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Better together: Unifying Datalog and Equality Saturation

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Problem: we want everything

In Term Rewriting with EqSat

- + Fast equational reasoning
- Poor analysis support

In Program Analysis with Datalog

- + Composable program analyses
- Quadratic equational reasoning

Can we build one system that subsumes both?

Yes! But How?!

To unify Datalog and EqSat, all you need are

- Functional dependency.
- Functional dependency repair.

Background

EqSat: term rewriting with e-graphs

Big data systems

- Tensor programs [MLSys '21, MAPS '21]
- Sparse linear algebra [VLDB '20]
- Recursive queries [SIGMOD '22]

Hardware

- DSP vectorization [ASPLOS '23]
- Datapath optimization [ASP-DAC '23]

Program optimization

- Imperative programs [POPL '09]
- Functional programs [EGRAPHS '22]
- Floating-point expression [PLDI '15]

Program synthesis

- CAD parametrization [PLDI '20]
- Rewrite rule synthesis [OOPSLA '21]



RisingLight
An Educational OLAP Database System

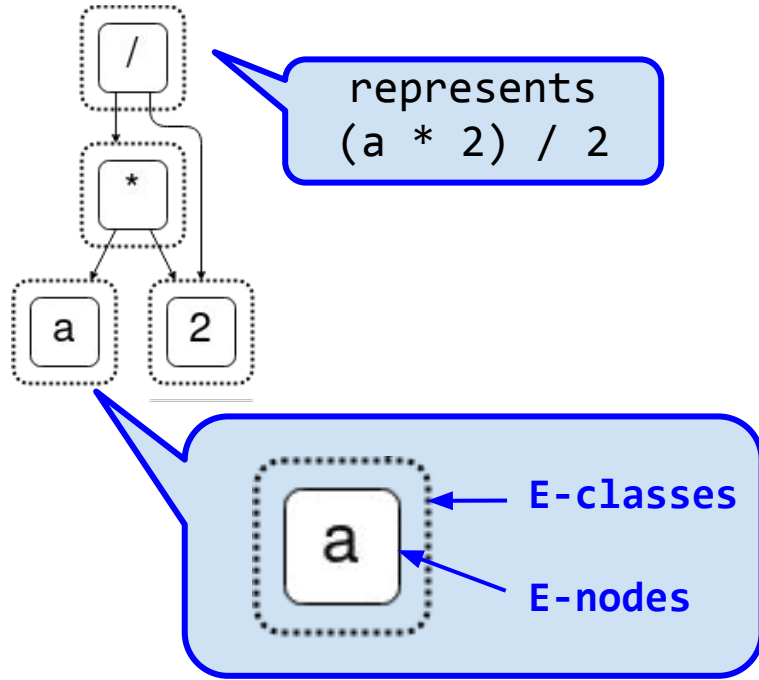


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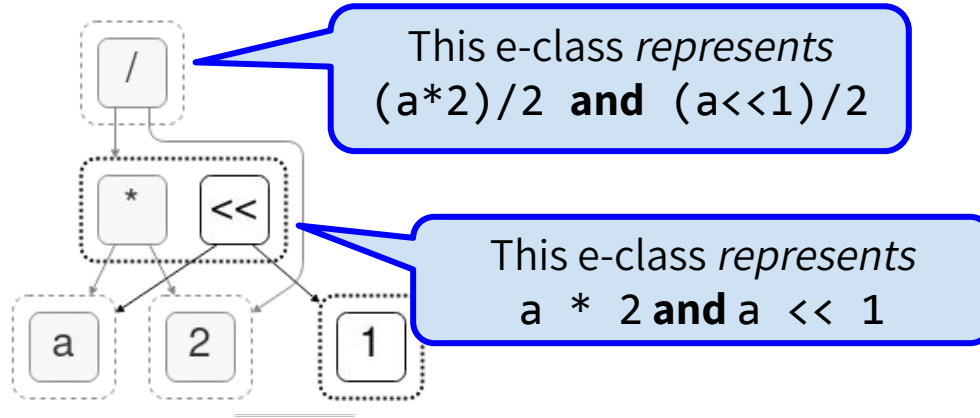
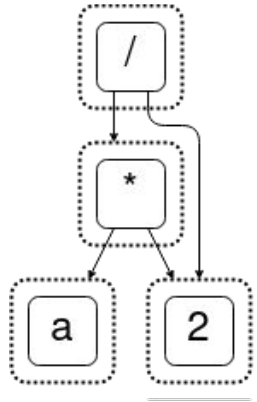


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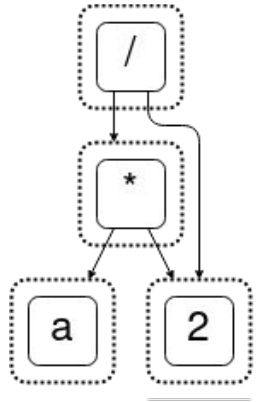


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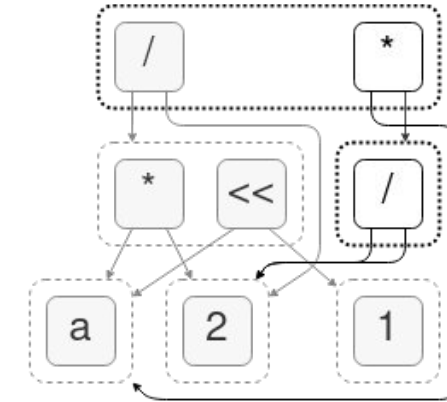
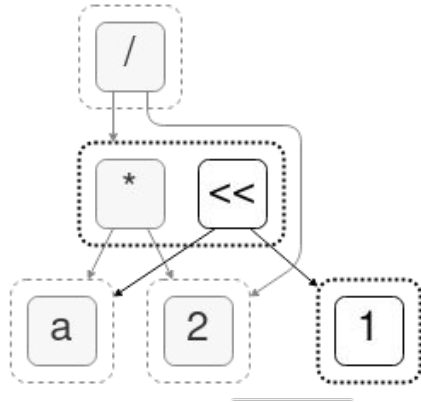


