

Program Analysis and Verification

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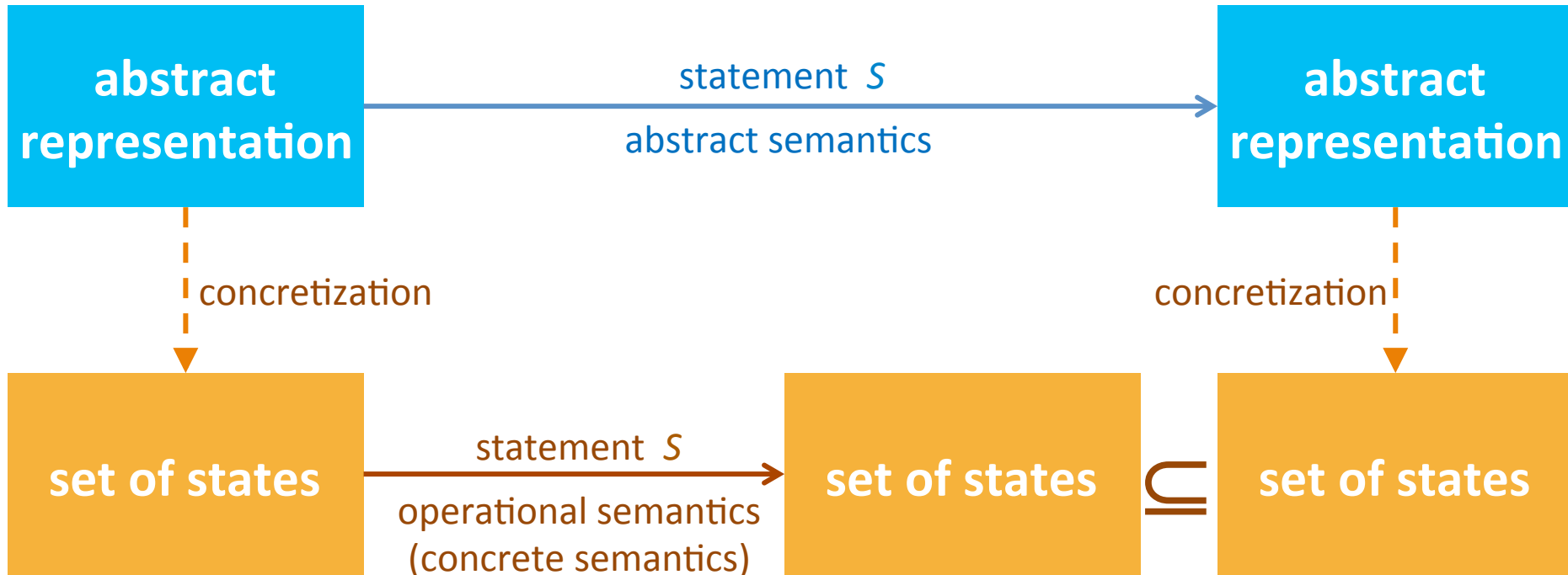
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Lecture 12: Interprocedural Analysis

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Abstract (conservative) interpretation



The collecting lattice

- Lattice for a given control-flow node v :

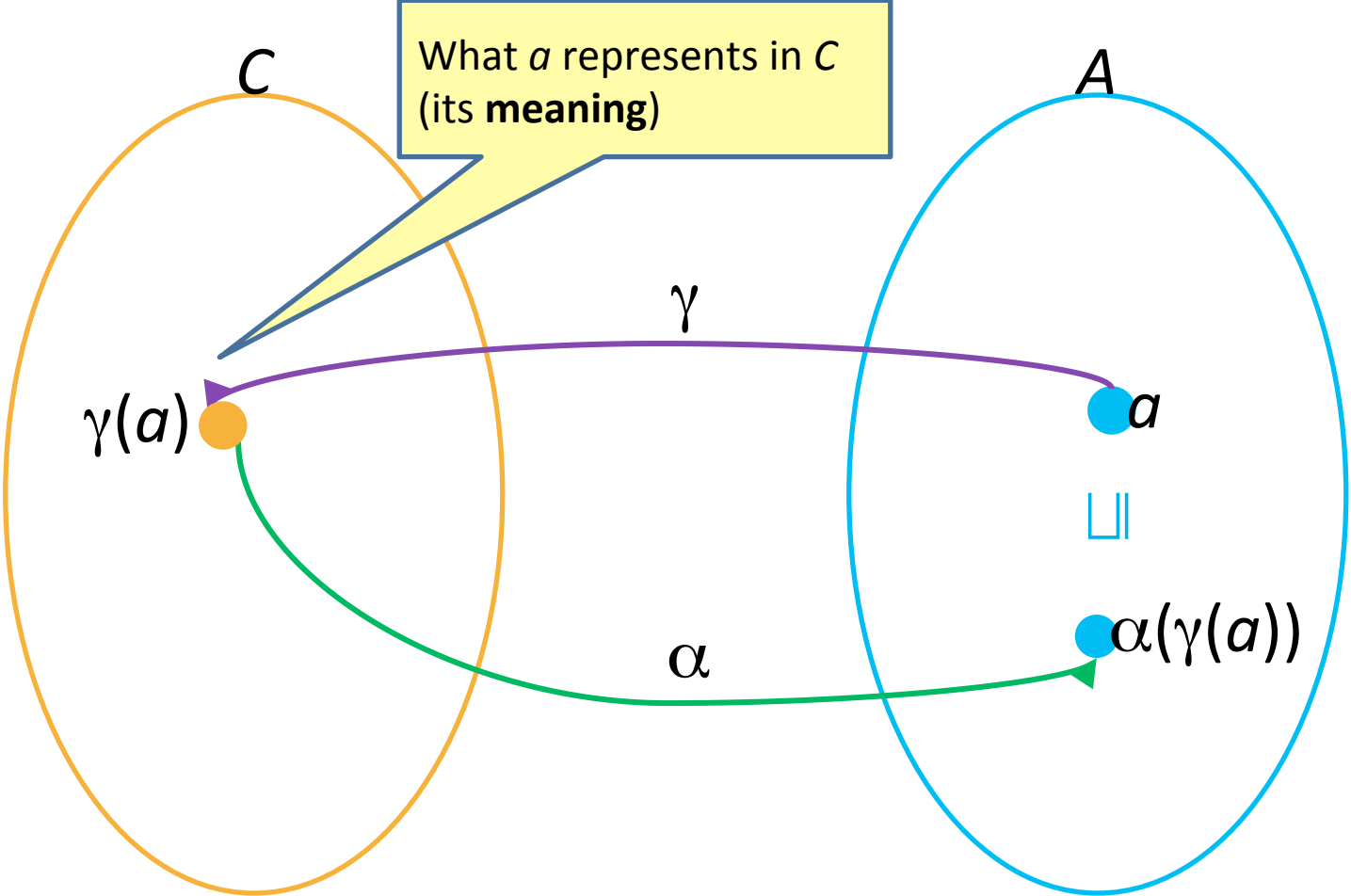
$$L_v = (2^{\text{State}}, \subseteq, \cup, \cap, \emptyset, \mathbf{State})$$

- Lattice for entire control-flow graph with nodes V :

$$L_{\text{CFG}} = \text{Map}(V, L_v)$$

- We will use this lattice as a baseline for static analysis and define abstractions of its elements

Galois Connection: $\alpha(\gamma(a)) \sqsubseteq a$



Resulting algorithm

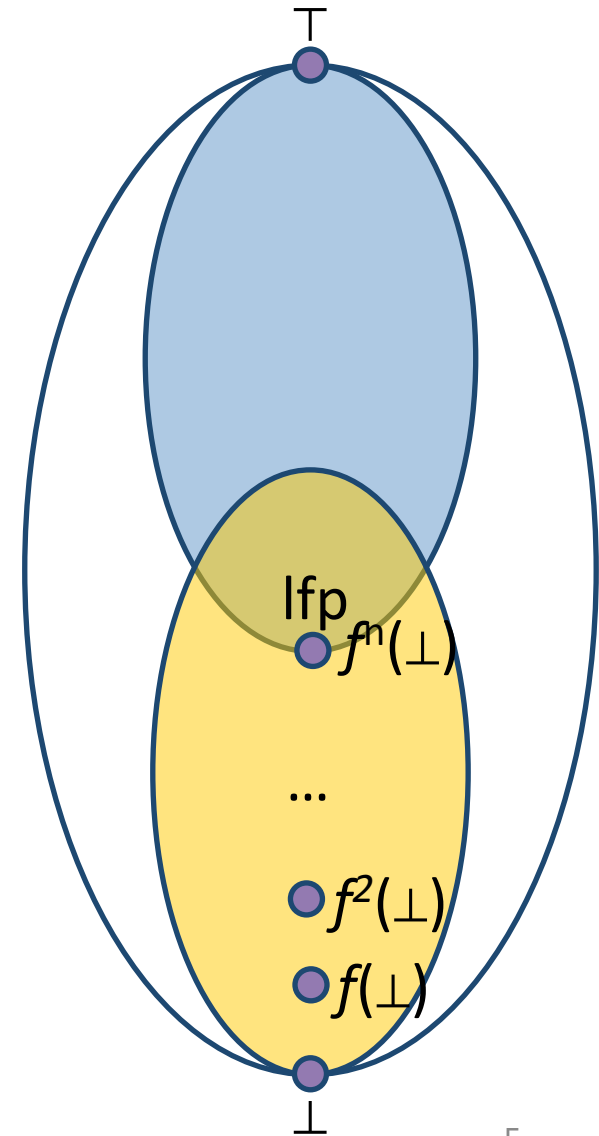
- Kleene's fixed point theorem gives a constructive method for computing the lfp

Mathematical definition

$$\text{lfp}(f) = \bigsqcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f^n(\perp)$$

Algorithm

```
 $d := \perp$   
while  $f(d) \neq d$  do  
   $d := d \sqcup f(d)$   
return  $d$ 
```



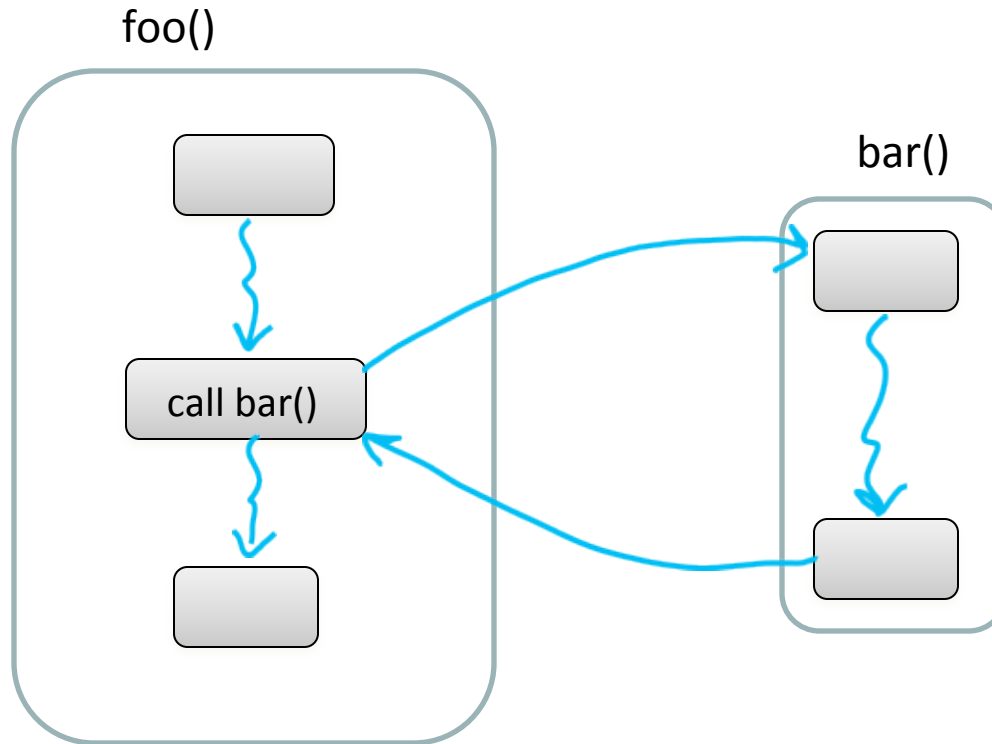
What about procedures?

