

Single Static Assignment

CSE 401 Section 10/10


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The Final Stretch



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of Compilers**



Problem 1

(review of dataflow)

Single Static Assignment

An intermediate representation where each variable has only one definition:

Original

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a := x + y
b := a - 1
a := y + b
b := x * 4
a := a + b
```



SSA Form

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a1 := x1 + y1
b1 := a1 - 1
a2 := y1 + b1
b2 := x1 * 4
a3 := a2 + b2
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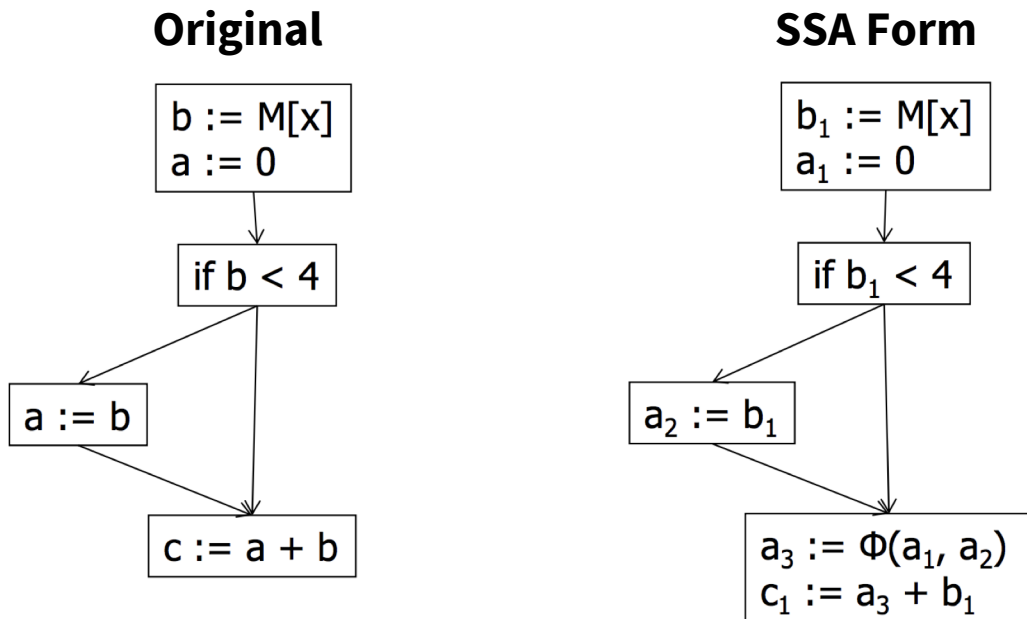
- Without SSA, all definitions and uses of a variable get mixed together
 - Computing information about the definitions of a variable is an expensive but necessary part of many dataflow analyses
- Doing the work of converting to SSA once makes many analyses + optimizations more efficient
 - SSA can be thought of as an implicit representation of Definition/Use chains

SSA: Why We Love It

- Ex: Dead Store Elimination
 - Without SSA: Compute live variables at every point, which requires working backwards and using the dataflow sets to check for *any path* that does not kill the variable, and eliminate any stores that are not to a live variable.
 - With SSA: Eliminate any store where the variable being assigned has 0 uses.
- Constant Propagation is another optimization made much easier by SSA

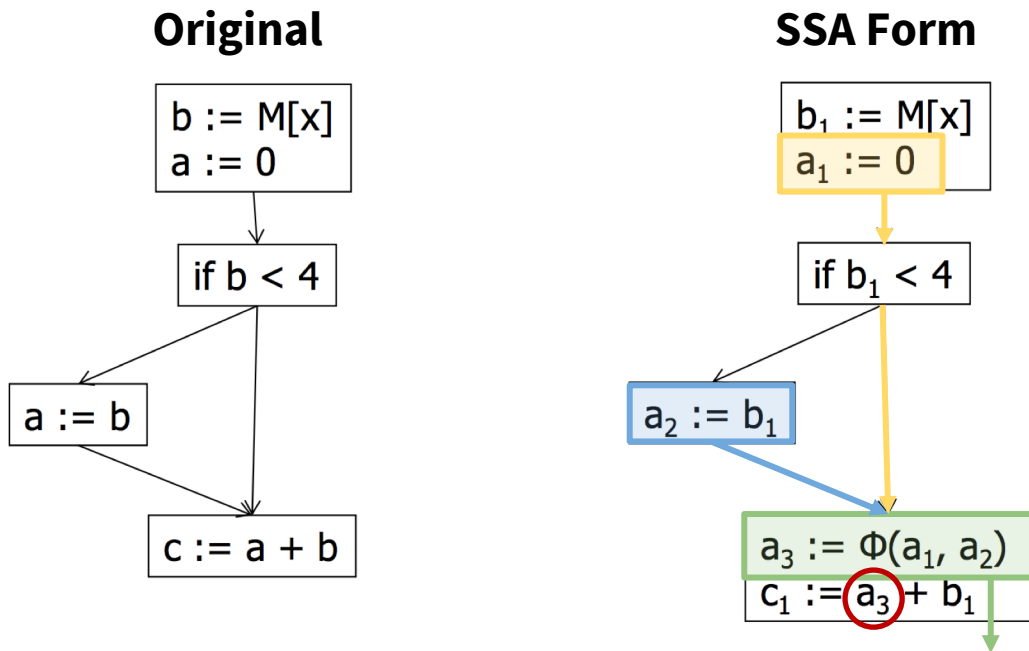
Phi-Functions

- 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?

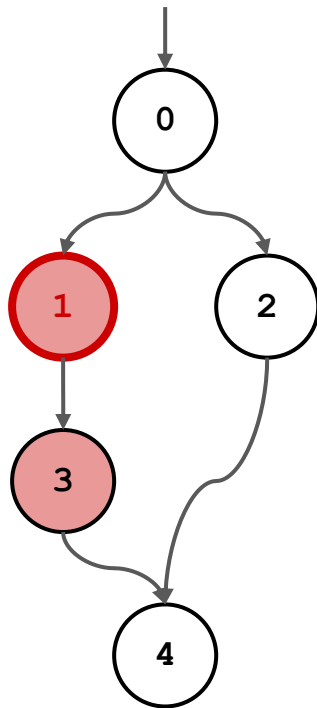
- Wherever a variable has multiple possible definitions entering a block
 - Inefficient (and unnecessary!) to consider all possible phi-functions at the start of each block



Dominators

- A node \mathbf{x} *dominates* a node \mathbf{y} iff every path from the entry point of the control flow graph to \mathbf{y} includes \mathbf{x} .

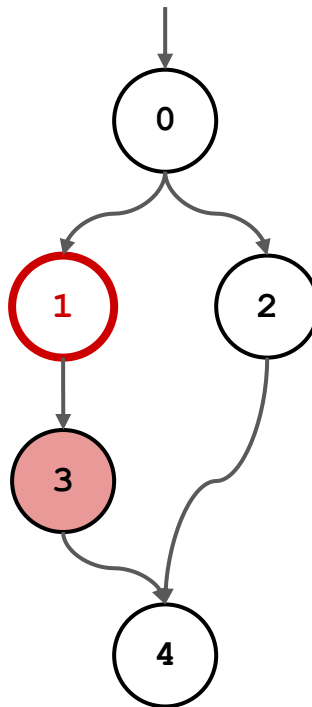
Node 1 dominates nodes 1 and 3.
It does not dominate 4 because
there is another path that reaches
it.



Strict Dominance

- A node \mathbf{x} *strictly dominates* a node \mathbf{y} iff \mathbf{x} dominates \mathbf{y} and $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{y}$.

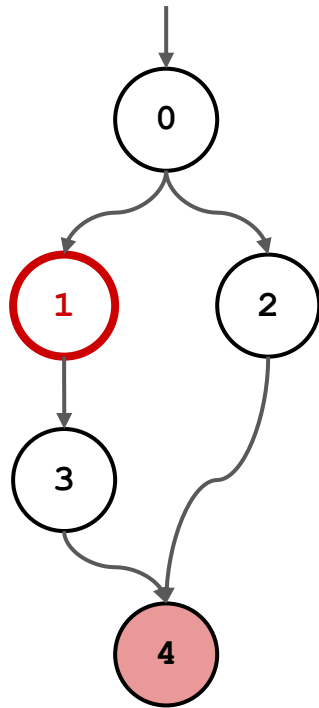
Node 1 only strictly dominates node 3 because it is the only dominated node that is not equal to 1.



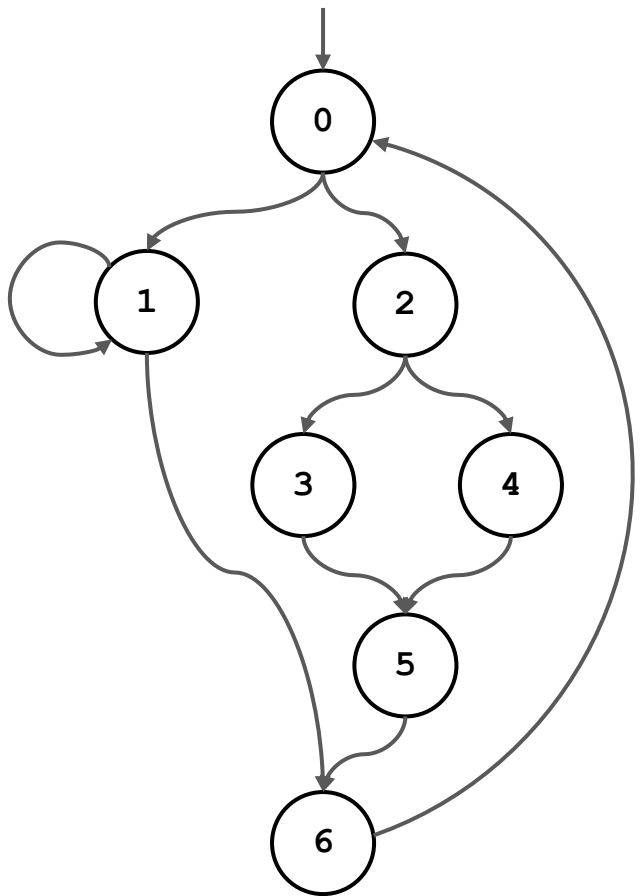
Dominance Frontiers

- A node \mathbf{y} is in the *dominance frontier* of node \mathbf{x} iff \mathbf{x} dominates an immediate predecessor of \mathbf{y} but \mathbf{x} does not strictly dominate \mathbf{y} .
