

Constraint microKanren in the CLP Scheme

Jason Hemann

Chair: Daniel Friedman

Committee: Amr Sabry

Sam Tobin-Hochstadt

Larry Moss

12-20-2019



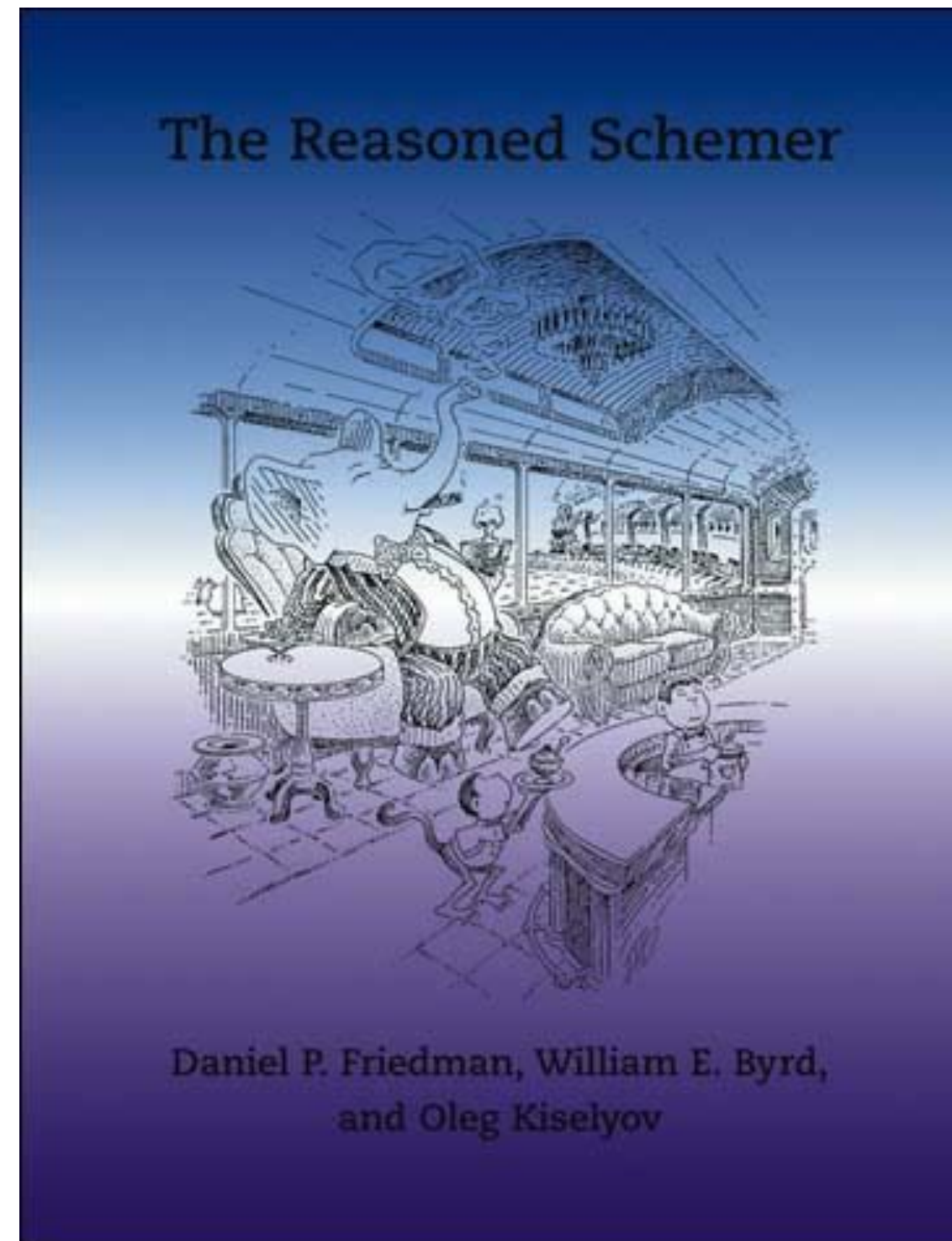
I want Prolog to help
solve this problem!



What's a Prolog?

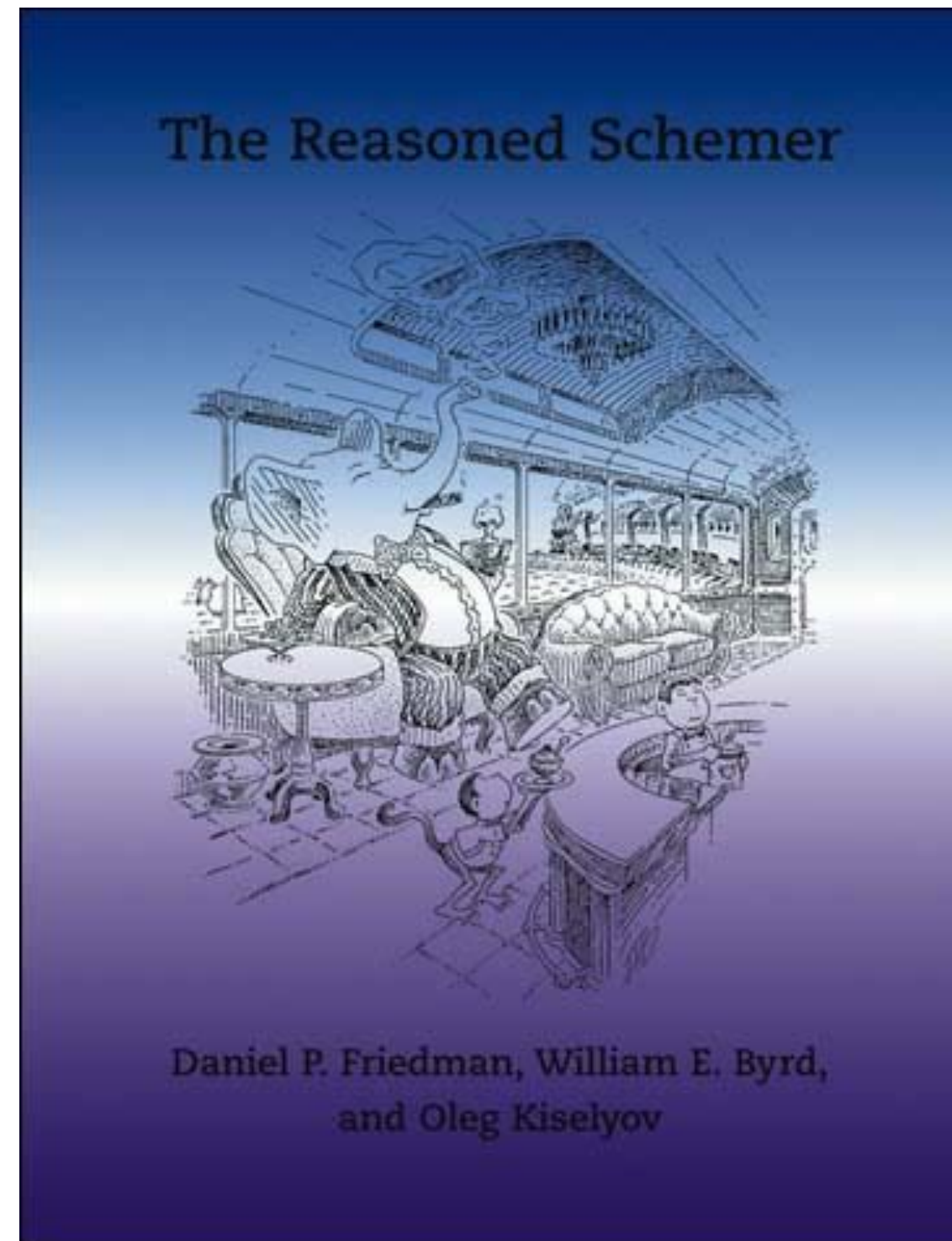


“Kanren Approach”



“Kanren Approach”

“little” LP DSL

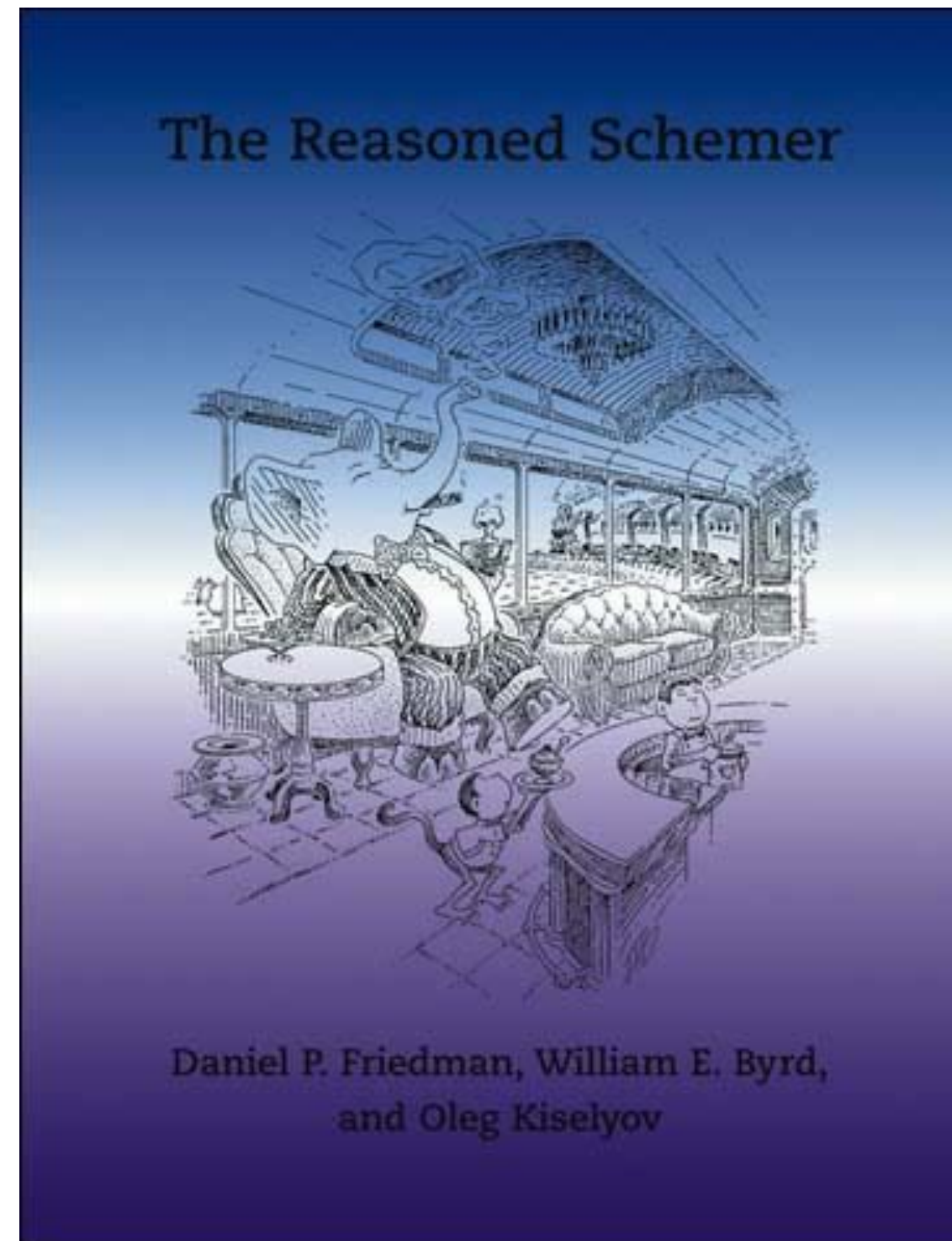


“Kanren Approach”

pure

“little” LP DSL

negation free



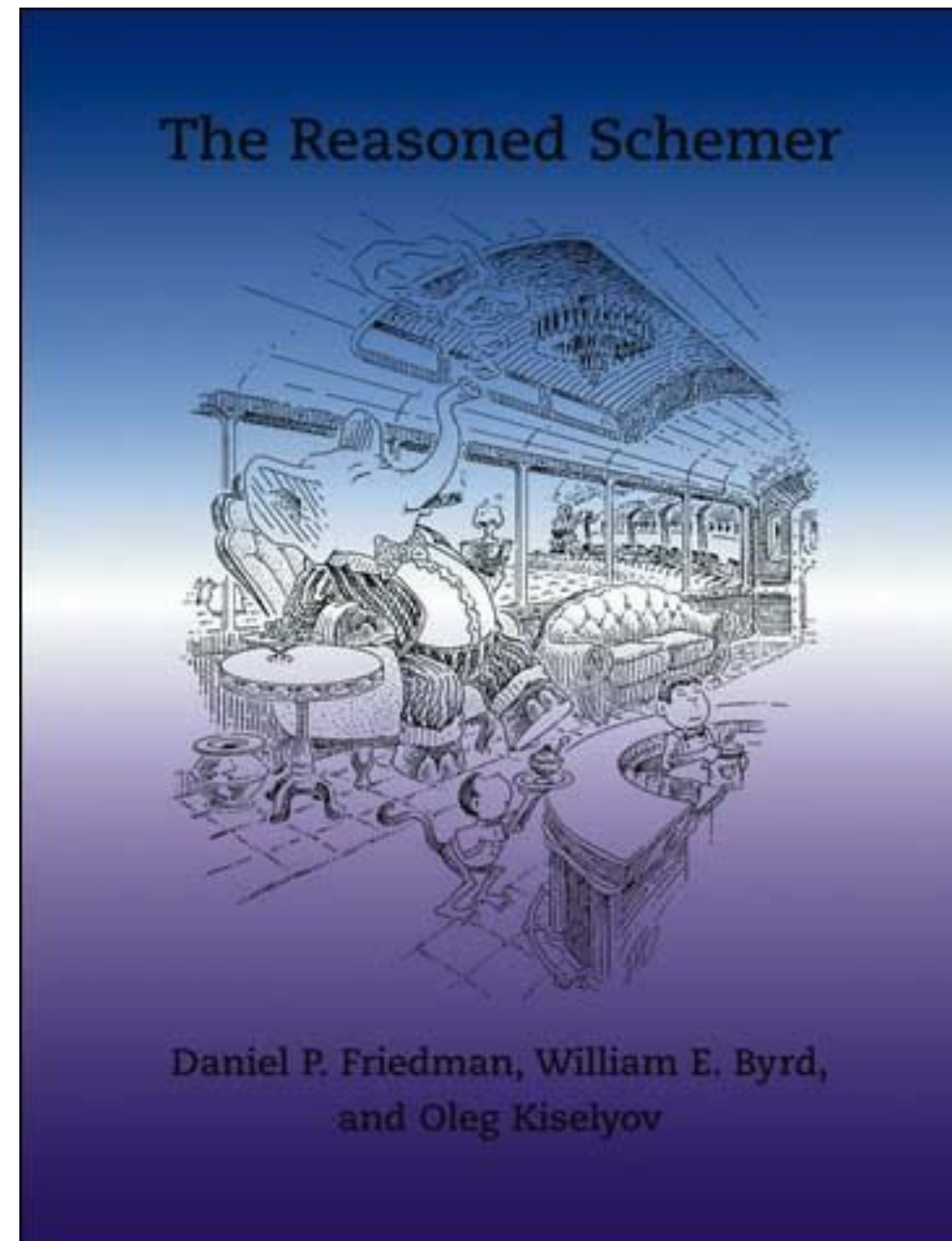
“Kanren Approach”

