



Principles of Compiler Construction

(目标) 代码生成

真正的挑战在于生成高质量代码--时间&空间
优化效果：源代码 > 中间代码 > 目标代码

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Lecture 11. Code Generation

1. Introduction
2. Abstraction of Target Machines
3. Implementation of Procedures
4. Optimization of Basic Blocks
5. A Simple Code Generator
6. Peephole Optimization

1. Introduction

- Code generators focus on

- 1. Instruction selection

- Choose appropriate target-machine instructions to implement IR statements.

- 2. Register allocation and assignment

- Make full use of registers, the fastest computational unit.

- 3. Instruction ordering

- Decide the order in which the execution of instructions is scheduled.
 - Also called **instruction scheduling**.

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Instruction Selection

- Both the speed and the size cost of the generated code should be considered.
 - Trade-off and consequence.
- Example 1: **a = a + 1**
 - LD R0, a
ADD R0, R0, #1
ST a, R0
 - INC a 更高效的做法
- Example 2: set register R0 to 0
 - LD R0, #0
 - XOR R0, R0 更高效的做法

Register Allocation and Assignment

- Include two subproblems
 - Register allocation
 - Select the set of variables that will reside in registers at each point in the program.
 - Register assignment
 - Pick the specific register that a variable will reside in.
- A difficult problem in code generation.

Instruction Scheduling

- Important for modern pipelined processors
 - RISC: Reduced Instruction Set Computer
 - RISC vs. CISC
 - Data Hazards (**stalls** in a pipeline): attempt to use a datum before it becomes available in register.
 - A value written to a register will not be available in its following cycles.
 - The following cycles should be utilized by instructions that does not depend on the value
 - Or they will be wasted.
 - Optimization: clustering instructions with no dependencies together, while preserving original semantics.

Instruction Scheduling (cont')

- An example: **(a + b) + c** on SGI's MIPS 2000

- LD R1, a
- LD R2, b
- **NOP**
- ADDi R1, R1, R2
- LD R2, c
- **NOP**
- ADDi R1, R1, R2



- Optimal generated code

- LD R1, a
- LD R2, b
- LD R3, c
- ADDi R1, R1, R2
- NOP
- ADDi R1, R1, R3



2. Abstraction of Target Machines

- Instruction set
- Addressing modes
- Program and instruction costs

Instruction Set

- Supports the following instructions

- LD dst, addr // load
- ST x, Ri // store
- OP dst, src1, src2 // ADD, SUB, ...
- OP dst, src1 // unary operation
- BR L // branch
- Bcond r, L // conditional branch

Addressing Modes

- Addressing in instructions

- **#C** // immediate constant, cost = 1
- **x** // absolute, cost = 1
- ***x** // indirect memory, cost = 1
- **R** // direct register, cost = 0
- ***R** // indirect register, cost = 0
- **a(Ri)** // direct indexed, cost = 1
 - **a** is a variable or a constant
 - LD R1, a(R2)
 - R1 = contents(a + contents(R2))
 - LD R1, 100(R2)
 - R1 = contents(100 + contents(R2))
- ***a(Ri)** // indirect indexed, cost = 1
 - LD R1, *100(R2)
 - R1 = contents(contents(100 + contents(R2)))

Program and Instruction Costs

- Cost of an instruction
 - = 1 + operand_addr_cost
- Cost of a program
 - = total of instruction costs
- Examples
 - LD R0, R1 // cost = 1
 - LD R0, x // cost = 2
 - LD R1, *100(R2) // cost = 2

3. Implementation of Procedures

- Static Allocation
- Stack Allocation

procedures

英 [prə'si:dʒəz] 美 [prə'si:dʒərz]
n. 程序；规程；外科手术（procedure
的复数）

Static Allocation

○ Implementation of **call** *callee*

- ...
ST *callee.staticArea*, #here + 20 // return address
BR *callee.codeArea* // jump to Callee
...
← 跳转指令之后下一条指令的地址

○ Implementation of **return**

- ...
BR **callee.staticArea* // return to Caller

Assume that the return address is saved at the **beginning** of the activation record. And
20 = 5 words * 4 bytes/word

An Example: Three-Address Code

// code for **c**

action₁

call p

action₂

halt

// code for **p**

action₃

return

An Example: Implementation

```
// code for c
100  action1
120  ST  364,  #140    // return address
132  BR  200          // call p
140  action2
160  HALT              // return to operating system
...

// code for p
200  action3
220  BR  *364          // return to its caller
....

// activation record for c
300                                     // return address to Caller
304                                     // local data for c
....

// activation record for p
364  140                       // return address to Caller
368                                     // local data for p
```

Stack Allocation

需要的时候才分配

○ Implementation of initialization

- LD SP, #stackStart // initialize the stack
... // code for main()
HALT // terminate

寄存器

○ Implementation of **call callee**

- ...
ADD SP, SP, #caller.recordSize // push an AR
ST *SP, #here + 16 // return address
BR callee.codeArea // jump to Callee
SUB SP, SP, #caller.recordSize // pop the AR
...

