

# Proof Generation in CDSAT<sup>1</sup>

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The big picture

The CDSAT framework for SMT/SMA

Proof generation in CDSAT

Discussion

# Proofs in Automated Reasoning

- ▶ Validity query: `valid` / `invalid` / `don't know`
- ▶ Satisfiability query: `sat` / `unsat` / `don't know`
- ▶ Beyond ternary answers:
  - ▶ **Proof** of unsatisfiability or validity of the negation
  - ▶ **Model**: evidence of satisfiability or invalidity of the negation
  - ▶ Representation: formats, standardization
  - ▶ Manipulation: transformation, exchange, verification
  - ▶ Qualities: readability, useability, naturalness?

# Proofs in Automated Theorem Proving (ATP)

- ▶ Derivation:  $S_0 \vdash S_1 \vdash \dots S_i \vdash S_{i+1} \vdash \dots$
- ▶  $S_i$ : set of clauses
- ▶ Refutation:  $\exists k$  such that  $\square \in S_k$
- ▶ **Proof reconstruction**: extract **proof** from  $S_k$
- ▶ Proof: **ancestor-graph** of  $\square$  (dag or tree)
- ▶ Inference rules determine shape of the dag (e.g.: resolution, superposition, hyperresolution, simplification)

## Proofs in SAT Solving

- ▶ Derivation:  
 $(S_0; M_0) \rightsquigarrow (S_1; M_1) \rightsquigarrow \dots (S_i; M_i) \rightsquigarrow (S_{i+1}; M_{i+1}) \rightsquigarrow \dots$
- ▶  $M_i$ : trail of Boolean assignments
- ▶ Model found:  $\exists k$  such that  $M_k \models S_k$
- ▶ **Conflict explanation**: resolution btw **conflict clause** and **justification** (input or learned)
- ▶ Refutation: conflict clause is  $\square$
- ▶ Proof reconstruction: return **resolution proof** of  $\square$
- ▶ Encodings, simplification techniques

[Zhang, Malik: DATE 2003] [Cruz-Felipe et al.: CADE 2017]

## Proofs in SMT Solving

- ▶ Justifications: also learned **theory lemmas**
- ▶ Theory procedures may or may not produce proofs
- ▶ Proof reconstruction: return **resolution proof** of  $\square$  with:
  - ▶ Theory lemmas as leaves  
No theory sub-proofs or **black-box theory sub-proofs**
  - ▶ Theory lemmas as roots of **open-box theory sub-proofs**

[Fontaine et al.: TACAS 2006], [Bjørner, de Moura: IWIL 2008]

[Katz et al.: FMCAD 2016], [Barbosa et al.: JAR 2020]

# CDSAT (Conflict-Driven SATisfiability)

- ▶ SMT-problem: decide  $\mathcal{T}$ -satisfiability of a formula (set of clauses) for  $\mathcal{T} = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{T}_k$
- ▶ **Disjoint** theories and **quantifier-free** formulas
- ▶ CDSAT is a general framework for:
  - ▶ **Conflict-Driven** reasoning in the union  $\mathcal{T}$
  - ▶ Orchestrating  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -**inference systems**  $\mathcal{I}_k$  called **theory modules**
  - ▶ Treating propositional logic as one of the  $\mathcal{T}_k$ 's
  - ▶ Solving also **SMA-problems**
  - ▶ With **proof generation** assuming that the  $\mathcal{I}_k$ 's produce proofs

## Conflict-driven reasoning

- ▶ Procedure to determine satisfiability of a formula
- ▶ **Search** for a model by building candidate models
- ▶ Assignments + propagation through formulas
- ▶ **Conflict** btw model and formula: **explain** by inferences
- ▶ **Learn** generated **lemma** to avoid repetition
- ▶ Solve conflict by fixing model to satisfy learned lemma
- ▶ Nontrivial inferences **on demand** to respond to conflicts

CDSAT does it for a **generic** union  $\mathcal{T} = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{T}_k$



