

# Non-Relational Numerical Abstract Domains

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# Concrete semantics

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# Syntax of a toy-language

## Simple numeric programs:

- fixed, **finite** set of variables  $\mathbb{V}$
- with value in some **numeric set**  $\mathbb{I} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}\}$
- programs as **control flow graphs** (CFG):  $(\mathcal{L}, e, x, A)$   
with nodes  $\mathcal{L}$ , entry  $e \in \mathcal{L}$ , exit  $x \in \mathcal{L}$ , and arcs  $A \subseteq \mathcal{L} \times \text{com} \times \mathcal{L}$

## Atomic commands:

<b>com</b>	$::=$	$V \leftarrow \text{exp}$	assignment into $V \in \mathbb{V}$
	$ $	$\text{exp} \bowtie 0$	numeric test, $\bowtie \in \{=, <, >, \leq, \geq, \neq\}$

## Arithmetic expressions:

<b>exp</b>	$::=$	$V$	variable $V \in \mathbb{V}$
	$ $	$-\text{exp}$	negation
	$ $	$\text{exp} \diamond \text{exp}$	binary operation: $\diamond \in \{+, -, \times, /\}$
	$ $	$[c, c']$	constant range, $c, c' \in \mathbb{I} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$
	$ $	$c$	constant, shorthand for $[c, c]$

# Expression semantics (reminder)

Expression semantics:  $E[\![e]\!]: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{I})$

where  $\mathcal{E} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{I}$ .

The evaluation of  $e$  in  $\rho \in \mathcal{E}$  gives a **set** of values:

$E[\![c, c']]\rho$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\{x \in \mathbb{I} \mid c \leq x \leq c'\}$
$E[\![V]\!]\rho$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\{\rho(V)\}$
$E[\![-e]\!]\rho$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\{-v \mid v \in E[\![e]\!]\rho\}$
$E[\![e_1 + e_2]\!]\rho$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\{v_1 + v_2 \mid v_1 \in E[\![e_1]\!]\rho, v_2 \in E[\![e_2]\!]\rho\}$
$E[\![e_1 - e_2]\!]\rho$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\{v_1 - v_2 \mid v_1 \in E[\![e_1]\!]\rho, v_2 \in E[\![e_2]\!]\rho\}$
$E[\![e_1 \times e_2]\!]\rho$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\{v_1 \times v_2 \mid v_1 \in E[\![e_1]\!]\rho, v_2 \in E[\![e_2]\!]\rho\}$
$E[\![e_1 / e_2]\!]\rho$	$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	$\{v_1/v_2 \mid v_1 \in E[\![e_1]\!]\rho, v_2 \in E[\![e_2]\!]\rho, v_2 \neq 0\}$

# Forward semantics: state reachability

Transfer functions:  $C[\![ \text{com} ]\!]: \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$

- $C[\![ V \leftarrow e ]\!] \mathcal{X} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ \rho[\ V \mapsto v ] \mid \rho \in \mathcal{X}, v \in E[\![ e ]\!] \rho \}$
- $C[\![ e \bowtie 0 ]\!] \mathcal{X} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ \rho \mid \rho \in \mathcal{X}, \exists v \in E[\![ e ]\!] \rho: v \bowtie 0 \}$

Fixpoint semantics:  $(\mathcal{X}_\ell)_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} : \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{X}_e = \mathcal{E} & \text{(entry)} \\ \mathcal{X}_\ell = \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C[\![ c ]\!] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'} & \text{if } \ell \neq e \end{cases}$$

Tarski's Theorem: this smallest solution exists and is unique.

$\mathcal{D} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}), \subseteq, \cup, \cap, \emptyset, \mathcal{E})$  is a complete lattice,  
 each  $M_\ell : \mathcal{X}_\ell \mapsto \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C[\![ c ]\!] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}$  is monotonic in  $\mathcal{D}$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  the solution is the least fixpoint of  $(M_\ell)_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$ .

# Resolution

Resolution by increasing iterations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{X}_e^0 & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{E} \\ \mathcal{X}_{\ell \neq e}^0 & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \emptyset \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{X}_e^{n+1} & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{E} \\ \mathcal{X}_{\ell \neq e}^{n+1} & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C[\![c]\!] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^n \end{array} \right.$$

Kleene theorem:

Iteration converges in  $\omega$  iterations to a least solution,  
because each  $C[\![c]\!]$  is continuous in the CPO  $\mathcal{D}$ .

# Backward refinement: state co-reachability

Semantics of commands:  $\overleftarrow{C}[\![c]\!]: \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$

- $\overleftarrow{C}[\![V \leftarrow e]\!] \mathcal{X} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ \rho \mid \exists v \in E[\![e]\!] \rho : \rho[V \mapsto v] \in \mathcal{X} \}$
- $\overleftarrow{C}[\![e \bowtie 0]\!] \mathcal{X} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} C[\![e \bowtie 0]\!] \mathcal{X}$

(necessary conditions on  $\rho$  to have a successor in  $\mathcal{X}$  by  $c$ )

Refinement: given:

- a solution  $(\mathcal{X}_\ell)_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$  of the forward system
- an output criterion  $\mathcal{Y}$  at exit node  $x$

compute a least fixpoint by **decreasing iterations** [Bour93b]

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{Y}_x^0 & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_x \cap \mathcal{Y} \\ \mathcal{Y}_{\ell \neq x}^0 & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_\ell \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{Y}_x^{n+1} & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_x \cap \mathcal{Y} \\ \mathcal{Y}_{\ell \neq x}^{n+1} & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_\ell \cap \left( \bigcup_{(\ell, c, \ell') \in A} \overleftarrow{C}[\![c]\!] \mathcal{Y}_{\ell'}^n \right) \end{cases}$$

# Limit to automation

We wish to perform **automatic** numerical invariant discovery.

## Theoretical problems

- the elements of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{I})$  are **not computer representable**
- the transfer functions  $C[\![c]\!]$ ,  $\overleftarrow{C}[\![c]\!]$  are **not computable**
- the lattice iterations in  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$  are **transfinite**

**Finding the best invariant is an **undecidable** problem**

## Note:

Even when  $\mathbb{I}$  is finite, a concrete analysis is **not tractable**:

- representing elements in  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{I})$  in extension is expensive
- computing  $C[\![c]\!]$ ,  $\overleftarrow{C}[\![c]\!]$  explicitly is expensive
- the lattice  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{I})$  has a large height ( $\Rightarrow$  many iterations)

# Abstractions

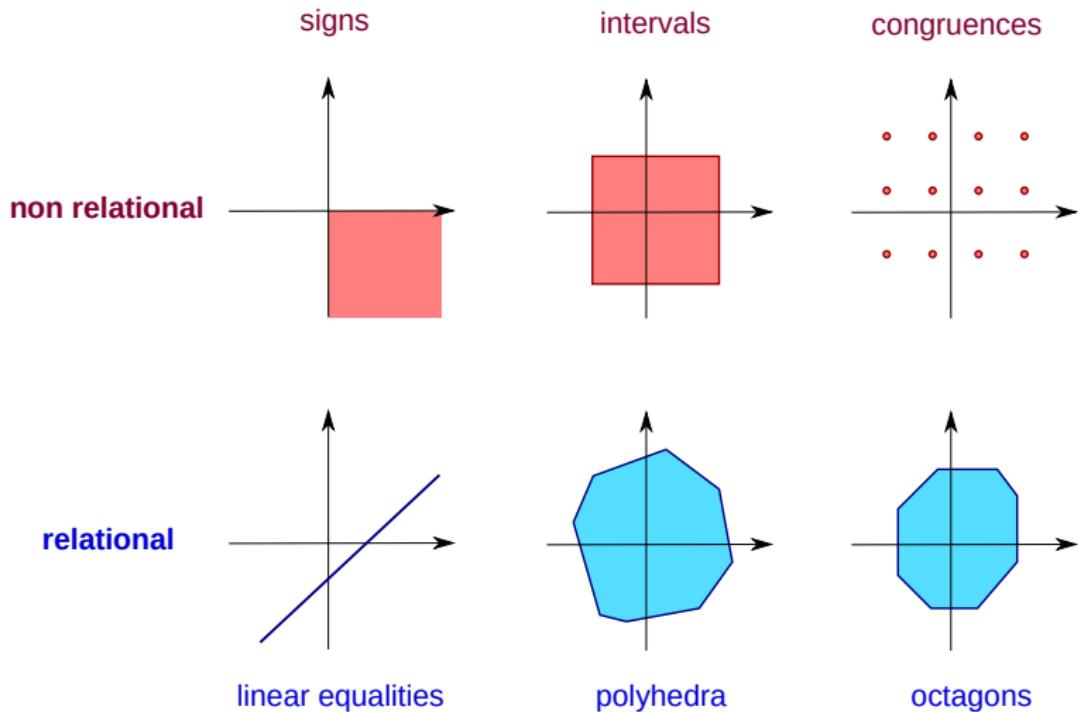
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# Numerical abstract domains

A **numerical abstract domain** is given by:

- a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$   
(a set of environment sets)  
together with a machine encoding,
- effective and sound abstract operators,
- an iteration strategy  
ensuring convergence in finite time.

# Numerical abstract domain examples



# Numerical abstract domains (cont.)

**Representation:** given by

- a set  $\mathcal{D}^\sharp$  of machine-representable **abstract environments**,
- a **partial order**  $(\mathcal{D}^\sharp, \sqsubseteq, \perp^\sharp, \top^\sharp)$   
relating the amount of information given by abstract elements,
- a **concretization** function  $\gamma: \mathcal{D}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$   
giving a concrete meaning to each abstract element,
- an abstraction function  $\alpha$  forming a Galois connection  $(\alpha, \gamma)$  is optional.

**Required algebraic properties:**

- $\gamma$  should be **monotonic**:  $\mathcal{X}^\sharp \sqsubseteq \mathcal{Y}^\sharp \implies \gamma(\mathcal{X}^\sharp) \subseteq \gamma(\mathcal{Y}^\sharp)$ ,
- $\gamma(\perp^\sharp) = \emptyset$ ,
- $\gamma(\top^\sharp) = \mathcal{E}$ .

