

# Type-Based Aliasing Control for DDC

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# Disciple and DDC

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- Strict by default
- Regions, effects and closure typing

`updateInt :: [r1 r2 : %]. Mutable r1 ⇒ Int r1 → Int r2 → ()`

- Upcoming major DDC release!

# Aliasing Problem

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```
next =  $\Lambda$  r1 r2.  $\lambda$  (w1 : Mutable r1).  $\lambda$  (v : Int r1) (c : Int r2).  
  letregion r3 in  
  let (x : Int r3) = addInt [r1] [r2] [r3] v c  
    - = updateInt [r1] [r2] <w1> v x  
  in addInt [r2] [r3] [r2] c (1 [r3] ())
```

$\text{addInt} \quad :: [r1\ r2\ r3 : \%]. \text{Int } r1 \rightarrow \text{Int } r2 \xrightarrow{\text{Read } r1 + \text{Read } r2 + \text{Alloc } r3 \mid \text{Use } r1} \text{Int } r3$

$\text{updateInt} :: [r1\ r2 : \%]. \text{Mutable } r1 \Rightarrow \text{Int } r1 \rightarrow \text{Int } r2 \xrightarrow{\text{Read } r2 + \text{Write } r1 \mid \text{Use } r1} \text{Unit}$

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      (c1 : Int#)    = unboxInt [r2] c           Read r2  
      (x  : Int r3) = boxInt  [r3] (add# v1 c1)     $\perp$   
      -             = updateInt [r1] [r3] <w1> v x Read r3 + Write r1  
      (c2 : Int#)    = unboxInt [r2] c           Read r2  
  in boxInt r2 (add# c2 1#)  $\perp$ 
```

```
boxInt    :: [r : %]. Int#  $\xrightarrow{\text{Alloc } r \mid \text{Use } r}$  Int r  
unboxInt  :: [r : %]. Int r  $\xrightarrow{\text{Read } r \mid \$0}$  Int#  
add#      :: Int#  $\rightarrow$  Int#  $\rightarrow$  Int#
```

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```
next =  $\Lambda$  r1 r2.  $\lambda$  (w1 : Mutable r1) (w2 : Distinct r1 r2).  $\lambda$  (v : Int r1) (c : Int r2).  
  letregion r3 with { w : Const r3 } in  
    let (v1 : Int#)    = unboxInt [r1] v  
      (c1 : Int#)      = unboxInt [r2] c  
      (x  : Int r3)    = boxInt [r3] (add# v1 c1)  
      -                = updateInt [r1] [r3] <w1> v x  
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```

*Read*  $r_1$   
*Read*  $r_2$   
 $\perp$   
*Read*  $r_3 + \textit{Write } r_1$   
 $\perp$

# Get to it already!

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Distinct :: % ~> % ~> @

$$\frac{r \notin \Delta \quad \Delta \mid r \vdash \overline{w_j : \tau_j} \text{ well-formed} \quad \Delta, r : \% \mid \Gamma, \overline{w_j : \tau_j} \vdash t : \tau ; \sigma ; \gamma \quad \Delta \vdash \tau : * \quad r \notin fv(t)}{\Delta \mid \Gamma \vdash \mathbf{letregion} \ r \ \mathbf{with} \ \{\overline{w_j : \tau_j}\} \ \mathbf{in} \ t : \tau ; \sigma - \mathit{Read} \ r - \mathit{Write} \ r - \mathit{Alloc} \ r ; \mathit{cutT} \ r \ \gamma}$$

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TYLETR

$\lambda r1. \text{letregion } r2 \text{ with } \{w : \text{Distinct } r1 \ r2\} \text{ in } ..$  ✓

$\lambda r1. \text{letregion } r2 \text{ with } \{w : \text{Distinct } r2 \ r2\} \text{ in } ..$  ✗

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# In Layman's Terms...

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$$\frac{}{\Delta \mid r \vdash \emptyset \text{ well-formed}} \text{W}_{\text{FEMPTY}}$$

$$\frac{\Delta \mid r \vdash \Gamma \text{ well-formed} \quad \textit{Const } r \notin \Gamma}{\Delta \mid r \vdash \Gamma, w : \textit{Mutable } r \text{ well-formed}} \text{W}_{\text{FMUTABLE}}$$

$$\frac{\Delta \mid r \vdash \Gamma \text{ well-formed} \quad \textit{Mutable } r \notin \Gamma}{\Delta \mid r \vdash \Gamma, w : \textit{Const } r \text{ well-formed}} \text{W}_{\text{FCONST}}$$

$$\frac{r_2 : \% \in \Delta \quad r_1 \notin \Delta}{\Delta \mid r_1 \vdash \Gamma, w : \textit{Distinct } r_1 \ r_2 \text{ well-formed}} \text{W}_{\text{FDISTINCT1}}$$

$$\frac{r_2 : \% \in \Delta \quad r_1 \notin \Delta}{\Delta \mid r_1 \vdash \Gamma, w : \textit{Distinct } r_2 \ r_1 \text{ well-formed}} \text{W}_{\text{FDISTINCT2}}$$

# Multi-way Distinctness

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```
Distinct3 :: % ~> % ~> % ~> @  
Distinct4 :: % ~> % ~> % ~> % ~> @  
...
```

```
Λ r1 r2 r3.
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```
letregions r4 with { w : Distinct4 r1 r2 r3 r4 }  
in ...
```

```
letregions r1 r2 r3 r4 with { w : Distinct4 r1 r2 r3 r4 }  
in ...
```

# Using distinctness for low-level optimisation

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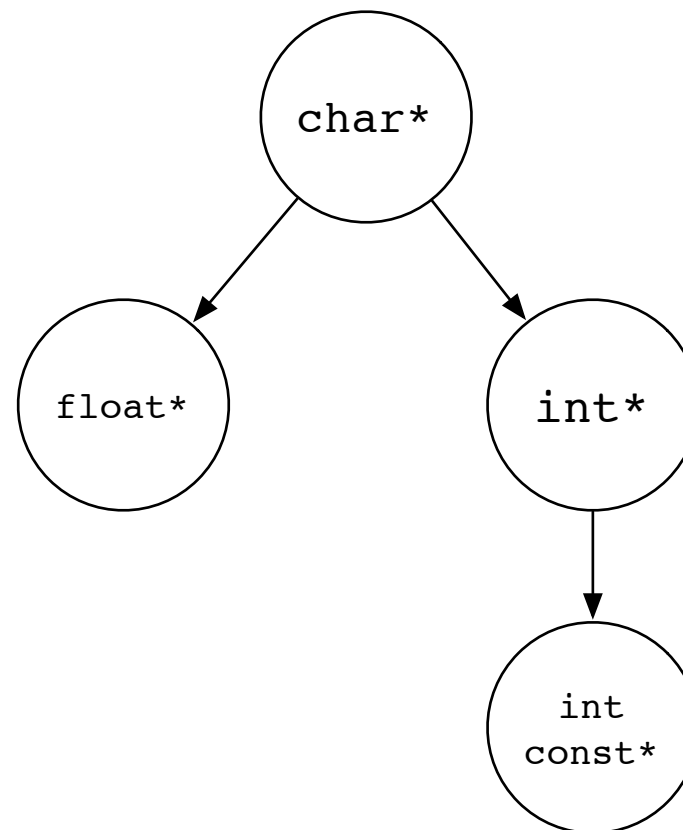
```
%a = load i32 %x
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store %y %a
```

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%b = load i32 %x
```

# LLVM Alias Analysis Metadata

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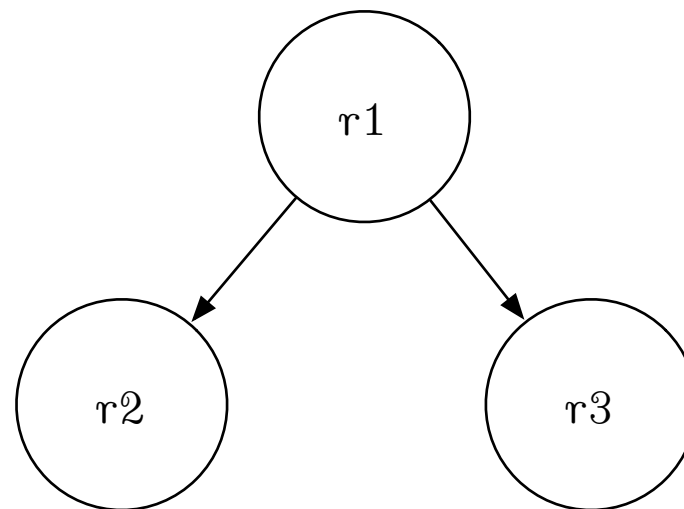


