

# A Decision Tree Abstract Domain for Proving Conditional Termination

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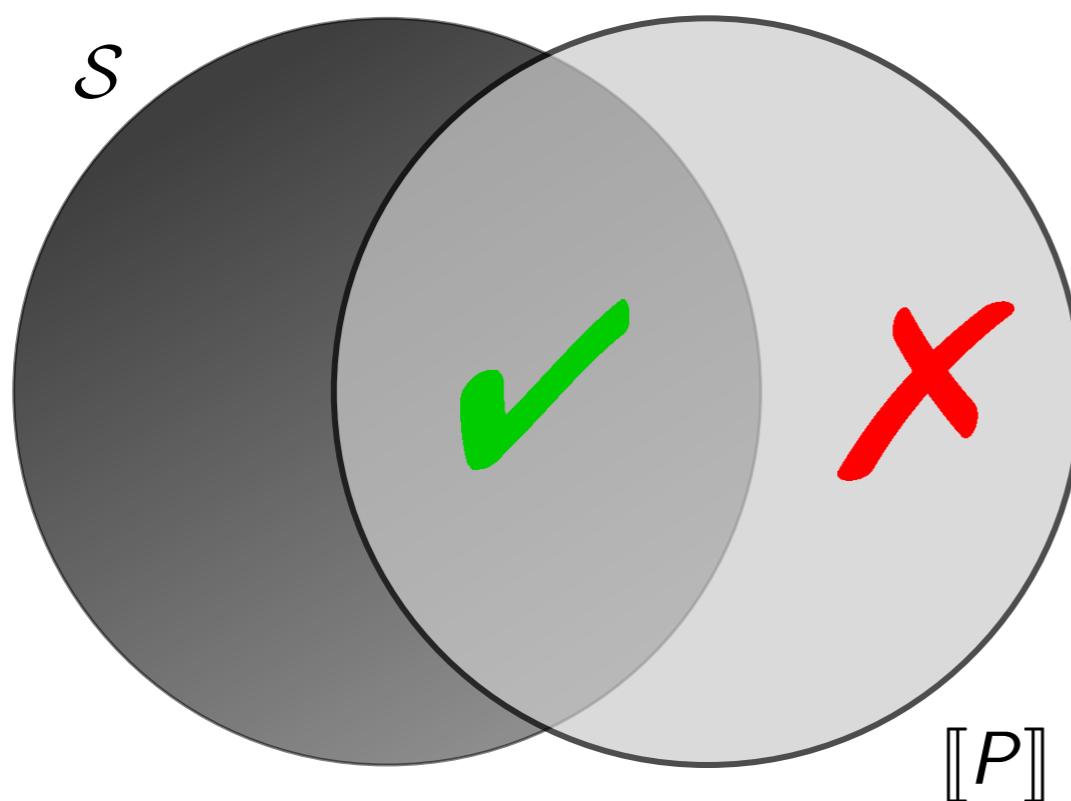
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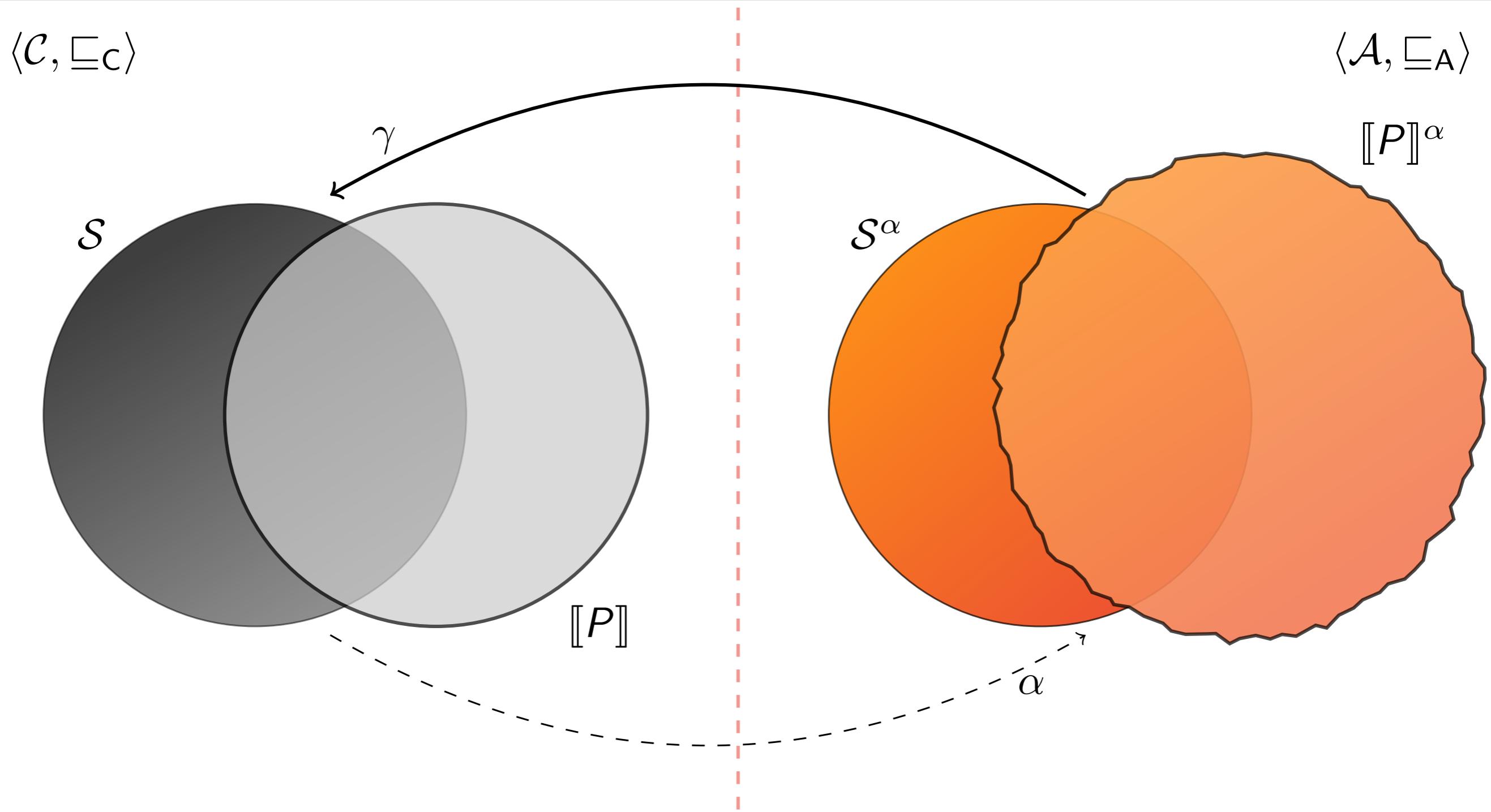
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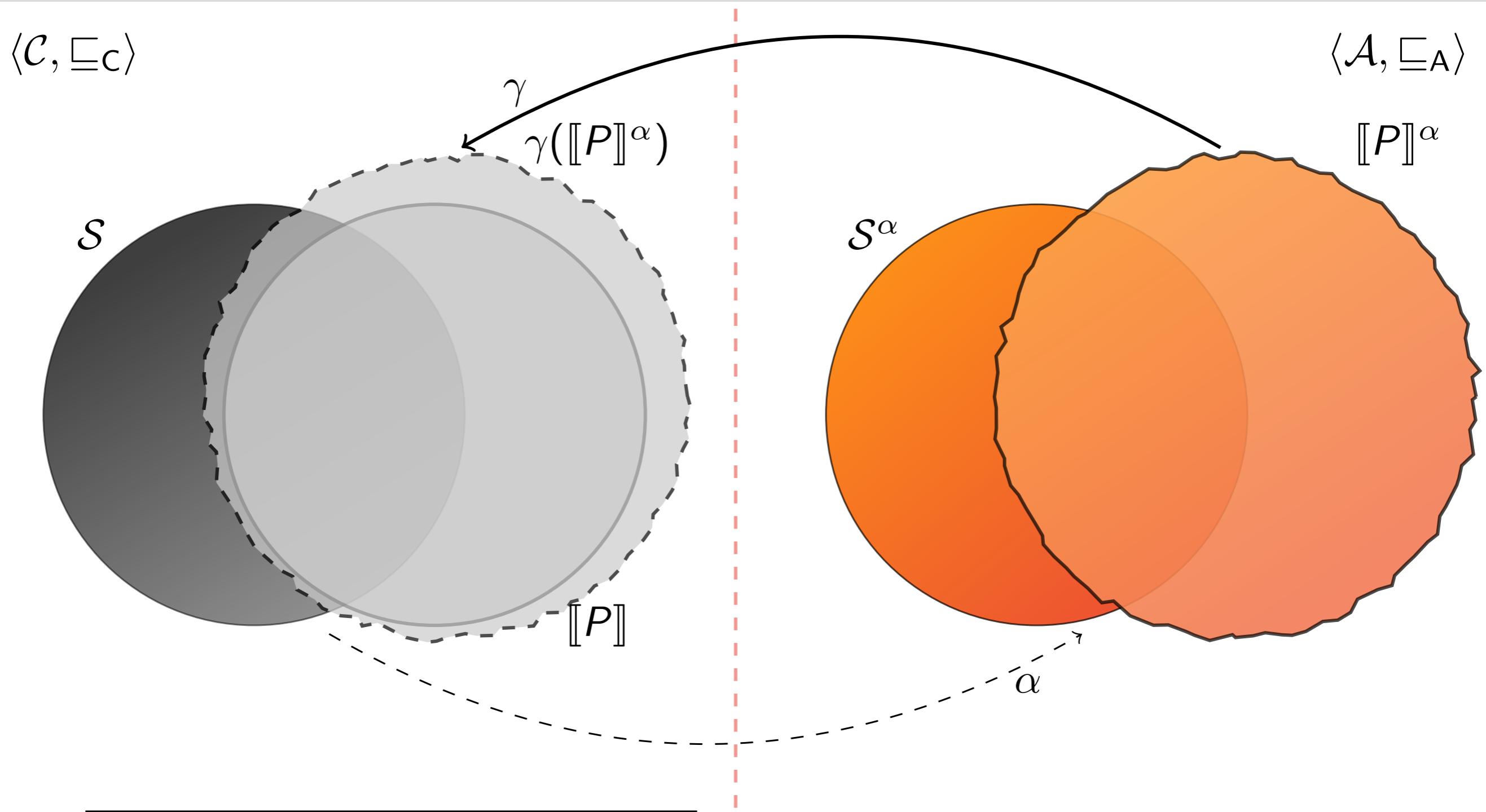
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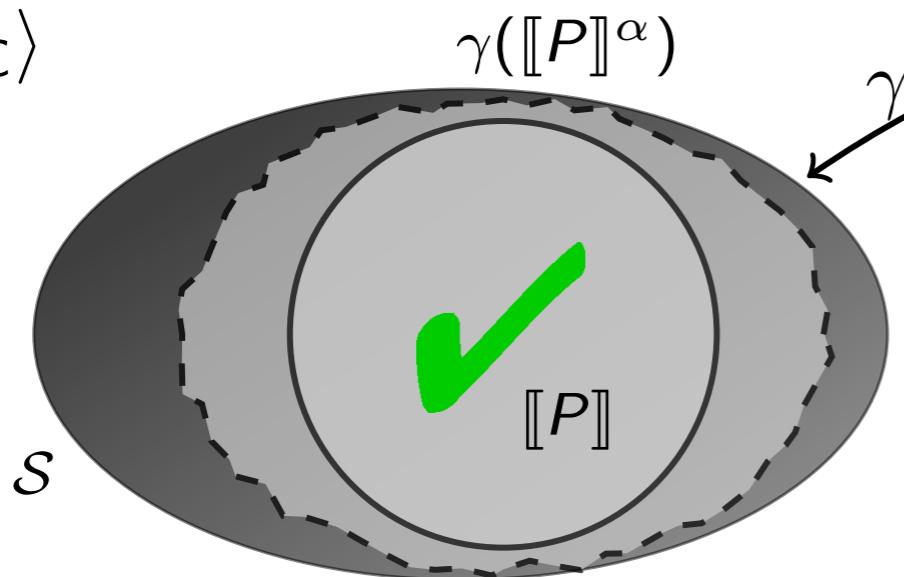
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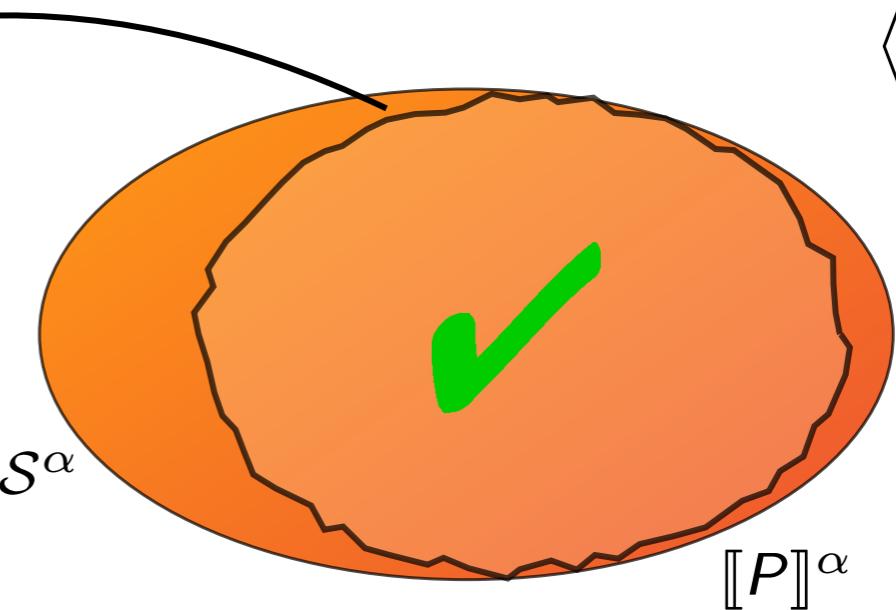


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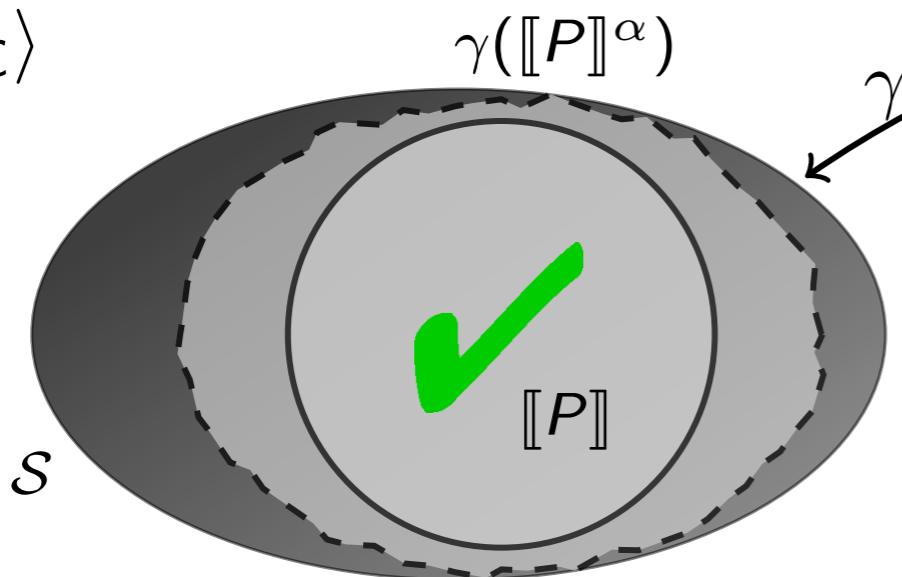
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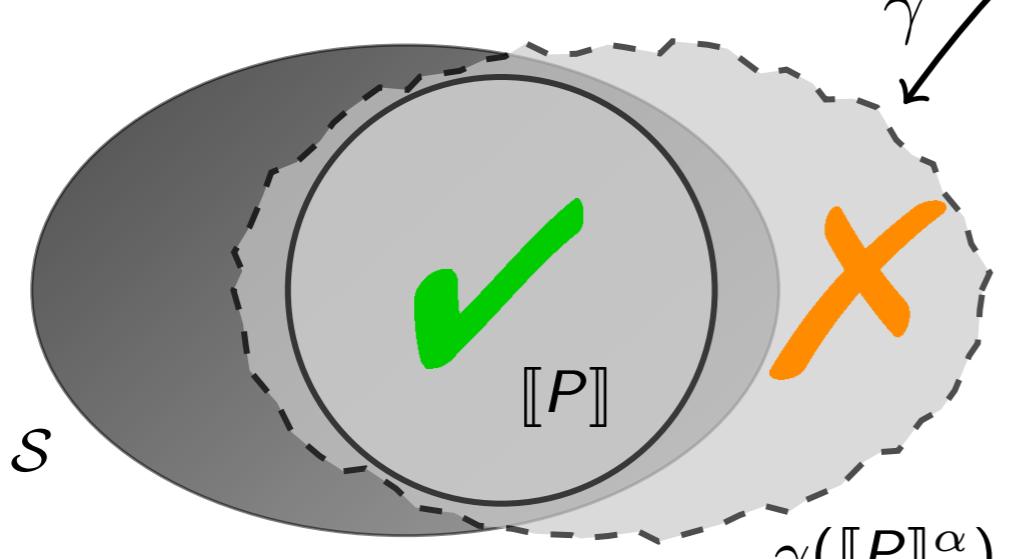
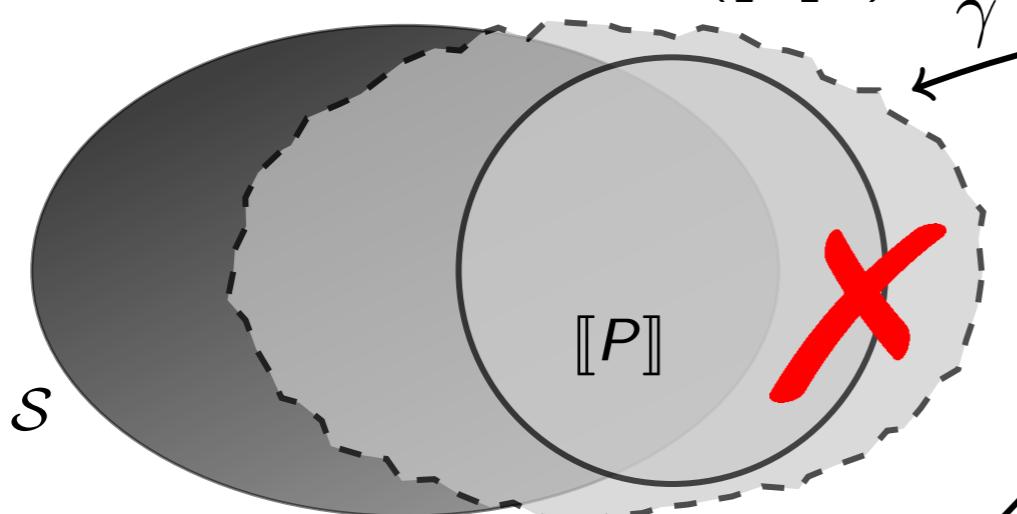
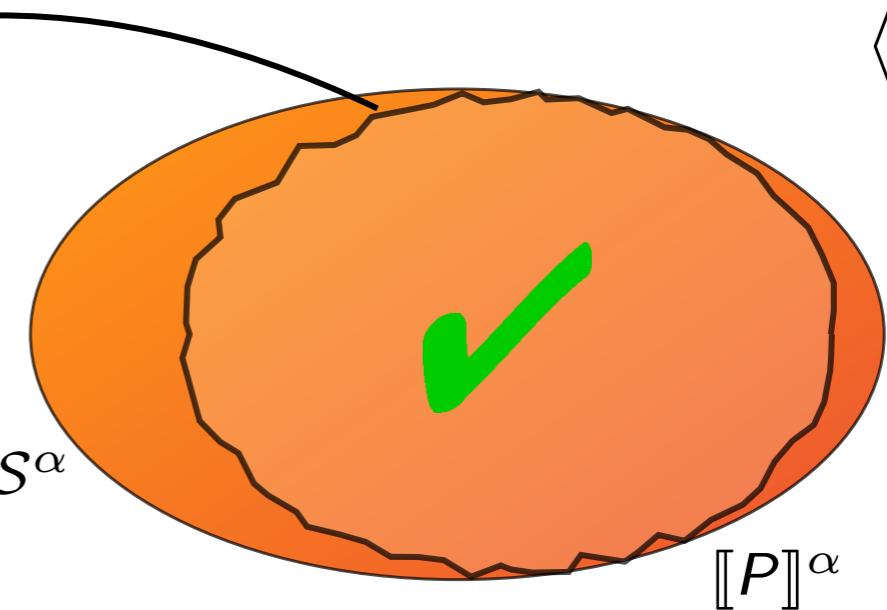
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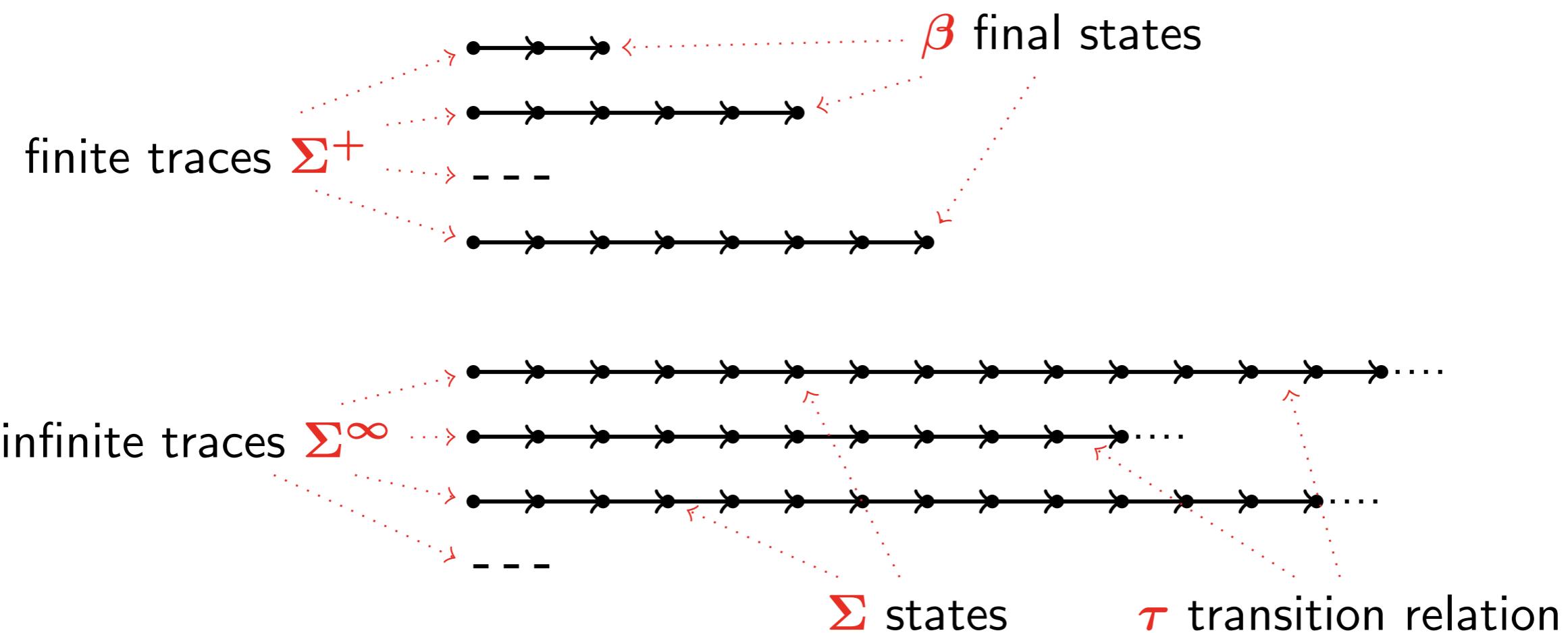
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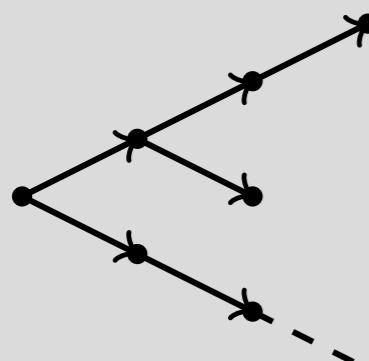
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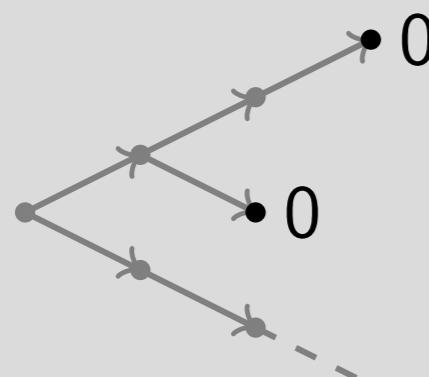
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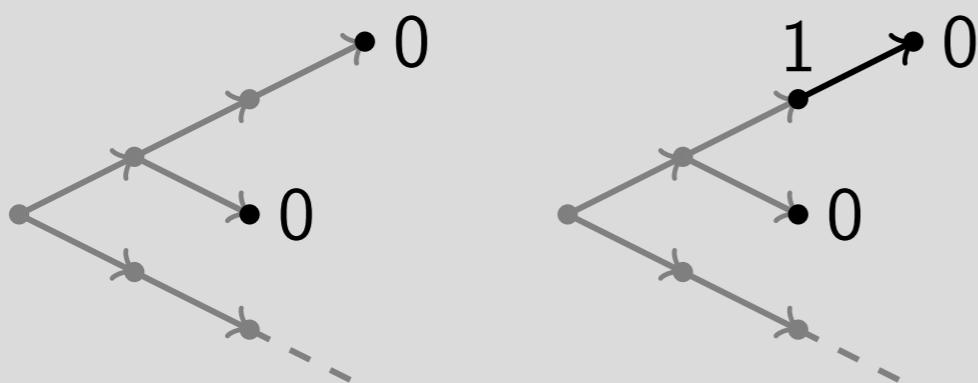
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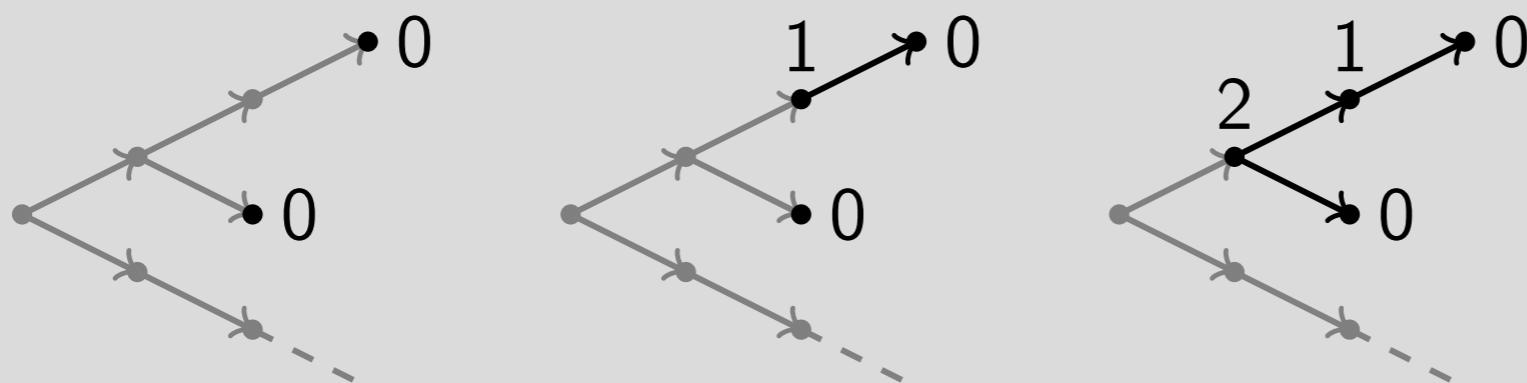
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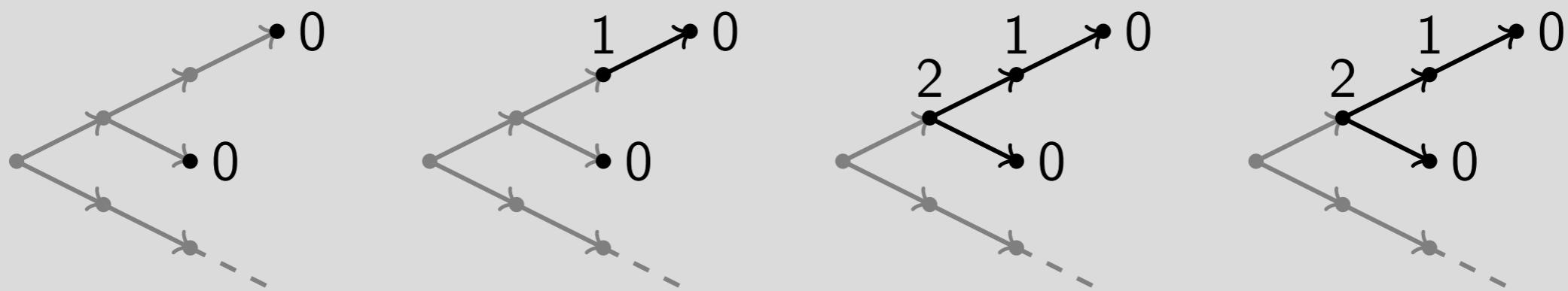
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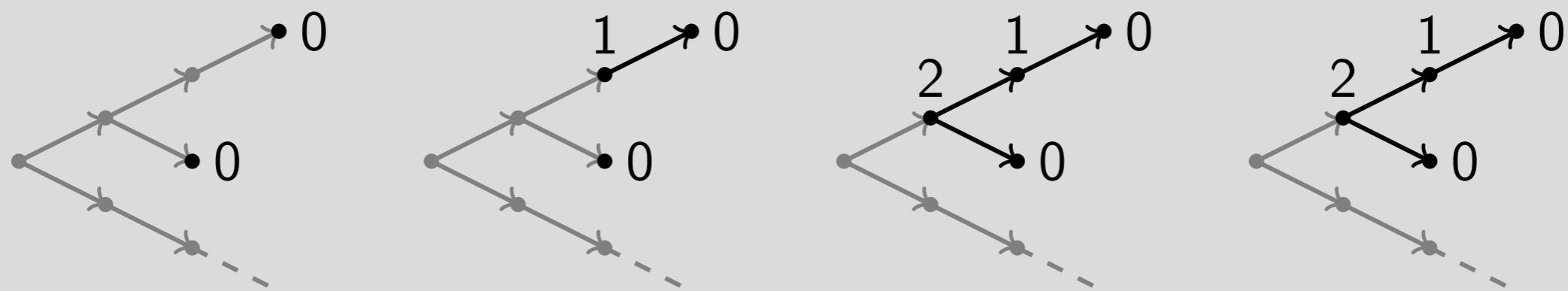
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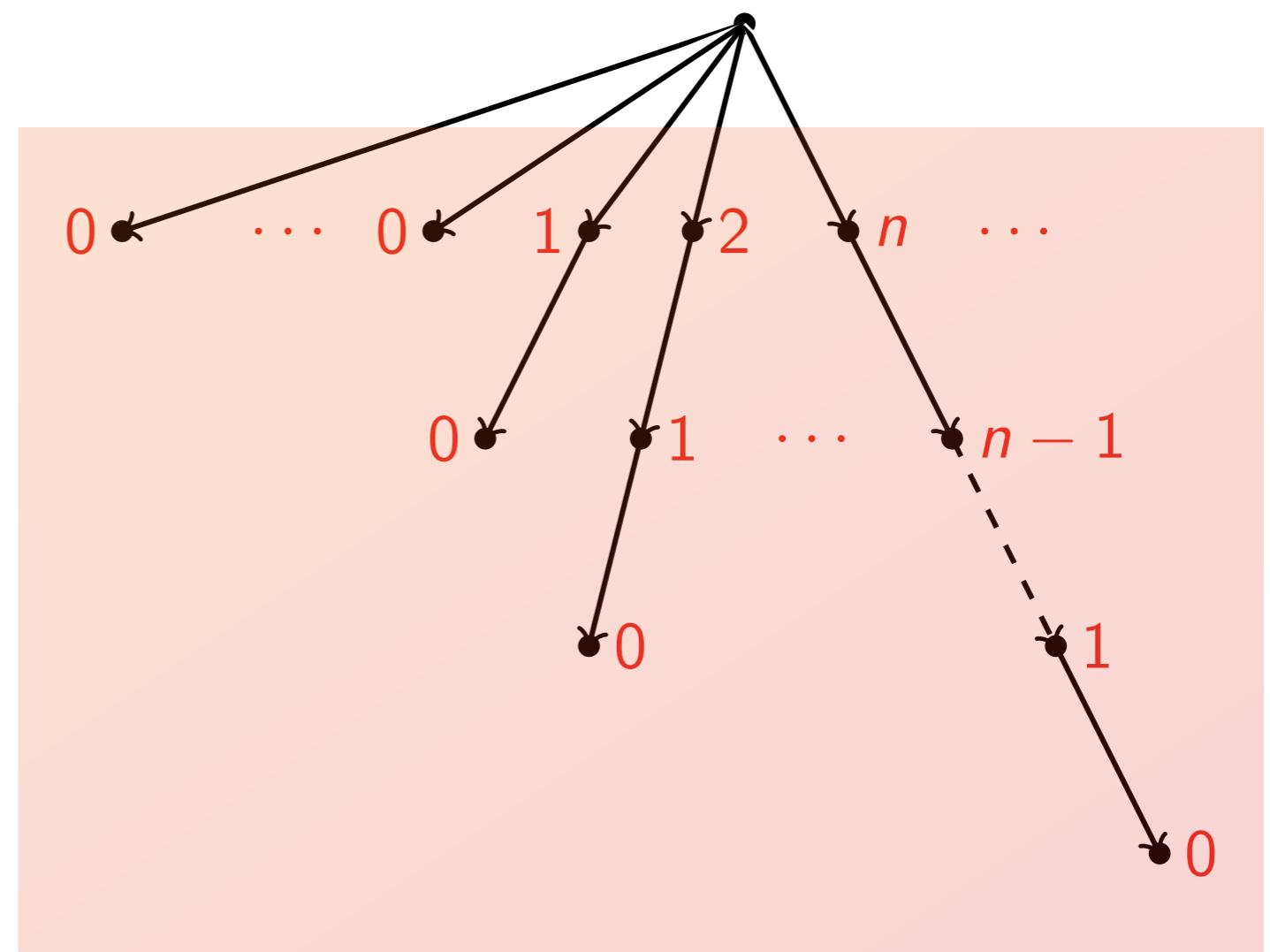
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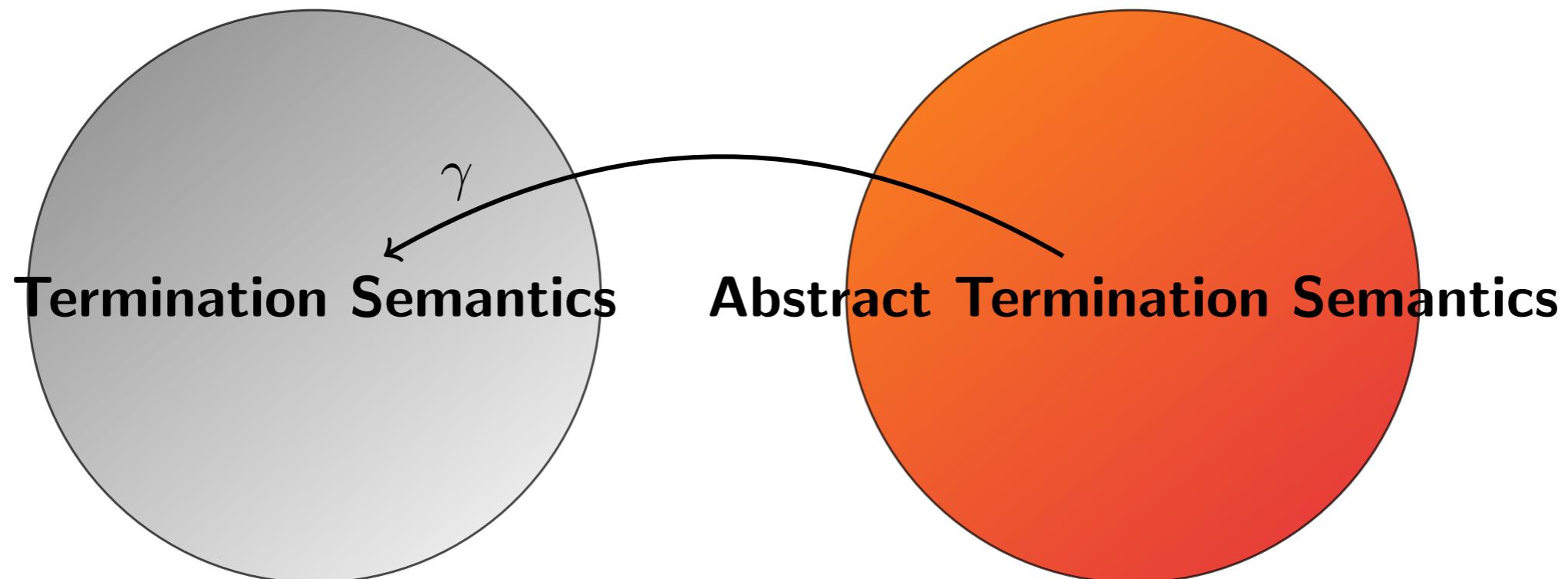
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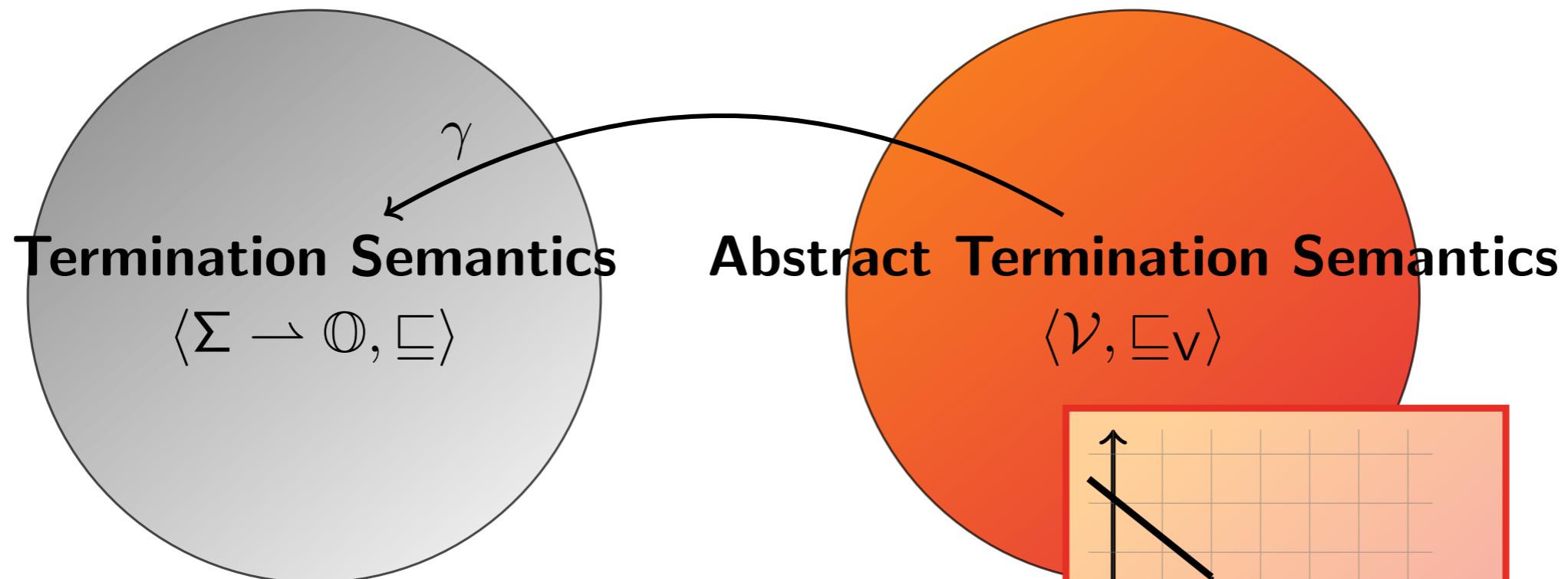
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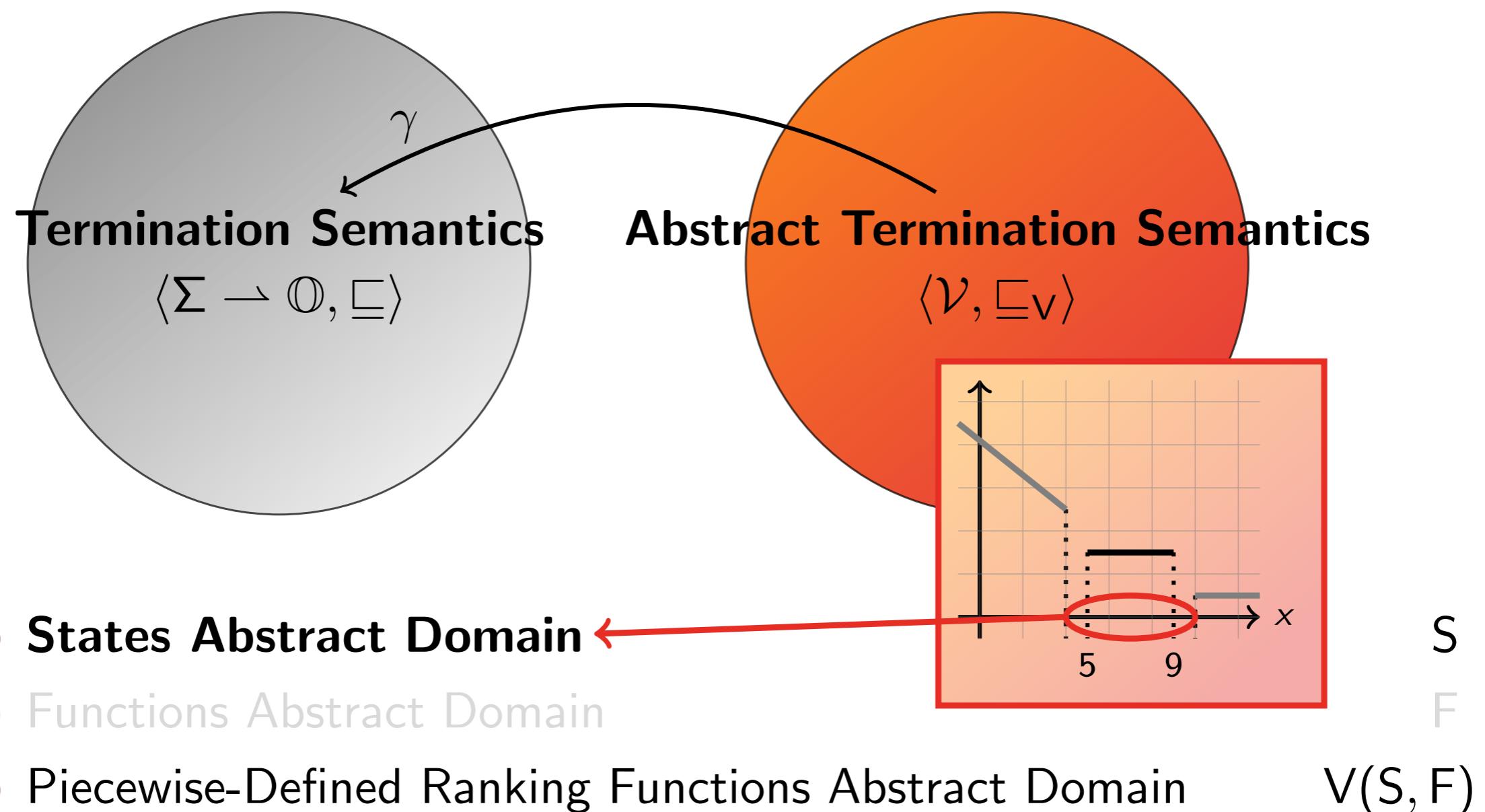
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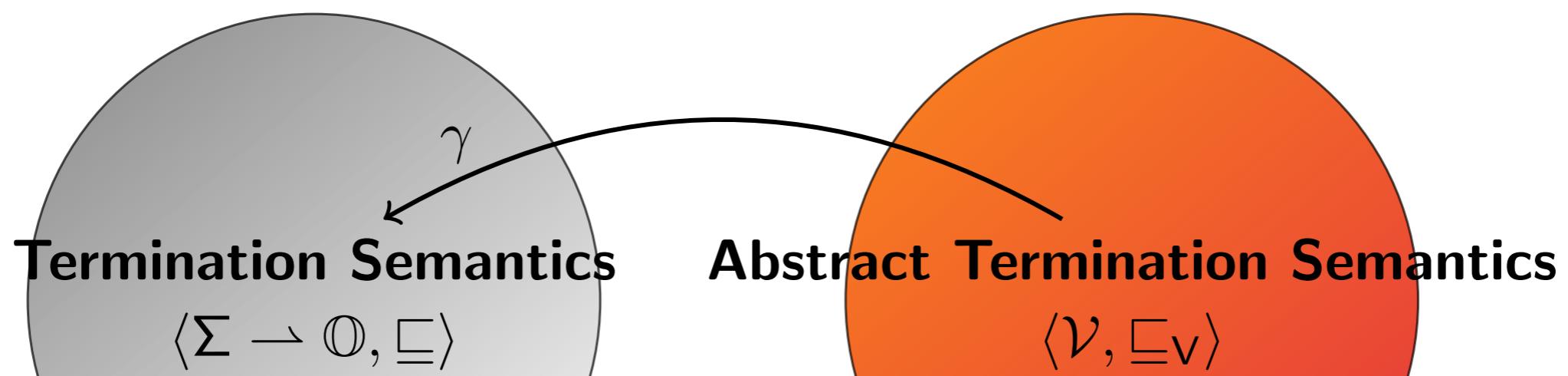


