Exercise Sheet 6



Interprocedural Slicing and Cache Analysis

Figure 1: Control flow graph for the example program

Exercise 6.1: 6 points

Figure 1 contains a simplified PDG of a part of the sample Java program introduced in the lecture. Extend and analyze the PDG as follows.

- 1. Compute the context-insensitive backwards slice of the final call to print(o.get()).
- 2. Explain why the slice you just computed is imprecise.
- 3. Extend the graph by *summary edges*. A summary edge represents a path from a formal parameter to the return value inside the invoked function.
- 4. Compute a slice using the same slicing criterion as in point 1 but with the context-*sensitive* 2-phase slicer. Which nodes are marked in the first phase, which in the second?

Exercise 6.2: 6 points

Consider the following program.

```
read a;
read b;
read a;
if (a>b) {
    read c;
    read d;
} else {
    read e;
    read e;
    read f;
}
read x;
read a;
```

- 1. Perform a "may" and a "must" cache analysis of this program assuming an LRU-cache with associativity 4 that is empty at the start of the program. Is it possible to determine whether the last access to **a** results in a cache hit or a cache miss? Does this change if we assume that the initial cache state is unknown?
- 2. We now assume that the cache uses the FIFO replacement policy. Could an analysis determine whether the last access to **a** results in a cache hit or a cache miss if the cache is empty at the start of the program? Does this change if we assume that the initial cache state is unknown?