# LLVM Alias Analysis Metadata

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`{r1, r2, r3}`

`Distinct r2 r3`



`!0 = metadata !{metadata !"r1", null, i32 0}`

`!1 = metadata !{metadata !"r2", metadata !0, i32 0}`

`!2 = metadata !{metadata !"r3", metadata !0, i32 1}`

# Translation from Witnesses to Metadata

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Optimal

$$\forall \mathcal{R}. \ \text{safe}(\mathcal{R}) \implies \mathcal{R} \geq \mathcal{A}'$$

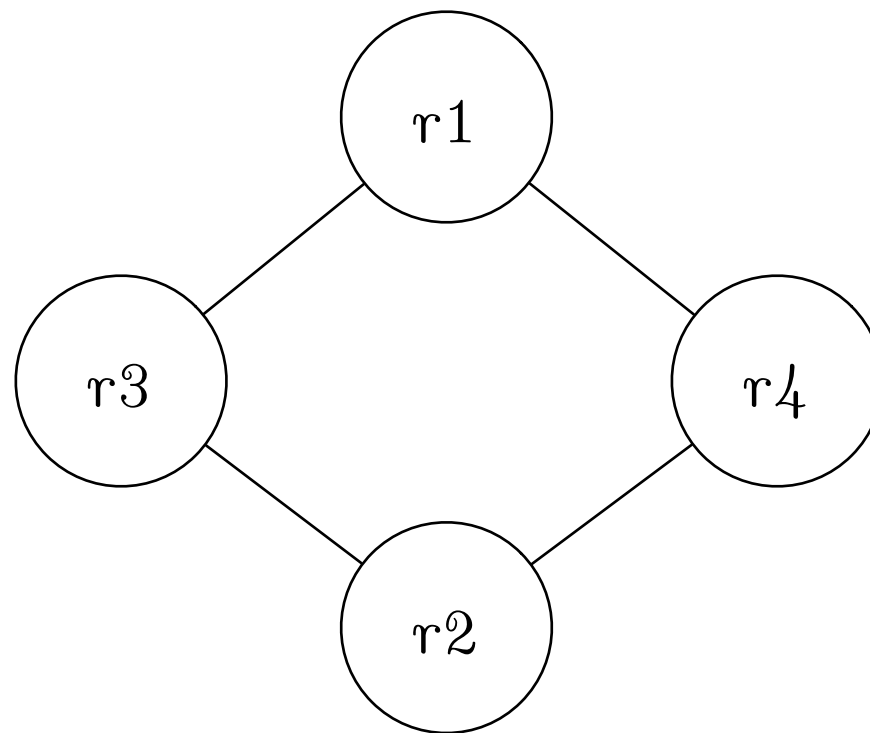


# DDC Alias as Adjacency

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$$S = \{r1, r2, r3, r4\}$$

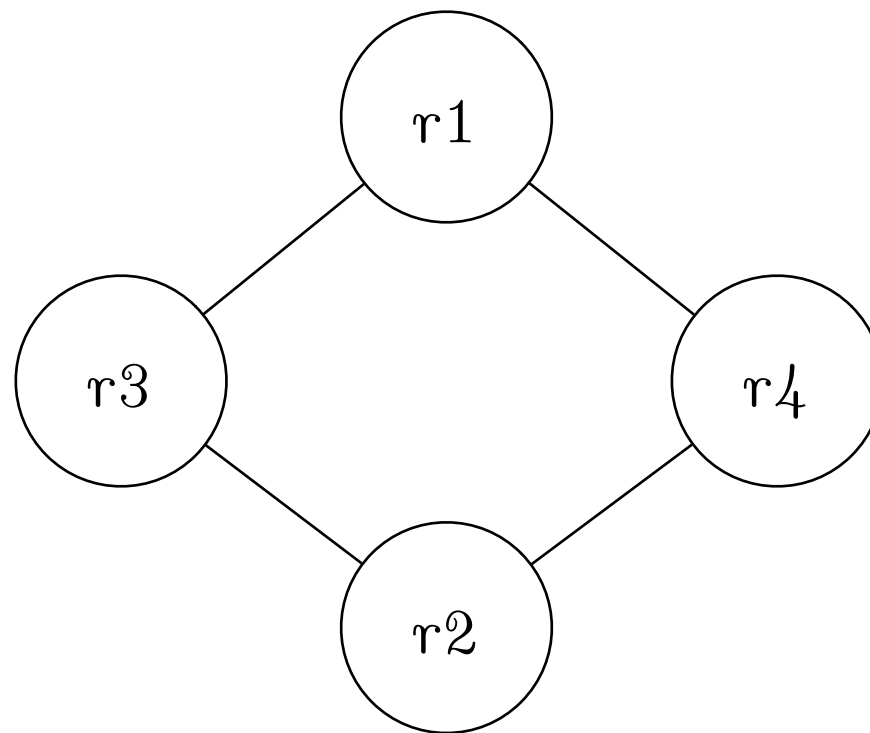
$$D = \{\text{Distinct } r1 \ r2, \text{Distinct } r3 \ r4\}$$



# DDC Alias as Adjacency

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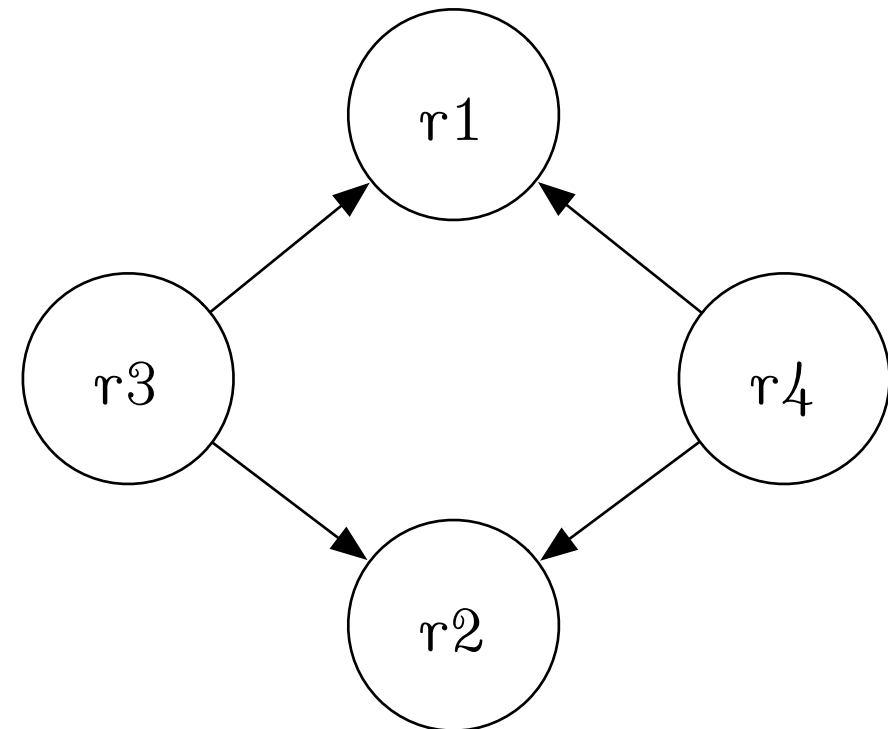
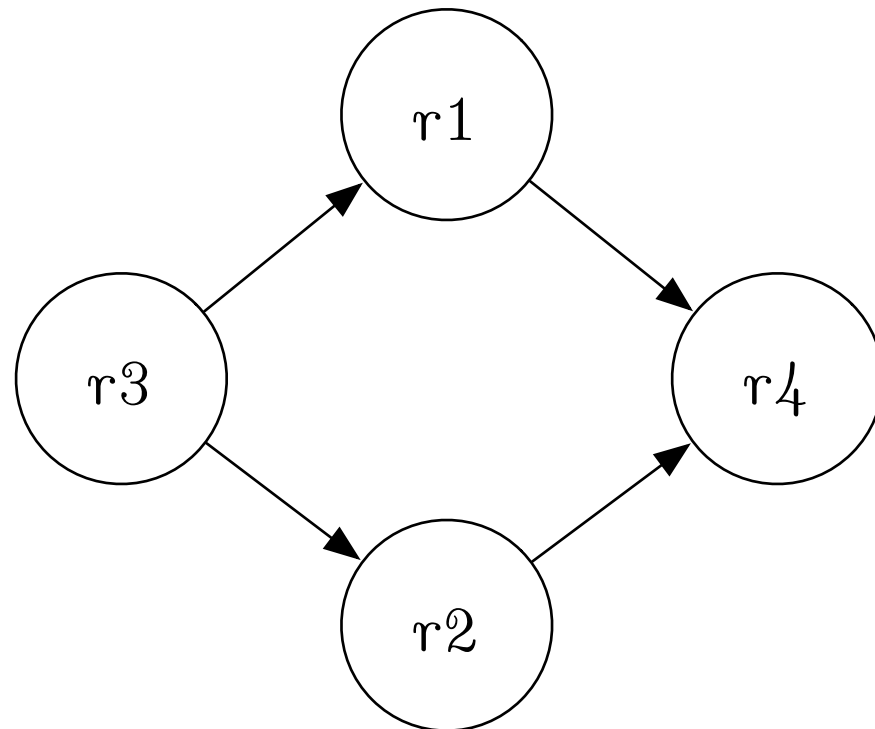
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$$D = \{\text{Distinct } r1 \ r2, \text{Distinct } r3 \ r4\}$$



