

# EXERCISE #21

## POINTS-TO ANALYSIS REVIEW

Write your name and answer the following on a piece of paper

*Draw the points-to relation from Andersen's analysis on the following function*

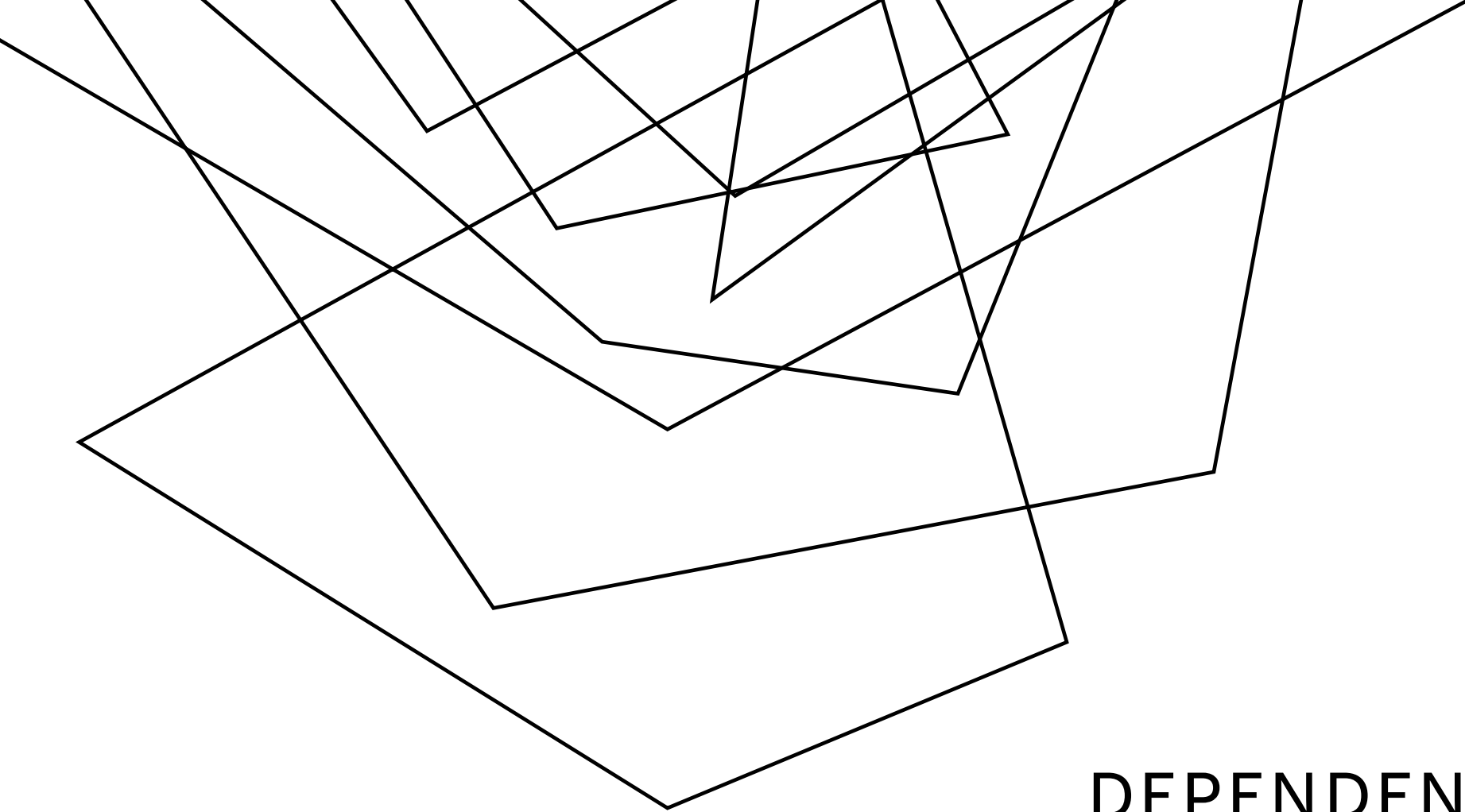
```
int main(){
    p = &x;
    if (x == 0){
        r = &p;
    } else {
        q = &y;
    }
    s = &q;
    r = s;
}
```

```
p := &x
r := &p
q := &y
s := &q
r := s
```

