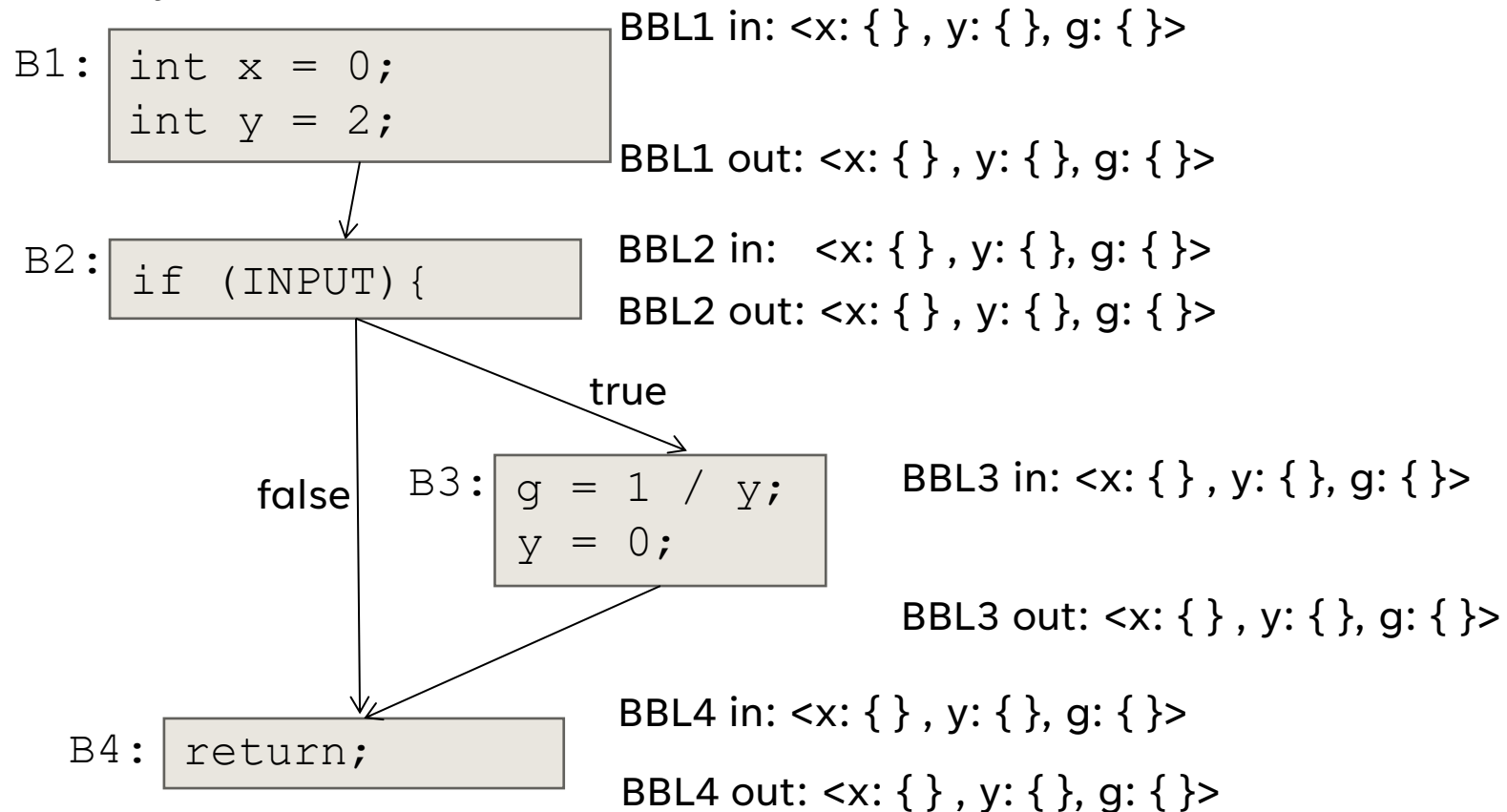


EXERCISE #10

DATAFLOW REVIEW

Perform a value-set dataflow analysis on the following CFG, starting at B1, then B2 then BBL 3, then BBL 4. Give the value sets at the top of each block after 1 round of analysis

