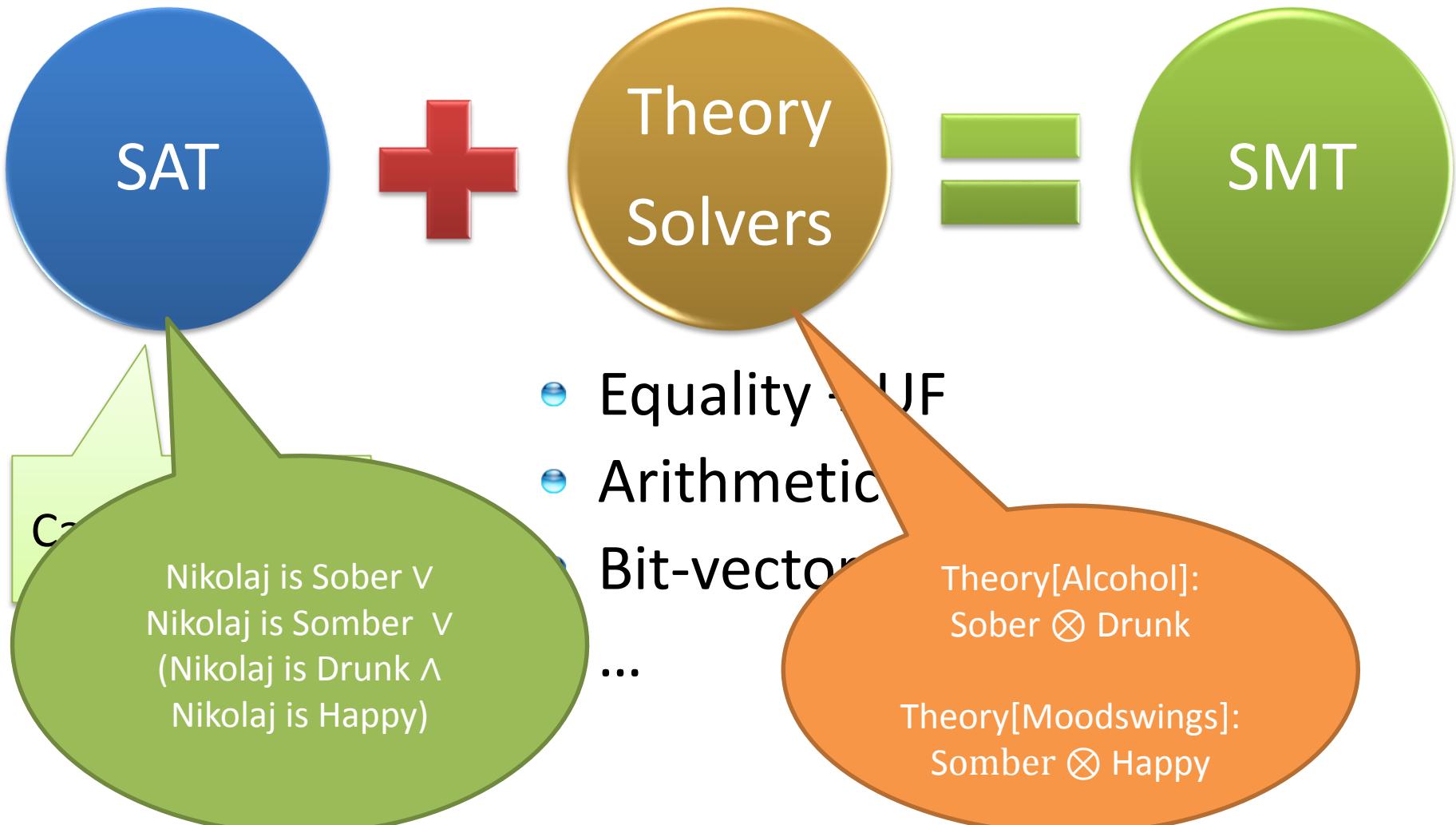


Satisfiability Modulo Theories and Z3

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SMT : Basic Architecture



Plan

Mon An invitation to SMT with Z3

Tue Equalities and Theory Combination

Wed Theories: Arithmetic, Arrays, Data types

Thu Quantifiers and Theories

Fri Programming Z3: Interfacing and Solving

Part 1

- I. Satisfiability Modulo Theories in a nutshell
- II. SMT *solving* in a nutshell
- III. SMT by example

Takeaways:

- Modern SMT solvers are often good fit for program analysis tools.
 - Handle domains found in programs directly.
- The selected examples are intended to show instances where sub-tasks are reduced to SMT/Z3.



Wasn't that easy?!

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Jean Yang



I am a fifth-year Ph.D. student at the [Computer-Aided Programming](#) group.

My goal is to automate the creation of programs by focusing on the interesting functional constructs into non-declarative applications.

To get an idea of the research I do, see my [programmatic languages](#) superpage.

Research Projects.

- The [Jeeves](#) programming language for automatically enforcing privacy policies.
- The [Verve](#) modeling system, the first automatically and easily extensible modeling system.

Peer-Reviewed Publications.

[A Language for Automatically Enforcing Privacy Policies](#). Jean Yang and David Basin. POPL 2012. [Paper: [pdf](#)] [Slides: [pptx](#) [pdf](#)] [BibTeX]

[Secure Distributed Programming with Value-Dependent Types](#). Pierre-Yves Strub, Karthikeyan Bharagavan, and Jean Yang. PLDI 2012. [Paper: [pdf](#)] [BibTeX]

[Safe to the Last Instruction: Automated Verification of C Programs](#). Chris Hawblitzel. PLDI 2010. Best paper award. [Paper: [pdf](#)] [BibTeX]

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Z3 – Backed by Proof Plumbers

