

Design of Deeplang FrontEnd

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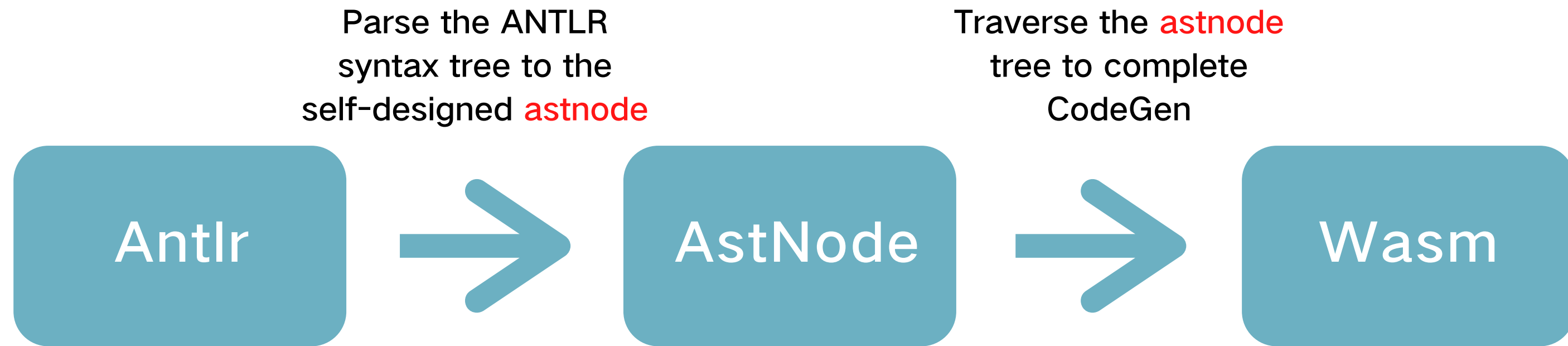
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1. Overview



- Confirm the deepLang syntax;
- **Manually** write the recursive descent analyzer;

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Besides AST building.....

- Driver
- Error diagnosis and handling
- Application
- Optimization of IR level
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```
$ gcc-4.9 -fsyntax-only t.c
t.c: In function 'int f(int, int)':
t.c:7:39: error: invalid operands to binary + (have 'int' and 'struct A')
      return y + func(y ? ((SomeA.X + 40) + SomeA) / 42 + SomeA.X : SomeA.X);
                                ^
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                                ~~~~~^~~~~
```

