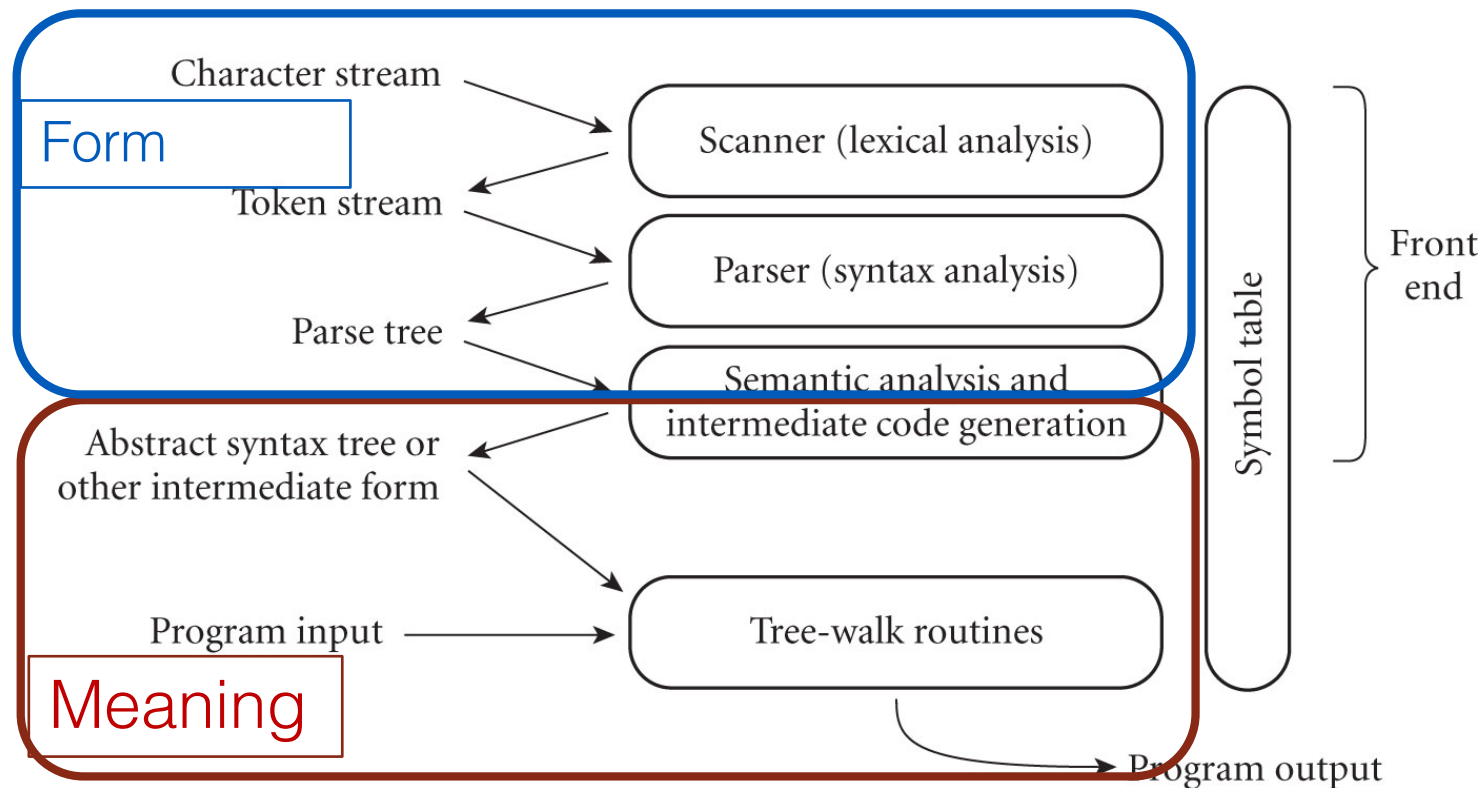


CS 320 : Compiler

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Form and Meaning

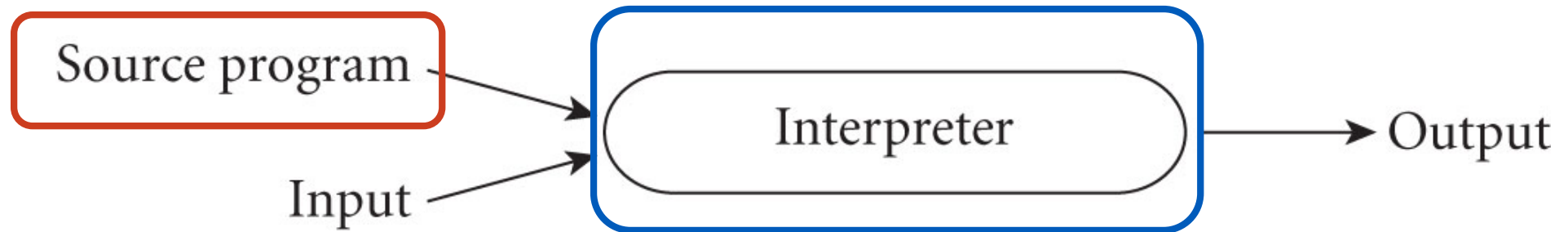


Learning Goals for today

- Understanding the basics of a compiler.
- Understanding the difference with an interpreter.

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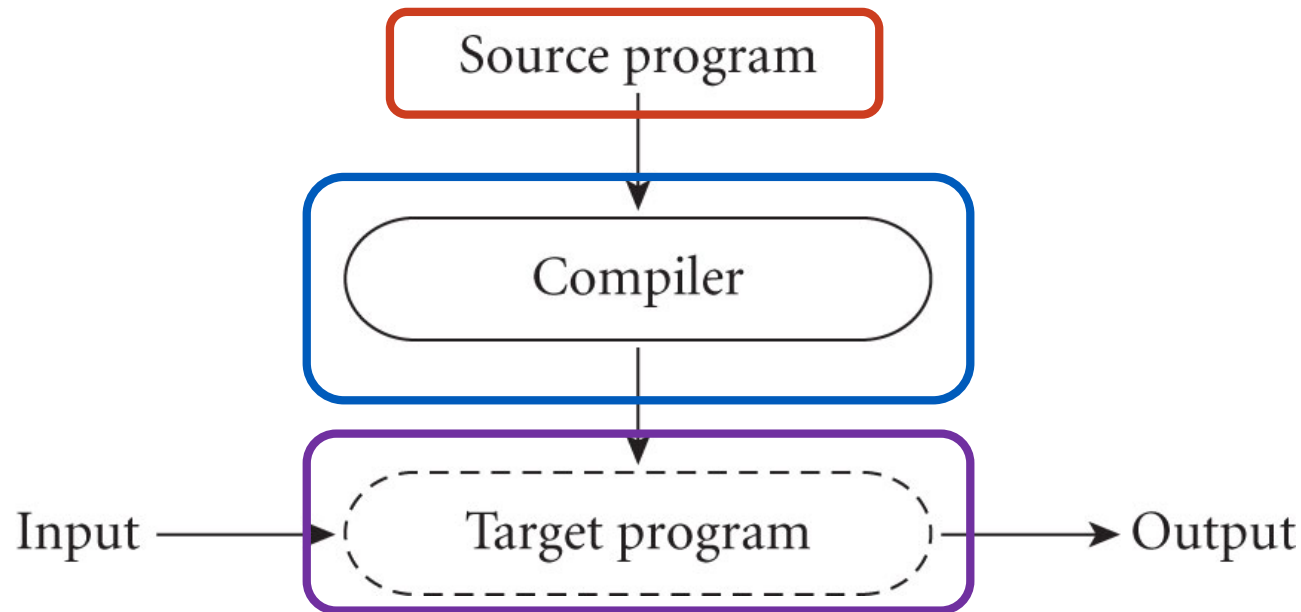
Interpretation



An interpreter is a **program** that accepts a **source program** and its input and runs it immediately to produce the output.

