### Zariski closure of finitely generated (semi)groups of matrices

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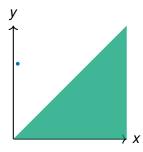
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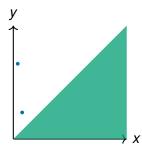
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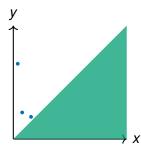
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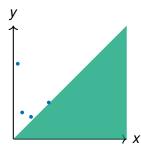
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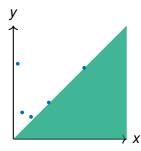
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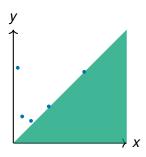
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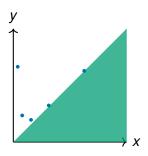


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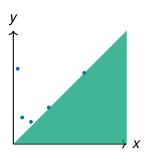
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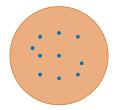
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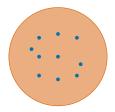


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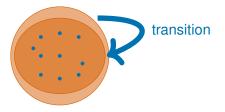
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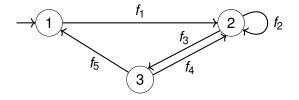


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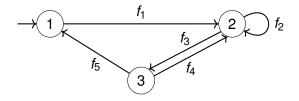


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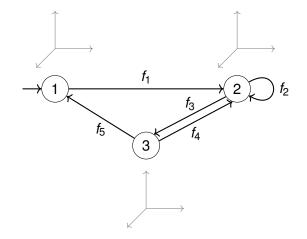




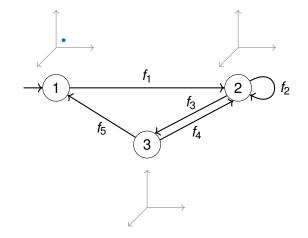
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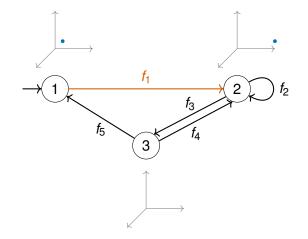
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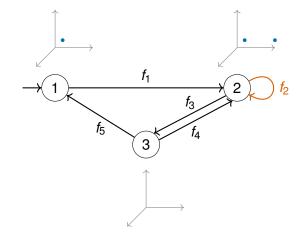
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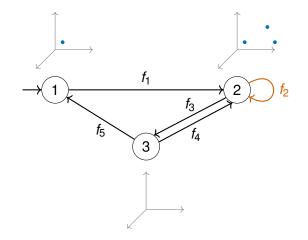
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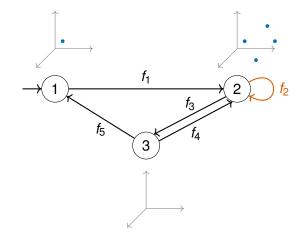
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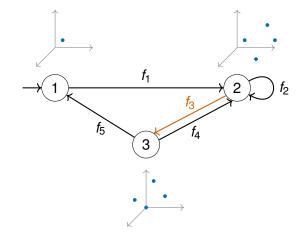
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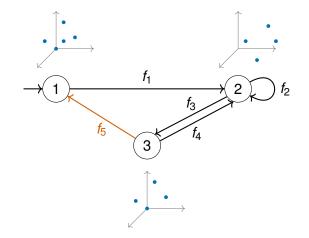
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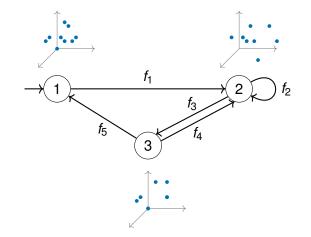
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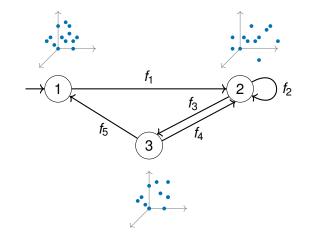
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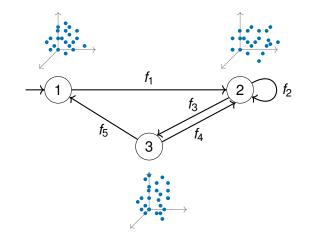
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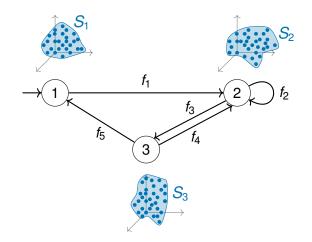