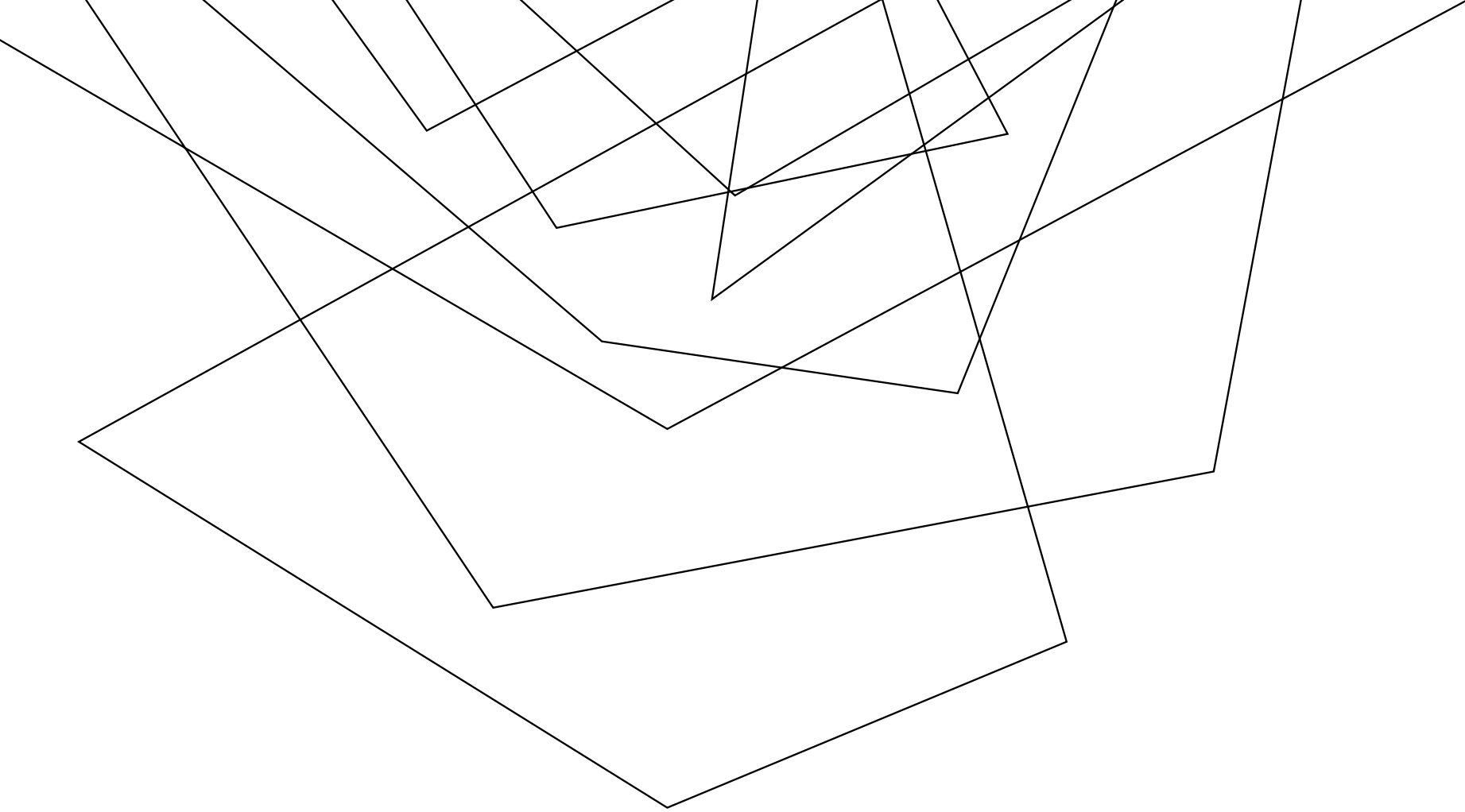




WARMUPS -

Full part in class
Correctness after
class

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DATAFLOW FIXPOINTS

EECS 677: Software Security Evaluation

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CLASS PROGRESS

EXPLORING A FORM OF STATIC ANALYSIS THAT SUMMARIZES HOW CONTROL AND DATA FLOWS ACROSS A PROGRAM

- MANIFEST A COMPLETE ANALYSIS BY DENOTING SETS OF ALL VALUES MEMORY MIGHT CONTAIN (**NB – THIS WILL END UP BEING CUMBERSOME!**)

LAST TIME: VALUE SET ANALYSIS

REVIEW: DATAFLOW

CONSERVATIVELY TRACK THE POSSIBLE SET OF VALUES TAKEN

```
1. uint4 x = randInt();  
2. uint4 y = x % 2;  
3. return x / y;
```

← x, y : {0-15}
← y: {0,1}, x: {0-15}

This approach is a complete over-approximation

LAST TIME: FLOW SENSITIVITY

REVIEW: DATAFLOW

ACCOUNT FOR PROGRAM FLOW, NOT PATHS

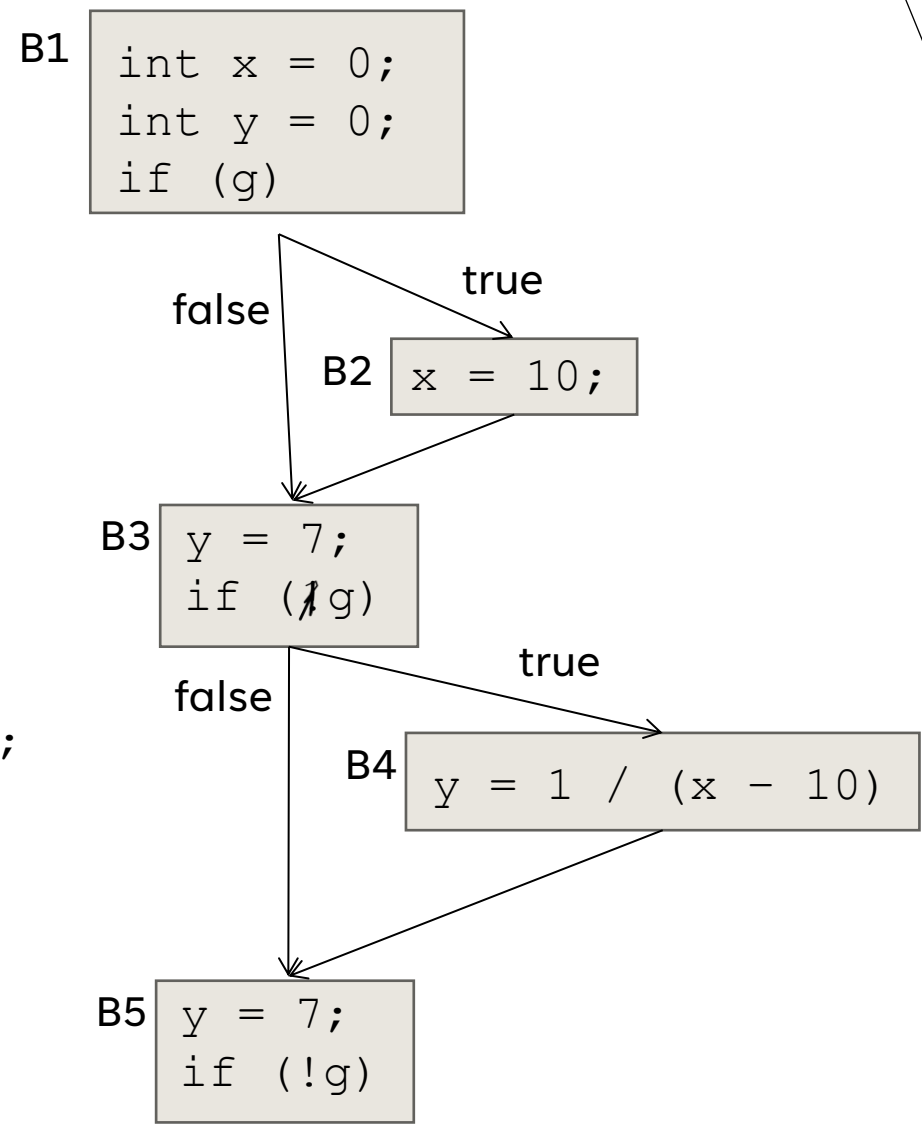
- When control flow merges, merge the value sets