# Why CDSAT works with theory inference systems I

- ▶ CDCL (Conflict-Driven Clause Learning) procedure for SAT:  
conflict-driven reasoning for propositional logic  
[Marques Silva, Sakallah: ICCAD 1996, IEEE TOC 1999]  
[Davis, Putnam, Logeman, Loveland: JACM 1960, CACM 1962]
- ▶ Conflict-driven satisfiability procedures for other theories  
(e.g., fragments of arithmetic)

## Conflict-driven satisfiability procedures in arithmetic

- ▶ Decide satisfiability of sets of literals
- ▶ Assignments to atoms and **first-order** variables ( $x \leftarrow 3$ )
- ▶ Explanation of conflicts by **theory inferences**
- ▶ Learn lemmas that may contain **new** (non-input) atoms
- ▶ Nontrivial theory inferences **on demand** to respond to conflicts

[Korovin et al.: CP 2009] [McMillan et al.: CAV 2009]

[Cotton: FORMATS 2010] [Jovanović, de Moura: JAR 2013]

[Haller et al.: FMCAD 2012] [Jovanović, de Moura: IJCAR 2012]

[Brauß et al.: FroCoS 2019]

## Example: linear rational arithmetic

- ▶ Propagation as **evaluation**:  $y \leftarrow 0 \vdash_{\text{LRA}} \overline{y > 2}$
- ▶ Explanation of conflicts by **Fourier-Motzkin (FM) resolution**:  
 $\{x < -y, -y < -2\} \vdash_{\text{LRA}} x < -2$   
 $\{x + y < 0, -y + 2 < 0\} \vdash_{\text{LRA}} x + 2 < 0$   
It generates **new** (non-input) atoms
- ▶ **FM-resolution on demand** to respond to conflicts  
[Korovin et al.: CP 2009] [McMillan et al.: CAV 2009]  
[Cotton: FORMATS 2010]

**CDSAT** integrates an **LRA-module** with inference rules including **evaluation** and **FM-resolution**

## Why CDSAT works with theory inference systems II

- ▶ How to integrate CDCL and a conflict-driven satisfiability procedure for another theories?
- ▶ **MCSAT** (Model-Constructing SATisfiability)  
[de Moura, Jovanović: VMCAI 2013] [Jovanović et al.: FMCAD 2013]
- ▶ More general: **CDSAT**

## Why CDSAT works with theory inference systems III

CDSAT:

- ▶ Generalizes **MCSAT** to generic unions of disjoint theories
- ▶ No need for theory procedures to be model-constructing
- ▶ Provides a new paradigm for reasoning in unions of theories

Key abstraction in CDSAT:

- ▶ From **procedure** to **inference system**
- ▶ Conflict-driven mechanism provided centrally by CDSAT

## Why a new paradigm for theory combination

- ▶ Combination of theories by combination of procedures:  
**Equality sharing method** [Nelson, Oppen: ACM TOPLAS 1979]  
several variants
- ▶ Separation of the problem
- ▶  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -sat procedures combined as **black-boxes** that
  - ▶ Build **arrangement** of shared variables by
  - ▶ Exchanging entailed (disjunctions of) equalities
- ▶ Combination lemmas with requirement on theories  
(e.g., stably infinite, polite)
- ▶ A  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -sat procedure can be conflict-driven **inside the box**
- ▶ The combination itself is **not conflict-driven**

# Why treating propositional logic as one of the theories

DPLL( $\mathcal{T}$ ) aka CDCL( $\mathcal{T}$ ) with  $\mathcal{T} = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{T}_k$

[Nieuwenhuis et al.: JACM 2006] [Krstić, Goel: FroCoS 2007]:

- ▶ **CDCL** builds candidate propositional model  $\mathcal{M}$
- ▶ **Satellite**  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -satisfiability procedures
  - ▶ Combined by equality sharing as **black-boxes**
  - ▶ Signal  **$\mathcal{T}$ -conflicts** in  $\mathcal{M}$  and contribute  **$\mathcal{T}$ -lemmas**
- ▶ **Conflict-driven** inferences: **only propositional** (resolution)

# CDSAT: a new paradigm for theory combination I

- ▶ CDCL loses centrality:  
Not the only conflict-driven procedure
- ▶ Resolution loses centrality:  
Not the only rule for conflict explanation
- ▶ Multiple theory modules access the trail, post assignments, perform inferences, explain  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -conflicts, deduce lemmas
- ▶ Combination of theories by **cooperation of theory modules**