Pure Compilation

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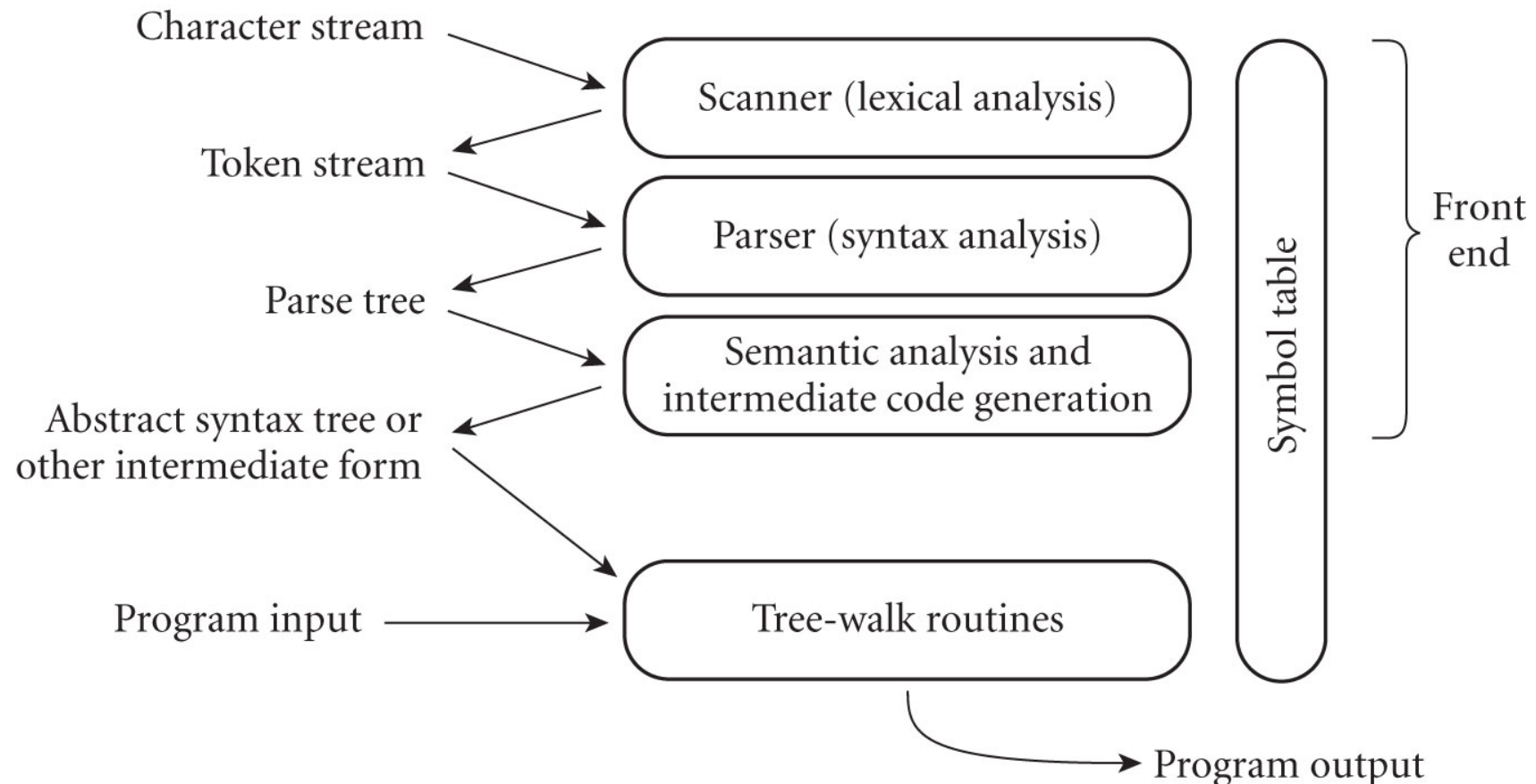


A compiler is a **program** that translates from a **source program** from an high-level language into a **low-level language**.

What are the phases of an interpreter or a compiler?

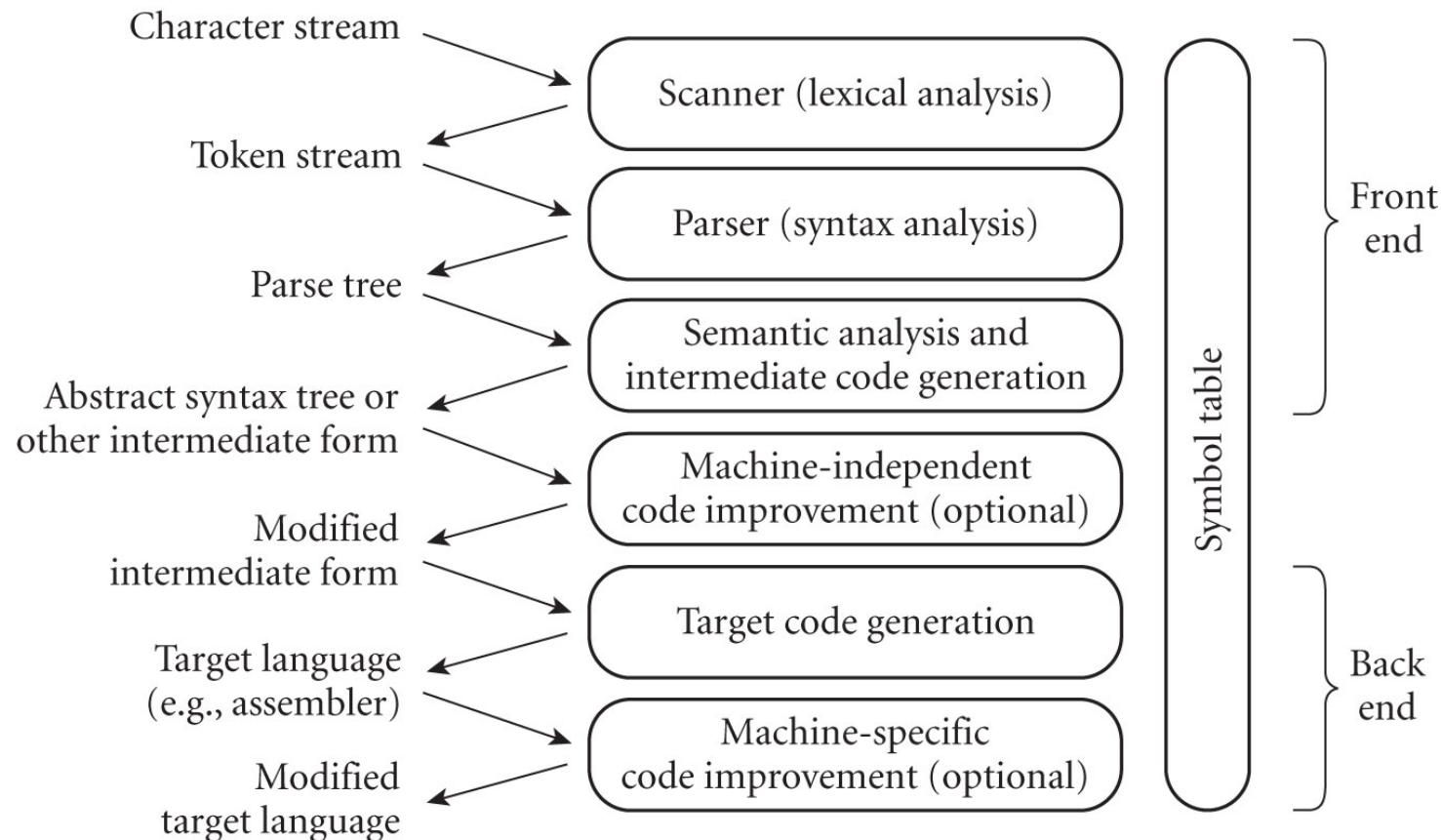
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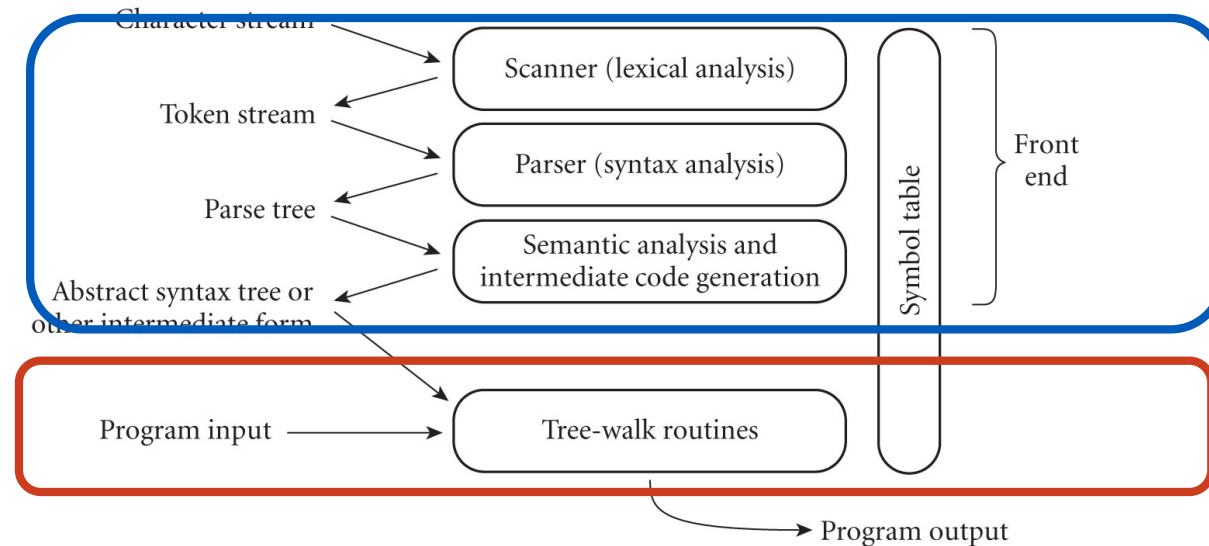
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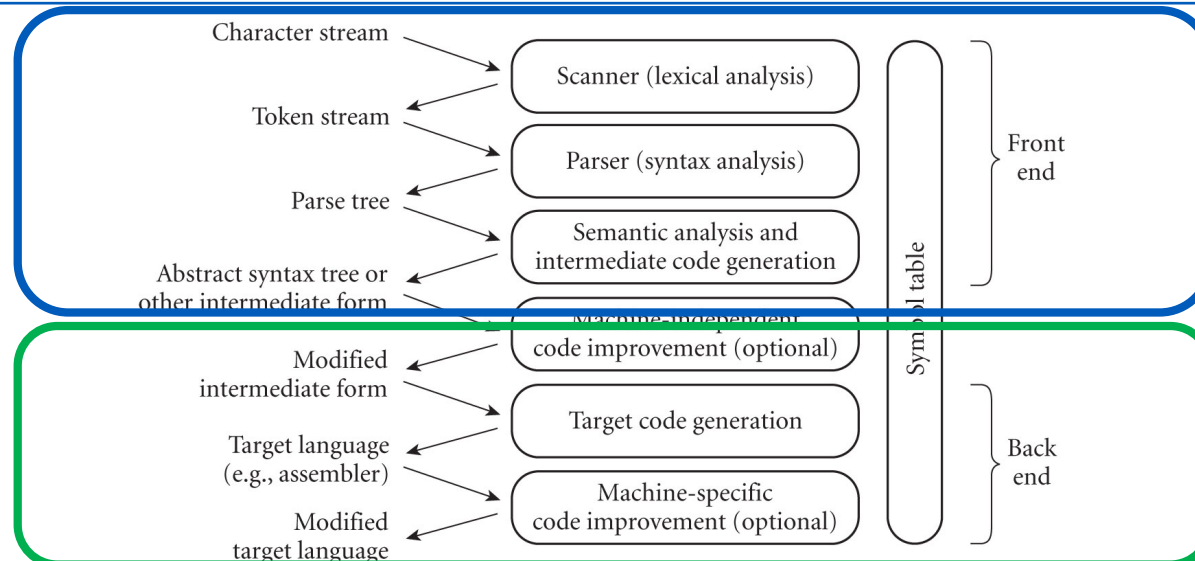


