



# Design and Analysis of Real-Time Systems

Foundations of Abstract Interpretation II

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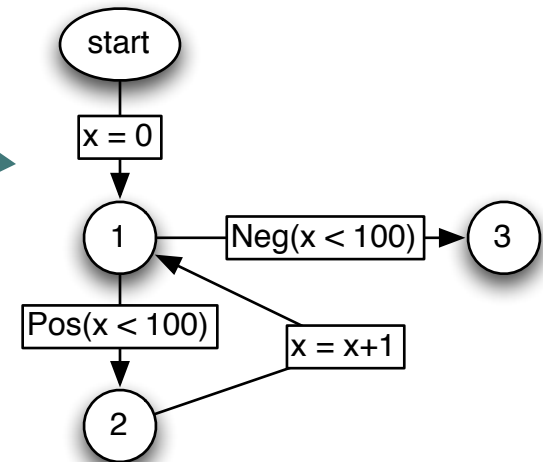
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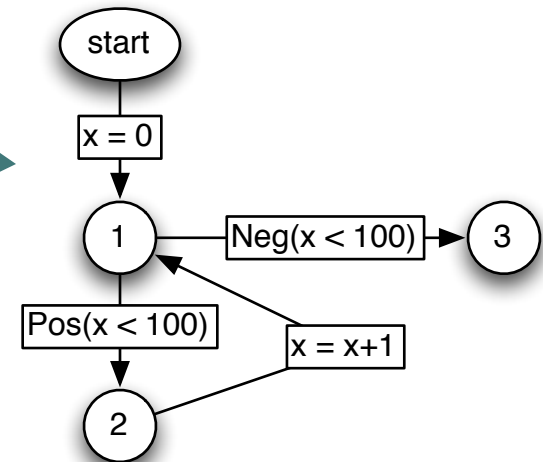
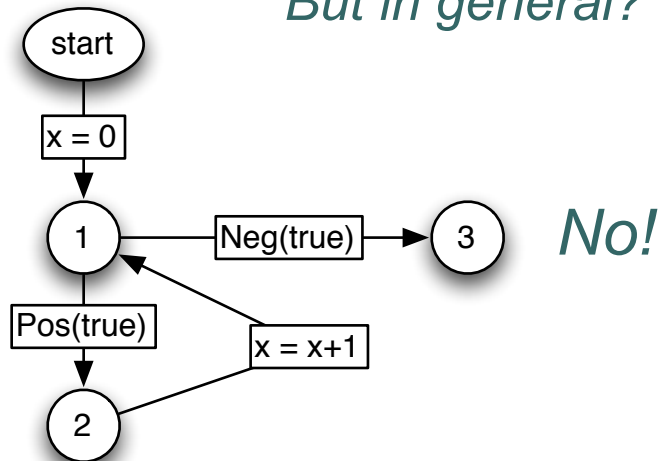
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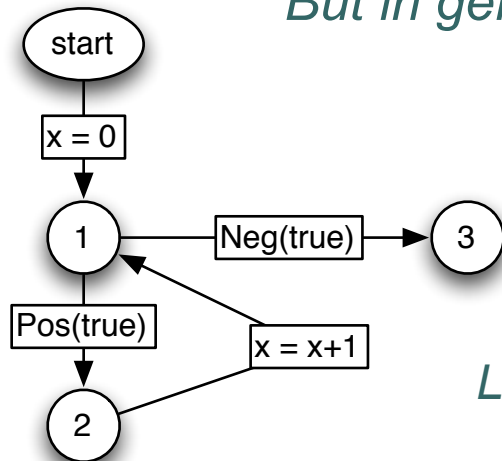
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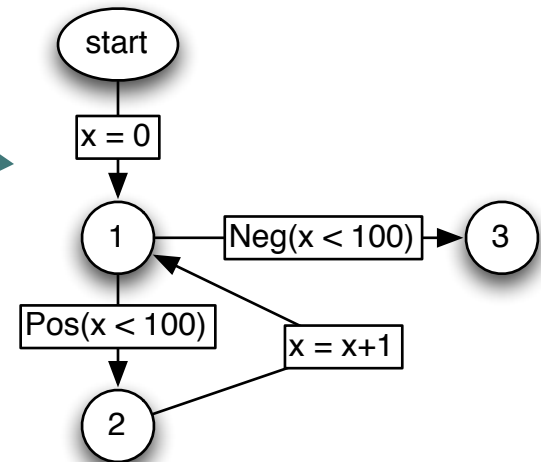
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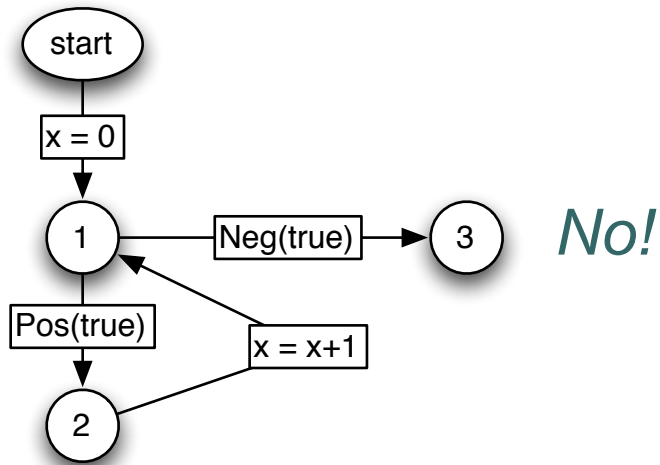
*No!*



*Lattice has infinite ascending chains.*

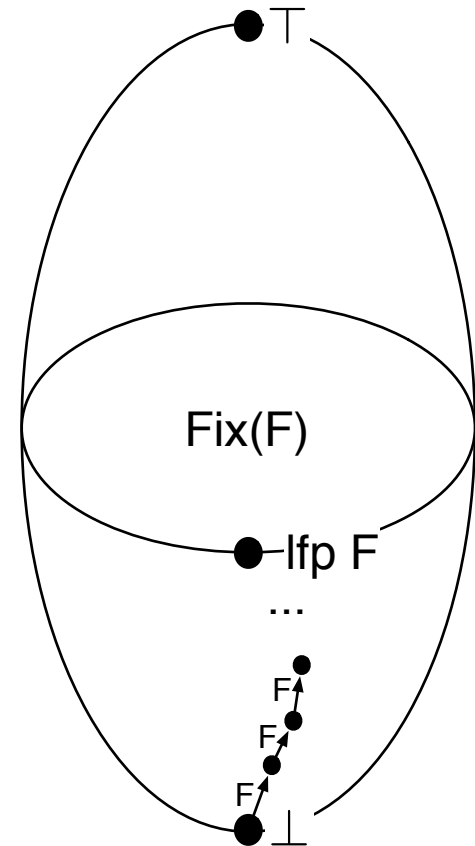


# Infinite Ascending Chains



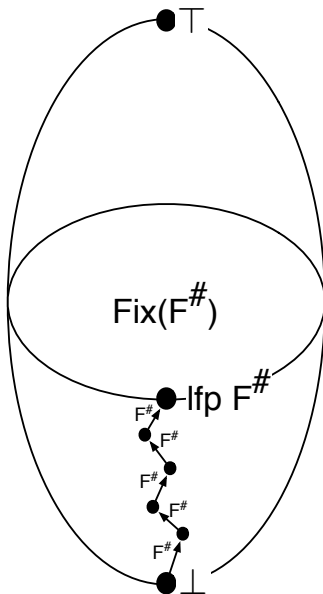
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*Think of an example of an infinite ascending chain.*



# Ascending Chain Condition

A partially-ordered set  $S$  satisfies the *ascending chain condition* if every strictly ascending sequence of elements is finite.



