

Oscar

185 shift/reduce conflicts, 770 reduce/reduce conflicts.

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Concepts

Actor-Oriented Programming

The Actor Model allows lock-free concurrency

Actors can:

- Send messages to other actors
- Create new actors
- Designate the behavior to be used upon receipt of the next message
- CANNOT manipulate other actors' states

Similar Languages/Frameworks:

- Erlang
- Akka

Functional Programming

- Values in Oscar are immutable
 - **unless declared as mutable within actors as internal states of actors cannot be manipulated*
- List, map and set are immutable
- Reassigning values to immutable lists/maps/sets returns a new copy

Syntax

Syntax - Fundamentals

- Basic Operators*
- Comparators*
- Logical Connectives*
- Function Syntax*
- Send & Broadcast*
- Map Key-Value Pair*

Operators

```
( = + - * / % )  
== != <= >= < >  
&& ! ||  
( ) : =>  
|> |>>  
->
```

Comments

```
/*  
comments  
are  
multi-line  
*/
```

Syntax - Fundamentals

if-else

```
if (A == B) {  
    Println("true");  
} else {  
    Println("false");  
}
```

Immutable Declarations

```
int x = 42;  
double d = 42.0;  
string str = "42";  
list<int> l = list<int>[42, 42, 42];  
set<int> s = set<int>[42, 4, 2];  
map<int, double> m =  
    map<int, double>[42 -> 42.0, 4 -> 2.0];
```

Syntax - Messages

Declaring Messages

```
message hello()  
message printThis(content: int)  
message printThese(thing1: string, thing2: int)
```

Sending Messages

```
message<hello>() |> stranger;  
message<printThis>(42) |> printer;  
message<printThese>("42", 42) |>> printerPool;
```

Syntax - Functions

Top-Level Syntax

```
def identifier(arg: typ1, arg2: typ2 ...) => return typ = {  
    return retArg;  
}
```

Lambda Syntax

```
func f = (i: int) => int = i + 1;
```

Using Lambda Syntax

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Syntax - Functions: Sample Code

```
def main() => unit = {
    list<int> intList = list<int>[1, 2, 3, 4, 5];

    int a = FoldLeft((x:int, y:int) => int = {
        return x + y;
    }, 10, intList));

    /* a == 10 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 == 25 */
}
```

Syntax - Functions: Sample Code

```
/* generate a filter function */
def genFilter(div: int) => [(int) => bool] = {
    func f = (x:int) => bool = (x % div == 0);
    return f;
}

def main() => unit = {
    list<int> intList = list<int>[1, 2, 3, 4, 5];

    func filt2 = genFilter(2);

    list<int> l = Filter(filt2, intList);
    /* l is [2, 4] */
}
```

Syntax - Actor

actor
object

lambda

receive
function

main
function

pool
declaration

```
message example(z: int)

actor Example() {
    mut int y = 39;

    def apply(f: lambda (int) => int, input: int) => int = {
        return f(input);
    }

    receive = {
        | example(z: int) => {
            y = y + 1;
            println(apply((x:int) => int = { return x + z; }, y));
        }
    }
}

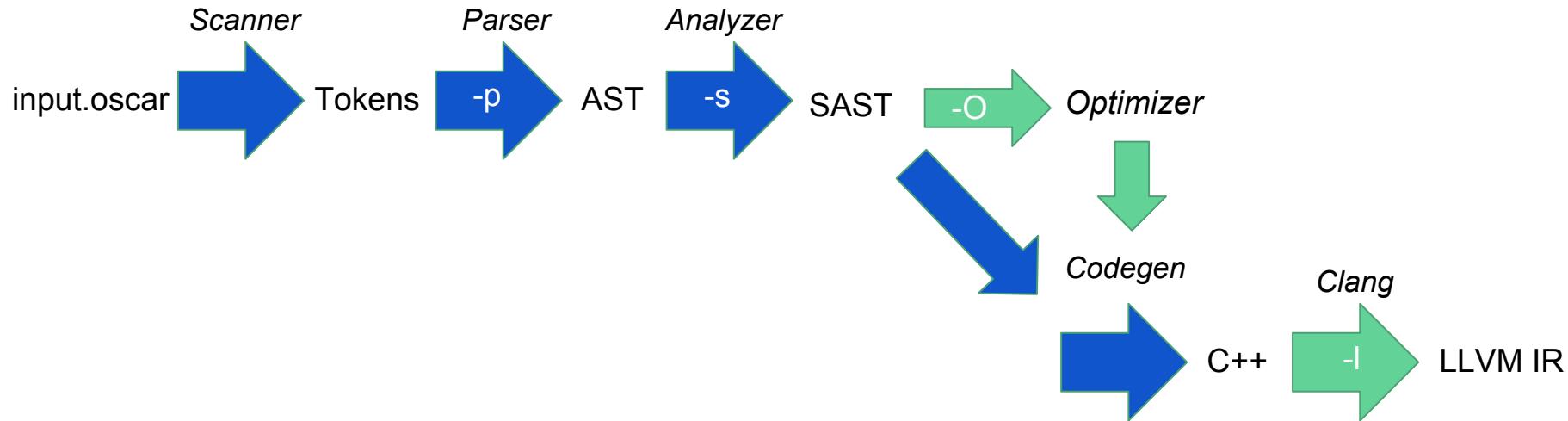
def main() => unit = {
    actor<Example> eg = spawn actor<Example>();
    pool<Example> egPool = spawn pool<Example>({}, 3);
    message<example>(1) |> eg;
    message<example>(1) |>> egPool;
}
```