Procedural program

```
void main() {  
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    x = p(7);  
    x = p(9);  
}
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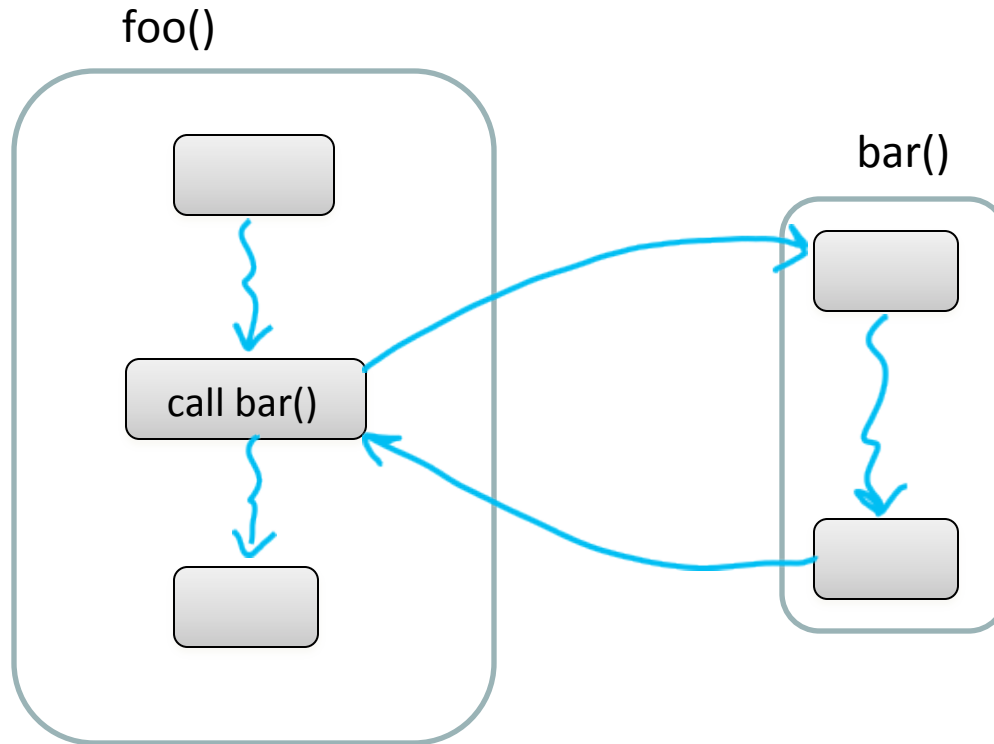
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int p(int a) {  
    return a + 1;  
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Effect of procedures



The effect of calling a procedure is the effect of executing its body

Interprocedural Analysis

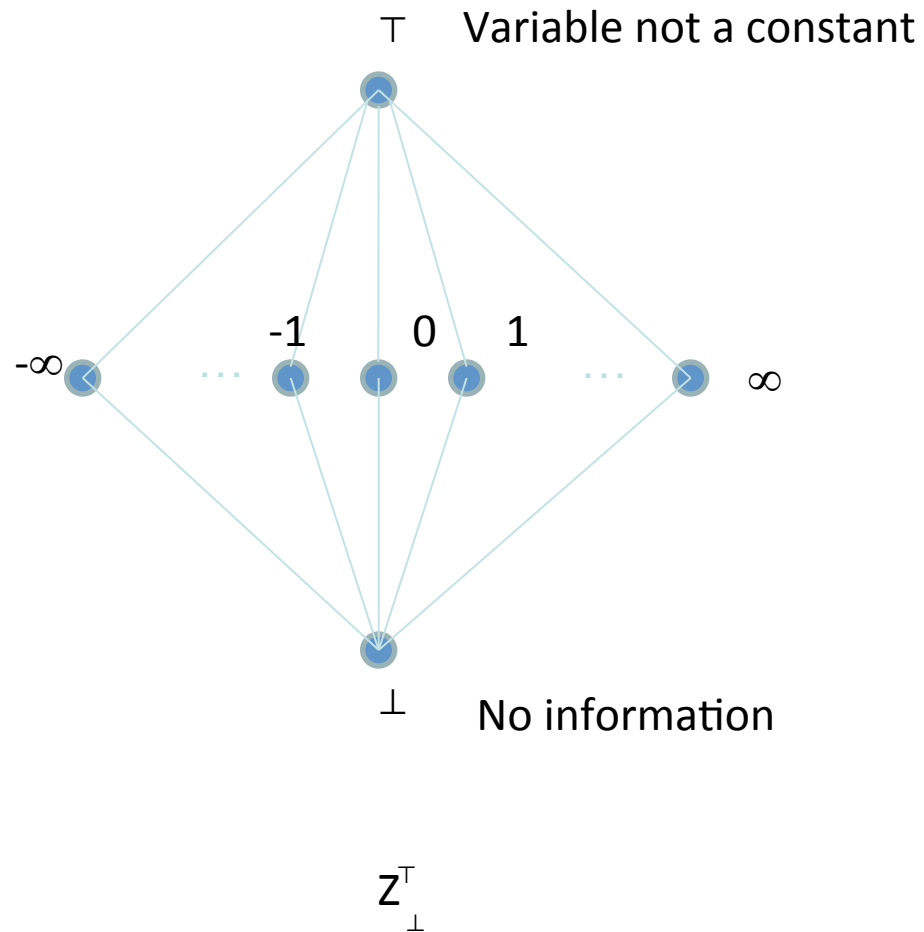


goal: compute the abstract effect of calling a procedure

Reduction to intraprocedural analysis

- Procedure inlining
- Naive solution: call-as-goto

Reminder: Constant Propagation



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- $L = (\text{Var} \rightarrow Z, \sqsubseteq)$
- $\sigma_1 \sqsubseteq \sigma_2$ iff $\forall x: \sigma_1(x) \sqsubseteq' \sigma_2(x)$
 - \sqsubseteq' ordering in the Z lattice
- Examples:
 - $[x \mapsto \perp, y \mapsto 42, z \mapsto \perp] \sqsubseteq [x \mapsto \perp, y \mapsto 42, z \mapsto 73]$
 - $[x \mapsto \perp, y \mapsto 42, z \mapsto 73] \sqsubseteq [x \mapsto \perp, y \mapsto 42, z \mapsto \top]$

Reminder: Constant Propagation

- Conservative Solution
 - Every detected constant is indeed constant
 - But may fail to identify some constants
 - Every potential impact is identified
 - Superfluous impacts

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}
```

Procedure Inlining

- Pros
 - Simple
- Cons
 - Does not handle recursion
 - Exponential blow up
 - Reanalyzing the body of procedures

```
p1 {                p2 {                p3{
  call p2           call p3
  ...
  call p2           call p3
}
```

