

# Constraint microKanren in the CLP Scheme

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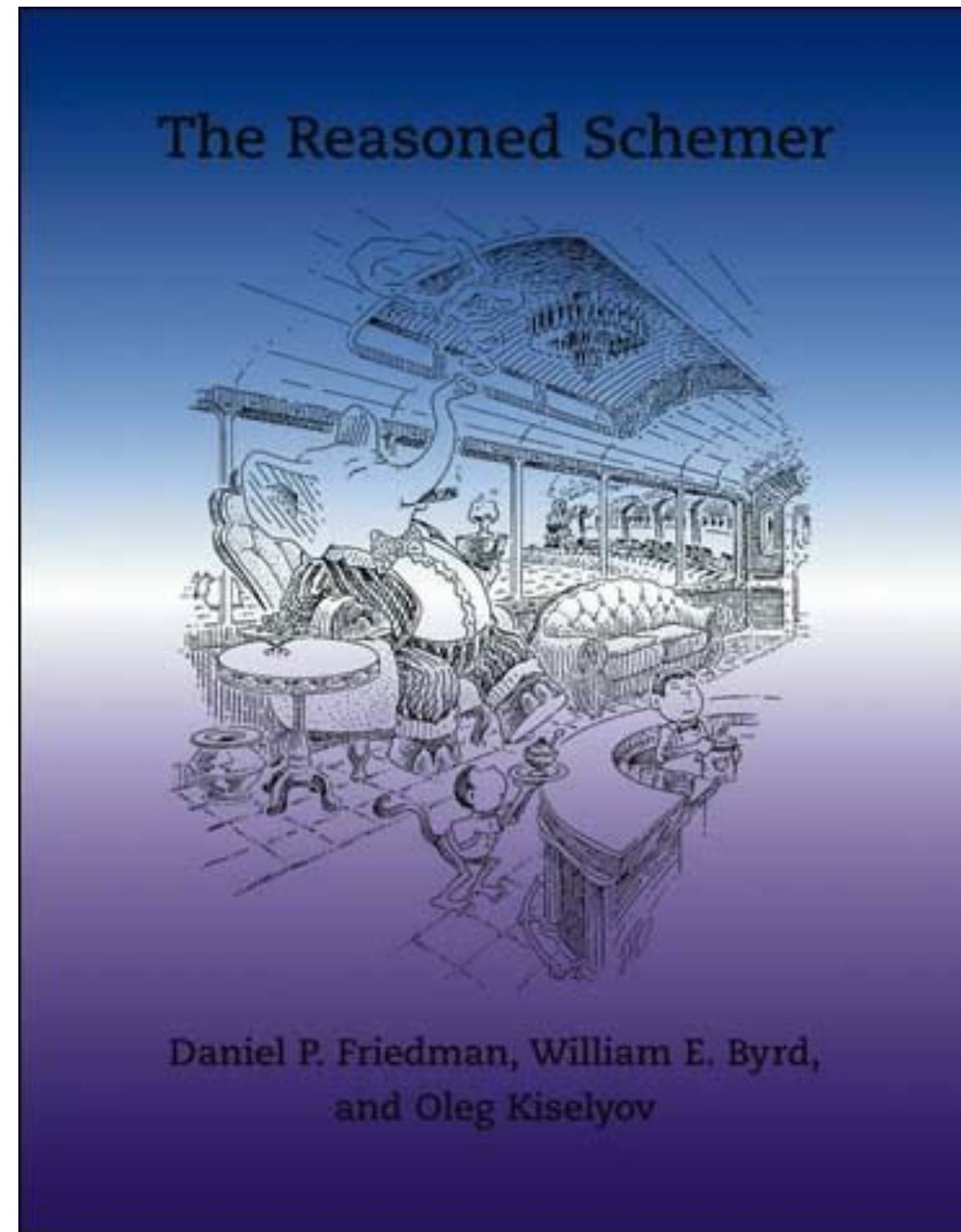
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solve this problem!



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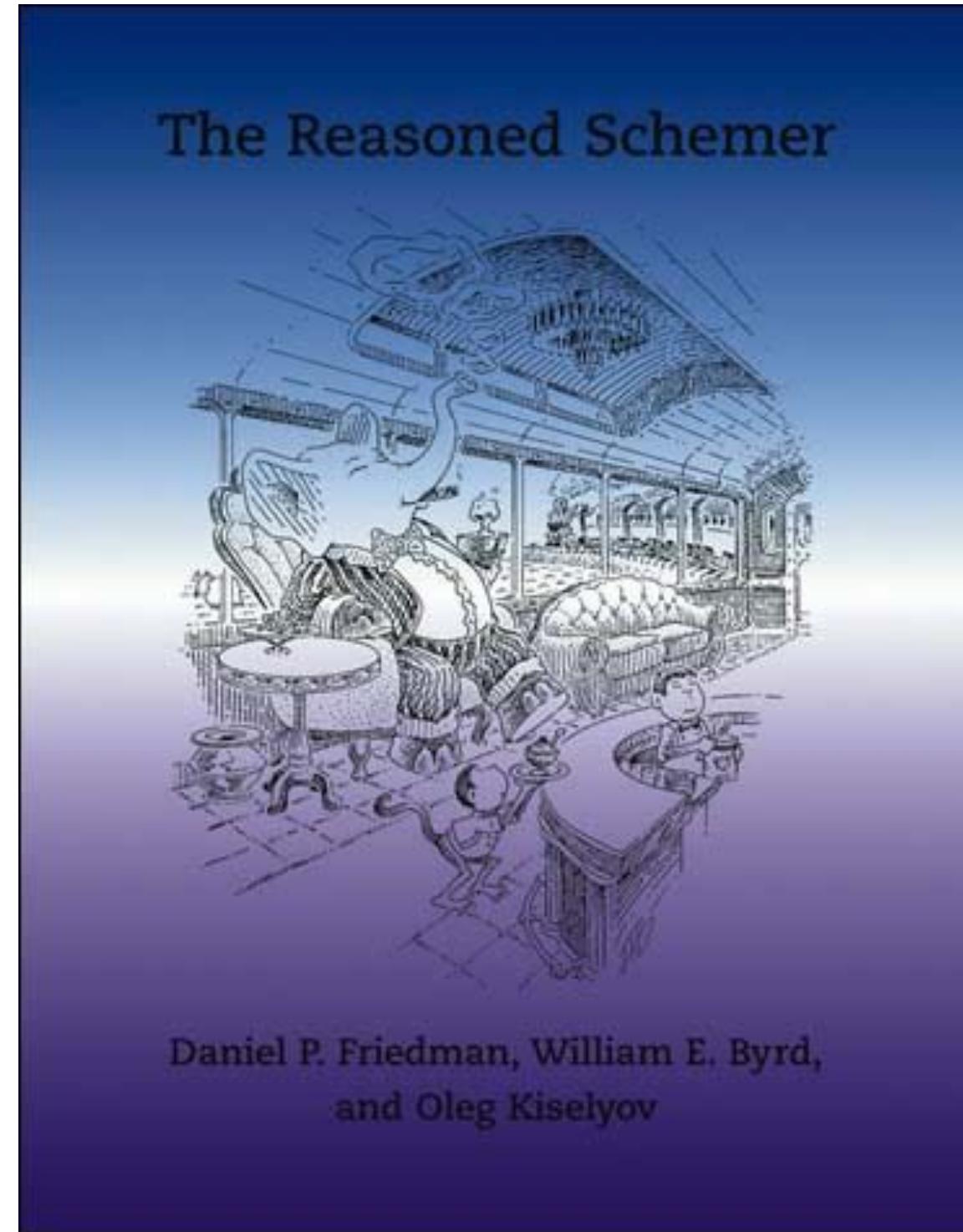


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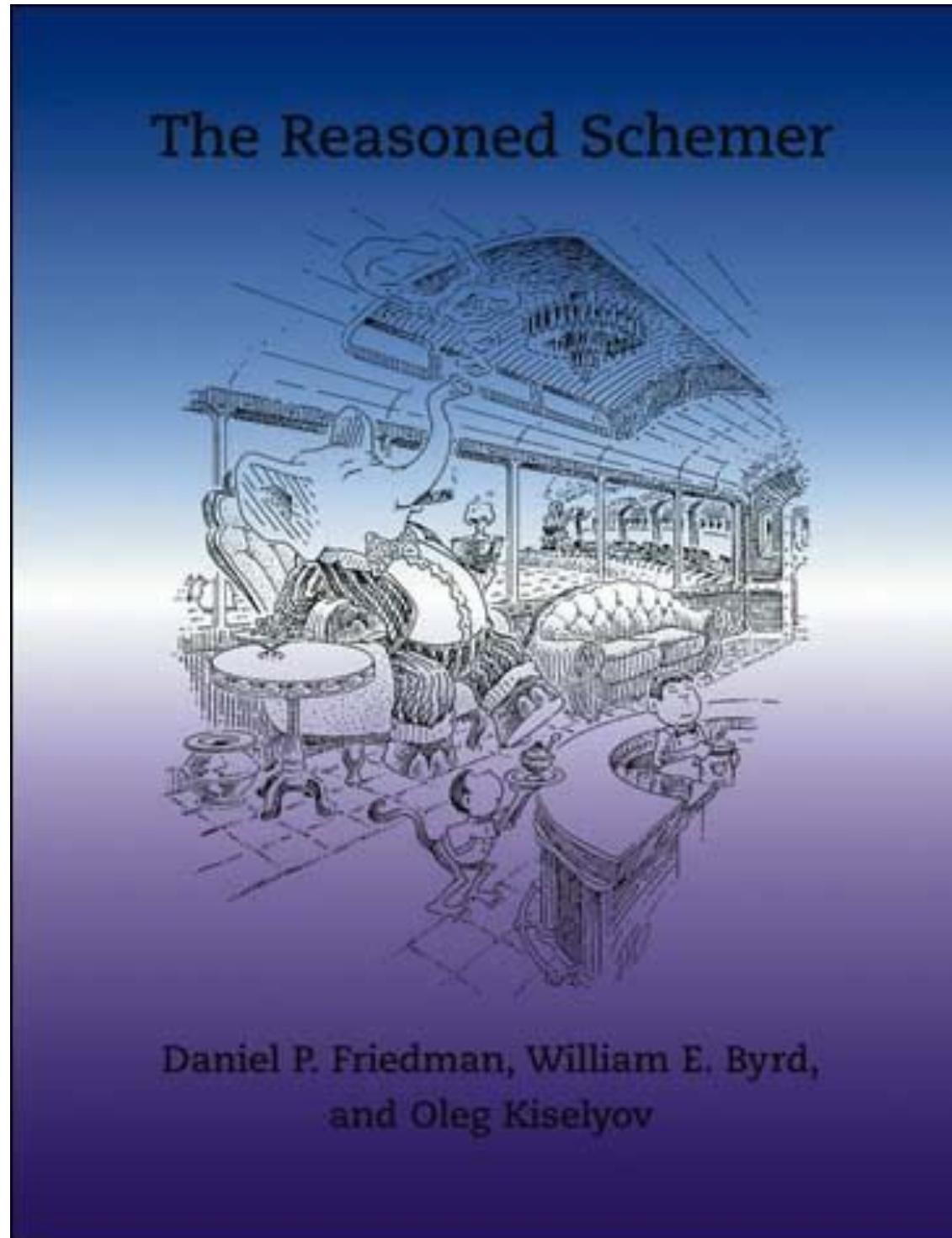


