LLVM Pass and Code Instrumentation

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Motivating Example

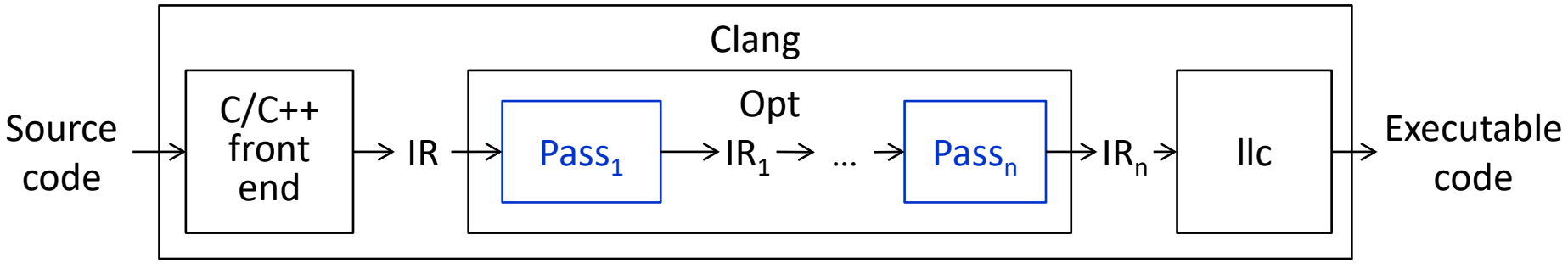
- (30 pts) Find bugs in the following program that has multiple bugs
  - Write down buggy lines, bugs, and explain the bugs as many as possible
  - Write down a code instrumentor using Clang which inserts assert() to report runtime failures due to the bugs you detected.
- For example, to report a div-by-zero crash, your code should insert assert(z!=0) immediately before x=y/z;

```
//example1.c
#include <malloc.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
void f() {
  char* mem = NULL;
  int length;
  char buf[100];
  // file descriptor 0 is connected to keyboard
  read(0, &length, sizeof(int));
  int r=read(0, &buf,length>100 ?
        100:length);
  mem = malloc(r + 1);
  buf[r] = 0;
  strcpy(mem, buf);
  printf(mem);
  fflush(stdout);
}
```

Which tool do you prefer for the task? Clang? LLVM IR?

Pass in LLVM

- A Pass receives an LLVM IR and performs analyses and/or transformations.
  - Using `opt`, it is possible to run each Pass.
- A Pass can be executed in a middle of compiling process from source code to binary code.
  - The pipeline of Passes is arranged by Pass Manager



LLVM Pass Framework

- The LLVM Pass Framework is the library to manipulate an AST of LLVM IR (http://llvm.org/doxygen/index.html)
- An LLVM Pass is an implementation of a subclass of the Pass class
  - Each Pass is defined as visitor on a certain type of LLVM AST nodes
  - There are six subclasses of Pass
    - ModulePass: visit each module (file)
    - CallGraphSCCPass: visit each set of functions with caller-call relations in a module (useful to draw a call graph)
    - FunctionPass: visit each function in a module
    - LoopPass: visit each set of basic blocks of a loop in each function
    - RegionPass: visit the basic blocks not in any loop in each function
    - BasicBlockPass: visit each basic block in each function

