

DFA of non-distributive properties

The general pattern of Dataflow Analysis

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Distributive properties

- Monotonicity of a function implies that

$$f(x \cup y) \supseteq f(x) \cup f(y)$$

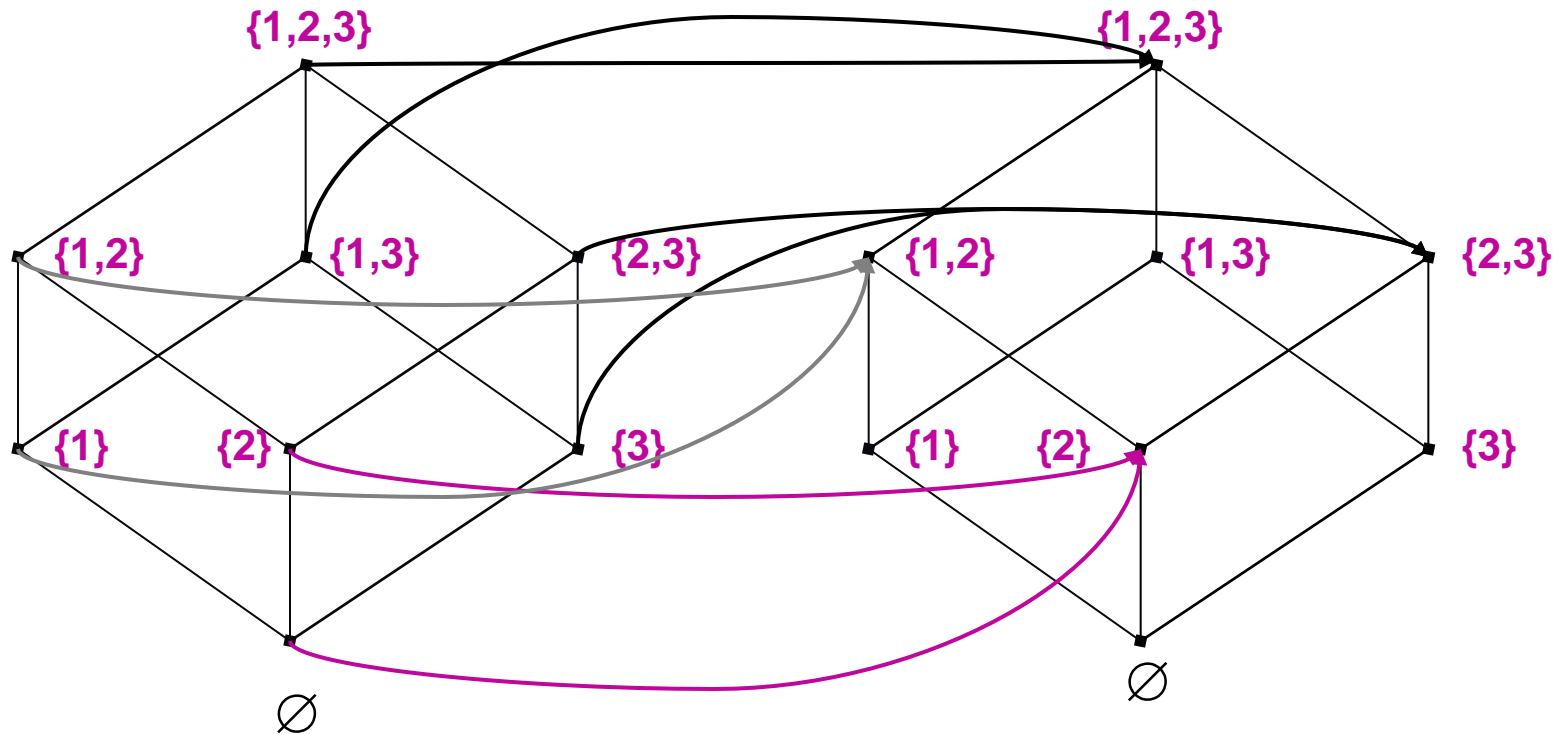
- A function is said **distributive** a stronger condition hold:

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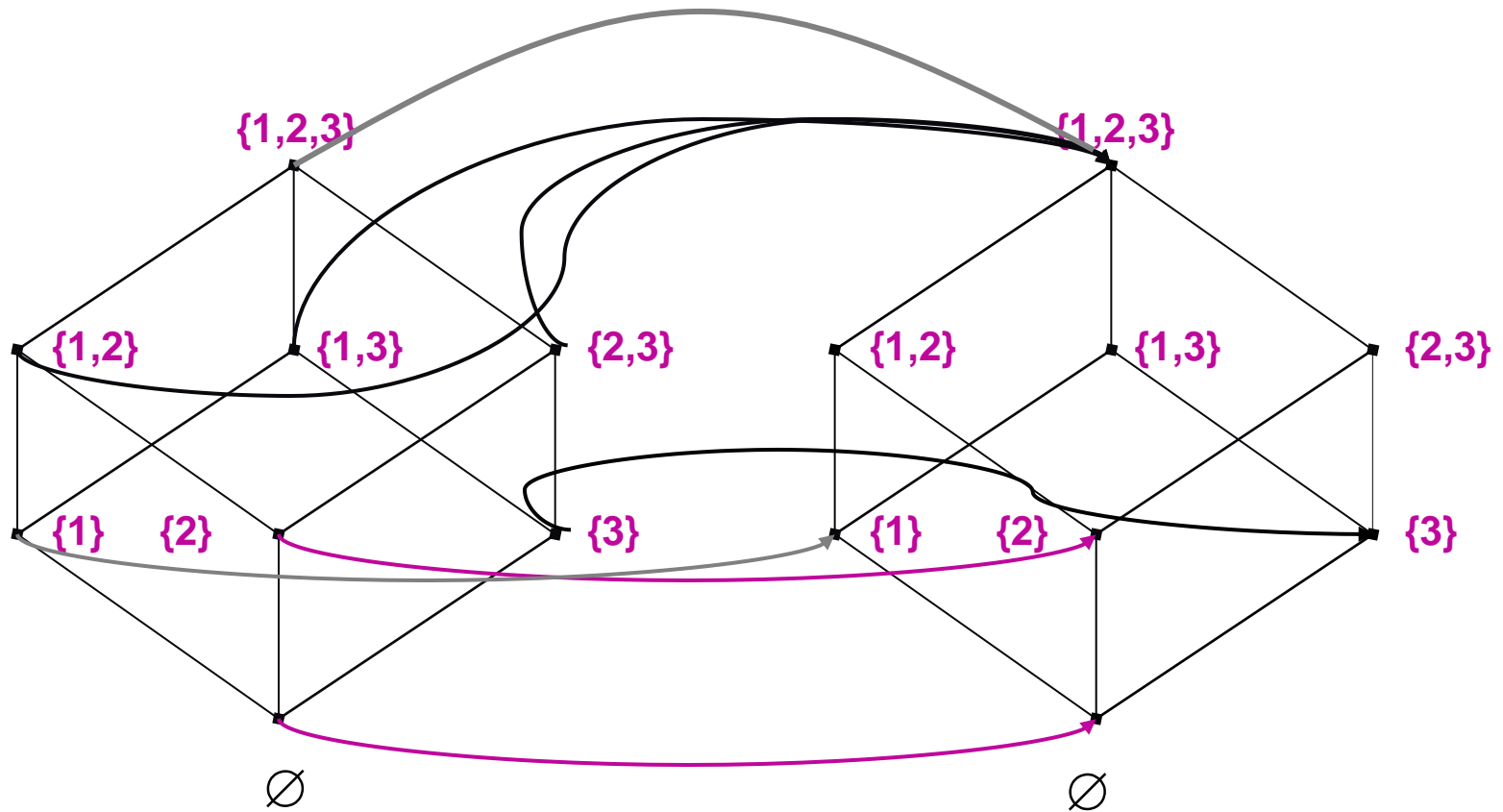
- **In general**, a dataflow analysis is said distributive if the transfer functions satisfy

$$f(\text{lub}(x, y)) = \text{lub}(f(x), f(y))$$

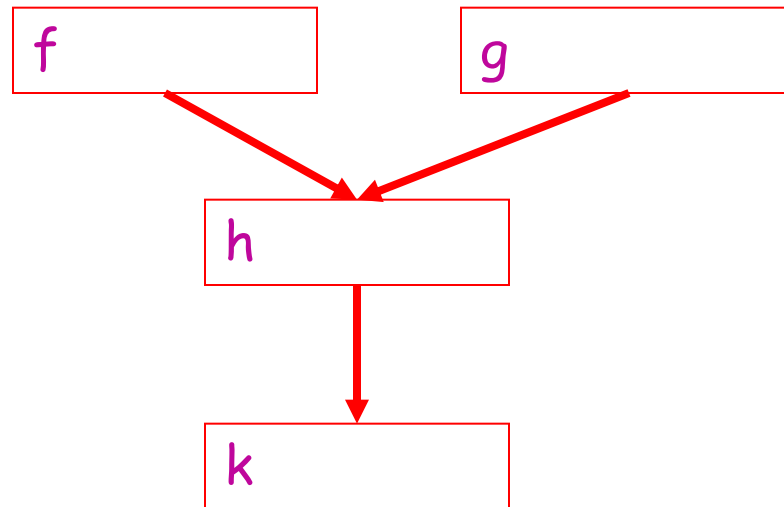
Example: f distributive



Example: f not distributive



Why distributivity is important



$$\begin{aligned} k(h(f(0) \cup g(0))) &= \\ k(h(f(0)) \cup h(g(0))) &= \\ k(h(f(0))) \cup k(h(g(0))) \end{aligned}$$

The overall analysis is equal to the lub of the analyses on the different pathes.