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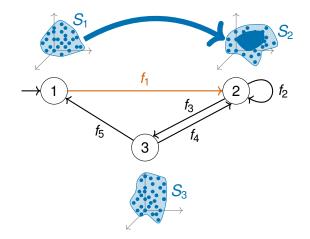
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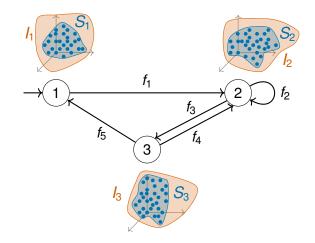
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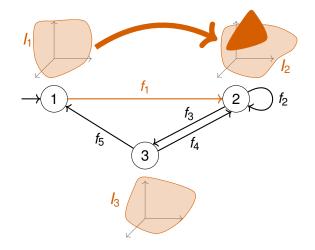
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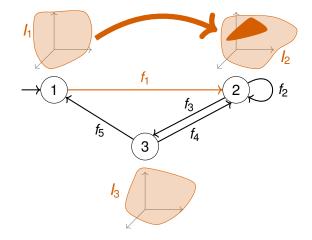
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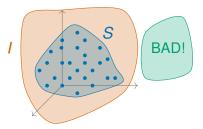
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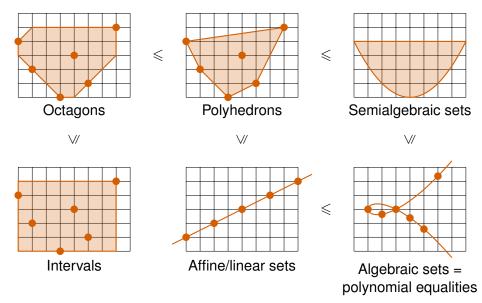
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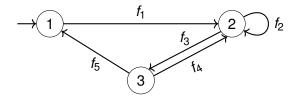


The classical approach to the verification of temporal safety properties of programs requires the construction of **inductive invariants** [...]. Automation of this construction is the main challenge in program verification.

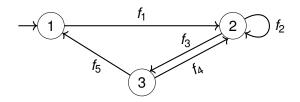
D. Beyer, T. Henzinger, R. Majumdar, and A. Rybalchenko Invariant Synthesis for Combined Theories, 2007

# Which invariants?

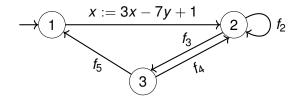




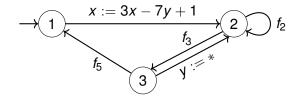
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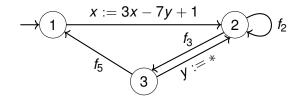


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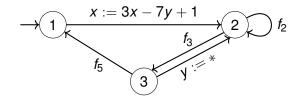
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- Covers existing formalisms: probabilistic, quantum, quantitative automata

### Affine Relationships Among Variables of a Program\*

Michael Karr

Received May 8, 1974

Summary. Several optimizations of programs can be performed when in certain regions of a program equality relationships hold between a linear combination of the variables of the program and a constant. This paper presents a practical approach to detecting these relationships by considering the problem from the viewpoint of linear algebra. Key to the practicality of this approach is an algorithm for the calculation of the "sum" of linear subspaces.

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## **Discovering Affine Equalities Using Random Interpretation**

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#### ABSTRACT

We present a new polynomial-time randomized algorithm for discovering affine equalities involving variables in a program.

#### Keywords

Affine Relationships, Linear Equalities, Random Interpretation, Randomized Algorithm

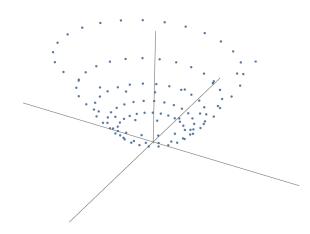
## A Note on Karr's Algorithm

Markus Müller-Olm<sup>1  $\star$ </sup> and Helmut Seidl<sup>2</sup>

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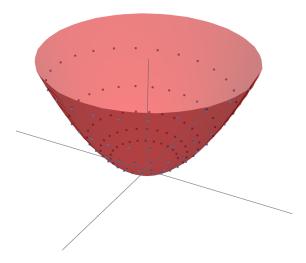
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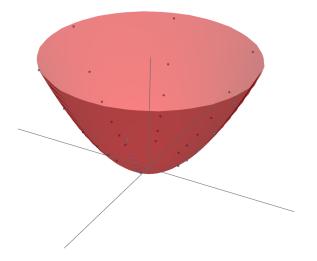
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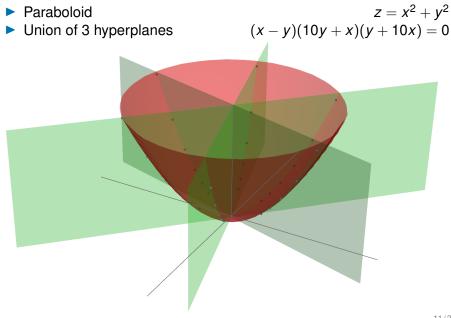
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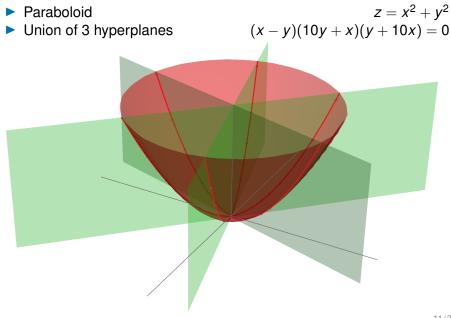


