

# Decision Procedures in Verification

Combinations of Decision Procedures (4)

30.1.2014

Viorica Sofronie-Stokkermans

e-mail: [sofronie@uni-koblenz.de](mailto:sofronie@uni-koblenz.de)

# Until now:

---

**Decidable subclasses of FOL**

**Decision procedures for single theories**

Uninterpreted function symbols

Decision procedures for numeric domains

**Combinations of theories**

The Nelson-Oppen combination procedure.

**Beyond the conjunctive fragment  $DPLL(\mathcal{T})$**

**Checking satisfiability of quantified formulae**

# Satisfiability of formulae with quantifiers

---

# Satisfiability of formulae with quantifiers

---

In many applications we are interested in testing the satisfiability of formulae containing (universally quantified) variables.

## Examples

- check satisfiability of formulae in the Bernays-Schönfinkel class
- check whether a set of (universally quantified) Horn clauses entails a ground clause
- check whether a property is consequence of a set of axioms

**Example 1:**  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is monotonely increasing and  $g : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is defined by  $g(x) = f(x + x)$  then  $g$  is also monotonely increasing

**Example 2:** If array  $a$  is increasingly sorted, and  $x$  is inserted before the first position  $i$  with  $a[i] > x$  then the array remains increasingly sorted.

# A theory of arrays

---

We consider the theory of arrays in a many-sorted setting.

## Syntax:

- Sorts: Elem (elements), Array (arrays) and Index (indices, here integers).
- Function symbols: read, write.

$$a(\text{read}) = \text{Array} \times \text{Index} \rightarrow \text{Element}$$

$$a(\text{write}) = \text{Array} \times \text{Index} \times \text{Element} \rightarrow \text{Array}$$

# Theories of arrays

---

We consider the theory of arrays in a many-sorted setting.

**Theory of arrays**  $\mathcal{T}_{arrays}$ :

- $\mathcal{T}_i$  (theory of indices): Presburger arithmetic
- $\mathcal{T}_e$  (theory of elements): arbitrary
- Axioms for read, write

$$\begin{aligned} & read(write(a, i, e), i) \approx e \\ & j \neq i \vee read(write(a, i, e), j) = read(a, j). \end{aligned}$$

# Theories of arrays

---

We consider the theory of arrays in a many-sorted setting.

**Theory of arrays**  $\mathcal{T}_{arrays}$ :

- $\mathcal{T}_i$  (theory of indices): Presburger arithmetic
- $\mathcal{T}_e$  (theory of elements): arbitrary
- Axioms for read, write

$$\begin{aligned} read(write(a, i, e), i) &\approx e \\ j \neq i \vee read(write(a, i, e), j) &= read(a, j). \end{aligned}$$

**Fact:** Undecidable in general.

**Goal:** Identify a fragment of the theory of arrays which is decidable.

# A decidable fragment

---

- **Index guard** a positive Boolean combination of atoms of the form  $t \leq u$  or  $t = u$  where  $t$  and  $u$  are either a variable or a ground term of sort Index

**Example:**  $(x \leq 3 \vee x \approx y) \wedge y \leq z$  is an index guard

**Example:**  $x + 1 \leq c$ ,  $x + 3 \leq y$ ,  $x + x \leq 2$  are not index guards.

- **Array property formula** [Bradley, Manna, Sipma'06]

$(\forall i)(\varphi_I(i) \rightarrow \varphi_V(i))$ , where:

$\varphi_I$ : index guard

$\varphi_V$ : formula in which any universally quantified  $i$  occurs in a direct array read; no nestings

**Example:**  $c \leq x \leq y \leq d \rightarrow a(x) \leq a(y)$  is an array property formula

**Example:**  $x < y \rightarrow a(x) < a(y)$  is not an array property formula



# Decision Procedure

---

(Rules should be read from top to bottom)

**Step 1:** Put  $F$  in NNF.

**Step 2:** Apply the following rule exhaustively to remove writes:

$$\frac{F[\textit{write}(a, i, v)]}{F[a'] \wedge a'[i] = v \wedge (\forall j. j \neq i \rightarrow a[j] = a'[j])} \quad \text{for fresh } a' \text{ (write)}$$

Given a formula  $F$  containing an occurrence of a write term  $\textit{write}(a, i, v)$ , we can substitute every occurrence of  $\textit{write}(a, i, v)$  with a fresh variable  $a'$  and explain the relationship between  $a'$  and  $a$ .

# Decision Procedure

---

**Step 3** Apply the following rule exhaustively to remove existential quantification:

$$\frac{F[\exists i. G[i]]}{F[G[j]]} \text{ for fresh } j \text{ (exists)}$$

Existential quantification can arise during Step 1 if the given formula contains a negated array property.

# Decision Procedure

---

**Steps 4-6** accomplish the reduction of universal quantification to finite conjunction.

The main idea is to select a set of symbolic index terms on which to instantiate all universal quantifiers.

# Theories of arrays

---

**Step 4** From the output F3 of [Step 3](#), construct the index set  $\mathcal{I}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I} = & \{\lambda\} \cup \\ & \{t \mid \cdot[t] \in F3 \text{ such that } t \text{ is not a universally quantified variable}\} \cup \\ & \{t \mid t \text{ occurs as an } \textit{evar} \text{ in the parsing of index guards}\} \end{aligned}$$

(*evar* is any constant, ground term, or unquantified variable.)

This index set is the finite set of indices that need to be examined. It includes all terms  $t$  that occur in some  $\textit{read}(a, t)$  anywhere in  $F$  (unless it is a universally quantified variable) and all terms  $t$  that are compared to a universally quantified variable in some index guard.

$\lambda$  is a fresh constant that represents all other index positions that are not explicitly in  $\mathcal{I}$ .

# Theories of arrays

---

**Step 5** Apply the following rule exhaustively to remove universal quantification:

$$\frac{H[\forall \bar{i}. F[\bar{i}] \rightarrow G[\bar{i}]]}{H \left[ \bigwedge_{\bar{i} \in \mathcal{I}^n} (F[\bar{i}] \rightarrow G[\bar{i}]) \right]} \quad (\text{forall})$$

where  $n$  is the size of the list of quantified variables  $\bar{i}$ .

This is the key step.

It replaces universal quantification with finite conjunction over the index set. The notation  $\bar{i} \in \mathcal{I}^n$  means that the variables  $\bar{i}$  range over all  $n$ -tuples of terms in  $\mathcal{I}$ .

# Theories of arrays

---

**Step 6:** From the output  $F5$  of [Step 5](#), construct

$$F6 : \quad F5 \wedge \bigwedge_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \{\lambda\}} \lambda \neq i$$

The new conjuncts assert that the variable  $\lambda$  introduced in [Step 4](#) is unique: it does not equal any other index mentioned in  $F5$ .

