

# Complete Abstractions Everywhere

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- **Ubiquity** of completeness properties of static analyses
- Completeness can be a **beneficial tool** for
  - designing new static analyses
  - understanding how existing static analyses work

- Static analyses are designed in **abstract interpretation**
  - Abstract domains
  - Abstract functions
- Static analyses must be **sound**
- Static analyses may be (covertly) **complete**

- Static analysis  $\llbracket P \rrbracket^\sharp$  must be a sound **approximation** of concrete semantics  $\llbracket P \rrbracket$
- Approximation by **partial orders**
  - $\llbracket P \rrbracket$  ranges in  $(D, \leq_D)$
  - $\llbracket P \rrbracket^\sharp$  ranges in some abstraction  $(A, \leq_A)$
  - $x \leq y$ :  $y$  approximates  $x$

## Soundness #1

$$\llbracket P \rrbracket \gamma(\text{input}^\sharp) \leq_D \gamma(\llbracket P \rrbracket^\sharp \text{input}^\sharp)$$

- Concretization  $\gamma : A \rightarrow D$

## Soundness #2

$$\alpha(\llbracket P \rrbracket \text{input}) \leq_A \llbracket P \rrbracket^\sharp \alpha(\text{input})$$

- Abstraction  $\alpha : D \rightarrow A$

- $\llbracket P \rrbracket_1^\sharp$  and  $\llbracket P \rrbracket_2^\sharp$  on a common abstraction  $A$
- “more precise than”:  $\llbracket P \rrbracket_1^\sharp input^\sharp \leq_A \llbracket P \rrbracket_2^\sharp input^\sharp$

Completeness means “as precise as possible”

## Completeness #1 $\Rightarrow$ Exactness

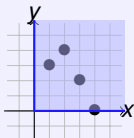
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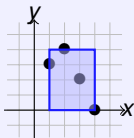
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# Numerical Abstractions

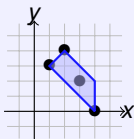
Sign abstraction



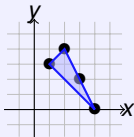
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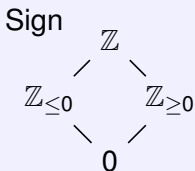


