plangCompiler

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Functional to LLVM

TO SUPERFAST BINARIES

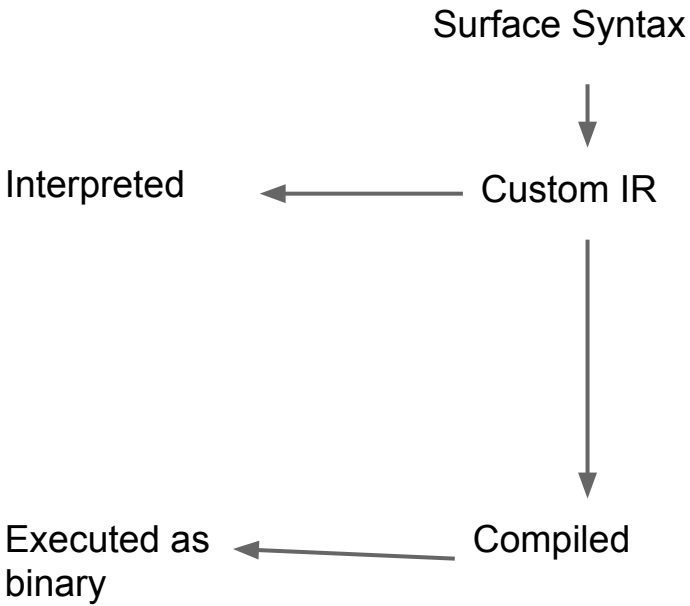
with

Standard ML New Jersey

What is LLVM?

- Tools developed at University of Illinois in 2000
- Term used to describe a number of projects related to compiling and low level code
- Open source
- Used a lot!
  - Apple

Before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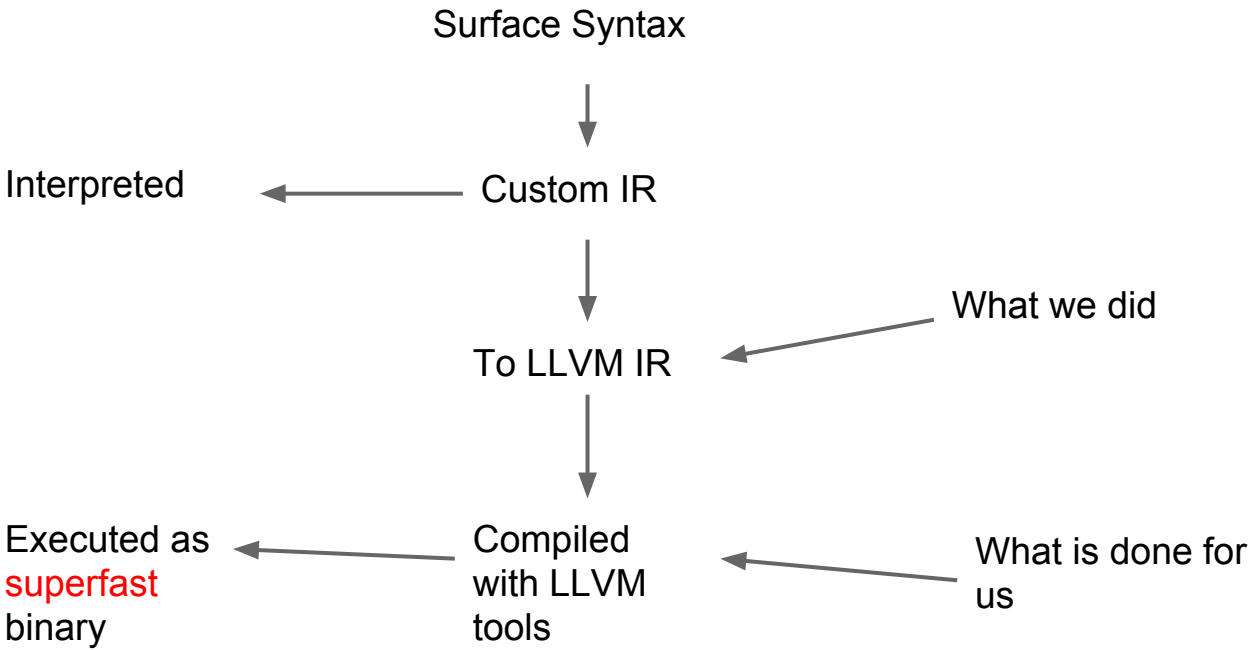
After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What we did
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What is done for
us

```c
#include <stdio.h>

void main(){
    int x = 1;
    x = x + 1;
    printf("%d\n", x + 1);
}
```

```
; ModuleID = 'test.c'
target datalayout = "e-p:32:32:32-i1:8:8-i8:8:8-i16:16:16-i32:32:32-i64:64:64-
    f32:32:32-f64:64:64-f80:128:128-v64:64:64-v128:128:128-a0:0:64-f80:32:32-
    n8:16:32-S32"
target triple = "i686-pc-mingw32"

@.str = private unnamed_addr constant [4 x i8] c"%d\0A\00", align 1

; Function Attrs: nounwind
define void @main() #0 {
entry:
  %x = alloca i32, align 4
  store i32 1, i32* %x, align 4
  %0 = load i32* %x, align 4
  %add = add nsw i32 %0, 1
  store i32 %add, i32* %x, align 4
  %1 = load i32* %x, align 4
  %add1 = add nsw i32 %1, 1
  %call = call i32 (i8*, ...)* @printf(i8* getelementptr inbounds ([4 x i8]* @.
      str, i32 0, i32 0), i32 %add1) #1
  ret void
}

; Function Attrs: nounwind
declare i32 @printf(i8*, ...) #0

attributes #0 = { nounwind "less-precise-fpmad"="false" "no-frame-pointer-elim"
    ="true" "no-frame-pointer-elim-non-leaf" "no-infs-fp-math"="false" "no-nans
    -fp-math"="false" "stack-protector-buffer-size"="8" "unsafe-fp-math"="false
    " "use-soft-float"="false" }
attributes #1 = { nounwind }

!llvm.ident = !{!0}
```

```
    .def     @feat.00;
    .scl    3;
    .type   0;
    .endef
    .globl  @feat.00
@feat.00 = 1
    .def     _main;
    .scl    2;
    .type   32;
    .endef
    .text
    .globl  _main
    .align  16, 0x90
```

```
_main:
# BB#0:
    subl    $12, %esp
    movl    $1, 8(%esp)
    movl    $2, 8(%esp)
    movl    $3, 4(%esp)
    movl    $L_.str, (%esp)
    calll   _printf
    addl    $12, %esp
    ret

    .section    .rdata,"r"
L_.str:
    .asciz   "%d\n"
```

