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Chapter 4: Intermediate-Code Generation

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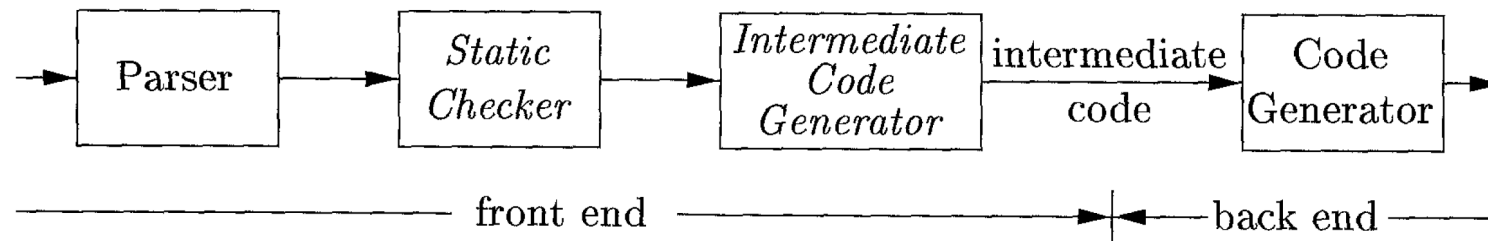
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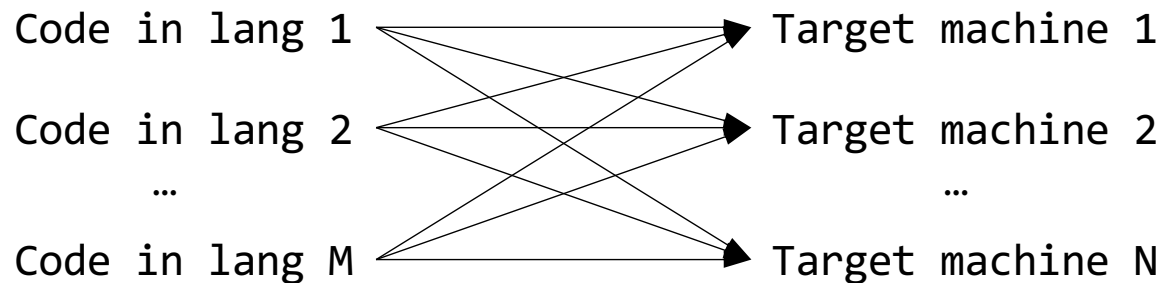
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Compiler Front End

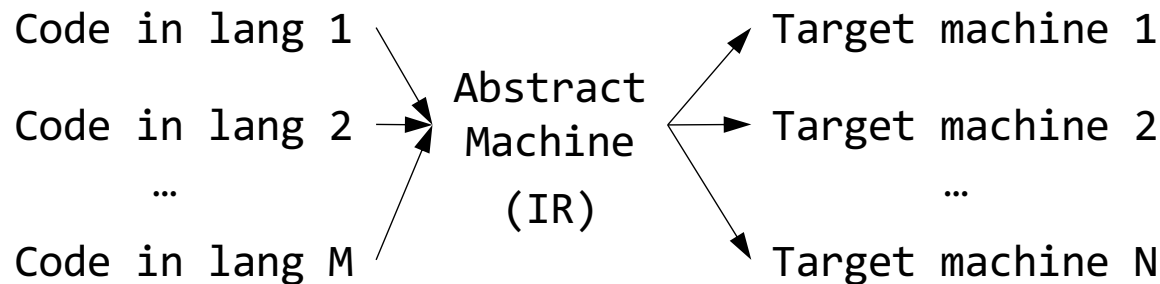
- The front end of a compiler **analyzes a source program** and **creates an intermediate representation (IR, 中间表示)**, from which the back end generates target code
 - Details of the source language are confined to the front end, and details of the target machine to the back end



The Benefits of A Common IR

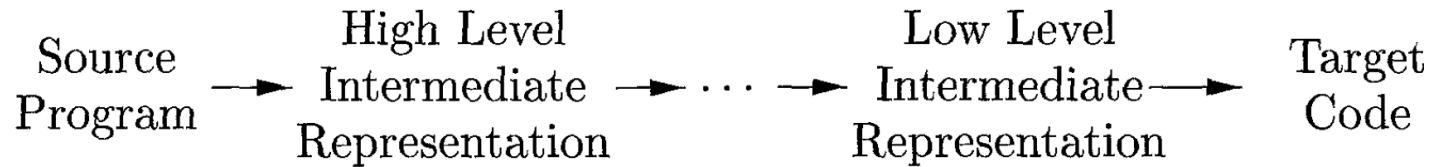


$M * N$ compilers
without a common IR



$M + N$ compilers
with a common IR

Different Levels of IRs



- A compiler may construct a sequence of IR's
 - **High-level IR's** like syntax trees are close to the source language
 - They are suitable for machine-independent tasks like static type checking
 - **Low-level IR's** are close to the target machines
 - They are suitable for machine-dependent tasks like register allocation and instruction selection
- **Interesting fact:** C is often used as an intermediate form. The first C++ compiler has a front end that generates C and a C compiler as a backend.

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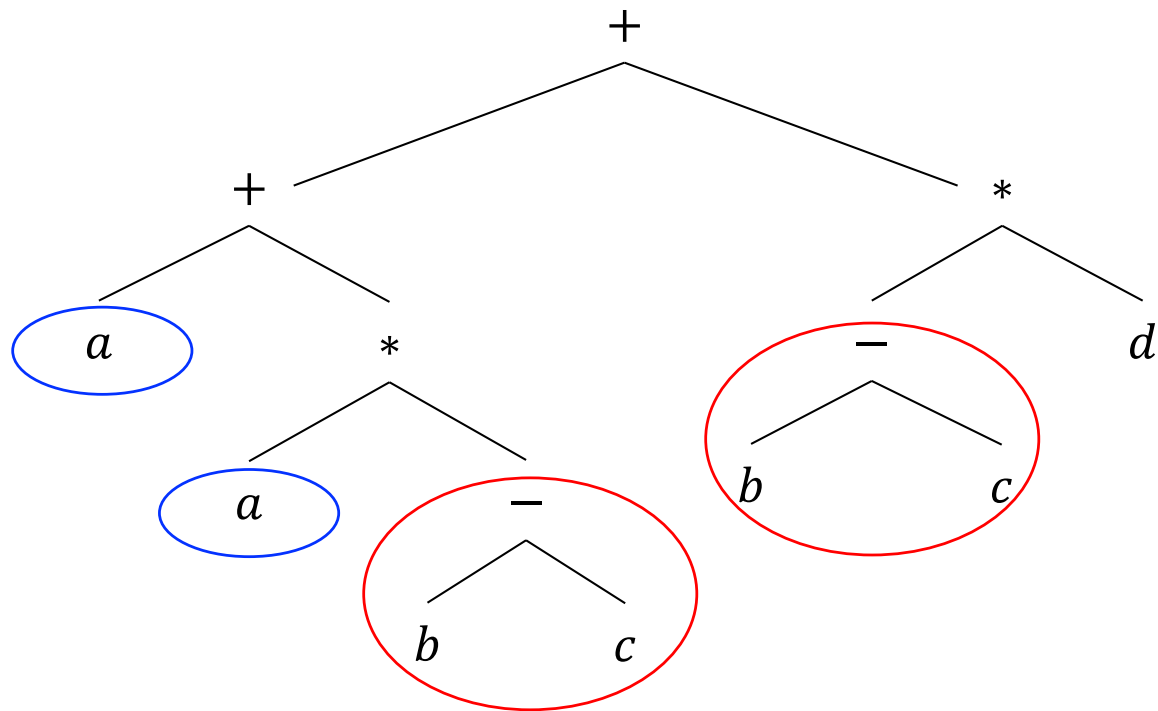
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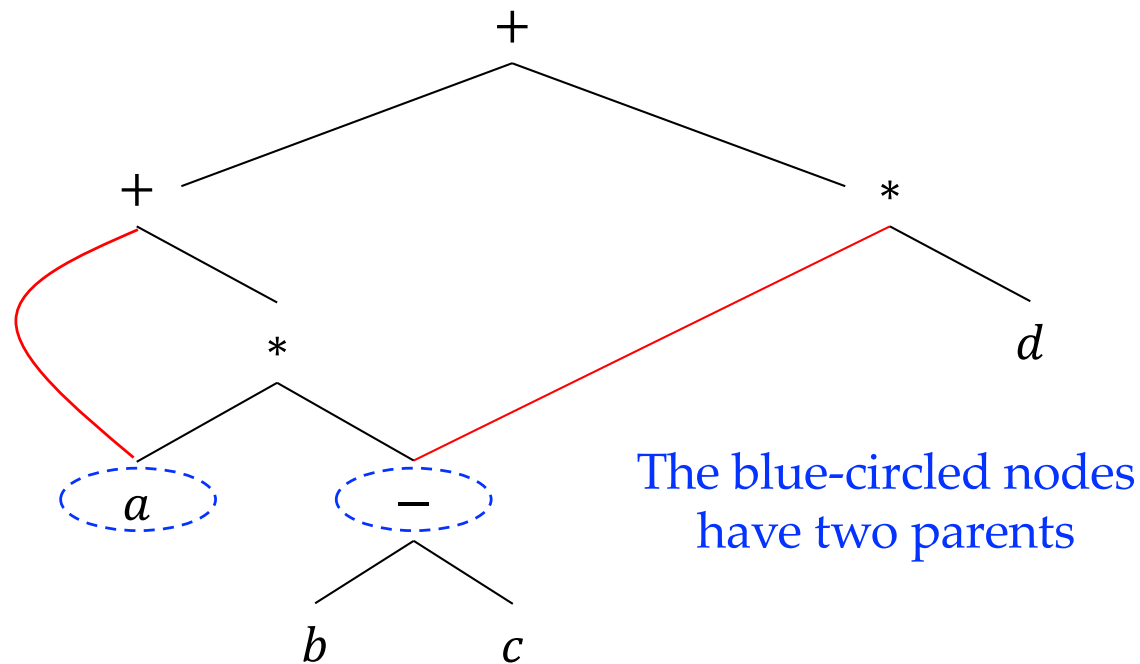
DAG's for Expressions

- In a syntax tree, the tree for a **common subexpression** would be **replicated** as many times as the subexpression appears
 - Example: $a + a * (b - c) + (b - c) * d$



DAG's for Expressions Cont.

