

# **Dataflow Analysis + Intro to SSA**

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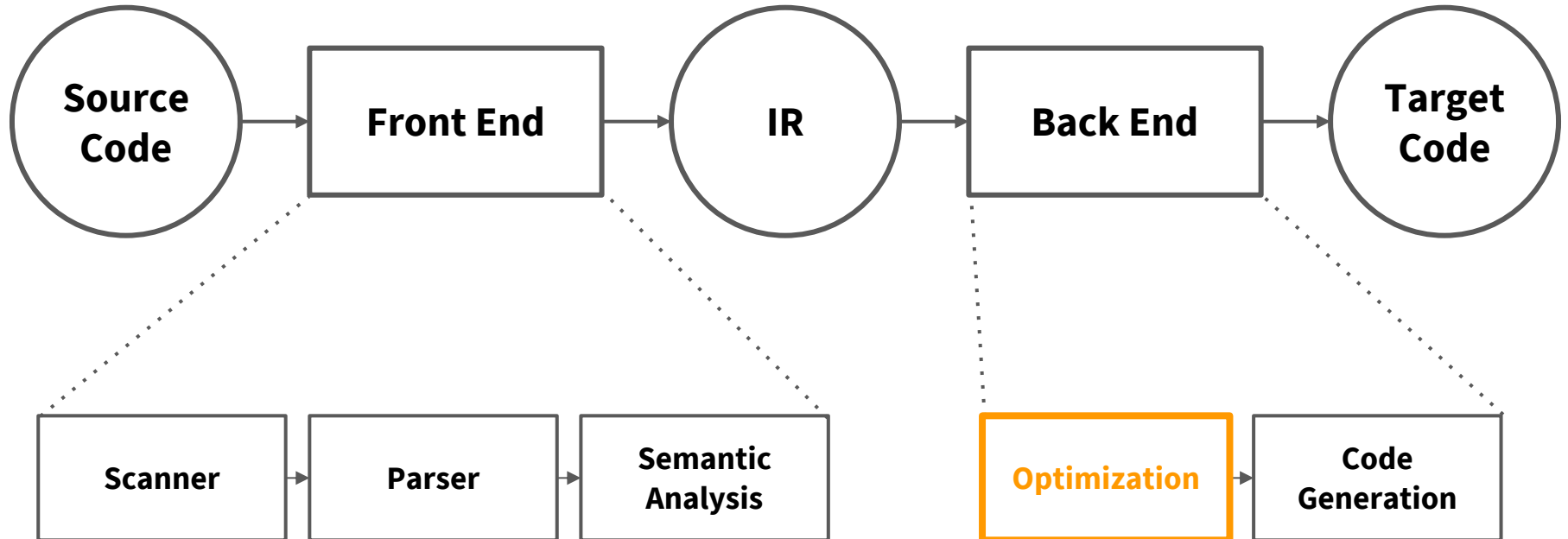
# Announcements

- CodeGen due tonight
  - Late days can be used on any – You have 2 free late days for CodeGen!
- 401 report due next Tuesday; M501 project/ report due next Saturday
- HW 4 due next Thursday

