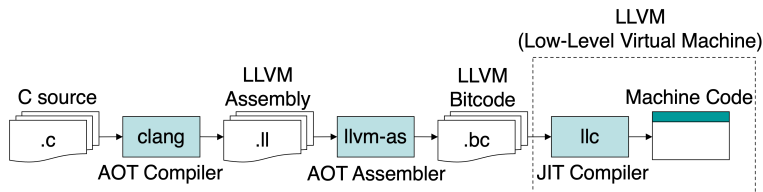


# Code Generation

# Multiple IRs in the Compiler

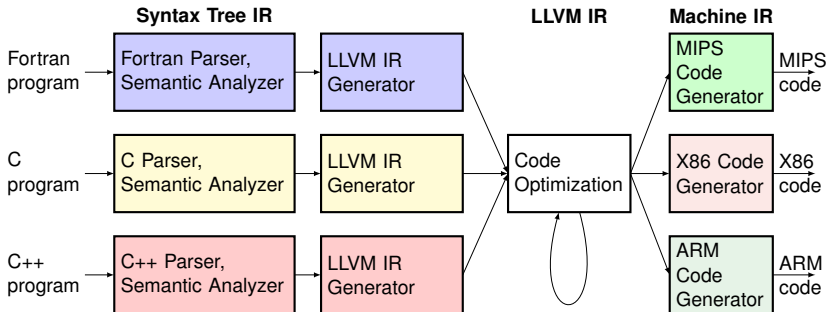
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Remember this diagram from our first day?



LLVM Bitcode is in LLVM IR (Intermediate Representation)

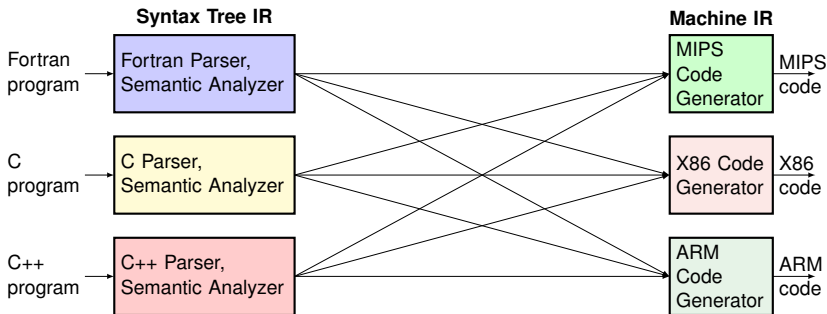
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Common LLVM IR for all languages and backends means:

- Code optimizations need to be written only once
- Implementation complexity of  $O(M + N)$  instead of  $O(M * N)$  (where  $M$  = number of frontends,  $N$  = number of backends)

# Why $O(M * N)$ when no common IR?



Must translate  $M$  languages to  $N$  machine codes

➤ Must also do optimizations during each of these translations

# High-Level IRs

- ❑ Goal: Express the syntax and semantics of source code
- ❑ Examples: Abstract Syntax Tree, Parse Tree
- ❑ Differs on: Source code programming language
- ❑ Uses:
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  - Used by semantic analysis for binding and type checking
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  - **Type specialization**: generating code for just one type
    - By proving runtime type of variable (using type inference)
    - By profiling type at runtime and generating code for that type

# Low-Level IRs

- ❑ Goal: Express code in the ISA of an abstract machine
- ❑ Examples:
  - Three address code
  - Static Single Assignment (SSA) code
- ❑ Differs on: Language and back-end machine agnostic
- ❑ Uses:
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$\equiv$

$t = x * y;$

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# Machine IRs

- ❏ Goal: Generate code in the ISA of back-end machine
- ❏ Examples: x86 IR, ARM IR, MIPS IR
- ❏ Differs on: Back-end machine ISA
- ❏ Uses:
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- Vectorization:** using CPU vector units to parallelize  
for (i = 0; i < 64; i++) { C[i] = A[i] + B[i]; }

