

What's inside UPPAAL

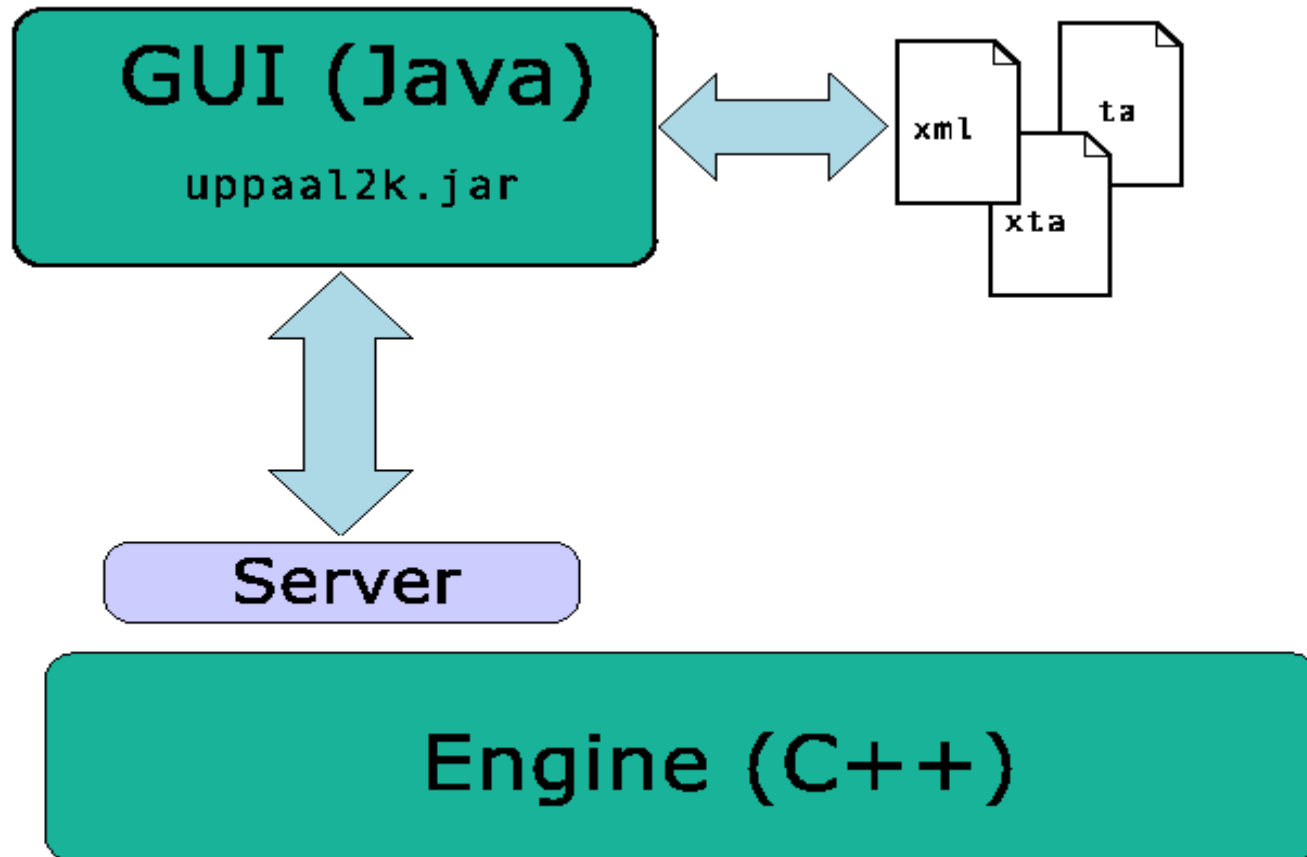
-- Data Structures and Algorithms

UPPAAL Tool

The image displays the UPPAAL tool interface, divided into three main functional areas:

- Modeling:** The top-left window shows a state transition diagram for a train gate system. States include `Safe`, `Appr1`, `Cross`, `Start`, and `Stop`. Transitions are labeled with events like `appr!`, `leave!`, `go?`, and `stop?`, along with guards and resets.
- Simulation:** The top-right window shows a detailed simulation of the model. It includes a `Simulation Trace` window with a list of events such as `(Safe, Safe, Safe, Safe, -, Start)` and `(Train4.4.appr!, Gate.8.appr?)`. Below the trace are controls for `Prev`, `Next`, `Replay`, `Open`, `Save`, and `Random`. A `Trace File` field is also present.
- Verification:** The bottom window shows the verification results. The `Overview` section lists properties like `P11 Train2.Appr --> Train2.Cross` and `P15 A[] not deadlock`. The `Query` section shows the query `Train4.Appr --> Train4.Cross`. The bottom-most window displays the results of the verification, indicating that all properties are satisfied.

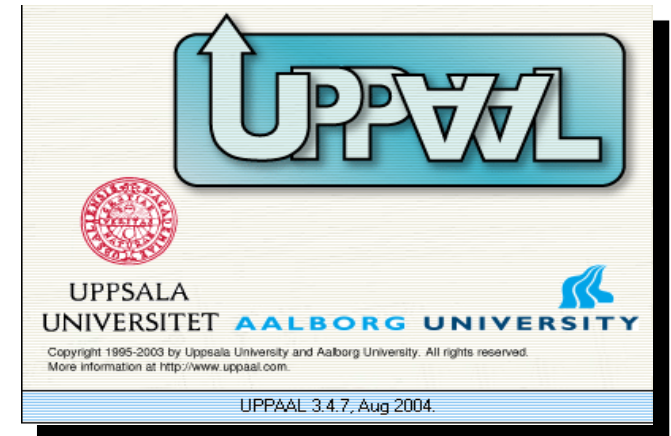
Architecture of UPPAAL



Linux, Windows, Solaris, MacOS

Inside the UPPAAL tool

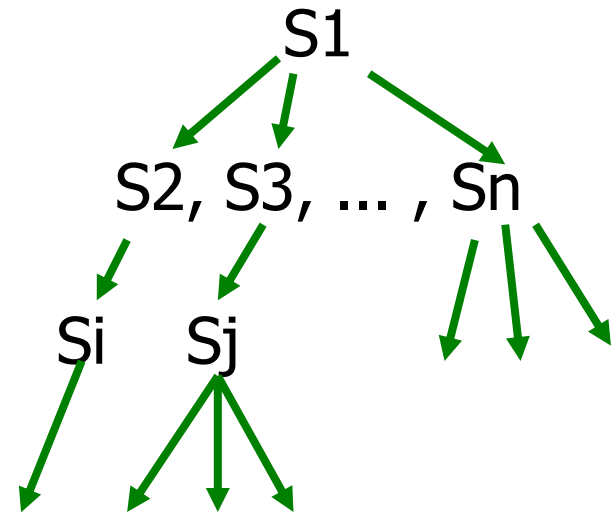
- Data Structures
 - DBM's (Difference Bounds Matrices)
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All Operations on Zones

(needed for verification)

- Transformation
 - Conjunction
 - Post condition (delay)
 - Reset
- Consistency Checking
 - Inclusion
 - Emptiness



Zones = Conjunctive constraints

- A zone Z is a conjunctive formula:
 $g_1 \ \& \ g_2 \ \& \ \dots \ \& \ g_n$
where g_i may be $x_i \sim b_i$ or $x_i - x_j \sim b_{ij}$
- Use a zero-clock x_0 (constant 0), we have
 $\{x_i - x_j \sim b_{ij} \mid \sim \text{ is } < \text{ or } \leq, i, j \leq n\}$
- This can be represented as a MATRIX, DBM
(Difference Bound Matrices)

Datastructures for Zones in UPPAAL

- **Difference Bounded Matrices**

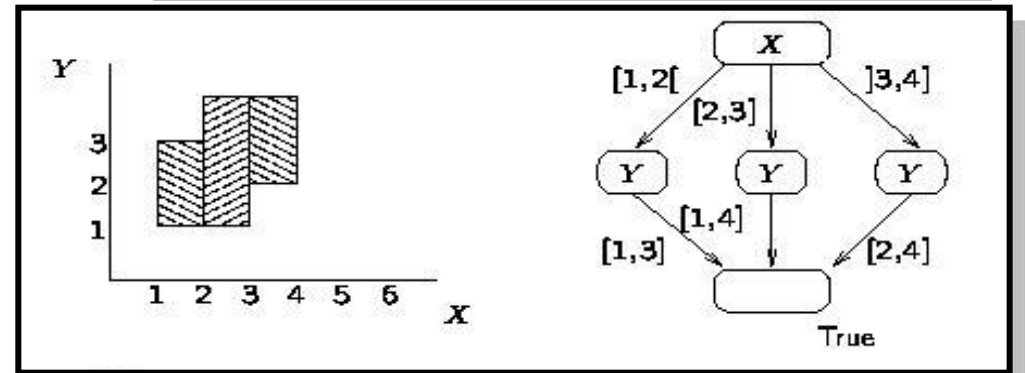
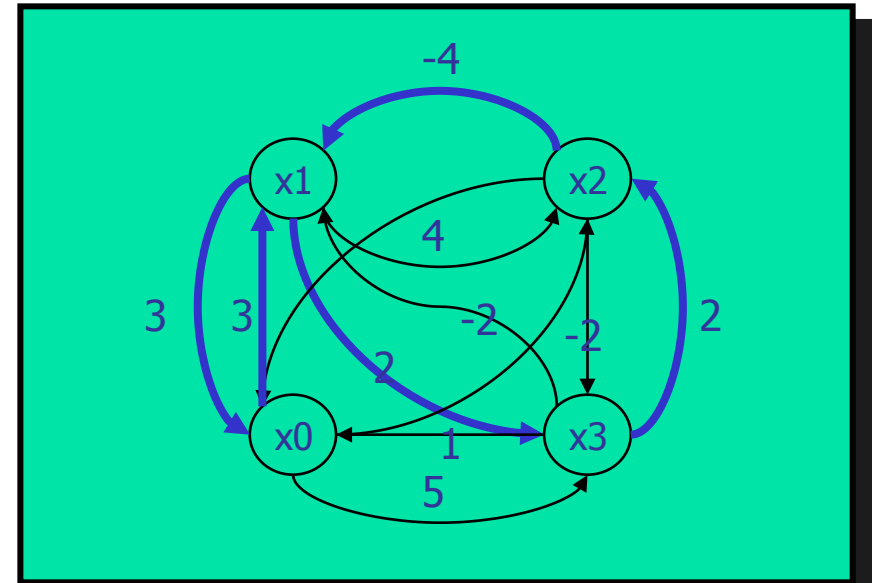
[Bellman58, Dill89]

- **Minimal Constraint Form**

[RTSS97]

- **Clock Difference Diagrams**

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Canonical Datastructures for Zones

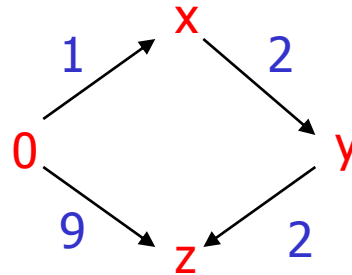
Difference Bounded Matrices Bellman 1958, Dill 1989

Inclusion

Z1

$x \leq 1$
 $y - x \leq 2$
 $z - y \leq 2$
 $z \leq 9$

Graph

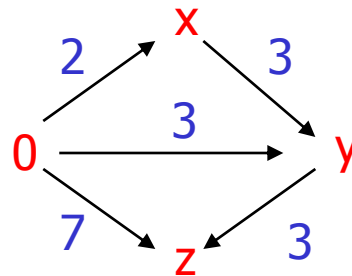


? \subseteq ?

Z2

$x \leq 2$
 $y - x \leq 3$
 $y \leq 3$
 $z - y \leq 3$
 $z \leq 7$

Graph



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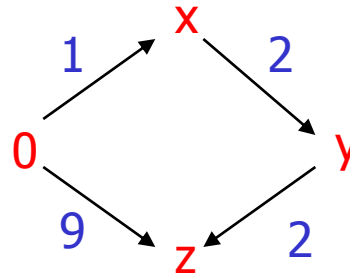
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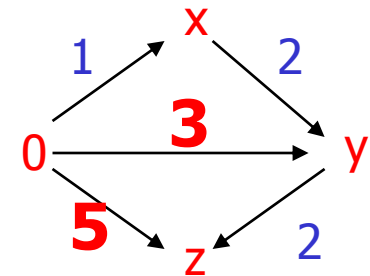
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Shortest
Path
Closure



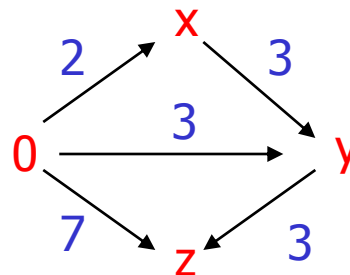
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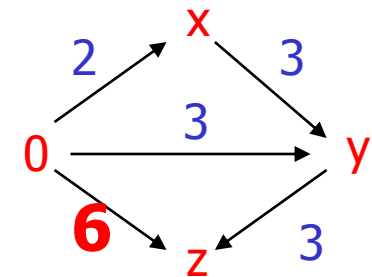
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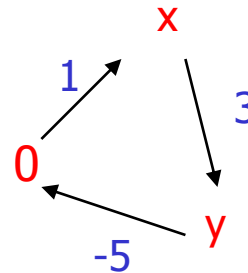
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Emptiness

Z

$$\begin{array}{l} x \leq 1 \\ y \geq 5 \\ y - x \leq 3 \end{array}$$

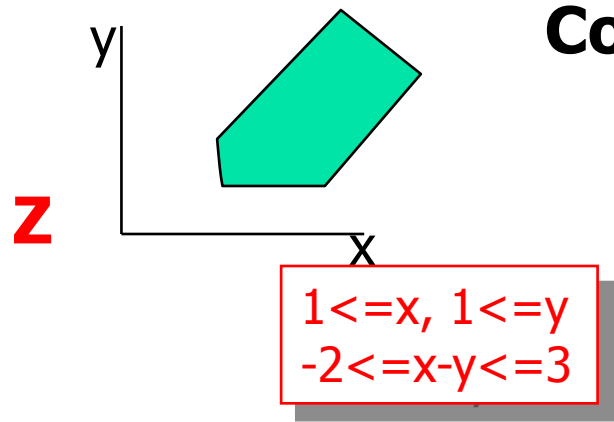
Graph



Negative Cycle
iff
empty solution set

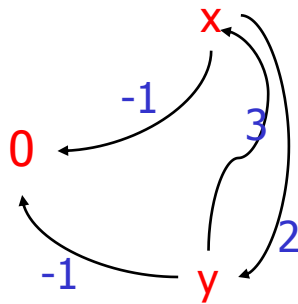
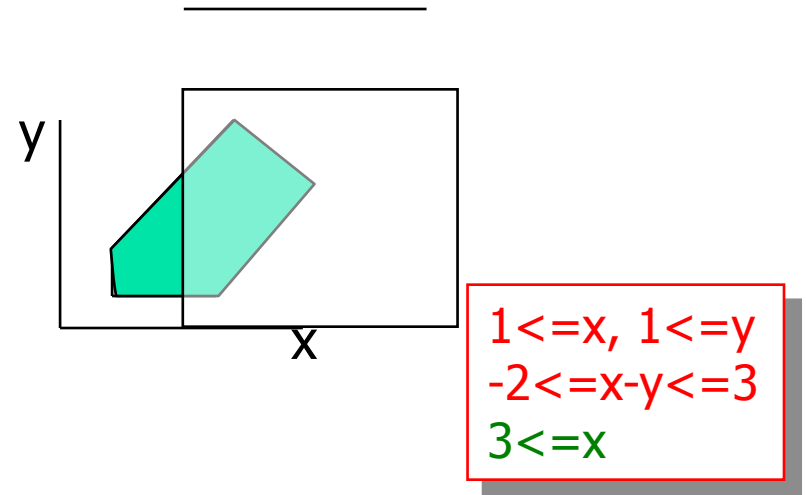
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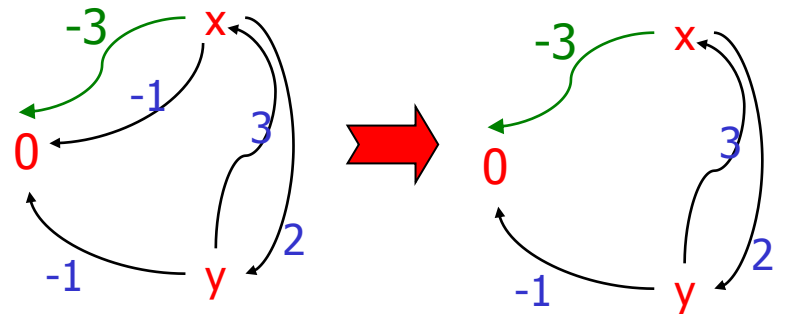


Conjunction

Z \wedge g



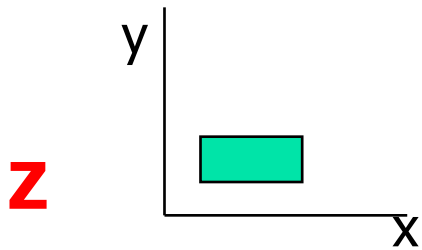
Add new edge
for g



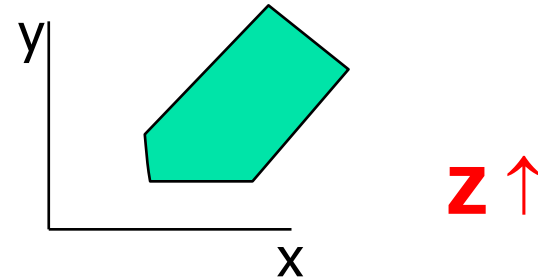
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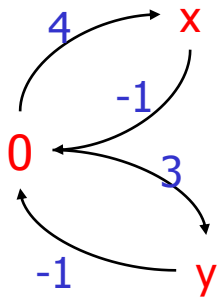
Delay



