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Tasks of Code Generation

Generation of machine instructions

- selecting the right instructions
- selecting the right addressing modes

Translation of control structures (if, while, ...) into jumps

Allocation of stack frames for local variables

Maybe some optimizations

Output of the object file

Common Strategy of Code Generation



1. Study the target machine

registers, data formats, addressing modes, instructions, instruction formats, ...

2. Design the run-time data structures

layout of stack frames, layout of the global data area, layout of heap objects, ...

3. Implement the code buffer

instruction encoding, instruction patching, ...

4. Implement register allocation

irrelevant in MicroJava, because we have a stack machine

5. Implement code generation routines (in the following order)

- load values (to the expression stack)
- process designators (x.y, a[i], ...)
- translate expressions
- manage labels and jumps
- translate statements
- translate methods and parameter passing

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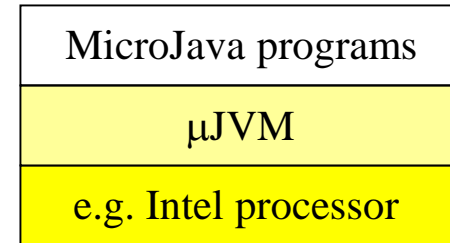
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Architecture of the MicroJava VM (μ JVM)



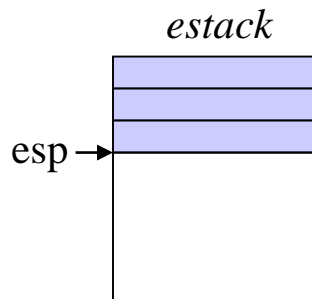
What is a virtual machine (VM)?

- A software CPU
- instructions are interpreted (or "jitted")
- examples: Java VM, Smalltalk VM, Pascal P-Code



The μ JVM is a stack machine

- no registers
- instead it has an *expression stack* (onto which values are loaded)



word array (1 word = 4 bytes)
need not be big (e.g. 32 words \approx 32 registers)

esp ... expression stack pointer

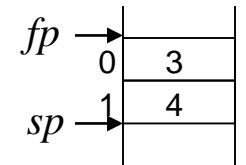


How a Stack Machine Works

Example

statement $i = i + j * 5;$

assume the following values of i and j



Simulation

instructions *stack*

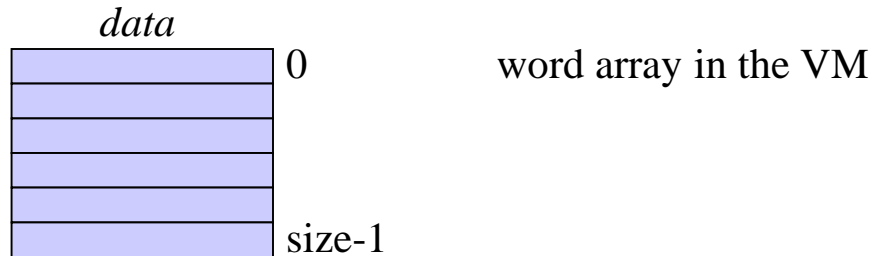
load0	<table border="1"><tr><td>3</td></tr></table>	3	load variable from address 0 (i.e. i)		
3					
load1	<table border="1"><tr><td>3</td><td>4</td></tr></table>	3	4	load variable from address 1 (i.e. j)	
3	4				
const5	<table border="1"><tr><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td></tr></table>	3	4	5	load constant 5
3	4	5			
mul	<table border="1"><tr><td>3</td><td>20</td></tr></table>	3	20	multiply the two topmost stack elements	
3	20				
add	<table border="1"><tr><td>23</td></tr></table>	23	add the two topmost stack elements		
23					
store0		store the topmost stack element to address 0			

At the end of every statement the expression stack is empty!

Data Areas of the μ JVM



Global variables

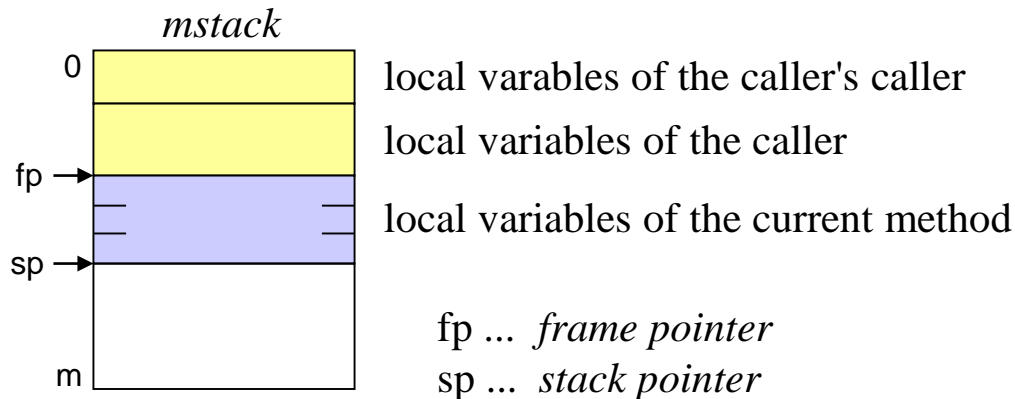
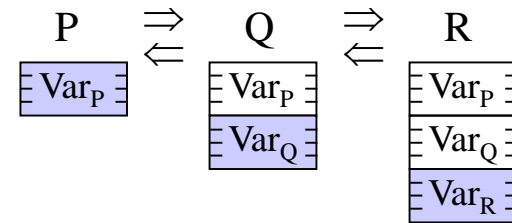


- area of fixed size
- global variables live during the whole program
- every variable occupies 1 word (4 bytes)
- global variables are addressed by word numbers
e.g. *getstatic 2* loads the variable at address 2 from *data* to *estack*

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Local variables

- are allocated in a *stack frame*
- every method invocation has its own stack frame
- frames are managed in a stack-like way

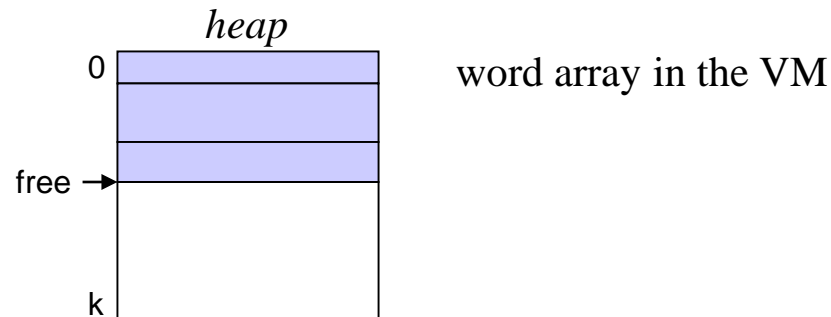


- local variables are addressed relative to *fp*
- every variable occupies 1 word (4 bytes)
- local variables are addressed by word numbers
 e.g. *load0* loads the variable at offset 0 from *fp* to *estack*

Data Areas of the μ JVM

Heap

- contains class objects and array objects

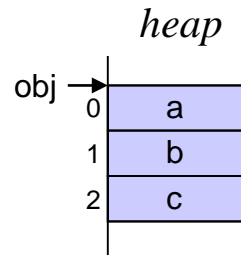


- New objects are allocated at the position *free* (and *free* is incremented); this is done by the VM instructions *new* and *newarray*
- Objects are never deallocated in MicroJava (no garbage collector)
- Pointers are word addresses relative to the beginning of the heap

Data Areas of the μ JVM

class objects

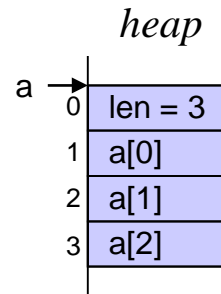
```
class T {
  int a, b;
  char c;
}
T obj = new T;
```



- every field occupies 1 word (4 bytes)
- addressed by word numbers relative to *obj*

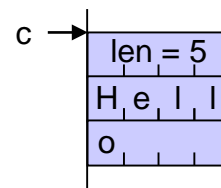
array objects

```
int[] a;
a = new int[3];
```



- array length is stored in the array object
- every element occupies 1 word (4 bytes)

```
char[] c = new char[5];
```

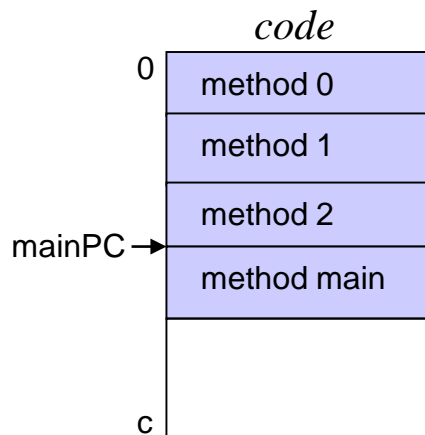


- *char* arrays are byte arrays
- but their length is a multiple of 4 bytes

Code Area of the μ JVM

Code

- byte array of fixed size
- methods are allocated consecutively
- *mainPC* points to the *main()* method



byte array in the VM

special registers of the VM

- fp frame pointer
- sp stack pointer (mstack)
- esp stack pointer (estack)
- pc program counter



