

Maximum Satisfiability in Software Analysis: Applications & Techniques

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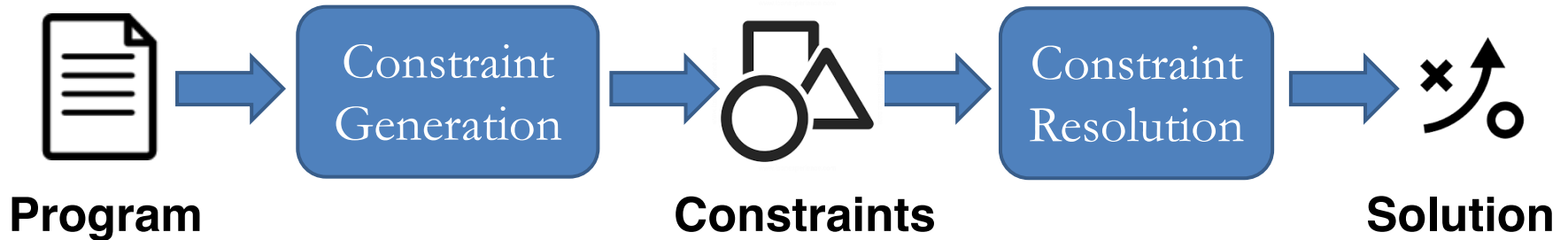
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Constraint-Based Software Analysis



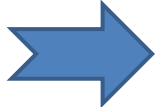
- ▶ Long history
 - ▶ Type constraints, set constraints, SAT/SMT constraints
- ▶ Many benefits
 - ▶ Separates analysis specification from implementation
 - ▶ Allows to leverage sophisticated off-the-shelf solvers
 - ▶ Yields natural program specifications
 - ▶ ...

Challenges in Software Analysis

But constraint-based approach is not well-suited for ...

- ▶ Balancing trade-offs
 - ▶ e.g. precision vs. scalability
- ▶ Handling uncertainty
 - ▶ e.g. incorrect specifications
- ▶ Modeling missing information
 - ▶ e.g. incomplete programs

An Emerging Approach

Constraint **Satisfaction**  Constraint **Optimization**

- ▶ Balancing trade-offs
 - ▶ e.g. precision vs. scalability
- ▶ Handling uncertainty
 - ▶ e.g. incorrect specifications
- ▶ Modeling missing information
 - ▶ e.g. incomplete programs



Objectives

The Maximum Satisfiability Problem

SAT:

a	\wedge	(C1)
$\neg a \vee b$	\wedge	(C2)
$\neg b \vee c$	\wedge	(C3)
$\neg c \vee d$	\wedge	(C4)
$\neg d$		(C5)

The Maximum Satisfiability Problem

MaxSAT:

	$a \wedge$	(C1)
	$\neg a \vee b \wedge$	(C2)
4:	$\neg b \vee c \wedge$	(C3)
2:	$\neg c \vee d \wedge$	(C4)
7:	$\neg d$	(C5)

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Subject to	C1
	C2
Maximize	$4 \times C3 + 2 \times C4 + 7 \times C5$

Solution: $a = \text{true}$, $b = \text{true}$, $c = \text{true}$, $d = \text{false}$
(Objective = 11)

The Maximum Satisfiability Problem

+ Expressive
for our problems

Hard

Soundness Conditions

+
Soft

Objectives

Balancing
tradeoffs
(e.g., precision
vs. scalability)

Handling
uncertainty
(e.g., incorrect
specs)

Modeling
missing data
(e.g., partial
programs)

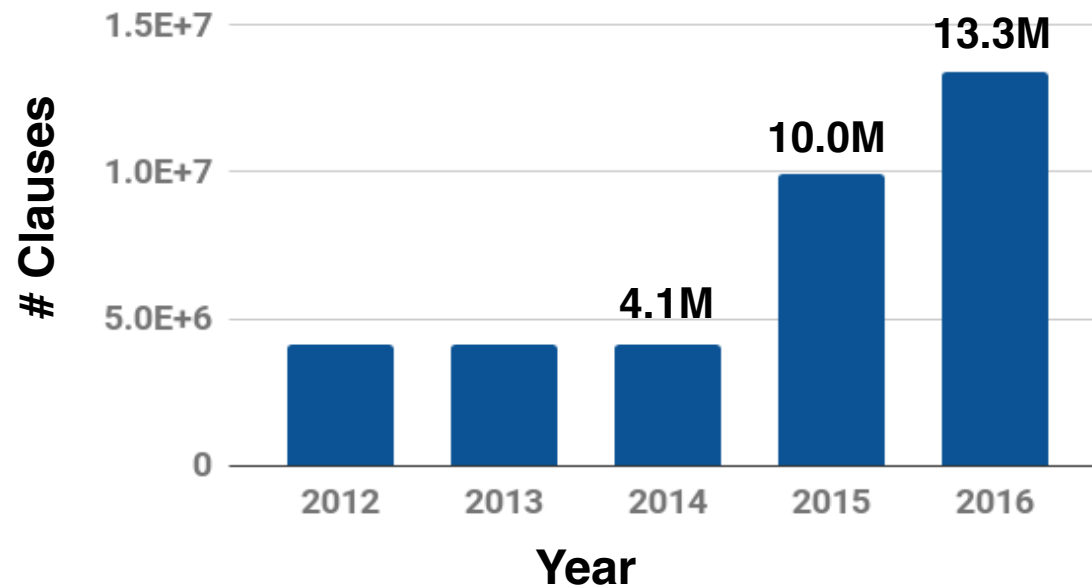
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The Maximum Satisfiability Problem

+ Expressive
for our problems

+ Efficient
(and improving) solvers

Largest instance solved in MaxSAT competition:



The Maximum Satisfiability Problem

+ **Expressive**
for our problems

+ **Efficient**
(and improving) solvers

$\forall x. \text{path}(x, x)$
 $\wedge \quad \forall x, y, z. \text{path}(x, y) \wedge \text{edge}(y, z) \Rightarrow \text{path}(x, z)$
 \wedge **1.5:** $\forall x, y. \neg \text{path}(x, y)$

– Cannot concisely
specify our problems
(lacks quantifiers)

– Loses high-level
structure that solvers
could exploit

The Maximum Satisfiability Problem

+ Expressive

+ Efficient

**How to overcome limitations of MaxSAT
while retaining its benefits?**

- $\forall x. \text{path}(x, x)$
- $\wedge \quad \forall x, y, z. \text{path}(x, y) \wedge \text{edge}(y, z) \Rightarrow \text{path}(x, z)$
- \wedge **1.5:** $\forall x, y. \neg \text{path}(x, y)$

**A solution: Markov Logic Network (MLN)
[Richardson & Domingos, 2006]**

specify our problems
(lacks quantifiers)

structure that solvers
could exploit

Markov Logic Network: Syntax

(constraints) $C ::= (H, S)$

(hard constraints) $H ::= \{h_1, \dots, h_n\}, \quad h ::= \bigwedge_{i=1}^n t_i \Rightarrow \bigvee_{i=1}^m t_i'$

(soft constraints) $S ::= \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}, \quad s ::= w : h$

(fact) $t ::= r(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ (ground fact) $g ::= r(c_1, \dots, c_n)$

(argument) $a ::= v \mid c$ (input, output) $P, Q \subseteq \mathbf{G}$

Example:

$\forall x. \text{path}(x, x)$

$\bigwedge \quad \forall x, y, z. \text{path}(x, y) \wedge \text{edge}(y, z) \Rightarrow \text{path}(x, z)$

\bigwedge **1.5:** $\forall x, y. \neg \text{path}(x, y)$

Datalog-like Notation

Input relations:

edge(x, y)

Hard constraints:

path(x, x).

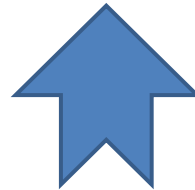
path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).

Output relations:

path(x, y)

Soft constraints:

\neg path(x, y). **weight 1.5**



Example:

$\forall x. \text{path}(x, x)$

$\wedge \forall x, y, z. \text{path}(x, y) \wedge \text{edge}(y, z) \Rightarrow \text{path}(x, z)$

\wedge **1.5:** $\forall x, y. \neg \text{path}(x, y)$

Markov Logic Network: Grounding

(valuation) $\sigma \in \mathbf{V} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$

$$\llbracket (H, S) \rrbracket = (\llbracket H \rrbracket, \llbracket S \rrbracket)$$

$$\llbracket \{ h_1, \dots, h_n \} \rrbracket = \bigwedge_{i=1}^n \llbracket h_i \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket \{ s_1, \dots, s_n \} \rrbracket = \bigwedge_{i=1}^n \llbracket s_i \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket h \rrbracket = \bigwedge_{\sigma} \llbracket h \rrbracket_{\sigma}$$

$$\llbracket w : h \rrbracket = \bigwedge_{\sigma} (w, \llbracket h \rrbracket_{\sigma})$$

$$\llbracket \bigwedge_{i=1}^n t_i \implies \bigvee_{i=1}^m t'_i \rrbracket_{\sigma} = \bigvee_{i=1}^n \neg \llbracket t_i \rrbracket_{\sigma} \vee \bigvee_{i=1}^m \llbracket t'_i \rrbracket_{\sigma}$$

$$\llbracket r(a_1, \dots, a_n) \rrbracket_{\sigma} = r(\sigma(a_1), \dots, \sigma(a_n))$$

$$\llbracket v \rrbracket_{\sigma} = \sigma(v)$$

$$\llbracket c \rrbracket_{\sigma} = c$$

Markov Logic Network: Semantics

- ▶ Conceptually, two steps:
 - ▶ Step 1: Ground the MLN instance
 - ▶ Substitute quantifiers by all possible valuations to constants, to yield a MaxSAT instance
 - ▶ Step 2: Solve the MaxSAT instance
 - ▶ Using off-the-shelf MaxSAT solver
- ▶ Challenge: both steps intractable for our problems
 - ▶ MaxSAT instances can comprise upto 10^{30} clauses!
- ▶ Solution: Iterative lazy refinement

Markov Logic Network: Example

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

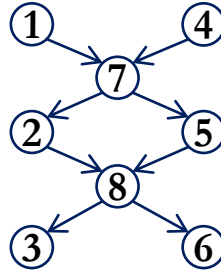
Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

$\neg path(x, y).$ **weight 1.5**



Input:

$edge(1, 7), edge(4, 7), \dots$

Grounding



Hard clauses:

$edge(1, 7) \wedge edge(4, 7) \wedge \dots \wedge$
 $path(1, 1) \wedge path(2, 2) \wedge \dots \wedge$
 $(path(1, 1) \vee \neg path(1, 1) \vee \neg edge(1, 1)) \wedge$
 $(path(1, 2) \vee \neg path(1, 1) \vee \neg edge(1, 2)) \wedge$
 $(path(1, 2) \vee \neg path(1, 2) \vee \neg edge(2, 2)) \wedge$
 \dots

Soft clauses:

$(\neg path(1, 1) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $(\neg path(1, 2) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 \dots

Solving



Output:

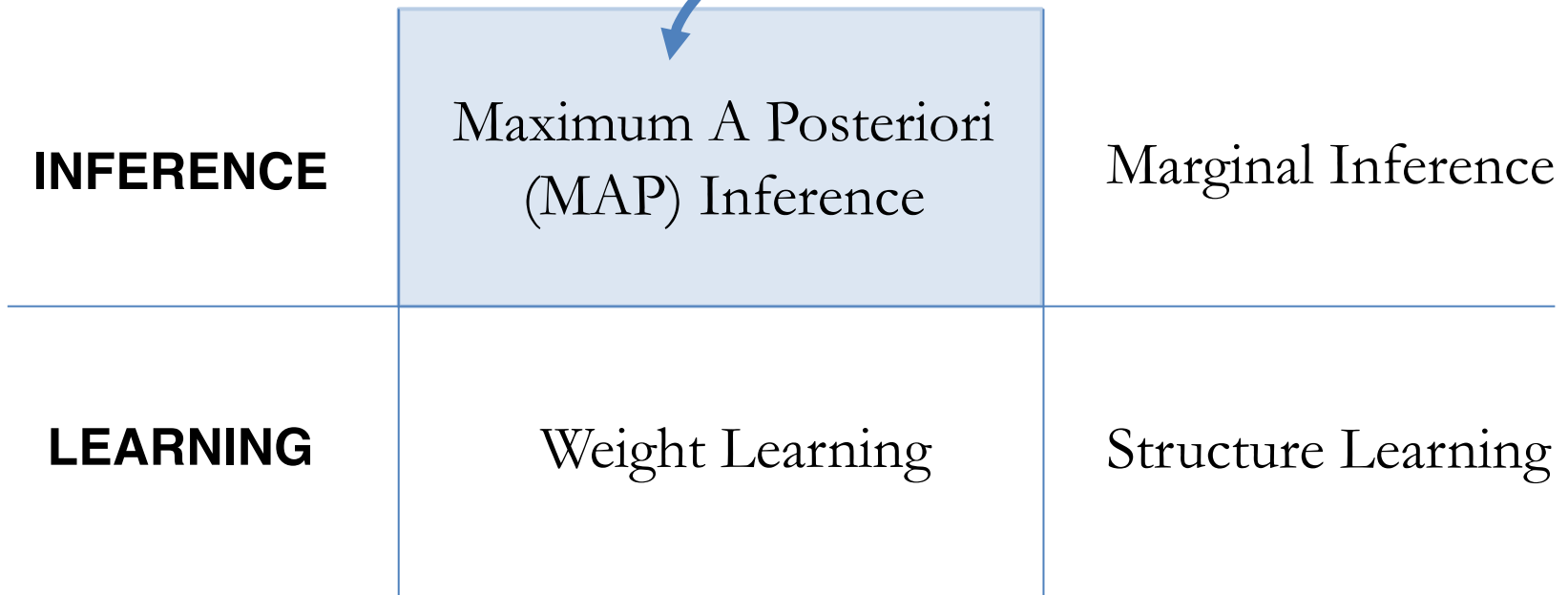
$path(1, 1) = T, path(2, 2) = T,$

$path(1, 2) = T, path(2, 1) = F,$

\dots

Landscape of Problems

Focus of this Talk



$\forall x. \text{path}(x, x)$

$\wedge \forall x, y, z. \text{path}(x, y) \wedge \text{edge}(y, z) \Rightarrow \text{path}(x, z)$

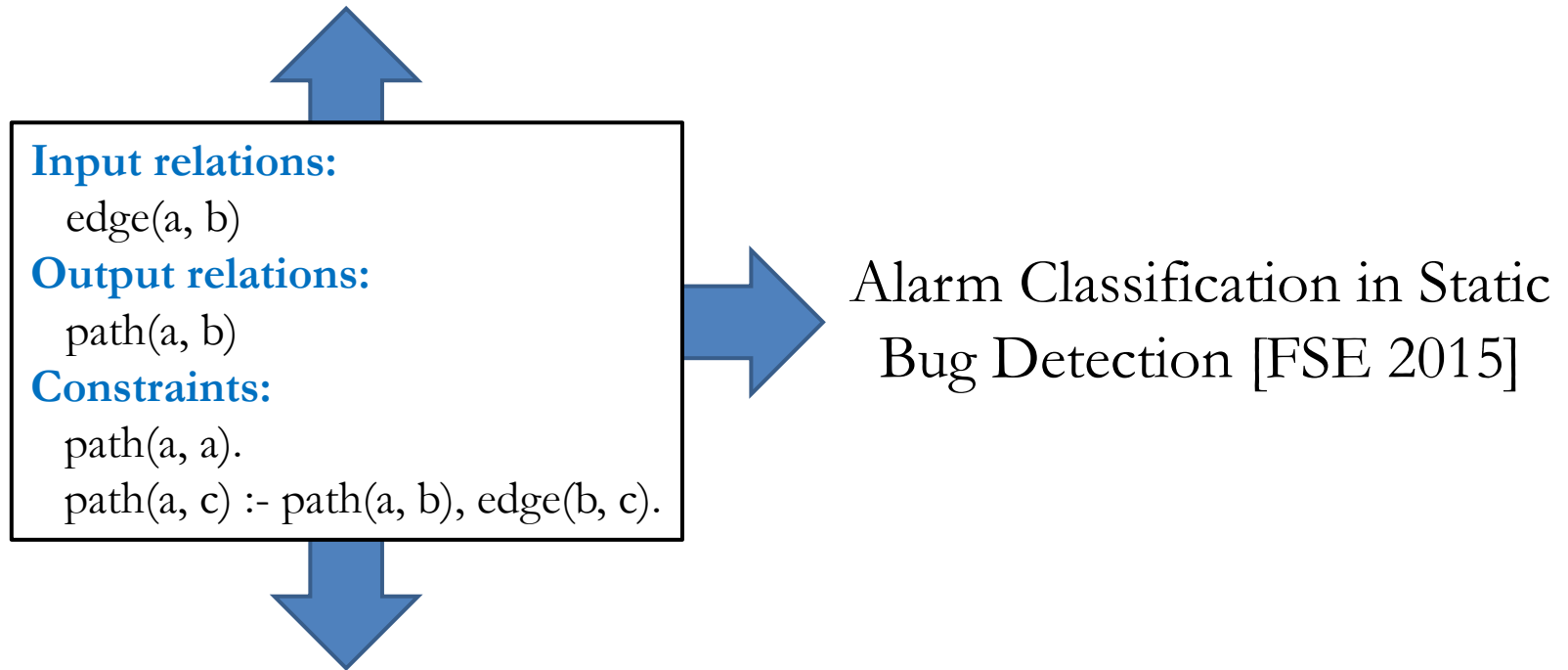
\wedge **1.5:** $\forall x, y. \neg \text{path}(x, y)$

Talk Outline

- ▶ Background
- ▶ Part I: Applications in Software Analysis
- ▶ Part II: Techniques for MaxSAT Solving
- ▶ Conclusion

Applications in Software Analysis

Abstraction Selection in Automated
Verification [PLDI 2014]



Overview of Applications

- ▶ Abstraction Selection [PLDI 2014]
- ▶ Alarm Classification [FSE 2015]
- ▶ Alarm Resolution [OOSPLA 2017]

An Example: Pointer Analysis

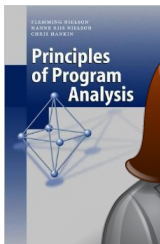
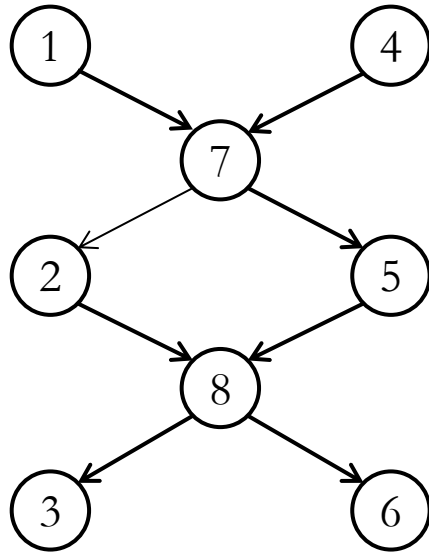
```
f() {  
    v1 = new ...  
    v2 = id1(v1)  
    v3 = id2(v2)  
    ✗ assert(v3 != v1) q1  
}
```

```
id1(v) { return v }
```

```
g() {  
    v4 = new ...  
    v5 = id1(v4)  
    v6 = id2(v5)  
    ✓ assert(v6 != v1) q2  
}
```

```
id2(v) { return v }
```

Pointer Analysis via Graph Reachability



**Analysis Writer
(Alice)**

```
f() {  
  v1 = new ...  
  v2 = id1(v1)  
  v3 = id2(v2)  
  assert(v3 != v1) q1  
}  
id1(v) { return v }  
g() {  
  v4 = new ...  
  v5 = id1(v4)  
  v6 = id2(v5)  
  assert(v6 != v1) q2  
}  
id2(v) { return v }
```

assert ($v6 \neq v1$) holds if
there is no path from **1** to **6**.

assert ($v3 \neq v1$) holds if
there is no path from **1** to **3**.

Analysis Specification in Datalog

Input relations:

edge(a, b)

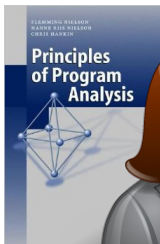
Output relations:

path(a, b)

Constraints:

path(a, a).

path(a, c) :- path(a, b), edge(b, c).



