

# Interval Analysis on DAGs for global Optimization 1

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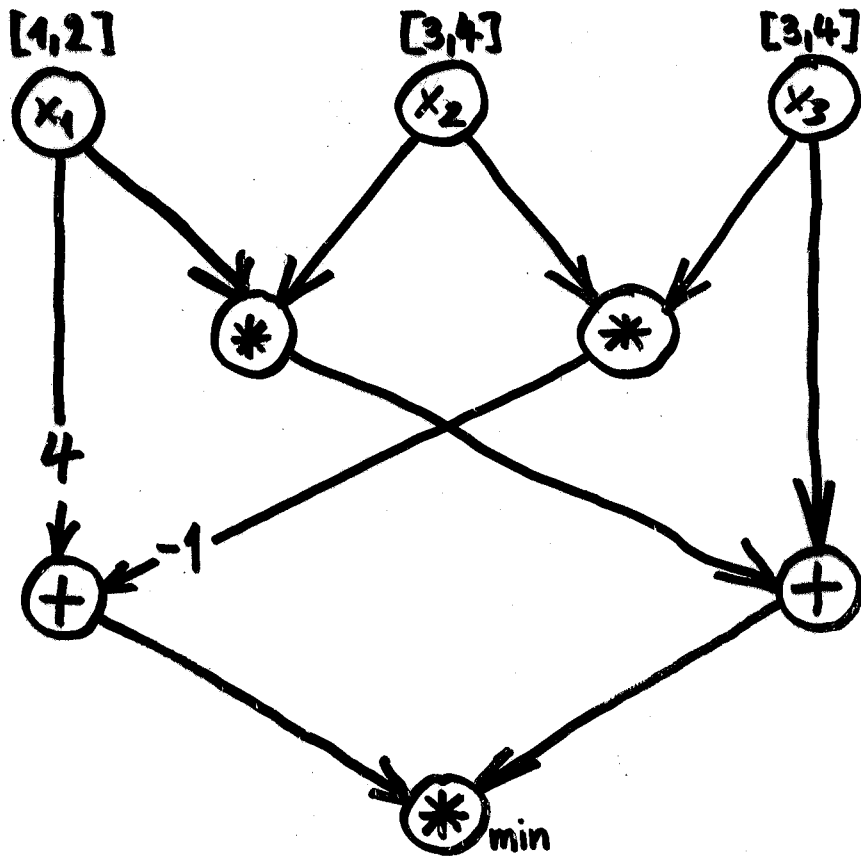
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# Optimization Problem



$$\begin{aligned} \min & (4x_1 - x_2x_3)(x_1x_2 + x_3) \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 \in [1,2] \\ & x_2 \in [3,4] \\ & x_3 \in [3,4] \end{aligned}$$

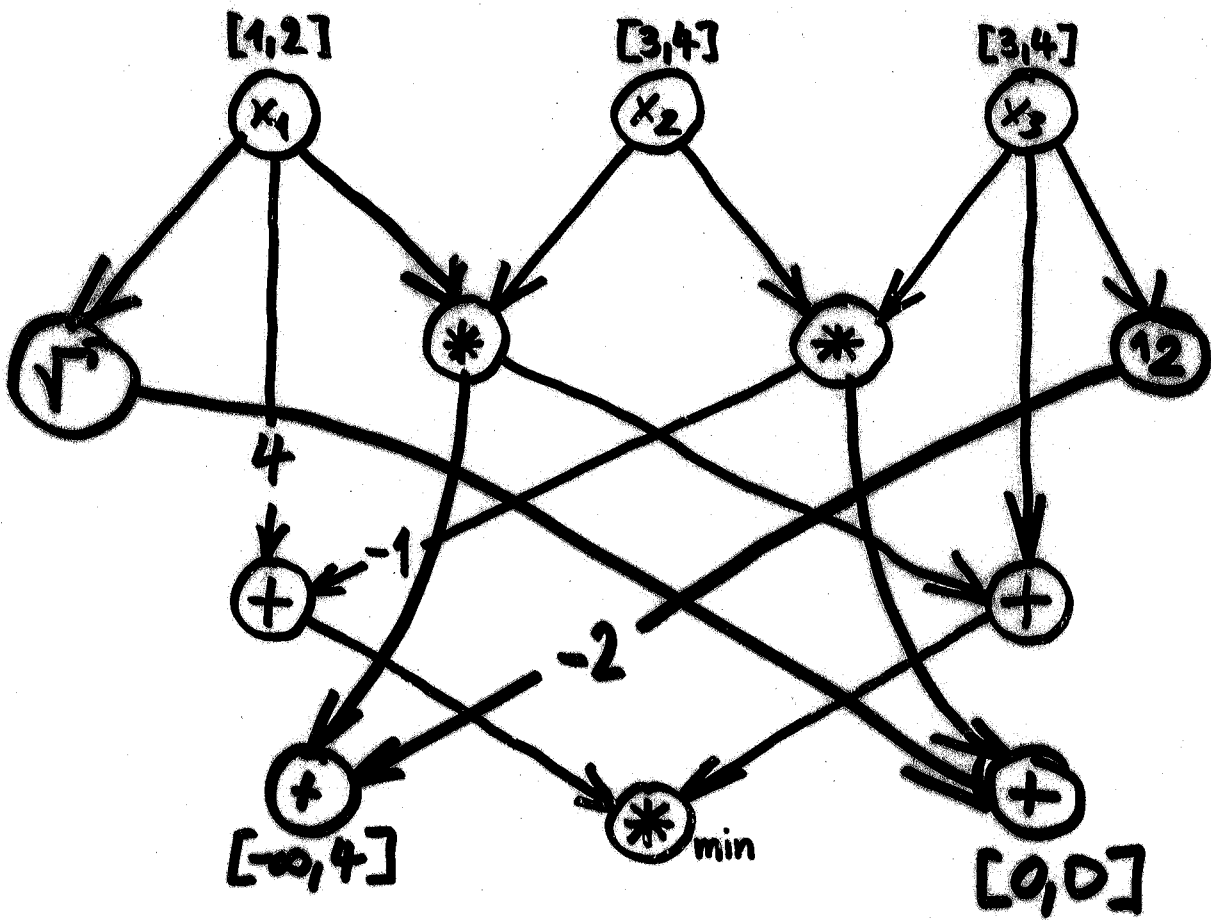
# Directed Acyclic Graph

- directed graph
  - i.e. edges have direction, represented by arrows
- acyclic
  - i.e. impossible to return to the start node of a graph walk when following arrows

acyclicity  $\Leftrightarrow$  existence of a monotone numbering of the nodes (i.e. arrows always point towards bigger nodes)