pure

“little” LP DSL

negation free

programmed in the completion



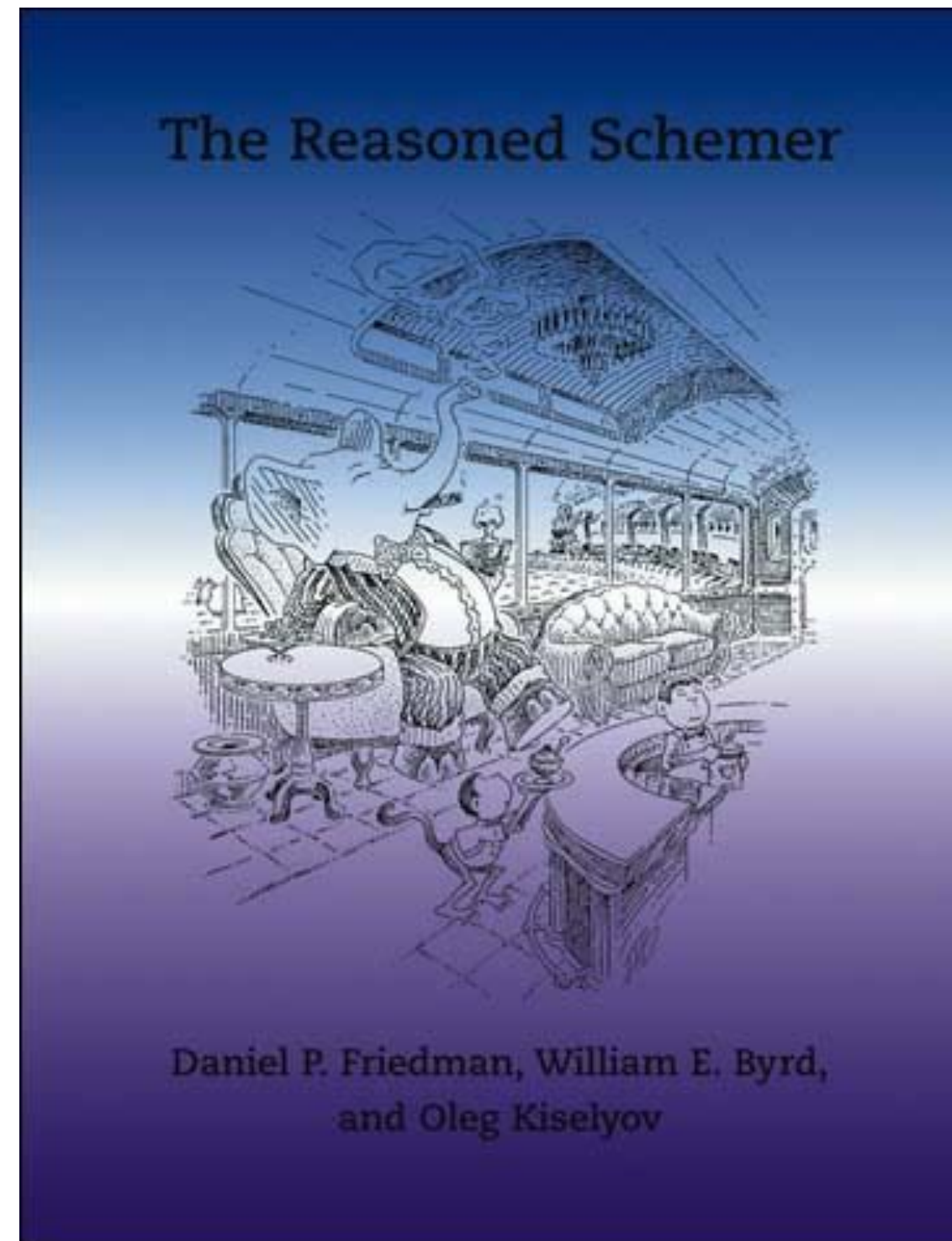
“Kanren Approach”

pure

“little” LP DSL

negation free

programmed in the completion

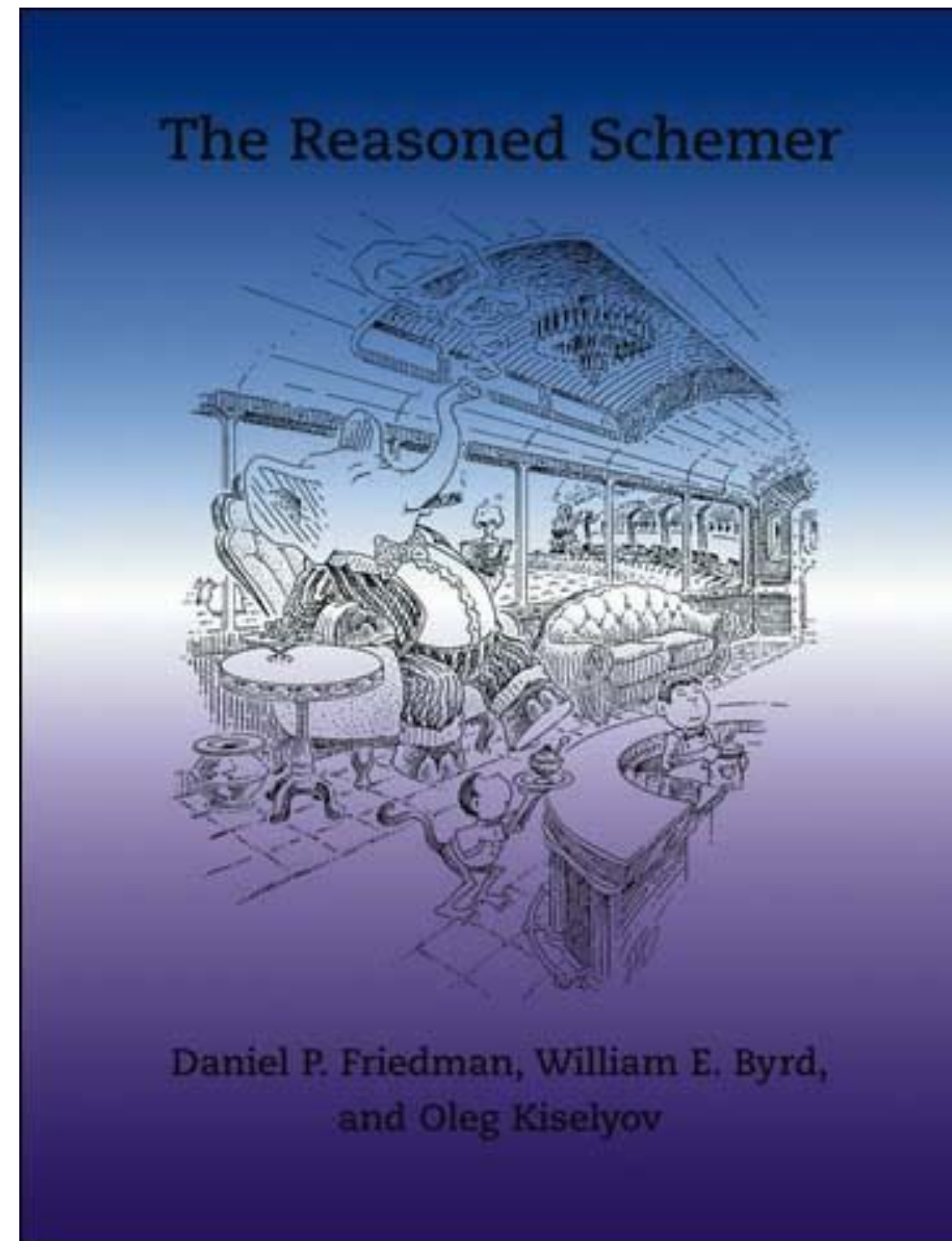


embedded implementation

shallowly embedded

via pure FP

“Kanren Approach”



pure

embedded implementation

“little” LP DSL

shallowly embedded

via pure FP

negation free

with an interleaving search

programmed in the completion

and additional constraints

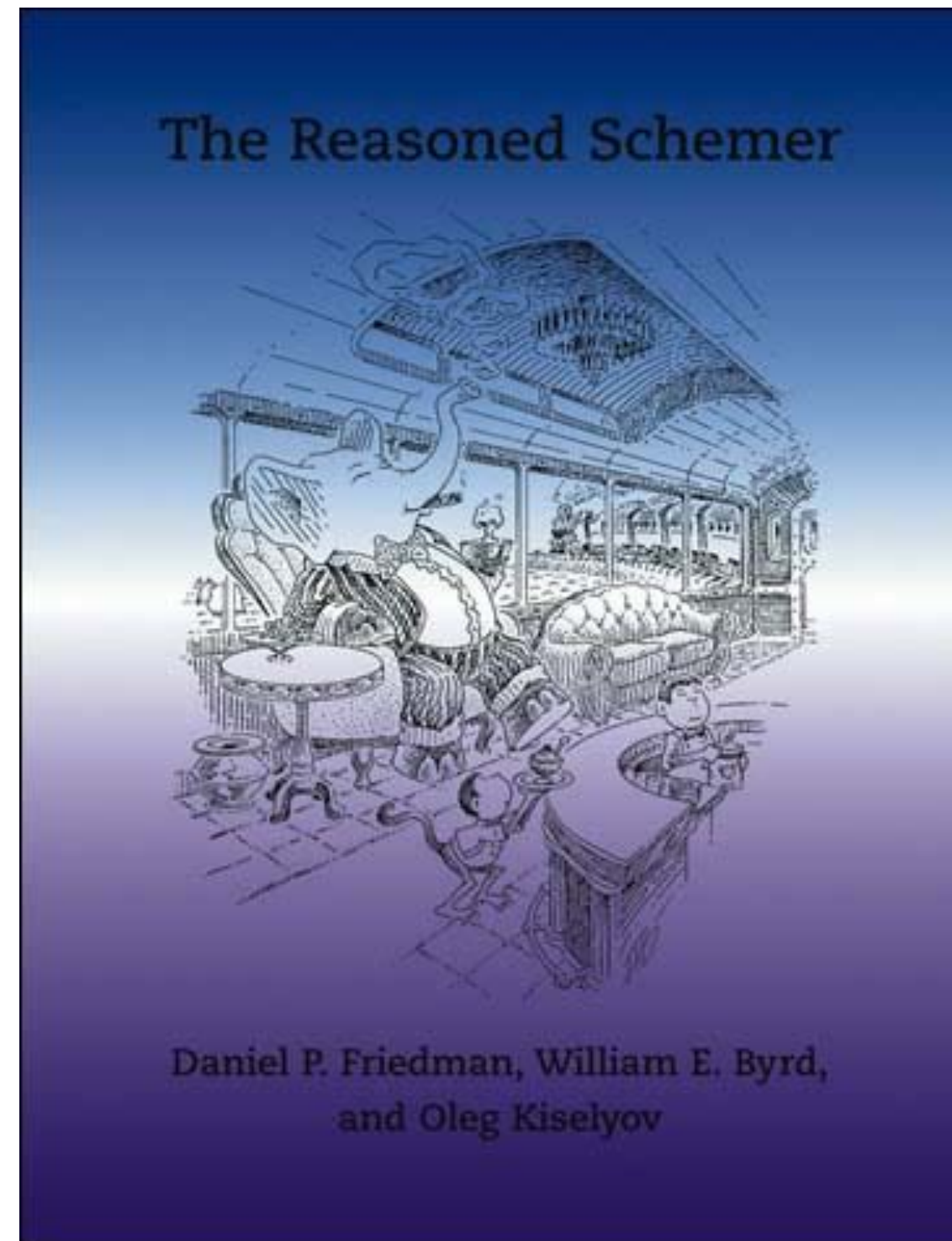
“Kanren Approach”

(Robinson 1981)
pure

(Elcock 1989)
“little” LP DSL

(Van Emden & Kowalski 1976)
negation free

(Clark 1972)
programmed in the completion



(Robinson 1981, Seres & Spivey 2001)
with an interleaving search

(Robinson 1981)
embedded implementation

(Felleisen 1985)
shallowly embedded

(Hinze 1998, Seres & Spivey 2001)
via pure FP

(Roussel 1972, Colmerauer 1982)
and additional constraints

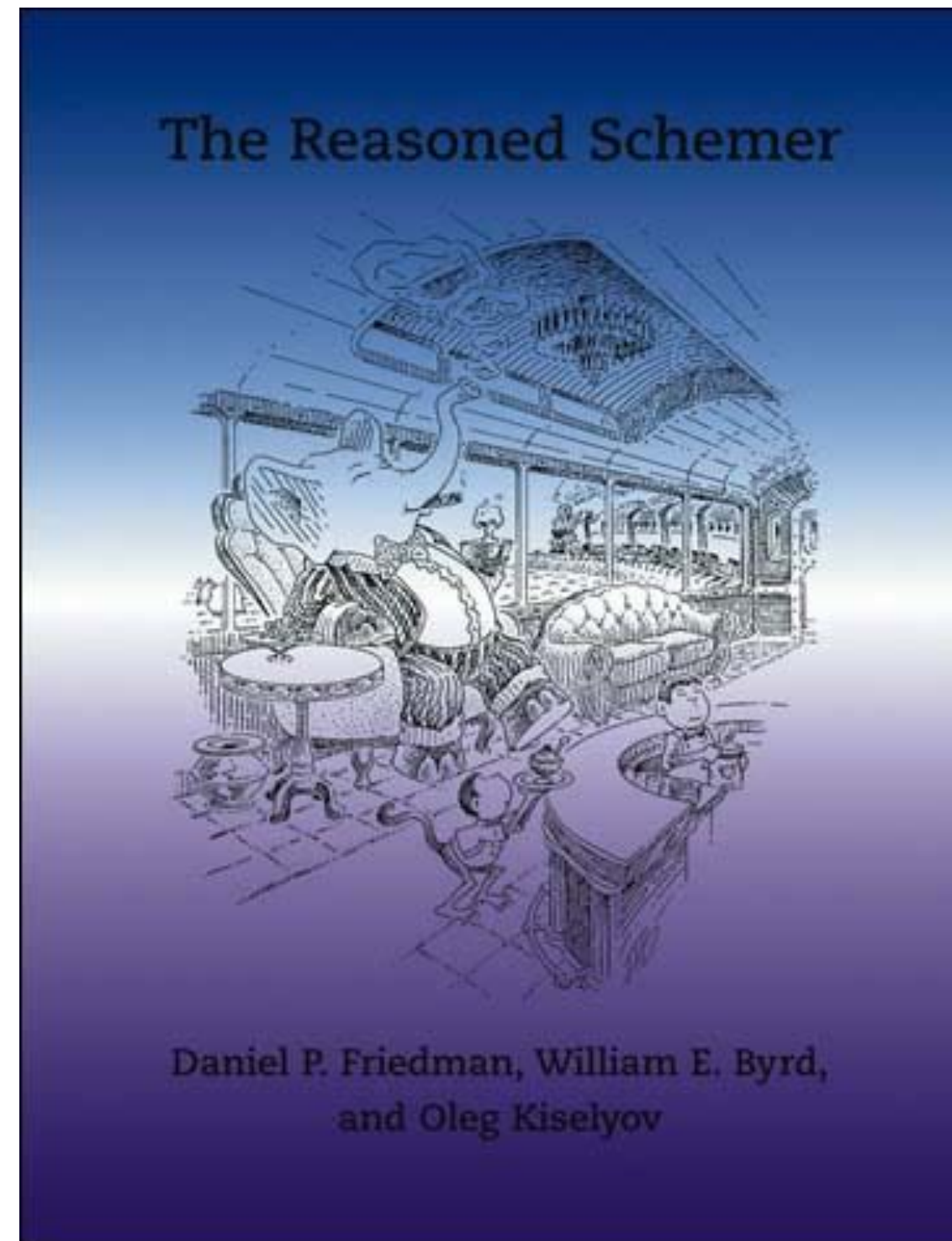
“Kanren Approach”

(Robinson 1981)
pure

(Elcock 1989)
“little” LP DSL

(Van Emden & Kowalski 1976)
negation free

(Clark 1972)
programmed in the completion



(Robinson 1981)
embedded implementation

(Felleisen 1985)
shallowly embedded

(Hinze 1998, Seres & Spivey 2001)
via pure FP

(Robinson 1981, Seres & Spivey 2001)
with an interleaving search

(Roussel 1972, Colmerauer 1982)
and additional constraints



Commingle Syntax and Control

- limits uptake to host languages with macros
- obscures simpler, intended interleaving behavior

Compounded by “Constraints”

- Describes **maybe** $mK(X)$ — "Don't be so open minded ..."
- Large implementations, unwieldy semantics
- No leveraging of scale or repetition
- Whither negation?

Compounded by “Constraints”

- Describes **maybe** $mK(X)$ — "Don't be so open minded ..."
- Large implementations, unwieldy semantics
- No leveraging of scale or repetition
- Whither negation?

microKanren + constraints



Inbox x



William Byrd

Mar 25 (5 days ago) ☆



to Jason, Daniel ▾

Hey Jason!

What is the state of microKanren + constraints? Is the implementation able to handle `≠`, `absento`, `symbolo`, `numero`? Can it handle CLP(FD)? Might it integrate with SMT?

How fast is the impl? Does it use attributed variables?

Could we build evalo/Barliman on top of it?

faster-miniKanren + Barliman is way too unwieldy (5K lines or more), and the complexity and fragility are starting to seriously slow down our research, and makes it much harder to teach the ideas.

Thanks!

