

CSc 553

Principles of Compilation

28 : Optimization III

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Introduction

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Computing Data-Flow Info.

- There are two principal methods of solving data-flow problems:
 - 1 Let `gen`, `kill`, `in`, `out` be AST attributes and the data-flow equations attribute evaluation rules. We'll look at this later.
 - 2 Treat data-flow equations as recurrences, and iterate over the set of equations until a solution is found.
- Sets are stored as bit-vectors, with one element for each possible object.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{in}[B1] &= \{d_3, d_5, d_7\} \\ &\equiv \begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ d_1 & d_2 & d_3 & d_4 & d_5 & d_6 & d_7 & d_8 \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

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Data-flow Analysis by Iteration

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{out}[B] &= \text{gen}[B] \cup (\text{in}[B] - \text{kill}[B]) \\ \text{in}[B] &= \bigcup_{\text{preds } P \text{ of } B} \text{out}[P] \end{aligned}$$

- A definition $d : a := b + c$ reaches a use of a at point p , if the value given to a at d could be used at p .
- $\text{gen}[B]$ is the set of definitions generated within B , that reach the end of B .
- $\text{kill}[B]$ is the set of definitions outside B , killed by definitions within B .
- $\text{in}[B]$ is the set of definitions valid at the entrance to B , $\text{out}[B]$ is those valid at the exit of B .
- The equations for in and out are valid for each basic block.

- Compute gen and kill for each block.
- Set up the $2n$ in - and out -equations for the n basic blocks, and set $\text{in}[B] = \text{out}[B] = \{\}$ for each block B .
- Repeat until no more changes:
 - For each block B eval. $\text{in}[B]$ & $\text{out}[B]$.

Formal Algorithm:

```

FOR each block B DO
  out[B] := in[B] := { };
END;
WHILE any out[B] has changed DO
  FOR each block B DO
    in[B] :=  $\bigcup_{\text{preds } P \text{ of } B} \text{out}[P]$ 
    out[B] :=  $\text{gen}[B] \cup (\text{in}[B] - \text{kill}[B])$ 
  END;
END
  
```

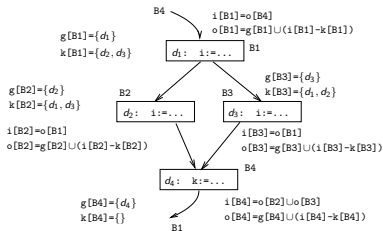
Iterative Alg. Example I (a)

