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# Backpatching

Lecture 23  
Sections 8.4, 8.6

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# Outline

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# The “next” Destination of a Statement

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- Every statement will be represented as a `LinkedList` object in the grammar.
- The linked list will be a list of all backpatch labels occurring within the statement that must be resolved to the “next” destination of that statement.
- In the grammar, we must write

```
nonterminal LinkedList stmts, stmt, n;
```

# Labels and Jumps in the Grammar

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- The productions that will involve jumps are

$stmts \rightarrow stmts\ m\ stmt$

$stmt \rightarrow \mathbf{if}\ (\ cexpr\ )\ m\ stmt$

$stmt \rightarrow \mathbf{if}\ (\ cexpr\ )\ m\ stmt\ n\ \mathbf{else}\ m\ stmt$

$func \rightarrow fbeg\ stmts\ m\ }$

- $m$  represents a destination.
- $n$  represents a jump.

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- Every statement has a “next” destination.
- Normally, but not always, this is the next statement.
- This production will insert labels between consecutive statements, even though most of them will not be used.

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$$stmts \rightarrow stmts_1 \ m \ stmt$$

- Consider the production for sequences of statements.

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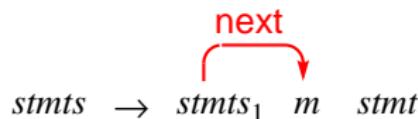
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- The label at  $m$  serves as the “next” destination of  $stmt_1$ .

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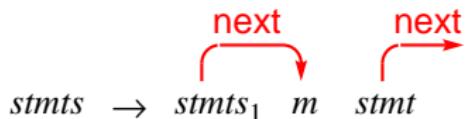
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- The label at  $m$  serves as the “next” destination of  $stmt_1$ .
- The “next” destination from  $stmt$  becomes the “next” destination from  $stmts$  (a synthesized attribute).

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- For sequences of statements, we take the following actions.
  - Backpatch  $stmt_1.nextList$  to  $m$ .
  - Return  $stmt.nextList$ .
- Then  $stmt.nextList$  becomes nextList of  $stmts$ , i.e., a synthesized attribute.
- This resolves the “next” destination from  $stmt_1$  and leaves the “next” destination from  $stmt$  unresolved.

# The One-Way **if** Statement

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$stmt \rightarrow \text{if } ( cexpr ) \ m \ stmt_1$

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- Now consider the one-way **if** statement.

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$$stmt \rightarrow \text{if } (cexpr) \ m \ stmt_1$$


- The “true” list of the backpatch node associated with *cexpr* will be resolved to *m*.

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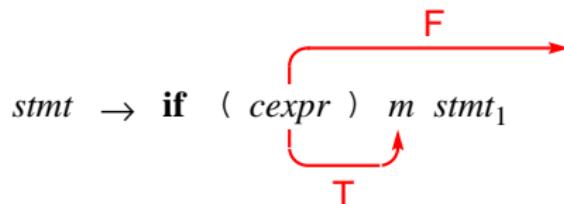
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- The “true” list of the backpatch node associated with  $cexpr$  will be resolved to  $m$ .
- The “false” list of  $cexpr$  will later be resolved to the label following  $stmt_1$ .

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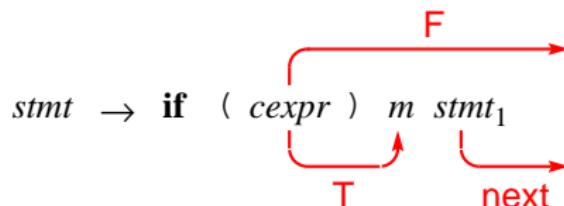
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- The “true” list of the backpatch node associated with  $cexpr$  will be resolved to  $m$ .
- The “false” list of  $cexpr$  will later be resolved to the label following  $stmt_1$ .
- The “false” list of  $cexpr$  and the “next” list of  $stmt_1$  have the same destination, which is the “next” destination of  $stmt$ .

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- For the one-way `if` statement, we take the following actions.
  - Backpatch  $cexpr.\text{trueList}$  to  $m$ .
  - Merge  $cexpr.\text{falseList}$  and  $\text{stmt}_1.\text{nextList}$ .
  - Return the merged list.
- The merged list becomes the `nextList` of  $\text{stmt}$ .

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- Consider the following segment of code.

```
if (a)
    b = 900;
a = 200;
```

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    BLABEL blabel=3
    CMPNE INT
        NUM INT value=0
        DEREFL INT
            NAME PTR|INT value="a"

    JUMP INT
        BLABEL blabel=4

    LABEL label=5

    ASSIGN INT
        NAME PTR|INT value="b"
        NUM INT value=900
```

```
EQU
    BLABEL blabel=3
    LABEL label=5

    LABEL label=6

    ASSIGN INT
        NAME PTR|INT value="a"
        NUM INT value=200

EQU
    BLABEL blabel=4
    LABEL label=6
```

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    ASSIGN INT
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        NUM INT value=900
```

```
EQU
    BLABEL blabel=3
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        NAME PTR|INT value="a"
        NUM INT value=200

EQU
    BLABEL blabel=4
    LABEL label=6
```

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ASSIGN INT
    NAME PTR|INT value="b"
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```

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    BLABEL blabel=3
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ASSIGN INT
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    NUM INT value=200

EQU
    BLABEL blabel=4
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        BLABEL blabel=4

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ASSIGN INT
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    NUM INT value=900
```

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    BLABEL blabel=3
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    LABEL label=6

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    NAME PTR|INT value="a"
    NUM INT value=200

EQU
    BLABEL blabel=4
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    LABEL label=5

ASSIGN INT
    NAME PTR|INT value="b"
    NUM INT value=900
```

```
EQU
    BLABEL blabel=3
    LABEL label=5

    LABEL label=6

ASSIGN INT
    NAME PTR|INT value="a"
    NUM INT value=200

EQU
    BLABEL blabel=4
    LABEL label=6
```

# Two-Way **if** Statements

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$stmt \rightarrow \text{if } (cexpr) \ m_1 \ stmt_1 \ n \ \text{else} \ m_2 \ stmt_2$

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- Consider the two-way **if** statement.

