Dataflow Analysis + SSA

CSE 401 Sections

Announcements 📢

- **Codegen** deadline **– TONIGHT 11:59 pm**. Remember to commit/push/tag and complete the Gradescope submission. If using late days, may submit at most two days late (depending on number of remaining late days).
  - Once codegen is finished, we'll do an overall evaluation of your compiler, **all phases**, and rerun a comprehensive set of tests. This **final evaluation is the major part** (half!) **of the overall project grade**. So you need to fix any remaining bugs, from semantics/type checking all the way back to the scanner! (And your final evaluation will reflect these fixes) 🐛🕷🐜🦗🐞
- **Project report** due Tuesday, 06/03 at 11:59 pm **(no late days)**
- HW4 due Thursday, 06/05 at 11:59 pm (late days allowed)

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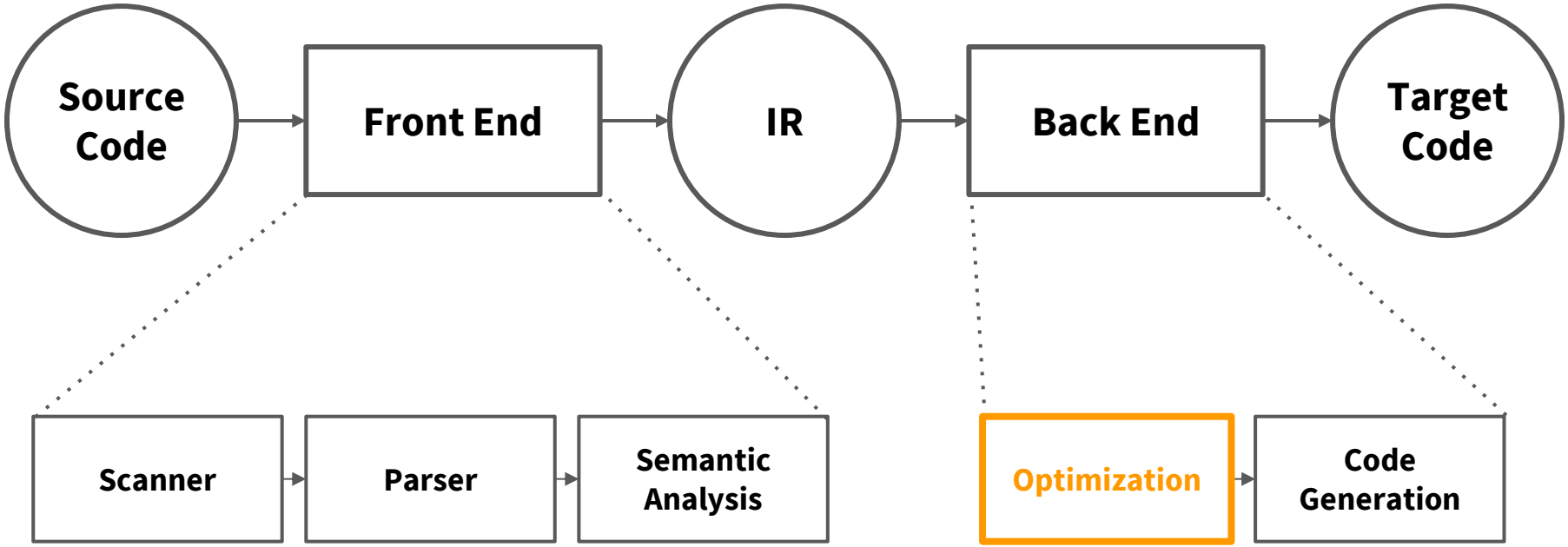

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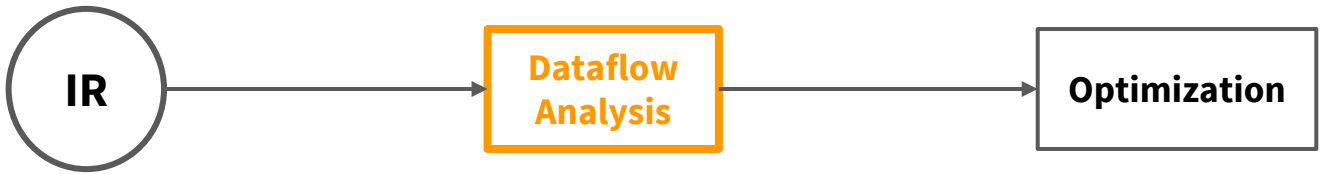

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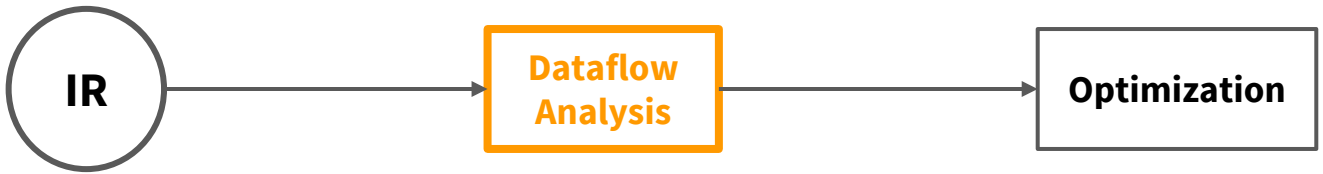
- A framework for exposing properties about programs
- Operates using sets of “facts”
- Just the initial discovery phase
  - Optimizations can then be made based on the analysis



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*

Overview of Dataflow Analysis (continued)

- These are related by the equation
  - $\texttt{OUT}(b) = \texttt{GEN}(b) \cup (\texttt{IN}(b) - \texttt{KILL}(b))$
  - Solve this iteratively for all blocks
  - Sometimes information propagates forward; sometimes backward
    - But will reach correct solution (fixed point) regardless of order in which blocks are considered

Reaching Definitions (*A Dataflow Problem*)

“What definitions of each variable might reach this point”

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

```
int x;

if (y > 0) {
  x = y;
} else {
  x = 0;
}

System.out.println(x);
```

“x=y”, “x=0”

Reaching Definitions (*A Dataflow Problem*)

“What definitions of each variable might reach this point”

- **Be careful**: Does not involve the *value* of the variable 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

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

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

Problems 1(a) and 1(b)

```
L0:  a = 0
L1:  b = a + 1
L2:  c = c + b
L3:  a = b * 2
L4:  if a < N goto L1
L5:  return c
```

Note: Labels are used in place of actual definitions to save space!

Block	GEN	KILL	IN (1)	OUT (1)	IN (2)	OUT (2)
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L2	L2		L0, L1	L0, L1, L2	L0, L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3
L3	L3	L0	L0, L1, L2	L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3	L1, L2, L3
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Convergence!

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L0	L0			L0		L0
L1	L1		L0	L0, L1	L0, L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3
L2	L2		L0, L1	L0, L1, L2	L0, L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3
L3	L3	L0	L0, L1, L2	L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3	L1, L2, L3
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L0	L0			L0		L0
L1	L1		L0	L0, L1	L0, L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3
L2	L2		L0, L1	L0, L1, L2	L0, L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3
L3	L3	L0	L0, L1, L2	L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3	L1, L2, L3
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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.

