# Background 4: Interprocedural Analysis

So far, we can analyze each procedure separately.

- $\rightarrow$  The costs are moderate :-)
- $\rightarrow$  The methods also work in presence of separate compilation :-)
- $\rightarrow$  At procedure calls, we must assume the worst case :-(
- $\rightarrow$  Constant propagation only works for local constants :-((

## Question:

How can recursive programs be analyzed ???

## **Constant Propagation**



Example:





## (1) Functional Approach:

Let  $\mathbb{D}$  denote a complete lattice of (abstract) states.

## Idea:

Represent the effect of f() by a function:

 $\llbracket f \rrbracket^{\sharp} : \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$ 



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In order to determine the effect of a call edge k = (u, f();, v) we require abstract functions:

enter <sup>♯</sup>	•	$\mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$
combine <sup>#</sup>	•	$\mathbb{D}^2 \to \mathbb{D}$

Then we define:

$$\llbracket k \rrbracket^{\sharp} D = \operatorname{combine}^{\sharp} (D, \llbracket f \rrbracket^{\sharp} (\operatorname{enter}^{\sharp} D))$$

# ... for Constant Propagation:

$$\mathbb{D} \qquad = (Vars \to \mathbb{Z}^{\top})_{\perp}$$

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$$D$$
 =  $\begin{cases} \bot$  if  $D = \bot$   
 $D|_{Globals} \oplus \{x \mapsto 0 \mid x \in Locals\}$  otherwise  
combine<sup>#</sup>  $(D_1, D_2)$  =  $\begin{cases} \bot$  if  $D_1 = \bot \lor D_2 = \bot$   
 $D_1|_{Locals} \oplus D_2|_{Globals}$  otherwise

The effects  $\llbracket f \rrbracket^{\sharp}$  then can be determined by a system of constraints over the complete lattice  $\mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$  :

$$\begin{split} \llbracket v \rrbracket^{\sharp} & \sqsupseteq & \mathsf{Id} & v \text{ entry point} \\ \llbracket v \rrbracket^{\sharp} & \sqsupseteq & \llbracket k \rrbracket^{\sharp} \circ \llbracket u \rrbracket^{\sharp} & k = (u, \_, v) \text{ edge} \\ \llbracket f \rrbracket^{\sharp} & \sqsupseteq & \llbracket stop_f \rrbracket^{\sharp} & stop_f \text{ end point of } f \end{split}$$

 $\llbracket v \rrbracket^{\sharp} : \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$  describes the effect of all prefixes of computation forests w of a procedure which lead from the entry point to v :-)

#### Problems:

- How can we represent functions  $f : \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$ ???
- If  $\#\mathbb{D} = \infty$ , then  $\mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$  has infinite strictly increasing chains :-(

## Simplification: Copy-Constants

- $\rightarrow$  Conditions are interpreted as ; :-)
- → Only assignments x = e; with  $e \in Vars \cup \mathbb{Z}$  are treated exactly :-)

### Observation:

 $\rightarrow$  The effects of assignments are:

$$\llbracket x = e; \rrbracket^{\sharp} D = \begin{cases} D \oplus \{x \mapsto c\} & \text{if } e = c \in \mathbb{Z} \\ D \oplus \{x \mapsto (D y)\} & \text{if } e = y \in Vars \\ D \oplus \{x \mapsto \top\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- → Let  $\mathbb{V}$  denote the (finite !!!) set of constant right-hand sides. Then variables may only take values from  $\mathbb{V}^{\top}$  :-))
- $\rightarrow$  The occurring effects can be taken from

$$\mathbb{D}_f \to \mathbb{D}_f \qquad \text{with} \qquad \mathbb{D}_f = (Vars \to \mathbb{V}^+)_\perp$$

 $\rightarrow$  The complete lattice is huge, but finite !!!

#### Improvement:

- $\rightarrow$  Not all functions from  $\mathbb{D}_f \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_f$  will occur :-)
- $\rightarrow$  All occurring functions  $\lambda D. \perp \neq M$  are of the form:

$$M = \{x \mapsto (b_x \sqcup \bigsqcup_{y \in I_x} y) \mid x \in Vars\}$$
where:  
$$M D = \{x \mapsto (b_x \sqcup \bigsqcup_{y \in I_x} D y) \mid x \in Vars\}$$
für  $D \neq \bot$ 

→ Let 
$$\mathbb{M}$$
 denote the set of all these functions. Then for  $M_1, M_2 \in \mathbb{M}$   $(M_1 \neq \lambda D, \perp \neq M_2)$ :

$$(M_1 \sqcup M_2) x = (M_1 x) \sqcup (M_2 x)$$

 $\rightarrow$  For k = # Vars , M has height  $\mathcal{O}(k^2)$  :-)

## Improvement (Cont.):

 $\rightarrow$  Also, composition can be directly implemented:

$$(M_1 \circ M_2) x = b' \sqcup \bigsqcup_{y \in I'} y \quad \text{with}$$
$$b' = b \sqcup \bigsqcup_{z \in I} b_z$$
$$I' = \bigcup_{z \in I} I_z \quad \text{where}$$
$$M_1 x = b \sqcup \bigsqcup_{y \in I} y$$
$$M_2 z = b_z \sqcup \bigsqcup_{y \in I_z} y$$

 $\rightarrow$  The effects of assignments then are:

$$\llbracket x = e; \rrbracket^{\sharp} = \begin{cases} \mathsf{Id}_{Vars} \oplus \{x \mapsto c\} & \text{if } e = c \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \mathsf{Id}_{Vars} \oplus \{x \mapsto y\} & \text{if } e = y \in Vars \\ \mathsf{Id}_{Vars} \oplus \{x \mapsto \top\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### ... in the Example:

$$\llbracket t = 0; \rrbracket^{\sharp} = \{a_1 \mapsto a_1, \operatorname{ret} \mapsto \operatorname{ret}, t \mapsto 0\}$$
$$\llbracket a_1 = t; \rrbracket^{\sharp} = \{a_1 \mapsto t, \operatorname{ret} \mapsto \operatorname{ret}, t \mapsto t\}$$

In order to implement the analysis, we additionally must construct the effect of a call  $k = (\_, f();, \_)$  from the effect of a procedure f:

$$\llbracket k \rrbracket^{\sharp} = H (\llbracket f \rrbracket^{\sharp}) \quad \text{where:} \\ H (M) = \mathsf{Id}|_{Locals} \oplus (M \circ \mathsf{enter}^{\sharp})|_{Globals} \\ \mathsf{enter}^{\sharp} x = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \in Globals \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$