--Will

unwieldy

unwieldy
complex

unwieldy
complex
fragile

unwieldy

complex

fragile

seriously slowing research

unwieldy

complex

fragile

seriously slowing research

obscures the basic ideas

My Thesis

A wide class of miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions over a small kernel logic programming language with interrelated semantics parameterized by their constraint systems, and this characterization bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks with pure relational programming

Roadmap

- miniKanren, briefly
- a small kernel logic programming language
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- generalizing to constraints
- interrelated semantics
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- constraint system framework
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks

Roadmap

- miniKanren, briefly
- a small kernel logic programming language
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- generalizing to constraints
- interrelated semantics
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- constraint system framework
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks

Language Examples

Welcome to Racket v7.4.

>

Language Examples

Welcome to Racket v7.4.

```
> (define-relation (member x ls o)
  (fresh (a d)
    (== ls `(,a . ,d))
    (conde
      ((== x a) (== ls o))
      ((member x d o))))))
>
```

Language Examples

Welcome to Racket v7.4.

```
> (define-relation (member x ls o)
  (fresh (a d)
    (== ls `(,a . ,d))
    (conde
      ((== x a) (== ls o))
      ((member x d o))))))
> (run* (q) (member 'x '(a x c) q))
'((x c))
>
```

Language Examples

Welcome to Racket v7.4.

```
> (define-relation (member x ls o)
  (fresh (a d)
    (== ls `(,a . ,d))
    (conde
      ((== x a) (== ls o))
      ((member x d o))))))
> (run* (q) (member 'x '(a x c) q))
'((x c))
> (run* (q) (member q '(a x c) '(x c)))
'(x)
>
```



HOST



HOST



EDSL



HOST



EDSL



INTERPRETER



HOST



EDSL



INTERPRETER



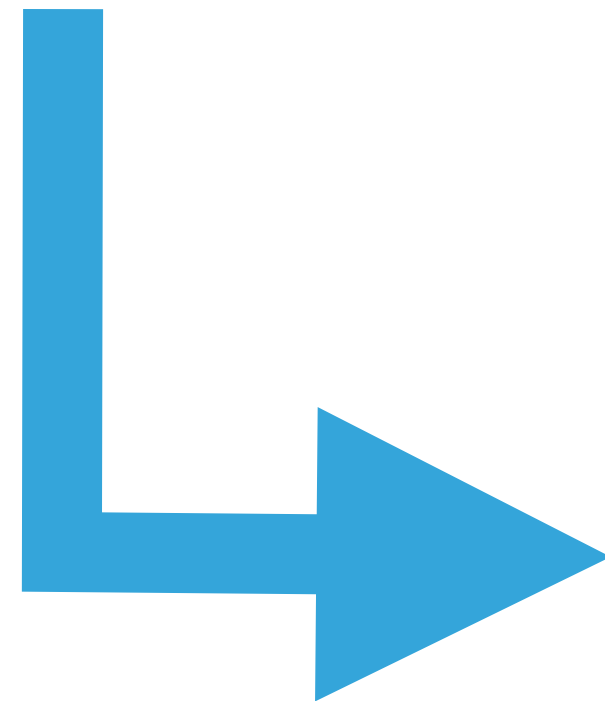
INTERPRETER



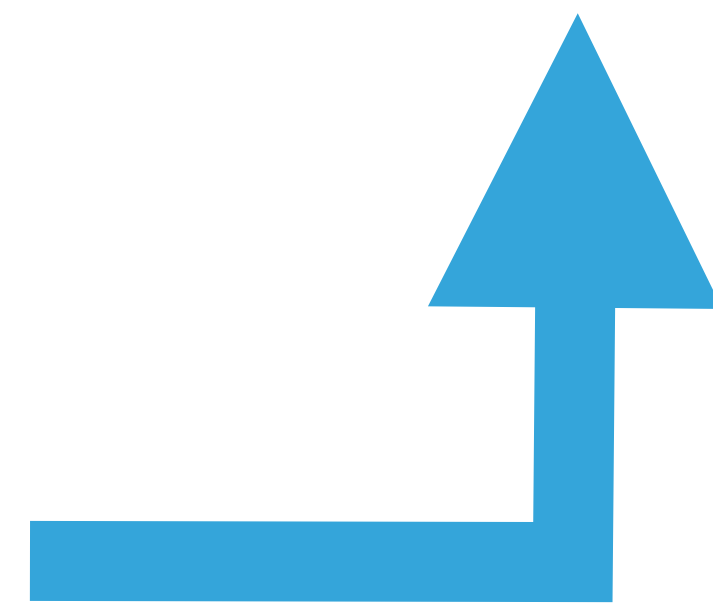
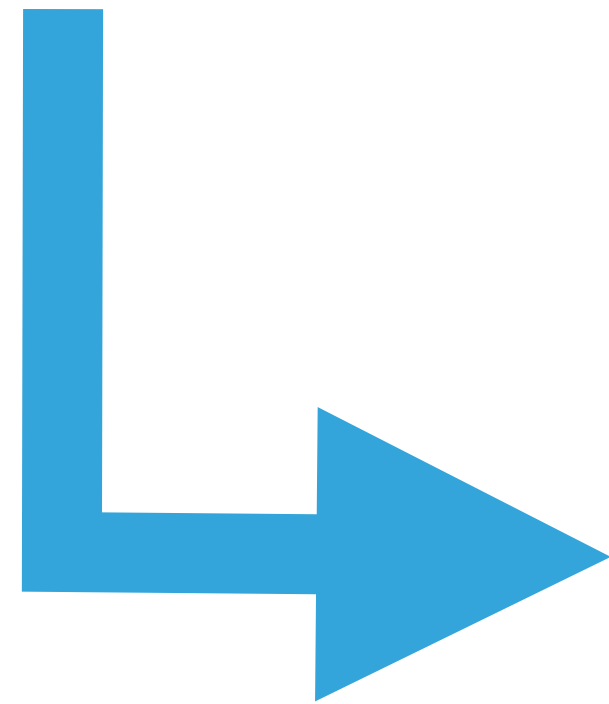
**INTERPRETER
(RELATIONAL)**



**INTERPRETER
(RELATIONAL)**

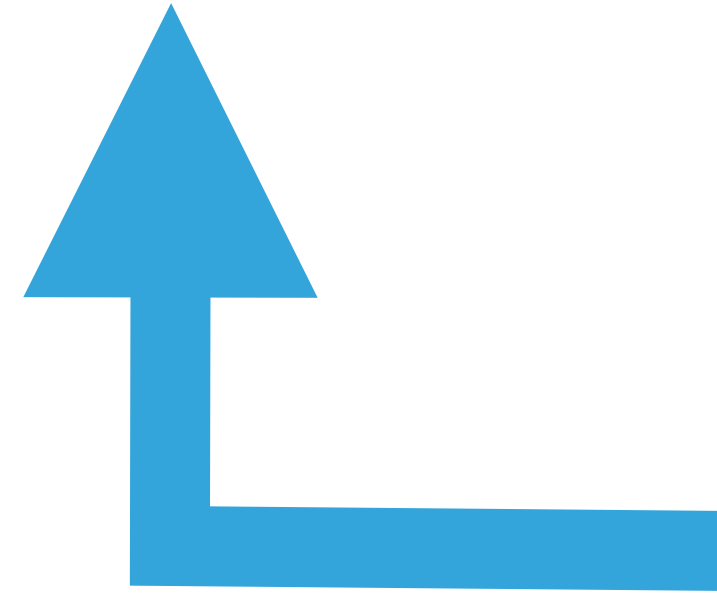


**INTERPRETER
(RELATIONAL)**

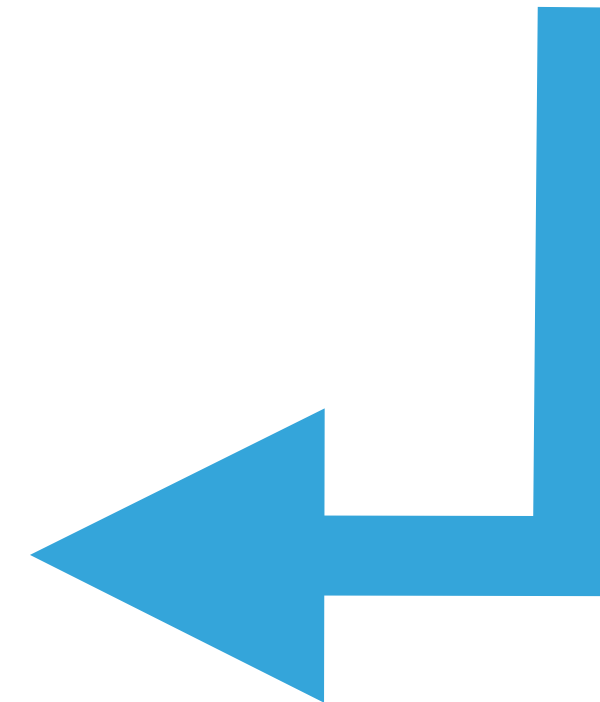


42

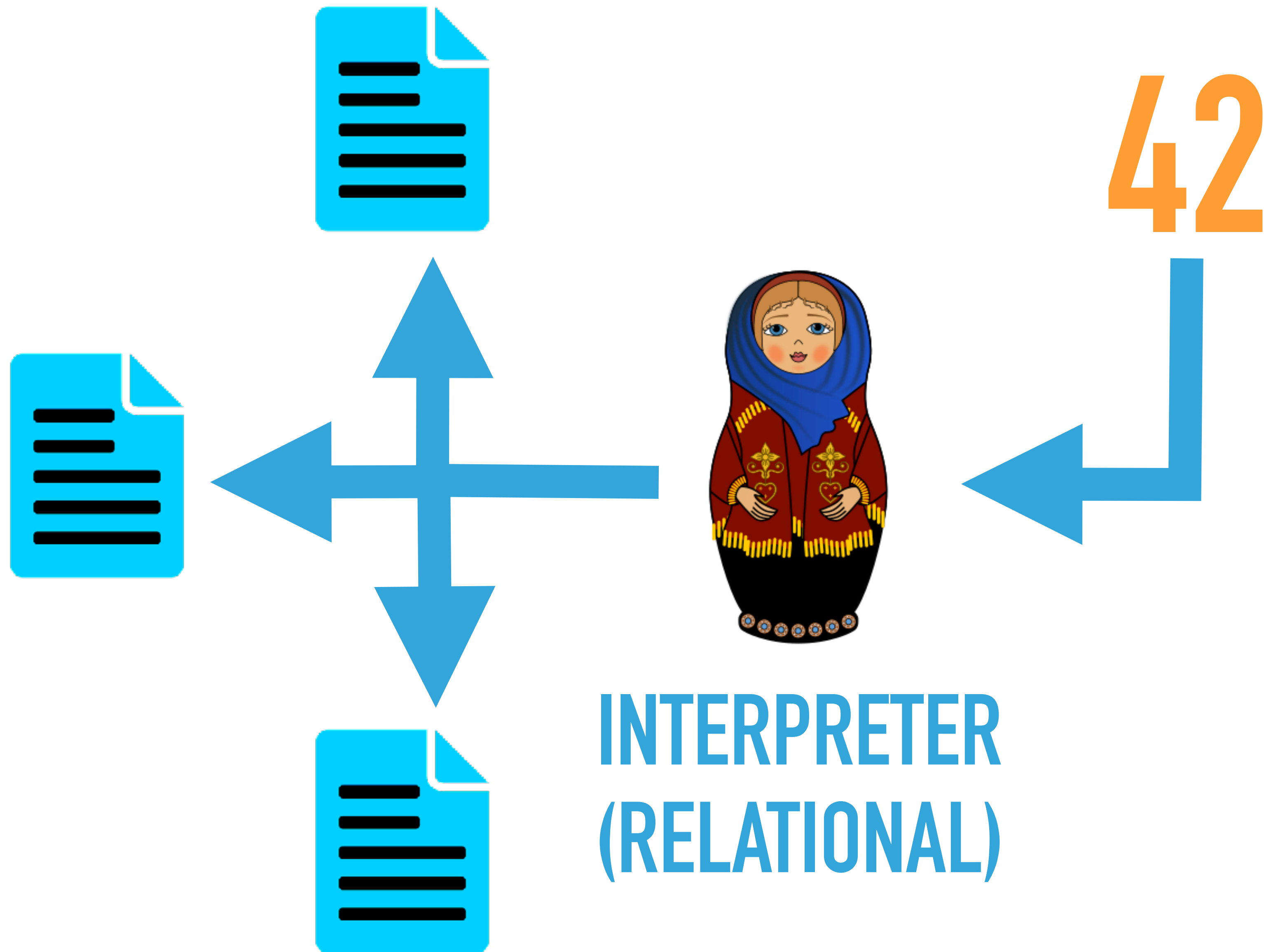
**INTERPRETER
(RELATIONAL)**



42



INTERPRETER
(RELATIONAL)



RELATIONAL PROGRAMMING IN
MINIKANREN:
TECHNIQUES, APPLICATIONS, AND
IMPLEMENTATIONS

WILLIAM E. BYRD

SUBMITTED TO THE FACULTY OF THE
UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL
IN PARTIAL FULFILLMENT OF THE REQUIREMENTS

α lean*TAP*: A Declarative Theorem Prover for First-Order Classical Logic

Joseph P. Near^{**}, William E. Byrd, and Daniel P. Friedman

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405
{jnear,webyrd,dfried}@cs.indiana.edu

Abstract. We present α lean*TAP*, a declarative tableau-based theorem prover written as a pure relation. Like lean*TAP*, on which it is based, α lean*TAP* can prove ground theorems in first-order classical logic. Since it is declarative, α lean*TAP* *generates* theorems and accepts non-ground theorems and proofs. The lack of mode restrictions also allows the user to provide guidance in proving complex theorems and to ask the prover to instantiate non-ground parts of theorems. We present a complete implementation of α lean*TAP*, beginning with a translation of lean*TAP* into α Kanren, an embedding of nominal logic programming in Scheme. We

miniKanren, Live and Untagged

Quine Generation via Relational Interpreters (Programming Pearl)

William E. Byrd Eric Holk Daniel P. Friedman

School of Informatics and Computing, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405
{webyrd,eholk,dfried}@cs.indiana.edu

Abstract

We present relational interpreters for several subsets of Scheme, written in the pure logic programming language miniKanren. We demonstrate these interpreters running “backwards”—that is, generating programs that evaluate to a specified value—and show how the interpreters can trivially generate *quines* (programs that evaluate to themselves). We demonstrate how to transform environment-passing interpreters written in Scheme into relational interpreters written in miniKanren. We show how constraint ex-

evaluating literals, such as numbers and booleans. A classic non-trivial quine (Thompson II) is:

```
(define quinec
  '((lambda (x)
    (list x (list (quote quote) x)))
    (quote
      (lambda (x)
        (list x (list (quote quote) x)))))))
```

We can easily verify that *quine_c* evaluates to itself:

```
(eval19 (eval quinec) quinec) => #t
```



A Unified Approach to Solving Seven Programming Problems (Functional Pearl)

WILLIAM E. BYRD, University of Utah, USA
MICHAEL BALLANTYNE, University of Utah, USA
GREGORY ROSENBLATT, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
MATTHEW MIGHT, University of Utah, USA

Abstr

We pr
Scheme
miniKa
"backw
to a sp
trivially
selves).
passing
preters

We present seven programming challenges in Racket, and an elegant, unified approach to solving them using constraint logic programming in miniKanren.

CCS Concepts: • **Software and its engineering** → **Functional languages; Constraint and logic languages; Automatic programming;**

Additional Key Words and Phrases: relational programming, program synthesis, miniKanren, Racket, Scheme

ACM Reference format:

William E. Byrd, Michael Ballantyne, Gregory Rosenblatt, and Matthew Might. 2017. A Unified Approach to Solving Seven Programming Problems (Functional Pearl). *Proc. ACM Program. Lang.* 1, ICFP, Article 8 (September 2017), 26 pages.

<https://doi.org/10.1145/3110252>



A Unified Approach to Solving Seven Programming Problems (Functional Pearl)

revelytix

WILLIAM E. BYRD, University of Utah, USA
MICHAEL BALLANTYNE, University of Utah, USA
GREGORY ROSENBLATT, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
MATTHEW MIGHT, University of Utah, USA

Abstract

We present seven programming challenges in Racket, and an elegant, unified approach to solving them using constraint logic programming in miniKanren. The approach is based on a “backwards” style of programming, where the programmer starts with a goal and works backwards to a set of trivially solvable subgoals (or “clauses”). This style of programming is particularly well-suited to solving problems that involve passing and returning data structures, and is a natural fit for the declarative style of miniKanren.

