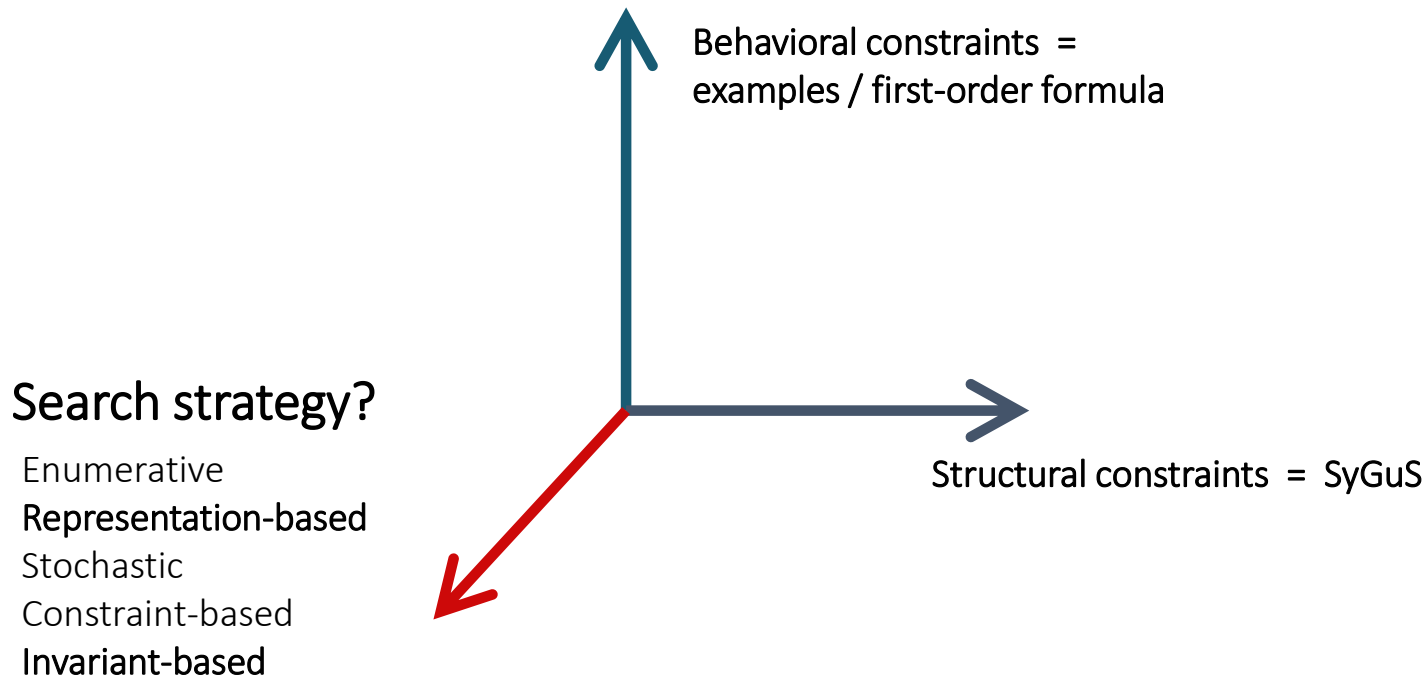


# **Lecture 9**

## **Unrealizability**

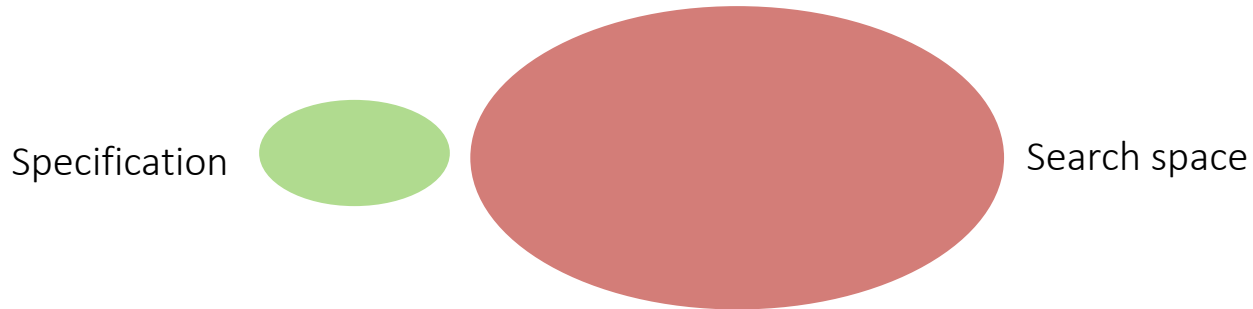
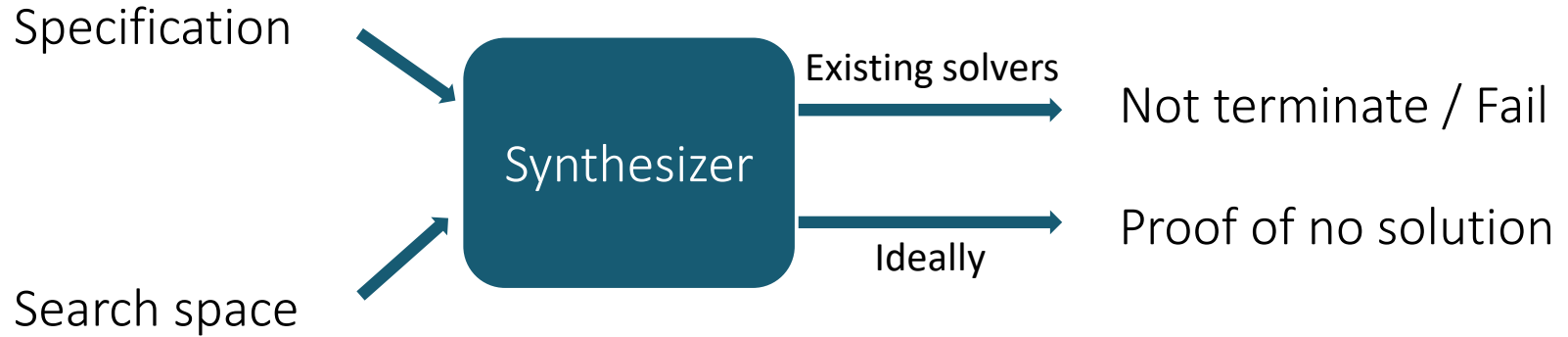
# The problem statement

