

How could each program below be optimized?

```
01 int minf(int a, int b) {
02     int min = INT_MIN;
03     if (b > a) {
04         min = a;
05     } else {
06         min = b;
07     }
08     return min;
09 }
```

Figure 1

```
01 void foo(int *v, int N, int a, int b) {
02     printf("Consider: %d\n", a * b);
03     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
04         int x = v[i];
05         if (x < a * b) {
06             printf("Neg = %d\n", x);
07         }
08     }
09 }
```

Figure 2

```
01 void foo(int *v, int N, int a, int b) {
02     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
03         int x = v[i];
04         if (x < a * b) {
05             printf("Neg = %d\n", x);
06         }
07     }
08     printf("Considered: %d\n", a * b);
09 }
```

Figure 3

1. Which information would you need to carry out the proposed optimization (automatically, I mean) in each one of these three examples?
2. Is the optimization the same for each example?
3. Is your optimization always performance-safe? By performance safe I mean to say: could it be the case that, for some specific inputs, the optimized program would run slower than the original program?