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DATAFLOW ANALYSIS 3

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Welcome back!

Some Administrativa:

- ▶ Quiz deadlines: some slack if you missed a deadline
 - ▶ 8 days buffer (cumulative across all quizzes), not counting weekends

Questions?

Lecture Overview

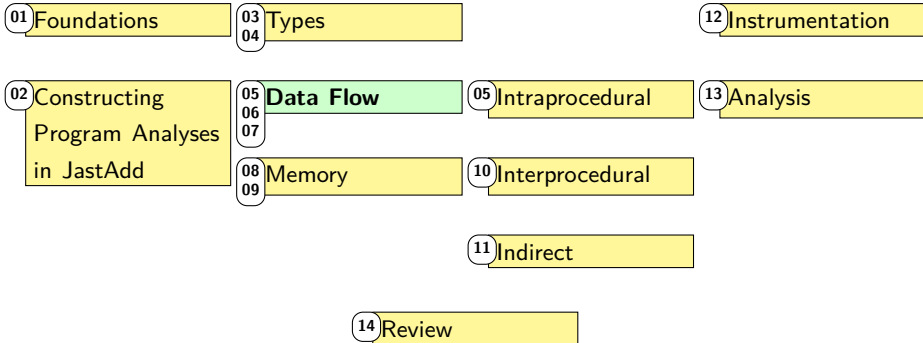
Foundations

Static Analysis

Dynamic
Analysis

Properties

Control Flow

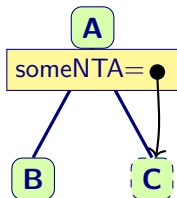


Non-Terminal Attributes

JastAdd

```
syn nta C AnyNode.someNTA() = new C(this);
```

- ▶ AST node as attribute
- ▶ Reifying implicit constructs (making them explicit in AST)
 - ▶ Built-in types
 - ▶ Built-in functions, constants
 - ▶ “Null Objects”, handle missing declarations (⇒ EDAN65)



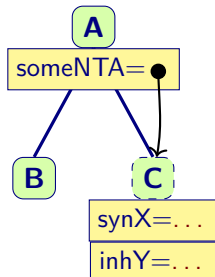
Beware

- ▶ NTAs must be **fresh** objects
- ▶ AST will be inconsistent if you re-use nodes
JastAdd does not check for this!

Non-Terminal Attributes

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- ▶ NTA may have attributes
- ▶ Owner node must provide inherited attributes
`A.someNTA().inhY() = ...`

Summary

- ▶ Nonterminal Attributes (NTAs):
 - ▶ “Synthetic” AST node
 - ▶ Useful e.g. for CFG nodes that have no AST equivalent
 - ▶ Need to be *fresh*
 - ▶ Need to be owned by exactly one parent
- ▶ Function like normal AST nodes
 - ▶ Can define / inherit attributes
 - ▶ Can participate in collection attributes

Building CFGs

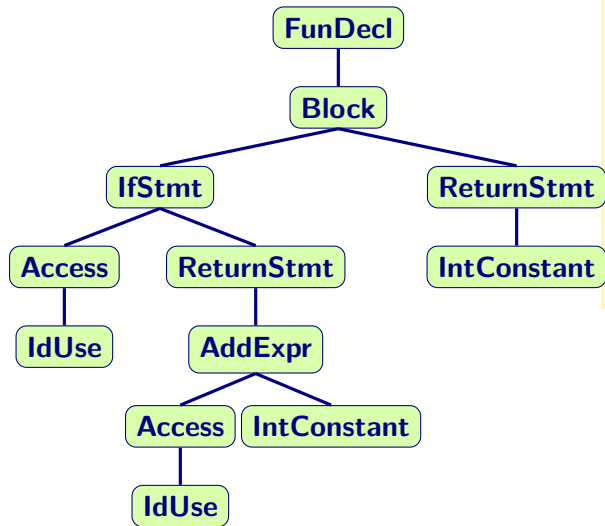
▶ 1. CFG separate from AST

- ▶ AST \Rightarrow CFG translation
- ▶ Often simplified
- ▶ *Advantages:*
 - ▶ Fewer CFG node types
 - ▶ Analyses can communicate results by transforming CFG (Remove unreachable CFG nodes etc.)
 - ▶ *Common in compiler mid-ends/back-ends*

