

Closed and logical relations for over- and under-approximation of powersets

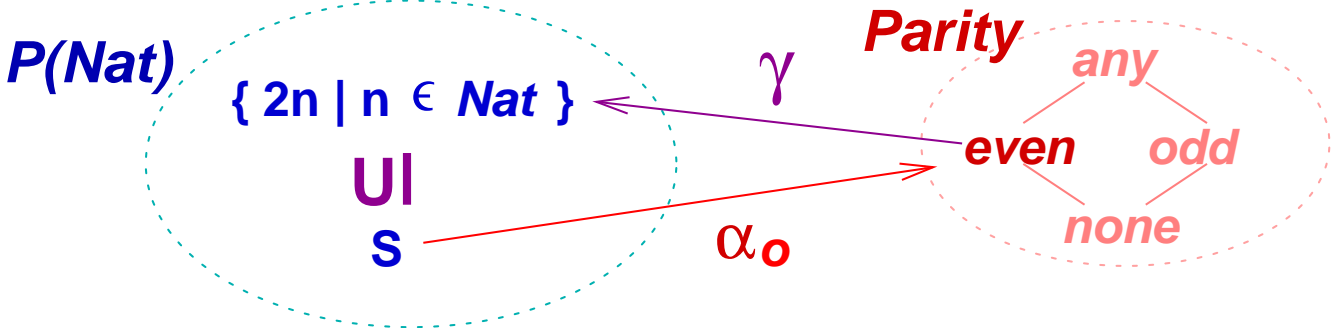
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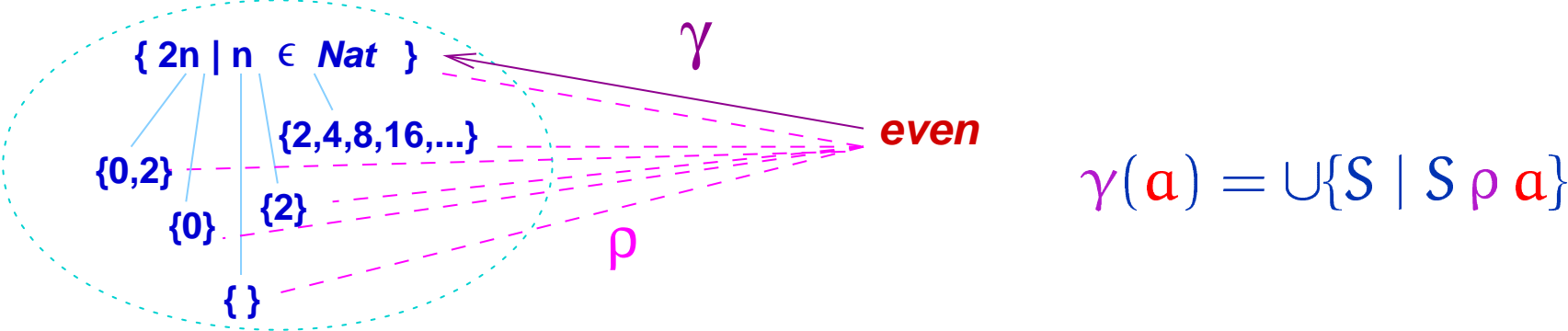
Background

Over-approximation states a property of a program's outputs



even ∈ *Parity* asserts “ \forall *even*” — all concrete outputs in set *S* are even-valued. (We might write $S \rho$ *even* or $S \models$ *even*.)

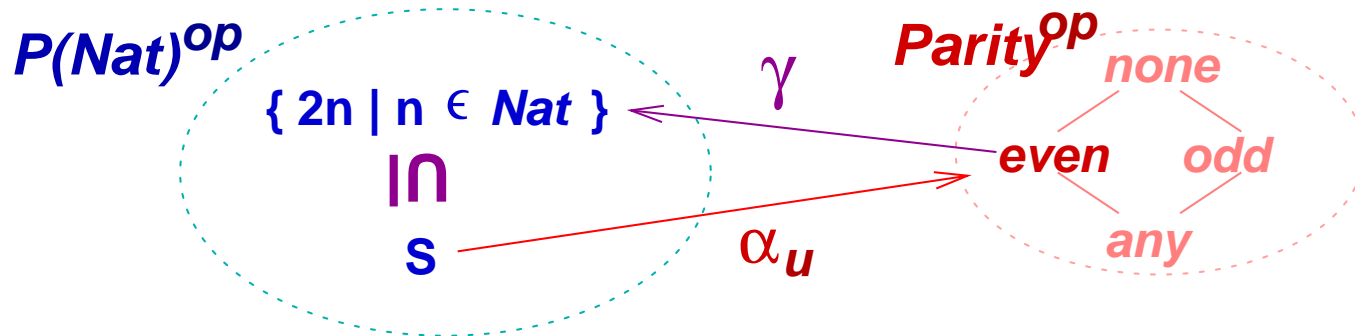
The upper adjoint, γ , selects the largest set approximated by *even*:



$$\gamma(a) = \cup\{S \mid S \rho a\}$$

Under-approximation *might be stated as the dual*

Here, *even* asserts that all evens are *included* in the concrete outputs:



This often abstracts constants to nothing, e.g., $\llbracket 2 \rrbracket_e^b = \text{none}$, where $\gamma(\text{none}) = \{\}$, because we require $\{2\} \supseteq \gamma(\alpha_u\{2\})$, forcing $\alpha_u\{2\} = \text{none}$.

