

## 2. SMT Solving: Eager vs Lazy Approaches

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# SMT solving

- SMT is an extension of SAT
- Unsurprisingly, SMT solving relies on SAT solving
  - SMT solving  $\equiv$  finding (if any) a  $\mathcal{T}$ -model satisfying a  $\mathcal{T}$ -formula  $\varphi$
- How to encode SMT formulas to corresponding SAT formulas?
  - Eager approaches
  - Lazy approaches
  - Hybrid approaches

# Eager approaches

- Eager approaches translate upfront SMT formulas to equisatisfiable SAT formulas
  - $\varphi, \varphi'$  are equisatisfiable iff  $\varphi$  has a model  $\mathcal{M} \iff \varphi'$  has a model  $\mathcal{M}'$
  - all theory information is used from the beginning
- Eager encodings are naturally theory-specific
- Pros:
  - No need of specialized theory solvers
  - Works well for bit-vectors (bit-blasting)
- Cons:
  - Complex, *ad hoc* encodings needed for all the theories we use
  - Resulting SAT formula can be huge

# Eager approaches

- E.g., consider a **EU**F formula  $\varphi$ . Instead of looking for a  $\mathcal{T}_{EU\text{F}}$ -model, we encode it into an **equisatisfiable SAT** formula  $\varphi^p$ :
- **First step**: replace function/predicate with constant **equalities**
- E.g., suppose we have terms  $f(a)$ ,  $f(b)$ ,  $f(c)$ :
- **Ackermann** approach: replace  $f(a)$ ,  $f(b)$ ,  $f(c)$  with new constants  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and add  $a = b \rightarrow A = B$ ,  $a = c \rightarrow A = C$ ,  $b = c \rightarrow B = C$
- **Bryant** approach:
  - replace  $f(a)$  by  $A$
  - replace  $f(b)$  by  $\text{ite}(a = b, A, B)$
  - replace  $f(c)$  by  $\text{ite}(a = c, A, \text{ite}(b = c, B, C))$

# Example

- E.g., suppose we have  $p(x, y, y)$  and  $p(x, z, t)$ . We add  $P_1, P_2$  and:
- **Ackermann**: replace  $p(x, y, y), p(x, z, t)$  with  $P_1, P_2$  and add formula  $(x = x \wedge y = z \wedge y = t) \rightarrow P_1 = P_2$ 
  - i.e.,  $y \neq z \vee y \neq t \vee P_1 = P_2$
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# SAT Encodings

- **Second step:** remove equalities to reduce  $\varphi$  into **SAT formula**  $\varphi^p$
- **Small-domain encoding:** if  $\varphi$  has  $n$  distinct uninterpreted constants  $\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ , a model  $\mathcal{M} = \langle M, (\cdot)^{\mathcal{M}} \rangle$  for  $\varphi$  has size  $|M| \leq n$ 
  - We don't have functions/predicates anymore, only equalities
- Each  $c_i^{\mathcal{M}}$  can be interpreted in  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ :
  - We only care if  $c_i = c_j$  or  $c_i \neq c_j$ , we don't care about  $|c_i - c_j|$
  - Each  $c_i^{\mathcal{M}}$  takes  $O(\log n)$  bits  $\rightarrow$  overall  **$O(n \log n)$**  space complexity
  - $a = b$  encoded to SAT using the bits for  $a$  and  $b$
- **Direct encoding** (a.k.a. per-constraint encoding):
  - Replace **each**  $a = b$  with a propositional symbol  $P_{a,b}$
  - Add **transitivity constraints** of the form  $(P_{a,b} \wedge P_{b,c}) \rightarrow P_{a,c}$

# Which encoding?

- Small-domain and direct encoding are different ways of translating  $\text{SMT} \rightarrow \text{SAT}$ . *Which one should be used?*
- No general answer: it depends on the **problem structure**
  - **Algorithm selection (AS)** problem
- Direct encoding may generate **larger** problems solved **quickly**
  - Also depending on the underlying SAT solver(s)
- AS techniques enable to choose/combine different encodings
  - The first ML-based approach dates back to 2005 (it used **SVMs**):  
*Sanjit A. Seshia. Adaptive Eager Boolean Encoding for Arithmetic Reasoning in Verification. PhD thesis, Carnegie Mellon University*

