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1. Introduction

This project is a mini compiler for Go Language. The intermediate code generation is being done with the help of LEX and YACC tools. The compiled LEX and YACC files takes the input from a ".go" file, parses it, generates a symbol table and finally gives out a ".txt" file containing the intermediate code.

This intermediate code is then passed to the code optimisation module which is coded in python.

The optimization is done by identifying the tokens and acting based on the matched regex.

We perform the following code optimization techniques in order and the output of the previous operation is passed on the next operation:

- 1. Strength Reduction
- 2. Constant Propagation
- 3. Constant Folding
- 4. Copy Propagation
- 5. Dead Code elimination

2. Architecture of Language

We have implemented the following constructs in our compiler:

- For loop
- Nested for loop.
- Switch Statements
- Nested Switch Statements

In addition to those we have also taken care of the following

- Variable assignment (including const)
- Multiple variable assignment in a single line
- Arithmetic operations
- Boolean expressions
- Error if const variable is redeclared.
- Error if number of values do not match the number of variables in multiple variable assignment.
- If any other error is there it will give the corresponding line number along with "syntax error" message

Syntax is handled by YACC where grammar rules are specified for the entire language.

3. LITERATURE SURVEY

We referred to the official GoLang documentation [1] for building our lexer and for the grammar.

They have provided the lexical elements and the rules for the grammar followed in GoLang.