mutable
declaration

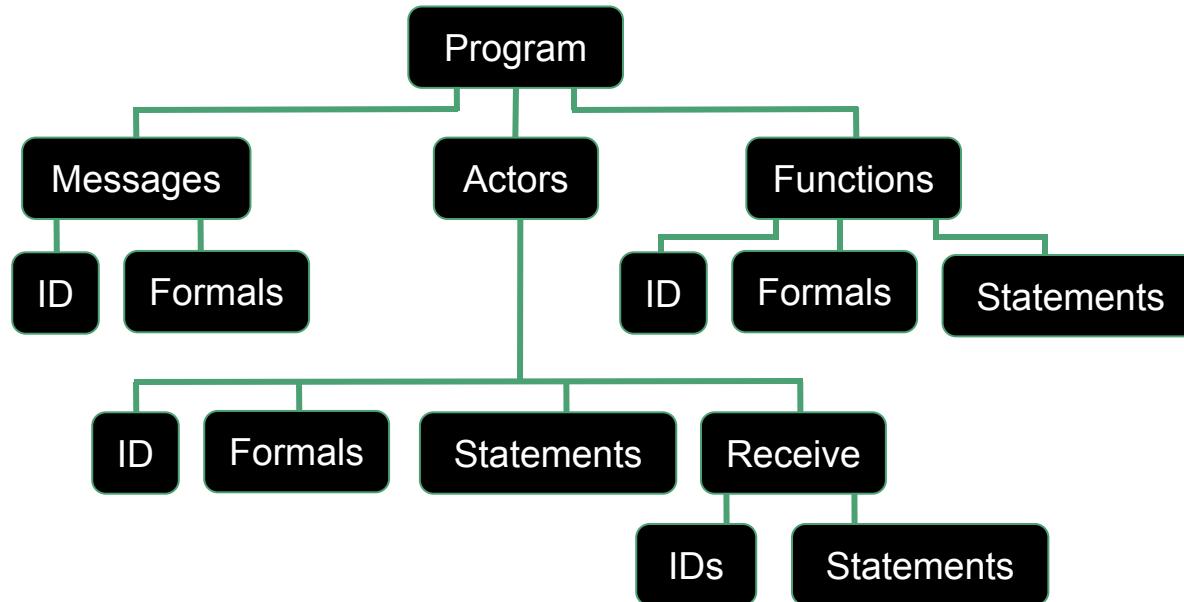
actor
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Implementation

Implementation - Stages of Compilation



Implementation - AST



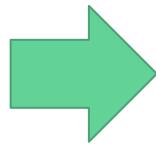
Implementation - The Optimizer

Every Oscar program is run through a two-pass optimizer:

- Unused Immutable primitive value declarations are removed
- Binary and unary operators with optimized expressions are evaluated to literal
- Unused code blocks are removed
- Unused function and variable declarations are removed
- if/else conditionals are evaluated

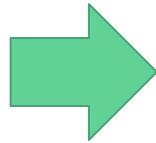
Implementation - The Optimizer

```
def main() => unit = {  
    Println(3 + 39);  
}
```



