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Related concepts

- ✓ Forward/backward slicing
- ✓ Dynamic/conditioned slicing
 - ✓ constraints on input
- ✓ Chopping
 - ✓ discover connection between I & O
- ✓ Amorphous slicing
 - ✓ . . .

Amorphous Slicing

```
f :: Int -> Int  
f cx = add cx 1
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inc :: Int -> Int  
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add :: Int -> Int -> Int  
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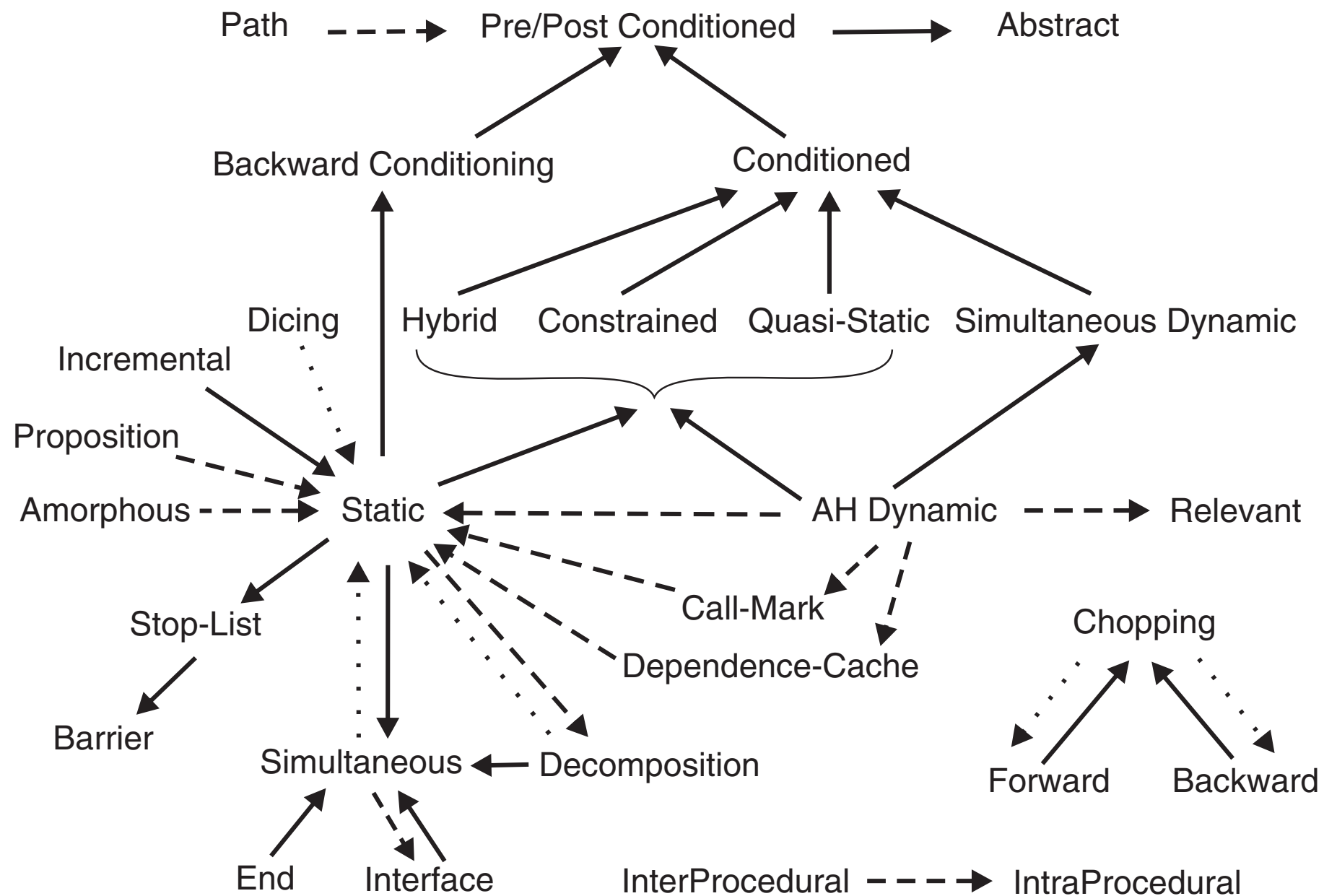
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Forms of Slicing



Uses for slicing

- ✓ Debugging
 - ✓ cf. Weiser CACM 1982
- ✓ Cohesion measurement
 - ✓ cf. Ott&Bieman IST 1998
- ✓ Comprehension
 - ✓ cf. De Lucia&Fasolino&Munro IWPC 1996
- ✓ Maintenance
 - ✓ e.g. reuse
- ✓ Re-engineering
 - ✓ e.g. clone detection

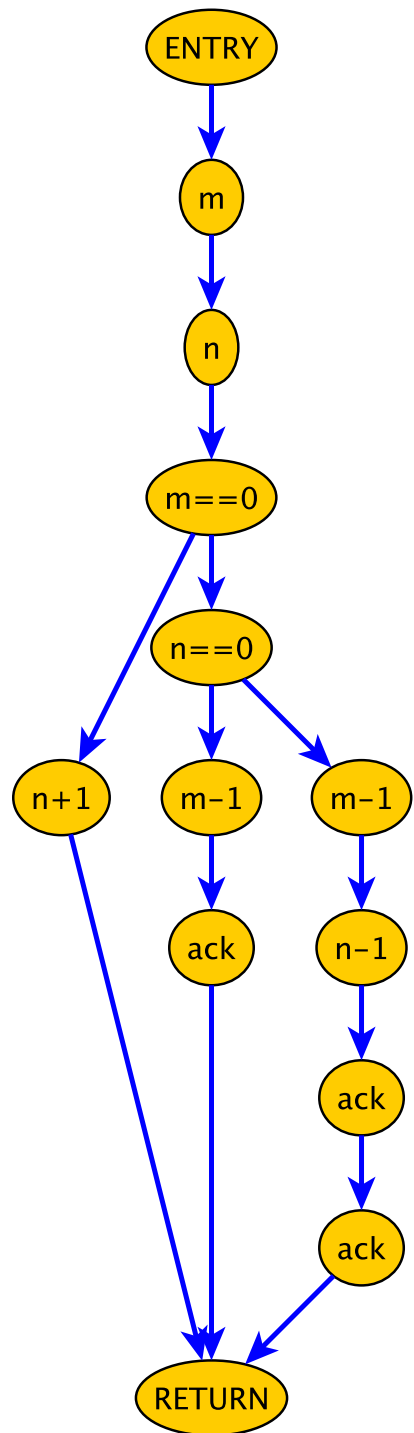
Goal: Library



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Control Dependence