2
 x ↙
 ↘

predicates

```

1. int x = 0;
2. int y = 0;
3. if (g)
4.   x = 10;
5. y = 7
6. if (!g)
7.   y = 1 / (x - 10);
8. return;
  
```



LOOPS ARE TOUGH TO HANDLE!

REVIEW: DATAFLOW ANALYSIS

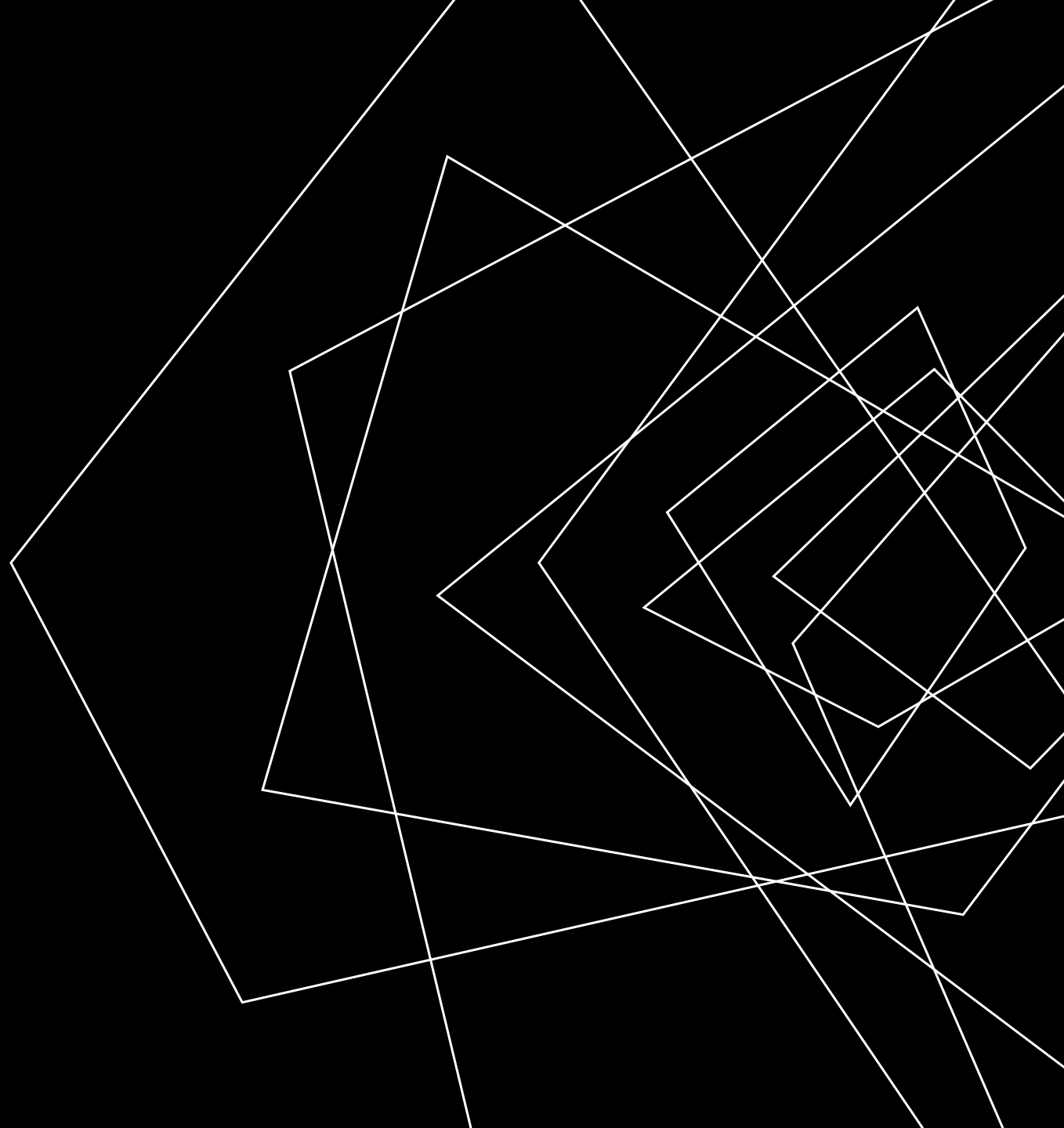
ISSUES WITH LOOPS

- Generate lots of paths
- Cyclic data dependency



LECTURE OUTLINE

- Handling cyclic dependency
- Termination
- Handling large value sets



A WORD OF CAUTION

DATAFLOW ANALYSIS



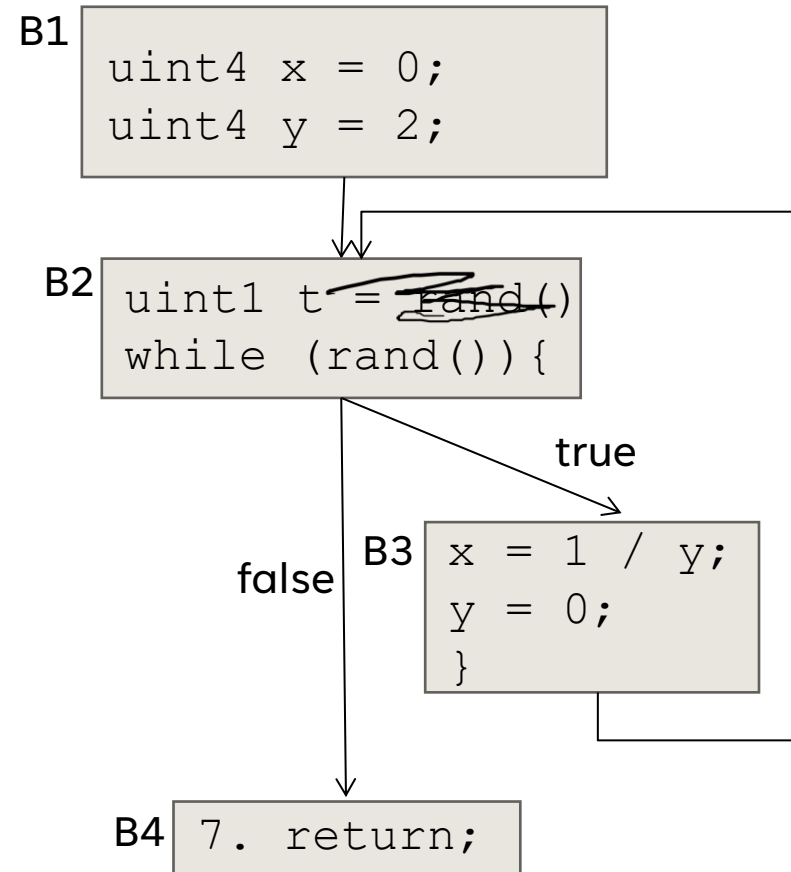
WE NEED TO BUILD UP A LOT OF INTERLOCKING MACHINERY FOR A “REAL” FLOW-SENSITIVE ANALYSIS

