

Decision Procedures for Verification

Combinations of Decision Procedures (3)

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Last time

Combinations of Decision Procedures

The Nelson/Oppen Procedure

(for theories with disjoint signature)

From conjunctions to arbitrary combinations

DPLL(T)

Satisfiability of formulae with quantifiers

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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

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Syntax:

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

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

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

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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:

φ_I : index guard

φ_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)

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

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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.

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

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

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

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

This is the key step.

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

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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 λ 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.

Example

Consider the array property formula

$$F : \text{write}(a, l, v)[k] = b[k] \wedge b[k] \neq v \wedge a[k] = v \wedge (\forall i. i \neq l \rightarrow a[i] = b[i])$$

It contains one array property,

$$\forall i. i \neq l \rightarrow a[i] = b[i]$$

index guard: $i \neq l := (i \leq l - 1 \vee i \geq l + 1)$ **value constraint:** $a[i] = b[i]$

Step 1: The formula is already in NNF.

Step 2: We rewrite F as:

$$F2 : \quad a'[k] = b[k] \wedge b[k] \neq v \wedge a[k] = v \wedge (\forall i. i \neq l \rightarrow a[i] = b[i]) \\ \wedge a'[l] = v \wedge (\forall j. j \neq l \rightarrow a[j] = a'[j]).$$

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Step 3: F2 does not contain any existential quantifiers \mapsto F3 = F2.

Step 4: The index set is

$$\mathcal{I} = \{\lambda\} \cup \{k\} \cup \{l, l - 1, l + 1\} = \{\lambda, k, l, l - 1, l + 1\}$$

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Step 5: we replace universal quantification as follows:

$$F5 : \quad a'[k] = b[k] \wedge b[k] \neq v \wedge a[k] = v \wedge \bigwedge_{i \in \mathcal{I}} (i \neq l \rightarrow a[i] = b[i]) \\ \wedge a'[l] = v \wedge \bigwedge_{j \in \mathcal{I}} (j \neq l \rightarrow a[j] = a'[j]).$$

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Step 5 (continued) Expanding produces:

$$\begin{aligned} F5' : \quad & a'[k] = b[k] \wedge b[k] \neq v \wedge a[k] = v \wedge \\ & (\lambda \neq l \rightarrow a[\lambda] = b[\lambda]) \wedge (k \neq l \rightarrow a[k] = b[k]) \wedge (l \neq l \rightarrow a[l] = b[l]) \wedge \\ & (l - 1 \neq l \rightarrow a[l - 1] = b[l - 1]) \wedge (l + 1 \neq l \rightarrow a[l + 1] = b[l + 1]) \wedge \\ & a'[l] = v \wedge (\lambda \neq l \rightarrow a[\lambda] = a'[\lambda]) \wedge (k \neq l \rightarrow a[k] = a'[k]) \wedge \\ & (l \neq l \rightarrow a[l] = a'[l]) \wedge (l - 1 \neq l \rightarrow a[l - 1] = a'[l - 1]) \wedge \\ & (l + 1 \neq l \rightarrow a[l + 1] = a'[l + 1]). \end{aligned}$$

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Step 5 (continued): Simplifying produces

$$\begin{aligned} F''_5 : \quad & a'[k] = b[k] \wedge b[k] \neq v \wedge a[k] = v \wedge (\lambda \neq l \rightarrow a[\lambda] = b[\lambda]) \\ & \wedge (k \neq l \rightarrow a[k] = b[k]) \wedge a[l-1] = b[l-1] \wedge a[l+1] = b[l+1] \\ & \wedge a'[l] = v \wedge (\lambda \neq l \rightarrow a[\lambda] = a'[\lambda]) \\ & \wedge (k \neq l \rightarrow a[k] = a'[k]) \wedge a[l-1] = a'[l-1] \wedge a[l+1] = a'[l+1]. \end{aligned}$$

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Step 6 distinguishes λ from other members of I :

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$$\begin{aligned} F'6 : \quad & a'[k] = b[k] \wedge b[k] \neq v \wedge a[k] = v \wedge a[\lambda] = b[\lambda] \\ & \wedge a[k] = b[k] \wedge a[l-1] = b[l-1] \wedge a[l+1] = b[l+1] \\ & \wedge a'[l] = v \wedge a[\lambda] = a'[\lambda] \\ & \wedge (k \neq l \rightarrow a[k] = a'[k]) \wedge a[l-1] = a'[l-1] \wedge a[l+1] = a'[l+1] \\ & \wedge \lambda \neq k \wedge \lambda \neq l \wedge \lambda \neq l-1 \wedge \lambda \neq l+1. \end{aligned}$$

We can use for instance DPLL(T).

Alternative: Case distinction. There are two cases to consider.

- (1) If $k=l$, then $a'[l]=v$ and $a'[k]=b[k]$ imply $b[k]=v$, yet $b[k] \neq v$.
- (2) If $k \neq l$, then $a[k]=v$ and $a[k]=b[k]$ imply $b[k]=v$, but again $b[k] \neq v$.

Hence, F'6 is TA-unsatisfiable, indicating that F is TA-unsatisfiable.

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

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

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

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Assume that $F5$ is satisfiable. Let $\mathcal{A} = (\mathbb{Z}, \text{Elem}, \{a_{\mathcal{A}}\}_{a \in \text{Arrays}}, \dots)$ 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} .

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

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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

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

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

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

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

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

$n' := n + 1$

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

Beyond the array property fragment

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

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

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

where s_i, t_i are terms over the signature Σ 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

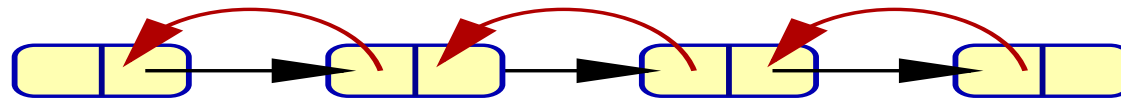
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Example: doubly-linked lists; ordered elements



