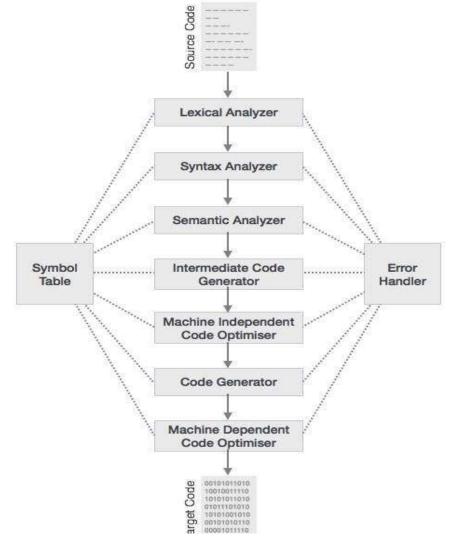
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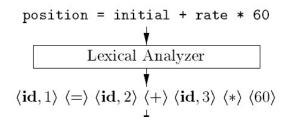
- Each phase transforms the source program from one representation into another representation.
- They communicate with error handlers.
- They communicate with the symbol table.

Major Parts of Compilers

- There are two major parts of a compiler: Analysis and Synthesis
- In analysis phase, an intermediate representation is created from the given source program.
 - Lexical Analyzer, Syntax Analyzer and Semantic Analyzer are the parts of this phase.
- In synthesis phase, the equivalent target program is created from this intermediate representation.
 - Intermediate Code Generator, Code Generator, and Code Optimizer are the parts of this phase.

Lexical Analyzer

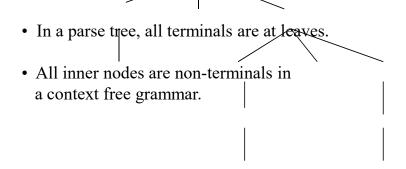
- Lexical Analyzer reads the source program character by character and returns the tokens of the source program.
- A token describes a pattern of characters having same meaning in the source program. (such as identifiers, operators, keywords, numbers, delimeters and so on)

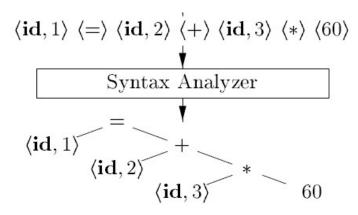


- Puts information about identifiers into the symbol table.
- Regular expressions are used to describe tokens (lexical constructs).
- A (Deterministic) Finite State Automaton can be used in the implementation of a lexical analyzer.

Syntax Analyzer

- A Syntax Analyzer creates the syntactic structure (generally a parse tree)
 of the given program.
- A syntax analyzer is also called as a parser.
- A parse tree describes a syntactic structure.





Syntax Analyzer (CFG)

- The syntax of a language is specified by a context free grammar (CFG).
- The rules in a CFG are mostly recursive.
- A syntax analyzer checks whether a given program satisfies the rules implied by a CFG or not.
 - If it satisfies, the syntax analyzer creates a parse tree for the given program.
- EX: We use BNF (Backus Naur Form) to specify a CFG

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assgstmt -> identifier := expression
expression -> identifier
expression -> number
expression -> expression + expression
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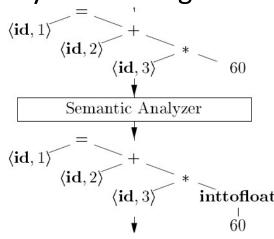
Semantic Analyzer

- A semantic analyzer checks the source program for semantic errors and collects the type information for the code generation.
- Type-checking is an important part of semantic analyzer.
- Normally semantic information cannot be represented by a context-free language used in syntax analyzers.

• Context-free grammars used in the syntax analysis are integrated with

attributes (semantic rules)

- the result is a syntax-directed translation,
- Attribute grammars

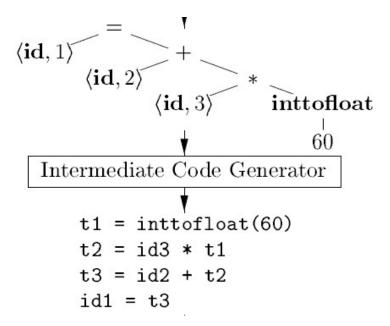


Intermediate Code Generation

 A compiler may produce an explicit intermediate codes representing the source program.

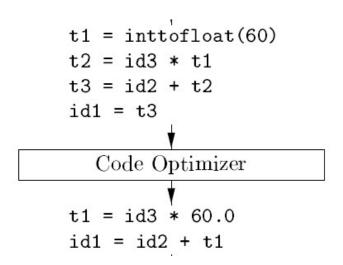
 These intermediate codes are generally machine (architecture independent). But the level of intermediate codes is close to the level of

machine codes.



