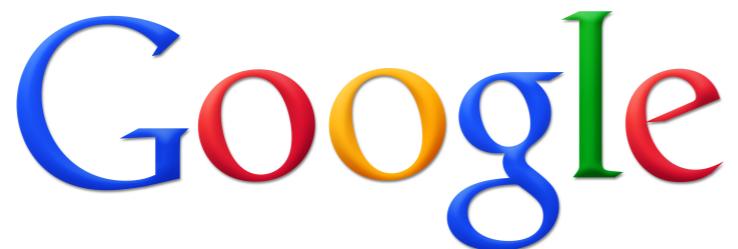


# **Abstract Interpretation as Automated Deduction**

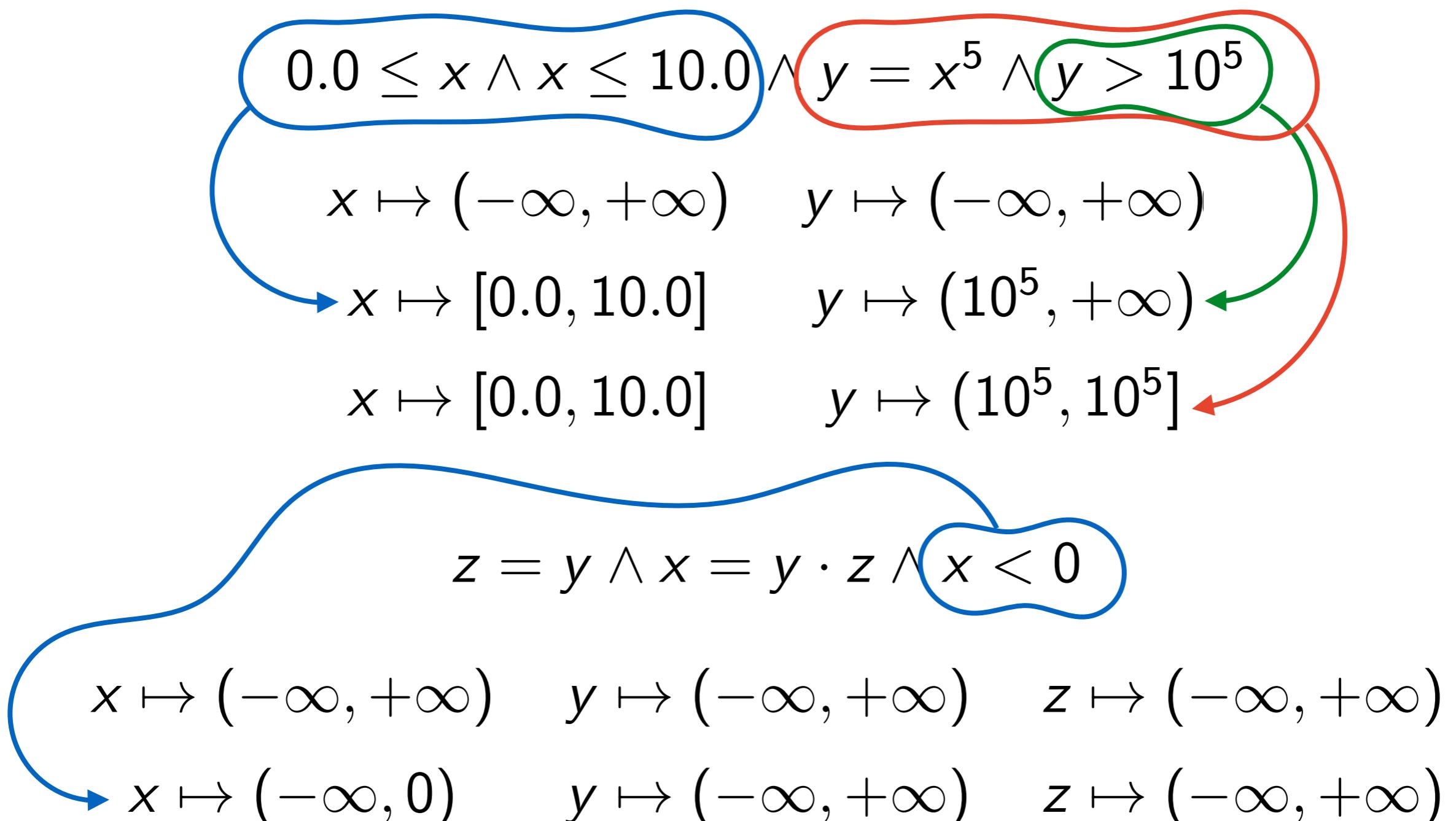
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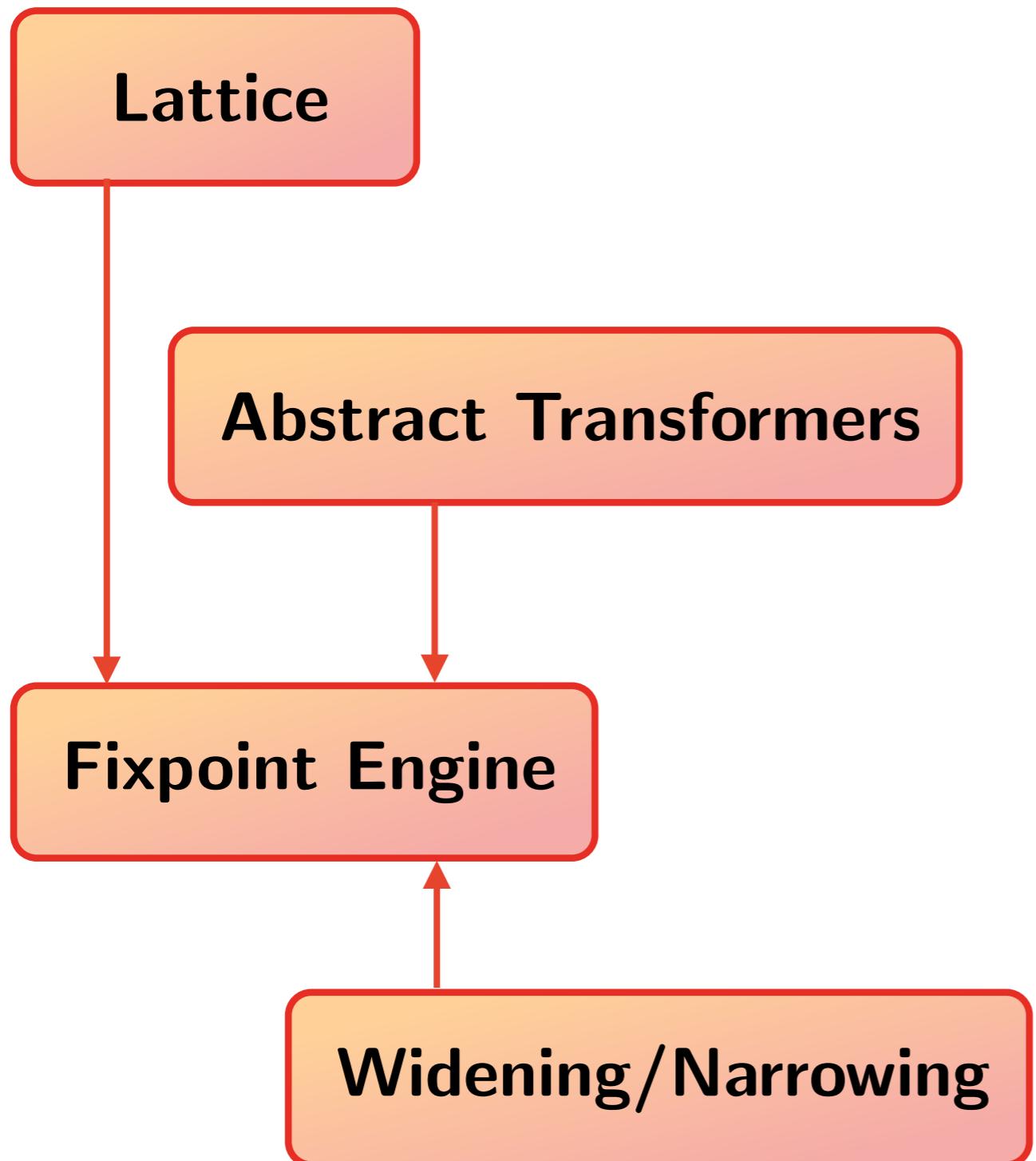
**bottom line:** an **abstract interpreter** can be understood  
as a **sound** but *incomplete* **solver**  
for monadic second order logic extended with a first-order theory



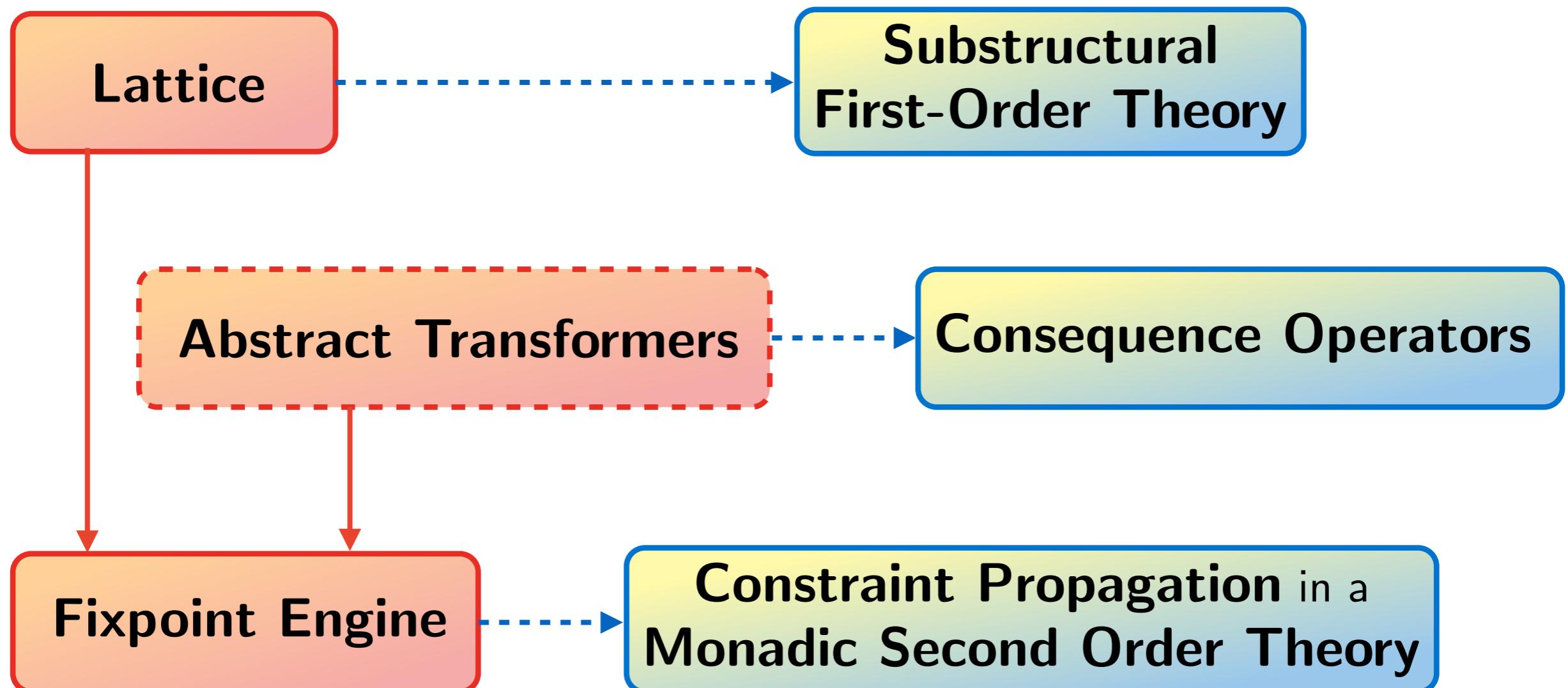
the analysis is **sound**...

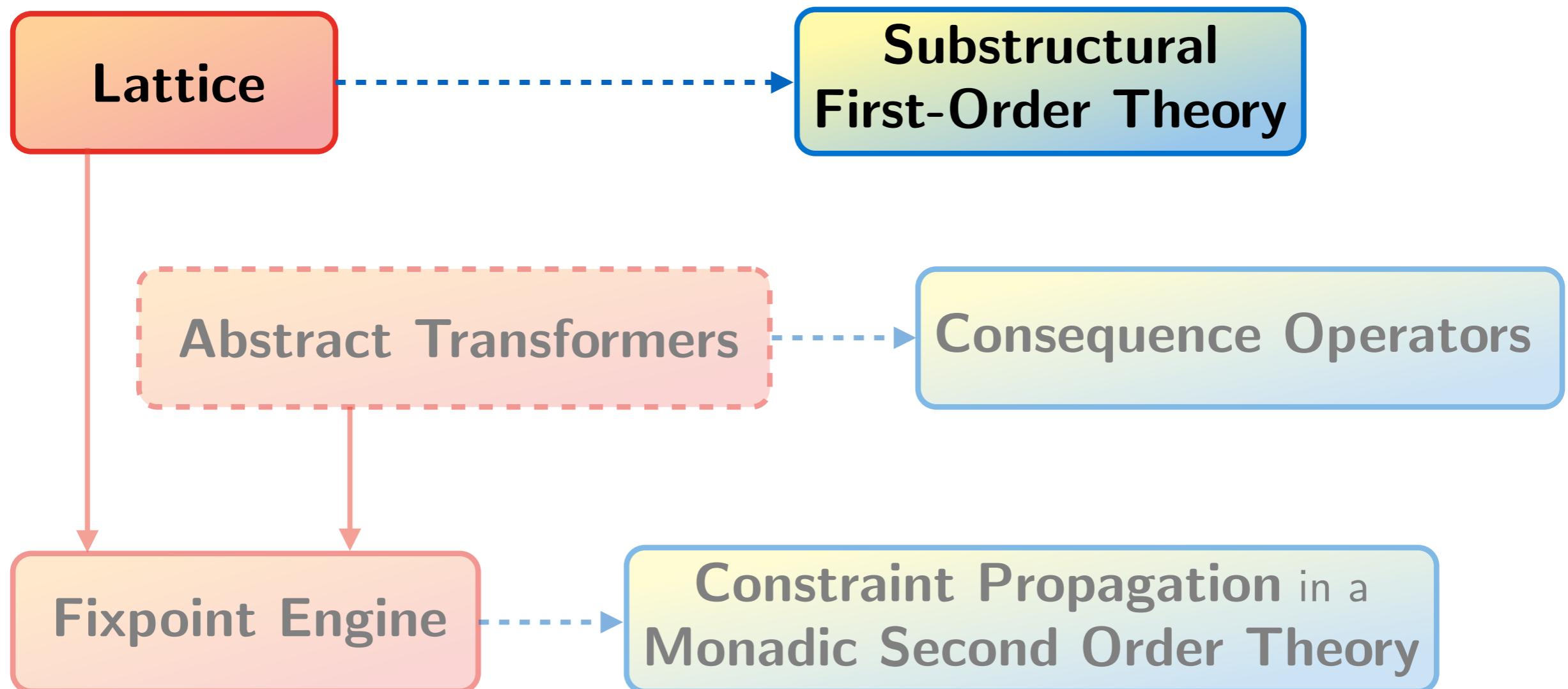
... but **incomplete**

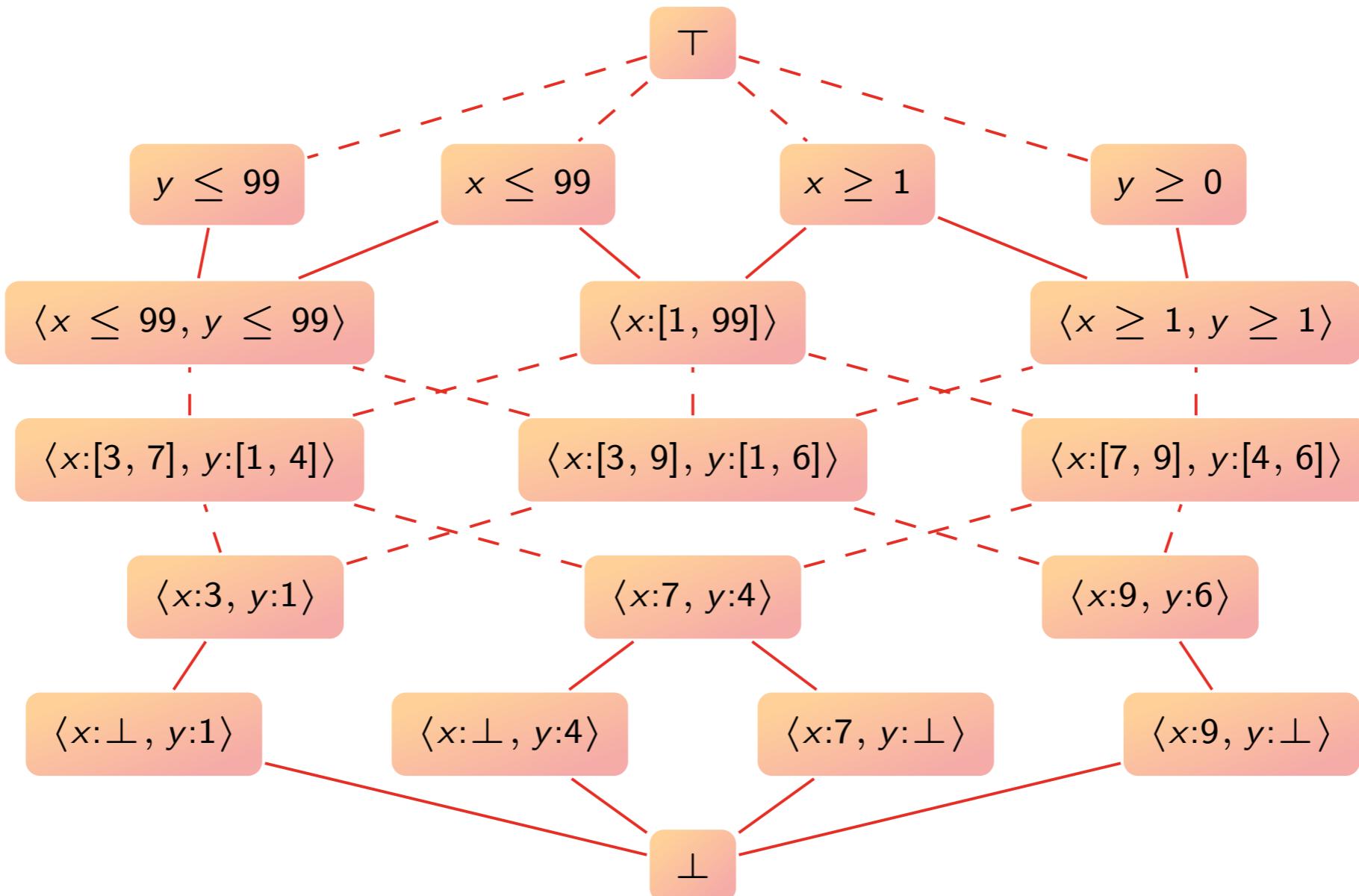
- **value approximation**
- **approximate reasoning**
- **performance** improvement
- systematic way to develop specialized solvers  
when general solvers are not available



- how can we generate proofs when an abstract interpreter is used in a decision procedure?
- can abstract interpreters be modified to generate a proof certificate that can be checked independently?
- is there a mathematical framework to aid in incorporating ideas from SMT solvers in abstract interpreters?

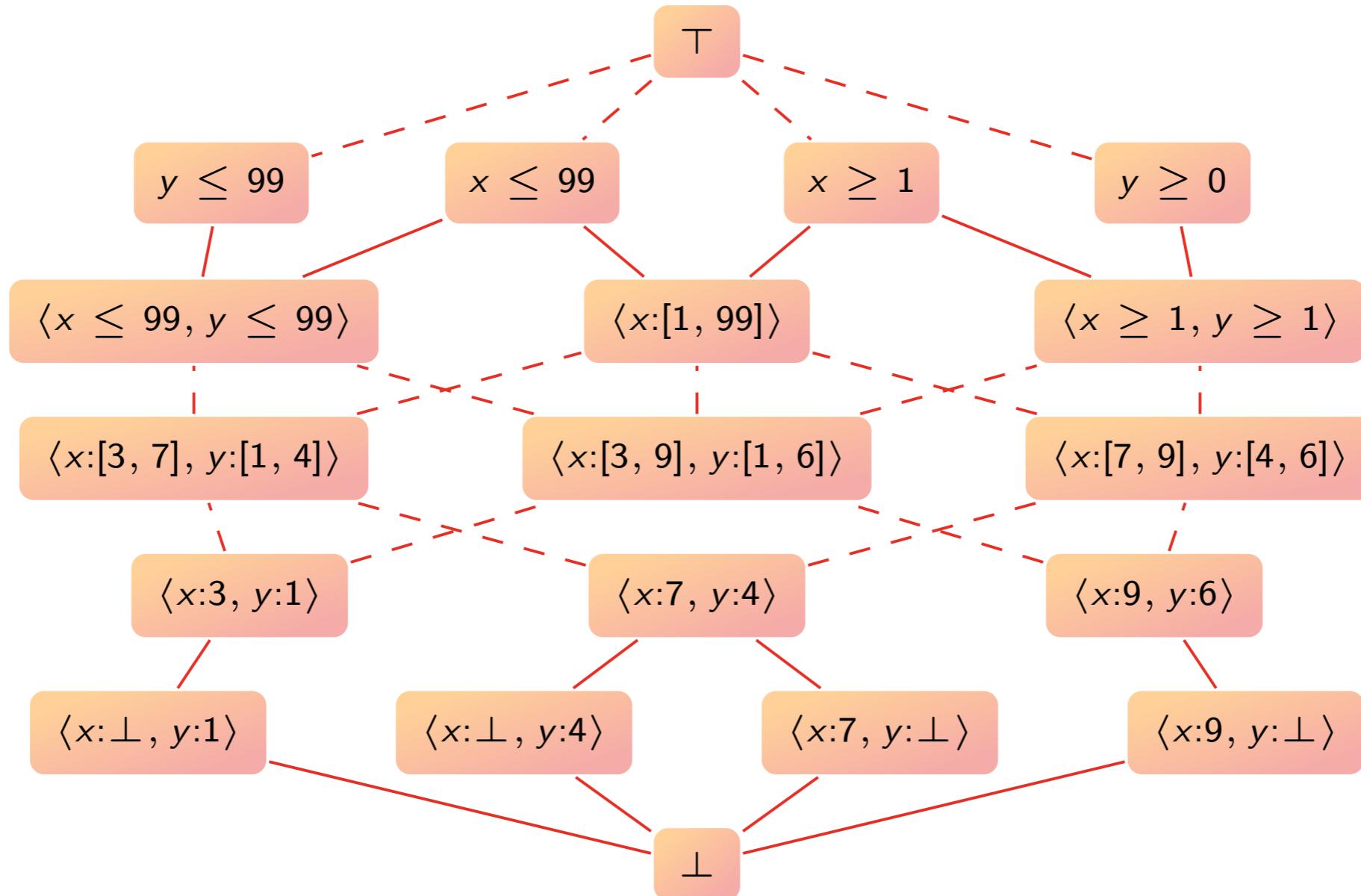




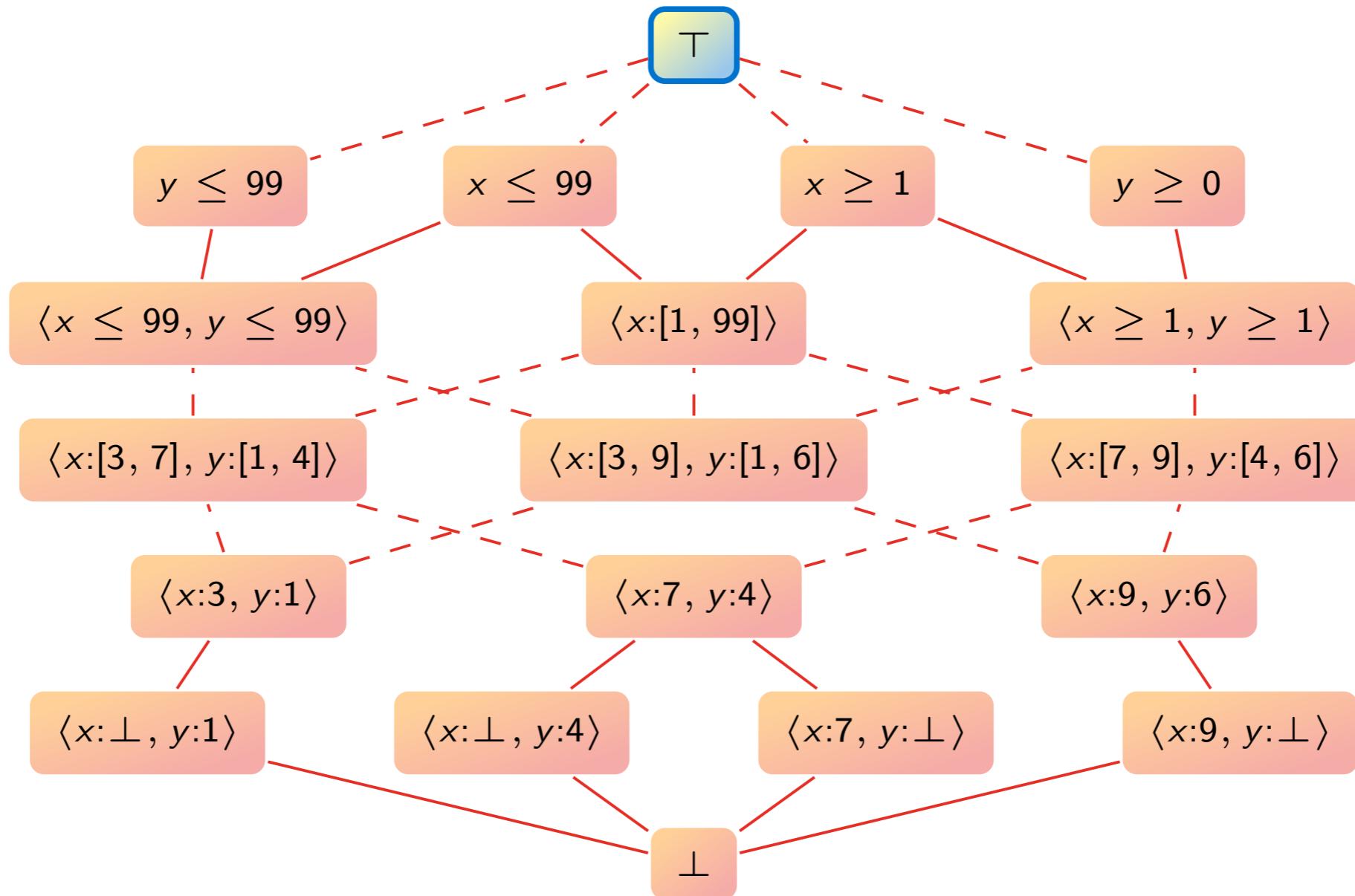


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- how can we prove that the logic captures the lattice?

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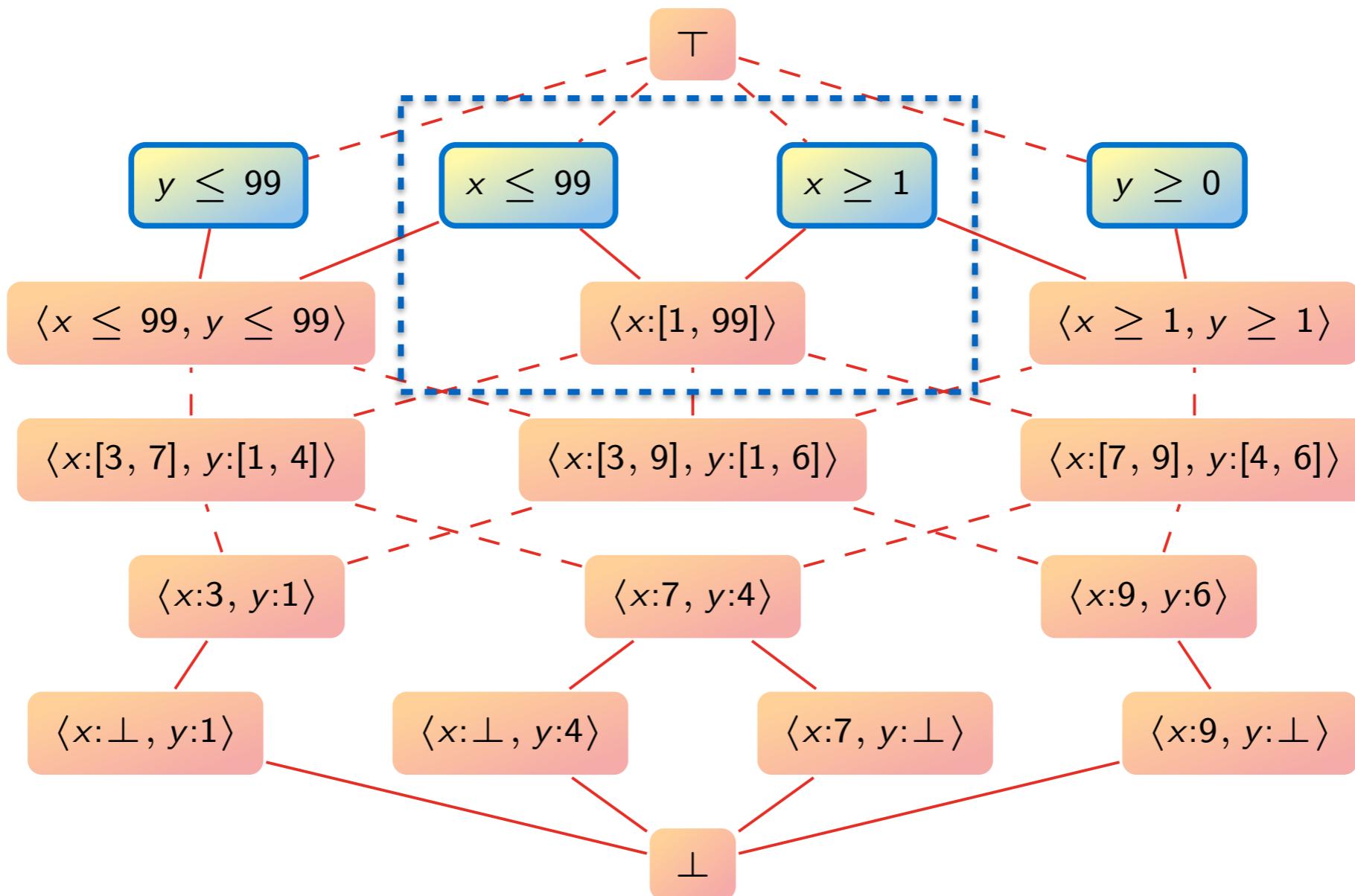


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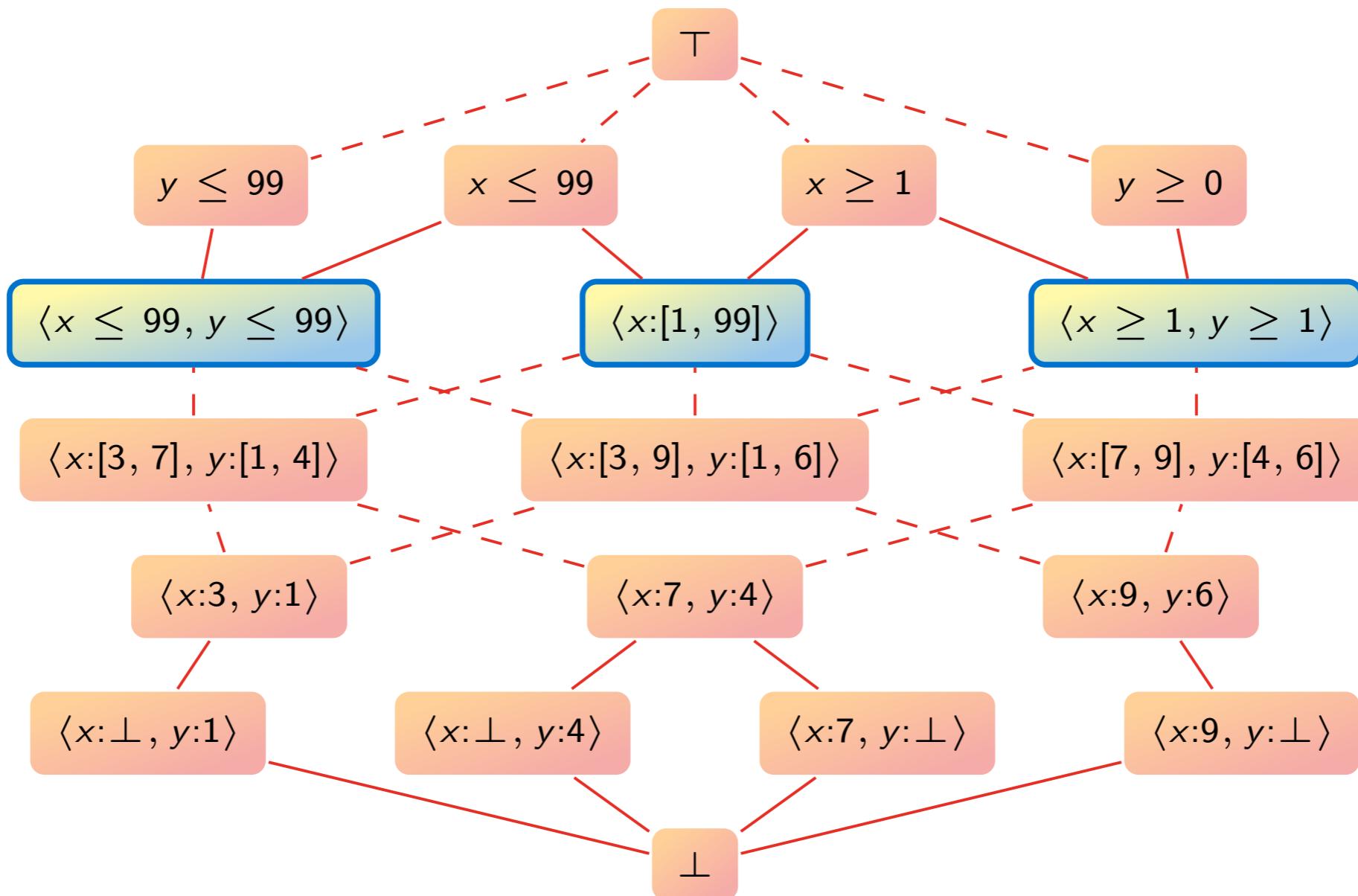
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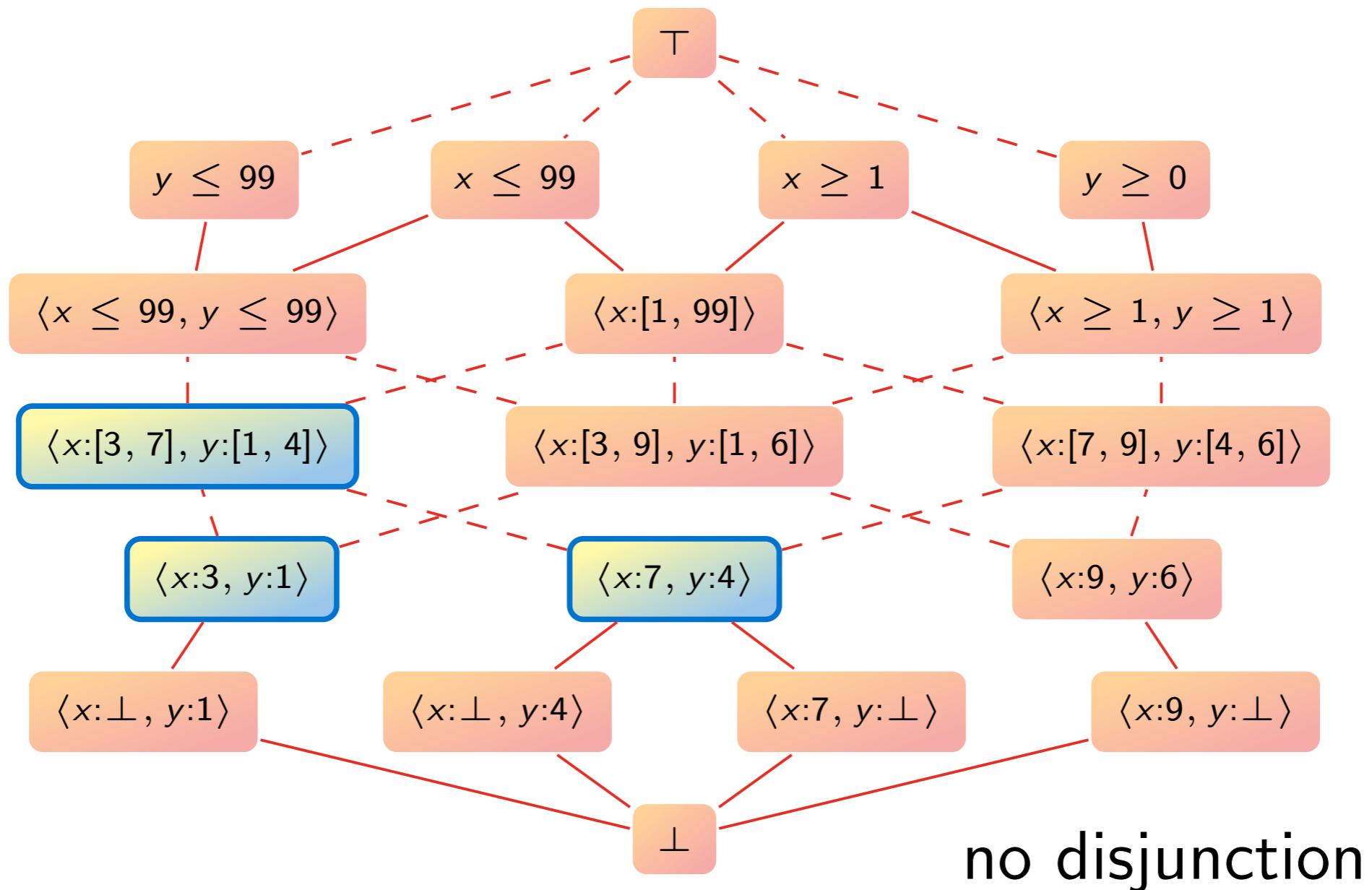
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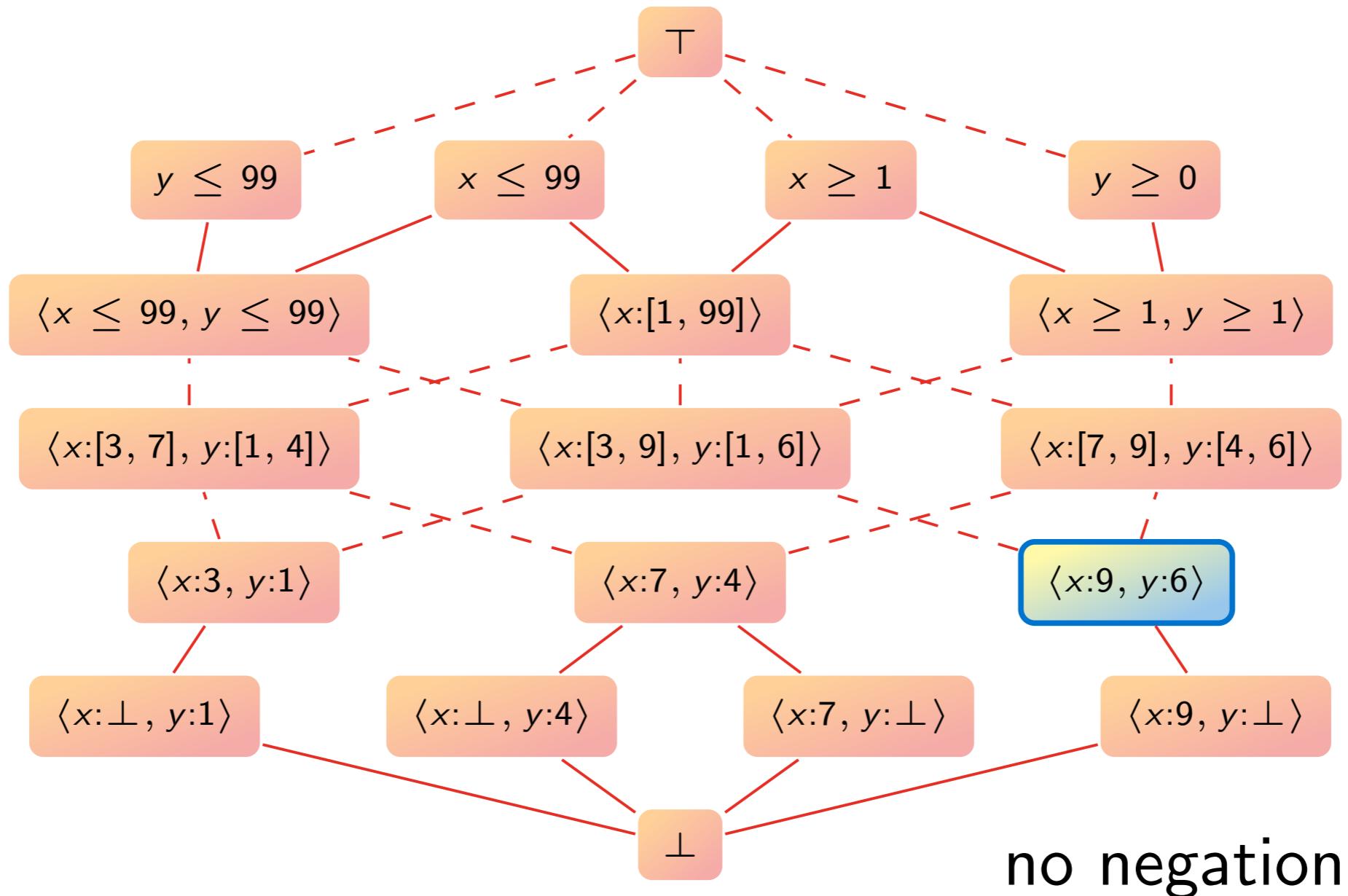
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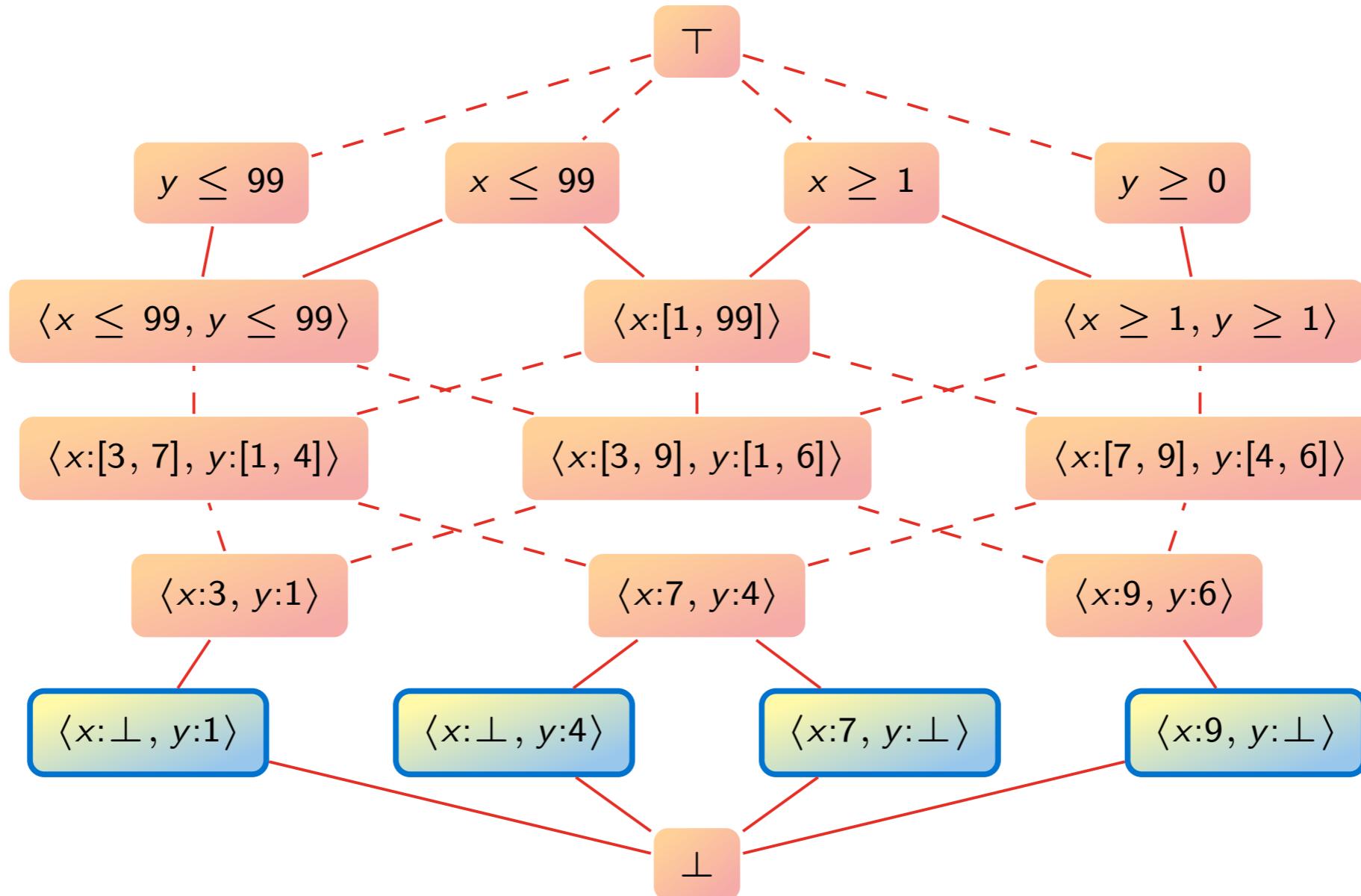
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$$\varphi ::= \text{tt} \mid x \leq k \mid x \geq k \mid \varphi \wedge \varphi \mid \text{ff}_x$$

- what is the **proof system** of the logic?

$\Gamma, \Sigma \vdash \Delta, \Theta$

standard Gentzen sequent

standard interpretation

$\Gamma \wedge \Sigma \Rightarrow \Delta \vee \Theta$

$\Gamma, \Sigma \vdash \varphi$

single first-order formula

**substructural** logic

- what is the **proof system** of the logic?

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{tt}} \text{ttR} \quad \frac{}{\text{ff}_x \vdash \varphi(x)} \text{ffL}$$

$\text{ff}_x \vdash x \geq 5 \wedge x \leq 10$   
 $\text{ff}_x \not\vdash x \geq 5 \wedge y \leq 1$

- what is the **proof system** of the logic?

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{tt}} \text{ttR} \quad \frac{}{\text{ff}_x \vdash \varphi(x)} \text{ffL} \\
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 \frac{}{\varphi \vdash \varphi} \text{I} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \quad \varphi, \Sigma \vdash \psi}{\Gamma, \Sigma \vdash \psi} \text{CUT} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \psi}{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \psi} \text{WL} \quad \frac{\Gamma, \varphi, \varphi \vdash \psi}{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \psi} \text{CL} \quad \frac{\Gamma, \varphi, \psi \vdash \theta}{\Gamma, \psi, \varphi \vdash \theta} \text{PL}
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standard structural and cut rules

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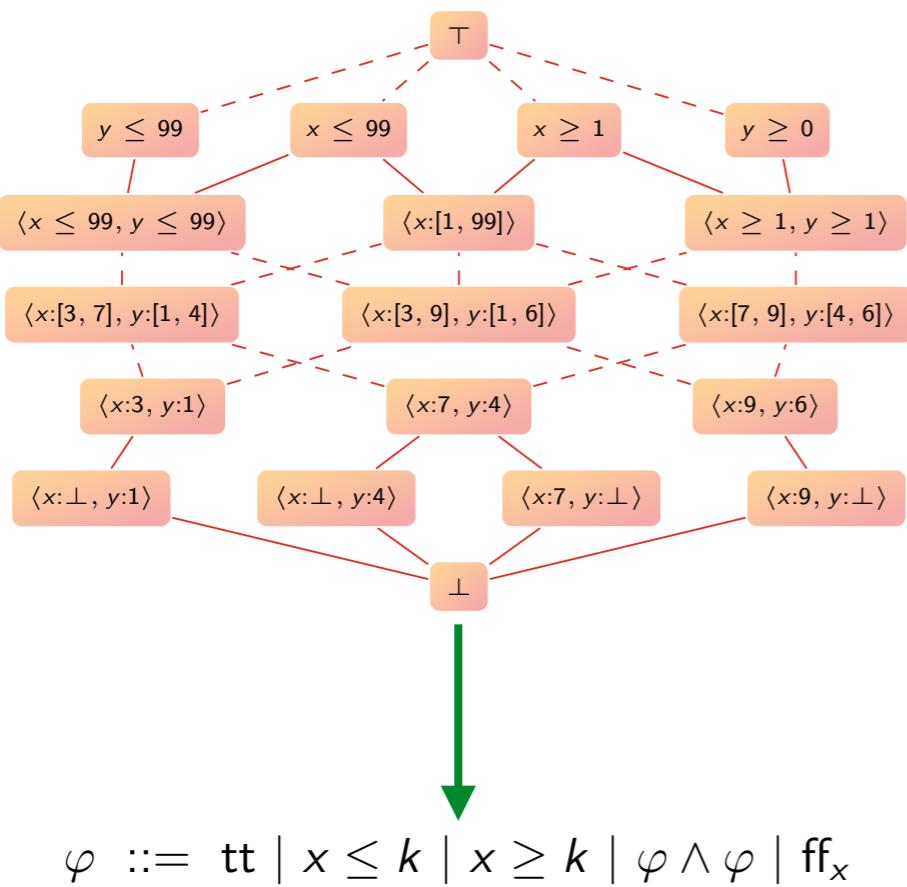
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 \end{array}$$

standard logical rules for conjunction

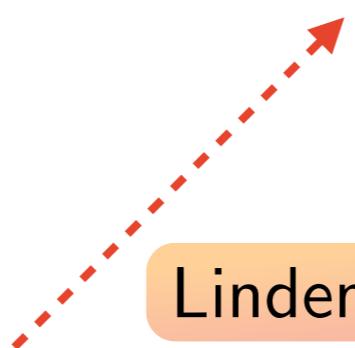
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 [m \leq n] \frac{\Gamma, x \leq n \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma, x \leq m \vdash \varphi} \text{ UB-L} \quad [m \leq n] \frac{\Gamma \vdash x \leq m}{\Gamma \vdash x \leq n} \text{ UB-R} \\[10pt]
 [m \leq n] \frac{\Gamma, x \geq m \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma, x \geq n \vdash \varphi} \text{ LB-L} \quad [m \leq n] \frac{\Gamma \vdash x \geq n}{\Gamma \vdash x \geq m} \text{ LB-R} \\[10pt]
 [m < n] \frac{}{\Gamma, x \leq m \wedge x \geq n \vdash \text{ff}_x} \text{ ffR}_5
 \end{array}$$

- how can we prove that the logic captures the lattice?



Thm. 3



Lindenbaum-Tarski construction

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{tt}} \text{ttR}$$

$$\frac{\text{ff}_x \vdash \varphi(x)}{\Gamma \vdash \text{ff}_x} \text{ffL}$$

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$$\frac{\Gamma, \varphi \vdash \theta}{\Gamma, \varphi \wedge \psi \vdash \theta} \wedge_{L1} \quad \frac{\Gamma, \psi \vdash \theta}{\Gamma, \varphi \wedge \psi \vdash \theta} \wedge_{L2} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \varphi \quad \Sigma \vdash \psi}{\Gamma, \Sigma \vdash \varphi \wedge \psi} \wedge_R$$

$$[m \leq n] \frac{\Gamma, x \leq n \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma, x \leq m \vdash \varphi} \text{UB-L} \quad [m \leq n] \frac{\Gamma \vdash x \leq m}{\Gamma \vdash x \leq n} \text{UB-R}$$

$$[m \leq n] \frac{\Gamma, x \geq m \vdash \varphi}{\Gamma, x \geq n \vdash \varphi} \text{LB-L} \quad [m \leq n] \frac{\Gamma \vdash x \geq n}{\Gamma \vdash x \geq m} \text{LB-R}$$

$$[m < n] \frac{}{\Gamma, x \leq m \wedge x \geq n \vdash \text{ff}_x} \text{ffR5}$$

$\langle \mathcal{I}, \vdash \rangle$

Lindenbaum-Tarski construction

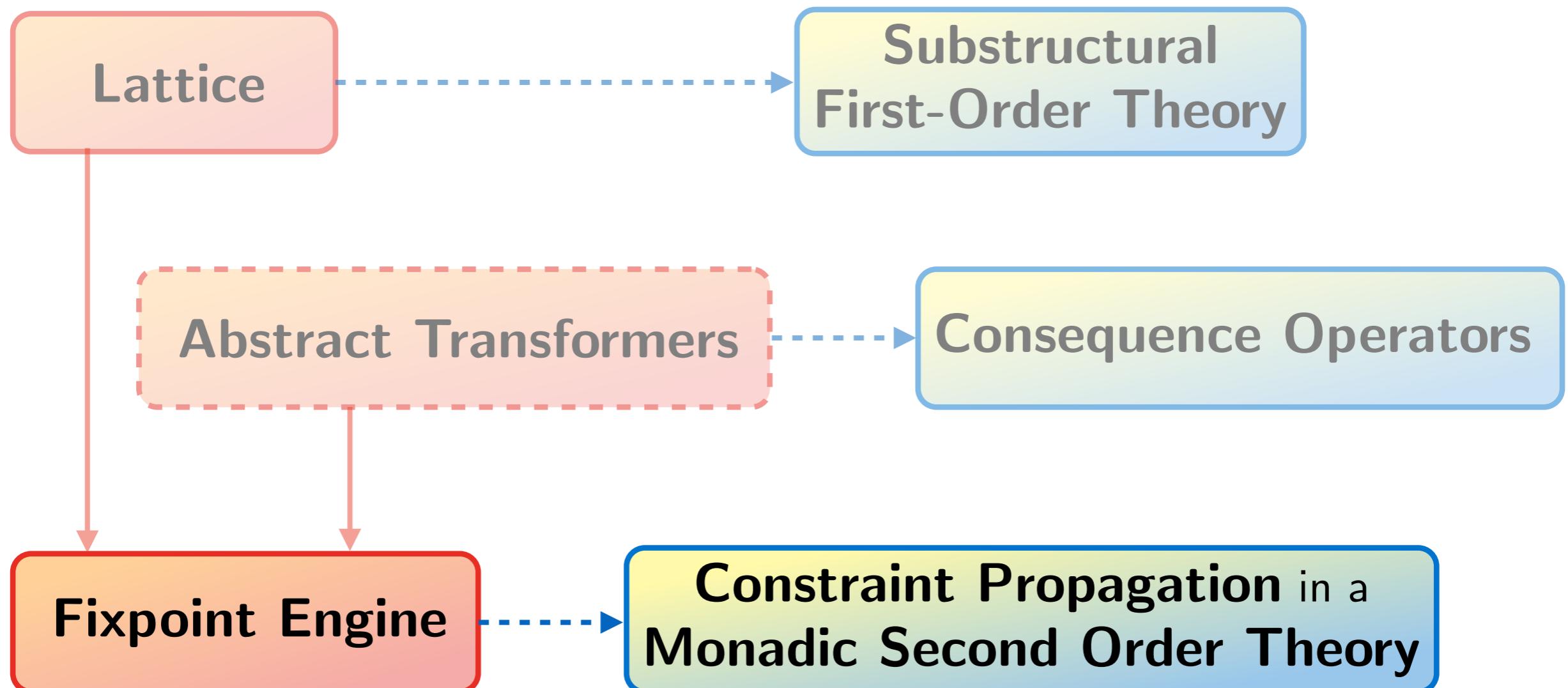
$\langle \mathcal{I}/\equiv, \sqsubseteq, \sqcap \rangle$

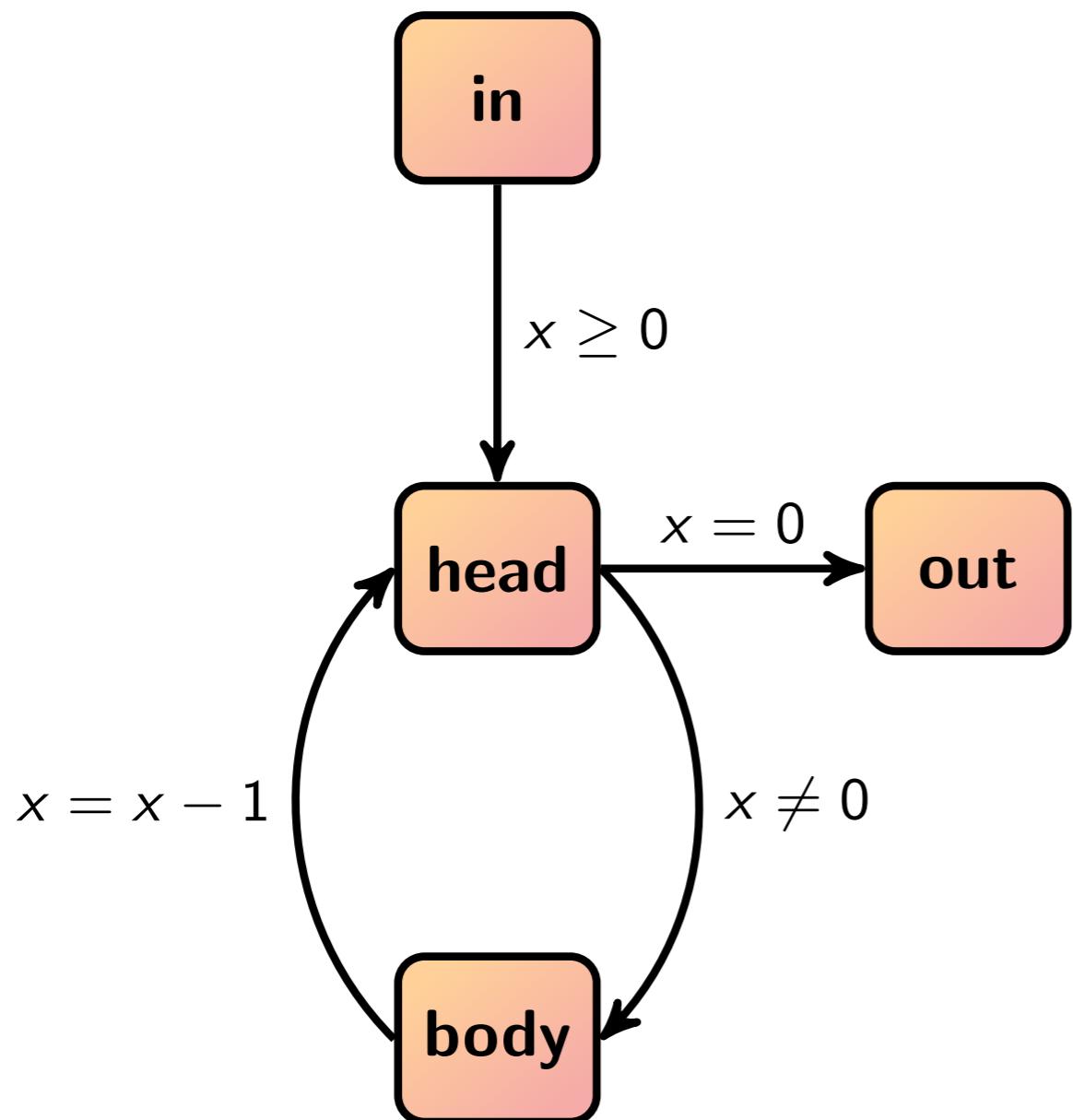
$\varphi \equiv \psi$  if  $\varphi \vdash \psi$  and  $\psi \vdash \varphi$

$x \leq 5 \equiv x \leq 5 \wedge x \leq 6$

$\varphi \sqsubseteq \psi$  if  $\theta_1 \vdash \theta_2$  for  $\theta_1 \in [\varphi]$  and  $\theta_2 \in [\varphi]$

$\varphi \sqcap \psi$  if  $[\theta_1 \wedge \theta_2]$  for  $\theta_1 \in [\varphi]$  and  $\theta_2 \in [\varphi]$





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**variable**  $\mapsto$  constraints

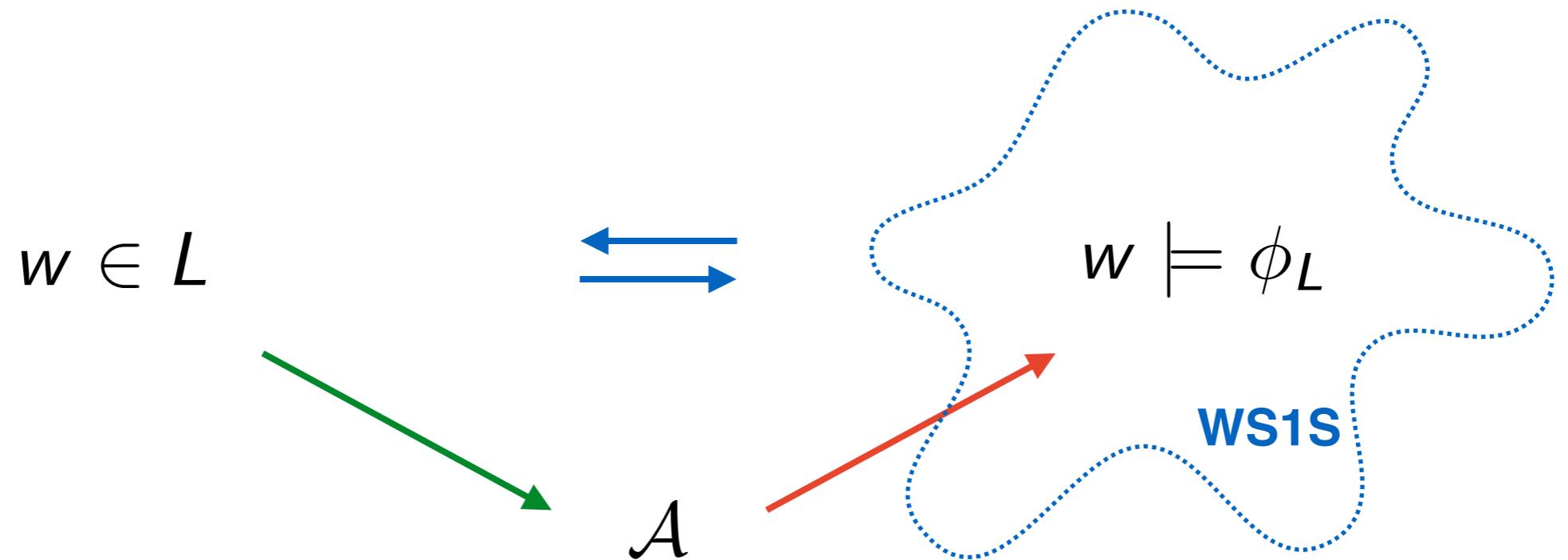
is invariant construction  
a form of SAT solving?

$$(w \vee z) \wedge (y \vee z) \wedge (\neg w \vee \neg z) \wedge (\neg y \vee z)$$

<b>w</b>	$\mapsto$	<i>false</i>
<b>y</b>	$\mapsto$	<i>unknown</i>
<b>z</b>	$\mapsto$	<i>true</i>

