



Code Optimization | Data Flow Analysis

Code Optimization

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Code Optimization Classification

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- By Scope:
 - **Local Optimization**: within a single basic block.
 - **Peephole Optimization** : on a window of instructions (usually local)
 - **Loop-level Optimization** : on one or more loops or loop nests.
 - **Global**: for an entire procedure
 - **Interprocedural**: across multiple procedures or whole program.
- By machine information used:
 - **Machine-independent** versus **machine-dependent**.
- By effect on program structure:
 - Algebraic transformations (e.g., $x+0$, $x*1$, $3*z*4$, ...)
 - Reordering transformations (change the order of 2 computations)
 - **Loop transformations**: loop-level reordering transformations.

Global Optimization

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- Global Optimization: across blocks
 - Common sub-expression elimination
 - Strength reduction
 - Data flow analysis

Data Flow Analysis

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- **Global Optimizations** are based on **data flow analysis**
- These are **algorithms** to gather **data** about a **program**
- Specify some **property** that must hold **every time** an **instruction** is **executed**
- The **analysis** differ in the properties they **compute**
- **Example: constant propagation**
 - Computes for each point in the program
 - For each variable used by the program
 - Whether variable has a unique constant value at that point
 - Replace variable reference by a constant value

Data Flow Analysis

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- **Example:** live variable analysis
 - for each point in the program
 - Whether the value of a variable is sure to be overwritten before it is read
 - If yes then there is no need to preserve the value

Data Flow Analysis

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Reaching Definition:

- A **definition** d reaches a point p
 - If there is a **path** from d to p , and
 - d is **not killed** on the **path**

Available Expression:

- An expression $X \text{ op } Y$ is available at point p
 - If every **path** to p evaluates $X \text{ op } Y$, and
 - After the last such evaluation no assignment is made to X or Y

Data Flow Equation

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- **Compiler** needs to **collect information** about the **program** to do **code optimization** and **code generation**. This is called as **data flow information**, that an **optimizing compiler** collects by a process known as **data flow analysis**.
- **Data flow information** can be collected by setting up and solving **systems of equations** that relate information at various points in a program.

Data Flow Equation

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A Typical Equation has the form:

$$1. \text{ OUT}[S] = \text{GEN}[S] \cup (\text{IN}[S] - \text{KILL}[S])$$

$$2. \text{ IN}[S] = \bigcup_{P \text{ of } S} \text{OUT}[S]$$

// P - predecessor (Incoming) of S

Such equations are called “**Data-flow equations**”

Data Flow Equation

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Where

GEN[S] : set of **definitions generated**, those definitions within block 'S' that reach the end of the block.

KILL[S] : set of **definitions killed**, that is the **set of definitions** outside of the block 'S' that define **identifiers** that also have definitions within block 'S'.

IN[S] : set of **input definitions**. Consisting of **all definitions** reaching the point just before the first statement of the block 'S'.

OUT[S] : set of **output definitions**, that is the **set of definitions** reaching the point just after the last statement of S.

Data Flow Equation

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Use-definition chain (ud-chain)

ud-chain answers the question: Given that identifier '**A**' is used at point '**P**' at what points could the value of '**A**' used at '**P**' have been defined?

Ex:

$$T_1 = 4 * I$$

$$T_2 = \text{addr}(A) - 4$$

$$T_2[T_1] = B$$

If $A = 3$ then the **flow graph** is shown below:

Data Flow Equation

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Use-definition chain (ud-chain)

