

bI dymaniac language system

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Intro

Any program **must have** scripting ability for **configs** and **user extensions**. *bI* system provides universal script engine for *bI* language dialect and dynamic data types *C++* class tree for internal use in generated program. I was impressed by *SmallTalk* system ideology, *bI* system follows this way to gui-powered interactive system for translators design, symbolic computations and CAD/CAM/EDA environment.

Goals

- metaprogramming, computer language design and translator development
- symbolic and numeric computations
- clustering and cloud computing
- complex engineering systems design
- statical translation to *C++/Java* for multiplatform software development (☐*Windows/Linux/Android*)

Applications

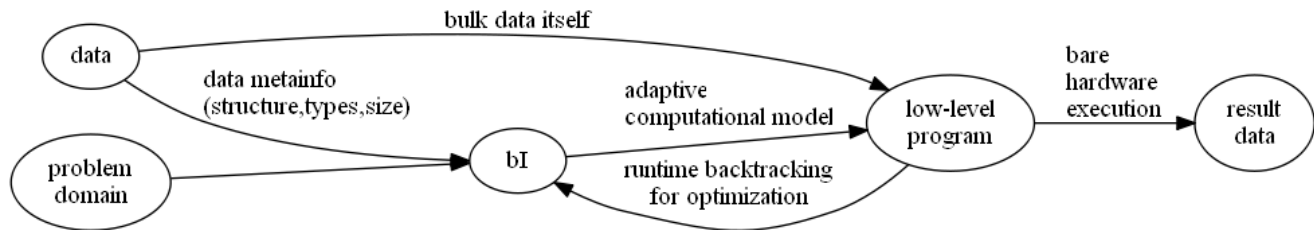
- universal language for configs and parser for computing programs input data presented in text format
- text data and program sources processing

- fast GUI programming for tiny helper programs
- universal template language:
 - files generation based on project templates
 - multiplatform high-level software development
 - config files generation and control in clustering systems

Be Warned

0.0.1 *bI* not intended for data crunching itself

bI not intended for data crunching itself — it's tool for hand-cranked compiling and program transformations. *bI* core supports <num:1.5.6> data type for floating point numbers, but **avoid use of *bI* core for numerical computation**. Right way to use *bI* — construct low-level program which will crunch your data using power of *bI* metaprogramming.



LLVM framework and JIT libraries looks very interesting for **dynamic compilation** — this magic can conjure some speedup of *bI* core¹ itself, and incredible performance of mutable runtime-generated machine code for data crunching.

¹ it's high-level part realized in *bI* language, and *bI/next* generation described via core metamodel

0.0.2 There is no memory management at all

Current version of *bI* core have no any memory management: there is no garbage collector, all created objects will be stay in memory until system crash on memory overflow.

This way was chosen for simplicity. It is sufficient for tiny batch runs and interactive work with "failure and restart from snapshot" hints, but this makes continues or large data crunching impossible.

0.0.3 You must have some skills in compiler design and functional programming

bI system is syntax analyzer and translator framework by design, and user must have some skills in compiler design and functional programming. You must read DragonBook [3], SICP [5] and Harrison/Field [6] before you dig in hedgehog den.

Installation

GitHub: <https://github.com/ponyatov/Y>
dev branch: <https://github.com/ponyatov/Y/tree/dev/>

```
git clone -o gh https://github.com/ponyatov/Y/tree/master/ bI_stable
cd bI_stable
```

bI system provided as source-only, and requires some development tools installed:

- host: `Windows`

git-scm git client <https://git-scm.com/downloads>

MinGW GNU compiler toolchain <http://www.mingw.org/download/installer?>

- **g++** C++ compiler
- **flex** lexer generator
- **bison** parser generator

[*(g)Vim*] text editor <ftp://ftp.vim.org/pub/vim/pc/gvim74.exe>

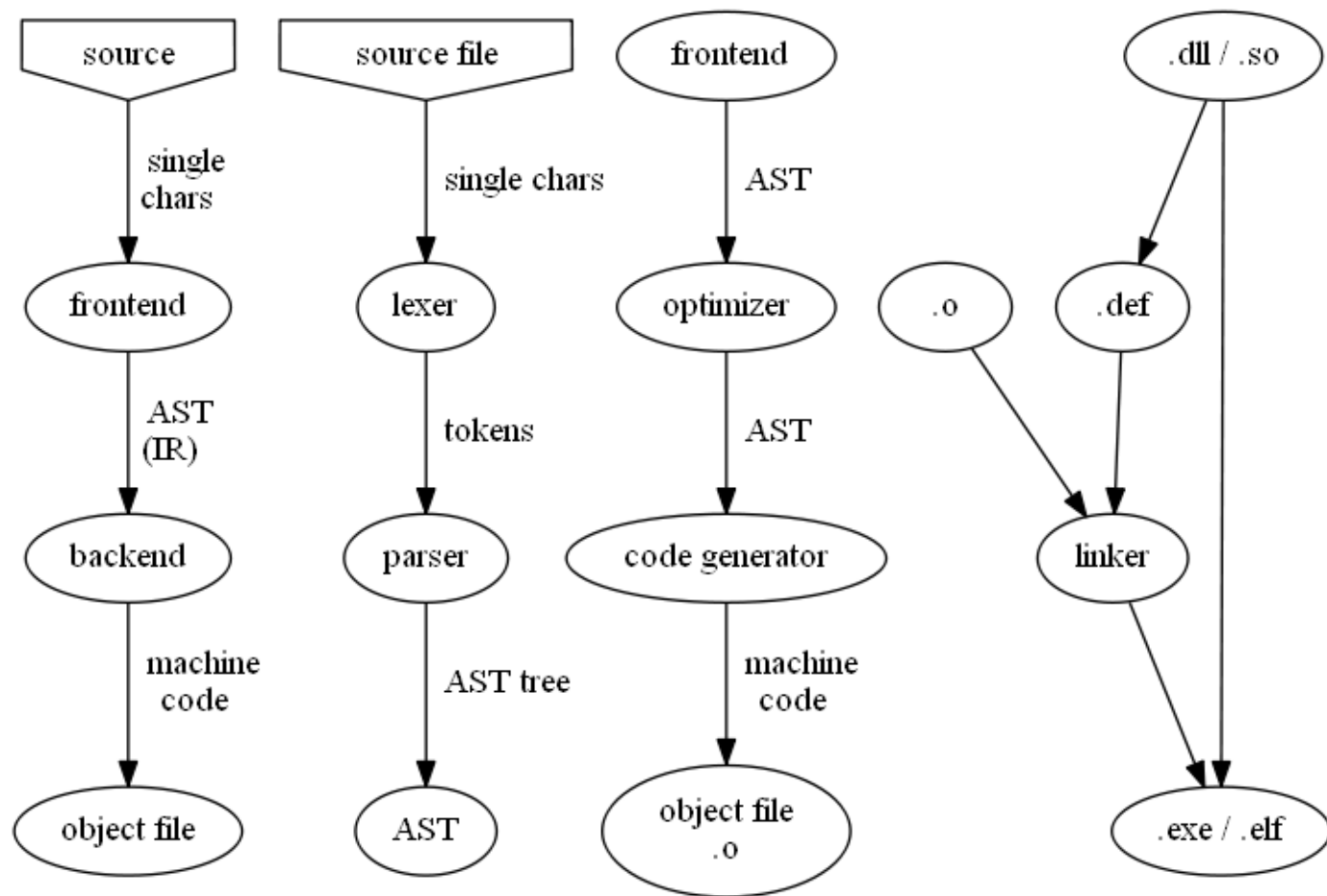
```
mingw32-make EXE=.exe RES=res.res
```

- host: *Linux*, powered with LLVM dynamic compilation

```
apt install git make g++ flex bison llvm-3.5
```

```
make EXE= RES= LLVER=3.5
```

Compiler structure



Chapter 1

Core system

1.1 Files

ypp.ypp	flex	parser 1.1.2
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hpp.hpp	C++	headers 1.1.3
cpp.cpp	C++	core 1.1.4
Makefile	make	build script 1.1.5
rc.rc	windres	win32 resource description
bat.bat	(g)Vim	win32 start helper
filetype.vim	(g)Vim	.bI .blog file type processing
syntax.vim	(g)Vim	syntax coloring
doc/	L ^A T _E X	
doc/Makefile		1.1.5
doc/bl.pdf		manual

1.1.1 Lexer

Lexer uses **flex** generator, produces **lex.yy.c**.

