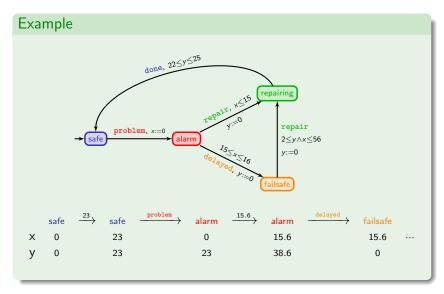
Timed Automata with Observers under Energy Constraints

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The standard timed automaton model [AD90,AD94]



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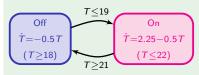
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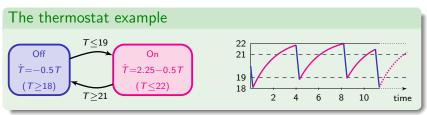
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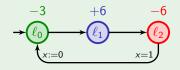
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- An alternative: weighted/priced timed automata [ALP01,BFH+01]
 - → hybrid variables are observer variables (they do not constrain a priori the system)

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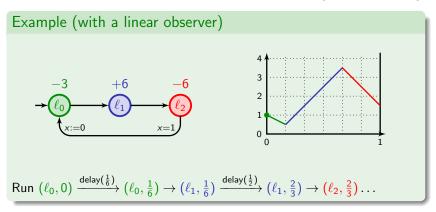
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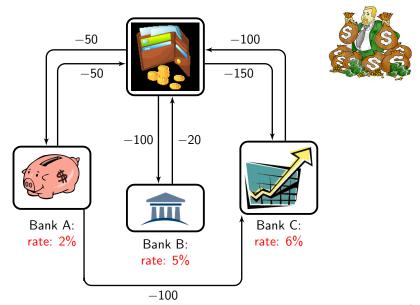


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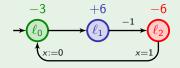
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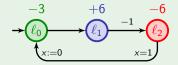
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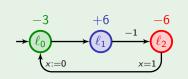
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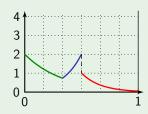
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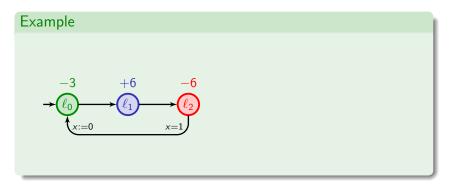
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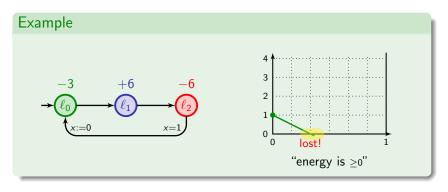
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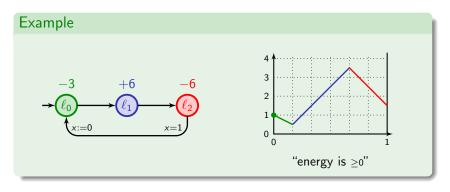
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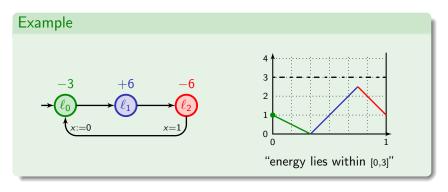
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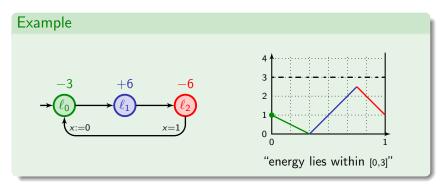
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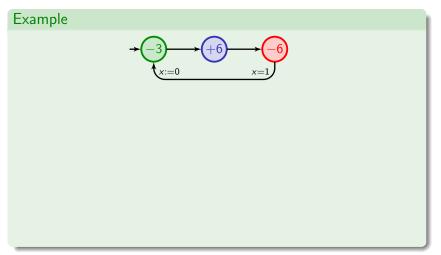
- the energy constraint "energy is ≥ 0 ";
- single-clock PTA;
- a linear or exponential observer variable.