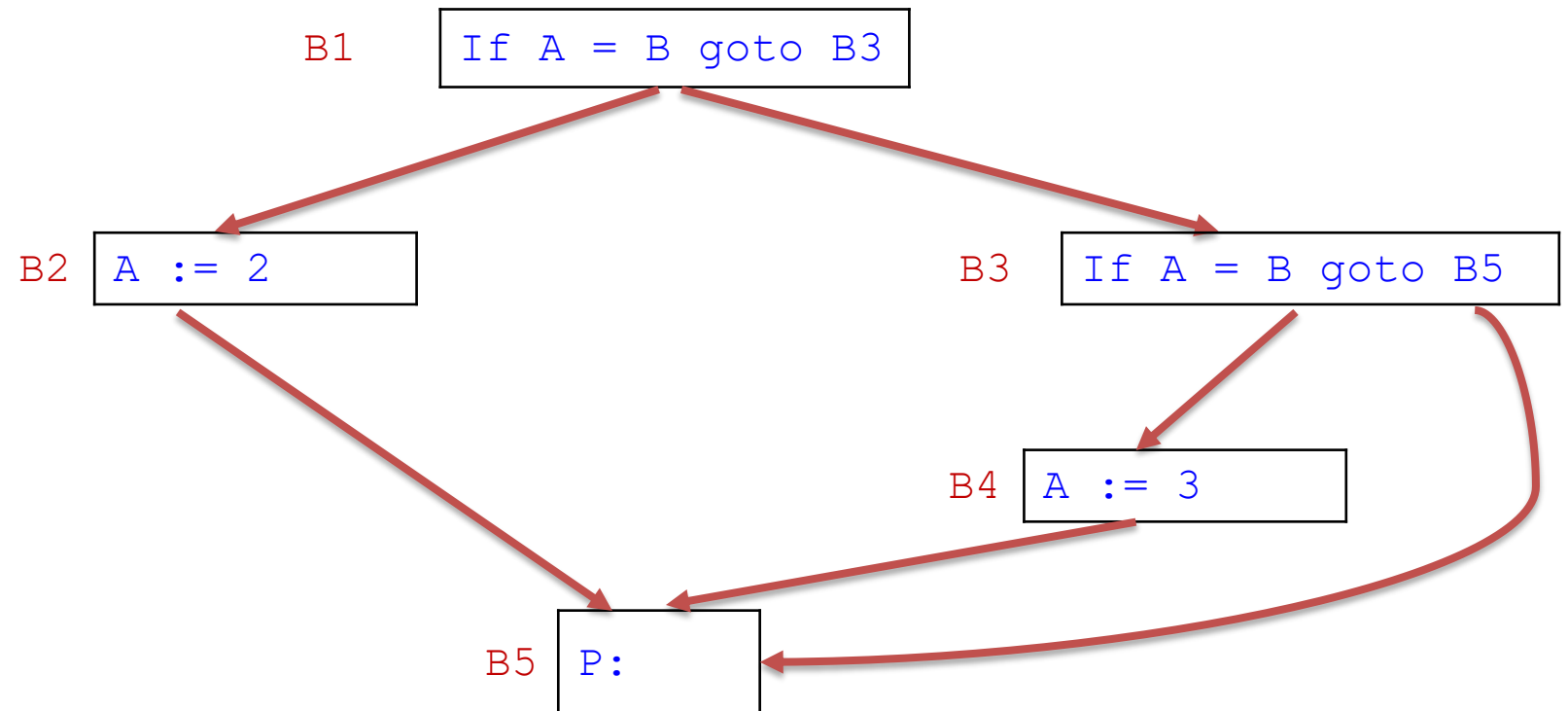


Fig: Flow graph

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Block in a Flow graph

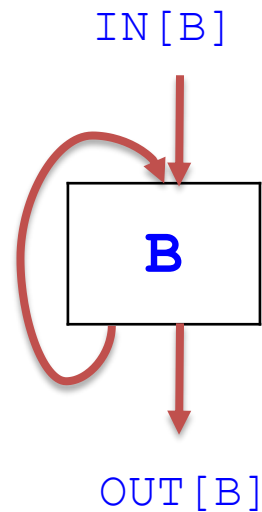


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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**

