

# Compiler Design

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# Intermediate Code Generation

Benefits of using a machine-independent intermediate form are:

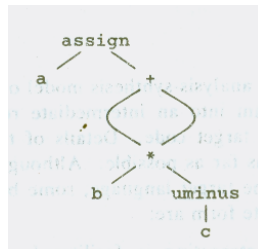
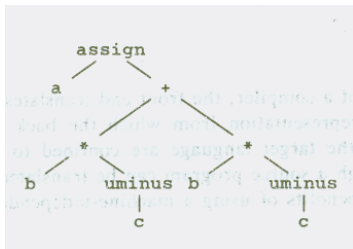
- ▶ Retargeting is facilitated;
- ▶ A machine independent code optimizer can be applied to the intermediate representation.

## Intermediate Representation

- ▶ Syntax trees
- ▶ DAG
- ▶ Three Address Code

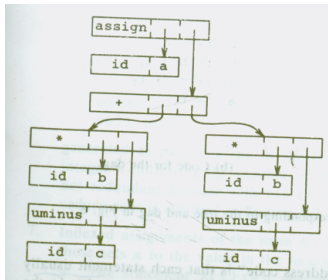
## Example: Syntax Tree and DAG

$$a = b * -c + b * -c$$



**Table:** SDD to produce Syntax Trees for assignment statements

Productions	Semantic Rules
$S \rightarrow id = E$	$S.nptr = \text{mknode}('assign', \text{mkleaf}(id, id.place), E.nptr)$
$E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2$	$E.nptr = \text{mknode}('+', E_1.nptr, E_2.nptr)$
$E \rightarrow E_1 * E_2$	$E.nptr = \text{mknode}('*', E_1.nptr, E_2.nptr)$
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0	id	b	
1	id	c	
2	uminus	1	
3	*	0	2
4	id	b	
5	id	c	
6	uminus	5	
7	*	4	6
8	+	3	7
9	id	a	
10	assign	9	8
11	...		

## Three Address Code

Three address code is a sequence of statements of the general form

$$x = y \text{ op } z$$

where  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  are names, constants or compiler-generated temporaries;  $op$  stands for operator.

The Source language expressions like  $x + y * z$  might be translated into the following sequences:

$$\begin{aligned} t_1 &= y * z \\ t_2 &= x + t_1 \end{aligned}$$

Three address code is a linearised representation of Syntax tree or DAG.

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Code for the Syntax Tree	Code for the DAG
$t_1 = -c$ $t_2 = b * t_1$ $t_3 = -c$ $t_4 = b * t_3$ $t_5 = t_2 + t_4$ $a = t_5$	$t_1 = -c$ $t_2 = b * t_1$ $t_5 = t_2 + t_2$ $a = t_5$



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- ▶ **Copy statements**

$$x = y$$

The value of *y* is assigned to *x*.

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100: **if  $a < b$  goto 103**

101:  $t = 0$

102: goto 104

103:  $t = 1$

104:

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## ► Statement for procedure calls

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## ▶ Address and Pointer Assignments

- ▶  $x = \&y$ ,  $x = *y$

# Syntax Directed Translation into Three Address Code

Production	Semantic Rules
$S \rightarrow id = E$	$S.code = E.code \parallel gen(id.place, '=', E.place)$
$E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2$	$E.place = newtemp$ $E.code = E_1.code \parallel E_2.code \parallel$ $gen(E.place, '=', E_1.place, '+', E_2.place)$
$E \rightarrow E_1 * E_2$	$E.place = newtemp$ $E.code = E_1.code \parallel E_2.code \parallel$ $gen(E.place, '=', E_1.place, '*', E_2.place)$
$E \rightarrow -E_1$	$E.place = newtemp$ $E.code = E_1.code \parallel gen(E.place, '=', uminus, E_1.place)$
$E \rightarrow (E_1)$	$E.place = E_1.place$ $E.code = E_1.code$
$E \rightarrow id$	$E.place = id.place$ $E.code = ''$

## Three address Code : Assignment Statement

Example:  $a = b * -c + b * -c$

Three Address Code:

$$t_1 = -c$$

$$t_2 = b * t_1$$

$$t_3 = -c$$

$$t_4 = b * t_3$$

$$t_5 = t_2 + t_4$$

$$a = t_5$$

## Implementations of Three-Address Statements

A Three address code is an abstract form of Intermediate code. This can be implemented in the form of records with fields for the **operator and the operands**. Three such representations are as follows:

- ▶ Quadruples
- ▶ Triples
- ▶ indirect Triples

## Quadruples

It is a record structure with four fields (*op*, *arg1*, *arg2*, *result*)

- ▶  $x = y \text{ op } z$   
representing by placing **y in arg1**, **z in arg2** and **x in result**.
- ▶  $x = -y$  or  $x = y$   
we do not use *arg2*.
- ▶ The fields *arg1* or *arg2* and *result* are pointers to the symbol table.

Quadruples for the assignment

$$a = b * -c + b * -c$$

	op	arg1	arg2	result
(0)	uminus	c		t1
(1)	*	b	t1	t2
(2)	uminus	c		t3
(3)	*	b	t3	t4
(4)	+	t2	t4	t5
(5)	=	t5		a



## Triples

It is a record structure with three fields (*op*, *arg1*, *arg2*)

- ▶ The fields *arg1* or *arg2* are either pointers to the symbol table entry or pointer into Triple structure.

	op	arg1	arg2
(0)	uminus	c	
(1)	*	b	(0)
(2)	uminus	c	
(3)	*	b	(2)
(4)	+	(1)	(3)
(5)	=	a	(4)

## Indirect Triples

Listing of Pointers to Triples is maintained by a separate structure.

