

## Project 4: Building the AST

# Project 4: Constructing the Abstract Syntax Tree

Modify Parser.java

**Basic Idea:** Each parsing method will return an Abstract Syntax Tree (AST) for whatever was parsed.

**PrintAst.java**

```
void printAst (Ast.Node t)  
    Print the AST in full detail
```

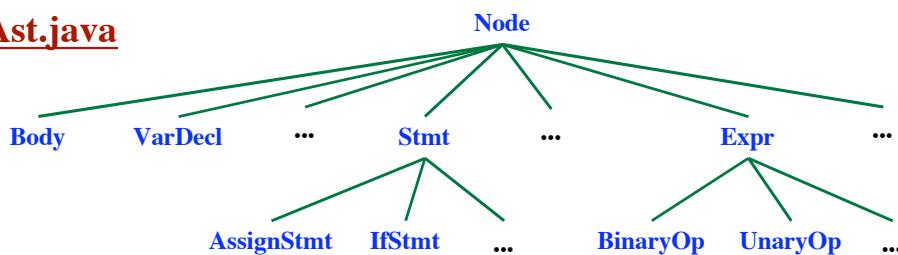
**Ast.java**

Contains classes related to the AST

- Lots of classes
- Small (0-5 fields)
- No methods (of interest)
- “Data Structure” classes

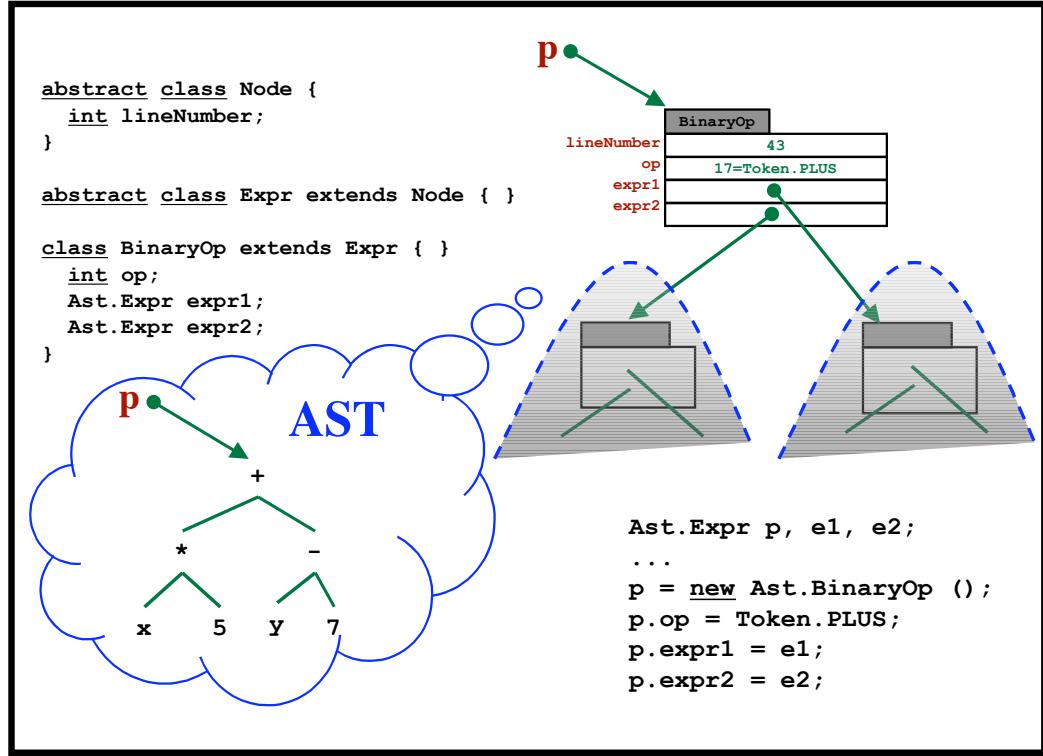
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### Ast.java



```
class Ast {  
    abstract class Node { ... }  
    class Body extends Node { ... }  
    class VarDecl extends Node { ... }  
    ...  
    abstract class Stmt extends Node { ... }  
    class AssignStmt extends Stmt { ... }  
    class IfStmt extends Stmt { ... }  
    ...  
    abstract class Expr extends Node { ... }  
    class BinaryOp extends Expr { ... }  
    class UnaryOp extends Expr { ... }  
    ...  
}
```

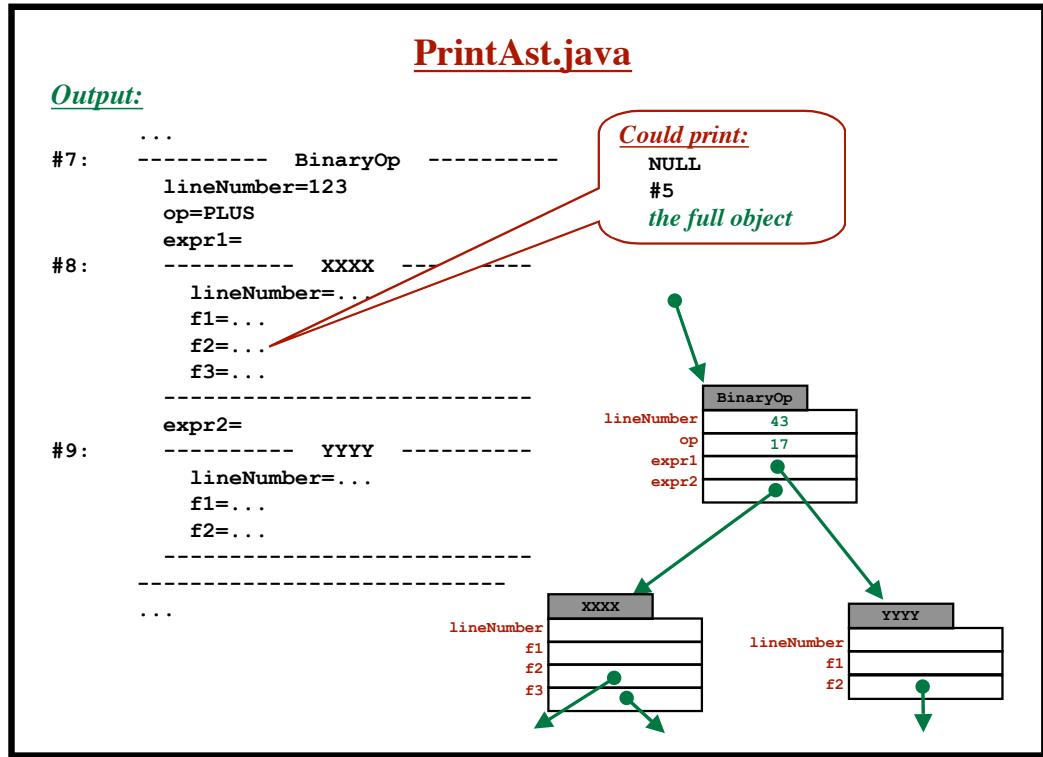
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## Displaying / Printout

### PrintAst

Very detailed; prints all  
 Designed for verifying correct programs  
 Expressions:

1+2\*3+4\*5+6\*7+8\*9

*84 lines of output!*

Hard to understand incorrect output.

### Special case: “Return Statement”

Attempts to print out the expression in infix

Example

```
#17:      ----- ReturnStmt -----
lineNumber=65
summary=((((1+(2*3))+(4*5))+(6*7))+(8*9))
expr=
...
-----
```

## Suggested Plan of Attack

Step 1: Read the assignment (16 pages).

compilers/p4

Step 2: Modify all method headers:

```
parseExpr3 → Ast.Expr
parseIfStmt → Ast.Stmt
parseLValue → Ast.LValue
```

Insert dummy return statements:

return null;

Step 3: Remove all print statements from Project 3.

Step 4: Get a clean compile.