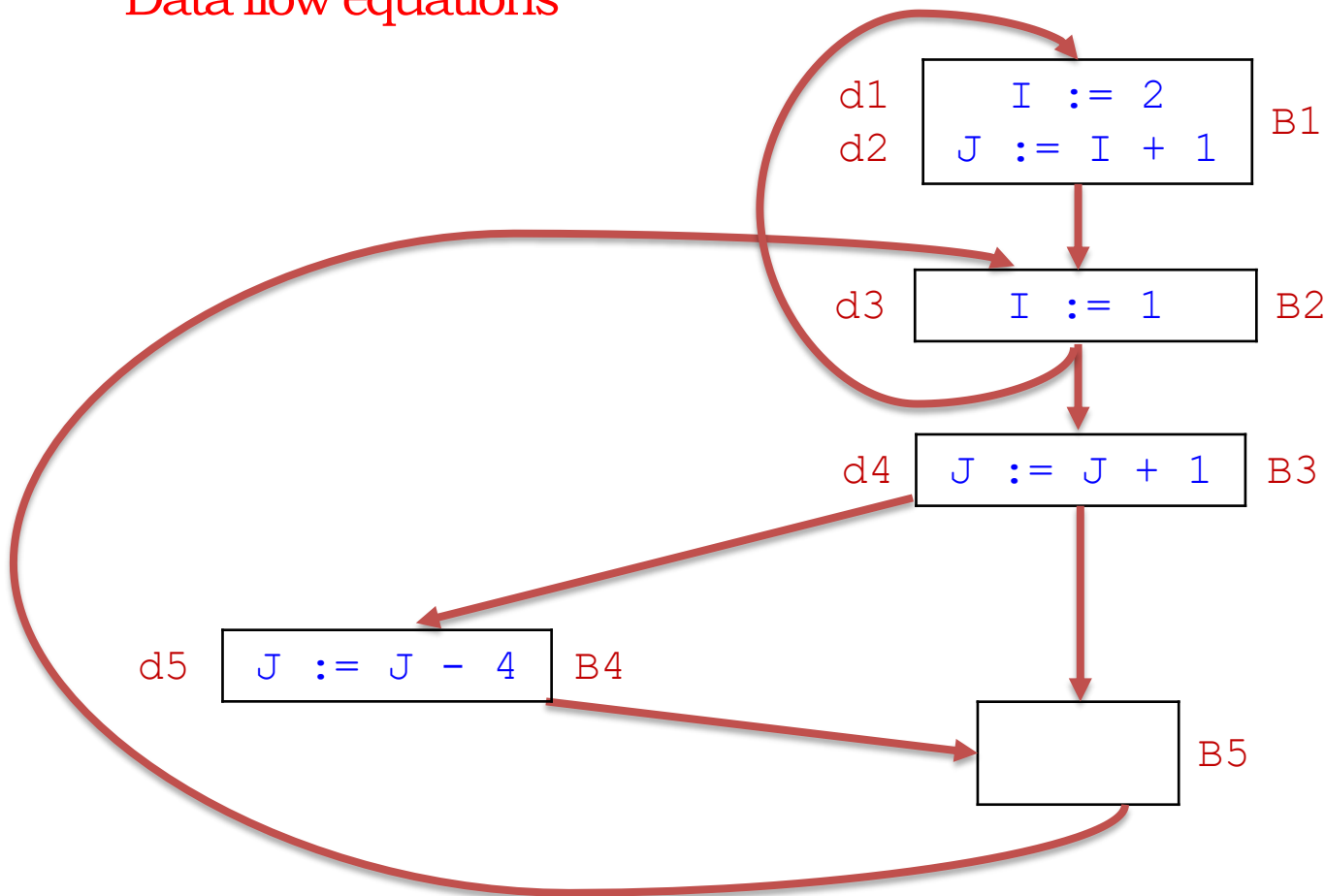
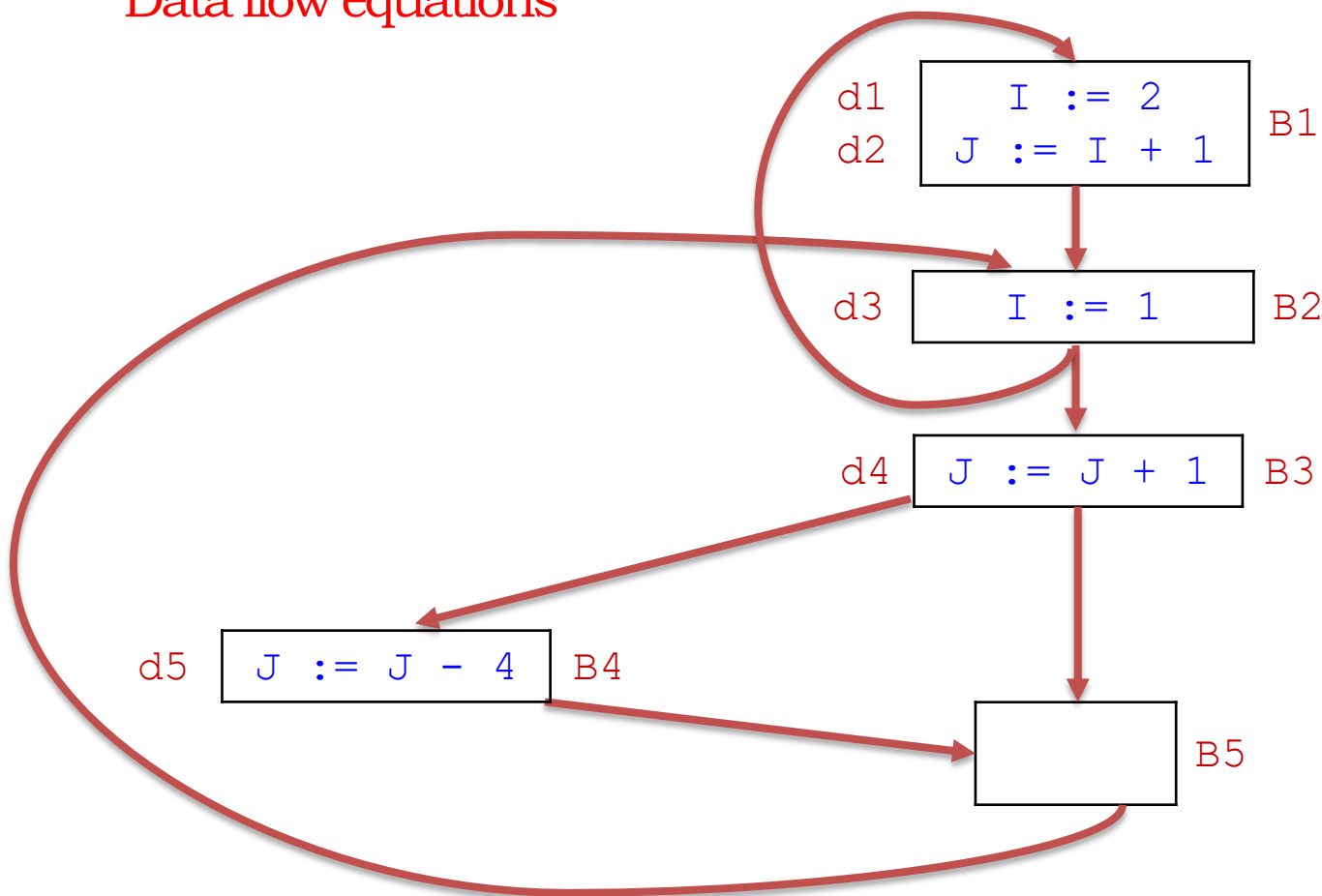


Fig: Flow graph

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**



Computing GEN and KILL:

Block B1: in B1 both I and J are defined, so all the definitions of I and J outside of B1 are killed.