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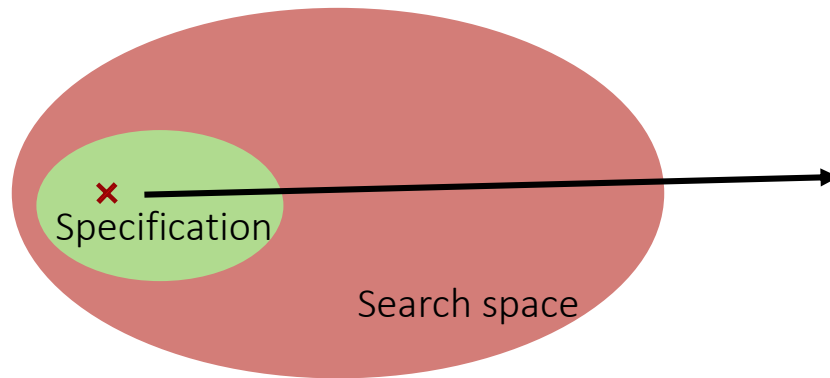
# Unrealizable Synthesis Problems

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# Why Prove Unrealizability?

# From Proving Optimality to Proving Unrealizability [pldi17, cav18]

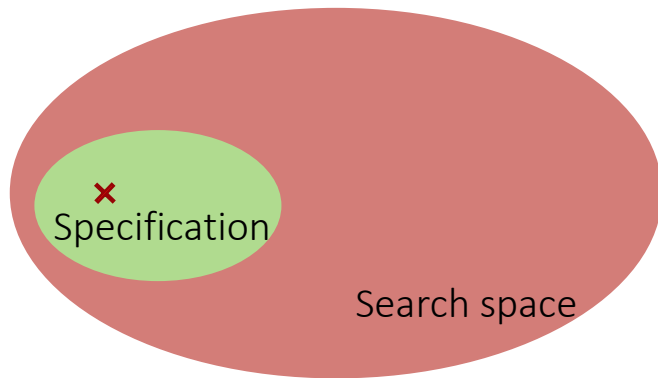


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exec bash
(define-fun w0 (|x (BitVec 8)|) (|y (BitVec 8)|)
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  nd (not (= y (bvadd #x40 #x01))) (and (not (=
  )) (bvadd #x60 #x03) (ite (and (= (bvadd #x50
  0a) x) (= y (bvadd #x70 #x07))) (bvadd #x20
  add #x40 #x07) (ite (and (= (bvadd #x50 #x08)
  (= y (bvadd #x70 #x07))) (bvadd #x10 #x0f)
  (and (= (bvadd #x50 #x04) x) (= y (bvadd #x
  (bvadd #x70 #x07))) (bvadd #x10 #x03) (ite
  3) (ite (and (= (bvadd #x40 #x06) x) (= y (b
  ) (= y (bvadd #x70 #x07))) #x03 (ite (and (=
  e (and (= (bvadd #x40 #x09) x) (= y (bvadd #
  (bvadd #x60 #x07))) (bvadd #x10 #x02) (ite
  0e) (ite (and (= (bvadd #x40 #x04) x) (= y (b
  d #x60 #x07))) (bvadd #x10 #x0e) (ite (and (=
  vadd #x50 #x02) x) (= y (bvadd #x60 #x07)))
  #x07))) (bvadd #x00 #x0a) (ite (and (= (bvad
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  dd #x50 #x01))) (bvadd #x10 #x05) (ite (and
  bvadd #x30 #x08) x) (= y (bvadd #x50 #x01)))
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  f) x) (= y (bvadd #x50 #x01))) (bvadd #x30 #
  (ite (and (= (bvadd #x50 #x02) x) (= y (bvad
  (= y (bvadd #x40 #x01))) (bvadd #x20 #x04)
  (and (= (bvadd #x40 #x06) x) (= y (bvadd #x4
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# From Proving Optimality to Proving Unrealizability

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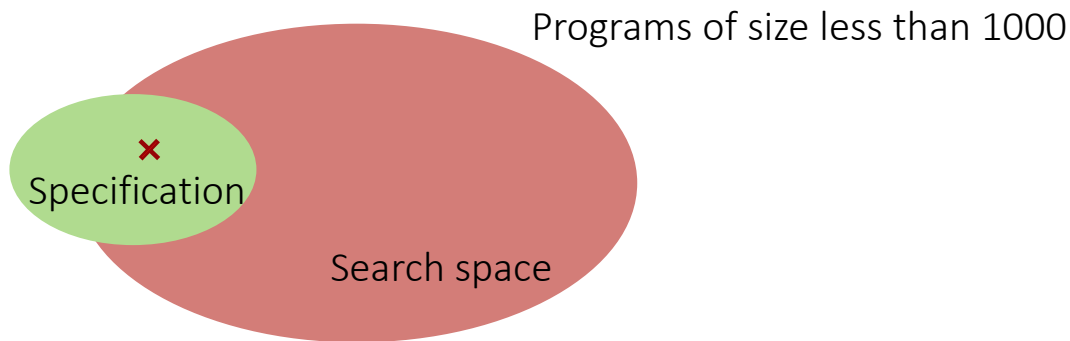
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# From Proving Optimality to Proving Unrealizability