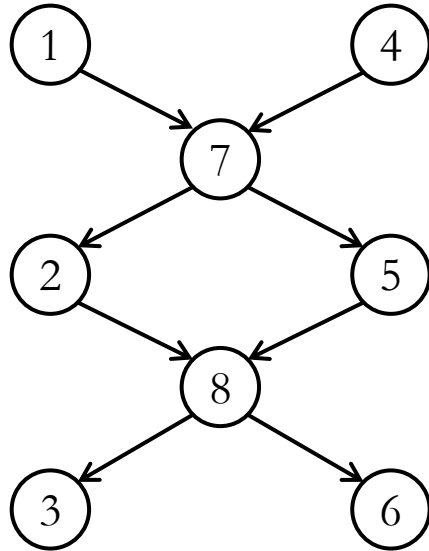
**Analysis Writer
(Alice)**

If

there is a path from **a** to **b**, and
there is an edge from **b** to **c**,
then

there is a path from **a** to **c**.

Analysis Evaluation in Datalog

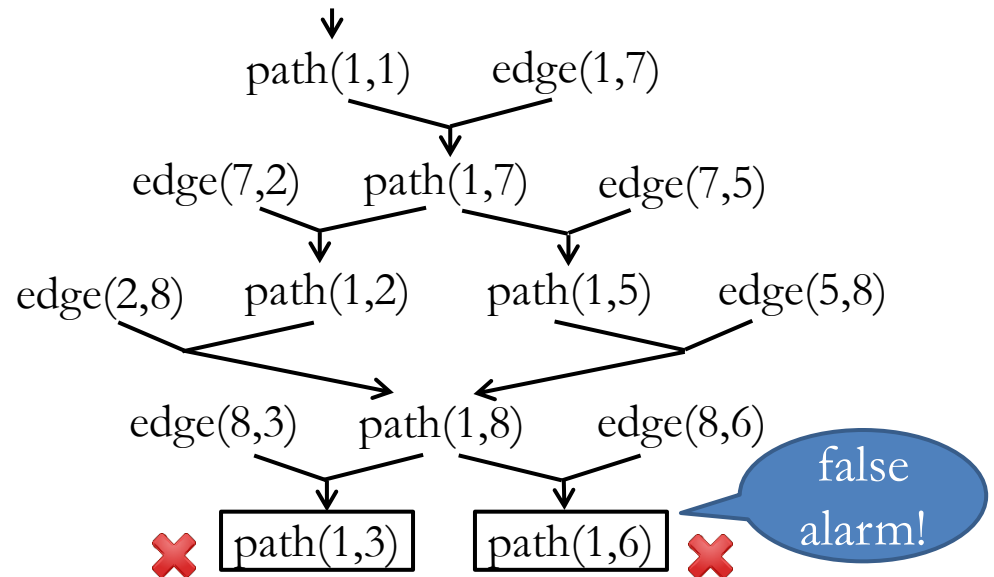


**Analysis User
(Bob)**

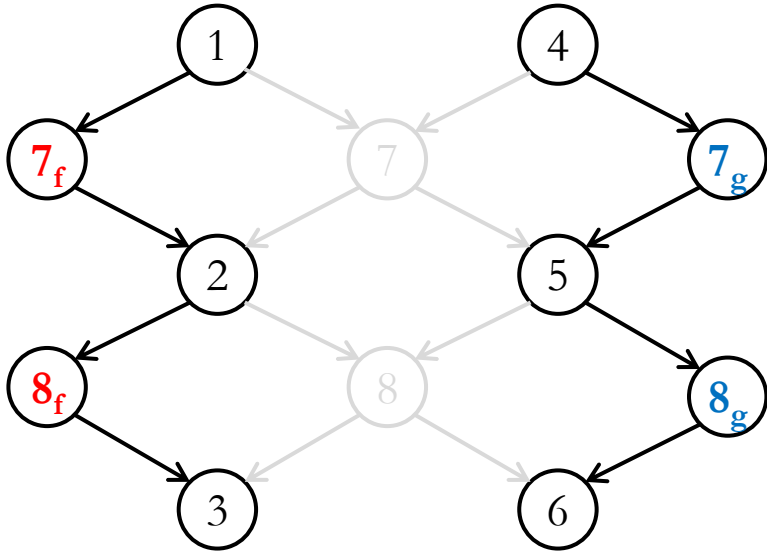
```

f() {
  v1 = new ...
  v2 = id1(v1)
  v3 = id2(v2)
  assert(v3 != v1) q1
}
id1(v) { return v }

g() {
  v4 = new ...
  v5 = id1(v4)
  v6 = id2(v5)
  assert(v6 != v1) q2
}
id2(v) { return v }
  
```



A More Precise Abstraction

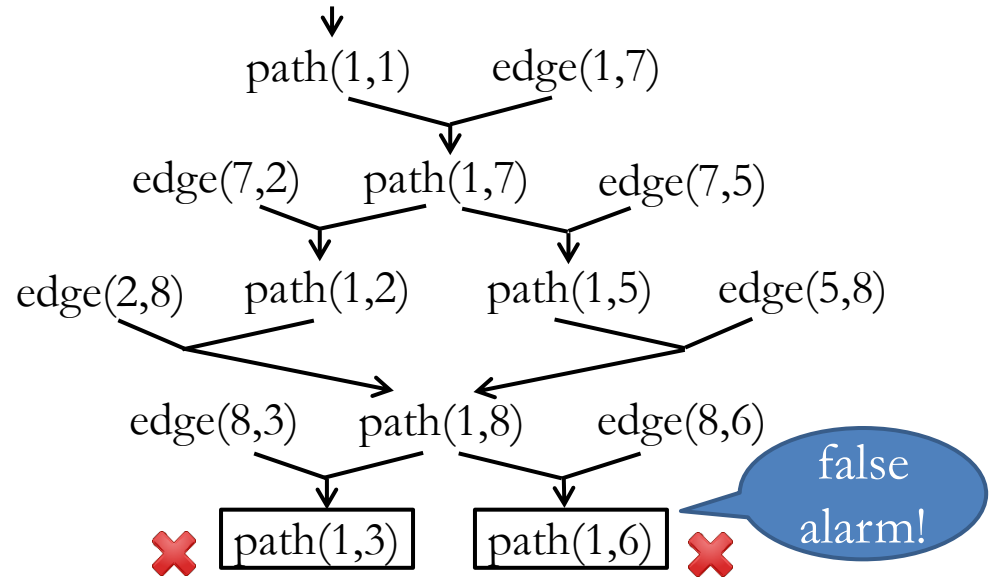


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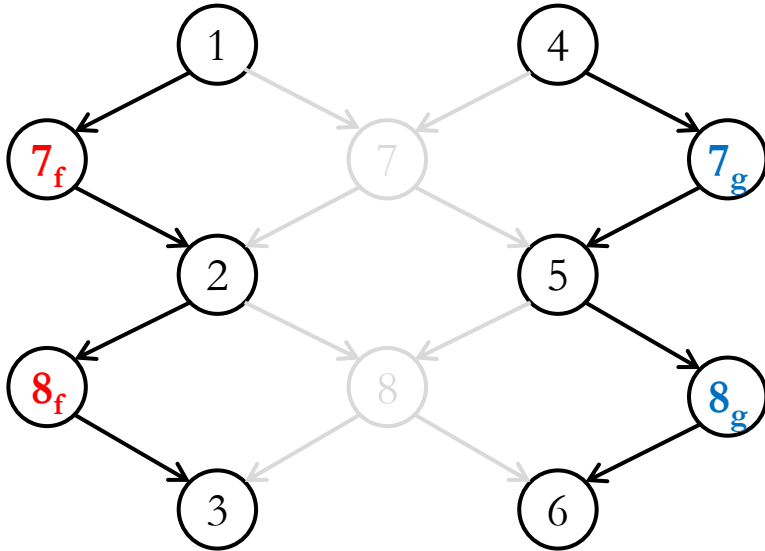
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}
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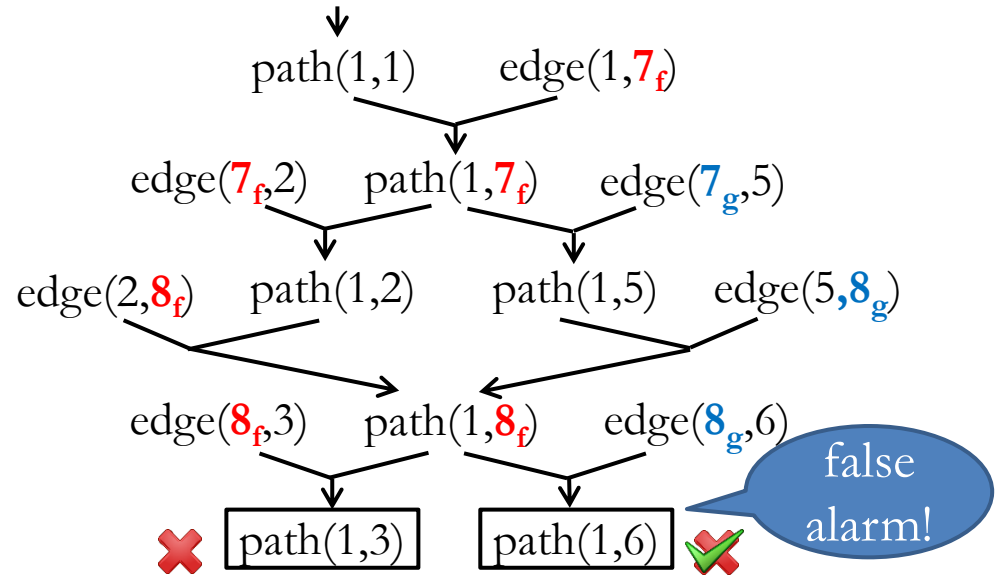


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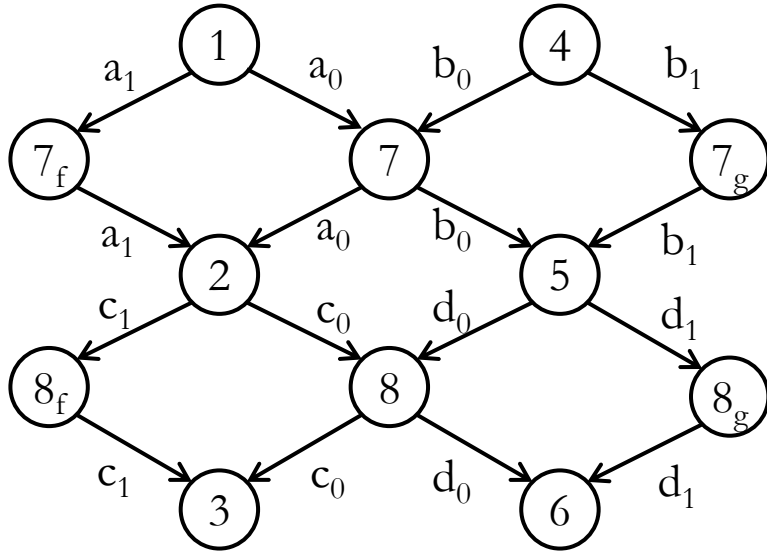
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  v1 = new ...
  v2 = id1(v1)
  v3 = id2(v2)
  assert(v3 != v1) q1
}
id1(v) { return v }

g() {
  v4 = new ...
  v5 = id1(v4)
  v6 = id2(v5)
  assert(v6 != v1) q2
}
id2(v) { return v }
    
