

# Automata for Real-time Systems

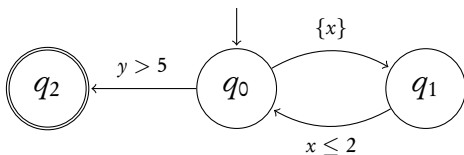
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## Lecture 15:

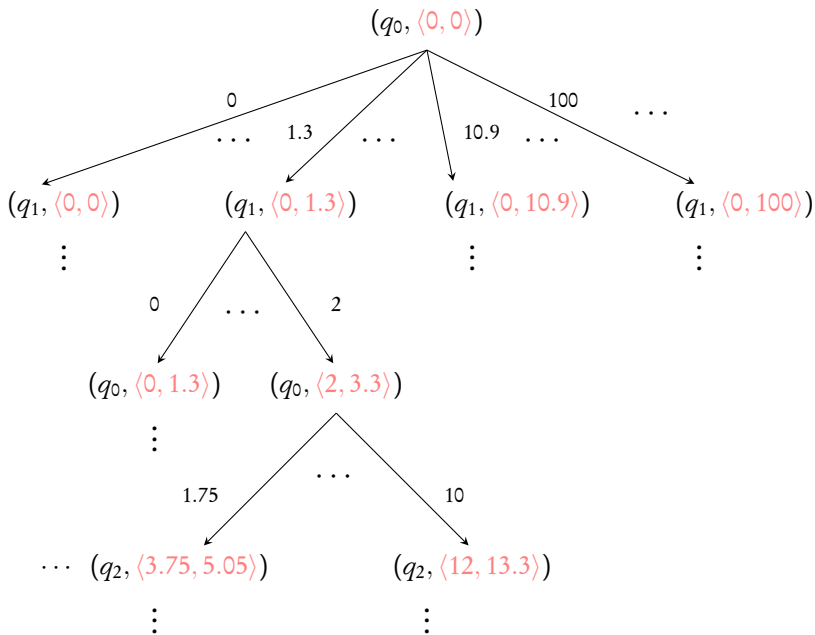
# Better abstractions through better constants

# Reachability problem



Given a TA, does there **exist** a run to a **final state**?

**Main challenge:** infinite behaviour of timed automata



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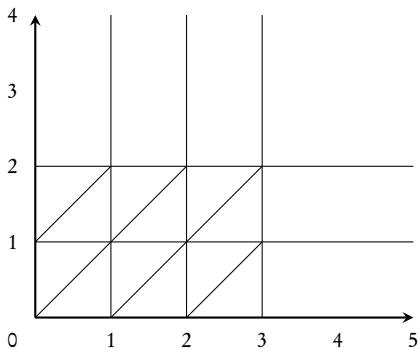
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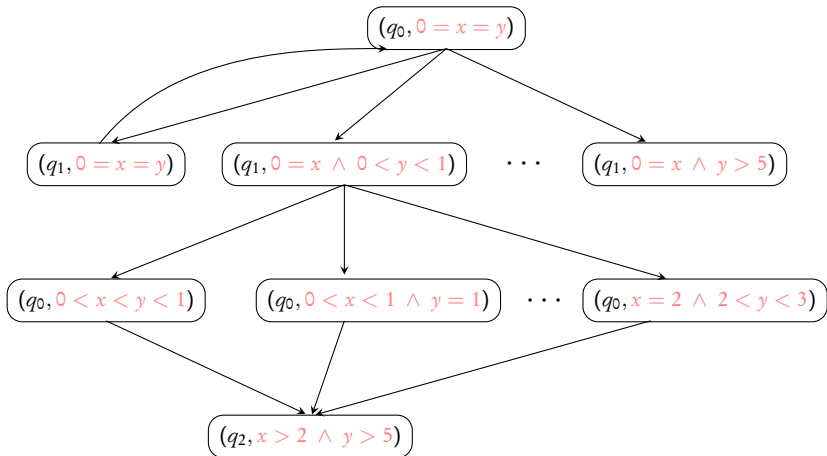
Regions

[AD94]

Maximal bounds:  $M : X \mapsto \mathbb{N} \cup \{-\infty\}$



- ▶ **Forget:** Exact clock values
- ▶ **Retain:**
  1. Integral values upto max
  2. Relative ordering of fractional values for clocks less than max



If  $X$  is set of clocks,  $\mathcal{O}(|X|! M^{|X|})$  many regions!



