CSC488 Code Generation Templates

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1 Storage

During the code generation, we will associate each variable with its lexical level and offset (the number of 16-bit words from the starting address of the activation record at its lexical level) in the symbol table so that we can access the variable. The address of a scalar variable will be display[lexical level] + offset; the address of an array variable at index i will be display[lexical level] + offset + (i - lower bound).

1.1 Variables in the main program

Variables in the main program will be stored in the activation record of the main scope, which will be pointed by the 0th display register (lexical level = 0). Each declared variable will be initialized with UNDEFINED. For each scalar variable declaration, we will emit the following instructions, where num_vars is the number of variables being declared:

```
PUSH UNDEFINED
PUSH $num_vars$
DUPN
```

For each array variable declaration, we will emit the following instructions for each array declaration of size n:

```
PUSH UNDEFINED
PUSH n
DUPN
```

Note that this is for each array declaration, even when there are multiple on one line.

1.2 Variables in procedures and functions

For every variable declaration in procedures or functions, we calculate the storage required to store the variables and allocate that much storage in the activation record of the procedure or function scope (lexical level > 0), using the same formula (example) as in 1.1.

1.3 Variables in minor scopes

We will handle variables in minor scopes the same way as variables in their enclosing major scopes. That is, we will calculate the storage required for each variable declaration in the minor scopes and allocate the storage in the activation record of the enclosing major scope (same formula/example as in 1.1). The lexical level of the variables in minor scopes will be the same as their enclosing major scope.

1.4 Integer and boolean constants

For integer and boolean constants, we push the constant onto the stack.

```
Example for integer constant 1:

PUSH 1

Example for boolean constant MACHINE_TRUE:

PUSH MACHINE_TRUE
```

1.5 Text Constants

For text constants, we push each letter onto the stack one at a time. Because text constants are only used as the output to write, we will not push the next character until the character on the stack is printed (more details in 2.1 and 4.6)).

Example for storing the first character (using ASCII decimal code as specified by machine.pdf) in the text constants "abc":

PUSH 97

2 Expressions

(x and y in the examples below are expressions that have already been evaluated)

2.1 Accessing values of constants

As described in 1.4, we access the value of a scalar constant by directly processing the top value on the stack after pushing the constant onto the stack.

Example for computing 1+1 by accessing the constant 1:

```
PUSH 1
PUSH 1
ADD
```

For text constants, as described in 1.5, they are used only in the write statement so they will be accessed by printing the characters one at a time.

Example for accessing "abc":

```
PUSH 97
PRINTC
PUSH 98
PRINTC
PUSH 99
PRINTC
```

2.2 Accessing scalar variables

We access the value of a scalar variable by looking up its address (lexical level, offset) from the symbol table. For a scalar variable of level i with offset j:

```
ADDR i j
LOAD
```

2.3 Accessing array elements

We access array elements by computing the index offset from the initial array element. For example, to access the element at index i of an array starting at level n with offset m (lower bound k), we compute k - i, which will be the index offset in 16-bit words, and add the result to the starting address of the array:

```
PUSH i
PUSH k
SUB
ADDR n m
ADD
LOAD
```

2.4 Implementation of arithmetic operators

We will use the machine instructions ADD, SUB, MUL, DIV. We must make sure that the stack has y on the top and x below y for x op y.

```
For x + y:
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    ADD
For x - y:
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    SUB
For x * y:
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    \mathtt{MUL}
For x / y:
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    DIV
```

2.5 Implementation of comparison operators

```
For the comparison operator < (x < y), we will use the machine instruction LT:
```

EQ OR

PUSH x PUSH y

```
For the comparison operator = (x = y), we will use the machine instruction EQ:
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    ΕQ
For the comparison operator 'not' = (x not= y), we first compute =, and then negate the result
by subtracting it from 1:
    PUSH 1
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    ΕQ
    SUB
For the comparison operator >= (x >= y), we first compute LT, and then negate the result like
above:
    PUSH 1
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    LT
    SUB
For the comparison operator > (x > y), we will compute <= like above, and then negate the result:
    PUSH 1
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    LT
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    EQ
    OR
    SUB
      Implementation of boolean operators
For the boolean operator 'and' (x and y), since MACHINE_TRUE is represented as 1 and MACHINE_FALSE
as 0 (according to Machine.java), we add the two booleans and check if they sum up to 2:
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    ADD
    PUSH 2
    EQ
For the boolean operator 'or' (x or y), we simple use the machine instruction OR.
    PUSH x
    PUSH y
    OR
For the boolean operator 'not', we subtract the evaluated boolean expression from 1, since 1 - 0
(MACHINE\_FALSE) = 1 (MACHINE\_TRUE), and 1 - 1 (MACHINE\_TRUE) = 0 (MACHINE\_FALSE).
    PUSH 1
    PUSH x
```