Assignment	Constraint
$a = \&b$	$a \supseteq \{b\}$
$a = b$	$a \supseteq b$
$a = *b$	$a \supseteq *b$
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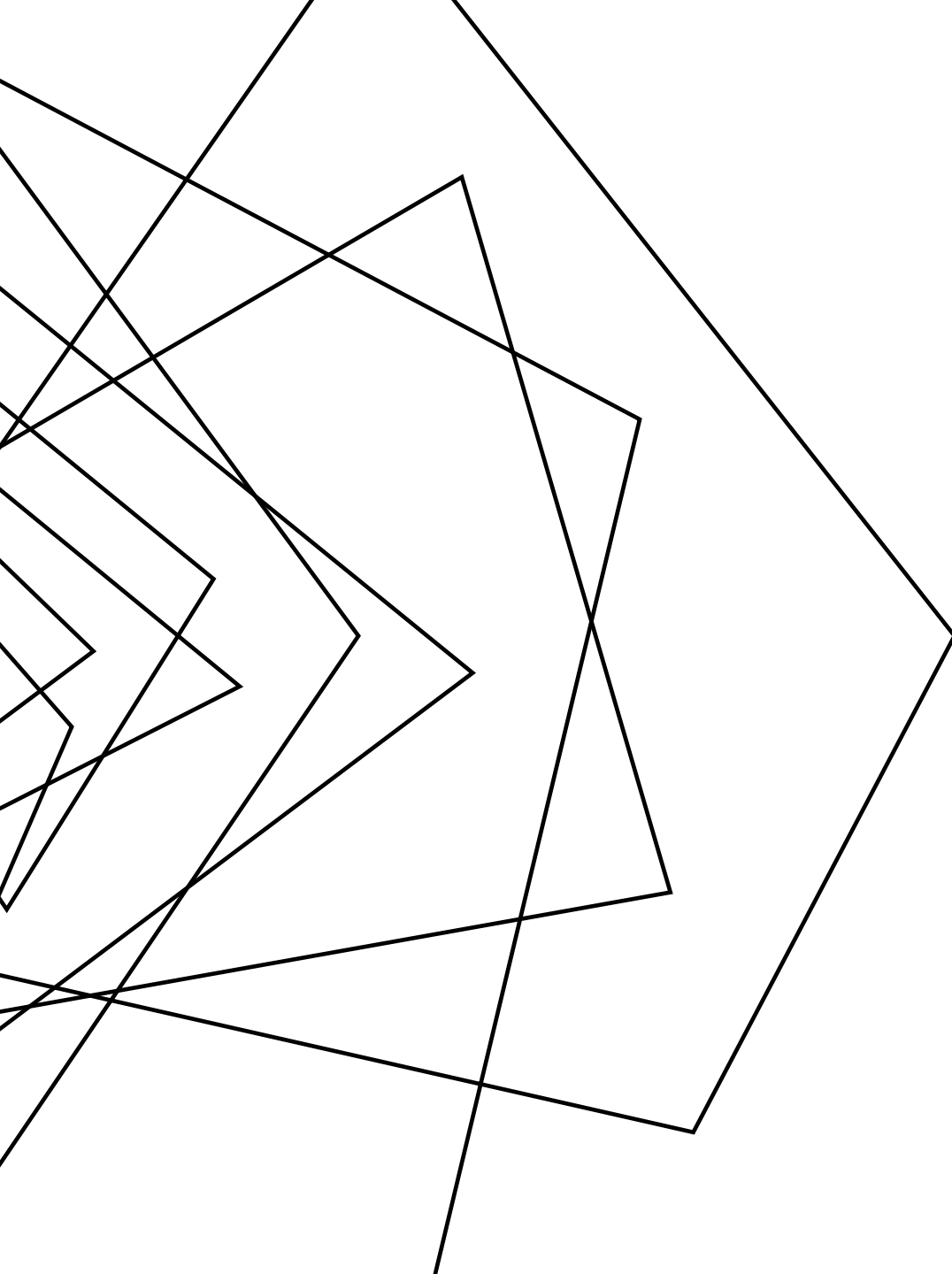
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# DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

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## **CLASS PROGRESS**

ANALYSIS UNDERLYING OUR  
ENFORCEMENT/EVALUATION NEEDS

# LAST TIME: POINTS-TO ANALYSIS

REVIEW: LAST LECTURE

CONSIDER WHERE EACH POINTER MIGHT POINT

## Efficiency vs Precision

- Dataflow facts as points-to sets
- Andersen's algorithm:
  - Flow-insensitive
  - Worst-case cubic time
- Steensgard's algorithm:
  - Flow-insensitive
  - Near-linear time



# LAST TIME: ANDERSEN'S ALGORITHM

## REVIEW: LAST LECTURE

### IN PRACTICE

#### Step 1

List pointer-related operations

#### Step 2

Induce set of subset constraints

#### Step 3

Solve system of constraints

#### Program

$p = \&a$

$p = \&b$

$m = \&p;$

$r = *m;$

$q = \&c;$

$m = \&q$

#### Constraints

$p \supseteq \{a\}$  ①

$p \supseteq \{b\}$  ②

$m \supseteq \{p\}$  ③

$r \supseteq *m$  ④

$q \supseteq \{c\}$  ⑤

$m \supseteq \{q\}$  ⑥

#### Initial

$\text{pts}(a) = \{\}$

$\text{pts}(b) = \{\}$

$\text{pts}(m) = \{\}$

$\text{pts}(p) = \{\}$

$\text{pts}(q) = \{\}$

$\text{pts}(r) = \{\}$

#### Final

$\text{pts}(a) = \{\}$

$\text{pts}(b) = \{\}$

$\text{pts}(m) = \{p, q\}$

$\text{pts}(p) = \{a, b\}$

$\text{pts}(q) = \{c\}$

$\text{pts}(r) = \{a, b, c\}$

### REACHABILITY FORMULATION

#### Step 1

List pointer-related operations

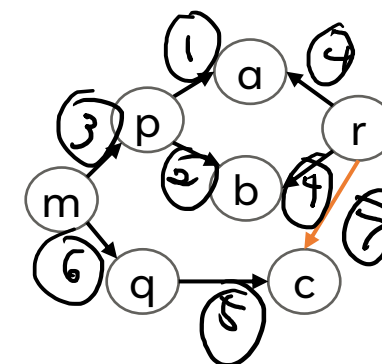
#### Step 2

Saturate points-to graph

#### Step 3

Compute node reachability

Assignment	Constraint	Meaning
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# LAST TIME: ANDERSEN'S ALGORITHM

