Semantic actions for control structures

Statement lists

- So far we have discussed generating code for one assignment statement
- Generating code for multiple statements is easy

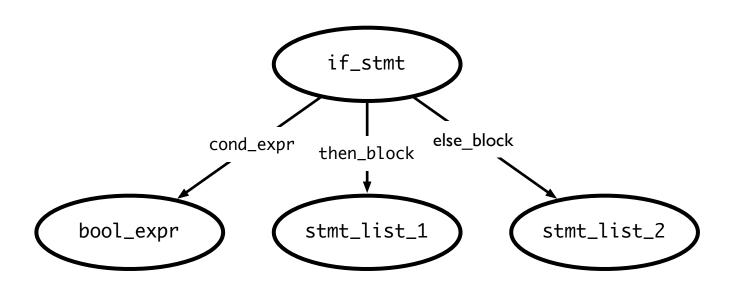
stmt_list
$$\rightarrow$$
 stmt_list $\mid \lambda$

- Keep appending (or prepending) the code generated by a single statement to the code generated by the rest of the statement list
- What if statement is not an assignment?

If statements

```
if <bool_expr_1>
     <stmt_list_1>
    else
     <stmt_list_2>
    endif
```

If statements



Generating code for ifs

```
if <bool_expr_1>
     <stmt_list_1>
else
     <stmt_list_2>
endif
```

```
<code for bool_expr_1>
  j<!op> ELSE_1
  <code for stmt_list_1>
  jmp OUT_1
ELSE_1:
  <code for stmt_list_2>
OUT_1:
```

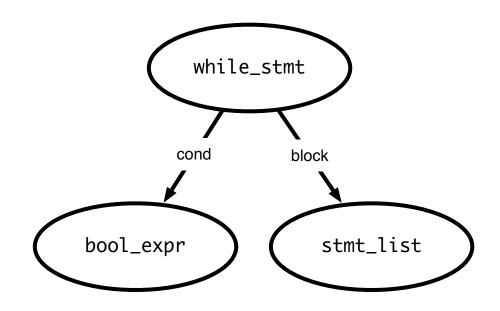
Notes on code generation

- The <op> in j<!op> is dependent on the type of comparison you are doing in <bool_expr>
- When you generate JUMP instructions, you should also generate the appropriate LABELs
- Remember: labels have to be unique!

Processing Loops

While loops

while <bool_expr>
 <stmt_list>
endwhile



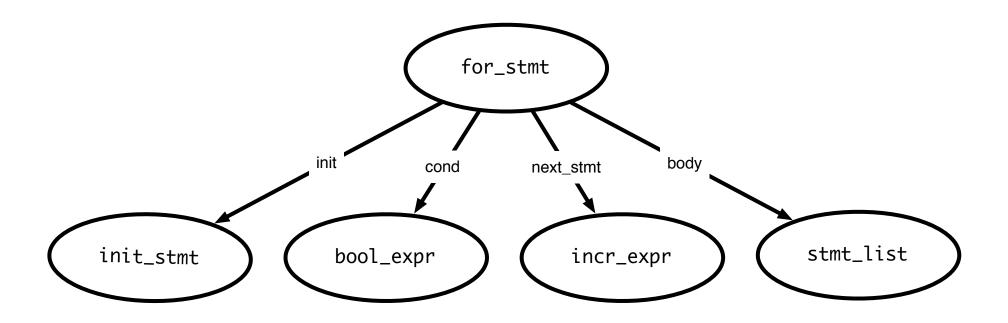
Generating code for while loops

```
while <bool_expr>
  <stmt_list>
endwhile;
    LOOP:
     <bool expr>
      j<!op> OUT
      <stmt_list>
      jmp LOOP
    OUT:
```

- Re-evaluate expression each time
- Question: what would code for "repeat until" loop look like? For "do while"?