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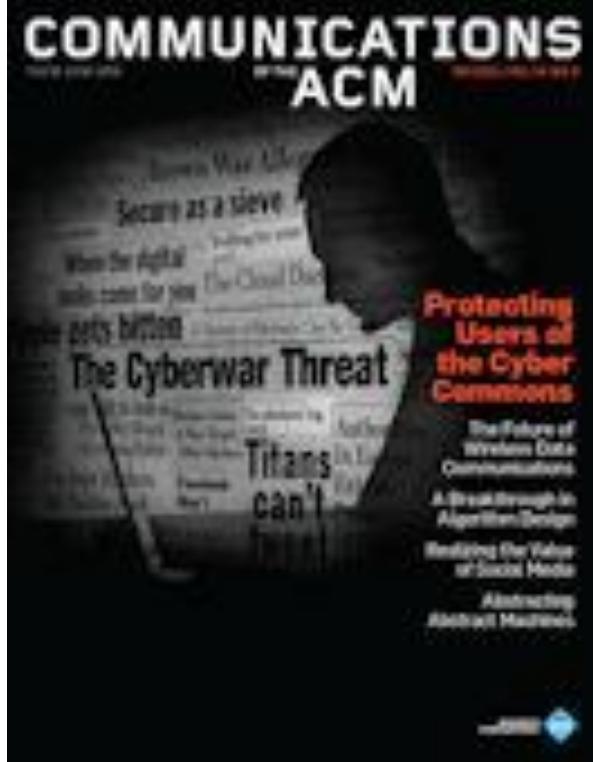


Not all is hopeless



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Background Reading: SMT



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Satisfiability Modulo Theories: Introduction & Applications

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ABSTRACT

Constraint satisfaction problems arise in many diverse areas, including software and hardware verification, type inference, program analysis, test-case generation, scheduling, planning, and graph problems. These areas share a common trait: they include a core component using logical theories for describing states and transformations between them. The most well-known constraint satisfaction problem is Boolean satisfiability, SAT, where the goal is to determine whether a formula over Boolean variables, formed using connectives, can be made *true* by choosing *true/false* values for its variables. Some problems are more naturally expressed using richer languages, such as arithmetic. A suitable theory (of arithmetic) is then required to capture the meaning of these formulas. Solvers for such formulations are commonly called *Satisfiability Modulo Theories* (SMT) solvers.

SMT solvers have been the focus of increased recent attention thanks to technological advances and industrial applications. Yet, they draw on a combination of some of the most fundamental areas in computer science as well as discoveries from the past century of symbolic logic. They combine the problem of Boolean Satisfiability with domains, such as, those studied in convex optimization and term-manipulating symbolic systems. They involve the decision problem, completeness and incompleteness of logical theories, and finally complexity theory. In this article, we present an overview of the field of Satisfiability Modulo Theories, and some of its applications.

key driving factor [4]. An important ingredient is a common interchange format for benchmarks, called SMT-LIB [33], and the classification of benchmarks into various categories depending on which theories are required. Conversely, a growing number of applications are able to generate benchmarks in the SMT-LIB format to further inspire improving SMT solvers.

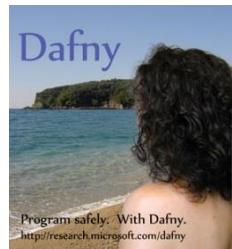
There is a relatively long tradition of using SMT solvers in select and specialized contexts. One prolific case is theorem proving systems such as ACL2 [26] and PVS [32]. These use decision procedures to discharge lemmas encountered during interactive proofs. SMT solvers have also been used for a long time in the context of program verification and *extended static checking* [21], where verification is focused on assertion checking. Recent progress in SMT solvers, however, has enabled their use in a set of diverse applications, including interactive theorem provers and extended static checkers, but also in the context of scheduling, planning, test-case generation, model-based testing and program development, static program analysis, program synthesis, and run-time analysis, among several others.

We begin by introducing a motivating application and a simple instance of it that we will use as a running example.

1.1 An SMT Application - Scheduling

Consider the classical *job shop scheduling* decision problem. In this problem, there are n jobs, each composed of m tasks of varying duration that have to be performed consecutively on m machines. The start of a new task can be delayed as long as needed in order to wait for a machine to become available but tasks cannot be interrupted once

Some Microsoft Tools based on Z3



Program
Verification



Auditing



Type Safety



Over-
Approximation

TERMINATOR



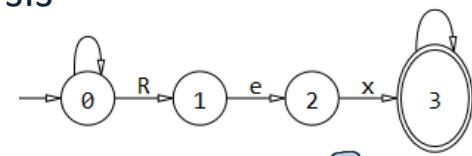
Under-
Approximation



Testing



Analysis



Synthesis





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a community of software engineering tools

all tutorial automata concurrency design encoders infrastructure languages security synthesis testing verification

new!

f* A verification tool for higher-order stateful programs

fast A domain specific language for writing and analyzing tree manipulating programs
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iz3 Efficient Interpolating Theorem Prover
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agl Automatic Graph Layout

bek A domain specific language for writing and analyzing common string functions
--

bex A domain specific language for writing and analyzing string encoders and decoders

boogie Intermediate Verification Language

chalice A language and program verifier for reasoning about concurrent programs.
--

code contracts Language agnostic modular program verification and repair with abstract interpretation.
--

counterdog Theorem-prover For Counterfactual Datalog
--

dafny A language and program verifier for functional correctness
--

dkal Distributed Knowledge Authorization Language

esm Empirical Software Engineering and Measurement Group
--

fast A domain specific language for writing and analyzing tree manipulating programs
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formula Formal Modeling Using Logic Programming and Analysis
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formula2 Formal Modeling Using Logic Programming and Analysis

try f# Programming language combining functional, object-oriented and scripting programming.
--

f* A verification tool for higher-order stateful programs

heapdbg Runtime heap abstraction
--

iz3 Efficient Interpolating Theorem Prover
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koka A function-oriented language with effect inference

pex Automatic test generation using Dynamic Symbolic Execution for .NET

quickcode Programming-by-example technology for learning string transformation programs

concurrent revisions Parallel and Concurrent Programming With Snapshots

rex Regular Expression Exploration
--

seal Side-Effects Analysis

slayer Automatic formal verification for programs with heaps.

spec# A formal language for API contracts

touchdevelop Program your phone on your phone.
--

VCC A Verifier for Concurrent C

visual c++ The Visual C++ compiler
--

z3 Efficient Theorem Prover

z3bio SMT-based Analysis of Biological Computation
--

z3py Python Interface for the Z3 Theorem Prover

albert-ludwigs-universität freiburg

gravy The GradualVerifier

joogie Infeasible Code Detection for Java

eth zurich - chair of software engineering

autoproof a Program Verifier for Eiffel

boogaloo the Boogie Interpreter

javanni a Verifier for JavaScript

qfis a Program Verifier for Integer Sequences

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verifast Verifier for C and Java Programs

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gpuverify-cuda A verifier for CUDA/OpenCL kernels

