



SENG3320/6320: Software Verification and Validation

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Data Flow Coverage

Motivation

```
1 begin
2   int x,y; float z;
3   input(x,y);
4   z=0;
5   if(x!=0)
6     z=z+y;
7   else z=z-y;
8   if(y!=0)
9     z=z/x;
10  else z=z*x;
11  output(z):
12 end
```

Any bug in
this program?

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t1	0	0	0.0
t2	1	1	1.0

- 100% statement and decision coverage
- Still cannot discover the bug at line 8

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t2	1	1	1.0
t3	0	1	NaN
t4	1	0	1.0

Dataflow coverage

- Considers how data gets accessed and modified in the system and how it can get corrupted
- Common access-related bugs
 - Using an undefined or uninitialized variable
 - Deallocating or reinitializing a variable before it is constructed, initialized, or used
 - Deleting a collection object leaving its members inaccessible

Variable definition

- A program variable is **DEFINED** whenever its value is modified:
 - on the *left* hand side of an assignment statement
 - *e.g.*, **y** = 17
 - in an input statement
 - *e.g.*, read(**y**)
 - as an call-by-reference parameter in a subroutine call
 - *e.g.*, update(x, &**y**);

Variable use

- A program variable is **USED** whenever its value is read:
 - on the right hand side of an assignment statement
 - *e.g.*, $y = \mathbf{x} + 17$
 - as an call-by-value parameter in a subroutine or function call
 - *e.g.*, $y = \text{sqrt}(\mathbf{x})$
 - in the predicate of a branch statement
 - *e.g.*, $\text{if } (\mathbf{x} > 0) \{ \dots \}$

Variable use: p-use and c-use

- Use in the predicate of a branch statement is a **predicate-use** or “**p-use**”
- Any other use is a **computation-use** or “**c-use**”
- For example, in the program fragment:

```
if ( x > 0 ) {  
    print(y);  
}
```

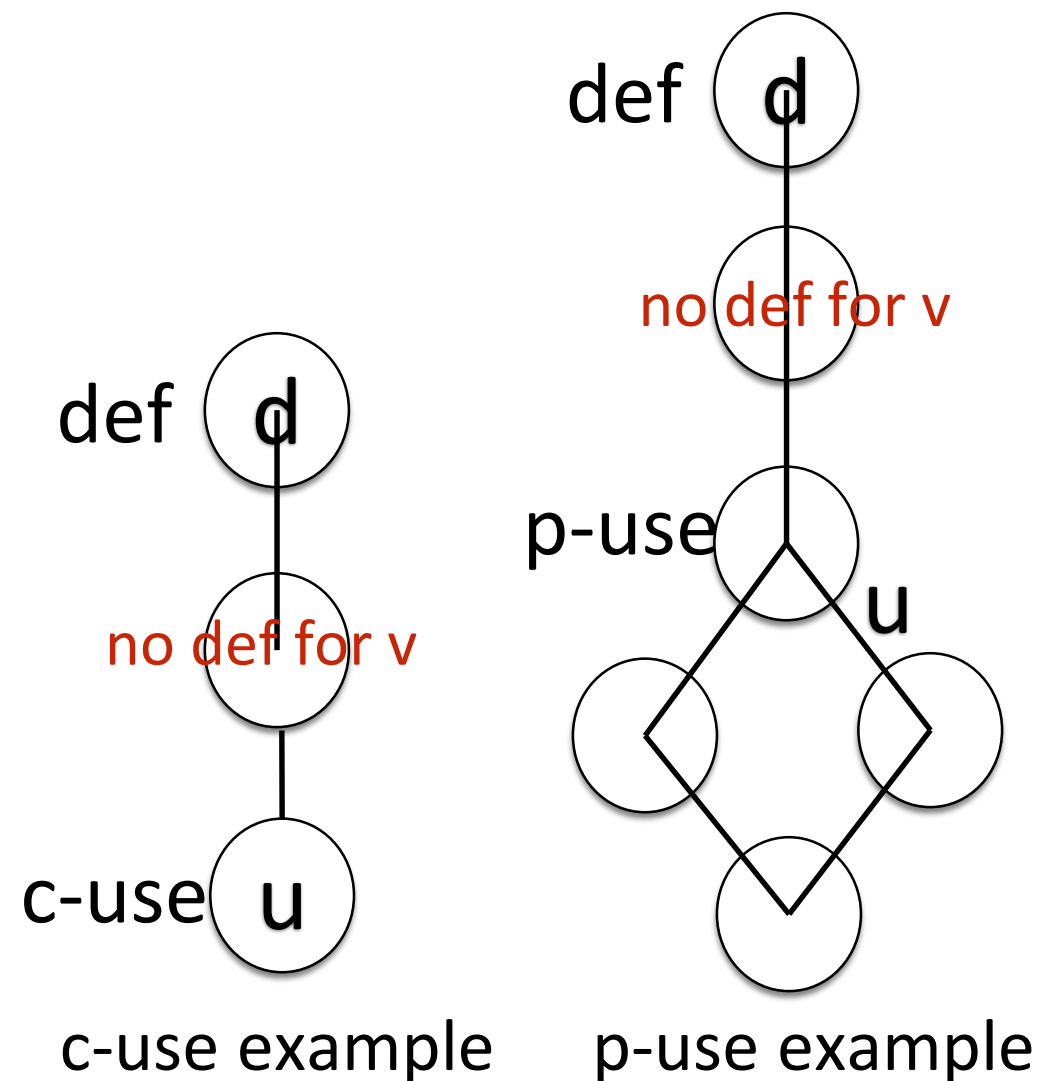
There is a p-use of **x** and a c-use of **y**

Variable use

- A variable can also be used and then re-defined in a single statement when it appears:
 - on both sides of an assignment statement
 - *e.g.*, $y = y + x$
 - as an call-by-reference parameter in a subroutine call
 - *e.g.*, `increment(&y)`

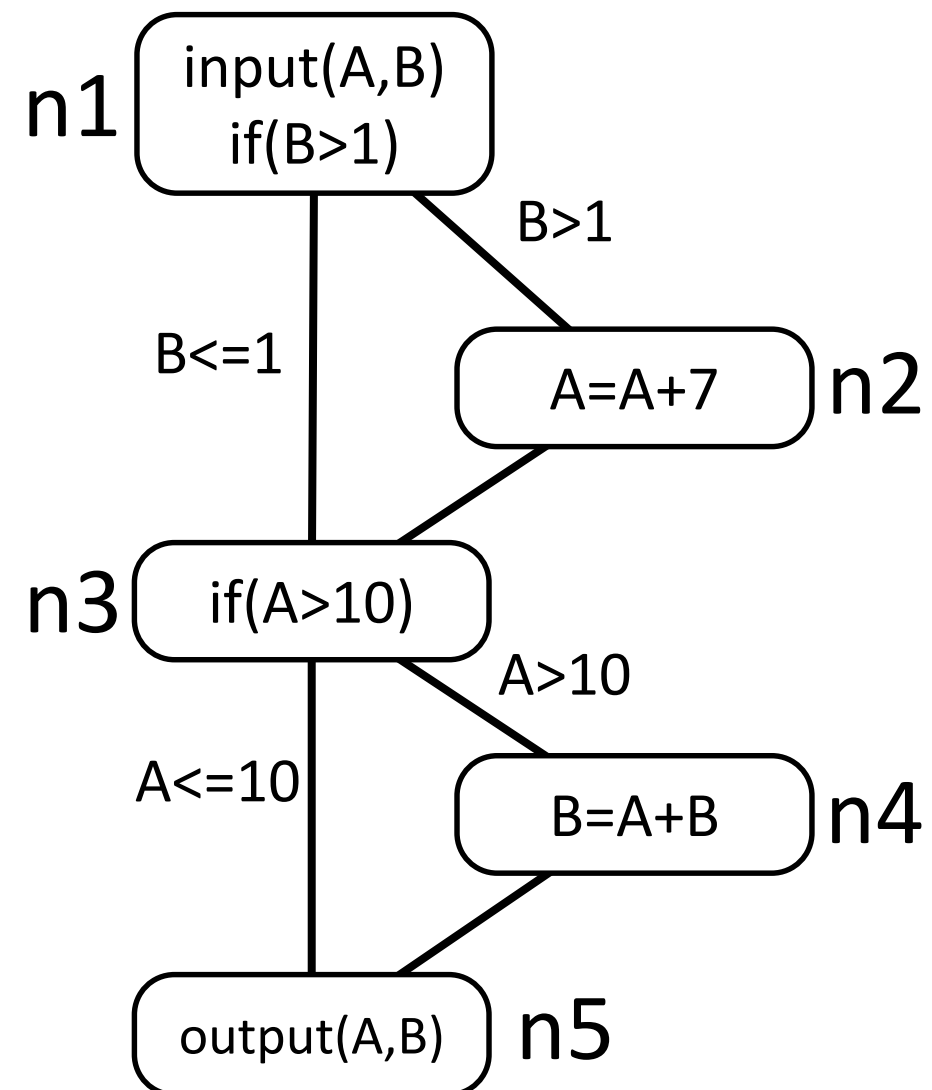
Definition-use pair (du-pair)

- A **definition-use pair** (“du-pair”) with respect to a variable **v** is a pair (**d**,**u**) such that
 - **d** is a node defining **v**
 - **u** is a node or edge using **v**
 - when it is a **p-use** of **v**, **u** is an outgoing edge of the predicate statement
 - there is a **def-clear** path with respect to **v** from **d** to **u**
 - A path is **definition clear** (“def-clear”) with respect to a variable **v** if it has no variable re-definition of **v** on the path



Du-pair: example 1

```
1. input(A,B)
   if (B>1) {
2.   A = A+7
   }
3. if (A>10) {
4.   B = A+B
   }
5. output(A,B)
```

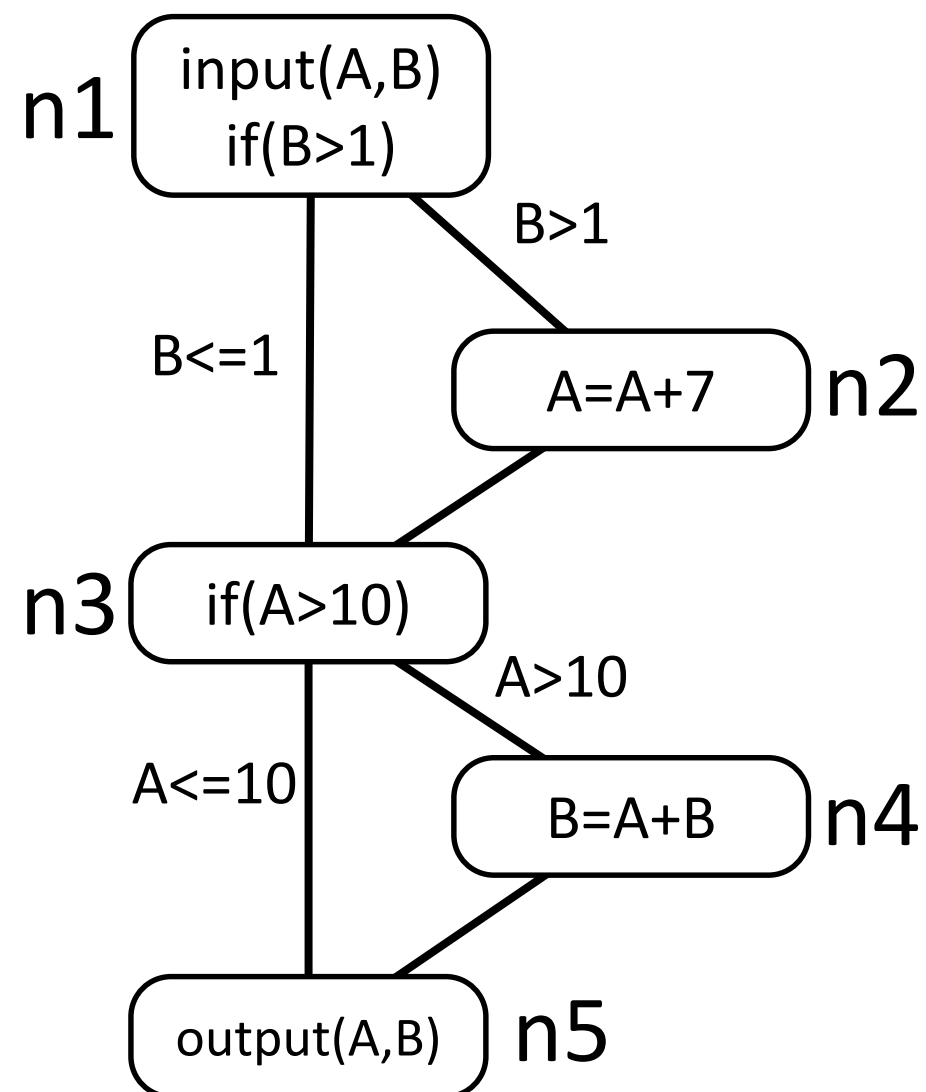


Statements or blocks?