Block	GEN	KILL	IN (1)	OUT (1)	IN (2)	OUT (2)
L0	L0			L0		L0
L1	L1		L0	L0, L1	L0, L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3
L2	L2		L0, L1	L0, L1, L2	L0, L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3
L3	L3	L0	L0, L1, L2	L1, L2, L3	L0, L1, L2, L3	L1, L2, L3
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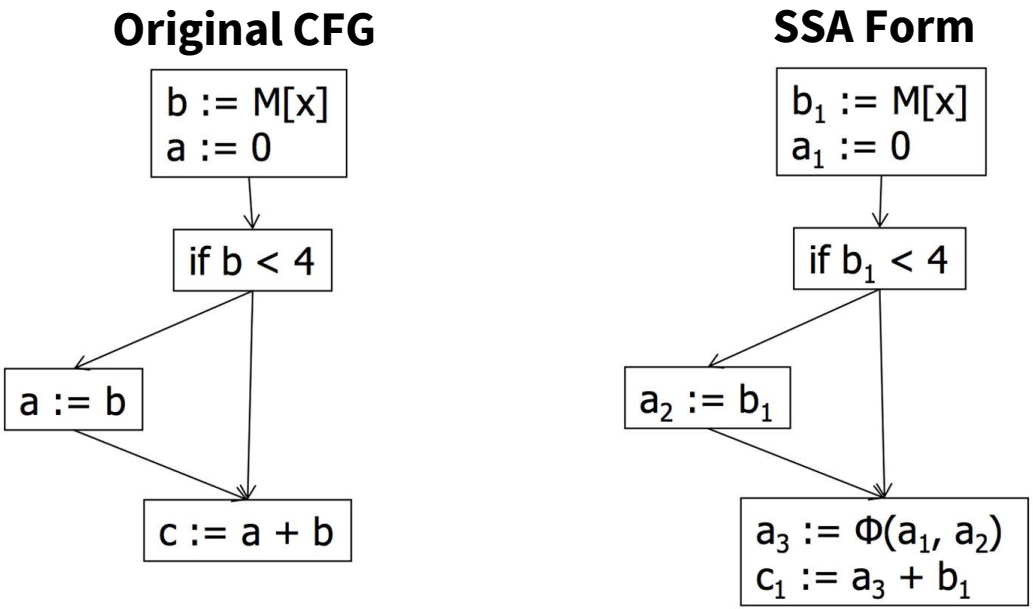
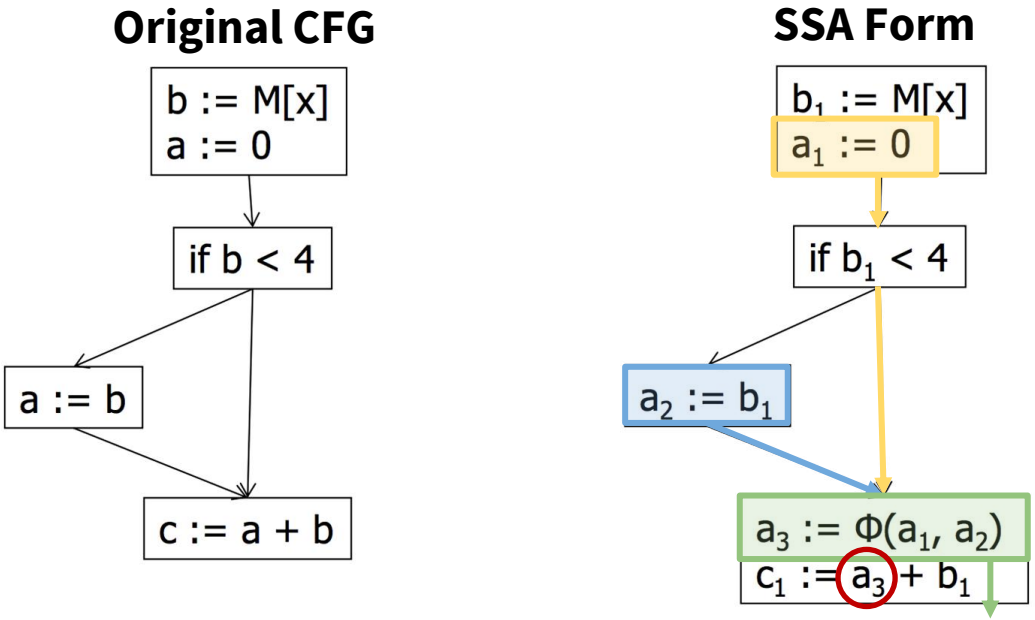
Phi-Functions

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



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

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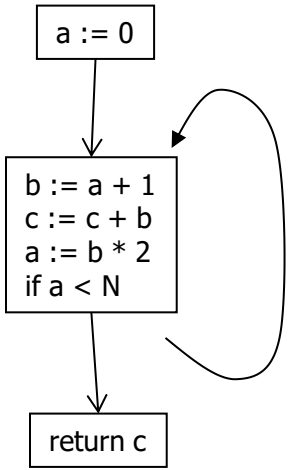

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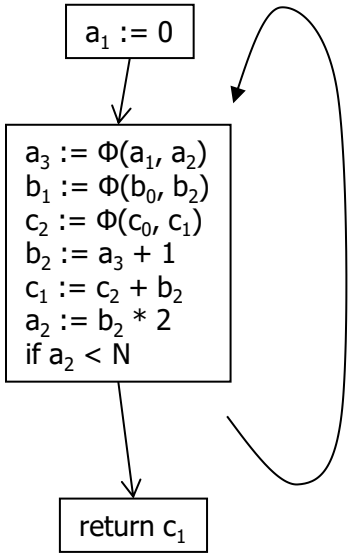
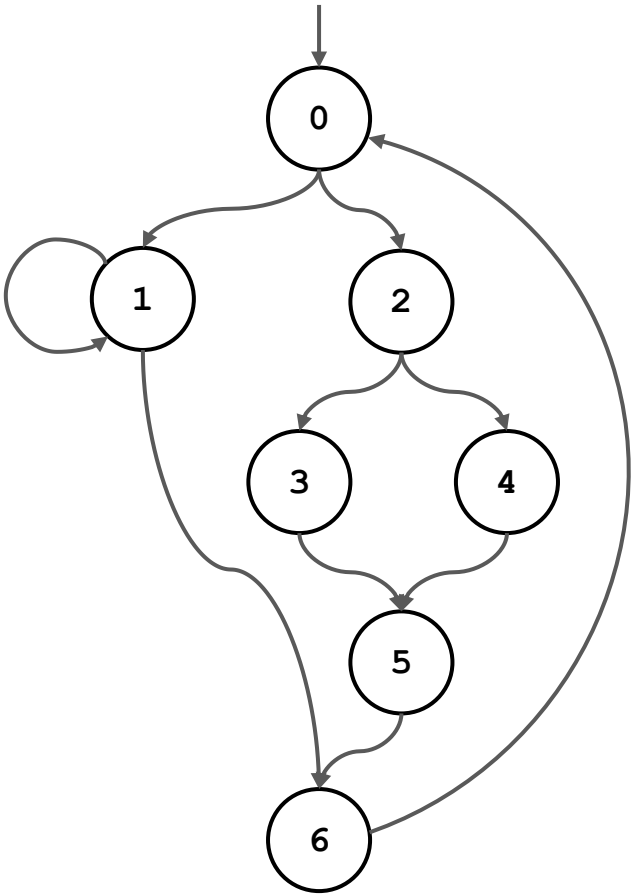


Notes:

- Loop-back edges are also merge points, so require Φ-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(a)



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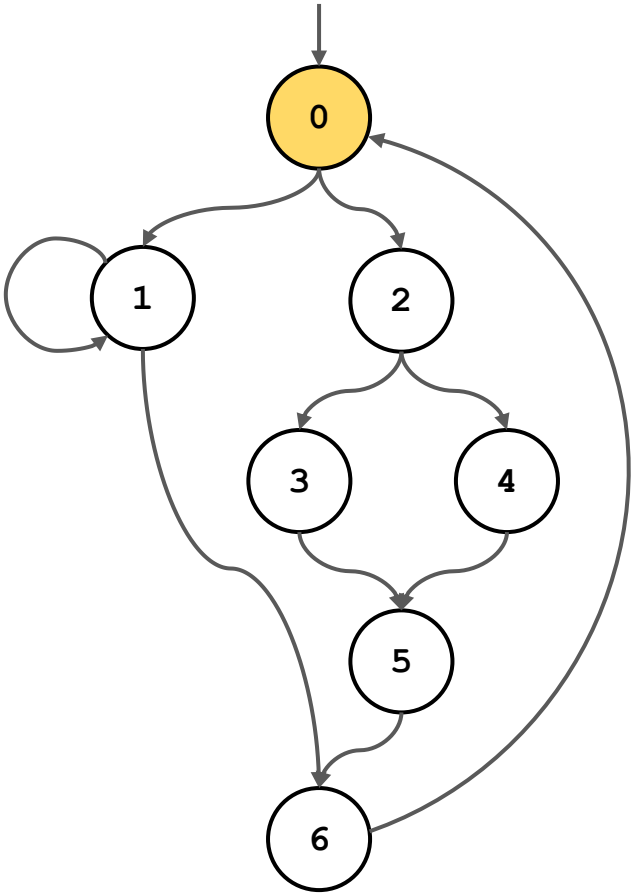