```
> clang -### factorial.c
clang version 10.0.0
Target: x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu
Thread model: posix
InstalledDir: /data/llvm/build/bin
"/data/llvm/build/bin/clang-10" "-cc1" "-triple" "x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu" "-emit-obj"
"-mrelax-all" "-disable-free" "-main-file-name" "factorial.c"
"-mrelocation-model" "static" "-mthread-model" "posix"
"-mframe-pointer=all" "-fmath-errno"
"-internal-isystem" "/data/llvm/build/lib/clang/10.0.0/include"
...
"-x" "c" "factorial.c"
"/usr/bin/ld" "-z" "relro" "--hash-style=gnu" "--eh-frame-hdr" "-m" "elf_x86_64"
"-dynamic-linker" "/lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2" "-o" "a.out"
...
```

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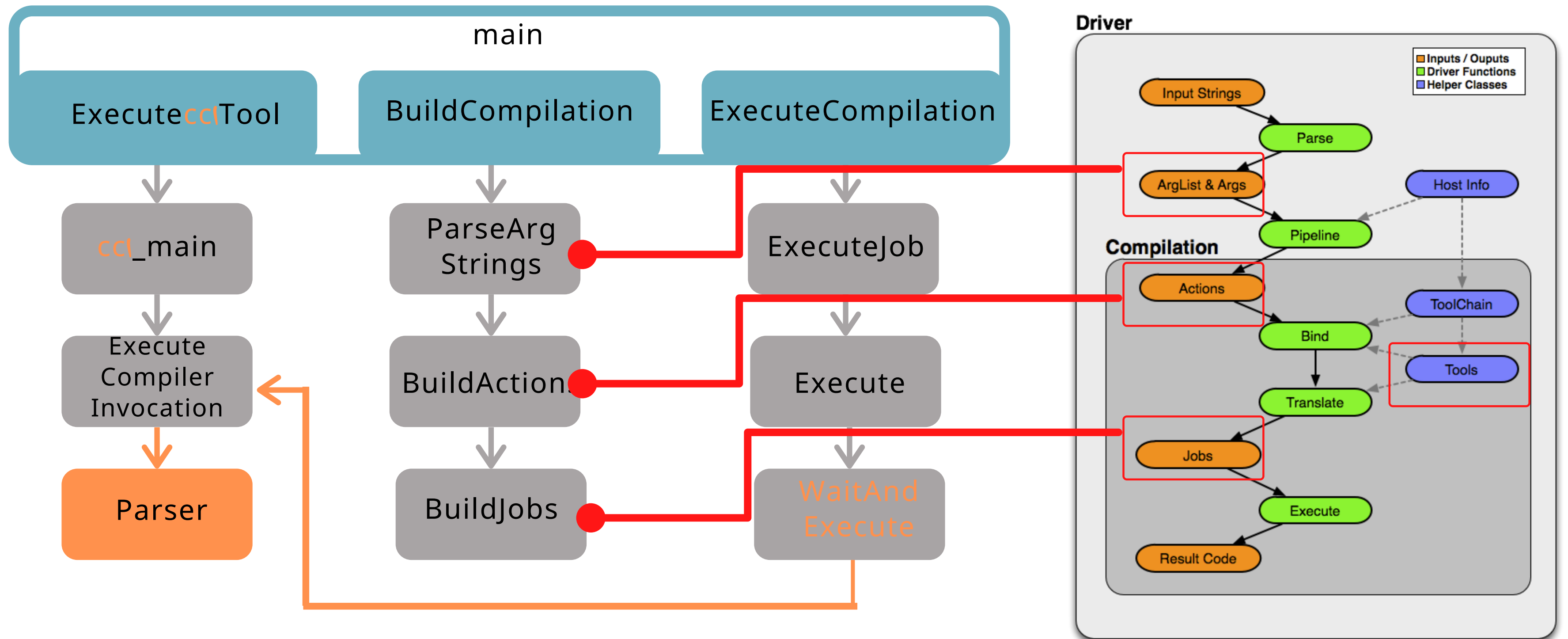
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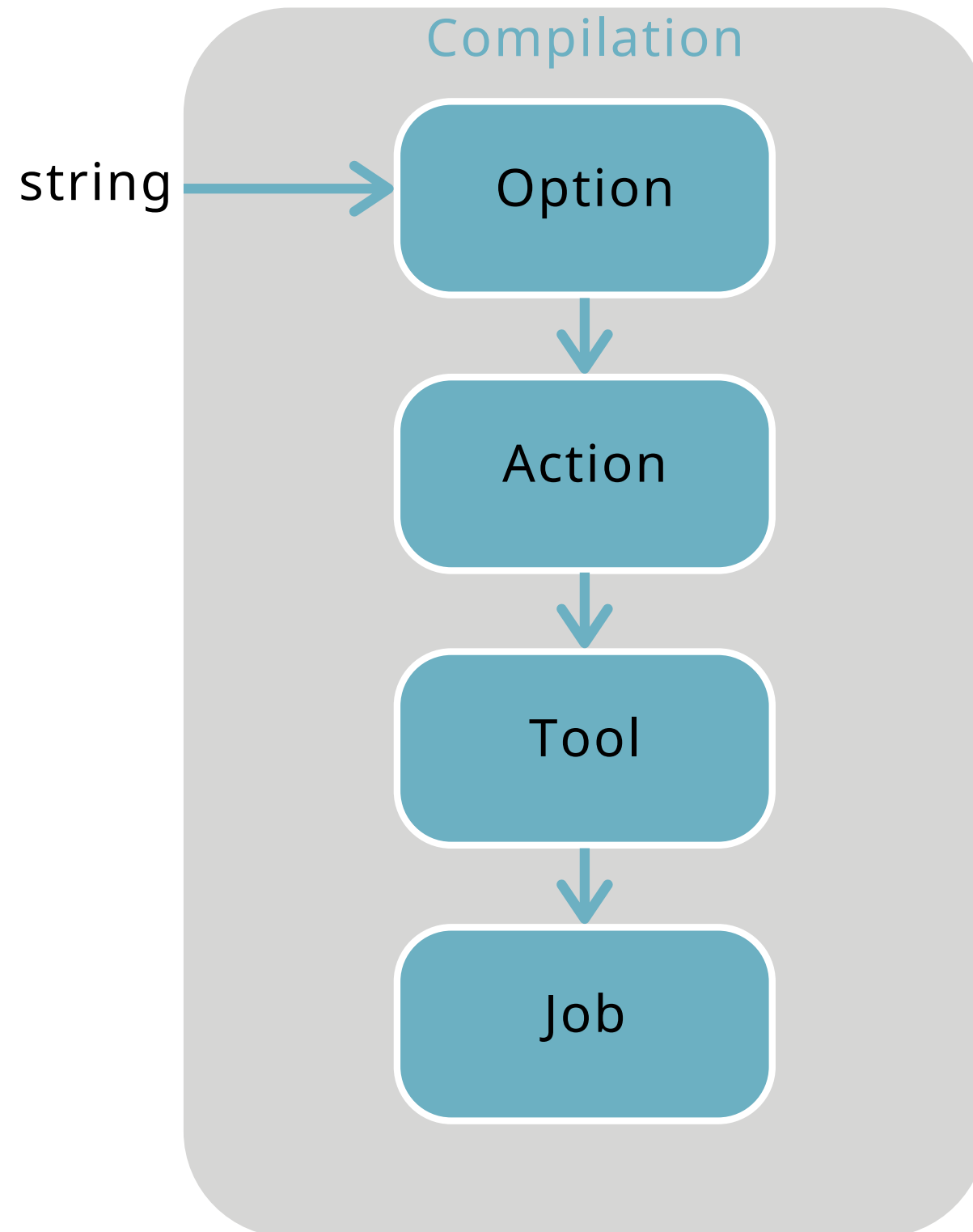
2.About Clang

- ① Clang is a compiler driver.
 - Driving all phases of a compiler invocation, e.g. preprocessing, compiling, linking.
- ① Clang is a C language family frontend.
 - Compiling C-like code to LLVM IR. Known as **cc1**.
- ① What's the relationship between driver and cc1 ?

2.1 Clang As Driver



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Options.td use tableGen to define sepcfic Compile **options**.

By: **options::OPT_XXX**

Eg: def **ccc_print_phases**

