CSc 553

Principles of Compilation

28 : Optimization III

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Introduction

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.

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

Data-flow Analysis by Iteration

Reaching Definitions — Equations

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

- 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.
- `gen[B]` is the set of definitions generated within `B`, that reach the end of `B`.
- `kill[B]` is the set of definitions outside `B`, killed by definitions within `B`.
- `in[B]` is the set of definitions valid at the entrance to `B`, `out[B]` is those valid at the exit of `B`.
- The equations for `in` and `out` are valid for each basic block.

Iterative Algorithms I

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

Formal Algorithm:

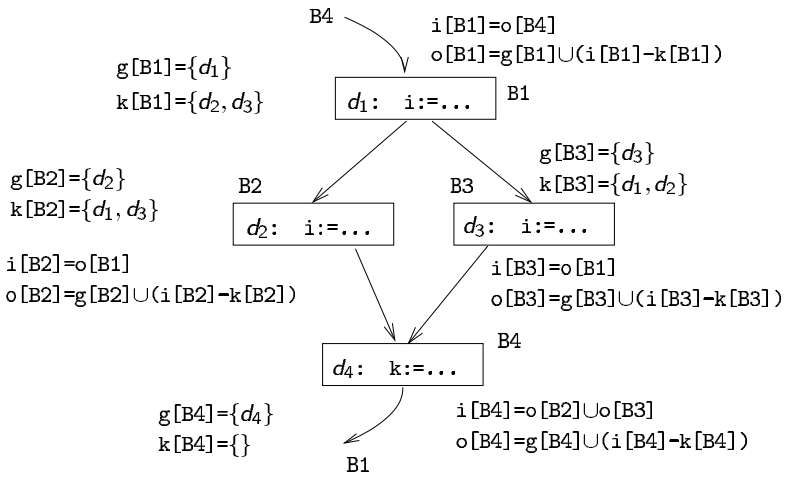
```
FOR each block B DO
   out[B] := in[B] := { };
END;
WHILE any out[B] has changed DO
   FOR each block B DO
      in[B] := ⋃_{preds P of B} out[P]
      out[B] := gen[B] ∪ (in[B] − kill[B])
   END;
END
```

Iterative Alg. Example I (a)

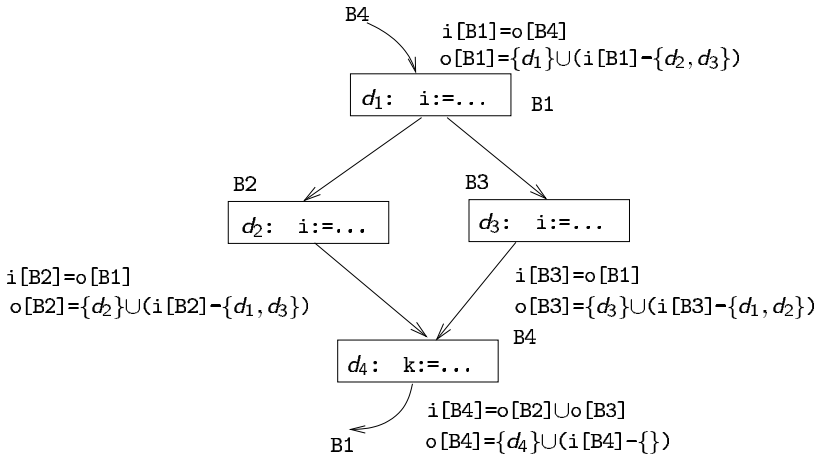
```
REPEAT
  d1: i := ...;
      IF ...THEN
  d2:   i := ...
      ELSE
  d3:   i := ...
      ENDIF;
  d4: k := ...
UNTIL ...;
```

- 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, `B1`, `B2`, `B3`, `B4`) and evaluate `in` and `out` (slides (d)–(g)).

