# LLVM Introduction

Compiler Design WS 17/18

Implement "potentially uninitialized variable" pass using LLVM

```
void test(bool b) {
   int a;

printf("%d\n",a); ← Variable a is always uninitialized
}
```

```
void test(bool b) {
                                                                      int a;
                                                                      if (b) {
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
                                                                           a = 1;
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                      printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 \%5 = \text{load i8}, i8* \%2, align 1, !dbg !16
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                   ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
 store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
 br label %8, !dbg !21
                                                   ; preds = \%7, \%1
; <label>:8:
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 %10 = call i32 (i8*, ...) @printf(...), !dbg !23
 ret void, !dbg !24
```

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int a;
                                                                      if (b) {
                                                                          a = 1;
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
                             Allocate b, a on stack
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                      printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
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 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
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 br label %8, !dbg !21
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 %10 = call i32 (i8*, ...) @printf(...), !dbg !23
 ret void, !dbg !24
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```
int a;
                                                                     if (b) {
                                                                         a = 1;
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
                              Write function argument (%0)
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                     printf("%d\n",a);
                                into stack slot %2
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 %5 = load i8, i8* %2, align 1, !dbg !16
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                  ; preds = %1
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 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                      printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 %5 = load i8, i8* %2, align 1, !dbg !16
                                             Specify debugging information
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
                                             about %2 and %3
 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                  ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
 store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
 br label %8, !dbg !21
                                                   ; preds = \%7, \%1
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call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
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!10 = !DILocalVariable(name: "b", arg: 1, scope: !6, file: !1, line: 1, type: !9)
!11 = !DIExpression()
!12 = !DILocation(line: 1, column: 16, scope: !6)
!13 = !DILocalVariable(name: "a", scope: !6, file: !1, line: 2, type: !14)
!14 = !DIBasicType(name: "int", size: 32, encoding: DW_ATE_signed)
!15 = !DILocation(line: 2, column: 9, scope: !6)
. . .
                                                               void test(bool b) {
                                                                   int a;
                                                                   if (b) {
                                                                       a = 1;
```

printf("%d\n",a);

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call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
    %2 is variable "b" declared on line 1 having type Bool
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                                                                   if (b) {
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                                                                   printf("%d\n",a);
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call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
   %3 is variable "a" declared on line 2 having type int
!9 = !DIBasicType(name: " Bool", size: 8, encoding: DW ATE boolean)
!10 = !DILocalVariable(name: "b", arg: 1, scope: !6, file: !1, line: 1, type: !9)
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                                                                void test(bool b) {
                                                                    int a;
                                                                   if (b) {
                                                                        a = 1;
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!dbg provides precise location information.
Also used for other instructions, not just var declarations.

```
void test(bool b) {
    int a;
    if (b) {
        a = 1;
     }
    printf("%d\n",a);
}
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void test(bool b) {
                                                                      int a;
                                                                      if (b) {
                                                                          a = 1;
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                      printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 %5 = load i8, i8* %2, align 1, !dbg !16
                                              Branch on b (%2)
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
                                              Go to %7 if true, go to %8 if false
 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                   ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
 store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
 br label %8, !dbg !21
                                                   ; preds = \%7, \%1
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 %9 = load i32, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !22
 %10 = call i32 (i8*, ...) @printf(...), !dbg !23
 ret void, !dbg !24
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                                                                      if (b) {
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                                                                           a = 1;
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                      printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
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 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                   ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
 store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
                                               Store integer 1 in a (%3)
 br label %8, !dbg !21
                                                   ; preds = %7, %1
; <label>:8:
 %9 = load i32, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !22
 %10 = call i32 (i8*, ...) @printf(...), !dbg !23
 ret void, !dbg !24
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                                                                      int a;
                                                                      if (b) {
                                                                          a = 1;
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                      printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 %5 = load i8, i8* %2, align 1, !dbg !16
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                   ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
 store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
 br label %8, !dbg !21
                                                   ; preds = %7, %1
; <label>:8:
 %9 = load i32, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !22
                                                      Call printf() with argument a
 %10 = call i32 (i8*, ...) @printf(...), !dbg !23
                                                       (Some parts omitted)
 ret void, !dbg !24
```