## Theorem (Ascending Chain Condition):

Let  $(S, \leq)$  be a complete lattice set that satisfies the ascending chain condition, and let  $f : S \rightarrow S$  be a monotone function. Then, there is an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that

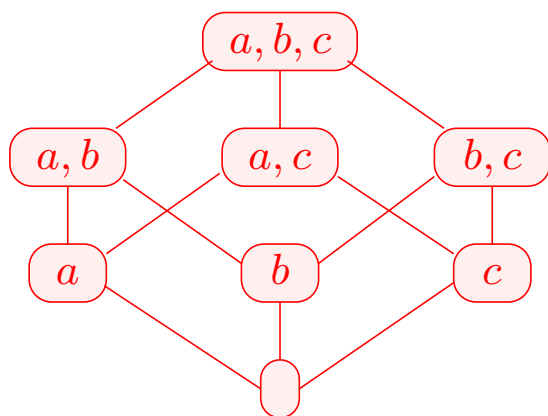
$$\text{lfp } f = f^n(\perp).$$

→ Length of longest ascending chain determines worst-case complexity of Kleene Iteration.

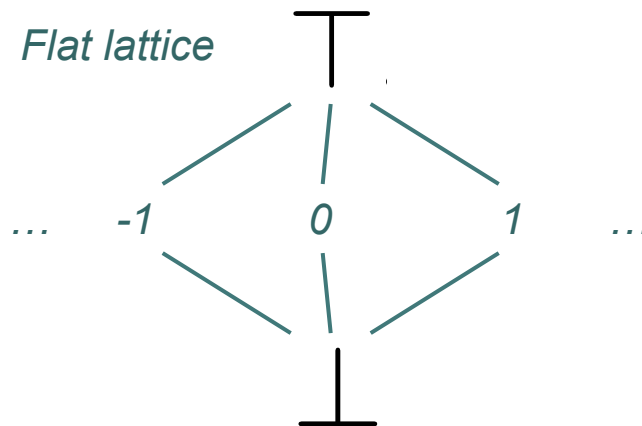
# Ascending Chain Condition: Examples

A partially-ordered set  $S$  satisfies the *ascending chain condition* if every strictly ascending sequence of elements is finite.

*Power set lattice*



*Flat lattice*



→ *Ascending chain condition does not imply finite partially-ordered set!*

*How about total function space lattice?*

*How about finite partially-ordered sets?*



## Recap: Abstract Interpretation

- Semantics-based approach to program analysis
- Framework to develop provably correct and terminating analyses

Ingredients:

- Concrete semantics: Formalizes meaning of a program ✓
- Abstract semantics
- Both semantics defined as fixpoints of monotone functions over some domain (✓)
- Relation between the two semantics establishing correctness



# Abstract Semantics

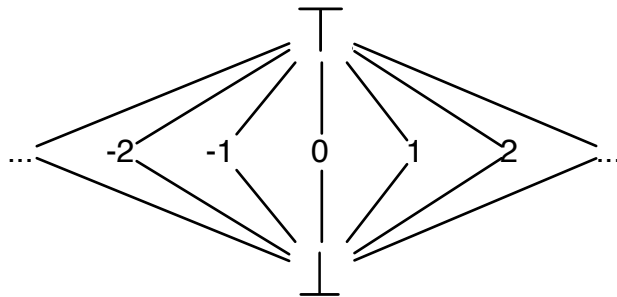
Similar to concrete semantics:

- A **complete lattice**  $(L^\#, \leq)$  as the domain for abstract elements
- A **monotone function**  $F^\#$  corresponding to the concrete function  $F$
- Then the abstract semantics is the **least fixed point** of  $F^\#$ ,  $\text{lfp } F^\#$

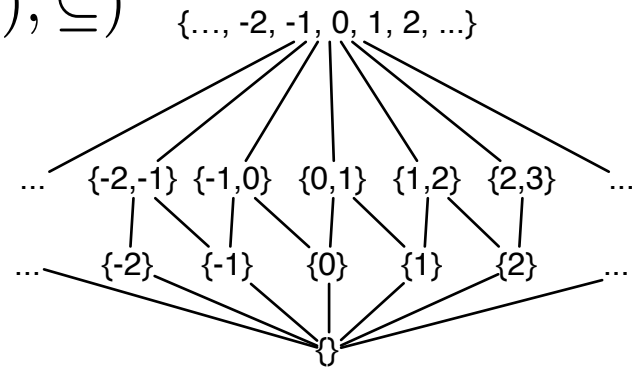
If  $F^\#$  “correctly approximates”  $F$ ,  
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# An Example Abstract Domain for Values of Variables

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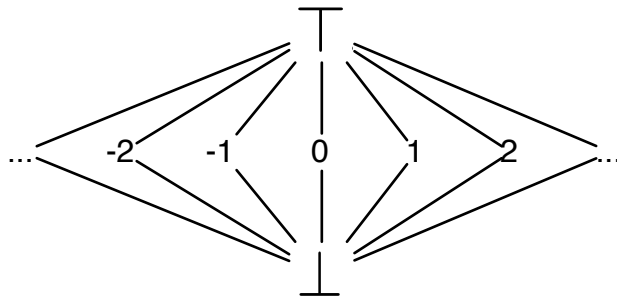


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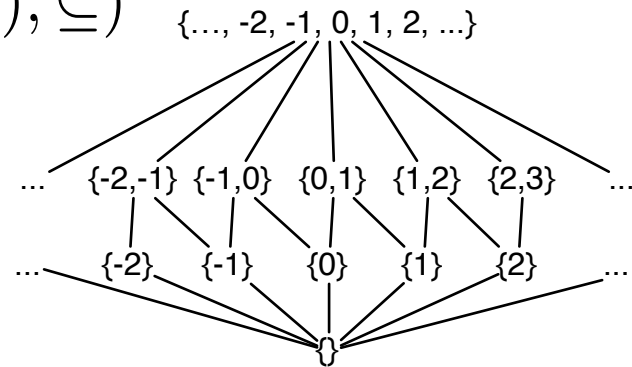
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*How to relate the two?*

➔ *Concretization function, specifying “meaning” of abstract values.*

$$\gamma : \mathbb{Z}_{\perp}^{\top} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z})$$

➔ *Abstraction function: determines best representation concrete values.*

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$$\gamma(\top)$$

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1. *Are these functions monotone?*
2. *Should they be?*
3. *What is the meaning of the partial order in the abstract domain?*
4. *What if we first abstract and then concretize?*