## REVIEW: LAST LECTURE

### IN PRACTICE

#### Step 1

List pointer-related operations

#### Step 2

Induce set of subset constraints

#### Step 3

Solve system of constraints

### REACHABILITY FORMULATION

#### Step 1

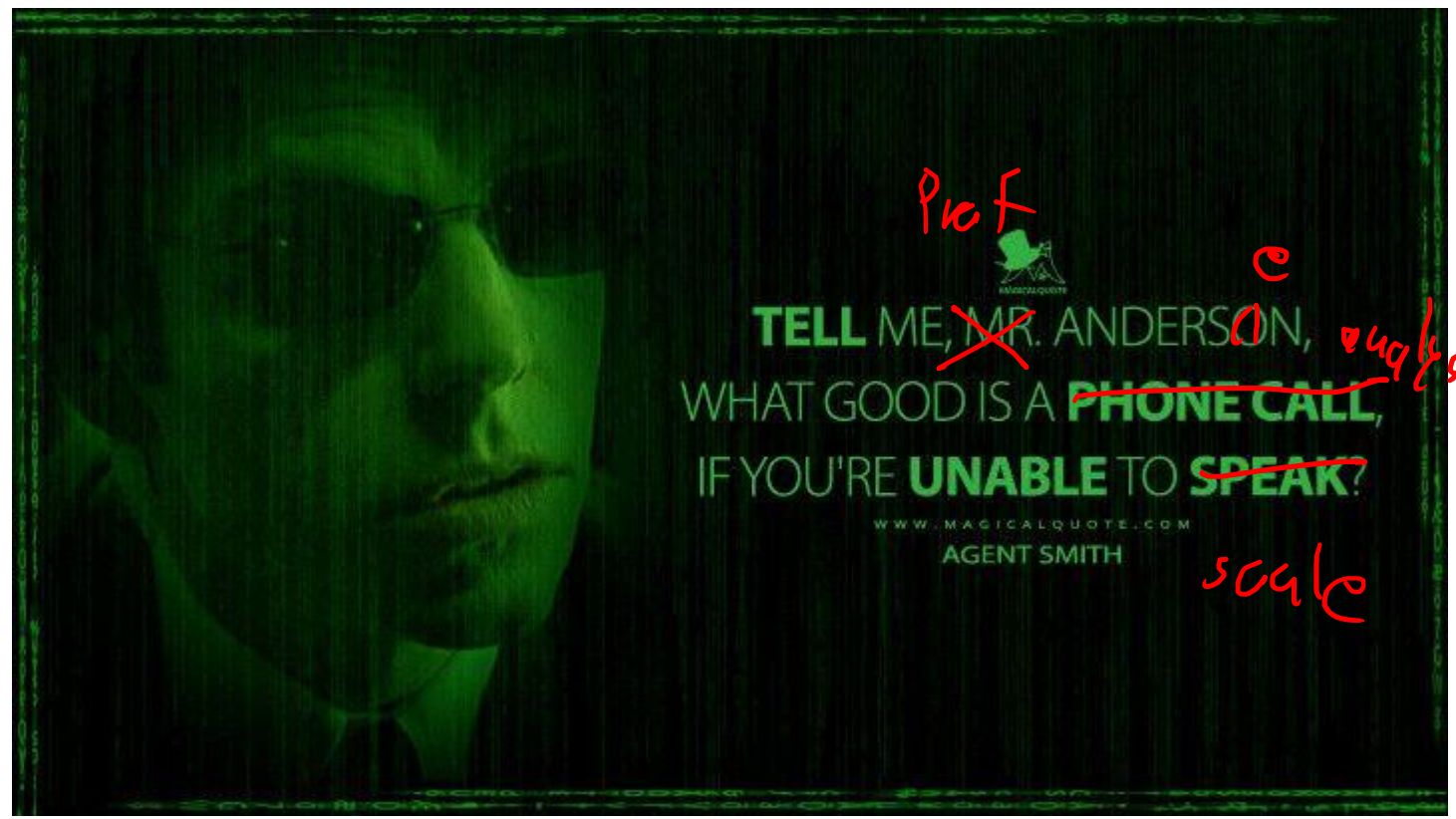
List pointer-related operations

#### Step 2

Saturate points-to graph

#### Step 3

Compute node reachability



# LAST TIME: STEENGARD'S ALGORITHM

REVIEW: LAST LECTURE

## IN PRACTICE

### Step 1

List pointer-related operations

### Step 2

**equality**

Induce set of ~~subset~~ constraints

### Step 3

Solve system of constraints

## REACHABILITY FORMULATION

### Step 1

List pointer-related operations

### Step 2

**1-out**

Saturate points-to graph

### Step 3

Compute node reachability

Andersen's

Assignment	Constraint	Meaning
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Steengard's

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# LAST TIME: STEENGARD'S ALGORITHM

## REVIEW: LAST LECTURE

### IN PRACTICE

#### Step 1

List pointer-related operations

#### Step 2

Induce set of equality constraints

#### Step 3

Solve system of constraints

### REACHABILITY FORMULATION

#### Step 1

List pointer-related operations

#### Step 2

Saturate 1-out points-to graph

#### Step 3

Compute node reachability

### Andersen's

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# LAST TIME: STEENGARD'S ALGORITHM

## REVIEW: LAST LECTURE

### IN PRACTICE

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#### Step 2

Induce set of equality constraints

#### Step 3

Solve system of constraints

### REACHABILITY FORMULATION

#### Step 1

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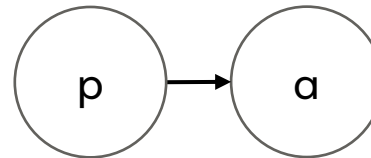
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Saturate 1-out points-to graph

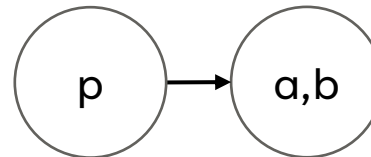
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Compute node reachability