**Step 7:** Decide the TA-satisfiability of  $F6$  using the decision procedure for the quantifier free fragment.

# Soundness and Completeness

---

**Theorem** (Soundness and Completeness)

Consider a formula  $F$  from the array property fragment . The output  $F_6$  of Step 6 is  $T_{arrays}$ -equisatisfiable to  $F$ .

**Proof**

(**Soundness**) Step 1-6 preserve satisfiability

( $F_i$  is a logical consequence of  $F_{i-1}$ ).

# Soundness and Completeness

---

## Theorem (Soundness and Completeness)

Consider a formula  $F$  from the array property fragment . The output  $F_6$  of Step 6 is  $T_{arrays}$ -equisatisfiable to  $F$ .

## Proof (Completeness)

**Step 6:** From the output  $F_5$  of Step 5, construct

$$F_6 : F_5 \wedge \bigwedge_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \{\lambda\}} \lambda \neq i$$

Assume that  $F_6$  is satisfiable. Clearly  $F_5$  has a model.



# Soundness and Completeness

---

## Theorem (Soundness and Completeness)

Consider a formula  $F$  from the array property fragment . The output  $F6$  of Step 6 is  $T_{arrays}$ -equisatisfiable to  $F$ .

## Proof (Completeness)

**Step 5** Apply the following rule exhaustively to remove universal quantification:

$$\frac{H[\forall \bar{i}. F[\bar{i}] \rightarrow G[\bar{i}]]}{H \left[ \bigwedge_{\bar{i} \in \mathcal{I}^n} (F[\bar{i}] \rightarrow G[\bar{i}]) \right]} \quad (\text{forall})$$

Assume that  $F5$  is satisfiable. Let  $\mathcal{A} = (\mathbb{Z}, \text{Elem}, \{a_A\}_{a \in \text{Arrays}}, \dots)$  be a model for  $F5$ . Construct a model  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $F4$  as follows.

For  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ :  $l(x)$  ( $u(x)$ ) closest left (right) neighbor of  $x$  in  $\mathcal{I}$ .

$$a_{\mathcal{B}}(x) = \begin{cases} a_{\mathcal{A}}(l(x)) & \text{if } x - l(x) \leq u(x) - x \text{ or } u(x) = \infty \\ a_{\mathcal{A}}(u(x)) & \text{if } x - l(x) > u(x) - x \text{ or } l(x) = -\infty \end{cases}$$

# Soundness and Completeness

---

**Theorem** (Soundness and Completeness)

Consider a formula  $F$  from the array property fragment . The output  $F_6$  of Step 6 is  $T_{arrays}$ -equisatisfiable to  $F$ .

**Proof** (Completeness)

**Step 3** Apply the following rule exhaustively to remove existential quantification:

$$\frac{F[\exists i. G[i]]}{F[G[j]]} \text{ for fresh } j \text{ (exists)}$$

If  $F_3$  has model then  $F_2$  has model

# Soundness and Completeness

---

## Theorem (Soundness and Completeness)

Consider a formula  $F$  from the array property fragment . The output  $F_6$  of Step 6 is  $T_{arrays}$ -equisatisfiable to  $F$ .

## Proof (Completeness)

**Step 2:** Apply the following rule exhaustively to remove writes:

$$\frac{F[\text{write}(a, i, v)]}{F[a'] \wedge a'[i] = v \wedge (\forall j. j \neq i \rightarrow a[j] = a'[j])} \quad \text{for fresh } a' \text{ (write)}$$

Given a formula  $F$  containing an occurrence of a write term  $\text{write}(a, i, v)$ , we can substitute every occurrence of  $\text{write}(a, i, v)$  with a fresh variable  $a'$  and explain the relationship between  $a'$  and  $a$ .

If  $F_2$  has a model then  $F_1$  has a model.

**Step 1:** Put  $F$  in NNF: NNF  $F_1$  is equivalent to  $F$ .

# Theories of arrays

---

**Theorem** (Complexity) Suppose  $(T_{index} \cup T_{elem})$ -satisfiability is in NP. For sub-fragments of the array property fragment in which formulae have bounded-size blocks of quantifiers,  $T_{arrays}$ -satisfiability is NP-complete.

**Proof** NP-hardness is clear.

That the problem is in NP follows easily from the procedure: instantiating a block of  $n$  universal quantifiers quantifying subformula  $G$  over index set  $I$  produces  $|I| \cdot n$  new subformulae, each of length polynomial in the length of  $G$ . Hence, the output of Step 6 is of length only a polynomial factor greater than the input to the procedure for fixed  $n$ .

# Program verification

---

**Example:** Does BUBBLESORT return a sorted array?

```
int [] BUBBLESORT(int[] a) {
  int i, j, t;
  for (i := |a| - 1; i > 0; i := i - 1) {
    for (j := 0; j < i; j := j + 1) {
      if (a[j] > a[j + 1]) { t := a[j];
                                a[j] := a[j + 1];
                                a[j + 1] := t};
    }
  } return a}
```

# Program Verification

$-1 \leq i < |a| \wedge$   
 $\text{partitioned}(a, 0, i, i + 1, |a| - 1) \wedge$   
 $\text{sorted}(a, i, |a| - 1)$

$-1 \leq i < |a| \wedge 0 \leq j \leq i \wedge$   
 $\text{partitioned}(a, 0, i, i + 1, |a| - 1) \wedge$   
 $\text{sorted}(a, i, |a| - 1)$   
 $\text{partitioned}(a, 0, j - 1, j, j) \quad C_2$

**Example:** Does BUBBLESORT return a sorted array?

```
int [] BUBBLESORT(int[] a) {
  int i, j, t;
  for (i := |a| - 1; i > 0; i := i - 1) {
    for (j := 0; j < i; j := j + 1) {
      if (a[j] > a[j + 1]) { t := a[j];
                            a[j] := a[j + 1];
                            a[j + 1] := t};
    }
  } return a}
```

Generate verification conditions and prove that they are valid

Predicates:

- $\text{sorted}(a, l, u): \quad \forall i, j (l \leq i \leq j \leq u \rightarrow a[i] \leq a[j])$
- $\text{partitioned}(a, l_1, u_1, l_2, u_2): \quad \forall i, j (l_1 \leq i \leq u_1 \leq l_2 \leq j \leq u_2 \rightarrow a[i] \leq a[j])$

# Program Verification

$-1 \leq i < |a| \wedge$   
 $\text{partitioned}(a, 0, i, i + 1, |a| - 1) \wedge$   
 $\text{sorted}(a, i, |a| - 1)$

$-1 \leq i < |a| \wedge 0 \leq j \leq i \wedge$   
 $\text{partitioned}(a, 0, i, i + 1, |a| - 1) \wedge$   
 $\text{sorted}(a, i, |a| - 1)$   
 $\text{partitioned}(a, 0, j - 1, j, j) \quad C_2$