# How to Compute in the Abstract Domain

## Example: Multiplication on Flat Lattice

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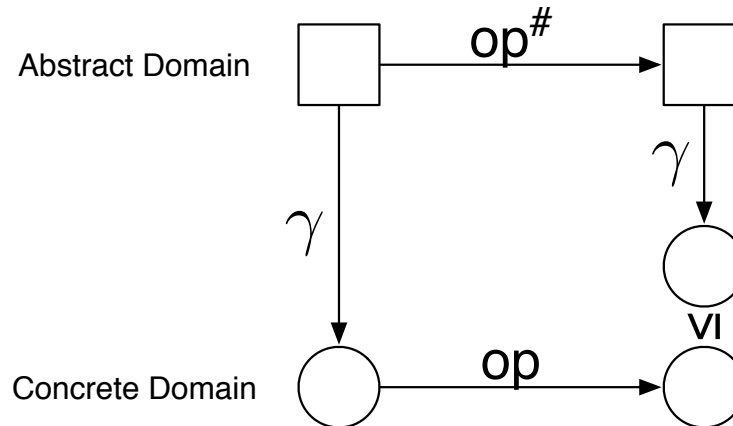
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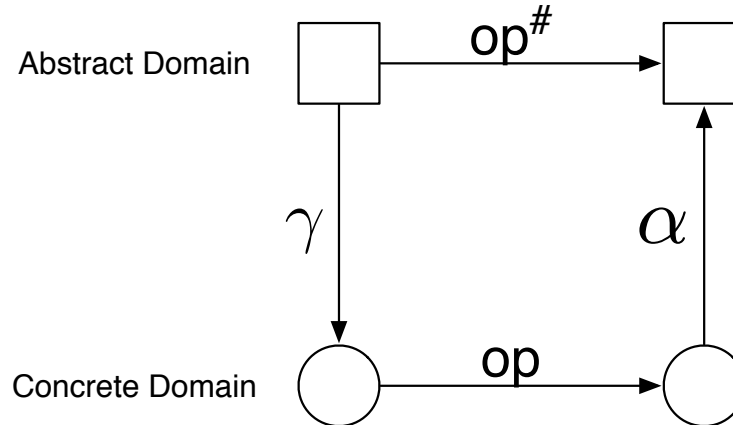
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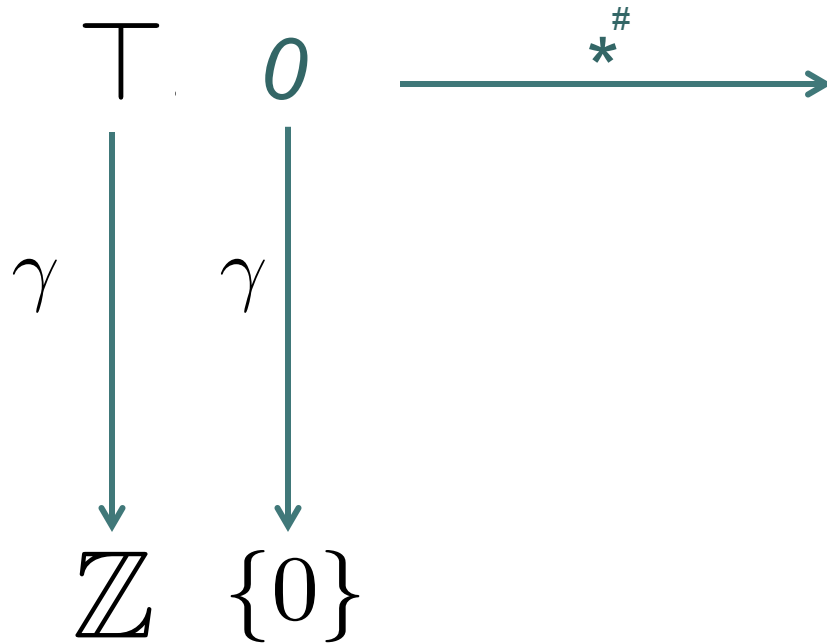
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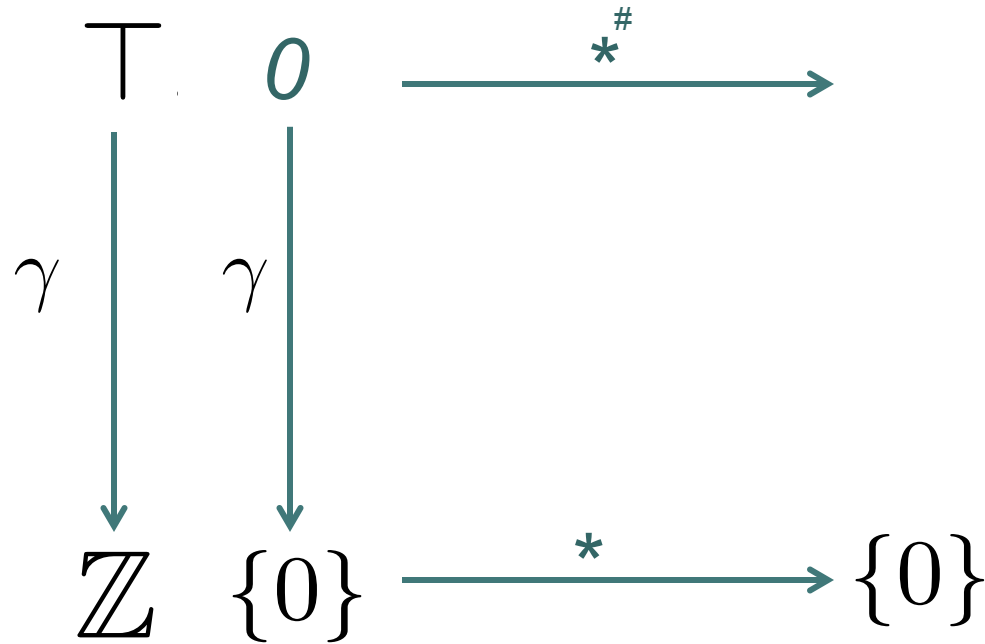
