## CS738: Advanced Compiler Optimizations

## Data Flow Analysis

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## Example Data Flow Analysis

- Reaching Definitions Analysis
- Definition of a variable $x: x=\ldots$ something . . .
- Could be more complex (e.g. through pointers, references, implicit)


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- A definition $d$ reaches a point $p$ if
- there is a path from the point immediately following $d$ to $p$
- $d$ is not "killed" along that path
- "Kill" means redefinition of the left hand side ( $x$ in the earlier example)


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