- Essentially, the border between dominated and non-dominated nodes
 - Note: a node can be in its own dominance frontier!
- This is where phi function merging is necessary

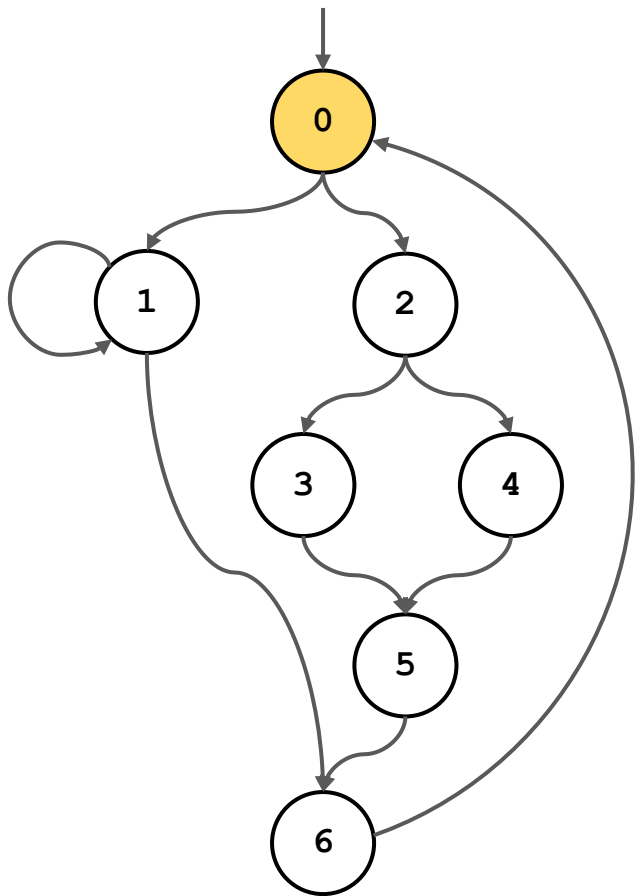
Node 4 is in the dominance frontier of node 1 because an immediate predecessor (node 3) is dominated by 1.



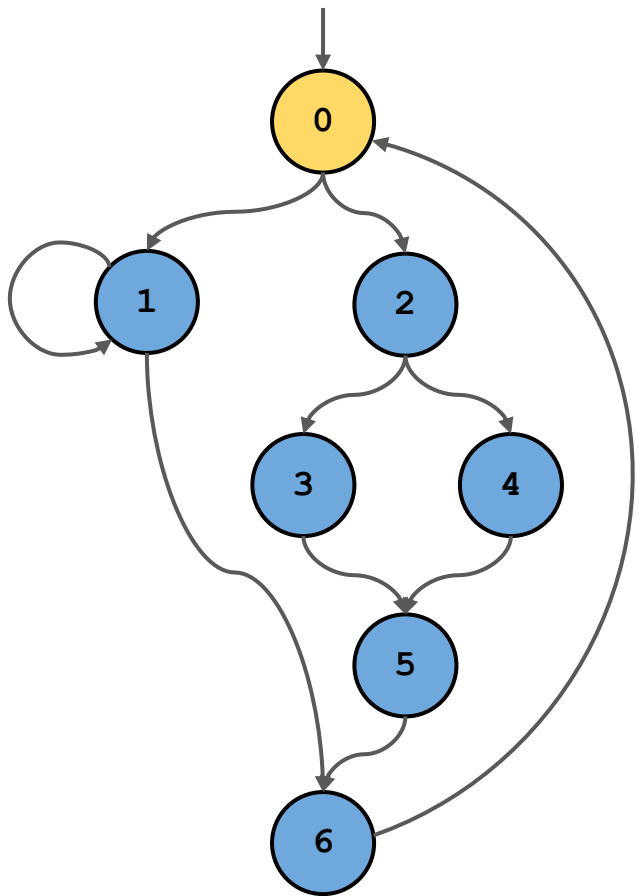
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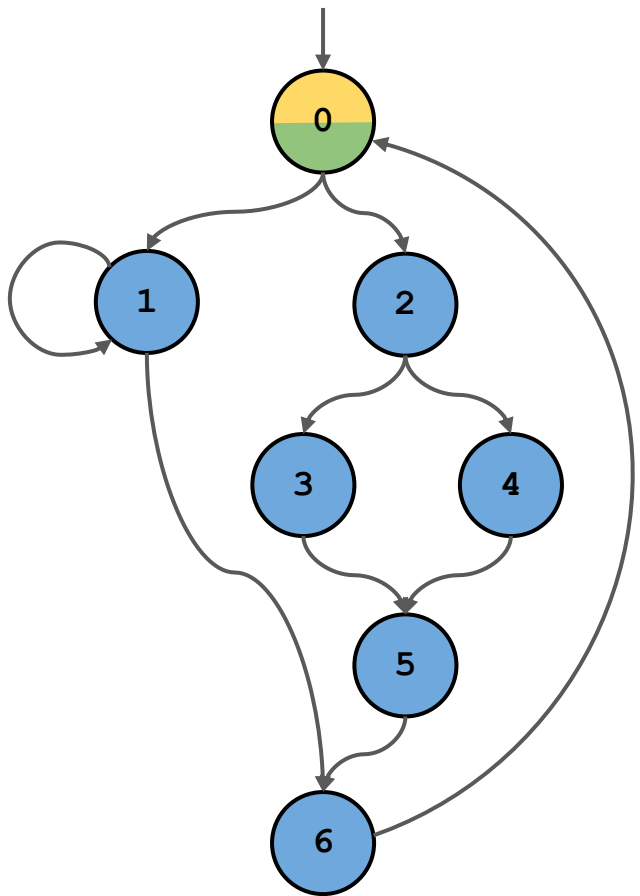
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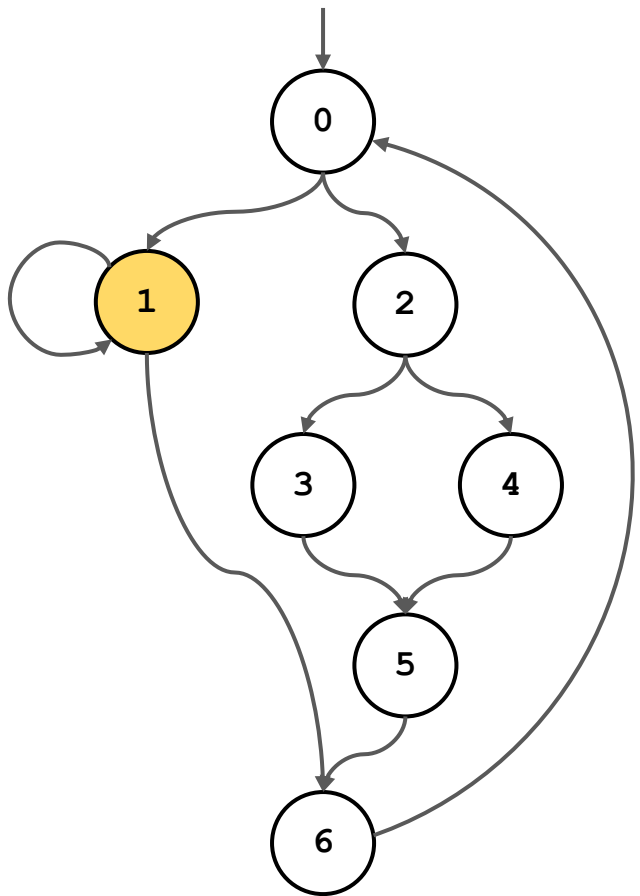
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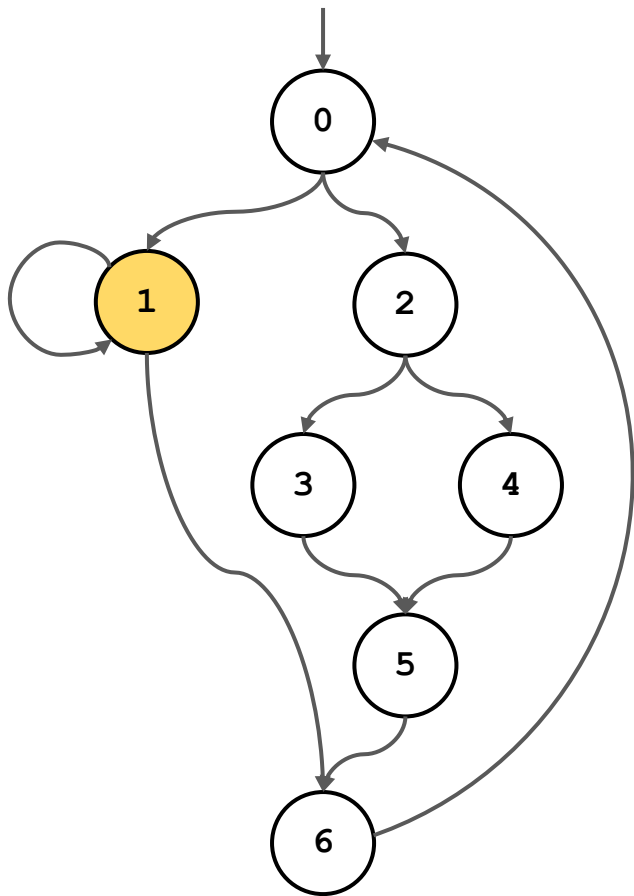