- Nodes in a control flow graph often represent basic blocks of multiple statements
 - Some standards refer to *basic block* coverage or *node coverage*
 - Difference in granularity, not in concept
- No essential difference
 - 100% node coverage \leftrightarrow 100% statement coverage
 - A test case that improves one will improve the other

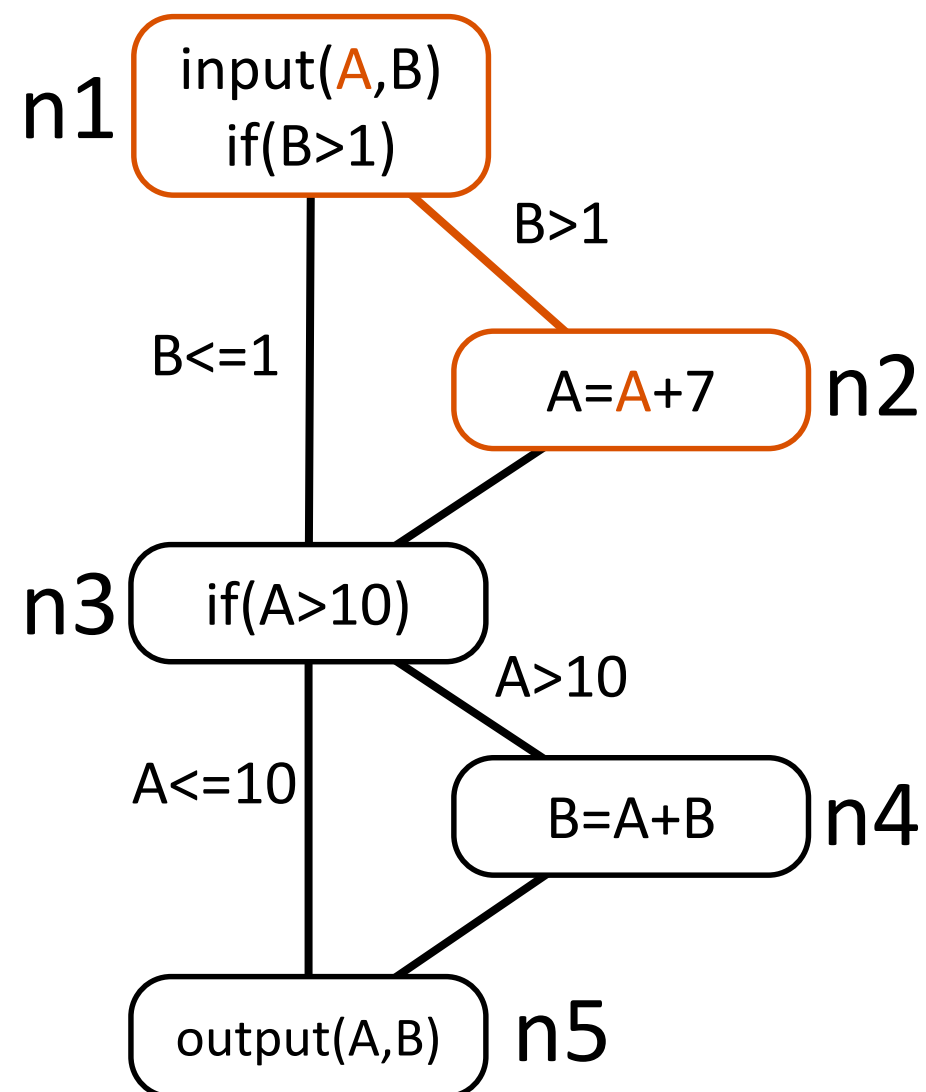
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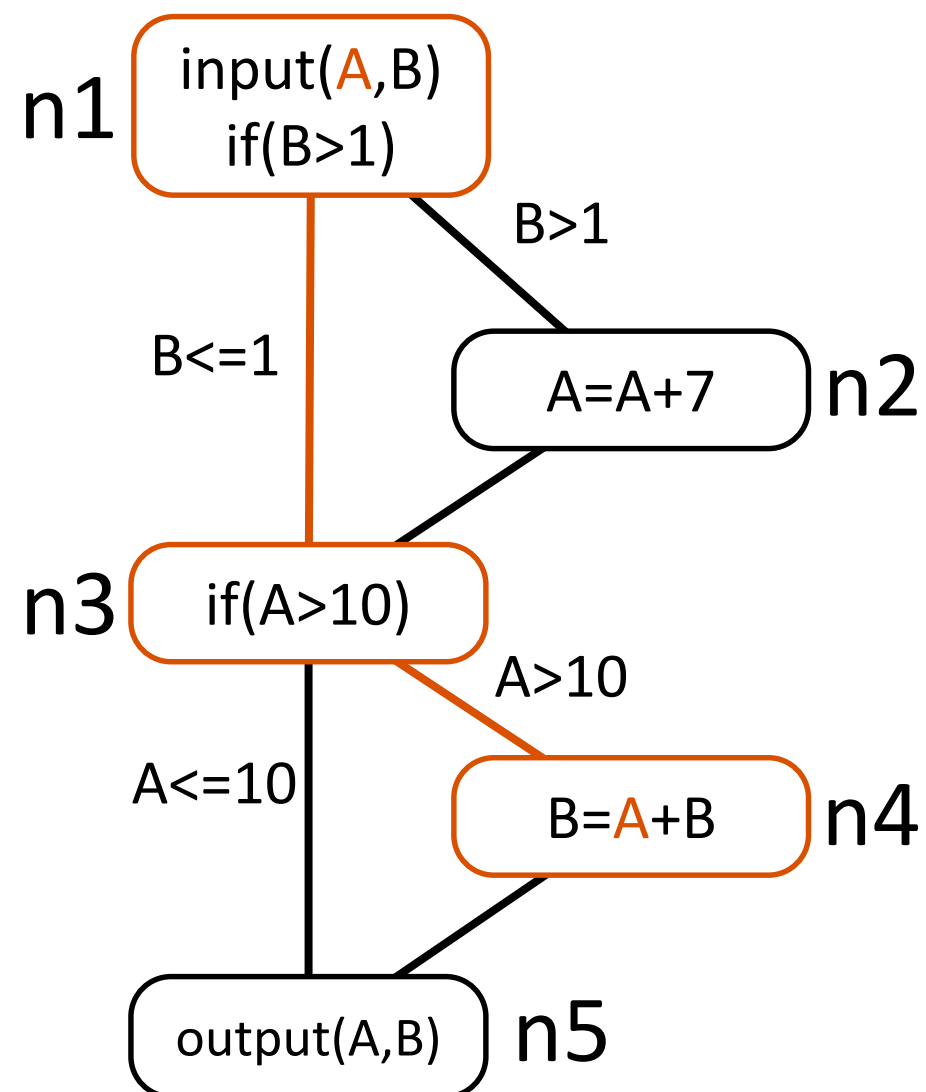
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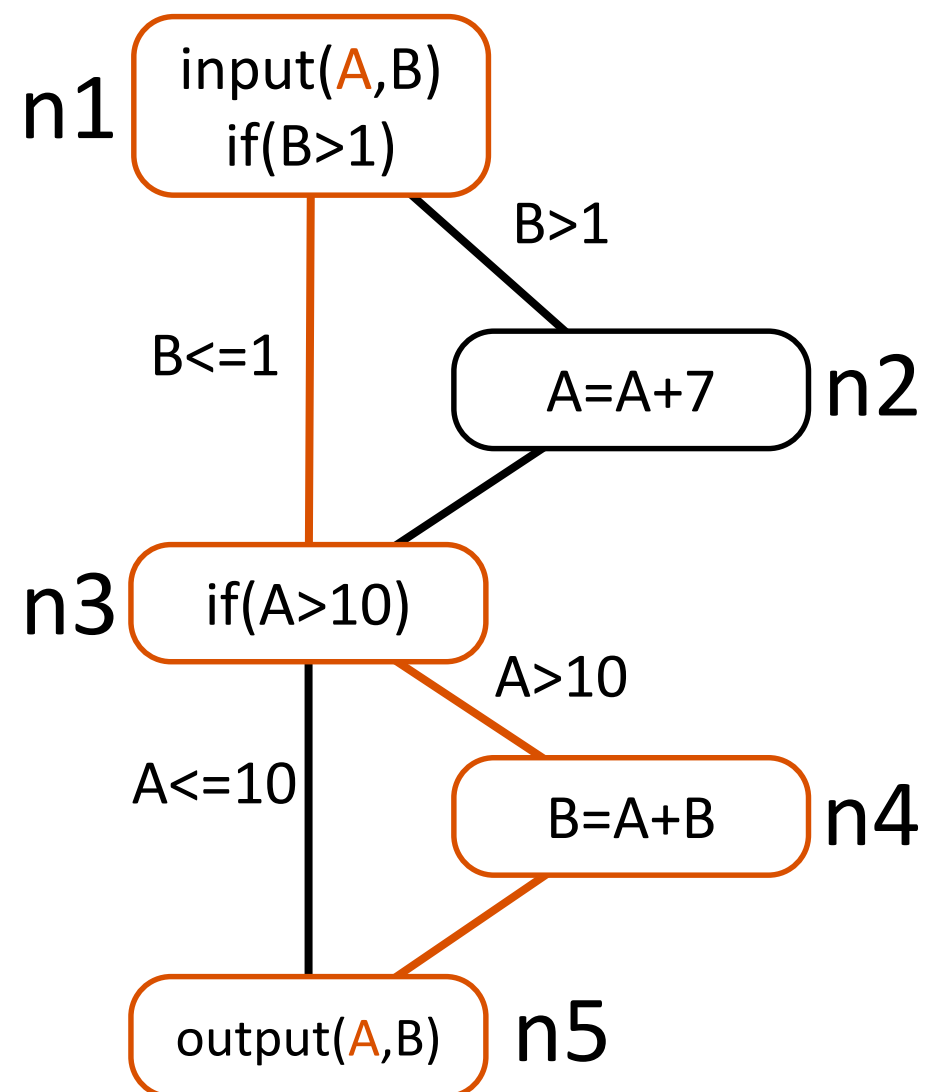
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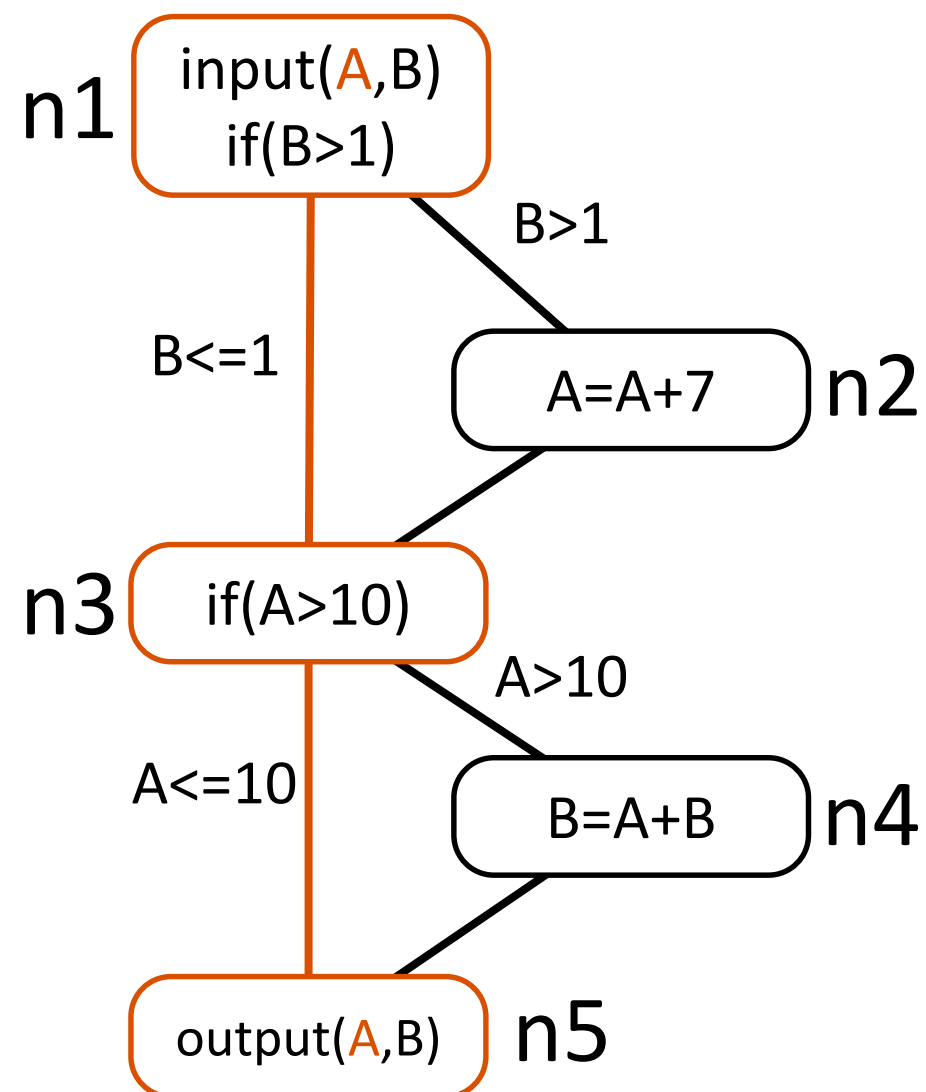
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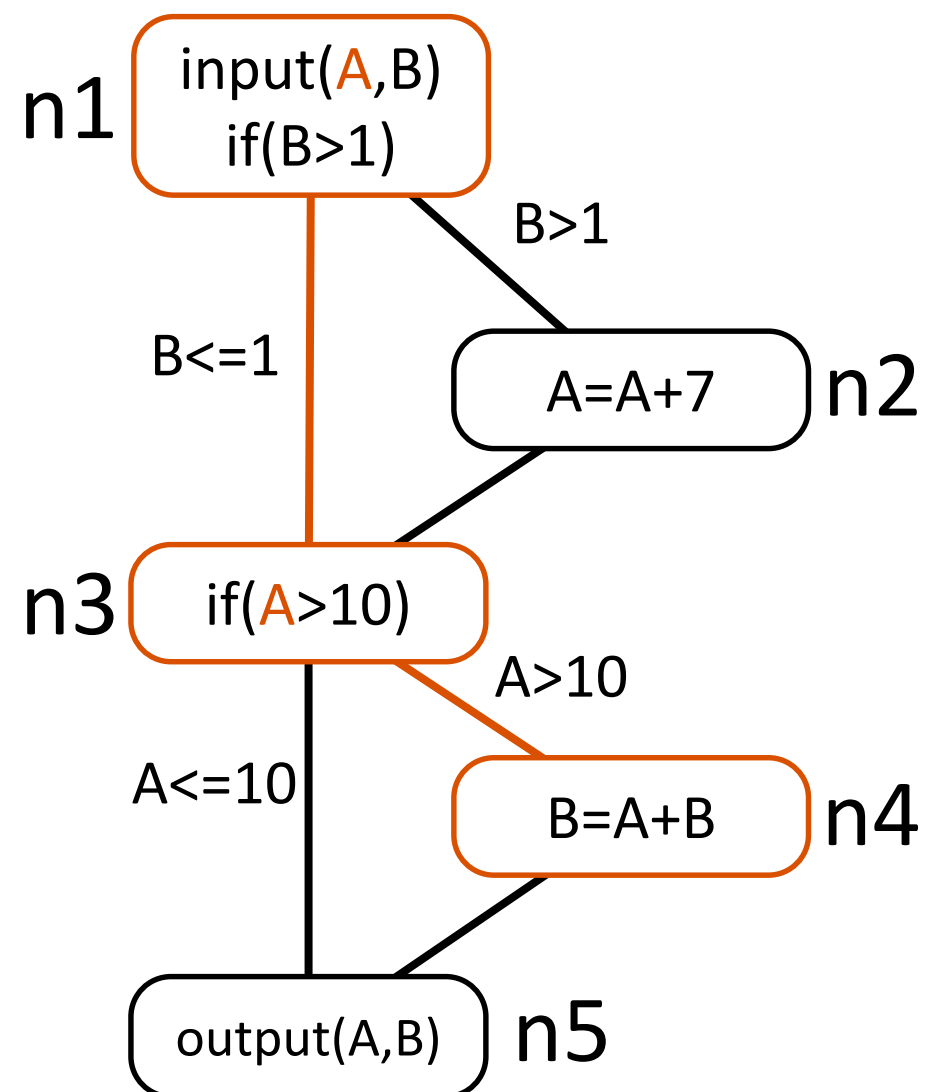
