

# Compiler Principle

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# 7 Translation to Intermediate Code

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## 7.2 Translation into Trees

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**Abstract  
Syntax  
Expression**



**Intermediate  
Tree**

# Kinds of Expressions

- The expression **A\_exp** with return values
  - ✓The intermediate tree **T\_exp**
- The expression **A\_exp** (such as **procedure call**, or **while** ) that returns no value
  - ✓Represented by the intermediate tree: **T\_stm**
- The expression **A\_exp**(such as **a > b**) with Boolean value
  - ✓Represented by the intermediate tree : **A conditional jump**  
—**a combination of T\_stm and a pair of destinations represented by Temp\_labels**

# Kinds of Expressions

```
/* in translate.h */
```

```
typedef struct Tr_exp_ *Tr_exp;
```

```
/* in translate.c */
```

```
struct Cx { patchList trues; patchList falses; T_stm stm;};
```

```
struct Tr_exp_
```

```
{ enum { Tr_exp,Tr_nx,Tr_cx } kind;
```

```
union { T_exp ex; T_stm nx; struct Cx cx; } u; };
```

```
static Tr_exp Tr_Ex ( T_exp ex);
```

```
static Tr_exp Tr_Nx ( T_stm nx);
```

```
static Tr_exp Tr_Cx ( patchList trues, patchList falses,T_stm stm);
```

## An example

a > b | c < d



```
Temp_label z = Temp_newlabel ( );
T_stm s1 = T_Seq(T_Cjump(T_gt,a,b,
    NULL_t,z),
    T_Seq (T_Label (z),
        T_Cjump (T_lt,c,d, NULL_t, NULL_f )));
```

- The **true-destination** and **false-destination** are unknown!!!
- To represent “a list of places where a label must be filled in” by **using patchList**

```
typedef struct patchList_ * patchList;
```

```
struct patchList_ { Temp_label *head; patchList tail; };
static patchList patchList(Temp_label *head, patchList tail);
```



## An example

- To complete the translation of  $a > b \mid c < d$

```
Temp_label z = Temp_newlabel ( );  
T_stm s1 = T_Seq(T_Cjump(T_gt,a,b, NULLt,z),  
                T_Seq (T_Label (z),  
                    T_Cjump (T_lt,c,d, NULLt, NULLf )));
```

```
patchList trues = PatchList(&s1->u.SEQ.left-> u.CJUMP.true,  
                          PatchList(&s1->u.SEQ.right-> u.SEQ.right-> u.CJUMP.true,  
                          NULL));
```

```
patchList falses = PatchList(&s1->u.SEQ.right-> u.SEQ.right ->  
                          U.CJUMP.false, NULL);
```

```
Tr_exp e1 = Tr_Cx (trues, falses, s1);
```

# Conversion between equivalent expressions

- Three conversion functions: stripping off the corresponding constructor (Ex, Nx, or Cx)

```
static T_exp unEx(Tr_exp e);  
static T_stm unNx(Tr_exp e);  
static struct Cx unCx(Tr_exp e);
```

- An example:

```
flag := (a > b | c < d )
```

```
e = Tr_Cx (trues, falses, stm)
```

```
MOVE (TEMPflag, unEx(e))
```

# Conversion between equivalent expressions

```
static T_exp unEx(Tr_exp e) {
switch (e->kind) {
  case Tr_ex:
    return e->u.ex;
  case Tr_cx: {
    Temp_temp r= Temp_newtemp( );
    Temp_label t = Temp_newlabel( ), f=
Temp_newlabel( );
    doPatch(e->u.cx.trues, t);
    doPatch(e->u.cx.falses, f);
    return T_Eseq(T_move(T_Temp(r),T_Const(1)),
                  T_Eseq(e->u.cx.stm, T_Eseq(T_Label(f),
                  T_Eseq(T_Move(T_Temp( r),T_Const(0)),
                  T_Eseq(T_Label(t), T_Temp(r ))))));
  }
  case Tr_nx:
    return T_Eseq(e->u.nx, T_Const(0));
}
assert(0);
}
```

# Conversion between equivalent expressions

```
case Tr_cx: {
    Temp_temp r= Temp_newtemp( );
    Temp_label t = Temp_newlabel( ), f= Temp_newlabel( );
    doPatch(e->u.cx.trues, t);
    doPatch(e->u.cx.falses, f);
    return T_Eseq(T_move(T_Temp(r),T_Const(1)),
                  T_Eseq(e->u.cx.stm, T_Eseq(T_Label(f),
                  T_Eseq(T_Move(T_Temp( r),T_Const(0)),
                  T_Eseq(T_Label(t), T_Temp(r )))))));
}
```

