

Abstract Interpretation: Exercises for day 4

[Note: you are welcome to solve these exercises in groups of 2]

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1. Develop the =0, <>0, +1 and -1 operations for the interval domain
2. Implement the interval domain and the above operations as a module with (roughly) the following signature:

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type interval

val bot      : interval
val leq      : interval -> interval -> bool
val join     : interval -> interval -> interval

val iszero   : interval -> interval
val notzero  : interval -> interval
val incr     : interval -> interval
val decr     : interval -> interval
...

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3. To plug this module into your implementation from yesterday we need a widening operator to ensure termination.
 - How can we design a widening operator over $Interval \times Interval \times Interval$ ($\langle I_x, I_y, I_z \rangle \nabla \langle I'_x, I'_y, I'_z \rangle$) in terms of the simpler widening operator over $Interval$ ($I \nabla I'$)?
 - How can we design a widening operator over $PC \rightarrow Interval \times Interval \times Interval$ ($f \nabla f'$) in terms of the widening operator over $Interval \times Interval \times Interval$ ($\langle I_x, I_y, I_z \rangle \nabla \langle I'_x, I'_y, I'_z \rangle$)?
4. Implement the above widening operators (each in its appropriate module) over all three domains and adjust the implementation's iterative loop to incorporate widening.

Bonus exercises

- Do you need full intervals for analysing the 3 counter machine?
- Extend your analysis further with a subsequent narrowing stage, analogous to the above widening design.