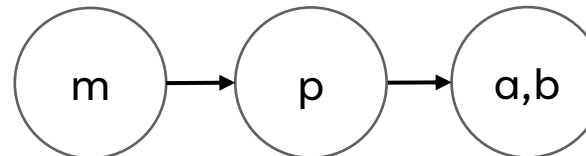
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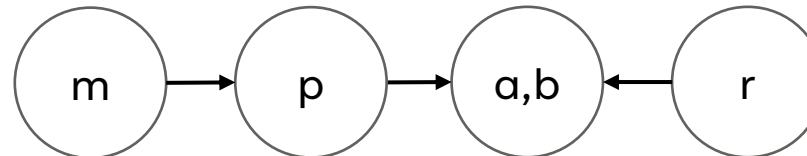
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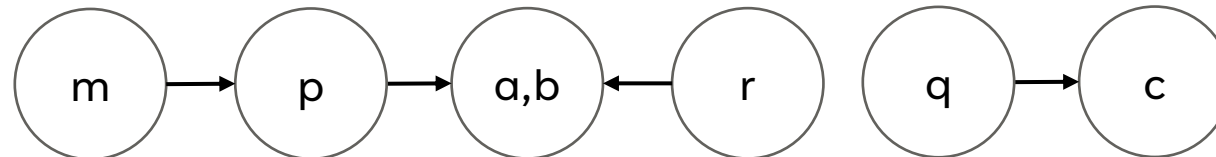
$m = \&p$