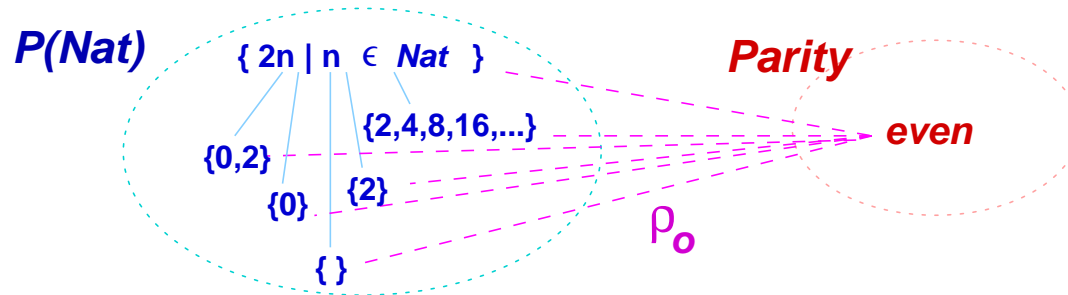
Thus, many program phrases are under-approximated to nothing:

$$\llbracket \mathbf{x} + 2 \rrbracket_e^b = \text{add}^b(\llbracket \mathbf{x} \rrbracket_e^b, \llbracket 2 \rrbracket_e^b) = \text{add}^b(e(\mathbf{x}), \text{none}) = \text{none}$$

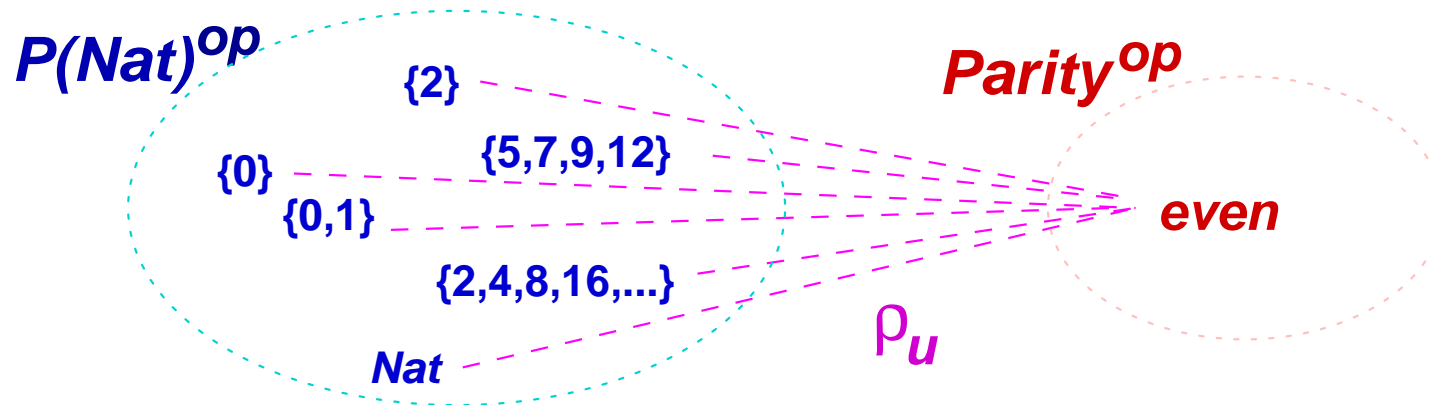
If we repair, say by including all constants, $n \in \text{Nat}$, in $\text{Parity}^{\text{op}}$, then to preserve $\gamma(\prod_{\text{Parity}^{\text{op}}} W) = \bigcup_{a \in W} \gamma(a)$, we must expand $\text{Parity}^{\text{op}}$ into $\mathcal{P}(\text{Nat})^{\text{op}}$!

Under-approximation as existential quantification

If the over-approximating $even \in Parity$ asserts “ $\forall even$,”

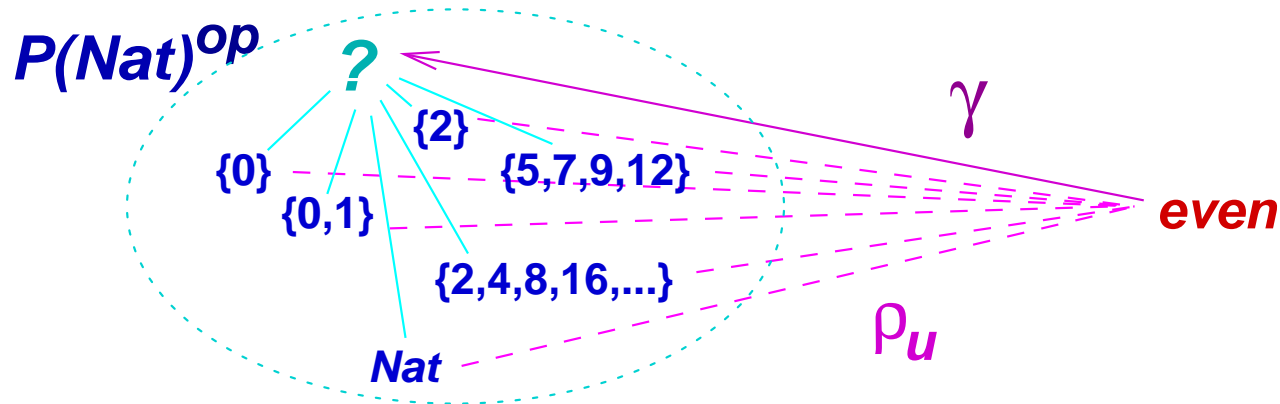


then the under-approximating $even \in Parity^{op}$ should assert “ $\exists even$ ” — there exists an even number in the program’s outputs:



This provides a nontrivial under-approximation of constants, e.g., $\llbracket 2 \rrbracket_e^b = even$, and expressions: $\llbracket x + 2 \rrbracket_e^b = add^b(e(x), even) = e(x)$.

But we cannot define $\gamma : \text{Parity}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\text{Nat})^{\text{op}}$ in the usual way:



There is no best, minimal set that contains an even number.