Instruction Set of the μ JVM

Bytecodes (similar to Java bytecodes)

- very compact: most instructions are just 1 byte long
- untyped (the Java VM encodes operand types in instructions)

MicroJava

load0
load1
add

Java

iload0	fload0
iload1	fload1
iadd	fadd

reason: the Java bytecode verifier can use the operand types to check the integrity of the program

Instruction format

very simple compared to Intel, PowerPC or SPARC

Code = {Instruction}.
Instruction = opcode {operand}.

opcode ... 1 byte
operand ... 1, 2 or 4 bytes

Examples

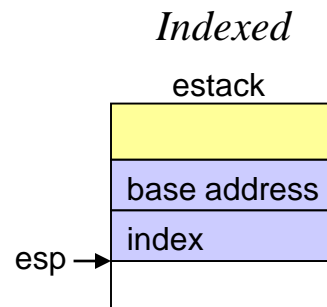
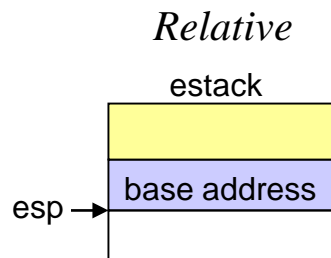
0 operands	add	has 2 implicit operands on the expression stack
1 operand	load 7	
2 operands	enter 0, 2	method entry

Instruction Set of the μ JVM

Addressing modes

Ways how operands can be accessed

<i>addressing mode</i>	<i>example</i>	
• Immediate	const 7	for constants
• Local	load 3	for local variables on <i>mstack</i>
• Static	getstatic 3	for global variables in <i>data</i>
• Stack	add	for loaded values on <i>estack</i>
• Relative	getfield 3	for object fields (load $heap[pop() + 3]$)
• Indexed	aload	for array elements (load $heap[pop() + pop() + 1]$)



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Load/store of local variables

load	b, val	<u>Load</u> push(local[b]);
load<n>	, val	<u>Load</u> (n = 0..3) push(local[n]);
store	b	..., val ...	<u>Store</u> local[b] = pop();
store<n>		..., val ...	<u>Store</u> (n = 0..3) local[n] = pop();

operand lengths

b ... byte

s ... short (2 bytes)

w ... word (4 bytes)

Load/store of global variables

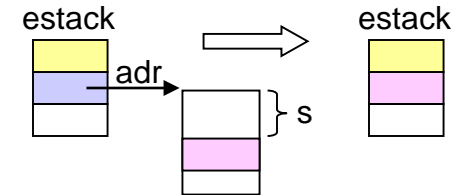
getstatic	s, val	<u>Load static variable</u> push(data[s]);
putstatic	s	..., val ...	<u>Store static variable</u> data[s] = pop();

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Load/store of object fields

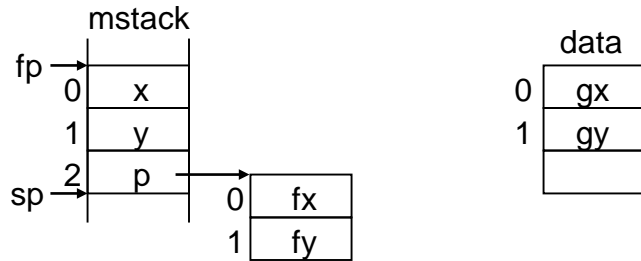
getfield	s	..., adr ..., val	<u>Load object field</u> adr = pop(); push(heap[adr+s]);
putfield	s	..., adr, val ...	<u>Store object field</u> val = pop(); adr = pop(); heap[adr+s] = val;



Loading constants

const	w, val	<u>Load constant</u> push(w);
const<n>	, val	<u>Load constant</u> (n = 0..5) push(n);
const_m1	, val	<u>Load minus one</u> push(-1);

Examples: Loading and Storing



	<i>code</i>	<i>bytes</i>	<i>stack</i>
x = y;	load1 store0	1 1	y -
gx = gy;	getstatic 1 putstatic 0	3 3	gy -
p.fx = p.fy;	load2 load2 getfield 1 putfield 0	1 1 3 3	p p p p p.fy -

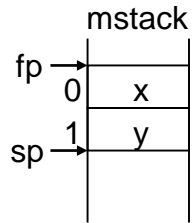
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Arithmetic

add	..., val1, val2 ..., val1+val2	<u>Add</u> push(pop() + pop());
sub	..., val1, val2 ..., val1-val2	<u>Subtract</u> push(-pop() + pop());
mul	..., val1, val2 ..., val1*val2	<u>Multiply</u> push(pop() * pop());
div	..., val1, val2 ..., val1/val2	<u>Divide</u> y = pop(); push(pop() / y);
rem	..., val1, val2 ..., val1%val2	<u>Remainder</u> y = pop(); push(pop() % y);
neg	..., val ..., -val	<u>Negate</u> push(-pop());
shl	..., val, x ..., val1	<u>Shift left</u> x = pop(); push(pop() << x);
shr	..., val, x ..., val1	<u>Shift right</u> x = pop(); push(pop() >> x);



Examples: Arithmetic Operations



	<i>code</i>	<i>bytes</i>	<i>stack</i>
x + y * 3	load0	1	x
	load1	1	x y
	const3	1	x y 3
	mul	1	x y*3
	add	1	x+y*3

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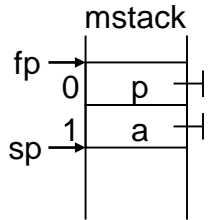


Object creation

new s, adr	<u>New object</u> allocate area of s words; initialize area to all 0; push(adr(area));
newarray b	..., n ..., adr	<u>New array</u> n = pop(); if (b == 0) allocate byte array with n elements (+ length word); else if (b == 1) allocate word array with n elements (+ length word); initialize array to all 0; store n as the first word of the array; push(adr(array));



Examples: Object Creation



Assume: $\text{size}(\text{Person}) = 4$ words

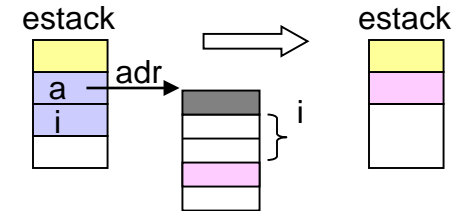
	<i>code</i>	<i>bytes</i>	<i>stack</i>
Person p = new Person;	new 4	3	p
	store0	1	-
int[] a = new int[5];	const5	1	5
	newarray 1	2	a
	store1	1	-

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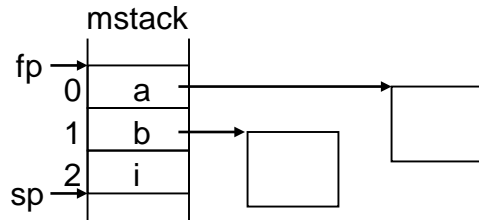


Array access

aload	..., adr, i ..., val	<u>Load array element</u> i = pop(); adr = pop(); push(heap[adr+1+i]);
astore	...,adr, i, val ...	<u>Store array element</u> val = pop(); i = pop(); adr = pop(); heap[adr+1+i] = val;
baload	..., adr, i ..., val	<u>Load byte array element</u> i = pop(); adr = pop(); x = heap[adr+1+i/4]; push(byte i%4 of x);
bastore	...,adr, i, val ...	<u>Store byte array element</u> val = pop(); i = pop(); adr = pop(); x = heap[adr+1+i/4]; set byte i%4 in x to val; heap[adr+1+i/4] = x;
arraylength	..., adr ..., len	<u>Get array length</u> adr = pop(); push(heap[adr]);



Example: Array Access



	<i>code</i>	<i>bytes</i>	<i>stack</i>
a[i] = b[i+1];	load0	1	a
	load2	1	a i
	load1	1	a i b
	load2	1	a i b i
	const1	1	a i b i 1
	add	1	a i b i+1
	aload	1	a i b[i+1]
	astore	1	-



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Stack manipulation

pop	..., val ...	<u>Remove topmost stack element</u> dummy = pop();
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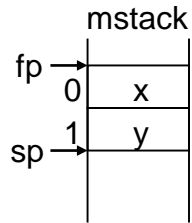
Jumps

jmp	s	<u>Jump unconditionally</u> pc = s;
j<cond>	s	..., x, y ...	<u>Jump conditionally</u> (eq,ne,lt,le,gt,ge) y = pop(); x = pop(); if (x cond y) pc = s;

jeq
jne
jlt
jle
jgt
jge



Example: Jumps



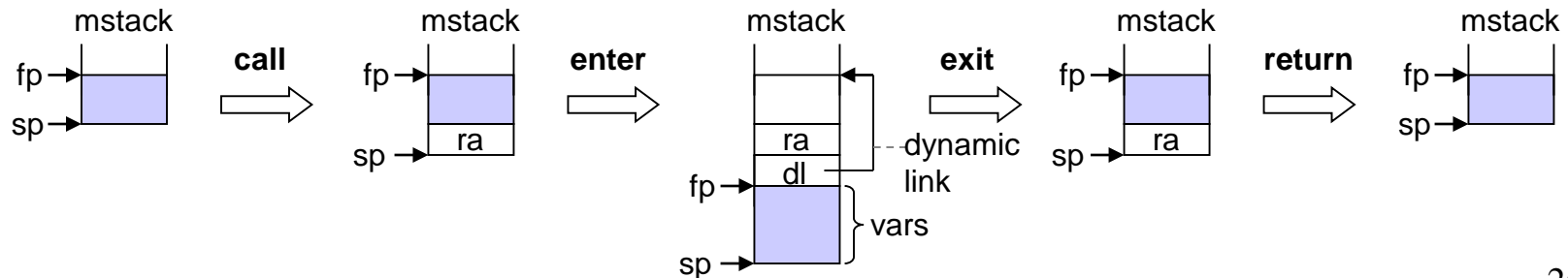
	<i>code</i>	<i>bytes</i>	<i>stack</i>
if (x > y) ...	load0	1	x
	load1	1	x y
	jle ...	3	-