4. CONTEXT FREE GRAMMAR

```
PackageClause ImportDeclarations TopLevelDeclarations
PackageClause:
   KEYWORD PACKAGE IDENTIFIER
    ImportDeclaration ImportDeclarations %prec NORMAL
    | empty %prec EMPTY
   KEYWORD IMPORT ImportSpecification
    | KEYWORD IMPORT '(' ImportSpecificationList ')'
    ImportSpecification ImportSpecificationList2
ImportSpecificationList2:
    ImportSpecification ImportSpecificationList2 %prec NORMAL
    | %empty %prec EMPTY
ImportSpecification:
   STRING LITERAL
    | IDENTIFIER STRING LITERAL
/* Top Level Declaration */
TopLevelDeclarations:
   TopLevelDeclaration TopLevelDeclarations %prec NORMAL
    | %empty %prec EMPTY
TopLevelDeclaration:
```

```
Declaration
    | KEYWORD_FUNC IDENTIFIER '(' ')' CodeBlock
Declaration:
   ConstDeclaration
   | TypeDeclaration
   | VariableDeclaration
ConstDeclaration:
   KEYWORD CONST ConstSpecification
    | KEYWORD CONST '(' ConstSpecifications ')'
ConstSpecifications:
   ConstSpecification
    | ConstSpecifications ConstSpecification
ConstSpecification:
    IdentifierList ConstIdList
ConstIdList:
    PreConstIdList '=' ExpressionList
PreConstIdList:
   Type %prec NORMAL
    | %empty %prec EMPTY
TypeDeclaration:
   KEYWORD TYPE TypeSpecifications
TypeSpecifications:
   TypeSpecification
   | '(' TypeSpecificationList ')'
```

```
TypeSpecificationList:
    TypeSpecification TypeSpecificationList %prec NORMAL
    | %empty %prec EMPTY
TypeSpecification:
   AliasDeclaration
    | TypeDefinition
AliasDeclaration:
    IDENTIFIER '=' Type
TypeDefinition:
    IDENTIFIER Type
VariableDeclaration:
    KEYWORD VAR VariableSpecification
    | KEYWORD VAR '(' VariableSpecifications ')'
VariableSpecifications:
    VariableSpecification
    | VariableSpecifications VariableSpecification
VariableSpecification:
    IdentifierList VariableIdList
VariableIdList:
    Type VariableIdListType
   | '=' ExpressionList
```

```
VariableIdListType:
    '=' ExpressionList %prec NORMAL
    | %empty %prec EMPTY
IdentifierList:
   IDENTIFIER
   | IDENTIFIER ',' IdentifierList
Type:
   TypeName
   | '(' Type ')'
TypeName:
   | QualifiedID
QualifiedID:
   IDENTIFIER '.' IDENTIFIER
ExpressionList:
   Expression
   | ExpressionList ',' Expression
Expression:
   Expression LOGICAL OR Expression
   | Expression LOGICAL_AND Expression
   | Expression RelationalOperation Expression %prec REL_EQUAL
   | Expression AddOperation Expression %prec '+'
    | Expression MultipyOperation Expression %prec '-'
    | UnaryExpression %prec P UNARY
```

```
RelationalOperation:
   REL_EQUAL
   | REL NEQUAL
   | REL_LEQ
   | REL_GEQ
AddOperation:
MultipyOperation:
   | LSHIFT
   | RSHIFT
   | AMPXOR
UnaryOperation:
AssignOperation:
   | OR_ASSIGN
```

```
| XOR_ASSIGN
   | LSHIFT_ASSIGN
    | RSHIFT_ASSIGN
UnaryExpression:
    CHANNEL ASSIGN UnaryExpression
    | UnaryOperation UnaryExpression %prec P UNARY
    | PrimaryExpression
PrimaryExpression:
    Operand
    | PrimaryExpression Index
Index:
    '[' Expression ']'
Operand:
   Literal
   | OperandName
   | '(' Expression ')'
   | P NIL
Literal:
    BasicLiteral
BasicLiteral:
```

```
OperandName:
   IDENTIFIER
   | P_FUNCTION
   | QualifiedID
CodeBlock:
Statements:
   Statements Statement %prec NORMAL
   | %empty %prec EMPTY
Statement:
   SimpleStatement
   | Declaration
   | ForStatement
    | SwitchStatement
SimpleStatement:
   Expression
   | Assignment
   | ShortDeclaration
IncrementDecrement:
   Expression INC ASSIGN
   | Expression DEC_ASSIGN
```

```
Assignment:
    IdentifierList '=' ExpressionList
    | Expression AssignOperation Expression
ShortDeclaration:
    IdentifierList SHORT_DECLARATION ExpressionList
ForStatement:
   KEYWORD FOR
    ForClauseParent
    CodeBlock
ForClauseParent:
   ForCondition %prec NORMAL
   | ForClause %prec NORMAL
   | RangeClause %prec NORMAL
    | empty %prec EMPTY
ForCondition:
    Expression
ForClause:
   ForClauseInit
    ForClauseCondition
    ForClauseUpdation
ForClauseInit:
    InitializeStatement %prec NORMAL
    | empty %prec EMPTY
```

```
ForClauseCondition:
    ForCondition
ForClauseUpdation:
    UpdationStatement %prec NORMAL
    | empty %prec EMPTY
InitializeStatement:
    SimpleStatement
UpdationStatement:
    SimpleStatement
RangeClause:
    PreForRange KEYWORD_RANGE Expression
PreForRange:
    ExpressionList '=' %prec NORMAL
    | IdentifierList SHORT DECLARATION %prec NORMAL
    | empty %prec EMPTY
SwitchStatement:
    ExprSwitchStmt
    | TypeSwitchStmt
ExprSwitchStmt:
    KEYWORD_SWITCH SimpleStatement '{' ExprCaseClauses '}'
ExprCaseClauses:
    ExprCaseClauses ExprCaseClause
    | ExprCaseClause
```

```
ExprCaseClause:
    ExprSwitchCase ':' Statements
ExprSwitchCase:
    KEYWORD CASE ExpressionList
TypeSwitchStmt:
    KEYWORD SWITCH TypeSwitchGuard '{' TypeCaseClauses '}'
TypeSwitchGuard:
   IDENTIFIER SHORT DECLARATION IDENTIFIER '.' '(' KEYWORD TYPE ')'
   | IDENTIFIER SHORT_DECLARATION Literal '.' '(' KEYWORD_TYPE ')'
TypeCaseClauses:
    TypeCaseClauses TypeCaseClause
    | TypeCaseClause
TypeCaseClause:
    TypeSwitchCase ':' Statements
TypeSwitchCase:
    KEYWORD CASE TypeList
TypeList:
    Type
    | Type ',' TypeList
empty: %empty;
```

5. DESIGN STRATEGY

SYMBOL TABLE CREATION

The Symbol Table in our compiler stores the name of the declared variable, its data type (inferred if not defined), its value (most updated value), the details about the scope in which the variable was declared.