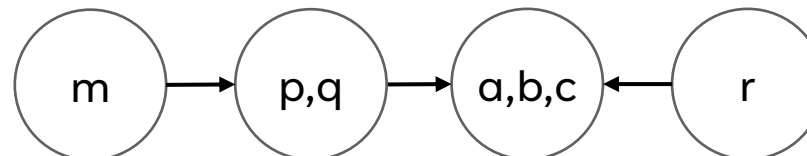
$r = *m$



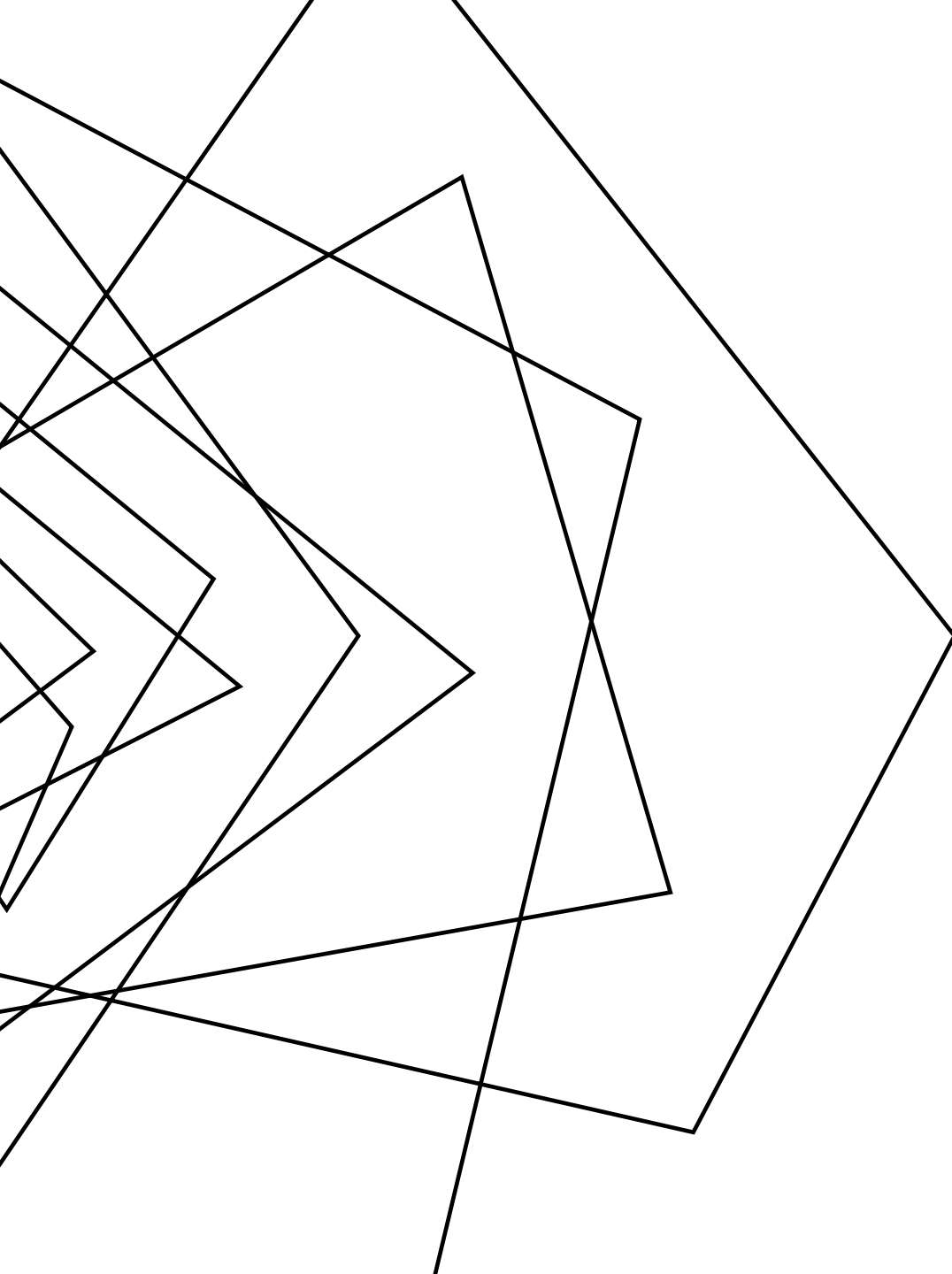
$q = \&c$



$m = \&q$



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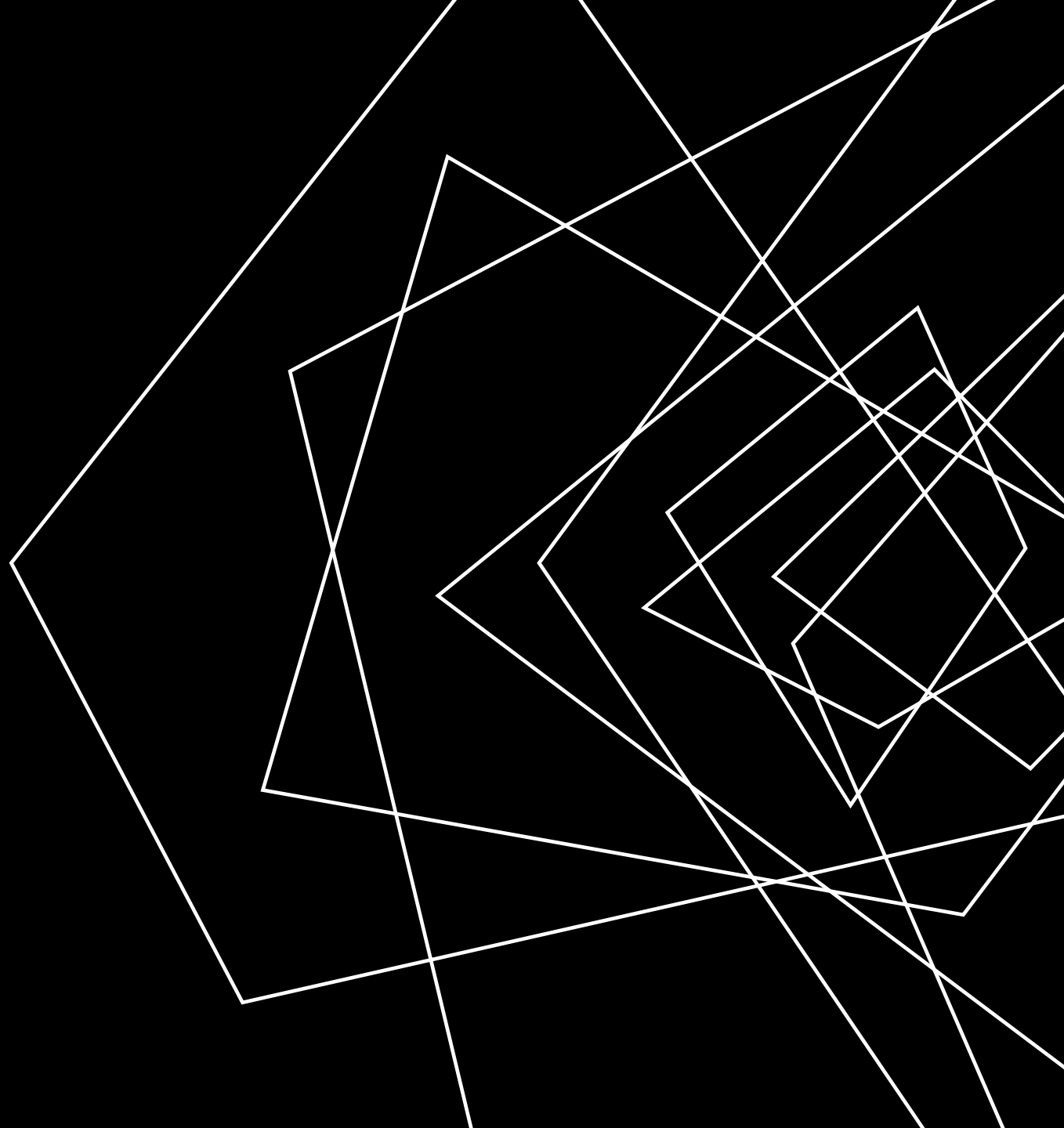


## **THIS LECTURE**

FOCUSING OUR ANALYSIS ON  
PARTICULAR PROGRAM ASPECTS OF  
INTEREST

# LECTURE OUTLINE

- Dependence relations
- Control dependence graphs (CDGs)



# WHY DOES STATEMENT X DO Y?

## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

OFTEN INTERESTED IN A SUBSET  
OF PROGRAM BEHAVIOR

What “influenced” statement X?

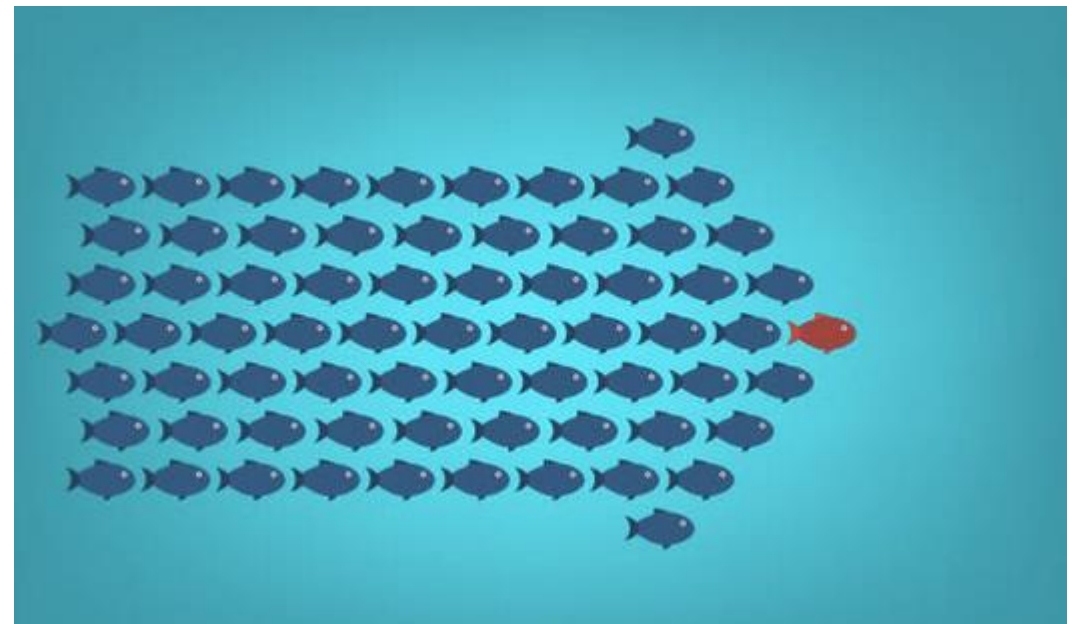
What did statement X “influence”?