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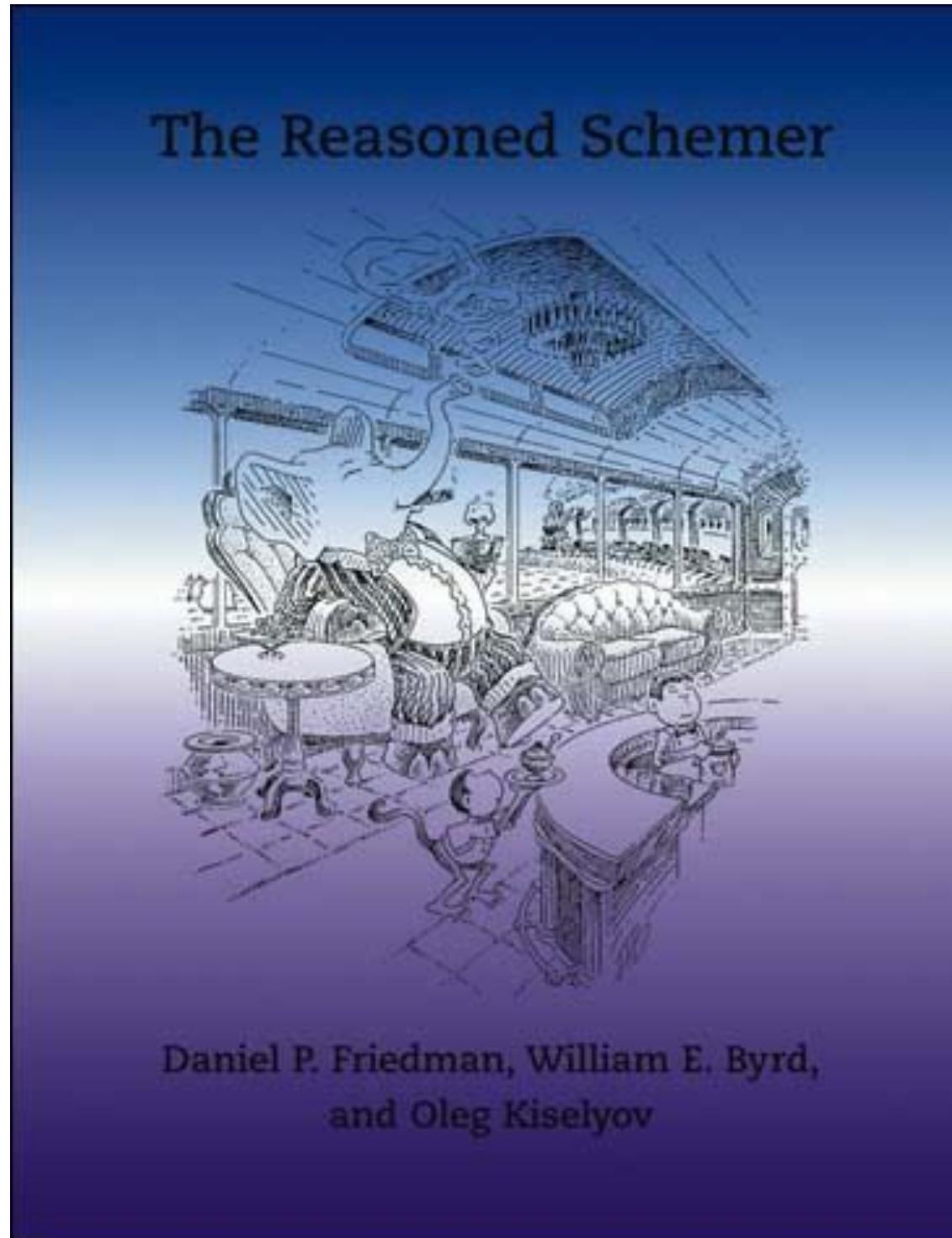
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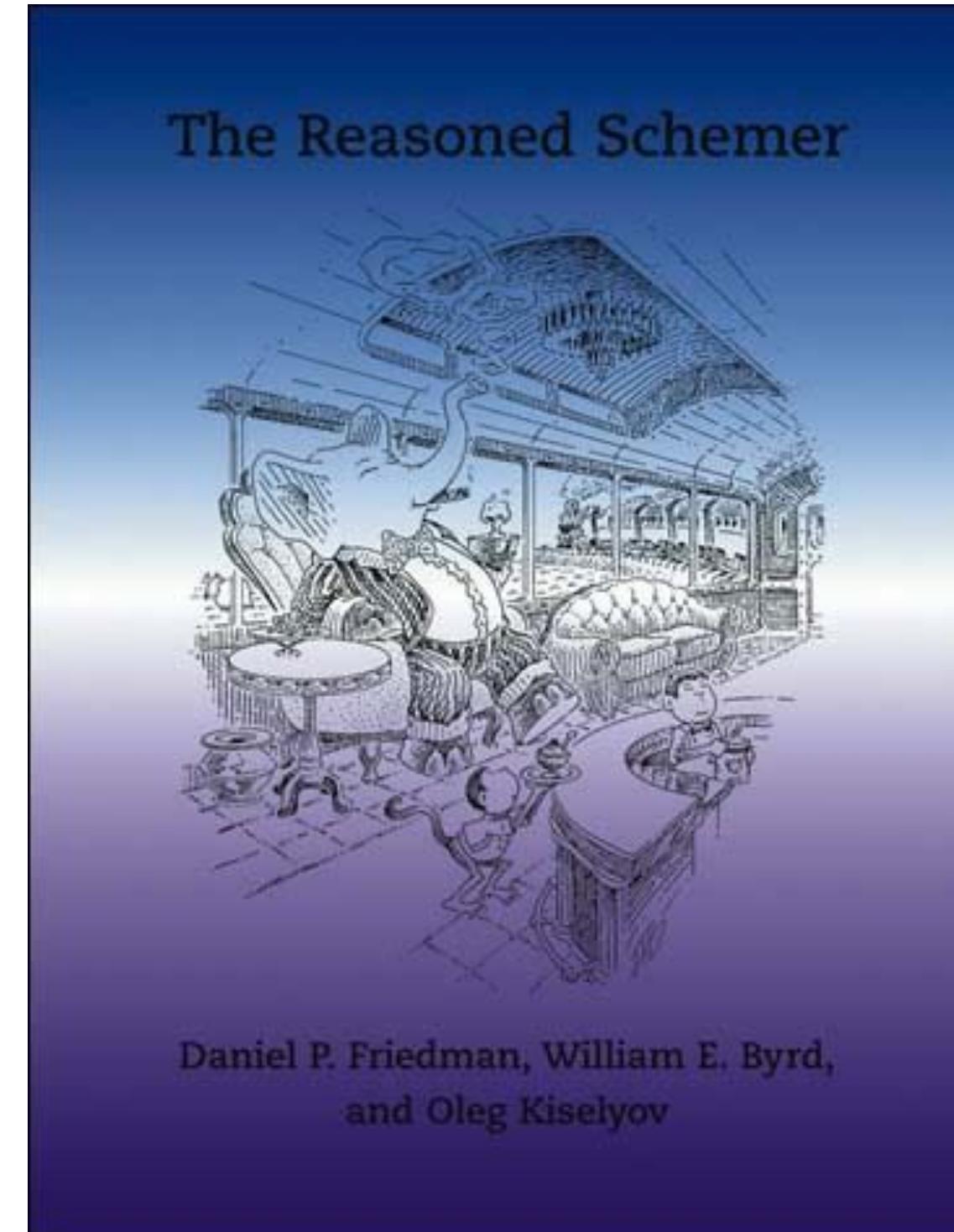
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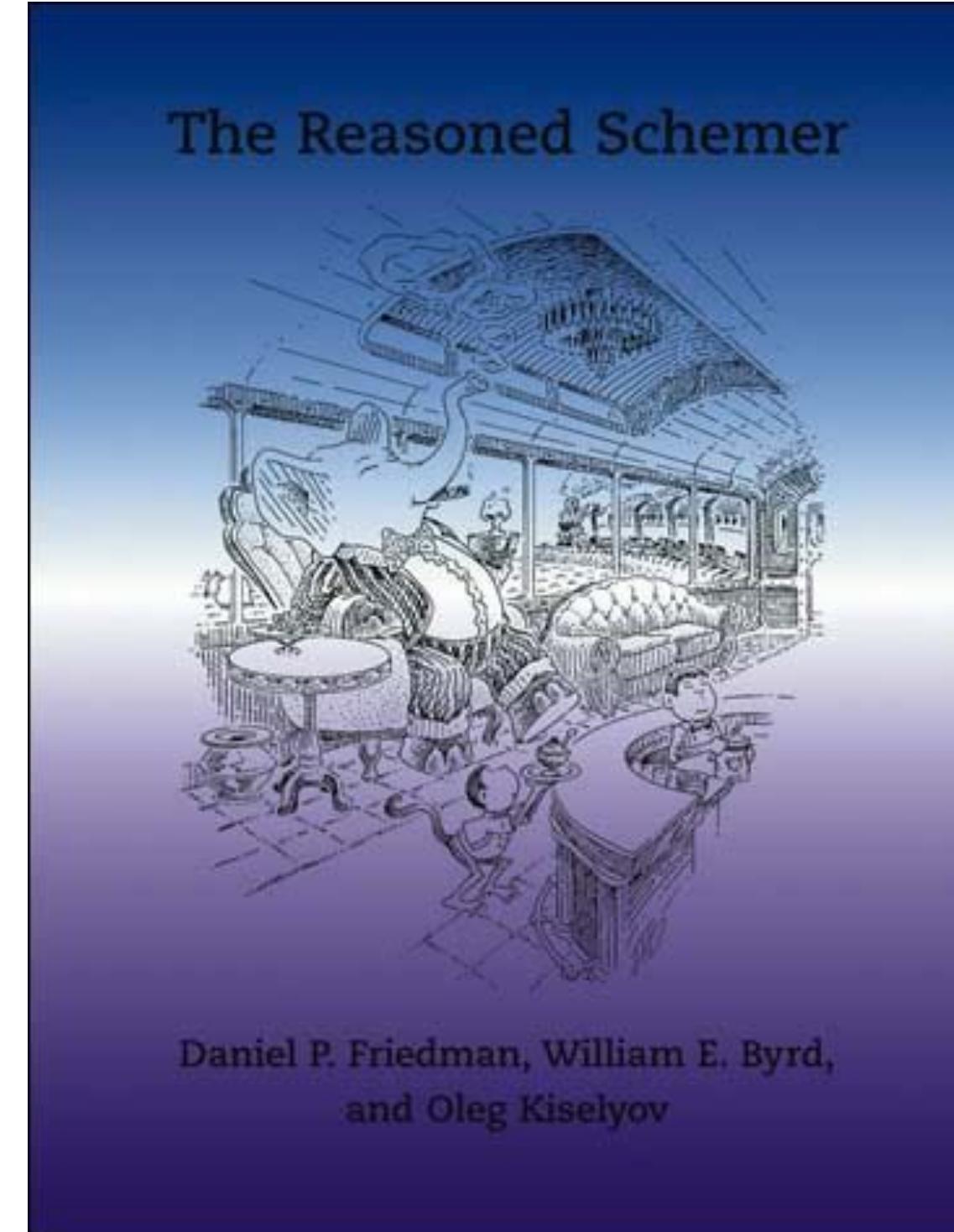
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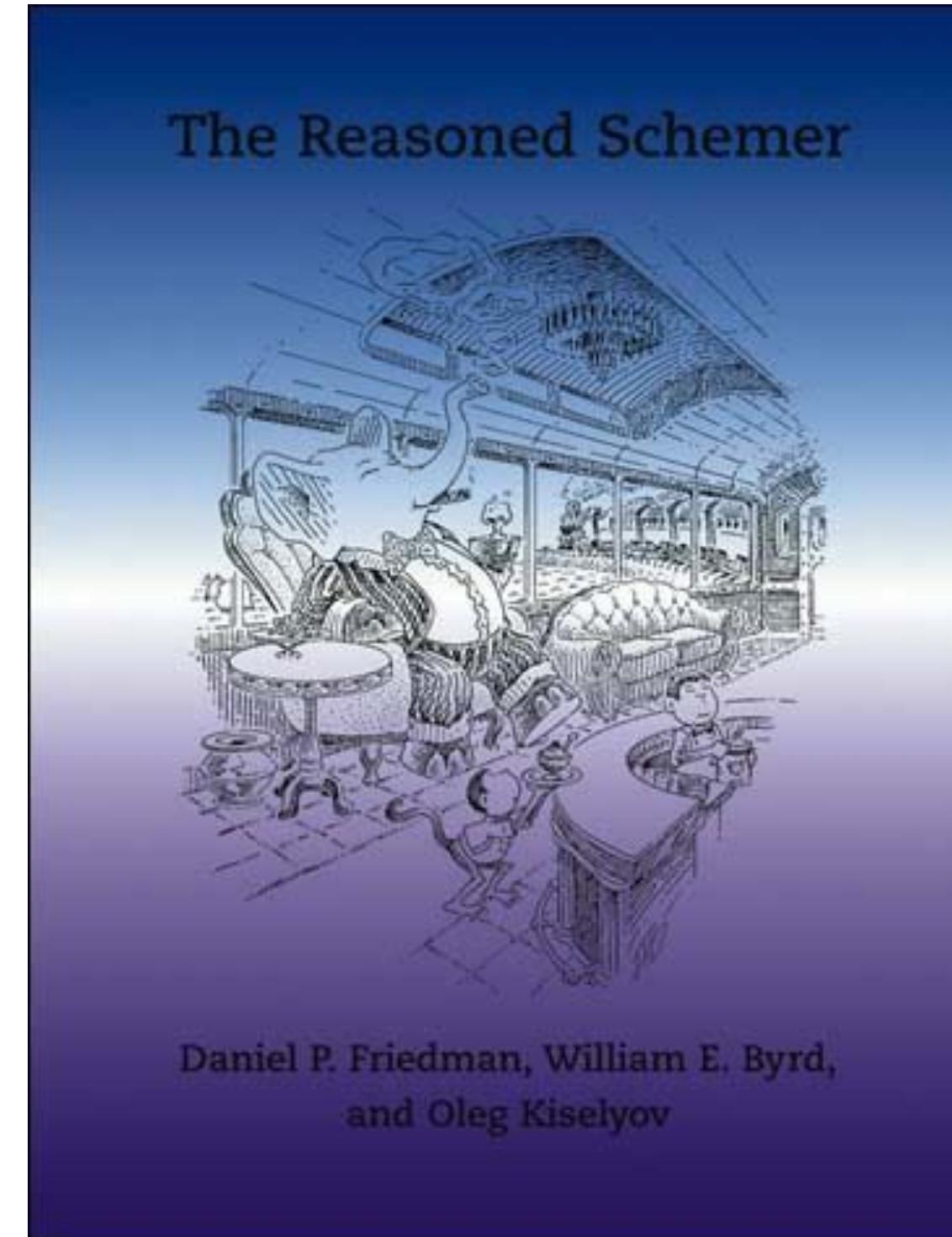
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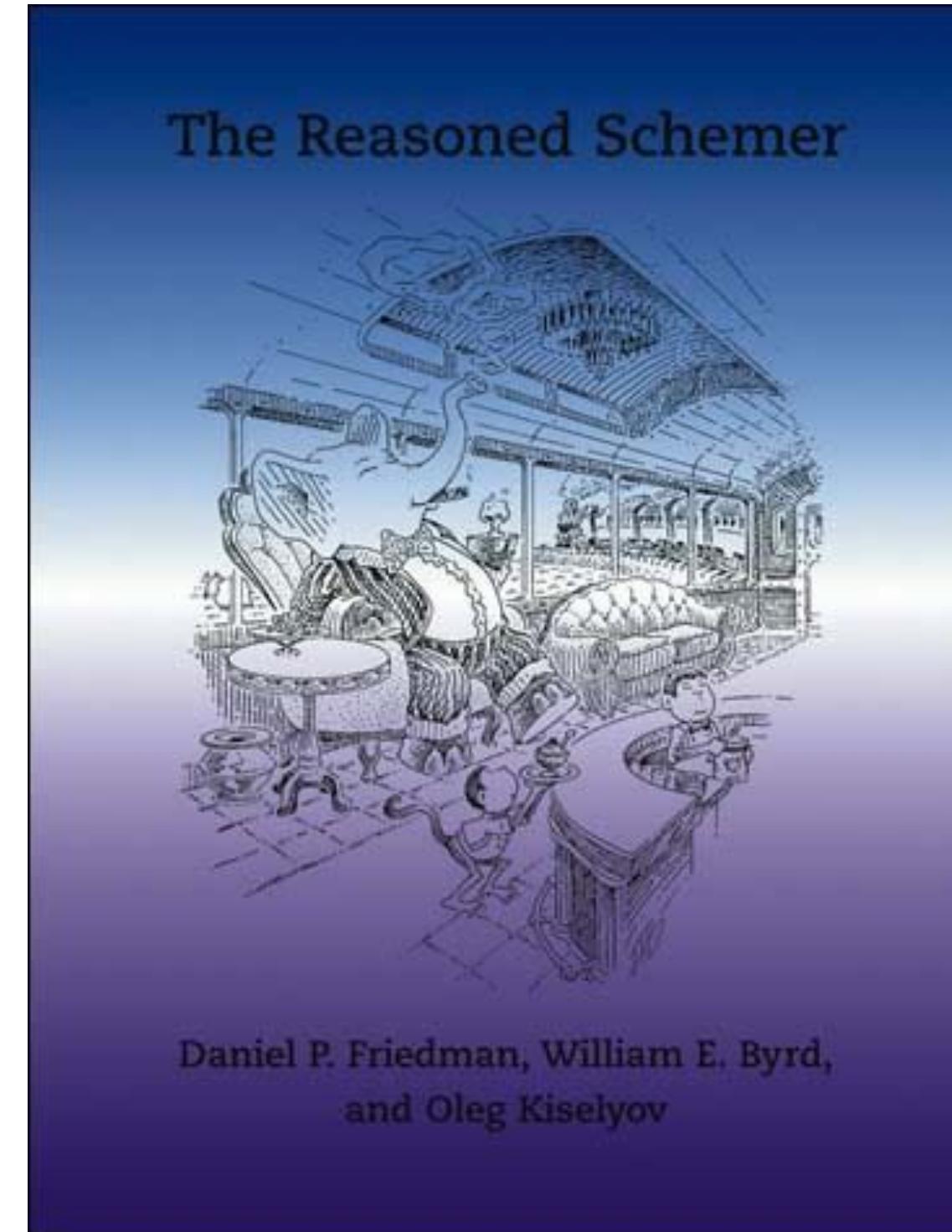
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# Commingled Syntax and Control

