

A Decidable Logic for Tree Data-Structures with Measurements

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Overview

Logical reasoning about tree data-structures has been needed in various scenarios such as program verification, compiler optimization and program synthesis.



WHAT are measurements?

Height, Size, Black Height for Red-Black Trees...

- tree balancing routine does not increase the height of tree
- compiler optimizer always reduces the size of the program



WHY are they challenging?

- Aggregate functions determined by whole tree
- Tangled with data properties (e.g., sortedness) and shape properties (e.g., balancedness)



HOW we solve this problem?

Dryad_{dec}: A **decidable** logic that handles shape, data and measurements **in tandem**

Dryad_{dec}

A decidable **fragment** of Dryad logic

- Capable of describing various tree data-structures, e.g., AVL trees, red-black trees...
- Allow user-provided recursive predicates/functions defined on **trees**

Examples for binary trees rooted by x :

- Non-Measure Function** $non_measure_f^*$:
monotonically increasing/decreasing

$$max_key(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ite \left(isNil(x), -\infty, \max \left(\begin{matrix} max_key(x.left), \\ max_key(x.right), \\ x.key \end{matrix} \right) \right)$$

- General Predicate** gp^* :
involve $non_measure_f^* + gp^*$

$$sorted(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ite \left(isNil(x), true, \bigwedge \left(\begin{matrix} sorted(x.left), \\ sorted(x.right), \\ \max(x.left) \leq x.key \leq \min(x.right) \end{matrix} \right) \right)$$

- Measure Function** $measure_f^*$:
allow **only differences between the same** $measure_f^*$

$$black_height(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ite \left(isNil(x), 0, \max \left(black_height(x.left), black_height(x.right) \right) + ite(x.isblack, 1, 0) \right)$$

- Measure-Related Predicate** mp^* :
involve $measure_f^* + non_measure_f^*$

$$avl(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ite \left(isNil(x), true, \bigwedge \left(\begin{matrix} avl(x.left), \\ avl(x.right), \\ |height(x.left) - height(x.right)| \leq 1 \end{matrix} \right) \right)$$

Decidability

Crux of decidability Proof: Small Model Property

A $Dryad_{dec}$ formula is satisfiable only if it is satisfied by a model of bounded size.

Obtain Small Model Property:

- Preserve **witness node** for non-measure functions

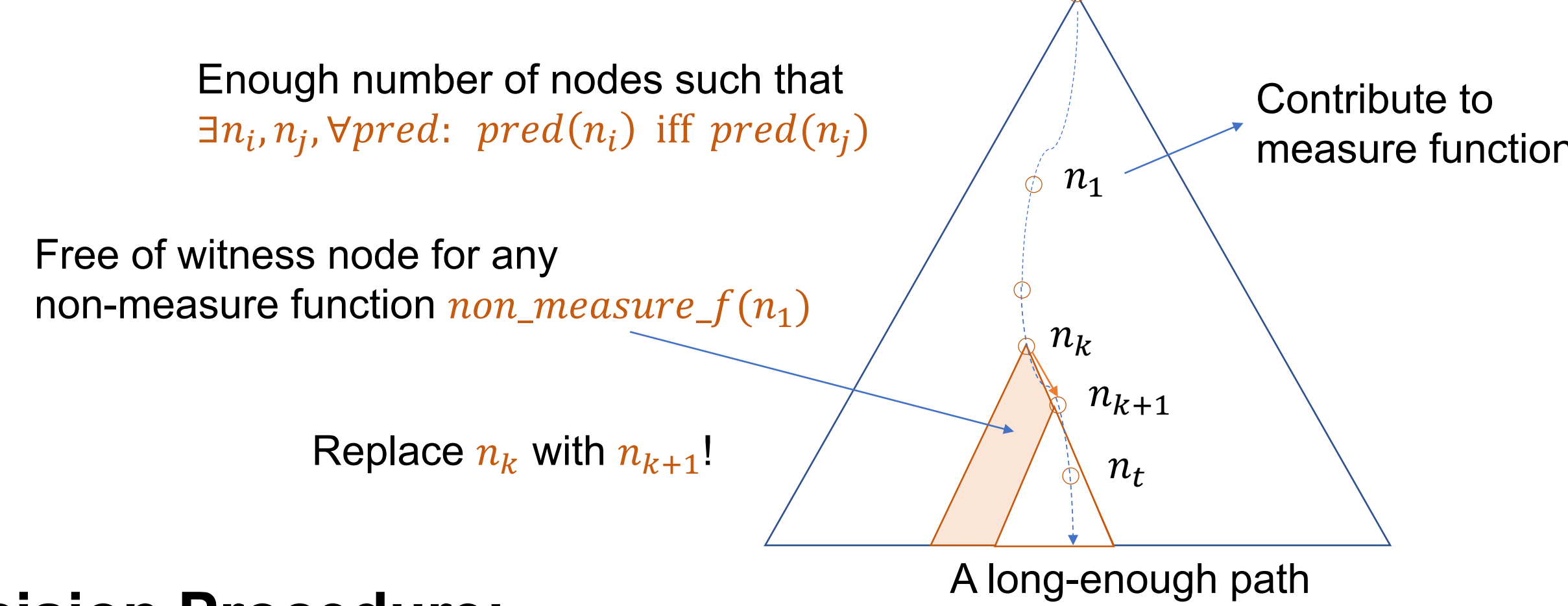
Example: $max_key(x)$: node store maximal key in tree

- Preserve **measurement differences** by tailoring both two trees

$$height(x_1) - height(x_2)$$

why only differences between measure functions are allowed

Sketch of Proof:



Decision Procedure:

- Analytically compute height/size bound
- Search every possible tree within bound
- Reduce to linear arithmetic formula
- The satisfiability is in **NEXPTIME**

Application: Checking Fusibility of Tree Traversals

Requirements for fused traversals:

- Perform identical operations
- Do not violate dependencies

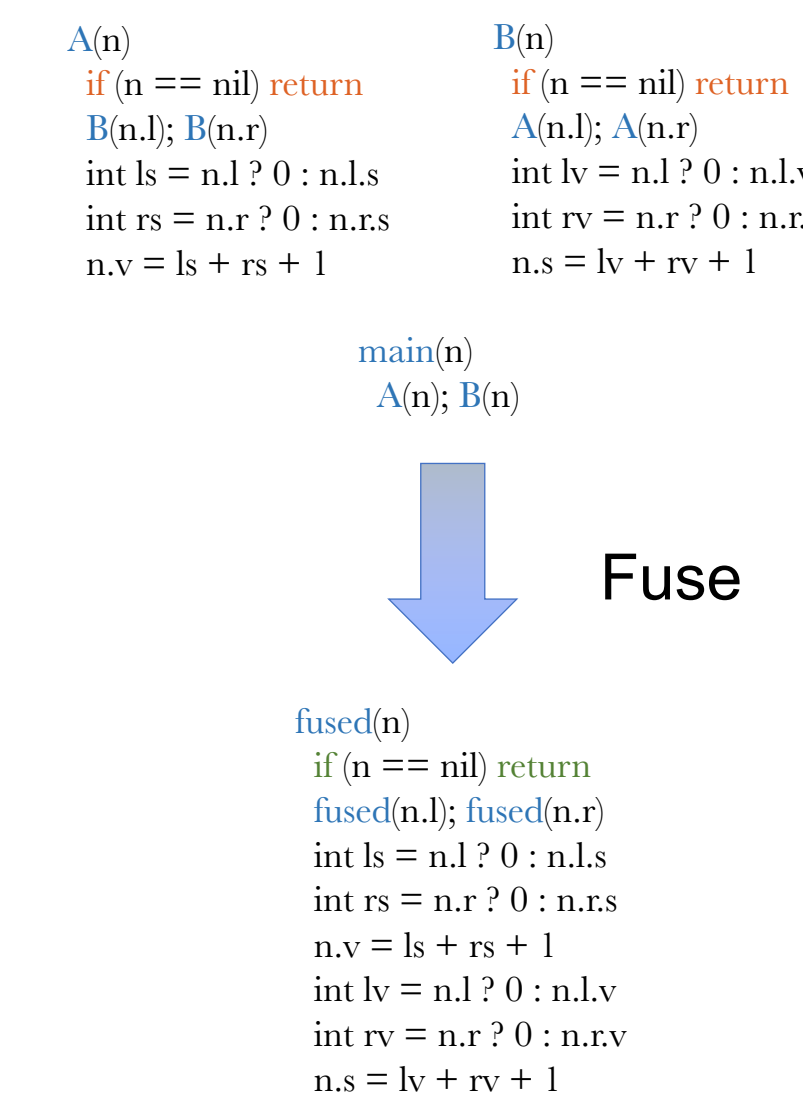
Encode fusibility into predicates:

- dp : dependency of unfused traversals
- $sched$: schedule of fused traversal
- Check $sched(x) \wedge \neg dp(x)$ for every possible schedule

Experiment:

- Mutual recursion
- Post-order before pre-order

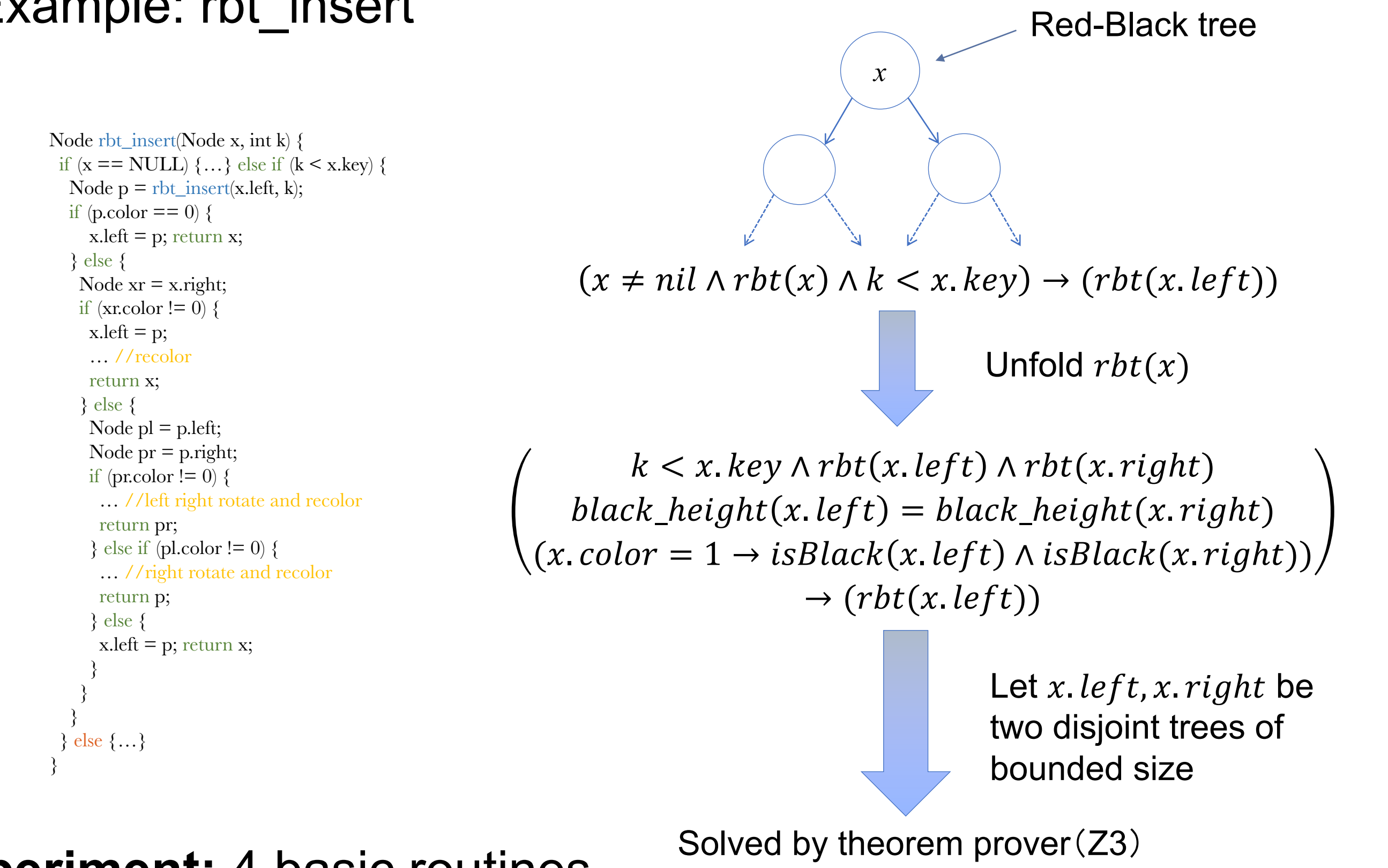
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Mutual-rec	4	<3	Yes
	20	6-12	No
Post-pre	2	<1	Yes
	22	<1	No



Application: Verifying Tree-Manipulating Programs

VC Generation:

- Unfold recursive definitions across footprint
- Unfold remaining recursive definitions for bounded times
- Example: rbt_insert



