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Lecture 1: Introduction

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Reference Textbooks

- *Modern Compiler Implementation in Java (Tiger book)*
A.W. Appel
Cambridge University Press, 1998
ISBN 0-52158-388-8
A textbook tutorial on compiler implementation, including techniques for many language features
- *Advanced Compiler Design and Implementation (Whale book)*
Steven Muchnick
Morgan Kaufman Publishers, 1997
ISBN 1-55860-320-4
Essentially a recipe book of optimizations; very complete and suited for industrial practitioners and researchers.
- *Compilers: Principles, Techniques and Tools (Dragon book)*
Aho, Lam, Sethi and Ullman
Addison-Wesley, 2006
ISBN 0321486811
The classic compilers textbook, although its front-end emphasis reflects its age. New edition has more optimization material.
- *Engineering a Compiler (Ark book)*
Keith D. Cooper, Linda Torczon
Morgan Kaufman Publishers, 2003
ISBN 1-55860-698-X
A modern classroom textbook, with increased emphasis on the back-end and implementation techniques.
- *Optimizing Compilers for Modern Architectures*
Randy Allen and Ken Kennedy
Morgan Kaufman Publishers, 2001
ISBN 1-55860-286-0
A modern textbook that focuses on optimizations including parallelization and memory hierarchy optimization

The Project: The Five Segments

- ① Lexical and Syntax Analysis
- ② Semantic Analysis
- ③ Code Generation
- ④ Dataflow Analysis
- ⑤ Optimizations

Each Segment...

- Segment Start
 - Project Description
- Lectures
 - 2 to 5 lectures
- Project Time
 - (Design Document)
 - (Project Checkpoint)
- Project Due

Project Groups

- 1st project is an individual project
- Projects 2 to 5 are group projects
- Each group consists of 3 to 4 students
- Projects are designed to produce a compiler by the end of class
- Grading
 - All group members (mostly) get the same grade
 - Scanner/parser ungraded
(you can use this to evaluate potential group members)
 - Semantic Checker/Code Generator graded together
 - Dataflow Analyzer/Optimizer graded together
 - 5 turnins total, 2 turnins are graded

Quizzes

- Three Quizzes
- **In-Class Quiz**
 - 50 Minutes (be on time!)
 - Open book, open notes

Mini Quizzes

- You already got one
- Given at the beginning of the class
- Collected at the end
- Collaboration is OK

- This is in lieu of time consuming problem sets

Grading Breakdown

- Project = 70% of grade
 - 25% Semantic Checker/Code Generator
 - 45% Dataflow Analyzer/Optimizer
- Quizzes – 24%, 8% each
- Miniquizzes/class participation – 6%

More Course Stuff

- Blank page project – all the rope you want!
- Challenging project
- You are on your own!
- Accepted Languages
 - Java
 - Scala (people have done well with this language)
 - Haskell

Why Study Compilers?

- Compilers enable programming at a high level language instead of machine instructions.
 - Malleability, Portability, Modularity, Simplicity, Programmer Productivity
 - Also Efficiency and Performance
- Indispensable programmer productivity tool
- One of most complex software systems to build

Compilers Construction touches many topics in Computer Science

- Theory
 - Finite State Automata, Grammars and Parsing, data-flow
- Algorithms
 - Graph manipulation, dynamic programming
- Data structures
 - Symbol tables, abstract syntax trees
- Systems
 - Allocation and naming, multi-pass systems, compiler construction
- Computer Architecture
 - Memory hierarchy, instruction selection, interlocks and latencies, parallelism
- Security
 - Detection of and Protection against vulnerabilities
- Software Engineering
 - Software development environments, debugging
- Artificial Intelligence
 - Heuristic based search for best optimizations

What a Compiler Does

- Input: High-level programming language
- Output: Low-level assembly instructions
- Compiler does the translation:
 - Read and understand the program
 - Precisely determine what actions it requires
 - Figure-out how to faithfully carry out those actions
 - Instruct the computer to carry out those actions

