# MyJIT: Documentation

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# About MyJIT

MyJIT is a library that allows to generate machine code at run-time and afterwards execute it. The project has started as a part of the Just-in-Time compiler of the Schemik (http://schemik.sourceforge.net) programming language and as a replacement for the GNU lightning library (http://www.gnu.org/software/lightning/) fixing some of its design issues. However, it has evolved into a more powerful tool. Therefore, MyJIT has a very similar instruction set as GNU lightning but it differs in some key aspects. The most important features which make MyJIT different or which should be highlighted are:

- support for an unlimited number of registers
- thread-safety
- support for the i386, AMD64, ARMv7-A, and SPARC processors
- convenient debugging
- easy to use and easy to extend design
- support for optimizations
- the library is fully embeddable
- particular backward compatibility with GNU lightning

# 2 Instruction Set

The instruction set of the MyJIT intermediate language is inspired by GNU lightning and in some aspects resembles architecture of RISC processors. Each operation has up to four operands which can be immediate values (numbers, constants) or registers. The number of available registers is virtually unlimited.

All general purpose registers and integer values are treated as signed integers and have the same size which corresponds to the register size of the CPU. Note that i386 and SPARC processors have 32 bit wide registers and AMD64 has 64 bit wide registers. In order to overcome this inconsistency, MyJIT provides the jit\_value type which has the same size as the CPU's general purpose register. In specific cases, e.g., if smaller or unsigned value is needed and it is appropriate, you may specify the size or type of the value. This topic is discussed later.

All floating-point numbers and registers are internally treated as double precision values. However, if necessary, the value can be converted into a single precision value.

Typically, name of each instruction consists of three parts:

- name of the operation (e.g., add for addition, mul for multiplication, etc.)
- the name of the operation is often accompanied with the suffix r or i indicating whether the operation is taking merely registers or if it also takes an immediate value as its argument
- name of the operation can be equipped with additional flag delimited by the underscore (typically, this is used to identify operations handling unsigned numbers)

### 2.1 Registers

MyJIT supports arbitrary number of register. If the number of used registers is higher than the number of available hardware registers, MyJIT emulates them. Nevertheless, to achieve the best performance, it is a good practice not to use too many registers. All registers are denoted by positive integers including zero. To refer to these registers you should use macros R(x) and FR(x) identifying general purpose and floating point registers, respectively. Note that registers R(x) and FR(x) are completely different register and do not occupy the same space.

Besides, MyJIT has two special purpose registers—R\_FP and R\_OUT. R\_FP serves as the frame pointer and is used to access dynamically allocated memory on the stack. The R\_OUT can be used to handle the return values more efficiently. It can be used to read the return value right after the

return from the function. Otherwise, the value of the register is undefined. Furthermore, it can be used right before the return from the function to set the return value more efficiently. If the value is set earlier, it can lead to undefined behavior. However, in most cases register allocator can optimize this which makes this register almost obsolete.

#### 2.2 Notation

In order to describe instruction set, we are using symbols reg and freg to denote general purpose and floating-point registers, respectively. Analogously, imm and fimm denote immediate integer values and floating-point values. Particular instructions (e.g., load and store operations) have an extra operand which specifies the size (number of bytes) of data they work with. This operand shall be denoted by size and fsize. The value passed by the operand size can be 1, 2, 4, or 8. However, only the AMD64 port supports operation processing 8 bytes long values. The value passed by the operand fsize can be either 4 or 8. In other words, fsize denotes precision of the value.

#### 2.3 Instructions

#### 2.3.1 Transfer Operations

These operations allow to assign a value into a register. The first operand is always a register and the second one can be either an immediate value or register.

```
movi reg, imm 01 := 02
movr reg, reg 01 := 02
fmovr freg, freg 01 := 02
fmov freg, fimm 01 := 02
```