- I'll present a simplified algorithm here with some subtle problems, which we'll fix up next time

WHERE TO START ANALYSIS

DATAFLOW ANALYSIS

```
1. uint4 x = 0;
2. uint4 y = 2;
3. uint1 t;
4. while (t=rand()) {
5.     x = 1 / y;
6.     y = 0;
7. }
8. return;
```



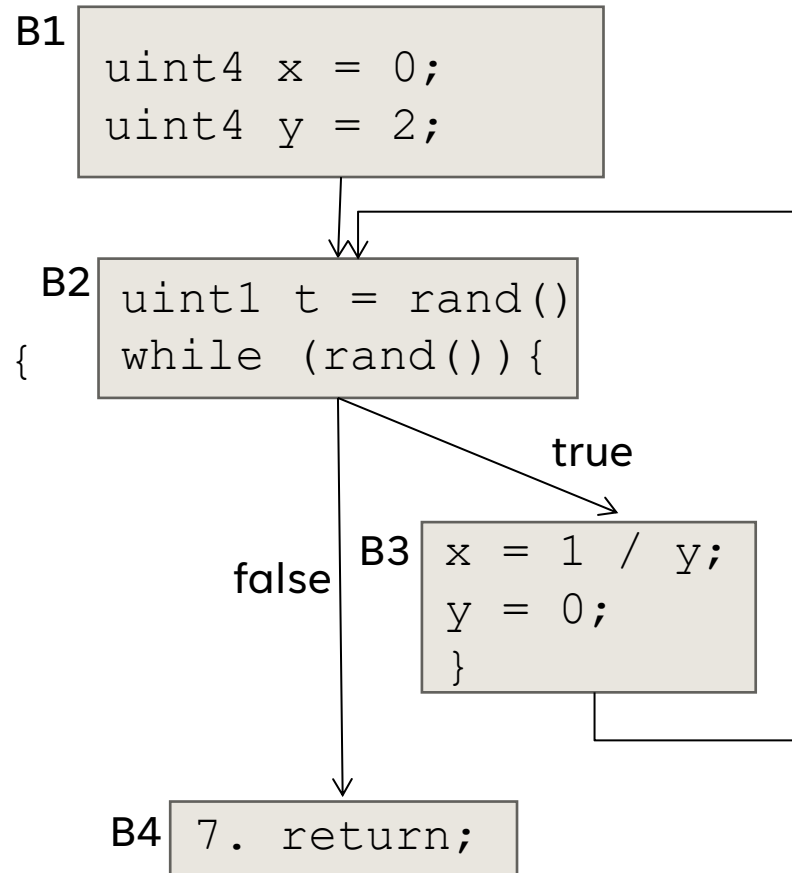
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	x	y	t
B1 in	{1-15}	{1-15}	{0,1}
B1 out	{0}	{2}	{0,1}
B2 in	???	???	???
B2 out			
B3 in			
B3 out			
B4 in			
B4 out			