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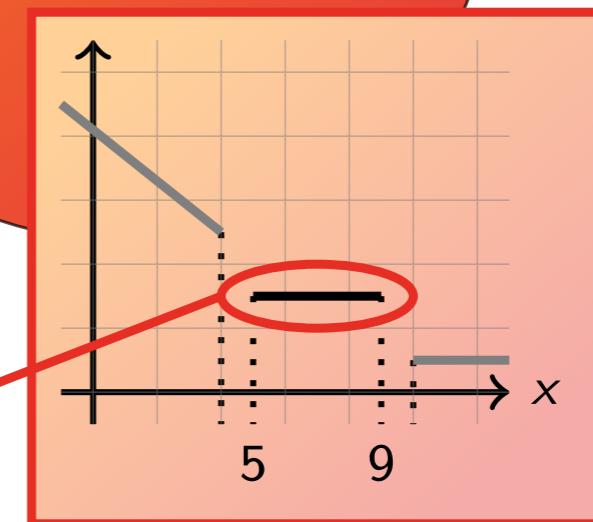


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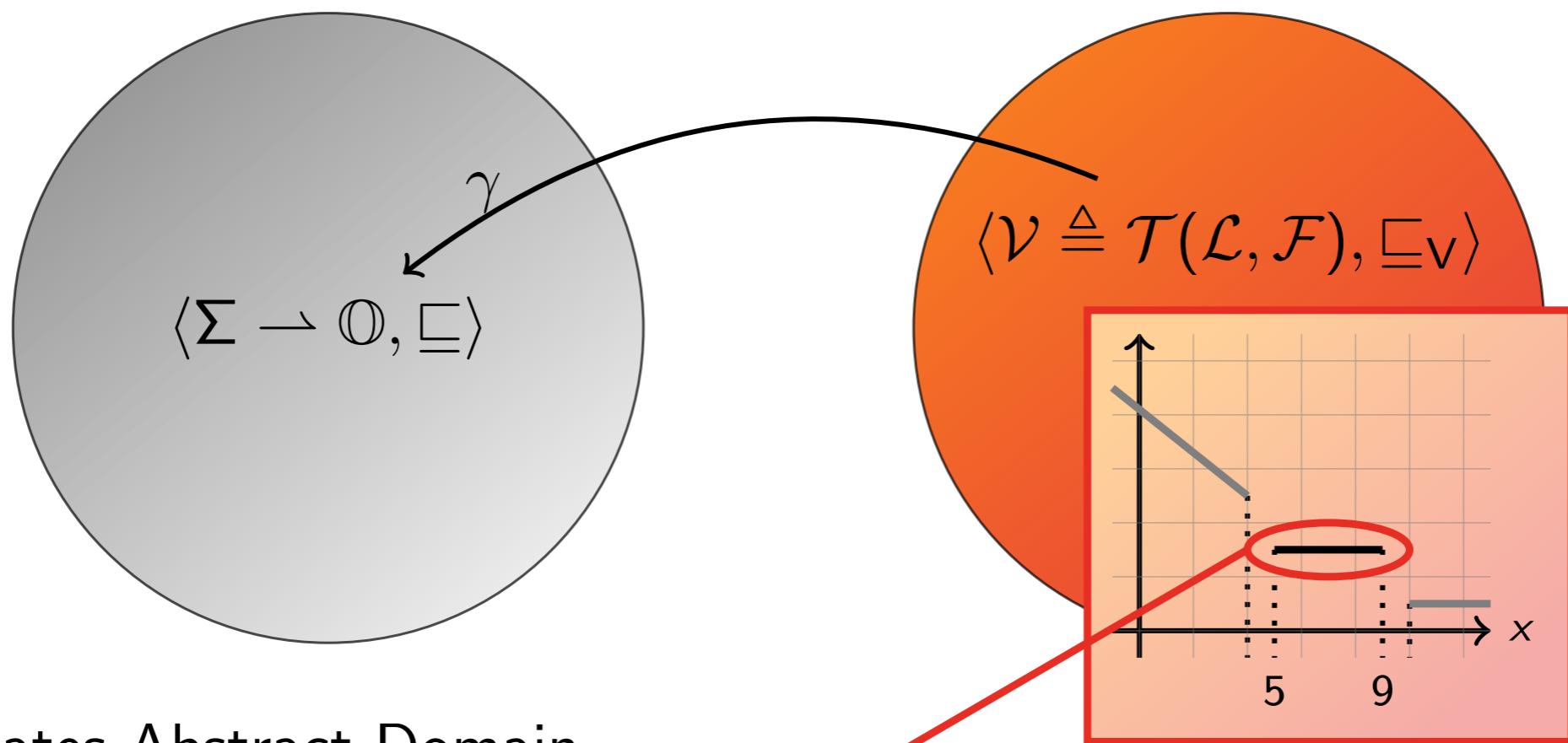




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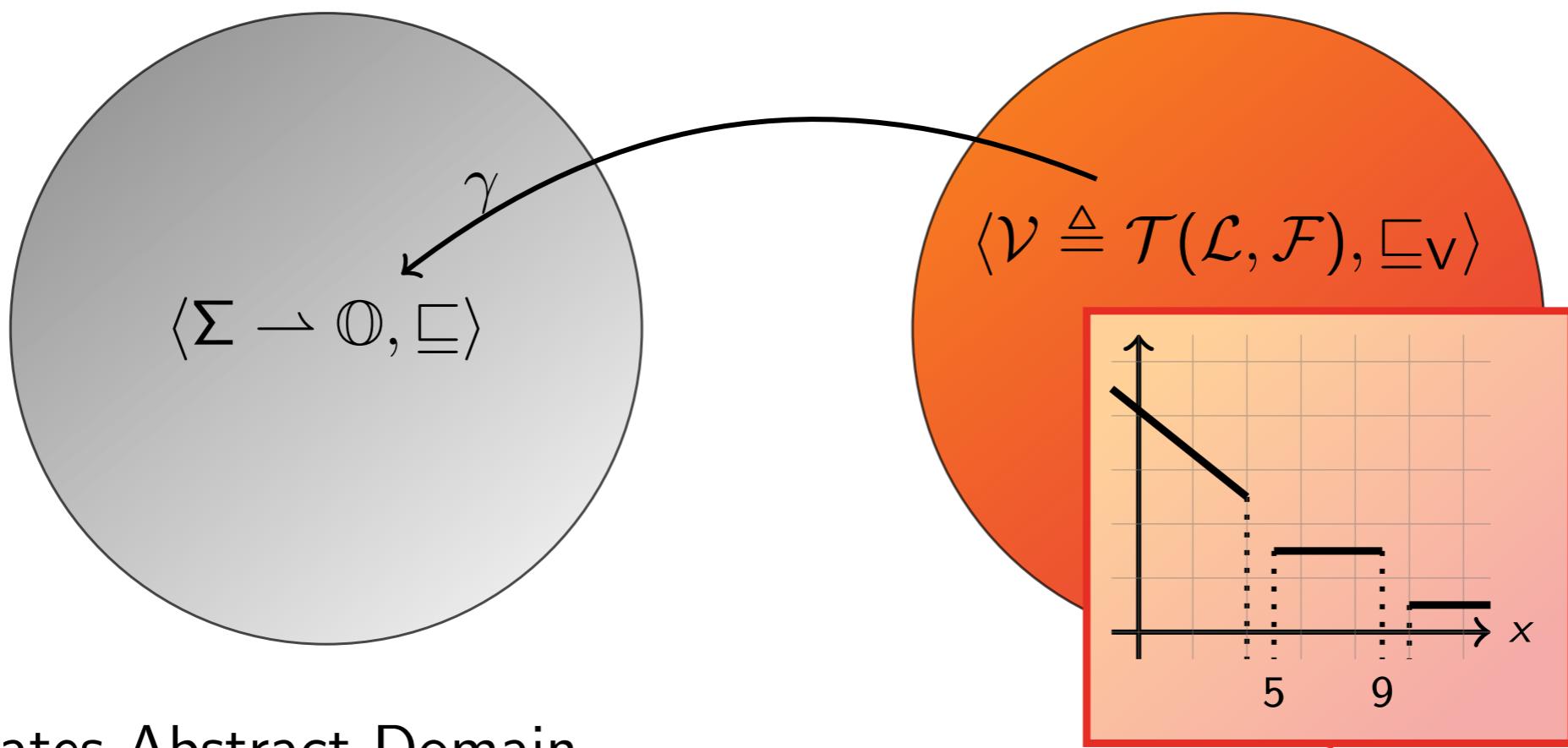


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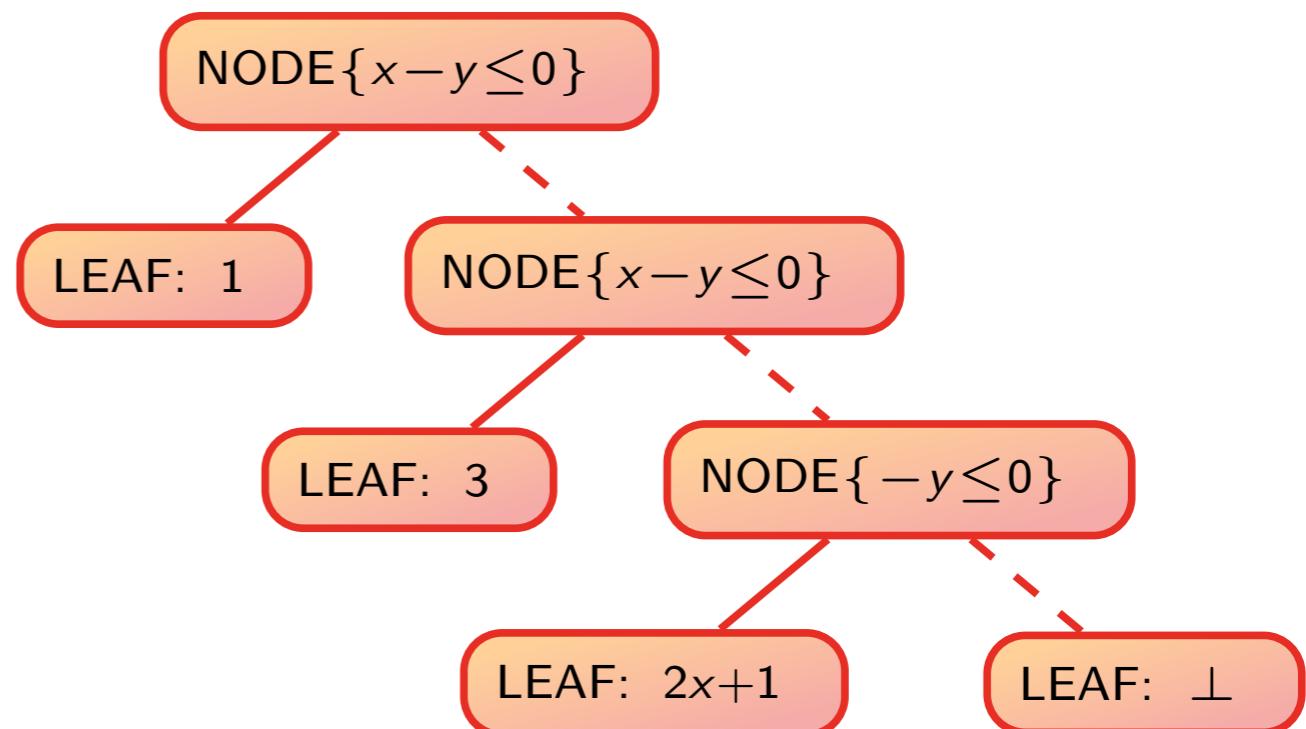
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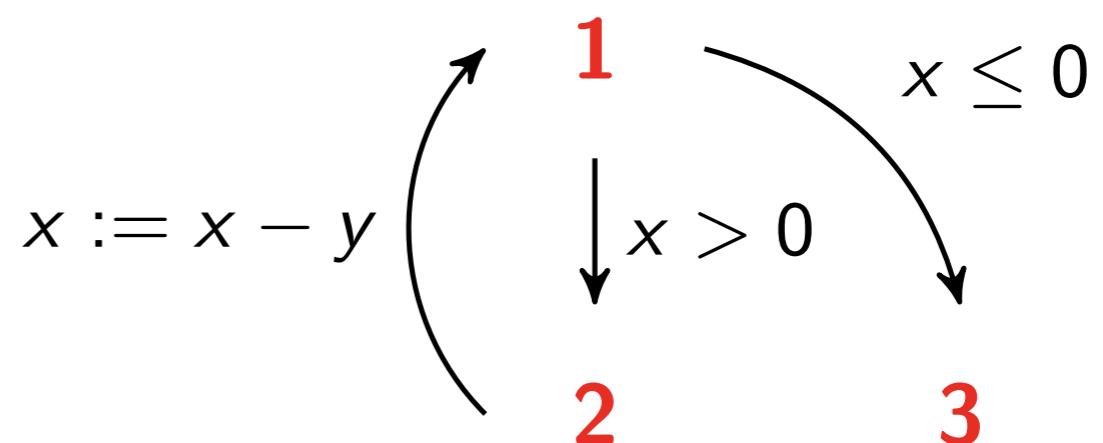
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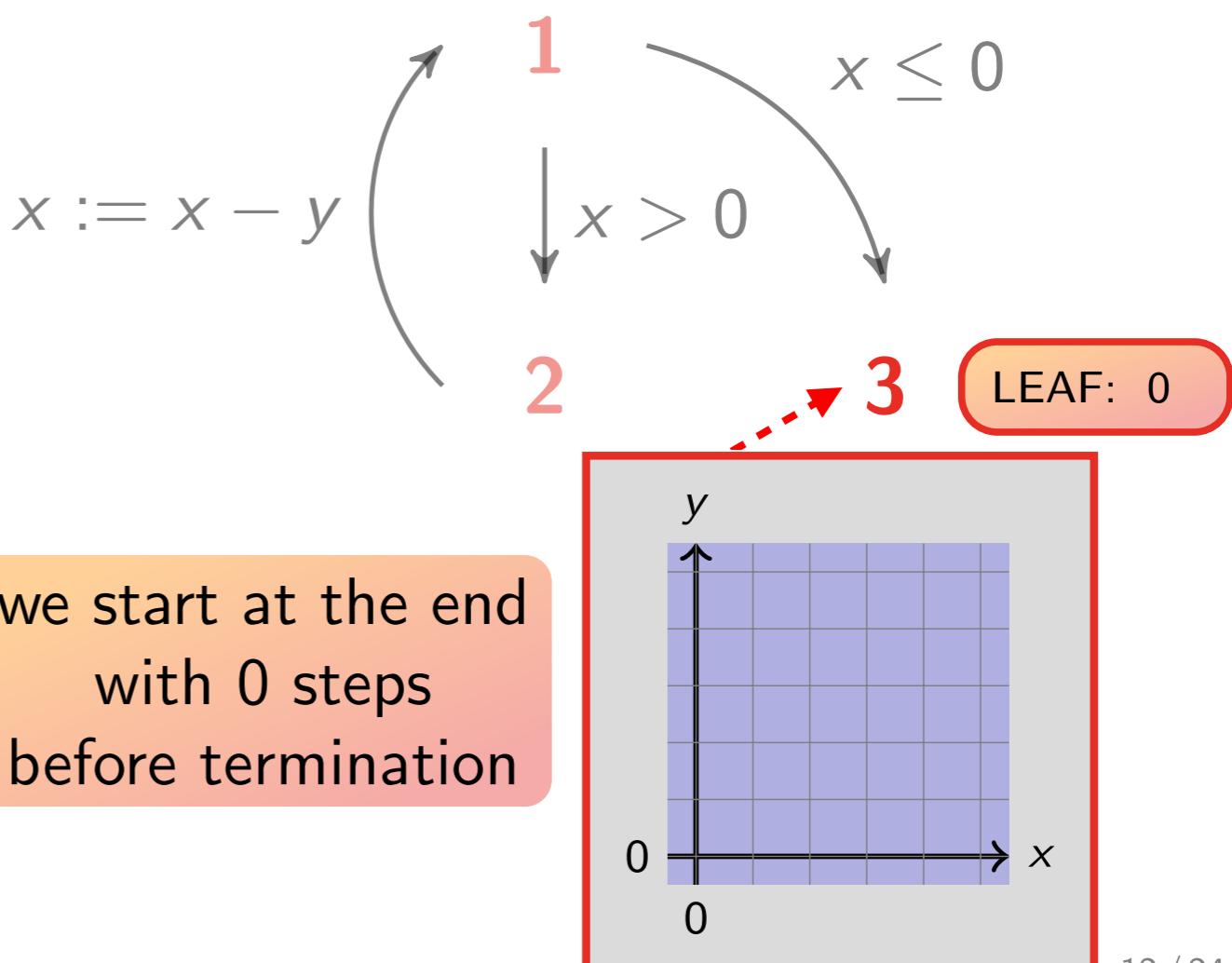
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we will map each point  
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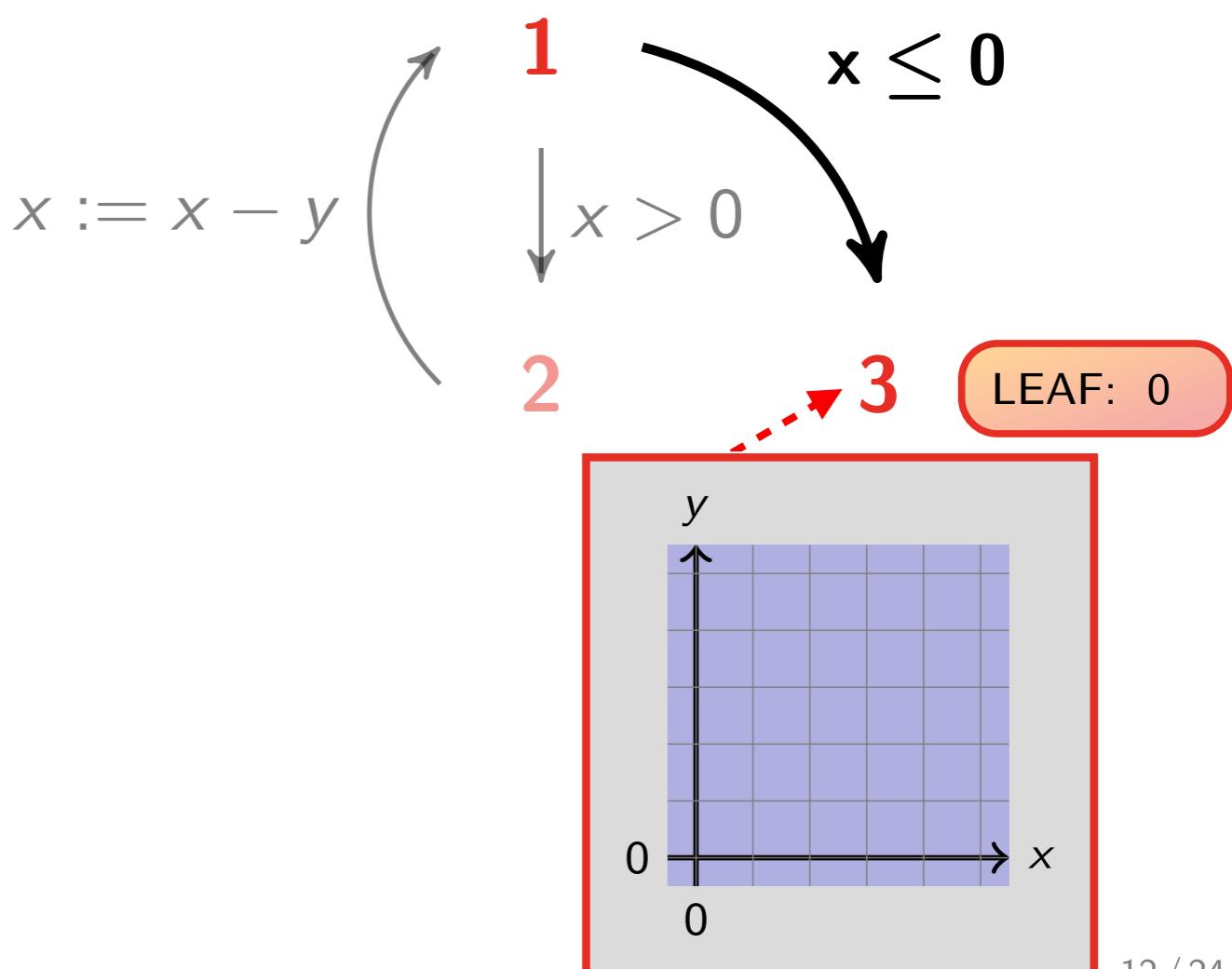
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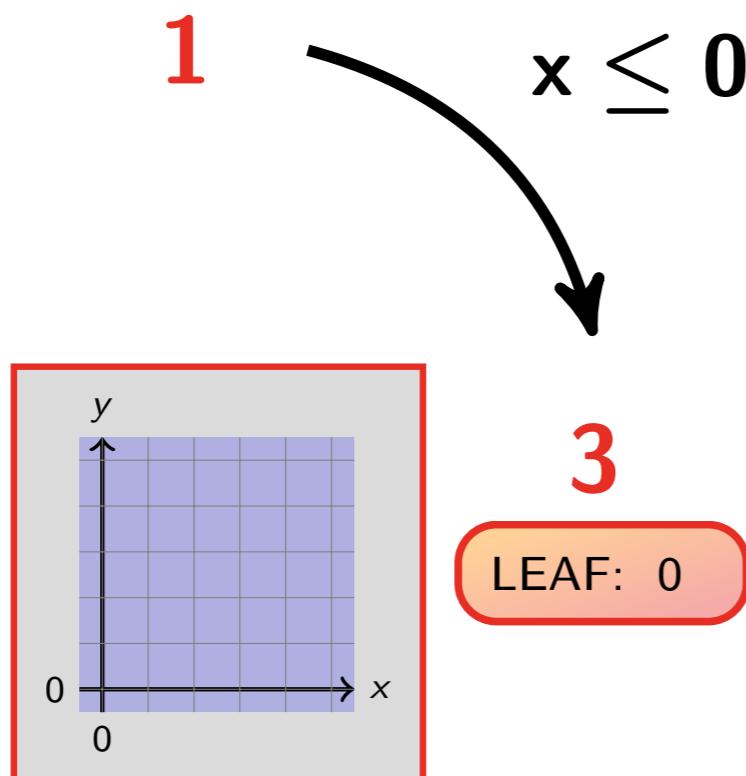
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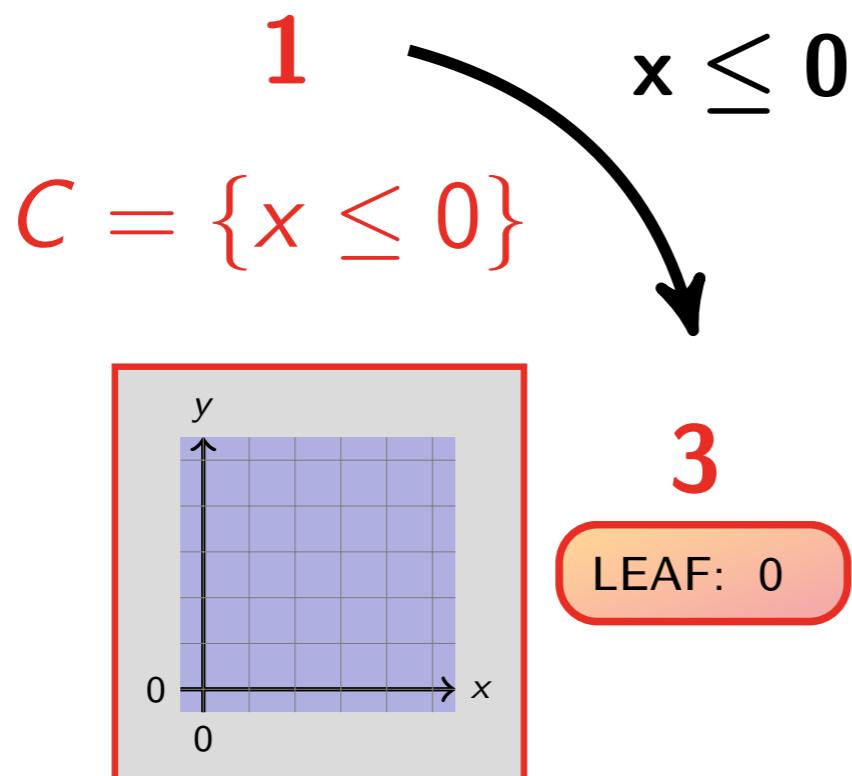
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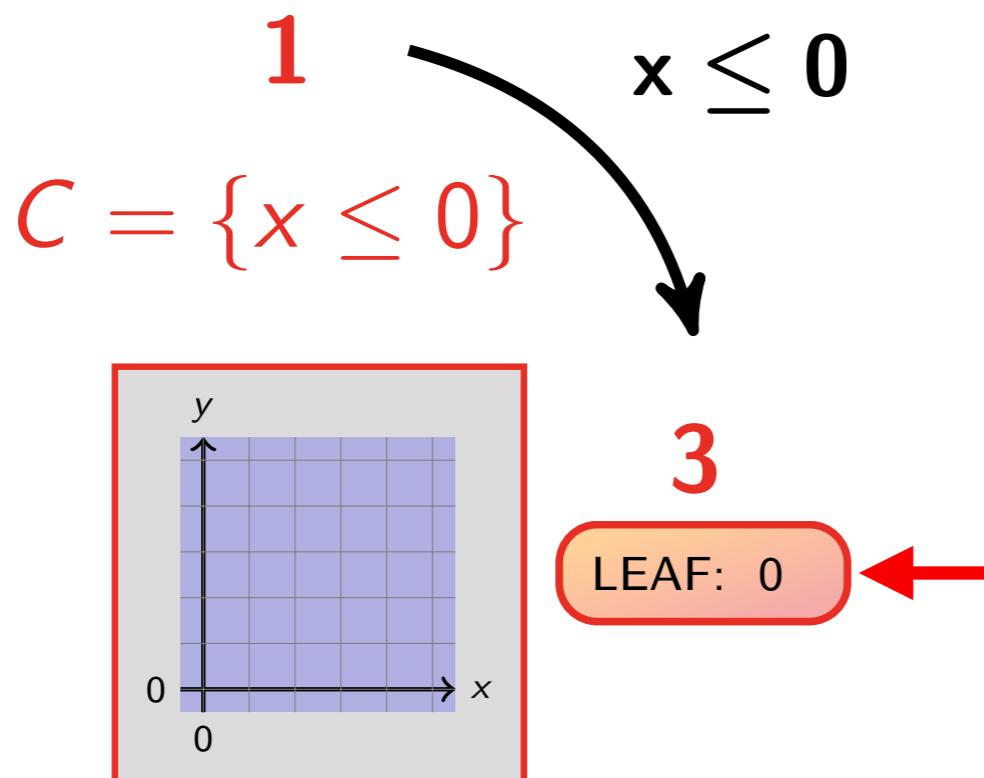
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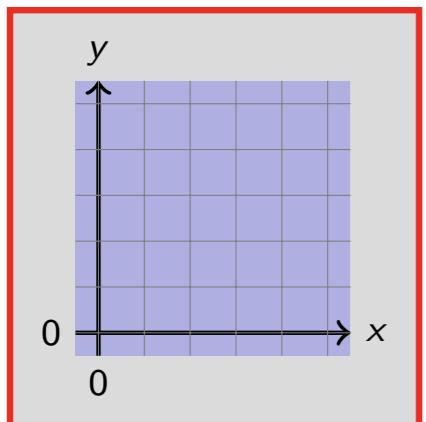
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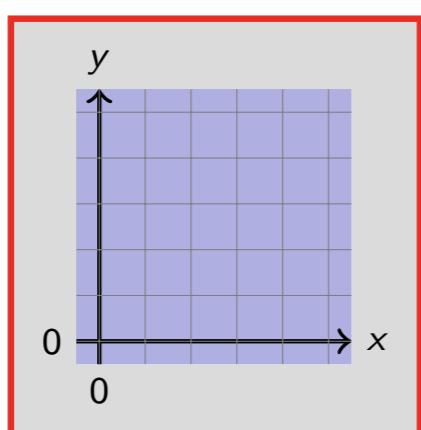
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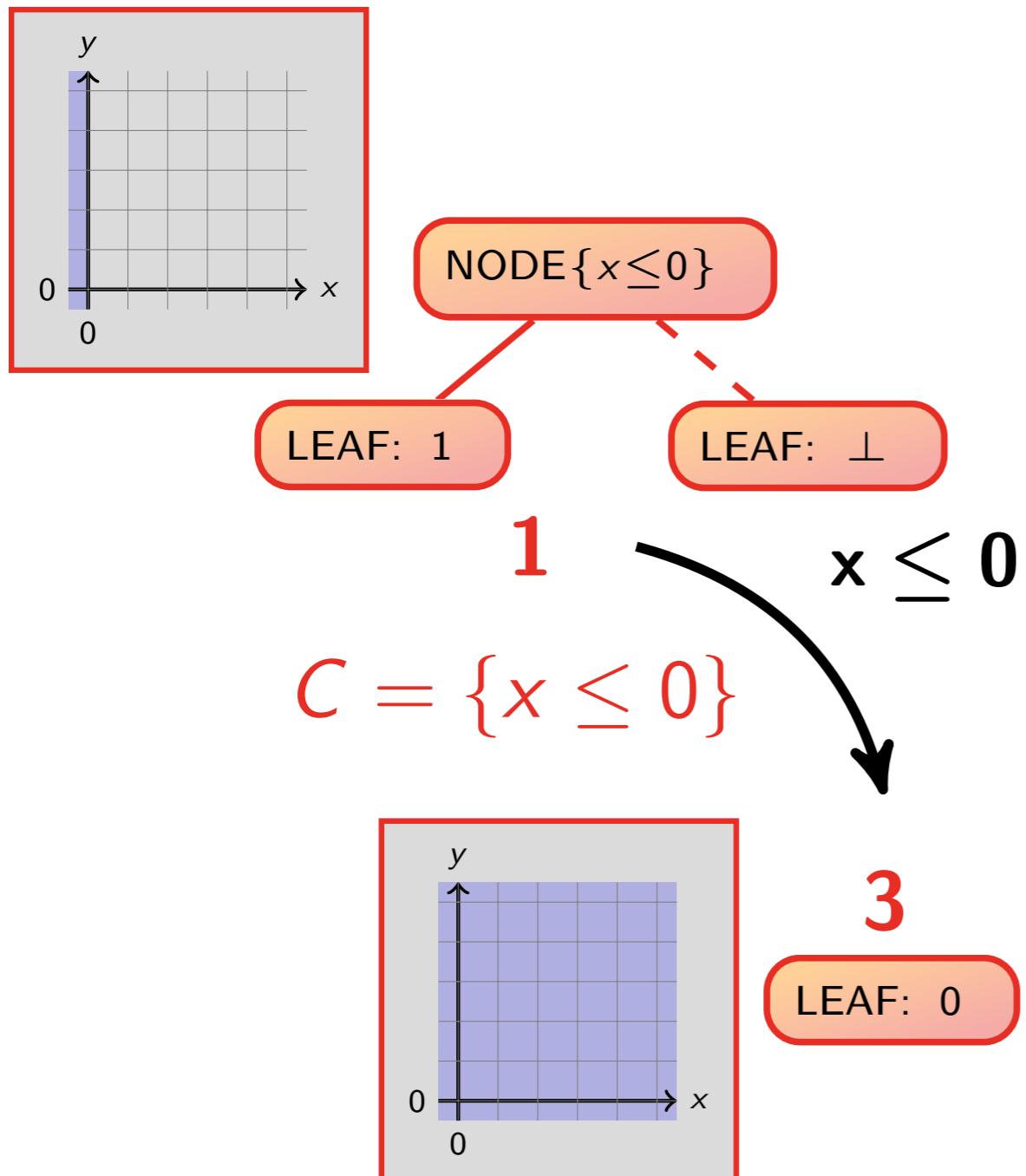
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$$C = \{x \leq 0\}$$



