CS 536 Announcements for Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Last Time

- continue code generation
  - function declaration, call, and return
  - expressions
  - literals
  - assignment
  - I/O

Today

- wrap up code generation
  - tuple access
  - control-flow constructs
- introduce control flow graphs

Next Time

- optimization

P6 : Codegen class

Constants for registers and logical constants

e.g., `FP` , `SP` , `T0` , `T1` RA V0 A0 Codegen.FP → "$fp"

Methods to help automatically generate code

`generate(opcode, ... args ... )`

e.g., `generate("add", "$t0", "$t0", "$t1")`

writes out `add $t0, $t0, $t1`

versions for fewer args as well

`generateIndexed(opcode,arg1, arg2, offset)`

e.g., `generateIndexed("lw", "$t0", $t1", -12)`

writes out `lw $t0, -12($t1)`

`genPush(reg) / genPop(reg)` → 2 MIPS instrs each

`nextLabel()` – returns a unique string to use as a label → of the form .Lx (x: unique int)

`genLabel(L)` – places a label (L: string) generates the code .L3: if "L3" is contents of L

Code Generation for Tuple Access

Offset from base of tuple to certain field is known statically

- compiler can do the math for the slot address
- not true for languages with pointers!

Example

```
tuple Inner {
    logical hi.
    integer there.
    integer c.
}.

tuple Demo {
    tuple Inner b.
    integer val.
}.

void f{} [
    tuple Demo inst.

    ... = inst:b:c.

    inst:b:c = ... .
```

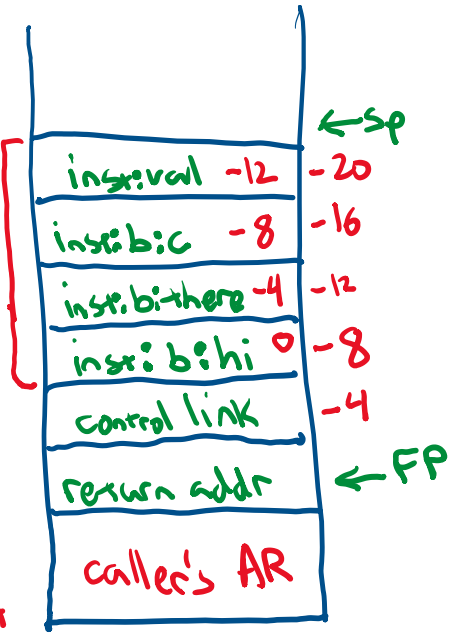
12 bytes

16 bytes

space for inst

inst is based at $fp - 8

field for b:c is -8 off the base of inst



RHS - put value on stack

```
lw $t0, -16($fp)  # $t0 = value stored at $fp-16
push $t0
```

LHS - put address on stack

```
subu $t0, $fp, 16  # $t0 = $fp - 16
push $t0
```

Control flow graphs

Kinds of control flow

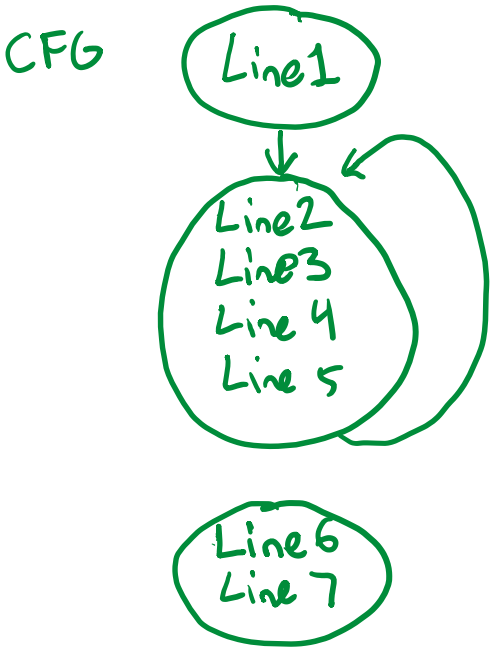
- function calls – saw last lecture (jal, jr)
- selection – if, if-else, if-elseif, switch
- repetition – while, do-while, repeat until, for
- short-circuited operators &, |