We present seven programming challenges in Racket, and an elegant, unified approach to solving them using constraint logic programming in miniKanren.

CCS Concepts: • **Software and its engineering** → **Functional languages; Constraint and logic languages; Automatic programming;**

Additional Key Words and Phrases: revelytix

ACM Reference format:

William E. Byrd, Michael Ballantyne, Gregory Rosenblatt, and Matthew Might. 2017. A Unified Approach to Solving Seven Programming Problems (Functional Pearl). In *Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Functional Programming* (September 2017), 26 pages.
<https://doi.org/10.1145/3110252>



eme

each
le 8

Roadmap

- miniKanren, briefly
- [a small kernel logic programming language](#)
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- generalizing to constraints
- interrelated semantics
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- constraint system framework
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks

```

(define (var x) x)
(define (var? x) (number? x))

(define (find u s)
  (let ((pr (and (var? u) (assv u s))))
    (if pr (find (cdr pr) s) u)))

(define (ext-s x u s)
  (cond
    ((occurs? x u s) #f)
    (else `((,x . ,u) . ,s))))

(define (occurs? x u s)
  (cond
    ((var? u) (eqv? x u))
    ((pair? u) (or (occurs? x (find (car u) s) s)
                   (occurs? x (find (cdr u) s) s)))
    (else #f)))

(define (unify u v s)
  (cond
    ((eqv? u v) s)
    ((var? u) (ext-s u v s))
    ((var? v) (unify v u s))
    ((and (pair? u) (pair? v))
     (let ((s (unify (find (car u) s) (find (car v) s) s)))
       (and s (unify (find (cdr u) s) (find (cdr v) s) s))))
    (else #f)))

(define ((= u v) s/c)
  (let ((s (car s/c)))
    (let ((s (unify (find u s) (find v s) s)))
      (if s (list `(,s . ,(cdr s/c))) `())))))

```

```

(define ((call/fresh f) s/c)
  (let ((c (cdr s/c)))
    ((f (var c)) `(,(car s/c) . ,(+ c 1)))))

(define-syntax-rule (define-relation (defname . args) g)
  (define ((defname . args) s/c) (delay/name (g s/c))))

(define (pull $) (if (promise? $) (pull (force $)) $))

(define (take n $)
  (cond
    ((null? $) '())
    ((and n (zero? (- n 1))) (list (car $)))
    (else (cons (car $)
                 (take (and n (- n 1)) (pull (cdr $)))))))

(define (call/initial-state n g)
  (take n (pull (g '(() . 0)))))

(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))

(define ($append $1 $2)
  (cond
    ((null? $1) $2)
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))

(define ($append-map $ g)
  (cond
    ((null? $) `())
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))

```



```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))  
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $1) $2)  
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))  
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $) `())  
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))  
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))  
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $1) $2)  
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))  
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $) `())  
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))  
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))  
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $1) $2)  
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $) `())  
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) (append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))
```

```
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) (append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define (append l1 l2)
```

```
  (cond
```

```
    ((null? l1) l2)
```

```
    (else (cons (car l1) (append (cdr l1) l2))))))
```

```
(define (append-map l f)
```

```
  (cond
```

```
    ((null? l) `())
```

```
    (else (append (f (car l)) (append-map (cdr l) f))))))
```

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))  
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $1) $2)  
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $) `())  
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))  
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $1) $2)  
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append (force $1) $2)))  
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $) `())  
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))  
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```



```
(define-relation (nevero x)
  (nevero x))
```

Unproductive Relation

```
(define-relation (nevero x)  
  (nevero x))
```

Unproductive Relation

```
(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```

Disjunctive Query

```
(define-relation (nevero x)
  (nevero x))
```

Unproductive Relation

```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```

Disjunctive Query

```
(define-relation (nevero x)
  (nevero x))
```

Unproductive Relation

```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
>      (nevero 'cat)
```

Disjunctive Query

```
(define-relation (nevero x)
  (nevero x))
```

Unproductive Relation

```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
>      (nevero 'cat)
>      (nevero 'cat)
```

Disjunctive Query


```
(define-relation (nevero x)
  (nevero x))
```

Unproductive Relation

```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
>      (nevero 'cat)
>      (nevero 'cat)
... 
```

Disjunctive Query

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))  
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $1) $2)  
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append (force $1) $2)))  
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $) `())  
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))  
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))  
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $1) $2)  
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))  
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)  
  (cond  
    ((null? $) `())  
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))  
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```

```
(define-relation (nevero x)
  (nevero x))
```

Unproductive Relation

```
(define-relation (nevero x)  
  (nevero x))
```

Unproductive Relation

```
(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```

Disjunctive Query

```
> (disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```




```
> (disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```




```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```



```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```

 (== 'cat 'cat) (nevero 'cat)

```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```

```
>  (== 'cat 'cat) (nevero 'cat)
```

```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```

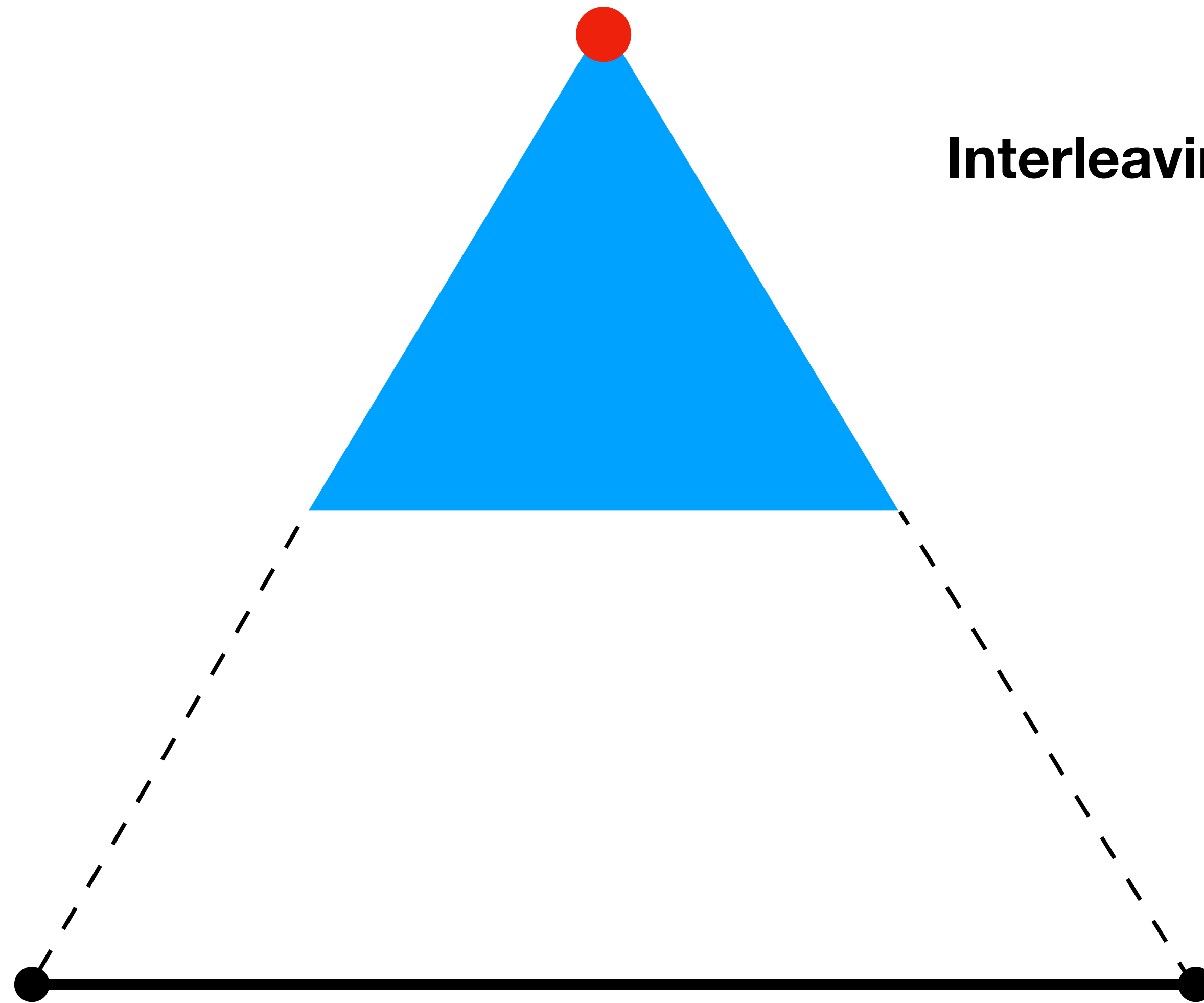
```
>      (== 'cat 'cat) (nevero 'cat)
```

```
>(disj (nevero 'cat) (== 'cat 'cat))
```

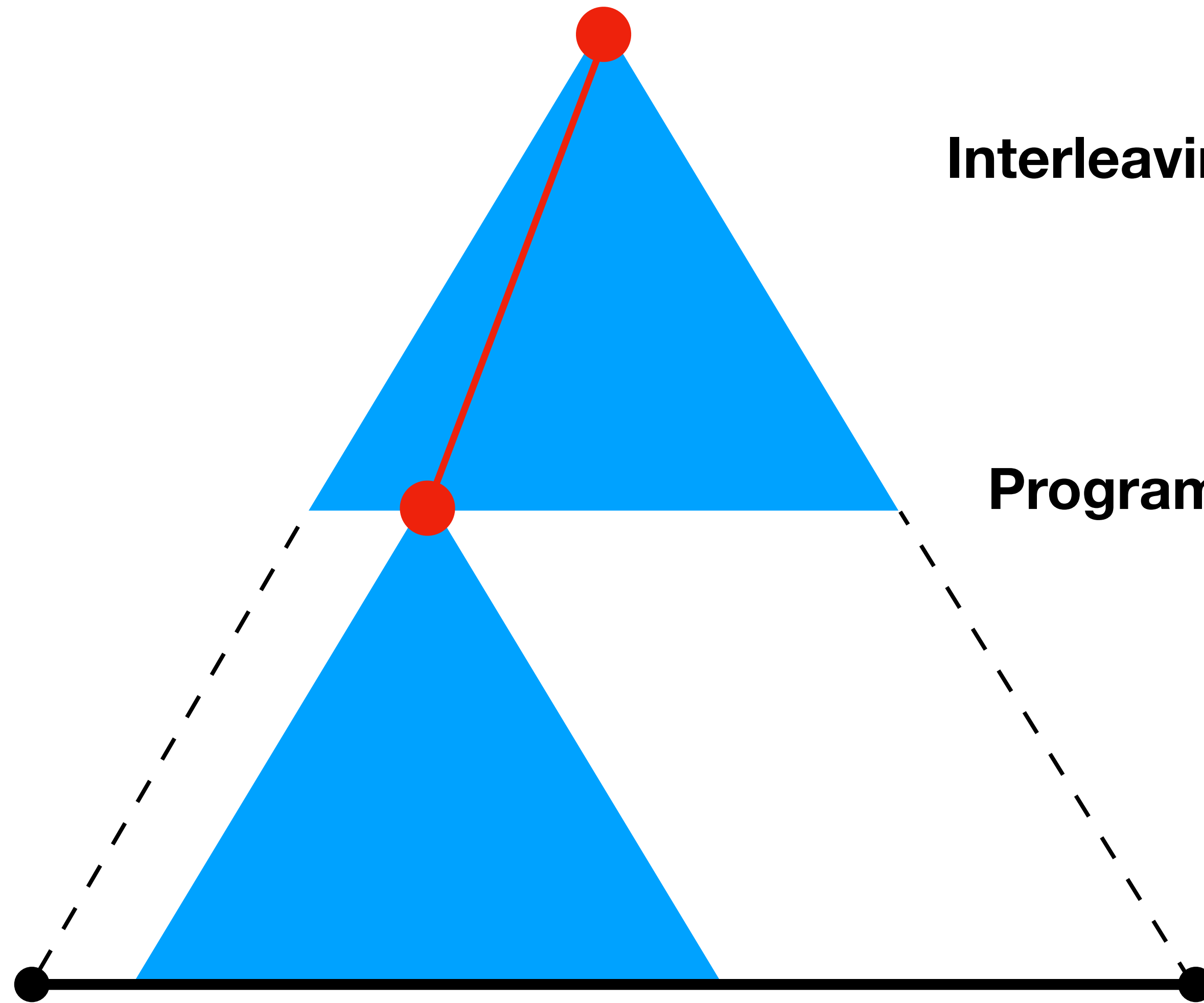
(Rozplokhas et al. 2019)

```
>      (== 'cat 'cat) (nevero 'cat)
```


**DOESN'T ALONE FIX A
PARTICULAR SEARCH**

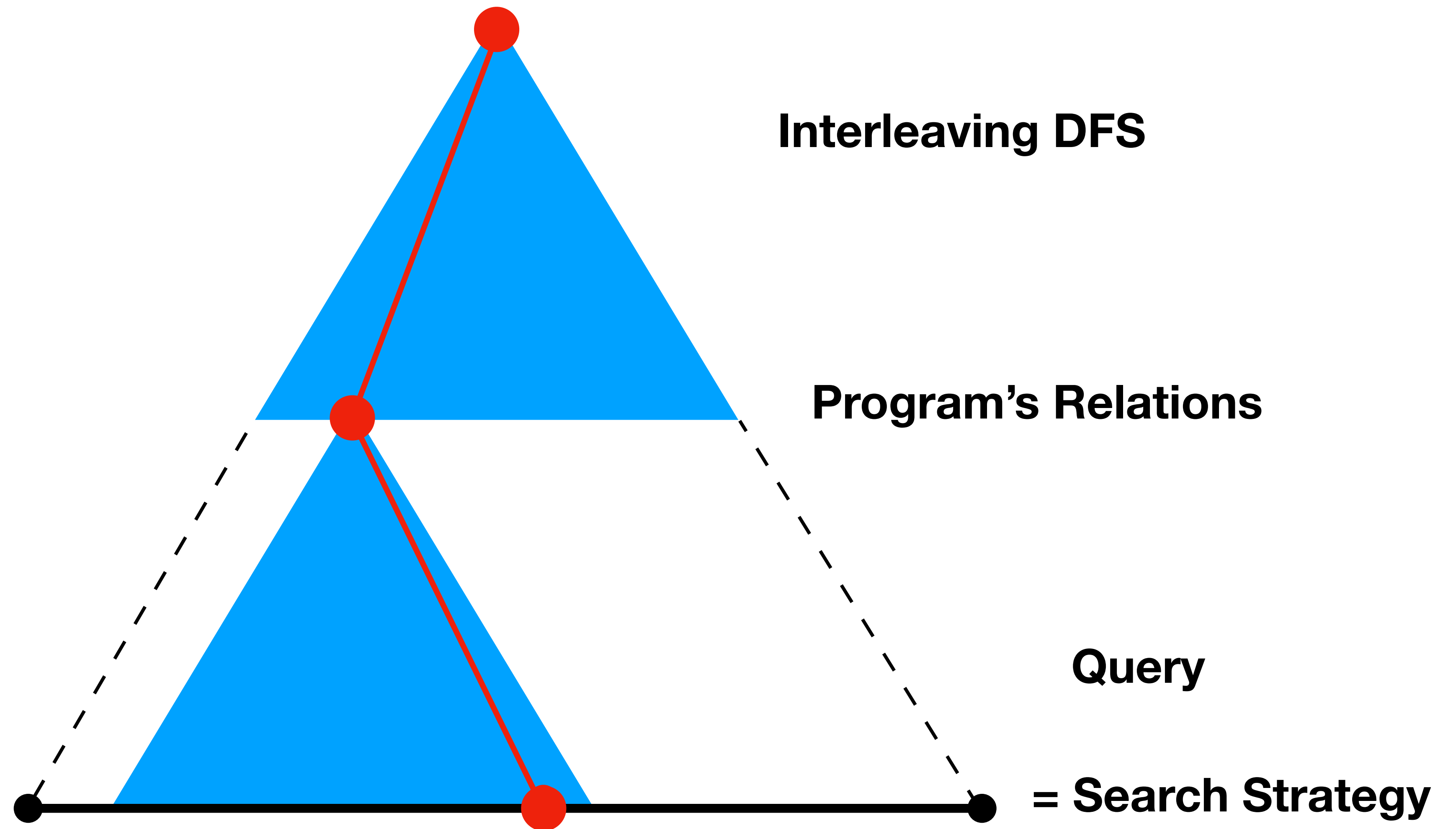


Interleaving DFS



Interleaving DFS

Program's Relations



miniKanren

Macros + Functions

microKanren Proliferates

Macros | Functions

Functions

Javascript

Functions

Javascript

Python

Functions

Javascript

Python

Functions

Ruby

Javascript

Python

Functions

Ruby

PHP

Javascript

Java

Python

Functions

Ruby

PHP

Javascript

Java

Python

Functions

Ruby

Erlang

PHP

JavaScript

Java

Python

Prolog

Functions

Ruby

Erlang

PHP

A word cloud featuring various programming languages. The word 'Functions' is the largest and is positioned in the center. Other languages are arranged around it in different sizes and orientations. 'Javascript' and 'Java' are at the top, 'Python' is to the right, 'Prolog' is to the left, 'Lua' is below 'Python', 'Ruby' is below 'Prolog', 'Erlang' is at the bottom center, and 'PHP' is at the bottom right.

Functions

Javascript

Java

Python

Prolog

Lua

Ruby

PHP

Erlang

Smalltalk

Nu

Haskell

Clojure

LFE

Shen

Javascript

Java

miniKanren

Python

Rust

F#

Prolog

Scheme

Dylan

Scala

Lua

Ruby

Moxie

PHP

Purescript

C#

Erlang

Extempore

Elixir

ML

Smalltalk Nu Julia Haskell
Idris Elm Clojure LFE Coffeescript
Shen Javascript Java miniKanren
OCaML Python Rust
F# Prolog Scheme Dylan
Hy Scala Lua
Groovy Ruby Pony
Purescript C# Erlang Moxie PHP
Extempore Elixir ML

Smalltalk

Nu

Julia

Haskell

Idris

Elm

Clojure

LFE

Coffeescript

Shen

Java

miniKanren

Over **150** implementations
in **50** languages
(see miniKanren.org)

Rust

F#

Groovy

Pony

Purescript

C#

Erlang

Moxie

PHP

Extempore

Elixir

ML