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

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## microKanren + constraints

Inbox x



Will William Byrd

to Jason, Daniel ▾

Mar 25 (5 days ago) ★



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

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# 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

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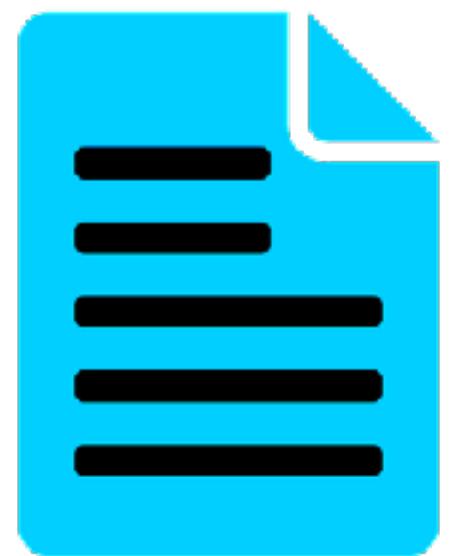
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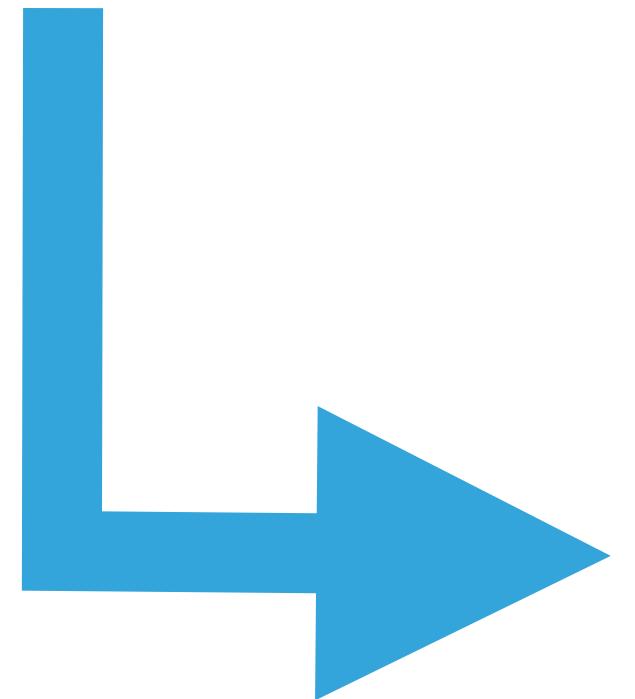
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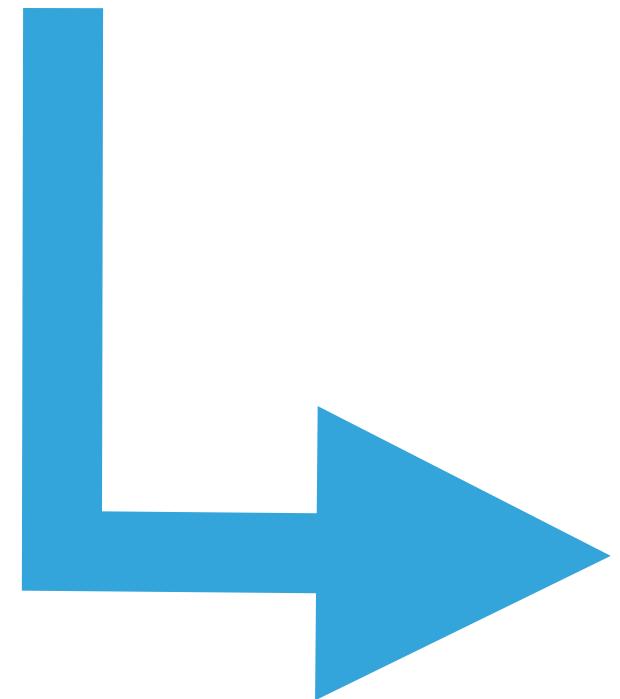
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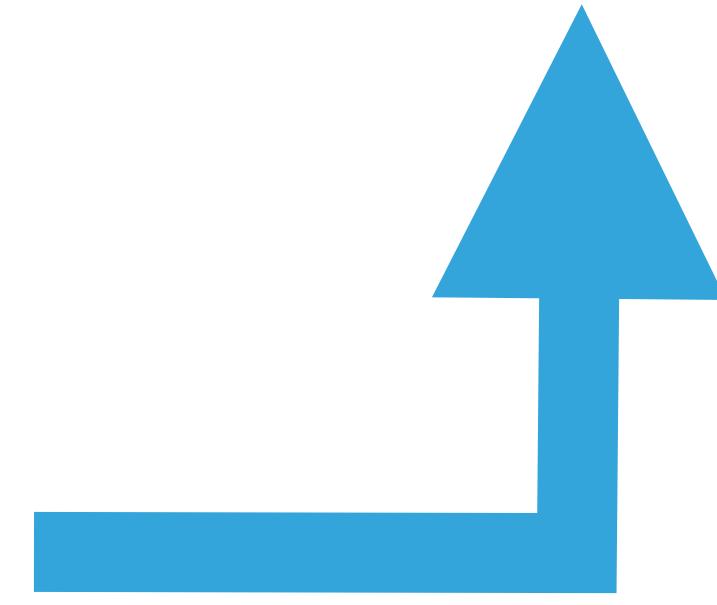
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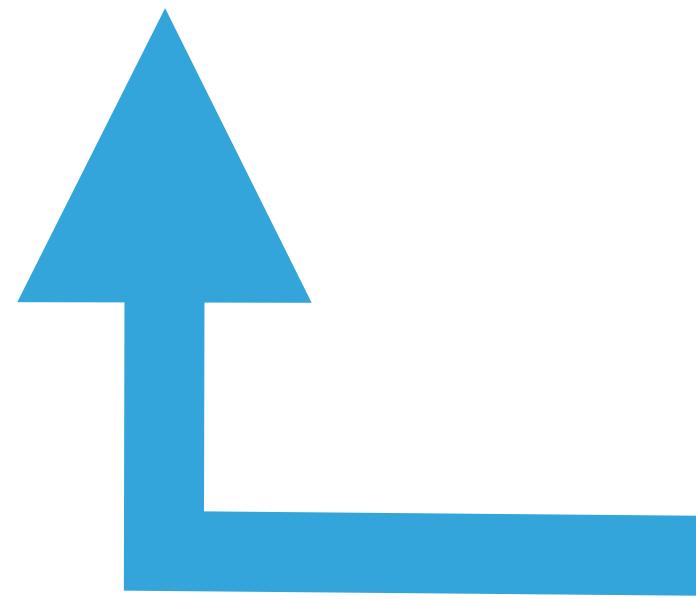
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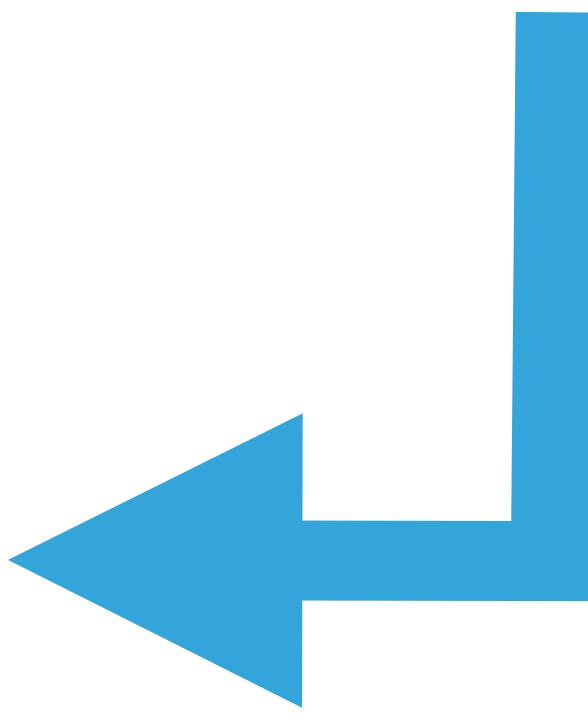
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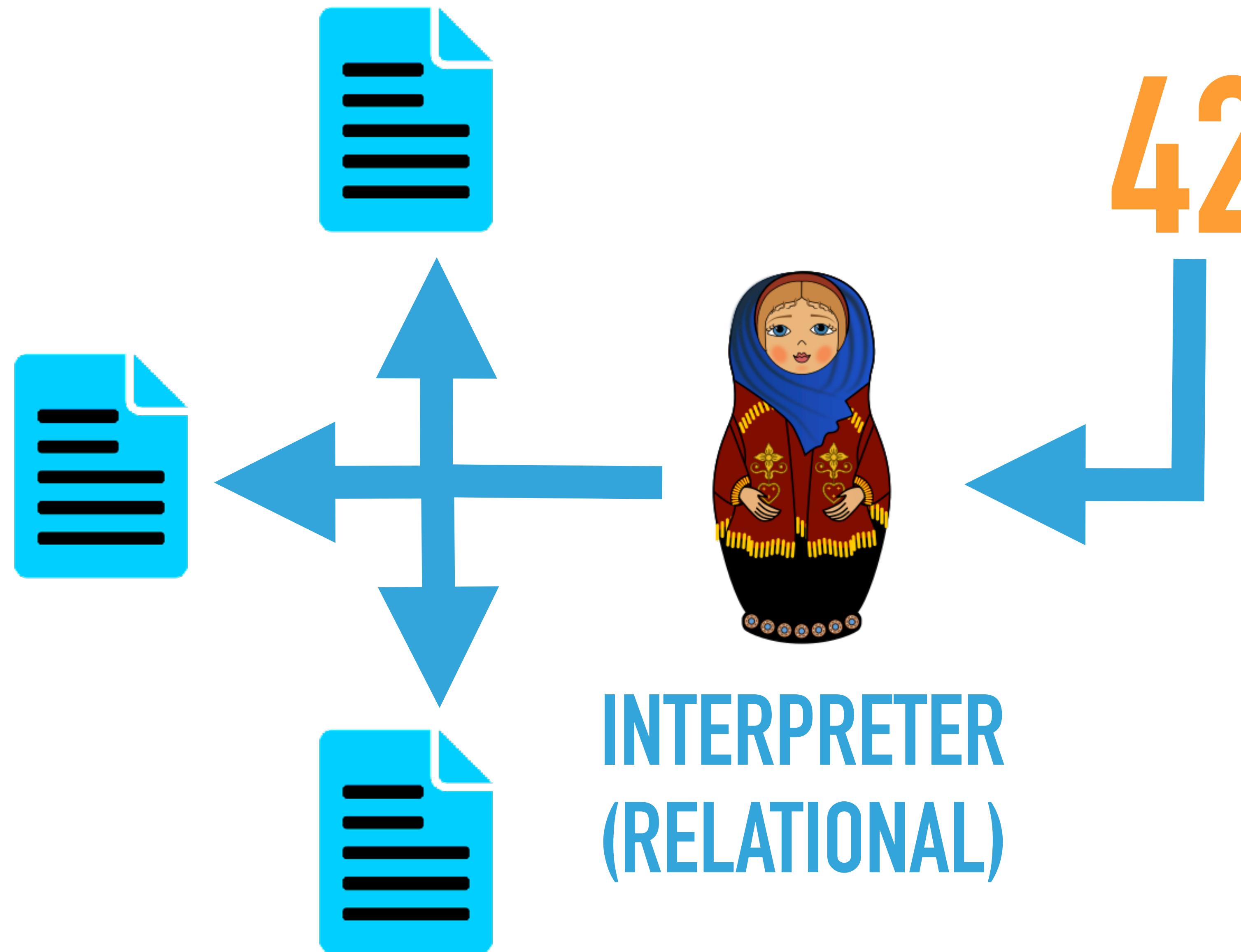
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RELATIONAL PROGRAMMING IN  
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# **$\alpha$ leanTAP: A Declarative Theorem Prover for First-Order Classical Logic**

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**Abstract.** We present  $\alpha$ leanTAP, a declarative tableau-based theorem prover written as a pure relation. Like leanTAP, on which it is based,  $\alpha$ leanTAP can prove ground theorems in first-order classical logic. Since it is declarative,  $\alpha$ leanTAP 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  $\alpha$ leanTAP, beginning with a translation of leanTAP into  $\alpha$ Kanren, an embedding of nominal logic programming in Scheme. We

# miniKanren, Live and Untagged

## Quine Generation via Relational Interpreters

### (Programming Pearl)

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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 quine_c
  '((lambda (x)
      (list x (list (quote quote) x)))
    (quote
      (lambda (x)
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```

We can easily verify that *quine<sub>c</sub>* evaluates to itself:



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(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))) `()))))


```

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(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)
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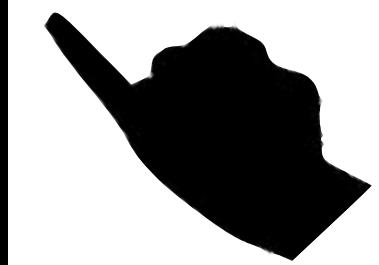
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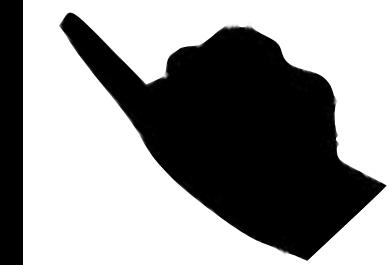
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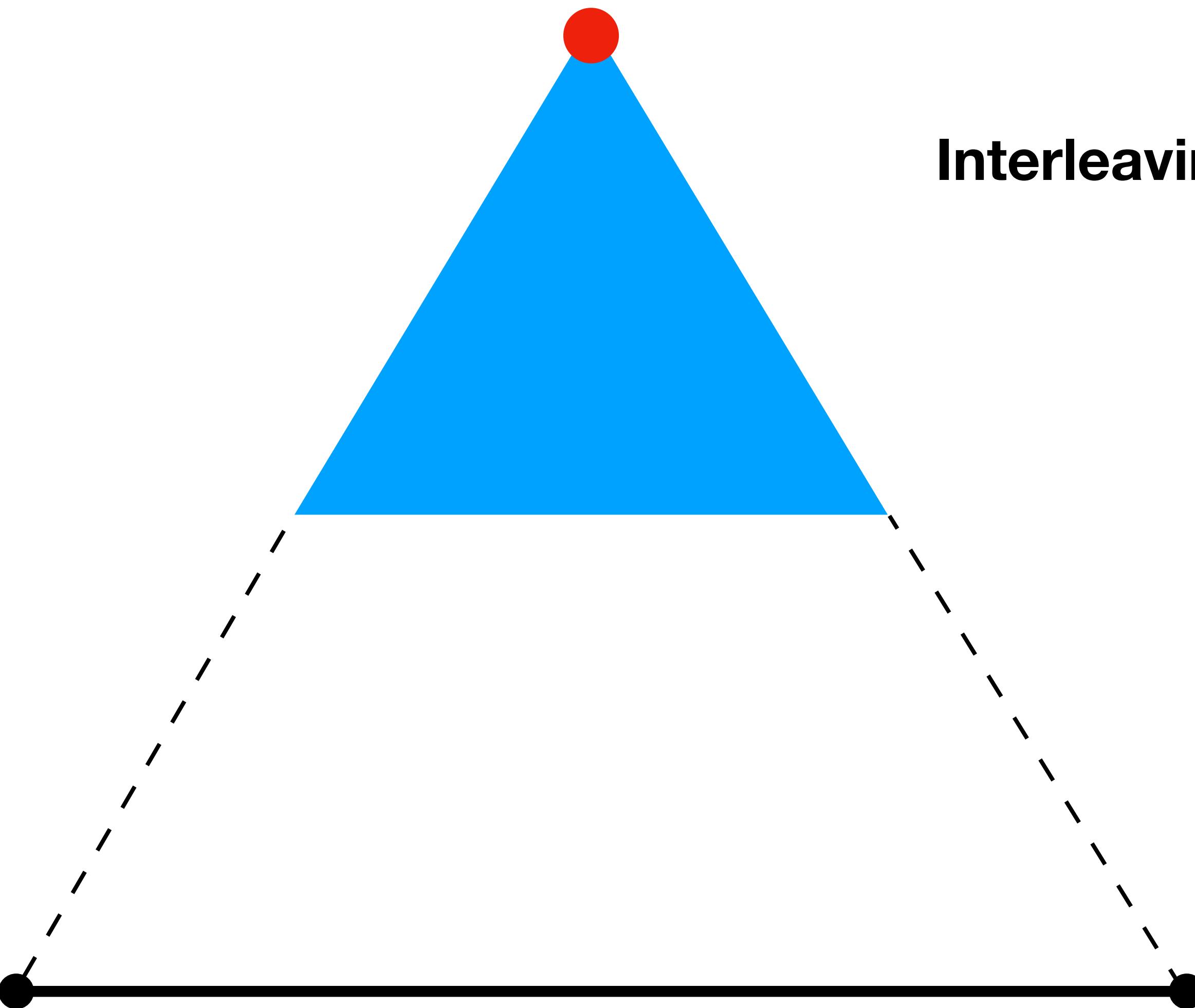
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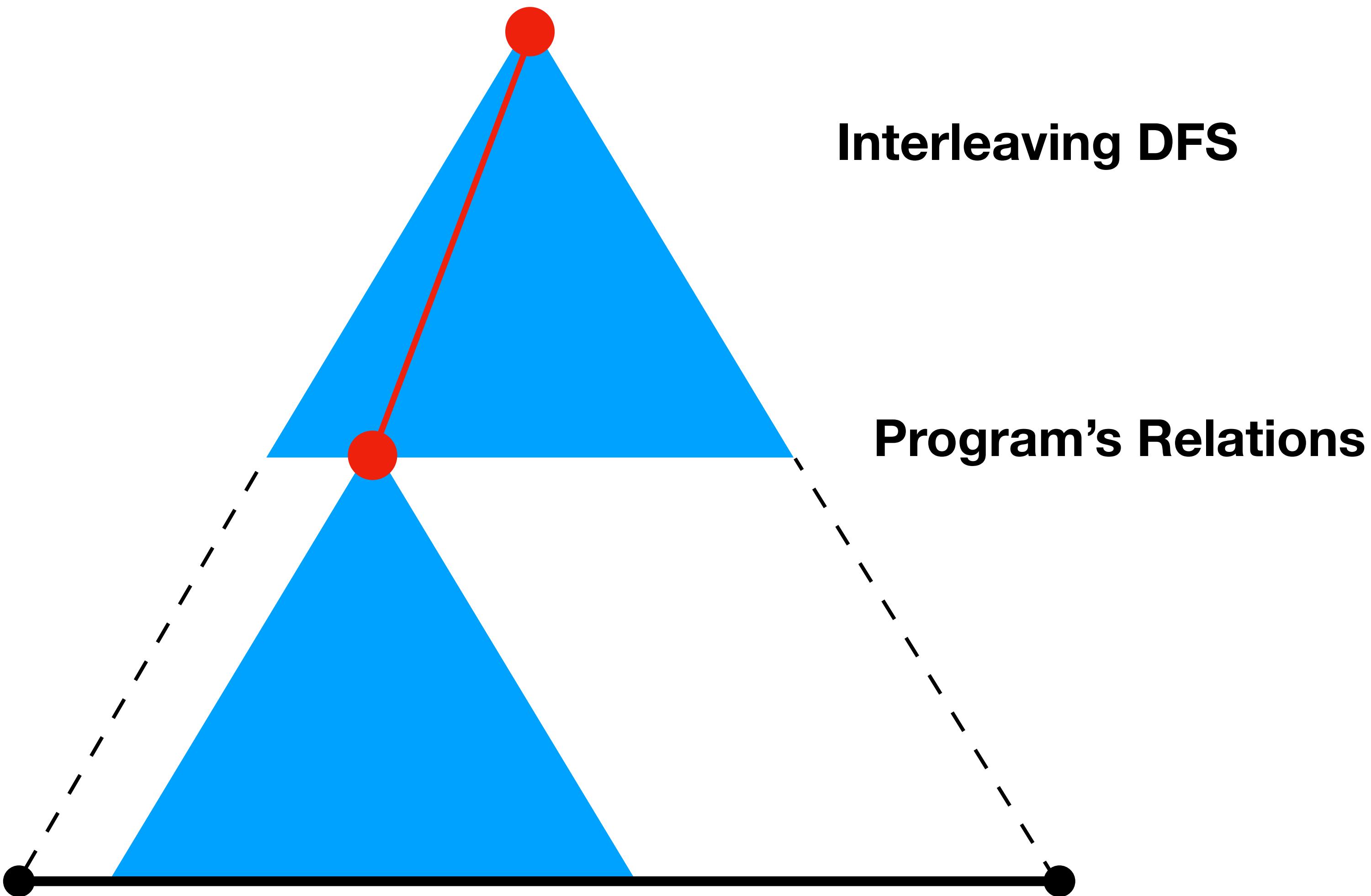
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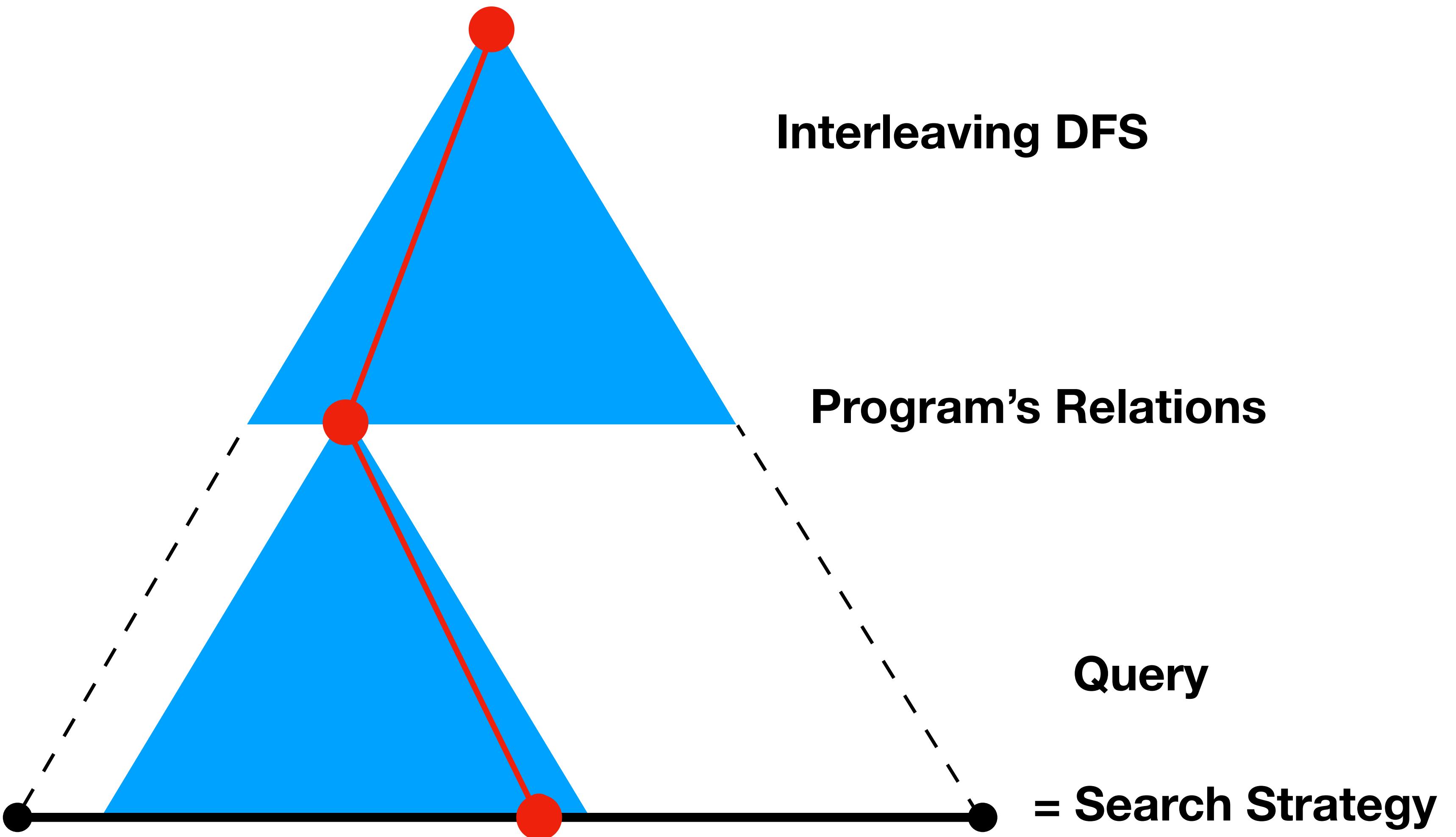
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## Interleaving DFS







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Macros + Functions

# microKanren Proliferates

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in 50 languages  
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    (else #f)))