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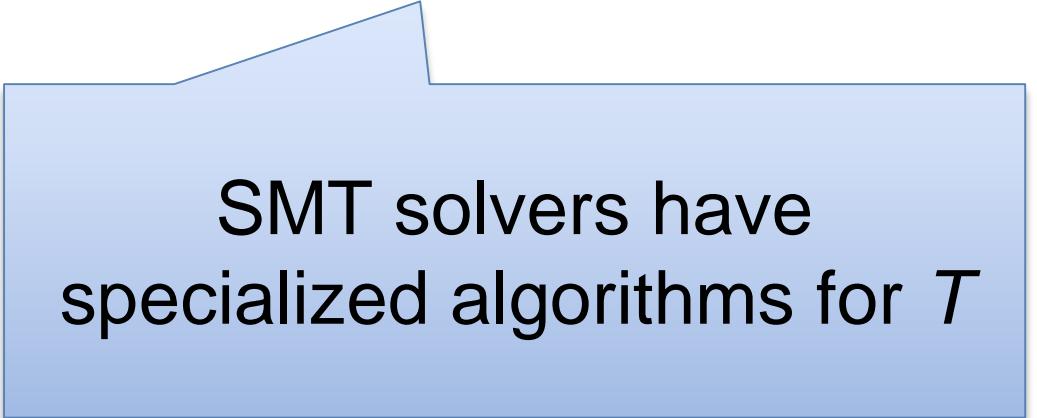
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SMT IN A NUTSHELL

Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT)

Is formula φ satisfiable
modulo theory T ?



SMT solvers have
specialized algorithms for T

Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT)

$$x + 2 = y \Rightarrow f(select(store(a, x, 3), y - 2)) = f(y - x + 1)$$

Array Theory

Arithmetic

Uninterpreted
Functions

$$\begin{aligned} select(store(a, i, v), i) &= v \\ i \neq j \Rightarrow select(store(a, i, v), j) &= select(a, j) \end{aligned}$$

SMT SOLVING IN A NUTSHELL

Job Shop Scheduling

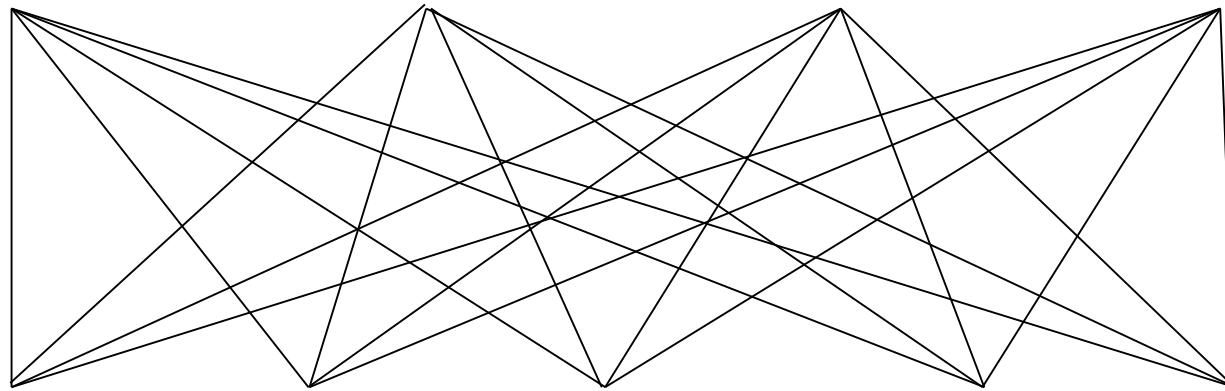
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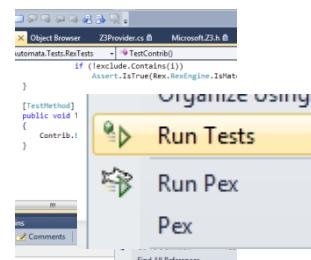
Machines

Tasks

Jobs



P = NP?

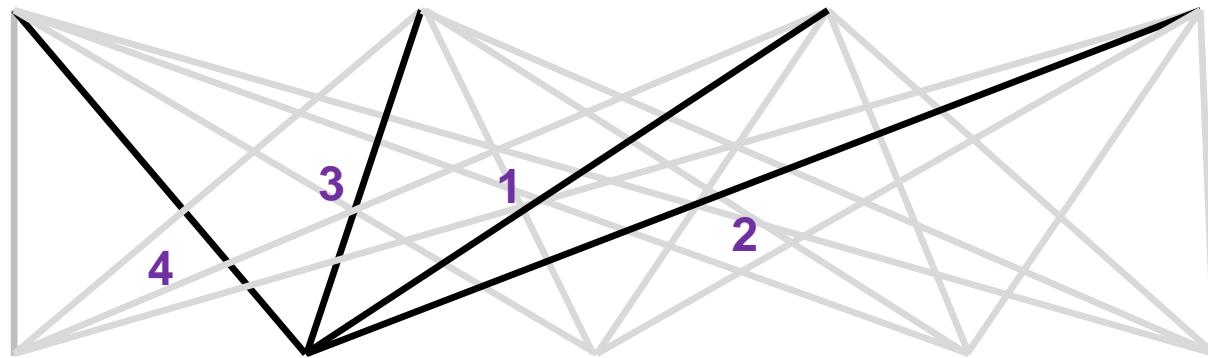


$$\zeta(s) = 0 \Rightarrow s = \frac{1}{2} + ir$$

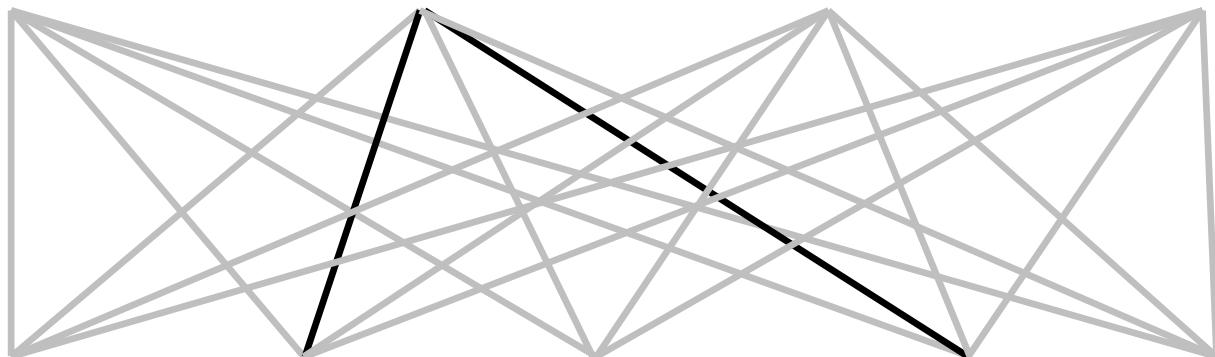
Job Shop Scheduling

Constraints:

Precedence: between two tasks of the same job



Resource: Machines execute at most one job at a time

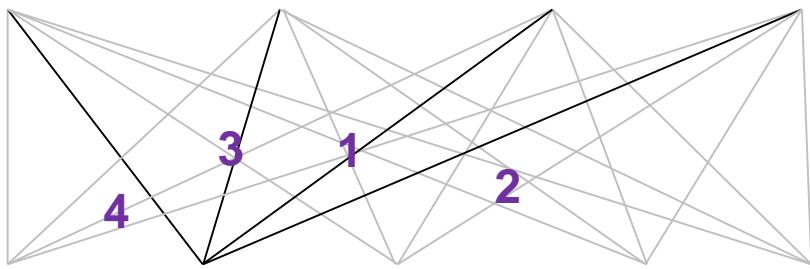


$$[start_{2,2}..end_{2,2}] \cap [start_{4,2}..end_{4,2}] = \emptyset$$

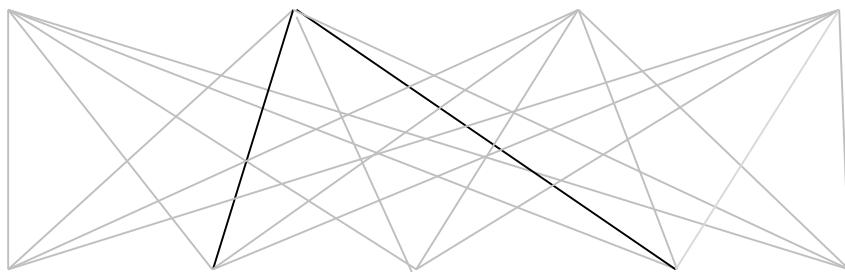
Job Shop Scheduling

Constraints:

Precedence:



Resource:



$$[start_{2,2} \dots end_{2,2}] \cap [start_{4,2} \dots end_{4,2}] = \emptyset$$

Encoding:

$t_{2,3}$ - start time of job 2 on mach 3

$d_{2,3}$ - duration of job 2 on mach 3

$$t_{2,3} + d_{2,3} \leq t_{2,4}$$

Not convex

$$t_{2,2} + d_{2,2} \leq t_{4,2}$$

$$\vee$$
$$t_{4,2} + d_{4,2} \leq t_{2,2}$$

Job Shop Scheduling

$d_{i,j}$	Machine 1	Machine 2
Job 1	2	1
Job 2	3	1
Job 3	2	3

$\max = 8$

Solution

$$t_{1,1} = 5, t_{1,2} = 7, t_{2,1} = 2, \\ t_{2,2} = 6, t_{3,1} = 0, t_{3,2} = 3$$

Encoding

$$(t_{1,1} \geq 0) \wedge (t_{1,2} \geq t_{1,1} + 2) \wedge (t_{1,2} + 1 \leq 8) \wedge \\ (t_{2,1} \geq 0) \wedge (t_{2,2} \geq t_{2,1} + 3) \wedge (t_{2,2} + 1 \leq 8) \wedge \\ (t_{3,1} \geq 0) \wedge (t_{3,2} \geq t_{3,1} + 2) \wedge (t_{3,2} + 3 \leq 8) \wedge \\ ((t_{1,1} \geq t_{2,1} + 3) \vee (t_{2,1} \geq t_{1,1} + 2)) \wedge \\ ((t_{1,1} \geq t_{3,1} + 2) \vee (t_{3,1} \geq t_{1,1} + 2)) \wedge \\ ((t_{2,1} \geq t_{3,1} + 2) \vee (t_{3,1} \geq t_{2,1} + 3)) \wedge \\ ((t_{1,2} \geq t_{2,2} + 1) \vee (t_{2,2} \geq t_{1,2} + 1)) \wedge \\ ((t_{1,2} \geq t_{3,2} + 3) \vee (t_{3,2} \geq t_{1,2} + 1)) \wedge \\ ((t_{2,2} \geq t_{3,2} + 3) \vee (t_{3,2} \geq t_{2,2} + 1))$$

Job Shop Scheduling

$$\begin{aligned}(t_{1,1} \geq 0) \wedge (t_{1,2} \geq t_{1,1} + 2) \wedge (t_{1,2} + 1 \leq 8) \wedge \\(t_{2,1} \geq 0) \wedge (t_{2,2} \geq t_{2,1} + 3) \wedge (t_{2,2} + 1 \leq 8) \wedge \\(t_{3,1} \geq 0) \wedge (t_{3,2} \geq t_{3,1} + 2) \wedge (t_{3,2} + 3 \leq 8) \wedge \\((t_{1,1} \geq t_{2,1} + 3) \vee (t_{2,1} \geq t_{1,1} + 2)) \wedge \\((t_{1,1} \geq t_{3,1} + 2) \vee (t_{3,1} \geq t_{1,1} + 2)) \wedge \\((t_{2,1} \geq t_{3,1} + 2) \vee (t_{3,1} \geq t_{2,1} + 3)) \wedge \\((t_{1,2} \geq t_{2,2} + 1) \vee (t_{2,2} \geq t_{1,2} + 1)) \wedge \\((t_{1,2} \geq t_{3,2} + 3) \vee (t_{3,2} \geq t_{1,2} + 1)) \wedge \\((t_{2,2} \geq t_{3,2} + 3) \vee (t_{3,2} \geq t_{2,2} + 1))\end{aligned}$$