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Method call

call	s	<u>Call method</u> PUSH(pc+3); pc = s;
enter	b1, b2	<u>Enter method</u> pars = b1; vars = b2; // in words PUSH(fp); fp = sp; sp = sp + vars; initialize frame to 0; for (i=pars-1; i>=0; i--) local[i] = pop();
exit		<u>Exit method</u> sp = fp; fp = POP();
return		<u>Return</u> pc = POP();

PUSH and POP work on *mstack*





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Input/output

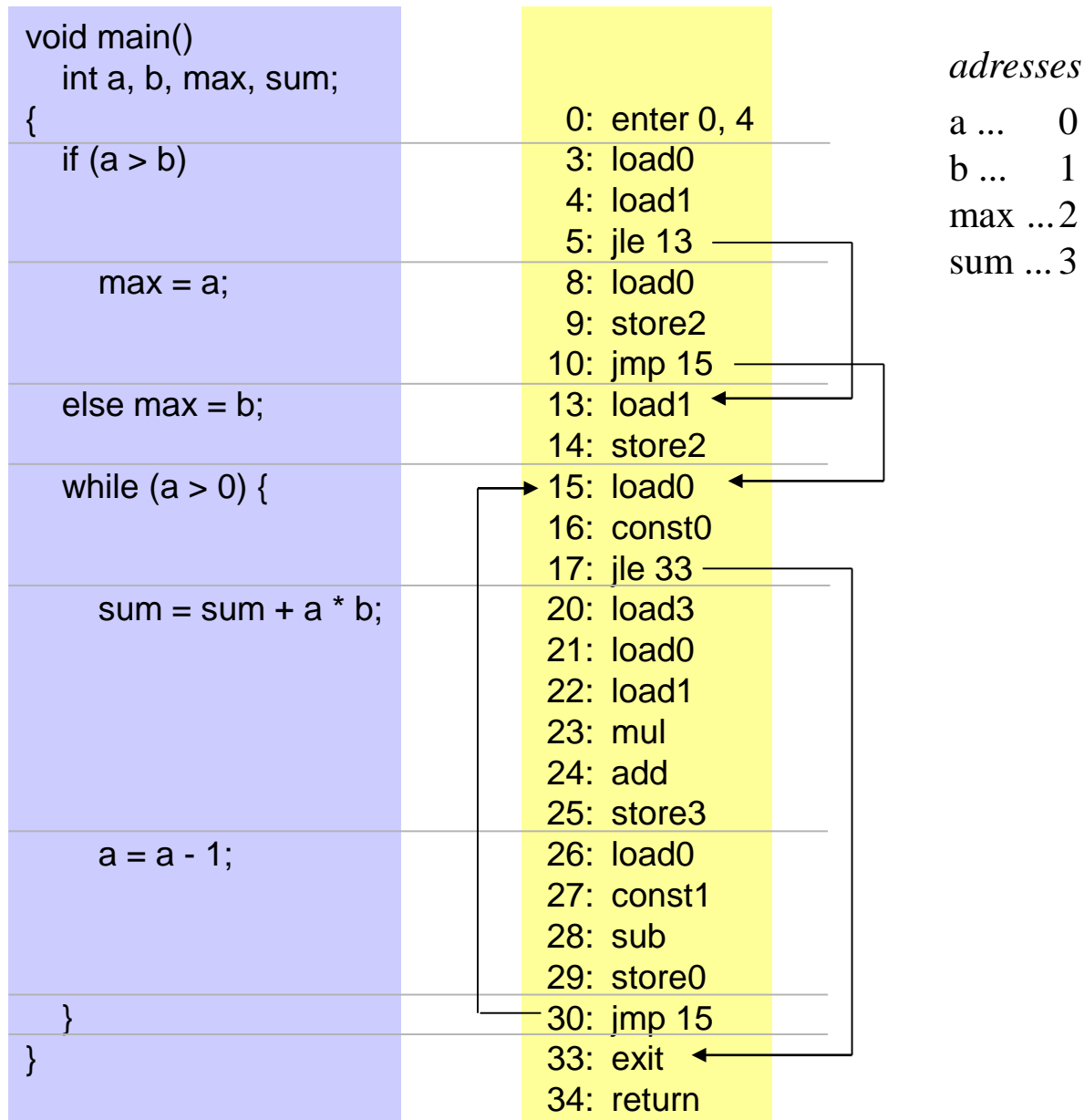
read, val	<u>Read</u> x = readInt(); push(x);
print	..., val, width ...	<u>Print</u> w = pop(); writeInt(pop(), w);
bread, val	<u>Read byte</u> ch = readChar(); push(ch);
bprint	..., val, width ...	<u>Print</u> w = pop(); writeChar(pop(), w);

input from System.in
output to System.out

Miscellaneous

trap	b	<u>Throw exception</u> print error message b; stop execution;
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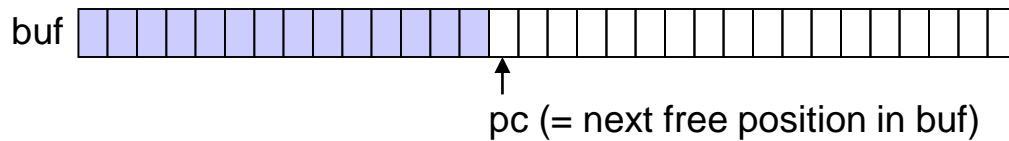
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Code Buffer



Data structure

byte array in memory, because some instructions have to be patched later.



Emitting instructions

simple, because MicroJava has a simple instruction format

```
class Code {  
    private static byte[] buf = new byte[3000];  
    public static int pc = 0;  
  
    public static void put (int x); {  
        buf[pc++] = (byte)x;  
    }  
    public static void put2 (int x) {  
        put(x >> 8); put(x);  
    }  
    public static void put4 (int x) {  
        put2(x >> 16); put2(x);  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

instruction codes are declared in class *Code*

```
static final int  
load = 1,  
load0 = 2,  
load1 = 3,  
load2 = 4,  
load3 = 5,  
store = 6,  
store0 = 7,  
store1 = 8,  
store2 = 9,  
store3 = 10,  
getstatic = 11,  
... ;
```

e.g., emitting *load 7*

```
Code.put(Code.load);  
Code.put(7);
```

e.g.: emitting *load2*

```
Code.put(Code.load0 + 2);
```

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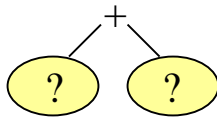
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Operands During Code Generation



Example

we want to add two values



desired code pattern