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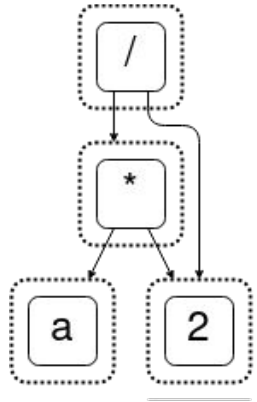


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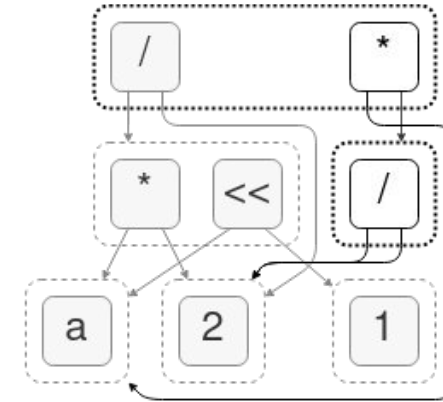
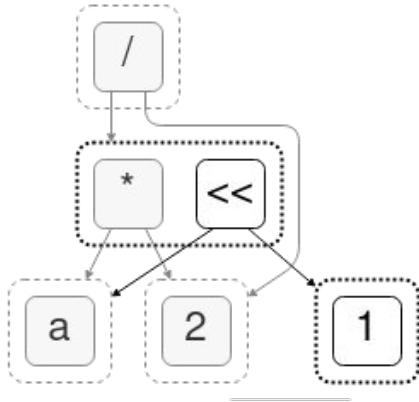


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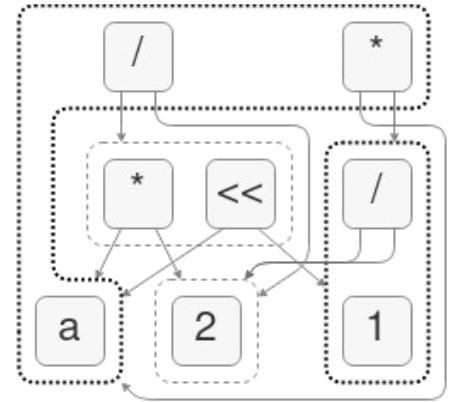
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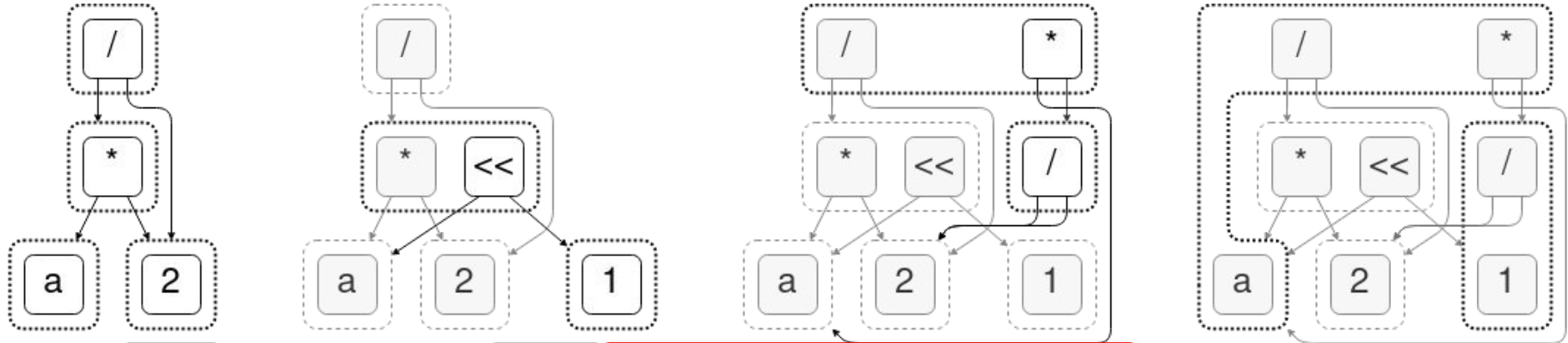


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x has to be non-zero!

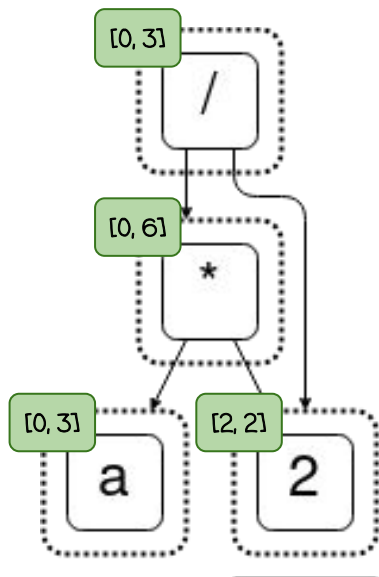
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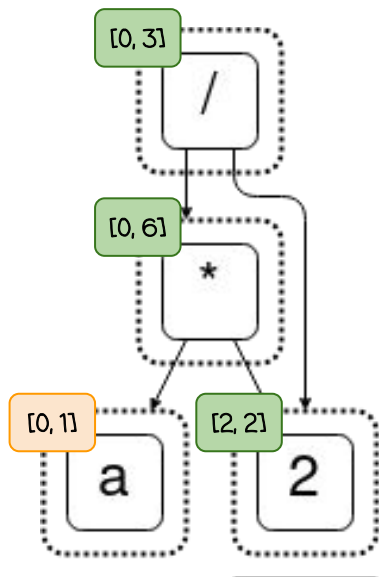
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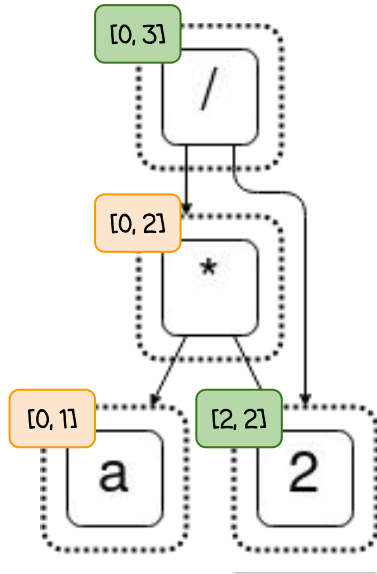
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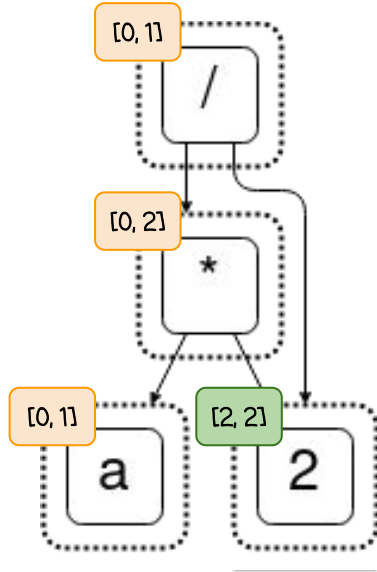
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E-class analysis has severe limitations:

- Only one analysis allowed.
- Facts only propagate from children to parents.
 - Type checking 😭
- Monolithic Rust implementation of one big analysis.
 - Not composable!

BUT: analyses are rules, too!

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Can we do EqSat in Datalog?

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f x

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We need to express in Datalog

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$(+ (+ x y) z) \rightarrow (+ x (+ y z))$

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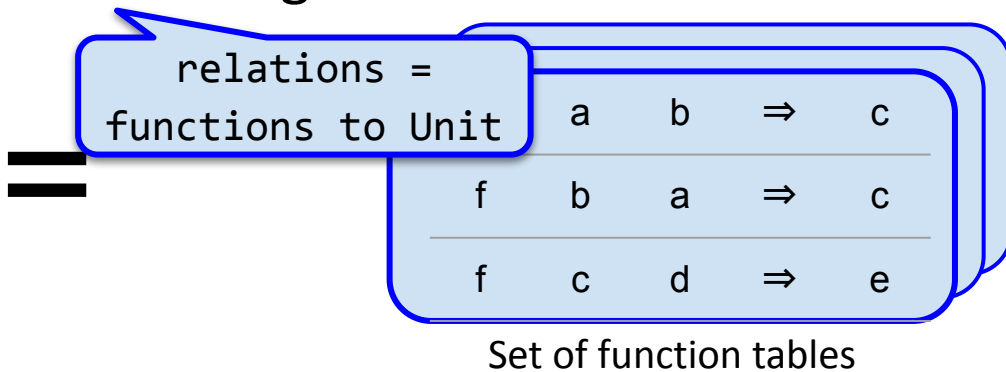
egglog: unifying Datalog and EqSat

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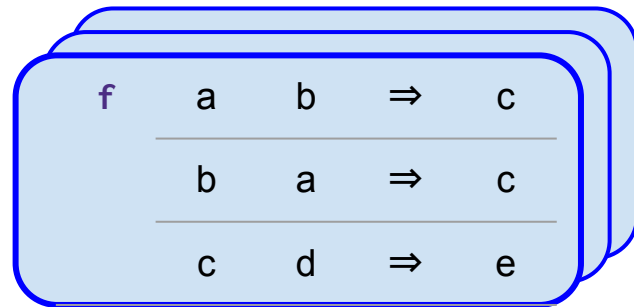
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A blue rounded rectangle containing a table with three rows. The first row is a header with 'f' in the first column and 'a', 'b', '⇒', 'c' in the others. The second and third rows are data rows with 'b', 'a', '⇒', 'c' and 'c', 'd', '⇒', 'e' respectively. The table is part of a stack of three identical tables, indicated by overlapping borders.

f	a	b	⇒	c
	b	a	⇒	c
	c	d	⇒	e

Set of function tables

Now we can talk about

- terms like $f(f(a, b), d)$ and
- equivalences like $f(a, b) = f(b, a)$

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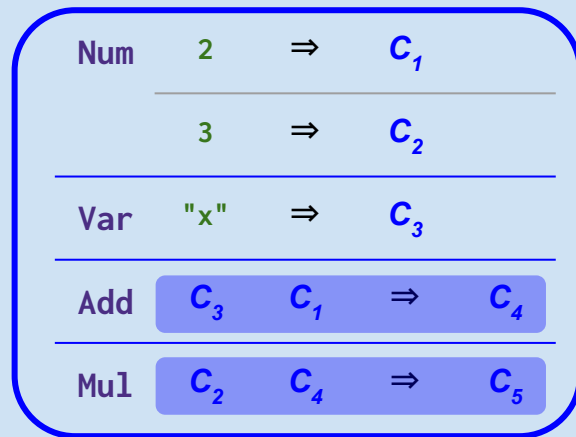
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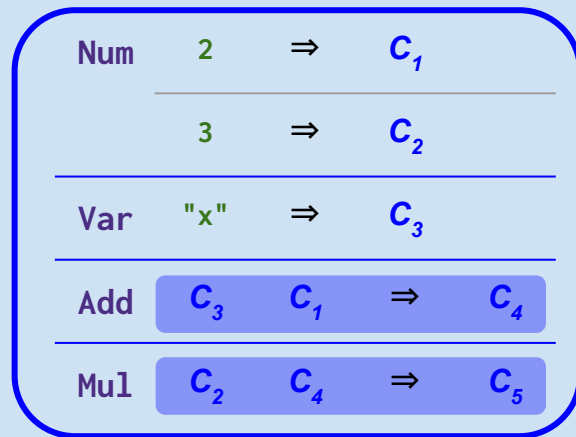


