

Topics in Timed Automata

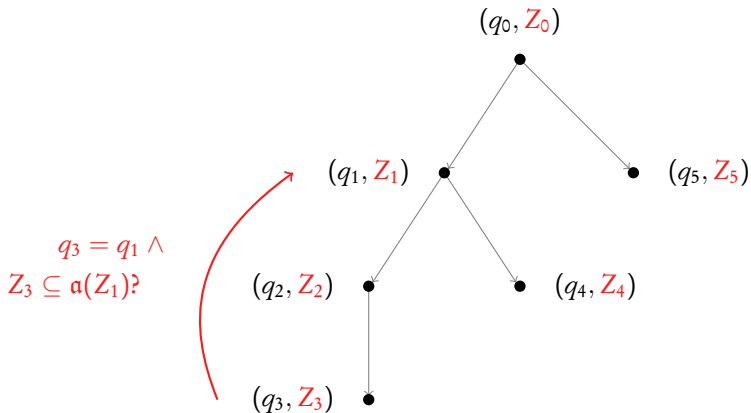
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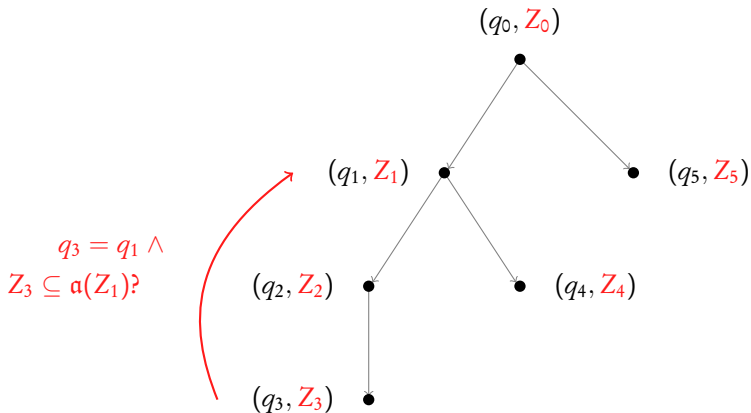
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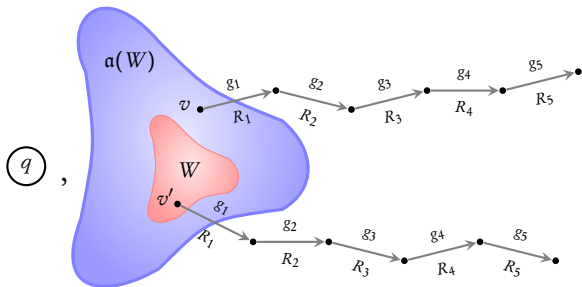
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Coarser the abstraction, smaller the zone graph

Condition 1: α should have **finite range**

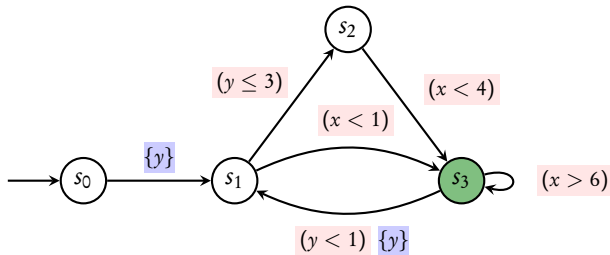
Condition 2: α should be sound $\Rightarrow \alpha(W)$ can contain only valuations **simulated** by W



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M-bounds [AD94]

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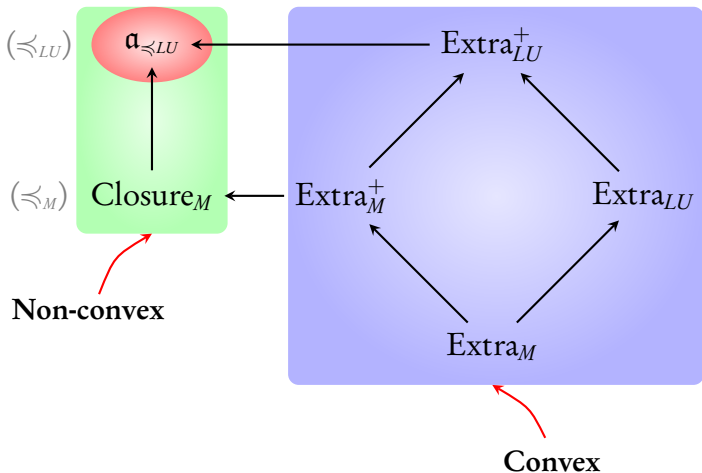
LU-bounds [BBLP04]

$$L(x) = 6, L(y) = -\infty$$

$$U(x) = 4, U(y) = 3$$

$$v \preceq_{LU} v'$$

Abstractions in literature [BBLP04, Bou04]



Last lecture: Efficiently using the M -bounds based Closure_M abstraction

Lecture 7:

Lower-upper bounds for abstraction

LU-guards: guards consistent with given L and U

LU-guards for $L(x) = 3, U(x) = 5, L(y) = 8, U(y) = -\infty$

$$x \geq 0, x \geq 1, x \geq 2, x \geq 3$$

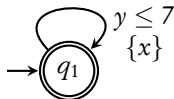
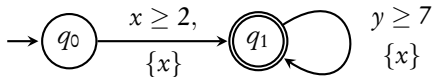
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(same with $<$ and $>$)

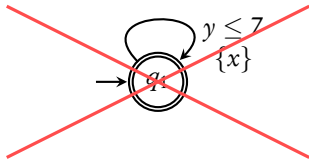
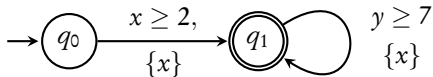
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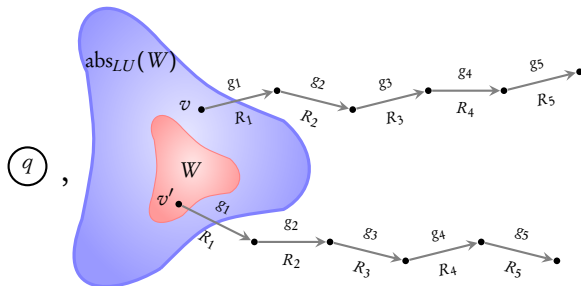
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What do we need?

1. An abstraction abs_{LU} that is **sound** and **complete** for all LU-automata

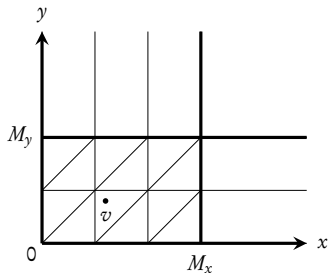


2. Efficient inclusion testing $Z \subseteq \text{abs}_{LU}(Z')$

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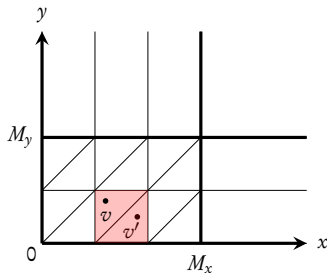
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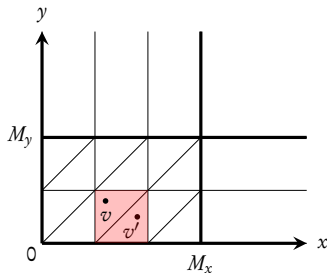
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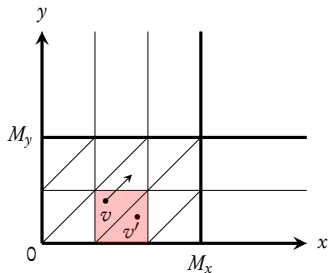
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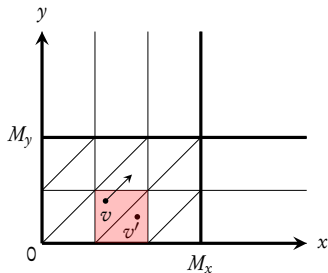
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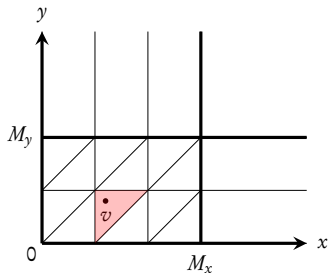
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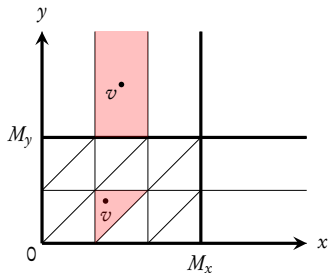
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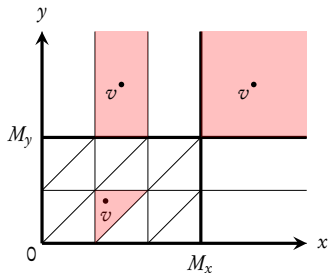
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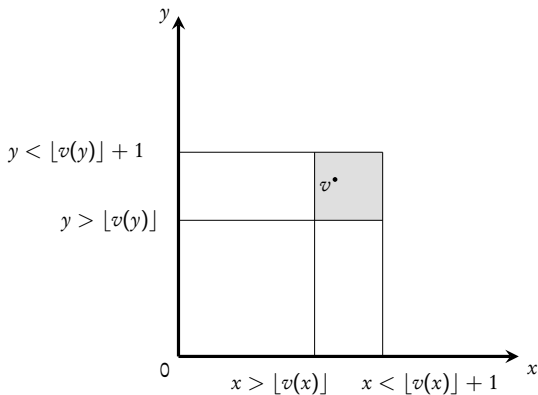
$\lfloor v(x) \rfloor$: integer part of $v(x)$

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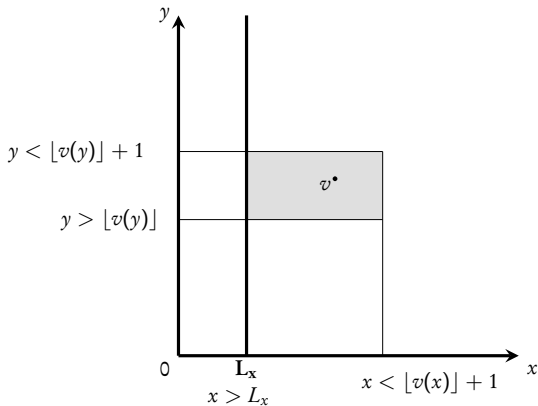
Coming next...

Regions for the LU-case

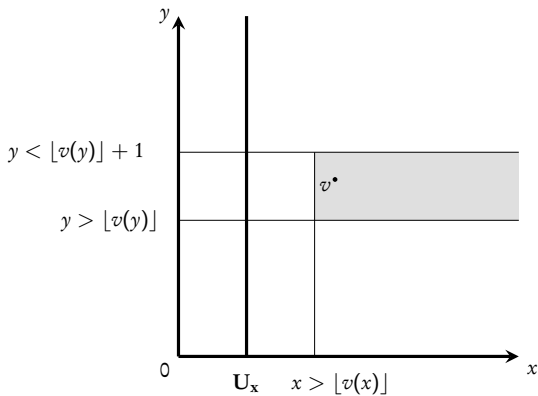
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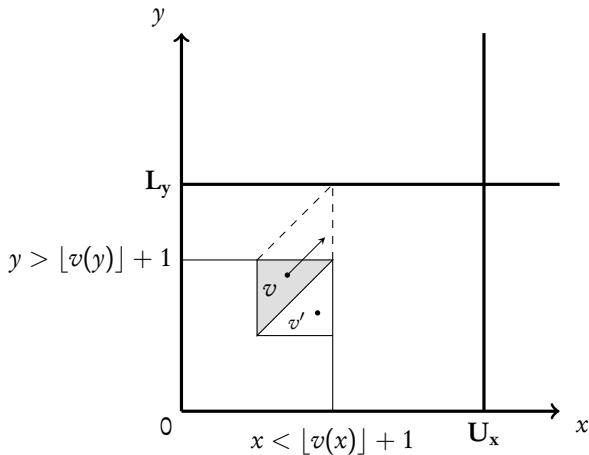
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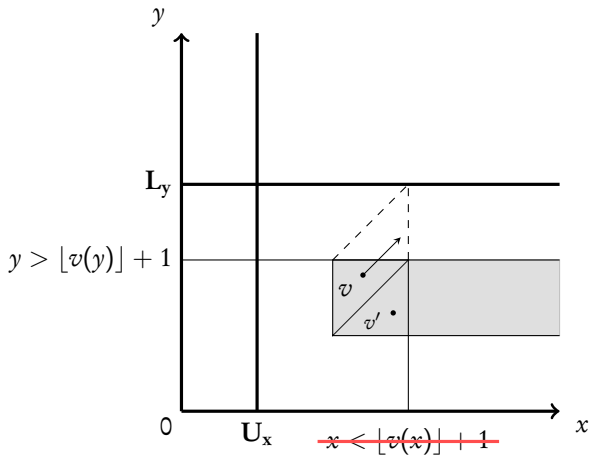
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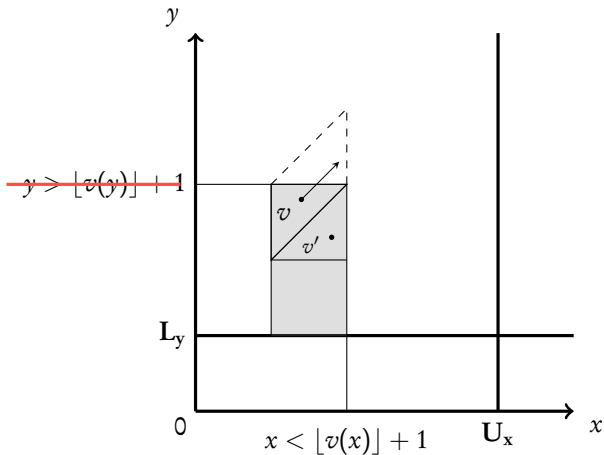
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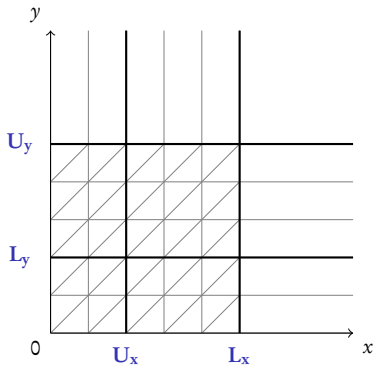
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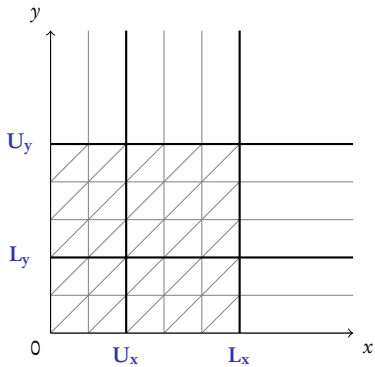
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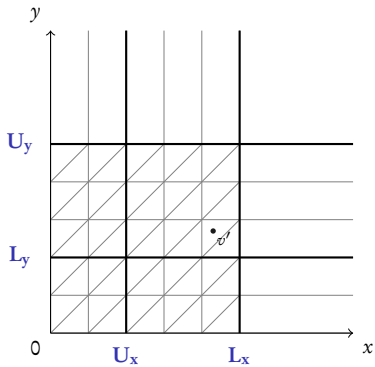
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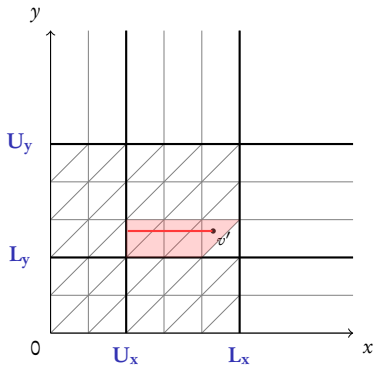
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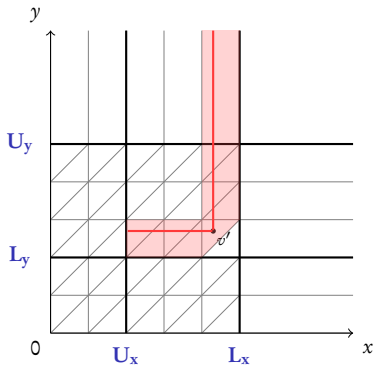
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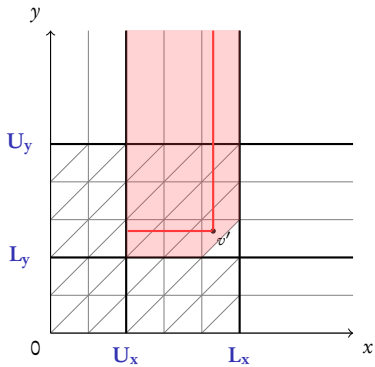
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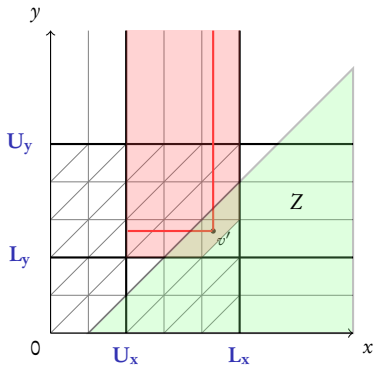
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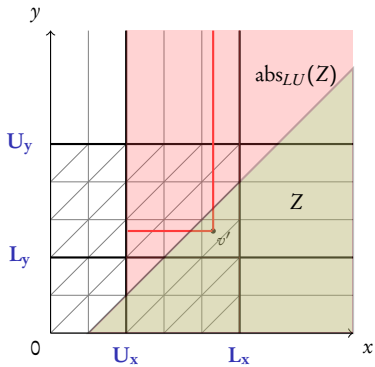
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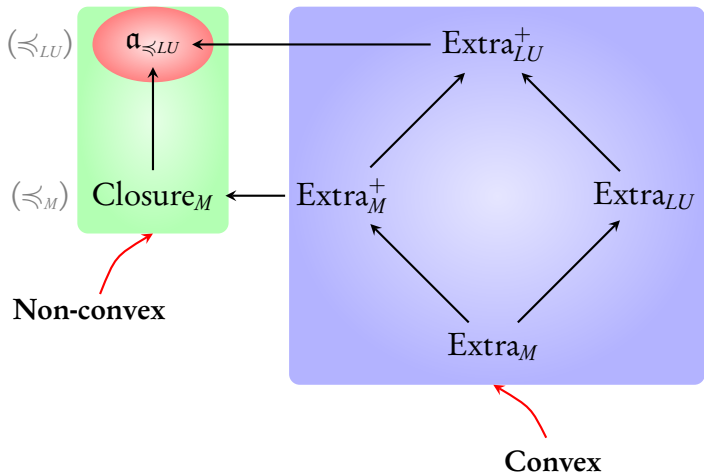


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Z, Z' : time-elapsed zones

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 $\langle v \rangle^{LU}$ **does not intersect** Z'

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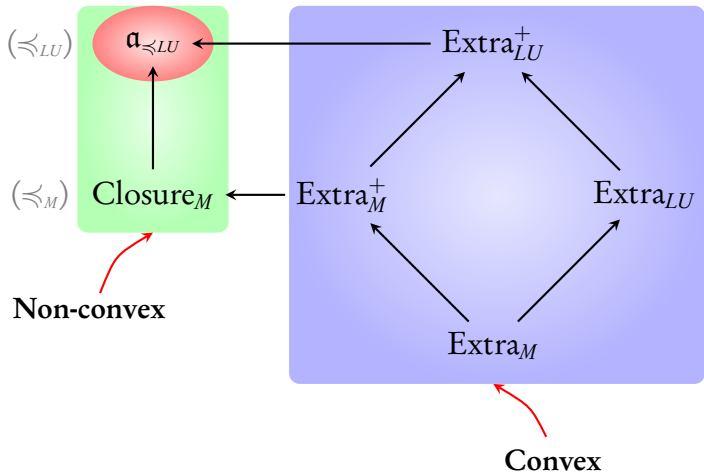
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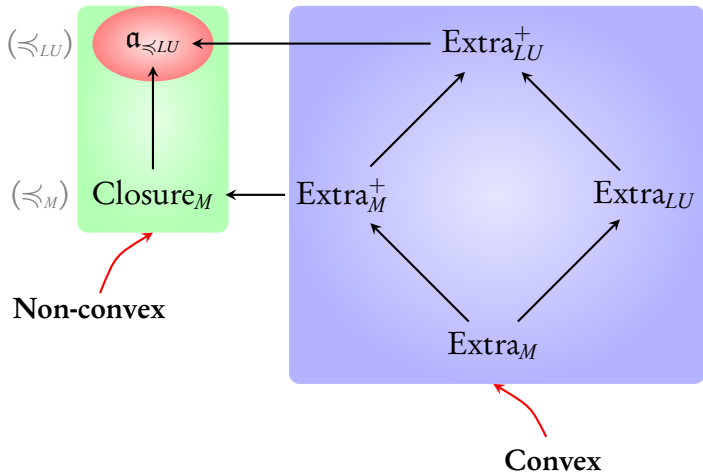
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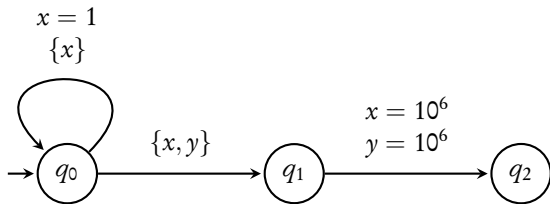




Question: If $\mathbf{a}_{\preccurlyeq LU}$ is best, can we do better?

Get better **LU**-bounds!

Global LU-bounds

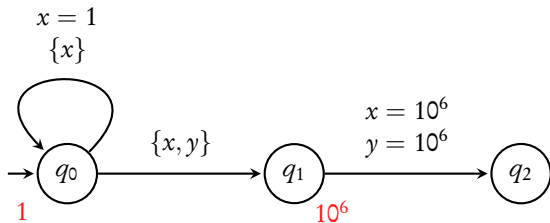


Naive: $L_x = U_x = 10^6, L_y = U_y = 10^6$

Size of graph $\sim 10^6$

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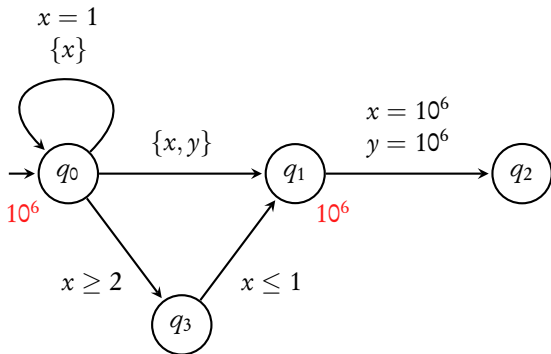
[BBFL03]



