CS738: Advanced Compiler Optimizations Mid Semester Examination, 2017-18 I

Max Time: 2 Hours Max Marks: 100

NOTE:

- There are total 4 questions on 3 pages
- No explanations will be provided. In case of a doubt, make suitable assumptions and justify.
- Presenting your answers properly is your responsibility. You lose credit if you can not present your ideas clearly, and in proper form. Please DO NOT come back for re-evaluation saying, "What I actually meant was ...".
- Be precise and write clearly. Remember that somebody has to read it to evaluate!
- 1. Consider a flow graph G with a unique entry node ENTRY that dominates all nodes of G. Prove that every node in G except ENTRY has a unique *immediate dominator*. The immediate dominator of a node n is the *closest strict dominator* of n. [10]
 - Every node except ENTRY has at least one strict dominator. Consider a node Z that has more than one strict dominators. Consider two such dominators X and Y. Then, it can be proved that either X dominates Y or Y dominates X (*proof below). Thus, it possible to find *least* element among all strict dominators of Z. This element is the desired immediate dominator.
 - * Consider a cycle free path from ENTRY→Z. Because both X and Y strictly dominate Z, they must occur on this path. WLOG, assume that X occurs before Y in this path. Thus the path is: Entry → X → Y → Z. We will prove that X must dominate Y.

Assume the contrary (X does not dominate Y). Then, we have a path Entry \Rightarrow Y free of X. But then, Entry \Rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z is a path to Z free of X. But that also contradicts the fact that X dominates Z.

- 2. The original definition of Dominance Frontier (df) is: A node m is in df(n) if
 - (a) n dominates a predecessor of m in the flow graph, and
 - (b) n does not strictly dominate m

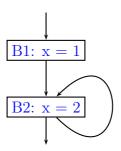
Dr Dominoz thinks the following modified definition of df(n) is equivalent as far as computation of SSA form is concerned: A node m is in df(n) if

- (a) n dominates a predecessor of m in the flow graph, and
- (b) n does not dominate m

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i.e., Dr Dominoz has dropped the term "strictly" from the definition.

You jobs is to either **prove that Dr Dominoz is right** or show that he is **wrong**, **by giving a counter example**. The proof must work for any arbitrary CFG, while the counter example must show an incorrect SSA form being generated for a CFG.[10] Counter Example:



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For Original definition: Dominance Frontier of B1 = \emptyset Dominance Frontier of B2 = \{B2\} Def(x) = \{B1, B2\} DF^1 = \{B2\} so we will insert \phi-statement in block B2.
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For Modified definition:

Dominance Frontier of B1 = \emptyset

Dominance Frontier of B2 = \emptyset

Def(x) = \{B1, B2\}

DF^1 = \emptyset

so it will not insert any \emptyset statement.
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- 3. Consider the following extensions to our 3-address code language:
 - x.lock: "locks" a variable x
 - x.unlock: "unlocks" a variable x
 - x.secureComp does some "secure computation" on x

In this language, a "secure computation" on a variable \mathbf{x} is allowed only when it is locked (\mathbf{x} .lock executed before \mathbf{x} .secureComp, without an intervening \mathbf{x} .unlock). We call such secureComp safe, otherwise it is **unsafe**.

The language obviously contains basic constructs like assignment statements, goto statements, and conditionals (if-goto). Following semantic properties hold:

- All variables are unlocked at the entry
- lock and unlock operations are idempotent (Locking a locked variable is allowed, but it has no effect on the lock-status of the variable. Similarly, unlocking an unlocked variable is also allowed)

Here are couple of sample programs, PROGRAM-1 is valid and PROGRAM-2 is invalid.

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// PROGRAM-1
                               // PROGRAM-2
  c = 5
                                  c = 5
  n = 0
                                 n = 0
  t = c > 0
                                 t = c > 0
                                  if t goto L1
  if t goto L1
  n.lock
                                    n.lock
                                    c.secureComp // BAD, c not locked
  n.secureComp
  goto L2
                                    c.unlock
                                    goto L2
L1:
                                 L1:
  c.lock
                                    n.lock
  c.secureComp
                                    n.secureComp
  d = e - 5;
                                    d = e - 5;
  c.unlock
                                    c.lock
L2:
                                 L2:
  n.lock
                                    n.secureComp // OK, n locked on
                                                 // all paths
                                    c.secureComp // BAD, c may not
  n.secureComp
                                                 // be locked
  n.unlock
                                    n.unlock
  c.unlock
                                    c.unlock
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Design an **intraprocedural** data flow analysis framework to mark unsafe secure computations ("secureComp"). In particular,

- (a) Draw the lattice for the framework, and describe it briefly.
- (b) Describe the meet operator (\land) .