- A *directed acyclic graph* (DAG, 有向无环图) identifies the common subexpressions and represents expressions succinctly
 - Example: $a + a * (b - c) + (b - c) * d$



Constructing DAG's

- DAG's can be constructed by the same SDD that constructs syntax trees
- **The difference:** When constructing DAG's, a new node is created if and only if there is no existing identical node

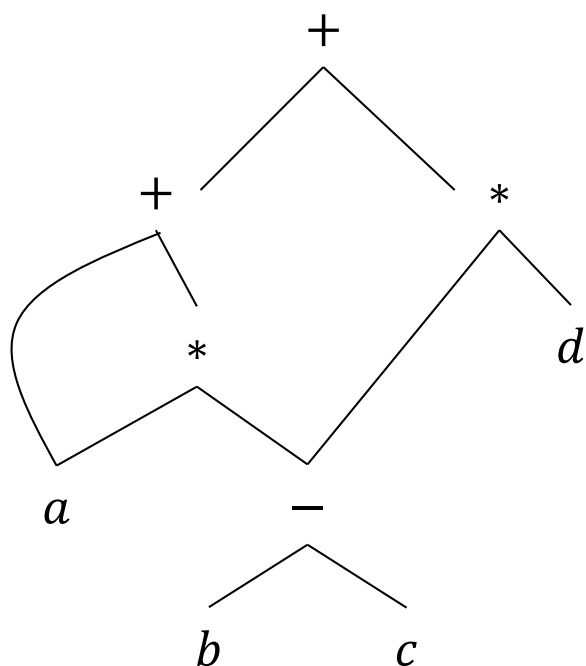
PRODUCTION	SEMANTIC RULES
1) $E \rightarrow E_1 + T$	$E.node = \text{new Node}('+', E_1.node, T.node)$
2) $E \rightarrow E_1 - T$	$E.node = \text{new Node}('-', E_1.node, T.node)$
3) $E \rightarrow T$	$E.node = T.node$
4) $T \rightarrow (E)$	$T.node = E.node$
5) $T \rightarrow \text{id}$	$T.node = \text{new Leaf}(\text{id}, \text{id.entry})$
6) $T \rightarrow \text{num}$	$T.node = \text{new Leaf}(\text{num}, \text{num.val})$

Special "new":

Reuse existing nodes
when possible

Constructing DAG's Cont.

- The construction steps $a + a * (b - c) + (b - c) * d$



- 1) $p_1 = \text{Leaf}(\text{id}, \text{entry-}a)$
 - 2) $p_2 = \text{Leaf}(\text{id}, \text{entry-}a) = p_1$
 - 3) $p_3 = \text{Leaf}(\text{id}, \text{entry-}b)$
 - 4) $p_4 = \text{Leaf}(\text{id}, \text{entry-}c)$
 - 5) $p_5 = \text{Node}('-', p_3, p_4)$
 - 6) $p_6 = \text{Node}('*', p_1, p_5)$
 - 7) $p_7 = \text{Node}('+', p_1, p_6)$
 - 8) $p_8 = \text{Leaf}(\text{id}, \text{entry-}b) = p_3$
 - 9) $p_9 = \text{Leaf}(\text{id}, \text{entry-}c) = p_4$
 - 10) $p_{10} = \text{Node}('-', p_3, p_4) = p_5$
 - 11) $p_{11} = \text{Leaf}(\text{id}, \text{entry-}d)$
 - 12) $p_{12} = \text{Node}('*', p_5, p_{11})$
 - 13) $p_{13} = \text{Node}('+', p_7, p_{12})$
- Node reuse

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Three-Address Code (三地址代码)

- In three-address code, there is **at most one operator** on the right side of an instruction
 - Instructions are often in the form $x = y \text{ op } z$
- **Operands** (or addresses) can be:
 - **Names** in the source programs
 - **Constants**: a compiler must deal with many types of constants
 - **Temporary names** generated by a compiler

Instructions (1)

1. **Assignment instructions:**
 - $x = y \text{ op } z$, where op is a binary arithmetic/logical operation
 - $x = \text{op } y$, where op is a unary operation
2. **Copy instructions:** $x = y$
3. **Unconditional jump instructions:** $\text{goto } L$, where L is a label of the jump target
4. **Conditional jump instructions:**
 - $\text{if } x \text{ goto } L$
 - $\text{ifFalse } x \text{ goto } L$
 - $\text{if } x \text{ relop } y \text{ goto } L$

Instructions (2)

5. Procedural calls and returns

- param x_1
- ...
- param x_n
- call p, n (procedure call)
- $y = \text{call } p, n$ (function call)
- return y

6. Indexed copy instructions: $x = y[i]$ $x[i] = y$

- Here, $y[i]$ means the value in the location i memory units beyond location y

Instructions (3)

7. Address and pointer assignment instructions:

- $x = \&y$ (set the r-value of x to be the l-value of y)
- $x = *y$ (set the r-value of x to be the content stored at the location pointed to by y ; y is a pointer whose r-value is a location)
- $*x = y$ (set the r-value of the object pointed to by x to the r-value of y)

A variable has l-value and r-value:

- **L-value (location)** refers to the memory location, which identifies an object.
- **R-value (content)** refers to data value stored at some address in memory.

Example

- Source code: `do i = i + 1; while (a[i] < v);`

L:	<code>t₁ = i + 1</code>
	<code>i = t₁</code>
	<code>t₂ = i * 8</code>
	<code>t₃ = a [t₂]</code>
	<code>if t₃ < v goto L</code>

(a) Symbolic labels.

100:	<code>t₁ = i + 1</code>
101:	<code>i = t₁</code>
102:	<code>t₂ = i * 8</code>
103:	<code>t₃ = a [t₂]</code>
104:	<code>if t₃ < v goto 100</code>

(b) Position numbers.

Assuming each array element takes 8 units of space

Representation of Instructions

- In a compiler, three-address instructions can be implemented as **objects/records** with fields for the operator and the operands
- Three typical representations:
 - **Quadruples** (四元式表示方法)
 - **Triples** (三元式表示方法)
 - **Indirect triples** (间接三元式表示方法)

Quadruples (四元式)

- A *quadruple* has four fields
 - General form: *op arg₁ arg₂ result*
 - *op* contains an *internal code* for the operator
 - *arg₁, arg₂, result* are *addresses* (operands)
 - Example: $x = y + z \rightarrow + \quad y \quad z \quad x$
- Some exceptions:
 - **Unary operators** like $x = \text{minus } y$ or $x = y$ do not use *arg₂*
 - **param operators** use neither *arg₂* nor *result*
 - **Conditional/unconditional jumps** put the target label in *result*

Quadruples Example

- Assignment statement: $a = b * -c + b * -c$

		<i>op</i>	<i>arg₁</i>	<i>arg₂</i>	<i>result</i>
$t_1 = \text{minus } c$	0	minus	c		t_1
$t_2 = b * t_1$	1	*	b	t_1	t_2
$t_3 = \text{minus } c$	2	minus	c		t_3
$t_4 = b * t_3$	3	*	b	t_3	t_4
$t_5 = t_2 + t_4$	4	+	t_2	t_4	t_5
$a = t_5$	5	=	t_5		a
			...		

} Temporaries

(a) Three-address code

(b) Quadruples

The result field is used primarily for temporary names.
Temporary names waste space (symbol table entries)

Triples (三元式)

- A *triple* has only three fields: op , arg_1 , arg_2
- We refer to the result of an operation $x \text{ op } y$ by its position without generating temporary names (an *optimization* over quadruples)

t_1	=	minus	c
t_2	=	b	* t_1
t_3	=	minus	c
t_4	=	b	* t_3
t_5	=	t_2	+ t_4
a	=	t_5	

Three-address code

	op	arg ₁	arg ₂	result
0	minus	c		t_1
1	*	b	t_1	t_2
2	minus	c		t_3
3	*	b	t_3	t_4
4	+	t_2	t_4	t_5
5	=	t_5		a
...				