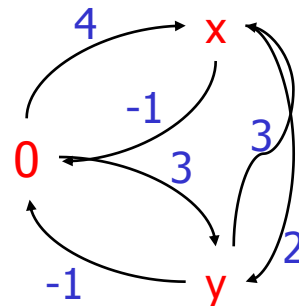
$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\leq x \leq 4 \\ 1 &\leq y \leq 3 \end{aligned}$$



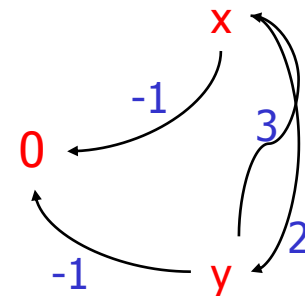
$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\leq x, 1 \leq y \\ -2 &\leq x - y \leq 3 \end{aligned}$$



Shortest
Path
Closure

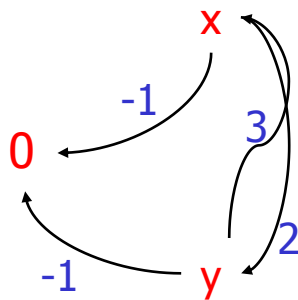
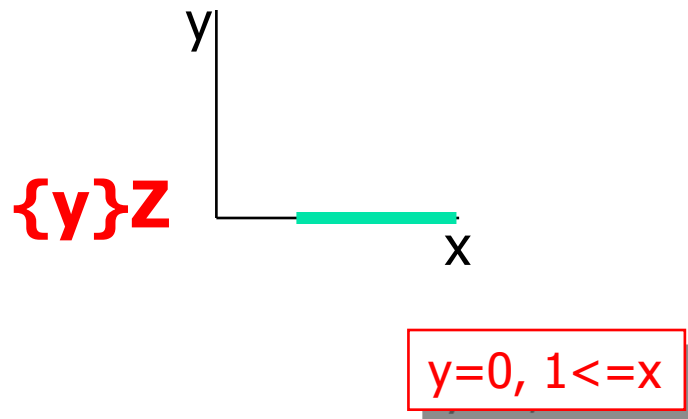
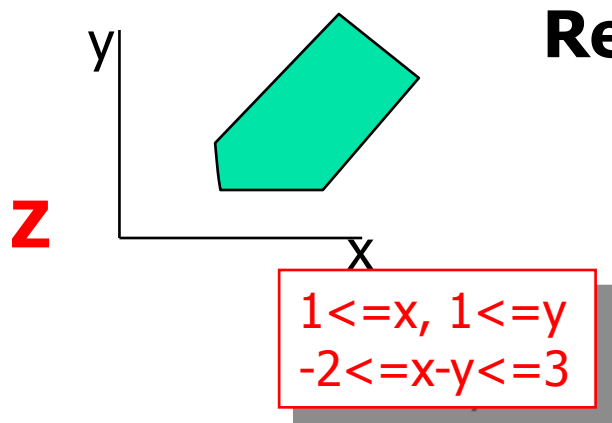


Remove
upper
bounds
on clocks

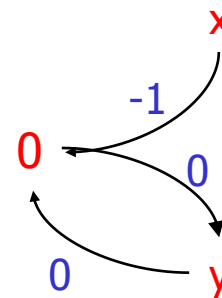


Canonical Datastructures for Zones

Difference Bounded Matrices



Remove all bounds involving y and set y to 0

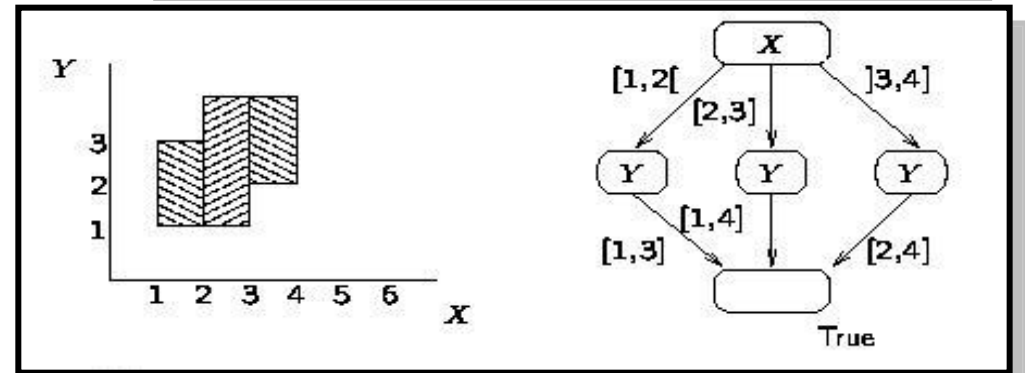
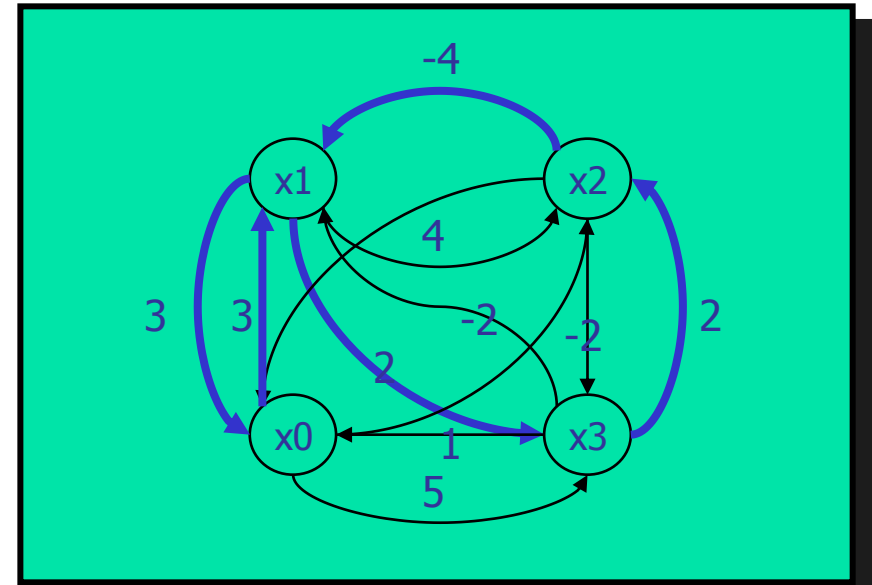


COMPLEXITY

- Computing the shortest path closure, the canonical form of a zone: $O(n^3)$ [Dijkstra's alg.]
- Run-time complexity, mostly in $O(n)$
(when we keep all zones in canonical form)

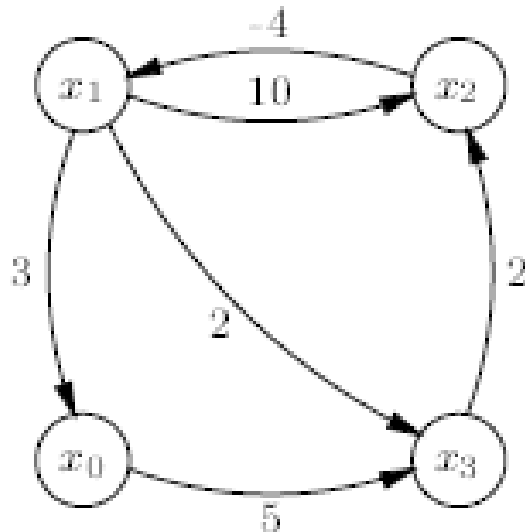
Datastructures for Zones in UPPAAL

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[Bellman58, Dill89]
- **Minimal Constraint Form**
[RTSS97]
- **Clock Difference Diagrams**
[CAV99]

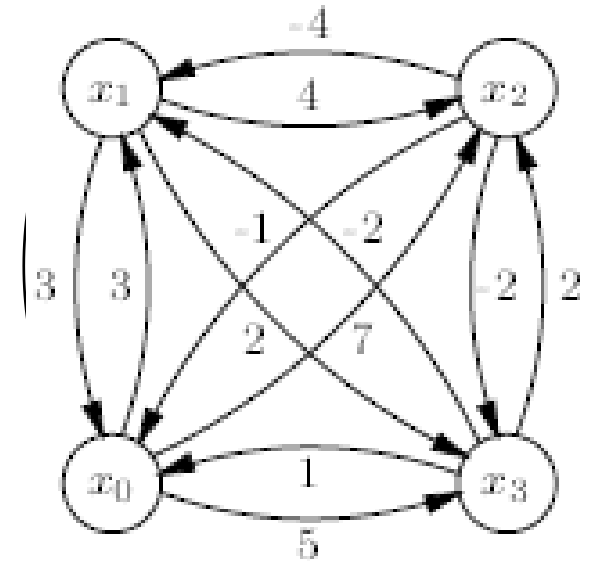


Minimal Graph

$x_1 - x_2 \leq -4$
 $x_2 - x_1 \leq 10$
 $x_3 - x_1 \leq 2$
 $x_2 - x_3 \leq 2$
 $x_0 - x_1 \leq 3$
 $x_3 - x_0 \leq 5$



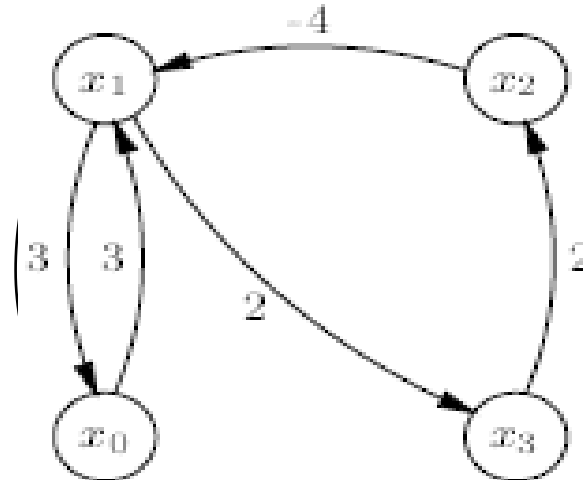
**Shortest
 Path
 Closure
 $O(n^3)$**



(DBM)

Space worst $O(n^2)$
 practice $O(n)$

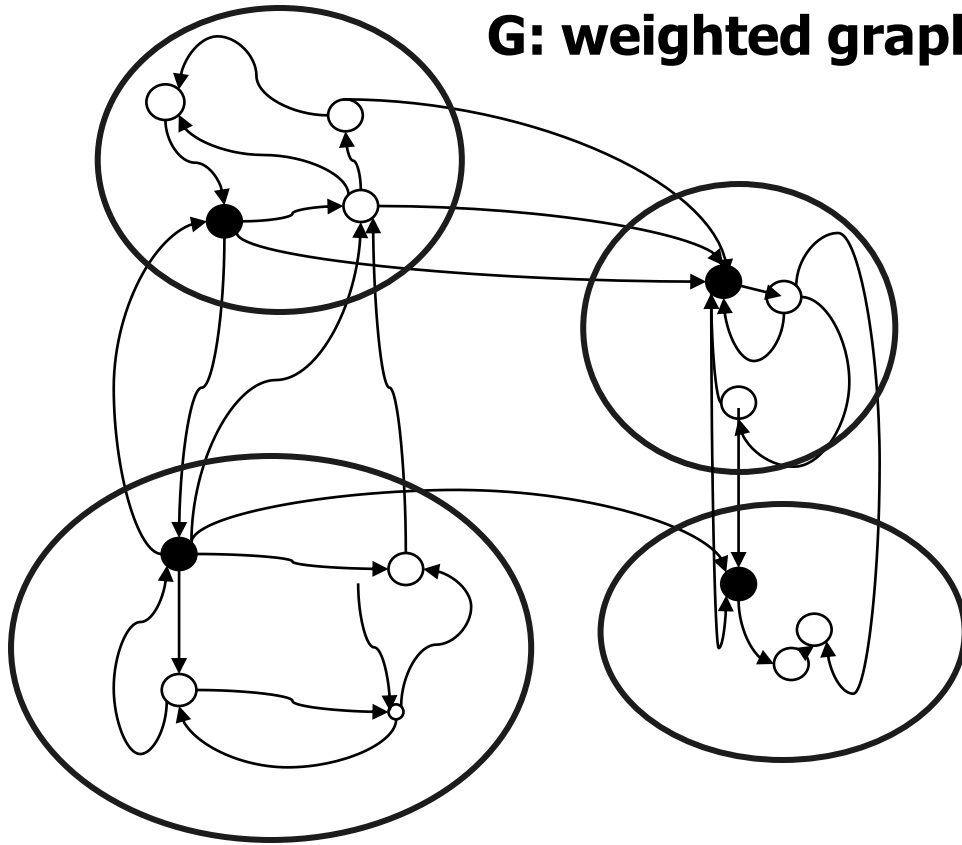
**Shortest
 Path
 Reduction
 $O(n^3)$**



(Minimal graph, a.k.a. compact data structure)

Graph Reduction Algorithm

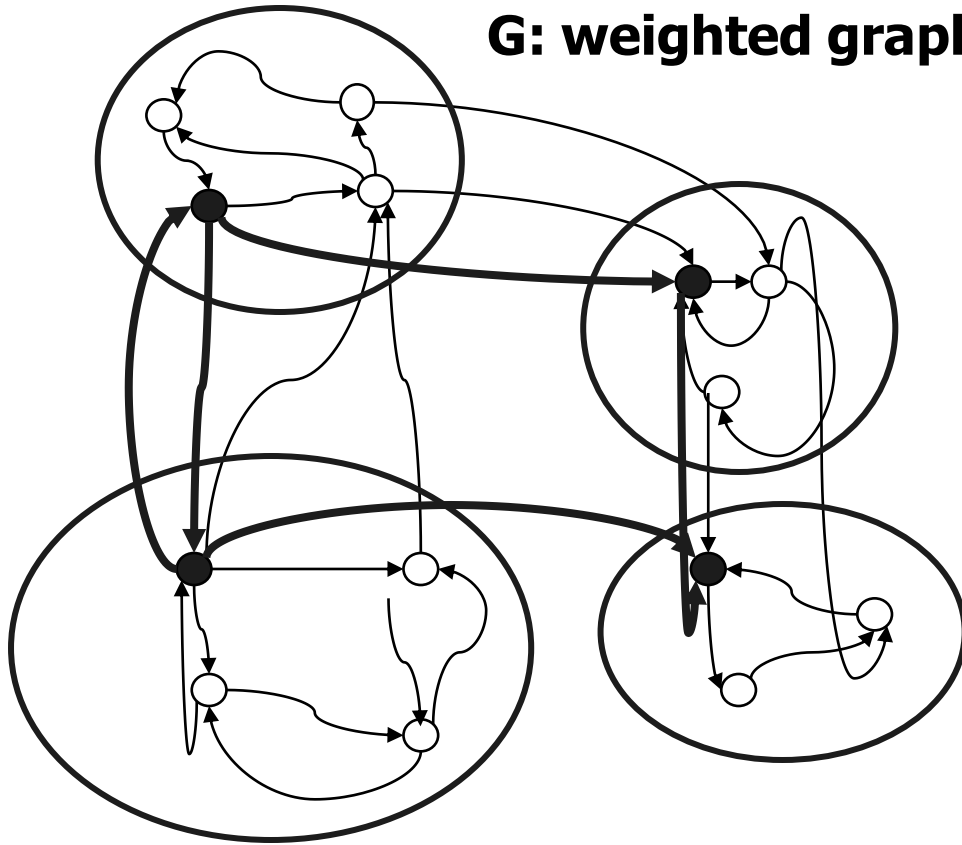
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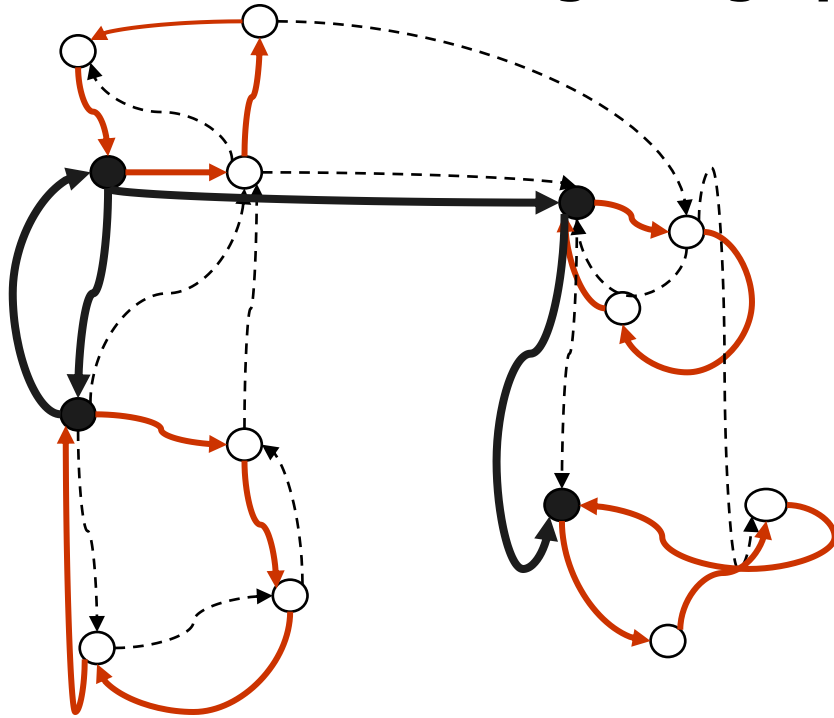
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3. **Shortest Path Reduction**
=
One cycle pr. class
+
Removal of redundant edges
between classes

