Lecture 17
Data Extraction and Wrangling

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Logistics

Project presentations

- Monday Dec 10, 3-6pm; **in this room**
- 20 min per team (15 min presentation + questions)
- Structure: motivation, **demo**, technique, evaluation

Project reports

- Due on Dec 14 (start working on them now!)
- Format: see course organization page (3-5 pages, SIGPLAN format)

Applications of synthesis

Superoptimization

Custom data structures

Data extraction and data wrangling

Cryptographic implementations

SQL queries

FlashExtract

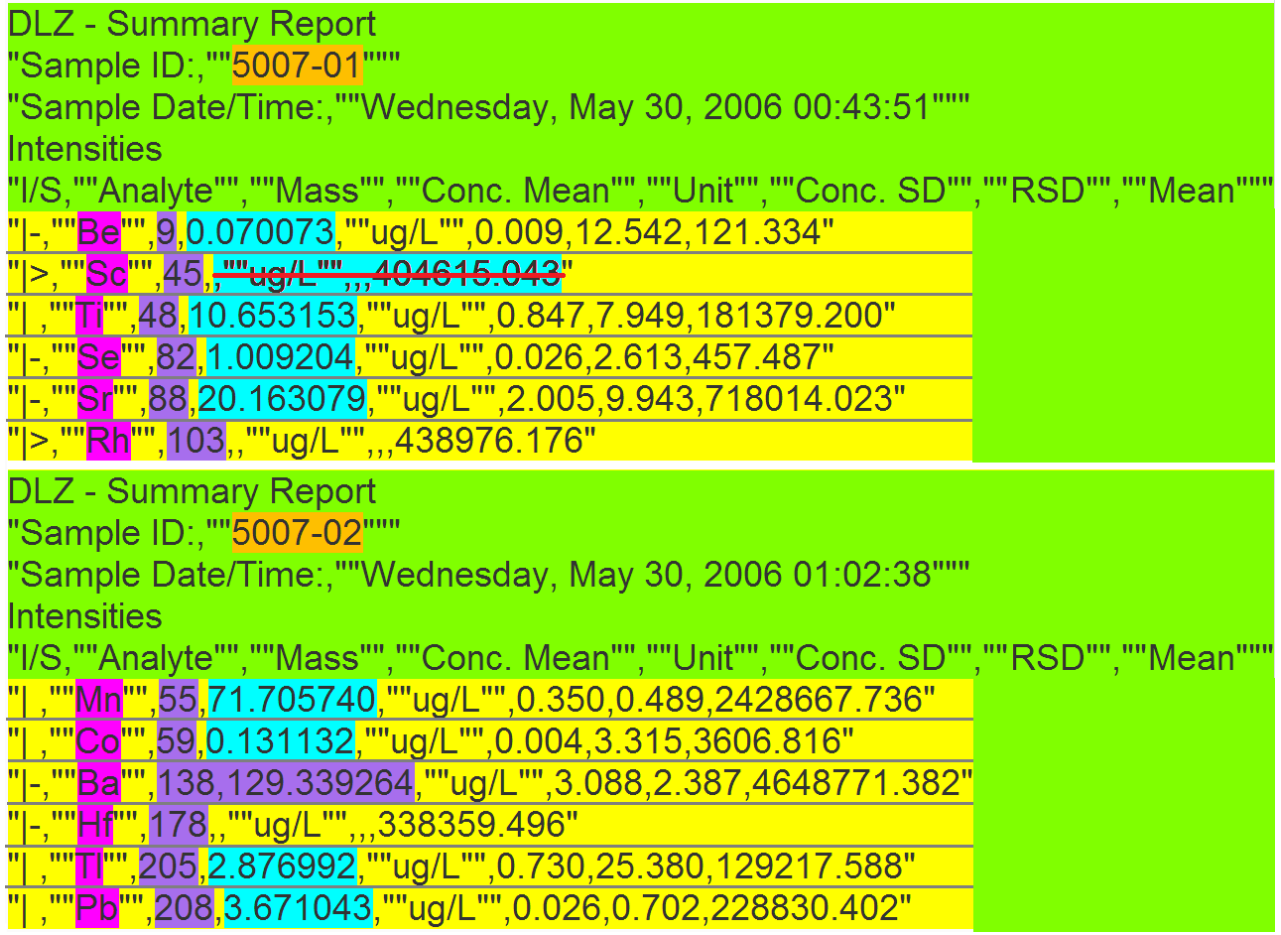
[Le, Gulwani. PLDI'14]

Problem: extract data from semi-structured sources (e.g. log file) into a list of records

User input:

