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软件分析

Static Program Analysis

Intermediate Representation

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AST vs. IR



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- high-level and closed to grammar structure
- AST usually language dependent
 - suitable for fast type checking
 - lack of control flow information
 - low-level and closed to machine code
 - usually language independent
 - IR compact and uniform
 - contains control flow information
 - usually considered as the basis for static analysis



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Each type of instructions has its own 3AC form

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- x = y
- goto L
- if x goto L
- if x *rop* y goto L

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Let's see some more real-world complicated forms

Soot and Its IR: Jimple

Soot

Most popular static analysis framework for Java

https://github.com/Sable/soot

https://github.com/Sable/soot/wiki/Tutorials

Soot's IR is Jimple: typed 3-address code

```
package nju.sa.examples;
public class DoWhileLoop3AC {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int[] arr = new int[10];
        int i = 0;
        do {
            <u>i</u> = i + 1;
        } while (arr[i] < 10);
        }
        Java Src
}
```



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Do-While Loop
```

public static void main(java.lang.String[])

```
java.lang.String[] r0;
int[] r1;
int $i0, i1;
```

```
r0 := @parameter0: java.lang.String[];
```

```
r1 = newarray (int)[10];
```

```
i1 = 0;
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}

```
label1:
i1 = i1 + 1;
```

```
i0 = r1[i1];
```

if \$i0 < 10 goto label1;</pre>

3AC(jimple)

```
package nju.sa.examples;
public class MethodCall3AC {
    String foo(String para1, String para2) {
       return para1 + " " + para2;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
       MethodCall3AC mc = new MethodCall3AC();
       String result = mc.foo("hello", "world");
```

Java Src

Method Call

}

java.lang.String foo(java.lang.String, java.lang.String

nju.sa.examples.MethodCall3AC r0; java.lang.String r1, r2, \$r7; java.lang.StringBuilder \$r3, \$r4, \$r5, \$r6;

r0 := @this: nju.sa.examples.MethodCall3AC;

r1 := @parameter0: java.lang.String;

r2 := @parameter1: java.lang.String;

\$r3 = new java.lang.StringBuilder;



Java Src



specialinvoke \$r3.<java.lang.StringBuilder: void <init>()>();

\$r4 = virtualinvoke \$r3.<java.lang.StringBuilder: java.lang.StringBuilder append(java.lang.String)>(r1);

\$r5 = virtualinvoke \$r4.<java.lang.StringBuilder: java.lang.StringBuilder append(java.lang.String)>(" ");

\$r6 = virtualinvoke \$r5.<java.lang.StringBuilder: java.lang.StringBuilder append(java.lang.String)>(r2);

\$r7 = virtualinvoke \$r6.<java.lang.StringBuilder: java.lang.String toString()>();

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Java Src

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public class nju.sa.examples.Class3AC extends java.lang.Object
{
    public static final double pi;
    public void <init>()
    {
        nju.sa.examples.Class3AC r0;
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- A special merge operator, \emptyset (called phi-function), is introduced to select the values at merge nodes
- $Ø(x_0, x_1)$ has the value x_0 if the control flow passes through the true part of the conditional and the value x_1 otherwise

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- May introduce inefficiency problem when translating to machine code (due to copy operations)

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Summary

The X You Need To Understand in This Lecture

- The relation between compilers and static analyzers
- Understand 3AC and its common forms
- How to build basic blocks on top of IR
- How to construct control flow graphs on top of BBs?