Input to the Compiler

- Standard imperative language (Java, C, C++)
 - State
 - Variables,
 - Structures,
 - Arrays
 - Computation
 - Expressions (arithmetic, logical, etc.)
 - Assignment statements
 - Control flow (conditionals, loops)
 - Procedures

Output of the Compiler

- State
 - Registers
 - Memory with Flat Address Space
- Machine code – load/store architecture
 - Load, store instructions
 - Arithmetic, logical operations on registers
 - Branch instructions

Example (input program)

```
int sumcalc(int a, int b, int N)
{
    int i, x, y;
    x = 0;
    y = 0;
    for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {
        x = x + (4*a/b)*i + (i+1)*(i+1);
        x = x + b*y;
    }
    return x;
}
```


Example (Output assembly code)

```
sumcalc:                                     .size    sumcalc, .-sumcalc
      pushq   %rbp                          .section .Lframe1:
      movq   %rsp, %rbp                    .long    .LECIE1-.LSCIE1
      movl   %edi, -4(%rbp)                 .LSCIE1:.long    0x0
      movl   %esi, -8(%rbp)                 .byte    0x1
      movl   %edx, -12(%rbp)                .string  ""
      movl   $0, -20(%rbp)                  .uleb128 0x1
      movl   $0, -24(%rbp)                  .sleb128 -8
.L2:   movl   -16(%rbp), %eax                .byte    0x10
      cmpl   -12(%rbp), %eax                .byte    0xc
      jg     .L3                             .uleb128 0x7
      movl   -4(%rbp), %eax                  .uleb128 0x8
      leal   0(,%rax,4), %edx                .byte    0x90
      leaq   -8(%rbp), %rax                  .uleb128 0x1
      movq   %rax, -40(%rbp)                 .align   8
      movl   %edx, %eax                      .LECIE1:.long    .LEFDE1-.LASFDE1
      movq   -40(%rbp), %rcx                 .long    .LASFDE1-.Lframe1
      cltd                                     .quad    .LFB2
      idivl  (%rcx)                          .quad    .LFE2-.LFB2
      movl   %eax, -28(%rbp)                 .byte    0x4
      movl   -28(%rbp), %edx                 .long    .LCFIO-.LFB2
      imull  -16(%rbp), %edx                 .byte    0xe
      movl   -16(%rbp), %eax                 .uleb128 0x10
      incl   %eax                             .byte    0x86
      imull  %eax, %eax                       .uleb128 0x2
      addl   %eax, %edx                       .byte    0x4
      leaq   -20(%rbp), %rax                 .long    .LCFI1-.LCFIO
      addl   %edx, (%rax)                     .byte    0xd
      movl   -8(%rbp), %eax                   .uleb128 0x6
      movl   %eax, %edx                       .align   8
      imull  -24(%rbp), %edx
      leaq   -20(%rbp), %rax
      addl   %edx, (%rax)
      leaq   -16(%rbp), %rax
      incl   (%rax)
      jmp    .L2
.L3:   movl   -20(%rbp), %eax
      leave
      ret
```

Optimization Example

```
int sumcalc(int a, int b, int N)
{
    int i;
    int x, y;
    x = 0;
    y = 0;
    for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {
        x = x + (4*a/b)*i + (i+1)*(i+1);
        x = x + b*y;
    }
    return x;
}
```

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    pushq    %rbp
    movq    %rsp, %rbp
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    movl    %esi, -8(%rbp)
    movl    %edx, -12(%rbp)
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    jg     .L3
    movl    -4(%rbp), %eax
    leal   0(,%rax,4), %edx
    leaq   -8(%rbp), %rax
    movq   %rax, -40(%rbp)
    movl   %edx, %eax
    movq   -40(%rbp), %rcx
    cltd
    idivl  (%rcx)
    movl   %eax, -28(%rbp)
    movl   -28(%rbp), %edx
    imull  -16(%rbp), %edx
    movl   -16(%rbp), %eax
    incl   %eax
    imull  %eax, %eax
    addl   %eax, %edx
    leaq   -20(%rbp), %rax
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    leave
    ret
```

Lets Optimize...

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int sumcalc(int a, int b, int N)
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    int i, x, y;
    x = 0;
    y = 0;
    for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {
        x = x + (4*a/b)*i + (i+1)*(i+1);
        x = x + b*y;
    }
    return x;
}
```