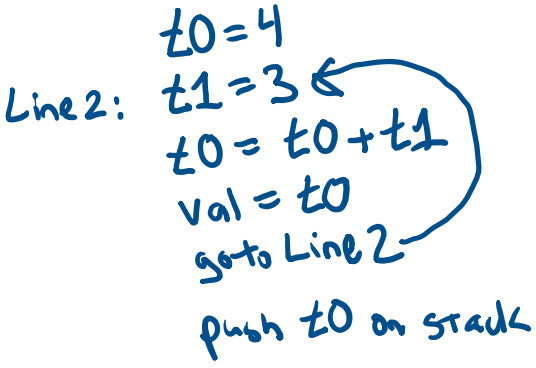
Control flow graph (CFG)

- important representation for program optimization
- helpful way to visualize source code

Example

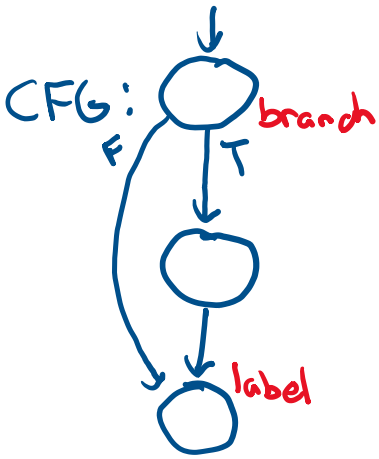
```
Line1: li $t0, 4
Line2: li $t1, 3
Line3: add $t0, $t0, $t1
Line4: sw $t0, val
Line5: b Line2
Line6: sw $t0, 0($sp)
Line7: subu $sp, $sp, 4
```



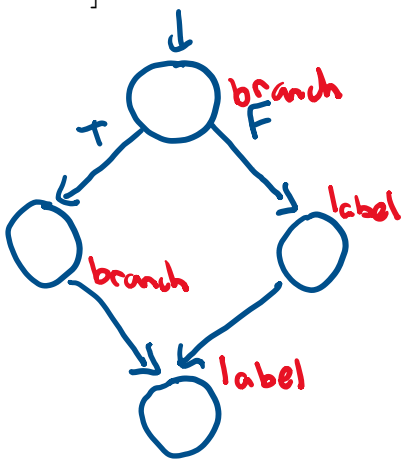


Kinds of control flow in base

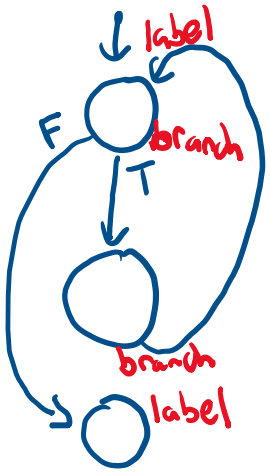
```
if exp [
    ...
]
```




```
if exp [
    ...
] else [
    ...
]
```




```
while exp [
    ...
]
```



What is needed at the assembly-code level

- branching
  - unconditional
  - conditional
- labels

MIPS

```
b label
beq r1, src, label
```

use branch in if/while control structures (rather than jump)