$\equiv$

vec\_add\_64    vec\_register, A, B

vec\_store\_64    C, vec\_register

# Low-Level IRs

# Three Address Code

□ In the form of  **$X = Y \text{ op } Z$**  where X, Y, Z can be:

- variables, constants, temporaries
- temporaries: compiler-generated variables  
(holds intermediate values for long expressions)

□ An example:

$$x * y + z / w$$

is translated to

$$t1 = x * y \quad ; t1, t2, t3 \text{ are temporary variables}$$

$$t2 = z / w$$

$$t3 = t1 + t2$$

- Internal nodes in AST are translated to temporary variables
- Can be generated through a depth-first traversal of AST

# Three Address Code: Ops for an abstract machine

## □ Characteristics

- Long expressions are broken down to three address ops
- Control flow statements are converted to jumps
- Designed to be machine independent
  - Operators limited to those available on all machines
  - Function calls represented as generic call ops
  - Uses **variables** rather than **registers** to store values  
(Variables are assigned to registers in machine code)

## □ Why this form?

- Boils language-specific ASTs down to actual computation
- Optimizations done on abstract machine are pertinent  
(abstract machine ops are sufficiently similar to real ISAs)

# Common Three-Address Statements (I)

- Binary operation statement:

**$x = y \text{ op } z$**

where op is an arithmetic or logical operation (binary operation)

- Unary operation statement:

**$x = \text{op } y$**

where op is an unary operation such as -, not, shift)

- Copy statement:

**$x = y$**

- Unconditional jump statement:

**goto L**

where L is label

## Common Three-Address Statements (II)

- Conditional jump statement:

**if (x relop y) goto L**

where relop is a relational operator such as =,  $\neq$ , >, <

- Procedural call statement:

**param  $x_1$ , ..., param  $x_n$ , call  $F_y$ , n**

As an example, foo( $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ ) is translated to

param  $x_1$

param  $x_2$

param  $x_3$

call foo, 3

- Procedural call return statement:

**return y**

where y is the return value (if applicable)

# Common Three-Address Statements (III)

- Indexed assignment statement:

**$x = y[i]$**

or

**$y[i] = x$**

where  $x$  is an int and  $y$  is an array variable

- Address and pointer operation statement:

**$x = \& y$**  ; a pointer  $x$  is set to the address of  $y$

**$y = * x$**  ;  $y$  is set to value contained in the location  
pointed to by  $x$

**$*y = x$**  ; location addressed by  $y$  gets value  $x$

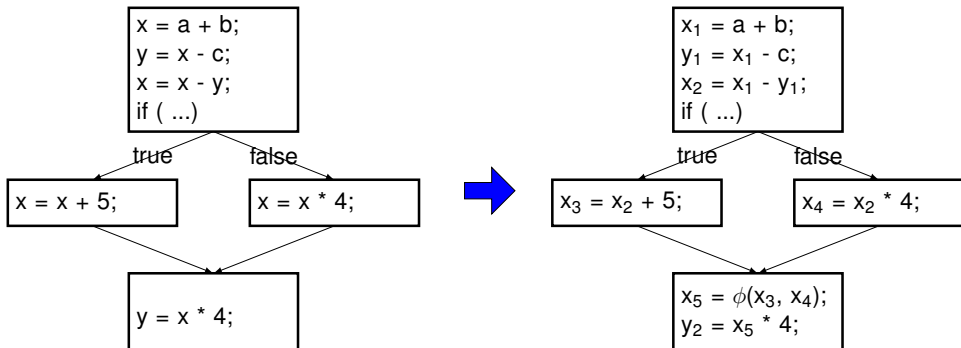


# Static Single Assignment (SSA)

- ❑ Most modern IRs are both three address and SSA
  - Clang C/C++ Compiler LLVM IR
  - GCC C/C++ Compiler GIMPLE IR:
  - OpenJDK Java JIT-Compiler Ideal IR
  - Chrome V8 JavaScript JIT-Compiler Turboshift IR
  