`ack :: Int -> Int -> Int`

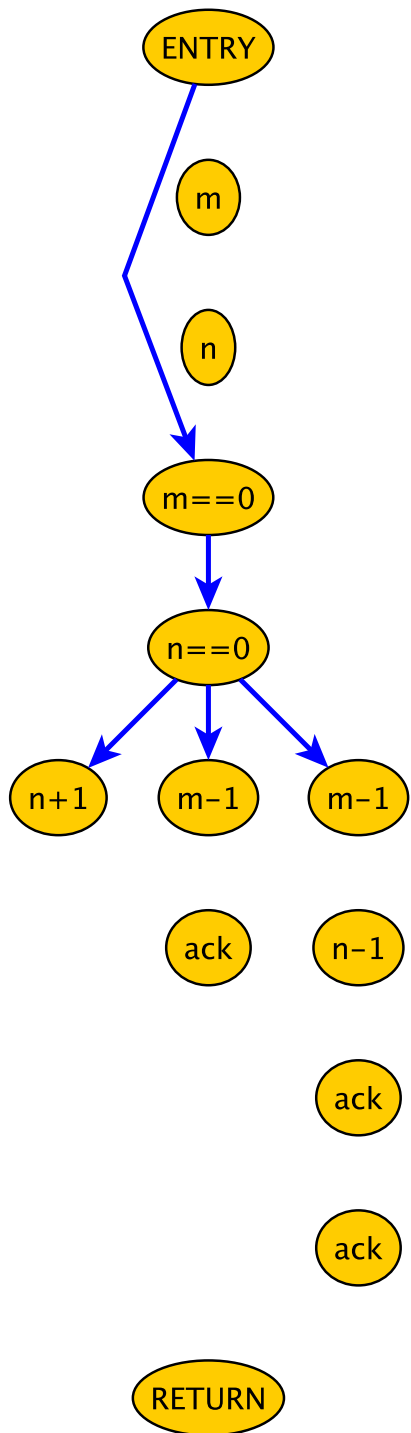
`ack 0 n = n + 1`

`ack m 0 = ack (m-1) 1`

`ack m n = ack (m-1) (ack m (n-1))`

- ✓ Control flow
- ✓ execution path
- ✓ Exclude domination
- ✓ inevitable

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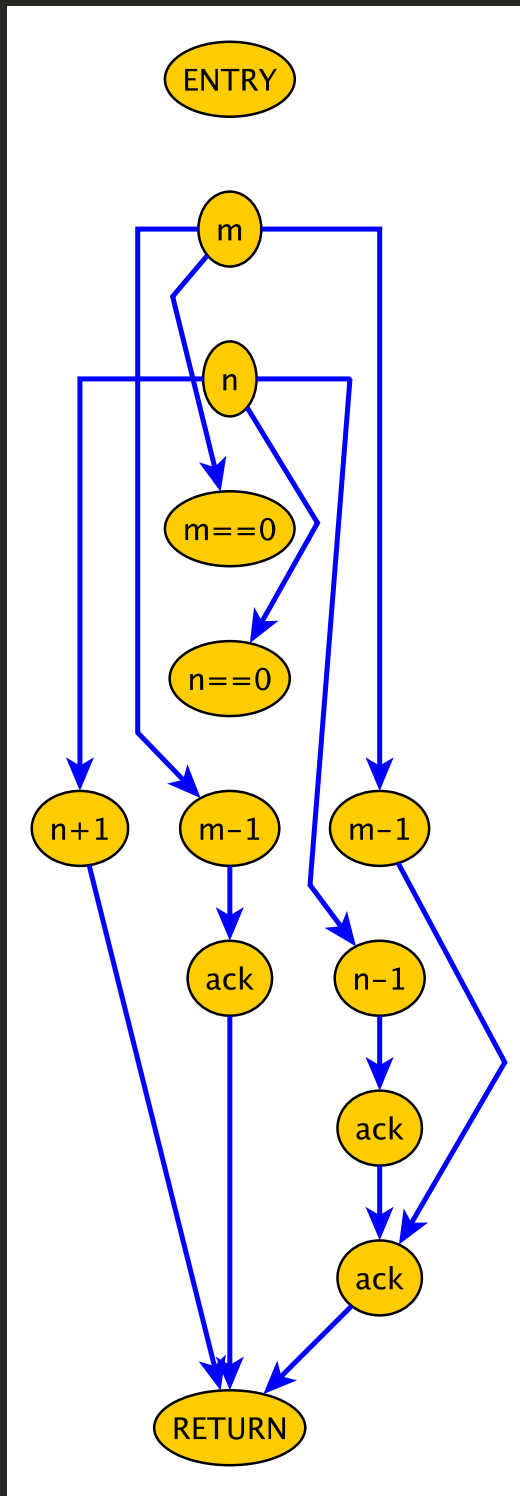
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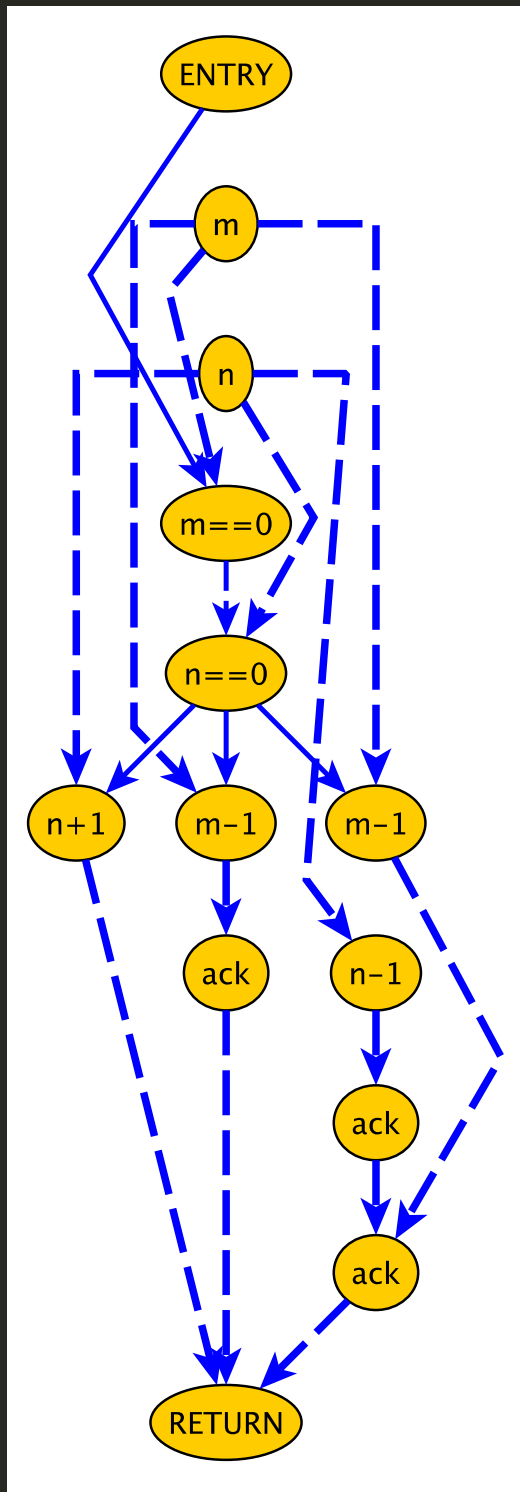
Data Dependence

```
ack :: Int -> Int -> Int
ack 0 n = n + 1