Note:  $\gamma$  need not be one-to-one.

# Numerical abstract domains (cont.)

Abstract operators: we require:

- sound, effective, abstract **transfer functions**  $C^\sharp[c]$ ,  $\overleftarrow{C}^\sharp[c]$  for all commands  $c$  ( $V \leftarrow e$ ,  $e \bowtie 0$ ),
- sound, effective, abstract **set operators**  $U^\sharp$ ,  $\cap^\sharp$ ,
- an algorithm to decide the **ordering**  $\sqsubseteq$ .

Soundness criterion:

$F^\sharp$  is a **sound** abstraction of a  $n$ -ary operator  $F$  if:

$$\forall \mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n^\sharp \in \mathcal{D}^\sharp: F(\gamma(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp), \dots, \gamma(\mathcal{X}_n^\sharp)) \subseteq \gamma(F^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n^\sharp))$$

$$F^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n^\sharp) = \alpha(F(\gamma(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp), \dots, \gamma(\mathcal{X}_n^\sharp))) \text{ is optional.}$$

Both **semantic** and **algorithmic** aspects.

# Abstract semantics

## Abstract semantic inequation system

$$\mathcal{X}^\# : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^\#$$

$$\mathcal{X}_\ell^\# \triangleq \begin{cases} T^\# & \text{if } \ell = e \\ \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C^\#[\![c]\!] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^\# & \text{if } \ell \neq e \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{(entry)} \\ \text{(abstract transfer function)} \end{matrix}$$

for soundness, a **post-fixpoint**  $\sqsupseteq$  is sufficient; a fixpoint = could be too restrictive

## Soundness Theorem

Any solution  $(\mathcal{X}_\ell^\#)_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$  is a **sound over-approximation** of the concrete collecting semantics:

$$\forall \ell \in \mathcal{L}: \gamma(\mathcal{X}_\ell^\#) \supseteq \mathcal{X}_\ell$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \text{where } \mathcal{X}_\ell \text{ is the smallest solution of} \\ \text{entry} \\ \mathcal{X}_\ell = \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C[\![c]\!] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'} \quad \text{if } \ell \neq e \end{array} \right.$$

# A first abstract analysis

Resolution by iteration in  $\mathcal{D}^\sharp$ :

$$\mathcal{X}_e^{\sharp 0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} T^\sharp$$

$$\mathcal{X}_{\ell \neq e}^{\sharp 0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \perp^\sharp$$

$$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp n+1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} T^\sharp & \text{if } \ell = e \\ \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C^\sharp[\![c]\!] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\sharp n} & \text{if } \ell \neq e \end{cases}$$

Iteration until stabilisation:  $\forall \ell \in \mathcal{L}: \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp \delta+1} \sqsubseteq \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp \delta}$

Soundness:  $\forall \ell \in \mathcal{L}: \mathcal{X}_\ell \subseteq \gamma(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp \delta})$

Termination: for monotonic operators on finite height lattices.

Quite restrictive !

Some improvements we will see later:

- **widening operators**  $\nabla$  to ensure termination in all cases
- **decreasing iterations** to improve precision

Also, other iteration schemes (worklist, chaotic iterations, see [Bour93a])

# Backward abstract analysis

## Backward refinement:

Given a forward analysis result  $(\mathcal{X}_\ell^\#)_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$  and an abstract output  $\mathcal{Y}^\#$  at  $x$ , we compute  $(\mathcal{Y}_\ell^\#)_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$ :

$$\mathcal{Y}_x^{\#0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_x^\# \cap^\# \mathcal{Y}^\#$$

$$\mathcal{Y}_{\ell \neq x}^{\#0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_\ell^\#$$

$$\mathcal{Y}_\ell^{\#n+1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \mathcal{X}_x^\# \cap^\# \mathcal{Y}^\# & \text{if } \ell = x \\ \mathcal{X}_\ell^\# \cap^\# \bigcup_{(\ell, c, \ell') \in A} \overleftarrow{C}^\# \llbracket c \rrbracket \mathcal{Y}_{\ell'}^{\#n} & \text{if } \ell \neq x \end{cases}$$

Forward–backward analyses can be iterated [Bour93b].

# Non-relational domains

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# Value abstract domains

Idea: start from an **abstraction  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  of values  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{I})$**  (representing a single variable)

Numerical value abstract domain:

$\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  abstract values, machine-representable

$\gamma_b: \mathcal{B}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{I})$  concretization

$\sqsubseteq_b$  partial order

$\perp_b^\sharp, \top_b^\sharp$  represent  $\emptyset$  and  $\mathbb{I}$

$\cup_b^\sharp, \cap_b^\sharp$  abstractions of  $\cup$  and  $\cap$

$\nabla_b$  extrapolation operator (introduced later, with intervals)

$\alpha_b: \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{I}) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\sharp$  abstraction (optional)

# Abstract arithmetic operators

Require **sound** abstract versions in  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  of arithmetic operators  $+, -, \times, /$ .

Soundness conditions:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \{x \mid c \leq x \leq c'\} & \subseteq & \gamma_b([c, c']_b^\sharp) \\ \{-x \mid x \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp)\} & \subseteq & \gamma_b(-_b^\sharp \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) \\ \{x+y \mid x \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp), y \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp)\} & \subseteq & \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp +_b^\sharp \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp) \\ & \vdots & \end{array}$$

Using a Galois connection  $(\alpha_b, \gamma_b)$ :

We can define **best** abstract arithmetic operators:

$$\begin{array}{lll} [c, c']_b^\sharp & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & \alpha_b(\{x \mid c \leq x \leq c'\}) \\ -_b^\sharp \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & \alpha_b(\{-x \mid x \in \gamma(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp)\}) \\ \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp +_b^\sharp \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & \alpha_b(\{x+y \mid x \in \gamma(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp), y \in \gamma(\mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp)\}) \\ & \vdots & \end{array}$$

# Derived abstract domain

Idea: associate an abstract value to each variable

$$\mathcal{D}^\sharp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathbb{V} \rightarrow (\mathcal{B}^\sharp \setminus \{\perp_b^\sharp\})) \cup \{\perp^\sharp\}$$

- point-wise extension:  $\mathcal{X}^\sharp \in \mathcal{D}^\sharp$  is a vector of elements in  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$   
(e.g. using arrays of size  $|\mathbb{V}|$ , or functional maps)
- smashed  $\perp^\sharp$  (avoids redundant representations of  $\emptyset$ )

Definitions on  $\mathcal{D}^\sharp$  derived from  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$ :

$$\gamma(\mathcal{X}^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\sharp = \perp^\sharp \\ \{\rho \mid \forall V : \rho(V) \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}^\sharp(V))\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha(\mathcal{X}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp^\sharp & \text{if } \mathcal{X} = \emptyset \\ \lambda V. \alpha_b(\{\rho(V) \mid \rho \in \mathcal{X}\}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\top^\sharp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda V. \top_b^\sharp$$

# Derived abstract domain (cont.)

$$\mathcal{X}^\# \sqsubseteq \mathcal{Y}^\# \iff \mathcal{X}^\# = \perp^\# \vee (\mathcal{X}^\#, \mathcal{Y}^\# \neq \perp^\# \wedge \forall V: \mathcal{X}^\#(V) \sqsubseteq_b \mathcal{Y}^\#(V))$$

$$\mathcal{X}^\# \sqcup^\# \mathcal{Y}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \mathcal{Y}^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\# = \perp^\# \\ \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{Y}^\# = \perp^\# \\ \lambda V. \mathcal{X}^\#(V) \sqcup_b^\# \mathcal{Y}^\#(V) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{X}^\# \sqcap^\# \mathcal{Y}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\# = \perp^\# \text{ or } \mathcal{Y}^\# = \perp^\# \\ \perp^\# & \text{if } \exists V: \mathcal{X}^\#(V) \sqcap_b^\# \mathcal{Y}^\#(V) = \perp_b^\# \\ \lambda V. \mathcal{X}^\#(V) \sqcap_b^\# \mathcal{Y}^\#(V) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We will see later how to derive  $\mathbf{C}^\#[\![c]\!]$ ,  $\overleftarrow{\mathbf{C}}^\#[\![c]\!]$   
from abstract arithmetic operators  $+_b^\#$ , ...

# On the loss of precision: Cartesian abstraction

Non-relational domains “forget” all relationships between variables.

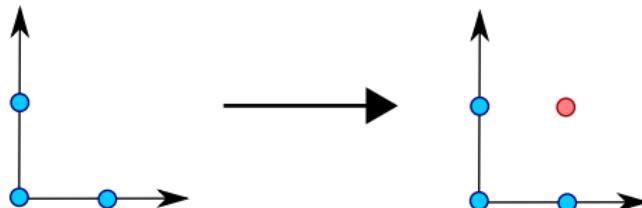
## Cartesian abstraction:

Upper closure operator  $\rho_c : \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E})$

$$\rho_c(\mathcal{X}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ \rho \in \mathcal{E} \mid \forall V \in \mathbb{V} : \exists \rho' \in \mathcal{X} : \rho(V) = \rho'(V) \}$$

A domain is non-relational if  $\rho \circ \gamma = \gamma$ ,  
i.e. it cannot distinguish between  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{X}'$  if  $\rho_c(\mathcal{X}) = \rho_c(\mathcal{X}')$ .

Example:  $\rho_c(\{(X, Y) \mid X \in \{0, 2\}, Y \in \{0, 2\}, X + Y \leq 2\}) = \{0, 2\} \times \{0, 2\}$ .