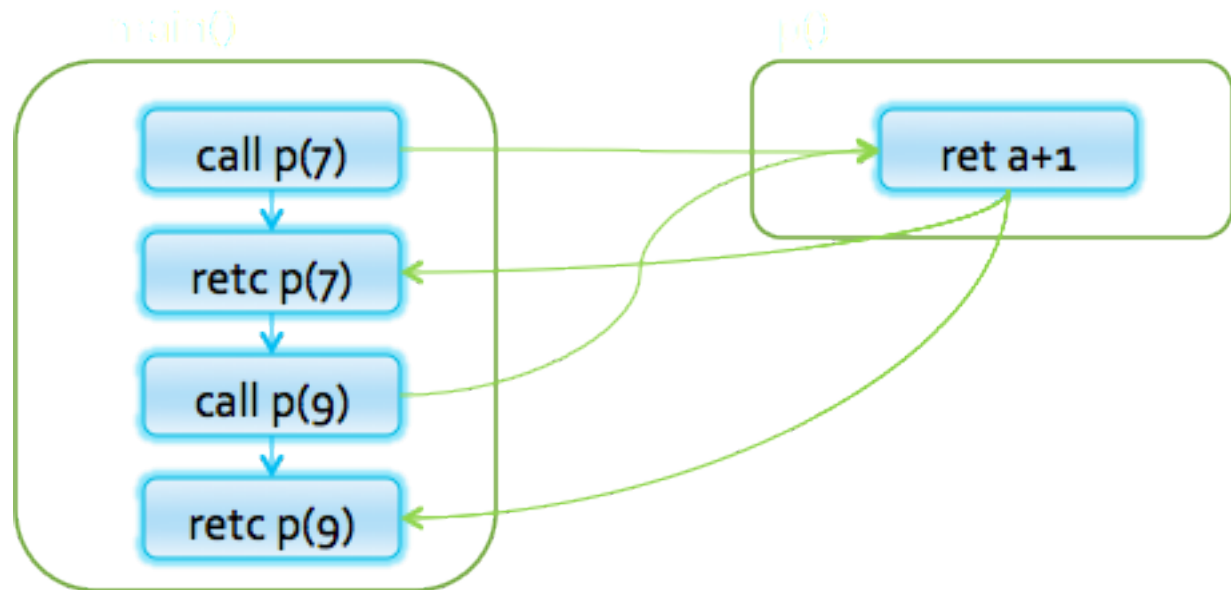

A Naive Interprocedural solution

- Treat procedure calls as gotos

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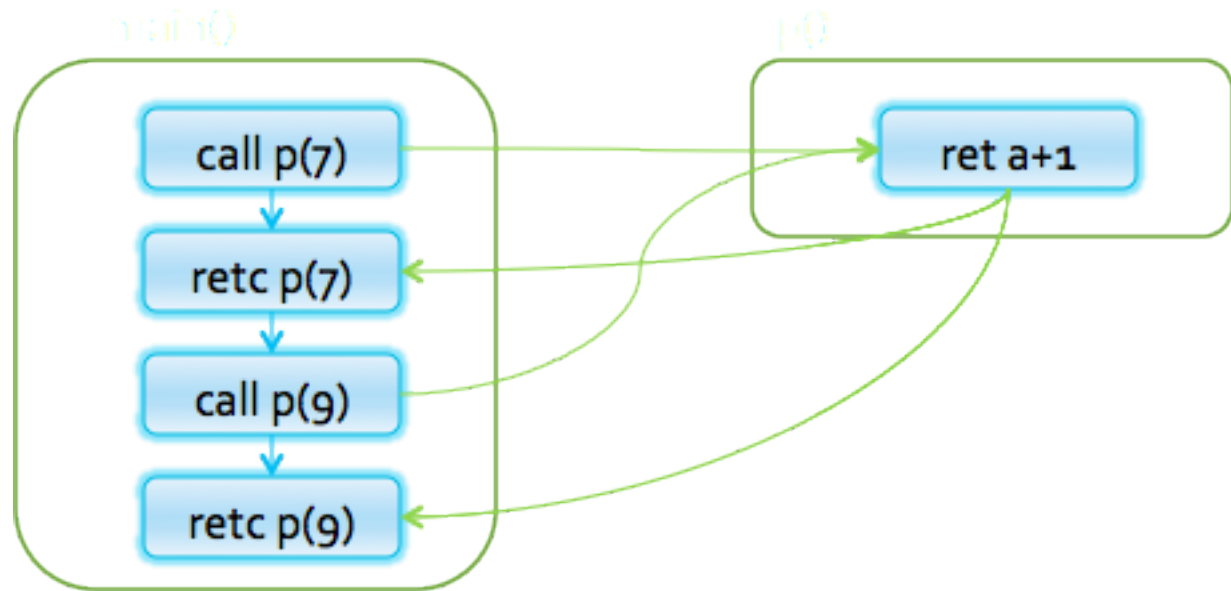
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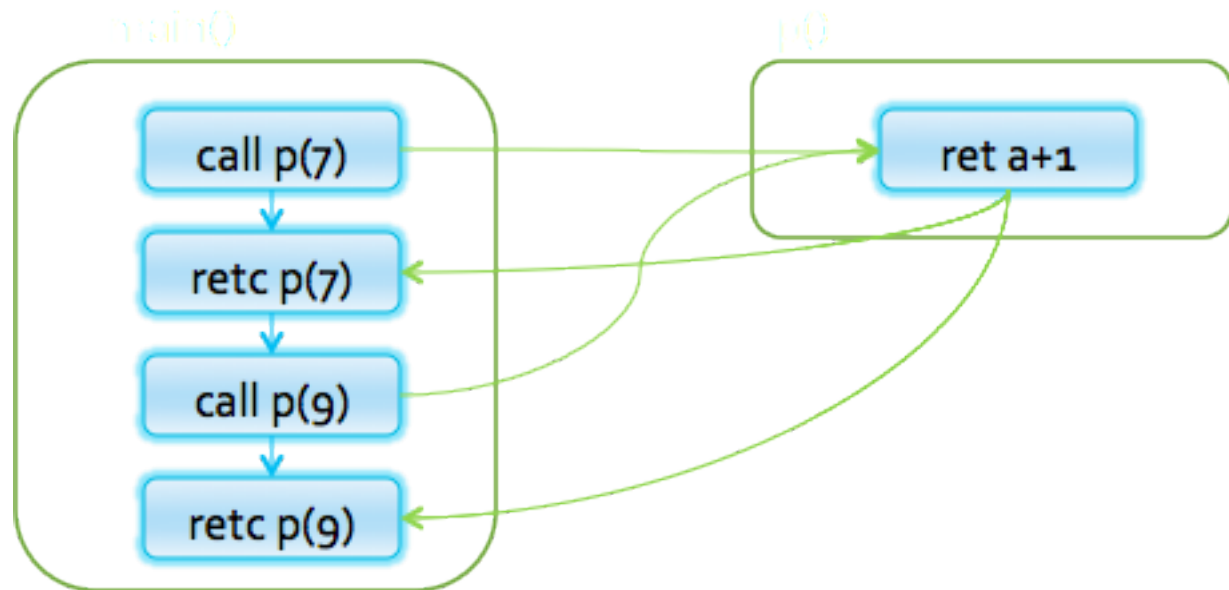
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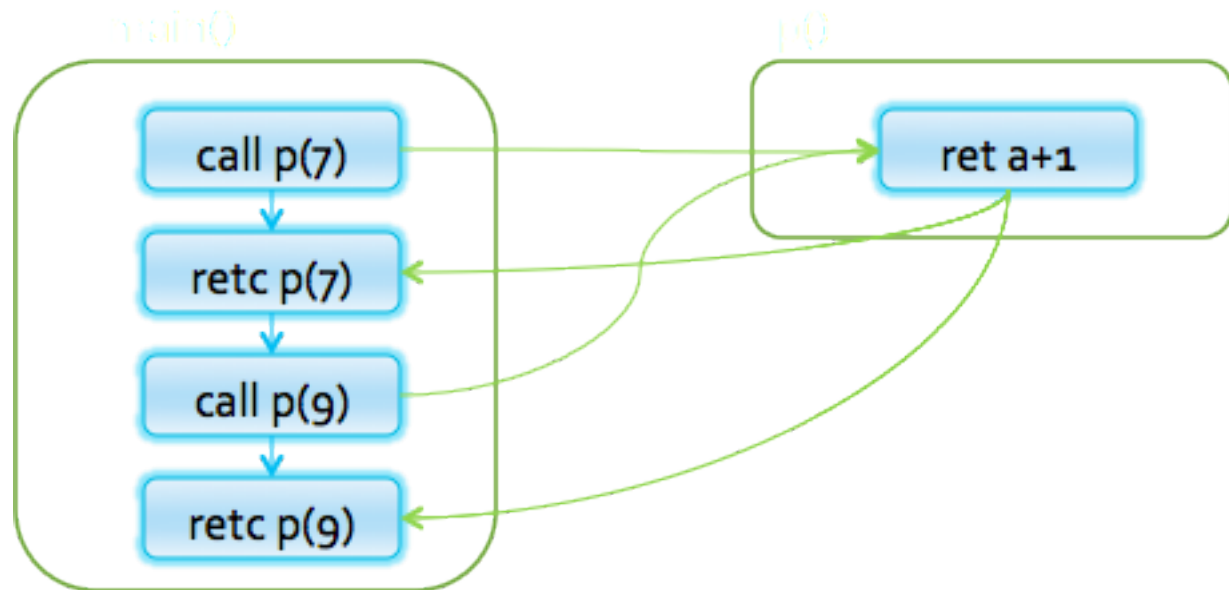
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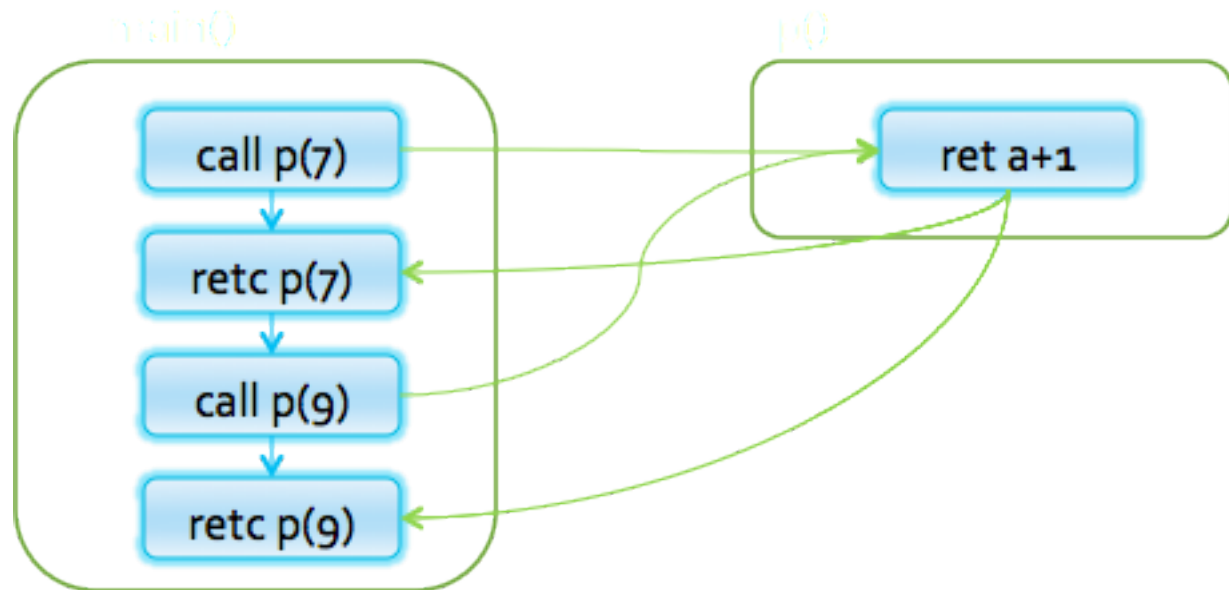
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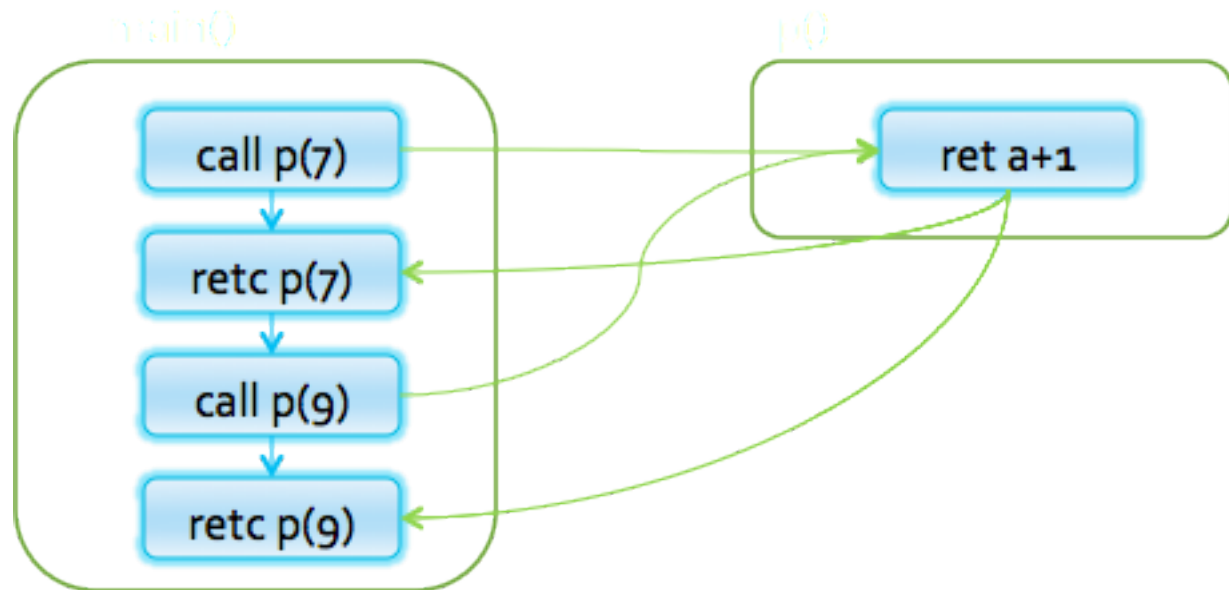
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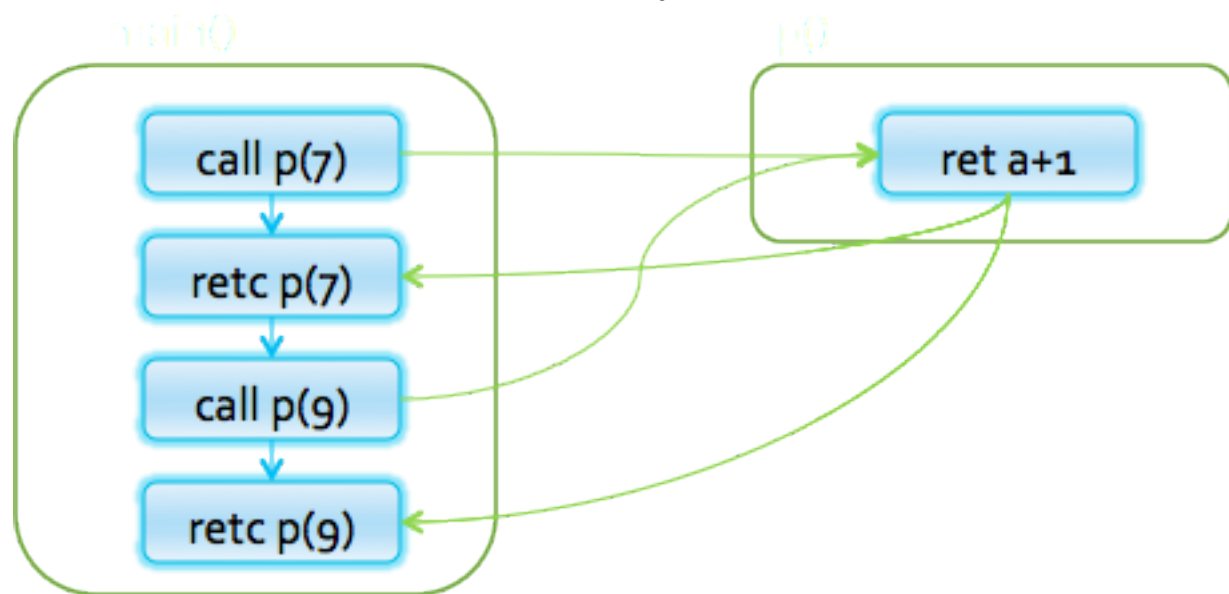
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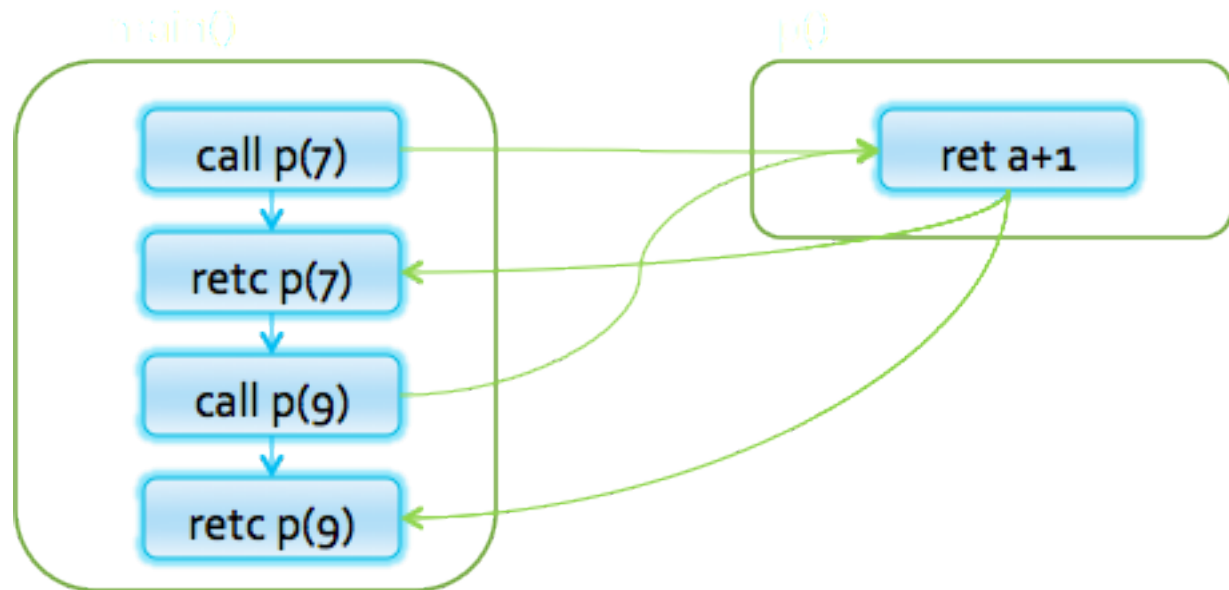
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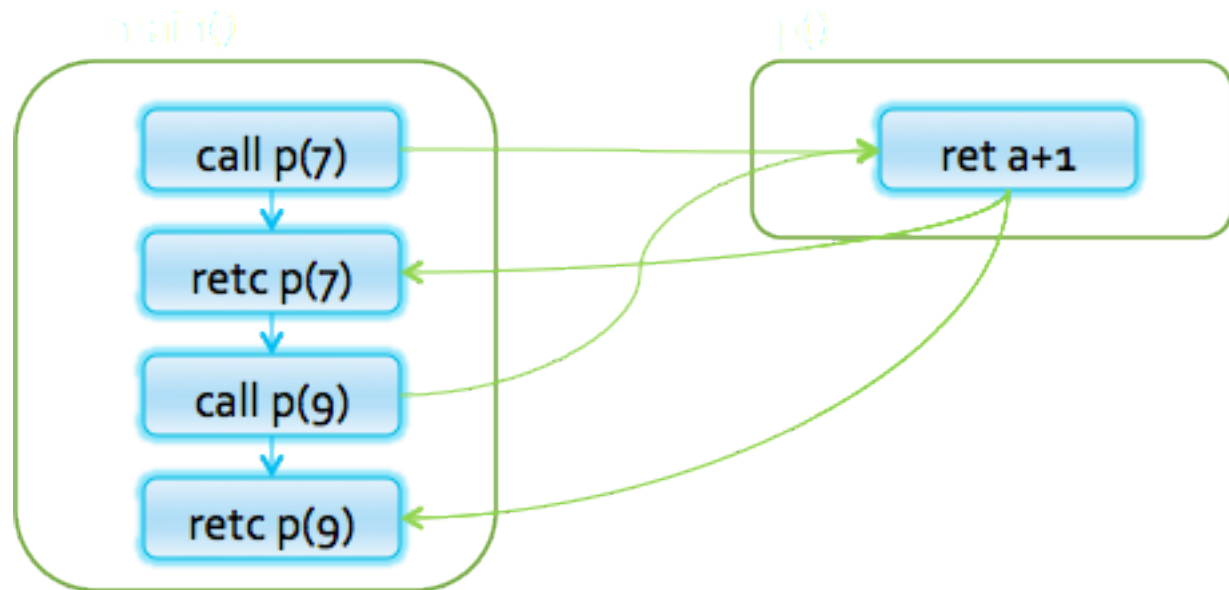
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A Naive Interprocedural solution