ack m 0 = ack (m-1) 1
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```

- ✓ “Define” locations
- ✓ change
- ✓ “Use” locations
- ✓ access



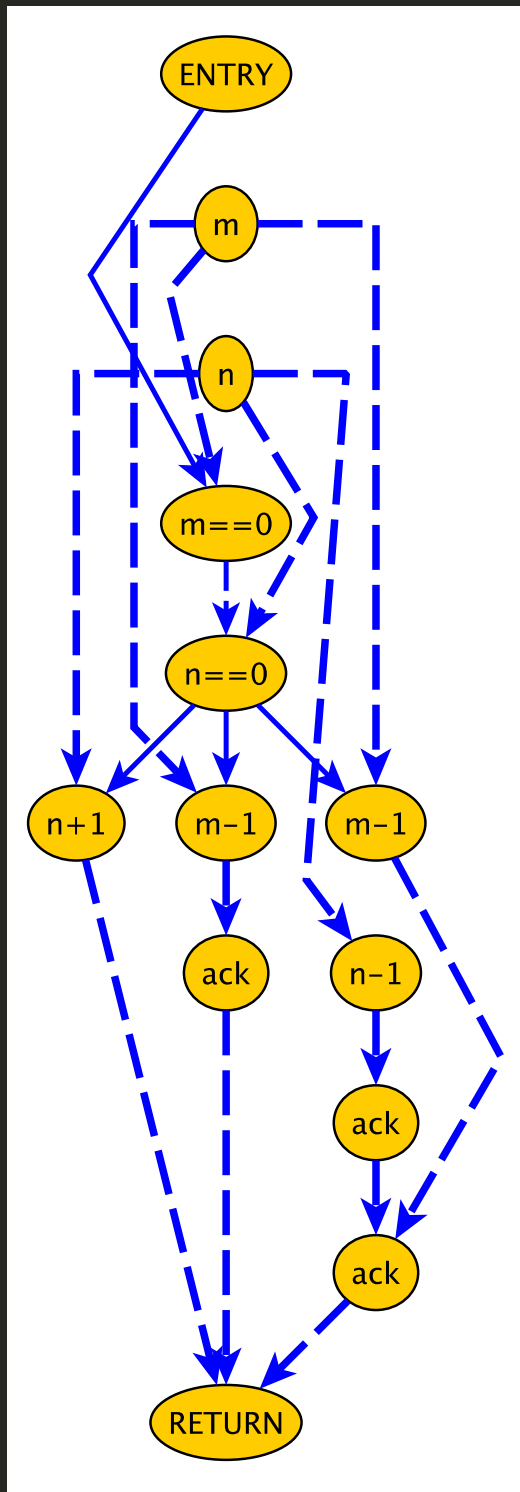
Program Dependence



```
ack :: Int -> Int -> Int
ack 0 n = n + 1
ack m 0 = ack (m-1) 1
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```

- ✓ Merge
- ✓ CDG
- ✓ DDG
- ✓ into one multigraph

System Dependence



$\text{ack} :: \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Int}$