Commonalities and differences

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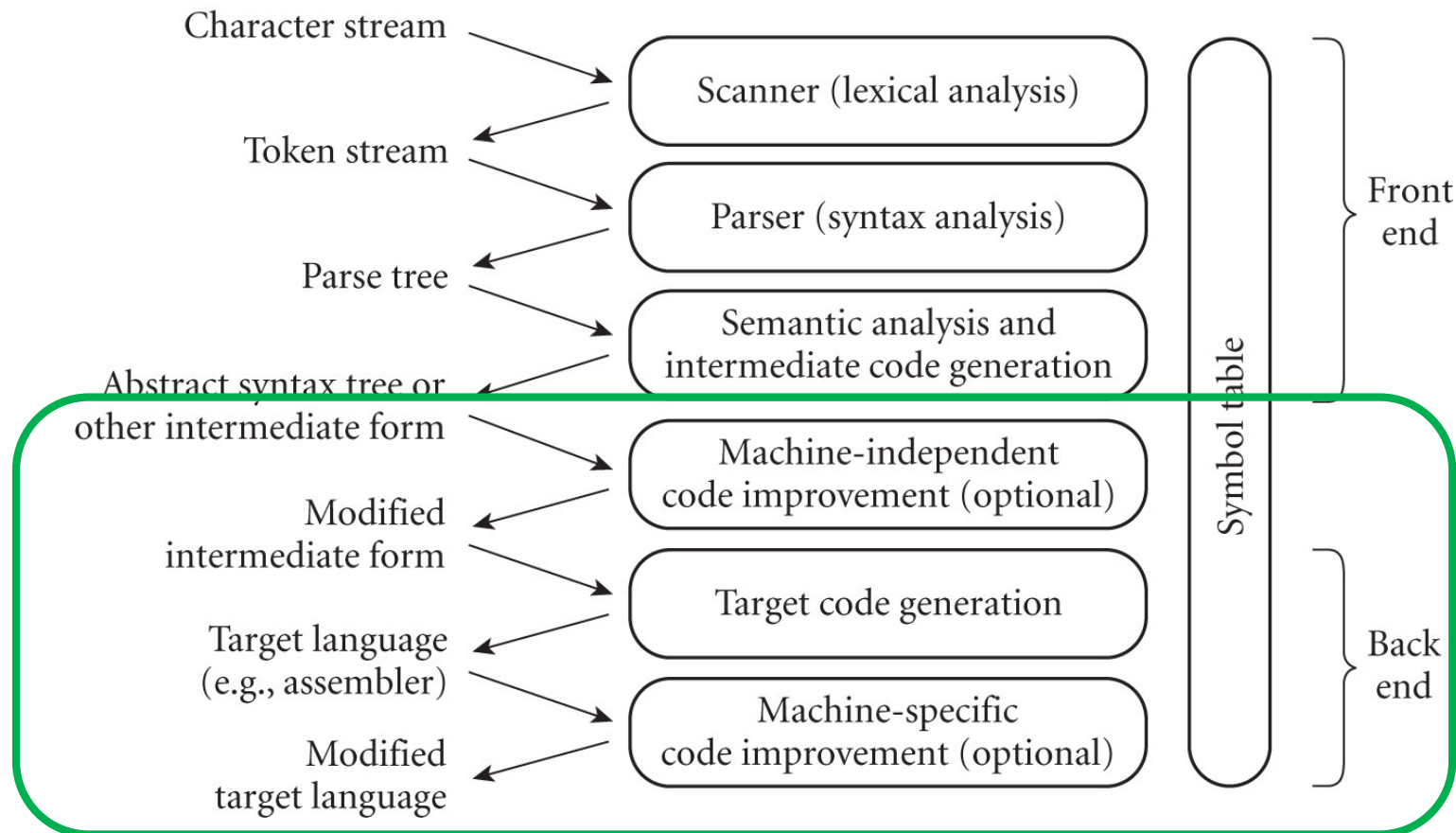


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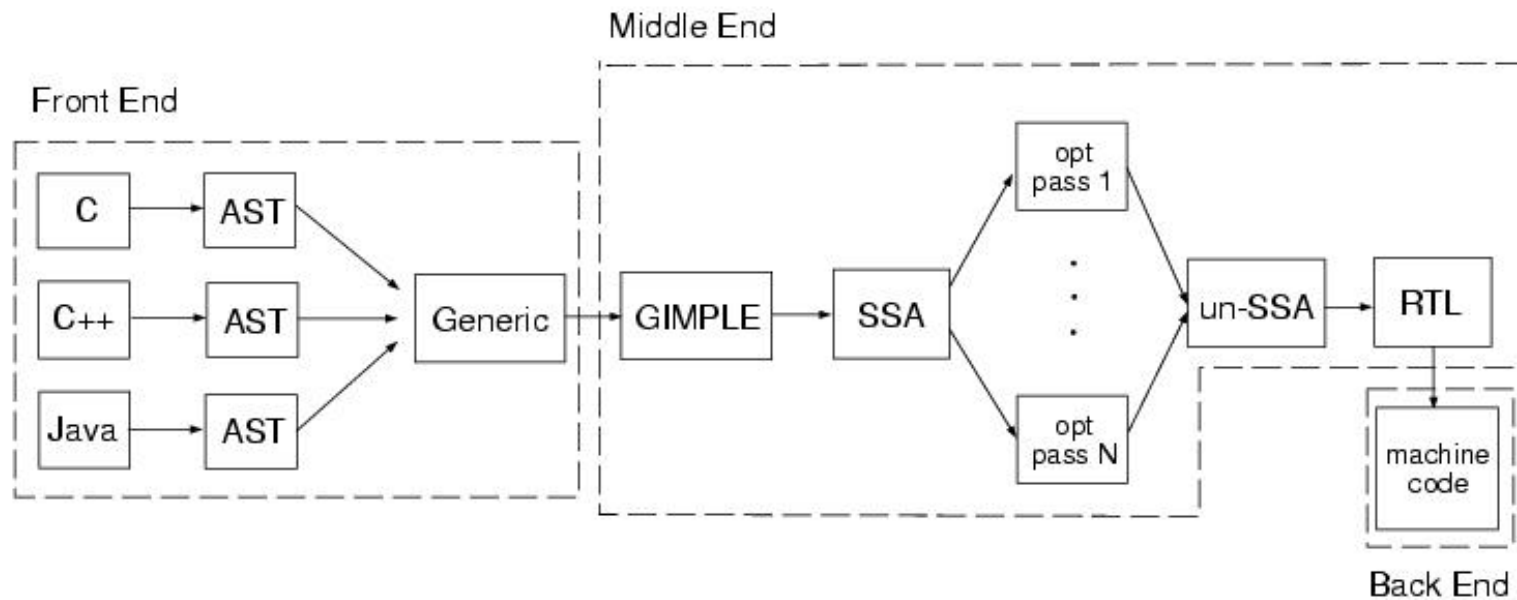