CHAOTIC ITERATION

STATIC ANALYSIS: CONTROL FLOW GRAPHS

A WORKLIST ALGORITHM

- Select the next worklist item in any order
- Necessarily assumes progress towards some goal

DEALING WITH “UNCOMPUTED” SETS

- Assume a reasonable “initial” value



Surprisingly, not a band with merch at Hot Topic

CHAOTIC ITERATION

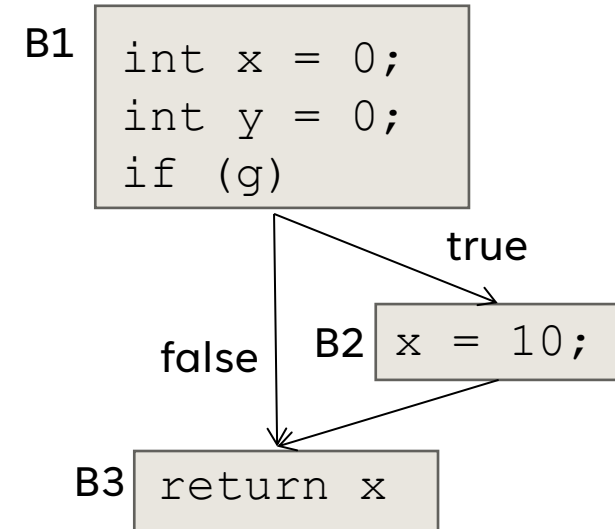
STATIC ANALYSIS: CONTROL FLOW GRAPHS

A WORKLIST ALGORITHM

- Select the next worklist item in any order
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DEALING WITH “UNCOMPUTED” SETS

- Assume a reasonable “initial” value
- For the sake of complete over-approximation, let’s assume a set that hasn’t been computed take could take on ANY value



	x	y	g
B1 in	MIN-MAX	MIN-MAX	MIN-MAX
B1 out	}	}	}
B2 in			
B2 out	}	}	}
B3 in			
B3 out			