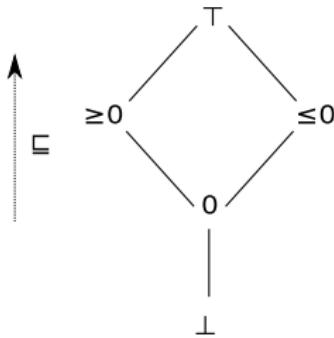


# The sign domains

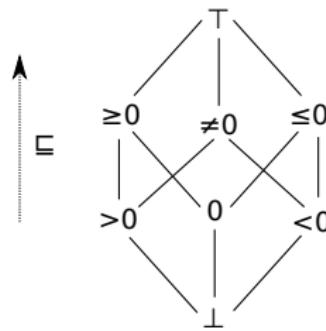
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# The sign lattices

**Hasse diagram:** for the lattice  $(\mathcal{B}^\sharp, \sqsubseteq_b, \perp_b^\sharp, \top_b^\sharp)$



simple signs



extended signs

The extended sign domain is a refinement of the simple sign domain.

The diagram implicitly defines  $U_b^\sharp$  and  $N_b^\sharp$  as the least upper bound and greatest lower bound for  $\sqsubseteq_b$ .

# Abstract operators for simple signs

Abstraction  $\alpha$ : there is a **Galois connection** between  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  and  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{I})$ :

$$\alpha_b(S) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp_b^\sharp & \text{if } S = \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{if } S = \{0\} \\ \geq 0 & \text{else if } \forall s \in S : s \geq 0 \\ \leq 0 & \text{else if } \forall s \in S : s \leq 0 \\ \top_b^\sharp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Derived abstract arithmetic operators:

$$\begin{aligned} c_b^\sharp &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \alpha_b(\{c\}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } c = 0 \\ \leq 0 & \text{if } c < 0 \\ \geq 0 & \text{if } c > 0 \end{cases} \\ X^\sharp +^\sharp Y^\sharp &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \alpha_b(\{x + y \mid x \in \gamma_b(X^\sharp), y \in \gamma_b(Y^\sharp)\}) \\ &= \begin{cases} \perp_b^\sharp & \text{if } X \text{ or } Y^\sharp = \perp_b^\sharp \\ 0 & \text{if } X^\sharp = Y^\sharp = 0 \\ \leq 0 & \text{else if } X^\sharp \text{ and } Y^\sharp \in \{0, \leq 0\} \\ \geq 0 & \text{else if } X^\sharp \text{ and } Y^\sharp \in \{0, \geq 0\} \\ \top_b^\sharp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

# Generic non-relational abstract assignments

We can then define **for all non-relational domains**:

- an abstract semantics of expressions:  $E^\# \llbracket e \rrbracket : \mathcal{D}^\# \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\#$

$$E^\# \llbracket e \rrbracket \perp^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \perp_b^\#$$

if  $\mathcal{X}^\# \neq \perp^\#$ :

$$E^\# \llbracket [c, c'] \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [c, c']_b^\#$$

$$E^\# \llbracket V \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}^\#(V)$$

$$E^\# \llbracket -e \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -_b^\# E^\# \llbracket e \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\#$$

$$E^\# \llbracket e_1 + e_2 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E^\# \llbracket e_1 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# +_b^\# E^\# \llbracket e_2 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\#$$

⋮

- an abstract assignment:

$$C^\# \llbracket V \leftarrow e \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{V}_b^\# = \perp_b^\# \\ \mathcal{X}^\# [V \mapsto \mathcal{V}_b^\#] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $\mathcal{V}_b^\# = E^\# \llbracket e \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\#$ .

Note: in general,  $E^\# \llbracket e \rrbracket$  is less precise than  $\alpha_b \circ E \llbracket e \rrbracket \circ \gamma$

e.g, on intervals:  $e = V - V$  and  $\gamma_b(\mathcal{X}^\#(V)) = [0, 1]$   
 then we get  $[-1, 1]$  instead of 0

# Abstract tests on simple signs

## Abstract test examples:

$$C^\# \llbracket X \leq 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left( \begin{cases} \mathcal{X}^\#[X \mapsto 0] & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\#(X) \in \{0, \geq 0\} \\ \mathcal{X}^\#[X \mapsto \leq 0] & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\#(X) \in \{T_b^\#, \leq 0\} \\ \perp^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right)$$

$$C^\# \llbracket X \leq c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left( \begin{cases} C^\# \llbracket X \leq 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{if } c \leq 0 \\ \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right)$$

$$C^\# \llbracket X \leq Y \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} C^\# \llbracket X \leq 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\#(Y) \in \{0, \leq 0\} \\ \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \cap^\# \begin{cases} C^\# \llbracket Y \geq 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\#(X) \in \{0, \geq 0\} \\ \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Other cases:  $C^\# \llbracket expr \bowtie 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}^\#$  is always a sound abstraction.

We will see later a systematic way to build tests, as we did for assignments...

# Simple sign analysis example

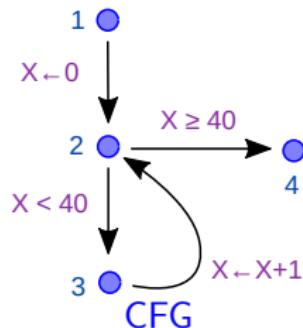
Example analysis using the simple sign domain:

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X ← 0;
while X < 40 do
    X ← X + 1
done
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Program

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{X}_2^{\sharp i+1} = C^\sharp[X \leftarrow 0] \mathcal{X}_1^{\sharp i} \cup \\ \quad C^\sharp[X \leftarrow X + 1] \mathcal{X}_3^{\sharp i} \\ \mathcal{X}_3^{\sharp i+1} = C^\sharp[X < 40] \mathcal{X}_2^{\sharp i} \\ \mathcal{X}_4^{\sharp i+1} = C^\sharp[X \geq 40] \mathcal{X}_2^{\sharp i} \end{array} \right.$$

Iteration system



$\ell$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp 0}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp 1}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp 2}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp 3}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp 4}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp 5}$
1	$T^\sharp$	$T^\sharp$	$T^\sharp$	$T^\sharp$	$T^\sharp$	$T^\sharp$
2	$\perp^\sharp$	$X = 0$	$X = 0$	$X \geq 0$	$X \geq 0$	$X \geq 0$
3	$\perp^\sharp$	$\perp^\sharp$	$X = 0$	$X = 0$	$X \geq 0$	$X \geq 0$
4	$\perp^\sharp$	$\perp^\sharp$	$X = 0$	$X = 0$	$X \geq 0$	$X \geq 0$

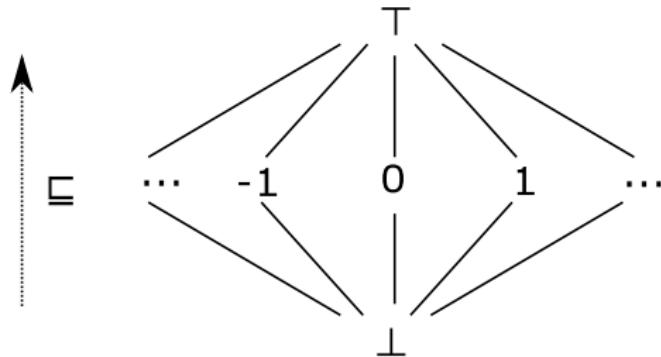
Iterations

# The constant domain

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# The constant lattice

Hasse diagram:



$$\mathcal{B}^\sharp = \mathbb{I} \cup \{\top_b^\sharp, \perp_b^\sharp\}$$

The lattice is flat but infinite.

# Operations on constants

Abstraction  $\alpha$ : there is a Galois connection:

$$\alpha_b(S) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp_b^\# & \text{if } S = \emptyset \\ c & \text{if } S = \{c\} \\ T_b^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Derived abstract arithmetic operators:

$$\begin{aligned} c_b^\# &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} c \\ (X^\#) +_b^\# (Y^\#) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp_b^\# & \text{if } X^\# \text{ or } Y^\# = \perp_b^\# \\ T_b^\# & \text{else if } X^\# \text{ or } Y^\# = T_b^\# \\ X^\# + Y^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ (X^\#) \times_b^\# (Y^\#) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp_b^\# & \text{if } X^\# \text{ or } Y^\# = \perp_b^\# \\ 0 & \text{else if } X^\# \text{ or } Y^\# = 0 \\ T_b^\# & \text{else if } X^\# \text{ or } Y^\# = T_b^\# \\ X^\# \times Y^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

# Operations on constants (cont.)

## Abstract test examples:

$$C^\# \llbracket X = c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp_b^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\#(X) \notin \{c, \top_b^\#\} \\ \mathcal{X}^\#[X \mapsto c] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C^\# \llbracket X = Y + c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \\ &\left( \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} C^\# \llbracket X = \mathcal{X}^\#(Y) + c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\#(Y) \notin \{\perp_b^\#, \top_b^\#\} \\ \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right\} \cap^\# \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} C^\# \llbracket Y = \mathcal{X}^\#(X) - c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{if } \mathcal{X}^\#(X) \notin \{\perp_b^\#, \top_b^\#\} \\ \mathcal{X}^\# & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right\} \right) \end{aligned}$$

# Constant analysis example

$\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  has finite height, the  $(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp i})$  converge in finite time.

(even though  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  is infinite...)

## Analysis example:

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X ← 0; Y ← 10;
while X < 100 do
    Y ← Y - 3;
    X ← X + Y; •
    Y ← Y + 3
done
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The constant analysis finds, at •, the invariant:  $\begin{cases} X = T_b^\sharp \\ Y = 7 \end{cases}$

Note: the analysis can find constants that do not appear syntactically in the program.