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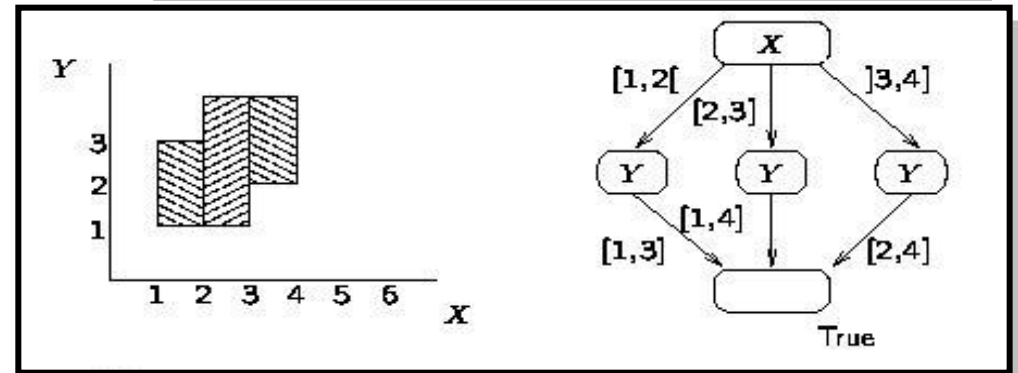
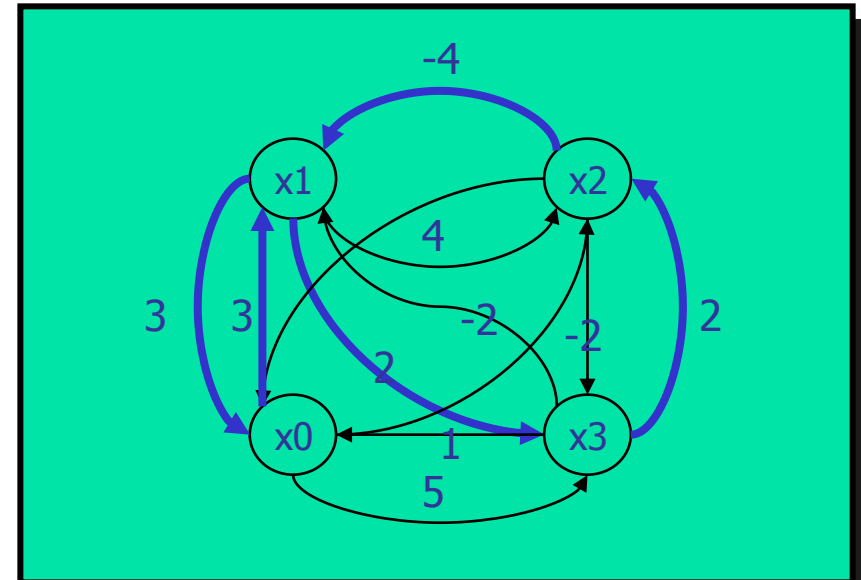
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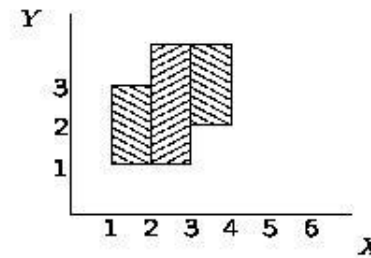
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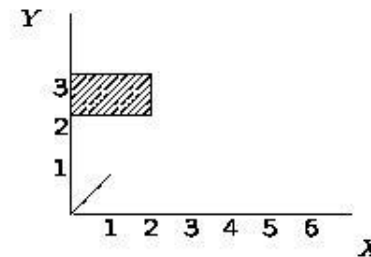
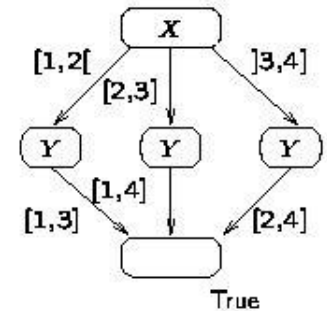
Other Symbolic Datastructures

- NDD's Maler et. al.
- CDD's UPPAAL/CAV99
- DDD's Møller, Lichtenberg
- Polyhedra HyTech
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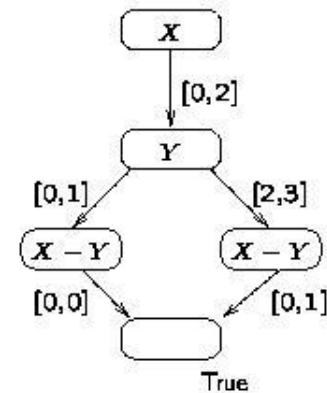
CDD-representations



(b)



(c)



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Timed CTL in UPPAAL

$E\langle\rangle p \mid A[] p \mid E[] p \mid A\langle\rangle p \mid p \dashrightarrow q$

$P ::= A.l \mid g_c \mid g_d \mid \text{not } p \mid p \text{ or } p \mid p \text{ and } p \mid p \text{ imply } p$

*Process
Location
(a location in
automaton A)*

*Clock
constraint*

*predicate
over data variables*

*denotes
 $A[] (p \text{ imply } A\langle\rangle q)$*

SAFETY PROPERTIES

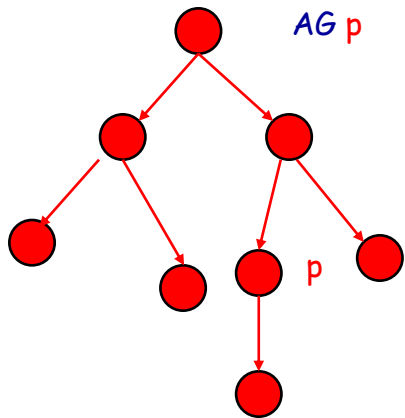
Timed CTL (a simplified version)

Syntax

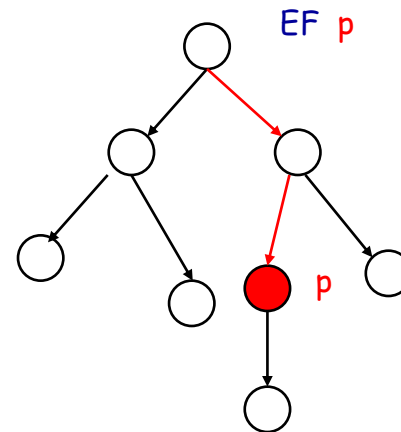
$\phi ::= p \mid \neg \phi \mid \phi \vee \phi \mid EX \phi \mid E[\phi U \phi] \mid A[\phi U \phi]$

where $p \in AP$ (atomic propositions) **or Clock constraint**

Derived Operators

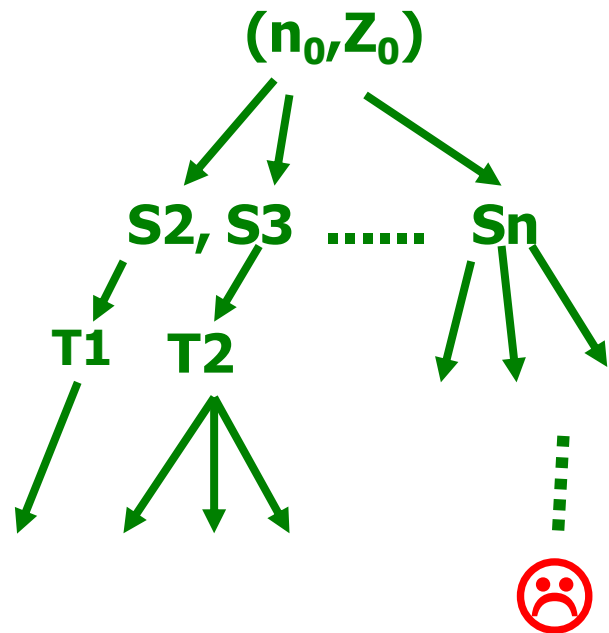


$A[\]P$ in UPPAAL



$E\langle \rangle P$ in UPPAAL

We have a search problem



Symbolic state

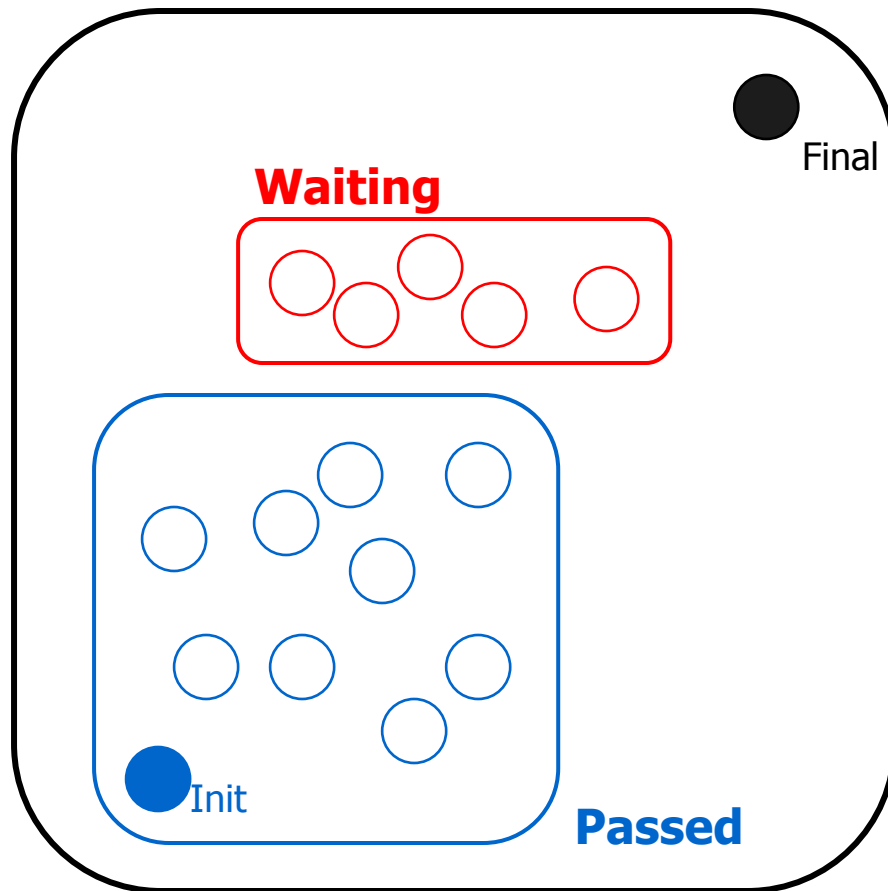
Symbolic transitions

Reachable?

$E \leftrightarrow$

Forward Reachability

Init -> **Final** ?



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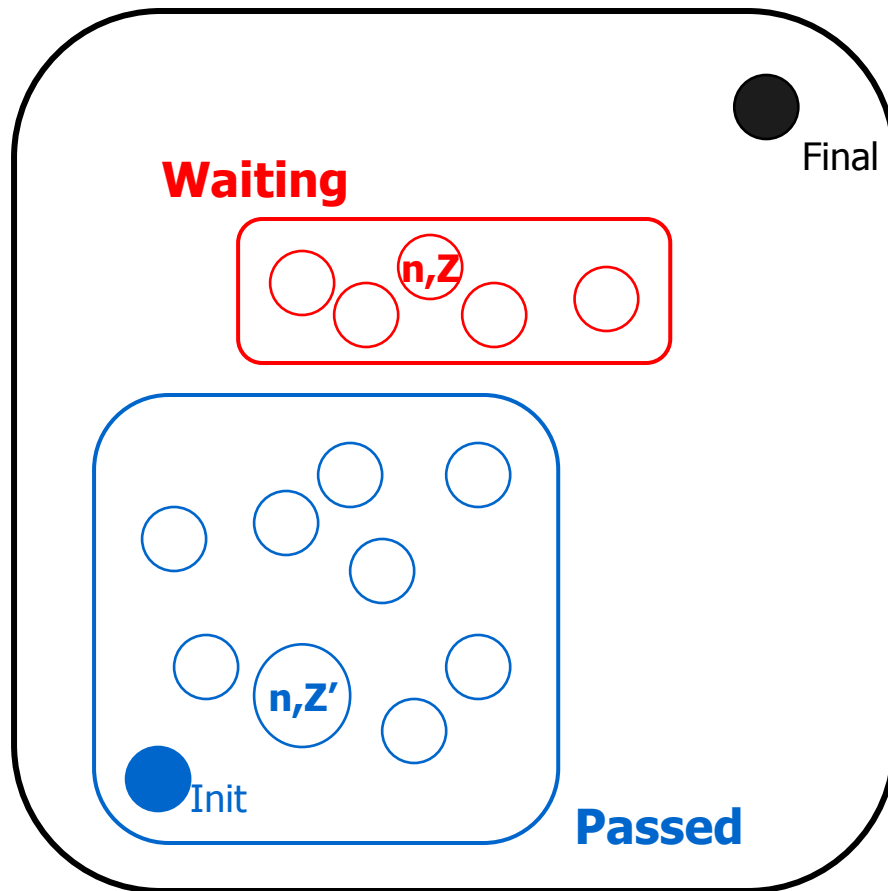
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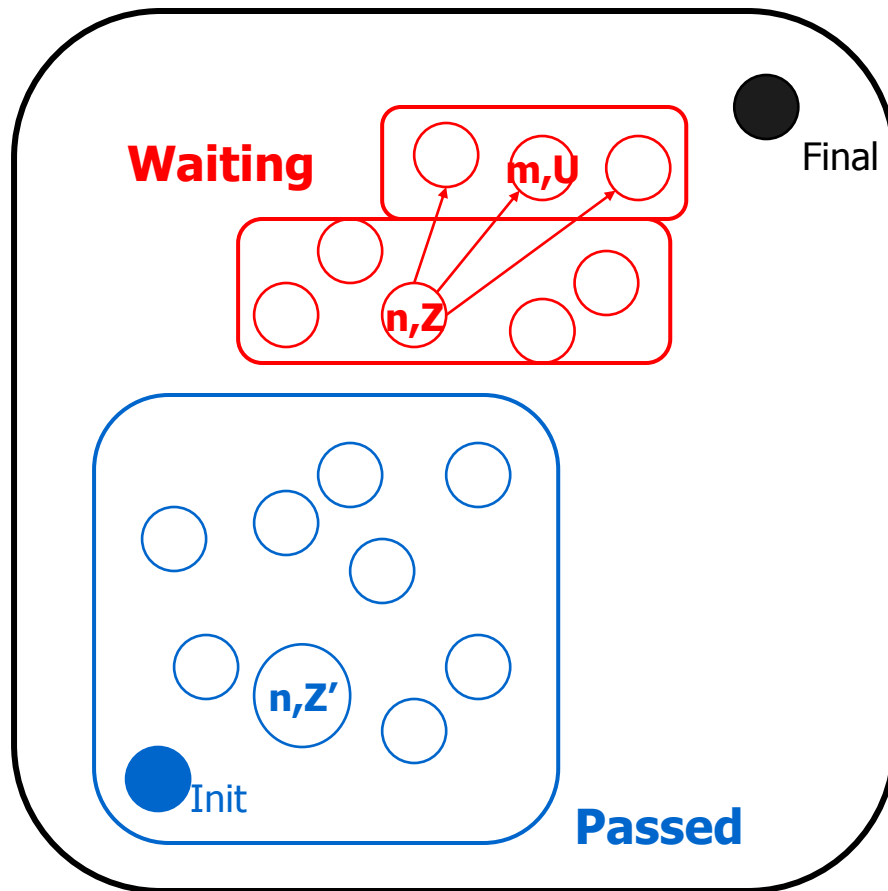
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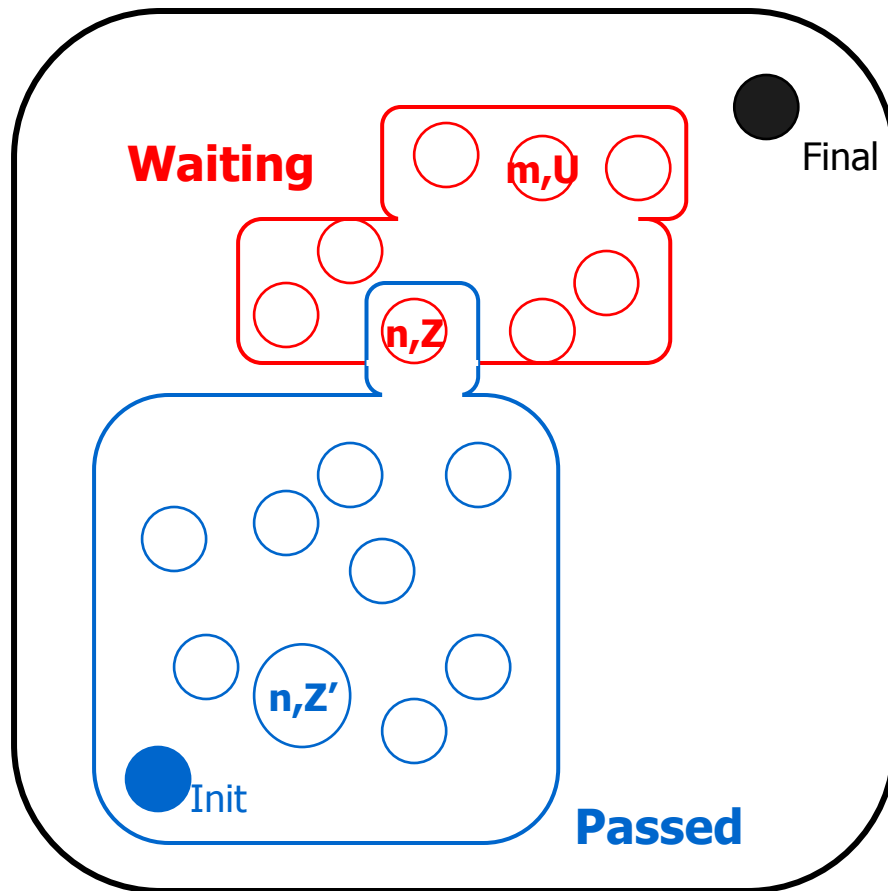
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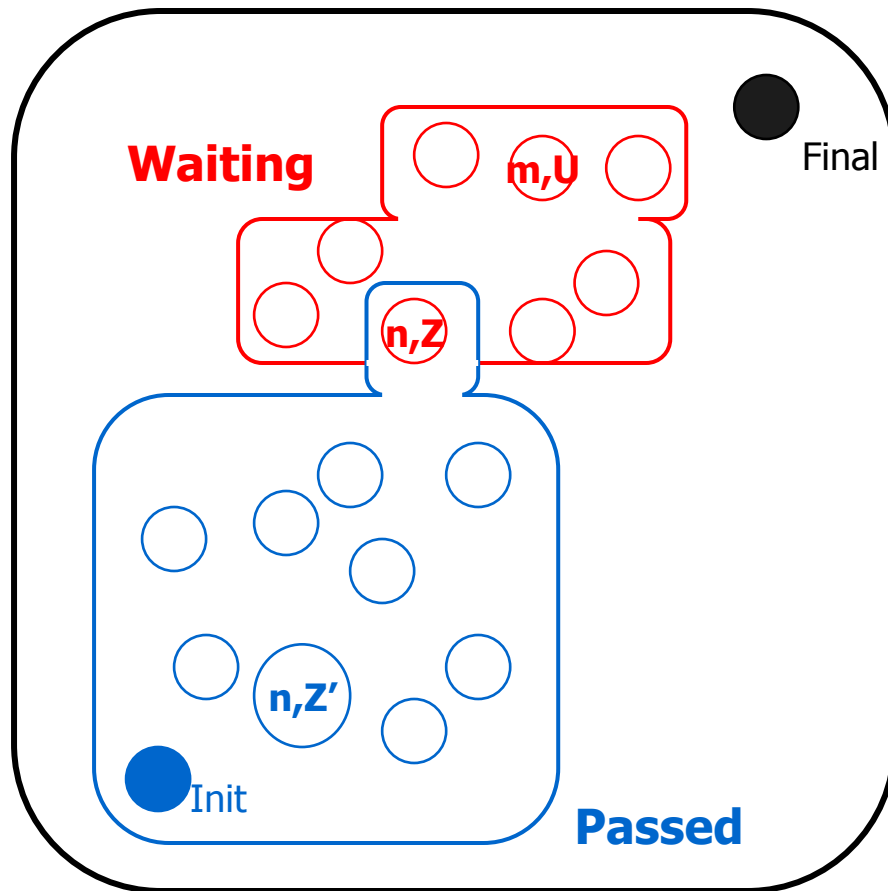
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Further question