```
load operand 1  
load operand 2  
add
```

} how should that be done?

Depending on the operand kind we must generate different load instructions

<i>operand kind</i>	<i>instruction to be generated</i>
• constant	const val
• local variable	load a
• global variable	getstatic a
• object field	getfield a
• array element	aload
• loaded value on the stack	---

We need a descriptor, which gives us all the necessary information about operands

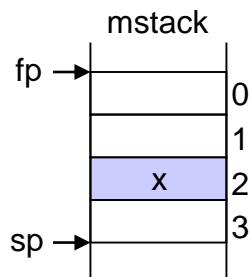
Operand Descriptors



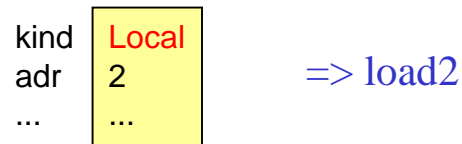
Descriptors holding information about variables, constants and expressions

Example

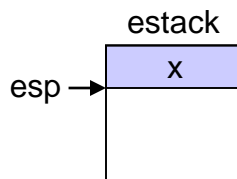
Local variable x in a stack frame



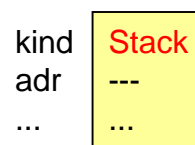
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After loading the value with *load2* it is on *estack* now



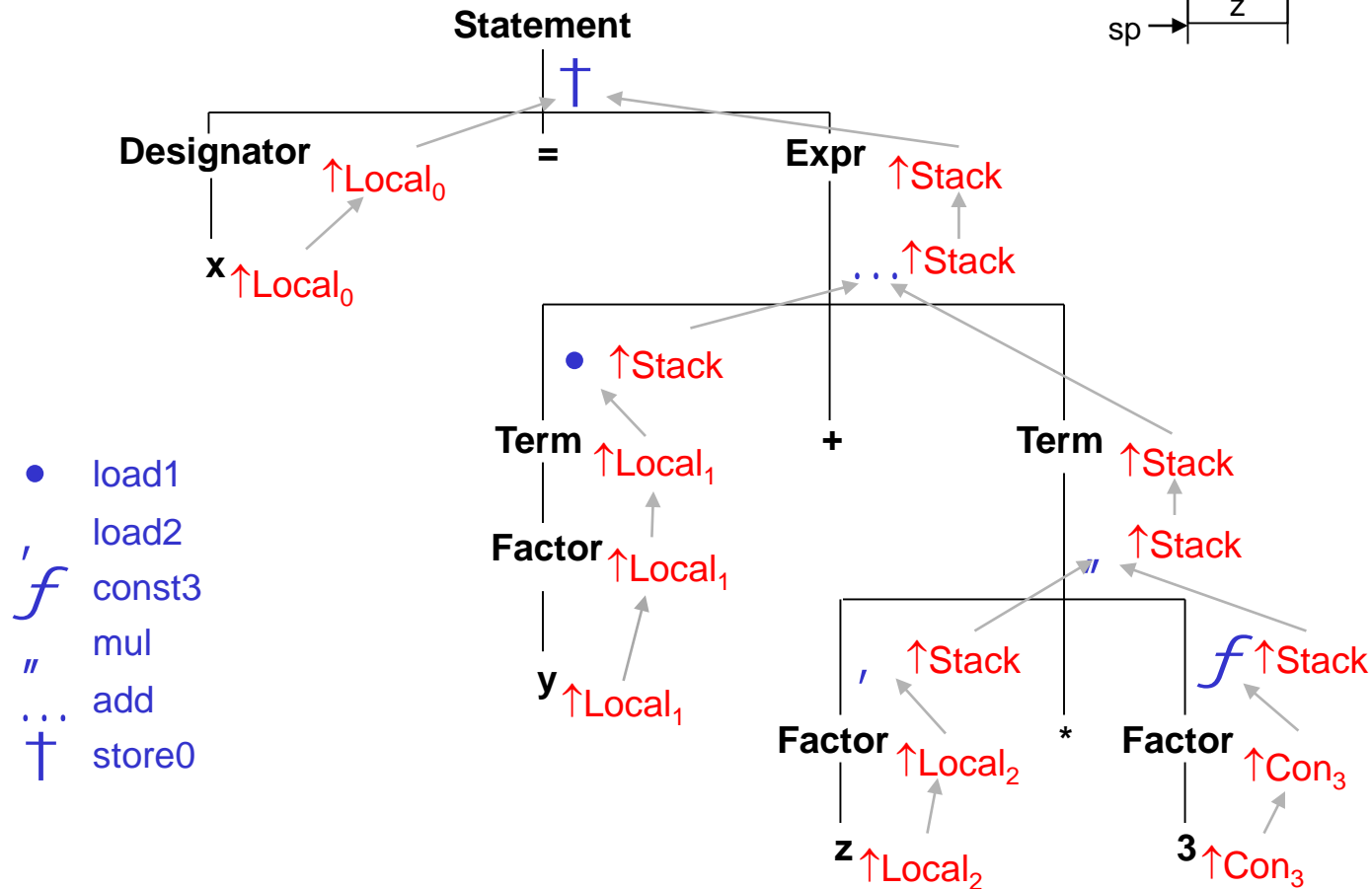
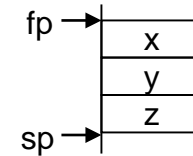
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Example: Processing of Operands

Most parsing methods return operands (as a result of their translation process)

Example: translating the assignment `x = y + z * 3;`



Operand Kinds



<i>operand kind</i>	<i>operand code</i>	<i>info about operands</i>	
constant	Con = 0	constant value	
local variable	Local = 1	address	<p>A diagram showing a stack frame. A pointer 'fp' points to the top of a stack. The stack contains three cells, with the bottom one shaded blue. A bracket on the right labels the entire stack as 'adr'.</p>
global variable	Static = 2	address	<p>A diagram showing a block of memory labeled 'data'. It contains three cells, with the bottom one shaded blue. A bracket on the right labels the entire block as 'adr'.</p>
value on the stack	Stack = 3	---	<p>A diagram showing a stack labeled 'estack'. A pointer 'esp' points to the top of a stack containing three cells, with the middle one shaded blue.</p>
object field	Fld = 4	offset	<p>A diagram showing a stack labeled 'estack'. A pointer 'esp' points to the top of a stack containing three cells, with the middle one shaded pink and labeled 'adr'. An arrow points from 'adr' to a separate stack of three cells, with the bottom one shaded blue. A bracket on the right labels this stack as 'offset'.</p>
array element	Elem = 5	---	<p>A diagram showing a stack labeled 'estack'. A pointer 'esp' points to the top of a stack containing three cells, with the middle one shaded pink and labeled 'idx'. An arrow points from 'idx' to a separate stack of three cells, with the top one labeled 'len' and the bottom one shaded blue. A bracket on the right labels this stack as 'idx'.</p>
method	Meth = 6	address, method obj.	

Class Operand



```
class Operand {
    static final int Con = 0, Local = 1, Static = 2, Stack = 3, Fld = 4, Elem = 5, Meth = 6;

    int    kind;    // Con, Local, Static, ...
    Struct type;    // type of the operand
    int    val;     // Con: constant value
    int    adr;     // Local, Static, Fld, Meth: address
    Obj    obj;     // Meth: method object
}
```

Constructors for creating operands

```
public Operand (Obj obj) {
    type = obj.type; val = obj.val; adr = obj.adr;
    switch (obj.kind) {
        case Obj.Con:    kind = Con; break;
        case Obj.Var:    if (obj.level == 0) kind = Static; else kind = Local;
                        break;
        case Obj.Meth:   kind = Meth; this.obj = obj; break;
        default:         error("cannot create operand");
    }
}
```

creates an operand from
a symbol table object

```
public Operand (int val) {
    kind = Con; type = Tab.intType; this.val = val;
}
```

creates an operand from
a constant value



Loading Values

given: a value described by an operand descriptor (Con, Local, Static, ...)

wanted: code that loads the value onto the expression stack

```
public static void load (Operand x) { // method of class Code
  switch (x.kind) {
    case Operand.Con:
      if (0 <= x.val && x.val <= 5) put(const0 + x.val);
      else if (x.val == -1) put(const_m1);
      else { put(const_); put4(x.val); }
      break;
    case Operand.Static:
      put(getstatic); put2(x.adr); break;
    case Operand.Local:
      if (0 <= x.adr && x.adr <= 3) put(load0 + x.adr);
      else { put(load); put(x.adr); }
      break;
    case Operand.Fld: // assert: object base address is on the stack
      put(getfield); put2(x.adr); break;
    case Operand.Elem: // assert: base address and index are on stack
      if (x.type == Tab.charType) put(baload); else put(aload);
      break;
    case Operand.Stack: break; // nothing (already loaded)
    default: error("cannot load this value");
  }
  x.kind = Operand.Stack;
}
```

Case analysis

depending on the operand kind we have to generate different load instructions

resulting operand is always a *Stack* operand

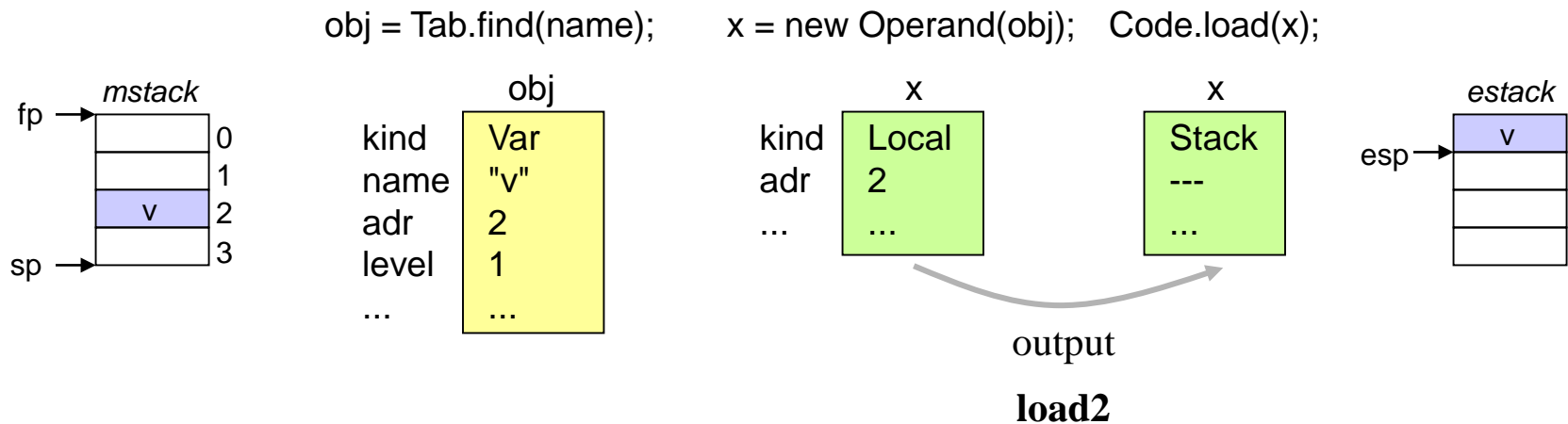
Example: Loading Variables

Description by an ATG