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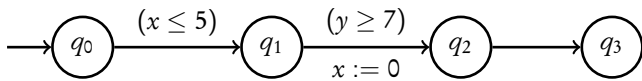
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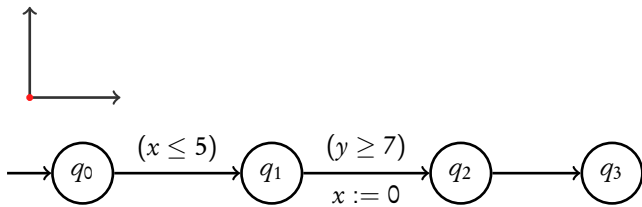
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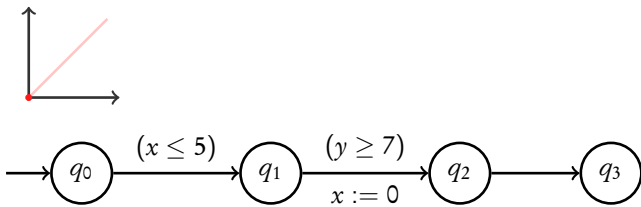
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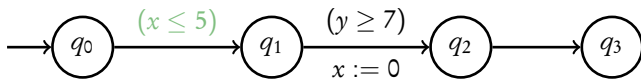
Zones

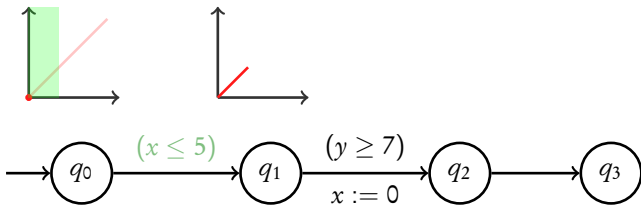
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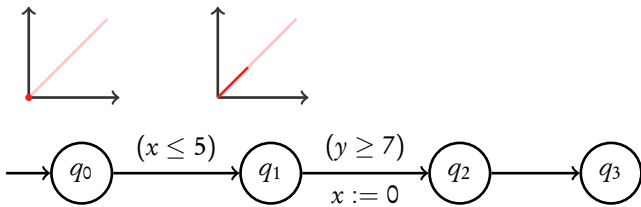