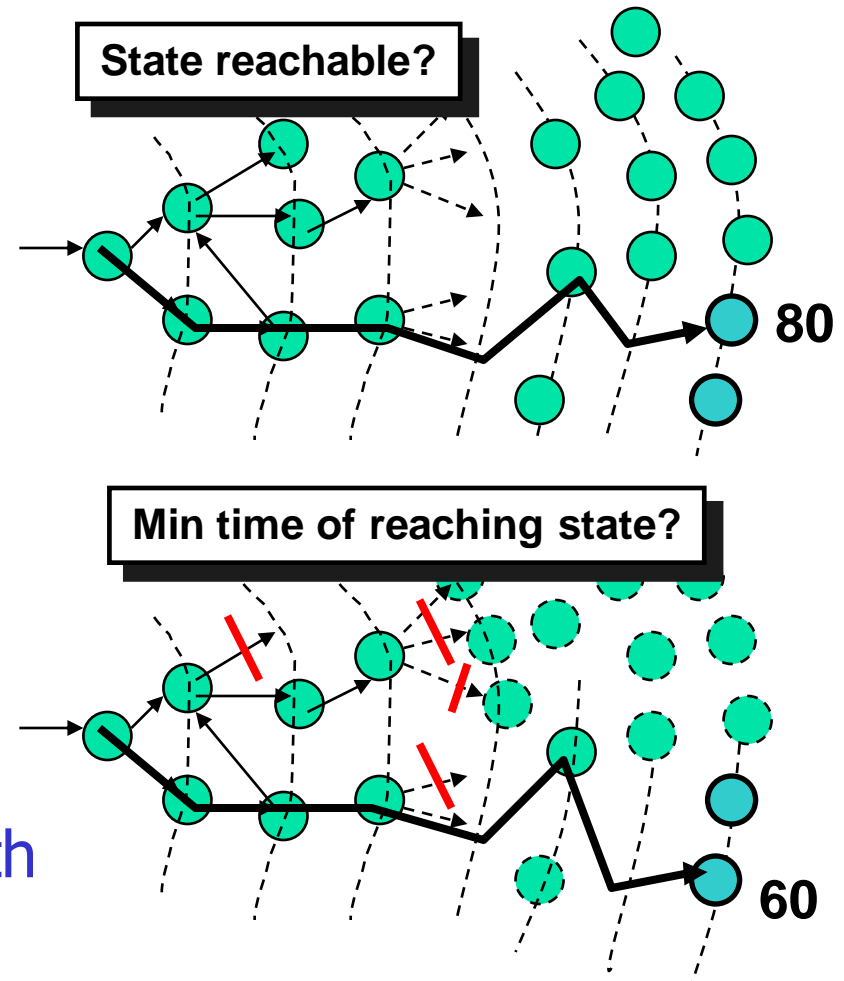
Can we find the path with **shortest delay**, leading to P ?
(i.e. a state satisfying P)

OBSERVATION:

Many scheduling problems can be phrased naturally as reachability problems for timed automata.

Verification vs. Optimization

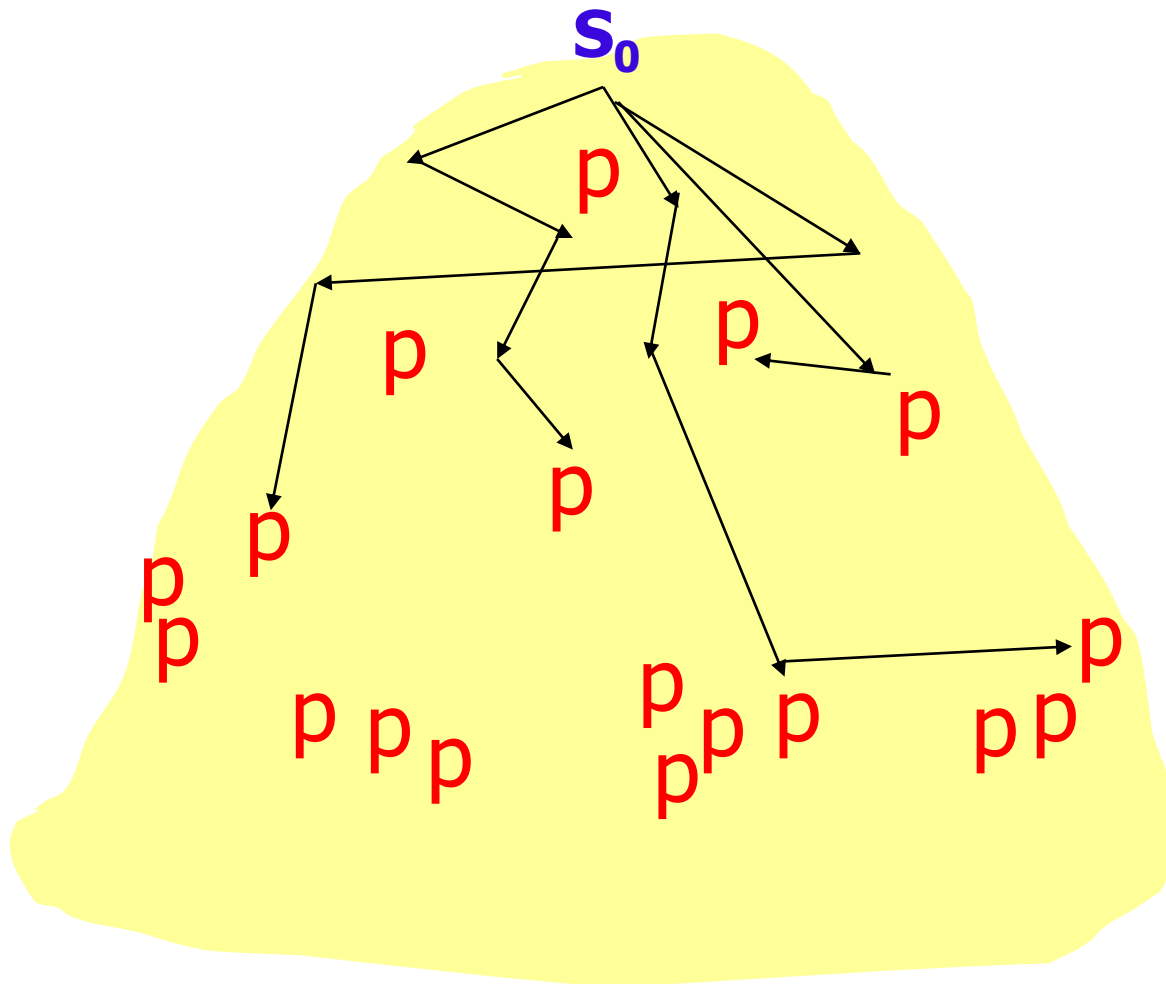
- **Verification Algorithms:**
 - Checks a logical property of the entire state-space of a model.
 - Efficient Blind search.
- **Optimization Algorithms:**
 - Finds (near) optimal solutions.
 - Uses techniques to avoid non-optimal parts of the state-space (e.g. Branch and Bound).
- **Goal:** solve opt. problems with verification.



OPTIMAL REACHABILITY

The maximal and minimal delay problem

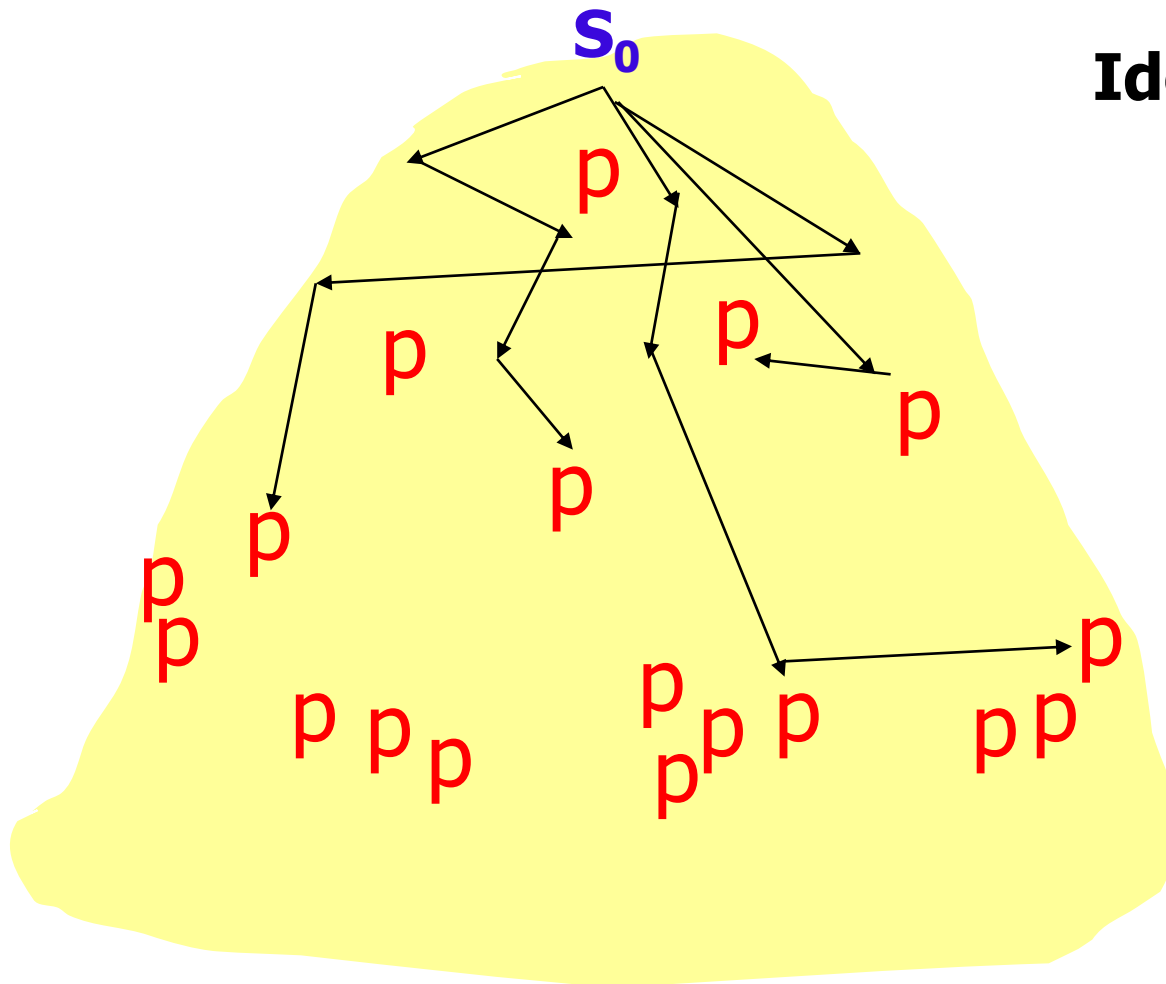
Find the trace leading to P with **min** delay



There may be a lot of paths leading to P

Which one with the shortest delay?

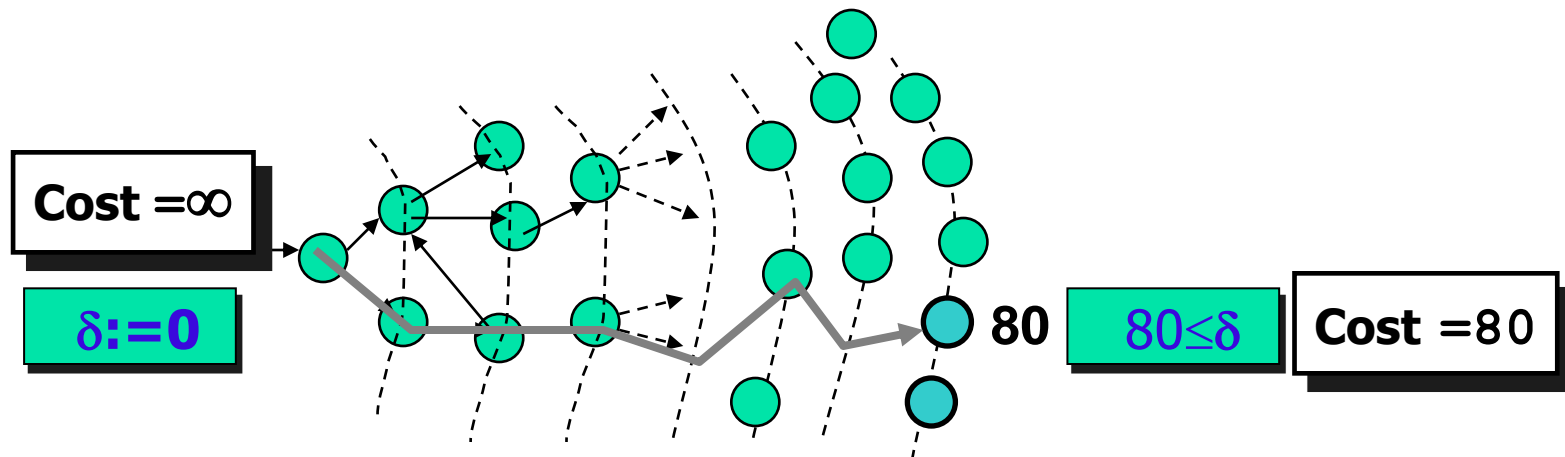
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Idea: delay as "**Cost**" to reach a state, thus **cost** increases with time at rate 1

