## Nelson-Oppen

#### Specifications section, Algorithms topic, Lecture 6



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## **First-order Logic**

First-order logic is **common framework** for logics

$$p,q := \neg p \mid p \lor q \mid p \land q \mid \forall v,p \mid \exists v,p$$

Can add **domain-specific** constructs **Sorts, constants, functions, and relations** define the syntax **Interpretations** of each define the meaning **Axioms** allow proving first-order statements

Domains can be **mixed** to solve complex problems

### Proofs

#### Proofs provide compact evidence for a first-order fact

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \end{bmatrix} \vdash \begin{bmatrix} p \\ Fact \end{bmatrix}$$

Quantifier rules for manipulating facts & axioms

 $\begin{array}{ccc} [\Gamma, x] A \vdash p & [\Gamma] A \vdash p[x := e] & [\Gamma, x] A \vdash p & [\Gamma] A[x := e] \vdash p \\ \hline \\ [\Gamma] A \vdash \forall x, p & [\Gamma] A \vdash \exists x, p & [\Gamma] \exists x, A \vdash p & [\Gamma] \forall x, A \vdash p \end{array}$ 

Replace identical expressions with boolean variables

#### Theories

Theory of **equality**: reflection and substitution Quantifier-free vs quantified formulas

Theory of **arithmetic**: induction and definitions Choosing subsets of the theory for easy solving

Theory of **arrays**: building one theory out of others Adding operators via definitions

# **Class Progress**



# Algorithms



# **Mixing Theories**

Converting first-order problems to a **standard form** Combining conjunctive form, prefix form, and satisfiability

Separating problems across different theories

Assigning atomic clauses to theories

#### Interfacing between theories

Matching assumptions in different domains

#### Solver Architecture

A standard prover for first-order logic

## The Goal



Impossible in general. Gödel, halting problem, etc...

Domain-specific reasoning is essential

Quantifiers instantiation difficult in general

Domains like integers have complex axiom schemas

Mosaic of **purpose-built fragments** to reason about

## The Problems

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**Domain-specific reasoning** is essential

→ Embed domain-specific solvers

Quantifiers instantiation difficult in general

→ Restrict to quantifier-alternation-free statements

→ Custom algorithms for using those axioms

Mosaic of purpose-built fragments to reason about
→ Split single statement across available fragments

# The Approach





### What Next?



#### **DPLL(T)** Simplified domain solver queries

## **DPLL review**

Algorithm finds **satisfying assignment** for boolean logic Maintains a set of **variable assignments** 

Statement p  $(\neg a_1 \lor a_2) \land (\neg b_1 \lor b_2) \land \dots$ Assignment  $\Gamma$  $a_1 \land \neg b_2 \land \dots$ 

Summary of the DPLL algorithm:

Extend  $\Gamma$  with **guessed or inferred** value until:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \Gamma \vdash p & \Gamma \vdash \neg p & \text{Can't extend } \Gamma \\ \textbf{SAT} & \textbf{BACKTRACK} & \textbf{UNSAT} \end{array}$$

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 $\Gamma \text{ is impossible } x < 0 \land (x \times x = 0) \land \dots$ 

What to do in this case?

Means algorithm chose bad assignments

Analogous to  $\Gamma \to \neg p \ \mathbf{case}$ 

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# **DPLL with Theories**

- O. Put into conjunctive form, simplify
  - 1. If assignment impossible, backtrack
- 2. If statement true, **return assignment**
- 3. If statement false, **backtrack**
- 4. Pick an atomic clause, try assigning True
- 5. If it doesn't work, **try assigning False**

# Building a Solver

DPLL(T) needs way to test if **assignment is possible** 

Assignment: AND of atomic clauses

Simpler than testing if **statement** is possible

Splits automated prover into two components

**DPLL: Boolean formula** 

Solver: Test assignment

### **Proving UNSAT**

Assigning tasks to different solvers

 $\neg a[x + y := 5][y + x] < 6$ 



			<b>G</b> Assignment
Integer	$\wedge$	<b>G</b> =	F < A
Array	$\wedge$	F =	E [ D ]
Array	$\wedge$	E =	a[ C := B]
Integer	$\wedge$	<b>D</b> =	y + x
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#### **Course Updates**

Assignment 2 Recitation

# Assignment 2

Expect this to be **harder** than assignment 1 Start early, **ask questions** on Piazza or after class We hope for **fewer installation problems** 

Recitation on Friday 13:00 MEB 3485

Will cover invoking Z3, its input and output format

Example of **solving equations** using Z3

# Survey Comments

I've noticed **fewer students** filling out the survey That's why **it's mandatory**!

It helps me correcting misconceptions, improve lectures

Several comments on content being too theoretical

It would be helpful to see some examples of code I'm having a hard time connecting content to how Z3 works [It] will start to make more sense when we start implementing

#### Interface Clauses

Ensuring two theories play nice



## Abstract Values

Generic data structures: values from another theory

How to represent values of **unknown sort**?

Only one valid operation: same or different

Arrays: abstract keys and abstract values

$$\begin{array}{c} ?1 \rightarrow ?2 \\ ?3 \rightarrow ?4 \\ \vdots \end{array}$$





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**Choose consistent assignment** of interface clauses Truth values added to **both theories**, enforce consistency











# Summary of Solvers



#### Next class: Equality

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TO IDENTITY

#### E-CLASSES

#### REPRESENTING RECURSIVE REPLACEMENT

#### REBUILDING

#### CREATING CONGRUENCE

#### CLOSURE

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