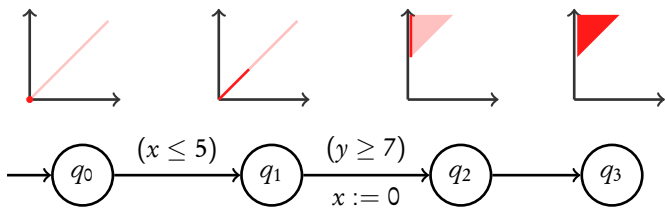




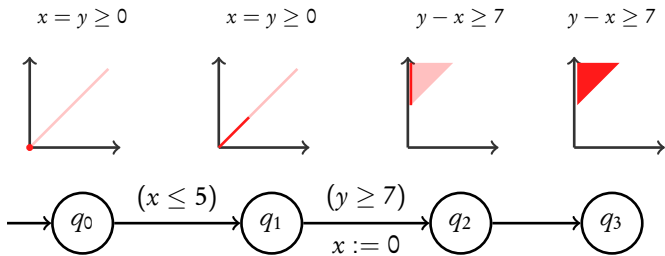


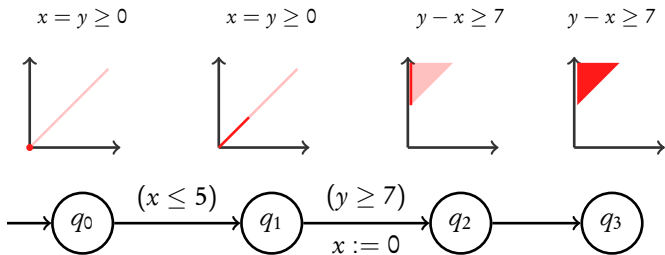




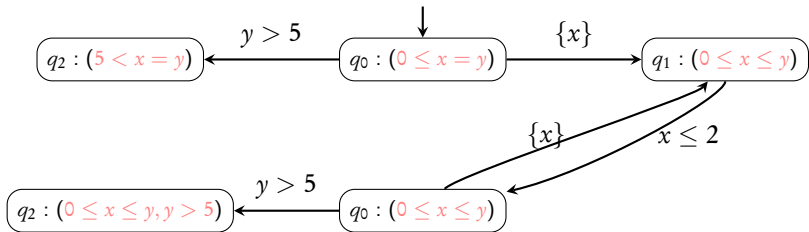




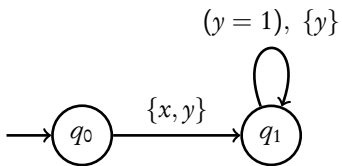


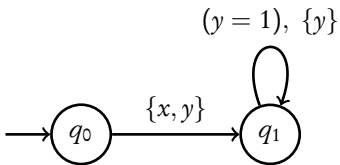


- ▶ **Forget:** Exact times taken along a run
- ▶ **Retain:** Sequence of discrete transitions

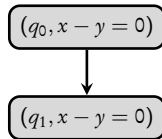
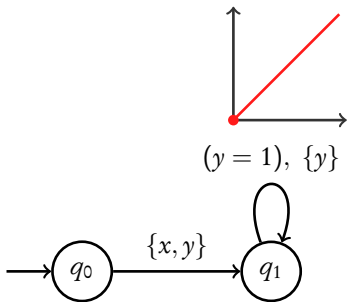


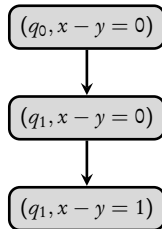
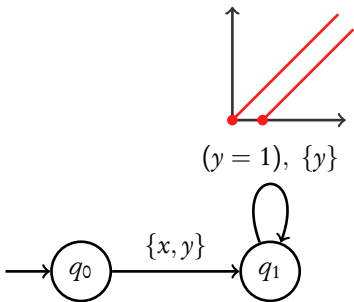
But the zone graph could be **infinite**

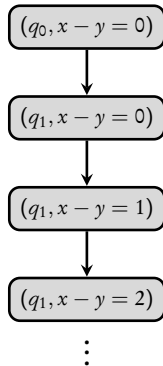
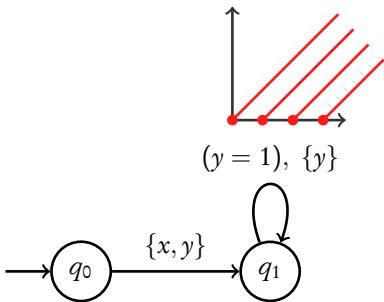