An Simple Algorithm for minimal-cost reachability

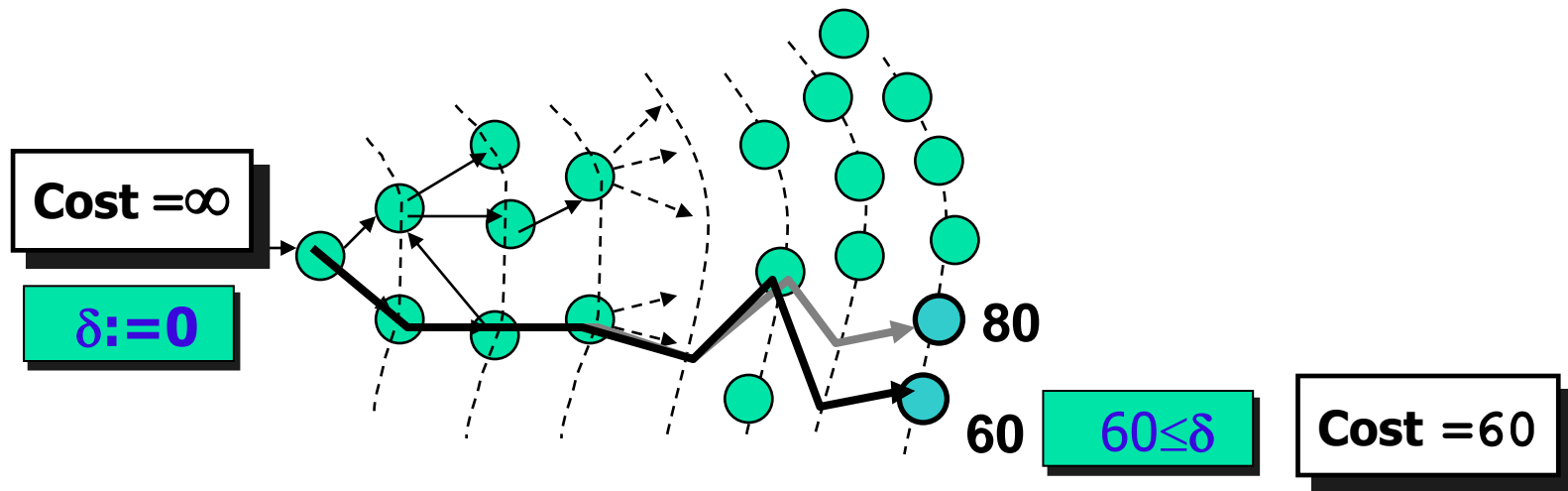
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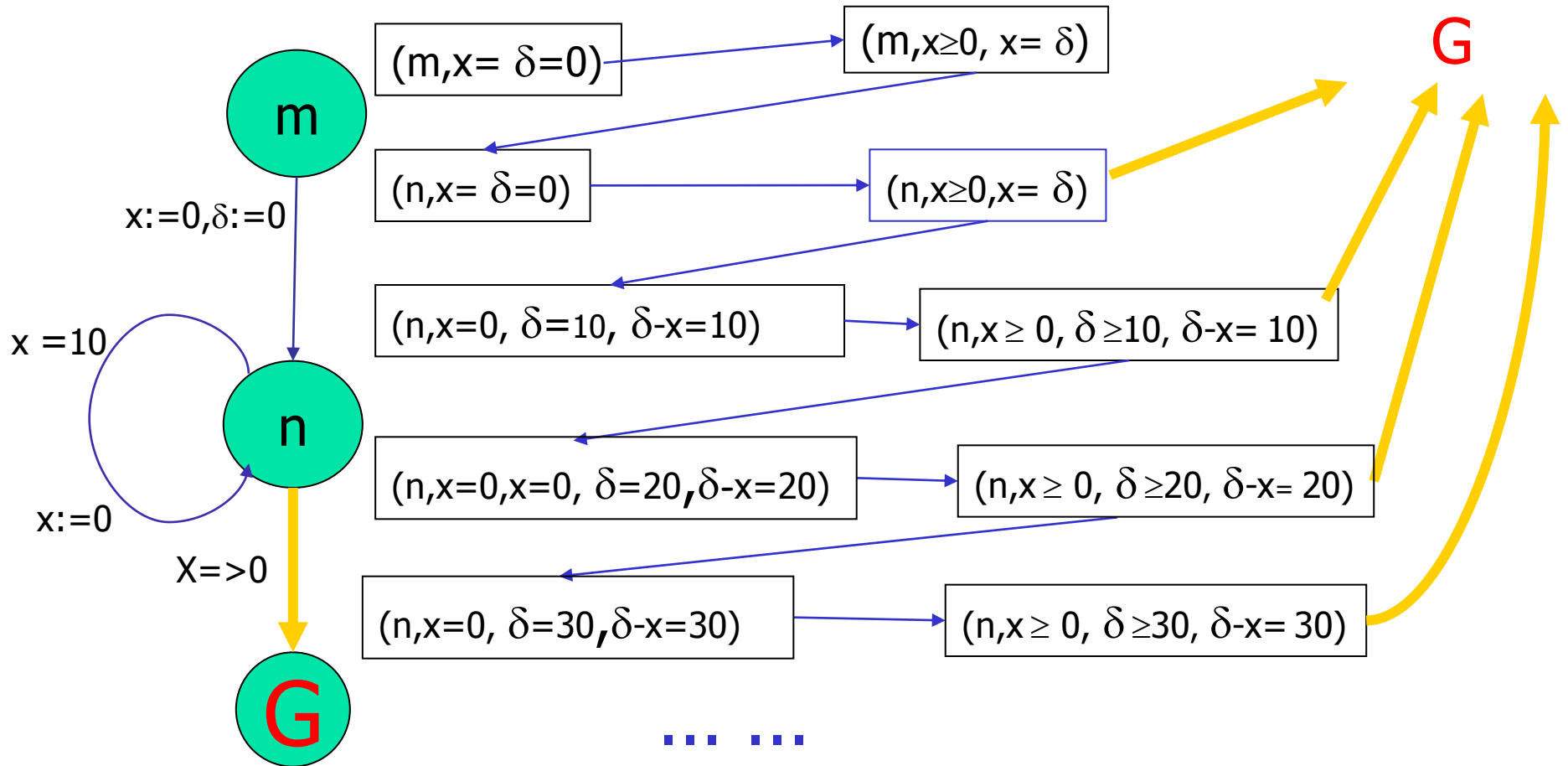
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Example (min delay to reach G)



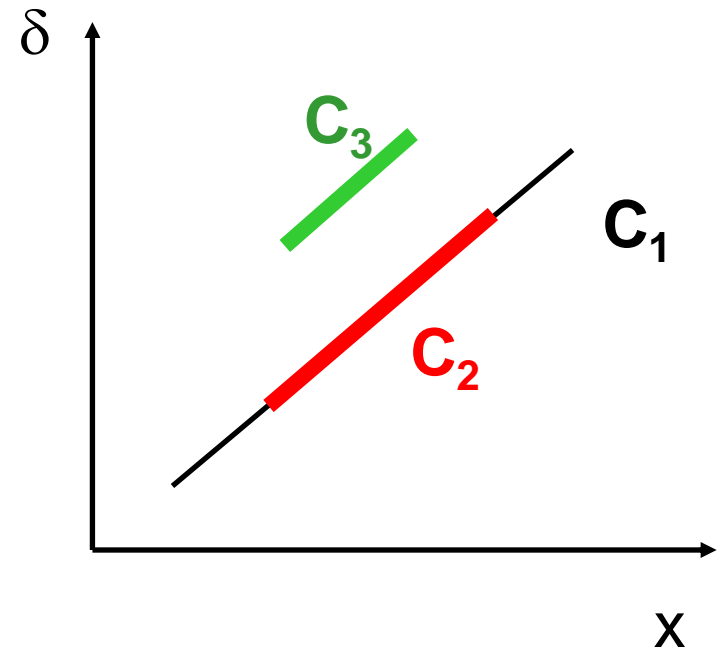
The minimal **delay** = 0 but the search may never terminate!
Problem: How to **symbolically** represent the zone **C**.

Priced-Zone

- Cost = minimal total time
- **C** can be represented as the zone Z^δ , where:
 - Z^δ original (ordinary) DBM plus...
 - δ clock keeping track of the cost/time.
- Delay, Reset, Conjunction etc. on Z are the standard DBM-operations
- Delay-Cost is incremented by Delay-operation on Z^δ .

Priced-Zone

- Cost = min total time
- \mathbf{C} can be represented as the zone Z^δ , where:
 - Z^δ is the original zone Z extended with the global clock δ keeping track of the cost/time.
 - Delay, Reset, Conjunction etc. on \mathbf{C} are the standard DBM-operations
- But inclusion-checking will be different



Then: $\mathbf{C}_3 \sqsubseteq \mathbf{C}_2 \sqsubseteq \mathbf{C}_1$

But: $\mathbf{C}_3 \not\sqsubseteq \mathbf{C}_2 \sqsubseteq \mathbf{C}_1$

Solution: $()^\dagger$ -widening operation

- $()^\dagger$ removes upper bound on the δ -clock:

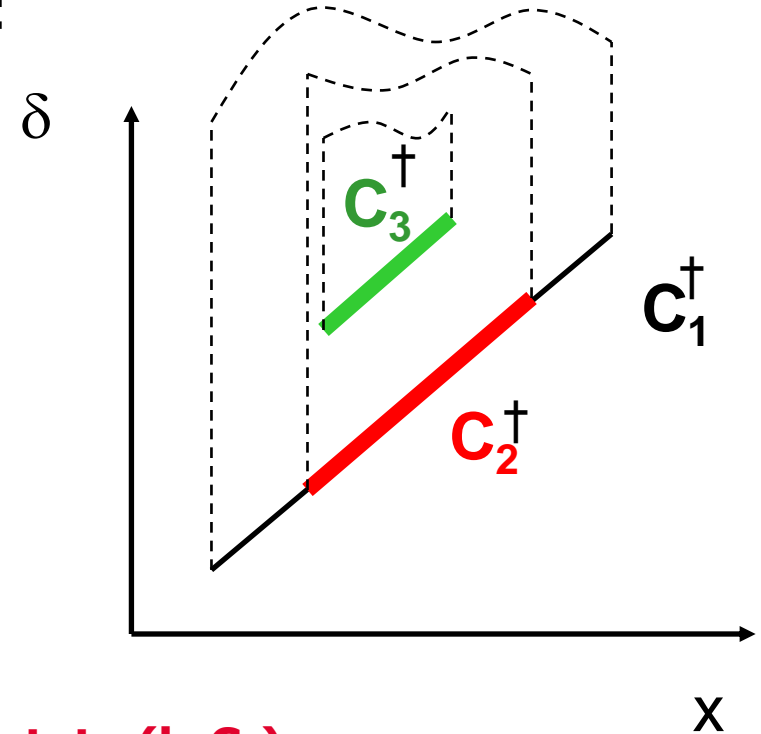
$$\mathbf{C}_3 \sqsubseteq \mathbf{C}_2 \sqsubseteq \mathbf{C}_1$$

$$\mathbf{C}_3^\dagger \sqsubseteq \mathbf{C}_2^\dagger \sqsubseteq \mathbf{C}_1^\dagger$$

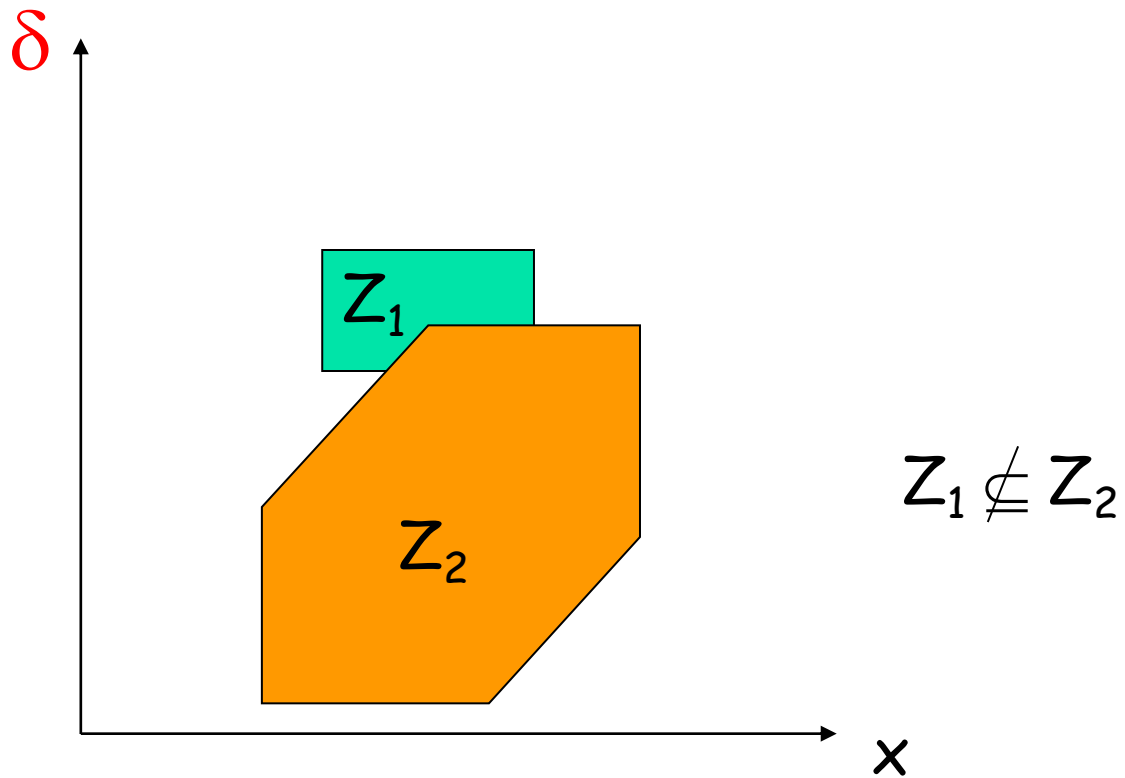
- In the Algorithm:

- $\text{Delay}(C^\dagger) = (\text{Delay}(C^\dagger))^\dagger$
- $\text{Reset}(x, C^\dagger) = (\text{Reset}(x, C^\dagger))^\dagger$
- $C_1^\dagger \wedge g = (C_1^\dagger \wedge g)^\dagger$

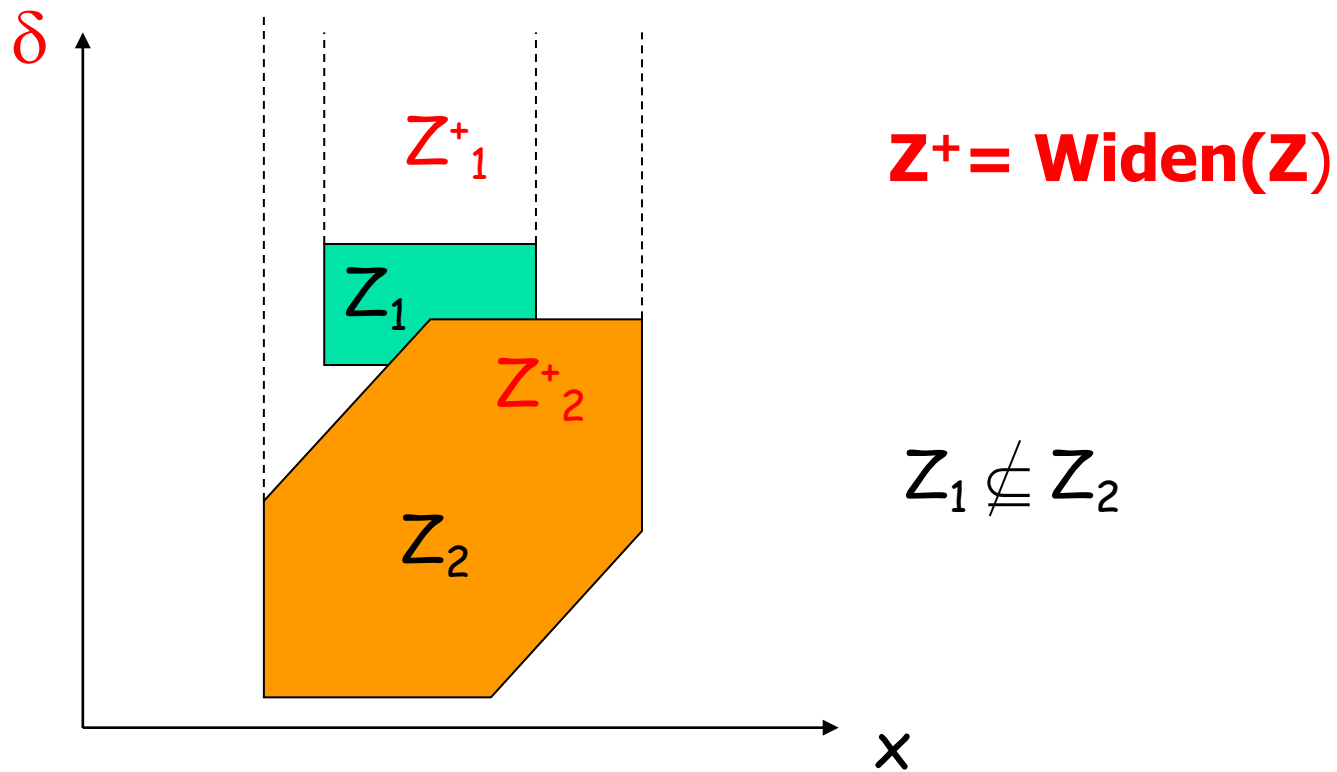
- **It suffices to apply $()^\dagger$ to the initial state (I_0, C_0) .**



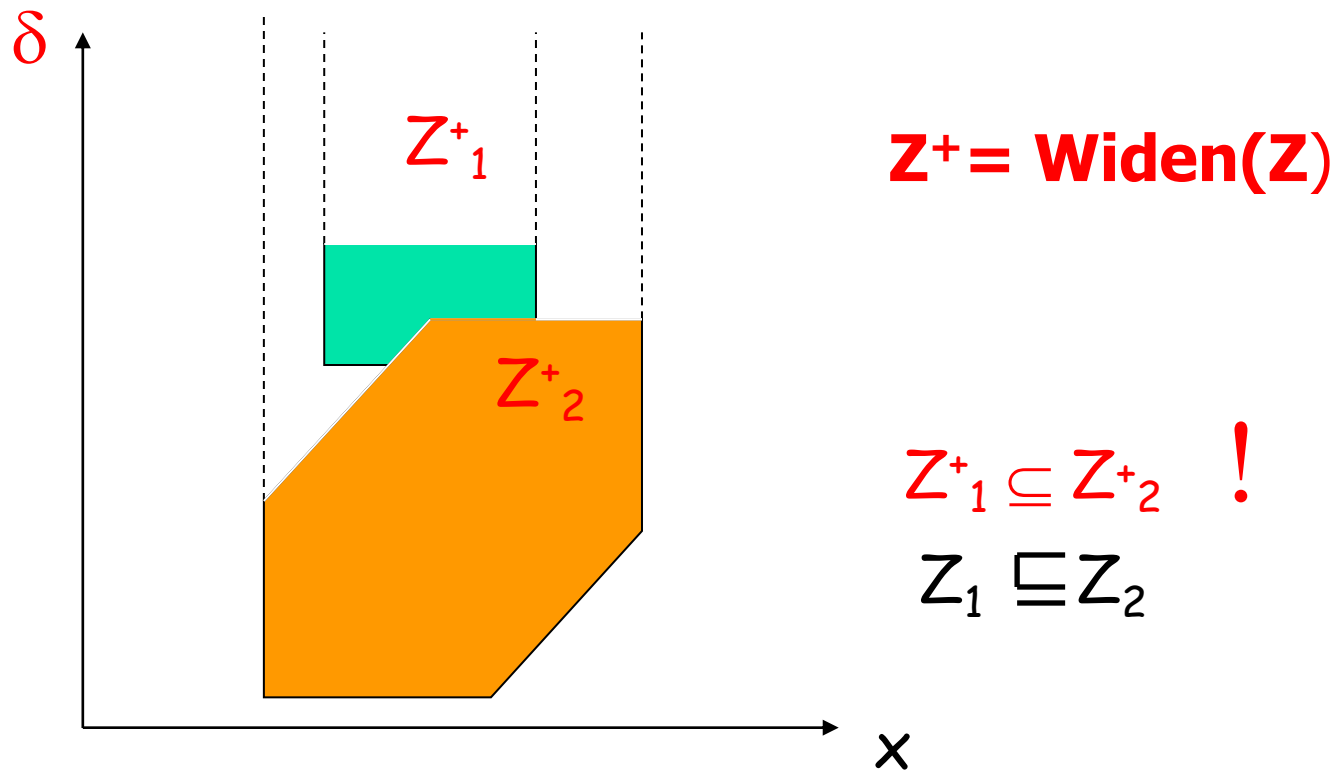
Example (widening for Min)



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An Algorithm (Min)