Control Flow Graph (CFG) at LLVM IR

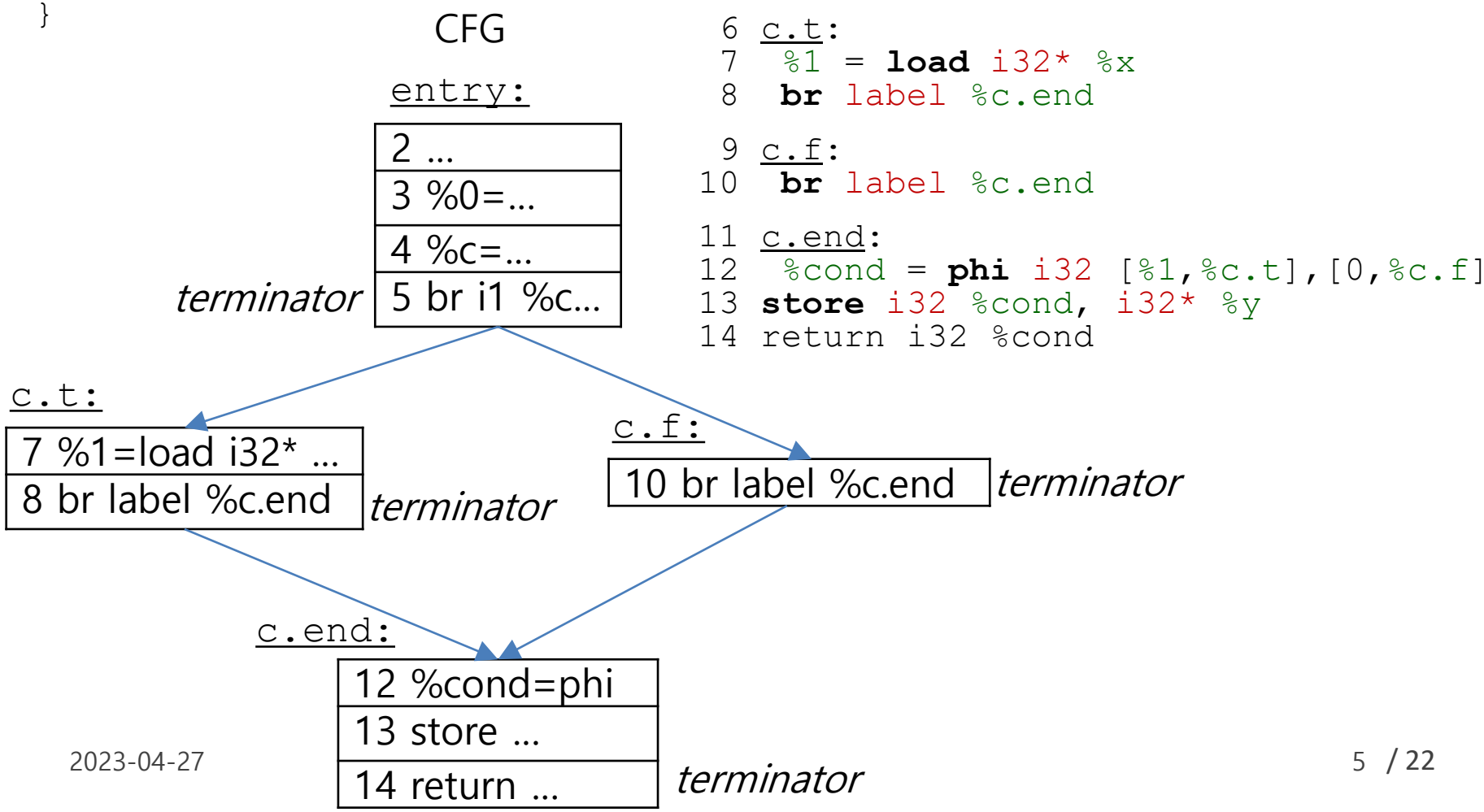
```
int f() {
  int y;
  y = (x > 0) ? x : 0 ;
  return y;
}
```

```
1  entry:
2  …
3  %0 = load i32* %x
4  %c = icmp sgt i32 %0 0
5  br i1 %c, label %c.t, %c.f

6  c.t:
7   %1 = load i32* %x
8   br label %c.end

9  c.f:
10  br label %c.end

11 c.end:
12  %cond = phi i32 [%1,%c.t],[0,%c.f]
13 store i32 %cond, i32* %y
14 return i32 %cond
```



Example Pass

- Let's create *IntWrite* that aim to monitor all history of 32-bit integer variable updates (definitions)
  - Implemented as a `FunctionPass`
  - Produces a text file where it records which variable is defined as which value at which code location.

- IntWrite instruments a target program to insert a *probe* before every integer writing operation, which extracts runtime information

```
01 int f(int x) {
...
10    y = x ;
11    z = y + x ;
```

```
void _probe_(int l,char *fn,int v){ ...
  fprintf(fp,"Store %d in %s @line %d\n",
                        v,fn,l);}
...
_probe_(10, "f", x);
10 y = x ;
_probe_(11, "f", y+x);
11  z = y + x ;
```

`Module` Class

- A `Module` instance stores all information related to the LLVM IR created by a target program file (functions, global variables, etc.)
- APIs (public methods)
  - `getModuleIdentifier()`: return the name of the module
  - `getFunction(StringRef Name)`: return the `Function` instance whose identifier is `Name` in the module
  - `getOrInsertFunction(StringRef Name, Type *ReturnType,…)`: add a new `Function` instance whose identifier is `Name` to the module
  - `getGlobalVariable(StringRef Name)`: return the `GlobalVariable` instance whose identifier is `Name` in the module

`Type` Class

- A `Type` instance is used for representing the data type of registers, variables, and function arguments.