We have implemented our symbol table with the help of hashing.

We hash the token name to a table by applying the hash function character wise to obtain the final position. Collision resolution is done by linear probing.

```
currValue=(currValue*128+inputToHash[i])%1000000000; // for each
char
currValue = currValue % SYMBOL_TABLE_MAX;
```

INTERMEDIATE CODE GENERATION

We have functions to create labels and temporary variables and have maintained global variables to keep track of the most recently created temp and label. For the constructs, switch and for, we have used a stack and queue structure respectively for the generation of intermediate code.

CODE OPTIMIZATION

For the ICG generated, we have implemented algebraic identity, strength reduction, constant propagation, constant folding, copy propagation and dead code elimination. We perform these optimizations in that order and the final output optimized code is printed.

ERROR HANDLING

We are handling syntax errors, which are generated during parsing. We are also handling re-declaration of variables in the relevant scope, and are showing the appropriate error messages. We have also handled imbalanced assignment errors, type mismatch errors, and reassignment of constant variables. We stop parsing the input on encountering these errors and display the line number of the errors, and a short description of the error.

6. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS

Symbol Table

```
struct symbolTableStructure {
  char name[31];
  char declaredVariableType[10];
  char type;
  char value[20];
  int scope_depth;
  int hcode;
  int scope_id;
};
stack iStack;
stack vStack;
stack scopeStack;
stack tStack;
```

Functions Implemented:

```
int firstHashFunction(char *inputToHash)
int hashTableIndexReturn(char *inputToHash)

void appendHashTable(char type, char *inputToHash, char
*declaredVariableType, char *value, int scope_depth, int scope_id)

char *findFromHashTable(char *inputToHash)
```

```
void updateHashTable(char *inputToHash, char *declaredVariableType,
    char *value)

void PresentIdentifierAssignment(Node *LeftHandSide, Node
    *RightHandSide)

void IdentifierAssignment(char declaredType, Node *LeftHandSide, Node
    *RightHandSide)

int getNextScope(int scope_depth)

int getPreviousScope(int scope_depth)

int scopeOfParentCheck(char *inputToHash)

void displaySymbolTable()
```

Intermediate Code Generation

```
char resString[32];
char tempArray[20] = "";
int tempVariableCount = 0;
int labelCount = 0;
char tempVariableStore[32];
char labelStore[32];
FILE* intermediateCodeFile;
queue forLoopQueue
stack switchConditionStack
```

Functions Implemented

```
char *popFromStack(stack *stackPointer)

void pushToStack(stack *stackPointer, char *stackItem)

int isStackEmpty(stack st)
```

```
void insertToQueue(queue *stackPointer, char *stackItem)
char *removeFromQueue(queue *stackPointer)

void createTempVariable()

void createLabel()
```

Code Optimization

re - for regex matching in python

Functions Implemented

```
def algID(tokens):
    def constantFP(list_of_lines):
    def constantFolding(list_of_lines, comp=[]):
    def constantProp(list_of_lines,comp=[]):
    def strengthRed(list_of_lines, comp=[]):
    def copyProp(list_of_lines, comp=[]):
    def variableAssgnCheck(list_of_lines, token, line_no):
    def deadCodeRemove(list_of_lines):
```

7. RESULTS AND POSSIBLE SHORTCOMINGS OF YOUR MINI-COMPILER

We were able to successfully build the Mini Compiler for GoLang for the constructs: for and switch. Our grammar covers all different possibilities and cases we have also handled multiple different types of possible errors that could occur. We generate the ICG and have performed various code optimizations to generate the final code.

