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Part I Introduction to SOL

Chapter 1

SOL language introduction and examples

The project here presented aims at the realization of a full Compiler and execution environment for the SOL (Structured Odd Language) programming language. The execution environment comprises a Virtual Machine which executes the intermediate code (namely S-code) produced as result of the compilation. Such Virtual Machine embodies an interface that allows the user to load a source or compiled SOL file and execute it (eventually after compilation) and presents a pleasant and usable graphical environment for the input and output of data. An explanation of how this interface works and how it can be used to compile and execute a SOL file is presented in Chapter 7.

SOL is a classic procedural programming language.

In every SOL program there is a main function that contains the main code (just like the main procedure in C, with the difference that, here, we don't need to call this function in a particular way). The function is defined in a precise manner, as in Code 1.1.

```
func hello_world(): int
begin hello_world
write "Hello world!";
return 0;
end hello_world
```

Code 1.1: Hello world program

In this first example we can notice that a function definition is essentially divided in two parts: a *header*, in which the function's name and its return

type are declared, and a body in which the function's instructions are written. This first example, obviously, does not comprise all the elements allowed in a function's header. The purpose of the header is to define all the objects of the function's local environment, that is, all the objects usable in the function's body. These objects fall in five categories, and their definitions must be written in the presented order:

The function's parameters These are defined in the round brackets after the function's name as a list of variable definitions (as can be seen in Code 1.2). A variable definition must be in the form variable_name: type; and any number of variable of the same type can be defined with a single instruction by listing all the variables' names before the colon separated by commas. The types allowed in SOL are the simple types int, real, bool, string, char, the two complex ones vector and struct (whose syntax is defined later) and all the user-defined types.

```
func program( par, par_two: int; par_three: string; ): int
```

Code 1.2: Parameters

A list of types The definition of a type has the very same purpose of the instruction typedef in C, and any type can be redefined with a custom name, although this is particularly useful only with complex types. The syntax of a type definition is very similar to that of a variable definition, as can be seen in Code 1.3. In the same example we can also see how a complex type is defined. A vector must follow the syntax vector[size] of element_type; while for a struct one must write the keyword struct followed by round brackets in which a list of variables is contained. The variables in the list are the fields of the structure. The types are completely orthogonal (one can define a vector of structs containing vectors, for example).

```
type
from_slides: vector[10] of
struct(la: int: lala: vector[20] of vector[5] of real);
T2: string;
```

Code 1.3: Types

A list of variables This is similar to that in the definition of parameters, as in Code 1.4.

```
c: char;
2
       i: int;
3
4
       x, y, z: real;
       s: string;
5
       b: bool;
       r: struct( a: char; b: string; );
       v: vector [ 5 ] of int;
       w: vector [ 100 ] of struct( a: int; b: char; );
       out_x: real;
10
11
       out_v: vector [ 10 ] of real;
```

Code 1.4: Variables

A list of constants The definition of a constant is identical to that of variables except for the fact that a value must be assigned to each constant at definition time (see Code 1.5).

```
1     const
2          MAX: int = 100;
3          name: T = "alpha";
4          PAIR: struct( a: int; b: char; ) = struct( 25, 'c' );
5          VECT: vector [ 5 ] of real = vector( 2.0, 3.12, 4.67, 1.1, 23.0 );
6          MAT: vector [ 2 ] of vector [ 5 ] of real = vector( VECT, vector( x, y, z, 10.0, x+y+z ) );
```

Code 1.5: Constants

A list of functions Every function is defined exactly as the main one. These functions will be visible inside the main function since they are part of its environment. They can, obviously, contain other functions' definitions, and these are also visible by their parent function but not from their brothers and their brothers' children.

These are all the things that a function's header can contain. Note that none of this parts is mandatory. The only mandatory part is, in fact, the body (which can contain any instruction except a definition).

The body of a function must always contain a *return* statement in every branch (if the body is branched by a conditional statement and a branch contains a *return*, then every other branch must terminate with one too).

1.1 The body of a function - instructions of SOL

In this section we present all the instructions allowed in a SOL program (except for the definitions, explained before). They follow a syntax which is pretty standard, anyway.

1.1.1 Access to struct fields and vector values

Access to a field of a structure is done with a dot, while indexing a vector is done by enclosing the index in square brackets. Both operations are exemplified in Code 1.6. Note that a double dash starts a comment.

```
1    i, j: int;
2    l: string;
3    t: vector [ 5 ] of int;
4    s: struct( a: int; b: struct( c: string; ); );
5    v: vector [ 10 ] of vector [ 5 ] of int;
6    ...
7    -- Reference to the field a of the structure s
8    i = s.a;
9    -- Reference to the field c of the field b of the structure s
10    l = s.b.c;
11    -- Indexing of the fourth element of v
12    t = v[3];
13    -- Indexing of the second element of the first element of v
14    j = v[0][1];
```

Code 1.6: Examples of indexing and fielding

Also note that, as in the presented example, every indexing and fielding must be used as an operator of an expression, and an expression cannot be written as a standalone instruction (it can be used as rhs of an assignment, in another expression, as value passed to a parameter, etc).

1.1.2 Arithmetic expressions

In SOL, any numerical (integer or real) variable can be involved in an arithmetic expression, but the language does not provide implicit type coercion. This means that an expression can contain only real or only integer operands, but there are two functions that allow to mix things up by providing explicit casting. These two functions are *toint* and *toreal* (with obvious semantics).

The operands are the same for real and integer variables and are + (plus), - (minus), / (divide) and * (multiply). The minus operand can be applied to a single value to obtain its opposite (-a = -1*a), otherwise all the operands are binary, left associative, and multiply and divide have higher precedence than minus and plus (the unary minus has the highest precedence, though).

The operands in an expression are evaluated from left to right.

An example of arithmetic expression is presented in Code 1.7.

```
1  i, j: int;
2  x, y: real;
3  ...
4  x = toreal( i + j ) * ( r - toreal( i ) );
5  j = toint( x + y - 1.25 );
```

Code 1.7: Example of arithmetic expression

In this example we can also notice the syntax of an assignment, simply $variable_name = value;$.

1.1.3 Conditional constructs and logical expressions

There are two conditional constructs in sol: the conditional *expression* is an expression that assumes different values when different conditions apply, while the conditional *statement* is a construct that allows different lists of statements to be executed when different conditions apply.

The syntax of a conditional expression is presented in Code 1.8, while that of a conditional statement is presented in Code 1.9.

```
1 a, b, c: int;
2 ...
3 a = if b > c then b + c elsif b == c + 1 then b - c else a + 1 endif;
```

Code 1.8: Example of conditional expression

```
1  a, b, c: int;
2  ...
3  if a == b then
4   b = c;
5  elsif a > b then
6   c = b + a;
7  else
8   c = b - a;
9  endif;
```

Code 1.9: Example of conditional statement

Both constructs use the same keywords in the same order, in both cases after an *if* or an *elsif* there must be a logical expression and both constructs terminate with the keyword *endif* followed by a semicolon. The main difference is that in a conditional expression what follows a *then* or an *else* must be an expression returning a single value, while in a conditional construct such keywords can be followed by any number of statements. Moreover, in a conditional expression the *else* clause is mandatory (to ensure that the expression always assumes a value), while in a conditional statement is facultative. In both constructs the *elsif* clauses are not mandatory.

The logical expressions allows the boolean binary operators and (conjunction) and or (disjunction) and the unary not (negation). The negation operator has higher precedence than the other two.

Operands of a logical expression can be relational expressions, that is, expressions with arithmetic expressions as operands involving the operators == (equality), != (inequality), > (greater than), >= (greater than or equal), < (less than), <= (less than or equal), in (membership). The equality and inequality operators can be applied to any type of operands, while the other (except for the membership, which is somewhat special) can only be applied to integer, real or string operands. Operands must be of the same type. In the case of the membership, the second operand must be a vector and the first operand must be of the same type of the vector's elements.

Combining all the types of operators, the precedence goes as in Table 1.1 (precedence increases with the number of line).

and, or
==, !=, >, >=, <, <=, in
+, - (binary)
*, /
- (unary), not

Table 1.1: Precedence of operators

1.1.4 Cycles

There are three types of loop constructs in SOL: the while (Code 1.10), the for (Code 1.11) and the foreach (Code 1.12).

```
2 ...
3 while a >= b do
4 a = a - c;
5 endwhile;
```

Code 1.10: Example of while loop

```
i, k: int;
v: vector [ 100 ] of int;

int;

for i = 1 to 100 do
    k = k + v[i];
endfor;
```

Code 1.11: Example of for loop

```
1  i, k: int;
2  v: vector [ 100 ] of int;
3  ...
4  foreach i in v do
5   k = k + i;
6  endforeach;
```

Code 1.12: Example of foreach loop

In the for loop, the counting variable (i, in the example) cannot be assigned within the loop body. The semantics of the while and for loops is the classical one, and the foreach is, intuitively, a loop in which, at every iteration, the "counting" (it's not really counting) variable assumes the following value of the vector (in the example, v). It is a nice method of vector iteration.

1.1.5 Input/Output

SOL feature two instructions to produce output (write and wr) and two to request input (read and rd). The syntax of the four instructions is presented in Code 1.13.

```
1 a, b, c: int;
2 filename: string;
3 ...
4 write [ filename ] a;
5 b = wr [ filename ] a + c;
6
7 read [ filename ] a;
8 b = rd [ filename ] int;
```

Code 1.13: Examples of I/O instructions

The write and wr instructions both require to specify the name of the file on which the data has to be written in square brackets (not mandatory, if missing the output is presented on the standard output, ie the monitor), followed by an expression which result is the data to write. The difference is that wr also assumes that value and, therefore, it can be used as rhs (right hand side) of an assignment.

The read and rd instructions are, instead, slightly different from each other. Both require to specify the name of the file from which to read in square brackets (again, not mandatory), but read then requires the name of the variable in which the read data has to be saved, while rd requires the type of the data read. It then returns the read value assuming that it is of the specified type.

1.1.6 Function call

A function can be called simply by writing its name followed by a list of values for the parameters enclosed in round brackets, but it always have to be used as an operand of an expression.