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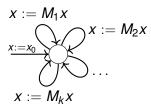
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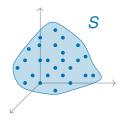
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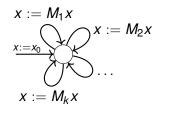
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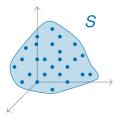
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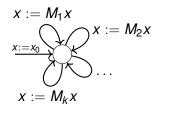


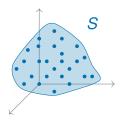
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The mortality problem "0 is reachable from  $x_0$  with  $M_1, \ldots, M_k$ ?" is undecidable for  $3 \times 3$  matrices.

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## Zariski closure of finitely generated groups

Our algorithm relies on this result:

### Quantum automata and algebraic groups

Harm Derksen<sup>a</sup>, Emmanuel Jeandel<sup>b</sup>, Pascal Koiran<sup>b,\*</sup>

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### Theorem (Derksen, Jeandel and Koiran, 2004)

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Equivalently, compute the Zariski closure of a finitely generated groups of matrices.

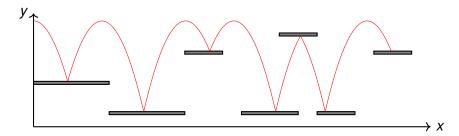
### Theorem (Technical result)

There is an algorithm that computes the Zariski closure of any finitely semigroup of matrices (with algebraic coefficients), given its generators as inputs.

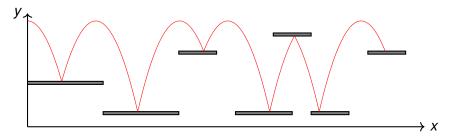
### Corollary

Given an affine program, we can compute for each location the ideal of all polynomial relations that hold at that location.

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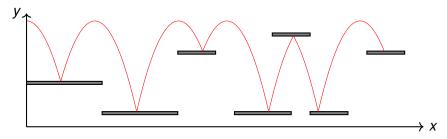
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- affine program: collision
- + linear differential equation: mechanics
- = linear hybrid automaton

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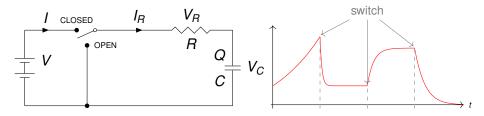
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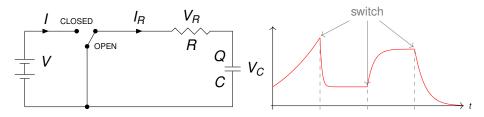
$$t = 1$$

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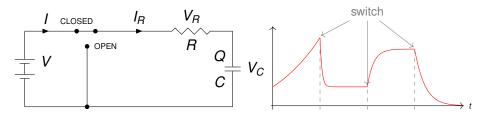
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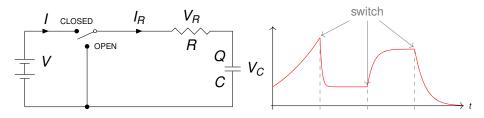
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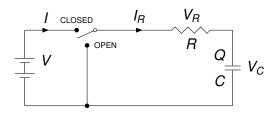
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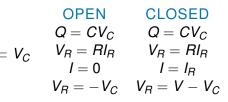
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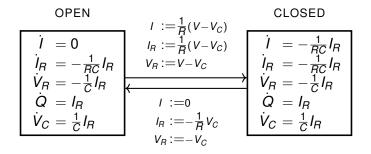
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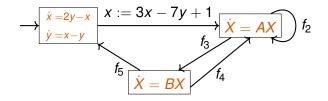
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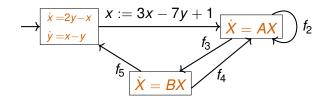
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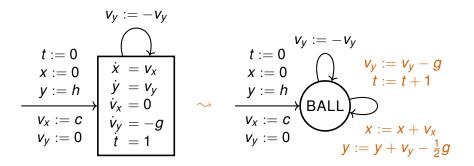
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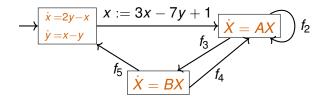
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- obvious candidate  $B = e^A$  is not algebraic
- "reverse-engineer" B algebraic to encode some multiplicative relations between the eigenvalues

## Summary

- invariant = overapproximation of reachable states
- invariants allow verification of safety properties
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