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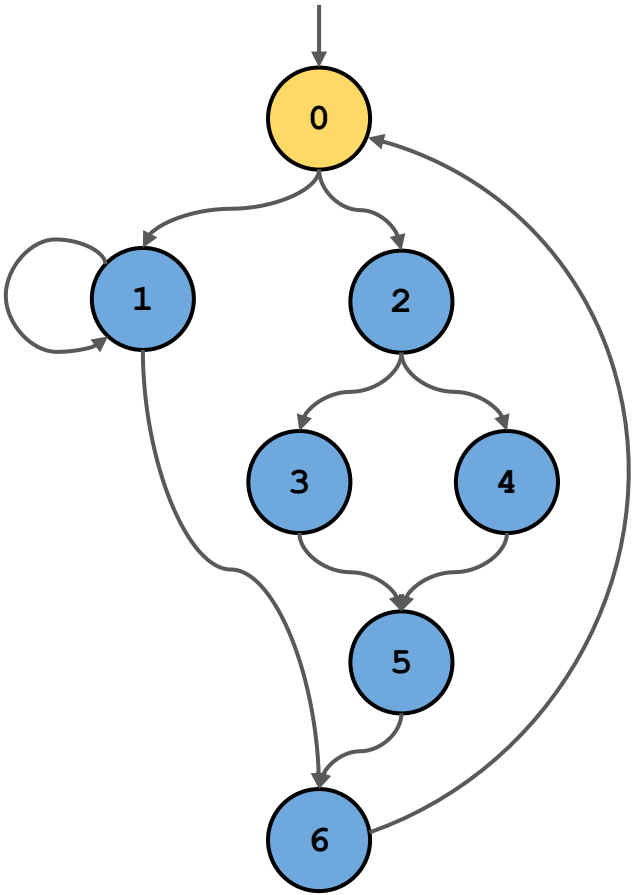

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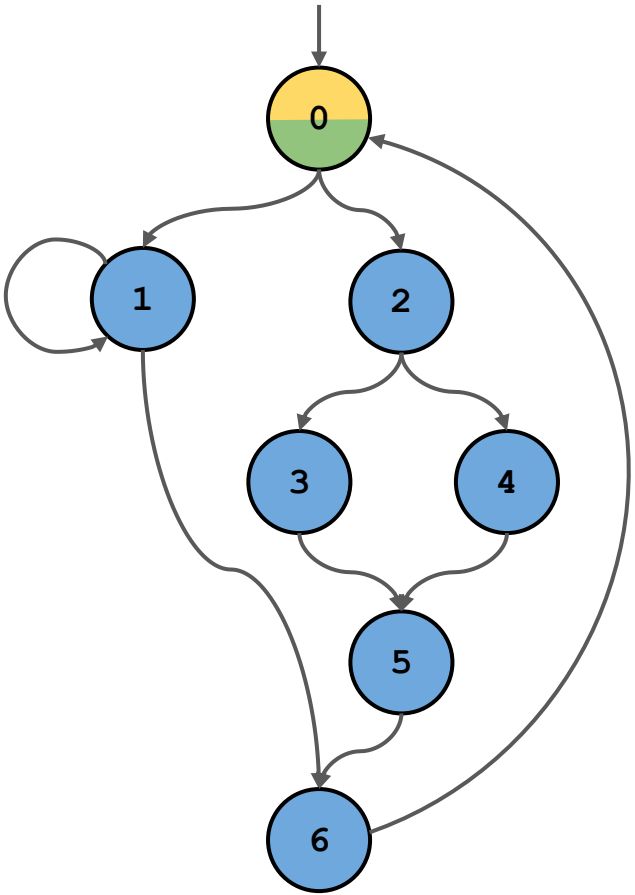

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0	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	0
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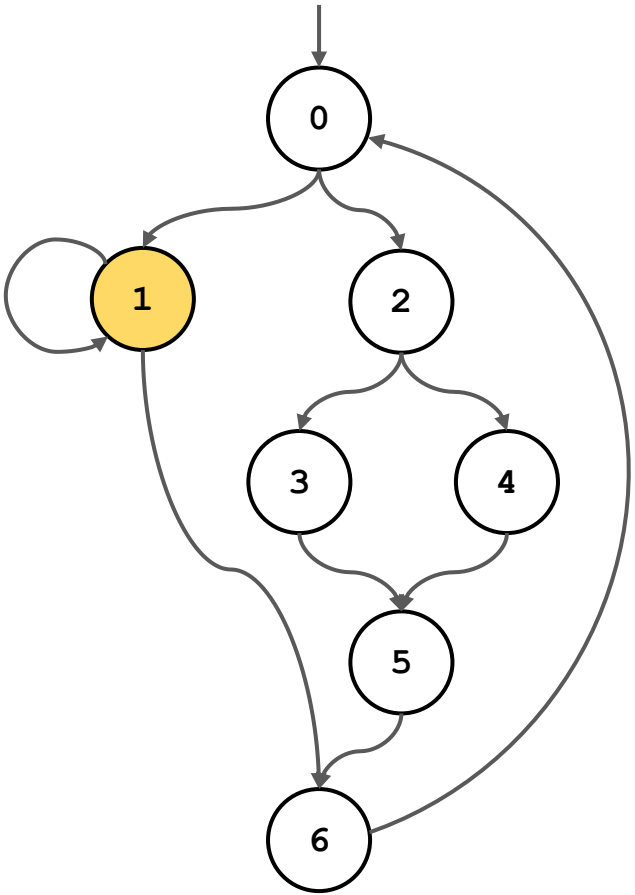
A node **0** is in the ***dominance frontier*** of node **0** iff **0** dominates an immediate predecessor **(6)** of **0** but **0** does not strictly dominate 0

0 dominates 6, 6 is an immediate predecessor of 0, 0 does not strictly dominate 0



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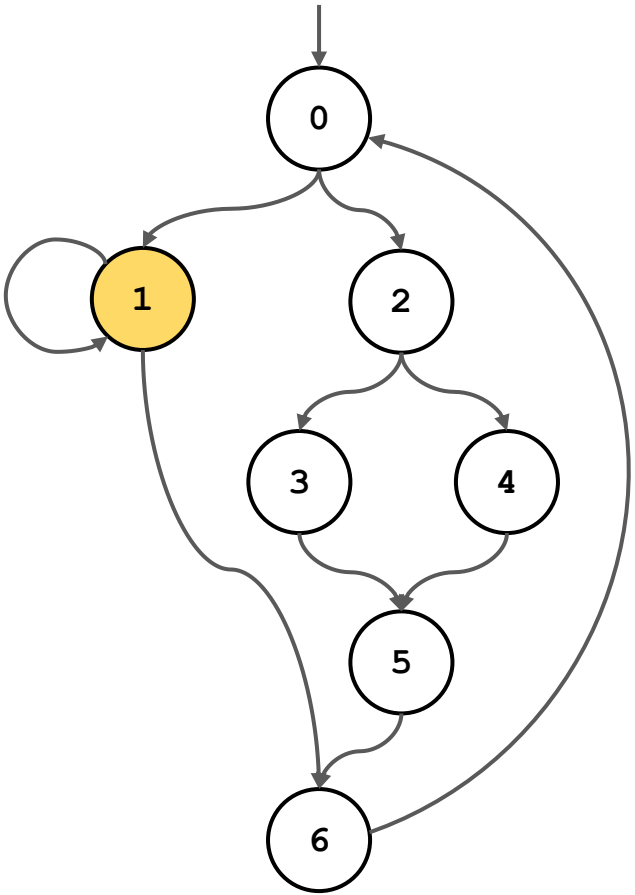