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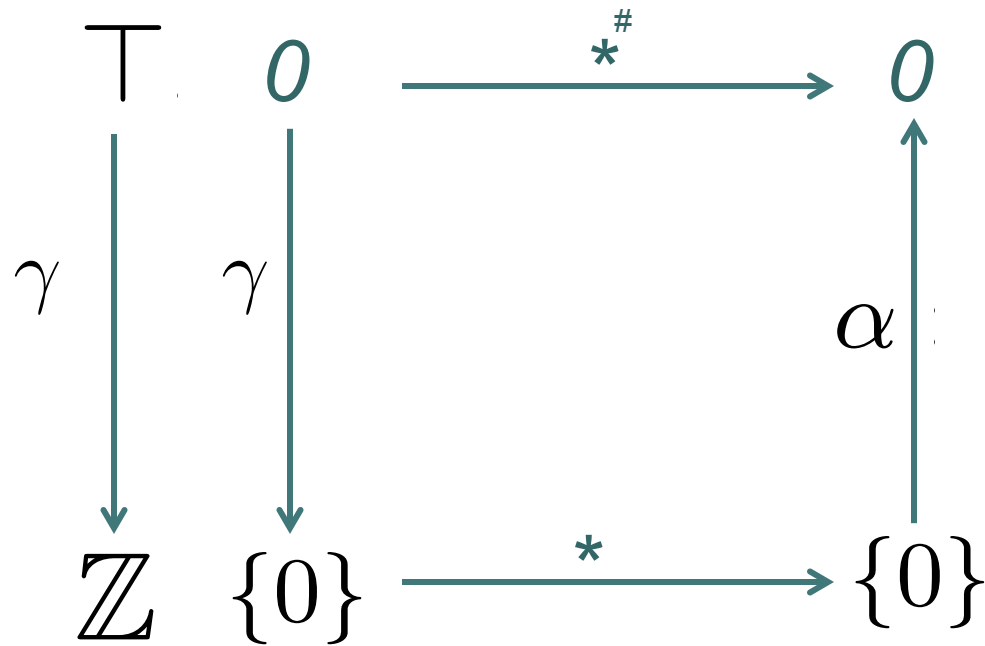
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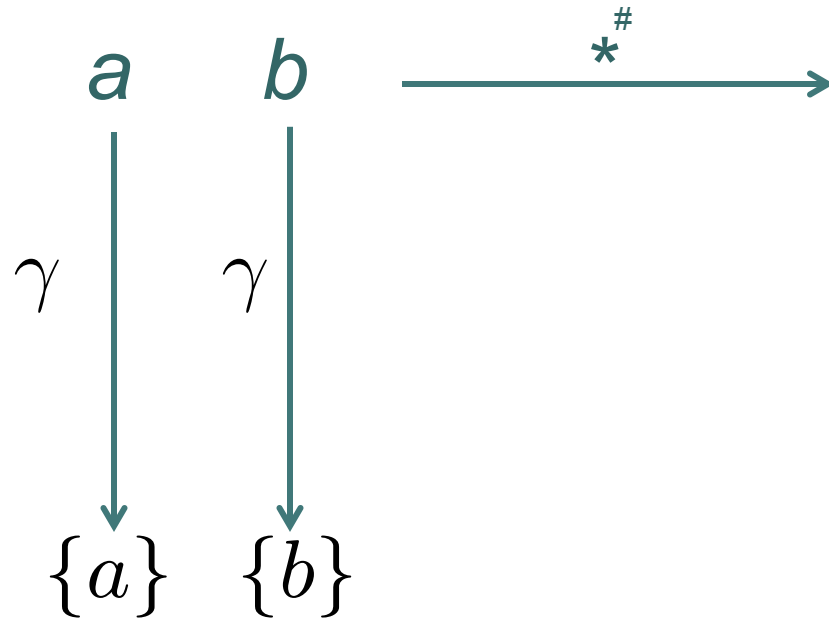
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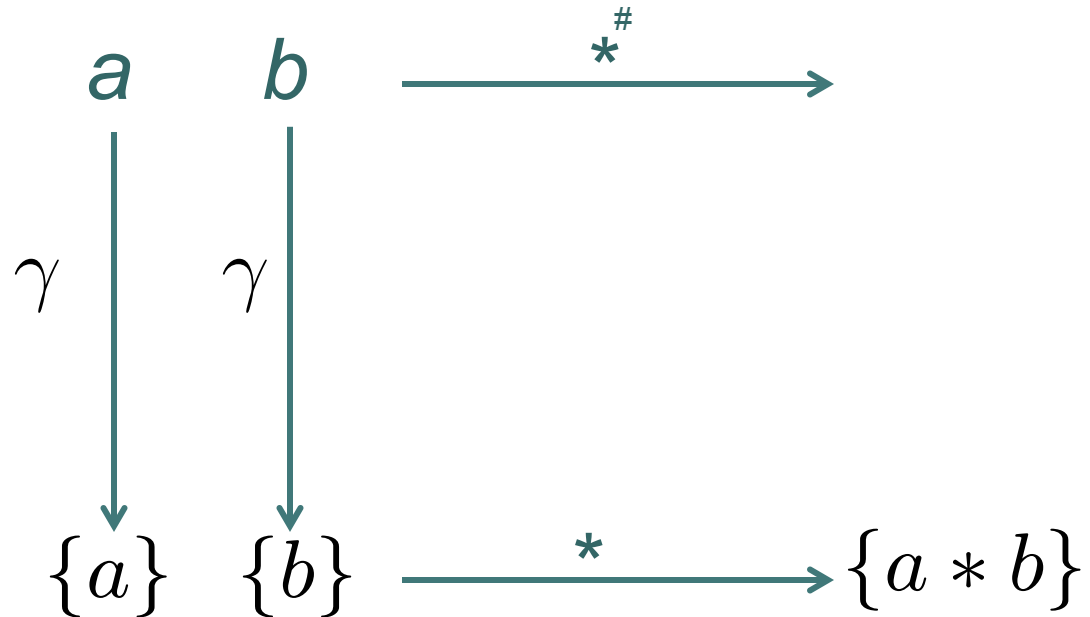
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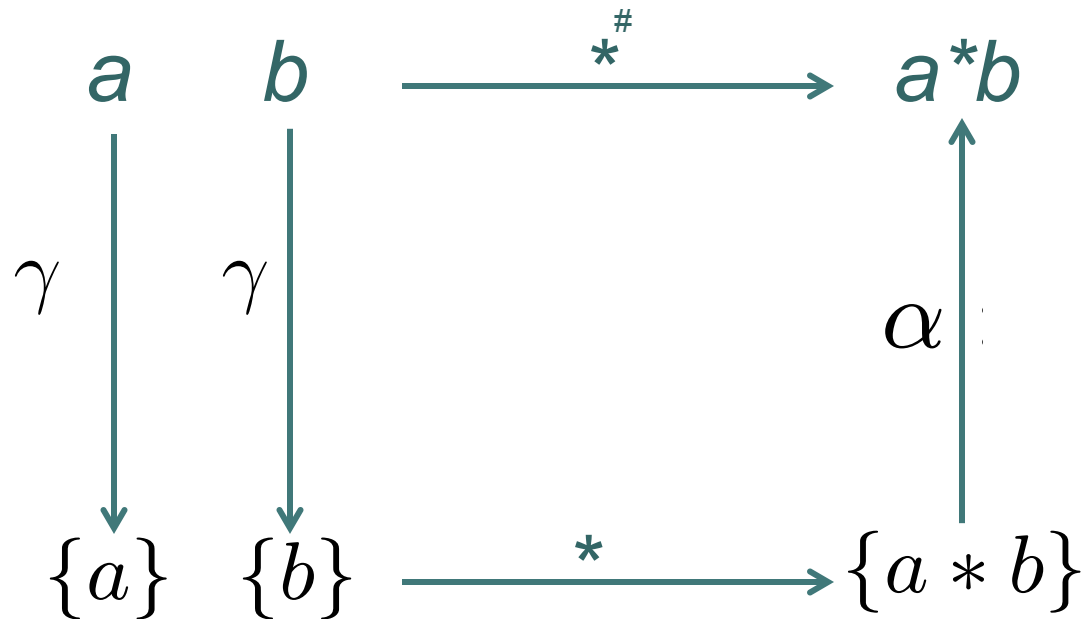
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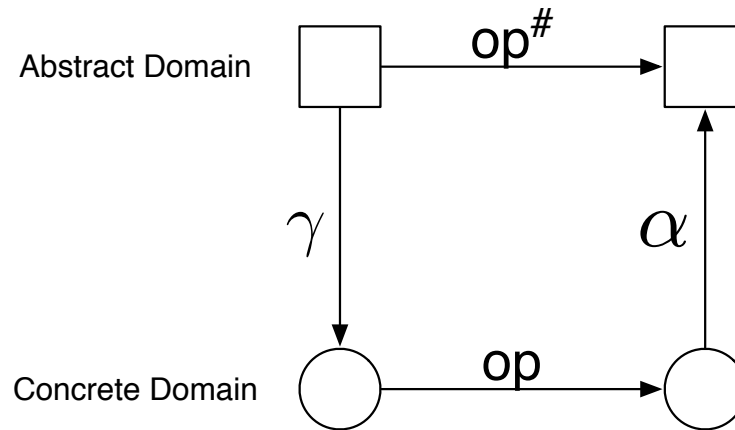
