Formal Methods
Module II: Formal Verification
Ch. 09: **Timed and Hybrid Systems**

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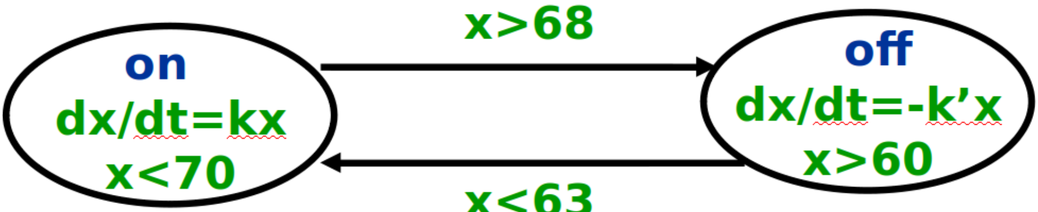
Hybrid machines = State machines + Dynamic Systems



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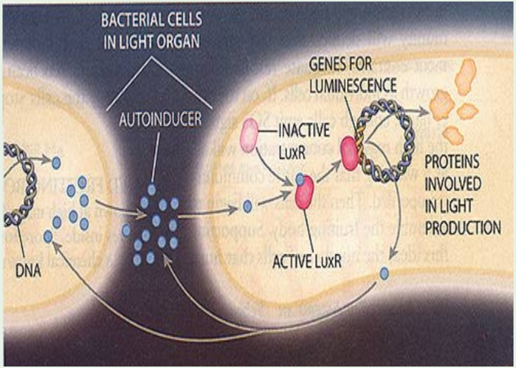

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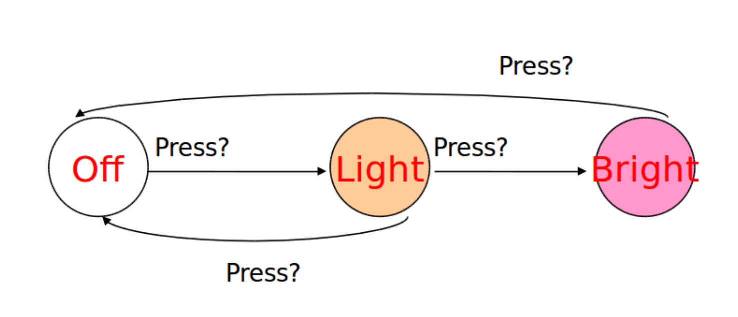

Requirement:

- if Off and press is issued once, then the light switches on;
- if Off and press is issued twice quickly, then the light gets brighter;
- if Light/Bright and press is issued once, then the light switches off;

$\Longrightarrow$ Cannot be achieved with standard automata

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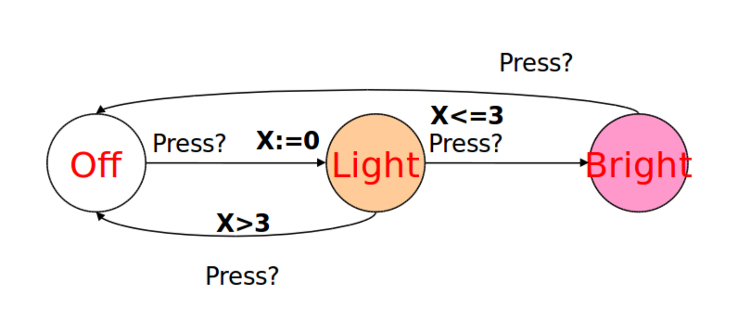
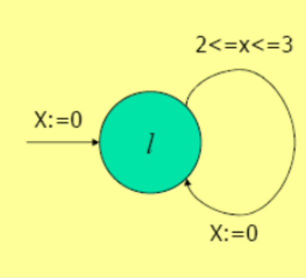


Solution: add real-valued clock x

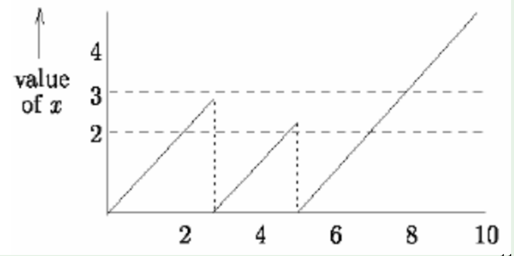
- x reset at first press
- if next press before x reaches 3 time units, then the light will get brighter;
- otherwise the light is turned off

Modeling: timing constraints

Finite graph + finite set of (real-valued) clocks



- Vertexes are locations
  - Time can elapse there
  - Constraints (invariants)
- Edges are switches
  - Subject to constraints
  - Reset clocks



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- Labels, aka events, actions,... (like in standard aut.)
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- Clocks: x, y,... $\in \mathbb{Q}^+$
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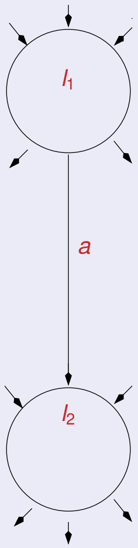

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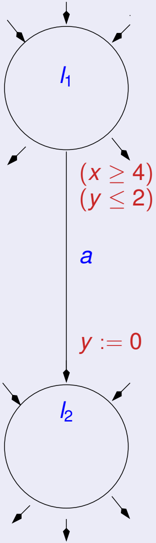

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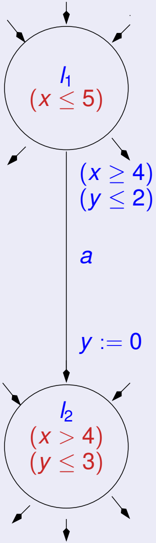

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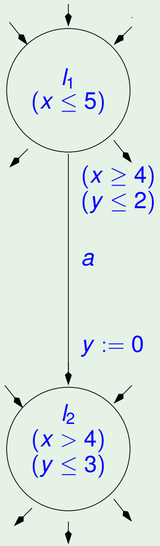

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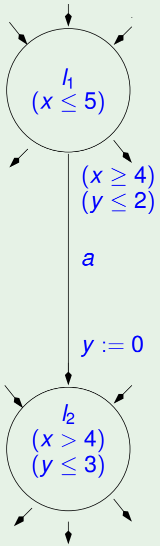

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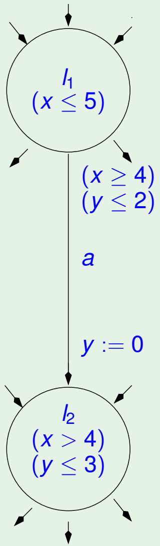

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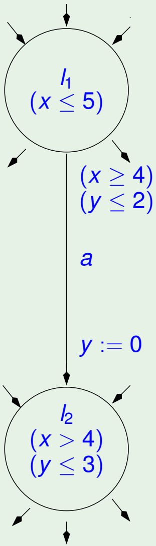

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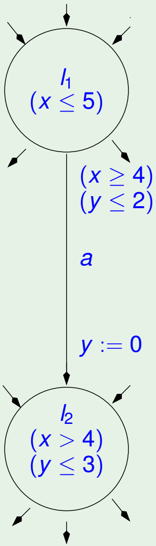

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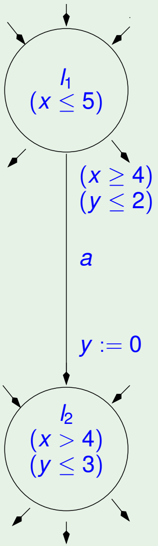

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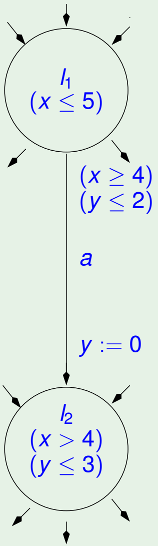

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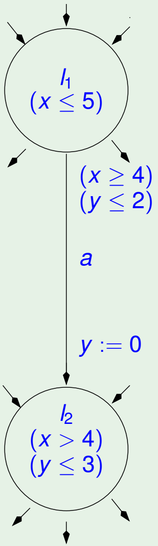

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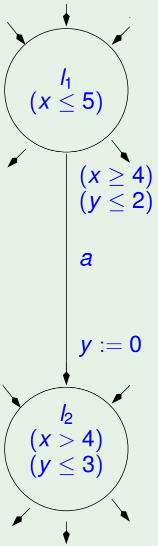

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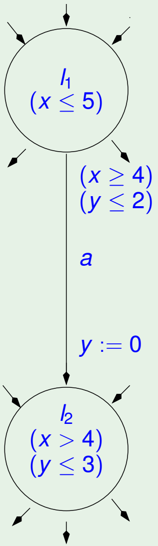

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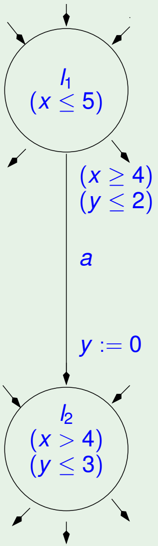

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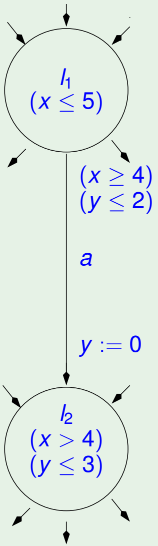

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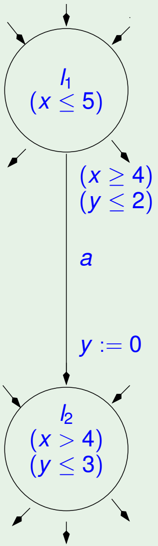

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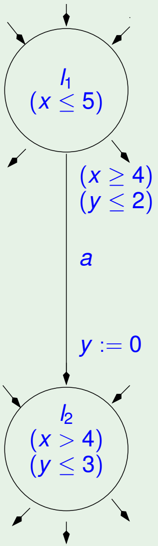

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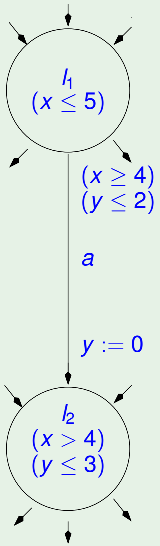

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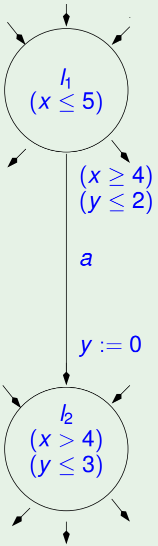

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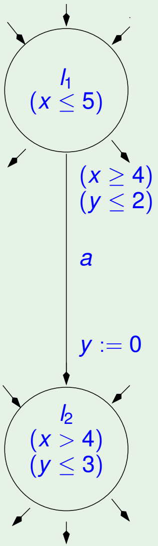

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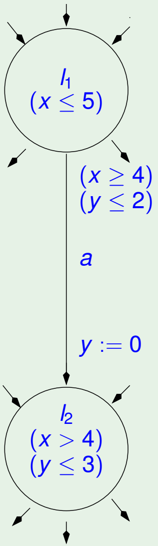

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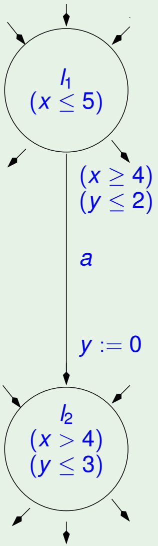

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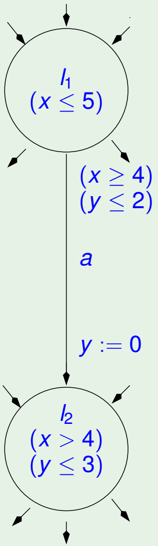

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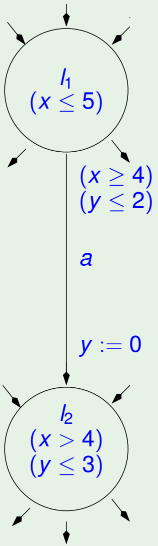

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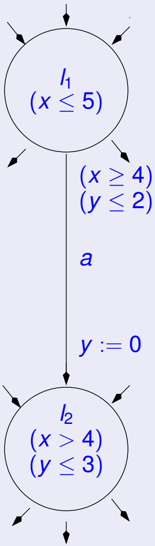

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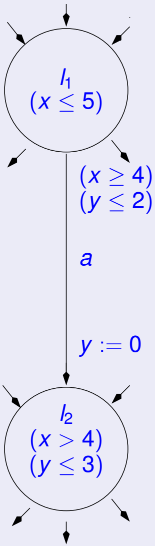

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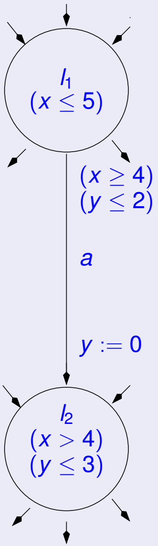

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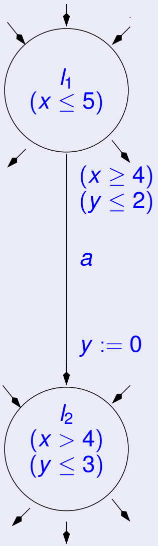

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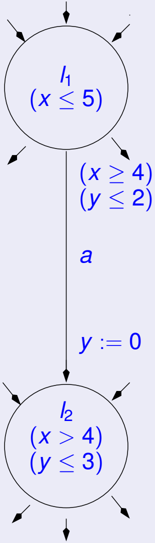

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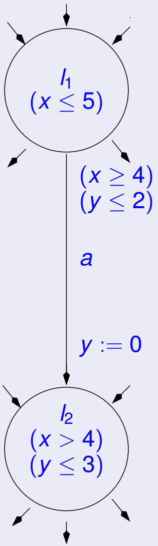

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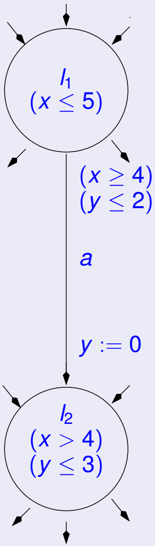

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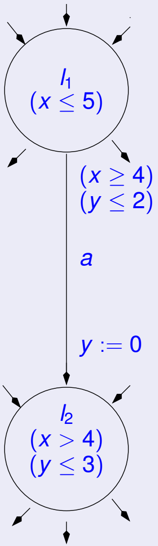

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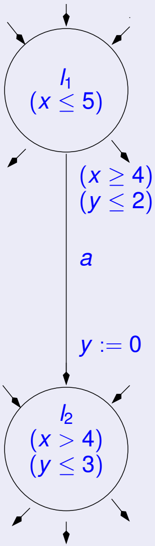

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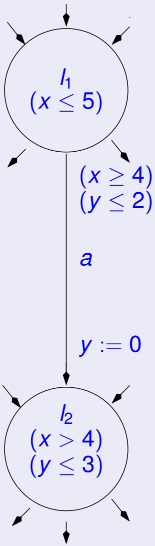

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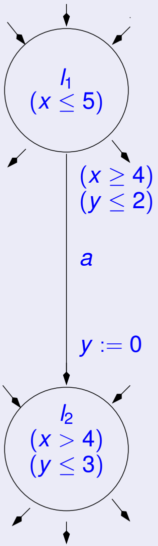

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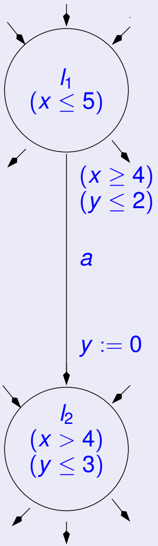

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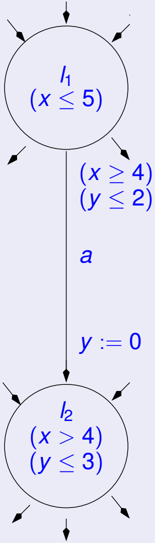

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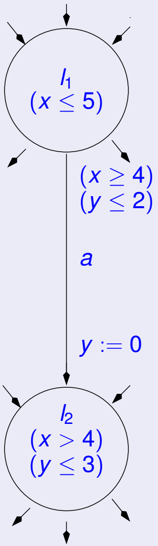

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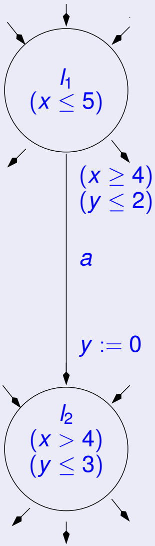

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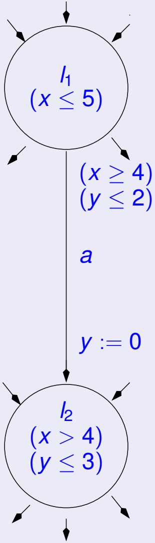

Remark: why integer constants in clock constraints?