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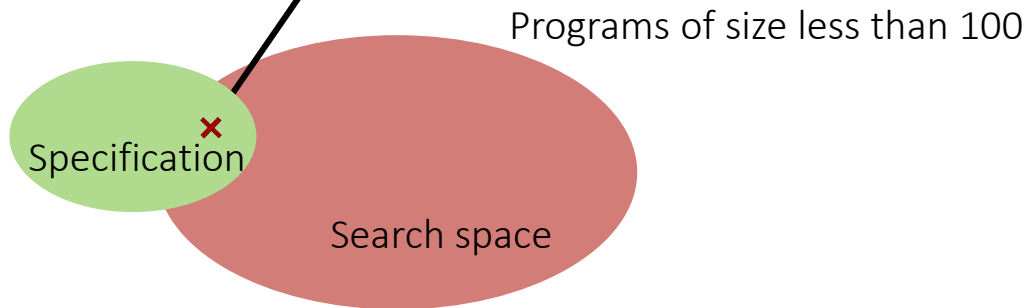
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# From Proving Optimality to Proving Unrealizability [pldi17, cav18]

Size = 9

```
(define-fun ((x (BitVec 8)) (y (BitVec 8))) (bvand (bvlshl (DD x) #x02) (bvlshr (DD y) #x06)))
```



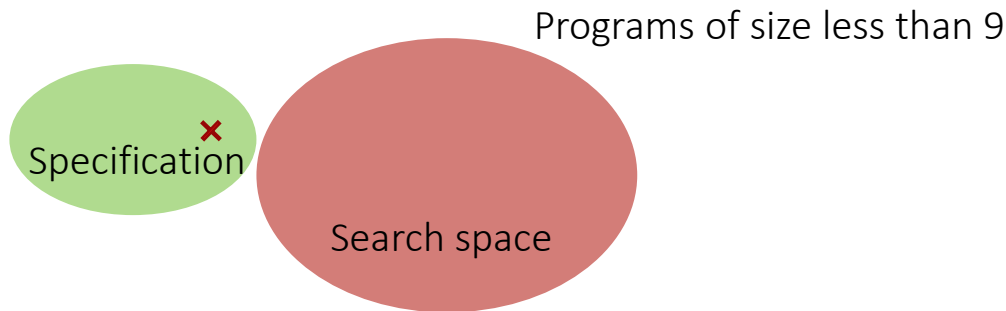


# From Proving Optimality to Proving Unrealizability

[pldi17, cav18]

Size = 9

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```



✗ is optimal **iff** this synthesis problem is **unrealizable**

# Why is this hard?

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Specification

$$\Phi(P) : \forall x, y. P \geq x \wedge P \geq y \\ \wedge (P = x \vee P = y)$$

Search space

Start := Start+Start

| x | y | 0 | 1

SyGuS  
solver

Unrealizable

Proof that

$$\neg \exists Q \text{ s.t. } \Phi(Q) \\ \wedge Q \in L(G)$$

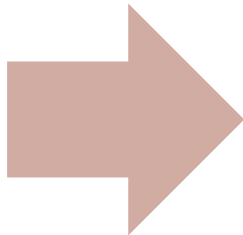
Infinite grammar makes  
the problem undecidable

# Soundness of CEGIS for unrealizability

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$Sy \upharpoonright E$  unrealizable

No solution over  $E$



$Sy$  unrealizable

No solution

# Proving unrealizability for SyGuS over examples

# Outline of the algorithm

$Sy \uparrow E := (\Phi, G, E)$

construct

```
int[4] Start(x_0,y_0,x_1,y_1,x_2,y_2,x_3,y_3){
  if(??){return (0,0,0,0);}           // Start -> 0
  if(??){return (1,1,1,1);}           // Start -> 1
  if(??){return (x_0,x_1,x_2,x_3);}    // Start -> x
  if(??){return (y_0,y_1,y_2,y_3);}    // Start -> y
  else{                                // Start -> Start + Start
    int[4] L = Start(x_0,y_0,x_1,y_1);
    int[4] R = Start(x_0,y_0,x_1,y_1);
    return (L[0]+R[0],L[1]+R[1],L[2]+R[2],L[3]+R[3]);}
}
int[4] P = Start(0,0,0,1,1,0,2,0);
assert (P[0]!=0 || P[1]!=1 || P[2]!=1 || P[3]!=2);
```

$Sy \uparrow E$  unrealizable

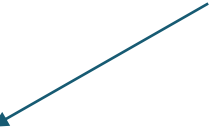
**assert** always holds

# Reachability Problem

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Nondeterministic  
choice

```
void main(){  
    int x = 0;  
    while(nd()){  
        x++;  
    }  
    assert(x<0)  
}
```



Reachability solvers:

CPA-checker

Uautomizer

Seahorn

Goal: can the **assert** be falsified?