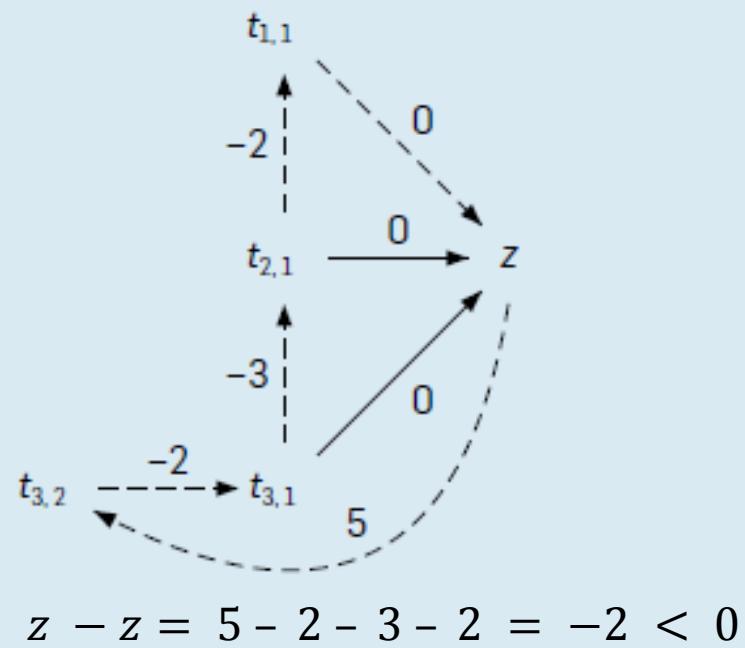
case split

Efficient solvers:

- Floyd-Warshall algorithm
- Ford-Fulkerson algorithm

case split

$$\begin{array}{rclcrcl} z & - & t_{1,1} & \leq & 0 \\ z & - & t_{2,1} & \leq & 0 \\ z & - & t_{3,1} & \leq & 0 \\ t_{3,2} & - & z & \leq & 5 \\ t_{3,1} & - & t_{3,2} & \leq & -2 \\ t_{2,1} & - & t_{3,1} & \leq & -3 \\ t_{1,1} & - & t_{2,1} & \leq & -2 \end{array}$$



THEORIES

Theories

Uninterpreted functions

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z3

Is this formula satisfiable? Ask z3!

```
1 (declare-sort () A)
2 (declare-fun f (A) A)
3 (declare-const a A)
4 (assert (= a (f (f a))))
5 (assert (= a (f (f (f a)))))
6 (check-sat)
7 (get-model)
8 (echo "Adding contradiction")
9 (assert (not (= a (f a))))
10 (check-sat)
```

ask z3

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Theories: z3py

Explore the Z3 API using Python

```
1 t11, t12, t21, t22, t31, t32 = Ints('t11 t12 t21 t22 t31 t32')
2
3 s = Solver()
4
5 s.add(And([t11 >= 0, t12 >= t11 + 2, t12 + 1 <= 8]))
6 s.add(And([t21 >= 0, t22 >= t21 + 3, t22 + 1 <= 8]))
7 s.add(And([t31 >= 0, t32 >= t31 + 2, t32 + 3 <= 8]))
8
9 s.add(Or(t11 >= t21 + 3, t21 >= t11 + 2))
10 s.add(Or(t11 >= t31 + 2, t31 >= t11 + 2))
11 s.add(Or(t21 >= t31 + 2, t31 >= t21 + 3))
12 s.add(Or(t21 >= t22 + 1, t22 >= t12 + 1))
13 s.add(Or(t12 >= t32 + 3, t32 >= t12 + 1))
14 s.add(Or(t22 >= t32 + 3, t32 >= t22 + 1))
15
16 print ">>", s.check()
17 print ">>", s.model()
18
19
```



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```
>> sat
>> [t31 = 0, t21 = 4, t22 = 7, t32 = 2, t12 = 5, t11 = 2]
```

Theories

z3py

Explore the Z3 API using Python

```
1
2
3 x      = BitVec('x', 32)
4 powers = [ 2**i for i in range(32) ]
5 fast   = And(x != 0, x & (x - 1) == 0)
6 slow   = Or([ x == p for p in powers ])
7
8
9 prove(fast == slow)
10
11 print "buggy version..."
12
13 fast   = x & (x - 1) == 0
14
15
16 prove(fast == slow)
17
18
19
20
```



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proved
buggy version...
counterexample
[x = 0]

Theories

z3py

Explore the Z3 API using Python

```
1 List = Datatype('List')
2 List.declare('cons', ('car', IntSort()), ('cdr', List))
3 List.declare('nil')
4 List = List.create()
5 cons = List.cons
6 car = List.car
7 cdr = List.cdr
8 nil = List.nil
9 l1 = cons(10, cons(20, nil))
10
11 print ">>", simplify(cdr(l1))
12
13 print ">>", simplify(car(l1))
14
15 print ">>", simplify(l1 == nil)
16
17
18 x, y = Ints('x y')
19 l1 = Const('l1',List)
20 l2 = Const('l2',List)
21 s = Solver()
```



Theories

Uninterpreted functions

Arithmetic (linear)

Bit-vectors

Algebraic data-types

[Arrays](#)

```
2 ; supported in Z3.  
3 ; This includes Combinatory Array Logic (de Moura &  
4 ;  
5 (define-sort A () (Array Int Int))  
6 (declare-fun x () Int)  
7 (declare-fun y () Int)  
8 (declare-fun z () Int)  
9 (declare-fun a1 () A)  
10 (declare-fun a2 () A)  
11 (declare-fun a3 () A)  
12 (push) ; illustrate select-store  
13 (assert (= (select a1 x) x))  
14 (assert (= (store a1 x y) a1))  
15 (check-sat)  
16 (get-model)  
17 (assert (not (= x y)))  
18 (check-sat)  
19 (pop)  
20 (define-fun all1_array () A ((as const A) 1))  
21 (simplify (select all1_array x))  
22 (define-sort IntSet () (Array Int Bool))
```

ask z3

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```
sat  
(model  
  (define-fun y () Int  
    1)  
  (define-fun a1 () (Array Int Int)  
    (_ as-array k!0))  
  (define-fun x () Int  
    1)  
  (define-fun k!0 ((x!1 Int)) Int  
    (ite (= x!1 1) 1
```

Theories

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[Polynomial Arithmetic](#)

z3py

Explore the Z3 API using Python

```
1 x, y, z = Reals('x y z')
2
3 solve(x**2 + y**2 < 1, x*y > 1,
4       show=True)
5
6 solve(x**2 + y**2 < 1, x*y > 0.4,
7       show=True)
8
9 solve(x**2 + y**2 < 1, x*y > 0.4, x < 0,
10      show=True)
11
12 solve(x**5 - x - y == 0, Or(y == 1, y == -1),
13        show=True)
14
```



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about Z3Py - Python interface for the Z3
Z3 is a high-performance theorem prover. Z3 supports extensional arrays, datatypes, uninterpreted functions, and more.