**Example:** Does BUBBLESORT return a sorted array?

```
int [] BUBBLESORT(int[] a) {
  int i, j, t;
  for (i := |a| - 1; i > 0; i := i - 1) {
    for (j := 0; j < i; j := j + 1) {
      if (a[j] > a[j + 1]) { t := a[j];
                            a[j] := a[j + 1];
                            a[j + 1] := t};
    }
  } return a}
```

Generate verification conditions and prove that they are valid

Predicates:

- $\text{sorted}(a, l, u): \quad \forall i, j (l \leq i \leq j \leq u \rightarrow a[i] \leq a[j])$
- $\text{partitioned}(a, l_1, u_1, l_2, u_2): \quad \forall i, j (l_1 \leq i \leq u_1 \leq l_2 \leq j \leq u_2 \rightarrow a[i] \leq a[j])$

**To prove:**  $C_2(a) \wedge \text{Update}(a, a') \rightarrow C_2(a')$

# Another Situation

---

## Insertion of an element $c$ in a sorted array $a$ of length $n$

```
for ( $i := 1; i \leq n; i := i + 1$ ) {  
    if  $a[i] \geq c$  {  $n := n + 1$   
        for ( $j := n; j > i; j := j - 1$ ) {  $a[j] := a[j - 1]$  }  
         $a[i] := c$ ; return  $a$   
    }  
}  $a[n + 1] := c$ ; return  $a$ 
```

### Task:

If the array was sorted before insertion it is sorted also after insertion.

$\text{Sorted}(a, n) \wedge \text{Update}(a, n, a', n') \wedge \neg \text{Sorted}(a', n') \models_{\mathcal{T}} \perp?$



# Another Situation

---

## Task:

If the array was sorted before insertion it is sorted also after insertion.

$\text{Sorted}(a, n) \wedge \text{Update}(a, n, a', n') \wedge \neg \text{Sorted}(a', n') \models_{\mathcal{T}} \perp?$

$\text{Sorted}(a, n) \quad \forall i, j (1 \leq i \leq j \leq n \rightarrow a[i] \leq a[j])$

$\text{Update}(a, n, a', n') \quad \forall i ((1 \leq i \leq n \wedge a[i] < c) \rightarrow a'[i] = a[i])$

$\forall i ((c \leq a[1] \rightarrow a'[1] := c)$

$\forall i ((a[n] < c \rightarrow a'[n+1] := c)$

$\forall i ((1 \leq i-1 \leq i \leq n \wedge a[i-1] < c \wedge a[i] \geq c) \rightarrow (a'[i] = c)$

$\forall i ((1 \leq i-1 \leq i \leq n \wedge a[i-1] \geq c \wedge a[i] \geq c \rightarrow a'[i] := a[i-1])$

$n' := n + 1$

$\neg \text{Sorted}(a', n') \quad \exists k, l (1 \leq k \leq l \leq n' \wedge a[k] > a[l])$

# Beyond the array property fragment

---

**Extension:** New arrays defined by case distinction –  $\text{Def}(f')$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall \bar{x}(\phi_i(\bar{x}) \rightarrow f'(\bar{x}) = s_i(\bar{x})) & \quad i \in I, \text{ where } \phi_i(\bar{x}) \wedge \phi_j(\bar{x}) \models_{\mathcal{T}_0} \perp \text{ for } i \neq j \text{ (1)} \\ \forall \bar{x}(\phi_i(\bar{x}) \rightarrow t_i(\bar{x}) \leq f'(\bar{x}) \leq s_i(\bar{x})) & \quad i \in I, \text{ where } \phi_i(\bar{x}) \wedge \phi_j(\bar{x}) \models_{\mathcal{T}_0} \perp \text{ for } i \neq j \text{ (2)} \end{aligned}$$

where  $s_i, t_i$  are terms over the signature  $\Sigma$  such that  $\mathcal{T}_0 \models \forall \bar{x}(\phi_i(\bar{x}) \rightarrow t_i(\bar{x}) \leq s_i(\bar{x}))$  for all  $i \in I$ .

$\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \wedge \text{Def}(f')$  has the property that for every set  $G$  of ground clauses in which there are no nested applications of  $f'$ :

$$\mathcal{T}_0 \wedge \text{Def}(f') \wedge G \models \perp \quad \text{iff} \quad \mathcal{T}_0 \wedge \text{Def}(f')[G] \wedge G$$

(sufficient to use instances of axioms in  $\text{Def}(f')$  which are relevant for  $G$ )

- Some of the syntactic restrictions of the array property fragment can be lifted

# Pointer Structures

---

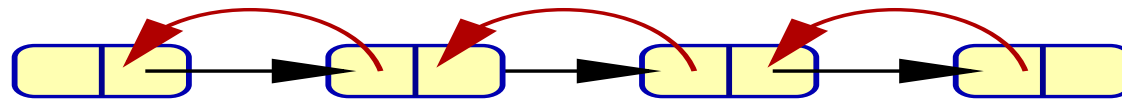
# Pointer Structures

[McPeak, Necula 2005]

- pointer sort  $p$ , scalar sort  $s$ ; pointer fields ( $p \rightarrow p$ ); scalar fields ( $p \rightarrow s$ );
- axioms:  $\forall p \ \mathcal{E} \vee \mathcal{C}$ ;  $\mathcal{E}$  contains **disjunctions of pointer equalities**  
 $\mathcal{C}$  contains **scalar constraints**

**Assumption:** If  $f_1(f_2(\dots f_n(p)))$  occurs in axiom, the axiom also contains:  
 $p = \text{null} \vee f_n(p) = \text{null} \vee \dots \vee f_2(\dots f_n(p)) = \text{null}$

**Example:** doubly-linked lists; ordered elements



$$\forall p (p \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow p.\text{next}.\text{prev} = p)$$

$$\forall p (p \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{prev} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow p.\text{prev}.\text{next} = p)$$

$$\forall p (p \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow p.\text{info} \leq p.\text{next}.\text{info})$$

# Pointer Structures

---

[McPeak, Necula 2005]

- pointer sort  $p$ , scalar sort  $s$ ; pointer fields ( $p \rightarrow p$ ); scalar fields ( $p \rightarrow s$ );
- axioms:  $\forall p \ \mathcal{E} \vee \mathcal{C}$ ;  $\mathcal{E}$  contains **disjunctions of pointer equalities**  
 $\mathcal{C}$  contains **scalar constraints**