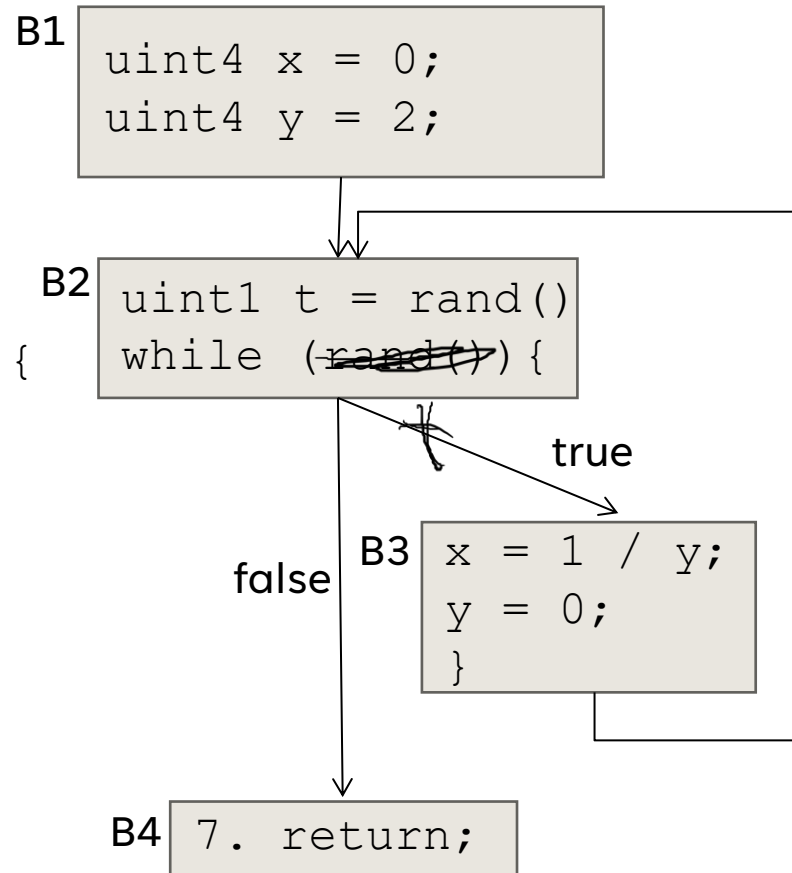
CHAOTIC ITERATION: LOOPS

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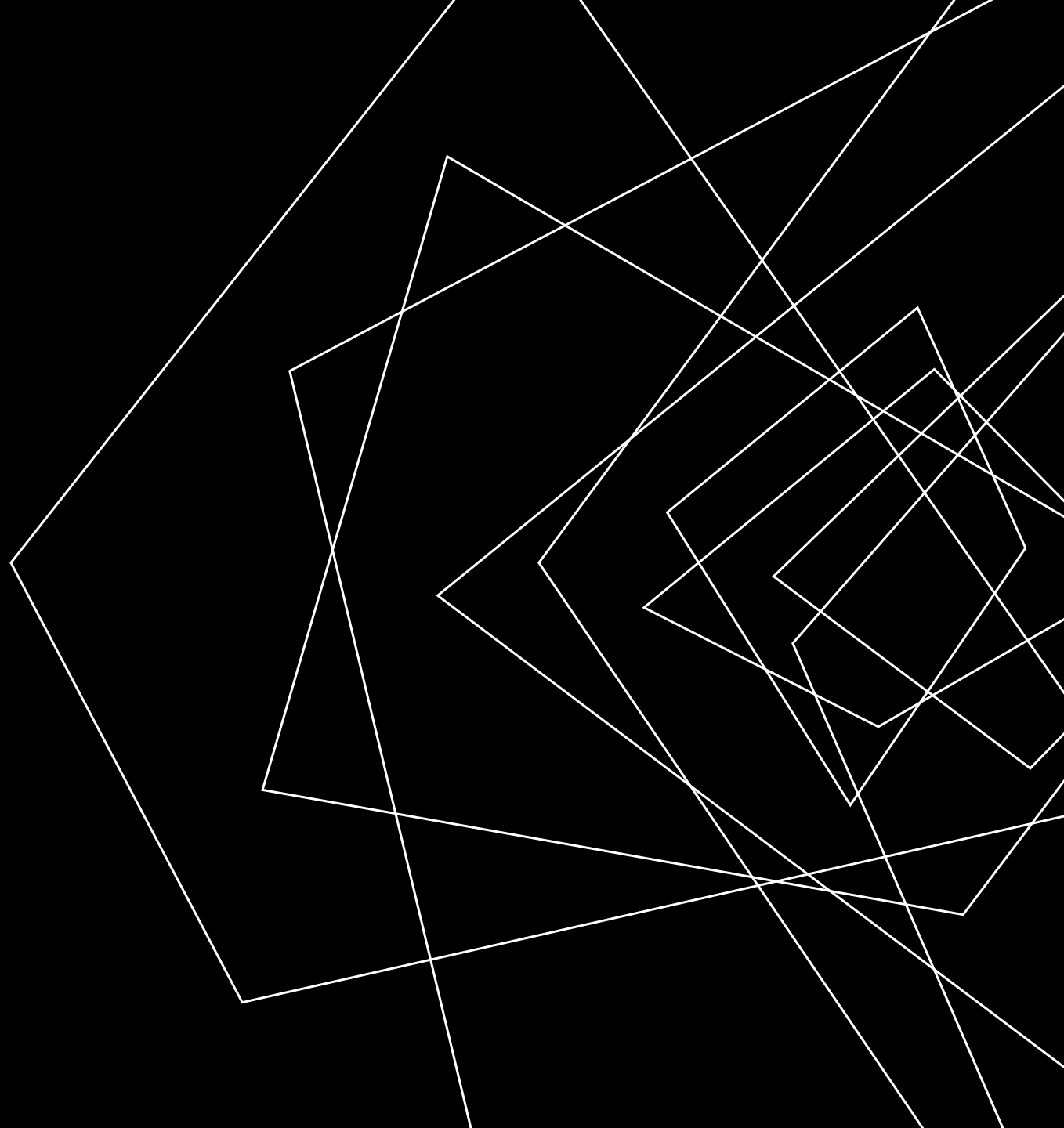
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	x	y	t
B1 in	{0-15}	{1-15}	{0,1}
B1 out	{0}	{2}	{0,1}
B2 in	{0-15}	{0-15} {0,2}	{0,1} {0,1}
B2 out	{0}	{0,2}	{0,1}
B3 in	{0-15}	{0-15}	{0,1}
B3 out	{0-15}	{0-15}	{0,1}
B4 in	{0-15} {0}	{0-15} {0,2}	{0,1} {0}
B4 out	{0}	{0,2}	{0}

LECTURE OUTLINE

- Handling cyclic dependency
- Termination
- Handling large value sets



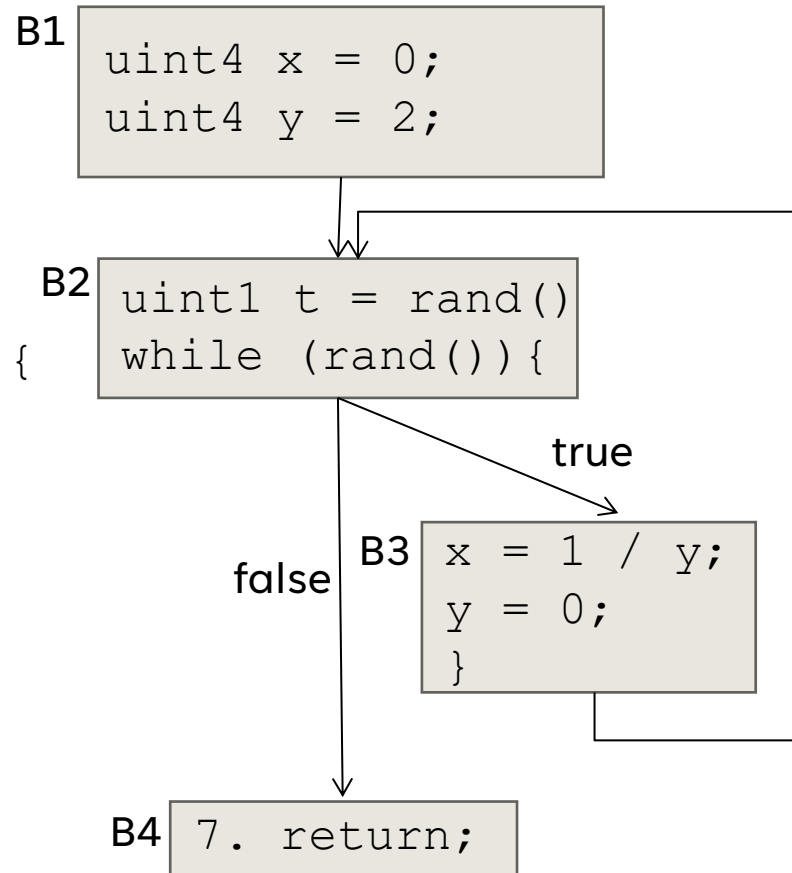
WHEN TO STOP ANALYSIS?