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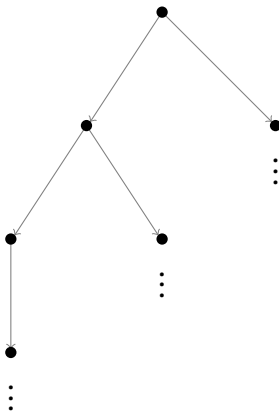
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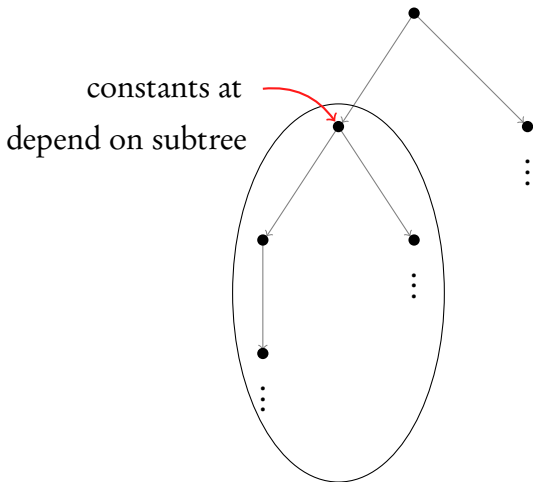
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Need to look at **semantics...**

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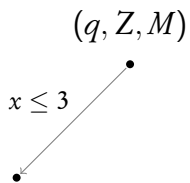