- ❑ Coined by Rosen, Wegman, Zadeck in "Global value numbers and redundant computations", 1988
  - Every variable is assigned to exactly once
  - Variable gains a version number whenever it is assigned to:  
int x, y;  
x<sub>1</sub> = 1;           // Current version of x is 1  
y<sub>1</sub> = x<sub>1</sub> \* 2;    // Uses version 1 of x  
x<sub>2</sub> = x<sub>1</sub> + 1;    // Current version of x is 2  
y<sub>2</sub> = x<sub>2</sub> \* 2;    // Uses version 2 of x

# SSA example with control flow

- What if versions are different on control flow merge?  
 $\Phi$ -function combines two versions into one new version



# SSA helps compiler optimizations

## Dead Code Elimination (DCE):

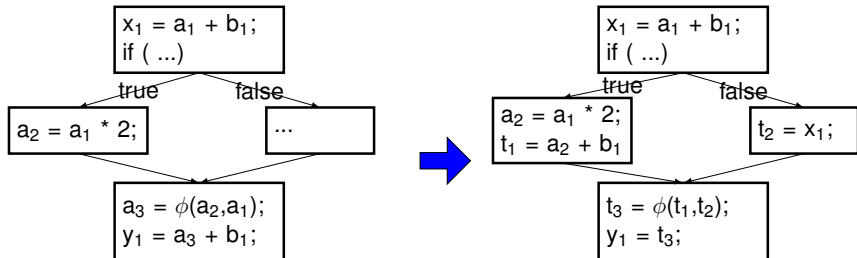
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x = a + b;
x = c - d;
y = x * b;
```



```
x1 = a + b;
x2 = c - d;
y1 = x2 * b;
```

....  $x_1$  is defined but never used, it is safe to remove

## Partial Redundancy Elimination (PRE):



Redundant  $a + b$  computation on false branch is removed

# Why does SSA help optimizations?

- ❑ Data dependencies between instructions are made explicit
  - Variables with same name guaranteed to have same value
- ❑ Without SSA, same name does not mean same value
  - Must maintain data dependence graph to express this info
- ❑ We will discuss more in **compiler optimization** phase

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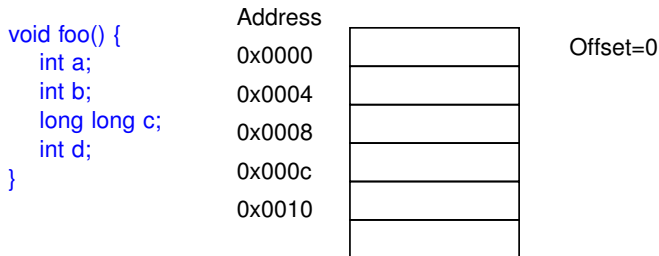
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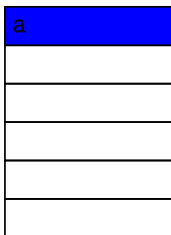
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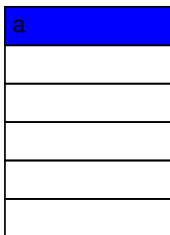
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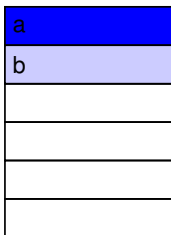
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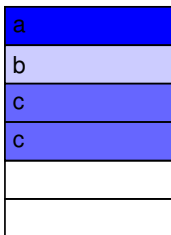
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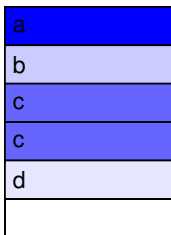
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Offset=20

$\text{Addr}(a) \leftarrow 0$

$\text{Addr}(b) \leftarrow 4$

$\text{Addr}(c) \leftarrow 8$

$\text{Addr}(d) \leftarrow 16$

# What if function has nested scopes?

❑ Let's take the below example code:

```
void foo() {  
    int a;  
    int b;  
    {  
        int i;  
    }  
    {  
        {  
            int j;  
        }  
        int k;  
    }  
}
```

❑ What is address(k)? 16?

# Nested Scopes Example