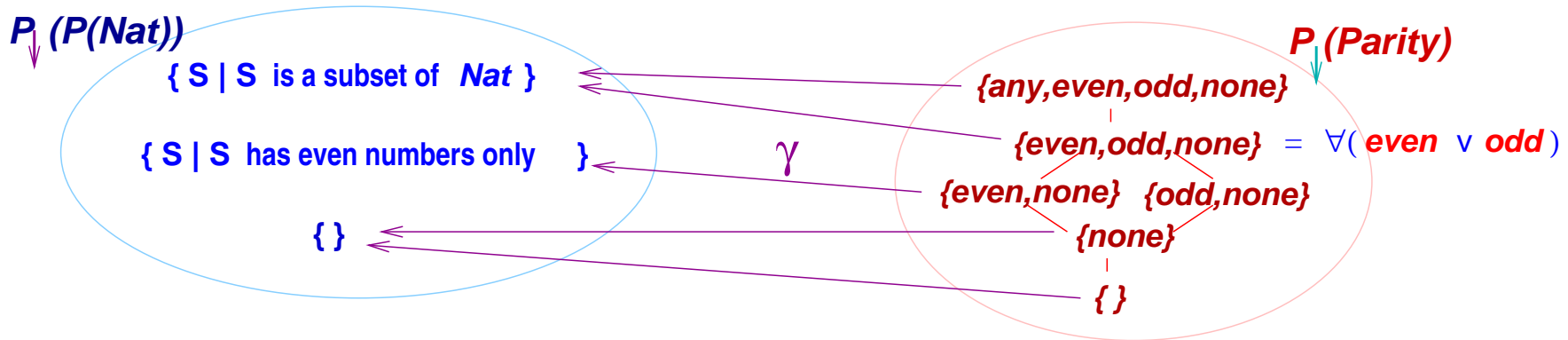
Indeed, **even**'s concretization is not a single set — it is a *set of sets*:

$$\gamma(\text{even}) = \{S \in \mathcal{P}(\text{Nat})^{\text{op}} \mid S \rho_u \text{even}\}$$

This suggests that we work with *power-domains* in both the concrete and abstract domains.

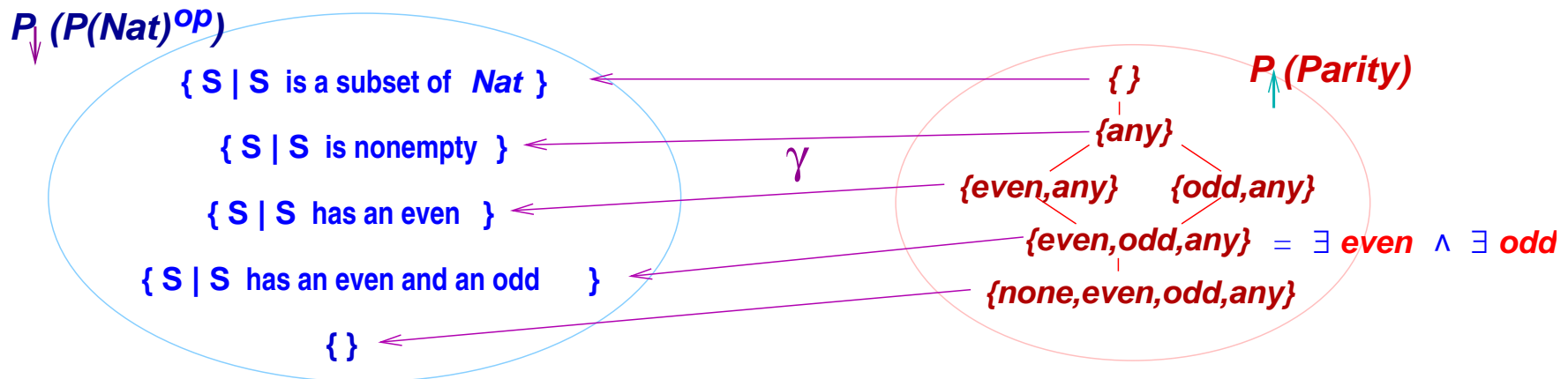
Universal (over-approximating) interpretation: $\{\text{even}, \text{odd}\}$

asserts $\forall\{\text{even}, \text{odd}\} \equiv \forall(\text{even} \vee \text{odd})$ — all outputs are even- or odd-valued: Use a lower power-domain (lower sets) for the abstract domain.



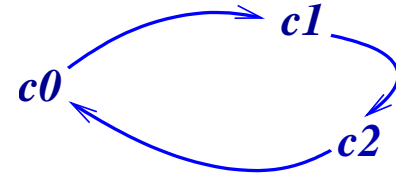
Existential (under-approximating) interpretation: $\{\text{even}, \text{odd}\}$

asserts $\exists\{\text{even}, \text{odd}\} \equiv \exists \text{even} \wedge \exists \text{odd}$ — there exists an even-valued and an odd-valued output: Use an upper power-domain (upper sets).



Dennis Dams's mixed transition systems employ the universal and existential abstractions

A transition system: $\Sigma = \{c_0, c_1, c_2\}$
 $R = \{(c_0, c_1), (c_1, c_2), (c_2, c_0)\}$



Approximating the states: Note: \perp and \top omitted for brevity.

$$\alpha\{c_0\} = a_0, \quad \alpha\{c_1\} = a_{12} = \alpha\{c_2\} = \alpha\{c_1, c_2\}$$

That is, $c_0 \rho a_0$, $c_1 \rho a_{12}$, and $c_2 \rho a_{12}$.

Over-approximation transitions (“may”):

$$R^\# = \{(a_0, a_{12}), (a_{12}, a_{12}), (a_{12}, a_0)\} \quad a_0 \overset{\text{---}}{\leq} a_{12} \overset{\text{---}}{\geq} a_{12}$$

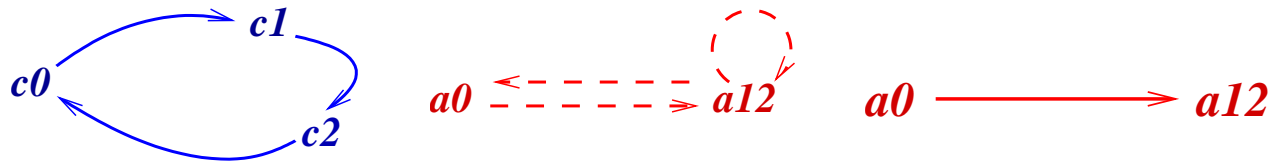
As a function, $R^\#(a_0) = \{a_{12}\} \equiv \forall a_{12}$ and $R^\#(a_{12}) = \{a_0, a_{12}\} \equiv \forall(a_0 \vee a_{12})$.