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

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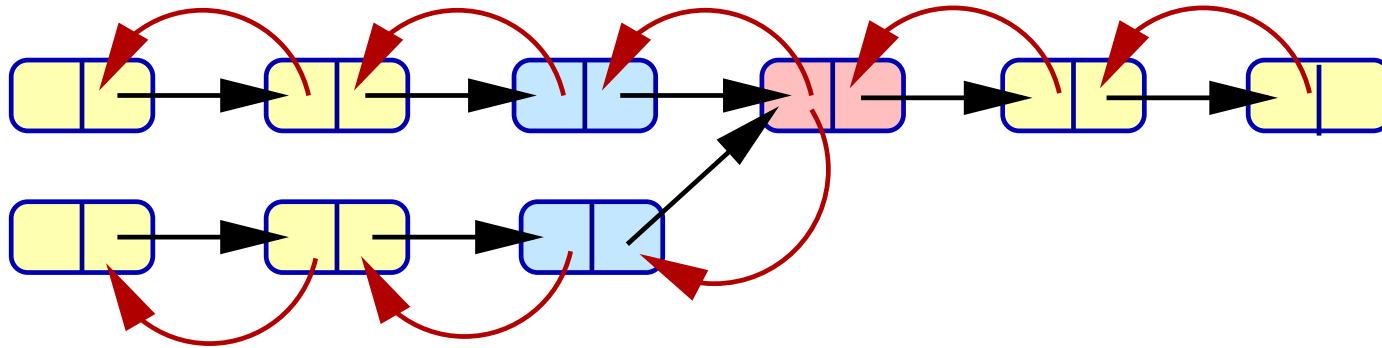
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Theorem. K set of clauses in the fragment above. Then for every set G of ground clauses, $(K \cup G) \cup \mathcal{T}_s \models \perp$ iff $K^{[G]} \cup \mathcal{T}_s \models \perp$

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

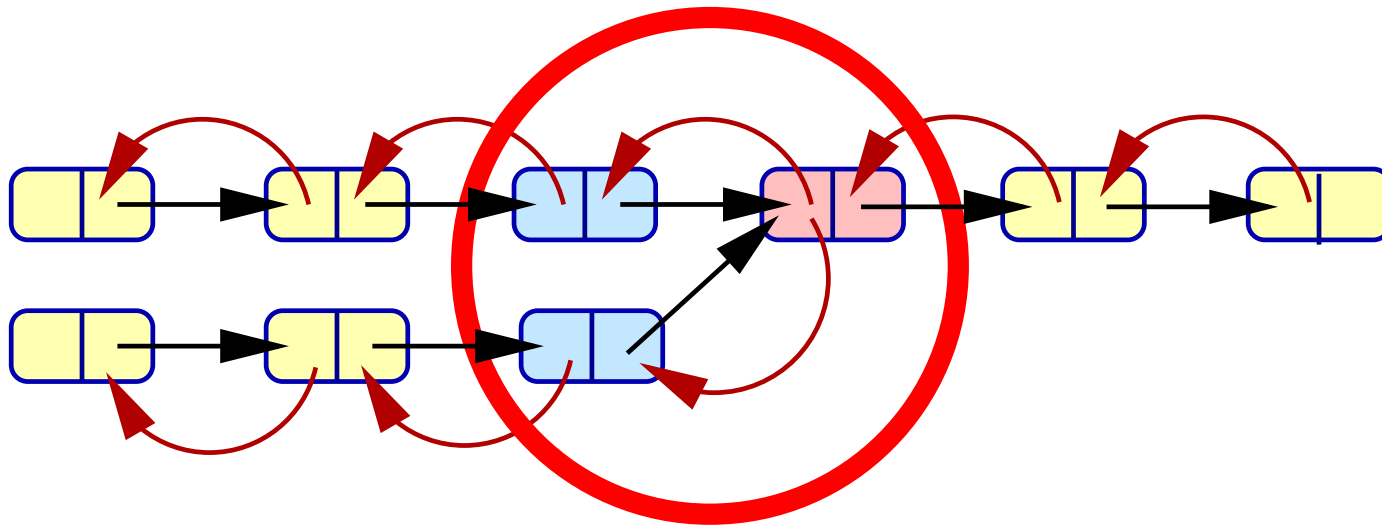


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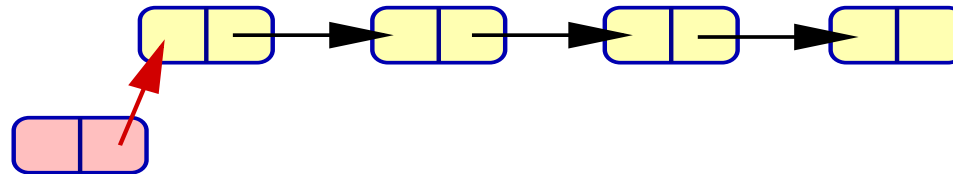
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 \end{aligned}$$

Example: List insertion



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

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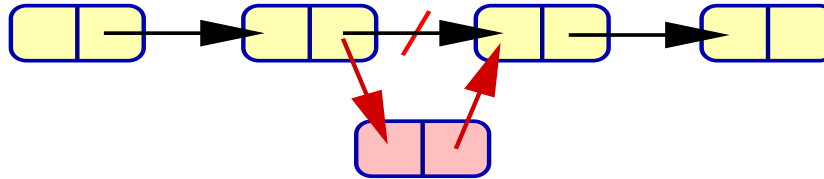
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Verification task: After insertion list remains sorted