DFA of a distributive property

- If the property is distributive, then the minimal solution of the equation system is equivalent to combining the result of the analyses along all the pathes (including infinite pathes).
- In this case the combination operator (least upper bound) does not introduces further loss of accuracy

Which properties are distributive?

- The distributive properties are usually “easy”
- They mainly concern the structure of the program (not the actual values assigned to the variables)
 - E.g., live variables, available expressions, reaching definitions, very busy expressions
 - These properties concern HOW the program pursues the computation, not the actual values of the variables

Non-distributive properties

- They deal with WHAT a program computes
 - E.g.: has the output always the same constant value? Is a variable always assigned a positive number?
- Example: Constant Propagation Analysis

For each program point, we want to know if a variable is always assigned to exactly the same constant value.

It is a forward and definite property.

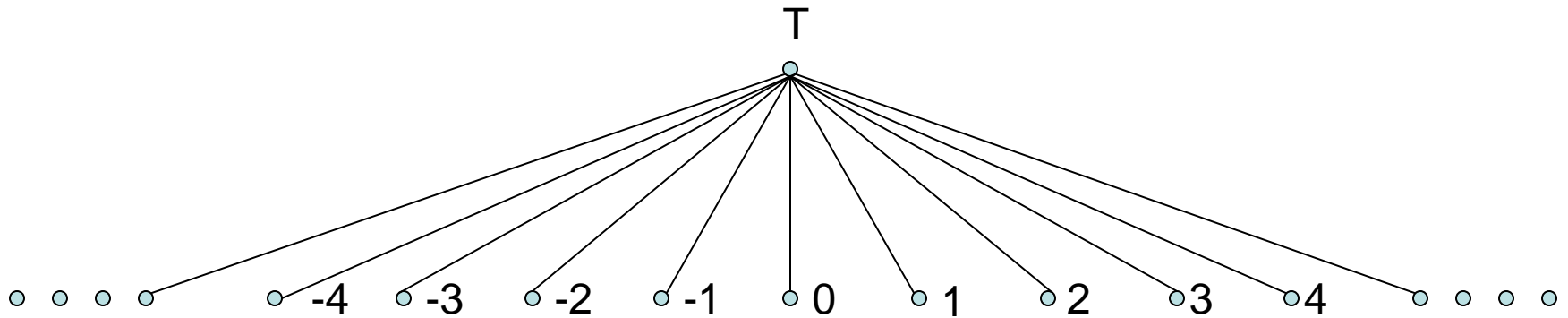
Constant Propagation Analysis

- Consider the set: $(\text{Var} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^T)_\perp$
 - Var is the set of variables occurring in the program
 - $\mathbb{Z}^T = \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\top\}$ partially ordered by:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z} : \quad n \leq_{\text{CP}} \top$$

$$\forall n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{Z} : \quad (n_1 \leq_{\text{CP}} n_2) \Leftrightarrow (n_1 = n_2)$$

Z^T



☛ $L = Z \cup \{T\}$

☛ $\forall n \in Z : n \leq T$

The lattice $(\text{Var} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^T)_\perp$

- In \mathbb{Z}^T , the top element T says that a variable is not always assigned to the same constant value (i.e. it may be assigned to different values).
- An element $\sigma: \text{Var} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^T$ is a partial function
given a variable x , $\sigma(x)$ tells us if x is a constant or not, and in the positive case (if $\sigma(x)$ is different from T) what is its value.
- The bottom element \perp is added to complete the lattice.

The order in $(\text{Var} \rightarrow Z^\top)_\perp$

- A partial order in $(\text{Var} \rightarrow Z^\top)_\perp$

$$\forall \sigma \in (\text{Var} \rightarrow Z^\top)_\perp : \quad \perp \leq \sigma$$

$$\forall \sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in (\text{Var} \rightarrow Z^\top)_\perp : (\sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2) \Leftrightarrow (\forall x \in \text{dom}(\sigma_1) : \sigma_1(x) \leq_{\text{CP}} \sigma_2(x))$$

- The **least upper bound** :