Orientation and Partition  
preserving safety and optimality

# Orientation

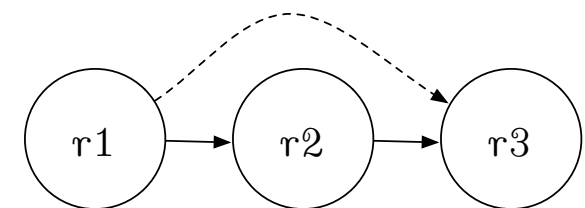
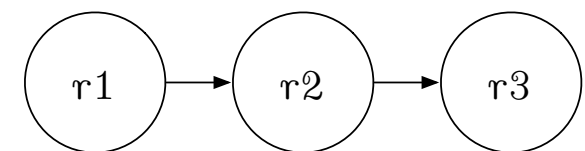
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Measure of Aliasing

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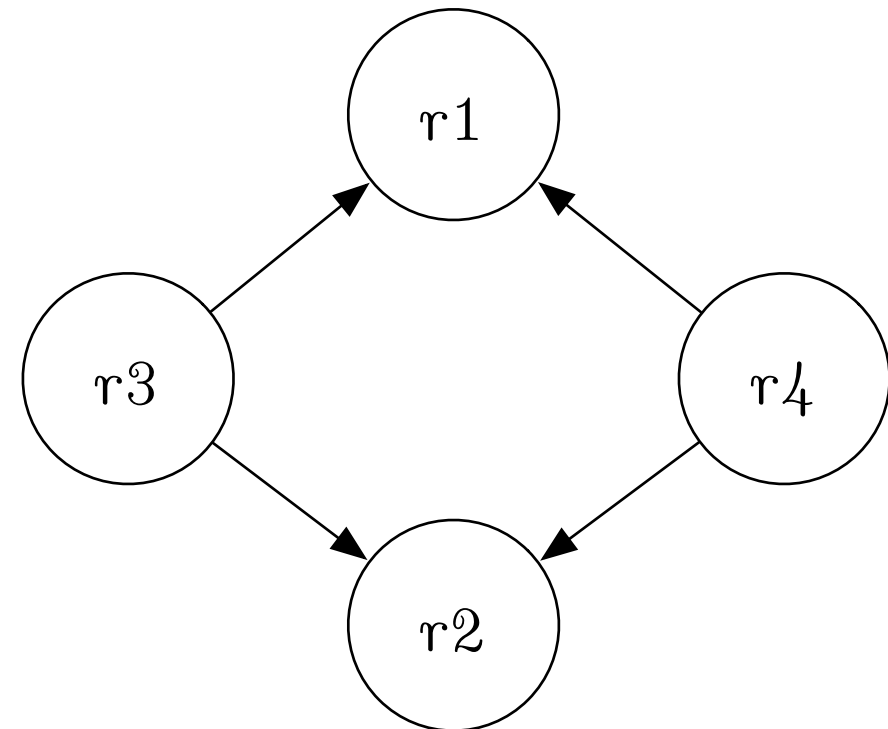
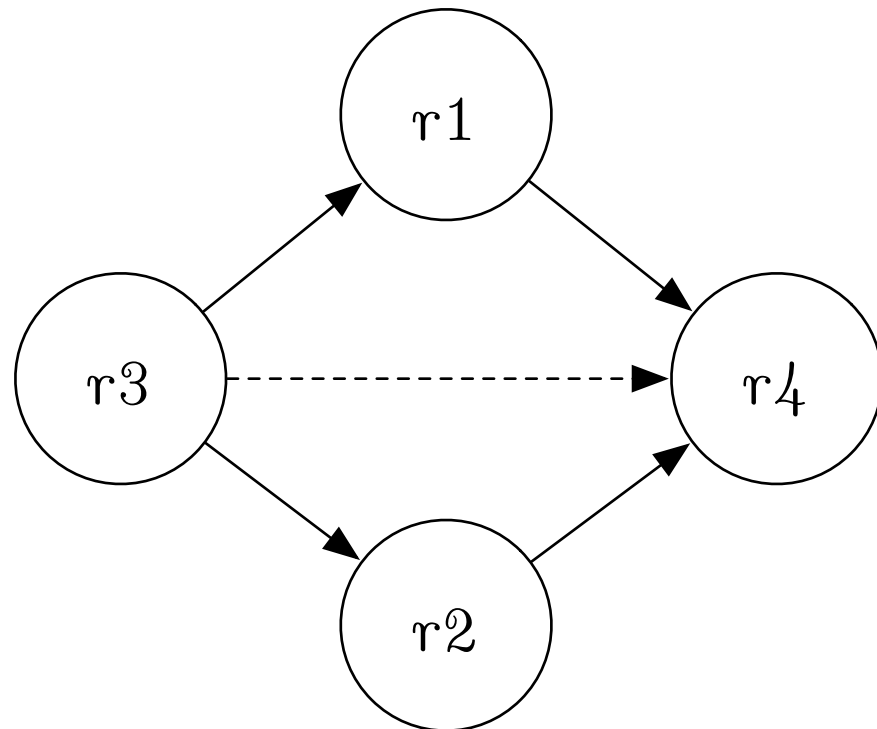
Number of edges in the transitive closure of D



Transitive closure

# Orientation

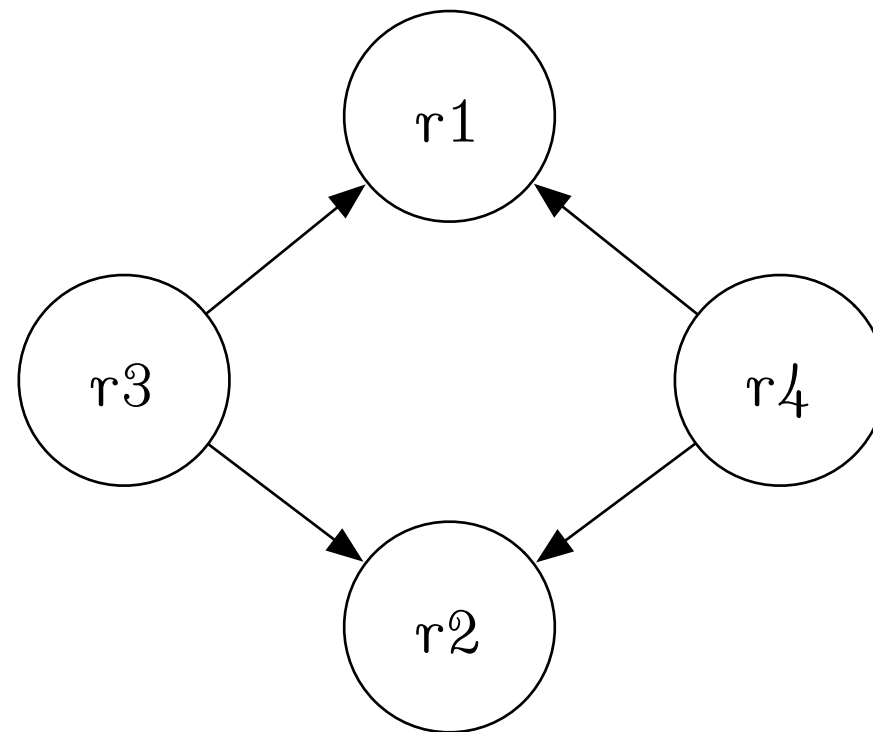
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Bruteforce = combinatorial explosion