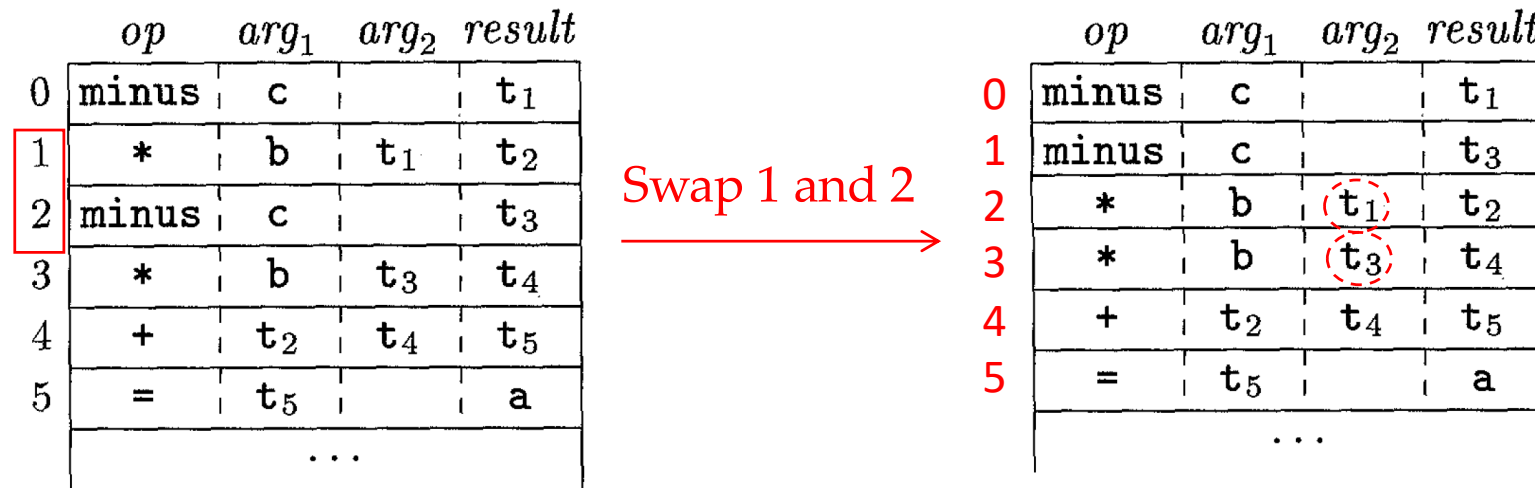
Quadruples

	op	arg ₁	arg ₂
0	minus	c	
1	*	b	(0) ←
2	minus	c	
3	*	b	(2)
4	+	(1)	(3)
5	=	a	(4)
...			

Triples

Quadruples vs. Triples

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Quadruples' advantage

The instructions that use *t*₁ and *t*₃ are not affected

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2	minus	c	
3	*	b	(2)
4	+	(1)	(3)
5	=	a	(4)
	...		

Swap 1 and 2
→

	<i>op</i>	<i>arg₁</i>	<i>arg₂</i>
0	minus	c	
1	minus	c	
2	*	b	(0)
3	*	b	(2)
4	+	(1)	(3)
5	=	a	(4)
	...		

Are they still
correct after
swapping?

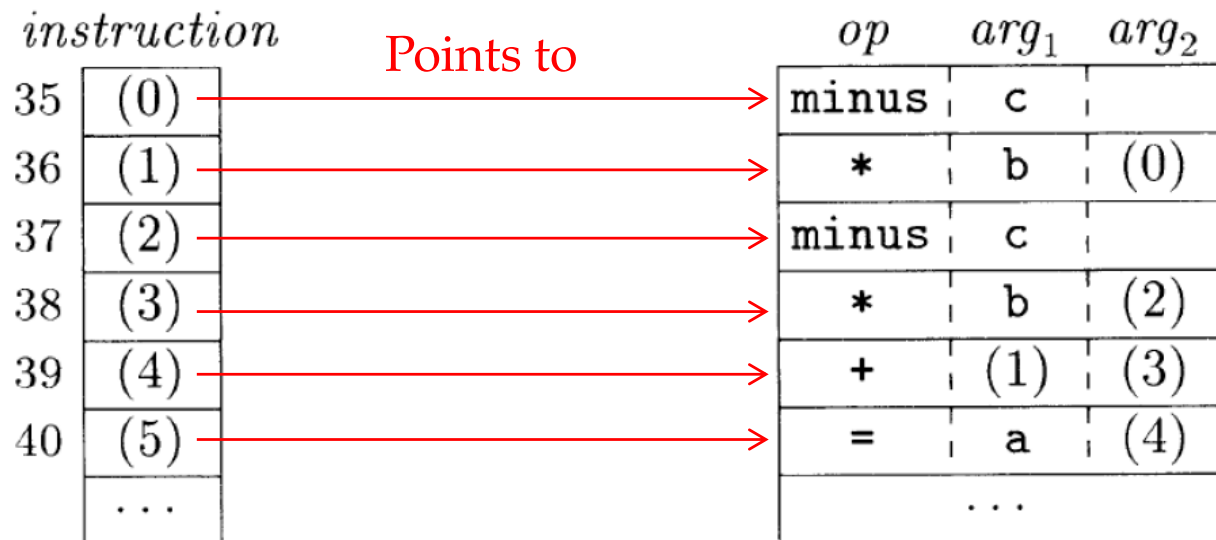
$b * -c$
 $-c$

Triples' problem

The instructions now refer to wrong results; The positions need to be updated.

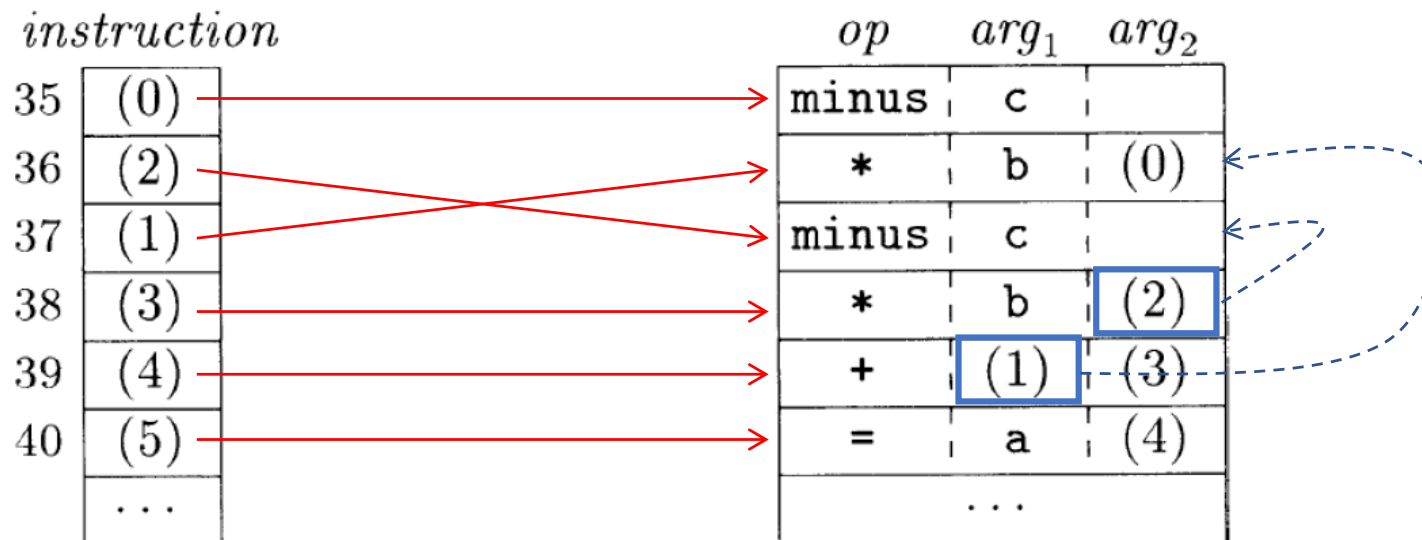
Indirect Triples (间接三元式)

- *Indirect triples* consist of a list of **pointers** to triples



Indirect Triples (间接三元式)

- An optimization can move an instruction by reordering the *instruction* list



Swapping pointers!

The triples are not affected.

Static Single-Assignment Form

- **Static single-assignment** form (**SSA**, 静态单赋值形式) is an IR that facilitates certain code optimizations
- In SSA, each name receives **a single assignment**

```
p = a + b
q = p - c
p = q * d
p = e - p
q = p + q
```

```
p1 = a + b
q1 = p1 - c
p2 = q1 * d
p3 = e - p2
q2 = p3 + q1
```

(a) Three-address code. (b) Static single-assignment form.

Static Single-Assignment Form

- The same variable may be defined in two control-flow paths

```
if ( flag ) x = -1; else x = 1;  
y = x * a;
```

x_1 x_2

Which name should we use in $y = x * a$?