```
void foo() {  
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  int b;  
  check point #1  
  {  
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  }  
  
  {  
    {  
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}
```

Symbol  
Table Stack

Offset  
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	8

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Offset  
Stack

	12
	8

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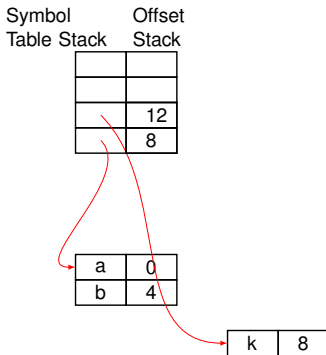
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# Consideration 1: Allocation Alignment

- ❑ Enforce  **$\text{addr}(\text{var}) \bmod \text{sizeof}(\text{memory word}) == 0$** 
  - Memory word: unit of memory access in given CPU
  - If not, need to load two words and shift & concatenate

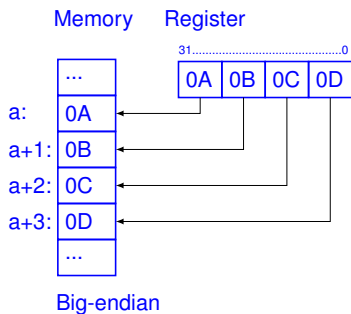
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    char a;      // addr(a) = 0;  
    int b;       // addr(b) = 4; /* instead of 1 */  
    int c;       // addr(c) = 8;  
    long long d; // addr(d) = 16; /* instead of 12 */  
}
```

- ❑ This makes memory layout backend machine dependent
  - Memory layout made explicit only in Machine IR
  - Low-level IR needs to refer to locations in an abstract way

# Consideration II: Endianness

## Endianness

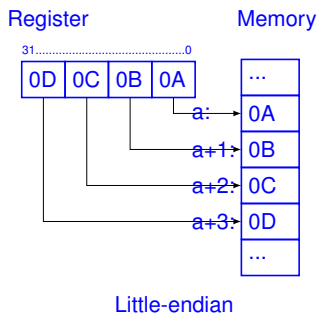
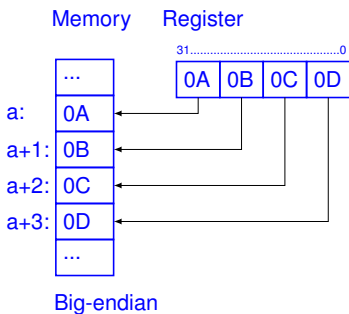
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# How about other memory besides stack memory?

## Static Memory

- Where global variables and other static variables reside
- Layout variables from base address in the same way

## Heap Memory

- Where dynamically allocated memory using malloc reside
- Handled by runtime memory management library
- Compiler not much to do with how this memory is laid out

# Generating IR

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  - Declarations
    - Variables, functions (parameters and return types), ...
  - Statements
    - Assignment statements
    - Function call statements
    - Control flow statements (if-then-else, for/while loops)
  - Expressions
    - $x + y$ ,  $x - y$ ,  $x < y$ ,  $x > y$ ,  $x == y$ , ...

# Attributes to Evaluate in Translation

## Variable declaration:

**T V** e.g. int a,b,c;

- Type information **T.type** **T.width**
- Variable information **V.type**, **V.offset**

## Statement **S**

- **S.code**: synthesized attribute that holds IR code of S

## Expression **E**

- **E.code**: synthesized attribute that holds IR code for E
- **E.place**: temporary variable name to store result of E



# Processing Declarations

- ❏ Translating declarations in a single scope
  - **enter(name, type, offset)**: insert variable into symbol table

$S \rightarrow M D$

$M \rightarrow \epsilon$  { offset=0; } /\* reset offset before layout \*/

$D \rightarrow D D$

$D \rightarrow T \text{ id};$  { enter(id.name, T.type, offset); offset += T.width; }