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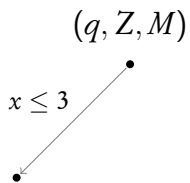
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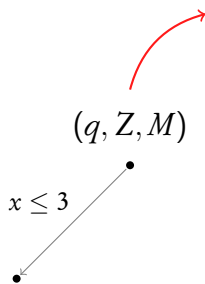
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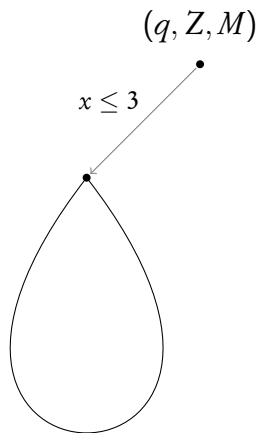
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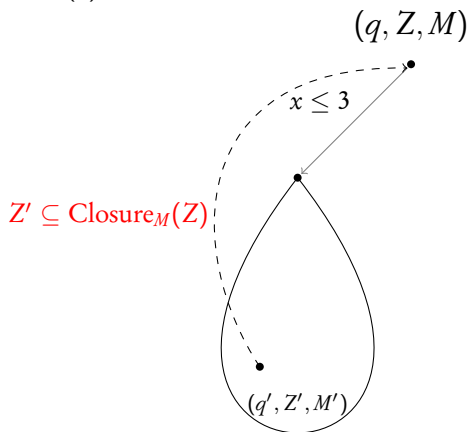
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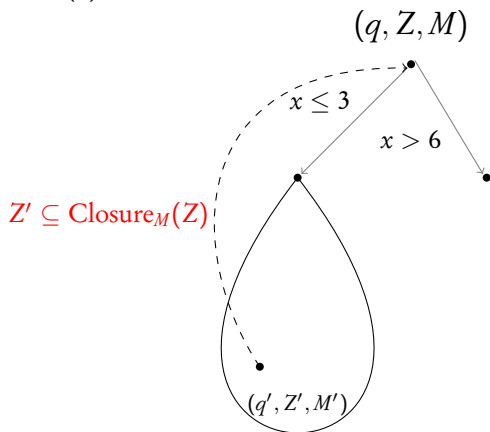
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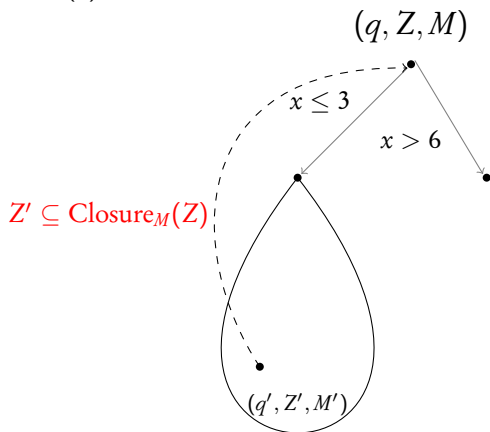
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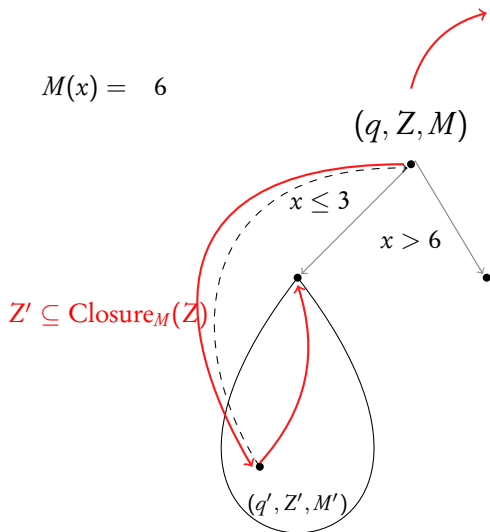
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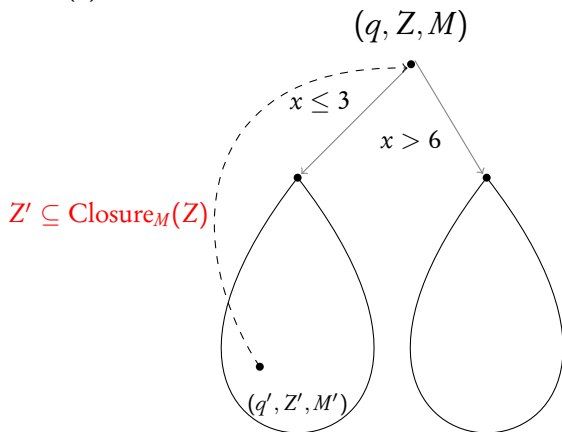