1.2 A full sol program

We decided to implement *Conway's Game of Life* as an example of full program that can run with our SOL compiler and virtual machine. The program, in particular, allows us to test the I/O interface of the virtual machine in an extensive manner.

```
func game_of_life() : int
       lines: vector [ 15 ] of bool;
4
5
       grid: vector [ 15 ] of lines;
6
7
       state: struct( generation: int; world: grid; );
       input: struct( filename: string; load: bool; );
9
       generations: int;
10
       world_size: int = 15;
11
       str_summary: string = "Welcome to ORZ's Conway's Game of Life!";
12
       str_goodbye: string = "Thanks for playing with ORZ's Conway's Game of
```

```
Life! \n\n\tBye!";
14
        str_saved: string = "Your data has been successfully saved in the
15
16
         following file:";
        enter_filename: string = "Enter the filename of your world and if you'd
17
         like to load from a saved state.";
       enter_generations: string = "Enter for how many generations would you
19
20
         like to watch your world go by.";
        enter_world: string = "Your world doesn't exist yet.\nEnter it now.";
21
22
23
     -- Rules:
24
     -- * Any live cell with fewer than two live neighbours dies, as if caused
           by under-population.
25
         * Any live cell with two or three live neighbours lives on to the next
26
           generation.
     -- * Any live cell with more than three live neighbours dies, as if by
28
           overcrowding.
29
30
      -- * Any dead cell with exactly three live neighbours becomes a live
           cell, as if by reproduction.
31
     func next_state( current_state: grid; ) : grid
33
34
       var
35
         i, j, k, h: int;
         neighbours: int;
36
37
         state: grid;
38
       const
         neighbour_offset: vector[ 3 ] of int = vector( -1, 0, 1 );
39
40
41
     begin next_state
42
       for i = 0 to world_size-1 do
         for j = 0 to world_size -1 do
43
            neighbours = 0;
44
            foreach k in neighbour_offset do
45
             foreach h in neighbour_offset do
46
                if k != 0 or h != 0 then
47
                  if i+k >= 0 and i+k < world_size and
48
                     j+h >= 0 and j+h < world_size then
                    if current_state[ i + k ][ j + h ] then
50
51
                     neighbours = neighbours + 1;
52
                    endif:
53
                  endif:
54
                endif;
              endforeach:
55
56
            endforeach;
57
            state[ i ][ j ] = if current_state[ i ][ j ]
58
59
                                then neighbours == 2 or neighbours == 3
                                else neighbours == 3 endif;
60
         endfor;
62
       endfor;
63
64
       return state;
     end next_state
65
66
67 begin game_of_life
68
     write str_summary;
69
     write enter_filename;
     read input;
70
```

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```
71
72
     if input.load then
      read [ input.filename ] state;
73
74
      write enter_world;
      state.world = rd grid;
76
77
     endif;
78
    write enter_generations;
79
80
    read generations;
81
     for generations = 0 to generations-1 do
82
      state.world = next_state( state.world );
83
84
      state.generation = state.generation + 1;
85
      write state;
     endfor;
86
87
     write [ input.filename ] state;
88
89
     write struct( str_goodbye, struct( str_saved, input.filename ) );
90
91
     return 0;
92 end game_of_life
```

Code 1.14: Game of Life

Chapter 2

SOL language syntax specification

In this chapter is presented the formal specification of the syntax of SOL, informally presented in the previous chapter.

Note that the syntax is not left recursive, therefore it is suitable to both top-down and bottom-up parsing. The syntax is expressed in BNF and not in EBNF because we use YACC to implement the parser, and BNF maps directly to the specification of Yacc.

The precedence of operators is resolved automatically by defining four levels of operations.

```
program \rightarrow func \ decl
func \ decl \rightarrow \mathbf{func} \ \mathbf{id} \ (decl \ list \ opt):
      domain type sect opt var sect opt const sect opt func list opt func body
decl \ list \ opt \rightarrow decl \ list | \epsilon
decl \ list \rightarrow decl \ ; decl \ list | decl \ ;
decl \rightarrow id \ list : domain
id \; list \rightarrow id, id \; list \mid id
domain \rightarrow atomic \ domain \ | \ struct \ domain \ | \ vector \ domain \ | \ \mathbf{id}
atomic domain \rightarrow \mathbf{char} | \mathbf{int} | \mathbf{real} | \mathbf{string} | \mathbf{bool}
struct\ domain \rightarrow \mathbf{struct}\ (decl\ list)
vector \ domain \rightarrow \mathbf{vector} \ [\mathbf{intconst}\ ] \ \mathbf{of} \ domain
type\_sect\_opt \rightarrow \mathbf{type}\, decl\_list \,|\, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}
var \ sect \ opt \rightarrow \mathbf{var} \ decl \ list \mid \boldsymbol{\epsilon}
const sect opt \rightarrow \mathbf{const} \ const list \mid \boldsymbol{\epsilon}
const list \rightarrow const decl const list | const decl
const \ decl \rightarrow decl = expr;
```

```
func list opt \rightarrow func list |\epsilon|
func\ list \rightarrow func\ decl\ func\ list\ |\ func\ decl\ |
func\ body \rightarrow \mathbf{begin}\ \mathbf{id}\ stat\ list\ \mathbf{end}\ \mathbf{id}
stat \ list \rightarrow stat; stat \ list \mid stat;
stat \rightarrow assign\_stat \mid if\_stat \mid while\_stat \mid
     for stat | for each stat | return stat | read stat | write stat
assign \ stat \rightarrow left \ hand \ side = expr
left \ hand \ side \rightarrow id \ | fielding \ | indexing
fielding \rightarrow left\_hand\_side. id
indexing \rightarrow left\_hand\_side[expr]
if \quad stat \rightarrow \mathbf{if} \ expr \ \mathbf{then} \ stat \quad list \ elsif \quad stat \quad list \quad opt \ else \quad stat \quad opt \ \mathbf{endif}
elsif\ stat\ list\ opt\ 
ightarrow\ {f elsif}\ expr\ {f then}\ stat\ list
elsif\_stat\_list\_opt \rightarrow
, else |\epsilon|
else stat opt \rightarrow else stat list |\epsilon|
while stat \rightarrow \mathbf{while} \, expr \, \mathbf{do} \, stat \, list \, \mathbf{endwhile}
for stat \rightarrow \mathbf{for} id = expr \mathbf{to} expr \mathbf{do} stat list \mathbf{endfor}
for each \ stat \rightarrow for each \ id \ in \ expr \ do \ stat \ list \ end for each
return stat \rightarrow \mathbf{return} \ expr
read\_stat \rightarrow \mathbf{read} \, specifier\_opt \, \mathbf{id}
specifier \ opt \rightarrow [expr] | \epsilon
write \ stat \rightarrow \mathbf{write} \ specifier \ optexpr
expr \rightarrow expr \, bool \, op \, bool \, term \, | \, bool \, term
bool op \rightarrow and | or
bool term \rightarrow rel term rel op rel term | rel term
rel \ op \rightarrow == |!=| > | >= | < | <= | in
rel\ term \rightarrow rel\ term low\ bin\ op low\ term | low\ term
low\_bin\_op \rightarrow + | \_
low term \rightarrow low term high bin op factor | factor
high \ bin \ op \rightarrow * | /
factor \rightarrow unary\_op factor | (expr) | left\_hand\_side |
     atomic const | instance construction | func call | cond expr |
     built in call \mid dynamic input
unary \ op \rightarrow \_ | \mathbf{not} | dynamic\_output
atomic \ const \rightarrow \mathbf{charconst} \, | \, \mathbf{intconst} \, | \, \mathbf{realconst} \, | \, \mathbf{strconst} \, | \, \mathbf{boolconst}
instance \ construction \rightarrow struct \ construction \ | \ vector \ construction
struct\ construction \rightarrow \mathbf{struct}\ (expr\ list)
expr list \rightarrow expr, expr list | expr
```

```
vector\_construction \rightarrow \mathbf{vector}\ (expr\_list)
func\_call \rightarrow \mathbf{id}\ (expr\_list\_opt)
expr\_list\_opt \rightarrow expr\_list \mid \boldsymbol{\epsilon}
cond\_expr \rightarrow \mathbf{if}\ expr\ \mathbf{then}\ expr\ elsif\_expr\_list\_opt\ else\ expr\ \mathbf{endif}
elsif\_expr\_list\_opt \rightarrow \mathbf{elsif}\ expr\ \mathbf{then}\ expr\ elsif\_expr\_list\_opt \mid \boldsymbol{\epsilon}
built\_in\_call \rightarrow toint\_call \mid toreal\_call
toint\_call \rightarrow \mathbf{toint}\ (expr)
toreal\_call \rightarrow \mathbf{toreal}\ (expr)
dynamic\_input \rightarrow \mathbf{rd}\ specifier\_opt\ domain
dynamic\_output \rightarrow \mathbf{wr}\ specifier\_opt
```

Part II The Compiler

Chapter 3

Lexical and Syntactical analysis

Our compiler is written in the C language. It is divided in three main parts that correspond to the three stages of compiling, executed in sequential order:

- The lexical and syntactical analysis of the language, presented in this chapter, that together aim at determining whether the given SOL source file is well-written or not and to construct a data structure that describes the code in a functional manner;
- The semantical analysis, presented in Chapter 4, which aims at determining if the written statements (which are correct thanks to the previous analyses) make sense (e.g., performing the sum of an integer and a string makes no sense, therefore it is not semantically correct), relying on the data structure produced by the previous analysis;
- The code generation, presented in Chapter 5, which, given that the code is both well-written and semantically correct, translates it in a lower-level and standard code, easier to execute directly (and executed by the virtual machine, of which we will talk in Part III). The code is, again, generated starting from the data structure produced by the syntactical analysis, not from the "raw" code.

Our compiler uses LEX and YACC to perform lexical and syntactical analysis, respectively. These are two languages specifically designed for this purpose and they produce complete analysis programs written in C.

3.1 Lexical analyzer

LEX is used to produce a lexical analyzer in C language. After the LEX file compilation, we get a C file defining a function called yylex. This function reads from the input file, whose reference is stored in the variable yyin, and returns to the caller the first token found. While doing this, it creates a data structure (called symbol table and realized through an hash-map) containing all the symbols found in the code (that is, string constants and ids); this allows to create a single instance for every string given in input and to reduce name-checking from a comparison between strings to a comparison between pointers. If, during the analysis, an error is encountered (i.e., in the file is present something that isn't part of the language, like an id starting with a digit), the yylex function stops and produces an error calling the yyerror function.

This function will be called by the syntactical analyzer to check the syntax and produce the *syntax tree*, of which we talk in the next section.

The LEX file is divided in three parts. In the first part of the LEX file, the lexical elements (or *lexemes*) that need to be defined with a regular expression (such as the id) are defined, in the second part these lexemes are associated to a rule which defines the behavior of *yylex* when the specific lexeme is found, and the last part contains specific C functions used in the LEX rules of the second part. The lexemes that don't need to be defined in the first part are those whose denotation is fixed, such as keywords and operators.

The definition of lexemes for the SOL language is, for our compiler, the one presented in 3.1.

```
alpha
                     [a-zA-Z]
                     Γ0-97
2
   digit
                     {alpha}({alpha}|{digit}|_)*
   id
                     '([^\']|\\.)'
    charconst
                     {digit}+
   intconst
                     {digit}+\.{digit}+
   realconst
                     true | false
   boolconst
10
11
   comment
                     ([\t])+
   spacing
12
   sugar
                     [()\[\]{}.,;]
14
   %x strconst
```

Code 3.1: Lex definition of lexical elements

The rules associated to each lexeme must be in the form presented in Code 3.2. The value returned by each rule must be an identifier (i.e., the value of an enumerator) of the found lexeme.