$T \rightarrow \text{integer}$  { T.type=integer; T.width=4; }

$T \rightarrow \text{real}$  { T.type=real; T.width=8; }

$T \rightarrow T1[\text{num}]$  { T.type=array(num.val, T1.type);  
T.width=num.val \* T1.width; }

$T \rightarrow * T1$  { T.type=ptr(T1.type); T.width=4; }

# Processing Declarations in Nested Scopes



Translating declarations in nested scopes

- **push(item, stack)**: Pushes item on to stack
- **pop(stack)**: Pops item at the top of stack
- **top(stack)**: Returns item at the top of stack

$S \rightarrow M D$                     { pop(tblptr); pop(offset); }

$M \rightarrow \epsilon$                         { t=mktable(nil); push(t, tblptr); push(0,offset); }

$D \rightarrow D D$

$D \rightarrow \{ N D \}$                 { pop(tblptr); pop(offset); }

$N \rightarrow \epsilon$                         { t=mktable(nil); push(t, tblptr); push(top(offset), offset); }

$D \rightarrow T \text{ id};$                 { enter(id.name, T.type, top(offset));  
                                  top(offset) = top(offset)+ T.width; }

# Processing Statements

□ Statements rely on symbol table populated by declarations

- **lookup(id)**: search id in symbol table, return nil if none
- **emit(code)**: print three address IR for code
- **newtemp()**: get a new temporary variable (or register)
  - E.g., in SSA form, it returns the next virtual register number  
`int newtemp() { return virtual_register++; }`

```

S → id = E    { P=lookup(id); if (P==nil) perror(...); else emit(P '=' E.place); }
E → E1 + E2   { E.place = newtemp(); emit(E.place '=' E1.place '+' E2.place); }
E → E1 * E2   { E.place = newtemp(); emit(E.place '=' E1.place '*' E2.place); }
E → - E1      { E.place = newtemp(); emit(E.place '=' '-' E1.place); }
E → ( E1 )    { E.place = E1.place; }
E → id        { P=lookup(id); E.place=P; }
  
```

# Processing Array References

□ Recall generalized row/column major addressing

□ For example:

1-dimension: `int x[100]; ..... x[i1]`

2-dimension: `int x[100][200]; ..... x[i1][i2]`

3-dimension: `int x[100][200][300]; ..... x[i1][i2][i3]`

□ Row major: offset of a k-dimension array item

1-dimension:  $A_1 = a_1 * \text{width}$        $a_1 = i_1$


2-dimension:  $A_2 = a_2 * \text{width}$        $a_2 = a_1 * N_2 + i_2$

3-dimension:  $A_3 = a_3 * \text{width}$        $a_3 = a_2 * N_3 + i_3$

...

k-dimension:  $A_k = a_k * \text{width}$        $a_k = a_{k-1} * N_k + i_k$

# Processing Array References

 Processing an array assignment (e.g.  $A[i] = B[j];$ )

$S \rightarrow L = E$     {  $t = \text{newtemp}(); \text{emit}(t == L.\text{place} ** L.\text{width});$   
                            $\text{emit}(t == L.\text{base} + t); \text{emit}(**t == E.\text{place});$  }

$E \rightarrow L$         {  $E.\text{place} = \text{newtemp}(); t = \text{newtemp}();$   
                            $\text{emit}(t == L.\text{place} ** L.\text{width}); \text{emit}(E.\text{place} == (L.\text{base} + t));$  }

$L \rightarrow \text{id} [ E ]$     {  $L.\text{base} = \text{lookup}(\text{id}).\text{base}; L.\text{width} = \text{lookup}(\text{id}).\text{width}; L.\text{dim}=1;$   
                            $L.\text{place} = E.\text{place};$  }

$L \rightarrow L1 [ E ]$     {  $L.\text{base} = L1.\text{base}; L.\text{width} = L1.\text{width}; L.\text{dim} = L1.\text{dim} + 1;$   
                            $L.\text{place} = \text{newtemp}();$   
                            $\text{emit}(L.\text{place} == L1.\text{place} ** L.\text{max}[L.\text{dim}]);$   
                            $\text{emit}(L.\text{place} == L.\text{place} + E.\text{place});$  }

# Processing Boolean Expressions

□ Boolean expression: **a op b**

➤ where op can be <, >, >=, &&, ||, ...