i.e. $KILL[B1] = \{d3, d4, d5\}$

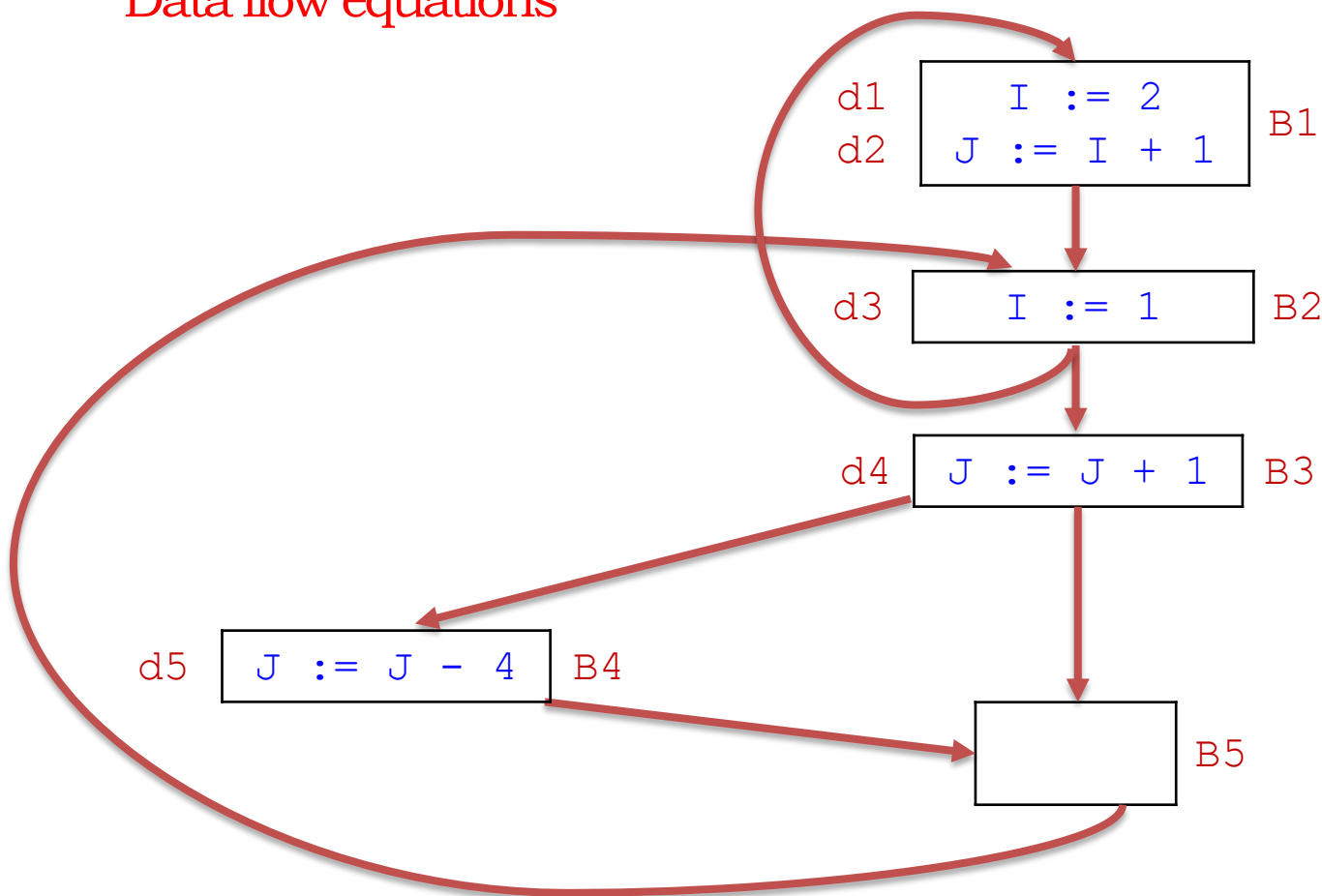
$GEN[B1] = \{d1, d2\}$, since each of d1 and d2 are the last definitions of their respective variables in B1.

Fig: Flow graph

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**



Computing **GEN** and **KILL**:

Block B2: in B2 I is defined, so all the definitions of I outside of B2 are killed.

i.e. $KILL[B2] = \{d1\}$

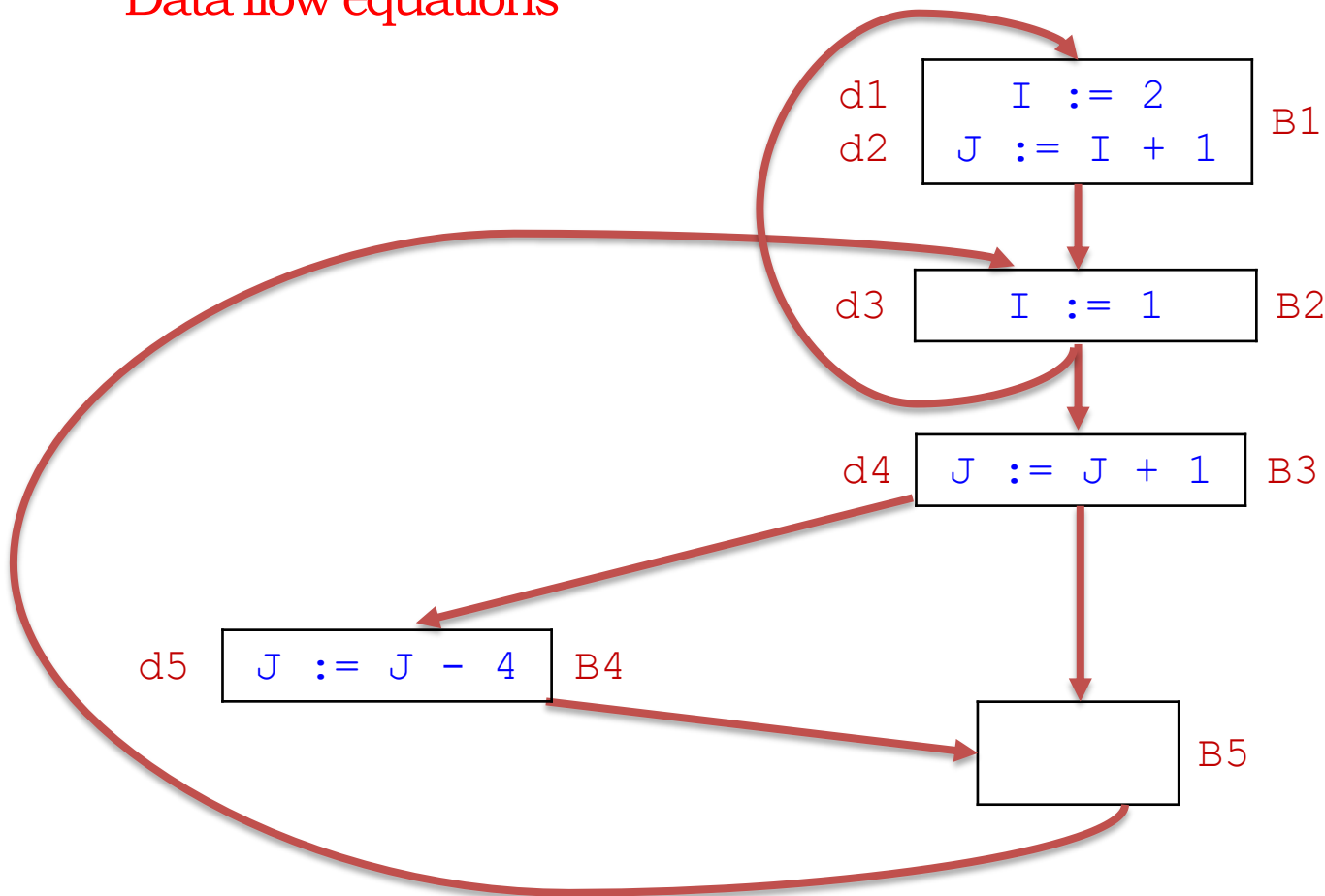
$GEN[B2] = \{d3\}$, since d3 is the last definition of their respective variables in B2.