# Orientation - Happy Case

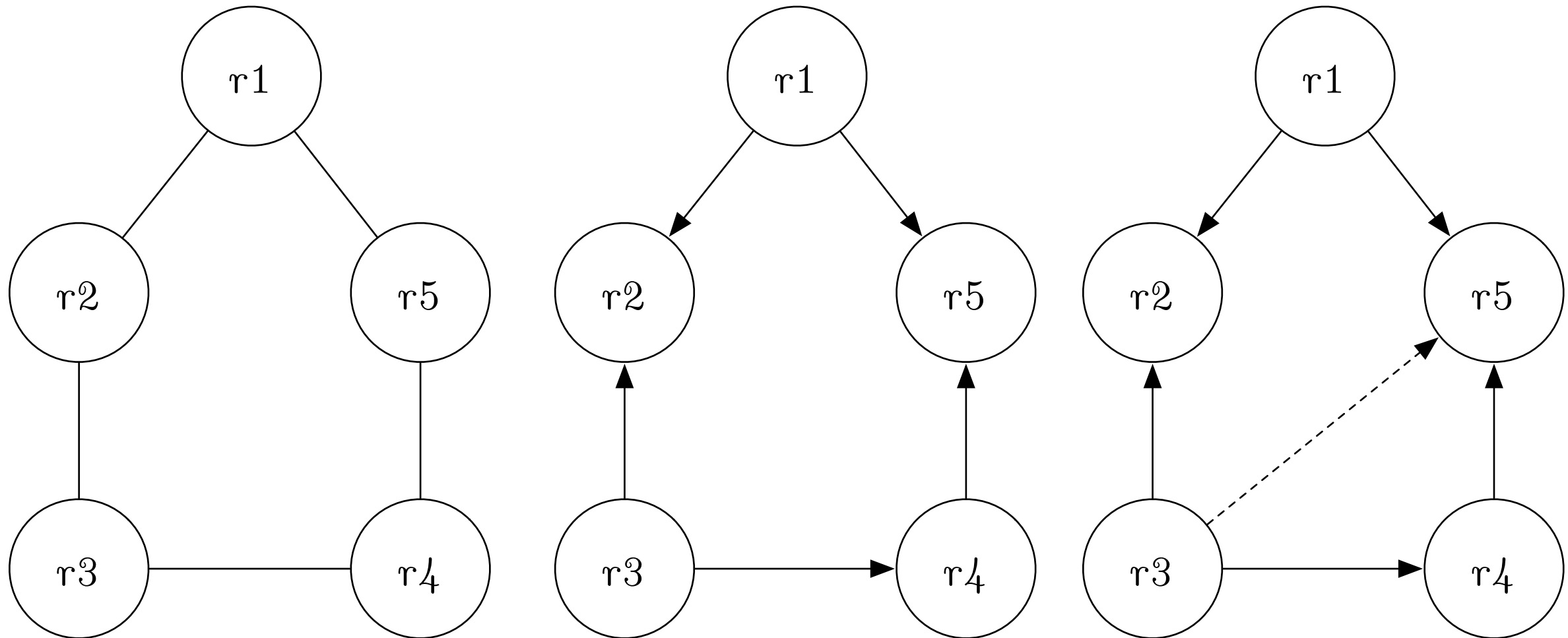
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Transitive Orientation  
 $O(n)$

# Orientation - Not So Happy Case

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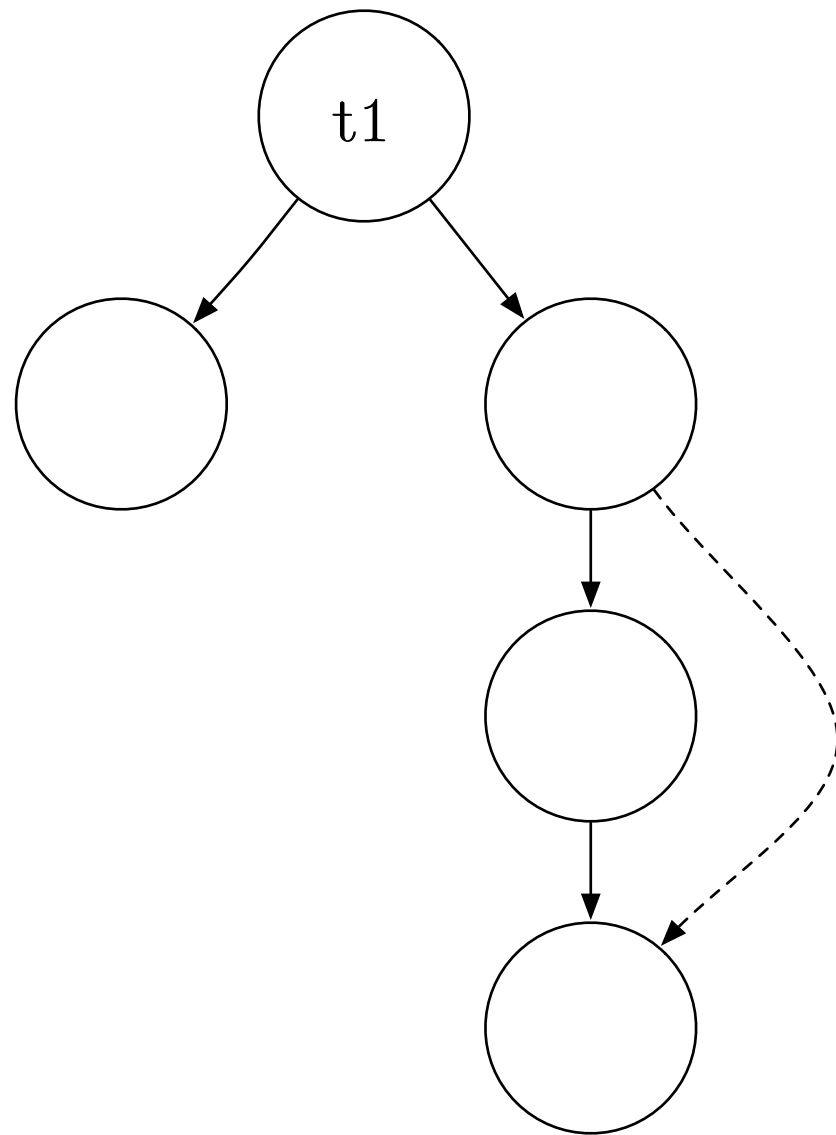
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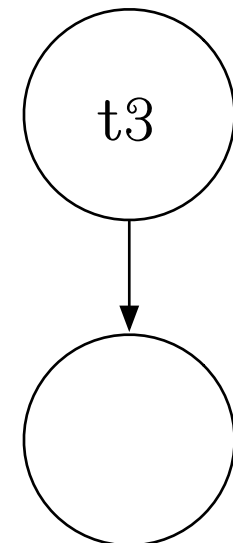
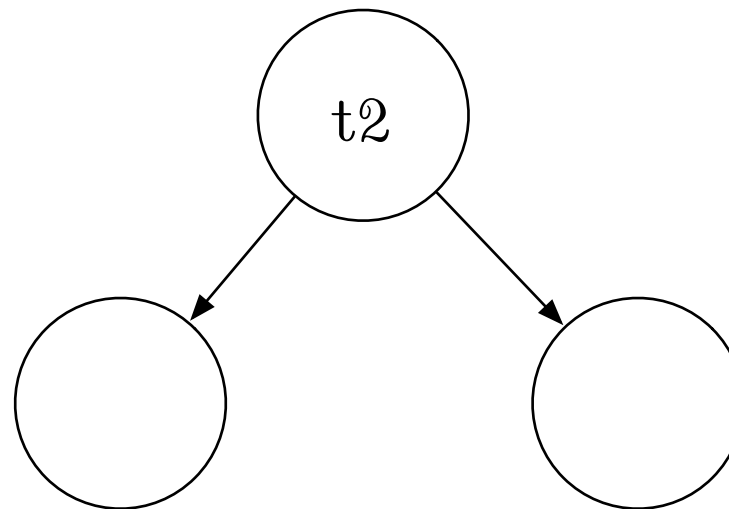
- Bruteforce with a threshold -- reasonable compromise
- Minimum “comparability completion” -- NP hard  
→ Minimal comparability completion?