## 1. Without *short circuiting*

➤ Short circuiting:

- In expression A && B, not evaluating B when A is false
- In expression A || B, not evaluating B when A is true

➤ Without short circuiting, entire expression is evaluated:

$S \rightarrow id = E$	$\equiv$	$lookup(id) = E.place$
$E \rightarrow (a < b) \text{ or } (c < d \text{ and } e < f)$	$\equiv$	$t1 = a < b$
		$t2 = c < d$
		$t3 = e < f$
		$t4 = t2 \ \&\& \ t3$
		$E.place = t1 \    \ t4$

# Processing Boolean Expressions

## 2. With short circuiting (e.g. C/C++/Java)

### ➤ Processing simple boolean expressions:

$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1$

$E \rightarrow a < b \quad \equiv \quad \begin{aligned} &E.\text{true} = \text{code for } S1; \\ &E.\text{false} = S.\text{next}; \\ &\text{emit( if } E \text{ goto } E.\text{true} ); \\ &\text{emit( goto } E.\text{false} ); \end{aligned}$

$S.\text{next}$ : address of code after  $S$

$E.\text{true}$ : address of code to execute on 'true'

$E.\text{false}$ : address of code to execute on 'false'

### ➤ Processing compound boolean expressions:

- Chain together multiple of above by updating  $E.\text{true}/E.\text{false}$
- $E \rightarrow E1 \ \&\& \ E2$ :  $E1.\text{true} = \text{code for } E2$ ,  $E1.\text{false} = S.\text{next}$
- $E \rightarrow E1 \ || \ E2$ :  $E1.\text{false} = \text{code for } E2$ ,  $E1.\text{true} = \text{code for } S1$

# Processing Boolean Expressions

## 2. With short circuiting (cont'd)

- A short circuited compound boolean expression

$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1$

$E \rightarrow (a < b) \text{ or } (c < d \text{ and } e < f) \equiv$

```
E.true = code for S1;  
E.false = S.next;  
emit(  
  if (a<b) goto E.true  
  goto L1  
L1: if (c<d) goto L2  
    goto E.false  
L2: if (e<f) goto E.true  
    goto E.false  
);
```

- **Problem: E.true, E.false, S.next are non-L-attributes**

- Depend on code that has not been generated yet  
E.true: Only available when S1 is generated  
E.false: Only available when code after S is generated
- Emitting any **forward jump** poses this problem



# Syntax Directed Translation

- ❑ Non-L-attributes preclude syntax directed translation
  - Even with parse tree, preclude simple left-to-right traversal
- ❑ Solutions: two methods
  - Two pass approach — process the code twice
    - Generate labels in the first pass
    - Replace labels with addresses in the second pass
  - One pass approach
    - Generate holes when address is needed but unknown
    - Backpatch holes when address is known later on
- ❑ We will discuss the more efficient one pass approach
  - It is also the method you will use in project 4.

# One-Pass Based Syntax Directed Translation

- ❑ Non-L-attributes during code generation are unavoidable
  - Due to forward jumps to code on the right hand side
  - Example: E.true, E.false, S.next for boolean expressions
  - Is there a one-pass solution to the problem?

## Idea:

1. Leave holes for non-L-attribute values we don't know
2. Fill the holes in when we know the values later on
  - *holelist*: synthesized attribute of 'holes' for one value
  - Holes are filled in by traversing list when value is known
  - All holes will be patched by the end of code generation  
(Since all forward jumps would be resolved by then)

# One-Pass Based Syntax Directed Translation

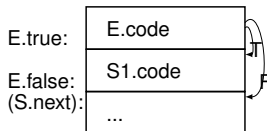
- ❑ Attributes for two pass based approach
  - Expression **E**
    - Synthesized attributes: **E.code**  
**E.holes\_truelist**, and **E.holes\_falselist**
  - Statement **S**
    - Synthesized attributes: **S.code** and **S.holes\_nextlist**
  