```



Abstraction Refinement



Input relations:

edge(a, b), abs(n)

Output relations:

path(a, b)

Constraints:

path(a, a).

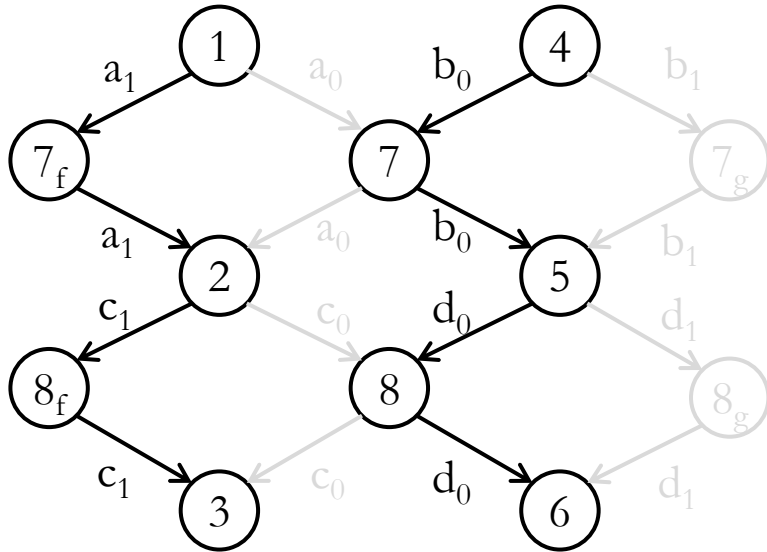
path(a, c) :- path(a, b), edge(b, c).n), abs(n).

abs(a₀) ⊕ abs(a₁), abs(b₀) ⊕ abs(b₁),
abs(c₀) ⊕ abs(c₁), abs(d₀) ⊕ abs(d₁).

16 possible abstractions in total

Query Tuple	Original Query
q ₁ : path(1, 3)	assert (v3 != v1)
q ₂ : path(1, 6)	assert (v6 != v1)

Desired Result



Input relations:

edge(a, b), abs(n)

Output relations:

path(a, b)

Constraints:

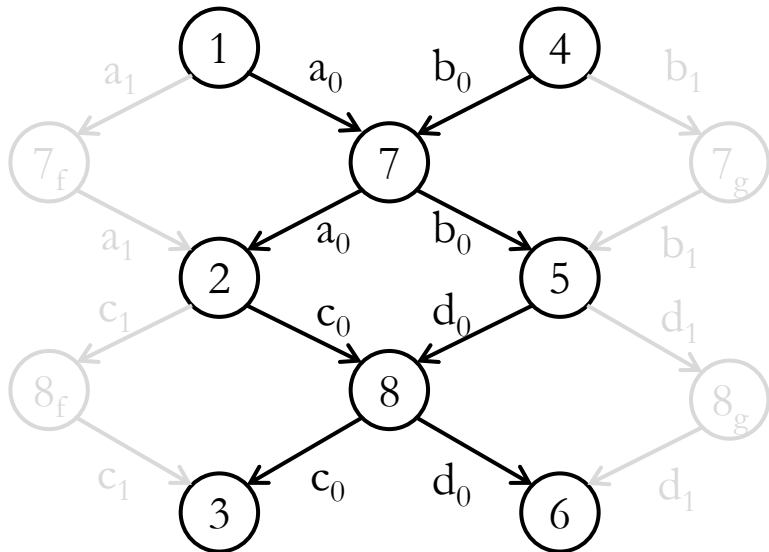
path(a, a).

path(a, c) :- path(a, b), edge(b, c, n), abs(n).

abs(a₀) ⊕ abs(a₁), abs(b₀) ⊕ abs(b₁),
abs(c₀) ⊕ abs(c₁), abs(d₀) ⊕ abs(d₁).

Query	Answer
q ₁ : path(1, 3)	✘ Impossibility
q ₂ : path(1, 6)	✔ a ₁ b ₀ c ₁ d ₀

Iteration 1



Input relations:

edge(a, b), abs(n)

Output relations:

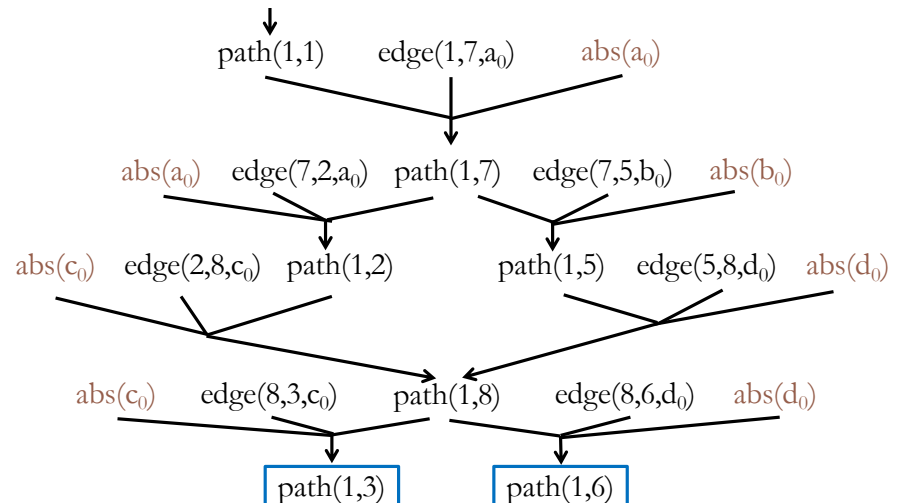
path(a, b)

Constraints:

path(a, a).

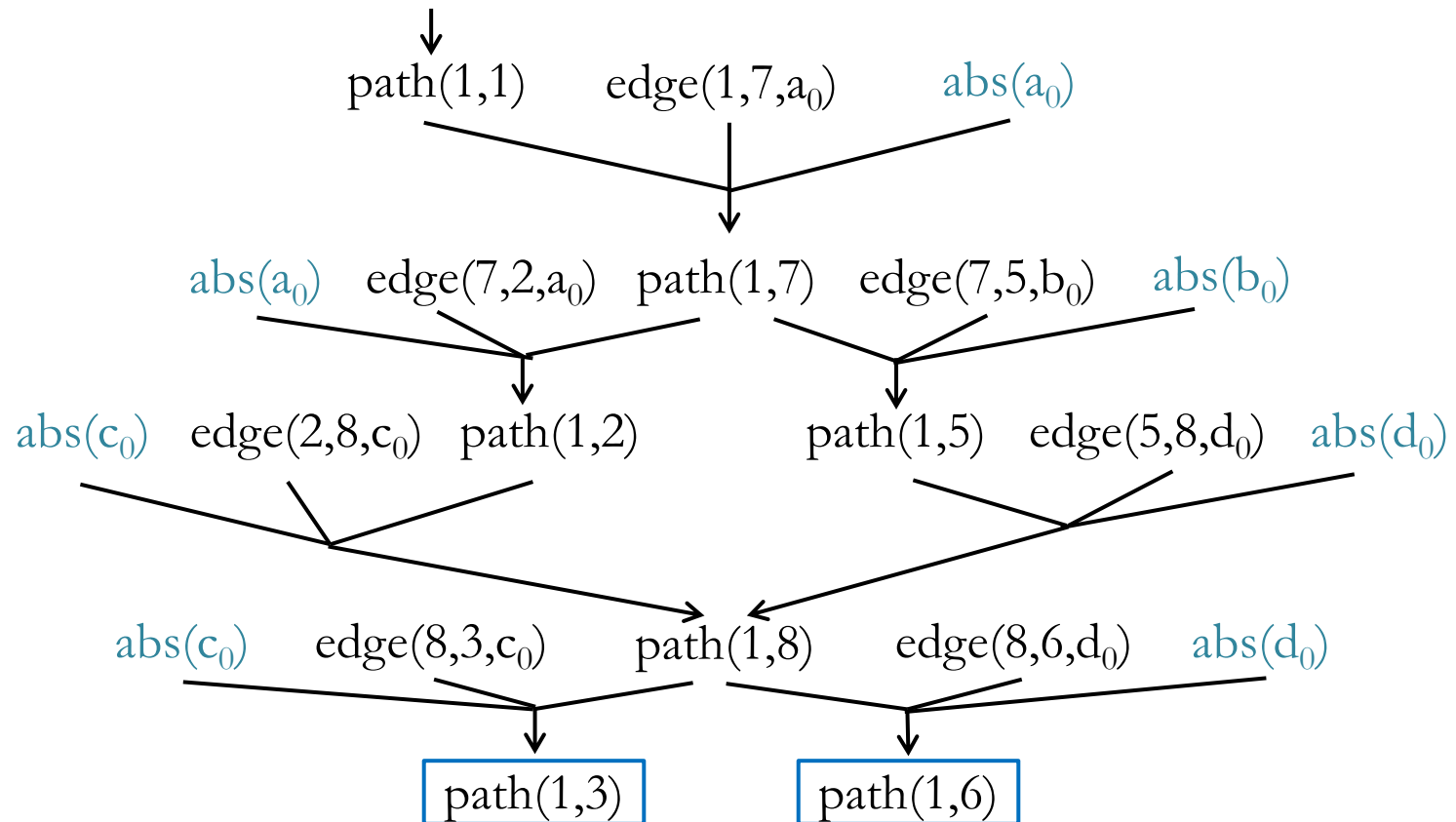
path(a, c) :- path(a, b), edge(b, c, n), abs(n).

$abs(a_0) \oplus abs(a_1), abs(b_0) \oplus abs(b_1),$
 $abs(c_0) \oplus abs(c_1), abs(d_0) \oplus abs(d_1).$

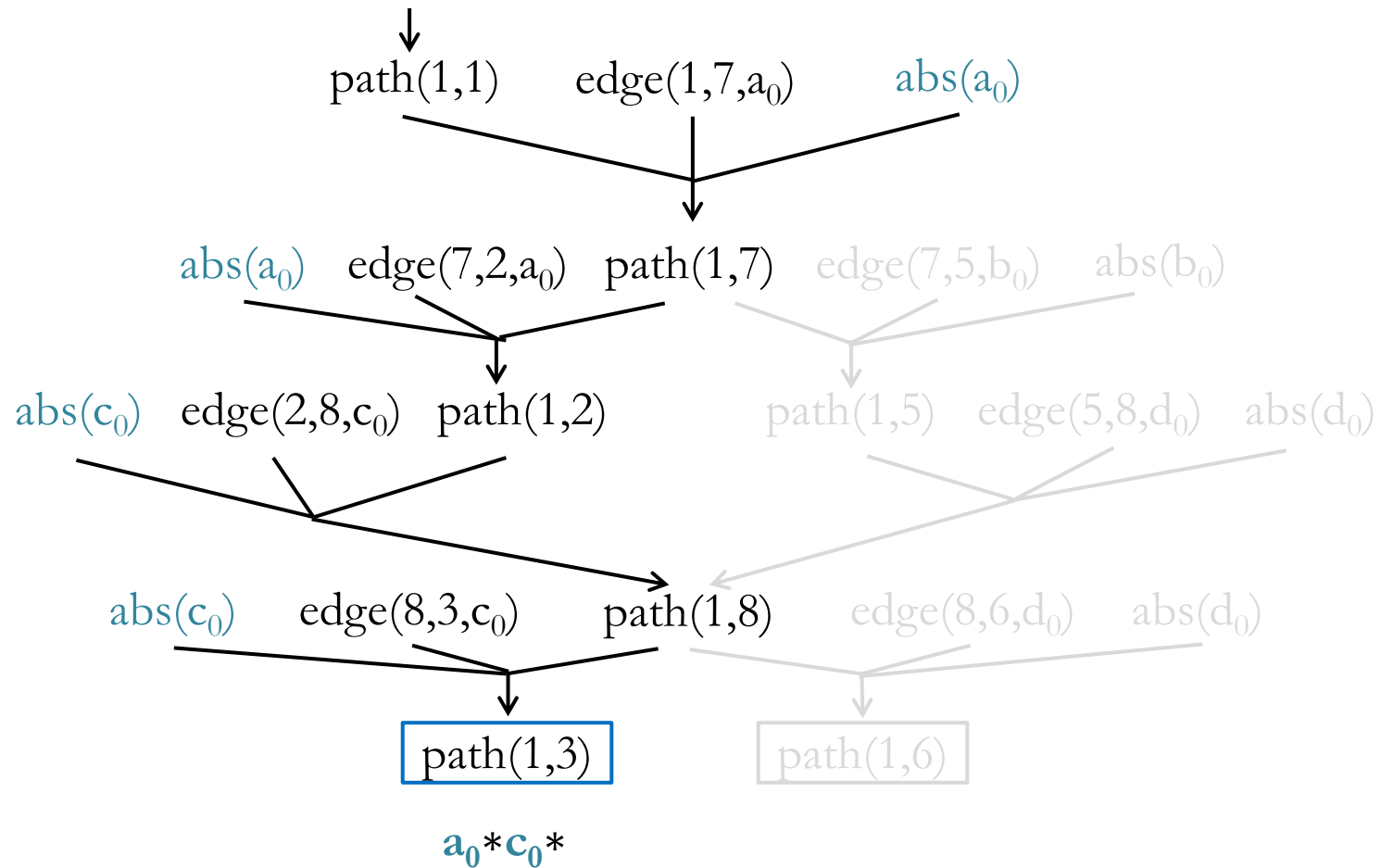


Query	Eliminated Abstractions
q ₁ : path(1, 3)	
q ₂ : path(1, 6)	

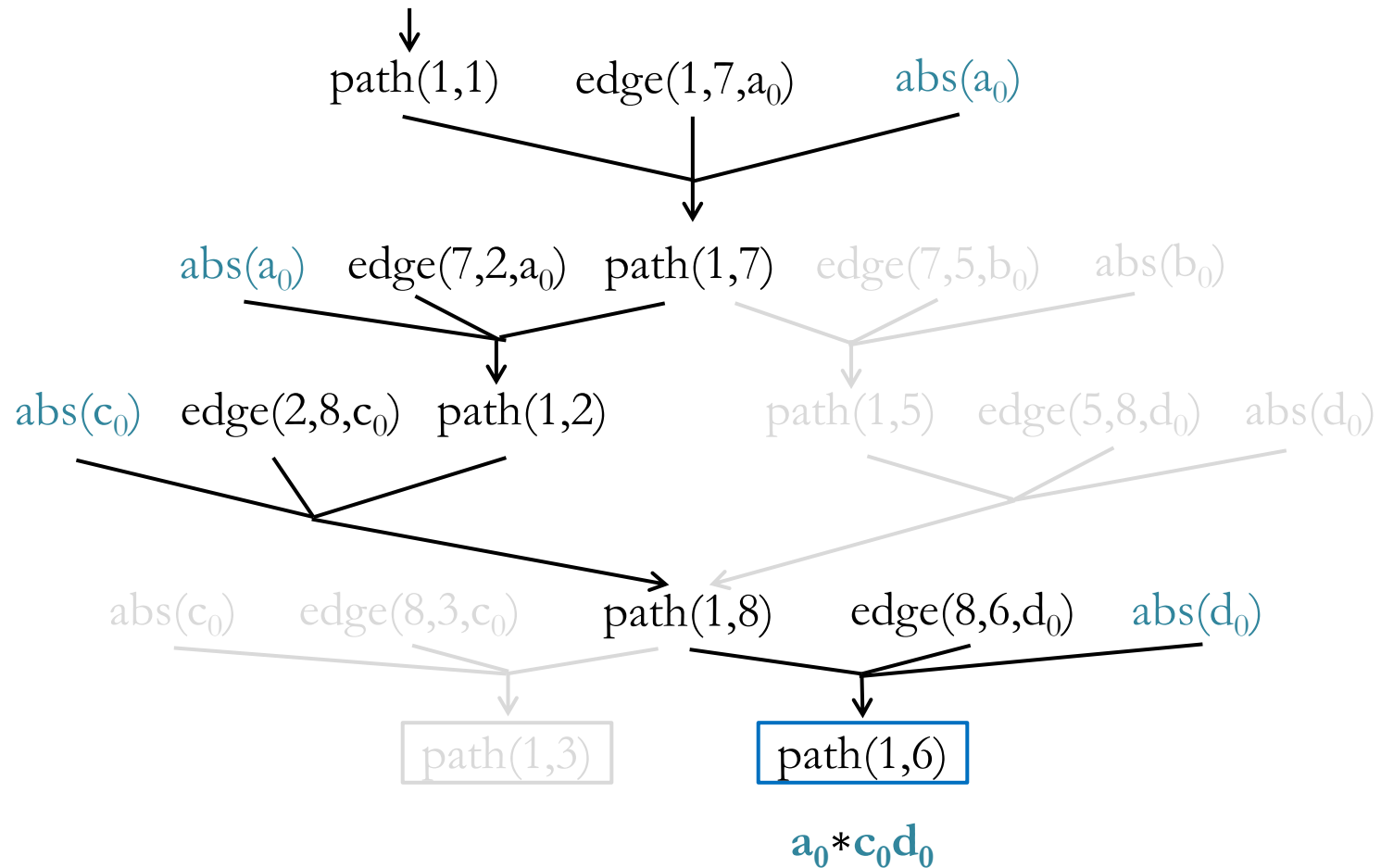
Iteration 1 - Derivation Graph



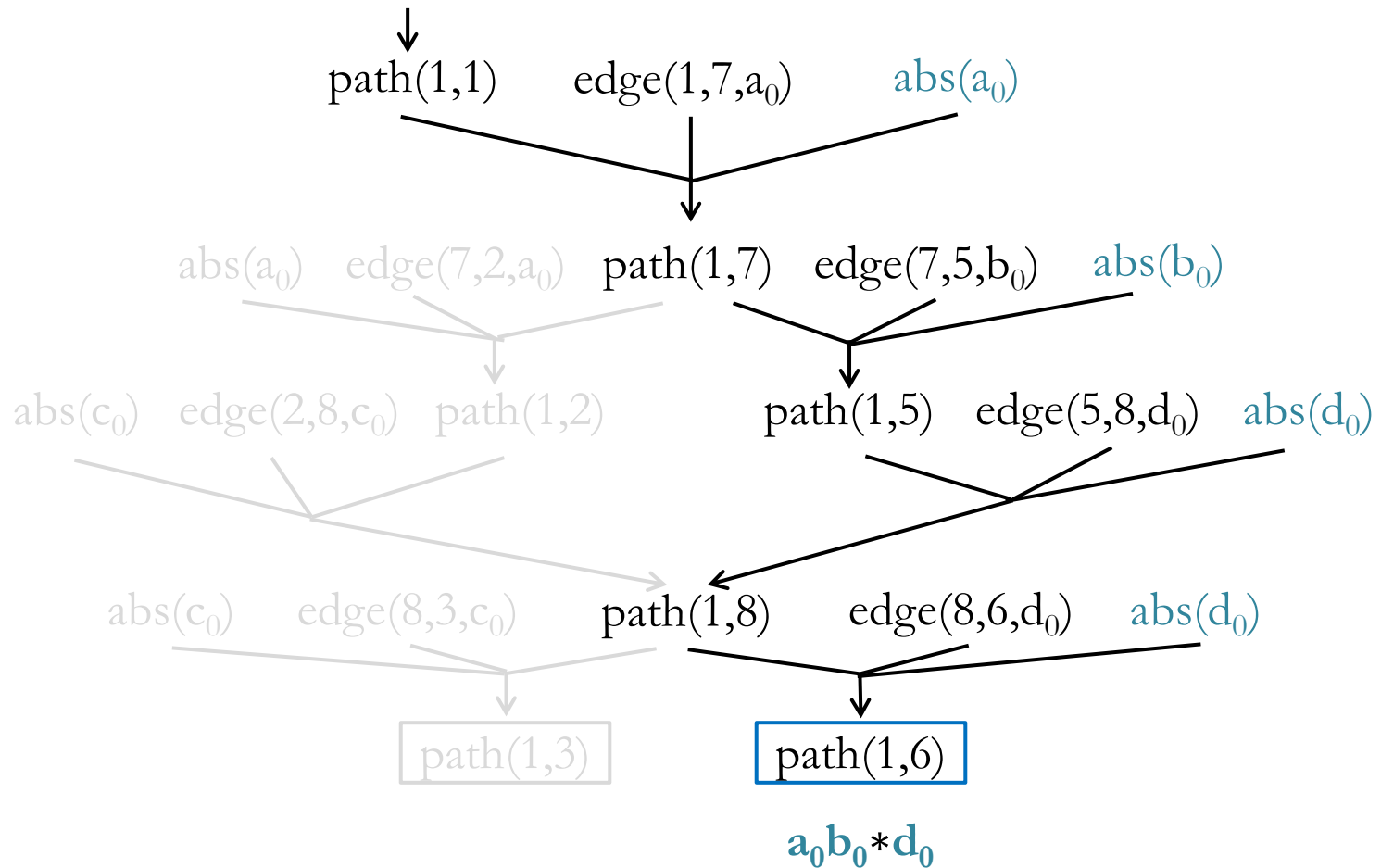
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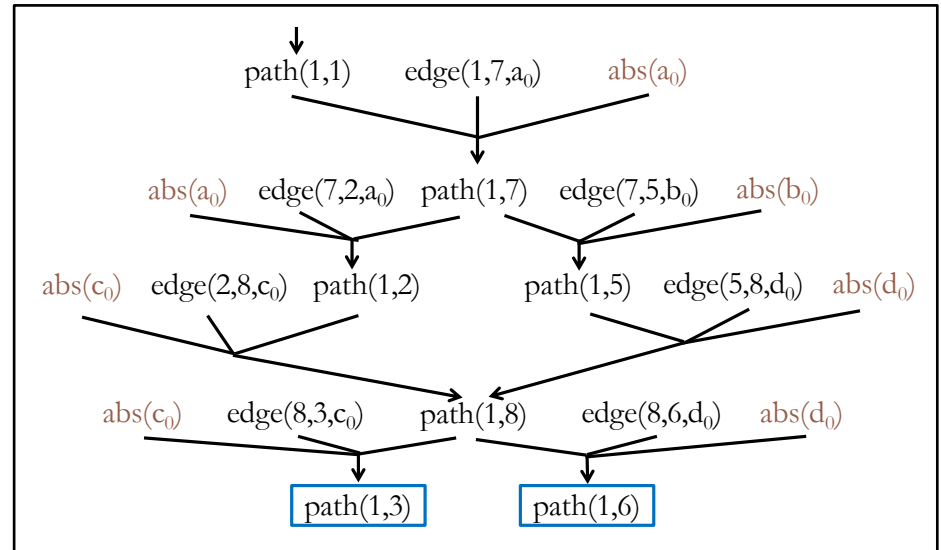
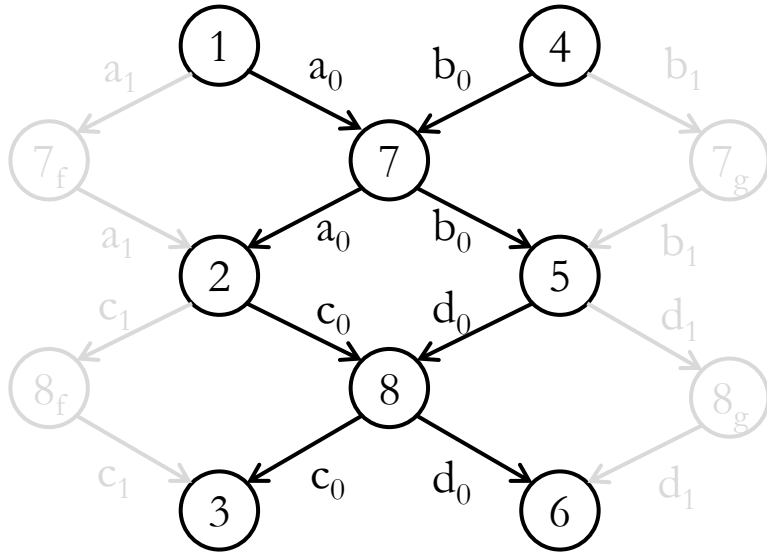
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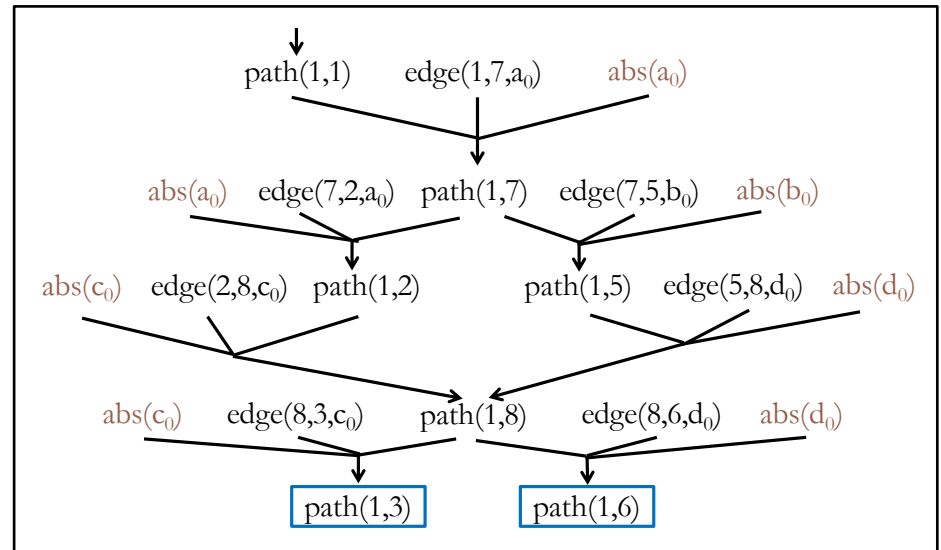
Iteration 1 - Derivation Graph



Query	Eliminated Abstractions
q_1 : path(1, 3)	$a_0 * c_0 *$ (4/16)
q_2 : path(1, 6)	$a_0 * c_0 d_0, a_0 b_0 * d_0$ (3/16)

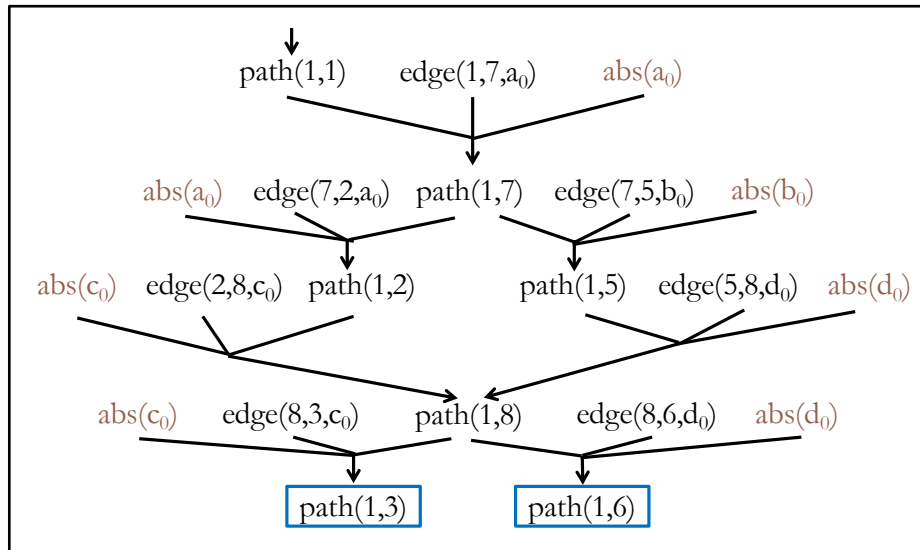
$abs(a_0) \oplus abs(a_1), abs(b_0) \oplus abs(b_1),$
 $abs(c_0) \oplus abs(c_1), abs(d_0) \oplus abs(d_1).$

Encoding in MaxSAT



$abs(a_0) \oplus abs(a_1), abs(b_0) \oplus abs(b_1),$
 $abs(c_0) \oplus abs(c_1), abs(d_0) \oplus abs(d_1).$

Encoding in MaxSAT



$\text{abs}(a_0) \oplus \text{abs}(a_1), \text{abs}(b_0) \oplus \text{abs}(b_1),$
 $\text{abs}(c_0) \oplus \text{abs}(c_1), \text{abs}(d_0) \oplus \text{abs}(d_1).$

Encoding in MaxSAT

Avoid all the counterexamples

Minimize the abstraction cost

Hard constraints:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & path(1, 1) \wedge \\
 & (path(1, 7) \vee \neg path(1, 1) \vee \neg abs(a_0)) \wedge \\
 & (path(1, 2) \vee \neg path(1, 7) \vee \neg abs(a_0)) \wedge \\
