## Hybrid C + Direct FASM Backend (ELF64 Linux)

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#### **Architecture Overview**

#### The Optimal Hybrid Pipeline

#### Why This Combination is Optimal

### **C Frontend Advantages:**

- Complex parsing and AST manipulation
- Cross-platform logic and data structures
- Integration with existing codebase
- Sophisticated analysis passes

#### **Direct FASM Backend Advantages:**

- Incredibly powerful macro system
- Assembly-time computation and code generation
- Direct x64 instruction control
- Built-in ELF64 output support
- No intermediate files or parsing overhead

# **FASM Metaprogramming for Code Generation**

#### **Core FASM Infrastructure**

```
asm
; runtime.asm - Core runtime macros for your compiler
format ELF64 executable 3
entry start
; Assembly-time variables for code generation
current_function_locals = 0
stack_depth = 0
label counter = 0
temp_register = 0
; Register allocation table
rax_used = 0
rbx used = 0
rcx_used = 0
rdx used = 0
rsi_used = 0
rdi used = 0
r8\_used = 0
r9_used = 0
r10_used = 0
r11_used = 0
r12_used = 0
r13 used = 0
r14 used = 0
r15_used = 0
; Powerful macro for automatic register allocation
macro allocate_reg {
  if rax_used = 0
    rax_used = 1
    equ allocated_reg rax
  else if rbx_used = 0
    rbx used = 1
    equ allocated_reg rbx
  else if rcx_used = 0
    rcx used = 1
    equ allocated_reg rcx
  else if rdx\_used = 0
    rdx_used = 1
    equ allocated_reg rdx
  else if rsi_used = 0
    rsi\_used = 1
    equ allocated_reg rsi
  else if rdi used = 0
```

```
rai_usea = 1
     equ allocated_reg rdi
  else if r8\_used = 0
    r8\_used = 1
     equ allocated_reg r8
  else if r9_used = 0
    r9_used = 1
    equ allocated_reg r9
  else if r10 used = 0
    r10_used = 1
     equ allocated_reg r10
  else if r11_used = 0
    r11_used = 1
    equ allocated_reg r11
  else
     display 'ERROR: No registers available!'
     err
  end if
}
; Release register
macro release_reg reg {
  if reg eq rax
    rax_used = 0
  else if reg eq rbx
    rbx_used = 0
  else if reg eq rcx
    rcx_used = 0
  else if reg eq rdx
    rdx_used = 0
  else if reg eq rsi
    rsi_used = 0
  else if reg eq rdi
    rdi_used = 0
  else if reg eq r8
    r8\_used = 0
  else if reg eq r9
    r9_used = 0
  else if reg eq r10
    r10_used = 0
  else if reg eq r11
    r11_used = 0
  end if
}
; Function prologue with automatic stack calculation
macro func begin name, [local vars] {
```

```
common
  : Count local variables
  local locals_count, locals_size
  locals_count = 0
  forward
  locals_count = locals_count + 1
  common
  locals_size = locals_count * 8
  ; Align to 16 bytes
  locals_size = (locals_size + 15) and not 15
  current_function_locals = locals_size
  name:
  push rbp
  mov rbp, rsp
  if locals_size > 0
    sub rsp, locals_size
  end if
  ; Clear all register allocation
  rax_used = 0
  rbx_used = 0
  rcx_used = 0
  rdx_used = 0
  rsi\_used = 0
  rdi_used = 0
  r8\_used = 0
  r9_used = 0
  r10_used = 0
  r11_used = 0
 r12_used = 0
  r13_used = 0
  r14_used = 0
  r15_used = 0
}
macro func_end {
  mov rsp, rbp
  pop rbp
  ret
}
; Smart arithmetic operations with automatic register management
macro smart_add dest, src1, src2 {
```

```
if dest eq src1
    if src2 eqtype 0
       add dest, src2
     else
       add dest, src2
    end if
  else
    mov dest, src1
    if src2 eqtype 0
       add dest, src2
    else
       add dest, src2
    end if
  end if
}
macro smart_sub dest, src1, src2 {
  if dest eq src1
    if src2 eqtype 0
       sub dest, src2
    else
       sub dest, src2
    end if
  else
    mov dest, src1
    if src2 eqtype 0
       sub dest, src2
    else
       sub dest, src2
    end if
  end if
}
macro smart_mul dest, src1, src2 {
  if dest eq src1
    if src2 eqtype 0
       imul dest, src2
    else
      imul dest, src2
    end if
  else
    mov dest, src1
    if src2 eqtype 0
       imul dest, src2
     else
       imul dest, src2
    end if
```

```
end if
}
; Generate unique labels
macro gen_label prefix {
  label_counter = label_counter + 1
  label_name equ prefix#label_counter
}
; Conditional code generation
macro if_compile condition {
  if condition
    macro endif \{ \}
  else
    macro endif \{
    \}
    endif
    macro endif \\{ \\}
  end if
}
; Advanced loop generation with automatic label management
macro compile_loop init_code, condition_code, body_code, increment_code {
  gen_label loop_start
  gen_label loop_end
  init_code
  label_name:
  condition_code
  jz loop_end
  body_code
  increment_code
  jmp label_name
  loop_end:
}
```

