

HyPro: A C++ library of state set representations for hybrid systems reachability analysis

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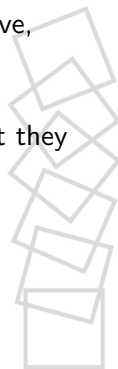
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They can be found in

- physical processes (bouncing ball, freezing water, ...)
- digital controllers for continuous systems (avionics, automotive, automated plants) → cyber-physical systems

As they interact and possibly modify the surrounding environment they are often **safety critical**.



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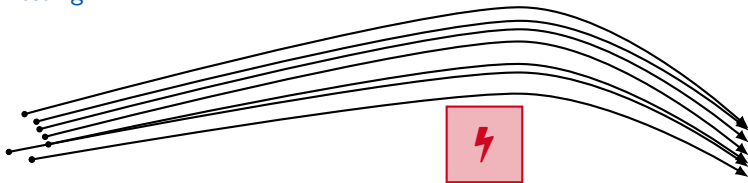


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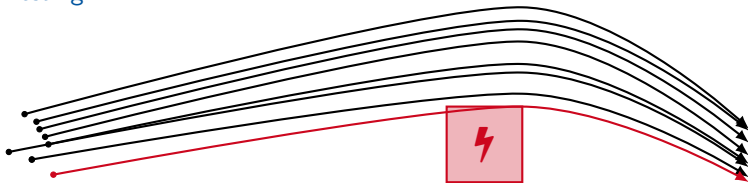


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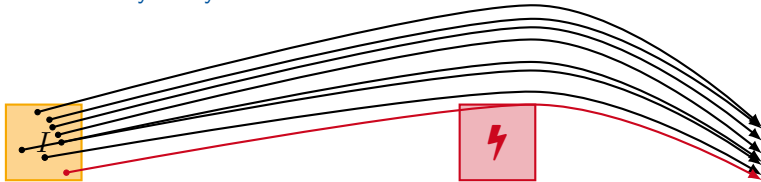


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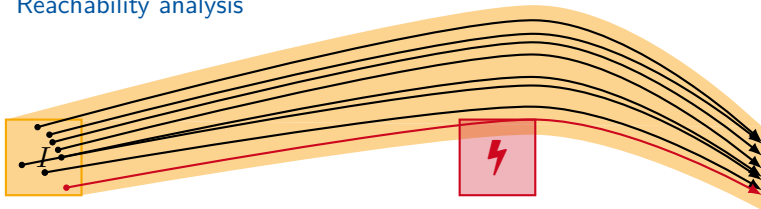


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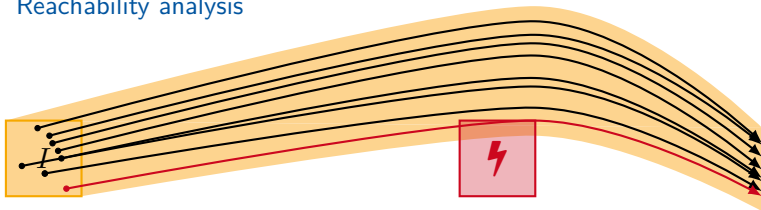


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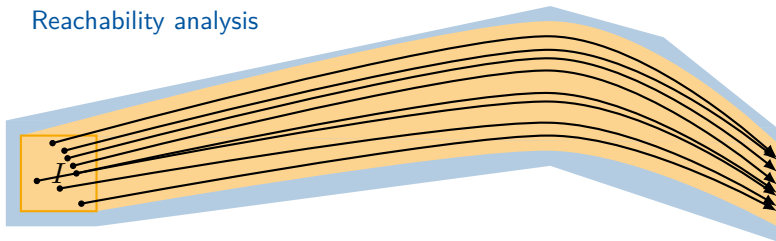
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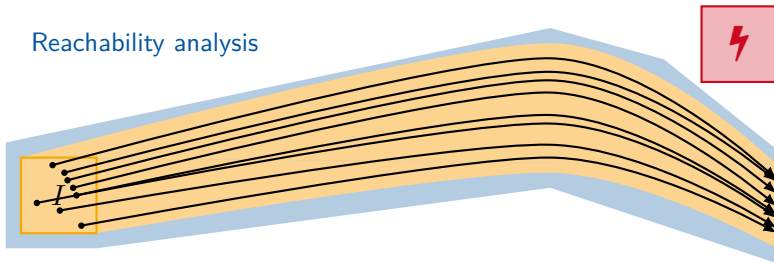
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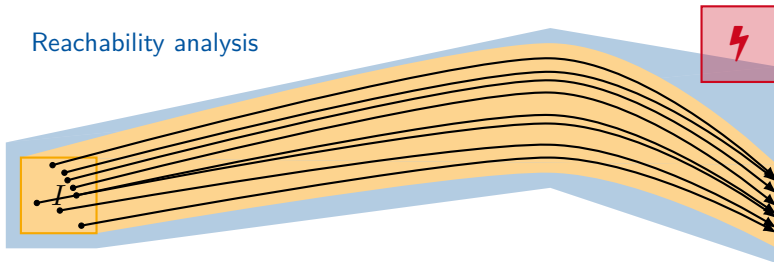
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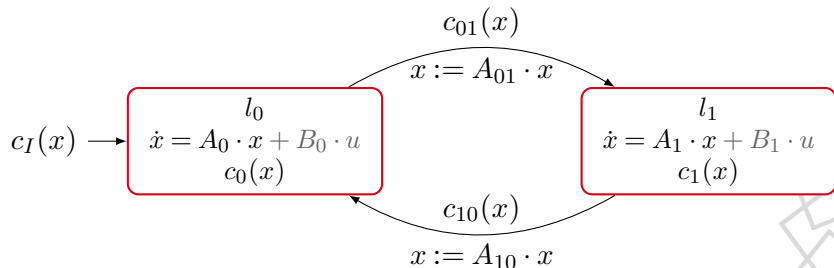


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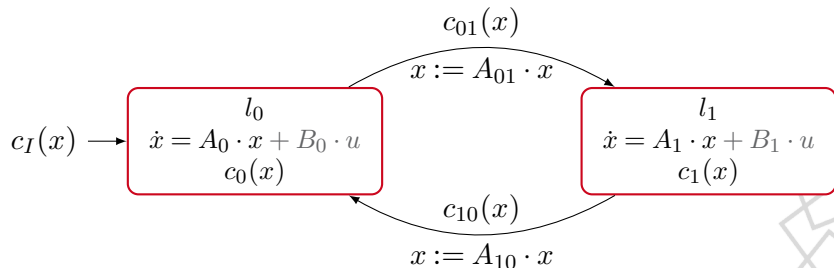


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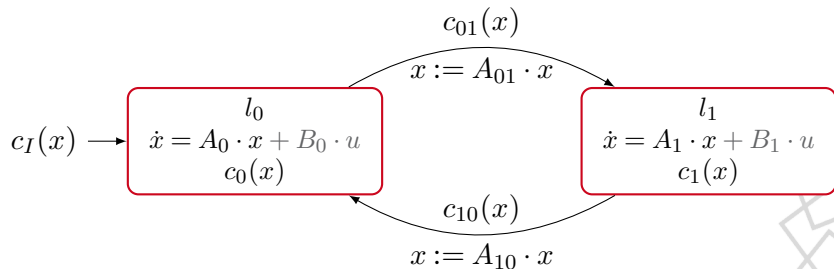


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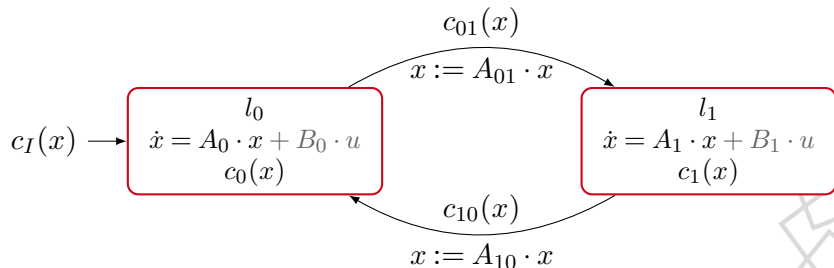


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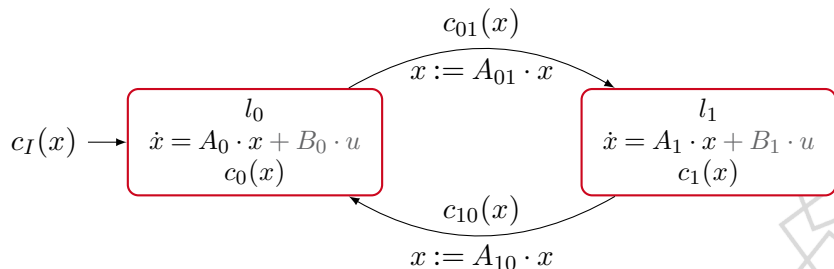


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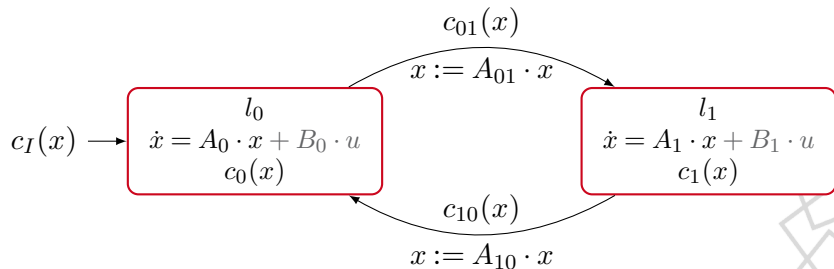