```
CCCPrintPhases = Args.hasArg(options::OPT_ccc_print_phases);  
  
if (CCCPrintPhases) {  
    PrintActions(*C);  
    return C;  
}
```

Driver.cpp construct Job instances according to Actions of Compliation

BuildJobs

BuildJobsForAction

selectTool

```
531  
532 Tool *ToolChain::SelectTool(const JobAction &JA) const {  
533     if (D.IsFlangMode() && getDriver().ShouldUseFlangCompiler(JA)) return getFlang();  
534     if (getDriver().ShouldUseClangCompiler(JA)) return getClang();  
535     Action::ActionClass AC = JA.getKind();  
536     if (AC == Action::AssembleJobClass && useIntegratedAs())  
537         return getClangAs();  
538     return getTool(AC);  
539 }
```

Tool meas obj-tool like as, ld etc.

Driver.cpp creates corresponding **Actions** according to **options**.

```
// Construct the list of abstract actions to perform for this compilation. On  
// Darwin OSes this uses the driver-driver and builds universal actions.  
const ToolChain &TC = C.getDefaultToolChain();  
if (TC.getTriple().isOSBinFormatMachO())  
    BuildUniversalActions(C, TC, Inputs);  
else  
    BuildActions(C, C.getArgs(), Inputs, C.getActions());
```

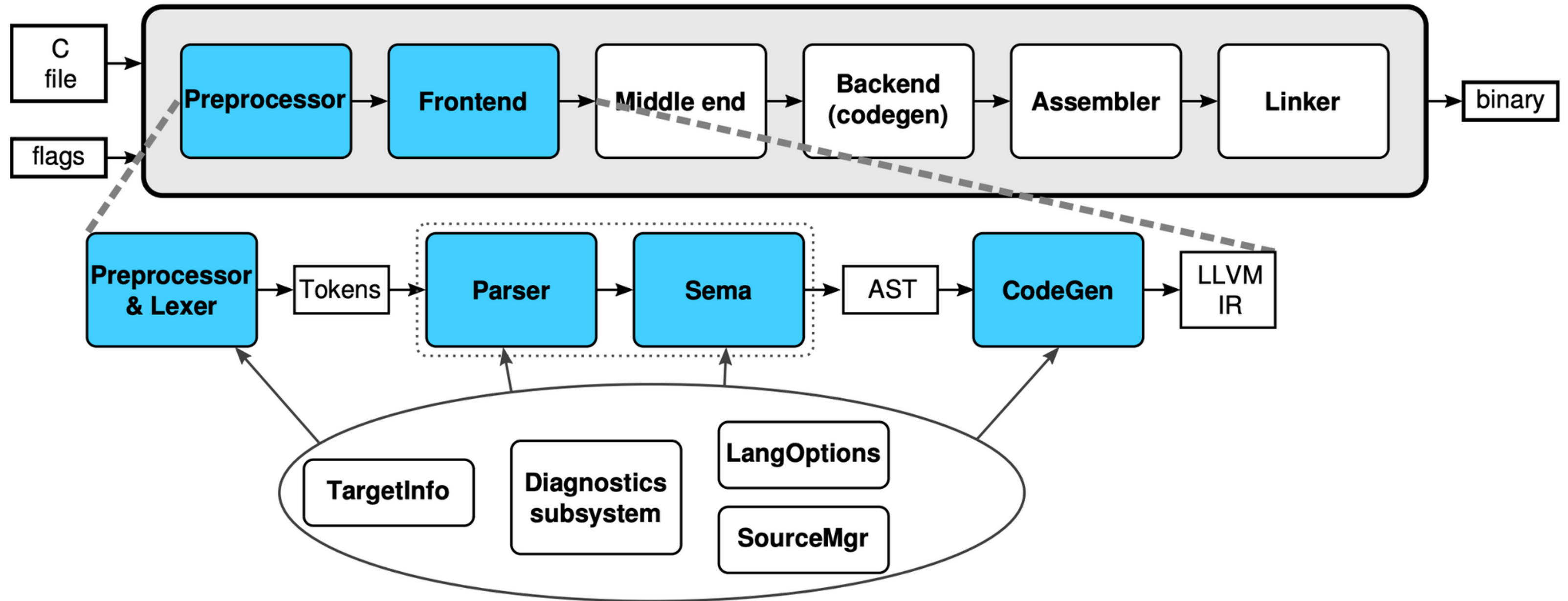
Driver::getFinalPhasesActions has abstraction of preprocess, compile, linking. Execute all by default

```
// -{E,EP,P,M,MM} only run the preprocessor.  
if (CCCIsCPP() || (PhaseArg = DAL.getLastArg(options::OPT_E)) ||  
    (PhaseArg = DAL.getLastArg(options::OPT_SLASH_EP)) ||  
    (PhaseArg = DAL.getLastArg(options::OPT_M, options::OPT_MM)) ||  
    (PhaseArg = DAL.getLastArg(options::OPT_SLASH_P))) {  
    FinalPhase = phases::Preprocess;  
  
