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- The Dragon-Book refers to the textbook followed in the class:

Aho, Lam, Sethi, and Ullman, Compilers: Principles, Techniques, and Tools, Second Edition.

1. [Syntax-directed translation]

The following grammar generates non-empty sequences of bits (0's and 1's). Each such sequence is interpreted as a binary representation of a non-negative integer N. For example, the bit sequence 00101 is a binary representation of 5 (decimal).

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \mathsf{N} \to \mathsf{N} \; \mathsf{B} \; | \; \mathsf{B} \\ \mathsf{B} \to \mathbf{0} \; | \; \mathbf{1} \end{array}$$

(a) The non-terminals N and B have a synthesized attribute parity (its only allowed values are EVEN and ODD). For example, the parity of 00101 (the number 5) is ODD, and the parity of 10100 (the number 20) is EVEN. Provide the semantic actions for computing this attribute. In all the parts, use no extra attributes (except what is given). [4]

Production	Semantic action
$N \rightarrow N_1 B$	N.parity = B.parity
$N \to B$	N.parity = B.parity
B o 0	B.parity = EVEN
$B \rightarrow 1$	B.parity = ODD

(b) Now, we want to determine whether the input number is a multiple of 3. To that effect, we store against N and B a synthesized attribute rem3 (with allowed values 0, 1, and 2 only) which stands for the remainder of the number or bit upon division by 3. The input number is divisible by three if and only if rem3 at the root of the parse tree is 0. Supply the semantic actions for computing rem3. Do not use parity in this part and in the next part.

Production	Semantic action
$N \rightarrow N_1 B$	N.rem3 = (2 * N ₁ .rem3 + B.rem3) % 3
$N \rightarrow B$	N.rem3 = B.rem3
B o 0	B.rem3 = 0
B → 1	B.rem3 = 1

(c) In this part, S generates a signed integer by adding a sign bit (0 means positive, 1 means negative) at the beginning of a binary string (the magnitude of the integer) generated by N. That is, S generates integers in the signed-magnitude representation. We now add a new production $S \rightarrow B$ N (B generates the sign bit). Keep the productions and semantic actions for N and B as in Part (b). Write below the semantic action for computing rem3 (allowed values are 0, 1, 2 only) of S. For example, 100101 stands for $-5 = -2 \times 3 + 1$, and has rem3 value 1. [2]

Production	Semantic action
$S \rightarrow B N$	<pre>If B.rem3 = 0, then S.rem3 = N.rem3 else if N.rem3 = 0, then S.rem3 = 0 else S.rem3 = 3 - N.rem3</pre>

2. [Intermediate-code generation]

Translate the following C code snippet to three-address code. Here a[][] is a two-dimensional integer array of dimension 100×100 , and i, j, and n are integers. Assume that each integer has width 4. Strictly follow C-style interpretations of pre- and post-increment operators (++), and of break in switch statements. [10]

```
do {
    switch (n%3) {
        case 0: a[i][++j] = n++; break;
        case 1: a[i++][j] = n;
        case 2: a[i][j] = ++n;
    }
} while (n < 100);</pre>
```

```
begin: t1 = n \% 3
        goto test
        t2 = 400 * i
L1:
        t3 = j + 1
        j = t\bar{3}
        t4 = 4 * j
        t5 = t2 + t4
        a[t5] = n
        t6 = n + 1
        n = t6
        goto next
L2:
        t7 = 400 * t
        t8 = i + 1
        i = t8
        t9 = 4 * j
        t10 = t7 + t9
        a[t10] = n
        t\bar{1}1 = 400 * i
L3:
        t12 = 4 * j
        t13 = t11 + t12
        t14 = n + 1
        n = t14
        a[t13] = t14
        goto next
if t1 == 0 goto L1
test:
        if t1 == 1 goto L2
        if t1 == 2 goto L3
        if n < 100 goto begin
next:
```

3. [Backpatching]

