

COSC4503 PROGRAM TRANSLATION

Program Assignment #0 (LHF)

From C++ to MIPS In 1 Week

The purpose of this warm-up assignment is to introduce you to the world of program translation in one week. This assignment involves the translation of a C++ source code file into a MIPS assembly file.

The source code file is a program in the C++ language. The source code is g++ compile-able, so the output is clearly understood and there is no need for additional error-handling in this assignment.

The output file is a complete MIPS assembly code file that will run on the MARS MIPS-simulator.

For example, given the following .cmm source file

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// copy any comments from the source code

int main(int argc, char** argv) {

    int s = 123;
    s = 456;
    cout << s;

    return 0;
}
```

Something similar to the following MIPS translation would be generated by your program

```
# copy any comments from the source code
.data
# int s = 123;
s: .word 123
.text
# s = 456;
la $t0, s
li $t8, 456
sw $t8, 0($t0)
# cout << s;
lw $a0, 0($t0)
li $v0, 1
syscall
# return 0
li $v0, 10
syscall
# system call for exit
# program terminated.
```

INPUT

- 1) Allow the user to enter the C-- source code filename as a command line argument.

OUTPUT

- 2) The output file will share the filename of the source code with the addition of the ".asm" extension.

NOTE

- 3) Standalone comment lines will be copied from the source code to the assembly file.
- 4) The Cmm statement appears as a comment in the MIPS code, preceding the assembly translation of the statement.
- 5) Assume that each program concludes with a "**return 0;**" statement.
- 6) Sequence is the only control structure permitted in the C-- programs.
- 7) The only statements are assignment and output to console.
- 8) The assignment statement is limited to a single integer literal on the right hand side.
- 9) The output statement is limited to a single integer variable argument.
- 10) There is only one function defined in the C-- program, the **main()**.
- 11) All C-- variable are of type **int** and each variable is declared on a separate line as the first lines in the **main()** function.
- 12) There are at most 8 C-- variables and each has a unique single character name in the range [a..z].
- 13) The C-- variables are translated into the MIPS temporary registers \$t0-\$t7. Temporary register \$t8 is used in the assignment statement translation.

(list additional notes given in class below)