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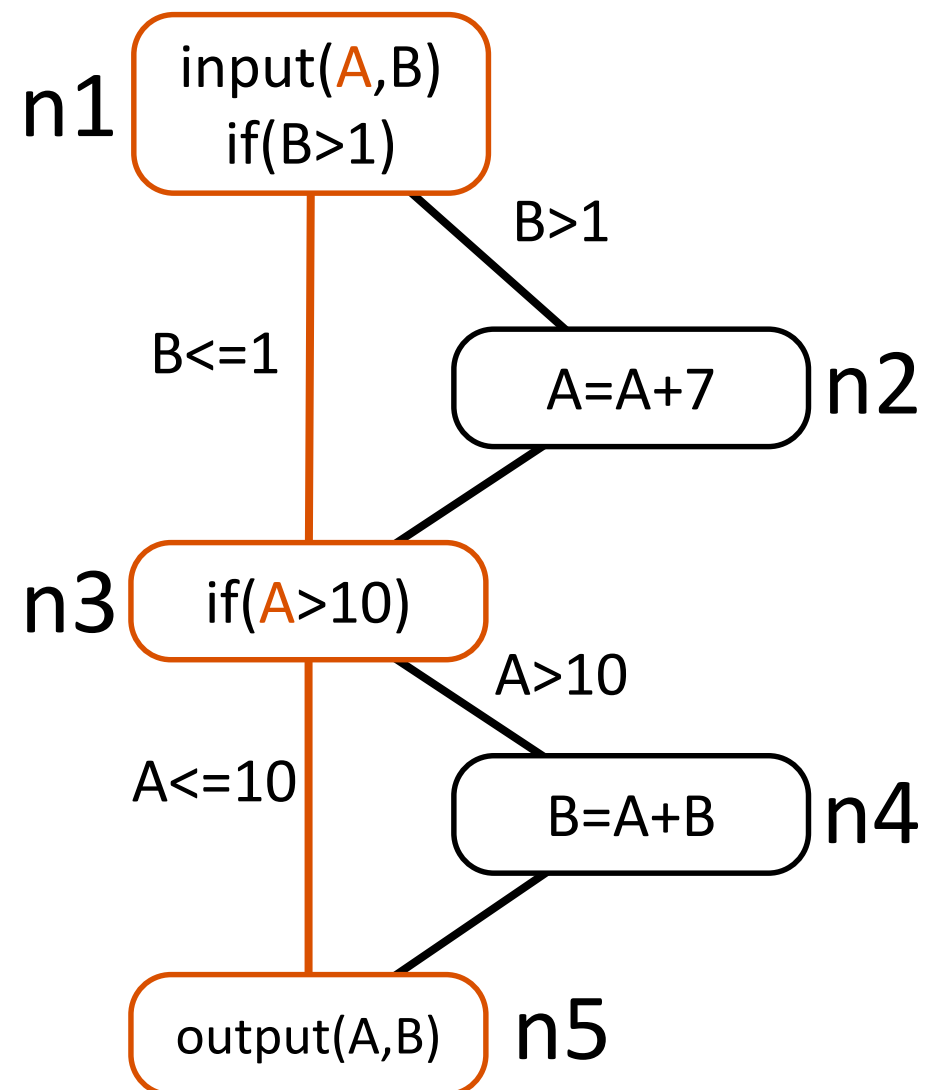
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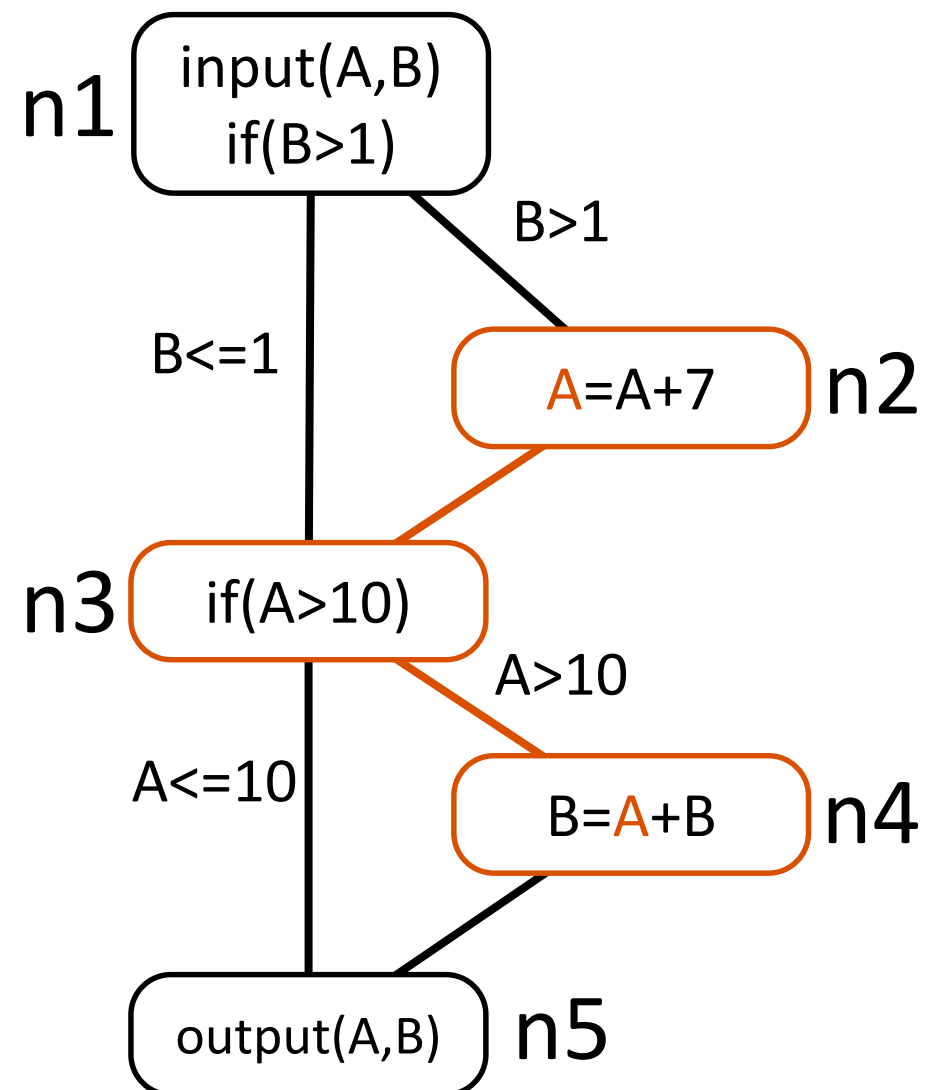
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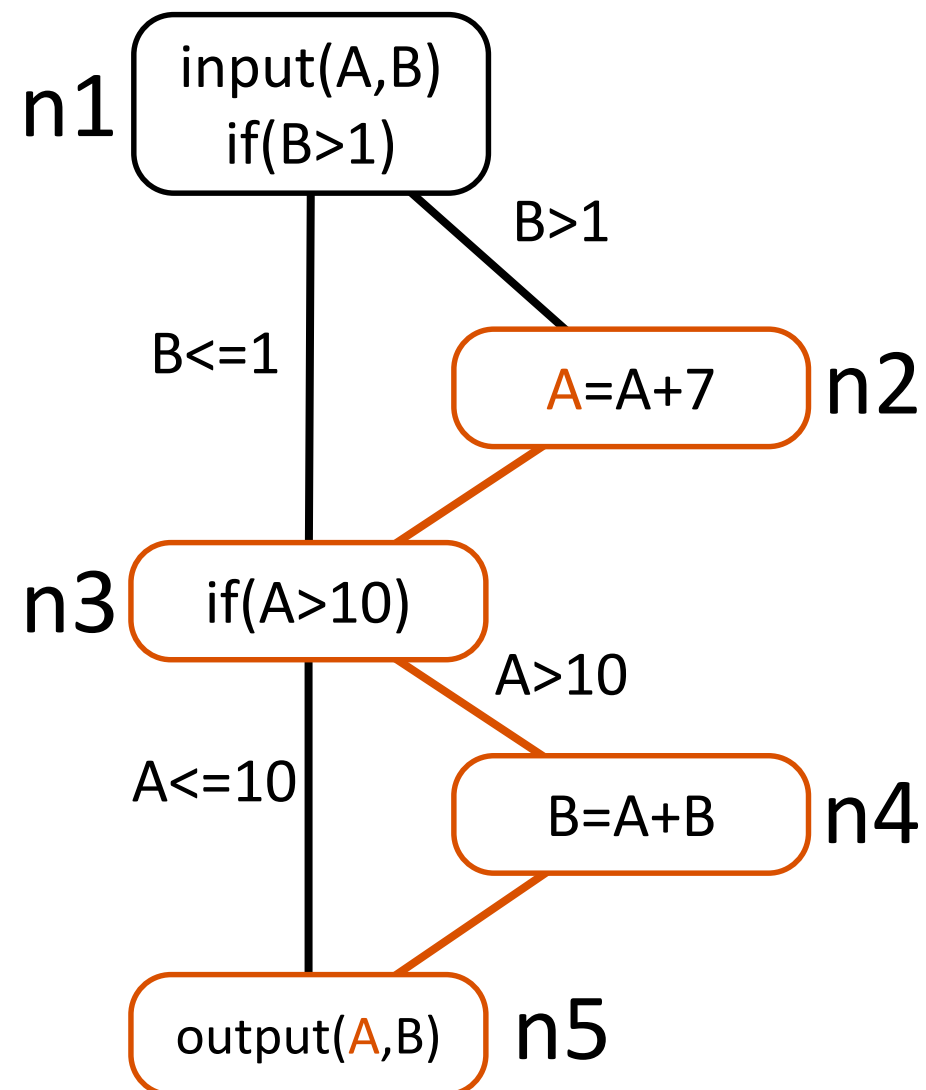
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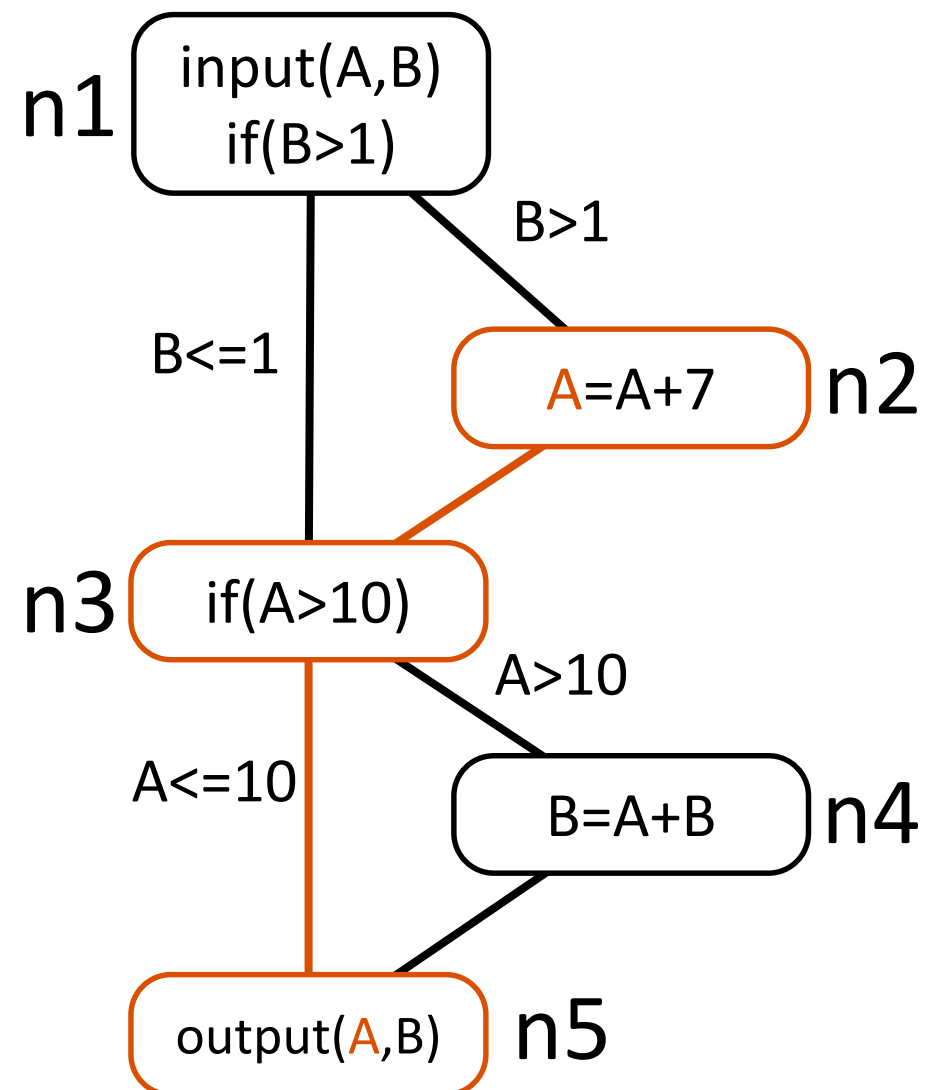
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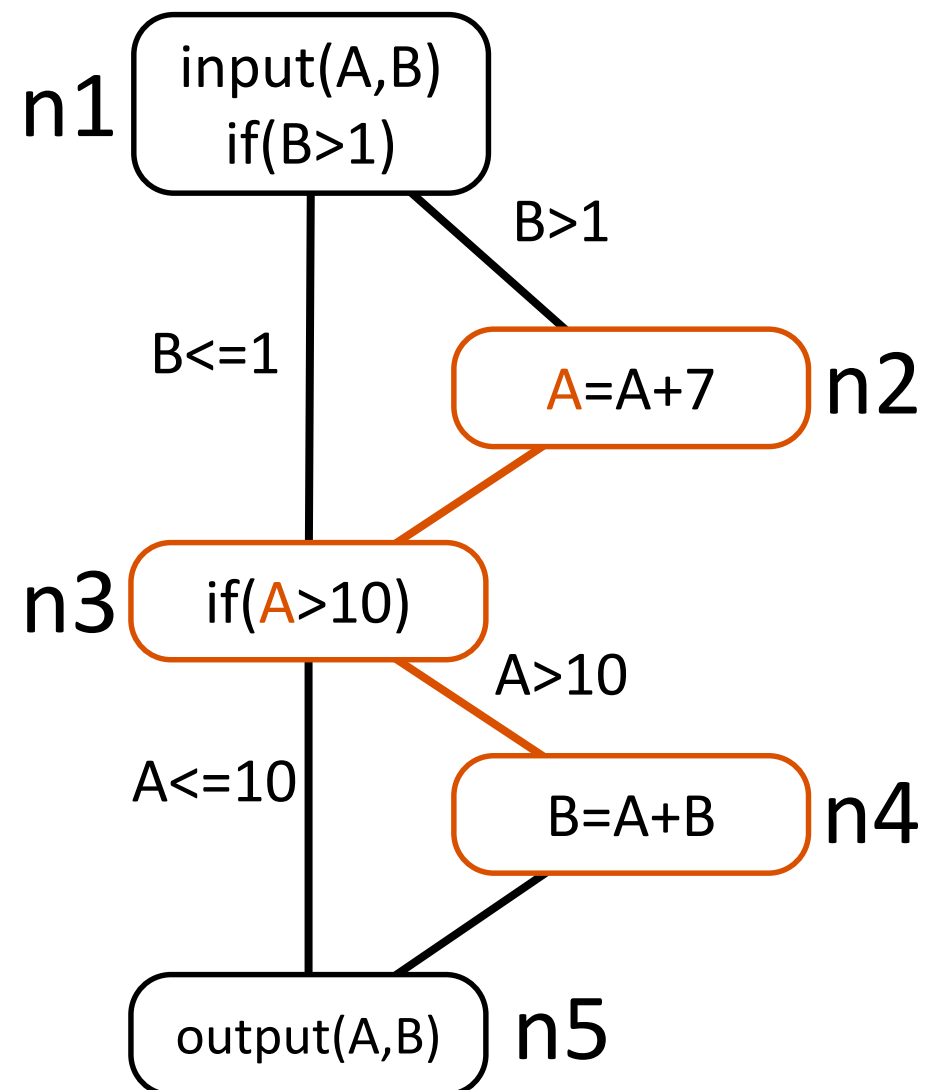
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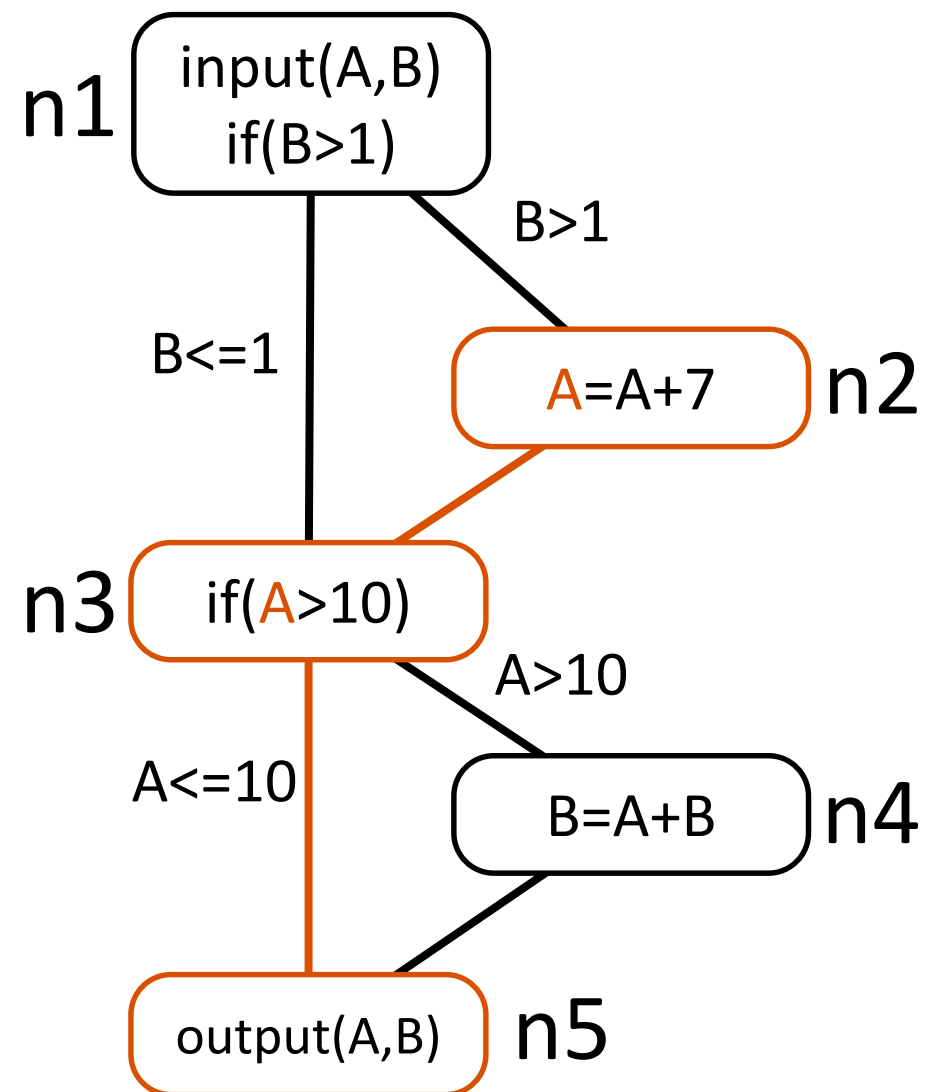
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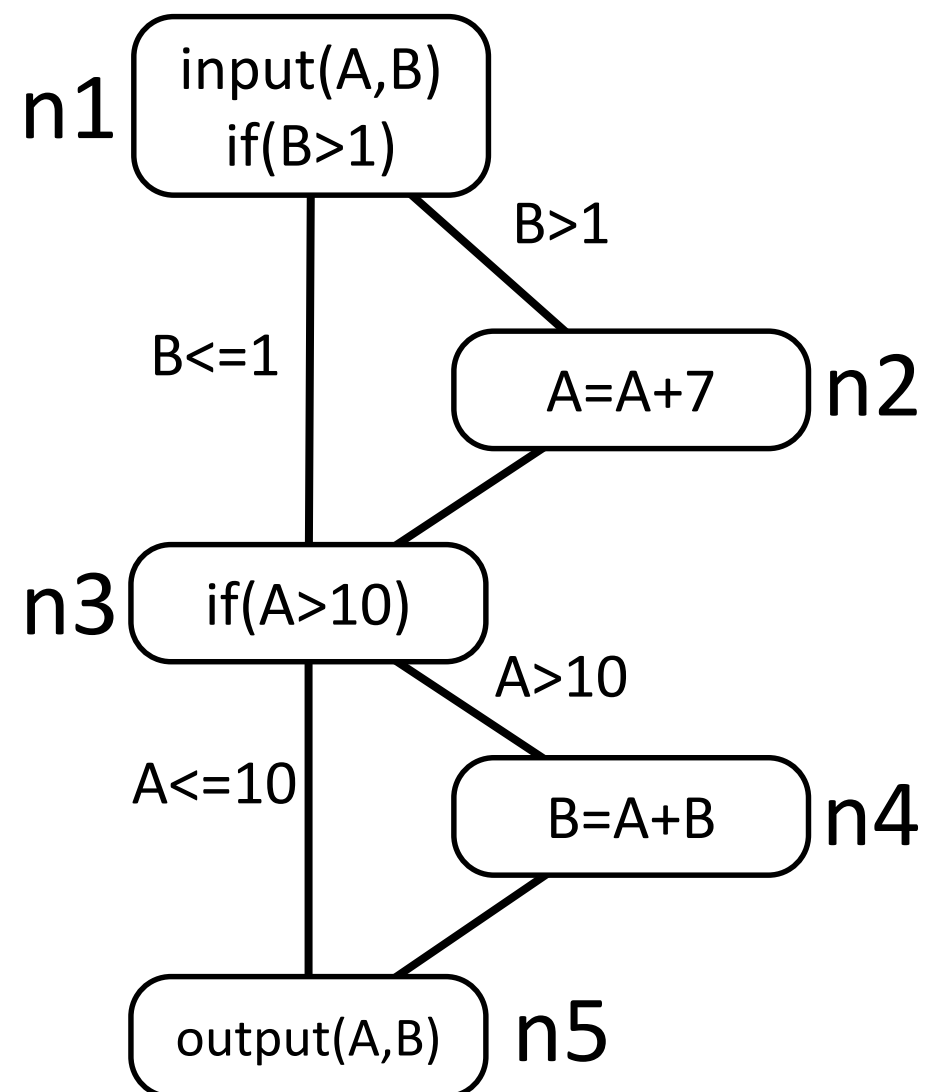
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Identifying du-pairs – variable **B**