Transitions: $Edge \subseteq Loc \times Pred_{Var} \times Pred_{Var \cup Var'} \times Loc$

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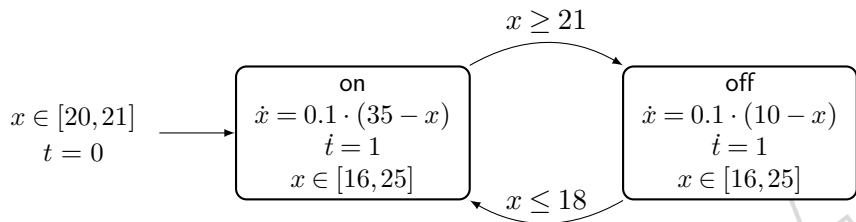
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An initial set $Loc \rightarrow Pred_{Var}$

Hybrid automata – example

Simplified model of a thermostat¹:



¹<https://www.digitalcity.wien/even-thermostats-have-a-heart/>

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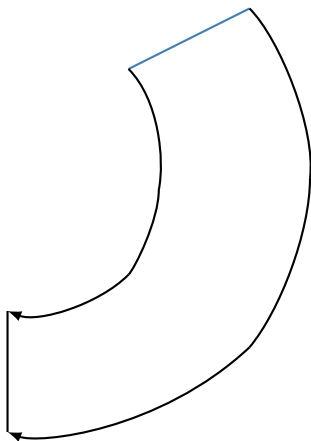
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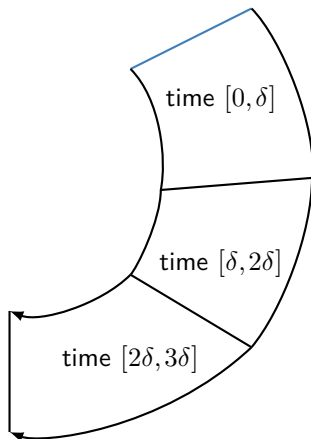
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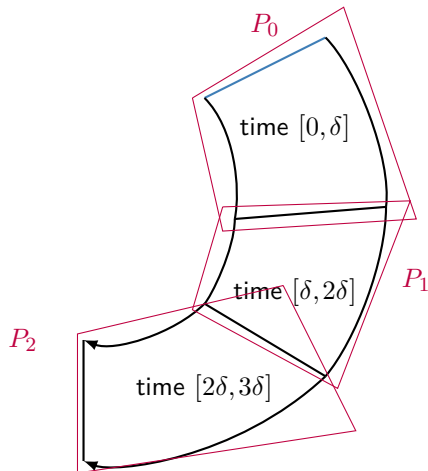
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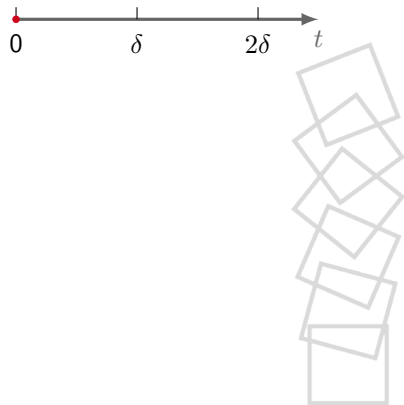
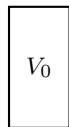
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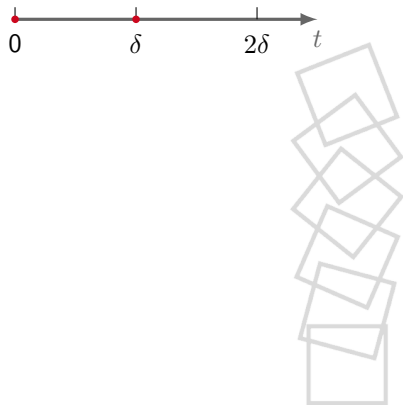
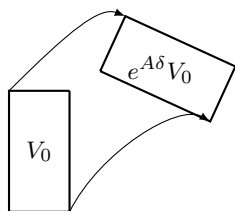
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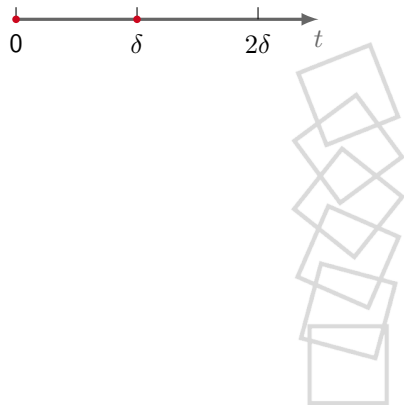
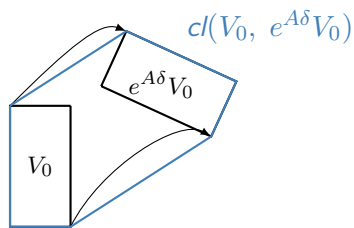
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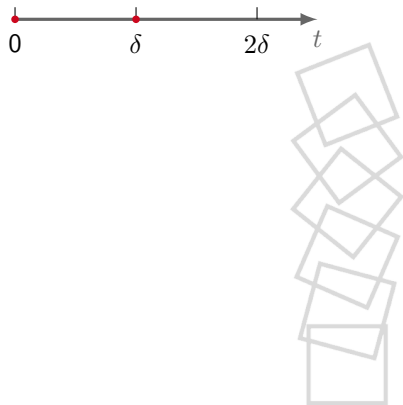
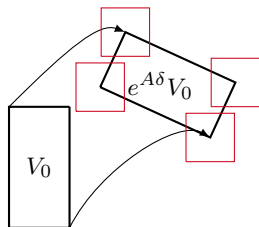
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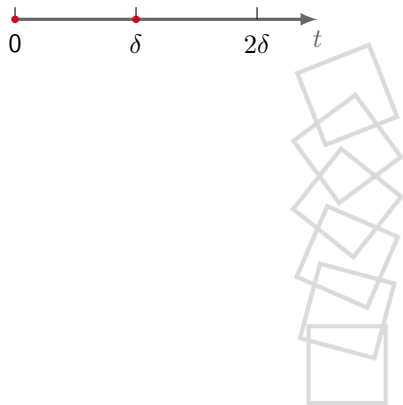
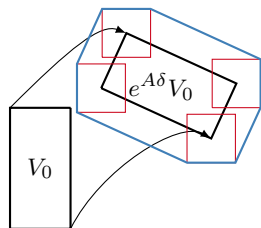
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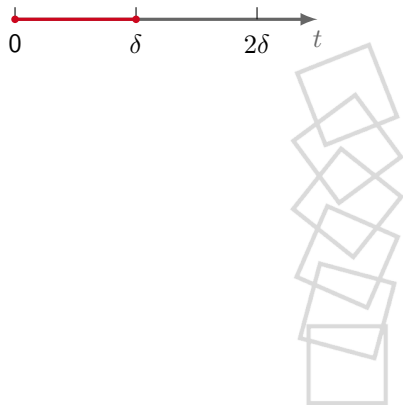
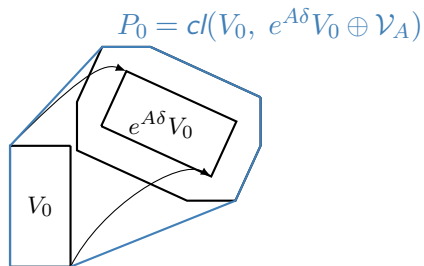
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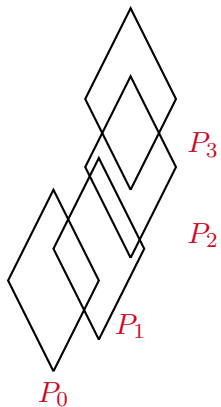