- An example:

**flag** := (a>b | c<d )

```
r=1
GT,a,b,t,z
z:
LT,c,d,t,f
f:
r=0
t:
```

# Conversion between equivalent expressions

```
void doPatch ( patchList tList, Temp_label label) {
    for ( ; tList; tList = tList->tail)
        *(tList->head) = label;
}

patchList joinPatch (patchList first, patchList second)
{
    if (!first) return second;
    for (; first->tail; first = first->tail);
    first->tail = second;
    return first;
}
```

# The interface between Semant and Translate

- The **semant** module should not contain any direct reference to the Tree or Frame module.
- **Any manipulation of IR trees** should be done by **Translate**.

```
Tr_Exp Tr_simpleVar (Tr_Access,  
Tr_Level);
```

- Sement **pass** the access of x and the level of the function in which x is used.
- Get back a **Tr\_exp**

```
/* frame.h*/
```

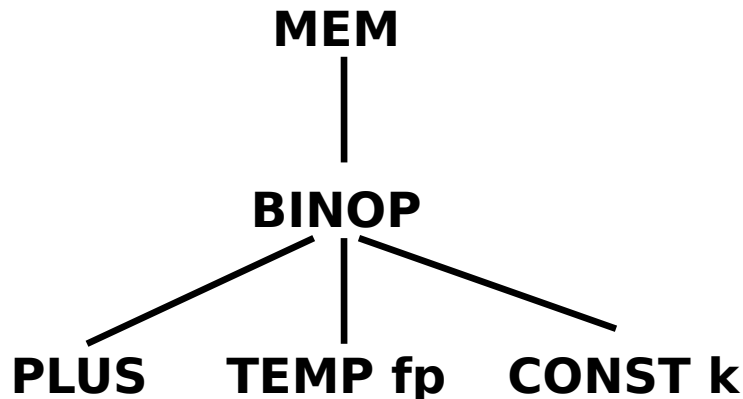
```
Temp_temp F_FP(void);
```

```
Extern const int F_wordSize;
```

```
T_exp F_Exp(F_access acc, T_exp framePtr)
```

## Simple variables

- **A simple variable  $v$**  declared in the current procedure's stack frame
- Translated as follows:

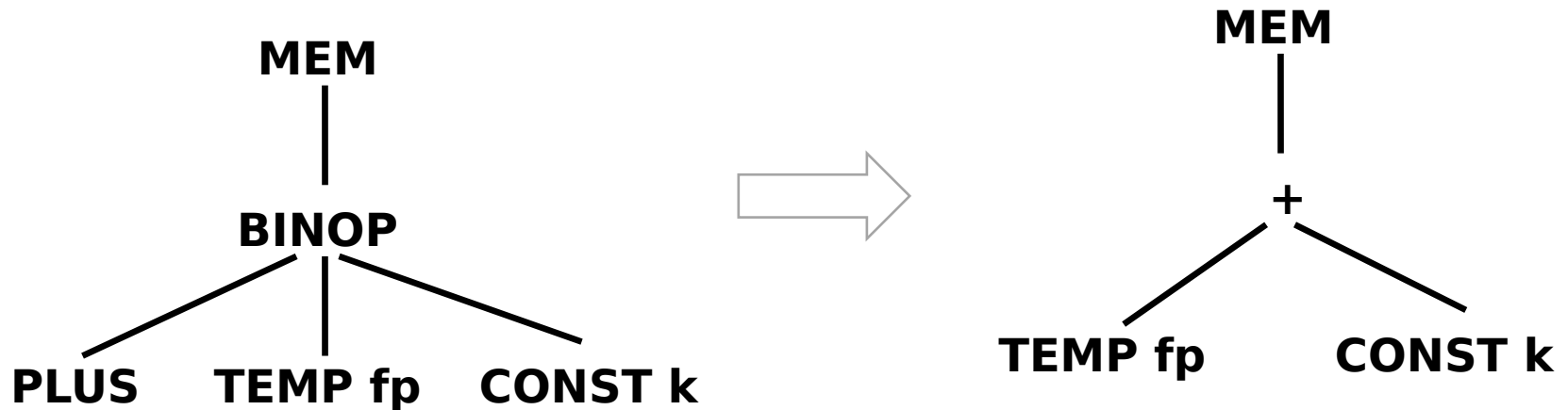


**MEM(BINOP(PLUS,TEMP fp, CONST k))**

- **$k$  is the offset** of  $v$  within the frame and
- **TEMP fp** is the **frame-pointer register**.
- All variables are the same size — **the natural word size of the machine**.