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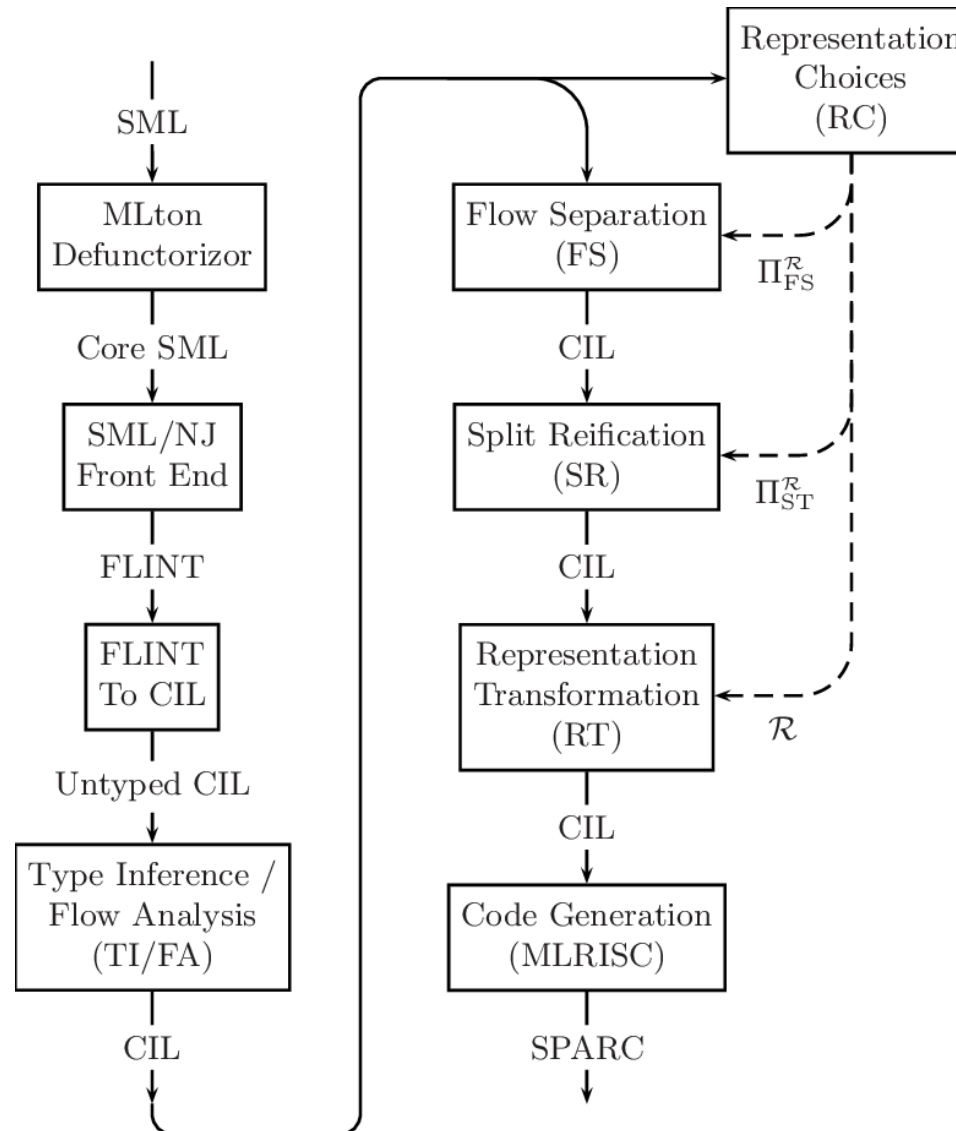
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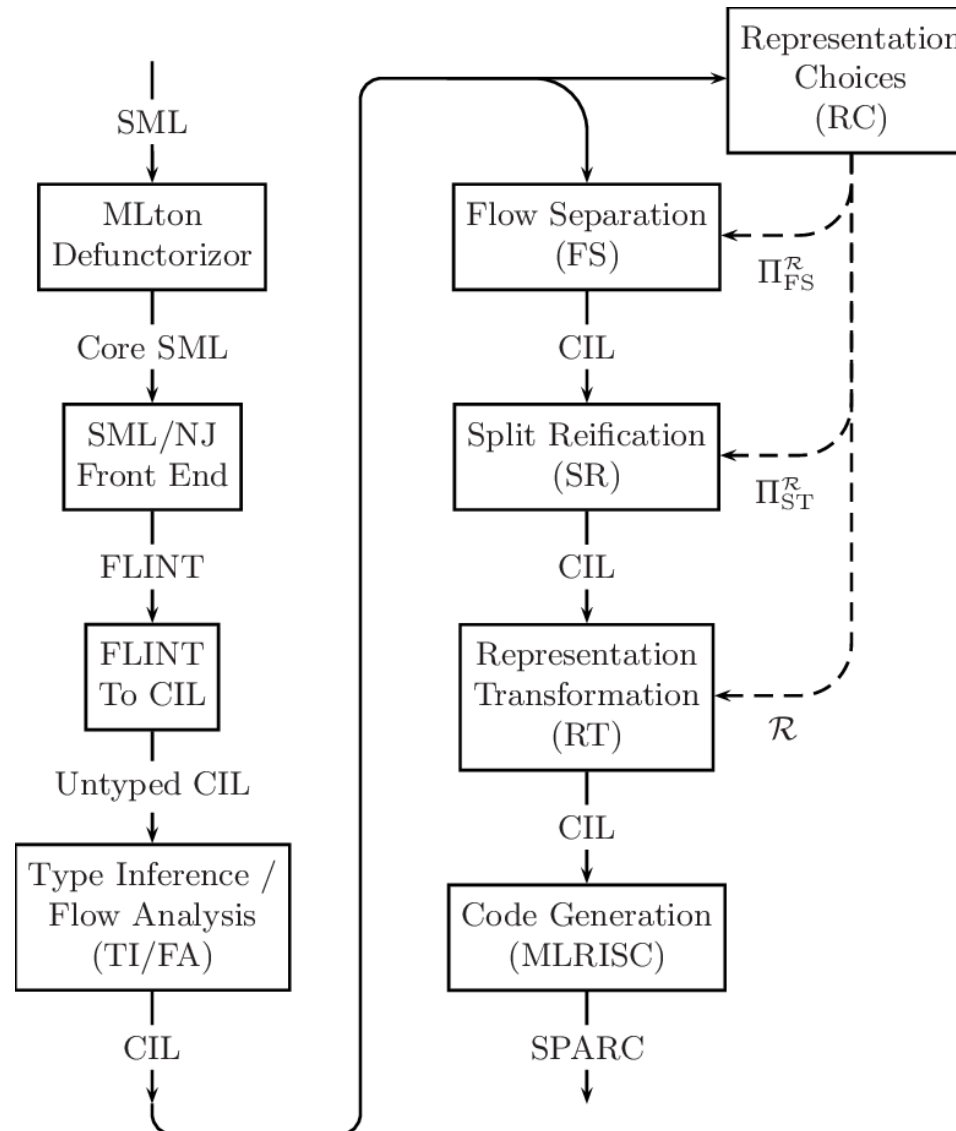
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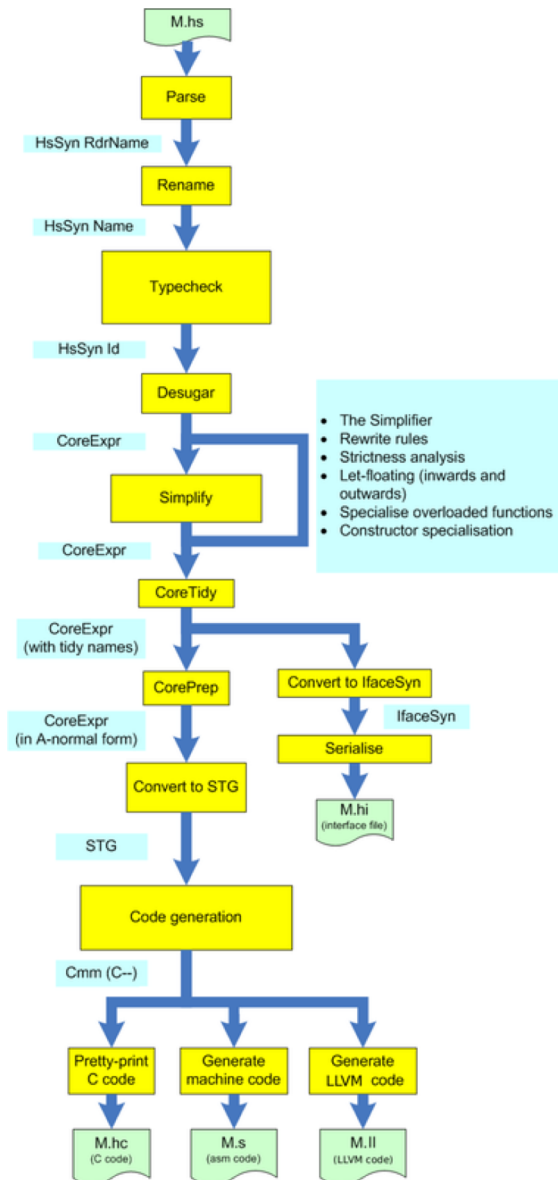
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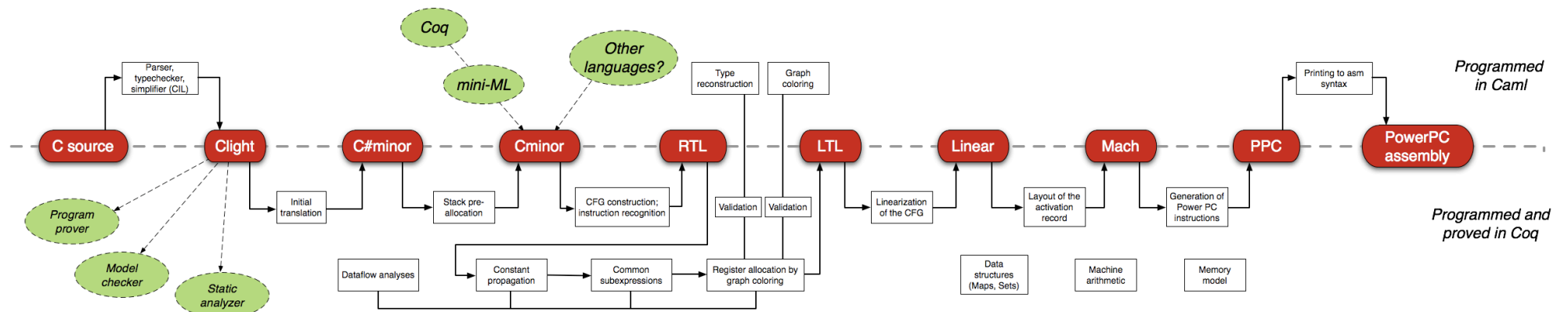
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Some examples - GHC