Under-approximation transitions (“must”):

$$R^b = \{(a_0, a_{12})\} \quad a_0 \longrightarrow a_{12}$$

As a function, $R^b(a_0) = \{a_{12}\} \equiv \exists a_{12}$ and $R^b(a_{12}) = \{\} \equiv \exists() \equiv \perp$

The *mixed transition system* is $(\{a_0, a_{12}\}, R^b, R^\#)$.



From Galois connection, $\mathcal{P}(C) \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle A$, Dams defines this *simulation relation*: $c \rho a$ iff $c \in \gamma(a)$. From $R \subseteq C \times C$, he defines

$$a R^\# a' \text{ iff } a' \in \{\alpha(Y) \mid Y \in \min\{S' \mid R^{\exists\exists}(\gamma(a), S')\}\}$$

$$a R^b a' \text{ iff } a' \in \{\alpha(Y) \mid Y \in \min\{S' \mid R^{\forall\exists}(\gamma(a), S')\}\}$$

and he proves $R \triangleleft_\rho R^\#$, that is, $R^\#$ ρ -simulates R

$$R^b \triangleleft_{\rho^{-1}} R, \text{ that is, } R^b \text{ is } \rho\text{-simulated by } R$$

This gives him **soundness** for \square ($\forall R$) and \diamond ($\exists R$):

Define $a \models \square\phi$ iff for all a' , $a R^\# a'$ implies $a' \models \phi$

$a \models \diamond\phi$ iff there exists a' such that $a R^b a'$ and $a' \models \phi$

Then, $a \models \phi$ and $c \rho a$ imply $c \models \phi$.

And with lots of hard work, he proves **best precision**: For all ρ -, ρ^{-1} -simulations of R , $R^\#$ and R^b preserve the *most* \square / \diamond -properties.

Can we derive R^\sharp and R^b and prove **soundness and precision** directly from Galois-connection theory?

Yes — we treat $R \subseteq C \times C$ as $R : C \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(C)$.

Then, we have $R^\sharp : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_L(A)$, where $\mathcal{P}_L(\cdot)$ is a **lower powerset** (\subseteq) constructor.

We “lift” the Galois connection, $\mathcal{P}(C) \langle \alpha_\tau, \gamma_\tau \rangle A$, on the states to a Galois connection on powersets, $F[\mathcal{P}(C)] \langle \alpha_{F[\tau]}, \gamma_{F[\tau]} \rangle \mathcal{P}_L(A)$, so that

- 1.** R^\sharp ρ -*simulates* R iff $\text{ext}_{F[\tau]}(R) \circ \gamma_\tau \subseteq_{A \rightarrow F[\mathcal{P}(C)]} \gamma_{F[\tau]} \circ R^\sharp$
- 2.** the soundness of $a \models \Box\phi$ follows from **Item 1**
- 3.** $R^\sharp_{\text{best}} = \alpha_{F[\tau]} \circ \text{ext}_{F[\tau]}(R) \circ \gamma_\tau$

We do similar work for $R^b_{\text{best}} : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_U(A)$ and $\Diamond\phi$, where $\mathcal{P}_U(\cdot)$ is an **upper** (\supseteq -ordered) **powerset** constructor.

For over-approximation, we can use $F = \text{id}$ or $F = \mathcal{P}_L(\cdot)$; for under-approximation, we must use $F = \mathcal{P}_L(\cdot^{\text{op}})$. (We will see why....)

Our results from reworking Dams's constructions

1. Starting from approximation relations, $\rho \subseteq C \times A$, we generate Galois connections from *U-GLB-L-LUB-closed* relations cf. [*Mycroft-Jones 86, Cousot-Cousot JLC 92*].
2. We define *lower and upper powerset constructions*, weaker forms of powerdomain but strong enough for abstraction studies. They are the *join completions* of [*Cousot-Cousot ICCL 94*].
3. We use powerset types in a family of *logical relations*, show how the family preserves the closure properties in 1., and prove that a simulation proof is an instance of proof via logical relations. We obtain Dams's most-precise simulation results “for free.”
4. We extract *validation and refutation logics* from the logical relations, state their resemblance to Hennessy-Milner logic (and description logic), and obtain easy proofs of soundness.

Closed approximation relations

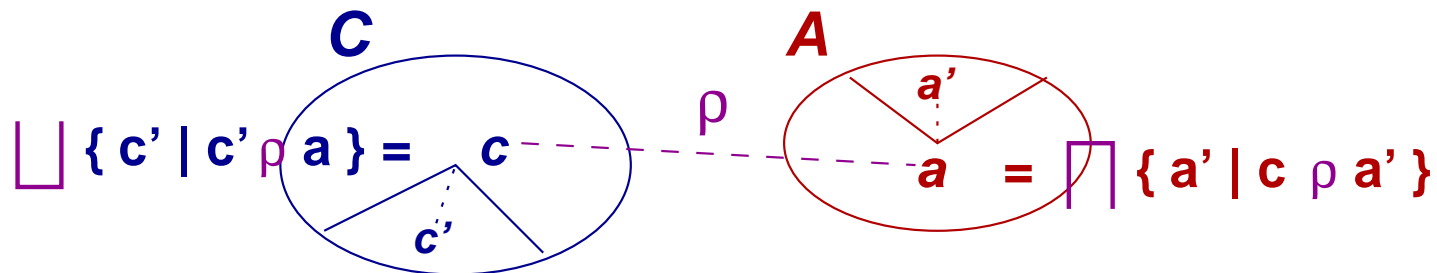
Closed relations and Galois connections

Let C and A be complete lattices, and let $\rho \subseteq C \times A$.