Static Single-Assignment Form

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```

- SSA uses a notational convention called ϕ -function to combine the two definitions of x

```
if ( flag ) x1 = -1; else x2 = 1;  
x3 =  $\phi(x_1, x_2)$ ; // x1 if control flow passes through the true path; x2 otherwise  
y = x3 * a;
```

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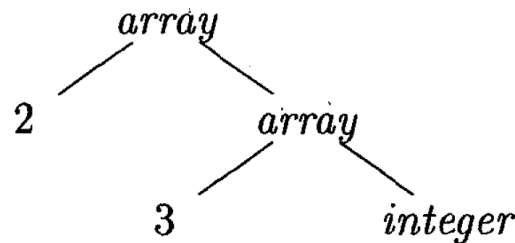
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Types and Type Checking

- *Data type* or simply *type* tells a compiler how the programmers intend to use the data
- The usefulness of type information
 - Find faults in the source code
 - Determine the storage needed for a name at runtime
 - Calculate the address of an array element
 - Insert type conversions
 - Choose the right version of some arithmetic operator (e.g., fadd, iadd)
- *Type checking* (类型检查) uses logical rules to make sure that the types of the operands match the type expectation by an operator

Type Expressions (类型表达式)

- **Types have structures**, which can be represented by *type expressions*
 - A type expression is either a basic type, or
 - Formed by applying a *type constructor* (类型构造算子) to a type expression
- ***array(2, array(3, integer))*** is the type expression for `int[2][3]`
 - ***array*** is a type constructor with two arguments: a number, a type expression



The Definition of Type Expression

- A basic type is a type expression
 - *boolean, char, integer, float, and void, ...*
- A type name (e.g., name of a class) is a type expression
- A type expression can be formed
 - By applying the *array* type constructor to a number and a type expression
 - By applying the *record* type constructor to the field names and their types
 - By applying the \rightarrow type constructor for function types
- If s and t are type expressions, then their Cartesian product $s \times t$ is a type expression (this is introduced for completeness, can be used to represent a list of types such as function parameters)
- Type expressions may contain type variables (e.g., those generated by compilers) whose values are type expressions

Type Equivalence

- Type checking rules usually have the following form

If two type expressions are equivalent
then return a given type
else return **type_error**

Code under analysis:
`a + b`

- The key is to define when two type expressions are equivalent
 - **The main difficulty** arises from the fact that most modern languages allow the naming of user-defined types
 - In C/C++, type naming is achieved by the `typedef` statement

Name Equivalence (名等价)

- Treat named types as basic types; **names in type expressions are not replaced** by the exact type expressions they define
- Two type expressions are name equivalent if and only if **they are identical** (represented by the same syntax tree, with the same labels)

```
typedef struct {  
    int data[100];  
    int count;  
} Stack;
```

```
typedef struct {  
    int data[100];  
    int count;  
} Set;
```

Code under analysis:

Stack x, y;

Set r, s;

x = y; ✓

r = s; ✓

x = r; ✗

<http://web.eecs.utk.edu/~bvanderz/teaching/cs365Sp14/notes/types.html>

Structural Equivalence (结构等价)

- For named types, replace the names by the type expressions and recursively check the substituted trees

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Declarations (变量声明)

- The grammar below deals with basic, array, and record types
 - Nonterminal *D* generates a sequence of declarations
 - *T* generates basic, array, or record types
 - A record type is a sequence of declarations for the fields of the record, surrounded by curly braces
 - *B* generates one of the basic types: *int* and *float*
 - *C* generates sequences of zero or more integers, each surrounded by brackets

$$\begin{aligned} D &\rightarrow T \text{ id } ; D \mid \epsilon \\ T &\rightarrow B C \mid \text{record } \{ D \} \\ B &\rightarrow \text{int} \mid \text{float} \\ C &\rightarrow \epsilon \mid [\text{num}] C \end{aligned}$$

Storage Layout for Local Names

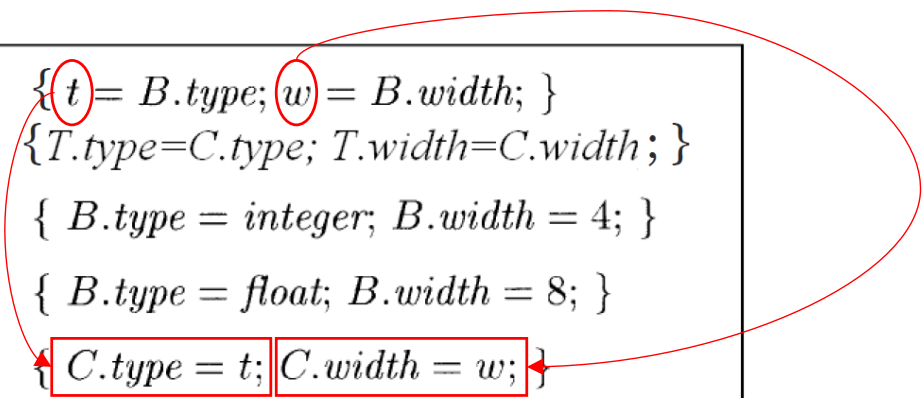
(局部变量的存储布局)

- From the type of a name, we can decide the amount of memory needed for the name at run time
 - The *width* (宽度) of a type: # memory units needed for an object of the type
 - For data of varying lengths, such as strings, or whose size cannot be determined until run time, such as dynamic arrays, we only reserve a fixed amount of memory for a pointer to the data
- For **local names of a function**, we always assign contiguous bytes*
 - For each such name, at compile time, we can compute a **relative address**
 - Type information and relative addresses are stored in **symbol table**

* This follows the principle of proximity and is mainly for performance considerations.

An SDT for Computing Types and Their Widths

- **Synthesized attributes:** *type, width*
- Global variables *t* and *w* pass type and width information from a *B* node in a parse tree to the node for the production $C \rightarrow \epsilon$
 - In an SDD, *t* and *w* would be *C*'s **inherited attributes** (the SDD is L-attributed)*



$T \rightarrow B$	$\{ t = B.type; w = B.width; \}$
C	$\{ T.type = C.type; T.width = C.width; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{int}$	$\{ B.type = \text{integer}; B.width = 4; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{float}$	$\{ B.type = \text{float}; B.width = 8; \}$
$C \rightarrow \epsilon$	$\{ C.type = t; C.width = w; \}$
$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$	$\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$ $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$

This SDT can be implemented during recursive-descent parsing

Translation During Recursive-Descent Parsing

- It is possible to **extend a recursive-descent parser to implement L-attributed SDD's**.
 - Recall that a recursive-decent parser has a function A for each nonterminal A

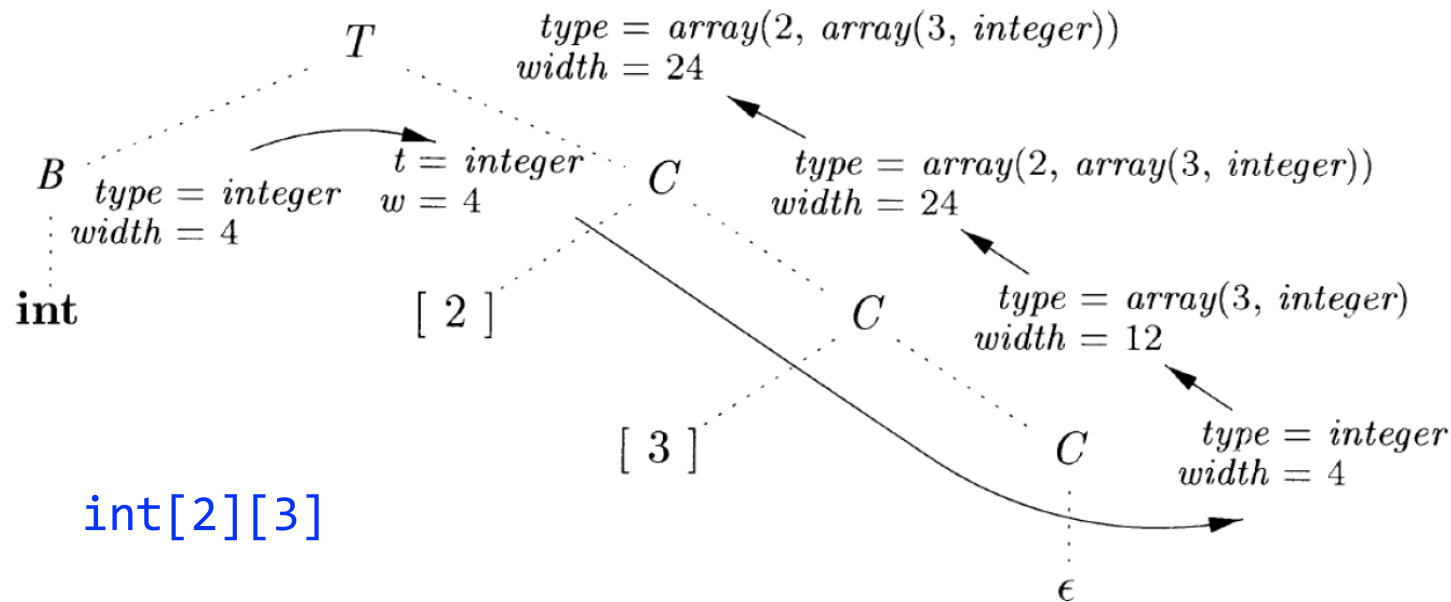
```
void A() {  
1)   Choose an  $A$ -production,  $A \rightarrow X_1X_2 \cdots X_k$ ;  
2)   for (  $i = 1$  to  $k$  ) {  
3)       if (  $X_i$  is a nonterminal )  
4)           call procedure  $X_i()$ ;  
5)       else if (  $X_i$  equals the current input symbol  $a$  )  
6)           advance the input to the next symbol;  
7)       else /* an error has occurred */;  
    }  
}
```