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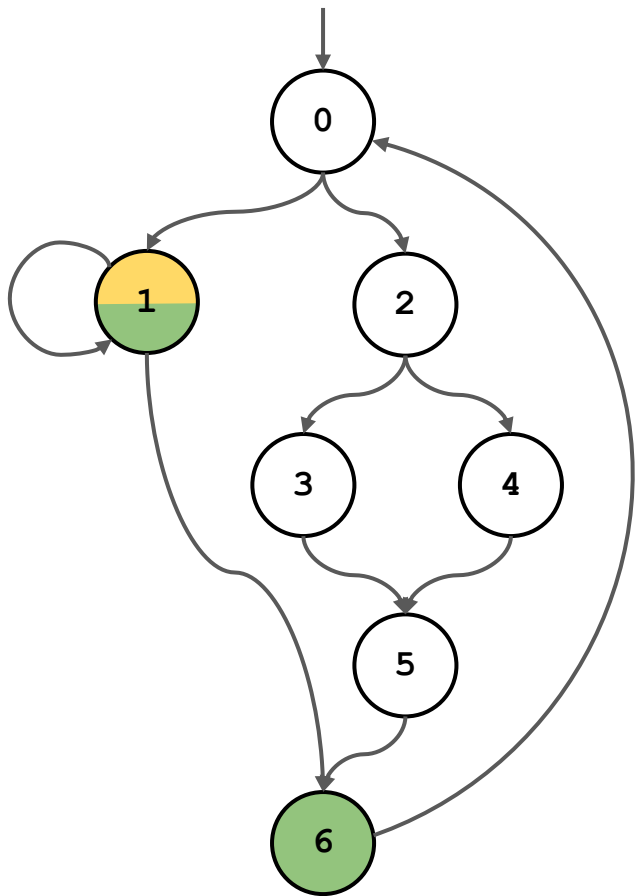
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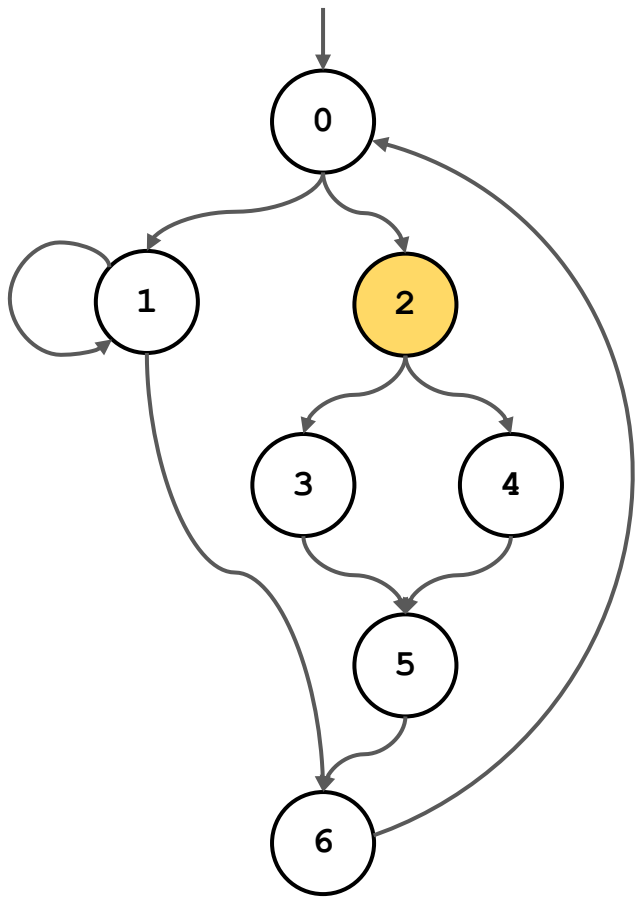
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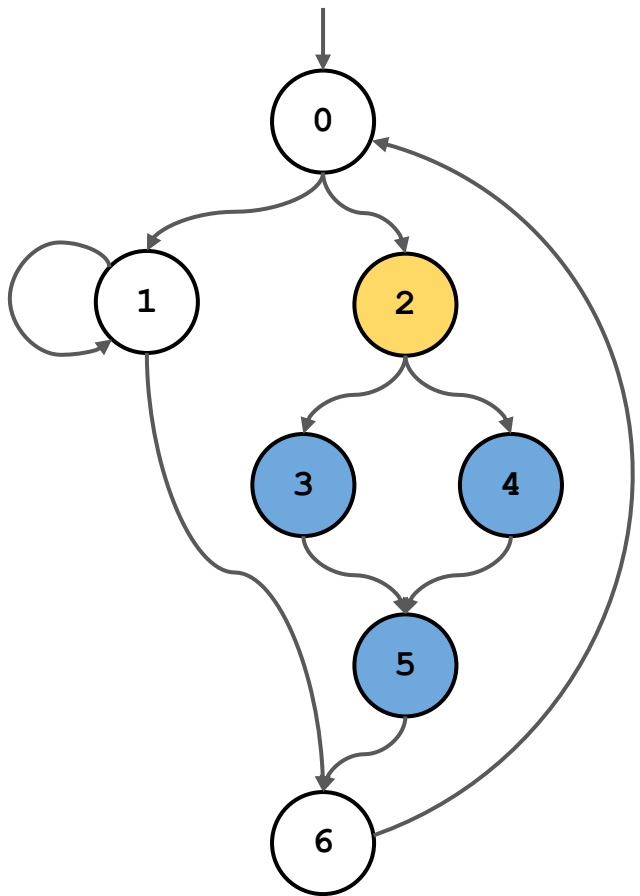
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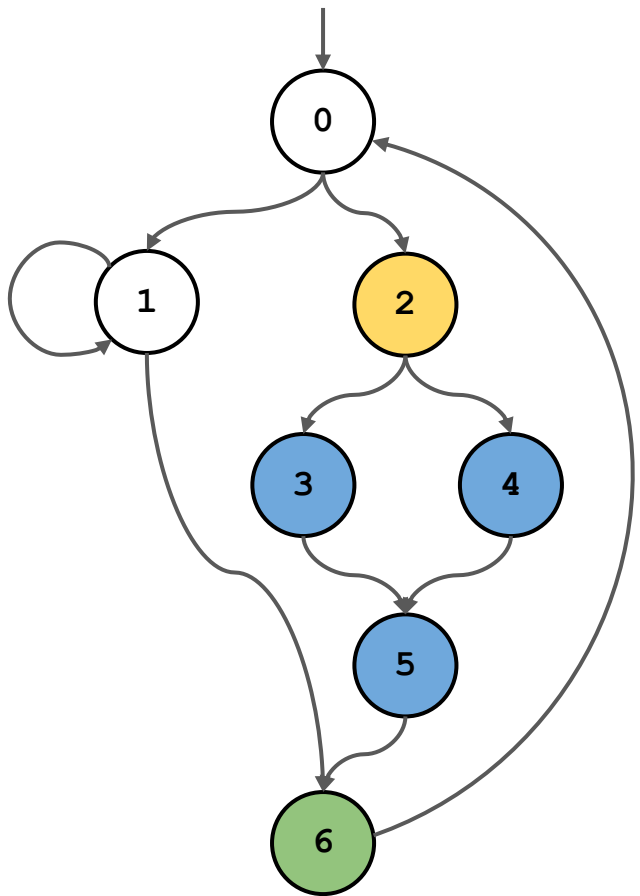
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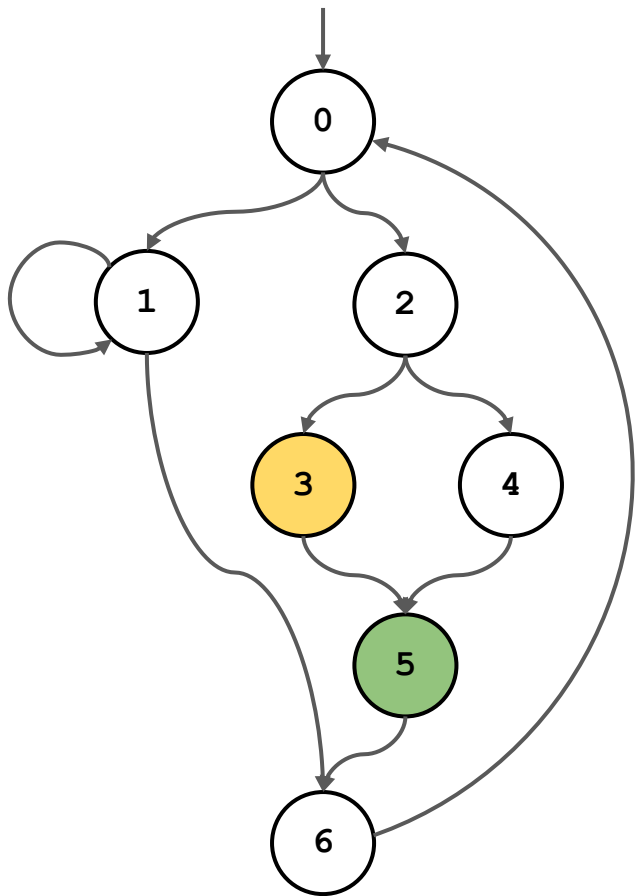
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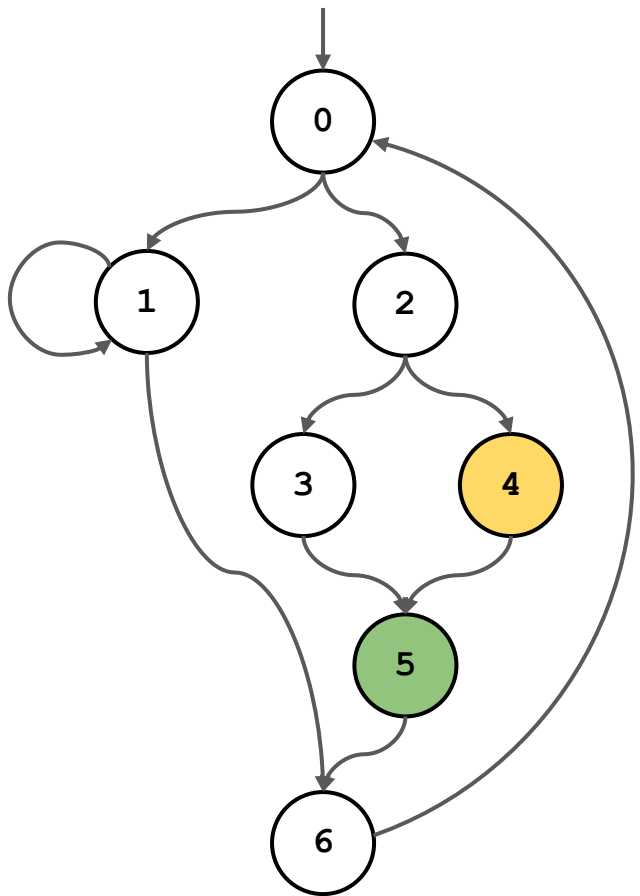
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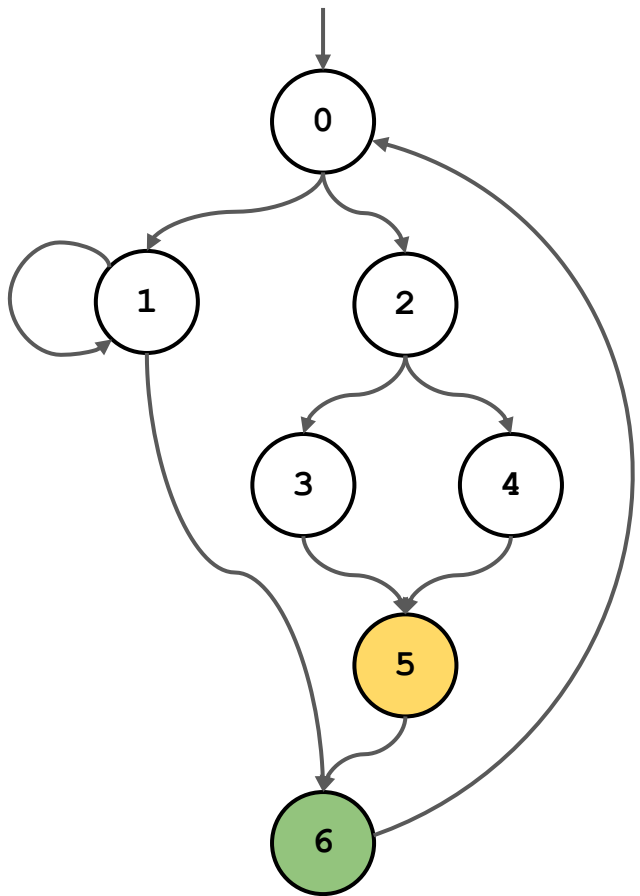