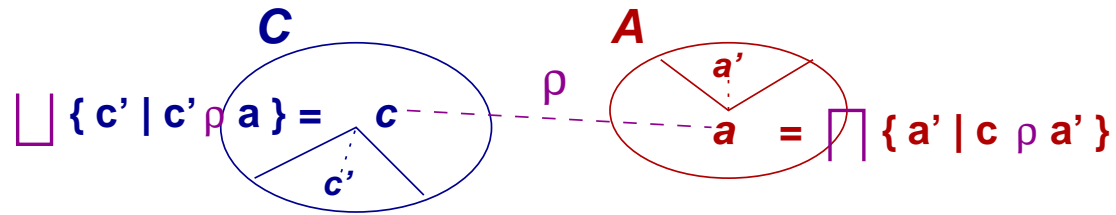
$c \rho a$ means that c is modelled/approximated by a

Definition: For all $c, c' \in C$, $a, a' \in A$, for $\rho \subseteq C \times A$, ρ is

1. *U-closed* iff $c \rho a, a \sqsubseteq a' \implies c \rho a'$
2. *GLB-closed* iff $c \rho \sqcap \{a \mid c \rho a\}$
3. *L-closed* iff $c \rho a, c' \sqsubseteq c \implies c' \rho a$
4. *LUB-closed* iff $\sqcup \{c \mid c \rho a\} \rho a$



Origins: Hartmanis and Stearns 1964 (pair algebras); Mycroft-Jones 1986 (LU-closure); Cousot-Cousot JLC 1992; Backhouse-Backhouse 1998



Proposition: For L-LUB-U-GLB-closed $\rho \subseteq C \times A$, $C \langle \alpha_\rho, \gamma_\rho \rangle A$ is a Galois connection, where

◆ $\alpha_\rho(c) = \sqcap \{a \mid c \rho a\}$

◆ $\gamma_\rho(a) = \sqcup \{c \mid c \rho a\}$

Intuition: U-closed makes γ_ρ mono; L-closed makes α_ρ mono; GLB-closed ensures α_ρ selects the most precise sound answer; LUB-closed ensures γ_ρ selects the most general sound answer.

Note that $c \rho a$ iff $c \sqsubseteq_C \gamma_\rho a$ iff $\alpha_\rho c \sqsubseteq_A a$.

Proposition: For Galois connection, $C \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle A$, define

$\rho_{\alpha\gamma} \subseteq C \times A$ as $\{(c, a) \mid \alpha c \sqsubseteq a\}$. Then,

$\rho_{\alpha\gamma}$ is L-LUB-U-GLB-closed and $\langle \alpha_{\rho_{\alpha\gamma}}, \gamma_{\rho_{\alpha\gamma}} \rangle = \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle$.

“Completing” U-GLB-closed $\rho \subseteq C \times A$ into a Galois connection between $\mathcal{P}(\overline{C})$ and A

Here is a standard technique: Let C be a (discretely ordered) set and let A be a complete lattice.

For $\rho \subseteq C \times A$, define $\bar{\rho} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(C) \times A$ as $S \bar{\rho} a$ iff for all $c \in S$, $c \rho a$.

Theorem: If ρ is U-GLB-closed, then $\bar{\rho}$ is L-LUB-U-GLB-closed, and $\mathcal{P}(C) \langle \alpha_{\bar{\rho}}, \gamma_{\bar{\rho}} \rangle A$ is a Galois connection, where $\gamma_{\bar{\rho}} a = \sqcup \{S \mid S \bar{\rho} a\} = \{c \mid c \rho a\}$.

Example: Let Int be the discretely ordered set of integers:

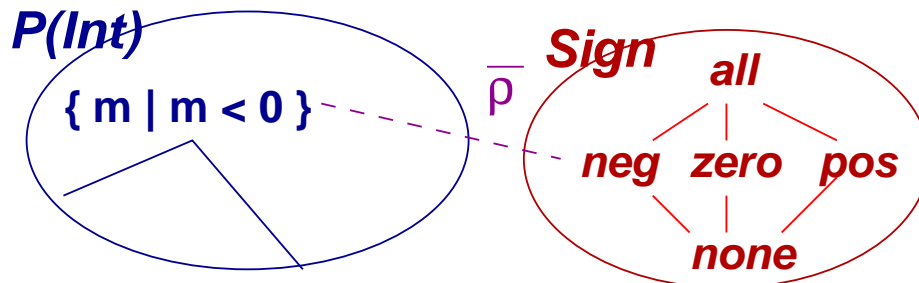
$\rho \subseteq \text{Int} \times \text{Sign}$

$-n \rho \text{neg}$

$0 \rho \text{zero}$

$+n \rho \text{pos}$

$n \rho \text{all}$



ρ is L-U-GLB-closed but not LUB-closed. It is completed to $\bar{\rho} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\text{Int}) \times \text{Sign}$.

Powersets

Lower powersets

D 's "powerset" is a complete lattice, E , with monotone *singleton* and *union* operations: $PD = (E, \sqsubseteq_E, \{\cdot\} : D \rightarrow E, \uplus : E \times E \rightarrow E)$.

Define *membership* as $c \tilde{\in} S$ iff $\{c\} \uplus S = S$.