# CDSAT: a new paradigm for theory combination II

- ▶ Propositional logic as theory **Bool**
- ▶ No conflict-driven  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -sat procedure?  
**Black-box** theory module  $L_1, \dots, L_m \vdash_k \perp$   
invokes the  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -procedure to detect  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -unsat
- ▶ All **theory modules** contribute directly to the **proof**:  
Not necessarily **resolution** + **black-box**  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -subproofs

# CDSAT generalizes SMT to SMA

- ▶ **SMA**: Satisfiability **Modulo** theories and **Assignments**
- ▶ Generalize first-order assignments of conflict-driven theory procedures: from  $x \leftarrow 3$  to  $t \leftarrow c$
- ▶ Everything is assignment:  $t \leftarrow \text{true}$ ,  $t \leftarrow \text{false}$ ,  $t \leftarrow b$
- ▶ Formulas as terms of sort **prop** (from proposition)
- ▶ Mixed assignments:  $(x > 1) \leftarrow \text{false}$ ,  $x \leftarrow 3$ ,  $\text{select}(a, j) \leftarrow 3$
- ▶ Difference btw  $x \leftarrow 3$  and  $(x \simeq 3) \leftarrow \text{true}$
- ▶ Theory values made available by **theory extensions**

## Plausible assignment

- ▶ An assignment is **plausible** if it does not contain  $L \leftarrow \text{true}$  and  $L \leftarrow \text{false}$
- ▶ Assignments are required to be **plausible**
- ▶ A **plausible** assignment may contain  $\{t \leftarrow 3.1, u \leftarrow 5.4, t \leftarrow \text{green}, u \leftarrow \text{yellow}\}$  two by  $\mathcal{T}_1$  and two by  $\mathcal{T}_2$
- ▶ When building a model from this assignment 3.1 is identified with green and 5.4 with yellow

## Problems as assignments

- ▶ **Boolean assignment**: Boolean values
- ▶ **First-order assignment**: non-Boolean values
- ▶ **Satisfiability Modulo Theory (SMT) problem**: a plausible Boolean assignment
- ▶ **Satisfiability Modulo theory and Assignment (SMA) problem**: a plausible assignment with both Boolean and first-order assignments
- ▶ Relevant to:
  - ▶ **Optimization problems** [de Moura, Passmore: ADDCT 2013]
  - ▶ Parallelization (e.g., cube-and-conquer for SMT)

## Theory view of an assignment

- ▶ The  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -view  $H_k$  of an assignment  $H$ :
  - ▶ The  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -assignments in  $H$ : those that assign  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -values
  - ▶  $u \simeq t$  if there are  $u \leftarrow c$  and  $t \leftarrow c$  in  $H$
  - ▶  $u \not\simeq t$  if there are  $u \leftarrow c$  and  $t \leftarrow q$  in  $H$

$u$  and  $t$  of a sort known to  $\mathcal{T}_k$
- ▶ **Global view:**
  - ▶ The  $\mathcal{T}$ -view of  $H$  for  $\mathcal{T} = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{T}_k$
  - ▶  $H_{\mathcal{T}}$  has everything
- ▶ Example:  $\{x \leftarrow 3, y \leftarrow 3, z \leftarrow 4\} \subseteq H$ :  
 $\{x \simeq y, x \not\simeq z, y \not\simeq z\} \subseteq H_k$   
for all  $\mathcal{T}_k$  having the sort of  $x, y$ , and  $z$

## Assignments and models: endorsement

- ▶ Model  $\mathcal{M}$  **endorses** ( $\models$ )  $u \leftarrow c$ :  
 $\mathcal{M}$  interprets  $u$  and  $c$  as the same element
- ▶  $u \leftarrow c, t \leftarrow c$ :  $\mathcal{M}$  endorses  $u \simeq t$
- ▶  $u \leftarrow c, t \leftarrow q$ :  $\mathcal{M}$  endorses  $u \not\simeq t$   
if  $\mathcal{M}$  endorses the **theory view**
- ▶  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -satisfiable: a  $\mathcal{T}_k^+$ -model endorses the  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -view
- ▶  $\mathcal{T}$ -satisfiable: a  $\mathcal{T}^+$ -model endorses the global view  
(**global endorsement**)