```
1 lexeme { /*action when such lexeme is found*/; return lexeme_descriptor; }
```

Code 3.2: Lex rule

For the fixed lexemes (keywords and other simple stuff), the rules are usually as simple the ones in in Code 3.3. The complex lexemes, however, have a dynamic structure and hence are attached a value. This value must be elaborated from the raw textual value contained in the variable *yytext* and put in a new variable that will be used throughout the compiler. The elaboration consists, normally, in the conversion of the value to the correct type; for strings and ids the elaboration includes the addition of the textual value to the lexical symbol table. In our program, the destination variable is *lexval*, instance of *Value*, a union that can contain any type of value accepted by SOL (integer, real, string,...). The rules for the complex lexemes are all presented in Code 3.4.

Code 3.3: Lex rule for a keyword

```
{intconst}
                            { lexval.i_val = atoi( yytext );
2
                               return( INT_CONST ); }
   \Pi \setminus \Pi \Pi
                            { BEGIN strconst:
3
                               strbuf = malloc( sizeof( char ) ); }
   <strconst>([^"\n])*
                              concatenate_string( &strbuf, yytext ); }
   <strconst>\n[ \t]*
   <strconst>\"
                              lexval.s_val = new_string( strbuf );
                               BEGIN 0;
                               return( STR_CONST ); }
                            { yytext[ strlen( yytext ) - 1 ] = '\0';
10
   {charconst}
                               lexval.s_val = new_string( yytext + 1 );
11
                               return( CHAR_CONST ); }
12
                            { lexval.r_val = atof( yytext );
13
   {realconst}
                               return ( REAL_CONST ); }
14
                            { lexval.b_val = ( yytext[ 0 ] == 'f'
   {boolconst}
```

Code 3.4: Lex rules for constants and ids

The last line of 3.4 means that whatever doesn't match the previous rules must result in an error (in the regular expressions, "." means any character). Our LEX file contains also, for each rule, some debugging (enabled with an apposite flag) code which is not included here for clarity.

3.2 Syntactical analyzer

Similarly to Lex, Yacc is used to produce a syntactical analyzer in C. The compilation of the Yacc file produces a C file containing a function called *yyparse* that, through calls to *yylex*, checks syntax's correctness of the file and produces another data structure, the *Syntax Tree*, if everything is correct.

The syntax tree is realized using the Node structure, presented in Code 3.5 along with the union Value. A Node contains:

- The number of the line of code in which the represented syntactical symbol appears;
- A type, which says what the node represents. In particular, the type is represented as an enumerator which values are the terminals (integer constant, id, etc) and nonterminals (mathematical expressions, assignments, etc) allowed in SOL. To simplify the produced syntax tree, the nonterminals are divided in two categories: the qualified nonterminals, which are aggregates of nonterminals differentiated by mean of a qualifier (e.g. mathematical expressions are one type of nonterminal and their qualifier is the mathematical operator), and the unqualified nonterminals, which are those that cannot be aggregated (e.g. an if statement). To sum up things, the type can either be a terminal, a qualified nonterminal or the special value unqualified nonterminal. The specific type of unqualified nonterminal represented by the node is then contained in the node's value, as does the qualifier for qualified nonterminals;

- A value, represented through an instance of the union Value, that can be an elementary value (integer, string..) if the node is a terminal, a unique identifier determining the nonterminal type if the node is an unqualified nonterminal (the identifiers are represented as possible values of the enumerator NonTerminal) or a unique identifier determining the qualifier to be used if the node is a qualified nonterminal (these are represented as possible values of the enumerator Qualifier);
- A pointer to the *leftmost child*;
- A pointer to the first right brother.

```
typedef struct snode
2
3
     int line:
     Value value;
     TypeNode type;
      struct snode* child;
     struct snode* brother;
   } Node;
   typedef union
10
11
     int i_val;
12
13
      char* s_val;
      double r_val;
14
     Boolean b_val;
15
     Qualifier q_val;
     Nonterminal n_val;
17
```

Code 3.5: The Node structure

The syntactical analyzer (also called *parser*) stores as global variable a pointer to the root node of the tree. Note that the tree generated is not the *concrete tree* (that is, the tree that would be generated by direct application of the BNF definition) but an *abstract tree* that cuts off some nodes without loss of information but with great gain in space occupation an visiting time (e.g., the expressions are defined in 4 levels to maintain the correct precedence when analyzing the code; these levels are of no use after the code has been recognized in the correct order, therefore in the resulting abstract tree just the most specific level is preserved).

The YACC file is divided in three parts, whose purpose is the same as that of those in a LEX file. Here, in the first part instead of defining the complex lexemes we instruct YACC about which these lexemes are, by defining all the

possible unique identifiers returned by the LEX rules as *tokens*. The second part contains *translation rules* for every syntactical element of the language (all those defined in the *BNF* description, presented in Chapter 2), and the third part contains definitions for the C functions used in the translation rules.

A translation rule must create a *Node* and populate it with the appropriate informations. The structure of a translation rule is the one presented in Code 3.6.

```
syntactical_element : /*BNF definition*/ { $$ = /*code to the Node*/ }
| /*alternate definition*/ { $$ = /*alternate code*/ }
| ;
```

Code 3.6: Structure of a translation rule

At the left of the colon there is the name of the element, at the right there is a sequence of definitions, each associated to a code that is executed to create the node when that particular definition is found. The definitions are separated by a pipe and the rule must terminate with a semicolon.

In the code, the symbol \$\$ represents the lefthand-side of the rule, and the elements of a definition can be referred to as \$n, where n is the position of the element in the definition starting from 1.

The yyparse function generated starting from the YACC file implements a Bottom-Up Parsing method. In simple terms, the function is composed of two actions working on a stack, the action to execute is chosen basing the stack and on the next token. The first action, called shift, consists in pushing on the stack the newly found token; the second action, called reduce, simplifies a part of the stack according to the given BNF rules and executes the relative instructions

Knowing how the parsing works, we can understand why there must always be a "root" rule that will be matched at the first call of *yyparse* (if the code is correct, obviously) and associates the result of the subsequent calls to the global *root* variable, instead of assigning it to \$\$, like the other rules. In Code 3.7 we present, as an example, the root translation rule and the translation rule for a function declaration.

```
program : func_decl { root = $1; }

func_decl : FUNC ID { $$ = new_terminal_node( T_ID, lexval ); }

'(' par_list ')' DEFINE domain type_sect_opt var_sect_opt
const_sect_opt func_list_opt func_body
{
```

```
$$ = new_nonterminal_node( N_FUNC_DECL );
                    $$ -> child = $3;
                    Node** current = &($$->child->brother);
9
10
                    current = assign_brother( current, $5 );
                    current = assign_brother( current, $8 );
                    current = assign_brother( current, $9 );
12
13
                    current = assign_brother( current, $10 );
                    current = assign_brother( current, $11 );
14
15
                    current = assign_brother( current, $12 );
16
                    current = assign_brother( current, $13 );
17
                }
```

Code 3.7: Extract of the translation rules for SOL

Note that C code can be inserted in any position between the elements of the righthand-side, and it must produce something that will then be referred to as \$n, just like a normal element. In the presented example, we use this method to create a Node containing the id of the declared function, and this node is then assigned as leftmost child of the node created for the whole rule. This is a required practice for ids and other constants since their value is readable from *lexval* only after the token has been recognized and it's overwritten when the next token is found.

Chapter 4

Semantical analysis

The main function of this part is *yysem* (this time written entirely by us, as there's no language for generating a semantical analyzer automatically) in which we look through the whole Abstract Syntax Tree, generated before, and check if there are any error types between nodes, looking for semantical errors. To support itself in this operation, the analyzer produces a Symbol Table containing all the elements in the code, each of which will be associated with a detailed description of its position in the code, a unique identifier and a schema describing its type (simple or complex).

Please note that, even if this structure is called Symbol Table as the one produced during the lexical analysis, it is something entirely different, as in the lexical analyzer we have simply created an hashmap containing lexemes values of strings and identifiers, so there couldn't be any repetition of the same lexeme. [magari è già stato descritto durante l'analizi lessicale, quindi si può togliere da qui]

The Symbol Table is based on the following auto-esplicative C structures (Code 4.1):

```
// Structure to represent the Schema of a Symbol

typedef struct schema

{
    TypeSchema type;
    char* id;
    int size;
    struct schema* child;
    struct schema* brother;
} Schema;

// Structure to represent a Symbol in the Symbol Table

typedef struct symtab
```

```
13
   {
     // Name of the Symbol
14
15
     char* name;
     // Unique identifier in this scope
16
     int oid;
     // Class of the Symbol
18
19
     ClassSymbol clazz;
     // Pointer to the schema of this Symbol
20
21
     Schema* schema;
     // Environment/scope in which this Symbol is defined
22
23
     map_t locenv:
     // Scope deepness of the Symbol definition
25
     int nesting;
     // Number of oids' defined in this scope
27
     int last_oid;
     // Number of formal parameters (used only with functions)
28
29
     int formals_size;
     // Pointer to the formal parameters (only with functions)
30
     struct symtab ** formals;
32
   } Symbol;
```

Code 4.1: Symbol Table structure

Every symbol, depending on its type, has to be enumerated so it could be uniquely found when executing the code. We will differentiate between two possible enumerations: the first one is global, associated to every function defined in the code, and the second one is relative to the scope of every function, so we could define, for example, variables with same name, but each one belonging to different function scopes.

To make the relative enumeration possible and to check the visibility of a symbol, we have defined a stack representing the scope of the function in where we are.

Most of the semantic checks are related to the type schema compatibility between nodes in the same expression, so the first critical point is to create the correct schema of every node, in this way we will just have to check the equality of these schemas. Every time a function, a variable or a parameter, a constant and a type definition is found in the code, the Symbol Table is updated with its schema, so it will be more simply to access in the future and we don't have to recalculate its schema every time we found it.

Here we show an example of a Symbol Table (Code 4.2):

```
FUNC
                                TNT
          - 1
                            0
                prog
     CONST 15
                                  STRUCT( ATTR: a ( INT ), ATTR: b ( CHAR ) )
                 PAIR
                              0
     CONST 14
                              0
                                  STRING
3
                  name
     VAR
                  b
                              0
                                  BOOL
4
     VAR
            1
                              0
                                  CHAR
     TYPE
            0
                 T 2
                              0
                                  STRING
                                  STRING
     VAR
```