Oct octagon abstraction



Polyhedra abstraction





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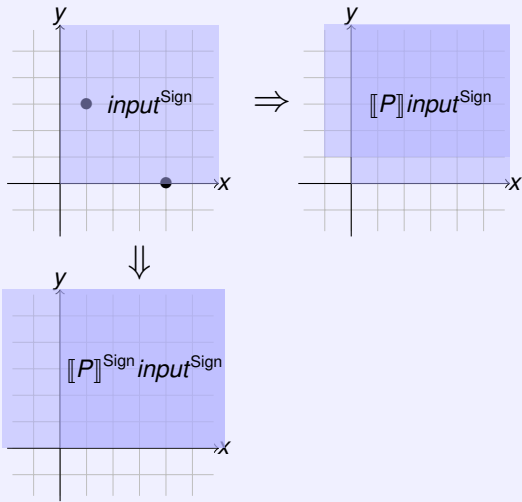
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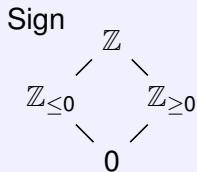
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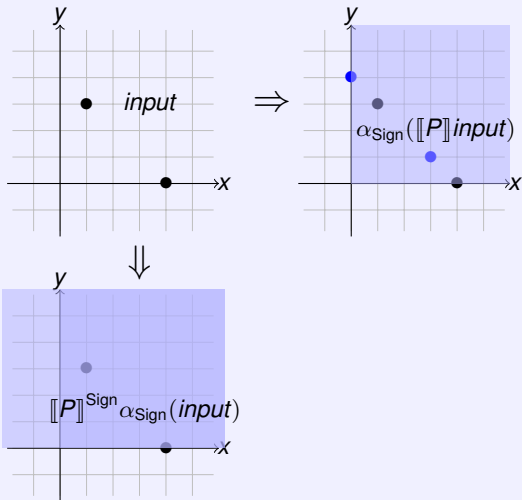
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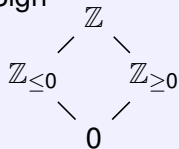
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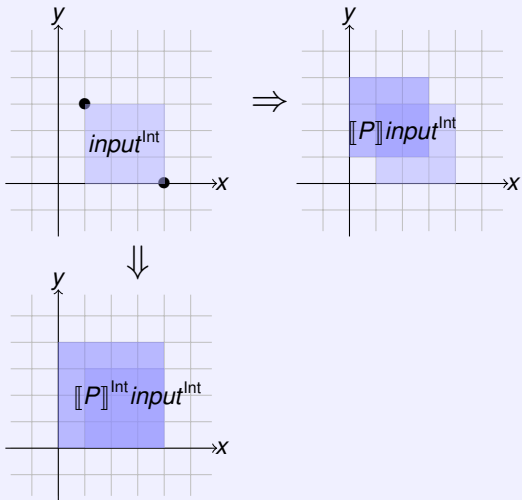
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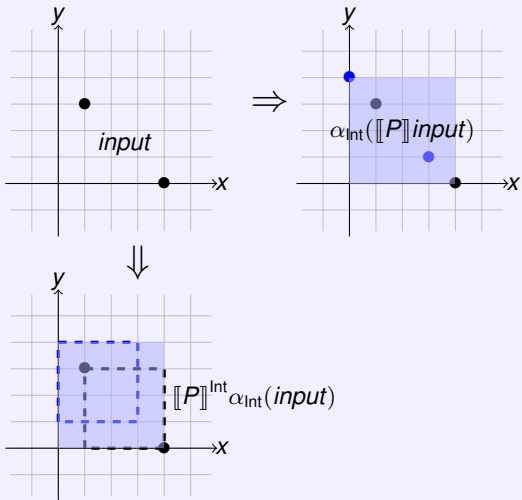
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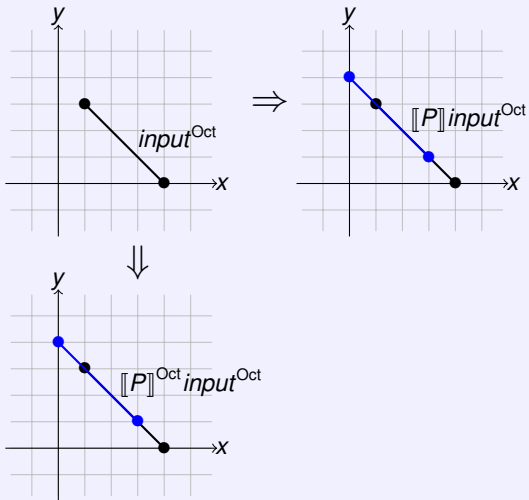
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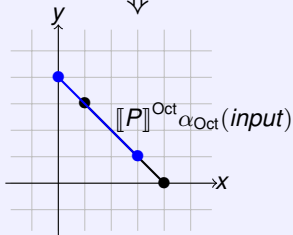
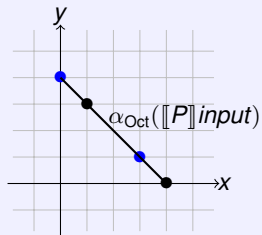
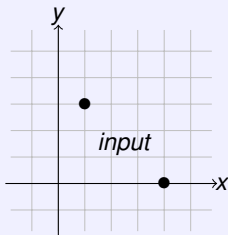
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- Why to care about completeness/exactness?
  - ⇒ Completeness allow to understand abstractions **in depth**
- Is completeness/exactness a kind of incidental feature?
  - ⇒ Complete abstractions are **everywhere** 😊
- Why completeness/exactness should be a useful tool?
  - ⇒ Completeness-driven **design** of abstractions

## Definition

**Exactness:**  $\text{Sem} \circ \gamma = \gamma \circ \text{Analysis}$

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**Completeness:**  $\alpha \circ \text{Sem} = \text{Analysis} \circ \alpha$

## Assumption

Abstractions have both  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$ , i.e. are Galois connections



# Completeness is a Property of Abstractions

Complete/exact abstractions are necessarily  
best correct approximations

## Fact

Analysis is *exact* on  $A \Leftrightarrow$

- 1 Analysis =  $\alpha \circ \text{Sem} \circ \gamma$
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- Programs with  $n$  integer variables ( $n = 1, 2$  in examples)
- Program states in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$
- Program properties in  $\langle \wp(\mathbb{Z}^n), \subseteq \rangle$
- $P_1$  is approximated by  $P_2$ :  $P_1 \subseteq P_2$  (i.e.,  $P_1 \Rightarrow P_2$ )
- Standard transfer functions and collecting semantics