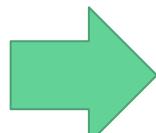
```
int main ()  
{  
    Println(42);  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
def main() => unit = {  
    int x = 1;  
    int y = 2;  
    Println(x);  
}
```



```
int main ()  
{  
    int x = 1;  
    Println(1);  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
def main() => unit = {  
    if(false) {  
        Println("false");  
    }  
}
```



```
int main ()  
{  
    return 0;  
}
```

Implementation - Builtin Functions: Print/Casting

- `Println("Primitive/Container") => unit`
- `AsInt(double) => int`
- `AsDouble(int) => double`
- `AsString(int,double,char,bool/list/set/map) => string`

Implementation - Builtin Functions: List-only

- Append(item, list<a>) => list<a>
- Prepend(item, list<a>) => list<a>
- PopFront(list<a>) => list<a>
- PopBack(list<a>) => list<a>
- MergeFront(list1<a>, list2<a>) => list<a>
- MergeBack(list1<a>, list2<a>) => list<a>
- Reverse(list<a>) => list<a>
- list<a>[0] => a

Implementation - Builtin Functions: Set-only

- Union(set1, set2) => set
- Diff(set1, set2) => set
- Intersection(set1, set2) => set
- Subset(set1, set2) => set

Implementation - Builtin Functions: Applied Functions

- `ForEach(function a=>unit, list/set/map<a>) => unit`
- `FoldLeft(function (a, b)=>b, accumulator, list<a>) => b`
- `Filter(function a=>bool, list/set/map<a>) => list/set/map<a>`
- `Map(function a=>b, list/set/map<a>) => list/set/map`
- `Reduce(function => a, list<a>) => a`

Implementation - Builtin Functions: Misc.

- `Size(container/string)` => int
- `Put(item, set)` => set
- `Put(keyItem, valueItem, map)` => map
- `Contains(item, list/set)` => bool
- `Contains(key, map)` => bool

Testing

- Unit Tests for Each Feature of Oscar
- Error Tests for invalid programs
- Larger files for Integration Testing (e.g. `gen_pi.oscar`)

Testing - Integration Scanner Test for gen_pi.oscar

```
plt4115@plt4115:~/Oscar/src$ ./oscar -p < ../test/oscar/scanner/gen_pi.oscar
message start()
message end()
message work(start: int, numElems: int)
message result(value: double)
message piApproximation(pi: double)

actor Worker() {

    def genRange(start: int, end: int) => list<int> = {
        return Reverse(MergeFront(genRange((start + 1), end), list<int>[start]));
    }

    def calcPi(start: int, numElems: int) => double = {
        list<int> range = genRange(start, (start + numElems));
        return Reduce((x: double, y: double) => double = {
            return (x + y);
        }, Map((i: int) => double = {
            return (4. * AsDouble(((1 - ((i % 2) * 2)) / ((2 * i) + 1))));
        }), range));
    }

    receive = {
        | work(start: int, numElems: int) => {
            double pi = calcPi(start, numElems);
            message<result>(pi) |> sender;
        }
    }
}

actor Listener() {

    receive = {
```

```
        | piApproximation(value: double) => {
            println("value of pi is approximately :" + AsString(value));
            message<end>() |> sender;
        }
    }
}

actor Master(numWorkers: int, numMsgs: int, numElems: int) {
    mut double pi = 0.;
    mut int numResults = 0;
    pool<Worker> workerPool = spawn pool<Worker>({}, numWorkers);
    actor<Listener> listener = spawn actor<Listener>();

    receive = {
        | start() => {
            message<work> msg = message<work>(0, 10);
            msg |> workerPool;
        }
        | result(value: double) => {
            (pi = (pi + value));
            (numResults = (numResults + 1));
            if ((numResults == numMsgs)) {
                message<piApproximation>(pi) |> listener;
            }
        }
        | end() => {
            die();
        }
    }
}

def main() => unit = {
    actor<Master> master = spawn actor<Master>(5, 10000, 10000);
    message<start>() |> master;
}
```

Testing

```
$ test git:(master) ./test.sh

-----Testing Valid-----

AND passed

NOT passed

...

-----Testing Errors-----

uopMismatch passed

valAlreadyDeclared passed

...

Tests Passed: 128 $
Tests Failed: 0 $
```

Git History

Sep 25, 2016 – Dec 20, 2016

Contributions to master, excluding merge commits

Contributions: **Commits** ▾



Demo