```

## Equality

```

(define (unify u v s)
  (cond
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    ((var? v) (unify v u s))
    ((and (pair? u) (pair? v))
      (let ((s (unify (find (car u) s) (find (car v) s) s)))
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```

(define ((call/fresh f) s/c)
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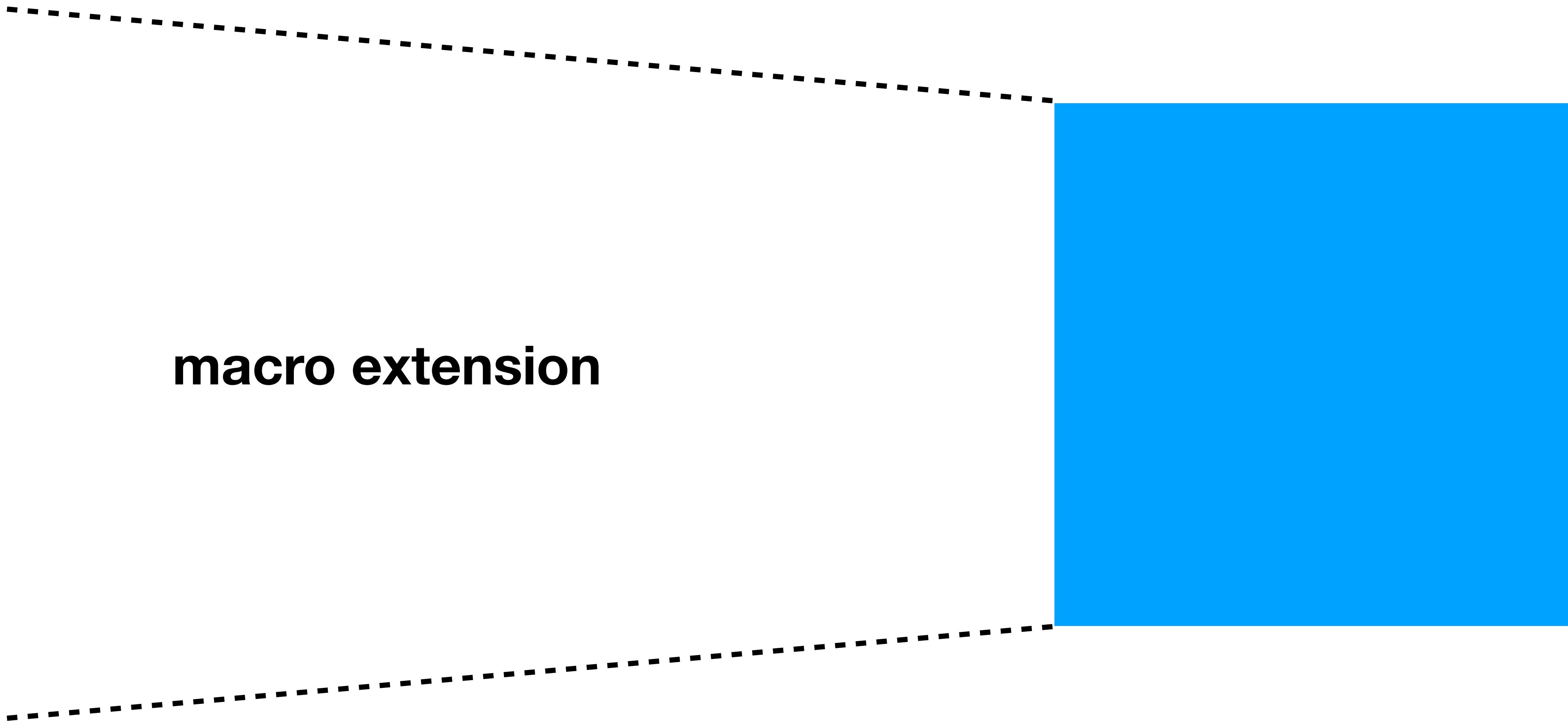
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# miniKanrens as Syntactic Extensions

**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 ...)))))
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(define-syntax-rule (conde (g0 g ...) (g0* g* ...) ...)
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Control

# **Constraints Add More Problems**

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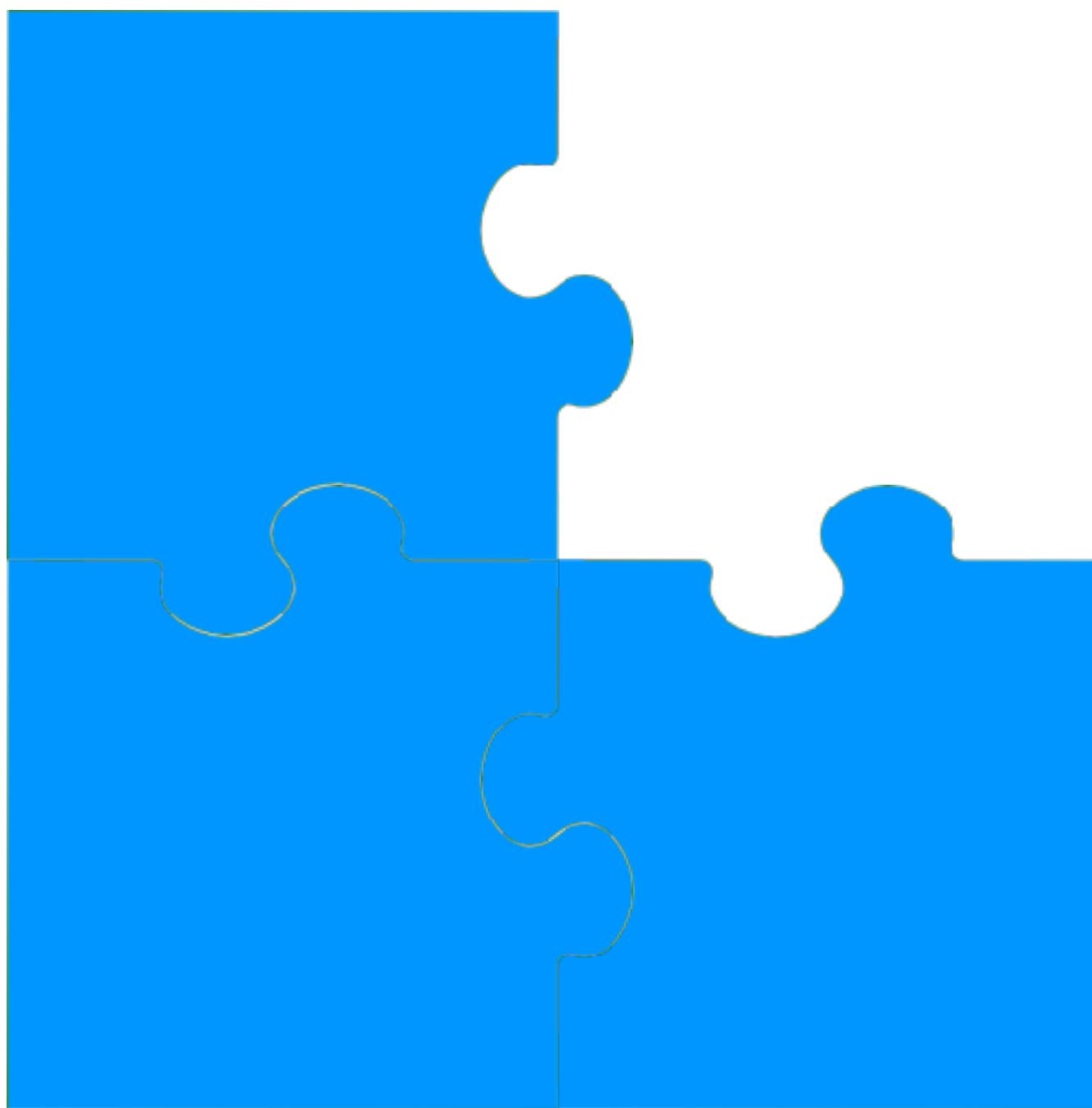
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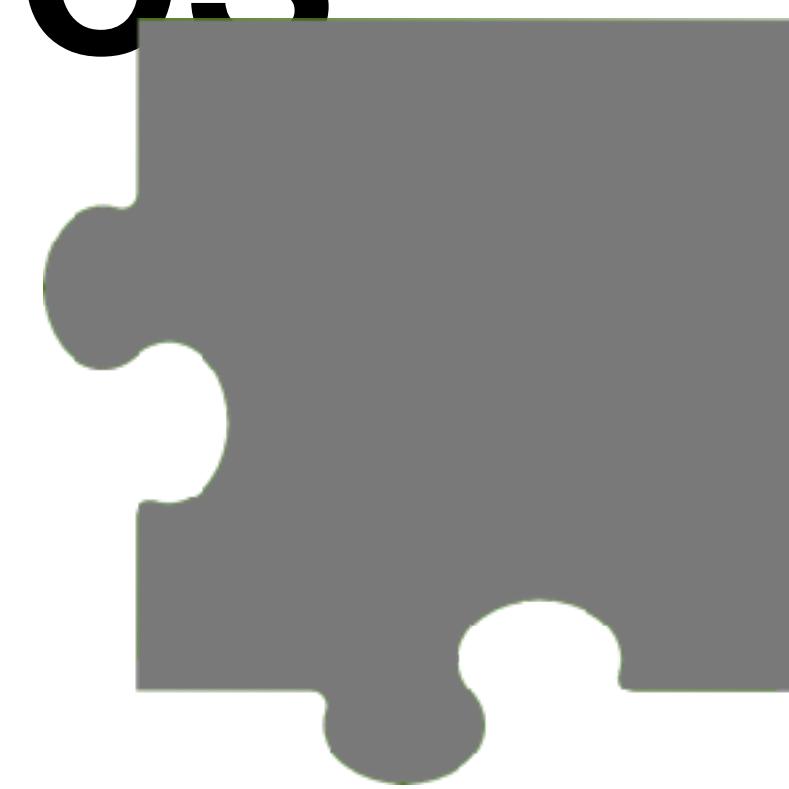
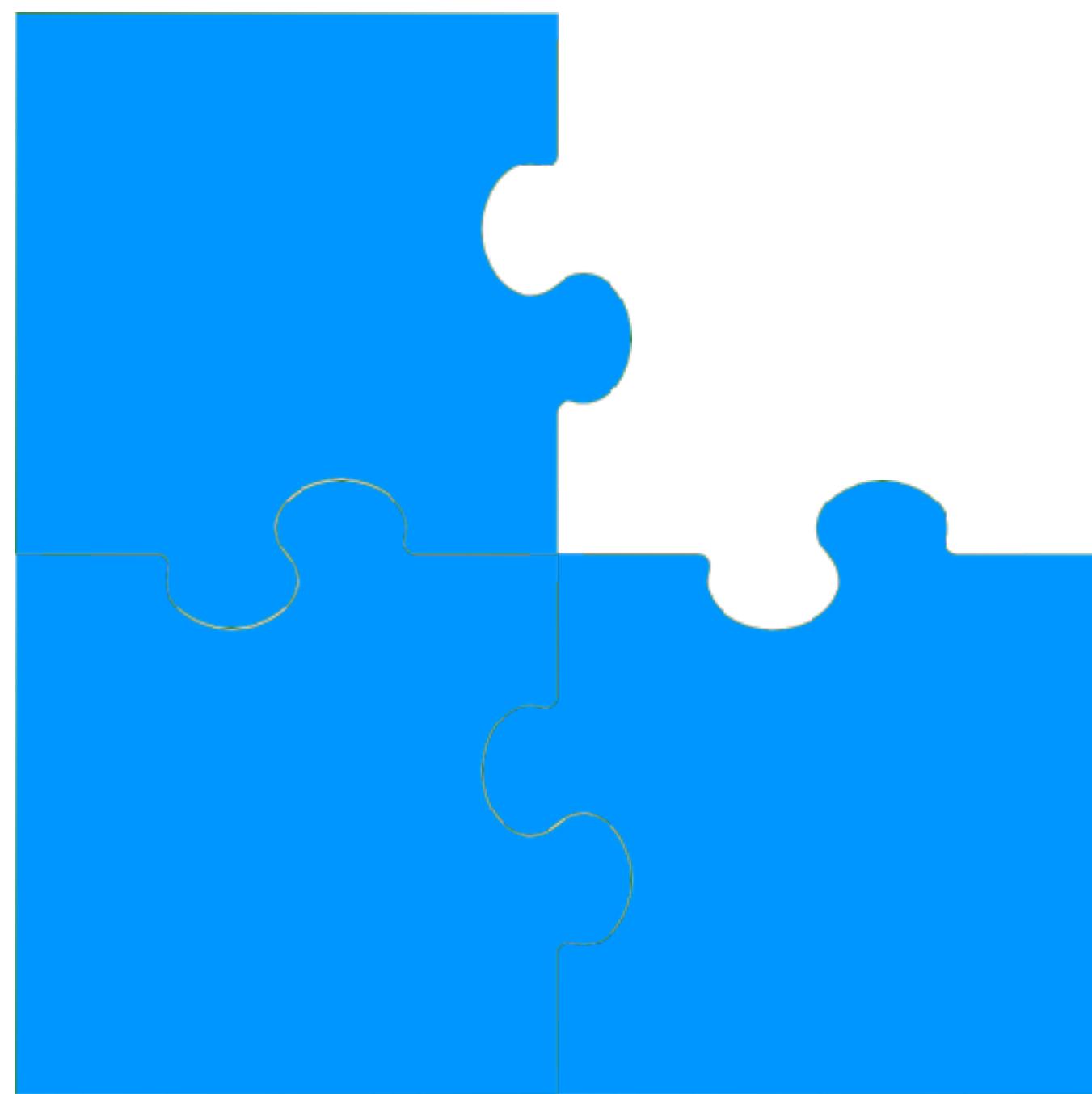
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# Interrelated Semantics



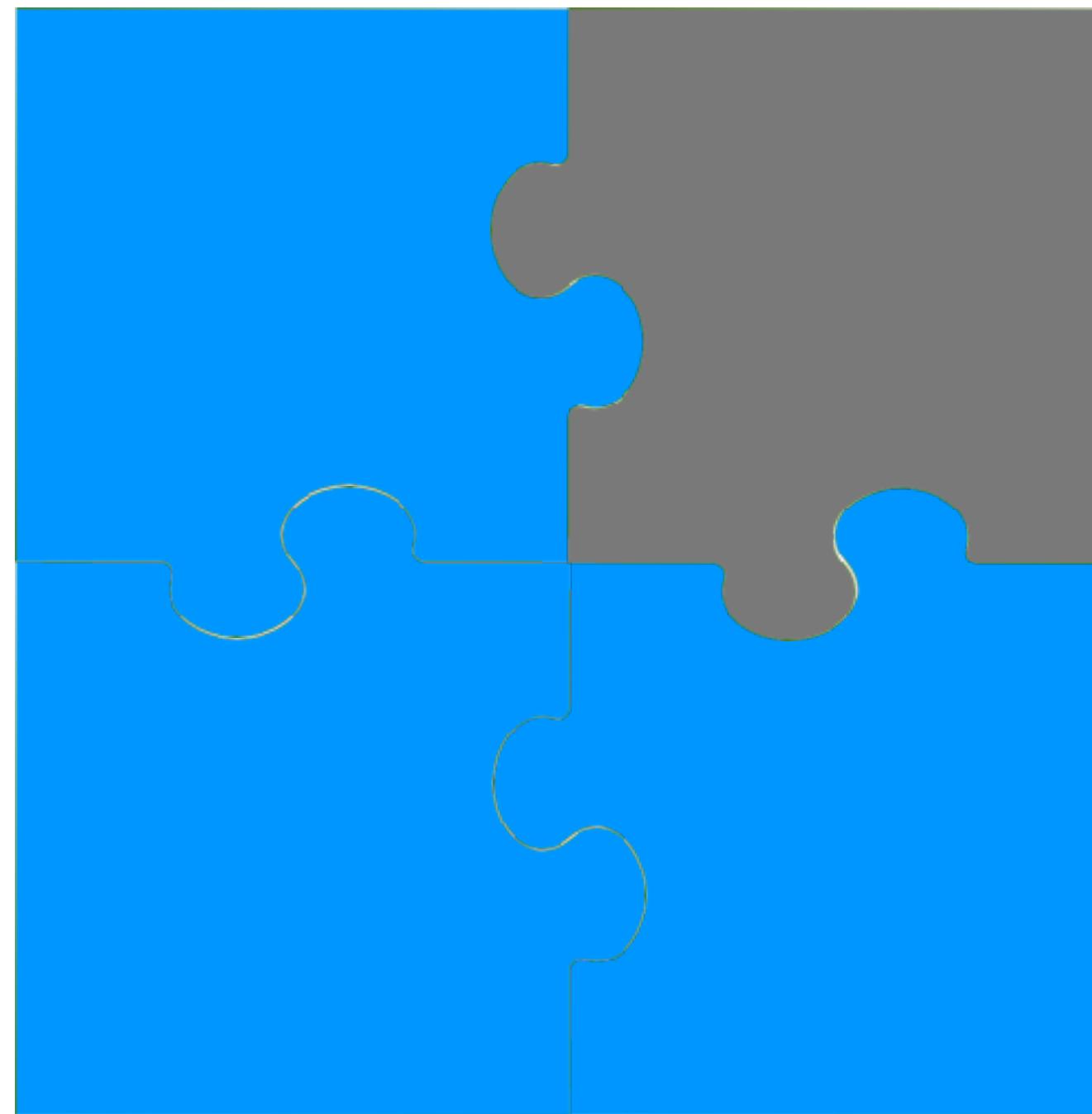
Parameterized Lang Class  $\text{CLP}(\cdot)$

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Instantiated with a Constraint Domain  $\mathcal{X}$

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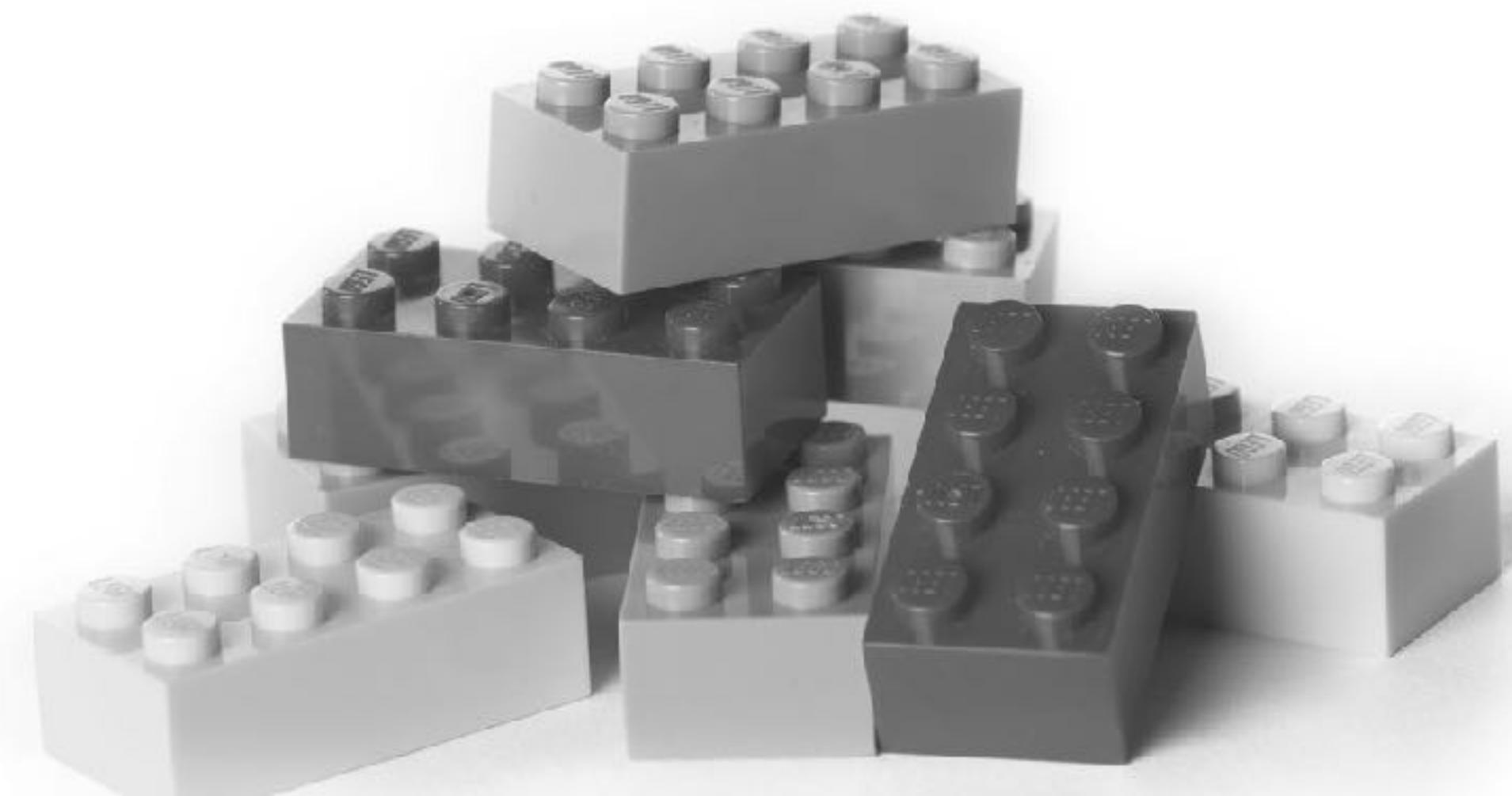


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- A **signature  $\Sigma$**  for the constraint domain
- The **constraints**, a class of FO  $\Sigma$ -formulas
- A  **$\Sigma$ -theory**, the constraints' logical semantics
- A  **$\Sigma$ -structure**, the constraints' intended interpretation — algebraic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



# How Did We Fit In? (Restrictions)

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



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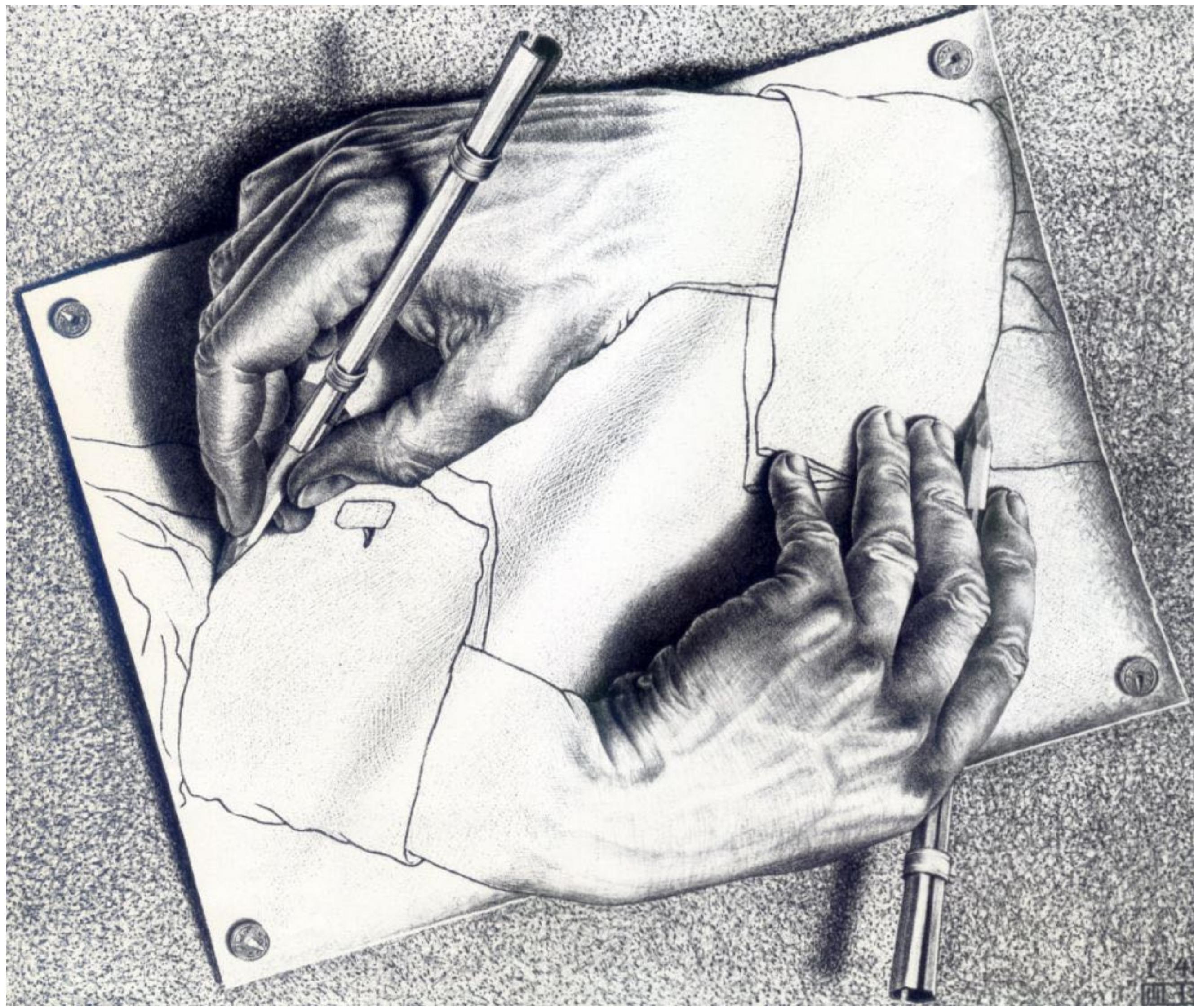
$$w\sqsubseteq x\sqsubseteq y$$

w ⊑ x ⊑ y ⊑ z

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

w  $\leqslant$  x  
x  $\sqsubseteq$  y  
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z  $\geqslant$  w

w        x  
      //    //  
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z        y



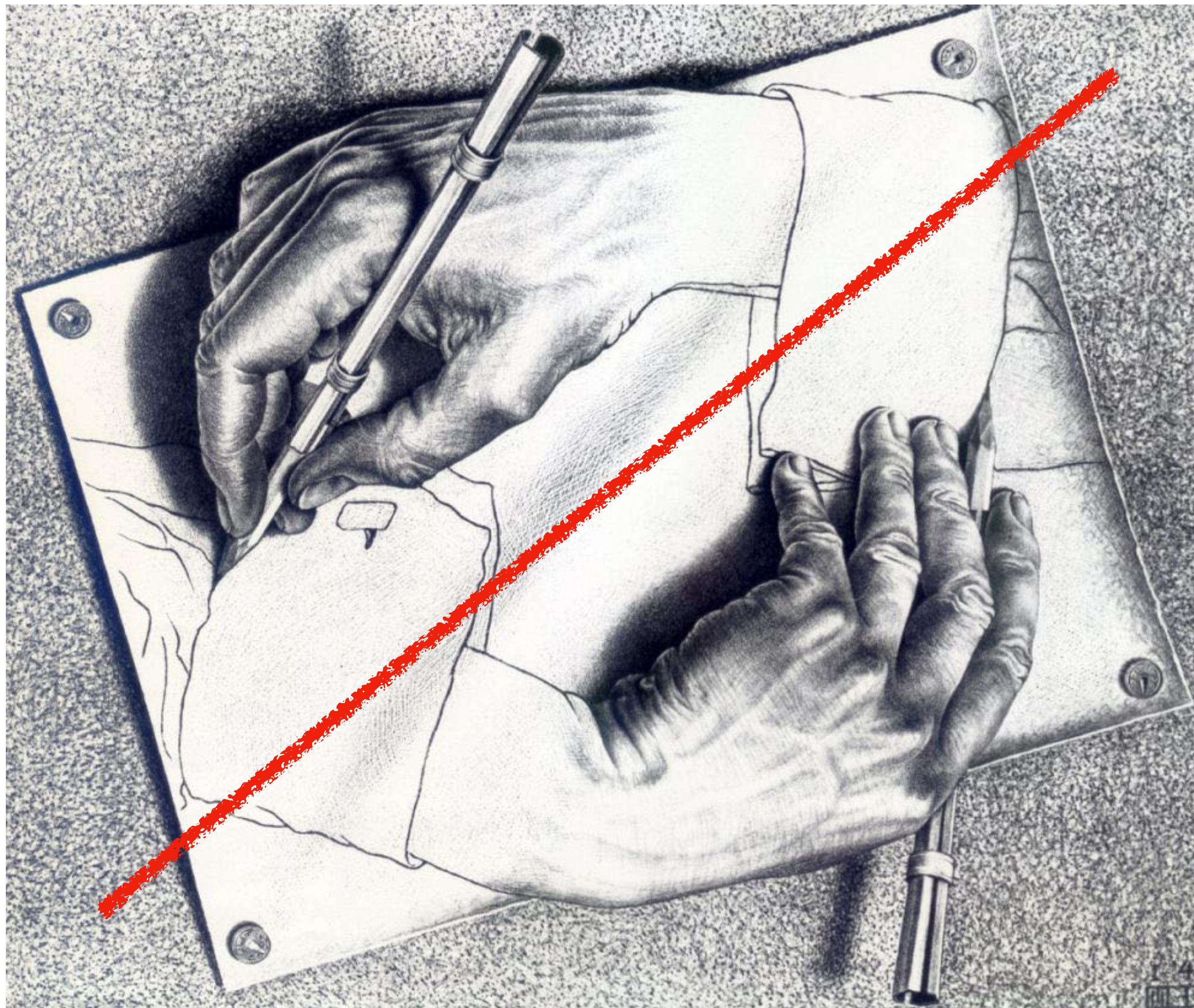
# Independence of Negative Constraints

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

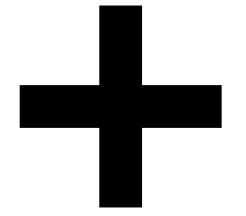
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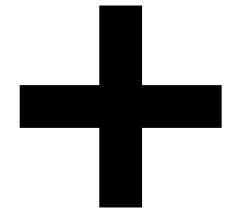


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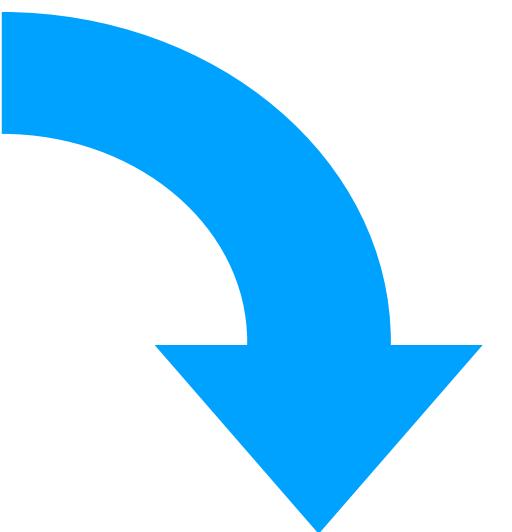
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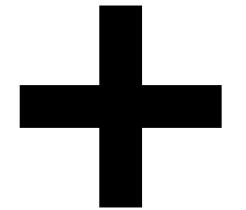


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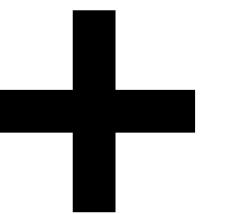