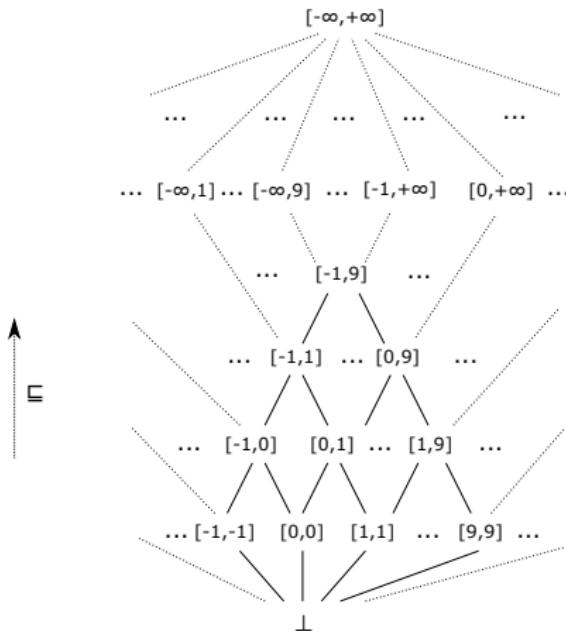
# The interval domain

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# The interval lattice

Introduced by [Cous76].

$$\mathcal{B}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ [a, b] \mid a \in \mathbb{I} \cup \{-\infty\}, b \in \mathbb{I} \cup \{+\infty\}, a \leq b \} \cup \{ \perp_b^\# \}$$



Note: intervals are open at infinite bounds  $+\infty, -\infty$ .

# The interval lattice (cont.)

Galois connection  $(\alpha_b, \gamma_b)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_b([a, b]) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \in \mathbb{I} \mid a \leq x \leq b\} \\ \alpha_b(\mathcal{X}) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp_b^\sharp & \text{if } \mathcal{X} = \emptyset \\ [\min \mathcal{X}, \max \mathcal{X}] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

If  $\mathbb{I} = \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\alpha_b$  is not always defined...

Partial order:

$$\begin{aligned}[a, b] \sqsubseteq_b [c, d] &\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} a \geq c \text{ and } b \leq d \\ T_b^\sharp &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [-\infty, +\infty] \\ [a, b] \cup_b^\sharp [c, d] &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [\min(a, c), \max(b, d)] \\ [a, b] \cap_b^\sharp [c, d] &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} [\max(a, c), \min(b, d)] & \text{if } \max \leq \min \\ \perp_b^\sharp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

If  $\mathbb{I} \neq \mathbb{Q}$ , it is a **complete lattice**.

# Interval abstract arithmetic operators

$$[c, c']_b^\sharp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [c, c']$$

$$-_b^\sharp [a, b] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [-b, -a]$$

$$[a, b] +_b^\sharp [c, d] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [a + c, b + d]$$

$$[a, b] -_b^\sharp [c, d] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [a - d, b - c]$$

$$[a, b] \times_b^\sharp [c, d] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [\min(ac, ad, bc, bd), \max(ac, ad, bc, bd)]$$

$$[a, b] /_b^\sharp [c, d] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp_b^\sharp & \text{if } c = d = 0 \\ [\min(a/c, a/d, b/c, b/d), \max(a/c, a/d, b/c, b/d)] & \text{else if } 0 \leq c \\ [-b, -a] /_b^\sharp [-d, -c] & \text{else if } d \leq 0 \\ ([a, b] /_b^\sharp [c, 0]) \cup_b^\sharp ([a, b] /_b^\sharp [0, d]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $\left| \begin{array}{l} \pm\infty \times 0 = 0, \quad 0/0 = 0, \quad \forall x: x/\pm\infty = 0 \\ \forall x > 0: x/0 = +\infty, \quad \forall x < 0: x/0 = -\infty \end{array} \right.$

Operators are **strict**:  $-_b^\sharp \perp_b^\sharp = \perp_b^\sharp$ ,  $[a, b] +_b^\sharp \perp_b^\sharp = \perp_b^\sharp$ , etc.

# Exactness and optimality: Example proofs

Proof: exactness of  $+_b^\sharp$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \{x + y \mid x \in \gamma_b([a, b]), y \in \gamma_b([c, d])\} \\
 = & \{x + y \mid a \leq x \leq b \wedge c \leq y \leq d\} \\
 = & \{z \mid a + c \leq z \leq b + d\} \\
 = & \gamma_b([a + c, b + d]) \\
 = & \gamma_b([a, b] +_b^\sharp [c, d])
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof optimality of  $\cup_b^\sharp$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \alpha_b(\gamma_b([a, b]) \cup \gamma_b([c, d])) \\
 = & \alpha_b(\{x \mid a \leq x \leq b\} \cup \{x \mid c \leq x \leq d\}) \\
 = & \alpha_b(\{x \mid a \leq x \leq b \vee c \leq x \leq d\}) \\
 = & [\min \{x \mid a \leq x \leq b \vee c \leq x \leq d\}, \max \{x \mid a \leq x \leq b \vee c \leq x \leq d\}] \\
 = & [\min(a, c), \max(b, d)] \\
 = & [a, b] \cup_b^\sharp [c, d]
 \end{aligned}$$

but  $\cup_b^\sharp$  is not exact

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# Interval abstract tests (non-generic)

If  $\mathcal{X}^\#(X) = [a, b]$  and  $\mathcal{X}^\#(Y) = [c, d]$ , we can define:

$$C^\# \llbracket X \leq c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp^\# & \text{if } a > c \\ \mathcal{X}^\# \llbracket X \mapsto [a, \min(b, c)] \rrbracket & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$C^\# \llbracket X \leq Y \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp^\# & \text{if } a > d \\ \mathcal{X}^\# \llbracket \begin{array}{l} X \mapsto [a, \min(b, d)], \\ Y \mapsto [\max(c, a), d] \end{array} \rrbracket & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$C^\# \llbracket e \bowtie 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}^\# \quad \text{otherwise}$$

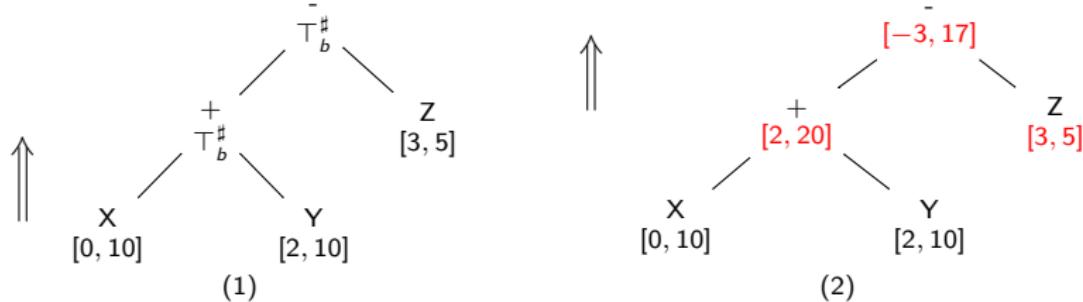
Note: fall-back operators

- $C^\# \llbracket e \bowtie 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# = \mathcal{X}^\#$  is always sound.
- $C^\# \llbracket X \leftarrow e \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\# = \mathcal{X}^\# \llbracket X \mapsto T_b^\# \rrbracket$  is always sound.

# Generic abstract tests, step 1

Example:  $C^\sharp \llbracket X + Y - Z \leq 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\sharp$   
 with  $\mathcal{X}^\sharp = \{ X \mapsto [0, 10], Y \mapsto [2, 10], Z \mapsto [3, 5] \}$

First step: **annotate** the expression tree with abstract values in  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$

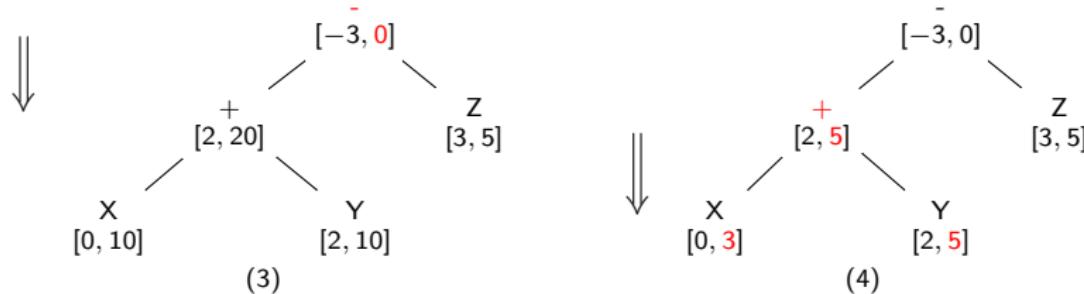


Bottom-up evaluation similar to abstract expression evaluation using  $+^\sharp_b$ ,  $-^\sharp_b$ , etc. but storing abstract value at each node.

# Generic abstract tests, step 2

Example:  $C^\sharp \llbracket X + Y - Z \leq 0 \rrbracket \mathcal{X}^\sharp$   
 with  $\mathcal{X}^\sharp = \{X \mapsto [0, 10], Y \mapsto [2, 10], Z \mapsto [3, 5]\}$

Second step: top-down expression refinement.



- refine the **root** abstract value, knowing it should be negative;
- propagate refined abstract values **downwards**;
- values at **leaf variables** provide new information to store into  $\mathcal{X}^\sharp$ .  
 $\{X \mapsto [0, 3], Y \mapsto [2, 5], Z \mapsto [3, 5]\}$

# Backward arithmetic and comparison operators

In general, we need **sound backward** arithmetic and comparison operators that **refine** their arguments given a result.