 & (path(1, 8) \vee \neg path(1, 2) \vee \neg abs(c_0)) \wedge \\
 & (path(1, 3) \vee \neg path(1, 8) \vee \neg abs(c_0)) \wedge \\
 & (path(1, 5) \vee \neg path(1, 7) \vee \neg abs(b_0)) \wedge \\
 & (path(1, 8) \vee \neg path(1, 5) \vee \neg abs(d_0)) \wedge \\
 & (path(1, 6) \vee \neg path(1, 8) \vee \neg abs(d_0))
 \end{aligned}$$

Soft constraints:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (abs(a_0) \text{ weight } 1) \wedge \\
 & (abs(b_0) \text{ weight } 1) \wedge \\
 & (abs(c_0) \text{ weight } 1) \wedge \\
 & (abs(d_0) \text{ weight } 1) \wedge \\
 & (\neg path(1, 3) \text{ weight } 5) \wedge \\
 & (\neg path(1, 6) \text{ weight } 5)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & abs(a_0) \oplus abs(a_1), abs(b_0) \oplus abs(b_1), \\
 & abs(c_0) \oplus abs(c_1), abs(d_0) \oplus abs(d_1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Encoding in MaxSAT

Solution:

$path(1, 1) = \text{true}$, $path(1, 2) = \text{false}$,
 $path(1, 3) = \text{false}$, $path(1, 5) = \text{false}$,
 $path(1, 6) = \text{false}$, $path(1, 7) = \text{false}$,
 $path(1, 8) = \text{false}$,

$abs(a_0) = \text{false}$, $abs(b_0) = \text{true}$,
 $abs(c_0) = \text{true}$, $abs(d_0) = \text{true}$.



$a_1 b_0 c_0 d_0$

Hard constraints:

$path(1, 1) \wedge$
 $(path(1, 7) \vee \neg path(1, 1) \vee \neg abs(a_0)) \wedge$
 $(path(1, 2) \vee \neg path(1, 7) \vee \neg abs(a_0)) \wedge$
 $(path(1, 8) \vee \neg path(1, 2) \vee \neg abs(c_0)) \wedge$
 $(path(1, 3) \vee \neg path(1, 8) \vee \neg abs(c_0)) \wedge$
 $(path(1, 5) \vee \neg path(1, 7) \vee \neg abs(b_0)) \wedge$
 $(path(1, 8) \vee \neg path(1, 5) \vee \neg abs(d_0)) \wedge$
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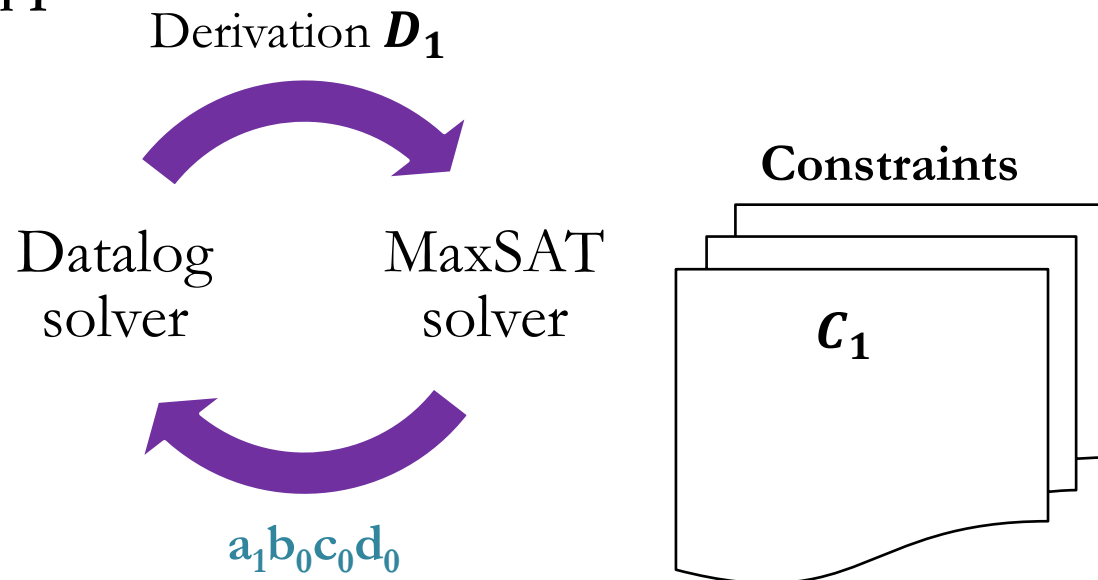
Soft constraints:

$(abs(a_0) \text{ weight } 1) \wedge$
 $(abs(b_0) \text{ weight } 1) \wedge$
 $(abs(c_0) \text{ weight } 1) \wedge$
 $(abs(d_0) \text{ weight } 1) \wedge$
 $(\neg path(1, 3) \text{ weight } 5) \wedge$
 $(\neg path(1, 6) \text{ weight } 5)$

Query	Eliminated Abstractions
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Iteration 2 and Beyond

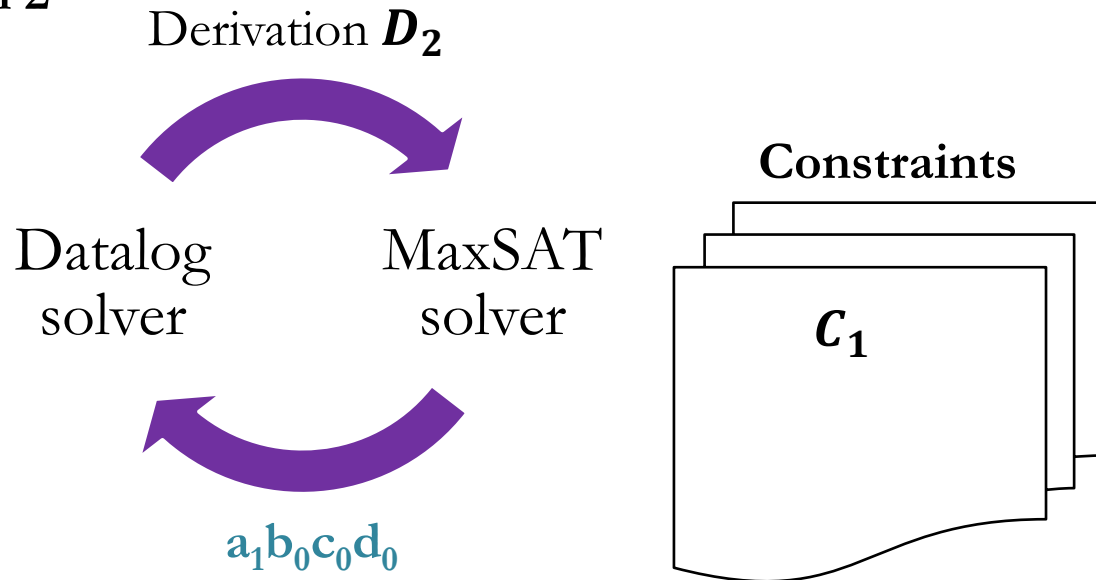
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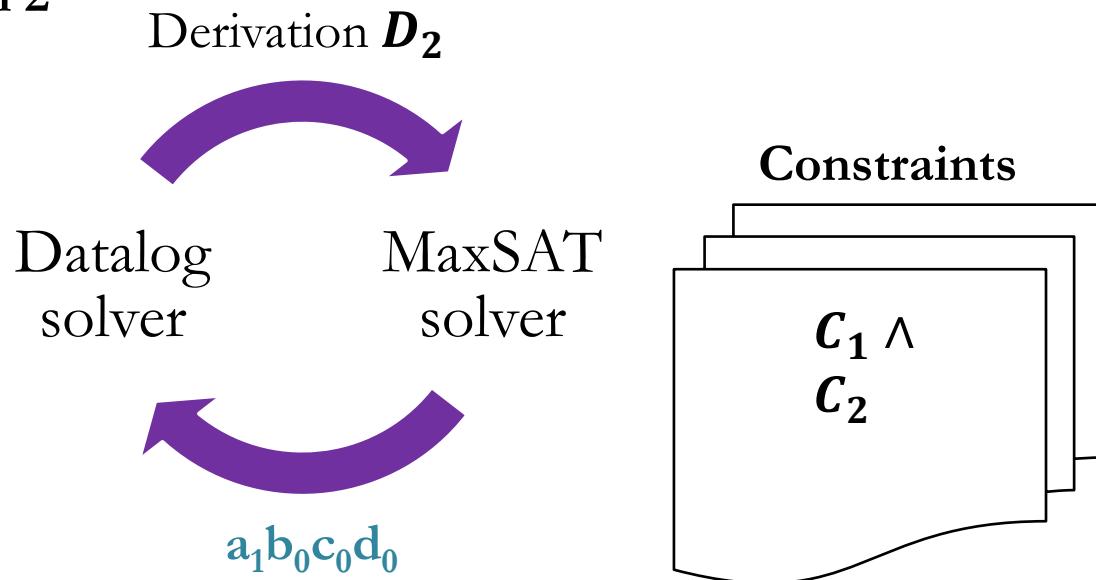
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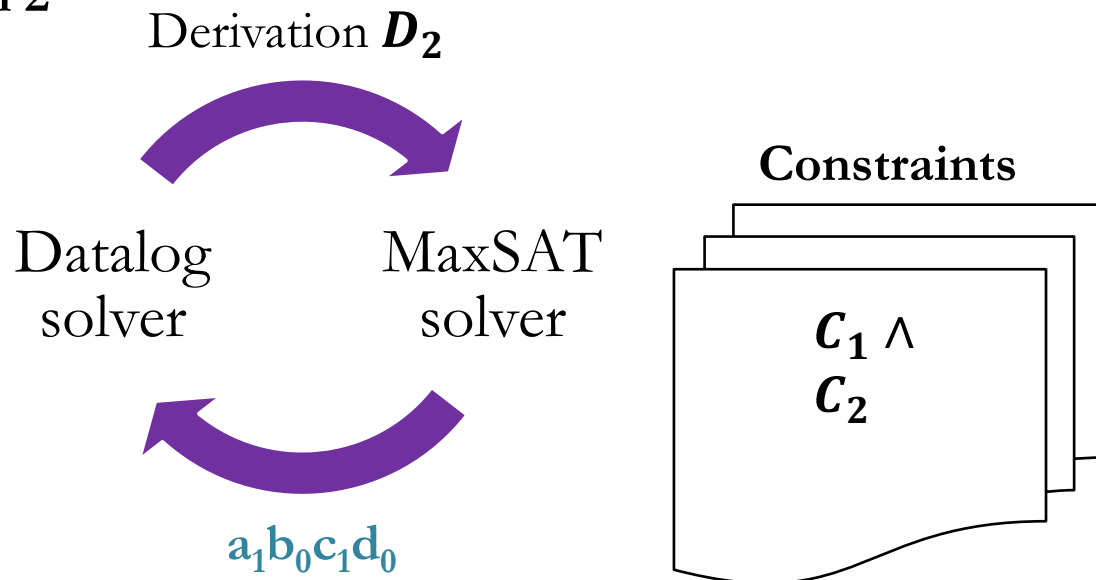
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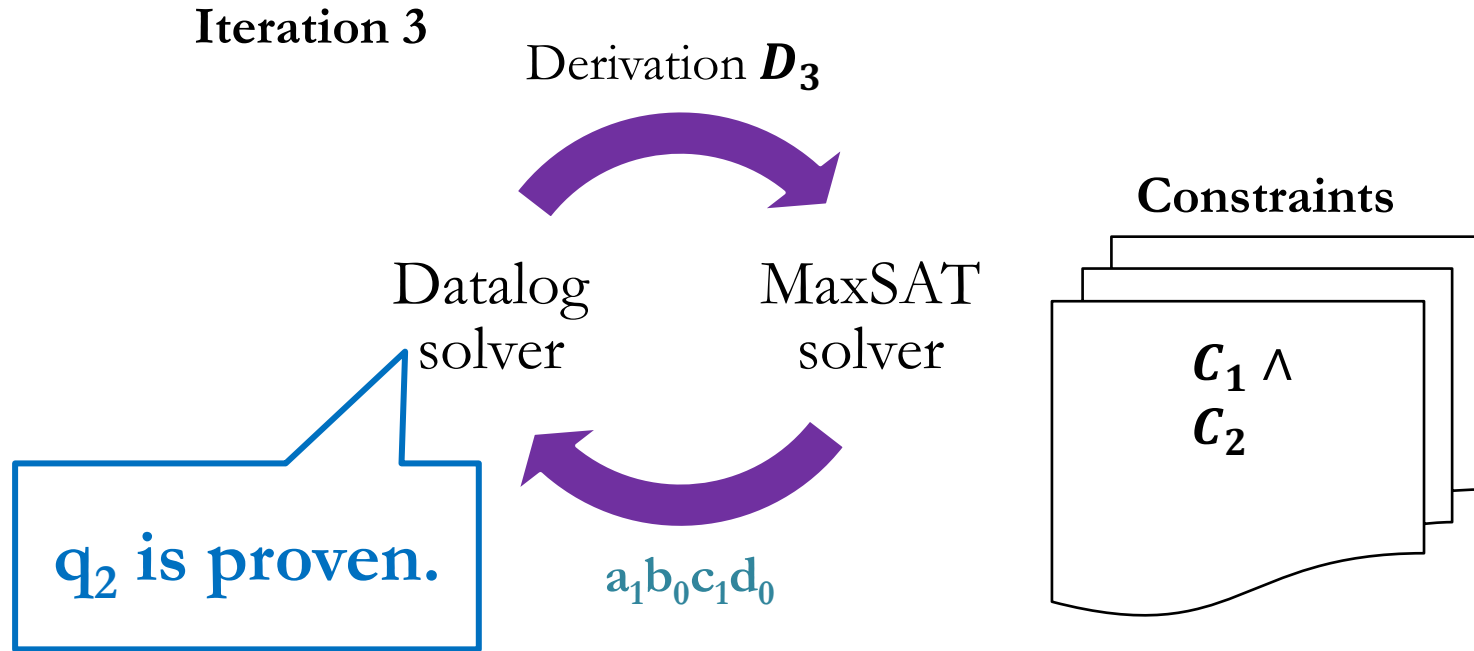
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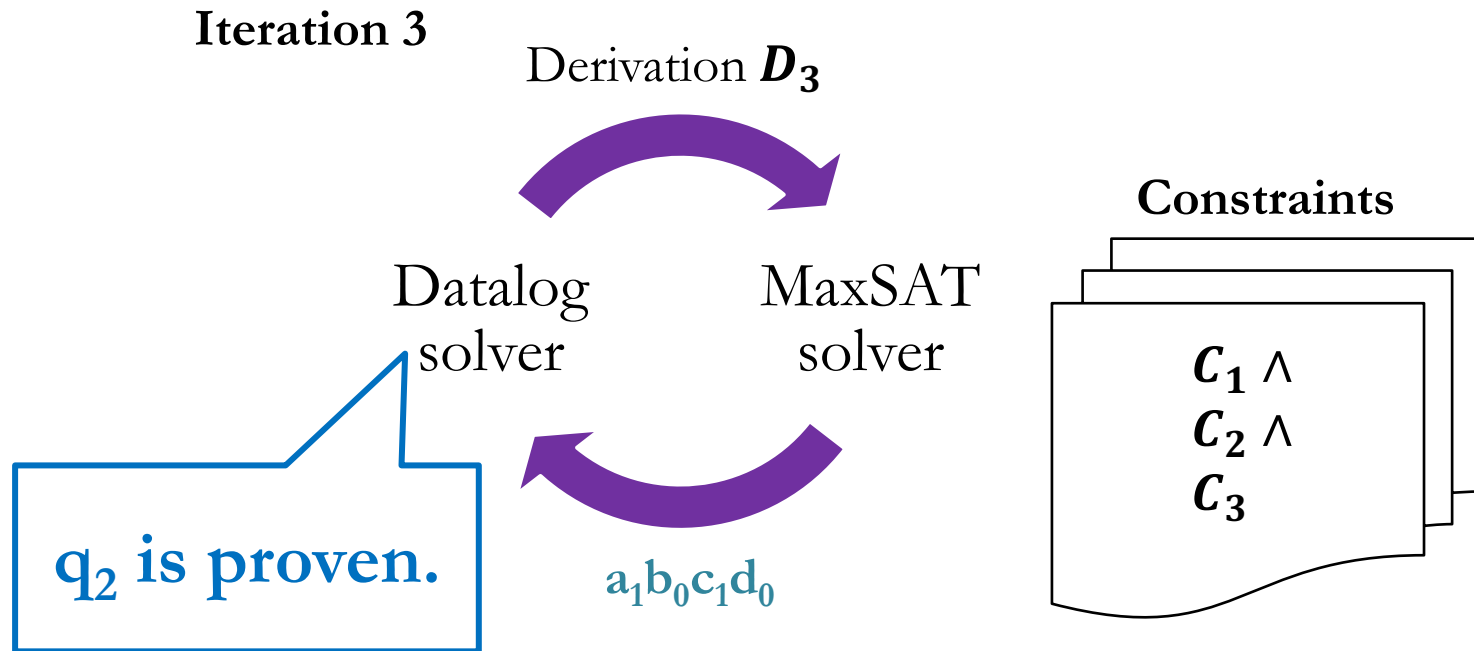