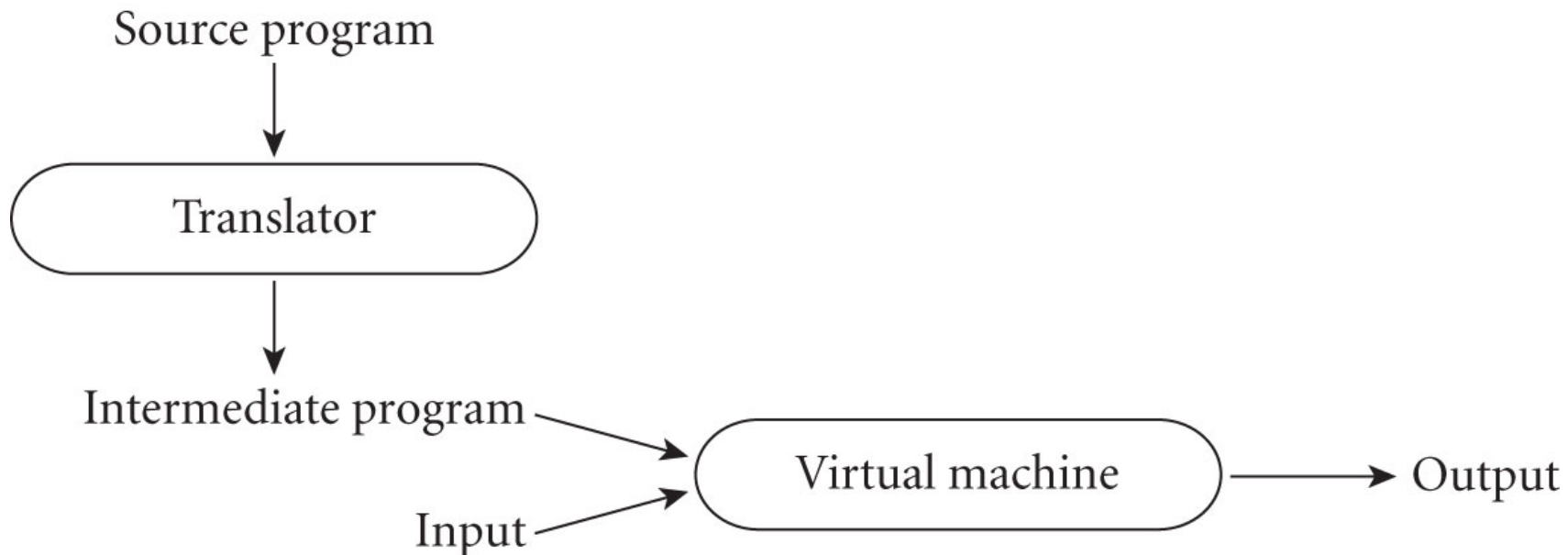


Some examples - GHC



Other approaches: e.g. Mixing Compilation and Interpretation

Mixing



High-level functional language

...

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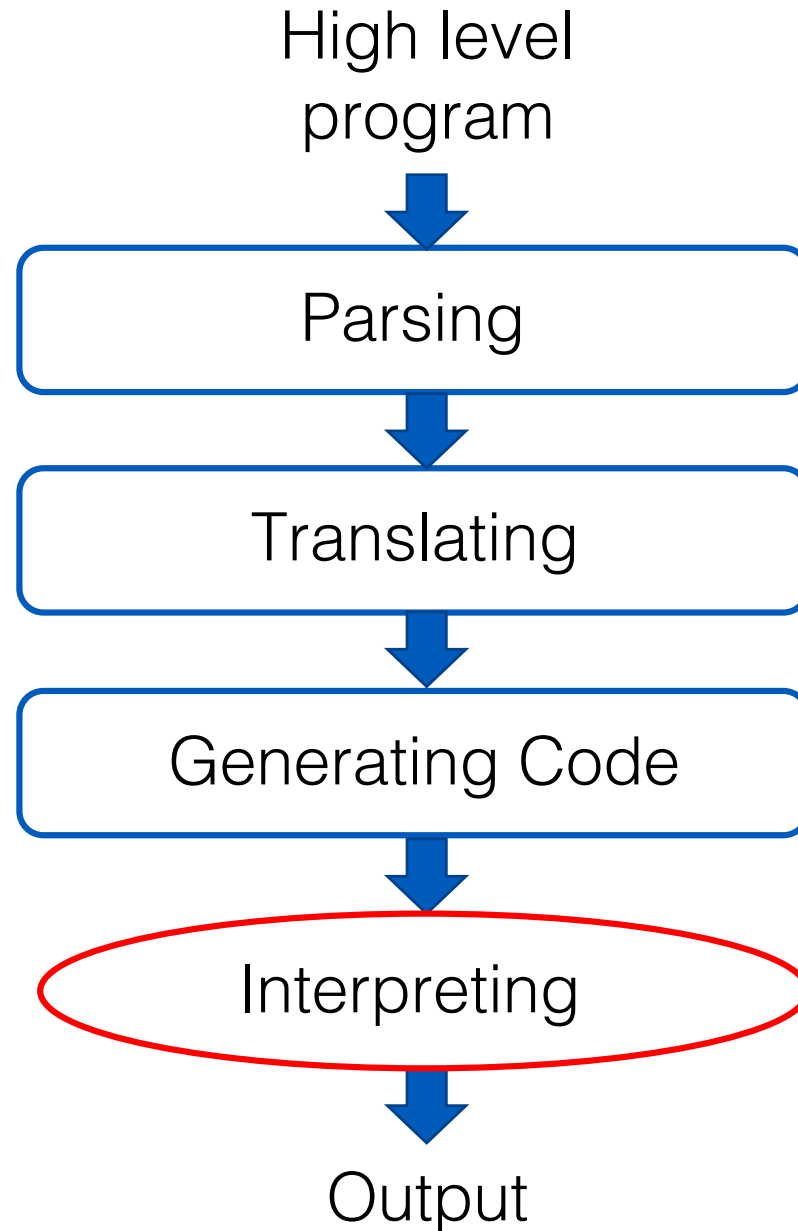
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Stack-based language

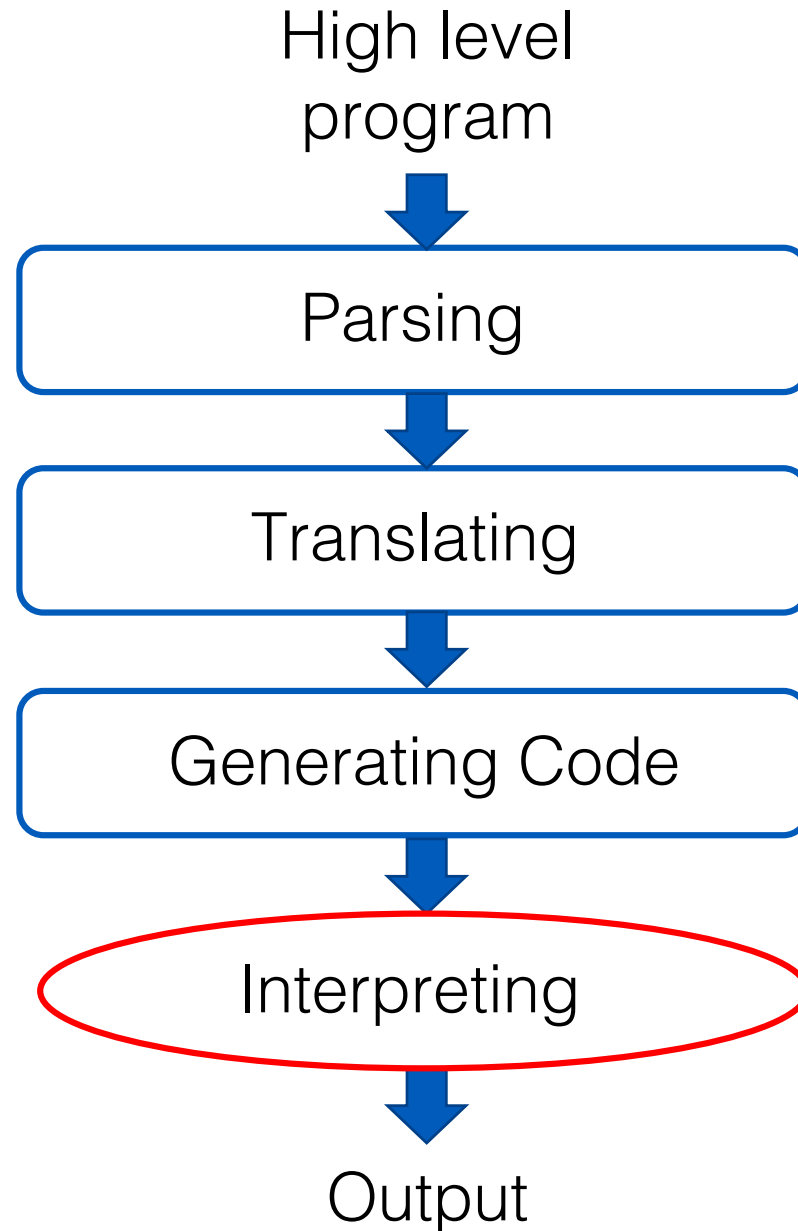
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Our compiler overview