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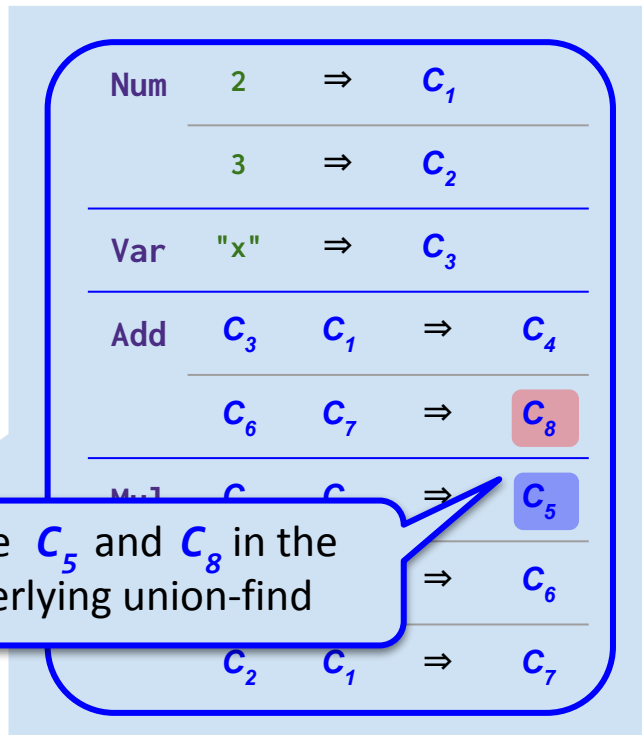
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(rewrite (Mul (Num x) (Num y)) (Num (* x y)))
```

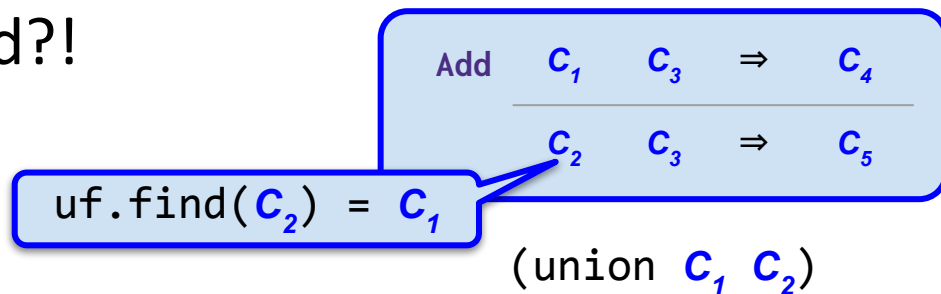
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	3	⇒	C_2
Var	"x"	⇒	C_3
Add	C_3 C_1	⇒	C_4
	C_6 C_7	⇒	C_5
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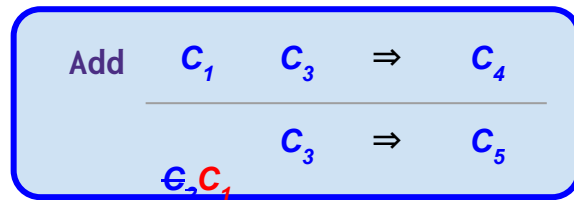
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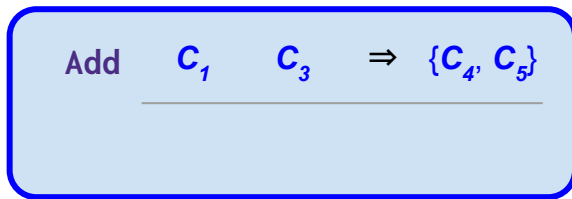
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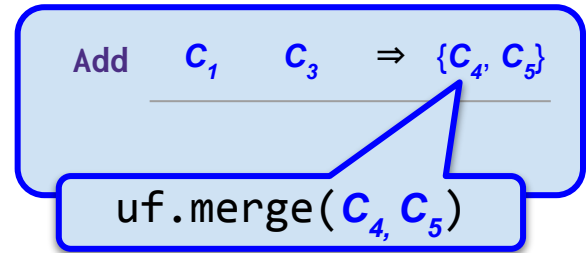
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A diagram illustrating a function call. It features a light blue rounded rectangle with a blue border. Inside, the word "Add" is in purple. To its right are two arguments, C_1 and C_3 , also in purple. A horizontal line is drawn below these arguments. To the right of the line is a purple arrow pointing to a set of values, $\{C_4, C_5\}$, in purple.