```
VECTOR[10]( REAL )
      VAR.
                               0
             12
                   out_v
9
      VAR
             11
                   out_x
10
      VAR.
              4
                               0
                                   R.E.A.I.
                                   VECTOR[100]( STRUCT( ATTR: a ( INT ), ATTR: b (
             10
                   v 2
11
        CHAR ) ) )
                   VECT
                               0
                                   VECTOR [5] ( REAL )
      CONST 16
12
13
      VAR
                   x
                               0
                                   REAL
                                   VECTOR[2]( VECTOR[5]( REAL ) )
      CONST
             17
                   MAT
14
                               0
                                    VECTOR[10]( STRUCT( ATTR: la ( INT ), ATTR:
15
      TYPE
             0
                   from_slides 0
        lala ( VECTOR[20]( VECTOR[5]( REAL ) ) ) )
16
      VAR
             9
                               0
                                   VECTOR [5] ( INT )
                   v 1
      FUNC
             2
                               1
                                   INT
17
        VAR
                                     REAL
18
                   У
19
        VAR.
                                     REAL
                                     VECTOR[10]( REAL )
20
        VAR
                     v
                                     STRUCT( ATTR: a ( INT ), ATTR: b ( STRING ) )
21
        VAR
               3
                     r 1
                                 1
22
        VAR
                    r2
                                     STRUCT( ATTR: a ( INT ), ATTR: b ( STRING ) )
                                   STRUCT ( ATTR: a ( CHAR ), ATTR: b ( STRING ) )
                               0
23
      VAR.
      CONST
24
                  MAX
      VAR
             2
25
                   i
                               Ω
                                   INT
      VAR.
                   z
                                   REAL
```

Code 4.2: Symbol Table example

The type checking has also to be done in expressions where there aren't only variables with a known schema: in this case we have to infere the schema of the not known part and check if it is equal to the known part, or also check if two unknown schemas are compatible each other.

To create a schema we used a recursive approach, descending through the node until its leaves, which have to be one of the possible *Atomic Domain* types.

A really useful function that we decided to implement is the *infere_lhs_schema*, needed to infere the schema of a *lhs term* that could be an orthogonal innested composition of *indexing* and *fielding* nodes, reaching at the end an *Atomic Domain* type. Our solution for *vector* and *structures* cases is here reported (Code 4.3):

```
switch( node -> value.n_val )
1
2
     case N FIELDING:
3
       result = infere_lhs_schema( node->child, is_assigned );
       if( result->type != TS_STRUCT )
         yysemerror( node -> child,
                PRINT_ERROR( STR_CONFLICT_TYPE,
                       "not a struct" ) );
10
       result = result -> child;
       while ( result != NULL )
11
12
          if( result->id == node->child->brother->value.s_val )
```

```
return result -> child;
14
15
          result = result ->brother;
16
        yysemerror( node -> child -> brother,
17
              PRINT_ERROR( STR_UNDECLARED,
                     "not a struct attribute" ) );
19
20
        break:
21
22
      case N_INDEXING:
23
        result = infere_lhs_schema( node->child, is_assigned );
24
        if( result->type != TS_VECTOR )
          yysemerror( node -> child,
25
                 PRINT_ERROR( STR_CONFLICT_TYPE,
26
                       "not a vector" ) );
27
^{28}
29
        simplify_expression( node -> child -> brother );
        if( infere_expression_schema( node->child->brother )->type != TS_INT )
30
          yysemerror( node -> child,
31
                PRINT_ERROR( STR_CONFLICT_TYPE,
32
                       "expression must be integer" ) );
33
34
35
        result = result -> child;
36
        break:
37
38
      default:
       yysemerror ( node,
39
              PRINT_ERROR( STR_BUG,
40
41
                     "unknown unqualified nonterminal expression" ) );
42
        break;
43
   }
```

Code 4.3: Symbol Table example

As we could see in this piece of code, we are checking the integrity of types, checking that the inferred schema is compatible with the case in which we are and, if this will not happen, we stop the analysis throwing a semantical error, using the *yysemerror* function, which tries to explain the error that is occurred. We could also see that a *simplify_expression* function is called whenever is possible, trying to simplify some a a priori computational parts, such as mathematical and logical operations with known values.

I'm going to list now some relevant type checks that a user should know to correctly use SOL language:

- relational expressions work only with Boolean types;
- in statement requires could only be applied to a vector;
- <, \leq , >, \geq could be applied only on *char*, *int*, *real* and *string* types, not to composition nor structured types;

- mathematical expressions work only with numbers, both *integers* and *reals*;
- toint and toreal statements work only on their opposite types, correspondingly reals and integers;
- assignment work only with parameters or variables;
- the iterative variable of the *for* loop cannot be re-assigned inside the cycle itself.

Our implementation of this last check is a little tricky, (we mean, yo dawg) because we temporary changed the type of the iterative variable to a *constant*, so per definition, it's not possible to change its value.

Chapter 5

Code generation

Starting from the tree generated by the syntactic analysis and the table produced by the semantical one, the *yygen* (again, written by us) function proceeds with the code generation. The function operates calling the recursive function *generate_code*, which proceeds starting from the root node and generating the code for all nodes from the tree's leftmost to the rightmost.

Since the function *yygen* operates on the product of the analysis steps, it doesn't check anything (if something was wrong, the compiler's execution would have been already stopped).

5.1 S-code specification

The code generation translates the SOL code in S-code code, a very low level language not dissimilar from Assembly.

Everything is done on three global stacks¹: the activation stack, the object stack and the instance stack. The activation stack contains the function's activation records, describing a function's local environment, and an activation record is added on the stack at the moment of a function's call. An activation record contains a reference to the starting point of that function's objects on the object stack. The object stack contains object descriptors, each of which describing a single object with its size and value, or a reference to the position of the value on the instance stack if that's the memorization mode of the object. The instance stack contains instances of the objects.

¹More details on the stacks are provided in Chapter ??.

Temporary values, such as partial results of an expression, are put on the instance stack and referred to through a temporary object on the object stack.

Every instruction has from zero to three operands and operates implicitly on the last values present on the stack (generally the last one or two). For example, the instruction to perform a sum of integers is called *IPLUS* and it has no operands: it takes the last two values present on the stack, sum them and put the result back on the stack. Obviously, as a standard procedure when using stacks, every value used is also consumed.

Note that the object stack contains an environment associated to every called function, and this environment can be divided in two parts: one "permanent" containing the objects defined in the function's header, and one "temporary" containing the objects used by the S-code instructions. The instructions that need to use the value of an object in the permanent part (such as an expression involving variables) make use of the instruction LOD to copy that variable's value on top of the stack (or a composition of multiple instructions to refer to a struct's field or a position in a vector) and, then, use the copied temporary value instead of the permanent one. In the same way, an assignment is performed by calculating the assigned value on the top of the stack and, then, copying it in the permanent part with the instruction STO.

5.2 The yygen function

When the yygen function is called, it automatically retrieves the root of the Syntax Tree and passes it to the $generate_code$ function. This function consists of a big switch of the node's type and, for every type, it generates an instance of Code (a structure pointing to a list of pointers to another structure Stat, which in turn contains the actual instructions, see Code 5.1 for the structures definition) in different ways depending on the type. If the type of the node is unqualified nonterminal, there is another big switch on the node's n_val (that is, the node's value determining the exact type of nonterminal represented).

```
typedef struct code {
Stat* head;
int size;
Stat* tail;
Code:
```

```
7 typedef struct stat {
8   int address;
9   Operator op;
10   Lexval args[ MAX_ARGS ];
11   struct stat* next;
12 } Stat;
```

Code 5.1: Code and Stat structures

The generate_code function returns the code which is concatenated following the order of recursion and, in the end, yygen gets the full code.

The code is represented, as can be deduced by the structure definition in Code 5.1, as a list of S-code statements, each of which is represented with its address (number of line), operator, an array of arguments (with a maximum number of 3 arguments) and a pointer to the next instruction.

At the end of the code generation, the instructions are printed to a file with extension *ohana* (name funnily derived from the *sol* extension, because sol..solo..han..han solo..ohana:D) using a function called *output code*.

5.2.1 Function problem

The generation of the code for function declarations and calls caused some problems because the call (which is translated as in Code 5.2) needs informations that can only be given after its code generation is done, but knowing that, for example, a function is allowed to call itself, the two code generations collide.

```
PUSH <number of formal parameters>

cnumber of local parameters>
cdistance between the call environment and the definition one>
COTO <entry point of function in S-code>
```

Code 5.2: S-code of a function call

Assuming that a function will only be called after it is defined, we decided to build a hashmap in which every function will put informations about itself at the time of its definition. This informations are the nesting of the environment in which it is defined and a reference to the *Stat* containing its first statement (that is, the instantiation of its first parameter, if the parameters are present). The hashmap also contains the number of objects defined in the function's environment, but this information can only be determined at the end of the function's body computation (the temporary variables for

for cycles, for example, are part of the function's environment but are not defined in the header)[toglierei tutta la ()]. The hashmap uses the function's oid as key.

When the code for a function call has to be generated, it retrieves the hashmap entry relative to the called function and it generates the instructions PUSH, GOTO and POP. At the moment of the call we can only be sure about the correctness of the second argument of PUSH (computed as actual nesting - definition nesting, the latter retrieved from the hasmap), therefore, the other two arguments are set as 0. At the end of the call, a new entry is put in a *stacklist*, containing the function's oid and a copy of the *Code* generated for the call (thus containing a pointer to the PUSH, GOTO and POP statements).

When the whole code has been generated, we process the entries in the call stacklist. Since now every function definition has been processed in full and the whole code has been produced, every entry in the hashmap will contain for sure the correct informations about the number of objects in the functions' environments, and the pointer to the first statement of every function will feature the correct code address. Therefore, for every entry in the stack we can retrieve the corresponding function descriptor (thanks to the oid) and substitute the first arguments of PUSH and GOTO with the right values.

5.2.2 Instantiation of temporary variables

While executing some examples, we have found that the *istack* wasn't empty at the end of the execution, but it still contains a lot of instances. We also noticed that this problem is code-dependent, in particular depending on the fact that the code that we are executing contains or not any sort of cycle. Looking at the generated code we have found that, every time a cycle were in an example, a lot of instances were allocated in the *istack* due to the fact that the temporary variables were allocated every time a cycle was used. The problem will get stronger when the examples contained some nested cycles.

Our solution for this issue was to separate the execution from the variable instantiation code, saving those two parts separately and then appending the code for the variable instantiation after the function variable instantiation, so every variable, temporary or not, defined in the whole function will be allocated only once.

Part III The Virtual Machine

Chapter 6

Structure of the virtual machine

The Virtual Machine is built as a standalone program. This means that it is not directly fed with the compiled code, but it has to read it from a ohana file produced by the compiler. The file is read using LEX and YACC, and the Code structure originally generated by yygen is rebuilt inside the virtual machine, this time simplified in a vector of Stat structures. Then, the function yyvm is called. This function takes the code, saved in the global variable program, and executes it statement by statement.

Being the program variable a vector, the yyvm function can simply iterate over its elements and execute each one of them using the function execute, implemented as a big switch over the statement's instruction that calls the appropriate execution function in correspondance of each instruction. The iteration is done using a global counting variable pc. Using a global variable that indicates the actual statement may seem very bad, but it allows us to perform a jump in the code (needed, since all the conditional constructs, loops and even function calls are performed via conditioned or unconditioned jumps) simply by changing the value of that variable.

6.1 Virtual machine structures

As anticipated in Chapter 5, S-code is a language designed to be executed with the support of three global stacks. In our virtual machine, these stacks are called astack, ostack and istack and are implemented as vectors of, respectively, pointers to Adescr, pointers to Odescr and bytes (which are simply chars, redefined for clarity with a #define). The implementation as vectors

allows for a simpler handling of the allocation, deallocation and reference of elements (the latter is done simply by recording the index of the referenced element).

All the instances are recorded as arrays of bytes.

The stacks, their base element's structures and a number of methods to interact with them are all defined in a file separated from the one defining the execution methods, called $support_structures.h$. Each stack has the method top to access its last element (easily done considering that there are three global variables, ap, op and ip, that reference to the first empty position in each stack), the astack and ostack have pop and push methods while the istack has two particular methods to perform the same thing on multiple entries, called $allocate_istack$ and $deallocate_istack$. The different in the approach is useful because, while the first two stacks are normally required to allocate/deallocate one element at a time, it is almost always the case that the istack needs to allocate multiple elements (eg if I want to put an integer on the stack, I will need four bytes or more, therefore I will have to allocate four elements).

Since the *ostack* is required to allocate a fixed number of objects at the moment of a function call, there is also a method to perform such task called *enlarge ostack*.

The global variables *asize*, *osize* and *isize* are used to keep track of the stacks' size and simplify their handling (eg check if a stack is full and needs to be reallocated in correspondance of a push).

The Adescr and Odescr structures are defined as in Code 6.1.