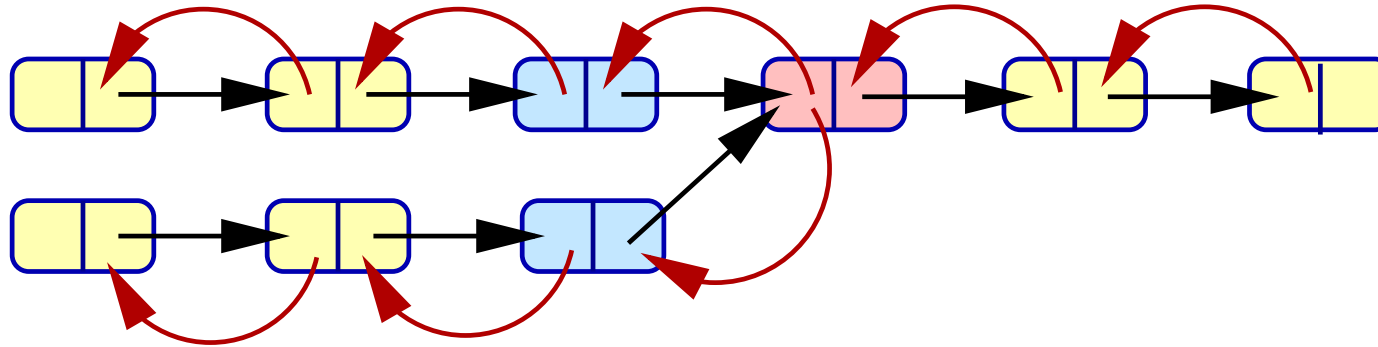
**Assumption:** If  $f_1(f_2(\dots(f_n(p))))$  occurs in axiom, the axiom also contains:  
 $p = \text{null} \vee f_n(p) = \text{null} \vee \dots \vee f_2(\dots f_n(p)) = \text{null}$

**Theorem.**  $K$  set of clauses in the fragment above. Then for every set  $G$  of ground clauses,  $(K \cup G) \cup \mathcal{T}_s \models \perp$  iff  $K^{[G]} \cup \mathcal{T}_s \models \perp$

where  $K^{[G]}$  is the set of instances of  $K$  in which the variables are replaced by subterms in  $G$ .

# Example: A theory of doubly-linked lists

---



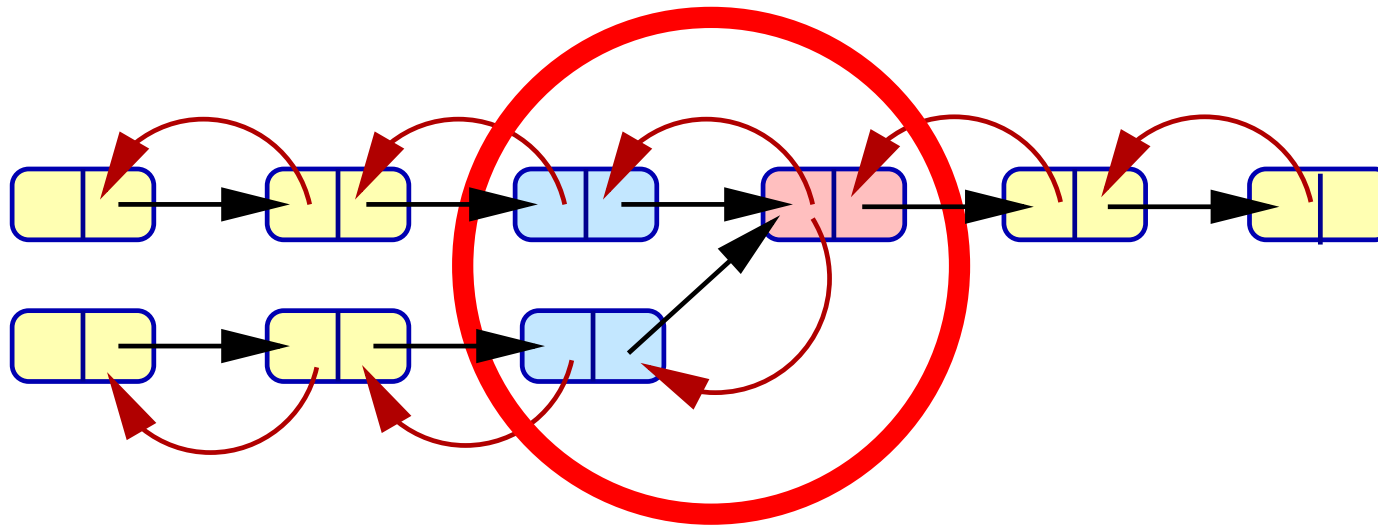
$$\forall p (p \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow p.\text{next}.\text{prev} = p)$$

$$\forall p (p \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{prev} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow p.\text{prev}.\text{next} = p)$$

$$\wedge c \neq \text{null} \wedge c.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge d \neq \text{null} \wedge d.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge c.\text{next} = d.\text{next} \wedge c \neq d \models \perp$$

# Example: A theory of doubly-linked lists

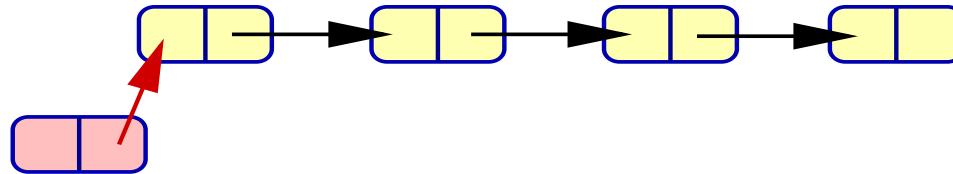
---



$$\begin{aligned}
 & (c \neq \text{null} \wedge c.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow c.\text{next}.\text{prev} = c) & (c.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge c.\text{next}.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow c.\text{next}.\text{next}.\text{prev} = c.\text{next}) \\
 & (d \neq \text{null} \wedge d.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow d.\text{next}.\text{prev} = d) & (d.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge d.\text{next}.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow d.\text{next}.\text{next}.\text{prev} = d.\text{next}) \\
 & \wedge c \neq \text{null} \wedge c.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge d \neq \text{null} \wedge d.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge c.\text{next} = d.\text{next} \wedge c \neq d \quad \models \quad \perp
 \end{aligned}$$

# Example: List insertion

---



**Initially list is sorted:**  $p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow p.\text{prio} \geq p.\text{next}.\text{prio}$

---

$c.\text{prio} = x, c.\text{next} = \text{null}$

**for all  $p \neq c$  do**

**if  $p.\text{prio} \leq x$  then if First( $p$ ) then  $c.\text{next}' = p, \text{First}'(c), \neg\text{First}'(p)$  endif;  $p.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

**$p.\text{prio} > x$  then case  $p.\text{next} = \text{null}$  then  $p.\text{next}' := c, c.\text{next}' = \text{null}$**

**$p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next}.\text{prio} > x$  then  $p.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

**$p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next}.\text{prio} \leq x$  then  $p.\text{next}' = c, c.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

