

# Lecture 15 — Compiling MiniJava cont.

- Today we will discuss compilation of some more difficult constructs (which are not included in MP8).
  - While statements
  - Short-circuit evaluation of boolean expressions
  - Arrays
  - Switch statements
  - V-tables and objects

# A note on static vs. dynamic typing

- We switched from dynamic typing in MP7 to static typing in MP8.
- What did we gain by switching to static typing?

Efficiency - avoid run-time tag checking.

- What did we lose?

Lots of programs that would have run fine but are now illegal, e.g. those that use heterogeneous lists.

# Static vs. dynamic typing (cont)

- Can we compile a dynamically-typed language?

- Consider compilation scheme for  $e_1 + e_2$

Assume values start with one-word tag (1 for int, etc)  
 $e_1 + e_2, \text{loc} \mapsto d_1, e_1 \mapsto d_2 \in [ \text{LOADImm } \text{tag}, 1; \text{EQUAL } \text{tempLoc}, \text{loc}, \text{tag}; \text{JUMP } m, m' ; \dots ]$

$e_1, \text{loc}, \text{m} \mapsto d_1$

$e_2, \text{loc}, \text{m} \mapsto d_2$

- Did we gain efficiency?

Yes, some. We avoid having to traverse and inspect the AST.

code to check tags in loc1 and loc2 and dispatch correct op or flag error.

# Compilation schemes

Methods:  $M \rightsquigarrow il$

Statements:  $S, m \rightsquigarrow il, m'$

Expressions:  $e, loc \rightsquigarrow il$

# Compiling while statements

While ( $e$ )  $S, m \rightsquigarrow$

[JUMP  $m'$ ] @  $ils$  @  $ile$  @ [CJUMP loc,  $m + 1, m''$ ],  $m''$

$S, m + 1 \rightsquigarrow ils, m'$

$e, loc \rightsquigarrow ile$

(where  $m'' = m' + |ile| + 1$ )

do  $S$  while ( $e$ ),  $m \rightsquigarrow ils @ ile @ [CJUMP loc, m, m' + |ile| + 1]$

$S, m \rightsquigarrow ils, m'$

$e, loc \rightsquigarrow ile$

# Evaluation of boolean expressions

- MP7 uses strict evaluation of boolean expressions:

**if** ( $e$ )  $S_1$  **else**  $S_2$ ,  $m \rightsquigarrow$

$il @ [\text{CJUMP loc}, m + |il| + 1, m' + 1] @ il_1 @ [\text{JUMP } m''] @ il_2,$   
 $e, \text{loc} \rightsquigarrow il$   
 $S_1, m + |il| + 1 \rightsquigarrow il_1, m'$   
 $S_2, m' + 1 \rightsquigarrow il_2, m''$

$x = e, m \rightsquigarrow il @ [\text{MOV(addr } x, \text{loc)}], m + |il| + 1$   
( $x$  a variable)

**OperationT**( $e_1, \text{bop}, e_2$ ),  $\text{loc} \rightsquigarrow il_1 @ il_2 @ [\text{BOP loc, loc1, loc2}]$

$e_1, \text{loc1} \rightsquigarrow il_1$   
 $e_2, \text{loc2} \rightsquigarrow il_2$

# Evaluation of boolean expression (cont.)

```
public int main (int m, int n) {  
    if (m < n & (m < 10 | 10 < n))  
        n = 0;  
    else  
        n = 1;  
    return n;  
}
```

O:	LESS	3,1,2	CJUMP	9,8,11
	LOADIMM	4,10	8:	LOADIMM 3,0
	LESS	5,1,4		MOV 2,3
	LOADIMM	6,10		JUMP 13
	LESS	7,6,2	11:	LOADIMM 3,1
	OR	8,5,7		MOV 2,3
	AND	9,3,8	13:	RETURN 2

# Short-circuit evaluation of boolean expressions

- The best way to compile boolean expressions is to computing the value of the expression.

$$e, m, t, f \rightsquigarrow_2 il, m'$$

- Some expressions are compiled very simply:

**True**,  $m, t, f \rightsquigarrow_{sc} [\text{JUMP } t], m + 1$

**False**,  $m, t, f \rightsquigarrow_{sc} [\text{JUMP } f], m + 1$

$\neg e, m, t, f \rightsquigarrow_{sc} il, m'$

$e, m, f, t \rightsquigarrow_{sc} il, m'$

# Short-circuit evaluation of boolean expressions (cont.)

$e_1 \& \& e_2, m, t, f \rightsquigarrow_{sc} \neg \text{id}_1, e \text{ } \neg \text{id}_2, m''$

$e_1, m, m', f \rightsquigarrow_{sc} \neg \text{id}_1, m'$

$e_2, m', t, f \rightsquigarrow_{sc} \neg \text{id}_2, m''$

$e_1 \parallel e_2, m, t, f \rightsquigarrow_{sc} \neg \text{id}_1, \& \neg \text{id}_2, m''$

$e_1, m, t, m' \rightsquigarrow_{sc} \neg \text{id}_1, m'$

$e_2, m', t, f \rightsquigarrow_{sc} \neg \text{id}_2, m''$

If ( $e$ )  $S_1$  else  $S_2, m \rightsquigarrow \neg \text{id}_e, e \text{ } \neg \text{id}_1, e [\text{Jump } m''] \text{ } e \neg \text{id}_2, m'''$

$e, m, m', m'' \rightsquigarrow_{sc} \neg \text{id}_e, m'$

$S_1, m' \rightsquigarrow \neg \text{id}_1, m''$

$S_2, m''+1 \rightsquigarrow \neg \text{id}_2, m'''$

# Short-circuit evaluation of boolean expressions (cont.)

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        n = 0;  
    else  
        n = 1;  
    return n;  
}
```

0:	LESS	3,1,2	CJUMP	7,8,11
	CJUMP	3,2,11	8:	LOADIMM 3,0
2:	LOADIMM	4,10		MOV 2,3
	LESS	5,1,4		JUMP 13
	CJUMP	5,8,5	11:	LOADIMM 3,1
5:	LOADIMM	6,10		MOV 2,3
	LESS	7,6,2	13:	RETURN 2

# Arrays in MJ

- Arrays stored in the heap. Contents are integers — sending integers, bools, or pointers to heap objects (including arrays).
- Have instruction (not used in MP8):