## Theory modules

- ▶ For theories  $\mathcal{T}_1, \dots, \mathcal{T}_n$  **theory modules**  $\mathcal{I}_1, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n$ 
  - ▶ **Inference**  $J \vdash_k L$
  - ▶  $J$  is a  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -assignment
  - ▶  $L$  is a **singleton Boolean assignment**
- ▶ **Sound**: if  $J \vdash_k L$  then  $J \models L$
- ▶  $J \models L$ : if  $\mathcal{M} \models J_k$  then  $\mathcal{M} \models L$
- ▶ **Local basis**:  $\text{basis}_k(X)$  contains all terms that  $\mathcal{I}_k$  can generate from set of terms  $X$
- ▶ **Complete**: can expand any plausible  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -assignment not endorsed by a  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -model

## Equality inferences

All theory modules include **equality inferences**:

- ▶ Reflexivity:  $\vdash t \simeq t$
- ▶ Symmetry:  $t \simeq s \vdash s \simeq t$
- ▶ Transitivity:  $t \simeq s, s \simeq u \vdash t \simeq u$
- ▶ Same value:  $t \leftarrow c, s \leftarrow c \vdash t \simeq s$
- ▶ Different values:  $t \leftarrow c, s \leftarrow q \vdash t \not\simeq s$

With first-order assignments, there are two ways to make  $t \simeq s$  true:  $(t \simeq s) \leftarrow \text{true}$  and  $\{t \leftarrow c, s \leftarrow c\}$



## Sample theory modules

- ▶ Theory module for **Bool**: abstraction of CDCL
- ▶ Theory module for **EUF**: abstraction of congruence closure
- ▶ Theory module for **Arrays**: inference rules building-in the axioms
- ▶ Theory module for **LRA**: abstraction of LRA-procedure with FM-resolution applied only to explain conflicts

# Soundness, termination, and completeness of CDSAT

- ▶ **Soundness:** the theory modules are sound
- ▶ **Termination:**
  - ▶ **Finite global basis**  $\mathcal{B}$  from which all **new** terms are drawn
  - ▶ It can be built from the local bases of the theory modules
- ▶ **Completeness:**
  - ▶ There is a **leading theory**:  $\mathcal{T}_1$  has all the sorts in  $\mathcal{T}$
  - ▶ Module  $\mathcal{I}_1$  is complete for  $\mathcal{T}_1$
  - ▶ Every other module  $\mathcal{I}_k$  is **leading-theory-complete**:  
can expand any plausible  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -assignment not endorsed by a  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -model agreeing with a  $\mathcal{T}_1$ -model on cardinalities of shared sorts and equality of shared terms

# Proofs in CDSAT

- ▶ Proof objects in memory (checkable by proof checker)
  - ▶ The theory modules produce proofs
  - ▶ **Proof-carrying CDSAT** transition system
  - ▶ The CDSAT proof terms as proofs, or
  - ▶ Proof reconstruction: from proof terms to proofs (e.g., resolution proofs)
- ▶ LCF style as in interactive theorem proving (correct by construction)
  - ▶ Trusted kernel of primitives

## CDSAT trail: a sequence of assignments

- ▶ Each assignment is a **decision**  $?A$  or a **justified assignment**  $H \vdash A$
- ▶ **Decision**: either **Boolean** or **first-order**; opens the next level
- ▶ **Justification** of  $A$ : set  $H$  of assignments that appear before  $A$ 
  - ▶ Due to an inference  $H \vdash_k A$ : **proof term** from  $\mathcal{I}_k$
  - ▶ Input assignment ( $H = \emptyset$ ): **proof term**  $in(A)$
  - ▶ Due to conflict solving: **proof term** for the learned lemma
  - ▶ **Boolean** or input **first-order** assignment in **SMA**
- ▶ Level of  $A$ : max among those of the elements of  $H$
- ▶ A justified assignment of level 5 may appear after a decision of level 6: **late propagation**; a trail is not a stack