- Treat procedure calls as gotos
- Pros:
 - Simple
 - Usually fast
- Cons:
 - Abstract call/return correlations
 - Obtain a conservative solution

analysis by reduction

Call-as-goto

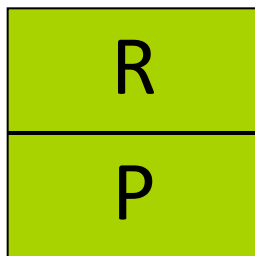
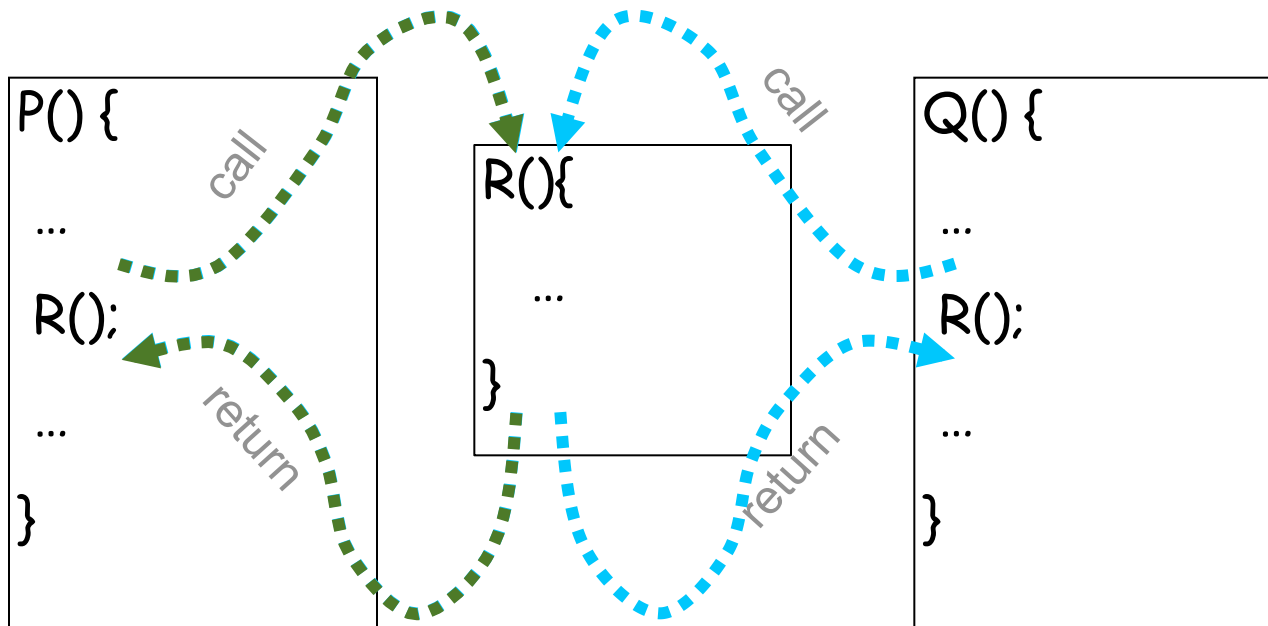
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```

why was the naive solution less precise?

Stack regime



Guiding light

- Exploit stack regime
 - ➔ Precision
 - ➔ Efficiency



Simplifying Assumptions

- Parameter passed by value
 - No procedure nesting
 - No concurrency
- ✓ Recursion is supported

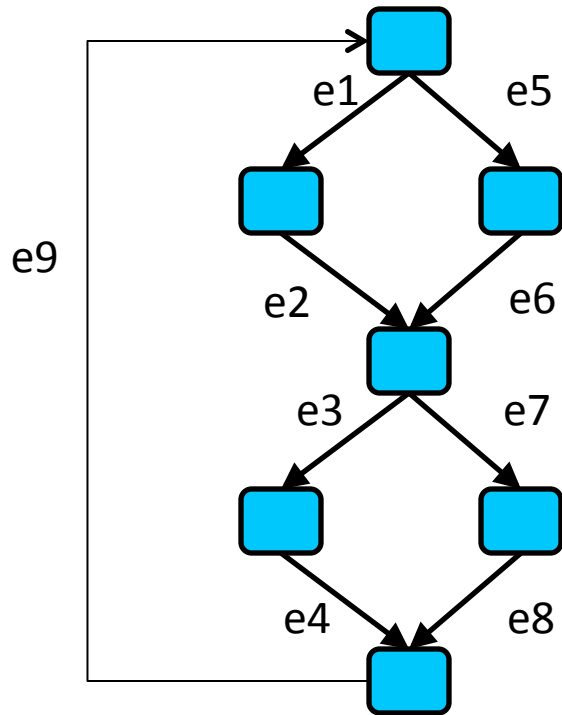
Topics Covered

- ✓ Procedure Inlining
- ✓ The naive approach
 - Valid paths
 - The callstring approach
 - The Functional Approach
 - IFDS: Interprocedural Analysis via Graph Reachability
 - IDE: Beyond graph reachability
- The trivial modular approach

Join-Over-All-Paths (JOP)

- Let $\text{paths}(v)$ denote the potentially infinite set paths from start to v (written as sequences of edges)
- For a sequence of edges $[e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n]$ define $f [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n]: L \rightarrow L$ by composing the effects of basic blocks
$$f [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n](l) = f(e_n) (\dots (f(e_2) (f(e_1) (l)) \dots))$$
- $\text{JOP}[v] = \sqcup \{f [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n](l) \mid [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n] \in \text{paths}(v)\}$

Join-Over-All-Paths (JOP)



Paths transformers:

$f[e1,e2,e3,e4]$

$f[e1,e2,e7,e8]$

$f[e5,e6,e7,e8]$

$f[e5,e6,e3,e4]$

$f[e1,e2,e3,e4,e9, e1,e2,e3,e4]$

$f[e1,e2,e7,e8,e9, e1,e2,e3,e4,e9,...]$

...

JOP:

$f[e1,e2,e3,e4](\text{initial}) \sqcup$

$f[e1,e2,e7,e8](\text{initial}) \sqcup$

$f[e5,e6,e7,e8](\text{initial}) \sqcup$

$f[e5,e6,e3,e4](\text{initial}) \sqcup \dots$

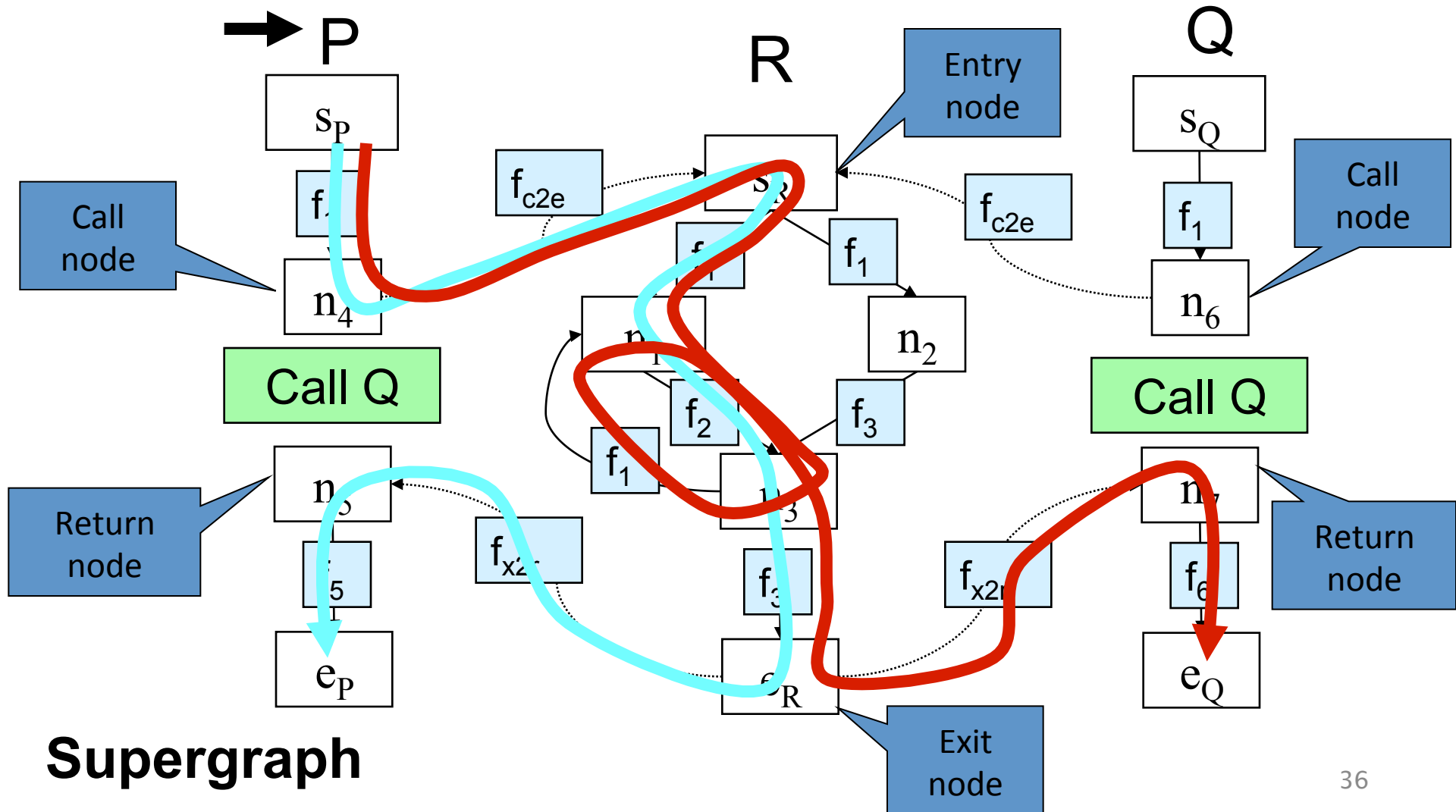
Number of program paths is unbounded due to loops