- output schema
- highlights examples of fields

Search strategy: VSA



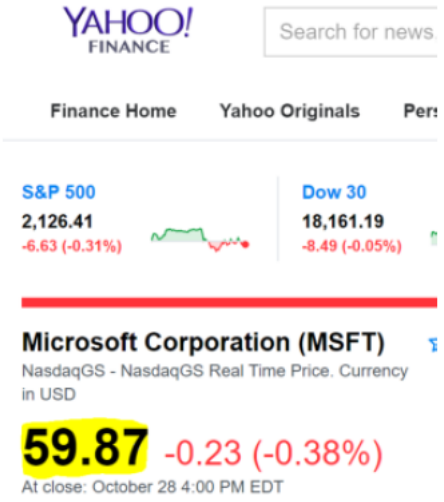
WebRelate

[Inala, Singh. POPL'17]

Problem: extract data from web pages into spreadsheets

User input: navigate to a webpage and select content

	Company	URL	Stock price
1	MSFT	https://finance.yahoo.com/q?s=msft	59.87
2	AMZN	**https://finance.yahoo.com/q?s=amzn**	**775.88**
3	AAPL	**https://finance.yahoo.com/q?s=aapl**	**113.69**
4	TWTR	**https://finance.yahoo.com/q?s=twtr**	**17.66**
5	T	**https://finance.yahoo.com/q?s=t**	**36.51**
6	S	**https://finance.yahoo.com/q?s=s**	**6.31**

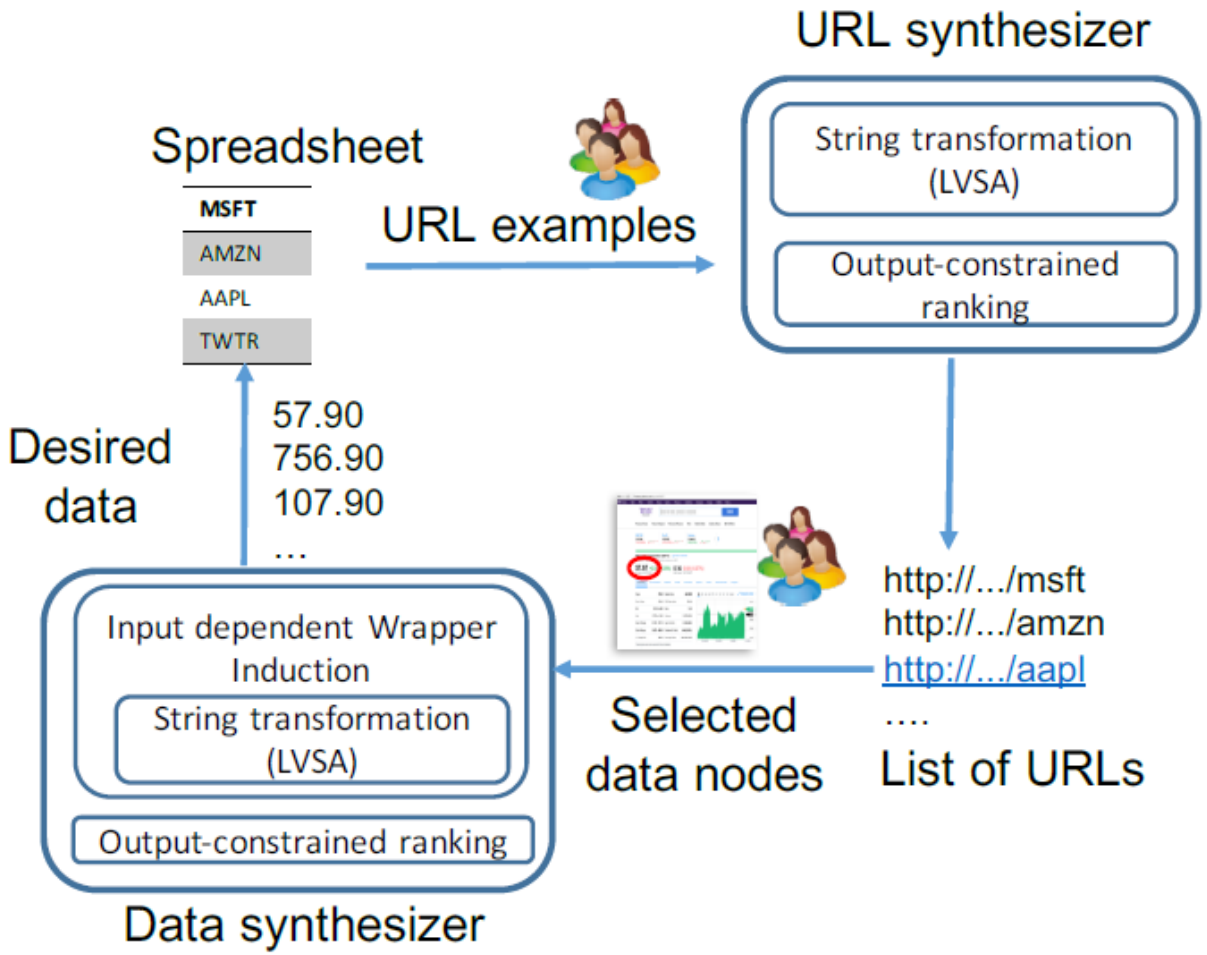


WebRelate

Search strategy: VSA

Optimizations:

- Layered VSA (URLs are too long for FlashFill-style VSAs)
- Output-constrained synthesis: we know the space of possible outputs



Morpheus

[Feng et al. PLDI'17]

Problem: table data wrangling

User input: input-output examples (small tables)

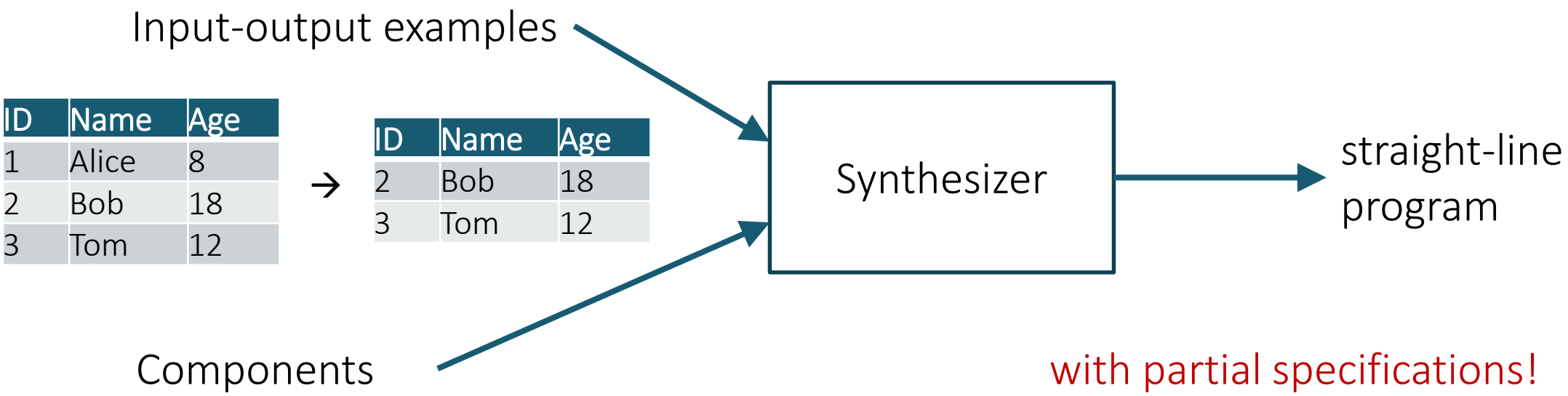
Search strategy: enumerative search with deduction

id	year	A	B
1	2007	5	10
2	2009	3	50
1	2007	5	17
2	2009	6	17

id	*A_2007*	*B_2007*	*A_2009*	*B_2009*
1	*5*	*10*	*5*	*17*
2	*3*	*50*	*6*	*17*

Morpheus: TDP with deduction

[Feng et al'17]



with partial specifications!

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select : Table → [Col] → Table
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out.rows = in.rows
&& out.cols < in.cols
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filter : Table → (Row → Bool) → Table
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our.rows < in.rows
&& out.cols = in.cols
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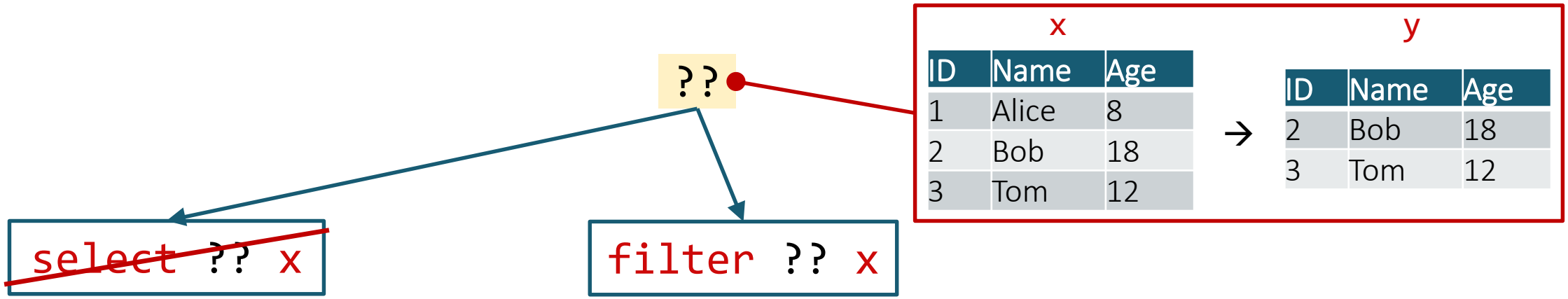
Morpheus: TDP with deduction

[Feng et al'17]



$$\exists x\ y\colon y.\text{rows} = x.\text{rows} \wedge y.\text{cols} < x.\text{cols} \wedge x.\text{rows} = 3 \wedge x.\text{cols} = 3 \wedge y.\text{rows} = 2 \wedge y.\text{cols} = 3$$

SMT → UNSAT

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SMT → SAT

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