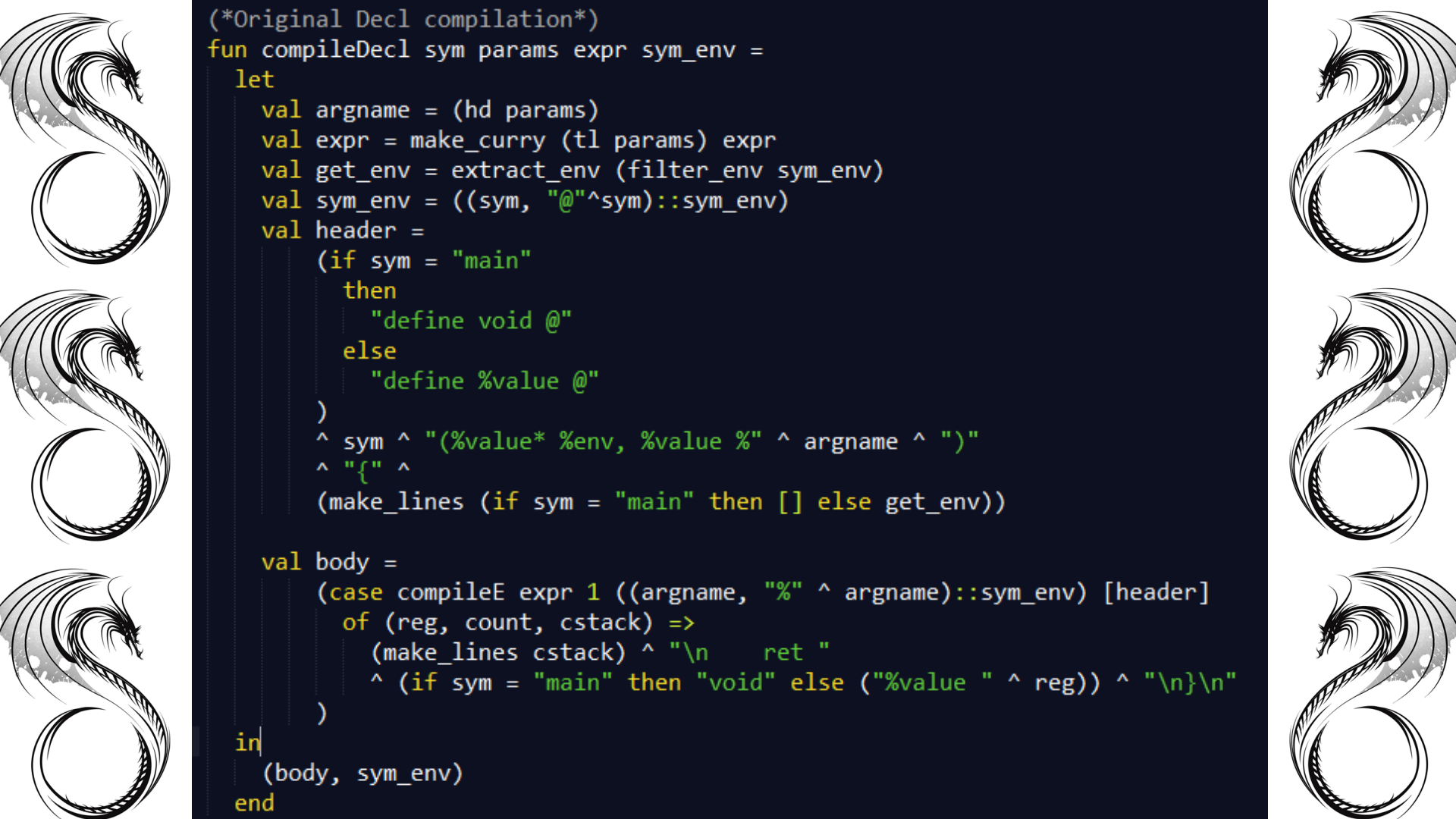
Now on to what we are doing

- Compiling to LLVM
- Dynamic typing
- First class functions

Grammar

3 main pieces to our language to compile

- Declarations,
  - def x = x+1
- Expressions
  - x+1
- Values
  - 1



```
(*Original Decl compilation*)
fun compileDecl sym params expr sym_env =
  let
    val argname = (hd params)
    val expr = make_curry (tl params) expr
    val get_env = extract_env (filter_env sym_env)
    val sym_env = ((sym, "@"^sym)::sym_env)
    val header =
        (if sym = "main"
          then
            "define void @"
          else
            "define %value @"
        )
        ^ sym ^ "(%value* %env, %value %" ^ argname ^ ")"
        ^ "{" ^
        (make_lines (if sym = "main" then [] else get_env))

    val body =
        (case compileE expr 1 ((argname, "%" ^ argname)::sym_env) [header]
          of (reg, count, cstack) =>
            (make_lines cstack) ^ "\n    ret "
            ^ (if sym = "main" then "void" else ("%value " ^ reg)) ^ "\n}\n"
        )
  in
    (body, sym_env)
  end
```

```
(*Compile Expression body*)
and compileE (I.EVal v) count sym_env cstack                                = compileV v count cstack
  | compileE (I.EIdent str) count sym_env cstack                            = ((lookup str sym_env), count, cstack)
  | compileE (I.EApp (I.EApp (I.EIdent "+", e1), e2)) count sym_env cstack = compileE_oper e1 e2 "add" count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EApp (I.EApp (I.EIdent "-", e1), e2)) count sym_env cstack = compileE_oper e1 e2 "sub" count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EApp (I.EApp (I.EIdent "*", e1), e2)) count sym_env cstack = compileE_oper e1 e2 "mul" count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EApp (I.EApp (I.EIdent "=", e1), e2)) count sym_env cstack = compileE_oper e1 e2 "eq"  count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EApp (I.EApp (I.EIdent ">", e1), e2)) count sym_env cstack = compileE_oper e1 e2 "sgt" count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EApp (I.EApp (I.EIdent "<", e1), e2)) count sym_env cstack = compileE_oper e1 e2 "slt" count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EApp ((I.EIdent str), e)) count sym_env cstack              = compileE_call str e count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EApp(e1, e2)) count sym_env cstack                          = compileE_callfunc e1 e2 count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EIf (e1, e2, e3)) count sym_env cstack                      = compileE_if e1 e2 e3 count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.ELet (sym, e1, e2)) count sym_env cstack                    = compileE_let sym e1 e2 count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.ELetFun (func, arg, e1, e2)) count sym_env cstack           = compileE_letfun func arg e1 e2 count sym_env cstack
  | compileE (I.EFun (arg, e1)) count sym_env cstack                        = compileE_fun arg e1 count sym_env cstack
  | compileE expr count sym_env cstack                                      = compileError ("Not implemented:\n" ^ (I.stringOfExpr expr))

(*Compile Value to create i32*)
and compileV (I.VInt i) count cstack =
      let
        val str = "    " ^ count_reg count ^ " = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 " ^ itos i ^ ")"
      in
        (count_reg count, count+1, cstack@[str])
      end
  | compileV _ _ _= compileError "Only ints supported"
```

