



Compilers

Code Generation I

A language with integers and integer operations

$$P \rightarrow \underline{D; P} \mid \underline{D}$$
$$D \rightarrow \text{def } \underline{\text{id}(\text{ARGS})} = \underline{E};$$
$$\text{ARGS} \rightarrow \underline{\text{id}, \text{ARGS}} \mid \underline{\text{id}}$$
$$E \rightarrow \underline{\text{int}} \mid \underline{\text{id}} \mid \text{if } \underline{E_1 = E_2} \text{ then } E_3 \text{ else } E_4 \\ \mid \underline{E_1 + E_2} \mid \underline{E_1 - E_2} \mid \underline{\text{id}(E_1, \dots, E_n)}$$

- The first function definition **f** is the entry point
 - The “main” routine
- Program for computing the Fibonacci numbers:

```
def fib(x) = if x = 1 then 0 else  
             if x = 2 then 1 else  
             fib(x - 1) + fib(x - 2)
```

- For each expression e we generate MIPS code that:
 - Computes the value of e in \$a0
 - Preserves \$sp and the contents of the stack
- We define a code generation function cgen(e) whose result is the code generated for e

- The code to evaluate a constant simply copies it into the accumulator:

cgen(i) = li \$a0 i

- This preserves the stack, as required
- Color key:
 - RED: compile time
 - BLUE: run time

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$\text{cgen}(e_1 + e_2) =$

- $\text{cgen}(e_1)$
 - sw \$a0 0(\$sp)
 - addiu \$sp \$sp -4
 - $\text{cgen}(e_2)$
 - lw \$t1 4(\$sp)
- add \$a0 \$t1 \$a0
- addiu \$sp \$sp 4

$\text{cgen}(e_1 + e_2) =$

- $\text{cgen}(e_1)$
 - print "sw \$a0 0(\$sp)"
 - print "addiu \$sp \$sp -4"
- $\text{cgen}(e_2)$
 - print "lw \$t1 4(\$sp)"
 - print "add \$a0 \$t1 \$a0"
 - print "addiu \$sp \$sp 4"

- Optimization: Put the result of e_1 directly in \$t1?

$\text{cgen}(e_1 + e_2) =$

$\text{cgen}(e_1)$

move \$t1 \$a0

$\text{cgen}(e_2)$

add \$a0 \$t1 \$a0

Wrong!

$1 + (2 + 3)$

li \$a0 1

move \$t1 \$a0

li \$a0 2

move \$t1 \$a0

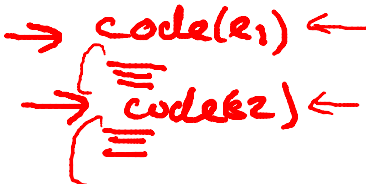
li \$a0 3

add \$a0 \$t1 \$a0

5

7?

add \$a0 \$t1 \$a0

- The code for $+$ is a template with “holes” for code for evaluating e_1 and e_2

- Stack machine code generation is recursive
 - Code for e_1 + e_2 is code for e_1 and e_2 glued together
- Code generation can be written as a recursive-descent of the AST
 - At least for expressions

- New instruction: **sub** reg_1 reg_2 reg_3
 - Implements $\text{reg}_1 \leftarrow \text{reg}_2 - \text{reg}_3$

$\text{cgen}(e_1 - e_2) =$
 $\{ \text{cgen}(e_1)$
 $\text{sw } \$a0 \ 0(\$sp)$
 $\text{addiu } \$sp \ \$sp \ -4$
 $\{ \text{cgen}(e_2)$
 $\text{lw } \$t1 \ 4(\$sp)$
 $\rightarrow \text{sub } \$a0 \ \$t1 \ \$a0$
 $\text{addiu } \$sp \ \$sp \ 4$

Choose the expression that the assembly code at right was generated from.

- ☐ $5 + (4 - 3)$
- ☐ $5 - (4 + 3)$
- ☐ $(5 + 4) - 3$
- ☐ $(5 - 4) + 3$

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```
li $a0 5
sw $a0 0($sp)
addiu $sp $sp -4
li $a0 4
sw $a0 0($sp)
addiu $sp $sp -4
li $a0 3
lw $t1 4($sp)
sub $a0 $t1 $a0
addiu $sp $sp 4
lw $t1 4($sp)
add $a0 $t1 $a0
addiu $sp $sp 4
```

- New instruction: `beq reg1 reg2 label`
 - Branch to label if `reg1 = reg2`
- New instruction: `b label`
 - Unconditional jump to label

$\text{cgen}(\text{if } e_1 = e_2 \text{ then } e_3 \text{ else } e_4) =$
 $\text{cgen}(e_1)$
 $\text{sw } \$a0 \ 0(\$sp)$
 $\text{addiu } \$sp \ \$sp \ -4$
 $\text{cgen}(e_2)$
 $\text{lw } \$t1 \ 4(\$sp)$
 $\text{addiu } \$sp \ \$sp \ 4$
 $\text{beq } \$a0 \ \$t1 \ \text{true_branch}$

false_branch:

$\text{cgen}(e_4)$

$\text{b } \text{end_if}$

true_branch:

$\text{cgen}(e_3)$

→ end_if: