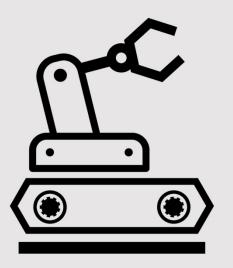
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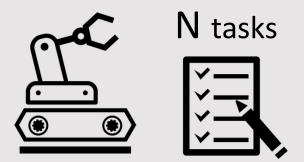
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## A robot resolves a set of tasks

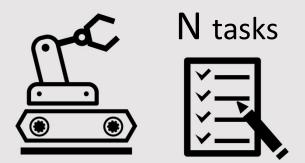
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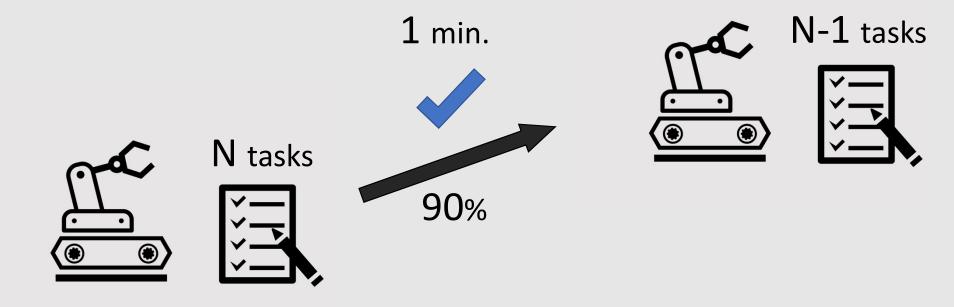
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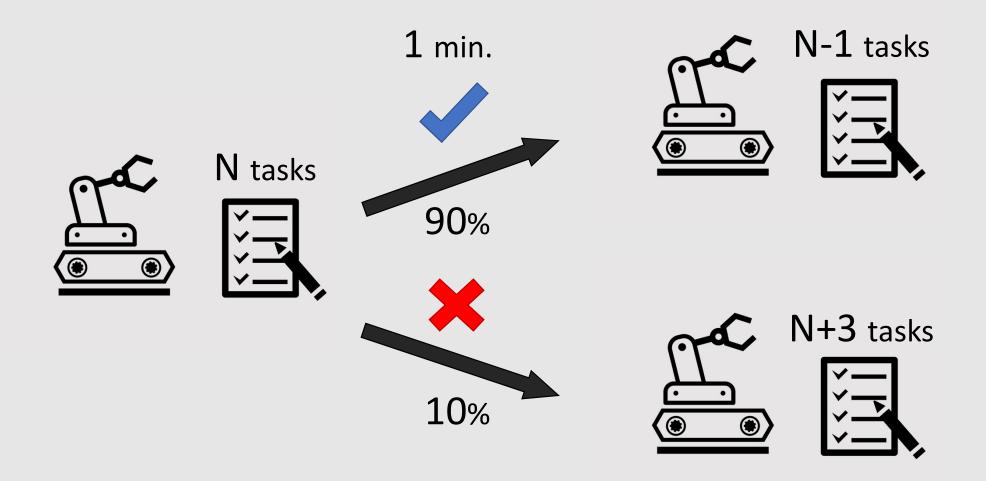
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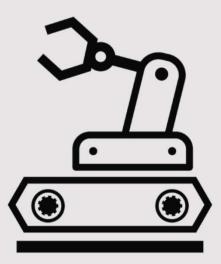
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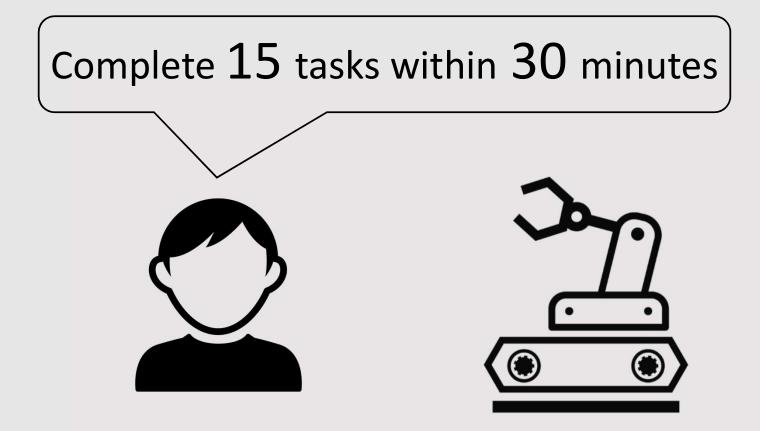


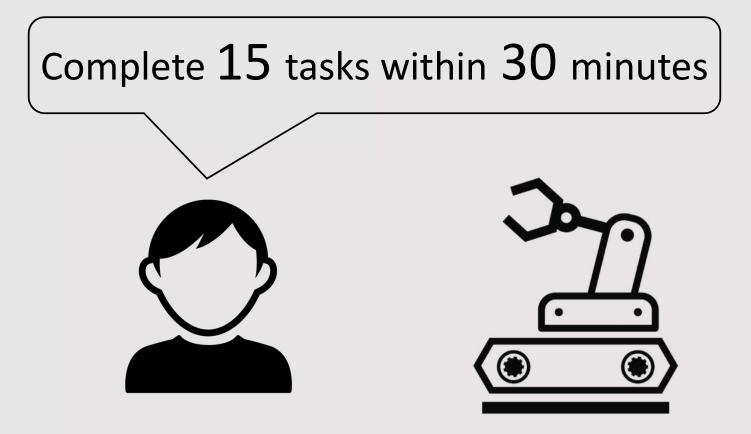
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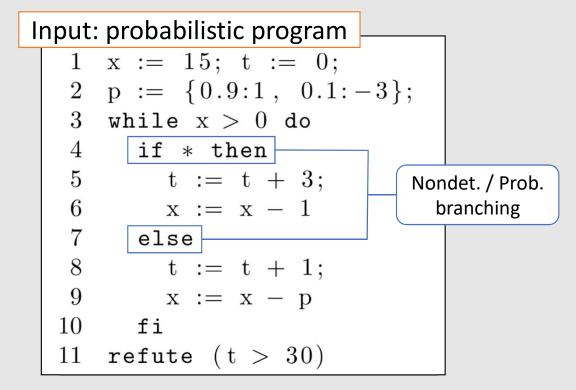


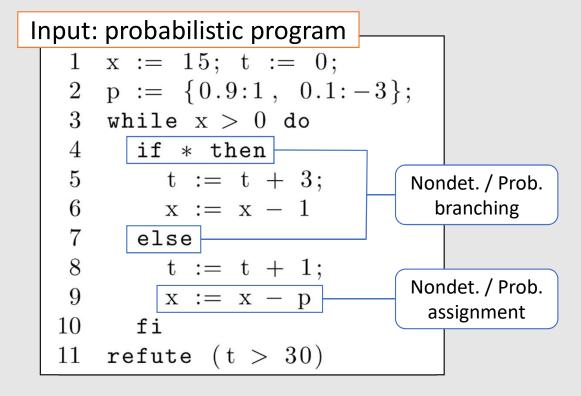


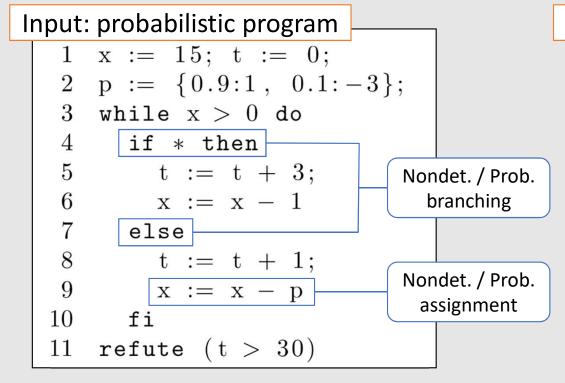


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Input: probabilistic program
 1 \quad x := 15; t := 0;
 2 p := \{0.9:1, 0.1:-3\};
 3 while x > 0 do
 4 if * then
 5 t := t + 3;
 6
   x := x - 1
 7
   else
 8
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 9
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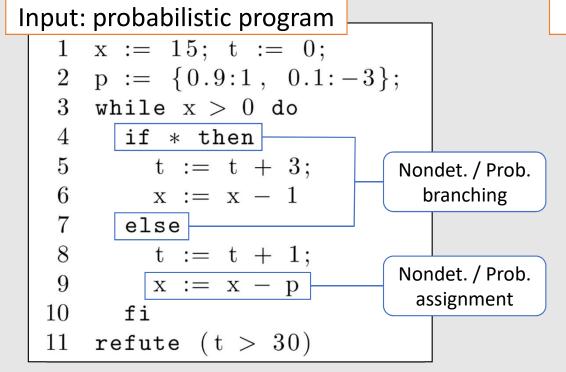


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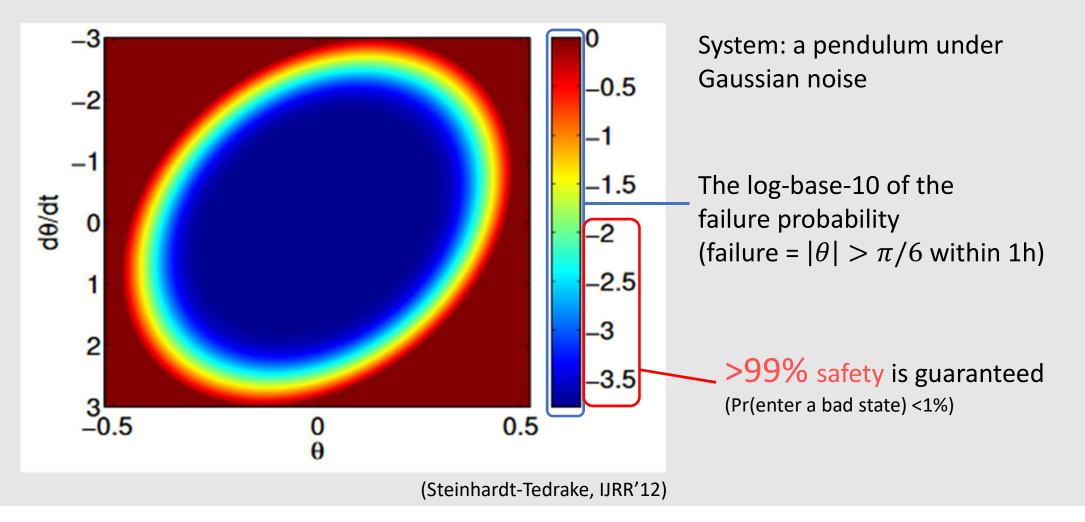
Probabilistic modification of real-world benchmarks (in Alias+, SAS'10)

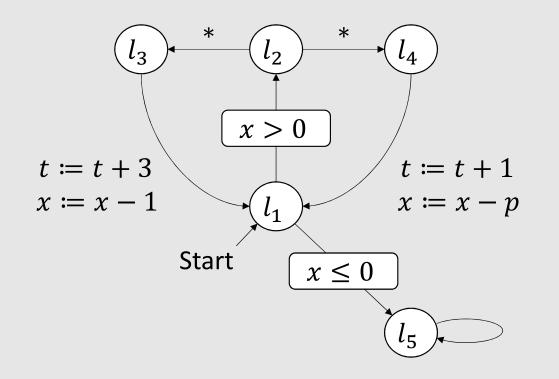
Almost-sure termination is certified in 20/28 examples

	Benchmark	Time (s)	Solution	Dimension	Prob. loops	Prob. Assignments
	alain	0.11	yes	2	yes	yes
	catmouse	0.08	yes	2	yes	yes
	counterex1a	0.1	no		no	no
-	counterex1c	0.11	yes	3	yes	yes
	easy1	0.09	yes	1	yes	yes
	exmini	0.09	yes	2	yes	yes
	insertsort	0.1	yes	3	yes	yes
	ndecr	0.09	yes	2	yes	yes
	perfect	0.11	yes	3	yes	yes
-	norfoot?	0.1	yes	3	yes	no
	perfect2	0.11	no		yes	yes
	real2	0.09	no		no	no
	realbubble	0.22	yes	3	yes	yes
	realselect	0.11	yes	3	yes	yes
-	realshellsort	0.09	no		yes	no
	serpent	0.1	yes	1	yes	yes
	sipmabubble	0.1	yes	3	yes	yes
	speedDis2	0.09	no		no	no
	speedNestedMultiple	0.1	yes	3	yes	yes
	speedpldi2	0.09	yes	2	yes	yes
	speedpldi4	0.09	yes	3	yes	yes
	speedSimpleMultipleDep	0.09	no		no	no
-	speedSingleSingle2	0.12	yes	2	yes	no
		0.1	no		yes	yes
	unperfect	0.1	yes	2	yes	no
		0.16	no		yes	yes
	wcet1	0.11	yes	2	yes	yes
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(Agrawal+, POPL'18)

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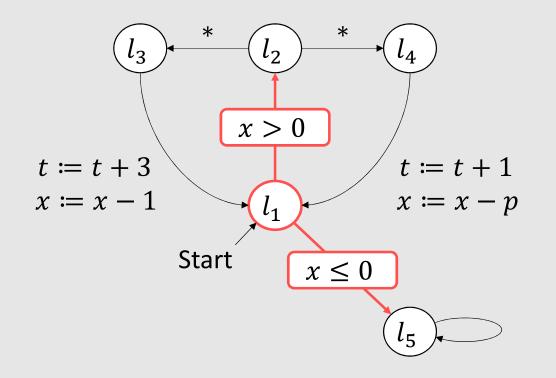




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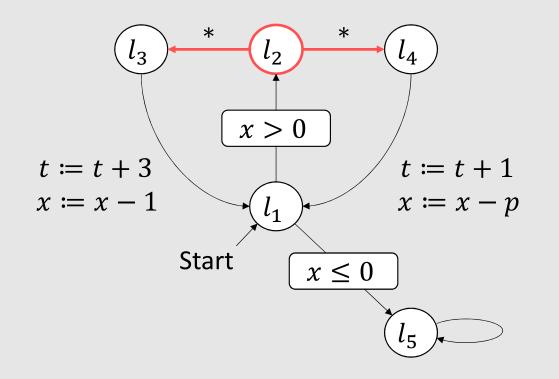
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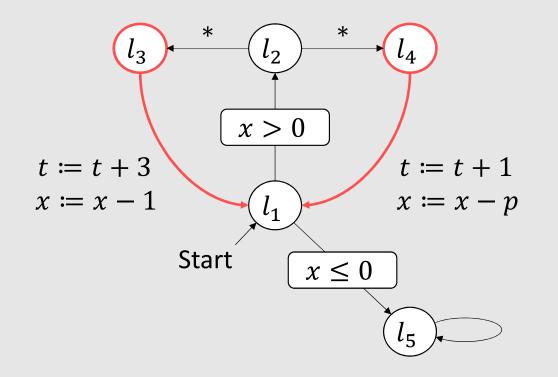
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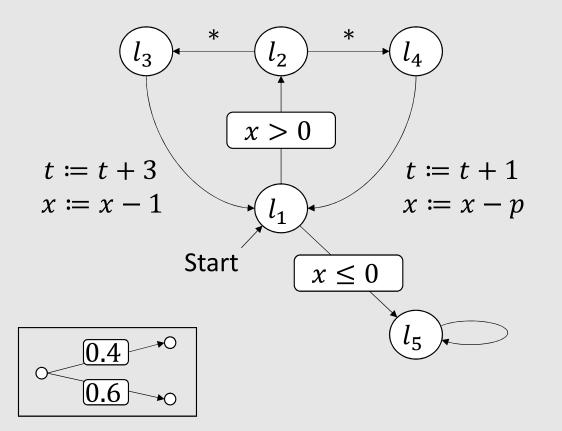
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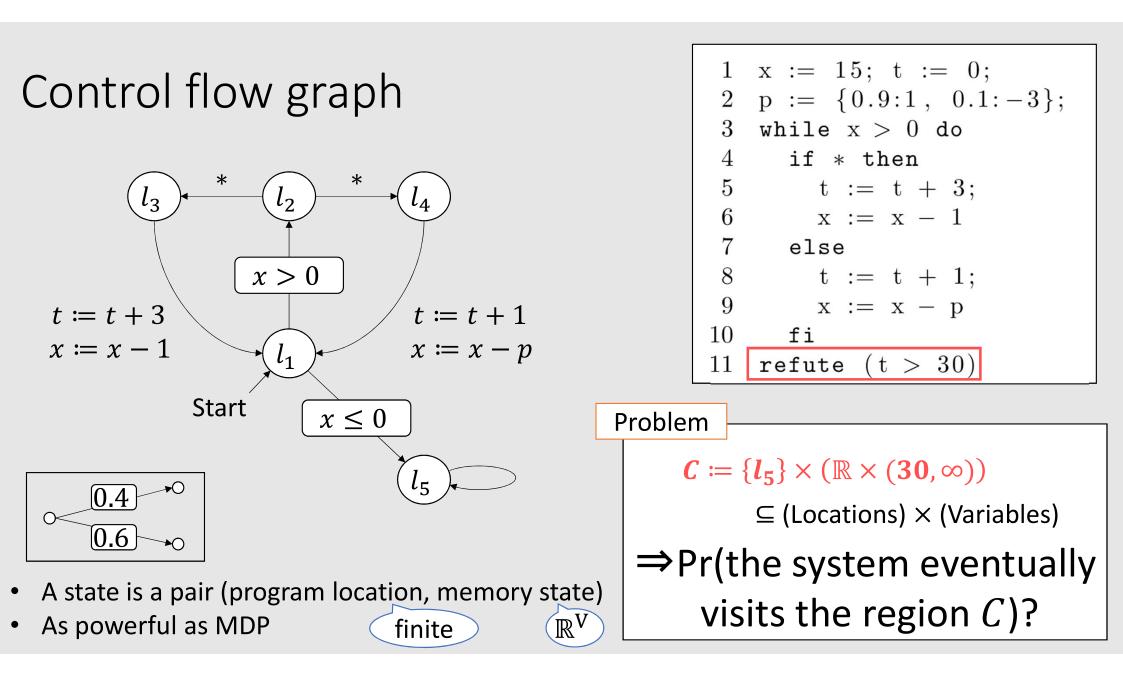


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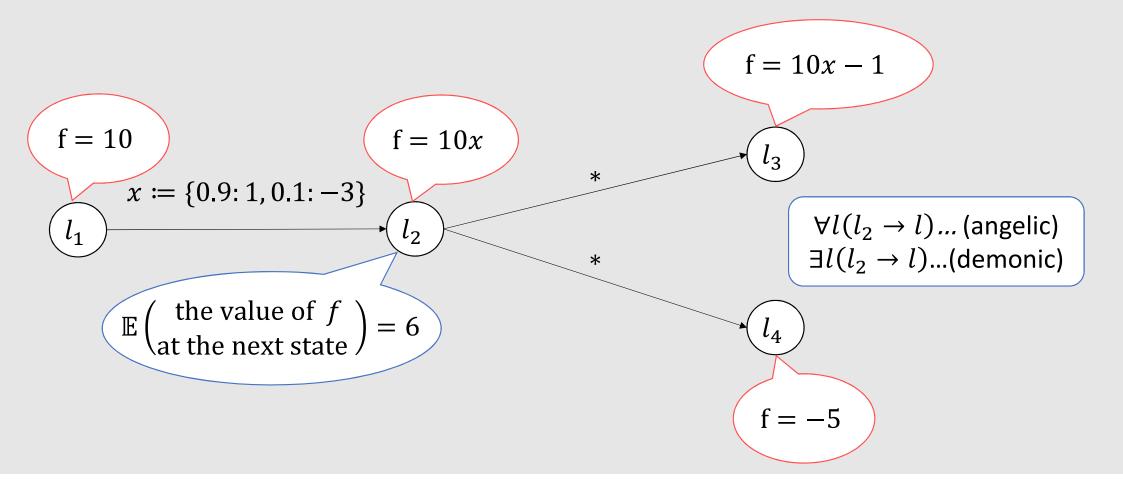
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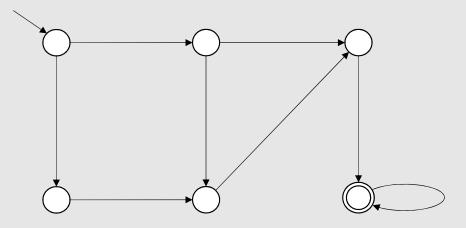
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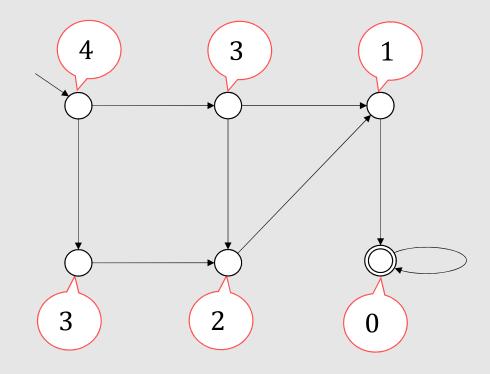
Supermartingale = a function over states that is "non-increasing" through transitions

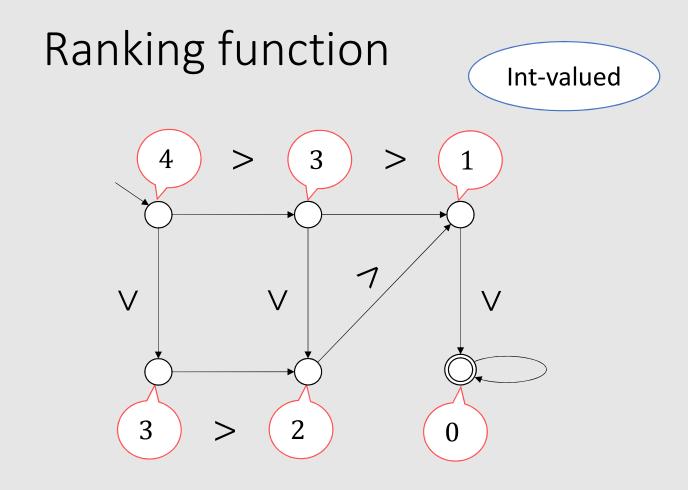


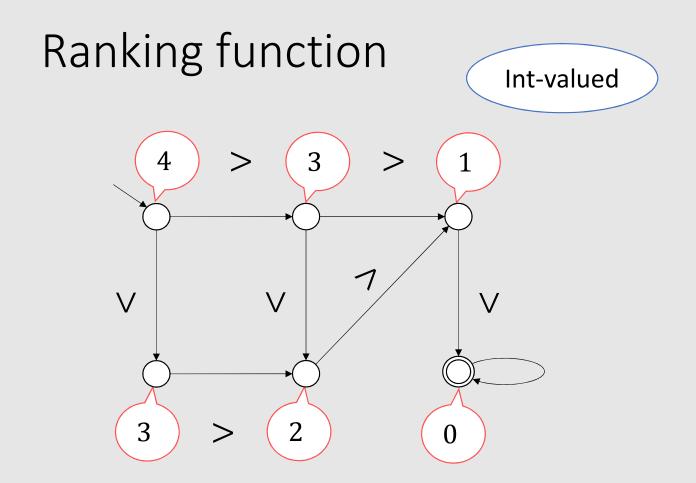
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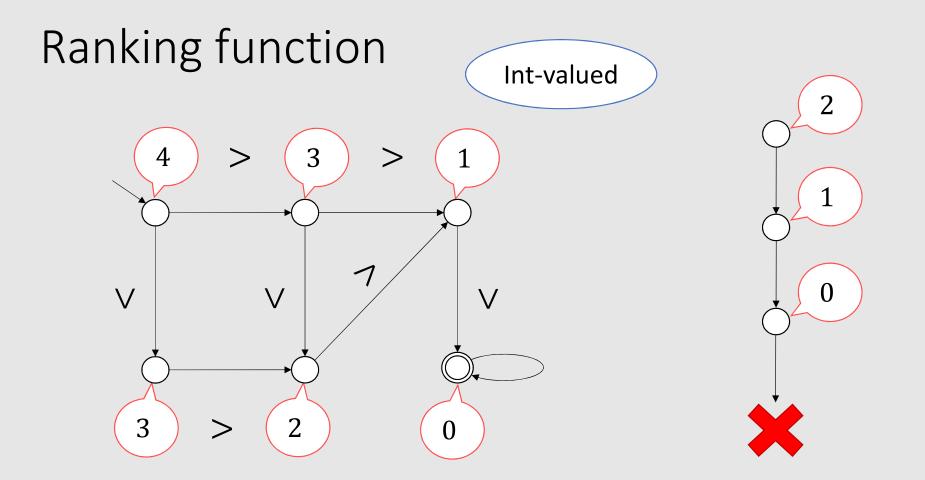
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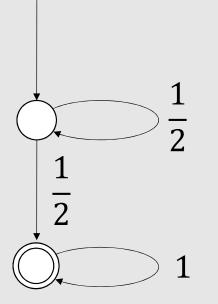


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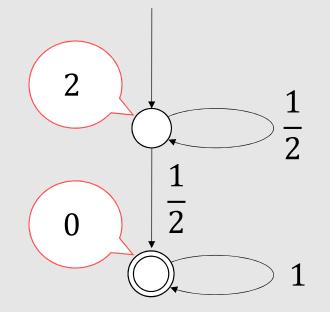


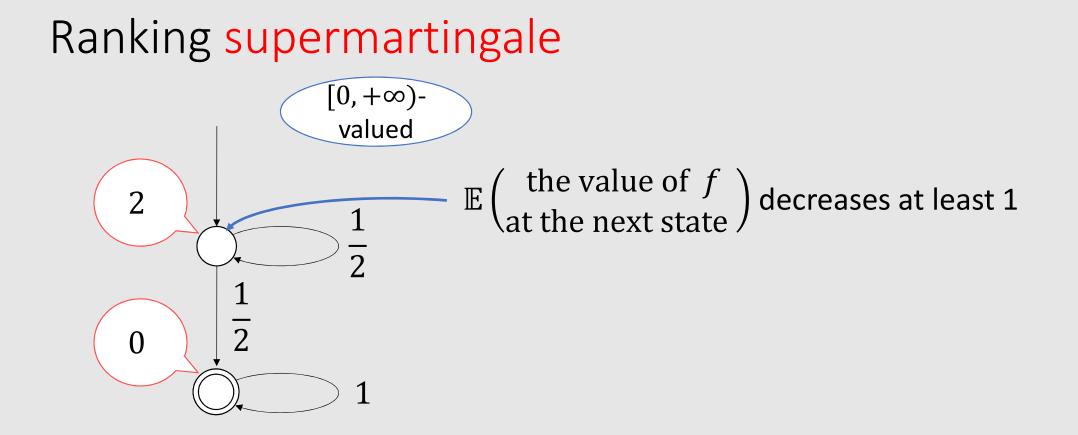
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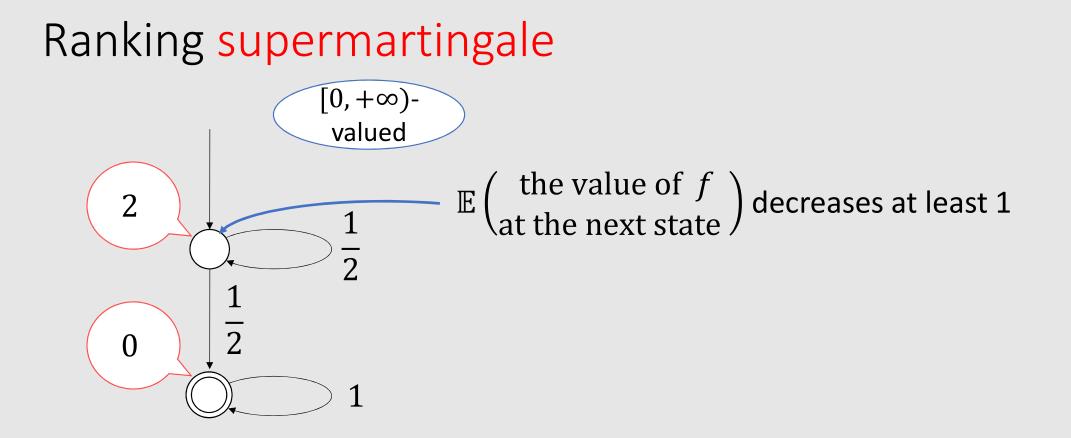
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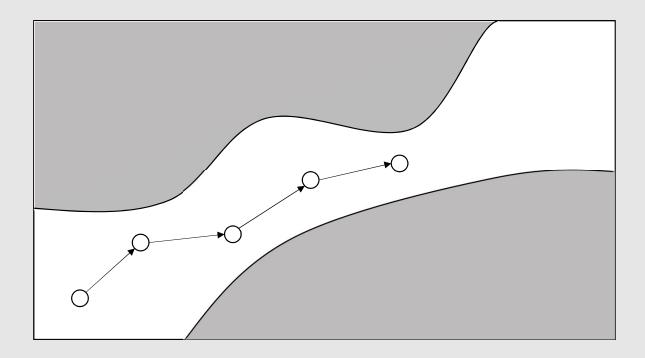


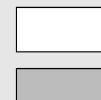




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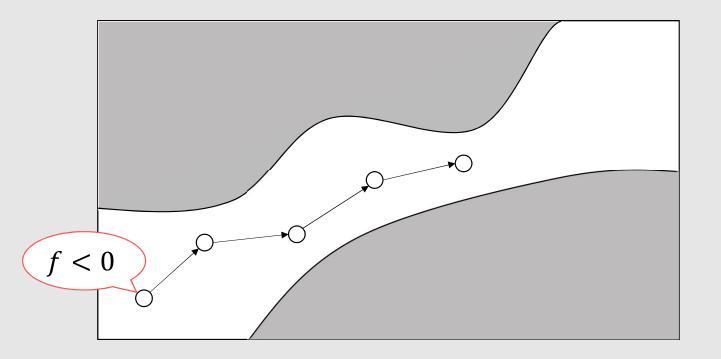
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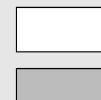