<u>du-pair</u>	<u>path(s)</u>
(1,4)	<1,2,3,4>
	<1,3,4>
(1,5)	<1,2,3,5>
	<1,3,5>
(1,<1,2>)	<1,2>
(1,<1,3>)	<1,3>
(4,5)	<4,5>



Dataflow test coverage criteria

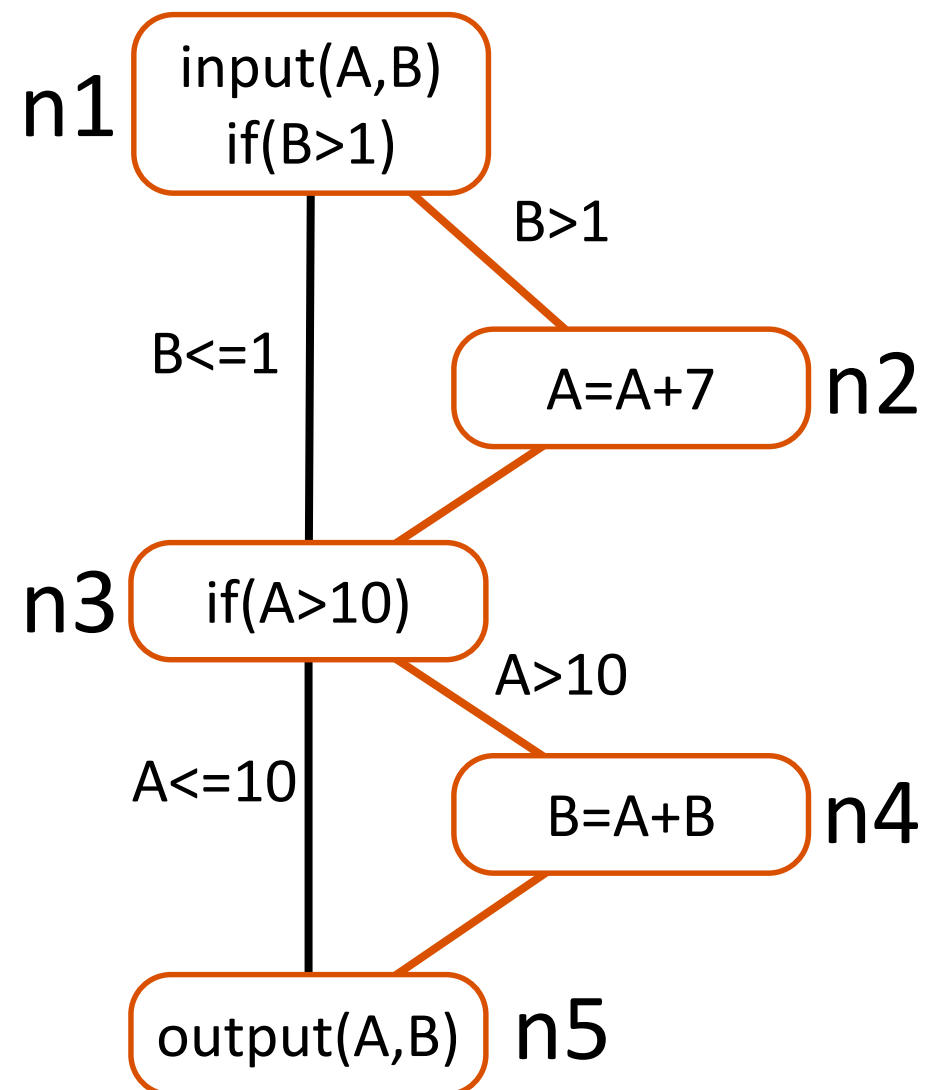
- **All-Defs**
 - for every program variable **v**, at least one def-clear path from every definition of **v** to at least one **c-use** or one **p-use** of **v** must be covered

Dataflow test coverage criteria

- Consider a test case executing path:
 - t1: <1,2,3,4,5>
- Identify all def-clear paths covered (i.e., **subsumed**) by this path for each variable
- Are all definitions for each variable associated with at least one of the subsumed def-clear paths?