SUB

2.7 Implementation of conditional expressions.

For a condition expression in the form (e1 ? e2 : e3), we first push the evaluated expression of e1 onto the stack, then push F_{addr} , which is the starting address of the code for e3 (the actual address will be filled in after emitting all the code prior to e3), then BF. We emit the code for executing e2 after BF, then push T_{addr} , which is the starting address of the code after the entire conditional expression (e1 ? e2 : e3) (the acutal address will be filled after emitting all the code for this conditional expression), then BR.

```
PUSH e1
PUSH F_addr
BF
% code to execute e2
PUSH T_addr
BR
F_addr: % code to execute e3
T_addr: % code to execute after the entire conditional expression
```

3 Functions and Procedures

3.1 The activation record for functions and procedures

The activation record for functions and procedures will contain the following data, starting from the bottom of the stack entry:

```
Return value (Only for function)
Return address
Display_addr (the display value before the call at the callee's lexical level)
Parameters
Local variables
```

When changing from one activation record to another, we must save the current display at the procedure/function's lexical level as display_addr, and allocate spaces for the items in the activation records, which includes return value and return address. Every parameters are evaluated and passed to the following activation record (See 3.4 for details).

3.2 Procedure and function entrance code

Upon entering the procedure or function, the first step is to setup the current activation record, which includes updating the display and passing the parameters, then allocate space for local storage of variables on the activation records.

```
\% Function only; return value (details in 3.3 and 3.5)
PUSH UNDEFINED
                          \% Will be filled with the starting addr of the code after
PUSH <return_addr>
                          % this call, after emitting all the code up to BR below
ADDR <lexical_level> 0
                          % Store display at callee's level before entering the proc/fn
\% evaluate the paramaters and leave them on the stack
PUSHMT
                          % Push msp onto stack
                          PUSH <num_param>
                          % the beginning of the parameters on the stack
                          % Update display; lexical_level = caller's lexical_level + 1
SETD <lexical_level>
PUSH <fn_proc_addr>
                          % To BR to the code for the function/procedure;
                          \% The address will be stored in the symbol table
BR.
% return_addr: code to execute after executing the function/procedure call
```

3.3 Procedure and function exit code

There are numbers of actions need to be taken in a procedure and function exit code.

1. Deallocating all local storage for local variables and parameters if there are any by popping all the items on the stack until reaching the display[current lexical level]:

```
PUSHMT
ADDR <current_lexical_level> 0
SUB
POPN
```

2. Update the display at the callee's lexical level using the display_addr saved in 3.2 (since everything above display addr has been popped):

```
SETD current_lexical_leval
```

3. The display is set and popped (next value is the return address), we can use it restore to the previous activation record:

BR

For functions, the return value will be left on the top of the stack, and the following activation record can do whatever they want to it with it, either pop it or store it.

3.4 Implementation of parameter passing

For each parameter expressions, we evaluate in order and push each result onto the stack, then store their lexical level and offset (with respect to the procedure/function's activation record) in the symbol table. After all the parameters have been pushed to the stack, we branch to the code to execute the function/procedure, and set the current display to point to the beginning of the parameter (first parameter has offset 0). Then the parameters can be used by the procedure/function like other local variables.

```
% Suppose param_1 ... param_n are evaluated already
PUSH param_1
...
PUSH param_n
```

3.5 Implementation of function call and function value return

The function arguments are passed in the way described in 3.4. The return value is handled as explained in 3.3. Furthermore, the details on how the functions are called are shown in 3.2. For the return value, we store the evaluated result of the return statement to display[current_lexical_level] - 2, which is the space allocated by the caller for the return value as shown in 3.2:

```
ADDR <current_lexical_level> 0
PUSH 2
SUB
PUSH <return_value>
STORE
```

3.6 Implementation of procedure call

Similar to function calls, the only difference is there is no steps for allocating storage for return value in the activation record (no return value handling).

3.7 Display management strategy

We are using the constant cost display update management algorithm from lecture 8 slides 47. The save operation is done by the caller, and the update and restore operations are done by the callee.