// --precompile only runs up to precompilation.  
} else if ((PhaseArg = DAL.getLastArg(options::OPT_precompile))) {  
    FinalPhase = phases::Precompile;
```

C is a Compilation instance.

BuildJobs(C);

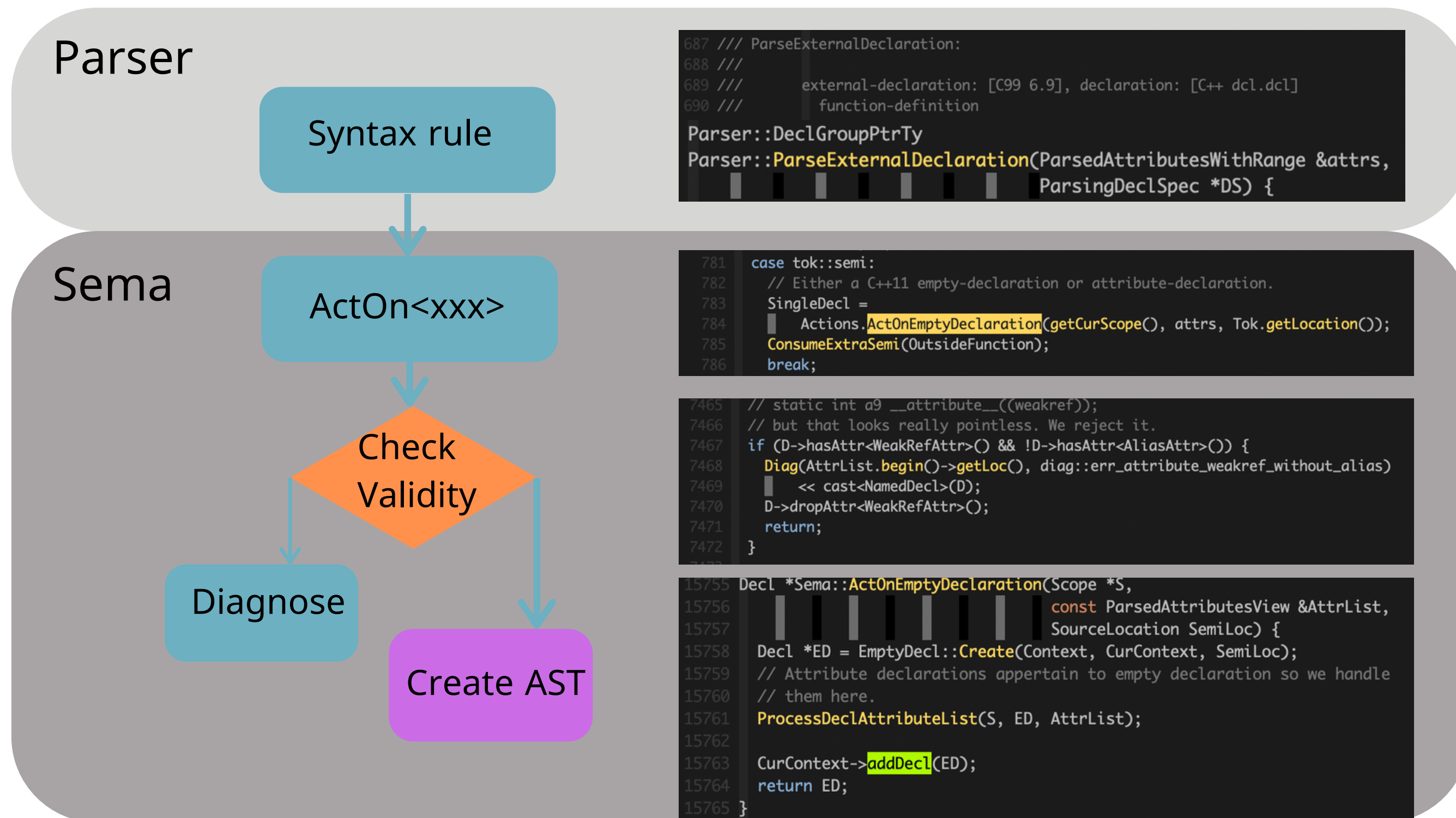
2.2 Clang As Frontend



2.2.1 Diagnostics subsystem

- Better reading
 - Severity: **note**, **warning**, or **error**