- Abstractions as Galois connections
- Abstractions of program states in  $\text{Abs}(\wp(\mathbb{Z}^n))$
- $A_1$  refines  $A_2$ :  $A_1 \sqsubseteq A_2 \Leftrightarrow \forall \mathbf{S}. \gamma_1(\alpha_1(\mathbf{S})) \subseteq \gamma_2(\alpha_2(\mathbf{S}))$
- $\langle \text{Abs}(\wp(\mathbb{Z}^n)), \sqsubseteq \rangle$  the lattice of abstractions

- Abstracts each set in  $\wp(\mathbb{Z})$  to a unique abstract value
- $A^\top = \{\mathbb{Z}\}$
- $A^\top$  is **always** trivially exact and complete

- $\{\mathbb{Z}, K\}$  for some  $K \in \wp(\mathbb{Z})$
- Consider  $A^0 \triangleq \{\mathbb{Z}, \{0\}\}$
- Consider the test  $\langle x > 0? \rangle$

## $A^0$ is not complete

- 1  $A^0(\langle x > 0? \rangle\{-1\}) = A^0(\emptyset) = \{0\}$
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Where is the problem?

- 1  $S = \{-1\}$  does not satisfy the test:  $\langle x > 0? \rangle S = \emptyset$
  - 2  $A^0(\emptyset) = \{0\}$
  - 3  $A^0(S) = \mathbb{Z}$
- ⇒ The abstract function on  $A^0$  can only tell:  $\mathbb{Z} \mapsto \mathbb{Z}$

- $\text{Sign} = \{\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}, \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, 0\}$  refines  $A^0$
- The previous problem **does not happen** with Sign
- Sign is complete for the test



...Sign is **too refined**...

...for the specific goal of being complete for ( $x > 0$ ?)

$\mathbb{Z}$   
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What we really need is a **minimal refinement** of  $A^0$   
which is complete for  $(x > 0?)$

These are called **complete shell refinements**

- Minimal refinement of  $A$  which is complete for  $f$
- $\text{CSshell}_f(A) \triangleq \sqcup \{A' \in \text{Abs}(D) \mid A' \sqsubseteq A, A' \text{ is complete for } f\}$

### Well Definedness

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### Constructive Characterization

- 1  $R_f(X) \triangleq \cup_{a \in X} \max\{d \in D \mid f(d) \leq a\}$
  - 2  $R_f^\omega(A) = \cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} R_f^i(A)$
- $\Rightarrow \text{CSshell}_f(A) = \text{Glb-Closure of } R_f^\omega(A)$

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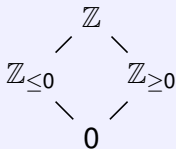


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/ \  $0$

- ①  $\max\{S \in \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \mid (\forall x > 0) S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}\} = \mathbb{Z}$
- ②  $\max\{S \in \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \mid (\forall x > 0) S \subseteq \{0\}\} = \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}$
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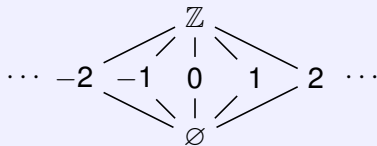
$\Rightarrow$  Complete shell:  $\{\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}, \{0\}\}$

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Sign is the complete shell of  $A^0$  for  $(x > 0?)$  and  $(x < 0?)$

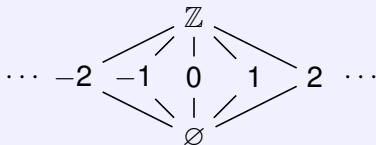
- Obvious? 😊
  - Interesting? 😊
- ⇒ Let's go on...



CP is a refinement of  $A^0$

## Question

Is CP a complete shell of  $A^0$ ?