Soundness condition: for  $\overleftarrow{\leq}_b^\sharp, \overleftarrow{+}_b^\sharp, \overleftarrow{-}_b^\sharp, \dots$

$$\mathcal{X}_b^{\sharp\prime} = \overleftarrow{\leq}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) \implies \{x \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) \mid x \leq 0\} \subseteq \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^{\sharp\prime}) \subseteq \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp)$$

$$\mathcal{X}_b^{\sharp\prime} = \overleftarrow{-}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp) \implies \{x \mid x \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp), -x \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp)\} \subseteq \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^{\sharp\prime}) \subseteq \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{X}_b^{\sharp\prime}, \mathcal{Y}_b^{\sharp\prime}) &= \overleftarrow{+}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp) \implies \\ &\{x \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) \mid \exists y \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp) : x + y \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp)\} \subseteq \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^{\sharp\prime}) \subseteq \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) \\ &\{y \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp) \mid \exists x \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) : x + y \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp)\} \subseteq \gamma_b(\mathcal{Y}_b^{\sharp\prime}) \subseteq \gamma_b(\mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp) \end{aligned}$$

⋮

Note: **best** backward operators can be designed with  $\alpha_b$ :

e.g. for  $\overleftarrow{+}_b^\sharp$ :  $\mathcal{X}_b^{\sharp\prime} = \alpha_b(\{x \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) \mid \exists y \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp) : x + y \in \gamma_b(\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp)\})$

# Generic backward operator construction

Synthesizing (non necessarily optimal) **backward** arithmetic operators from **forward** arithmetic operators.

$$\overleftarrow{\leq}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp [-\infty, 0]_b^\sharp$$

$$\overleftarrow{-}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp (-_b^\sharp \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp)$$

(as  $R = -X \implies X = -R$ )

$$\overleftarrow{+}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp (\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp -_b^\sharp \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp), \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp (\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp -_b^\sharp \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp))$$

(as  $R = X + Y \implies X = R - Y$  and  $Y = R - X$ )

$$\overleftarrow{-}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp (\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp +_b^\sharp \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp), \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp (\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp -_b^\sharp \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp))$$

$$\overleftarrow{\times}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp (\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp /_b^\sharp \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp), \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp (\mathcal{R}_b^\sharp /_b^\sharp \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp))$$

$$\overleftarrow{\wedge}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp (\mathcal{S}_b^\sharp \times_b^\sharp \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp), \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp ((\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp /_b^\sharp \mathcal{S}_b^\sharp) \cup_b^\sharp [0, 0]_b^\sharp))$$

where  $\mathcal{S}_b^\sharp = \begin{cases} \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp & \text{if } \mathbb{I} \neq \mathbb{Z} \\ \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp +_b^\sharp [-1, 1]_b^\sharp & \text{if } \mathbb{I} = \mathbb{Z} \text{ (as / rounds)} \end{cases}$

Note:  $\overleftarrow{\diamond}_b^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{R}_b^\sharp) = (\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_b^\sharp)$  is always sound (no refinement).

# Application to the interval domain

Applying the generic construction to the interval domain:

$$\overleftarrow{\leq}_b^\sharp([a, b]) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} [a, \min(b, 0)] & \text{if } a \geq 0 \\ \perp_b^\sharp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\overleftarrow{\sqsubseteq}_b^\sharp([a, b], [r, s]) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [a, b] \cap_b^\sharp [-s, -r]$$

$$\overleftarrow{+}_b^\sharp([a, b], [c, d], [r, s]) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ([a, b] \cap_b^\sharp [r - d, s - c], [c, d] \cap_b^\sharp [r - b, s - a])$$

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# Generic non-relational backward assignment

Abstract function:  $\overleftarrow{C}^\# \llbracket V \leftarrow e \rrbracket (\mathcal{X}^\#, \mathcal{R}^\#)$

over-approximates  $\gamma(\mathcal{X}^\#) \cap \overleftarrow{C}^\# \llbracket V \leftarrow e \rrbracket \gamma(\mathcal{R}^\#)$  given:

- an abstract pre-condition  $\mathcal{X}^\#$  to refine,
- according to a given abstract post-condition  $\mathcal{R}^\#$ .

**Algorithm:** similar to the abstract test

- annotate **variable leaves** based on  $\mathcal{X}^\# \cap^\# (\mathcal{R}^\# [V \mapsto T_b^\#])$ ;
- **evaluate** bottom-up using forward operators  $\diamond_b^\#$ ;
- **intersect** the root with  $\mathcal{R}^\#(V)$ ;
- **refine** top-down using backward operators  $\overleftarrow{\diamond}_b^\#$ ;
- **return**  $\mathcal{X}^\#$  intersected with values at variable leaves.

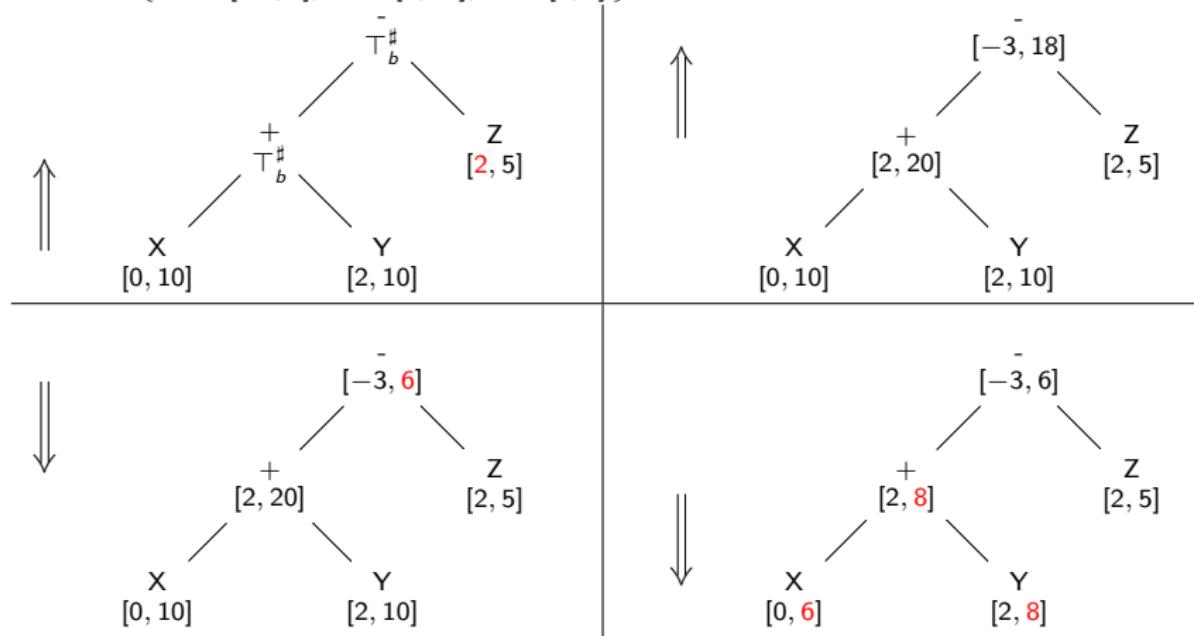
Note:

- local iterations can also be used
- fallback:  $\overleftarrow{C}^\# \llbracket V \leftarrow e \rrbracket (\mathcal{X}^\#, \mathcal{R}^\#) = \mathcal{X}^\# \cap^\# (\mathcal{R}^\# [V \mapsto T_b^\#])$

# Interval backward assignment example

Example:  $\leftarrow C^\# [X \leftarrow X + Y - Z] (\mathcal{X}^\#, \mathcal{R}^\#)$

with  $\mathcal{X}^\# = \{ X \mapsto [0, 10], Y \mapsto [2, 10], Z \mapsto [1, 5] \}$   
 and  $\mathcal{R}^\# = \{ X \mapsto [-6, 6], Y \mapsto [2, 10], Z \mapsto [2, 6] \}$



# Widening

$\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  has an **infinite height**, so does  $\mathcal{D}^\sharp$ .

Naive iterations  $(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp i})$  may not converge in finite time.

We will use a **widening operator**  $\triangledown$ .

## Definition: widening $\triangledown$

Binary operator  $\mathcal{D}^\sharp \times \mathcal{D}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^\sharp$  ensuring

- soundness:  $\gamma(\mathcal{X}^\sharp) \cup \gamma(\mathcal{Y}^\sharp) \subseteq \gamma(\mathcal{X}^\sharp \triangledown \mathcal{Y}^\sharp)$ ,
- termination:

for all sequences  $(\mathcal{X}_i^\sharp)$ , the increasing sequence  $(\mathcal{Y}_i^\sharp)$  defined by

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{Y}_0^\sharp & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_0^\sharp \\ \mathcal{Y}_{i+1}^\sharp & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{Y}_i^\sharp \triangledown \mathcal{X}_{i+1}^\sharp \end{cases}$$

is **stationary**, i.e.,  $\exists i: \mathcal{Y}_{i+1}^\sharp = \mathcal{Y}_i^\sharp$ .

# Interval widening

## Widening on non-relational domains:

Given a value widening  $\nabla_b: \mathcal{B}^\sharp \times \mathcal{B}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\sharp$ ,

we extend it point-wise into a widening  $\nabla: \mathcal{D}^\sharp \times \mathcal{D}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^\sharp$ :

$$\mathcal{X}^\sharp \nabla \mathcal{Y}^\sharp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda V. (\mathcal{X}^\sharp(V) \nabla_b \mathcal{Y}^\sharp(V))$$

## Interval widening example:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \perp^\sharp & \nabla_b & \mathcal{X}^\sharp & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & \mathcal{X}^\sharp \\ [a, b] & \nabla_b & [c, d] & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & \left[ \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} a & \text{if } a \leq c \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right., \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} b & \text{if } b \geq d \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right. \right] \end{array}$$

Unstable bounds are set to  $\pm\infty$ .

# Abstract analysis with widening

Take a set  $\mathcal{W} \subseteq L$  of **widening points** such that every CFG cycle has a point in  $\mathcal{W}$ .

## Iteration with widening:

$$\mathcal{X}_e^{\#0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} T^{\#}$$

$$\mathcal{X}_{\ell \neq e}^{\#0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \perp^{\#}$$

$$\mathcal{X}_{\ell}^{\#n+1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} T^{\#} & \text{if } \ell = e \\ \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C^{\#}[\![c]\!] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\#n} & \text{if } \ell \notin \mathcal{W}, \ell \neq e \\ \mathcal{X}_{\ell}^{\#n} \downarrow \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C^{\#}[\![c]\!] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\#n} & \text{if } \ell \in \mathcal{W}, \ell \neq e \end{cases}$$

**Theorem:** we have:

- **termination:** for some  $\delta$ ,  $\forall \ell \in \mathcal{L}: \mathcal{X}_{\ell}^{\#\delta+1} = \mathcal{X}_{\ell}^{\#\delta}$
- **soundness:**  $\forall \ell \in \mathcal{L}: \mathcal{X}_{\ell} \subseteq \gamma(\mathcal{X}_{\ell}^{\#\delta})$

Note: the abstract operators  $C^{\#}[\!]$  do not have to be monotonic!