- has roots      no arrows emanating from  
leaves          no arrows pointing to

# Optimization Problem = DAG

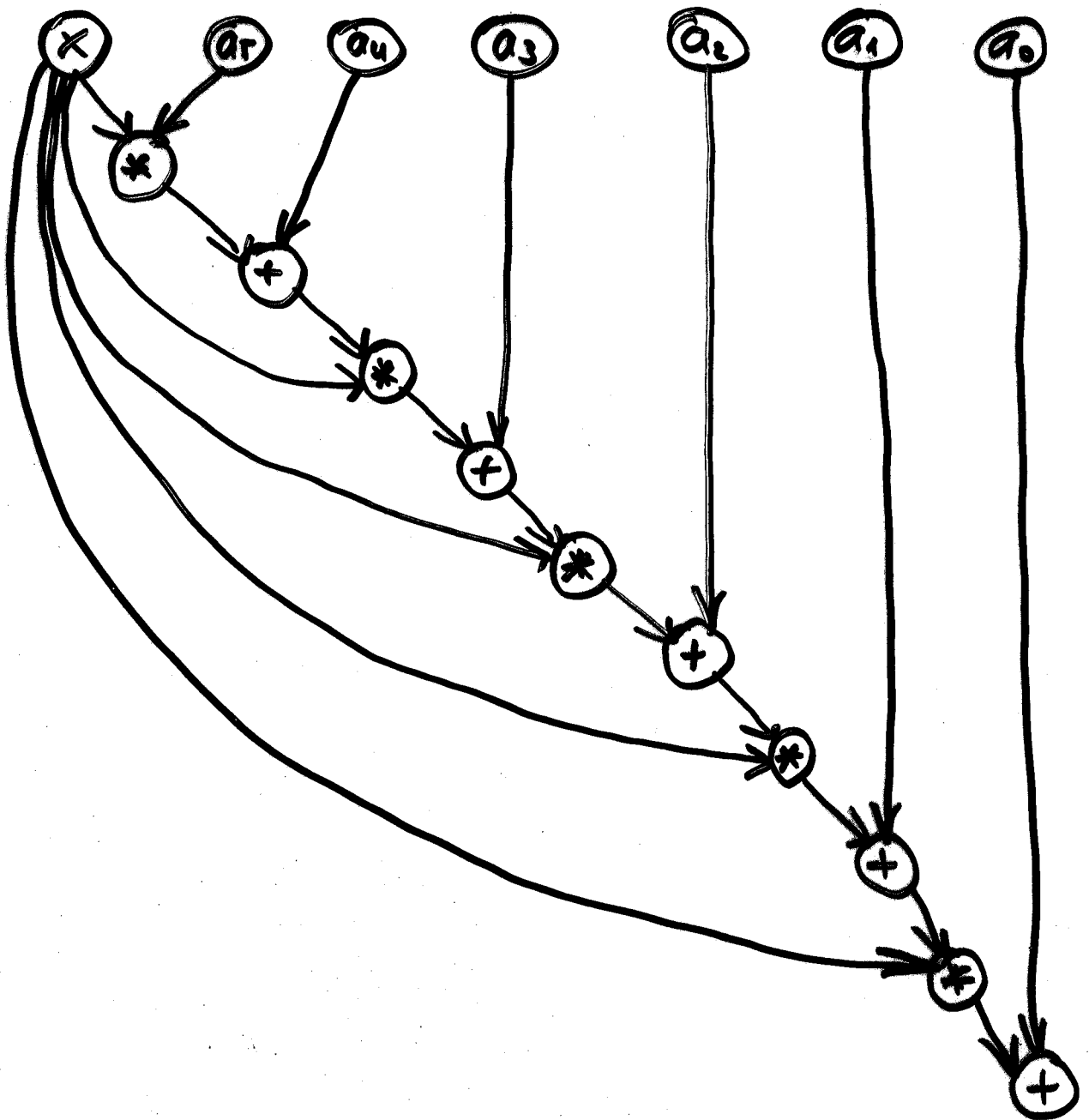


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'Every' global optimization problem can be represented by ONE DAG.

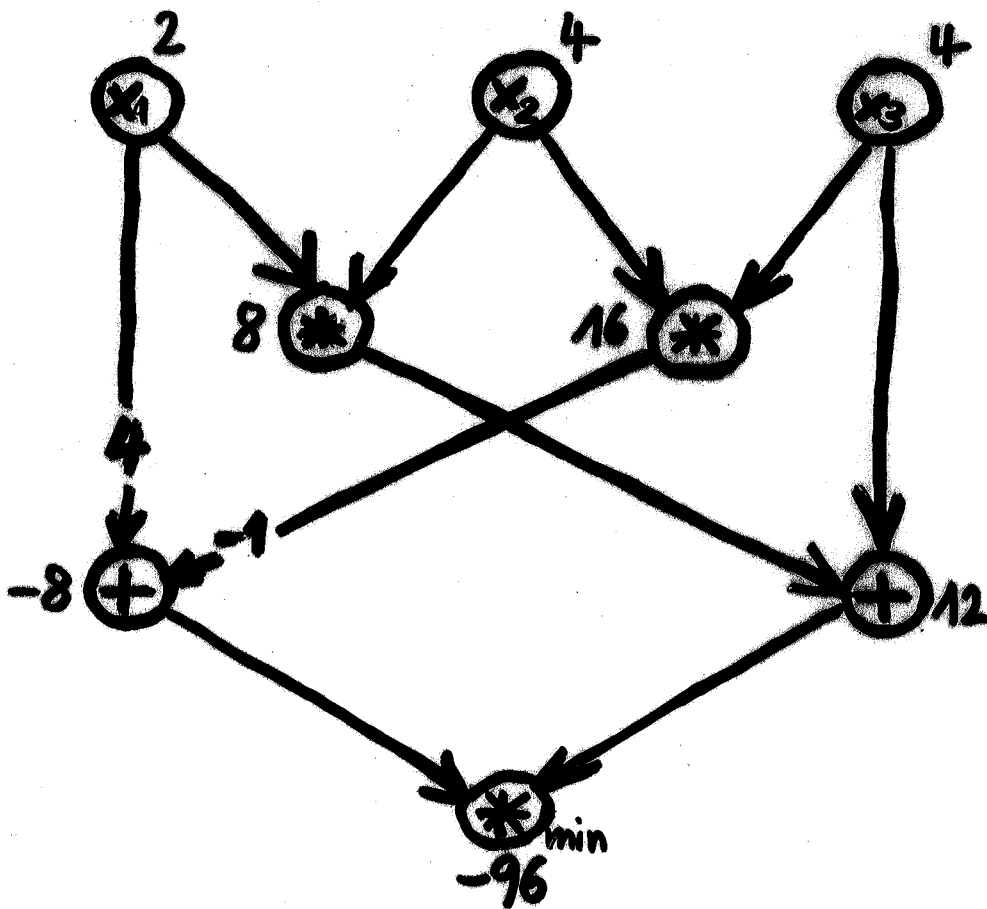
Example for a DAG:

Horner scheme:



$$(((a_5x + a_4)x + a_3)x + a_2)x + a_1)x + a_0$$

Forward Evaluation  
real function values



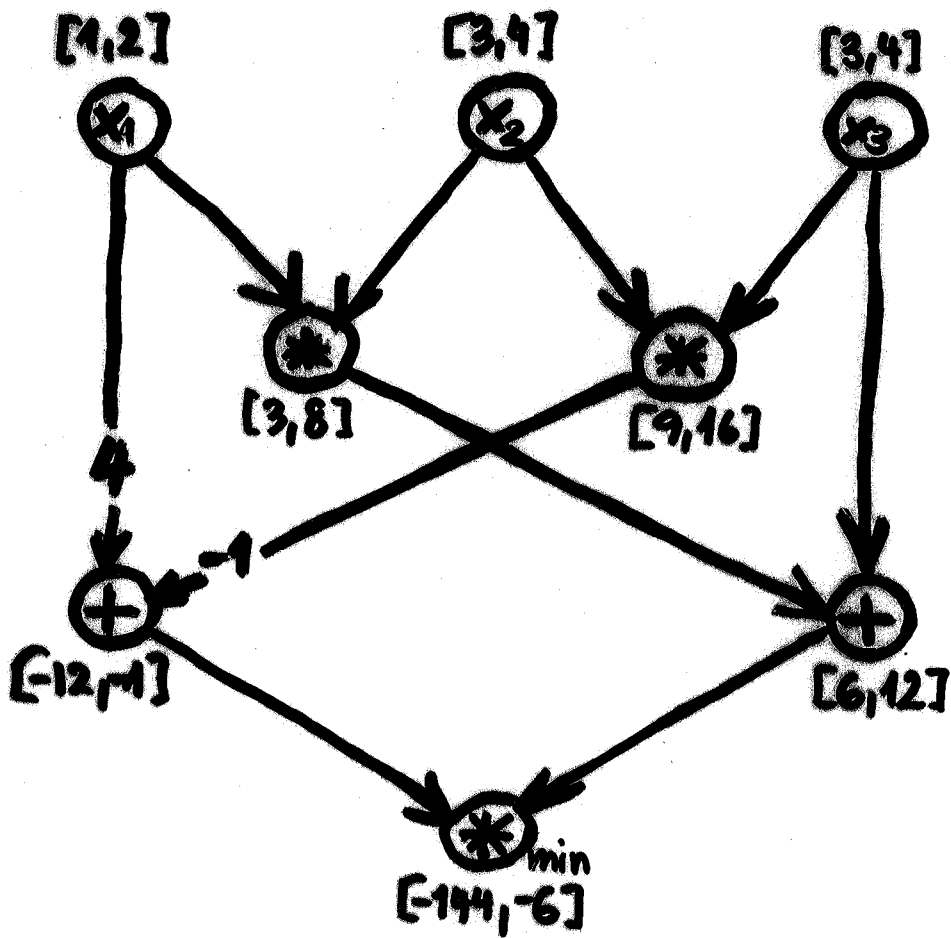
$$f(x) = (4x_1 - x_2x_3)(x_1x_2 + x_3)$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{2}{8} \quad \frac{4 \times 4}{16} \quad \frac{2 \times 4}{8} \quad 4}_{-8 \quad 12}$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{-96}$$

# Forward Evaluation

interval evaluation:



$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= (4x_1 - x_2x_3)(x_1x_2 + x_3) \\
 &\quad \underbrace{[1, 2]}_{[9, 8]} \quad \underbrace{[3, 4][3, 4]}_{[9, 16]} \quad \underbrace{[1, 2][3, 4][3, 4]}_{[3, 8]} \\
 &\quad \underbrace{[-12, -1]}_{[-144, -6]} \quad \underbrace{[6, 12]}
 \end{aligned}$$

# Slopes 1

- Linear approximation

$$f(x) = f(z) + f[z, x](x-z)$$

Krawczyk-Neumaier, Kolev

in 1D the slope is unique if continuous

$$f[z, x] = \frac{f(x) - f(z)}{x - z} \quad x \neq z$$

$$f[z, z] = f'(z)$$

- enclosure of the range

$$f(x) \in f(z) + f[z, \setminus x](\setminus x - z) \quad \forall x \in \setminus x$$

has quadratic approximation property.