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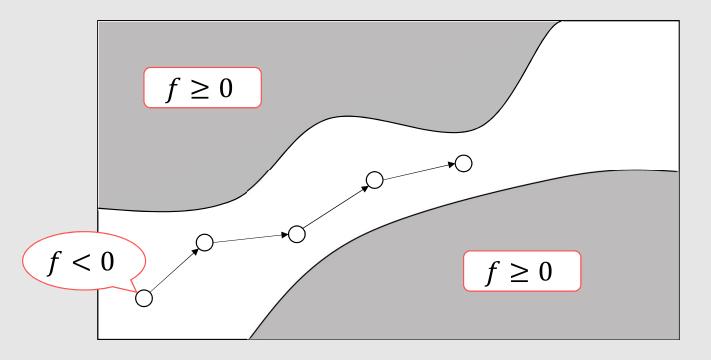
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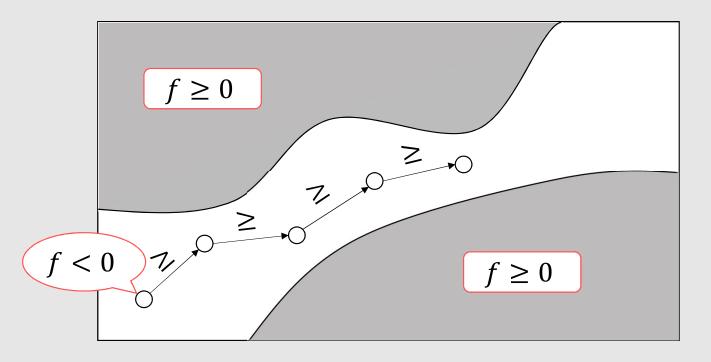
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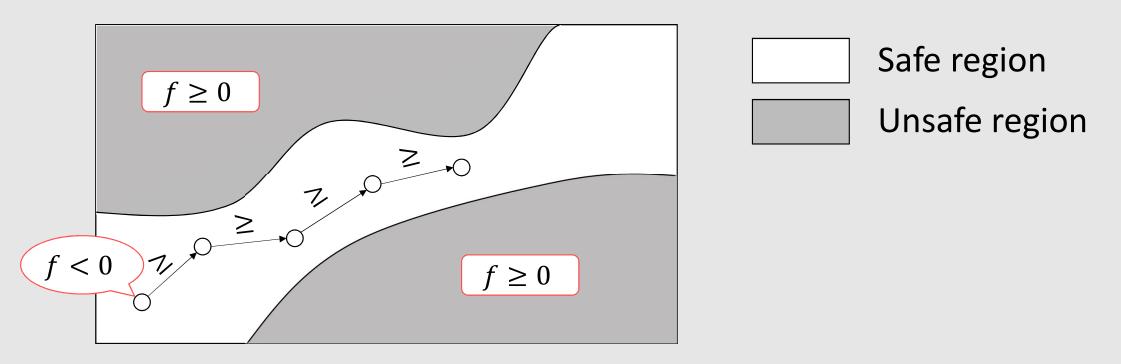
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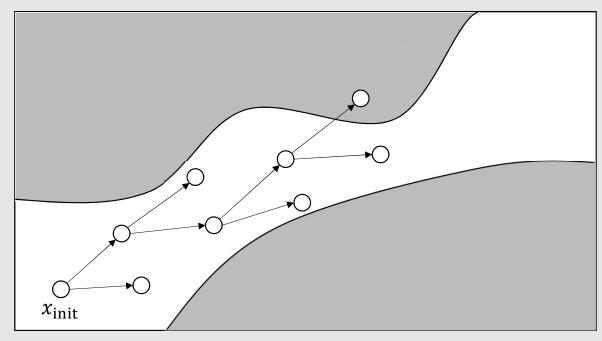


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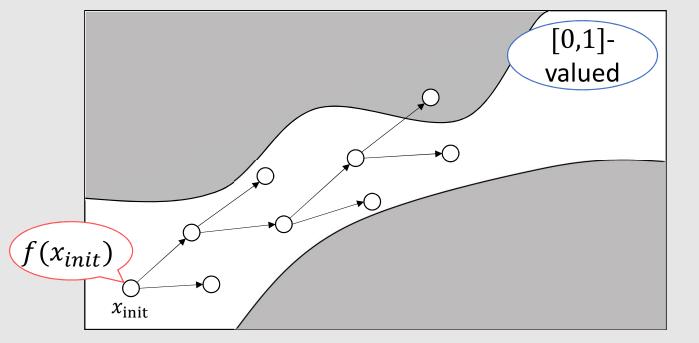


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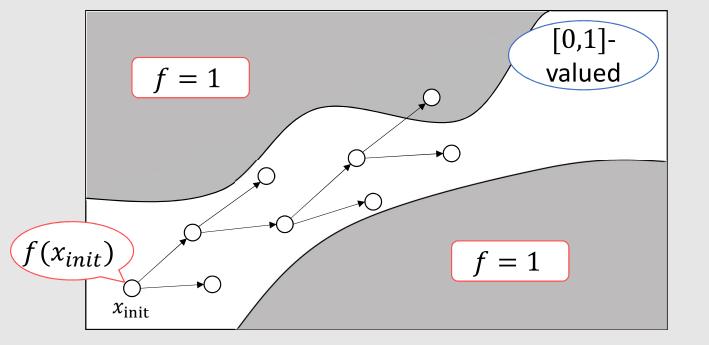




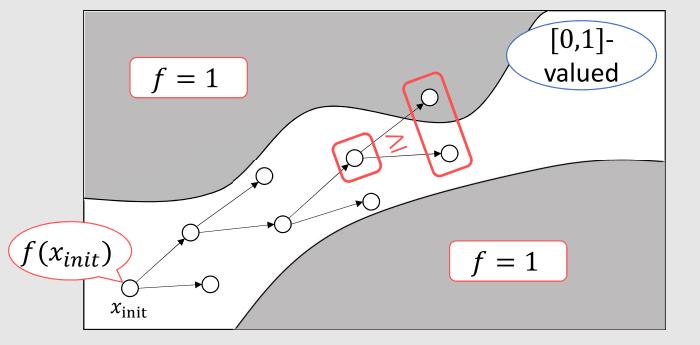
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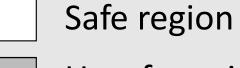