	Statement
(0)	(14)
(1)	(15)
(2)	(16)
(3)	(17)
(4)	(18)
(5)	(19)

	op	arg1	arg2
(14)	uminus	c	
(15)	*	b	(14)
(16)	uminus	c	
(17)	*	b	(16)
(18)	+	(15)	(17)
(19)	=	a	(18)

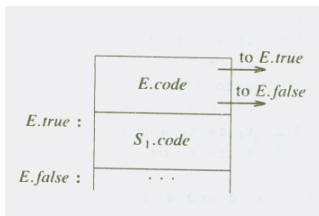
Semantic rules generating **three address code** for a **flow of control statements** statement:

$$\begin{aligned} S \rightarrow & \text{if } E \text{ then } S_1 \\ & | \text{if } E \text{ then } S_1 \text{ else } S_2 \\ & | \text{while } E \text{ do } S_1 \end{aligned}$$

we assume that a three address statement can be symbolically labelled and the function *newlabel* returns a new symbolic label each time called. We associate two labels:

- ▶ E.true : The label to which control flows if *E* is true.
- ▶ E.false: The label to which control flows if *E* is false.

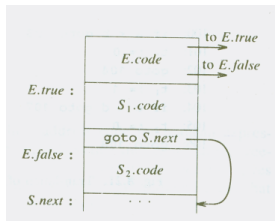
## SDD for Flow-of-Control : *if – then*



Production	Semantic Rules
$S \rightarrow \text{if } \mathbf{E} \text{ then } S_1$	$E_{\text{true}} = \text{newlabel};$ $E_{\text{false}} = S_{\text{next}};$ $S_{1.\text{next}} = S_{\text{next}};$ $S_{\text{code}} = \mathbf{E}_{\text{code}} \parallel \text{gen}(E_{\text{true}}, ' : ' ) \parallel S_{1.\text{code}}$

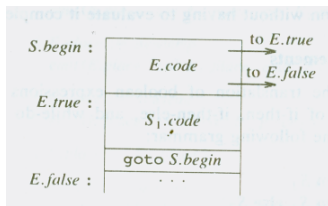
## SDD for Flow-of-Control : *if – then – else*

Production	Semantic Rules
$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S_1 \text{ else } S_2$	$E.true = \text{newlabel};$ $E.false = \text{newlabel};$ $S_1.next = S.next;$ $S_2.next = S.next$ $S.code = E.code \parallel$ $\quad \text{gen}(E.true, ':' ) \parallel S_1.code \parallel$ $\quad \text{gen}('goto', S.next) \parallel$ $\quad \text{gen}(E.false, ':' ) \parallel S_2.code$



## SDD for Flow-of-Control : *while* – *do*

Production	Semantic Rules
$S \rightarrow \text{while } E \text{ do } S_1$	$S.begin = \text{newlabel};$ $E.true = \text{newlabel}$ $E.false = S.next;$ $S_1.next = S.begin;$ $S.code = \text{gen}(S.begin, ':') \parallel E.code \parallel$ $\text{gen}(E.true, ':') \parallel S_1.code \parallel$ $\text{gen}(\text{'goto'}, S.begin)$



Semantic rules generating TAC for a **while** statement:

```
while a < b do
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**SDD for :** Boolean expression

Let us Consider the following Expression:

$$a < b \text{ or } c < d \text{ and } e < f$$

Suppose that **true** and **false** exists for the entire expression  
have been set to *Ltrue* and *Lfalse*

```
    if a < b goto Ltrue
    goto L1
L1:  if c < d goto L2
    goto Lfalse
L2:  if e < f goto Ltrue
    goto Lfalse
```

## SDD for : Boolean expression

Production	Semantic Rules
$E \rightarrow E_1 \text{ or } E_2$	$E_{1.true} = E.true;$ $E_{1.false} = \text{newlabel};$ $E_{2.true} = E.true;$ $E_{2.false} = E.false;$ $E.code = E_{1.code}    \text{gen}(E_{1.false}, ':')    E_{2.code}$
$E \rightarrow E_1 \text{ and } E_2$	$E_{1.true} = \text{newlabel};$ $E_{1.false} = E.false;$ $E_{2.true} = E.true;$ $E_{2.false} = E.false;$ $E.code = E_{1.code}    \text{gen}(E_{1.true}, ':')    E_{2.code}$
$E \rightarrow \text{not } E_1$	$E_{1.true} = E.false;$ $E_{1.false} = E.true$ $E.code = E_{1.code}$

## SDD for : Boolean expression

Table: default

Production	Semantic Rules
$E \rightarrow (E_1)$	$E_1.true = E.true;$ $E_1.false = E.false;$ $E.code = E_1.code;$
$E \rightarrow id_1 \text{ relop } id_2$	$E.code = \text{gen}('if', id_1.place, \text{relop}_{op}, id_2.place$ $\text{'goto'}, E_{true}) \parallel \text{gen}('goto', E_{false})$
$E \rightarrow true$	$E_{code} = \text{gen}('goto', E_{true})$
$E \rightarrow false$	$E_{code} = \text{gen}('goto', E_{false})$