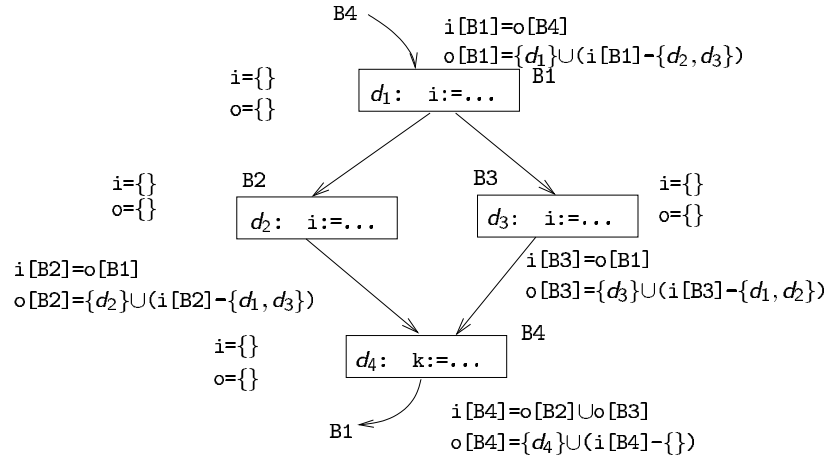
Iterative Alg. Example I (b)



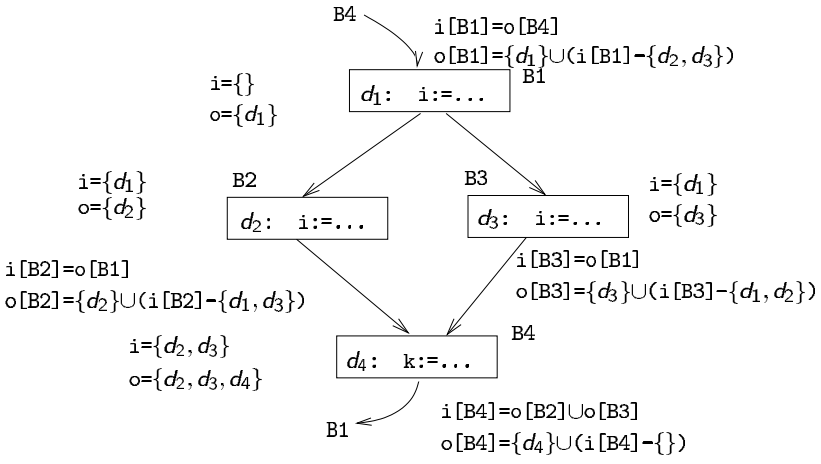
Iterative Alg. Example I (c) – Simplified



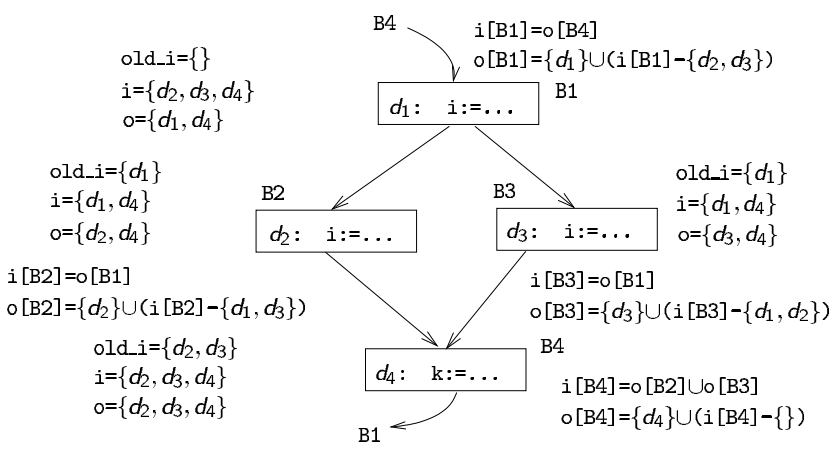
Iterative Alg. Example I (d) – Initialized