# $Sy^E$ to $Re^E$

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Set input to  $E$

$$\vec{x} \leftarrow E$$




$f_G$  is non-deterministically drawn from  $L(G)$

$$\vec{o} \leftarrow f_G(\vec{x})$$

Check if  $\vec{o}$  doesn't satisfy  $\varphi$   $\longleftrightarrow$   $f_G(\vec{x})$  satisfy  $\varphi$  on  $E$

**assert**(  $\neg\varphi(o, x)$  ,  $x_i$ ))

$Sy \uparrow E$   unrealizable

Set input to  $E$

$$\vec{x} \leftarrow E$$

Examples  $E$ :

$(x_0, y_0) = (0, 0)$

$(x_1, y_1) = (0, 1)$

$x_0 = 0;$

$y_0 = 0;$

$x_1 = 0;$

$y_1 = 1;$



$Sy^E$  to  $Re^E$

Set input to  $E$

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**assert**(  $\neg \varphi(o, \vec{x})$  ,  $x_i$ ))



Check if  $\vec{o}$  doesn't satisfy  $\varphi$

**assert**( $\neg \wedge x_i \in E. \varphi(o_i, x_i)$ )

```
void main(){  
    ...  
    assert(!(spec(x0,y0,o0)&&spec(x1,y1,o1)));  
}  
bool spec(x,y,o){  
    return (o>=x)&&(o>=y)&&(o==x || o==y);  
}
```

$\Phi(f) : \forall x, y. f(x, y) \geq x \wedge f(x, y) \geq y \wedge (f(x, y) = x \vee f(x, y) = y)$

$Sy^E$  to  $Re^E$

Set input to  $E$

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$$\vec{o} \leftarrow f_G(\vec{x})$$

`o0 = fStart(x0,y0);`

```
int fStart(x0,y0){  
    if(nd()){ return 0;}    \\ Start -> 0  
    if(nd()){ return 1;}    \\ Start -> 1  
    if(nd()){ return x0;}    \\ Start -> x  
    if(nd()){ return y0;}    \\ Start -> y  
    if(nd()){                \\ Start -> +(Start,Start)  
        left = fStart(x0,y0);  
        right = fStart(x0,y0);  
        return left + right;}  
}
```

Example 0

$o_0 = \text{fStart}(x_0, y_0);$

$o_0$  is  $f_G(x_0, y_0)$  for **some**  $f_G$  in  $L(G)$

Example 1

$o_1 = \text{fStart}(x_1, y_1);$

$o_1$  is  $f_G(x_1, y_1)$  for **some**  $f_G$  in  $L(G)$



The two  $f_G$  can be different!

$f_G$  is non-deterministically drawn from  $L(G)$

$$\vec{o} \leftarrow f_G(\vec{x})$$

```
(o0,o1) = fStart(x0,y0,x1,y1);
```

```
<int,int> fStart(x0,y0,x1,y1){  
    if(nd()){ return (0,0);}    \\ Start -> 0  
    if(nd()){ return (1,1);}    \\ Start -> 1  
    if(nd()){ return (x0,x1);}  \\ Start -> x  
    if(nd()){ return (y0,y1);}  \\ Start -> y  
    if(nd()){                  \\ Start -> +(Start,Start)  
        (a0,a1) = fStart(x0,y0,x1,y1);  
        (b0,b1) = fStart(x0,y0,x1,y1);  
        return (a0+b0,a1+b1);}  
}
```