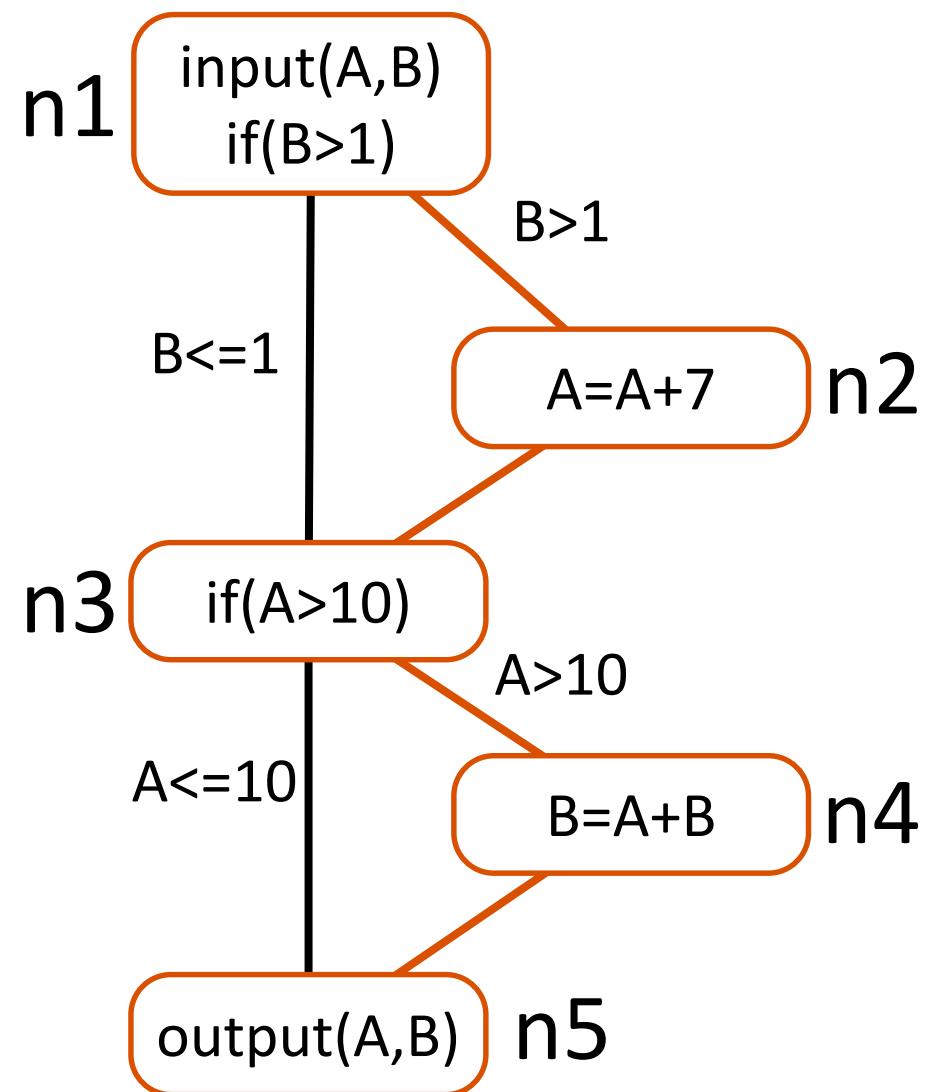
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 $\langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle$ for variable **A**

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(1, $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle$
(1, $\langle 3, 5 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle$
(2,4)	$\langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
(2,5)	$\langle 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle$ ✓
	$\langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle$
(2, $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$)	$\langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
(2, $\langle 3, 5 \rangle$)	$\langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle$



Def-clear paths subsumed by
 $\langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle$ for variable **B**

<u>du-pair</u>	<u>path(s)</u>
(1,4)	$\langle 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
	$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle$
(1,5)	$\langle 1, 2, 3, 5 \rangle$
	$\langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle$
(1, $\langle 1, 2 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 2 \rangle$ ✓
(1, $\langle 1, 3 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 3 \rangle$
(4,5)	$\langle 4, 5 \rangle$ ✓



Dataflow test coverage criteria

- Since $\langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle$ covers at least one def-clear path from every definition of **A** or **B** to at least one c-use or p-use of **A** or **B**, **All-Defs** coverage is achieved

Dataflow test coverage criteria

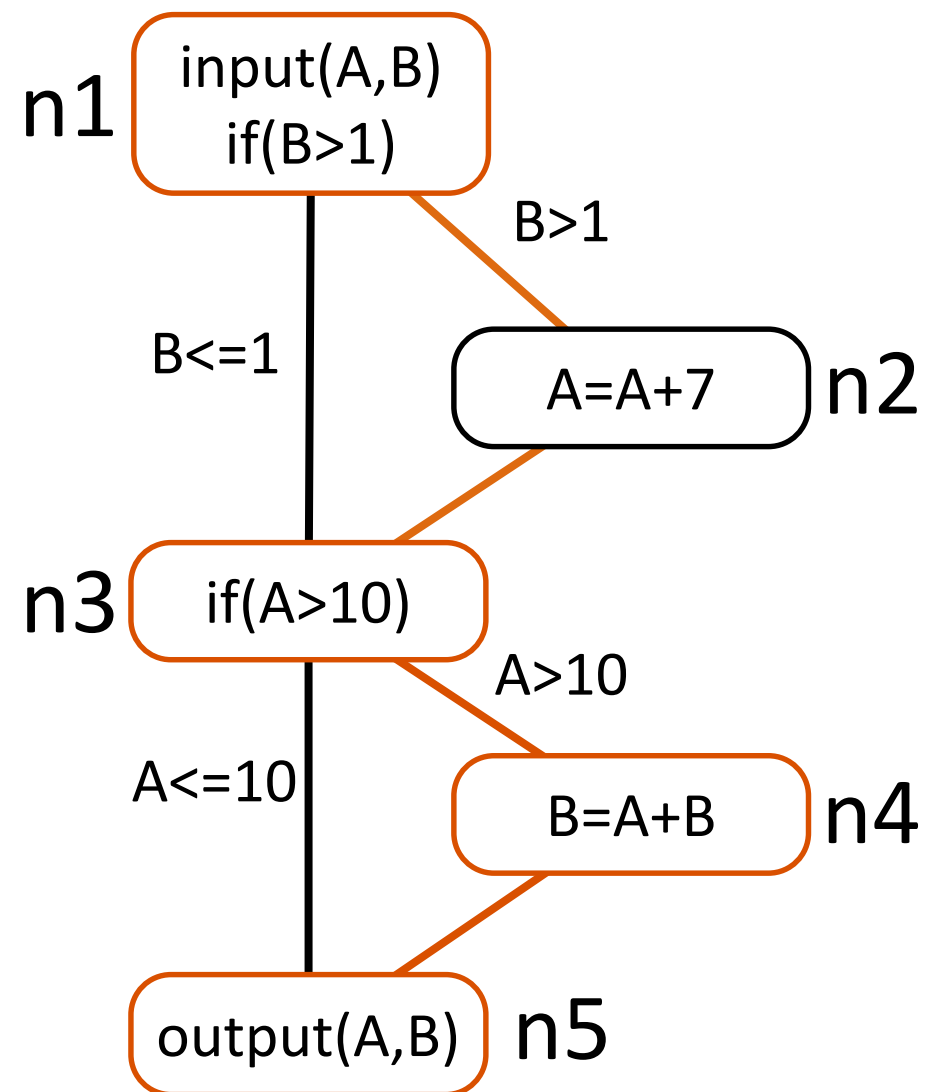
- **All-P-Uses:**
for every program variable \mathbf{v} , at least one def-clear path from every definition of \mathbf{v} to every **p-use** of \mathbf{v} must be covered
- **All-C-Uses:**
for every program variable \mathbf{v} , at least one def-clear path from every definition of \mathbf{v} to every **c-use** of \mathbf{v} must be covered

Dataflow test coverage criteria

- **All-Uses:**
 - for every program variable \mathbf{v} , at least one def-clear path from every definition of \mathbf{v} to every **c-use** and every **p-use** (including all outgoing edges of the predicate statement) of \mathbf{v} must be covered
 - Requires that all **du-pairs** covered
- Consider the test cases executing paths:
 - t1: <1,2,3,4,5>
 - t2: <1,3,4,5>
 - t3: <1,2,3,5>
- Do all three test cases provide All-Uses coverage?