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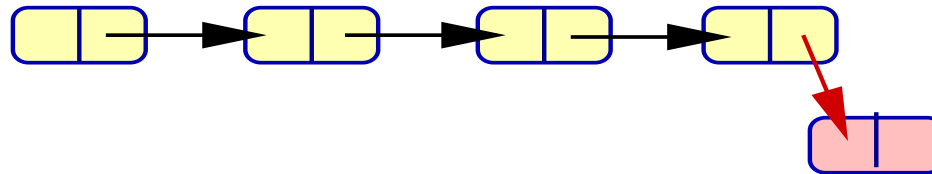
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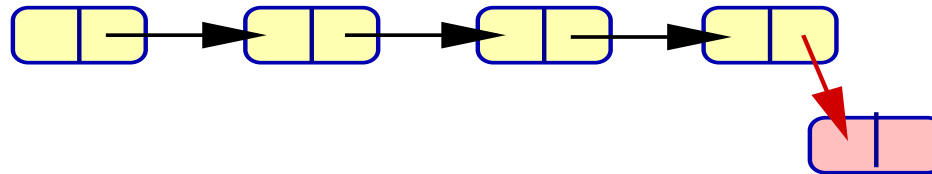
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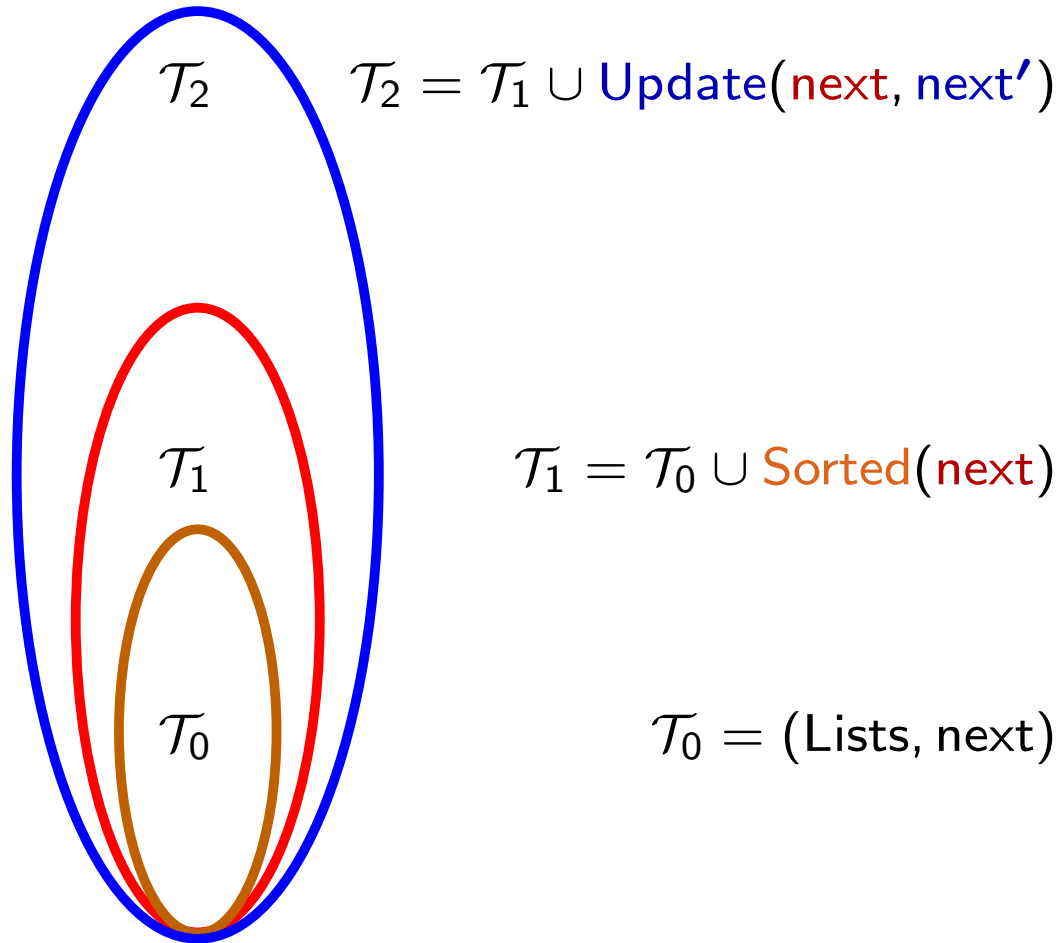
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We only need to use instances in which variables are replaced by ground subterms occurring in the problem

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

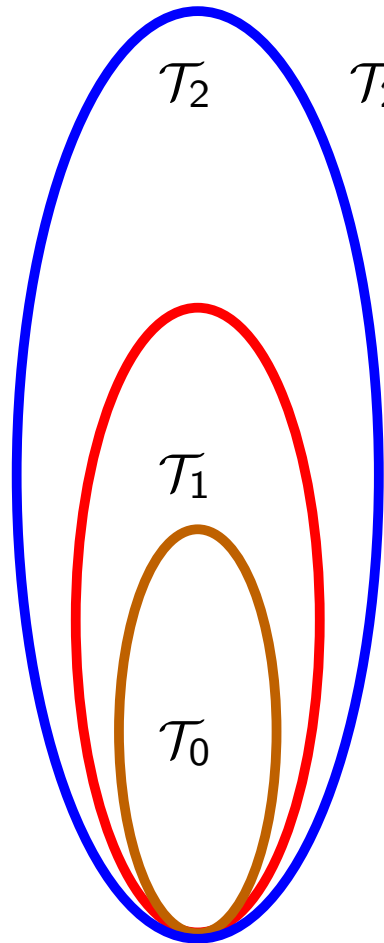
Example: List insertion



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:

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

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

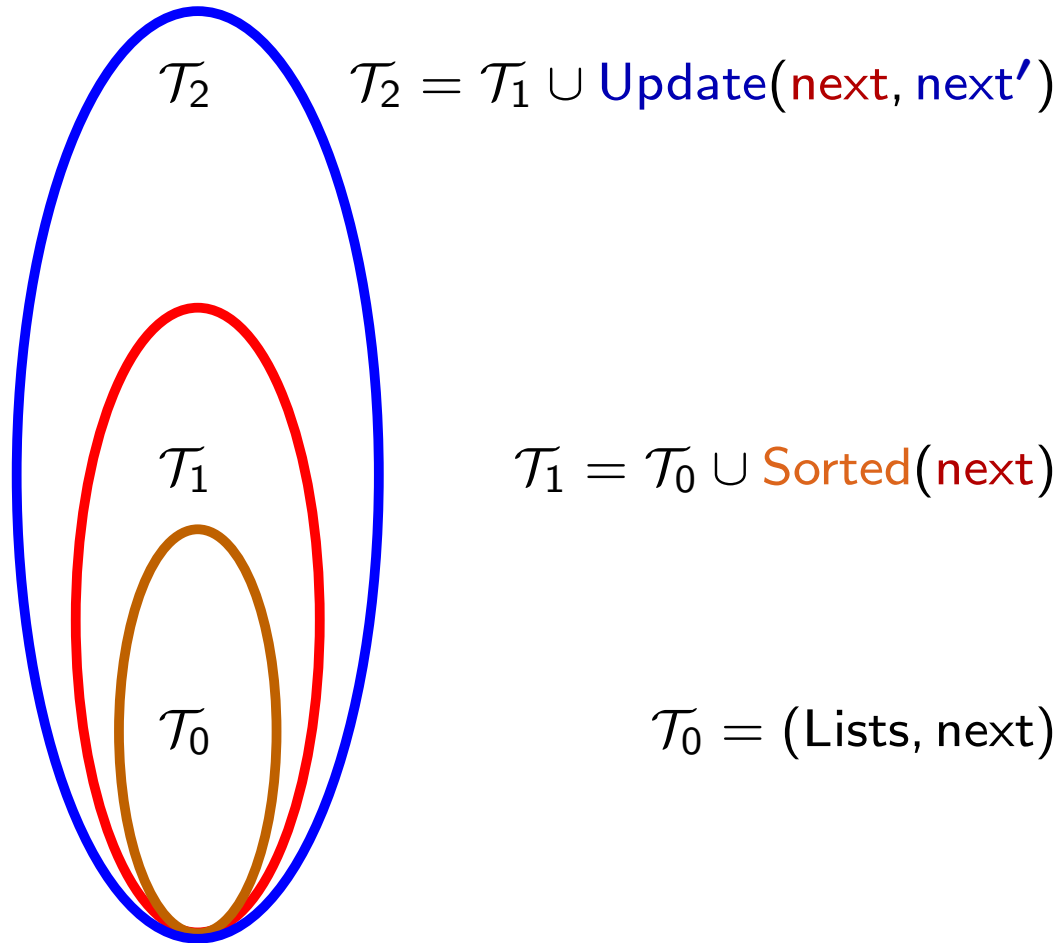
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More general concept