14:30-15:20 Lecture zoom link <i>Dataflow (cont.)</i>	24	25	14:30-15:20 Lecture zoom link <i>Dataflow (concl.); SSA (start)</i> ssa: slides	26	Memorial Day	31	23:00 Project: <i>CSE 401 project reports due</i> No late submissions accepted.	01	02	Section <i>Dataflow &amp; SSA</i> 23:00 Project: code generation due	27	14:30-15:20 Lecture zoom link <i>SSA (concl.); Backend overview; instruction selection</i>	28	14:30-15:20 Lecture zoom link <i>Garbage collection &amp; wrapup</i> 23:00 CSE M 501 <i>project due Saturday 11 pm</i> No late submissions accepted 23:00 CSE M 501 <i>report due Sunday 11 pm</i> No late submissions accepted	04
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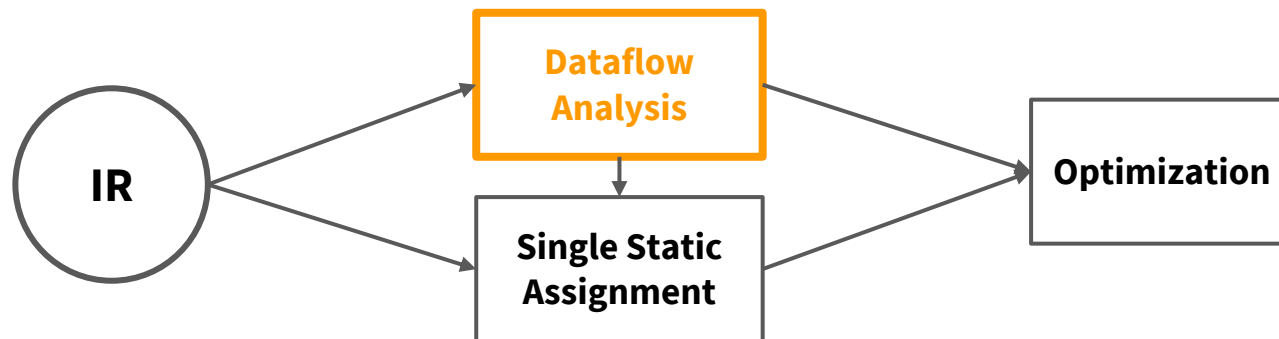
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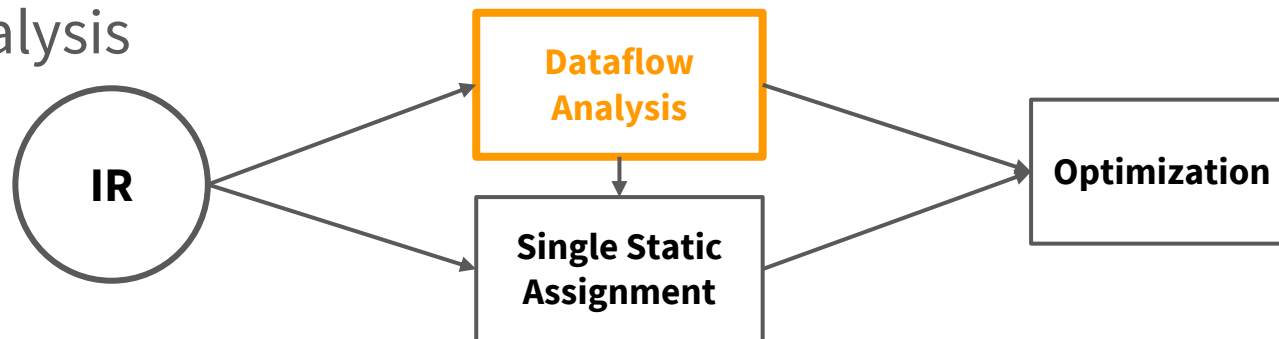
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- Operates using sets of “facts”
- Just the initial discovery phase
  - Changes can then be made to optimize based on the analysis



# Overview of Dataflow Analysis

- Basic Framework of Set Definitions (for a Basic Block  $b$ ):
  - $IN(b)$ : facts true on entry to  $b$
  - $OUT(b)$ : facts true on exit from  $b$
  - $GEN(b)$ : facts created (and not killed) in  $b$
  - $KILL(b)$ : facts killed in  $b$

## Reaching Definitions (A Dataflow Problem)

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- Could be used for:
  - Constant Propagation
  - Uninitialized Variables

```
int x;  
  
if (y > 0) {  
    x = y;  
} else {  
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}  
  
System.out.println(x);
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- **Be careful:** Does not involve the *value* of the definition
  - The dataflow problem “Available Expressions” is designed for that

```
int x;  
  