DATAFLOW ANALYSIS

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B3 in	{0}	{2,0}	{1}
B3 out	{0}	{0}	{1}
B4 in	{0}	{2,0}	{0}
B4 out	{0}	{2,0}	{0}

ANALYSIS PROGRESS

STATIC ANALYSIS: CONTROL FLOW GRAPHS

ANALYSIS ENDS WHEN THE FACT SETS REACH
SATURATION

- No additional elements will ever be added
- It sure would be nice if we could guarantee that this will happen!



When your fact sets couldn't possibly hold any more data

FIXED-POINTS

STATIC ANALYSIS: CONTROL FLOW GRAPHS

A FIXED-POINT (AKA FIXPOINT, FIXED POINT)

- A value that does not change under a given transformation

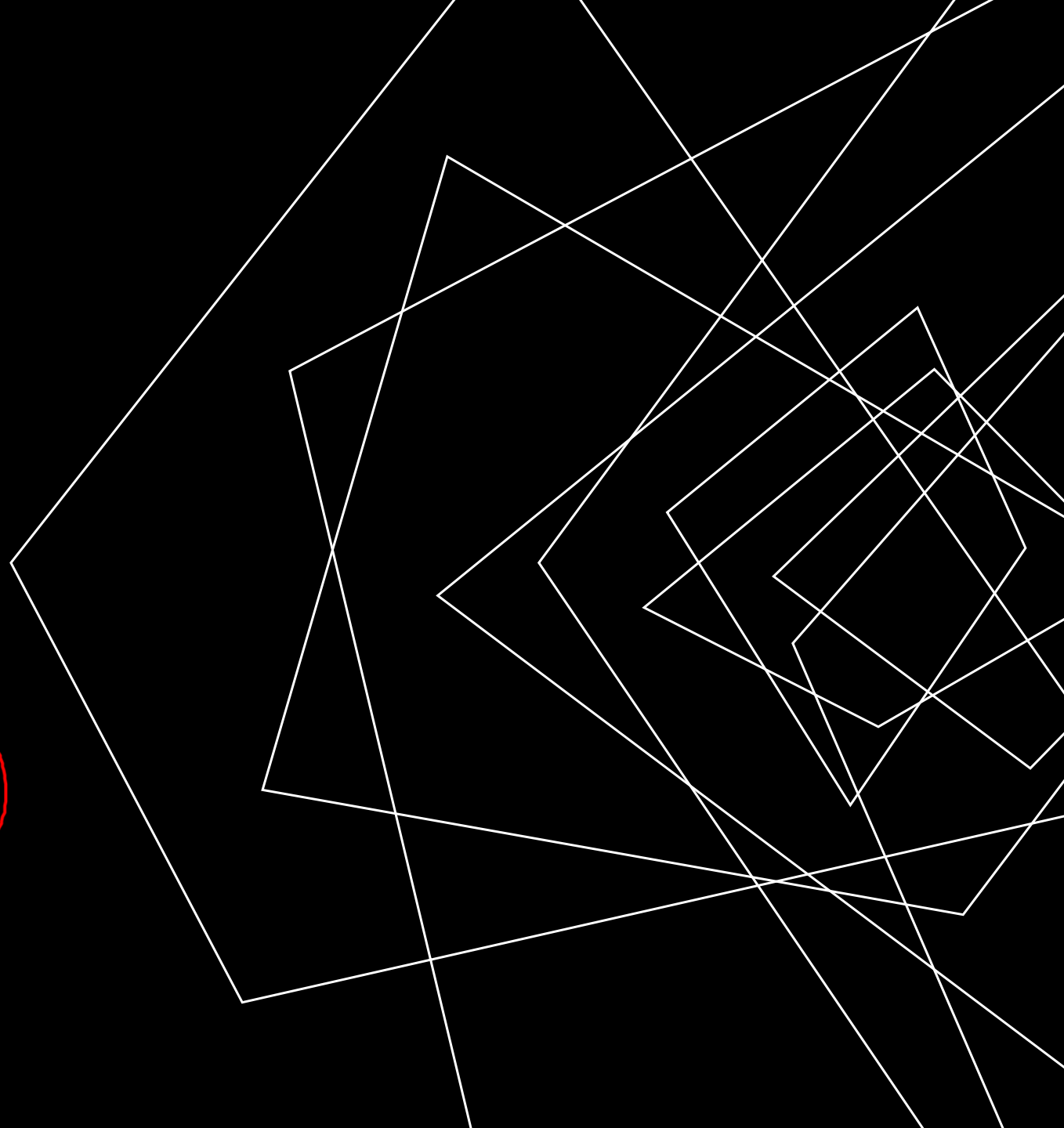
OUR VALUE-SET ANALYSIS WILL HAVE FACTS
THAT REACH A FIXED-POINT

Why?

