

Alias Analysis and Load/Store Elimination

15-411/15-611 Compiler Design

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Today

- Alias analysis
- Load elimination
- Load-store forwarding
- Store elimination
- Lame alias analysis with SSA

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- Only if $p \neq q$
- That is, only if p and q do not alias

Alias Analysis

- Determines if two memory accesses are
 - Definitely different
 - Definitely the same
 - Maybe the same
- So far, optimizations (e.g., const prop, copy prop, ...) work on temps/registers
- SSA exposes explicit dataflow
- Memory/Pointers are less explicit dataflow
- Alias analysis helps uncover dataflow between memory references

Alias Analysis Unlocks Optimizations

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```

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```
foo () {  
    int a, k;  
    extern int *q;  
    ...  
    // maybe &a or &k  
    ...  
    k = a+6;  
    f(a, &k);  
    *q = 13;  
    k = a+6;  
    ...  
}
```

CSE on Memory

```
struct point {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
};  
typedef struct point pt;  
  
void mult(int[] A, pt* p, pt* q) {  
    q->x = A[0] * p->x + A[1] * p->y;  
    q->y = A[2] * p->x + A[3] * p->y;  
    return;  
}
```

```
mult(A, p, q) :  
    t0 ← M[A + 0]  
    t1 ← M[p + 0]  
    t2 ← t0 * t1  
    t3 ← M[A + 4]  
    t4 ← M[p + 4]  
    t5 ← t3 * t4  
    t6 ← t2 + t5  
    M[q + 0] ← t6  
    t8 ← M[A + 8]  
    t9 ← M[p + 0]  
    t10 ← t8 * t9  
    t11 ← M[A + 12]  
    t12 ← M[p + 4]  
    t13 ← t11 * t12  
    t14 ← t10 + t13  
    M[q + 4] ← t14  
    return
```

Alias Analysis Unlocks Optimizations

- Load/Store Elimination
- Load/Store Forwarding
- Code Motion
- Constant Propagation through memory
- Etc.

Source of Aliases

- Pass by reference parameters
- Address of operator
- Address arithmetic
- Dereferencing pointers
- Array subscripting ←
- Non-local variables
- Assignment