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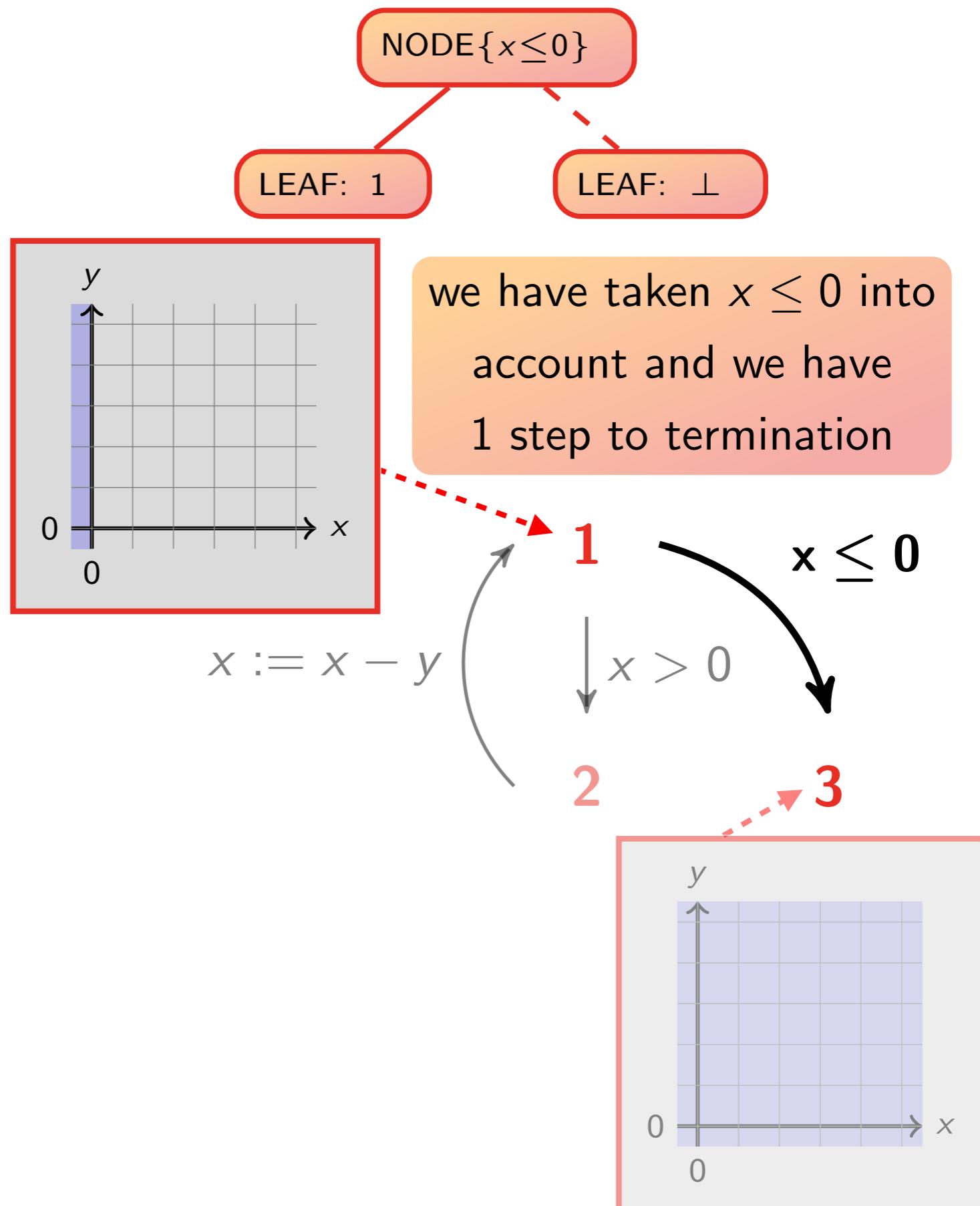
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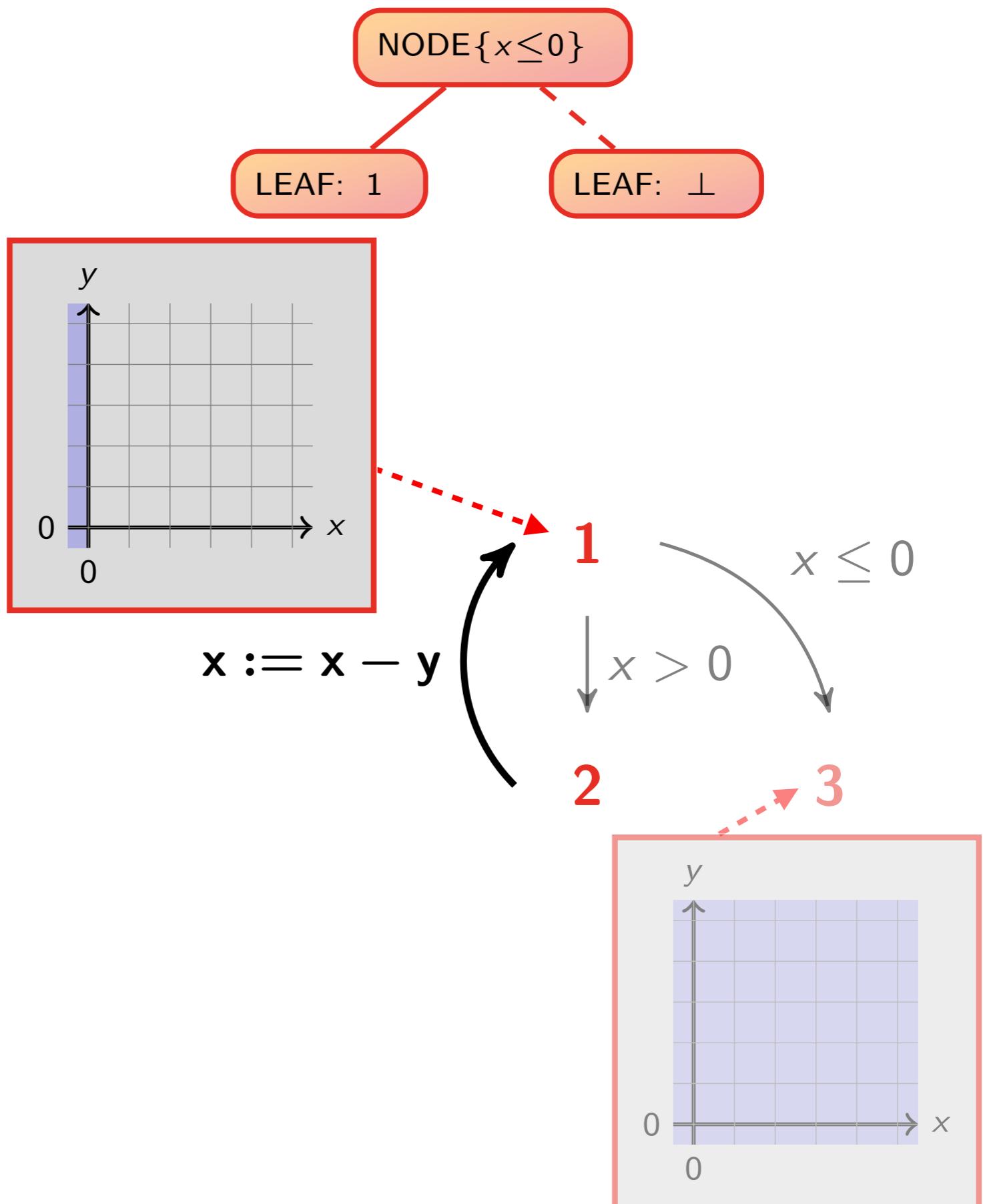
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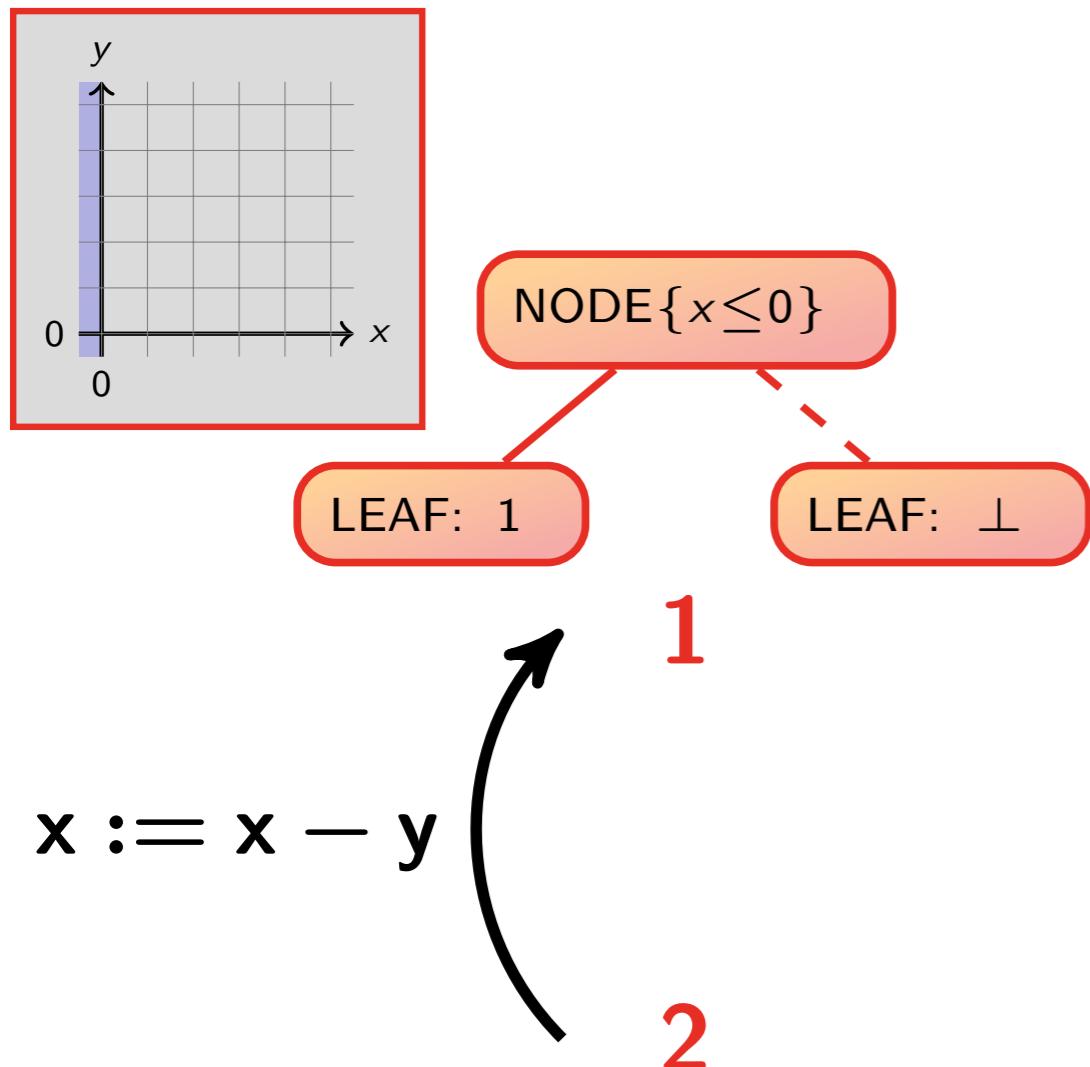


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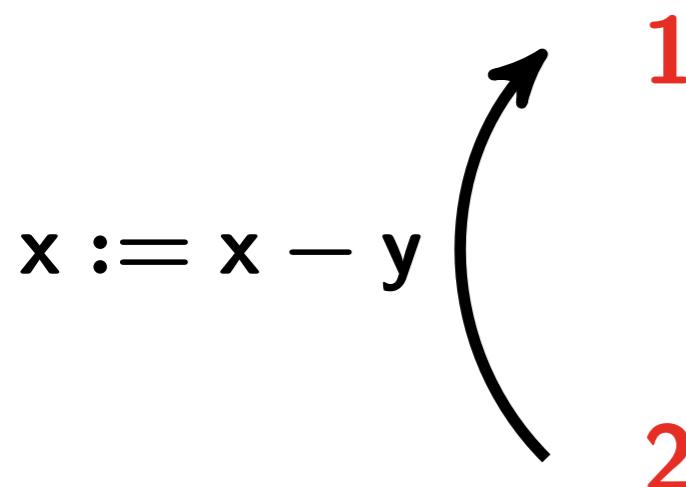
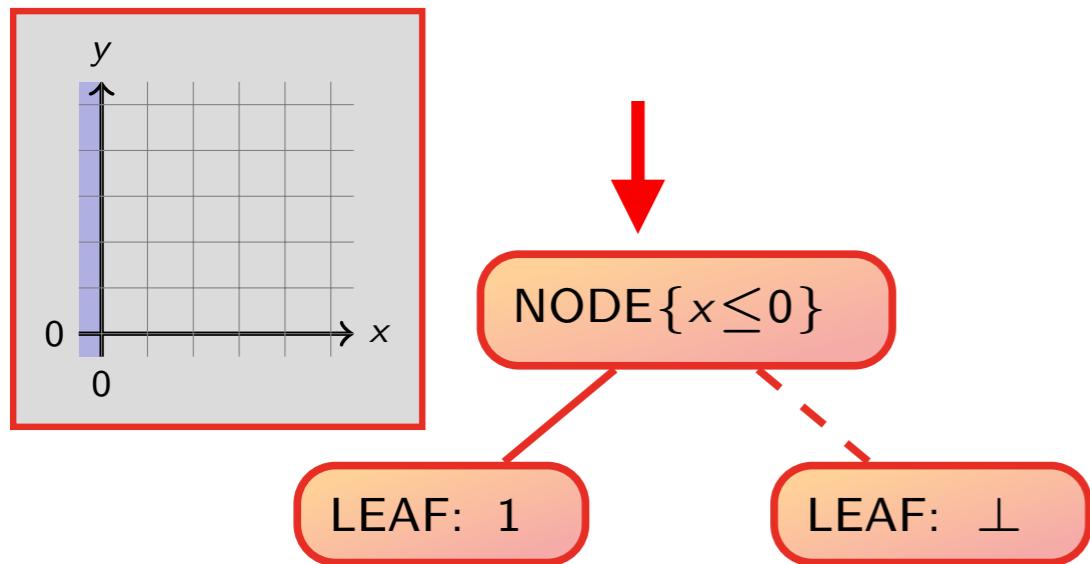
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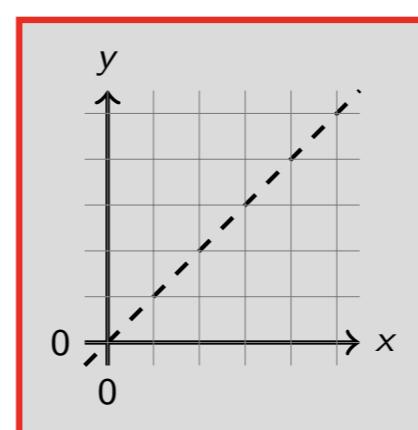
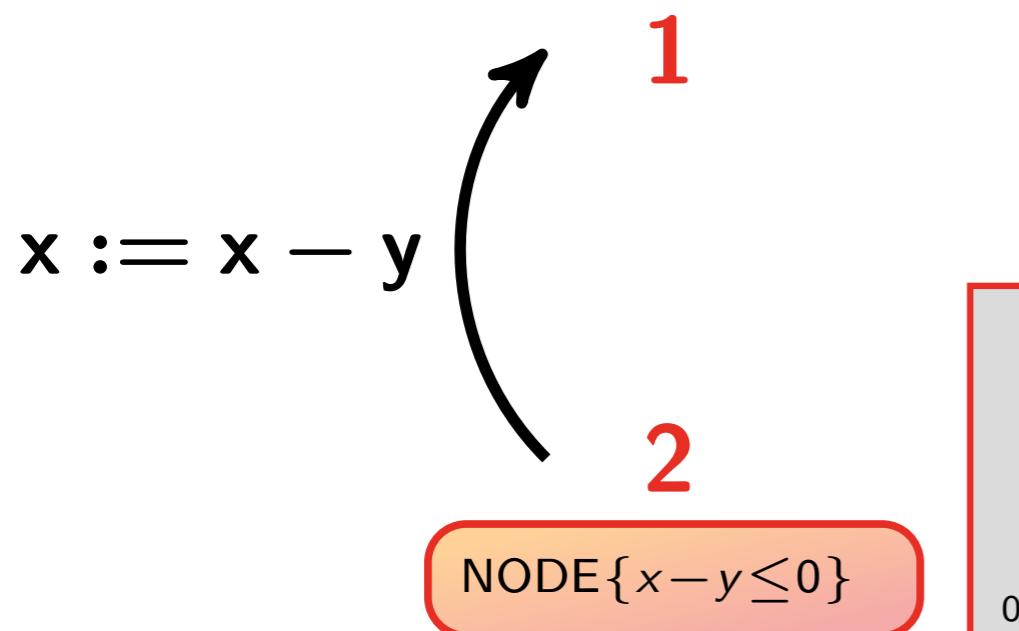
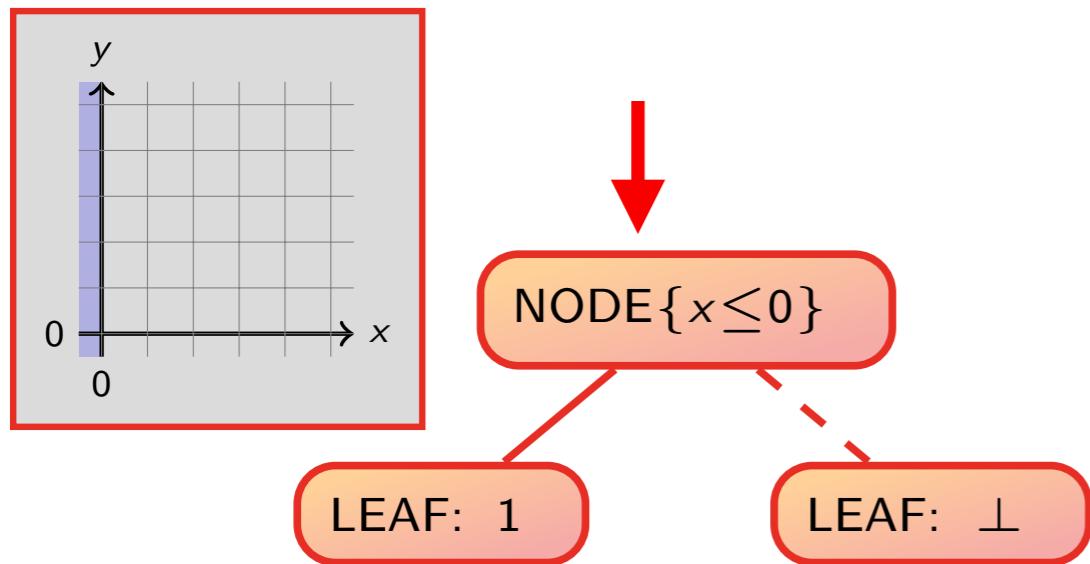
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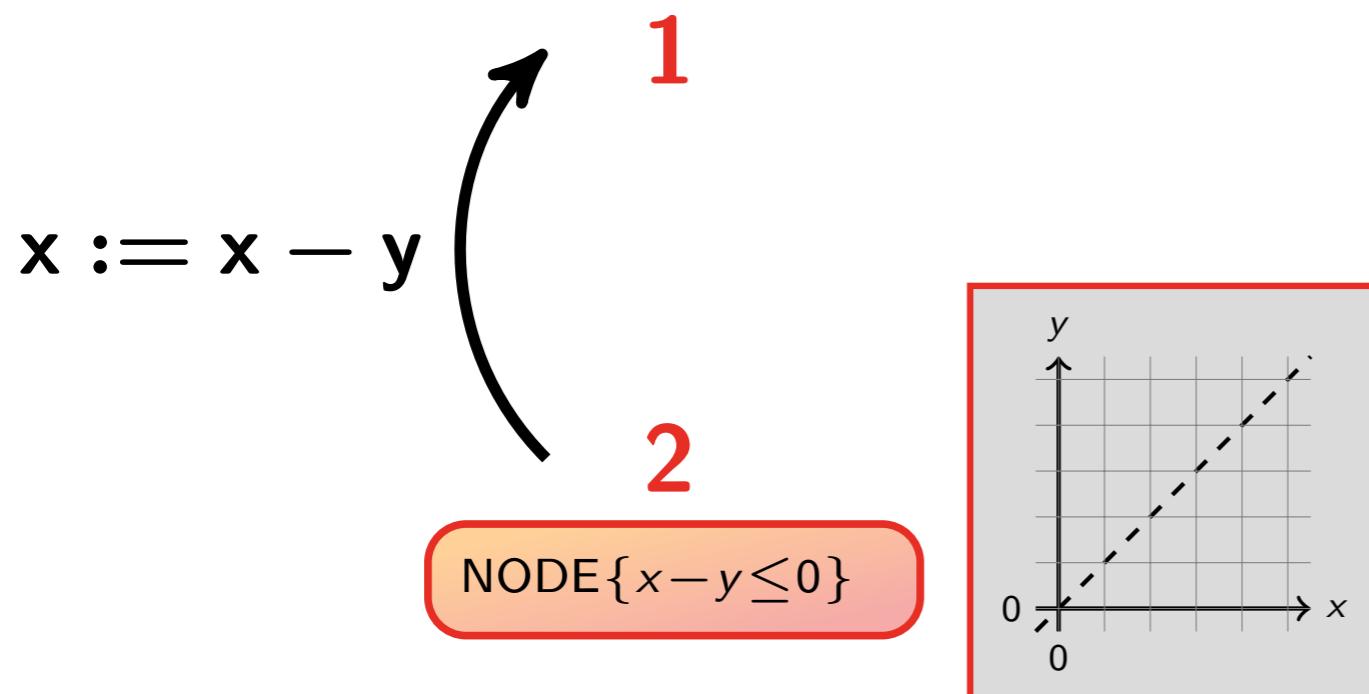
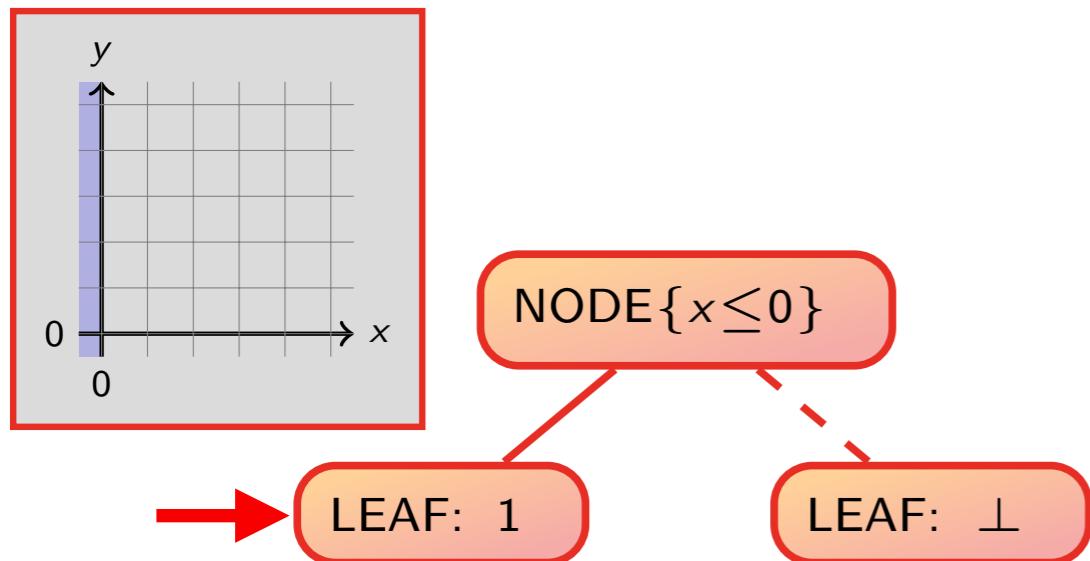
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# Assignments




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### Algorithm 3 : Tree Assign

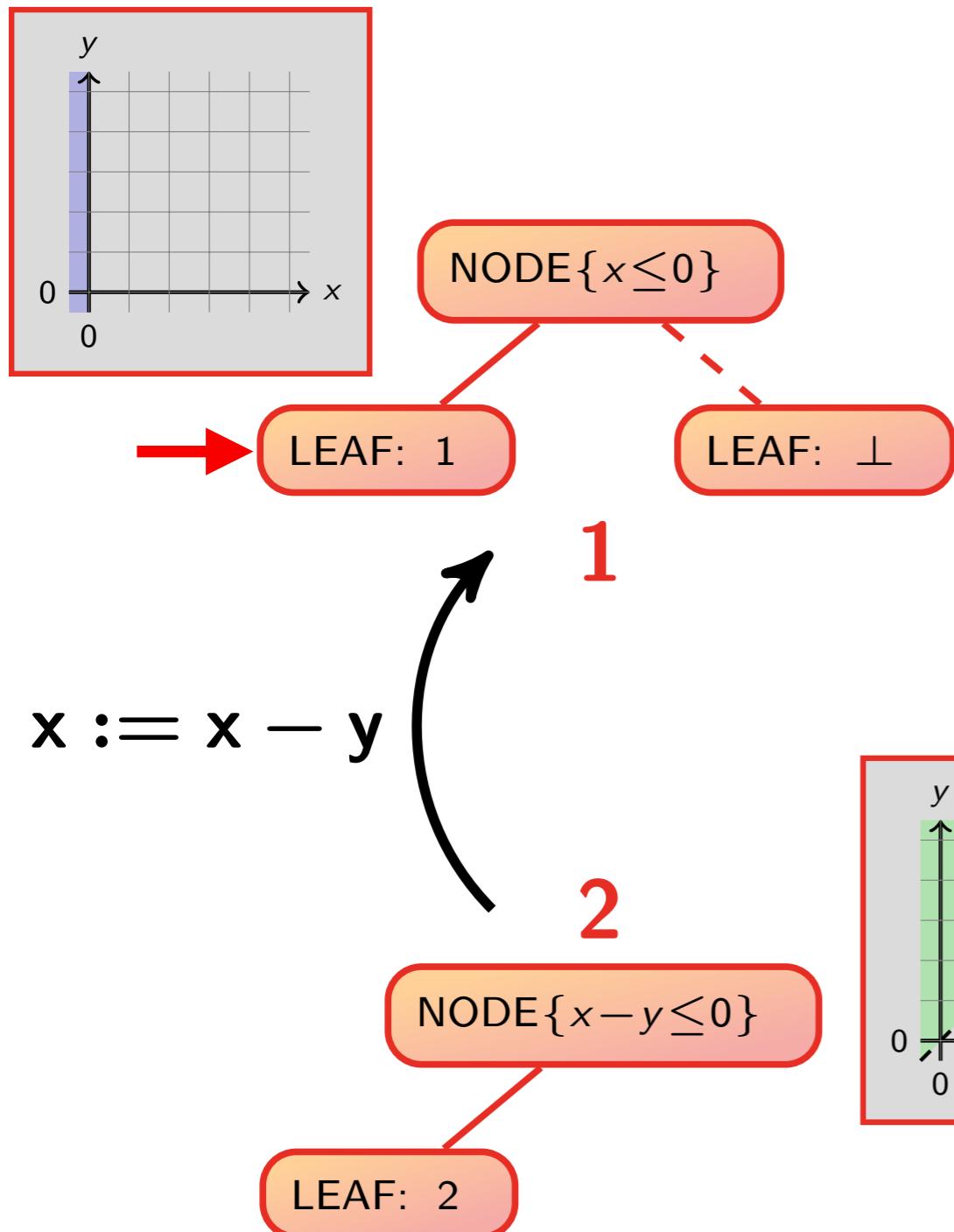
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# Assignments




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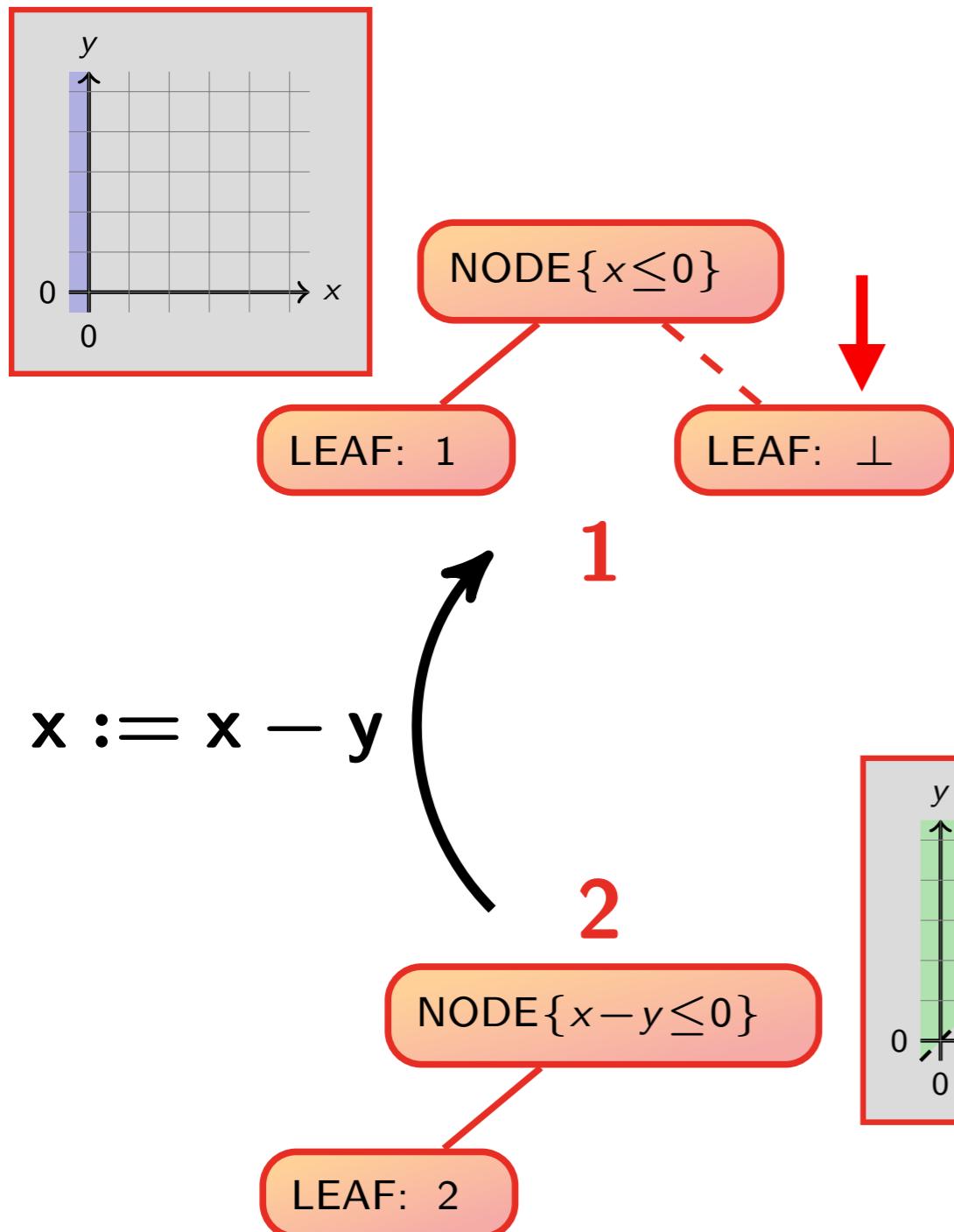
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# Assignments




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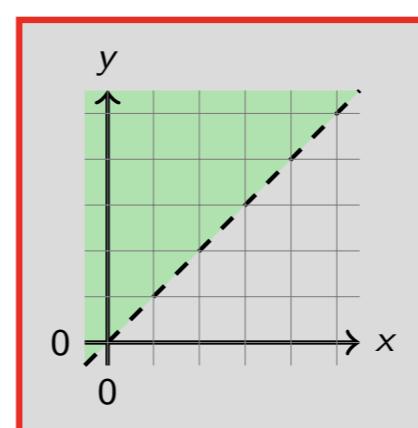
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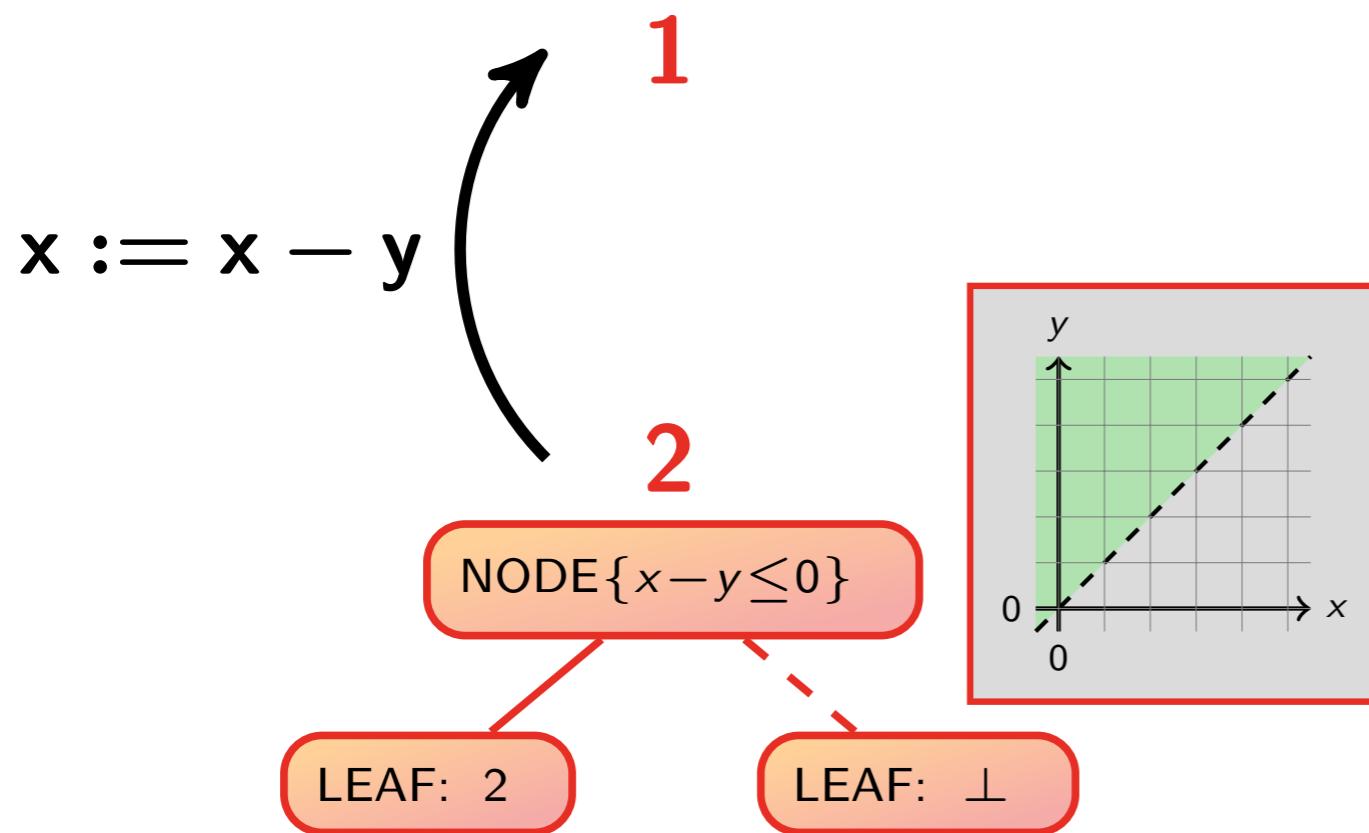
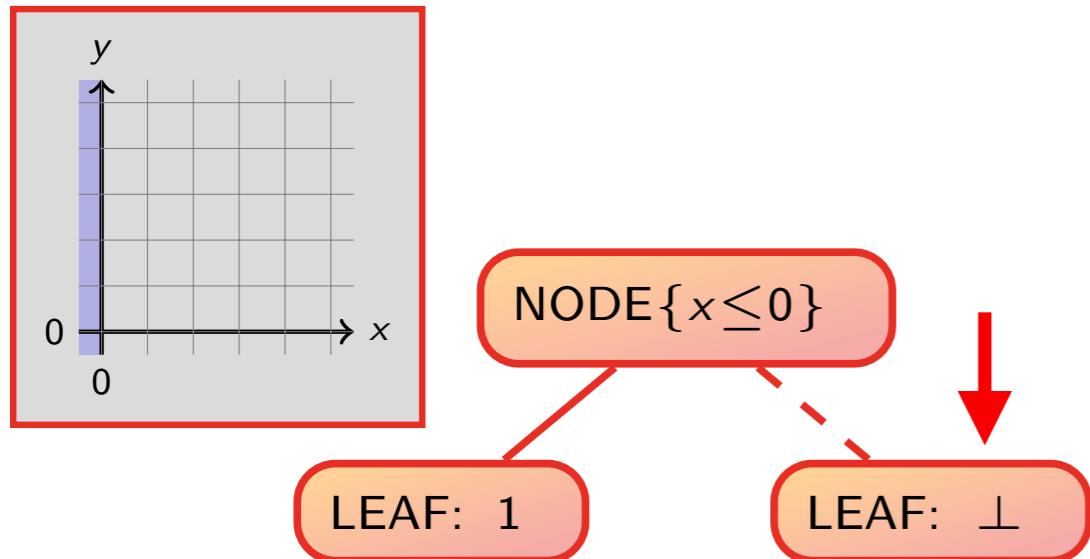
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# Assignments