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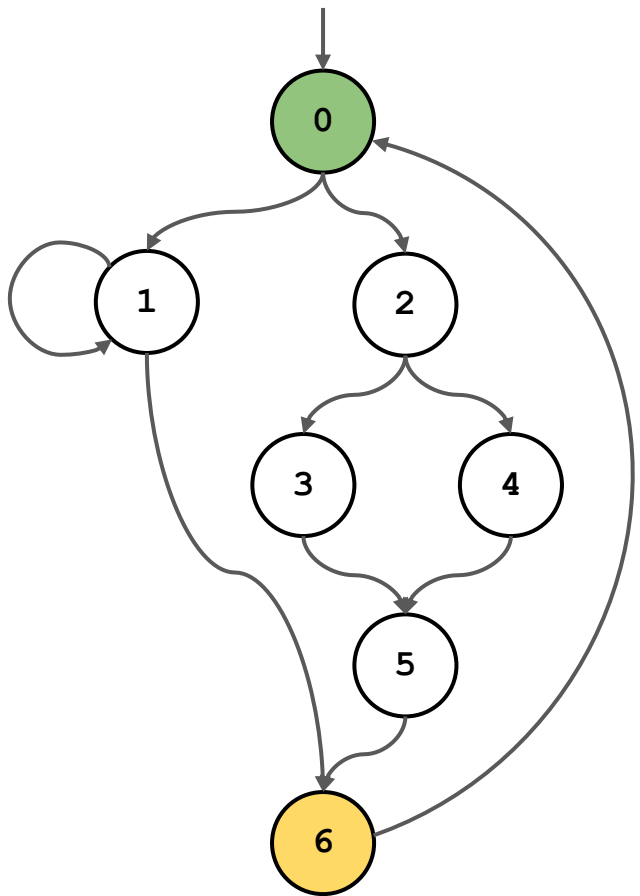
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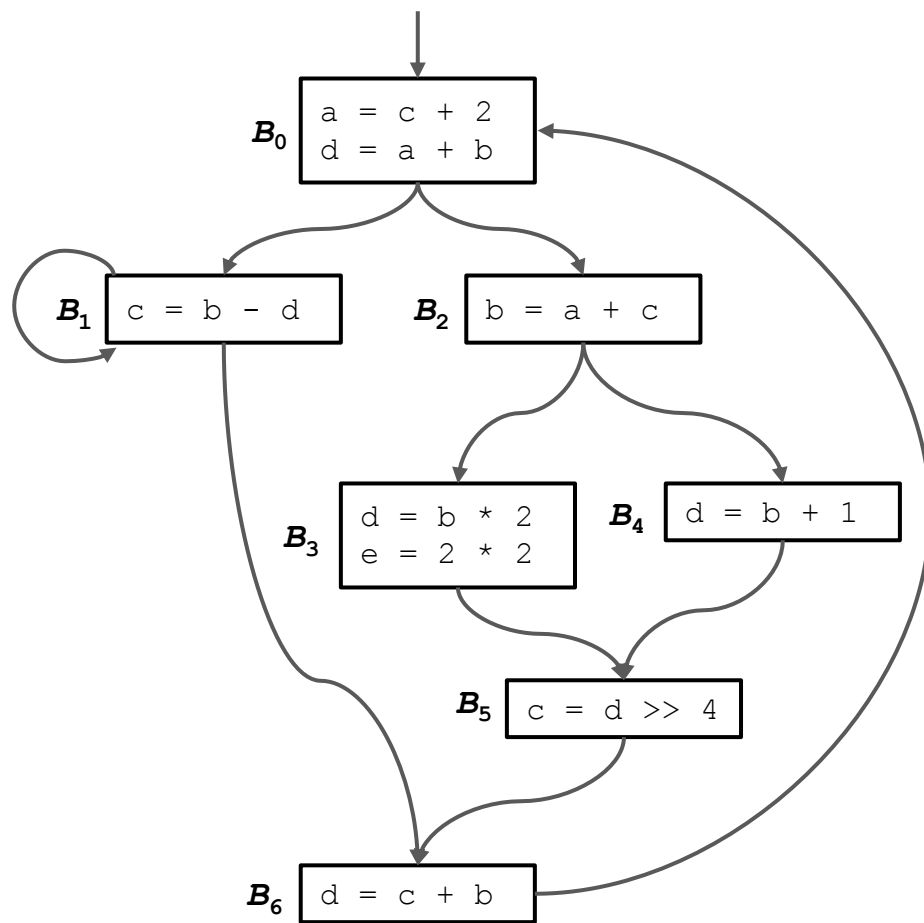


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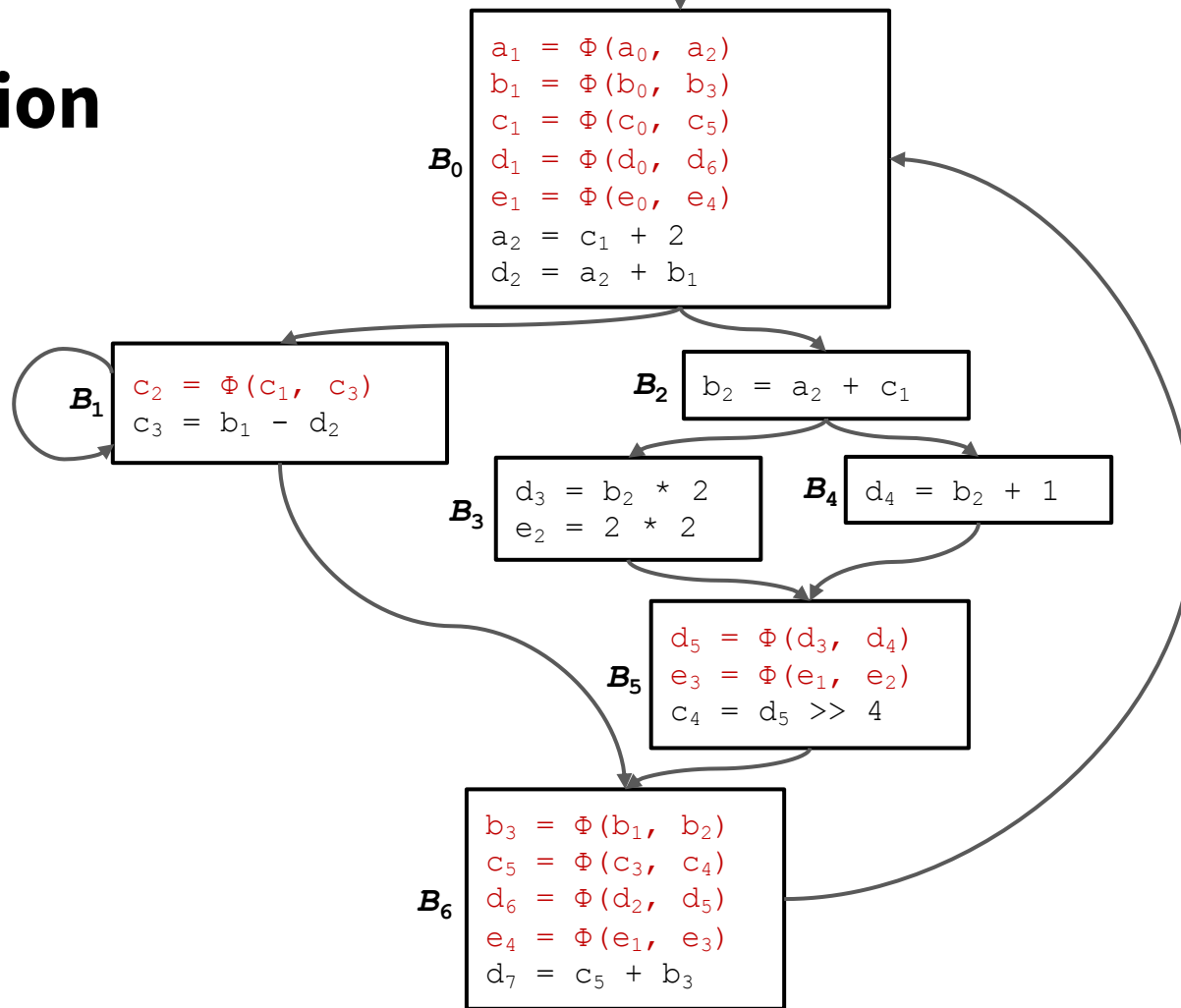


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Problem 2(b)



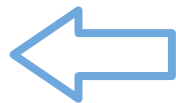
Solution



Converting to SSA

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Compute the dominance frontier of each node



Already done (in problem 2a)

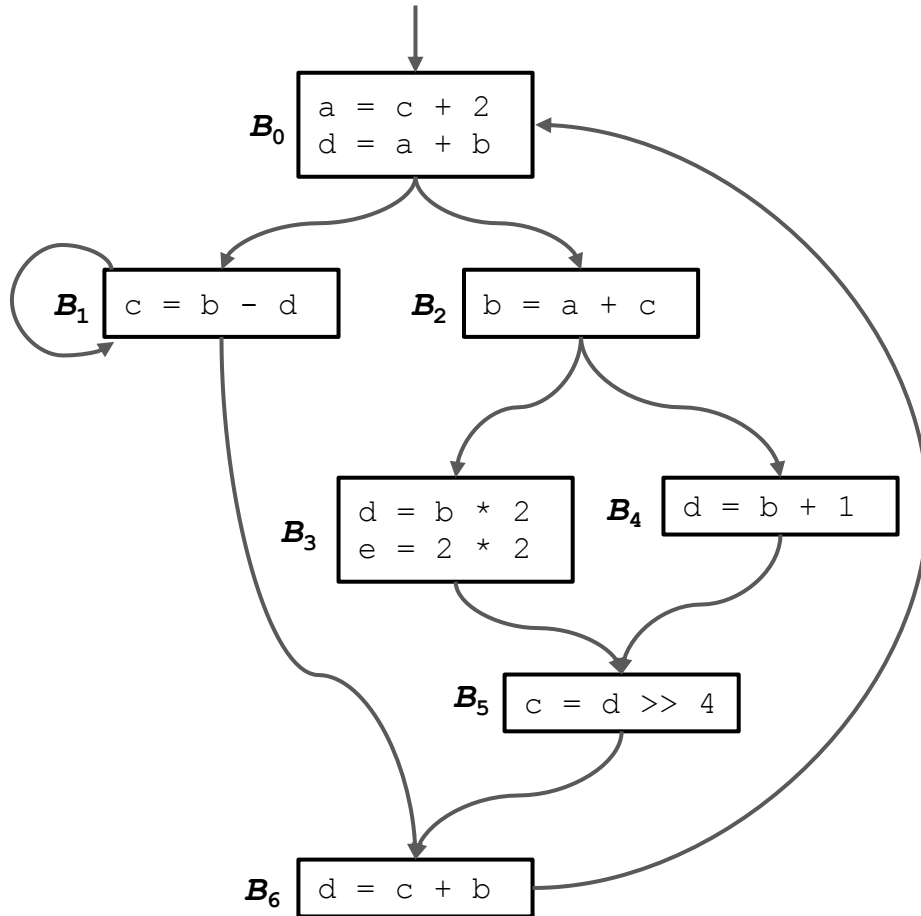
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Determine which variables need merging in each node