# Lazy approaches

- **Lazy approach**: instead of compiling SMT problems to SAT, we **integrate** SAT solvers into SMT solvers and use them when needed
- Most **SMT solvers** are lazy: SAT solvers + theory-specific solvers ( **$\mathcal{T}$ -solvers**)
  - Theory information used **lazily**, when checking  $\mathcal{T}$ -consistency of the **Boolean abstraction** for the input  $\mathcal{T}$ -formula
- A  $\mathcal{T}$ -solver takes in input a **conjunction** of  **$\mathcal{T}$ -literals**  $\varphi$  and decides if  $\varphi$  is **satisfiable** w.r.t. theory  $\mathcal{T}$ 
  - i.e., whether it exists a  **$\mathcal{T}$ -model**  $\mathcal{M}$  s.t.  $\varphi^{\mathcal{M}} = \text{true}$
- **Pros**: more **modular** and **flexible**, no blow-up of SAT clauses
- **Cons**: search is SAT-driven rather than  $\mathcal{T}$ -driven



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- SAT solver detects  $\Phi''$  **unsatisfiable**

# Example

$$\Phi'' \equiv \ell_1 \wedge (\neg \ell_2 \vee \ell_3) \wedge \neg \ell_4 \wedge (\neg \ell_1 \vee \ell_2 \vee \ell_4) \wedge (\neg \ell_1 \vee \neg \ell_2 \vee \neg \ell_3 \vee \ell_4)$$

$\ell_1$	$\ell_2$	$\ell_3$	$\ell_4$	$\Phi''$
true	true	true	true	false
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# Basic idea

**Require:**  $\varphi$  is a qff in the signature  $\Sigma$  of  $T$

**Ensure:** output is sat if  $\varphi$  is  $T$ -satisfiable, and unsat otherwise

$F := \varphi^a$

**loop**

$A := \text{get\_model}(F)$

**if**  $A = \text{none}$  **then**

**return** unsat

**else**

$\mu := \text{check\_sat}_T(A^c)$

**if**  $\mu = \text{sat}$  **then**

**return** sat

**else**

$F := F \wedge \neg \mu^a$

**Fig. 1** A basic SMT solver based on the lazy approach. The function `get_model` implements the SAT engine. It takes a propositional formula  $F$  and returns either `none`, if  $F$  is unsatisfiable, or a satisfiable conjunction  $A$  of propositional literals such that  $A \models F$ . The function `check_satT` implements the theory solver. It takes a conjunction  $\psi$  of  $\Sigma$ -literals and returns either `sat` or a  $T$ -unsatisfiable conjunction  $\mu$  of literals from  $\psi$ .



# Lazy approaches

- Lazy approaches have important benefits w.r.t. eager approaches:
- Everyone does what is **good** at:
  - **SAT solvers** take care of Boolean information
    - SAT clauses (in CNF) of the **Boolean abstraction**
  - **Theory solvers** take care of theory information
    - only **conjunctions** of literals, corresponding to **(partial) assignments**
- **Modular** approach:
  - SAT/SMT solvers **communicate** via simple **APIs**
  - SAT solvers can be **embedded** in lazy SMT solvers with little effort
  - Adding a new theory  **$\mathcal{T}$**  only requires plugging in a new  **$\mathcal{T}$ -solver**

- In a nutshell,  $\text{CDCL}(\mathcal{T}) \simeq \text{CDCL} + \mathcal{T}\text{-solver}$ 
  - CDCL approach to SAT solving is extended to enumerate truth values whose  $\mathcal{T}$ -satisfiability is checked by a  $\mathcal{T}$ -solver
- $\mathcal{T}$ -solver:
  - Checks consistency of **conjunctions** of literals
  - Possibly performs **deductions** of unassigned literals ( $\mathcal{T}$ -propagation)
  - Produces **explanations** of inconsistent assignments
  - Should be **incremental** and **backtrackable**

