

① Explain the design issues of code generation.

The issues of code generation are as follows:-

① Input to code generator :-

→ The input to the code generator is an intermediate representation of source program produced by the frontend and the information stored in the symbol table.

→ The information is used to determine run-time addresses of data objects denoted by names in IR.

There are different kinds of IR :-

a) Three address representations :- Quadruples, Triples, Indirect triples

b) Virtual machine representations :- bytecode, stack machine code

c) linear representation :- Postfix notation

d) graphical representation :- Syntax Tree, DAG's.

→ The code generator assumes that the input is free from all kinds of errors.

## ii) Target Program:-

- The output of code generator is target program which has a significant impact.
- The target machine also has a significant impact on the difficulty of constructing a good code generator that produces high quality machine code.
- The common target machine architecture are RISC, CISC and stack based where each of them pose their own difficulty.
- There are variety of output possible but Absolute machine language has an advantage that it can be placed in a fixed location in memory and immediately executed.
- Relocatable machine language program allows sub programs to be compiled separately.
- Producing Assembly language program makes job of code generator easier.

### (ii) Instruction selection:-

- The code generator must map the IR program into a code sequence that can be executed by the target machine.
- The complexity of this is determined by:-
  - Level of IR
  - The nature of instruction-set architecture
  - Desired quality of generated code.
- If IR is high level :- poor code, low efficient code
- Nature of Instruction set :- Set of target machine has a strong effect on difficulty of instruction selection
- Uniformity and completeness of instruction set are important factor.

### (iv) Register Allocation:-

- Instruction involving register operands are usually shorter and faster than those involving memory.
- Efficient utilization of limited set of registers is important to generate good code.

→ The use of register is subdivided into two problems:-

- Register allocation , during which we select the set of variables that will reside in registers at each point of program
- Register assignment,during which we pick specific register that variable will reside in.

#### ⑤ Evaluation Order :-

- The order in which computations are performed can affect the efficiency of target code.
- Picking a best order in general case is a difficult NP- Complete Problem.
- When instructions are independent , their evaluation order can be changed to utilize registers and save on instruction cost.

② Write short notes on the following with respect to optimization of basic block:-

i) Local common Subexpression

ii) Dead code Elimination

i) Local Common Subexpression :-

→ Local common subexpressions are the instructions that compute a value <sup>that has</sup> already been computed.

$$a = b + c$$

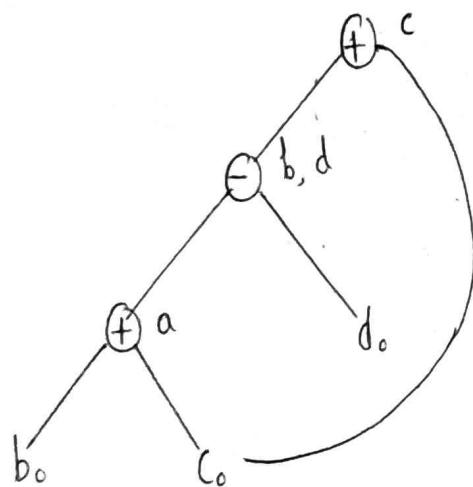
$$b = a - d$$

$$c = b + c$$

$$d = a - d$$

→ In the above given 3 address code we can see that the instruction  $d = a - d$  is computing the same value that the instruction  $b = a - d$  has already computed since value of 'a' and 'd' does not change.

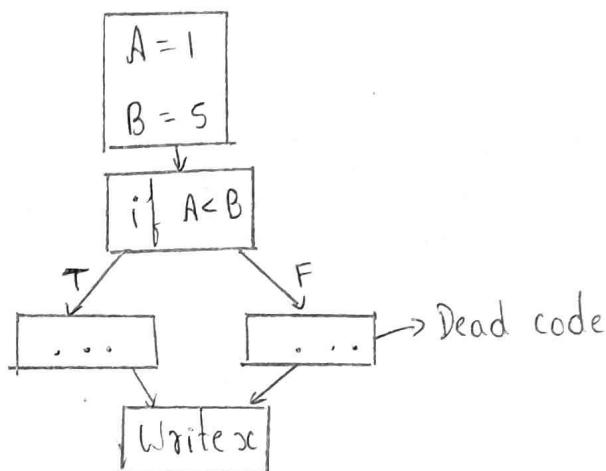
- The common subexpression can be detected by noticing, as a new node M is about to be added, whether there is an existing node N with the same value of children in the same order with the same operator. If so, N computes the same value as M and may be used in its place.