USEFUL IN A VARIETY OF CONTEXTS

Consider a pointer... what might make it null?

ASSISTING SCALABILTY

Don't get lost in details unrelated to my pointer / bug



# APPLICATIONS

## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

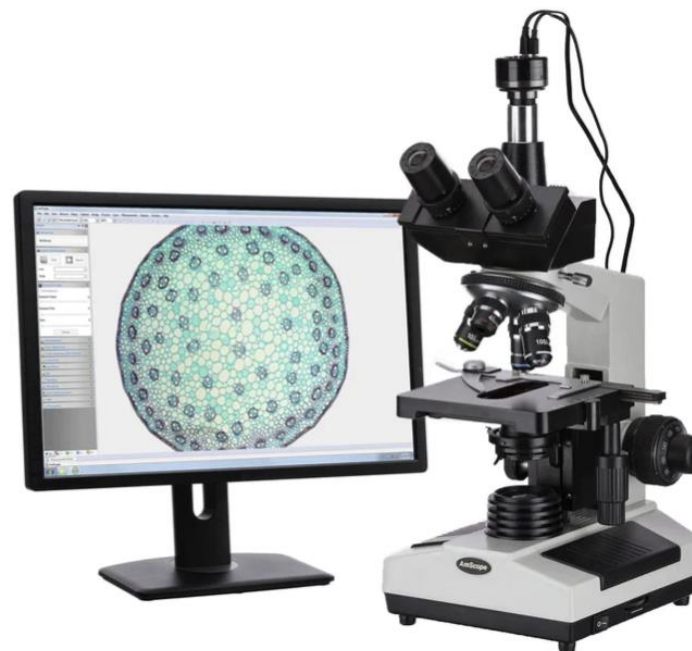
### PROACTIVE

What causes my program to crashing?

Does this statement leak data?

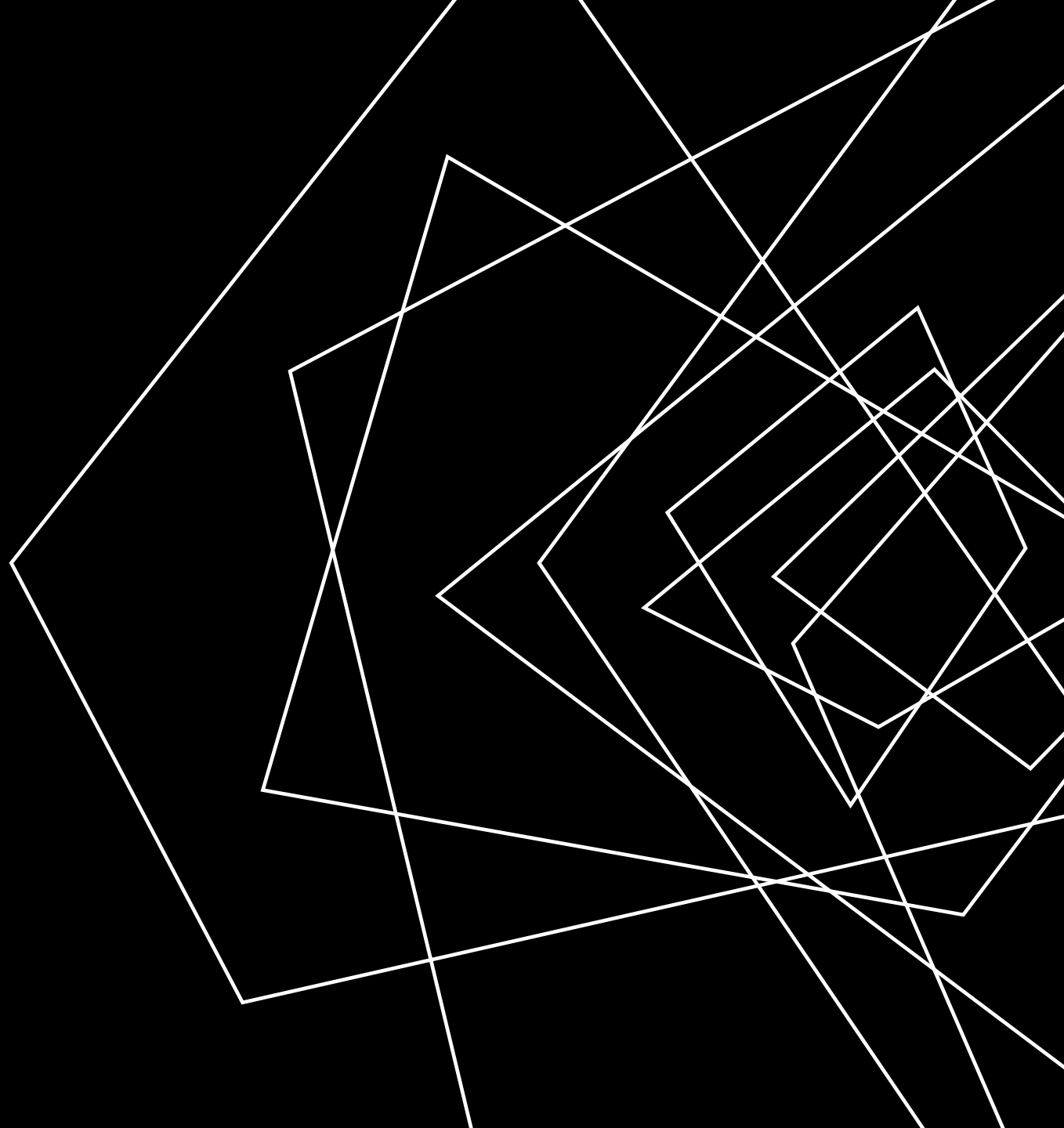
### REACTIVE

Zoom in on a suspicious operation



# LECTURE OUTLINE

- Dependence relations
- Control Dependence
- Data Dependence



# EXAMPLE

## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

### CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PROGRAM

Under what circumstances are various lines executed?