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

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

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Solution 1:

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

Example: Strict monotonicity

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Add congruence axioms. Replace pos-terms with new constants

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Solution 2:

Hierarchical reasoning

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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

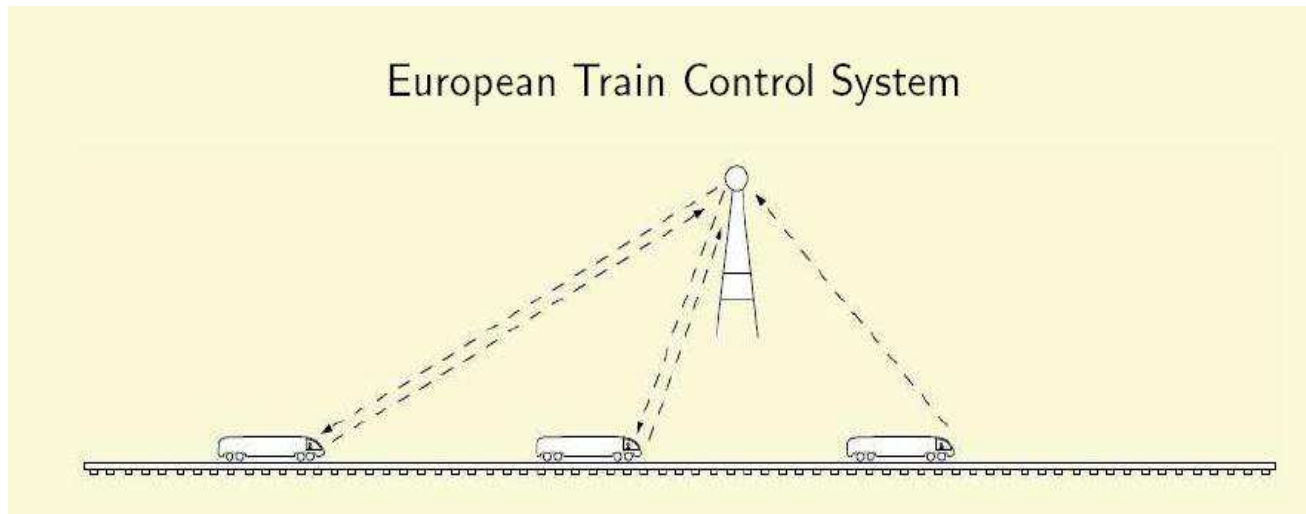
Solution 2: Hierarchic reasoning [VS'05]

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

\mapsto parameterized complexity

Example

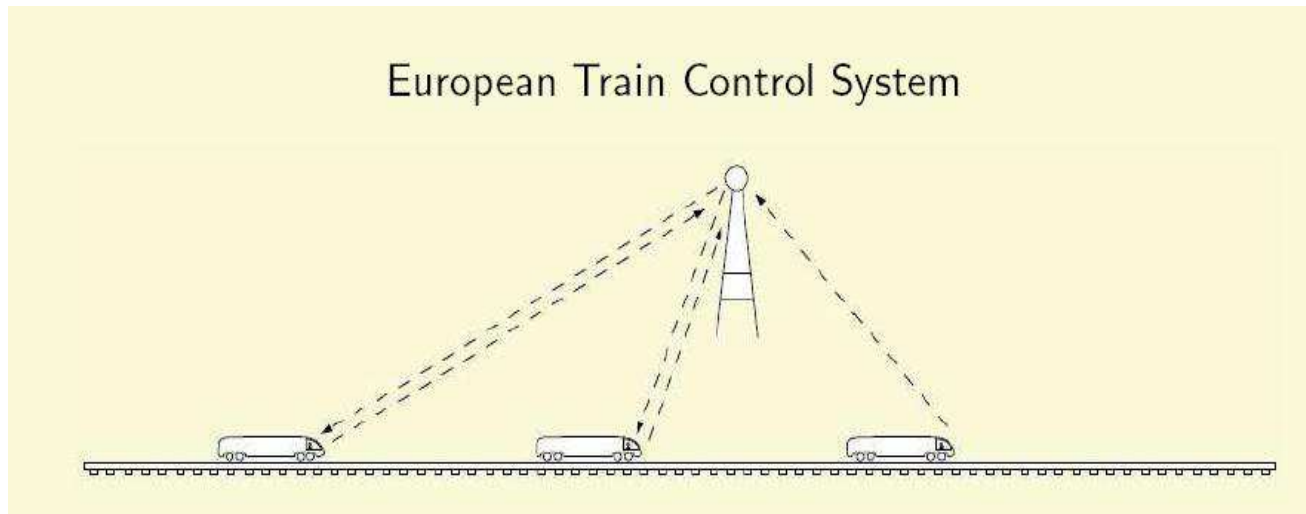
Simplified version of ETCS Case Study [Jacobs,VS'06, Faber,Jacobs,VS'07]