# Partition

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Measure of Aliasing  
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Inner and Outer Aliasing

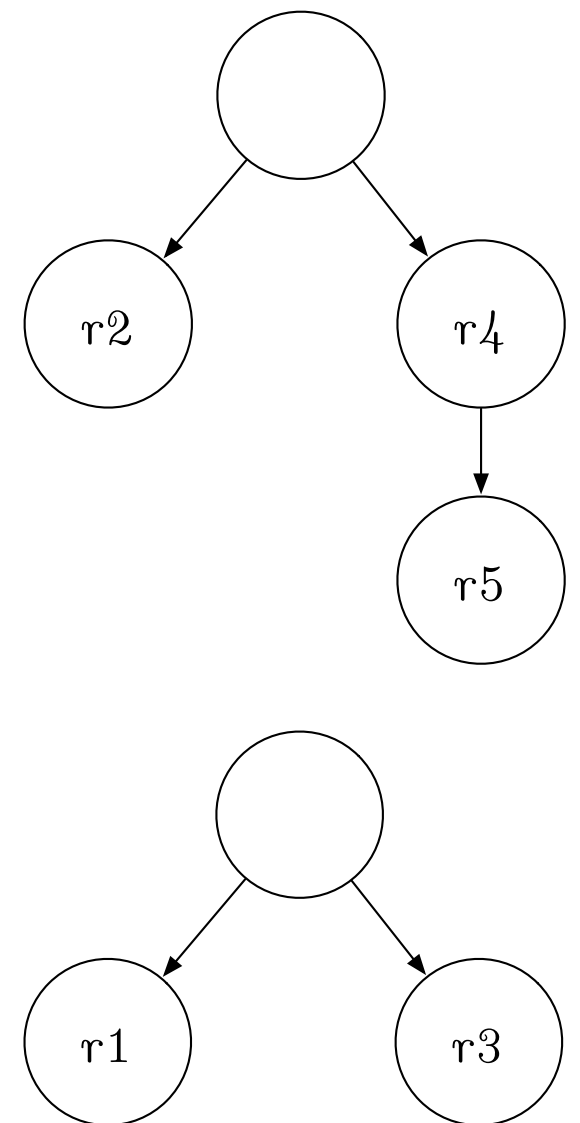
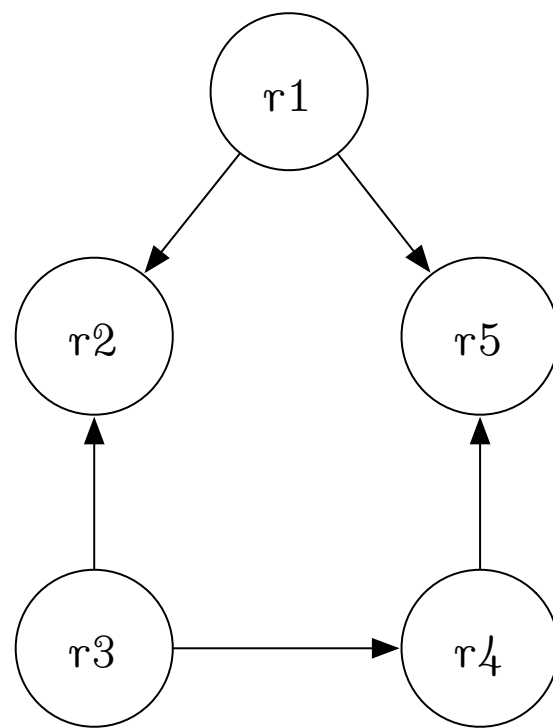
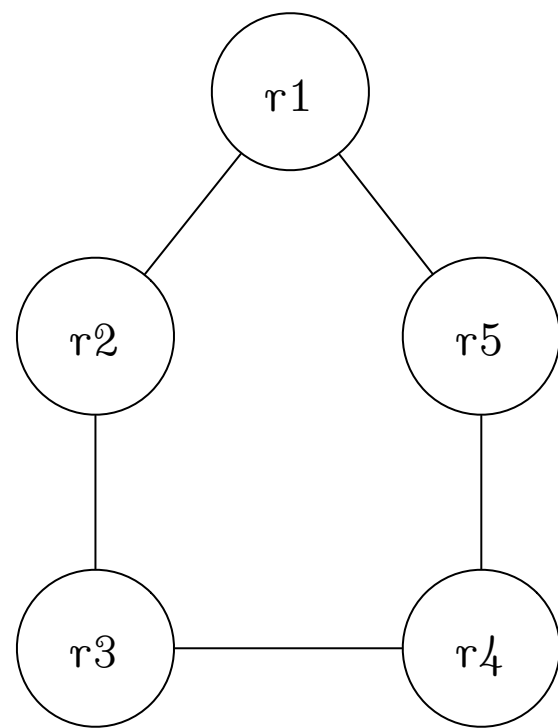


$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{outer-aliasing}) + (\text{inner-aliasing}) \\ &= (|tree1| * (|tree2| + |tree3|) + |tree2| * |tree3|) + (3 + 0 + 0) \\ &= 17. \end{aligned}$$



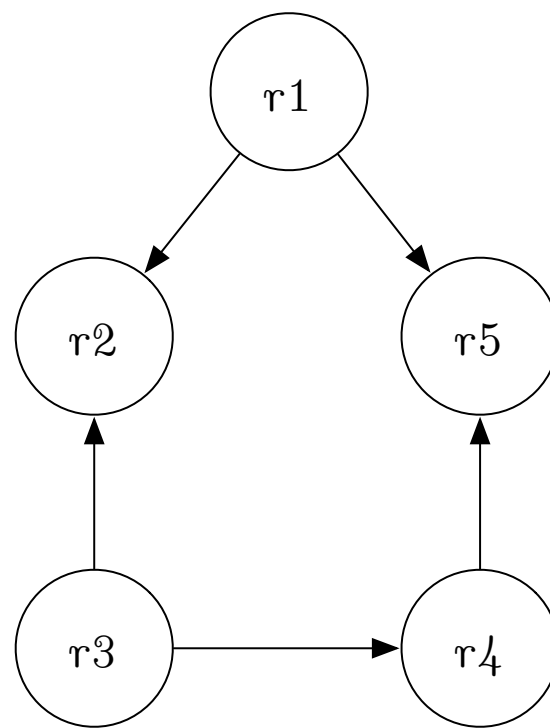
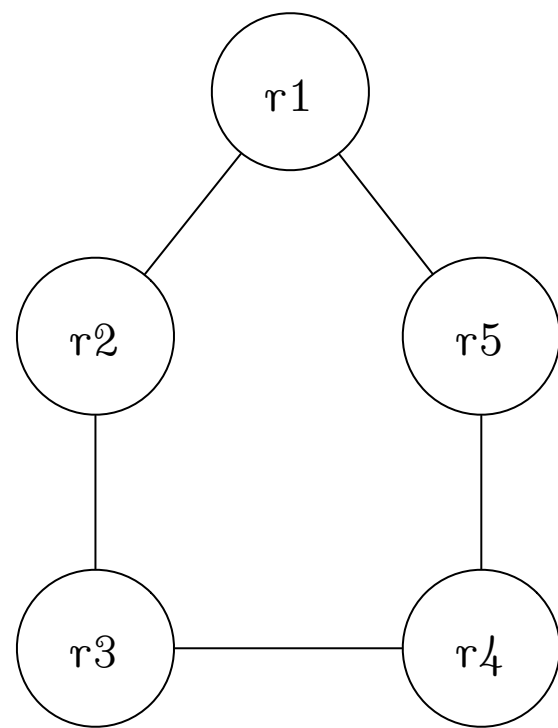
# Example