The shortcomings of our mini-compiler include:

- not recording temp variables used for intermediate code in the symbol table

- not taking care of function identification / function calls
- not converting function calls like print to intermediate code

8. SNAPSHOTS

For Loop and Switch

```
hgjkm
gvjhbkjl
ghkbjnlkm
jhbkjnl*/
package main
import "fmt"
func main()
        const 1,m,pqr,lsts,asd= 1,3,4,3,1
            abad:=10
            par:="Par"
```

```
fmt.Println("one")
   fmt.Println("two")
switch t := ooo.(type) {
   fmt.Println("I'm a bool")
```

Symbol Table:

Symbol-Tabl	.e				
Type	Data Type	Name	Value	Scope	
Const	int	asd	1 1 1	2	
Var	int	i	1 1	1	
Var	int	j	1 1	2	
Const	int	i	3	2	
Const	int	m	4	2	
Var	string	Z	"lex"	2	
Var	string	par	"Par"	3	
Const	int	lsts	1	2	
Const	int	pqr	3	2	
Var	int	abad	10	3	

Intermediate Code Generation

```
package main
import "fmt"
func main() {
    maya:="Aravind"
    maya="Hello"
    var a,b, pqr int = 1,10, 1
    b=30*2/92+10
    b=20
    aravind:=100
    aravind=20
    for pqr=1;pqr<10;pqr++
       pqr=3+1
    i:=2
    cas:="Cas0"
    switch i
    case 1:
       cas="Cas1"
       cas="Cas2"
    case 3:
        cas="Cas3"
       cas="Cas4"
       cas="Cas5"
    case 6:
       cas="Cas6"
```

Intermediate Code

```
maya = "Aravind"
maya = "Hello"
a = 1
b = 10
pqr = 1
t0 = 2 / 92
_{t1} = 30 * _{t0}
_{t2} = _{t1} + 10
b = _t2
b = 20
aravind = 100
aravind = 20
pqr = 1
L0:
t3 = pqr < 10
IFFALSE t3 GOTO L1
GOTO L2
L3:
_{t4} = pqr + 1
pqr = _t4
GOTO LO
L2:
t5 = 4 + 1
a = _t5
t6 = 3 + 1
pqr = t6
GOTO L3
L1:
i = 2
cas = "Cas0"
t7 = i != 1
IFFALSE _t7 GOTO L4
cas = "Cas1"
L4:
t8 = i != 2
IFFALSE _t8 GOTO L5
cas = "Cas2"
L5:
```

```
IFFALSE _t9 GOTO L6
cas = "Cas3"
L6:
    _t10 = i != 4
IFFALSE _t10 GOTO L7
cas = "Cas4"
L7:
    _t11 = i != 5
IFFALSE _t11 GOTO L8
cas = "Cas5"
L8:
    _t12 = i != 6
IFFALSE _t12 GOTO L9
cas = "Cas6"
L9:
```