- In the above Sub-DAG, we can see that a single node is marked with two variables b, d depicting that they are the local common subexpression.

## (ii) Dead code Elimination :-

- Dead code refers to the sections of code within the program that is never executed during runtime and has no impact on program's output & behaviour.



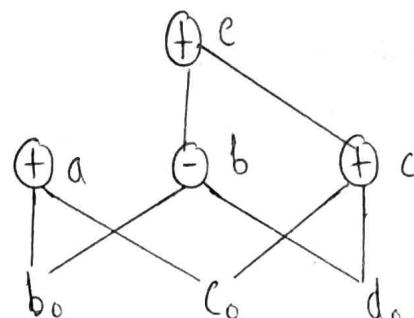
- To remove dead code from the program we delete any root (node with no ancestors) from DAG that has no live variables attached i.e it is unused & unreachable

$$a = b + c$$

$$b = b - d$$

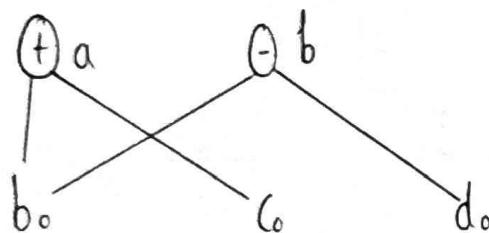
$$c = c + d$$

$$e = b + c$$



- In the given DAG, a & b are live but c and e are not, we can immediately remove the root labelled e.
- Then, node labelled c becomes a root and can be removed. The roots labelled a & b remain, since they each have live variables attached.

After dead code removal:-



- ③ Explain code generation algorithm and generate code for the following expression  $x = (a - b) + (a + c)$

- The essential part of the algorithm is a function `getReg(z)` which selects registers for each memory<sup>location</sup> associated with the three-address code instruction I.

→ Machine Instructions for Operations :-

For a three-address instruction such as  $x = y + z$ , do the following:

- i) Use getReg( $x = y + z$ ) to select registers for  $x, y$  and  $z$ . Call these  $R_x, R_y$  and  $R_z$
- ii) If  $y$  is not in  $R_y$  (according to register descriptor for  $R_y$ ), then issue an instruction  $LD R_y, y'$ , where  $y'$  is one of the memory locations of  $y$  (according to address descriptor of  $y$ ).
- iii) Similarly, if  $z$  is not in  $R_z$ , issue an instruction  $LD R_z, z'$ , where  $z'$  is location for  $z$ .
- iv) Issue the instruction  $ADD R_x, R_y, R_z$ .

→ Ending of Basic Block :-

For each variable  $x$ , we must generate the instruction  $ST x, R$  where  $R$  is the register in which  $x$ 's value exists at the end of block.

Given expression :-  $x = (a - b) + (a + c)$

The three address code is :-

$$t = a - b$$

$$u = a + c$$

$$v = t + u$$

$$x = v$$

where,  $t, u, v$  are temporaries.

$t = a - b$  : LD R<sub>1</sub>, a  
                  LD R<sub>2</sub>, b  
                  SUB R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>

$u = a + c$  : LD R<sub>3</sub>, c  
                  ADD R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>

$v = t + u$  : ADD R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>

$x = v$  : ST X, R<sub>3</sub>

④ Write the three address code, basic block, flow graph for the following program segment:-

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for (i=0; i<10; i++)
    for (j=0; j<10; j++)
        a[i, j] = 0.0;
    for (i=0; i<10; i++)
        a[i, i] = 1.0;
    
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### 3 - Address code :-

$i = 0$

$c_1 : \text{if } i <= 10 \text{ goto } L_1$   
 $\text{else goto } L_2$

$L_1 : j = 0$

$c_2 : \text{if } i <= 10 \text{ goto } L_3$   
 $\text{else goto } L_4$

$L_{1/2} \dots$

$L_4 : t_5 = i + 1$   
 $i = t_5$   
 $\text{goto } c_1$

$L_3 : t_1 = i * 40$

$t_2 = j * 4$

$t_3 = t_1 + t_2$

$a[t_3] = 0.0$

$t_4 = j + 1$

$j = t_4$

$\text{goto } c_2$

$L_2 : i = 0$

$c_3 : \text{if } i < 10 \text{ goto } L_5$   
 $\text{else goto } L_6$

$L_5 : t_6 = i * 44$

$a[t_6] = 1.0$

$t_7 = i + 1$

$i = t_7$

goto  $c_3$