Translation During Recursive-Descent Parsing

- Generally, we can extend a recursive-descent parser to implement L-attributed SDD's as follows:
 - A recursive-decent parser has a function A for each nonterminal A
 - Use the arguments of function A to pass A 's **inherited attributes** so that children nodes on the parse tree can use the attributes
 - Return the **synthesized attributes** of A when the function A completes so that parent node on the parse tree can use the attributes
- With the above extension, in the body of the function A , we need to both **parse** and **handle attributes**

Translation Process Example

- Translation during recursive-descent parsing
 - Use the arguments of function $A()$ to pass nonterminal A 's **inherited attributes***
 - Evaluate and Return the **synthesized attributes** of A when the $A()$ completes

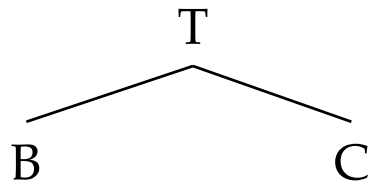


* In our example, we use global variables t and w

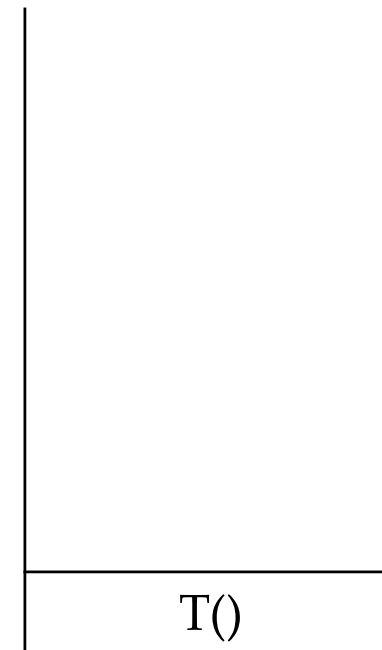
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Input string: `int[2][3]`



Step 1: Rewrite T using $T \rightarrow BC$

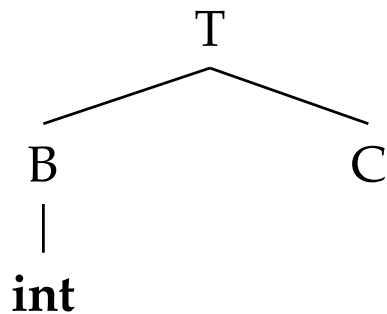


Call stack

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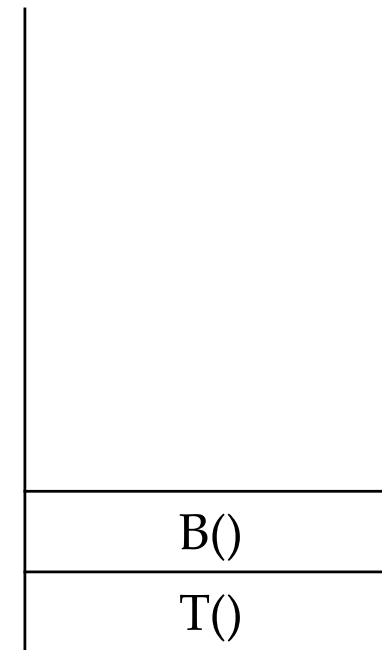
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Step 2:

- Rewrite B using $B \rightarrow \text{int}$
- Match input

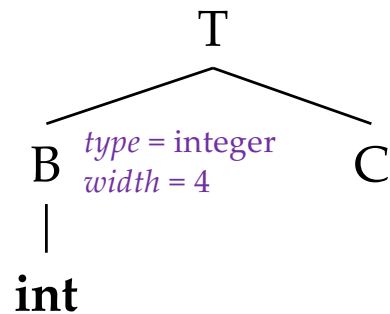


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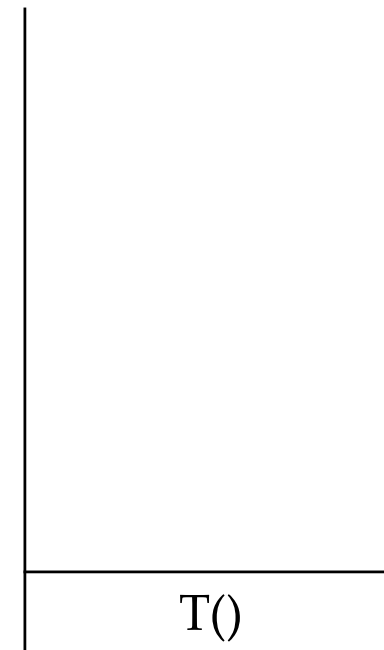
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Step 3:

- B() returns
- Execute semantic action

$B \rightarrow \text{int} \quad \{ B.type = \text{integer}; B.width = 4; \}$



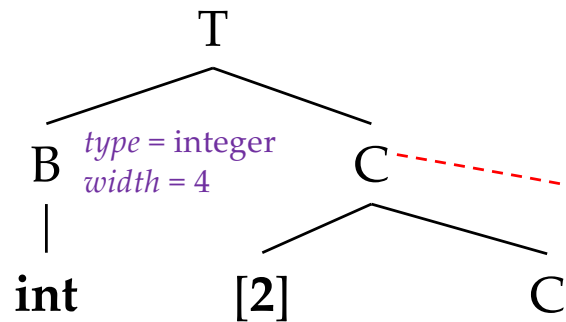
Call stack

Translation Process Example

$T \rightarrow B$	$\{ t = B.type; w = B.width; \}$
C	$\{ T.type = C.type; T.width = C.width; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{int}$	$\{ B.type = \text{integer}; B.width = 4; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{float}$	$\{ B.type = \text{float}; B.width = 8; \}$
$C \rightarrow \epsilon$	$\{ C.type = t; C.width = w; \}$
$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$	$\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$ $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$

Input string: `int[2][3]`

$t = \text{integer}$
 $w = 4$

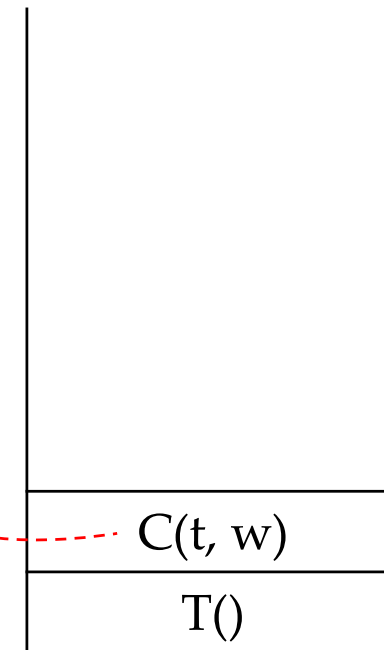


Step 4:

- Execute semantic action
- Rewrite C using $C \rightarrow [\text{num}]C$
- Match input

$T \rightarrow B$
 C

$\{ t = B.type; w = B.width; \}$
 $\{ T.type = C.type; T.width = C.width; \}$



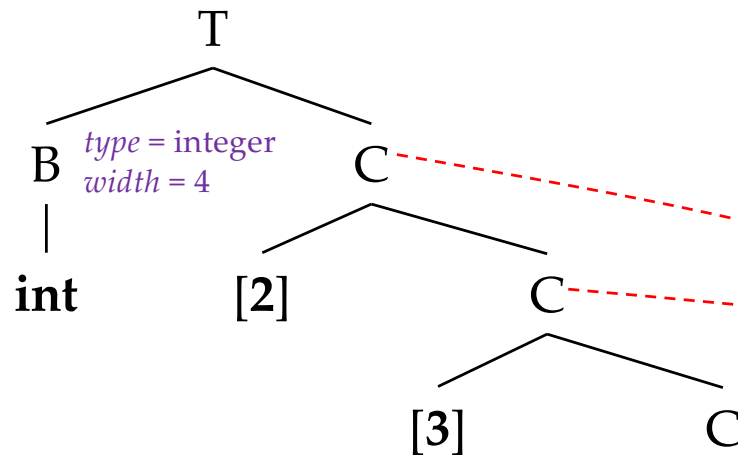
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Translation Process Example