# Outline of the algorithm

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  if(??){return (y_0,y_1,y_2,y_3);}    // Start -> y  
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    return (L[0]+R[0],L[1]+R[1],L[2]+R[2],L[3]+R[3]);}  
}  
int[4] P = Start(0,0,0,1,1,0,2,0);  
assert (P[0]!=0 || P[1]!=1 || P[2]!=1 || P[3]!=2);
```

$Sy \uparrow E$  unrealizable

Sy unrealizable

**assert** always holds

# Nay: Illustrative Example

[PLDI20] Exact and Approximate Methods for Proving Unrealizability of Syntax-Guided Synthesis Problems



# Example of an Unrealizable Problem

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$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= 5 \\ x \neq 1 &\rightarrow f(x) = 3x \end{aligned}$$

?  $\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$

Solution  $\in$   $\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \mid 1$

Solution  $\in$   $\text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \mid 0$

?

# Example of an Unrealizable Problem

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$$f(1) = 5$$

$$x \neq 1 \rightarrow f(x) = 3x$$

$$x = 1 \quad \exists \lambda. 2\lambda 1 + 1 = 5$$

$$x = 2 \quad \wedge 2\lambda 2 + 1 = 6$$

$$\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$$

?

$$\text{Solution} \in \text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \mid 1$$

$$2\lambda x + 1 : \quad 1, 2x + 1, 4x + 1, \dots$$

$$\exists \lambda \forall x. 2\lambda x + 1 \text{ satisfies the specification}$$

$$\text{Solution} \in \text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \mid 0$$

?

# Example of an Unrealizable Problem

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$$f(1) = 5$$

$$x \neq 1 \rightarrow f(x) = 3x$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 & f(1) \\
 x = 1 & \exists \lambda. 2\lambda 1 + 1 = \overbrace{5}^{f(1)} \\
 x = 2 & \wedge 2\lambda 2 + 1 = \underbrace{6}_{f(2)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \text{Solution } \in \text{ ? } & \text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2 & & \\
 \text{Solution } \in \text{ ? } & \text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \mid 1 & \mathbf{2\lambda x + 1 :} & 1, 2x + 1, 4x + 1, \dots \quad \exists \lambda \forall x. 2\lambda x + 1 \text{ satisfies the specification} \\
 \text{Solution } \in \text{ ? } & \text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \mid 0 & & 
 \end{array}$$

# Example of an Unrealizable Problem

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$$f(1) = 5$$

$$x \neq 1 \rightarrow f(x) = 3x$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 & f(1) \\
 x = 1 & \exists \lambda. 2\lambda 1 + 1 = 5 \\
 x = 2 & \wedge \underbrace{2\lambda 2 + 1 = 6}_{\text{odd}} \quad \underbrace{\phantom{2\lambda 2 + 1 = 6}}_{f(2)}
 \end{array}$$

Solution   $\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$

$\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \mid 1$

$2\lambda x + 1 :$        $1, 2x + 1, 4x + 1, \dots$

$\exists \lambda \forall x. 2\lambda x + 1$  satisfies the specification

Solution  $\in$   $\text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \mid 0$

?

# Example of an Unrealizable Problem

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$$f(1) = 5$$


$$x \neq 1 \rightarrow f(x) = 3x$$

divisible by 3

$$\exists \lambda. \overbrace{3\lambda}^{\text{divisible by 3}} 1 = 5$$


$$\wedge 3\lambda 2 = 6$$

$$\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$$