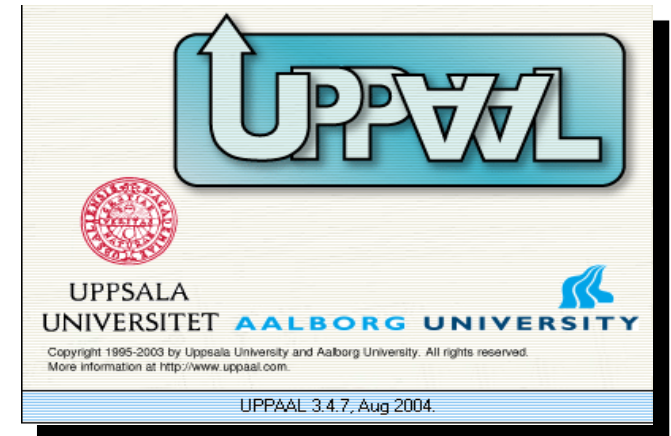
```
Cost:=∞, Pass := {}, Wait := {(l0,C0)}  
while Wait ≠ {} do  
  select (l,C) from Wait  
  if (l,C) ⊨ P and Min(C)<Cost then Cost:= Min(C)  
  if (l,C) ⊑ (l,C') for some (l,C') in Pass then skip  
  otherwise add (l,C) to Pass  
  and forall (m,C') such that (l,C) → (m,C') :  
    add (m,C') to Wait  
Return Cost
```

One-step reachability relation

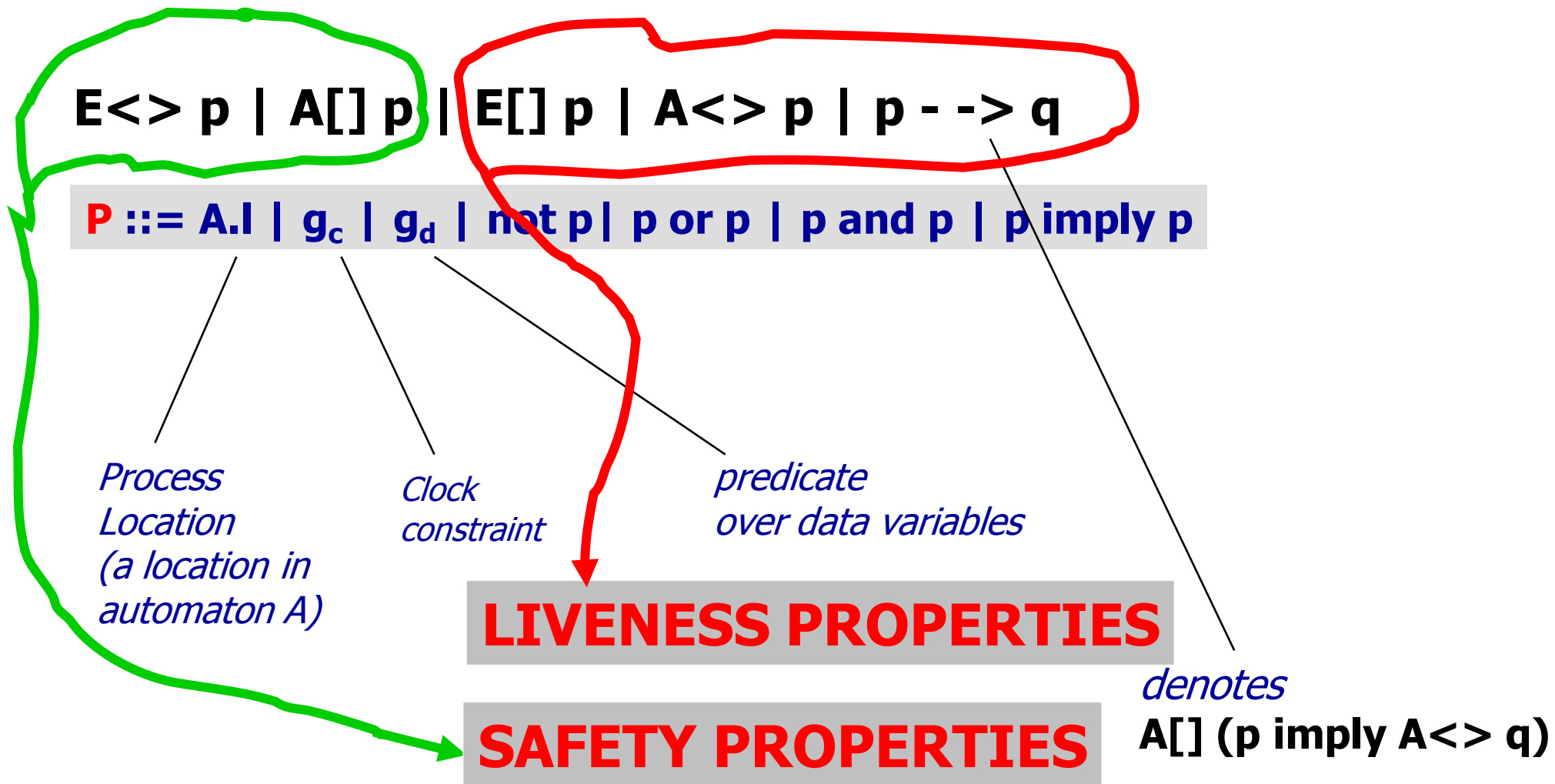
Output: Cost = the min cost of a found trace satisfying P.

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Timed CTL in UPPAAL



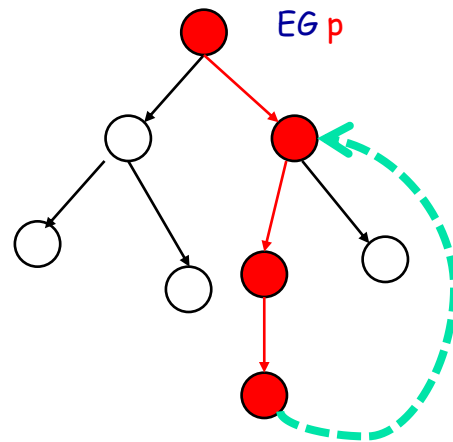
Timed CTL (a simplified version)

Syntax

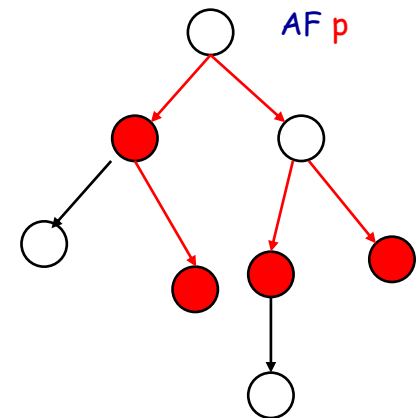
$\phi ::= p \mid \neg \phi \mid \phi \vee \phi \mid EX \phi \mid E[\phi U \phi] \mid A[\phi U \phi]$

where $p \in AP$ (atomic propositions) **or** Clock constraint

Derived Operators

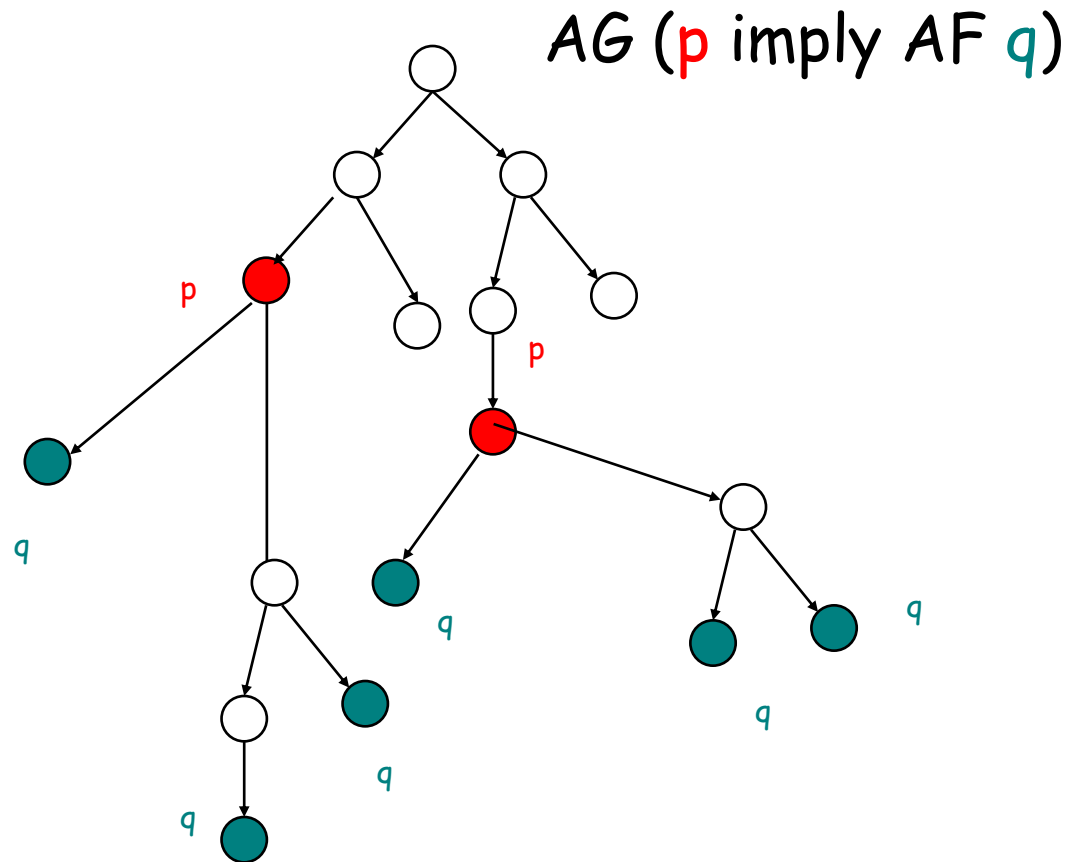


$E [] P$ in UPPAAL



$A \langle \rangle P$ in UPPAAL

Derived Operators (cont.)

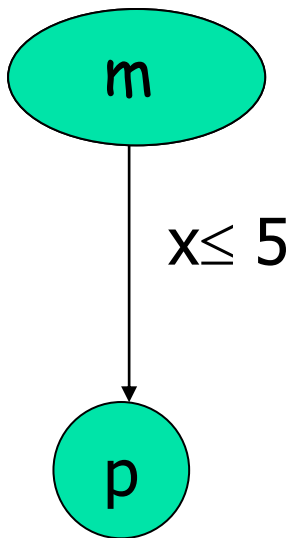


$p \text{ --> } q \text{ in UPPAAL}$

Question

$A \langle \rangle P$

"P will be *true for sure* in future"

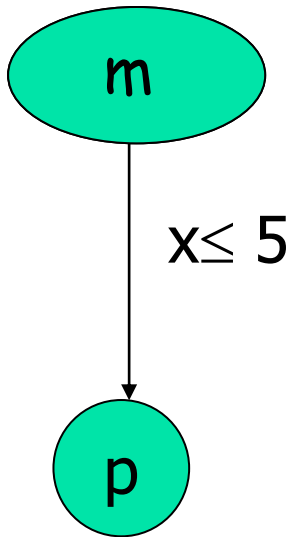


?? Does this automaton satisfy $AF P$

Note that

$A \langle \rangle P$

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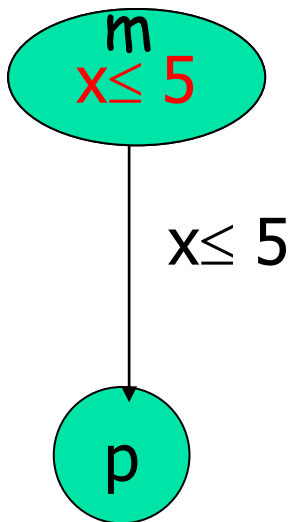


NO !!!!! there is a path:
 $(m, x=0) \rightarrow (m, x=1) \rightarrow (m, 2) \dots (m, x=k) \dots$
Idling forever in location m

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"P will be true for sure in future"



This automaton satisfies $AF P$

Algorithm for checking $A \leftrightarrow P$ **Eventually P**

Bouajjani, Tripakis, Yovine'97
On-the-fly symbolic model checking of TCTL

**There is no cycle containing
only states where p is false: $\text{not } E [] (\text{not } p)$**

Question: Time bound synthesis

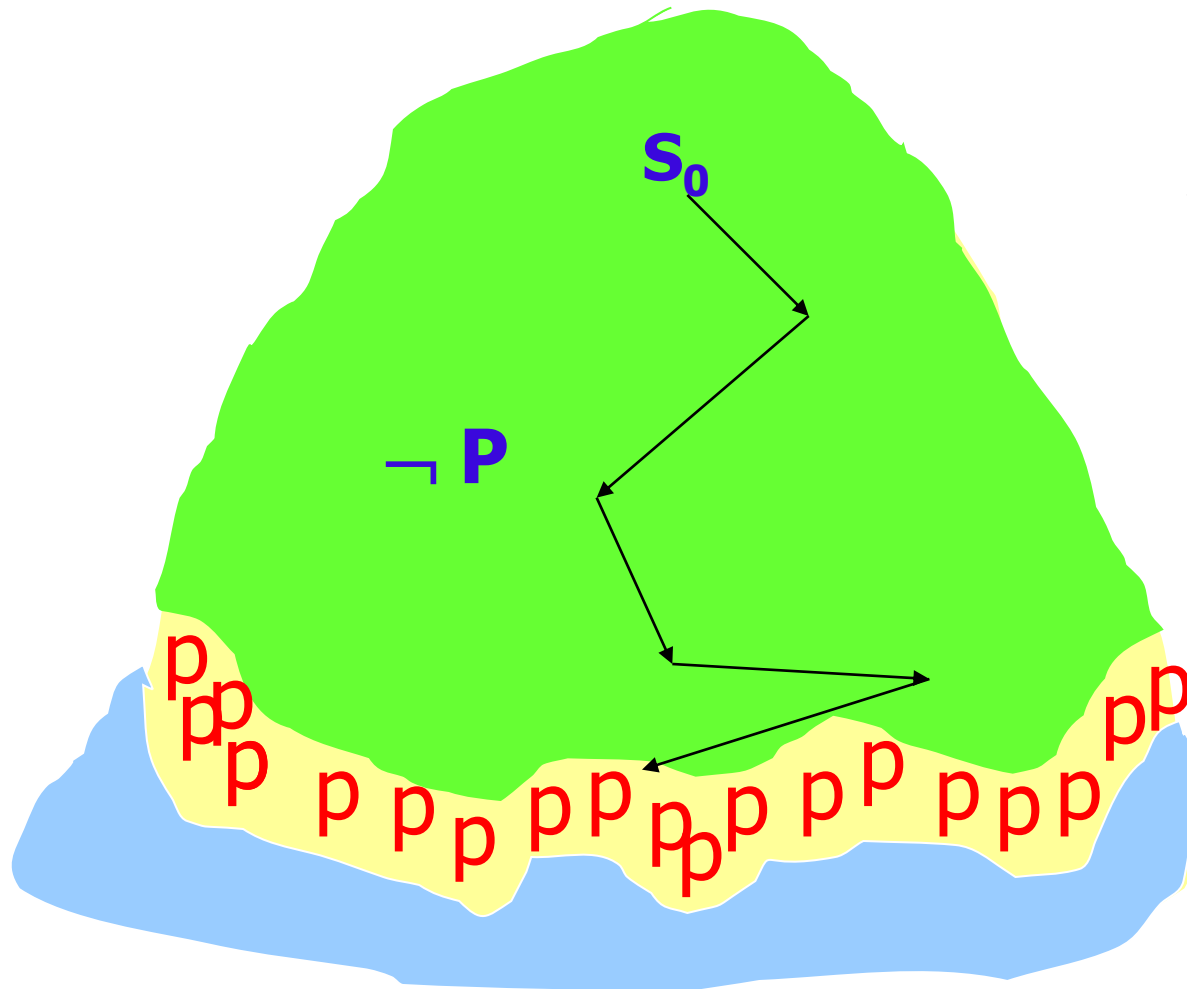
$A \langle \rangle P$ "P will be true eventually"
But no time bound is given.

Assume $AF P$ is satisfied by an automaton A.
Can we calculate the **Max** time bound?

OBS: we know how to calculate the **Min** !