The lfp computation approximates JOP

- $JOP[v] = \sqcup \{f[e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n](\perp) \mid [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n] \in \text{paths}(v)\}$
- $LFP[v] = \sqcup \{f[e](LFP[v']) \mid e = (v', v)\}$
 $LFP[v_0] = \perp$
- $JOP \sqsubseteq LFP$ - for a monotone function
 - $f(x \sqcup y) \supseteq f(x) \sqcup f(y)$
- $JOP = LFP$ - for a distributive function
 - $f(x \sqcup y) = f(x) \sqcup f(y)$

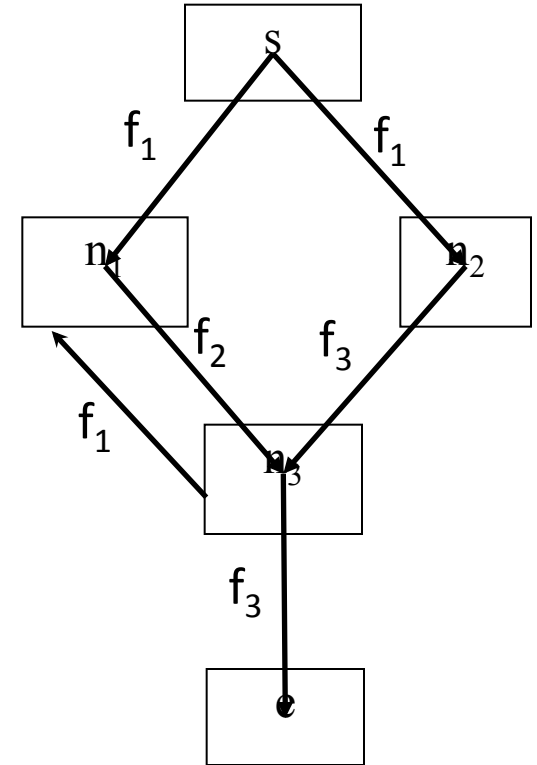
JOP may not be precise enough for interprocedural analysis!

Interprocedural analysis

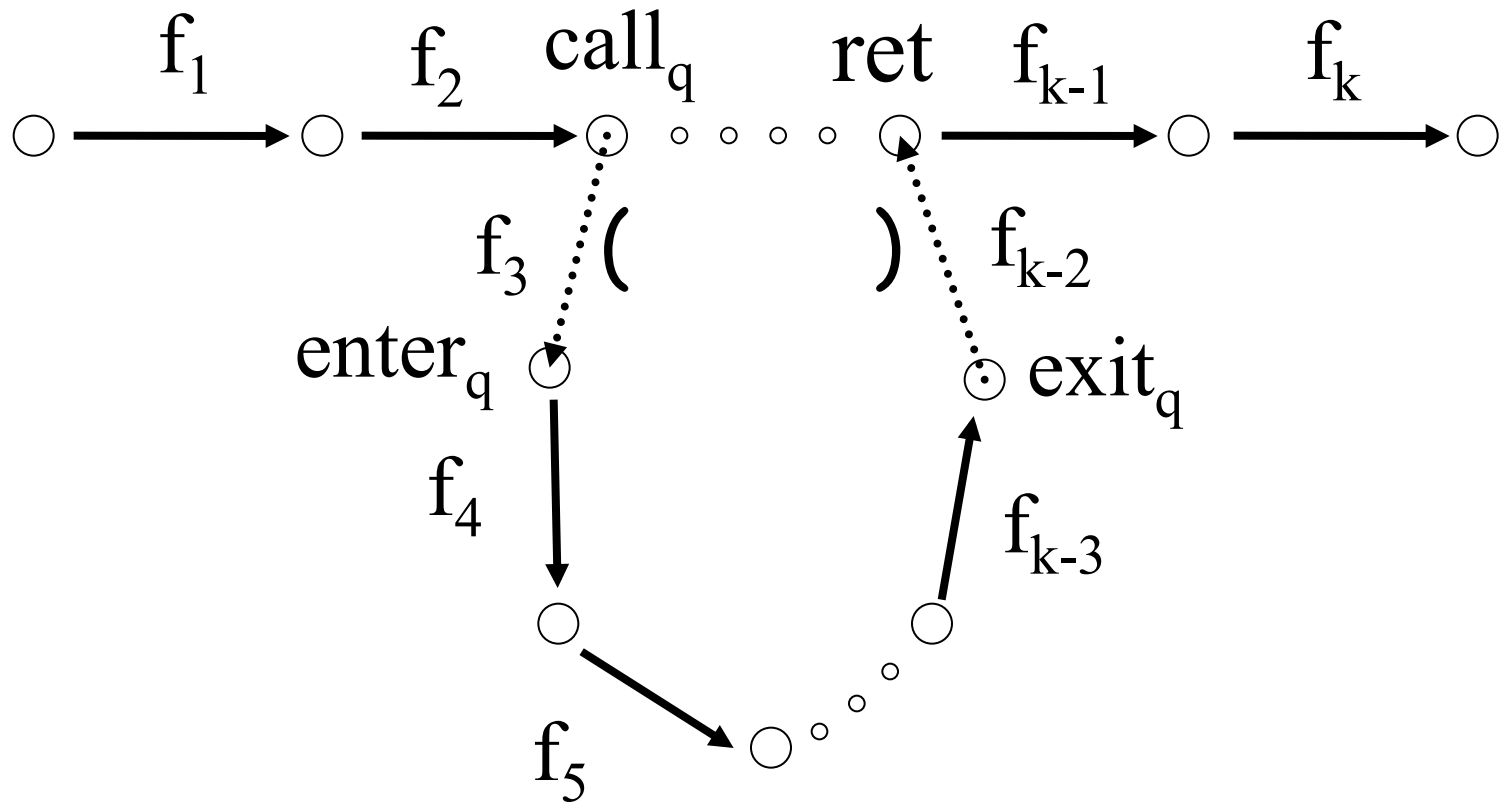


Paths

- $\text{paths}(n)$ the set of paths from s to n
– $((s, n_1), (n_1, n_3), (n_3, n_1))$



Interprocedural Valid Paths

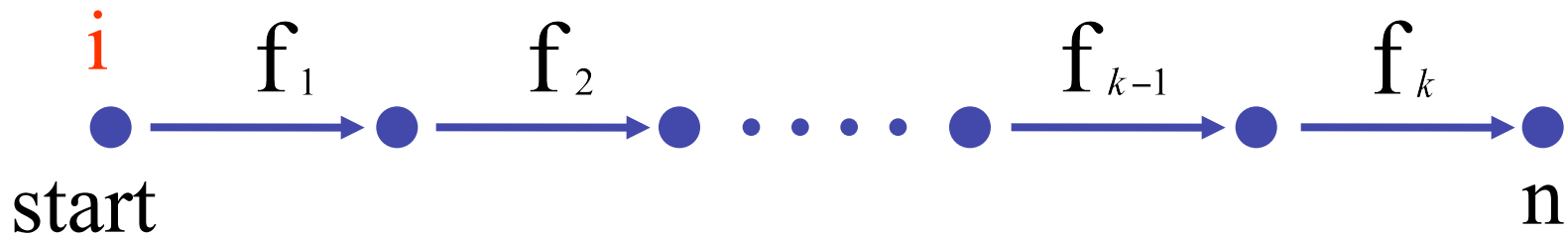


- IVP: all paths with matching calls and returns
 - And prefixes

Interprocedural Valid Paths

- IVP set of paths
 - Start at program entry
- Only considers matching calls and returns
 - aka, **valid**
- Can be defined via context free grammar
 - $\text{matched} ::= \text{matched } (\text{ matched }) \mid \varepsilon$
 - $\text{valid} ::= \text{valid } (\text{ matched } \mid \text{ matched$
 - paths can be defined by a regular expression

Join Over All Paths (JOP)



$$\llbracket f_k \circ \dots \circ f_1 \rrbracket \in L \rightarrow L$$

- $\text{JOP}[v] = \sqcup \{ \llbracket [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n] \rrbracket (v) \mid (e_1, \dots, e_n) \in \text{paths}(v) \}$
- $\text{JOP} \sqsubseteq \text{LFP}$
 - Sometimes $\text{JOP} = \text{LFP}$
 - precise up to “symbolic execution”
 - Distributive problem

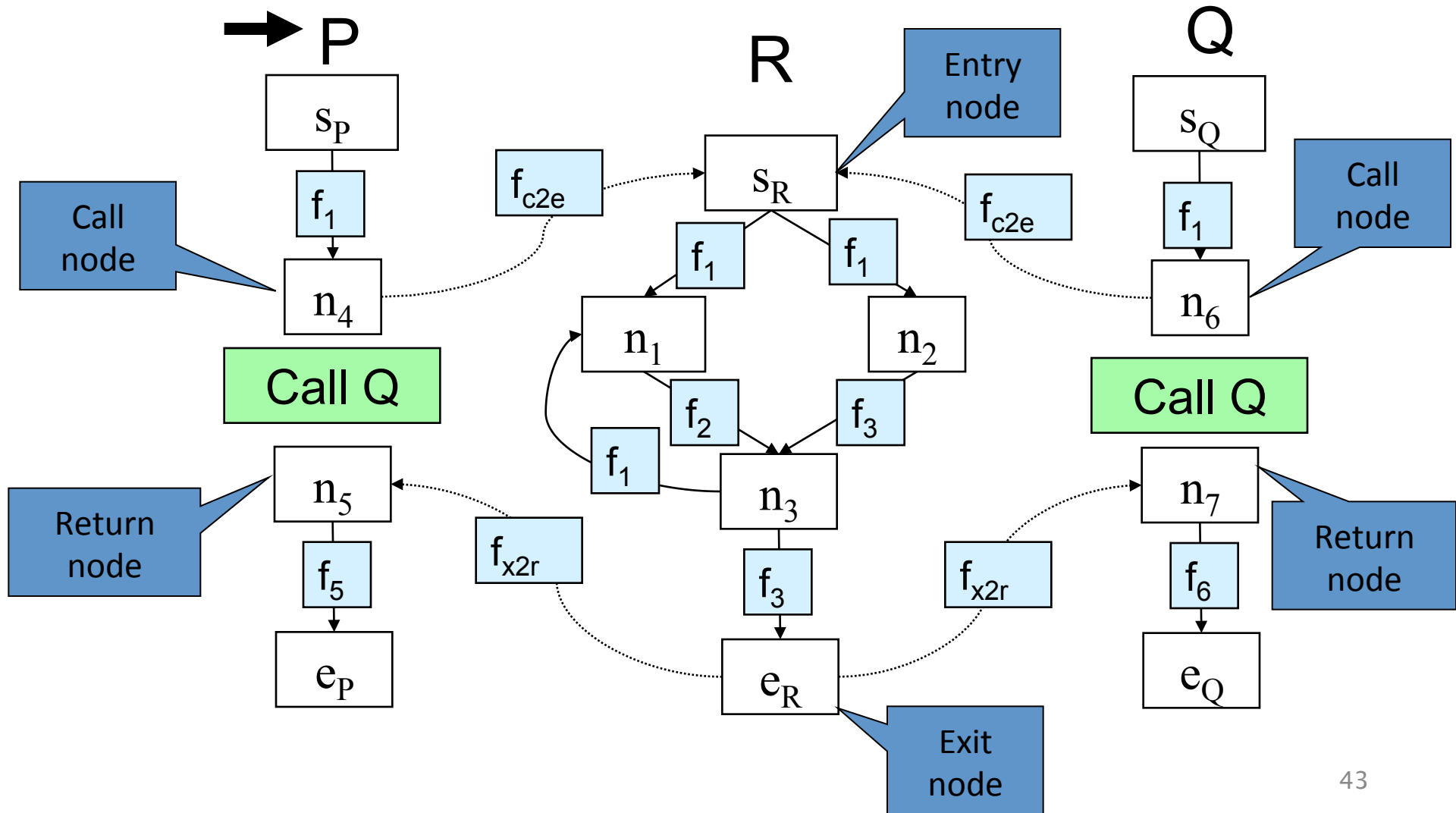
The Join-Over-Valid-Paths (JVP)

- $vpaths(n)$ all valid paths from program start to n
- $JVP[n] = \sqcup \{ [[e_1, e_2, \dots, e]](\iota) \mid (e_1, e_2, \dots, e) \in vpaths(n) \}$
- $JVP \sqsubseteq JOP$
 - In some cases the JVP can be computed
 - (Distributive problem)

The Call String Approach

- The data flow value is associated with sequences of calls (call string)
- Use Chaotic iterations over the supergraph

supergraph



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}
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The Call String Approach