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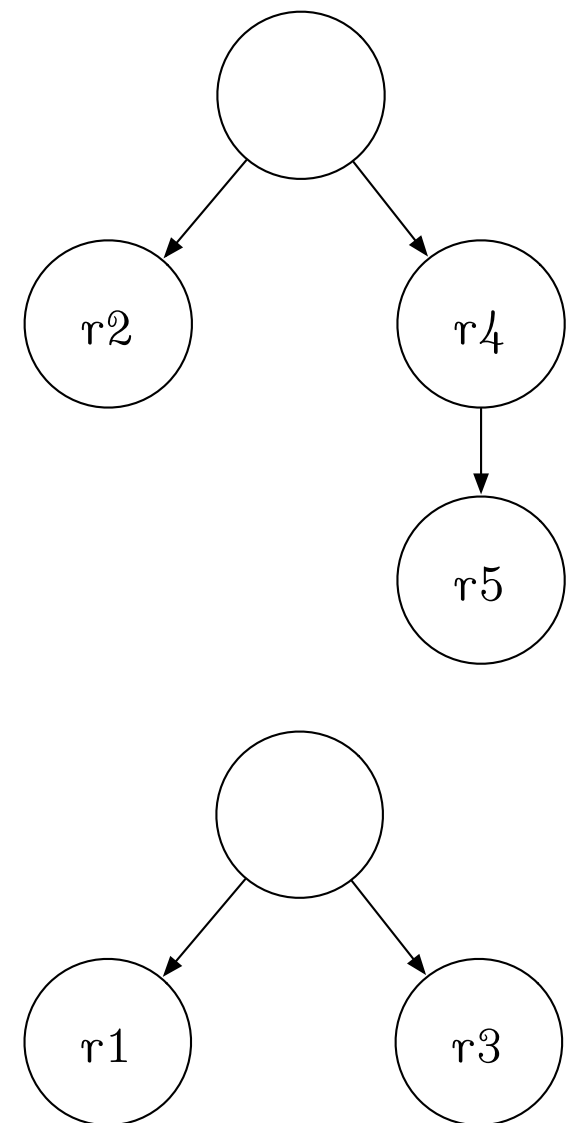


# Example

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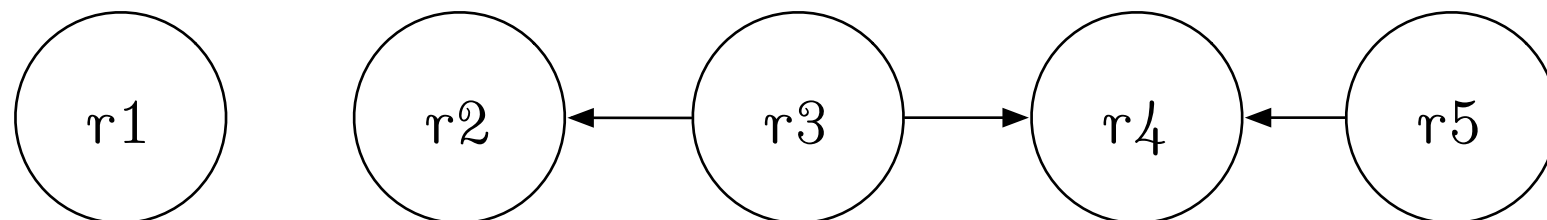
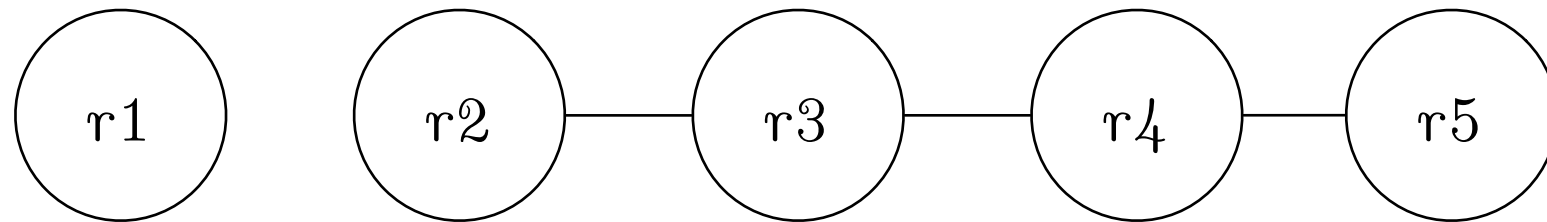
Non-happy case