Assume $A \leftrightarrow P$ is satisfied

Find the trace leading to P with the **max** delay



Almost the same algorithm as for synthesizing **Min**

We need to explore the **Green** part

An Algorithm (Max) -- not supported by UPPAAL

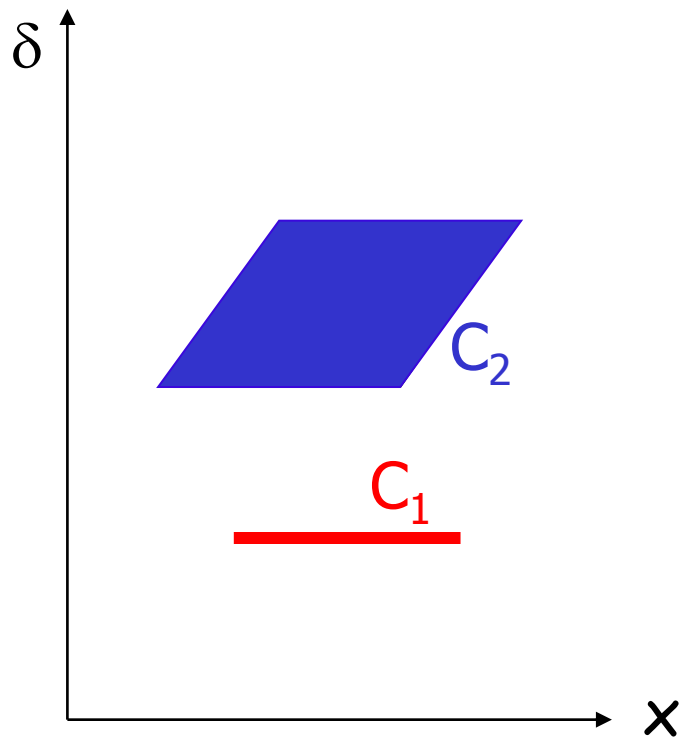
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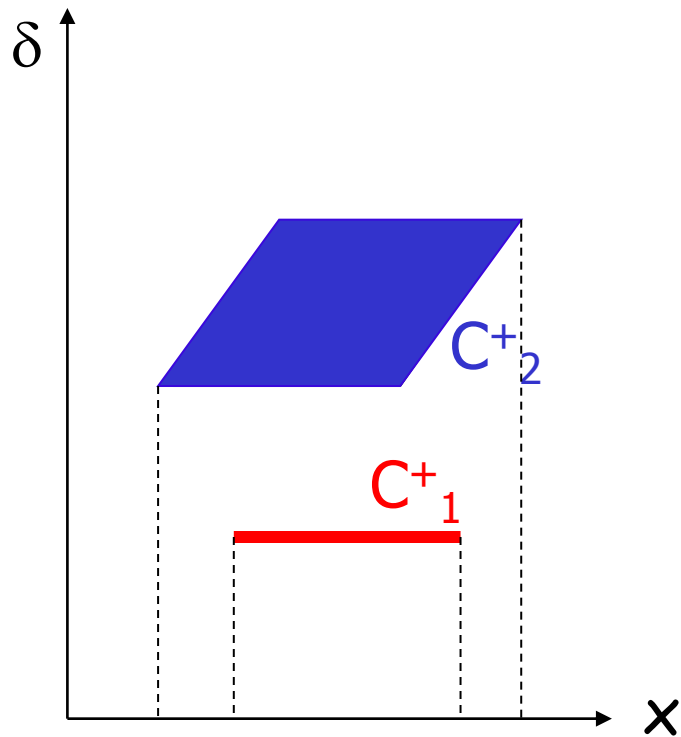
BUT: \sqsubseteq is defined on zones where the lower bound of "cost" is removed

Zone-Widening operation for Max



$$C_1 \not\subseteq C_2$$

Zone-Widening operation for Max



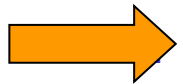
$$C_1 \not\subseteq C_2$$

$$C_1^+ \subseteq C_2^+$$

$$C_1 \sqsubseteq C_2 !$$

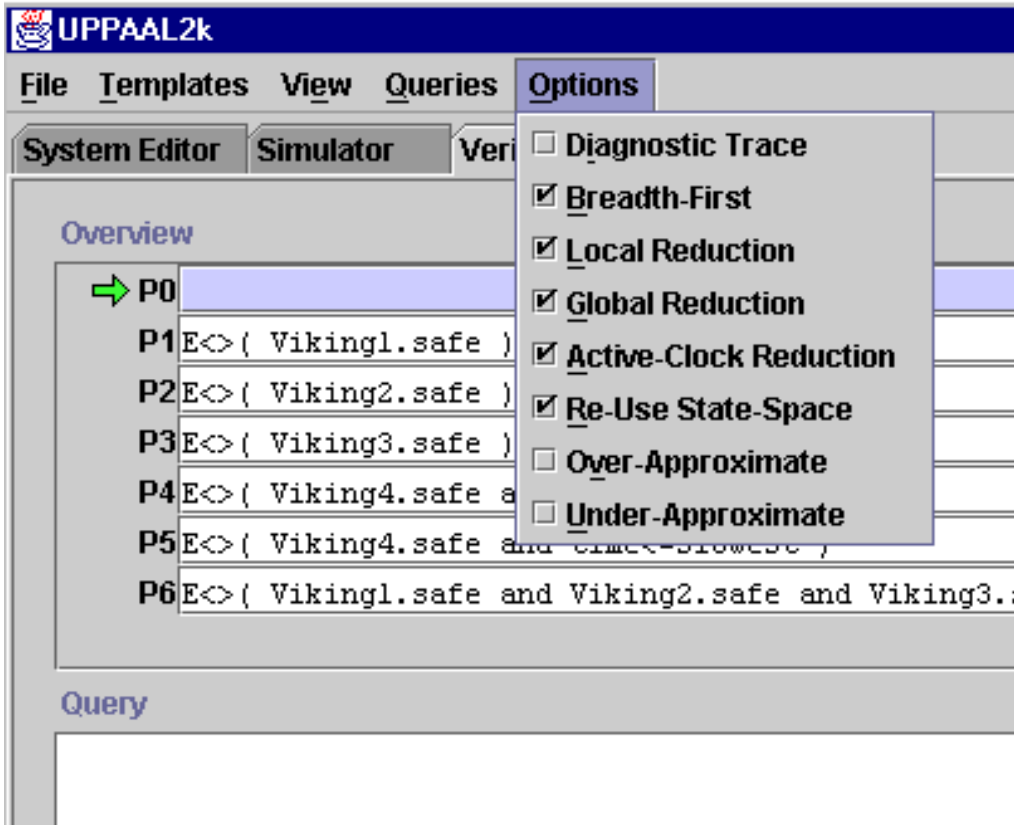
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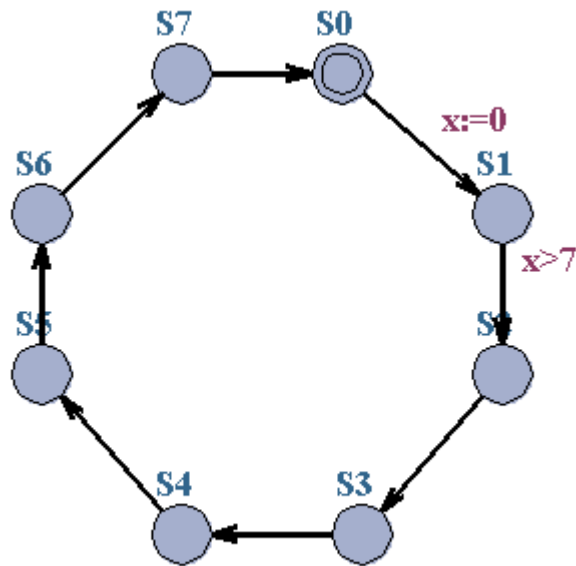
Verification Options





- Diagnostic Trace
- Breadth-First
- Depth-First
- Local Reduction
- Active-Clock Reduction
- Global Reduction
- Re-Use State-Space
- Over-Approximation
- Under-Approximation

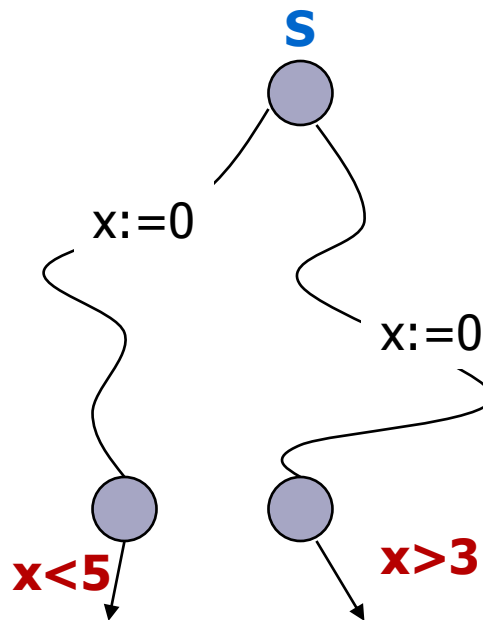
Inactive (passive) Clock Reduction



x is only **active** in location **S1**

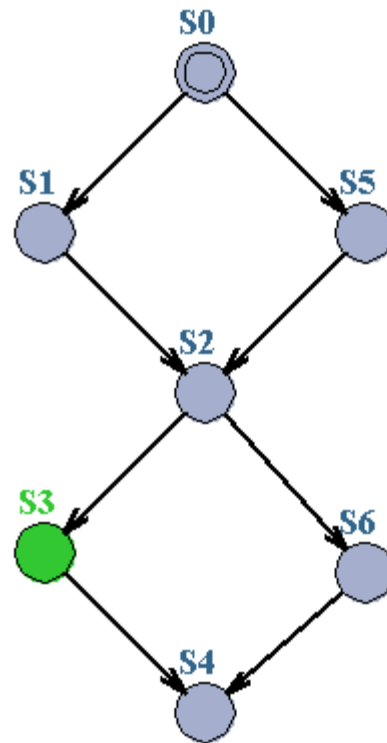
Definition

x is **inactive** at **S** if on all path from **S**, x is always reset before being tested.



Global Reduction

(When to store symbolic state)

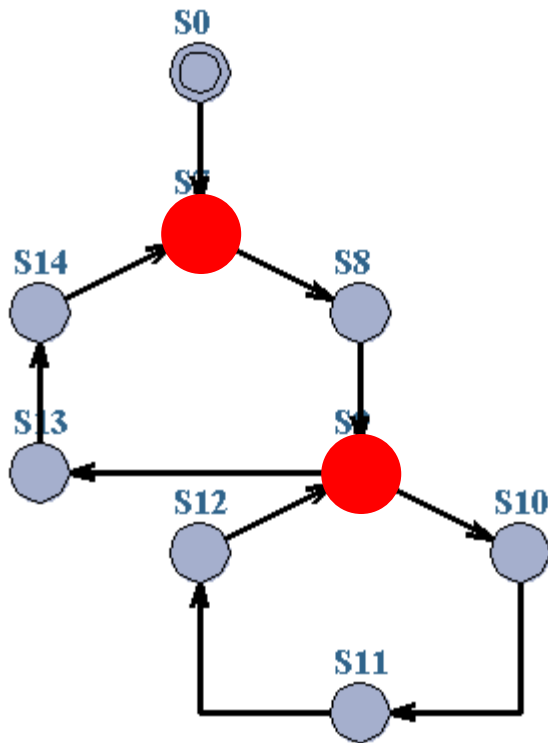


However,
Passed list useful for
efficiency

No Cycles: **Passed** list not needed for *termination*

Global Reduction [RTSS97]

(When to store symbolic state)



Cycles:

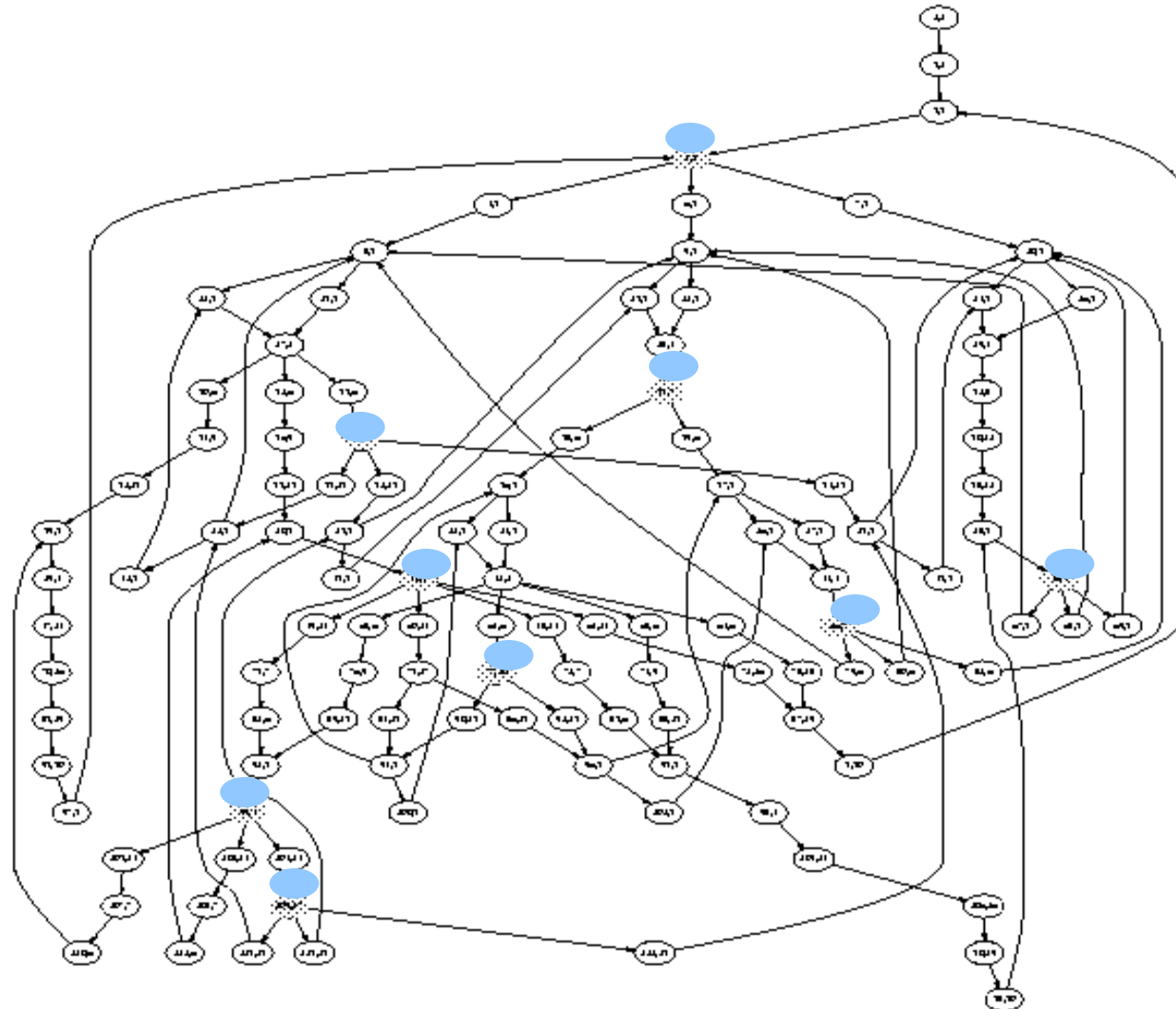
Only symbolic states involving loop-entry points need to be saved on **Passed** list

To Store Or Not To Store?

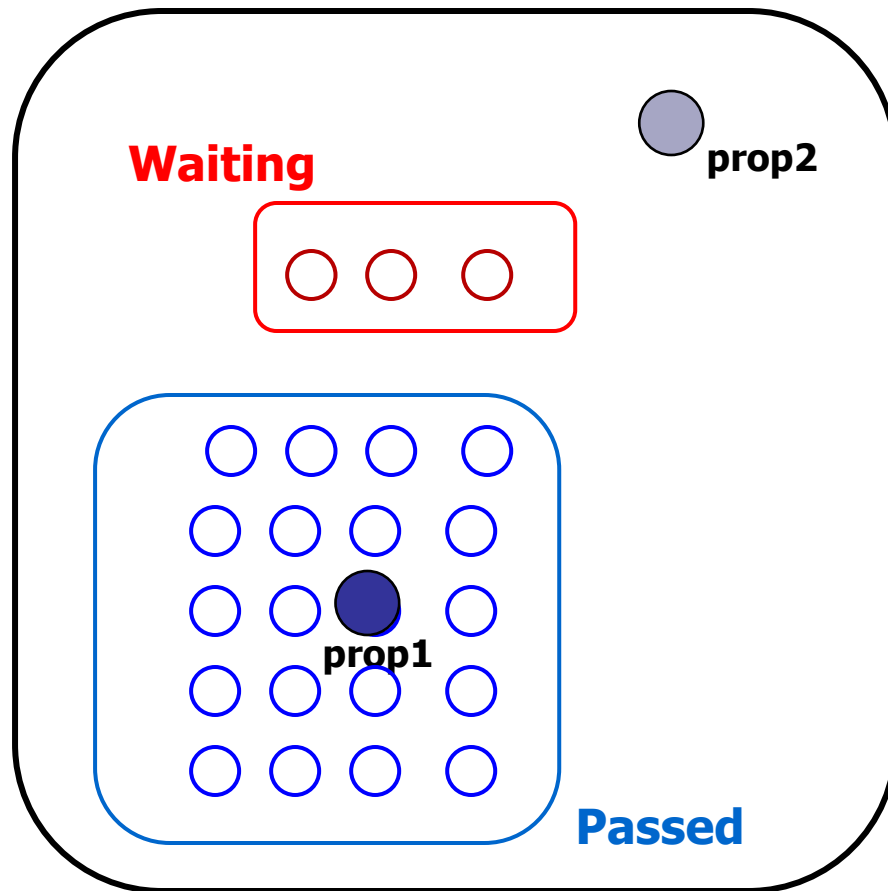
117 states_{total}
↓
81 states_{entrypoint}
↓
9 states

Time OH
less than 10%

(need to
re-explore
some states)