#### 2.3.2 Binary Arithmetic Operations

Each binary arithmetic operation has exactly three operands. First two operands are always registers and the last one can be an immediate value or register. These operations are fully compatible with those in the GNU lightning instruction set.

```
addr
                           01 := 02 + 03
        reg, reg, reg
addi
                           01 := 02 + 03
        reg, reg, imm
addxr
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 + (03 + carry)
                           01 := 02 + (03 + carry)
addxi
        reg, reg, imm
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 + 03, set carry
addcr
                           01 := 02 + 03, set carry
addci
        reg, reg, imm
```

```
01 := 02 - 03
subr
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 - 03
subi
        reg, reg, imm
subxr
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 - (03 + carry)
        reg, reg, imm
                           01 := 02 - (03 + carry)
subxi
                           01 := 02 - 03, set carry
subcr
        reg, reg, reg
        reg, reg, imm
                           01 := 02 - 03, set carry
subci
rsbr
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 03 - 02
rsbi
                           01 := 03 - 02
        reg, reg, imm
mulr
                           01 := 02 * 03
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 * 03
muli
        reg, reg, imm
                           01 := high bits of 02 * 03
hmulr
        reg, reg, reg
hmuli
                           01 := high bits of 02 * 03
        reg, reg, imm
mulr_u reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 * 03
                           01 := 02 * 03
muli_u reg, reg, imm
hmulr_u reg, reg, reg
                           01 := high bits of 02 * 03
hmuli_u reg, reg, imm
                           01 := high bits of 02 * 03
divr
                           01 := 02 / 03
        reg, reg, reg
divi
                           01 := 02 / 03
        reg, reg, imm
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 % 03
modr
modi
        reg, reg, imm
                           01 := 02 % 03
divr_u reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 / 03
                           01 := 02 / 03
divi_u reg, reg, imm
modr u reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 % 03
modi_u reg, reg, imm
                           01 := 02 % 03
andr
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 & 03
                           01 := 02 & 03
andi
        reg, reg, imm
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 | 03
огг
                           01 := 02 | 03
ori
        reg, reg, imm
                           01 := 02 ^ 03
        reg, reg, reg
XOLL
                           01 := 02 ^ 03
xori
        reg, reg, imm
lshr
        reg, reg, reg
                           01 := 02 << 03
        reg, reg, imm
lshi
                           01 := 02 << 03
rshr
                           01 := 02 >> 03
        reg, reg, reg
```

```
rshi reg, reg, imm 01 := 02 >> 03
rshr_u reg, reg 01 := 02 >> 03 (unsigned variant)
rshi_u reg, reg, imm 01 := 02 >> 03 (unsigned variant)
```

Operations subx and addx have to directly follow subc and addc otherwise the result is undefined. Note that you can use the unsigned flag with the rshr operation to propagate the first bit accordingly.

There are also equivalent operations for floating-point values.

```
freg, freg, freg
                              01 := 02 + 03
faddr
                              01 := 02 + 03
faddi
        freq, freq, fimm
fsubr
       freg, freg, freg
                              01 := 02 - 03
                              01 := 02 - 03
fsubi
       freg, freg, fimm
frsbr
       freg, freg, freg
                              01 := 03 - 02
frsbi
       freg, freg, fimm
                              01 := 03 - 02
       freg, freg, freg
                              01 := 02 * 03
fmulr
fmuli
       freg, freg, fimm
                              01 := 02 * 03
                              01 := 02 / 03
fdivr
       freg, freg, freg
fdivi
        freg, freg, fimm
                              01 := 02 / 03
```

#### 2.3.3 Unary Arithmetic Operations

These operations have two operands, both of which have to be registers.

```
negr reg, reg 01 := -02
notr reg, reg 01 := ~02
fnegr freg, freg 01 := -02
```

#### 2.3.4 Load Operations

These operations transfer data from the memory into a register. Each operation has 3 or 4 operands. The last operand is an immediate value indicating the "size" of the data processed by this operation, i.e., a number of bytes copied from the memory to the register. It can be one of the following values: 1, 2, 4, or 8. Furthermore, the size cannot be larger than the size of the register. If the size of the data copied from the memory is smaller than the size of the register, the value is expanded to fit the entire register. Therefore, it may be necessary to specify additional sign flag.

```
ldxr
                                   01 := *(02 + 03)
        reg, reg, reg, size
ldxi
        reg, reg, imm, size
                                   01 := *(02 + 03)
ldxr_u
        reg, reg, reg, size
                                   01 := *(02 + 03) (unsigned variant)
ldxi_u
        reg, reg, imm, size
                                   01 := *(02 + 03) (unsigned variant)
fldr
        freg, reg, fsize
                                   01 := *02
fldi
        freq, imm, fsize
                                   01 := *02
fldxr
        freg, reg, reg, fsize
                                   01 := *(02 + 03)
fldxi
        freg, reg, imm, fsize
                                   01 := *(02 + 03)
```