- ❑ 3 functions for implementing backpatching
  - **makelist(i)**: create a holelist with statement index i
  - **merge(p1, p2)**: concatenate list p1 and list p2
  - **backpatch(p, i)**: insert index i in every hole in holelist p

# Backpatching for if-then

- Given rule  $S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1$ , below is done in one-pass:
- (1). Gen **E.code**, making **E.holes\_truelist**, **E.holes\_falselist**
  - (2). Gen **S1.code**, filling in **E.holes\_truelist** and merging **S1.holes\_nextlist** with **E.holes\_falselist**
  - (3). Pass on merged list to **S.holes\_nextlist**

$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } M \ S1$

```
{
backpatch(E.holes_truelist, M.index);
S.holes_nextlist = merge(S1.holes_nextlist, E.holes_falselist);
}
```



$M \rightarrow \varepsilon$

```
{ M.index = curlIndex; }
```

# Backpatching for if-then-else

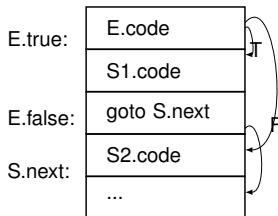
- Given rule  $S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1 \text{ else } S2$ :
- (1). Gen **E.code**, making **E.holes\_truelist**, **E.holes\_falselist**
  - (2). Gen **S1.code**, filling in **E.holes\_truelist**
  - (3). Emit goto to S.next before S2, to skip over S2
  - (4). Gen **S2.code**, filling in **E.holes\_falselist**
  - (5). Merge relevant holes into **S.holes\_nextlist**

$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } M1 \ S1 \ N \ \text{else } M2 \ S2$

```
{
  backpatch(E.holes_truelist, M1.index);
  backpatch(E.holes_falselist, M2.index);
  templist = merge(S1.holes_nextlist, N.holes_nextlist);
  S.holes_nextlist = merge(templist, S2.holes_nextlist);
}
```

$N \rightarrow \epsilon$

```
{
  N.holes_nextlist = makelist(curIndex);
  emit('goto ____');
}
```



# Backpatching for S.holes\_nextlist

- ❑ When does the holes in S.holes\_nextlist get patched?
- ❑ When the instruction after S is generated of course!
- ❑ Given rule  $S \rightarrow S1\ S2$ :
  - (1). Gen **S1.code** making **S1.holes\_nextlist**
  - (2). Gen **S2.code** filling in **S1.holes\_nextlist** and making **S2.holes\_nextlist**
  - (3). Pass on **S2.holes\_nextlist** to **S.holes\_nextlist**

# Backpatching for Boolean Expressions

$E \rightarrow E1 \text{ or } M E2$	<pre>{ backpatch(E1.holes_falselist, M.index);   E.holes_truelist = merge(E1.holes_truelist, E2.holes_truelist);   E.holes_falselist = E2.holes_falselist; }</pre>
$E \rightarrow E1 \text{ and } M E2$	<pre>{ backpatch(E1.holes_truelist, M.index);   E.holes_falselist = merge(E1.holes_falselist, E2.holes_falselist);   E.holes_truelist = E2.holes_truelist; }</pre>
$M \rightarrow \varepsilon$	<pre>{ M.index = curIndex; }</pre>

# Backpatching for Boolean Expressions

$E \rightarrow \text{not } E1$	<pre>{ E.holes_truelist = E1.holes_falselist;   E.holes_falselist = E1.holes_truelist; }</pre>
$E \rightarrow (E1)$	<pre>{ E.holes_truelist = E1.holes_truelist;   E.holes_falselist = E1.holes_falselist; }</pre>
$E \rightarrow \text{id1 relop id2}$	<pre>{ E.holes_truelist = makelist(curlIndex);   E.holes_falselist = makelist(curlIndex+1);   emit('if' id1.place 'relop' id2.place 'goto ____');   emit('goto ____'); }</pre>
$E \rightarrow \text{true}$	<pre>{ E.holes_truelist = makelist(curlIndex);   emit('goto ____'); }</pre>
$E \rightarrow \text{false}$	<pre>{ E.holes_falselist = makelist(curlIndex);   emit('goto ____'); }</pre>