The constant in clock constraints are assumed to be integer w.l.o.g.:

- if rationals, multiply them for their greatest common denominator, and change the time unit accordingly
- in practice, multiply by 10^k (resp 2^k), k being the number of precision digits (resp. bits), and change the time unit accordingly
  Ex: 1.345, 0.78, 102.32 seconds
  $\Longrightarrow 1,345,\ 780,\ 102,320$ milliseconds

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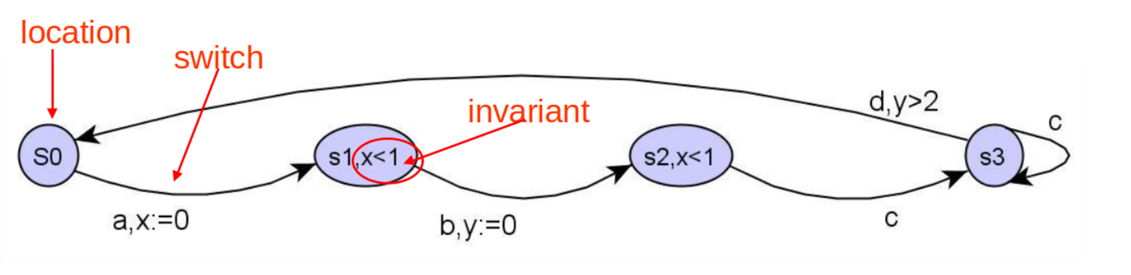

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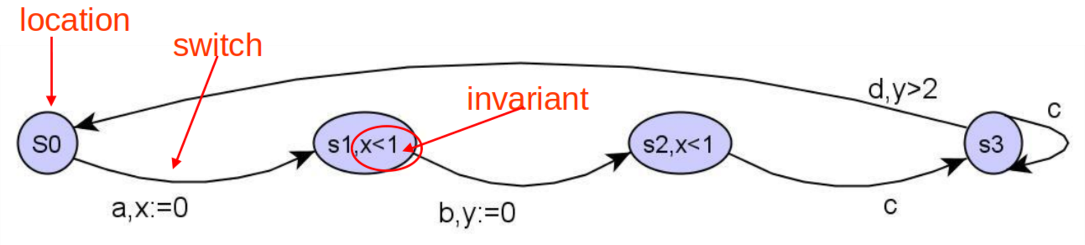

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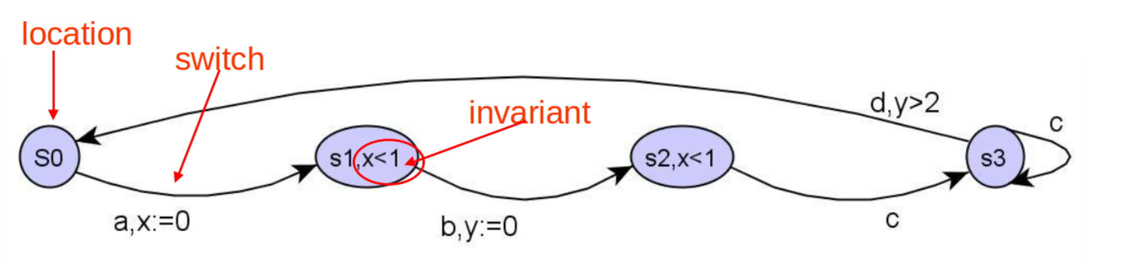

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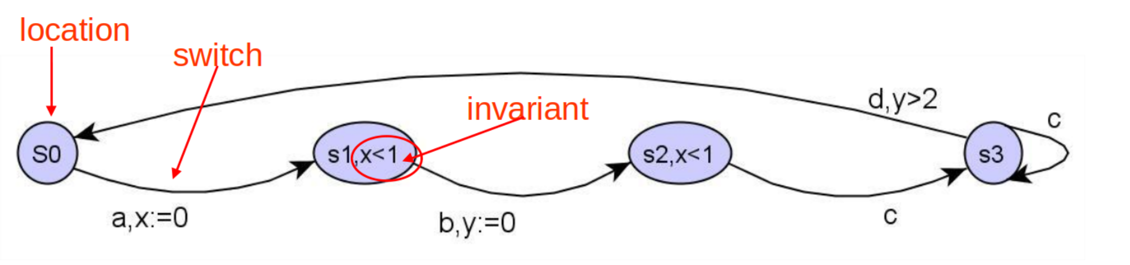

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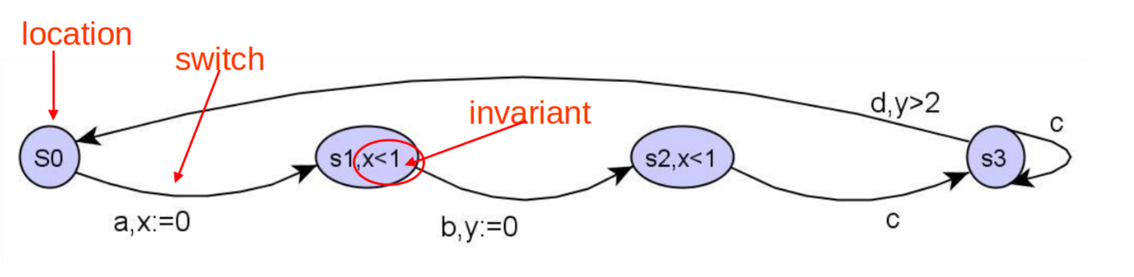

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- Q: $\{\langle l, \nu \rangle\}$ s.t. l location and ν clock evaluation
- Q^0: $\{\langle l, \nu \rangle\}$ s.t. $l \in L^0$ location and $\nu(X) = 0$
- $\rightarrow$:
  - state change due to location switch
  - state change due to time elapse
- Σ: set of labels of $\Sigma \cup \mathbb{Q}^+$

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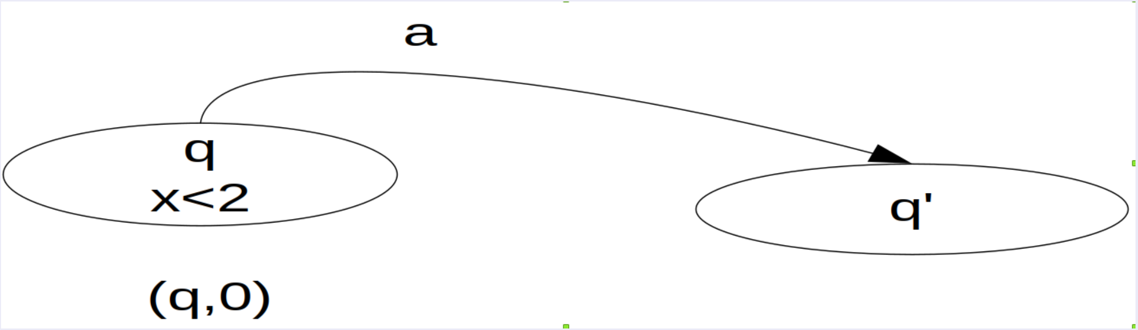

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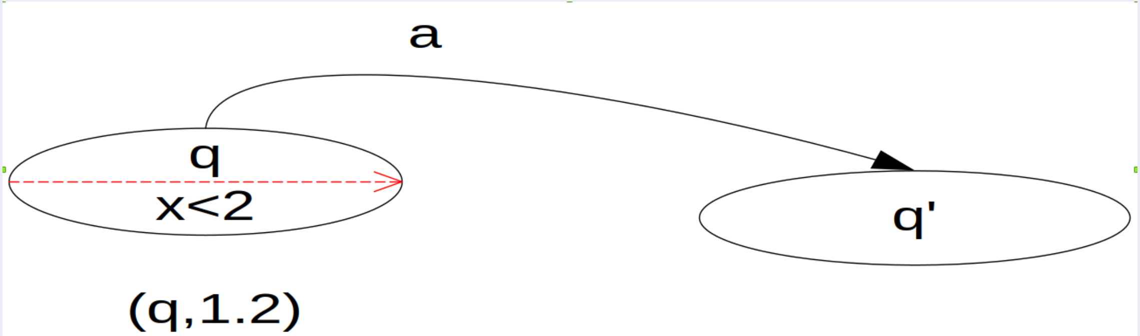

Time elapse

- $\langle q, 0\rangle \xrightarrow{1.2} \langle q, 1.2\rangle$
- state change due to elapse of time

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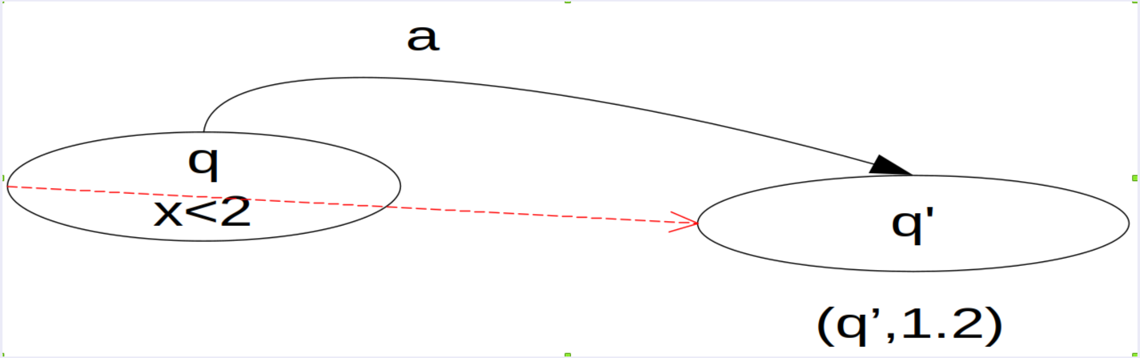

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- $\langle q, 0\rangle \xrightarrow{1.2} \langle q, 1.2\rangle \xrightarrow{a} \langle q', 1.2\rangle$ "wait δ; switch;"

$\Longrightarrow$ $\langle q, 0\rangle \xrightarrow{1.2+a} \langle q', 1.2\rangle$ "wait δ and switch;"

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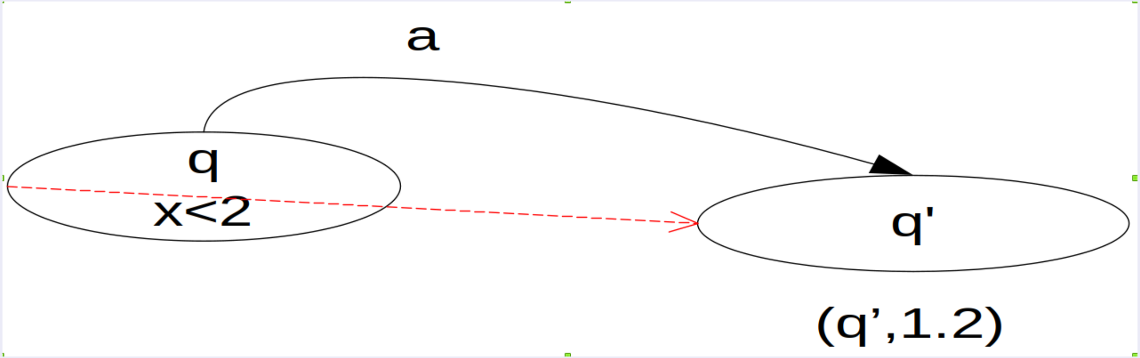

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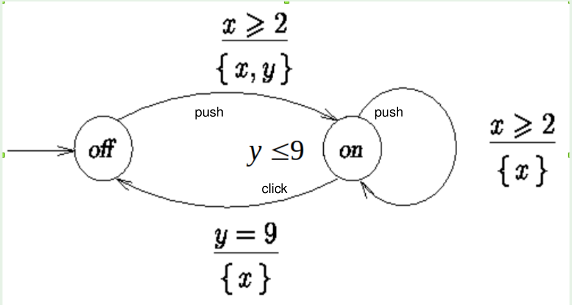

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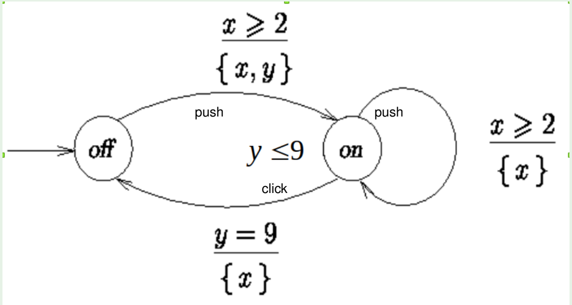

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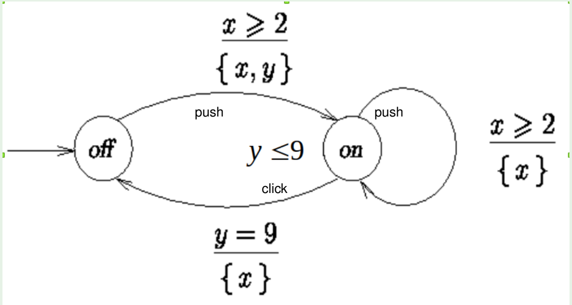

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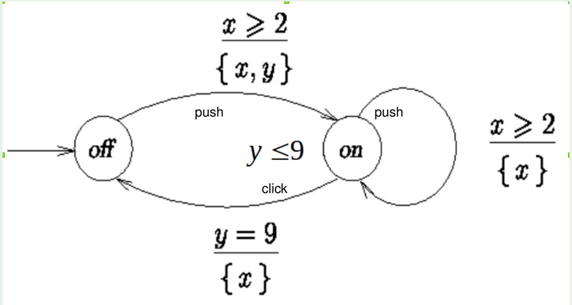

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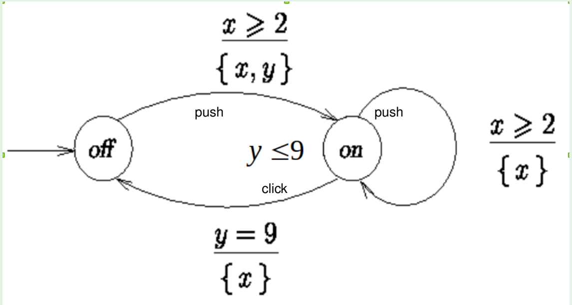

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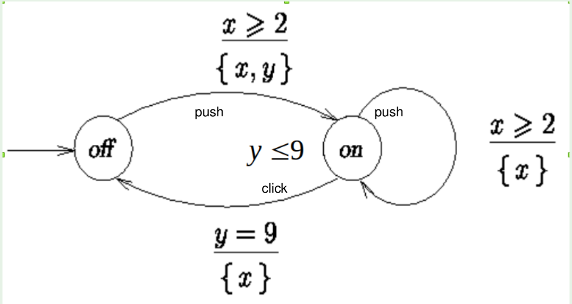

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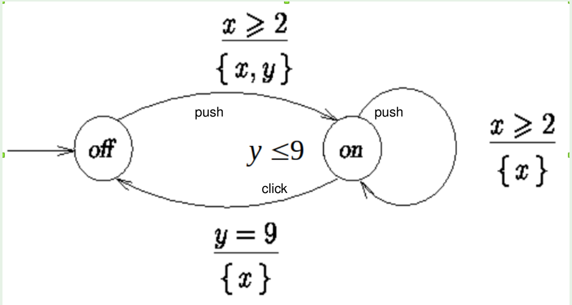

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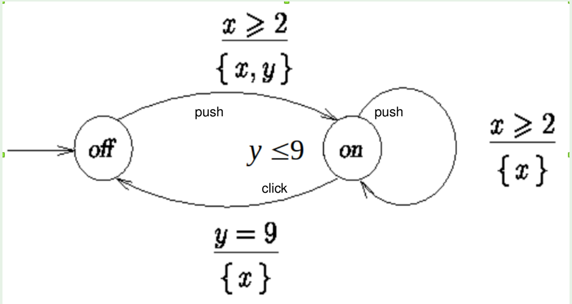

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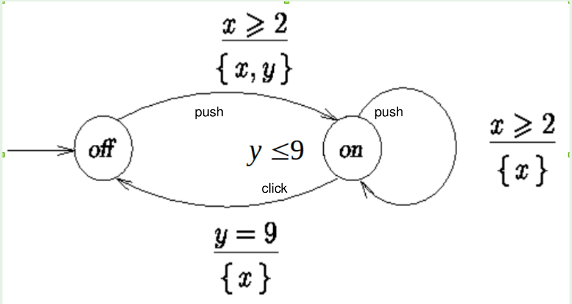

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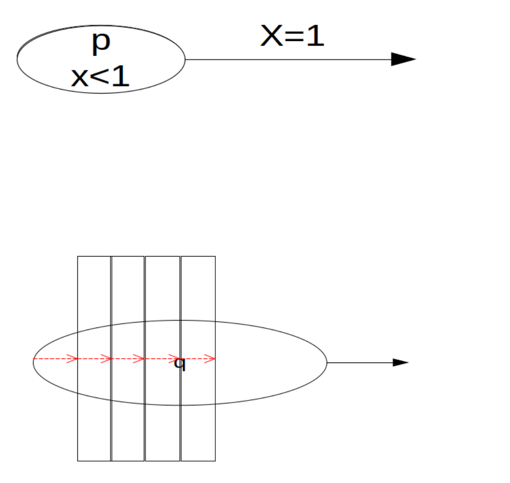
Remark: Non-Zenoness

Beware of Zeno! (paradox)

- When the invariant is violated some edge must be enabled
- Automata should admit the possibility of time to diverge



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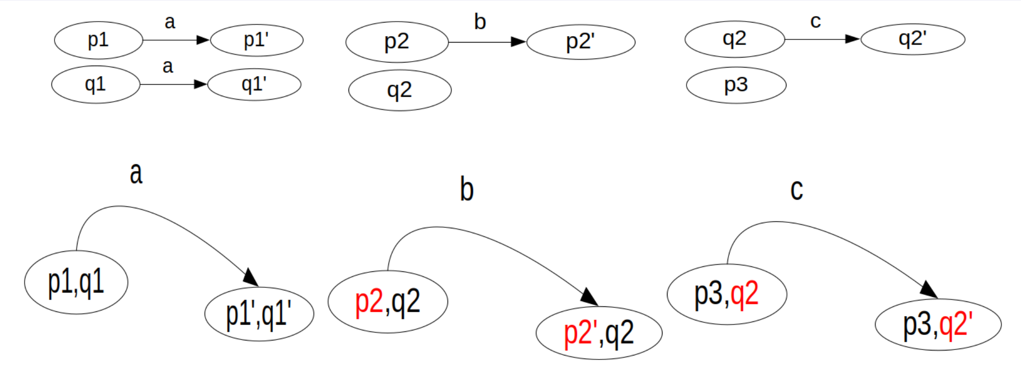