Output of Code Optimization

```
('----', 'ICG', '-----')
maya = "Aravind"
maya = "Hello"
a = 1
b = 10
pqr = 1
_t0 = 2 / 92
_t1 = 30 * _t0
_{t2} = _{t1} + 10
b = t2
b = 20
aravind = 100
aravind = 20
pqr = 1
L0:
_{t3} = pqr < 10
IFFALSE _t3 GOTO L1
GOTO L2
L3:
_{t4} = pqr + 1
pqr = _t4
GOTO L0
L2:
_{t5} = 4 + 1
```

```
a = _t5
_{t6} = 3 + 1
pqr = _t6
GOTO L3
L1:
i = 2
cas = "Cas0"
_t7 = i != 1
IFFALSE _t7 GOTO L4
cas = "Cas1"
L4:
t8 = i != 2
IFFALSE _t8 GOTO L5
cas = "Cas2"
L5:
t9 = i != 3
IFFALSE _t9 GOTO L6
cas = "Cas3"
L6:
_t10 = i != 4
IFFALSE _t10 GOTO L7
cas = "Cas4"
L7:
t11 = i != 5
IFFALSE _t11 GOTO L8
cas = "Cas5"
L8:
_t12 = i != 6
IFFALSE _t12 GOTO L9
cas = "Cas6"
L9:
('-----', 'Strength Reduction Done', '-----')
maya = "Aravind"
maya = "Hello"
a = 1
b = 10
pqr = 1
_t0 = 2 / 92
_t1 = 30 * _t0
_t2 = _t1 + 10
b = t2
b = 20
aravind = 100
aravind = 20
pqr = 1
L0:
```

```
t3 = pqr < 10
IFFALSE _t3 GOTO L1
GOTO L2
L3:
_{t4} = pqr + 1
pqr = t4
GOTO L0
L2:
_t5 = 4 + 1
a = _t5
_{t6} = 3 + 1
pqr = _t6
GOTO L3
L1:
i = 2
cas = "Cas0"
t7 = i != 1
IFFALSE _t7 GOTO L4
cas = "Cas1"
L4:
_t8 = i != 2
IFFALSE _t8 GOTO L5
cas = "Cas2"
L5:
_t9 = i != 3
IFFALSE t9 GOTO L6
cas = "Cas3"
L6:
_t10 = i != 4
IFFALSE _t10 GOTO L7
cas = "Cas4"
L7:
_t11 = i != 5
IFFALSE _t11 GOTO L8
cas = "Cas5"
L8:
_t12 = i != 6
IFFALSE _t12 GOTO L9
cas = "Cas6"
L9:
('----', 'Constant Propagation and Constant Folding Done', '----')
maya = "Aravind"
maya = "Hello"
a = 1
b = 10
pqr = 1
```

```
_t0 = 0
_t1 = 0
_t2 = 10
b = 10
b = 20
aravind = 100
aravind = 20
pqr = 1
L0:
_t3 = True
IFFALSE _t3 GOTO L1
GOTO L2
L3:
_{t4} = 2
pqr = 2
GOTO L0
L2:
_t5 = 5
a = 5
_t6 = 4
pqr = 4
GOTO L3
L1:
i = 2
cas = "Cas0"
t7 = True
IFFALSE _t7 GOTO L4
cas = "Cas1"
L4:
_t8 = False
IFFALSE _t8 GOTO L5
cas = "Cas2"
L5:
t9 = True
IFFALSE _t9 GOTO L6
cas = "Cas3"
L6:
_t10 = True
IFFALSE _t10 GOTO L7
cas = "Cas4"
L7:
_t11 = True
IFFALSE _t11 GOTO L8
cas = "Cas5"
L8:
t12 = True
IFFALSE _t12 GOTO L9
```

```
cas = "Cas6"
L9:
('-----', 'Copy Propagation Done', '-----')
maya = "Aravind"
maya = "Hello"
a = 1
b = 10
pqr = 1
_t0 = 0
_t1 = 0
_t2 = 10
b = 10
b = 20
aravind = 100
aravind = 20
pqr = 1
L0:
t3 = True
IFFALSE True GOTO L1
GOTO L2
L3:
_t4 = 2
pqr = 2
GOTO L0
L2:
_t5 = 5
a = 5
_t6 = 4
pqr = 4
GOTO L3
L1:
i = 2
cas = "Cas0"
t7 = True
IFFALSE True GOTO L4
cas = "Cas1"
L4:
t8 = False
IFFALSE False GOTO L5
cas = "Cas2"
L5:
t9 = True
IFFALSE True GOTO L6
cas = "Cas3"
L6:
_t10 = True
```

```
IFFALSE True GOTO L7
cas = "Cas4"
L7:
t11 = True
IFFALSE True GOTO L8
cas = "Cas5"
L8:
t12 = True
IFFALSE True GOTO L9
cas = "Cas6"
L9:
('-----', 'Dead Code Elimination Done', '-----')
L0:
IFFALSE True GOTO L1
GOTO L2
L3:
GOTO L0
L2:
GOTO L3
L1:
IFFALSE True GOTO L4
IFFALSE False GOTO L5
L5:
IFFALSE True GOTO L6
IFFALSE True GOTO L7
L7:
IFFALSE True GOTO L8
IFFALSE True GOTO L9
L9:
```

9. Conclusions

Throughout the duration of building the mini compiler, we have understood the basics of designing a compiler in LEX & YACC and creating a symbol table and output intermediate code in target language. We have also familiarized ourselves with the regex which helped us in coding the rules in LEX and identifying tokens/expressions for Code optimisation. There was also a good amount of exposure to use of CFG in real world applications.

10. Future Enhancements

This compiler could be extended to account for all the constructs supported by Go Lang such as if, if-else, while, user-defined functions etc.

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