A *lower powerset*, $\mathcal{P}_L(D)$, treats \sqsubseteq_E as \subseteq : For all $S_1, S_2 \in E$,

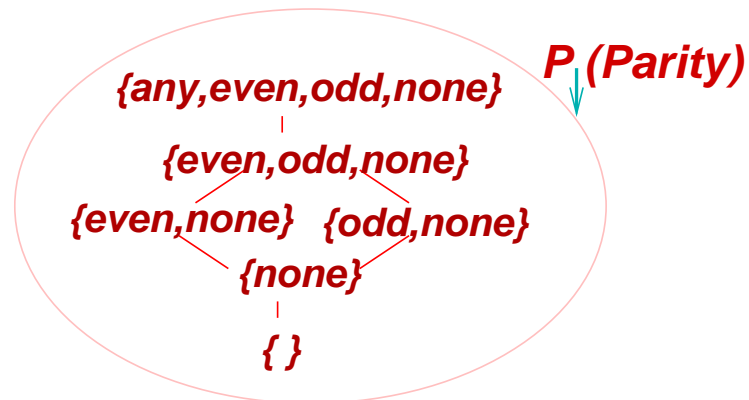
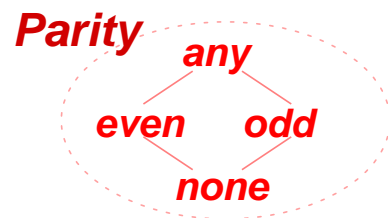
$S_1 \subseteq S_2$ iff (for all $x \tilde{\in} S_1$, there exists $y \tilde{\in} S_2$ such that $x \sqsubseteq_D y$)

Down-set (order-ideal) completion: For $d \in D$, $S \subseteq D$, define

$\downarrow d = \{e \in D \mid e \sqsubseteq_D d\}$ and $\downarrow S = \cup\{\downarrow d \mid d \in S\}$.

Define $\mathcal{P}_\downarrow(D) = (\{\downarrow S \mid S \subseteq D\}, \subseteq, \downarrow, \cup)$ —all down-closed subsets of D

Example:



Upper powersets

There is a dual construction:

An *upper powerset*, $\mathcal{P}_U(D)$, treats \sqsubseteq_E as \supseteq : For all $S_1, S_2 \in E$,

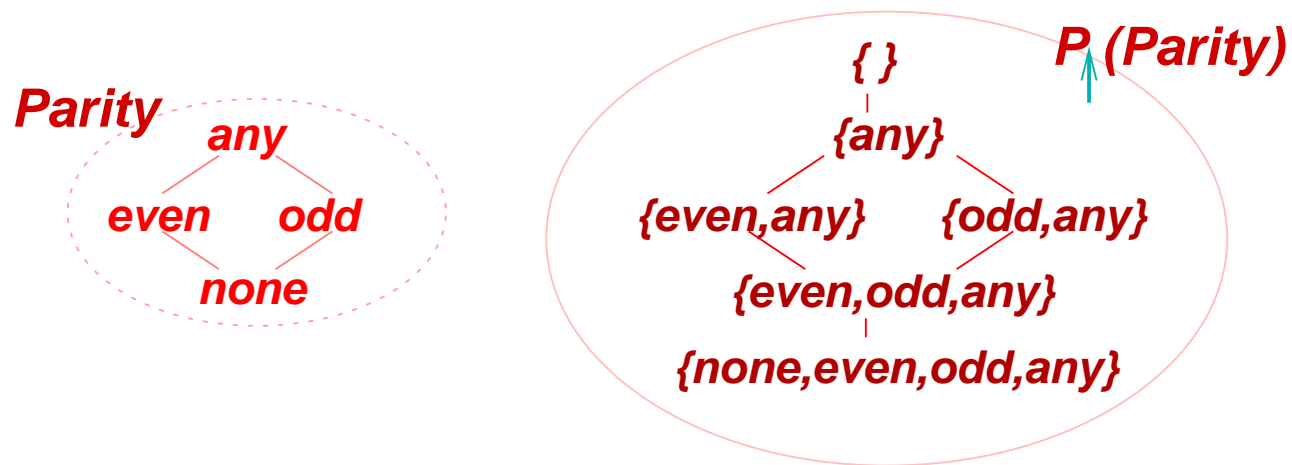
$S_1 \sqsubseteq_E S_2$ iff (for all $y \in S_2$, there exists $x \in S_1$ such that $x \sqsubseteq_D y$)

Up-set (filter) completion: For $d \in D$ and $S \subseteq D$, define

$\uparrow d = \{e \in D \mid d \sqsubseteq_D e\}$ and $\uparrow S = \cup\{\uparrow d \mid d \in S\}$.

Define $\mathcal{P}_\uparrow(D) = (\{\uparrow S \mid S \subseteq D\}, \supseteq, \uparrow, \cup)$ —all up-closed subsets of D

Example:



Logical relations

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We now attach typings to the relations. Here are the types:

$$\tau ::= b \mid \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \mid \mathcal{P}_L(\tau) \mid \mathcal{P}_U(\tau) \mid \bar{\tau}$$

$\bar{\tau}$ is a special case of $\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)$ and names the completion of U-GLB-closed $\rho \subseteq C \times A$ to $\bar{\rho} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(C) \times A$, seen earlier

Let C_τ and A_τ be p.o.-sets of the appropriate form (e.g., $A_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2}$ is a lattice of monotone functions, $A_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)}$ is an upper powerset, etc.)

We define this family of logical relations, $\rho_\tau \subseteq C_\tau \times A_\tau$:

ρ_b is given

$f \rho_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2} f^\#$ iff for all $c \in C_{\tau_1}$, $a \in A_{\tau_1}$, $c \rho_{\tau_1} a$ implies $f(c) \rho_{\tau_2} f^\#(a)$

$S \rho_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)} T$ iff for all $c \in S$, there exists $a \in T$ such that $c \rho_\tau a$

$S \rho_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)} T$ iff for all $a \in T$, there exists $c \in S$ such that $c \rho_\tau a$

$S \rho_{\bar{\tau}} a$ iff for all $c \in S$, $c \rho_\tau a$. *That is, $S \rho_{\bar{\tau}} a$ iff $S \rho_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)} \{a\}$*

Simulation relations are logical relations

Binary relations are the key component in simulation proofs:

For $\rho \subseteq C \times A$, transition relations, $R \subseteq C \times C$, $R^\# \subseteq A \times A$,

Definition: $R^\#$ *simulates* R , written $R \triangleleft_\rho R^\#$, iff for all $c, c' \in C$ and $a \in A$,

$c \rho a$ and $c R c'$ imply there exists $a' \in A$ s.t. $a R^\# a'$ and $c' \rho a'$.