Input string: `int[2][3]`

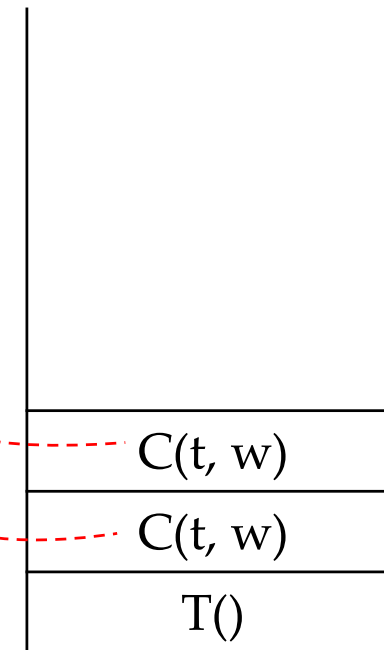
$t = \text{integer}$
 $w = 4$

$T \rightarrow B$	$\{ t = B.type; w = B.width; \}$
C	$\{ T.type = C.type; T.width = C.width; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{int}$	$\{ B.type = \text{integer}; B.width = 4; \}$
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$C \rightarrow \epsilon$	$\{ C.type = t; C.width = w; \}$
$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$	$\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$ $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$



Step 5:

- Rewrite C using $C \rightarrow [\text{num}]C$
- Match input



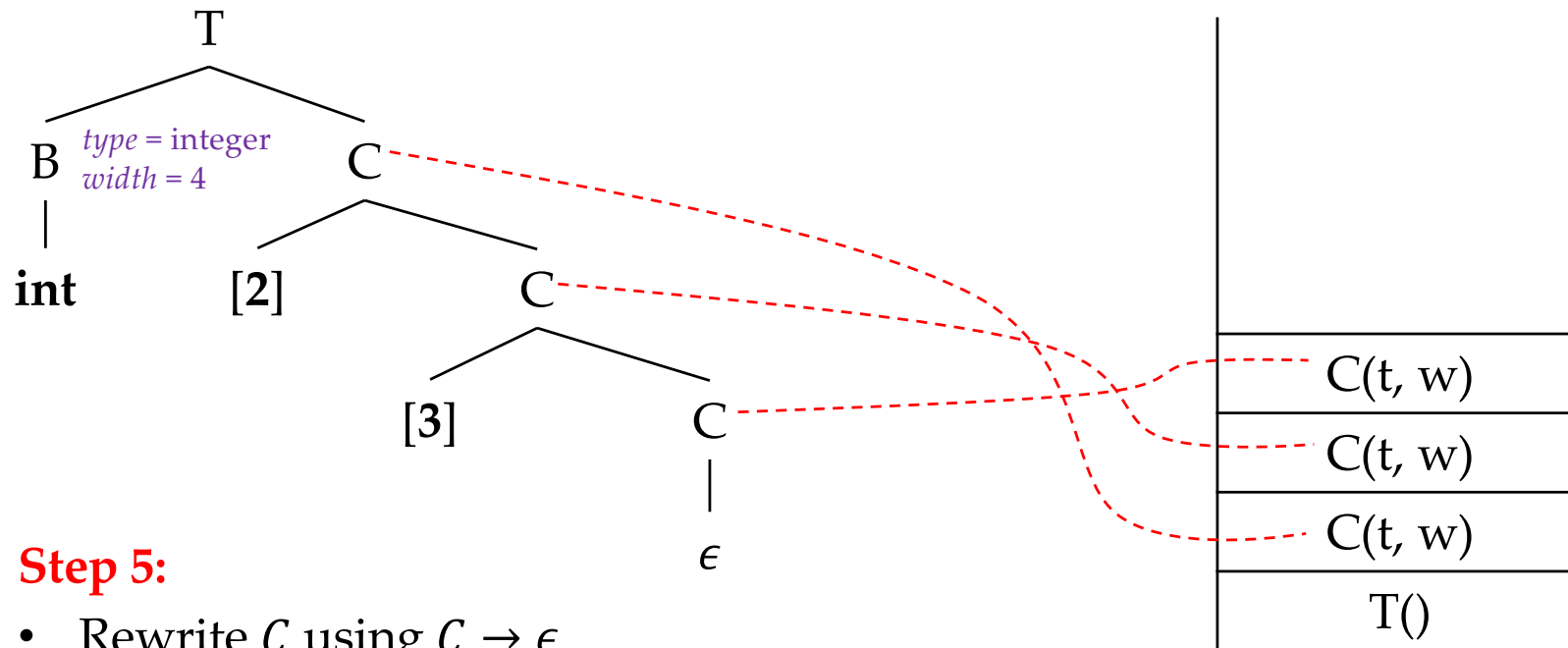
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Translation Process Example

Input string: `int[2][3]`

$t = \text{integer}$
 $w = 4$

$T \rightarrow B$	$\{ t = B.type; w = B.width; \}$
C	$\{ T.type = C.type; T.width = C.width; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{int}$	$\{ B.type = \text{integer}; B.width = 4; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{float}$	$\{ B.type = \text{float}; B.width = 8; \}$
$C \rightarrow \epsilon$	$\{ C.type = t; C.width = w; \}$
$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$	$\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$ $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$

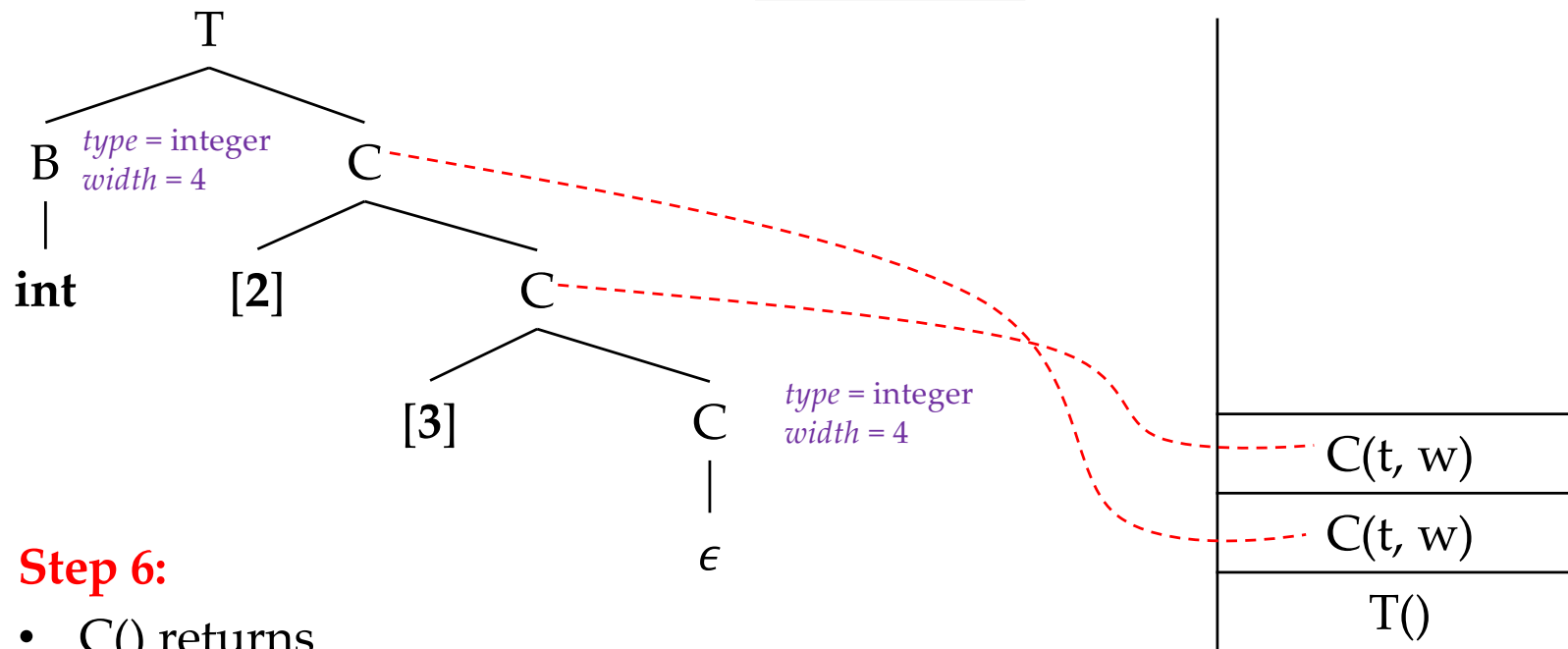


Translation Process Example

$T \rightarrow B$	$\{ t = B.type; w = B.width; \}$
$T \rightarrow C$	$\{ T.type = C.type; T.width = C.width; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{int}$	$\{ B.type = \text{integer}; B.width = 4; \}$
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Input string: `int[2][3]`

$t = \text{integer}$
 $w = 4$



Step 6:

- $C()$ returns
- Execute semantic action

$C \rightarrow \epsilon$

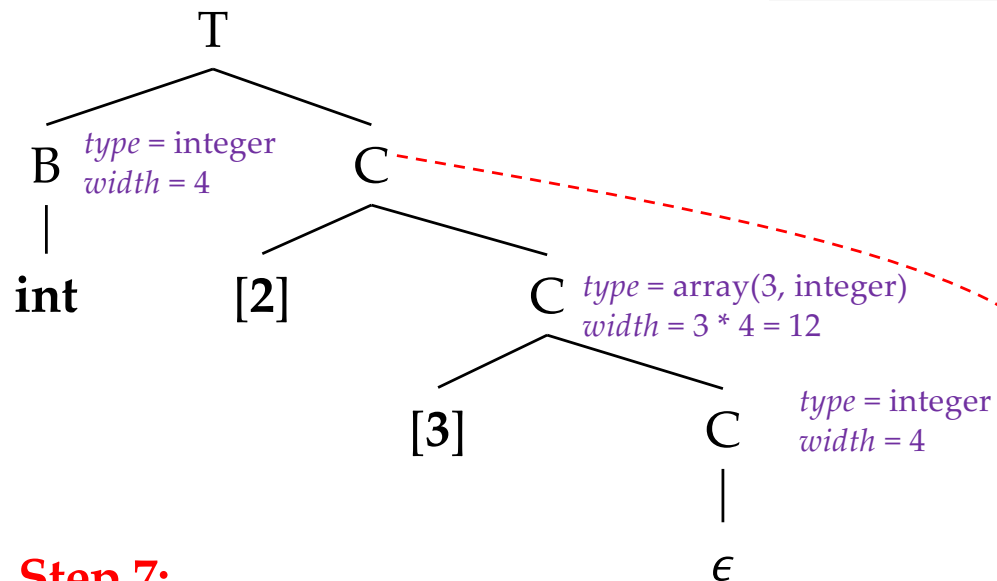
$\{ C.type = t; C.width = w; \}$

Translation Process Example

Input string: `int[2][3]`

$t = \text{integer}$
 $w = 4$

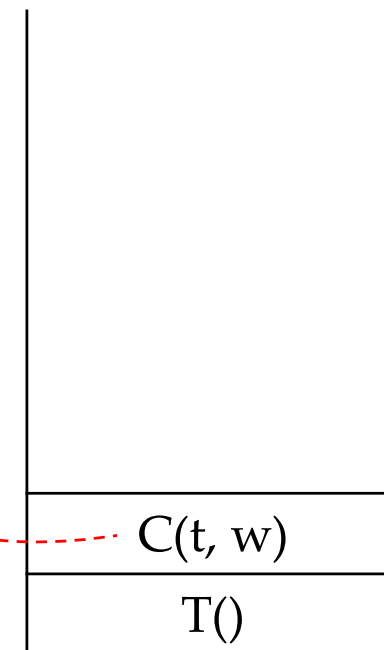
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$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$	$\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$ $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$



Step 7:

- $C()$ returns
- Execute semantic action

$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$ $\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$
 $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$



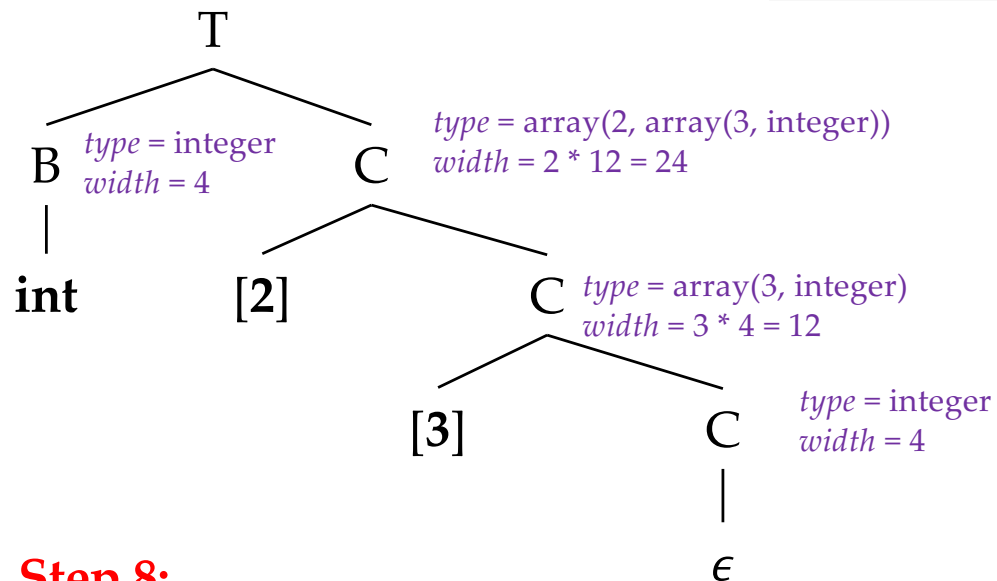
Call stack

Translation Process Example

Input string: `int[2][3]`

$t = \text{integer}$
 $w = 4$

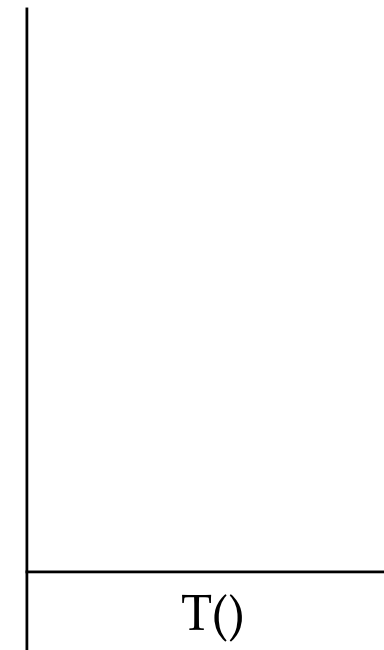
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$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$	$\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$ $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$



Step 8:

- $C()$ returns
- Execute semantic action

$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$ $\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$
 $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$

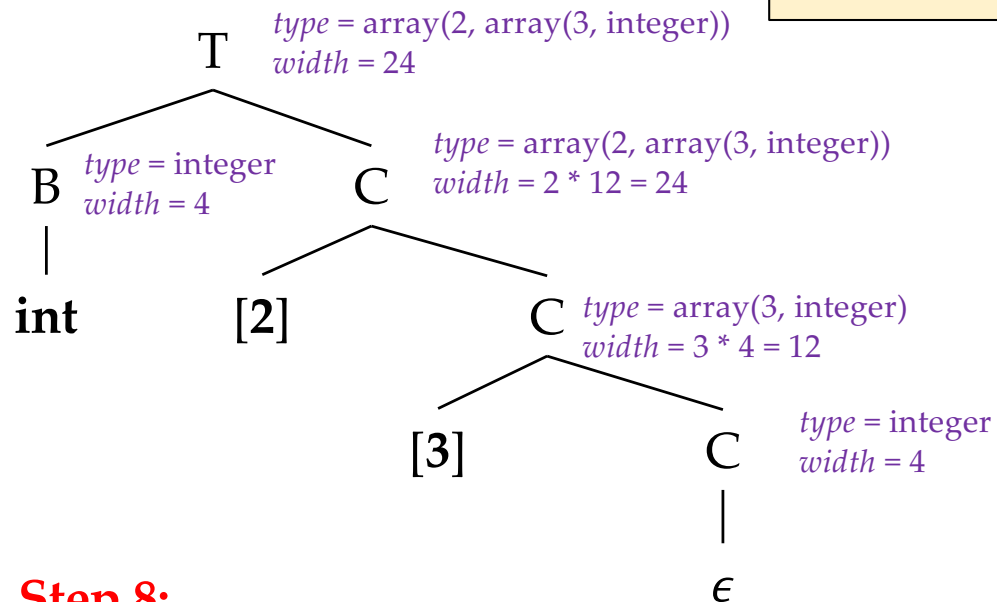


Call stack

Translation Process Example

Input string: `int[2][3]`

$t = \text{integer}$
 $w = 4$

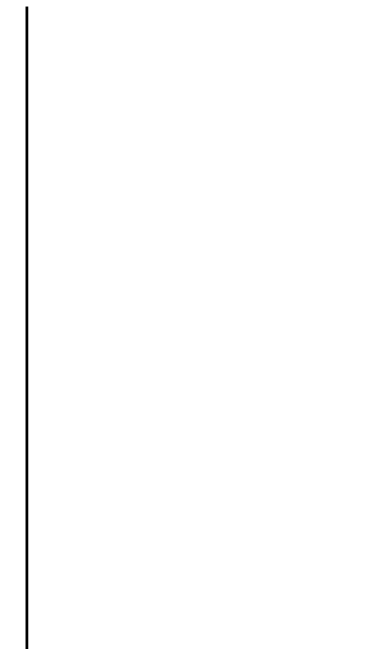


Step 8:

- $T()$ returns
- Execute semantic action

$T \rightarrow B$ $\{ t = B.type; w = B.width; \}$
 C $\{ T.type = C.type; T.width = C.width; \}$

$T \rightarrow B$	$\{ t = B.type; w = B.width; \}$
C	$\{ T.type = C.type; T.width = C.width; \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{int}$	$\{ B.type = \text{integer}; B.width = 4; \}$
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$C \rightarrow \epsilon$	$\{ C.type = t; C.width = w; \}$
$C \rightarrow [\text{num}] C_1$	$\{ C.type = \text{array}(\text{num.value}, C_1.type);$ $C.width = \text{num.value} \times C_1.width; \}$



