

COMP 520 Compiler Design Milestone 2

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Design Decisions and Contributions

Contributions:

Zhu Xiru: Type Checker, Symbol Table
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Symbol table is tree like data structure.

The super scope includes `_`, `true` and `false`. The next level is global scope

Each Hash Table entry is made of a linked list of symbols. So after hashing the id, we search linearly.

This is mainly to save memory space.

The scoping rules are as follows. We have a super scope, composed of predeclared variables

Then the global scope. For any `{}`, a new scope is created.

For functions, any parameters required will be inserted in the new scope as predeclared variables which cannot be shadowed in the same function.

Furthermore, with `if`, `for` and `switch` statement the scope is in fact

```
if(int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
```

Memory pointers for type checking are all stored in a hash table garbage collectors.

For type checking, we utilized a one pass type checker. A significant amount of stuff was done in type checking such as casting... so weeding was lighter than expected.

One Weeding Design we could not do was the (a) as being invalid for declarations

For example, `(a), b := 2, 3` is invalid in Go but valid in ours.

This is one for a more consistent language and 2, because our compiler kills all parenthesis so it is not checkable

In Terms of Type Check we have made, there are too many of them so this is just a taste of what the type checking rules are

i1.go -> Different Types cannot operate together. For example a rune and float type without cast will result in an error

i2.go -> Type Redeclaration

i3.go -> Adding int with strings

i6.go -> Append a type that is different from the slice

i7.go -> Finding Type Alias

i8.go -> Return Type Must Match Function Return Type

i11.go -> Non identifier at for short declaration

i12.go -> Non Declared Variable

i13.go -> Recursive Type Declaration

i14.go -> Invalid Type Cast

i15.go -> Void return when has a non void return type

i16.go -> No new name declared in short declaration

i17.go -> Struct comparison, must have the exact same fields and types

i18.go -> Accessing underscore field in struct

i19.go -> Using redeclarating id as a parameter name

i20.go -> If condition must be boolean type
i21.go -> Switch condition must match the case condition
i22.go -> Recursive declaration
i23.go -> For condition must be boolean
i24.go -> For cannot declare values in the last for statement part
i25.go -> String subtraction
i26.go -> Mod cannot be used with float
i27.go -> Using && without boolean
i28.go -> Using float in shift
i29.go -> Variable Redeclaration, But also stress test mass error
potential/memory
i30.go -> Using _ as a type faults

In terms of run time, it seems the type checking part is lighter while the tree building is the heavier portion.
Memory use is not very efficient yet but will be optimized.