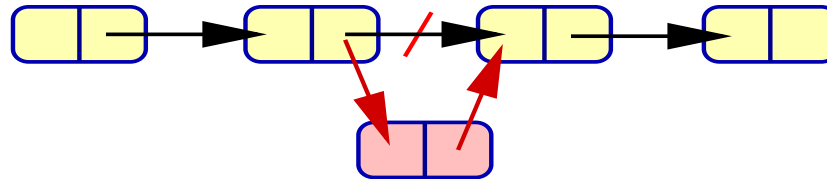
---

**Verification task:** After insertion list remains sorted



# Example: List insertion

---



**Initially list is sorted:**  $p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow p.\text{prio} \geq p.\text{next.prio}$

---

$c.\text{prio} = x, c.\text{next} = \text{null}$

**for all  $p \neq c$  do**

**if  $p.\text{prio} \leq x$  then if First( $p$ ) then  $c.\text{next}' = p, \text{First}'(c), \neg\text{First}'(p)$  endif;  $p.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

**$p.\text{prio} > x$  then case  $p.\text{next} = \text{null}$  then  $p.\text{next}' := c, c.\text{next}' = \text{null}$**

**$p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next.prio} > x$  then  $p.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

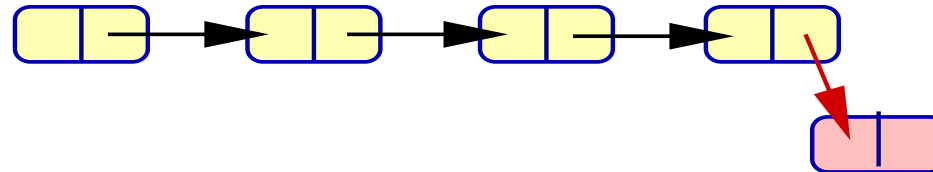
**$p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next.prio} \leq x$  then  $p.\text{next}' = c, c.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

---

**Verification task:** After insertion list remains sorted

# Example: List insertion

---



**Initially list is sorted:**  $p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \rightarrow p.\text{prio} \geq p.\text{next}.\text{prio}$

---

$c.\text{prio} = x, c.\text{next} = \text{null}$

**for all  $p \neq c$  do**

**if  $p.\text{prio} \leq x$  then if First( $p$ ) then  $c.\text{next}' = p, \text{First}'(c), \neg \text{First}'(p)$  endif;  $p.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

**$p.\text{prio} > x$  then case  $p.\text{next} = \text{null}$  then  $p.\text{next}' := c, c.\text{next}' = \text{null}$**

**$p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next}.\text{prio} > x$  then  $p.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

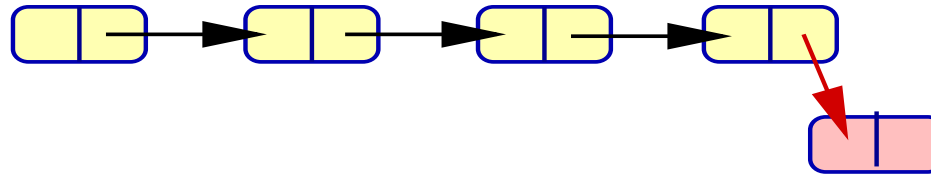
**$p.\text{next} \neq \text{null} \wedge p.\text{next}.\text{prio} \leq x$  then  $p.\text{next}' = c, c.\text{next}' = p.\text{next}$**

---

**Verification task:** After insertion list remains sorted

# Example: List insertion

---



**Initially list is sorted:**  $\forall p(p.next \neq null \rightarrow p.prio \geq p.next.prio)$

---

$\forall p(p \neq null \wedge p \neq c \wedge prio(p) \leq x \wedge First(p) \rightarrow next'(c) = p \wedge First'(c))$

$\forall p(p \neq null \wedge p \neq c \wedge prio(p) \leq x \wedge First(p) \rightarrow next'(p) = next(p) \wedge \neg First'(p))$

$\forall p(p \neq null \wedge p \neq c \wedge prio(p) \leq x \wedge \neg First(p) \rightarrow next'(p) = next(p))$

$\forall p(p \neq null \wedge p \neq c \wedge prio(p) > x \wedge next(p) = null \rightarrow next'(p) = c$

$\forall p(p \neq null \wedge p \neq c \wedge prio(p) > x \wedge next(p) = null \rightarrow next'(c) = null)$

$\forall p(p \neq null \wedge p \neq c \wedge prio(p) > x \wedge next(p) \neq null \wedge prio(next(p)) > x \rightarrow next'(p) = next(p))$

$\forall p(p \neq null \wedge p \neq c \wedge prio(p) > x \wedge next(p) \neq null \wedge prio(next(p)) > x \rightarrow next'(c) = p)$

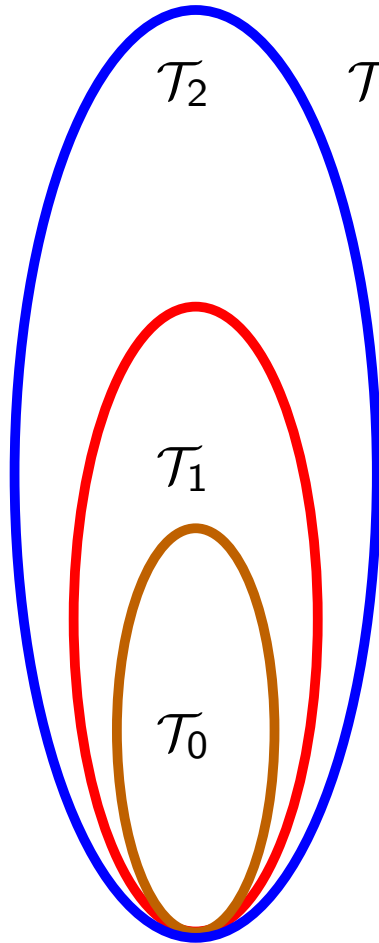
$\forall p(p \neq null \wedge p \neq c \wedge prio(p) > x \wedge next(p) \neq null \wedge prio(next(p)) > x \rightarrow next'(c) = next(p))$

We only need to use instances in which variables are replaced by ground subterms occurring in the problem

**To check:**  $Sorted(next, prio) \wedge Update(next, next') \wedge p_0.next' \neq null \wedge p_0.prio \not\geq p_0.next'.prio \models \perp$