## Büchi's Theorem

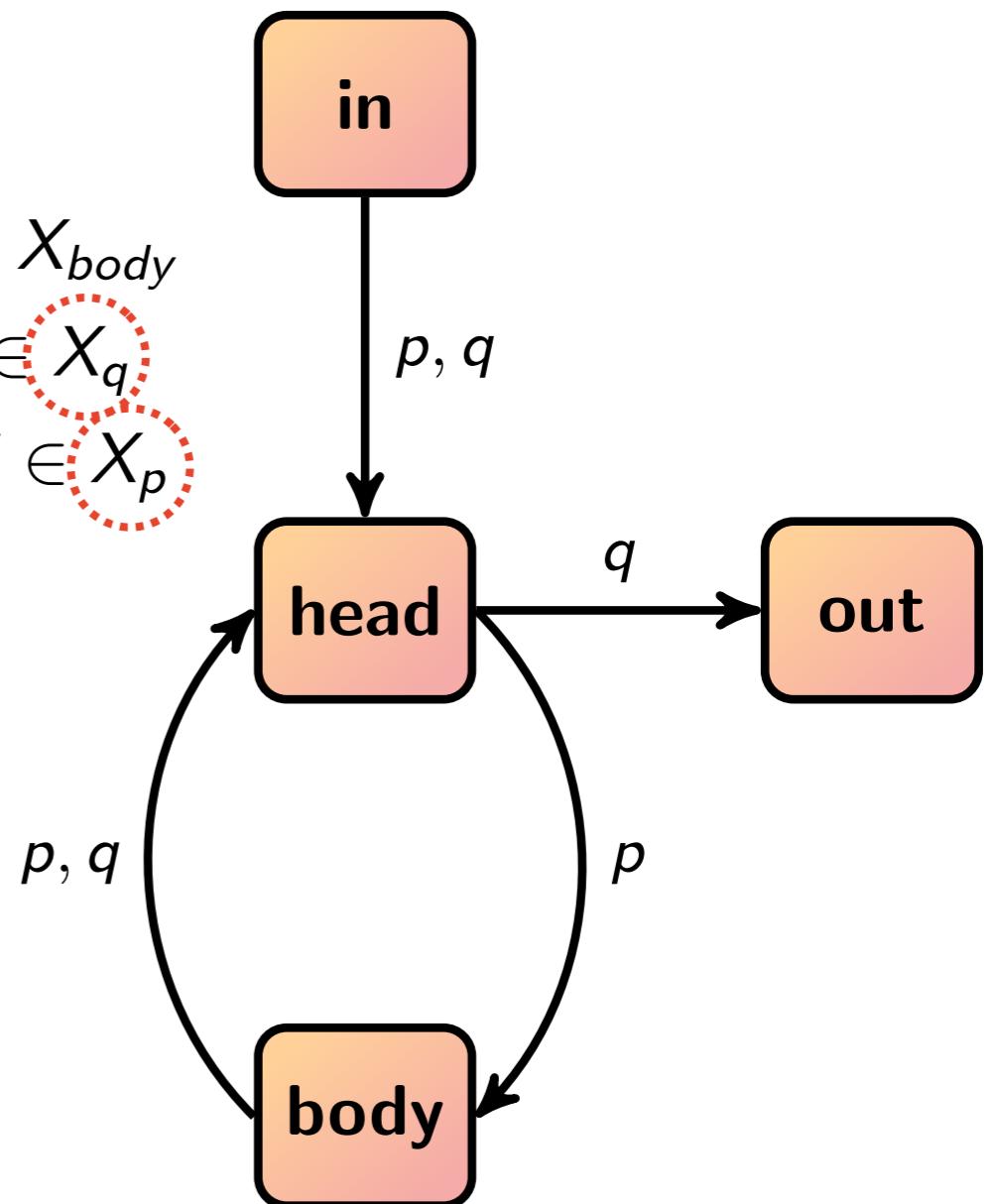
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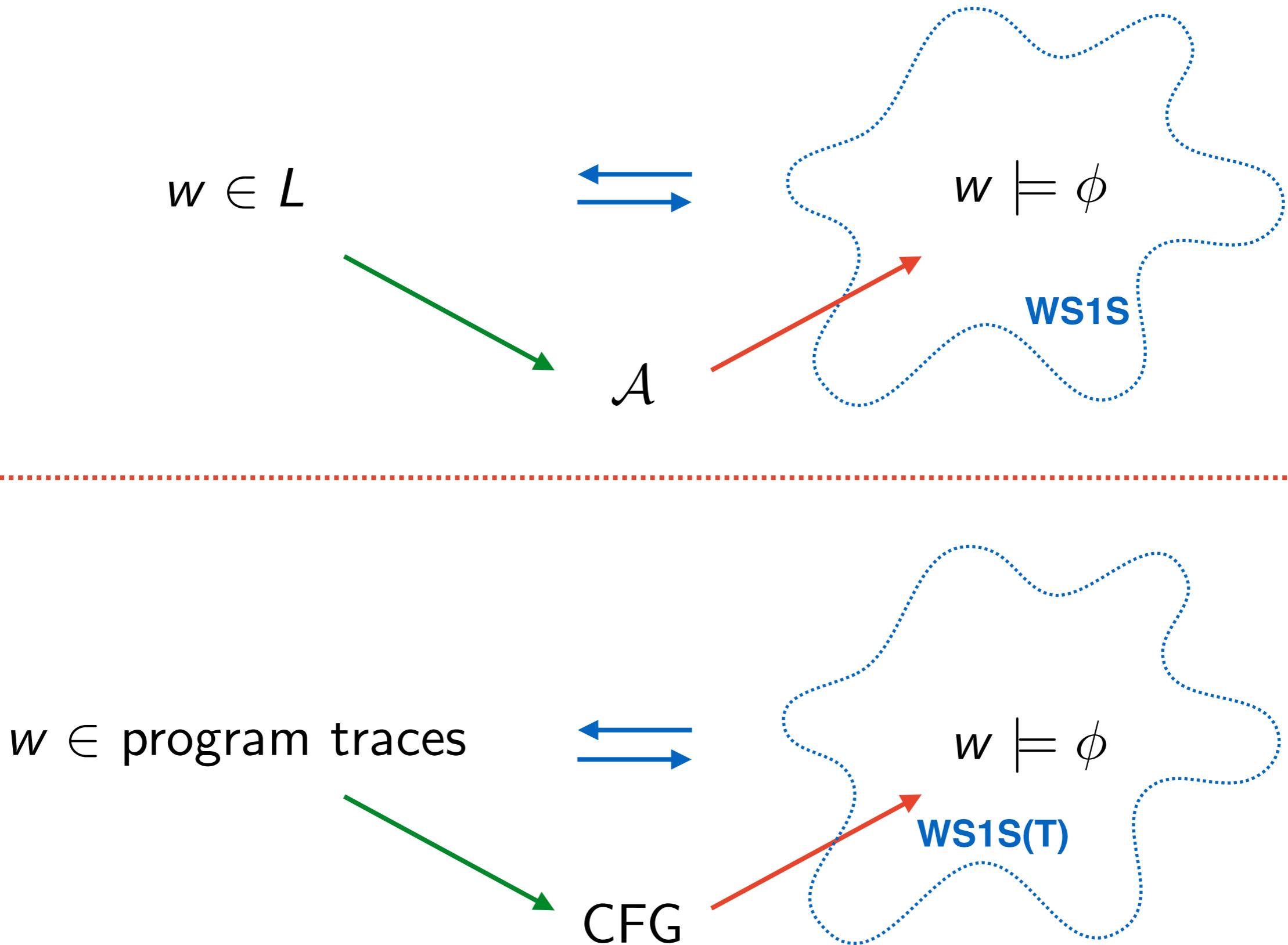


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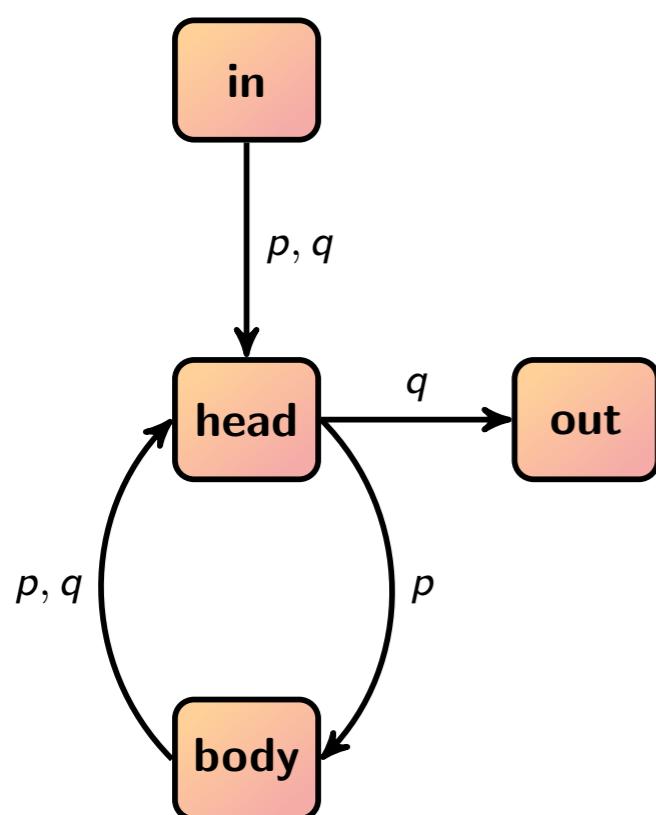
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$$\begin{array}{l}
 \neg \forall j : \neg \text{Succ}(j, i) \\
 \downarrow \\
 \forall i : \text{First}(i) \rightarrow i \in X_{in} \\
 \wedge \forall i \forall j : j \in X_{head} \wedge \text{Succ}(i, j) \rightarrow i \in X_{in} \vee i \in X_{body} \\
 \wedge \forall i \forall j : j \in X_{out} \wedge \text{Succ}(i, j) \rightarrow i \in X_{head} \wedge i \in X_q \\
 \wedge \forall i \forall j : j \in X_{body} \wedge \text{Succ}(i, j) \rightarrow i \in X_{head} \wedge i \in X_p \\
 \wedge \forall i : \text{Last}(i) \rightarrow i \in X_{out} \\
 \uparrow \\
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 \end{array}$$





$\mathcal{A}$

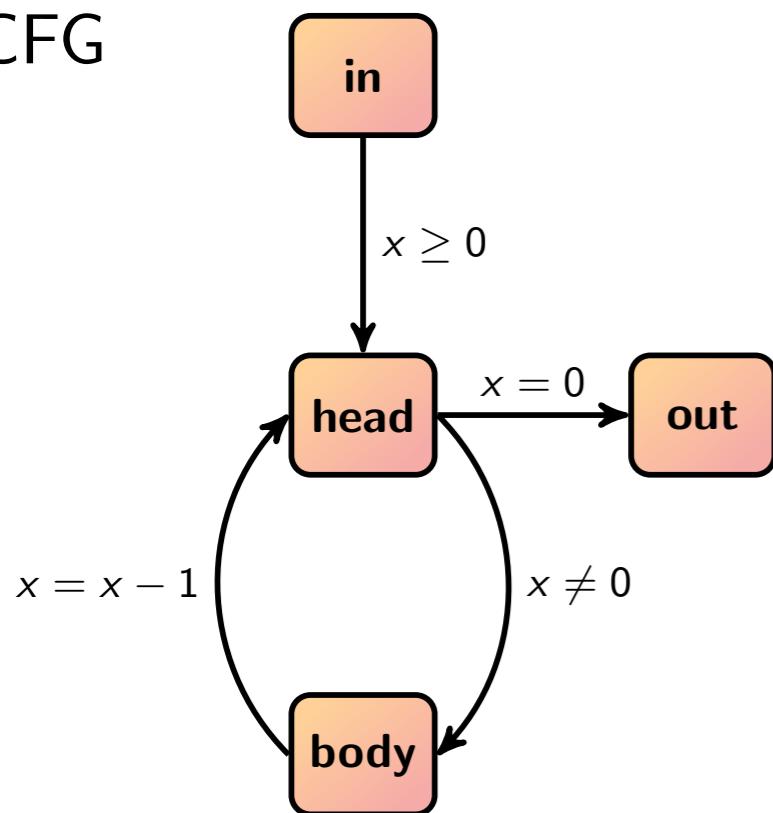


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(The term  $i \in X_q$  is circled in red.)