# Simple variables

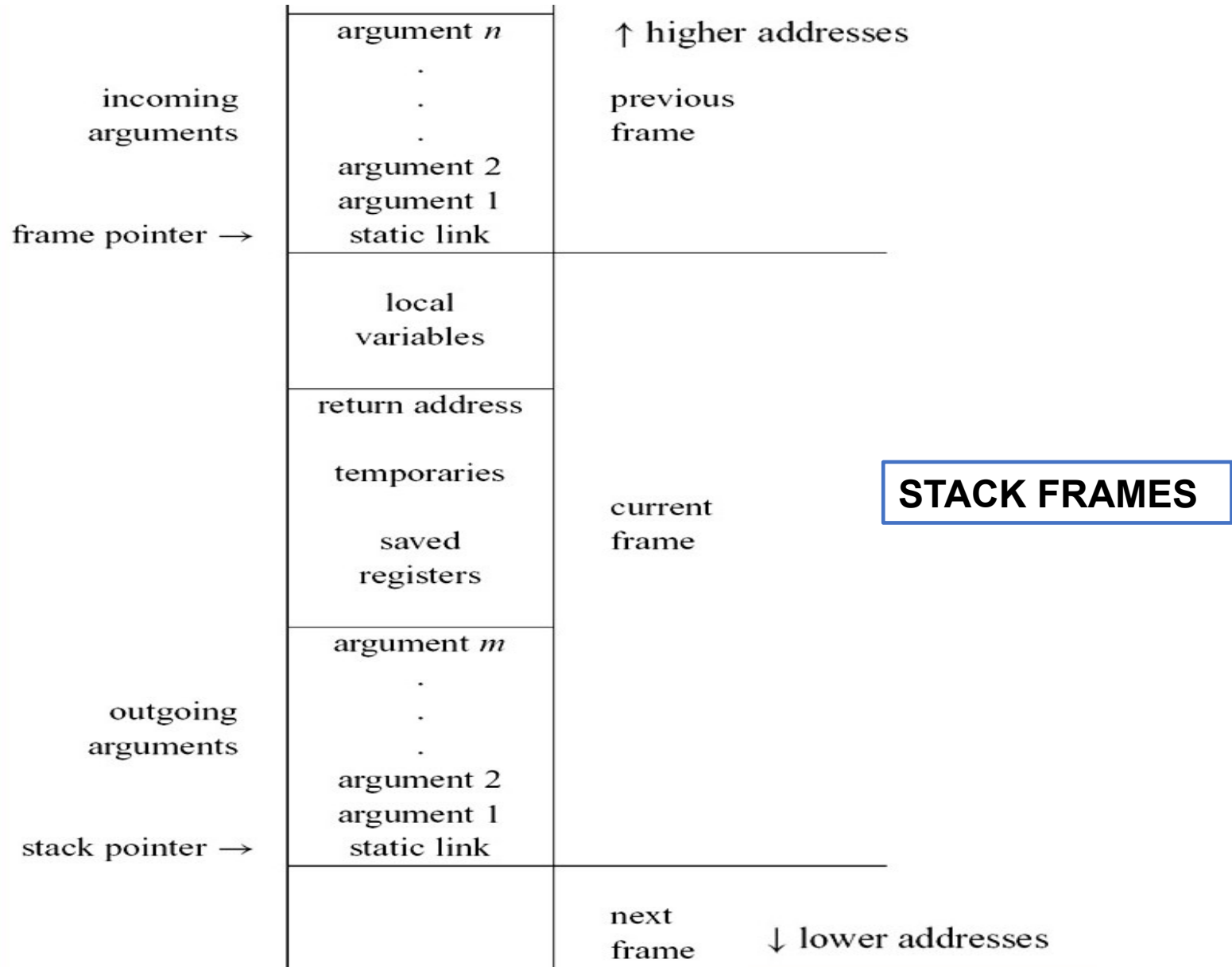
- Abbreviate **BINOP(PLUS, e1, e2)** as **+(e1, e2)**



**MEM(BINOP(PLUS,TEMP fp, CONST k))    +(TEMP fp,CONST k)**



# Simple variable



## Simple variables

- The function **F\_Exp** is used by Translate to turn a **F\_access** into the Tree expression
- The **T\_exp** argument is the address of the stack frame that the **F\_access** lives in

```
T_exp F_exp(F_access acc, T_exp framePtr);
```