## The CDSAT transition system

- ▶ **Trail rules:** Decide, Deduce, Fail, ConflictSolve
- ▶ Apply to the trail  $\Gamma$
- ▶ **Conflict state rules:** UndoClear, Resolve, UndoDecide, LearnBackjump
- ▶ Apply to trail and conflict:  $\langle \Gamma; H; c \rangle$ 
  - ▶ **Conflict:**  $H \subseteq \Gamma$  is an unsatisfiable assignment
  - ▶ **Conflict proof term**  $c$  for  $H \vdash \perp$
- ▶ Parameter: **finite global basis**  $\mathcal{B}$

## The CDSAT trail rules: Decide

**Decide:**  $\Gamma \longrightarrow \Gamma, ?(u \leftarrow c)$

adds decision  $?(u \leftarrow c)$

if  $u \leftarrow c$  is an **acceptable**  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -assignment for  $\mathcal{I}_k$  in  $\Gamma_k$ :

- ▶  $\Gamma_k$  does not already assign a  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -value to  $u$
- ▶  $u \leftarrow c$  first-order: it does not happen  $J \cup \{u \leftarrow c\} \vdash_k L$   
where  $J \subseteq \Gamma_k$  and  $\bar{L} \in \Gamma_k$
- ▶  $u$  is **relevant** to  $\mathcal{T}_k$ :  
either  $u$  occurs in  $\Gamma_k$  and  $\mathcal{T}_k$  has  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -values for its sort;  
or  $u$  is an equality whose sides occur in  $\Gamma_k$ ,  
 $\mathcal{T}_k$  has their sort, but not  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -values

## Examples: acceptability and relevance

- ▶  $L \in \Gamma$ : both  $L$  and  $\bar{L}$  are unacceptable for all modules
- ▶  $\{x \leftarrow 1, \overline{x < y}\} \subseteq \Gamma$ :  
 $y \leftarrow 2$  is unacceptable for LRA  
as  $\{x \leftarrow 1, y \leftarrow 2\} \vdash_{\text{LRA}} x < y$  by LRA-evaluation
- ▶  $\{f(u_1) \leftarrow \text{red}, u_2 \leftarrow \text{yellow}\} \subseteq \Gamma$   
where  $f$  is a function from colors to colors:  
 $u_1 \leftarrow \text{yellow}$  is relevant to a theory of colors  
 $u_1 \simeq u_2$  is relevant to EUF  
if EUF has the sort of colors

## Forced decisions

- ▶  $u \leftarrow c$  is a **forced decision** if  $c$  is the only acceptable value for  $u$
- ▶ Examples:
  - ▶  $u \leftarrow c$  is forced for EUF if  $\{u \simeq t, t \leftarrow c\} \subseteq \Gamma$
  - ▶  $u \leftarrow c$  is forced for LRA if  $\{u \leq t, t \leq u, t \leftarrow c\} \subseteq \Gamma$
  - ▶  $y \leftarrow 2$  is forced for LRA if  $\{x \leftarrow 1, (x + y) \leftarrow 3\} \subseteq \Gamma$



## The CDSAT trail rules: Deduce

**Deduce:**  $\Gamma \longrightarrow \Gamma, J \vdash L$

- ▶ Adds justified assignment  $J \vdash L$ 
  - ▶  $J \vdash_k L$ , for some  $k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $J \subseteq \Gamma$ , and  $L \notin \Gamma$
  - ▶  $\bar{L} \notin \Gamma$
  - ▶  $L$  is in  $\mathcal{B}$  (finite global basis)
- ▶ Covers  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -propagation and  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -conflict explanation
- ▶  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -module produces  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -proof  
coerced into CDSAT deduction proof term

## Example: Deduce as propagation

1. **Decide:**  $u_2 \leftarrow \text{yellow}$  (level 1)
2. **Decide:**  $f(u_1) \leftarrow \text{red}$  (level 2)
3. **Decide:**  $u_1 \leftarrow \text{yellow}$  (level 3)
4. **Decide:**  $f(u_2) \leftarrow \text{blue}$  (level 4)
5. **Deduce:**  $u_1 \simeq u_2$  (level 3) /\* equality inference \*/
6. **Deduce:**  $f(u_1) \simeq f(u_2)$  (level 3) /\* EUF-inference \*/