Step 5: Get a “Body” returned and printed.

program is begin end;

Step 6: parseStmts

parseReturnStmt

parseExpr0,1,2,3,4,5

*Skip ID, skip parseIDMods; Should now be able to do:*

program is

begin

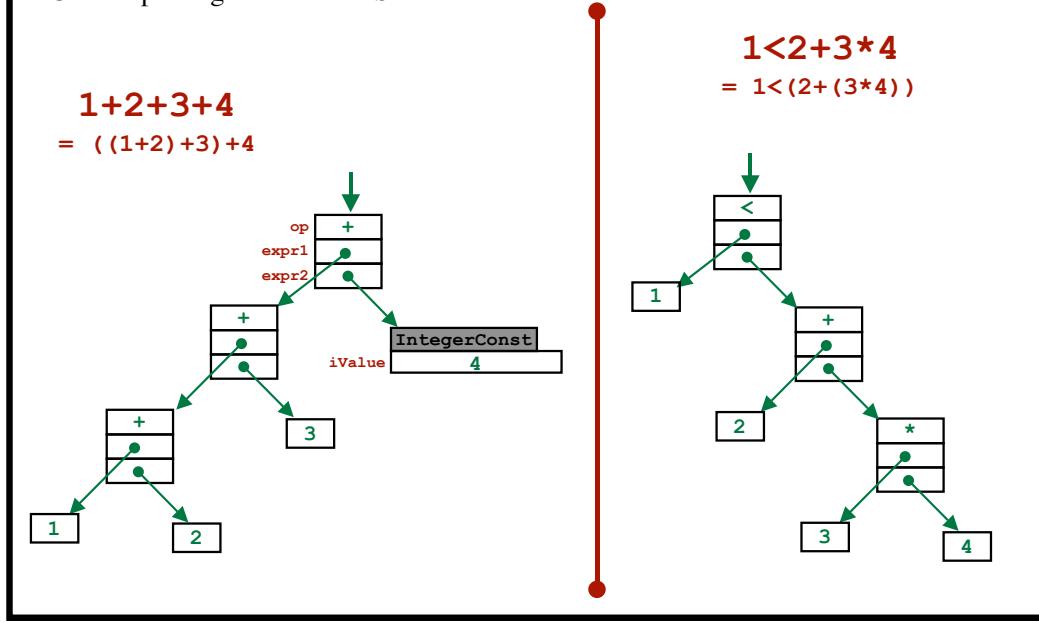
return 1+2+3;

end;

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### Expressions

AST must reflect the correct precedence and associativity.  
Correct parsing → correct AST



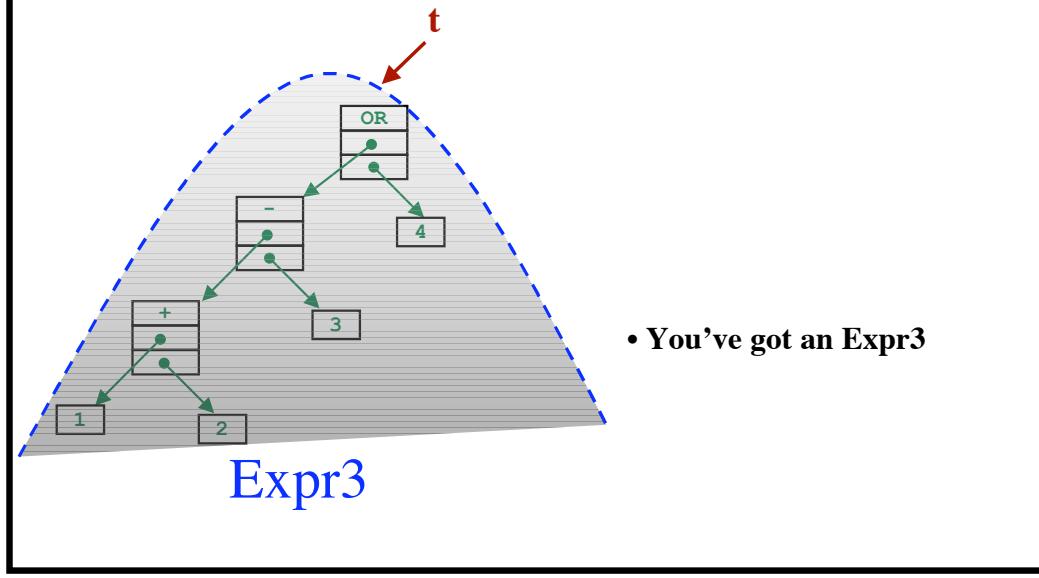
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$\text{Expr2} \rightarrow \text{Expr3} \{ (+ \mid - \mid \text{or}) \text{ Expr3} \}^*$