```

Factor <↑x>      (. String name; .)
= ident <↑name> (. Obj obj = Tab.find(name);      // obj.kind = Var | Con
                Operand x = new Operand(obj);    // x.kind = Local | Static | Con
                Code.load(x);                    // x.kind = Stack
                .) .
  
```

Visualisation



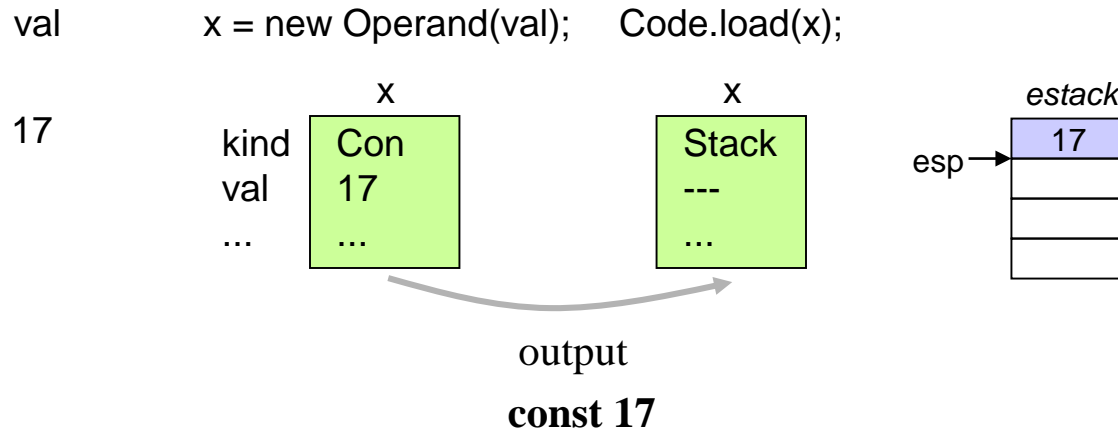
Example: Loading Constants

Description by an ATG

```

Factor <↑x>      (. int val; .)
= number <↑val>  (. Operand x = new Operand(val); // x.kind = Con
                  Code.load(x);                 // x.kind = Stack
                  .)
  
```

Visualisation



Loading Object Fields

var.f

Context conditions (make sure that your compiler checks them)

Designator₀ = Designator₁ "." ident .

- The type of *Designator*₁ must be a class.
- *ident* must be a field of *Designator*₁.

Description by an ATG

```

Designator <↑x>      (. String name, fName; .)
= ident <↑name>      (. Obj obj = Tab.find(name);
                    Operand x = new Operand(obj); .)
{ "." ident <↑fName>  (. if (x.type.kind == Struct.Class) {
                    Code.load(x);
                    Obj fld = Tab.findField(fName, x.type);
                    x.kind = Operand.Fld;
                    x.adr = fld.adr;
                    x.type = fld.type;
                    } else error(name + " is not an object"); .)

| ...
}.

```

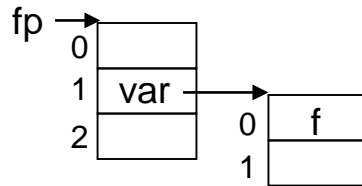
looks up *fName* in the field list of *x.type*

creates a *Fld* operand

Operand Sequence

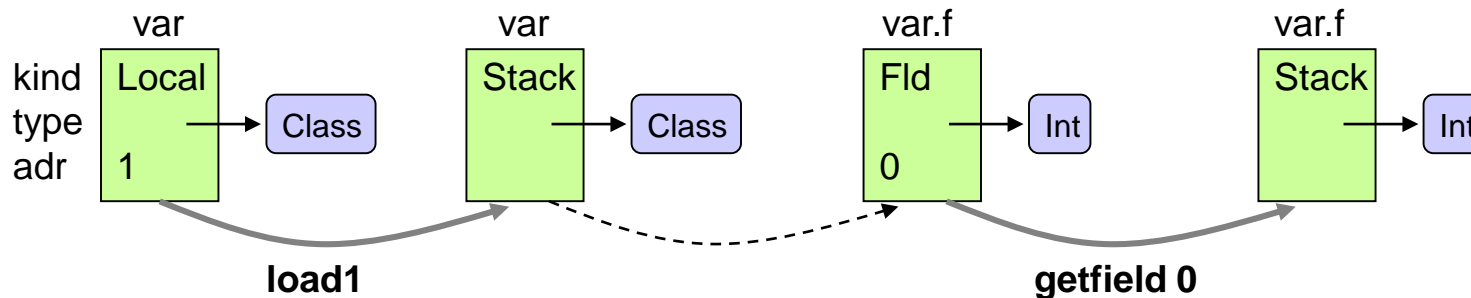


var.f



```

Designator <↑x>
= ident <↑name>
    { "." ident <↑fName>
    (. String name, fName; .)
    (. Obj obj = Tab.find(name);
      Operand x = new Operand(obj); .)
    (. if (x.type.kind == Struct.Class) {
        Code.load(x);
        obj = Tab.findField(fName, x.type);
        x.kind = Operand.Fld;
        x.adr = obj.adr;
        x.type = obj.type;
      } else error(name + " is not an object"); .)
    | ...
    }.
    
```



Loading Array Elements

a[i]

Context conditions

$Designator_0 = Designator_1 \text{ "[" Expr "]" } .$

- The type of $Designator_1$ must be an array.
- The type of $Expr$ must be *int*.

Description by an ATG

```

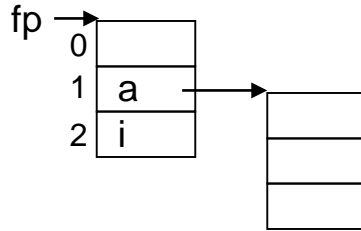
Designator <↑x>      (. String name; Operand x, y; .)
= ident <↑name>      (. Obj obj = Tab.find(name); x = new Operand(obj); .)
{ ...
| "["              (. Code.load(x); .)
  Expr <↑y>       (. if (x.type.kind == Struct.Arr) {
                    if (y.type != Tab.intType) error("index must be of type int");
                    Code.load(y);
                    x.kind = Operand.Elem; ← creates an Elem operand
                    x.type = x.type.elemType;
                    } else error(name + " is not an array"); .)
  "]"
}.

```

Operand Sequence



a[i]



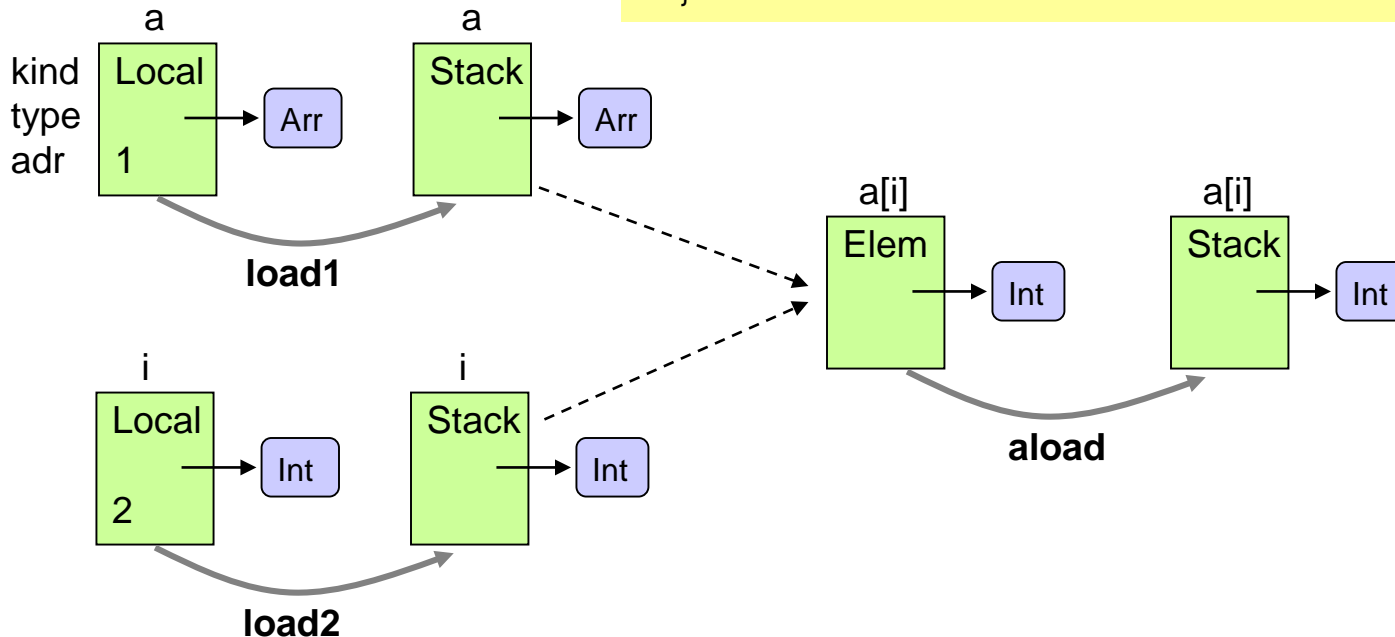
```

Designator <↑x>
= ident <↑name>
{
  ...
  | "["
  Expr <↑y>
}

(. String name; Operand x, y; .)
(. Obj obj = Tab.find(name); x = new Operand(obj); .)