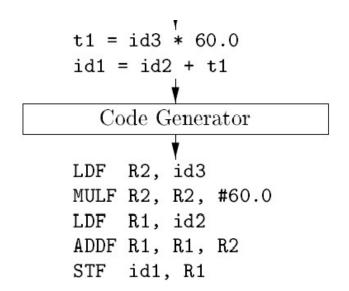
Code Optimizer (for Intermediate Code Generator)

• The code optimizer optimizes the code produced by the intermediate code generator in the terms of time and space.



Code Generator

- Produces the target language in a specific architecture.
- The target program is normally is a relocatable object file containing the machine codes.

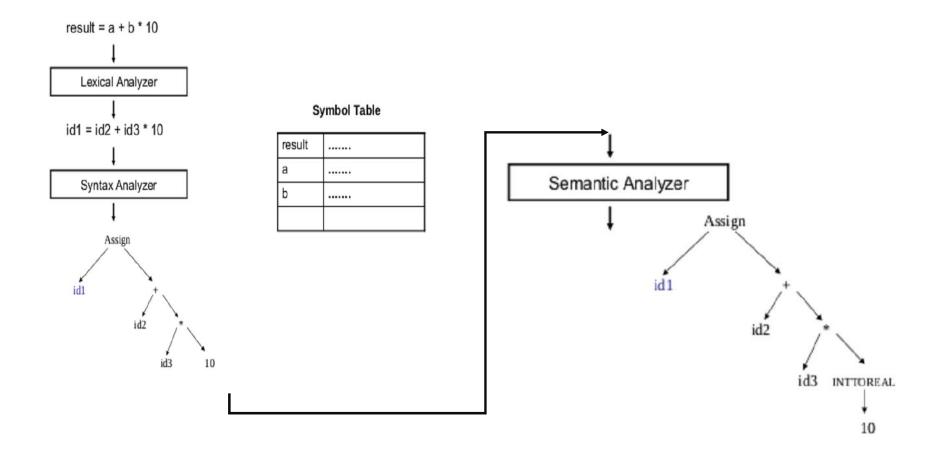


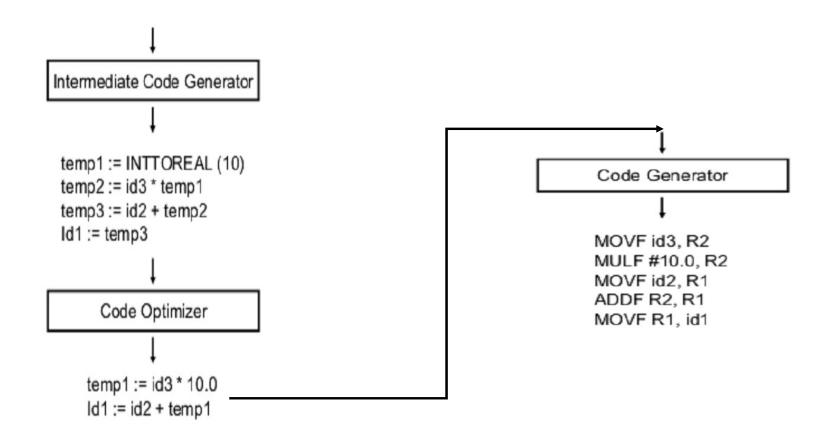
Symbol Table

- Records the identifiers used in the source program
 - Collects various associated information as attribute
 - Variables: type, scope, storage allocation
 - Procedure: number and types of arguments method of argument passing
- Its a data structure with collection of records
- Different fields are collected and used at different phases of compilation.

Error Detection, Recovery and Reporting

- Each phase can encounter error.
- Specific types of error can be detected by specific phases
 - Lexical Error: int abc, 1num;
 - Syntax Error: total = capital + rate * year;
 - Semantic Error: value = myarray [realIndex];
- Should be able to proceed and process the rest of the program after an error detected
- Should be able to link the error with the source program





Syntax Analyzer versus Lexical Analyzer

- Both of them do the similiar thing;
- But the lexical analyzer deals with simple non-recursive constructs of the language.
 The syntax analyzer deals with recursive constructs of the language.
- The lexical analyzer simplifies the job of the syntax analyzer.
- The lexical analyzer recognizes the smallest meaningful units (tokens) in a source program.

The syntax analyzer works on the smallest meaningful units (tokens) in a source program to <u>recognizemeaningfulstructures</u> in our programming language.

Cousins of the Compiler

Preprocessor

- Macro preprocessing: Define and use shorthand for longer constructs
- File inclusion :Include header files
- "Rational" Preprocessors :Augment older languages with modern flow-of-control or data-structures
- Language Extension: Add capabilities to a language
- Equel: query language embedded in C

Issues Driving Compiler Design

- Correctness
- Speed(Runtime and Compile time)
 - 1. Degree of Optimisation
 - 2. Multiple passes
- Space
- Feedback to user
- Debugging