- most general with interval center

$$f(\setminus x) \subseteq f(\setminus z) + f[\setminus z, \setminus x](\setminus x - \setminus z)$$

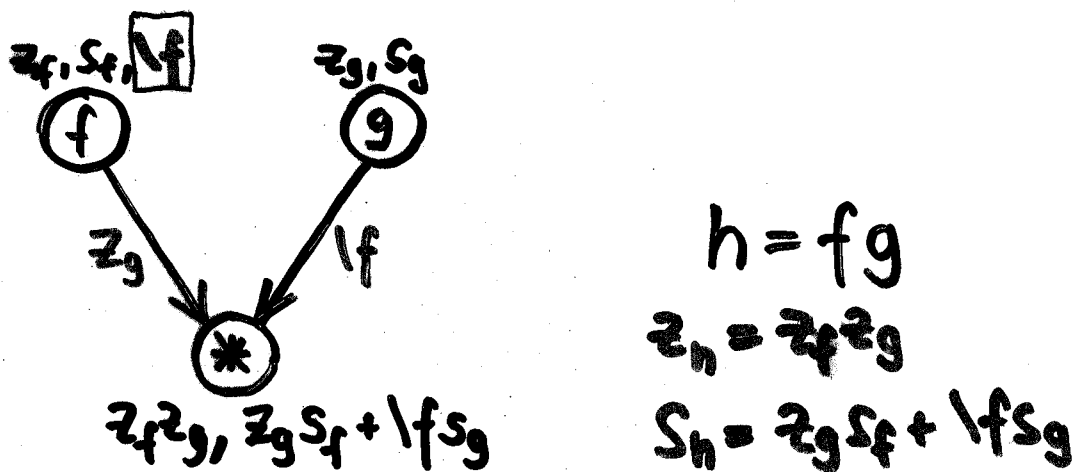
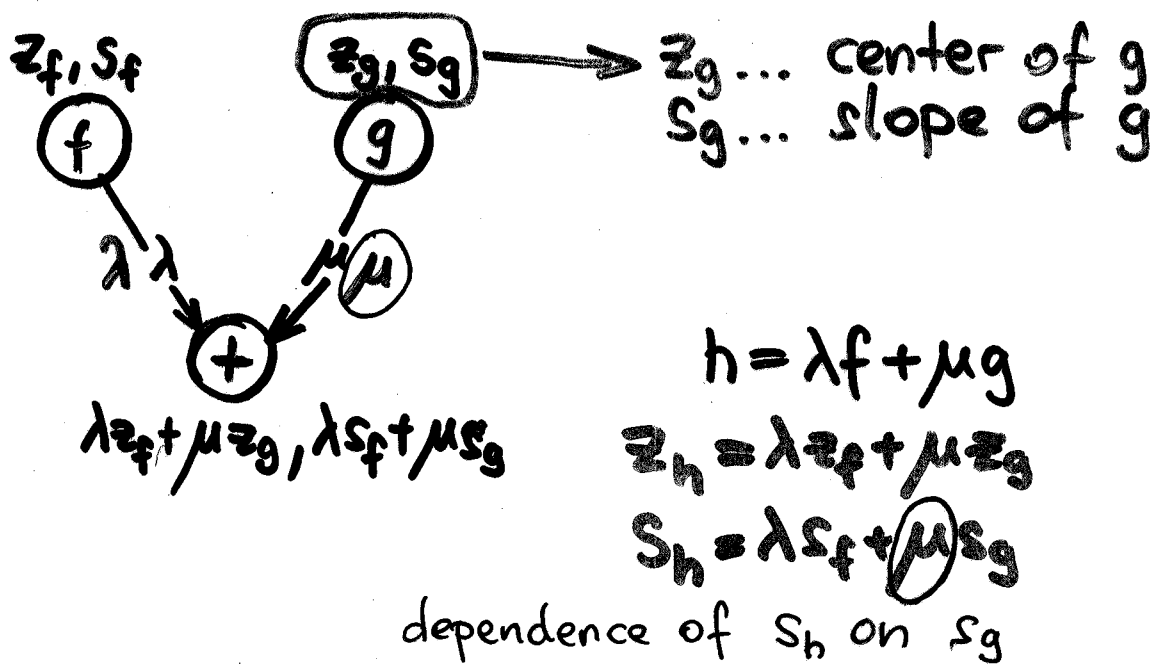
the special case  $\setminus x = \setminus z$  gives  
the interval derivative

$$f[\setminus z, \setminus z] = f'(\setminus z)$$



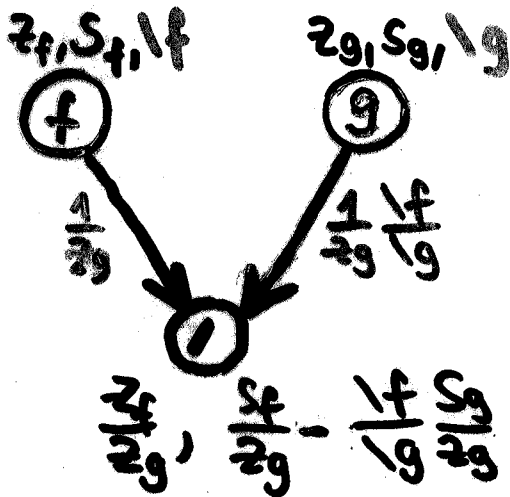
# Slopes 2

- slopes can be calculated automatically.
- on the DAG the recursive computation proceeds as follows:



$\lfloor f$  .. already known enclosure of f

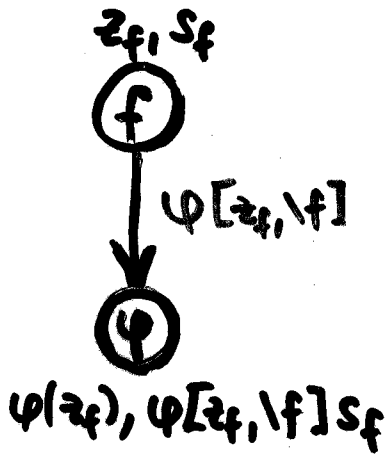
# Slopes 3



$$h = f/g$$

$$z_h = z_f / z_g$$

$$s_h = \frac{s_f}{z_g} - \frac{1}{z_g} \frac{s_g}{z_g}$$



$$h = \varphi(f)$$

$$z_h = \varphi(z_f)$$

$$s_h = \varphi'(z_f) s_f$$

• Slopes for elementary functions :