▶ 2. **CFG is part of AST**

- ▶ *Some* AST nodes are also CFG nodes
- ▶ *Advantages:*
 - ▶ No translation needed
 - ▶ *Common in compiler front-ends and IDEs*
 - ▶ **Teal:** Uses JastAdd's IntraCFG framework

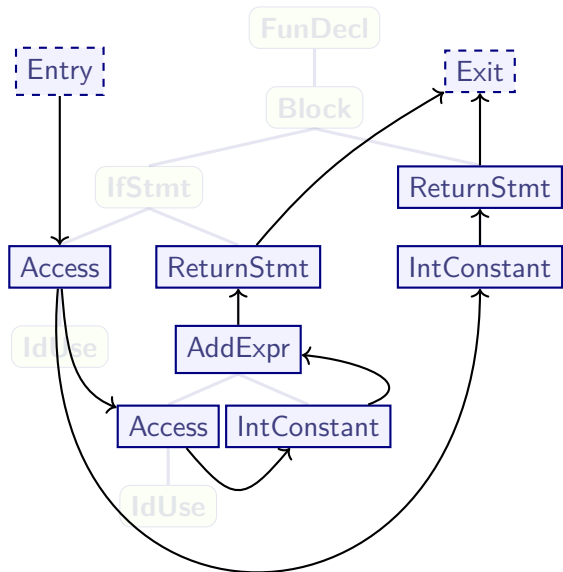
CFGs on the AST



Teal

```
fun f(x) = {  
  if x {  
    return x + 1;  
  }  
  return 0;  
}
```

CFGs on the AST



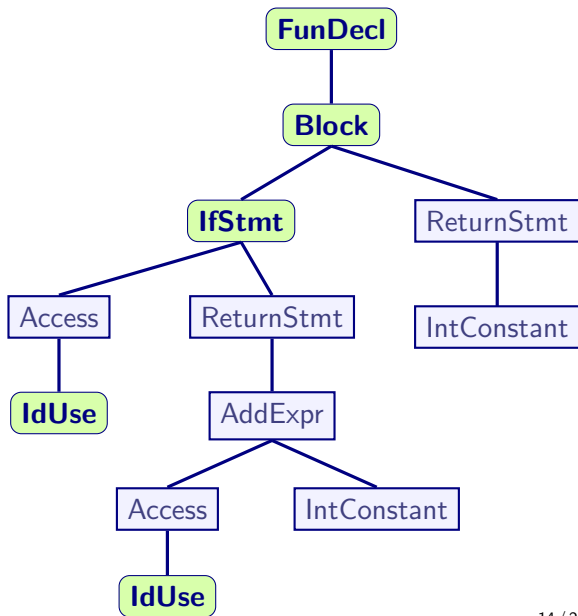
- ▶ Some **ASTNode**s are **CFGNodes**
 - ▶ For example, **Teal**:
 - ▶ All **Expr**, some **Stmt**
 - ▶ Special NTAs: **Entry**, **Exit**,...
- ▶ **CFGNode.succ()** attribute for CFG successors: **N1** → **N2**

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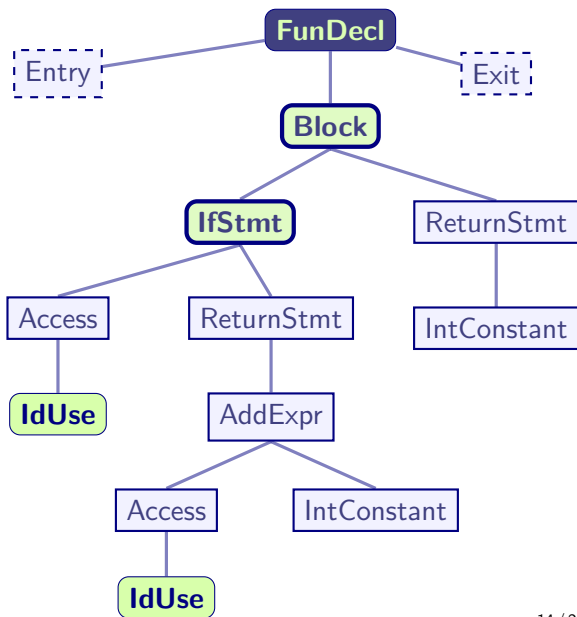
- ▶ Categorise AST nodes by role in CFG
 - ▶ **CFGNode**: part of CFG