For loops

```
for (<init_stmt>;<bool_expr>;<incr_stmt>)
    <stmt_list>
end
```



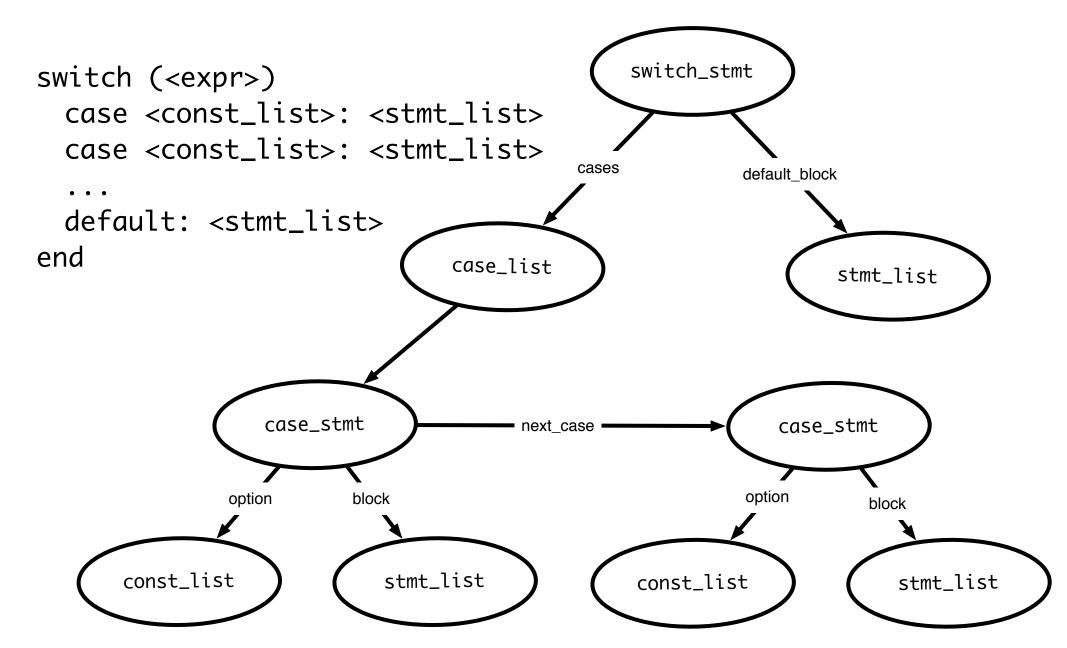
Generating code: for loops

```
for (<init_stmt>;<bool_expr>;<incr_stmt>)
     <stmt_list>
end
```

```
<init stmt>
LOOP:
  <bool_expr>
  j<!op> OUT
  <stmt list>
INCR:
  <incr_stmt>
  jmp LOOP
OUT:
```

- Execute init_stmt first
- Jump out of loop if bool_expr is false
- Execute incr_stmt after block, jump back to top of loop
- Question: Why do we have the INCR label?

Switch statements



Switch statements

```
switch (<expr>)
  case <const_list>: <stmt_list>
  case <const_list>: <stmt_list>
  ...
  default: <stmt_list>
end
```

- Generated code should evaluate <expr> and make sure that some case matches the result
- Question: how to decide where to jump?

Deciding where to jump

- Problem: do not know which label to jump to until switch expression is evaluated
- Use a jump table: an array indexed by case values, contains address to jump to
 - If table is not full (i.e., some possible values are skipped),
 can point to a default clause
 - If default clause does not exist, this can point to error code
 - Problems
 - If table is sparse, wastes a lot of space
 - If many choices, table will be very large

Jump table example

```
Consider the code: ((xxxx) is address of code)
```

Case x is
(0010) When 0: stmts
(0017) When 1: stmts
(0192) When 2: stmts
(0198) When 3 stmts;
(1000) When 5 stmts;
(1050) Else stmts;

Table only has one Unnecessary row (for choice 4)

Jump table has 6 entries:

0	JUMP 0010
I	JUMP 0017
2	JUMP 0192
3	JUMP 0198
4	JUMP 1050
5	JUMP 1000

Jump table example

Consider the code: ((xxxx) Is address of code)

Case x is

(0010) When 0: stmts0

(0017) When I: stmts I

(0192) When 2: stmts2

(0198) When 3 stmts3

(1000) When 987 stmts4

(1050) When others stmts5

Table only has 983 unnecessary rows.

Doesn't appear to be the right thing to do! NOTE: table size is proportional to range of choice clauses, not number of clauses!

Jump table has 6 entries:

0	JUMP 0010
I	JUMP 0017
2	JUMP 0192
3	JUMP 0198
4	JUMP 1050
• • •	JUMP 1050
986	JUMP 1050
987	JUMP 1000

Linear search example

Consider the code:
(xxxx) Is offset of local
Code start from the
Jump instruction

Case x is
(0010) When 0: stmts
(0017) When 1: stmts
(0192) When 2: stmts
(1050) When others stmts;

If there are a small number of choices, then do an in-line linear search. A straightforward way to do this is generate code analogous to an IF THEN ELSE.

```
If (x == 0) then stmts I;
Elseif (x = 1) then stmts 2;
Elseif (x = 2) then stmts 3;
Else stmts 4;
```

O(n) time, n is the size of the table, for each jump.

Dealing with jump tables

```
switch (<expr>)
  case <const list>: <stmt list>
  case <const_list>: <stmt_list>
  default: <stmt list>
end
      <expr>
      <code for jump table>
    IABFI0:
      <stmt_list>
    IABFI1:
      <stmt_list>
    DFFAULT:
      <stmt_list>
    OUT:
```

- Generate labels, code, then build jump table
 - Put jump table after generated code
- Why do we need the OUT label?
 - In case of break statements