#### **Advanced Code Generation Macros**

```
asm
; Dynamic function call generation
macro dyn_call func_name, [args] {
  common
  local arg_count, stack_space, current_arg
  arg_count = 0
  ; Count arguments
  forward
  arg_count = arg_count + 1
  common
  ; Calculate stack space (System V ABI for Linux)
  ; First 6 args in registers: RDI, RSI, RDX, RCX, R8, R9
  if arg_count > 6
    stack_space = (arg_count - 6) * 8
    ; Align stack to 16 bytes
    if stack_space mod 16 <> 0
       stack_space = stack_space + (16 - stack_space mod 16)
    end if
    sub rsp, stack_space
  end if
  current_arg = 0
  ; Place arguments in correct locations
  forward
  current_arg = current_arg + 1
  if current_arg = 1
    if args eqtype 0
       mov rdi, args
    else
       mov rdi, args
    end if
  else if current_arg = 2
    if args eqtype 0
       mov rsi, args
    else
       mov rsi, args
    end if
  else if current_arg = 3
    if args eqtype 0
       mov rdx, args
    else
```

```
mov rax, args
     end if
  else if current_arg = 4
    if args eqtype 0
       mov rcx, args
     else
       mov rcx, args
     end if
  else if current arg = 5
    if args eqtype 0
       mov r8, args
     else
       mov r8, args
     end if
  else if current_arg = 6
    if args eqtype 0
       mov r9, args
     else
       mov r9, args
     end if
  else
    ; Stack arguments (in reverse order)
    if args eqtype 0
       mov qword [rsp + (current_arg - 7) * 8], args
     else
       push args
       pop qword [rsp + (current_arg - 7) * 8]
    end if
  end if
  common
  call func_name
  ; Clean up stack
  if arg_count > 6
    add rsp, stack_space
  end if
}
; High-level expression compilation
macro compile_expr dest, expr {
  match a + b, expr \{
     allocate_reg
    compile_expr allocated_reg, a
    push allocated_reg
     release_reg allocated_reg
```

```
allocate reg
    compile_expr allocated_reg, b
    pop dest
    add dest, allocated_reg
    release_reg allocated_reg
 \}
  match a - b, expr \{
    allocate_reg
    compile_expr allocated_reg, a
    push allocated_reg
    release_reg allocated_reg
    allocate_reg
    compile_expr allocated_reg, b
    pop dest
    sub dest, allocated_reg
    release_reg allocated_reg
  \}
  match a * b, expr \{
    allocate_reg
    compile_expr allocated_reg, a
    push allocated_reg
    release_reg allocated_reg
    allocate_reg
    compile_expr allocated_reg, b
    pop dest
    imul dest, allocated_reg
    release_reg allocated_reg
 \}
  match =var name, expr \{
    ; Load variable from stack frame
    mov dest, [rbp - name#_offset]
  \}
  match num, expr \{
    if num eqtype 0
       mov dest, num
    end if
 \}
}
; String literal handling with automatic data section
```

```
strlit_count = 0
macro string_literal text {
  strlit count = strlit count + 1
  section '.rodata'
  str#strlit count db text, 0
  section '.text'
  equ string_address str#strlit_count
}
; Pattern matching for complex code generation
macro match_pattern pattern, code, [alternatives] {
  common
  local matched
  matched = 0
  forward
  match pattern, alternatives \{
    if matched = 0
       matched = 1
       code
    end if
  \}
  common
  if matched = 0
    display 'No pattern matched for: ', `alternatives
    err
  end if
}
; Automatic variable allocation on stack
var offset = 0
macro declare_var name, size {
  var_offset = var_offset + size
  name#_offset = var_offset
  name#_size = size
; Smart memory operations
macro load_var dest, var_name {
  mov dest, [rbp - var_name#_offset]
}
macro store_var var_name, src {
  mov [rbp - var_name#_offset], src
}
```

```
; Conditional compilation based on optimization level
OPTIMIZATION_LEVEL = 0 ; Can be set by C frontend
macro opt_code opt_level, code {
  if OPTIMIZATION LEVEL >= opt level
    code
  end if
}
; Debug information insertion
DEBUG_MODE = 1
macro debug_info info {
  if DEBUG_MODE = 1
    ; Insert debug comment
    ; In real implementation, this could generate DWARF info
  end if
}
; Loop optimization patterns
macro optimize_loop counter, limit, body {
  ; Check if loop can be unrolled
  if limit - counter <= 4
    ; Unroll small loops
    repeat limit - counter
       body
    end repeat
  else
    ; Use regular loop
    compile_loop \
       mov counter, counter, \
       cmp counter, limit, \
       body, \
       inc counter
  end if
}
```