- The data flow value is associated with sequences of calls (call string)
- Use Chaotic iterations over the supergraph
- To guarantee termination limit the size of call string (typically 1 or 2)
 - Represents tails of calls
- Abstract inline

Another Example ($|cs|=2$)

```
void main() {  
    int x ;  
    c1: x = p(7);  
    ε: [x ↦ 16]  
    c2: x = p(9) ;  
    ε: [x ↦ 20]  
}
```

```
int p(int a) {  
    c1:[a ↦7]  
    c2:[a ↦9]  
    return c3: p1(a + 1);  
    c1:[a ↦7, $$ ↦16]  
    c2:[a ↦9, $$ ↦20]  
}
```

```
int p1(int b) {  
    c1.c3:[b ↦8]  
    c2.c3:[b ↦10]  
    return 2 * b;  
    c1.c3:[b ↦8,$$↦16]  
    c2.c3:[b ↦10,$$↦20]  
}
```

Another Example ($|cs|=1$)

```
void main() {  
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  c1: x = p(7);  
   $\varepsilon$ : [x  $\mapsto$  T]  
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}
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Handling Recursion

```
void main() {  
    c1: p(7);  
    ε: [x ↦ T]  
}
```

```
int p(int a) {  
    c1: [a ↦ 7]  c1.c2+: [a ↦ T]  
    if (...) {  
        c1: [a ↦ 7]  c1.c2+: [a ↦ T]  
        a = a - 1 ;  
        c1: [a ↦ 6]  c1.c2+: [a ↦ T]  
        c2: p (a);  
        c1.c2*: [a ↦ T]  
        a = a + 1;  
        c1.c2*: [a ↦ T]  
    }  
    c1.c2*: [a ↦ T]  
    x = -2*a + 5;  
    c1.c2*: [a ↦ T, x ↦ T]  
}
```

Summary Call String

- Easy to implement
- Efficient for very small call strings
- Limited precision
 - Often loses precision for recursive programs
 - For finite domains can be precise even with recursion (with a bounded callstring)
- Order of calls can be abstracted
- Related method: procedure cloning

The Functional Approach

- The meaning of a procedure is mapping from states into states
- The abstract meaning of a procedure is function from an abstract state to abstract states
- Relation between input and output
- In certain cases can compute JVP

The Functional Approach

- Two phase algorithm
 - Compute the dataflow solution at the exit of a procedure as a function of the initial values at the procedure entry (functional values)
 - Compute the dataflow values at every point using the functional values

Phase 1

```
void main() {
```

```
    p(7);
```

```
}
```

$p(a_0, x_0) = [a \mapsto a_0, x \mapsto -2a_0 + 5]$

```
int p(int a) {
```

```
    [a  $\mapsto$  a0, x  $\mapsto$  x0]
```

```
    if (...) {
```

```
        [a  $\mapsto$  a0, x  $\mapsto$  x0]
```

```
        a = a - 1 ;
```

```
        [a  $\mapsto$  a0-1, x  $\mapsto$  x0]
```

```
        p (a);
```

```
        [a  $\mapsto$  a0-1, x  $\mapsto$  -2a0+7]
```

```
        a = a + 1;
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        [a  $\mapsto$  a0, x  $\mapsto$  -2a0+7]
```

```
    }
```

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    [a  $\mapsto$  a0, x  $\mapsto$  x0] [a  $\mapsto$  a0, x  $\mapsto$   $\tau$ ]
```

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    x = -2*a + 5;
```

```
    [a  $\mapsto$  a0, x  $\mapsto$  -2*a0+5]
```

```
}
```

Phase 2

```
void main() {
    p(7);
    [x ↦ -9]
}
```

$p(a_0, x_0) = [a \mapsto a_0, x \mapsto -2a_0 + 5]$