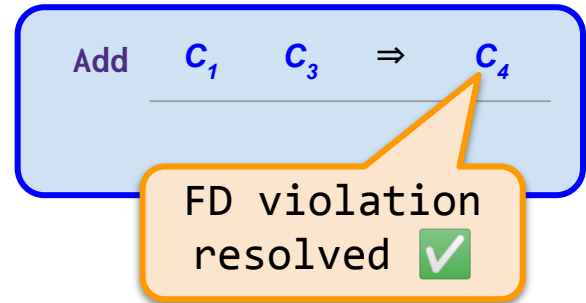
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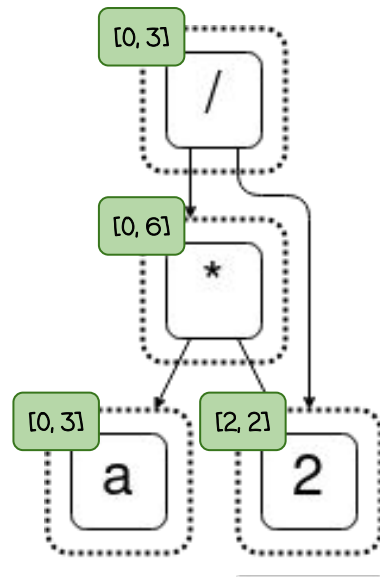


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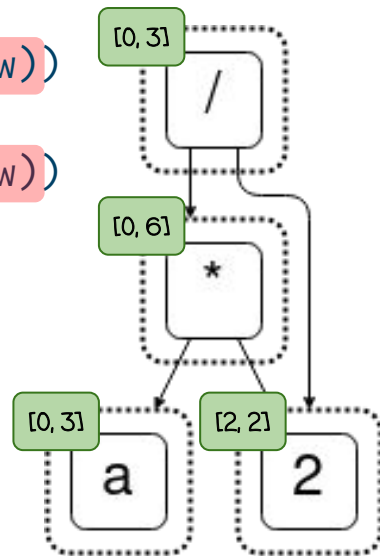


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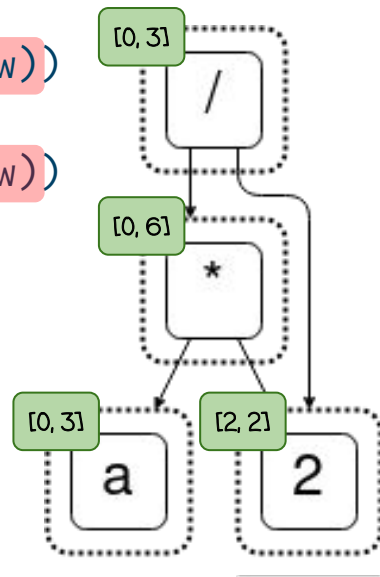
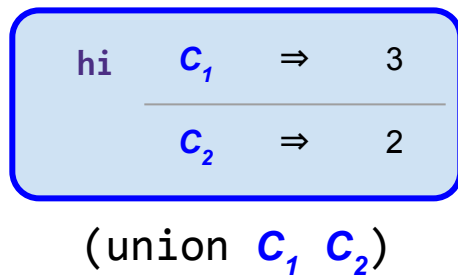


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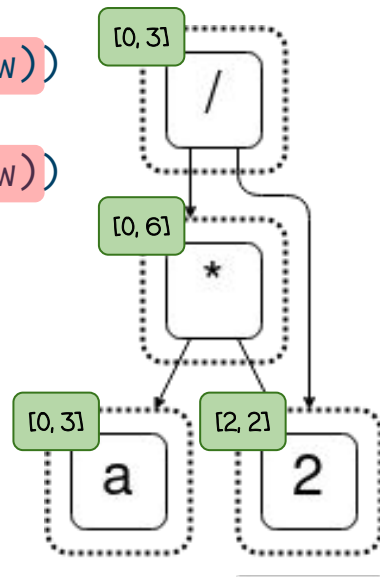
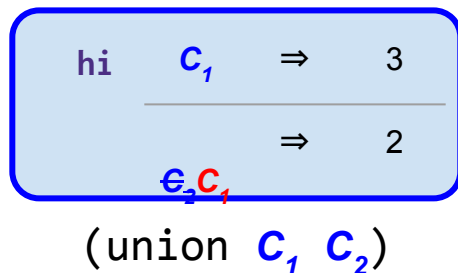


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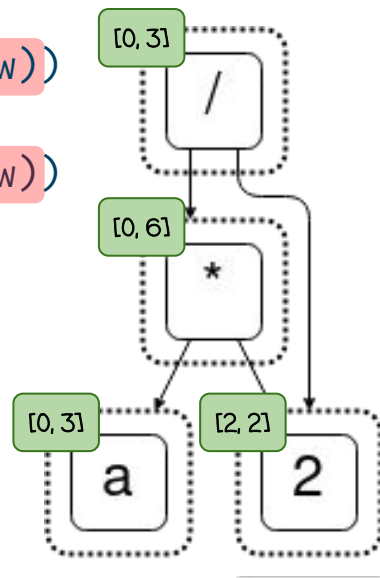
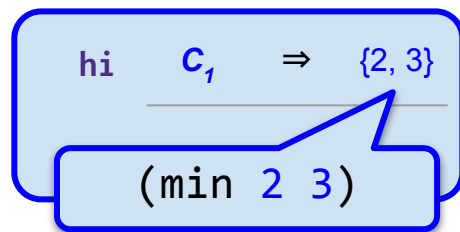


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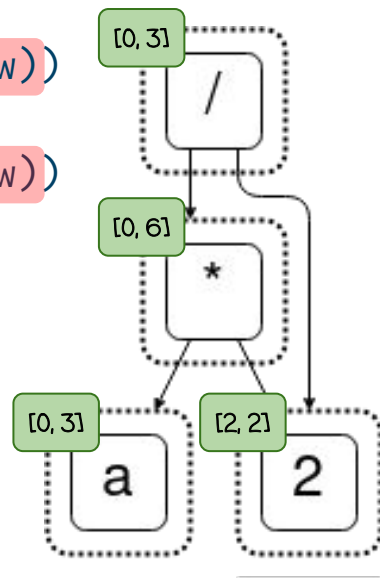
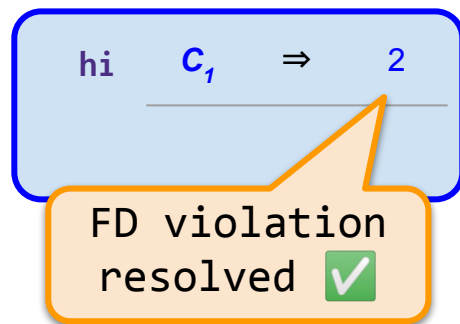


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Evaluation

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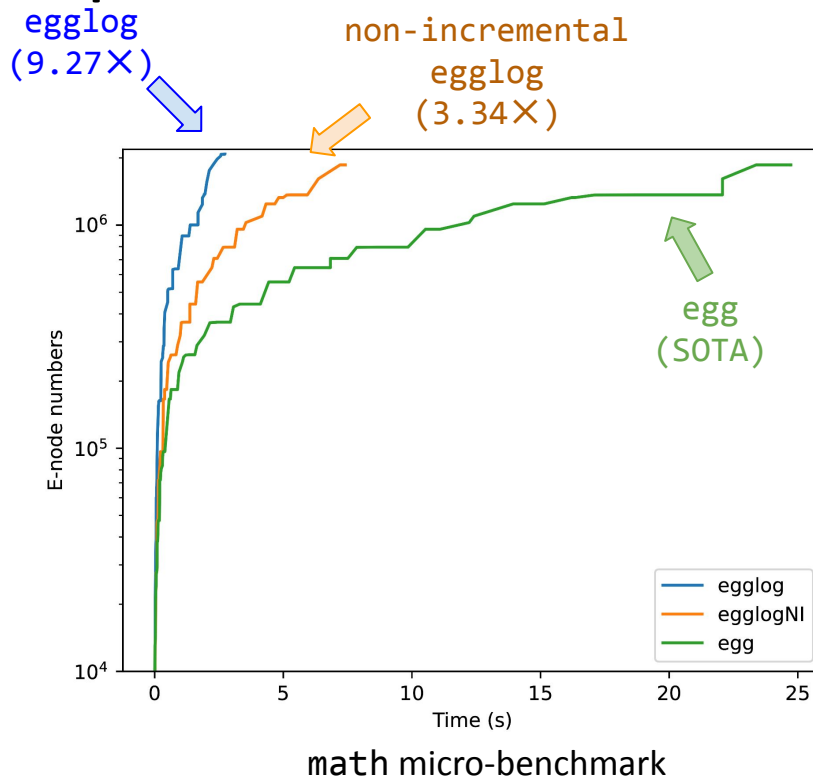
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Incrementalization

- Incremental EqSat is hard.