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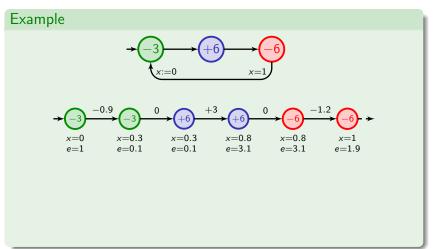
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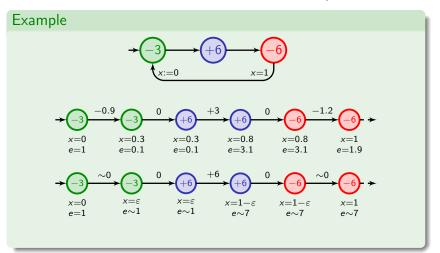
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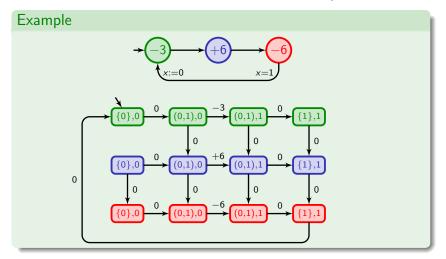
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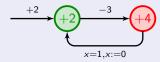
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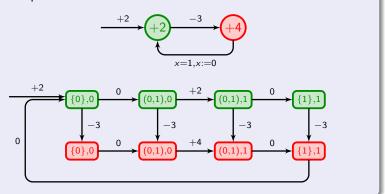


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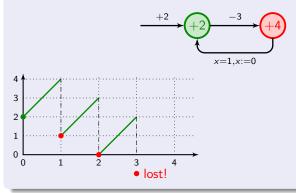


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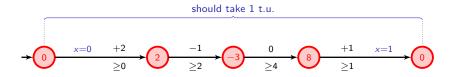
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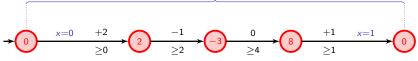
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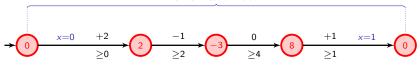
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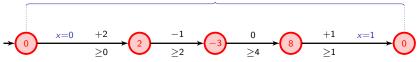
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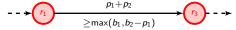


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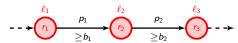
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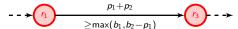
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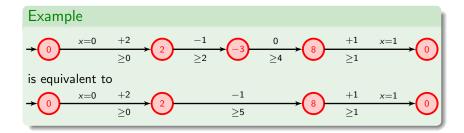


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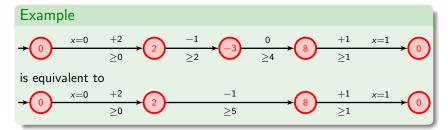


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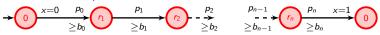
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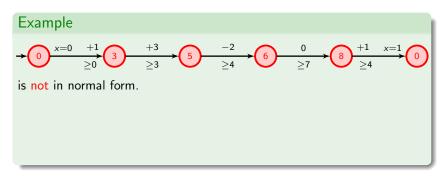
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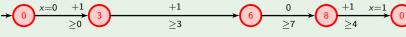
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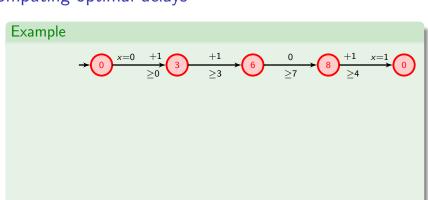
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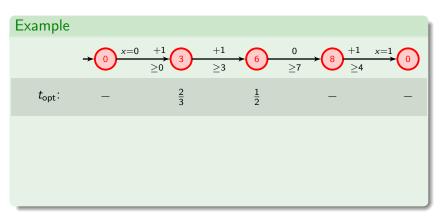


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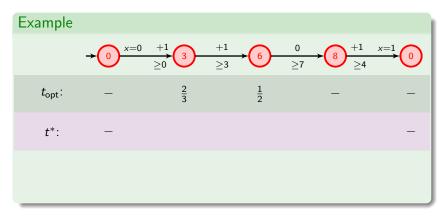
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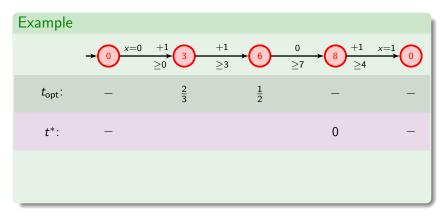