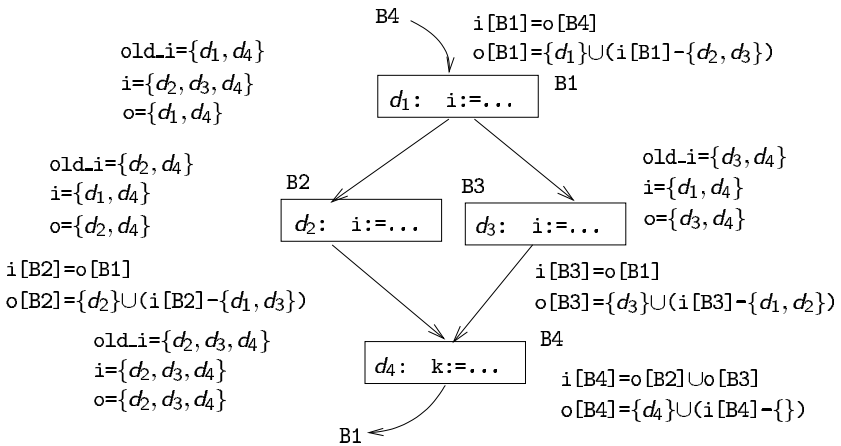
Iterative Alg. Example I (e) – 1st Iteration



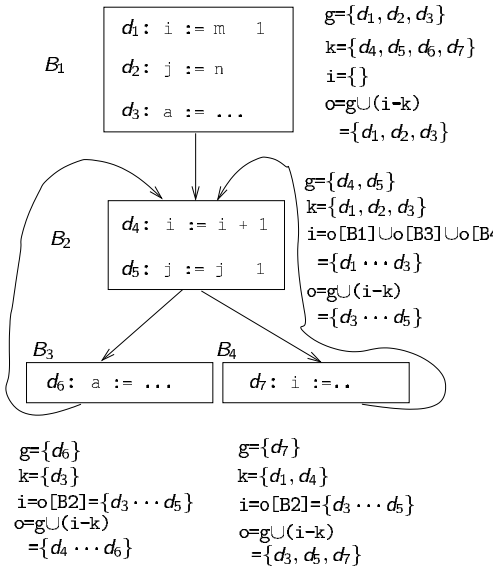
Iterative Alg. Example I (f) – 2nd Iteration



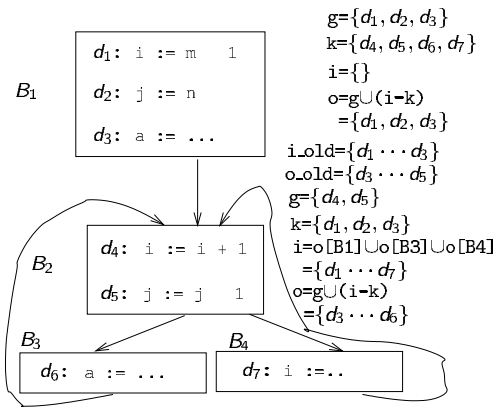
Iterative Alg. Example I (g) – 3rd Iteration



Example II (a) – 1st Iteration



Example II (b) – 2nd Iteration



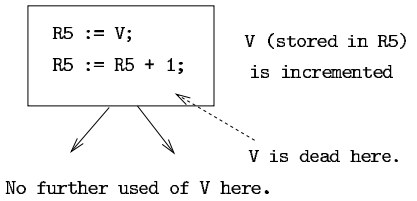
Live Variable Analysis

Live Variable Analysis I

- 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.



Live Variable Analysis II

`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:

```
B := ... C ...;
C := ...;
... := ... B ...;
```

def={ B }
C is not in def since its value is being used before C is assigned to.

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

```
B := ... C ...;
C := ...;
... := ... B ...;
```

use={ C }
B is not in use since it is assigned a value before being used.

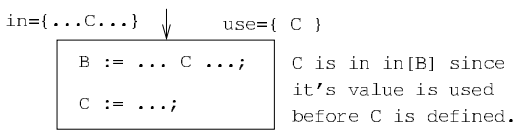
Live Variable Analysis III

Data-Flow (Equations):

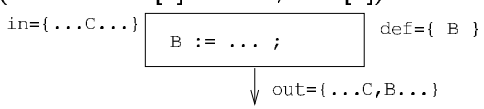
$$\texttt{in[B]} = \texttt{use[B]} \cup (\texttt{out[B]} - \texttt{def[B]})$$

Data-Flow (English):

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



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



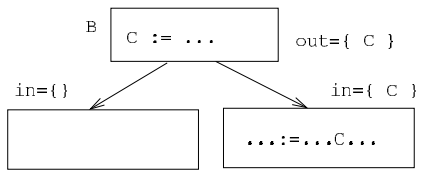
Live Variable Analysis IV

Data-Flow (Equations):