# Backpatching Example

□  $E \rightarrow (a < b) \text{ or } M1 \text{ (} c < d \text{ and } M2 \text{ e} < f \text{)}$

□ When reducing  $(a < b)$  to  $E1$ , we have

100: if( $a < b$ ) goto \_\_\_\_

101: goto \_\_\_\_

$E1.\text{hole\_truelist} = (100)$

$E1.\text{hole\_falselist} = (101)$

□ When reducing  $\varepsilon$  to  $M1$ , we have

$M1.\text{index} = 102$

□ When reducing  $(c < d)$  to  $E2$ , we have

102: if( $c < d$ ) goto \_\_\_\_

103: goto \_\_\_\_

$E2.\text{hole\_truelist} = (102)$

$E2.\text{hole\_falselist} = (103)$

□ When reducing  $\varepsilon$  to  $M2$ , we have

$M2.\text{index} = 104$

□ When reducing  $(e < f)$  to  $E3$ , we have

104: if( $e < f$ ) goto \_\_\_\_

105: goto \_\_\_\_

$E3.\text{hole\_truelist} = (104)$

$E3.\text{hole\_falselist} = (105)$

# Backpatching Example (cont.)

- When reducing (E2 and M2 E3) to E4, we `backpatch((102), 104);`
- |                              |                             |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 100: if(a<b) goto ____       | E4.hole_truelist=(104)      |
| 101: goto ____               | E4.hole_falselist=(103,105) |
| 102: if(c<d) goto <b>104</b> |                             |
| 103: goto ____               |                             |
| 104: if(e<f) goto ____       |                             |
| 105: goto ____               |                             |
- When reducing (E1 or M1 E4) to E5, we `backpatch((101), 102);`
- |                        |                             |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 100: if(a<b) goto ____ | E5.hole_truelist=(100, 104) |
| 101: goto <b>102</b>   | E5.hole_falselist=(103,105) |
| 102: if(c<d) goto 104  |                             |
| 103: goto ____         |                             |
| 104: if(e<f) goto ____ |                             |
| 105: goto ____         |                             |

# Backpatching Example (cont.)

- When reducing (E2 and M2 E3) to E4, we `backpatch((102), 104);`  
100: if(a<b) goto \_\_\_\_ E4.hole\_truelist=(104)  
101: goto \_\_\_\_ E4.hole\_falselist=(103,105)  
102: if(c<d) goto **104**  
103: goto \_\_\_\_  
104: if(e<f) goto \_\_\_\_  
105: goto \_\_\_\_
- When reducing (E1 or M1 E4) to E5, we `backpatch((101), 102);`  
100: if(a<b) goto \_\_\_\_ E5.hole\_truelist=(100, 104)  
101: goto **102** E5.hole\_falselist=(103,105)  
102: if(c<d) goto 104  
103: goto \_\_\_\_  
104: if(e<f) goto \_\_\_\_  
105: goto \_\_\_\_
- Are we done?

# Backpatching Example (cont.)

- When reducing (E2 and M2 E3) to E4, we `backpatch((102), 104);`

```

100: if(a<b) goto ____      E4.hole_truelist=(104)
101: goto ____              E4.hole_falselist=(103,105)
102: if(c<d) goto 104
103: goto ____
104: if(e<f) goto ____
105: goto ____

```

- When reducing (E1 or M1 E4) to E5, we `backpatch((101), 102);`

```

100: if(a<b) goto ____      E5.hole_truelist=(100, 104)
101: goto 102              E5.hole_falselist=(103,105)
102: if(c<d) goto 104
103: goto ____
104: if(e<f) goto ____
105: goto ____

```

- Are we done?**

➤ Yes for this expression