# Abstract framework

- We can see the above example with an **abstract framework** based on **state transitions** of the form  $\mu \parallel \varphi \Longrightarrow \mu' \parallel \varphi'$  s.t.
  - $\varphi, \varphi'$  are  **$\mathcal{T}$ -formulas**
  - $\mu, \mu'$  are (partial) **Boolean assignments** to atoms of  $\varphi, \varphi'$  resp.
  - $\mu \parallel \varphi$  and  $\mu' \parallel \varphi'$  are called **states**
  - Each transition  $\mu \parallel \varphi \Longrightarrow \mu' \parallel \varphi'$  is defined by **transition rules**
  - A sequence of transitions is called **derivation**
- If from initial state  $\emptyset \parallel \varphi$  we **soundly** derive a final state  $\mu \parallel \varphi$  where  $\mu$  is a **complete** assignment of  $\varphi$ , then  $\varphi$  is  **$\mathcal{T}$ -consistent** ( $\mu \models_{\mathcal{T}} \varphi$ )

# Why an abstract framework?

- **Skip** over implementation details and unimportant control aspects
- **Reason** formally about solvers for SAT and SMT
- **Model** advanced features such as non-chronological backtracking, lemma learning, theory propagation, ...
- **Describe** different strategies and prove their correctness
- **Compare** different systems at a higher level

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- We are at **decision level 0** (no literal decided)  $\implies \varphi$  **unsatisfiable**

# $\mathcal{T}$ -propagation

- $\mathcal{T}$ -propagation makes lazy approaches “less lazy”: theory information can guide the search via deductions or  $\mathcal{T}$ -consequences
  - Typically, performed **after** unit-propagation (more costly)

- General rule:

- if  $\mu \models_{\mathcal{T}} \ell$ , and
- $\varphi$  contains  $\ell$  or  $\neg\ell$ , and
- neither  $\ell$  nor  $\neg\ell$  occur in  $\mu$ , then:

$$\mu \parallel \varphi \implies \mu \cup \{\ell\} \parallel \varphi$$

- E.g., if  $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{Z}}$  and  $a < b, b < c \in \mu$  then  $\mu \models_{\mathcal{T}} (a < c)$
- If neither  $a < c$  nor  $\neg(a < c) \equiv a \geq c$  occur in  $\mu$ , and  $\varphi$  contains  $a < c$  or  $a \geq c$ , we should add  $a < c$  to  $\mu$  to improve propagation

# CDCL( $\mathcal{T}$ ) algorithm

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1: function  $\mathcal{T}$ -CDCL( $\varphi : \mathcal{T}$ -formula,  $\mu : \mathcal{T}$ -assignment)
2:   if preProcess( $\varphi, \mu$ ) = Conflict then return  $\perp$            ▷ Pre-processing
3:    $\varphi^p \leftarrow \mathcal{T2B}(\varphi); \quad \mu^p \leftarrow \mathcal{T2B}(\mu)$        ▷ Boolean abstractions
4:   level  $\leftarrow 0$                                            ▷ Decision level 0
5:   while true do
6:     status  $\leftarrow$  propagate( $\varphi^p, \mu^p$ )                 ▷ Unit +  $\mathcal{T}$ -propagation
7:     if status = SAT then return  $\mathcal{B2T}(\mu^p)$                ▷  $\varphi$  satisfiable
8:     else if status = UNSAT then
9:       level  $\leftarrow$  analyzeConflict( $\varphi^p, \mu^p$ )           ▷ Conflict analysis
10:      if level < 0 then return  $\perp$                              ▷  $\varphi$  unsatisfiable
11:      backjump(level,  $\varphi^p, \mu^p$ )                          ▷ Revert to level
12:       $\mu^p \leftarrow \mu^p \cup$  decideNextLit( $\varphi^p, \mu^p$ )     ▷ Split on next literal
13:      level  $\leftarrow$  level + 1                                ▷ Increase decision level
14:   end while
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- **preProcess**: possibly simplifies/updates  $\varphi$  and early detects inconsistencies
  - e.g.,  $x < 5 \wedge x < 8 \models x < 5$ ,  $x = y \wedge f(x) \neq f(y) \models \perp$
- $\mathcal{T}2\mathcal{B}$  maps a  $\mathcal{T}$ -formula to its **Boolean abstraction** ( $\mathcal{B}2\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}2\mathcal{B}^{-1}$ )
  - e.g.,  $\mathcal{T}2\mathcal{B}(A \vee x + 3 < y \vee y \leq 0) = A \vee B_1 \vee B_2$
- **propagate**: iteratively applies first **unit propagation** and then  $\mathcal{T}$ -**propagation**. It possibly updates  $\varphi^P, \mu^P$  and returns either:
  - **SAT**: the current model  $\mu^P$  is  $\mathcal{T}$ -satisfiable
  - **UNSAT**: no  $\mathcal{T}$ -model exists for  $\mu^P$
  - **UNKNOWN**: no more literals can be deduced (fixpoint)
- **decideNextLit**: select the next literal to split on according to given heuristics as in standard DPLL (but  $\mathcal{T}$ -information possibly exploited)