(. Code.load(x); .)
(. if (x.type.kind == Struct.Arr) {
  if (y.type.kind != Struct.Int)
    error("index must be of type int");
  Code.load(y);
  x.kind = Operand.Elem;
  x.type = x.type.elemType;
} else error(name + " is not an array"); .)

"]"
}.
    
```



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Compiling Expressions



Scheme for $x + y + z$

```
load x
load y
add
load z
add
```

Context conditions

Expr = "-" Term.

- *Term* must be of type *int*.

Expr₀ = Expr₁ Addop Term.

- *Expr₁* and *Term* must be of type *int*.

Description by an ATG

```
Expr <↑x>      (. Operand x, y; int op; .)
= ( Term <↑x>
  | "-" Term <↑x>
  )
  (. if (x.type != Tab.intType) error("operand must be of type int");
   if (x.kind == Operand.Con) x.val = -x.val;
   else {
     Code.load(x); Code.put(Code.neg);
   } .)
{ ( "+"          (. op = Code.add; .)
  | "-"          (. op = Code.sub; .)
  )
  Term <↑y>      (. Code.load(x); .)
                (. Code.load(y);
                 if (x.type != Tab.intType || y.type != Tab.intType)
                   error("operands must be of type int");
                 Code.put(op); .)
}.
```

Compiling Terms

Term₀ = Term₁ Mulop Factor.

- Term₁ and Factor must be of type *int*.

```

Term <↑x>      (. Operand x, y; int op; .)
= Factor <↑x>
  { ( "*"        (. op = Code.mul; .)
    | "/"        (. op = Code.div; .)
    | "%"        (. op = Code.rem; .)
    )           (. Code.load(x); .)
    Factor <↑y> (. Code.load(y);
                  if (x.type != Tab.intType || y.type != Tab.intType)
                      error("operands must be of type int");
                  Code.put(op); .)
  }.

```

Compiling Factors



Factor = "new" ident.

- *ident* must denote a class.

Factor = "new" ident "[" Expr "]".

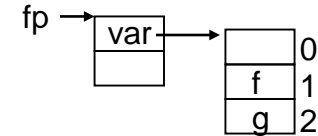
- *ident* must denote a type.
- The type of *Expr* must be *int*.

```
Factor <↑x>      (. Operand x; int val; String name; .)
= Designator <↑x> // function calls see later
| number <↑val>    (. x = new Operand(val); .)
| charCon <↑val>  (. x = new Operand(val); x.type = Tab.charType; .)
| "(" Expr <↑x> ")"
| "new" ident <↑name> (. Obj obj = Tab.find(name); Struct type = obj.type; .)
( "["
  Expr <↑x> "]"
  (. if (obj.kind != Obj.Type) error("type expected"); .)
  (. if (x.type != Tab.intType) error("array size must be of type int");
    Code.load(x);
    Code.put(Code.newarray);
    if (type == Tab.charType) Code.put(0); else Code.put(1);
    type = new Struct(Struct.Arr, type); .)
|
  (. if (obj.kind != Obj.Type || type.kind != Struct.Class)
    error("class type expected");
    Code.put(Code.new_); Code.put2(type.nFields);
)
)
(. x = new Operand(Operand.Stack, 0, type); .)
.
```

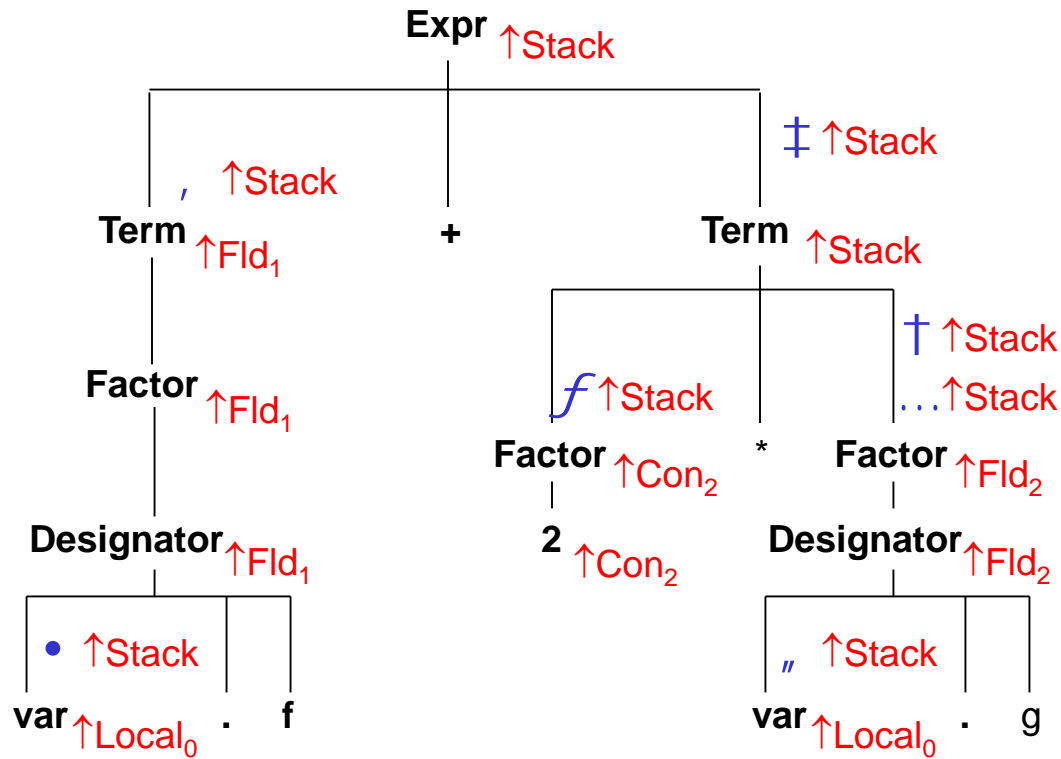
Example



var.f + 2 * var.g



- load0
- , getfield 1
- f* const2
- " load0
- ... getfield 2
- † mul
- ‡ add



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Code Patterns for Assignments

```
designator = expr ;
```

4 cases depending on the kind of the designator on the left-hand side

<code>localVar = expr;</code>	<code>globalVar = expr;</code>	<code>obj.f = expr;</code>	<code>a[i] = expr;</code>
<pre>... load expr ... store adr_{localVar}</pre>	<pre>... load expr ... putstatic adr_{globalVar}</pre>	<pre>load obj ... load expr ... putfield adr_f</pre>	<pre>load a load i ... load expr ... astore</pre>

the blue instructions are already generated by *Designator!*

Compiling Assignments

Context condition

Statement = Designator "=" Expr ";".

- *Designator* must denote a variable, an array element or an object field.
- The type of *Expr* must be assignment compatible with the type of *Designator*.

Description by an ATG

```

Assignment      (. Operand x, y; .)
= Designator <↑x> // this call may already generate code
  "=" Expr <↑y>   (. if (y.type.assignableTo(x.type))
                  Code.load(y);
                  Code.assignTo(x); // x: Local | Static | Fld | Elem
                  else
                  error("incompatible types in assignment");
                  .)
" ; "

```

Assignment compatibility

y is assignment compatible with *x*

- if *x* and *y* have the same type ($x.type == y.type$), or
- *x* and *y* are arrays with the same element type, or
- *x* has a reference type (class or array) and *y* is *null*

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Conditional and Unconditional Jumps



Unconditional jumps

```
jmp address
```

Conditional jumps

```
... load operand1 ...  
... load operand2 ...  
jeq address
```

if (operand1 == operand2) jmp address

jeq	jump on equal
jne	jump on not equal
jlt	jump on less than
jle	jump on less or equal
jgt	jump on greater than
jge	jump on greater or equal

```
static final int  
    eq = 0,  
    ne = 1,  
    lt = 2,  
    le = 3,  
    gt = 4,  
    ge = 5;
```

in class *Code*

Creation of jump instructions

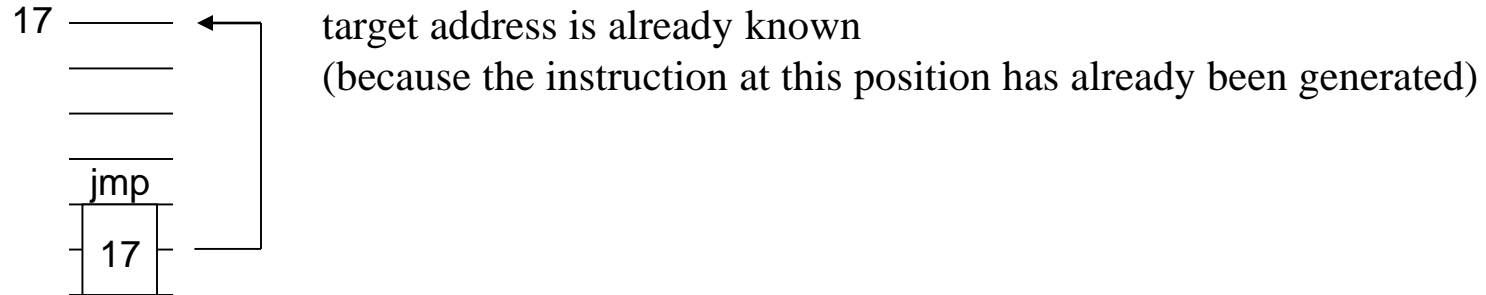
```
Code.put(Code.jump);  
Code.put2(address);
```