- Number** of trains: $n \geq 0$ \mathbb{Z}
- Minimum and maximum **speed** of trains: $0 \leq \min < \max$ \mathbb{R}
- Minimum **secure distance**: $l_{\text{alarm}} > 0$ \mathbb{R}
- Time** between updates: $\Delta t > 0$ \mathbb{R}
- Train positions** before and after update: $pos(i), pos'(i) : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Example

Simplified version of ETCS Case Study [Jacobs,VS'06, Faber,Jacobs,VS'07]



- Update(pos, pos') :
- $\forall i (i = 0 \rightarrow pos(i) + \Delta t * \min \leq pos'(i) \leq pos(i) + \Delta t * \max)$
 - $\forall i (0 < i < n \wedge pos(i - 1) > 0 \wedge pos(i - 1) - pos(i) \geq l_{\text{alarm}} \rightarrow pos(i) + \Delta t * \min \leq pos'(i) \leq pos(i) + \Delta t * \max)$
- ...

Example

Safety property: No collisions

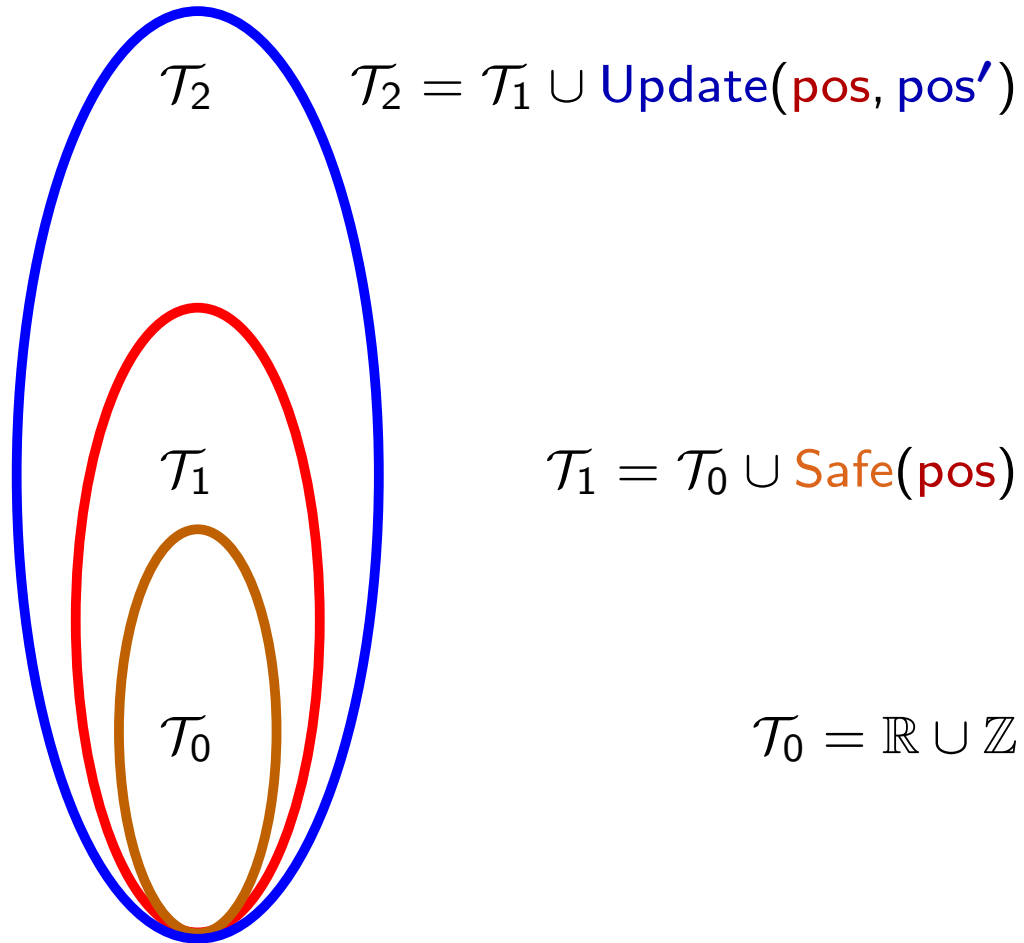
Safe(pos) : $\forall i, j (i < j \rightarrow \text{pos}(i) > \text{pos}(j))$

Inductive invariant: $\text{Safe}(\text{pos}) \wedge \text{Update}(\text{pos}, \text{pos}') \wedge \neg \text{Safe}(\text{pos}') \models_{\mathcal{T}_S} \perp$

where \mathcal{T}_S is the extension of the (disjoint) combination $\mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{Z}$
with two functions, $\text{pos}, \text{pos}' : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Our idea: Use chains of “instantiation” + reduction.

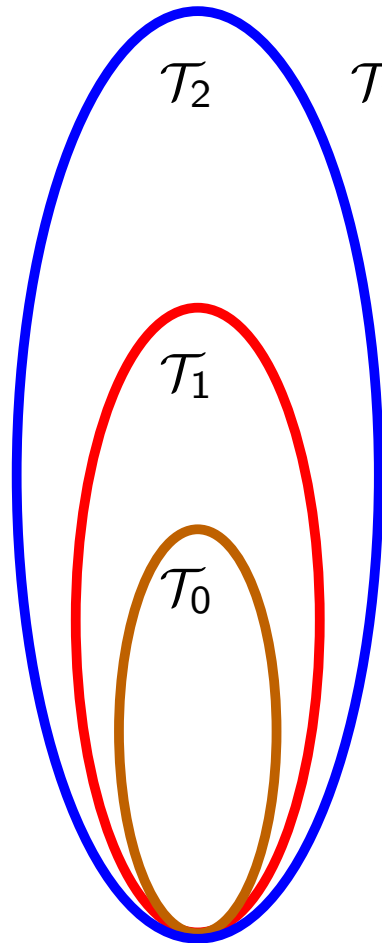
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$$\mathcal{T}_0 \cup G'' \models \perp$$

$$\Phi(c, \bar{c}_{\text{pos}'}, \bar{d}_{\text{pos}}, n, l_{\text{alarm}}, \text{min}, \text{max}, \Delta t) \models \perp$$

Method 1: SAT checking/ Counterexample generation

Method 2: Quantifier elimination

relationships between parameters which guarantee safety

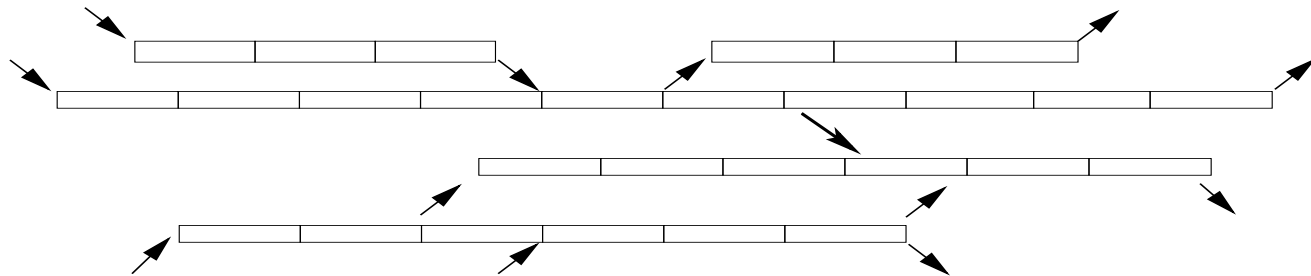
More complex ETCS Case studies

[Faber, Jacobs, VS, 2007]

- Take into account also:
 - Emergency messages
 - Durations
- Specification language: CSP-OZ-DC
 - Reduction to satisfiability in theories for which decision procedures exist
- **Tool chain:** [Faber, Ihlemann, Jacobs, VS]
CSP-OZ-DC \mapsto Transition constr. \mapsto Decision procedures (H-PILoT)

Example 2: Parametric topology

- Complex track topologies [Faber, Ihlemann, Jacobs, VS, ongoing work]

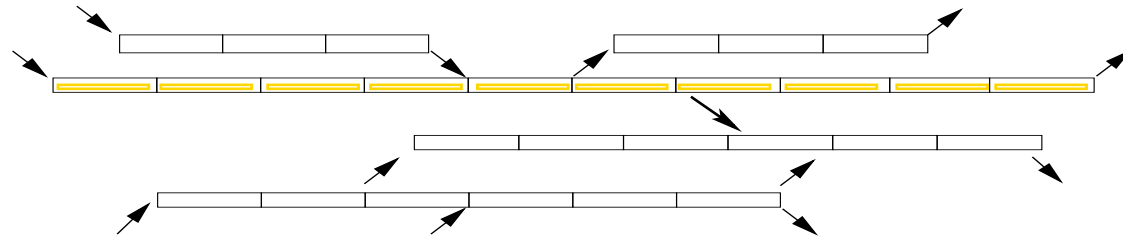


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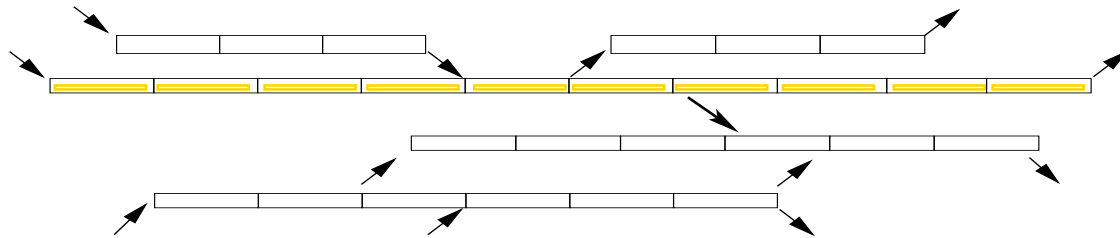
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Approach:

- Decompose the system in trajectories (linear rail tracks; may overlap)
- **Task 1:** - Prove safety for trajectories with incoming/outgoing trains
 - Conclude that for control rules in which trains have sufficient freedom (and if trains are assigned unique priorities) safety of all trajectories implies safety of the whole system
- **Task 2:** - General constraints on parameters which guarantee safety

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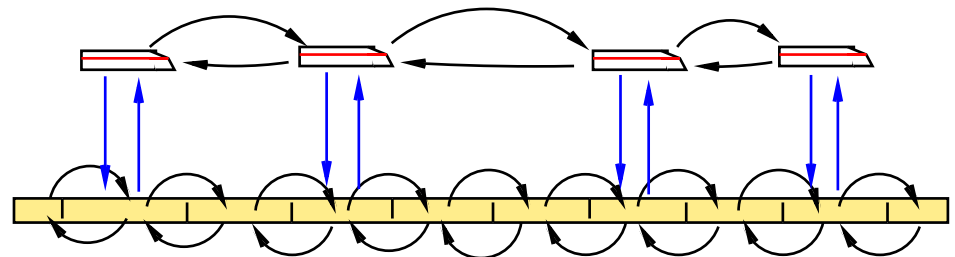


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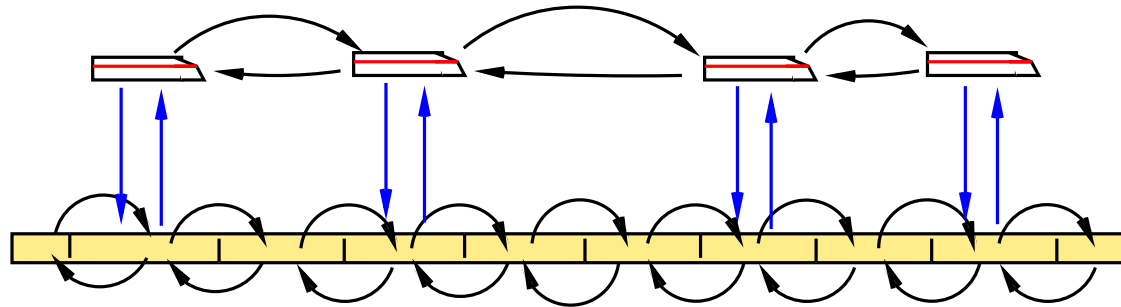
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Data structures:

- p_1 : trains
- 2-sorted pointers
- p_2 : segments
- scalar fields ($f: p_i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g: p_i \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$)
- updates efficient decision procedures (H-PiLoT)