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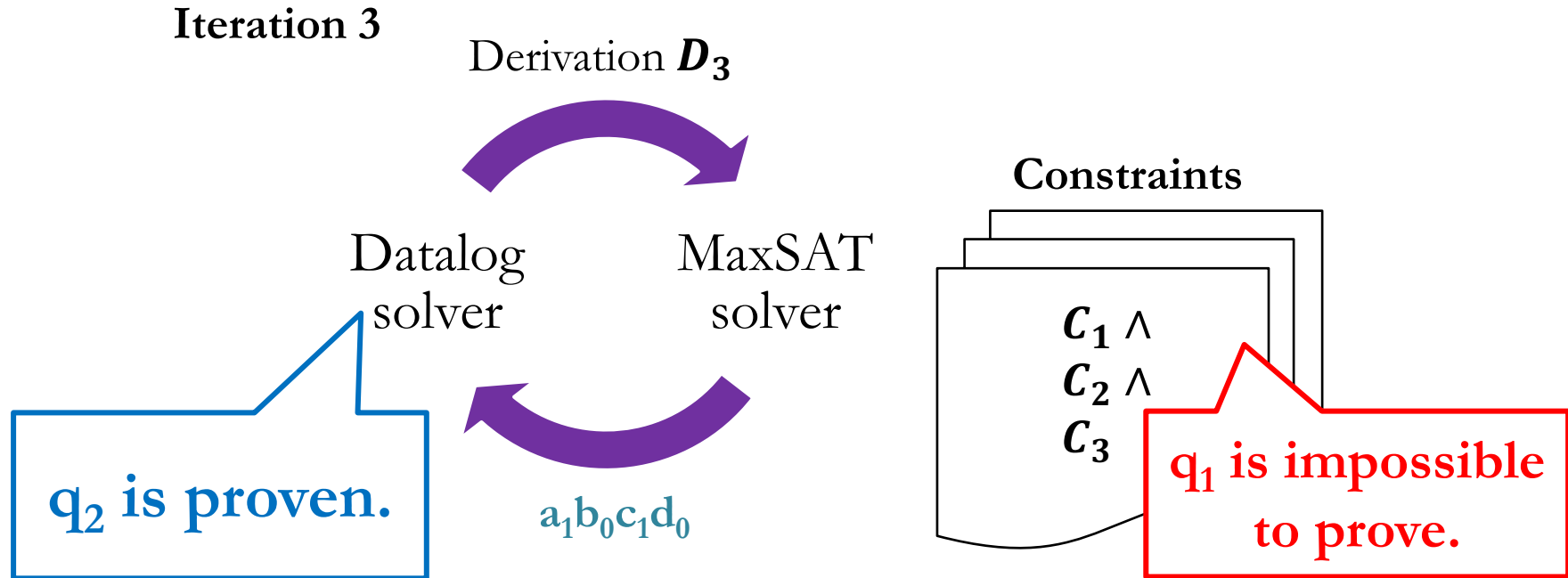
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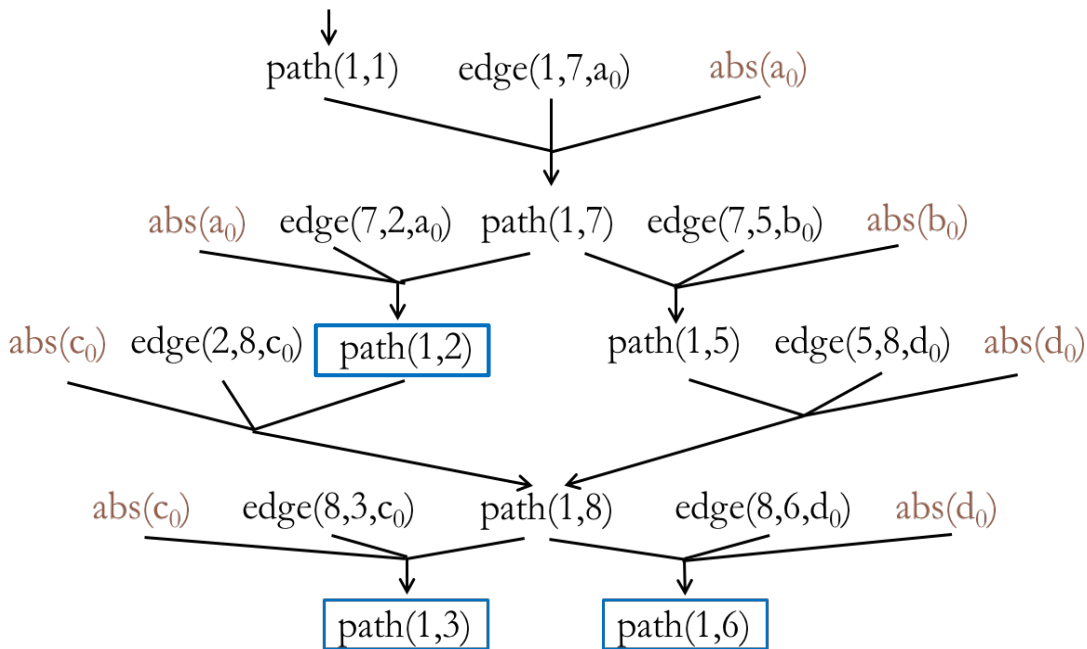
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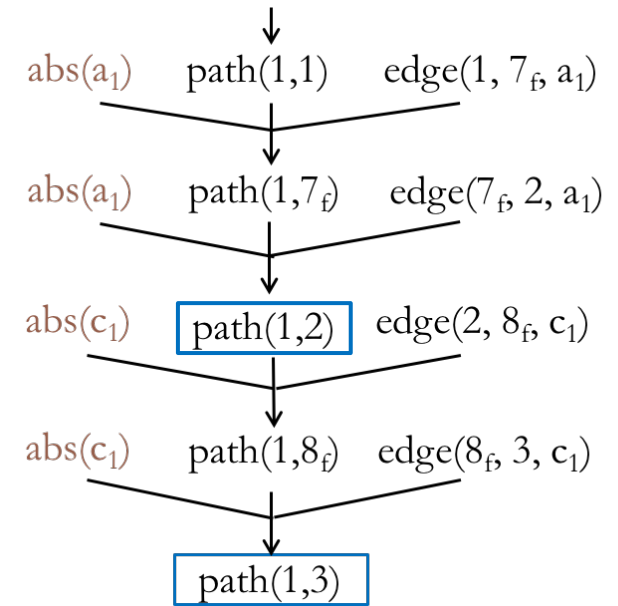
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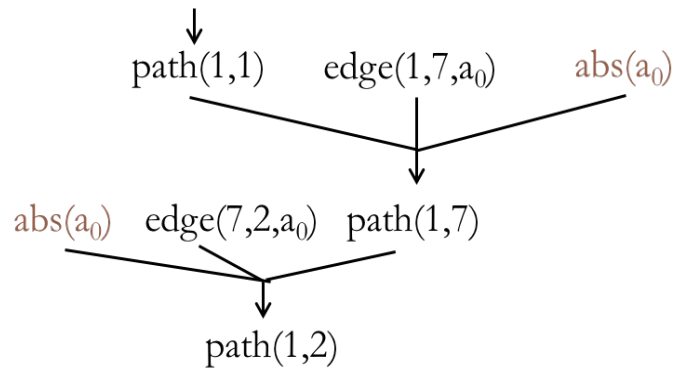
Iteration 3



$a_1 * c_1 *$

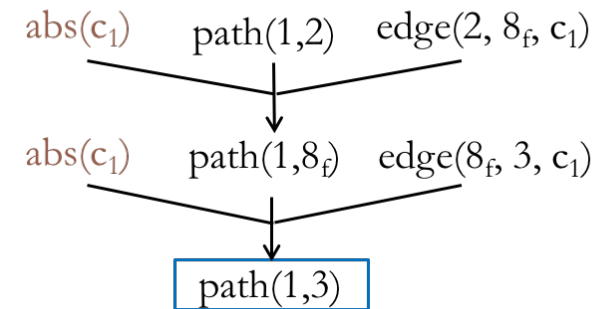
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Mixed!

Iteration 3



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Experimental Setup

- ▶ Implemented using off-the-shelf solvers
 - ▶ Datalog: bddbddb
 - ▶ MaxSAT: MiFuMaX
- ▶ Applied to two analyses that are challenging to scale
 - ▶ **k-object-sensitive pointer analysis**
 - ▶ flow-insensitive, weak updates, cloning-based
 - ▶ **type-state analysis** 76 rules, 50 input relations, 42 output relations
 - ▶ flow-sensitive, strong updates, summary-based
- ▶ Evaluated on 8 Java programs (250-450 KLOC each)

Pointer Analysis Results

4-object-sensitivity
< 50%

< 3% of
max

	queries			abstraction size		iterations
	total	resolved		final	max	
		current	baseline			
toba-s	7	7	0	170	18K	10
javasrc-p	46	46	0	470	18K	13
weblech	5	5	2	140	31K	10
hedc	47	47	6	730	29K	18
antlr	143	143	5	970	29K	15
luindex	138	138	67	1K	40K	26
lusearch	322	322	29	1K	39K	17
schroeder-m	51	51	25	450	58K	15

Performance of Datalog Solver

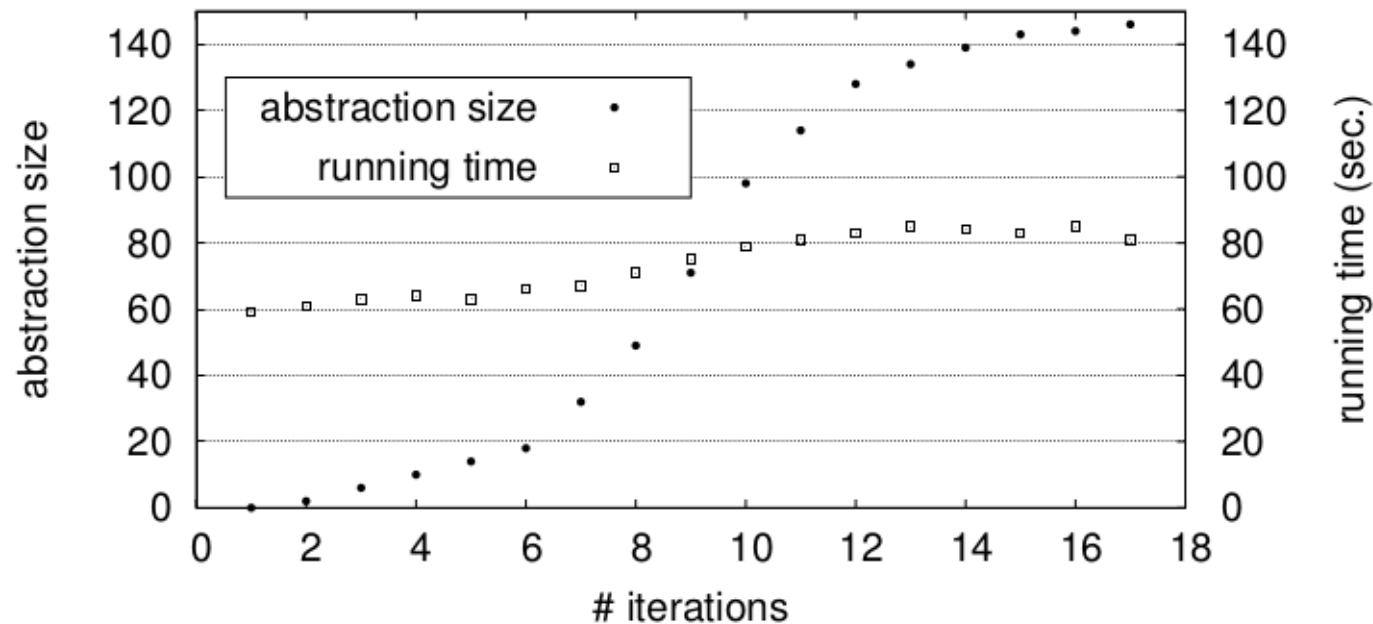
$k = 4$, 3h28m

Baseline $k = 3$, 590s

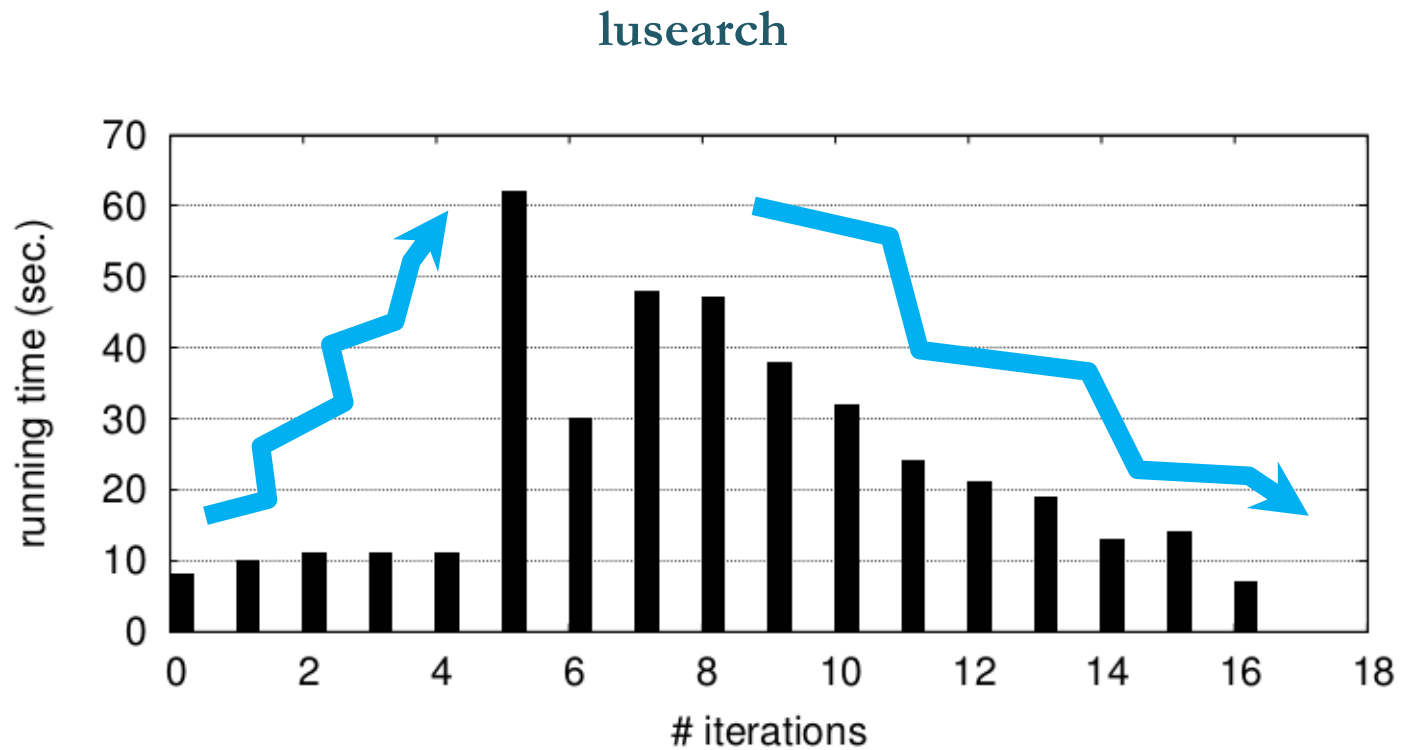
$k = 2$, 214s

lusearch

$k = 1$, 153s



Performance of MaxSAT Solver



Statistics of MaxSAT Formulae

	pointer analysis	
	variables	clauses
toba-s	0.7M	1.5M
javasrc-p	0.5M	0.9M
weblech	1.6M	3.3M
hedc	1.2M	2.7M
antlr	3.6M	6.9M
luindex	2.4M	5.6M
lusearch	2.1M	5.0M
schroeder-m	6.7M	23.7M











Overview of Applications

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How Do We Go From This ...



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R4: Race on field <code>org.apache.ftpserver.RequestHandler.m_reader</code>	
<code>org.apache.ftpserver.RequestHandler: 21</code>	<code>org.apache.ftpserver.RequestHandler: 22</code>
R5: Race on field <code>org.apache.ftpserver.RequestHandler.m_controlSocket</code>	
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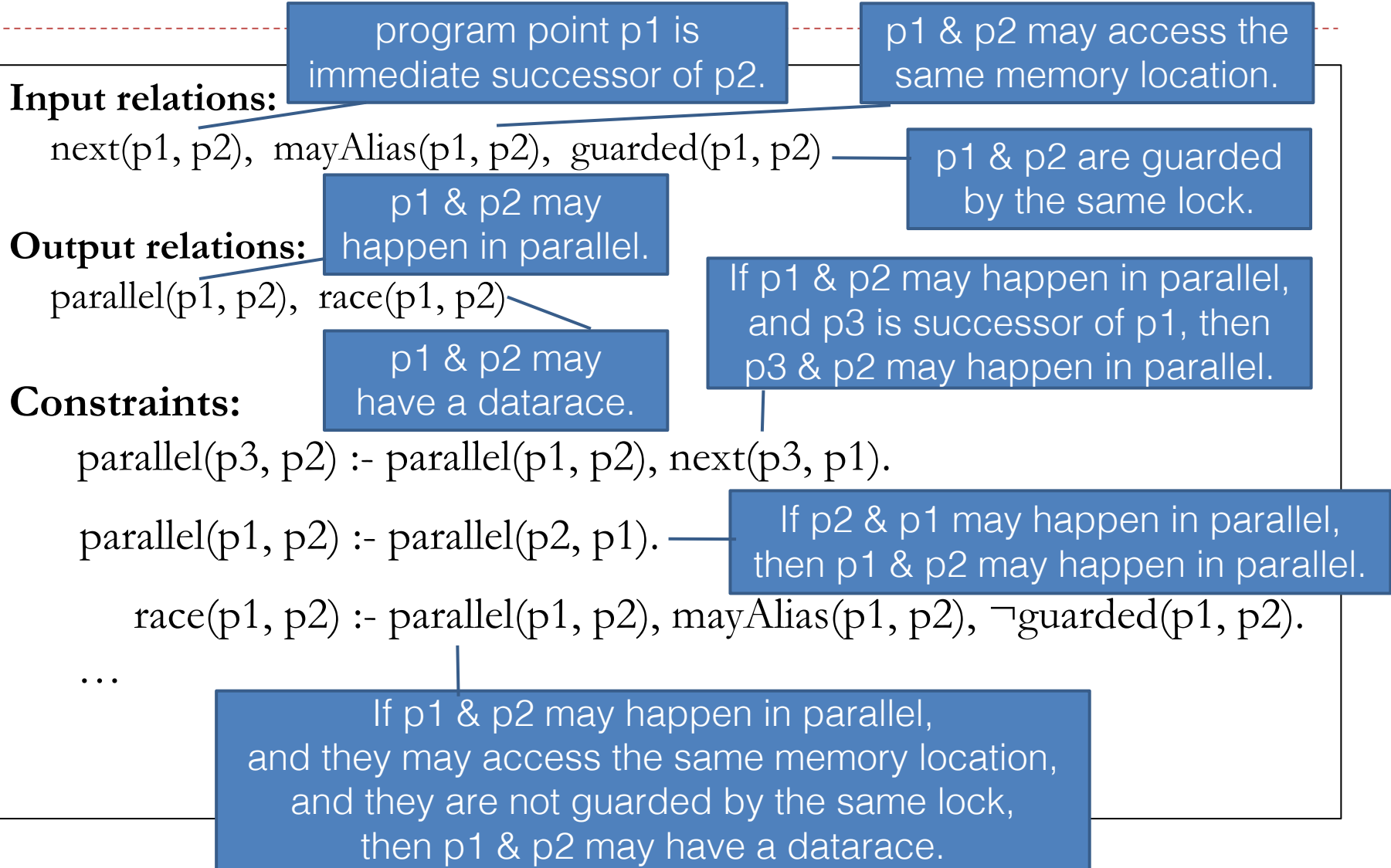
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```
a = 1;  
if (a > 2) { // p1  
    ... // p3  
}
```