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0	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	0
1	ø	
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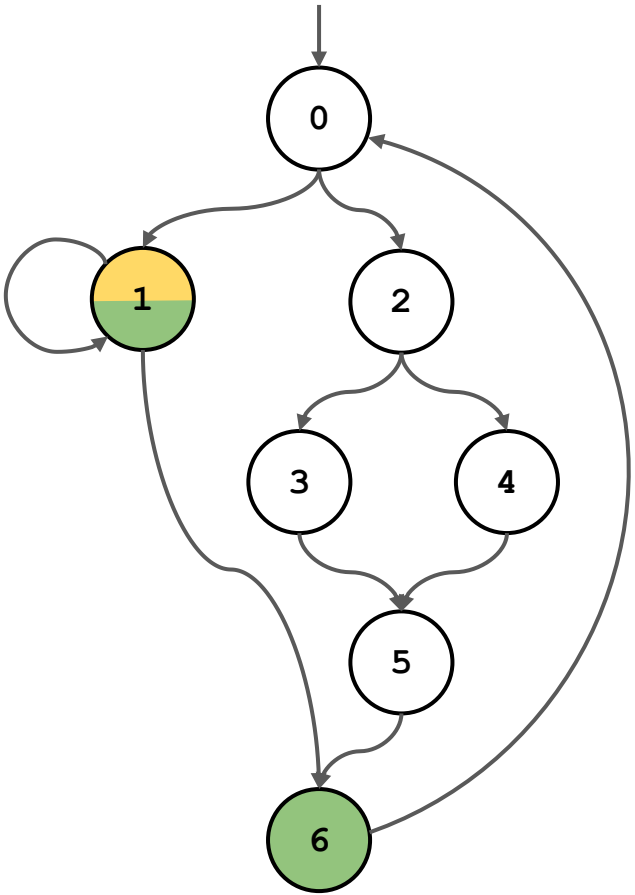
1 does not dominate 6 because there is a path from 5 that doesn't include 1. 1 does not strictly dominate itself



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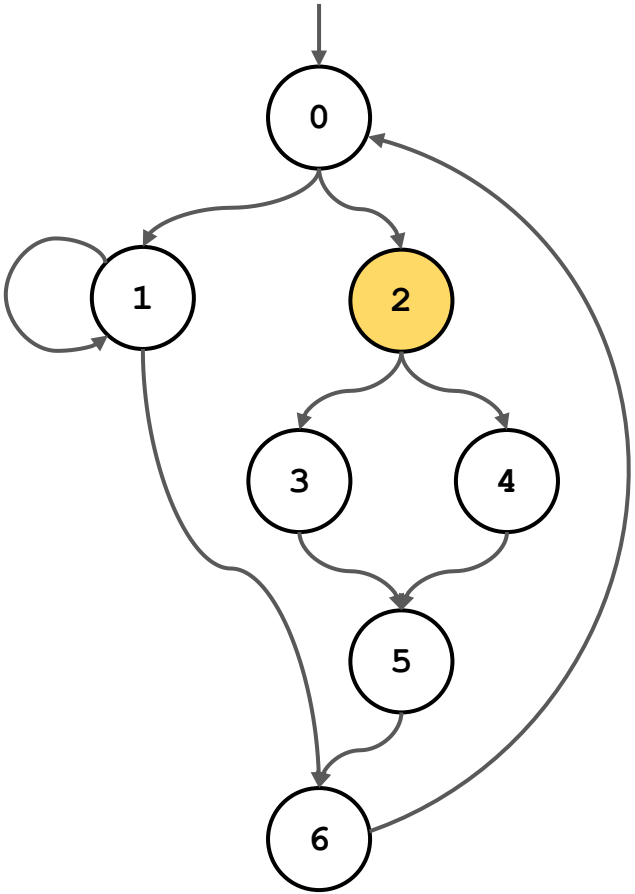

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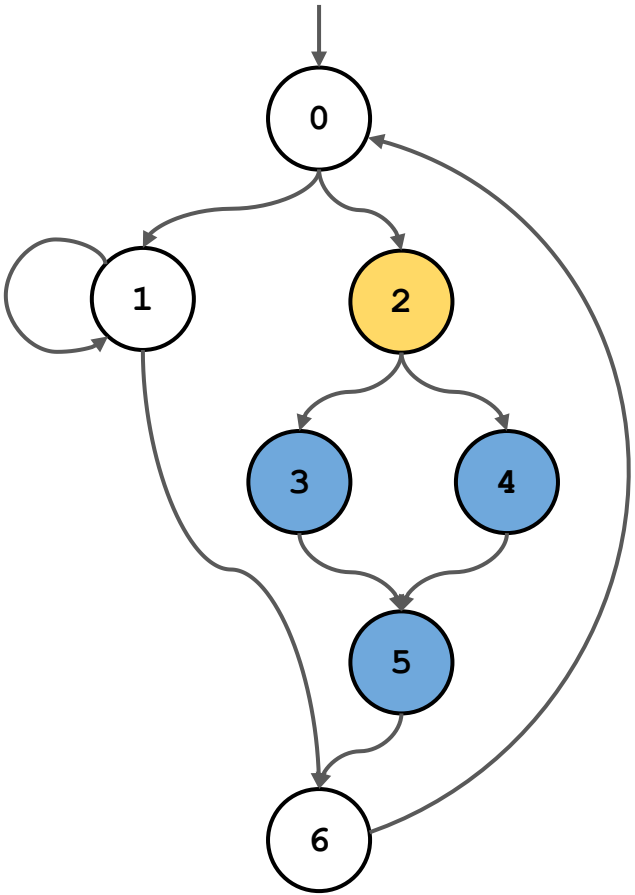

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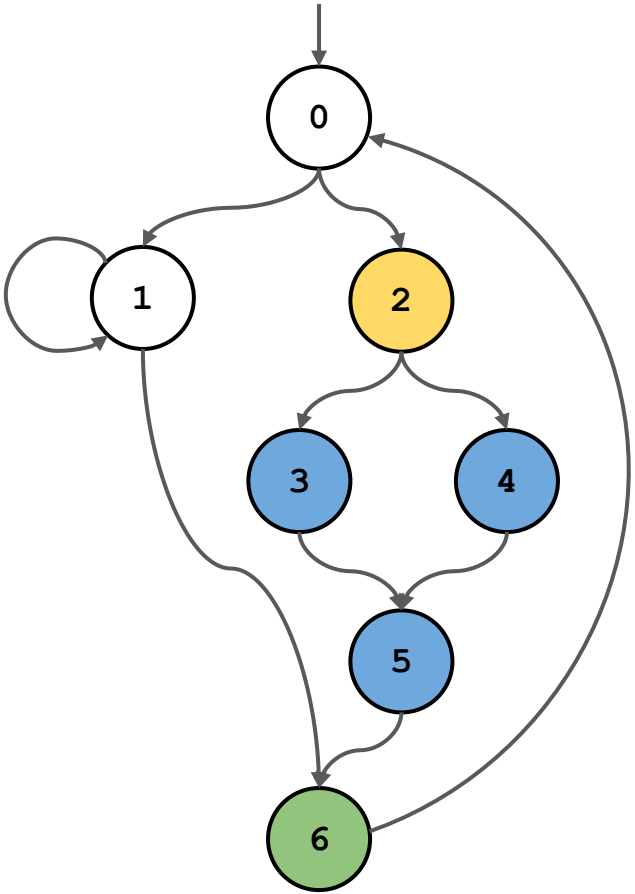