Consider the following grammar of multi-way branching using the keywords **if**, **else**, **elif** (abbreviation of else if), and **endif**. A branching statement starts with the keyword **if**, and is followed by a parenthesized Boolean condition (B) and then by a list (L) of statements (S). An <u>optional</u> sequence of one or more else-if blocks (each consisting of the keyword **elif**, a parenthesized Boolean expression, and a list of statements, in that sequence) follows. Finally, there is an <u>optional</u> else block (one only). The combined else-if and else part is generated by E. In all the cases, the branching statement ends with the keyword **endif**. In the grammar below, A stands for an assignment statement, X for an expression, and R for a relational operator. The start symbol is L.

```
\begin{array}{lll} \mathsf{L} & \to & \mathsf{S} \mid \mathsf{L} \, \mathsf{S} \\ \mathsf{S} & \to & \mathsf{A} \mid \mathsf{if} \; (\mathsf{B}) \; \mathsf{L} \; \mathsf{E} \; \mathsf{endif} \\ \mathsf{E} & \to & \varepsilon \mid \mathsf{else} \; \mathsf{L} \mid \mathsf{elif} \; (\mathsf{B}) \; \mathsf{L} \; \mathsf{E} \\ \mathsf{B} & \to & \mathsf{X} \; \mathsf{R} \; \mathsf{X} \end{array}
```

Here are some examples of multi-way branching statements generated by this grammar.

```
if (x >= 0) a = 1; endif
if (x >= 0) a = 1; y = x; else a = 0; y = -x; endif
if (x > 0) a = 1; y = x; elif (x < 0) a = -1; y = -x; else a = 0; y = 0; endif
```

- (a) Prove/Disprove the following two assertions about this grammar.
 - (i) This grammar suffers from the dangling-else ambiguity (involving if and else only).

[2]

False. The dangling-else ambiguity arises for a statement of the form if (C1) if (C2) S1 else S2. This can be interpreted in two ways: if (C1) { if (C2) S1 else S2 } and if (C1) { if (C2) S1 } else S2. In the current grammar, the second interpretation is invalid because of the keyword **endif**. These two interpretations now should be written in two different ways as follows.

```
if (C1) if (C2) S1 else S2 endif endif if (C1) if (C2) S1 endif else S2 endif
```

(ii) A multi-statement if/elif/else block needs to be enclosed within braces or other delimiters.

[2]

False. An **if** block must be followed immediately by one of the keywords **elif**, **else**, and **endif**. An **elif** block must be followed immediately by **elif**, **else** or **endif**. An **else** block must be followed by **endif**. These keywords act as delimiters for the blocks.

(b) We use backpatching (without fall-through optimization) to translate multi-way branching statements to 3-address codes in single passes. The non-terminals L (list of statements), S (statement), and E (combined else-if and else part) maintain a synthesized attribute nextlist, and a Boolean expression (B) has two synthesized attributes truelist and falselist. Each of these lists stores the instruction numbers containing jumps to an unspecified (yet unknown) instruction number. Later when the jump target is available, backpatching is done by adding this target to all the instructions stored in the list. Complete the following table by filling out the semantic actions on the right side, corresponding to the productions on the left side. Use marker non-terminals M and N only, where M.inst stores the next instruction number that can be obtained in the variable nextinst, and N has a nextlist. Use the functions makelist(), merge(), and backpatch() as explained in the Dragon-Book (as well as in the class). [14]

Production	Semantic action	
$L \rightarrow S$	L.nextlist = S.nextlist	
	backpatch(L.nextlist, nextinst)
$L\toL_1MS$	L.nextlist = S.nextlist	
	backpatch(L ₁ .nextlist, M.inst)