```
int a;
                                                                     if (b) {
                                                                         a = 1;
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1 ← b uninitialized
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                     printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1 ← b initialized
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 %5 = load i8, i8* %2, align 1, !dbg !16 ←
                                                b still initialized
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                  ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
 store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
 br label %8, !dbg !21
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                                                                     int a;
                                                                     if (b) {
                                                                         a = 1;
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4 ← a uninitialized
                                                                     printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 %5 = load i8, i8* %2, align 1, !dbg !16
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                  ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
 store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19 a initialized (in this branch)
 br label %8, !dbg !21
                                                  ; preds = \%7, \%1
; <label>:8:
 %9 = load i32, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !22 ←
 %10 = call i32 (i8*, ...) @printf(...), !dbg !23 a may be initialized
 ret void, !dbg !24
```

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                                                                     int a;
                                                                     if (b) {
                                                                         a = 1;
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4 ← a uninitialized
                                                                     printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
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                                                  ; preds = %1
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 br label %8, !dbg !21
; <label>:8:
                                                  ; preds = %7, %1
 %9 = load i32, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !22 ←
                                                     a may be initialized, depending on
 %10 = call i32 (i8*, ...) @printf(...), !dbg !23
                                                     whether it comes from block %7 or %1
 ret void, !dbg !24
```

```
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
 %2 = alloca i8, align 1
 %3 = alloca i32, align 4
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
 store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
 call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
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 br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
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 br label %8, !dbg !21
```

a = 1;

printf("%d\n",a);

int a;

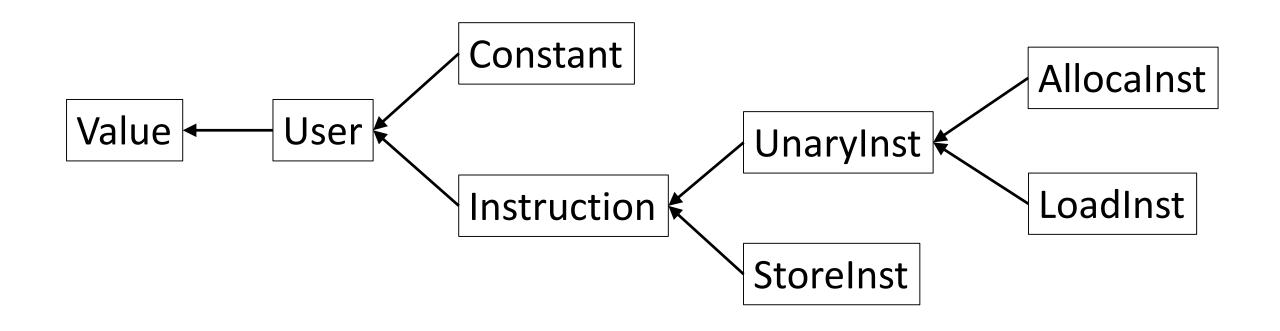
if (b) {

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int a;
                                                                     if (b) {
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
                                                                         a = 1;
                  %2 = alloca i8, align 1
                                                                     printf("%d\n",a);
                                     %3 = alloca i32, align 4
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8
  store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
  call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
  call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 %5 = load i8, i8* %2, align 1, !dbg !16
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
  br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                  ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
  store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
  br label %8, !dbg !21
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                                                                        int a;
                                                                        if (b) {
define void @test(i1 zeroext) #0 !dbg !6 {
                                                                            a = 1;
                  %2 = alloca i8, align 1
                                                                        printf("%d\n",a);
                                      %3 = alloca i32, align 4
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8/
  store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
  call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
  call void @llvm.dbg/declare(metadata i32* %3, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 \%5 = \text{load i8, i8* } \%2, \text{ align 1, !dbg !16}
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
  br i1 %6, label %7, label %8, !dbg !18
                                                    ; preds = %1
; <label>:7:
  store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
  br label %8, !dbg !21
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                  %2 = alloca i8, align 1
                                     %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                      printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8/
  store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
  call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata/i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
  call void @llvm.dbg/declare(metadata i32* %5, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 \%5 = load i8, i8* \%2, align 1, ! \#bg ! 16
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
  br i1 %5, label %7, labe 1/8, !dbg !18
; <label>:7:
                                                   ; preds = %1
  store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
  br label %8, !dbg !21
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                                     %3 = alloca i32, align 4
                                                                      printf("%d\n",a);
 %4 = zext i1 %0 to i8/
  store i8 %4, i8* %2, align 1
  call void @llvm.dbg.declare(metadata/i8* %2, metadata !10, metadata !11), !dbg !12
  call void @llvm.dbg/declare(metadata i32* %5, metadata !13, metadata !11), !dbg !15
 %5 = load i8, i8* %2, align 1, ! dog! 16
 %6 = trunc i8 %5 to i1, !dbg !16
  br i1 %5, label %7, labe 1/8, !dbg !18
; <label>:7:
                                                   ; preds = %1
  store i32 1, i32* %3, align 4, !dbg !19
  br label %8, !dbg !21
                           Constant(i32 1)
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  - Direction?
  - GEN, KILL?
  - IN, OUT equations? (Union or intersection?)
  - Initialization?

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pass.cpp : Pass template
./test.sh : Tests your pass against expected outputs
```