DBv2 must assume that
addressing 0(SP) has no
additional cost

○ Implementation of **return**

- ...
BR *0(SP) // return to Caller

An Example: Three-Address Code

// code for **m**

action₁

call q

action₂

halt

// code for **p**

action₃

return

// code for **q**

action₄

call p

action₅

call q

action₆

call q

return

An Example: Implementation

```
100 LD    SP, #600
108 action1
128 ADD SP, SP, #msize
136 ST    *SP, #152
144 BR    300
152 SUB SP, SP, #msize
160 action2
180 HALT
```

code for p

```
...
200 action3
220 BR    *0(SP)
```

code for q

```
....
300 action4
320 ADD SP, SP, #qsize
328 ST    *SP, #344
```

```
336 BR    200
344 SUB SP, SP, #qsize
352 action5
372 ADD SP, SP, #qsize
380 ST    *SP, #396
388 BR    300
396 SUB SP, SP, #qsize
404 action6
424 ADD SP, SP, #qsize
432 ST    *SP, #448
440 BR    300
448 SUB SP, SP, #qsize
456 BR    *0(SP)
```

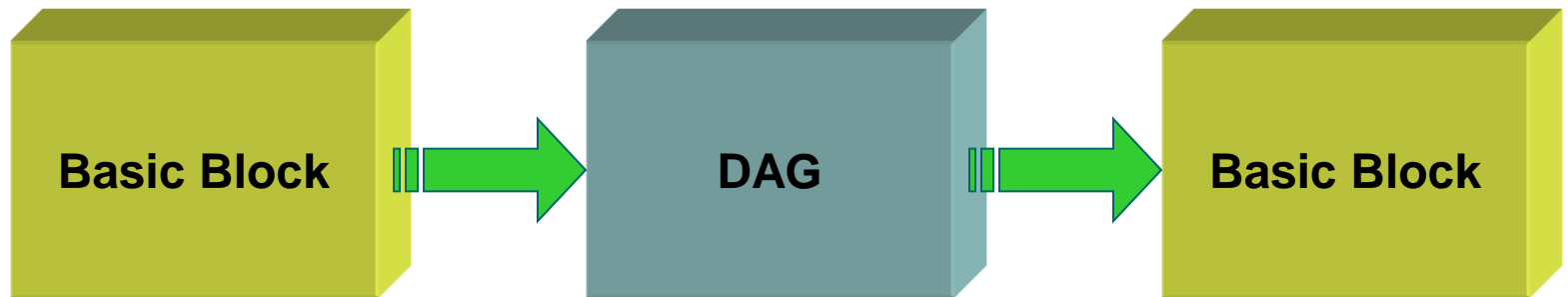
blue for call
sequence

```
...
600
```

stack

4. Optimization of Basic Blocks

- Approach



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Basic Blocks

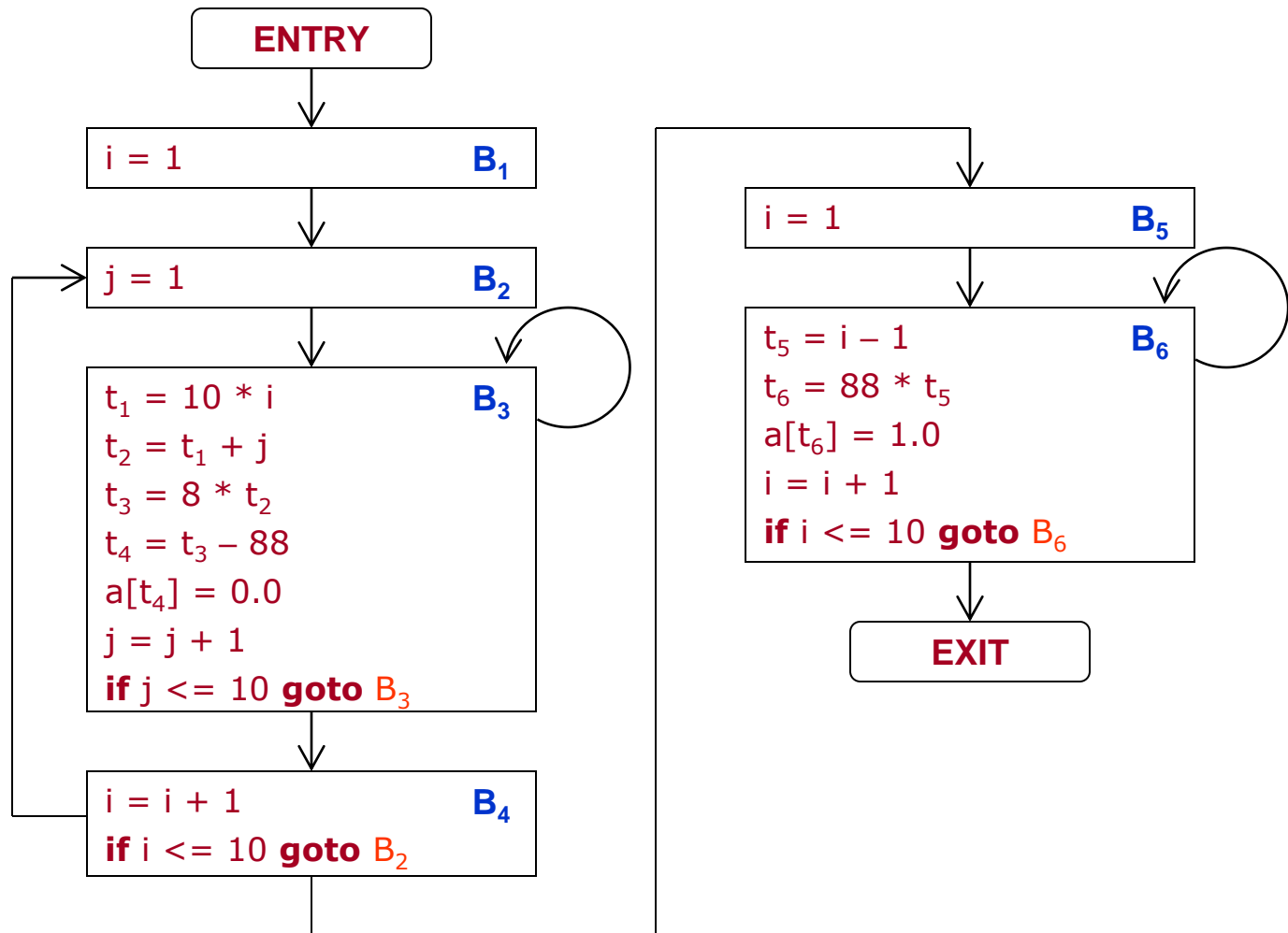
- Single entry and single exit
- Example

```
(1) i = 1
(2) j = 1
(3) t1 = 10 * i
(4) t2 = t1 + j
(5) t3 = 8 * t2
(6) t4 = t3 - 88
(7) a[t4] = 0.0
(8) j = j + 1
(9) if j <= 10 goto 3
```

```
(10) i = i + 1
(11) if i <= 10 goto 2
(12) i = 1
(13) t5 = i - 1
(14) t6 = 88 * t5
(15) a[t6] = 1.0
(16) i = i + 1
(17) if i <= 10 goto 13
```