Say that we represent R and $R^\#$ as multi-functions, $R : C \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_L(C)$ and $R^\# : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_L(A)$:

Theorem:

1. $R \triangleleft_{\rho_b} R^\#$ iff $R \rho_{b \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_L(b)} R^\#$
2. $R^\# \triangleleft_{\rho_b^{-1}} R$ iff $R \rho_{b \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_U(b)} R^\#$

Closure properties of logical relations

$f \rho_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2} f^\#$ iff for all $c \in C_{\tau_1}$, $a \in A_{\tau_1}$, $c \rho_{\tau_1} a$ implies $f(c) \rho_{\tau_2} f^\#(a)$

$S \rho_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)} T$ iff for all $c \in S$, there exists $a \in T$ such that $c \rho_\tau a$

$S \rho_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)} T$ iff for all $a \in T$, there exists $c \in S$ such that $c \rho_\tau a$

$S \rho_{\bar{\tau}} a$ iff for all $c \in S$, $c \rho_\tau a$

Theorem: For $\rho_\tau \subseteq C_\tau \times A_\tau$ and for

$F[\tau] \in \{\tau' \rightarrow \tau, \mathcal{P}_L(\tau), \mathcal{P}_U(\tau), \bar{\tau}\}$,

If ρ_τ is L-closed, then so is $\rho_{F[\tau]}$.

If ρ_τ is U-closed, then so is $\rho_{F[\tau]}$.

If ρ_τ is U-GLB-closed, then so are $\rho_{\tau' \rightarrow \tau}$, $\rho_{\bar{\tau}}$, and $\rho_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)}$.

If ρ_τ is L-LUB-closed, then so are $\rho_{\tau' \rightarrow \tau}$ and $\rho_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)}$.

Proposition: $\rho_{\bar{\tau}}$ and $\rho_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)}$ are always L-closed, and $\rho_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)}$ is always U-closed.

Alas, LUB-closure is not guaranteed for $\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)$ and neither is GLB-closure for $\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)$.

But there are some sufficient conditions upon the choice of lower- and upper-powerset that ensure these closures.

Here are two simple but useful examples:

Proposition: $\rho_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_\downarrow(C_\tau) \times \mathcal{P}_L(A_\tau)$ is always LUB-closed.

Proposition: $\rho_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_U(C_\tau) \times \mathcal{P}_\uparrow(A_\tau)$ is always GLB-closed.

Dams's results

Synthesizing a most-precise simulation

Dams proved, for $\mathcal{P}(C)\langle\alpha, \gamma\rangle A$ and transition relation $R \subseteq C \times C$, that the most-precise, sound abstract relation $R_0 \subseteq A \times A$ is

$$R_0(a, a') \text{ iff } a' \in \{\alpha(Y) \mid Y \in \min\{S' \mid R^{\exists\exists}(\gamma(a), S')\}\}$$

Reformatted as a function, this reads

$$R_0(a) = \{\alpha(s') \mid \exists s \in \gamma(a), s' \in R(s)\}$$

We can derive Dams's result: Given U-GLB-closed $\rho_b \subseteq C \times A$ and transition function $R : C \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(C)$, we derive $R_0 : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_\downarrow(A)$:

1. *We use the closure properties to generate L-LUB-U-GLB-closed relations, $\rho_{\bar{b}} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(C) \times A$ and $\rho_{\mathcal{P}_L(b)} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(C) \times \mathcal{P}_\downarrow(A)$.*
2. *We synthesize $R_{\text{best}}^\# : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_\downarrow(A)$ in the expected way:*

$$R_{\text{best}}^\# = \alpha_{\rho_{\mathcal{P}_L(b)}} \circ \text{ext}(R) \circ \gamma_{\rho_{\bar{b}}} = R_0$$

Synthesizing a most-precise dual simulation

Dams proved, for $\mathcal{P}(C) \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle A$ and $R \subseteq C \times C$, that the best underapproximating relation $R_1 \subseteq A \times A$ is

$$R_1(a, a') \text{ iff } a' \in \{\alpha(Y) \mid Y \in \min\{S' \mid R^{\forall\exists}(\gamma(a), S')\}\}$$

Reformatted as a function, this reads

$$R_1(a) = \{\alpha(Y) \mid Y \in \min\{S' \mid \text{for all } s \in \gamma(a), R(s) \cap S' \neq \{\}\}\}$$

We must work a bit harder, but we can derive the same result:

Given $R : C \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(C)$ and U-GLB-closed $\rho_b \subseteq C \times A$, we derive

$$R_1 : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_\uparrow(A) \dots$$

We derive $R_1 : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_\uparrow(A)$:

1. *We generate L-LUB-U-GLB-closed $\rho_{\bar{b}} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(C) \times A$*
2. *We generate $\rho_{\bar{\mathcal{P}}_U(b)} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_\downarrow(\mathcal{P}(C)^{\text{op}}) \times \mathcal{P}_\uparrow(A)$ in stages:*
 - (a) *begin with U-GLB-closed $\rho_b \subseteq C \times A$ (because C is discretely ordered, ρ_b is L-closed also);*
 - (b) *lift to sets of answers:* lift the relation to L-U-GLB-closed $\rho_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(C)^{\text{op}} \times \mathcal{P}_\uparrow(A)$;
 - (c) *introduce LUB-closure (giving a Galois connection):* complete the relation to $\rho_{\bar{\mathcal{P}}_U(\tau)} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_\downarrow(\mathcal{P}(C)^{\text{op}}) \times \mathcal{P}_\uparrow(A)$.
3. *We synthesize $R_{\text{best}}^b : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_\uparrow(A)$:*

$$R_{\text{best}}^b = \alpha_{\rho_{\bar{\mathcal{P}}_U(b)}} \circ \text{ext}(\{\cdot\} \circ R) \circ \gamma_{\rho_{\bar{b}}} = R_1$$

where $\text{ext}(\{\cdot\} \circ R) : \mathcal{P}(C)^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_\downarrow(\mathcal{P}(C)^{\text{op}})$ maps a set of concrete arguments to the set of R -successor sets of the arguments.