Reuse of State Space



A[] prop1

A[] prop2

A[] prop3

A[] prop4

A[] prop5

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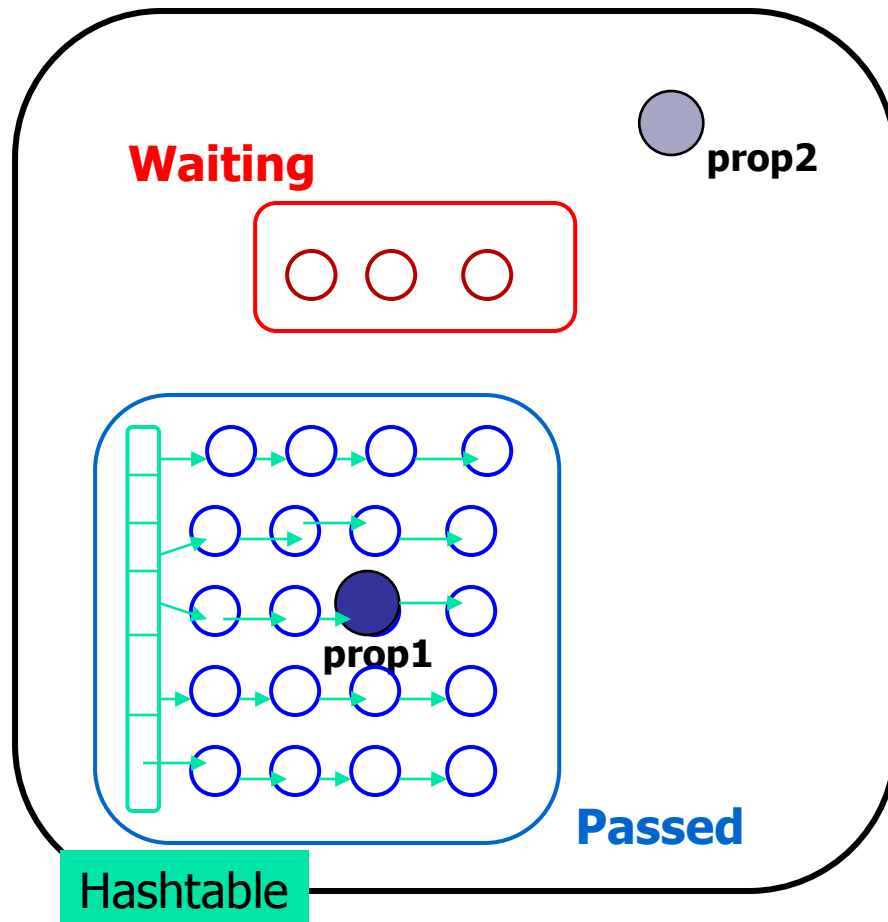
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Search
in existing
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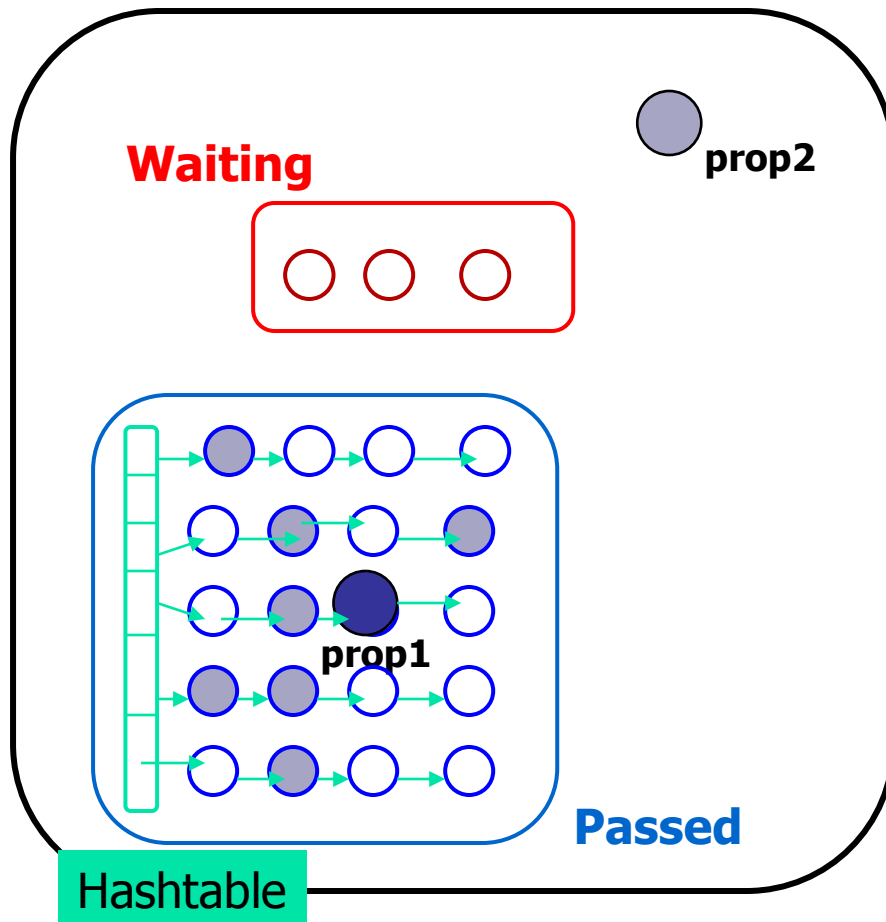
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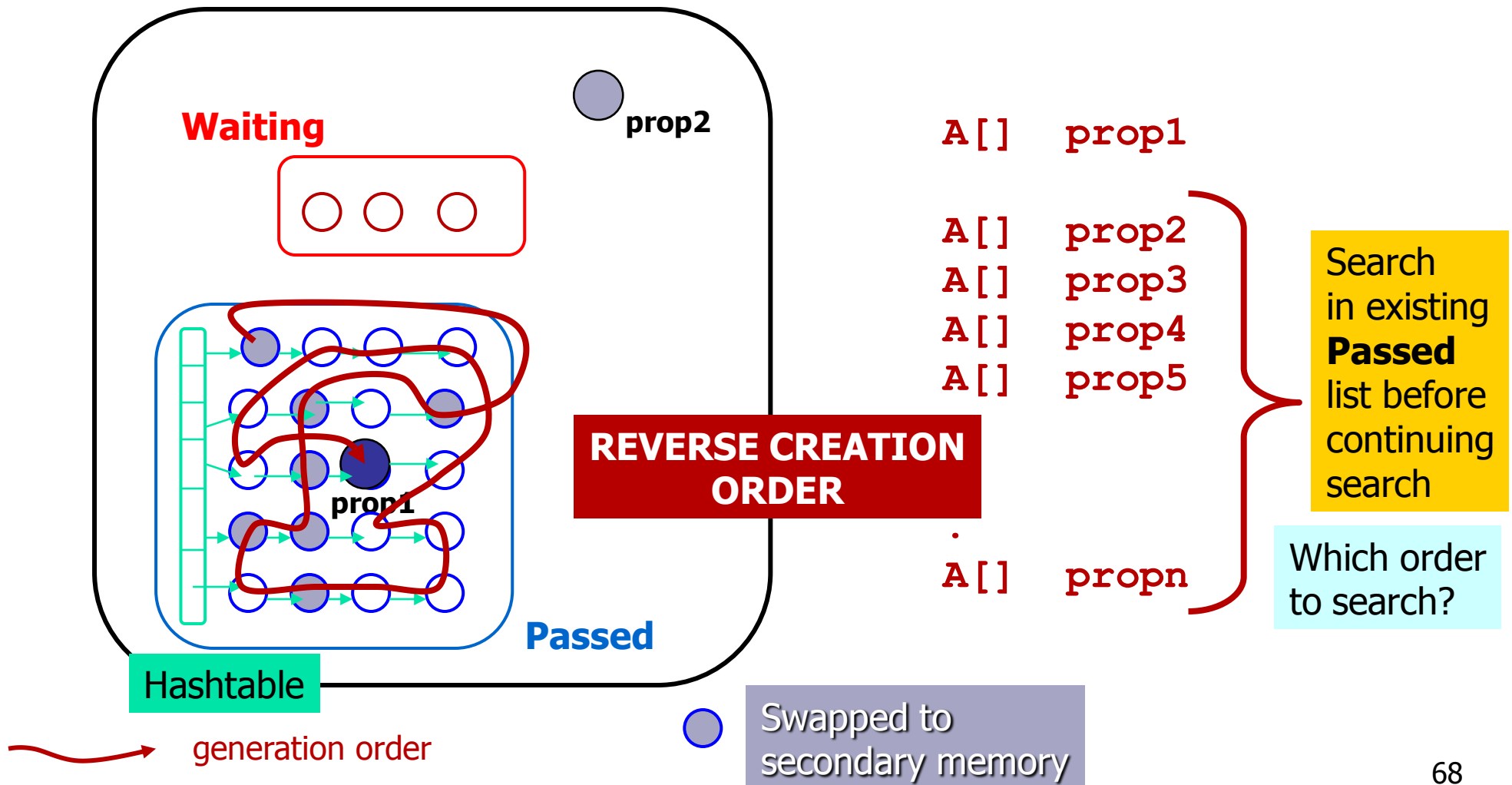
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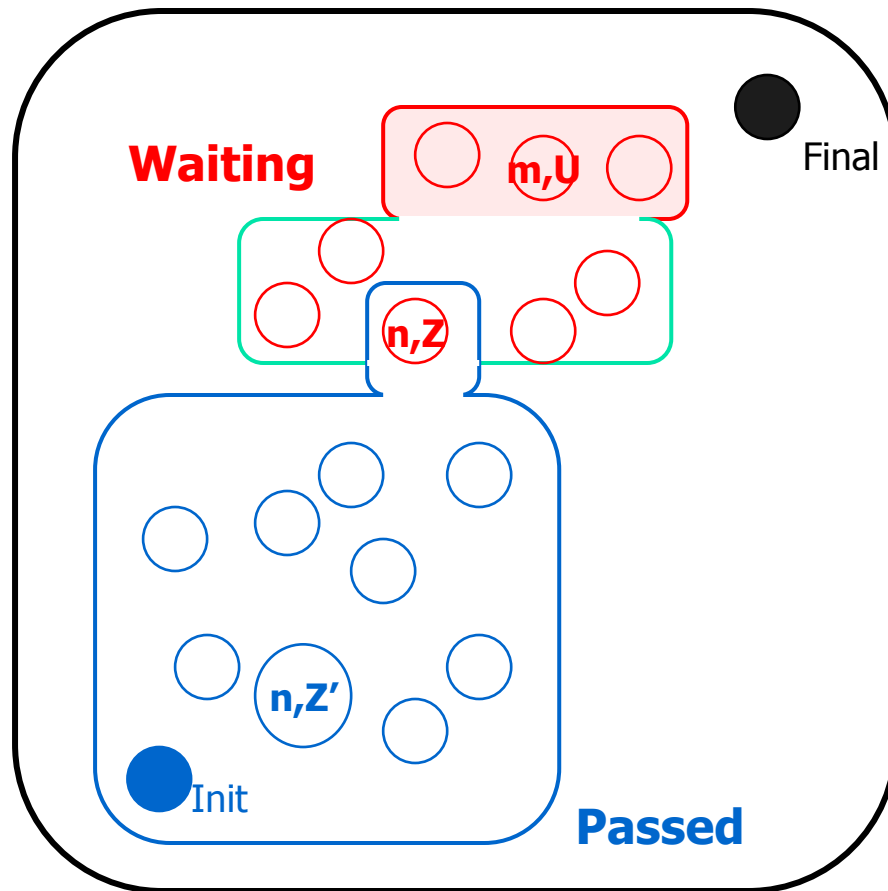
○ Swapped to secondary memory

Reuse of State Space



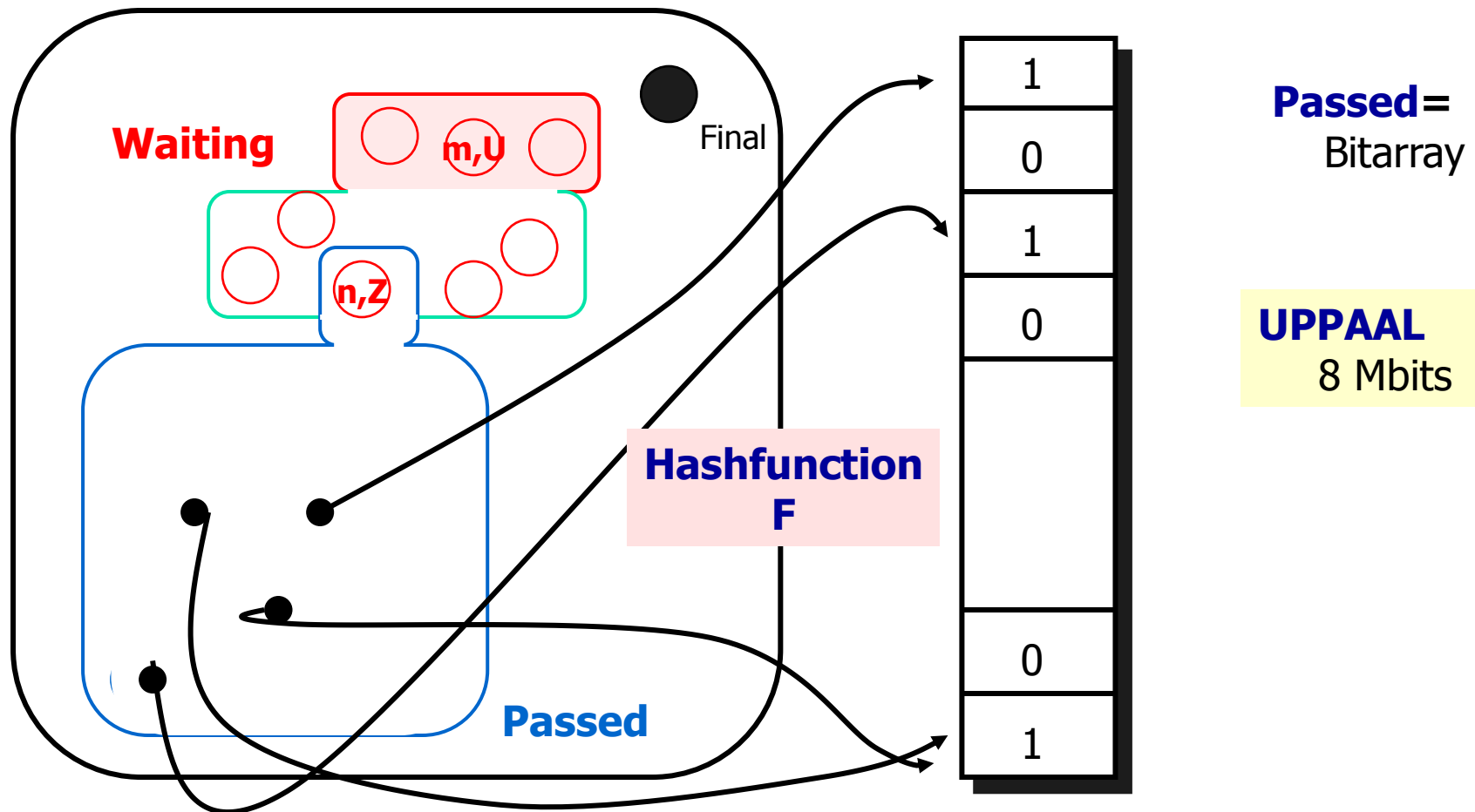
Under-approximation

Bitstate Hashing (Holzman, SPIN)



Under-approximation

Bitstate Hashing



Bit-state Hashing

```
INITIAL Passed :=  $\emptyset$ ;  
          Waiting := {(n0,Z0)}  
  
REPEAT  
- pick (n,Z) in Waiting  
- if for some  $Z' \supseteq Z$   
  (n,Z') in Passed then STOP  
- else /explore/ add  
  { (m,U) : (n,Z) => (m,U) }  
  to Waiting;  
  Add (n,Z) to Passed  
  
UNTIL Waiting =  $\emptyset$   
      or  
      Final is in Waiting
```

Passed(F(n,Z)) = 1

Passed(F(n,Z)) := 1

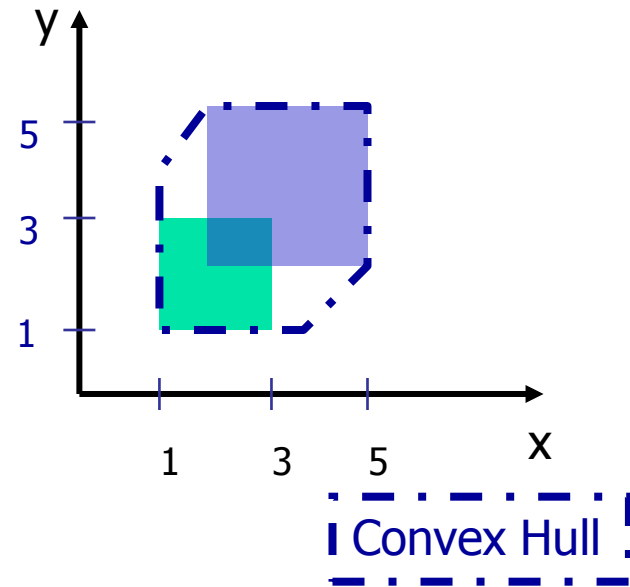
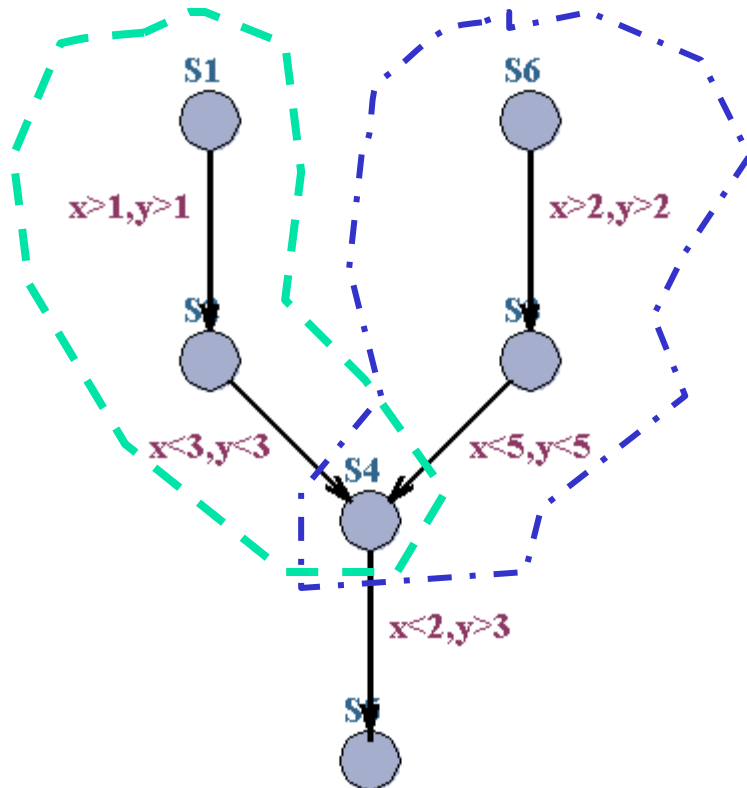
Under Approximation

(good for finding Bugs quickly, debugging)

- **Positive answer is safe (you can trust)**
 - You can trust your tool if it tells:
a state is reachable (it means Reachable!)
- **Negative answer is Inconclusive**
 - You should not trust your tool if it tells:
a state is non-reachable
 - Some of the branch may be terminated by
conflict (the same hashing value of two states)

Over-approximation

Convex Hull



Over-Approximation

(good for safety property-checking)

- **Positive answer is Inconclusive**
 - a state is reachable means Nothing
(you should not trust your tool when it says so)
 - Some of the transitions may be enabled by Enlarged zones
- **Negative answer is safe**
 - a state is not reachable means Non-reachable
(you can trust your tool when it says so)

Now, you can go home

- Download and use UPPAAL or
- Start to implement your own model checker