Constant Propagation

```
int i, x, y;  
x = 0;  
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```

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    x = x + b*0;  
}  
return x;
```

Algebraic Simplification

```
int i, x, y;  
x = 0;  
y = 0;  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + (i+1)*(i+1);  
    x = x + b*0;  
}  
return x;
```


Algebraic Simplification

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}  
return x;
```

Algebraic Simplification

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for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + (i+1)*(i+1);  
    x = x;  
}  
return x;
```

Copy Propagation

```
int i, x, y;  
x = 0;  
y = 0;  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + (i+1)*(i+1);  
    x = x;  
}  
return x;
```

Copy Propagation

```
int i, x, y;  
x = 0;  
y = 0;  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + (i+1)*(i+1);  
    x = x;  
}  
return x;
```

Copy Propagation

```
int i, x, y;  
x = 0;  
y = 0;  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + (i+1)*(i+1);  
  
}  
return x;
```

Common Subexpression Elimination

```
int i, x, y;  
x = 0;  
y = 0;  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
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}  
return x;
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}  
return x;
```

Common Subexpression Elimination

```
int i, x, y, t;
x = 0;
y = 0;
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {
    t = i+1;
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + t*t;
}
return x;
```


Dead Code Elimination

```
int i, x, y, t;  
x = 0;  
y = 0;  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    t = i+1;  
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + t*t;  
}  
return x;
```

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}  
return x;
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}
return x;
```

Loop Invariant Removal

```
int i, x, t;
x = 0;

for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {
    t = i+1;
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + t*t;
}
return x;
```

Loop Invariant Removal

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x = 0;  
  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    t = i+1;  
    x = x + (4*a/b)*i + t*t;  
}  
return x;
```

Loop Invariant Removal

```
int i, x, t, u;  
x = 0;  
u = (4*a/b);  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    t = i+1;  
    x = x + u*i + t*t;  
}  
return x;
```

Strength Reduction

```
int i, x, t, u;  
x = 0;  
u = (4*a/b);  
  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    t = i+1;  
    x = x + u*i + t*t;  
  
}  
return x;
```

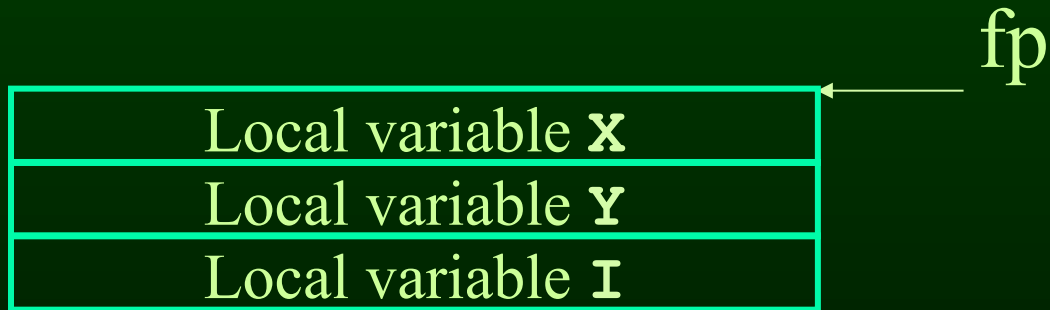
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}  
return x;
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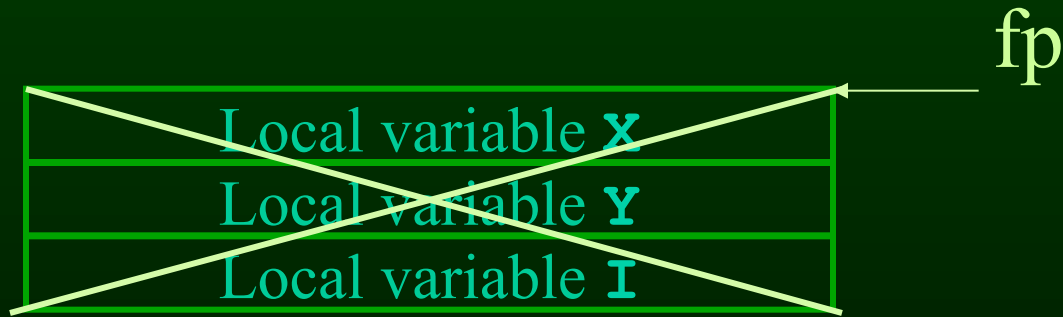