```
Code.put(Code.jeq + operator);  
Code.put2(address);
```

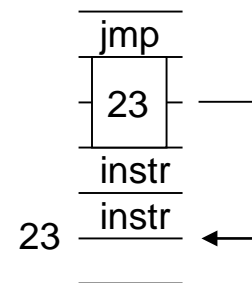
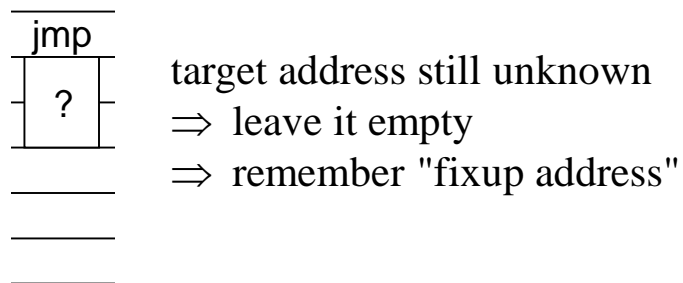


Forward and Backward Jumps

Backward jumps



Forward jumps



patch it when the target address becomes known (fixup)

Conditions

Conditions

if (a > b) ...

Condition

code pattern

```

load a
load b } Condition ↑ >
jle ...

```

- Problem: the μ JVM has no compare instructions
 \Rightarrow *Condition* cannot generate a compare operation
- therefore, *Condition* has to return the compare operator;
 the comparison is then done in the jump instruction

```

Condition <↑op>      (. int op; Operand x, y; .)
= Expr <↑x>           (. Code.load(x); .)
  Relop <↑op>
  Expr <↑y>           (. Code.load(y);
                      if (!x.type.compatibleWith(y.type)) error("type mismatch");
                      if (x.type.isRefType() && op != Code.eq && op != Code.ne)
                        error("invalid compare"); .)

```



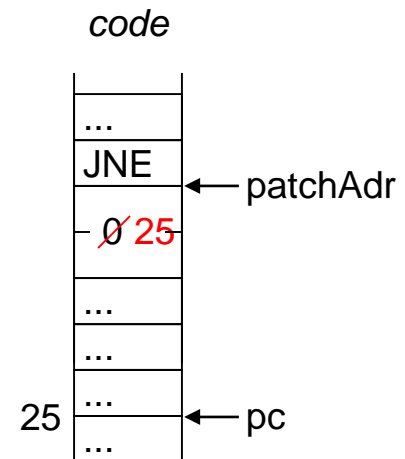
Methods for Generating Jumps

```
class Code {
  private static final int
    eq = 0, ne = 1, lt = 2, le = 3, gt = 4, ge = 5;
  private static int[] inverse = {ne, eq, ge, gt, le, lt};
  ...
  // generate an unconditional jump to adr
  void putJump (int adr) {
    put(jmp); put2(adr);
  }

  // generate a conditional false jump (jump if not op)
  void putFalseJump (int op, int adr) {
    put(jeq + inverse[op]); put2(adr);
  }

  // patch the jump address at adr so that it leads to pc
  void fixup (int patchAdr) {
    put2(patchAdr, pc);
  }
}
```

new method of class Code



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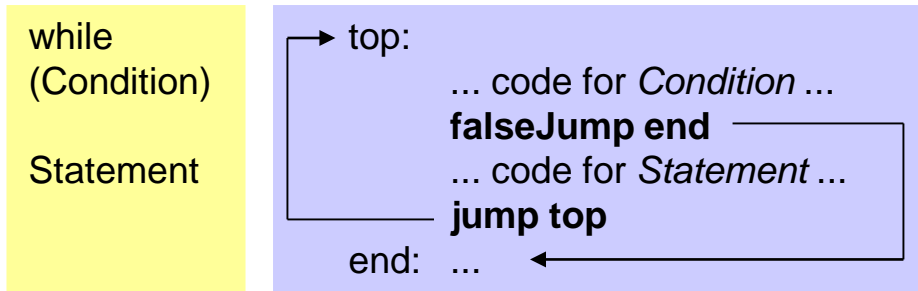
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while Statement

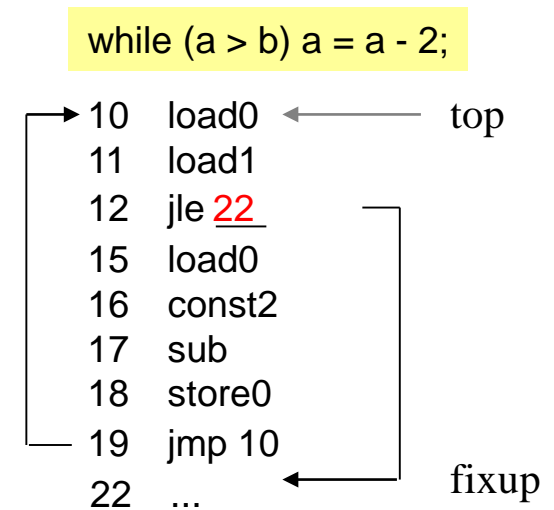
Desired code pattern



Description by an ATG

WhileStatement = "while" "(" Condition <↑op> ")" Statement .	<pre> (. int op; .) (. int top = Code.pc .) (. Code.putFalseJump(op, 0); int adr = Code.pc - 2; .) (. Code.putJump(top); Code.fixup(adr); .) </pre>
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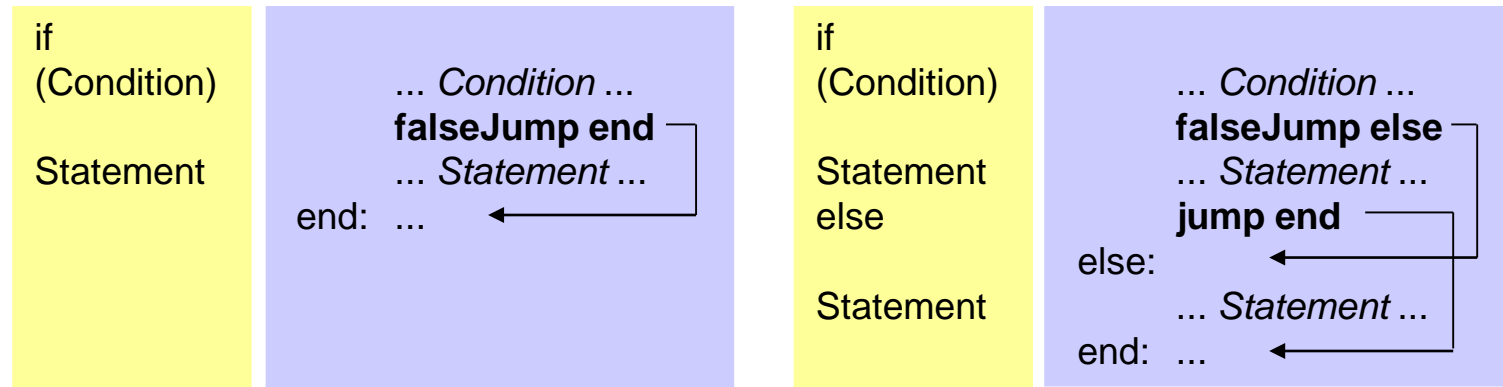
Example



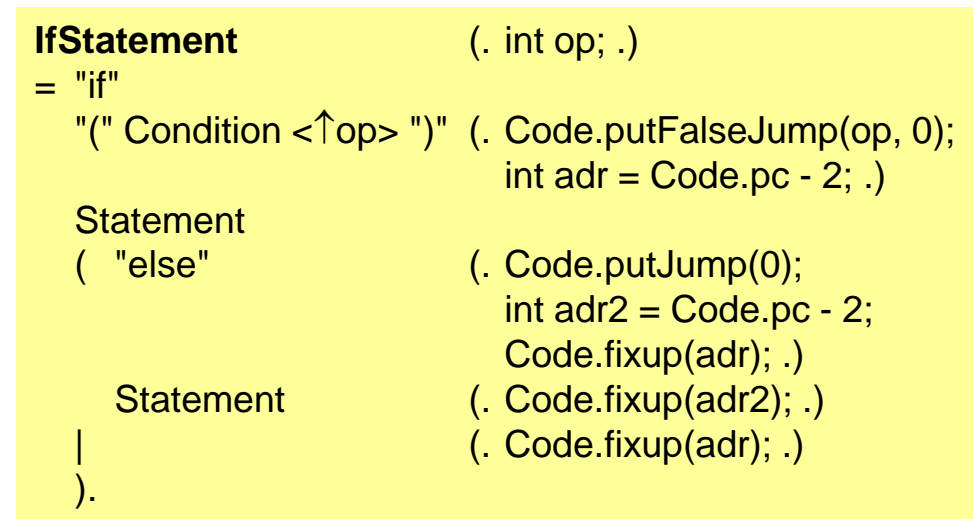
if Statement



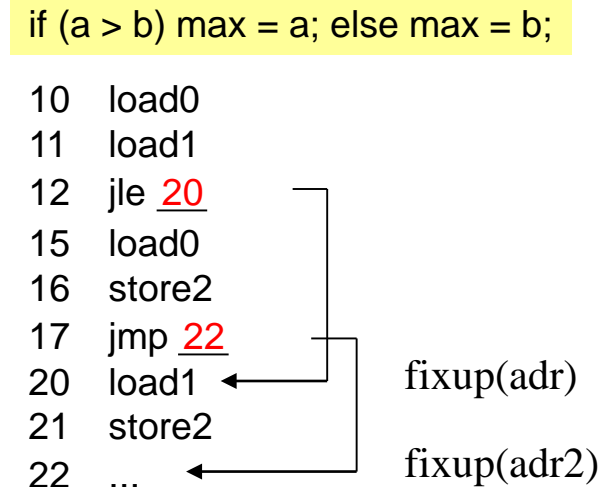
Desired code pattern



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Example



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Procedure Call

Code pattern

m(a, b);	load a	parameters are passed on the <i>estack</i>
	load b	
	call m	

Description by an ATG

Statement	(. Operand x, y;)
= Designator <↑x>	
(ActPars <↓x>	(. Code.put(Code.call);
	Code.put2(x.adr);
	if (x.type != Tab.noType) Code.put(Code.pop); .)
"=" Expr <↑y> ";"	(.)
)	
... .	



Function Call

Code pattern