#### **C-to-FASM Interface**

#### **C Frontend that Generates FASM**

```
С
// fasm_generator.h
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
typedef struct {
  FILE *output;
  int optimization_level;
  bool debug_mode;
  int current_scope_depth;
  int temp_var_counter;
} FASMCodeGen;
// Initialize FASM code generator
FASMCodeGen* fasm_codegen_create(const char *output_file) {
  FASMCodeGen *gen = malloc(sizeof(FASMCodeGen));
  gen->output = fopen(output_file, "w");
  gen->optimization_level = 0;
  gen->debug_mode = true;
  gen->current_scope_depth = 0;
  gen->temp_var_counter = 0;
  // Include the macro library
  fprintf(gen->output, "include 'runtime.asm'\n\n");
  // Set compilation flags
  fprintf(gen->output, "OPTIMIZATION_LEVEL = %d\n", gen->optimization_level);
  fprintf(gen->output, "DEBUG_MODE = %d\n", gen->debug_mode ? 1 : 0);
  fprintf(gen->output, "\n");
  return gen;
}
// Generate FASM function from AST
void generate_fasm_function(FASMCodeGen *gen, AST_Node *func_node) {
  fprintf(gen->output, "; Function: %s\n", func_node->name);
  // Count local variables
  int local_count = count_local_variables(func_node);
  // Generate function with automatic variable allocation
  fprintf(gen->output, "func_begin %s", func_node->name);
  // Declare local variables
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < iocal count; <math>i++) {
    fprintf(gen->output, ", local_var_%d", i);
  fprintf(gen->output, "\n");
  // Generate function body
  if (func_node->body) {
     generate_fasm_statement_block(gen, func_node->body);
  }
  fprintf(gen->output, "func_end\n\n");
}
// Generate binary operation using smart macros
void generate_fasm_binop(FASMCodeGen *gen, AST_Node *binop) {
  char temp_var[64];
  snprintf(temp_var, sizeof(temp_var), "temp_%d", gen->temp_var_counter++);
  fprintf(gen->output, " ; Binary operation: %s\n", binop->name);
  fprintf(gen->output, " allocate_reg\n");
  // Generate left operand
  generate_fasm_expression(gen, binop->left);
  fprintf(gen->output, " push allocated_reg\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, " release_reg allocated_reg\n");
  // Generate right operand
  fprintf(gen->output, " allocate_reg\n");
  generate fasm expression(gen, binop->right);
  // Perform operation
  if (strcmp(binop->name, "+") == 0) {
    fprintf(gen->output, " pop rax\n");
    fprintf(gen->output, " smart_add allocated_reg, rax, allocated_reg\n");
  } else if (strcmp(binop->name, "-") == 0) {
    fprintf(gen->output, " pop rax\n");
    fprintf(gen->output, " smart sub allocated reg, rax, allocated reg\n");
  } else if (strcmp(binop->name, "*") == 0) {
     fprintf(gen->output, " pop rax\n");
     fprintf(gen->output, " smart_mul allocated_reg, rax, allocated_reg\n");
  }
  fprintf(gen->output, " ; Result in allocated_reg\n");
}
// Generate complex expressions using FASM pattern matching
void generate fasm expression(FASMCodeGen *gen, AST Node *expr) {
```

```
switch (expr->type) {
     case AST_NUM:
       fprintf(gen->output, " mov allocated_reg, %lld\n", expr->num);
       break:
     case AST_ID:
       fprintf(gen->output, " load_var allocated_reg, %s\n", expr->name);
       break;
     case AST_BIN_OP:
       generate_fasm_binop(gen, expr);
       break:
     case AST CALL:
       generate_fasm_function_call(gen, expr);
       break;
  }
}
// Generate function call using dynamic call macro
void generate_fasm_function_call(FASMCodeGen *gen, AST_Node *call_node) {
  fprintf(gen->output, " ; Function call: %s\n", call node->name);
  fprintf(gen->output, " dyn_call %s", call_node->name);
  // Add arguments
  for (size_t i = 0; i < call_node->children.used; i++) {
     fprintf(gen->output, ", ");
    AST Node *arg = call node->children.data[i];
    if (arg->type == AST_NUM) {
       fprintf(gen->output, "%lld", arg->num);
     } else if (arg->type == AST_ID) {
       fprintf(gen->output, "[rbp - %s_offset]", arg->name);
     } else {
       // For complex expressions, we'd need temporary storage
       generate_fasm_expression(gen, arg);
       fprintf(gen->output, "allocated_reg");
    }
  }
  fprintf(gen->output, "\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, " ; Result in rax\n");
}
// Generate assignment with smart variable handling
void generate_fasm_assignment(FASMCodeGen *gen, AST_Node *assign_node) {
```

```
fprintf(gen->output, "; Assignment: %s\n", assign_node->name);
  // Generate right-hand side
  fprintf(gen->output, " allocate_reg\n");
  generate_fasm_expression(gen, assign_node->right);
  // Store in variable
  fprintf(gen->output, " store_var %s, allocated_reg\n", assign_node->name);
  fprintf(gen->output, " release_reg allocated_reg\n");
}
// Main program generation
void generate_fasm_program(FASMCodeGen *gen, AST_Node *program) {
  fprintf(gen->output, "format ELF64 executable 3\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, "entry start\n\n");
  // Generate all functions
  for (size_t i = 0; i < program->children.used; i++) {
     AST_Node *child = program->children.data[i];
    if (child->type == AST_PROC) {
       generate_fasm_function(gen, child);
    }
  }
  // Generate main entry point
  fprintf(gen->output, "start:\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, " ; Program entry\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, " dyn_call main\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, " ; Exit program\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, " mov rax, 60 ; sys_exit\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, " mov rdi, 0 ; exit status\n");
  fprintf(gen->output, " syscall\n");
}
// Complete compilation pipeline
int compile_with_fasm_backend(const char *source_file, const char *output_exe) {
  // Parse source
  AST_Node *program = parse_file(source_file);
  if (!program) return -1;
  // Generate FASM assembly
  char asm_file[256];
  snprintf(asm_file, sizeof(asm_file), "%s.asm", source_file);
  FASMCodeGen *gen = fasm_codegen_create(asm_file);
  generate_fasm_program(gen, program);
  fclose(gen->output):
```

```
// Compile with FASM
char cmd[512];
snprintf(cmd, sizeof(cmd), "fasm %s %s", asm_file, output_exe);
int result = system(cmd);

// Cleanup
if (result == 0) {
    unlink(asm_file); // Remove intermediate file
    chmod(output_exe, 0755); // Make executable
    printf("Successfully compiled %s\n", output_exe);
} else {
    printf("FASM compilation failed. Assembly saved as %s\n", asm_file);
}

free(gen);
ast_destroy(program);
return result;
}
```