Strength Reduction

```
int i, x, t, u, v;  
x = 0;  
u = (a<<2)/b;  
v = 0;  
for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {  
    t = i+1;  
    x = x + v + t*t;  
    v = v + u;  
}  
return x;
```

Register Allocation



Register Allocation



```
$r8d  = X  
$r9d  = t  
$r10d = u  
$ebx  = v  
$ecx  = i
```

Optimized Example

```
int sumcalc(int a, int b, int N)
{
    int i, x, t, u, v;
    x = 0;
    u = (a<<2)/b;
    v = 0;
    for(i = 0; i <= N; i++) {
        t = i+1;
        x = x + v + t*t;
        v = v + u;
    }
    return x;
}
```

Unoptimized Code

```
    pushq   %rbp
    movq    %rsp, %rbp
    movl    %edi, -4(%rbp)
    movl    %esi, -8(%rbp)
    movl    %edx, -12(%rbp)
    movl    $0, -20(%rbp)
    movl    $0, -24(%rbp)
    movl    $0, -16(%rbp)
.L2:  movl    -16(%rbp), %eax
    cmpl    -12(%rbp), %eax
    jg      .L3
    movl    -4(%rbp), %eax
    leal    0(,%rax,4), %edx
    leaq    -8(%rbp), %rax
    movq    %rax, -40(%rbp)
    movl    %edx, %eax
    movq    -40(%rbp), %rcx
    cld
    idivl   (%rcx)
    movl    %eax, -28(%rbp)
    movl    -28(%rbp), %edx
    imull   -16(%rbp), %edx
    movl    -16(%rbp), %eax
    incl    %eax
    imull   %eax, %eax
    addl    %eax, %edx
    leaq    -20(%rbp), %rax
    addl    %edx, (%rax)
    movl    -8(%rbp), %eax
    movl    %eax, %edx
    imull   -24(%rbp), %edx
    leaq    -20(%rbp), %rax
    addl    %edx, (%rax)
    leaq    -16(%rbp), %rax
    incl    (%rax)
.L3:  jmp     .L2
    movl    -20(%rbp), %eax
    leave
    ret
```

Inner Loop:

10*mov + 5*lea + 5*add/inc
+ 4*div/mul + 5*cmp/br/jmp
= 29 instructions

Execution time = 43 sec

Optimized Code

```
    xorl    %r8d, %r8d
    xorl    %ecx, %ecx
    movl    %edx, %r9d
    cmpl    %edx, %r8d
    jg      .L7
    sall    $2, %edi
.L5:  movl    %edi, %eax
    cld
    idivl   %esi
    leal    1(%rcx), %edx
    movl    %eax, %r10d
    imull   %ecx, %r10d
    movl    %edx, %ecx
    imull   %edx, %ecx
    leal    (%r10,%rcx), %eax
    movl    %edx, %ecx
    addl    %eax, %r8d
    cmpl    %r9d, %edx
    jle    .L5
.L7:  movl    %r8d, %eax
    ret
```

4*mov + 2*lea + 1*add/inc +
3*div/mul + 2*cmp/br/jmp
= 12 instructions

Execution time = 17 sec

Compilers Optimize Programs for...

- Performance/Speed
- Code Size
- Power Consumption
- Fast/Efficient Compilation
- Security/Reliability
- Debugging