

Lower Runtime Bounds for Integer Programs

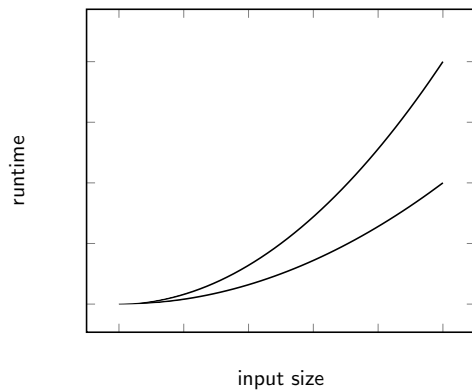
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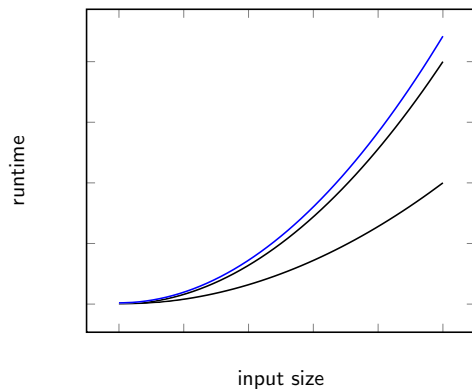
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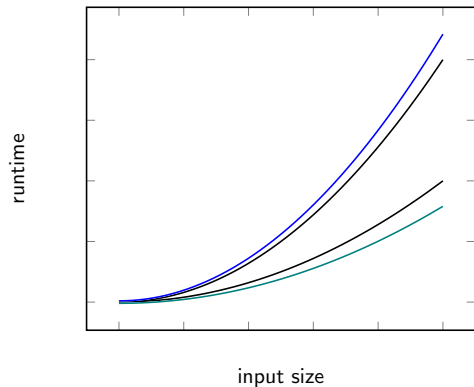


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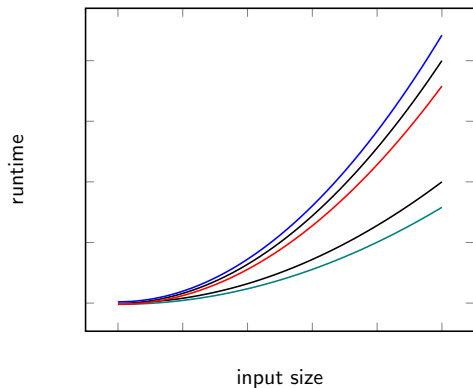
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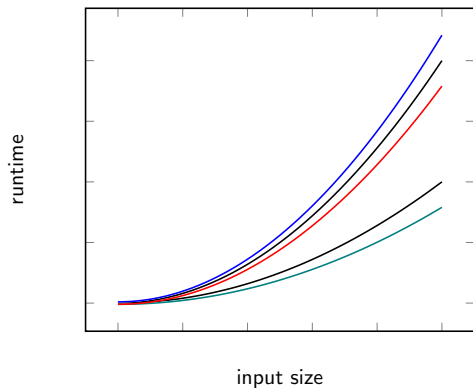
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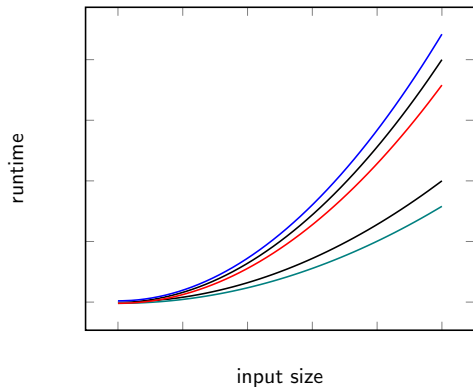