Bruteforce -- but it's okay

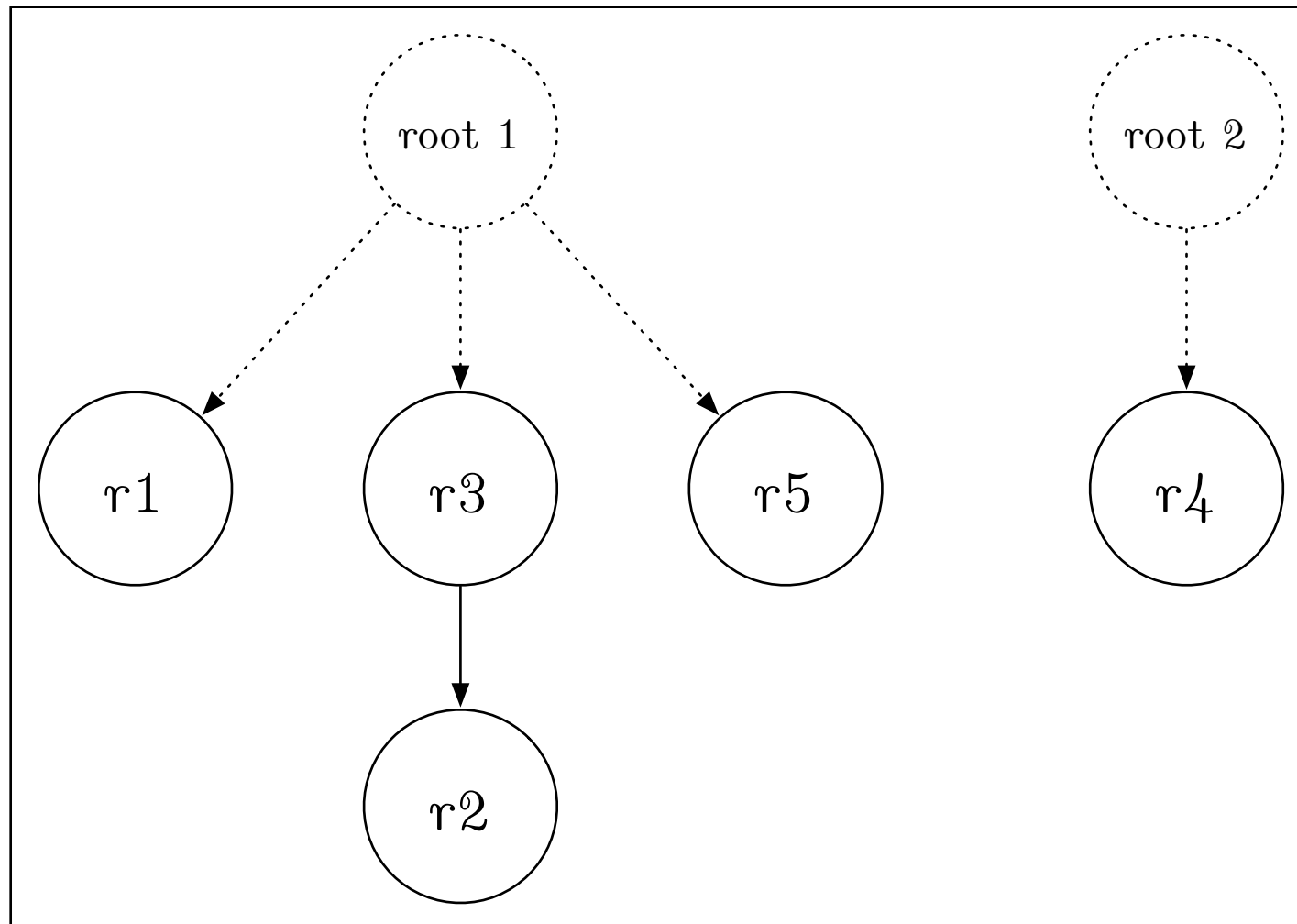
# The price

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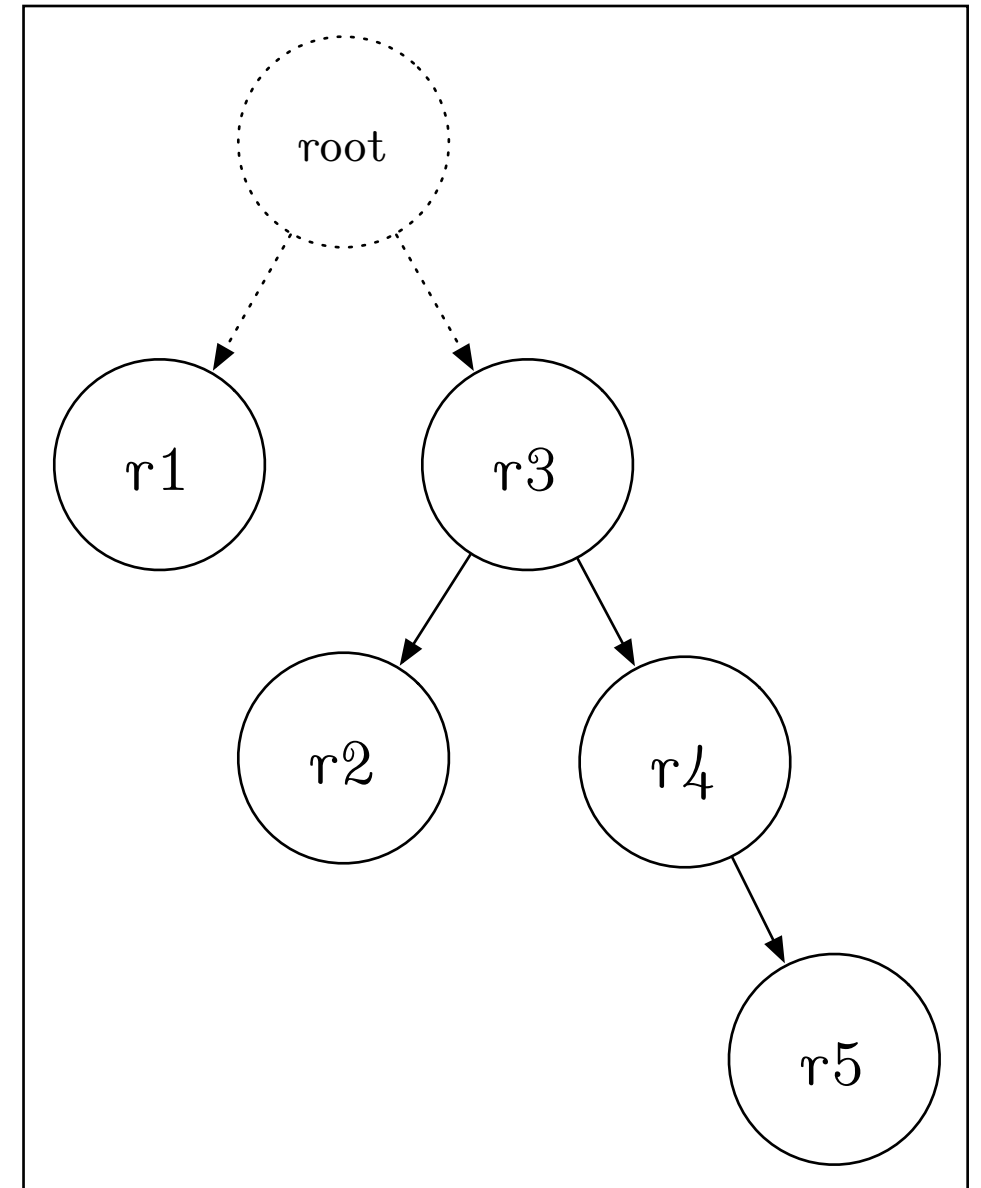


# The price

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Aliasing = 5



Aliasing = 4

# Get to the results!

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```
peek# :: [r : %]. [t : *]. Ptr# r t → Nat# → t
poke# :: [r : %]. [t : *]. Ptr# r t → Nat# → t → Void#
```

```
-- Reads a pointer to a memory object in region r1, with offset 3
peek# [r1] [Obj] x 3#;
```

```
-- Updates a pointer to an Int in region r2 with the new value 5
poke# [r2] [Int#] y 5 0#;
```

# Results - GVN

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```
x_plus_y_square
  [rx ry rz : %]
  <w1 : Distinct rx rz>
  <w2 : Distinct ry rz>
  (x : Ptr# rx Int#)
  (y : Ptr# ry Int#)
  (z : Ptr# rz Int#)
  : Int#
= do { xval1 = peek# [rx] [Int#] x 0#;
      yval1 = peek# [ry] [Int#] y 0#;
      a      = add# [Int#] xval1 yval1;

      poke# [rz] [Int#] z 0# a;

      xval2 = peek# [rx] [Int#] x 0#;
      yval2 = peek# [ry] [Int#] y 0#;
      b      = add# [Int#] xval2 yval2;

      mul# [Int#] a b;
    };
-- Takes three regions
-- Two witnesses
-- Three value arguments
-- of type pointer to int
-- Compute (x + y)
-- Modify z
-- Compute (x + y) again
-- Result is (x + y)^2
```

# Results - GVN

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```
define external ccc i64 @x_plus_y_square(i64* %x, i64* %y, i64* %z) align 8 {
16.entry:
    (...Compute the pointer offset for peek# x...)
    %xval1      = load i64* %xval1.ptr,      !tbaa !3
    (...Compute the pointer offset for peek# y...)
    %yval1      = load i64* %yval1.ptr,      !tbaa !4
    %a          = add i64 %xval1, %yval1

    (...Compute the pointer offset for poke# z...)
    store i64 %a, i64* %_v9.ptr,      !tbaa !5                -- modify z

    (...)
    %xval2      = load i64* %xval2.ptr,      !tbaa !3                -- redundant load
    (...)
    %yval2      = load i64* %yval2.ptr,      !tbaa !4                -- redundant load
    %b          = add i64 %xval2, %yval2

    %_v10       = mul i64 %a, %b
    ret i64 %_v10
}
```

# Results - GVN

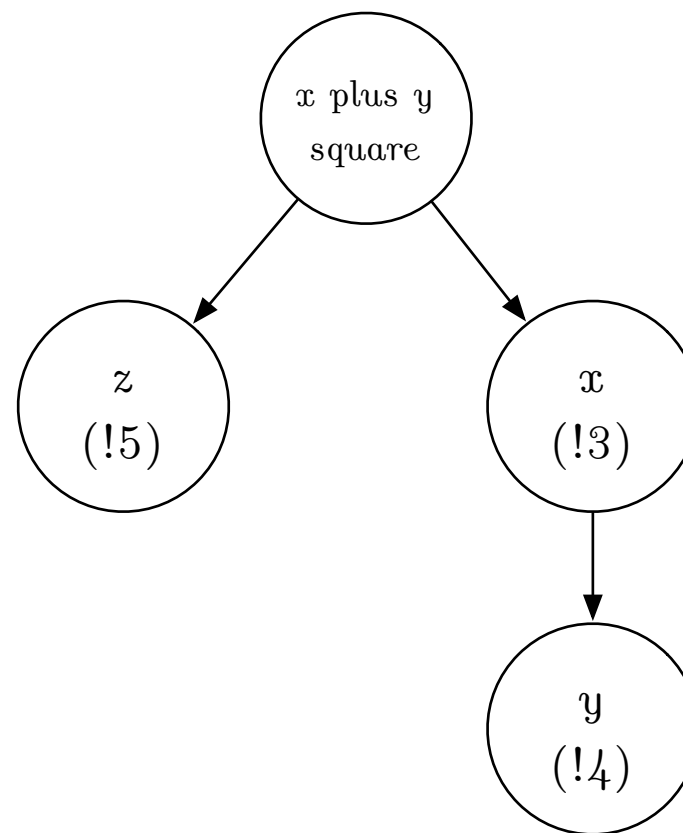
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`!5 = metadata !{metadata !"x_plus_y_square_rz", metadata !2, i32 0}`

`!4 = metadata !{metadata !"x_plus_y_square_ry", metadata !3, i32 0}`

`!3 = metadata !{metadata !"x_plus_y_square_rx", metadata !2, i32 0}`

`!2 = metadata !{metadata !"x_plus_y_square_ROOT_1", null, i32 1}`





# Results - GVN

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```
define i64 @x_plus_y_square(i64* %x, i64* %y, i64* %z) align 8 {
l6.entry:
    (...Compute the pointer offset for peek# x...)
    %xval1 = load i64* %xval1.ptr, !tbaa !0
    (...)
    %yval1 = load i64* %yval1.ptr, !tbaa !2
    %a = add i64 %xval1, %yval1

    (...Compute the pointer offset for poke# z...)
    store i64 %a, i64* %_v9.ptr, !tbaa !3                -- modify z

    %_v10 = mul i64 %a, %a
    ret i64 %_v10
}
```