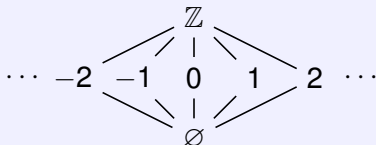


## Observations

- 1  $A^0$  is not complete for  $\langle x := x \pm 1 \rangle$
- 2 CP is complete for any  $\langle x := x \pm k \rangle$
- 3 Compositions of  $\langle x := x \pm 1 \rangle$  provide  $\langle x := x \pm k \rangle$

Let us compute the complete shell of  $A^0$  for  $\langle x := x \pm 1 \rangle$





①  $\max \{ S \in \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \mid (x := x + 1) S \subseteq \{0\} \} = \{-1\}$

②  $\max \{ S \in \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \mid (x := x - 1) S \subseteq \{0\} \} = \{+1\}$

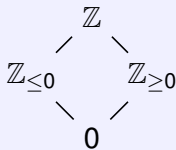
③  $\max \{ S \in \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \mid (x := x \pm 1) S \subseteq \{1\} \} = \{\mp 2\}$

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## Fact

CP is the complete shell of  $A^0$  for additions

- Obvious?
  - Maybe not at first sight! 😊
- Interesting?
  - Show me more! 😊



Sign is not complete for additions

- 1  $\text{Sign}(\langle x := x + 1 \rangle \{-1\}) = \text{Sign}(\{0\}) = \{0\}$
- 2  $\langle x := x + 1 \rangle^{\text{Sign}} \text{Sign}(\{-1\}) = \langle x := x + 1 \rangle^{\text{Sign}} (\mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}) = \mathbb{Z}$

## Question

What is the complete shell of Sign for additions?

Uhm...

- 1 I should stretch/restrict  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  on the left/right
- 2 I should restrict/stretch  $\mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}$  on the left/right
- 3 If I have  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq m}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_{\leq n}$  then I also have  $[m, n]$

## Answer

Intervals!

Let us compute the complete shell of Sign for  $(|x := x \pm 1|)$

- 1  $\max \{S \in \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \mid (|x := x \pm 1|)S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}\} = \mathbb{Z}_{\leq -1}$
- 2  $\max \{S \in \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \mid (|x := x \pm 1|)S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\} = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$
- 3  $\max \{S \in \wp(\mathbb{Z}) \mid (|x := x \pm 1|)S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\leq -1}\} = \mathbb{Z}_{\leq -2}$
- ...
- 4 Glb-closure of  $\{\mathbb{Z}_{\geq n}, \mathbb{Z}_{\leq m} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

### Fact

Int is the complete shell of Sign for additions

- Obvious?
  - Probably not! 😊
- Interesting?
  - Not bad! 😊
- That's the whole story? 😊

- Completeness is not monotone for abstraction refinements
  - $A_1$  complete,  $A_2 \sqsubseteq A_1 \not\Rightarrow A_2$  complete

⇒ Completeness can be lost through shell refinements

### Fact

- 1 Sign was designed as complete shell for  $(x > 0?)$  and  $(x < 0?)$
  - 2 Int was designed as complete shell of Sign for additions
- ⇒ Int lost completeness for  $(x > 0?)$  and  $(x < 0?)$

## Fact

Complete shell of  $\text{Int}$  for all  $\langle x > k? \rangle$  leads to the concrete domain

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Complete shell of  $\text{Int}$  for  $\langle x > 0? \rangle$  and  $\langle x < 0? \rangle$  is

$$\text{Int}^{\neq \pm 1} \triangleq \text{Int} \cup \{I \setminus \{+1\} \mid I \in \text{Int}\} \cup \{I \setminus \{-1\} \mid I \in \text{Int}\}$$



- Intervals are not “relational”
- Need for relational abstractions
- Fully relational  $\Rightarrow$  Polyhedra
  - Precise but expensive
- Weakly relational  $\Rightarrow$  Octagons and the like
  - Tractable and still practically precise

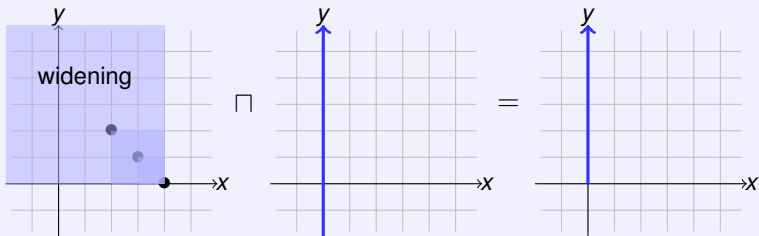
## Standard Example

$\{x = 4, y = 0\}$  **while**  $x \neq 0$  **do**  $\{x--; y++\}$   $\{x = 0, y = 4\}$

Int is not enough for deriving that  $y = 4$  at the exit of  $P$   
i.e. Int is not complete

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## Problem

Int is not able to represent the loop invariant  $x + y = 4$

## (Logical) Solution

Oct represents sets  $\{\langle x, y \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \mid x \pm y = k\}$

## Question

Int is already complete for  $\langle x-- \rangle$  and  $\langle y++ \rangle$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Why this is not enough?