```
c = m(a, b);
```

load a parameters are passed on the *estack*
load b
call m
store c function value is returned on the *estack*

Standard functions

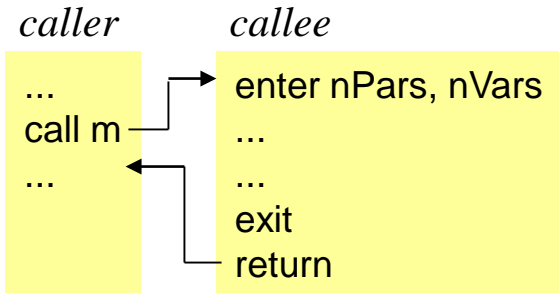
- ord('a')
- *ActPars* loads 'a' onto the *estack*
- the loaded value gets the type of *ordObj* (= *intType*) and *kind* = *Operand.Stack*

Description by an ATG

```
Factor <↑x>      (. Operand x, m; .)
= Designator <↑x>
  [ ActPars <↓x>  (. if (x.type == Tab.noType) error("procedure called as a function");
                  if (x.obj == Tab.ordObj || x.obj == Tab.chrObj) ; // nothing
                  else if (x.obj == Tab.lenObj)
                    Code.put(Code.arraylength);
                  else {
                    Code.put(Code.call);
                    Code.put2(x.adr);
                  }
                  x.kind = Operand.Stack; .)

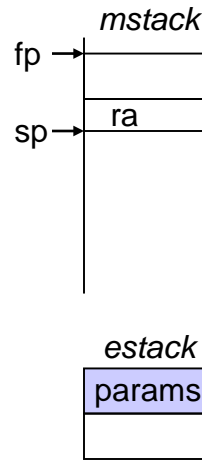
]
| ... .
```

Stack Frames



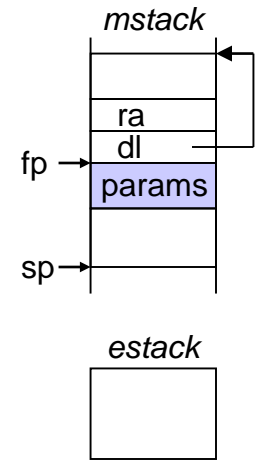
enter ... creates a stack frame
exit ... removes a stack frame

Method entry

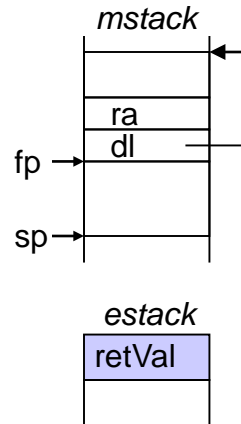


enter nPars, nVars

```
PUSH(fp); // dynamic link
fp = sp;
sp = sp + nVars;
initialize frame to 0;
for (i=nPars-1; i>=0; i--)
    local[i] = pop();
```

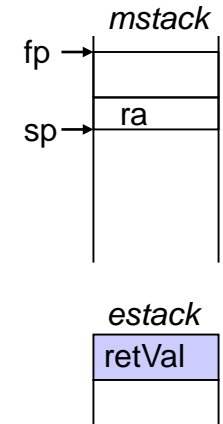


Method exit



exit

```
sp = fp;
fp = POP();
```



Method Declaration



```
MethodDecl      (. Struct type; String name; int n; .)
= ( Type <↑type> (. if (type.isRefType()) error("methods may only return int or char"); .)
  | "void"      (. type = Tab.noType; .)
  )
  ident <↑name>  (. curMethod = Tab.insert(Obj.Meth, name, type);
                Tab.openScope(); .)
  "(" FormPars <↑n> ")" (. curMethod.nPars = n;
                          if (name.equals("main")) {
                              Code.mainPc = Code.pc;
                              if (curMethod.type != Tab.noType) error("method main must be void");
                              if (curMethod.nPars != 0) error("main must not have parameters");
                          } .)
  { VarDecl }   (. curMethod.locals = Tab.curScope.locals;
                  curMethod.adr = Code.pc;
                  Code.put(Code.enter);
                  Code.put(curMethod.nPars);
                  Code.put(Tab.curScope.nVars); .)
  Block        (. if (curMethod.type == Tab.noType) {
                  Code.put(Code.exit);
                  Code.put(Code.return_);
                } else { // end of function reached without a return statement
                  Code.put(Code.trap); Code.put(1);
                }
                Tab.closeScope(); .)
  .
```

Formal Parameters

- are entered into the symbol table (as variables of the method scope)
- their number is counted

```
FormPars <↑n>      (. int n = 0; .)
= [  FormPar      (. n++; .)
    { ", " FormPar (. n++; .)
      }
  ].
```

```
FormPar           (. Struct type; String name; .)
= Type <↑type>
  ident <↑name>    (. Tab.insert(Obj.Var, name, type); .)
  .
```


Actual Parameters

- load them to *estack*
- check if they are assignment compatible with the formal parameters
- check if the numbers of actual and formal parameters match

```

ActPars <↓m>      (. Operand m, ap; .)
= "("              (. if (m.kind != Operand.Meth) { error("not a method"); m.obj = Tab.noObj; } .)
                   int aPars = 0;
                   int fPars = m.obj.nPars;
                   Obj fp = m.obj.locals; .)

  [ Expr <↑ap>      (. Code.load(ap); aPars++;
                   if (fp != null) {
                       if (!ap.type.assignableTo(fp.type)) error("parameter type mismatch");
                       fp = fp.next;
                   } .)

    {" , " Expr <↑ap> (. Code.load(ap); aPars++;
                       if (fp != null) {
                           if (!ap.type.assignableTo(fp.type)) error("parameter type mismatch");
                           fp = fp.next;
                       } .)

  }

]                  (. if (aPars > fPars)
                   error("too many actual parameters");
                   else if (aPars < fPars)
                       error("too few actual parameters"); .)

)" .

```

return Statement

Statement

```

= ...
| "return"
  ( Expr <↑x>      (. Code.load(x);
                    if (curMethod.type == Tab.noType)
                      error("void method must not return a value");
                    else if (!x.type.assignableTo(curMethod.type))
                      error("type of return value must match method type");
                    .)
  |                (. if (curMethod.type != Tab.noType) error("return value expected"); .)
  )                (. Code.put(Code.exit);
                    Code.put(Code.return_); .)
  ", "
  ; .

```



Object File

Contents of the object file in MicroJava

- information for the loader
 - code size (in bytes)
 - size of the global data area (in words)
 - address of the *main* method
- code

0	"MJ"
2	codeSize
6	dataSize
10	mainPc
14	code

The object file format in other languages is usually much more complex.



What you should do in the lab

1. Create a new package *MJ.CodeGen*.
2. Download the files *Code.java*, *Operand.java* and *Decoder.java* into this package.
3. Complete the skeleton file *Code.java* according to the slides of the course.
4. Add semantic actions to *Parser.java*. These actions should call the methods of *Code.java* and *Operand.java* as shown on the slides.
Start with the actions for designators (e.g. *obj.f* and *arr[i]*), and continue with the semantic actions for expressions, assignments, if statements, while statements and method calls. Note that most context conditions from Appendix A.4 have to be checked here as well.
5. Download the file *Compiler.java* into the package *MJ*. This is the main program of your compiler that replaces *TestParser.java*. Compile it and run it on *sample.mj*. This should produce a file *sample.obj* with the compiled program.
6. Download *BuggySemanticInput.mj* and check if your compiler detects all semantic errors in this MicroJava program.

To run your compiled MicroJava programs download the file *Run.java* (i.e. the MicroJava Virtual Machine) into the package *MJ* and compile it. You can invoke it with

```
java MJ.Run sample.obj [-debug]
```

You can decode a compiled MicroJava program by downloading the file *Decode.java* to the package *MJ* and compiling it. You can invoke it with

```
java MJ.Decode sample.obj
```