

Consider the following source code program written in a high level programming language. Assume that multiplication is left-associative and has higher precedence than addition.

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int w, x, y;  
x = 1;  
y = 2;  
w = x * y * x + 7 * x  
print y
```

Problem 1. Convert the program to three-address code, introducing temporary variables as necessary.

One possible solution:

```
 $x \leftarrow 1$   
 $y \leftarrow 2$   
 $t_1 \leftarrow x * y$   
 $t_2 \leftarrow t_1 * x$   
 $t_3 \leftarrow 7 * x$   
 $w \leftarrow t_2 + t_3$   
print y
```

Most students submitted correct IR for the source code, with the following variations, all of which are acceptable:

- Different students had different (legal) orderings of IR statements, e.g., some students generated IR for the left operand ($x*y*x$) first, whereas some generated IR for the right operand ($7*x$) first.
- Some students reused temporary variables to reduce the number of temporaries, whereas others created a new temporary in each instruction.

One common mistake among the (few) incorrect solutions was that some students calculated multiplication in a non-left-associative manner.

Problem 2. Assuming that all print instructions are critical instructions, show the output IR after dead code elimination is performed.

Solution:

```
 $y \leftarrow 2$   
print y
```

Almost all students answered this problem correctly. A few students were not sure what *critical instruction* meant in the context of dead code elimination. (Recall from the lecture that critical instructions are roots of computations that are necessary.)