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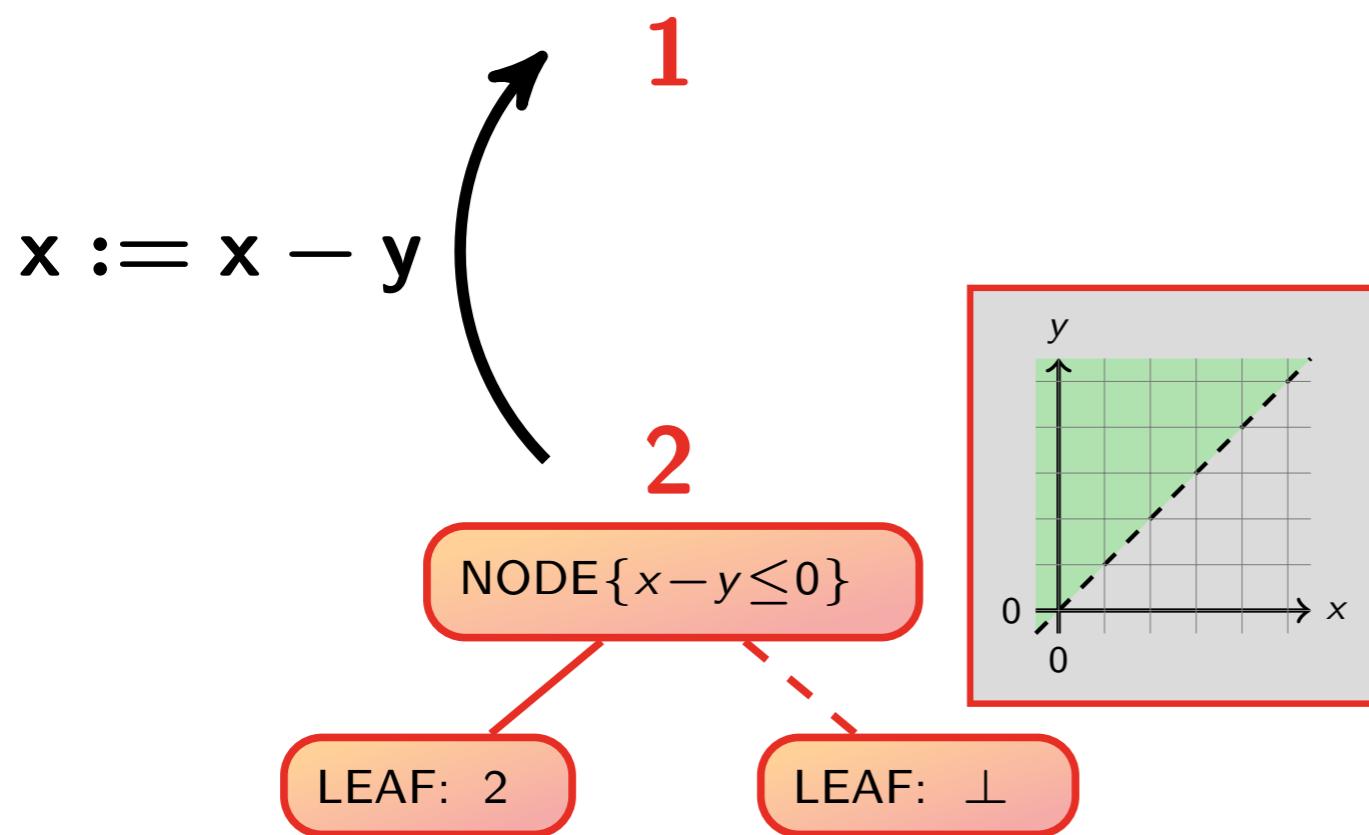
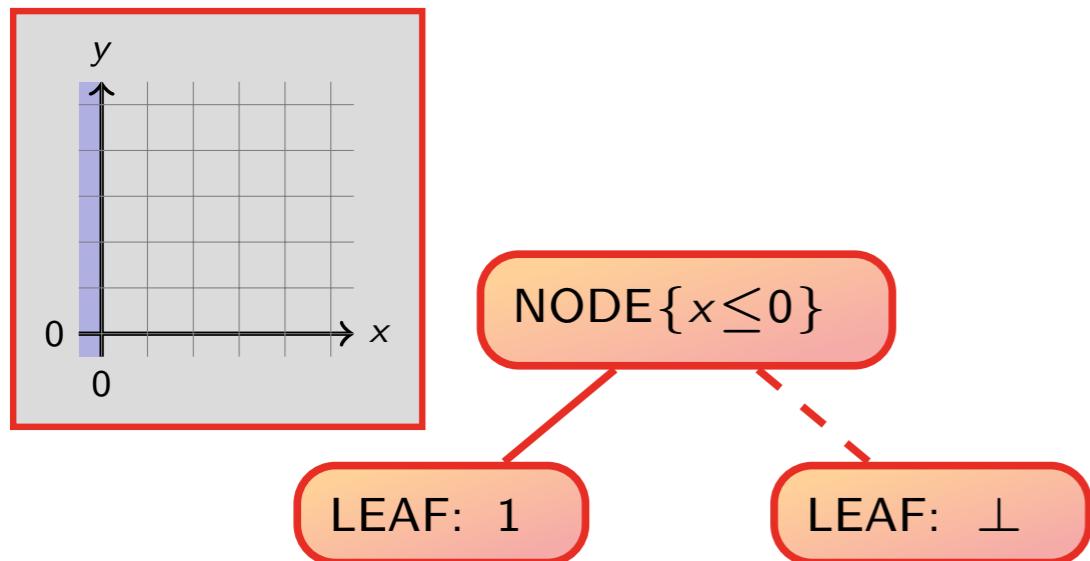
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# Assignments




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### Algorithm 3 : Tree Assign

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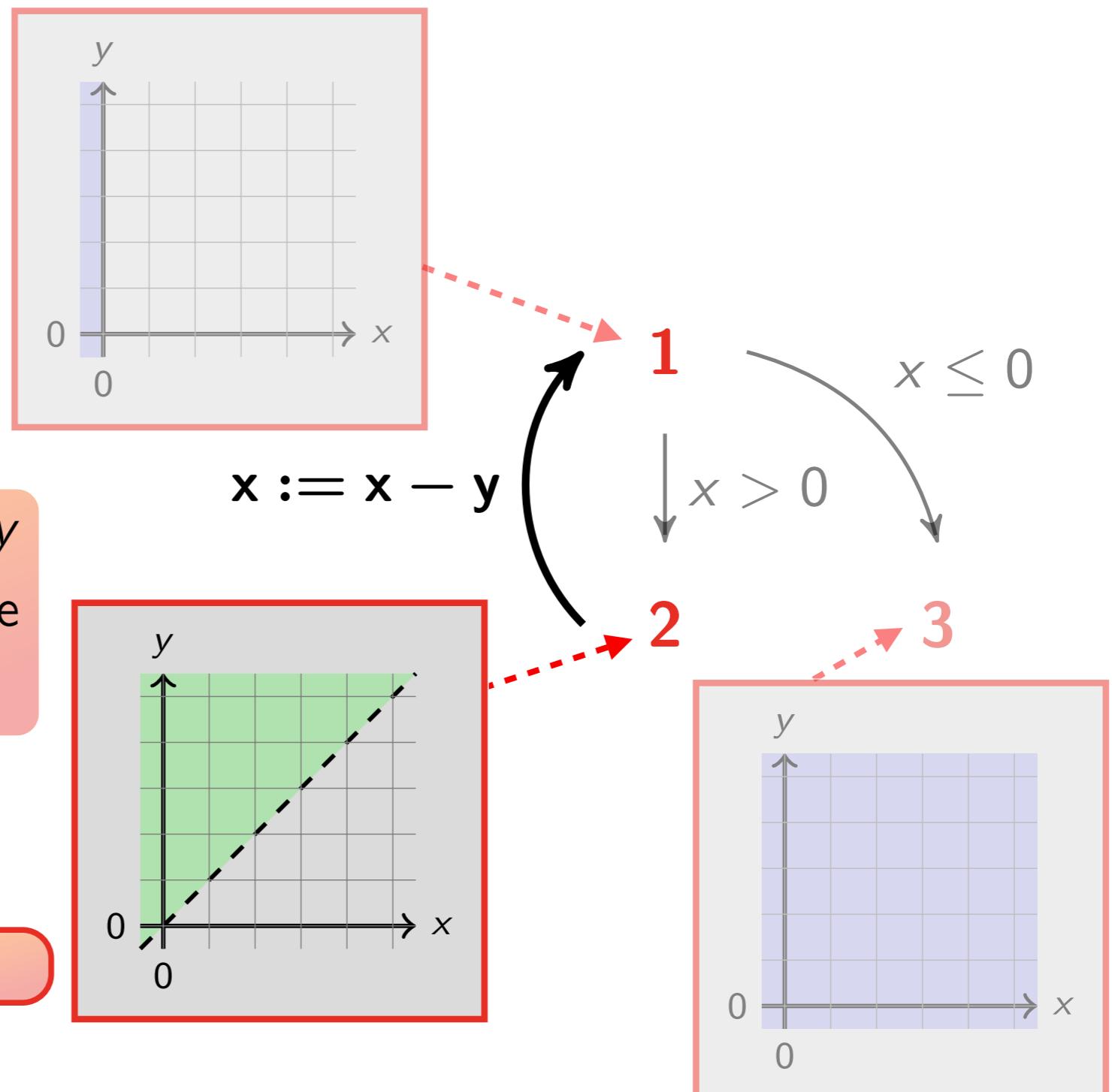
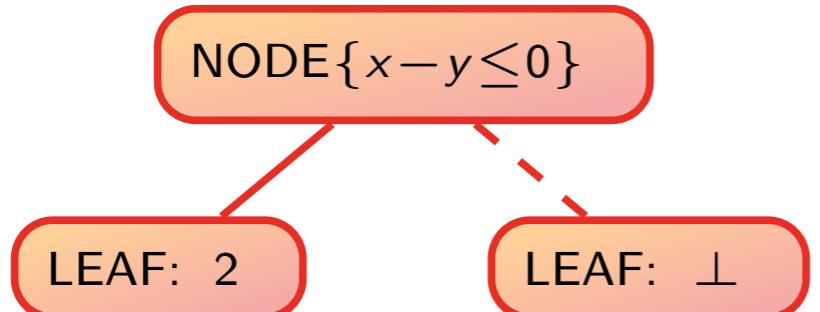
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5:     if ISEMPTY( $C$ ) then return ASSIGN( $t.l, x := a$ )  $\sqcup_T$  ASSIGN( $t.r, x := a$ )
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## Example