Flow Graphs

流程图



Construction of Flow Graphs

- Partition three-address instructions into basic blocks
 - **Leader**: the 1st instruction in a basic block.
 - Algorithm to find all leaders
 1. The 1st three-address instruction
 2. Target of a conditional or unconditional jump
跳转指令目标以及后头的那一条指令
 3. Instruction immediately follows a conditional or unconditional jump
3种 切割结果是上一页

Liveness and Next-Use Information

后续优化时使用

- Calculate liveness and next-use info in a basic block: backward scanning
 - Initialize: for each variable v ,
 - $v.\text{nextUse} = \text{none}$;
 - $v.\text{liveness} = v \text{ is temporary ? false : true}$;
 - For each $i: x = y + z$
 - Attach information of x , y and z to instruction i ;
 - $x.\text{liveness} = \text{false}$; 基本块的出口是否还有再使用
 $x.\text{nextUse} = \text{none}$; 只关注在当前基本块内的情况
 - $y.\text{liveness} = z.\text{liveness} = \text{true}$;
 $y.\text{nextUse} = z.\text{nextUse} = i$;

Conservative.
Global data-flow
analysis in practice

An Example

- Information are stored at the entry of each variables in the symbol table

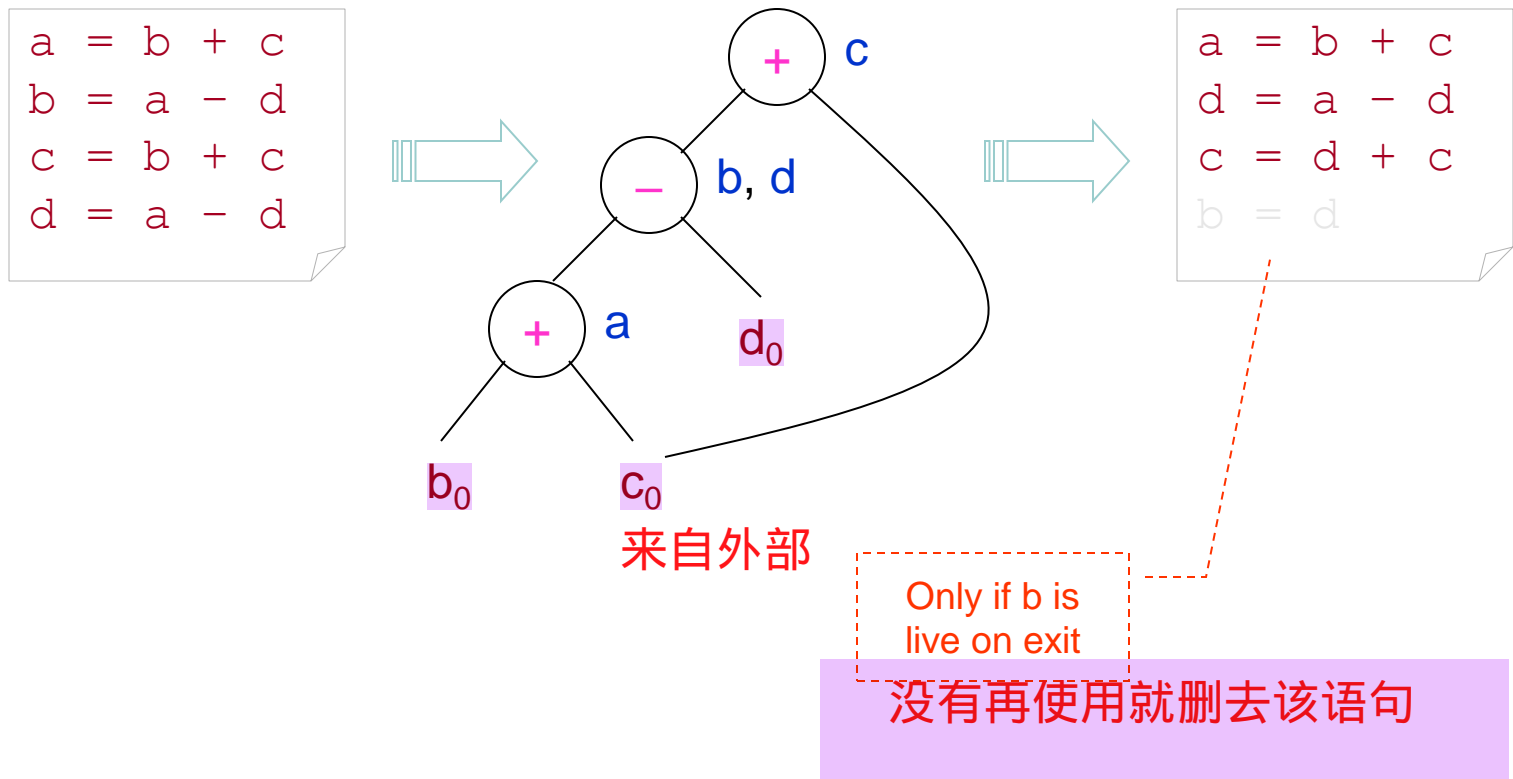


Var.	Next-Use					Liveness				
	Init	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)	Init	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
a	-			(2)	(1)	T			T	T
b	-				(1)	T				T
c	-			(2)		T			T	
d	-	-				T	F			
t	-		(3)		-	F		T		F
u	-	(4)	(3)	-		F	T	T	F	
v	-	(4)	-			F	T	F		