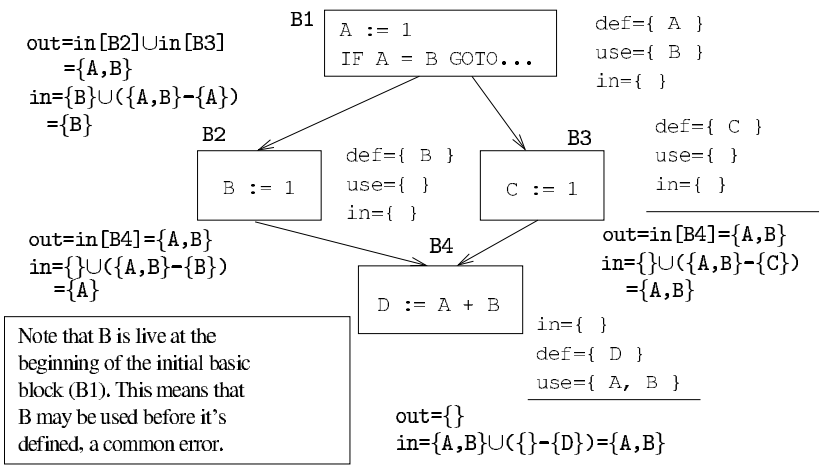
$$\texttt{out[B]} = \bigcup_{\substack{\text{successors} \\ S \text{ of } B}} \texttt{in[S]}$$

Data-Flow (English):

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



Live Variable Analysis V – Example



Live Variables VI – Example

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}∪{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.

Classifying Data-Flow Problems

Classification — Forward vs. Backward Flow

- 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 vs. Backward Flow — Equations

	Forward-Flow	Backward-Flow
Any Path	$\mathtt{o}_B = \mathtt{g}_B \cup (\mathtt{i}_B - \mathtt{k}_B)$ $\mathtt{i}_B = \bigcup_{b \in P(B)} \mathtt{o}_b$	$\mathtt{i}_B = \mathtt{g}_B \cup (\mathtt{o}_B - \mathtt{k}_B)$ $\mathtt{o}_B = \bigcup_{b \in S(B)} \mathtt{i}_b$
All Paths	$\mathtt{o}_B = \mathtt{g}_B \cup (\mathtt{i}_B - \mathtt{k}_B)$ $\mathtt{i}_B = \bigcap_{b \in P(B)} \mathtt{o}_b$	$\mathtt{i}_B = \mathtt{g}_B \cup (\mathtt{o}_B - \mathtt{k}_B)$ $\mathtt{o}_B = \bigcap_{b \in S(B)} \mathtt{i}_b$

- $P(B) =$ Predecessors of B, $S(B) =$ Successors of B.
- $\mathtt{i}_B = \mathtt{in}_B$, $\mathtt{o}_B = \mathtt{out}_B$, $\mathtt{g}_B = \mathtt{gen}_B$, $\mathtt{k}_B = \mathtt{kill}_B$, $\mathtt{o}_b = \mathtt{out}_b$, $\mathtt{i}_b = \mathtt{in}_b$.

Classification — Any- vs. All-Path

- 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 $\bigcup$.

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

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

Summary

Summary I

- 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

Homework I

- 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 Problems

Exam Problem I (a) [07.430 '95]

- 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
```

Exam Problem I (b) [07.430 '95]

Data-Flow Equations:

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

$$\begin{aligned} \texttt{in}[B] &= \texttt{used}[B] \cup (\texttt{out}[B] - \texttt{killed}[B]) \\ \texttt{out}[B] &= \bigcap_{\substack{\texttt{successors} \\ S \texttt{ of } B}} \texttt{in}[S] \end{aligned}$$

Problems:

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

Exam Problem I (c) [07.430 '95]

```
BEGIN
   X := 5;
   Y := 10;
   IF e1 THEN
      IF e2 THEN
         A := X * Y;
      ELSE
         B := 3;
         V := X * Y;
         X := 1;
      END;
   ELSE
      Y := 2;
      A := X * Y;
   END
END
```