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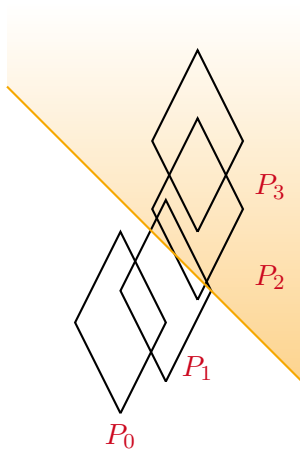
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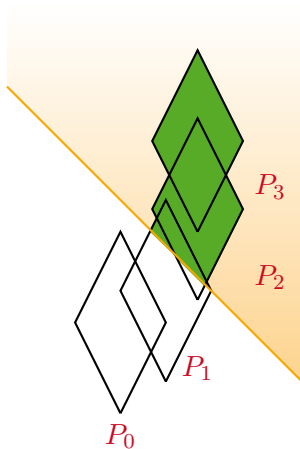
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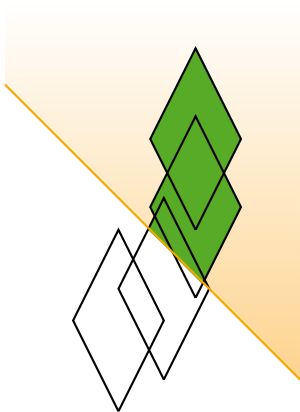
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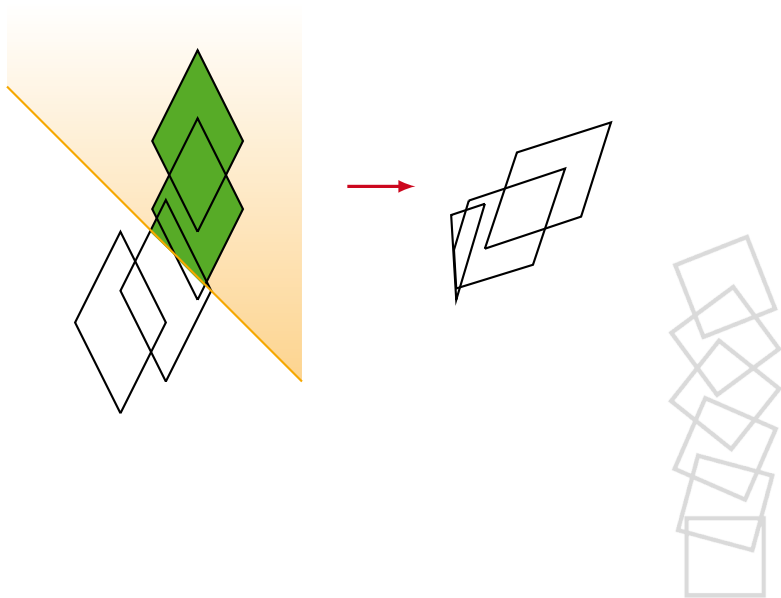
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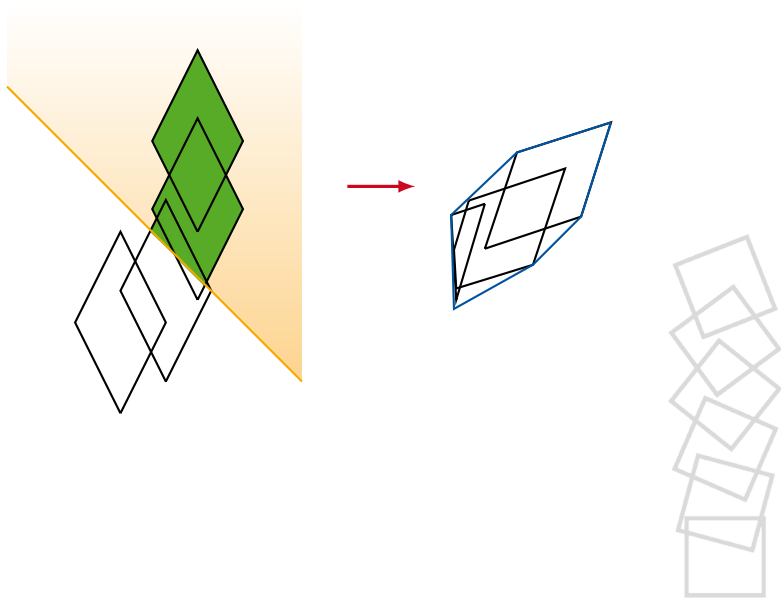
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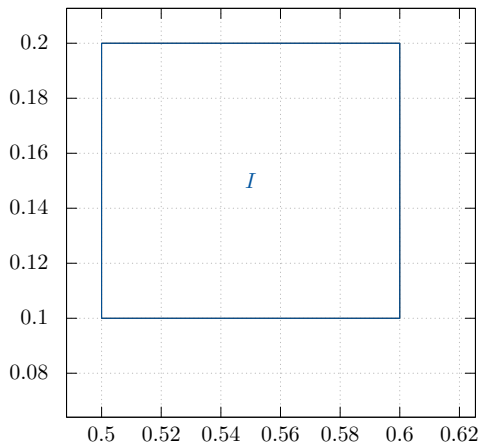
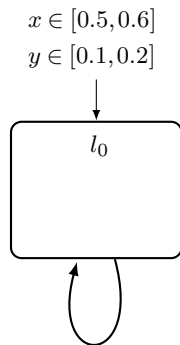
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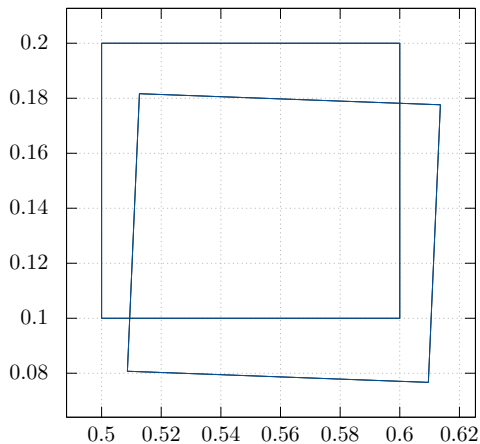
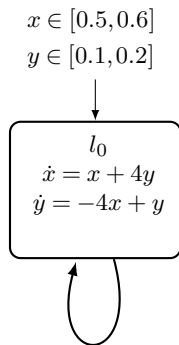
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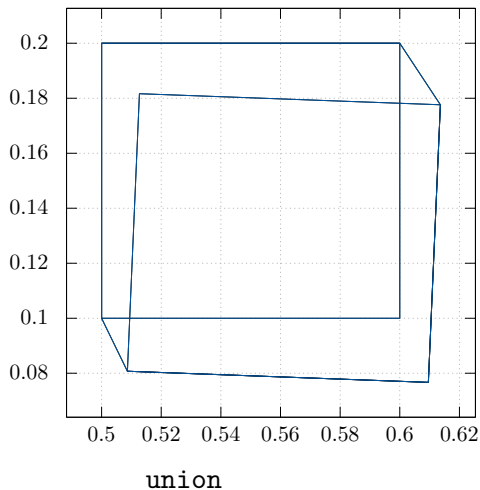
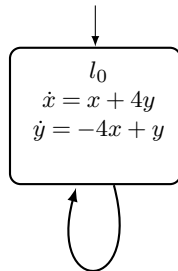
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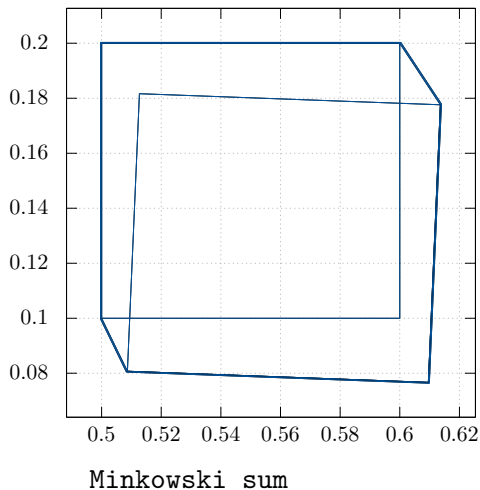
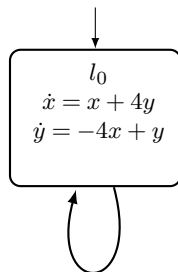
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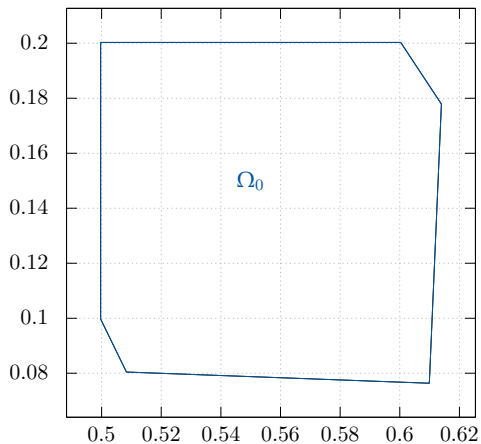
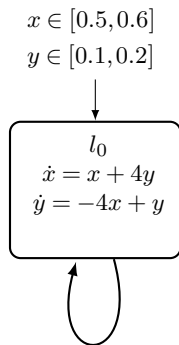
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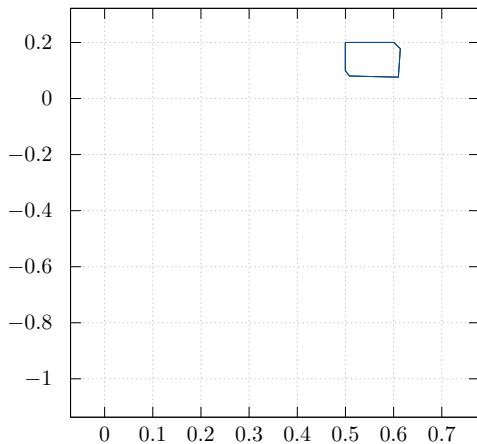
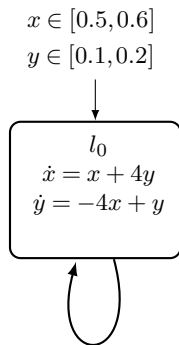
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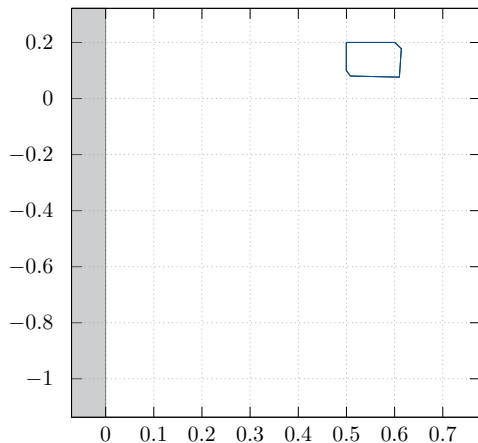
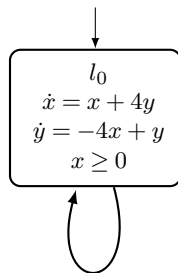
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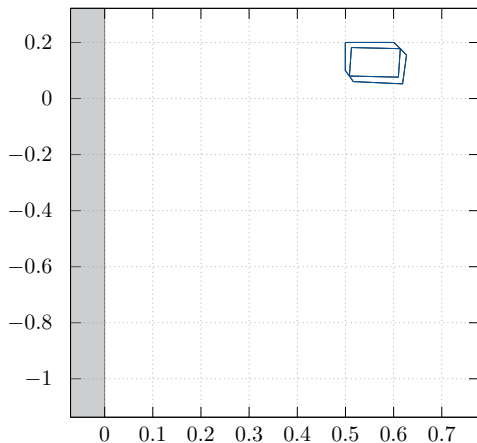
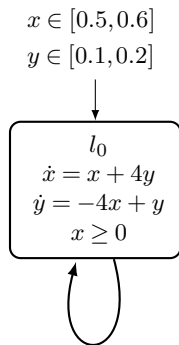
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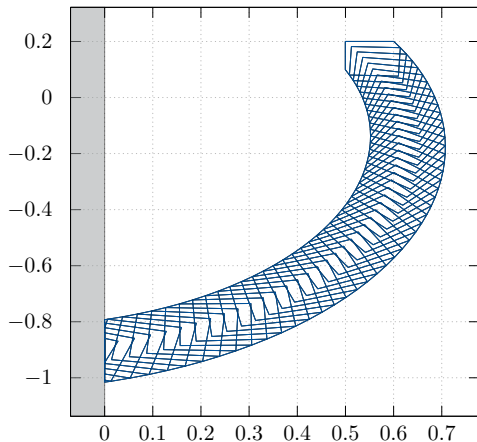
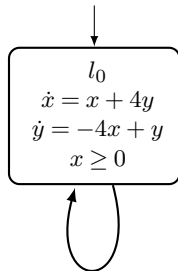
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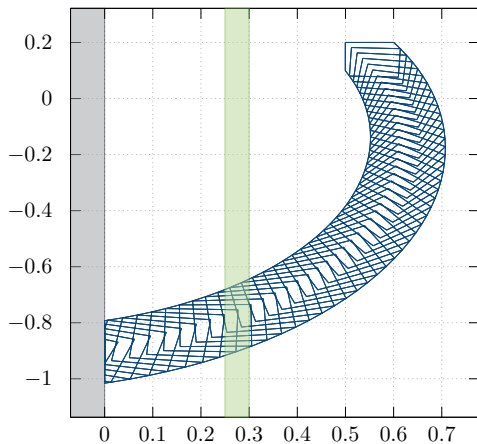
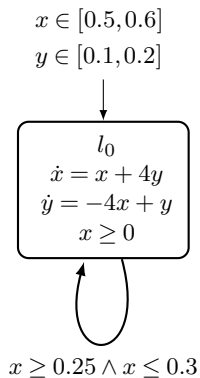
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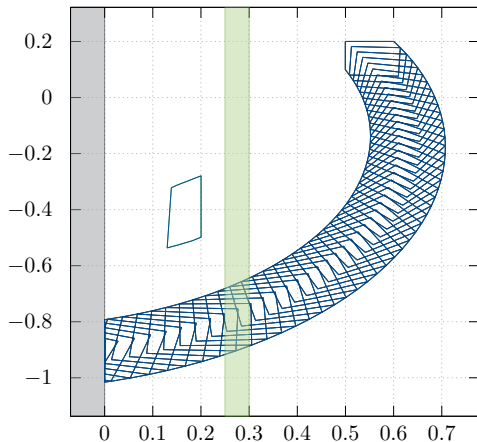
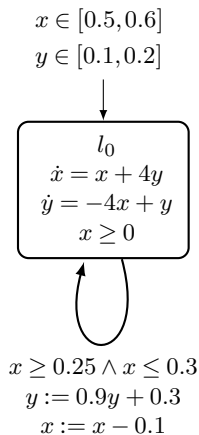
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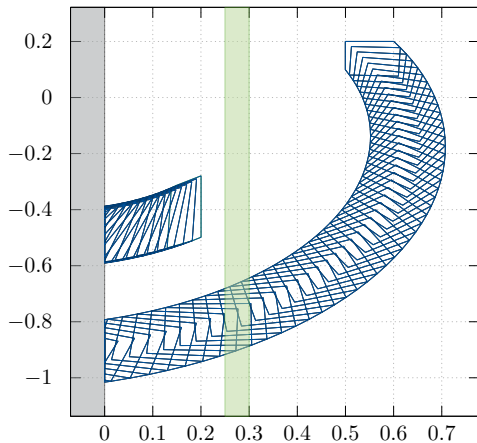
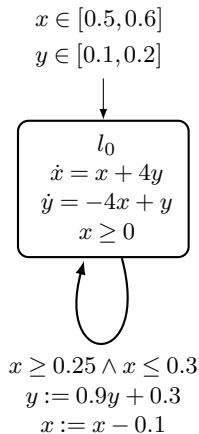
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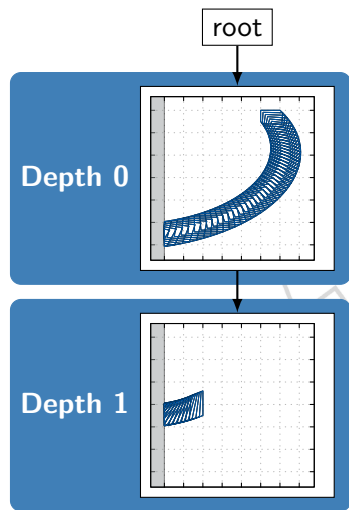
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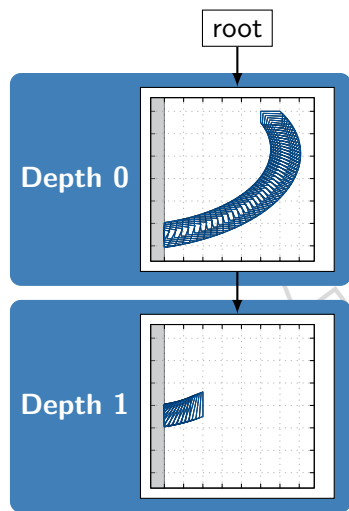
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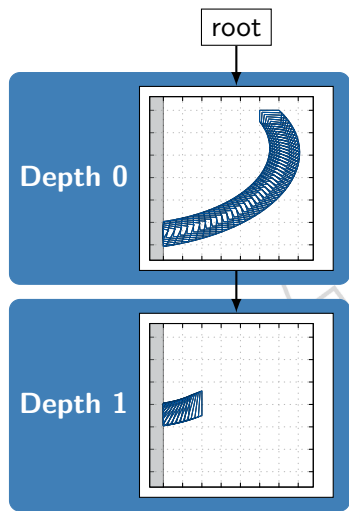
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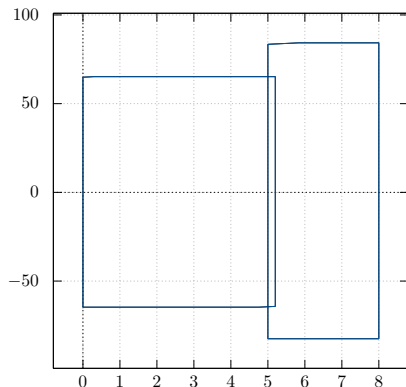
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- Time step size
- State set representation
- Aggregation settings