Constructing CFGs on the AST (1/2)

► Categorise AST nodes by role in CFG

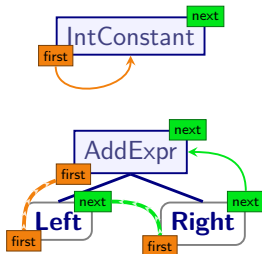
- **CFGNode**: part of CFG
- **CFGRoot**: start/end of CFG with **Entry** / **Exit** NTAs (e.g., FunDecl)
- **CFGSupport**: not part of CFG but influence CFG edges



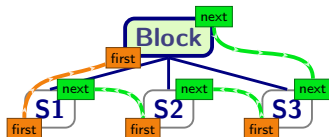
Constructing CFGs on the AST (2/2)

```
interface CFGNode extends CFGSupport;  
    → syn Set CFGSupport.firstNodes()  
    → inh Set CFGSupport.nextNodes()
```

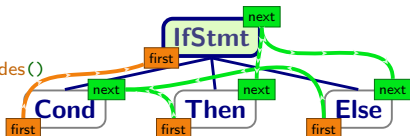
```
AddExpr.firstNodes() = getLeft().firstNodes()  
AddExpr.getLeft().nextNodes() = getRight().firstNodes()  
AddExpr.getRight().nextNodes() = new Set({this})
```



```
BlockStmt.firstNodes() = getStmt(0).firstNodes()  
BlockStmt.getStmt(i).nextNodes() =  
    if (i < size): getStmt(i+1).firstNodes()  
    else: this.nextNodes()
```



```
IfStmt.firstNodes() = getCond().firstNodes()  
IfStmt.getCond().nextNodes() =  
    getThen().firstNodes() ∪ getElse().firstNodes()  
IfStmt.getThen().nextNodes() = this.nextNodes()  
IfStmt.getElse().nextNodes() = this.nextNodes()
```



Constructing CFGs on the AST (1/2)

- ▶ Categorise AST nodes by role in CFG

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- ▶ **ASTNode**s: can ignore

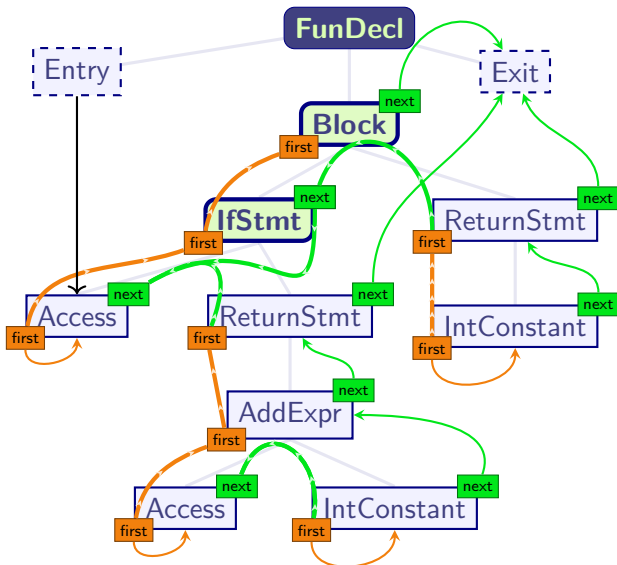
- ▶ Construct edges

- ▶ For each subtree: first CFGNodes in subtree?
- ▶ For each CFGNode: next CFGNodes after self?

→ succ()

→ firstNodes()

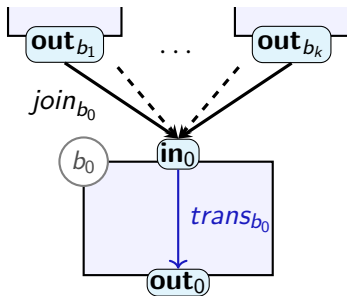
→ nextNodes()



Summary

- ▶ CFG can be separate or overlaid on AST
- ▶ **Teal** uses an overlay CFG
- ▶ **CFGNodes** are:
 - ▶ ASTNodes that participate in CFG
 - ▶ Some NTAs:
 - ▶ **Entry**: Subprogram start
 - ▶ **Exit**: Subprogram end
 - ▶ Others can be useful e.g. for exception handling
- ▶ Constructing CFG with IntraCFG:
 - ▶ **firstNodes**: For this *subtree*, which CFGNodes execute first?
synthesised attribute
 - ▶ **nextNodes**: For this *CFGNode*, which CFGNodes execute next?
inherited attribute