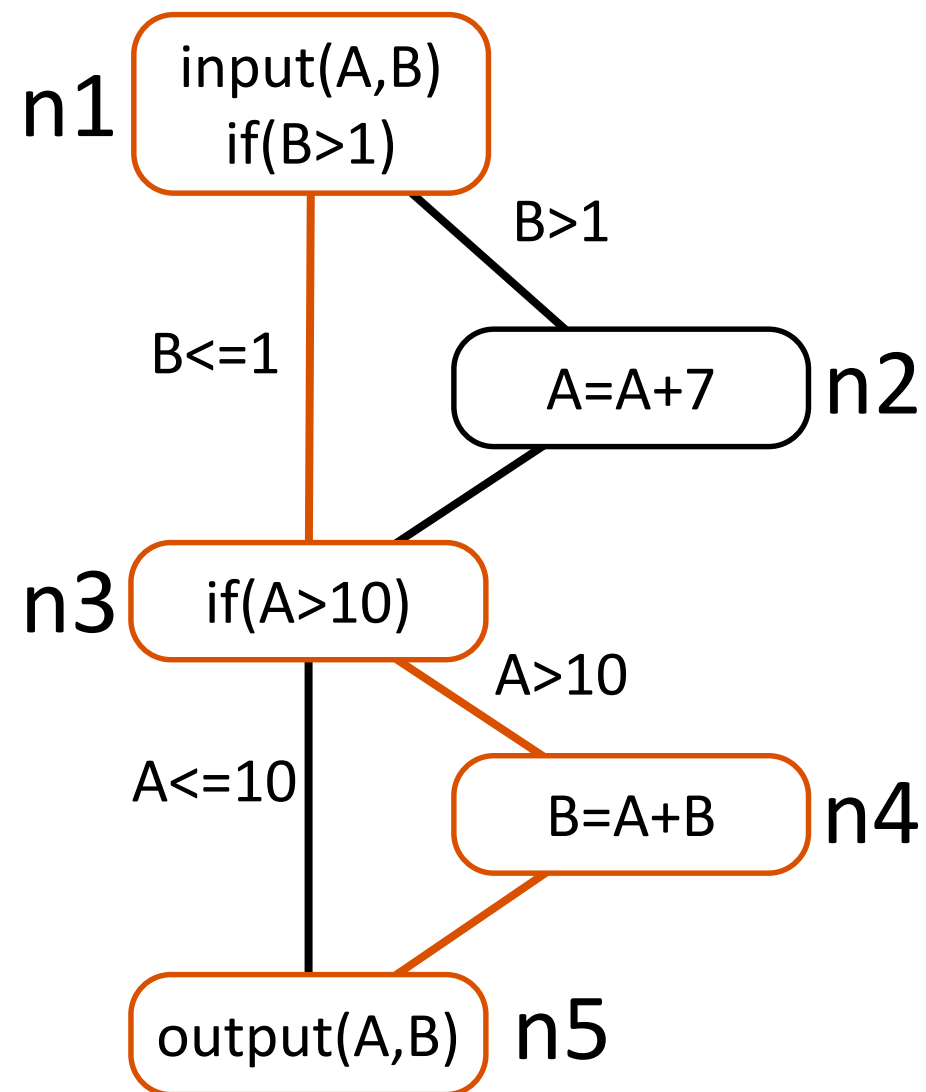
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(1,5)	$\langle 1, 3, 4, 5 \rangle$
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(1, $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle$
(1, $\langle 3, 5 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle$
(2,4)	$\langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
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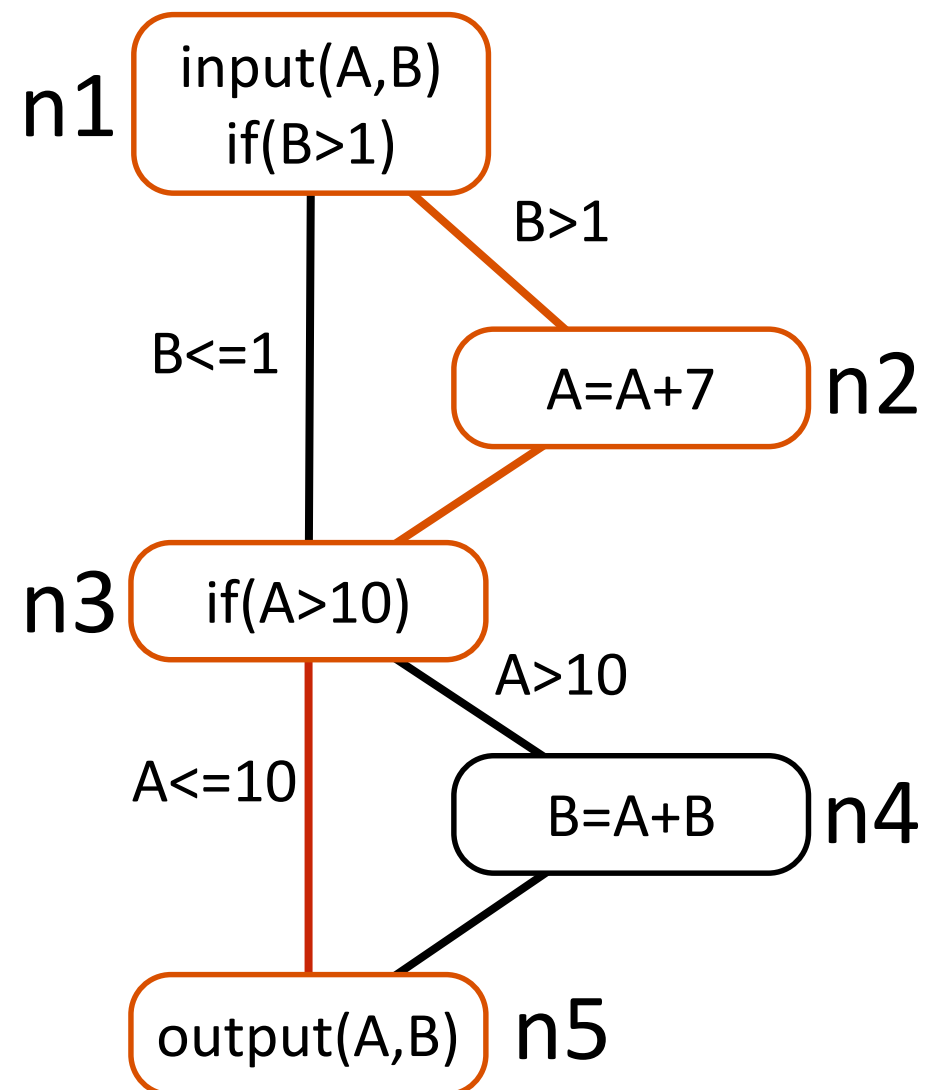
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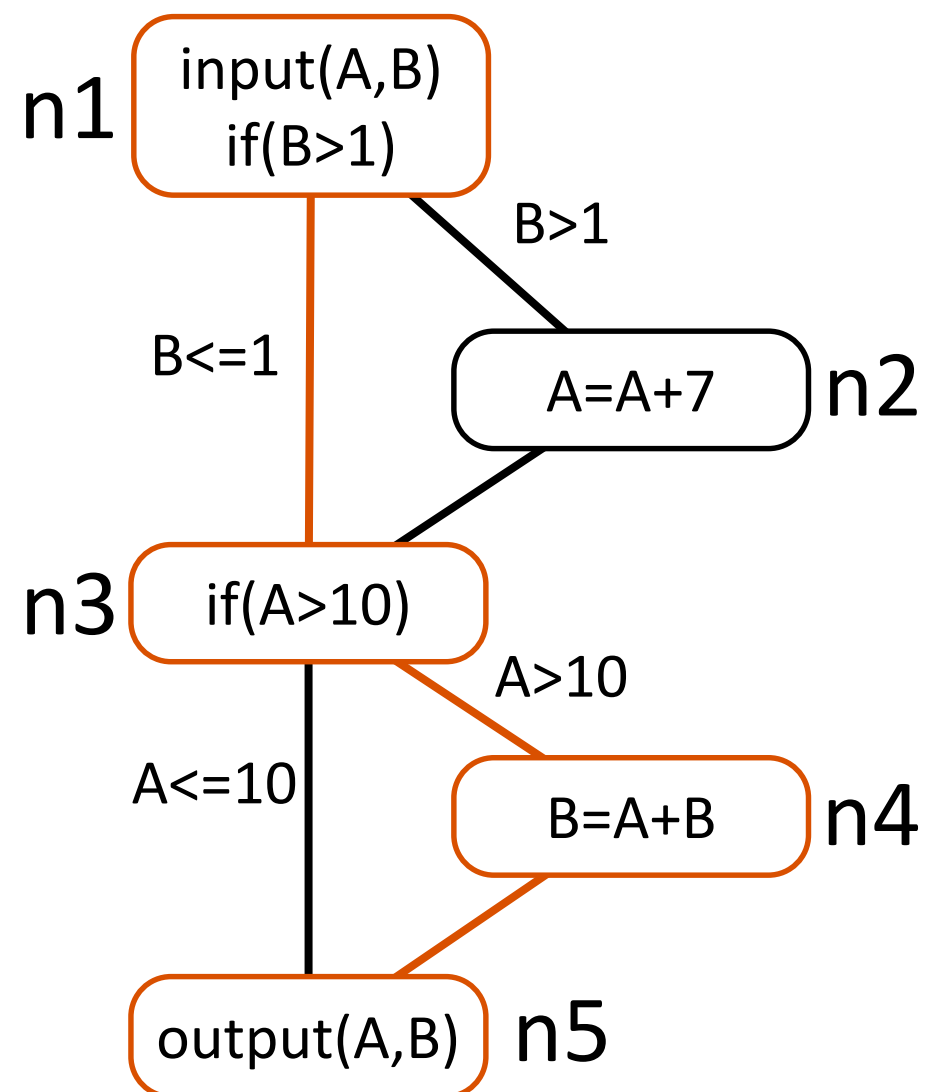
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(1,4)	$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
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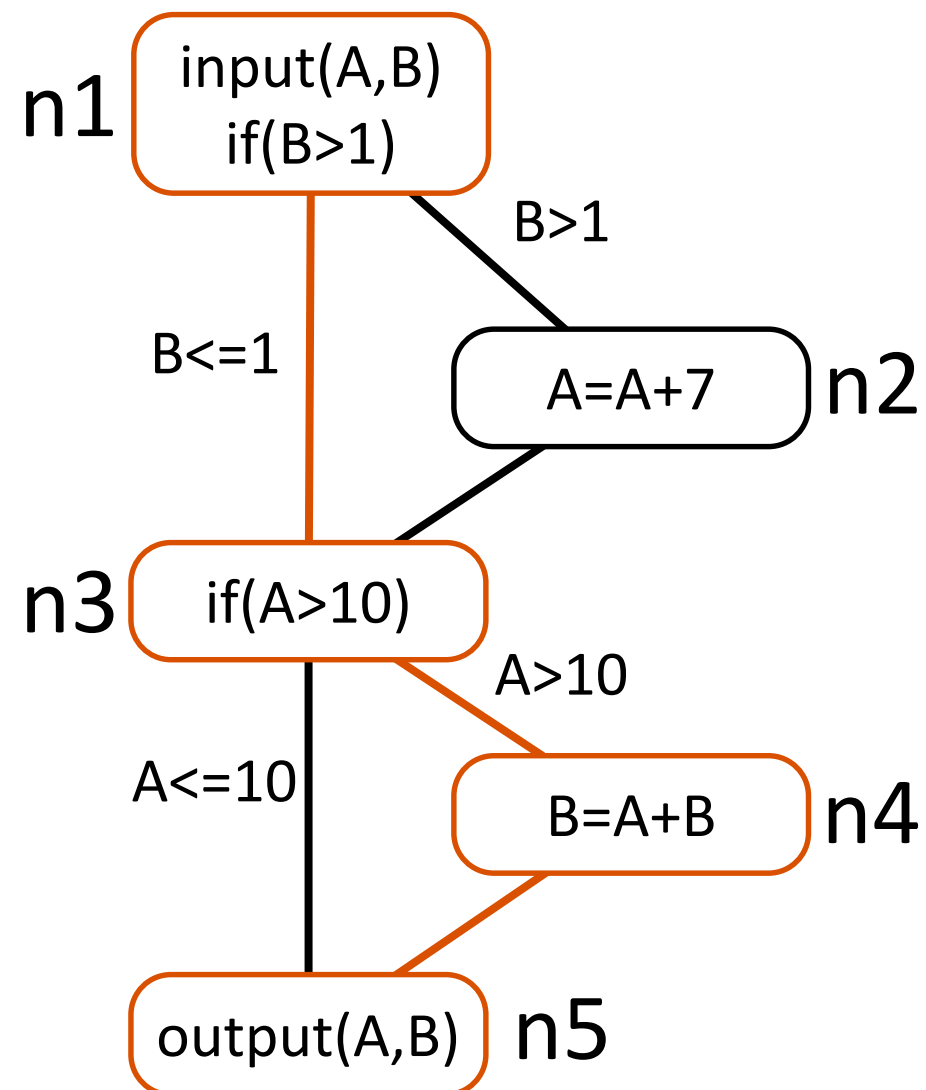
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(1,5)	$\langle 1, 2, 3, 5 \rangle$
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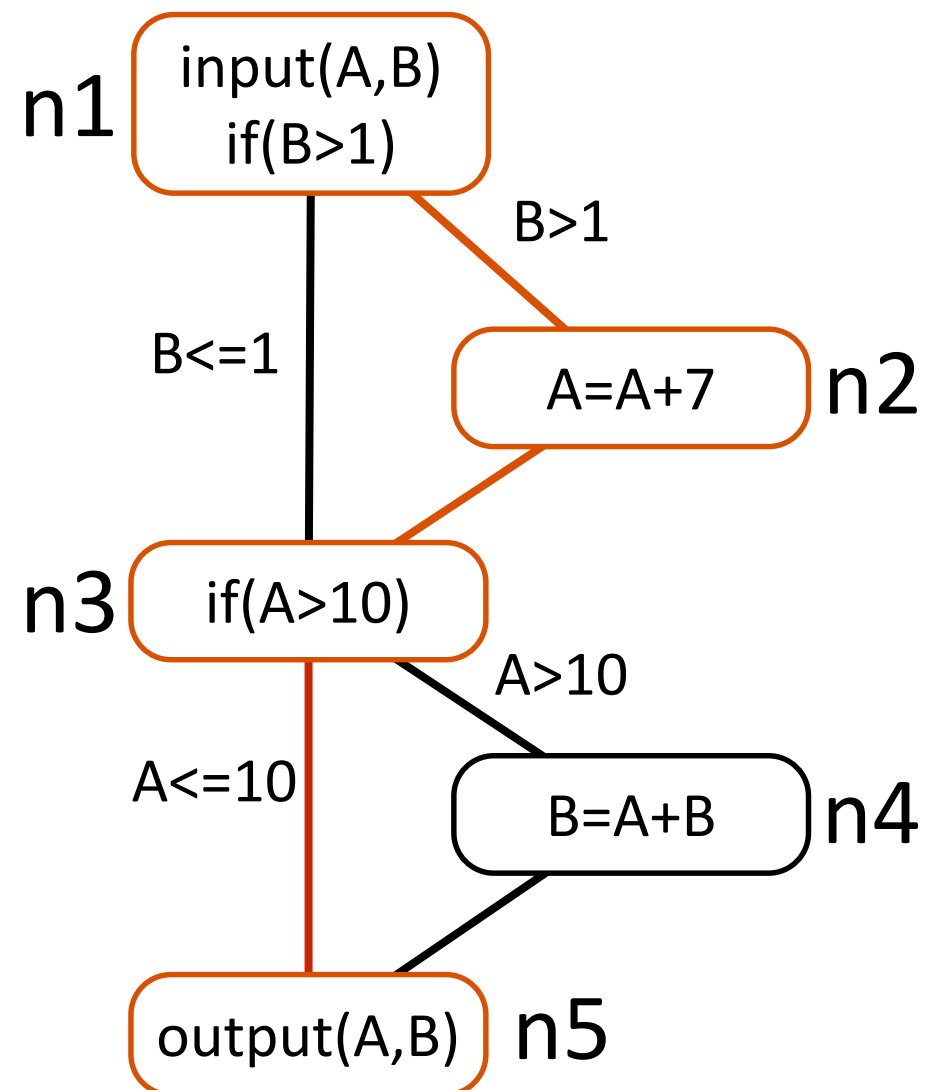
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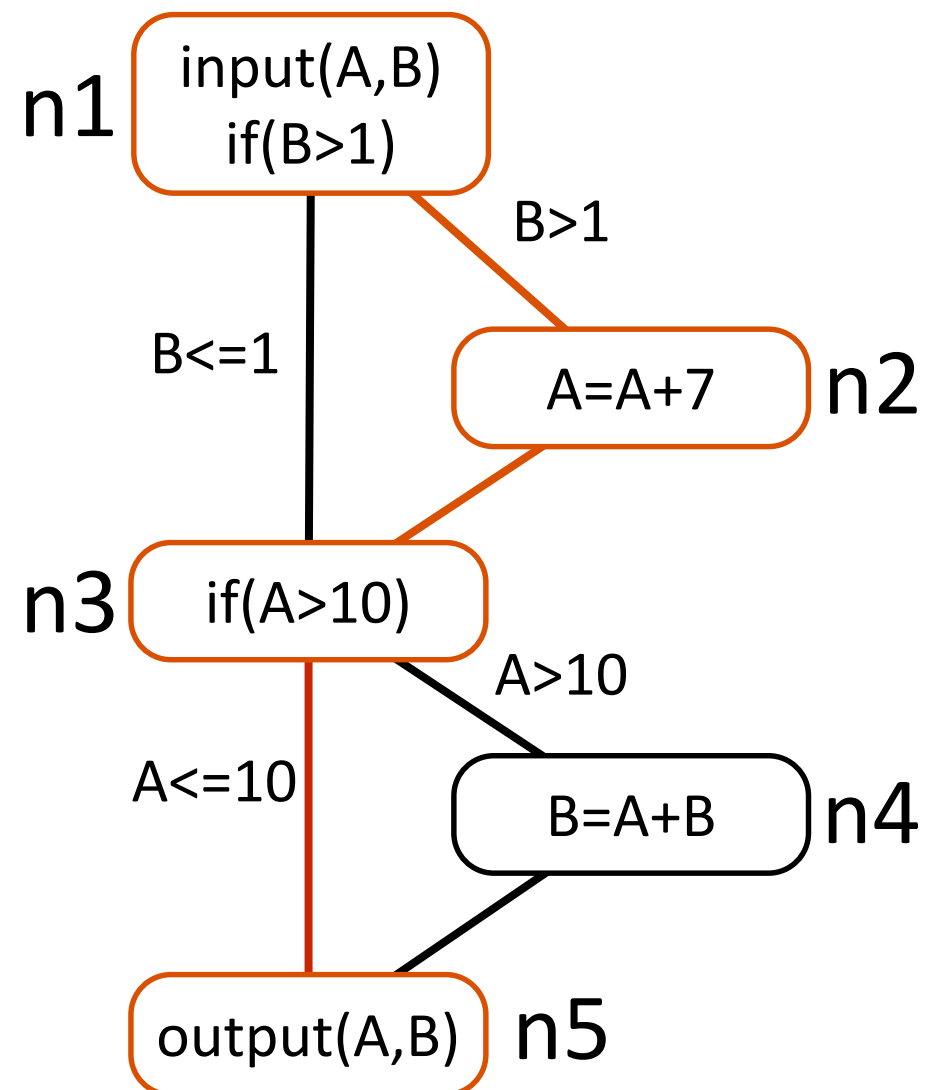
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(1,4)	$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
(1,5)	$\langle 1, 3, 4, 5 \rangle$ ✓
	$\langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle$
(1, $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
(1, $\langle 3, 5 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle$
(2,4)	$\langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
(2,5)	$\langle 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle$ ✓
	$\langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle$ ✓
(2, $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$)	$\langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
(2, $\langle 3, 5 \rangle$)	$\langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle$ ✓



Def-clear paths subsumed by $\langle 1, 2, 3, 5 \rangle$
for variable **B**

<u>du-pair</u>	<u>path(s)</u>
(1,4)	$\langle 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
	$\langle 1, 3, 4 \rangle$ ✓
(1,5)	$\langle 1, 2, 3, 5 \rangle$ ✓
	$\langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle$
(1, $\langle 1, 2 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 2 \rangle$ ✓ ✓
(1, $\langle 1, 3 \rangle$)	$\langle 1, 3 \rangle$ ✓
(4,5)	$\langle 4, 5 \rangle$ ✓ ✓