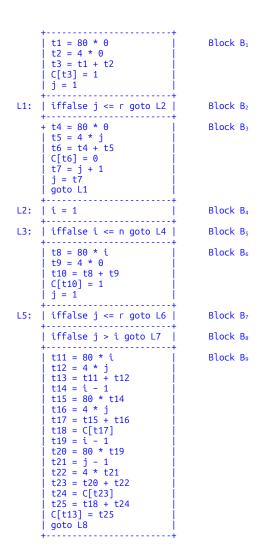
Production	Semantic action
$S \to A$	S.nextlist = NULL
Rewrite the following production by adding marker non-terminals at suitable places. S → if (B) L E endif S → if (B) M ₁ L N M ₂ E endif	<pre>backpatch(B.truelist, M1.inst) backpatch(B.falselist, M2.inst) S.nextlist = merge(merge(L.nextlist, N.nextlist), E.nextlist)</pre>
E o arepsilon	E.nextlist = NULL
E → else L	E.nextlist = L.nextlist
Rewrite the following production by adding marker non-terminals at suitable places. E → elif (B) L E E → elif (B) M ₁ L N M ₂ E ₁	<pre>backpatch(B.truelist, M1.inst) backpatch(B.falselist, M2.inst) E.nextlist = merge(merge(L.nextlist, N.nextlist), E1.nextlist)</pre>
$B\toX_1RX_2$	<pre>B.truelist = makelist(nextinst) B.falselist = makelist(nextinst + 1) gen(if X₁.addr R.op X₂.addr goto -) gen(goto -)</pre>
M o arepsilon	M.inst = nextinst
$N o \varepsilon$	<pre>N.nextlist = makelist(nextinst) gen(goto -)</pre>

4. [Basic blocks and flow graph]

The following C code computes the binomial coefficient C(n,r) using the identity C(i,j) = C(i-1,j) + C(i-1,j-1). Assume that $0 \le r \le n < 20$. The code uses a dynamic-programming approach to compute C(n,r) in a two-dimensional array C[20][20] of integers. All basic variables are of type int.

```
C[0][0] = 1;
j = 1; while ( j <= r ) { C[0][j] = 0; j = j + 1; }
i = 1;
while ( i <= n ) {
    C[i][0] = 1; j = 1;
    while ( j <= r ) {
        if (j > i) C[i][j] = 0;
        else C[i][j] = C[i-1][j] + C[i-1][j-1];
        j = j + 1;
    }
    i = i + 1;
}
```

(a) Generate the 3-address code for the above snippet using fall-through optimization that reduces the number of goto statements (use iffalse in conditional jumps). Do not use any other optimization in this part. Assume that the size (width) of each int is 4 bytes. Use symbolic labels (L1, L2, L3, and so on) instead of instruction numbers. Name the temporaries as t1, t2, t3, and so on. Identify the basic blocks by enclosing them in rectangles. Name the basic blocks as B1, B2, B3, and so on.



(b) Hand-optimize each basic block individually, by locating common subexpressions, by using constant propagation and algebraic identities (including strength reduction by applying distributivity), and by eliminating dead code. You do not have to use the DAG representation of the basic blocks. But give clear justifications (in plain English) for every optimization step that you use. Do not perform any global optimization here. Do not renumber the temporaries. [8]

The optimization steps are discussed block by block. The basic blocks that cannot be optimized are omitted in the discussion.

B₁: By algebraic identities, t1, t2, t3 all evaluate to 0. We do not need to compute them, and instead straightaway set C[0] = 1. Optimized block:

```
C[0] = 1
j = 1
```

B₃: t4 evaluates to 0, and so t6 = t5. So we do not need to compute t4 and t6, and set C[t5] = 0. Optimized block:

t5 = 4 * j C[t5] = 0

C[t5] = 0 t7 = j + 1 j = t7 goto L1

B₆: Again by using algebraic identities, we avoid computing t9 and t10.

Optimized block:

```
t8 = 80 * i
C[t8] = 1
j = 1
```

 B_9 : This block offers several common subexpressions, and recalculation of formulas using the distributive law. t15 can be computed as t11 - 80, so we can avoid computing t14. We can avoid computing t16, and use t12 for it. Computations of t19 and t20 are redundant, we can use t15 for t20. By distributive law, we can avoid computing t21, and take t22 = t12 - 4. We can do even better. We can avoid computing t22 too, and take t23 = t17 - 4.