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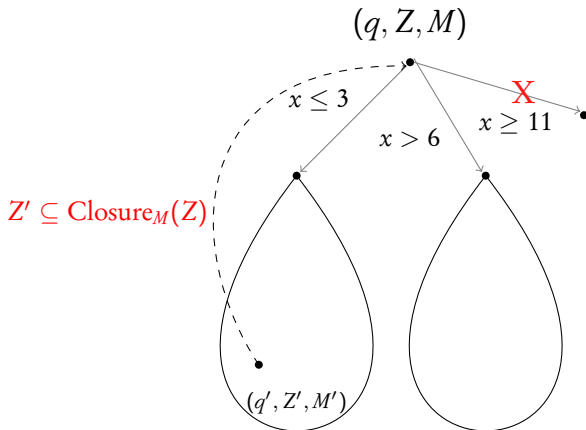
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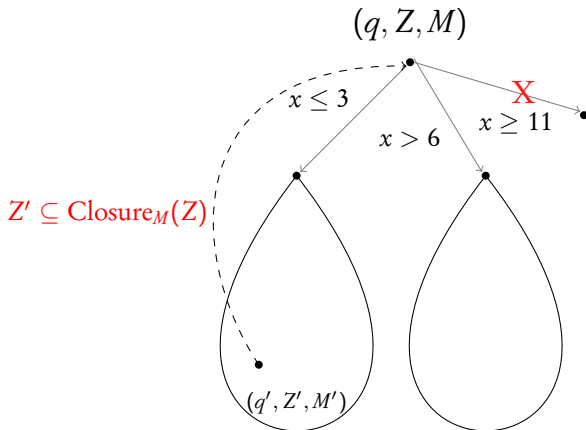
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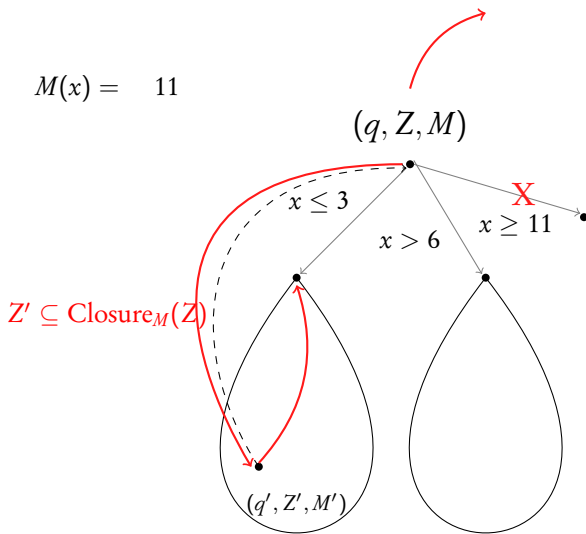
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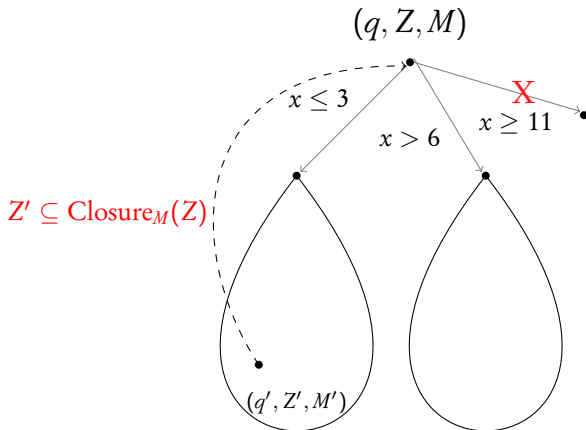
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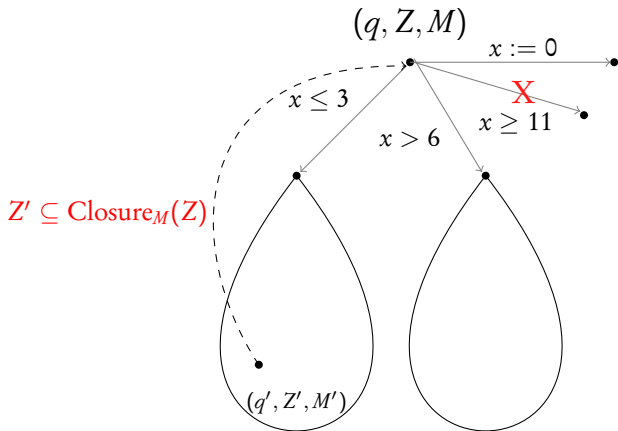
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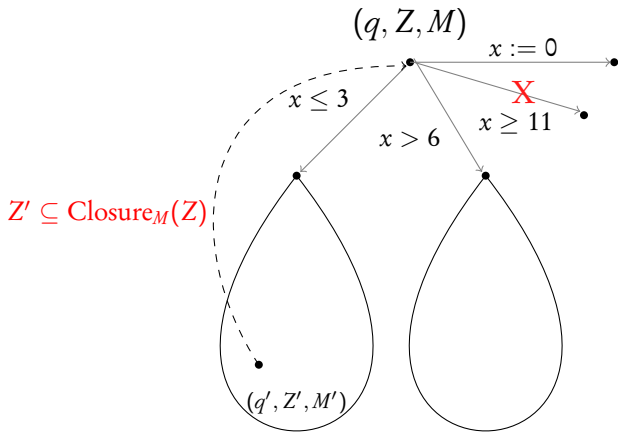
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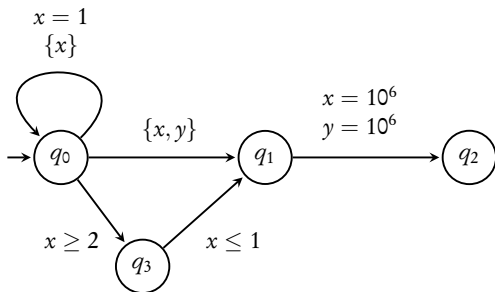
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All tentative nodes consistent
+ No more exploration