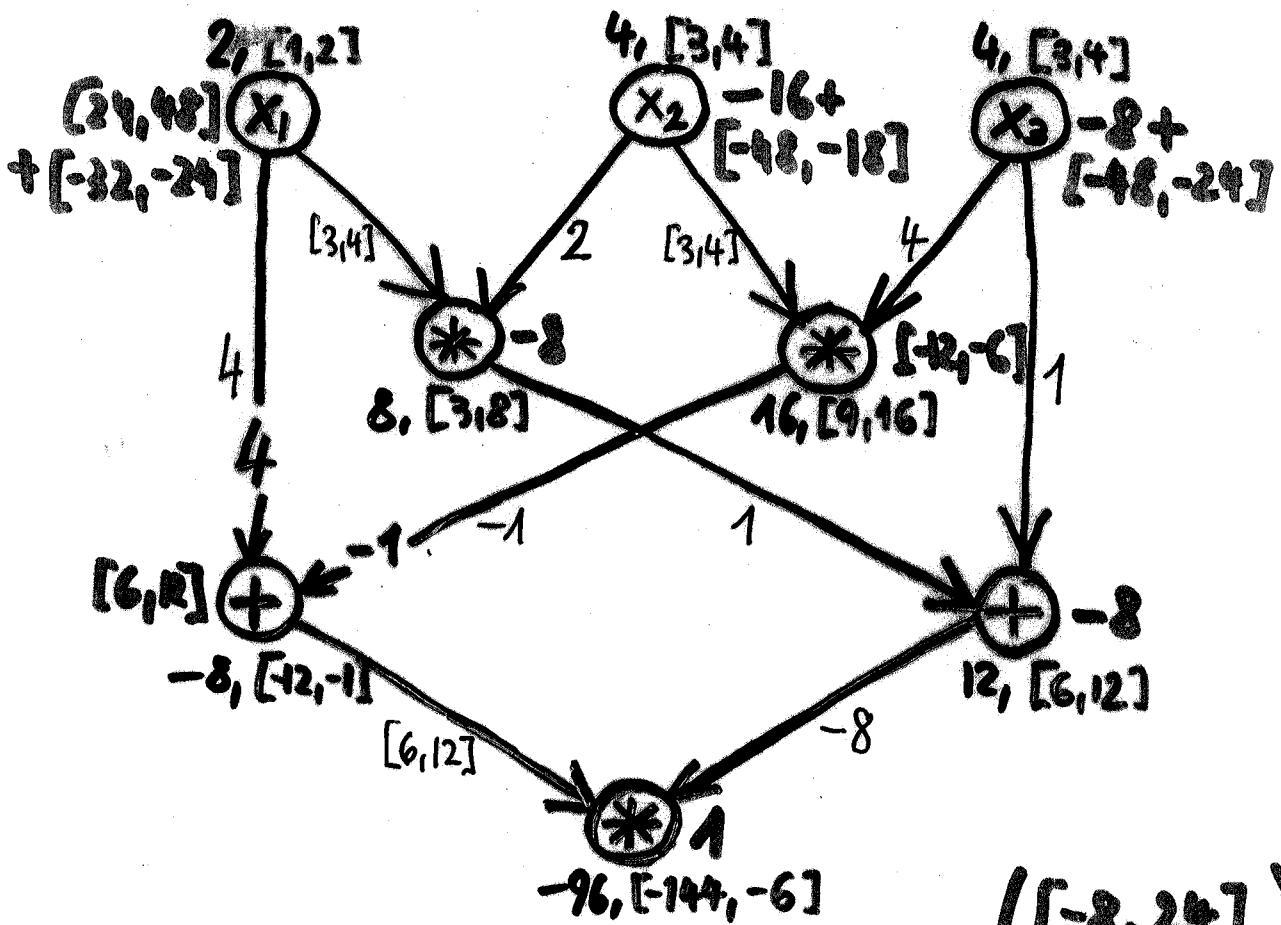
- Koler: optimal for concave, convex

$$\varphi[z, \setminus x] = \begin{cases} \varphi[z, x], \varphi[z, \bar{x}] \\ \text{if } z \in \setminus x \end{cases}$$

- otherwise

$$\varphi[z, \setminus x] \leq \varphi'(x) \text{ if } z \in \setminus x$$

# Backward Evaluation of Slopes



$$S = \begin{pmatrix} [-8, 24] \\ [-64, -34] \\ [-56, -32] \end{pmatrix}$$

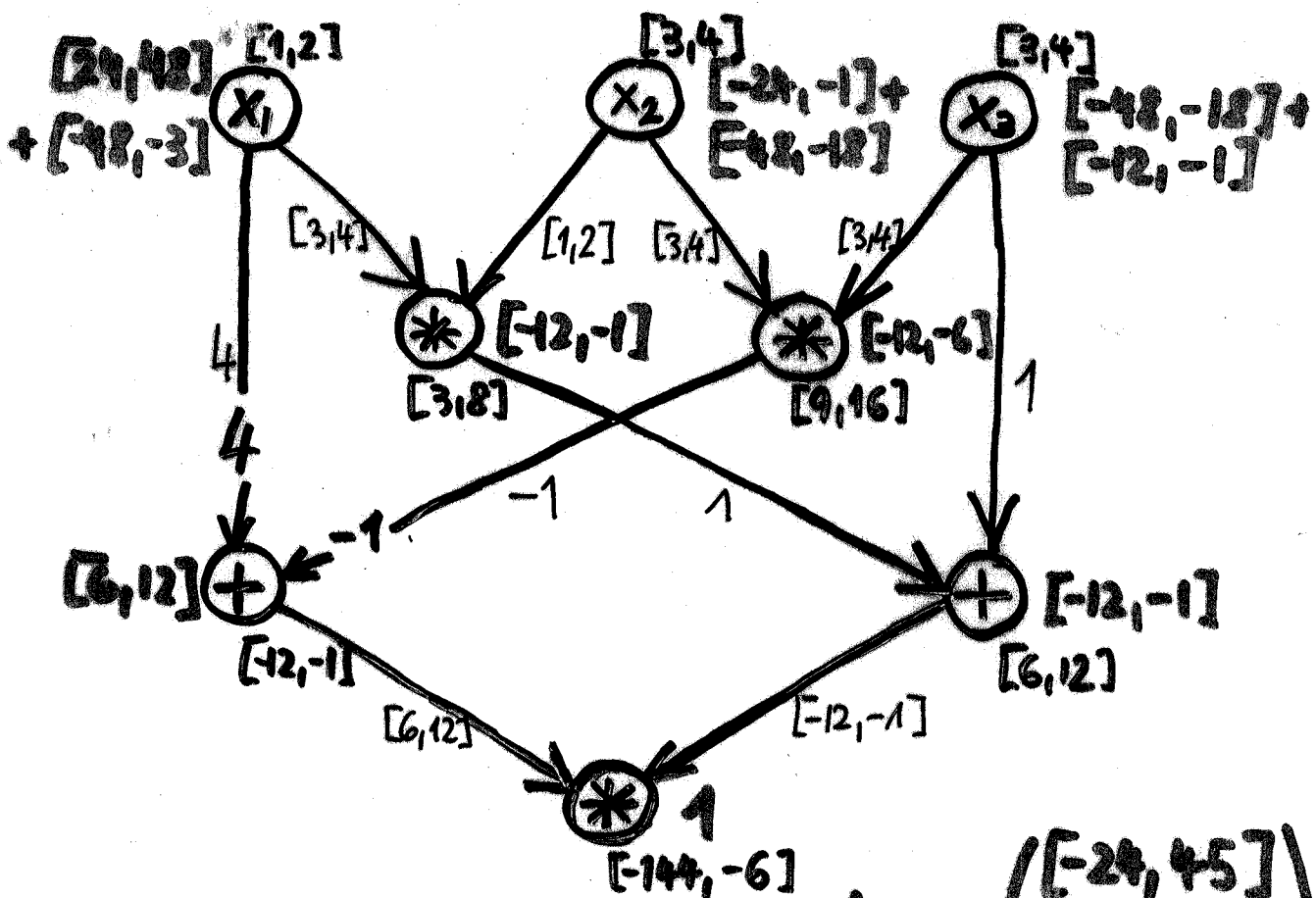
$$f(x) = (4x_1 - x_2x_3)(x_1x_2 + x_3)$$