As seen in the talk's introductory example, the relation in (b) lacks LUB-closure.

Validation and refutation logics

A logic generated from the logical relations

We define this language of assertions,

$$\phi ::= p_b \mid f.\phi \mid \forall\phi \mid \exists\phi$$

and this semantics of typed judgements for both concrete domains, C_τ , and abstract domains, A_τ :

$d \models_b p_b$ is given, for $d \in D_b$

$d \models_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2} f.\phi$ if $f(d) \models_{\tau_2} \phi$, for $d \in D_{\tau_1}, f \in D_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2}$

$S \models_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)} \forall\phi$ if for all $d \in S, d \models_\tau \phi$, for $S \in D_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)}$

$S \models_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)} \exists\phi$ if there exists $d \in S$ such that $d \models_\tau \phi$, for $S \in D_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)}$

The judgement form for $\bar{\tau}$ is a special case of $\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)$'s:

$S \models_{\bar{\tau}} \phi$ if $c \models_\tau \phi$, for all $c \in S, S \in \mathcal{P}_L(C_\tau)$

$a \models_{\bar{\tau}} \phi$ if $a \models_\tau \phi$, for $a \in A_\tau$

Some “syntactic sugar”:

$d \models \forall R\phi$ (*that is, $d \models \Box\phi$*) abbreviates $d \models_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_L(\tau_2)} R.\forall\phi$

$d \models \exists R\phi$ ($d \models \Diamond\phi$) abbreviates $d \models_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_U(\tau_2)} R.\exists\phi$

This reveals that the logic extracted from the logical relations is a variant of *Hennesy-Milner logic* or *description logic* or *branching-time temporal logic*.

$\tau ::= \mathbf{b} \mid \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \mid \mathcal{P}_L(\tau) \mid \mathcal{P}_U(\tau) \mid \bar{\tau}$

Assume, for all function symbols, f , typed $\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2$, there are interpretations $f : C_{\tau_1} \rightarrow C_{\tau_2}$, and $f^\# : A_{\tau_1} \rightarrow A_{\tau_2}$, such that $f \rho_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2} f^\#$. Also, we formalize when judgements $\mathbf{a} \models_\tau \phi$ are *well formed*.

Definition: $\models_\tau \phi$ is ρ_τ -*sound* iff for all $c \in C_{\tau_1}$, $\mathbf{a} \in A_{\tau_2}$,

$\mathbf{a} \models_\tau \phi$ is well formed, holds true, and $c \rho_\tau \mathbf{a}$ imply $c \models_\tau \phi$.

Assume that all $\models_{\mathbf{b}} p$ are $\rho_{\mathbf{b}}$ -sound.

Theorem: For all types, τ , we have that $\models_\tau \phi$ are ρ_τ -sound.

We can add the logical connectives,

$d \models_\tau \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$ if $d \models_\tau \phi_1$ and $d \models_\tau \phi_2$

$d \models_\tau \phi_1 \vee \phi_2$ if $d \models_\tau \phi_1$ or $d \models_\tau \phi_2$

and prove these ρ_τ -sound as well.

Validating $\neg\phi$ requires a refutation logic

Define $c \models_{\tau} \neg\phi$ iff $c \not\models_{\tau} \phi$.

We have a logic that validates ϕ for $c \in C$ by validating it for $a \in A$, so we might have also a logic that *refutes* properties similarly:

Read $a \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$ as “it is not possible that any value modelled by a has property ϕ .”

$a \models_b^{\neg pos} p$ is given, for $a \in A_b$

$a \models_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2}^{\neg pos} f.\phi$ if $f(a) \models_{\tau_2}^{\neg pos} \phi$, for $a \in A_{\tau_1}$, $f \in A_{\tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2}$

$T \models_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)}^{\neg pos} \forall\phi$ if exists $a \tilde{\in} T$, $a \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$, for $T \in A_{\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)}$

$T \models_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)}^{\neg pos} \exists\phi$ if for all $a \tilde{\in} T$, $a \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$, for $T \in A_{\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)}$

$a \models_{\bar{\tau}}^{\neg pos} \phi$ if $a \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$, for $a \in A_{\tau}$

Definition: $\models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$ is ρ_{τ} -sound iff for all $c \in C_{\tau_1}$, $a \in A_{\tau_2}$, $a \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$ is well formed, holds, and $c \rho_{\tau} a$ imply $c \not\models_{\tau} \phi$.

Theorem: All $\models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$ are ρ_{τ} -sound.

The case for $\models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$ shows significant loss of precision: $\mathbf{a} \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$ and $S \rho_{\tau} \mathbf{a}$ imply *for all* $c \in S$, that $c \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$, whereas we need only show that *there exists* some $c \in S$, such that $c \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$.

Corollary: $\mathbf{a} \models_{\tau} \neg \phi$ if $\mathbf{a} \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$ is sound for ρ_{τ} .

$\mathbf{a} \models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \neg \phi$ if $\mathbf{a} \models_{\tau} \phi$ is sound for ρ_{τ} .

(i) In the refutation logic, $\models_{\tau}^{\neg pos} \phi$, the roles of $\mathcal{P}_L(\tau)$ and $\mathcal{P}_U(\tau)$ are exchanged. This, as well as the need to validate a mix of \forall and \exists , means we must employ $\mathbf{R}^{\#}$ and \mathbf{R}^b to validate/refute assertions —this is the idea behind mixed/modal transition systems.

(ii) The Sagiv-Reps-Wilhelm TVLA system simultaneously calculates validation and refutation logics.

(iii) We might approximate every concrete set by a *pair* of lower and upper approximations: $\rho_{\mathcal{P}\tau} \subseteq \mathcal{P}\mathcal{C} \times (\mathcal{P}_L(\mathbf{A}) \times \mathcal{P}_U(\mathbf{A}))$. This motivates sandwich- and mixed-powerdomains for over-under-approximation of sets

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