Analysis parameters – examples

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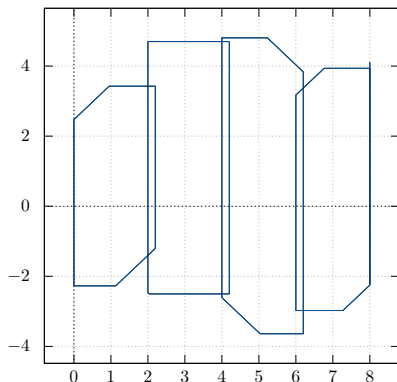


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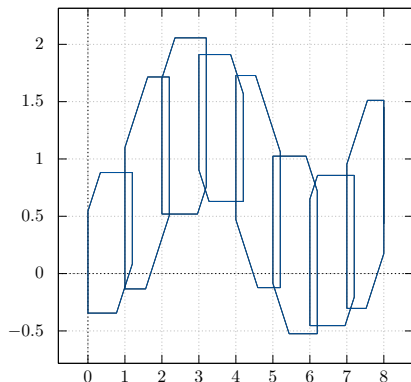


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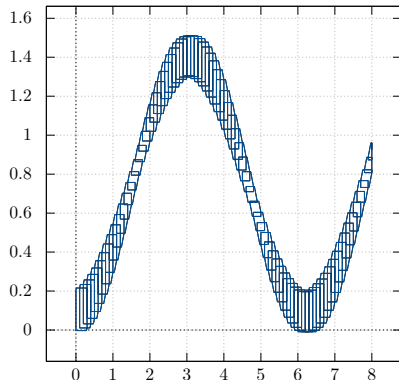


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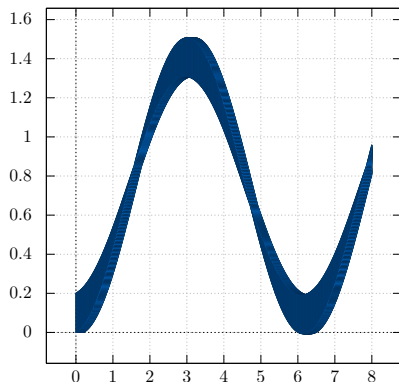