- Static members
  - `Type::getVoidTy(…)` : void type
  - `Type::getInt8Ty(…)` : 8-bit unsigned integer (char) type
  - `Type::getInt32Ty(…)` : 32-bit unsigned integer type
  - `Type::getInt8PtrTy(…)` : 8-bit pointer type
  - `Type::getDoubleTy(…)` : 64-bit IEEE floating pointer type

`FunctionPass` Class (1/2)

- `FunctionPass::doInitialization(Module &)`
  - Executed once for a module (file) before any visitor method execution
  - Do necessary initializations, and modify the given `Module` instances (e.g., add a new function declaration)

- `FunctionPass::doFinalization(Module &)`
  - Executed once for a module (file) before after all visitor method executions
  - Export the information obtained from the analysis or the transformation, any wrap-up

Example

- IntWrite should inserts a new function `_init_` at the beginning of the target program's main function
  - _init_() is to open an output file

```
01 virtual bool doInitialization(Module & M) {
02   if(M.getFunction(StartingRef("_init_"))!=NULL){
03     errs() << "_init_() already exists." ;
04     exit(1) ;
05   }
```

check if _init_() already exists

```
06   FunctionType *fty =
       FunctionType::get(Type::getVoidTy(M.getContext()),false) ;
07   fp_init_ = M.getOrInsertFunction("_init_", fty) ;
```

add a new declaration _init_()

```
     ...
08   return true ;
09 }
```

`FunctionPass` Class (2/2)

- `runOnFunction(Function &)`
  - Executed once for every function defined in the module
  - Read and modify the target function definition

- `Function` Class
  - `getFunctionType()`: returns the `FunctionType` instance that contains the information on the types of function arguments.
  - `getEntryBlock()`: returns the `BasicBlock` instance of the entry basic block.
  - `begin()`: the head of the `BasicBlock` iterator
  - `end()`: the end of the `BasicBlock` iterator

Example

```
01  virtual bool runOnFunction(Function &F) {
02    cout << "Analyzing " << F->getName() << "\n" ;
03    for (Function::iterator i = F.begin(); i != F.end(); i++){
04      runOnBasicBlock(*i) ;
05    }
06    return true;//You should return true if F was modified. False otherwise.
07  }
```

`BasicBlock` Class

- A `BasicBlock` instance contains a list of instructions
- APIs
  - `begin()`: return the iterator of the beginning of the basic block
  - `end()`: return the iterator of the end of the basic block
  - `getFirstInsertionPt()`: return the first iterator (i.e., the first instruction location) where a new instruction can be added safely (i.e., after phi instruction and debug intrinsic)
  - `getTerminator()`: return the terminator instruction
  - `splitBasicBlock(iterator I, …)`: split the basic block into two at the instruction of `I` by inserting an unconditional jump

`Instruction` Class

- An `Instruction` instance contains the information of an LLVM IR instruction.
- Each type of instruction has a subclass of `Instruction` (e.g. `LoadInst`, `BranchInst`)
- APIs
  - `getOpcode()`: returns the opcode which indicates the instruction type
  - `getOperand(unsigned i)`: return the i-th operand
  - `getDebugLoc()`: obtain the debugging data that contains the information on the corresponding code location
  - `isTerminator()`,`isBinaryOp()`, `isCast()`, ….

Example

```
01 bool runOnBasicBlock(BasicBlock &B) {
02   for(BasicBlock::iterator i = B.begin(); i != B.end(); i++){
03     if(i->getOpcode() == Instruction::Store &&
04        i->getOperand(0)->getType() == Type::getInt32Ty(ctx)){
05       StoreInst * st = dyn_cast<StoreInst>(i);
06       int loc = st->getDebugLoc().getLine(); //code location
07       Value * var = st->getPointerOperand(); //variable
08       Value * val = st->getOperand(0); // value
09       /* insert a function call */
10     }
11   }
12   return true ;
13 }
```

How to Insert New Instructions

- `IRBuilder` class provides a uniform API for inserting instructions to a basic block.
  - `IRBuilder(Instruction *p)`: create an `IRBuilder` instance that can insert instructions **right before** `Instruction *p`
- APIs
  - `CreateAdd(Value *LHS, Value *RHS, …)`: create an add instruction whose operands are `LHS` and `RHS` at the predefined location, and then returns the `Value` instance of the target operand
  - `CreateCall(Value *Callee, Value *Arg,…)`: add a new call instruction to function `Callee` with the argument as `Arg`
  - `CreateSub(),CreateMul(),CreateAnd(),…`

`Value` Class

- A `Value` is a super class of all entities in LLVM IR such as a constant, a register, a variable, and a function.
- The register defined by an `Instruction` is represented as a `Value` instance.
- APIs
  - `getType()`: returns the `Type` instance of a `Value` instance.
  - `getName()`: return the name from the source code.