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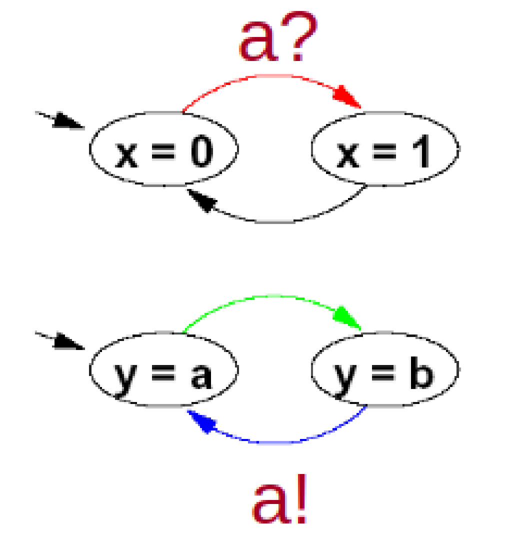

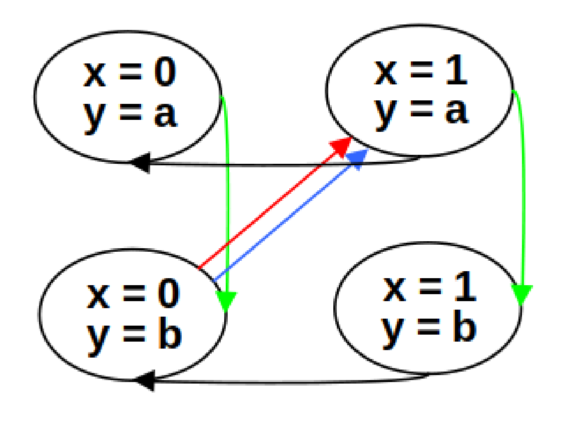

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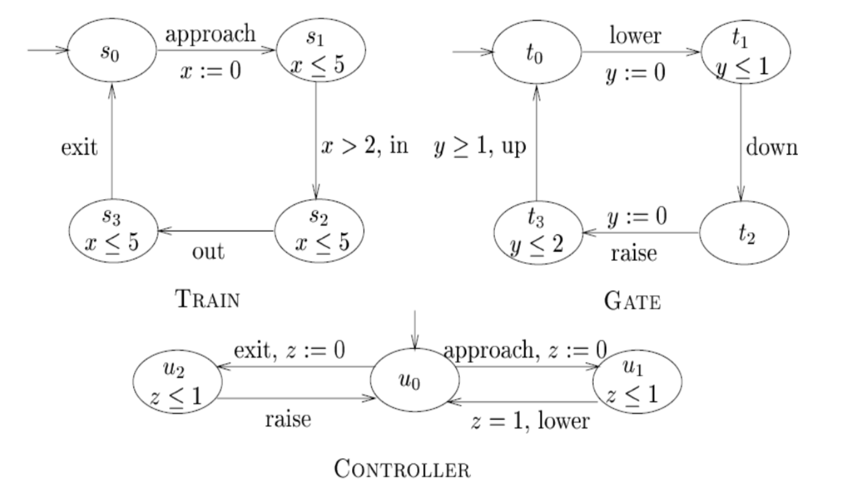
Example: Train-gate controller [Alur CAV'99]



Desired property: $G(s_2 \rightarrow t_2)$

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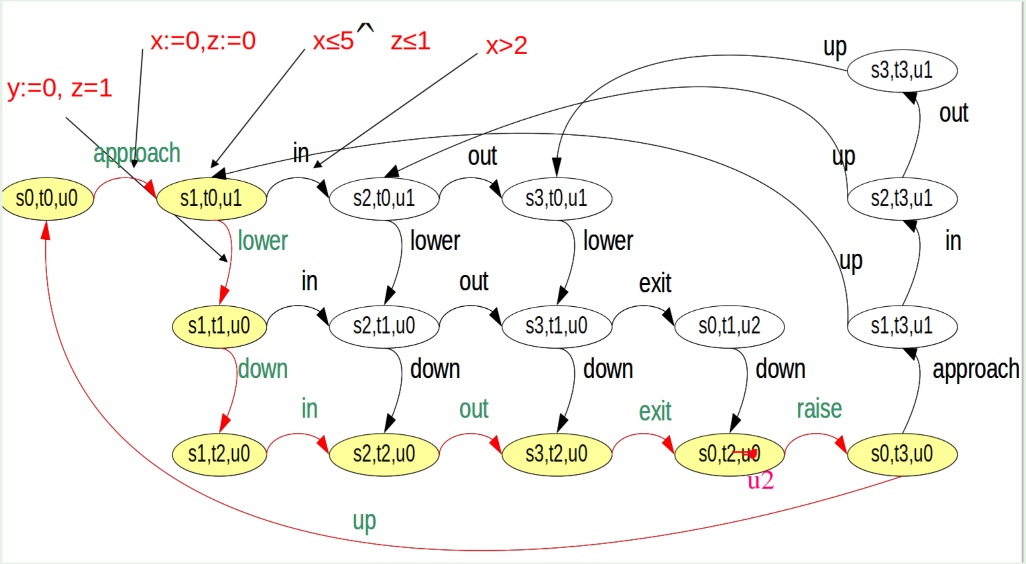

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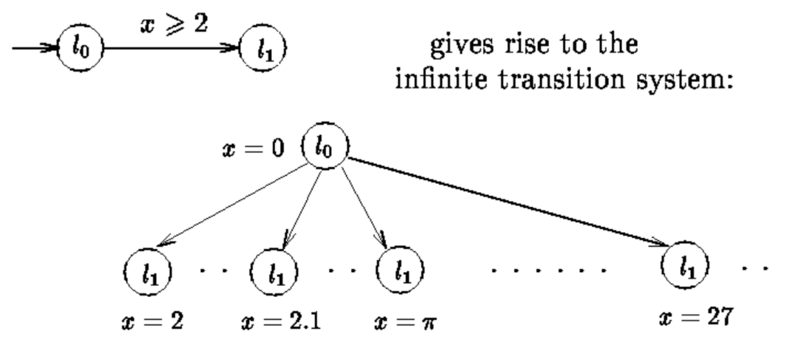
- Verification of safety requirement: reachability problem
- Input: a timed automaton A and a set of target locations $L^F \subseteq L$
- Problem: Determining whether L^F is reachable in a timed automaton A
- A location l of A is reachable if some state q with location component l is a reachable state of the transition system S_A

Timed/hybrid Systems: problem

Problem

The system S_A associated to A has infinitely-many states & symbols.

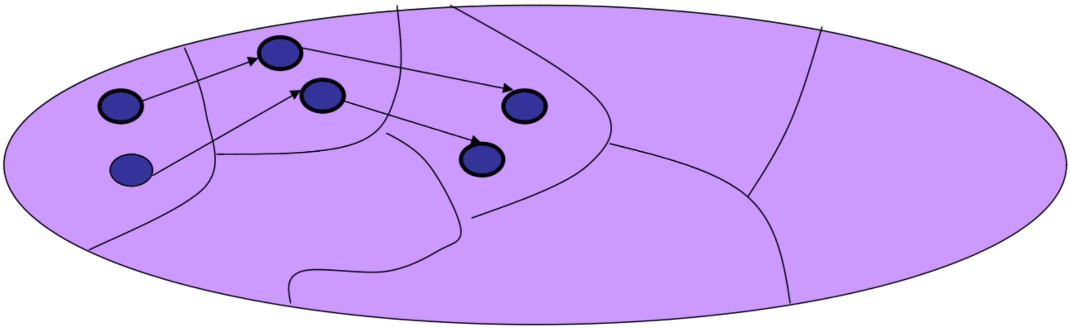
- Is finite state analysis possible?
- Is reachability problem decidable?



Idea: Finite Partitioning

Goal

Partition the state space into finitely-many equivalence classes, so that equivalent states exhibit (bi)similar behaviors



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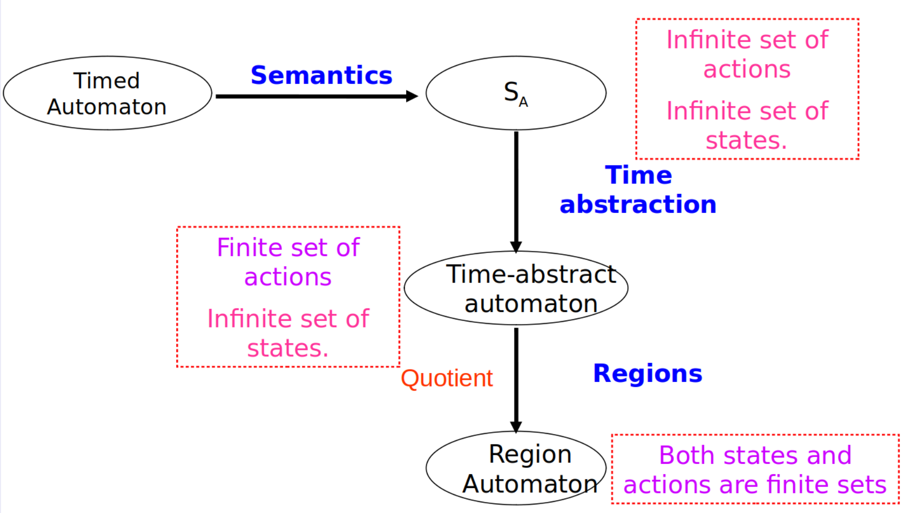

Timed Vs Time-Abstract Relations

Idea

Infinite transition system associated with a timed/hybrid automaton A:

- S_A: Labels on continuous steps are delays in $\mathbb{Q}^+$
- U_A (time-abstract): actual delays are suppressed
  $\Longrightarrow$ all continuous steps have same label
- from "wait δ and switch" to "wait (sometime) and switch"

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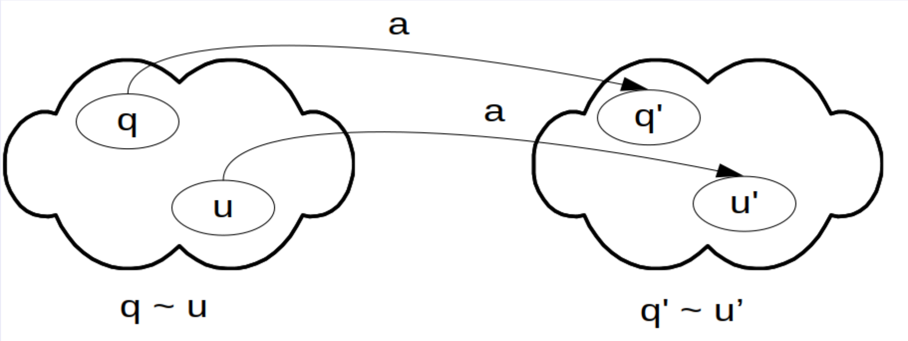
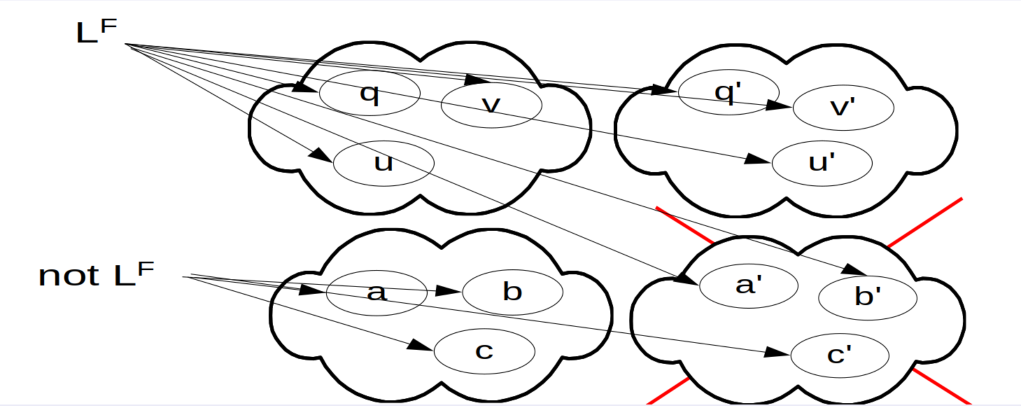


Idea: Collapse states which are equivalent modulo "wait & switch"

- Cut to finitely many states
- Stable equivalence relation
- Quotient of U_A = transition system $[U_A]$

L^F-sensitive equivalence relation



All equivalent states in a class belong to either L^F or not L^F

- E.g.: states with different labels cannot be equivalent

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Stable Quotient: Intuitive example

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"Take the next #5 bus to TN train station and then the 6pm train to VR"

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  - Train to VR leaves at TN train station at 6.00pm
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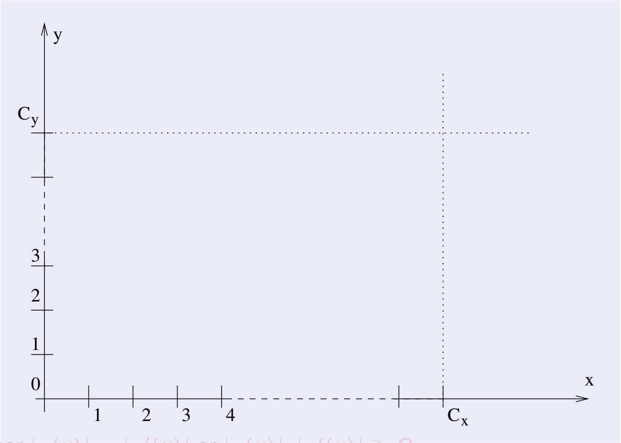

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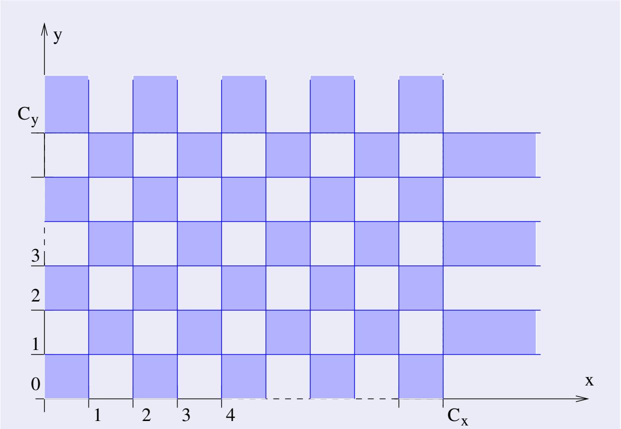

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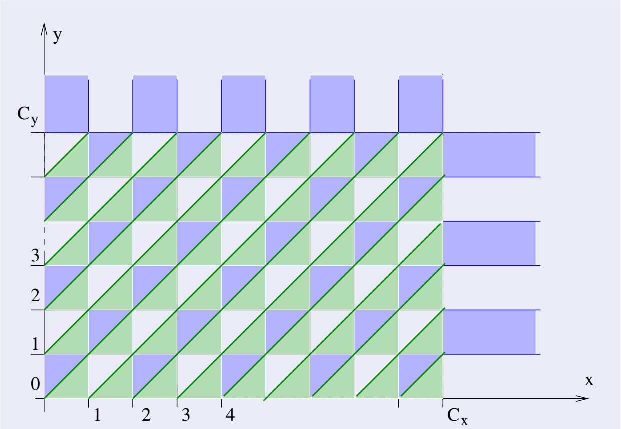

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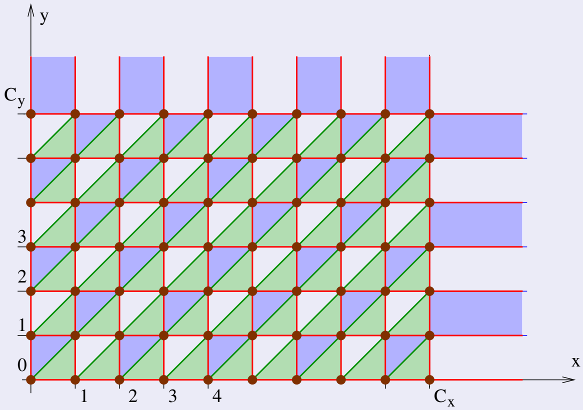

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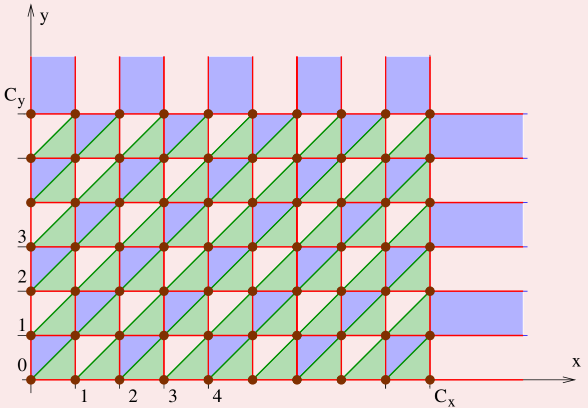

Intuition: $\nu \cong \nu'$ iff they satisfy the same set of constraints in the form

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s.t. $c \leq C_{x_i}$

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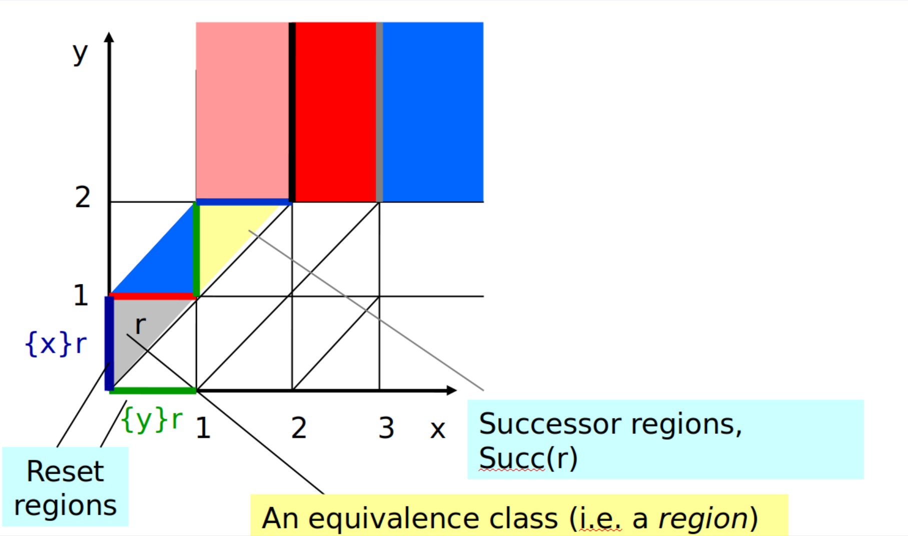