- We use the standard semi-naive evaluation of Datalog to make EqSat incremental for free.



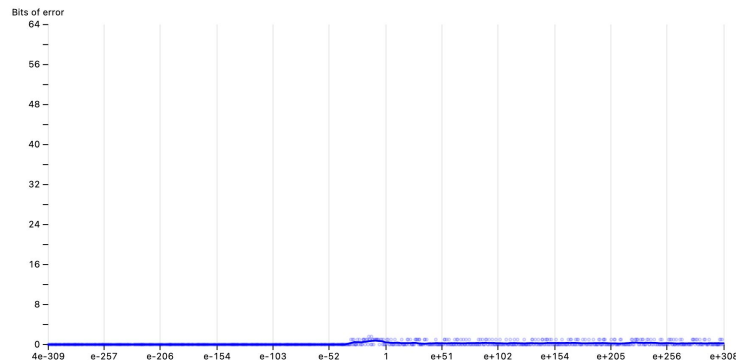
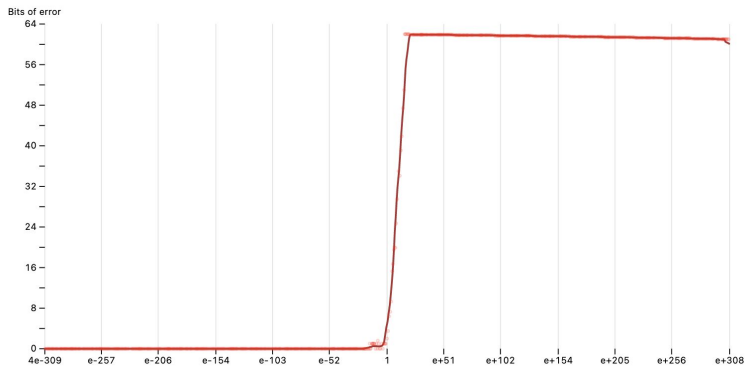
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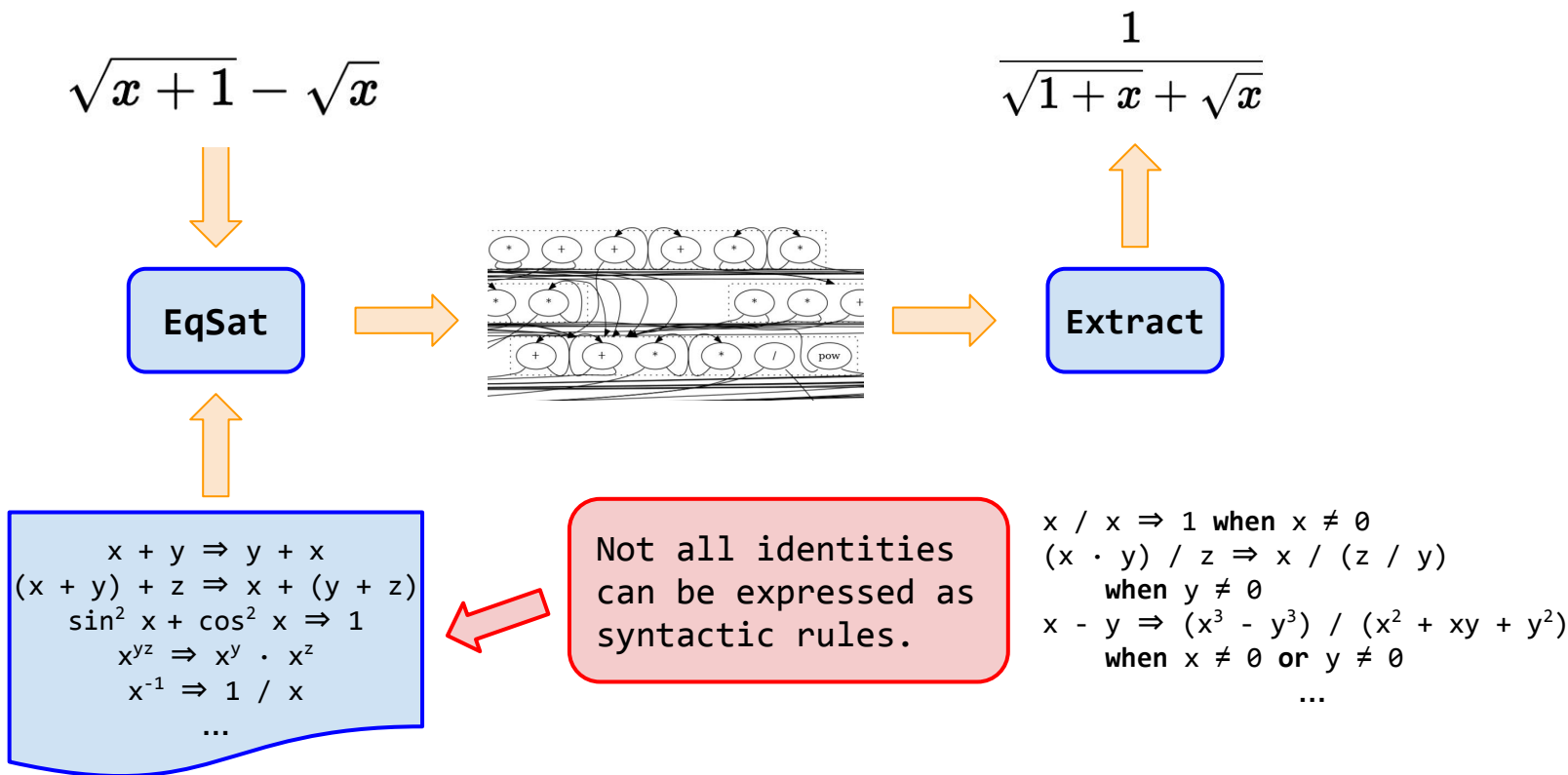


$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{x}}$$

less floating-point errors,
more accurate!



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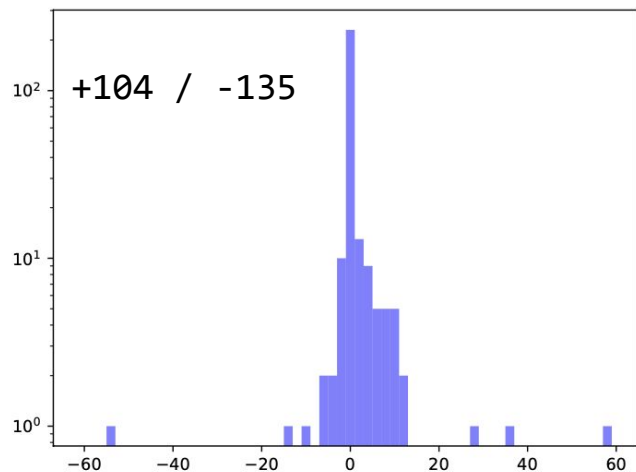
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When unsoundness is detected, Herbie has to discard the results and roll back 🥹

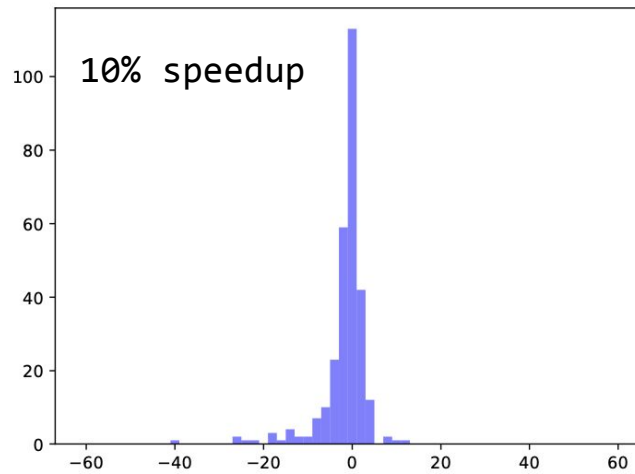
We make Herbie's rules sound with E-graph program analyses in egglog:

- Interval analysis
- Definability analysis

Results on Herbie's benchmark




Accuracy (“# bits”)



Time (s)

Results on Herbie's benchmark

Our reimplementation in egglog achieves a comparable accuracy and performance, but does not suffer from the soundness issue in original Herbie.

Herbie's design made simpler 