3

Assign numbers to definitions and add phi functions

Step 1: Dominance Frontiers



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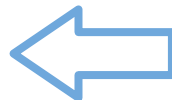
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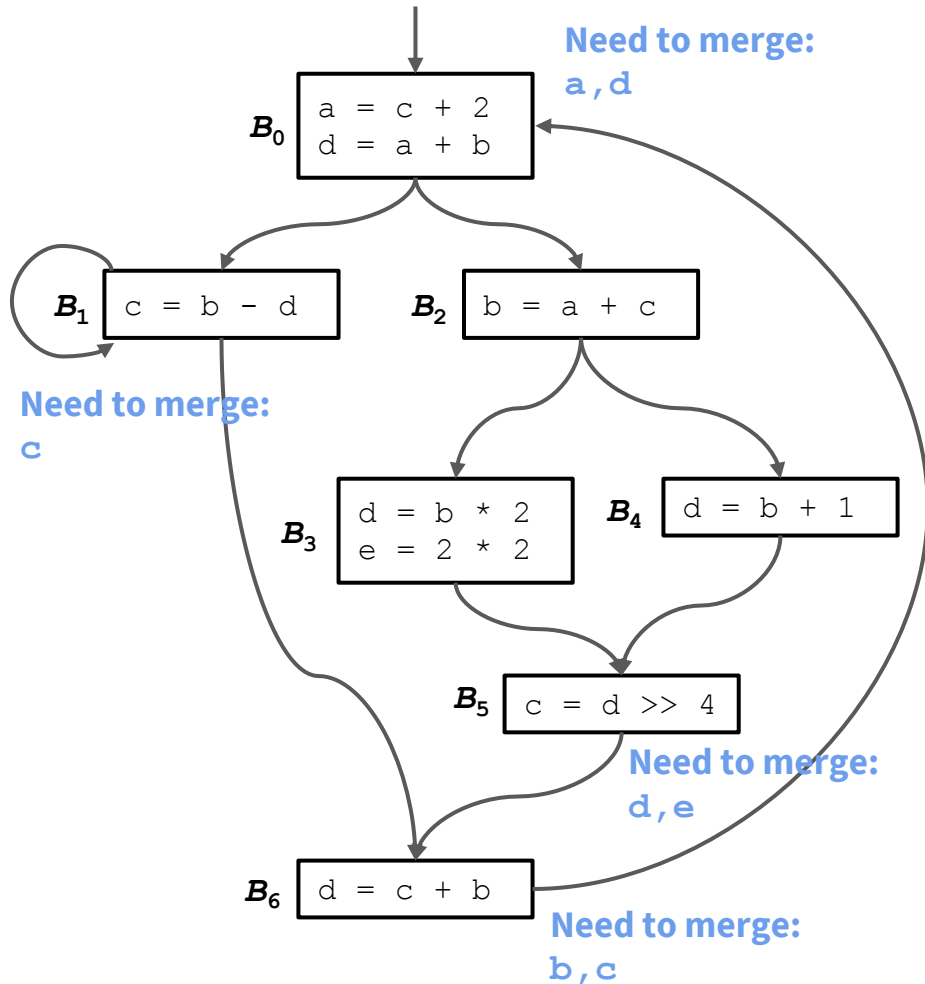
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We will compute using the dominance frontiers

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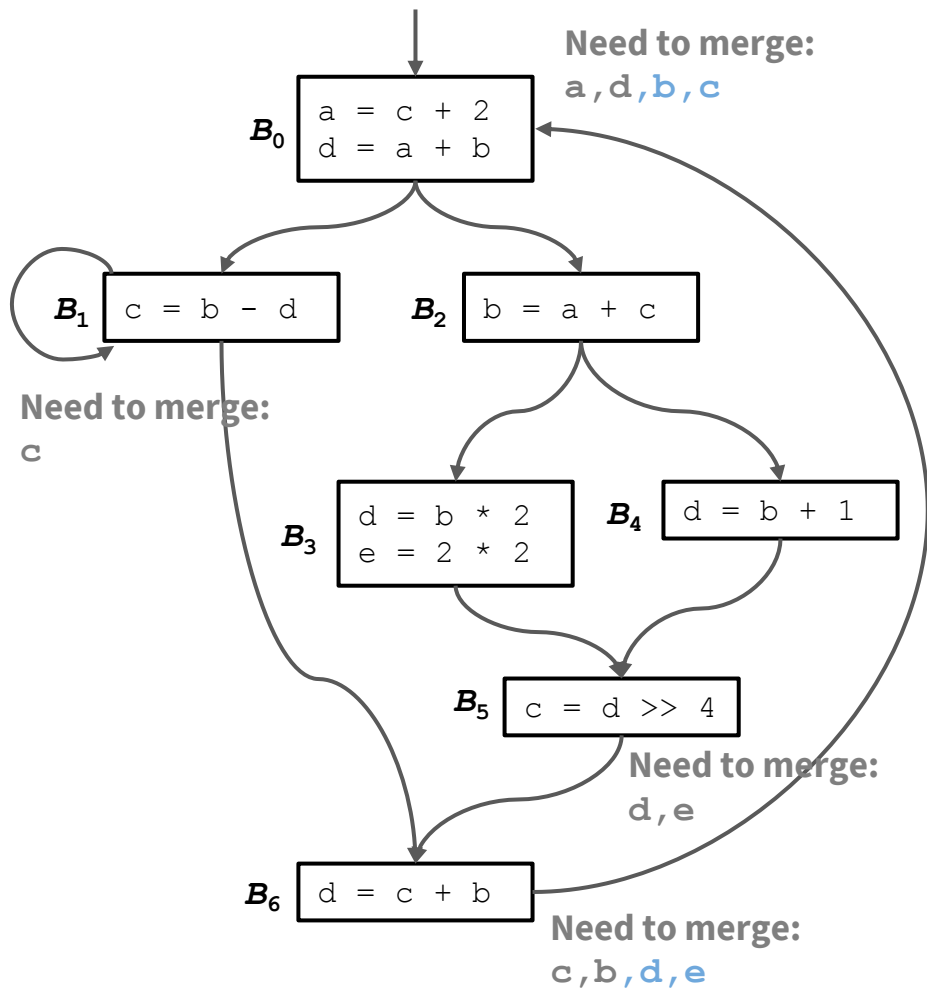
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Step 2: Determine Necessary Merges

ITERATION 1: Each node in the dominance frontier of node X will merge any definitions created in node X.