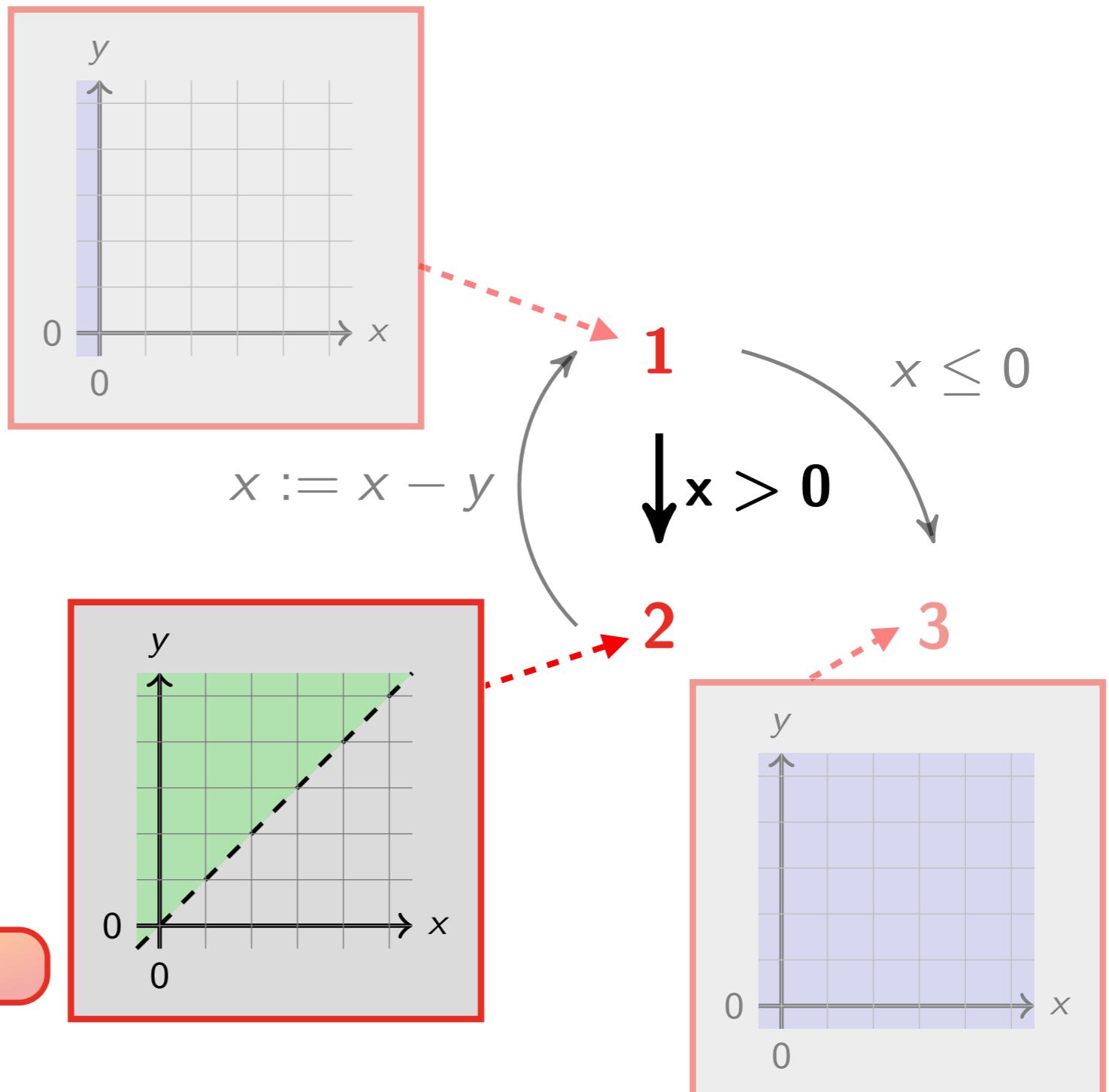
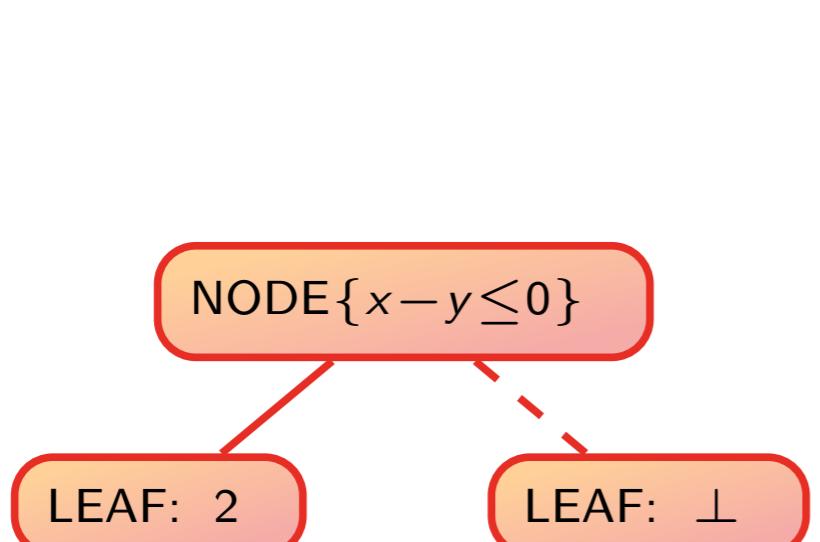
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int : x, y
while 1(x > 0) do
    2x := x - y
od3
```

we have taken  $x := x - y$   
into account and we have  
2 steps to termination



## Example

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# Tests

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## Algorithm 4 : Tree Filter

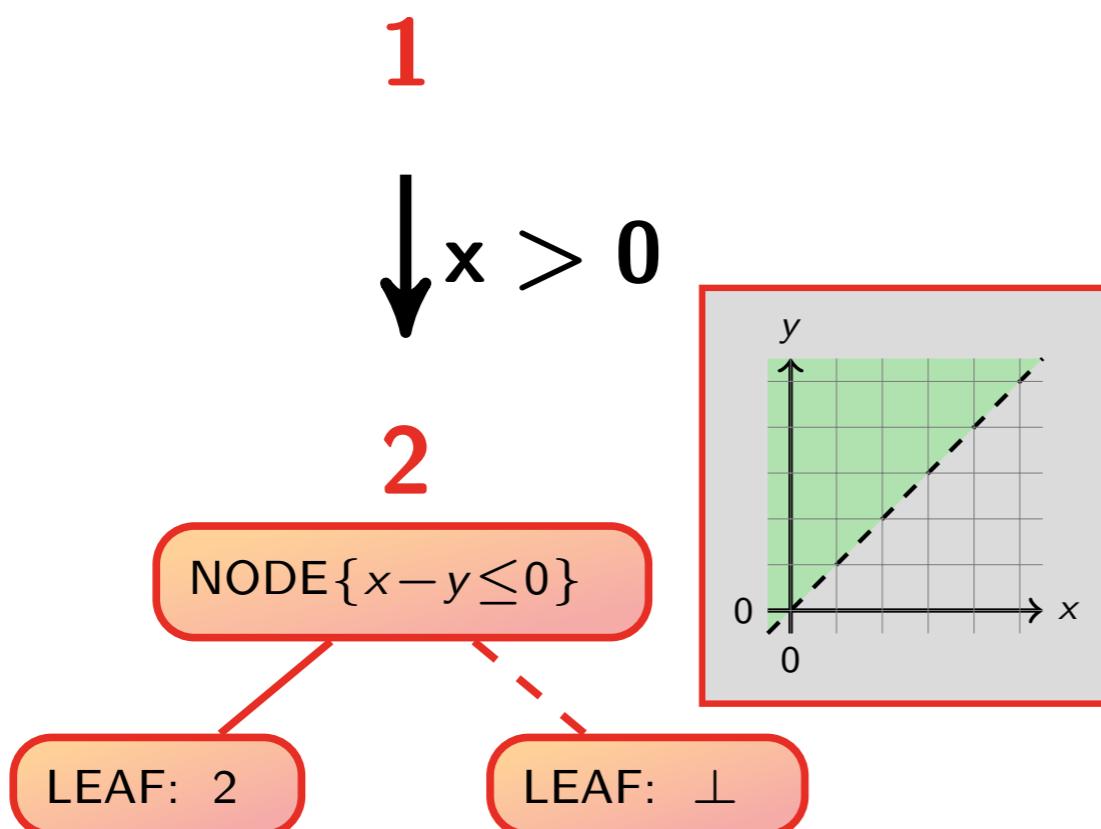
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1: function FILTER-AUX( $t, c$ )
2:   if ISLEAF( $t$ ) then return LEAF : FILTERF( $f, c$ )           /*  $t \triangleq \text{LEAF} : f$  */
3:   else return NODE{ $t.c$ } : FILTER-AUX( $t.l, c$ ); FILTER-AUX( $t.r, c$ )
4: function FILTER( $t, c$ )
5:    $C \leftarrow \text{FILTER}_L(c)$ 
6:   return AUGMENT(FILTER-AUX( $t, c$ ),  $C$ )

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# Tests

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## Algorithm 4 : Tree Filter

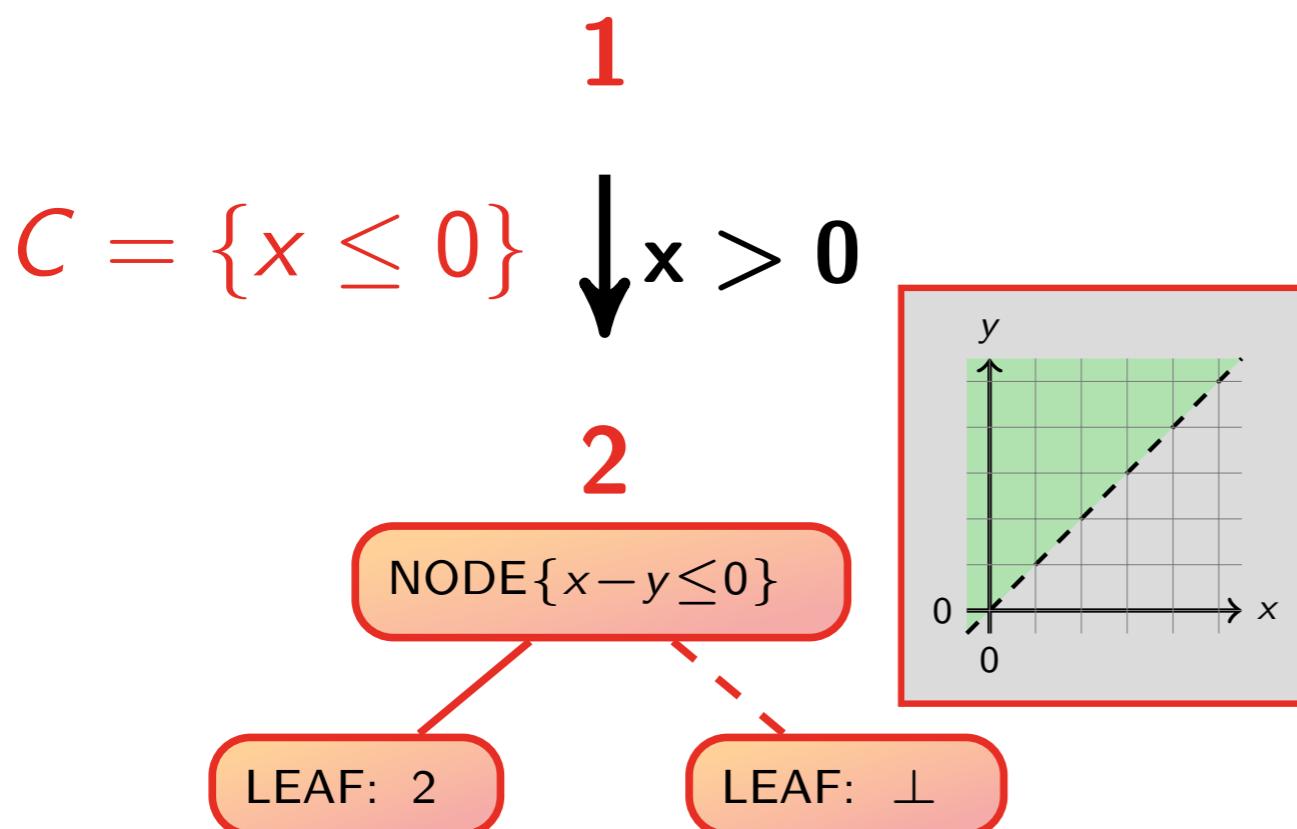
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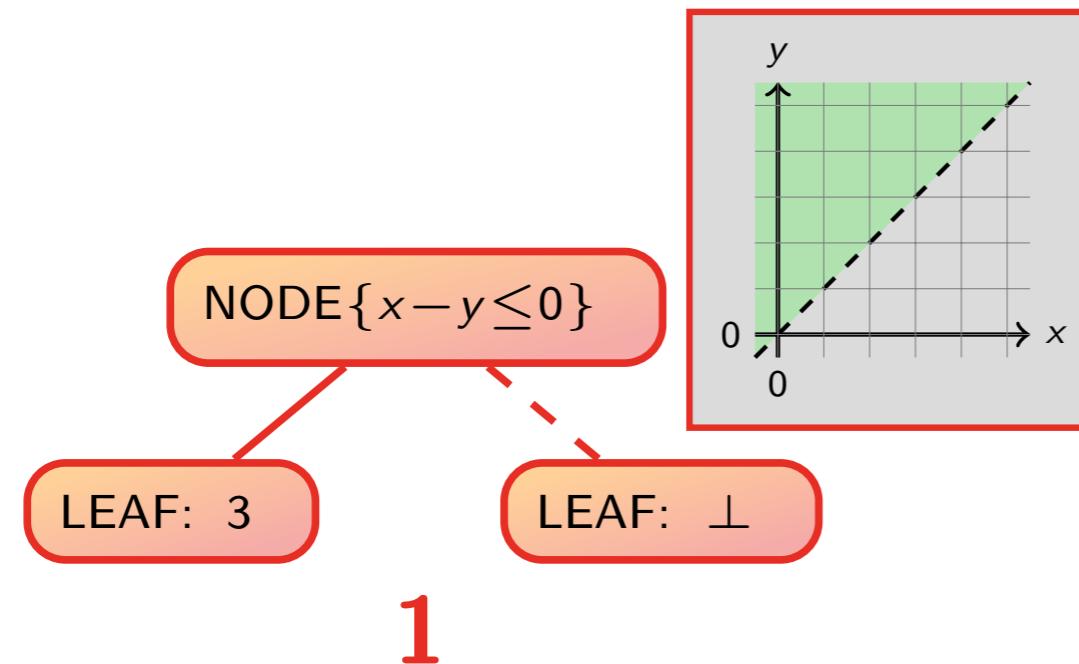
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# Tests



**thm 4 : Tree Filter**

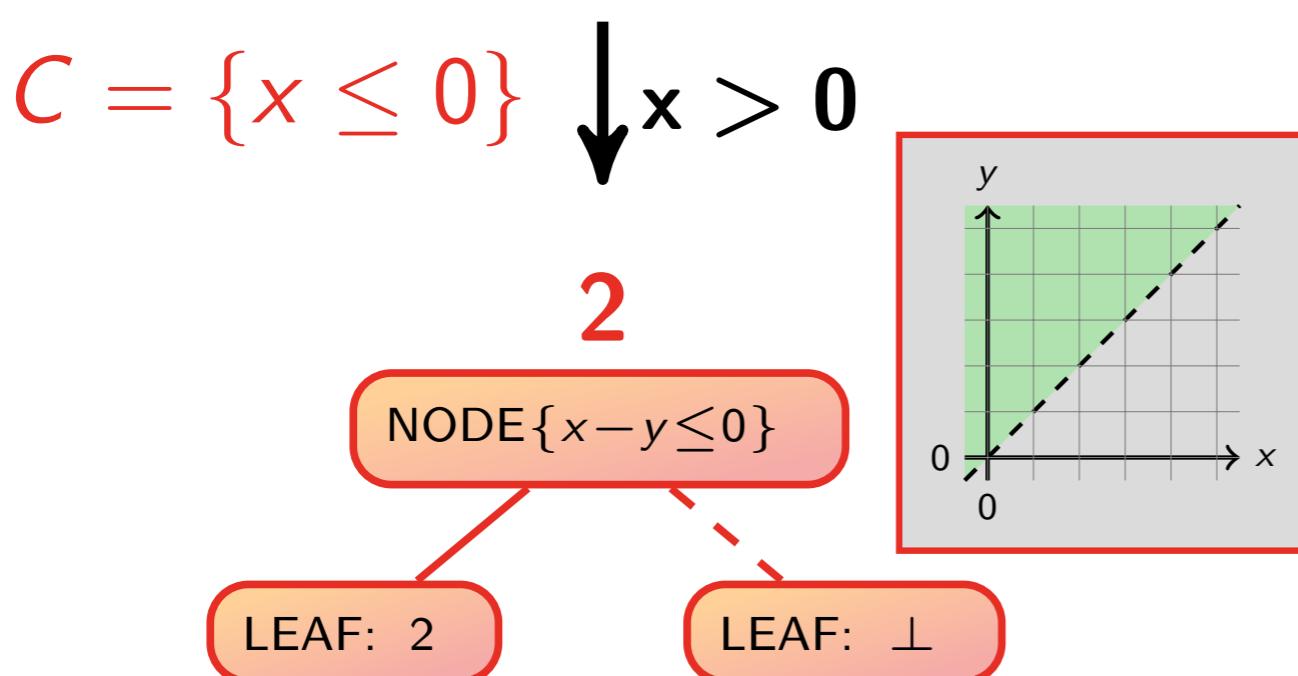
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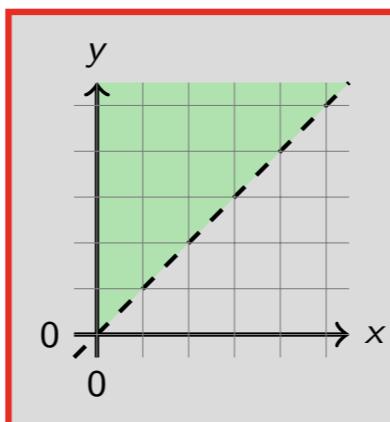
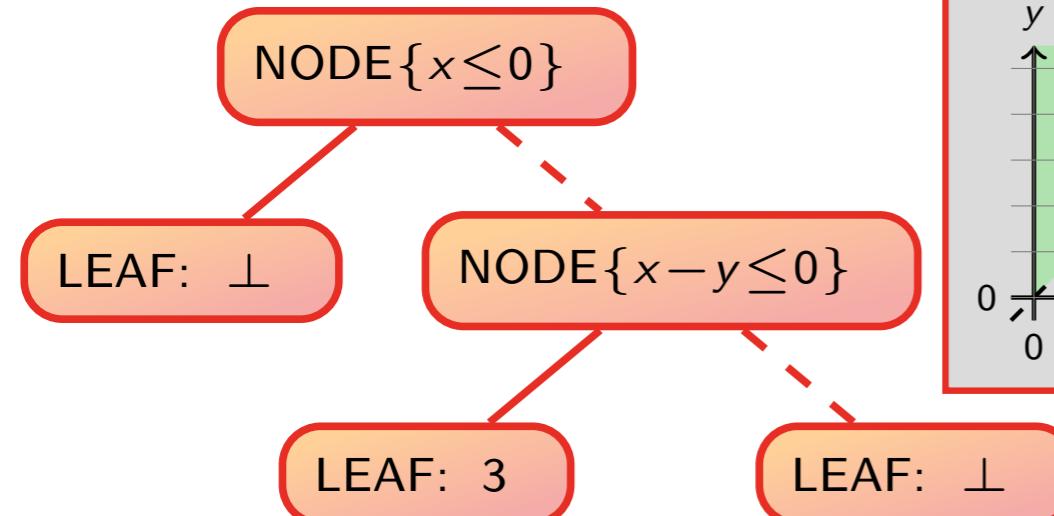
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# Tests



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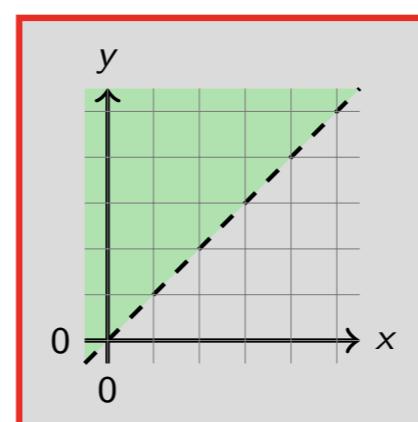
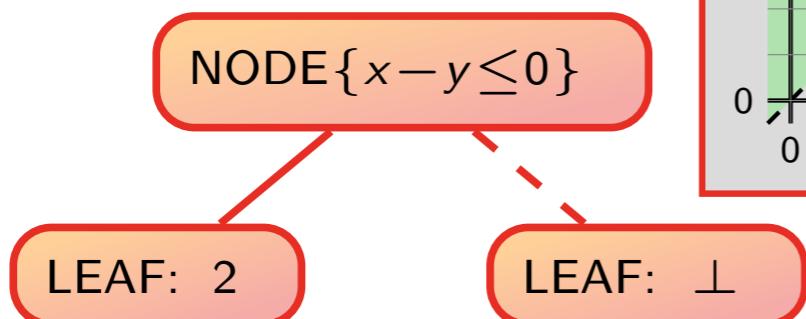
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$C = \{x \leq 0\}$

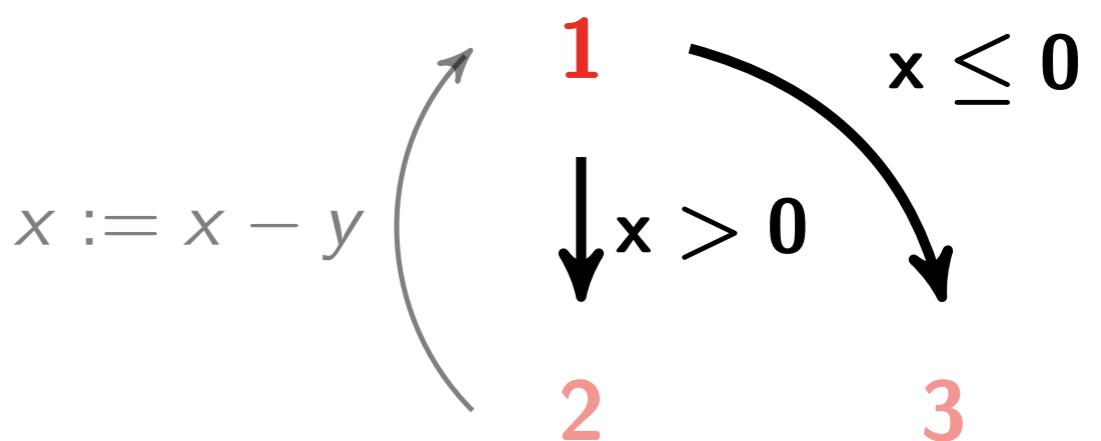
$\downarrow x > 0$

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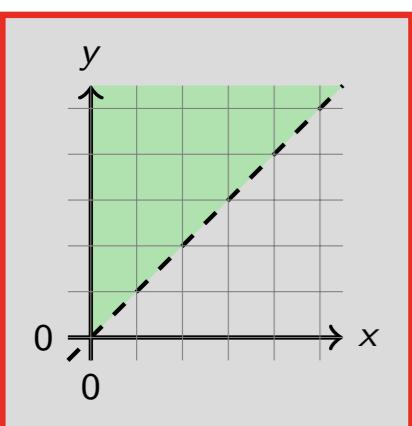


## Example

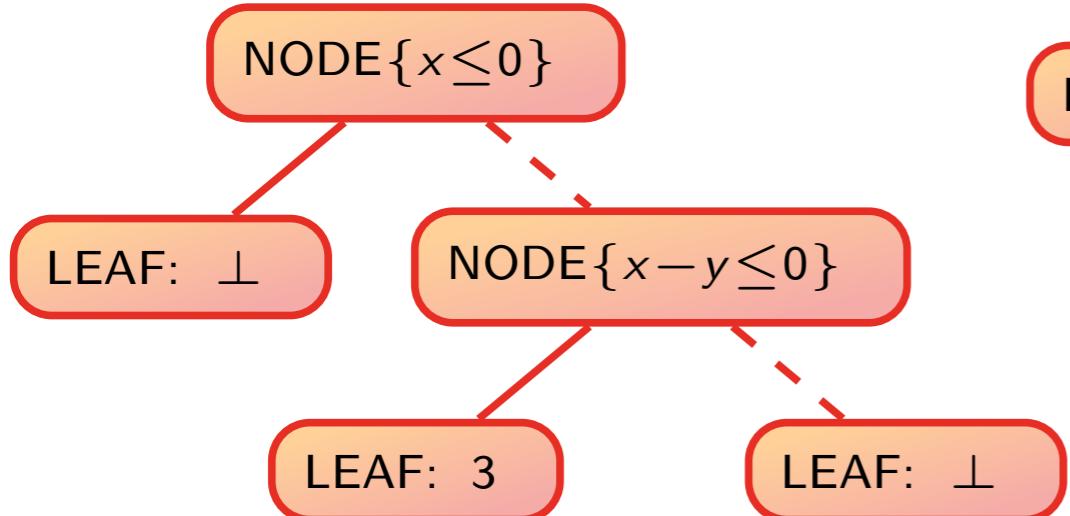
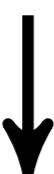
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# Join



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### Algorithm 1 : Tree Unification

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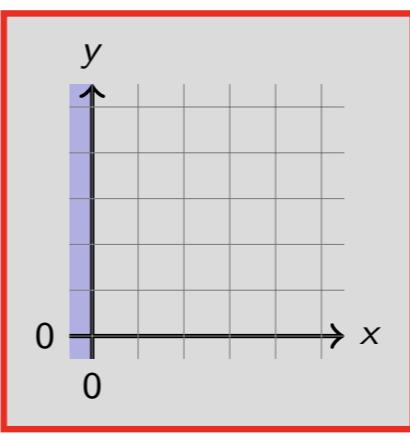
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3:     return ( $t_1, t_2$ )
4:   else if ISLEAF( $t_1$ )  $\vee$  (ISNODE( $t_1$ )  $\wedge$  ISNODE( $t_2$ )  $\wedge$   $t_2.c <_L t_1.c$ ) then
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7:     return (NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )
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12:   else
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14:     ( $r_2, r_2$ )  $\leftarrow$  UNIFICATION( $t_1.r, t_2.r$ )
15:     return (NODE{ $t_1.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )
  
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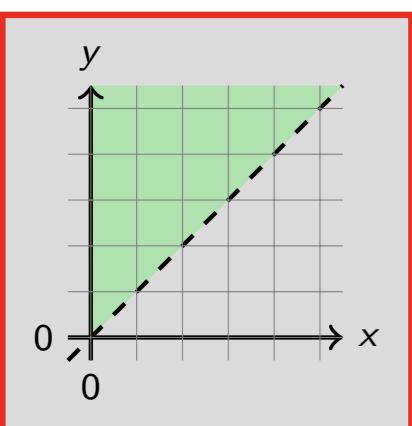
NODE{ $x \leq 0$ }

LEAF: 1

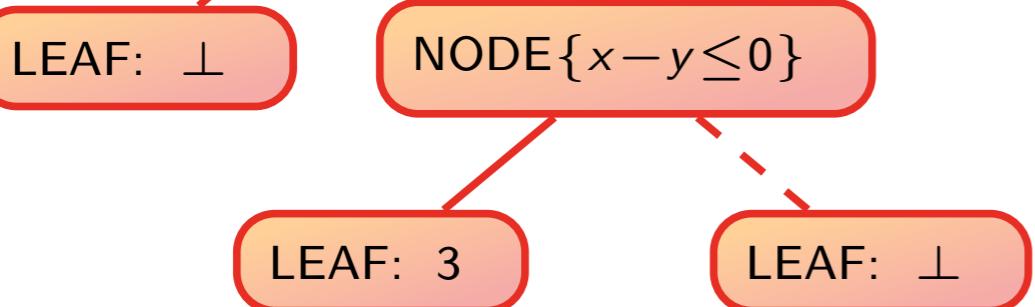
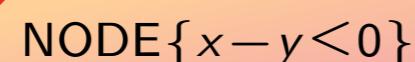
LEAF: ⊥



# Join



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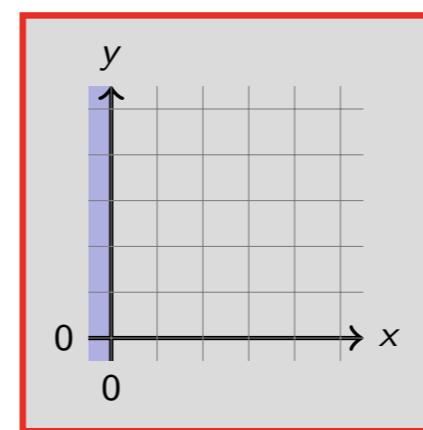
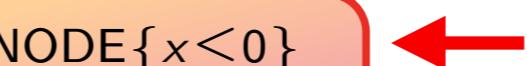
### Algorithm 1 : Tree Unification

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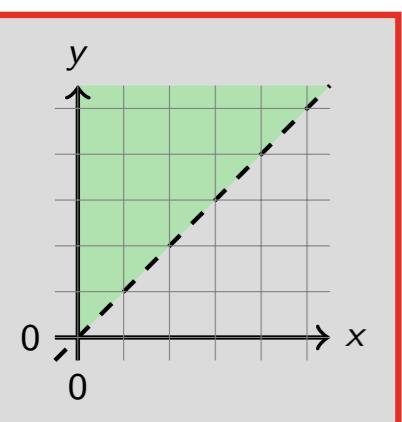