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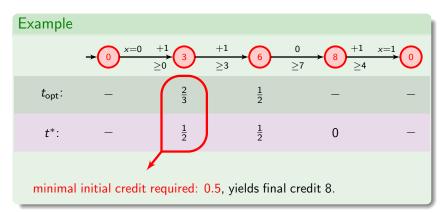
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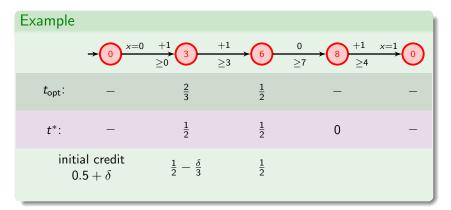
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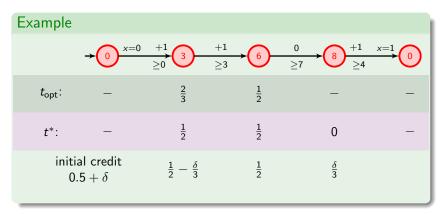
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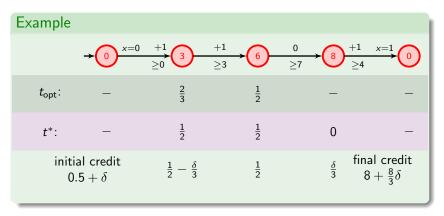
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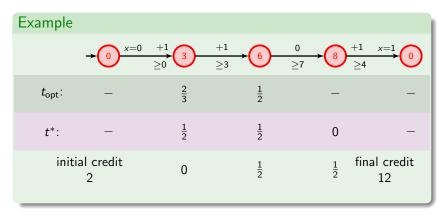
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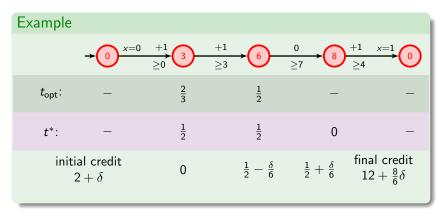
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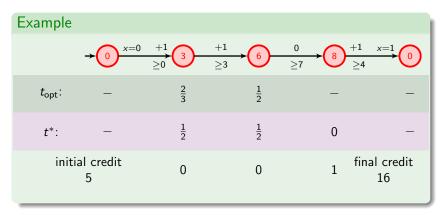
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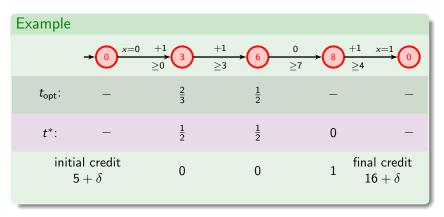
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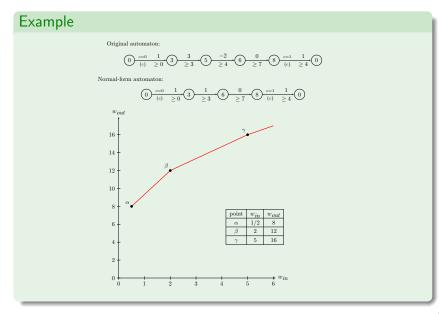
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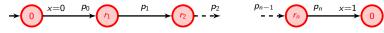
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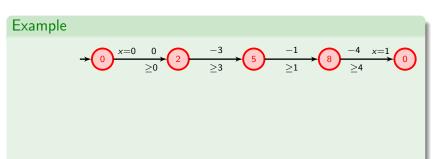
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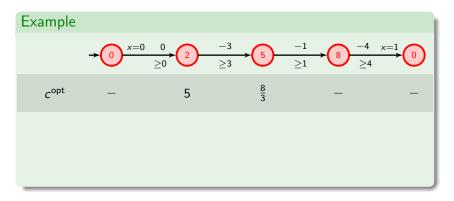
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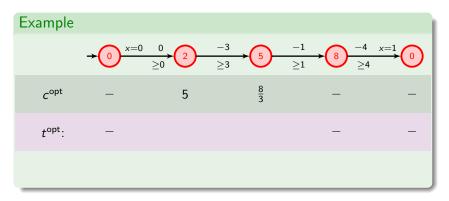
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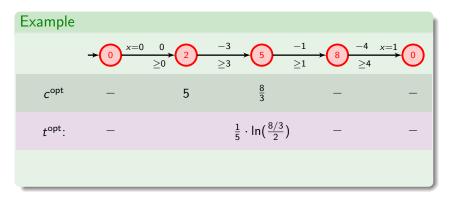
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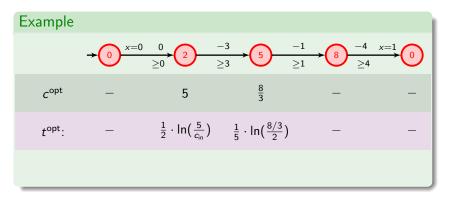
Optimal runs spend no time in $\underbrace{\ell_i}$ if $\underbrace{p_{i-1} \cdot r_i}_{r_i-1-r_i} + p_{i-1} \ge \underbrace{p_i \cdot r_{i+1}}_{r_i-r_{i+1}}$.