Solution   $\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \mid 1$

$$2\lambda x + 1 : 1, 2x + 1, 4x + 1, \dots$$

$\exists \lambda \forall x. 2\lambda x + 1$  satisfies the specification

Solution   $\text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \mid 0$

$$3\lambda x : 0, 3x, 6x, \dots$$

$\exists \lambda \forall x. 3\lambda x$  satisfies the specification


?


# Example of an Unrealizable Problem

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$$f(1) = 5$$
$$x \neq 1 \rightarrow f(x) = 3x$$

Start  $\rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$

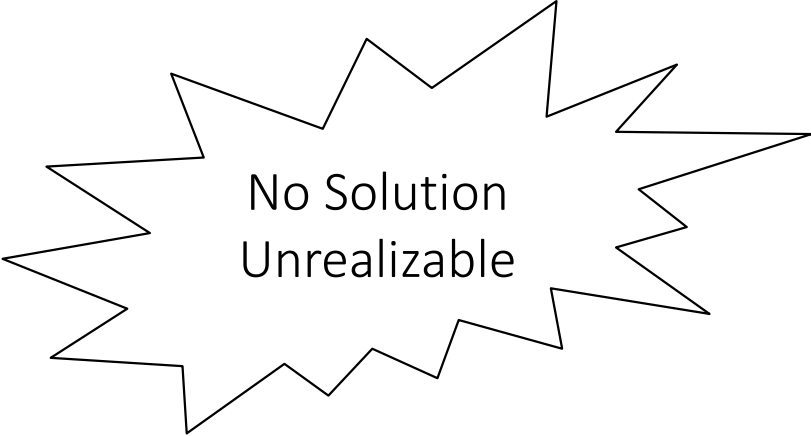
Solution   $\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \mid 1$

Solution   $\text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \mid 0$

$2\lambda x + 1$  or  $3\lambda x$

$2\lambda x + 1$

$3\lambda x$



No Solution  
Unrealizable

# SyGuS with Examples

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SyGuS problem

$sy$

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= 5 \\ x \neq 1 &\rightarrow f(x) = 3x \end{aligned}$$

$\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$

$\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \mid 1$

$\text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \mid 0$

SyGuS with examples problem

$sy^E$  where  $E := \{1, 2\}$

$x = 1$

$x = 2$

$$f(1) = 5$$

$$f(2) = 6$$

$\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$

$\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \mid 1$

$\text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \mid 0$

# Algorithm for Proving Unrealizability



# High-level Idea

$E:$

$$f(1) = 5$$
$$f(2) = 6$$

Grammar

$$\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$$

$$\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1$$

| 1

$$\text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2$$

| 0



Equations

$$V_{\text{Start}} = \dots$$

$$V_{\text{Expr}_1} = \dots$$

$$V_{\text{Expr}_2} = \dots$$



Solution

$$2\lambda x + 1 \text{ or } 3\lambda x$$

$$2\lambda x + 1$$

$$3\lambda x$$

# High-level Idea

$E$ :

$$f(1) = 5$$

$$f(2) = 6$$

$$\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1$$

| 1



Substitute  $x$  with input examples

$$\text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow (1, 2) + (1, 2) + \text{Expr}_1$$

| (1, 1)



Construct equation

$$V_{\text{Expr}_1} = \{(1, 2)\} + \{(1, 2)\} + V_{\text{Expr}_1}$$

$\cup \{(1, 1)\}$



Evaluate algebraic operators

$$V_{\text{Expr}_1} = \{(2, 4)\} + V_{\text{Expr}_1}$$

$\cup \{(1, 1)\}$

$$2\lambda x + 1$$

# High-level Idea

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$E$ :

$$f(\textcolor{red}{1}) = \textcolor{red}{5}$$

$$f(\textcolor{blue}{2}) = \textcolor{blue}{6}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \\ | \textcolor{blue}{1} \end{array}$$

$$2\lambda x + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{Expr}_1} &= \{(\textcolor{red}{2}, \textcolor{blue}{4})\} + V_{\text{Expr}_1} \\ &\cup \{(\textcolor{red}{1}, \textcolor{blue}{1})\} \end{aligned}$$

# High-level Idea

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$E$ :

$$f(1) = 5$$

$$f(2) = 6$$

$$\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \\ \mid 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \\ \mid 0 \end{array}$$