```
typedef struct {
     // Modality of saving of the object, either embedded or in the instance
     Mode mode;
     // Size of the object in bytes
     int size;
     // Value
     ObjectVal inst;
   } Odescr;
10
   typedef struct {
     // Number of objects contained in the activation record
11
     int obj_number;
     // Pointer to the first object of the activation record in object_stack
13
14
     int first_object;
15
     // Address were to return
     int raddr:
16
     // Address of the father (definition) in the astack
     int alink;
```

Code 6.1: Adescr and Odescr objects

An Adescr represents the activation record of a function, and is created and pushed on the astack every time a function is called. It contains informations on the function's local environment along with the reference to statement at which to return when the function's execution is done.

An *Odescr* represents an object and contains its instance's size and a reference to such instance. The instance can be saved in two "modes":

- Embedded mode: the *inst* field of the object is an array of bytes containing the instance;
- **Stack mode**: the *inst* field of the object is an integer referencing the position of the *istack* containing the first byte of the instance;

It's obvious that the stack mode will be preferred in the case of complex objects (structs and vectors), while the embedded mode is normally used for simple objects. All the "temporary" objects, simple or complex, are created in stack mode.

Moreover, a number of "mask" methods is used to push and pop temporary values of specific type on the stacks. These methods take care of splitting the values into bytes in the right way during the push and putting them back togheter at the moment of pop. These methods also create objects on the *ostack* to reference the temporary values put on the *istack*. There is one of them for every elementary type of SOL (int, real, string, char, booleans are treated as chars) and they rely on the methods *push_bytearray* and *pop_bytearray*.

6.2 Example of execution method¹

Given the premises of the previous section, the general execution scheme is pretty simple: access to temporary values is done via the pop/push mask functions, and access to objects is done by computing the object's index on the *ostack* starting from its environment offset (the definition environment

¹Only one example is reported because the details of all the instructions' execution methods are not particularly interesting and the code is heavily commented, if one would like to inspect it.

of the object is retrieved on the *astack* by iterating over the *alink* of the activation records) and applying the object's oid as index within the activation record's list of objects.

The execution procedure for a function's call is explained in the following subsection, as an example and because more complex than the others.

6.2.1 Function call execution

A function call, as we can recall from Section 5.2.1, is composed of three separate instructions: *PUSH*, *GOTO* and *POP*. The execution methods for these instructions is reported in Code 6.2.

```
// Push the chain and element_number on the istack, in preparation of the
       call to GOTO, and instantiate a new activation record
   int sol_push( Value* args )
3
     int formals_size = args[ 0 ].i_val;
4
     int locals_size = args[ 1 ].i_val;
5
     int chain = args[ 2 ].i_val;
     enlarge_ostack( locals_size );
10
     push_int( formals_size );
11
     push_int( locals_size );
12
13 #ifdef DEBUG
     fprintf( stderr, "SOL pushed el#: %d, %d\n", formals_size, locals_size );
14
15
16
     push_int( chain );
17
18
   #ifdef DEBUG
19
     fprintf( stderr, "SOL pushed chain: %d\n", chain );
20
21
   #endif
22
23
     return MEM_OK;
24 }
25
   \ensuremath{//} GOTO is used ONLY after a push, to perform a function call
26
27 int sol_goto( Value* args )
28 {
     int entry_point = args[ 0 ].i_val;
29
30
     int chain = pop_int();
     int locals_size = pop_int();
31
     int formals_size = pop_int();
32
33
     Adescr* function_ar;
34
36 #ifdef DEBUG
     fprintf( stderr, "SOL goto chain: %d\n", chain );
37
     fprintf( stderr, "SOL goto el#: %d, %d\n", formals_size, locals_size );
```

```
#endif
39
40
41
     // The number of elements is given, the start point for its objects is the
     // top of the stack (the objects will be instantiated as part of the
42
     // function call, not before)
     function_ar = malloc( sizeof( Adescr ) );
44
45
     function_ar -> obj_number = formals_size + locals_size;
     function_ar -> first_object = op - formals_size;
46
47
     function_ar -> raddr = pc + 1;
     function_ar -> alink = ap - 1;
48
49
     while ( chain -- > 0 )
50
       function_ar -> alink = astack[ function_ar -> alink ] -> alink;
51
52
53
     push_astack( function_ar );
54
     // Jump to the entry point (first instruction will be the definition of
       the formals)
56
     pc = entry_point - 1;
57
58
     return MEM_OK;
59
60
   // Clean the stacks after the last function call
62
   int sol_pop()
63
   {
64
     ByteArray function_result = pop_bytearray();
65
66
     for( i = 0; i < top_astack()->obj_number; i++ )
67
68
69
       // All the instances of the current environment are on top of the
       // istack, all I care about is to pop the correct total number of
70
       // cells, not the exact cells for every object
71
       if( top_ostack()->mode == STA )
72
          deallocate_istack( top_ostack()->size );
73
74
       pop_ostack();
75
76
77
     pop_astack();
78
79
     // Restores the result obtained from the called function
80
81
     push_bytearray( function_result.value, function_result.size );
82
83
     return MEM_OK;
   }
84
```

Code 6.2: Execution of a function call

Essentially, the *PUSH* instruction pushes its arguments on the stack. In addition to this, it calls the function *enlarge_ostack* to allocate enough space on the stack to accommodate all the objects in the function's local environment, avoiding the need for a realloc at every object push when the function's header code is executed (that code will contain a *NEW* or *NEWS* instruction

for every parameter, variable and constant of the function; those instructions simply perform a push on the ostack, and this causes the stack to be real-located by the size one element if it is full; the enlargement performed by PUSH prevents these multiple reallocations).

The GOTO instruction retrieves the values put on the stack by the PUSH and creates a new activation record with these informations and puts it on the astack. Note that the raddr field is, simply, a reference to the statement that follows the PUSH. After that, it performs a jump to the first instruction of the function.

Finally, the *POP* clears the entries of the local environment from the three stacks, taking care of putting the function's return value back on the stack.

Chapter 7

Input-Output handling

7.1 Interprocess communication

The communication between the virtual machine end the input-output resources is characterized by two kinds of data: a string containing a compact representation of the schema and an array of bytes containing the raw data to be passed from one side to the other.

The textual representation of the schema follows the simple EBNF rules shown in (7.1.1) and can be easily created and parsed with a recursive switch function.

```
format \rightarrow atomic-format \mid struct-format \mid vector-format
atomic-format \rightarrow \mathbf{c} \mid \mathbf{i} \mid \mathbf{r} \mid \mathbf{s} \mid \mathbf{b}
struct-format \rightarrow (attr \{, attr\})
attr \rightarrow \mathbf{id}:format
vector-format \rightarrow [\mathbf{num}, format]
(7.1.1)
```

The raw data matches the representation used inside the virtual machine's stack, with the only difference that the string pointers are replaced with the real content of the string, terminator included. Knowing the size of each element or, in the case of strings, having a known terminator makes it easy to pack and unpack the data from this representation to the needed one.

7.2 File system interface

When reading from a file, the request contains just the filename and returns the raw data, which is then parsed and translated into stack-acceptable data. If the file doesn't contain the expected data or doesn't exist, the virtual machine stops and a segmentation fault error is given to the user.

When writing to a file, the request contains the filename and the raw data to write.

7.3 Graphical interface

The virtual machine uses a graphical interface realized with the Qt5 graphical environment for the interaction of the program with the user (that is, the commands READ, WRITE, RD and WR make calls to the GUI).

All the graphical part is realized and managed in Python3 using the ui files created by the Qt5 Designer editor and is divided in two sub-scripts.

The first script, solGUI.py, simplifies the user's interaction with both the compiler and the virtual machine, allowing to open a file, compile it (if the opened file is a SOL source file) and execute it (if the opened file is an S-Code file or a SOL source file which has been compiled with the GUI); while performing these actions, solGUI always redirects the called executable's textual output to a text-box. The window appearing at the call of solGUI is shown in Figures 7.3.1 and 7.3.2; since in OS X and many recent operative systems the menu bar has its own dedicated space on the top of the screen, a particular of the File menu is shown in Figures 7.3.3 and 7.3.4.

The second script is called directly from within the virtual machine and shows the user specialized dialogs representing the given data's schema. If the intention was to show the user some data, the request contains also the raw data and the fields become read-only. Examples of the interface in these cases is shown in Figures 7.3.5 and 7.3.6 for data input and 7.3.7 and 7.3.8 for data output.

These dialogs are constructed through a simple automatic composition of widgets, done by the Python code. The dialog widgets are in fact divided in a widget for every type available in SOL plus a widget dedicated to the nesting of complex types. This widget is used when the represented type has, in the schema, a nesting level greater than 1 (e.g., a vector of vector of structs becomes, in the dialog, a matrix of nested widgets, each of which describing

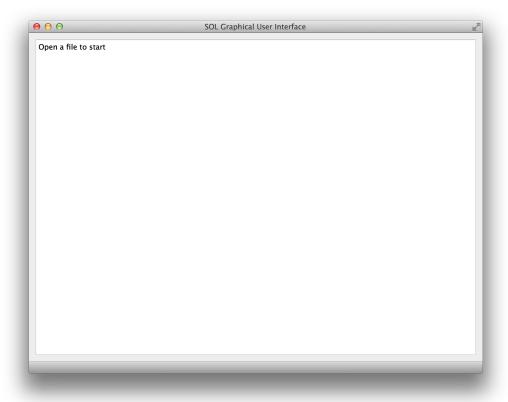


Figure 7.3.1: The main window of the GUI in OS X

the struct). This allows a generally simple and understandable representation of every type combination, although problems could arise in cases like three-dimensional matrixes, which become a matrix of nested widgets when the programmer might have meant to represent a vector of matrixes (hence a vector of nested widgets).

The composition of widgets is done easily thanks to the use of polymorphism and a method designed to translate the textual representation of the schema into the appropriate widgets. The method reads the first symbol of the schema and returns the appropriate instance of the class DataWidget, which will eventually parse a part of the schema to construct itself (e.g., the VectorWidget reads the number of elements) and then call once more the translation method, to get the widgets relative to its children. The code of the translation function is shown in Algorithm 7.1.



Figure 7.3.2: The main window of the GUI in Ubuntu 14.04

Open	жо
Compile	ЖD
Run	₩R

Figure 7.3.3: The File menu of the GUI on OS X

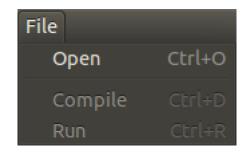


Figure 7.3.4: The File menu of the GUI on Ubuntu 14.04

age p	SOL Input	
random_data	Complex type	Complex type
	Complex type	Complex type
	Complex type	Complex type
initial		
		ОК

Figure 7.3.5: An example of an input dialog of the GUI on OS X

⊗ □ SOL Input							
age	0		•				
random_data	Complex type		Complex type				
	Complex type		Complex type				
	Complex type		Complex type				
initial							
			<u>o</u> K				

Figure 7.3.6: An example of an input dialog of the GUI on Ubuntu 14.04

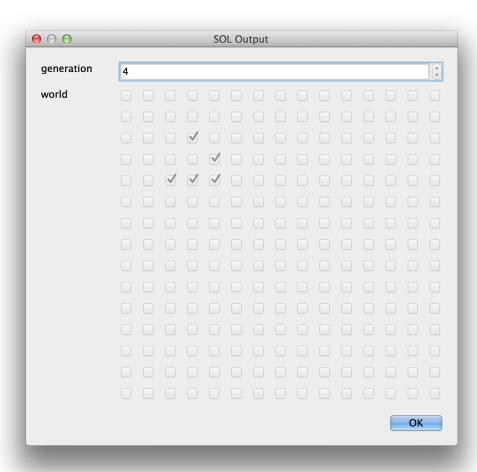


Figure 7.3.7: An example (taken from the execution of Algorithm 1.14) of an output dialog of the GUI on OS X

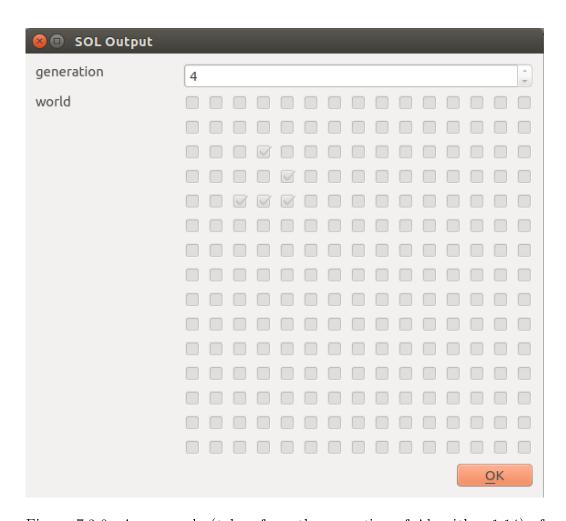


Figure 7.3.8: An example (taken from the execution of Algorithm 1.14) of an output dialog of the GUI on Ubuntu 14.04

Algorithm 7.1 The method used to translate the textual schema into the GUI widget