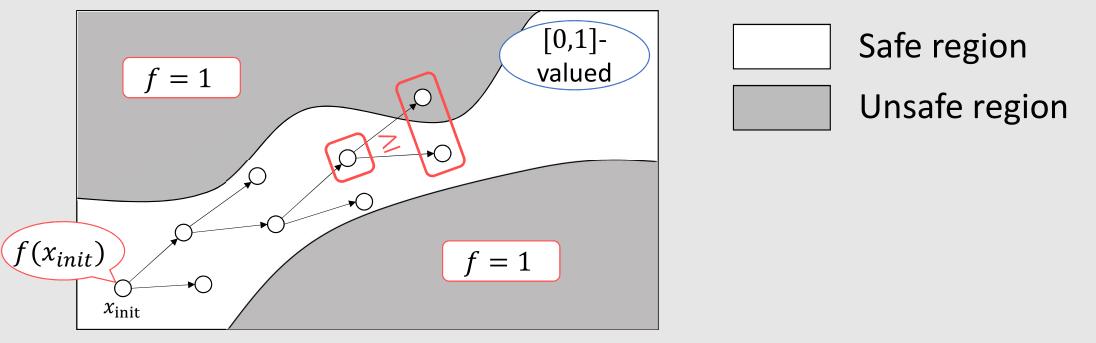
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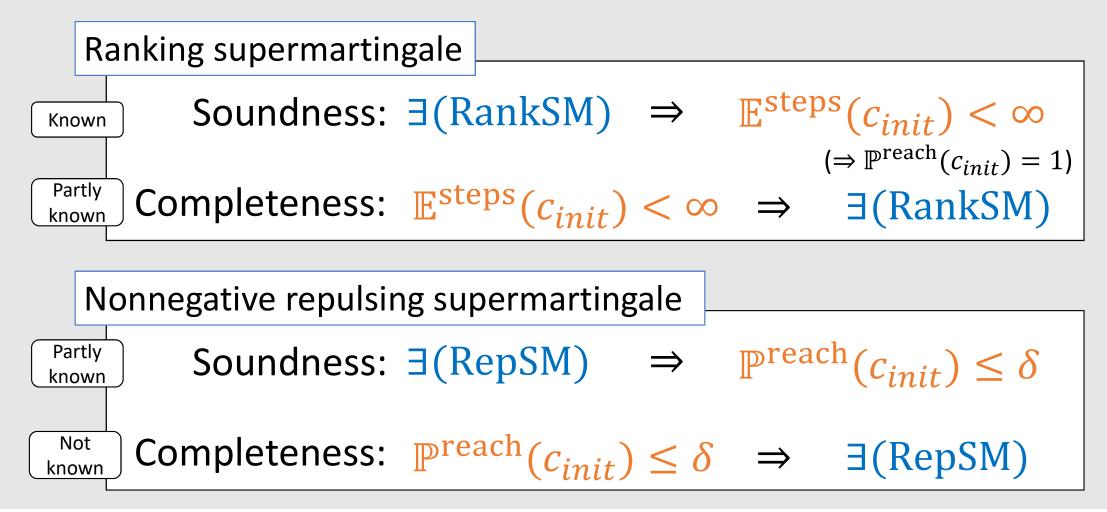
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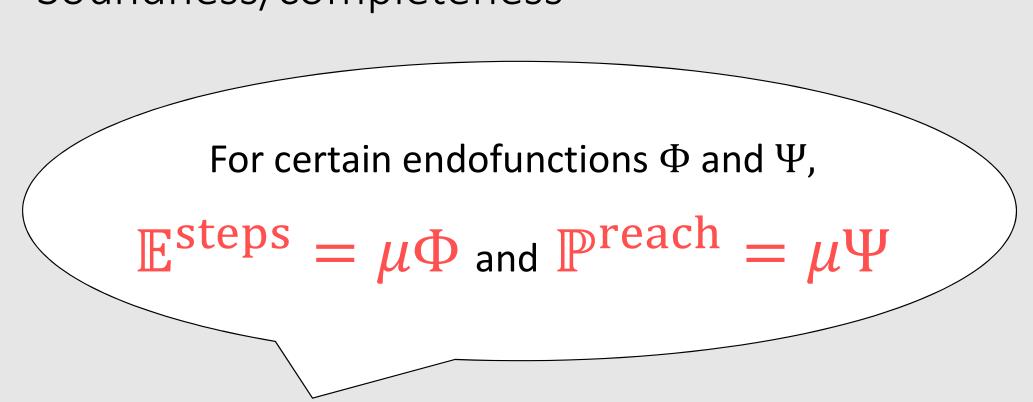
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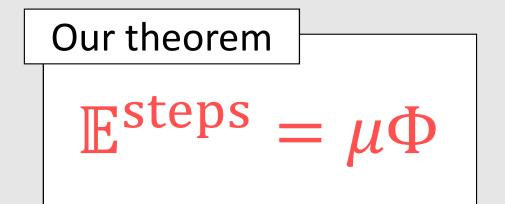
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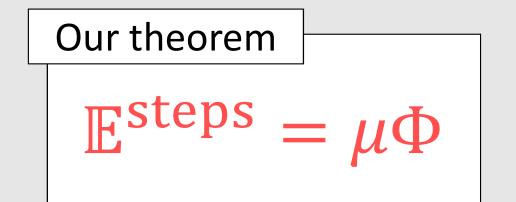






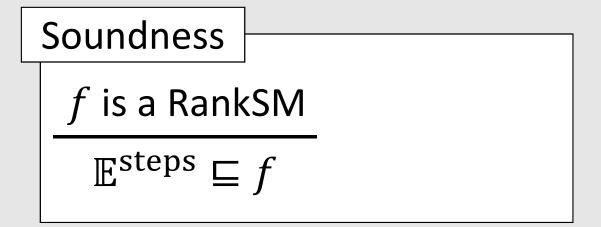
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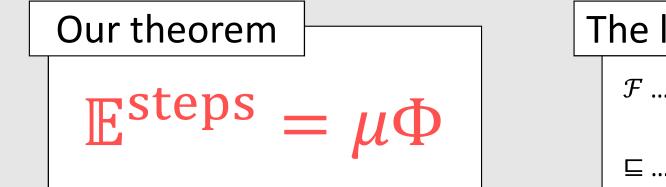
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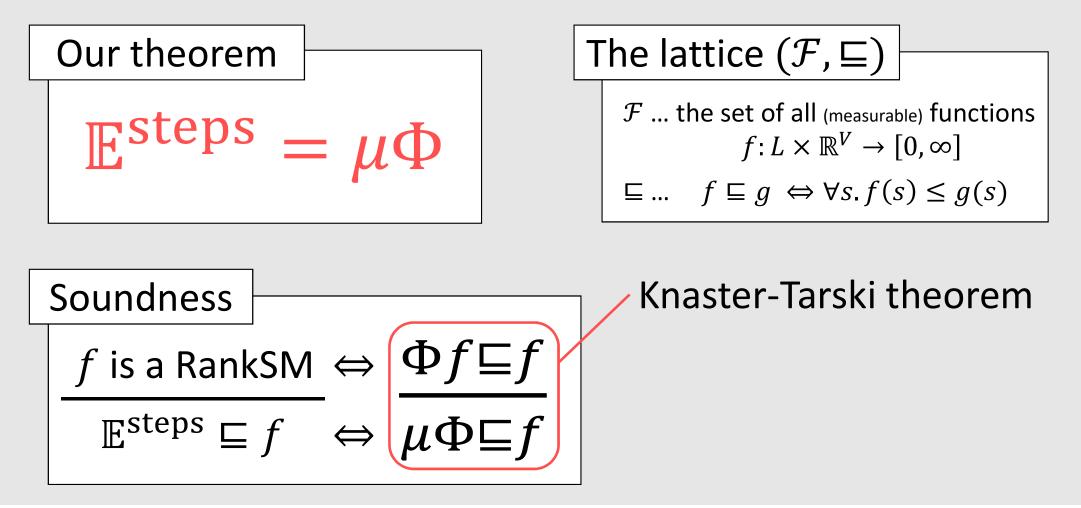