$\text{ack } 0 \ n = n + 1$

$\text{ack } m \ 0 = \text{ack } (m-1) \ 1$

$\text{ack } m \ n = \text{ack } (m-1) (\text{ack } m (n-1))$

✓ Same as PDG

✓ interprocedural support

Variations

- ✓ Dynamic + Unified
 - ✓ runtime info
- ✓ Probabilistic + Weighted
 - ✓ trace coverage
- ✓ Values
 - ✓ lazy eval
- ✓ OO
 - ✓ methods, fields, classes

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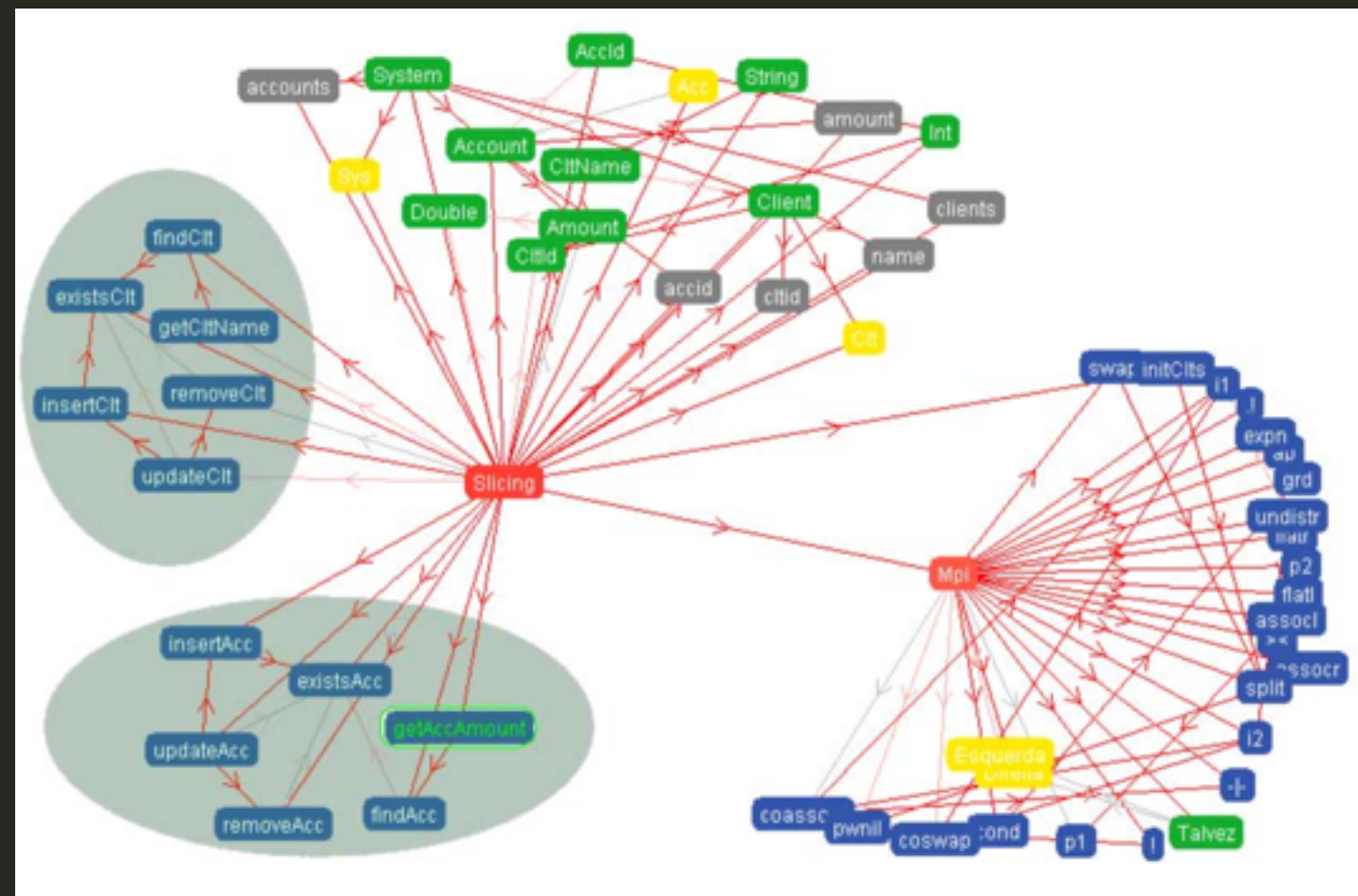
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F-Statements Dep.