- An access *a* such as **InFrame(*k*)**:

```
F_Exp(a,T_Temp(F_FP( )))
```

**Returns**

```
MEM(BINOP(PLUS,TEMP(FP),CONST(k)))
```

## Following Static Links

- A variable x is declared at an outer level of static scope, static links will be used.

```
MEM(+ (CONST Kn, MEM(+ (CONST Kn-1, ...  
                        MEM(+ (CONST K1, TEMP  
FP)) ...))))
```

- To fetch static links from all frames between the level of use and the level of definition

# Array Variables

- In Pascal

```
var a,b : array[1..12] of  
integer  
begin  
    a:=b  
end;
```

**copies the contents of array *a* into array *b*.**

# Array Variables

- In C

```
{ int a[12], b[12];  
  a=b;  
}
```

*This is **illegal***

```
{ int a[12],  
  *b;  
  b=a;  
}
```

*This is **quite legal***  
b now points to the  
beginning of the  
array a.

# Array Variables

In Tiger (as in Java and ML), array variables behave like pointers.

- Has no named array constants as in C,
- New array values are created (and initialized) by the construct  $t_a[n]$  of  $i$ ;
  - ✓  $t_a$  is the name of an array type,
  - ✓  $n$  is the number of elements
  - ✓  $i$  is the initial value of each element.

```
let
  type intArray = array of int
  var a := intArray[12] of 0
  var b := intArray[12] of 7
  int a := b
end
```

- $a$  ends up pointing to the same 12 sevens as the variable  $b$ ;
- the original 12 zeros allocated for  $a$  are discarded.

# Structured L-Values

- **R-value:** appear on the *right* of an assignment,
  - ✓  $a+3$  or  $f(x)$ .
  - ✓ *r*-value does not denote a assignable *location*
- **L-value:** the result of an expression that can occur on the *left* of an assignment statement, such as
  - ✓  $x$ ,  $p$ ,  $y$  or  $a[i+2]$
  - ✓ denotes a *location* that can be assigned to
  - ✓ can occur on the right of an assignment statement

# Structured L-Values

- An integer or pointer value is a “**scalar**”: it has only one component.
  - ✓ All the variables and l-values in Tiger are scalar.
  - ✓ a Tiger array or record variable is really a pointer (a kind of scalar).
- In C or Pascal there are structured l-values - structs in C, arrays and records in Pascal - that are not scalar.

```
T_exp T_Mem(T_exp, int  
size);  
Mem(+(TEMP fp,CONST  
k), S)
```

- **S** indicates the size of the object to be fetched or stored



# Subscripting and Field Selection

- To subscript an array in Pascal or C (to compute  $a[i]$ ) by computing the address of  $a[i]$ :

$$(i - l) \times s + a$$

✓  $l$ : lower bound;  $s$ : size of the element;  $a$ : base address

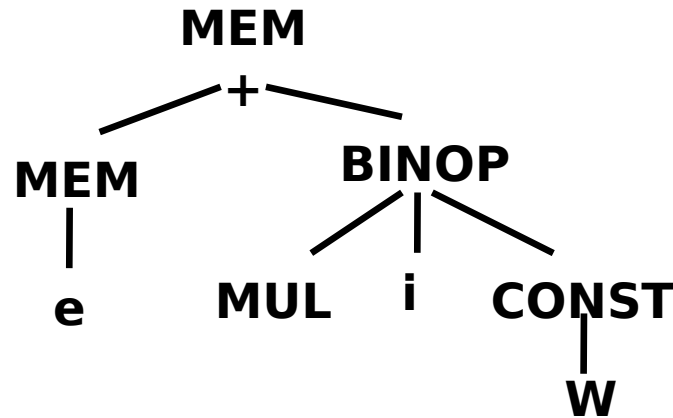
- If  $a$  is global, the constant  $a - s \times l$  can be *computed at compile-time*
- To calculate address of **field of a record**,  $a.f$   
 $\text{Offset}(f) + a$

# Subscripting and Field Selection

- An array variable  $a$  is an  $l$ -value; so is an array subscript expression  $a[i]$ .
- To calculate the  $l$ -value  $a[i]$  from  $a$ , we do arithmetic on the address of  $a$ .
  - ✓ A "+" node would add the index times the element size to the  $l$ -value for the base of the array.
  - ✓ The  $l$ -value (representing the entire array) might be used in a context where an  $r$ -value is required (e.g., passed as a by-value parameter, or assigned to another array variable).
  - ✓ Then the  $l$ -value is coerced into an  $r$ -value by applying the MEM operator to it.