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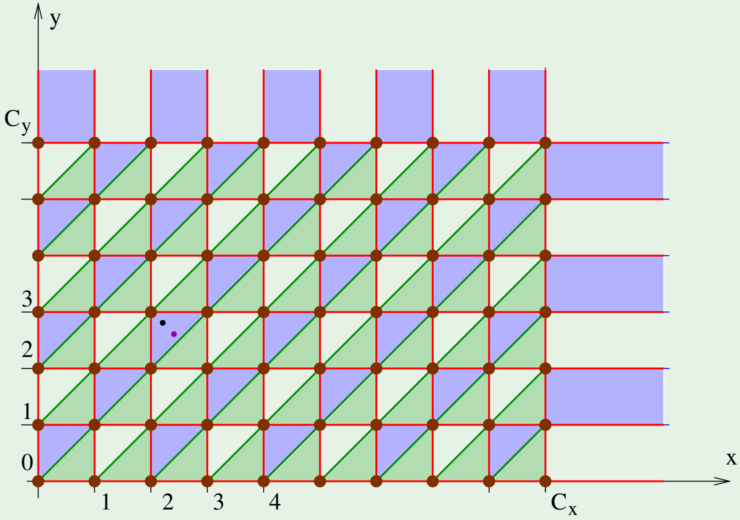

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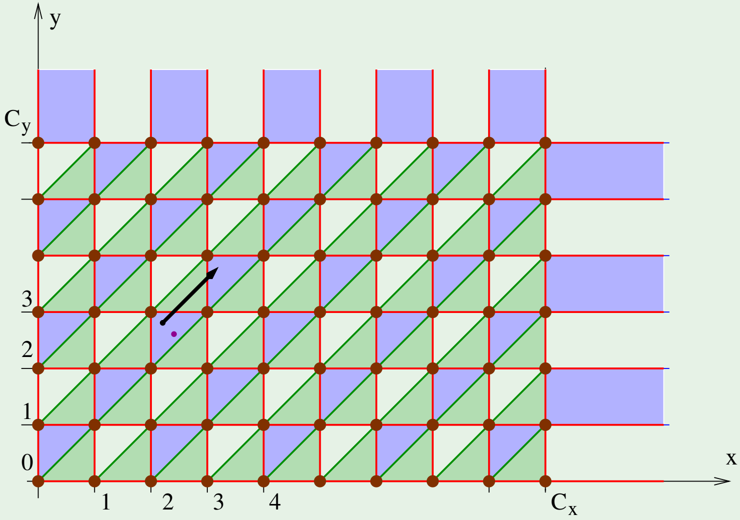

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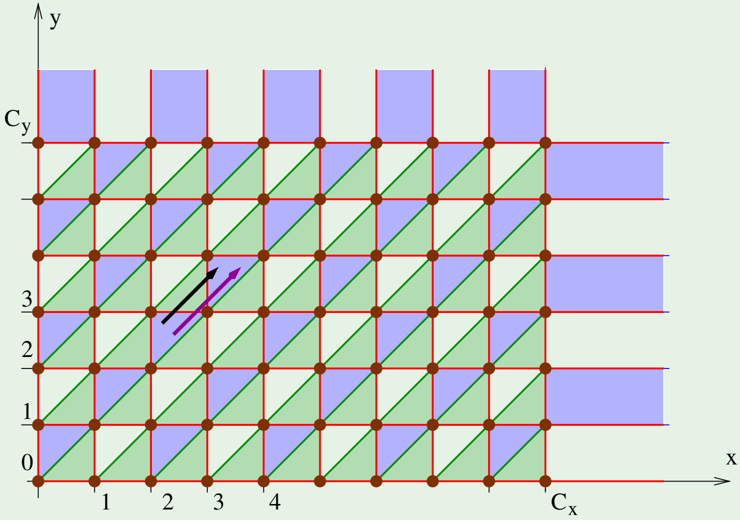

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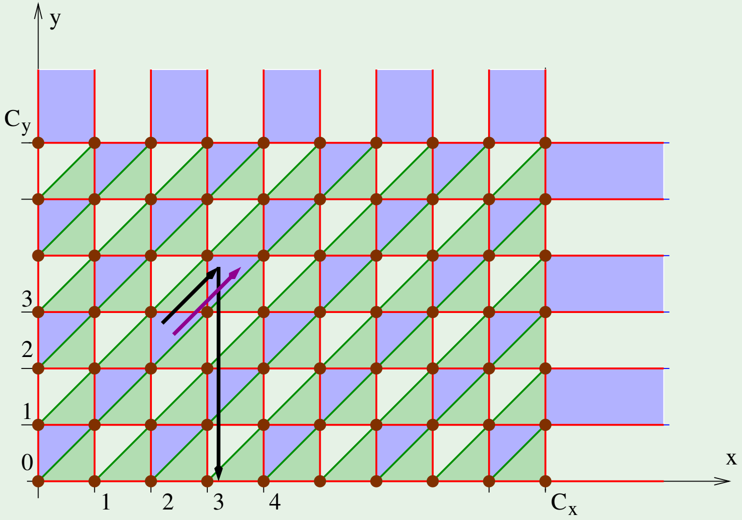

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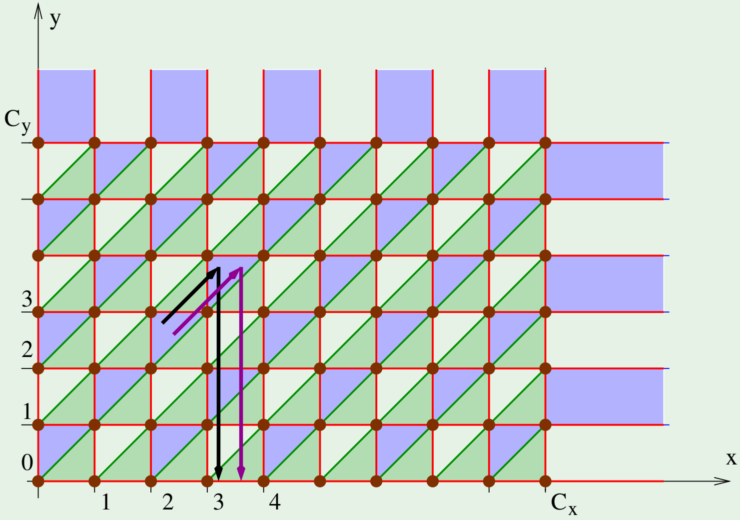

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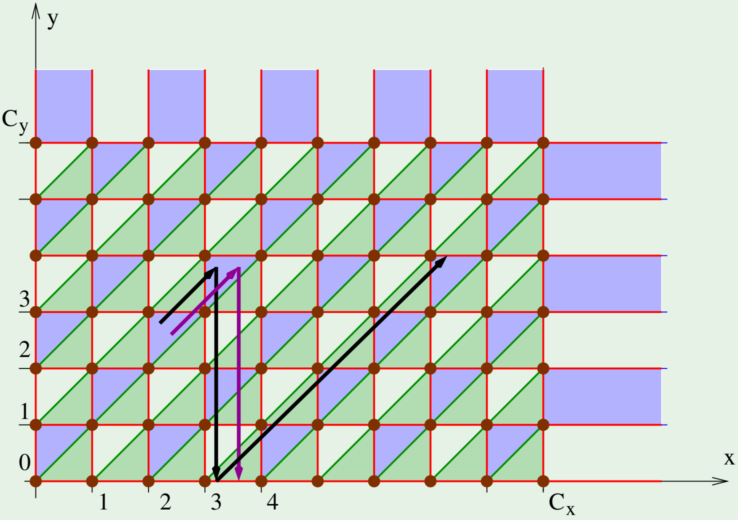

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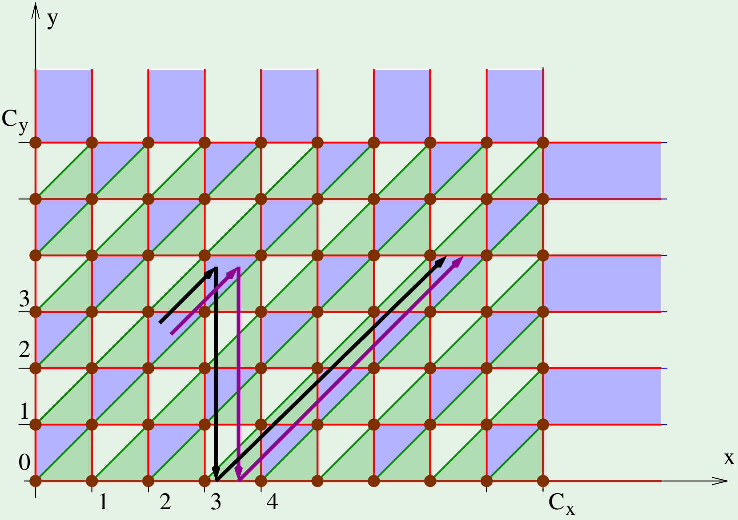

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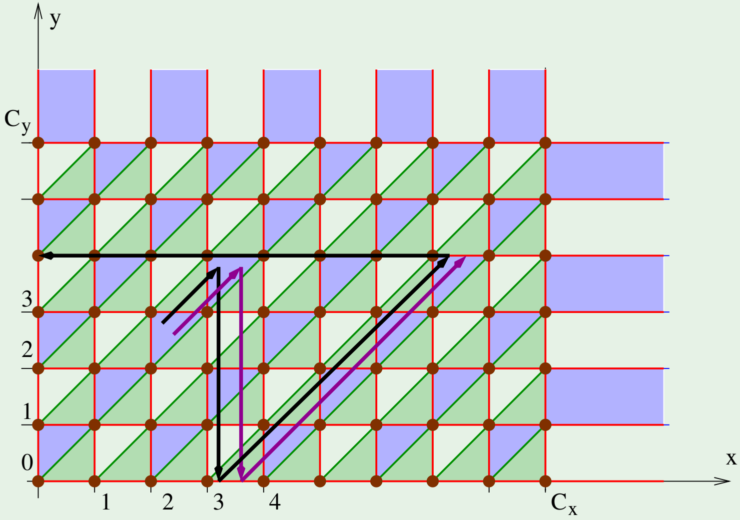

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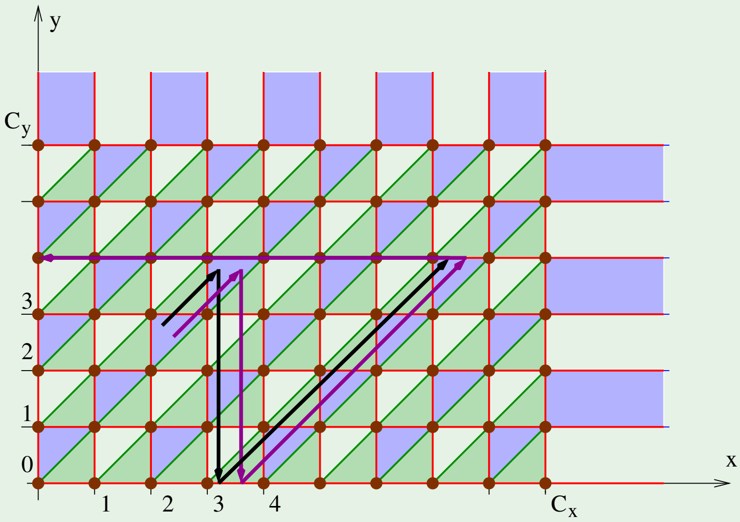

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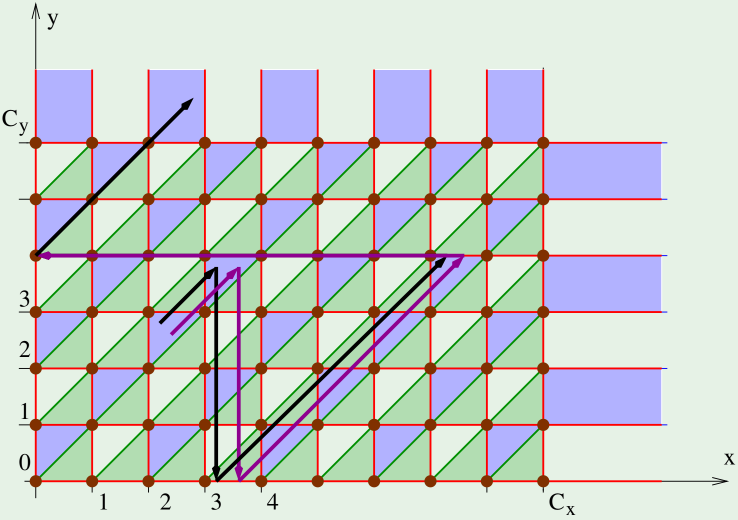

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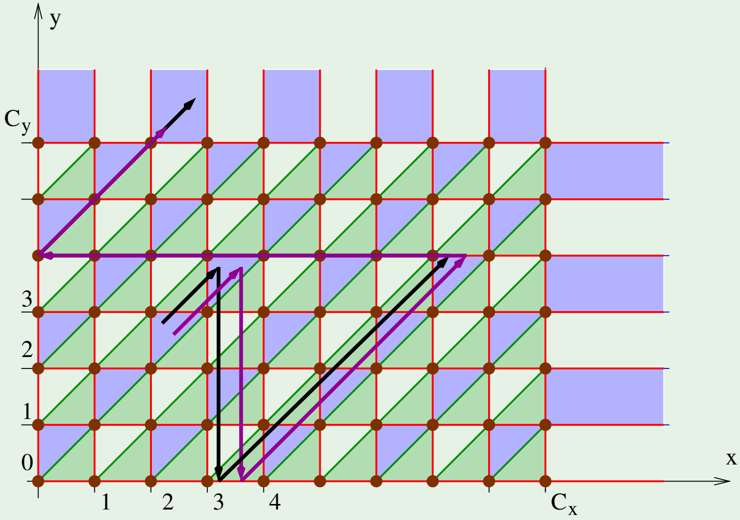

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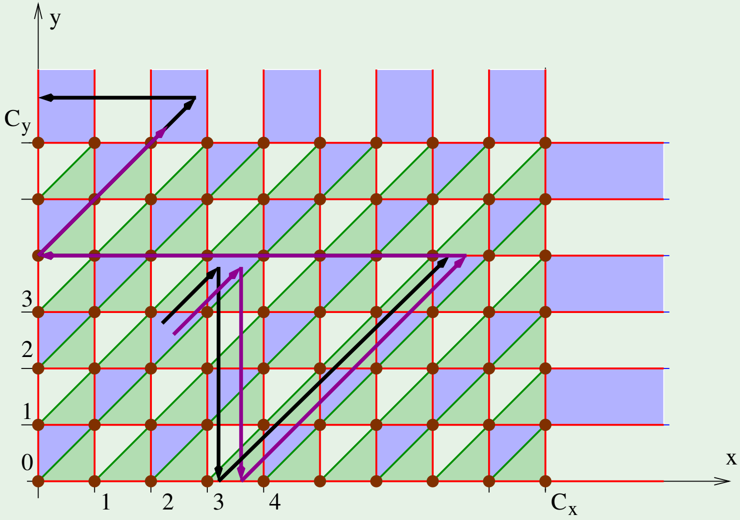

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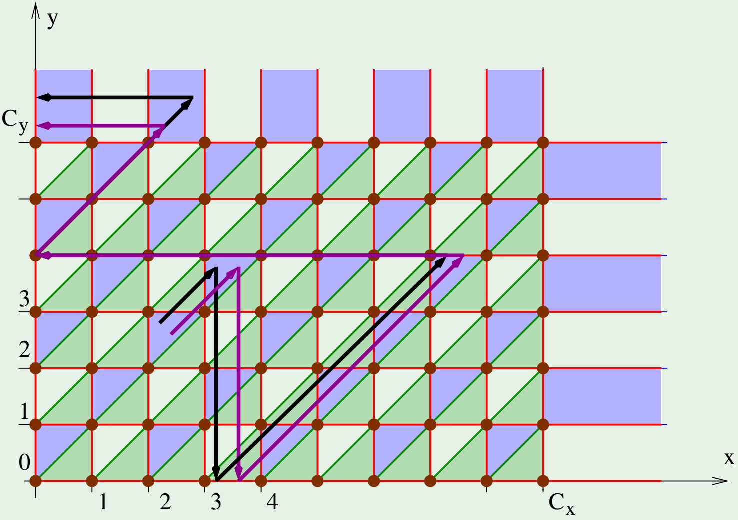

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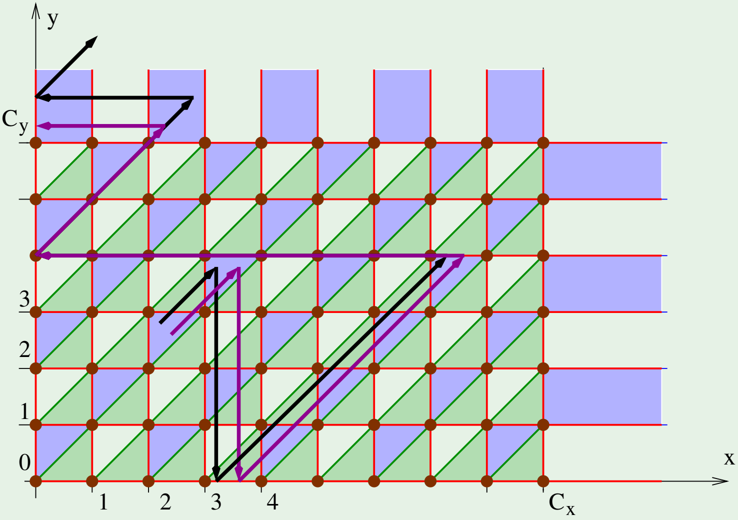

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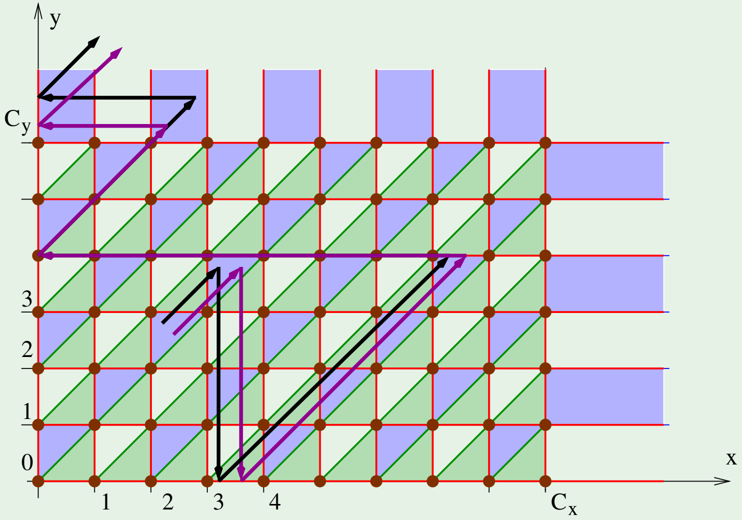

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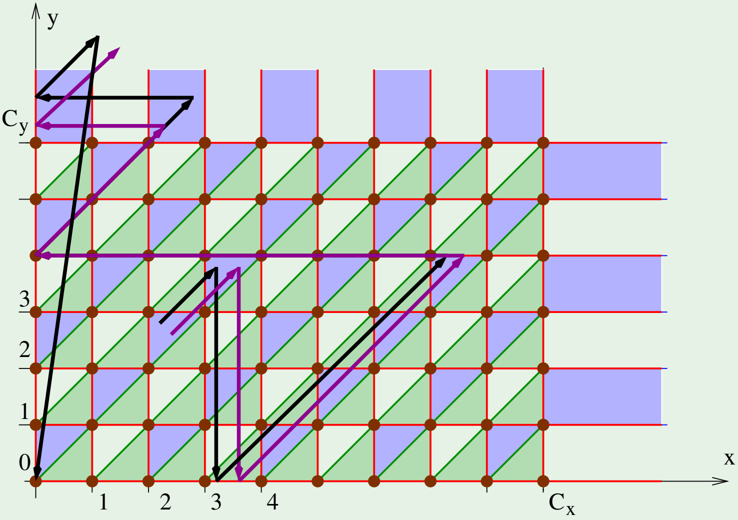

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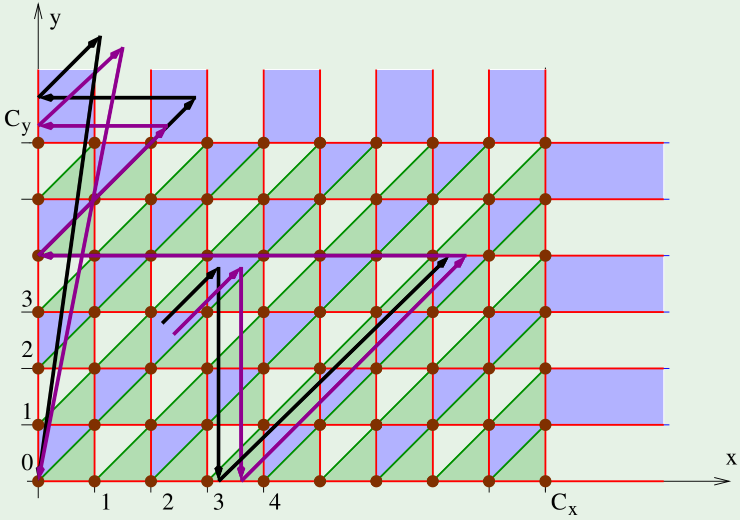

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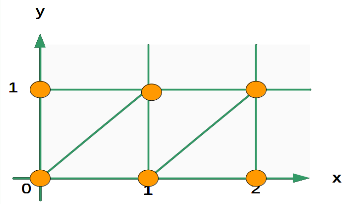

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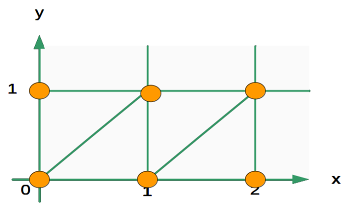

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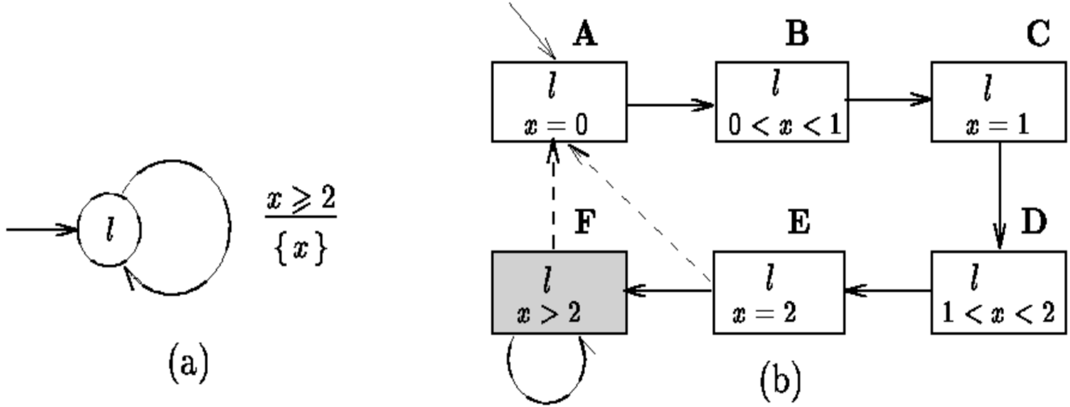

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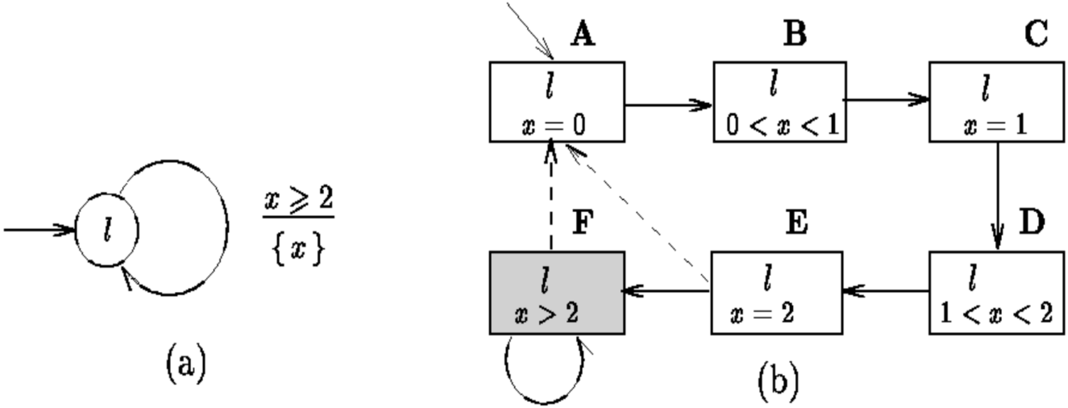

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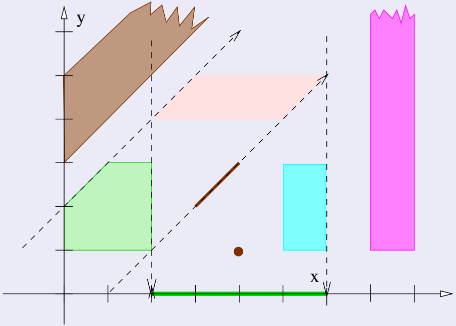

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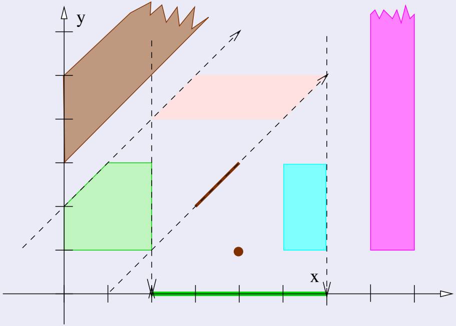

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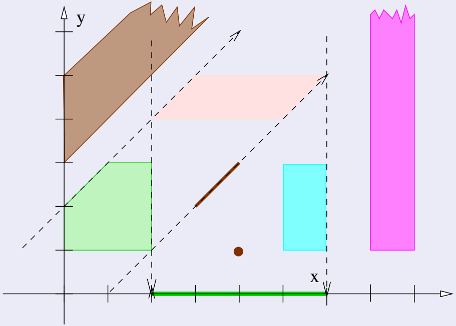

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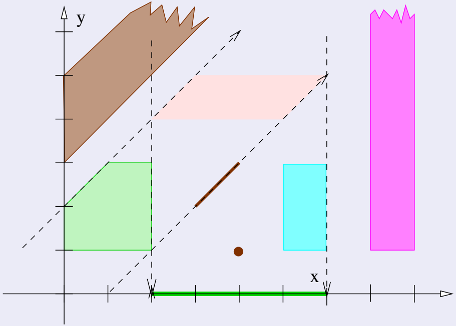

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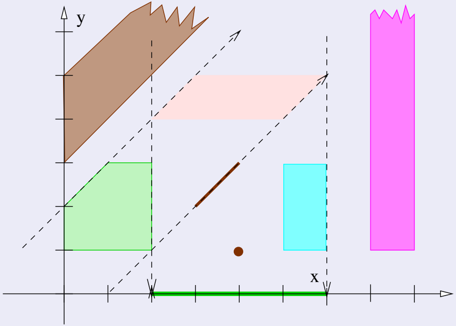

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Definition: $succ(\varphi, e)$

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- Then

$$succ(\varphi, e) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (((\varphi \wedge \phi)\Uparrow \wedge \phi) \wedge \psi)[\lambda := 0]$$

  - $\wedge$: standard conjunction/intersection
  - $\Uparrow$: projection to infinity: $\psi\Uparrow \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\nu + \delta \mid \nu \in \psi, \delta \in [0, +\infty)\}$
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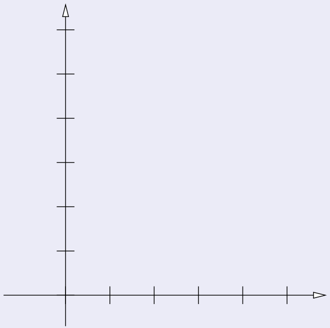

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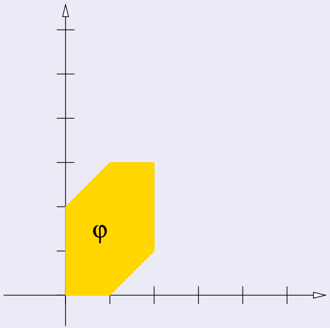

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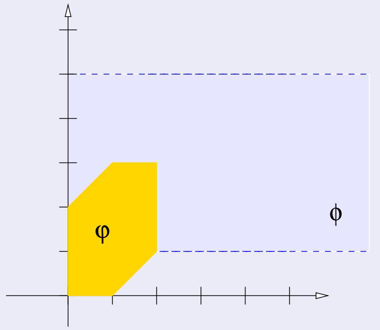

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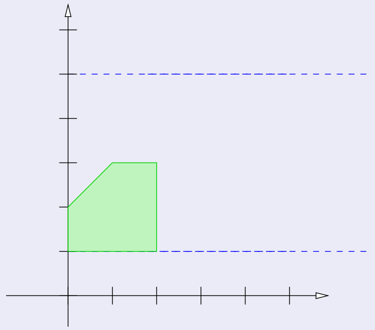

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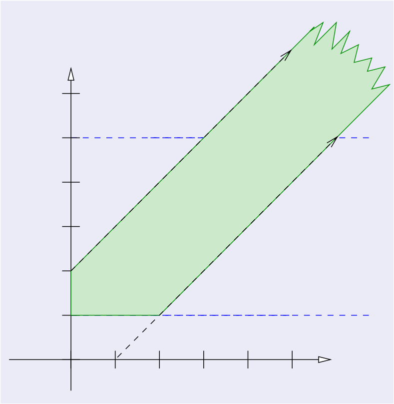

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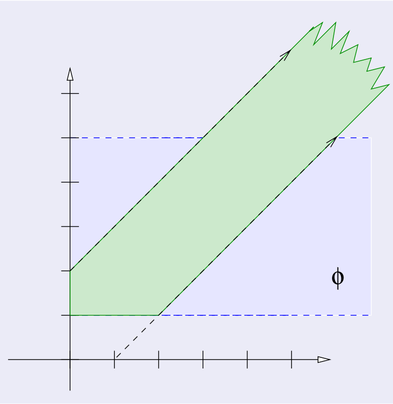

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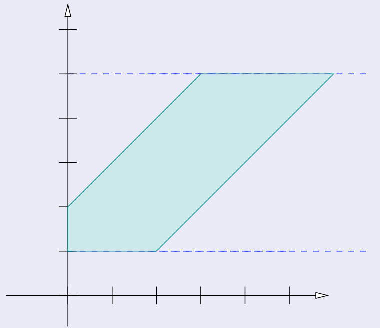

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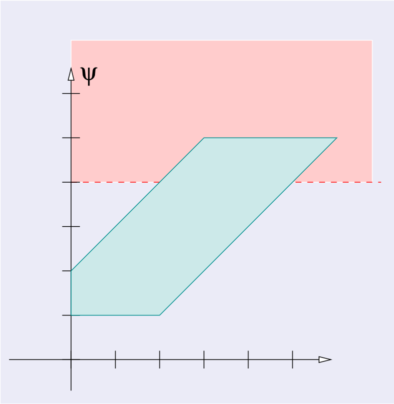

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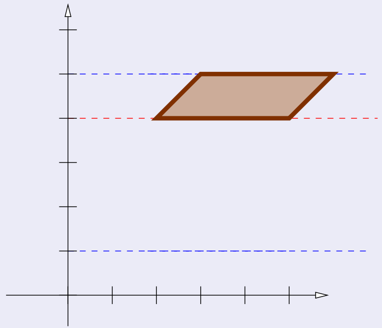

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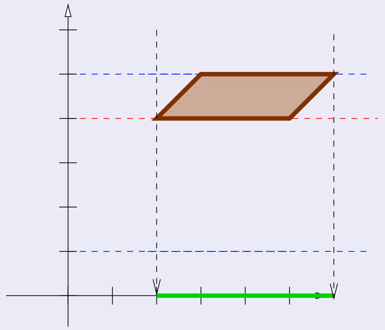

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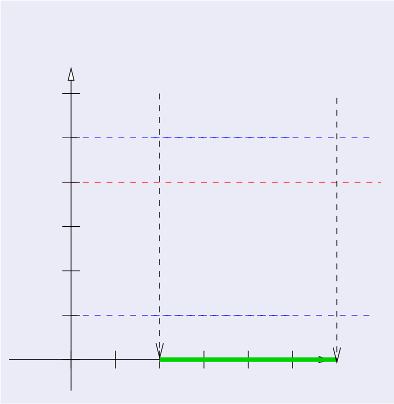

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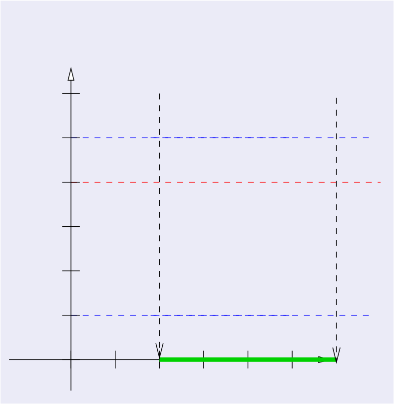

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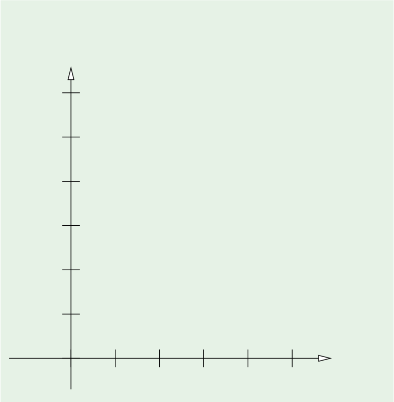

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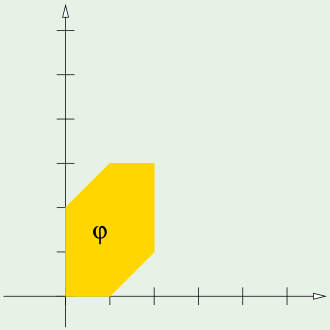

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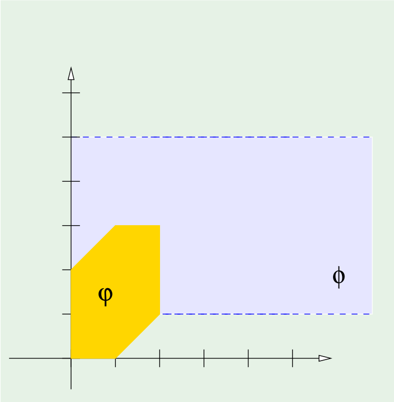

