Active patterns in Scala (or F#)
- (Aspect oriented approach)

#### **Multi Pass Compiler**

A multi pass compiler makes several passes over the program. The output of a preceding phase is stored in a data structure and used by subsequent phases.

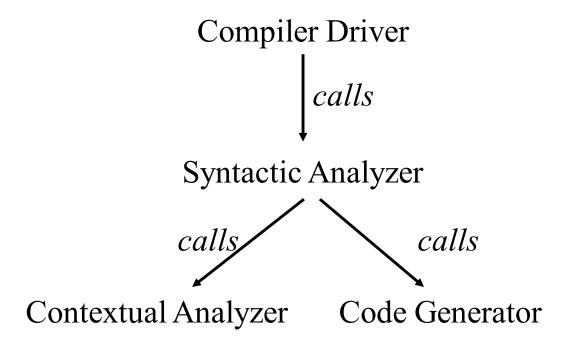
#### Dependency diagram of a typical Multi Pass Compiler:



#### **Single Pass Compiler**

A single pass compiler makes a single pass over the source text, parsing, analyzing and generating code all at once.

#### Dependency diagram of a typical Single Pass Compiler:



# **Compiler Design Issues**

	Single Pass	Multi Pass
Speed	better	worse
Memory	better for large programs	(potentially) better for small programs
Modularity	worse	better
Flexibility	worse	better
"Global" optimization	impossible	possible
Source Language	single pass compilers are not possible for many programming languages	

#### Example Pascal:

Pascal was explicitly designed to be easy to implement with a single pass compiler:

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```
forward procedure pong(x:integer)
procedure ping(x:integer)
begin
end:
procedure(pong)x:integer)
begin
   \dots ping(x); \dots
end;
```

#### Example Java:

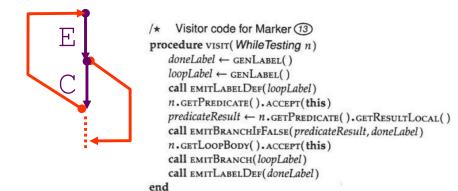
- identifiers can be declared before they are used.
- thus a Java compiler need at least two passes

```
Class Example {
    void inc() { n = n + 1; }
    int n;
    void use() { n = 0 ; inc(); }
}
```

#### **Code Templates**

#### While Command:

```
visit [while E do C] =
    1: visit [E]
        JUMPIFFALSE d
        visit[C]
        JUMP 1
```



#### **Alternative While Command code template:**

```
visit [while E do C] =
    JUMP h
1: visit [C]
h: visit[E]
    JUMPIFTRUE 1
```