Experiment: 4 basic routines

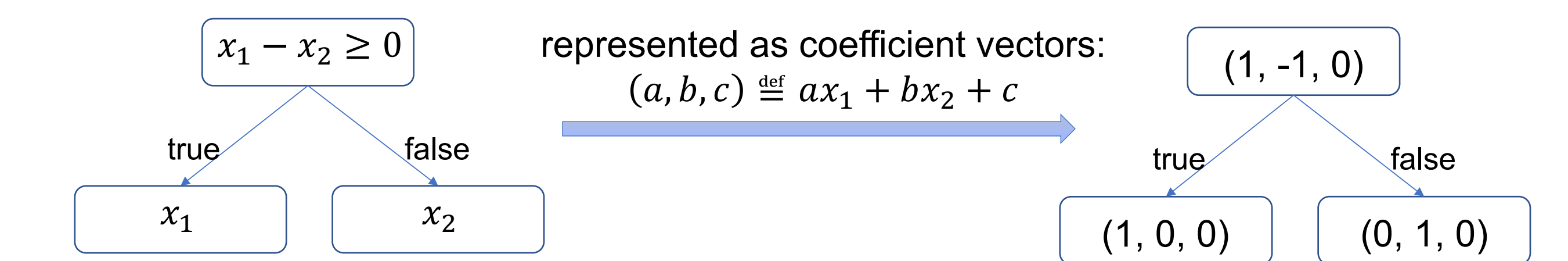
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AVL-insert(balancedness)	11	<1	AVL-insert(sortedness)	7	<1
RBT-insert(balancedness)	13	<1	RBT-insert(sortedness)	2	<2
Treap-insert	3	<1	RBT-insert(sortedness)	11	<1
	3	<100		2	<2
	1	153.59	BST-insert	5	<1

Application: Synthesizing CLIA Functions

- CEGIS framework:
 $\exists f. \forall \vec{x}. spec_f(\vec{x}) \longrightarrow \exists f. \bigwedge_{e \in G} spec_f(e)$

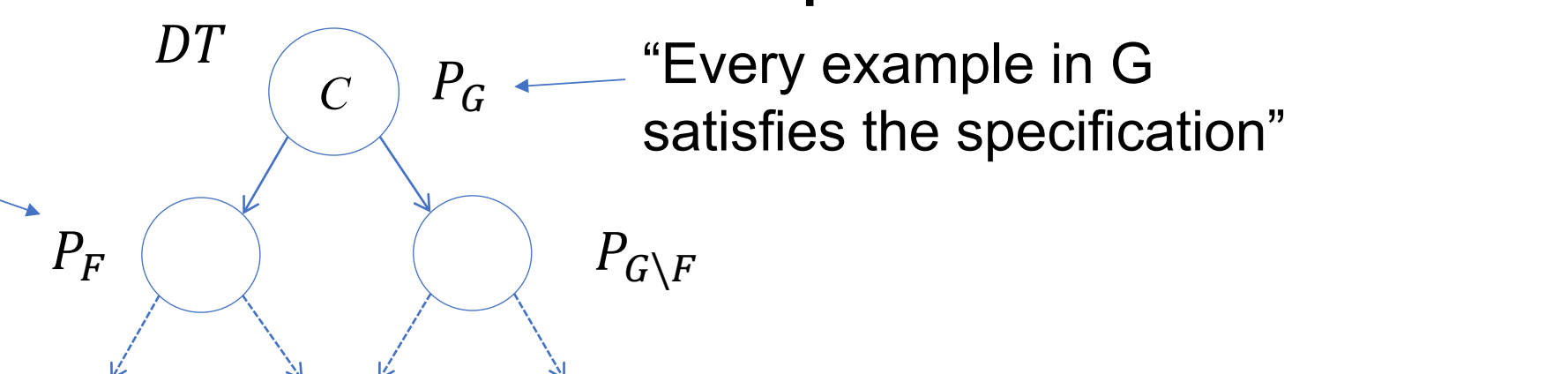
- Decision tree representation

Example: specification: $max2(x_1, x_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} if\ x_1 \geq x_2\ then\ x_1\ else\ x_2$ counterexample set: G



- Encode synthesis problem into recursive predicates

“Every example in F satisfies the specification”
 $F = \{e \in G | e \text{ satisfies } C\}$



Task: Find a decision tree DT which root satisfy predicate P_G

Experiment: $max15$
obtained and solved
15 formulas

