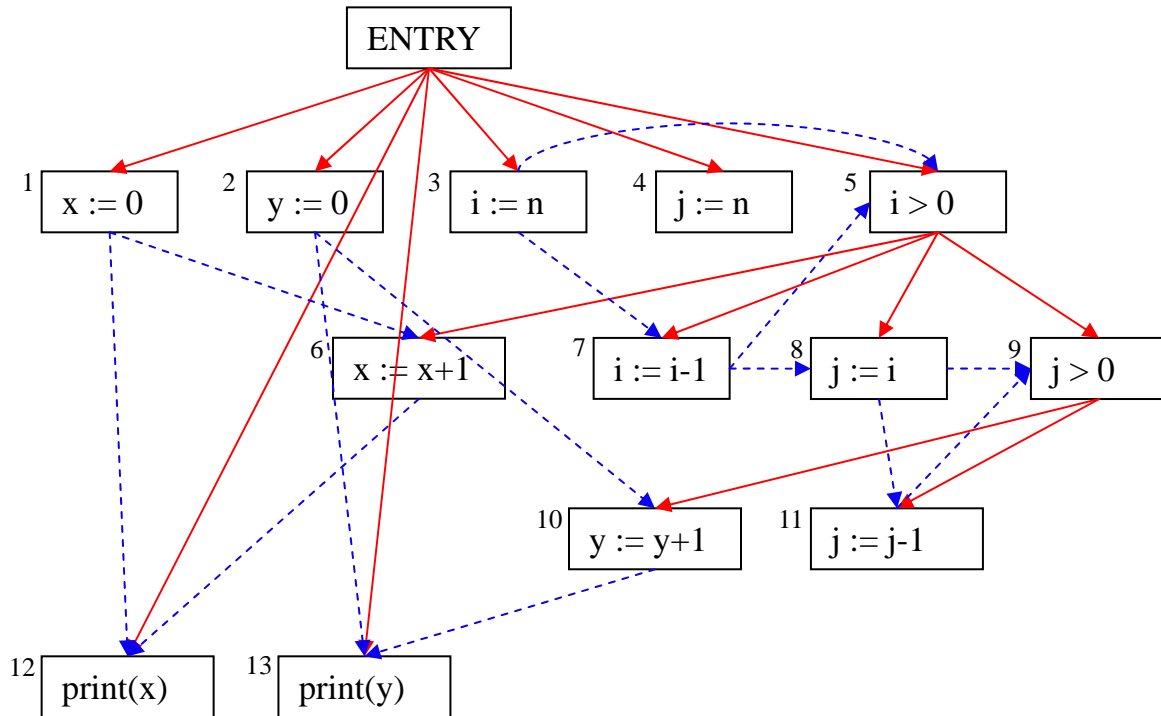


Software Verification

Exercise Solution: Slicing and Abstract Interpretation

1 Program slicing

(a)



(b)

Slicing criterion 12, i.e. print(x): ENTRY, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 12

i.e.

x := 0

i := n

while i > 0 **do**

x := x + 1

i := i - 1

end

print(x)

Slicing criterion 13, i.e. print(y): ENTRY, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13

i.e.

y := 0

i := n

while i > 0 **do**

 i := i - 1

 j := i

while j > 0 **do**

 y := y + 1

 j := j - 1

end

end

print(y)

Note that a slice shows which parts of the program contribute to the values of the variables that the slicing criterion statement uses (reads). This is the case because we use definition-use information to indicate data dependencies in the program dependence graph.

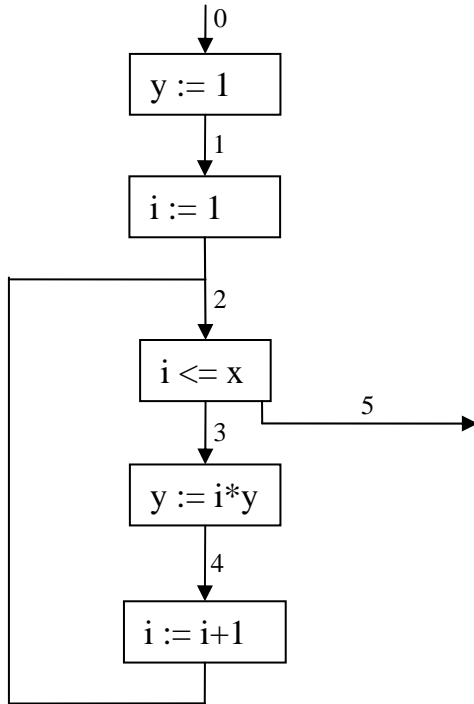
2 Abstract interpretation

(a)

		Iterations											Final answer	
A ₁	x	+												+
	y	T												T
A ₂	x	⊥	+				T					T		T
	y	⊥	+				+					T		T
A ₃	x	⊥		+				T					T	T
	y	⊥		+				+					T	T
A ₄	x	⊥			+				T					T
	y	⊥			+				T					T
A ₅	x	⊥				⊥				0				0
	y	⊥				+				+				T

(b) 1.

Once we eliminate the problematic minus operator, the analysis becomes more precise:



$$\begin{aligned}
 A_0 &= [x \mapsto +, y \mapsto \top, i \mapsto \top] \\
 A_1 &= A_0[y \mapsto +] \\
 A_2 &= A_1[i \mapsto +] \sqcup A_4[i \mapsto A_3(i) \oplus +] \\
 A_3 &= A_2 \\
 A_4 &= A_3[y \mapsto A_3(i) \otimes A_3(y)] \\
 A_5 &= A_2
 \end{aligned}$$

A_0	x	+
	y	\top
	i	\top
A_1	x	+
	y	+
	i	\top
A_2	x	+
	y	+
	i	+
A_3	x	+
	y	+
	i	+
A_4	x	+
	y	+
	i	+
A_5	x	+
	y	+
	i	+

(b) 2.

We use the domain $\wp(\{-,0,+ \} \times \{-,0,+ \})$ to represent the program state (x,y) . This is a so-called *relational analysis*. The relational analysis is more precise because the domain can express dependencies, or relationships, between x and y .

$$A_1 = \{(+,-), (+,0), (+,+)\}$$

$$A_2 = \{(x,+) \mid (x,y) \in A_1\} \cup \{(x,y') \mid (x',y') \in A_4 \text{ and } x \in x' \ominus +\}$$

$$A_3 = A_2 \cap \{(x,y) \mid x \in \{-,+\} \text{ and } y \in \{-,0,+\}\}$$

$$A_4 = \{(x',y) \mid (x',y') \in A_3 \text{ and } y \in x' \otimes y'\}$$

$$A_5 = A_2 \cap \{(0,y) \mid y \in \{-,0,+\}\}$$

	Iterations							Answer
A_1	$\{(+,-), (+,0), (+,+)\}$...	$\{(+,-), (+,0), (+,+)\}$
A_2	\emptyset	$\{(+,+)\}$			$\{(+,+), (0,+), (-,+)\}$...	$\{(+,+), (-,+), (0,+), (-,-)\}$
A_3	\emptyset		$\{(+,+)\}$			$\{(+,+), (-,+)\}$...	$\{(+,+), (-,+), (-,-)\}$
A_4	\emptyset			$\{(+,+)\}$...	$\{(+,+), (-,-), (-,+)\}$
A_5	\emptyset						...	$\{(0,+)\}$