```
@staticmethod
        def resolveSchema(schema, nesting=None, editable=True):
2
            Transforms a string schema into a widget (or series of nested
5
            widgets)
            if len(schema) == 0:
                raise IndexError()
9
10
            if nesting is None:
                nesting = { 's': 0, 'v': 0}
11
12
            element = schema.popleft()
            if element == "i":
14
                return IntegerWidget().setEditable(editable)
15
            elif element == "r":
16
                return RealWidget().setEditable(editable)
17
            elif element == "c":
               return CharacterWidget().setEditable(editable)
19
            elif element == "s":
20
                return StringWidget().setEditable(editable)
21
            elif element == "b":
22
                return BooleanWidget().setEditable(editable)
23
            elif element == "[":
24
                if nesting['s'] > 1 or nesting['v'] > 1:
25
                    schema.appendleft(element)
26
                    return NestedWidget(schema, editable)
27
                else:
28
                   return VectorWidget(schema, dict(nesting), editable)
29
30
            elif element == "(":
                if nesting['s'] > 1 or nesting['v'] > 1:
31
                    schema.appendleft(element)
32
33
                    return NestedWidget(schema, editable)
34
                else:
35
                    return StructWidget(schema, dict(nesting), editable)
36
            else:
                return DataDialog.resolveSchema(schema, nesting, editable)
```

Part IV Conclusions and examples

Chapter 8 Conclusions

It works. Whatelse?

Appendix A

Examples of programs with compiled S-code

Here we report some program example written in SOL, along with their compiled S-code code, created while implementing the whole project.

A.1 Hello, World!

The .sol code could be seen in the tutorial section (Code 1.1), instead here we report it S-code (Code A.1).

```
1 SCODE 9
2 PUSH 0 0 -1
3 GOTO 4
4 POP
5 HALT
6 FUNC 1
7 LDS "Hello world!"
8 WRITE "s"
9 LDI 0
10 RETURN
```

Code A.1: Hello world S code

A.2 Permutations

This example calculates the permutations of a given set of characters, which are inserted by the user, in both recursive and iterative modes.

SOL code A.2

```
func main() : int
1
2
3
     type
       pseudo_string: vector[ 15 ] of char;
        permutation: struct( str: pseudo_string; perm: int; );
5
     var
       i: int;
9
       p: permutation;
10
       word: pseudo_string;
11
12
     const
       MAX_LEN: int = 15;
13
       INTRO: string = "Insert a word:";
14
15
16
     func new_pseudo_string() : pseudo_string
17
         result: pseudo_string;
18
19
         i: int;
20
     begin new_pseudo_string
21
       for i = 0 to MAX_LEN - 1 do
         result[ i ] = '\0';
22
23
       endfor;
24
       return result;
^{25}
     end new_pseudo_string
26
     func strlen( s: pseudo_string; ) : int
27
^{28}
       var i: int;
     begin strlen
29
30
       for i = 0 to MAX_LEN - 1 do
         if s[i] == '\setminus 0' then
31
32
           break;
33
          endif:
       endfor;
34
35
       return i;
     end strlen
36
37
38
     func strcat( s1, s2: pseudo_string; ) : pseudo_string
39
       var
40
         result, s: pseudo_string;
41
         c: char;
42
     begin strcat
       if strlen( s1 ) + strlen( s2 ) <= MAX_LEN then
43
         foreach s in vector( s1, s2 ) do
44
45
            foreach c in s do
              result[ strlen( result ) ] = c;
46
            endforeach;
          endforeach;
48
        endif;
50
51
       return result;
52
     end strcat
53
     func strcpy( str: pseudo_string; ) : pseudo_string
```

```
55
        var
56
          result: pseudo_string;
57
          i: int;
      begin strcpy
58
       for i = 0 to strlen(str) - 1 do
         result[ i ] = str[ i ];
60
        endfor;
61
        return result:
62
63
      end strcpy
64
65
      func recursive_factorial( number: int; ) : int
      begin recursive_factorial
66
       if number <= 2 then
67
68
         return number;
        endif:
69
70
        return number * recursive_factorial( number - 1 );
71
      end recursive_factorial
72
      func recursive_permutation( to_process: pseudo_string;
74
                                   base: pseudo_string;
                                   number: int; ) : pseudo_string
75
76
         next_step, current_base, result, temp: pseudo_string;
77
78
          i, j: int;
79
80
      begin recursive_permutation
        -- Returning if i have only one char to process
81
        if strlen( to_process ) == 1 then
82
         write vector( struct( "Recursive permutation:",
83
84
                                 number + 1,
                                 strcat( base, to_process ) );
85
86
          return strcat( base, to_process );
        endif;
87
88
        j = 0;
89
        temp = new_pseudo_string();
90
        while j < strlen( to_process ) do
91
92
          -- Resetting base to the argument value and resetting next_step
93
          current_base = strcpy( base );
94
95
          next_step = new_pseudo_string();
          -- Creating the new string to pass as argument
96
          for i = 0 to strlen( to_process ) - 1 do
            temp[ 0 ] = to_process[ i ];
98
99
            if i != j then
100
              next_step = strcat( next_step, temp );
101
            else
              current_base = strcat( current_base, temp );
            endif;
103
          endfor;
104
105
          -- Decrementing the size of the permutations
106
107
          result = recursive_permutation( next_step, current_base, number );
          number = number + recursive_factorial( strlen( next_step ) );
108
109
          j = j + 1;
110
        endwhile;
111
```

```
112
        -- Completly useless
113
       return result;
114
      end recursive_permutation
115
116
     func factorial( i: int; ) : int
117
118
        var result: int;
     begin factorial
119
120
       result = 1;
       for i = 2 to i do
121
        result = result * i;
122
123
        endfor;
124
       return result;
125
126
    end factorial
127
128
      func ceil( r: real; ) : int
       var result: int;
129
      begin ceil
130
       result = toint( r );
131
        if toreal ( result ) > r then
132
133
         result = result - 1;
        endif;
134
135
136
       return result;
137
     end ceil
138
139
      func floor( r: real; ) : int
140
       var result: int;
141
      begin floor
      result = toint( r );
142
        if toreal ( result ) < r then
143
        result = result + 1;
144
145
        endif;
146
147
       return result;
     end floor
148
149
150
      func mod( a, b: int; ) : int
      begin mod
151
      return a - ceil( toreal( a ) / toreal( b ) ) * b;
152
      end mod
153
154
      func is_even( a: int; ) : bool
155
156
      begin is_even
157
       return mod( a, 2 ) == 0;
      end is_even
158
159
160
      func xor( a, b: bool; ) : bool
      begin xor
161
162
      return ( a and not b ) or ( not a and b );
163
      end xor
164
      func next_permutation( p: permutation; ) : permutation
165
166
167
          result: permutation;
          len, i: int;
168
```

```
169
170
        func circ_shift( s: pseudo_string; a, b: int; ) : pseudo_string
171
          var
172
            i: int;
            temp: char;
        begin circ_shift
174
175
          for i = a to b-1 do
            temp = s[ i ];
176
            s[i] = s[i + 1];
177
            s[i + 1] = temp;
178
          endfor;
179
180
          return s;
        end circ_shift
181
182
        func flip( s: pseudo_string; a, b: int; ) : pseudo_string
183
184
          var
185
            i: int;
            temp: char;
186
        begin flip
187
          for i = 0 to floor( toreal( b - a ) / 2.0 ) - 1 do
188
            temp = s[ a + i ];
189
            s[a + i] = s[b - i];
190
            s[b - i] = temp;
191
192
           endfor;
193
          return s;
        end flip
194
195
196
      begin next_permutation
197
        len = strlen( p.str );
198
199
        p.perm = p.perm + 1;
200
        if p.perm == factorial( len ) then
          p.perm = 0;
201
202
          p.str = flip( p.str, 0, len - 1 );
203
204
          return p;
        endif;
205
206
207
        for i = 2 to len do
          if mod(p.perm, factorial(i))!= 0 then
208
209
            p.str = circ_shift( flip( p.str, len - i + 1, len - 1 ),
                                  len - i,
210
                                  len - 1);
211
            break;
212
213
          endif;
214
        endfor;
215
216
        return p;
217
      end next_permutation
218
219 begin main
    write INTRO;
220
221
      p.str = rd pseudo_string;
      word = p.str;
222
223
      write vector( struct( "Word: ", word ) );
224
225
```

