

Compilation as Rewriting in Higher Order Logic

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Abstract.

be isolated clearly and specified as term rewrites, making it easy to construct a "new" certified compiler by applying the rewrites in a different order. The

2. *Prove Dynamically.* A per-run correctness check is performed. The result of a rewrite is verified each time it is applied to a program.

The format of a rewrite rule is [name] redex contractum P. It specifies an expression that matches the redex can be replaced with the contractum provided that the side condition

contain boolean constants true and false ; then apply rewrite rules based on the de Morgan theorems to moving negations in over the connectives (conjunction, disjunction and conditional expressions). Meanwhile the decision procedure for formulas of Presburger arithmetic is called to simplify and normalize arithmetic expressions (this is essentially a proof-based implementation of *constant folding*).

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In order to avoid unnecessary let-expression insertion in subsequent phases, during this transformation we rewrite an expression e to atom e , where atom = $x.x$

the same names in the inlining function and inlined function, no problem will be incurred during substitution since the logical framework will capture program scope and rename variables automatically. For a recursive function, we avoid code explosion by expanding its body for only a certain number of times. The expression obtained from inline expansion is further simplified by applying other transformations such as the let-expression simplifications and constant folding until no more simplifications can be made.

[fun_intro]	let $v = \lambda x. e_1[x]$ in $e_2[v]$ size $e_1 < t$	let $v = \text{fun } (\lambda x. e_1[x])$ in $e_2[v]$
[unroll_rec]	let $f = \text{fun } e_1[f]$ in $e_2[f]$ size $e_1 < t$	let $f = \text{fun } (e_1[e_1[f]])$ in $e_2[f]$
[inline_expand]	let $f = \text{fun } e_1$ in $e_2[f]$	$e_2[e_1]$

3.4 Closure Conversion

4 Code Generation

After the transformations in Section 3 are over, a source program has been converted into equivalent form that is much closer to assembly code. This form, with syntax shown in Fig.4, is called Functional Intermediate Language (FIL).

$x ::= r / m / i$	register variable, memory variable and integer
$y ::= r / i$	register variable and integer
$v ::= r / mm$	

Based on the basic rules, we derive some advanced rules for more complicated control flow structures such as conditional jumps, tail recursions and function calls:

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l_1 \text{ pre } l_2 \quad (w_2, w_1) \quad l_2 \text{ S } l_3 \quad (f \ w_1, v_1) \text{ seq}
}{l_1 \text{ pre } S \ l_3 \quad (\text{let } w_1 = w_2 \text{ in } f \ w_1, v_1)}
{l_3 \text{ post } l_4 \quad (v_1, v_2)}
}{l_1 \text{ pre } S \ \text{post } l_4 \quad (\text{let } v_1 = (\text{let } w_1 = w_2 \text{ in } f \ w_1) \text{ in } v_1, v_2)} \text{ seq}
}{l_1 \text{ pre } S \ \text{post } l_4 \quad (f \ w_2, v_2)} \text{ let_def}$$

6. John Hannan and Frank Pfenning, *Compiler verification in LF*, Proceedings of the