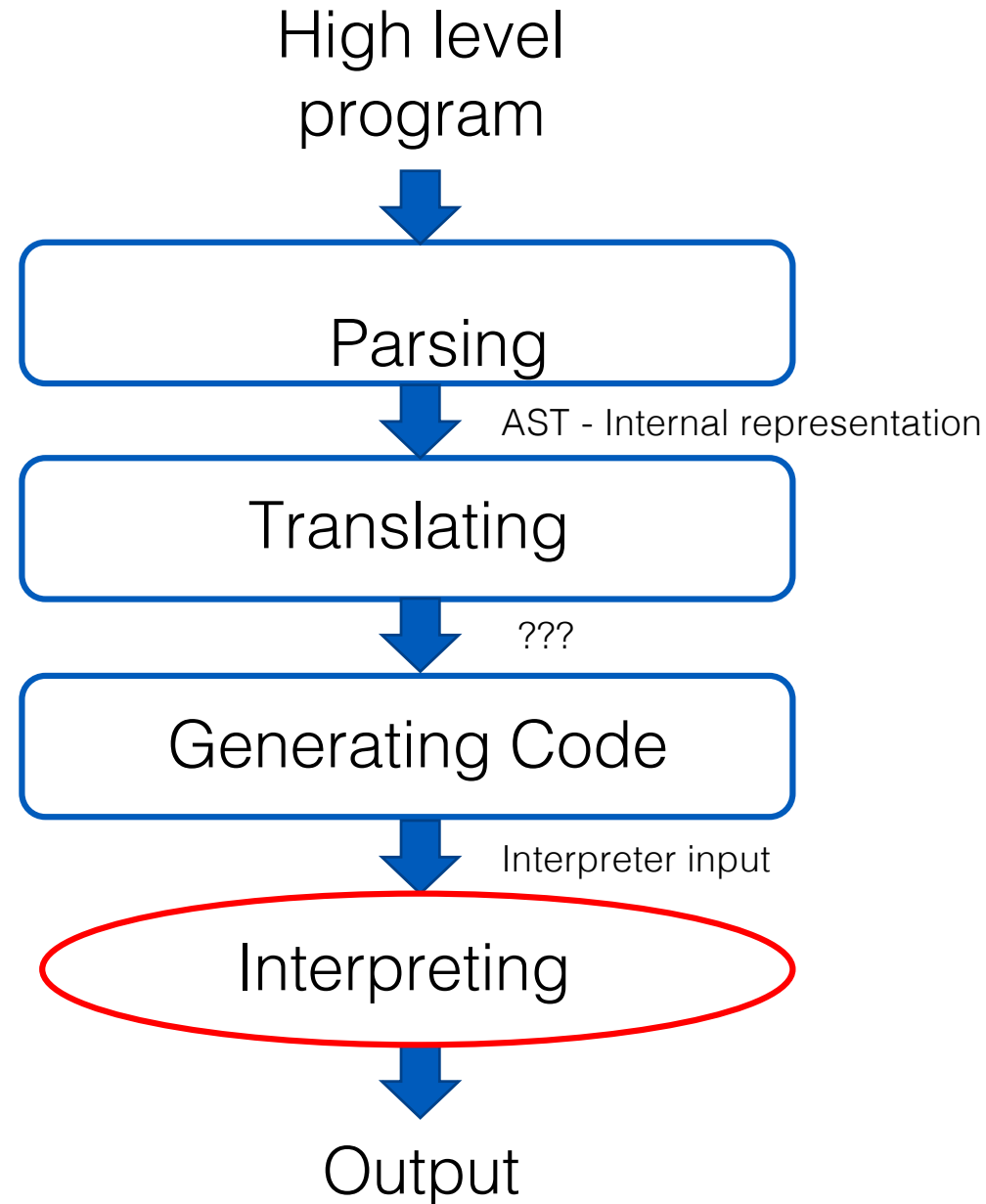


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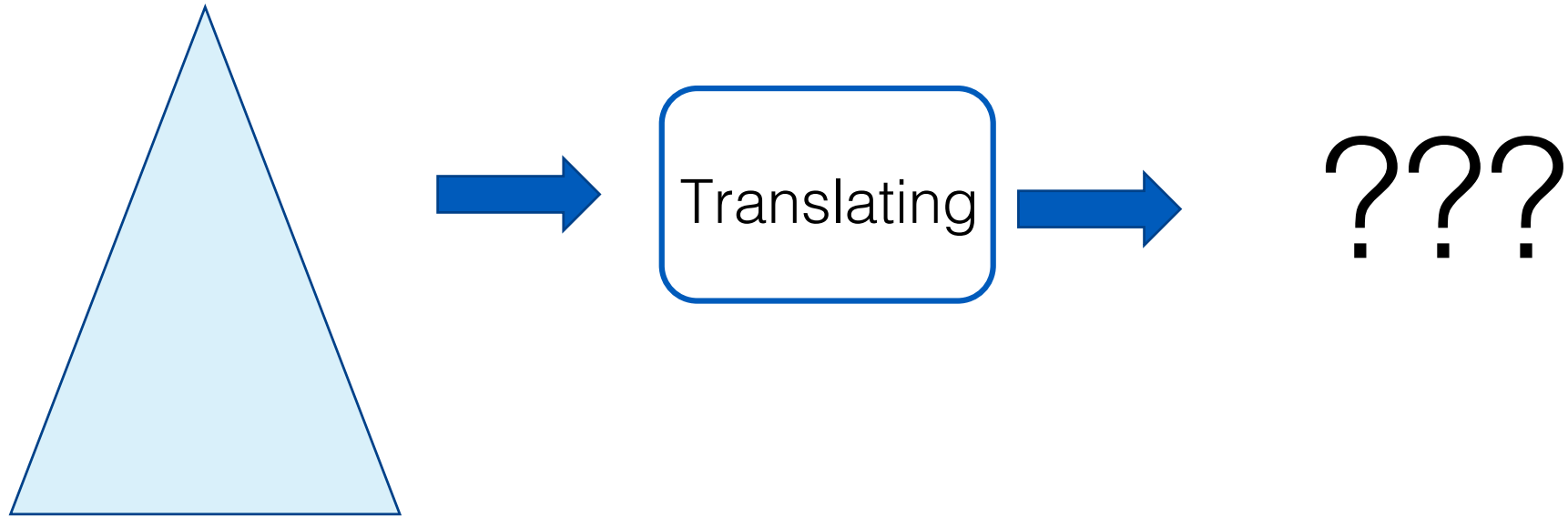
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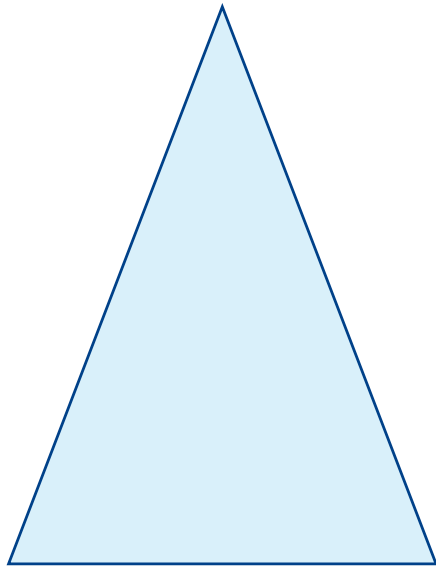
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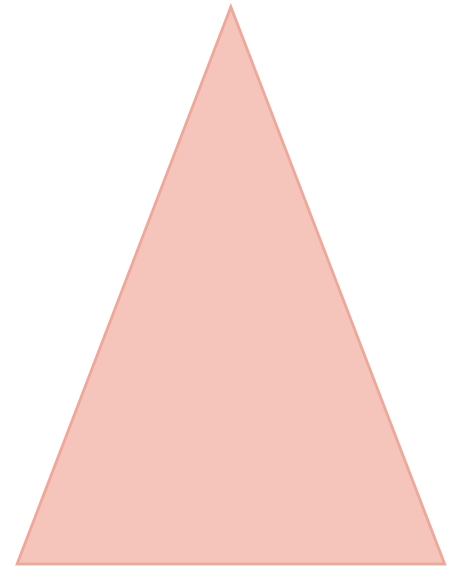