# Conflict analysis

- **analyzeConflict** performs conflict analysis if UNSAT is returned
- If a conflict detected by **Boolean** propagation ( $\mu^p \wedge \varphi^p \models_p \perp$ ) a Boolean **conflict set**  $\eta^p$  is produced (see **CDCL**)
- If a conflict detected by  **$\mathcal{T}$** -propagation ( $\mu \wedge \varphi \models_{\mathcal{T}} \perp$ ) a **theory** conflict set  $\eta$  is produced and **abstracted** to  $\eta^p$
- Then,  $\varphi^p$  updated with  $\neg\eta^p \wedge \varphi^p$  and a **decision level** is returned:
  - If **level**  $< 0$ , no more decisions are possible:  $\varphi$  **unsatisfiable**
  - Otherwise, **backjump** to that specified level
    - Original DPLL does **chronological backtracking**: back to the most recent decision level

# CDCL( $\mathcal{T}$ ) conflict example

- Let  $(h(a) = h(c) \vee p) \wedge (a = b \vee \neg p \vee a = d) \wedge (a \neq d \vee a = b)$  be part of a formula  $\varphi$  and decision  $c = b \in \mu$ . Consider the following:
- Decide  $h(a) \neq h(c)$



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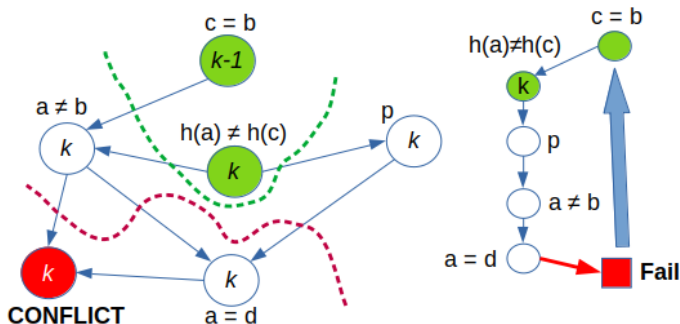
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# Conflict analysis

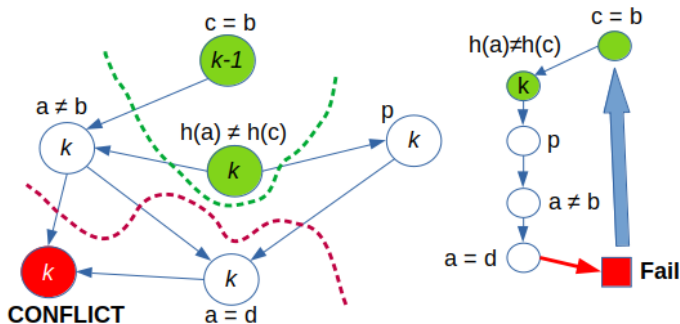
- Like SAT, an **implication graph** is built to derive an **explanation** from the conflict
- **Nodes**: either decisions, derived literals or conflicts
- **Edges**: if  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \models w$  (via **unit/theory propagation**) then edges  $v_1 \rightarrow w, \dots, v_k \rightarrow w$  belong to the graph
  - **Note**: nodes  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  could be at different **decision levels**
- Every **cut** of the graph separating **sources** (decisions) from the **sink** (the conflict) is a valid **conflict clause**

