Dominance frontiers and SSA optimizations

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1 Shreedar-Gao's Dominance Frontier Algorithm



FIGURE 1 – CFG

Q 1.1 Compute the dominator tree starting with the control flow graph presented in figure 1.

Q 1.2 Apply the *Shreedar-Gao's Dominance Frontier Algorithm*, briefly sketched below, to compute the dominance frontier for node 5 in figure 1.

```
0: DF[x] = empty set
1: for each y in SubTree(x) do
2: if(( arrow(y,z) == J-edge) and
3: (z.level <= x.level))
4: then add z to DF[x]
```

Q 1.3 Think about the algorithm's implementation, knowing that it uses a work list of nodes hashed by their level in the dominator tree and a visited flag to avoid visiting the same node more than once.

2 SSA optimizations

Now that we know where to place the ϕ functions, let's apply the code optimization techniques under SSA on the following example :

```
i=1;
j=1;
k=0;
while(k<100)
      {
        if(j<20)
            {
              j=i;
              k=k+1;
            }
        else
            {
              j=k;
              k=k+2;
            }
      }
return j;
}
```

Q 2.1 Build the CFG

- Q 2.2 Compute the dominance tree
- **Q 2.3** Find the dominance frontiers for placing the ϕ functions
- Q 2.4 Apply constant propagation
- Q 2.5 Use the additional reading on Conditional Constant Propagation to eliminate dead code.
- **Q 2.6** Once this is done, eliminate single-argument ϕ functions, and continue until ...