Aliasing Possibilities

- Pascal
 - Only has pointers to objects and arrays
 - Objects and their fields are statically typed
 - No pointers to locals
 - Call-by-value and call by reference
 - Nested procedures

Aliasing Possibilities

- C
 - unions
 - pointers to structs and arrays
 - pointers to locals
 - pointers to fields
 - pointers to array elements
 - pointer arithmetic
 - type punning

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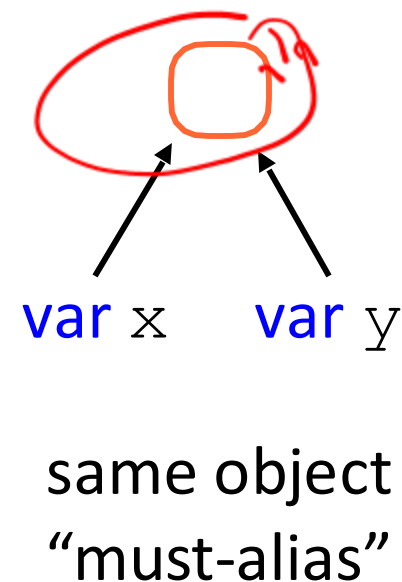
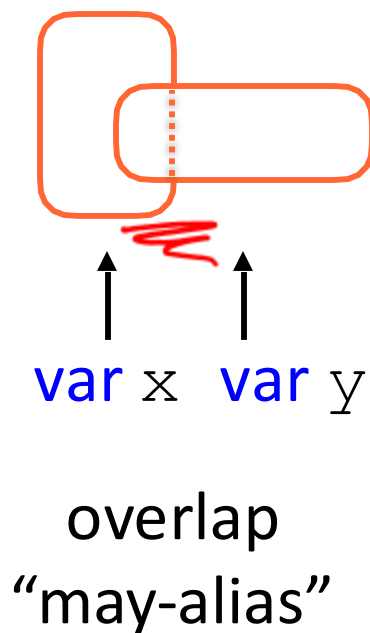
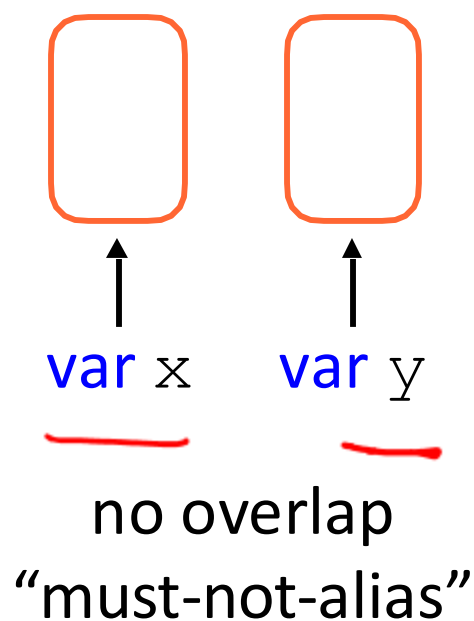
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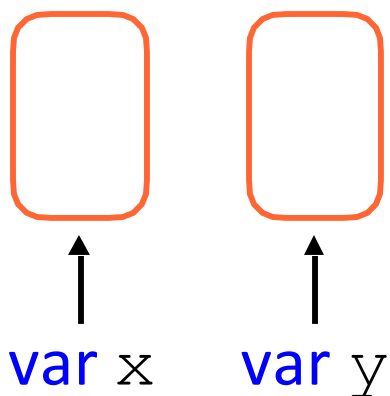
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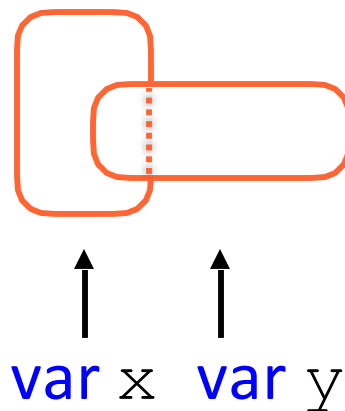
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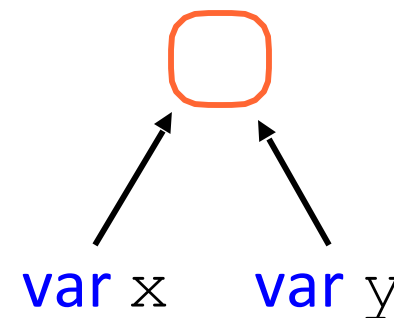
no overlap
“must-not-alias”

reorder at will



overlap
“may-alias”

treat conservatively

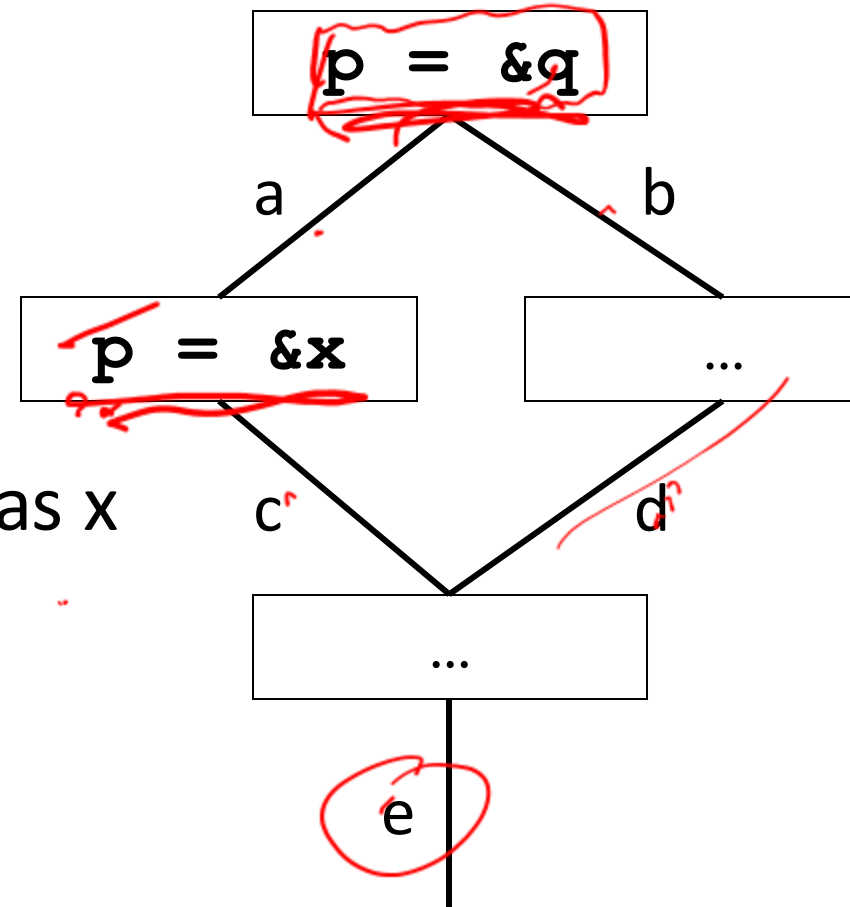


same object
“must-alias”

cache reads
propagate writes

Alias Information

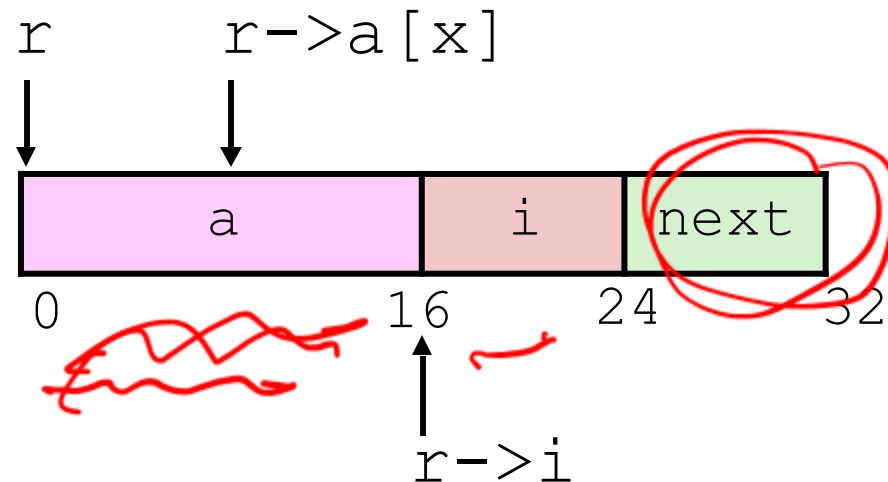
- must-alias and may-alias
 - a: p must-alias q
 - b: p must-alias q
 - c: p must-alias x
 - d: p must-alias q
 - e: p may-alias q and p may-alias x
- Analysis:
 - flow-insensitive
 - flow-sensitive



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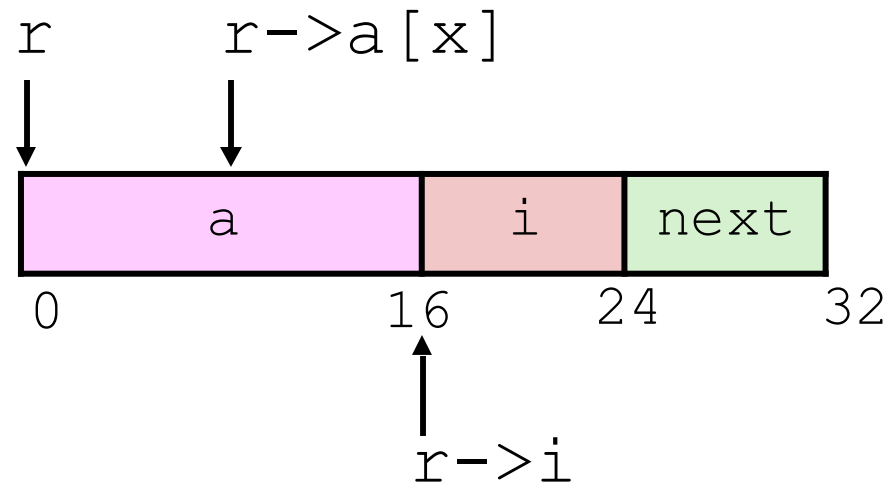
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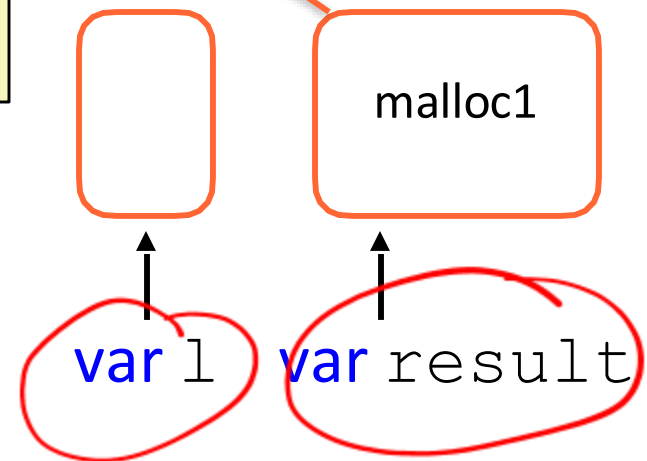


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make at least some use of types
in alias analysis.

Allocation Sites

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  result->next = l;  
  result->val = a;  
  return result;  
}
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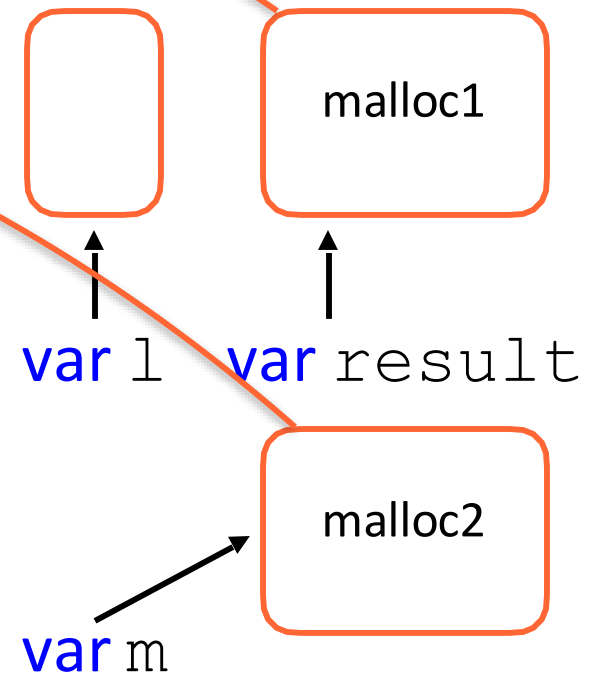


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  result->val = a;  
  List* m = malloc(...);  
  . . .  
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}