# Implication graph



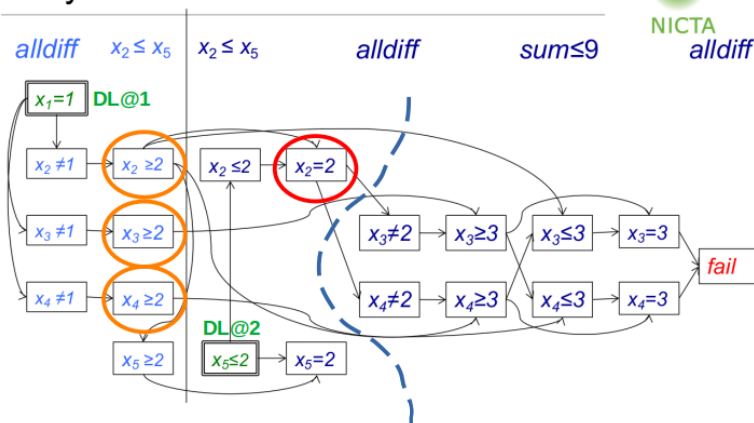
- How to cut? Typically, **1UIP** clause is chosen
- **UIP** (Unique Implication Point) = node traversed by **all** paths from **current decision** node to conflict. **1UIP** = “closest” UIP to conflict

# CDCL( $\mathcal{T}$ ) conflict example



- Here, the 1UIP is  $h(a) \neq h(c)$
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## Lazy Clause Generation Ex.



Suppose  $x_1, \dots, x_4 \in \{1..4\}$ . 1UIP for level 2 is  $\llbracket x_2 = 2 \rrbracket$ . Conflict set is  $\eta = \{\llbracket x_2 \geq 2 \rrbracket, \llbracket x_3 \geq 2 \rrbracket, \llbracket x_4 \geq 2 \rrbracket, \llbracket x_2 = 2 \rrbracket\}$ . Backjump to DL@1

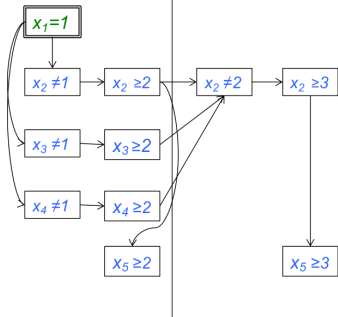
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## Backjumping



*alldiff*  $x_2 \leq x_5$



- Backtrack to **second last** level in nogood
- Nogood will propagate
- Note **stronger** domain than usual backtracking
  - $D(x_2) = \{3..4\}$

$\{x_2 \geq 2, x_3 \geq 2, x_4 \geq 2, x_2 = 2\} \rightarrow \text{false}$

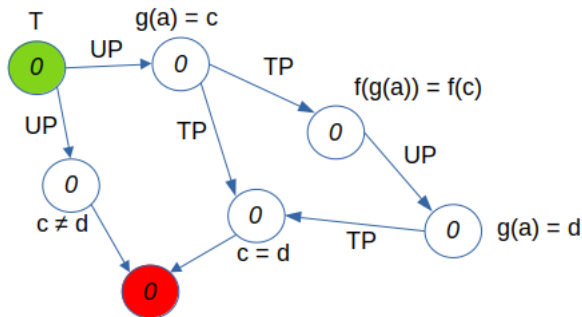
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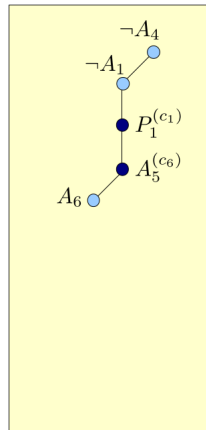
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Example from CAV Verification Mentoring Workshop 2017 talk by *Alberto Griggio* (FBK, Trento). Light blue nodes = *decisions*, dark blue nodes = *entailed* literals