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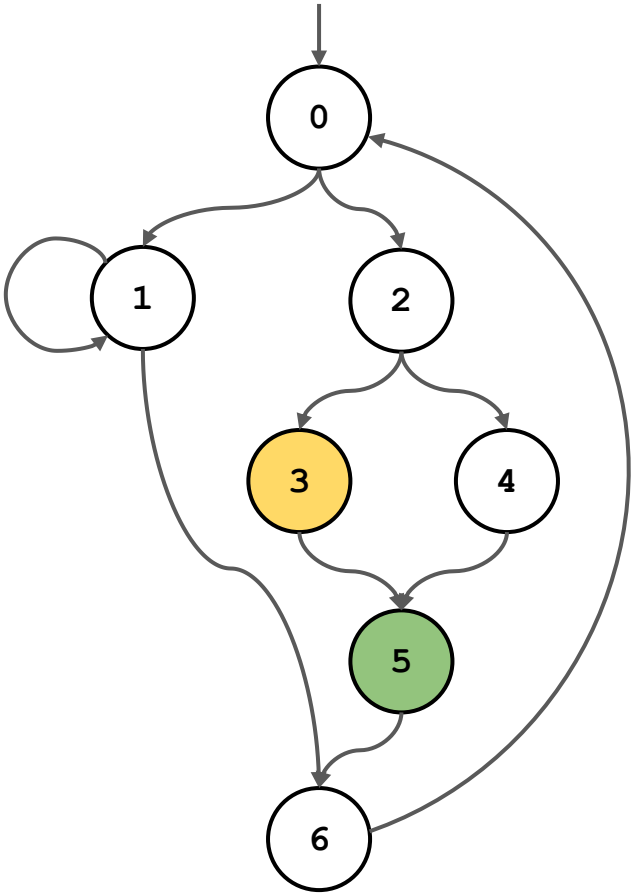
A node **Y** is in the ***dominance frontier*** of node **X** iff **X** dominates an immediate predecessor of **Y** but **X** does not strictly dominate **Y** .

X = 2, Y = 6, 2 dominates 5, 5 is an immediate predecessor of 6, 2 does not strictly dominate 6



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0	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	0
1	ø	1, 6
2	3, 4, 5	6
3	ø	5
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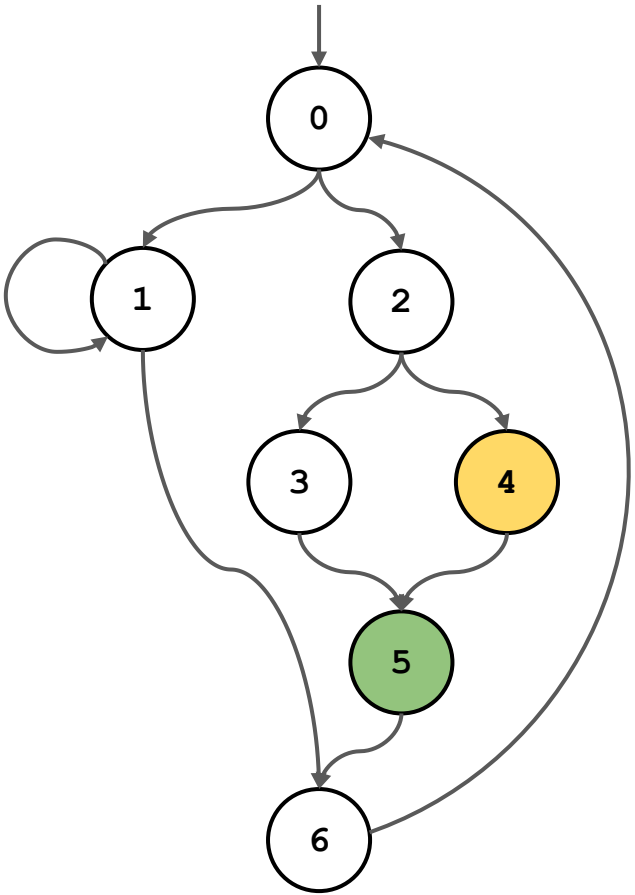
6		

3 does not strictly dominate 5 (path through 4) and therefore does not strictly dominate anything else

3 dominates 3, 3 is an immediate predecessor of 5, 3 does not strictly dominate 5



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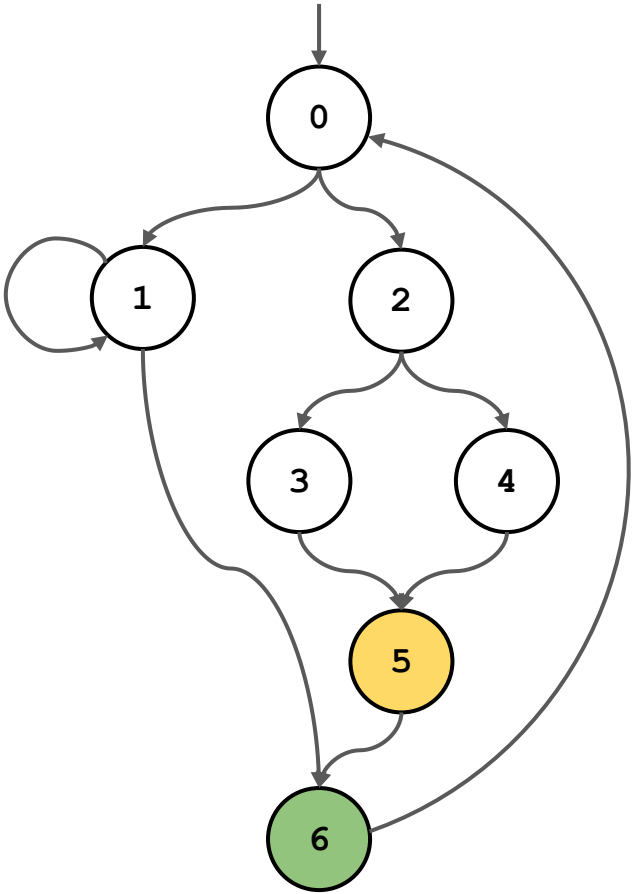
Same as previous slide but with 4 instead of 3



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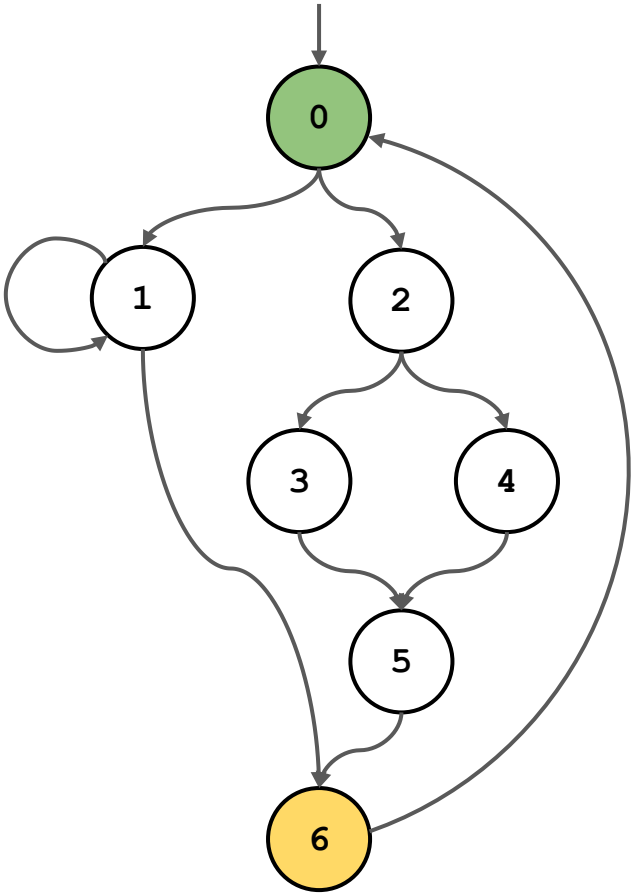
0	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	0
1	ø	1, 6
2	3, 4, 5	6
3	ø	5
4	ø	5
5	ø	6
6		