#### **Advanced FASM Macros**

**Domain-Specific Language Creation** 

```
asm
; Create a high-level language directly in FASM
; fibonacci.lang compiled to fibonacci.asm
; Define language constructs
macro FUNCTION name, [params] {
  func_begin name
  forward
     declare_var params, 8
  common
}
macro END_FUNCTION {
  func_end
}
macro IF condition {
  gen_label if_false
  gen_label if_end
  ; Evaluate condition
  compile_expr rax, condition
  test rax, rax
  jz if_false
  macro ELSE \\{
    jmp if_end
    if_false:
  \\}
  macro END_IF \\{
    if_false:
    if_end:
  \\}
}
macro WHILE condition {
  gen_label while_start
  gen_label while_end
  while_start:
  compile_expr rax, condition
  test rax, rax
  jz while_end
```

```
macro END_WHILE \\{
    jmp while_start
    while_end:
 \\}
}
macro RETURN expr {
  compile_expr rax, expr
  jmp func_end; Will be resolved by func_begin/func_end
}
macro VAR name, value {
  declare_var name, 8
  if value eqtype 0
    store_var name, value
  else
    allocate_reg
    compile_expr allocated_reg, value
    store_var name, allocated_reg
    release_reg allocated_reg
  end if
}
macro CALL func_name, [args] {
  dyn_call func_name, args
; Example usage of the DSL:
FUNCTION fibonacci, n
  IF var n \le 1
    RETURN var n
  END_IF
  VAR temp1, CALL(fibonacci, var n - 1)
  VAR temp2, CALL(fibonacci, var n - 2)
  RETURN var temp1 + var temp2
END FUNCTION
FUNCTION main
  VAR result, CALL(fibonacci, 10)
  ; Print result somehow...
  RETURN 0
END_FUNCTION
```

### **Optimization Macros**

```
asm
; Peephole optimization patterns
macro optimize_mov_sequences [instructions] {
  common
  local opt_done
  opt_done = 0
  forward
  match mov reg1=,val1 mov reg2=,val2, instructions \{
    if reg1 eq reg2 & opt_done = 0
       ; Remove redundant second mov
       mov reg1, val1
       opt_done = 1
    end if
  \}
  match mov reg1=,reg2 add reg1=,val, instructions \{
    if opt_done = 0
       ; Optimize to lea
      lea reg1, [reg2 + val]
       opt_done = 1
    end if
  \}
  if opt_done = 0
    ; No optimization applied, emit original
    instructions
  end if
}
; Loop unrolling
macro unroll_loop count, body {
  if count <= 8
    repeat count
       body
    end repeat
  else
    ; Use regular loop for large counts
    mov rcx, count
    .loop_start:
    body
    loop .loop_start
  end if
}
```

```
; inline function calls for small functions
inline_threshold = 20; Maximum instructions to inline
macro maybe_inline func_name, [args] {
  local func_size
  func_size = func_name#_size ; Set by func_begin macro
  if func_size <= inline_threshold</pre>
    ; Inline the function
    display 'Inlining function: ', `func_name
    ; Set up parameters
    forward
       ; Handle parameter passing inline
     common
    ; Insert function body directly
    include func_name#_body
    ; Regular function call
     dyn_call func_name, args
  end if
}
; Constant folding at assembly time
macro const_fold operation {
  match a + b, operation \{
    if a eqtype 0 & b eqtype 0
       result = a + b
     else
       add a, b
       equ result a
    end if
  \}
  match a * b, operation \{
    if a eqtype 0 & b eqtype 0
       result = a * b
     else
       imul a, b
       equ result a
     end if
  \}
; Smart instruction selection
macro smart multiply dest, value {
```

```
if value = 1
    ; Multiplication by 1 is identity
    if dest eq value
       ; Already correct
     else
       mov dest, value
    end if
  else if value = 2
    ; Use shift instead
    shl dest, 1
  else if value = 4
    shl dest, 2
  else if value = 8
    shl dest, 3
  else if value and (value - 1) = 0
    ; Power of 2, use shift
    local shift_amount
    shift_amount = 0
    repeat 64
      if (1 shl shift_amount) = value
          shl dest, shift_amount
         break
       end if
       shift_amount = shift_amount + 1
    end repeat
    ; Use regular multiplication
    imul dest, value
  end if
}
```