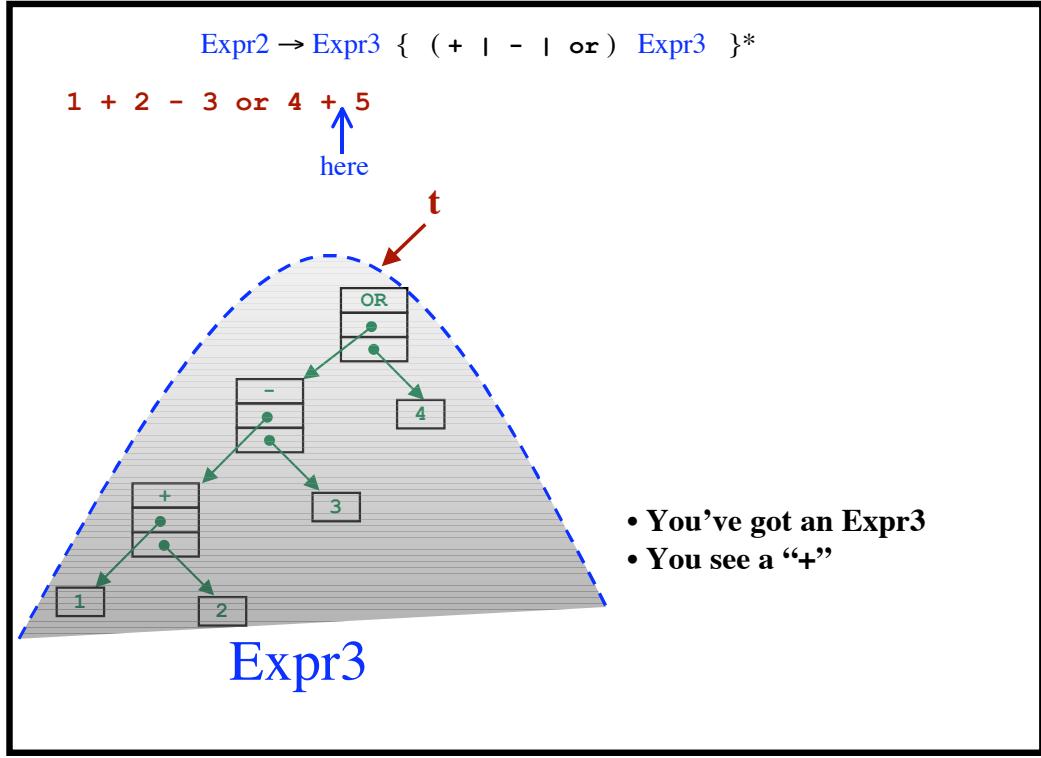
1 + 2 - 3 or 4 + 5  
here



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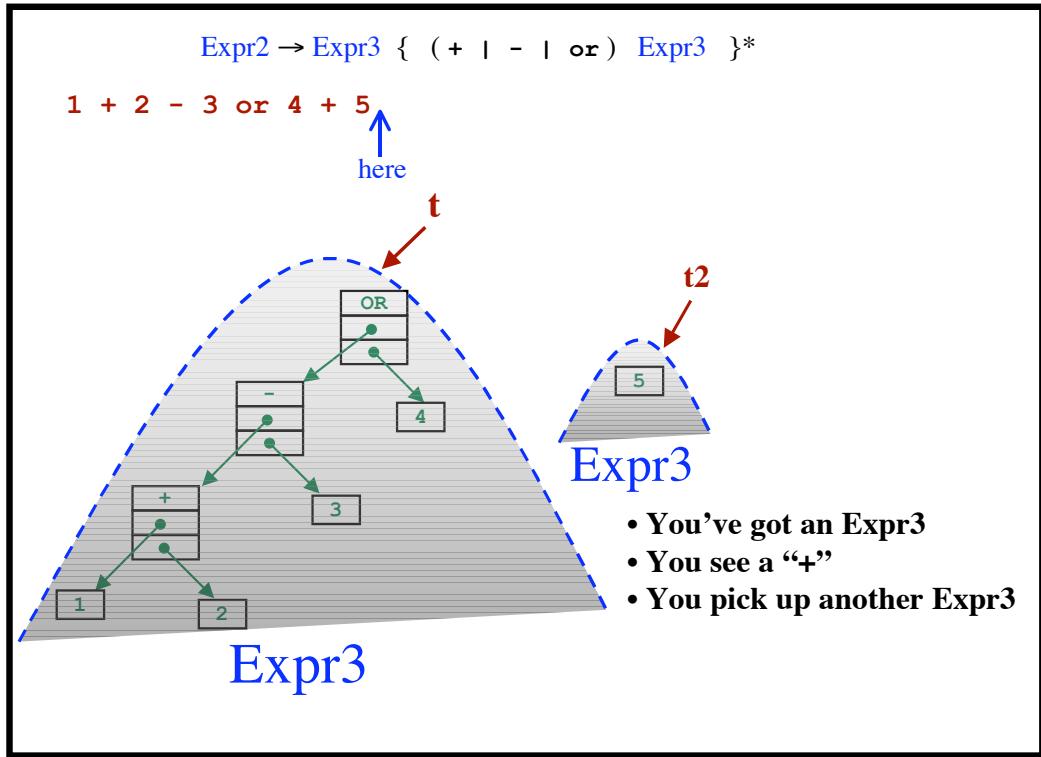
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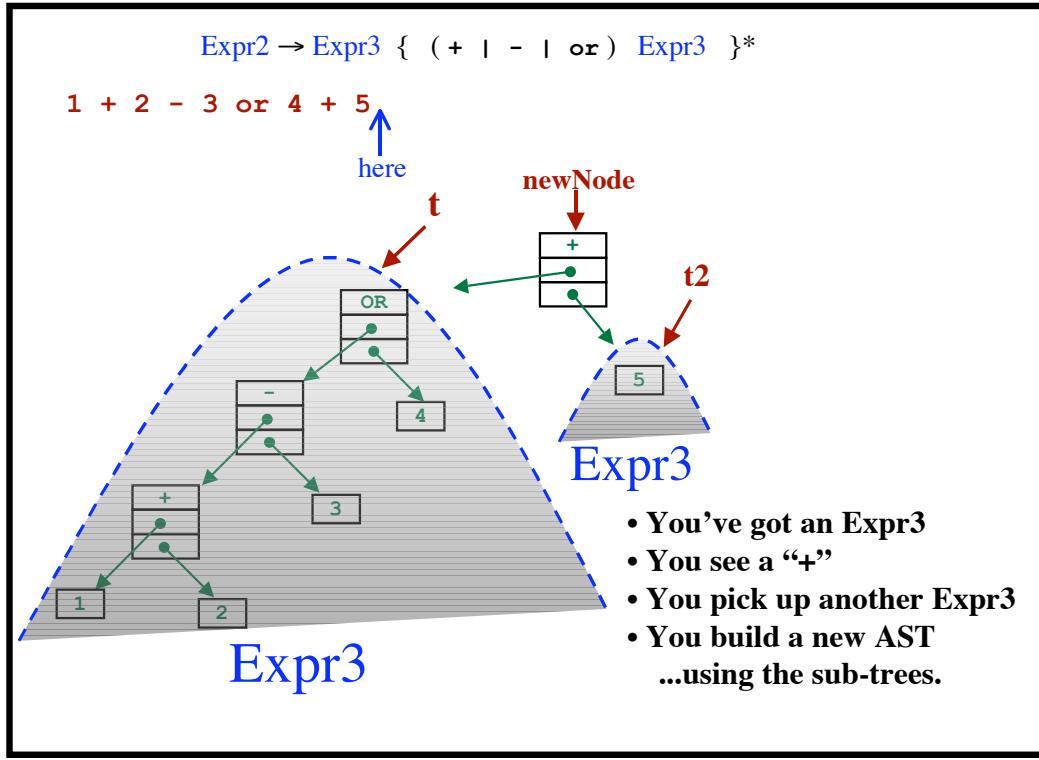
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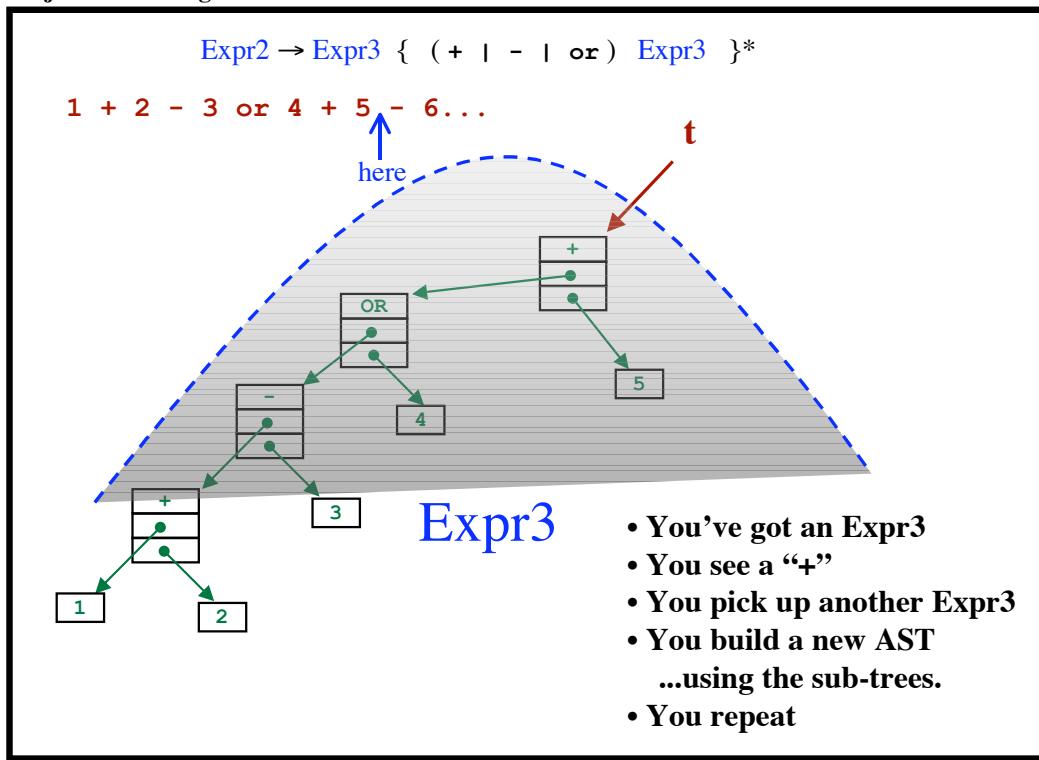
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## Outline of ParseExpr2

```

void parseExpr2 () {
    parseExpr3()
    while (nextToken == '+' or
            nextToken == '-' or
            nextToken == 'OR') do

        scan()
        parseExpr3()

    endWhile
    return
}

```

## Outline of ParseExpr2

```

Ast.Expr parseExpr2 () {
    t = parseExpr3()
    while (nextToken == '+' or
            nextToken == '-' or
            nextToken == 'OR') do
        op = nextToken
        scan()
        t2 = parseExpr3()
        newNode = new Ast.BinaryOp()
        newNode.op = op
        newNode.expr1 = t
        newNode.expr2 = t2
        t = newNode
    endWhile
    return t
}

```

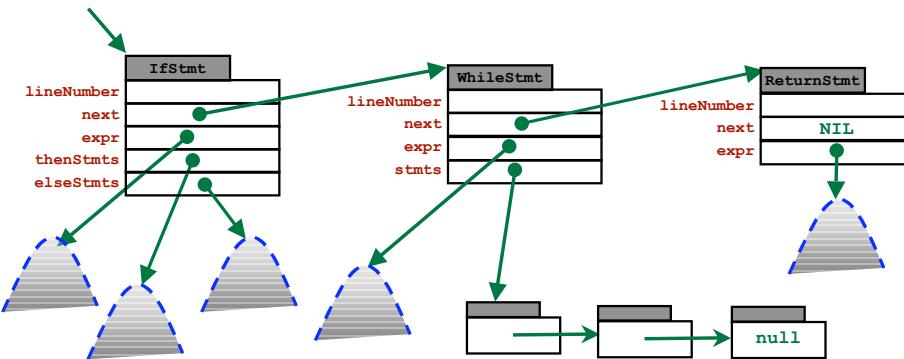
## Statement Lists

```
abstract class Stmt extends Node {
    Ast.Stmt next;
}

class IfStmt extends Stmt {
    Ast.Expr expr;
    Ast.Stmt thenStmts;
    Ast.Stmt elseStmts;
}

...
```

*parseStmts returns a pointer to  
a linked list of Stmt nodes  
(possibly null)*



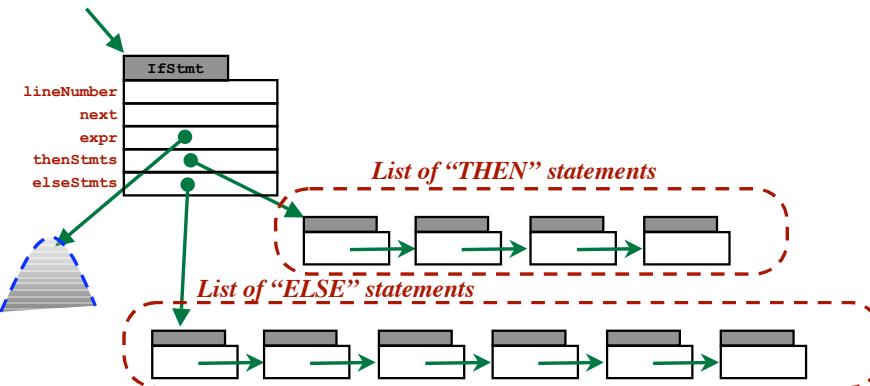
## Lists

- List of Stmt Nodes  
`x:=4; y:=5; return x*y;`
- List of Argument Nodes  
`foo (4, x+y, 6, b-5)`
- List of VarDecl Nodes  
`var x,y,z: Integer := 43;  
a,b,c: Real := 4.5;`
- List of TypeDecl Nodes  
`type T1 is ...;  
MyArray is ...;`
- List of ProcDecl Nodes
- List of Formal Nodes  
`procedure foo (x,y:Integer, a,b,c:Real) is ...`
- List of FieldDecl Nodes  
`record f1:Integer, f2:Real, f3:MyArray, ... end`
- List of FieldInit Nodes  
`MyRec { f1=4; f2=3.14, f3=arr, ... }`
- List of ArrayValue Nodes  
`MyArray {{ 5, 7, 9, 11, 13 }}`