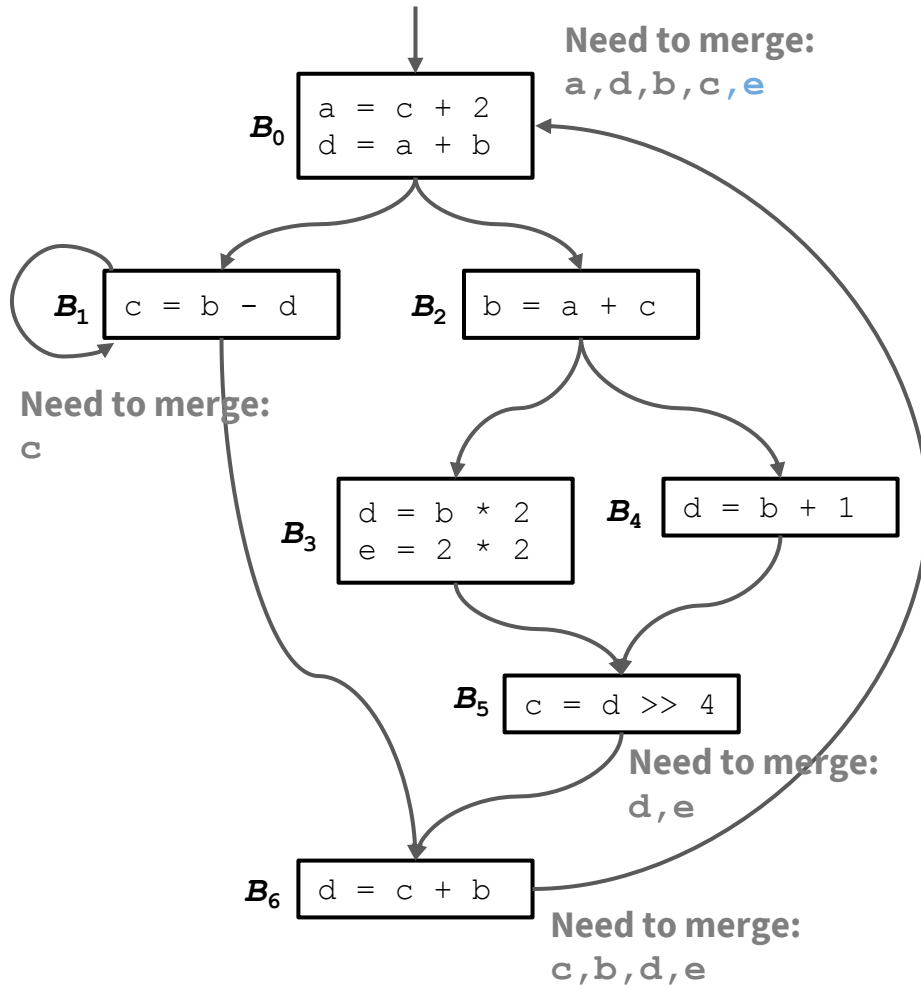
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1	c	1, 6
2	b	6
3	d, e	5
4	d	5
5	c	6
6	d	0



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3		5
4		5
5	d, e	6
6	b, c	0



Step 2: Determine Necessary Merges

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Converting to SSA

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Compute the dominance frontier of each node



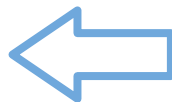
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Assign numbers to definitions and add phi functions



Place phi functions first, then increment subscripts

Step 3: Assign Definition Numbers

Merges go first, and each successive definition of a variable should increment its index by 1.

$$\begin{array}{l} B_0 \\ a = c + 2 \\ d = a + b \end{array}$$

Need to merge:
 a, b, c, d, e



$$\begin{array}{l} B_0 \\ a_1 = \Phi(a_0, a_2) \\ b_1 = \Phi(b_0, b_3) \\ c_1 = \Phi(c_0, c_5) \\ d_1 = \Phi(d_0, d_6) \\ e_1 = \Phi(e_0, e_4) \\ a_2 = c_1 + 2 \\ d_2 = a_2 + b_1 \end{array}$$

*Note: these subscripts determined
after doing the rest of the CFG!*

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$$B_1 \quad \boxed{c = b - d}$$