 - Source location: `xxx.cpp:1`
 - Message: “unknown type name ‘int’; did you mean ‘int’?”
- Defined in `Diagnostic*Kinds.td` TableGen files
- Emitted through helper function `Diag`

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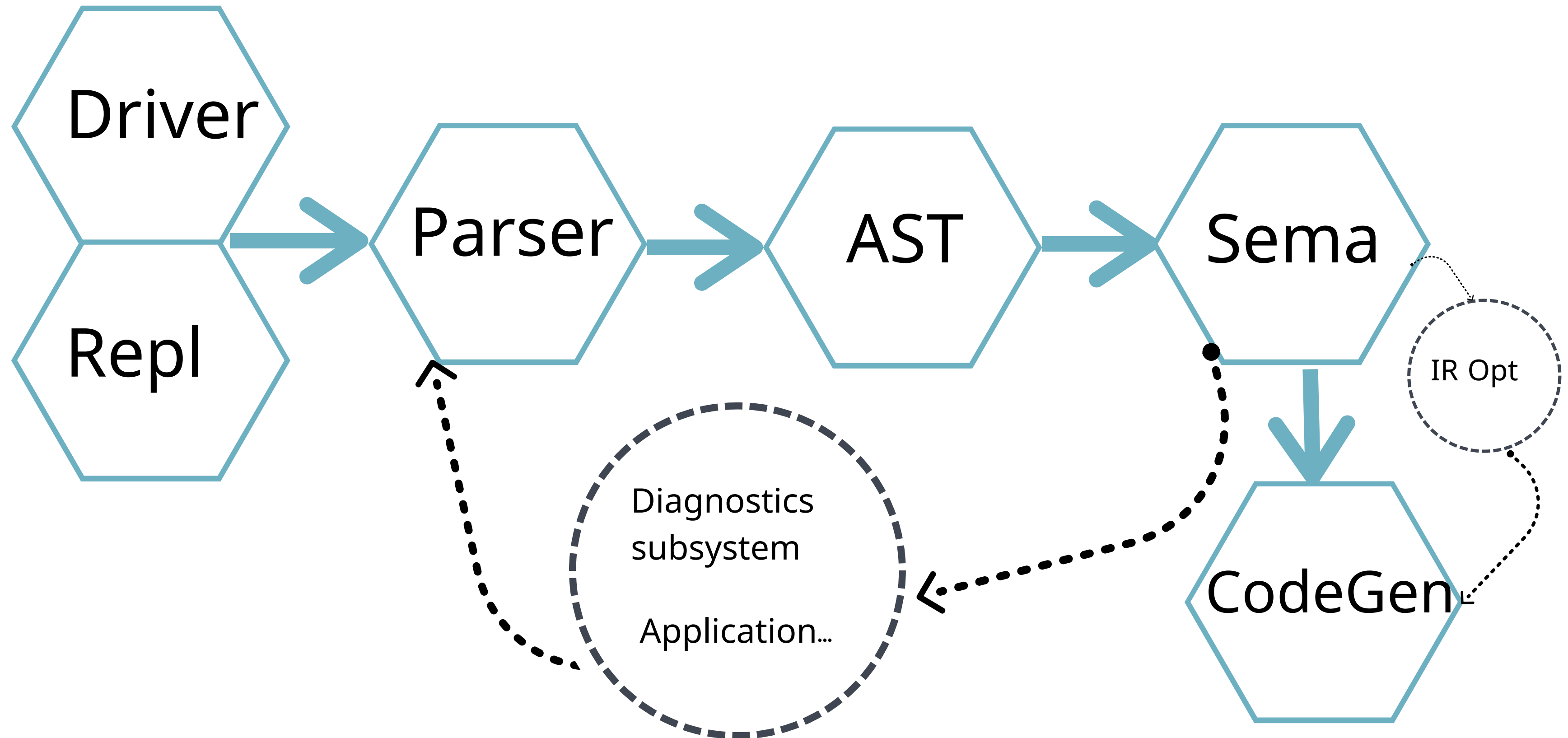
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