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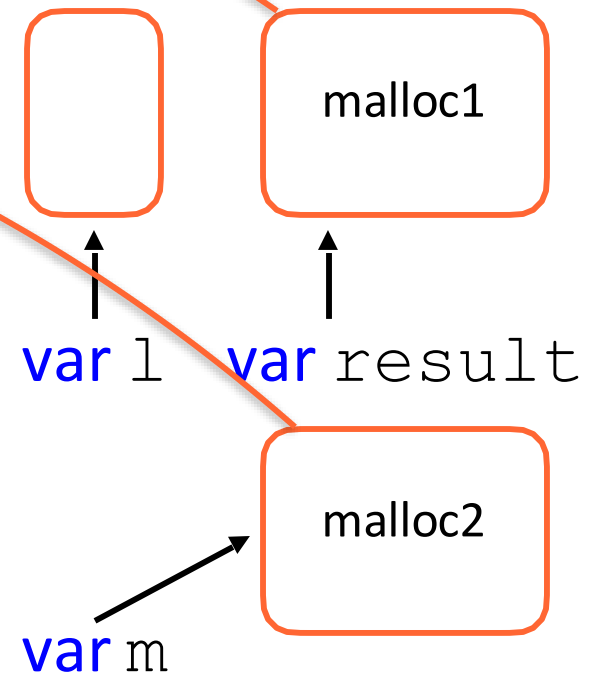


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Flow-Sensitive Alias Analysis

- Aliasing relationships between variables change as the program executes.
- Being accurate in the general case of pointers to pointers requires a flow-sensitive analysis.

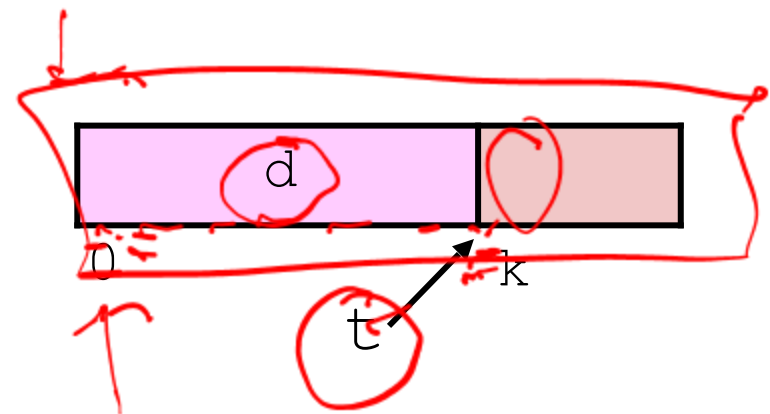
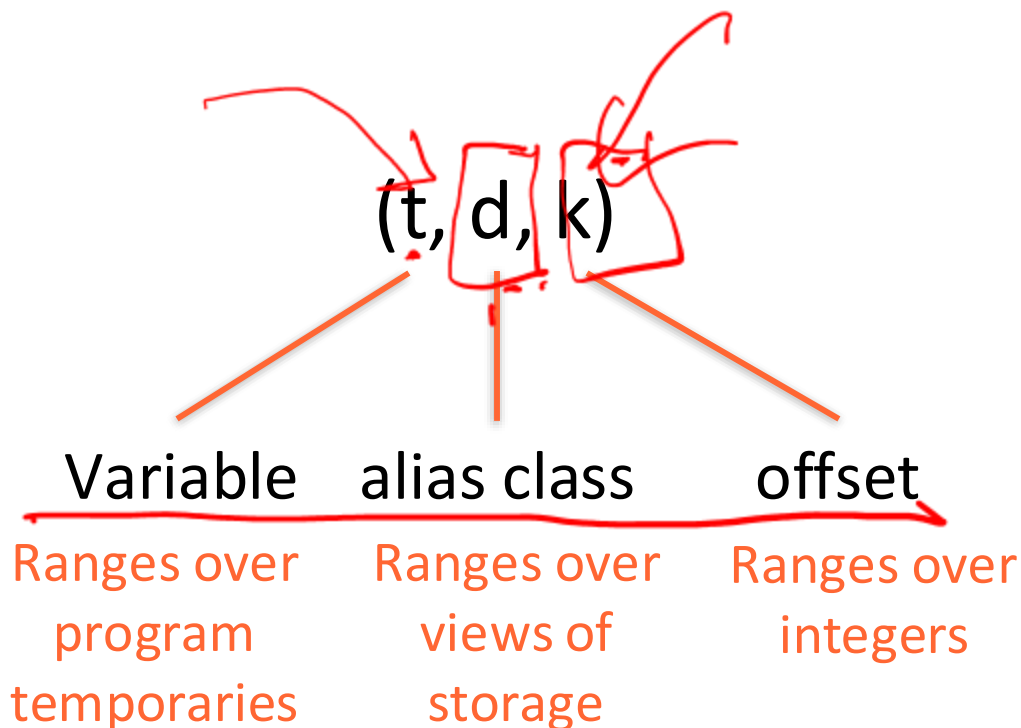
Flow-Sensitivity

- A flow-sensitive analysis distinguishes information about variables at different program locations.
- A flow-insensitive analysis merges information about variables across the whole program (function).



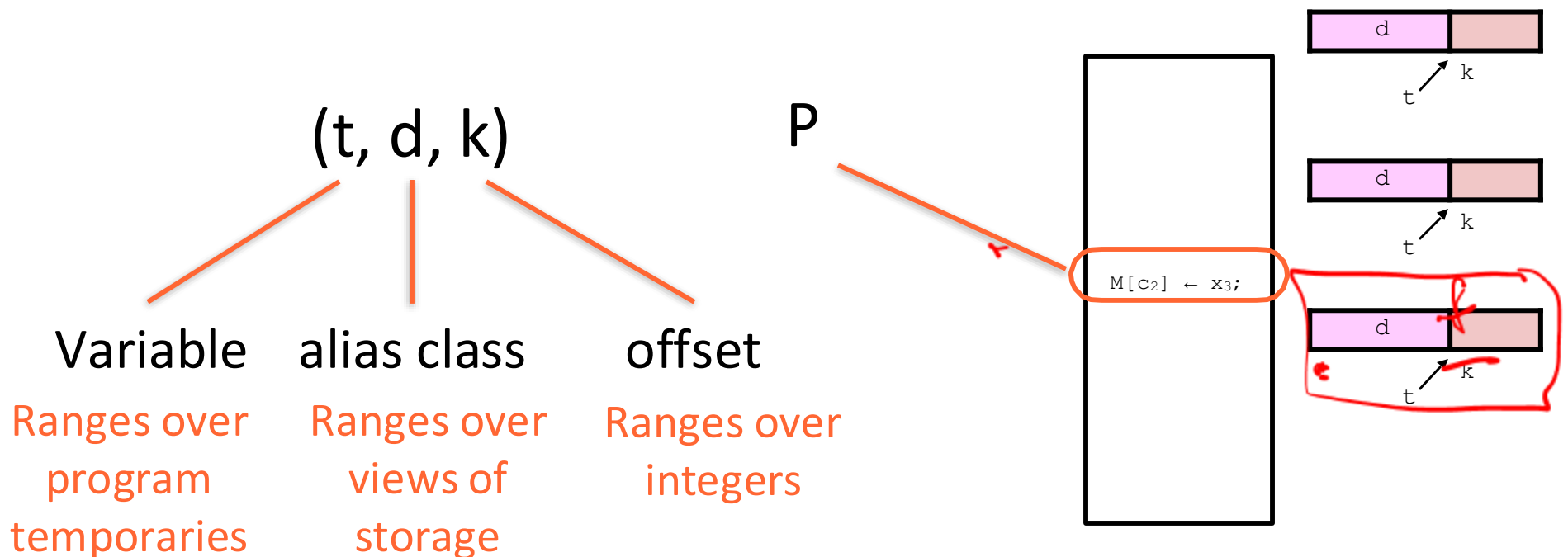
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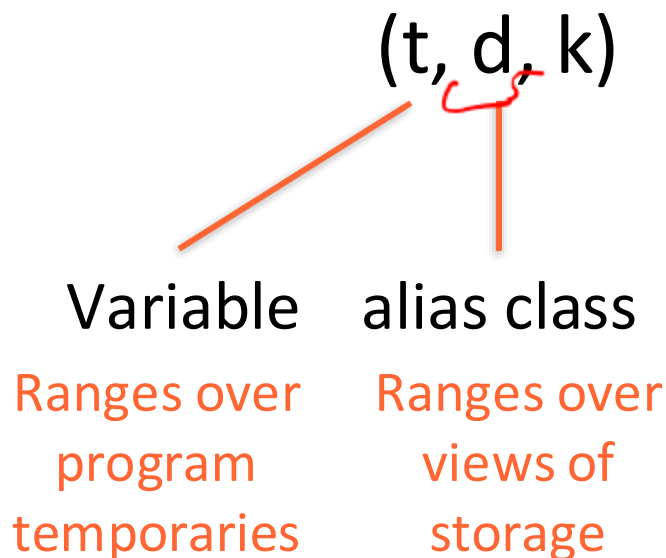
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Abstract Memory Locations

- Alias classes (d) allow us to tune the precision of the analysis and deal with different languages differently.
- They represent possibly-overlapping views of storage.
- Add an offset to represent abstract memory locations.



- locals of type τ
- structs of type τ
- arrays of type τ
- struct fields S.f
- globals of type τ

Dataflow Analysis

- After defining alias classes for our language, flow-sensitive analysis falls into the general category of forward dataflow analysis.
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- Iteratively solve the dataflow equations.

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int A [10]
int B [10]



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Initial relation A

(x, struct T, 0)

x points to
some struct T

void compute(struct T* x) {

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predecessor relations $\text{in}[q]$

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`void compute(struct T* x) {`

`$y = x \rightarrow f;$`

`}`

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transfer function

what values could
y become?