# Abstract analysis with widening (proof 1/2)

## Proof of soundness:

Suppose that  $\forall \ell: \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta+1} = \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta}$ .

If  $\ell = e$ , by definition:  $\mathcal{X}_e^{\#\delta} = \top^\#$  and  $\gamma(\top^\#) = \mathcal{E}$ .

If  $\ell \neq e$ ,  $\ell \notin \mathcal{W}$ , then  $\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta} = \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta+1} = \cup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A}^\# C^\# \llbracket c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\#\delta}$ .

By soundness of  $\cup^\#$  and  $C^\# \llbracket c \rrbracket$ ,  $\gamma(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta}) \supseteq \cup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C \llbracket c \rrbracket \gamma(\mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\#\delta})$ .

If  $\ell \neq e$ ,  $\ell \in \mathcal{W}$ , then  $\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta} = \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta+1} = \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta} \sqcap \cup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A}^\# C^\# \llbracket c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\#\delta}$ .

By soundness of  $\sqcap$ ,  $\gamma(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta}) \supseteq \gamma(\cup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A}^\# C^\# \llbracket c \rrbracket \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\#\delta})$ ,

and so we also have  $\gamma(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta}) \supseteq \cup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A} C \llbracket c \rrbracket \gamma(\mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\#\delta})$ .

We have proved that  $\lambda \ell. \gamma(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#\delta})$  is a postfixpoint of the concrete equation system.  
Hence, it is greater than its least solution.

# Abstract analysis with widening (proof 2/2)

## Proof of termination:

Suppose that the iteration does not terminate in finite time.

Given a label  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$ , we denote by  $i_\ell^1, \dots, i_\ell^k, \dots$  the increasing sequence of unstable indices, i.e., such that

$$\forall k: \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\# i_\ell^{k+1}} \neq \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\# i_\ell^k}.$$

As the iteration is not stable,  $\forall n: \exists \ell: \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\# n} \neq \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\# n+1}$ .

Hence, the sequence  $(i_\ell^k)_k$  is infinite for at least one  $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$ .

We argue that  $\exists \ell \in \mathcal{W}$  such that  $(i_\ell^k)_k$  is infinite as, otherwise,  $N = \max \{ i_\ell^k \mid \ell \in \mathcal{W} \} + |\mathcal{L}|$  is finite and satisfies:  $\forall n \geq N: \forall \ell \in \mathcal{L}: \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\# n} = \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\# n+1}$ , contradicting our assumption.

For such a  $\ell \in \mathcal{W}$ , consider the subsequence  $\mathcal{Y}_k^\# = \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\# i_\ell^k}$  comprised of the unstable iterates of  $\mathcal{X}_\ell^\#$ .

Then  $\mathcal{Y}^{\# k+1} = \mathcal{Y}^{\# k} \nabla \mathcal{Z}^{\# k}$  for some sequence  $\mathcal{Z}^{\# k}$ .

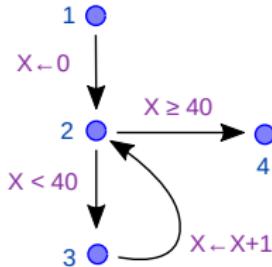
The subsequence is infinite and  $\forall k: \mathcal{Y}^{\# k+1} \neq \mathcal{Y}^{\# k}$ , which contradicts the definition of  $\nabla$ .

Hence, the iteration must terminate in finite time.

# Interval analysis with widening example

## Analysis example

with  $\mathcal{W} = \{2\}$



$\ell$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#0}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#1}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#2}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#3}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#4}$	$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\#5}$
1	T <sup>#</sup>					
2 <span style="color:red">▼</span>	⊥ <sup>#</sup>	= 0	= 0	≥ 0	≥ 0	≥ 0
3	⊥ <sup>#</sup>	⊥ <sup>#</sup>	= 0	= 0	∈ [0, 39]	∈ [0, 39]
4	⊥ <sup>#</sup>	⊥ <sup>#</sup>	⊥ <sup>#</sup>	⊥ <sup>#</sup>	≥ 40	≥ 40

More precisely, at the widening point:

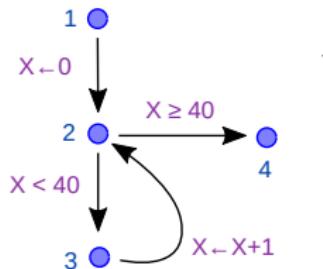
$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \mathcal{X}_2^{\#1} &= \perp^{\#} & \nabla_b ([0, 0] \cup_b^{\#} \perp^{\#}) &= \perp^{\#} & \nabla_b [0, 0] &= [0, 0] \\
 \mathcal{X}_2^{\#2} &= [0, 0] & \nabla_b ([0, 0] \cup_b^{\#} \perp^{\#}) &= [0, 0] & \nabla_b [0, 0] &= [0, 0] \\
 \mathcal{X}_2^{\#3} &= [0, 0] & \nabla_b ([0, 0] \cup_b^{\#} [1, 1]) &= [0, 0] & \nabla_b [0, 1] &= [0, +\infty[ \\
 \mathcal{X}_2^{\#4} &= [0, +\infty] & \nabla_b ([0, 0] \cup_b^{\#} [1, 40]) &= [0, +\infty] & \nabla_b [0, 40] &= [0, +\infty]
 \end{array}$$

Note that the most precise interval abstraction would be  $X \in [0, 40]$  at 2, and  $X = 40$  at 4.

# Influence of the widening point and iteration strategy

## Changing $\mathcal{W}$ changes the analysis result

Example: The analysis is less precise for  $\mathcal{W} = \{3\}$ .



$\ell$	$x_\ell^{\#1}$	$x_\ell^{\#2}$	$x_\ell^{\#3}$	$x_\ell^{\#4}$	$x_\ell^{\#5}$	$x_\ell^{\#6}$
1	$T^\#$	$T^\#$	$T^\#$	$T^\#$	$T^\#$	$T^\#$
2	$= 0$	$= 0$	$\in [0, 1]$	$\in [0, 1]$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$
3 $\textcolor{red}{\triangleright}$	$\perp^\#$	$= 0$	$= 0$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$
4	$\perp^\#$	$\perp^\#$	$\perp^\#$	$\perp^\#$	$\perp^\#$	$\geq 40$

Intuition: extrapolation to  $+\infty$  is no longer contained by the tests.

## Chaotic iterations

Changing the iteration order changes the analysis result in the presence of a widening [Bour93b].

# A simple technique: Widening delay

```

V ← 0;
while 0 = [0,1] do
    if V = 0 then V ← 1 fi
done

```

$V$  is only incremented **once**, from 0 to 1.

## Problem:

$\nabla$  considers  $V$  unstable and sets it to  $[0, +\infty]$   $\Rightarrow$  precision loss  
 $([0, 0] \nabla [0, 1] = [0, +\infty])$

**Solution:** **delay** widening application for one or more iterations:

$$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp n+1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} F^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp n}) & \text{if } n < N \\ \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp n} \nabla F^\sharp(\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp n}) & \text{if } n \geq N \end{cases}$$

with  $N = 1$ ,  $X_1^\sharp = [0, 0] \cup^\sharp [1, 1] = [0, 1]$ ,  $X_2^\sharp = [0, 1] \nabla [0, 1] = [0, 1] = X_1^\sharp$

(after some point, the widening must be applied continuously)

# Narrowing

Using a widening makes the analysis less precise.

Some precision can be retrieved by using a **narrowing**  $\Delta$ .

## Definition: narrowing $\Delta$

Binary operator  $\mathcal{D}^\# \times \mathcal{D}^\# \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^\#$  such that:

- $\gamma(\mathcal{X}^\#) \cap \gamma(\mathcal{Y}^\#) \subseteq \gamma(\mathcal{X}^\# \Delta \mathcal{Y}^\#) \subseteq \gamma(\mathcal{X}^\#)$ ,
- for all sequences  $(\mathcal{X}_i^\#)$ , the decreasing sequence  $(\mathcal{Y}_i^\#)$   
 defined by 
$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{Y}_0^\# & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_0^\# \\ \mathcal{Y}_{i+1}^\# & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{Y}_i^\# \Delta \mathcal{X}_{i+1}^\# \end{cases}$$
  
 is **stationary**.

This is not the dual of a widening!

The **widening** must **ultimately jump above** the **least fixpoint** (to any post-fixpoint).

The **narrowing** must **always stay above** the **least fixpoint** (or any fixpoint actually).

# Narrowing examples

## Trivial narrowing:

$\mathcal{X}^\# \Delta \mathcal{Y}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}^\#$  is a correct narrowing.