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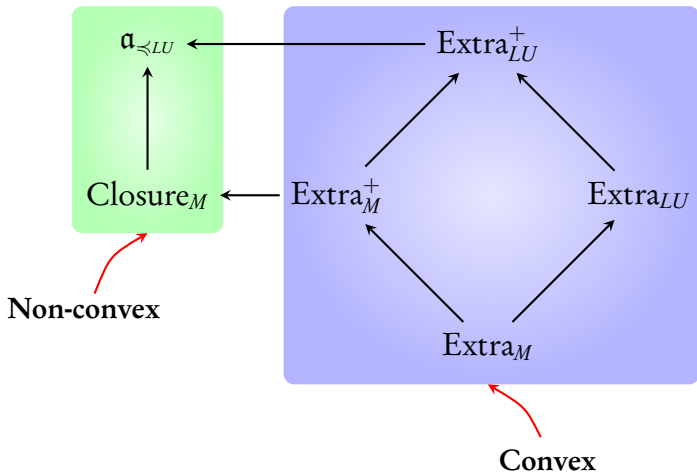
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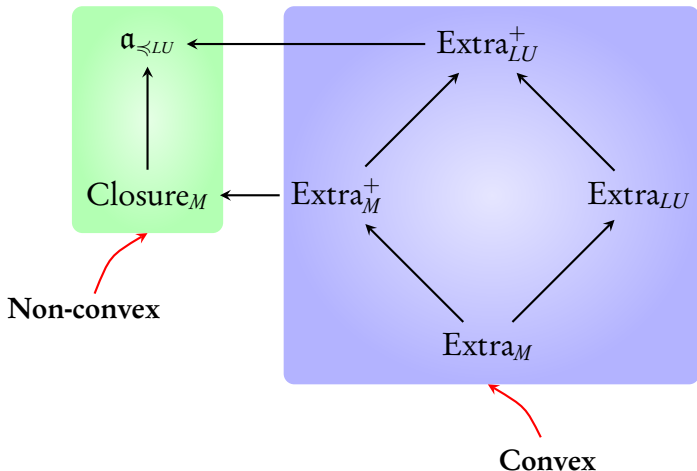
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[HSW12]

# Abstraction functions



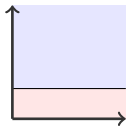
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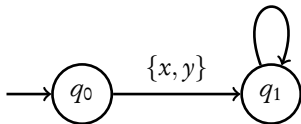
In our course:  $\text{Closure}_M$

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$$M(y) = 1$$

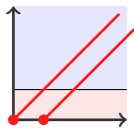


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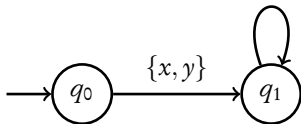


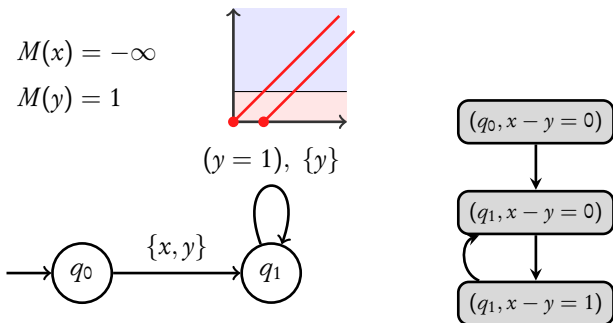
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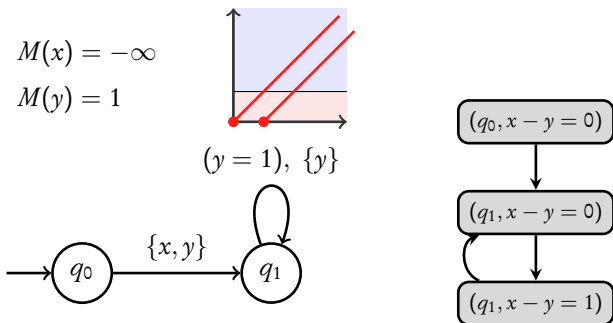


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## Using Closure

1.  $Z \subseteq \text{Closure}_M(Z')$  can be done **efficiently** [HKS11] (seen last class)
2. Given  $M$ ,  $\text{Closure}_M$  is **optimal** [HSW12] (proof not needed)