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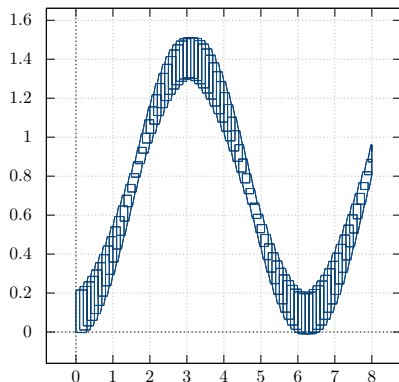


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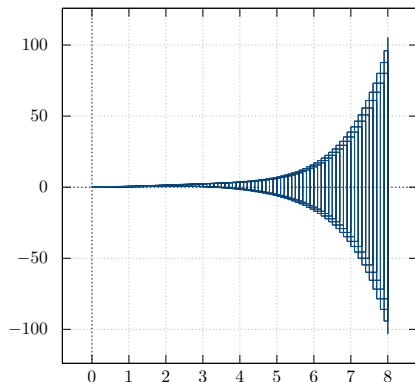


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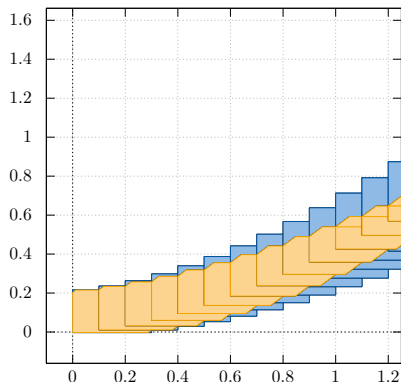


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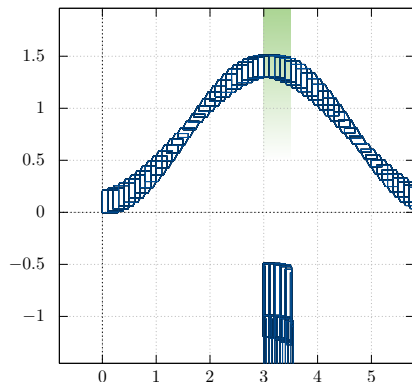


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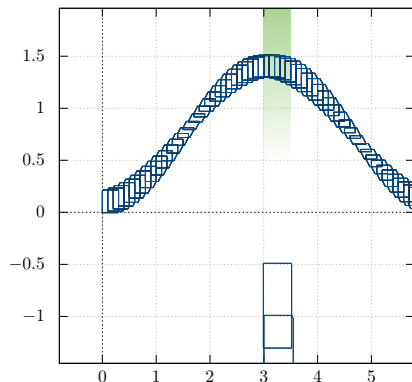


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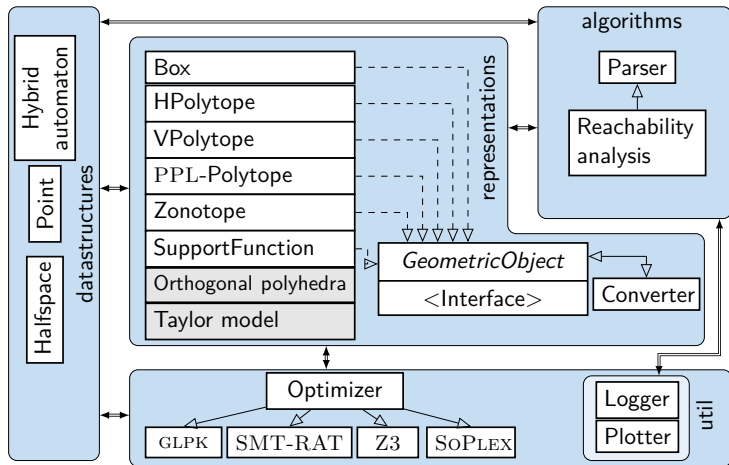
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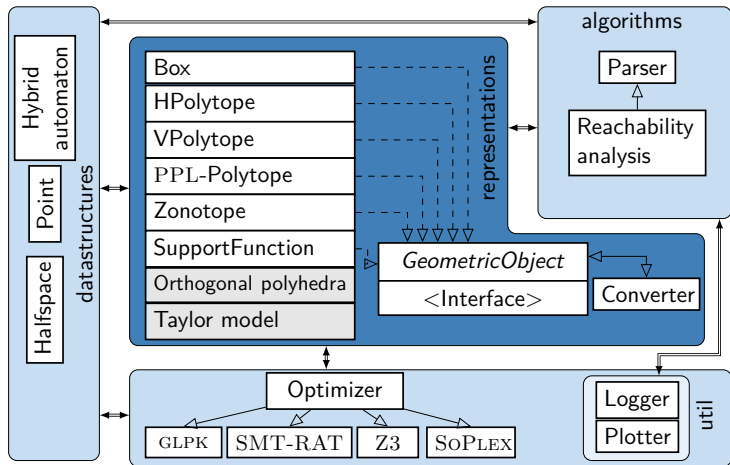
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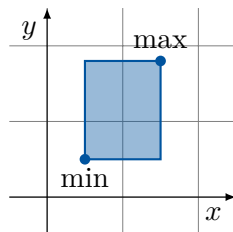
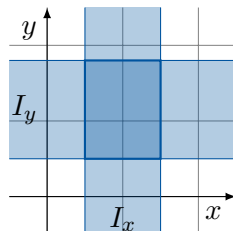
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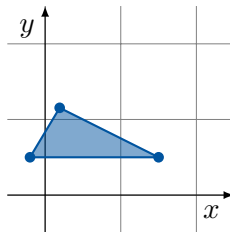
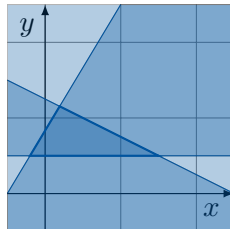
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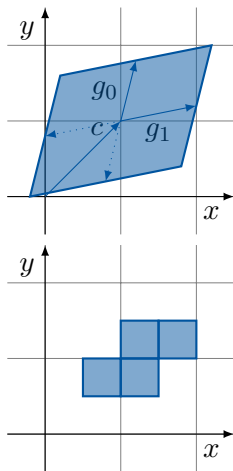
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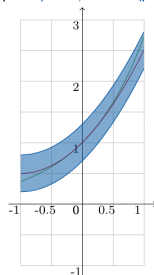
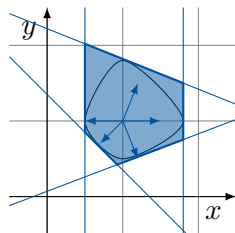


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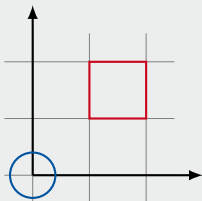
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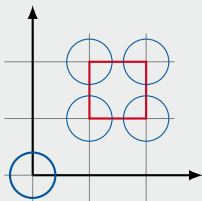
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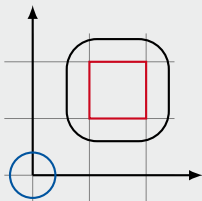
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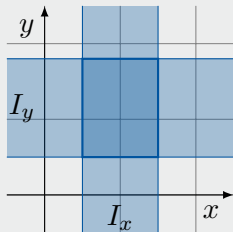


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Definition: box [MKC09]

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Where \mathbb{I} is the set of all real-valued intervals