Fig: Flow graph

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**



Computing GEN and KILL:

Block B3: in B3 J is defined, so all the definitions of J outside of B3 are killed.

i.e. $KILL[B3] = \{d2, d5\}$

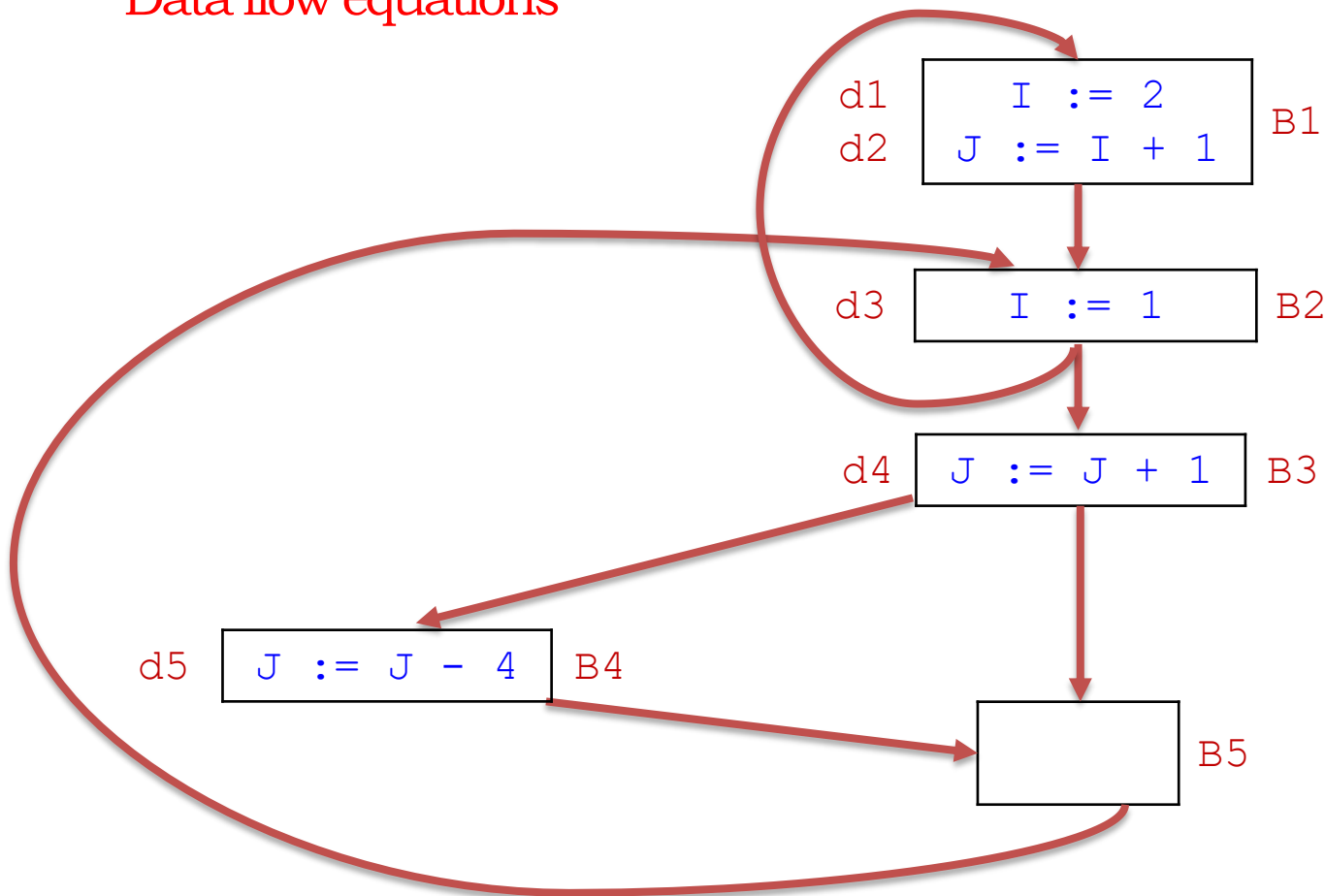
$GEN[B3] = \{d4\}$, since d4 is the last definition of their respective variables in B3.