Dynamic Typing

```
%value = type {i8, i32*}
```

- Type
- Pointer to value
  - Think of second arg as void*

Boilerplate

Basic math operations

```
define %value @add(%value %a, %value %b) alwaysinline {
    %a_ptr = extractvalue %value %a, 1
    %a_val = load i32* %a_ptr
    %b_ptr = extractvalue %value %b, 1
    %b_val = load i32* %b_ptr
    %c = add i32 %a_val, %b_val
    %c_wrap = call %value @wrap_i32( i32 %c )
    ret %value %c_wrap
}
```

@wrap_i32

```
%value = type {i8, i32*}
```

```
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70 define %value @wrap_i32(i32 %a) {
71     %a_ptr = call i32* @malloc_i32()
72     store i32 %a, i32* %a_ptr
73     %a_tempstruct = insertvalue %value undef, i32* %a_ptr, 1
74     %a_wrap = insertvalue %value %a_tempstruct, i8 1, 0
75     ret %value %a_wrap
76 }
77 
```

@wrap_func

```
%func_t = type {%value (%value*, %value) *, %value *}
```

```
define %value @wrap_func(%value (%value*, %value) * %a, %value* %env) {
    %func_type_i8 = call noalias i8* @malloc(i64 16)
    %func_type_ptr = bitcast i8* %func_type_i8 to %func_t*
    %temp_func = insertvalue %func_t undef, %value (%value*, %value) * %a, 0
    %stack_func_t = insertvalue %func_t %temp_func, %value* %env, 1

    store %func_t %stack_func_t, %func_t* %func_type_ptr


    %a_ptr = bitcast %func_t* %func_type_ptr to i32 *
    %a_tempstruct = insertvalue %value undef, i32* %a_ptr, 1
    %a_wrap = insertvalue %value %a_tempstruct, i8 2, 0 ;The function type
    ret %value %a_wrap
}
```

Sample input and output

```
def fib x = if (x < 2) then 1 else (fib (x-1)) + (fib (x-2))
def main y = print(fib(10))
```

```
define void @main(%value* %env, %value %y){
    %1 = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 10)
    %2 =  call %value @fib (%value* null, %value %1)
    %3 =  call %value @print (%value* null, %value %2)
    ret void
}
```

```
def fib x = if (x < 2) then 1 else (fib (x-1)) + (fib (x-2))
def main y = print(fib(10))
```

```
define %value @fib(%value* %env, %value %x){
    %1 = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 2)
    %2 = call %value @slt(%value %x, %value %1)
    %to_i8_1 = call i1 @extract_i1( %value %2)
    br i1 %to_i8_1, label %then1, label %else1
then1:
    %3 = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 1)
    br label %ifcont1
else1:
    %4 = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 1)
    %5 = call %value @sub(%value %x, %value %4)
    %6 =  call %value @fib (%value* null, %value %5)
    %7 = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 2)
    %8 = call %value @sub(%value %x, %value %7)
    %9 =  call %value @fib (%value* null, %value %8)
    %10 = call %value @add(%value %6, %value %9)
    br label %ifcont1
ifcont1:
    %11 =  phi %value [%3, %then1], [%10, %else1]
    ret %value %11
}
```