The **Deduce** steps are **late propagations**

## Example: a conflict emerges

1. **Decide:**  $u_2 \leftarrow \text{yellow}$  (level 1)
2. **Decide:**  $f(u_1) \leftarrow \text{red}$  (level 2)
3. **Decide:**  $u_1 \leftarrow \text{yellow}$  (level 3)
4. **Decide:**  $f(u_2) \leftarrow \text{blue}$  (level 4)
5. **Deduce:**  $u_1 \simeq u_2$  (level 3) /\* late propagation \*/
6. **Deduce:**  $f(u_1) \simeq f(u_2)$  (level 3) /\* late propagation \*/
7.  $\{f(u_1) \leftarrow \text{red}, f(u_2) \leftarrow \text{blue}\} \vdash f(u_1) \not\approx f(u_2)$ : **conflict**  
by any theory module since it is an equality inference

## The CDSAT trail rules: Fail

- ▶  $J \vdash_k L$ , for some  $k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $J \subseteq \Gamma$ ,  $L \notin \Gamma$
- ▶  $\bar{L} \in \Gamma$ :  $J \cup \{\bar{L}\}$  is a **conflict**
- ▶ If  $d$  is a **deduction proof term** for  $J \vdash L$   
 $cfl(d, \bar{L})$  is a **conflict proof term** for  $J \cup \{\bar{L}\} \vdash \perp$
- ▶ Conflict state:  $\langle \Gamma; J \cup \{\bar{L}\}; cfl(d, \bar{L}) \rangle$
- ▶ If the conflict-state rules transform it into  $\langle \Gamma; \emptyset; c \rangle$   
where empty conflict  $\emptyset$  yields empty clause  $\square$ :  
**Fail**:  $\Gamma \longrightarrow \text{unsat}(c)$  declares **unsatisfiability** returning **the proof term** for  $\square$

## The CDSAT trail rules: ConflictSolve

- ▶  $J \vdash_k L$ , for some  $k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $J \subseteq \Gamma$ ,  $L \notin \Gamma$
- ▶  $\bar{L} \in \Gamma$ :  $J \cup \{\bar{L}\}$  is a **conflict**
- ▶ If  $d$  is a **deduction proof term** for  $J \vdash L$   
 $cfl(d, \bar{L})$  is a **conflict proof term** for  $J \cup \{\bar{L}\} \vdash \perp$
- ▶ Conflict state:  $\langle \Gamma; J \cup \{\bar{L}\}; cfl(d, \bar{L}) \rangle$
- ▶ If the conflict-state rules transform it into  $\Gamma'$ :  
**ConflictSolve**:  $\Gamma \longrightarrow \Gamma'$  as the conflict is solved

# Explanation of conflicts in CDSAT

- ▶ Explanation of a  $\mathcal{T}_k$ -conflict by  $\mathcal{I}_k$ -inferences encapsulated as **Deduce** steps: **CDSAT** not in conflict state
- ▶ Until the conflict surfaces as a Boolean conflict:  
 $J \vdash_k L$  and  $\bar{L} \in \Gamma$   
 $J \cup \{\bar{L}\}$  is a **conflict**
- ▶ **CDSAT** switches to conflict state  $\langle \Gamma; E; c \rangle$
- ▶ Explanation of conflict  $E$  by replacing justified assignments in  $E$  with their justifications: **Resolve** transition rule

## The CDSAT conflict state rules: Resolve

**Resolve:**  $\langle \Gamma; E \uplus \{A\}; c \rangle \Longrightarrow \langle \Gamma; E \cup H; \text{res}(d, A.c) \rangle$