## **ELF64 Linux Integration**

### **Complete Program Template**

```
asm
; program_template.asm - Generated by your compiler
format ELF64 executable 3
entry start
; Runtime library inclusion
include 'runtime.asm'
include 'linux_syscalls.asm'
; Data section for string literals and globals
section '.data' writeable
; Generated global variables go here
section '.rodata' readable
; Generated string literals go here
section '.bss' writeable
; Generated uninitialized data go here
section '.text' executable
; System call wrappers
macro sys_write fd, buffer, count {
  mov rax, 1 ; sys_write
  mov rdi, fd ; file descriptor
  mov rsi, buffer; buffer
  mov rdx, count; count
  syscall
}
macro sys_exit status {
  mov rax, 60 ; sys_exit
  mov rdi, status; exit status
  syscall
}
; I/O functions for your language
print_int:
  ; Convert integer to string and print
  ; Implementation would go here...
  ret
print_string:
  ; Print null-terminated string
  ; rdi = string address
```

```
pusn rai
  ; Find string length
  xor rcx, rcx
.count_loop:
  cmp byte [rdi + rcx], 0
 je .count_done
  inc rcx
  jmp .count_loop
.count_done:
  pop rsi ; string address
  mov rdx, rcx; length
  sys_write 1, rsi, rdx
  ret
; Generated functions go here
; (Your C code will insert FASM function definitions here)
; Main program entry
start:
  ; Initialize runtime if needed
  ; Call main function
  call main
  ; Exit with return value
  sys_exit rax
```

## **Linux System Call Integration**

```
asm
; linux_syscalls.asm - System call definitions
; System call numbers for x86_64 Linux
SYS_READ = 0
SYS_WRITE = 1
SYS_OPEN = 2
SYS_CLOSE = 3
SYS_MMAP = 9
SYS_MUNMAP = 11
SYS_BRK = 12
SYS_EXIT = 60
; File operations
macro open filename, flags, mode {
  mov rax, SYS_OPEN
  mov rdi, filename
  mov rsi, flags
 mov rdx, mode
  syscall
}
macro read fd, buffer, count {
 mov rax, SYS_READ
 mov rdi, fd
 mov rsi, buffer
 mov rdx, count
  syscall
}
macro write fd, buffer, count {
  mov rax, SYS_WRITE
 mov rdi, fd
 mov rsi, buffer
 mov rdx, count
  syscall
}
macro close fd {
  mov rax, SYS_CLOSE
  mov rdi, fd
  syscall
}
; Memory management
macro brk addr {
```

```
mov rax, SYS_BRK
  mov rdi, addr
  syscall
}
; Simple memory allocator
heap_start dq 0
heap current dq 0
malloc:
  : rdi = size to allocate
  : returns address in rax
  cmp qword [heap_start], 0
  jne .heap_initialized
  ; Initialize heap
  brk 0
                ; Get current break
  mov [heap_start], rax
  mov [heap_current], rax
.heap_initialized:
  mov rax, [heap_current]
  add qword [heap_current], rdi
  ret
; Your language's runtime functions
panic:
  ; Print error message and exit
  mov rsi, panic_msg
  mov rdx, panic_msg_len
  write 2, rsi, rdx ; Write to stderr
  sys_exit 1
section '.rodata'
panic_msg db 'Runtime error!', 10, 0
panic_msg_len = $ - panic_msg
```