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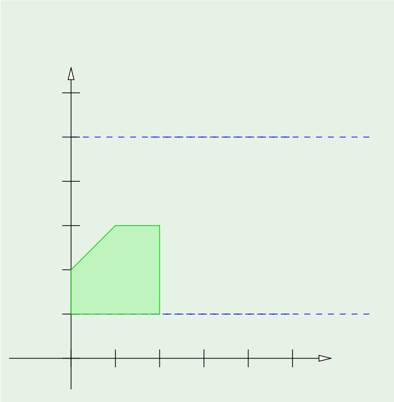

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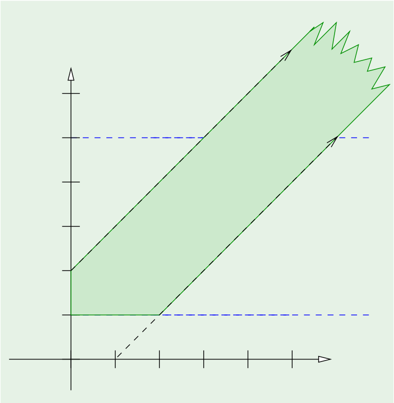

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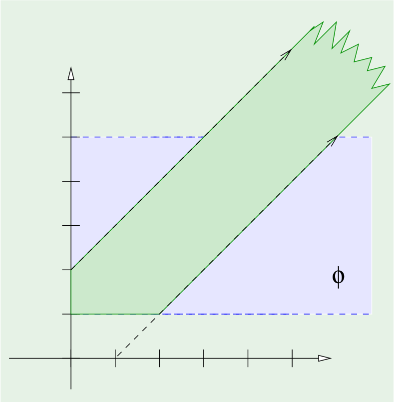

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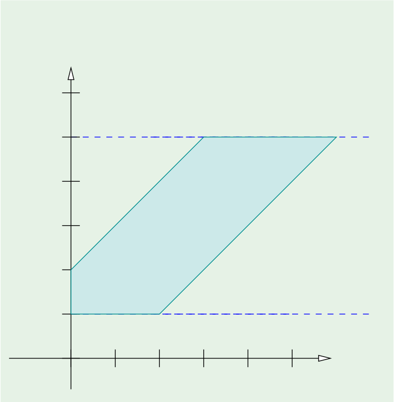

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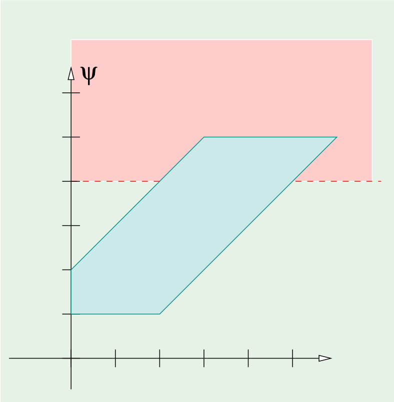

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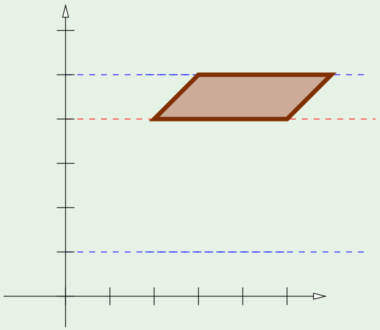

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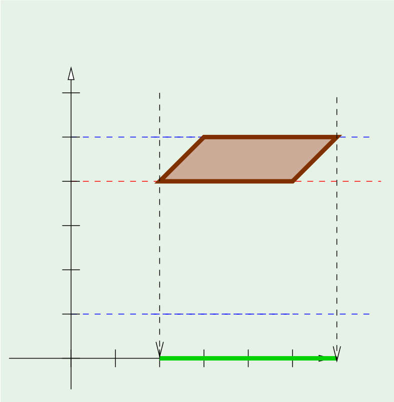

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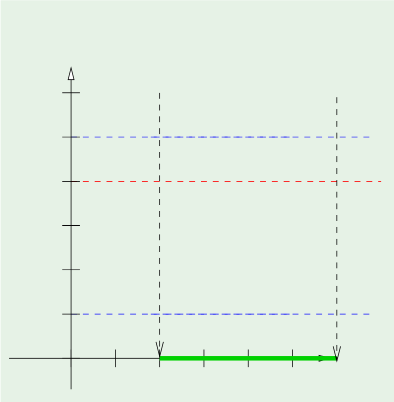

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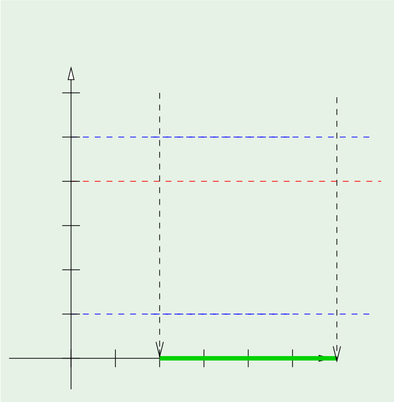

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function Reachable (A, L^F) $\quad // \ A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle L, L^0, \Sigma, X, \Phi(X), E \rangle$
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    $\mathit{Frontier} = \{\langle l_i, \{X = 0\}\rangle \mid l_i \in L^0\}$
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        extract $\langle l, \varphi \rangle$ *from* *Frontier*
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            return True
        end if
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Difference-bound Matrices (DBMs)

- Matrix representation of constraints
  - bounds on a single clock
  - differences between 2 clocks
- Reduced form computed by all-pairs shortest path algorithm (e.g. Floyd-Warshall)
- Reduced DBM is canonical:
  equivalent sets of constraints produce the same reduced DBM
- Operations s.a reset, time-successor, inclusion, intersection are efficient

$\Longrightarrow$ Popular choice in timed-automata-based tools

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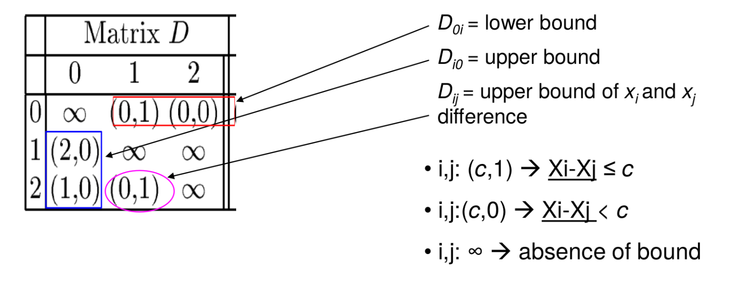

Difference-bound matrices, DBMs (cont.)

- Use all-pairs shortest paths, check DBM
  - Add $x_i - x_i \leq 0$ for each i
  - Idea: given $x_i - x_j \bowtie c$, $x_i - x_k \bowtie c_1$ and $x_k - x_j \bowtie c_2$ s.t. $\bowtie \in \{\leq, <\}$, then c is updated with $c_1 + c_2$ if $c_1 + c_2 < c$
  - Satisfiable (no negative loops) $\Longrightarrow$ a non-empty clock zone
  - Canonical: matrices with tightest possible constraints
- Canonical DBMs represent clock zones:
  equivalent sets of constraints $\iff$ same reduced DBM

	Matrix D			Matrix D'		
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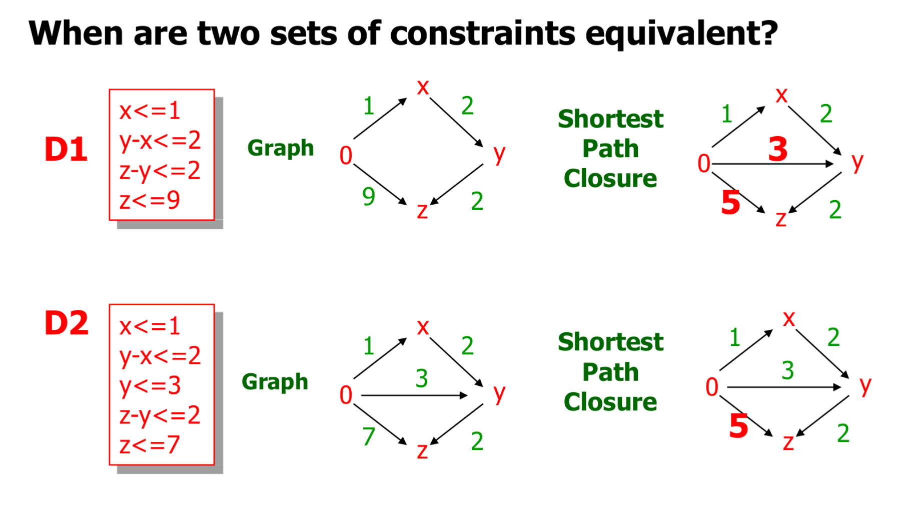

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Complexity Issues

- In theory:
  - Zone automaton might be exponentially bigger than the region automaton
- In practice:
  - Fewer reachable vertices $\Longrightarrow$ performances much improved

Timed Automata: summary

- Only continuous variables are timers
- Invariants and Guards: $x \bowtie const$, $\bowtie \in \{<, >, \leq, \geq\}$
- Actions: x:=0
- Reachability is decidable
- Clustering of regions into zones desirable in practice
- Tools: Uppaal, Kronos, RED ...
- Symbolic representation: matrices

Decidable Problems with Timed Automata

- Model checking branching-time properties of timed automata
- Reachability in rectangular automata
- Timed bisimilarity: are two given timed automata bisimilar?
- Optimization: Compute shortest paths (e.g. minimum time reachability) in timed automata with costs on locations and edges
- Controller synthesis: Computing winning strategies in timed automata with controllable and uncontrollable transitions

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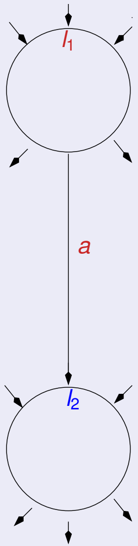

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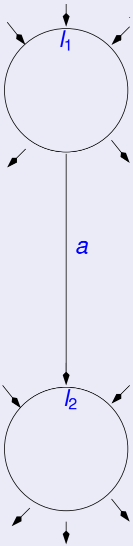

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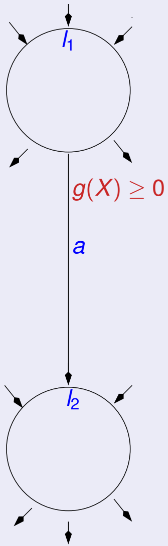

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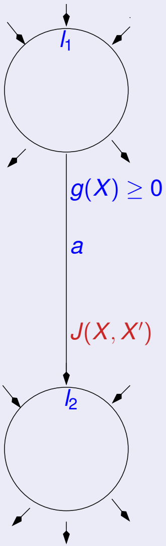

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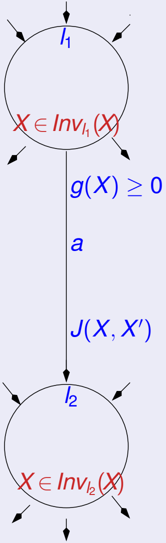

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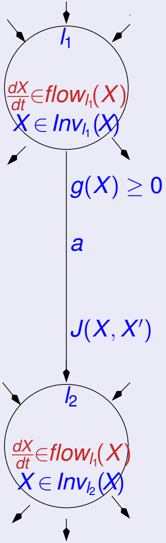

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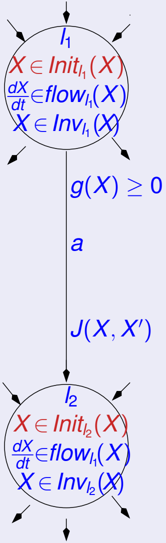

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Remark: Degree of $flow_l(X)$

- Continuous dynamics described w.l.o.g. with sets of degree-1 differential (in)equalities $flow_l(X)$
- Sets/conjunctions of higher-degree differential (in)equalities can be reduced to degree 1 by renaming
- Ex:

$$\left(a_1 \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} + a_2 \frac{ds}{dt} + a_3 s + a_4 \bowtie 0\right)$$
$$\Downarrow$$
$$\left(v = \frac{ds}{dt}\right) \wedge \left(a_1 \frac{dv}{dt} + a_2 v + a_3 s + a_4 \bowtie 0\right)$$

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(Finite) Executions of Hybrid Automata

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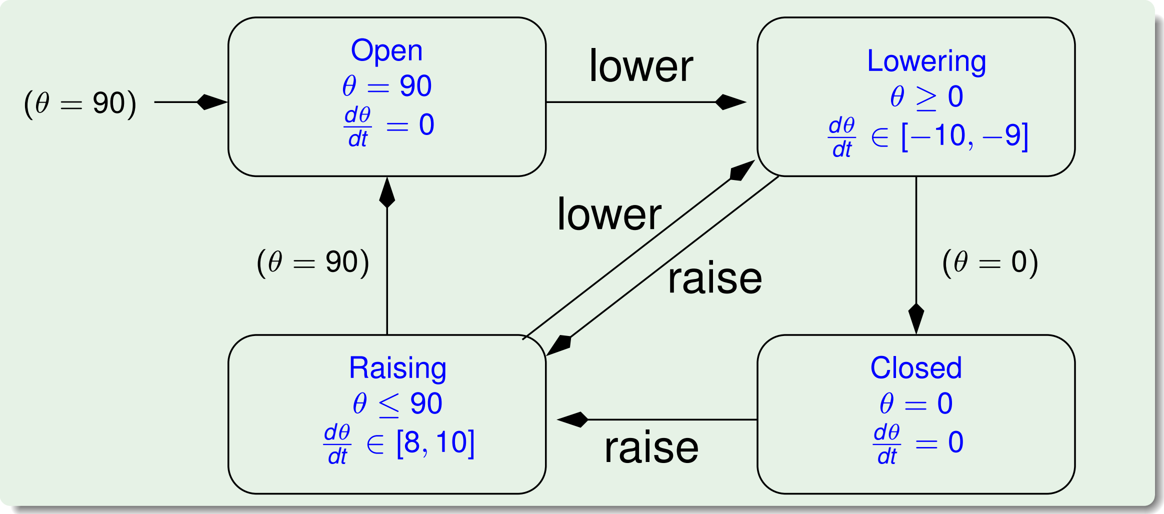

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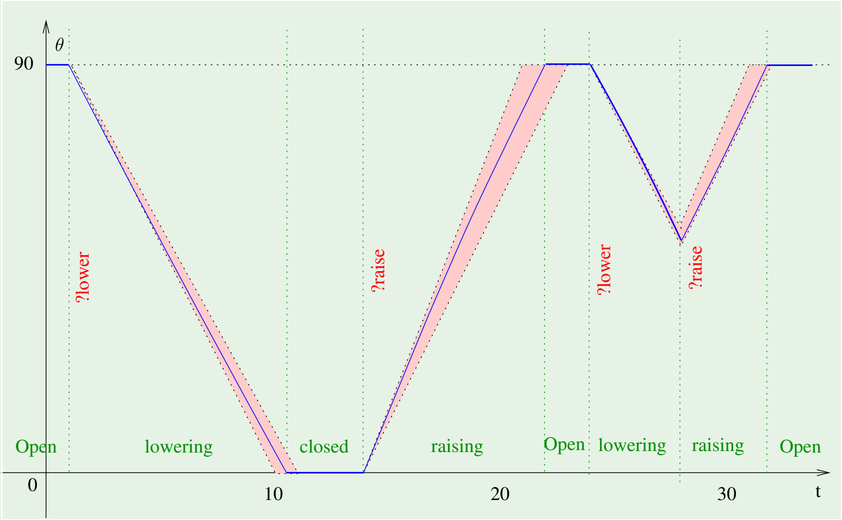

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General Symbolic-Reachability Schema

```
R = I(X)
while (True) do
    if (R intersects F) then
        return True
    else
        if (Image(R) ⊆ R) then
            return False
        else
            R = R ∪ Image(R)
        end if
    end if
end while
```

- I: initial; F: Final; R: Reachable; Image(R): successors of R
- need a data type to representt state sets (regions)
- Termination may or may not be guaranteed

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Reachability Analysis for Dynamical Systems

- Goal: Given an initial region, compute whether a bad state can be reached
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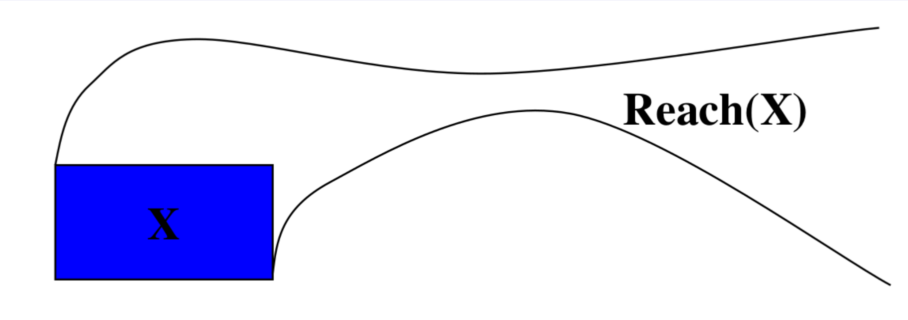

Notation: (hereafter we often use "dX" or "$\dot{X}$" as a shortcut of "$\frac{dX}{dt}$")

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Simple Hybrid Automata: Multi-Rate and Rectangular

Two simple forms of Hybrid Automata

- Multi-Rate Automata
- Rectangular Automata
- Idea: can be reduced to Timed Automata
- Typically used as over-approximations of complex hybrid automata

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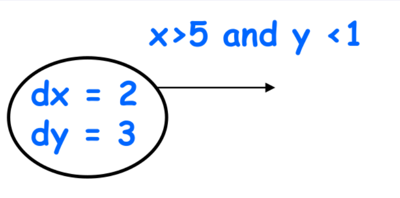