- ▶  $A$  is a justified assignment  $H \vdash A$
- ▶ Replace  $A$  by its justification  $H$
- ▶  $d$ : deduction proof term for  $H \vdash A$   
 $c$ : conflict proof term for  $E \uplus \{A\} \vdash \perp$   
 $\text{res}(d, A.c)$ : conflict proof term for  $E \cup H \vdash \perp$ 
  - ▶  $A$  can be a Boolean or a first-order assignment
  - ▶ If  $A$  is first-order, it comes from the input  
( $H = \emptyset$  and  $d = \text{in}(A)$ ):  
**Resolve** removes it from the conflict (not from the trail)

## The CDSAT conflict state rules: UndoClear

The conflict contains a **first-order** assignment that **stands out** as its level is maximum in the conflict:

**UndoClear**:  $\langle \Gamma; E \uplus \{A\}; c \rangle \Longrightarrow \Gamma^{\leq m-1}$

- ▶  $A$  is a first-order decision of level  $m > \text{level}_{\Gamma}(E)$
- ▶ Removes  $A$  and all assignments of level  $\geq m$
- ▶  $\Gamma^{\leq m-1}$ :  $\Gamma$  **restricted** to its elements of level at most  $m-1$
- ▶  $\Gamma^{\leq m-1}$  is **new** because it must contain a **late propagation**
- ▶ No role in proof generation: first-order decisions are for models, not proofs
- ▶ Only input first-order assignments may appear in proofs



## Example: UndoClear

1. **Decide:**  $u_2 \leftarrow \text{yellow}$  (level 1)
2. **Decide:**  $f(u_1) \leftarrow \text{red}$  (level 2)
3. **Decide:**  $u_1 \leftarrow \text{yellow}$  (level 3)
4. **Decide:**  $f(u_2) \leftarrow \text{blue}$  (level 4)
5. **Deduce:**  $u_1 \simeq u_2$  (level 3) /\* late propagation \*/
6. **Deduce:**  $f(u_1) \simeq f(u_2)$  (level 3) /\* late propagation \*/
7. **Conflict:**  $\{f(u_1) \simeq f(u_2), f(u_1) \leftarrow \text{red}, f(u_2) \leftarrow \text{blue}\}$
8. **UndoClear:** undoes  $f(u_2) \leftarrow \text{blue}$
9. **Decide:**  $f(u_2) \leftarrow \text{red}$  (level 4) /\* only acceptable value \*/

## The CDSAT conflict state rules: Resolve again

**Resolve:**  $\langle \Gamma; E \uplus \{A\}; c \rangle \Longrightarrow \langle \Gamma; E \cup H; \text{res}(d, A.c) \rangle$

- ▶  $A$  is a justified assignment  $H \vdash A$
- ▶ Replace  $A$  by its justification  $H$
- ▶ **Provided**  $H$  does not contain a first-order decision  $A'$  that **stands out** as its level is maximum in the conflict ( $\text{level}_{\Gamma}(A') = \text{level}_{\Gamma}(E \uplus \{A\})$ )
- ▶ Avoiding a Resolve–UndoClear–Decide loop
- ▶ And what if there is such an  $A'$ ? **UndoDecide** rule

## The CDSAT conflict state rules: UndoDecide

**UndoDecide:**  $\langle \Gamma; E \uplus \{L\}; c \rangle \Longrightarrow \Gamma^{\leq m-1}, ?\bar{L}$

- ▶  $L$  is a Boolean justified assignment  $H \vdash L$  such that
  - ▶  $H$  contains a first-order decision  $A'$
  - ▶  $\text{level}_{\Gamma}(A') = \text{level}_{\Gamma}(L) = \text{level}_{\Gamma}(E) = m$
- ▶ **UndoDecide** removes  $A'$  and decides  $\bar{L}$
- ▶  $A'$  is first-order and cannot be flipped (first-order decisions do not have complement)
- ▶ The Boolean  $L$  that depends on  $A'$  can be flipped
- ▶ No role in proof generation like for UndoClear

## Example of UndoDecide

$\Gamma = x > 1 \vee y < 0, x < -1 \vee y > 0$  (level 0)

1. **Decide:**  $x \leftarrow 0$  (level 1)

2. **Deduce:**  $\overline{x > 1}$  with justification  $x \leftarrow 0$  (level 1)

$\overline{x < -1}$  with justification  $x \leftarrow 0$  (level 1)