```
(define (var x) x)
(define (var? x) (number? x))

(define (find u s)
  (let ((pr (and (var? u) (assv u s))))
    (if pr (find (cdr pr) s) u)))
```

```
(define (ext-s x u s)
  (cond
    ((occurs? x u s) #f)
    (else `((,x . ,u) . ,s))))
```

```
(define (occurs? x u s)
  (cond
    ((var? u) #f)
    ((pair? u)
     (let ((pr (find u s)))
       (if pr (occurs? x (cdr pr) s) #f)))
    (else #f)))
```

Equality

```
(define (unify u v s)
  (cond
    ((eqv? u v) s)
    ((var? u) (ext-s u v s))
    ((var? v) (unify v u s))
    ((and (pair? u) (pair? v))
     (let ((s (unify (find (car u) s) (find (car v) s) s)))
       (and s (unify (find (cdr u) s) (find (cdr v) s) s))))
    (else #f)))
```

```
(define ((= u v) s/c)
  (let ((s (car s/c)))
    (let ((s (unify (find u s) (find v s) s)))
      (if s (list `(,s . ,(cdr s/c))) `())))))
```

```
(define ((call/fresh f) s/c)
  (let ((c (cdr s/c)))
    ((f (var c)) `(,(car s/c) . ,(+ c 1)))))
```

```
(define-syntax-rule (define-relation (defname . args) g)
  (define ((defname . args) s/c) (delay/name (g s/c))))
```

```
(define (pull $) (if (promise? $) (pull (force $)) $))
```

```
(define (take n $)
  (cond
    ((null? $) '())
    ((and n (zero? (- n 1))) (list (car $)))
    (else (cons (car $)
                  (pull (take (cdr $) n))))))
```

```
(define
  (take
```

Control

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)
  (cond
    ((null? $1) $2)
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)
  (cond
    ((null? $) `())
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```



```

(define ((call/fresh f) s/c)
  (let ((c (cdr s/c)))
    ((f (var c)) `(,(car s/c) . ,(+ c 1)))))

(define-syntax-rule (define-relation (defname . args) g)
  (define ((defname . args) s/c) (delay/name (g s/c))))

(define (pull $) (if (promise? $) (pull (force $)) $))

(define (take n $)
  (cond
    ((null? $) '())
    ((and n (zero? (- n 1))) (list (car $)))
    (else (cons (car $)
                  (take (and n (- n 1)) (pull (cdr $)))))))

(define (call/initial-state n g)
  (take n (pull (g '(() . 0)))))

(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))

(define ($append $1 $2)
  (cond
    ((null? $1) $2)
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))

(define ($append-map $ g)
  (cond
    ((null? $) `())
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))

```

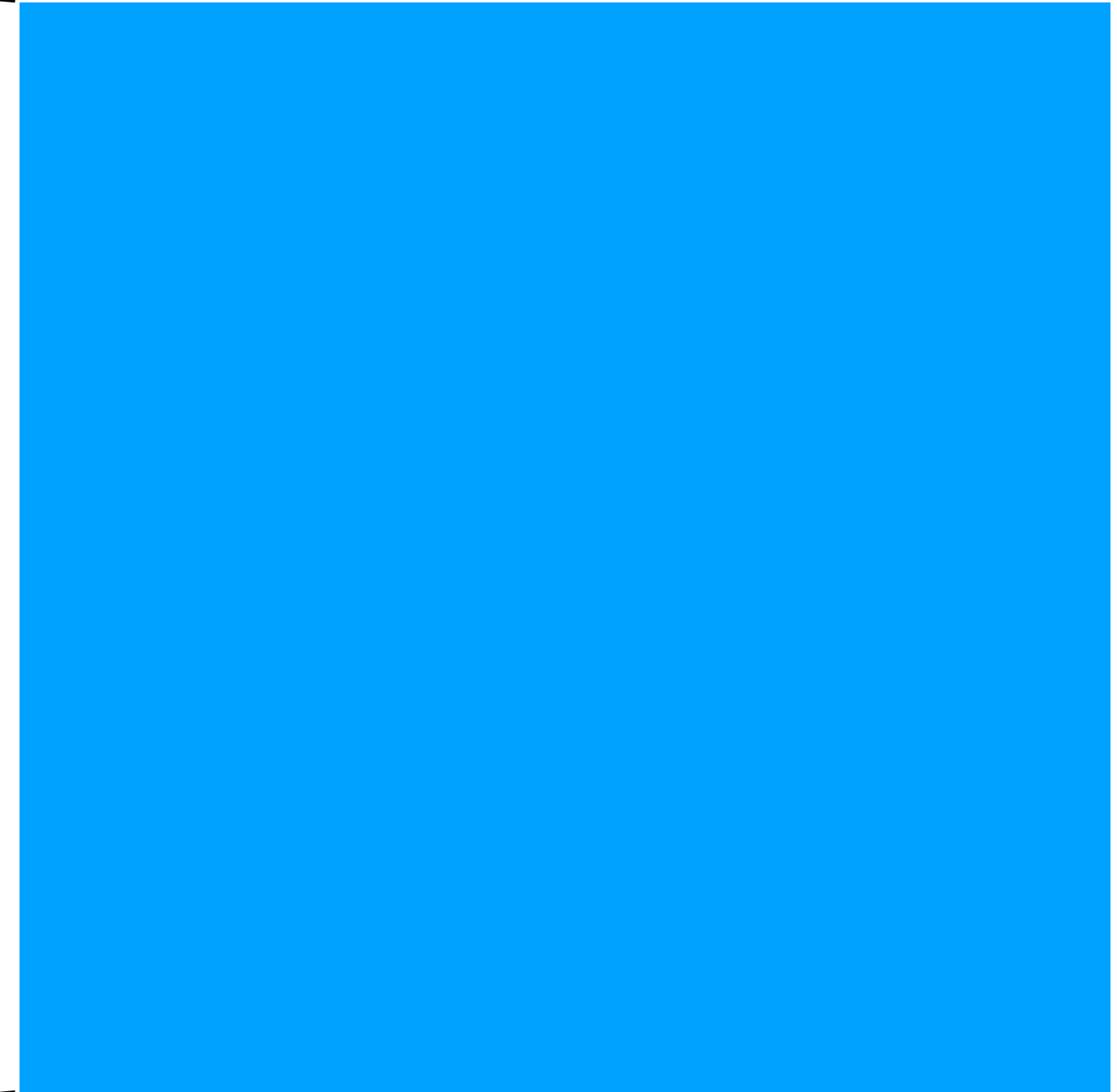
Roadmap

- miniKanren, briefly
- a small kernel logic programming language
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- generalizing to constraints
- interrelated semantics
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- constraint system framework
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks

miniKanren as Syntactic Extensions

macro extension

microKanren



```
(define-syntax disj+  
  (syntax-rules ()  
    ((_ g) g)  
    ((_ g0 g ...) (disj g0 (disj+ g ...))))))
```

```
(define-syntax conj+  
  (syntax-rules ()  
    ((_ g) g)  
    ((_ g0 g ...) (conj g0 (conj+ g ...))))))
```

```
(define-syntax-rule (conde (g0 g ...) (g0* g* ...) ...)  
  (disj+ (conj+ g0 g ...) (conj+ g0* g* ...) ...))
```

Roadmap

- miniKanren, briefly
- a small kernel logic programming language
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- [generalizing to constraints](#)
- interrelated semantics
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- constraint system framework
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks

```

(define (var x) x)
(define (var? x) (number? x))

(define (find u s)
  (let ((pr (and (var? u) (assv u s))))
    (if pr (find (cdr pr) s) u)))

(define (ext-s x u s)
  (cond
    ((occurs? x u s) #f)
    (else `((,x . ,u) . ,s))))

(define (occurs? x u s)
  (cond
    ((var? u) (eqv? x u))
    ((pair? u) (or (occurs? x (find (car u) s) s)
                   (occurs? x (find (cdr u) s) s)))
    (else #f)))

(define (unify u v s)
  (cond
    ((eqv? u v) s)
    ((var? u) (ext-s u v s))
    ((var? v) (unify v u s))
    ((and (pair? u) (pair? v))
     (let ((s (unify (find (car u) s) (find (car v) s) s)))
       (and s (unify (find (cdr u) s) (find (cdr v) s) s))))
    (else #f)))

(define ((== u v) s/c)
  (let ((s (car s/c)))
    (let ((s (unify (find u s) (find v s) s)))
      (if s (list `(,s . ,(cdr s/c))) `())))))

```

```

(define ((call/fresh f) s/c)
  (let ((c (cdr s/c)))
    ((f (var c)) `(,(car s/c) . ,(+ c 1)))))

(define-syntax-rule (define-relation (defname . args) g)
  (define ((defname . args) s/c) (delay/name (g s/c))))

(define (pull $) (if (promise? $) (pull (force $)) $))

(define (take n $)
  (cond
    ((null? $) '())
    ((and n (zero? (- n 1))) (list (car $)))
    (else (cons (car $)
                 (take (and n (- n 1)) (pull (cdr $)))))))

(define (call/initial-state n g)
  (take n (pull (g '(() . 0)))))

(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))

(define ($append $1 $2)
  (cond
    ((null? $1) $2)
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))

(define ($append-map $ g)
  (cond
    ((null? $) `())
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))

```

```
(define (var x) x)
(define (var? x) (number? x))

(define (find u s)
  (let ((pr (and (var? u) (assv u s))))
    (if pr (find (cdr pr) s) u)))
```

```
(define (ext-s x u s)
  (cond
    ((occurs? x u s) #f)
    (else `((,x . ,u) . ,s))))
```

```
(define (occurs? x u s)
  (cond
    ((var? u) (find u s))
    ((pair? u)
     (let ((s (find (car u) s)))
       (if (and (pair? s) (occurs? x (cdr u) s))
           #t
           #f)))
    (else #f)))
```

Equality

```
(define (unify u v s)
  (cond
    ((eqv? u v) s)
    ((var? u) (ext-s u v s))
    ((var? v) (unify v u s))
    ((and (pair? u) (pair? v))
     (let ((s (unify (find (car u) s) (find (car v) s) s)))
       (and s (unify (find (cdr u) s) (find (cdr v) s) s))))
    (else #f)))
```

```
(define ((= u v) s/c)
  (let ((s (car s/c)))
    (let ((s (unify (find u s) (find v s) s)))
      (if s (list `(,s . ,(cdr s/c))) `())))))
```

```
(define ((call/fresh f) s/c)
  (let ((c (cdr s/c)))
    ((f (var c)) `(,(car s/c) . ,(+ c 1)))))
```

```
(define-syntax-rule (define-relation (defname . args) g)
  (define ((defname . args) s/c) (delay/name (g s/c))))
```

```
(define (pull $) (if (promise? $) (pull (force $)) $))
```

```
(define (take n $)
  (cond
    ((null? $) '())
    ((and n (zero? (- n 1))) (list (car $)))
    (else (cons (car $)
                  (pull (take (cdr $) n))))))
```

Control

```
(define
  (take
```

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)
  (cond
    ((null? $1) $2)
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)
  (cond
    ((null? $) `())
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```


X

```
(define ((call/fresh f) s/c)
  (let ((c (cdr s/c)))
    ((f (var c)) `(,(car s/c) . ,(+ c 1)))))
```

```
(define-syntax-rule (define-relation (defname . args) g)
  (define ((defname . args) s/c) (delay/name (g s/c))))
```

```
(define (pull $) (if (promise? $) (pull (force $)) $))
```

```
(define (take n $)
  (cond
    ((null? $) '())
    ((and n (zero? (- n 1))) (list (car $)))
    (else (cons (car $)
                  (take n (pull (force $)))))))
```

```
(define
  (take
```

Control

```
(define ((disj g1 g2) s/c) ($append (g1 s/c) (g2 s/c)))
(define ((conj g1 g2) s/c) ($append-map (g1 s/c) g2))
```

```
(define ($append $1 $2)
  (cond
    ((null? $1) $2)
    ((promise? $1) (delay/name ($append $2 (force $1))))
    (else (cons (car $1) ($append (cdr $1) $2)))))
```

```
(define ($append-map $ g)
  (cond
    ((null? $) `())
    ((promise? $) (delay/name ($append-map (force $) g)))
    (else ($append (g (car $)) ($append-map (cdr $) g)))))
```

**Constraints Add More
Problems**

Constraints, generically

```
(define (== u v)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) '== '(u v))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))
```

Constraints, generically

```
(define (== u v)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) '== '(u v))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))
```

Constraints, generically

```
(define (listo u)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) 'listo '(u))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))

(define (== u v)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) '== '(u v))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))

(define (=/= u v)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) '=/= '(u v))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))
```

```

(define (listo u )
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) 'listo '(u )))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))

```

```

(define (==      u v)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) '==      '(u v)))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))

```

```

(define (=/=      u v)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) '=/=      '(u v)))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))

```