QUANTIFIERS

Equality-Matching

$$\begin{array}{l} p_{(\forall \dots)} \\ \wedge \quad a = g(b, b) \\ \wedge \quad b = c \\ \wedge \quad f(a) \neq c \\ \wedge \quad p_{(\forall x \dots)} \rightarrow f(g(c, b)) = b \end{array}$$

$g(c, x)$ matches $g(b, b)$
with substitution $[x \mapsto b]$
modulo $b = c$

[de Moura, B. CADE 2007]

Quantifier Elimination

```
1
2 (define-fun stamp () Bool
3   (forall((x Int))
4     (=>
5       (>= x 8)
6       (exists ((u Int) (v Int))
7         (and (>= u 0) (>= v 0) (= x (+ (* 3 u) (* 5 v)))))))
8
9 (simplify stamp)|
10
11 (elim-quantifiers stamp)
```

Presburger Arithmetic,
Algebraic Data-types,
Quadratic polynomials

MBQI: Model based Quantifier Instantiation

```
(set-option :mbqi true)
(declare-fun f (Int Int) Int)
(declare-const a Int)
(declare-const b Int)

(assert (forall ((x Int)) (>= (f x x) (+ x a)))))

(assert (< (f a b) a))
(assert (> a 0))
(check-sat)
(get-model)

(echo "evaluating (f (+ a 10) 20)...")
(eval (f (+ a 10) 20))
```

[de Moura, Ge. CAV 2008]
[Bonacina, Lynch, de Moura CADE 2009]
[de Moura, B. IJCAR 2010]

Horn Clauses

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mc}(x) &= x - 10 && \text{if } x > 100 \\ \text{mc}(x) &= \text{mc}(\text{mc}(x + 11)) && \text{if } x \leq 100 \end{aligned}$$

assert ($\text{mc}(x) \geq 91$)

$$\forall X. X > 100 \rightarrow \text{mc}(X, X - 10)$$

$$\forall X, Y, R. X \leq 100 \wedge \text{mc}(X + 11, Y) \wedge \text{mc}(Y, R) \rightarrow \text{mc}(X, R)$$

$$\forall X, R. \text{mc}(X, R) \wedge X \leq 101 \rightarrow R = 91$$

Solver finds solution for mc

MODELS, PROOFS, CORES & SIMPLIFICATION

Models

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dafny esm fine heapdbg poirot pex rex spec# vcc
z3

```
(define-sorts ((A (Array Int Int))))  
(declare-funs ((x Int) (y Int) (z Int)))  
(declare-funs ((a1 A) (a2 A) (a3 A)))  
(assert (= (select a1 x) x))  
(assert (= (store a1 x y) a1))  
(check-sat)  
(get-info model)
```



Logical Formula

ask z3

*Is this SMT formula satisfiable?
Click 'ask Z3'! Read more or watch the video.*

```
sat  
(("model"  
(define x 0)  
(define a1 as-array[k!0])  
(define y 0)  
(define (k!0 (x1 Int))  
(if (= x1 0) 0  
1))))
```



Sat/Model

Proofs

```
(set-logic QF_LIA)
(declare-funs ((x Int) (x1 Int)))
(declare-funs ((x3 Int) (x2 Int)))
(declare-funs ((x4 Int) (x5 Int)))
(declare-funs ((y Int) (z Int) (u Int)))
(assert (> x y))
(assert (= (- (* x 3) (* y 3)) (- z u))) proof.smt2 PROOF_MODE=2
(assert (<= 0 z))
(assert (<= 0 u))
(assert (< z 3))
(assert (< u 3))
(check-sat)
(get-proof)
```



Logical Formula

```
ded <= 0 u] [rewrite <iff <= 0 u> <>= u 0>>] <>= u 0>
im
erted <= <- (* x 3) (* y 3)> <- z u>>
ns
onotonicity
[trans
  [monotonicity
    [rewrite <= <(* x 3) (* 3 x)>>]
    [rewrite <= <(* y 3) (* 3 y)>>]
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    [rewrite <= <- (* 3 x) (* 3 y)> <+ (* 3 x) (* -3 y)>>>]
    <= <- (* x 3) (* y 3)> <+ (* 3 x) (* -3 y)>>>]
    [rewrite <= <- z u> <+ z (* -1 u)>>>]
    <iff <= <- (* x 3) (* y 3)> <- z u>>
    <= <+ (* 3 x) (* -3 y)> <+ z (* -1 u)>>>]
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      <iff <= <- (* x 3) (* y 3)> <- z u>>
      <= <+ (* 3 x) <+ (* -3 y) <+ (* -1 z) u>>> 0>>>]
      <= <+ (* 3 x) <+ (* -3 y) <+ (* -1 z) u>>> 0>>>]
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      <not <or <not <<= <+ (* 3 x) <+ (* -3 y) <+ (* -1 z) u>>> 0>>>
        <not <>= <+ (* 3 x) <+ (* -3 y) <+ (* -1 z) u>>> 0>>>>>]
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      [asserted <> x y]
      [rewrite <iff <> x y> <not <<= <+ x (* -1 y)> 0>>>]
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    [mp [asserted << z 3>>] [rewrite <iff << z 3>> <not <>= z 3>>>] <not <>= z 3>>>]
  false]
```

Unsat/Proof

Simplification

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z3

```
(declare-fun x () Real)
(declare-fun y () Real)
(simplify (>= x (+ x y)))
```

ask z3 *Is this SMT formula satisfiable? Click 'ask z3'! Read more or watch the video.*

```
(<= y 0.0)
```

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Cores

```
(declare-preds ((p) (q) (r) (s)))
(set-option enable-cores)
(assert (or p q))
(assert (implies r s))
(assert (implies s (iff q r)))
(assert (or r p))
(assert (or r s))
(assert (not (and r q)))
(assert (not (and s p)))
(check-sat)
(get-unsat-core)
```



Logical Formula

ask z3

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```
unsat
((or p q)
(=> r s)
(or r p)
(or r s)
(not (and r q))
(not (and s p)))
```



Unsat. Core

TACTICS, SOLVERS

Tactics

```
(declare-const x (_ BitVec 16))
(declare-const y (_ BitVec 16))

(assert (= (bvor x y) (_ bv13 16)))
(assert (bvslt x y))