src: register or immediate value

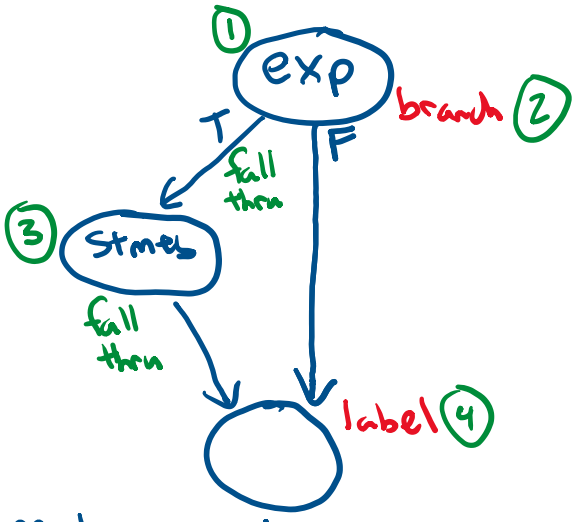
Also: bne, bgt, bge, blt, ble

Code generation for `if` statements

base code example:

```
if a == b [
    $ body of if
]
```

Need to linearize - output a sequence of instructions



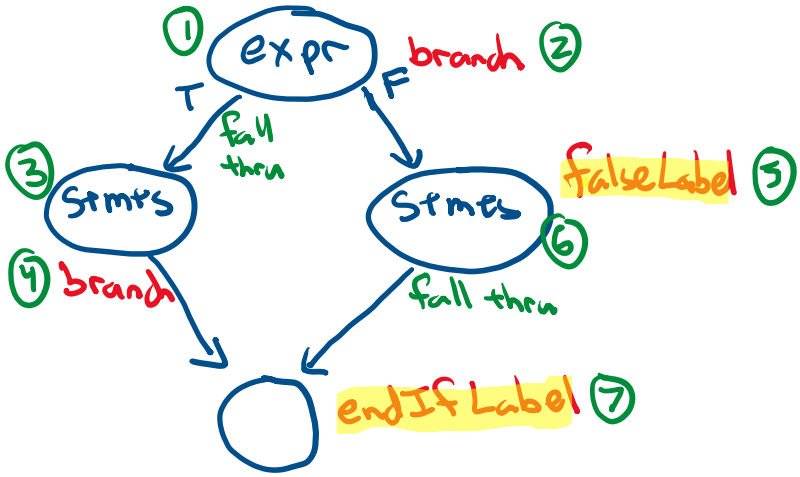
Code generation steps:

- get a label for end of construct
- (1) generate code for expression - leaving result on stack
- (2) generate conditional branch - to label (not yet placed!)
- (3) generate body of `if`
- (4) place end-of-construct label

Code generation for `if-else` statements

base code example:

```
if a > b [
    $ body of if
]
else [
    $ body of else
]
```



Need these labels to be unique, ie, generated by Codegen.nextLabel()

Code generation for `if-else` statements (cont.)

base code:

```
if a > b [
    $ body of if
]
else [
    $ body of else
]
```

MIPS code outline:

```
(1) lw $t0, addr_a      } codeGen on Id(a)
    push $t0

    lw $t0, addr_b      } codeGen on Id(b)
    push $t0

    pop $t1
    pop $t0             } codeGen on >
    sgt $t0, $t0, $t1
    push $t0

(2) pop $t0
    beq $t0, FALSE, falseLabel
        .               └ constant in Codegen.java
(3)     . # body of if
        .
(4) b doneIfLabel

(5) falseLabel:
        .
(6)     . # body of else
        .

(7) doneIfLabel:
```