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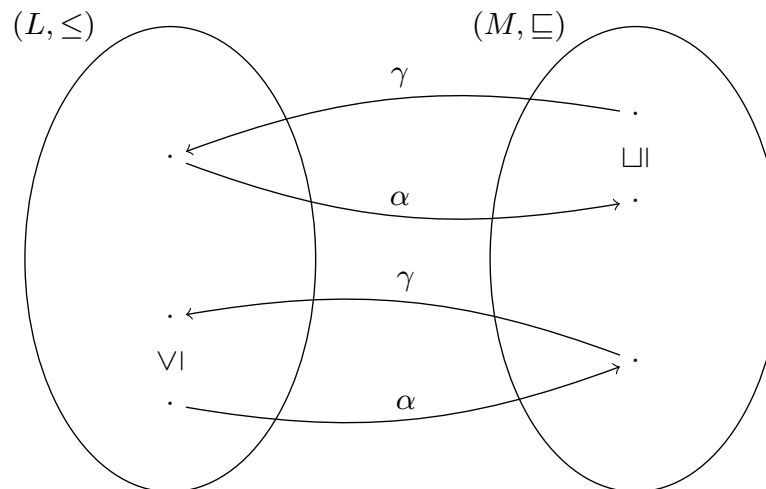
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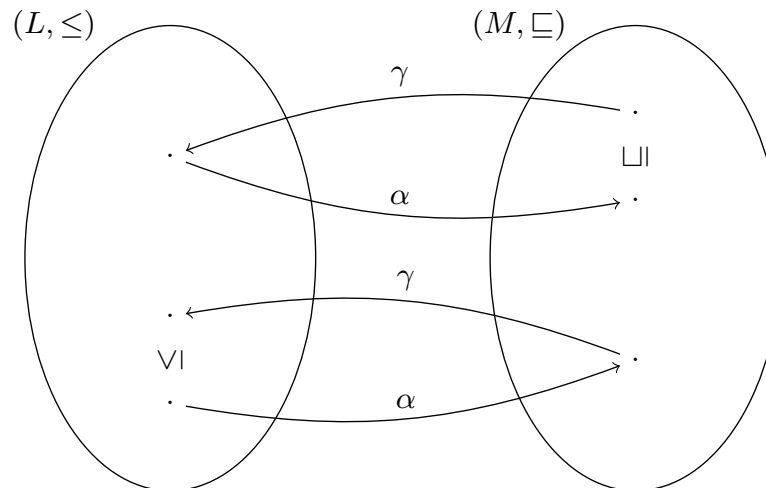
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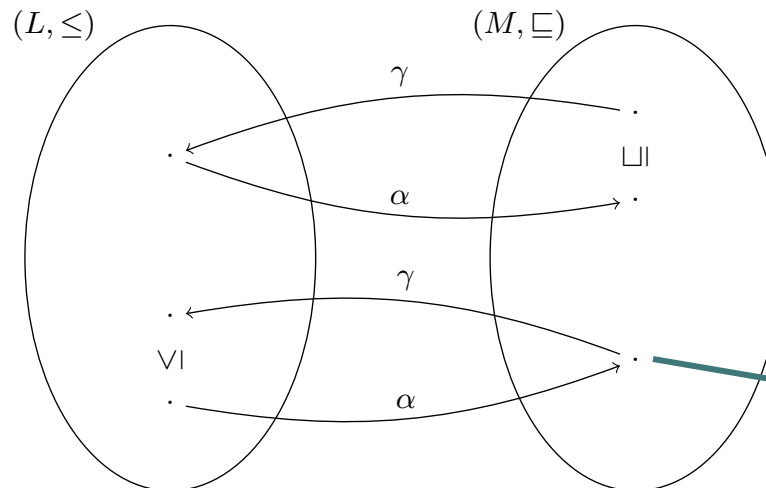
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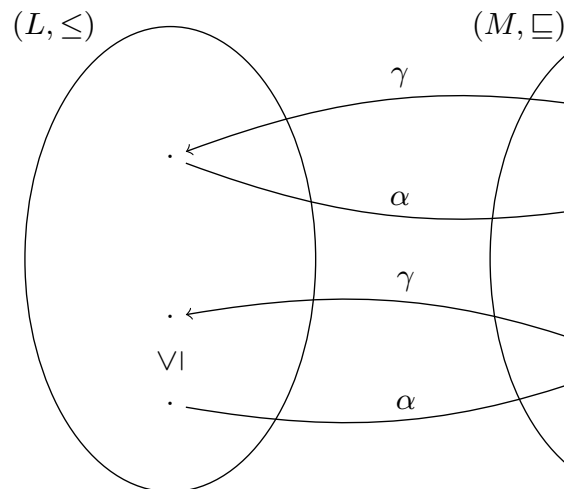
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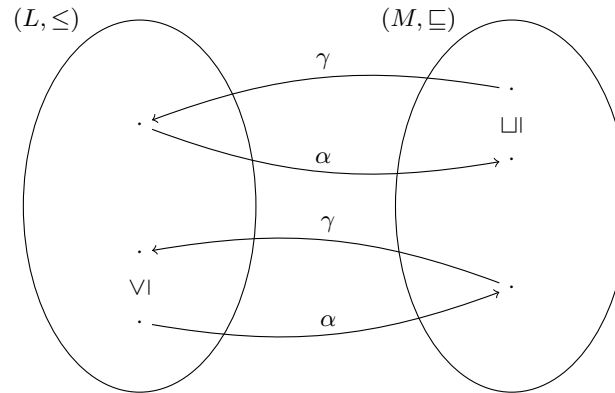