```
int p(int a) {
    [a ↦ 7, x ↦ 0]      [a ↦ τ, x ↦ 0]
    if (...) {
        [a ↦ 7, x ↦ 0]      [a ↦ τ, x ↦ 0]
        a = a - 1;
        [a ↦ 6, x ↦ 0]    [a ↦ τ, x ↦ 0]
        p(a);
        [a ↦ 6, x ↦ -7]      [a ↦ τ, x ↦ τ]
        a = a + 1;
        [a ↦ 7, x ↦ -7]      [a ↦ τ, x ↦ τ]
    }
    [a ↦ 7, x ↦ 0]      [a ↦ τ, x ↦ τ]
    x = -2*a + 5;
    [a ↦ 7, x ↦ -9]      [a ↦ τ, x ↦ τ]
}
```

Summary Functional approach

- Computes procedure abstraction
- Sharing between different contexts
- Rather precise
- Recursive procedures may be more precise/efficient than loops
- But requires more from the implementation
 - Representing (input/output) relations
 - Composing relations

Issues in Functional Approach

- How to guarantee that finite height for functional lattice?
 - It may happen that L has finite height and yet the lattice of monotonic function from L to L do not
- Efficiently represent functions
 - Functional join
 - Functional composition
 - Testing equality

Tabulation

- Special case: L is finite
- Data facts: $d \in L \times L$
- Initialization:
 - $f_{\text{start},\text{start}} = (\top, \top)$; otherwise (\perp, \perp)
 - $S[\text{start}, \top] = \top$
- Propagation of (x, y) over edge $e = (n, n')$
 - Maintain summary: $S[n', x] = S[n', x] \sqcup \llbracket n \rrbracket (y)$
 - n intra-node: $\rightarrow n' : (x, \llbracket n \rrbracket (y))$
 - n call-node:
 - $\rightarrow n' : (y, y)$ if $S[n', y] = \perp$ and $n' = \text{entry node}$
 - $\rightarrow n' : (x, z)$ if $S[\text{exit}(\text{call}(n), y) = z$ and $n' = \text{ret-site-of } n$
 - n return-node: $\rightarrow n' : (u, y)$; $n_c = \text{call-site-of } n'$, $S[n_c, u] = x$

CFL-Graph reachability

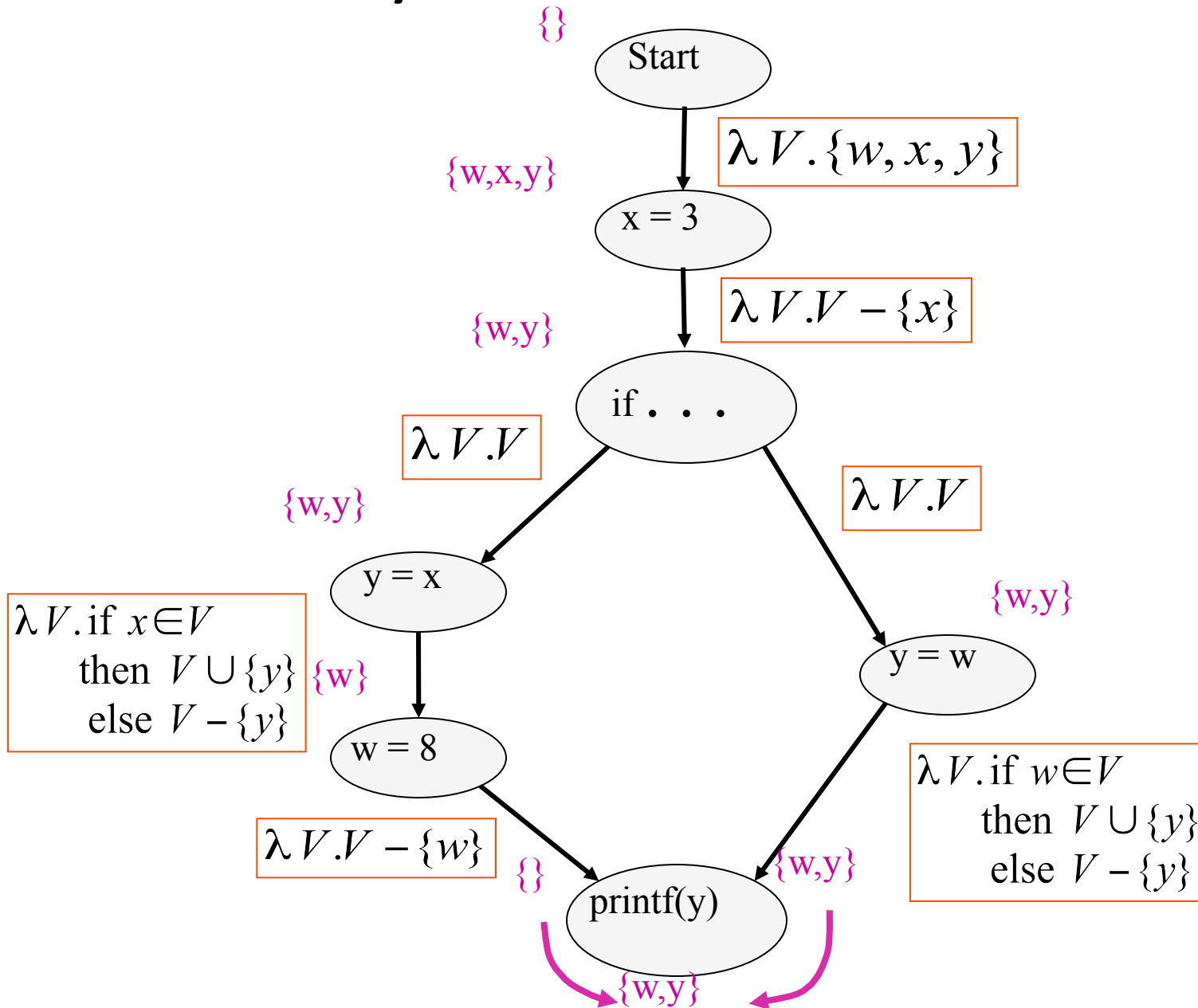
- Special cases of functional analysis
- Finite distributive lattices
- Provides more efficient analysis algorithms
- Reduce the interprocedural analysis problem to finding context free reachability



IDFS / IDE

- **IDFS** Interprocedural Distributive Finite Subset
Precise interprocedural dataflow analysis via graph reachability. Reps, Horowitz, and Sagiv, POPL' 95
- **IDE** Interprocedural Distributive Environment
Precise interprocedural dataflow analysis with applications to constant propagation. Reps, Horowitz, and Sagiv, FASE' 95, TCS' 96
 - More general solutions exist

Possibly Uninitialized Variables

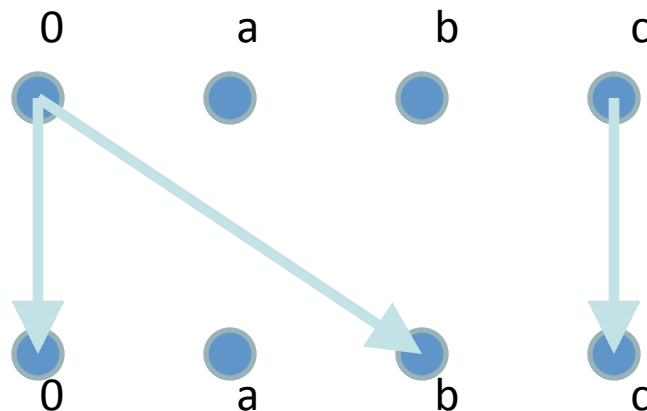


IFDS Problems

- Finite subset distributive
 - Lattice $L = \wp(D)$
 - \sqsubseteq is \subseteq
 - \sqcup is \cup
 - Transfer functions are distributive
- Efficient solution through formulation as CFL reachability

Encoding Transfer Functions

- Enumerate all input space and output space
- Represent functions as graphs with $2(D+1)$ nodes
- Special symbol “0” denotes empty sets (sometimes denoted Λ)
- Example: $D = \{ a, b, c \}$
 $f(S) = (S - \{a\}) \cup \{b\}$



Efficiently Representing Functions

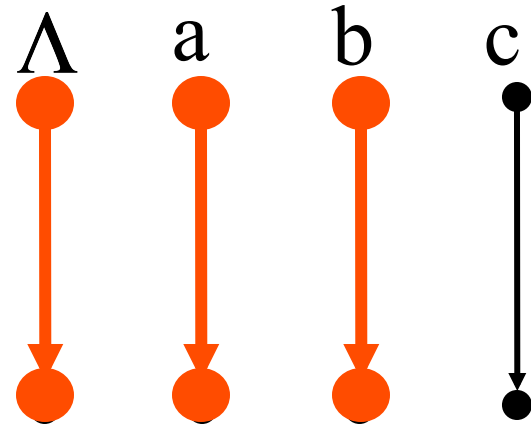
- Let $f:2^D \rightarrow 2^D$ be a distributive function
- Then:
 - $f(X) = f(\emptyset) \cup (\cup \{ f(\{z\}) \mid z \in X \})$
 - $f(X) = f(\emptyset) \cup (\cup \{ f(\{z\}) \setminus f(\emptyset) \mid z \in X \})$

Representing Dataflow Functions

Identity Function

$$f = \lambda V.V$$

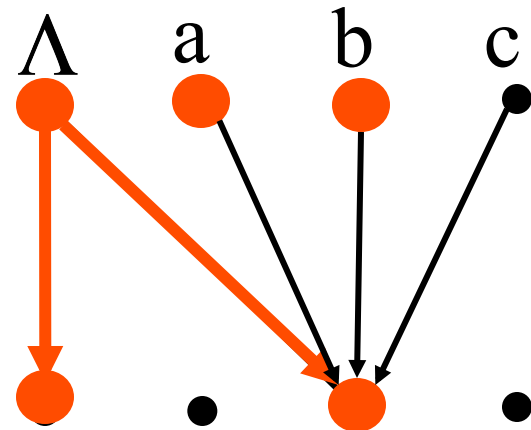
$$f(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$$



Constant Function

$$f = \lambda V.\{b\}$$

$$f(\{a, b\}) = \{b\}$$

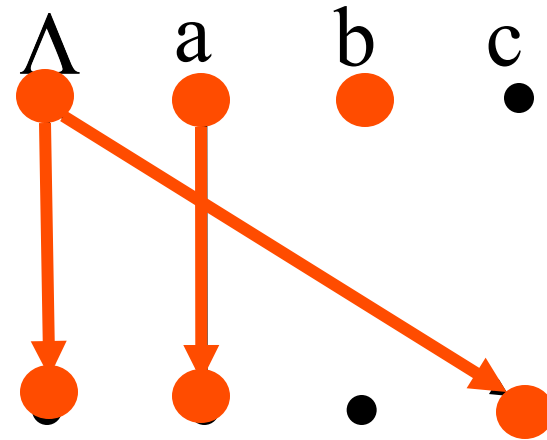


Representing Dataflow Functions

“Gen/Kill” Function

$$f = \lambda V. (V - \{b\}) \cup \{c\}$$

$$f(\{a, b\}) = \{a, c\}$$



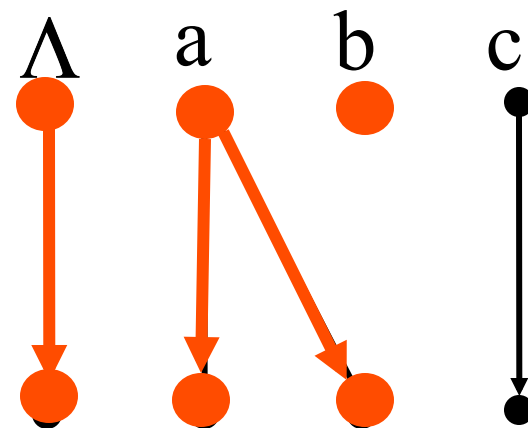
Non-“Gen/Kill” Function

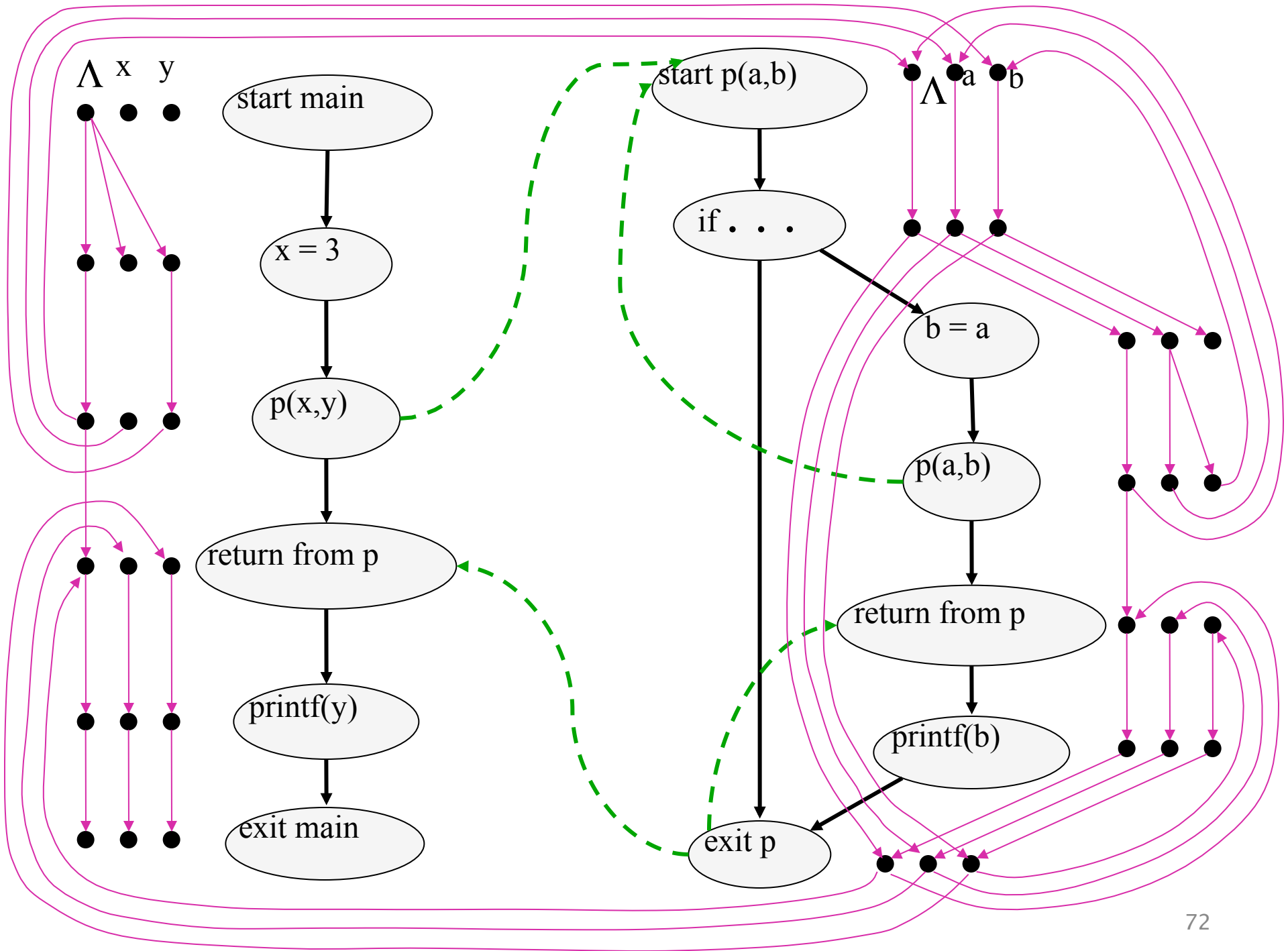
$$f = \lambda V. \text{if } a \in V$$

then $V \cup \{b\}$

else $V - \{b\}$

$$f(\{a, b\}) = \{a, b\}$$

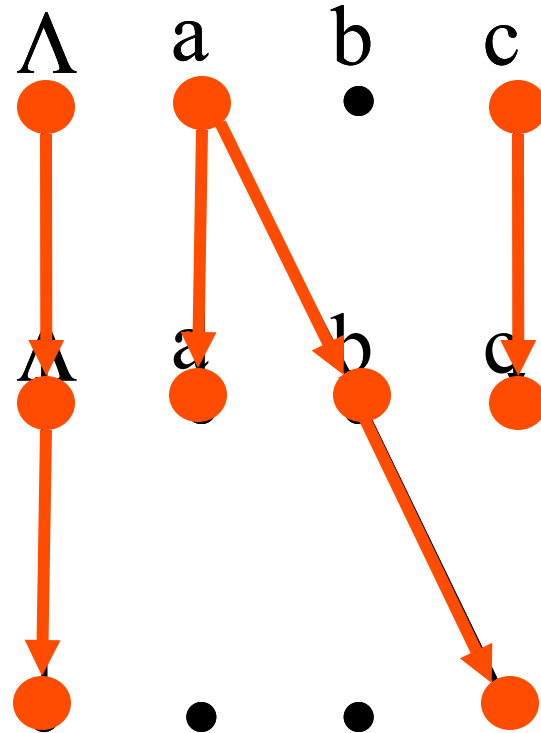




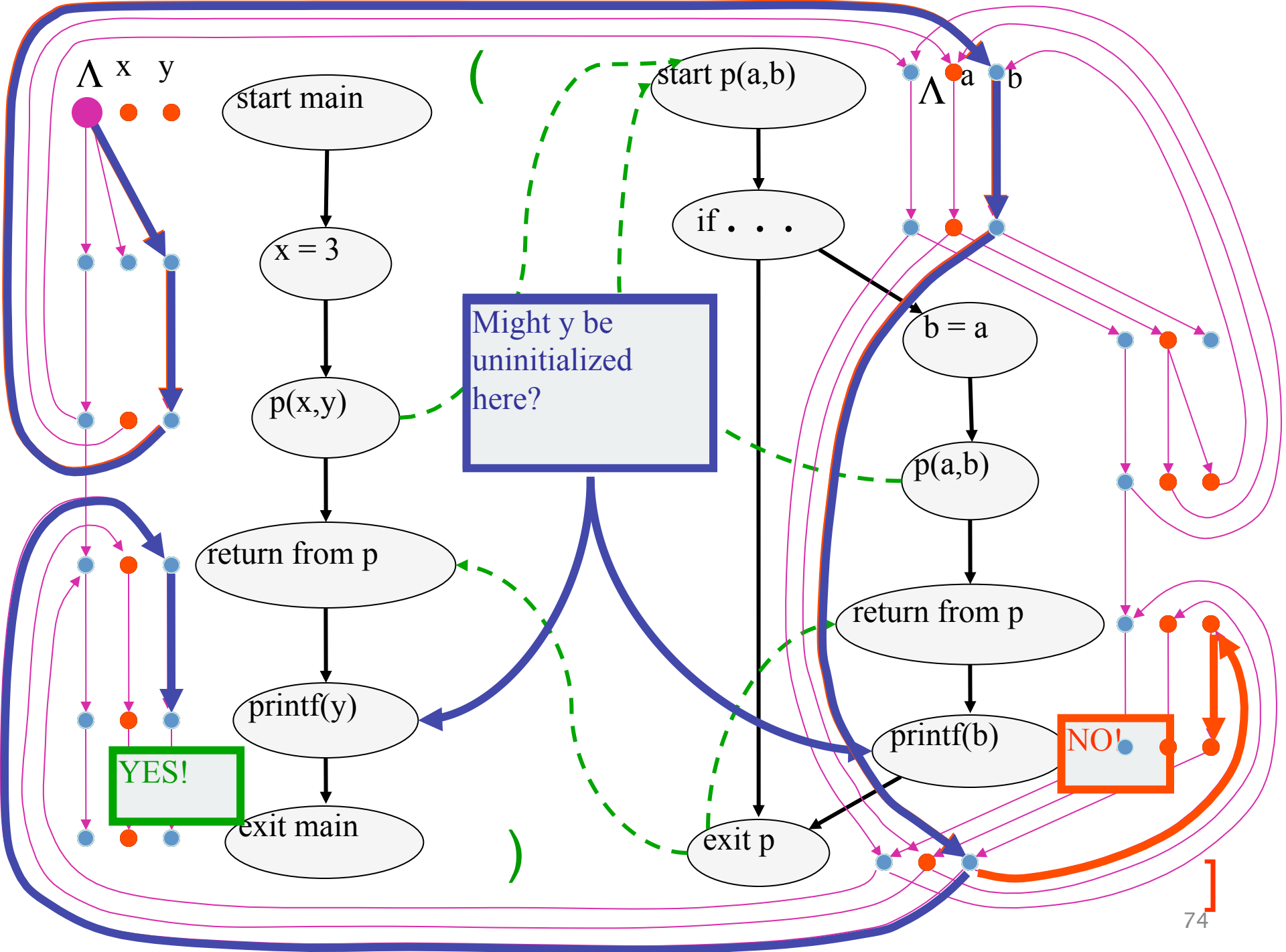