Need to merge:
c



$$B_1 \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{l} c_2 = \Phi(c_1, c_3) \\ c_3 = b_1 - d_2 \end{array}}$$

Note: must merge its own (later) definition because of the back-edge!

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$$B_2 \quad \boxed{b = a + c}$$



$$B_2 \quad \boxed{b_2 = a_2 + c_1}$$

Nothing to merge

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$$\mathbf{B}_3 \quad \begin{array}{l} d = b * 2 \\ e = 2 * 2 \end{array}$$



$$\mathbf{B}_3 \quad \begin{array}{l} d_3 = b_2 * 2 \\ e_2 = 2 * 2 \end{array}$$

Nothing to merge

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$$B_4 \quad d = b + 1$$



$$B_4 \quad d_4 = b_2 + 1$$

Nothing to merge

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$$B_5 \quad \boxed{c = d \gg 4}$$



$$B_5 \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{l} d_5 = \Phi(d_3, d_4) \\ e_3 = \Phi(e_1, e_2) \\ c_4 = d_5 \gg 4 \end{array}}$$

Need to merge:

d, e

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$$B_6 \quad \boxed{d = c + b}$$

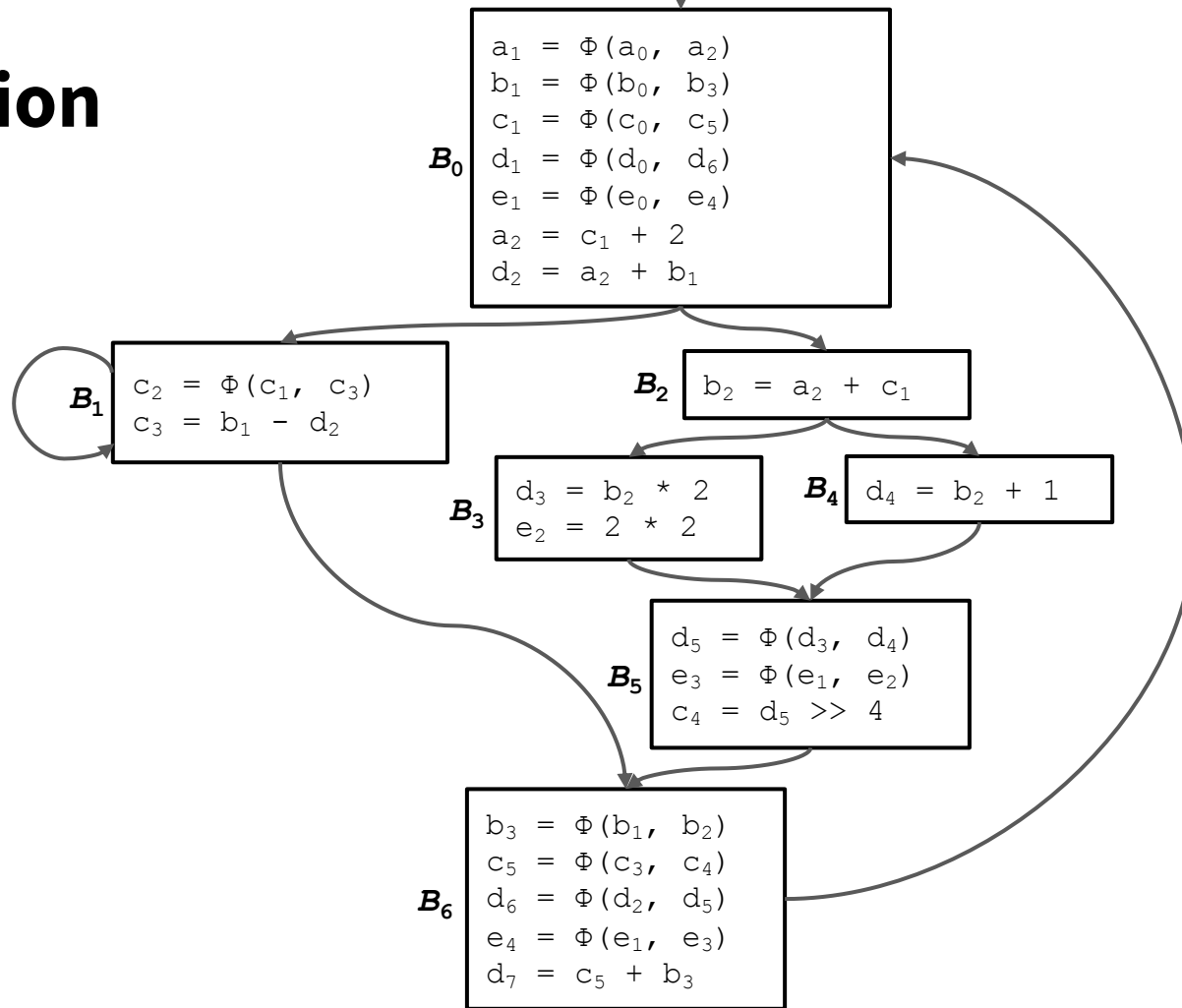


B_6

$$\begin{aligned} b_3 &= \Phi(b_1, b_2) \\ c_5 &= \Phi(c_3, c_4) \\ d_6 &= \Phi(d_2, d_5) \\ e_4 &= \Phi(e_1, e_3) \\ d_7 &= c_5 + b_3 \end{aligned}$$