#### 2.3.5 Store Operations

These operations transfer data from the register into the memory. Each operation has 3 or 4 operands. The last operand is an immediate value and indicates the "size" of the data, see "Load Operations" for more details. The first operand can be either an immediate or register. Other operands must be registers.

```
*01 := 02
str
        reg, reg, size
sti
        imm, reg, size
                                    *01 := 02
        reg, reg, reg, size
                                    *(01 + 02) := 03
stxr
stxi
        imm, reg, reg, size
                                    *(01 + 02) := 03
fstr
        reg, freg, fsize
                                    *01 := 02
fsti
        imm, freg, fsize
                                    *01 := 02
fstxr
       reg, reg, freg, fsize
                                    *(01 + 02) := 03
       imm, reg, freg, fsize
                                    *(01 + 02) := 03
fstxi
```

#### 2.3.6 Compare Instructions

These operations compare last two operands and store one or zero (if the condition was met or not, respectively) into the first operand. All these operations have three operands. The first two operands have to be registers and the last one can be either a register or an immediate value.

```
lei
       reg, reg, imm
                         01 := (02 <= 03)
ler_u reg, reg, reg
                         01 := (02 <= 03) (unsigned variant)
lei_u reg, reg, imm
                         01 := (02 <= 03) (unsigned variant)
                         01 := (02 > 03)
gtr
       reg, reg, reg
                         01 := (02 > 03)
gti
       reg, reg, imm
                         01 := (02 > 03) (unsigned variant)
gtr_u reg, reg, reg
                         01 := (02 > 03) (unsigned variant)
gti_u reg, reg, imm
                         01 := (02 >= 03)
ger
       reg, reg, reg
                         01 := (02 >= 03)
gei
       reg, reg, imm
                         01 := (02 >= 03) (unsigned variant)
ger_u reg, reg, reg
                         01 := (02 >= 03) (unsigned variant)
gei_u reg, reg, imm
                         01 := (02 == 03)
egr
       reg, reg, reg
                         01 := (02 == 03)
       reg, reg, imm
eqi
                         01 := (02 != 03)
       reg, reg, reg
ner
                         01 := (02 != 03)
nei
       reg, reg, imm
```

#### 2.3.7 Conversions

Register for integer and floating-pint values are independent and in order to convert value from one type to another you have to use one of the following operations.

The operation truncr rounds the value towards zero and is the fastest one. Operations floorr and ceilr rounds the value towards negative or positive infinity, respectively. roundr rounds the given value to the nearest integer.

#### 2.3.8 Function declaration

The following operations and auxiliary macros help to create a function, read its arguments, and return value.

• Operation prolog imm has one operand which is an immediate value, which is a reference to a pointer of the function defined by the intermediate code. In other words, MyJIT generates

machine code for a function which resides somewhere in the memory. The address of the functions is handed by this reference. See the "Getting started" section, for more details and for an illustrative example.

- Operations retr reg, reti imm, fretr freg, fsize, and freti freg, fsize set the return value and return control to the calling procedure (or function).
- Operation declare\_arg imm, imm is not an actual operation but rather an auxiliary function which declares the type of the argument and its size (in this order); declare\_arg can take the following types of arguments
  - JIT\_SIGNED\_NUM signed integer number
  - JIT\_UNSIGNED\_NUM unsigned integer number
  - JIT\_FLOAT floating-point number
  - JIT PTR pointer
- To read an argument there are getarg reg, imm and getarg freg, imm operations having two arguments. The destination register where the input argument will be stored and the immediate value which identifies position of the argument.
- Operation allocal imm reserves space on the stack which has at least the size specified by its operand. Note that the stack space may be aligned to some higher value. The macro returns an integer number which is an *offset from the frame pointer R\_FP!*

#### 2.3.9 Function calls

Each function call is done in three steps. The call is initiated by the operation prepare having no argument. In the second step, arguments are passed to a function using putarg or fputarg. (The arguments are passed in the normal order not in reverse, cf. GNU Lightning.) Afterwards, the function is called with the call operation. To retrieve the returned value you can use operations retval or fretval.