```
(define (liststo u v)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) 'liststo '(u v))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))
```

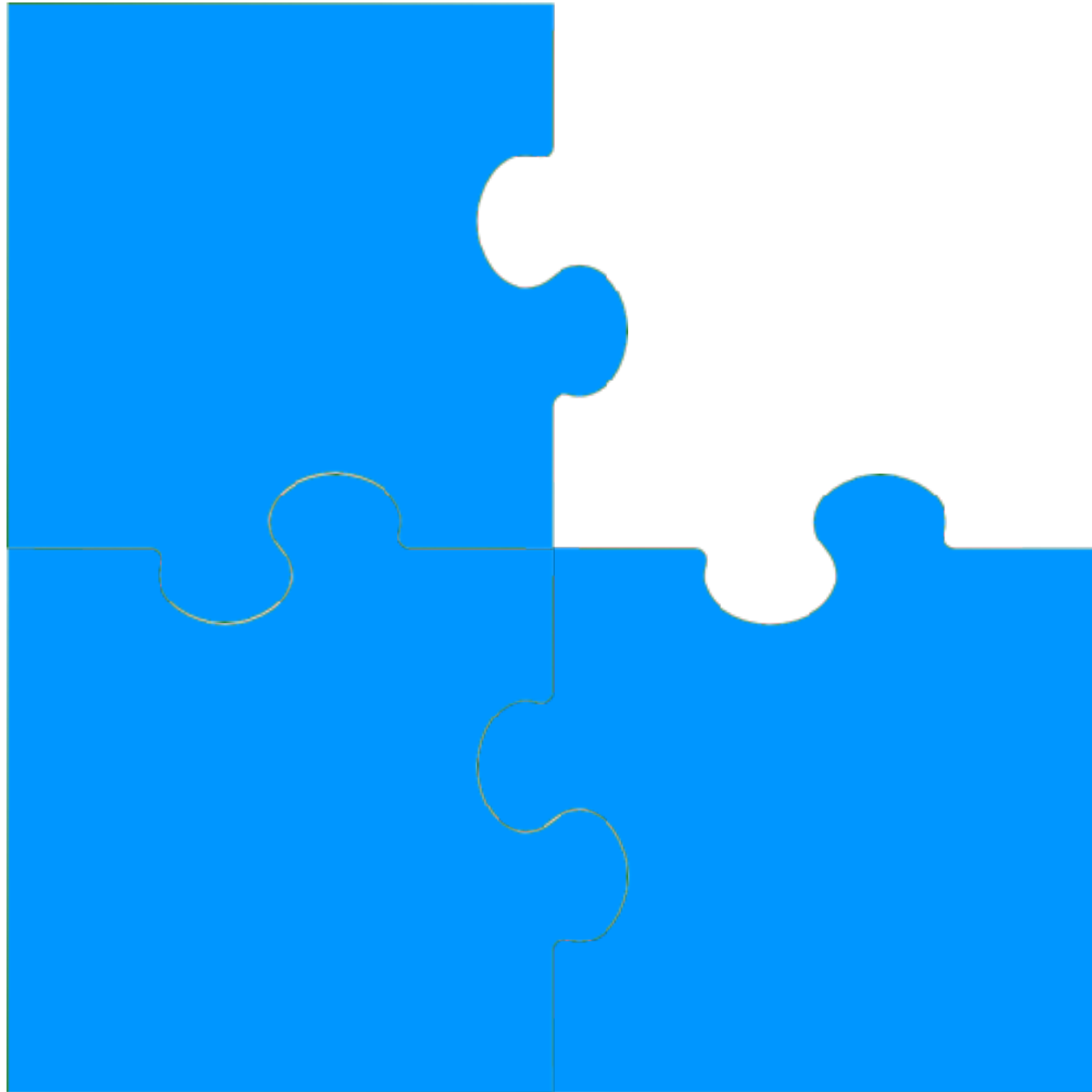
```
(define (liststo u v)
  (λ (S/c)
    (let ((S (ext-S (car S/c) 'liststo '(u v))))
      (if (invalid? S)
          '()
          (list `(,S . ,(cdr S/c)))))))
```


**Factor out common portions of
carefully-considered
implementations**

Roadmap

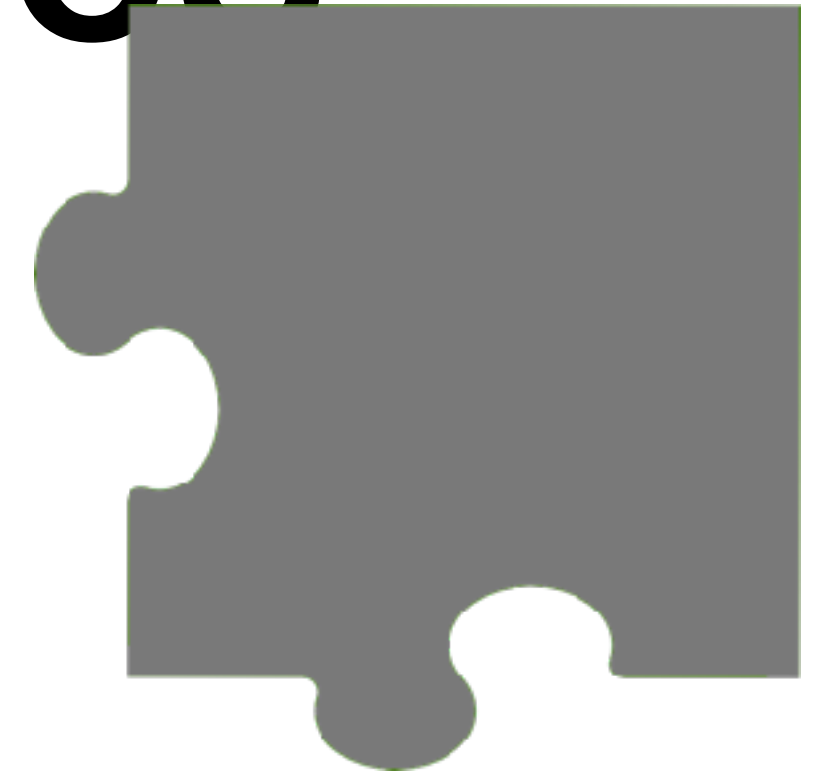
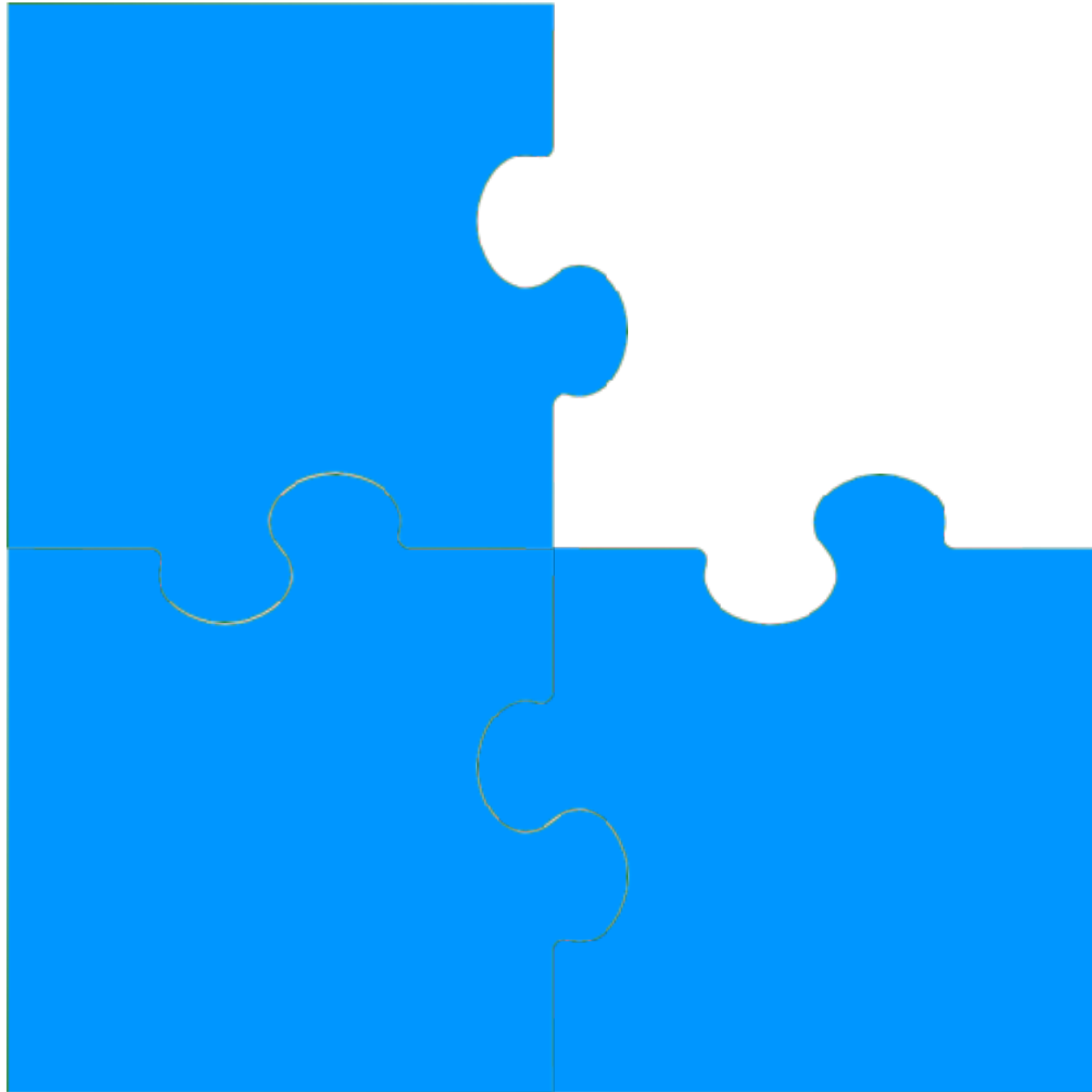
- miniKanren, briefly
- a small kernel logic programming language
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- generalizing to constraints
- **interrelated semantics**
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- constraint system framework
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks

Interrelated Semantics



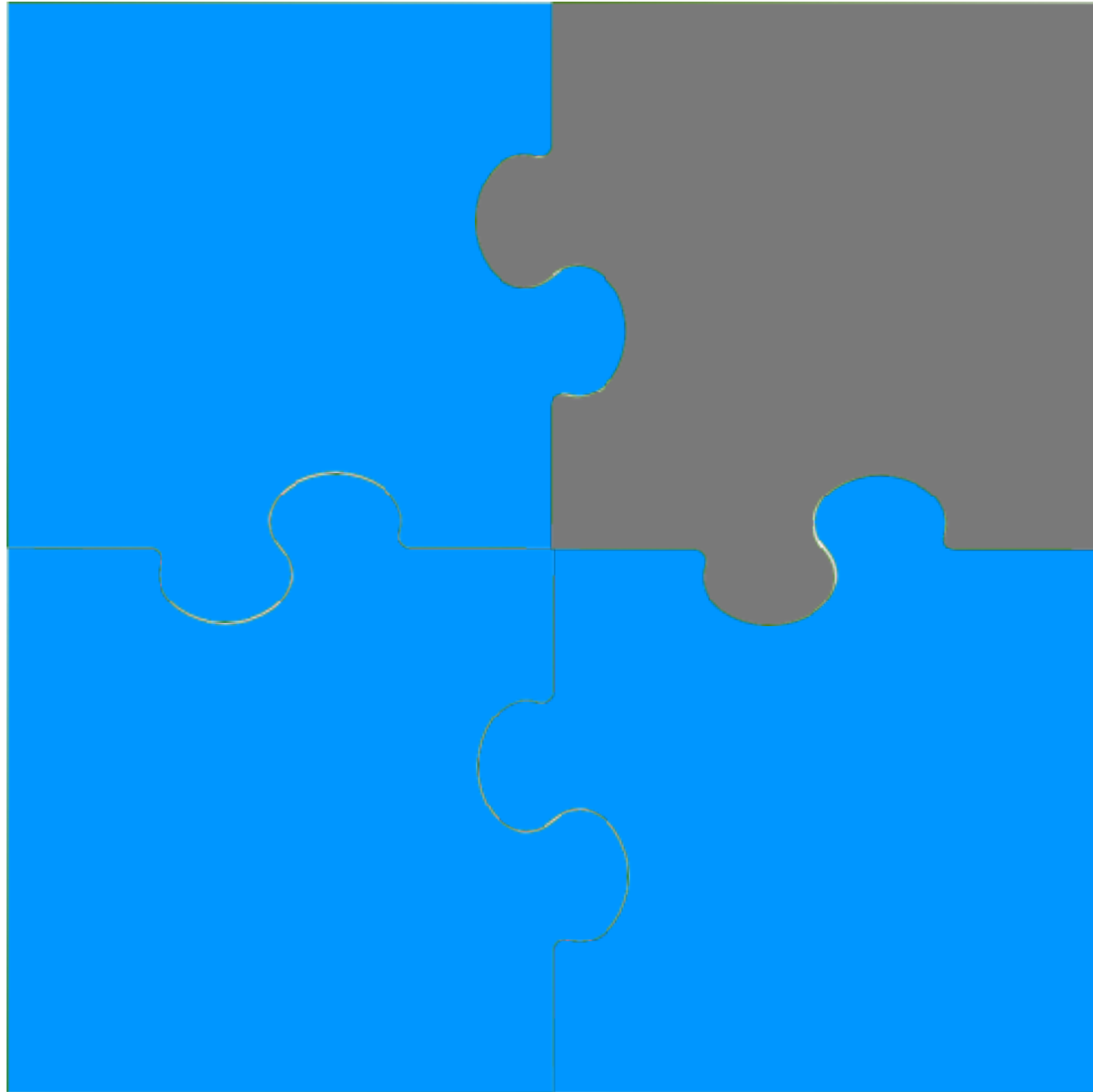
Parameterized Lang Class CLP(·)

Interrelated Semantics



Instantiated with a Constraint Domain \mathcal{X}

Interrelated Semantics



A Language $\text{CLP}(\mathcal{X})$

Roadmap

- miniKanren, briefly
- a small kernel logic programming language
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- generalizing to constraints
- interrelated semantics
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- constraint system framework
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks

CLP Scheme & Constraint Systems λ



CLP Scheme & Constraint Systems χ

- A **signature** Σ for the constraint domain
- The **constraints**, a class of FO Σ -formulas
- A **Σ -theory**, the constraints' logical semantics
- A **Σ -structure**, the constraints' intended interpretation — algebraic semantics
- A function **solve** from constraints to $\{T, F, ?\}$ — operational semantics
- The theory, structure, and solver **agree**
- **A bit more** =, ρ , etc.



How Did We Fit In? (Restrictions)

- total solver
- symbolic constraints
- negative constraints
- n-independent



“miniKanren Constraint” Systems

- disequalities
- sort constraints
- subterm “discontainment”
- “shape” constraints

“miniKanren Constraint” Systems

- disequalities
- sort constraints
- subterm “**dis**containment”
- “shape” constraints

W

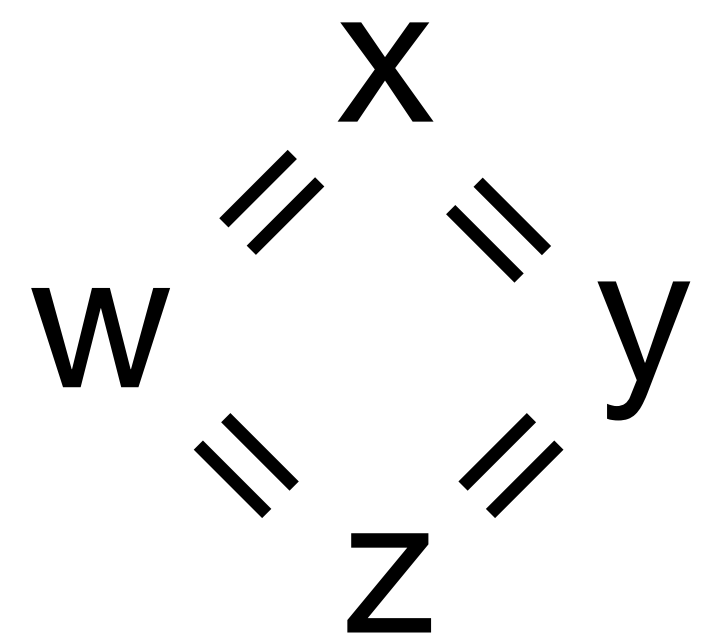
$$w \sqsubseteq x$$

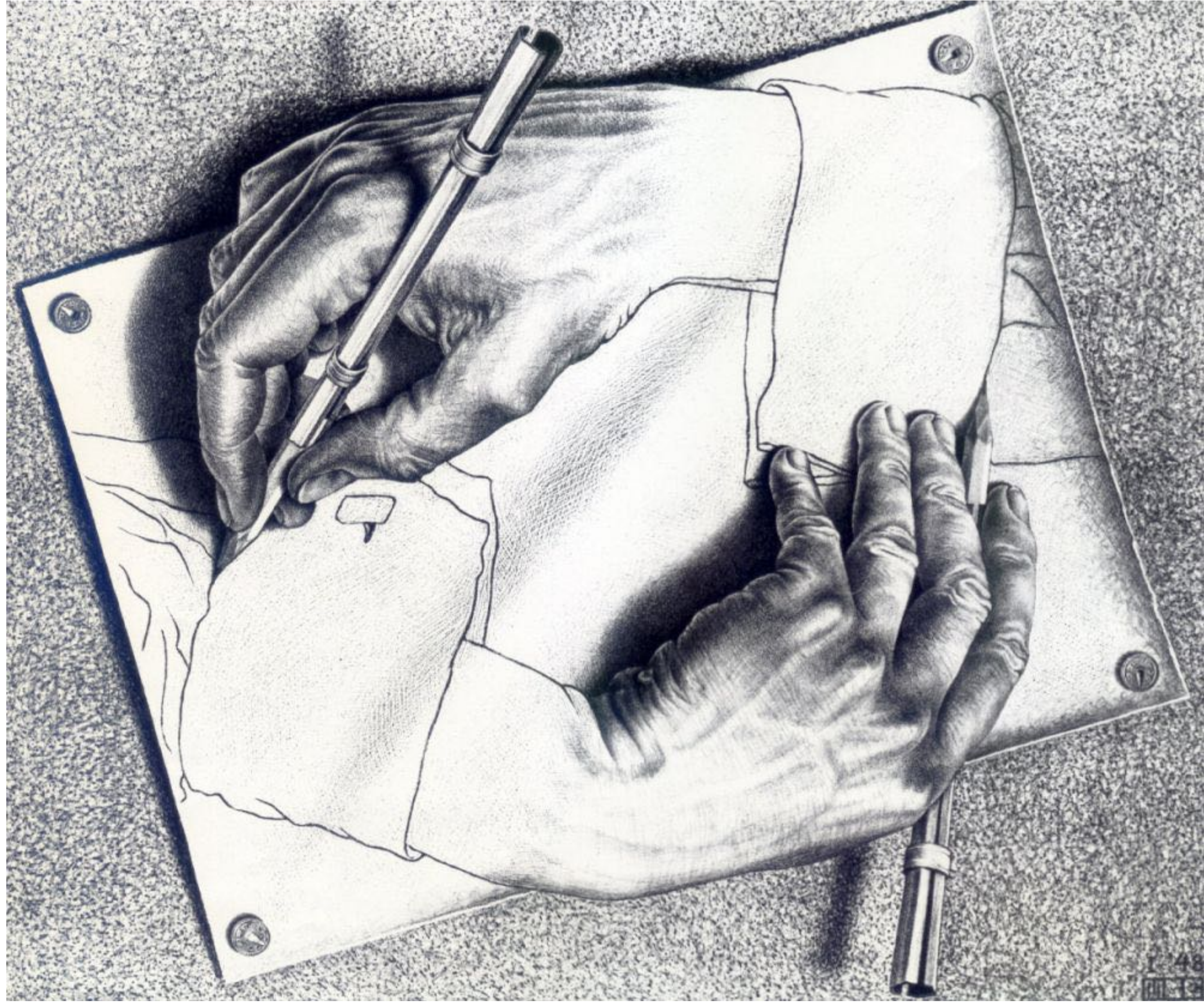
$$w \sqsubseteq x \sqsubseteq y$$

$$w \sqsubseteq x \sqsubseteq y \sqsubseteq z$$

$$\cdots w \sqsubseteq x \sqsubseteq y \sqsubseteq z \sqsubseteq \cdots$$

w x y
z





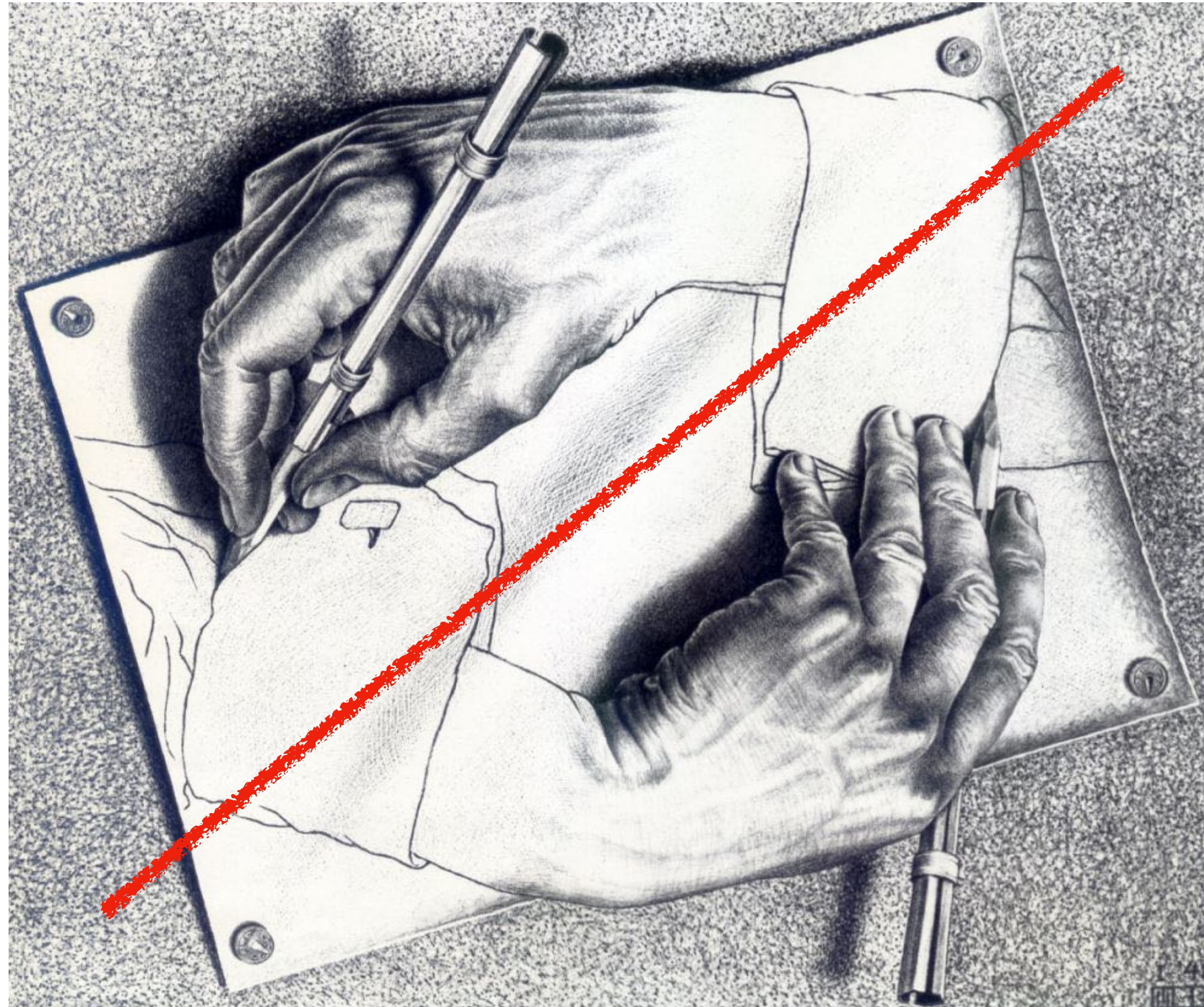
Independence of Negative Constraints

P constraints

Q *negatable* constraints

$\{p_1, \dots, p_n\} \models \{q_1, \dots, q_m\}$ implies $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\} \models q_i$ for some $1 < i \leq m$

Independence of Negative Constraints



Heterogenous
Collections
of

equations P
X
Q
X
R
X
S
X
⋮

Roadmap

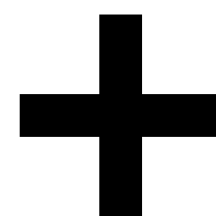
- miniKanren, briefly
- a small kernel logic programming language
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- generalizing to constraints
- interrelated semantics
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- [constraint system framework](#)
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks



We



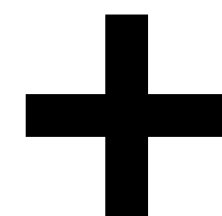
We



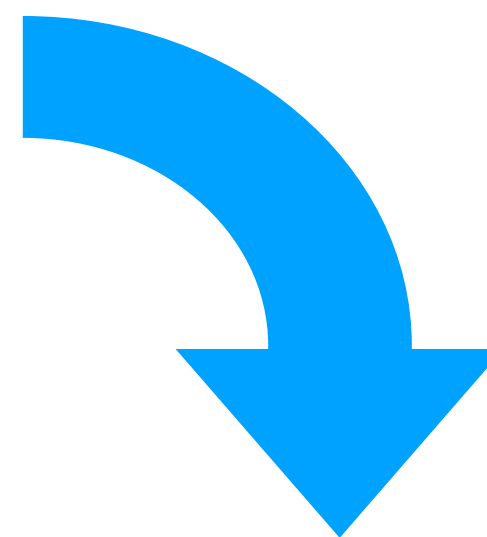
Racket



We



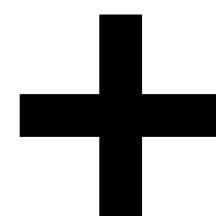
Racket



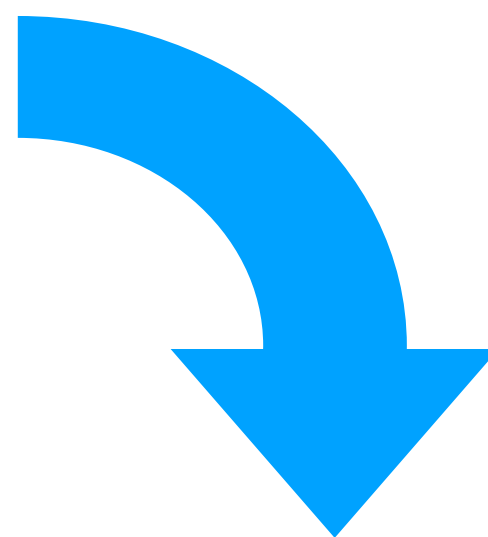
**CLP Lang
Framework**



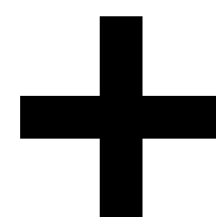
We



Racket



**Constraint
Designer**



**CLP Lang
Framework**

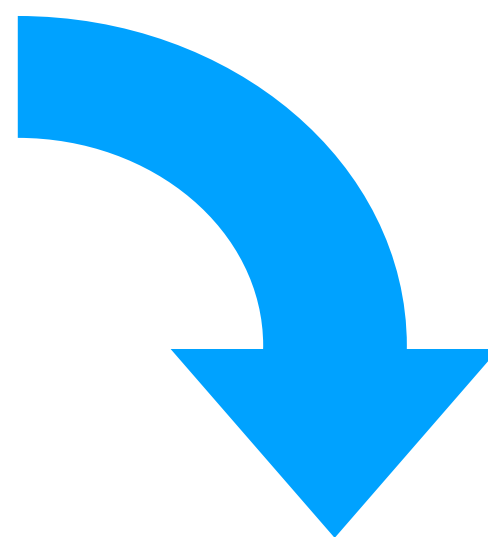


We

+



Racket

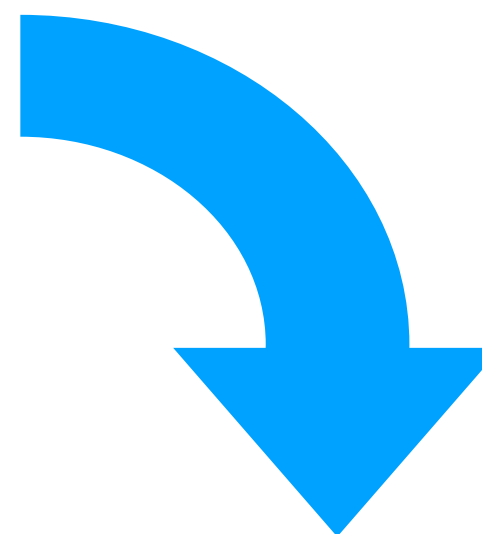


**Constraint
Designer**

+



**CLP Lang
Framework**



**CLP
Language**

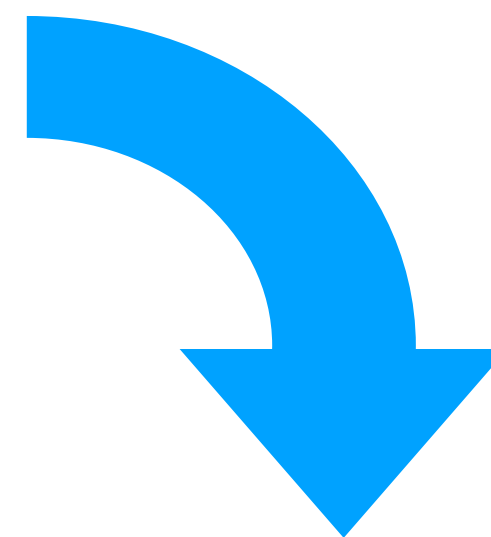


We

+



Racket

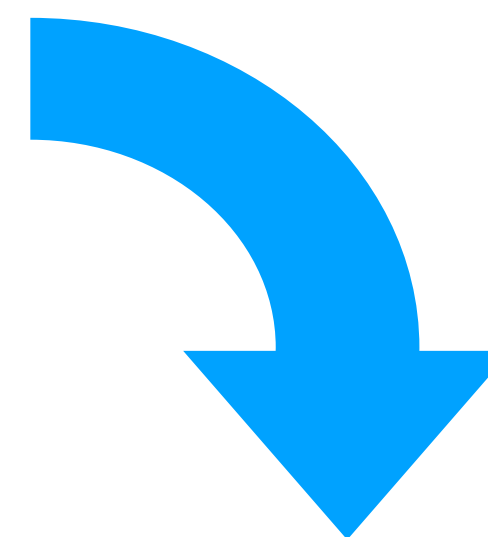


**Constraint
Designer**

+



**CLP Lang
Framework**



**CLP
Programmer**

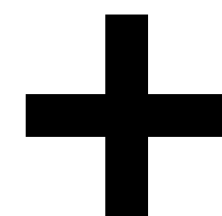
+



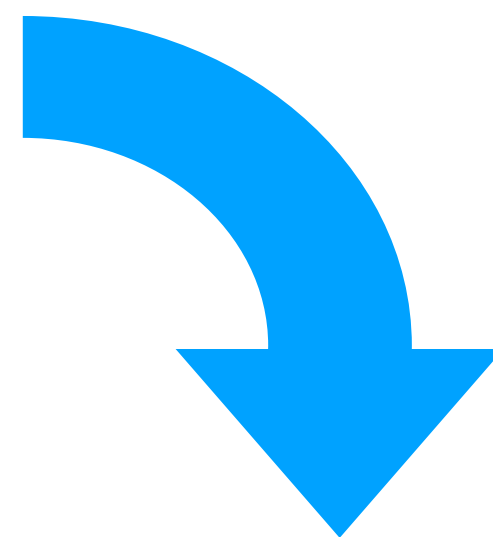
**CLP
Language**



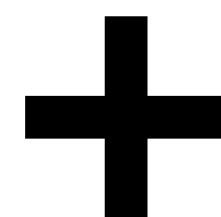
We



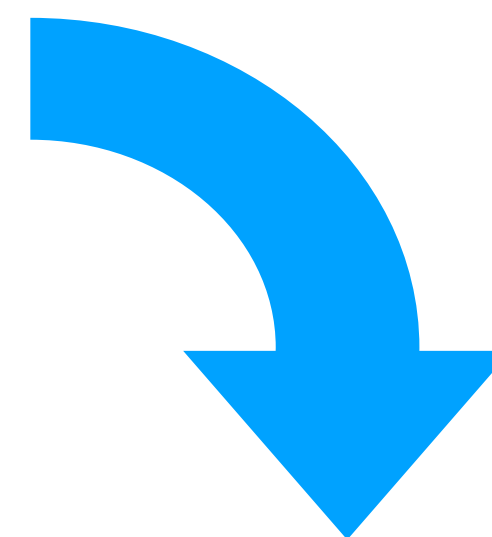
Racket



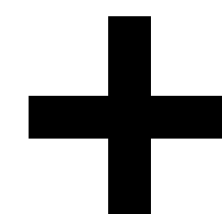
**Constraint
Designer**



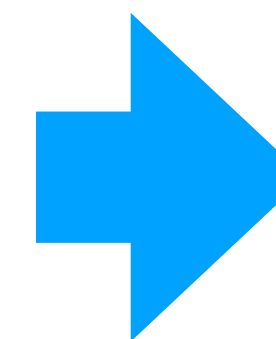
**CLP Lang
Framework**



**CLP
Programmer**



**CLP
Language**



**CLP
Program**

Framework Design



Constraint Defns

Framework Design

Constraint Defns

+

Framework Design

Constraint Defns

Term Lang

+

Violation Conditions

Implicit Equalities

Framework Design

Constraint Defns

Constraints

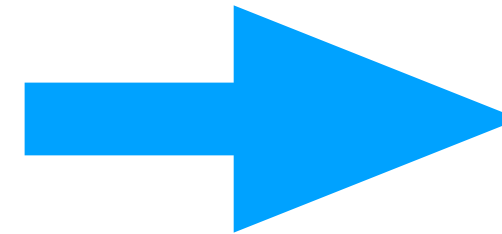
Term Lang

+

Solver

Violation Conditions

Implicit Equalities



Framework Design

Constraint Defns

Constraints

Term Lang

+

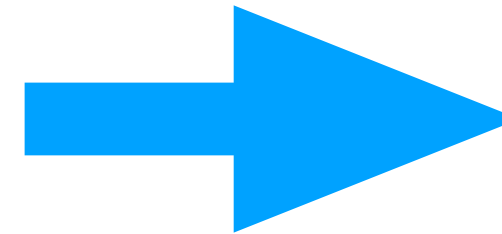
Solver

Violation Conditions

+

Implicit Equalities

mK(λ)



Framework Design

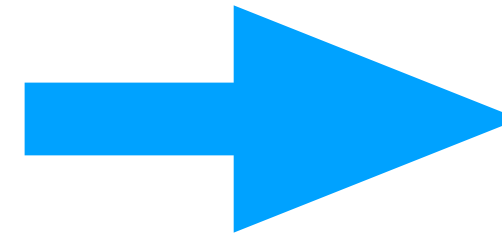
Constraint Defns

Term Lang

+

Violation Conditions

Implicit Equalities



Constraints

Solver

+

mK(λ)

Framework Design

Constraint Defns

Constraints

Term Lang

~250 Lines of Code

Solver

Violation Conditions

+

Implicit Equalities

mK(λ)

Solving, Generally

Solving, Generally

1. Solve explicit equality constraints

Solving, Generally

1. Solve explicit equality constraints
2. Sequentially solve any implicit equalities

Solving, Generally

1. Solve explicit equality constraints
2. Sequentially solve any implicit equalities
3. Check n -wise constraint violation conditions

Roadmap

- miniKanren, briefly
- a small kernel logic programming language
- miniKanren languages are syntactic extensions
- generalizing to constraints
- interrelated semantics
- parameterized by their constraint systems
- constraint system framework
- bolsters the development of useful tools and aids in solving important tasks



**INTERPRETER
(RELATIONAL)**

$$\frac{\lambda \notin_{\text{env}} \rho}{\rho \vdash \lambda x.e \Downarrow \langle \lambda x.e \text{ in } \rho \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\lambda \notin_{\text{env}} \rho}{\rho \vdash \lambda x.e \Downarrow \langle \lambda x.e \text{ in } \rho \rangle}$$