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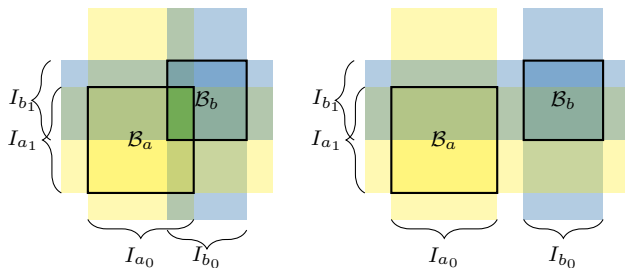
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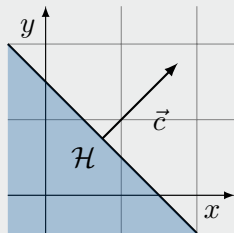
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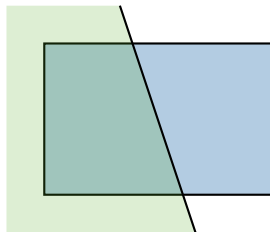
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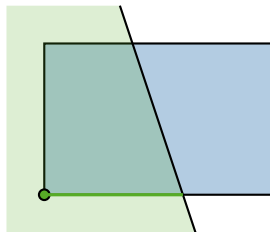
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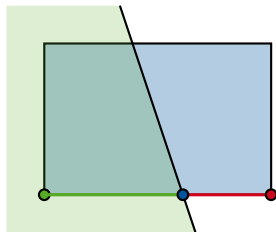
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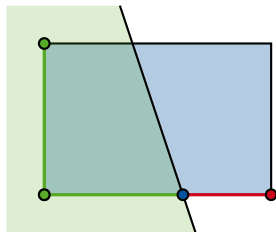
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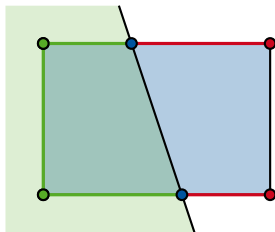
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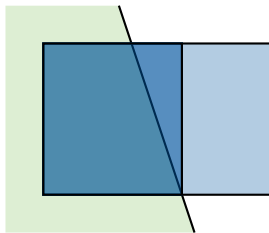
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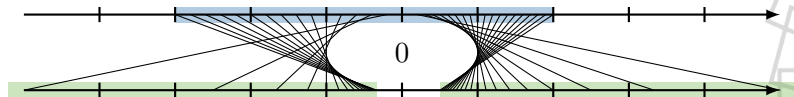
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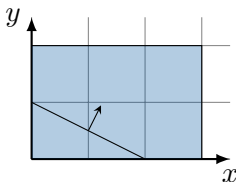
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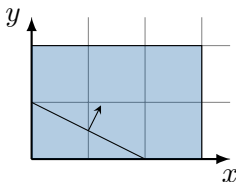
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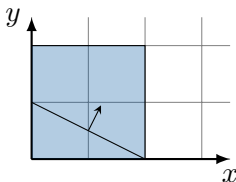
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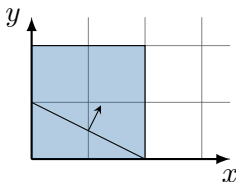
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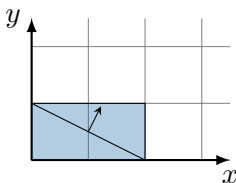
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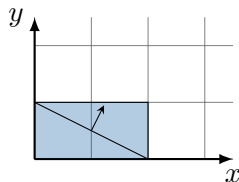
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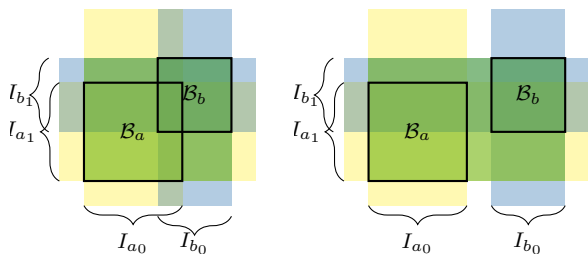
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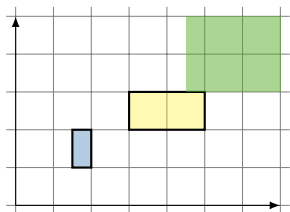
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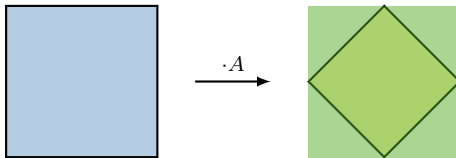
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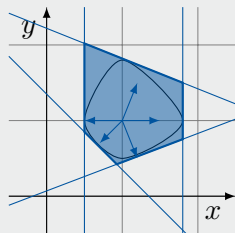
Approaches:

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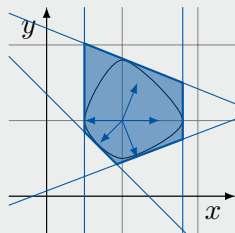
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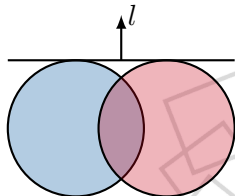
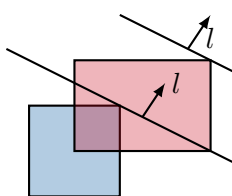
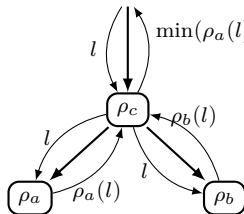
- implemented as tree structure (see next slides)
- operations are cheap, reduced overhead
- scale well in higher dimensions
- well developed (see e.g. [LGG10, FKL13, FGD⁺11, LG09])



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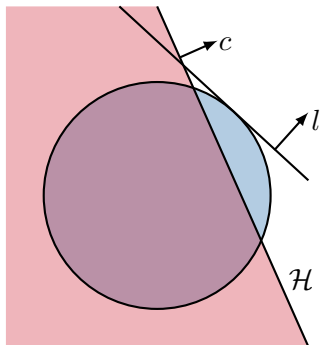


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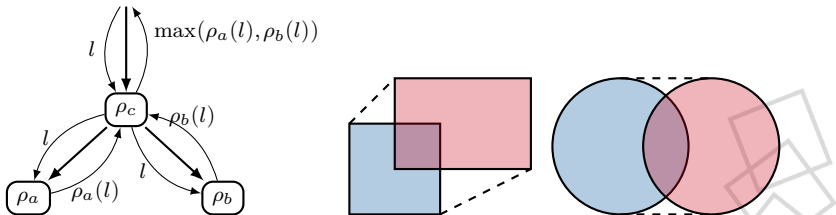
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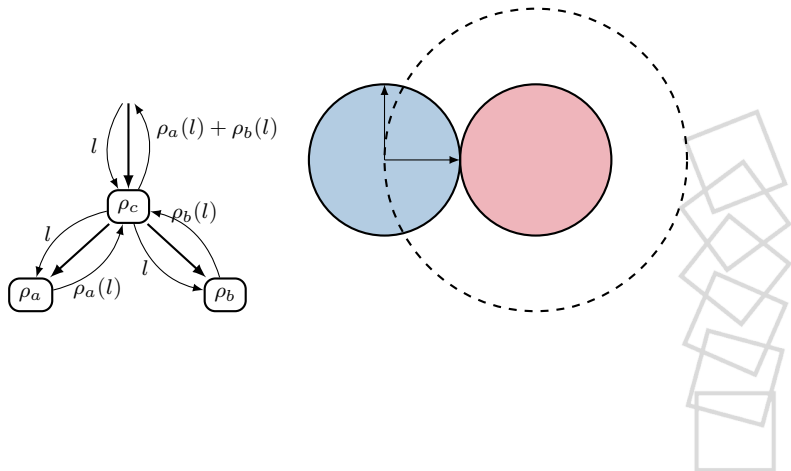


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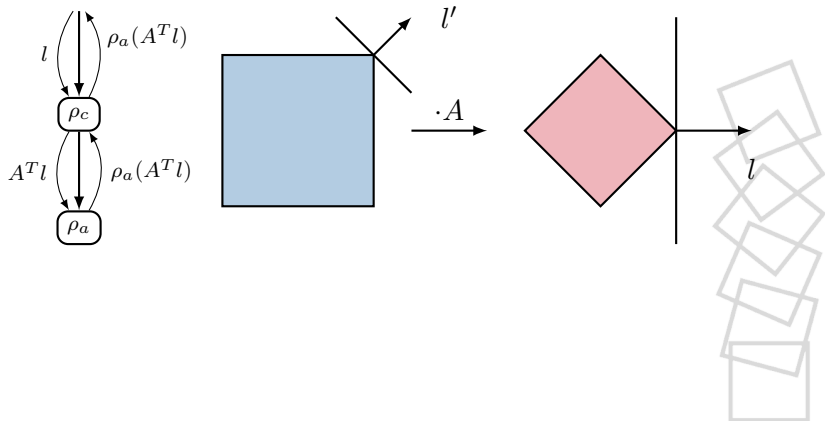
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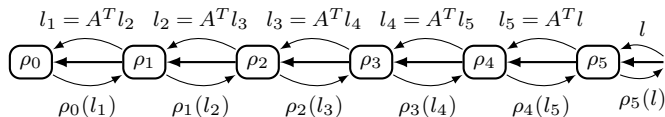
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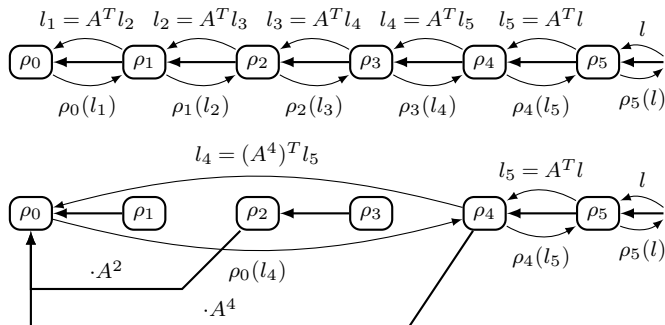
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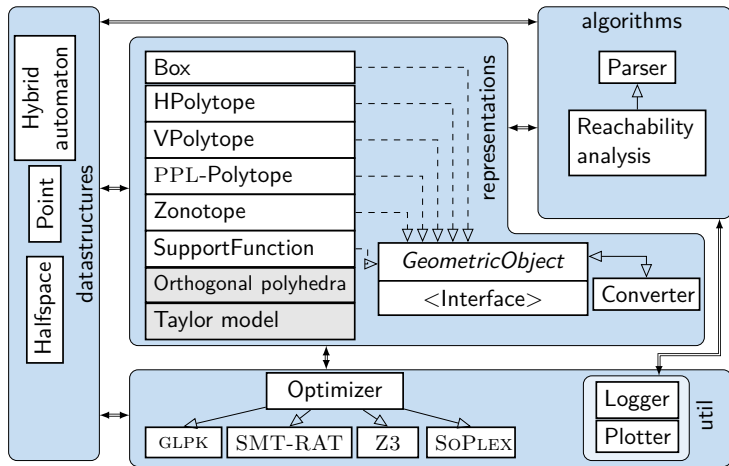