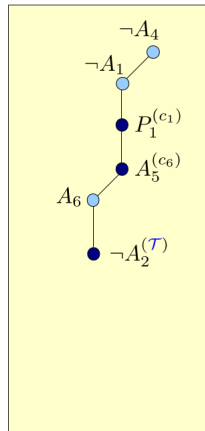
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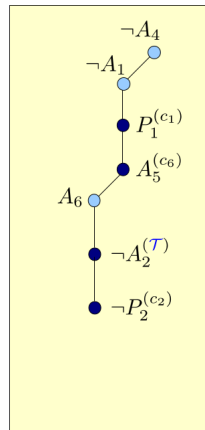
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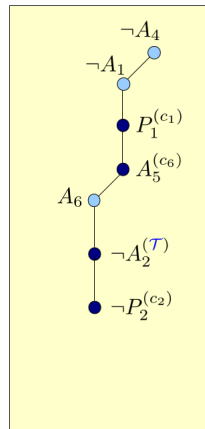
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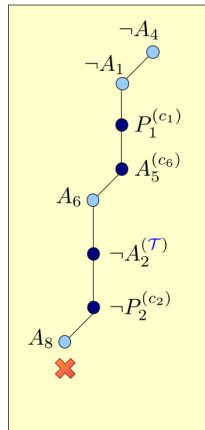


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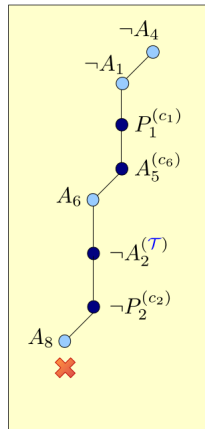


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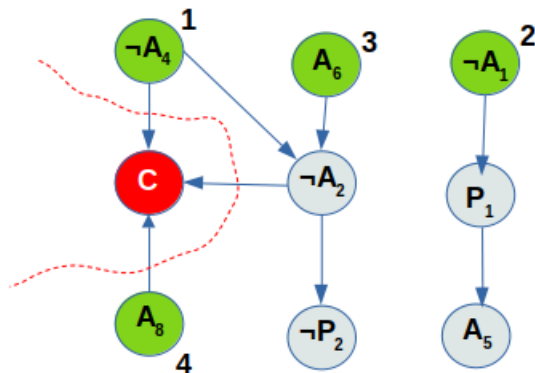
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**Exercise:** write the implication graph, the 1UIP and the conflict set

# CDCL( $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{Z}}$ ) example



**Exercise:** 1UIP =  $A_8$ , conflict set  $\eta = \{A_8, A_6, \neg A_4\}$ .

Backjump to DL 3 and add  $\neg A_8 \vee \neg A_6 \vee A_4$ . This unit propagates  $\neg A_8$ ...

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Is this **satisfiable**?

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sat
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# Take-home messages

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- Two orthogonal approaches: eager vs lazy encoding of  $\text{SMT} \rightarrow \text{SAT}$
- Eager approach: translates upfront a SMT formula to equisatisfiable SAT formula (a.k.a. “bit-blasting”)
  - No need of theory solvers
  - Complex, *ad hoc* encodings needed for all the theories we use
  - Examples: small-domain encoding, direct encoding
  - Works well with theory of bit vectors

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- **Lazy** approach: combine SAT solvers +  $\mathcal{T}$ -solvers
  - $\mathcal{T}$ -information used lazily over **Boolean abstractions**
  - Everyone (SAT and SMT solvers) does what it is good at
  - Modular and flexible
  - Typically, but not necessarily, more efficient than eager approach
- **CDCL( $\mathcal{T}$ )**: well-established lazy approach. Extends CDCL with:
  - theory propagation
  - theory conflicts analysis
  - sometimes called DPLL( $\mathcal{T}$ )

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