5 does not strictly dominate 6 (path through 1) and therefore does not strictly dominate anything else

5 dominates 5, 5 is an immediate predecessor of 6, 5 does not strictly dominate 6



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1	ø	1, 6
2	3, 4, 5	6
3	ø	5
4	ø	5
5	ø	6
6	ø	0

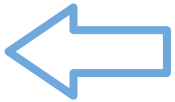
6 does not strictly dominate 0 (path through 0) and therefore does not strictly dominate anything else

6 dominates 6, 6 is an immediate predecessor of 0, 6 does not strictly dominate 0

Problem 2(b)

Converting to SSA

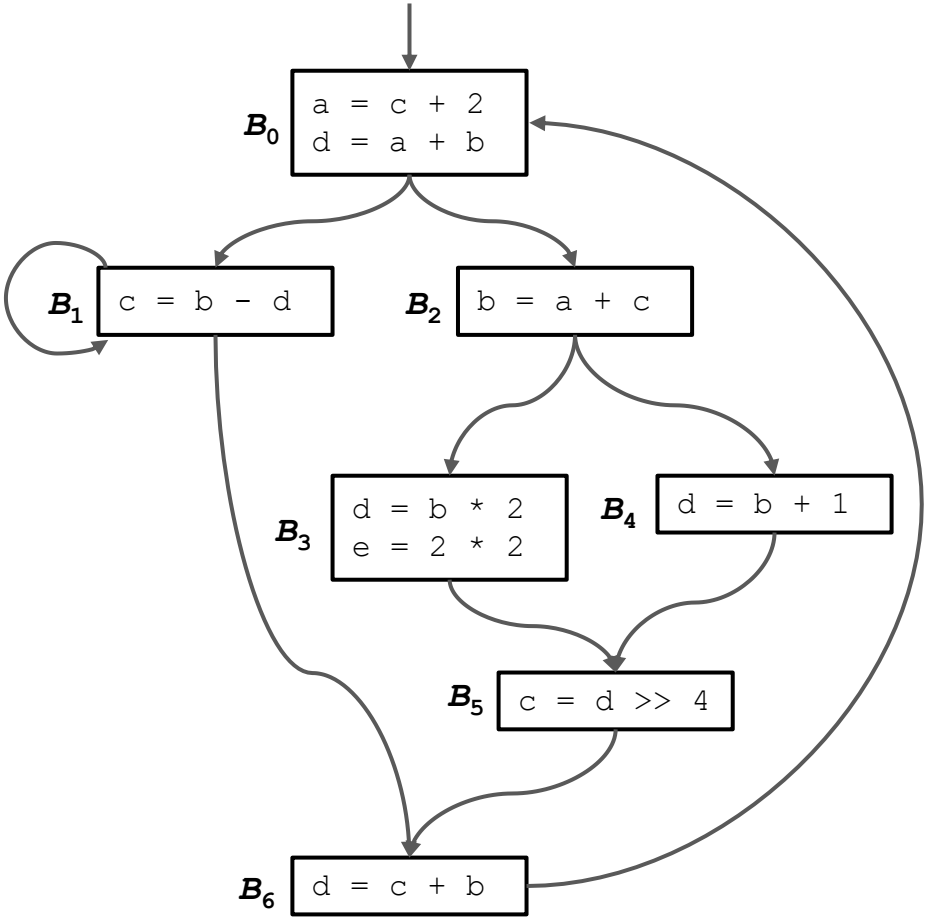
1. Compute the dominance frontier of each node



Already done (in problem 2a)

2. 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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0	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	0
1	Ø	1, 6
2	3, 4, 5	6
3	Ø	5
4	Ø	5
5	Ø	6
6	Ø	0

Converting to SSA

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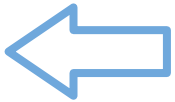
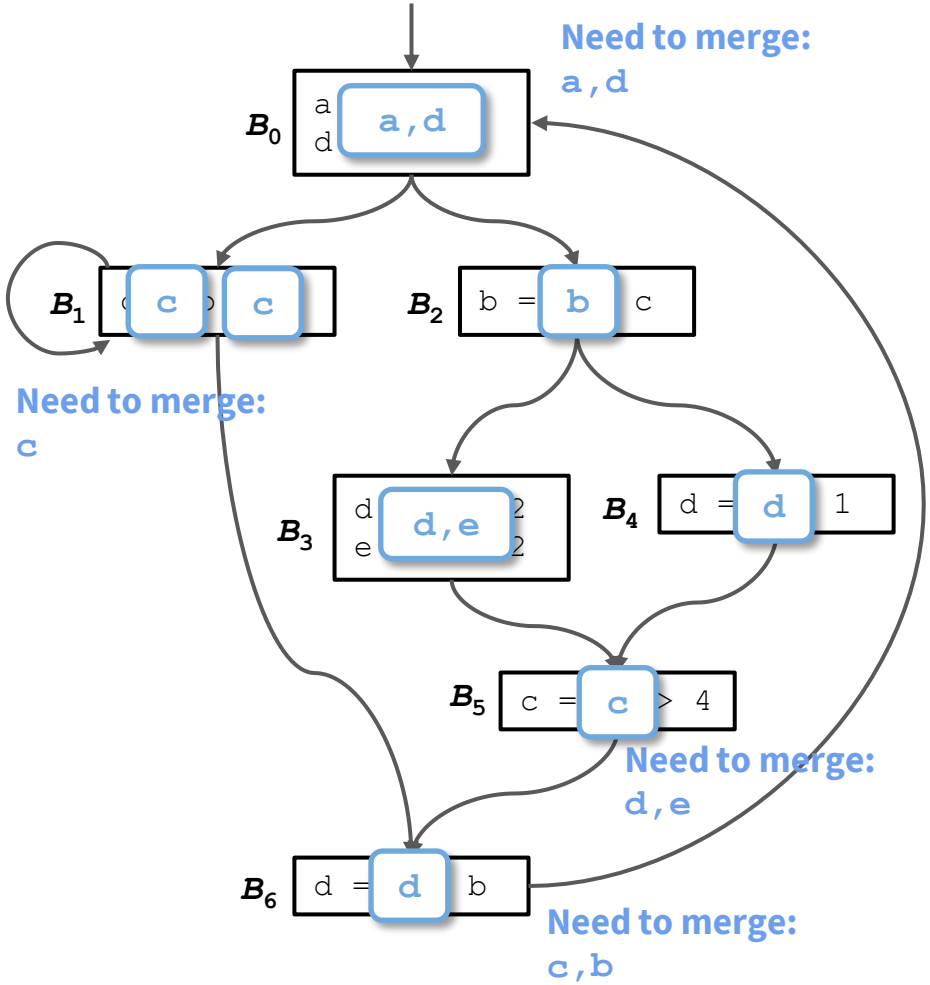