Bringing the power of unification to Datalog

Datalog is good at program reasoning tasks such as

- Pointer analyses.
- Type checking/inference

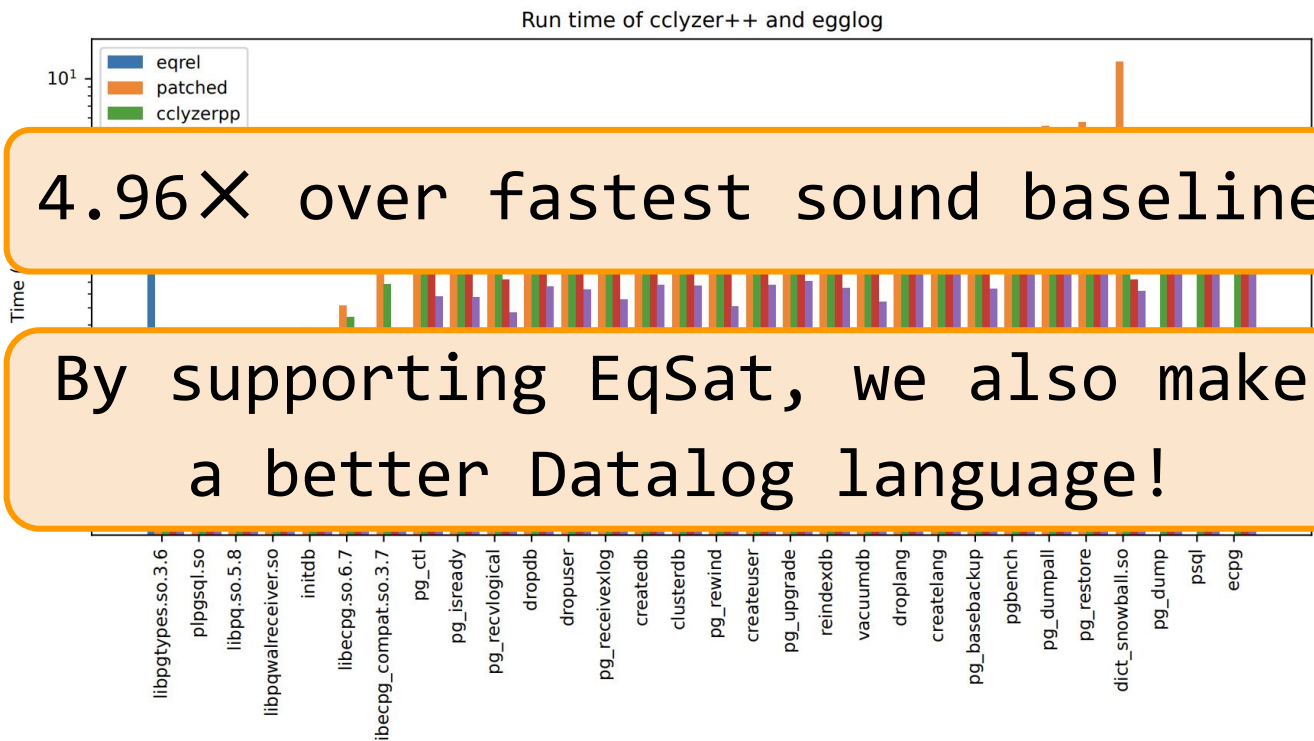
However, many advanced program reasoning tasks also require equivalence reasoning

- Steensgaard pointer analysis.
- Hindley-Milner type inference.

Datalog: 😞

egglog: 😊

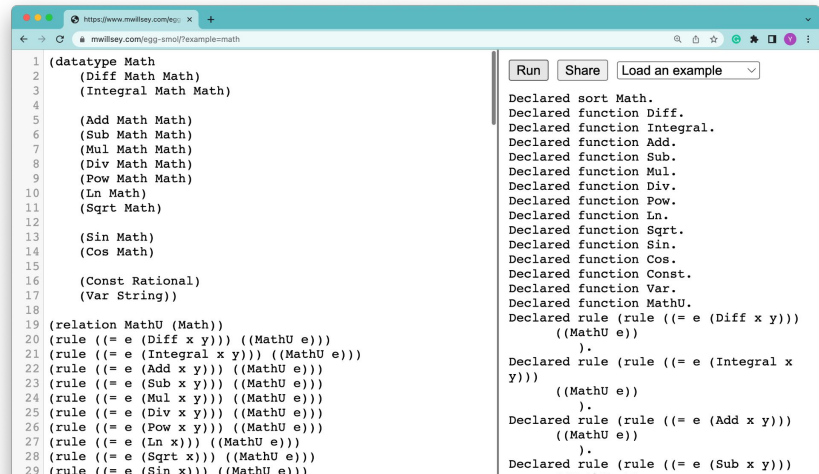
Steensgaard-style points-to analysis



egglog: Unifying Datalog and Equality Saturation

By unifying Datalog and EqSat, we get

- ✓ Fast equational reasoning *a la* EqSat.
- ✓ Rich composable analyses *a la* Datalog.
- ✓ Fast and incremental eval with DB magic.
- ✓ User-friendly language interface.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `https://www.mwillesey.com/egg-smol/?example=math`. The interface is split into two main sections. The left section is a code editor containing a Datalog-like language definition for a mathematical system. It starts with a `(datatype Math` block containing `(Diff Math Math)`, `(Integral Math Math)`, `(Add