*Always linked on a field called "next".*

## IF-THEN-ELSE Statements

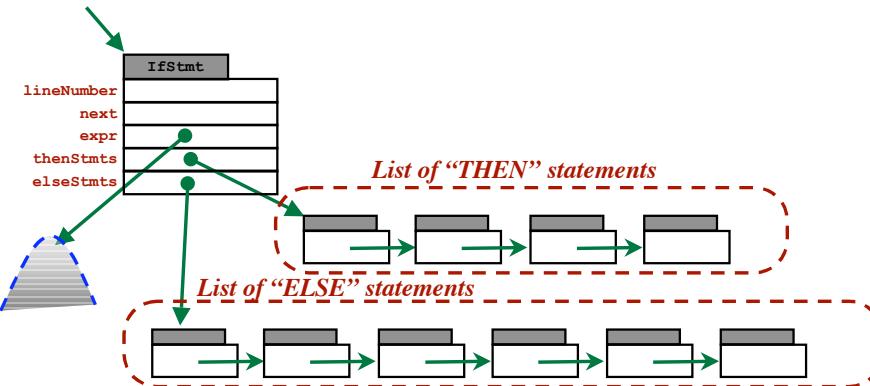
```
if expr then
    thenStmts
else
    elseStmts
end;
```



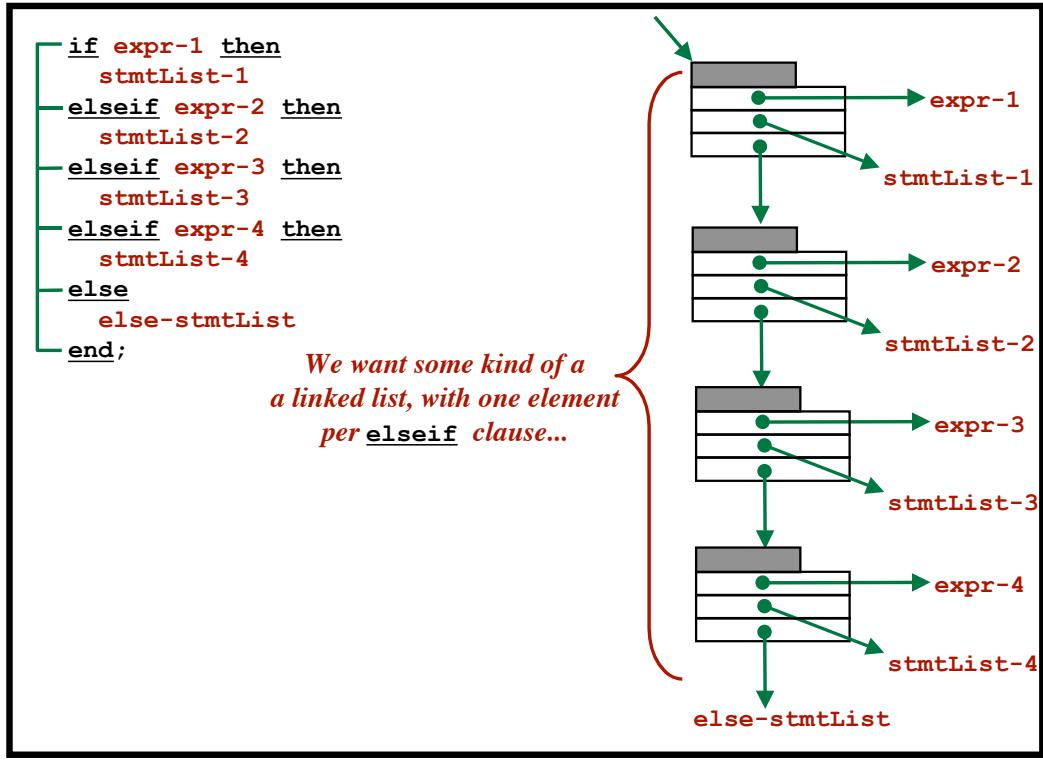
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```
if expr then
    thenStmts
else
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end;
```

*No provision for the "else-if" clause!!!*



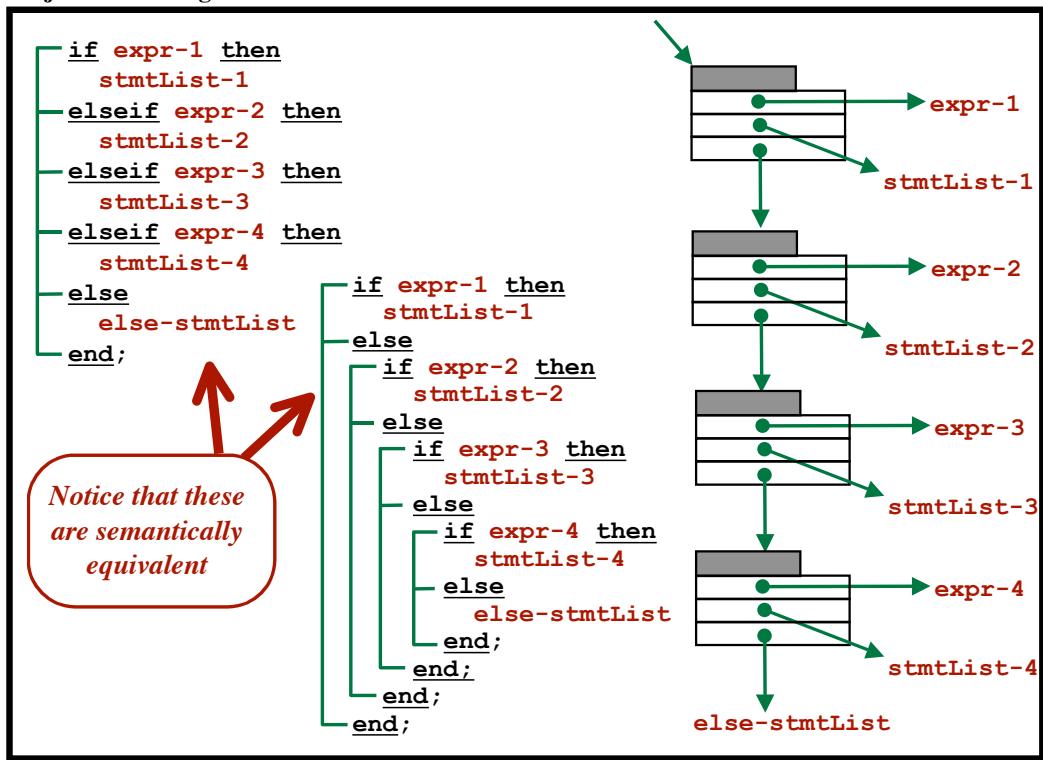
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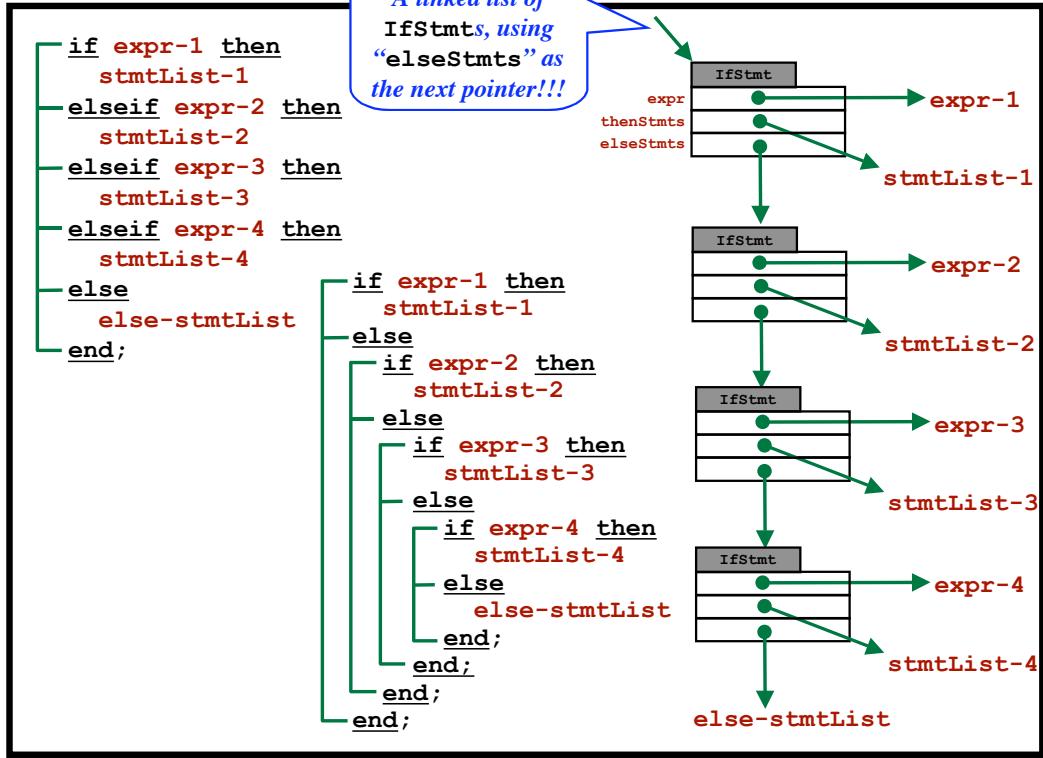
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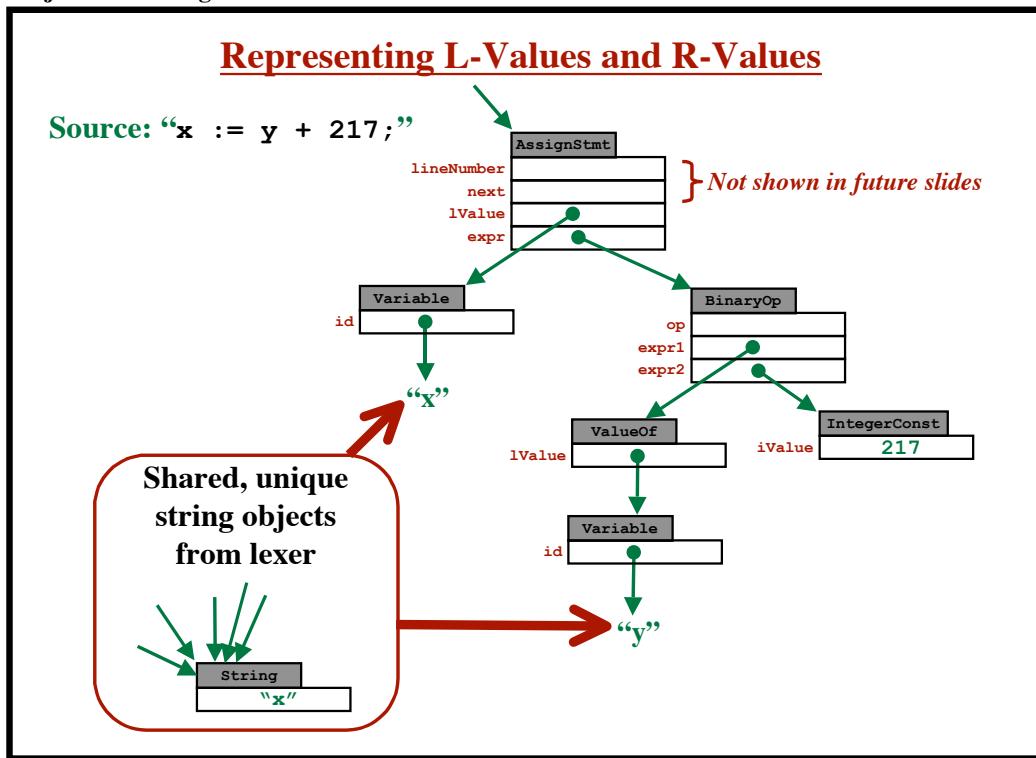
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## Representing L-Values and R-Values

Class Hierarchy:

```

LValue
  Variable
  ArrayDeref
  RecordDeref

```

Whenever an L-Value is used as an R-Value...

There must be a **ValueOf** node inserted.

An **LValue** is not a kind of expression.

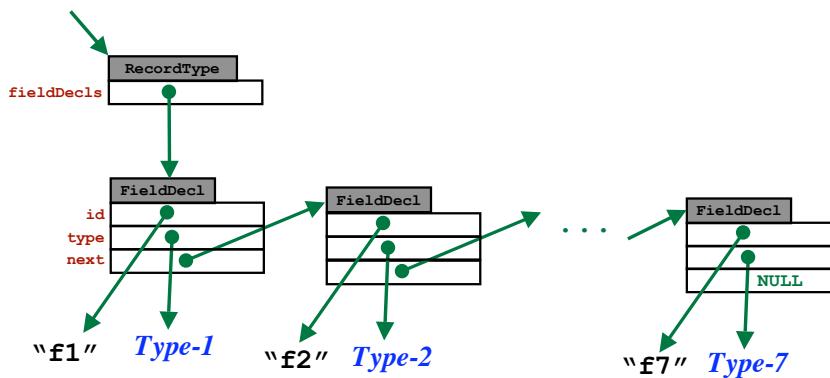
...but a “**ValueOf**” is!

## Record Types

```

type MyRec is record
  f1: ...Type-1... ;
  f2: ...Type-2... ;
  ...
  f7: ...Type-7... ;
end;

```



## The Body Node

Example:

*All of this grouping info will be  
Lost in the representation:*

```

type T1 is ...;
      T2 is ...;
var x,y,z: ...;
      a,b,c: ...;
procedure
      foo() is ... end;
      bar() is ... end;
type T3 is ...;
      T4 is ...;
      T5 is ...;
var i,j: ...;
procedure
      goo() is ... end;
begin
      ...
end;

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  ...
end;

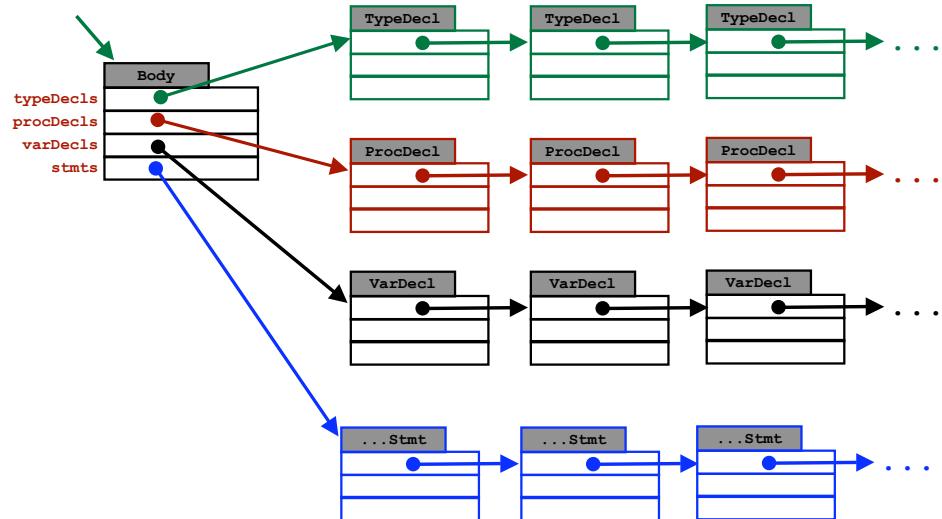
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```

type T1 is ...; } Type Decl
      T2 is ...;
      T3 is ...;
      T4 is ...;
      T5 is ...;
procedure foo() is ... end; } Proc Decl
    bar() is ... end;
    goo() is ... end;
var x,y,z: ...; } Var Decl
      a,b,c: ...;
      i,j: ...;
begin
  ...
end; } Stmt List

```

## The Body Node



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```

Ast.Body parseBody () {
    b = new Ast.Body ();
    // All lists initialized to null
    parseDecls (b);
    b.smts = parseStmts ();
    return b;
}

void parseDecls (Ast.Body b) {
    while (true) {
        if nextToken=="TYPE" then
            list = parseTypeDecl();
            ...Append list to end of b.typeDecls...
        elseif nextToken=="PROC" then
            list = parseProcDecl();
            ...Append list to end of b.procDecls...
        elseif nextToken=="VAR" then
            list = parseVarDecl();
            ...Append list to end of b.varDecls...
        elseif nextToken=="BEGIN" then
            return;
        else
            syntaxError();
        endIf
    }
}

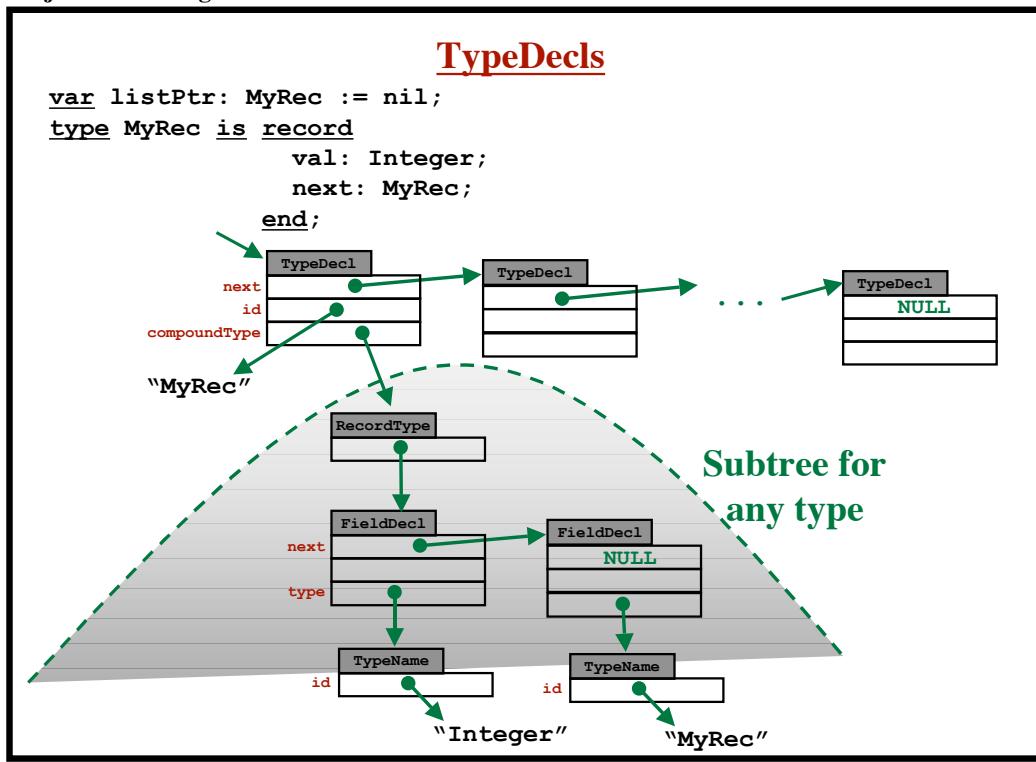
```