if (y > 0) {  
    x = y;  
} else {  
    x = 0;  
}  
  
y = -1;  
System.out.println(x);
```

still: “x=y”, “x=0”

## Equations for Reaching Definitions

- $IN(b)$ : the definitions reaching upon entering block  $b$
- $OUT(b)$ : the definitions reaching upon exiting block  $b$
- $GEN(b)$ : the definitions assigned and not killed in block  $b$
- $KILL(b)$ : the definitions of variables overwritten in block  $b$

$$IN(b) = \bigcup_{p \in \text{pred}(b)} OUT(p)$$

$$OUT(b) = GEN(b) \cup (IN(b) - KILL(b))$$

## Another *Equivalent* Set of Equations (from Lecture):

- Sets:
  - $\text{DEFOUT}(b)$  : set of definitions in  $b$  that reach the end of  $b$  (i.e., not subsequently redefined in  $b$ )
  - $\text{SURVIVED}(b)$  : set of all definitions not obscured by a definition in  $b$
  - $\text{REACHES}(b)$  : set of definitions that reach  $b$

- Equations:

$\text{REACHES}(b) =$

$$\left( \bigcup_{p \in \text{preds}(b)} \text{DEFOUT}(p) \right) \cup \left( \text{REACHES}(p) \cap \text{SURVIVED}(p) \right)$$

# Problems $1_a$ and $1_b$

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**Convergence!**

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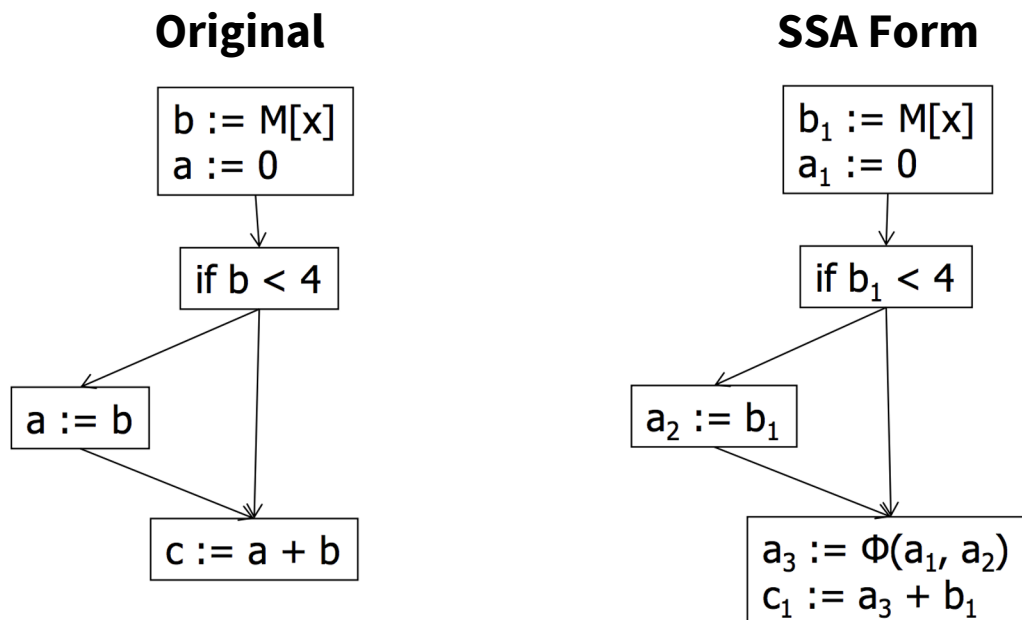