We will compute using the dominance frontiers

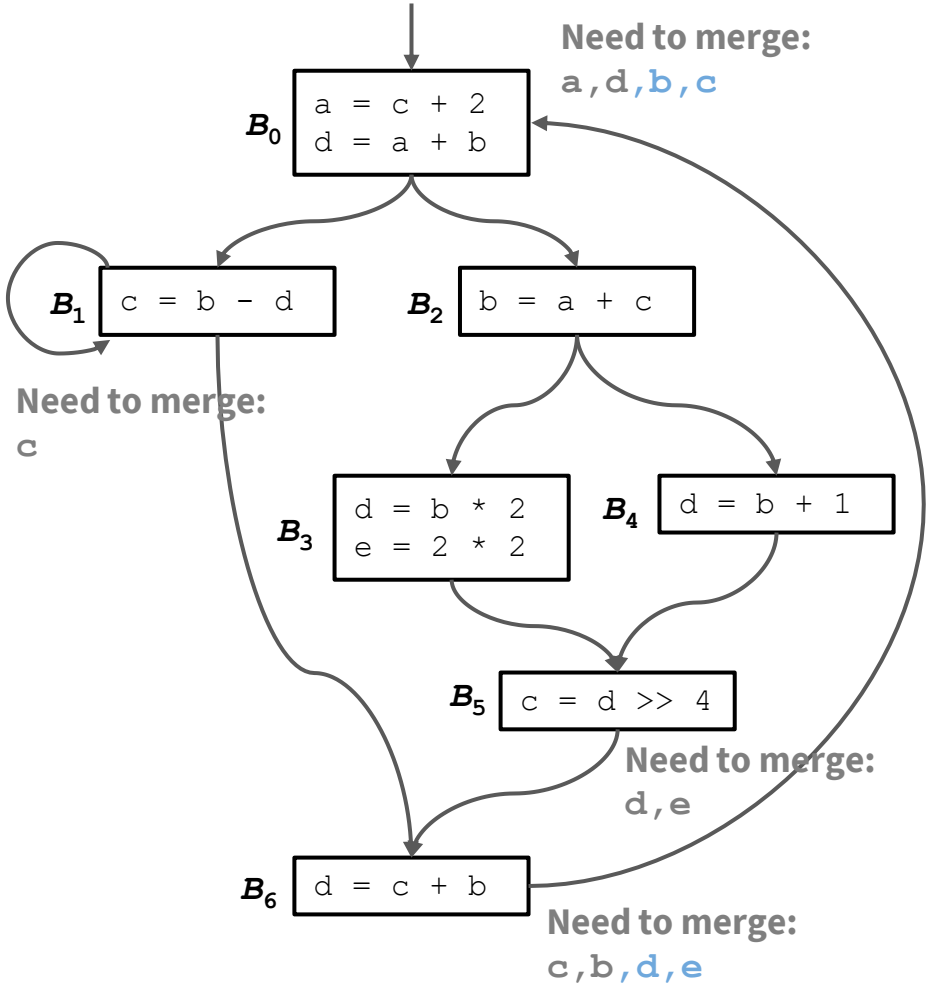
3. Assign numbers to definitions and add phi functions



Step 2: Determine Necessary Merges

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

NODE		DOMINANCE FRONTIER
0	a , d	0
1	c	1 , 6
2	b	6
3	d , e	5
4	d	5
5	c	6
6	d	0



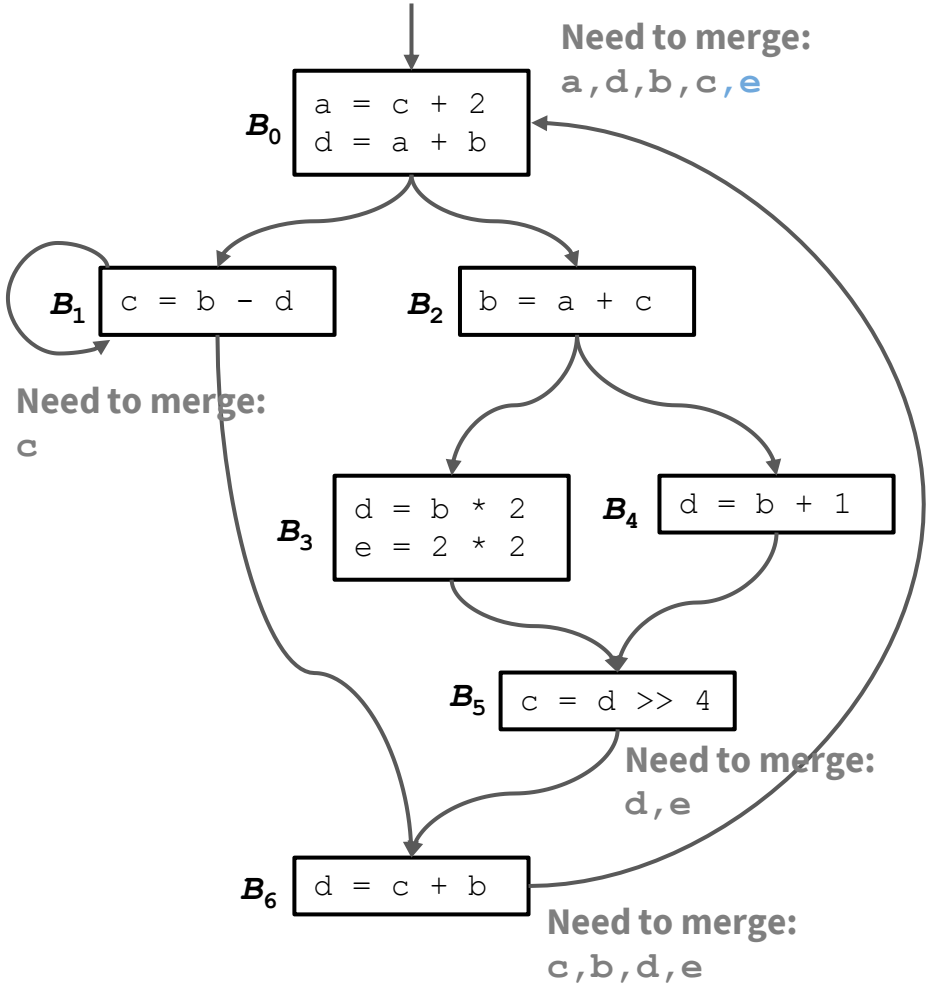
Step 2: Determine Necessary Merges

ITERATION 2: Each merge will create a new definition, which may need merging again.

NODE	DOMINANCE FRONTIER
0	0
1	1, 6
2	6
3	5
4	5
5	6
6	0

d,e

b,c



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1	1, 6
2	6
3	5
4	5
5	6
6	0

d,e

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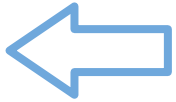

Place phi functions first, then increment subscripts

Step 3: Assign Definition Numbers

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

B_0

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a = c + 2
d = a + b
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Need to merge:
a,b,c,d,e

B_0

$a_1 = \Phi(a_0, a_2)$
$b_1 = \Phi(b_0, b_3)$
$c_1 = \Phi(c_0, c_5)$
$d_1 = \Phi(d_0, d_7)$
$e_1 = \Phi(e_0, e_4)$
$a_2 = c_1 + 2$
$d_2 = a_2 + b_1$

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

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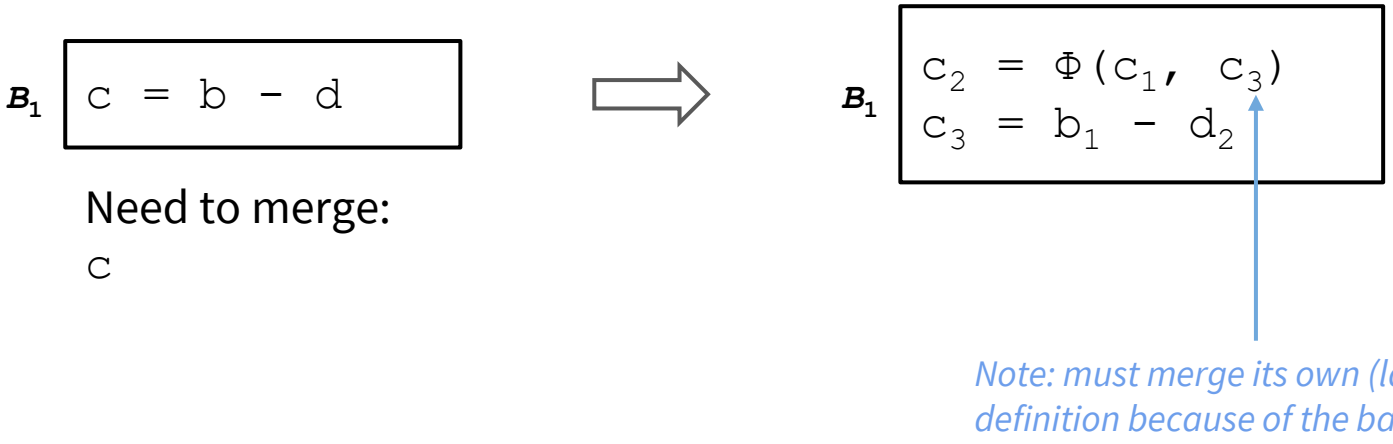