- Finite set of configurations over INT32s
- Data transforms only add data to fact sets

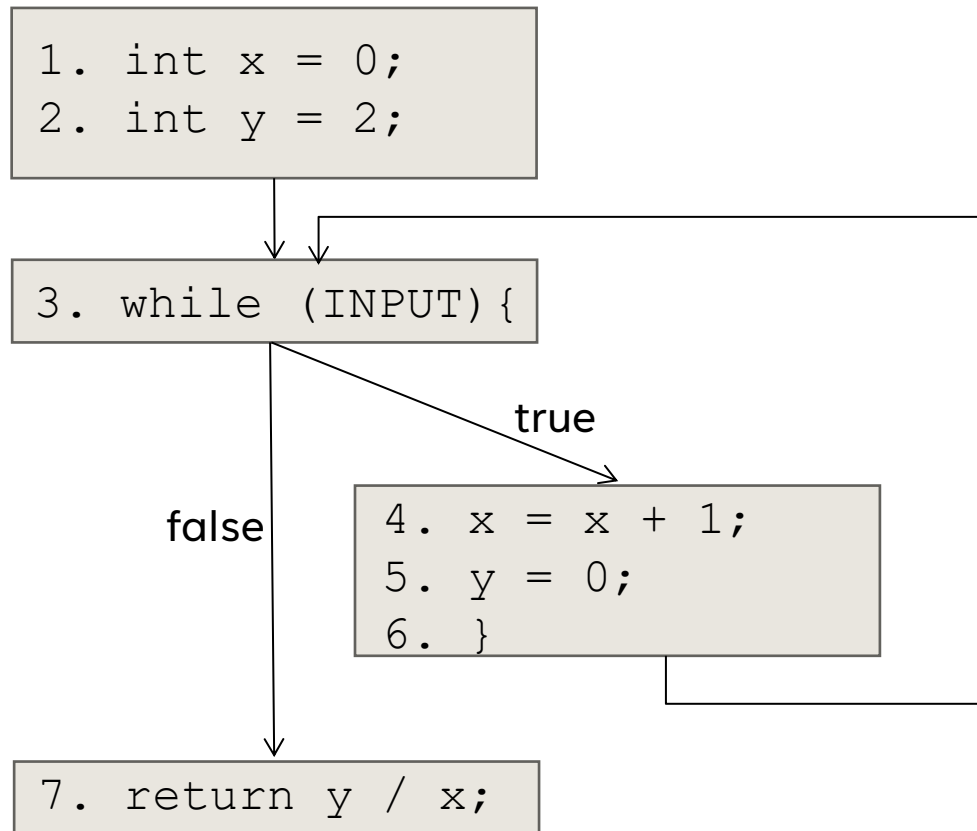
LECTURE OUTLINE

- Breaking cyclic dependency
- Termination
- Handling large value sets



WHERE TO STOP THIS ANALYSIS?

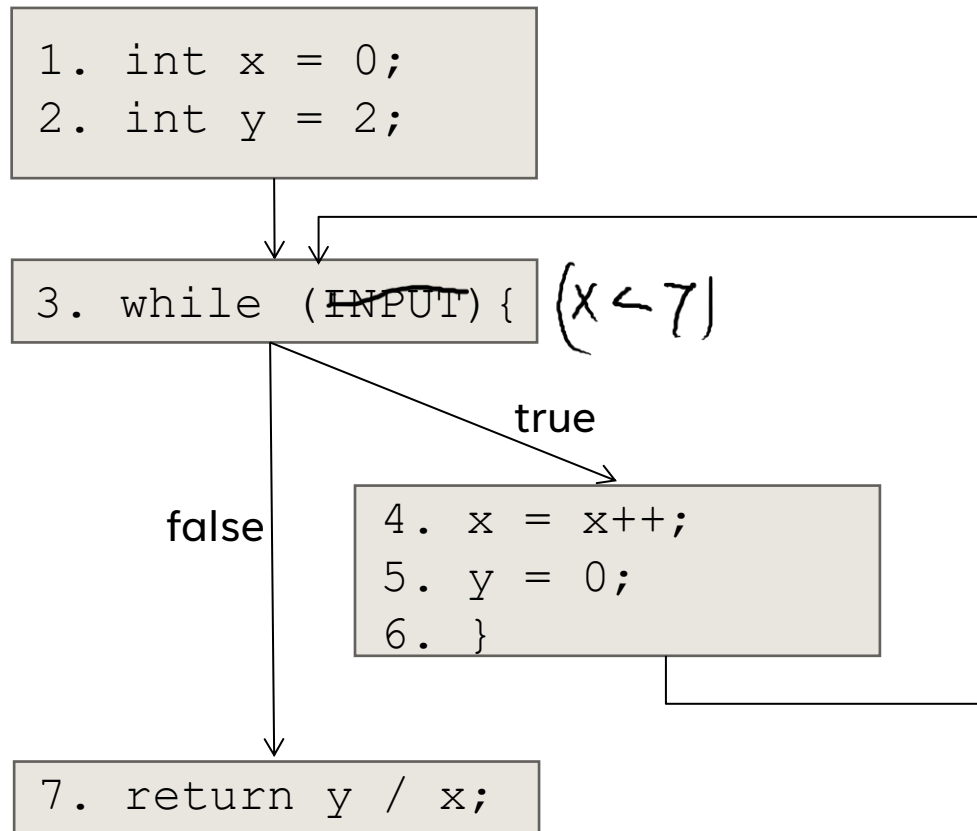
ANALYSIS TERMINATION



$x:0, y:2 \mid x:\{0,1\}, y:\{0,2\}, x:\{0,1,2\}, y:$
 $x:1, y:0 \mid x:\{1,2\}, y:\{0,2\}, x:\{1,2\}, y:\{0\}$

WIDENING

ANALYSIS TERMINATION



ACCELERATE PROGRESS TOWARDS FIX-POINT

- Lots of (over-approximate) ways to do this
- 1 simple idea: if we hit N values, immediately change the fact set to “All integers”

$x = \{ \text{MIN} - \text{MAX} \}$

LECTURE END!

*DESCRIBED SOME OF THE ISSUES AND FIXES
FOR DATAFLOW IN THE PRESENCE OF LOOPS*

- 1) Lack of distinct order blocks
 - chaotic iteration
- 2) Possibility of large value sets
 - widening