Optimized block:

```
t11 = 80 * i

t12 = 4 * j

t13 = t11 + t12

t15 = t11 - 80

t17 = t15 + t12

t18 = C[t17]

t23 = t17 - 4

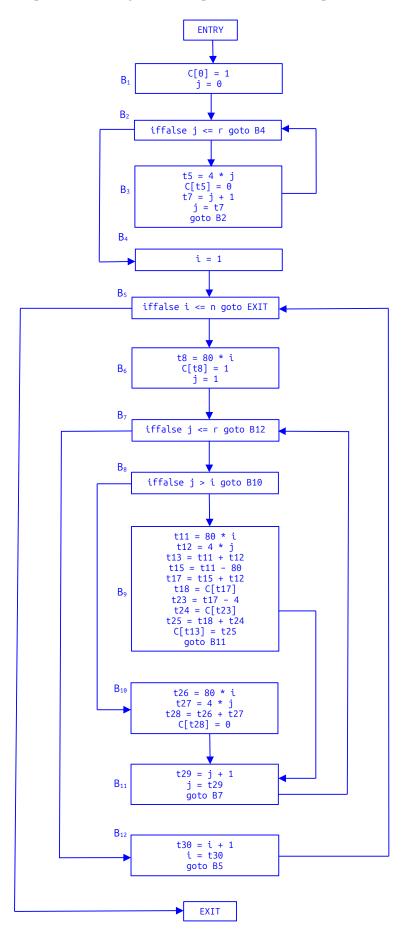
t24 = C[t23]

t25 = t18 + t24

C[t13] = t25

goto L8
```

(c) Draw the flow graph on the <u>optimized basic blocks</u>. Write the 3-address instructions inside each optimized block. The instructions remaining in the optimized blocks should be in the same sequence as in the original blocks. Retain the old numbering of the temporaries (although some temporaries are not computed, and some use modified formulas). [8]



5. [Target-code generation]