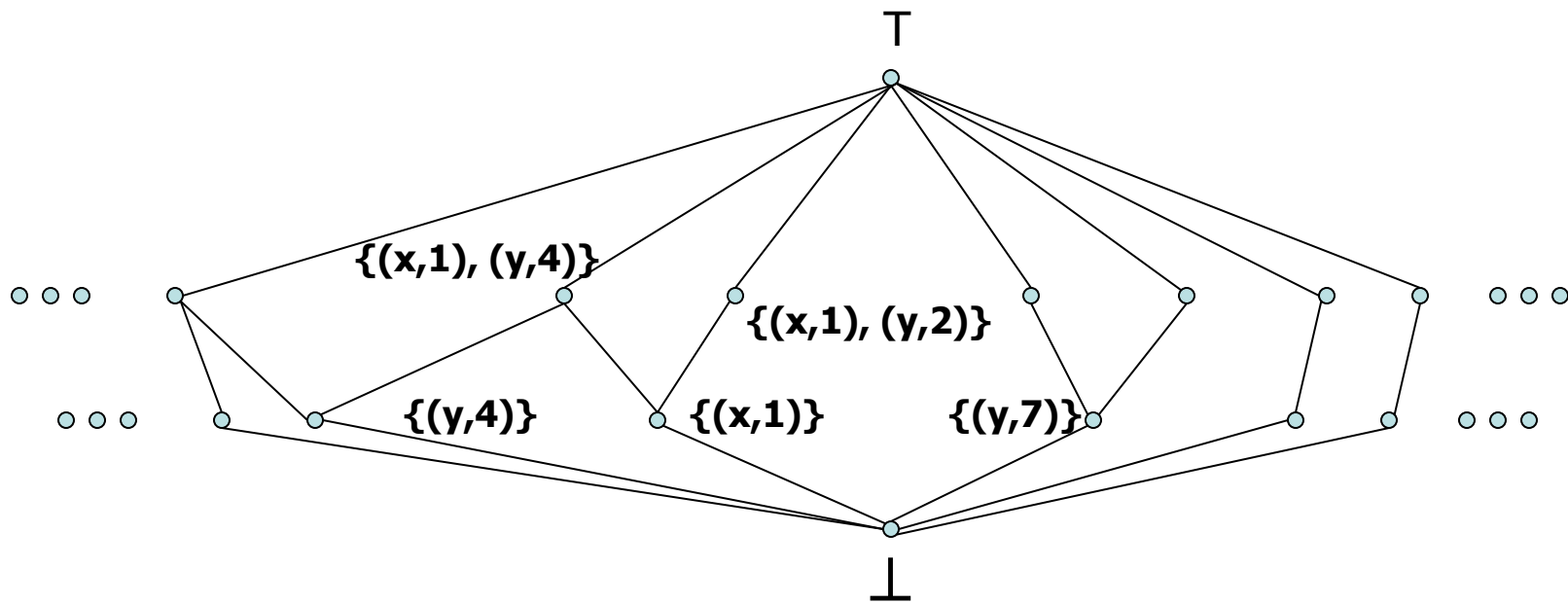
$$\forall \sigma \in (\text{Var} \rightarrow Z^\top)_\perp : \text{lub}(\perp, \sigma) = \text{lub}(\sigma, \perp) = \sigma$$

$$\forall \sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in (\text{Var} \rightarrow Z^\top)_\perp$$

$$\forall x \in \text{Var} : \text{lub}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)(x) = \text{lub}(\sigma_1(x), \sigma_2(x))$$

Means equality when $\sigma_i(x)$ are in Z !

$$(\{x,y\} \rightarrow Z^\top)_\perp$$



Expression evaluation

- In order to specify the transfer functions, we have to evaluate an expression given a state σ in $(\text{Var} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^\top)_\perp$

$$\mathcal{A}: (\text{AExp} \rightarrow (\text{Var} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^\top)_\perp) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^\top_\perp$$

$$\mathcal{A}(x, \sigma) = \begin{cases} \perp & \text{if } \sigma = \perp \\ \sigma(x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(n, \sigma) = \begin{cases} \perp & \text{if } \sigma = \perp \\ n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(a_1 \text{ op } a_2, \sigma) = \mathcal{A}(a_1, \sigma) \text{ \underline{op} } \mathcal{A}(a_2, \sigma)$$

(where op is the corresponding operation of op on \mathbb{Z}^\top_\perp : e.g. $4 \text{ \underline{op} } 2 = 6$)

Transfer functions

- For Constant Propagation Analysis the set of transfer functions is a subset of

$$\mathcal{F} = \{ f : (\text{Var} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^T)_\perp \rightarrow (\text{Var} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^T)_\perp \mid f \text{ monotone} \}$$

- The transfer functions f_ℓ are defined by:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{if } \ell \text{ is the label of an assignment } [x := a]^\ell & \\ f_\ell(\sigma) = \begin{array}{ll} \perp & \text{if } \sigma = \perp \\ \sigma[x \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(a, \sigma)] & \text{otherwise} \end{array} & \end{array}$$

if ℓ is the label of another statement: $f_\ell(\sigma) = \sigma$

Example

- $[x:=10]^1; [y:=x+10]^2; ([\text{while } x < y]^3 [y:=y-1]^4); [z:=x-1]^5$
- The minimal solution of the Constant Propagation Analysis of this program is:
- $CP_{\text{entry}}(1) = \emptyset$
 $CP_{\text{exit}}(1) = \{(x \rightarrow 10)\}$
 $CP_{\text{entry}}(2) = \{(x \rightarrow 10)\}$
 $CP_{\text{exit}}(2) = \{(x \rightarrow 10), (y \rightarrow 20)\}$
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 $CP_{\text{exit}}(5) = \{(x \rightarrow 10), (y \rightarrow \mathbf{T}), (z \rightarrow 9)\}$