Use Codegen.java
- has push/pop methods to generate MIPS code

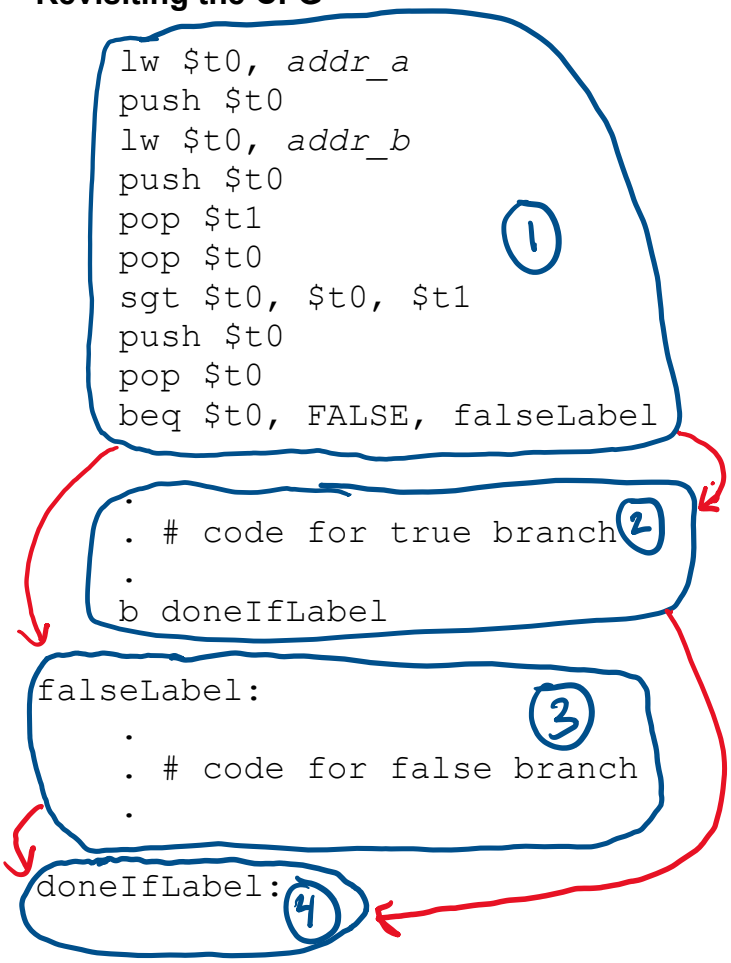
sgt R2, R0, R1
sets R2 to 1 if R0 > R1
to 0 otherwise

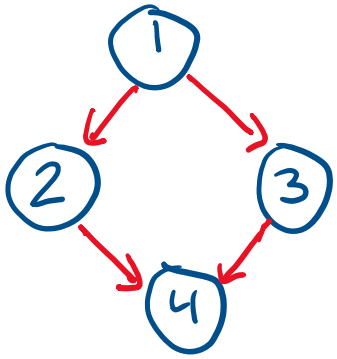
Also have: sge, slt, sle, seq, sne

Note: only ended up using beq & b branching instrs

Code generation for `if-else` statements (cont.)

Revisiting the CFG

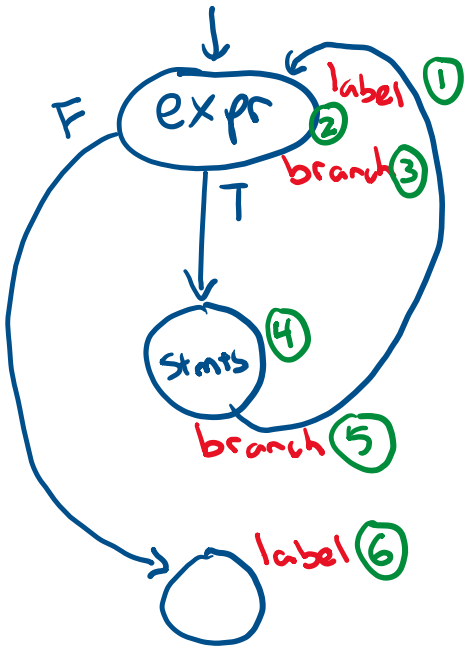




Code generation for `while` statements

base code example:

```
while a == b [
    $ body of while
]
```



MIPS tips

It's really easy to get confused with assembly

Some suggestions

- start simple: main procedure that prints the value 1
  - get procedure `main` to compile and run
    - function prologue and epilogue
  - trivial case of expressions: evaluating the constant 1, which pushes a 1 on the stack
  - printing: `write << 1.`
- then grow your compiler incrementally
  1. expressions
  2. control constructs
  3. call/return

Create super simple test cases

- main procedure: print the value of some expression
- create more and more complicated expressions

Regression suite

- rerun **all** test cases to check whether you introduced a bug
- more suggestions
  - try writing desired assembly code by hand before having the compiler generate it
  - draw pictures of program flow
  - have your compiler put in detailed comments in the assembly code it emits