$$V_{\text{Start}} = V_{\text{Expr}_1} \cup V_{\text{Expr}_2}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} V_{\text{Expr}_1} = \{(2, 4)\} + V_{\text{Expr}_1} \\ \cup \{(1, 1)\} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} V_{\text{Expr}_2} = \{(3, 6)\} + V_{\text{Expr}_2} \\ \cup \{(0, 0)\} \end{array}$$

$$2\lambda x + 1 \text{ or } 3\lambda x$$

$$2\lambda x + 1$$

$$3\lambda x$$

# High-level Idea

$E:$

$$f(1) = 5$$

$$f(2) = 6$$

Grammar

$$\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$$

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Equation

$$V_{\text{Start}} = V_{\text{Expr}_1} \cup V_{\text{Expr}_2}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} V_{\text{Expr}_1} = \{(2, 4)\} + V_{\text{Expr}_1} \\ \cup \{(1, 1)\} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} V_{\text{Expr}_2} = \{(3, 6)\} + V_{\text{Expr}_2} \\ \cup \{(0, 0)\} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} V_{\text{Start}} = \{(1, 1) + \lambda(2, 4)\} \\ \cup \{(0, 0) + \lambda(3, 6)\} \end{array}$$

$$V_{\text{Expr}_1} = \{(1, 1) + \lambda(2, 4)\}$$

$$V_{\text{Expr}_2} = \{(0, 0) + \lambda(3, 6)\}$$

Solution

$$2\lambda x + 1 \text{ or } 3\lambda x$$

$$2\lambda x + 1$$

$$3\lambda x$$

# High-level Idea

$E$ :

$$f(1) = 5$$

$$f(2) = 6$$

Grammar

$$\text{Start} \rightarrow \text{Expr}_1 \mid \text{Expr}_2$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Expr}_1 \rightarrow x + x + \text{Expr}_1 \\ \mid 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Expr}_2 \rightarrow x + x + x + \text{Expr}_2 \\ \mid 0 \end{array}$$



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$$2\lambda x + 1 \text{ or } 3\lambda x$$

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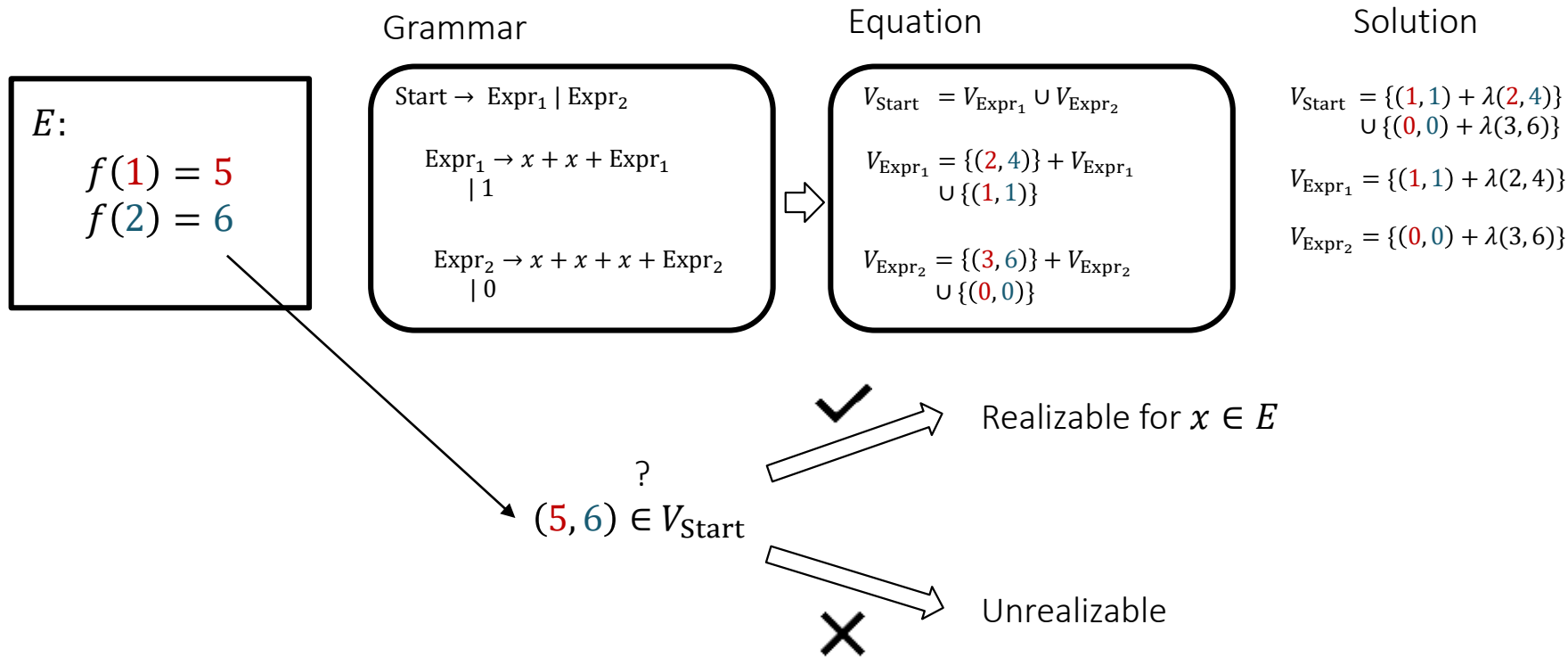
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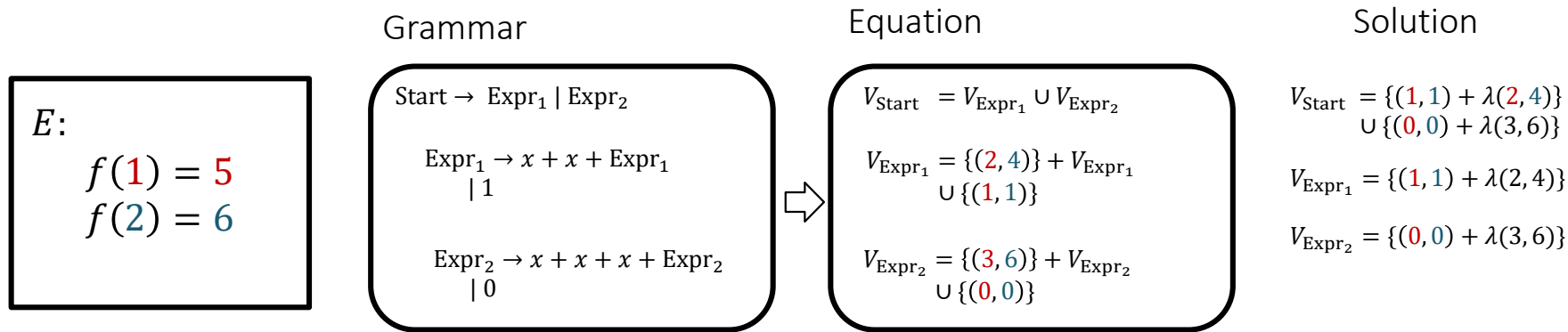
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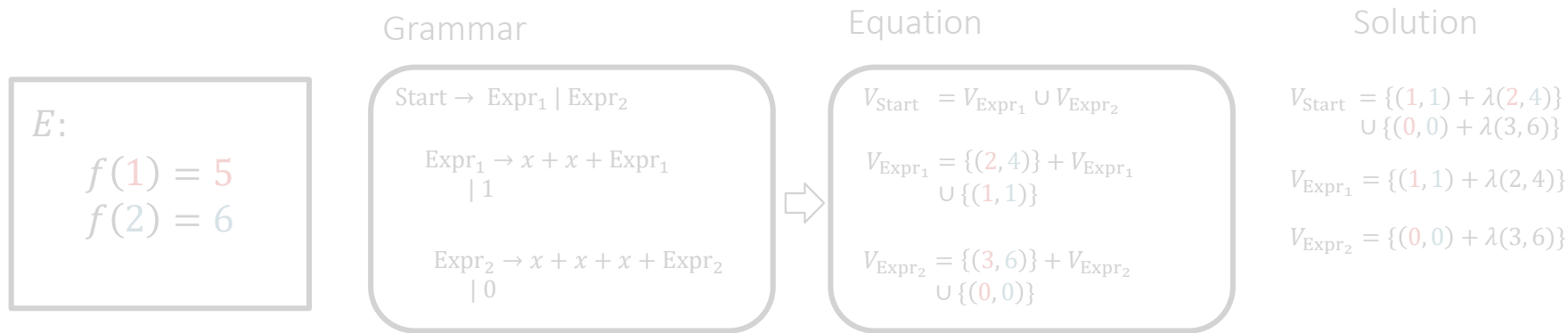
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How do I solve this?

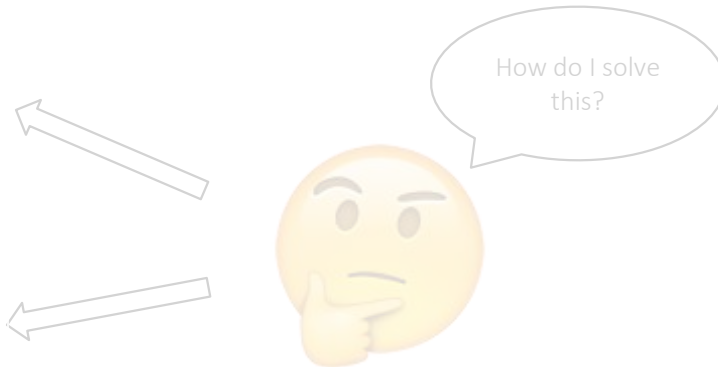


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# Solving Equations with Horn Clauses

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- Complete, but undecidable
- Solvable by off-the-shelf Constrained Horn Clauses (CHC) solver

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$$f(0) = 0$$

$$f(1) = 5$$

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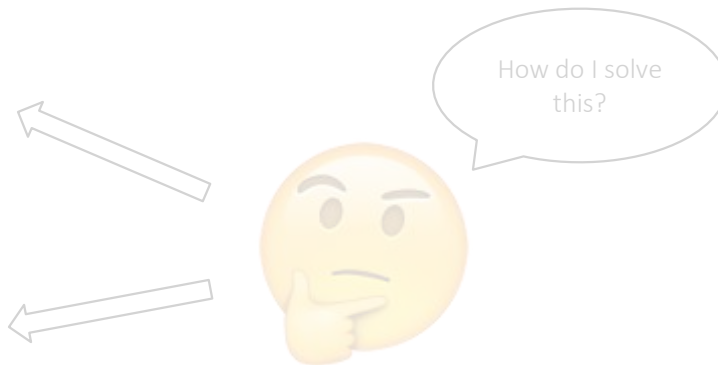
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# Solving Equations with Semi-linear Sets

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Operators: +

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Value of  $V$  can be modeled as semi-linear sets

# Semi-linear Sets

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$$V_{\text{Start}} = \{(\textcolor{red}{1}, \textcolor{blue}{1}) + \lambda(\textcolor{red}{2}, \textcolor{blue}{4})\} \\ \cup \{(\textcolor{red}{0}, \textcolor{blue}{0}) + \lambda(3, 6)\}$$

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Semi-linear set

$$\{(\textcolor{red}{1}, \textcolor{blue}{1}), (\textcolor{red}{3}, \textcolor{blue}{5}), (\textcolor{red}{5}, \textcolor{blue}{9}), \dots\} \cup \{(\textcolor{red}{0}, \textcolor{blue}{0}), (\textcolor{red}{3}, \textcolor{blue}{6}), (\textcolor{red}{6}, \textcolor{blue}{12}), \dots\}$$

Linear set

$$(\textcolor{red}{1}, \textcolor{blue}{1}), (\textcolor{red}{3}, \textcolor{blue}{5}), (\textcolor{red}{5}, \textcolor{blue}{9}), \dots\}$$