## Finite-time intersection narrowing:

$$\mathcal{X}^{\#i} \Delta \mathcal{Y}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \mathcal{X}^{\#i} \cap^\# \mathcal{Y}^\# & \text{if } i \leq N \\ \mathcal{X}^{\#i} & \text{if } i > N \end{cases}$$

(indexed by an iteration counter  $i$ )

## Interval narrowing:

$$[a, b] \Delta_b [c, d] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left[ \begin{cases} c & \text{if } a = -\infty \\ a & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \begin{cases} d & \text{if } b = +\infty \\ b & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right]$$

(refine only infinite bounds)

Point-wise extension to  $\mathcal{D}^\#$ :  $\mathcal{X}^\# \Delta \mathcal{Y}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda V. (\mathcal{X}^\#(V) \Delta_b \mathcal{Y}^\#(V))$

# Iterations with narrowing

Let  $\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp\delta}$  be the result after widening stabilisation, i.e.:

$$\mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp\delta} \triangleq \begin{cases} \top^\sharp & \text{if } \ell = e \\ \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A}^\sharp C^\sharp[c] \mathcal{X}_{\ell'}^{\sharp\delta} & \text{if } \ell \neq e \end{cases}$$

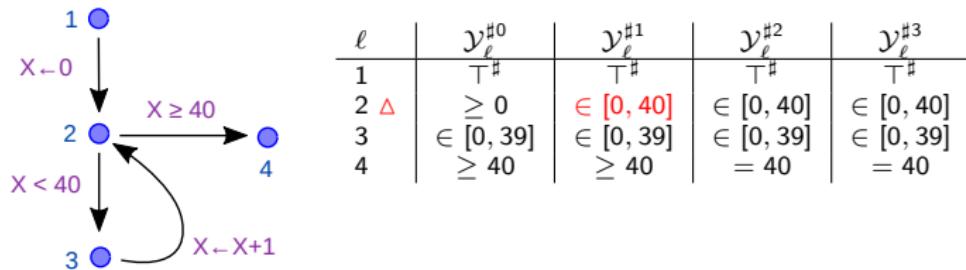
The following sequence is computed:

$$\mathcal{Y}_\ell^{\sharp 0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_\ell^{\sharp\delta} \quad \mathcal{Y}_\ell^{\sharp i+1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \top^\sharp & \text{if } \ell = e \\ \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A}^\sharp C^\sharp[c] \mathcal{Y}_{\ell'}^{\sharp i} & \text{if } \ell \notin \mathcal{W} \\ \mathcal{Y}_\ell^{\sharp i} \Delta \bigcup_{(\ell', c, \ell) \in A}^\sharp C^\sharp[c] \mathcal{Y}_{\ell'}^{\sharp i} & \text{if } \ell \in \mathcal{W} \end{cases}$$

- the sequence  $(\mathcal{Y}_\ell^{\sharp i})$  is **decreasing** and **converges in finite time**,
- all the  $(\mathcal{Y}_\ell^{\sharp i})$  are **sound abstractions** of the concrete system.

# Interval analysis with narrowing example

Example with  $\mathcal{W} = \{2\}$



Narrowing at 2 gives:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Y}_2^{\sharp 1} &= [0, +\infty] \Delta_b ([0, 0] \cup_b^{\sharp} [1, 40]) = [0, +\infty[ \Delta_b [0, 40] = [0, 40] \\ \mathcal{Y}_2^{\sharp 2} &= [0, 40] \Delta_b ([0, 0] \cup_b^{\sharp} [1, 40]) = [0, 40] \Delta_b [0, 40] = [0, 40]\end{aligned}$$

Then  $\mathcal{Y}_2^{\sharp 2} : X \in [0, 40]$  gives  $\mathcal{Y}_4^{\sharp 3} : X = 40$ .

We found the most precise invariants!

# Another use of narrowing: Backward analysis

## Backward refinement:

Given a forward analysis result  $(\mathcal{X}_\ell^\#)_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$  and an abstract output  $\mathcal{Y}^\#$  at  $x$ , we compute  $(\mathcal{Y}_\ell^\#)_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$ .

$$\mathcal{Y}_x^{\#0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_x^\# \cap^\# \mathcal{Y}^\#$$

$$\mathcal{Y}_{\ell \neq x}^{\#0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_\ell^\#$$

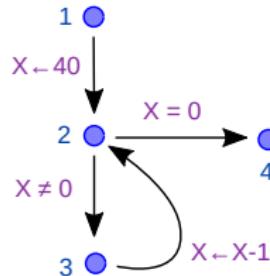
$$\mathcal{Y}_\ell^{\#n+1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \mathcal{X}_x^\# \cap^\# \mathcal{Y}^\# & \text{if } \ell = x \\ \mathcal{X}_\ell^\# \cap^\# \bigcup_{(\ell, c, \ell') \in A} \overleftarrow{C}^\# \llbracket c \rrbracket \mathcal{Y}_{\ell'}^{\#n} & \text{if } \ell \notin \mathcal{W}, \ell \neq x \\ \mathcal{Y}_\ell^{\#n} \Delta (\mathcal{X}_\ell^\# \cap^\# \bigcup_{(\ell, c, \ell') \in A} \overleftarrow{C}^\# \llbracket c \rrbracket \mathcal{Y}_{\ell'}^{\#n}) & \text{if } \ell \in \mathcal{W}, \ell \neq x \end{cases}$$

$\Delta$  overapproximates  $\cap$  while enforcing the convergence of **decreasing** iterations

Forward–backward analyses can be iterated [Bour93b].

# Improving the interval widening

## Example of imprecise analysis



$\ell$	intervals with $\nabla_b$	extended signs	intervals with $\nabla'_b$
1	$T^\#$	$T^\#$	$T^\#$
2 $\textcolor{red}{\triangledown}$	$X \leq 40$	$X \geq 0$	$X \in [0, 40]$
3	$X \leq 40$	$X > 0$	$X \in [0, 40]$
4	$X = 0$	$X = 0$	$X = 0$

The interval domain cannot prove that  $X \geq 0$  at 2,  
while the (less powerful) sign domain can!  
(narrowing does not help)

Solution: improve the interval widening

$$[a, b] \nabla'_b [c, d] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left[ \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a \leq c \\ 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq c < a \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \begin{cases} b & \text{if } b \geq d \\ 0 & \text{if } 0 \geq b > d \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right]$$

( $\nabla'_b$  checks the stability of 0)

# Widening with thresholds

## Analysis problem:

```

X ← 0;
while • 1 = 1 do
    if [0,1] = 0 then
        X ← X + 1;
        if X > 40 then X ← 0 fi
    fi
done

```

We wish to prove that  $X \in [0, 40]$  at •.

- Widening at • finds the loop invariant  $X \in [0, +\infty]$ .  
 $\mathcal{X}_\bullet^\# = [0, 0] \nabla_b ([0, 0] \cup^\# [0, 1]) = [0, 0] \nabla_b [0, 1] = [0, +\infty[$
- Narrowing is unable to refine the invariant:  
 $\mathcal{Y}_\bullet^\# = [0, +\infty] \Delta_b ([0, 0] \cup^\# [0, +\infty[) = [0, +\infty[$

(the code that limits X is not executed at every loop iteration)

# Widening with thresholds (cont.)

## Solution:

Choose a **finite set  $T$  of thresholds** containing  $+\infty$  and  $-\infty$ .

**Definition:** widening with thresholds  $\nabla_b^T$

$$[a, b] \nabla_b^T [c, d] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left[ \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a \leq c \\ \max \{x \in T \mid x \leq c\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right],$$
$$\left[ \begin{cases} b & \text{if } b \geq d \\ \min \{x \in T \mid x \geq d\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right]$$

The widening tests and stops at the first stable bound in  $T$ .

# Widening with thresholds (cont.)

## Applications:

- On the previous example, we find:  $X \in [0, \min \{x \in T \mid x \geq 40\}]$ .
- Useful when it is **easy to find a 'good' set  $T$ .**  
*Example:* array bound-checking
- Useful if an **over-approximation of the bound is sufficient.**  
*Example:* arithmetic overflow checking

Limitations: only works if some non- $\infty$  bound in  $T$  is stable.

*Example:* with  $T = \{5, 15\}$

```
while 1 = 1 do
    X ← X + 1;
    if X > 10 then X ← 0 fi
done
```

15 is stable

```
while 1 = 1 do
    X ← X + 1;
    if X ≠ 10 then X ← 0 fi
done
```

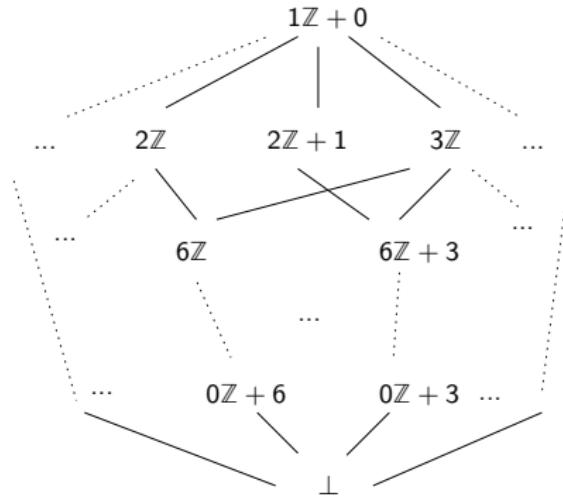
no stable bound

# The congruence domain

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# The congruence lattice

$$\mathcal{B}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ (a\mathbb{Z} + b) \mid a \in \mathbb{N}, b \in \mathbb{Z} \} \cup \{ \perp_b^\# \}$$



Introduced by Granger [Gran89].

We take  $\mathbb{I} = \mathbb{Z}$ .

# The congruence lattice (cont.)

## Concretization:

$$\gamma_b(\mathcal{X}_b^\#) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \{ak + b \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\} & \text{if } \mathcal{X}_b^\# = (a\mathbb{Z} + b) \\ \emptyset & \text{if } \mathcal{X}_b^\# = \perp_b^\# \end{cases}$$

Note that  $\gamma(0\mathbb{Z} + b) = \{b\}$ .

$\gamma_b$  is **not injective**:  $\gamma_b(2\mathbb{Z} + 1) = \gamma_b(2\mathbb{Z} + 3)$ .

## Definitions:

Given  $x, x' \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $y, y' \in \mathbb{N}$ , we define:

- $y/y'$   $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff}$   $y$  divides  $y'$  ( $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}: y' = ky$ ) (note that  $\forall y: y/0$ )
- $x \equiv x' [y]$   $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff}$   $y/|x - x'|$  (in particular,  $x \equiv x' [0] \iff x = x'$ )
- $\vee$  is the LCM, extended with  $y \vee 0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0 \vee y \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$
- $\wedge$  is the GCD, extended with  $y \wedge 0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0 \wedge y \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} y$

$(\mathbb{N}, /, \vee, \wedge, 1, 0)$  is a **complete distributive lattice**.