“Soft” Rule

Constraints:

$\text{parallel}(p3, p2) :- \text{parallel}(p1, p2), \text{next}(p3, p1).$ **weight 5**

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An Example: Static Datarace Analysis

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4     BufferedReader reader;
5     Socket controlSocket;
6     boolean isConnectionClosed;
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R3
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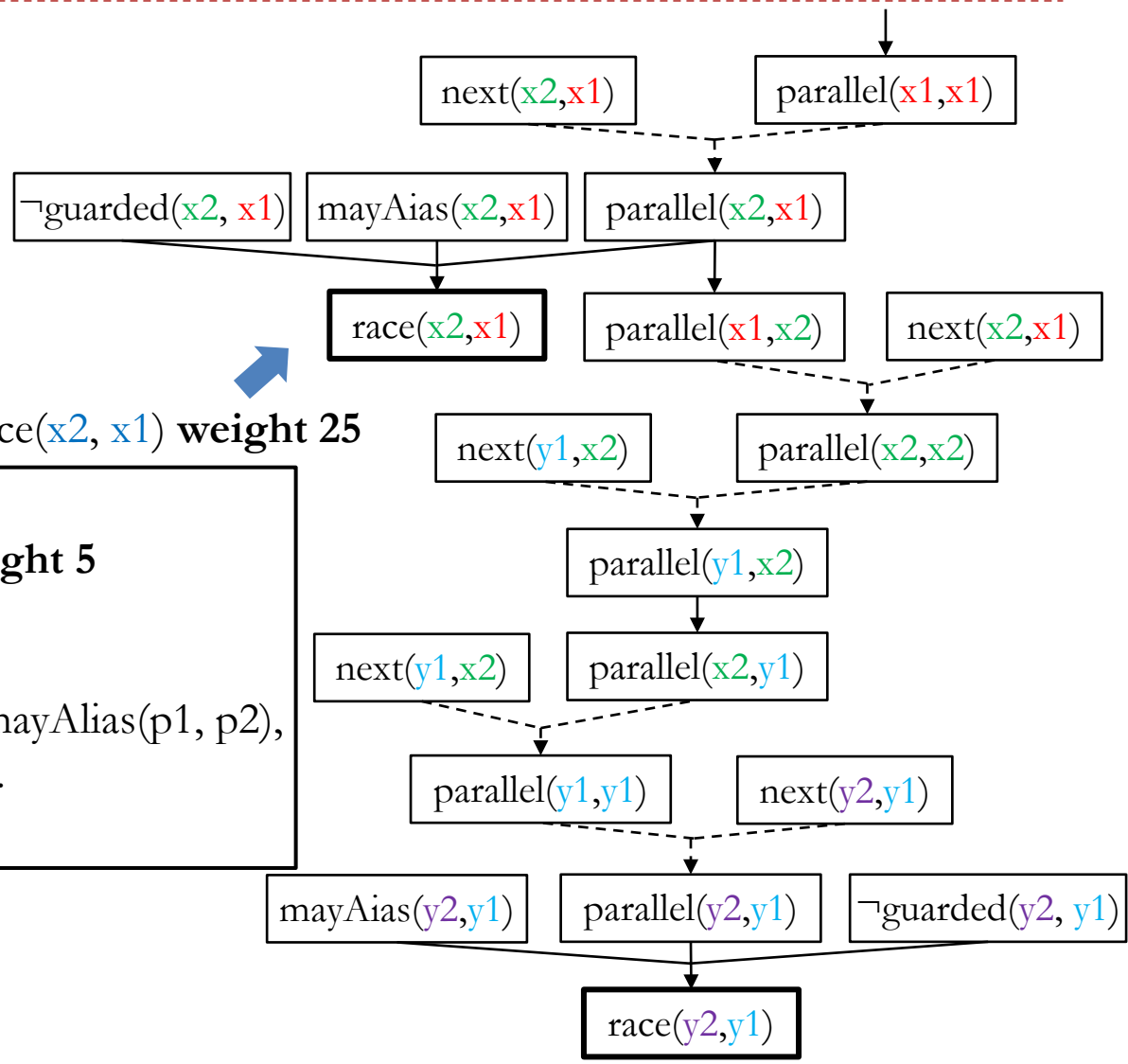
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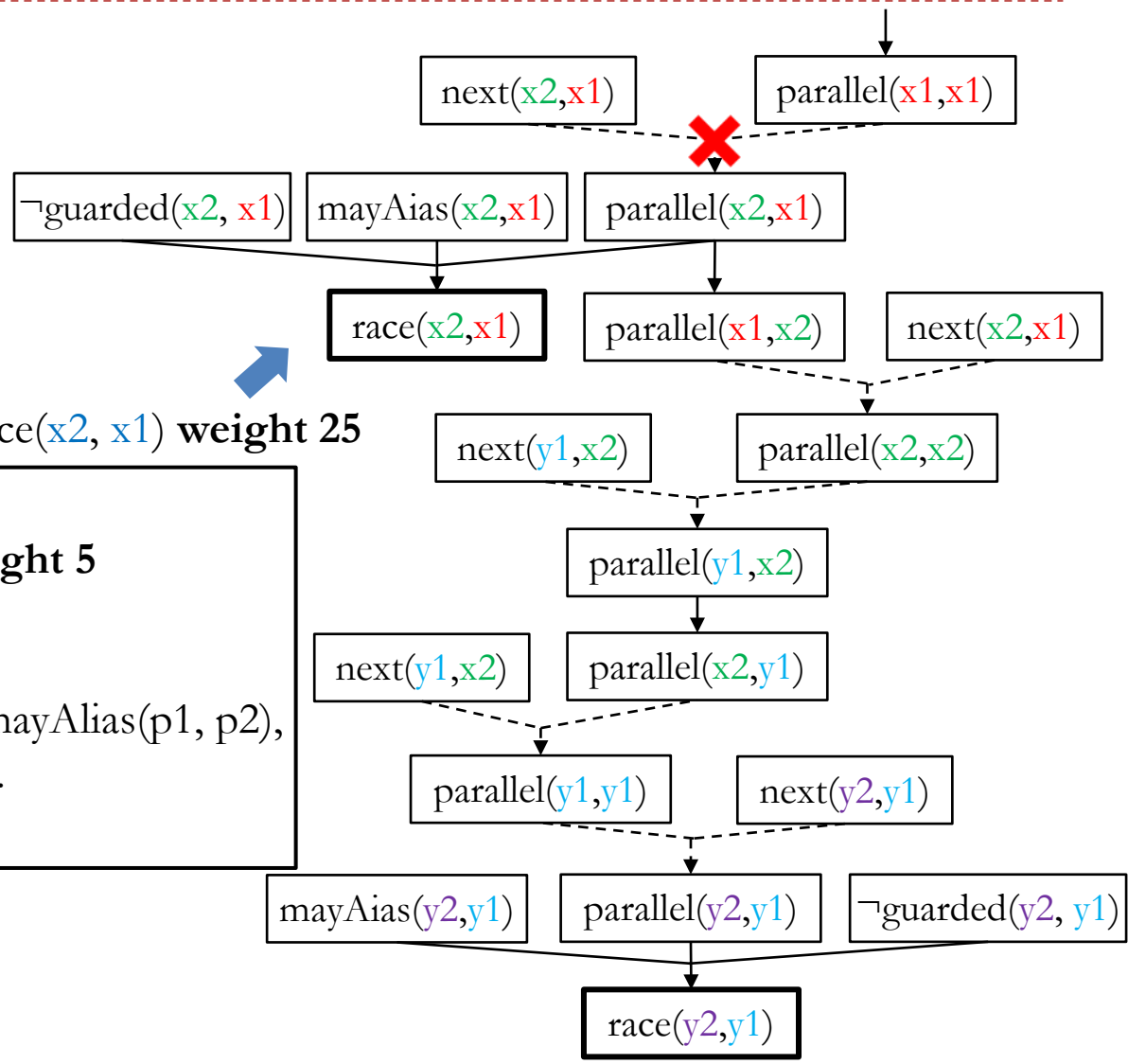
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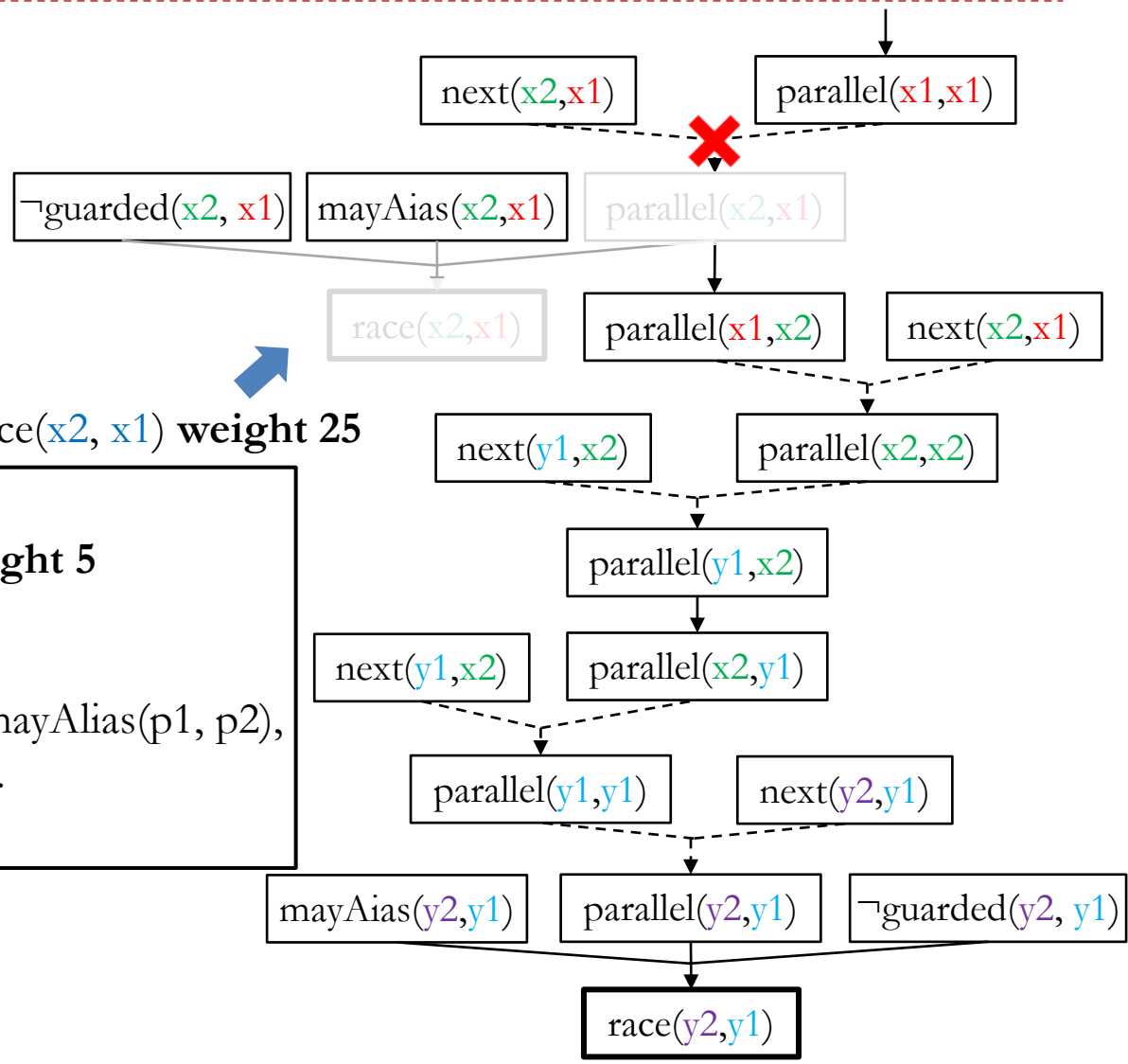
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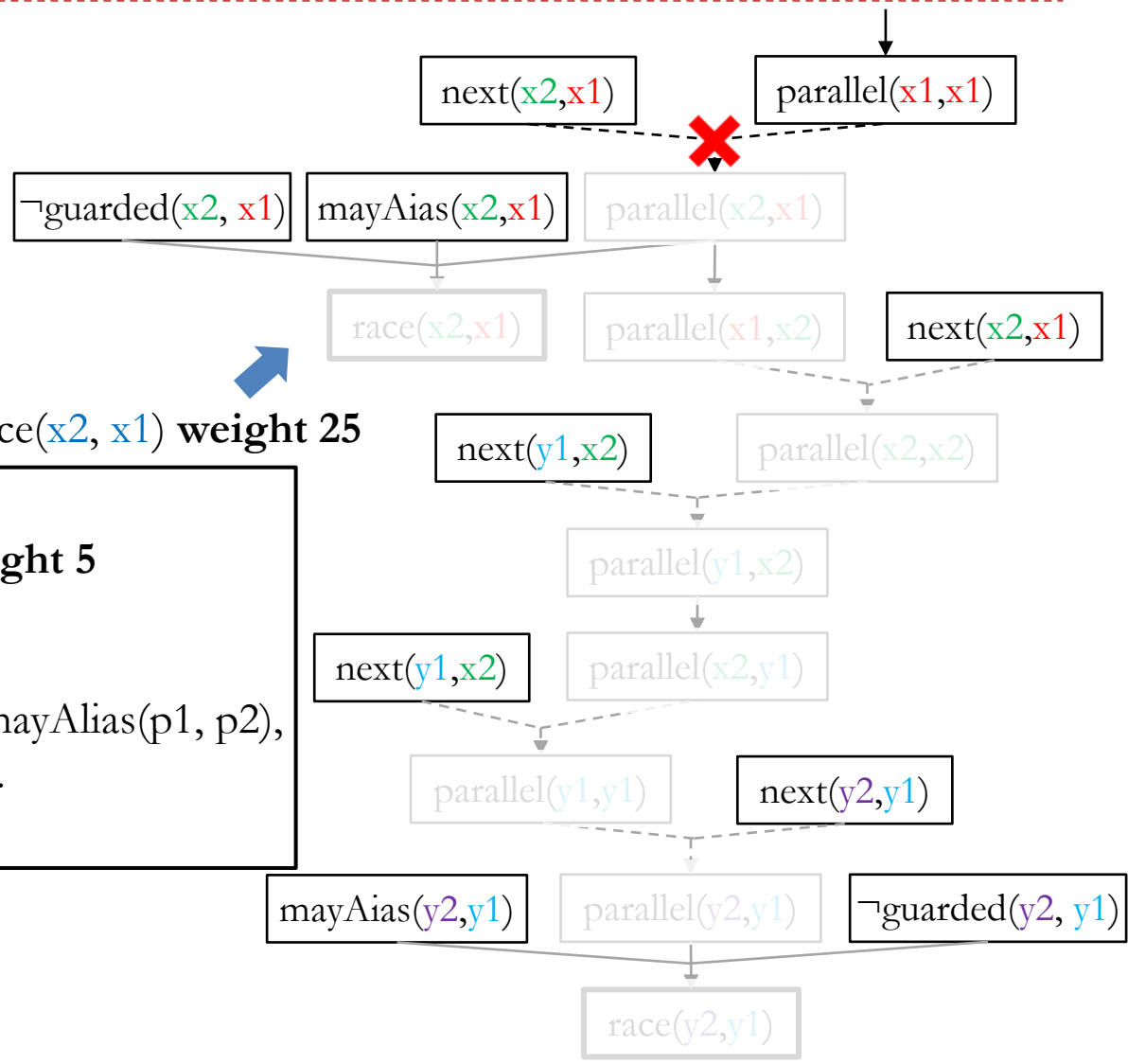
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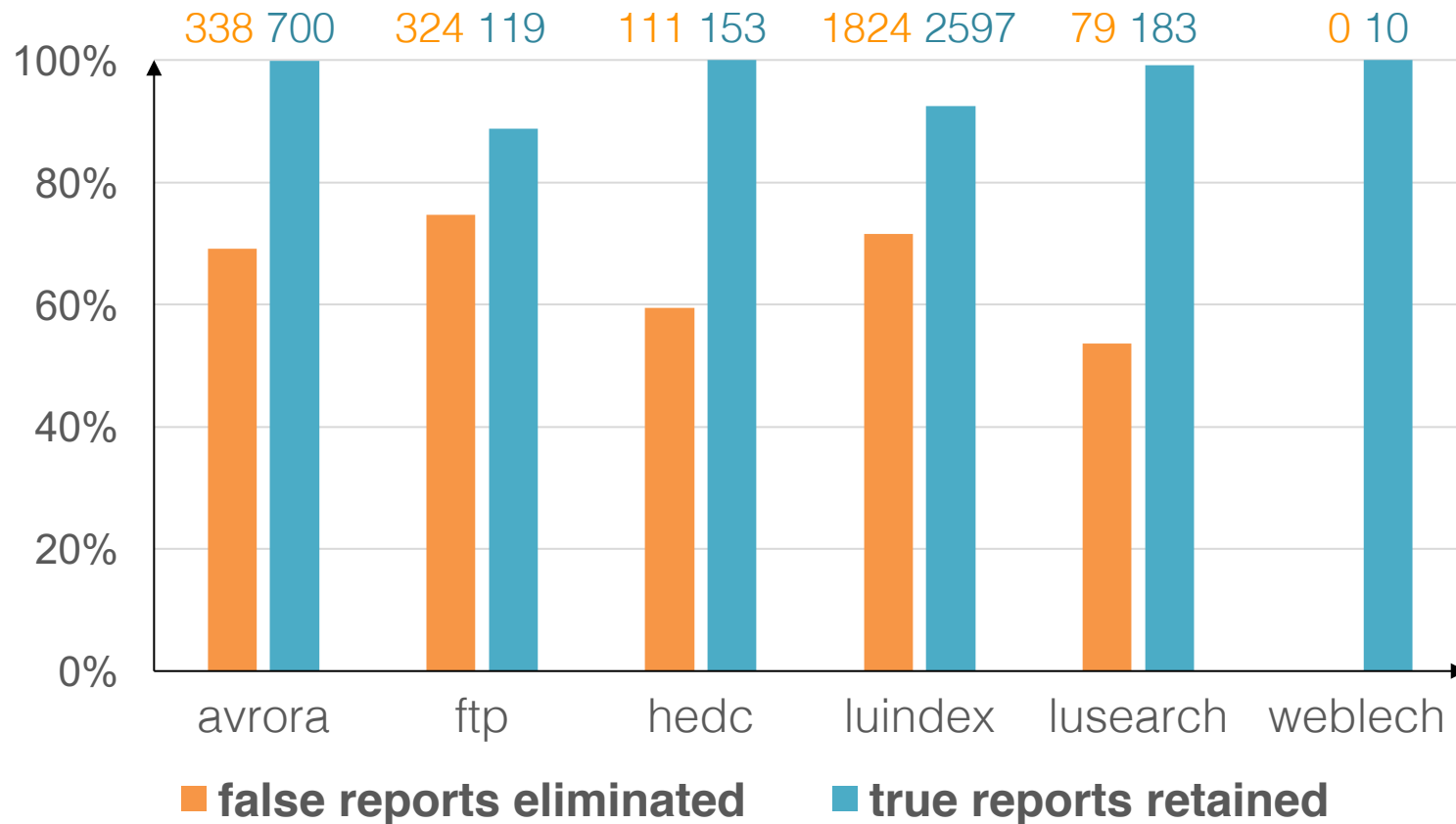
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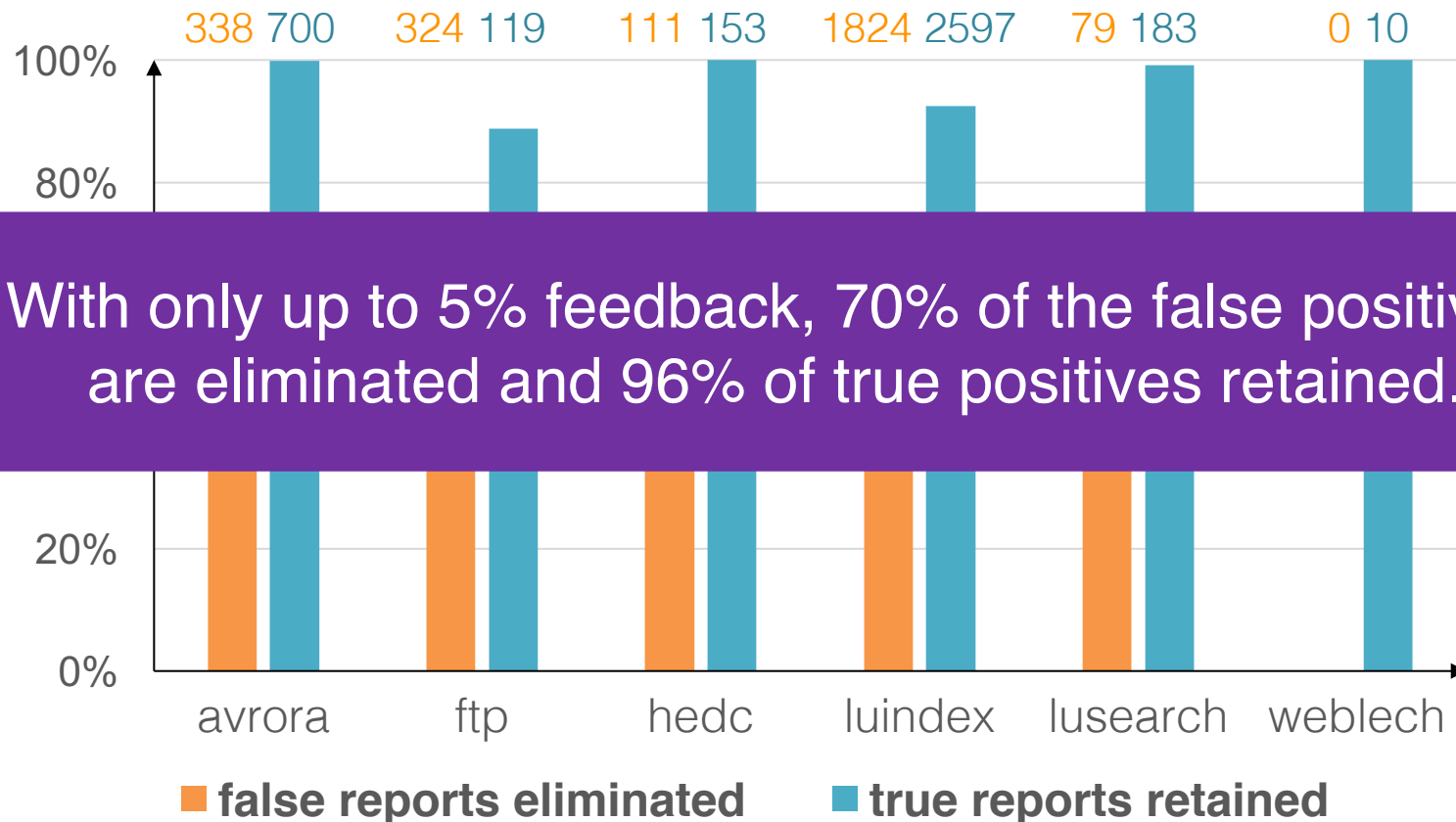
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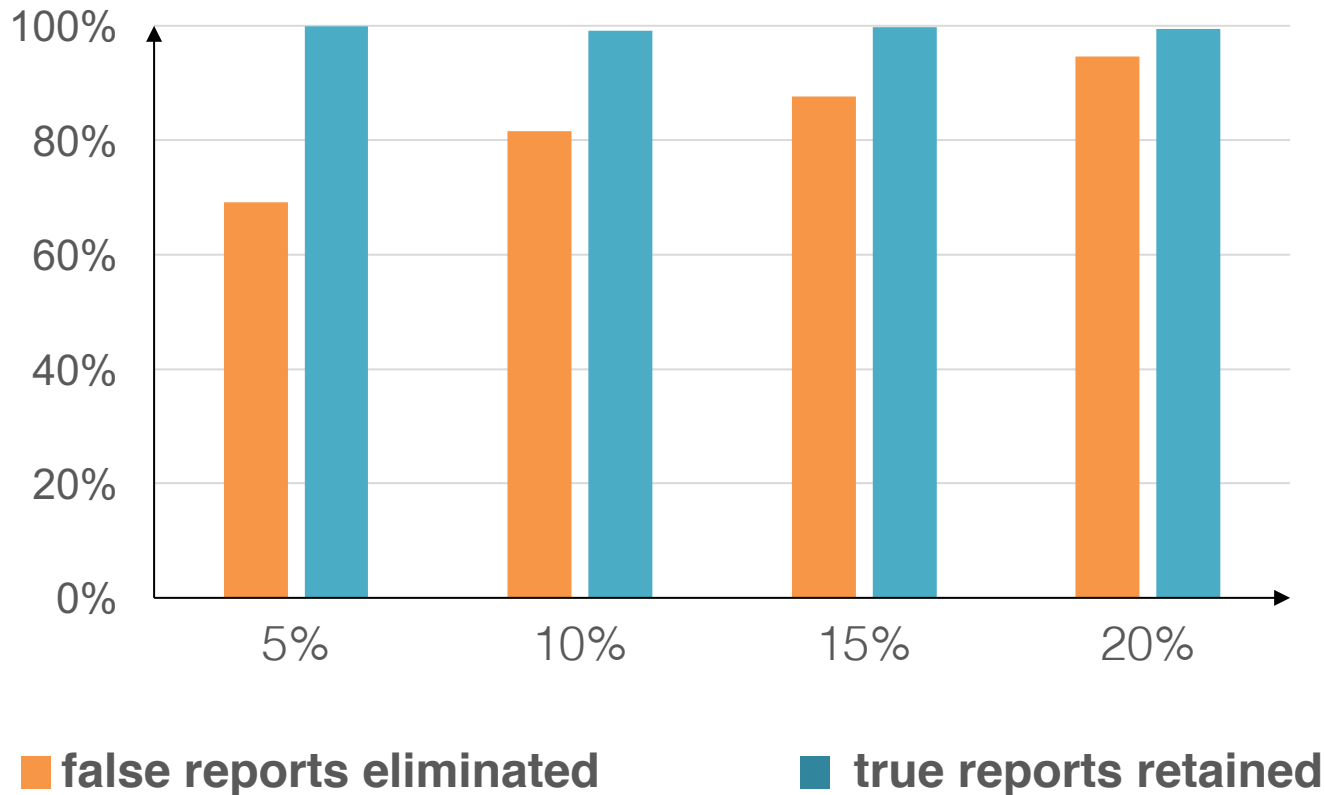
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With only up to 5% feedback, 70% of the false positives are eliminated and 96% of true positives are retained.