## **Performance Optimizations**

#### **Assembly-Time Optimizations**

```
asm
; Profile-guided optimization hints
HOT_FUNCTION_THRESHOLD = 1000
hot_functions_count = 0
macro hot_function name {
  hot_functions_count = hot_functions_count + 1
  display 'Hot function: ', `name
  ; Mark for aggressive optimization
  name#_is_hot = 1
  ; Use optimized function template
  func begin name
    ; Add performance hints
    ; Align function to cache line boundary
    align 64
  macro func_end \\{
    ; Add optimized epilogue for hot functions
    mov rsp, rbp
    pop rbp
    ret
  \\}
}
; Branch prediction hints
macro likely_branch condition, target {
  ; Use static prediction - forward branches unlikely
  ; backward branches likely
  condition
  jmp target ; Arrange code so likely path falls through
}
; Data prefetching
macro prefetch_data addr {
  ; Only generate prefetch for optimized builds
  if OPTIMIZATION LEVEL >= 2
    ; prefetchnta [addr] ; Non-temporal prefetch
  end if
}
; Loop optimization
macro optimize_small_loop counter_reg, limit, body {
  ; Unroll loops with small, known iteration counts
```

```
repeat limit
       body
    end repeat
  else if limit <= 16
    ; Partially unroll
    mov counter_reg, 0
    .loop_start:
    repeat 4
       body
      inc counter_reg
    end repeat
    cmp counter_reg, limit
    jl .loop_start
  else
    ; Standard loop
    mov counter_reg, 0
    .loop_start:
    body
    inc counter_reg
    cmp counter_reg, limit
    jl .loop_start
  end if
}
```

## **Real-World Implementation**

### **Complete Example: Fibonacci Generator**

```
// main.c - Your compiler frontend
int main(int argc, char **argv) {
   if (argc != 3) {
      fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s input.lang output\n", argv[0]);
      return 1;
   }
   return compile_with_fasm_backend(argv[1], argv[2]);
}
```

```
# input.lang - Your language source
func fibonacci(n: int) -> int {
    if n <= 1 {
        return n;
    }
    return fibonacci(n - 1) + fibonacci(n - 2);
}

func main() -> int {
    let result = fibonacci(10);
    print_int(result);
    return 0;
}
```

```
asm
; Generated fibonacci.asm (by your C frontend)
include 'runtime.asm'
format ELF64 executable 3
entry start
section '.text' executable
; Function: fibonacci
func_begin fibonacci, n_param
  ; Load parameter
  load_var rax, n_param
  ; if n <= 1
  cmp rax, 1
  jg .recursive_case
  ; return n
  load_var rax, n_param
  func_end
.recursive_case:
  ; fibonacci(n - 1)
  allocate_reg
  load_var allocated_reg, n_param
  dec allocated_reg
  dyn_call fibonacci, allocated_reg
  push rax; Save result
  release_reg allocated_reg
  ; fibonacci(n - 2)
  allocate_reg
  load_var allocated_reg, n_param
  sub allocated_reg, 2
  dyn_call fibonacci, allocated_reg
  release_reg allocated_reg
  ; Add results
  pop rbx
  add rax, rbx
func_end
; Function: main
func_begin main
```

```
; fibonacci(10)
dyn_call fibonacci, 10

; print_int(result)
mov rdi, rax
call print_int

; return 0
xor rax, rax
func_end

start:
call main
mov rdi, rax
sys_exit rdi
```

# **Build Script**

```
bash
#!/bin/bash
# build.sh - Complete build pipeline
set -e
INPUT FILE="$1"
OUTPUT_FILE="$2"
if [ -z "$INPUT_FILE" ] || [ -z "$OUTPUT_FILE" ]; then
  echo "Usage: $0 input.lang output"
  exit 1
fi
# Compile with your hybrid C/FASM compiler
echo "Compiling $INPUT_FILE..."
time ./your_compiler "$INPUT_FILE" "$OUTPUT_FILE"
# Verify the executable
if [ -f "$OUTPUT_FILE" ]; then
  echo "Successfully generated $OUTPUT_FILE"
  Is -la "$OUTPUT_FILE"
  # Test run
  echo "Running executable:"
  "./$OUTPUT FILE"
  echo "Exit code: $?"
else
  echo "Compilation failed!"
  exit 1
fi
```

This hybrid approach gives you:

- Maximum flexibility with FASM's metaprogramming
- Complex logic handled in C
- Direct ELF64 output for maximum speed
- Sophisticated optimizations at assembly time
- Native Linux integration with system calls

The result is a blazingly fast debug compiler that can generate optimized assembly code using FASM's powerful macro system while maintaining the development productivity of C for the complex compiler logic.