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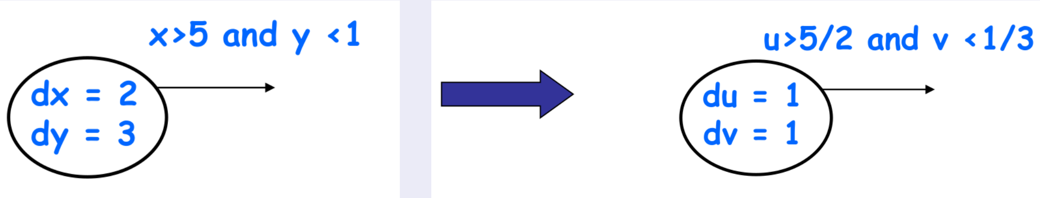

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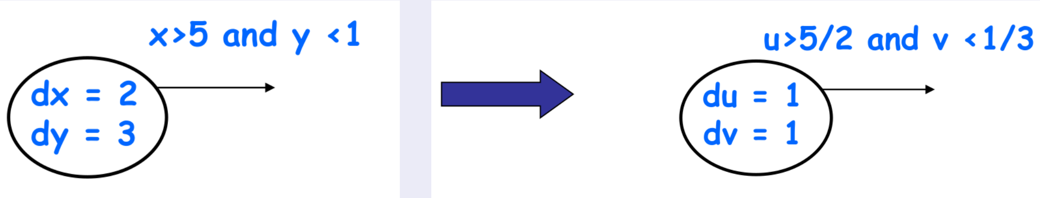

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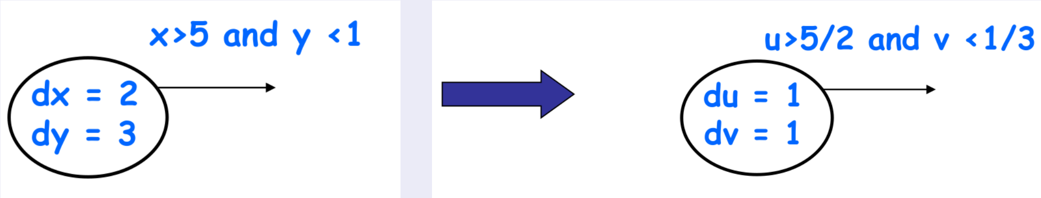

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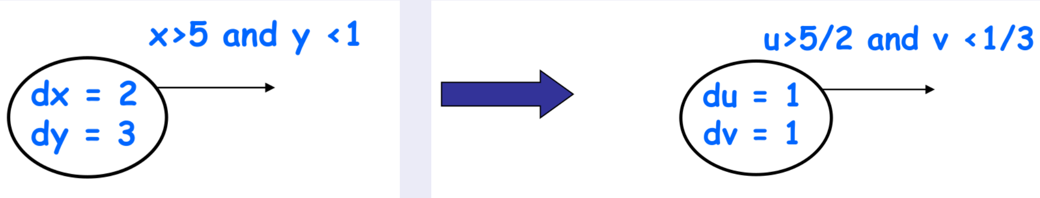

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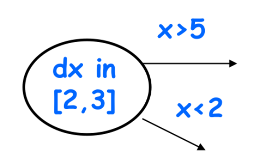

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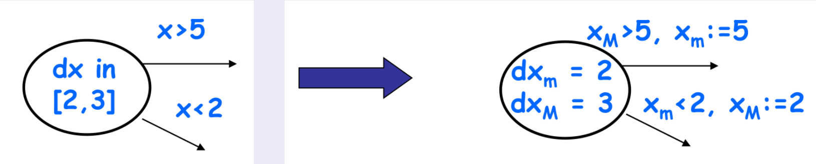

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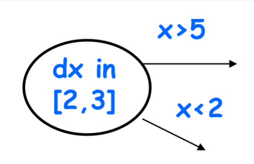

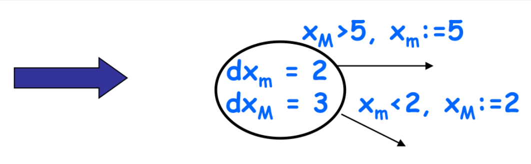

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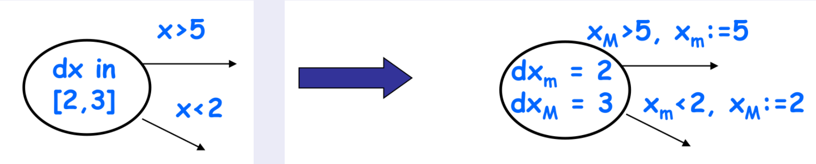

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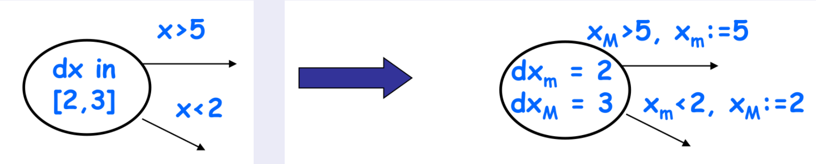

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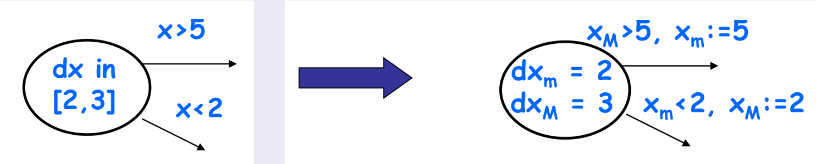

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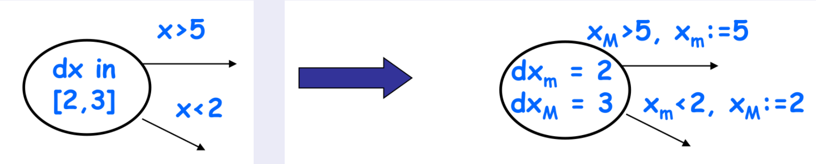

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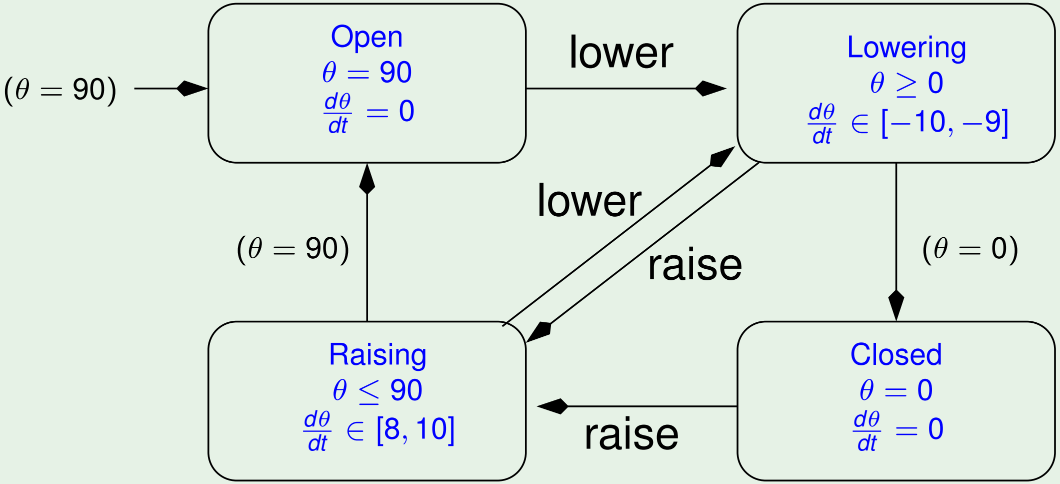

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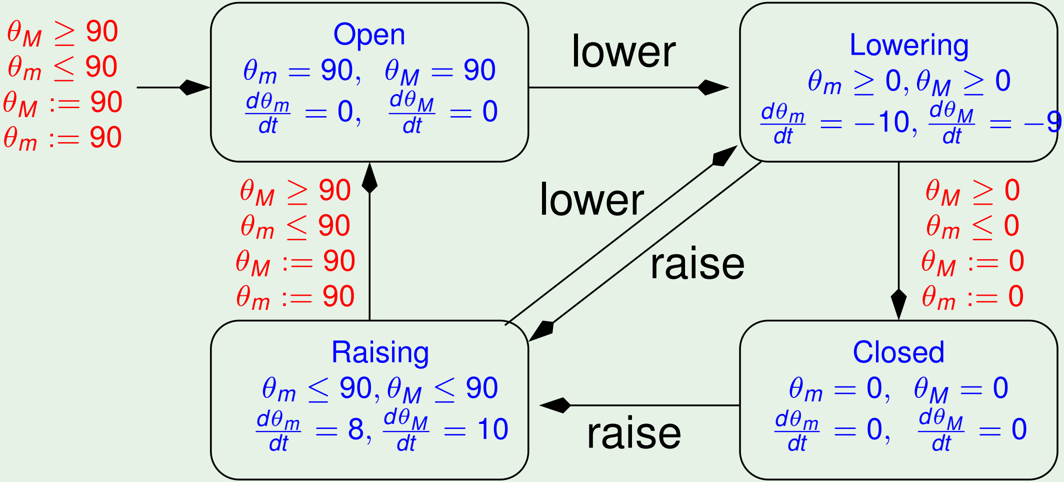

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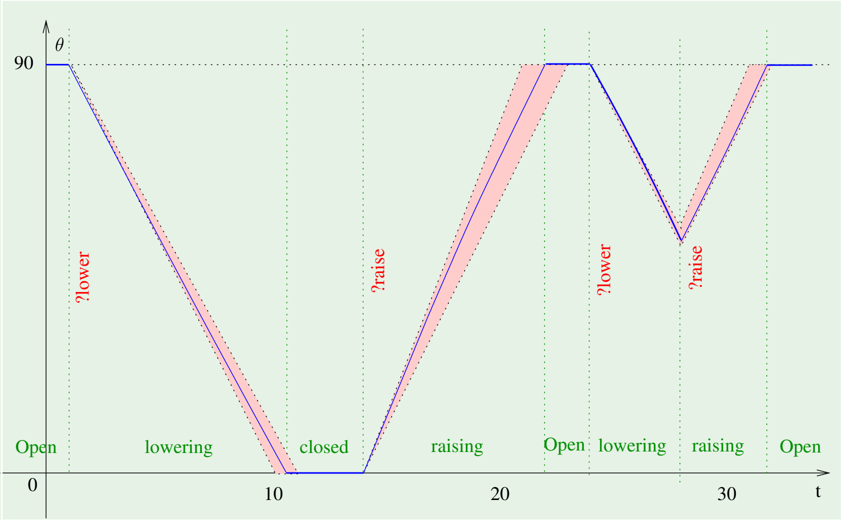

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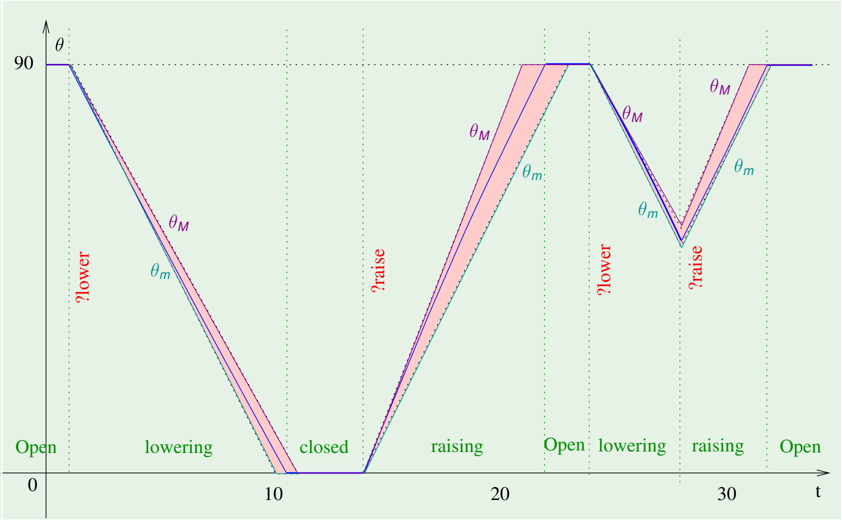

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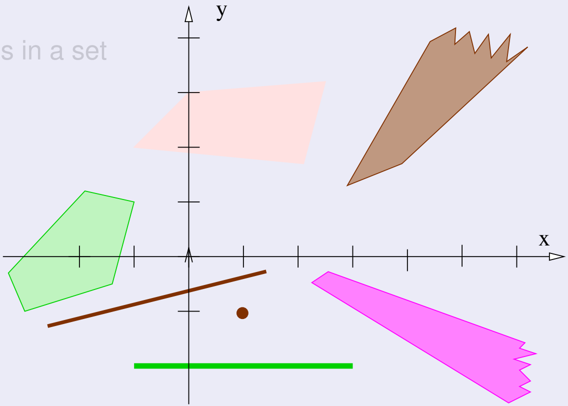

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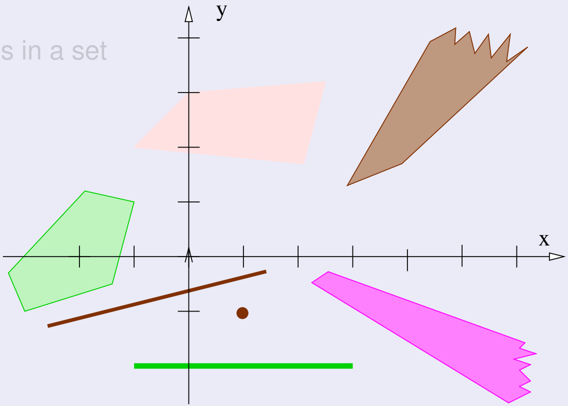

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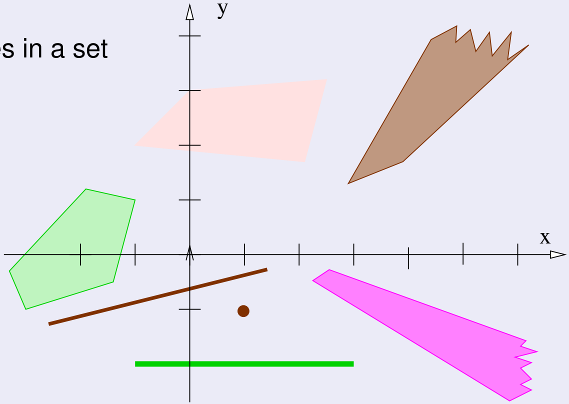

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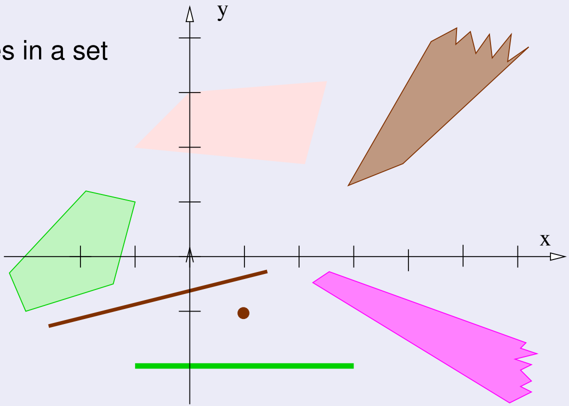

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  - polyhedron ψ: subset of $\mathbb{R}^k$ in the form $A \cdot X \geq B$
- For each edge e from location l to location l'
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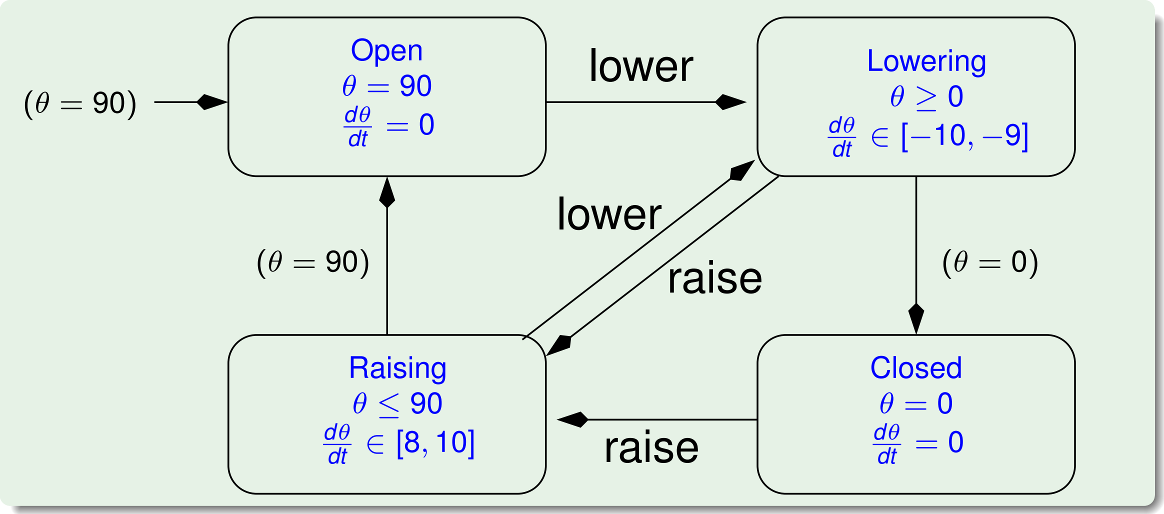