(check-sat-using (then simplify solve-eqs bit-blast sat))
(get-model)
```

Composition of tactics:

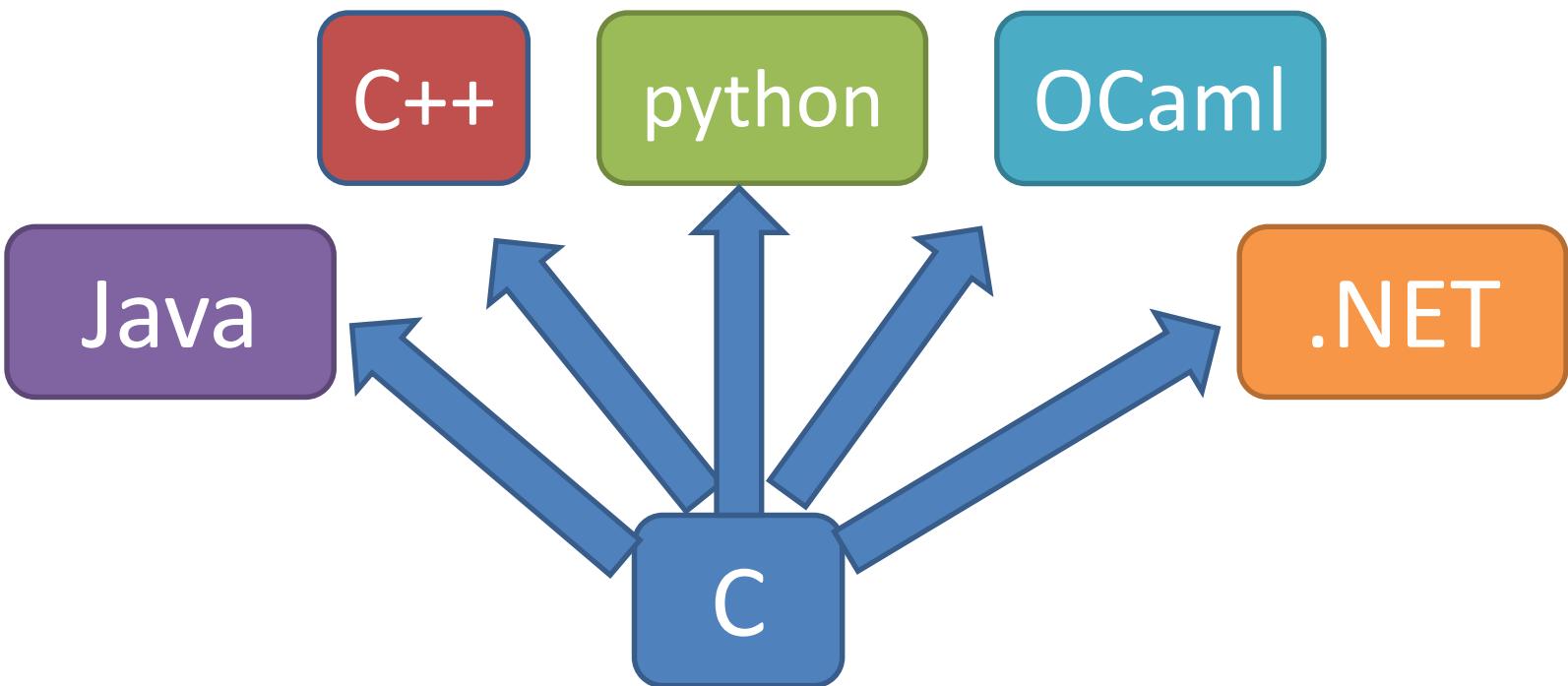
- (then t s)
- (par-then t s) applies **t** to the input goal and **s** to every subgoal produced by **t** in parallel.
- (or-else t s)
- (par-or t s) applies **t** and **s** in parallel until one of them succeed.
- (repeat t)
- (repeat t n)
- (try-for t ms)
- (using-params t params) Apply the given tactic using the given parameters.

Solvers

- Tactics take goals and reduce to sub-goals
- Solvers take tactics and serve as logical contexts.
 - push
 - add
 - check
 - model, core, proof
 - pop

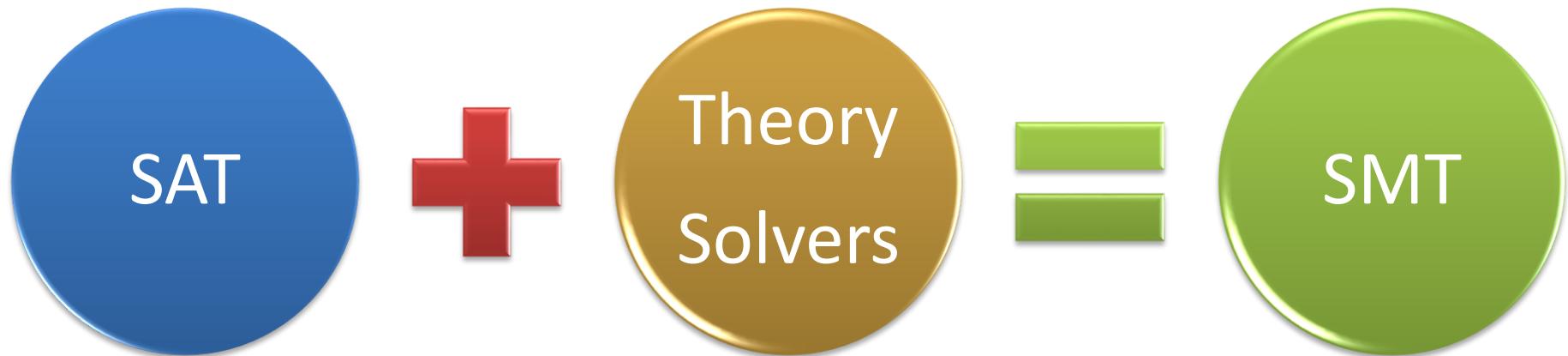
```
        bv_solver = Then(With('simplify', mul2concat=True),
                           'solve-eqs',
                           'bit-blast',
                           'aig',
                           'sat').solver()
        x, y = BitVecs('x y', 16)
        bv_solver.add(x*32 + y == 13, x & y < 10, y > -100)
        print bv_solver.check()
        m = bv_solver.model()
        print m
        print x*32 + y, "==" , m.evaluate(x*32 + y)
        print x & y, "==" , m.evaluate(x & y)
```

APIS



SMT SOLVING

SMT : Basic Architecture

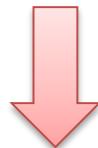


- Equality + UF
- Arithmetic
- Bit-vectors
- ...

SAT + Theory solvers

Basic Idea

$$x \geq 0, y = x + 1, (y > 2 \vee y < 1)$$



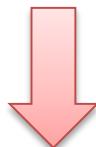
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$$\begin{aligned} p_1, \quad p_2, \quad (p_3 \vee p_4) \quad & p_1 \equiv (x \geq 0), \quad p_2 \equiv (y = x + 1), \\ & p_3 \equiv (y > 2), \quad p_4 \equiv (y < 1) \end{aligned}$$

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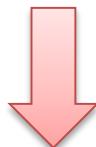
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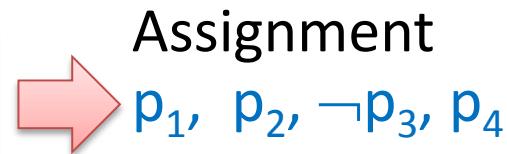
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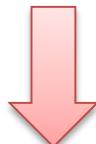


$$\begin{aligned} x &\geq 0, y = x + 1, \\ \neg(y &> 2), y < 1 \end{aligned}$$

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Theory
Solver



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New Lemma

Unsatisfiable