Fig: Flow graph

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**



Computing GEN and KILL:

Block B4: in B4 J is defined, so all the definitions of J outside of B4 are killed.

i.e. $KILL[B4] = \{d2, d4\}$

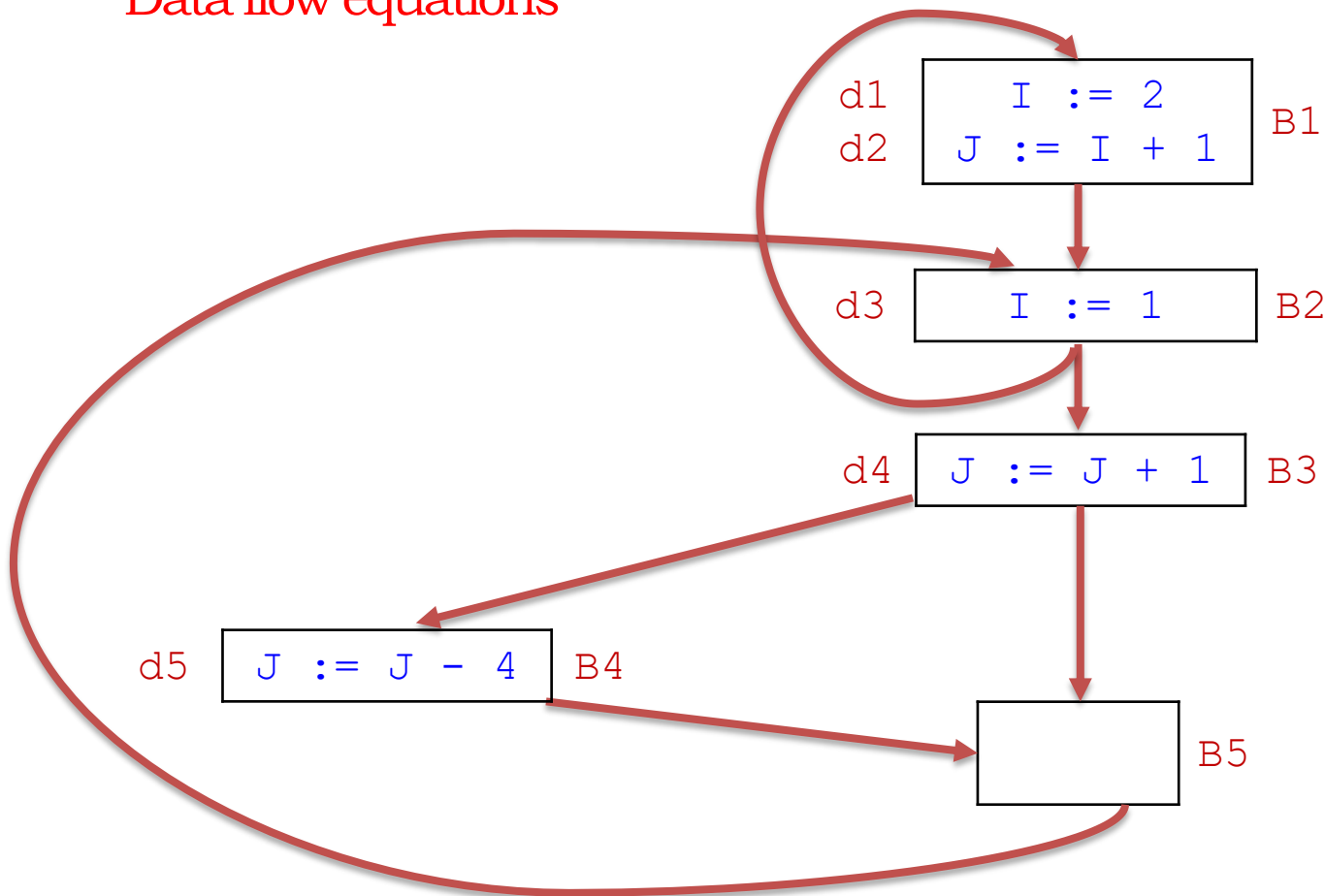
$GEN[B4] = \{d5\}$, since d5 is the last definition of their respective variables in B4.

Fig: Flow graph

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**



Computing GEN and KILL:

Block B5: in B5 nothing is defined, i.e. $KILL[B5] = \phi$

$GEN[B5] = \phi$, since no definitions are in B5.

Fig: Flow graph

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute IN, OUT, KILL and GEN values by Solving Data flow equations

The entire list of GEN and KILL values are shown below:

Block B	GEN [B]	Bit-vector	KILL [B]	Bit-vector
B1	{d1, d2}	11000	{d3, d4, d5}	00111
B2	{d3}	00100	{d1}	10000
B3	{d4}	00010	{d2, d5}	01001
B4	{d5}	00001	{d2, d4}	01010
B5	Φ	00000	Φ	00000

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given **flow graph** below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**

Computing **OUT** and **IN** values:

$$1. \text{ OUT}[S] = \text{GEN}[S] \cup (\text{IN}[S] - \text{KILL}[S])$$

$$2. \text{ IN}[S] = \cup \text{ OUT}[S]$$

// P - predecessor (Incoming) of S

Here $S = \{B1, B2, B3, B4, B5\}$

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by Solving Data flow equations

Computing **OUT** and **IN** values:

Block B	IN [B]	Calculation	OUT [B]	Calculation
B1	00100	New IN[B1] = \cup OUT[P of B1] = OUT[B2] = GEN[B2] = 00100	11000	$\begin{aligned} \text{OUT}[B1] &= \text{GEN}[B1] \cup (\text{IN}[B1] - \text{KILL}[B1]) \\ &= 11000 + [00100 - 00111] \\ & \quad [// \text{Minus } (-): \neg \wedge] \\ & \quad 00100 - 00111 = \\ & \quad \quad \mathbf{x} = 00100 \\ & \quad \mathbf{y} = \neg \text{ of } 00111 = 11000 \\ & \quad \mathbf{x} \wedge \mathbf{y} = 00100 \wedge 11000 \\ & \quad \quad = 00000] \\ &= 11000 + 00000 \\ &= 11000 \end{aligned}$

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given **flow graph** below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**

Computing **OUT** and **IN** values:

Block B	IN [B]	Calculation	OUT [B]	Calculation
B2	11000	$\begin{aligned} \text{New IN}[B2] &= \cup \text{OUT}[P \text{ of } B2] \\ &= \text{OUT}[B1] + \text{OUT}[B5] \\ &= \text{OUT}[B1] + \text{GEN}[B5] \\ &= 11000 + 00000 \\ &= 11000 \end{aligned}$	01100	$\begin{aligned} \text{OUT}[B2] &= \text{GEN}[B2] \cup \\ &(\text{IN}[B2] - \text{KILL}[B2]) \\ &= 00100 + [11000 \\ &\quad - 10000] \\ &= 00100 + 01000 \\ &= 01100 \end{aligned}$
B3	01100	$\begin{aligned} \text{New IN}[B3] &= \cup \text{OUT}[P \text{ of } B3] \\ &= \text{OUT}[B2] \\ &= 01100 \end{aligned}$	00110	$\begin{aligned} \text{OUT}[B3] &= \text{GEN}[B3] \cup \\ &(\text{IN}[B3] - \text{KILL}[B3]) \\ &= 00010 + [01100 \\ &\quad - 01001] \\ &= 00010 + 00100 \\ &= 00110 \end{aligned}$

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by Solving Data flow equations

Computing **OUT** and **IN** values:

Block B	IN [B]	Calculation	OUT [B]	Calculation
B4	00110	$\begin{aligned} \text{New IN[B4]} &= \cup \text{OUT[P of B4]} \\ &= \text{OUT[B3]} \\ &= 00110 \end{aligned}$	00101	$\begin{aligned} \text{OUT[B4]} &= \text{GEN[B4]} \cup \\ &(\text{IN[B4]} - \text{KILL[B4]}) \\ &= 00001 + [00110 \\ &\quad - 01010] \\ &= 00001 + 00100 \\ &= 00101 \end{aligned}$
B5	00111	$\begin{aligned} \text{New IN[B5]} &= \cup \text{OUT[P of B5]} \\ &= \text{OUT[B3]} + \text{OUT[B4]} \\ &= 00110 + 00101 \\ &= 00111 \end{aligned}$	00111	$\begin{aligned} \text{OUT[B5]} &= \text{GEN[B5]} \cup \\ &(\text{IN[B5]} - \text{KILL[B5]}) \\ &= 00000 + [00111 \\ &\quad - 00000] \\ &= 00000 + 00111 \\ &= 00111 \end{aligned}$

Solving Data Flow Equations

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Ex: For the given flow graph below compute **IN**, **OUT**, **KILL** and **GEN** values by **Solving Data flow equations**

Computing **OUT** and **IN** values:

Block B	Initial		Pass1		Pass2		Pass3	
	IN [B]	OUT [B]	IN [B]	OUT [B]	IN [B]	OUT [B]	IN [B]	OUT [B]
B1	00000	= GEN[B1] = 11000	00100	11000	01100	11000	01111	11000
B2	00000	= GEN[B2] = 00100	11000	01100	11111	01111	11111	01111
B3	00000	= GEN[B3] = 00010	01100	00110	01111	00110	01111	00110
B4	00000	= GEN[B4] = 00001	00110	00101	00110	00101	00110	00101
B5	00000	= GEN[B5] = 00000	00111	00111	00111	00111	00111	00111

Next Pass i.e. Pass4 contains the same values as in Pass3

Live Variable Analysis

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Live Variable Analysis

- The variable x is **live** at the point P , if the value of x at P could be **used** along some path in the **flow graph**, starting at P ; otherwise, x is **dead** at P .
- **Sets of variables** constitute the **domain** of **data-flow values**.
- **Backward flow** problem, with **confluence** operator U .
- $IN[B]$ is the **set of variables live** at the **beginning** of B .
- $OUT[B]$ is the **set of variables live** just **after** B .
- $DEF[B]$ is the **set of variables** definitely assigned values in B , prior to any use of that variable in B .
- $USE[B]$ is the **set of variables** whose values may be used in B **prior** to any **definition of the variable**.