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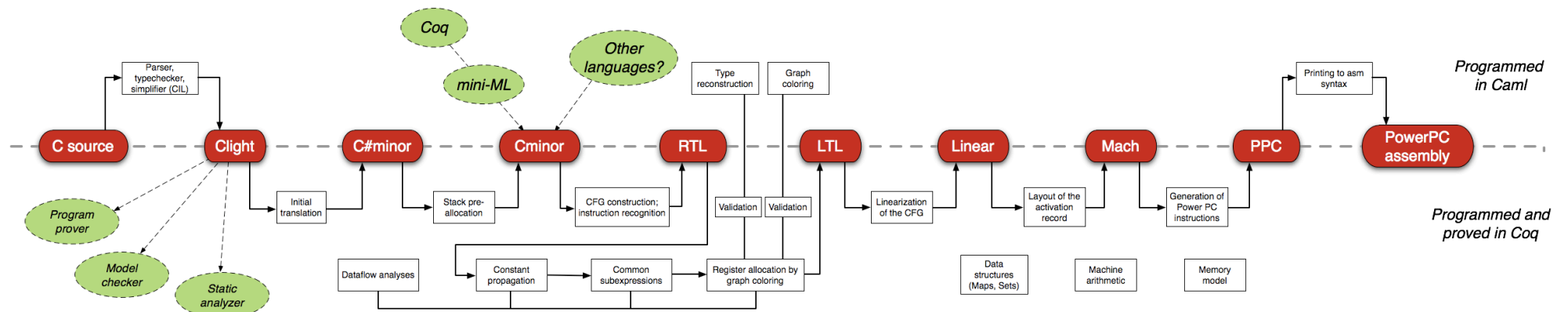
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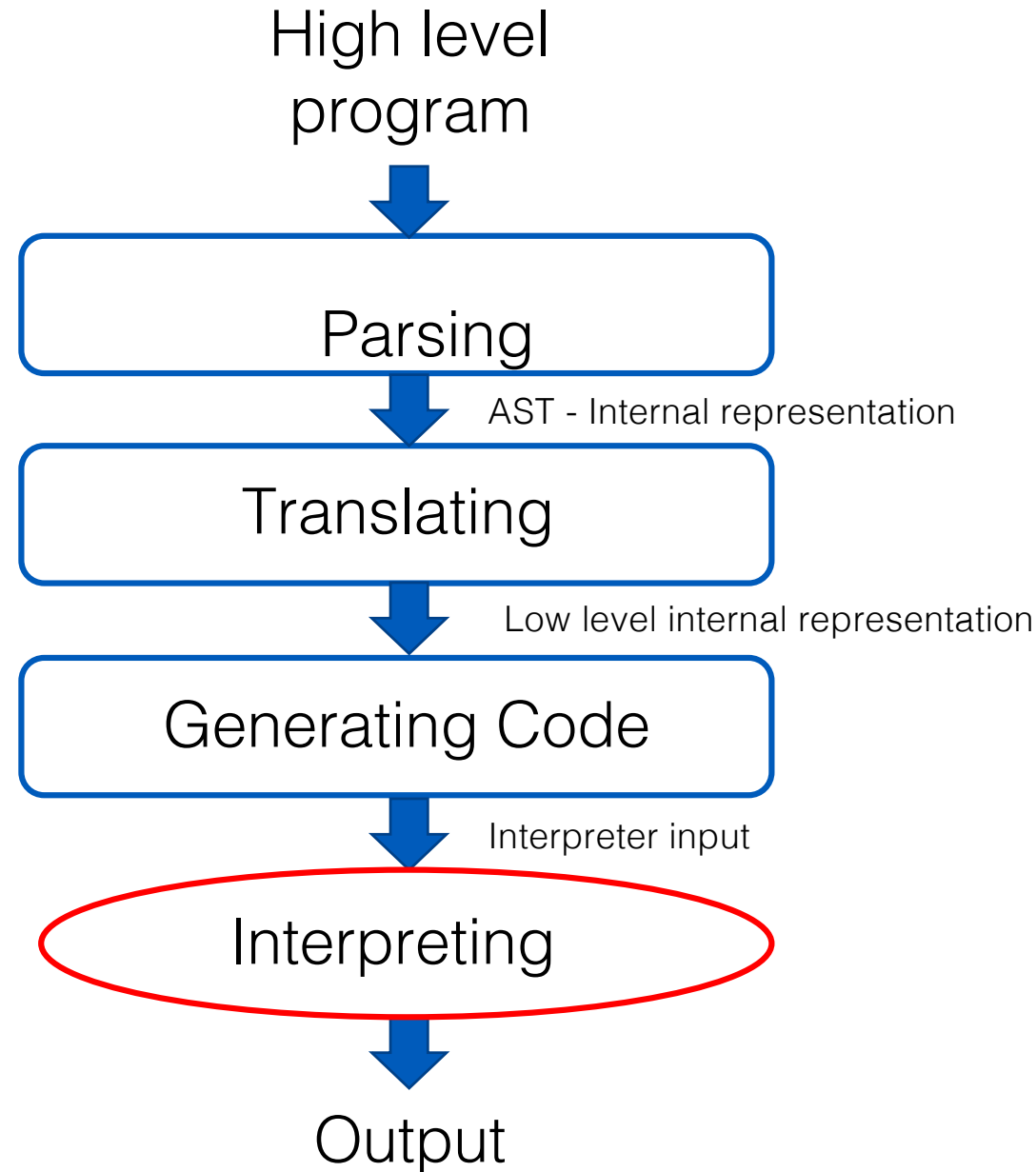
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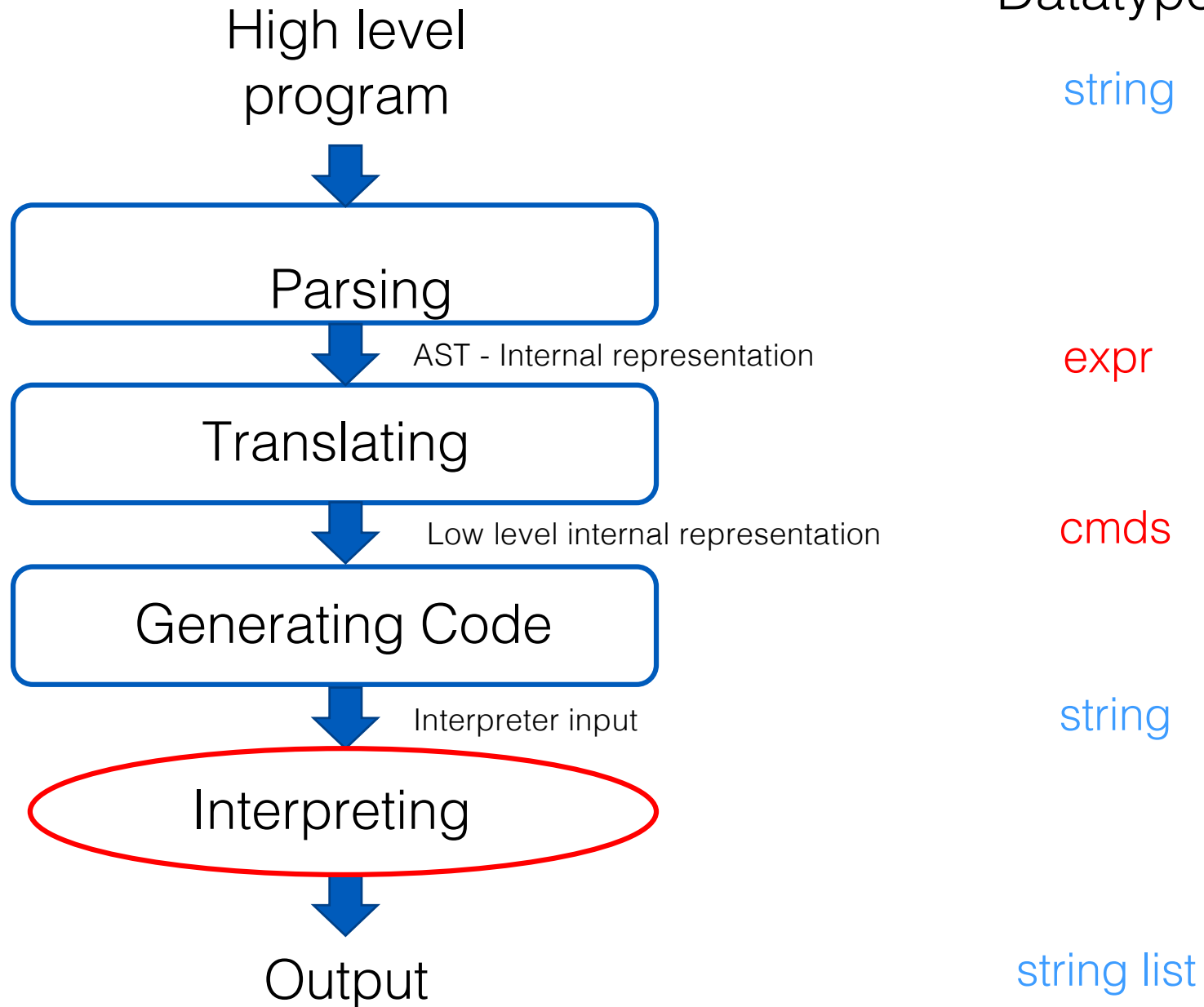


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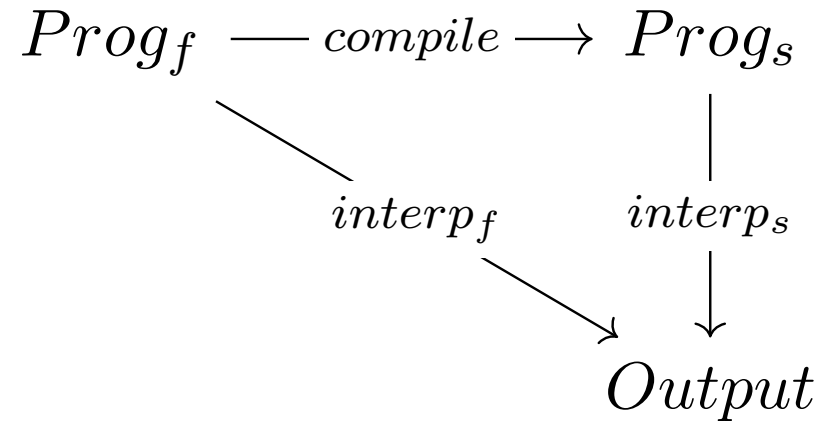


Tip for project part3: data types

OCaml
Datatypes



Tip for project part3: Testing your compile



```
stack_interp (translate Progf) = func_interpreter Progf
```

Some example

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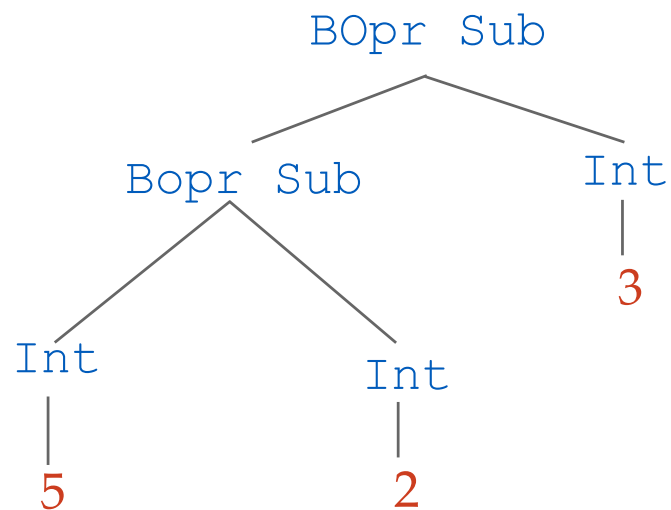
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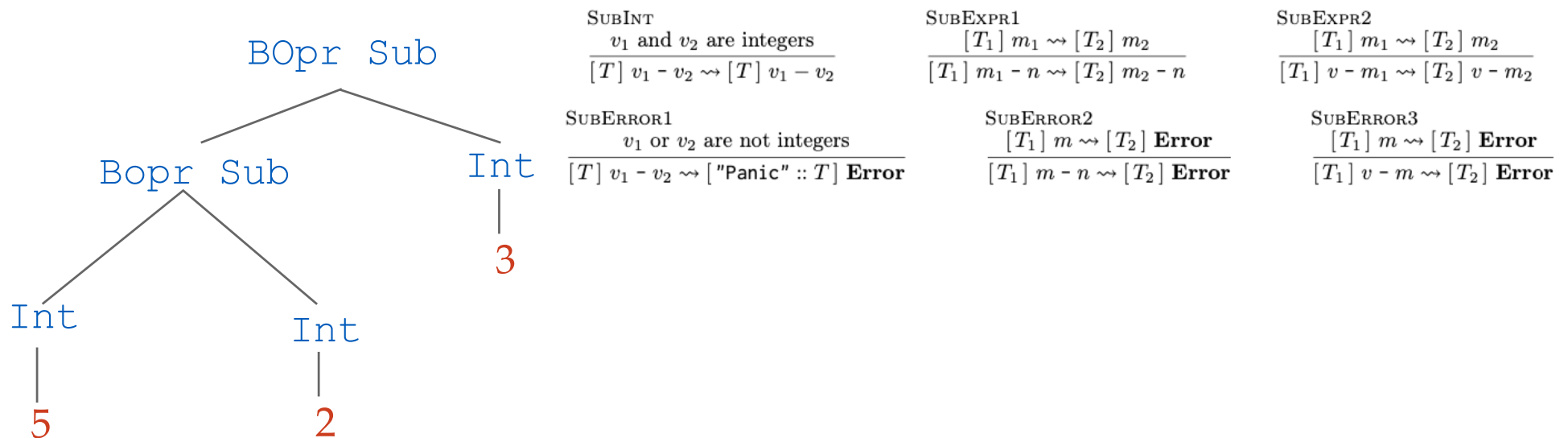
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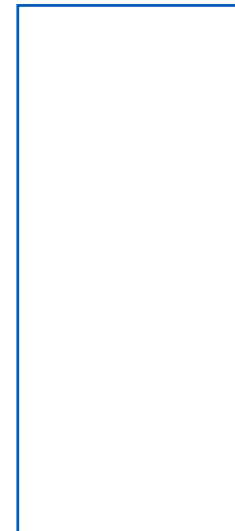
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Program

???