```
(define-relation (not-in-envo x env)
  (conde
    [(== '() env)]
    [(fresh (y _ rest)
      (== `((,y ,_) . ,rest) env)
      (=/= y x)
      (not-in-envo x rest))]))
```

$$\frac{\lambda \notin_{\text{env}} \rho}{\rho \vdash \lambda x.e \Downarrow \langle \lambda x.e \text{ in } \rho \rangle}$$

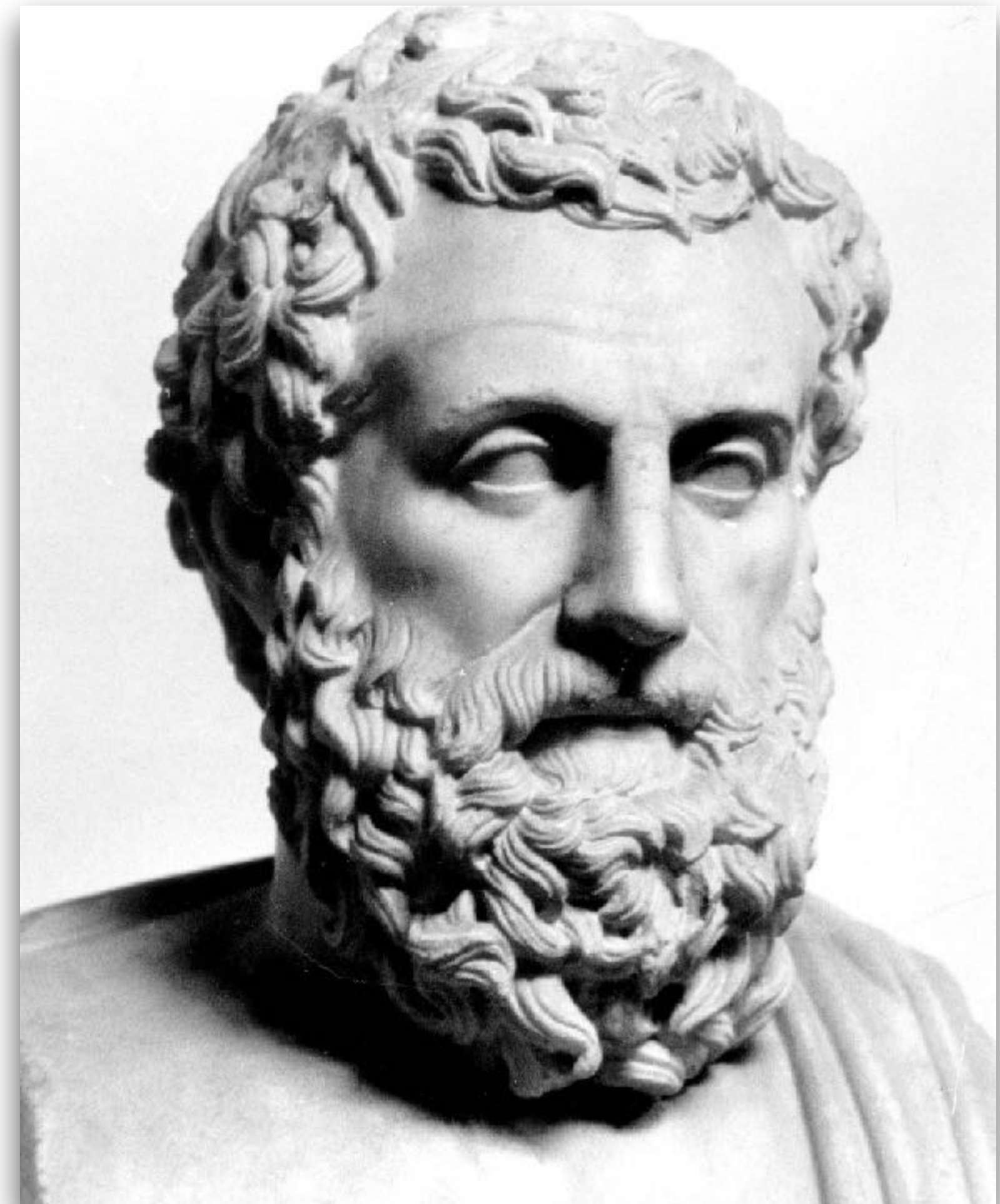
```
(define-relation (not-in-envo x env)
  (conde
    [(== '() env)]
    [(fresh (y _ rest)
      (== `((,y ,_) . ,rest) env)
      (=/= y x)
      (not-in-envo x rest))]))
```