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Fact: These equations can be solved iteratively in no more than  $n$  rounds with  $n$  number of equations [Esparza et al. 2010]

# Conditional Linear Integer Arithmetic (CLIA)

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Domain:

Operators:



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Domain: integers, Boolean

Operators:  $+$ ,  $\wedge$ ,  $\vee$ ,  $\neg$ , if then else,  $<$ ,  $==$

# Semantics of If-Then-Else using semi-linear sets

*E*:

$$f(1) = 5$$

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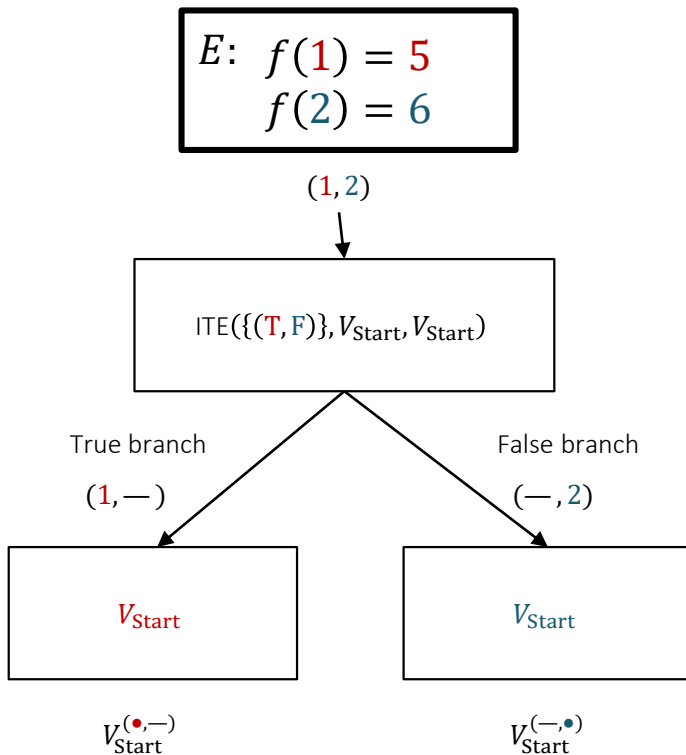


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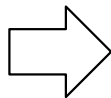
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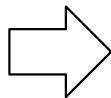


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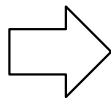


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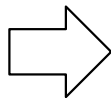
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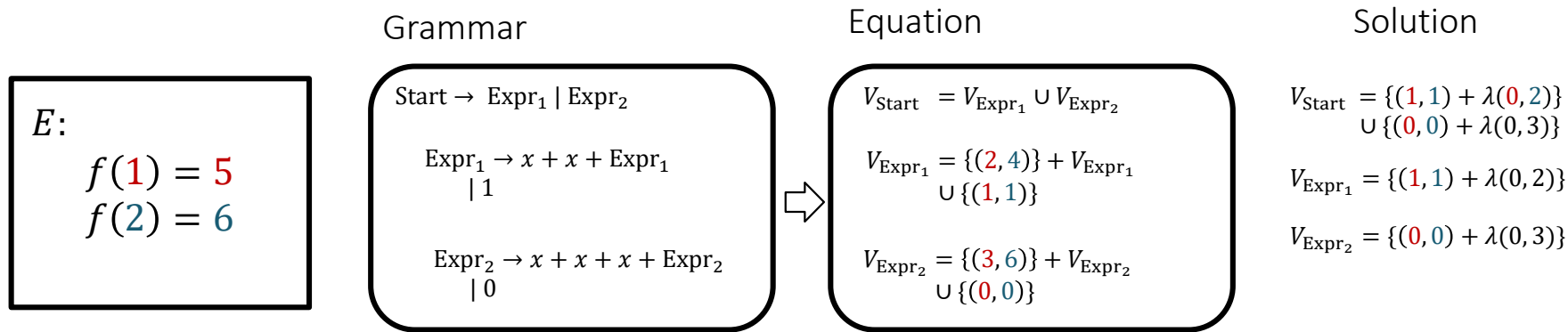


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# Decidable Fragments of SyGuS with Examples



## Theorem

Given a CLIA SyGuS problem  $\text{sy}$  and a finite set of examples  $E$ , it is decidable whether the SyGuS problem  $\text{sy}^E$  is (un)realizable

# Nope: contributions

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First to be able to prove unrealizability for infinite program spaces

CEGIS for unrealizability

- Also shows that in practice a few examples are often enough

Reduction of unrealizability to unreachability

- Can use existing tools

Sound for both synthesis and unrealizability

- If Nope terminates and gives an answer, this answer is correct

Can be used to optimize syntactic objectives



# Nope: limitations

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Incomplete

Why might Nope run forever?

Can Nope run forever if the problem is realizable?

In practice only works for < half of the benchmarks

Scales poorly with the size of grammar, number of examples

Limited to SyGuS

# Nope: questions

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Behavioral constraints? Structural constraints? Search strategy?

- First-order specs (like in SyGuS)
- Regular tree grammars (like in SyGuS)
- Enumerative for synthesis + reduction to reachability for unrealizability

# Nope: questions

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Example of an unrealizable program over bitvectors

$f(x)=1$

$G := (\text{Start} := 0)$

Sure, but this search space is finite 😞

$f(x,y)=\text{Or}(x,y)$

$G := (\text{Start} := x \mid y \mid \text{Not}(\text{Start}) \mid \text{And}(\text{Start}, \text{Start}) )$  This is realizable!

$f(1010)=0001$

$G := (\text{Start} := x \mid \text{Not}(\text{Start}))$  Correct!

# Nope: questions

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Why does Nope use examples in its encoding instead of directly encoding the full specification (i.e., proving unrealizability for all inputs at once)? What would one need to change?

- We can't have quantifiers in the verification problem!

# Nope: questions

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Can the same encoding be used to synthesize programs instead of proving unrealizability?

- Yes, in fact a “failing test” is effectively a program encoding
- Similar idea to constraint-based search!

# Next

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