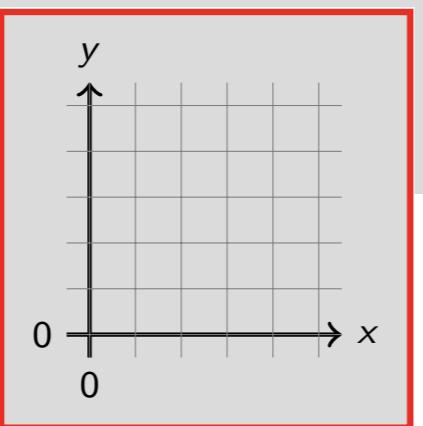
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7:     return (NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )
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15:     return (NODE{ $t_1.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )
  
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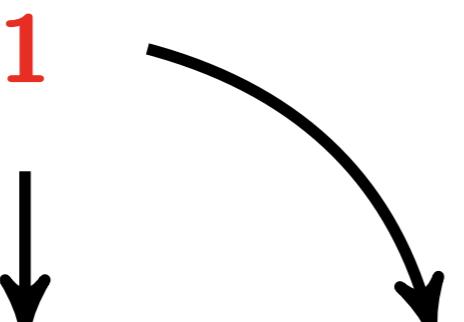


# Join

NODE $\{x \leq 0\}$



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NODE $\{x \leq 0\}$

LEAF:  $\perp$

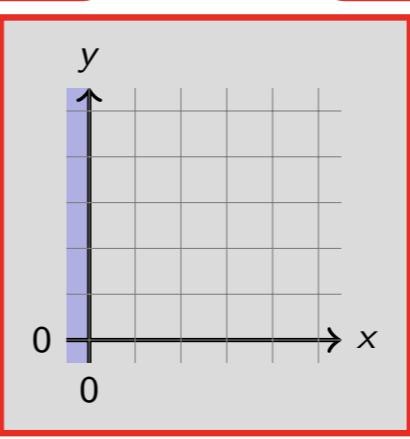
NODE $\{x - y \leq 0\}$

LEAF: 3

LEAF:  $\perp$

LEAF: 1

LEAF:  $\perp$




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**Algorithm 1 : Tree Unification**

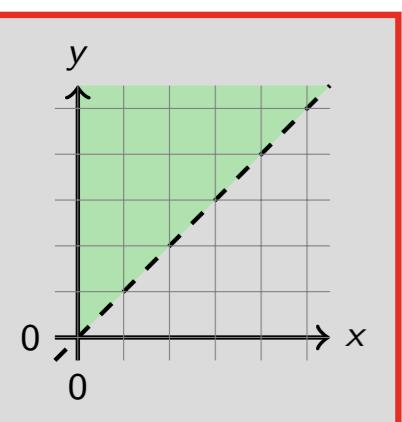
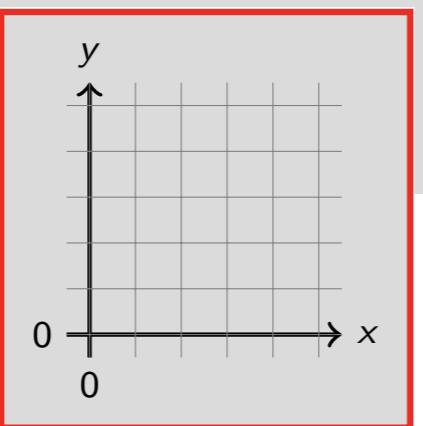
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3:     return ( $t_1, t_2$ )
4:   else if ISLEAF( $t_1$ )  $\vee$  (ISNODE( $t_1$ )  $\wedge$  ISNODE( $t_2$ )  $\wedge$   $t_2.c <_{\perp} t_1.c$ ) then
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6:     ( $r_1, r_2$ )  $\leftarrow$  UNIFICATION( $t_1, t_2.r$ )
7:     return (NODE $\{t_2.c\} : l_1; r_1$ , NODE $\{t_2.c\} : l_2; r_2$ )
8:   else if ISLEAF( $t_2$ )  $\vee$  (ISNODE( $t_1$ )  $\wedge$  ISNODE( $t_2$ )  $\wedge$   $t_1.c <_{\perp} t_2.c$ ) then
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11:    return (NODE $\{t_1.c\} : l_1; r_1$ , NODE $\{t_1.c\} : l_2; r_2$ )
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15:     return (NODE $\{t_1.c\} : l_1; r_1$ , NODE $\{t_2.c\} : l_2; r_2$ )
  
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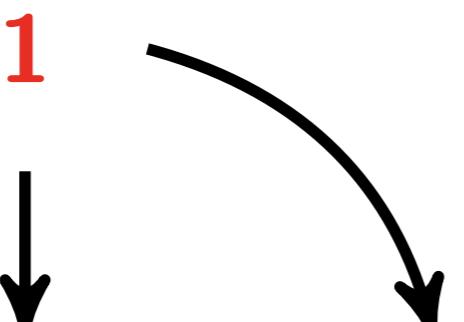
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# Join

NODE $\{x \leq 0\}$



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NODE $\{x \leq 0\}$

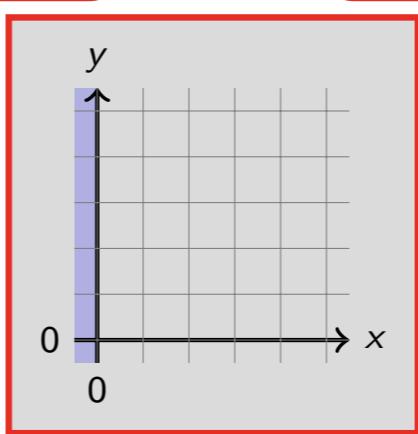
LEAF:  $\perp$

NODE $\{x - y \leq 0\}$

LEAF: 3

LEAF: 1

LEAF:  $\perp$




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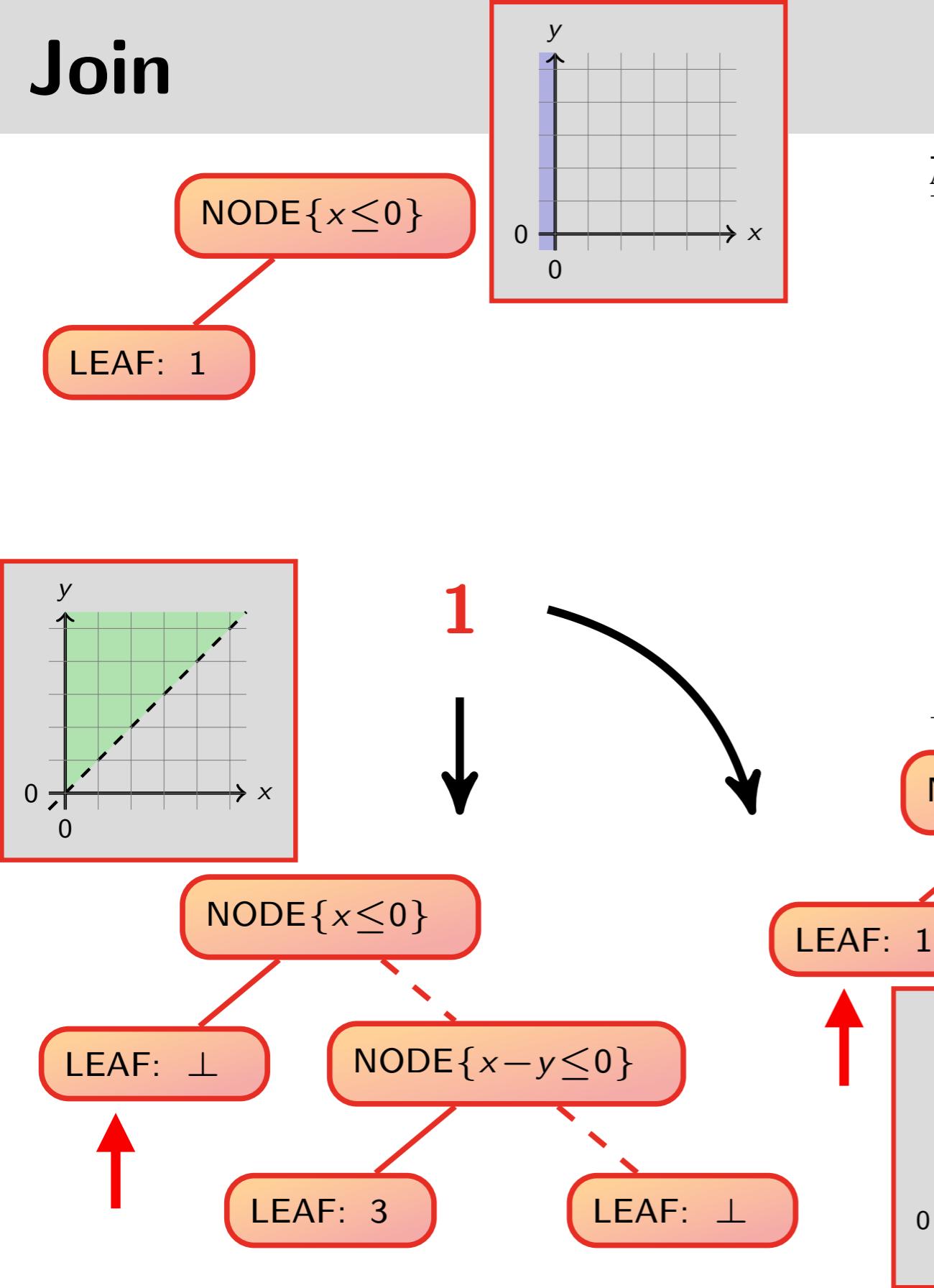
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# Join




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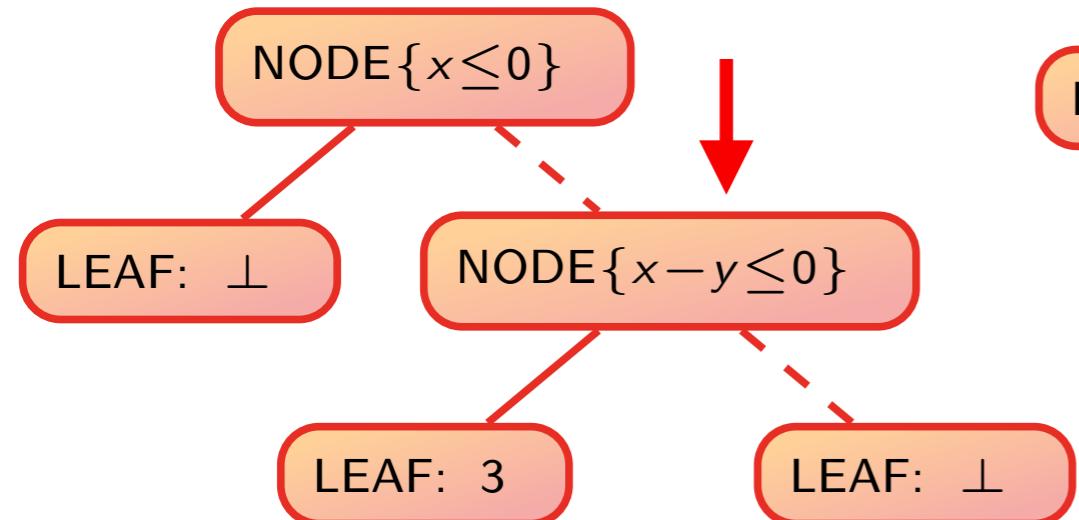
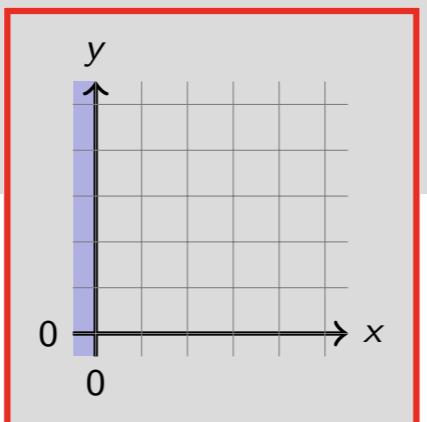
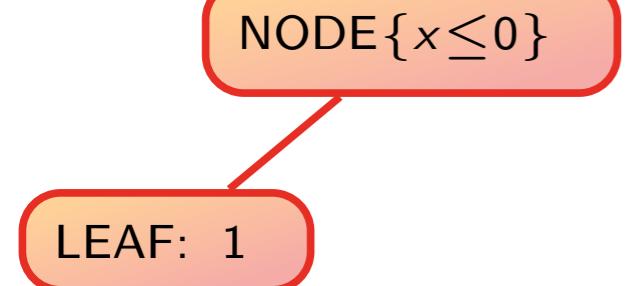
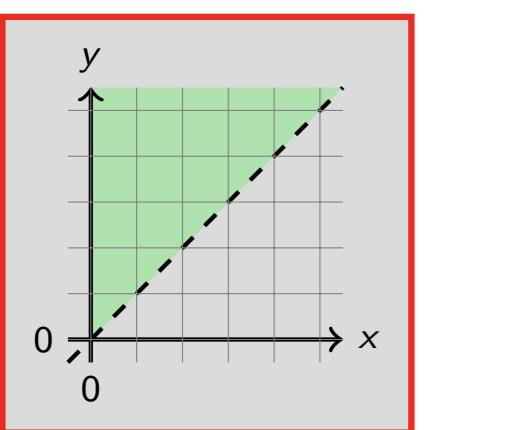
### Algorithm 1 : Tree Unification

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# Join




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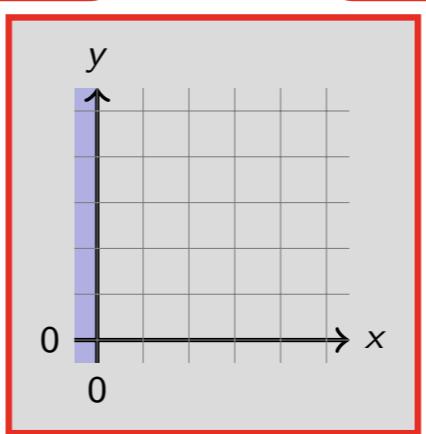
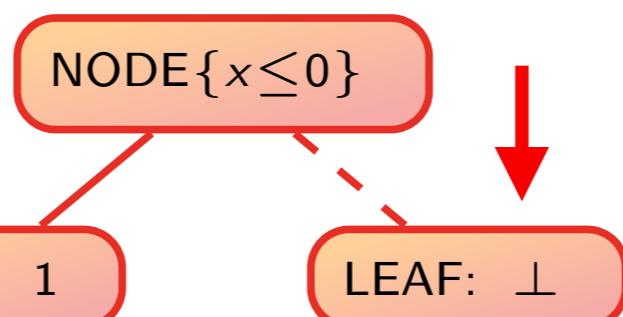
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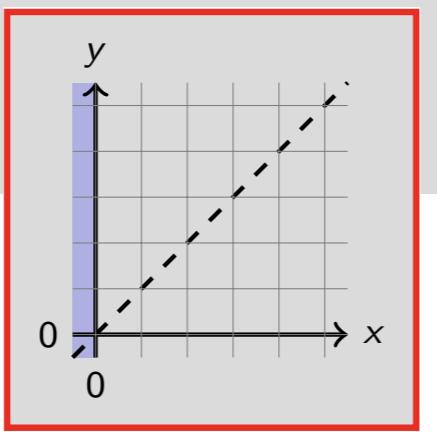
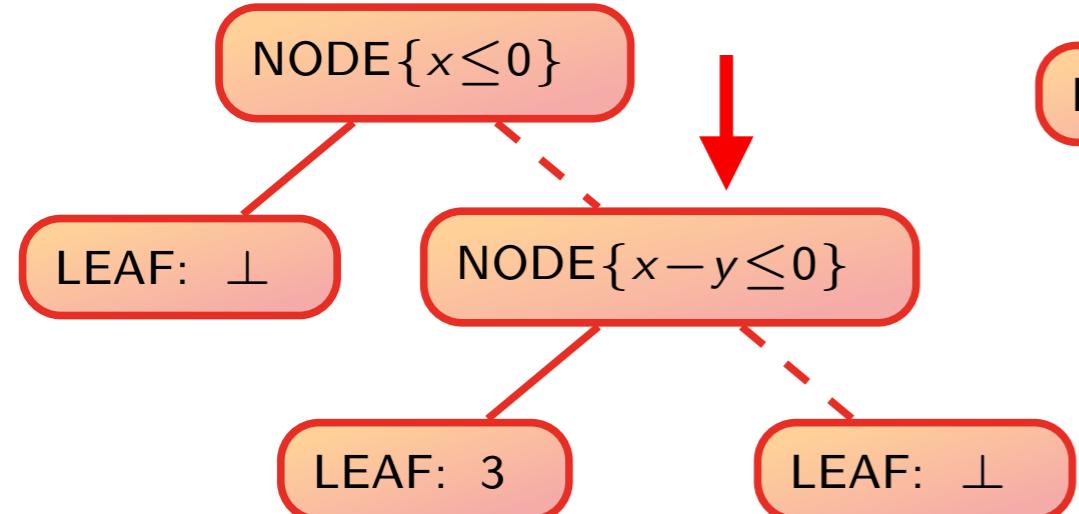
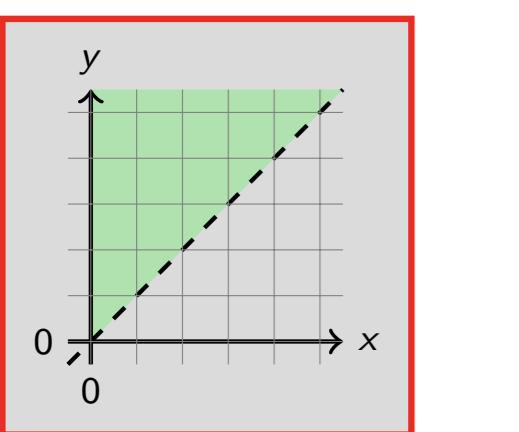
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# Join



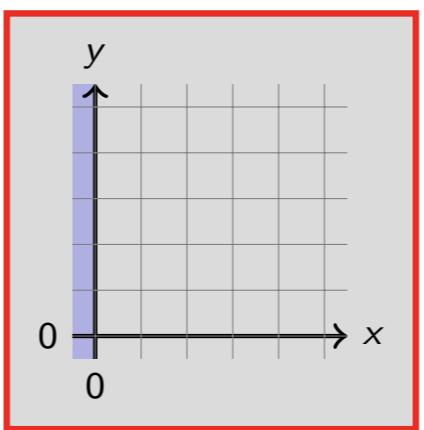
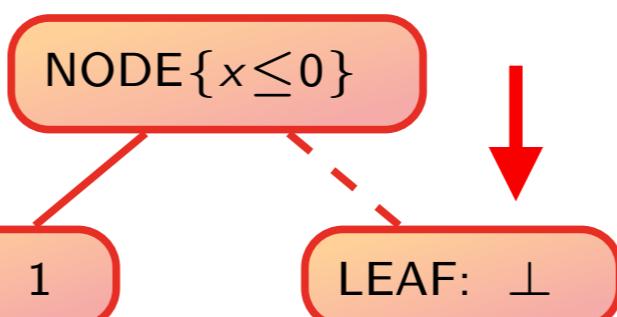

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**Algorithm 1 : Tree Unification**

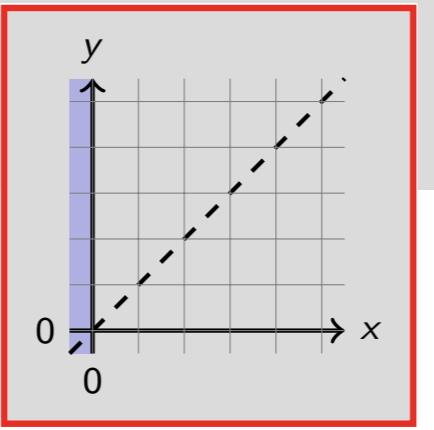
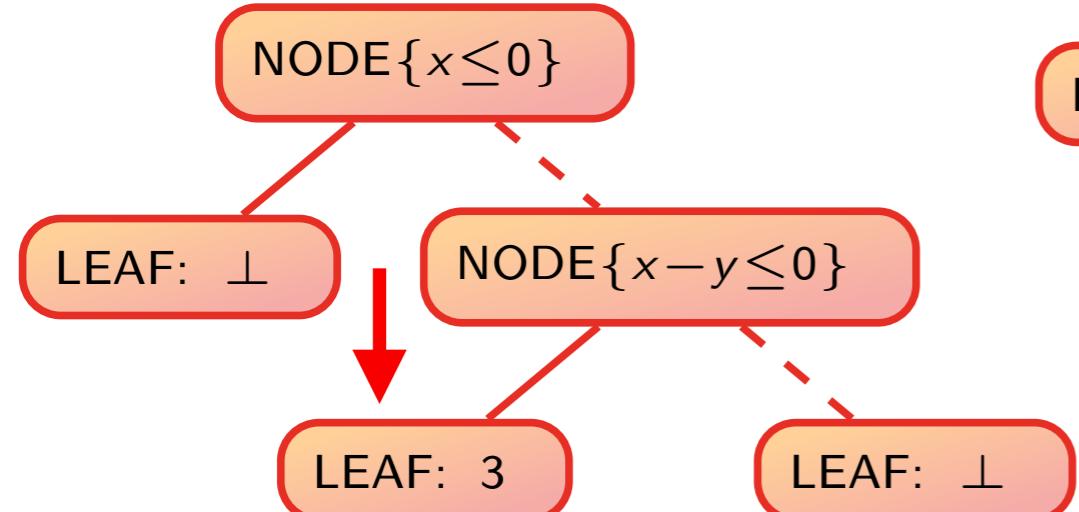
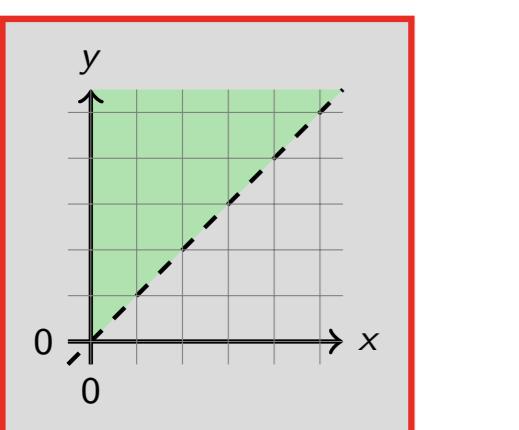
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7:     return (NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )
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10:    ( $r_1, r_2$ )  $\leftarrow$  UNIFICATION( $t_1.r, t_2$ )