Need to merge:
 c, e, b, i, d, g

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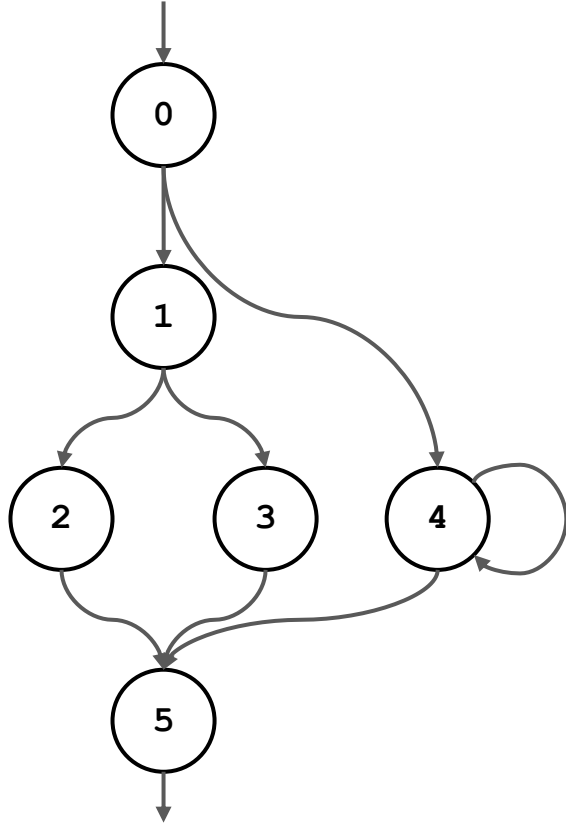


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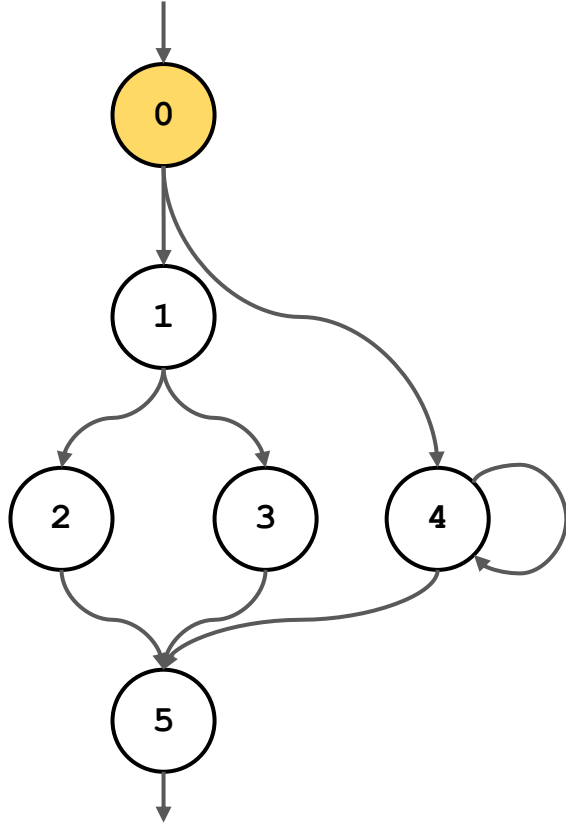
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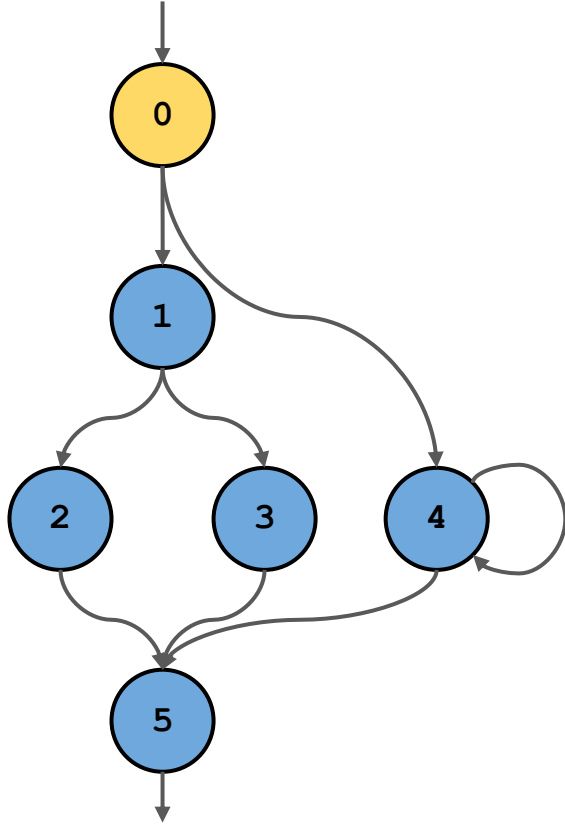
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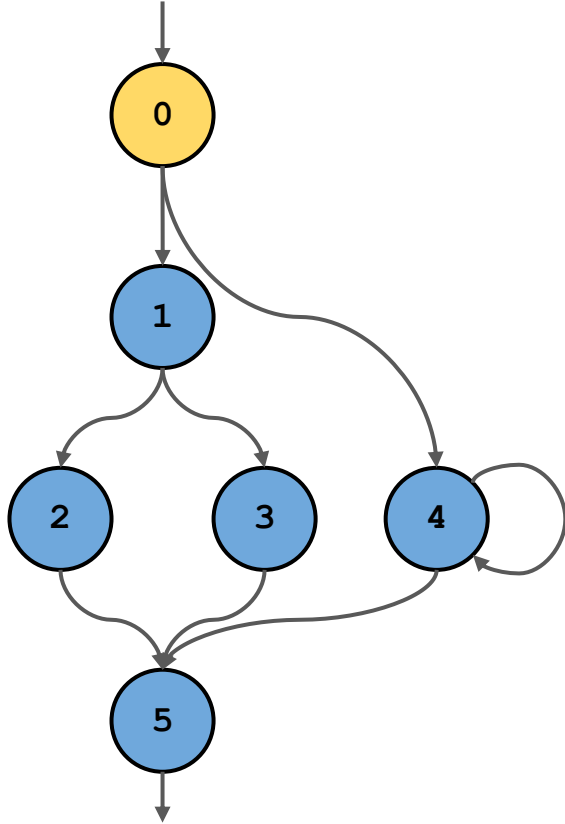
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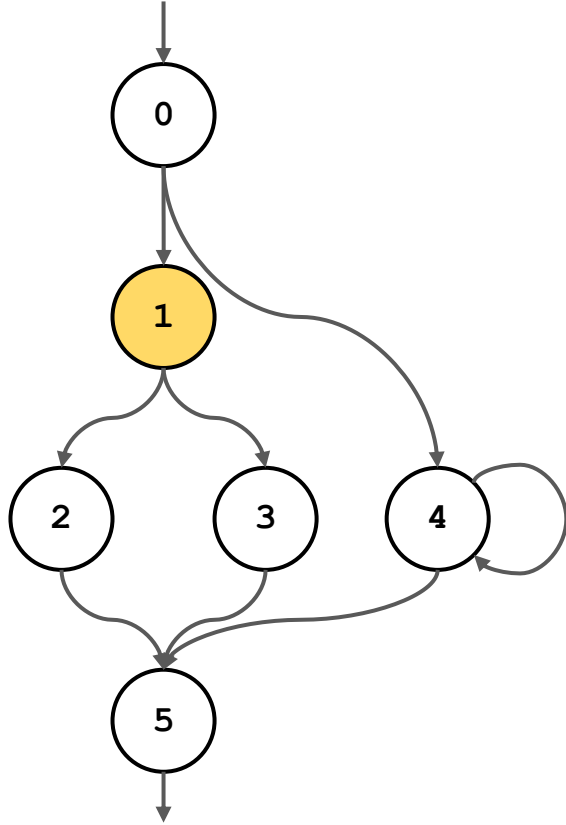
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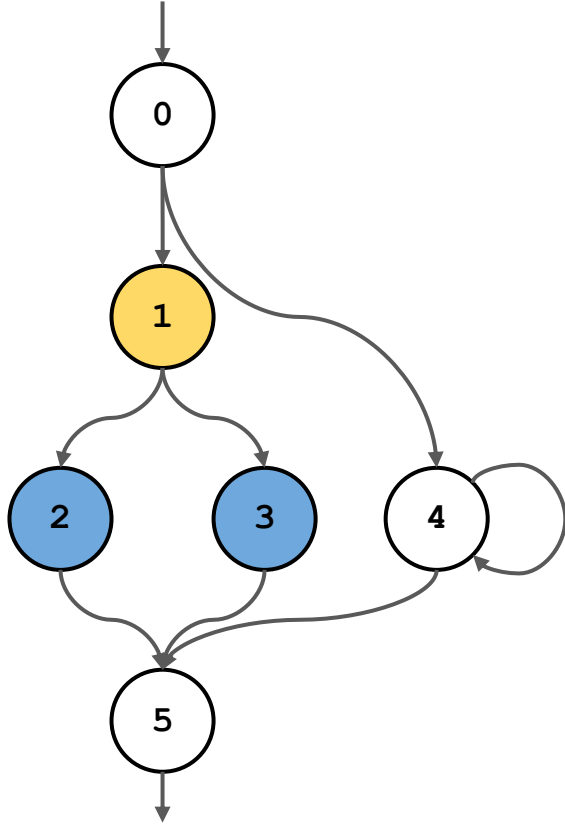
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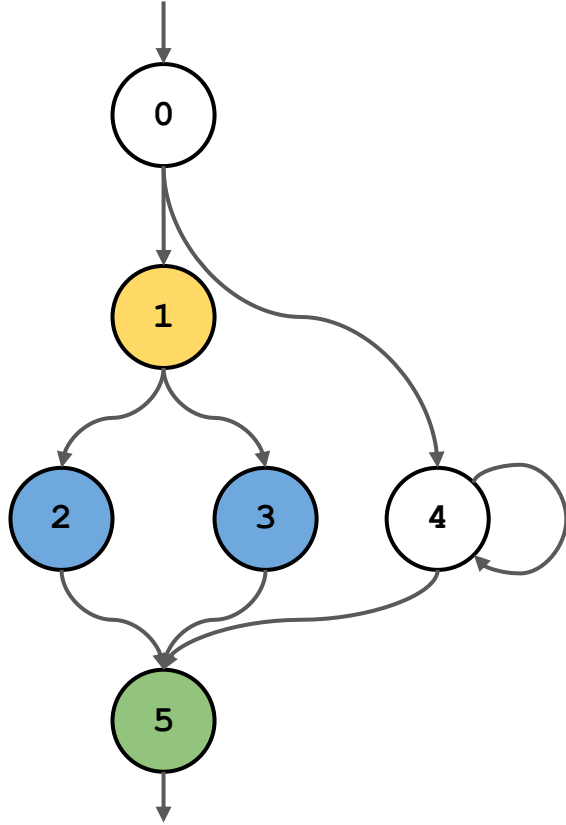
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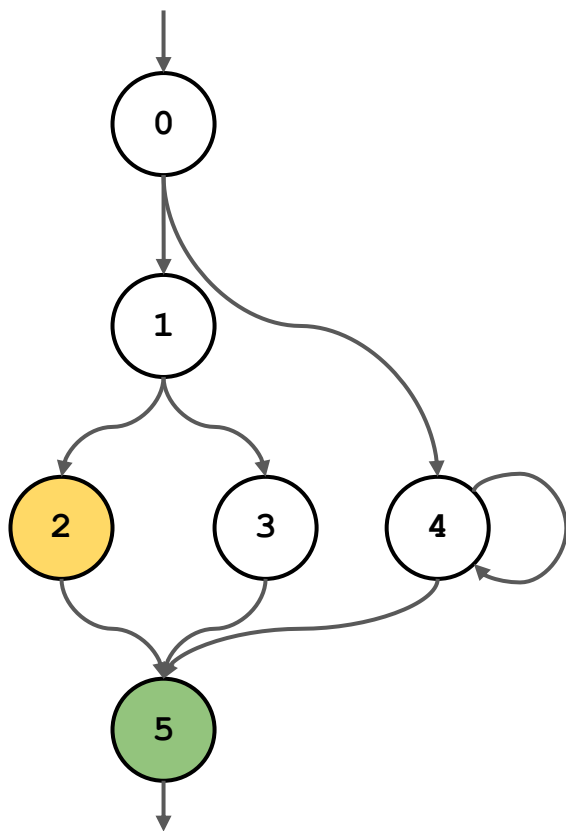
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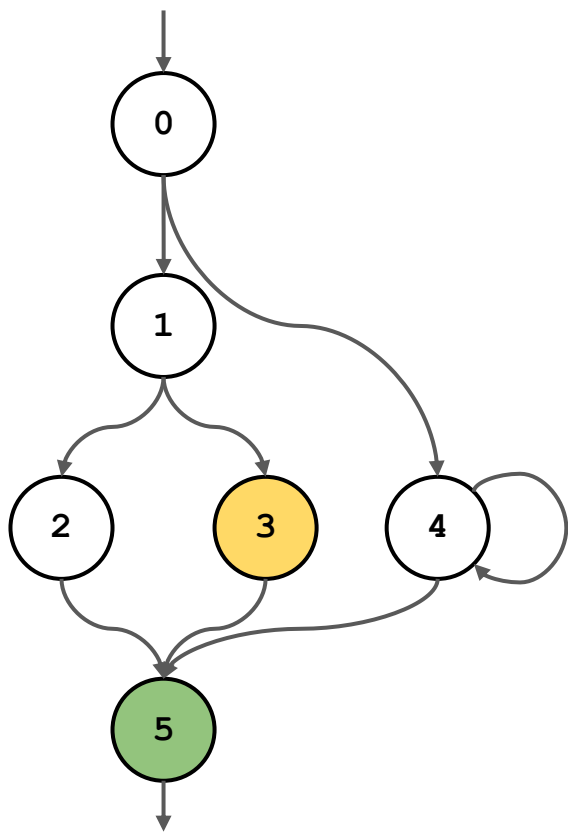
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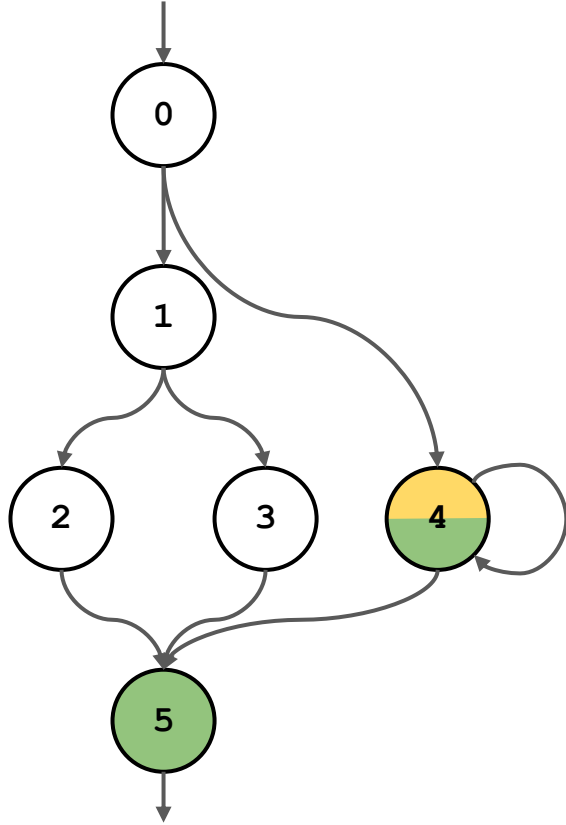
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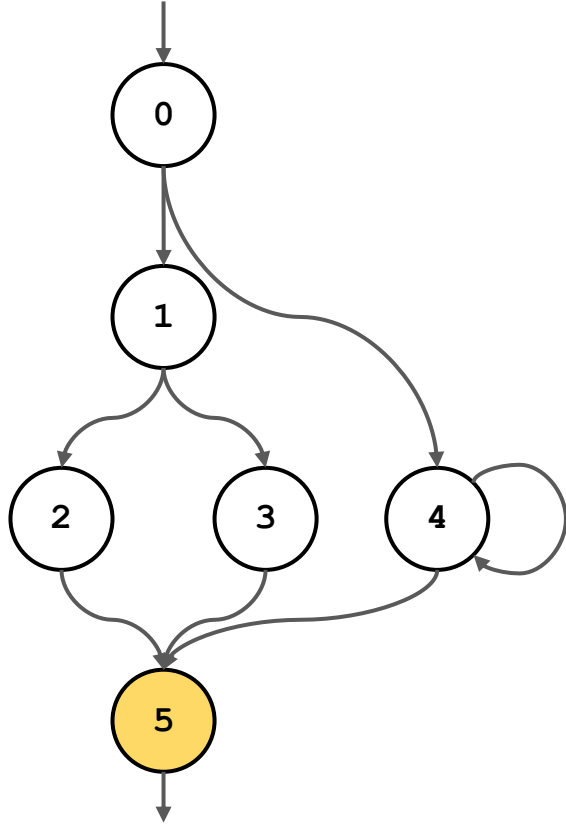
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