Non-distributivity

- In order to show that Constant Propagation Analysis is non distributive, just consider the transfer function f_ℓ corresponding to the statement $[y := x * x]^\ell$

consider two states $\sigma_1(x) = 1$ and $\sigma_2(x) = -1$
in this case:

$$\text{lub}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)(x) = T$$

and then

$$f_\ell(\text{lub}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2))(y) = T$$

whereas

$$f_\ell(\sigma_1)(y) = 1 = f_\ell(\sigma_2)(y)$$

Interprocedural analysis

Interprocedural Optimizations

- Until now, we have only considered optimizations “within a procedure”
- Extending these approaches outside of the procedural space involves similar techniques:
 - Performing interprocedural analysis
 - Control flow
 - Data flow
 - Using that information to perform interprocedural optimizations

What makes this difficult?

procedure joe(i,j,k)

$l \leftarrow 2 * k$

if (j = 100)

then $m \leftarrow 10 * j$

else $m \leftarrow i$

call ralph(l,m,k)

$o \leftarrow m * 2$

$q \leftarrow 2$

call ralph(o,q,k)

write q, m, o, l

procedure main

call joe(10, 100, 1000)

procedure ralph(a,b,c)

$b \leftarrow a * c / 2000$

Since j = 100 this
always executes the
then clause

and always m has the value 1000

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With perfect knowledge, the
compiler could replace this with

write 2, 1000, 2000, 2000

and the rest is dead !

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Procedure calls

- We can label a procedure call by:

$[\text{call } p(a,z)]^{\ell_c}_{\ell_r}$

dove:

a is an input parameter

z is an output parameter

ℓ_c is a label corresponding to the entrance into p

ℓ_r is a label corresponding to the exit out of p

Flow

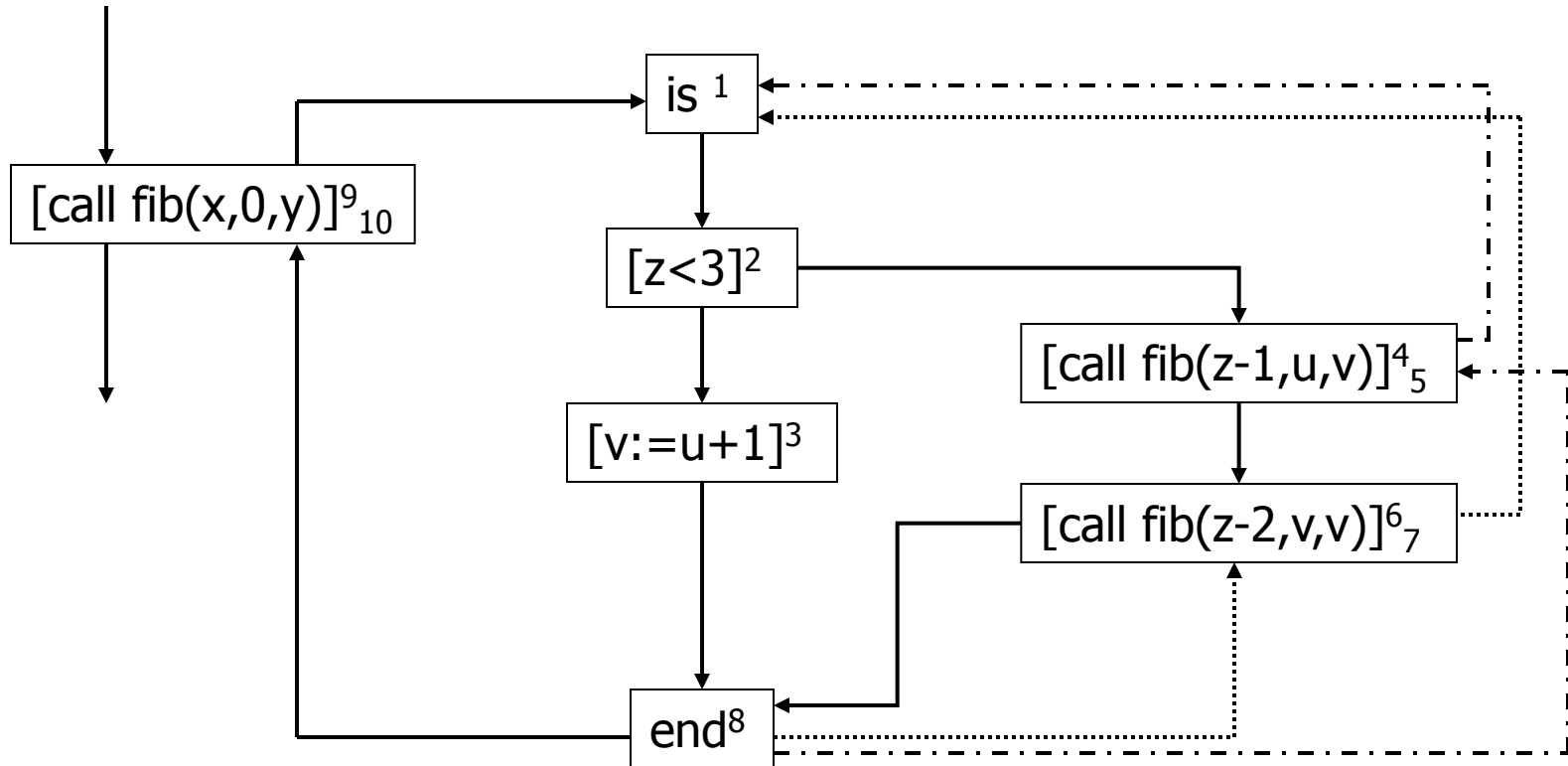
- In the intraprocedural analysis we considered a flow as a set of pairs (p,q) corresponding to an edge in the control flow graph
- We can now consider the call and a procedure declaration
$$[\text{call } p(a,z)]^{\ell_c}_{\ell_r}$$
$$\text{proc } p(\text{val } x, \text{res } y) \text{ is }^{\ell_{\text{in}}} S \text{ end}^{\ell_{\text{out}}};$$
- In the interprocedural graph we should then consider also:
 - $(\ell_c; \ell_{\text{in}})$ the flow from the call ℓ_c , and the entry label ℓ_{in}
 - $(\ell_{\text{out}}; \ell_r)$ the flow from the exit label ℓ_{out} to the calling procedure ℓ_r .