Example

```
IRBuilder<> * IRB;

00 if(i->getOpcode() == Instruction::Store &&
01    i->getOperand(0)->getType() == Type::getInt32Ty(ctx) {

02    StoreInst * st = dyn_cast<StoreInst>(i);

03    int loc = st->getDebugLoc().getLine(); //code location
04    Value * val = st->getOperand(0); // target register
05
06    IRB->SetInsertPoint(&(*i));
07    Value * args[3] ;
08    args[0] = ConstantInt::get(intTy, loc, false) ;
09    args[1] = IRB->CreateGlobalStringPtr(funcname,"");
10    args[2] = val ;
11    IRB->CreateCall(p_probe, args, Twine(""));
      // p_probe should be created before by using
      // getOrInsertFunction() and target code should be compiled
      // with the function definition pointed by p_probe.
      // See IntWrite.cpp and IntWrite.c which contains the
      // definition of probe function
12 }
```

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Runtime module that will be used by the pass
- Compiled as an object file and stored in the LLVM library directory

```c
// intwrite-rt.c runtime module

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

FILE * fp ;

extern void _final_() { fclose(fp) ;}

extern void _init_() { fp = fopen("log", "w") ; atexit(_final_) ;}

extern void _probe_(int line, char *func, int val) {
  if(line!=-1) fprintf(fp, "Store value %d in Function %s, line %d\n",val,func,line) ;
  else fprintf(fp, "Store value %d in unknown location\n", val) ;
}
```

LLVM Fuction pass to monitor writing integer values at runtime
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```
// intwrite-pass.cpp LLVM pass

class IntWrite: public FunctionPass { ... }

/* The code in the remaining part is to register this Pass to
 * LLVM Pass Manager such that LLVM/Clang can use it. */
char IntWrite::ID = 0;

static RegisterPass<IntWrite> X("IntWrite", "IntWrite Pass", false , false);

static void registerPass(const PassManagerBuilder &, legacy::PassManagerBase &PM) {
  PM.add(new IntWrite());
}

static RegisterStandardPasses
    RegisterPassOpt(PassManagerBuilder::EP_ModuleOptimizerEarly, registerPass);

static RegisterStandardPasses
    RegisterPassO0(PassManagerBuilder::EP_EnabledOnOptLevel0, registerPass);
```

```
class IntWrite: public FunctionPass {
    public:
        static char ID; // Pass identification, replacement for typeid

        IntWrite() : FunctionPass(ID) {}

        Type *intTy, *ptrTy, *voidTy, *boolTy ; // To store the type instances

        FunctionCallee p_init ; // points to the function instance of _init_.
        FunctionCallee p_probe ; // points to the function instance of _probe_.

        IRBuilder<> * IRB;

        virtual bool doInitialization(Module &M) {
            /* doInitialization() is executed once per target module,
             * and executed before any invocation of runOnFunction().
             * This function is for initialization and the module level
             * instrumentation (e.g., add functions). */
          ...
            return true ; }

        virtual bool doFinalization(Module &M) {
            /* This function is executed once per target module after
             * all executions of runOnFunction() under the module. */

            return false ;}

        virtual bool runOnFunction(Function &F) {
                /* This function is invoked once for every function in the target
                * module by LLVM */

                /* Invoke runOnBasicBlock() for each basic block under F. */
                for (Function::iterator itr = F.begin() ; itr != F.end() ; itr++) {
                    runOnBasicBlock(*itr) ;
                }

            return true;   }

        bool runOnBasicBlock (BasicBlock &B) {
            /* This function is invoked by runOnFunction() for each basic block
             * in the function. Note that this is not invoked by LLVM and different
             * from runOnBasicBlock() of BasicBlockPass.*/
          ...
            return true ;  }
  };}  ...
```

More Information

- Writing an LLVM Pass
  - http:// llvm.org/docs/WritingAnLLVMPass.html
- LLVM API Documentation
  - http://llvm.org/doxygen/
- How to Build and Run an LLVM Pass for Homework#4
  - https://swtv.kaist.ac.kr/courses/cs453-fall14