Live Variable Analysis

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Live Variable Analysis

$OUT[B] = \cup IN[S]$ // S is a successor (out edges) of B

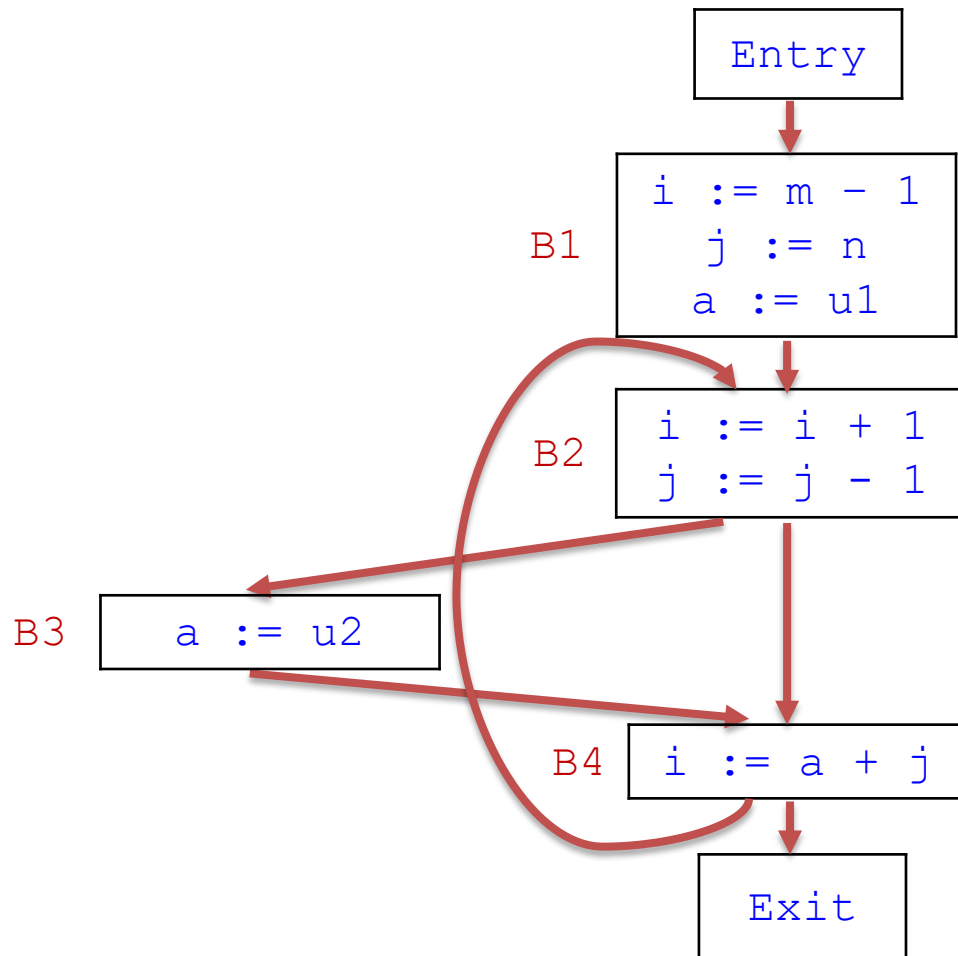
$IN[B] = USE[B] \cup (OUT[B] - DEF[B])$

$IN[B] = \phi$, for all B (initialization only)

Live Variable Analysis

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Ex: Compute **USE**, **DEF**, **IN** and **OUT** values of blocks for the given flow graph



$OUT[B] = \bigcup IN[S]$ // S is successor of B

$IN[B] = USE[B] \cup (OUT[B] - DEF[B])$

$USE[B]$: Set of variables used by S (a read of a variables value)

$DEF[B]$: Set of variables defined by S (an assignment of a value to a variable)

$IN[S]$: Variables **live** on **entry** to S

$OUT[S]$: Variables **live** on **exit** from S

$IN[S] \supseteq USE[S]$

Fig: Flow graph

Live Variable Analysis

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Ex: Compute **USE**, **DEF**, **IN** and **OUT** values of blocks for the given flow graph

Computing **USE** and **DEF** values:

Block B	USE [B]	DEF[B]
B1	{m, n, u ₁ }	{i, j, a}
B2	{i, j}	{i, j}
B3	{u ₂ }	{a}
B4	{a, j}	{i}

Live Variable Analysis

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Ex: Compute **USE**, **DEF**, **IN** and **OUT** values of blocks for the given flow graph

Computing **IN** and **OUT** values:

For **B1**:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{OUT[B1]} &= \bigcup \mathbf{IN[S]} \quad // \quad S \text{ is successor (out edges) of B1} \\ &= \mathbf{IN[B2]}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{B1} \rightarrow \mathbf{B2} \rightarrow \mathbf{B4}$$

$$\mathbf{B1} \rightarrow \mathbf{B2} \rightarrow \mathbf{B3} \rightarrow \mathbf{B4}$$

$$= (\mathbf{USE} + \mathbf{DEF}) \text{ of } \mathbf{B2, B3, B4}$$

$$= \{i, j\} \cup \{a, u2\} \cup \{i, a, j\} = \{i, j, a, u2\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{IN[B1]} &= \mathbf{USE[B1]} \cup (\mathbf{OUT[B1]} - \mathbf{DEF[B1]}) \\ &= \{m, n, u1\} \cup (\{i, j, a, u2\} - \{i, j, a\}) \\ &= \{m, n, u1\} \cup \{a2\} = \{m, n, u1, u2\}\end{aligned}$$

Live Variable Analysis

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Ex: Compute **USE**, **DEF**, **IN** and **OUT** values of blocks for the given flow graph

Computing **IN** and **OUT** values:

For B2:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{OUT}[B2] &= \cup \mathbf{IN}[S] \quad // \quad S \text{ is successor(out edges) of } B2 \\ &= \mathbf{IN}[B3] \cup \mathbf{IN}[B4] \\ &\quad \mathbf{B2} \rightarrow \mathbf{B4} \\ &\quad \mathbf{B2} \rightarrow \mathbf{B3} \rightarrow \mathbf{B4} \\ &= (\mathbf{USE} + \mathbf{DEF}) \text{ of } B3, B4 \\ &= \{a, u2\} \cup \{i, a, j\} = \{i, j, a, u2\} \\ \mathbf{IN}[B2] &= \mathbf{USE}[B2] \cup (\mathbf{OUT}[B2] - \mathbf{DEF}[B2]) \\ &= \{i, j\} \cup (\{i, j, a, u2\} - \{i, j\}) \\ &= \{i, j\} \cup \{a, u2\} = \{i, j, a, u2\} \\ &// \text{ same for } B3 \text{ \& } B4\end{aligned}$$

Live Variable Analysis

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Ex: Compute **USE**, **DEF**, **IN** and **OUT** values of blocks for the given flow graph

Final values of **USE**, **DEF**, **OUT** and **IN**:

Block B	USE [B]	DEF[B]	OUT[B]	IN[B]
B1	{m, n, u ₁ }	{i, j, a}	{i, j, a, u ₂ }	{m, n, u ₁ , u ₂ }
B2	{i, j}	{i, j}	{i, j, a, u ₂ }	{i, j, a, u ₂ }
B3	{u ₂ }	{a}	{a, j, u ₂ }	{j, u ₂ }
B4	{a, j}	{i}	{a, i, j, u ₂ }	{a, j, u ₂ }