Example

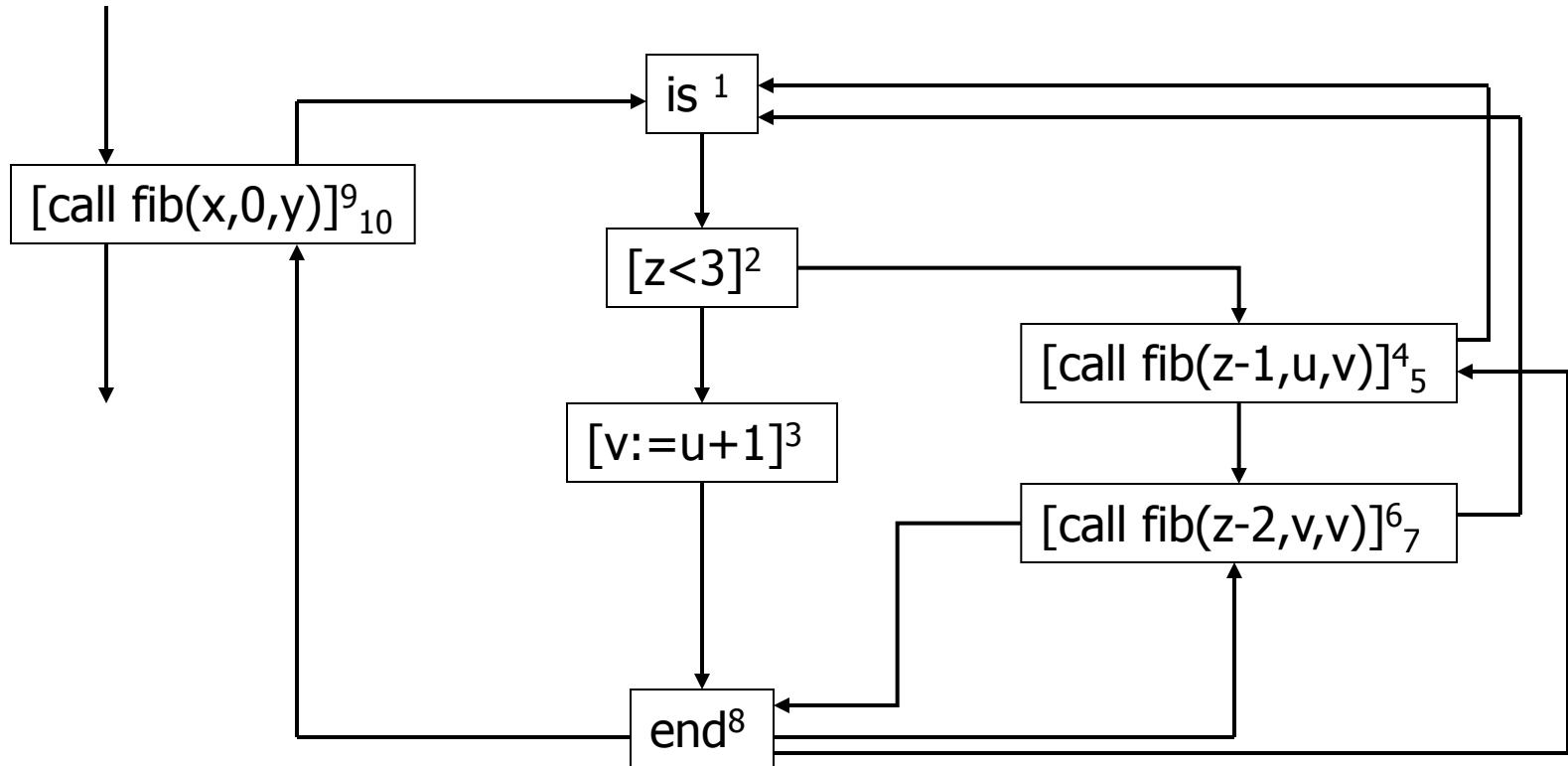
proc p(val x, res y) is ^{ℓ_{in}} S end ^{ℓ_{out}} ;