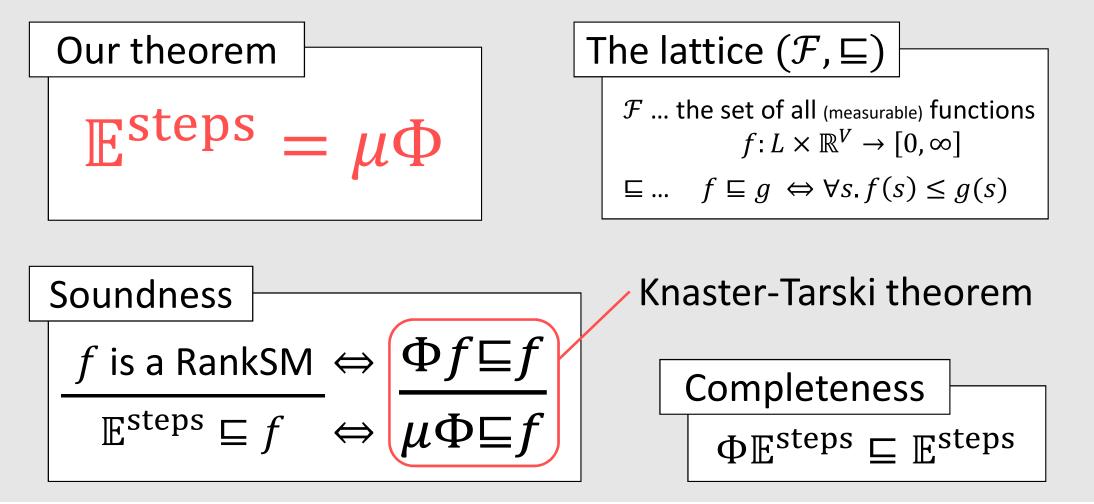


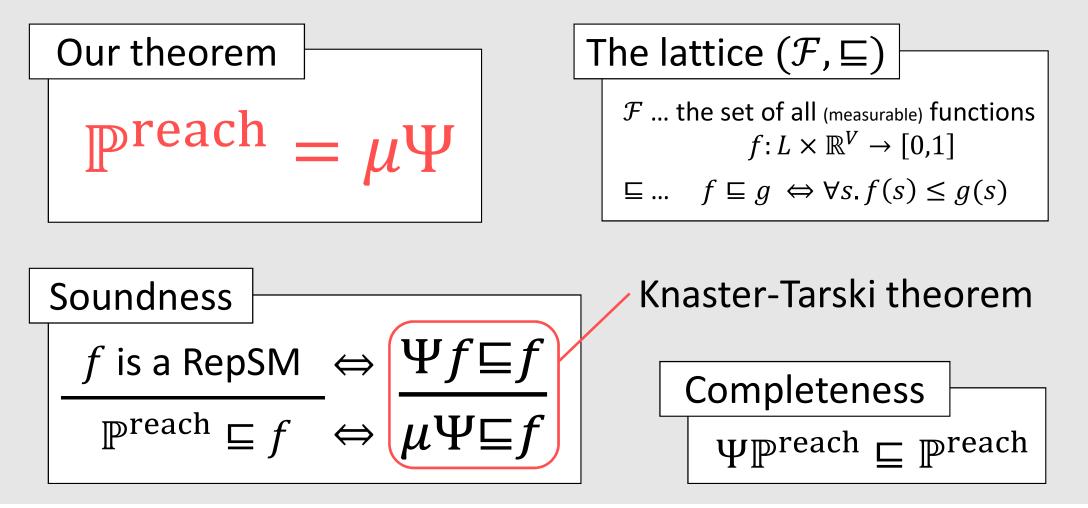
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		Prog. I (linear)		Prog. II (deg2 poly.)		Prog. II (deg3 poly.)		
	1.		bound	· · · ·		time (s)		]
(a-1)	$    p_1 = 0.2 \\    p_2 = 0.4  $	0.021	$\leq 0.825$	530.298	$\leq 0.6552$	572.393	$\leq 0.6555$	
	$p_1 = 0.8 \\ p_2 = 0.1$	0.024	$\leq 1$	526.519	$\leq 1.0$	561.327	$\leq 1.0$	

#### Table 1. Bounds by U-NNRepSupM

	true reachability probability	U-NNRepSupM	1-RepSupM
(c-1)	$\frac{(0.4/0.6)^5 - (0.4/0.6)^{10}}{1 - (0.4/0.6)^{10}} \approx 0.116$	0.505	< 1
(c-2)	0.5	0.5	
(c-3)	$\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{0.25}{0.75}\right)^{\lceil \log_2(1/x) \rceil} dx \approx 0.2$	0.5	
(c-4)	$(\frac{0.25}{0.75})^1 \approx 0.333$		< 1

**Table 3.** Probabilistic bounds given by U-NNRepSupMand  $\varepsilon$ -RepSupM

- **Table 2.** Bounds by L- $\gamma$ -SclSubM with  $\gamma = 0.999$
- Implemented template-based synthesis algorithms
- Nontrivial bounds are found (1)
- Observed comparative advantage of nonnegative RepSM over  $\varepsilon$ -decreasing RepSM (2)

		Prog. Il	II (linear)	]		
	param.	time (s)	bound	J		
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	$p_1 = 0.8$ $p_2 = 0.1$	0.022	$\geq 0.751$			
(a-2)	$\begin{array}{c} M_1 = -1 \\ M_2 = 2 \end{array}$	0.033	$\geq 0$			
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	$\begin{array}{c} M_1 = -2\\ M_2 = 1 \end{array}$	0.040	$\geq 0.801$			$\bigcirc$
	$\begin{array}{c} c = 0.1 \\ p = 0.5 \end{array}$	0.056	$\geq 0$			
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