Print statement at line 3: *control-dependent* on line 2

Print statement at line 5: *control-dependent* on entry to function

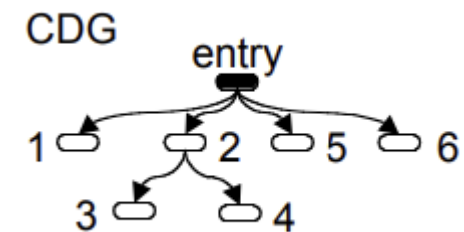
```

1: READ i;
2: if ( i == 1)
3:   PRINT "hi!"
   else
4:   i = 1;
5: PRINT i;
6: end

```

### CAPTURE THESE INSIGHTS IN A DATA STRUCTURE

The control dependence graph





# BUILDING THE CDG

## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

### INTUITION ON CONTROL DEPENDENCE

What is the closest statement are you guaranteed to execute?

### POSTDOMINATION

A Statement Y **postdominates** X  $\Leftrightarrow$  every path from X is guaranteed to go through Y, denoted X in PDOM(Y)

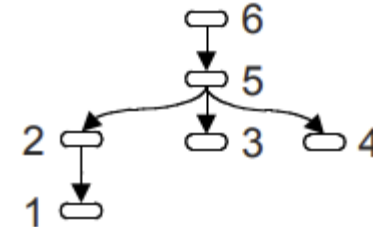
*Intuitively, X is "destined" to meet Y*

A Statement Y **immediately postdominates** X  $\Leftrightarrow$  X in PDOM(Y) and there is no intervening postdominator, denoted X in IPDOM(Y)

```

1: READ i;
2: if ( i == 1)
3:   PRINT "hi!"
   else
4:   i = 1;
5: PRINT i;
6: end