```
void compute(struct T* x) {
```

```
    y = x->f;
```

```
}
```

Transfer Functions

$(b, \text{old } t)$

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$(t, \text{old } t)$

Statement

```
t ← b  
t ← b + k  
t ← b ⊕ c  
t ← M[b]  
M[a] ← b  
if a > b goto L  
goto L  
f(a ... )  
t ← alloc(...)
```

trans(A)

$(A - A(t)) \cup A(b \mapsto t)$

Assume $A(t)$
represents the
set of all tuples
mentioning the
variable t .

Assume $A(b \mapsto t)$
represents the
set of all tuples
by substituting t
for b .

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 \cup
 $\{(t, d, i) \mid (b, d, i - k) \in A\}$

We can handle pointer arithmetic by making use of statically-known offsets



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Depends on the type of t
and represents the set of unknown
locations for the type, e.g.

(t, struct S, 0)

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“Ignoring stores” works because we conservatively treat loads as unknown

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f(a ... )
t ← alloc99 (...)
```

trans(A)

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 \cup
 $(t, \text{alloc}_{99}, 0)$

We can track each allocation separately.

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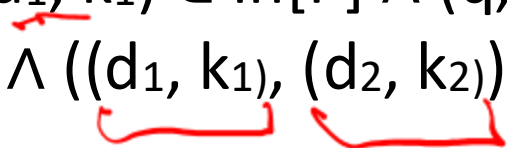
Assuming we set up alias classes d
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Assuming we have additional
overlap relation

```
struct intlist {  
    int val;  
    struct intlist* next;  
};
```

```
struct int foo() {  
    struct intlist* p;  
    struct intlist* q;  
    int a = 1;  
  