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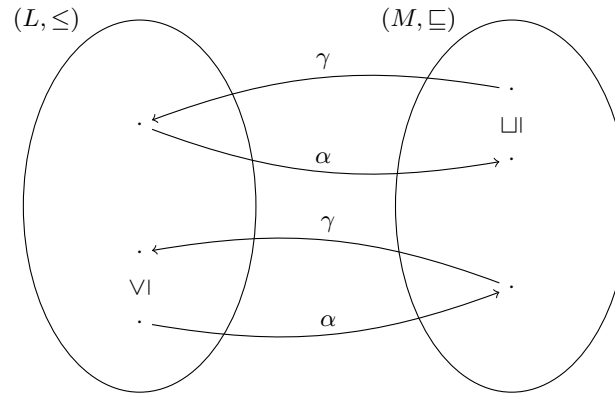


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*Reachability semantics is defined on **sets of states**:*

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*Relation between the two?*

*→ For ease of understanding,  
introduce Intermediate domain:*

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Abstraction and  
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Could plug in other  
abstractions for  
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*Galois connections  
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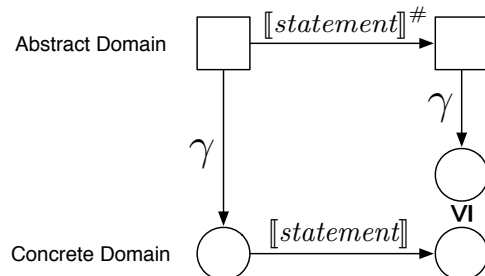
$$\llbracket Pos(e) \rrbracket^\#(\hat{a}) := \hat{a}$$

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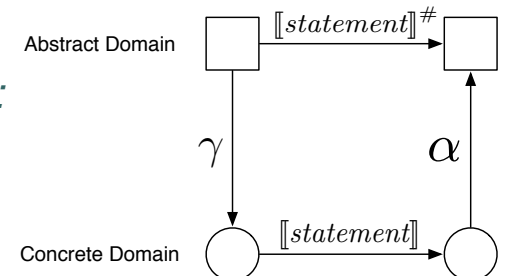
Can this be done better?

Again:

For Correctness:



For the best possible precision:







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*As we have  
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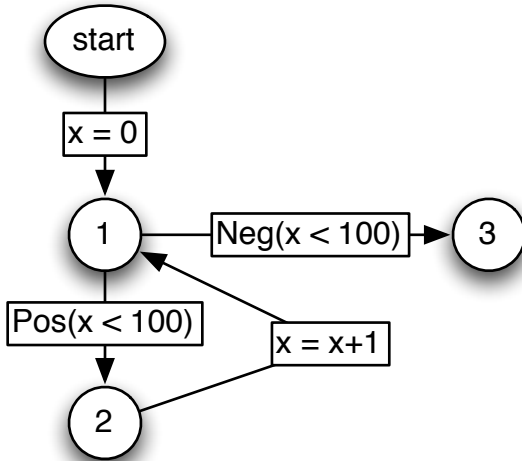
# Putting it all together: The Abstract Reachability Semantics

*Abstract Reachability Semantics captured as **least fixed point** of:*

$$\widehat{Reach} : V \rightarrow \widehat{States}$$

$$\widehat{Reach}(start) = \top$$

$$\forall v' \in V \setminus \{start\} : \widehat{Reach}(v') = \bigsqcup_{v \in V, (v, v') \in E} \llbracket labeling(v, v') \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(v))$$



$$\widehat{Reach}(1) = \llbracket labeling(start, 1) \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(start)) \sqcup \llbracket labeling(2, 1) \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(2))$$

$$\widehat{Reach}(2) = \llbracket labeling(1, 2) \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(1))$$

$$\widehat{Reach}(3) = \llbracket labeling(1, 3) \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(1))$$

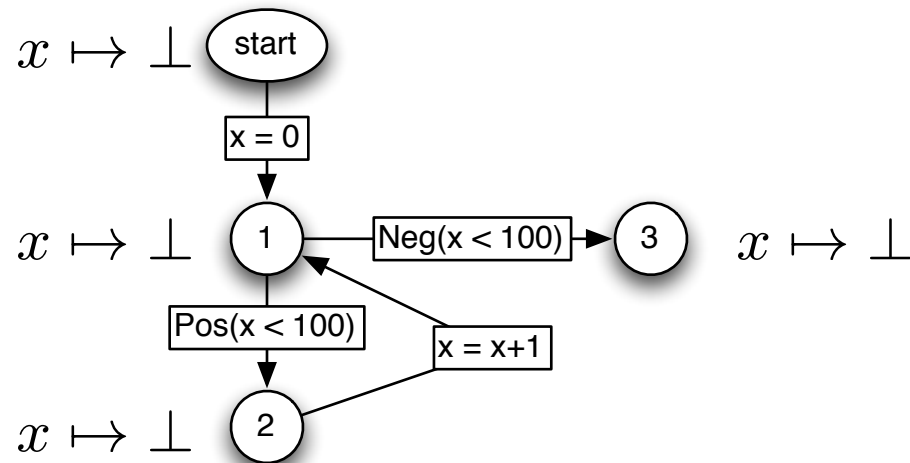


$$\widehat{Reach}(1) = \llbracket x = 0 \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(start)) \sqcup \llbracket x = x + 1 \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(2))$$

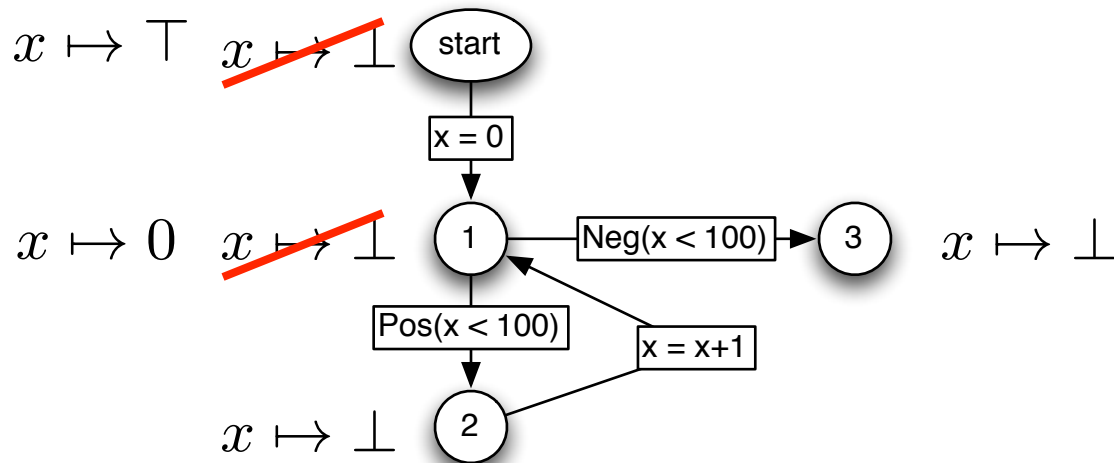
$$\widehat{Reach}(2) = \llbracket Pos(x < 100) \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(1))$$

$$\widehat{Reach}(3) = \llbracket Neg(x < 100) \rrbracket^\# (\widehat{Reach}(1))$$