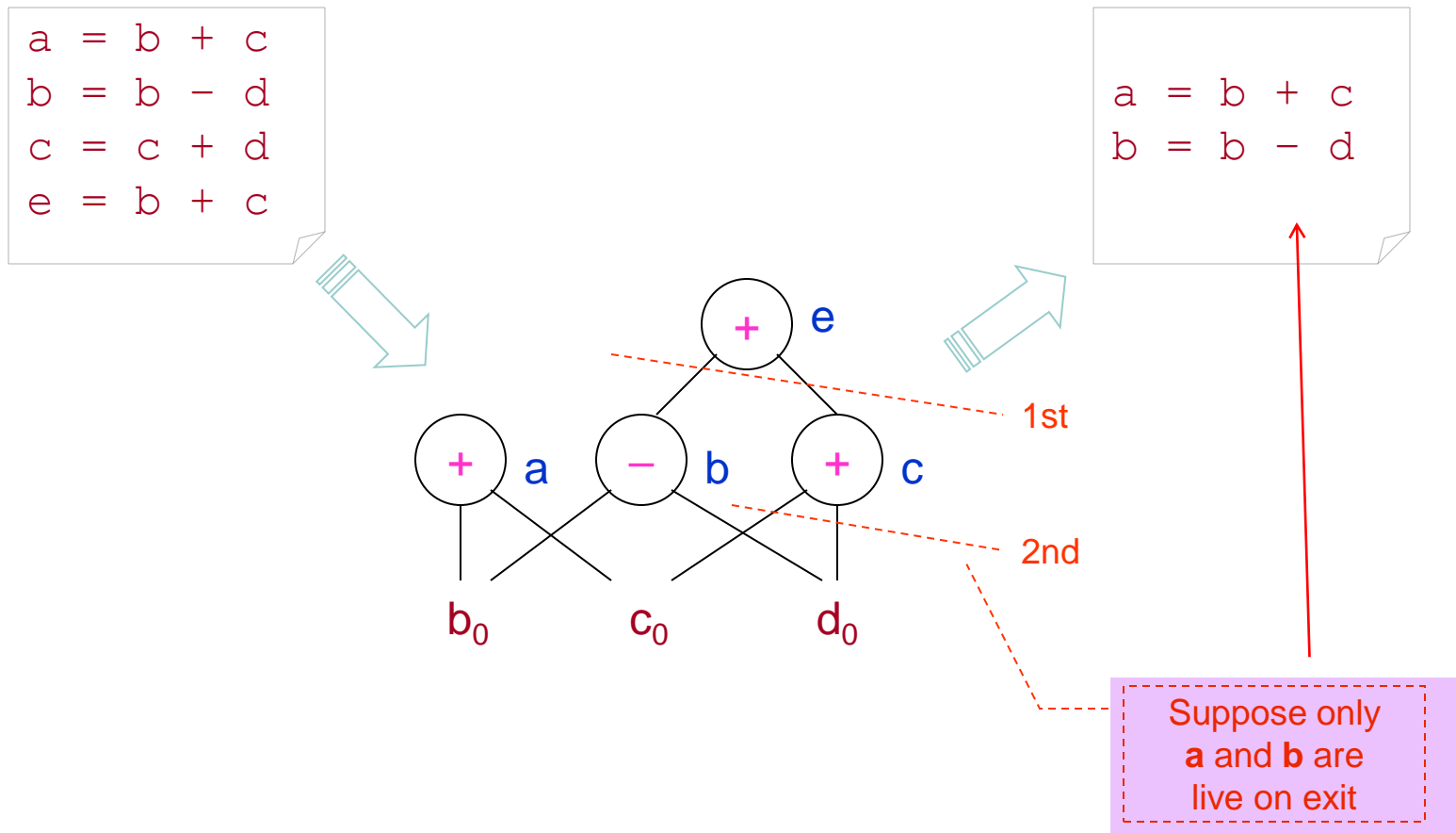
Optimization Based on DAGs

- Perform several code-improving transformations
 - Elimination of local common subexpressions
 - Elimination of dead code
 - Reordering of independent statements
 - Application of algebraic laws

Local Common Subexpressions



Dead Code



Algebraic Identities

部分可以直接替换的等价

- Arithmetic identities

- $x + 0 = 0 + x = x$
- $x * 1 = 1 * x = x$
- $x - 0 = x$
- $x / 1 = x$
- ...