```
-- Iterative permutations
226
227
      for i = 0 to factorial ( strlen( p.str ) ) - 1 do
228
       p = wr next_permutation( p );
^{229}
      endfor;
230
      -- Recursive permutations
231
232
      word = recursive_permutation( word, new_pseudo_string(), 0 );
      return 0;
233
234 end main
```

Code A.2: SOL code of Permutations

S Code A.3

```
1 SCODE 666
2 PUSH 0 7 -1
3 GOTO 4
   POP
5 HALT
6 FUNC 1
7 NEW 4
   NEWS 19
   NEWS 15
10 NEWS 15
11 NEW 4
12 NEW 8
   LDI 15
13
14
   STO 0 5
15 LDS "Insert a word:"
16 STO 0 6
17 NEW 4
18
   LOD 0 6
19 WRITE "s"
20 LDA 0 2
21 RD "[15,c]"
22 IST
   LDA 0 2
23
24 EIL 15
25 STO 0 3
26 LDS "Word:"
27 LOD 0 3
   CAT 2 23
28
29 CAT 1 23
30 WRITE "[1,(:s,:[15,c])]"
31 LDA 0 2
32 EIL 15
33
   PUSH 1 2 0
34 GOTO 95
35 POP
36 PUSH 1 2 0
37 GOTO 371
38 POP
39 LDI 1
40 IMINUS
41 STO 0 7
42 LDI 0
```

```
43 STO 0 1
44 LOD 0 1
45 LOD 0 7
46 ILE
47 JMF 12
48 LOD 0 2
49 PUSH 1 4 0
50 GOTO 469
51 POP
52 WR "(str:[15,c],perm:i)"
53 STO 0 2
54 LOD 0 1
55 LDI 1
56 IPLUS
57 STO 0 1
58 JMP - 14
59 LOD 0 3
60 PUSH 0 3 0
61 GOTO 69
62 POP
63
   LDI 0
64 PUSH 3 7 0
65 GOTO 248
66 POP
67 STO 0 3
68 LDI 0
69 RETURN
70 FUNC 2
71 NEWS 15
72 NEW 4
73 NEW 4
74 LOD 1 5
75 LDI 1
76 IMINUS
77 STO 0 3
   LDI 0
79 STO 0 2
80 LOD 0 2
81 LOD 0 3
82 ILE
83 JMF 11
84 LDA 0 1
85 LOD 0 2
86 IXA 1
87 LDC '\0'
88 IST
89 LOD 0 2
90 LDI 1
91 IPLUS
92 STO 0 2
93 JMP - 13
94 LOD 0 1
95 RETURN
96 FUNC 3
97 NEW 4
98 NEW 4
99 LOD 1 5
```

```
100 LDI 1
101
    IMINUS
102 STO 0 3
103 LDI 0
104 STO 0 2
105 LOD 0 2
106
    LOD 0 3
107 ILE
108 JMF 15
109 LDA 0 1
110 LOD 0 2
111
    IXA 1
112 EIL 1
113 LDC '\0'
114 EQU
115 JMF 3
116
    JMP 7
117 JMP 1
118 LOD 0 2
119 LDI 1
120
    IPLUS
121 STO 0 2
122 JMP - 17
123 LOD 0 2
124 RETURN
125 FUNC 4
126 NEWS 15
127 NEWS 15
128 NEW 1
129 NEWS 30
130
    NEW 4
131 NEW 4
132 NEWS 15
133 NEW 4
134 NEW 4
135
    LOD 0 1
136 PUSH 1 2 1
137 GOTO 95
138 POP
139
    LOD 0 2
140 PUSH 1 2 1
141 GOTO 95
142 POP
143 IPLUS
144 LOD 1 5
145 ILE
146 JMF 52
147 LOD 0 1
148 LOD 0 2
149
    CAT 2 30
150 STO 0 6
151 LDI 1
152 STO 0 8
153 LDI 0
154 STO 0 7
155 LOD 0 7
156 LOD 0 8
```

```
157 ILE
158 JMF 39
159 LDA 0 6
160 LOD 0 7
161 IXA 15
162 EIL 15
163
    STO 0 4
164 LOD 0 4
165 STO 0 9
166 LDI 14
167 STO 0 11
168
    LDI O
169 STO 0 10
170 LOD 0 10
171 LOD 0 11
172 ILE
173
    JMF 19
174 LDA 0 9
175 LOD 0 10
176 IXA 1
177 EIL 1
178 STO 0 5
179 LDA 0 3
180 LOD 0 3
181 PUSH 1 2 1
182 GOTO 95
183 POP
184 IXA 1
185 LOD 0 5
186 IST
187 LOD 0 10
188 LDI 1
189 IPLUS
190 STO 0 10
191 JMP - 21
192
    LOD 0 7
193 LDI 1
194 IPLUS
195 STO 0 7
196 JMP - 41
197 JMP 1
198 LOD 0 3
199 RETURN
200 FUNC 5
201 NEWS 15
202 NEW 4
203 NEW 4
204 LOD 0 1
205 PUSH 1 2 1
206 GOTO 95
207 POP
208 LDI 1
209 IMINUS
210 STO 0 4
211
    LDI 0
212 STO 0 3
213 LOD 0 3
```

```
214 LOD 0 4
215 ILE
216 JMF 14
217 LDA 0 2
218 LOD 0 3
219 IXA 1
220 LDA 0 1
221 LOD 0 3
222 IXA 1
223 EIL 1
224 IST
225 LOD 0 3
226 LDI 1
227 IPLUS
228 STO 0 3
229 JMP -16
230 LOD 0 2
231 RETURN
232 FUNC 6
233 LOD 0 1
234 LDI 2
235 ILE
236 JMF 4
237 LOD 0 1
238 RETURN
239 JMP 1
240 LOD 0 1
241 LOD 0 1
242 LDI 1
243 IMINUS
244 PUSH 1 0 1
245 GOTO 231
246 POP
247 ITIMES
248 RETURN
249 FUNC 7
250 NEWS 15
251 NEWS 15
252 NEWS 15
253 NEWS 15
254 NEW 4
255 NEW 4
256 NEW 4
257 LOD 0 1
258 PUSH 1 2 1
259 GOTO 95
260 POP
261 LDI 1
262 EQU
263 JMF 20
264 LDS "Recursive permutation:"
265 LOD 0 3
266 LDI 1
267 IPLUS
268 LOD 0 2
269 LOD 0 1
270 PUSH 2 9 1
```

```
271 GOTO 124
272 POP
273 CAT 3 27
274 CAT 1 27
275 WRITE "[1,(:s,:i,:[15,c])]"
276 LOD 0 2
277
    LOD 0 1
278 PUSH 2 9 1
279 GOTO 124
280 POP
281 RETURN
282
    JMP 1
283 LDI 0
284 STO 0 9
285 PUSH 0 3 1
286 GOTO 69
287 POP
288 STO 0 7
289 LOD 0 9
290 LOD 0 1
291 PUSH 1 2 1
292 GOTO 95
293 POP
294 ILT
295 JMF 75
296
    LOD 0 2
297 PUSH 1 3 1
298 GOTO 199
299 POP
300 STO 0 5
301
    PUSH 0 3 1
302 GOTO 69
303 POP
304 STO 0 4
305 LOD 0 1
306 PUSH 1 2 1
307 GOTO 95
308 POP
309 LDI 1
310 IMINUS
311 STO 0 10
312 LDI 0
313 STO 0 8
314 LOD 0 8
315 LOD 0 10
316 ILE
317 JMF 31
318 LDA 0 7
319 LDI 0
320
    IXA 1
321 LDA 0 1
322 LOD 0 8
323 IXA 1
324 EIL 1
325
    IST
326 LOD 0 8
327 LOD 0 9
```

```
328 NEQ
329 JMF 8
330 LOD 0 4
331 LOD 0 7
332 PUSH 2 9 1
333 GOTO 124
334
    POP
335 STO 0 4
336 JMP 7
337 LOD 0 5
338 LOD 0 7
339 PUSH 2 9 1
340 GOTO 124
341 POP
342 STO 0 5
343 LOD 0 8
344 LDI 1
345 IPLUS
346 STO 0 8
347 JMP - 33
348
    LOD 0 4
349 LOD 0 5
350 LOD 0 3
351 PUSH 3 7 1
352 GOTO 248
353
    POP
354 STO 0 6
355 LOD 0 3
356 LOD 0 4
357 PUSH 1 2 1
358
    GOTO 95
359 POP
360 PUSH 1 0 1
361 GOTO 231
362 POP
363
    IPLUS
364 STO 0 3
365 LOD 0 9
366 LDI 1
367 IPLUS
368 STO 0 9
369 JMP -80
370 LOD 0 6
371 RETURN
372 FUNC 8
373 NEW 4
374 NEW 4
375 LDI 1
376 STO 0 2
    LOD 0 1
378 STO 0 3
379 LDI 2
380 STO 0 1
381 LOD 0 1
382
    LOD 0 3
    ILE
383
384 JMF 10
```

```
385 LOD 0 2
386 LOD 0 1
387 ITIMES
388 STO 0 2
389 LOD 0 1
390 LDI 1
391
    IPLUS
392 STO 0 1
393 JMP - 12
394 LOD <mark>0 2</mark>
395 RETURN
396 FUNC 9
397 NEW 4
398 LOD 0 1
399 TOINT
400 STO 0 2
401 LOD 0 2
402 TOREAL
403 LOD 0 1
404 RGT
405
    JMF 6
406 LOD 0 2
407 LDI 1
408 IMINUS
409 STO 0 2
410 JMP 1
411 LOD 0 2
412 RETURN
413 FUNC 10
414 NEW 4
415
    LOD 0 1
416 TOINT
417 STO 0 2
418 LOD 0 2
419 TOREAL
420
    LOD 0 1
421 RLT
422 JMF 6
423 LOD 0 2
424 LDI 1
425
    IPLUS
426 STO 0 2
427 JMP 1
428 LOD 0 2
429
    RETURN
430 FUNC 11
431 LOD 0 1
432 LOD 0 1
433 TOREAL
434
    LOD 0 2
435 TOREAL
436 RDIV
437 PUSH 1 1 1
438 GOTO 395
439
    POP
440 LOD 0 2
441 ITIMES
```