Let us make few notes on function calls:

- If calling a function defined in the same instance of the compiler (e.g., recursive function), you cannot pass values through registers. Each function has its own set of registers.
- Only putargr, putargi, fputargr, and fputargi operations are allowed inside the prepare-call block, otherwise, the behavior of the library is unspecified.
- Passing a floating-point value to a variadic function is not supported on ARMv7 and has undefined behavior.

List of operations related to function calls:

• prepare – prepares function call (generic)

- putargr reg passes an argument to a function
- putargi imm passes an argument to a function
- fputargr freg, fsize passes the argument to a function
- fputargi fimm, fsize passes the argument to a function
- call imm calls a function
- callr reg
- retval reg reads return value
- fretval freg, fsize reads return value

#### 2.3.10 Jumps

Operations jmpi and jmpr can be used to implement unconditional jumps. Both operations have one operand, an address to jump to. To obtain this address you can use the get\_label operation or use the forward declaration along with the patch operation.

- get\_label is not an actual operation; it is a function that returns a jit\_label value—value which corresponds to the current position in the code. This value can be passed to jmpi/call or to a branch operation.
- It may happen that one need to jump into a code which will be defined later. Therefore, one can use the forward declaration and set the address later. This means, one can declare that the operation jmpi or a branch operations jumps to the place defined by the JIT\_FORWARD macro and store the pointer to the operation into some jit\_op \* value. To set the address later, there is the patch imm operation with an argument which is the patched operation. The following code illustrates the situation.

```
op = jmpi JIT_FORWARD
;
; some code
;
patch op
```

#### 2.3.11 Branch Operations

Branch operations represent conditional jumps and all have three operands. The first operand is an immediate value and represents the address to jump to. The latter two are values to be compared. The last operand can be either an immediate value or register.

```
bltr
                              if (02 < 03) goto 01
          imm, reg, reg
blti
          imm, reg, imm
                              if (02 < 03) goto 01
bltr_u
          imm, reg, reg
                              if (02 < 03) goto 01
blti_u
                              if (02 < 03) goto 01
          imm, reg, imm
bler
                              if (02 <= 03) goto 01
          imm, reg, reg
blei
          imm, reg, imm
                               if (02 <= 03) goto 01
bler_u
                              if (02 <= 03) goto 01
          imm, reg, reg
blei_u
          imm, reg, imm
                              if (02 <= 03) goto 01
bgtr
          imm, reg, reg
                              if (02 > 03) goto 01
                              if (02 > 03) goto 01
bgti
          imm, reg, imm
bgtr_u
          imm, reg, reg
                              if (02 > 03) goto 01
bgti_u
          imm, reg, imm
                              if (02 > 03) goto 01
                              if (02 >= 03) goto 01
bger
          imm, reg, reg
                              if (02 >= 03) goto 01
bgei
          imm, reg, imm
bger_u
          imm, reg, reg
                              if (02 >= 03) goto 01
                              if (02 >= 03) goto 01
bgei_u
          imm, reg, imm
beqr
          imm, reg, reg
                              if (02 == 03) goto 01
beqi
          imm, reg, imm
                              if (02 == 03) goto 01
bner
          imm, reg, reg
                              if (02 != 03) goto 01
bnei
                              if (02 != 03) goto 01
          imm, reg, imm
bmsr
                              if (02 & 03) goto 01
          imm, reg, reg
          imm, reg ,imm
                              if (02 & 03) goto 01
bmsi
bmcr
          imm, reg ,reg
                              if !(02 & 03) goto 01
bmci
                               if !(02 & 03) goto 01
          imm, reg ,imm
boaddr
          imm, reg, reg
                              02 += 03, goto 01 on overflow
boaddi
          imm, reg, imm
                              02 += 03, goto 01 on overflow
bnoaddr
                              02 += 03, goto 01 on not overflow
          imm, reg, reg
bnoaddi
          imm, reg, imm
                              02 += 03, goto 01 on not overflow
bosubr
          imm, reg, reg
                              02 -= 03, goto 01 on overflow
bosubi
          imm, reg, imm
                              02 -= 03, goto 01 on overflow
bnosubr
          imm, reg, reg
                              02 -= 03, goto 01 on not overflow
bnosubi
          imm, reg, imm
                              02 -= 03, goto 01 on not overflow
```

```
imm, freg, freg
fbltr
                             if (02 < 03) goto 01
         imm, freg, fimm
fblti
                             if (02 < 03) goto 01
fbler
          imm, freg, freg
                             if (02 <= 03) goto 01
fblei
          imm, freq, fimm
                             if (02 <= 03) goto 01
          imm, freg, freg
                             if (02 > 03) goto 01
fbqtr
fbgti
          imm, freg, fimm
                             if (02 > 03) goto 01
fbger
          imm, freg, freg
                             if (02 >= 03) goto 01
fbgei
          imm, freg, fimm
                             if (02 >= 03) goto 01
          imm, freg, freg
                             if (02 == 03) goto 01
fbegr
fbeqi
          imm, freg, fimm
                             if (02 == 03) goto 01
fbner
          imm, freg, freg
                            if (02 != 03) goto 01
fbnei
          imm, freg, fimm
                             if (02 != 03) goto 01
```