→ Terminate!



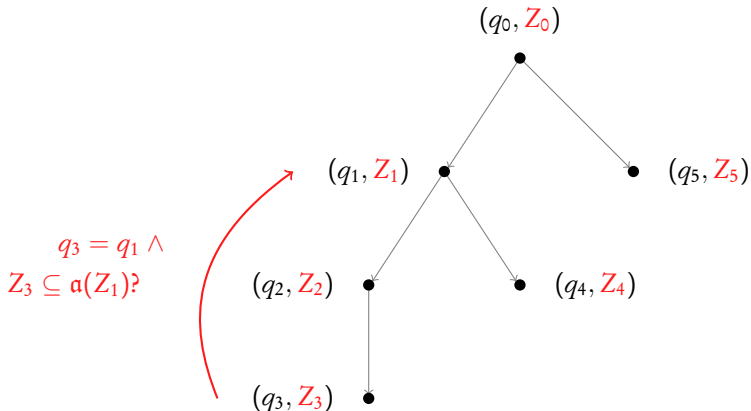
Constant propagation



Theorem (Correctness)

An accepting state is reachable in \mathcal{A} iff the constant propagation algorithm reaches a node with accepting state and a non-empty zone.

Key idea: Compute the **zone graph**, use **abstraction** for termination



Developments are recent, a lot of (not-so-low) hanging fruit available

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