WS1S

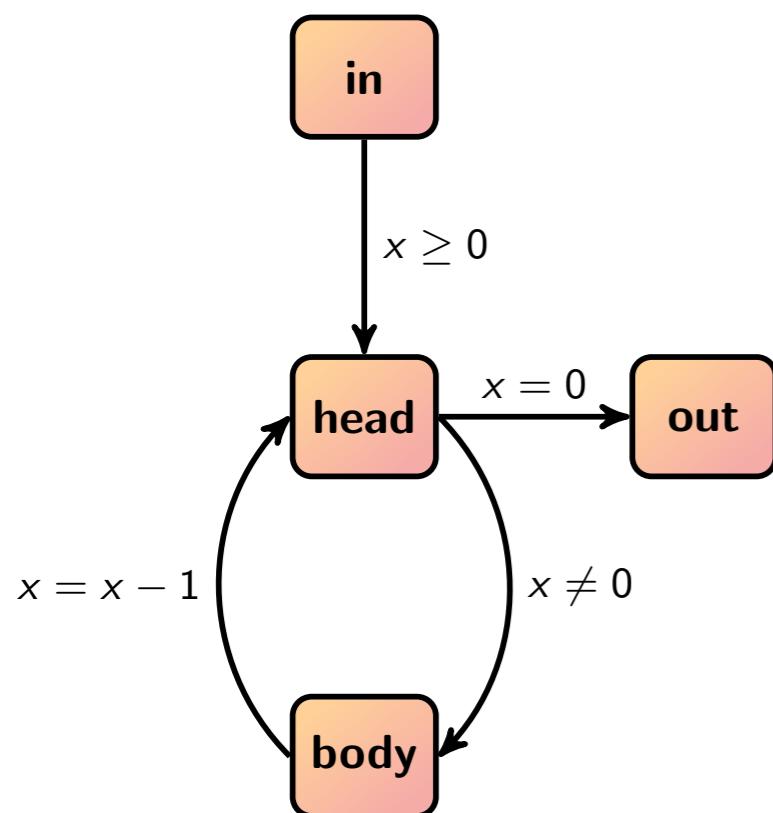
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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \forall i : \text{First}(i) \rightarrow i \in X_{in} \\
 \wedge \quad & \forall i \forall j : j \in X_{head} \wedge \text{Succ}(i, j) \rightarrow i \in X_{in} \wedge (x \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{succ}(x) = x)(i) \\
 \wedge \quad & \forall i \forall j : j \in X_{out} \wedge \text{Succ}(i, j) \rightarrow i \in X_{head} \wedge (x = 0 \rightarrow \text{succ}(x) = x)(i) \\
 \wedge \quad & \forall i \forall j : j \in X_{body} \wedge \text{Succ}(i, j) \rightarrow i \in X_{head} \wedge (x \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{succ}(x) = x)(i) \\
 \wedge \quad & \forall i \forall j : j \in X_{head} \wedge \text{Succ}(i, j) \rightarrow i \in X_{body} \wedge (\text{succ}(x) = x - 1)(i) \\
 \wedge \quad & \forall i : \text{Last}(i) \rightarrow i \in X_{out}
 \end{aligned}$$

(The terms  $(x \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{succ}(x) = x)(i)$ ,  $(x = 0 \rightarrow \text{succ}(x) = x)(i)$ , and  $(\text{succ}(x) = x - 1)(i)$  are circled in red.)

WS1S( $\mathcal{T}$ )

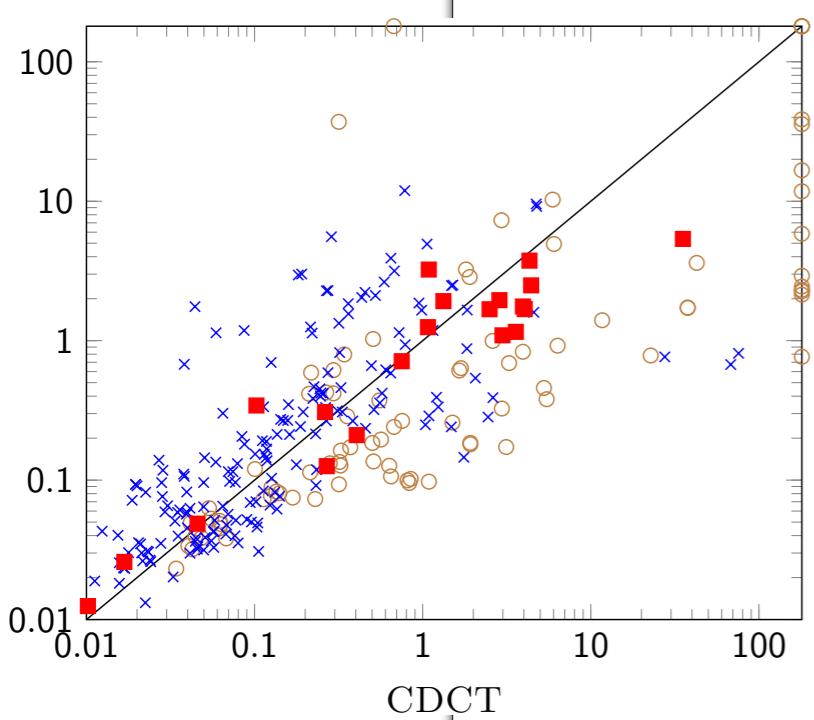


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### Theorem

an **abstract interpreter** is a **sound** but *incomplete solver* for satisfiability of these formulae



## Conflict-Driven Conditional Termination

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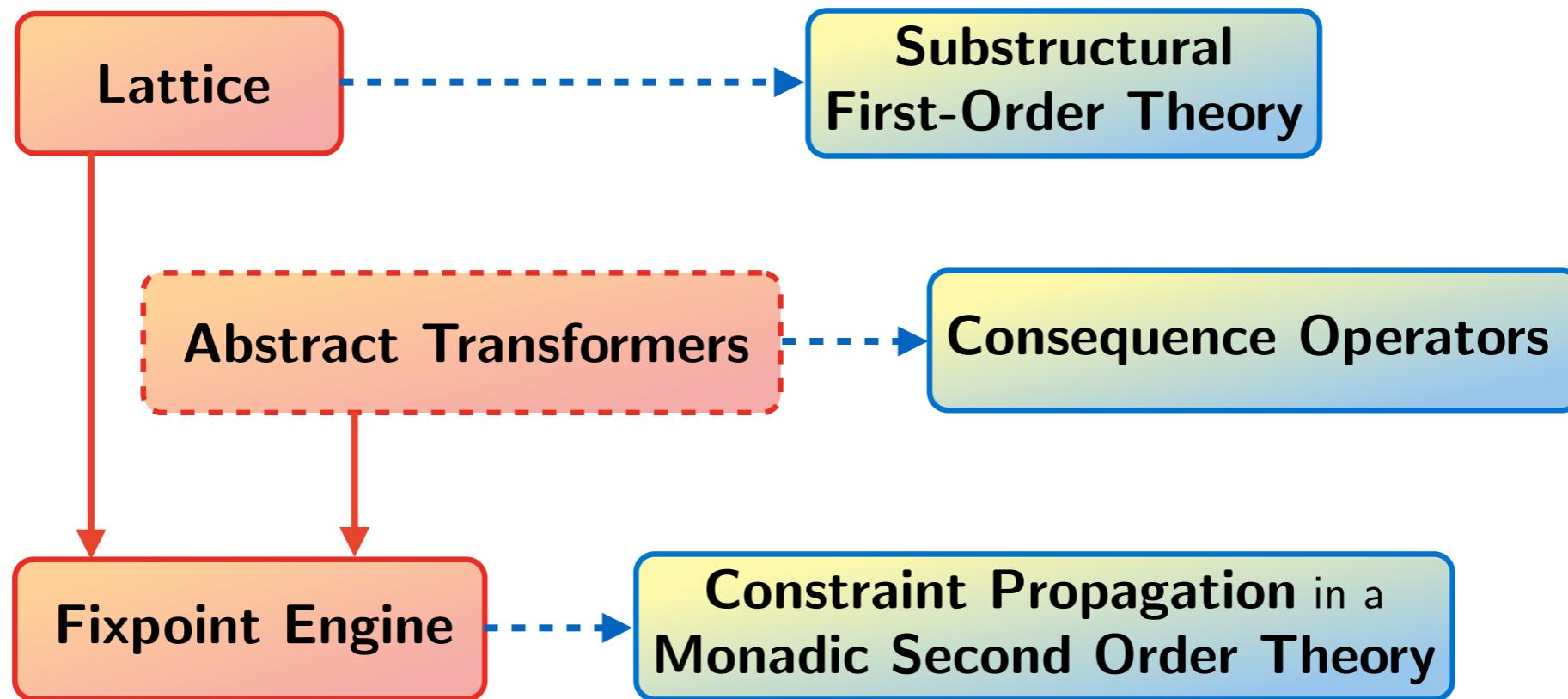
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**Abstract.** Conflict-driven learning, which is essential to the performance of SAT and SMT solvers, consists of a procedure that searches for a model of a formula, and refutation procedure for proving that no model exists. This paper shows that conflict-driven learning can improve the precision of a termination analysis based on abstract interpretation. We encode non-termination as satisfiability in a monadic second-order logic and use abstract interpreters to reason about the satisfiability of this formula. Our search procedure combines decisions with reachability analysis to find potentially non-terminating executions and our refutation procedure uses a conditional termination analysis. Our implementation extends the set of conditional termination arguments discovered by an existing termination analyzer.

### 1 Conflict-Driven Learning for Termination

Conflict-driven learning procedures are integral to the performance of SAT and SMT solvers. Such procedures combine search and refutation to determine if a formula is satisfiable. Conflicts discovered by search drive refutation, and search learns from refutation to avoid regions of the search space without solutions.

Our work is driven by the observation that discovering a small number of disjunctive termination arguments is crucial to the performance of certain termination analyzers [27]. Fig. 1 summarizes our lifting of conflict-driven learning to termination analysis. We use reachability analysis to find a set of states that constitute potentially non-terminating execution. We apply a conditional termi-



## Future Work

- general theory for **non-Cartesian** abstract domains
- integration of decision rules from SAT solvers into static analyzers
- **proof generation** from static analysis