An “inherited” attribute

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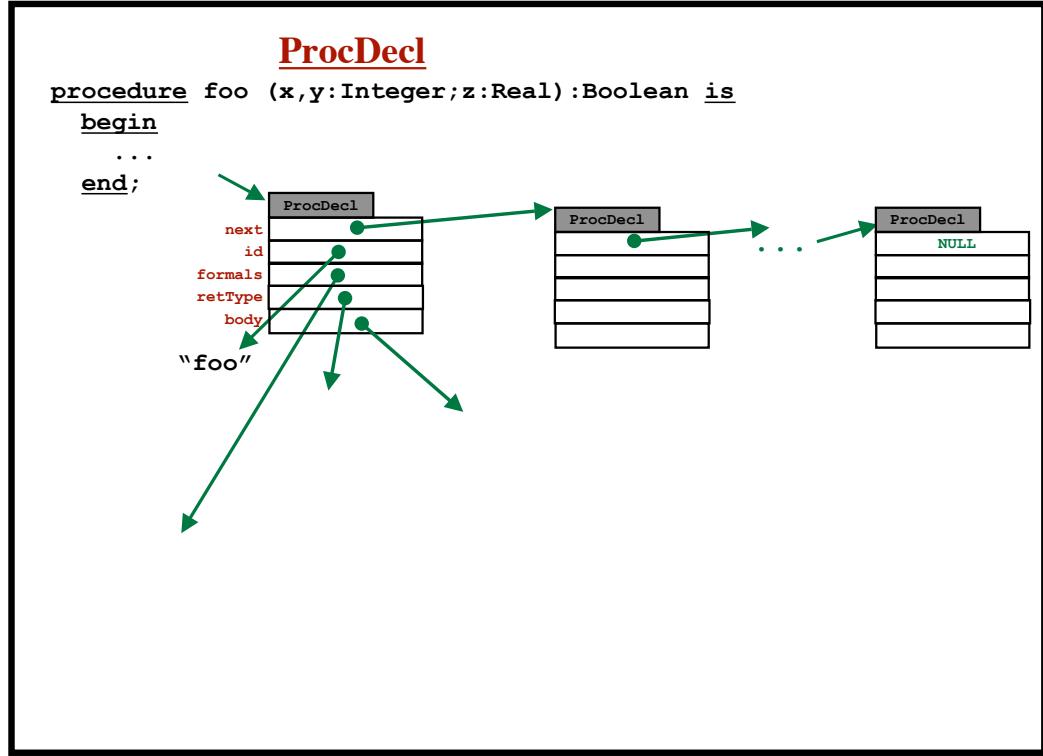
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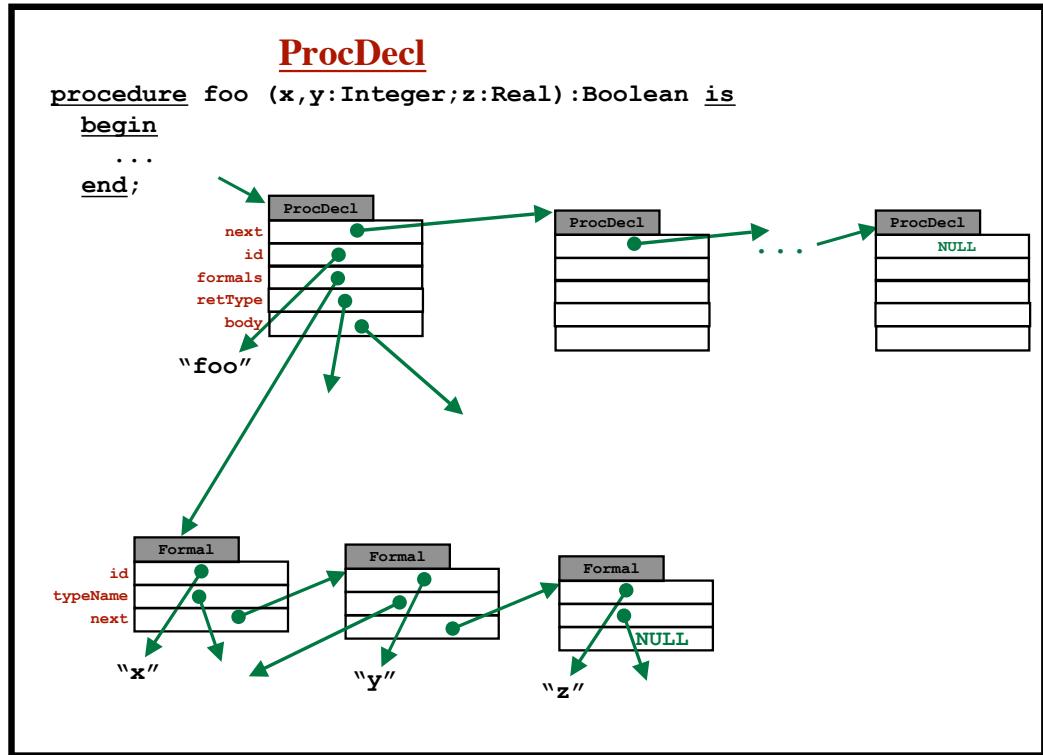
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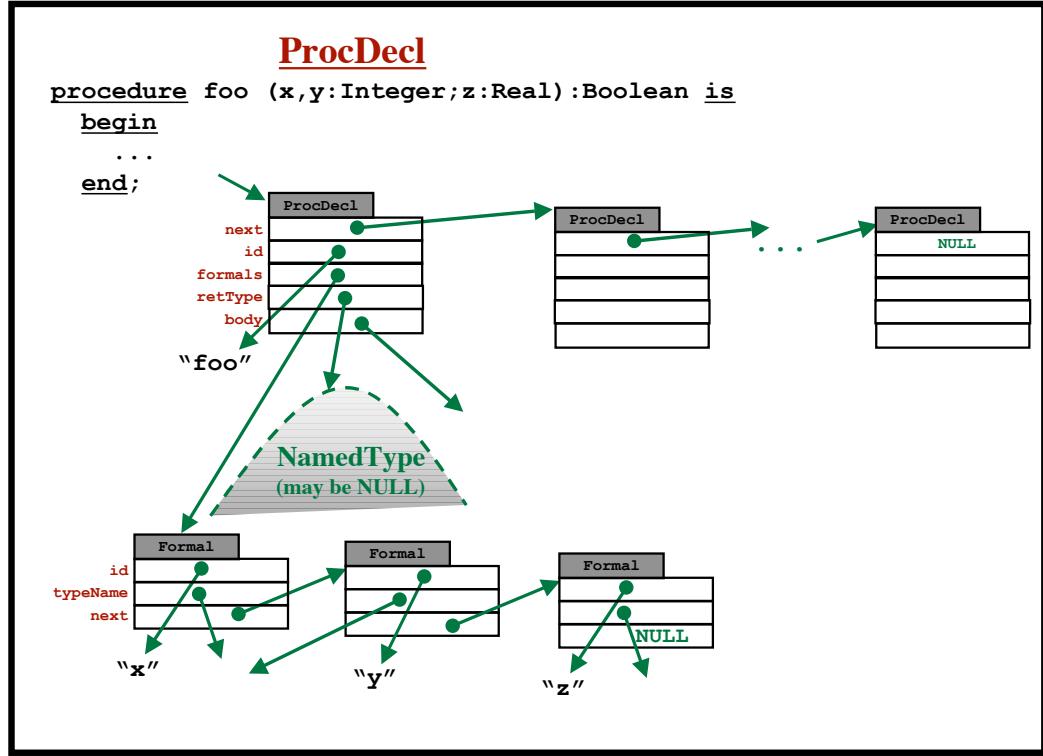