$y < 0$  with justification  $\{x > 1 \vee y < 0, \overline{x > 1}\}$  (level 1)

$y > 0$  with justification  $\{x < -1 \vee y > 0, \overline{x < -1}\}$  (level 1)

3. **LRA-conflict:**  $\{y < 0, y > 0\}$

4. **Resolve:**  $\{x > 1 \vee y < 0, x < -1 \vee y > 0, \overline{x > 1}, \overline{x < -1}\}$

5. **UndoDecide:**  $x > 1$  (level 1)

## The CDSAT conflict state rules: LearnBackjump

**LearnBackjump:**  $\langle \Gamma; E \uplus H; c \rangle \Longrightarrow \Gamma^{\leq m}, E \vdash F$

- ▶  $H$  contains only **Boolean** assignments:  $H$  as  $L_1 \wedge \dots \wedge L_k$
- ▶ Since  $H_0 \cup (E \uplus H) \models \perp$ , it is  $H_0 \cup E \models \overline{L_1} \vee \dots \vee \overline{L_k}$  for  $H_0$  the input
- ▶ **Learned lemma:**  $F = \overline{L_1} \vee \dots \vee \overline{L_k}$  ( $F \notin \Gamma, \overline{F} \notin \Gamma, F \in \mathcal{B}$ )
- ▶ Choice of level where to **backjump** to:  
 $\text{level}_\Gamma(E) \leq m < \text{level}_\Gamma(H)$
- ▶ If it picks  $\text{level}_\Gamma(E) = 0$ : **learn and restart**
- ▶ If  $c$  is a **conflict proof term** for  $E \uplus H \vdash \perp$   
 $\text{lem}(H.c)$  is a **deduction proof term** for  $E \vdash F$

## Example of Resolve towards LearnBackjump

$\Gamma$  includes:  $(\neg L_4 \vee L_5)$ ,  $(\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4 \vee \neg L_5)$  (level 0)

1. **Decide:**  $A_1$  (level 1)
2. **Decide:**  $L_2$  (level 2)
3. **Decide:**  $A_3$  (level 3)
4. **Decide:**  $L_4$  (level 4)
5. **Deduce:**  $L_5$  with justification  $\{\neg L_4 \vee L_5, L_4\}$  (level 4)
6. **Conflict:**  $\{\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4 \vee \neg L_5, L_2, L_4, L_5\}$   
 $\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4 \vee \neg L_5$  is the CDCL conflict clause
7. **Resolve:**  $\{\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4 \vee \neg L_5, L_2, L_4, \neg L_4 \vee L_5\}$   
 $\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4$  is the next CDCL conflict clause (resolvent of previous one and CDCL justification  $\neg L_4 \vee L_5$ ) and first assertion clause

## Examples of learning and backjumping by LearnBackjump

Conflict:  $\{\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4 \vee \neg L_5, L_2, L_4, \neg L_4 \vee L_5\}$

- ▶ **LearnBackjump** with  $H = \{L_2, L_4\}$ :  
learns the first assertion clause  $\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4$  with justification  $\{\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4 \vee \neg L_5, \neg L_4 \vee L_5\}$  (level 0)
- ▶ With destination level  $m = 0$ : **restart** from  $(\neg L_4 \vee L_5), (\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4 \vee \neg L_5), (\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4)$
- ▶ With destination level  $m = 2$ :
  - ▶ **Backjump** to  $(\neg L_4 \vee L_5), (\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4 \vee \neg L_5), A_1, L_2, (\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4)$
  - ▶ **Deduce**:  $\neg L_4$  with justification  $\{\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_4, L_2\}$

## Current and future work

- ▶ CDSAT search plans: both **global** and **local** issues
  - ▶ Heuristic strategies to make decisions, prioritize theory inferences, control lemma learning
  - ▶ Efficient techniques to detect the applicability of theory inference rules and the acceptability of assignments
- ▶ More theory modules (e.g., real arithmetic)
- ▶ Unions of **non-disjoint** theories (e.g., **bridging functions**)
- ▶ Formulas with quantifiers: CDSAT(**SGGS**)



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