```
442 IMINUS
443
    RETURN
444 FUNC 12
445 LOD 0 1
446 LDI 2
447 PUSH 2 0 1
448
    GOTO 429
449 POP
450 LDI 0
451 EQU
452 RETURN
453 FUNC 13
454 LOD 0 1
455 JMF 4
456 LOD 0 2
457 NEG
458
    JMP 2
459 LDC 'O'
460 JMF 3
461 LDC '1'
462 JMP 7
463 LOD 0 1
464 NEG
465 JMF 3
466 LOD 0 2
467
   JMP 2
468 LDC '0'
469 RETURN
470 FUNC 14
471 NEWS 19
472
    NEW 4
473 NEW 4
474 NEW 4
475 LDA 0 1
476 EIL 15
477 PUSH 1 2 1
478 GOTO 95
479 POP
480 STO 0 3
481 LDA 0 1
482 FDA 15
483 LDA 0 1
484 FDA 15
485 EIL 4
486
    LDI 1
487 IPLUS
488 IST
489 LDA 0 1
490 FDA 15
491
    EIL 4
492 LOD 0 3
493 PUSH 1 2 1
494 GOTO 371
495 POP
496
    EQU
497 JMF 19
498 LDA 0 1
```

```
499 FDA 15
500 LDI 0
501 IST
502 LDA 0 1
503 LDA 0 1
504 EIL 15
505
    LDI 0
506 LOD 0 3
507 LDI 1
508 IMINUS
509 PUSH 3 3 0
510 GOTO 612
511 POP
512 IST
513 LOD 0 1
514 RETURN
515 JMP 1
516 LOD 0 3
517 STO 0 5
518 LDI 2
519 STO 0 4
520 LOD 0 4
521 LOD 0 5
522 ILE
523 JMF 45
524
    LDA 0 1
525 FDA 15
526 EIL 4
527 LOD 0 4
528 PUSH 1 2 1
529
    GOTO 371
530 POP
531 PUSH 2 0 1
532 GOTO 429
533 POP
534
    LDI 0
535 NEQ
536 JMF 27
537 LDA 0 1
538 LDA 0 1
539 EIL 15
540 LOD 0 3
541 LOD 0 4
542 IMINUS
543 LDI 1
544 IPLUS
545 LOD 0 3
546 LDI 1
547 IMINUS
548
    PUSH 3 3 0
549 GOTO 612
550 POP
551 LOD 0 3
552 LOD 0 4
553
    IMINUS
554 LOD 0 3
555 LDI 1
```

```
556 IMINUS
557 PUSH 3 3 0
558 GOTO 569
560 IST
561 JMP 7
562
    JMP 1
563 LOD 0 4
564 LDI 1
565 IPLUS
566 STO 0 4
567
    JMP -47
568 LOD 0 1
569 RETURN
570 FUNC 15
571 NEW 4
572 NEW 1
573 NEW 4
574 LOD 0 3
575 LDI 1
    IMINUS
577 STO 0 6
578 LOD 0 2
579 STO 0 4
580 LOD 0 4
581
    LOD 0 6
582
    ILE
583 JMF 28
584 LDA 0 1
585 LOD 0 4
    IXA 1
587 EIL 1
588 STO 0 5
589 LDA 0 1
590 LOD 0 4
591
    IXA 1
592 LDA 0 1
593 LOD 0 4
594 LDI 1
595
    IPLUS
596 IXA 1
597 EIL 1
599 LDA 0 1
600 LOD 0 4
601 LDI 1
602 IPLUS
603 IXA 1
604 LOD 0 5
605
    IST
606 LOD 0 4
607 LDI 1
608 IPLUS
609 STO 0 4
610 JMP -30
611 LOD 0 1
612 RETURN
```

```
613 FUNC 16
614
    NEW 4
615 NEW 1
616 NEW 4
617 LOD 0 3
618 LOD 0 2
619
    IMINUS
    TOREAL
620
621 LDR 2.000000
622 RDIV
   PUSH 1 1 2
623
624
   GOTO 412
625 POP
626 LDI 1
627 IMINUS
    STO 0 6
628
629
    LDI 0
630 STO 0 4
631 LOD 0 4
632 LOD 0 6
633
    ILE
   JMF 32
634
635 LDA 0 1
636 LOD 0 2
637 LOD 0 4
638
    IPLUS
    IXA 1
639
640 EIL 1
641 STO 0 5
642 LDA 0 1
643
    LOD 0 2
644 LOD 0 4
645 IPLUS
646 IXA 1
647 LDA 0 1
    LOD 0 3
   LOD 0 4
649
650 IMINUS
651 IXA 1
652
    EIL 1
653
    IST
654 LDA 0 1
655 LOD 0 3
656 LOD 0 4
657
    IMINUS
658
    IXA 1
659 LOD 0 5
660 IST
661 LOD 0 4
662
    LDI 1
663
   IPLUS
664 STO 0 4
665 JMP -34
666 LOD 0 1
667 RETURN
```

Code A.3: S code of Permutations

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The *.sol* code could be seen in the tutorial section (Code 1.14). Here we report its S code (Code A.4).

```
1 SCODE 270
2 PUSH 0 11 -1
3 GOTO 4
   POP
5 HALT
 6 FUNC 1
 7 NEWS 229
8 NEWS 9
   NEW 4
10 NEW 4
11 NEW 8
12 NEW 8
13 NEW 8
   NEW 8
14
15 NEW 8
16 NEW 8
17 LDI 15
18 STO 0 4
   LDS "Welcome to ORZ's Conway's Game of Life!"
20 STO 0 5
21 LDS "Thanks for playing with ORZ's Conway's Game of Life!\n\n\tBye!"
22 STO 0 6
23 LDS "Your data has been successfully saved in the following file:"
24 STO 0 7
25 LDS "Enter the filename of your world and if you'd like to load from a saved
        state."
26 STO 0 8
27 LDS "Enter for how many generations would you like to watch your world go by
28 STO 0 9
29 LDS "Your world doesn't exist yet.\nEnter it now."
30 STO 0 10
31
   NEW 4
32 LOD 0 5
33 WRITE "s"
34 LOD 0 8
35 WRITE "s"
36 READ 0 2 "(filename:s,load:b)"
37 LDA 0 2
38 FDA 8
39 EIL 1
40 JMF 5
   LDA 0 2
42 EIL 8
43 FREAD 0 1 "(generation:i,world:[15,[15,b]])"
44 JMP 7
   LOD 0 10
45
   WRITE "s"
47 LDA 0 1
48 FDA 4
```

```
49 RD "[15,[15,b]]"
50 IST
51 LOD 0 9
52 WRITE "s"
53 READ 0 3 "i"
54 LOD 0 3
55 STO 0 11
56 LDI 0
57 STO 0 3
58 LOD 0 3
59 LOD 0 11
60 ILE
61 JMF 23
62 LDA 0 1
63 FDA 4
64 LDA 0 1
65 FDA 4
66 EIL 225
67 PUSH 1 15 0
68 GOTO 96
69 POP
70 IST
71 LDA 0 1
72 LDA 0 1
73 EIL 4
74 LDI 1
75 IPLUS
76 IST
77 LOD 0 1
78 WRITE "(generation:i,world:[15,[15,b]])"
79 LOD 0 3
80 LDI 1
81 IPLUS
82 STO 0 3
83 JMP - 25
84
   LOD 0 1
85 LDA 0 2
86 EIL 8
87 FWRITE "(generation:i,world:[15,[15,b]])"
88 LOD 0 6
89 LOD 0 7
90 LDA 0 2
91 EIL 8
92 CAT 2 16
93 CAT 2 24
94 WRITE "(:s,:(:s,:s))"
95 LDI 0
96 RETURN
97 FUNC 2
98 NEW 4
99 NEW 4
100 NEW 4
101 NEW 4
102 NEW 4
103
    NEWS 225
104 NEWS 12
105 LDI - 1
```

```
107 LDI 1
108 CAT 3 12
109 STO 0 8
110 NEW 4
111 NEW 4
112
    NEWS 12
113 NEW 4
114 NEW 4
115 NEWS 12
116 NEW 4
117 NEW 4
118 LOD 1 4
119 STO 0 9
120 LDI 0
121 STO 0 2
122
    LOD 0 2
123 LOD 0 9
124 ILE
125 JMF 145
126
    LOD 1 4
127 STO 0 10
128 LDI 0
129 STO 0 3
130 LOD 0 3
131
    LOD 0 10
    ILE
132
133 JMF 132
134 LDI 0
135 STO 0 6
136
    LOD 0 8
137 STO 0 11
138 LDI 2
139 STO 0 13
140 LDI 0
141
    STO 0 12
142 LOD 0 12
143 LOD 0 13
144 ILE
145 JMF 89
146 LDA 0 11
147 LOD 0 12
148 IXA 4
149 EIL 4
150 STO 0 4
151 LOD 0 8
152 STO 0 14
153 LDI 2
154 STO 0 16
155
    LDI 0
156 STO 0 15
157 LOD 0 15
158 LOD 0 16
159 ILE
160
    JMF 69
161 LDA 0 14
162 LOD 0 15
```

106 LDI 0

```
163 IXA 4
164 EIL 4
165 STO 0 5
166 LOD 0 4
167 LDI 0
168 NEQ
169
    JMF 3
170 LDC '1'
171 JMP 4
172 LOD 0 5
173 LDI 0
174
    NEQ
175 JMF 49
176 LOD 0 2
177 LOD 0 4
178
    IPLUS
179
    LDI 0
180 IGE
181 JMF 7
182 LOD 0 2
183
    LOD 0 4
184 IPLUS
185 LOD 1 4
186 ILT
187 JMP 2
    LDC 'O'
188
    JMF 7
189
190 LOD 0 3
191 LOD 0 5
192 IPLUS
193
    LDI 0
194 IGE
195 JMP 2
196 LDC '0'
197 JMF 7
198
    LOD 0 3
199 LOD 0 5
200 IPLUS
201 LOD 1 4
202 ILT
203 JMP 2
204 LDC '0'
205 JMF 18
206 LDA 0 1
207 LOD 0 2
208 LOD 0 4
209 IPLUS
210 IXA 15
211 LOD 0 3
212
    LOD 0 5
213 IPLUS
214 IXA 1
215 EIL 1
216 JMF 6
217
    LOD 0 6
    LDI 1
218
219 IPLUS
```

```
220 STO 0 6
221
    JMP 1
222 JMP 1
223 JMP 1
224 LOD 0 15
225 LDI 1
^{226}
    IPLUS
227 STO 0 15
228 JMP - 71
229 LOD 0 12
230 LDI 1
231
    IPLUS
232 STO 0 12
233 JMP - 91
234 LDA 0 7
235
    LOD 0 2
^{236}
    IXA 15
237 LOD 0 3
238 IXA 1
239 LDA 0 1
240
    LOD 0 2
    IXA 15
241
242 LOD 0 3
243 IXA 1
244 EIL 1
    JMF 11
^{245}
    LOD 0 6
^{246}
247 LDI 2
248 EQU
249 JMF 3
250
    LDC '1'
251 JMP 4
252 LOD 0 6
253 LDI 3
254 EQU
255
    JMP 4
256 LOD 0 6
257 LDI 3
258 EQU
259
    IST
    LOD 0 3
260
261 LDI 1
262 IPLUS
263 STO 0 3
    JMP -134
264
^{265}
    LOD 0 2
266 LDI 1
267 IPLUS
268 STO 0 2
269
    JMP -147
270 LOD 0 7
271 RETURN
```

Code A.4: S code of ORZ's Conway's Game of Life