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No. To determine this, we would look at the IN set for block L1 -- the fact that the IN set contains two definitions of 'a' (L0 and L3) means we cannot perform this constant propagation. In other words, more than one definition of 'a' is a reaching definition to block L1, and therefore performing constant propagation would only preserve one possible value of 'a' and the generated code would not be equivalent.

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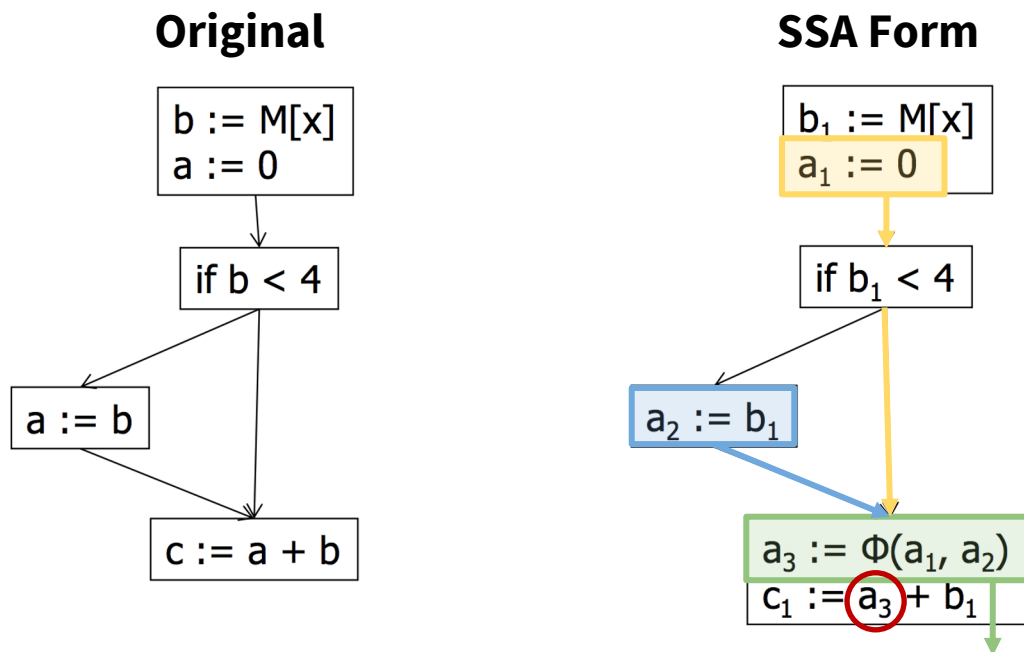
# Phi-Functions

- A way to represent multiple possible values for a certain definition
  - Not a “real” instruction – just a form of bookkeeping needed for SSA



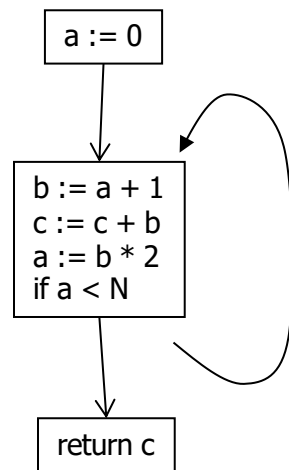
# Where to place Phi-Functions?

- Wherever a variable has multiple possible definitions entering a block
  - Inefficient (and unnecessary!) to consider all possible phi-functions at the start of each block

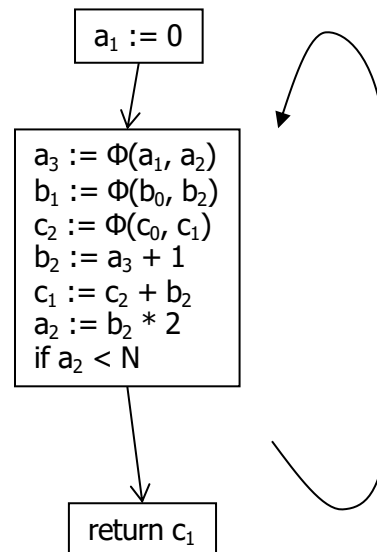


# Example With a Loop

Original



SSA

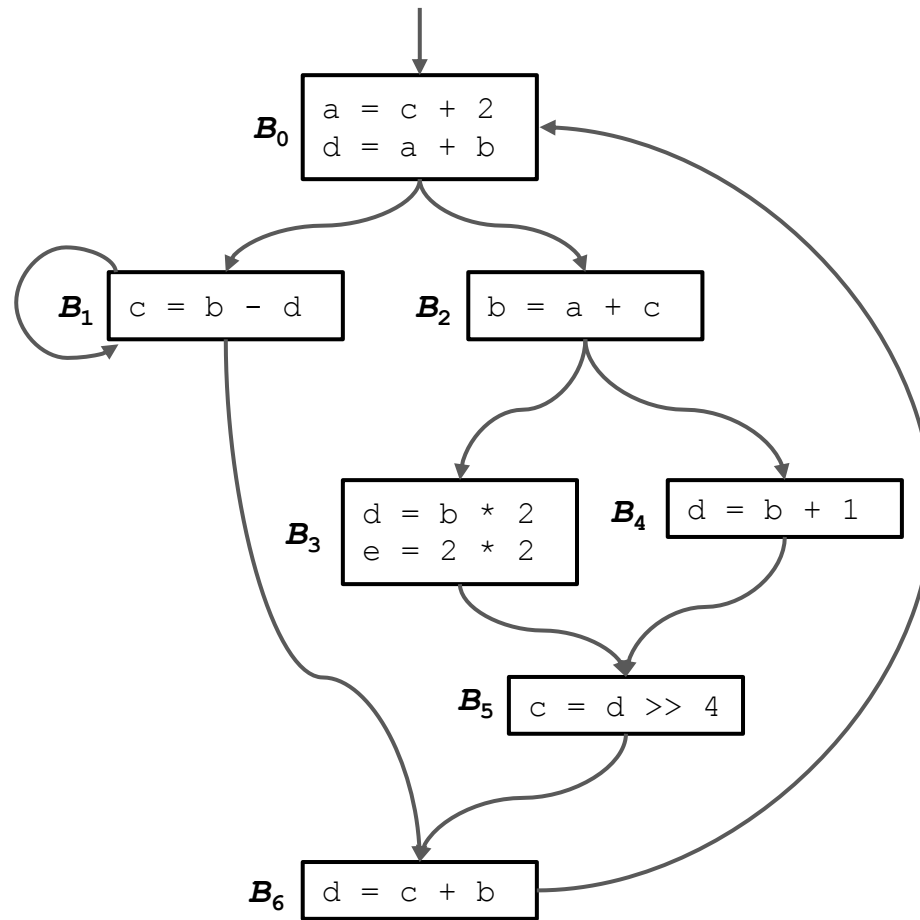


Notes:

- Loop-back edges are also merge points, so require  $\Phi$ -functions
- $a_0, b_0, c_0$  are initial values of  $a, b, c$  on entry to initial block
- $b_1$  is dead – can delete later
- $c$  is live on entry – either input parameter or uninitialized

## **Problem 2<sub>a</sub>**

**Note: there is a more formal way to decide which phi functions are necessary to include**



# Solution