```
ARRAYREF tgt,src,indx: (p, c, s, h, t, r)
                        -> (p+1, c, s[i/tgt], h, t, r)
```

- Array indexing:

$a[e]$ , loc  $\rightsquigarrow$  id  $\in$  ARRAYREF loc, addr(a), loc,  
e, loc,  $\rightsquigarrow$  id

# Multi-dimensional arrays in M.

- A multi-dimensional array is an array that contains pointers to other arrays.



- Array indexing for multi-dimensional arrays:

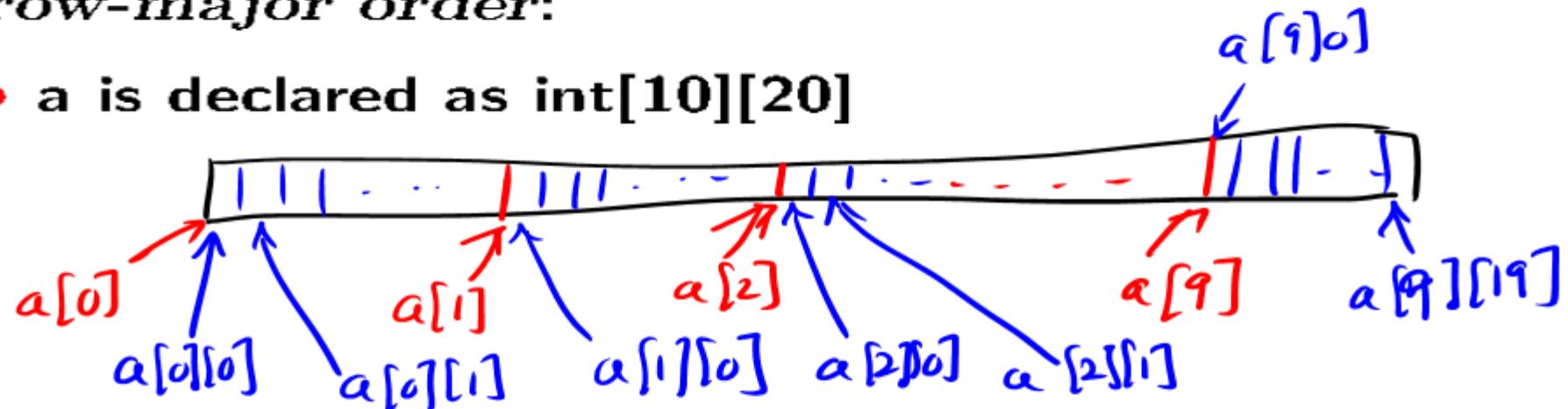
$e_1[e_2]$ , loc  $\rightsquigarrow$  id<sub>1</sub> @ loc<sub>2</sub> @ ARRAYREF loc<sub>1</sub>, loc<sub>2</sub>, loc<sub>3</sub>

$e_1, \text{loc}_1 \rightsquigarrow \text{id}_1$

$e_2, \text{loc}_2 \rightsquigarrow \text{id}_2$

# Arrays in C

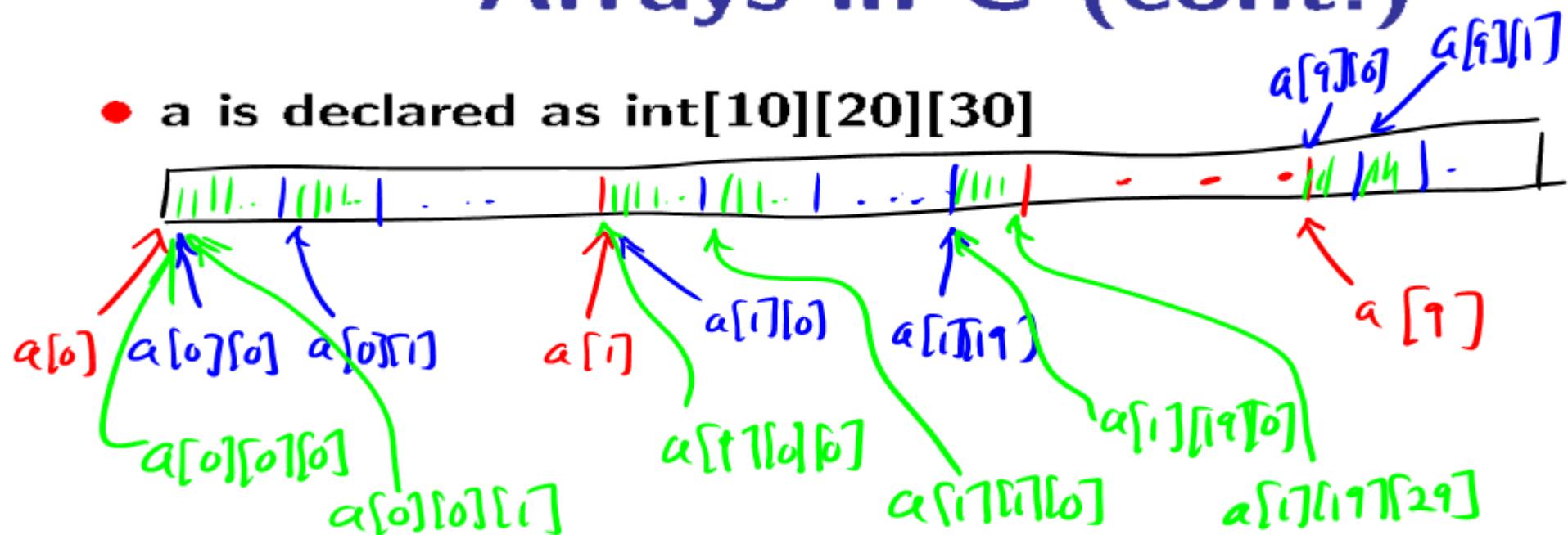
- Arrays are addresses:  $a[i] \equiv a + i$  (where  $i$  is multiplied by the size of  $a$ 's elements)
- Multi-dimensional arrays always rectangular, and arranged in row-major order:
  - $a$  is declared as `int[10][20]`



- address of  $a[i][j] = a + i*80 + j*4$ .

# Arrays in C (cont.)

- **a** is declared as `int[10][20][30]`



- address of `a[i][j][k] = a + i*2400 + j*120 + k*4`
- Rule is: address of `e1[e2] = address of e1 + (e2 * (elements of e1))`

# Array assignment in C

- With arrays, left-hand sides of assignment statements can't be complex expressions.
- A compilation scheme like this one makes no sense:

$$\begin{aligned} e_1[e_2] = e_3, \quad m \rightsquigarrow il1 @ il2 @ [\text{MOV loc1,loc2}] \\ e_1[e_2], \text{loc1} \rightsquigarrow il1 \\ e_3, \text{loc2} \rightsquigarrow il2 \end{aligned}$$

- Consider  $a[i] = a[i]$ . Can't evaluate both occurrences of  $a[i]$  to the same value!

# Array assignment in C (cont.)

- “l-values” vs. “r-values”
  - l-values are values of expressions on left-hand side assignments. They are addresses.
- Need scheme for calculating l-values.
- Compilation of assignment becomes:

$e_1 = e_2, m \rightsquigarrow il1 @ il2 @ [\text{MOVIND loc1,loc2}]$

$e_1, \text{loc1} \rightsquigarrow_{lval} il1$

$e_2, \text{loc2} \rightsquigarrow il2$

# Switch statements

- Switch statements can be compiled two ways:
  - As cascade of if statements.