- Local reduction in strength

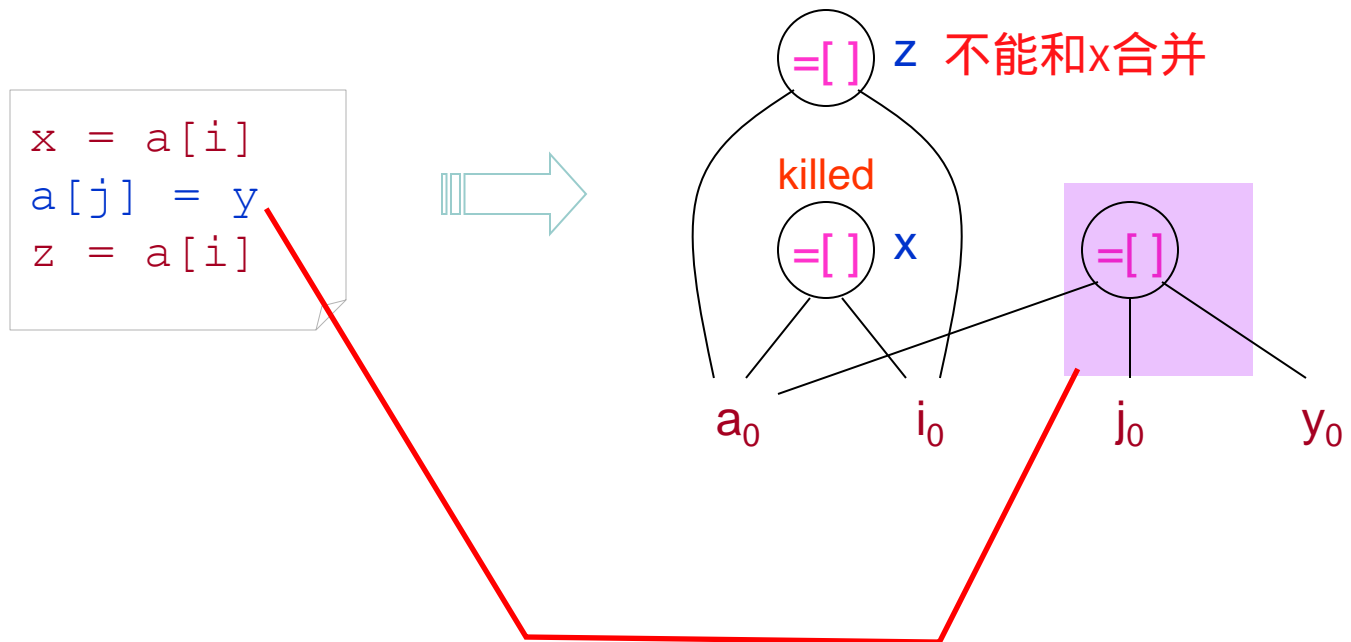
- $2 * x \Rightarrow x + x$
- $x / 2 \Rightarrow x * 0.5$
- ...

换成开销更小的等价语句

- Constant folding

- $2 * 3.14 \Rightarrow 6.28$
- ...

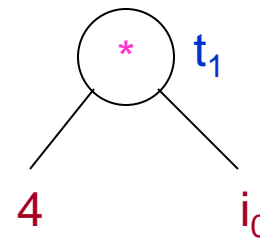
Array References



An Example:

Construction a DAG from a BB (1)

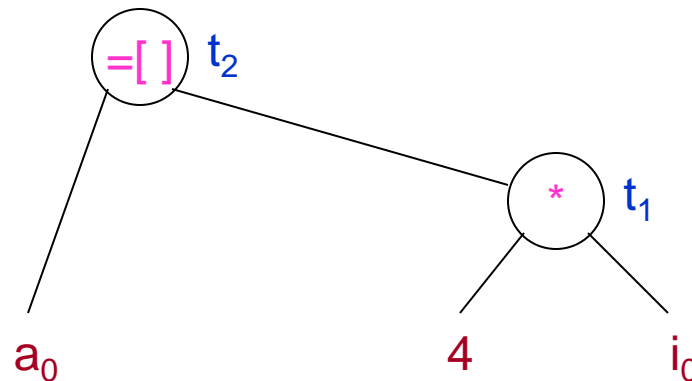
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t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example:

Construction a DAG from a BB (2)

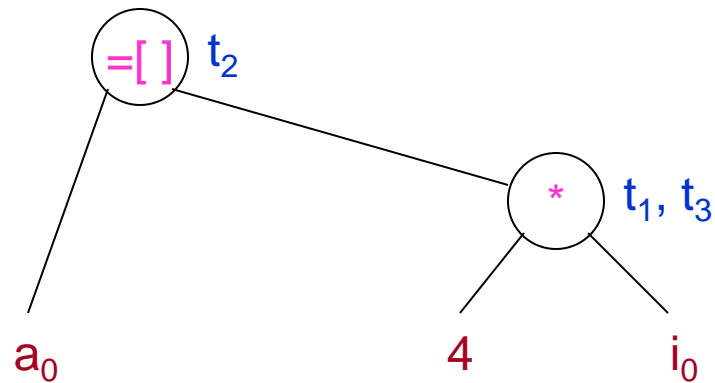
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t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example:

Construction a DAG from a BB (3)

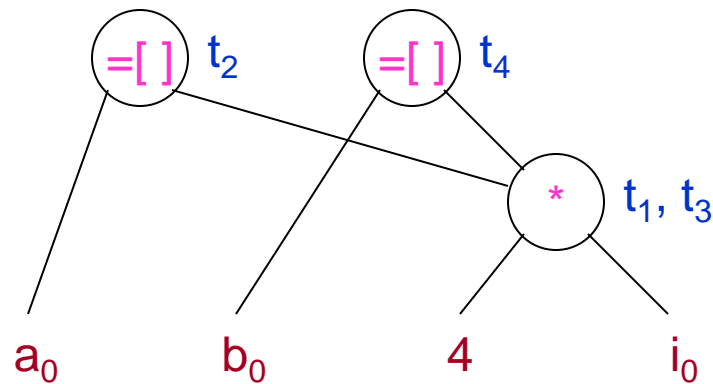
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t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example:

Construction a DAG from a BB (4)

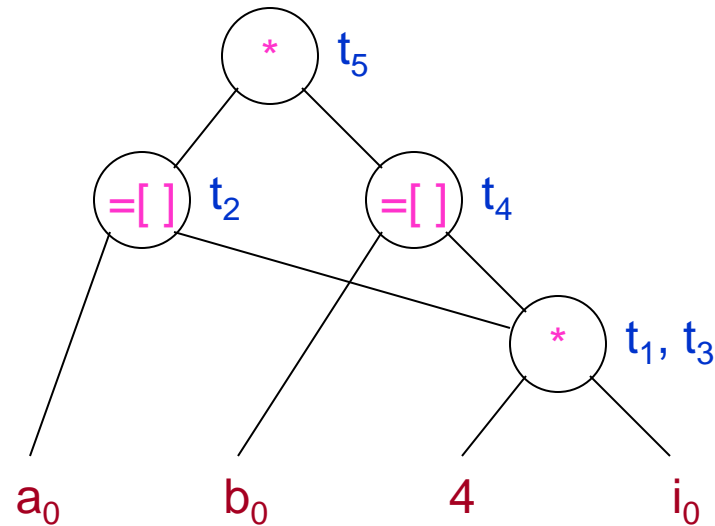
```
t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example:

Construction a DAG from a BB (5)

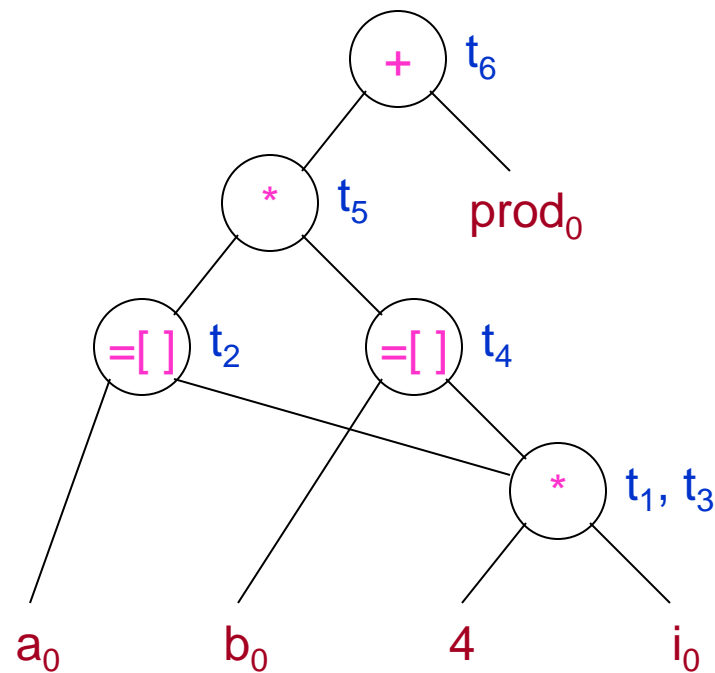
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t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example:

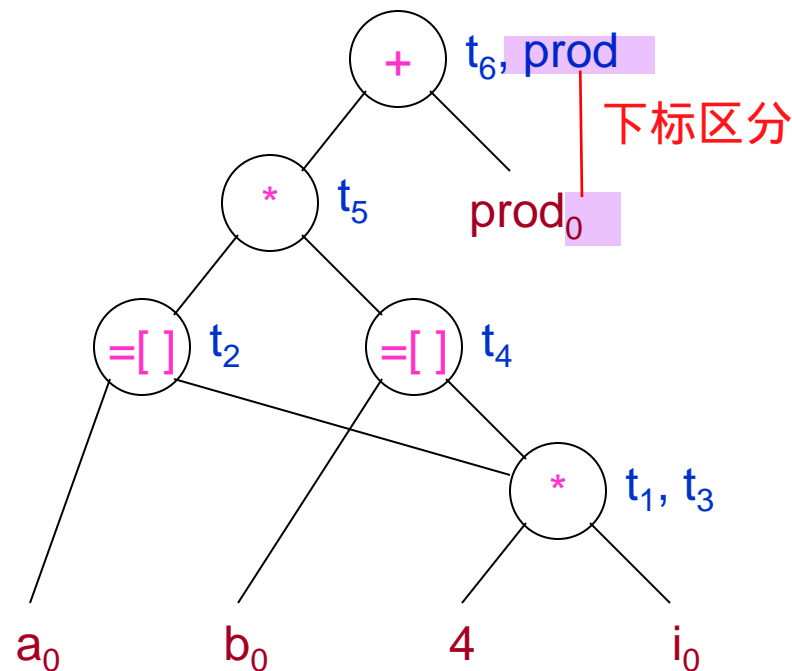
Construction a DAG from a BB (6)

```
t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example: Construction a DAG from a BB (7)