Dataflow test coverage criteria

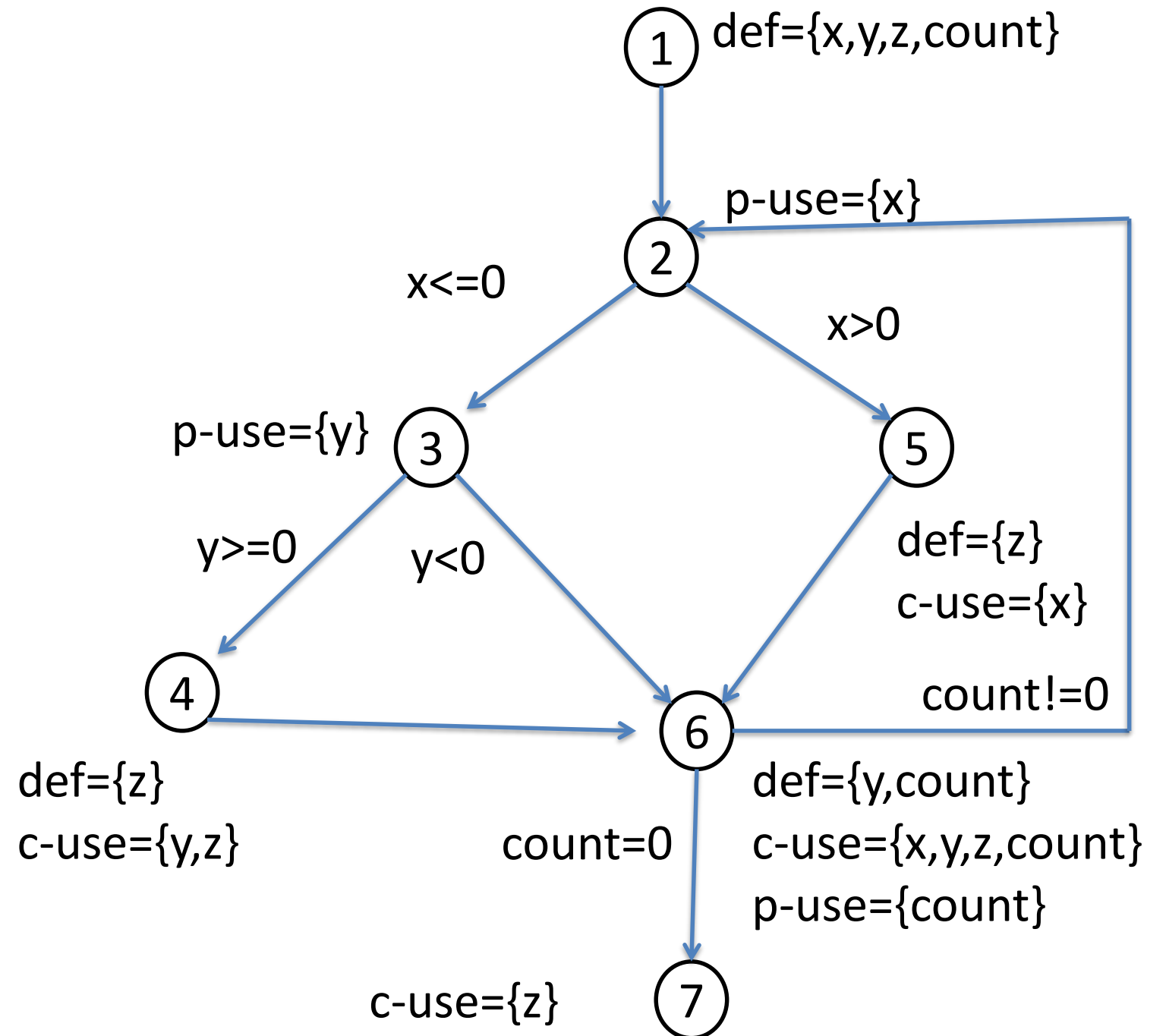
- None of the three test cases covers the du-pair $(1, \langle 3, 5 \rangle)$ for variable **A**,
- **All-Uses** Coverage is not achieved

```

1 begin
2   float x,y,z=0.0;
3   int count;
4   input(x,y,count);
5   do{
6     if(x≤0) {
7       if(y≥0) {
8         z=y*z+1;
9       }
10    }
11    else{
12      z=1/x;
13    }
14    y=x*y+z;
15    count=count-1;}
16  while(count>0)
17  output(z);
18 end

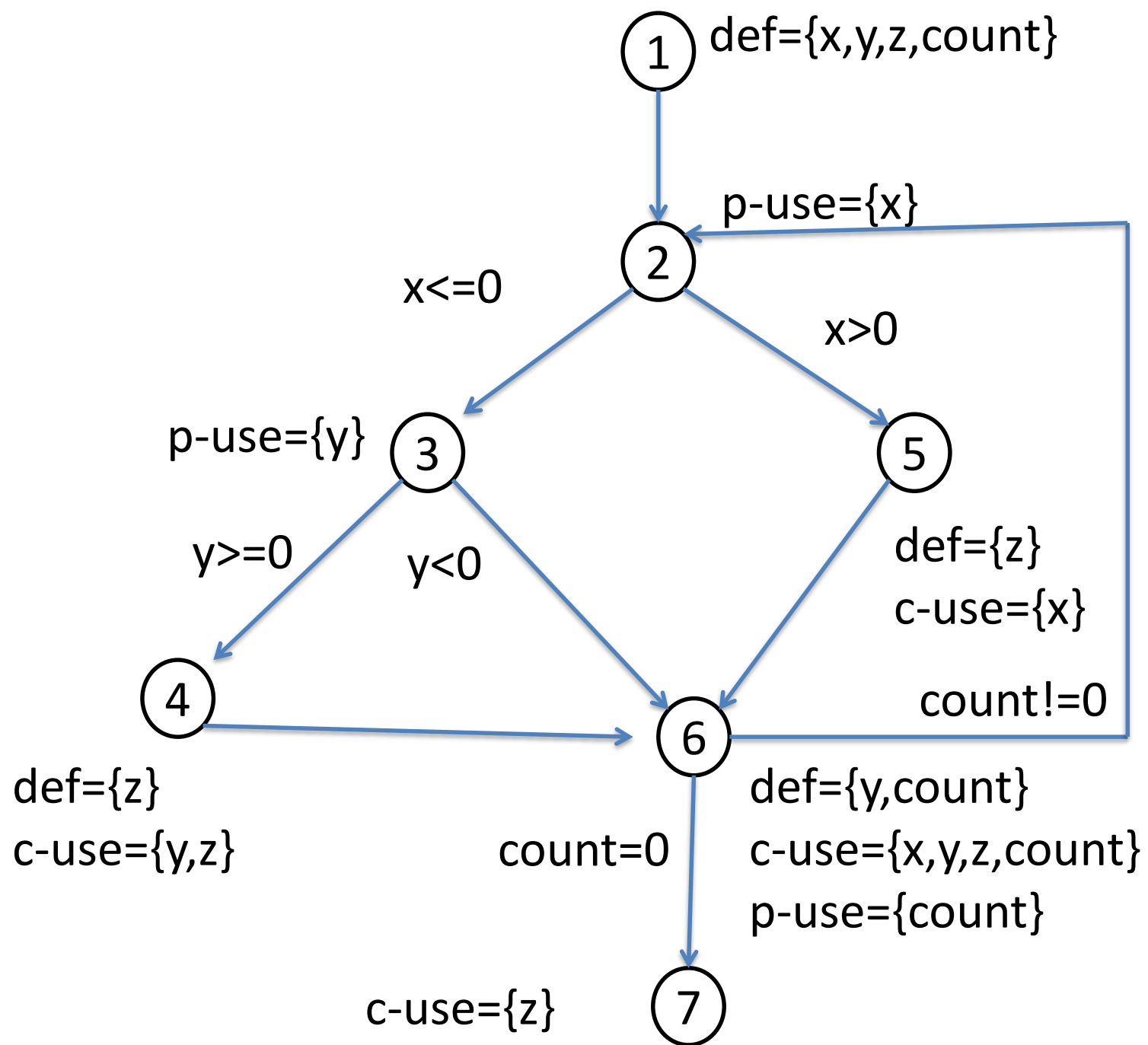
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Another Example

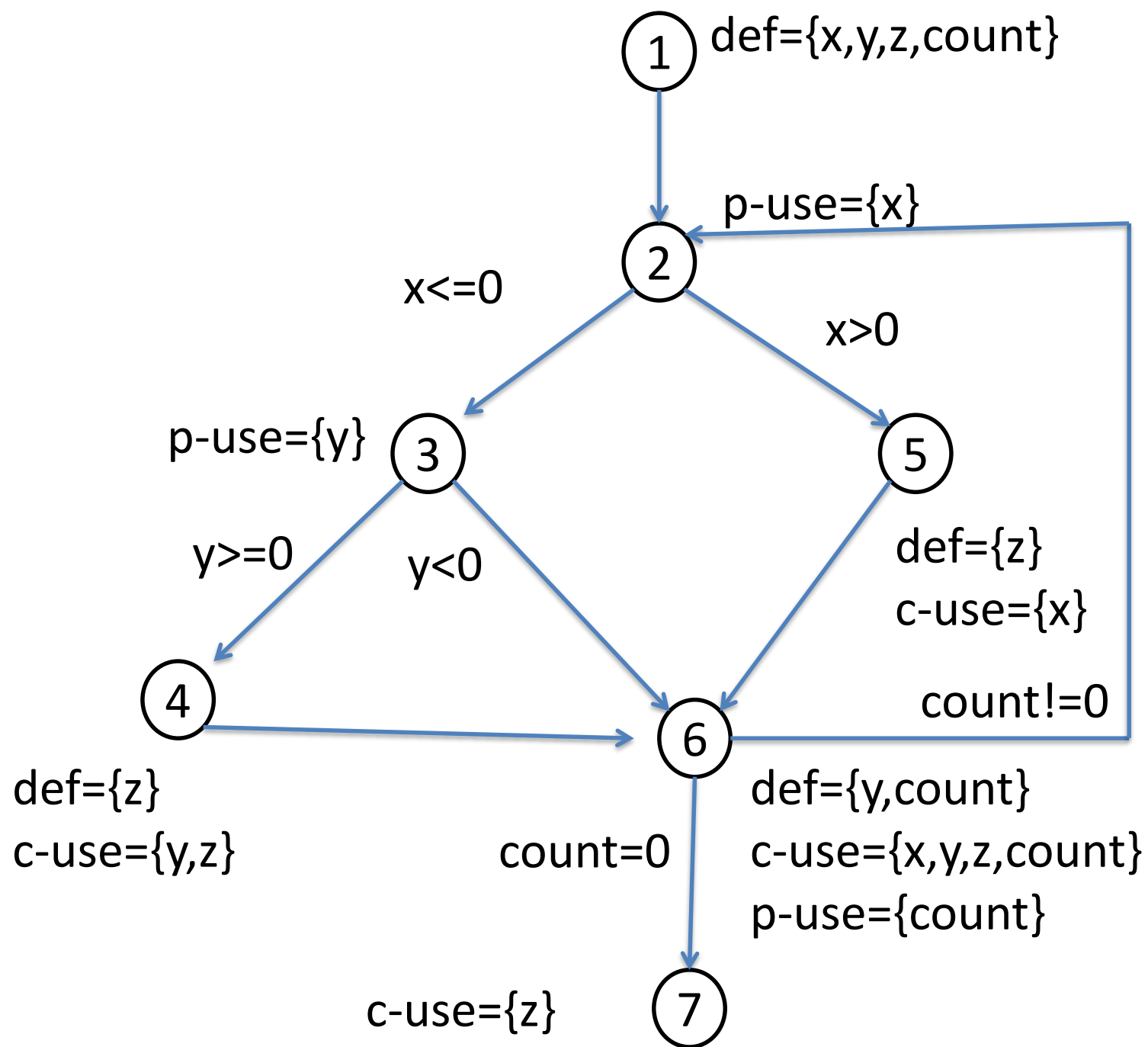


Some Notations

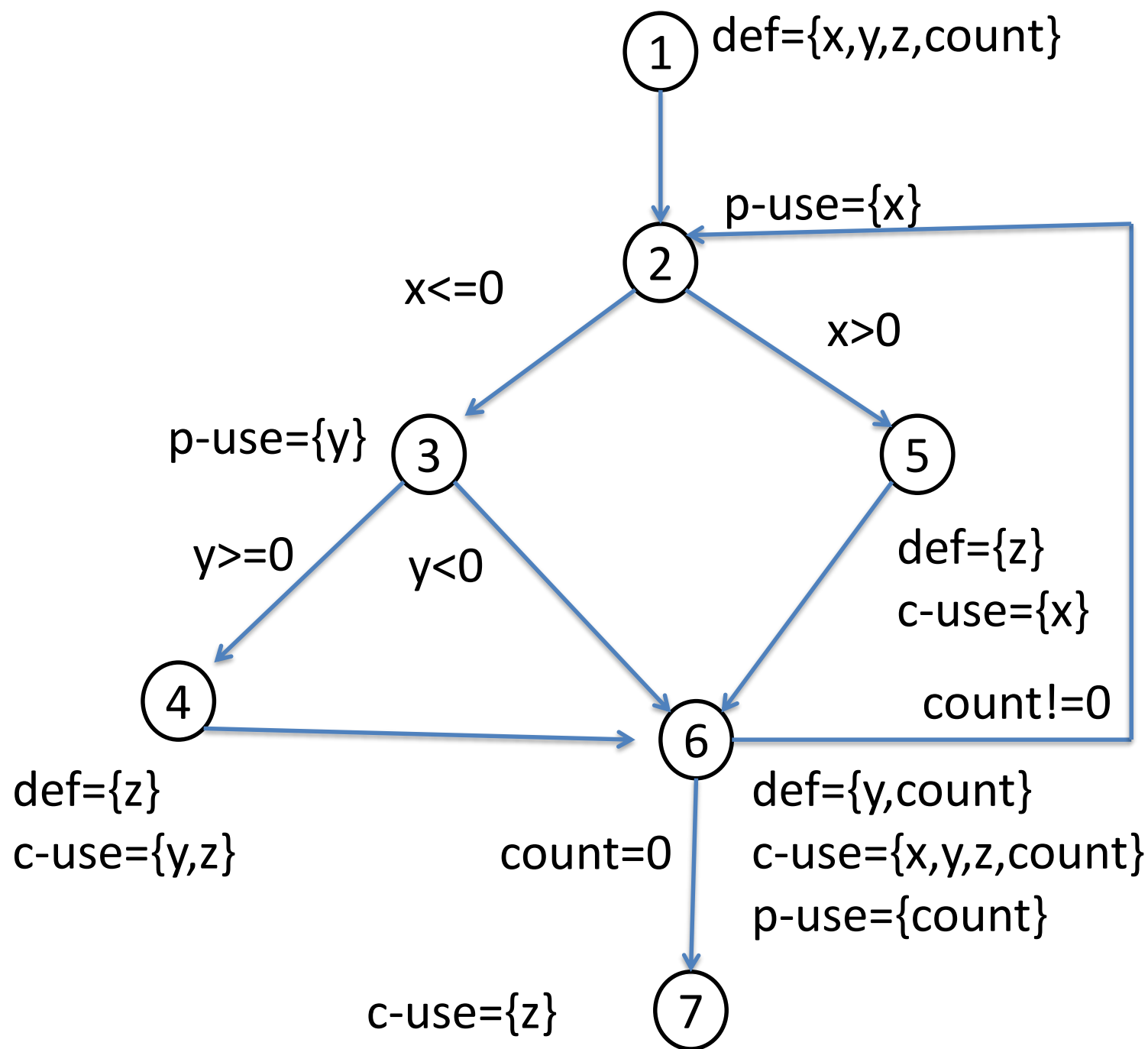
- $d_i(x)$: The definition of variable x in node i
- $u_i(x)$: The use of variable x in node i
- $dcu(d_i(x))$: The set of c-uses with respect to $d_i(x)$.
 - $dcu(d_i(x))$ is also denoted as $dcu(x,i)$
- $dpu(d_i(x))$: The set of p-uses with respect to $d_i(x)$.
 - $dpu(d_i(x))$ is also denoted as $dpu(x,i)$



Variable v	Note n	dcu(v,n)	dpu(v,n)
x	1	{5,6}	{(2,3),(2,5)}
y	1	{4,6}	{(3,4),(3,6)}
...



- $\text{dcu}(y,1)=\{4,6\}$, $\text{dcu}(z,1)=\{4,6,7\}$
- $\text{dcu}(z,1)$ subsumes $\text{dcu}(y,1)$



$$CU = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{d_i} |dcu(v_i, n_j)|$$

$$PU = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{d_i} |dpu(v_i, n_j)|$$

- $n=4, d1=1, d2=2, d3=3, d4=2$
- The size of All-C-Uses (CU): 17
- The size of All-P-Uses (PU): 10