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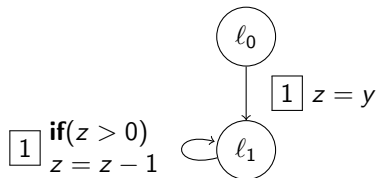
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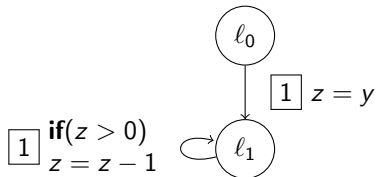
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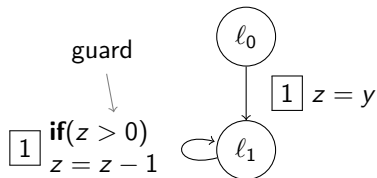
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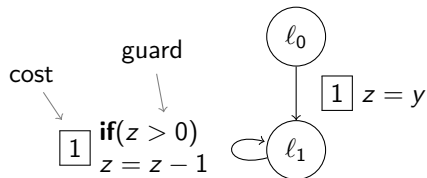
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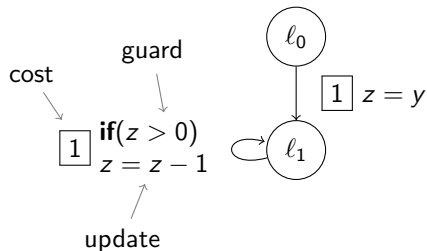
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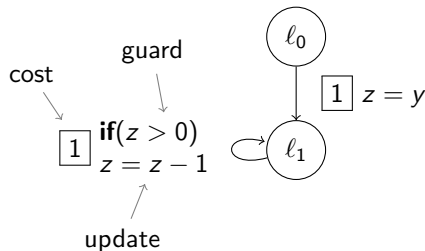
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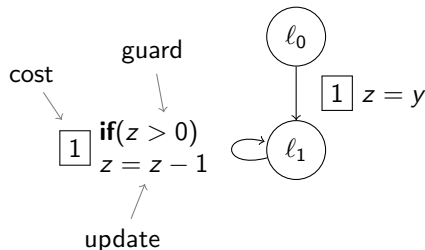


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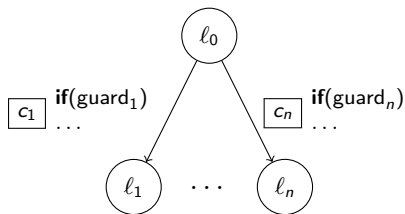
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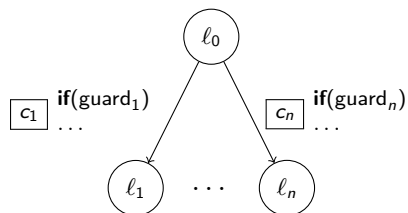
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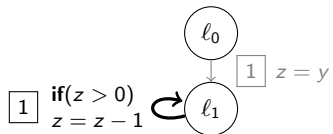


- **step 2:** infer asymptotic lower bound

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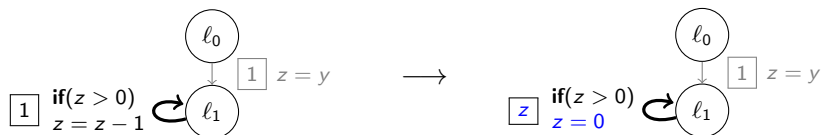
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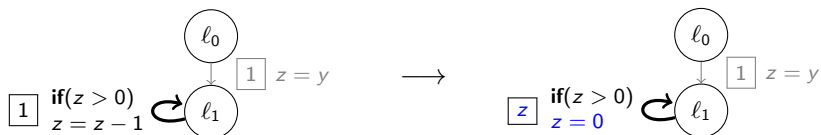
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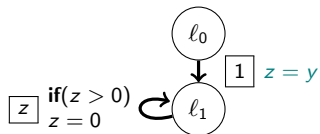


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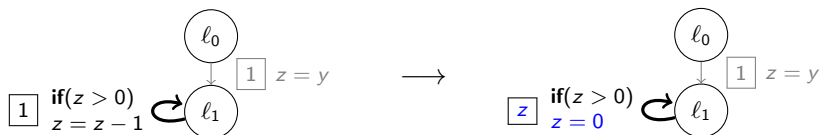


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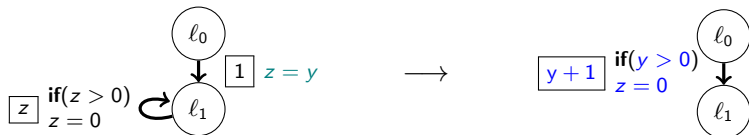


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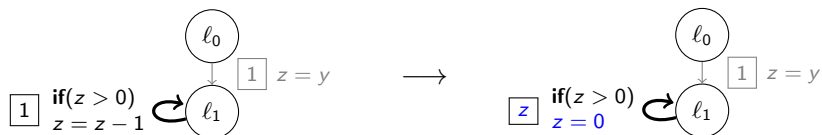


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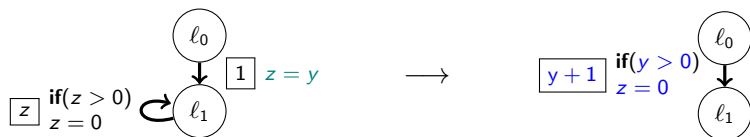


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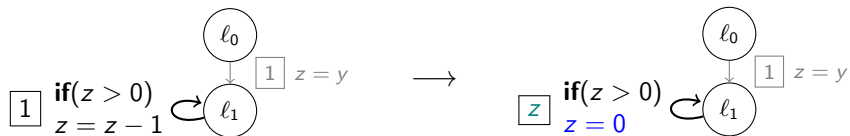


