

Compilers.

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00002ed0: 084e 894c 2808 4983 c508 4e8b 542b 084e  .N.L(.I...N.T+.N  
00002ee0: 8954 2808 4983 c508 4d39 dd0f 84ef 0a00  .T(.I...M9.....  
00002ef0: 004e 8b64 2b08 4e89 6428 0849 8b7c 1d10  .N.d+.N.d(.I.|..  
00002f00: 4a89 7c28 104d 8b74 1d18 4e89 7428 1849  J.|(.M.t..N.t(.I  
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...
```

Magic!

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...not really

Small pieces

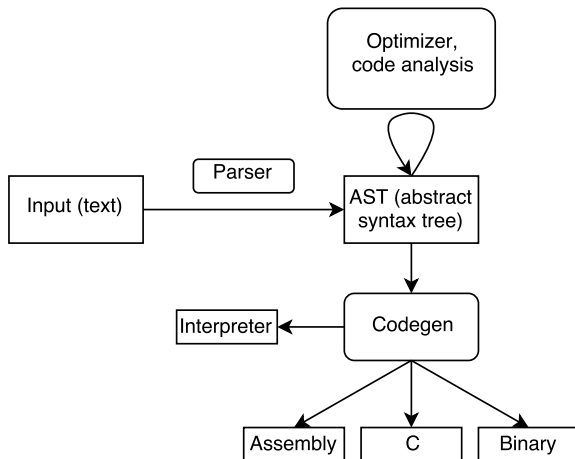


Figure 1: Compiler pipeline

Parsing

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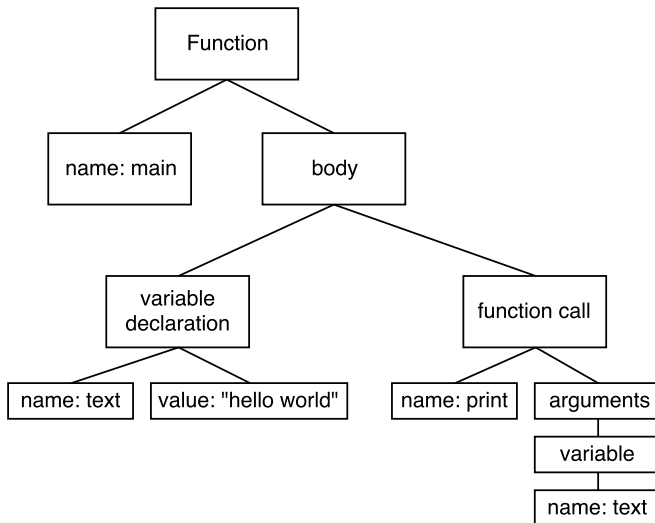


Figure 2: Abstract syntax tree

Program analysis: arity checking

```
def add(x,y):  
    x + y
```

```
main = print(add(3,4,5))
```

Program analysis: variable bindings

```
def main():  
    text = "hello world"  
    print(foobar)
```

Program analysis: type checking

```
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    length(list) == 0  
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main = print(2 == "hello")
```

Program analysis: dead code

```
def main():  
    text = "hello world"  
    print(text)  
    return  
    throw "oh noes"
```

Optimization: inlining

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def main():  
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    text = "hello world"  
    print(text)  
  
def main2():  
    print("hello world") # Allocation omitted
```

Optimization: dependency analysis/floating in

```
def main():  
    x = readLine  
    y = expensive()  
    if x == "secret"  
        then print("hello world")  
        else print(y)
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        then print("hello world")  
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def main2():  
    x = readLine  
    if x == "secret"  
        then print("hello world")  
        else  
            y = expensive()  
            print(y)
```

Optimization: CSE

```
def main():  
    print(expensive())  
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```
def main():  
    print(expensive())  
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def main2():  
    # Trading time for memory  
    temp = expensive()  
    print(temp)  
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```

Optimization: constant folding, propagation

```
def main():  
    x = 5  
    print(1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + x)
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def main():  
    x = 5  
    print(1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + x)  
  
def main2():  
    print(15)
```

Optimization: loop unrolling

```
def main():  
    for i = 1...3:  
        print(i)
```


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```
def main():  
    for i = 1...3:  
        print(i)  
  
def main2():  
    print(1) # loop variable avoided  
    print(2)  
    print(3)
```

Optimization: loop fusion

```
def main():  
    x = y = 0  
    for i = 1...3:  
        x++  
    for j = 1..3:  
        y++  
    print(x + y)
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    for i = 1..3  
        x++  
        y++  
    print(x + y)
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Optimization: bit twiddling

```
def abs(x):  
    if x < 0  
        then -x  
    else x  
  
main =  
    x <- readLine  
    if abs(x) >= 0  
        then print "..."  
    else print "Is this dead?"
```

Code generation

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# High level  
for i = 1..3:  
    print(i)  
print(123)
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for i = 1..3:
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; Low level

[illegible]

Code generation

Translate to processor opcodes

```
0x00          0x01 0x01
0x00          0x05 0x03
; loop:
0x02          0x02 0x02 0x01
0x00          0x02 0x01
0x07 <link: print>
0x03          0x04 0x01 0x05
0x02          0x01 0x01 0x01
0x06          0x04 0x05
0x02          0x02 0x02 0x01
0x00          0x02 0x7b
0x07 <link: print>
```

Linking

Put program alongside its libraries into a single file

```
0x0a00          0x0a01 0x0a01
0x0a00          0x0a05 0x0a03
0x0a02          0x0a02 0x0a02 0x0a01
0x0a00          0x0a02 0x0a01
0x0a07 0x03d4
0x0a03          0x0a04 0x0a01 0x0a05
0x0a02          0x0a01 0x0a01 0x0a01
0x0a06          0x0a04 0x0a05
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Linking

Make it wholly unreadable

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Linking: add runtime

- ▶ Where is the main function?
- ▶ What to do after the program ends?
- ▶ Garbage collection
- ▶ Memory management

More advanced features

- ▶ JIT compilation
- ▶ Complex runtimes
- ▶ Complex parsers
- ▶ Smart GC
- ▶ Smart recompilation
- ▶ Hot swapping

```
> echo "main = putStrLn \"Hello, world!\"" > Hello.hs
```

```
> ghc -O2 Hello.hs
```

```
[1 of 1] Compiling Main (Hello.hs, Hello.o)
```

```
Linking Hello ...
```

```
> ./Hello
```

```
Hello, world!
```