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12:   else
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15:     return (NODE{ $t_1.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )
  
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# Join



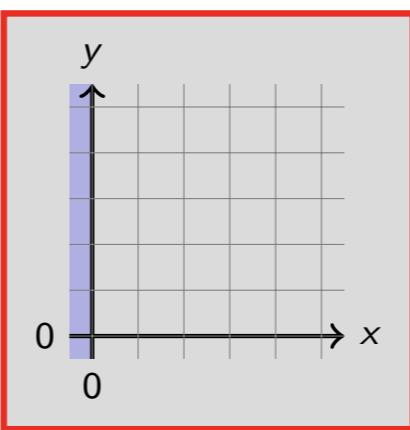
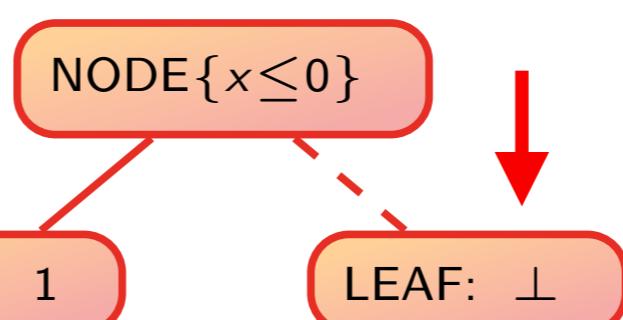

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### Algorithm 1 : Tree Unification

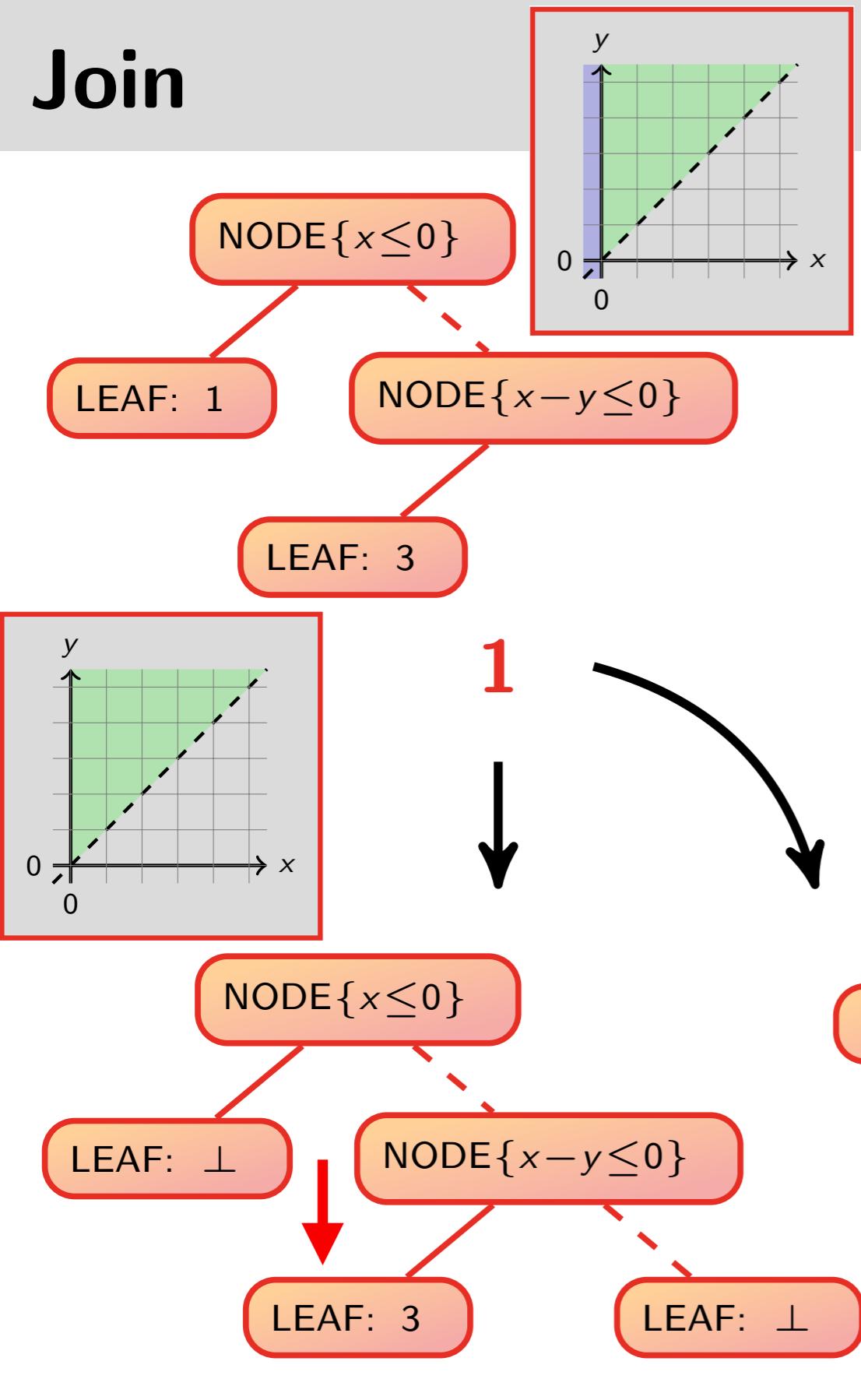
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7:     return (NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )
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12:   else
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15:     return (NODE{ $t_1.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )
  
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# Join



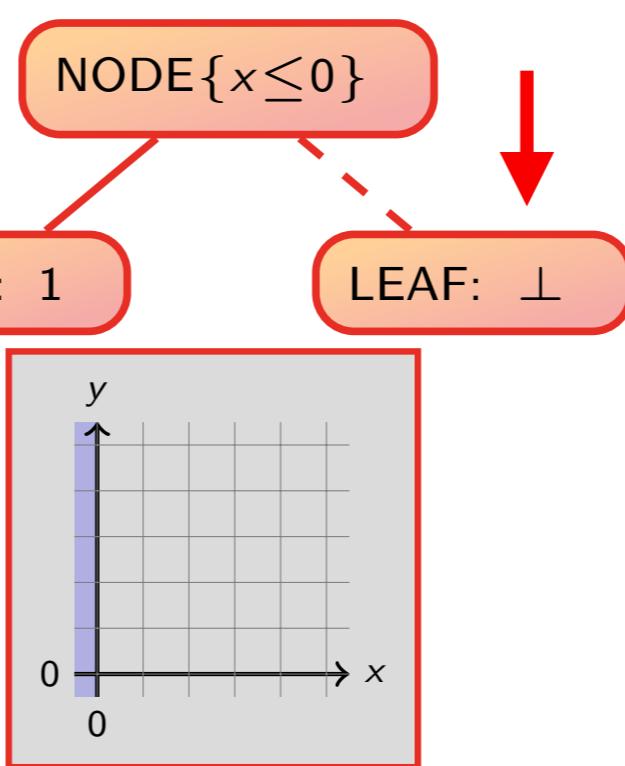

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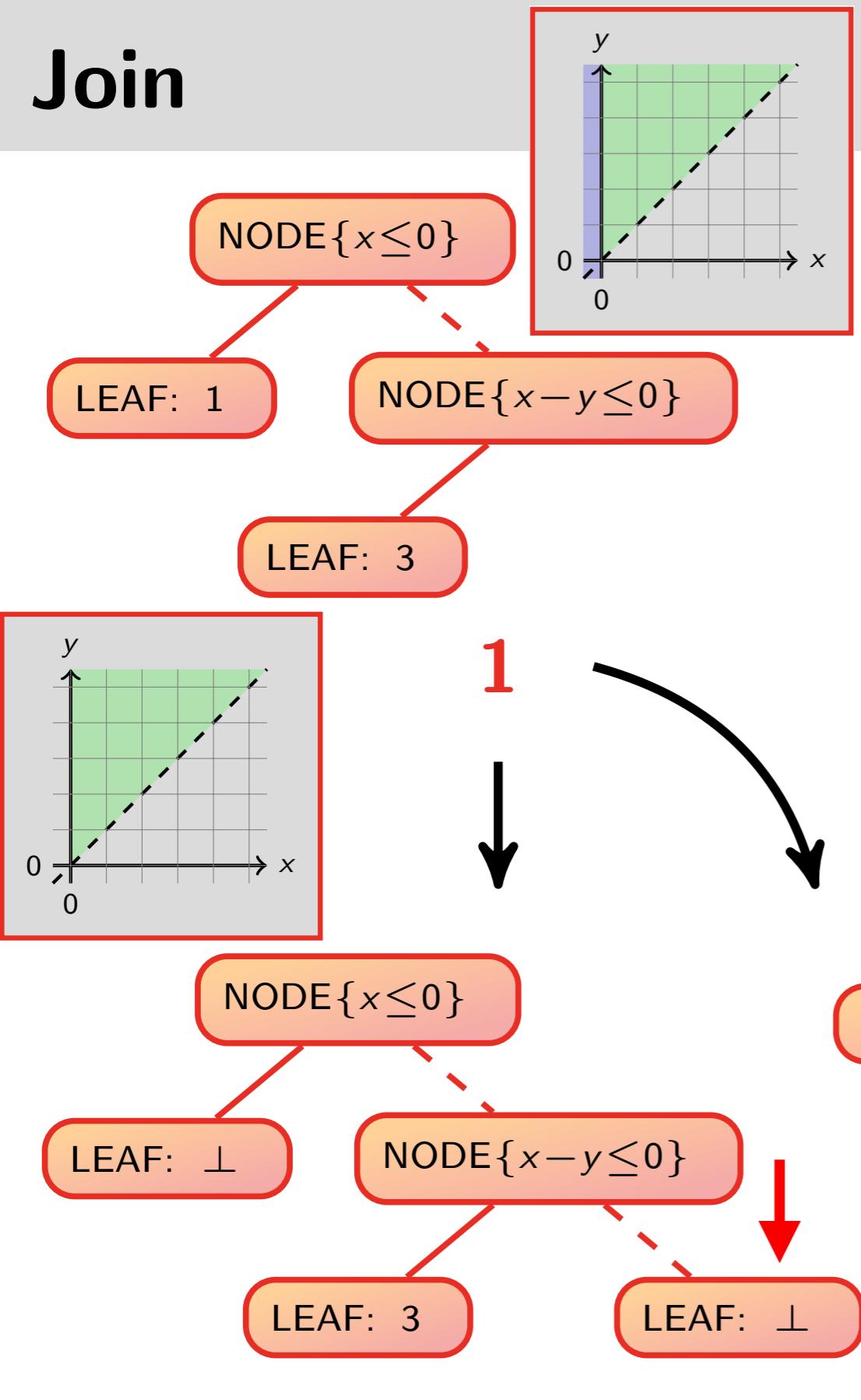
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# Join



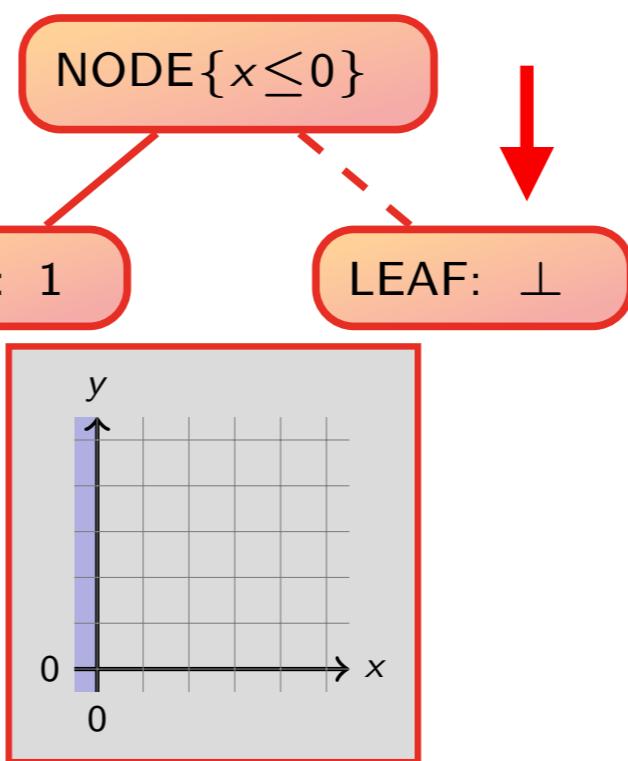

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### Algorithm 1 : Tree Unification

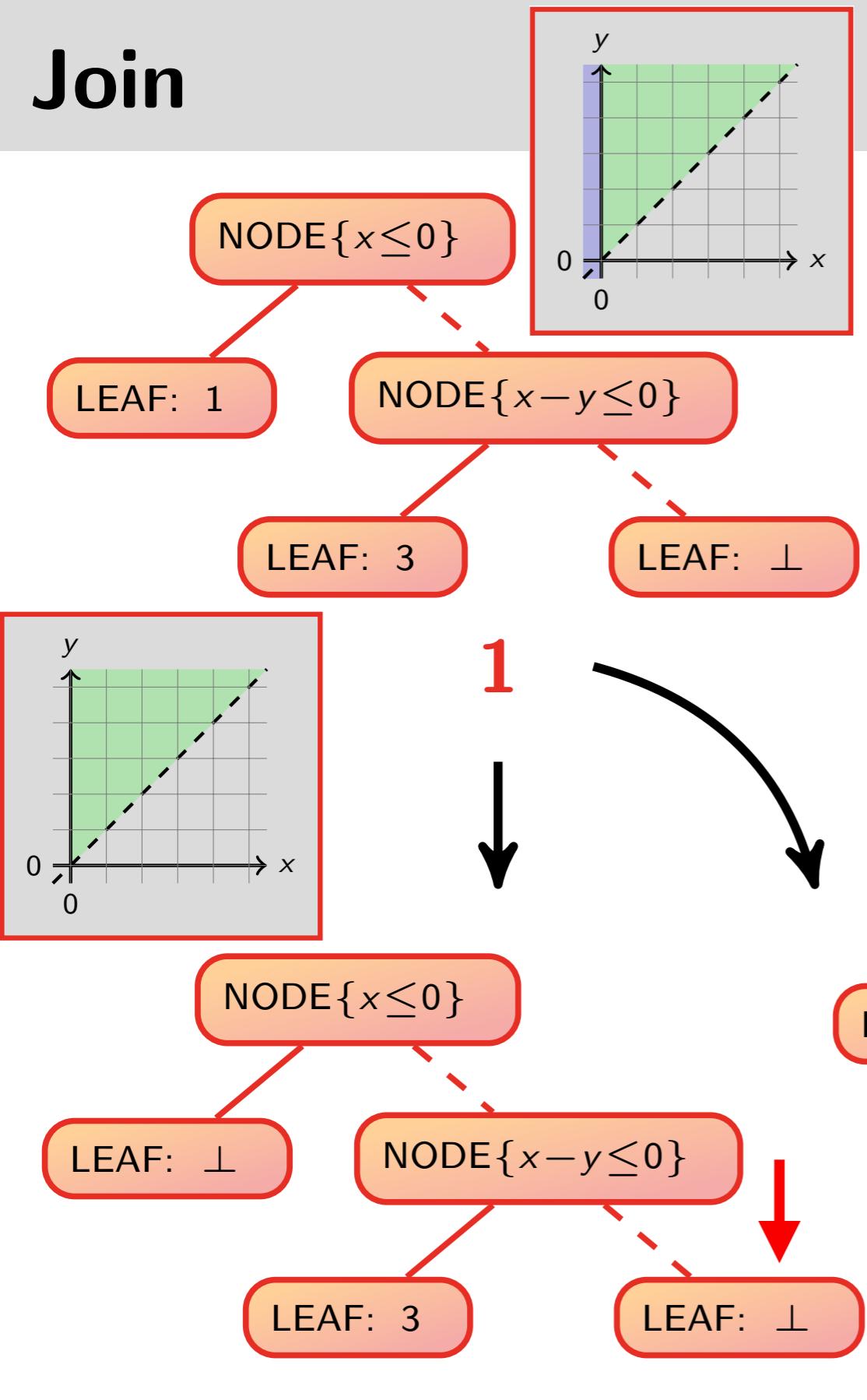
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15:     return (NODE $\{t_1.c\} : l_1; r_1$ , NODE $\{t_2.c\} : l_2; r_2$ )
  
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# Join




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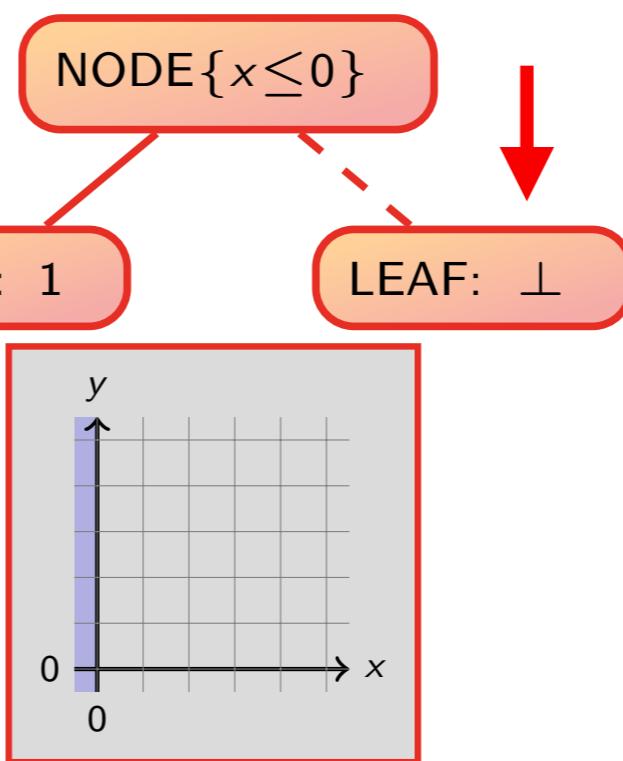
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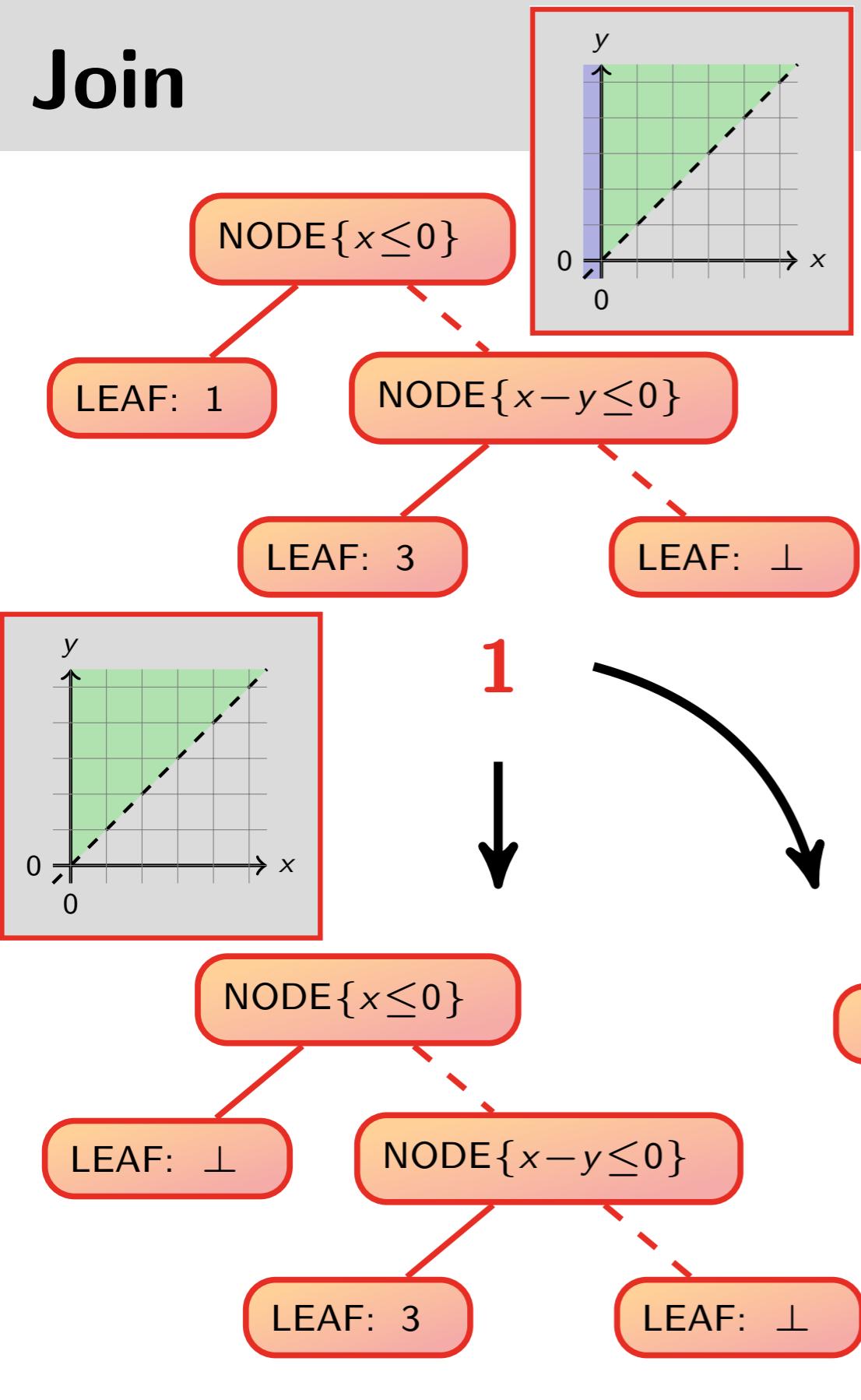
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15:     return (NODE{ $t_1.c$ } :  $l_1; r_1$ , NODE{ $t_2.c$ } :  $l_2; r_2$ )

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# Join



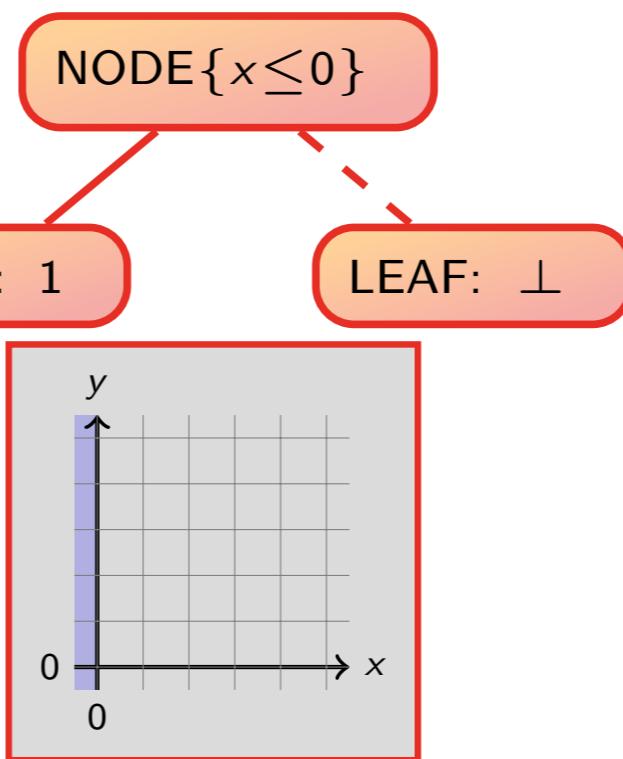

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### Algorithm 1 : Tree Unification

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12:   else
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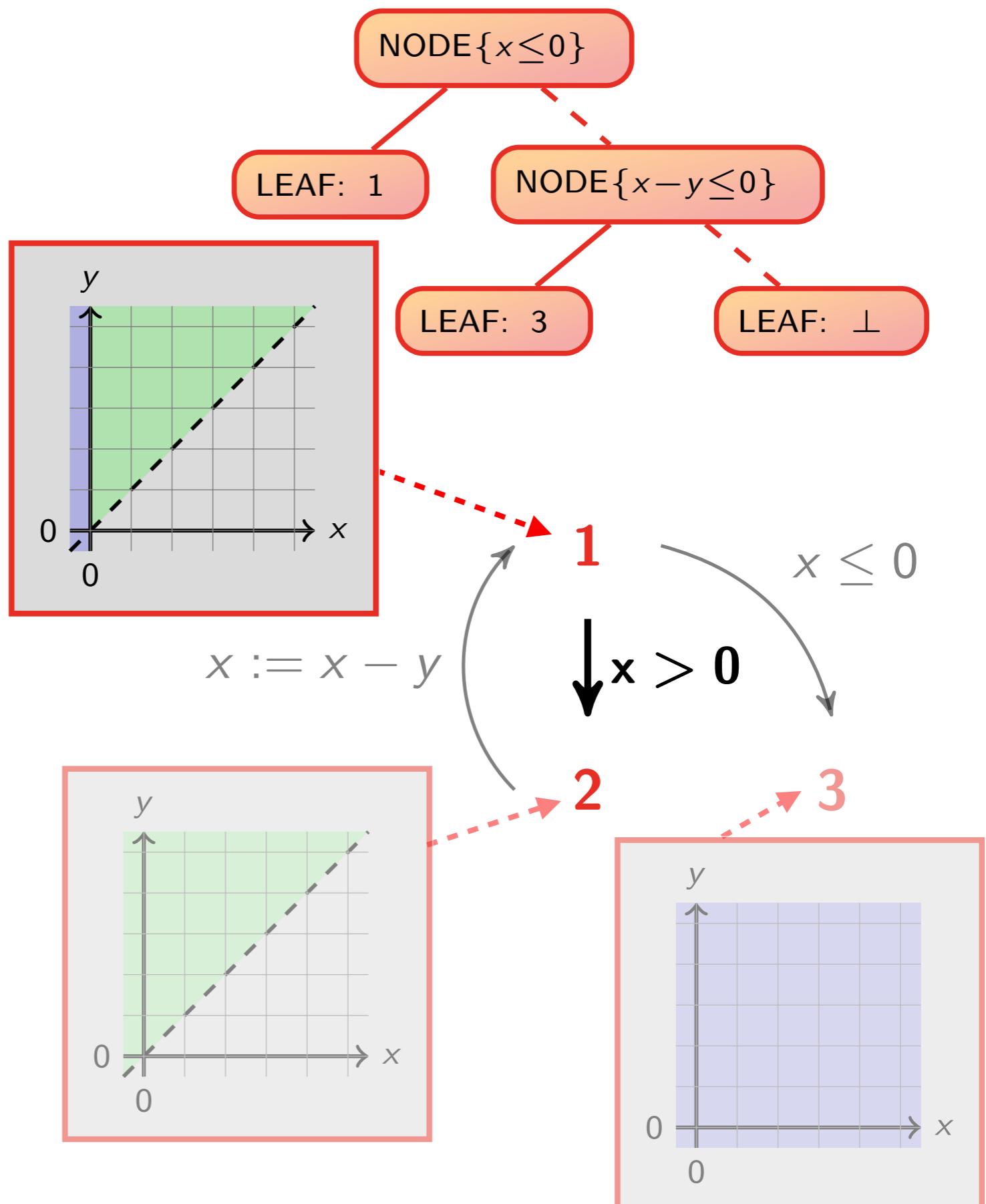
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## Example

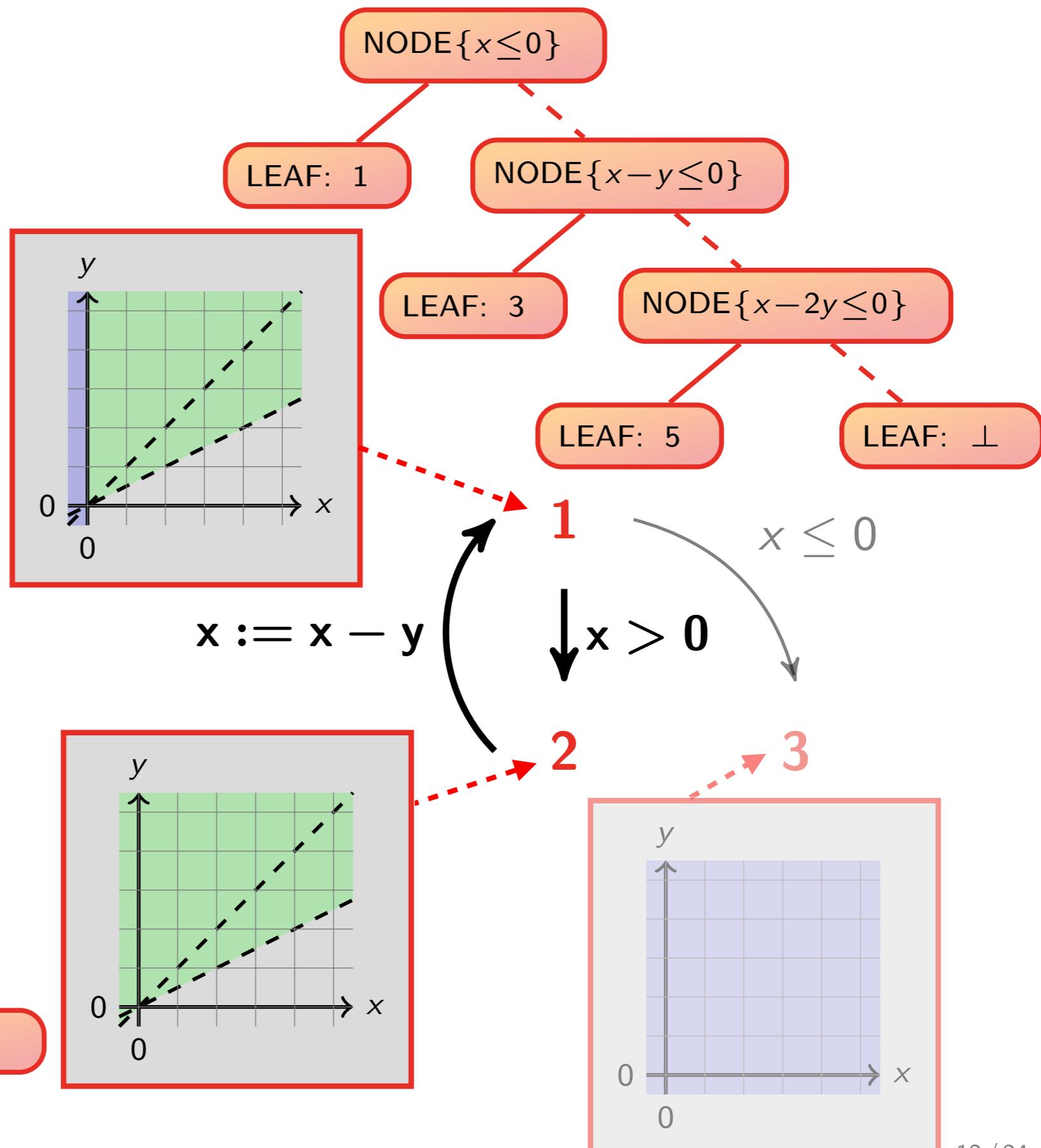
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int : x, y
while 1(x > 0) do
    2x := x - y
od3
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we have taken  $x > 0$   
into account and we  
have done the join

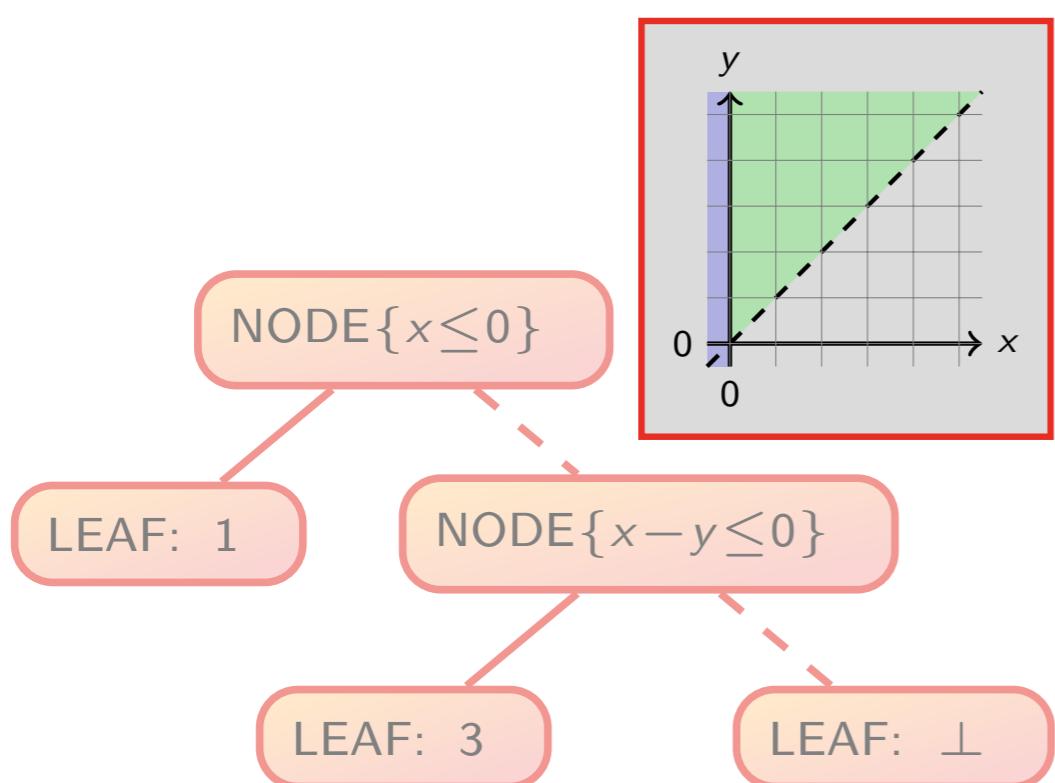


## Example

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int : x, y
while 1(x > 0) do
  2x := x - y
od3
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# Widening: Left Unification



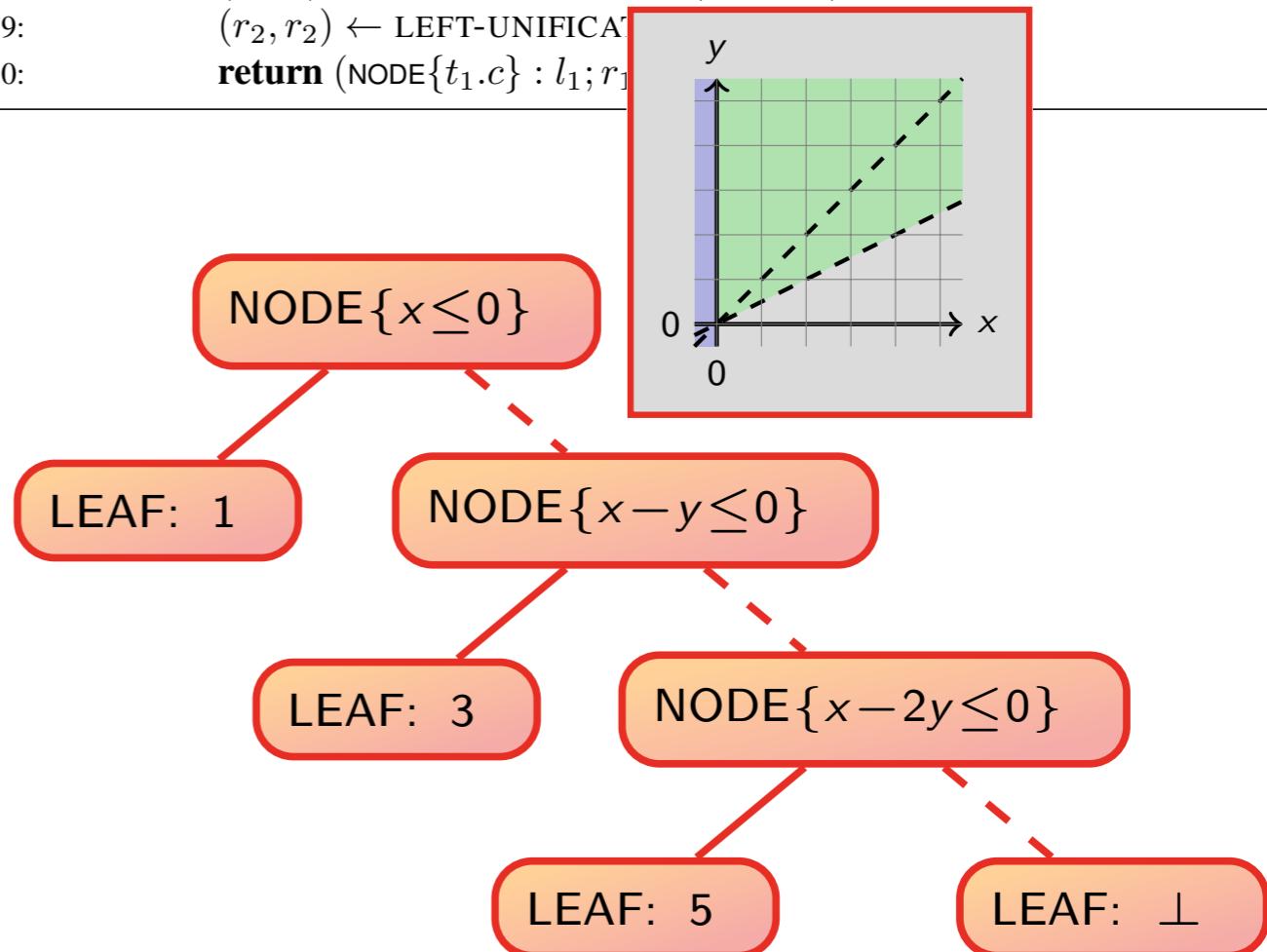
**Algorithm 5 : Tree Left Unification**

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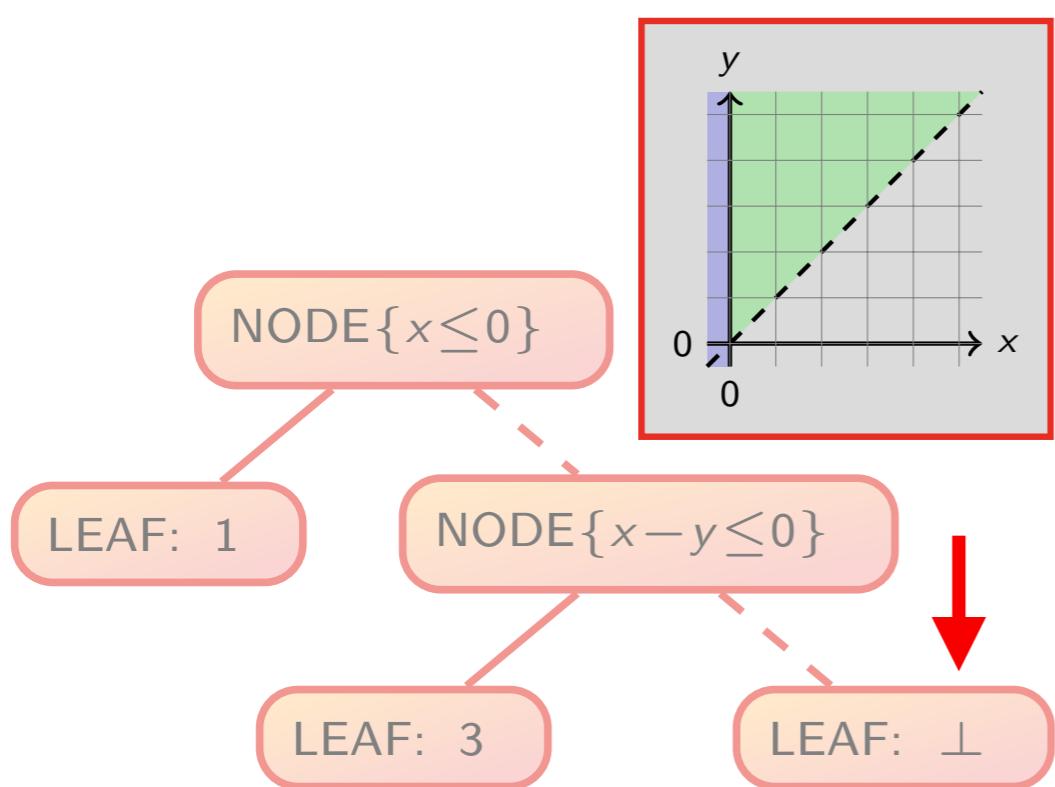
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1: function LEFT-UNIFICATION( $t_1, t_2$ )
2:   if ISLEAF( $t_1$ )  $\wedge$  ISLEAF( $t_2$ ) then
3:     return ( $t_1, t_2$ )
4:   else
5:     if ISLEAF( $t_1$ )  $\vee$  (ISNODE( $t_1$ )  $\wedge$  ISNODE( $t_2$ )  $\wedge$   $t_2.c <_{\mathbb{L}} t_1.c$ ) then
6:       return LEFT-UNIFICATION( $t_1, t_2.l \sqcup_{\mathbb{T}} t_2.r$ )