- due to Bliok '91
- chain rule

$$(f \circ g)[z, x] = f[g(z), g(x)] g[z, x]$$

suggests backward evaluation like for gradients.

# Interval Derivative



$$f'(x) = \begin{pmatrix} [-24, 45] \\ [-72, -19] \\ [-60, -19] \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(x) = (4x_1 - x_2x_3)(x_1x_2 + x_3)$$

• uses the well known chain rule

$$(f \circ g)'(x) \subseteq f'(g(x))g'(x)$$

• is not better than slope

$$\begin{pmatrix} [-24, 45] \\ [-72, -19] \\ [-60, -19] \end{pmatrix} \not\supseteq \begin{pmatrix} [-8, 24] \\ [-64, -34] \\ [-56, -32] \end{pmatrix}$$

# Constraint Propagation 1

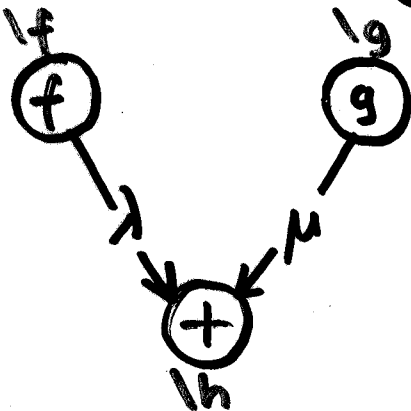
- search good feasible point

here:  $f(2,4,4) = -96 = f_{\text{best}}$

- introduce constraint

$$f(x) \leq f_{\text{best}}$$

- propagate ranges through the DAG until no significant improvement happens



$$h = \lambda f + \mu g$$

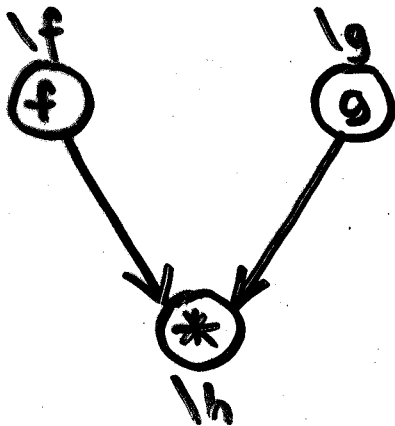
forward propagation

$$\lambda h := (\lambda \lambda f + \mu \lambda g) \cap \lambda h$$

backward propagation

$$\lambda f := \frac{1}{\lambda} (\lambda h - \mu \lambda g) \cap \lambda f$$

$$\lambda g := \frac{1}{\mu} (\lambda h - \lambda \lambda f) \cap \lambda g$$



$$h = fg$$

forward propagation

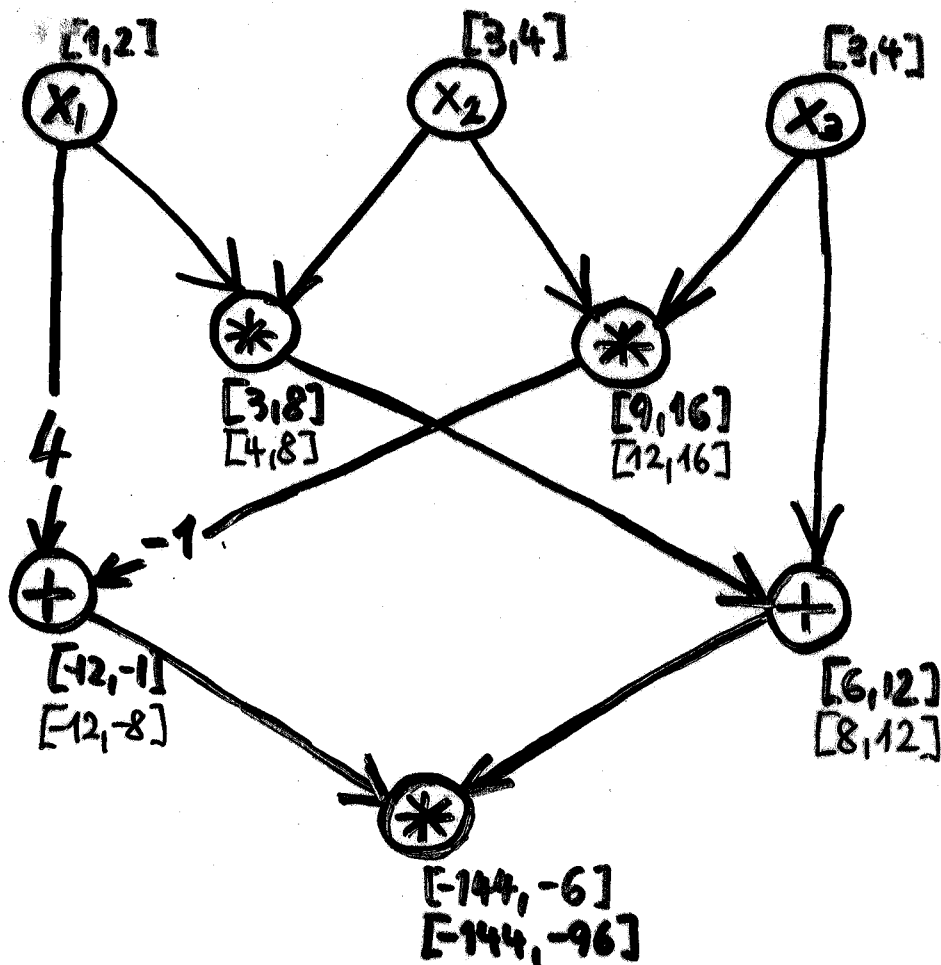
$$\lambda h := (\lambda f \cdot \lambda g) \cap \lambda h$$