```



*Post domination tree*

# BUILDING THE CDG

## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

### (IMMEDIATE) FORWARD DOMINATORS

$X \text{ IN IPDOM}(Y) \Leftrightarrow Y \text{ in IFDOM}(X)$

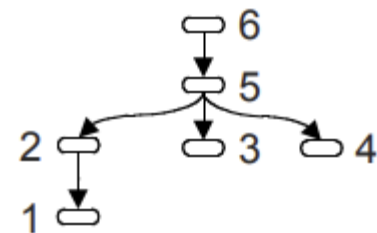
2 in IPDOM 5

5 in IFDOM 2

```

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5: PRINT i;
6: end

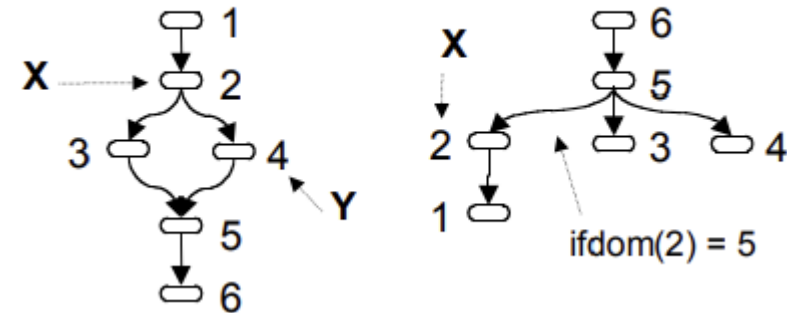
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# BUILDING THE CDG

## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

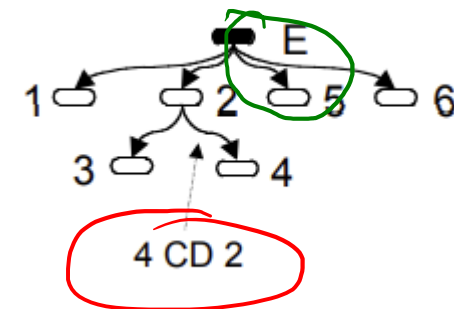
$Y$  is control dependent on  $X \Leftrightarrow$  there is a path in the CFG from  $X$  to  $Y$  that doesn't contain the immediate forward dominator of  $X$



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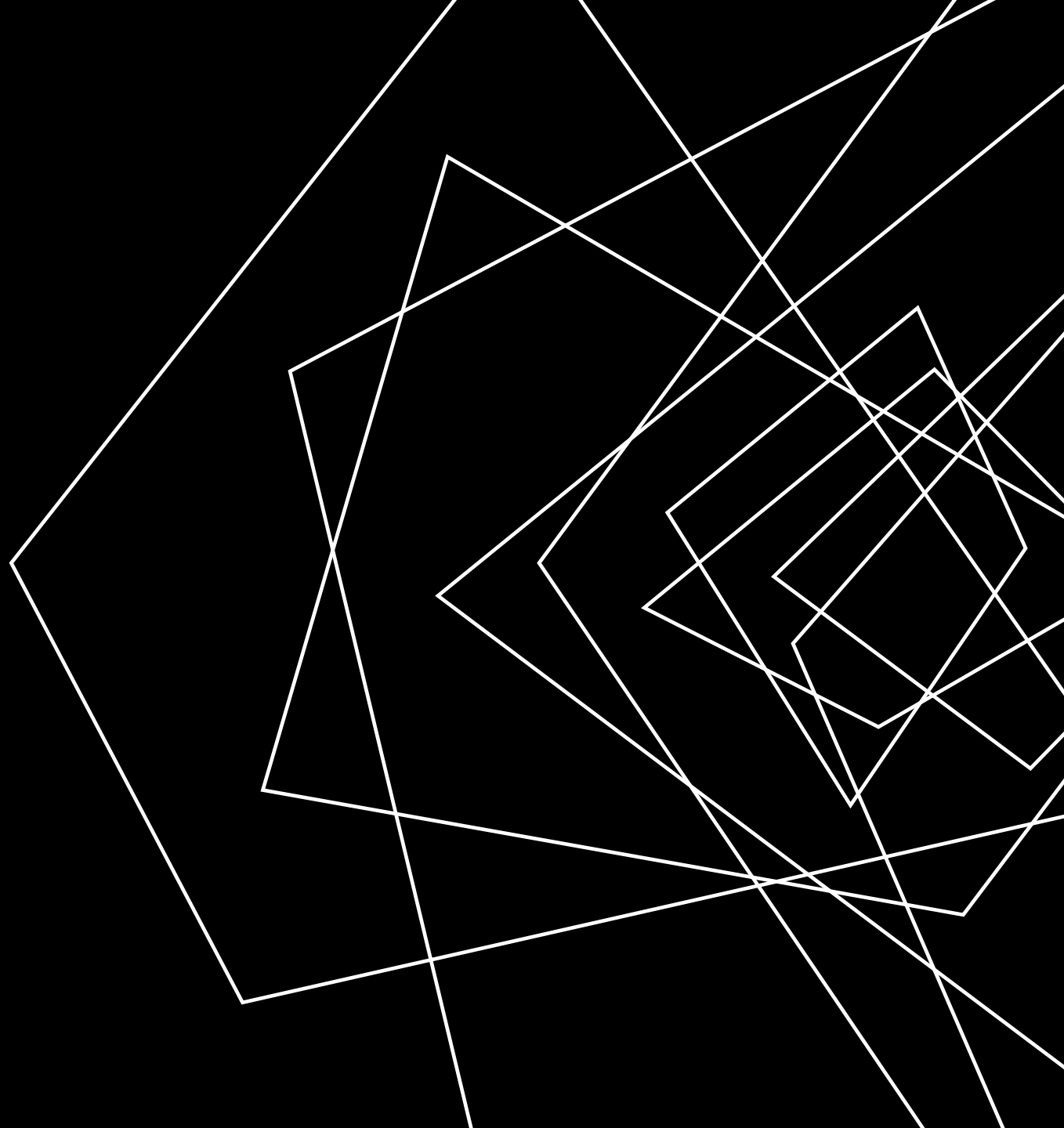
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what 2 does matters  
for reaching 4

# LECTURE OUTLINE

- Dependence relations
- Control Dependence
- Data Dependence



# DATA DEPENDENCE

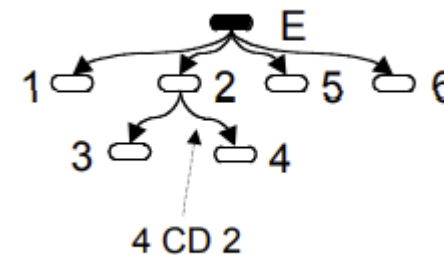
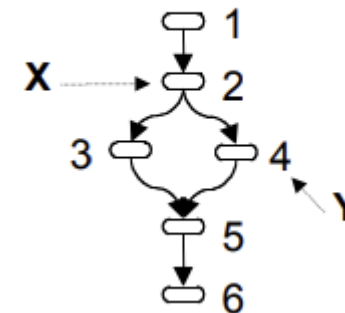
## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

Influence is more than control, it's also what values mattered to your behavior

```

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2: if ( i == 1)
3:     PRINT "hi!"
   else
4:     i = 1;
5: PRINT i;
6: end

```



*a value used by*

Note here: 1 might have set 5,  
but it's not control dependent!

# THE DATA DEPENDENCE GRAPH

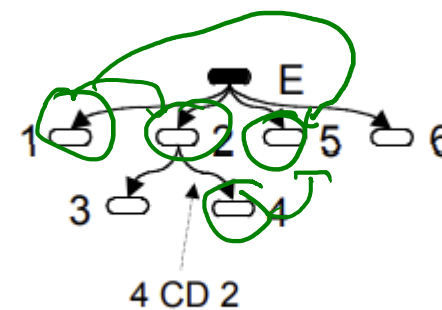
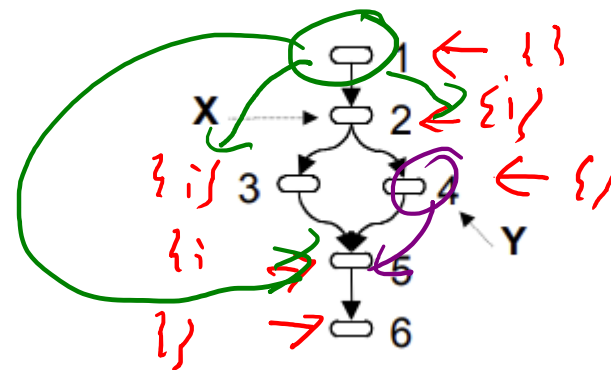
## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

Depiction of the *reaching definitions* of each statement

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5: PRINT i;
6: end

```



$$CDG + DDG = PDG$$

# NEXT TIME

## DEPENDENCE RELATIONS

### CONSIDER THE PROGRAM SLICE

Forward Slice: the portions of the program a given statement influences

Backwards Slice: the portions of the program influenced by a give statement

**WRAP-UP**