  - As “jump table” — array of locations of the code for each case; use switch expression as index.

- When should you use one or the other?

If there are only a small number of cases, cascading if's may be more efficient.

If cases are very sparse (case 0:... case 1000000:...), jump table will take up more memory than the time savings are worth.

# Objects

- Fields: How is inheritance of fields handled in our compiler?

When object is created, all fields declared in its class or its class's ancestors are gathered together, and memory large enough for all of them is allocated. For any field  $f$  of any class  $C$ ,  $f$ 's offset is the same, whether it is in a C object or a descendant class.

- Methods: How is inheritance, and overriding, of methods handled in our compiler?

We created a table giving for any method name and class name, the appropriate method definition (taking inheritance and overriding into account). This table is built statically. At run time, we know the class of the receiver and the name of the method, and we look them up in the table.

# V-tables

- There is one place in our code where a name appears in compiled code: when compiling “new C()”.
- Why is it needed? (Hint: not to determine the size of object to be allocated.)

To index the table just described.

- How can it be eliminated?

Use v-tables.

# V-tables (cont.)

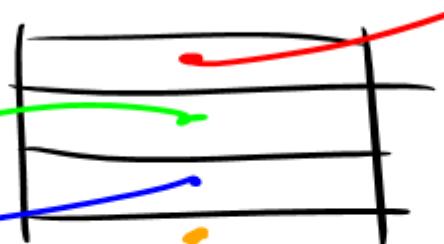
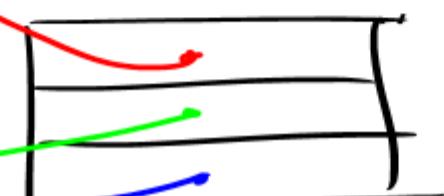
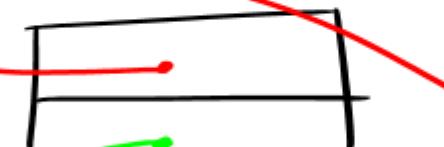
- Draw a table for each class, listing all the methods belonging to that class (including inherited ones). The order should be from top of the hierarchy to the bottom.

```
class B {  
    void f() {}  
    void g() {}  
}
```

```
class C1 extends B {  
    void h() {}  
}
```

```
class C2 extends B {  
    void g() {}  
}
```

```
class D extends C1 {  
    void i() {}  
    void g() {}  
}
```



# Wrap-up

- Today we discussed compilation of:
  - While statements
  - Boolean expressions (using short-circuit evaluation)
  - Arrays
  - Objects and inheritance
- We discussed it because:
  - These include most of the constructs you will see in most programming languages.
- What to do now:
  - Finish MP8