Incoming and outgoing trains



Example 1: Speed Update

$$\text{pos}(t) < \text{length}(\text{segm}(t)) - d \rightarrow 0 \leq \text{spd}'(t) \leq \text{lmax}(\text{segm}(t))$$

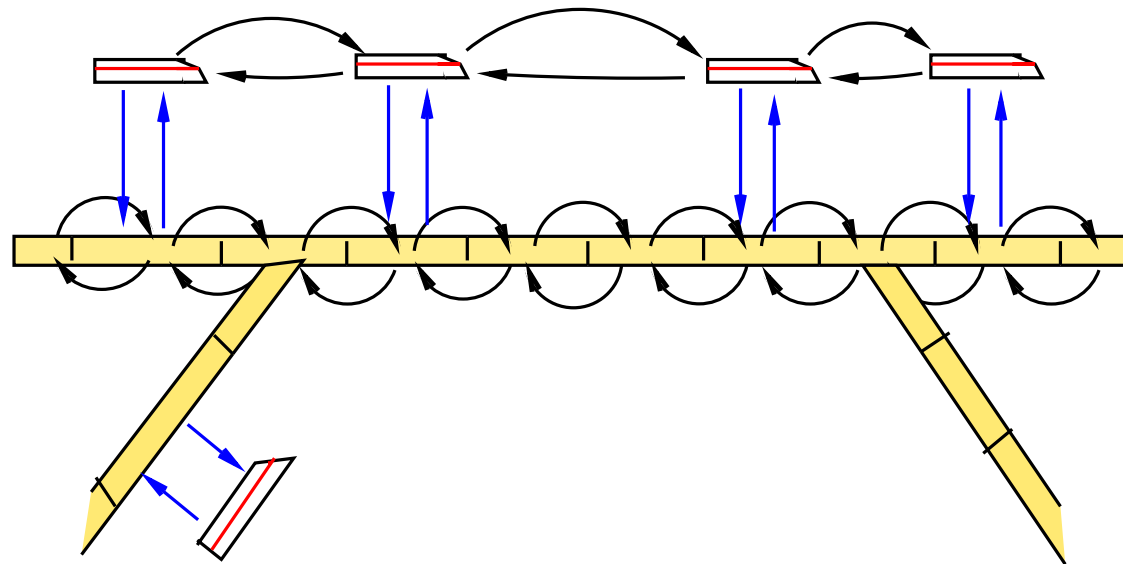
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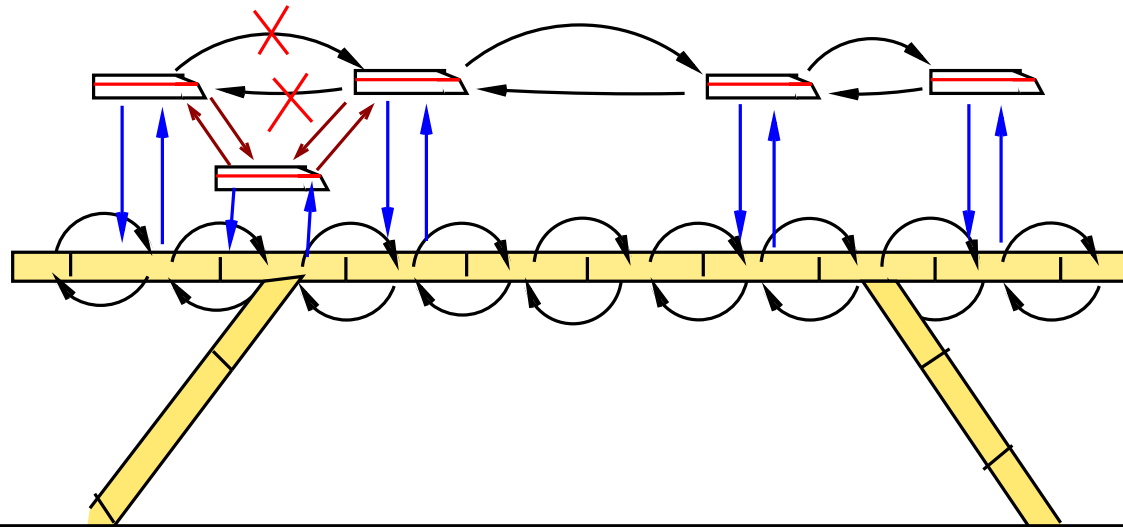
$$\text{pos}(t) \geq \text{length}(\text{segm}(t)) - d \wedge \text{alloc}(\text{next}_s(\text{segm}(t))) \neq \text{tid}(t)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{spd}'(t) = \max(\text{spd}(t) - \text{decmax}, 0)$$

Incoming and outgoing trains



Incoming and outgoing trains



Example 2: Enter Update (also updates for segm', spd', pos', train')

Assume: $s_1 \neq \text{null}_s$, $t_1 \neq \text{null}_t$, $\text{train}(s) \neq t_1$, $\text{alloc}(s_1) = \text{idt}(t_1)$

$t \neq t_1$, $\text{ids}(\text{segm}(t)) < \text{ids}(s_1)$, $\text{next}_t(t) = \text{null}_t$, $\text{alloc}(s_1) = \text{tid}(t_1) \rightarrow \text{next}'(t) = t_1 \wedge \text{next}'(t_1) = \text{null}_t$