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Theory
Solver

SAT + Theory solvers

New Lemma
 $\neg p_1 \vee \neg p_2 \vee \neg p_4$

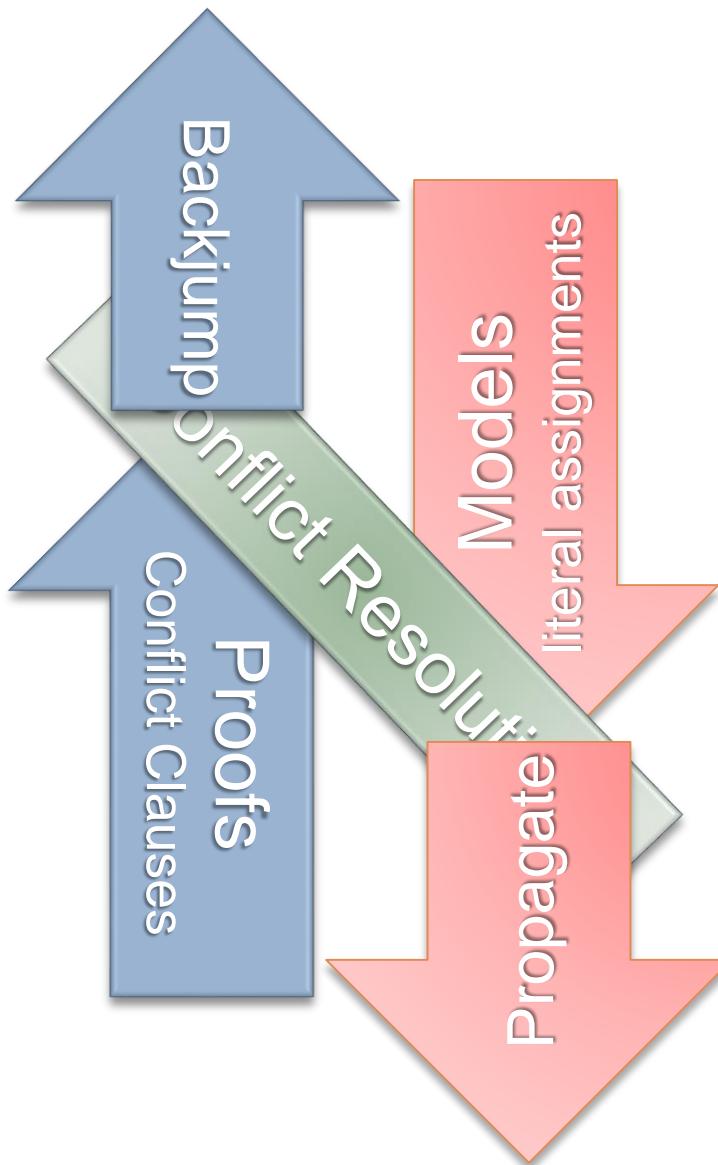
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Theory
Solver

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Theory conflict

SAT/SMT SOLVING USING DPLL(τ)/CDCL

Mile High: Modern SAT/SMT search



Core Engine in Z3: Modern DPLL/CDCL

Initialize

$$\epsilon \mid F$$

F is a set of clauses

Decide

$$M \mid F \Rightarrow M, \ell \mid F$$

ℓ is unassigned

Model

Propagate

$$M \mid F, C \vee \ell \Rightarrow M, \ell^{C \vee \ell} \mid F, C \vee \ell$$

C is false under M

Sat

$$M \mid F \Rightarrow M$$

F true under M

Conflict

$$M \mid F, C \Rightarrow M \mid F, C \mid C$$

C is false under M

Proof

Learn

$$M \mid F \mid C \Rightarrow M \mid F, C \mid C$$

Unsat

$$M \mid F \mid \emptyset \Rightarrow \text{Unsat}$$

Conflict
Resolution

Backjump

$$MM' \mid F \mid C \vee \ell \Rightarrow M\ell^{C \vee \ell} \mid F$$

$\bar{C} \subseteq M, \neg \ell \in M'$

Resolve

$$M \mid F \mid C' \vee \neg \ell \Rightarrow M \mid F \mid C' \vee C$$

$\ell^{C \vee \ell} \in M$

Forget

$$M \mid F, C \Rightarrow M \mid F$$

C is a learned clause

Restart

$$M \mid F \Rightarrow \epsilon \mid F$$

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DPLL(T) solver interaction

T- Propagate	$M \mid F, C \vee \ell \Rightarrow M, \ell^{C \vee \ell} \mid F, C \vee \ell$	C is false under $T + M$
T- Conflict	$M \mid F \Rightarrow M \mid F \mid \neg M'$	$M' \subseteq M$ and M' is false under T
T- Propagate	$a > b, b > c \mid F, a \leq c \vee b \leq d \Rightarrow$	
	$a > b, b > c, b \leq d^{a \leq c \vee b \leq d} \mid F, a \leq c \vee b \leq d$	
T- Conflict	$M \mid F \Rightarrow M \mid F, a \leq b \vee b \leq c \vee c < a$	
		where $a > b, b > c, a \leq c \subseteq M$

Summary

Z3 supports several theories

- Using a default combination
- Providing custom tactics for special combinations

Z3 is more than sat/unsat

- Models, proofs, unsat cores,
- simplification, quantifier elimination are tactics

Prototype with python/smt-lib2

- Implement using smt-lib2/programmatic API