backward propagation

$$\lambda f := (\lambda h / \lambda g) \cap \lambda f$$

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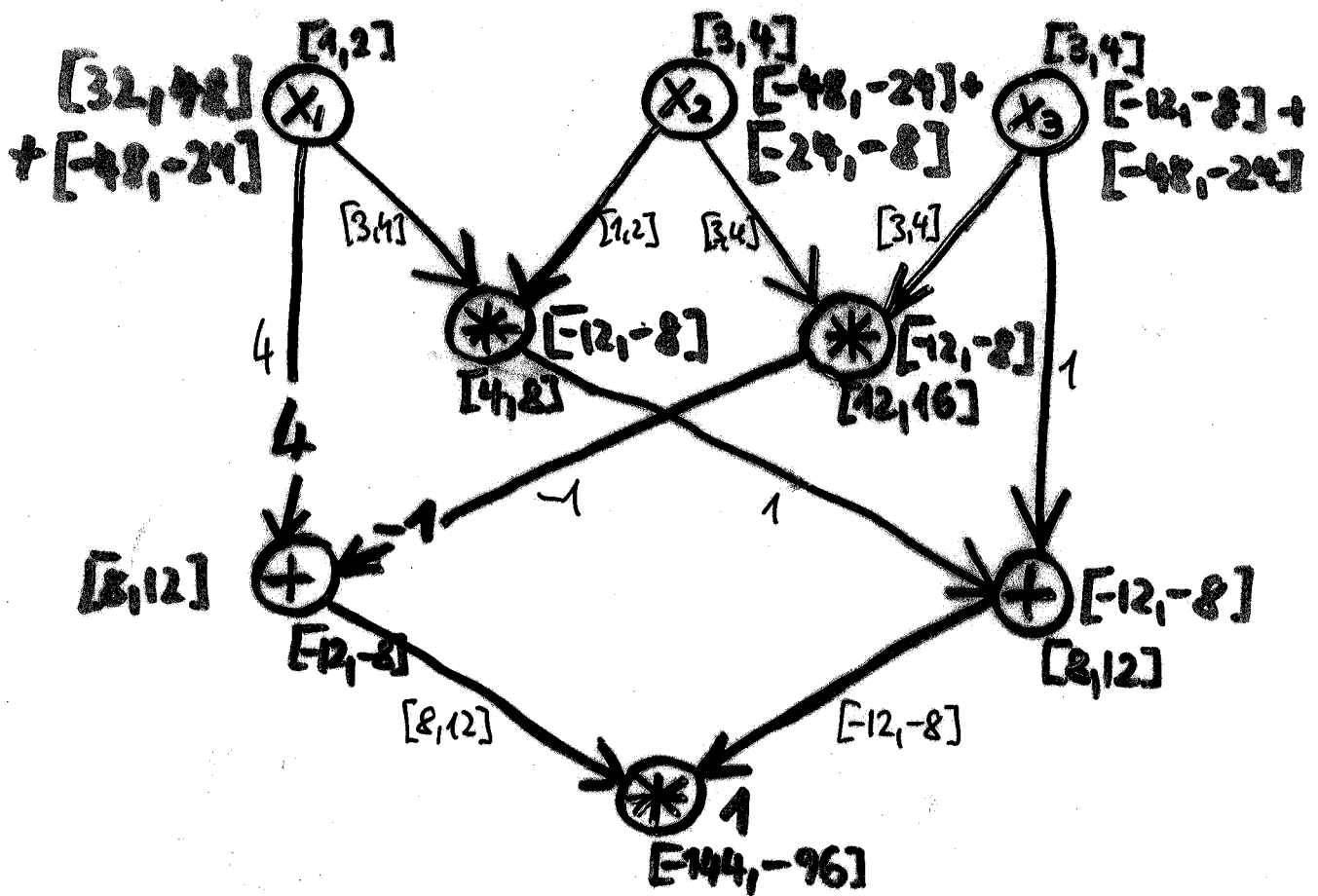
# Constraint propagation 2



$$f(x) = (4x_1 - x_2x_3)(x_1x_2 + x_3)$$

- introduce  $f(x) \leq -96$
- perform backward and forward propagation until no significant change happens