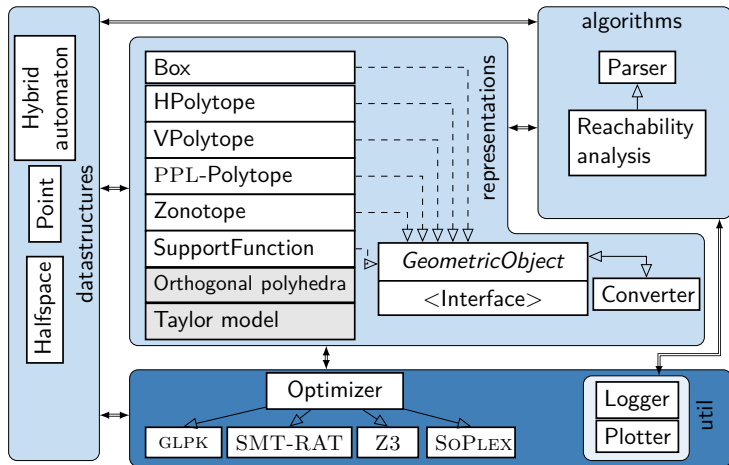
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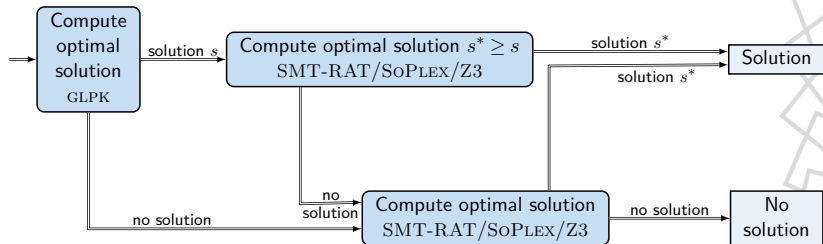
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HYPRO can use different number implementations via templates (supported: `cln::cl_RA`, `mpq_class`, `double`).

Obstacles:

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- exact linear optimization expensive

↪ combined application



Utility

Additional features of HYPRO:

- datastructures for e.g. hybrid automata, state, point, halfspace
- parser for FLOW*-based syntax
- GNUPLOT plotting interface (pdf, eps and tex)
- logging

Reachability analysis methods:

- Linear hybrid automata
- Singular automata
- Rectangular automata
- Timed automata



Demo



Thermostat⁵

We model and analyze a thermostat according to the following specifications:

- Can either be *on* (initially) or *off*
- Temperature x changes accordingly: $\dot{x} = 50 - x$ (on), $\dot{x} = 10 - x$ (off)
- Switches from on to off when $x \in [20, 25]$
- Switches off to on when $x \in [16, 18]$



⁵<https://www.digitalcity.wien/even-thermostats-have-a-heart/>

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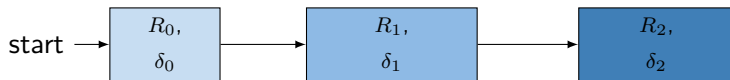
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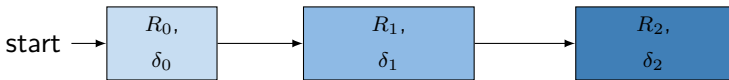
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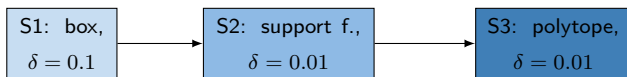
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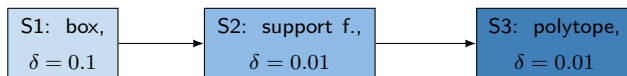
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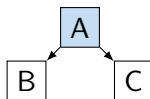


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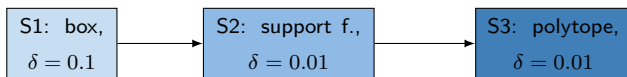


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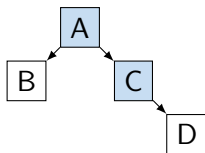


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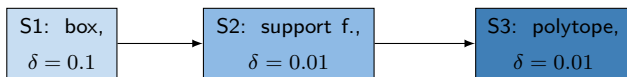


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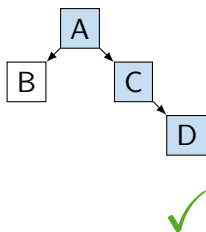


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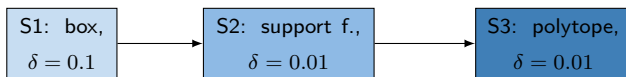


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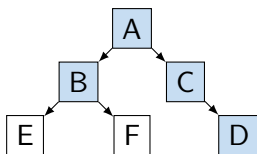


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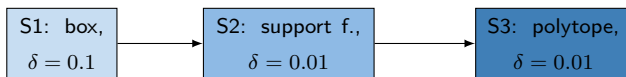


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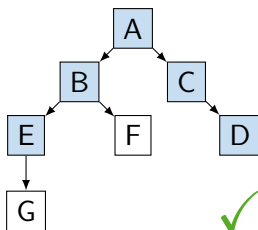


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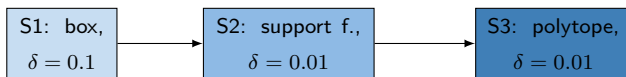


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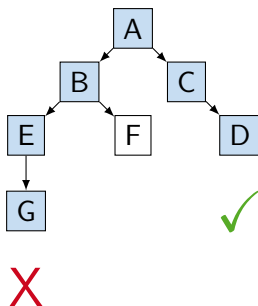


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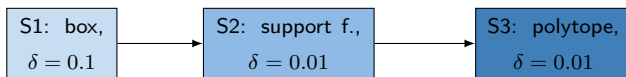


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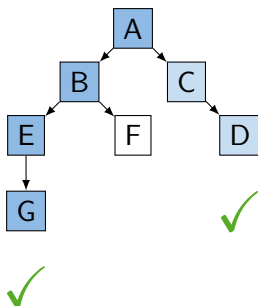


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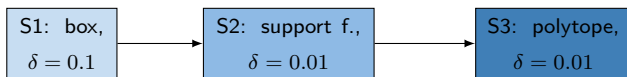


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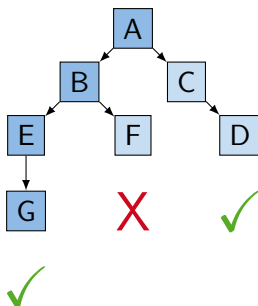


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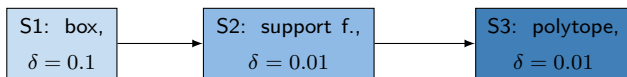


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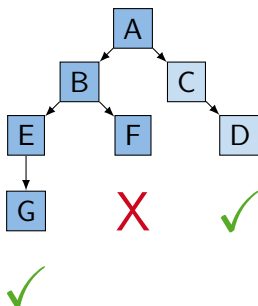


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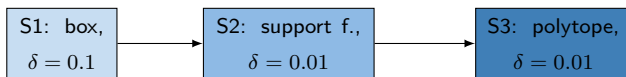


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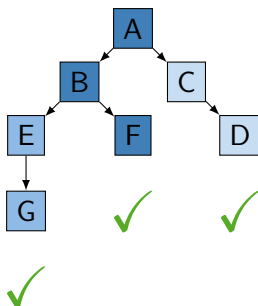


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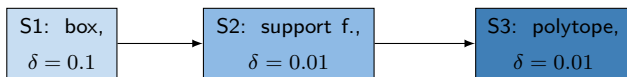


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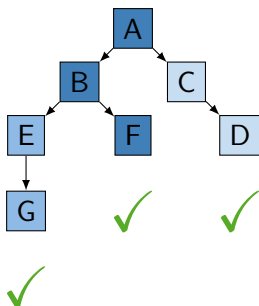


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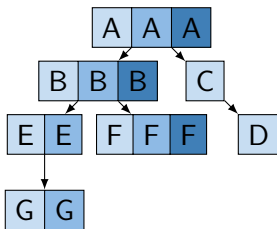
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Variation of parameter settings influences the shape (number of child nodes) of the search tree.

- Aggregation settings
- Spurious branches (over-approximation)

Approaches:

- Keep separate trees for each refinement → inefficient for backtracking
- Keep separate trees but link nodes → management overhead
- Create multi-level tree



Tree-updates

Update increases number of child nodes:



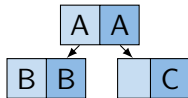
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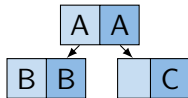
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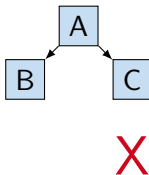


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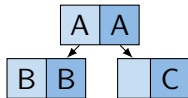


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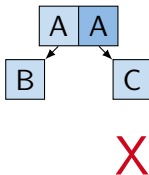


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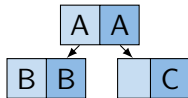


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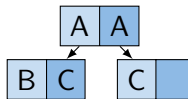