# Example: List insertion

---



$$\mathcal{T}_2 = \mathcal{T}_1 \cup \text{Update}(\text{next}, \text{next}')$$

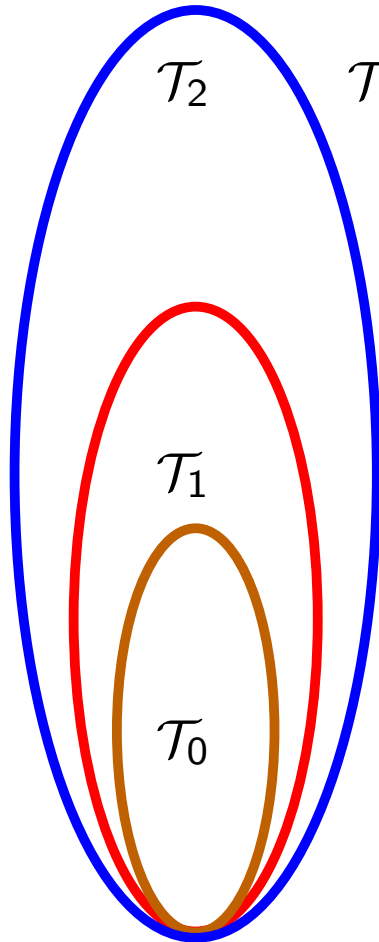
$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \text{Sorted}(\text{next})$$

$$\mathcal{T}_0 = (\text{Lists}, \text{next})$$

To show:

$$\mathcal{T}_2 \cup \underbrace{\neg \text{Sorted}(\text{next}')}_{G} \models \perp$$

# Example: List insertion



$$\mathcal{T}_2 = \mathcal{T}_1 \cup \boxed{\text{Update}(\text{next}, \text{next}')}$$

**Instantiate:**  
**Hierarchical reasoning:**

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \text{Sorted}(\text{next})$$

$$\mathcal{T}_0 = (\text{Lists}, \text{next})$$

**To show:**

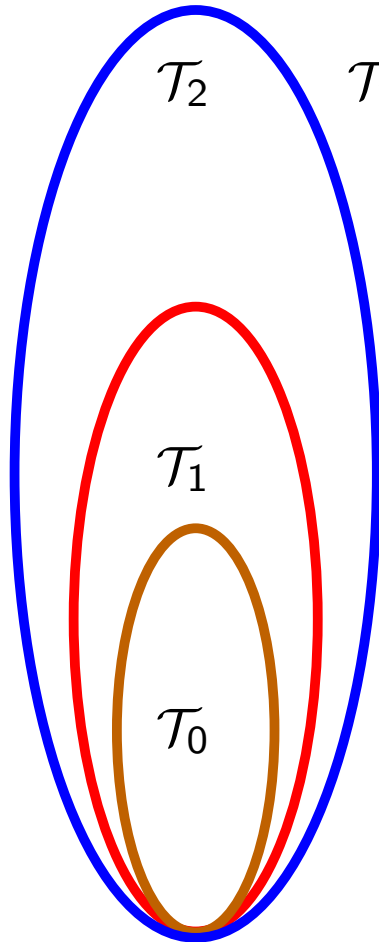
$$\mathcal{T}_2 \cup \underbrace{\neg \text{Sorted}(\text{next}')}_G \models \perp$$

$$\mathcal{T}_1 \cup \underbrace{\boxed{\text{Update}(\text{next}, \text{next}')}[G]}_{G'} \cup G \models \perp$$

$$\mathcal{T}_1 \cup G'(\text{next}) \models \perp$$

# Example: List insertion

---



$$\mathcal{T}_2 = \mathcal{T}_1 \cup \text{Update}(\text{next}, \text{next}')$$

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \text{Sorted}(\text{next})$$

$$\mathcal{T}_0 = (\text{Lists}, \text{next})$$

To show:

$$\mathcal{T}_2 \cup \underbrace{\neg \text{Sorted}(\text{next}')}_{G} \models \perp$$

↓

$$\mathcal{T}_1 \cup G'(\text{next}) \models \perp$$

↓

$$\mathcal{T}_0 \cup G'' \models \perp$$

# More general concept

---

Local Theory Extensions

# Satisfiability of formulae with quantifiers

---

**Goal:** generalize the ideas for extensions of theories



# Example: Strict monotonicity

---

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

$$\text{Mon}(f) \quad \forall i, j (i < j \rightarrow f(i) < f(j))$$

## Problems:

- A prover for  $\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z}$  does not know about  $f$
- A prover for first-order logic may have problems with the reals and integers
- DPLL(T) cannot be used (Mon,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$ : non-disjoint signatures)
- SMT provers may have problems with the universal quantifiers

**Our goal:** reduce search: consider certain instances  $\text{Mon}(f)[G]$   
without loss of completeness

hierarchical/modular reasoning:  
reduce to checking satisfiability of a set of constraints over  $\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z}$

# Local theory extensions

---

**Solution:** Local theory extensions

$\mathcal{K}$  set of equational clauses;  $\mathcal{T}_0$  theory;  $\mathcal{T}_1 = \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}$

(Loc)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_1$  is **local**, if for ground clauses  $G$ ,  
 $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K} \cup G \models \perp$  iff  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}[G] \cup G$  has no (partial) model

Various notions of locality, depending of the instances to be considered:  
stable locality, order locality; extended locality.

# Example: Strict monotonicity

---

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

Base theory ( $\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z}$ )	Extension
$a < b$	$f(a) = f(b) + 1$ $\forall i, j (i < j \rightarrow f(i) < f(j))$

# Example: Strict monotonicity

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

Extension is local  $\mapsto$  replace axiom with ground instances

Base theory ( $\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z}$ )	Extension
$a < b$	$f(a) = f(b) + 1$ $a < b \rightarrow f(a) < f(b)$ $b < a \rightarrow f(b) < f(a)$

Solution 1:

$SMT(\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z} \cup UIF)$

# Example: Strict monotonicity

---

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

Extension is local  $\mapsto$  replace axiom with ground instances

Add congruence axioms. Replace pos-terms with new constants

Base theory ( $\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z}$ )	Extension
$a < b$	$f(a) = f(b) + 1$ $a < b \rightarrow f(a) < f(b)$ $b < a \rightarrow f(b) < f(a)$ $a = b \rightarrow f(a) = f(b)$

Solution 2:

Hierarchical reasoning

# Example: Strict monotonicity

---

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

Extension is local  $\mapsto$  replace axiom with ground instances

Replace  $f$ -terms with new constants

Add definitions for the new constants

Base theory ( $\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z}$ )	Extension
$a < b$	$a_1 = b_1 + 1$
	$a < b \rightarrow a_1 < b_1$
	$b < a \rightarrow b_1 < a_1$
	$a = b \rightarrow a_1 = b_1$

# Example: Strict monotonicity

---

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

Extension is local  $\mapsto$  replace axiom with ground instances

Replace  $f$ -terms with new constants

Add definitions for the new constants

Base theory ( $\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z}$ )	Extension
$a < b$	$a_1 = f(a)$
$a_1 = b_1 + 1$	$b_1 = f(b)$
$a < b \rightarrow a_1 < b_1$	
$b < a \rightarrow b_1 < a_1$	
$a = b \rightarrow a_1 = b_1$	