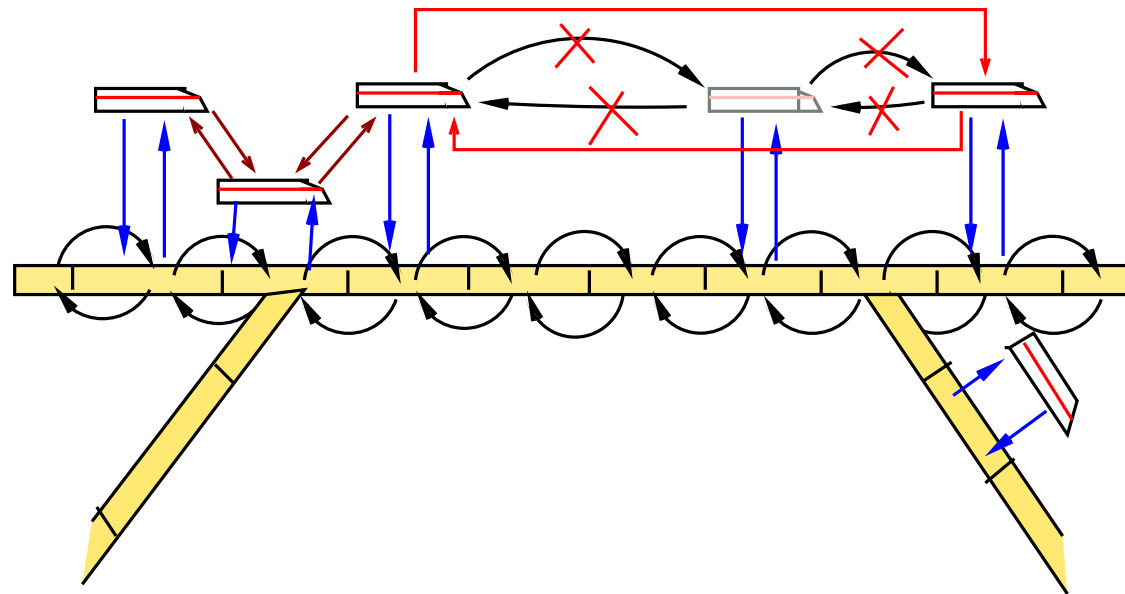
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$\rightarrow \text{next}'(t) = \text{next}_t(t)$

...

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Incoming and outgoing trains



Safety property

Safety property we want to prove: no two trains ever occupy the same track segment:

$$(\text{Safe}) := \forall t_1, t_2 \text{ segm}(t_1) = \text{segm}(t_2) \rightarrow t_1 = t_2$$

In order to prove that (Safe) is an invariant of the system, we need to find a suitable invariant (Inv(*i*)) for every control location *i* of the TCS, and prove:

$$(\text{Inv}(i)) \models (\text{Safe}) \text{ for all locations } i$$

and that the invariants are preserved under all transitions of the system,

$$(\text{Inv}(i)) \wedge (\text{Update}) \models (\text{Inv}'(j))$$

whenever (Update) is a transition from location *i* to *j* .

Safety property

Need additional invariants.

- generate by hand [Faber, Ihlemann, Jacobs, VS, ongoing]

 - use the capabilities of H-PILOT of generating counterexamples

- generate automatically [work in progress]

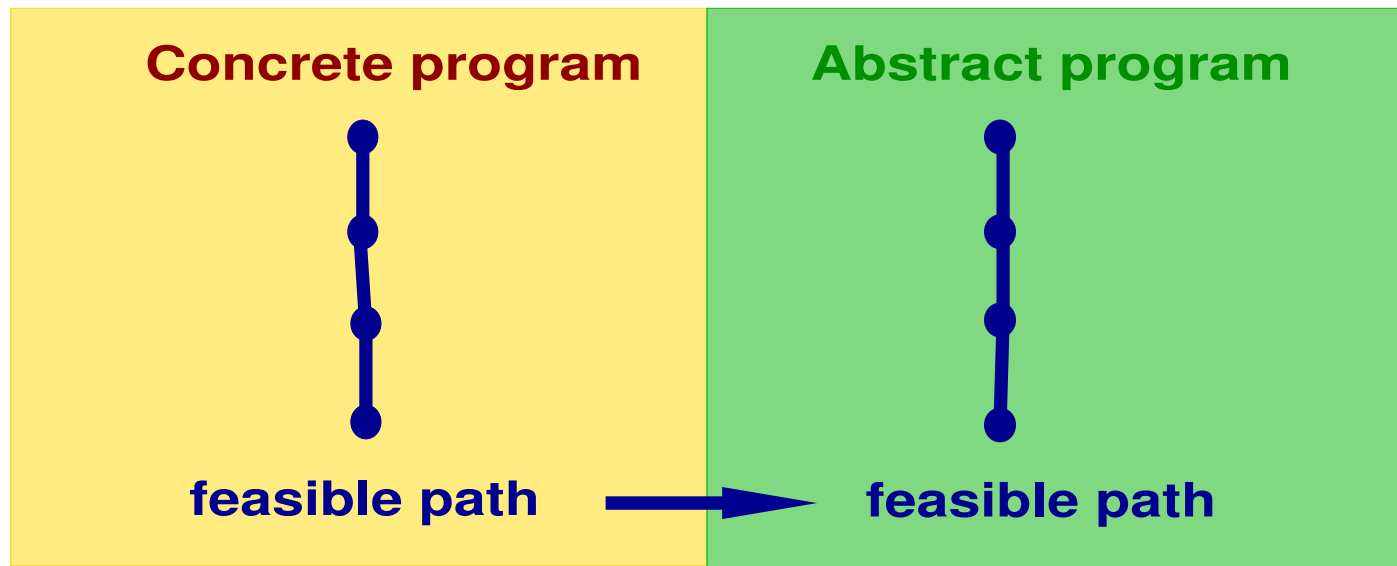
Ground satisfiability problems for pointer data structures

the decision procedures presented before can be used without problems

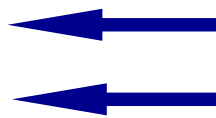
Other interesting topics

- Generate invariants
- Verification by abstraction/refinement

Abstraction-based Verification



location unreachable
check feasibility



location unreachable
location reachable



conjunction of constraints: $\phi(1) \wedge Tr(1, 2) \wedge \dots \wedge Tr(n - 1, n) \wedge \neg \text{safe}(n)$

- **satisfiable:** feasible path

- **unsatisfiable:** refine abstract program s.t. the path is not feasible

[McMillan 2003-2006] use 'local causes of inconsistency'

\mapsto compute interpolants

Summary

- Decision procedures for various theories/theory combinations

Implemented in most of the existing SMT provers:

Z3: <http://z3.codeplex.com/>

CVC4: <http://cvc4.cs.nyu.edu/web/>

Yices: <http://yices.csl.sri.com/>

- Ideas about how to use them for verification

Decision procedures for other classes of theories/Applications”

Next semester: Seminar “Decision Procedures and Applications”

More details on Specification, Model Checking, Verification:

Every summer (usually end of August):

Summer school “Verification Technology, Systems & Applications”

BSc/MSc Theses in the area