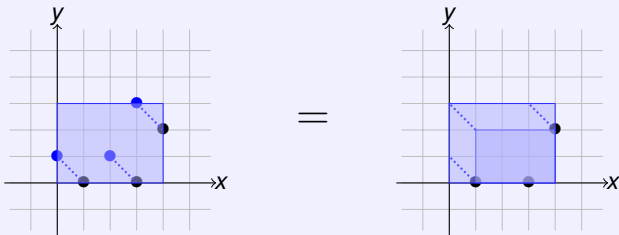
## Answer

What we really need is an abstraction that represents precisely the loop invariant  $x + y = 4$

$\Rightarrow$  We need **exactness** for  $\lambda S.S \cup \langle x--; y++ \rangle S$

# Genesis of Octagons

Int is **complete** for  $\lambda S.S \cup (\downarrow x--; y++)S$



Int is **not exact** for  $\lambda S.S \cup (\downarrow x--; y++) \downarrow S$

- 1  $\{\langle x/4, y/0 \rangle\} \cup (\downarrow x--; y++) \downarrow \{\langle x/4, y/0 \rangle\} = \{\langle x/4, y/0 \rangle, \langle x/3, y/1 \rangle\}$
- 2  $\text{Int} \left( \{\langle x/4, y/0 \rangle\} \cup (\downarrow x--; y++) \downarrow \{\langle x/4, y/0 \rangle\} \right) \ni \langle x/4, y/1 \rangle$



Let us compute the **exact shell** of Int for

$$\lambda S.S \cup (x--; y++) S$$

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Let us compute the **exact shell** of  $\text{Int}$  for  
 $F \triangleq \lambda S.S \cup (\downarrow x--; y++ \uparrow)S$

Consider a generic point  $\langle a, b \rangle$ :

$$\textcircled{1} F^0(\{\langle a, b \rangle\}) = \{\langle a, b \rangle\}$$

$$\textcircled{2} F^1(\{\langle a, b \rangle\}) = \{\langle a, b \rangle, \langle a - 1, b + 1 \rangle\}$$

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...

$$\Rightarrow F^\omega(\{\langle a, b \rangle\}) = \{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x + y = a + b, x \leq a, y \geq b\}$$

Let us compute the **exact shell** of  $\text{Int}$  for  
 $G \triangleq \lambda S.S \cup (\downarrow x++; y++ \downarrow)S$

Consider a generic point  $\langle a, b \rangle$ :

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...

$$\Rightarrow G^\omega(\{\langle a, b \rangle\}) = \{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x - y = a + b, x \geq a, y \geq b\}$$

Closure under intersections of...

① Intervals

②  $\{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x + y = a + b, x \leq a, y \geq b\}$

③  $\{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x - y = a + b, x \geq a, y \geq b\}$

④  $\{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x + y = a + b, x \geq a, y \leq b\}$

⑤  $\{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x - y = a + b, x \leq a, y \leq b\}$

...generates all the octagons!

- Obvious?
  - Nice observation! 😊
- Interesting?
  - Nice story! 😊

The whole story shifts from  
Intervals  $\Rightarrow$  Octagons  
to  
Octagons  $\Rightarrow$  Polyhedra

## Example Program

$x := x_0; y := y_0; \mathbf{while} (*) \mathbf{do} \{x := x + k_x; y := y + k_y\}$

Loop invariant:  $k_x y - k_y x = k_x y_0 - k_y x_0$

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## Fact

Polyhedra are the **exact shell** of Octagons for the functions in

$$F = \{\lambda S.S \cup \langle x := x + k_x; y := y + k_y \rangle S\}_{\langle k_x, k_y \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}^2}$$

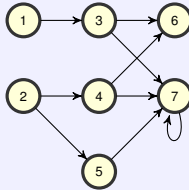
- 1 **Lack of precision** in analyzing  $P$  on  $A$  means **lack of completeness** of  $A$  for some functions of  $P$
- 2 Abstractions are designed to **remedy** to some (hidden) **lack of completeness** of a simpler abstraction
- 3 **Complete shells** as a systematic tool for driving the design of abstractions



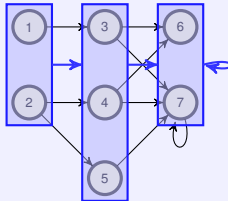
Let's change static analysis paradigm...