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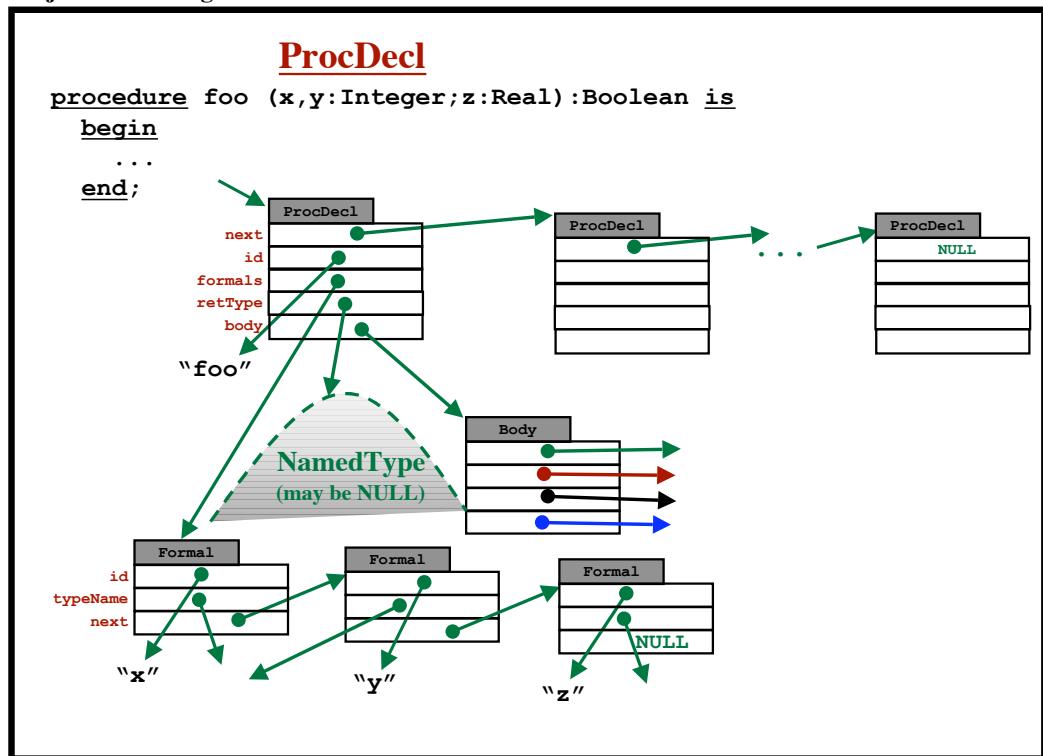
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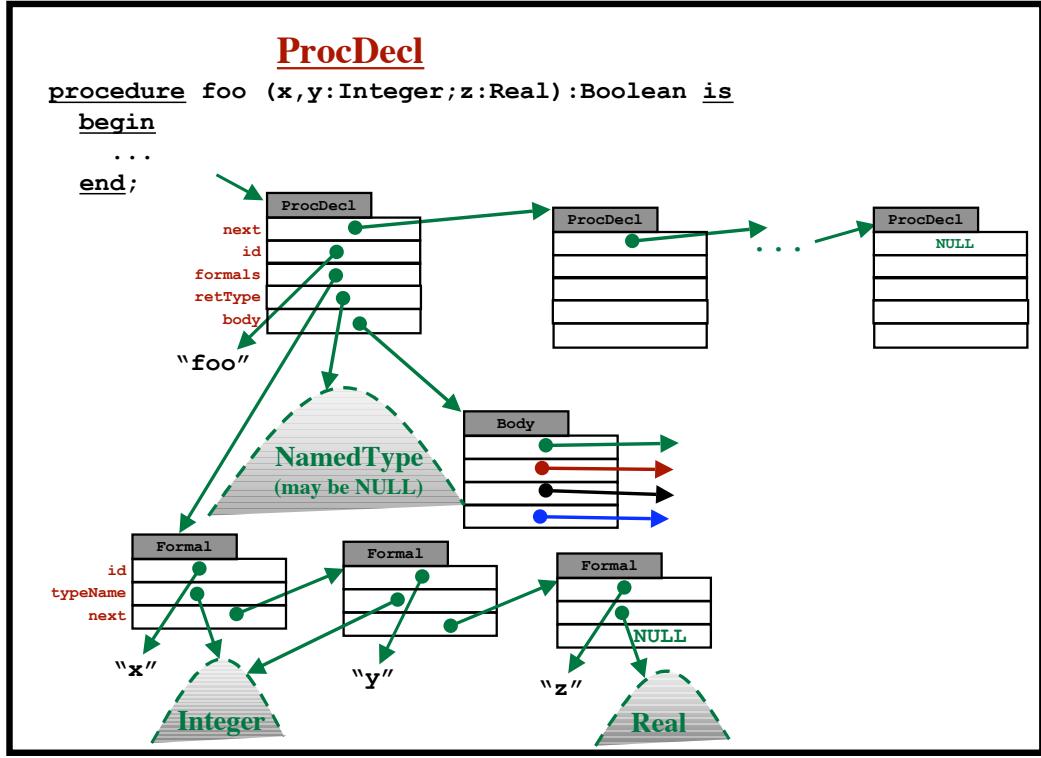
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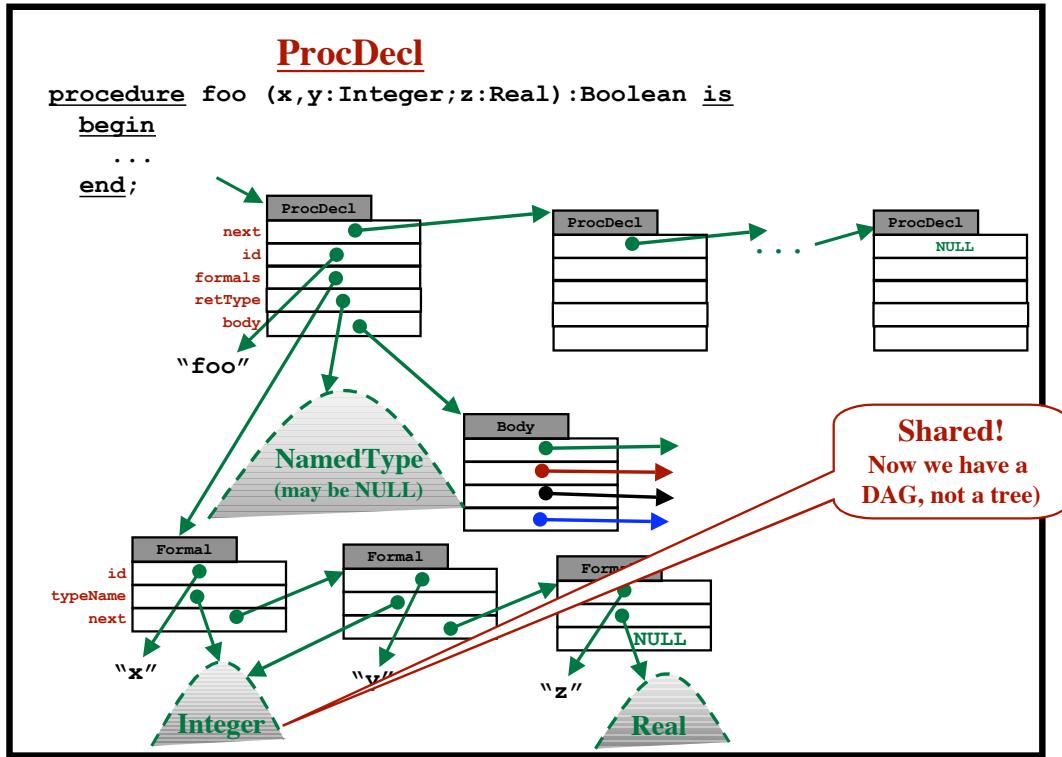
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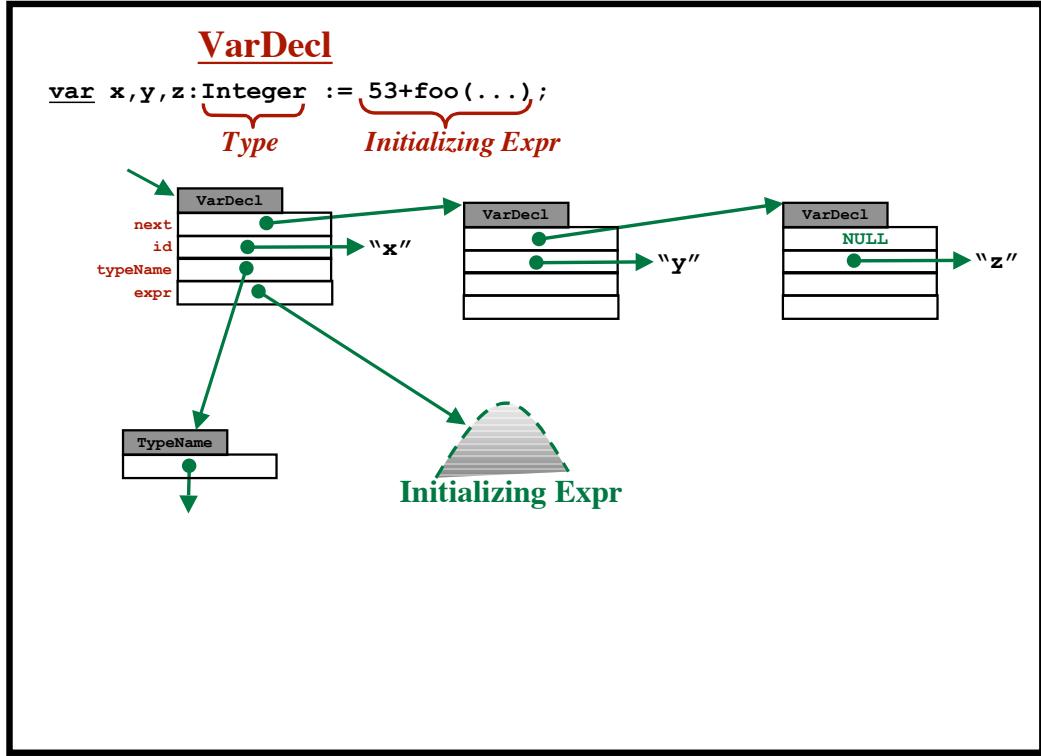
