Lecture #26: Project Strategy

class B (Object):
    m = 3

a1 = 3

def f1(x2, y2):
    b2 = False
    while y2 > 0:
        if b2:
            print a1 + x2 + d2
            b2 = True
        d2 = b1.m
        y2 -= 1

b1: B
b1 = B()

• Must process assignments to d2, b1 before can handle their (earlier) uses.
• But don’t need to process assignments in f1 when looking at uses outside f1.
• Cannot process b1.m until we know b1’s static type.
• Cannot attach b1’s static type until we have decided what b1 is (what it’s declaration is).
So... An Algorithm

- To connect simple identifiers to declarations:
  - First find all declarations at outer level (identifiers ending in 1 in example). Add to symbol table.
  - Then find all uses and attach declarations.
  - As you find uses, go into each ‘def’ you find and
    * Start a new block in the symbol table.
    * (Recursively) connect identifiers to declarations within its body.
    * Exit block.

- Now that all ids have declarations attached, symbol table no longer needed.

- Now pass through entire tree and attach types from type declarations.

- Finally, another pass (now that you know types) to handle things like b1.m.