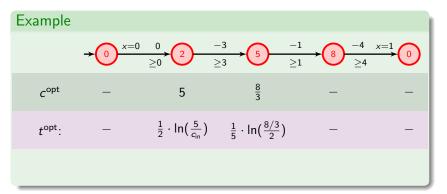






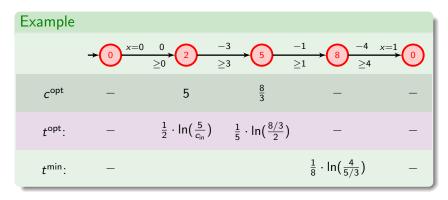




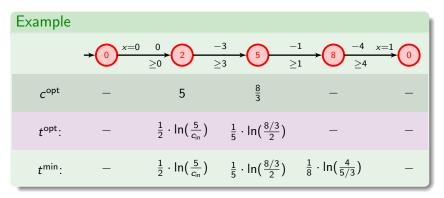


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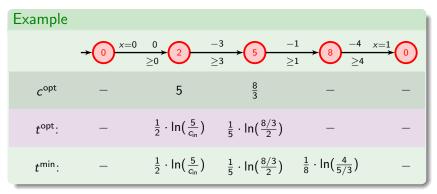


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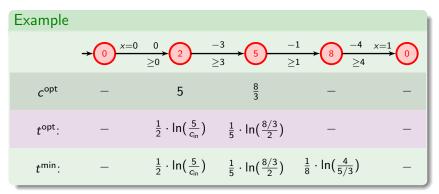


The minimal initial credit to reach the final location is

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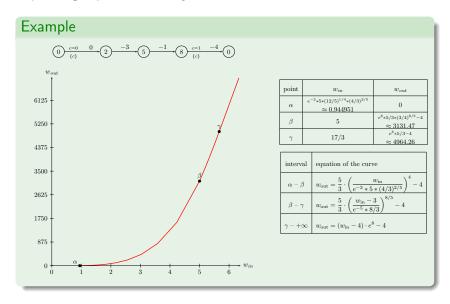
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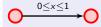
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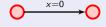
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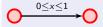


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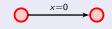
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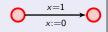
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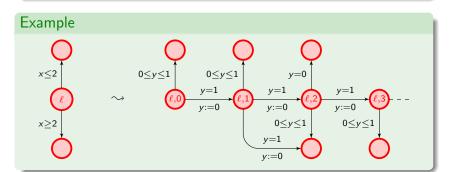


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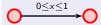
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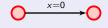


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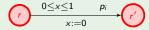


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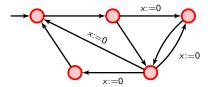
From an automaton A, we can compute an equivalent automaton A' labelled with w_{Zeno} and not containing any non-resetting cycle.

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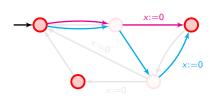
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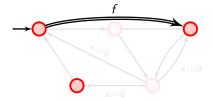
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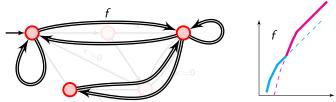
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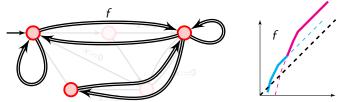
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Many open problems:

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 (In particular can we handle observers that mix linear and exponential evolutions?)
- what if there are upper bounds on the observer variable?
- what if there are more than one clock?
- what if there is an interacting environment (games)?
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