Math Math)`, `(Sub Math Math)`, `(Mul Math Math)`, `(Div Math Math)`, `(Pow Math Math)`, `(Ln Math)`, and `(Sqrt Math)`. This is followed by `(Sin Math)` and `(Cos Math)`, then a `(Const Rational)` block and a `(Var String))` block. The right section is a declaration pane with buttons for 'Run', 'Share', and 'Load an example'. It lists various declarations: `Declared sort Math.`, `Declared function Diff.`, `Declared function Integral.`, `Declared function Add.`, `Declared function Sub.`, `Declared function Mul.`, `Declared function Div.`, `Declared function Pow.`, `Declared function Ln.`, `Declared function Sqrt.`, `Declared function Sin.`, `Declared function Cos.`, `Declared function Const.`, `Declared function Var.`, `Declared function MathU.`, and several `Declared rule` statements for equality saturation, such as `Declared rule (rule ((= e (Diff x y))) ((MathU e)))`.

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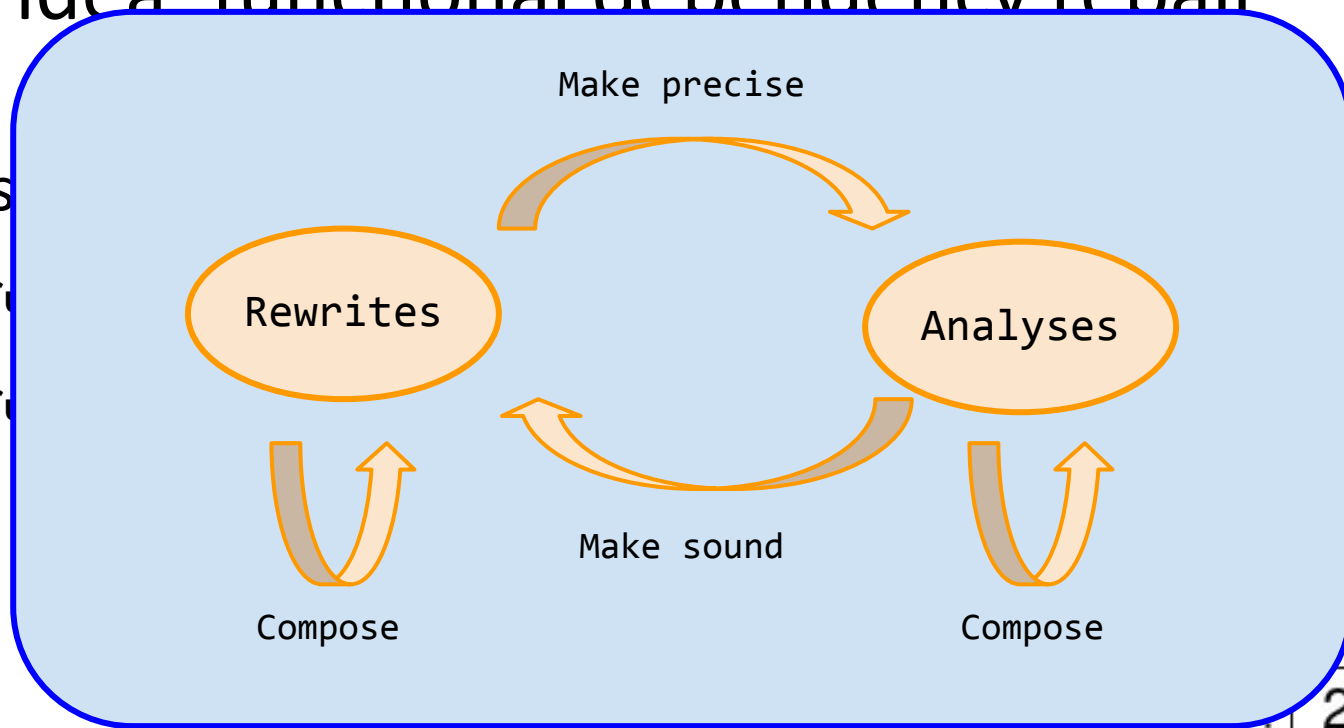
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Resolved