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$stmt \rightarrow \text{if } (cexpr) \ m_1 \ stmt_1 \ n \ \text{else} \ m_2 \ stmt_2$



- The “true” destination from *cexpr* is  $m_1$ .

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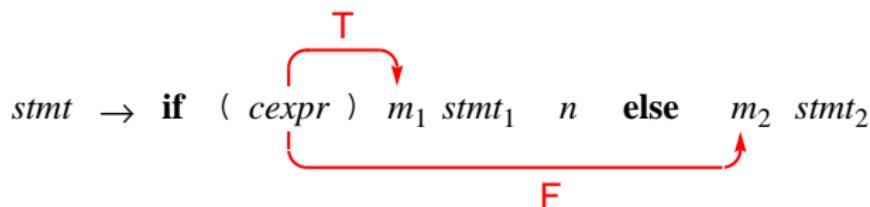
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- The “true” destination from `cexpr` is  $m_1$ .
- The “false” destination from `cexpr` is  $m_2$ .

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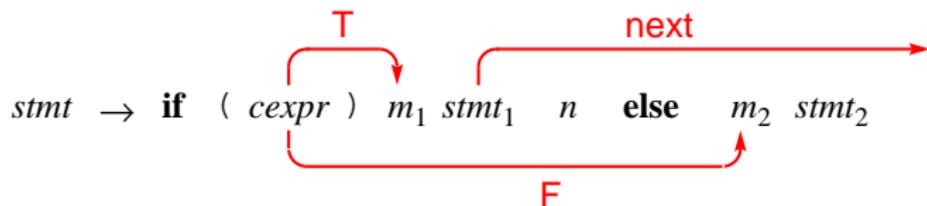
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- The “true” destination from `cexpr` is  $m_1$ .
- The “false” destination from `cexpr` is  $m_2$ .
- The “next” destination of `stmt_1`...

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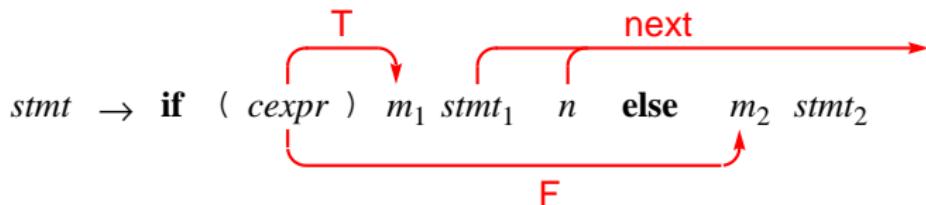
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- The “true” destination from `cexpr` is  $m_1$ .
- The “false” destination from `cexpr` is  $m_2$ .
- The “next” destination of  $stmt_1$  is the same as the “next” destination of  $n$ .

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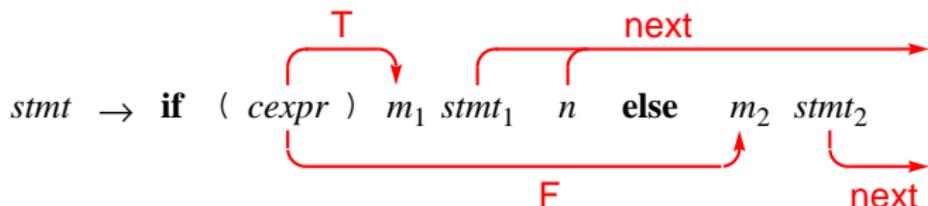
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- The “true” destination from `cexpr` is  $m_1$ .
- The “false” destination from `cexpr` is  $m_2$ .
- The “next” destination of  $stmt_1$  is the same as the “next” destination of  $n$ .
- $n$  represents a jump to the “next” destination of  $stmt_2$ , which becomes the “next” destination of  $stmt$ .

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- For a two-way `if` statement, we must take the following actions.
  - Backpatch `cexpr.trueList` to  $m_1$ .
  - Backpatch `cexpr.falseList` to  $m_2$ .
  - Merge  $stmt_1.nextList$ ,  $n.nextList$ , and  $stmt_2.nextList$ .
- The merged list becomes the `nextList` of  $stmt$ .

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- Consider the following segment of code.

```
if (a)
    b = 900;
else
    b = 500;
a = 200;
```

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    BLABEL blabel=4

LABEL label=5

ASSIGN INT
    NAME PTR|INT value="b"
    NUM INT value=900

JUMP INT
    BLABEL blabel=6

LABEL label=7
```

```
ASSIGN INT
    NAME PTR|INT value="b"
    NUM INT value=500

EQU
    BLABEL blabel=3
    LABEL label=5

EQU
    BLABEL blabel=4
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LABEL label=8

ASSIGN INT
    NAME PTR|INT value="a"
    NUM INT value=200

EQU
    BLABEL blabel=6
    LABEL label=8
```

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# Backpatching at a Function End

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- Consider the production

$$func \rightarrow fbeg \ stmts\ m\ RBRACE$$

- stmts* is a linked list of backpatch labels that must be resolved.
- If we reach the end of the function without yet resolving them, then they must be resolved to the return that occurs at the end of the function.

# Backpatching at a Function End

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- When the code is generated for this production, it is important that the backpatching occur first, before the return.

# Assignment

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## Homework

- Read Section 8.4, pages 491 - 493.
- Read Section 8.6, pages 504 - 506.