Implementing Data Flow Analysis



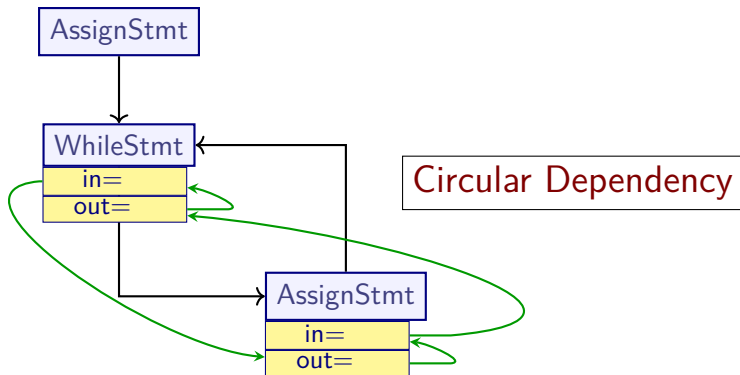
JastAdd

```
syn Lattice CFGNode.in() {  
    Lattice r =  $\perp$ ;  
    for (CFGNode b: pred()) {  
        r = r  $\sqcup$  b.out();  
    }  
    return r;  
}  
  
syn Lattice CFGNode.out() =  
    trans();
```

JastAdd

```
// Default: trans() = in()  
syn Lattice CFGNode.trans() = in();  
  
// Specialised transfer function  
syn Lattice AssignStmt.trans() = ...
```

Fixpoints and Reference Attributes



This solution is *not well-defined*

Fixpoints from Circular Attributes

JastAdd

```
syn Lattice CFGNode.out() circular [Lattice.bottom()];
```

↑
Lattice

↙
⊥

► Circular Attributes

- JastAdd allows circular dependency *if explicitly declared*
- `CFGNode.out()` can now recursively call itself
 - $v_1 = \perp$ = `CFGNode.out()` at iteration 1
 - v_2 = `CFGNode.out()` at iteration 2
 - ...
 - v_k = `CFGNode.out()` at iteration k
- Iterates until $v_{k-1}.equals(v_k)$

Beware

- Your lattice must have a correct `equals()` method
- You must be in a monotone framework

*JastAdd can **not** check for this!*

Implementation Strategy

- Definitions for analysis a on lattice \mathcal{L} :

Attribute	Forward	Backward
$\mathcal{L} \ a \text{In}()$	$\bigsqcup\{p. a \text{Out}() \mid p \in \text{pred}()\}$	$a \text{Transfer}()$
$\mathcal{L} \ a \text{Transfer}()$	$\text{trans}(a \text{In}())$	$\text{trans}(a \text{Out}())$
$\mathcal{L} \ a \text{Out}():$	$a \text{Transfer}()$	$\bigsqcup\{p. a \text{In}() \mid p \in \text{succ}()\}$

- Not necessary to declare all attributes as circular
 - Only one attribute in each cycle need be circular
- ... but can declare circular if unsure

Combining with Expressions

- ▶ Data flow analysis resolves *flow-sensitive* information
- ▶ May still combine with simple synthesised attributes
Example: Constant propagation / folding
 - ▶ computing `Expr.constantValue()`
 - ▶ `Access.constantValue() ← constantOut()`
 - ▶ but `AddExpr.constantValue()` will not typically use `constantOut()` / `constantIn()` directly
 - ▶ uses `getLeft().constantValue()` / `getRight().constantValue()`

Summary

- ▶ Attributes that depend on themselves:
Usually \implies *AG not well-defined*
- ▶ **Circular** attributes are exception
 - ▶ JastAdd suppresses recursion check
 - ▶ Repeated evaluation
 - ▶ Evaluation stops once current result `.equals()` last result
- ▶ It is up to attribute definition to guarantee termination!
 - ▶ Monotone framework
 - ▶ *Finite lattice height*
 - ▶ (Or *widening*, later today)

Summary and Outlook

- ▶ Summary:
 - ▶ Non-Terminal Attributes
 - ▶ Building CFGs
 - ▶ Circular Attributes
- ▶ Next up: Analysing the Heap

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