Composing Dataflow Functions

$f_1 = \lambda V. \text{if } a \in V$
 then $V \cup \{b\}$
 else $V - \{b\}$

$f_2 = \lambda V. \text{if } b \in V$
 then $\{c\}$
 else ϕ



$$f_2 \circ f_1(\{a, c\}) = \boxed{\{c\}}$$




The Tabulation Algorithm

- Worklist algorithm, start from entry of “main”
- Keep track of
 - Path edges: matched paren paths from procedure entry
 - Summary edges: matched paren call-return paths
- At each instruction
 - Propagate facts using transfer functions; **extend path edges**
- At each call
 - Propagate to procedure entry, start with an empty path
 - If a summary for that entry exists, use it
- At each exit
 - Store paths from corresponding call points as summary paths
 - When a new summary is added, propagate to the return node

Interprocedural Dataflow Analysis via CFL-Reachability

- Graph: Exploded control-flow graph
- L: L(unbalLeft)
 - unbalLeft = valid
- Fact d holds at n iff there is an L(unbalLeft)-path from $\langle start_{main}, \Lambda \rangle$ to $\langle n, d \rangle$

Asymptotic Running Time

- CFL-reachability
 - Exploded control-flow graph: ND nodes
 - Running time: $O(N^3D^3)$
- Exploded control-flow graph  special structure

Running time: $O(ED^3)$

Typically: $E \approx N$, hence $O(ED^3) \approx O(ND^3)$

“Gen/kill” problems: $O(ED)$

IDE

- Goes beyond IFDS problems
 - Can handle unbounded domains
- Requires special form of the domain
- Can be **much** more efficient than IFDS

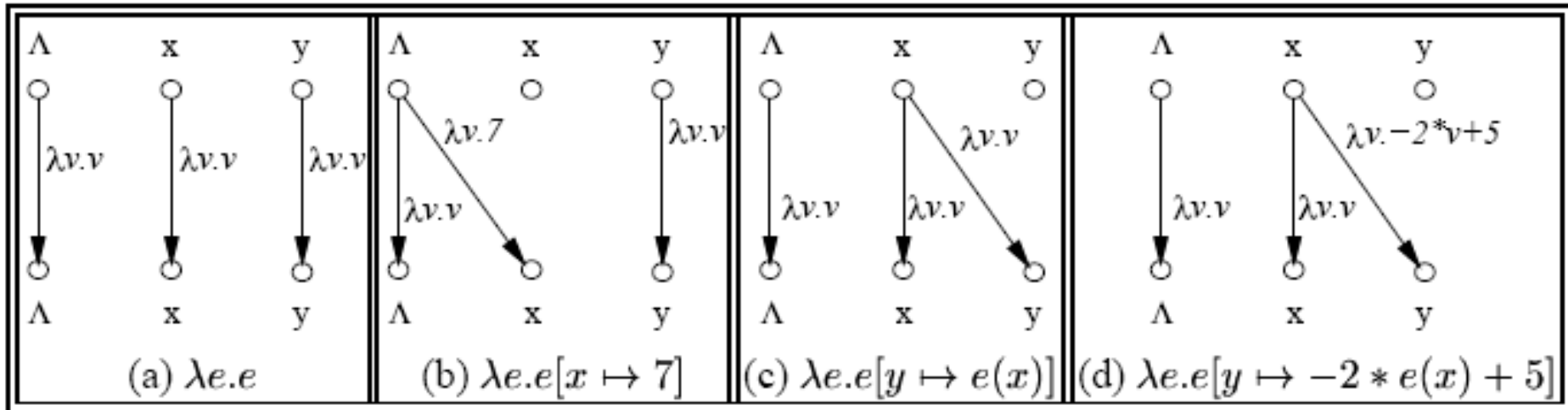
Example Linear Constant Propagation

- Consider the constant propagation lattice
- The value of every variable y at the program exit can be represented by:

$$y = \sqcup \{(a_x x + b_x) \mid x \in \text{Var}_*\} \sqcup c$$
$$a_x, c \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\perp, \top\} \quad b_x \in \mathbb{Z}$$

- Supports efficient composition and “functional” join
 - $[z := a * y + b]$
 - What about $[z := x + y]$?

Linear constant propagation



Point-wise representation of environment transformers

IDE Analysis

- Point-wise representation closed under composition
- CFL-Reachability on the exploded graph
- Compose functions

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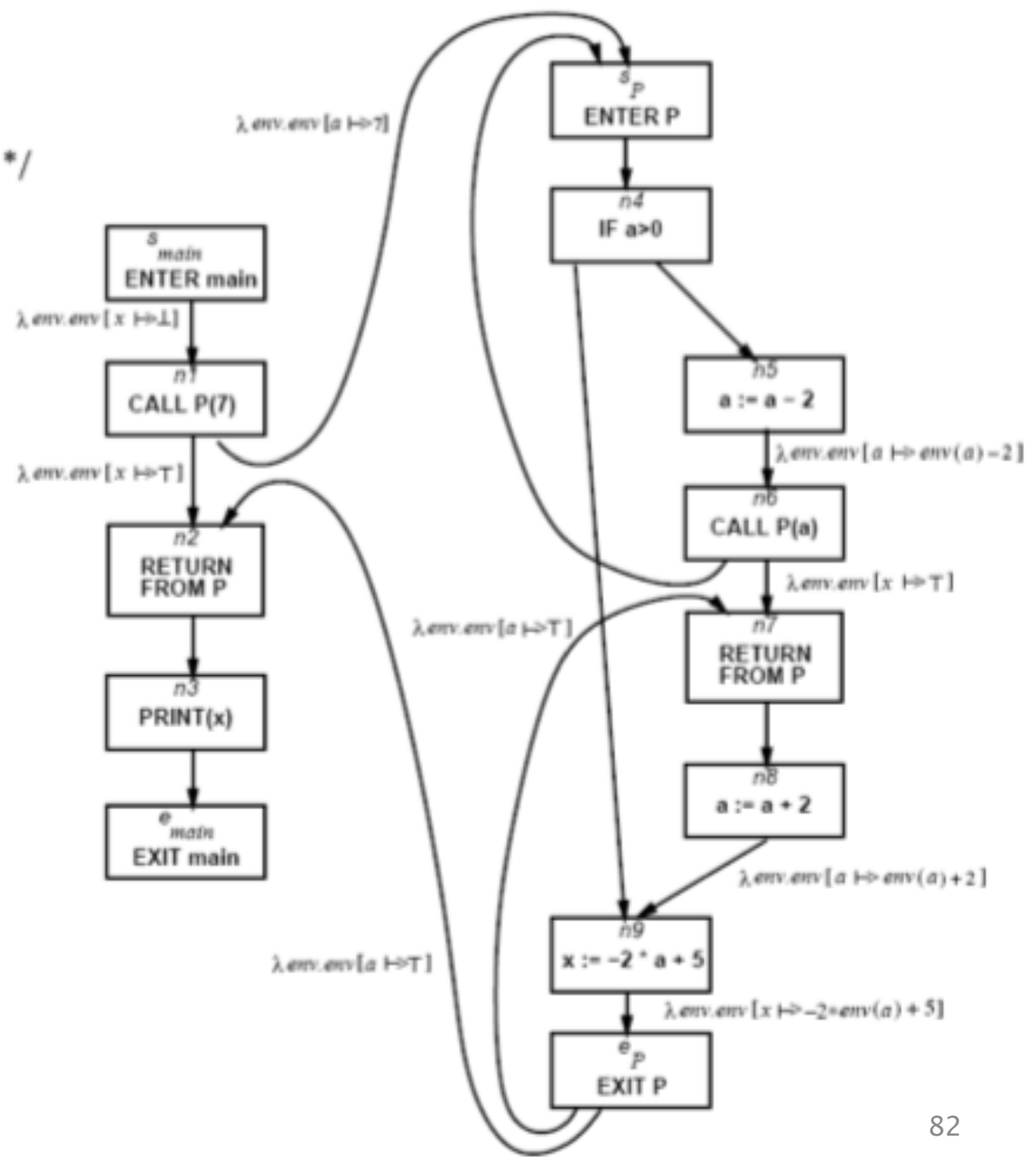
declare x: integer
program main
begin
  call P(7)
  print (x) /* x is a constant here */
end

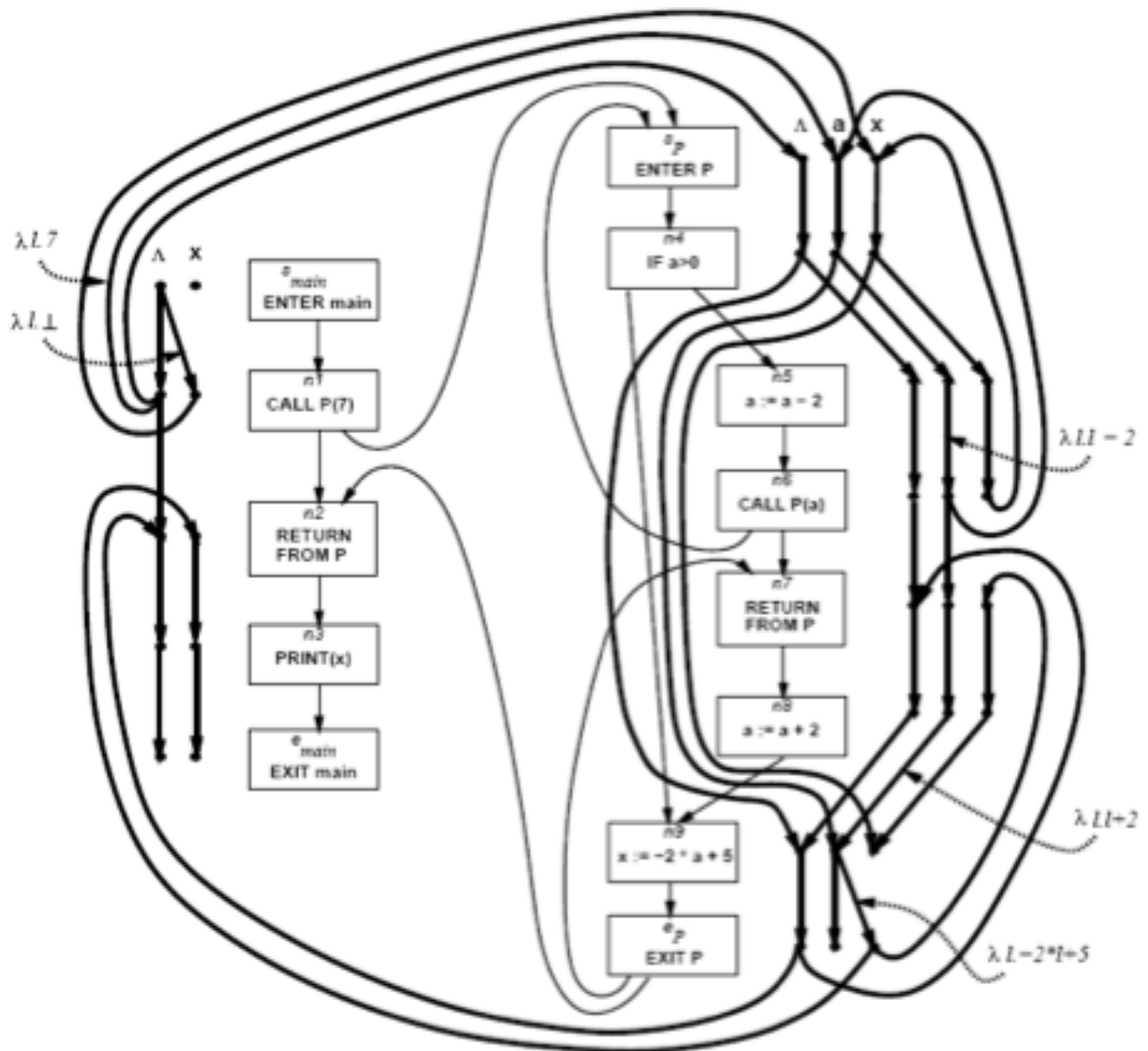
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procedure P (value a : integer)
begin /* a is not a constant here */
  if a > 0 then
    a := a - 2
    call P (a)
    a := a + 2
  fi
  x := -2 * a + 5
  /* x is not a constant here */
end

```





Costs

- $O(ED^3)$
- Class of value transformers $F \subseteq L \rightarrow L$
 - $\text{id} \in F$
 - Finite height
- Representation scheme with (efficient)
 - Application
 - Composition
 - Join
 - Equality
 - Storage

Conclusion

- Handling functions is crucial for abstract interpretation
- Virtual functions and exceptions complicate things
- But scalability is an issue
 - Small call strings
 - Small functional domains
 - Demand analysis

Challenges in Interprocedural Analysis

- Respect call-return mechanism
- Handling recursion
- Local variables
- Parameter passing mechanisms
- The called procedure is not always known
- The source code of the called procedure is not always available

A trivial treatment of procedure

- Analyze a single procedure
- After every call continue with conservative information
 - Global variables and local variables which “may be modified by the call” have unknown values
- Can be easily implemented
- Procedures can be written in different languages
- Procedure inline can help

Disadvantages of the trivial solution

- Modular (object oriented and functional) programming encourages small frequently called procedures
- Almost all information is lost

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