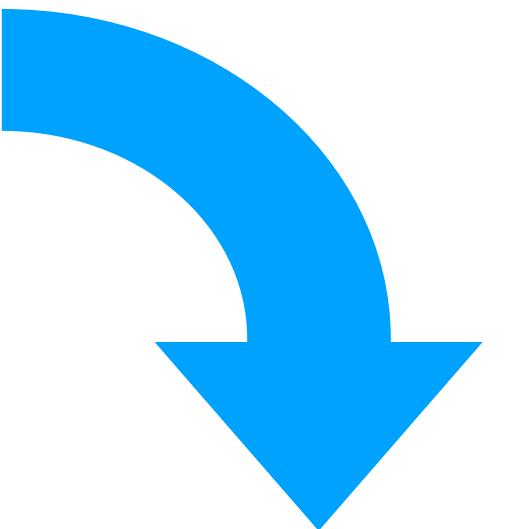


**CLP Lang  
Framework**



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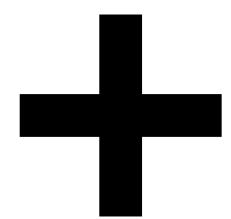


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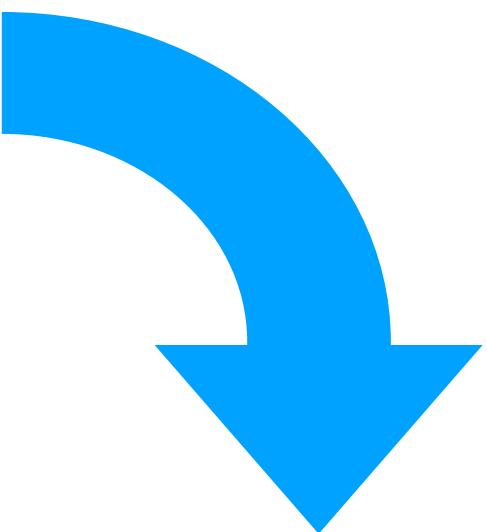
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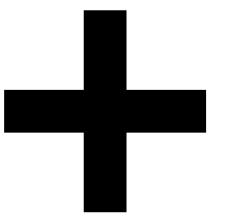
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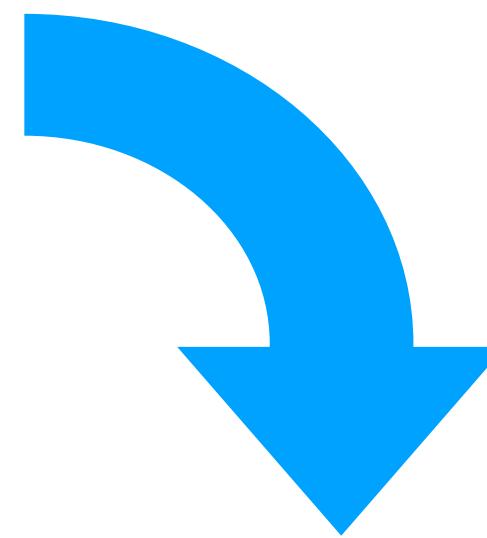
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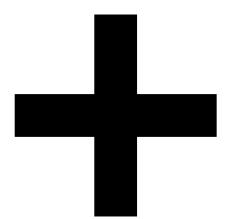
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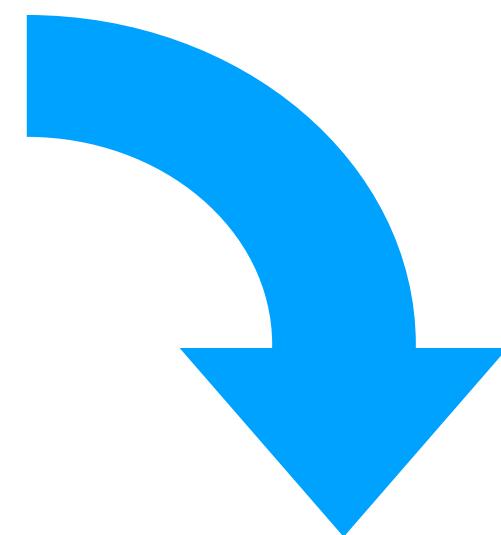
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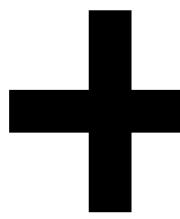
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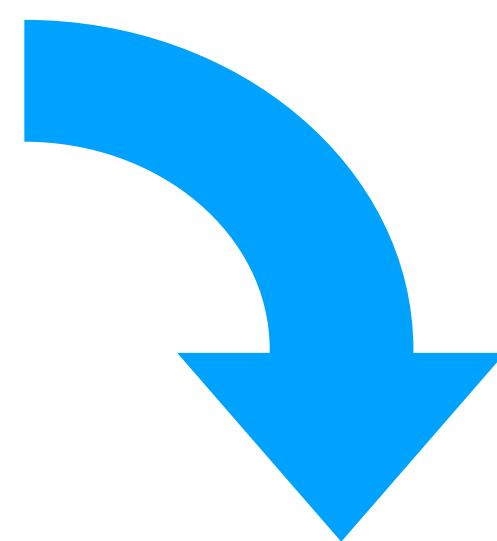
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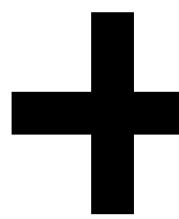
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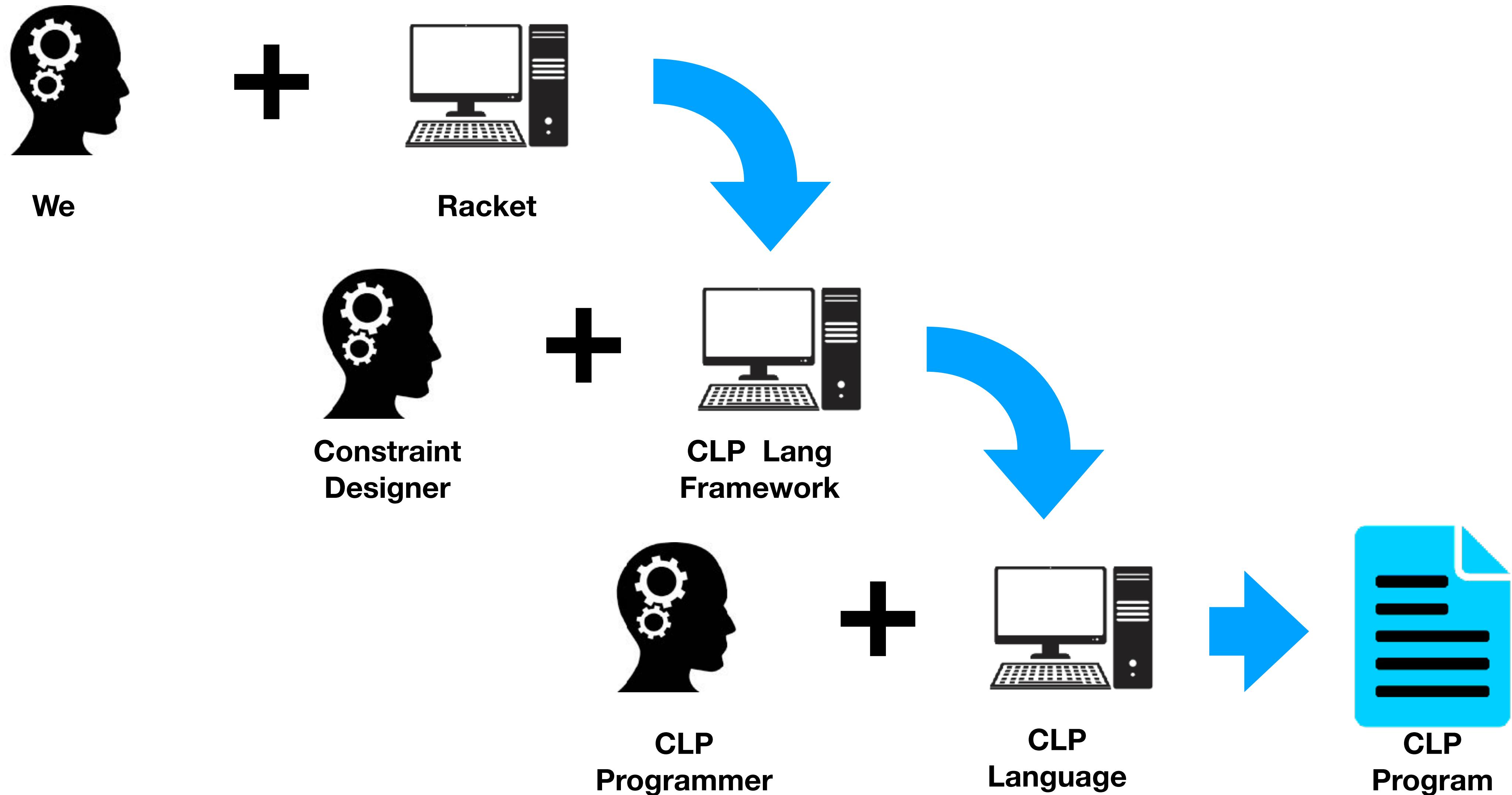
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# Framework Design

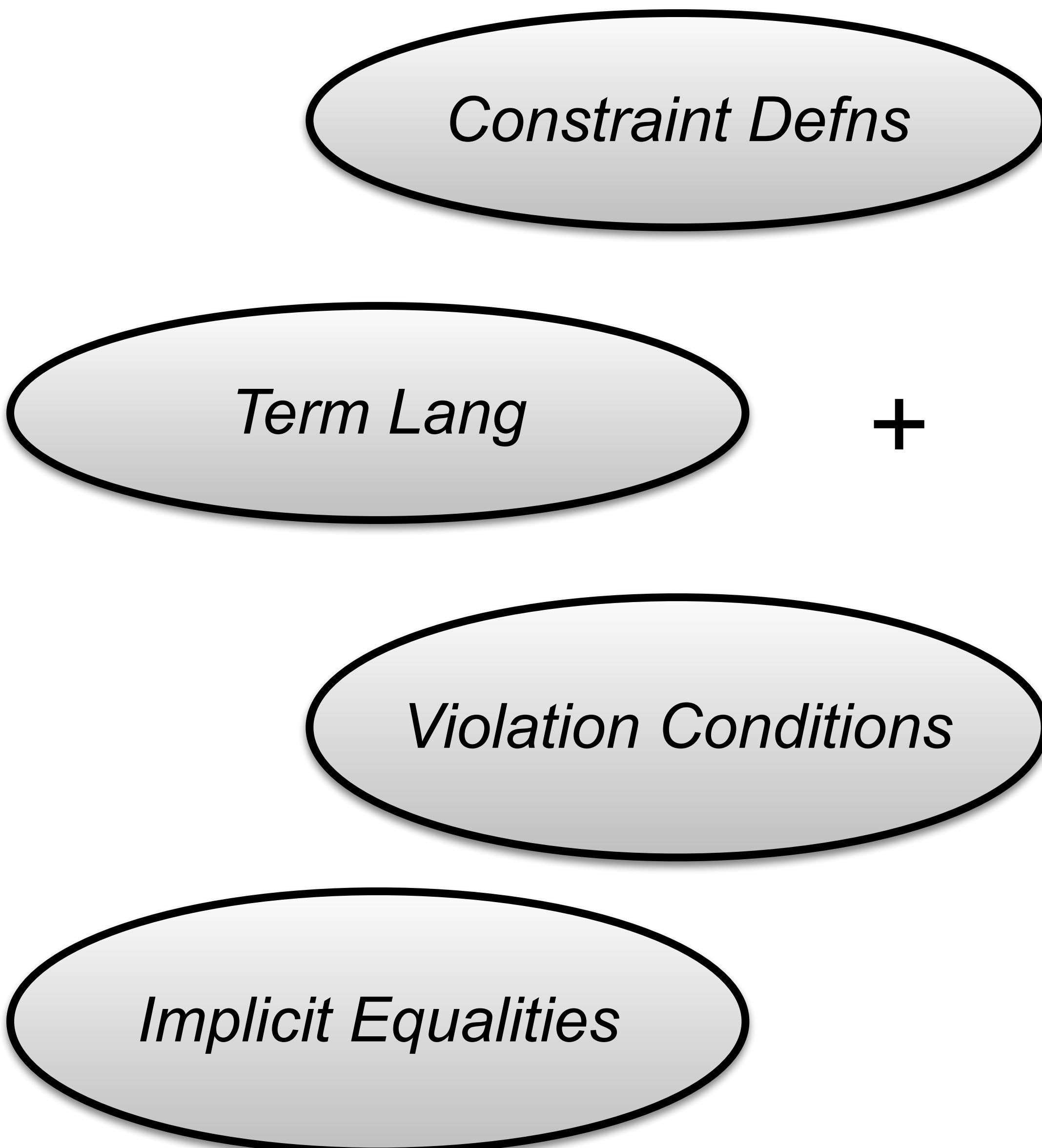
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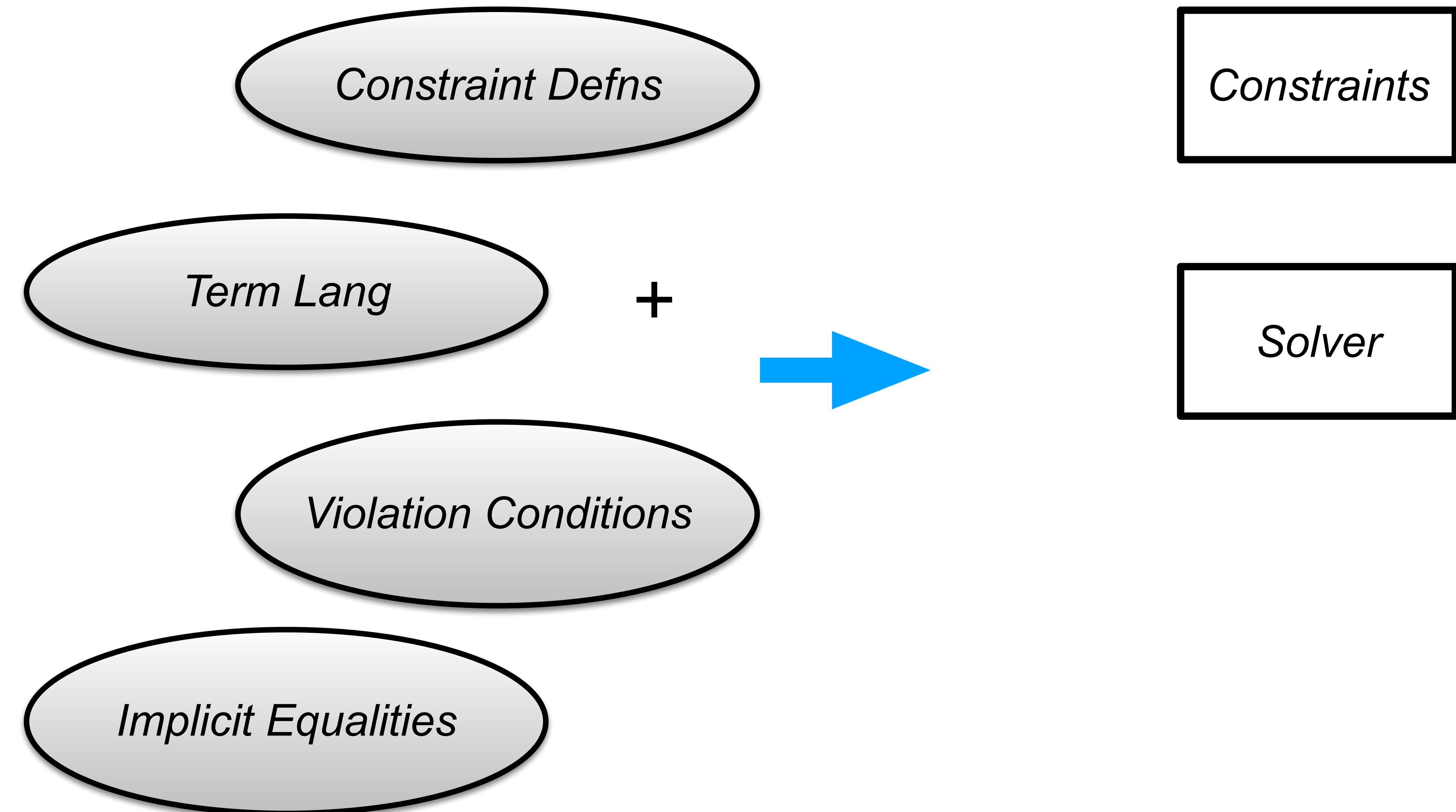
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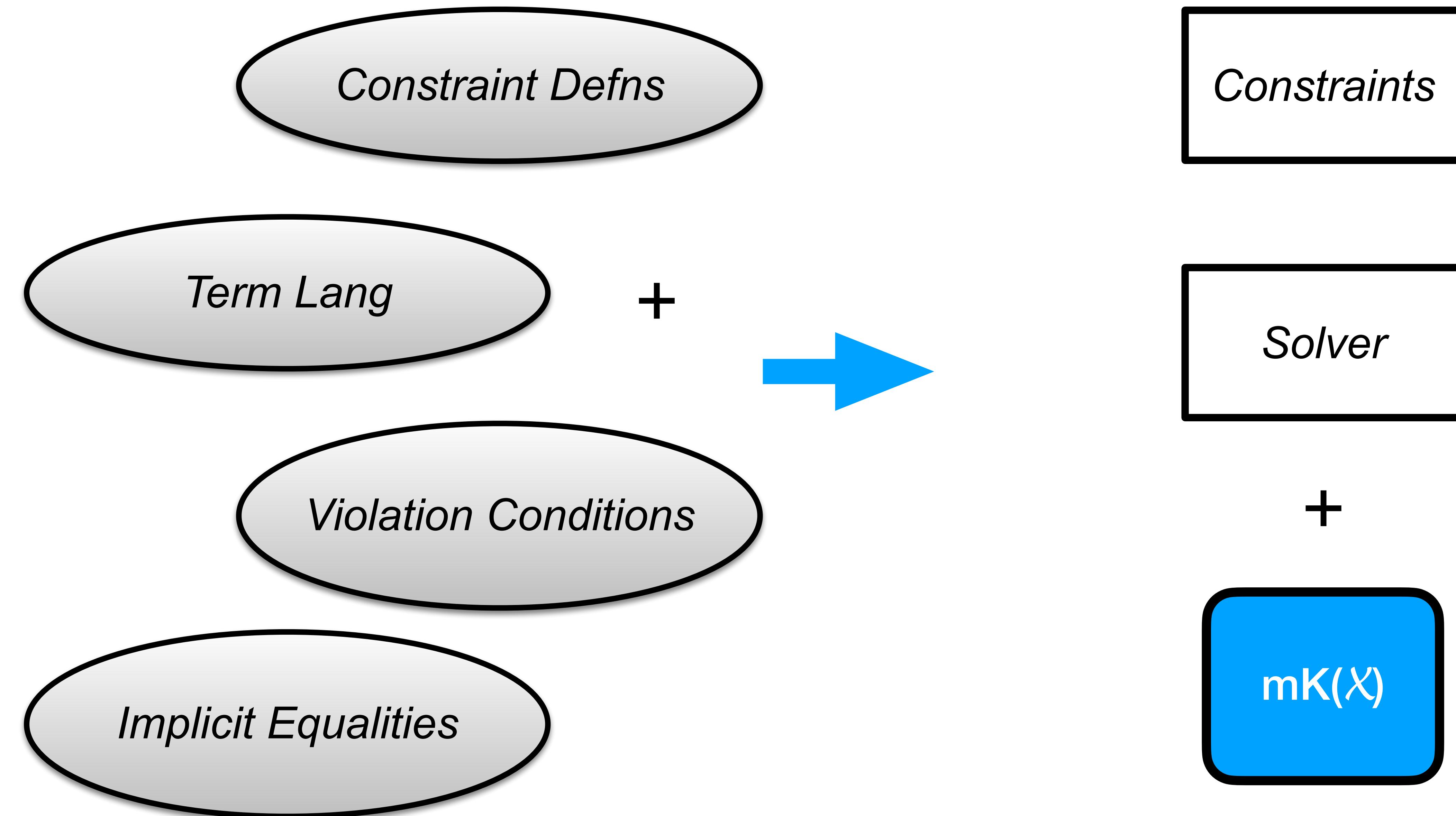
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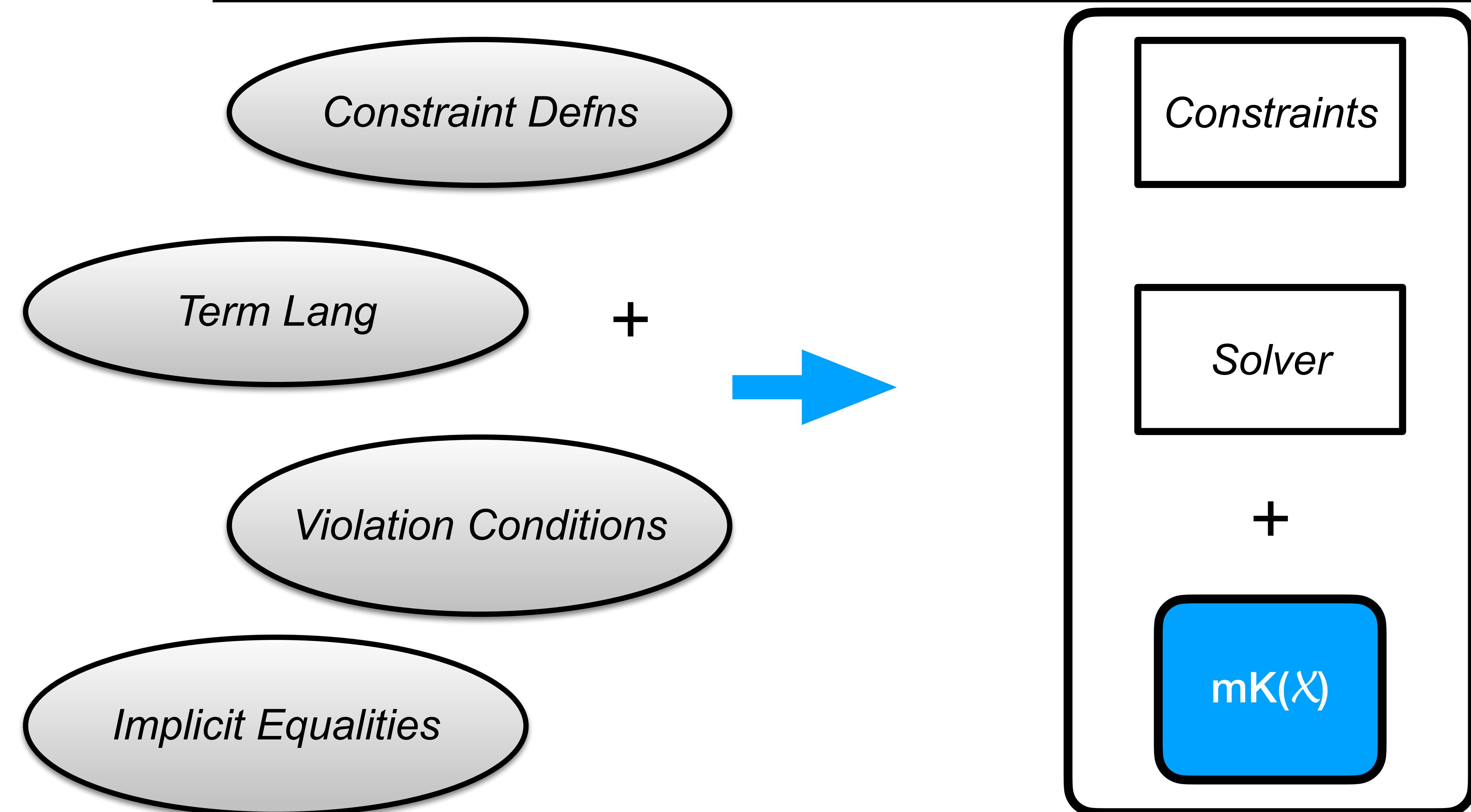