```
(define-relation (=/= n1 n2)
  (conde
    [(fresh (pn2)
      (== n2 `(s . ,pn2))
      (== n1 '())))]
    [(fresh (pn1)
      (== n1 `(s . ,pn1))
      (== n2 '())))]
    [(fresh (pn1 pn2)
      (== n1 `(s . ,pn1))
      (== n2 `(s . ,pn2))
      (=/= pn1 pn2))]))
```

```
(define-relation (not-in-envo x env)
  (conde
    [(== '() env)]
    [(fresh (y _ rest)
      (== `((,y ,_) . ,rest) env)
      (=/= y x)
      (not-in-envo x rest))]))
```

RELATIONAL SYLLOGISTIC LOGIC PROGRAMS

```
(define-relation (A  $\phi$   $\Gamma$  prf)
  (match  $\phi$ 
    [( $\forall$  ,a ,a) (==  $\phi$  prf)]
    [,x (membero x  $\Gamma$ )
      (== prf `(:,x in- $\Gamma$ ))]
    [( $\forall$  ,n ,q)
      (fresh (p prf1 prf2)
        (== `((:,prf1 ,prf2) => , $\phi$ ) prf)
        (A `(A ,n ,p)  $\Gamma$  prf1)
        (A `(A ,p ,q)  $\Gamma$  prf2)))]))
```



RELATIONAL SYLLOGISTIC LOGIC PROGRAMS

```
(define-relation (A  $\phi$   $\Gamma$  prf)
  (match  $\phi$ 
    [( $\forall$  ,a ,a) (==  $\phi$  prf)]
    [ ,x (membero x  $\Gamma$ )
      (== prf ` ( ,x in- $\Gamma$ ))]
    [( $\forall$  ,n ,q)
      (fresh (p prf1 prf2)
        (== ` (( ,prf1 ,prf2) => , $\phi$ ) prf)
        (A ` ( $\forall$  ,n ,p)  $\Gamma$  prf1)
        (A ` ( $\forall$  ,p ,q)  $\Gamma$  prf2)))]))
```

Axiom

Lookup

“Barbara” inference

```
(define-relation (un-atomo a)
  (fresh (sym)
    (symbolo sym)
    (== a `(-2 . ,sym)))))
```

Still relying on primitives!
Adding tags!

Results

Results

1. Characterize classes of "miniKanren constraints"

Results

1. Characterize classes of "miniKanren constraints"
2. Connect our constraints to prior work in negation in logic programming

Results

1. Characterize classes of "miniKanren constraints"
2. Connect our constraints to prior work in negation in logic programming
3. A parameterized family of constraint miniKanren languages

Results

1. Characterize classes of "miniKanren constraints"
2. Connect our constraints to prior work in negation in logic programming
3. A parameterized family of constraint miniKanren languages
4. Racket macro-generate these constraint mK language implementations

Results

1. Characterize classes of "miniKanren constraints"
2. Connect our constraints to prior work in negation in logic programming
3. A parameterized family of constraint miniKanren languages
4. Racket macro-generate these constraint mK language implementations
5. Implementing constraint systems via macros

Results

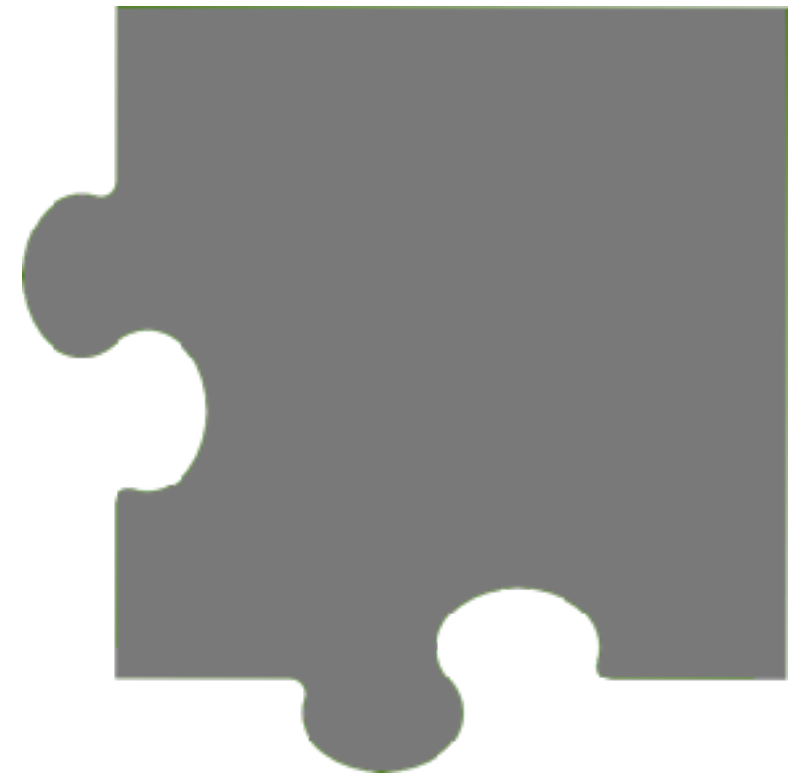
1. Characterize classes of "miniKanren constraints"
2. Connect our constraints to prior work in negation in logic programming
3. A parameterized family of constraint miniKanren languages
4. Racket macro-generate these constraint mK language implementations
5. Implementing constraint systems via macros
6. Introduce new constraints to miniKanren languages

Results

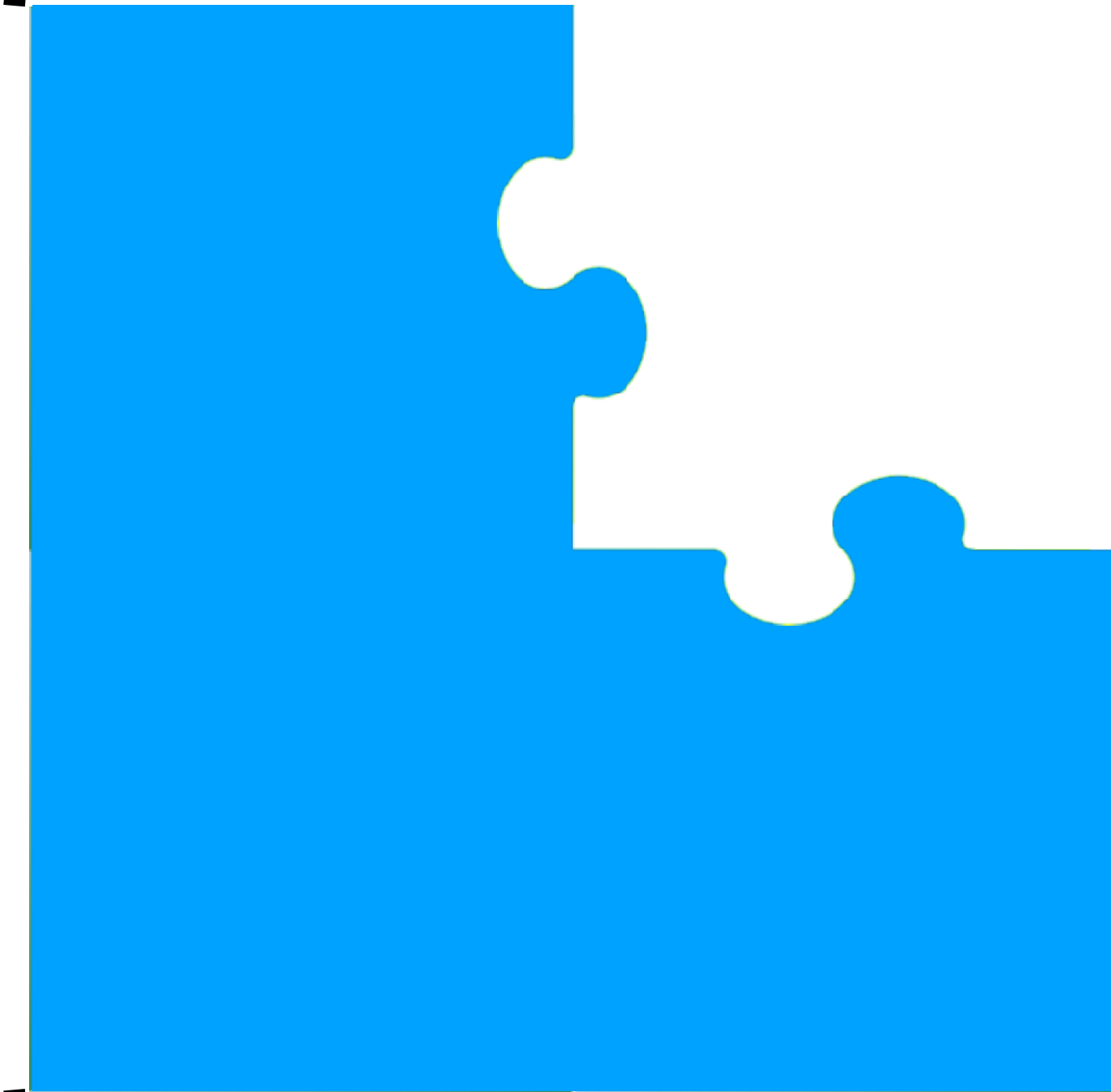
1. Characterize classes of "miniKanren constraints"
2. Connect our constraints to prior work in negation in logic programming
3. A parameterized family of constraint miniKanren languages
4. Racket macro-generate these constraint mK language implementations
5. Implementing constraint systems via macros
6. Introduce new constraints to miniKanren languages
7. miniKanren over microKanren

Thanks!

Domain



macro extension



Constraint microKanren