# Reasoning in local theory extensions

---

**Locality:**  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K} \cup G \models \perp$  iff  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}[G] \cup G \models \perp$

**Problem:** Decide whether  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}[G] \cup G \models \perp$

**Solution 1:** Use *SMT*( $\mathcal{T}_0 + \text{UIF}$ ): possible only if  $\mathcal{K}[G]$  ground

**Solution 2:** Hierarchic reasoning [VS'05]

reduce to satisfiability in  $\mathcal{T}_0$ : applicable in general

$\mapsto$  parameterized complexity



# Hierarchical reasoning

---

**Theorem:** Assume that  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}$  is local. The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K} \cup G$  is satisfiable
- (2)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}[G] \cup G$  has a (partial) model in which all terms in  $G$  are defined
- (3)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}_0 \cup G_0 \cup \text{Con}[G]_0$  has a (total) model, where  $\text{Con}[G]_0$  is the set of instances of the congruence axioms corresponding to  $D$ :

$$\text{Con}[G]_0 = \left\{ \bigwedge_{i=1}^n c_i = d_i \rightarrow c = d \mid f(c_1, \dots, c_n) = c, f(d_1, \dots, d_n) = d \in D \right\}$$

( $\mathcal{K}_0 \cup G_0 \cup D$  be obtained from  $\mathcal{K}[G] \cup G$  by purification)

**Consequence:** Hierarchical reduction to a satisfiability test in  $\mathcal{T}_0$

# Hierarchical reasoning

**Theorem:** Assume that  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}$  is local. The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K} \cup G$  is satisfiable
- (2)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}[G] \cup G$  has a (partial) model
- (3)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}_0 \cup G_0 \cup \text{Con}[G]_0$  has a model

$$\text{Con}[G]_0 = \left\{ \bigwedge_{i=1}^n c_i = d_i \rightarrow \dots \right\}$$

( $\mathcal{K}_0 \cup G_0 \cup D$  be obtained from  $\mathcal{K} \cup G \cup D$  by partitioning)

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

	$G \cup \text{Mon}(f)$
	$a < b$
	$f(a) = f(b) + 1$
	$\forall x(x \leq y \rightarrow f(x) \leq f(y))$

**Consequence:** Hierarchical reduction to a satisfiability test in  $\mathcal{T}_0$

# Hierarchical reasoning

**Theorem:** Assume that  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}$  is local. The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K} \cup G$  is satisfiable
- (2)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}[G] \cup G$  has a (parti
- (3)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}_0 \cup G_0 \cup \text{Con}[G]_0$   
of instances of the congr

$$\text{Con}[G]_0 = \left\{ \bigwedge_{i=1}^n c_i = d_i \rightarrow \right.$$

( $\mathcal{K}_0 \cup G_0 \cup D$  be obtaine

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

---


$$G \cup \text{Mon}(f)[G]$$

$$a < b$$

$$f(a) = f(b) + 1$$

$$a \leq b \rightarrow f(a) \leq f(b)$$

$$b \leq a \rightarrow f(b) \leq f(a)$$

**Consequence:** Hierarchical reduction to a satisfiability test in  $\mathcal{T}_0$

# Hierarchical reasoning

**Theorem:** Assume that  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}$  is local. The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K} \cup G$  is satisfiable;
- (2)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}[G] \cup G$  has a (partial)
- (3)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \cup \mathcal{K}_0 \cup G_0 \cup \text{Con}[G]_0$   
of instances of the congruence

$$\text{Con}[G]_0 = \left\{ \bigwedge_{i=1}^n c_i = d_i \rightarrow c = d \right\}$$

( $\mathcal{K}_0 \cup G_0 \cup D$  be obtained

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \text{Mon}(f) \cup \underbrace{(a < b \wedge f(a) = f(b) + 1)}_G \models \perp$$

Definitions	$G_0 \cup \text{Mon}(f)[G]_0 \cup \text{Con}[G]_0$
$a_1 = f(a)$	$a < b$
$b_1 = f(b)$	$a_1 = b_1 + 1$
	$a \leq b \rightarrow a_1 \leq b_1$
	$b \leq a \rightarrow b_1 \leq a_1$
	$a = b \rightarrow a_1 = b_1$

**Consequence:** Hierarchical reduction to a satisfiability test in  $\mathcal{T}_0$ .

# Recognizing local theory extensions

---

**Problem:** Determine whether a theory extension is local

**Solutions:**

- 1. Semantic method:** Embeddability of partial models into total models

$$\mathcal{T}_1 \text{ local extension of } \mathcal{T}_0 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}} \\ \xleftarrow{\hspace{10em}} \end{array} \text{Emb}(\mathcal{T}_0, \mathcal{T}_1)$$

- 2. Proof theoretical method:** Test saturation under ordered resolution  
[Basin, Ganzinger'96,'01] test locality; generate local presentation if poss.

# Recognizing local theory extensions

---

**Problem:** Determine whether a theory extension is local

**Our solutions:**

**1. Semantic method:** Embeddability of partial models into total models

- Results:**
- Extensions with new functions +
    - definitions [VS'05,'06]
    - (piecewise) boundedness/monotonicity [VS, Ihlemann'07]
    - injectivity, strict monotonicity (add. asmpts.) [Jacobs,VS'07]
    - Lipschitz conds./continuity/derivability [VS'08]
  - Theories of data structures [Ihlemann,Jacobs,VS'08]

# Examples of local theory extensions

---

## 1. Monotonicity conditions

**Theorem** Any extension of the (i) theory of reals, rationals or integers or (ii) the theory of Posets, (semi)lattices, distributive lattices, Boolean algebras with functions satisfying  $\text{Mon}^\sigma(f)$  is local.

$$\text{Mon}^\sigma(f) \quad \bigwedge_{i \in I} x_i \leq_i^{\sigma_i} y_i \wedge \bigwedge_{i \notin I} x_i = y_i \rightarrow f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leq f(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

**Theorem.** The extension  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \text{SMon}(f)$  is local if  $\mathcal{T}_0$  is the theory of reals (and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ) or the disjoint combination of the theories of reals and integers (and  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ).