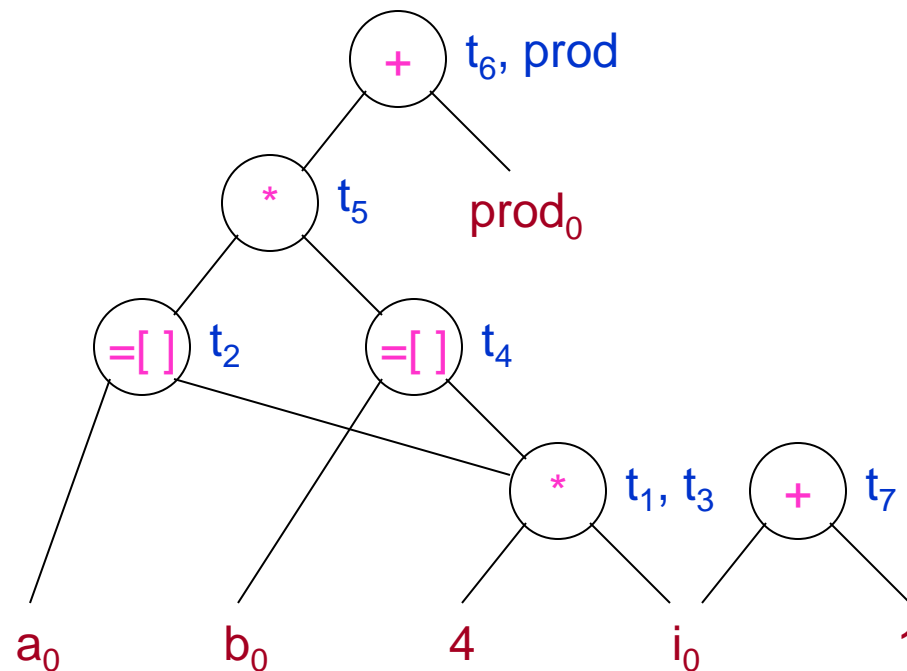
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t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example:

Construction a DAG from a BB (8)

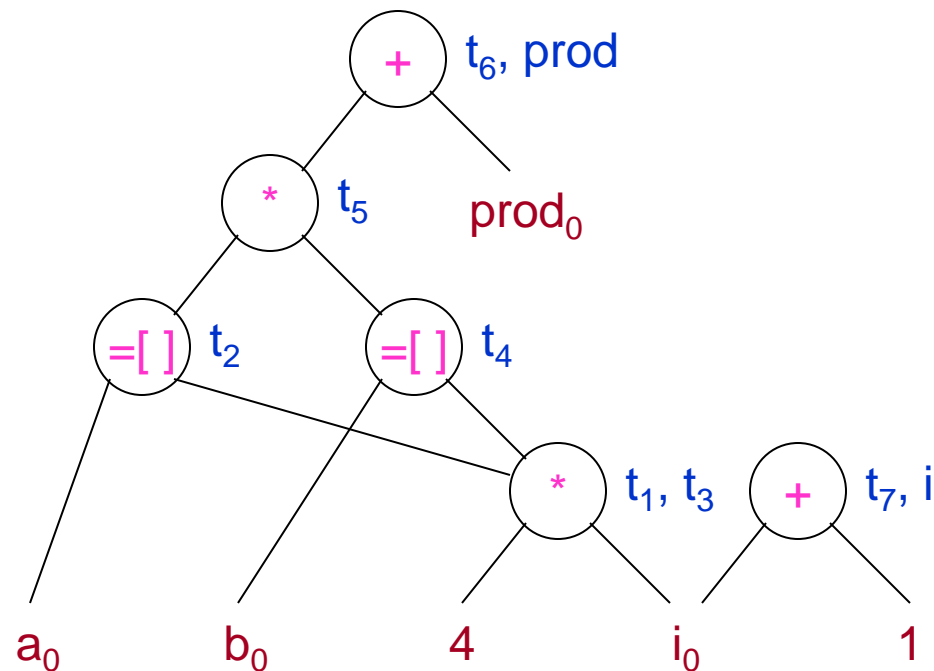
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t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example:

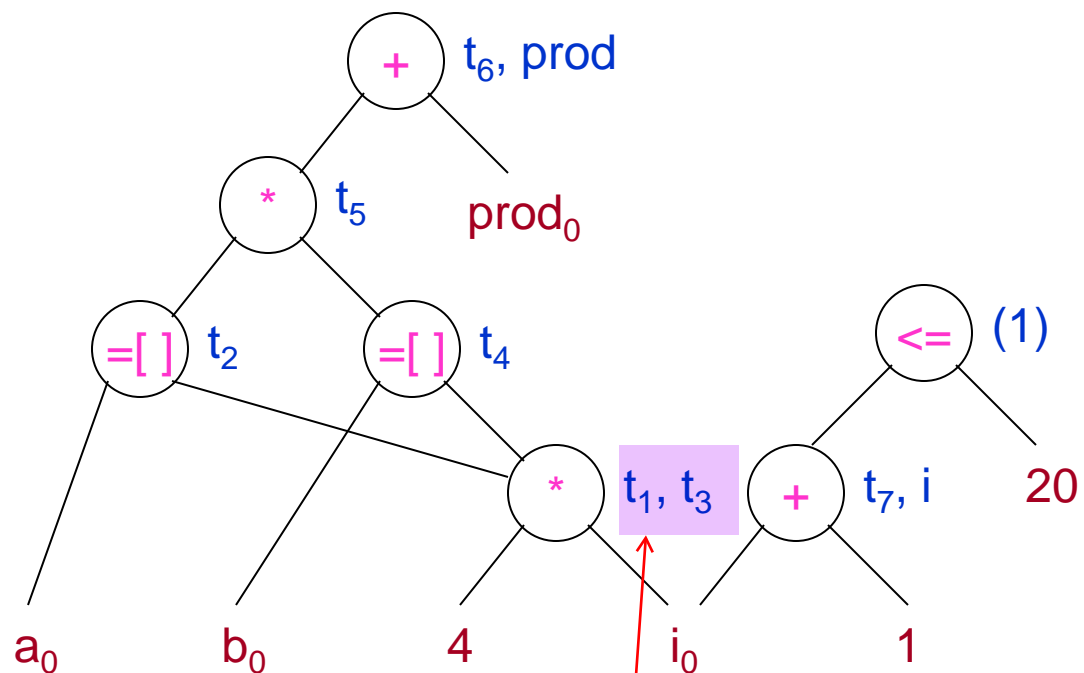
Construction a DAG from a BB (9)

```
t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



An Example: Construction a DAG from a BB (10)