Stack



Some example

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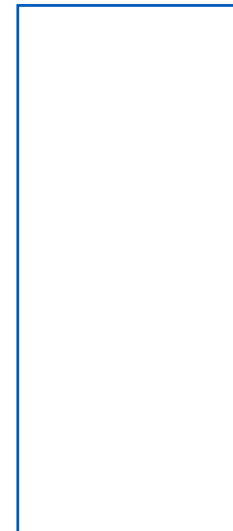
Push 2

Push 3

Sub

Sub

Stack



Some example

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What is our target?

Is this a good target?

Program

Push 5

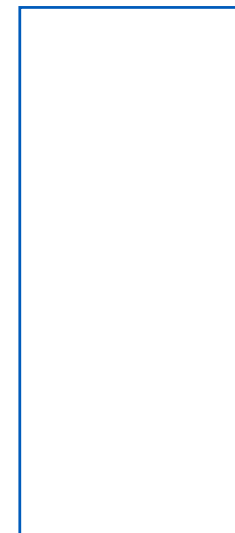
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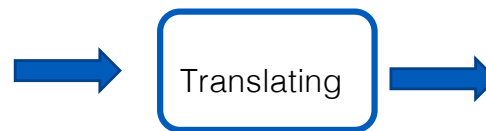
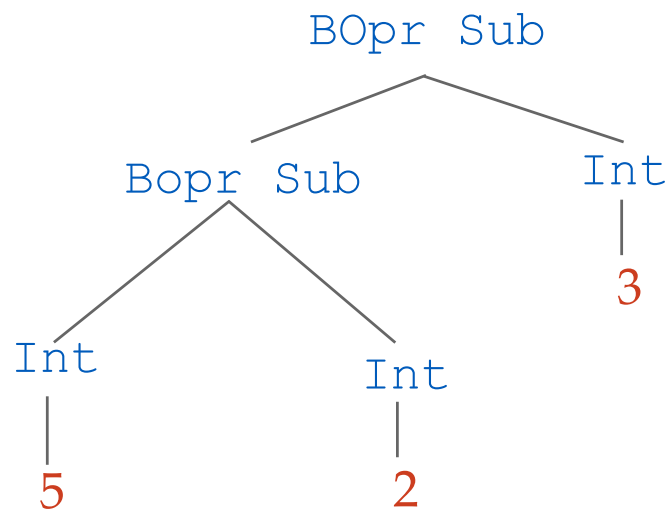
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5-2-3

What is our target?

Do they follow the same structure?



Program

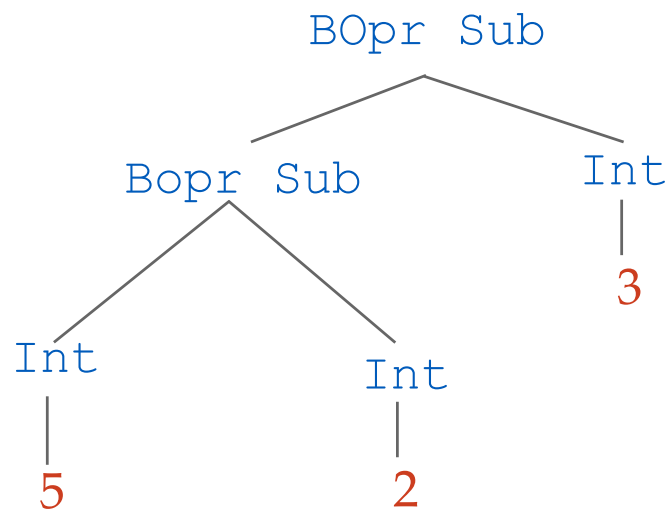
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Push 3
Sub
Sub
```

Some example

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5-2-3

What is our target?



Better solution! But it still has problems...

Program

```
Push 5
Push 2
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Sub
```

What is the order on the stack?

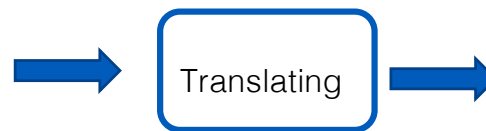
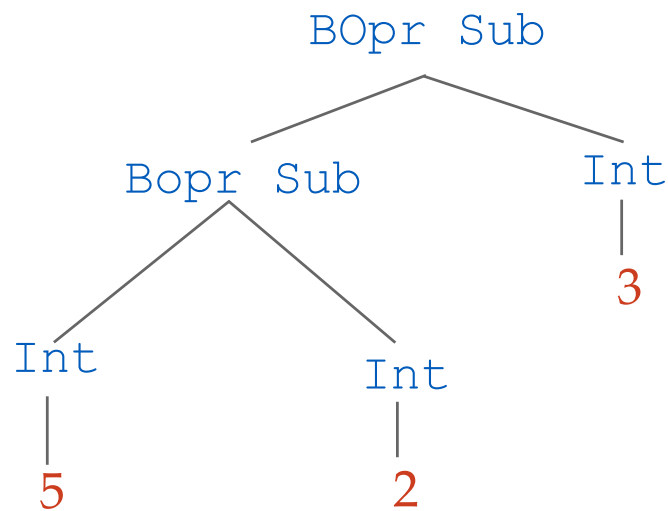
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5-2-3

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Program

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Push 5
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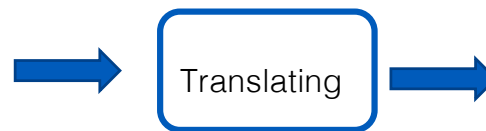
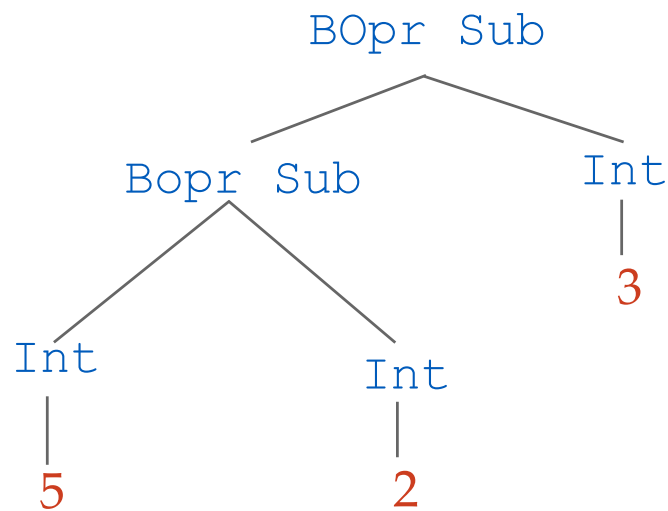
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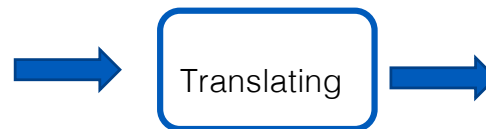
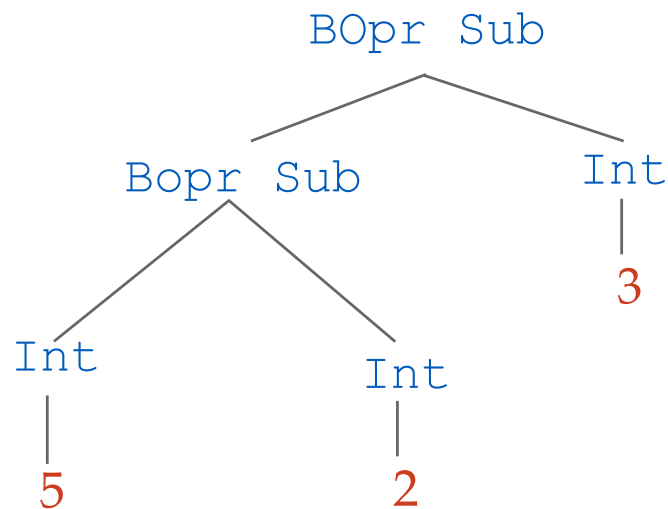
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```
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```


High-level functional language

```
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What are the conceptual differences?

Variable definition and use

High-level functional language

```
let x = 5 in x + 1
```

Stack-based language

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Stack-based language

```
Push (I 5) ;  
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How do we distinguish def and use here?

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Stack-based language

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How do we distinguish them?

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translate Let(x,t1,t2) = ??

How do we generalize?

Function definition and function call

High-level functional language

```
let rec fact x =  
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in trace (fact 10)
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Application

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translate Fun(f,x,t) = ??

translate App(t1,t2) = ??