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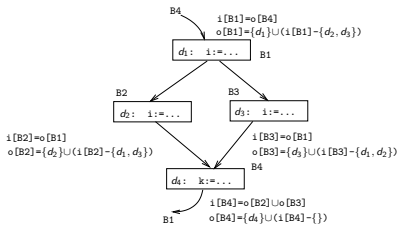
REPEAT
  d1: i := ...;
      IF ... THEN
  d2: i := ...
      ELSE
  d3: i := ...
      ENDIF;
  d4: k := ...
UNTIL ...;
  
```

- Start by setting up the $2n$ in - and out -equations (slide (b)).
- Simplify the example by inlining gen and kill into the equations for in and out (slide (c)).
- Visit each block in turn (we use numerical order, B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4) and evaluate in and out (slides (d)–(g)).

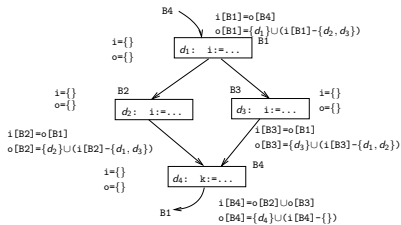
Iterative Alg. Example I (b)



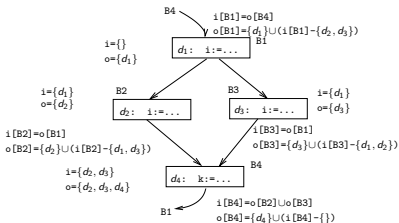
Iterative Alg. Example I (c) – Simplified



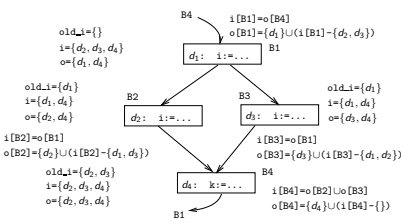
Iterative Alg. Example I (d) – Initialized

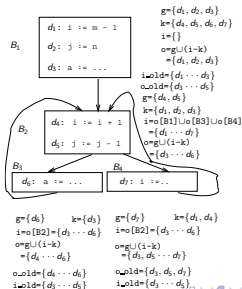
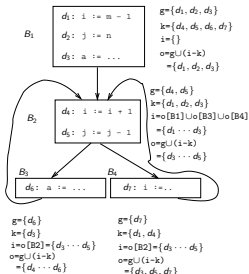
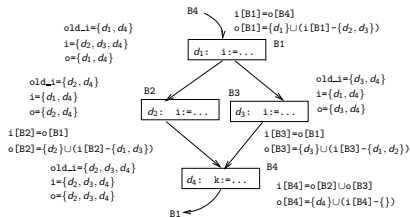


Iterative Alg. Example I (e) – 1st Iteration



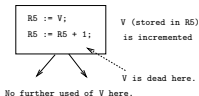
Iterative Alg. Example I (f) – 2nd Iteration



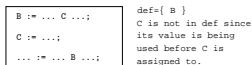


Live Variable Analysis

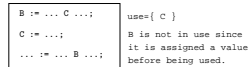
- For each definition/use of a variable V , **Global Live Variable Analysis** answers the question *"Could the value of V computed/used here be used further on in the program?"*
- If a variable V is stored in a register $R5$ and V is dead at the end of the block, then we don't have to store $R5$ back into V .
- Assignments to dead variables can be removed.



- in[B]** Variables live on entrance to B.
- out[B]** Variables live on exit from B.
- def[B]** Variables assigned values in B before the variable is used:



- use[B]** Variables whose values are used before being assigned to:

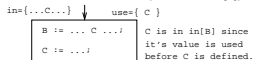


Data-Flow (Equations):

$$\text{in}[B] = \text{use}[B] \cup (\text{out}[B] - \text{def}[B])$$

Data-Flow (English):

- V is live at the entrance to B if
 - it is being used before it's defined (i.e. $V \in \text{use}[B]$)



- it is live at the exit of the block, and it is not defined within the block (i.e. $V \in \text{out}[B]$ and $V \notin \text{def}[B]$)



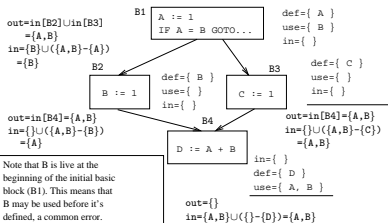
Data-Flow (Equations):

$$\text{out}[B] = \bigcup_{S \text{ of } B} \text{in}[S]$$

Data-Flow (English):

- A variable V is live coming out of B if it is live going into any one of B's successors.





$out[B4] = \{ \}$ since out is the union of all of B4's successor's in, and B4 doesn't have any successors.

$in[B4] = \{ \}$ because both A & B are live coming in to B4, i.e. their values will be used before they are assigned new values.

$out[B3] = in[B4] = \{ A, B \}$ because the values of A and B will be used in B3's successor block, B4. Note that since $C \notin out[B3]$ C's value is *dead* and the assignment `C := 1` can be removed.

$out[B1] = \{ A \} \cup \{ A, B \} = \{ A, B \}$ since if we take the left branch (through B2) A will be used further on, and if we take the right branch (through B3) both A and B will have a future use.

$in[B1] = \{ B \}$ since B's value is used but not defined in B.

Classification — Forward vs. Backward Flow

Classifying Data-Flow Problems

- Data-flow problems can be classified according to the direction of flow:
 - Forward-flow problems:** Data flows from the initial block to the end block.
 - Out-sets are computed from In-sets within basic blocks,
 - In-sets are computed from Out-sets across basic blocks.
 - Backward-flow problems:** Data flows from the end block to the initial block.
 - In-sets are computed from Out-sets within basic blocks,
 - Out-sets are computed from In-sets across basic blocks.

	Forward-Flow	Backward-Flow
Any Path	$o_B = g_B \cup (i_B - k_B)$ $i_B = \bigcup_{b \in P(B)} o_b$	$i_B = g_B \cup (o_B - k_B)$ $o_B = \bigcup_{b \in S(B)} i_b$
All Paths	$o_B = g_B \cup (i_B - k_B)$ $i_B = \bigcap_{b \in P(B)} o_b$	$i_B = g_B \cup (o_B - k_B)$ $o_B = \bigcap_{b \in S(B)} i_b$

- $P(B)$ = Predecessors of B , $S(B)$ = Successors of B .
- $i_B = in_B$, $o_B = out_B$, $g_B = gen_B$, $k_B = kill_B$, $o_b = out_b$,
 $i_b = in_b$.

- We classify data-flow problems by the way they combine incoming information:

Any-path problems: All values coming in to a block are valid. Use \cup .

All-path problems: Only values coming in to a block through every path are valid. Use \cap .

	Forward-Flow	Backward-Flow
Any Path	Reaching Definitions Uninitialized Variables	Live Variables Du-chains
All Paths	Available Expressions Copy Propagation	Very Busy Expressions

Summary I

Summary

- Read the Dragon Book: 608–611, 614–615, 618, 620–622, 624–633.
- With B blocks & bit-vectors of length V , iterative data-flow analysis is $\mathcal{O}(B^2 \times V)$ in the worst case.

Homework

- Show each step of the iterative reaching definitions algorithm applied to the procedure body below:

```

K := 1; I := 2;
REPEAT
  IF I = 4 THEN
    A := K + 1;
  ELSE
    A := K + 2;
    I := I + A;
  ENDIF;
UNTIL I <= 10;
K := K + A;

```

Exam Problem I (a) [07.430 '95]

Exam Problems

- An expression E is *very busy* if – regardless of which path we take through the flow graph – E 's value will be used before it is killed. Example ($A+3$ is *very busy*):

```

(1)  BEGIN
(2)    IF expr THEN
(3)      V := A + 3;
(4)      R := K + 3;
(5)    ELSE
(6)      Z := A + 3;
(7)      K := 5;
(8)      L := K + 3;
(9)    END;
(10) END

```


Data-Flow Equations:

- The data-flow equations for computing very busy expressions are:

$$\text{in}[B] = \text{used}[B] \cup (\text{out}[B] - \text{killed}[B])$$

$$\text{out}[B] = \bigcap_{S \text{ of } B} \text{in}[S]$$

Problems:

- Give an iterative pseudo-code routine for computing `in` and `out`.
- Is *very-busy expressions* a forward-flow or a backward-flow problem?
- Show the workings of the algorithm on the procedure body in the next slide:



BEGIN

X := 5;

Y := 10;

IF e_1 THEN

IF e_2 THEN

A := X * Y;

ELSE

B := 3;

V := X * Y;

X := 1;

END;

ELSE

Y := 2;

A := X * Y;

END

END