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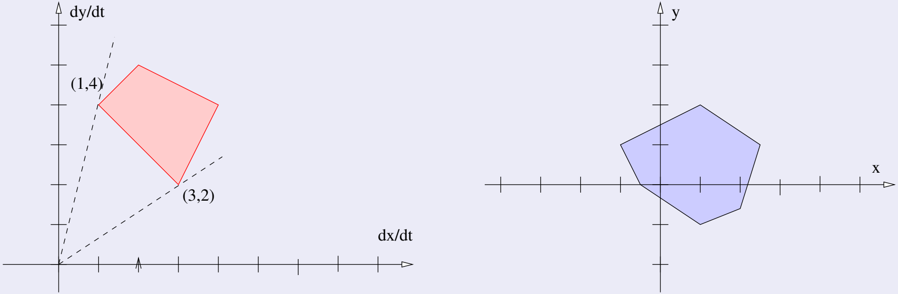

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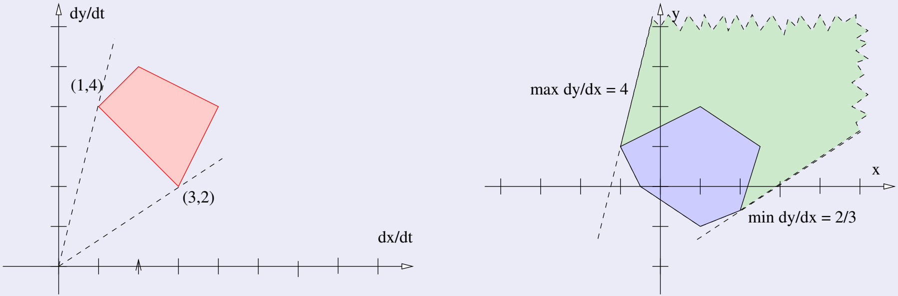

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Definition: $succ(\varphi, e)$

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- note: φ is considered "immediately after entering l"

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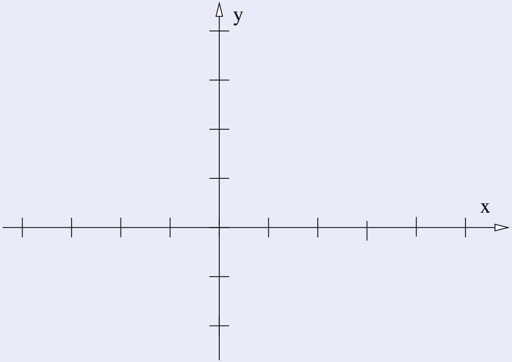

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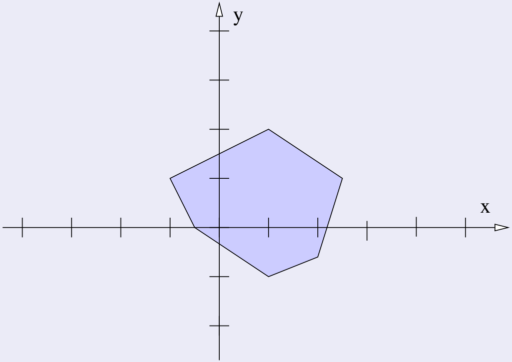

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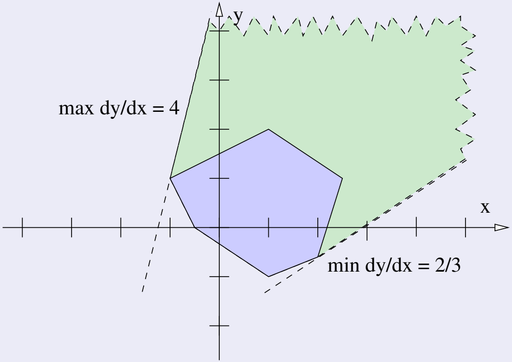

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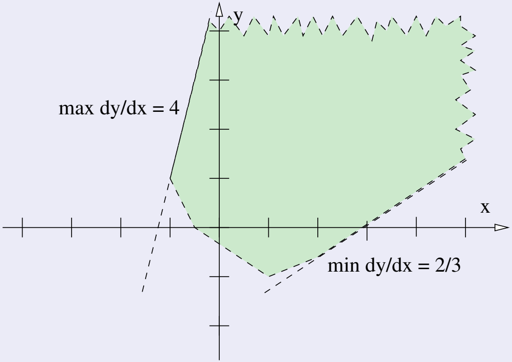

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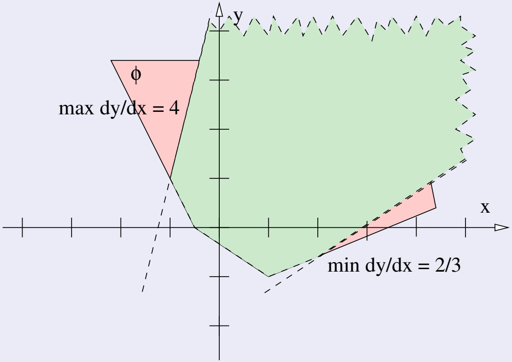

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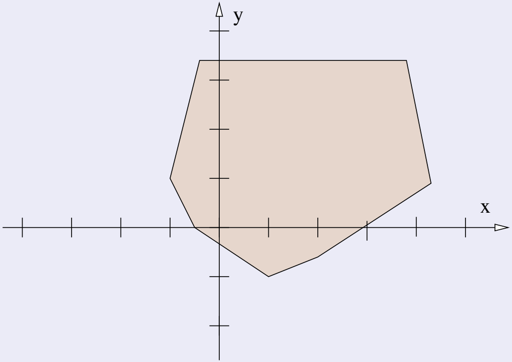

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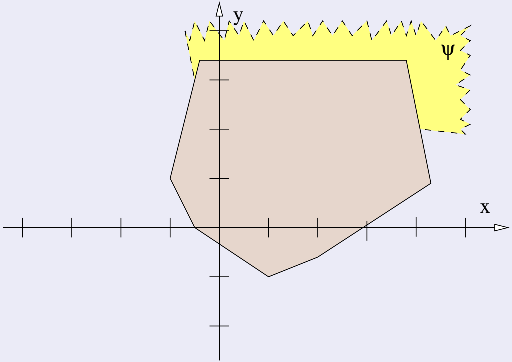

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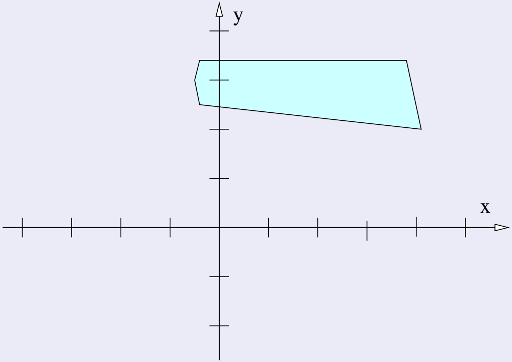

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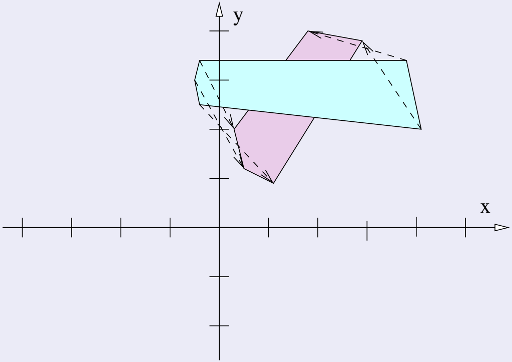

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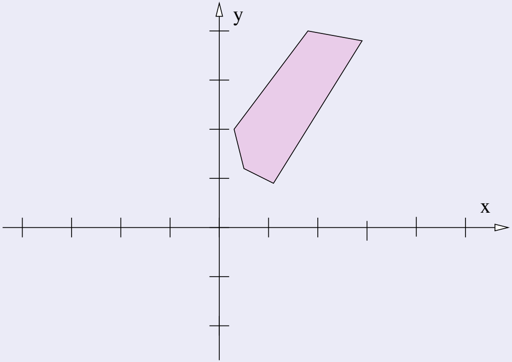

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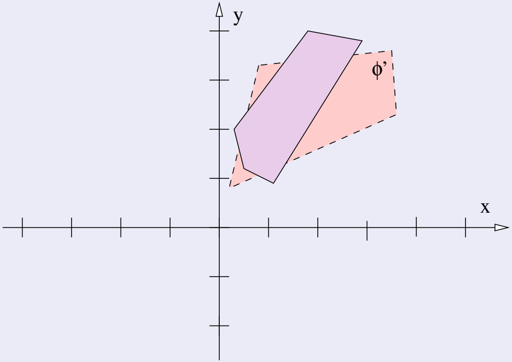

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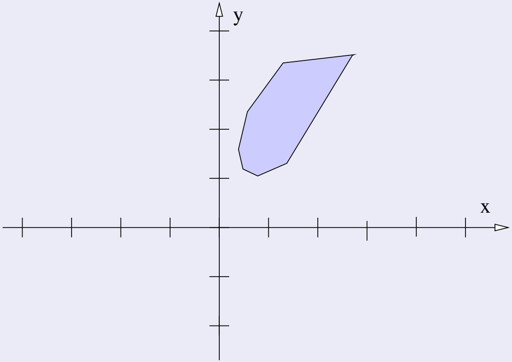

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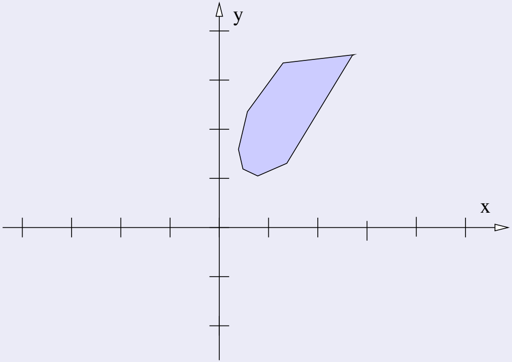

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Symbolic Reachability Analysis

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        if $((\varphi \wedge \phi) \neq \bot$ for some $\langle l, \phi \rangle \in F)$ **then**
            return True
        end if
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        end if
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$\Longrightarrow$ same schema as with zone automata

Summary: Linear Hybrid Automata

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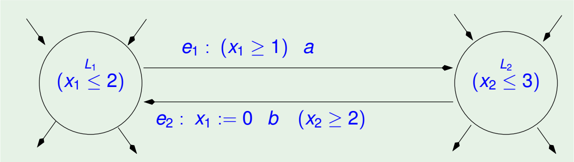

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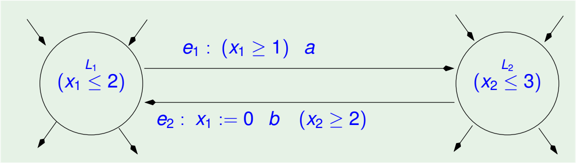

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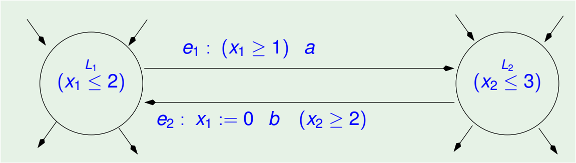

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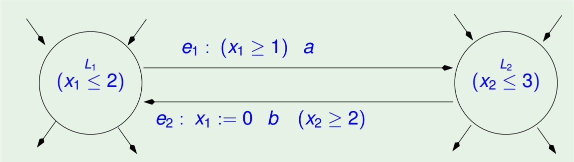

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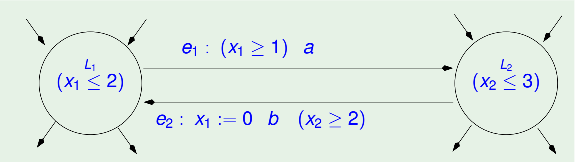

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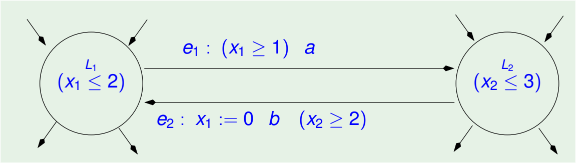

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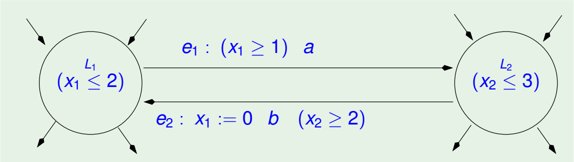

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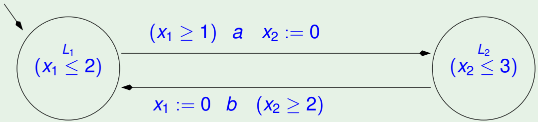

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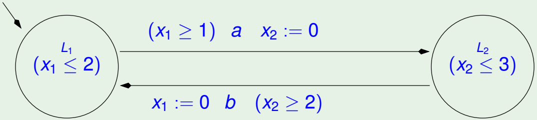

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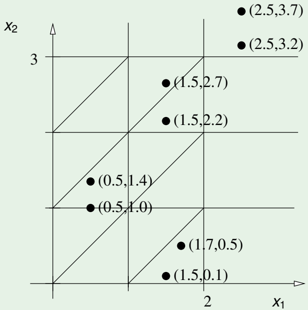

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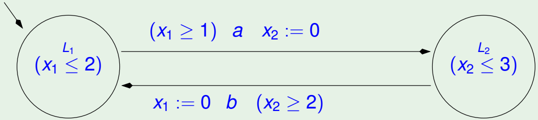

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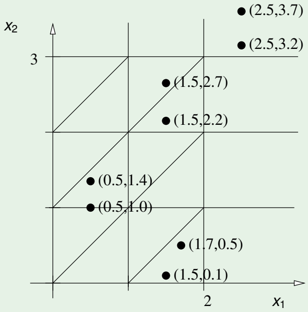

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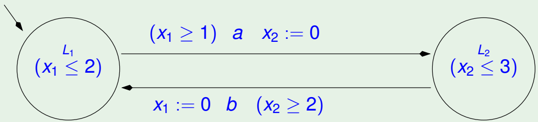

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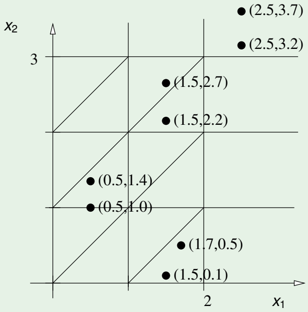

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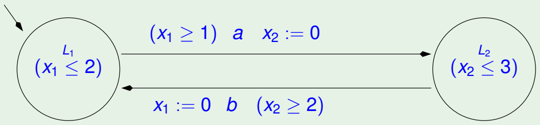

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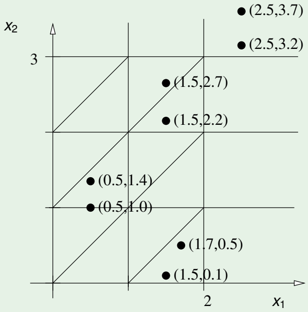

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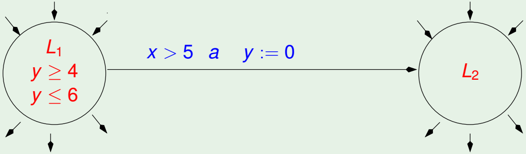

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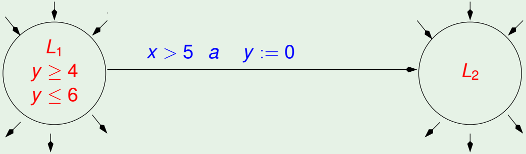

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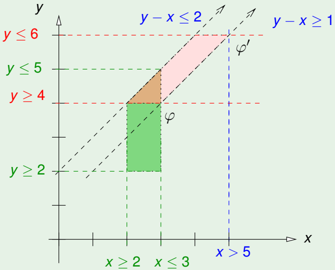

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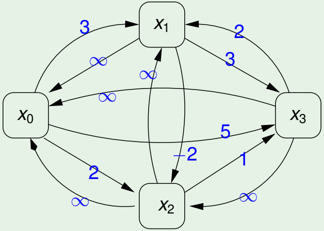

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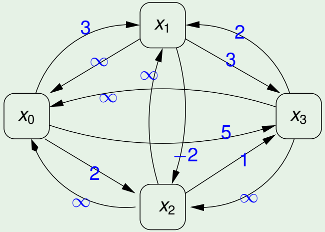

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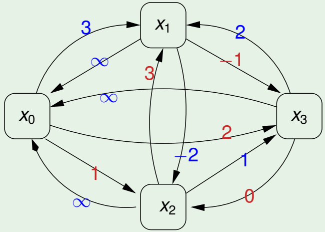

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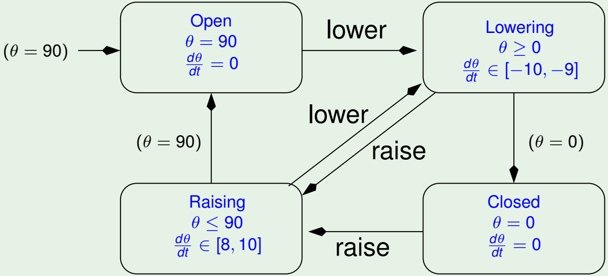
Hybrid Automata

A railway-crossing gate, whose dynamics is represented by the hybrid automaton in the figure, receives from a controller two possible input signals {lower,raise}. (θ, in degrees, represents the angle between the bar and the ground.)
When the gate is open the controller receives a signal "incoming" when a train is incoming, it waits a fixed amount of time Δt, then it sends the gate the lower order.
It is known that an incoming train takes an amount of time within the interval [70,100] time units to get from the remote sensor to the gate.
Compute the *maximum* amount of time Δt which guarantees that the train does not reach the gate before the bar is completely lowered, and briefly explain why.



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[Solution: Δt is 60 time units. In fact, the maximum value of Δt the controller can afford waiting is given by the minimum time the train may take to reach the gate (70), minus the maximum time taken by the bar to lower, that is, the time taken to lower the angle from 90 to 0 at the lowest absolute speed (90/|-9|). Overall, we have thus $\Delta t = 70 - 90/(|-9|) = 60$.]