# Abstract Transition Systems

Concrete Model  $\mathcal{K}$



Abstract Model  $\mathcal{A}$



Some temporal specification language  $\mathcal{L}$   
e.g., CTL, ACTL,  $\mu$ -calculus

$\mathcal{A}$  preserves  $\mathcal{L}$

$$\forall \varphi \in \mathcal{L}, \forall s \in \text{State}, P(s) \models^{\mathcal{A}} \varphi \Rightarrow s \models^{\mathcal{K}} \varphi$$

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## Problem

Compute the smallest abstract space  $\text{State}_{\mathcal{L}}^{\#}$  where to define an abstract model  $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{L}} = (\text{State}_{\mathcal{L}}^{\#}, \rightarrow^{\#})$  that strongly preserves  $\mathcal{L}$

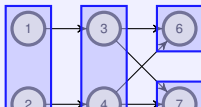
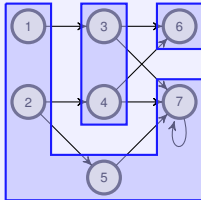
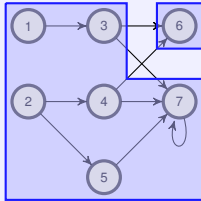
## Reduction Algorithms

- 1 CTL  $\Rightarrow$  **bisimulation** algorithms
- 2 ACTL  $\Rightarrow$  **simulation** algorithms
- 3 CTL-X  $\Rightarrow$  **stuttering bisimulation** algorithms
- 4 ACTL-X  $\Rightarrow$  **stuttering simulation** algorithms

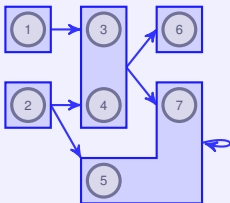
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# Coarsest Partition Refinement

These are **coarsest partition refinement** algorithms

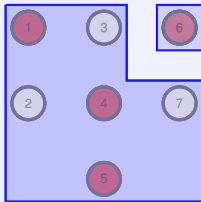


A state partition  $P$  is a bisimulation  
 $\Leftrightarrow$   
 the abstract model  $\langle P, \rightarrow^{\exists} \rangle$  strongly preserves CTL



$$B_1 \rightarrow^{\exists} B_2 \text{ iff } \exists s_i \in B_i \text{ s.t. } s_1 \rightarrow s_2$$

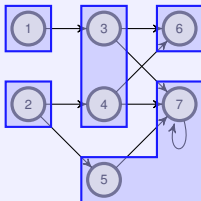
State partitions can be viewed as abstractions of  $\wp(\text{State})$   
that are exact for the complementation  $\text{State} \setminus S$



- 1 A state partition  $P$  is a bisimulation  $\Leftrightarrow$  the abstract model  $\langle P, \rightarrow^\exists \rangle$  strongly preserves CTL
- 2 State partitions are abstractions of  $\wp(\text{State})$
- 3 Predecessor  $\text{pre} : \wp(\text{State}) \rightarrow \wp(\text{State})$  is defined as  $\text{pre}(T) \triangleq \{s \in \text{State} \mid s \rightarrow t, t \in T\}$

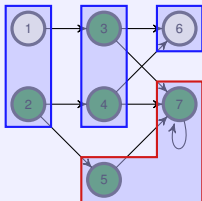


$P$  is a bisimulation  $\Leftrightarrow P$  is **exact** for pre



$P$  is exact for pre:  
for any block  $B$ ,  $\text{pre}(B)$  is a union of blocks of  $P$

$P$  is a bisimulation  $\Leftrightarrow P$  as abstraction is **exact** for pre



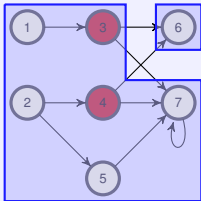
$P$  is not exact for pre:

$\text{pre}([5, 7]) = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7\}$  is not a union of blocks of  $P$

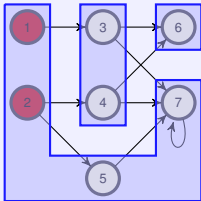
## Fact

Bisimulation algorithms are exact shells of abstractions for:

- 1 complementation  $\Rightarrow$  ensures that abstractions are partitions
- 2 predecessor  $\Rightarrow$  ensures that partitions are bisimulations



$P \Rightarrow \text{Glb-Closure of } P \cup \{\text{pre}([6])\}$



$P \Rightarrow \text{Glb-Closure of } P \cup \{\text{pre}([3, 4])\}$

- Obvious?
  - Nice observation! 😊
- Interesting?
  - Nice story! 😊
- Tell me more! 😊

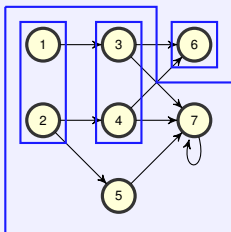
The whole story shifts from bisimulation to

- 1 simulation
- 2 stuttering bisimulation/simulation
- 3 generic temporal languages
- 4 bisimulation/simulation in **probabilistic** automata

A state preorder  $R$  is a simulation

$\Leftrightarrow$

$\forall s \in \text{State}, \text{pre}(R(s))$  is a union of some  $R(t)$



$$R(1) = \{1, 2\}$$

$$R(2) = \{1, 2\}$$

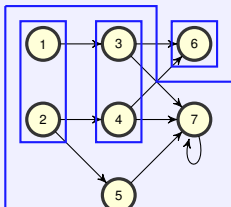
$$R(3) = \{3, 4\}$$

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$$R(5) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7\}$$

$$R(6) = \{6\}$$

$$R(7) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7\}$$



$$\text{pre}(R(1)) = \text{pre}(R(2)) = \emptyset$$

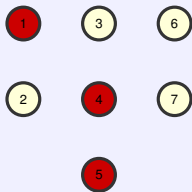
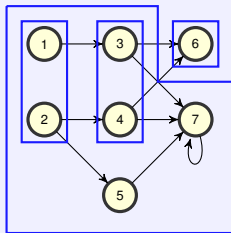
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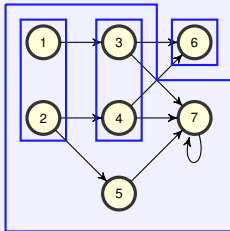
# Preorder Abstractions

State preorders can be viewed as abstractions of  $\wp(\text{State})$  that are exact for the union, i.e., closed under unions





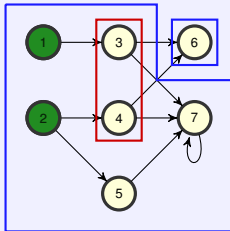
$R$  is a simulation  $\Leftrightarrow R$  as abstraction is **exact** for pre



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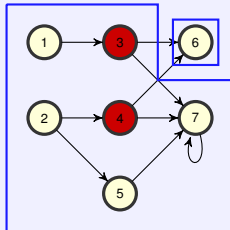
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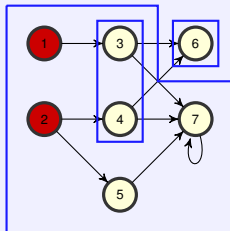
## Fact

Simulation algorithms are exact shells of abstractions for:

- 1 union  $\Rightarrow$  ensures that abstractions are preorders
- 2 predecessor  $\Rightarrow$  ensures that preorders are simulations



$R \Rightarrow \text{Glb-Closure of } R \cup \{\text{pre}(\{6\})\}$



## Initial claims:

- 1 **Ubiquity** of completeness properties of static analyses
  - Numerical abstractions
  - Abstract model checking
  - Probabilistic systems
  - ...interpolation, non-interference, obfuscation,...
  - Just ask and you get it! 😊
- 2 Completeness as a tool for **designing** new static analyses
  - When designing an abstraction, think **a priori** about its completeness properties
- 3 Completeness as a tool for **understanding** how existing static analyses work
  - Otherwise, completeness can explain **a posteriori** the genesis of your abstraction 😊