    q = alloc(struct intlist);  
    q->val = 0;  
    q->next = NULL;  
    p = alloc(struct intlist);  
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    a = p->val;  
    return a;  
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19:	LOAD	t4	<- MEM[u6]		a
20:	RET		t4		



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struct intlist* foo() {
    struct intlist* p;
    struct intlist* q;
    int a = 1;

    p = alloc(struct intlist);
    p->val = 0;
    p->next = 0;

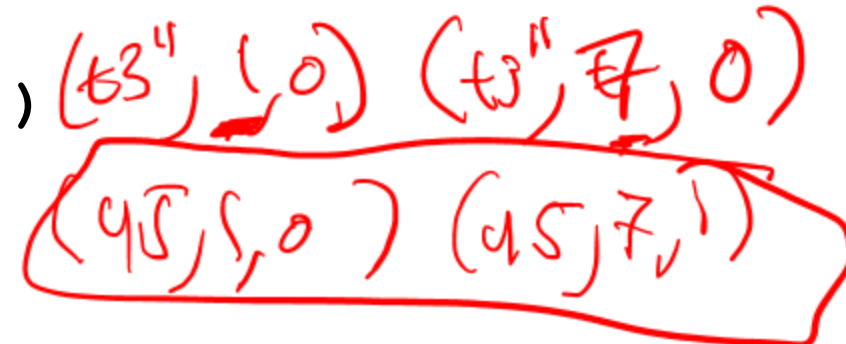
    q = alloc(struct intlist);
    q->val = 6;
    q->next = p;

    if (a == 0) p = q;
    p->val = 4;
    return p;
}
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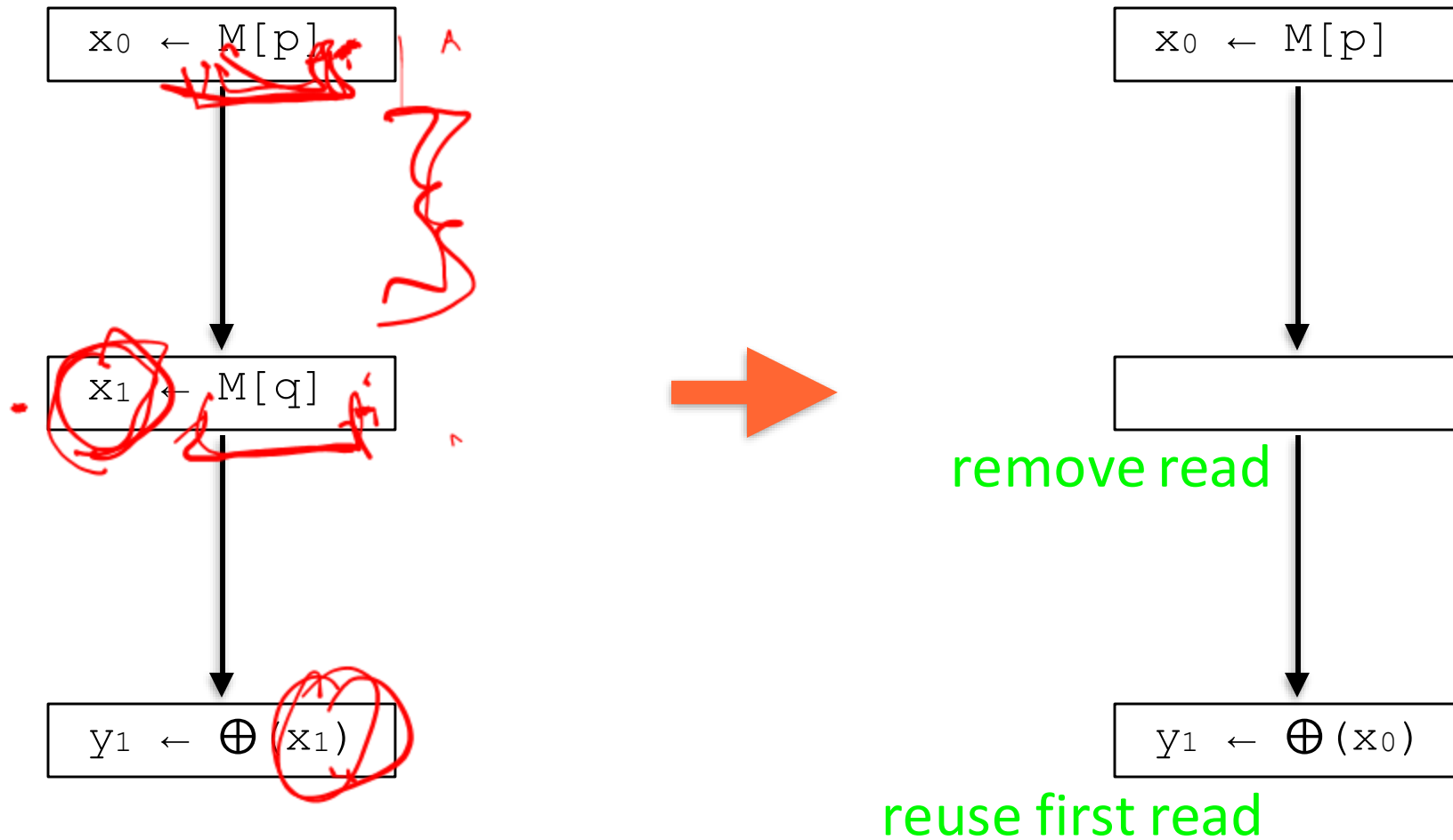
The Heap Triple Crown

- Three optimizations based on alias analysis work great together.