- 1. On a call from level L to level M
- 2. Save display M in the local storage of the calling procedure. (Parent)
- 3. Called procedure sets display M | to point at its activation record. (Child)
- 4. On return, restore the saved value of display [M]. (Child)

4 Statements

4.1 Assignment statement

To assign an expression \mathbf{e} to a variable \mathbf{x} , we first get the address of \mathbf{x} (access the lexical level and offset from the symbol table), compute \mathbf{e} , and then store \mathbf{e} to \mathbf{x} . For a variable with lexical level \mathbf{i} and offset \mathbf{j} :

```
ADDR i j  \label{eq:compute} \mbox{Compute e - make sure e is the last thing on the top of the stack $\mbox{STORE}$ }
```

4.2 If statements

For an if expr then statement statement, we first evaluate expr and then branch to the code segment containing statement if the expr is false, the code after BF, which is the code segment containing statement, will be executed if the expr is false (like the conditional expression, Rest will be filled in after emitting all the code of this if statement):

```
PUSH expr
PUSH Rest
BF
% code to execute statement
Rest: % code to executes after this if-statement
```

For an if expr then t_stmt else f_stmt statement, we do exactly the same thing as the conditional expression. First, we push the evaluated expression of expr onto the stack, then push F_addr, which is the starting address of the code for f_stmt (the actual address will be filled in after emitting all the code prior to f_stmt), then BF. We emit the code for executing t_stmt after BF, then push T_addr, which is the starting address of the code after this if-statement (the acutal address will be filled after emitting all the code for this if-statement), then BR.

```
PUSH expr
PUSH F_addr
BF
```

```
% code to execute t_stmt
PUSH T_addr
BR
F_addr: % code to execute f_stmt
T_addr: % code to execute after the entire if-statement
```

4.3 The while and repeat statements

For a while expr do statement statement, we create a code segment containing the statement, evaluate the expression, and jump to END, which is the address of the code after the while loop statement, if expr is false. At the end of the LOOP code segment, we loop back to the beginning (Like above, END will be filled after all code for the while-statement have been emitted. The program address pointed by LOOP will be stored in advance.):

```
LOOP: PUSH expr
PUSH END
BF
% code to execute statement
PUSH LOOP
BR
END: % code to execute after the entire while loop statement
```

For a repeat statement until expr statement, we do something similar, but perform the check at the end:

```
LOOP: % code to execute statement
PUSH expr
PUSH LOOP
BF
END: % code to execute after the entire repeat loop statement
```

4.4 All forms of exit statements

For exit and exit integer statements, we will generate an unconditional branch instruction that contains the address that jumps out of the current minor scope (looping statements) as specified (the acutal program address is filled when the place after exiting is encountered and everything prior to that has been emitted).

```
PUSH Addr
BR
```

For exit when expr and exit integer when expr statements, we evaluate expr and branch to Addr using bf by getting the negation of expr:

```
PUSH 1
PUSH expr
SUB
PUSH Addr
BF
```

4.5 Return statements

There are two types of return statements, for a procedure return statement (no return expression), we simply create a unconditional branch instruction, and jumps to addr, which contains the exit code as specified in 3.3 (we save some code for procedures with multiple returns).

```
PUSH addr
BR
```

For a return statement with an expression (for functions), we first evaluate the expr, then push the evaluated result to the stack, then jump to addr, which contains the exit code as specified in sections 3.5 (first) and 3.3.

```
PUSH expr % evaluated expression expr
PUSH addr
BR
```

4.6 'read' and 'write' statements

For the statements in the form of write v, only standard integer inputs can be read in from standard input, hence, READC is never used. We first evaluate the variable v, then make the result be on the top of the stack, then read the input and store it from stack into memory. For example, to read in v with the value stored in lexical level v and offset v:

```
ADDR i j
READI
STORE
```

For the write expr statement (as stated by the semantics.pdf, expr should be evaluated to integer value), we first evaluate the expression expr, then make the result be on the top of the stack, and then print it out. For example, to write an integer variable at lexical level i and offset j (write a):

```
ADDR i j
LOAD
PRINTI

For writing text constants (write "abc"):

PUSH 97 % ASCII representation
PRINTC
PUSH 98 % ASCII representation
PRINTC
PUSH 99 % ASCII representation
PRINTC

For writing newline (write newline):

PUSH 10 % ASCII representation
PRINTC
```

4.7 Handling of minor scopes

As mentioned earlier in section 1.3, we treat a minor scope as part of its enclosing major scope. That is, we do not create activation record for minor scopes, and everything inside the minor scopes will be directly attached to the activation record of the major scope.

5 Everything Else

5.1 Main program initialization and termination

When we initialize the program, we set the starting address of the main scope to the 0th display register:

PUSHMT SETD 0

When we terminate the program, we pop everthing from the stack and halt:

PUSHMT
ADDR O O
SUB
POPN
HALT

5.2 Handling of scopes not described above

None.

5.3 Other relevant information

None.