

Project 6: Instruction Selection

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Implement instruction selection for the MIPS architecture using Maximal Munch as described on pp. 197–200. You only need to modify class `Mips.Codegen`.

Environment and Support Files

For working on this project, change the environment variable `PROG` in your `.bashrc` file to `chap9`. There are two sets of support files. The code for canonicalizing the intermediate code trees is in `/${TIGER}/chap8`. The support files for instruction selection are in `/${TIGER}/chap9`. Copy the files for `chap8` first, as some of the files will be overwritten by the files for `chap9`.

There are some updates to the files in the `Frame` and `Mips` packages. The `Canon` package contains all the code for canonicalizing the intermediate code. Package `Assem` contains the abstract assembly instructions.

I made copies of all the class files and the modified source files available for Windoze users as for the previous lab to resolve the name clash between `Tree.Exp` and `Tree.EXP`.

Compilation

Since we don't use any non-Java source files anymore, it's easiest to use `'javac -g *.java'` manually for compiling.

For running the compiler, you will now use:

```
java Main.Main test.tig
```

This will produce a file `test.s` containing the various forms of intermediate code: before canonicalization, after canonicalization, after locating basic blocks, after scheduling these blocks, and finally the instructions selected.

For allocating registers and generating runnable assembly code, set the environment variable `PROG` to `chap11`. The generated file `test.s` will then only contain the finished assembly code (provided you don't use your own copy of `Main.Main`).

You can run your code on the MIPS simulator `SPIM`. Make sure you have the file `exceptions.s` in your working directory, start `xspim` (or `spim`), load the generated assembly file, and run it. `SPIM` is installed in `/soft/spim-7.1/` on `byte`.

Submission

Since there are only two files to modify, you can either submit them individually, or you could submit the entire working directory structure:

```
cd prog6; rm */*.class; ~cs435100/bin/r_copy 6
```

In the README file, provide any information that will help the grader to give you partial credit. Explain what's implemented and what's not. Explain important design decisions in your code.