Challenge: Closures

- Higher order functions, without host language support
- Jump out of functions to make new functions
- Environment
  - Keep track of it in SML
  - compiler has no notion of it

Currying

```
def test x y z = (x + y) * z
def main x = print(test 1 2 3)
```

```
(*Converts output expression to curried functions*)
and make_curry [] expr = expr
  | make_curry (x::xs) expr = (I.EFun (x, (make_curry xs expr)))

end
```

Currying

```
def test x y z = (x + y) * z
def main x = print(test 1 2 3)
```

```
39 define void @main(%value* %env, %value %x){
40     %1 = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 1)
41     %2 =  call %value @test (%value* null, %value %1)
42     %3 = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 2)
43     %func_ptr_4 = call %value(%value*, %value)*(%value)* @extract_func(%value %2)
44     %func_env_4 = call %value* @extract_env(%value %2)
45     %4 =  call %value %func_ptr_4(%value * %func_env_4, %value %3)
46     %5 = call %value @wrap_i32(i32 3)
47     %func_ptr_6 = call %value(%value*, %value)*(%value)* @extract_func(%value %4)
48     %func_env_6 = call %value* @extract_env(%value %4)
49     %6 =  call %value %func_ptr_6(%value * %func_env_6, %value %5)
50     %7 =  call %value @print (%value* null, %value %6)
51     ret void
52 }
```

Currying: Test

```
def test x y z = (x + y) * z
def main x = print(test 1 2 3)
```

```
define %value @test(%value* %env, %value %x){
    %ar_1_0 = insertvalue [ 1 x %value] undef, %value %x, 0
    %localenv_1 = call %value* @malloc_env(i64 1)
    %localenv_1_array = bitcast %value* %localenv_1 to [ 1 x %value]*
    store [ 1 x %value] %ar_1_0, [ 1 x %value]* %localenv_1_array
    %localenv_1_ptr = bitcast [ 1 x %value]* %localenv_1_array to %value*
    %1 = call %value @wrap_func(%value(%value*, %value)* @func_1_3, %value* %localenv_1_ptr)
    ret %value %1
}
```

Currying anonymous functions

```
def test x y z = (x + y) * z
def main x = print(test 1 2 3)
```

```
define %value @func_1_5(%value* %env, %value %z){
    %localenv_extract_array = bitcast %value* %env to [2x %value]*
    %localenv_extract = load [2x %value]* %localenv_extract_array
    %y = extractvalue [2x %value] %localenv_extract, 1
    %x = extractvalue [2x %value] %localenv_extract, 0
    %1 = call %value @add(%value %x, %value %y)
    %2 = call %value @mul(%value %1, %value %z)
    ret %value %2
}

define %value @func_1_3(%value* %env, %value %y){
    %localenv_extract_array = bitcast %value* %env to [1x %value]*
    %localenv_extract = load [1x %value]* %localenv_extract_array
    %x = extractvalue [1x %value] %localenv_extract, 0
    %ar_1_0 = insertvalue [ 2 x %value] undef, %value %x, 0
    %ar_1_1 = insertvalue [ 2 x %value] %ar_1_0, %value %y, 1
    %localenv_1 = call %value* @malloc_env(i64 2)
    %localenv_1_array = bitcast %value* %localenv_1 to [ 2 x %value]*
    store [ 2 x %value] %ar_1_1, [ 2 x %value]* %localenv_1_array
    %localenv_1_ptr = bitcast [ 2 x %value]* %localenv_1_array to %value*
    %1 = call %value @wrap_func(%value(%value*, %value)* @func_1_5, %value* %localenv_1_ptr)
    ret %value %1
}
```

Challenge: Memory (Malloc all the things)

Leaking

How do we keep track of allocated %value?

Slow

Mallocing small bits of memory is SLOW

Solutions:

- Free up all of them at the end of function calls, or just stack allocate everything.
  - How would closures work then?
- LLVM has basic support for garbage collection
- Use a more complicated structure to hold what needs to be freed (sml)
- Stack allocate more
- Reuse memory

Questions / Comments?