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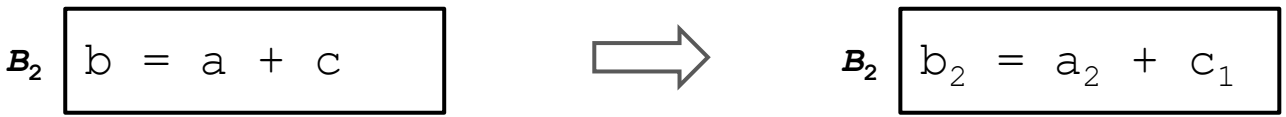

Nothing to merge

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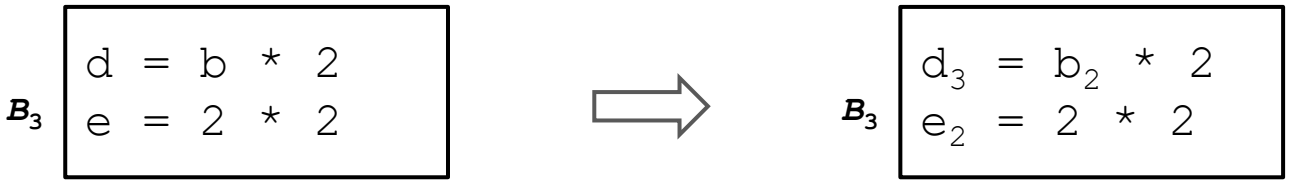

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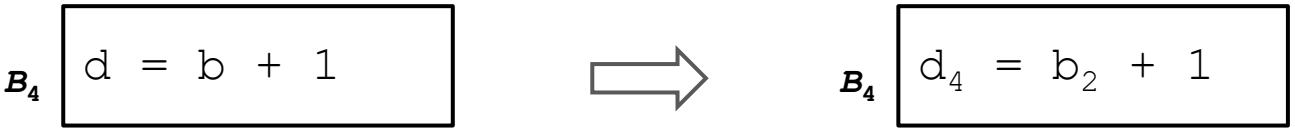

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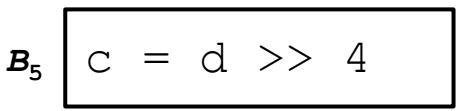
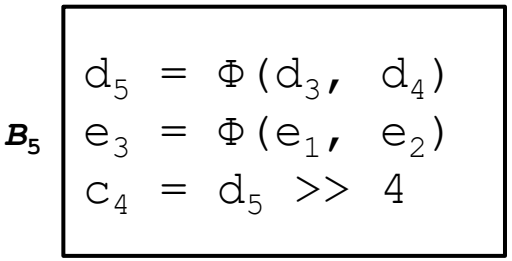


Need to merge:
d, e



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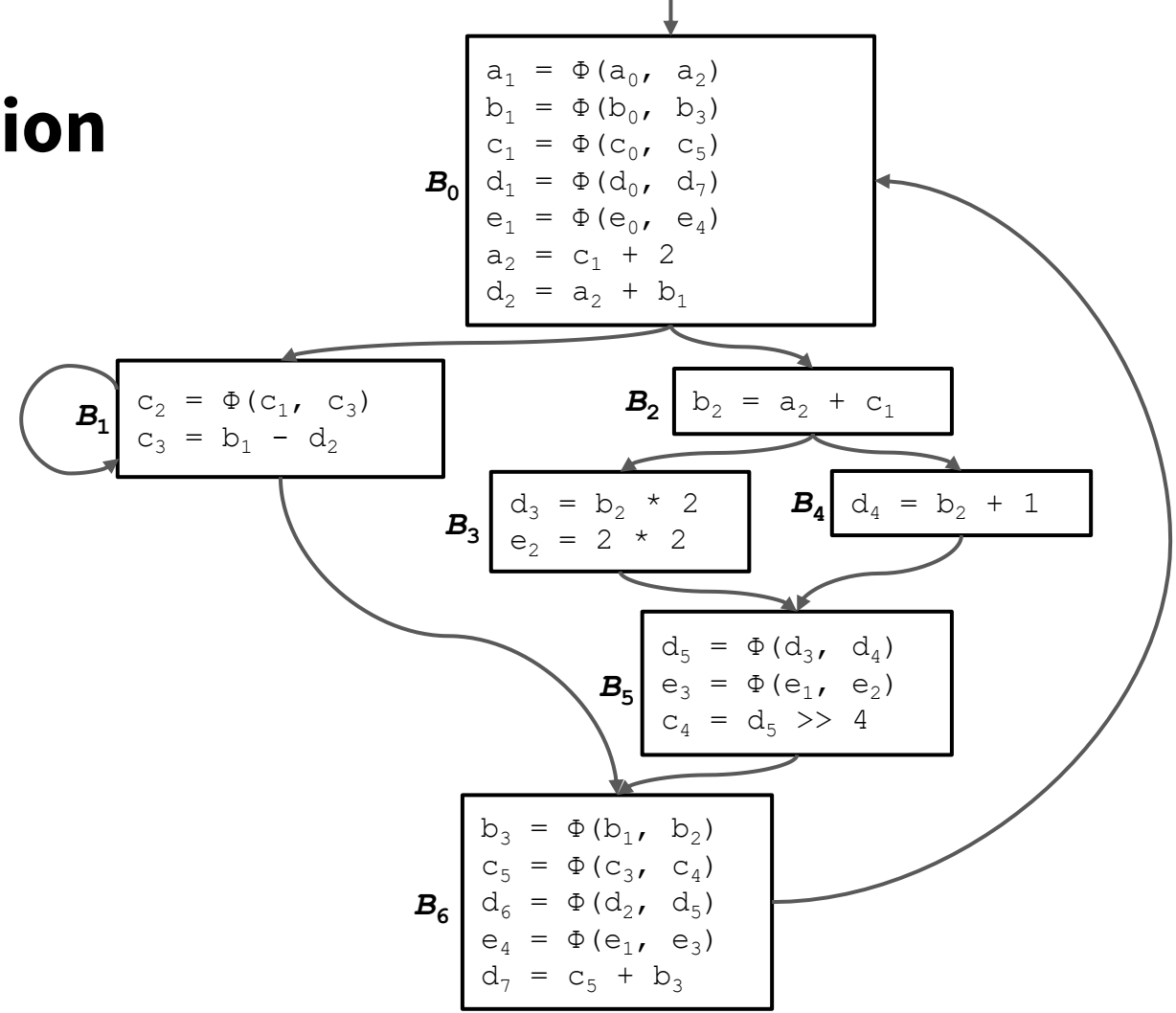
B_6 | `d = c + b`

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

B_6

$b_3 = \Phi(b_1, b_2)$
$c_5 = \Phi(c_3, c_4)$
$d_6 = \Phi(d_2, d_5)$
$e_4 = \Phi(e_1, e_3)$
$d_7 = c_5 + b_3$

Solution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$e_1 = \Phi(e_0, e_4)$
$a_2 = c_1 + 2$
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B_1
$c_2 = \Phi(c_1, c_3)$
$c_3 = b_1 - d_2$
B_2
$b_2 = a_2 + c_1$
B_3
$d_3 = b_2 * 2$
$e_2 = 2 * 2$
B_4
$d_4 = b_2 + 1$
B_5
$d_5 = \Phi(d_3, d_4)$
$e_3 = \Phi(e_1, e_2)$
$c_4 = d_5 >> 4$
B_6
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$c_5 = \Phi(c_3, c_4)$
$d_6 = \Phi(d_2, d_5)$
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