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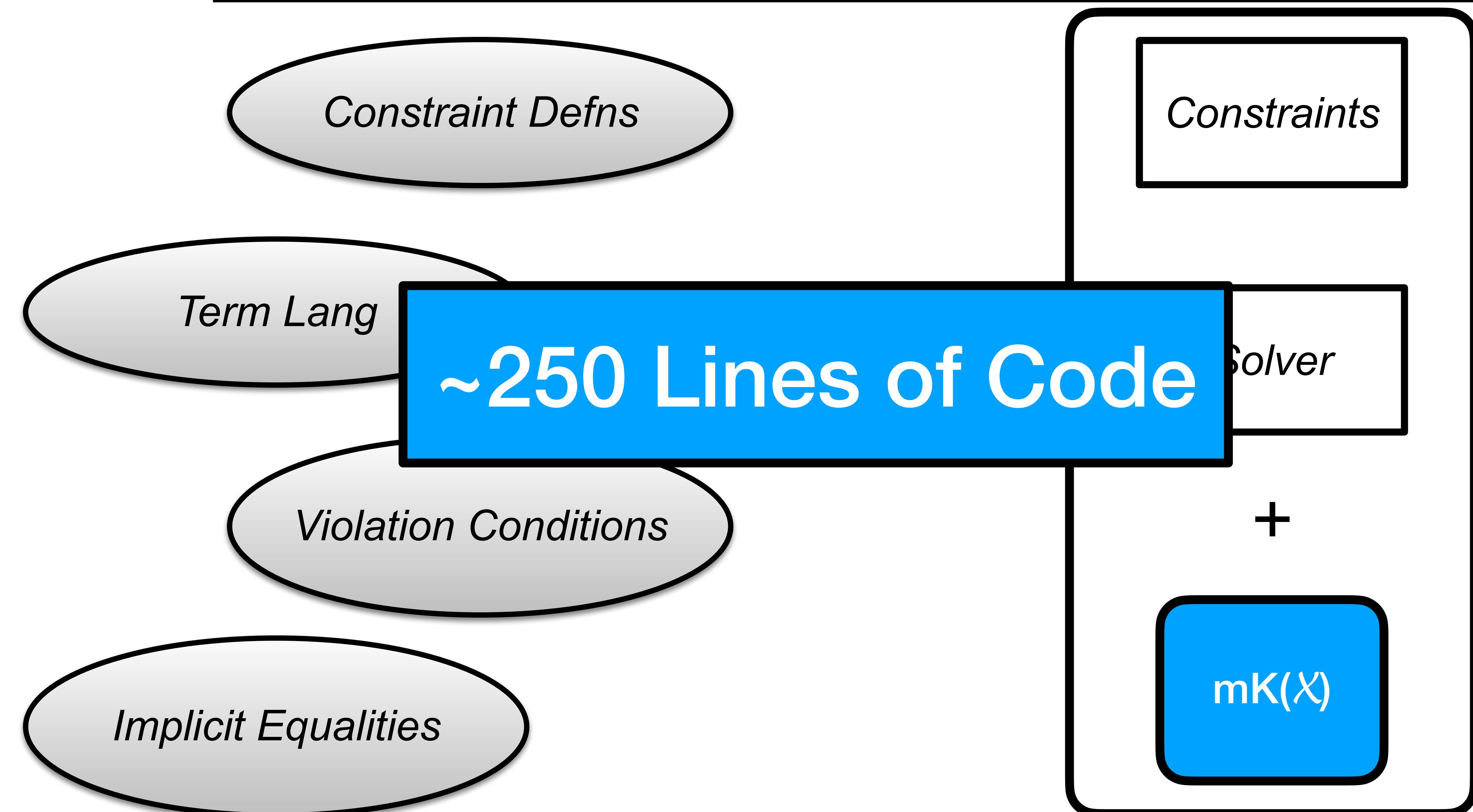
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3. Check  $n$ -wise constraint violation conditions

# 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**



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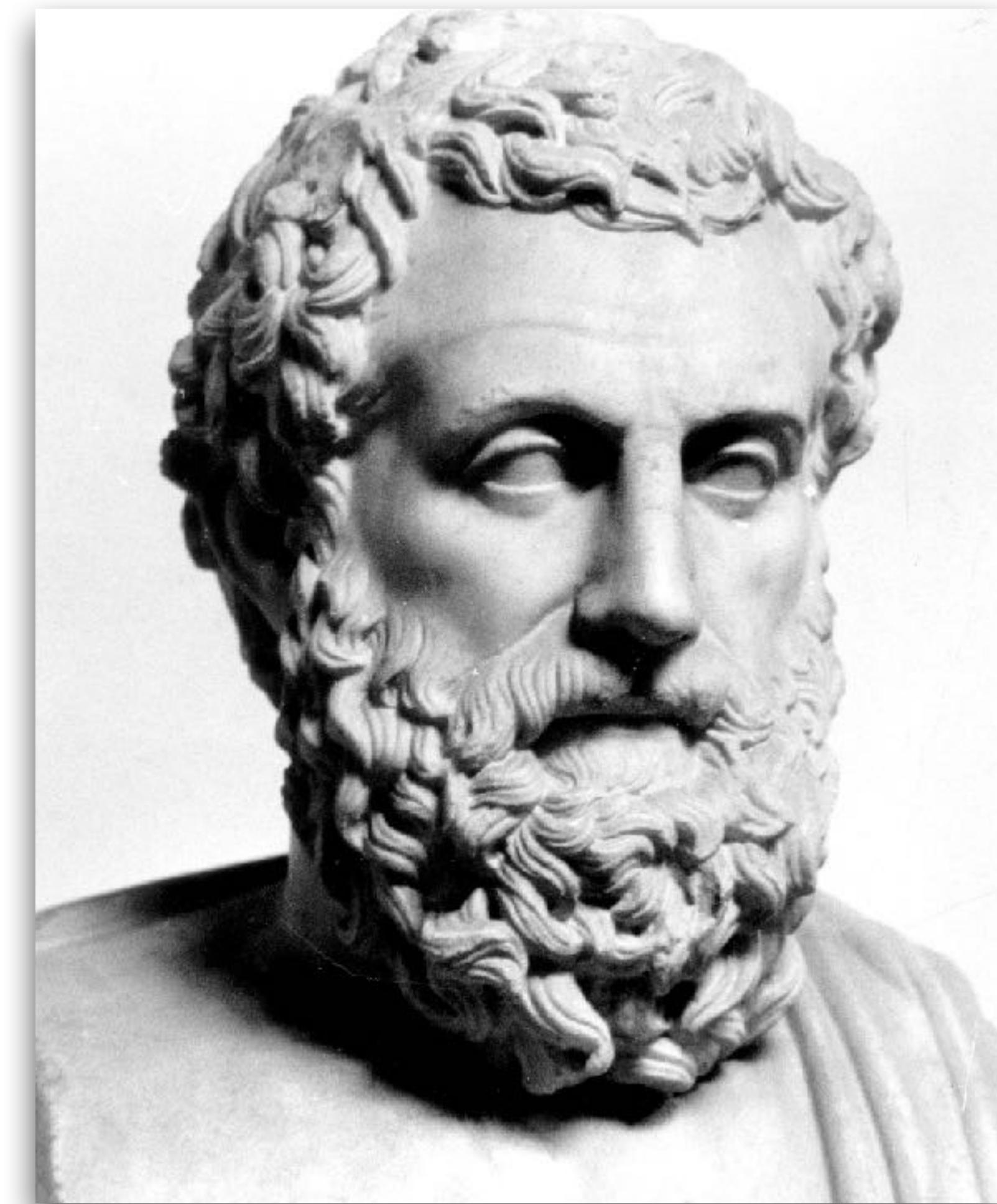
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```
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  (conde
    [(fresh (pn2)
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(define-relation (A φ Γ prf)
  (matche φ
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    [,x (membero x Γ)
        (== prf `,(,x in-Γ))]
    [(∀ ,n ,q)
      (fresh (p prf1 prf2)
        (== `((,prf1 ,prf2) => ,φ) prf)
        (A `((∀ ,n ,p) Γ prf1)
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    [,x (membero x Γ)
      (== prf `,(,x in-Γ))]                               Lookup
    [(_ ,n ,q)
      (fresh (p prf1 prf2)
        (== `((,prf1 ,prf2 => ,φ) prf)
          (A `(_ ,n ,p) Γ prf1)
          (A `(_ ,p ,q) Γ prf2)))]))                         “Barbara” inference
```

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

Still relying on primitives!  
Adding tags!

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7. miniKanren over microKanren

# Thanks!

**macro extension**

**Constraint microKanren**

**Domain**