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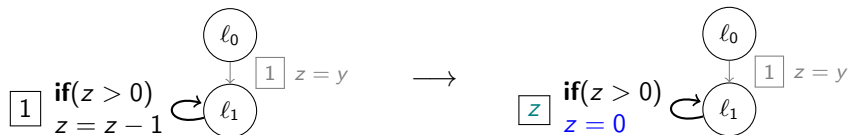


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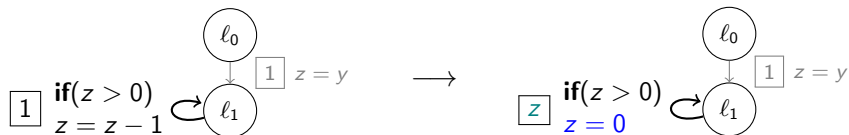


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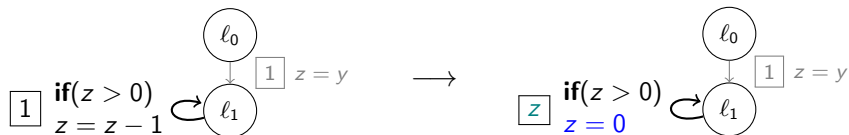
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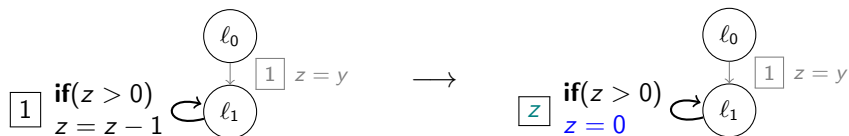
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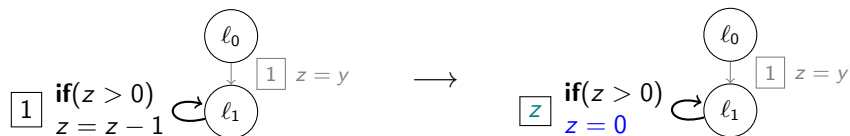
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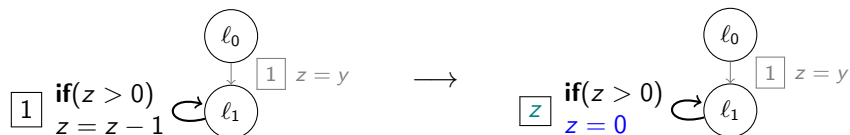
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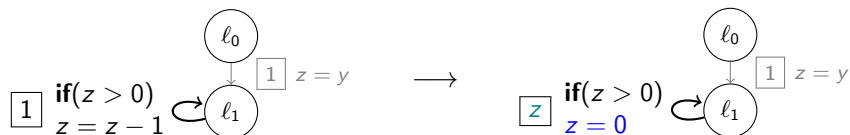
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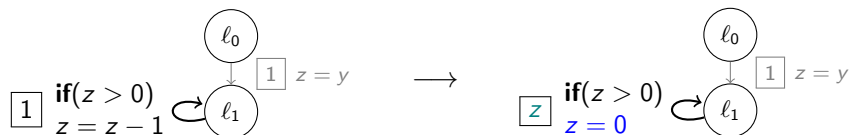
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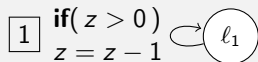
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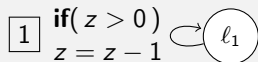