Consider a single basic block consisting of the following seven 3-address instructions. Here, a, b, c, d, e are user-defined variables, and t1, t2, t3 are compiler-generated temporaries.

```
t1 = a + d
t2 = b - c
t3 = t1 * t2
e = t3
a = t3 / t1
b = a + t3
c = t1 - c
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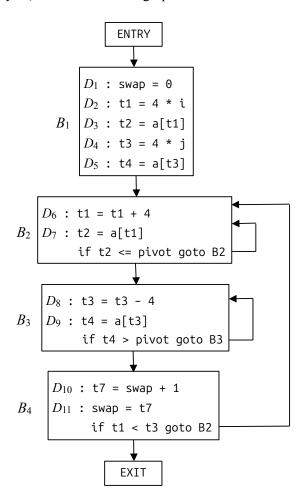
You have only four registers R1, R2, R3, R4. For every operation, the operands must stay in registers, and the result is computed in a register. For each 3-address instruction I, use the simple register-selection algorithm getreg(I) of the Dragon-Book (also taught in the class). At every step, show the register-descriptor table, the address-descriptor table, and the target code generated. Justify the necessity of load and store instructions, and the choice of each register by getreg(). For a 3-address instruction x = y op z, the registers are selected for y, z, and x in that order. Avoid storing temporaries in memory. Assume that the temporaries in a basic block are not used in other blocks (but user-defined variables are). All ties are broken by giving preference to lower-numbered registers. [18]

3-address	Target code	Re	gister (descrip	tor	Address descriptor								
code	Target code	R1	R2	R3	R4	a	Ь	С	d	е	t1	t2	t3	
Initialize						a	Ь	С	d	e				
	No code generated	Justification: Initially, all the registers are empty, all variables are in memory, and no temporaries are computed.												
		a	d	t1		a,R1	Ь	С	d,R2	е	R3			
t1 = a + d	LD R1,a LD R2,d ADD R3,R1,R2	Justification: All registers are empty, so a is loaded to R1, d to R2, and t1 is computed in R3.												
		С	t2	t1	ь	a	b,R4	c,R1	d	e	R3	R2		
t2 = b - c	LD R4,b LD R1,c SUB R2,R4,R1	Justification: R4 is empty, so b is loaded to R4. Now, all registers are loaded. However, t1 will be used later in the block, whereas a is not live here and d will not be used later (and the latest values of a and d can be found in the memory), so c is loaded to R1, and t2 is computed in R2.												
		С	t3	t1	Ь	a	b,R4	c,R1	d	е	R3		R2	
t3 = t1 * t2	MUL R2,R3,R2	Since to	it t1 and	are avail	used lat	ter, wher	reas t2 ai	nd b will	not be u	sed later	and the	latest va	lt t3, we alue of b	

3-address	Tangat anda	Re	gister (descrip	tor	Address descriptor								
code	Target code	R1	R2	R3	R4	a	b	С	d	е	t1	t2	t3	
e = t3		С	e,t3	t1	b	a	b,R4	c,R1	d	R2	R3		R2	
	No code generated	Since t	descript	ilable in or for R	2. Moreo		address	descripto	or for e				ed to the tion that	
		С	e,t3	t1	a	R4	Ь	c,R1	d	R2	R3		R2	
a = t3 / t1	DIV R4,R2,R3	Justification: The operands t3 and t1 are available in registers (no loads needed). For storing the result, note that t3, t1, and c are live at this point, whereas b is not. Moreover, the latest value of b can be found in memory, so we replace b in R4 by the result. We also adjust the address descriptor for a to R4.												
		b	e,t3	t1	a	R4	R1	С	d	R2	R3		R2	
b = a + t3	ADD R1,R4,R2	Again t result (i be obta	n the nai	nds a an me of b) n memo	, we not ry (so th	available e that R1 e score (E) R2, R3	stores of R1 is	e. Althou 0). But t	gh c is the latest	sed later values o	r, its late of a, t1, a	st value	can still	
		С	e,t3	t1	a	R4	Ь	R1	d	R2	R3		R2	
c = t1 - c	ST b,R1 LD R1,c SUB R1,R3,R1	Justification: Although t1 is available in R3, c needs to be reloaded. All the registers are of score 1 (containing be, t1, and a, respectively). By our tie-breaking policy, we choose R1 to load c. But before that, we need to store b. The result (which is c again) can be stored in R1 itself.												
		С	e,t3	t1	a	a,R4	b	c,R1	d	e,R2	R3		R2	
End of block	ST a,R4 ST c,R1 ST e,R2	Justification: We need to write back a, c, and e to memory.												

6. [Data flow analysis]

Consider the following (optimized) intermediate code which (only) finds the number of swaps required while partitioning a one-dimensional array a[] (with respect to a pivot element), during quick sort (swaps are not done). The basic blocks (denoted by B_i) and the data flow graph are shown below. The definitions are denoted by D_i .



(a) Write below the sets gen(B) for all basic blocks B.

 $gen(B_1) = \frac{\{D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5\}}{gen(B_2)}$ $gen(B_3) = \frac{\{D_6, D_7\}}{gen(B_4)}$ $gen(B_4) = \frac{\{D_{10}, D_{11}\}}{gen(B_{11})}$

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(b) Write below the sets kill(B) for all basic blocks B.

 $kill(B_1) =$ { $D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{11}$ } $kill(B_2) =$ { D_2, D_3 } $kill(B_3) =$ { D_4, D_5 } $kill(B_4) =$ { D_1 }

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in(B) = \underline{\qquad \qquad } Union of out(A) over all blocks A connected to the input of B out(B) = \underline{\qquad \qquad } gen(B) \cup \big( in(B) - kill(B) \big)
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(d) In order to compute all reaching definitions (that is, in(B) and out(B) for all basic blocks B), we initialize out(B) = \emptyset for all the basic blocks B (including ENTRY and EXIT). We then carry out a sequence of iterations for updating in(B) and out(B) for all basic blocks B. Show the iterations (use the format given below for the first iteration). Also write the reason/criterion for stopping the updating loop. Show your calculations. [10]

Iteration 1