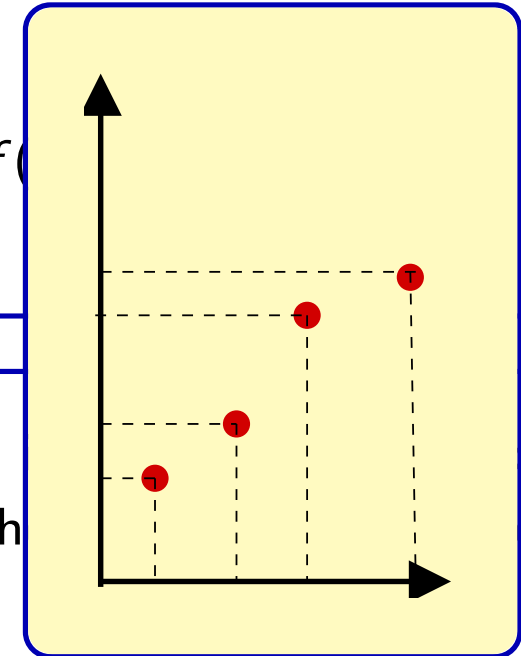
$$\text{SMon}(f) \quad \forall i, j (i < j \rightarrow f(i) < f(j))$$

# Examples of local theory extensions

## 1. Monotonicity conditions

**Theorem** Any extension of the (i) theory of reals, rationals or integers or (ii) the theory of Posets, (semi)lattices, distributive lattices, Boolean algebras with functions satisfying  $\text{Mon}^\sigma(f)$  is local.

$$\text{Mon}^\sigma(f) \quad \bigwedge_{i \in I} x_i \leq_i^{\sigma_i} y_i \wedge \bigwedge_{i \notin I} x_i = y_i \rightarrow f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leq f(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$



**Theorem.** The extension  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \text{SMon}(f)$  is local for reals (and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ) or the disjoint combination of the theory of integers (and  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ).

$$\text{SMon}(f) \quad \forall i, j (i < j \rightarrow f(i) < f(j))$$

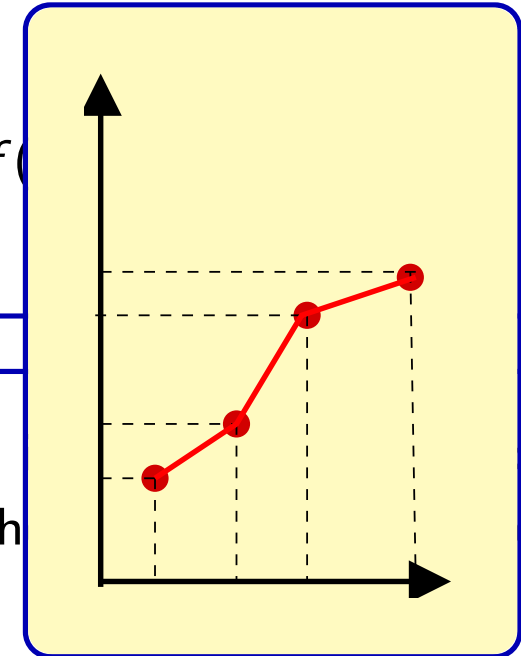


# Examples of local theory extensions

## 1. Monotonicity conditions

**Theorem** Any extension of the (i) theory of reals, rationals or integers or (ii) the theory of Posets, (semi)lattices, distributive lattices, Boolean algebras with functions satisfying  $\text{Mon}^\sigma(f)$  is local.

$$\text{Mon}^\sigma(f) \quad \bigwedge_{i \in I} x_i \leq_i^{\sigma_i} y_i \wedge \bigwedge_{i \notin I} x_i = y_i \rightarrow f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leq f(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$



**Theorem.** The extension  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \text{SMon}(f)$  is local for reals (and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ) or the disjoint combination of the theory of integers (and  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ).

$$\text{SMon}(f) \quad \forall i, j (i < j \rightarrow f(i) < f(j))$$

# Examples of local theory extensions

## 2. Boundedness

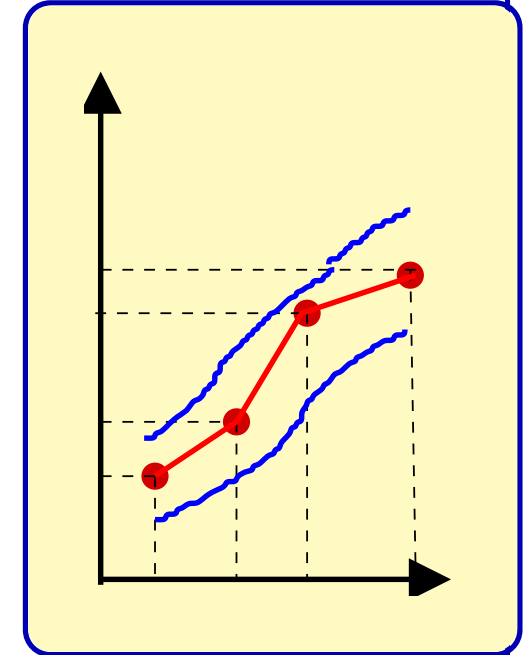
**Theorem.**  $\mathcal{T}_0$  contains reflexive binary predicate  $\leq$ , and  $f \notin \Sigma_0$ .

$t_1, \dots, t_m, s_1, \dots, s_m$ :  $\Sigma_0$ -terms;  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m$ :  $\Pi_0$ -formulae s.t.

- (i)  $\mathcal{T}_0 \models \forall \bar{x} (\phi_i(\bar{x}) \rightarrow s_i(\bar{x}) \leq t_i(\bar{x}))$ ;
- (ii) if  $i \neq j$ ,  $\phi_i \wedge \phi_j \models_{\mathcal{T}_0} \perp$ .

$$\text{GB}(f) = \begin{cases} \forall \bar{x} (\phi_1(\bar{x}) \rightarrow s_1(\bar{x}) \leq f(\bar{x}) \leq t_1(\bar{x})) \\ \dots \\ \forall \bar{x} (\phi_m(\bar{x}) \rightarrow s_m(\bar{x}) \leq f(\bar{x}) \leq t_m(\bar{x})) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Def}(f) = \begin{cases} \forall \bar{x} (\phi_1(\bar{x}) \rightarrow f(\bar{x}) = t_1(\bar{x})) \\ \dots \\ \forall \bar{x} (\phi_m(\bar{x}) \rightarrow f(\bar{x}) = t_m(\bar{x})) \end{cases}$$



The extensions  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \text{GB}(f)$  and  $\mathcal{T}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_0 \cup \text{Def}(f)$  are both local.

# Examples of local theory extensions

---

## 2. Boundedness for monotone functions

**Theorem.** Any extension of a theory for which  $\leq$  is a partial order (or at least reflexive) with functions satisfying  $\text{Mon}^\sigma(f)$  and  $\text{Bound}^t(f)$  is local.

$$\text{Bound}^t(f) \quad \forall x_1, \dots, x_n (f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leq t(x_1, \dots, x_n))$$

where  $t(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is a  $\Pi_0$ -term whose associated function has the same monotonicity as  $f$  in any model.

Similar results hold for strictly monotone functions.

# Applications

---

The notion of locality allows us to:

- uniformly explain existing results, e.g.
  - Local pointer structures [McPeak, Necula 2005]
  - Theory of arrays [Bradley, Manna, Sipma'06]
- generate / recognize in a systematic way a class of local theory extensions related to data structures, including proper extensions of the theories above.

**e.g.:**

- Updates of arrays, properties of arrays
- Insertion/Deletion in pointer structures