# Interval derivative after CP

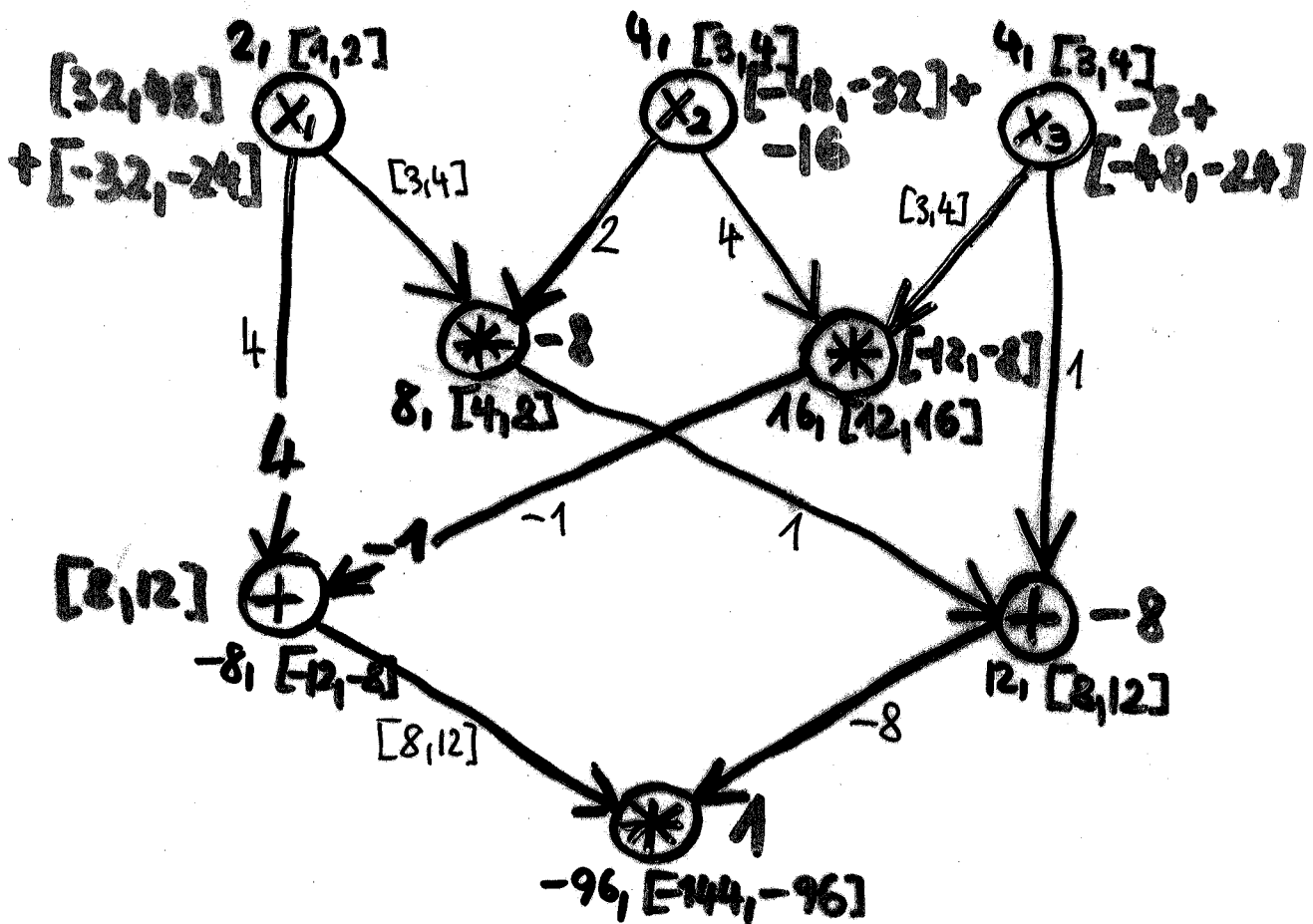


$$f(x) = (4x_1 - x_2x_3)(x_1x_2 + x_3)$$

- keep propagated ranges and use them during calculation
- gives better enclosures than usual method

$$\begin{pmatrix} [-16, 24] \\ [-72, -32] \\ [-60, -32] \end{pmatrix} \not\subseteq \begin{pmatrix} [-24, 45] \\ [-72, -19] \\ [-60, -19] \end{pmatrix}$$

# Slopes after CP



$$f(x) = (4x_1 - x_2x_3)(x_1x_2 + x_3)$$

- improves as well

$$\begin{pmatrix} [0, 24] \\ [-64, -48] \\ [-56, -32] \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} [-8, 24] \\ [-64, -34] \\ [-56, -32] \end{pmatrix}$$



# Implementation 1

## A. Rounding errors and guaranteed enclosures

$$f(x) \stackrel{?}{\in} f(z) + f[z, x](x-z)$$

due to rounding errors this cannot be guaranteed to be an enclosure

$$f(x) \in \setminus f + f[z_f, x](x-z_f) \quad \forall x \in \setminus x$$

with  $f(z_f) \in \setminus f$

$$g(y) \in \setminus g + g[z_g, y](y-z_g) \quad \forall y \in \setminus y$$

$$g(f(x)) \in \setminus g + g[z_g, y](\setminus f + f[z_f, x](x-z_f) - z_g)$$

if  $f(x) \in \setminus y \quad \forall x \in \setminus x$

$$\subseteq \setminus g + g[z_g, y](\setminus f - z_g) + g[z_g, y]f[z_f, x](x-z_f)$$

here should be  $z_g \approx f(z_f)$

## Implementation 2

B. what to compute forward,  
what backward?

in addition to before consider

$$h(t) \in \setminus h + h[z_h, t](1t - z_h)$$

and

$$h(g(f(x))) \subseteq \dots$$

$$\dots \subseteq \setminus h + h[z_h, t](\setminus g - z_h + g[z_g, y](\setminus f - z_f)) + \\ + h[z_h, t]g[z_g, y]f[z_f, x](1x - z_f)$$

if everything is computed backward:

$$\rightarrow h[z_h, t](1g - z_h) + h[z_h, t]g[z_g, y](1f - z_f)$$

which is a worse enclosure by

subdistributivity  $(|a|(b+c) \subseteq |a|b + |a|c)$

so the center should be computed in  
forward mode

# Implementation 3

## C. Slopes of \* and /:

- non unique

$$x_1 x_2 \in z_1 z_2 + \begin{pmatrix} \lambda x_2 + (1-\lambda) z_2 \\ \lambda z_1 + (1-\lambda) x_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - z_1 \\ x_2 - z_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{x_2} \in \frac{z_1}{z_2} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\lambda}{z_2} + \frac{(1-\lambda)}{x_2} \\ -\frac{\lambda}{z_2} \frac{x_1}{x_2} - \frac{1-\lambda}{x_2} \frac{z_1}{z_2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - z_1 \\ x_2 - z_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

- which one is best, and in what sense?

- for / we can use  $\frac{x_1}{x_2}$  after CP for  $\lambda=1$ , which in addition has no subdistributivity problems in backward evaluation

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{z_2} \\ -\frac{1}{z_2} \frac{x_1}{x_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

- for \* we can minimize the width of the resulting range

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \text{rad}(x_1) |z_2| \leq \text{rad}(x_2) |z_1| \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- avoid case distinction by ordering products
- Horner scheme gives hint
- sort by ascending complexity of factors (i.e. roughly, increasing overest.)
- set  $\lambda=0$