 - Load Elimination
 - Load-Store Forwarding
 - Store Elimination
- All three require correct (conservative) aliasing information.

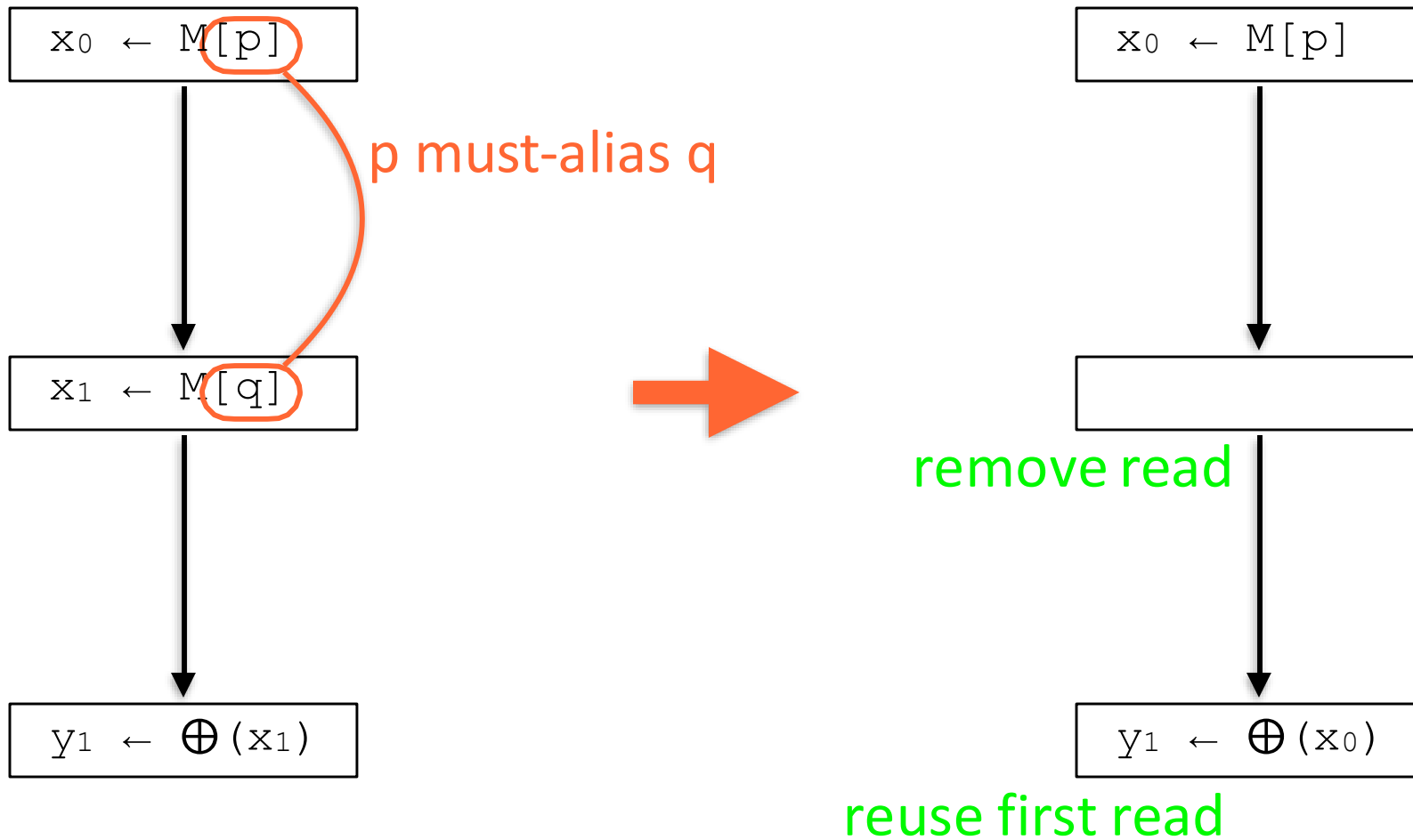
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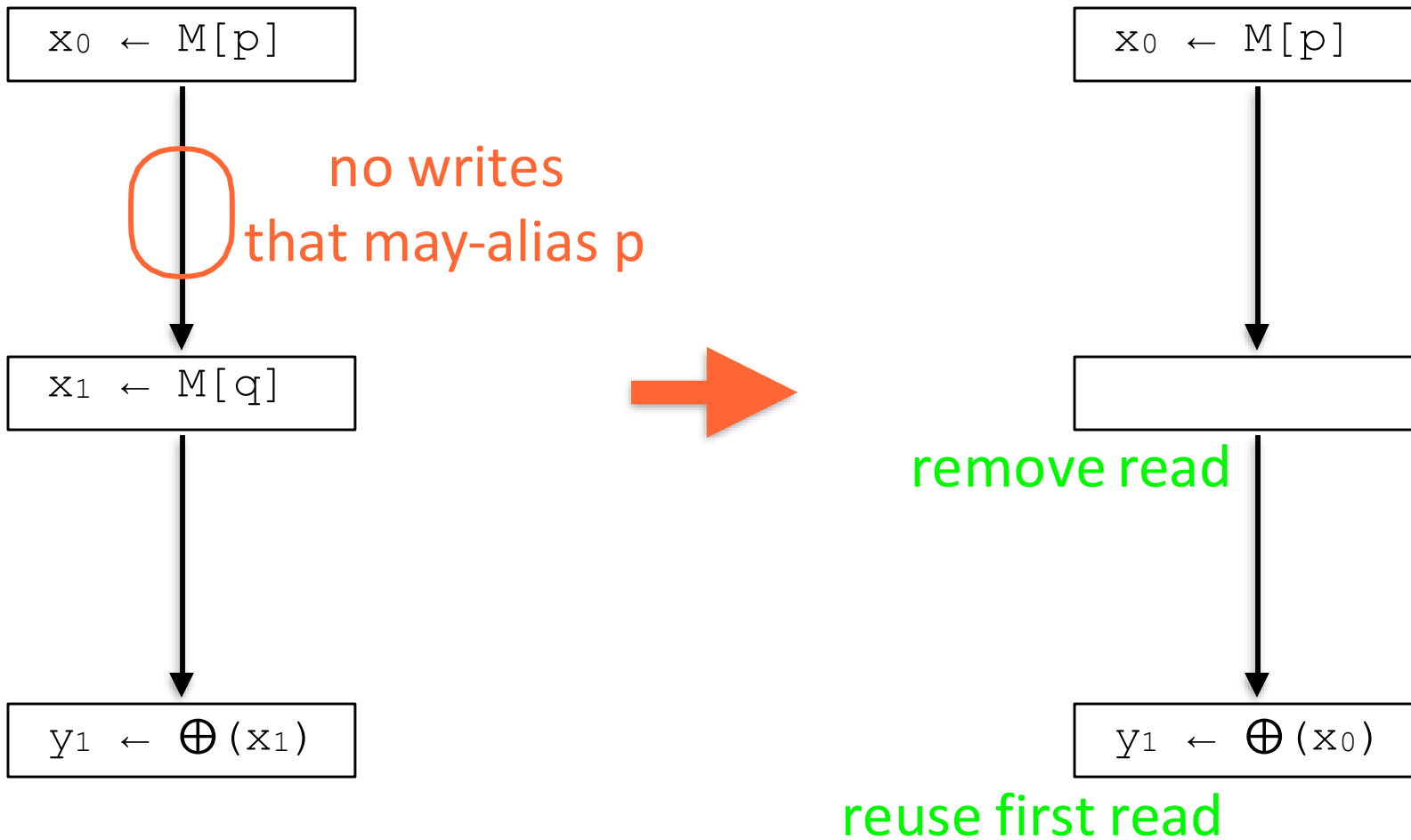
Load Elimination Illustration



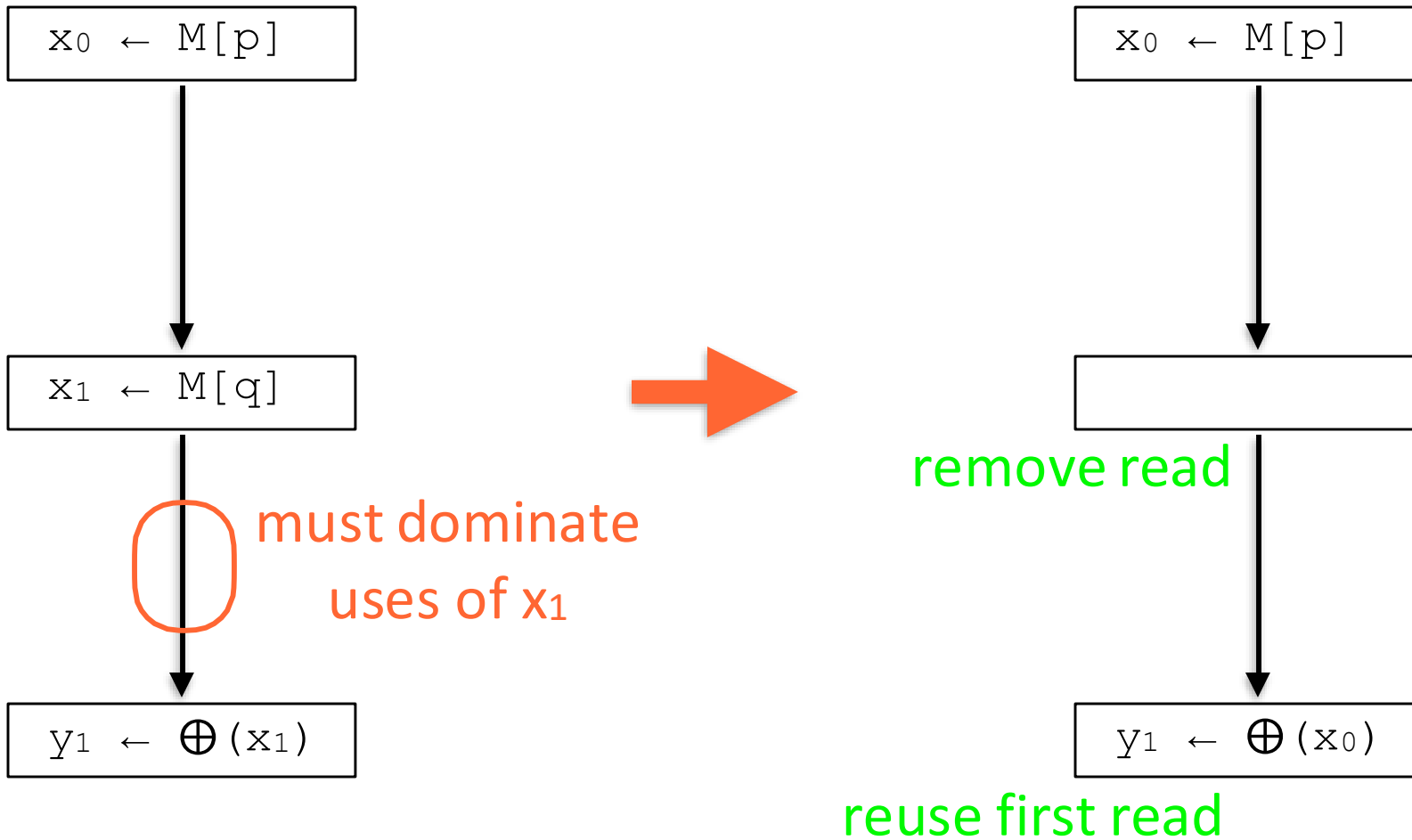
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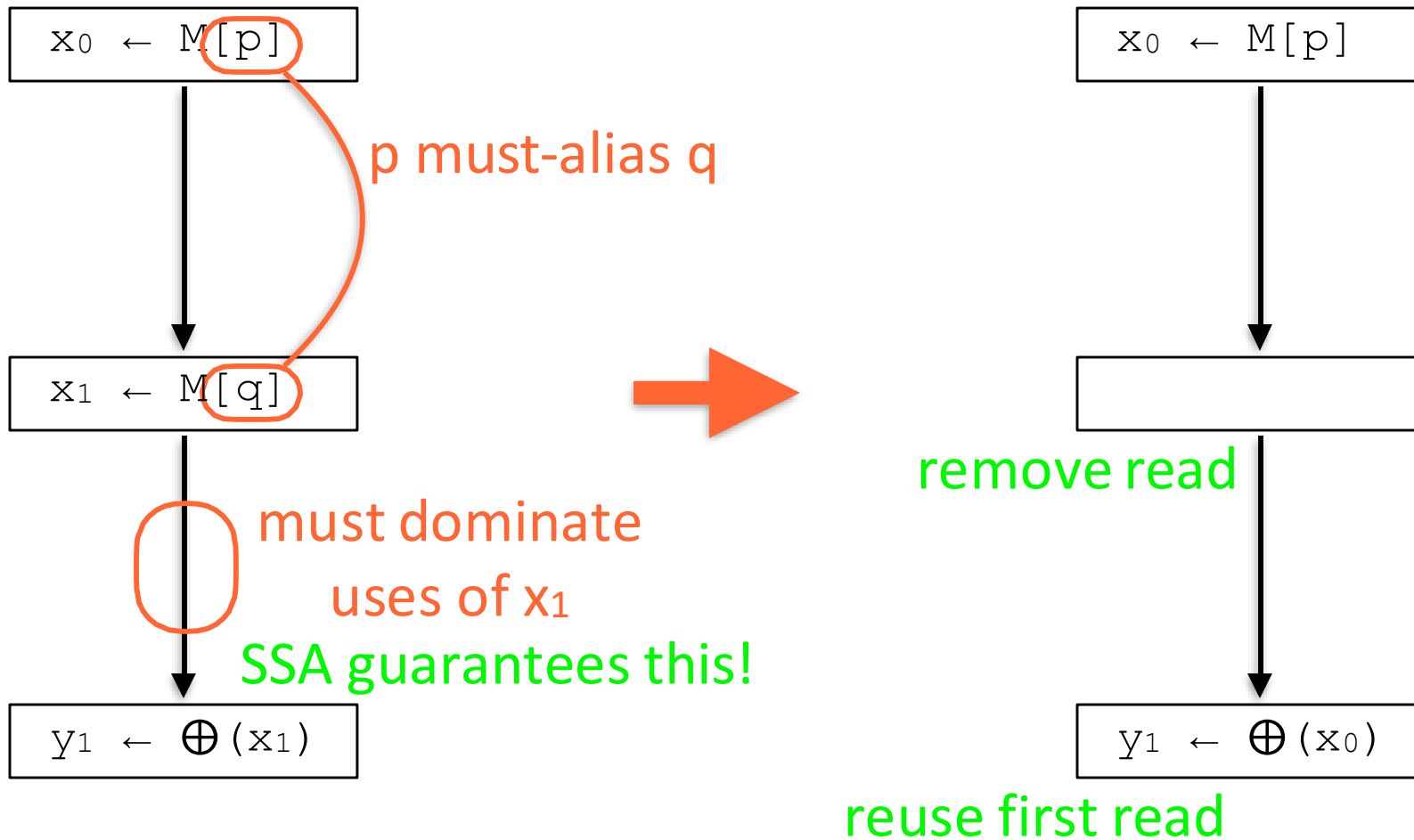
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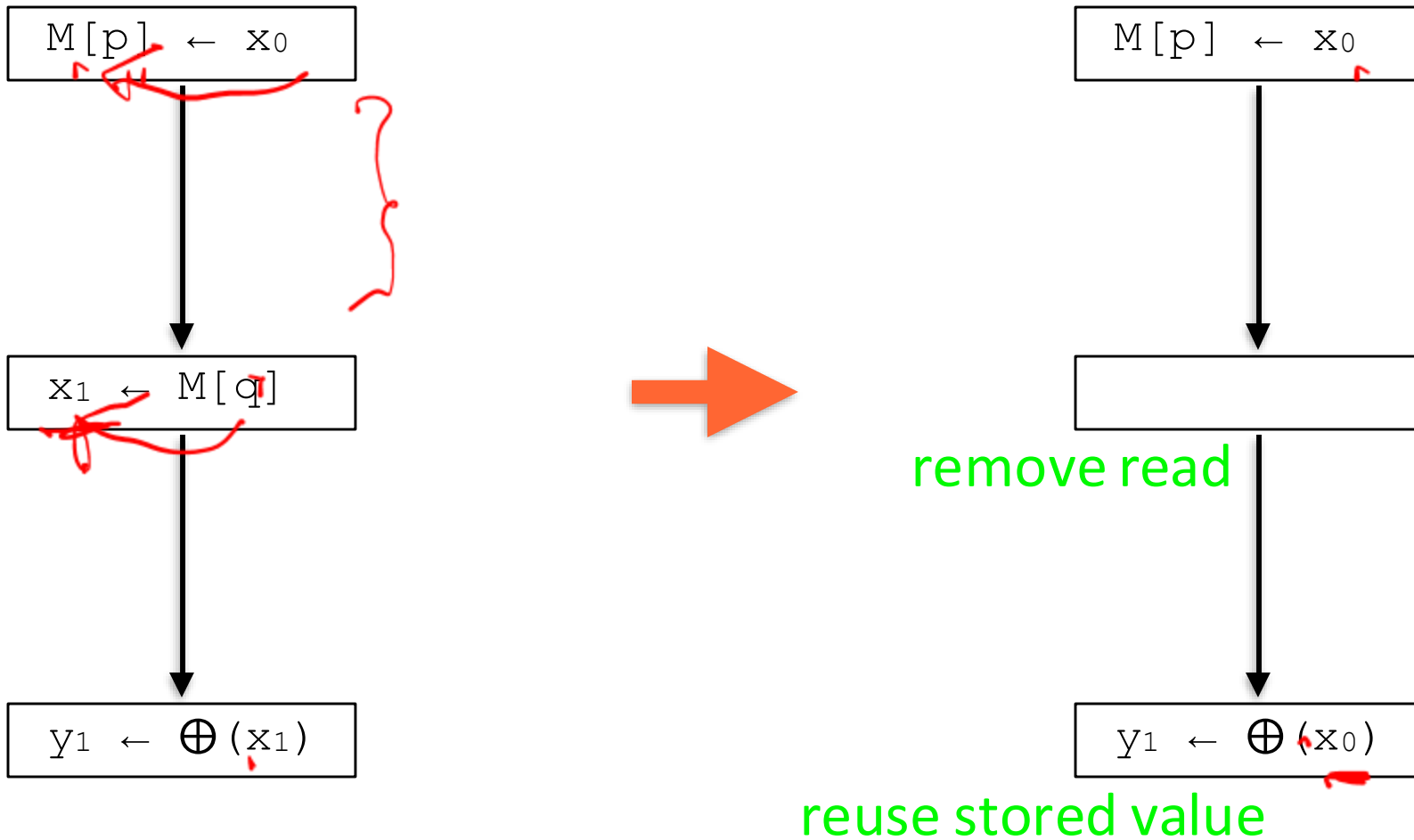
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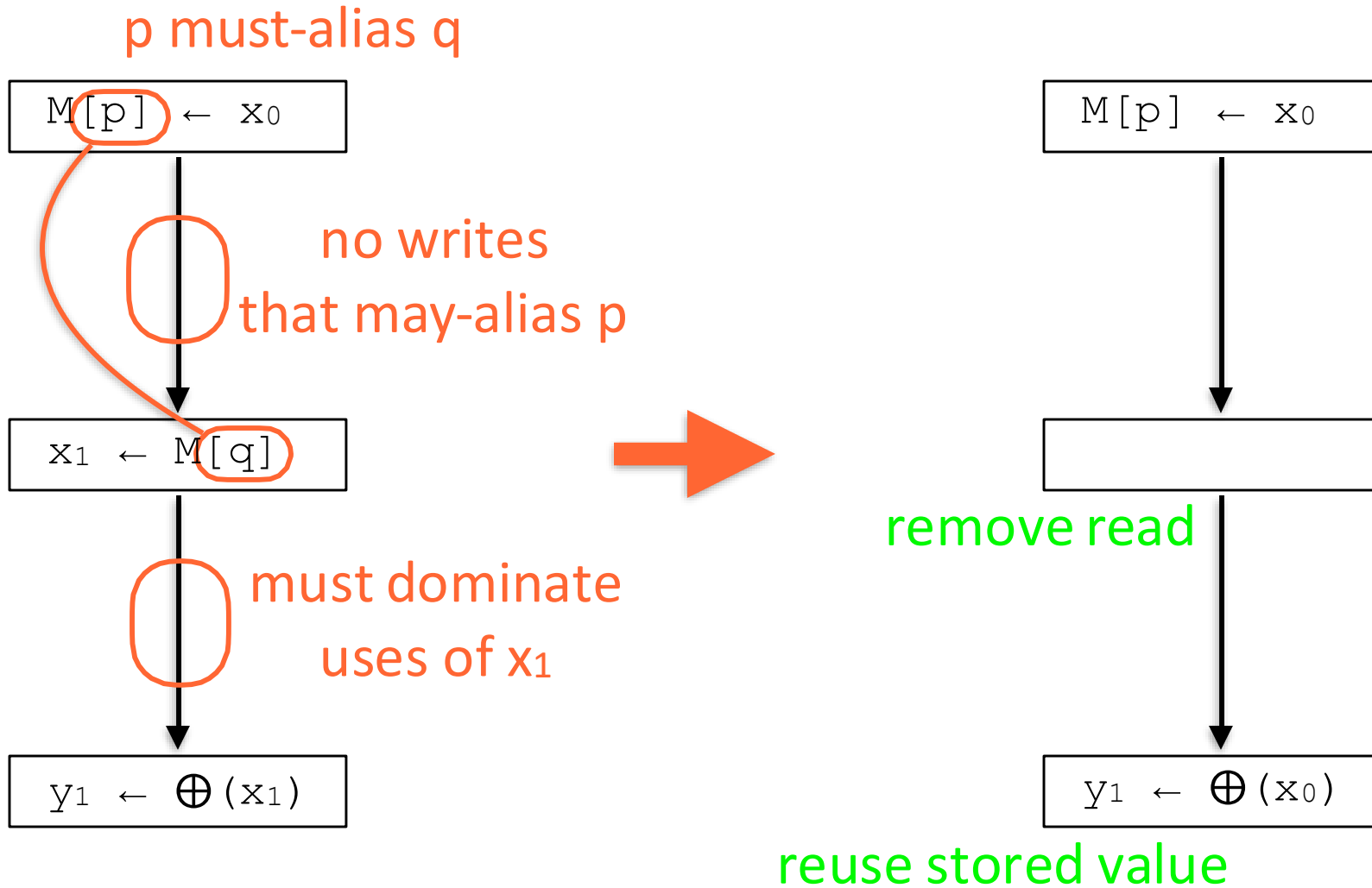
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Load-Store Forwarding Illustration



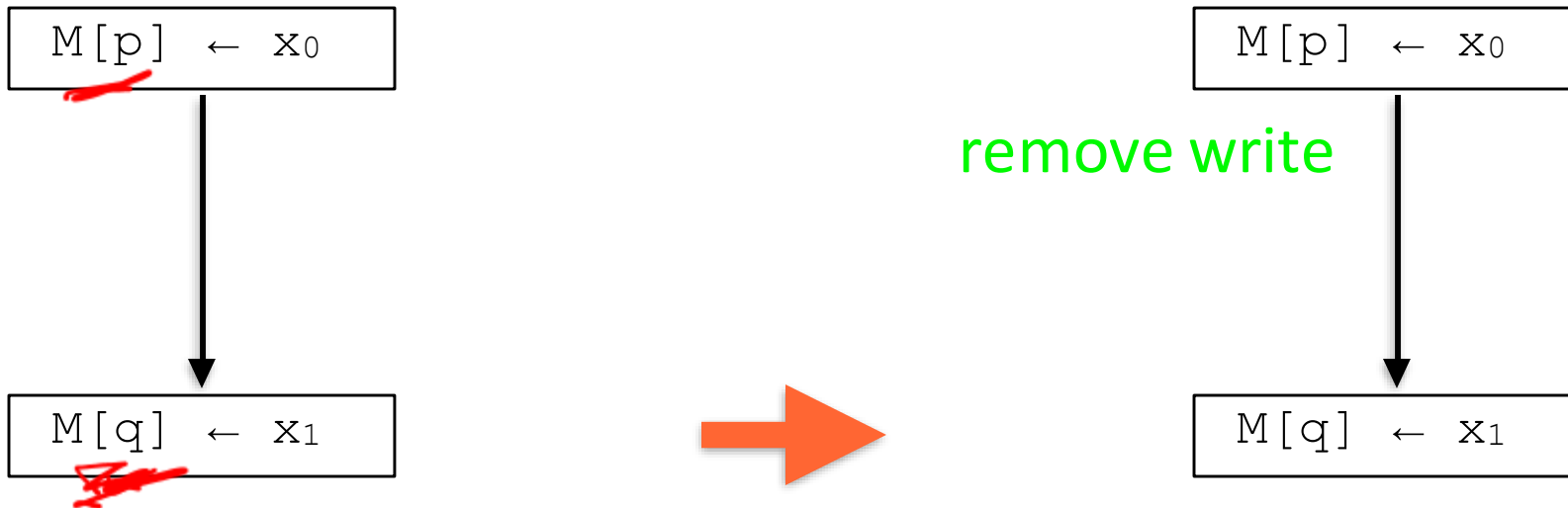
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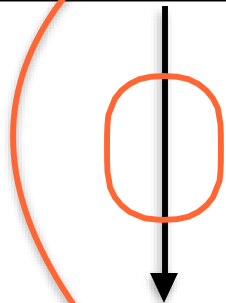
Store Elimination Illustration



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p must-alias q

$M[p] \leftarrow x_0$



no reads
that may-alias p

$M[q] \leftarrow x_1$



remove write

$M[p] \leftarrow x_0$



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IN and OUT sets store expressions that are available to be reused

Stores and calls (other side effects) add to the KILL set, using the results from alias analysis

Loads and stores add to the GEN set for an instruction

Implementing LE/LSF/SE

- How to compute the loads/stores that are available?
- More dataflow analysis!
- Use the standard GEN and KILL strategy.
- $OUT[P] = IN[P] - KILL[P] + GEN[P]$

Going to cover this in
more detail later in
dominator-based
global value
numbering