#### 2.3.12 Misc

There is an operation that allows to emit raw bytes of data into a generated code:

```
data_byte imm
```

This operation emits only one byte to a generated code. For convenience there are auxiliary macros emitting a sequence of bytes, string of chars (including the trailing 0), empty area, and values of common sizes, respectively.

```
jit_data_bytes(struct jit *jit, int count, unsigned char *data)
jit_data_str(jit, str)
jit_data_emptyarea(jit, size)
jit_data_word(jit, a)
jit_data_dword(jit, a)
jit_data_qword(jit, a)
```

If you are emitting raw data into a code, it is your responsibility to properly align code. For this purpose there is an operation:

```
jit_align imm
```

This operation takes care of proper code alignment. Note that particular platforms have their specific requirements. On SPARC all instructions have to be aligned to 4 bytes, AMD64 favors alignment to 16 bytes, but it is not mandatory, etc. Safe bet is to use 16 as an operand of this operation.

To obtain reference to a data or code you can use two operations:

```
ref_data reg, imm
ref_code reg, imm
```

That loads address of the label (second operand) into a register. The ref\_data operation is intended for addresses of data (emitted with data\_\* operations) and ref\_code is for address within an ordinary code. Note that address obtained with ref\_code can be used only for local jumps inside a function. If necessary, for instance, if a some sort of branch table is needed, it is possible to emit address as a data with two operations.

```
data_code imm
data_data imm
```

Note that mixing code and data may not be a generally good idea and may lead to various issues, e.g. poor performance, weird behavior, etc. Albeit this feature is part of the library, users are encouraged to place data to some specific part of code (for instance, to the end of code) or use data that are not part of the code and are allocated elsewhere, for instance, with ordinary malloc.

# 3 Getting Started

We start with a really simple example—function returning its argument incremented by one. The source code of this example can be found in demol.c which is part of the MyJIT package.

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
// includes the header file
#include "myjit/jitlib.h"
// pointer to a function accepting one argument of type long and returning long value
typedef long (* plfl)(long);
int main()
{
        // creates a new instance of the compiler
        struct jit * p = jit_init();
        plfl foo;
        // the code generated by the compiler will be assigned to the function `foo'
        jit_prolog(p, &foo);
        // the first argument of the function
        jit_declare_arg(p, JIT_SIGNED_NUM, sizeof(long));
        // moves the first argument into the register R(0)
        jit_getarg(p, R(0), 0);
        // takes the value in R(0), increments it by one, and stores the result into the
        // register R(1)
        jit_addi(p, R(1), R(0), 1);
```

```
// returns from the function and returns the value stored in the register R(1)
    jit_retr(p, R(1));

// compiles the above defined code
    jit_generate_code(p);

// checks, if it works
    printf("Check #1: %li\n", foo(1));
    printf("Check #2: %li\n", foo(100));
    printf("Check #3: %li\n", foo(255));

// if you are interested, you can dump the machine code
    // this functionality is provided through the `gcc' and `objdump'
    // jit_dump_ops(p, JIT_DEBUG_CODE);

// cleanup
    jit_free(p);
    return 0;
}
```

We assume that the code above is quite (self-)explanatory, and thus, we do not include more comments on this. However, let us make a note on compiling programs using MyJIT. To start with MyJIT, it is sufficient to copy the myjit subdirectory into your project. Programs using the MyJIT should include the #include "myjit/jitlib.h" header file. In order to link the application and build a proper executable file, it is necessary to also compile "myjit/libjit-core.c".

For instance, to build a program with gcc you may use the following steps:

```
gcc -c -g -Winline -Wall -std=c99 -pedantic -D_XOPEN_SOURCE=600 demo1.c
gcc -c -g -Winline -Wall -std=c99 -pedantic -D_XOPEN_SOURCE=600 myjit/jitlib-core.c
gcc -o demo1 -g -Wall -std=c99 -pedantic demo1.o jitlib-core.o
```

The first command compiles the example, the second one compiles functions used by MyJIT, and the last one links the object files together and creates an execute file—demo1.

It should be emphasized that MyJIT conforms to the C99 standard and all MyJIT files should be compiled according to this standard.

We also recommend to check out the demo2.c and demo3.c examples which are also included in the MyJIT package.

# 4 Debugging

### 4.1 Debugging messages

MyJIT contains several tools simplifying development. One of them is the msg operation which prints out the given message or a value of the given register. The msg operation has one or two operands. The first one is always an immediate value which is the string to display. The second operand is optional and it must be a register. In this case the first string serves as the format string for printf and the value of the register is printed out using this string. The example of the msg operation usage:

```
jit_msg(jit, "Simple message\n");
jit_msgr(jit, "Reg 1: %l\n", R(1));
```

## 4.2 Warnings

One of the MyJIT's goals is to achieve maximal performance while emitting code. Thus, it does not do many checks while generating machine code from the intermediate language. Therefore, if the code in the intermediate language contains an error, it leads to a faulty machine code, and subsequently to a crash of the program. In order to avoid such errors, MyJIT contains a function:

```
void jit_check_code(struct jit *jit, int warnings);
```

Which can be called before code generation and which can point out to the most common errors. In the second argument you may specify if you want to be warned about all types of errors (JIT\_WARN\_ALL) or you can pick only some of them from the following list:

- JIT\_WARN\_DEAD\_CODE detects unreachable code
- JIT\_WARN\_OP\_WITHOUT\_EFFECT displays warnings about operations without effect
- JIT\_WARN\_INVALID\_DATA\_SIZE displays warning if the size operand does not contain a valid value (i.e., 1, 2, 4, or 8)
- JIT\_WARN\_UNINITIALIZED\_REG displays warning if an uninitialized register is used
- JIT\_WARN\_REGISTER\_TYPE\_MISMATCH displays warning if a general purpose register is used in place where the floating point register is expected, or vice versa

- JIT\_WARN\_MISSING\_PATCH reports all jump operations with a JIT\_FORWARD declaration but without corresponding patch
- JIT\_WARN\_UNALIGNED\_CODE displays warning if the code follows data section without alignment
- JIT\_WARN\_INVALID\_CODE\_REFERENCE displays warning if ref\_code or data\_code is referring to a data and not to a valid code
- JIT\_WARN\_INVALID\_DATA\_REFERENCE displays warning if ref\_data or data\_data is referring to a code and not to a data
- JIT\_WARN\_ALL displays all warnings

### 4.3 Code listing

In real programs is MyJIT typically called from various functions and code is constructed in several steps, thus it is sometimes difficult to figure out, how the code looks like. Therefore, MyJIT provides several means allowing to inspect final code in the intermediate language as well as in the machine code. This functionality is provided through the jit\_dump\_ops function. In the second argument you may specify if you want to list:

- list of all operations in the intermediate language (JIT\_DEBUG\_OPS)
- generated machine code (JIT\_DEBUG\_CODE)
- combination of both MyJIT operations and machine code (JIT\_DEBUG\_COMBINED)

To make the navigation through the listing easier, we have included one auxiliary operation:

```
comment imm
```

Which has only one argument – string which will appear only in the dumps.

NOTICE! Do not use debugging operations and functions in the production code. These operations are not efficient and may lead to a poor performance. You should rather call the printf function explicitly. The <code>jit\_dump\_ops</code> with the <code>JIT\_DEBUG\_CODE</code> is using <code>gcc</code> and <code>objdump</code> to disassemble the code, therefore, these two programs have to be present in the system, or, on OS X clang and <code>otool</code> are used. The <code>JIT\_DEBUG\_COMBINED</code> option requires <code>myjit-disasm</code> disassembler in the directory along with the debugged program, or the path to the disassembler has to be specified in the <code>MYJIT\_DISASM</code> environment variable.

Examples of the outputs for the above mentioned source code.

#### 4.3.1 Example of the IL listing (JIT\_DEBUG\_OPS)

prolog 0xbfe62858 declarg integer, 0x4 getarg r0, 0x0 addi r1, r0, 0x1 retr r1

### 4.3.2 Example of the machine code listing (JIT\_DEBUG\_CODE)

00000000000000000 <main>:

0: 55 гЬр push 1: 48 8b ec rbp,rsp MOV rsp,0x20 4: 48 83 ec 20 sub 8: 48 8b f7 rsi,rdi MOV b: 48 8d 46 01 lea rax,[rsi+0x1] f: 48 8b e5 rsp,rbp MOV 12: 5d рор гЬр 13: c3 ret

### 4.3.3 Example of the combined listing (JIT\_DEBUG\_COMBINED)

prolog 0x7fffa0371db0

0000: 55 push rbp 0001: 48 8b ec mov rbp, rsp 0004: 48 83 ec 20 sub rsp, 0x20

declare\_arg integer, 0x8 getarg r0, 0x0

0008: 48 8b f7 mov rsi, rdi

addi r1, r0, 0x1

000b: 48 8d 46 01 lea rax, [rsi+0x1]

retr r1

000f: 48 8b e5 mov rsp, rbp

0012: 5d pop rbp 0013: c3 ret

# 5 Optimizations

Support for multiple optimizations is available since release 0.7. These optimizations may speed up your code but the code generation may take longer. Therefore, you can turn particular optimization off and on using jit\_disable\_optimization and jit\_enable\_optimization functions, respectively. Currently, there are available the following optimizations:

- JIT\_OPT\_OMIT\_UNUSED\_ASSIGNEMENTS compiler skips unused assignments. (Turned off by default.)
- JIT\_OPT\_JOIN\_ADDMUL if possible, compiler joins adjacent mul and add (or two add's) into one LEA operation (Turned on by default.)
- JIT\_OPT\_OMIT\_FRAME\_PTR if possible, compiler skips prolog and epilogue of the function. This significantly speeds up small functions. (Turned on by default.)

The optimized code for above mentioned example looks like this:

#### 00000000 <main>:

0: 8b 4c 24 04 mov ecx,DWORD PTR [esp+0x4]4: 8d 41 01 lea eax,[ecx+0x1]7: c3 ret

Or, like this:

#### 00000000000000000 <main>:

0: 48 8d 47 01 lea rax,[rdi+1] 4: c3 ret

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### 6.1 Getting MyJIT

The source code including this documentation and examples is available at SourceForge (http://sourceforge.net/projects/myjit/files) as of other information (http://sourceforge.net/projects/myjit)

You can also checkout the latest release from the GIT repository:

git clone git://git.code.sf.net/p/myjit/maincode myjit-maincode

#### 6.2 Documentation

Documentation is available in the doc/ directory and on the project's website as a text file, PDF file, or as a single HTML page.

#### 6.3 License

MyJIT is distributed under the terms of GNU Lesser General Public License v.3 or later (at your option).

Despite the fact that MyJIT is very similar to GNU Lightning, it does not share any source code with this project. However, some files come from the Mono project by Novel. (http://www.mono-project.com)

# 7 Notes on Development

- The primary use of this library is in our compiler of the Schemik programming language and the development of this library is driven by requirements of this compiler. Nevertheless, MyJIT is a general purpose library and its functionality is not limited.
- Another notable user of the library is Tigress obfuscator.
- The library is almost complete and each release undergoes extensive testing (hundreds of tests), therefore, we hope there are no serious bugs. If you found any, please, let us know.
- Despite the fact that the library is almost complete, it is still under development and the API may slightly (but not much) change in the near future.
- Only the i386, AMD64, ARMv7-A, and SPARC platforms are supported right now, however, port to other architecture should be easy and straightforward.
- The ARMv7 port was only made possible by generous support from Christian Collberg, University of Arizona.
- At this moment, MyJIT has support for floating point arithmetics. However, i386 port supports only processors having SSE2 unit, i.e., floating-point operations won't work on legacy CPUs without this unit.
- If you are using this library or if you want to contribute some code (e.g., port to some architecture), please, let us know.
- The documentation lacks information on internals of MyJIT. This is purely intentional because the library is still developed. We expect that the quality of the documentation will improve with the maturity of the project. If in doubts, ask in the mailing list (myjit-devel@lists.sourceforge.net If you would like to participate on documentation improvements, please let us know, we will really appreciate it.