



Comparing STG and GRIN

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Overview

Spineless Tagless G-machine

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Why functional?

Declarativeness

pro: can program on a higher abstraction level

Composability

pro: can easily piece together smaller programs

con: results in a lot of function calls

• Functions are first class citizens

pro: higher order functions

con: unknown function calls

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- aggressive code optimization



Spineless Tagless G-machine

























```
and :: Bool -> Bool -> Bool
and True True = True
and _ = False
```







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```







```
and x y = case x of
  True -> case y of
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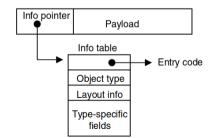
































 $\texttt{case} \, * \, \texttt{of} \, \left\{ \dots \right\}$







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case * of {...}
Update x *
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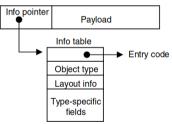
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STG examples

 $id = \langle x - \rangle x$

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one = \ -> Int# 1#;
```

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    Int# y' -> case +# x' y' of
      r -> Int# r:
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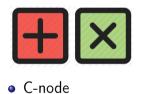


















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  pure x.0'</pre>
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eval p =
 v <- fetch p
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   r.id \leftarrow id x.1
   update p r.id
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ptr <- store one
thunk <- pure (Fid ptr)
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   pure r.id
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   pure (P1_add u)
  (P1 \text{ add } z) \rightarrow \text{add } z u
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!