```

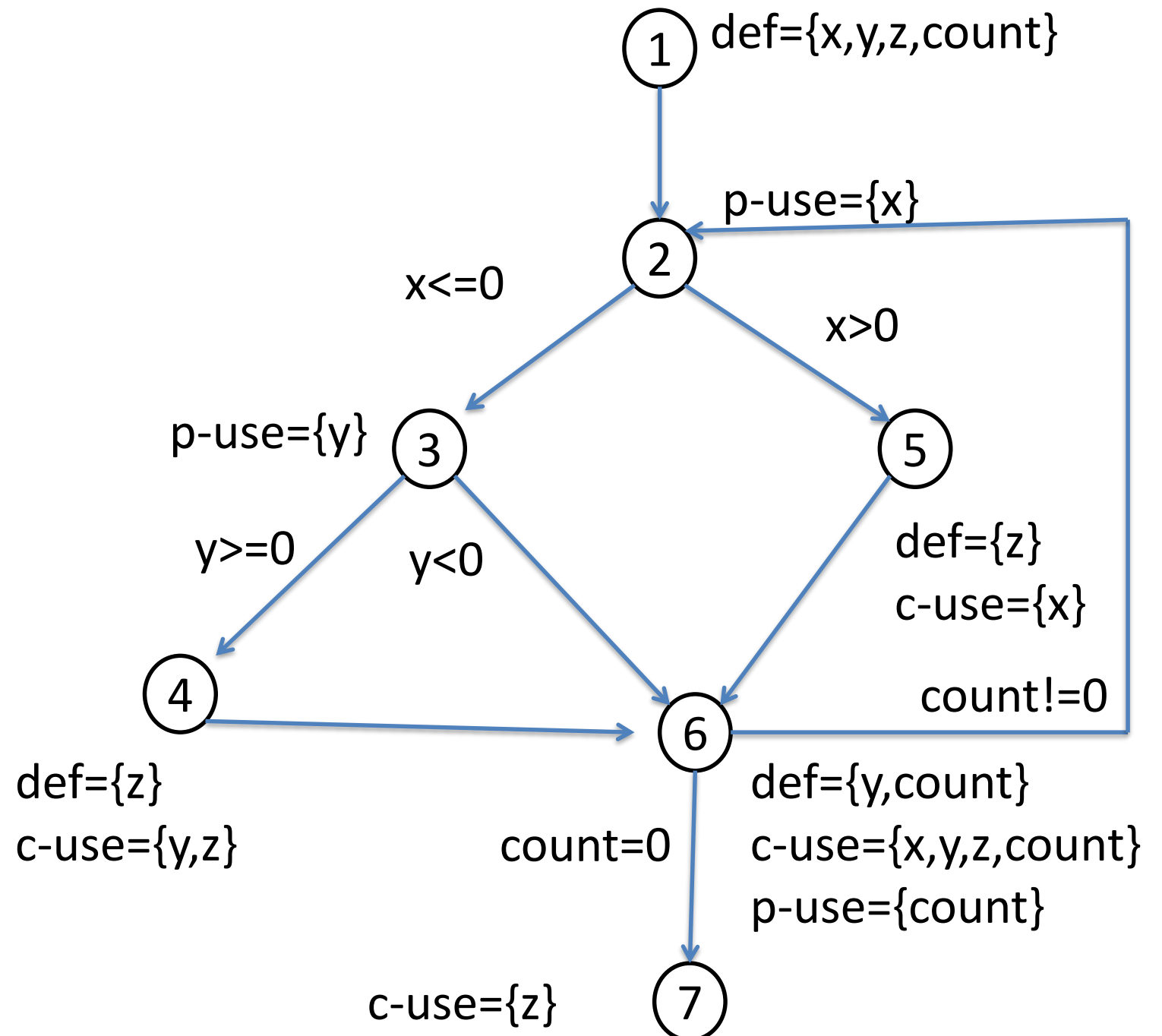
1 begin
2   float x,y,z=0.0;
3   int count;
4   input(x,y,count);
5   do{
6     if(x≤0) {
7       if(y≥0) {
8         z=y*z+1;
9       }
10    }
11    else{
12      z=1/x;
13    }
14    y=x*y+z;
15    count=count-1;
16    while(count>0)
17      output(z);
18  end

```

Test Case t: <x=5,y=-1, count=1>

Path: 1-2-5-6-7

- **C-uses (achieved by this test case): 6**
- **All-C-Uses (CU): 17**
- **C-use Coverage: 6/17<1**

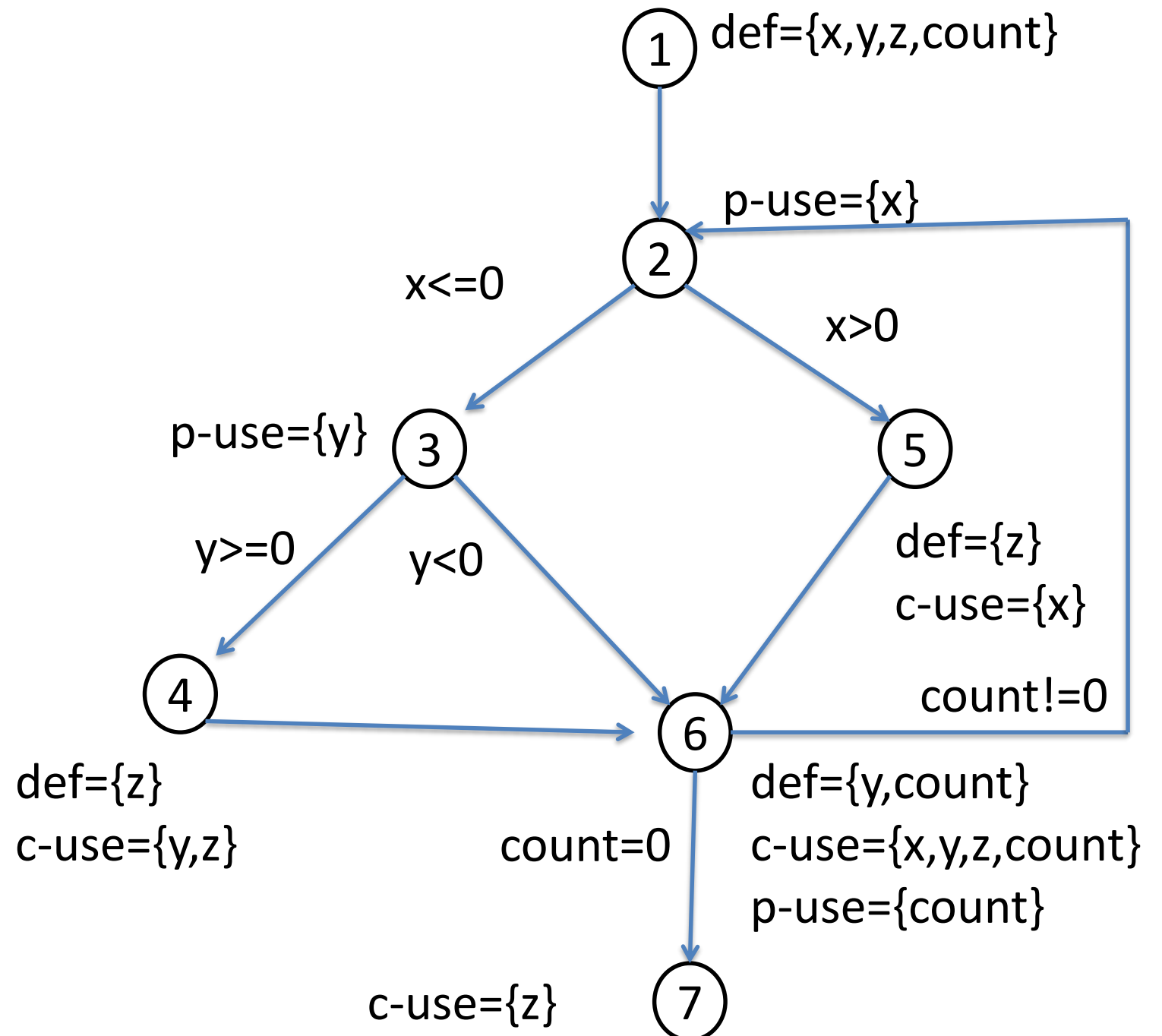


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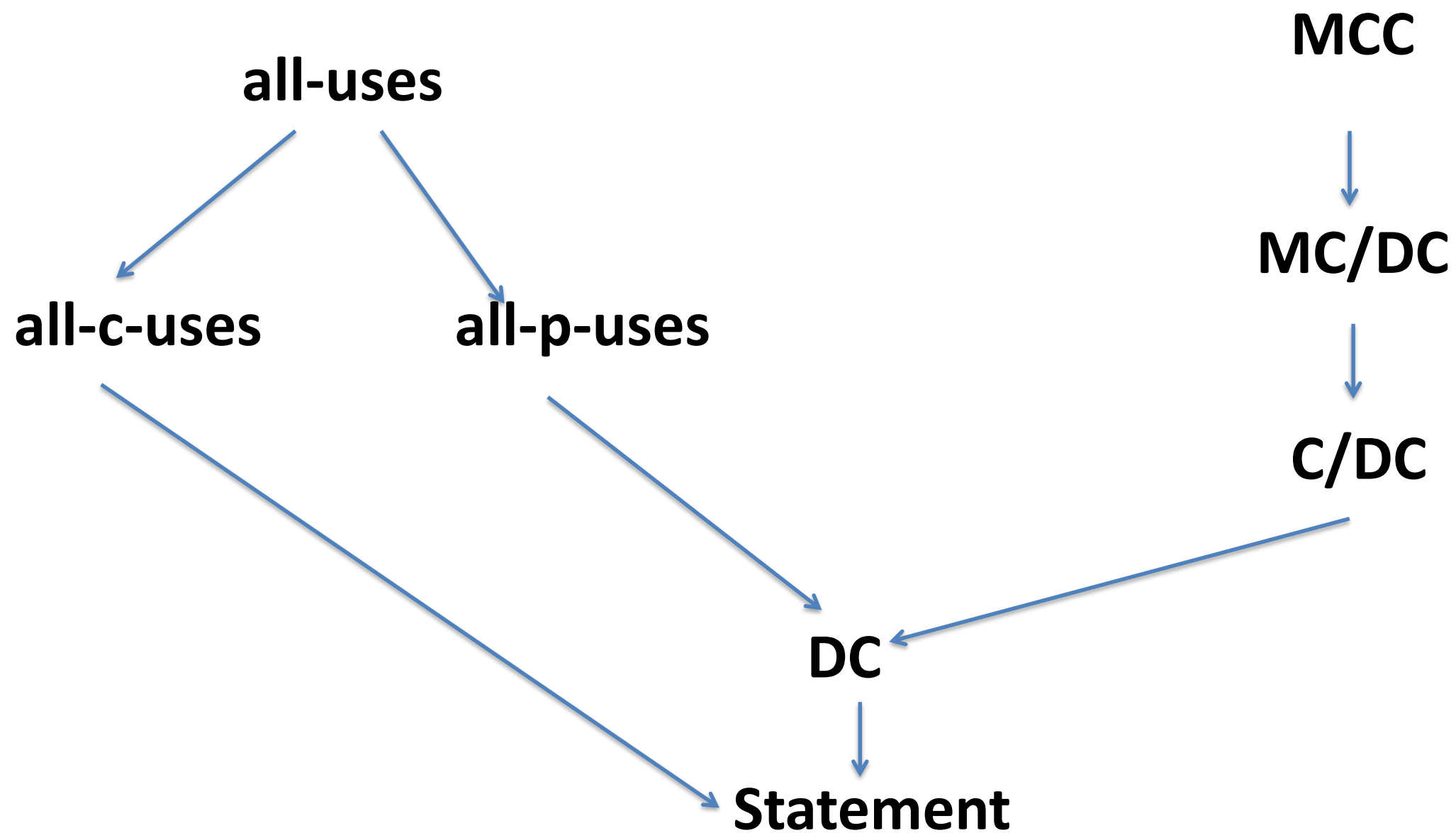
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3   int count;
4   input(x,y,count);
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```

- $T:\{t1:\langle x=5,y=-1,count=1\rangle,t2:\langle x=-2,y=-1,count=3\rangle\}$
t1 path: 1-2-5-6-7
t2 path: 1-2-3-6₁-2-3-4-6₂-2-3-6₃-7
- P-use coverage: 100%



Relationships among some of the coverage criteria



Quiz

```
1 begin
2   int x,y; float z;
3   input(x,y);
4   z=0;
5   if(x!=0)
6     z=z+y;
7   else z=z-y;
8   if(y!=0) //should be y!=0 and x!=0
9     z=z/x;
10  else z=z*x;
11  output(z);
12 end
```

- How to achieve All-Uses coverage?

Test case	x	y	z
t1	0	0	0.0
t2	1	1	1.0
..

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