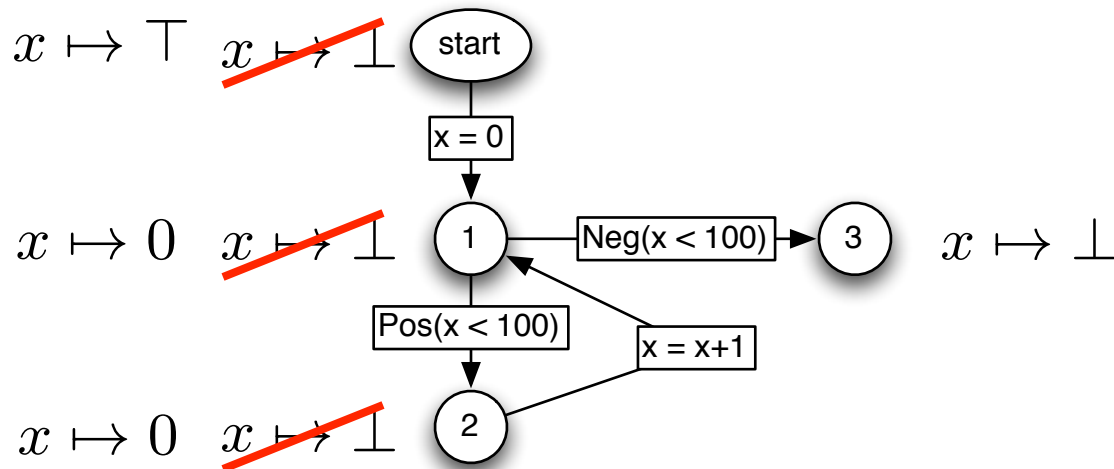
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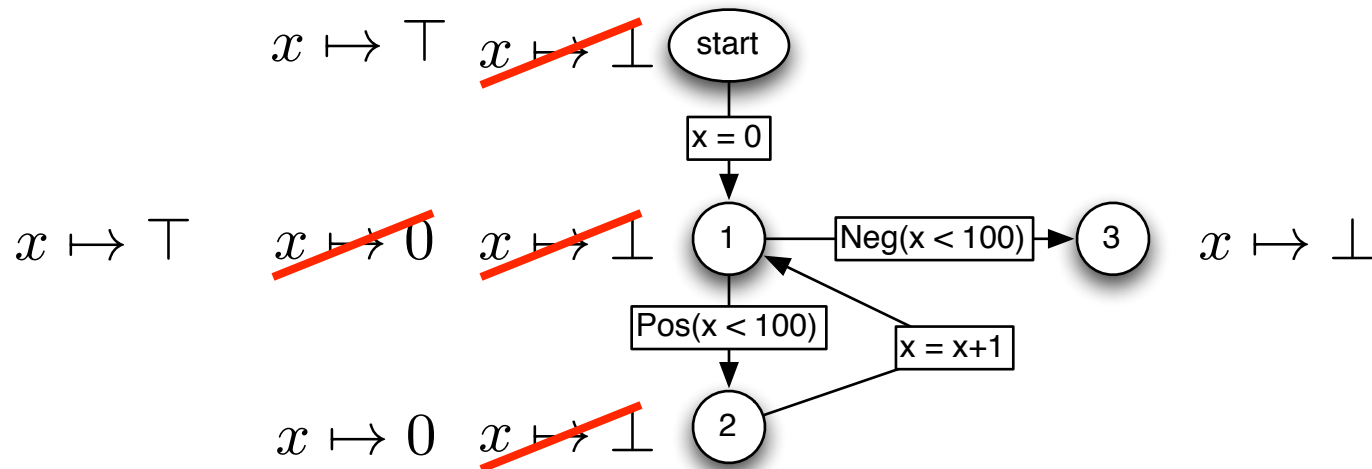
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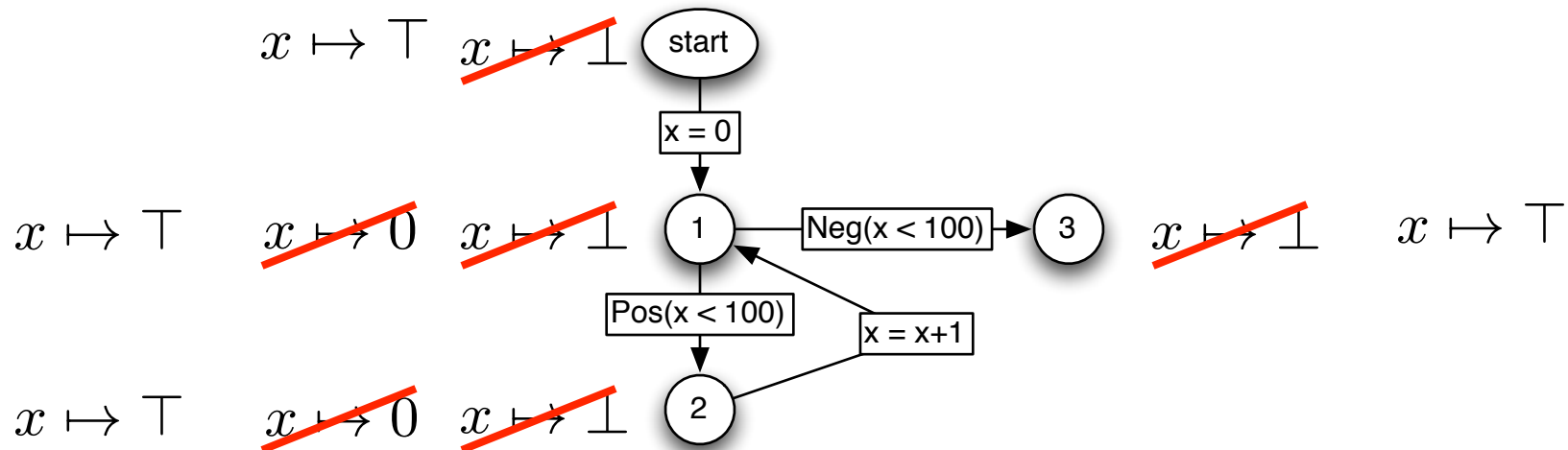
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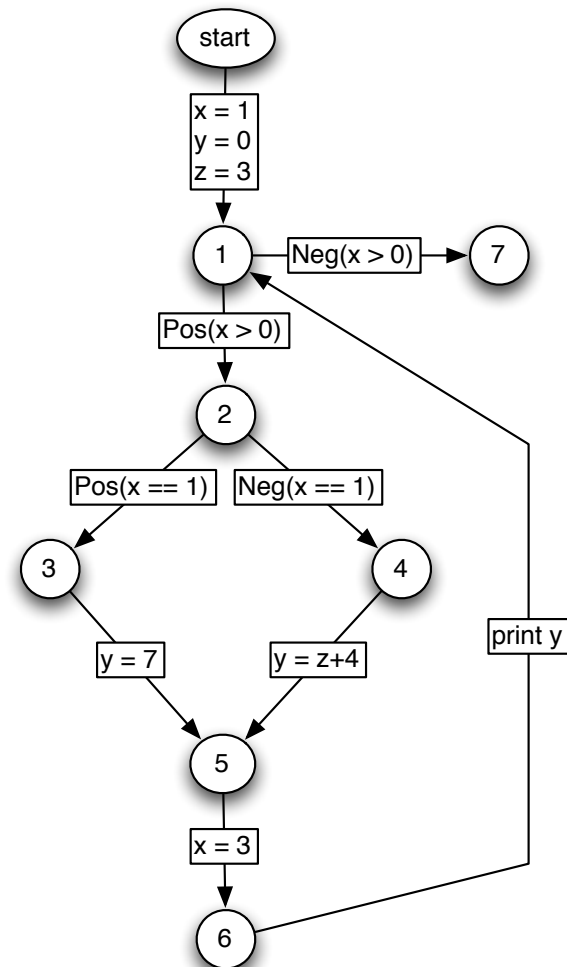
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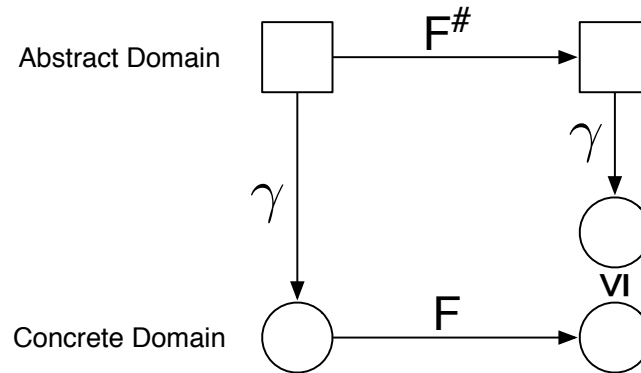
# Example II: Kleene Iteration to Compute Abstract Reachability Semantics

```
y = 0;  
x = 1;  
z = 3;  
while (x > 0) {  
    if (x == 1) {  
        y = 7;  
    }  
    else {  
        y = z+4;  
    }  
    x = 3;  
    print y;  
}
```