# Abstract congruence operators

Complete lattice structure on  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$ :

- $(a\mathbb{Z} + b) \sqsubseteq_b (a'\mathbb{Z} + b') \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} a'/a \text{ and } b \equiv b' [a']$
- $T_b^\sharp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (1\mathbb{Z} + 0)$
- $(a\mathbb{Z} + b) \sqcup_b^\sharp (a'\mathbb{Z} + b') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (a \wedge a' \wedge |b - b'|)\mathbb{Z} + b$
- $(a\mathbb{Z} + b) \sqcap_b^\sharp (a'\mathbb{Z} + b') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} (a \vee a')\mathbb{Z} + b'' & \text{if } b \equiv b' [a \wedge a'] \\ \perp_b^\sharp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$   
 $b''$  such that  $b'' \equiv b [a] \equiv b' [a']$  is given by Bezout's Theorem.

Galois connection:  $\alpha_b(\mathcal{X}) = \bigcup_{c \in \mathcal{X}}^\sharp (0\mathbb{Z} + c)$

(up to equivalence  $a\mathbb{Z} + b \equiv a'\mathbb{Z} + b' \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} a = a' \wedge b \equiv b' [a]$ )

# Abstract congruence operators (cont.)

## Arithmetic operators:

$$[c, c']_b^\sharp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} 0\mathbb{Z} + c & \text{if } c = c' \\ T_b^\sharp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$-_b^\sharp (a\mathbb{Z} + b) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a\mathbb{Z} + (-b)$$

$$(a\mathbb{Z} + b) +_b^\sharp (a'\mathbb{Z} + b') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (a \wedge a')\mathbb{Z} + (b + b')$$

$$(a\mathbb{Z} + b) -_b^\sharp (a'\mathbb{Z} + b') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (a \wedge a')\mathbb{Z} + (b - b')$$

$$(a\mathbb{Z} + b) \times_b^\sharp (a'\mathbb{Z} + b') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (aa' \wedge ab' \wedge a'b)\mathbb{Z} + bb'$$

$$(a\mathbb{Z} + b) /_b^\sharp (a'\mathbb{Z} + b') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$$

$$\begin{cases} \perp_b^\sharp & \text{if } a'\mathbb{Z} + b' = 0\mathbb{Z} + 0 \\ (a/|b'|)\mathbb{Z} + (b/b') & \text{if } a' = 0, b' \neq 0, b'|a, \text{ and } b'|b \\ T_b^\sharp & \text{otherwise (not optimal)} \end{cases}$$

# Abstract congruence operators (cont.)

## Test operators:

$$\overleftarrow{\leq} 0_b^\sharp (a\mathbb{Z} + b) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \perp_b^\sharp & \text{if } a = 0, b > 0 \\ a\mathbb{Z} + b & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

⋮

Note: better than the generic  $\overleftarrow{\leq} 0_b^\sharp (\mathcal{X}_b^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp \cap_b^\sharp [-\infty, 0]_b^\sharp = \mathcal{X}_b^\sharp$

## Extrapolation operators:

- no infinite increasing chain  $\implies$  no need for  $\triangledown$
- infinite decreasing chains  $\implies$   $\triangle$  needed

$$(a\mathbb{Z} + b) \triangle_b (a'\mathbb{Z} + b') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} a'\mathbb{Z} + b' & \text{if } a = 1 \\ a\mathbb{Z} + b & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note:  $\mathcal{X}^\sharp \triangle \mathcal{Y}^\sharp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{X}^\sharp$  is always a narrowing.

# Congruence analysis example

```
X ← 0; Y ← 2;  
while • X < 40 do  
    X ← X + 2;  
    if X < 5 then Y ← Y+18 fi;  
    if X > 8 then Y ← Y-30 fi  
done
```

We find, at •, the loop invariant

$$\begin{cases} X \in 2\mathbb{Z} \\ Y \in 6\mathbb{Z} + 2 \end{cases}$$

# Reduced products

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# Non-reduced product of domains

## Product representation:

Cartesian product  $\mathcal{D}_{1 \times 2}^\#$  of  $\mathcal{D}_1^\#$  and  $\mathcal{D}_2^\#$ :

- $\mathcal{D}_{1 \times 2}^\# \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{D}_1^\# \times \mathcal{D}_2^\#$
- $\gamma_{1 \times 2}(\mathcal{X}_1^\#, \mathcal{X}_2^\#) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \gamma_1(\mathcal{X}_1^\#) \cap \gamma_2(\mathcal{X}_2^\#)$
- $\alpha_{1 \times 2}(\mathcal{X}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\alpha_1(\mathcal{X}), \alpha_2(\mathcal{X}))$
- $(\mathcal{X}_1^\#, \mathcal{X}_2^\#) \sqsubseteq_{1 \times 2} (\mathcal{Y}_1^\#, \mathcal{Y}_2^\#) \iff \mathcal{X}_1^\# \sqsubseteq_1 \mathcal{Y}_1^\# \text{ and } \mathcal{X}_2^\# \sqsubseteq_2 \mathcal{Y}_2^\#$

Abstract operators: performed in parallel on both components:

- $(\mathcal{X}_1^\#, \mathcal{X}_2^\#) \cup_{1 \times 2}^\# (\mathcal{Y}_1^\#, \mathcal{Y}_2^\#) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathcal{X}_1^\# \cup_1^\# \mathcal{Y}_1^\#, \mathcal{X}_2^\# \cup_2^\# \mathcal{Y}_2^\#)$
- $(\mathcal{X}_1^\#, \mathcal{X}_2^\#) \nabla_{1 \times 2} (\mathcal{Y}_1^\#, \mathcal{Y}_2^\#) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathcal{X}_1^\# \nabla_1 \mathcal{Y}_1^\#, \mathcal{X}_2^\# \nabla_2 \mathcal{Y}_2^\#)$
- $C^\#[\![c]\!]_{1 \times 2}(\mathcal{X}_1^\#, \mathcal{X}_2^\#) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (C^\#[\![c]\!]_1(\mathcal{X}_1^\#), C^\#[\![c]\!]_2(\mathcal{X}_2^\#))$

# Non-reduced product example

The product analysis is no more precise than two separate analyses.

Example: interval-congruence product:

```

X ← 1;
while X ≤ 10 do
    X ← X + 2
done;
• if X ≥ 12 then♦ X ← 0★ fi

```

	interval	congruence	product
•	$X \in [11, 12]$	$X \equiv 1 [2]$	$X = 11$
♦	$X = 12$	$X \equiv 1 [2]$	$\emptyset$
★	$X = 0$	$X = 0$	$X = 0$

We **cannot** prove that the **if** branch is never taken!

# Fully-reduced product

## Definition:

Given the Galois connections  $(\alpha_1, \gamma_1)$  and  $(\alpha_2, \gamma_2)$  on  $\mathcal{D}_1^\sharp$  and  $\mathcal{D}_2^\sharp$  we define the **reduction operator  $\rho$**  as:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho : \mathcal{D}_{1 \times 2}^\sharp &\rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{1 \times 2}^\sharp \\ \rho(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\alpha_1(\gamma_1(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp) \cap \gamma_2(\mathcal{X}_2^\sharp)), \alpha_2(\gamma_1(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp) \cap \gamma_2(\mathcal{X}_2^\sharp)))\end{aligned}$$

$\rho$  propagates information between domains.

## Application:

We can reduce the result of each abstract operator, except  $\nabla$ :

- $(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp) \cup_{1 \times 2}^\sharp (\mathcal{Y}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_2^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \rho(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp \cup_1^\sharp \mathcal{Y}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp \cup_2^\sharp \mathcal{Y}_2^\sharp),$
- $C^\sharp[\![c]\!]_{1 \times 2}(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \rho(C^\sharp[\![c]\!]_1(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp), C^\sharp[\![c]\!]_2(\mathcal{X}_2^\sharp)).$

We refrain from reducing after a widening  $\nabla$ ,  
this may jeopardize the convergence (octagon domain example).

# Fully-reduced product example

Reduction example: between the **interval** and **congruence** domains:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Noting: } a' &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \min \{x \geq a \mid x \equiv d [c]\} \\ b' &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \max \{x \leq b \mid x \equiv d [c]\} \end{aligned}$$

We get:

$$\rho_b([a, b], c\mathbb{Z} + d) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} (\perp_b^\sharp, \perp_b^\sharp) & \text{if } a' > b' \\ ([a', a'], 0\mathbb{Z} + a') & \text{if } a' = b' \\ ([a', b'], c\mathbb{Z} + d) & \text{if } a' < b' \end{cases}$$

extended point-wisely to  $\rho$  on  $\mathcal{D}^\sharp$ .

## Application:

- $\rho_b([10, 11], 2\mathbb{Z} + 1) = ([11, 11], 0\mathbb{Z} + 11)$   
(proves that the branch is never taken on our example)
- $\rho_b([1, 3], 4\mathbb{Z}) = (\perp_b^\sharp, \perp_b^\sharp)$

# Partially-reduced product

Definition: of a **partial** reduction:

any function  $\rho : \mathcal{D}_{1 \times 2}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{1 \times 2}^\sharp$  such that:

$$(\mathcal{Y}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_2^\sharp) = \rho(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp) \implies \begin{cases} \gamma_{1 \times 2}(\mathcal{Y}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{Y}_2^\sharp) = \gamma_{1 \times 2}(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp) \\ \gamma_1(\mathcal{Y}_1^\sharp) \subseteq \gamma_1(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp) \\ \gamma_2(\mathcal{Y}_2^\sharp) \subseteq \gamma_2(\mathcal{X}_2^\sharp) \end{cases}$$

Useful when:

- there is no Galois connection, or
- a full reduction exists but is expensive to compute.

## Partial reduction example:

$$\rho(\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} (\perp^\sharp, \perp^\sharp) & \text{if } \mathcal{X}_1^\sharp = \perp^\sharp \text{ or } \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp = \perp^\sharp \\ (\mathcal{X}_1^\sharp, \mathcal{X}_2^\sharp) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(works on all domains)

For more complex examples, see [Blan03].

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