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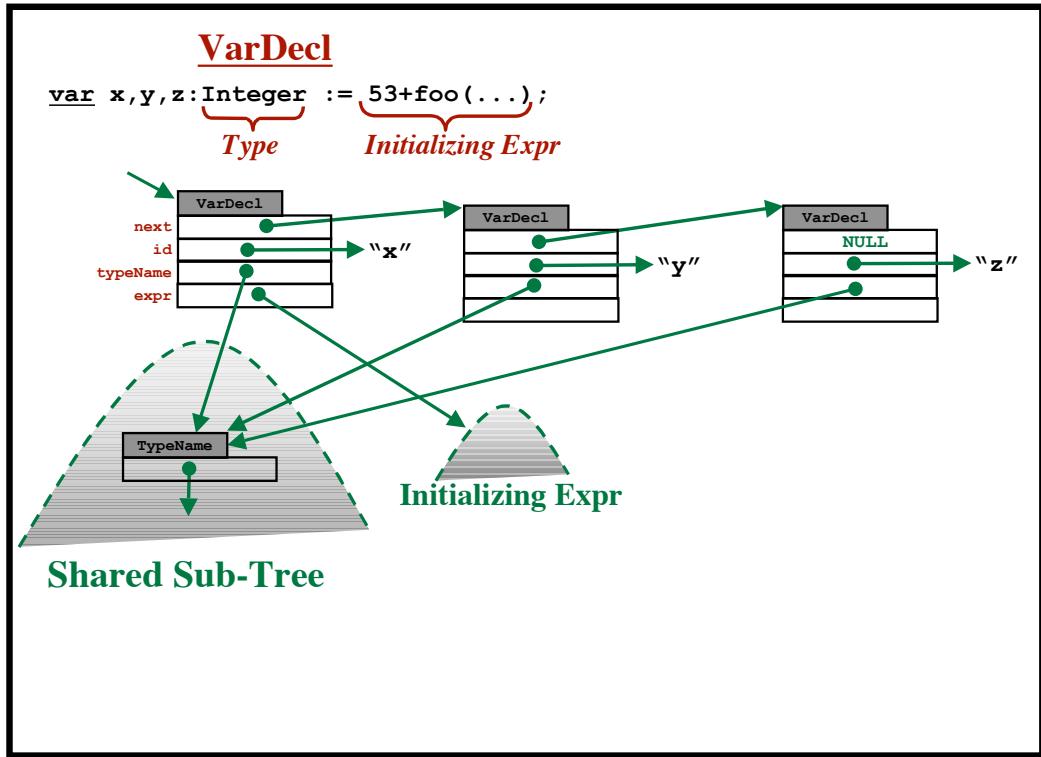
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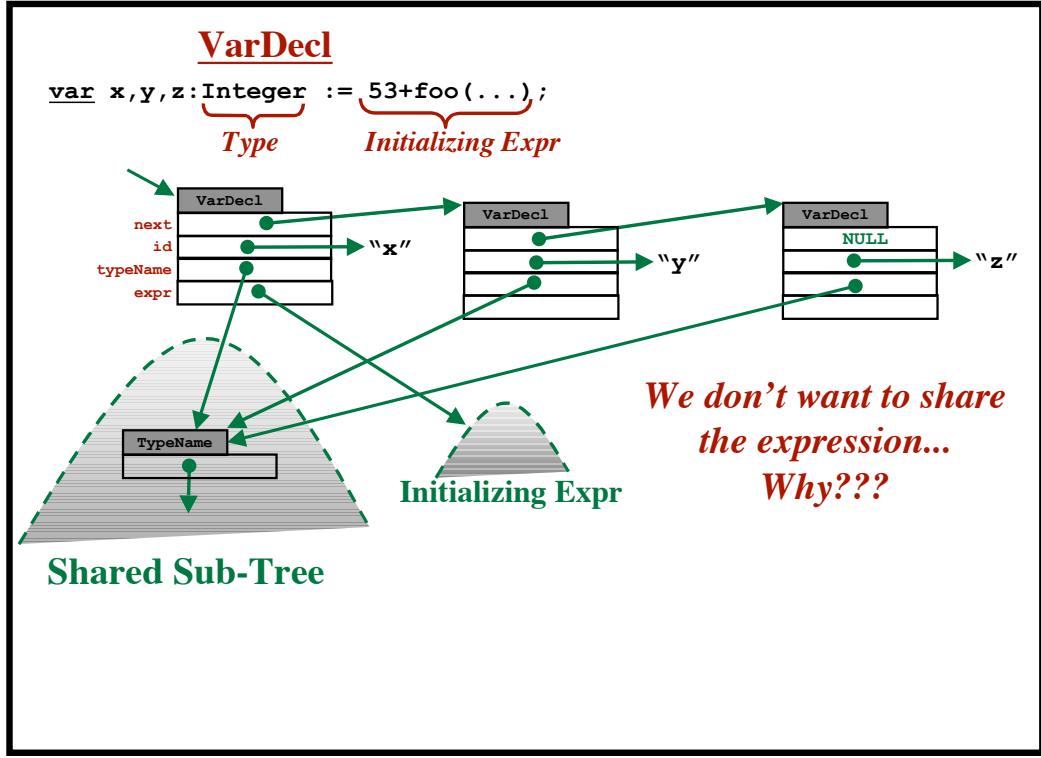
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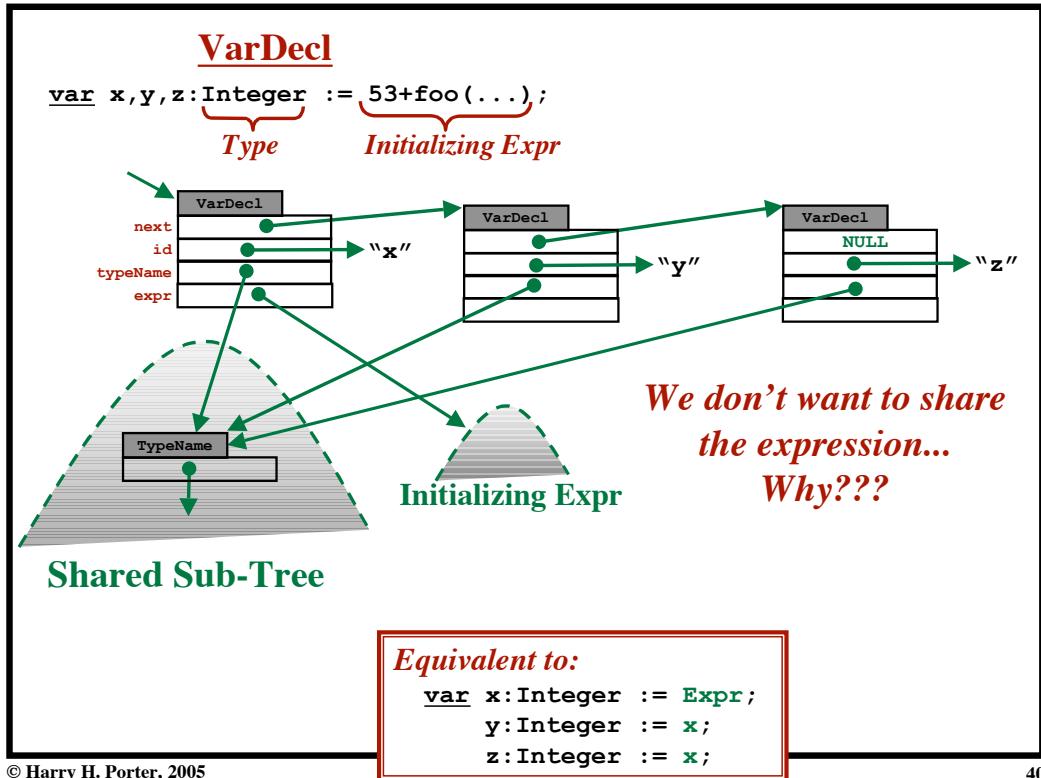
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