- ✓ m, f, dt, c, d
- ✓ “Functional Statements”
- ✓ Very high level
- ✓ architectural



Slicer

Slice Type :

Node Type :

Node Name :

Utilities

Find Node :

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Functional Dependency Graph

 **Error. Click for details**

Behaviour Dependence

- ✓ Edges
 - ✓ data, control, behaviour
- ✓ Can handle
 - ✓ pattern-driven dispatch
 - ✓ expression decomposition
- ✓ But
 - ✓ extremely Erlang-specific

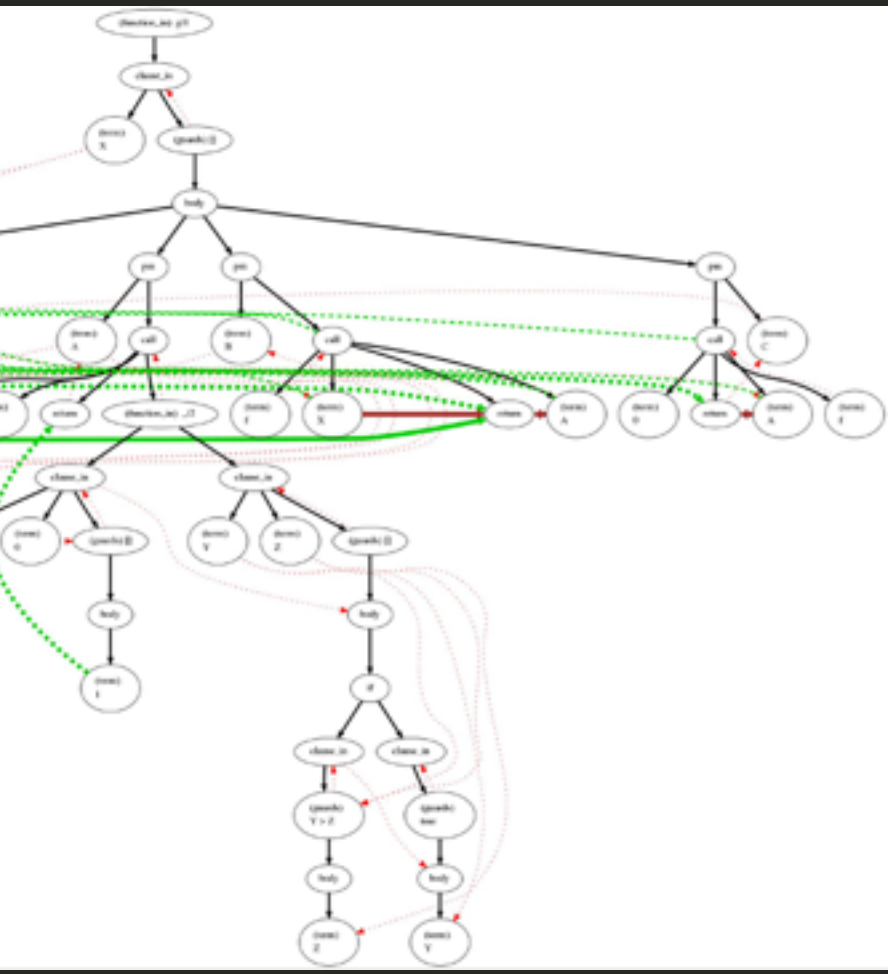
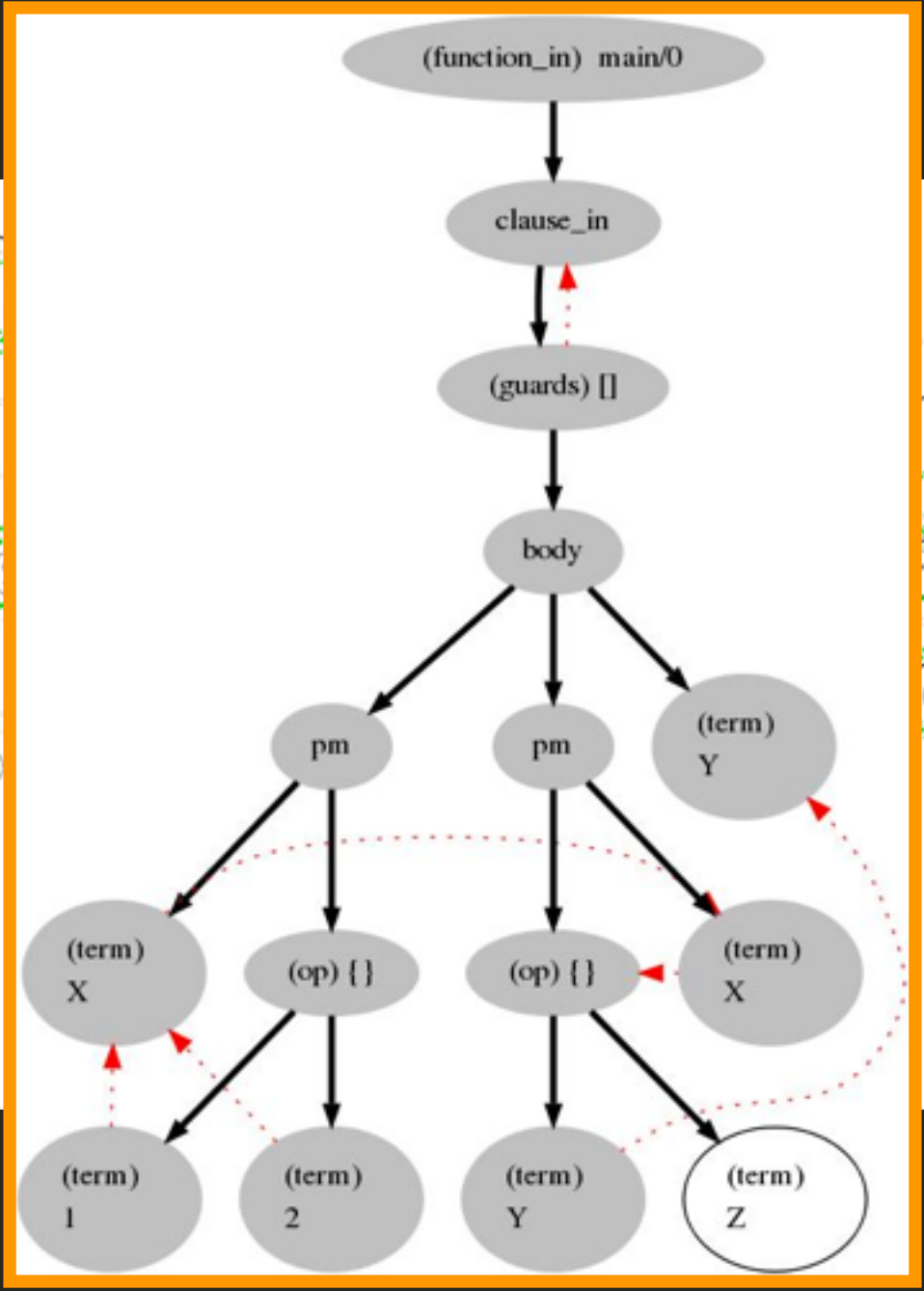
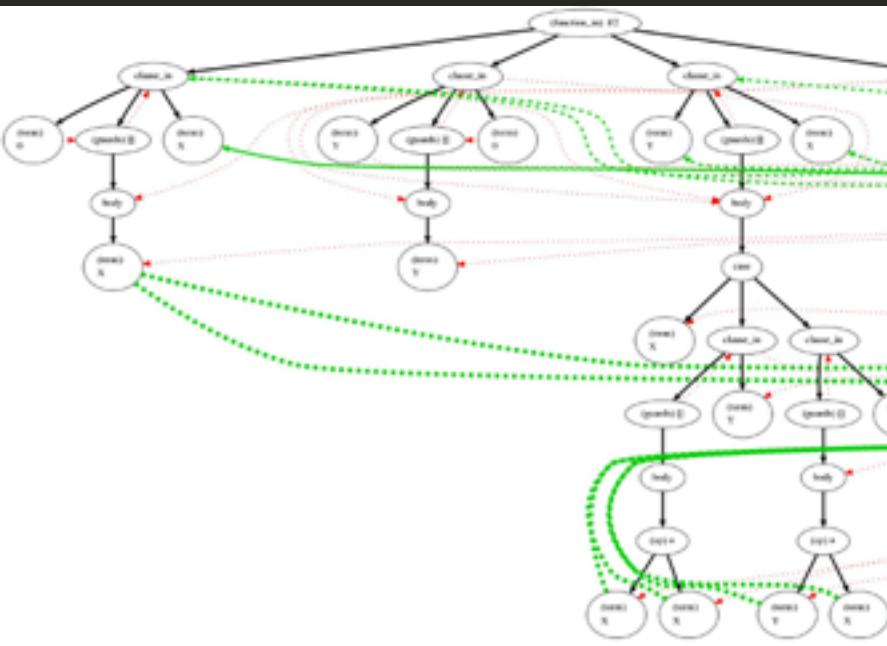
Term Dependence

- ✓ “Program positions”
- ✓ Left and right hand sides
- ✓ S-edges inside terms
 - ✓ structural
- ✓ C-edges link uses & defs
 - ✓ control
- ✓ No higher order

“Erlang Dependence”

- ✓ (almost) all of the above
- ✓ Edges
 - ✓ control, input, output, data, summary
- ✓ no deep decomposition
- ✓ no concurrency

SlicErl



W.I.P.