# Subscripting and Field Selection

- IR tree of  $a[i]$  is



**MEM(+ (MEM(e), BINOP(MUL, i, CONST W)))**

- **MEM** means
  - store (when used as the left child of a **MOVE**)
  - fetch (when used elsewhere).

# Arithmetic

- **Each arithmetic operator corresponds to a Tree operator.**
- The Tree language has **no** unary arithmetic operators.
  - Unary negation of integers: implemented as subtraction from zero;
  - Unary complement: implemented as XOR with all ones.
- Unary floating-point negation cannot be implemented as subtraction from zero.
  - Many floating-point representations allow a negative zero.
  - The negation of negative zero is positive zero, and vice versa.
- The Tree language does not support unary negation very well.

# Conditionals

- The result of a comparison operator --- a Cx expression
  - ✓ a statement  $s$  that will jump to any true-destination and false-destination.

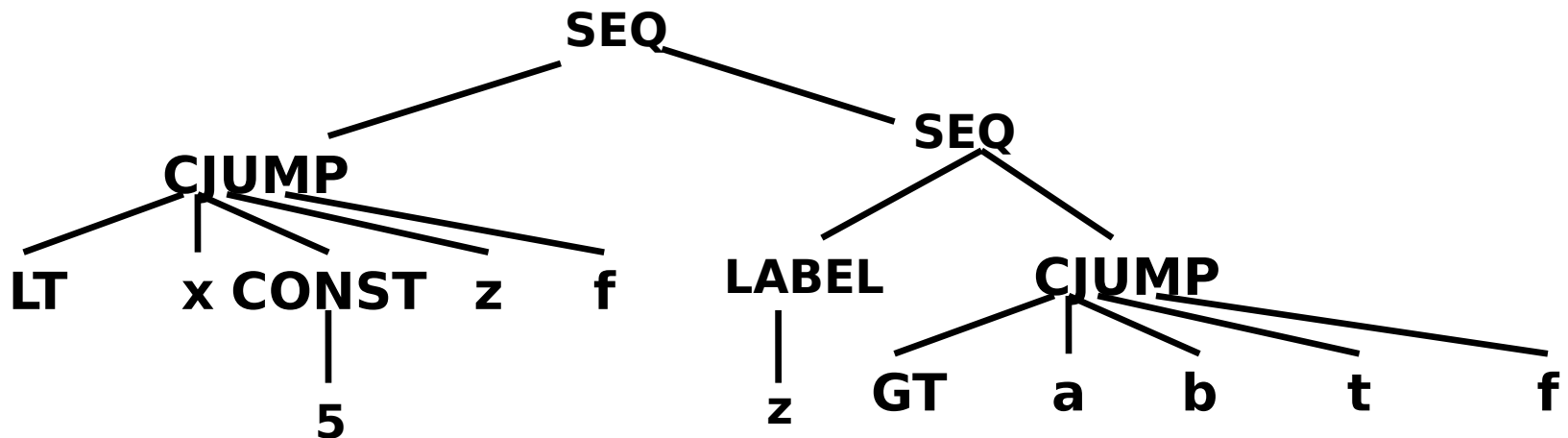
**if  $e_1$  then  $e_2$  else  $e_3$**

- $e_1$ : Cx expression;  $e_2$  and  $e_3$ : Ex expressions
  - use the unCx method of  $e_1$
  - unEx of  $e_2$  and  $e_3$
  - Make two labels  $t$  and  $f$
  - Allocate a temporary  $r$
  - after label  $t$ , move  $e_2$  to  $r$
  - after label  $f$ , move  $e_3$  to  $r$
  - Both branches finish by jumping to a newly created "join" label.

# Conditionals

**if  $x < 5$  then  $a > b$  else 0**

- $x < 5$  translates into  $Cx(s1)$
- $a > b$  will be translated as  $Cx(s2)$



**SEQ(S1(z,f),SEQ(LABEL Z,s2(t,f)))**

# While Loops

```
test:
    if not(condition) goto done
    body
    goto test
done:
```

- If a **break** statement occurs within the *body* (and not nested within any interior while statements), the translation is simply a JUMP to *done*.
- Translation of break statements needs to have a new formal parameter *break* that is **the *done* label of the nearest enclosing loop.**

# For Loops

- A straightforward approach:
  - ✓ rewrite the *abstract syntax* into the abstract syntax of the while statement shown.

```
for i:= lo to hi  
do body
```



```
let var i := lo  
    var limit := hi  
in while l <= limit  
    do (body; i :=  
        i+1)  
end
```

**Exception:**

If *limit*=*maxint* Then *i + 1* will  
overflow;



# The end of Chapter 7(2)

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