## Reachability algorithm:

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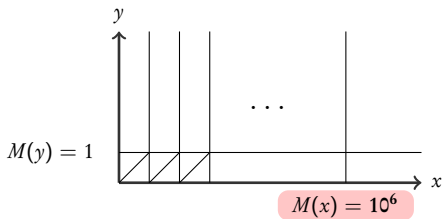
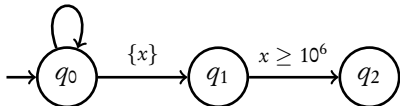


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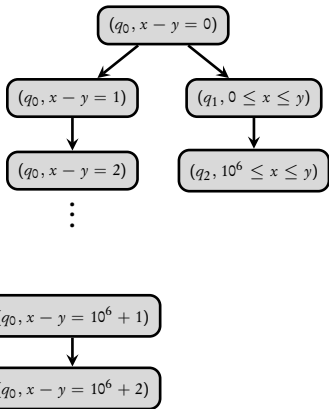
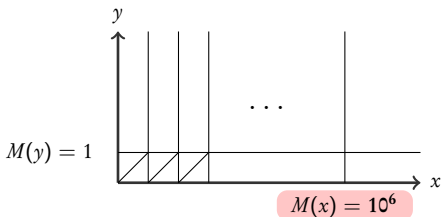
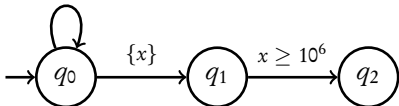
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**Coming next:** get **better**  $M$  bounds!

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More than  $10^6$  nodes unnecessary

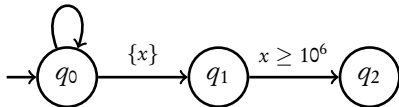
$$q \rightarrow q_1 \rightarrow \dots q_i \xrightarrow{\{x\}} q_{i+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow q_n \xrightarrow{x \geq c} q'$$

Constant  $c$  is **not relevant** for  $x$  at  $q$

# Static guard analysis [BBFL03], [UPPAAL]

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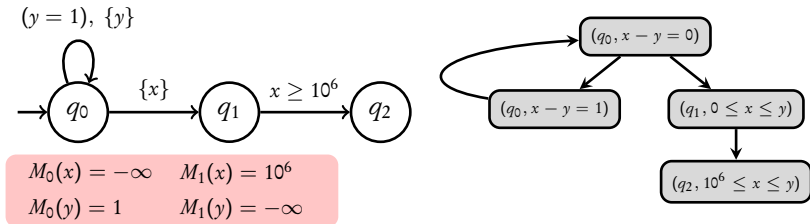


$$M_0(x) = -\infty \quad M_1(x) = 10^6$$

$$M_0(y) = 1 \quad M_1(y) = -\infty$$

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More details about static guard analysis on the board

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+ better abstraction parameters [BBFL03, HSW13]



# Experiments

Model	nb. of clocks	UPPAAL (-C)		Better abst.	
		nodes	sec.	nodes	sec.
CSMA/CD 10	11	120845	1.9	51210	4.0
CSMA/CD 11	12	311310	5.4	123915	10.2
CSMA/CD 12	13	786447	14.8	294924	25.2
FDDI 50	151	12605	52.9	401	0.8
FDDI 70	211			561	2.7
FDDI 140	421			1121	40.6
Fischer 9	9	135485	2.4	135485	14.8
Fischer 10	10	447598	10.1	447598	56.8
Fischer 11	11	1464971	40.4		
Stari 2	7	7870	0.1	4305	0.4
Stari 3	10	136632	1.7	43269	4.5
Stari 4	13	1323193	26.2	296982	41.5

- ▶ UPPAAL (-C) shows results from UPPAAL tool which uses static analysis bounds and convex abstraction  $\text{Extra}_{LU}^+$
- ▶ **Better abst.** shows results from the paper [HSW13] that uses non convex abstraction  $\alpha_{\leq LU}$  and a generalization of static guard analysis
- ▶ Time out (150s), Memory out (1Gb)

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