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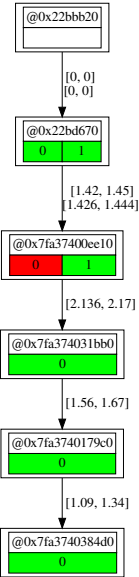
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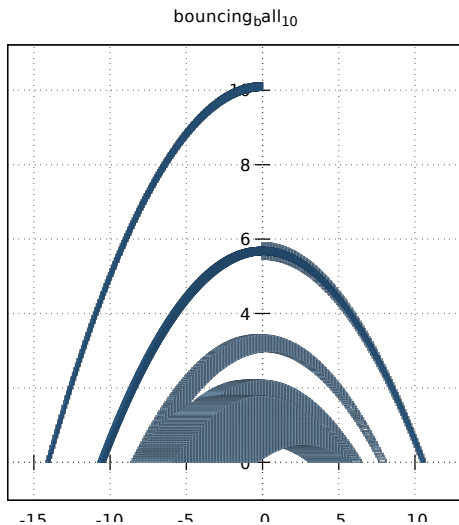
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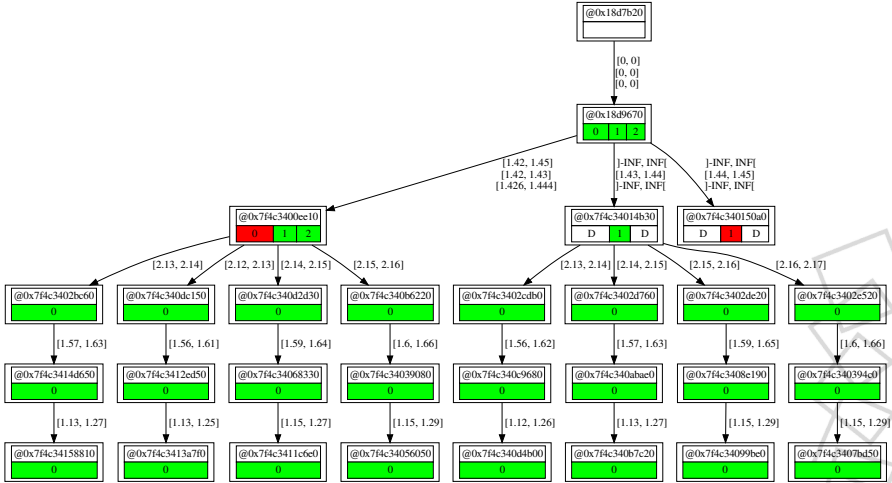
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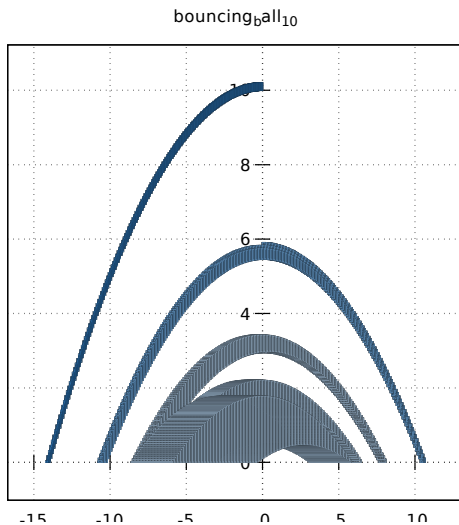
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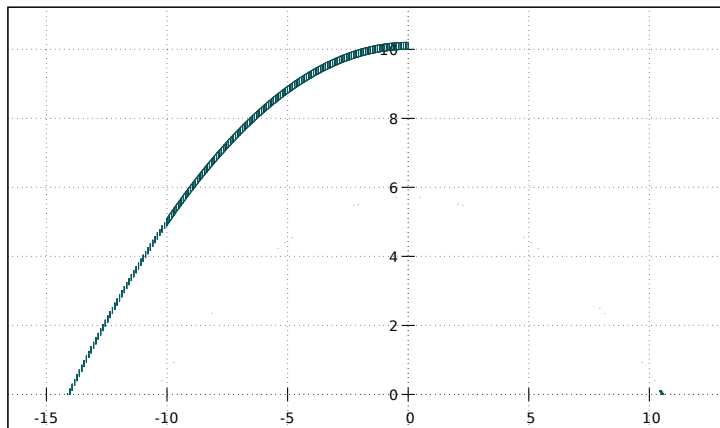


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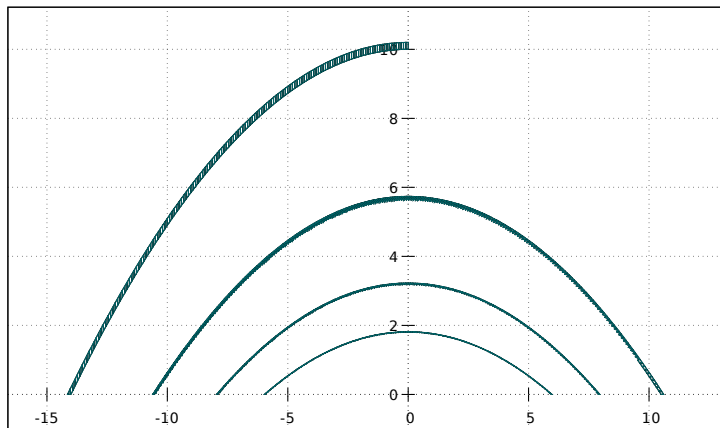


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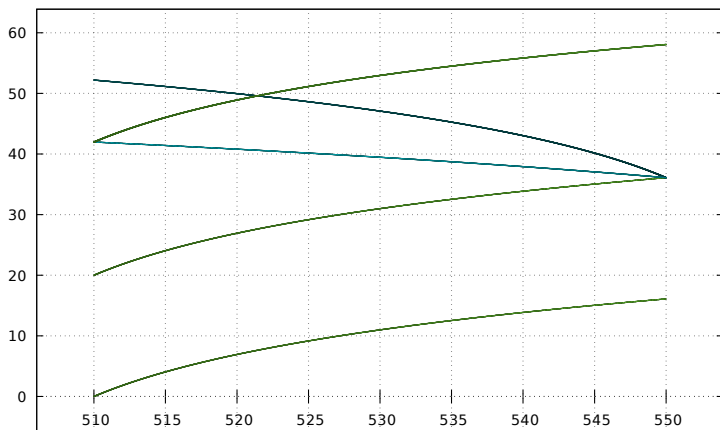
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Examples



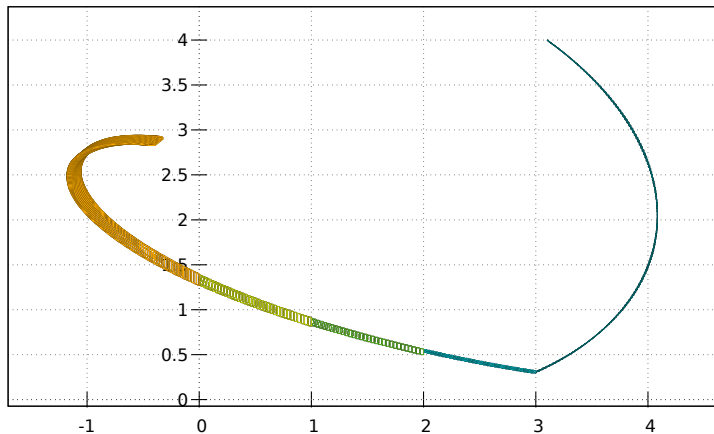
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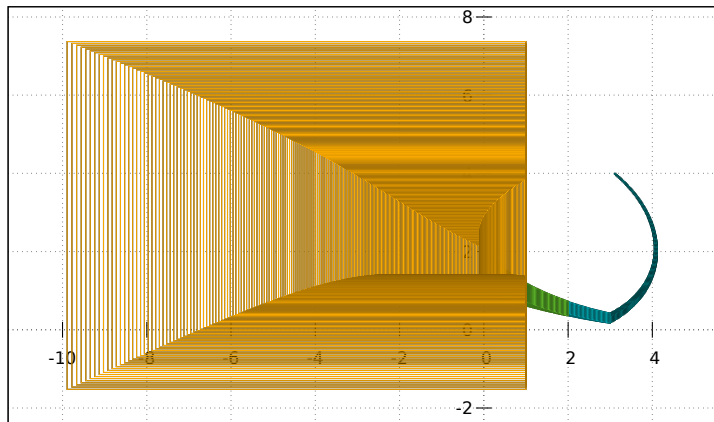
Rod reactor, **box**, **double glpk-only**, $T = 17$, $\delta = 0.01$, 2 jumps

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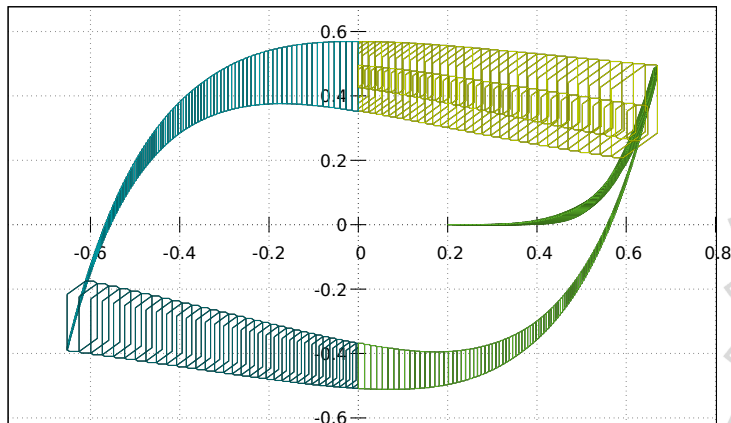
5-D switching system, support function, double glpk-only, $T = 0.2$,
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Examples



5-D switching system, **boxes**, **double glpk-only**, $T = 0.2$, $\delta = 0.001$, 4 jumps

Examples



Filtered oscillator, support function, double glpk-only, $T = 4$, $\delta = 0.01$, 5 jumps