Impact of Varying Amount of Feedback

338 false and **700 true** reports



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Example Revisited: Static Datarace Analysis

Can this statement be executed by different threads in parallel?

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8 public Request getRequest() {  
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```

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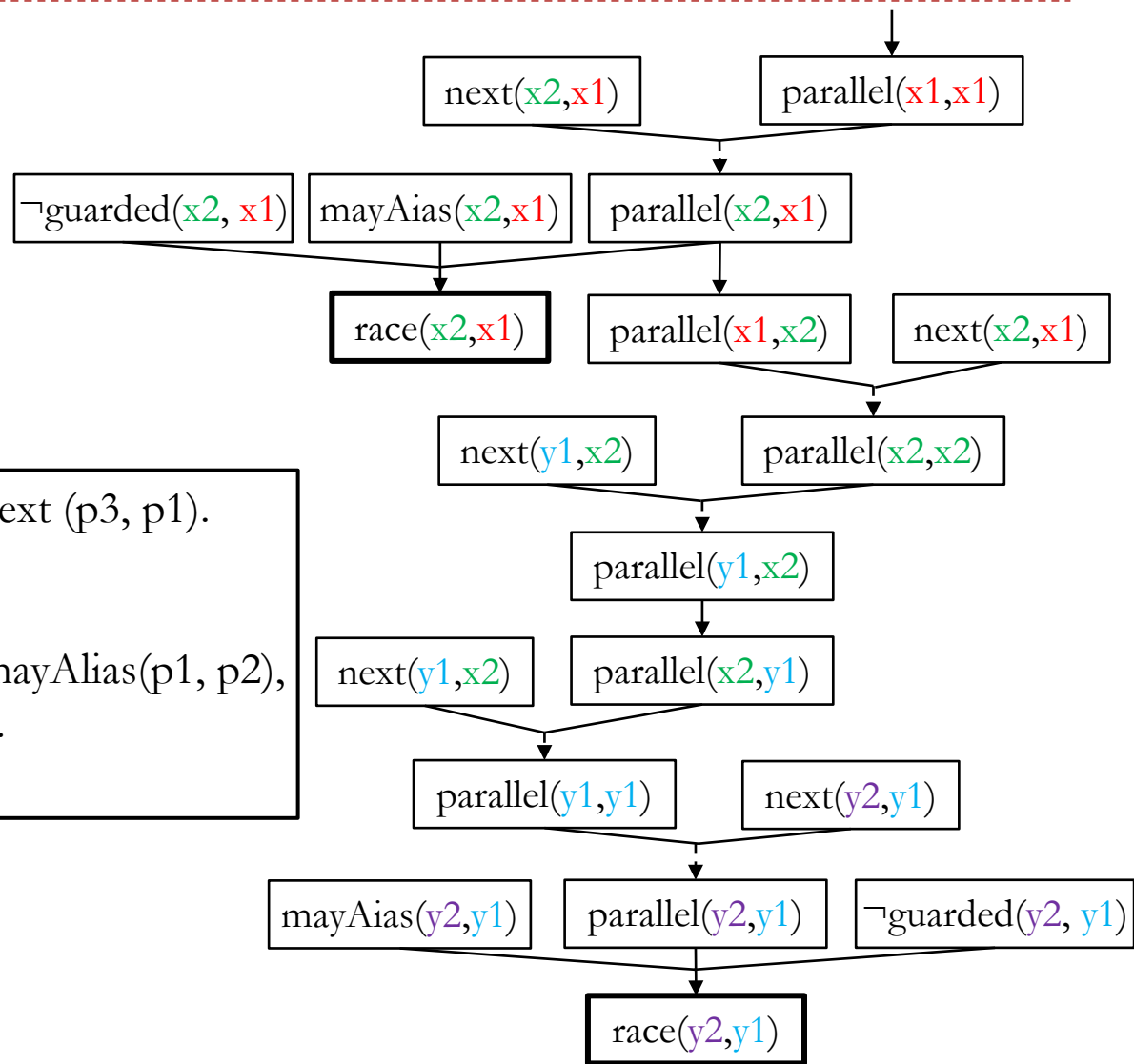


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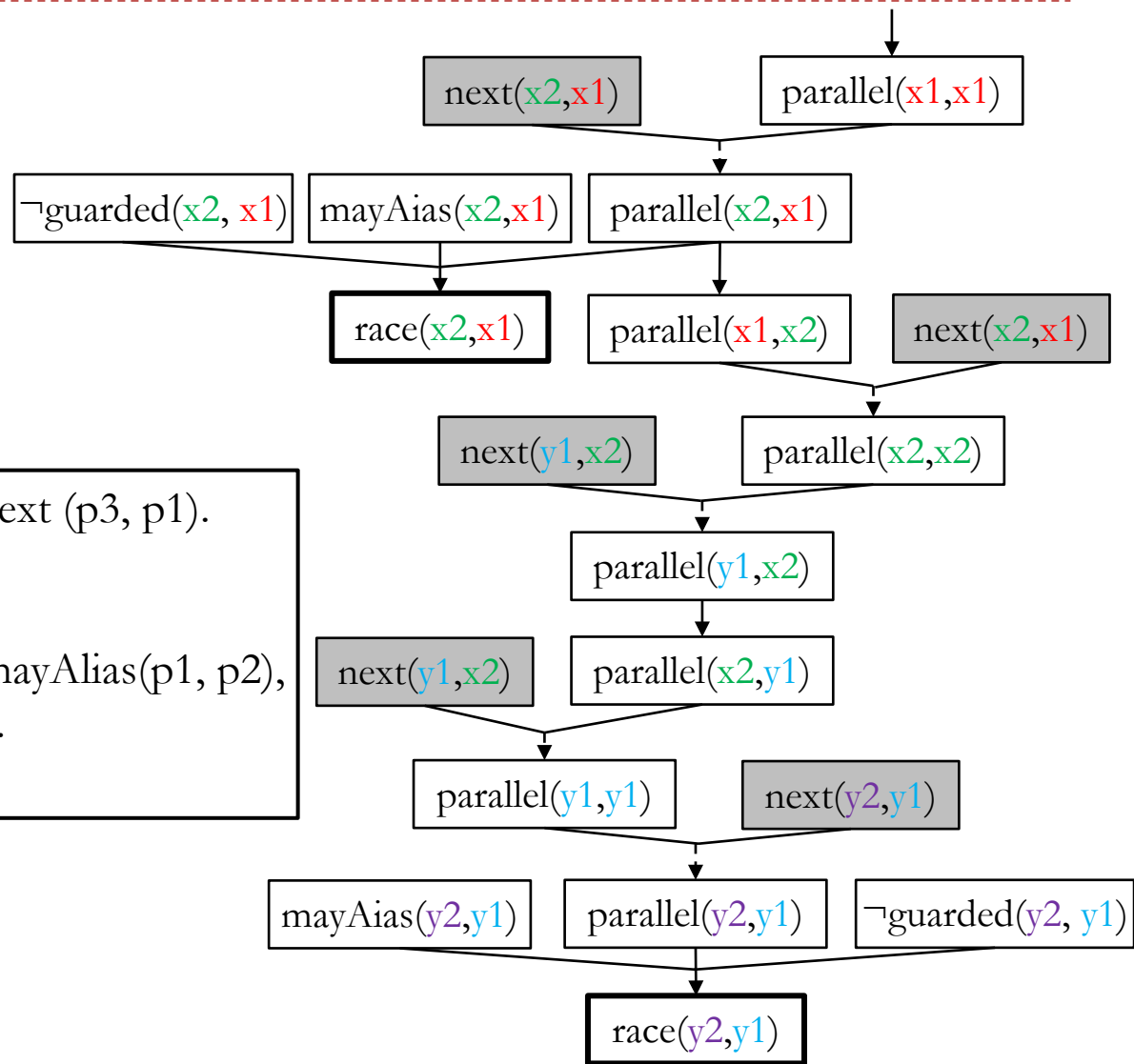


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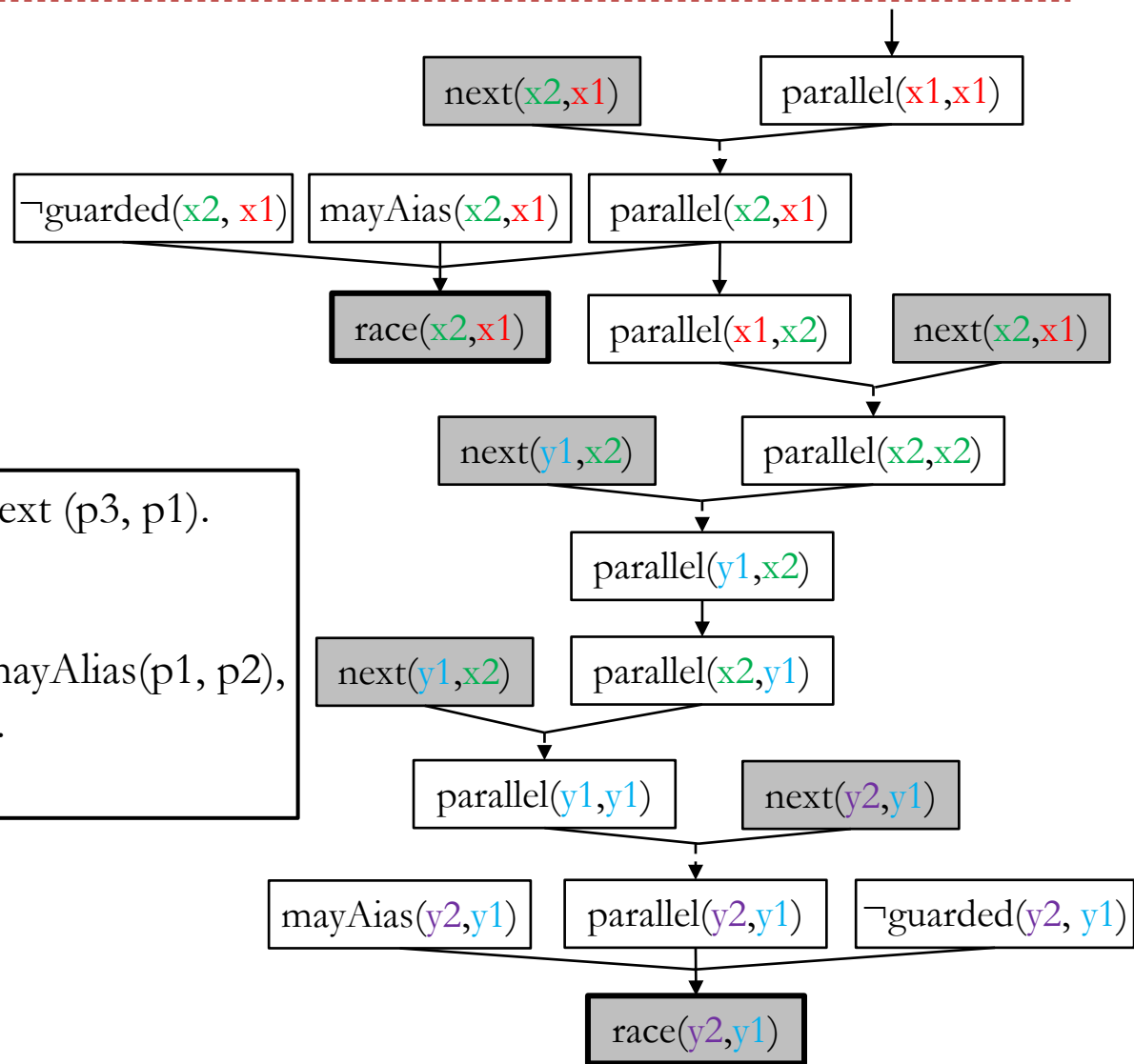
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Two Key Objectives

- ▶ **Generalization**

- ▶ Number of Questions \ll Number of Alarms Resolved

- ▶ **Prioritization**

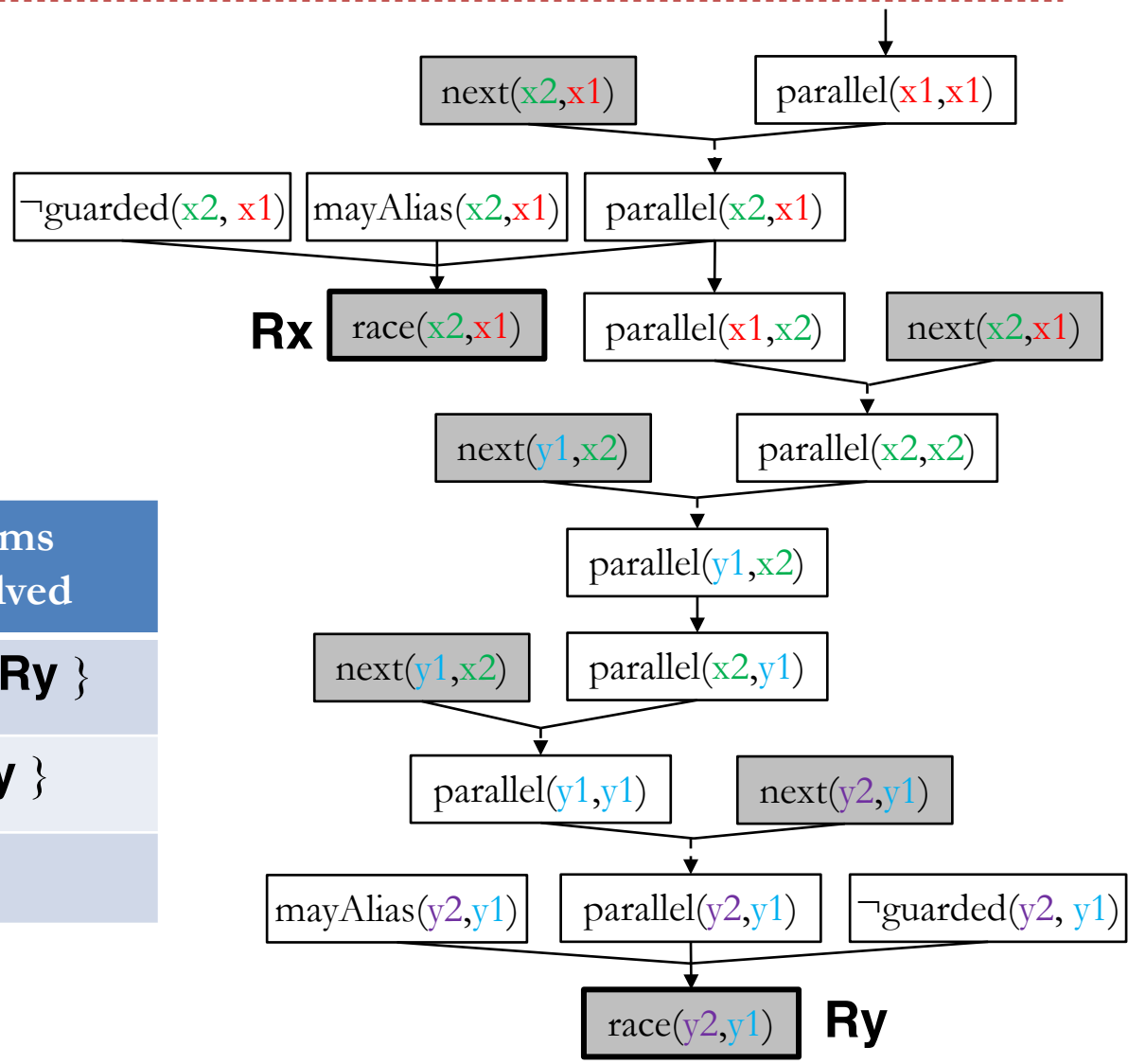
- ▶ Prioritize Questions Likely to Resolve the Most Alarms