```
 in(B_1) = \underbrace{ \text{out}(\text{ENTRY}) = \phi} 
 in(B_2) = \underbrace{ \text{out}(B_1) \cup \text{out}(B_2) \cup \text{out}(B_4) = \phi} 
 in(B_3) = \underbrace{ \text{out}(B_2) \cup \text{out}(B_3) = \phi} 
 in(B_4) = \underbrace{ \text{out}(B_3) = \phi} 
 out(B_1) = \underbrace{ \text{gen}(B_1) \cup (\text{in}(B_1) - \text{kill}(B_1)) = \{D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5\}} 
 out(B_2) = \underbrace{ \text{gen}(B_2) \cup (\text{in}(B_2) - \text{kill}(B_2)) = \{D_6, D_7\}} 
 out(B_3) = \underbrace{ \text{gen}(B_3) \cup (\text{in}(B_3) - \text{kill}(B_3)) = \{D_8, D_9\}} 
 out(B_4) = \underbrace{ \text{gen}(B_4) \cup (\text{in}(B_4) - \text{kill}(B_4)) = \{D_{10}, D_{11}\}}
```

Show the remaining iterations.

```
Iteration 2
in(B_1) = out(ENTRY) = \phi
in(B_2) = out(B_1) \cup out(B_2) \cup out(B_4) = \{ D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
in(B_3) = out(B_2) \cup out(B_3) = \{ D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9 \}
in(B_4) = out(B_3) = \{ D_8, D_9 \}
out(B_1) = gen(B_1) \cup (in(B_1) - kill(B_1)) = \{ D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5 \}
out(B_2) = gen(B_2) \cup (in(B_2) - kill(B_2)) = \{ D_1, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
out(B_3) = gen(B_3) \cup (in(B_3) - kill(B_3)) = \{ D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9 \}
out(B_4) = gen(B_4) \cup (in(B_4) - kill(B_4)) = \{ D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
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Iteration 3
in(B_1) = out(ENTRY) = \phi
in(B_2) = out(B_1) \cup out(B_2) \cup out(B_4) = \{ D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
in(B_3) = out(B_2) \cup out(B_3) = \{ D_1, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
in(B_4) = out(B_3) = \{ D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9 \}
out(B_1) = gen(B_1) \cup (in(B_1) - kill(B_1)) = \{ D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5 \}
out(B_2) = gen(B_2) \cup (in(B_2) - kill(B_2)) = \{ D_1, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
out(B_3) = gen(B_3) \cup (in(B_3) - kill(B_3)) = \{ D_1, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
out(B_4) = gen(B_4) \cup (in(B_4) - kill(B_4)) = \{ D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
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Iteration 4
in(B_1) = out(ENTRY) = \emptyset
in(B_2) = out(B_1) \cup out(B_2) \cup out(B_4) = \{ D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
in(B_3) = out(B_2) \cup out(B_3) = \{ D_1, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
in(B_4) = out(B_3) = \{ D_1, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
out(B_1) = gen(B_1) \cup (in(B_1) - kill(B_1)) = \{ D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5 \}
out(B_2) = gen(B_2) \cup (in(B_2) - kill(B_2)) = \{ D_1, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
out(B_3) = gen(B_3) \cup (in(B_3) - kill(B_3)) = \{ D_1, D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9, D_{10}, D_{11} \}
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Write below the reason why the iterations stop.

Iteration 4 does not encounter a change in out(B) for any basic block B, so we have reached a fixed point (that is, running the iterations further will change neither in(B) nor out(B) for any basic block B). So the iterations stop at this point.