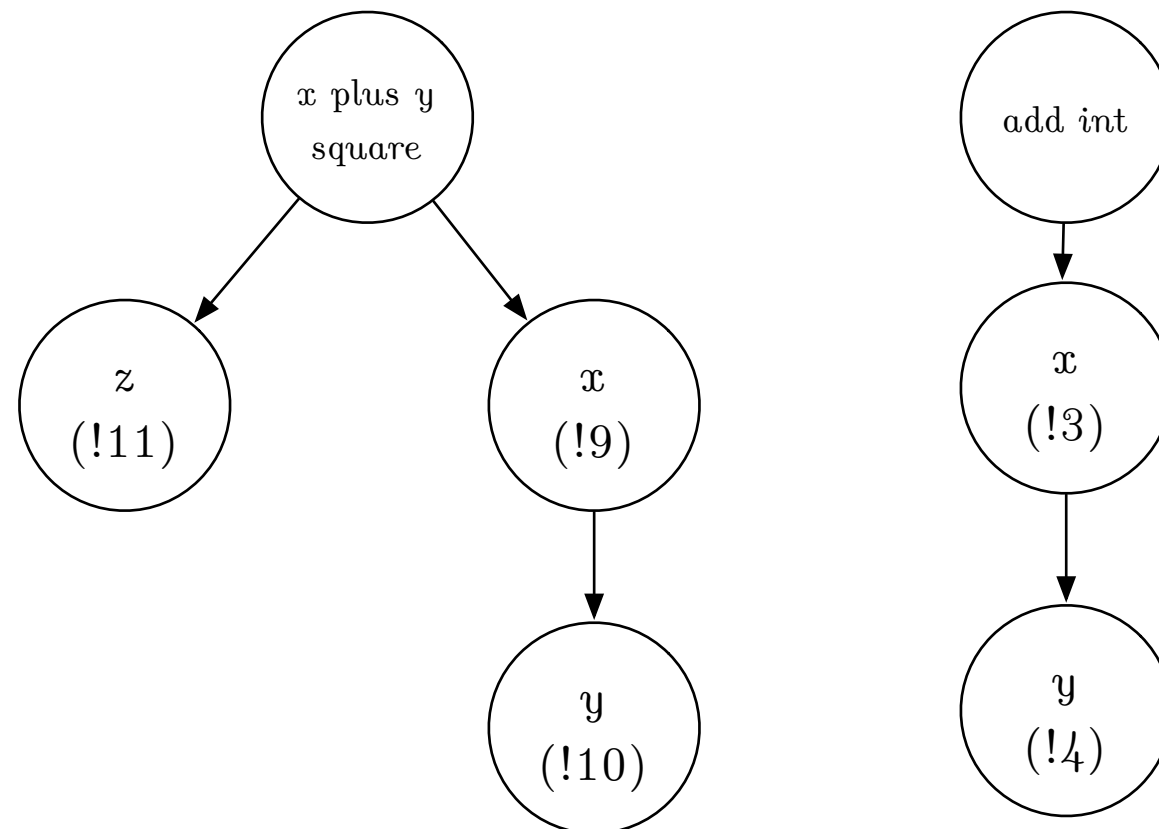
```
!0 = metadata !{metadata !"x_plus_y_square_rx", metadata !1, i32 0}
!1 = metadata !{metadata !"x_plus_y_square_ROOT_1", null, i32 1}
!2 = metadata !{metadata !"x_plus_y_square_ry", metadata !0, i32 0}
!3 = metadata !{metadata !"x_plus_y_square_rz", metadata !1, i32 0}
```

Without metadata:

```
GVN: load i64 %xval2 is clobbered by   store i64 %a, i64* %_v9.ptr
GVN: load i64 %yval2 is clobbered by   store i64 %a, i64* %_v9.ptr
```

# Dependence on inlining and let-floating

```
define external ccc i64 @x_plus_y_square(i64* %x, i64* %y, i64* %z) align 8 {  
  l12.entry:  
    %a          = call i64 @add_int (i64* %x, i64* %y)  
    (...)        
    %_v14.addr2 = add i64 %_v13.addr1, 0  
    (...)        
    store i64 %a, i64* %_v15.ptr,    !tbaa !11  
    %b          = call i64 @add_int (i64* %x, i64* %y)  
    (...)        
}
```



# Results - LICM

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```
go  [ra rx ry : %]                                -- Takes three regions
    <w : Distinct3 ra rx ry>                        -- that are pair-wise distinct
    (a : Ptr# ra Nat#)                             -- Three pointers to natural numbers
    (x : Ptr# rx Nat#)
    (y : Ptr# ry Nat#)
    (i : Nat#)                                     -- Counter
    : Nat#
= case i of {
    42# -> i;
    _   ->
        do { yval      = peek# [ry] [Nat#] y 0#;    -- Loop invariant computation
              yplustwo = add#  [Nat#] yval 2#;

              poke# [rx] [Nat#] x 0# yplustwo;        -- Loop invariant computation

              poke# [ra] [Nat#] a i i;                -- Loop-dependant computation

              nexti    = add# [Nat#] i 1#;
              go [ra] [rx] [ry] <w> a x y nexti;      -- Tail recursion
        };
};
```

# Results - LICM

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```
define external ccc i64 @go(i64* %a, i64* %x, i64* %y, i64 %i) align 8 {
l6.entry:
    switch i64 %i, label %l9.default [ i64 42,label %l7.alt ]
l7.alt:
    ret i64 %i
l9.default:
    (...)
    %yval      = load i64* %yval.ptr,      !tbaa !5
    %yplustwo   = add i64 %yval, 2
    (...)
    store i64 %yplustwo, i64* %_v12.ptr,    !tbaa !4
    (...)
    store i64 %i, i64* %_v15.ptr,    !tbaa !3
    %nexti      = add i64 %i, 1
    %_v16       = call i64 @go (i64* %a, i64* %x, i64* %y, i64 %nexti)
    ret i64 %_v16
}
```

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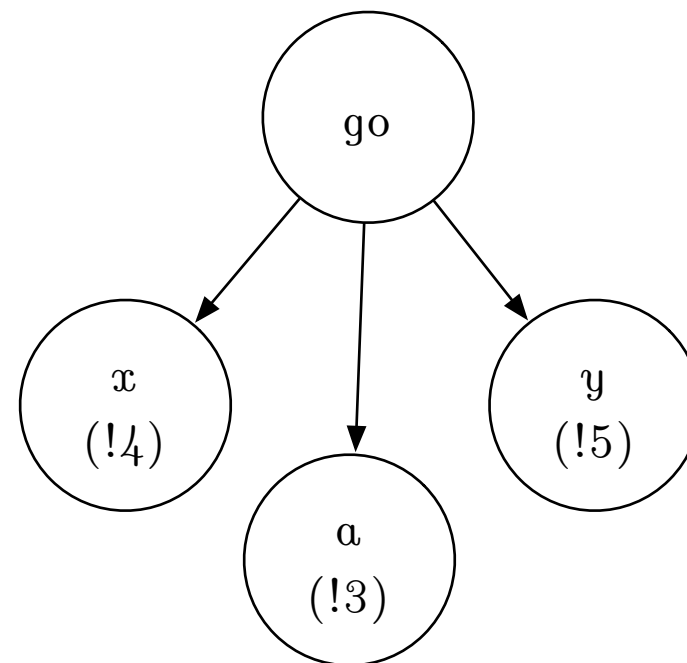
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`!5 = metadata !{metadata !"go_ry", metadata !2, i32 0}`

`!4 = metadata !{metadata !"go_rx", metadata !2, i32 0}`

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```
define i64 @go(i64* %a, i64* %x, i64* %y, i64 %i) align 8 {
16.entry:
  (...)

19.default.lr.ph:                                ; preds = %16.entry
  (...)
  %yval = load i64* %yval.ptr, !tbaa !0
  %yplustwo = add i64 %yval, 2
  (...)
  br label %19.default

tailrecurse.l7.alt_crit_edge:                    ; preds = %19.default
  %split = phi i64 [ %nexti, %19.default ]
  store i64 %yplustwo, i64* %_v12.ptr
  br label %17.alt

17.alt:                                           ; preds = %tailrecurse.l7.alt_crit_edge, %16.entry
  (...)

19.default:                                       ; preds = %19.default.lr.ph, %19.default
  (...)
  store i64 %i.tr2, i64* %_v15.ptr, !tbaa !2
  (...)
}
```

# Results - LICM

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Just to make sure..

(...)

LICM hoisting to l9.default.lr.ph: %yplustwo = add i64 %yval, 2

(...)

LICM: Promoting value stored to in loop: %\_v12.ptr = inttoptr i64  
%\_v10.addr1 to i64\*

# Integration with Rule-Based Rewriting

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```
copyVector  :: [r1 r2 : %]. Vector r1 a → Buffer r2 a
copyVector' :: [r1 r2 : %]. Distinct r1 r2 → Vector r1 a → Buffer r2 a
```