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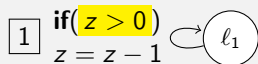
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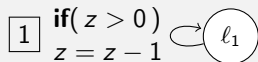
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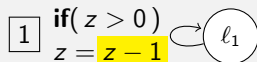
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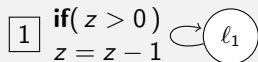
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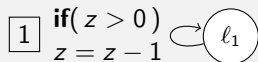
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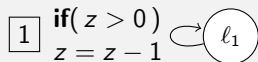
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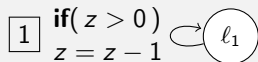
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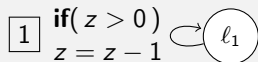
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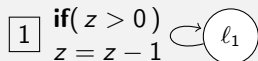
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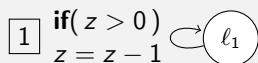
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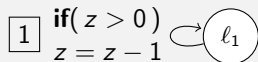
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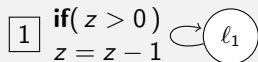
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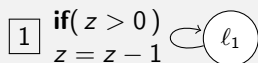
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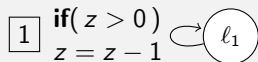
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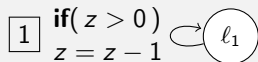
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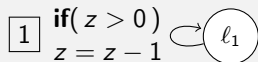
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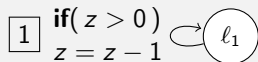
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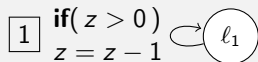
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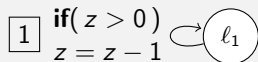
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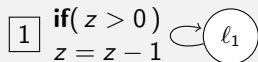
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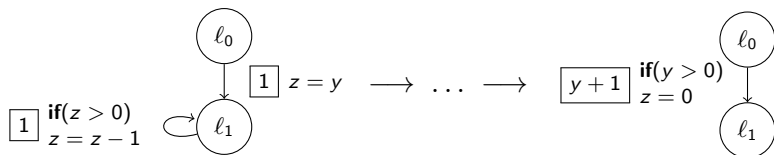
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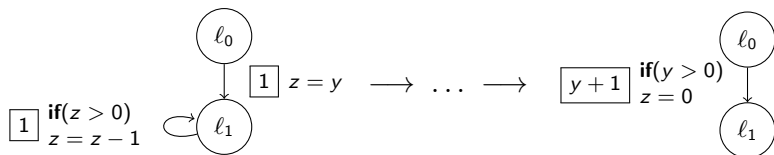
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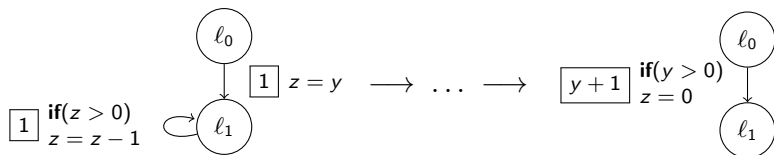
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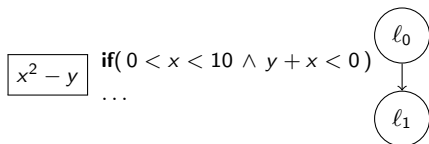
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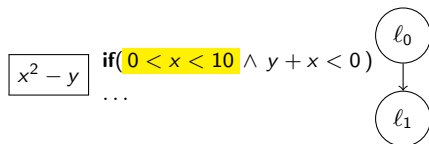
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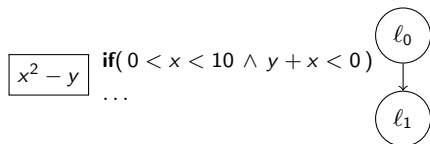
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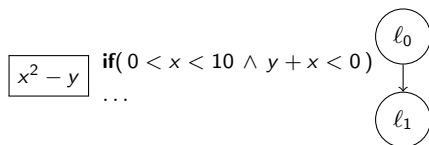
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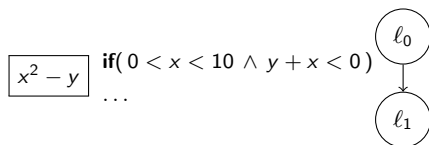


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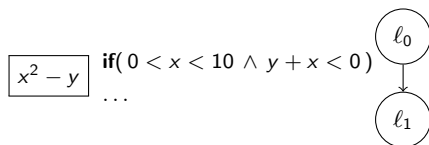


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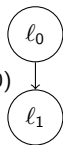
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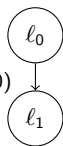
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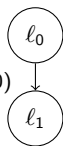
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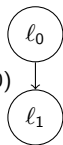
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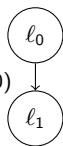
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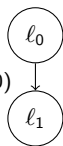
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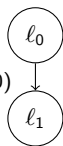
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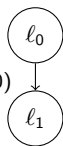
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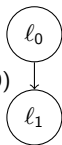
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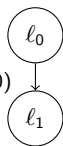
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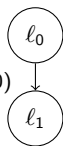
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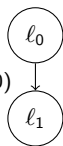
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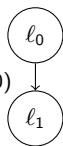
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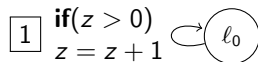
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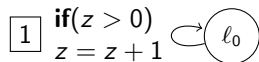
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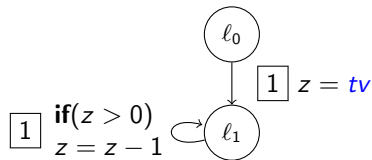
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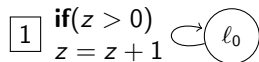
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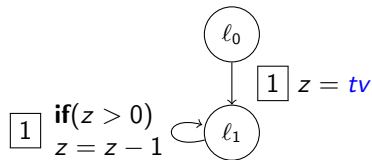
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