- ✓ CDG/DDG work
 - ✓ not a serious challenge

- ✓ PDG works

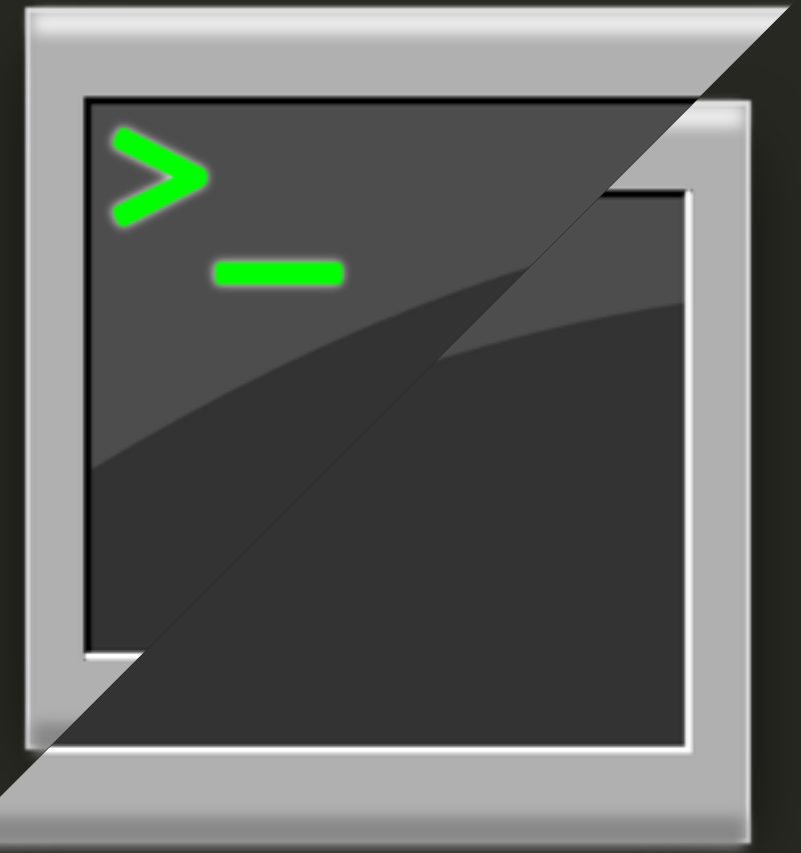
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- ✓ SDG works

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- ✓ next?

Questions/Advice?



- ✓ @grammarware
- ✓ <http://grammarware.net>
- ✓ <http://grammarware.github.io>
- ✓ <http://twitter.com/grammarware>
- ✓ ...

Feedback

- ✓ slice modules
 - ✓ comprehension: see where to start
 - ✓ optimisation before deployment
- ✓ slicing across modules
 - ✓ and versions of modules
- ✓ Clemens: general program trafo \pm symbolic computation \pm slicing
- ✓ Rinus: slicing modules for doc
- ✓ чувак в очках – оптимизация
- ✓ Philip: version slicing
- ✓ чувак из Брюсселя: слайс яваскрипта в VUB



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Wrote 13 papers:

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- bundles
- people
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