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proc fib(val: z,u; res: v) is1
  if [z<3]2
    then [v:=u+1]3
  else
    [call fib(z-1,u,v)]45 ; [call fib(z-2,v,v)]67
  end8;
[call fib(x,0,y)]910
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The flow graph



The resulting flattened flow graph



A naif approach

- We may simply extend the dataflow equations using the extended flow

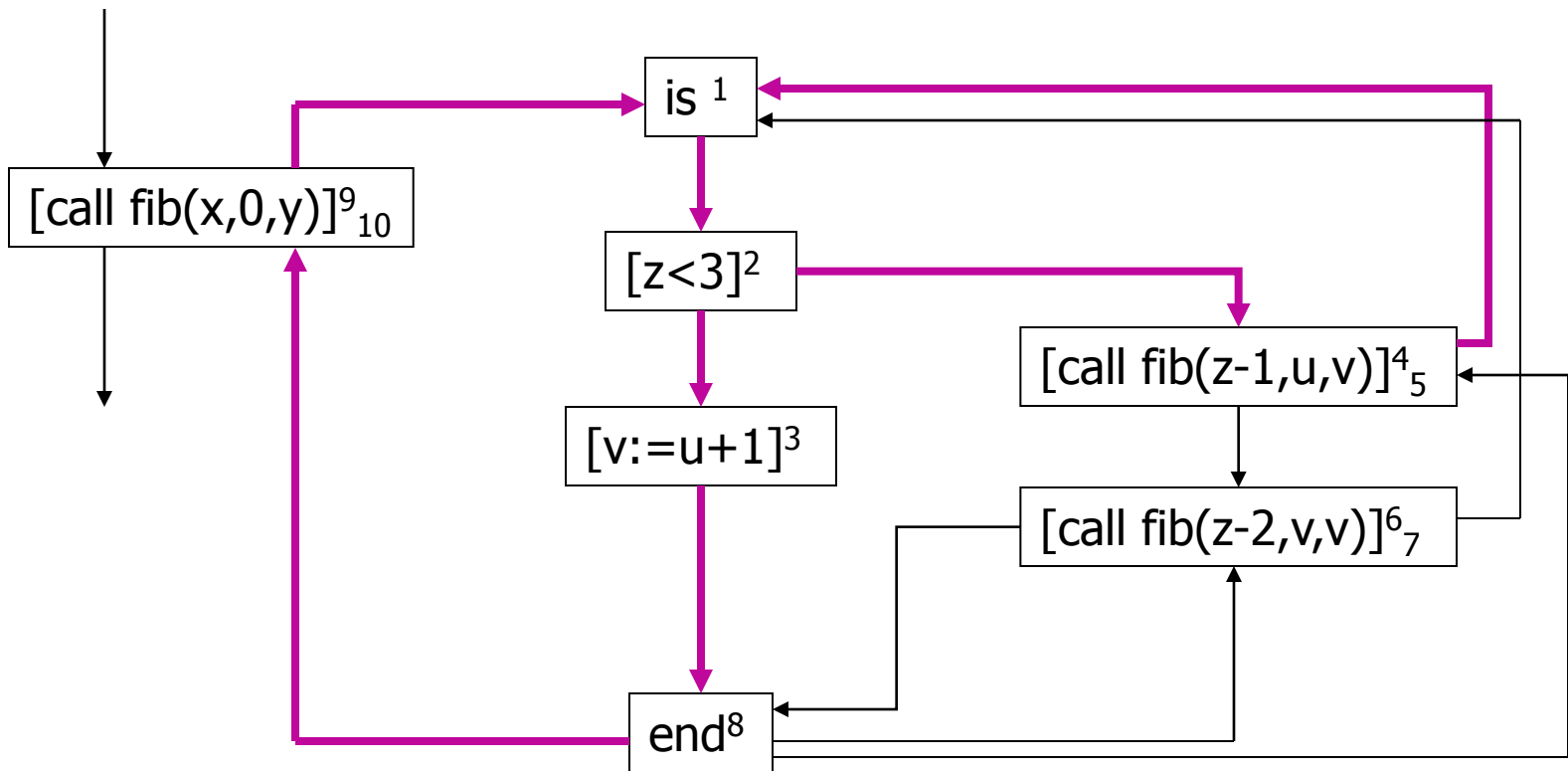
$$GA_{\circ}(\ell) = \begin{cases} \perp & \text{if } \ell \in E \\ \text{lub} \{ GA_{\bullet}(\ell') \mid (\ell', \ell) \in F \text{ or } (\ell'; \ell) \in F \} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$GA_{\bullet}(\ell) = f_{\ell} (GA_{\circ}(\ell))$$