7:     else
8:       ( $l_1, l_2$ )  $\leftarrow$  LEFT-UNIFICATION( $t_1.l, t_2.l$ )
9:       ( $r_2, r_2$ )  $\leftarrow$  LEFT-UNIFICATION( $t_1.r, t_2.r$ )
10:      return (NODE{ $t_1.c$ } :  $l_1; r_2$ )
  
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# Widening: Left Unification



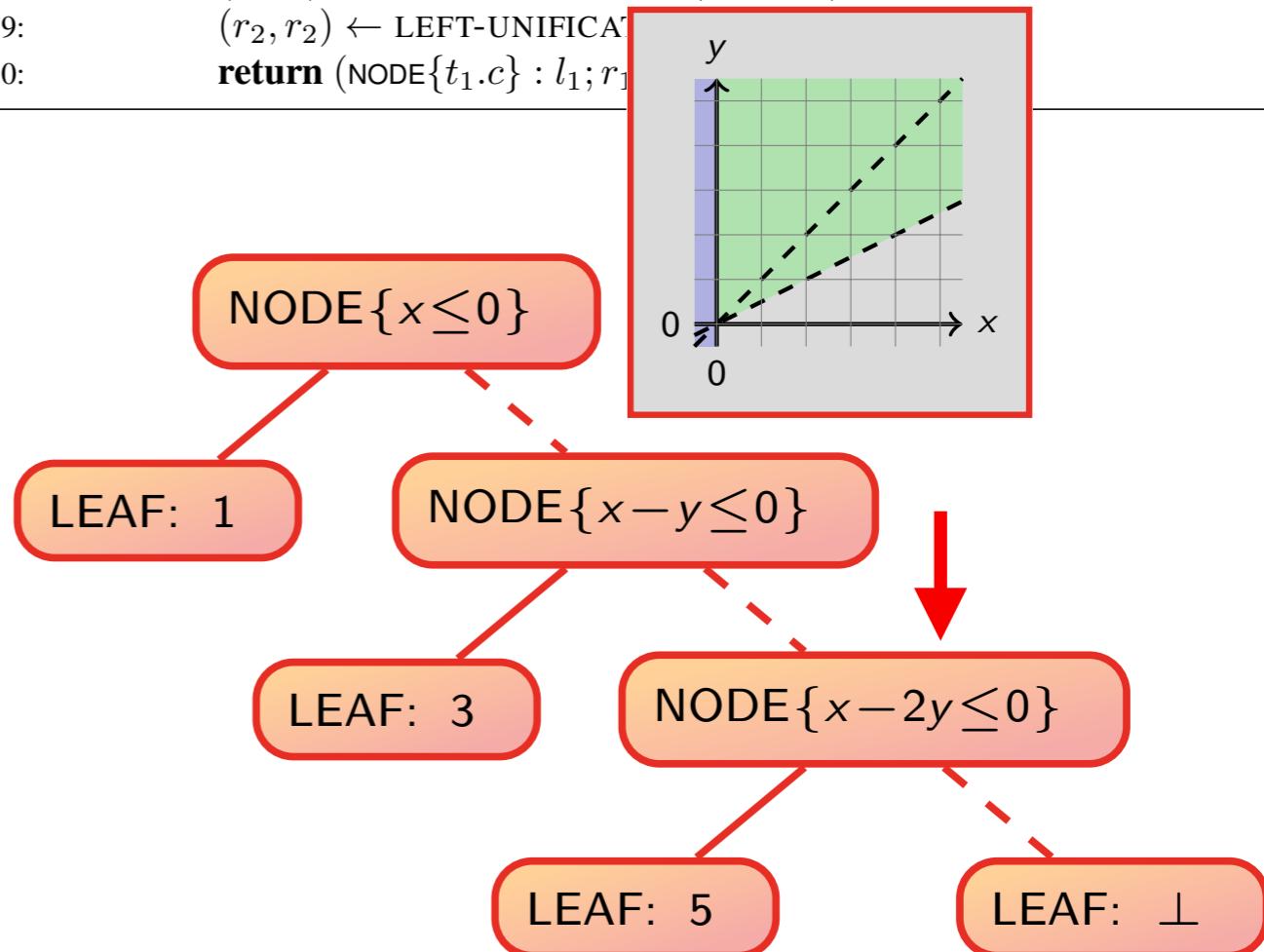
**Algorithm 5 : Tree Left Unification**

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1: function LEFT-UNIFICATION( $t_1, t_2$ )
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# Widening: Left Unification

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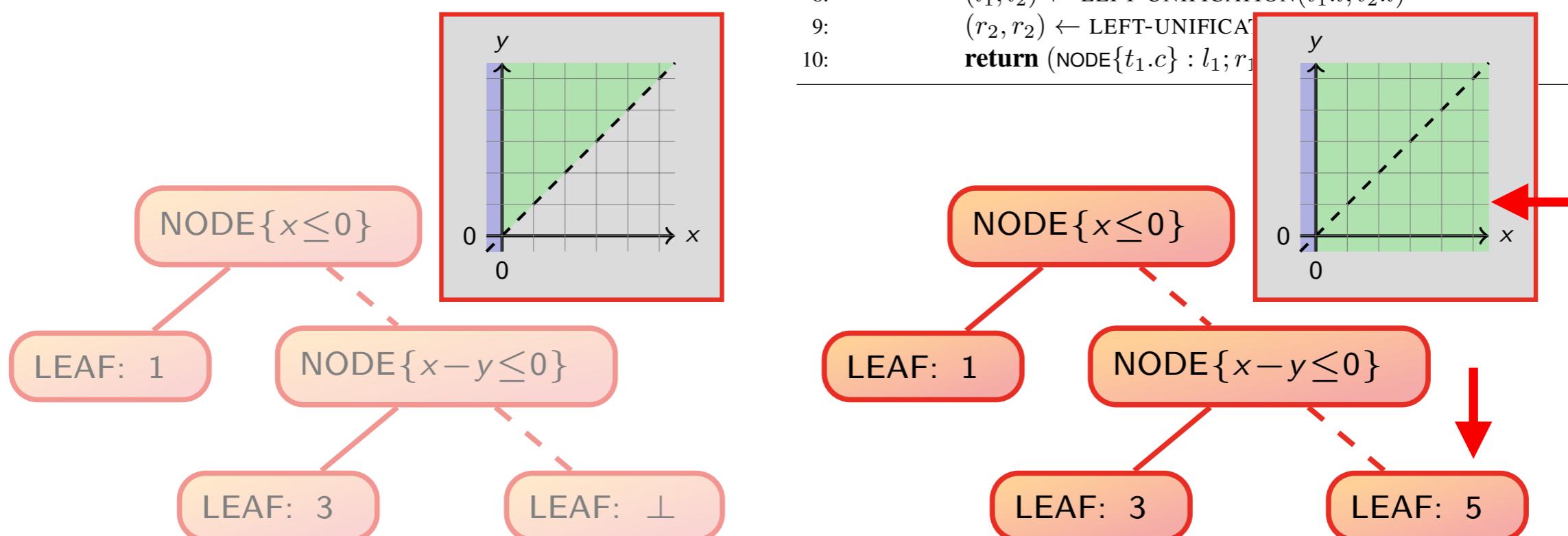
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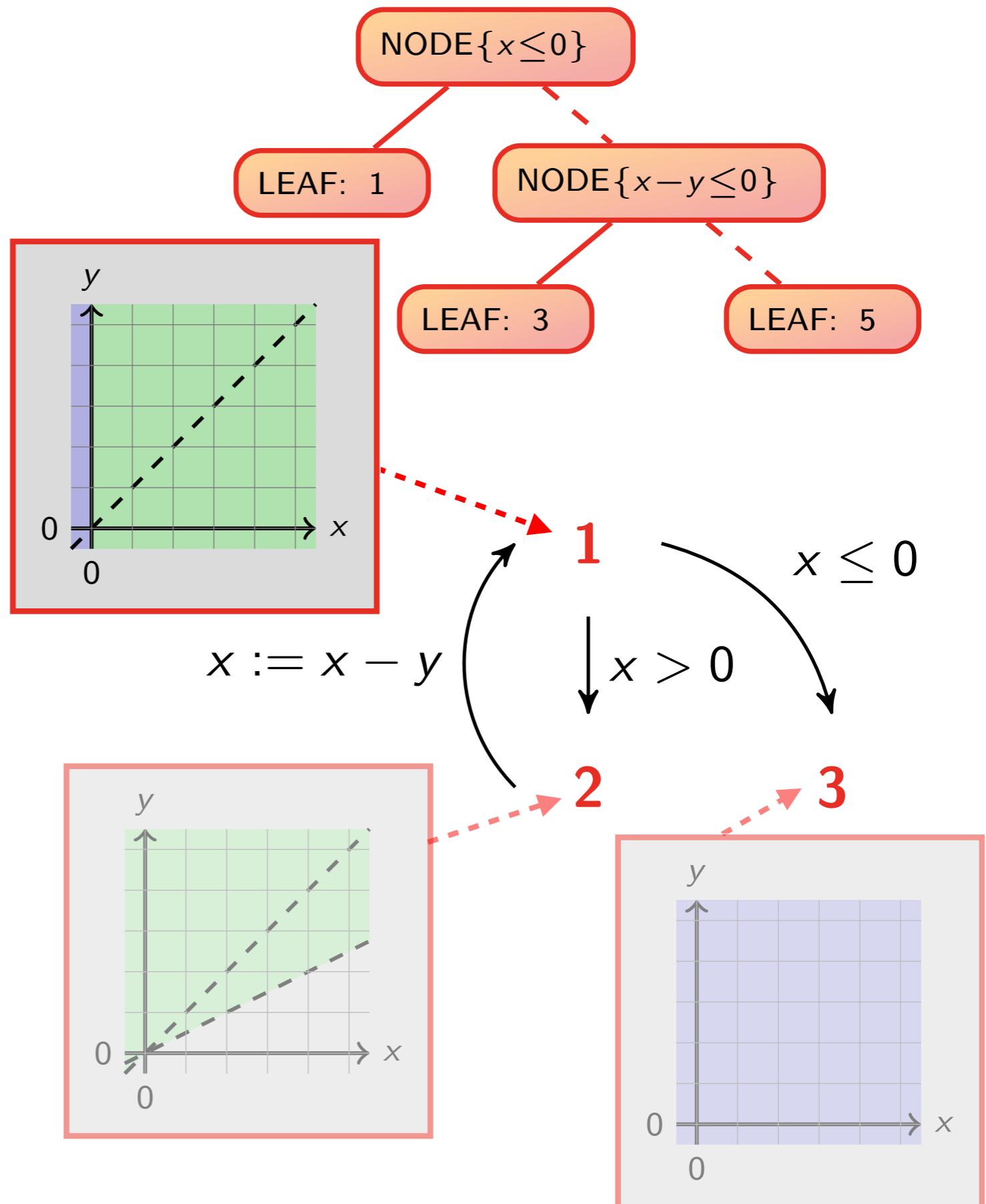
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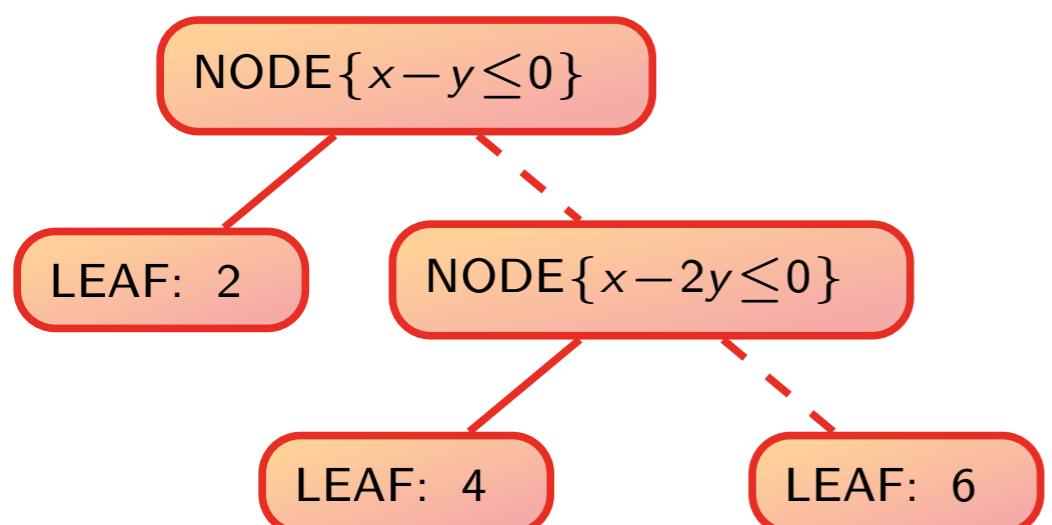
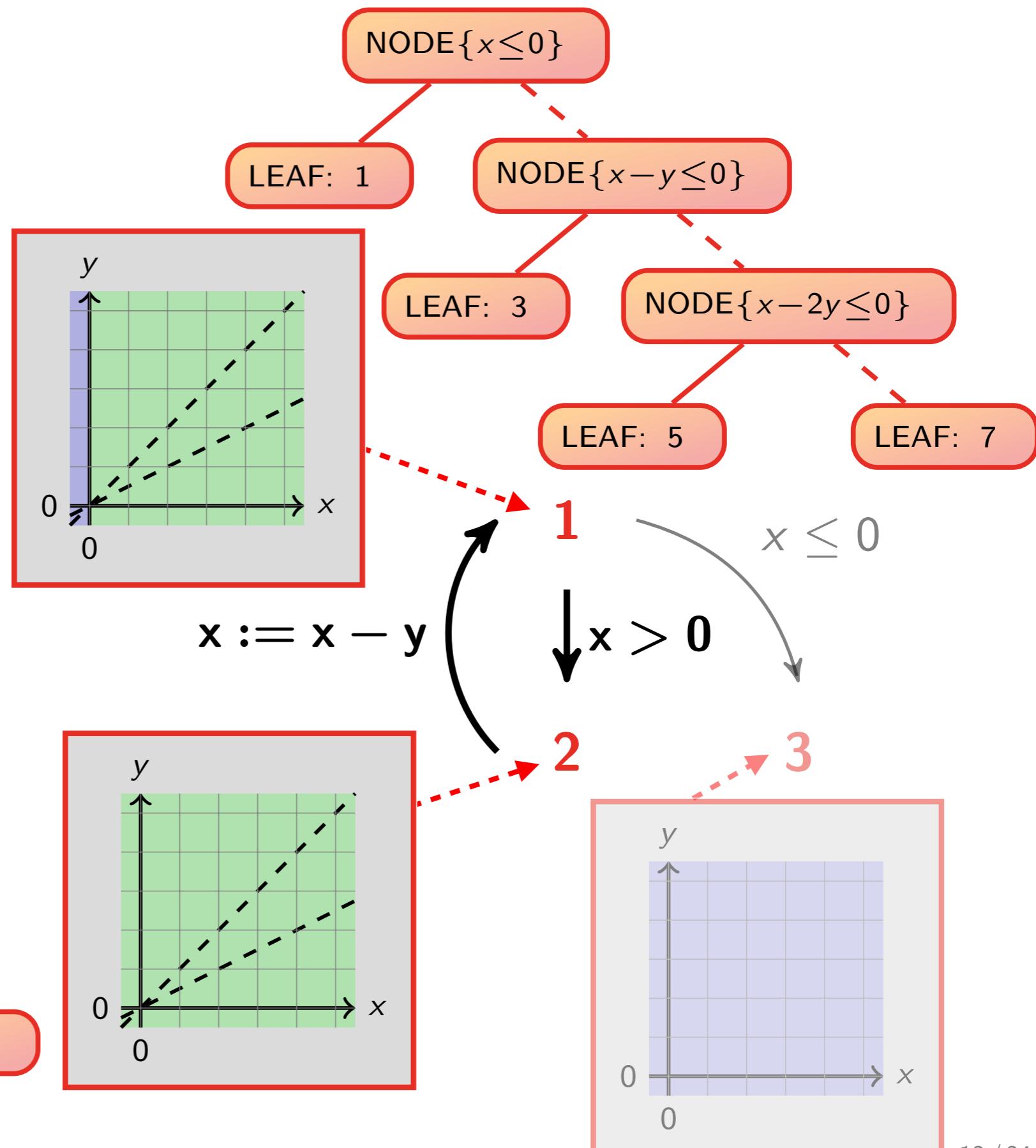
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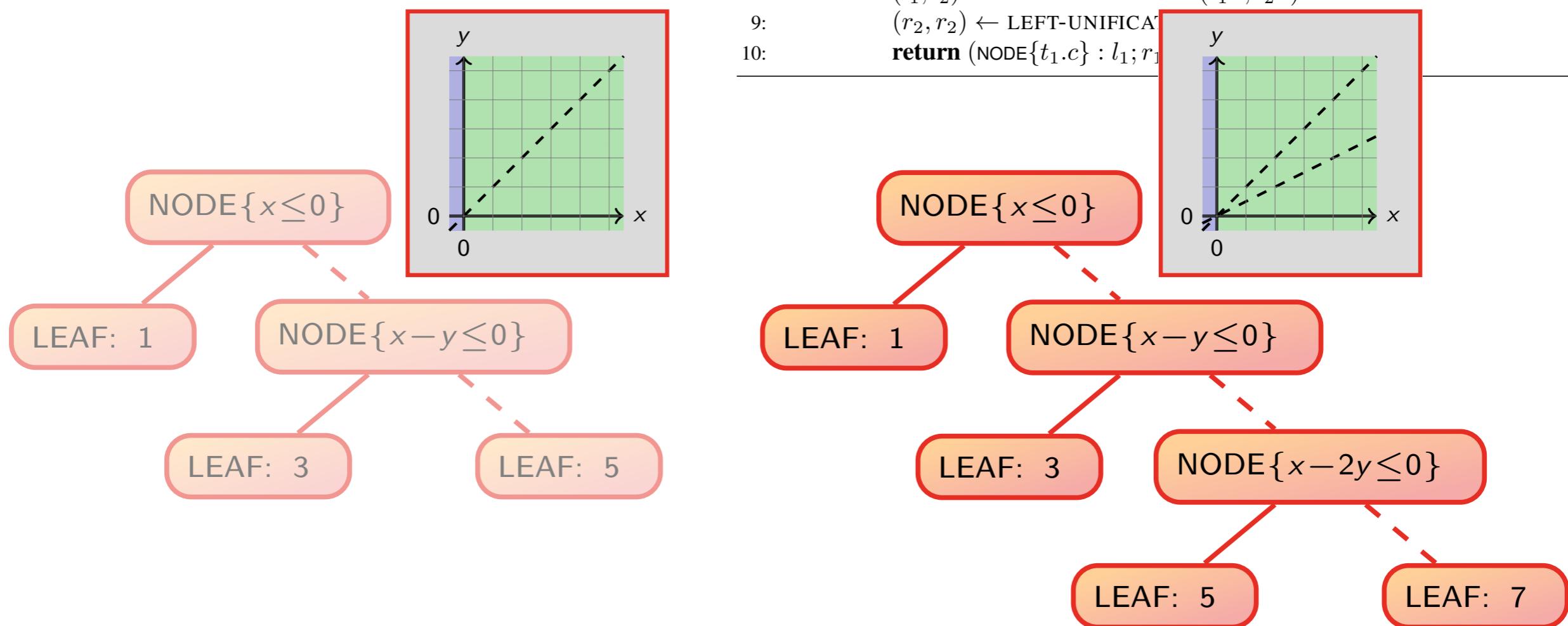
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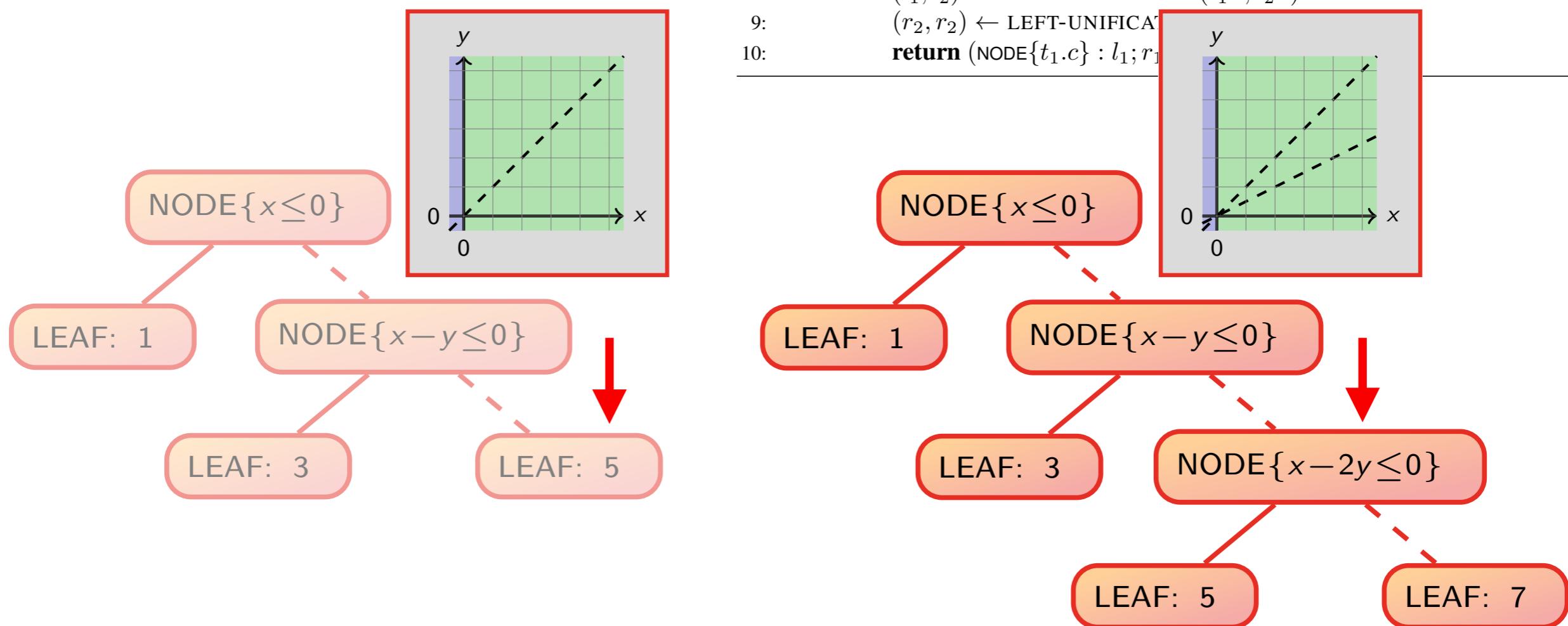
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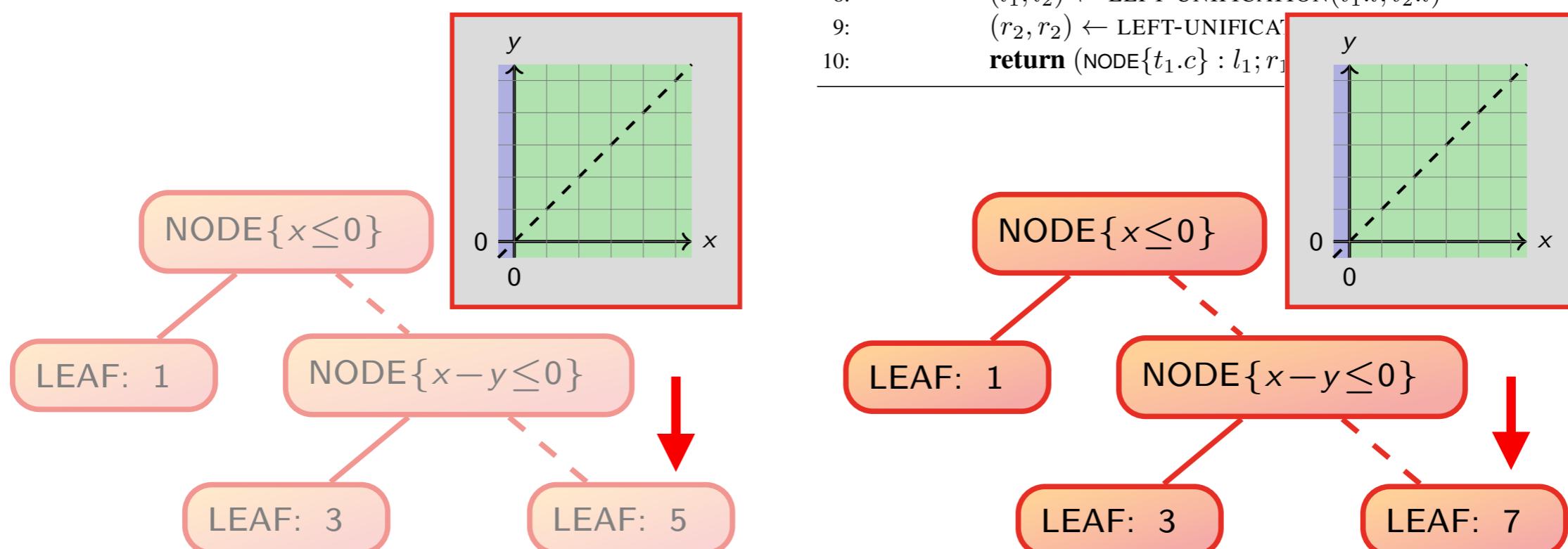
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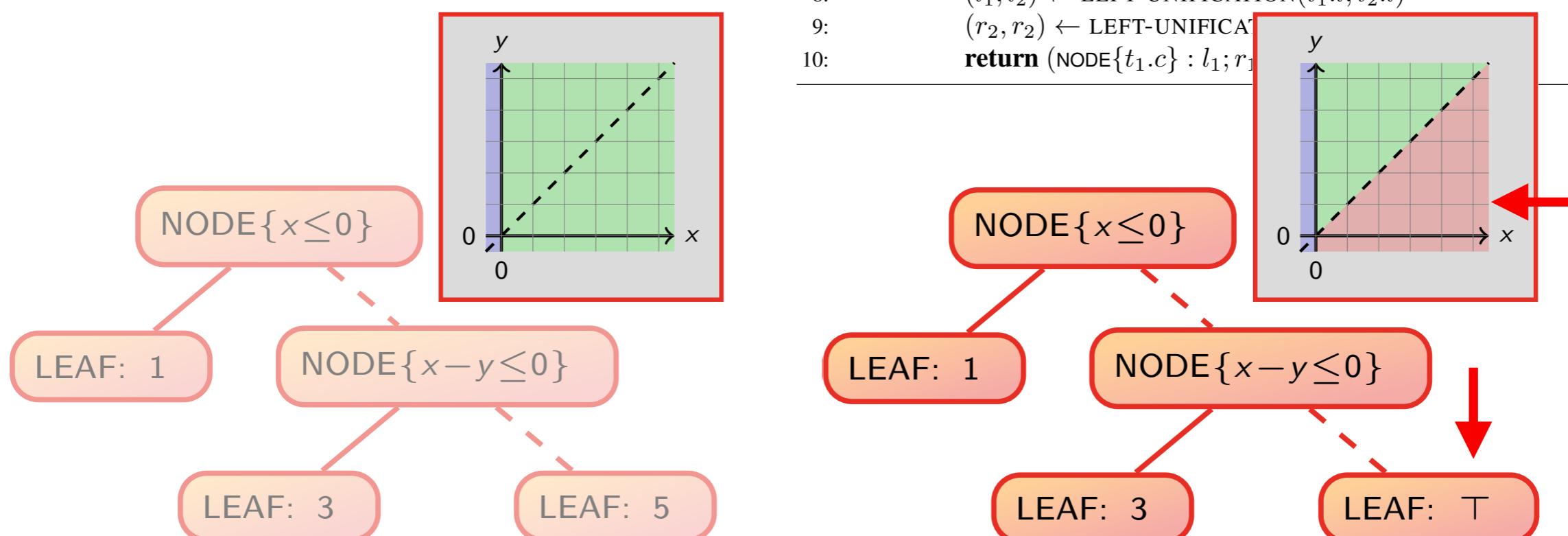
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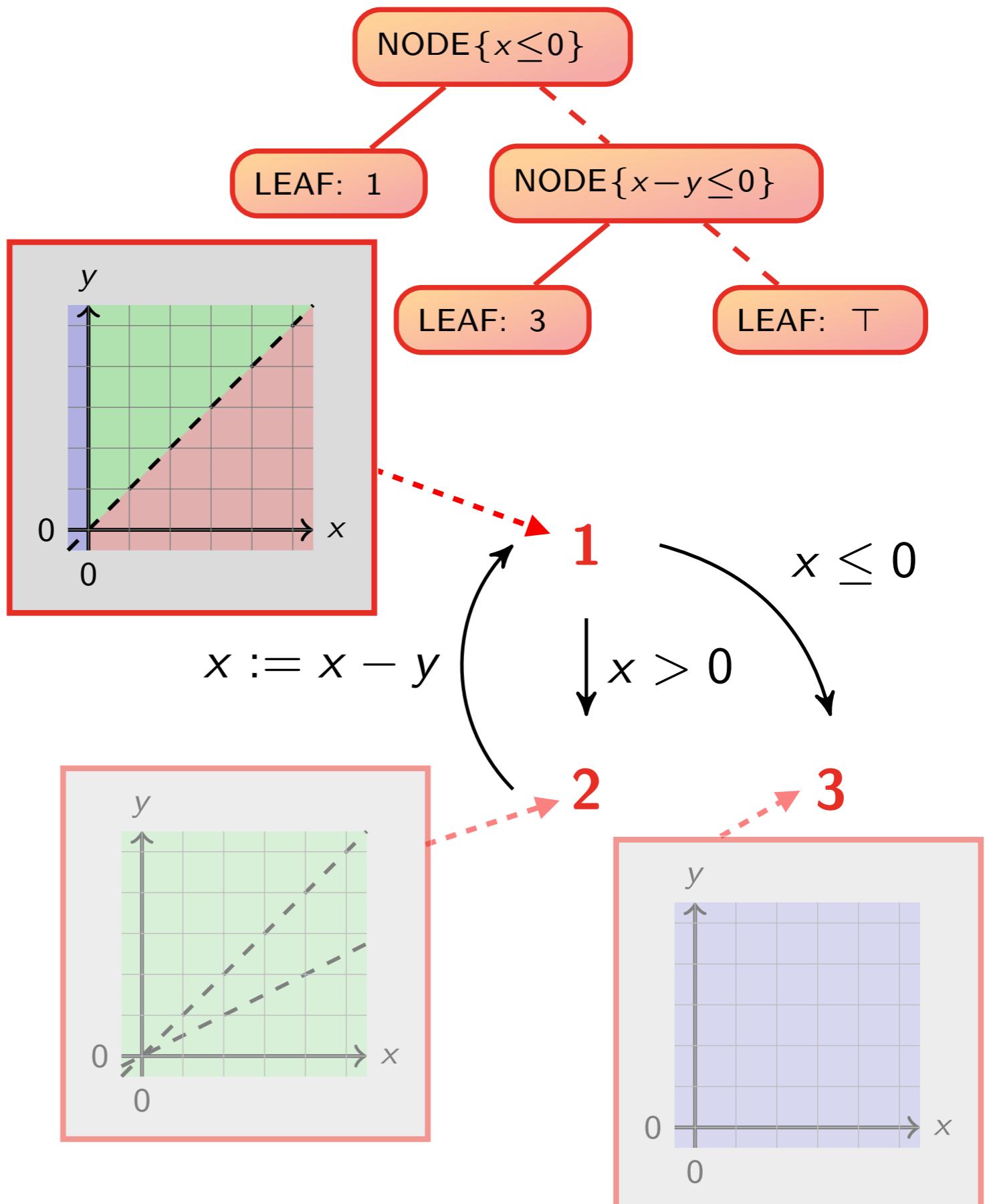
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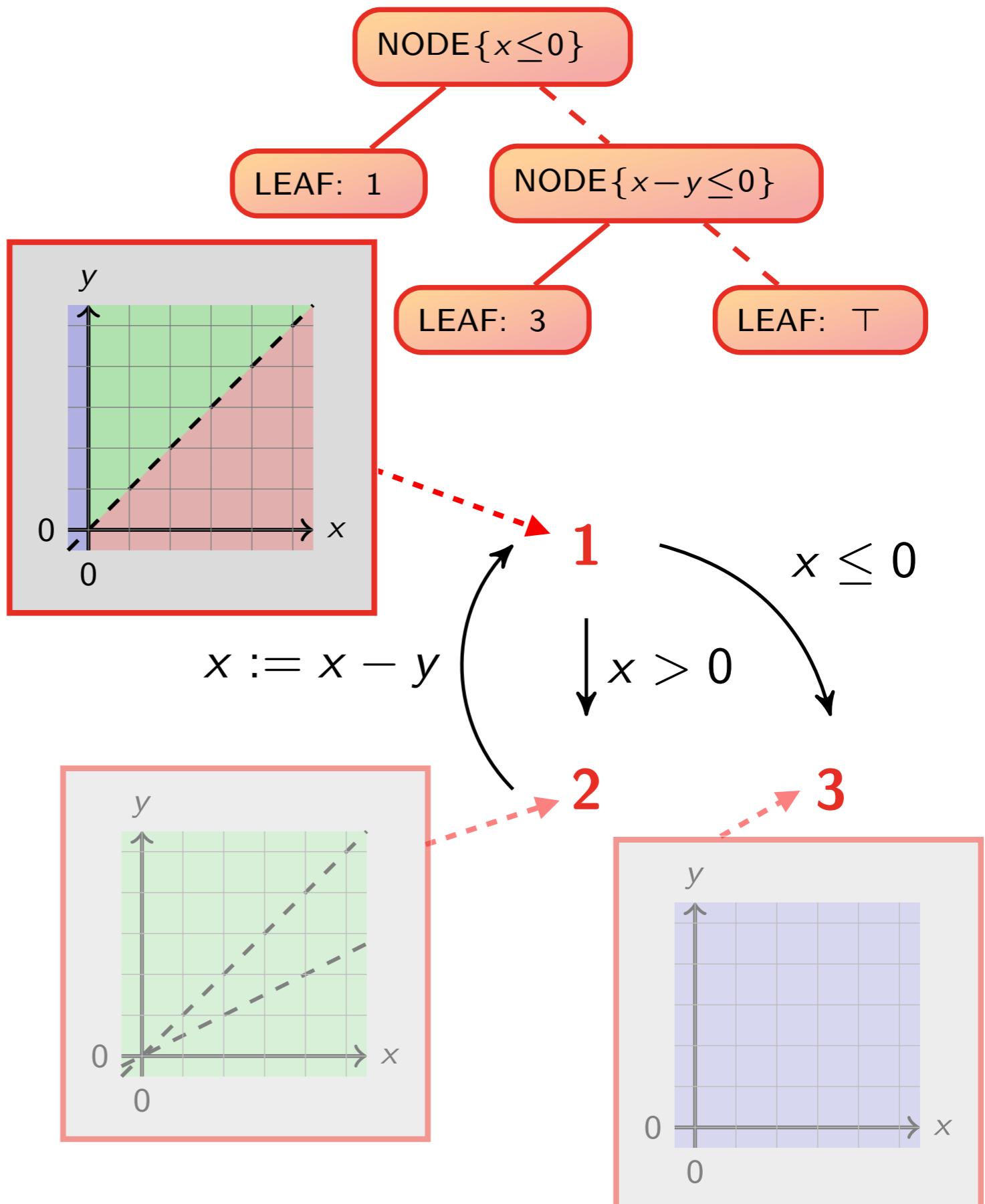
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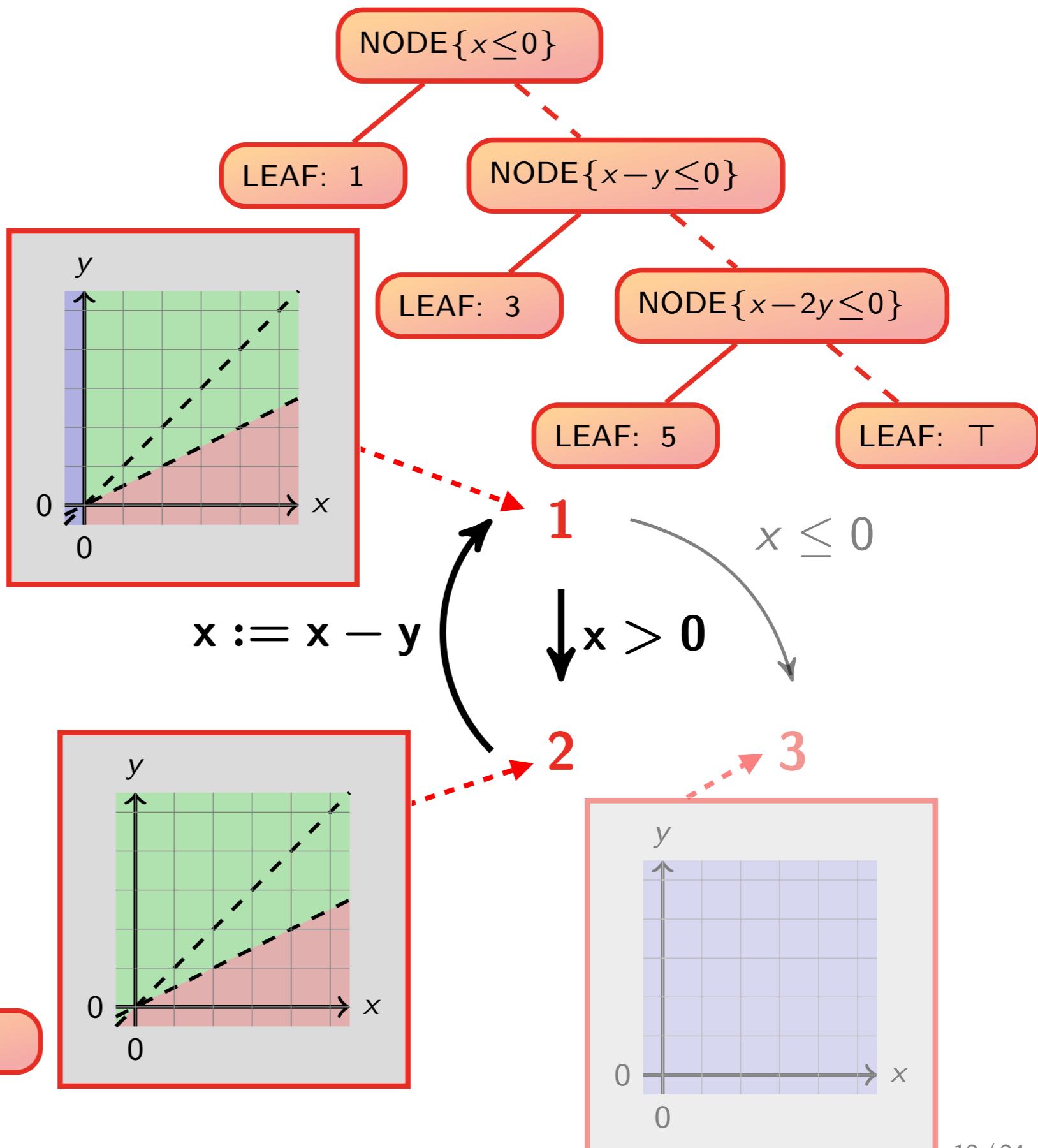
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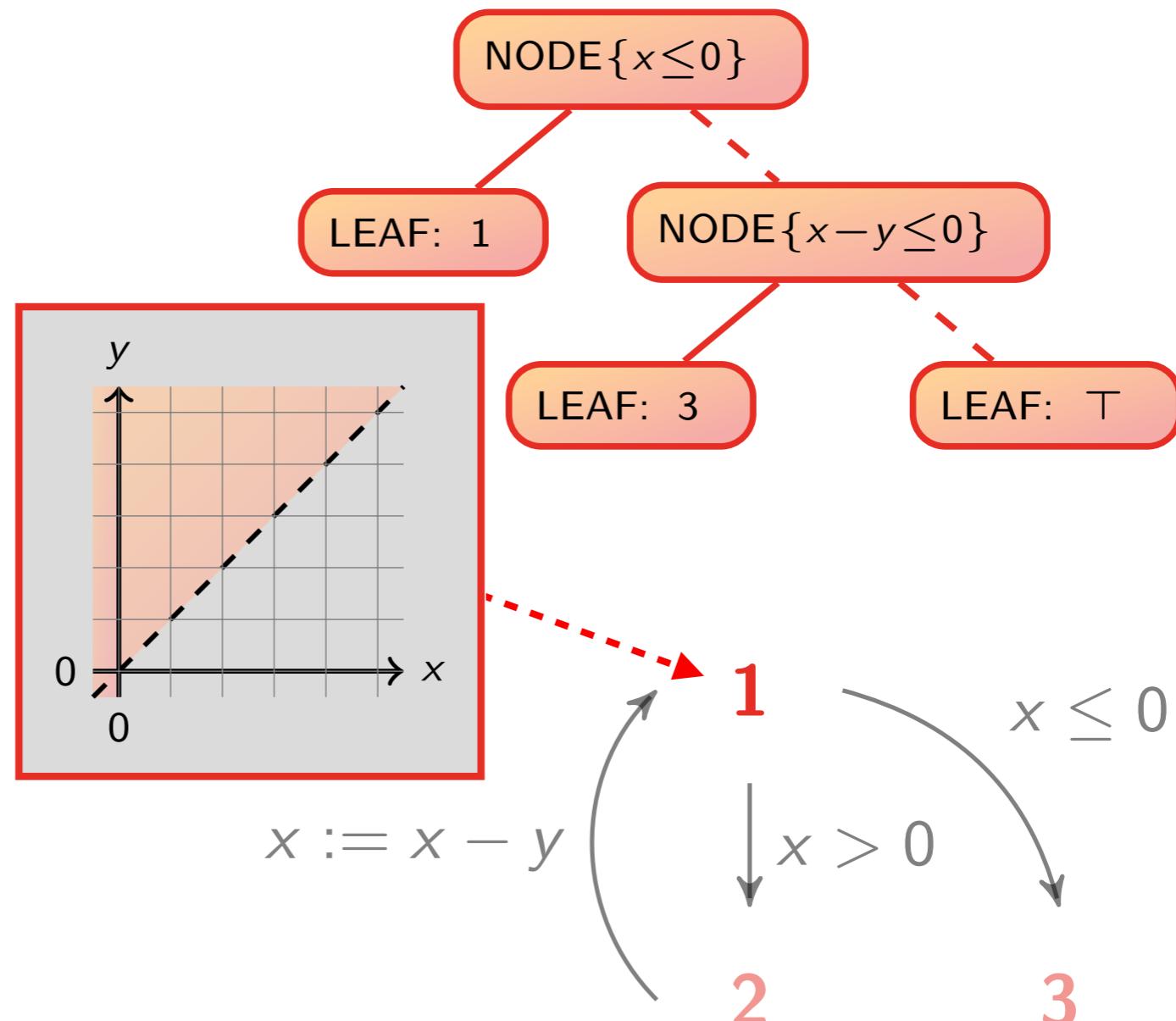
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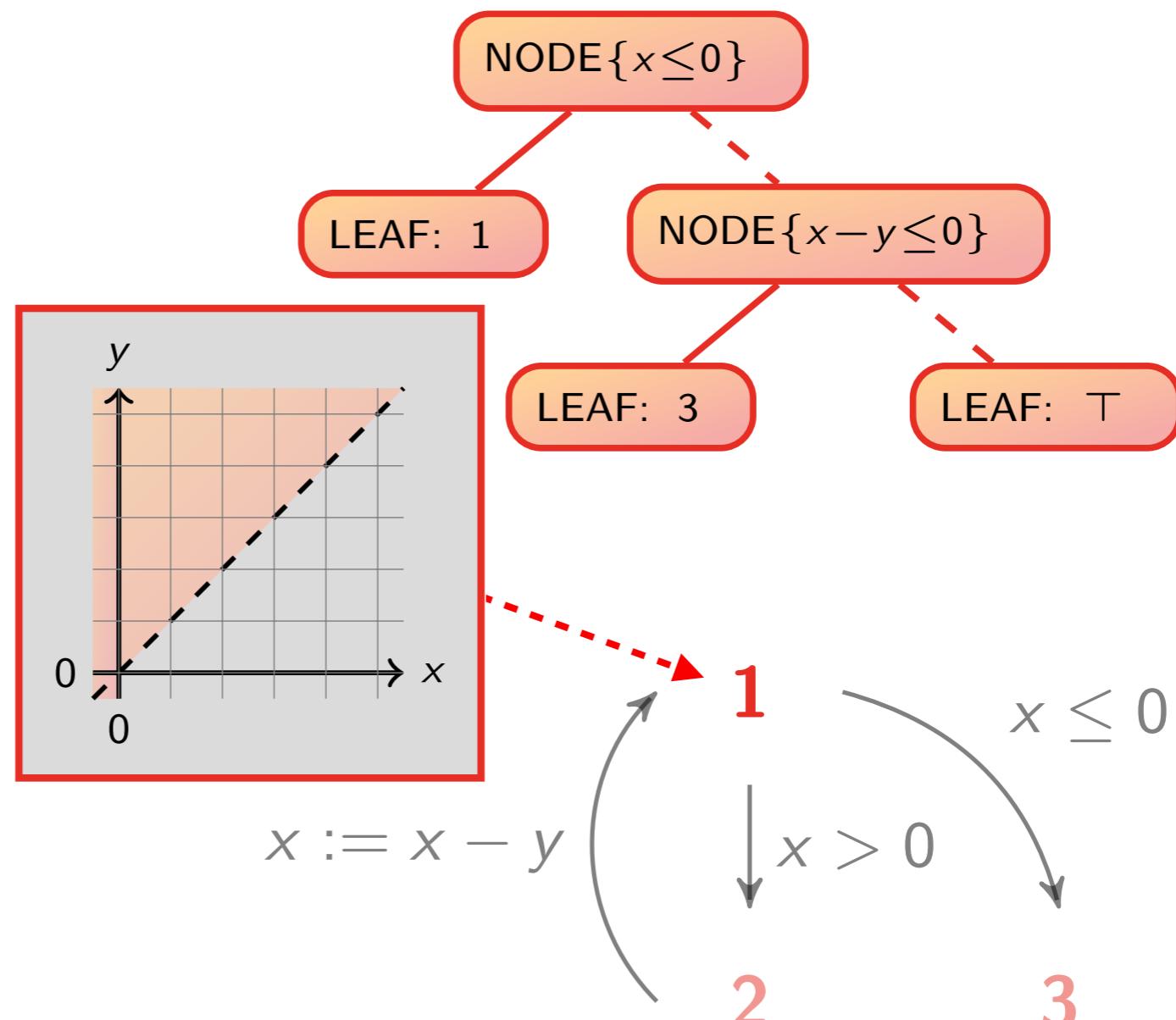


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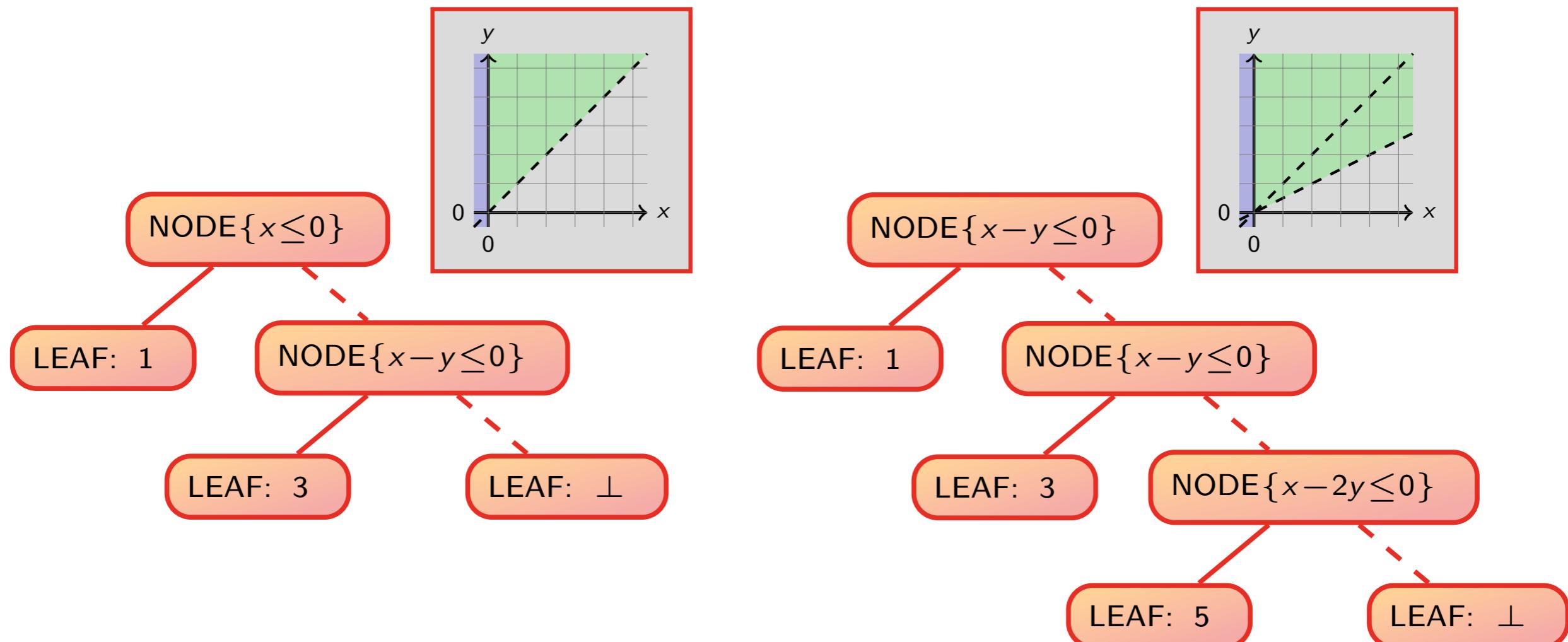
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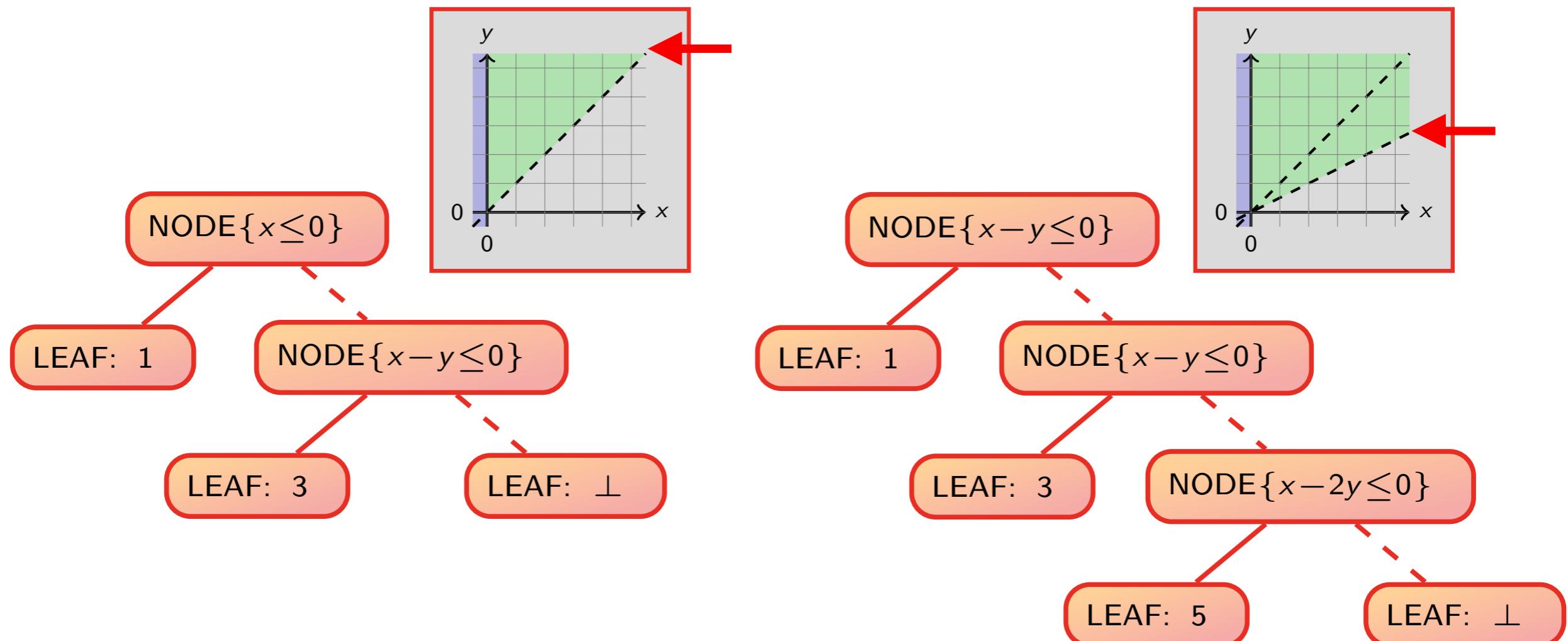
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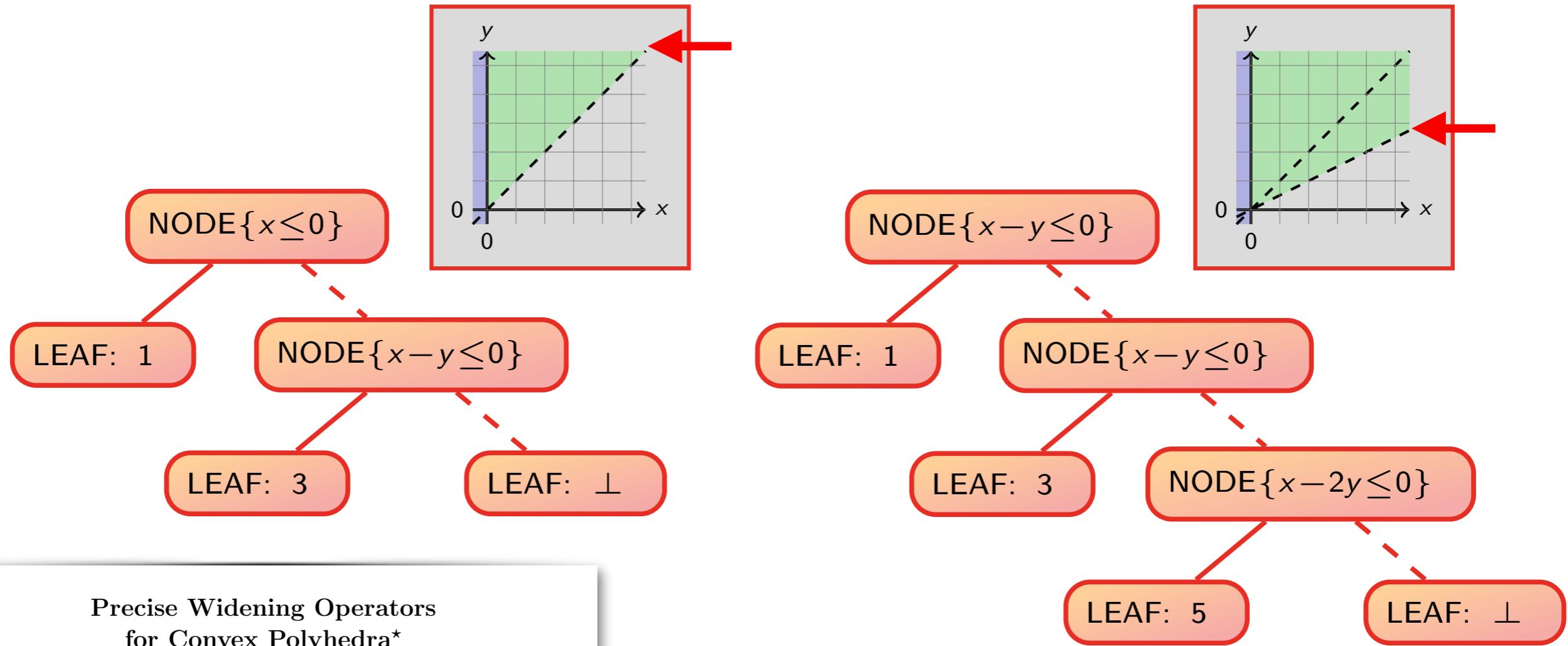
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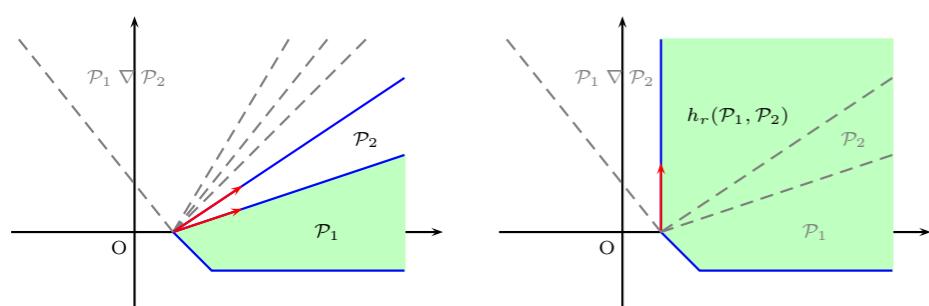
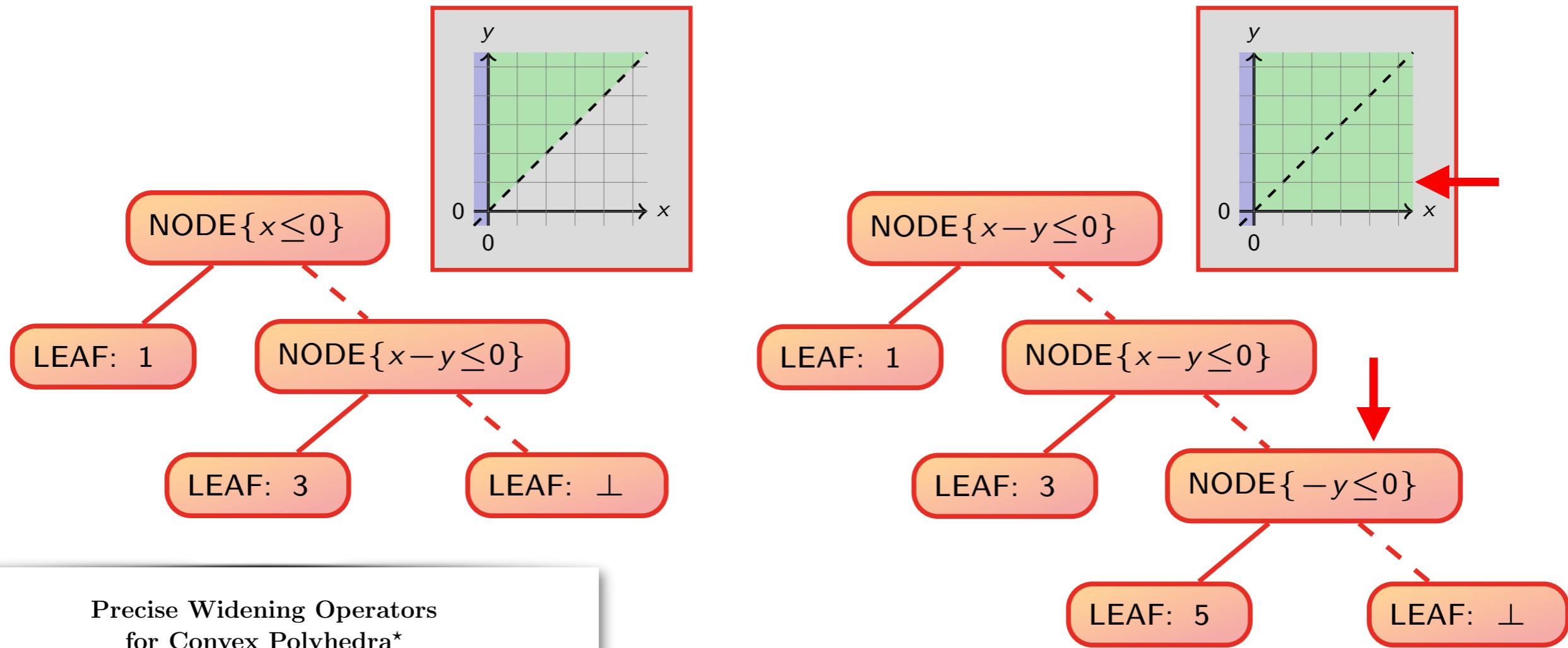


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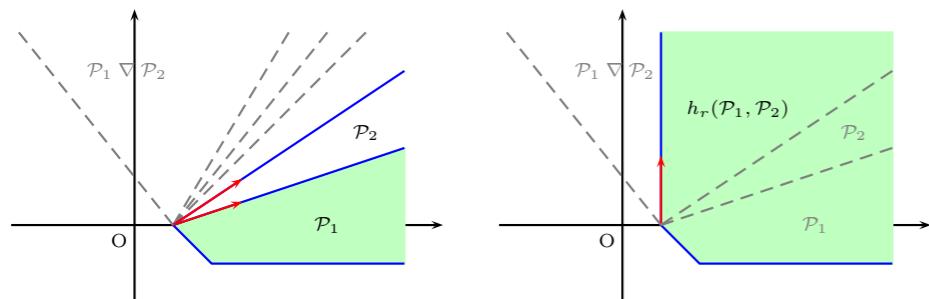
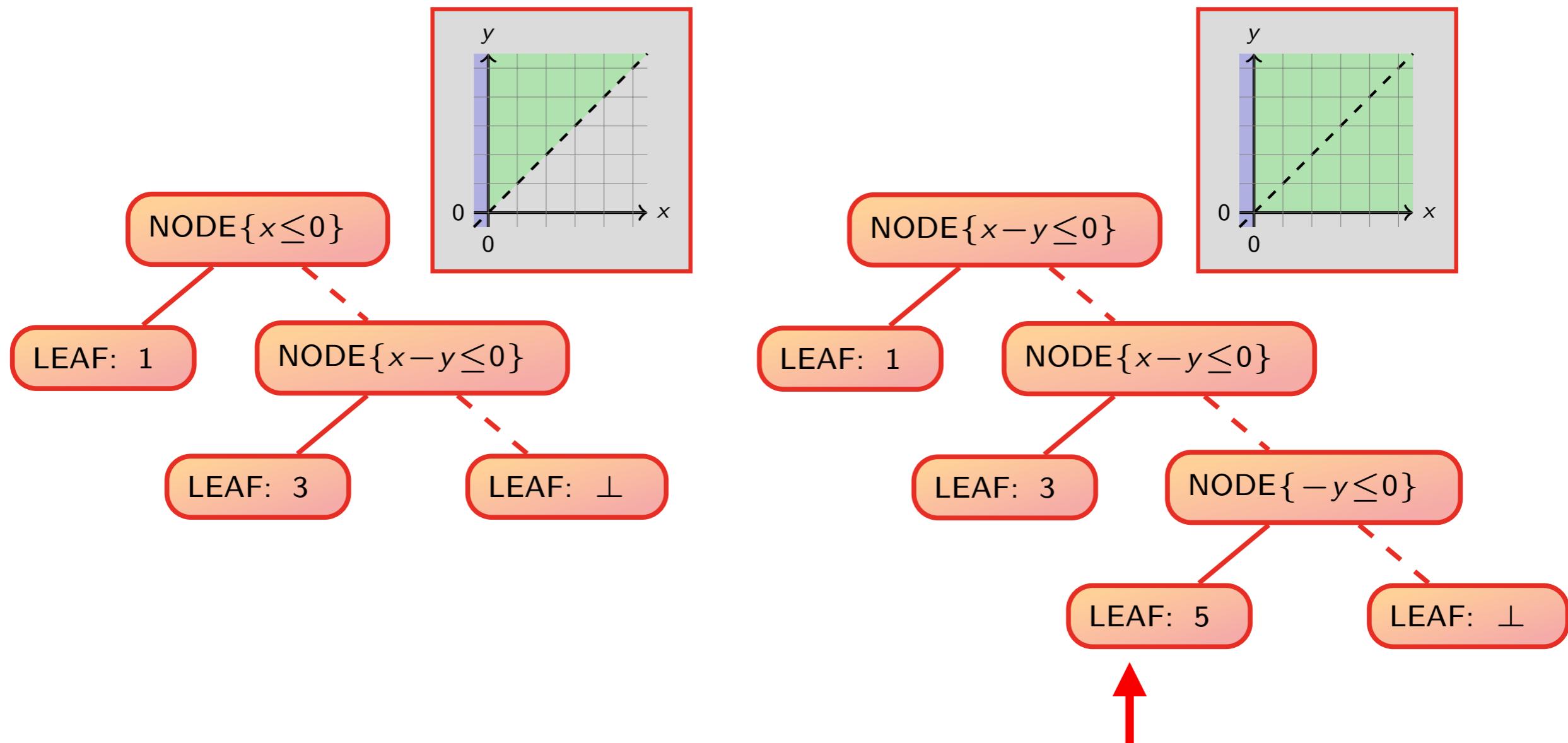
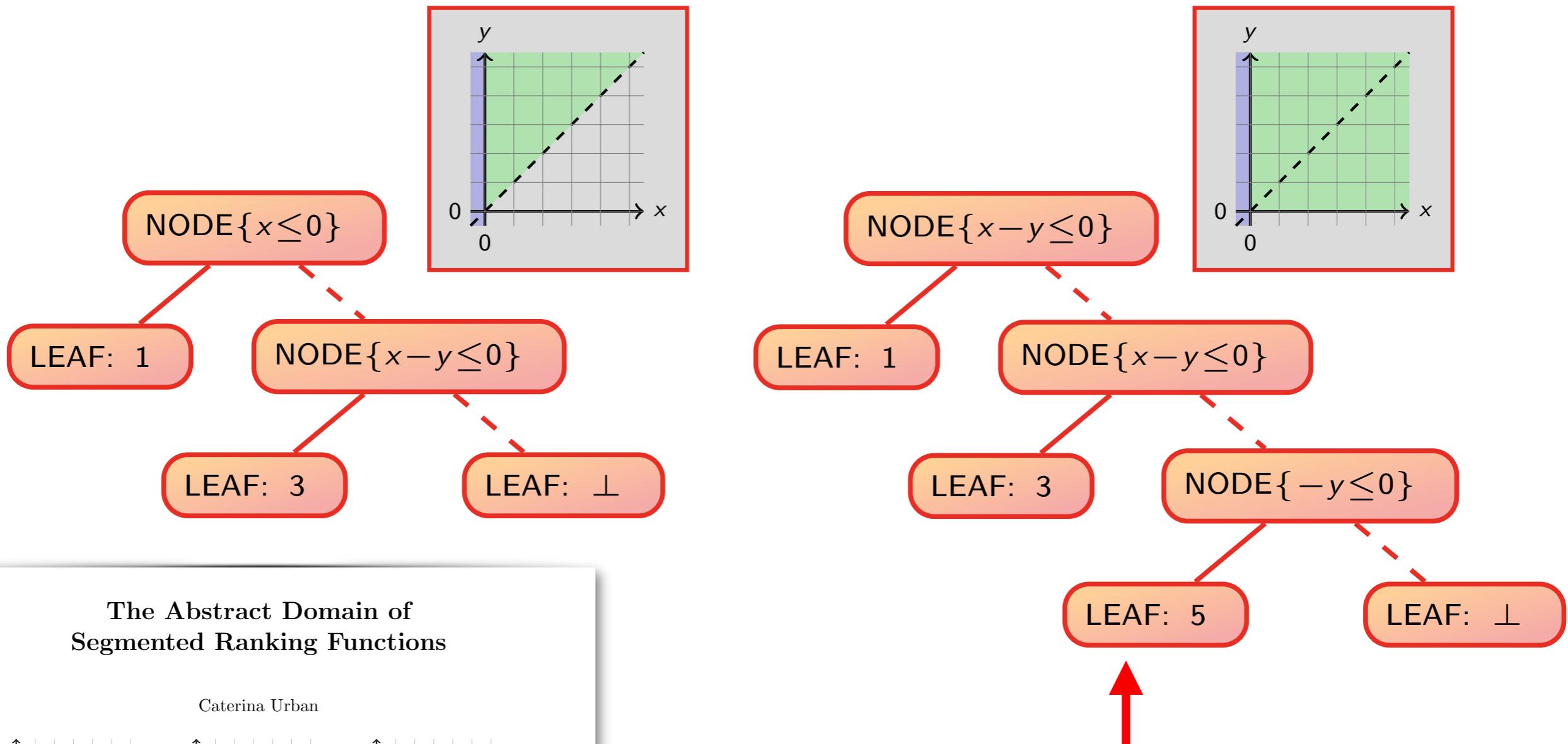


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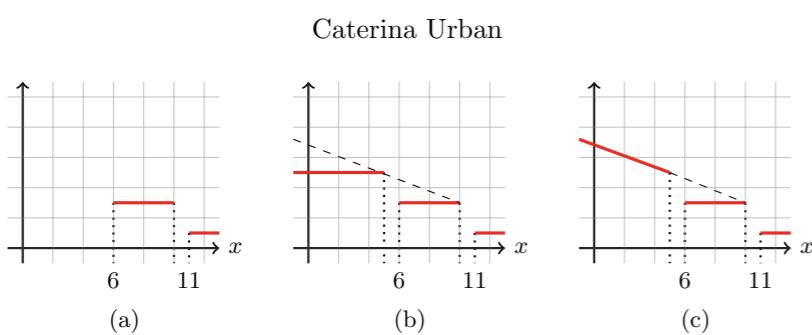


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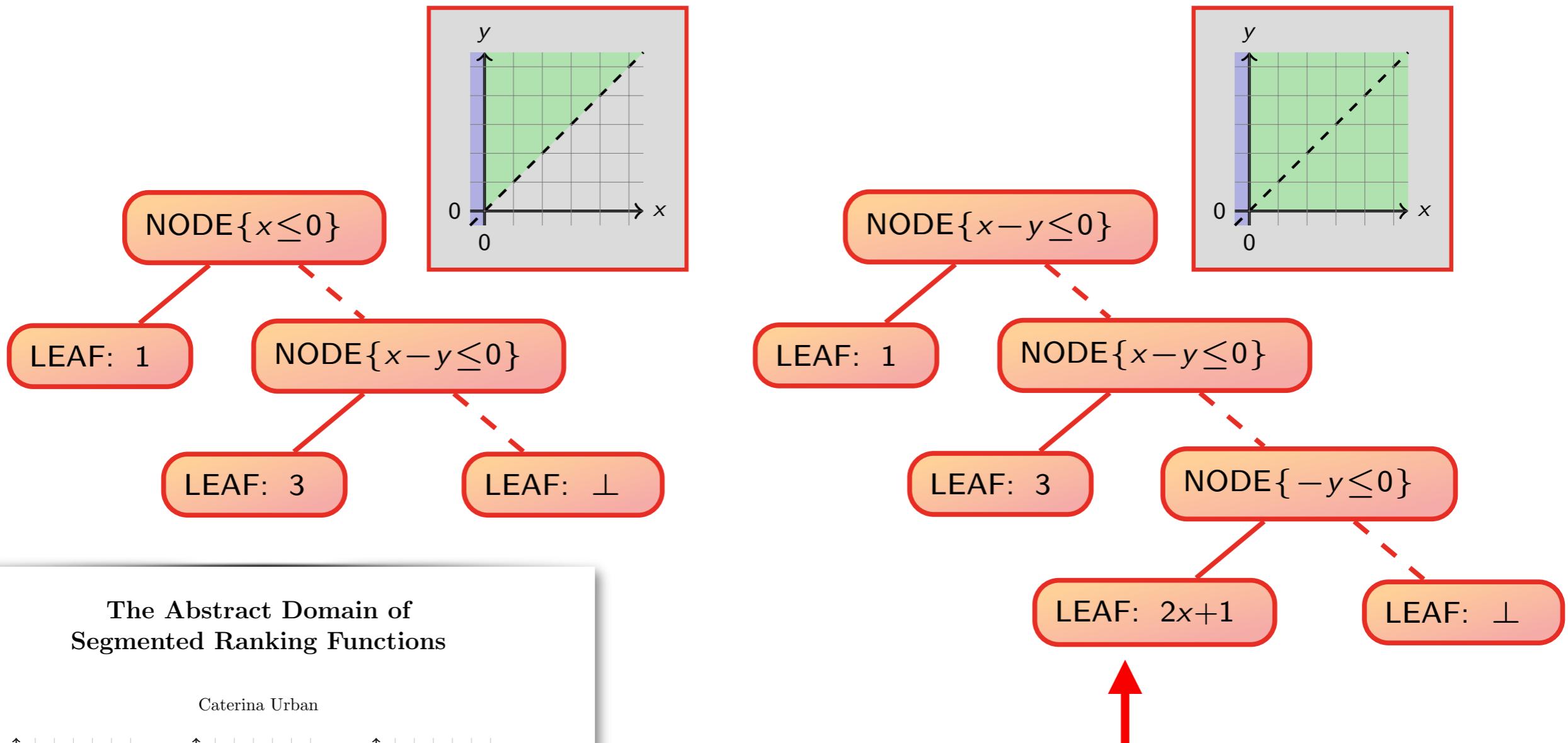
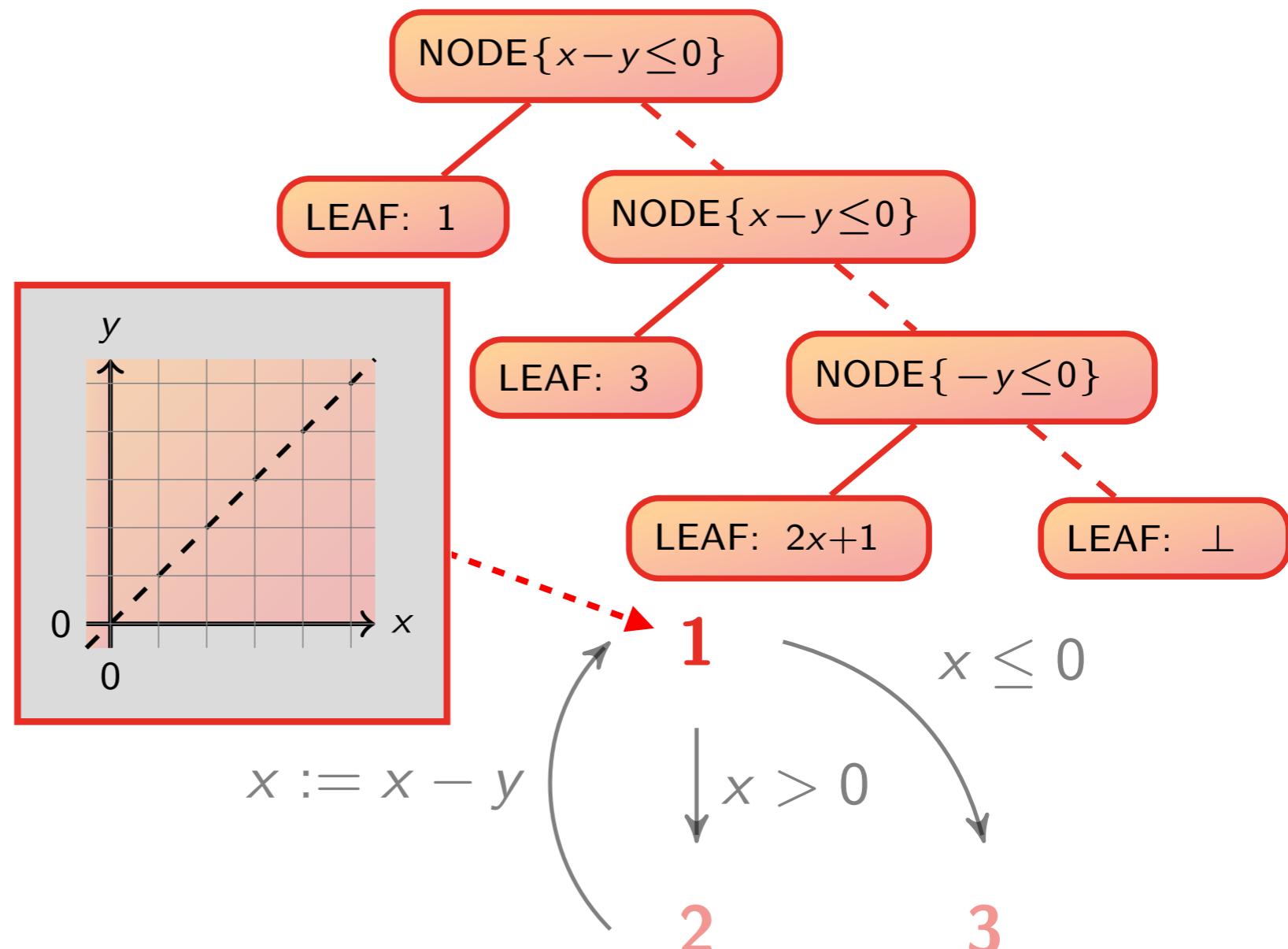


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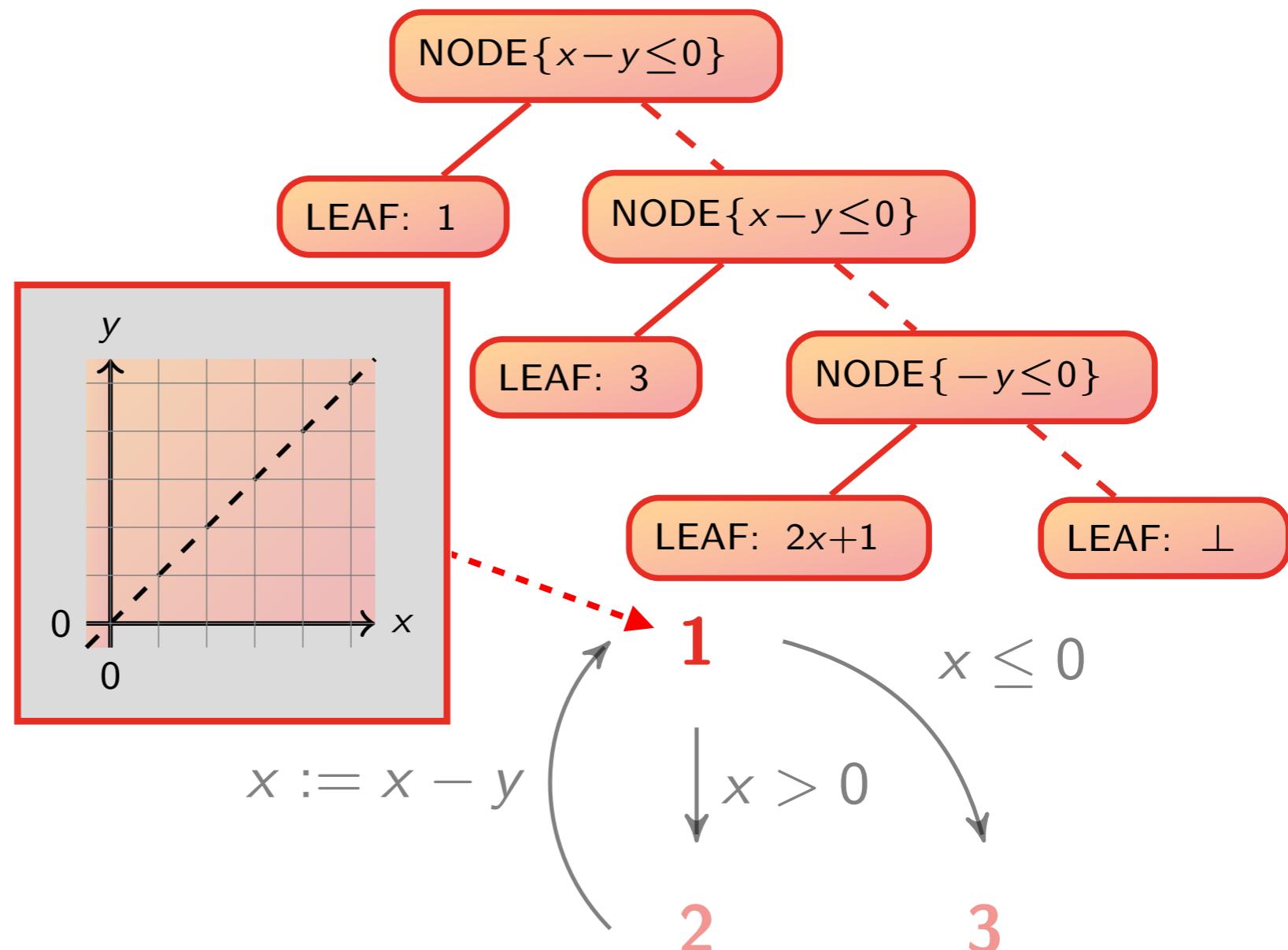


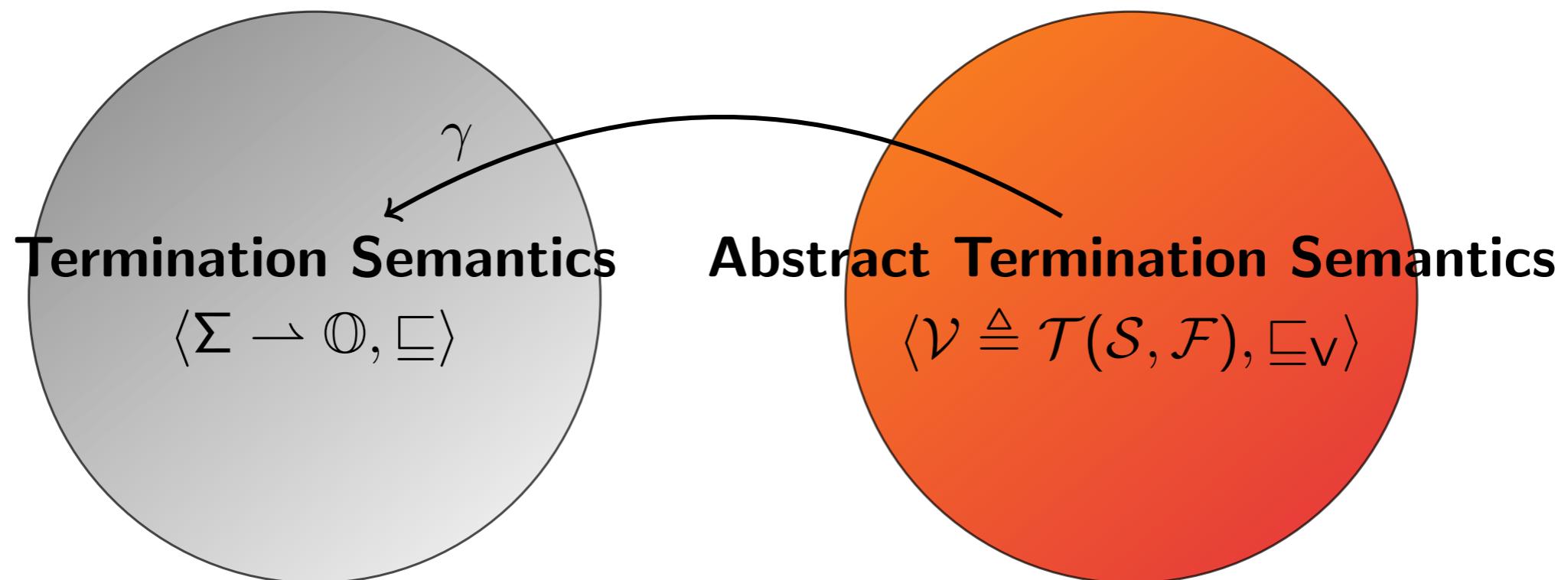
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*the abstract termination semantics is **sound**  
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Welcome to FuncTion's web interface!

Type your program:

or choose a predefined example:

and choose an entry point:

Forward option(s):

- Widening delay:

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# Experiments

**Benchmark:** 87 terminating C programs collected from the literature

## Tools:

- FuncTion
- AProVE
- T2
- Ultimate Büchi Automizer

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