Call stack

Sequences of Declarations

- When dealing with a procedure, local variables should be put in a separate symbol table; their declarations can be processed as a group
 - **Name**, **type**, and **relative address** of each variable should be stored
- The translation scheme below handles a sequence of declarations
 - **offset**: the next available relative address; **top**: the current symbol table

$$\begin{array}{ll} P \rightarrow & \{ \text{offset} = 0; \} \\ & D \\ D \rightarrow T \text{ id} ; & \{ \text{top.put}(\text{id.lexeme}, T.\text{type}, \text{offset}); \\ & \text{offset} = \text{offset} + T.\text{width}; \} \\ & D_1 \\ D \rightarrow & \epsilon \end{array}$$

Computing relative addresses of declared names

Fields in Records and Classes

- Two assumptions:
 - The field names within a record must be distinct
 - The offset for a field name is relative to the data area (数据区) for that record
- For convenience, we use a symbol table for each record type
 - Store both type and relative address of fields
- A record type has the form *record*(*t*)
 - *record* is the type constructor
 - *t* is a symbol table object, holding info about the fields of this record type

Fields in Records and Classes

$$\begin{array}{ll} T \rightarrow \text{record } \{ & \{ \text{Env.push}(top); top = \text{new Env}(); \\ & \text{Stack.push}(offset); offset = 0; \} \\ D \} & \{ T.type = \text{record}(top); T.width = offset; \\ & top = \text{Env.pop}(); offset = \text{Stack.pop}(); \} \end{array}$$

- The class *Env* implements symbol tables
- *Env.push(top)* and *Stack.push(offset)* save the current symbol table and offset; later, they will be popped to continue with other translation
- The translation scheme can be adapted to deal with classes

Outline

- Intermediate Representation
- Type and Declarations
- **Type Checking**
- Translation of Expressions
- Control Flow

Type Checking

- To do type checking, a compiler needs to assign a **type expression** to each component of the source program
- The compiler then determines whether the type expressions conform to **a collection of logical rules** (i.e., the *type system*)
 - A **sound** type system allows us to determine statically that type errors cannot occur at run time
- A language is **strongly typed** if the compiler guarantees that the programs it accepts will run without type errors (**sound type system**)
 - **Strongly typed:** Java (double a; ~~int b = a;~~ **//cannot compile**)
 - **Weakly typed:** C/C++ (double a; int b = a; **//implicit conversion**)

Rules for Type Checking

- Type synthesis (类型合成)

- Build up the type of an expression from the types of subexpressions
 - **Typical form:** if f has type $s \rightarrow t$ and x has type s , then expression $f(x)$ has type t
 - **Example:** If x is of integer type, the function f has type $integer \rightarrow integer$, then the type of the expression $f(x) + x$ is also integer

- Type inference (类型推导)

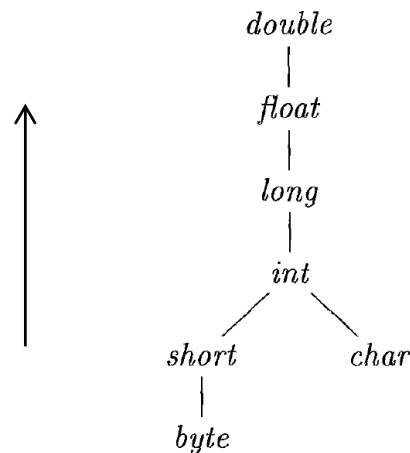
- Determine the type of a language construct from the way it is used
 - **Typical form:** if $f(x)$ is an expression, then: as f has type $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ (α, β represent two types), x has type α
 - **Example:** let $null$ be a function that tests whether a list is empty, then from the usage $null(x)$, we can tell that x must be a list

Type Conversions

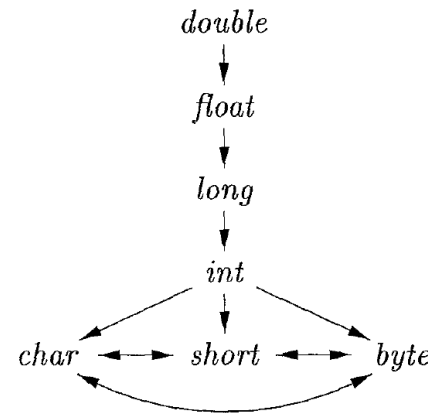
- Consider an expression $x * i$, where x is a float and i is an integer
 - The representation (the way of organizing 0/1 bits) of integers and floating-point numbers is different
 - Different machine instructions are used for operations on integers and floats
 - Convert integers to floats: $t_1 = (\text{float}) i$ $t_2 = x \text{ fmul } t_1$
- **Type conversion SDT** for a simple case (using type synthesis)
 - $E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2$
 - $\{$ **if**($E_1.type = integer$ **and** $E_2.type = integer$) $E.type = integer$;
 else if($E_1.type = float$ **and** $E_2.type = integer$) $E.type = float$;
 ...
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Widening and Narrowing (1)

- Type conversion rules vary from language to language
- Java distinguishes between *widening* conversions (类型拓宽) and *narrowing* conversions (类型窄化)



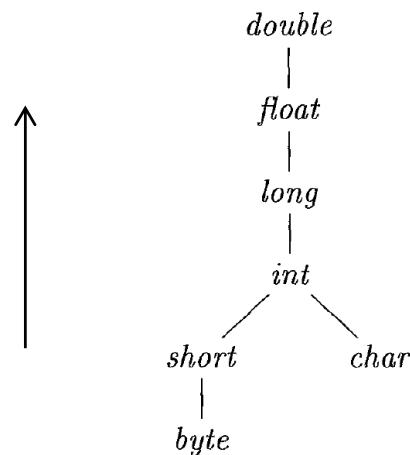
(a) Widening conversions



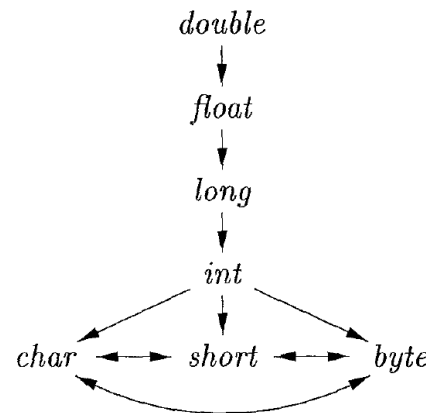
(b) Narrowing conversions

Widening and Narrowing (2)

- *Widening* conversions **preserve information** and can be done automatically by the compiler (*implicit* type conversions, or *coercions*)
- *Narrowing* conversions **lose information** and require programmers to write code to cause the conversion (*explicit* type conversions, or *casts*)



(a) Widening conversions



(b) Narrowing conversions

SDT for Type Conversion

- $\text{max}(t_1, t_2)$ takes two types t_1 and t_2 and returns the **maximum** (or **least upper bound**) of the two types in the widening hierarchy
- $\text{widen}(a, t, w)$ generates type conversions if needed to widen an **address** a of **type** t into a value of **type** w

```
Addr widen(Addr a, Type t, Type w)
    if ( t = w ) return a;
    else if ( t = integer and w = float ) {
        temp = new Temp();
        gen(temp '=' '(float)' a);
        return temp;
    }
    else error;
}
```

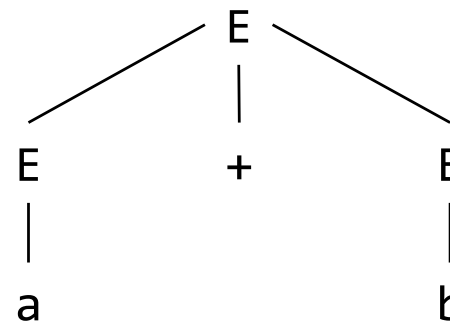
```
 $E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2 \quad \{ \begin{array}{l} E.type = \text{max}(E_1.type, E_2.type); \\ a_1 = \text{widen}(E_1.addr, E_1.type, E.type); \\ a_2 = \text{widen}(E_2.addr, E_2.type, E.type); \\ E.addr = \text{new Temp}(); \\ \text{gen}(E.addr '=' a_1 '+' a_2); \end{array} \}$ 
```

Example

- $a + b$ (suppose a is of *int* type and b is of *float* type)

```

Addr widen(Addr a, Type t, Type w)
  if ( t = w ) return a; 3
  else if ( t = integer and w = float ) {
    temp = new Temp();
    gen(temp '=' '(float)' a); 2
    return temp;
  }
  else error;
}
    
```



Generated code:

```

temp = (float) a 2
temp2 = temp + b 5
    
```

$E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2$	{ $E.type = \max(E_1.type, E_2.type);$	$E.type = \max(\text{int}, \text{float}) = \text{float}$	1
	$a_1 = \text{widen}(E_1.addr, E_1.type, E.type);$	$a_1 = \text{widen}(a, \text{int}, \text{float}) = \text{temp}$	2
	$a_2 = \text{widen}(E_2.addr, E_2.type, E.type);$	$a_2 = \text{widen}(b, \text{float}, \text{float}) = b$	3
	$E.addr = \text{new Temp}();$	$E.addr = \text{new Temp}() = \text{temp2}$	4
	$\text{gen}(E.addr '=' a_1 '+' a_2);$		5