Correctness and Accuracy issues

- As we consider all possible paths $(\ell', \ell) \in F$ and $(\ell'; \ell) \in F$ the analysis is still correct
- However, the analysis also consider the path [9, 1, 2, 4, 1, 2, 3, 8, 10] that does not correspond to any actual computation of the program.
- This deeply affects the accuracy of the analysis

Spurious paths



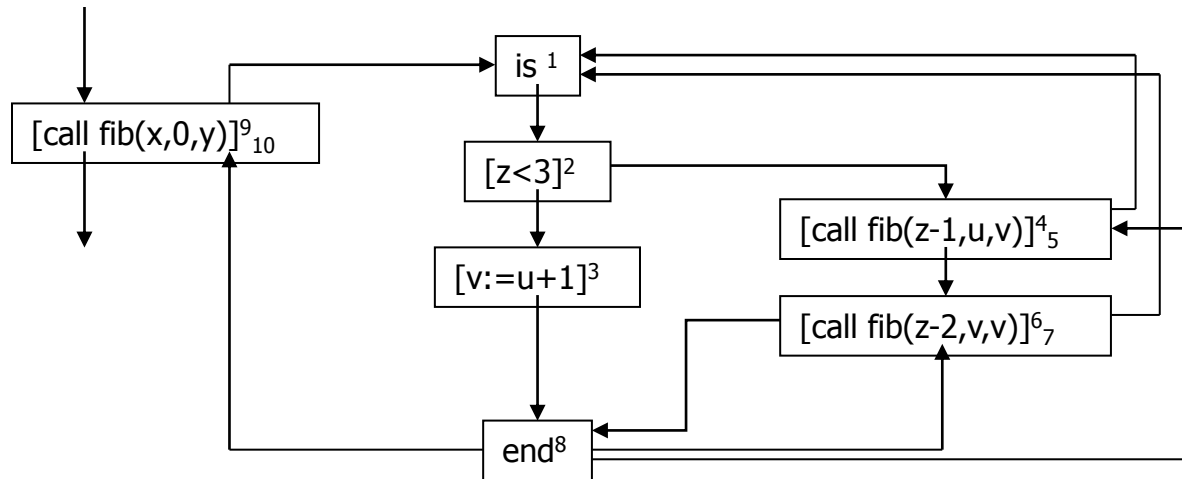
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Inter-flow

We may define a notion of inter-flow:

$$\text{inter-flow} = \{(\ell_c, \ell_{in}, \ell_{out}, \ell_r) \mid \text{the program contains both}$$
$$\begin{array}{l} [\text{call } p(a,z)]_{\ell_c}^{\ell_r} \\ \text{and } \text{proc } p(\text{val } x, \text{res } y) \text{ is }_{\ell_{in}} S \text{ end}_{\ell_{out}} \end{array}$$
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Flow and inter-flow



- flow= $\{(1,2), (2,3), (2,4), (3,8), (4,1), (5,6), (6,1), (7,8), (8,5), (8,7), (8,10), (9,1)\}$
- Inter-flow= $\{(9,1,8,10), (4,1,8,5), (6,1,8,7)\}$

Extending the general framework

$$EA_{\bullet}(\ell) = f_{\ell} (EA_{\circ}(\ell))$$

for all labels ℓ that do not appear as a first or last element of an inter-flow tuple

$$EA_{\circ}(\ell) = \bigsqcup \{ EA_{\bullet}(\ell') \mid (\ell', \ell) \in F \text{ or } (\ell'; \ell) \in F \} \sqcup \mathbf{t}_E^{\ell}$$

for all labels ℓ

Moreover, for each inter-flow tuple $(\ell_c, \ell_{in}, \ell_{out}, \ell_r)$ we introduce the equations:

$$EA_{\bullet}(\ell_c) = f_{\ell_c} (EA_{\circ}(\ell_c))$$

$$EA_{\bullet}(\ell_r) = f_{\ell_c, \ell_r} (EA_{\circ}(\ell_c), EA_{\circ}(\ell_r))$$