```
t1 = 4 * i  
t2 = a[t1]  
t3 = 4 * i  
t4 = b[t3]  
t5 = t2 * t4  
t6 = t5 + prod  
prod = t6  
t7 = i + 1  
i = t7  
if i <= 20 goto (1)
```



不创建新的变量，直接附着t1

能不能死掉就看变量还有没有用

5. A Simple Code Generator

- What does "simple" mean?
 - Generate code for a single basic block.
- Motivation
 - Make full use of registers to the best advantage.

Storage	Access Cycles	Capability
Registers	1	256-8000 Bytes
Cache	3	256 KB - 1 MB
Main memory	20-100	32 MB - 1 GB
Disk	0.5-5 Mega	10 GB - 1 TB

Compiler

Programmer

编程器

表示数据交流

Register and Address Descriptors

- Register descriptor 记录寄存器内记录的变量内容
 - $\text{RegDesc: Register} \rightarrow 2^{\text{Variable}}$
- Address descriptor 记录变量的地址信息
 - $\text{AddrDesc: Variable} \rightarrow 2^{\text{Location}}$
 - $\text{Location} = \text{Register} \cup \text{Memory}$

Code-Generation Algorithm

- Based on function `getReg(x = y op z)`
 - Select registers for variables in three-address instruction x = y op z.
 - That is R_x , R_y and R_z for x, y and z respectively.
 - Make decisions based on the register descriptor and the address descriptor.

Code-Generation Algorithm (cont')

○ Machine instructions for $x = y + z$

- Call getReg($x = y + z$) to select registers R_x , R_y and R_z for x , y and z .

y不再寄存器内 → **If** $y \notin \text{regDesc}(R_y)$, get some $y' \in \text{addrDesc}(y)$ and issue an instruction: LD R_y, y' .

- **If** $z \notin \text{regDesc}(R_z)$, get some $z' \in \text{addrDesc}(z)$ and issue an instruction: LD R_z, z' .

- Issue an instruction: ADD R_x, R_y, R_z .

- Adjust register and address descriptors.

Code-Generation Algorithm (cont')

- Machine instructions for $x = y$
 - Call `getReg($x = y$)` to select registers R_x and R_y .
 - `getReg()` will always choose the same register for both x and y .
 - **If** $y \notin \text{regDesc}(R_y)$, get some $y' \in \text{addrDesc}(y)$ and issue an instruction: `LD R_y, y'` .
 - Adjust register descriptor: $\text{regDesc}(R_y) \cup = \{x\}$
把 x 并入

spill

英 [spɪl] 美 [spɪl]

v. (使)洒出, 泼出, 溢出; (东西)倒出, 洒落; 涌出, 蜂拥而出; (光线)透进, 倾泻在.....上; 向(某人)说出秘密; 使(某人)从马上(或自行车上)摔下来; (球赛中)掉球; (航海)减少(帆)的受风压力(多指把帆放松)

n. 洒出(量), 溢出(量); (从马、自行车上等的)摔下, 跌下; <澳>职位空缺; (点火用的)纸捻, 本片; 小塞子

- Input: $x = y + z$
- Output: R_x , R_y and R_z
- Algorithm (use R_y as an example)
 - **if** y in some registers, pick R_y in them.
 - **elseif** there is empty registers, pick one as R_y .
 - **elseif** { let R be a candidate and R holds v ,
foreach v check:
 - **if** $\text{addrDesc}(v)$ has other location, R is OK.
 - **elseif** $v == x$ **and** $x != z$, R is OK.
 - **elseif** v is not used later, R is OK.
 - ~~**else**~~ **spill**, i.e. issue ST v , R .
 - choose the R with minimal spills }.

检查过程

计算每个候选 R 的“费用”
(需要生成的保存指令的
个数), 选择费用最低的
寄存器(或之一)

6. Peephole Optimization

- A simple but effective technique for locally code improvement
 - Examine a sliding window (peephole) of target instructions.
 - Replace instruction sequence within the peephole by a shorter or faster sequence.

Eliminating Redundant Loads and Stores

○ Examples

- LD R0, a
ST a, R0
// eliminated

Eliminating Unreachable Code

○ Examples

- if debug == 1 goto L1
goto L2
L1: print debugging information
L2:
if debug != 1 goto L2
print debugging information
L2:

Flow-of-Control Optimizations

○ Examples

- goto L1
...
L1: goto L2
goto L2
...
L1: goto L2
- if a < b goto L1
...
L1: goto L2
if a < b goto L2
...
L1: goto L2

Recall the translation scheme of flow-of-control statements!

Algebraic Simplification and Reduction in Strength

○ Examples

- $x = x + 0$
// eliminated
- $x = x * 1$
// eliminated
- $y = x * 2$
 $y = x \ll 1$
- $y = x * 4$
 $y = x \ll 2$

Further Reading

- Dragon Book, 2nd Edition (DBv2)
 - Comprehensive Reading:
 - Section 8.1-8.2 on introduction to code generation and abstraction of target machines.
 - Section 8.3 on implementation of procedures.
 - Section 8.4-8.5 on DAG-based block optimization.
 - Section 8.6 on a simple code generator.
 - Skip Reading:
 - Section 8.7 on peephole optimization.
 - Section 8.8-8.11 on more advanced topics.

Enjoy the Course!