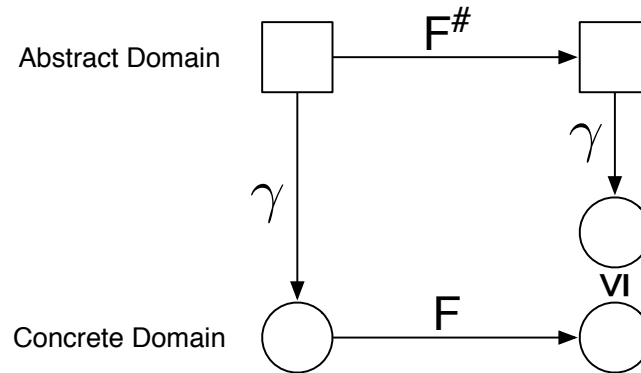
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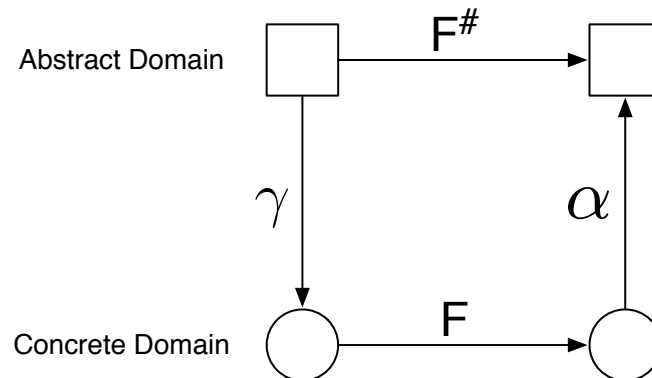
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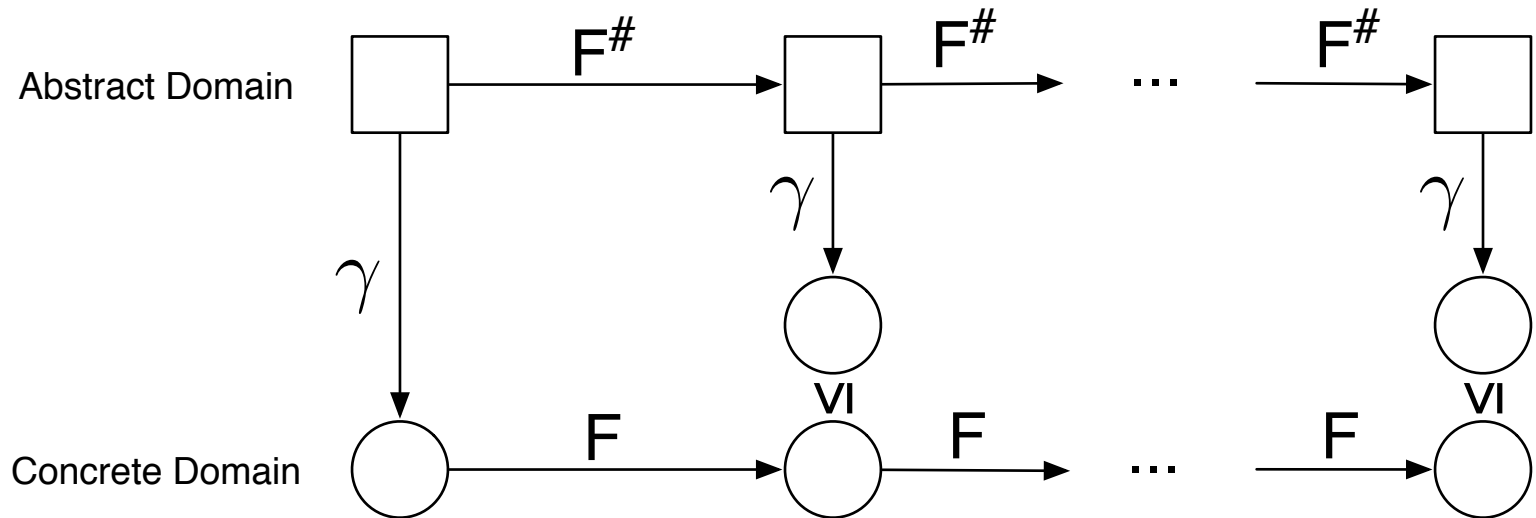


*Correct by construction*

*(if concretization and abstraction have certain properties):*



# From Local to Global Correctness: Kleene Iteration



# Fixpoint Transfer Theorem

Let  $(L, \leq)$  and  $(L^\#, \leq^\#)$  be two lattices,  $\gamma : L^\# \rightarrow L$  a monotone function, and  $F : L \rightarrow L$  and  $F^\# : L^\# \rightarrow L^\#$  two monotone functions, with

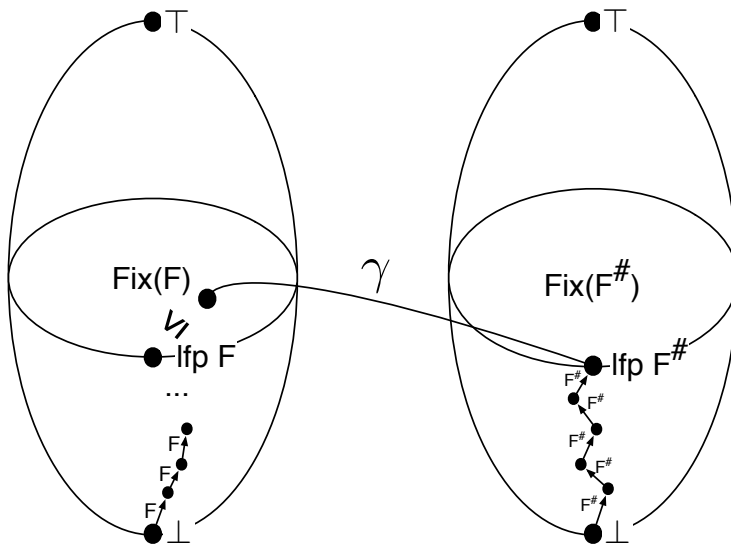
$$\forall l^\# \in L^\# : \gamma(F^\#(l^\#)) \geq F(\gamma(l^\#)).$$

Then:

$$lfp F \leq \gamma(lfp F^\#).$$

*Local Correctness*

*Global Correctness*





## Outlook: Other Abstractions

- Signs
- Parity
- Intervals
- Octagons
- Congruence