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- (c) Describe intuitively the meaning of the top and the bottom elements. [5]
- (d) Define the flow functions for statements. You do not need to list all types of statements, but use suitable representatives (for e.g. **x** op **y** to represent binary operators).
- (e) Is your framework *Forward* or *Backward*? Justify your answer. Also describe the *BoundaryInfo* (initialization information at the boundary of the flow graph). [2+3]
- (a) Lattice (for each variable):

(b) meet:

- (c) \top represents a variable is locked, \bot represents it is unlocked (easy :-))
- (d) Flow functions. (This is one of the many possible solutions)
 - i. S: x.lock

$$Gen(S) = \{x \mapsto Lock\}$$

 $Kill(S) = \{x \mapsto Lock, x \mapsto Unlock\}$

ii. S: x.unlock

$$Gen(S) = \{x \mapsto Unlock\}$$

 $Kill(S) = \{x \mapsto Lock, x \mapsto Unlock\}$

iii. S: Any Other Statement

$$Gen(S) = \{\}$$

 $Kill(S) = \{\}$

$$Out(S) = In(S) - Kill(s) \cup Gen(S)$$

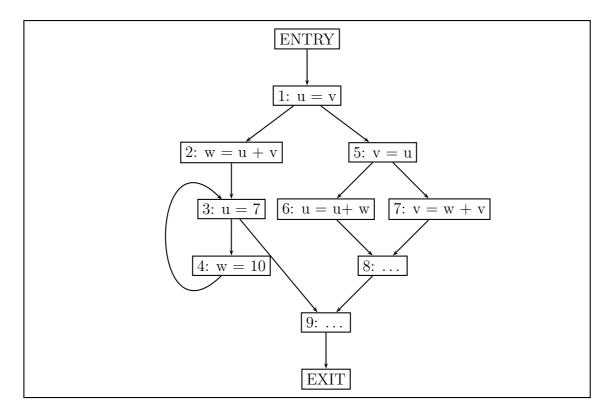
For a statement S: x.secureComp, if $x \mapsto Lock \notin In(S)$ then computation is unsafe.

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(e) My framework is forward (but yours could be backward, depends on the flow functions!). Out is computed in terms of In.

$$BoundaryInfo = \{x \mapsto Unlocked\} \ \forall x$$

4. Consider the following flow graph. Use statement numbers as basic block numbers.



(a) Draw the dominator tree for the graph.

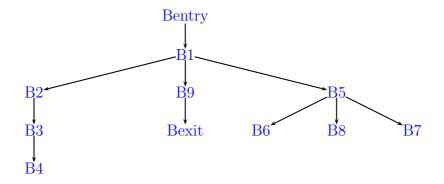
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(b) Calculate the dominance frontier for each block.

- [15]
- (c) Calculate the iterated dominance frontiers for the nodes containing the definitions of u, v and w. Assume that ENTRY node contains implicit definitions of u, v, w as undef. [3*5 = 15]
- (d) Convert the flow graph to minimal SSA form.

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Dominator Tree:



	Entry	{}
	1	{}
	2	{ 9 }
	3	$\{3, 9\}$
	4	{3}
•	5	{9}
	6	{8}
	7	{8}
	8	{9}
	9	{}
	Exit	{}

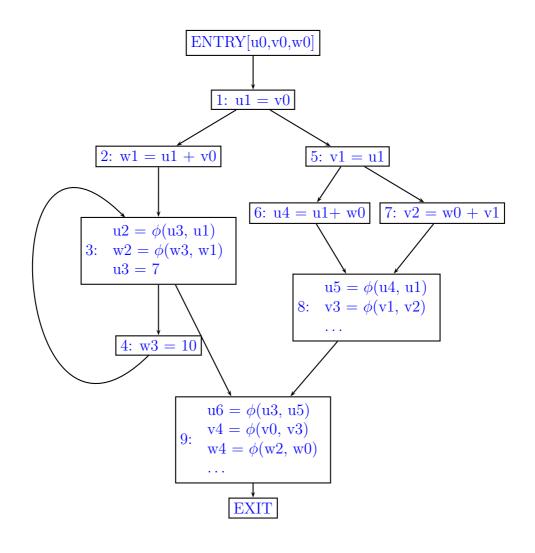
Node | DF

Dominance Frontier:

ENTRY node (1) contains implicit definitions of x, y, z.

Var	Defs	Iterated Dom Frontier of Defs
u	0, 1, 3, 6	{ 3, 8, 9 }
V	0, 5, 7	{ 8, 9 }
W	0, 2, 4	{ 3, 9}

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