All defines moved to **hpp.hpp**, lexer header includes buffer for string parsing.

lpp.lpp

```
1 %{  
2 #include "hpp.hpp"  
3 std::string StringLexBuffer;    /* string parsing buffer /string lexer state/ */  
4  
5 void incFile(AST* inc) {        /* .include processing */  
6     yyin = fopen(inc->val.c_str(),"r");  
7     if (!yyin) yyerror(inc->tagval());  
8     yypush_buffer_state(yy_create_buffer(yyin, YY_BUF_SIZE));  
9 }  
10 %}
```

Options disables yywrap() function usage and enables line number autcount for error reporting.

lpp.lpp

```
1 %option noyywrap  
2 %option yylineno
```

Rules section described part by part in scalar types **1.5** and operators **??** manual sections.

lpp.lpp

```
1 %%  
2 ... %%  
3 ...
```

Unused chars will be dropped by this rules at end of lexer:

lpp.lpp

```
1 [ \t\r\n]+      {}          /* drop spaces */
2 .               {}          /* drop undetected chars */
```

Lexer C^{++} API includes this objects: `TOC()` macro used in lexer rules, creates

hpp.hpp

```
1                                     // == lexer interface ==
2 extern int yylex();                // parse next token
3 extern int yylineno;               // current source line
4 extern char* yytext;               // found token text
5 #define TOC(C,X) { yylval.o = new C(yytext); return X; } // token macro used in lexer
```

1.1.2 Parser

Core parser uses **bison** for **ypp.tab.cpp**, **ypp.tab.hpp**

Parser header looks like lexer header, all defines done in **hpp.hpp**.

ypp.ypp

```
1 %{
2 #include "hpp.hpp"
3 %}
```

hpp.hpp

```

1                                     // == parser interface ==
2 extern int yyparse();               // run parser
3 extern void yyerror(std::string);   // error callback

```

1.1.3 Headers

Header file contents wrapped by include-once preprocessor hint:

hpp.hpp

```

1 #ifndef _H_bl
2 #define _H_bl
3 #endif // _H_bl

```

Standard C^{++} includes used in core:

hpp.hpp

```

1                                     // == std.includes ==
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include <sstream>
4 #include <cstdlib>
5 #include <cstdio>
6 #include <cassert>
7 #include <vector>
8 #include <map>
9 #include <direct.h>           // win32
10 #include <sys/stat.h>        // linux

```

1.1.4 C++ core

C++ code described part by part over this manual in every symbolic type section.

cpp.cpp

```
1 #include "hpp.hpp"
```

Error callback function: it will be called from parser on error. YYERR macro used for doubling error message: to stdout redirected to .blog, and stderr goes to make output log¹.

cpp.cpp

```
1 #define YYERR " \n\n" << yylineno << " : " << msg << " [ " << yytext << " ] \n\n"
2 void yyerror(std::string msg) { std::cout << YYERR; std::cerr << YYERR; exit(-1); }
```

main() function: call global environment setup and parser:

cpp.cpp

```
1 int main() { env_init(); return yyparse(); }
```

1.1.5 Build script

Project builds with command [mingw32-]make [vars]. Vars can be:

EXE	.exe	executable file extension, empty if Linux/UNIX
RES	res.res	resource file name (win32 only)
TAIL	-n17 -n7	number of .blog lines will be printed on make exec build
LLVER	3.5	LLVM version if used

¹ and IDE report

MODULE variable sets name for current module. It was set to *bI*, but can use current dir name as module name.

Makefile

```
1 MODULE = bI
2 #MODULE = $(notdir $(CURDIR))
```

exec target build *bI* system core and runs high-level system build from **bl.bl** master source:

Makefile

```
1 .PHONY: exec
2 exec: ./$(MODULE)$(EXE) $(MODULE).bI
3      ./$(MODULE)$(EXE) < $(MODULE).bI > $(MODULE).blog && tail $(TAIL) $(MODULE).blog
```

make clean removes all temporary and produced files, makes all project clean:

Makefile

```
1 .PHONY: clean
2 clean:
3      rm -rf ./$(MODULE)$(EXE) *.*log ypp.tab.?pp lex.yy.c $(RES)
```

C\H contains files will be compiled by CXX *C++* compiler into interpreter executable:

Makefile

```
1 C = cpp.cpp ypp.tab.cpp lex.yy.c
2 H = hpp.hpp ypp.tab.hpp
```

C++ compiler run:

Makefile

```
1 CXXFLAGS += -I. -std=gnu++11
```

```
2 ./$(MODULE)$(EXE): $(C) $(H) $(RES)
3     $(CXX) $(CXXFLAGS) -o $@ $(C) $(RES)
```

bison parser generator run:

Makefile

```
1 ypp.tab.cpp: ypp.ypp
2     bison $<
```

flex lexer generator run:

Makefile

```
1 lex.yy.c: lpp.lpp
2     flex $<
```

win32 resource compiler run:

Makefile

```
1 res.res: rc.rc
2     windres $< -O coff -o $@
```

1.2 AST symbolic data type

bI language based on operations on AST **symbolic type**: [A]bstract [S]yntax [T]ree elements. AST much complicated comparing to *Lisp* cells/lists, but it was selected considering primary *bI* area: computer language processing, where annotated AST trees is basic data type.


```

12 std::map<std::string,AST*> par; // par{}ameters
13 void setpar(AST*); // add/set parameter
14 //
15 std::string dump(int depth=0); // recursive dump(+1)
16 virtual std::string tagval(); // <tag:val> header
17 std::string pad(int); // padding string
18 //
19 virtual AST* eval(); // compute/evaluate
20 // operators
21 virtual AST* eq(AST*); // A = B assignment
22 virtual AST* at(AST*); // A @ B apply
23 virtual AST* dot(AST*); // A . B index
24 virtual AST* neg(); // -A negate
25 virtual AST* add(AST*); // A + B \ arithmetic
26 virtual AST* sub(AST*); // A - B
27 virtual AST* mul(AST*); // A * B
28 virtual AST* div(AST*); // A / B
29 virtual AST* pow(AST*); // A ^ B /
30 };

```

Using **virtual base class** `AST{}` allows to use RTTI and process inherited class instances using pointers to base class, first of all it allows to use storage collections `vector<AST*>` and `map<std::string,AST*>` for any objects².

1.2.1 Writers

Writer — function writes argument to `bI log (.blog)`:

² instances of inherited classes

hpp.hpp

```
1 extern void W(AST*); // == writers ==
2 extern void W(std::string);
```

cpp.cpp

```
1 void W(AST*o) { std::cout << o->dump(); } // == writers ==
2 void W(std::string s) { std::cout << s; }
```

1.3 Global environment

hpp.hpp

```
1 extern std::map<std::string,AST*> env; // == global environment ==
2 extern void env_init(); // init env[] on startup
```

cpp.cpp

```
1 int main() { env_init(); return yyparse(); }
2 std::map<std::string,AST*> env;
3 void env_init() {
4     env["AUTHOR"] = new Str(AUTHOR); // author (c)
5     env["LICENSE"] = new Str(LICENSE); // license
6     env["GITHUB"] = new Str(GITHUB); // github home
7     env["AUTOGEN"] = new Str(AUTOGEN); // autogenerated code signature
8     env["LOGO"] = new Str(LOGO); // bl logo (w/o file extension)
9     env["LISPLOGO"] = new Str(LISPLOGO); // Lisp Warning logo
10    AST*E = env[val]; if (E) return E; // eval: lookup
```

```
1 AST* AST::eq(AST*o)      { env[o->val]=o;           // AST = AST
```

1.4 Comments

1.4.1 Line comment

bl.bl

```
1 # line comment
```

lpp.lpp

```
1 #[^\n]*      {}           /* line comment */
```

1.4.2 Block comment

Current version have undetected problems with block comments: on multiline block comments lexer hangs until file end, ignoring all source and causing strange syntax errors.

bl.bl

```
1 #| block comment  [| |#
```

lpp.lpp

```
1                                     /* lexer state: #| block comment |# */
2 %x lexcomment
3 #|                                     /* block comment */
   {BEGIN(lexcomment);}
```

```
4<lexcomment>\\#      {BEGIN( INITIAL );}  
5<lexcomment>\n      {}  
6<lexcomment>.        {}
```

1.5 Scalars

Scalar types

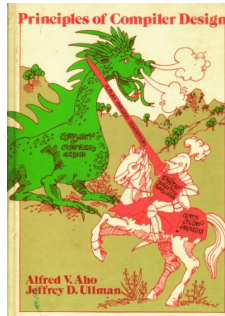
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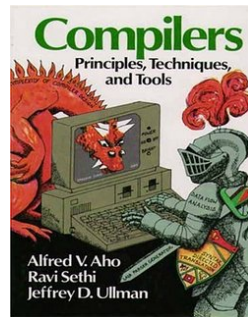


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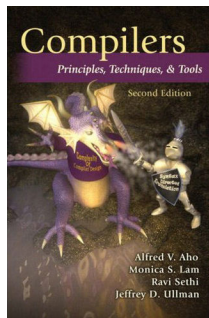
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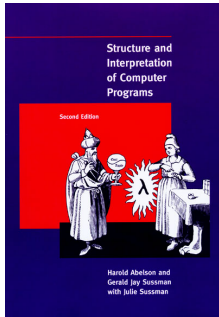
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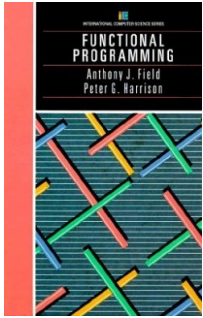
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