Illustration: Payoff Comparison

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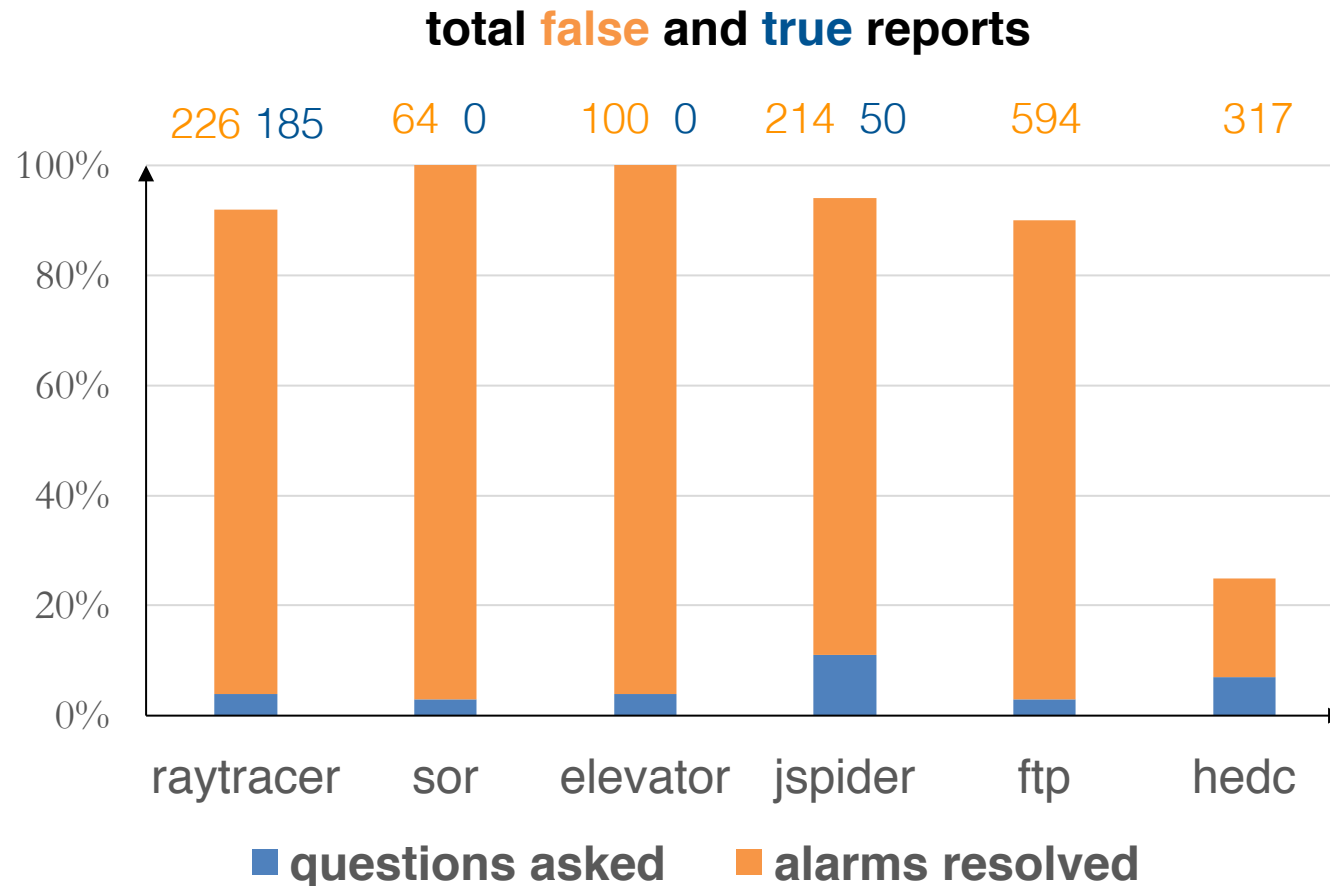


Questions Asked	Alarms Resolved
{ parallel(x1, x1) }	{ Rx , Ry }
{ parallel(y1, y1) }	{ Ry }
{ mayAlias(y2, y1) }	∅

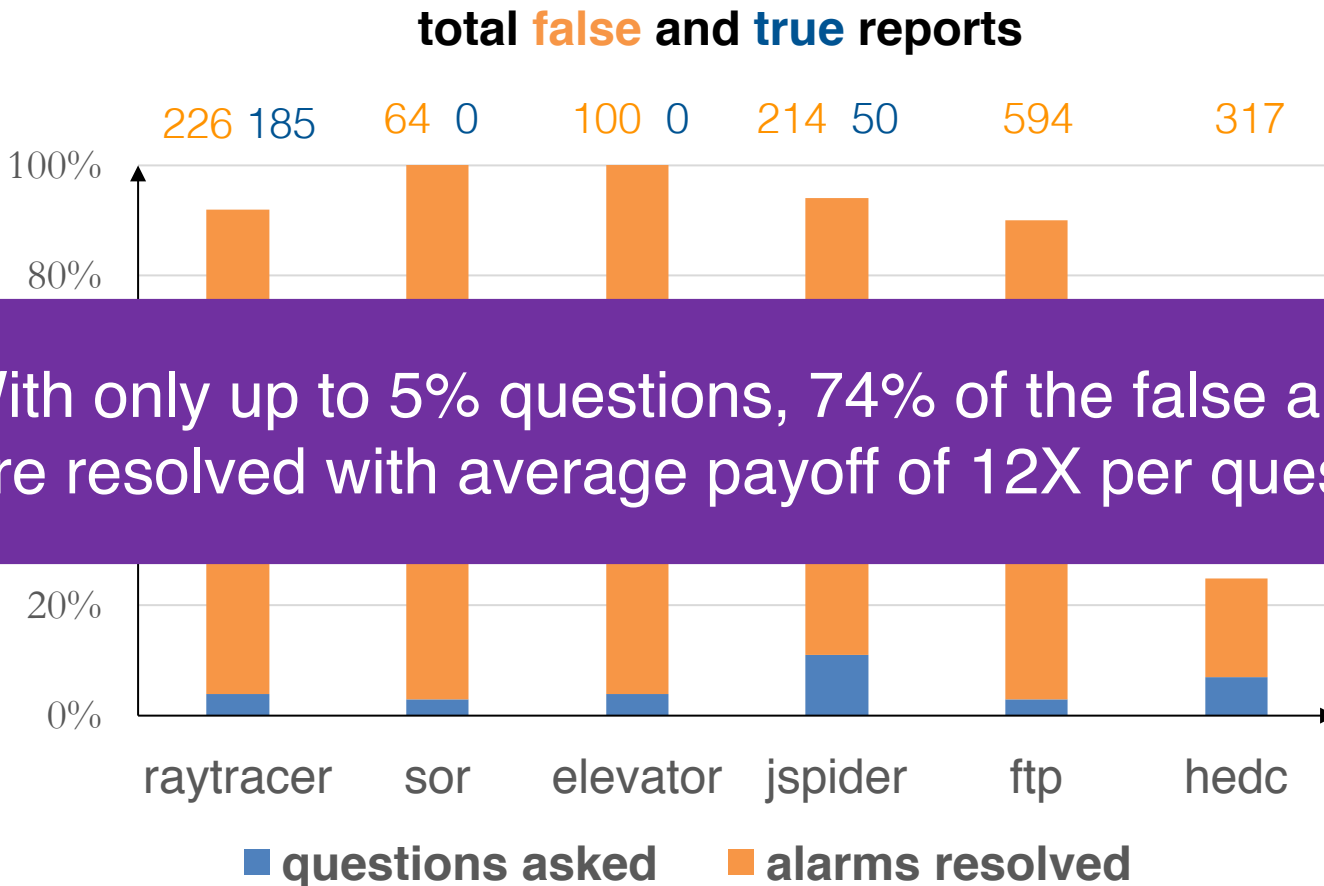
Highlights of Overall Approach

- ▶ Iterative: leverages labels of past questions in choosing future questions
- ▶ Maximizes the expected payoff in each iteration
 - ▶ Payoff = # Alarms Resolved / # Questions Asked
- ▶ Non-linear optimization objective
 - ▶ Binary search on payoff by solving sequence of MaxSAT instances
- ▶ Data-driven: leverages heuristics to guess likely labels
 - ▶ Static, Dynamic, Aggregated

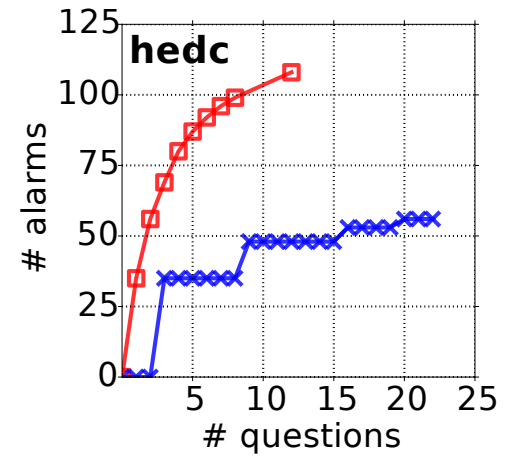
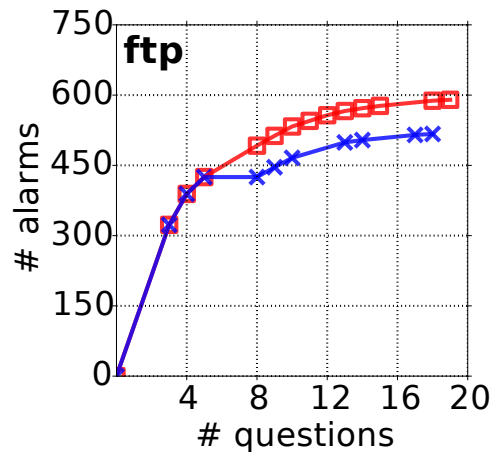
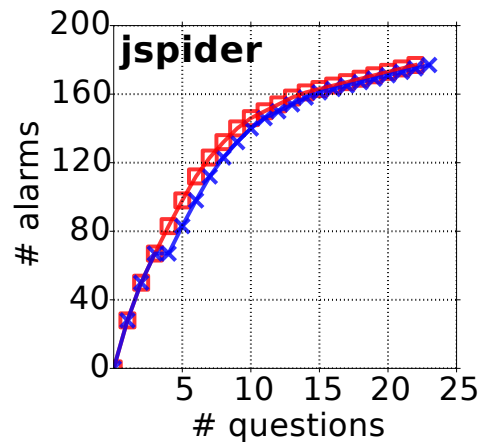
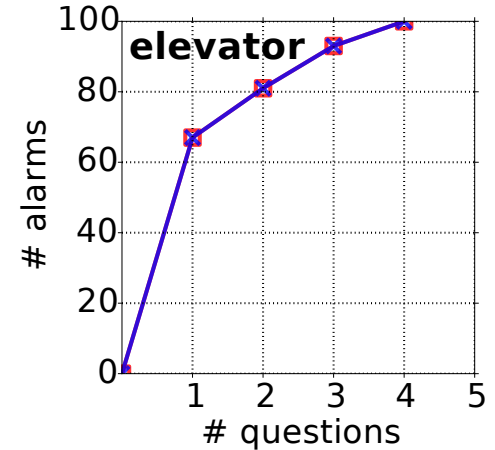
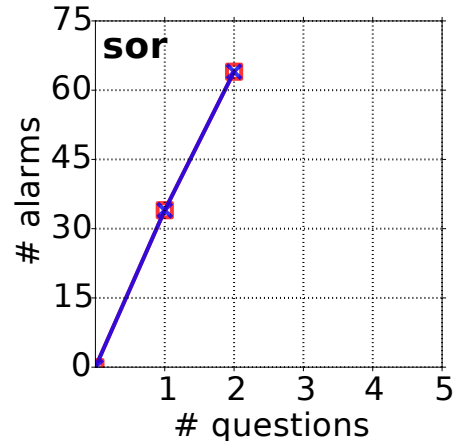
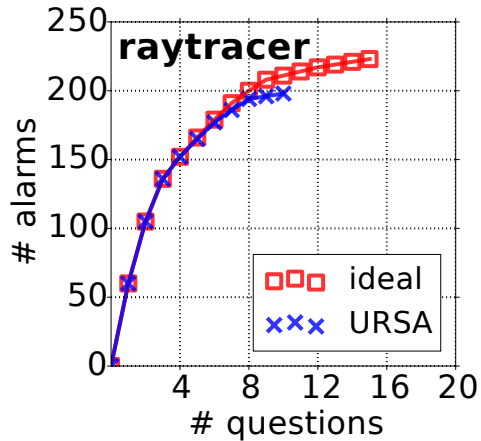
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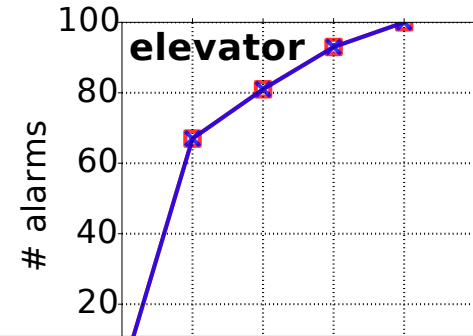
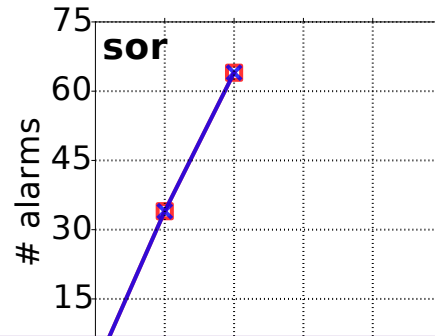
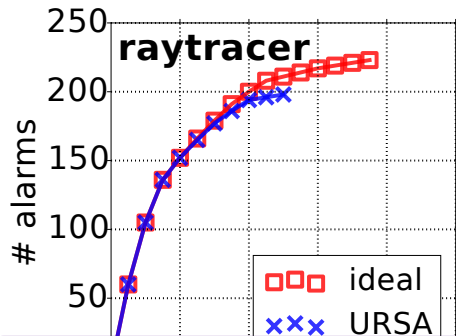
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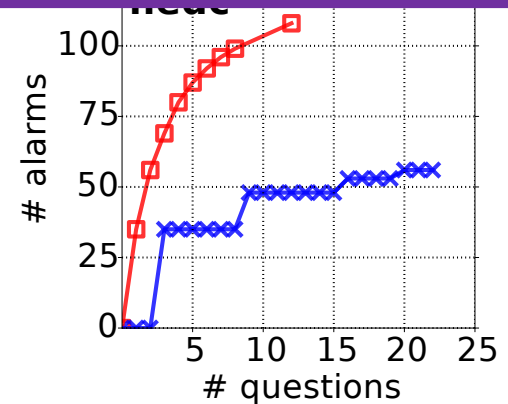
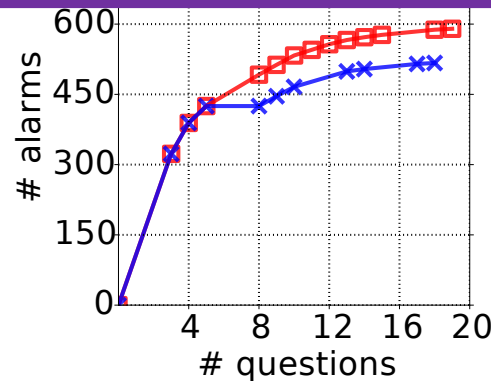
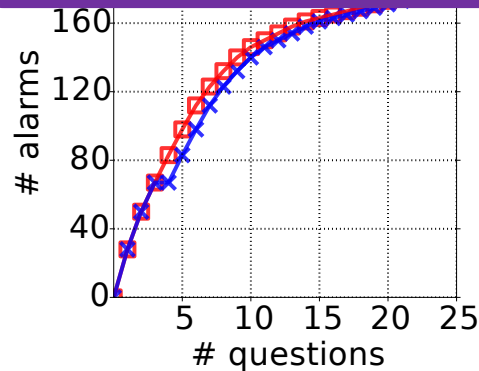
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Earlier iterations yield higher payoffs and match the performance of the ideal setting.



Summary: Applications in Software Analysis

Hard Constraints

Soft Constraints

	Hard Constraints	Soft Constraints
Automated Verification [PLDI'14]	analysis rules $\text{abstraction}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \text{abstraction}_n$	$\neg \text{result}_i$ weight w_i query resolution award abstraction_j weight w_j abstraction cost
Static Bug Detection [FSE'15]	analysis rules	analysis rule _i weight w_i confidence of writer $\neg \text{result}_j$ weight w_j confidence of user
Interactive Verification [OOPSLA'17]	analysis rules	$\neg \text{cause}_i$ weight w_i cost of inspection result_j weight w_j reward of resolution

Other Applications

▶ Statistical Relational Learning

```
wrote(p, t) :- advisedBy(s, p), wrote(s, t). weight 3
p == q :- advisedBy(s, p), advisedBy(s, q). weight 5
professor(p) :- advisedBy(_, p). weight 20
wrote("Tom", "paper1").
wrote("Tom", "paper2").
wrote("Jerry", "paper1").
wrote("Chuck", "paper2").
professor("Jerry").
```

Given constraints and facts,
find most likely answer to:
`advisedBy("Tom", ?)`

▶ Mathematical Programming

```
totalShelf [] += stock[p] * space [p]
totalProfit[] += stock[p] * profit[p]
product(p) -> stock[p]      >= minStock[p]
product(p) -> stock[p]      <= maxStock[p]
true          -> totalShelf[] <= maxShelf[]
lang:solve:variable(`stock)
lang:solve:max(`totalProfit)
```

Talk Outline

- ▶ Background
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The Inference Problem

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edge(x, y)

Output relations:

path(x, y)

Hard constraints:

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path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).

Soft constraints:

\neg path(x, y). weight 1.5

Markov Logic Network



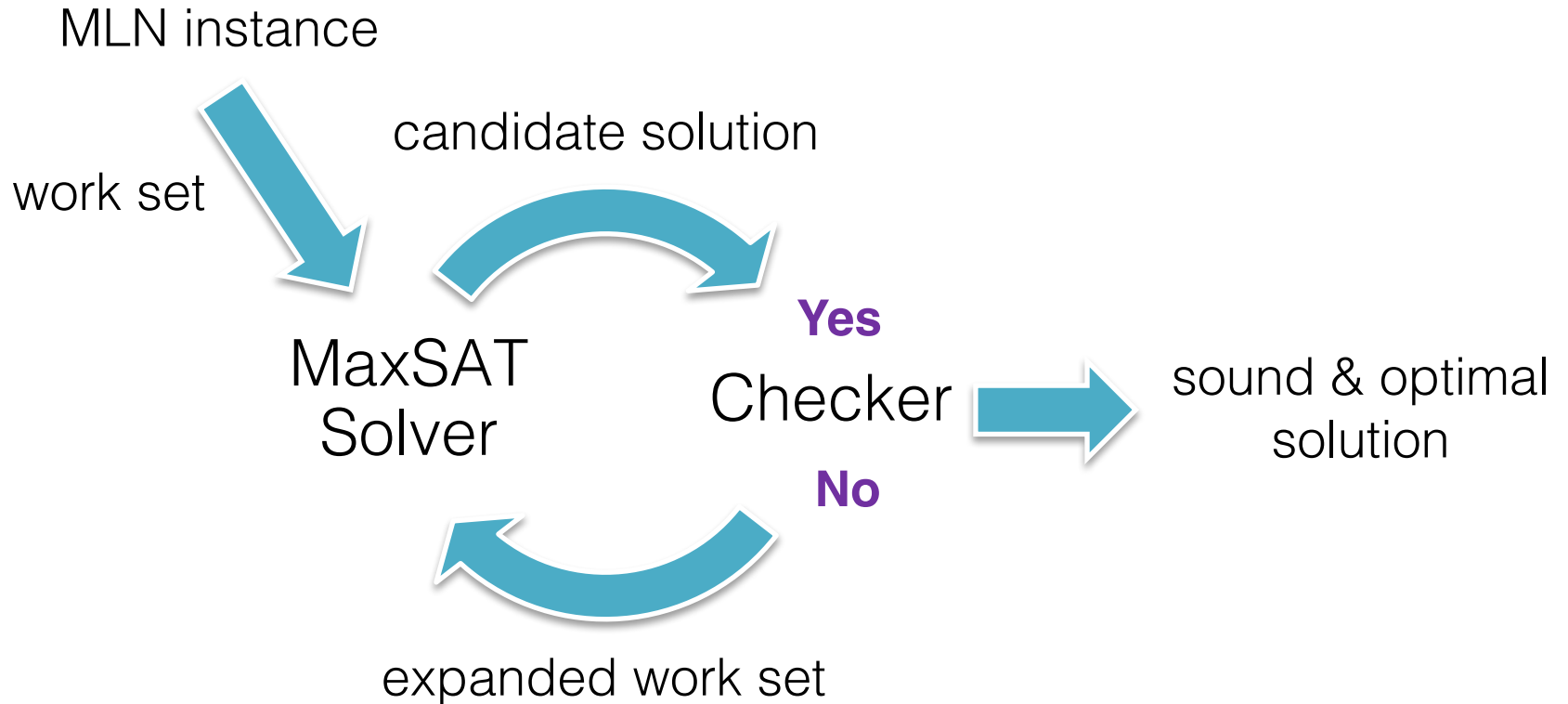
Solver

Existing Solvers	Soundness	Optimality	Scalability
Tuffy [VLDB'11]	✗	✗	✓
Alchemy [ML'06]	✗	✗	✓
CPI [UAI'08]	✓	✓	✗
RockIt [AAAI'13]	✓	✓	✗
Z3 [TACAS'08]	✓	✓	✗

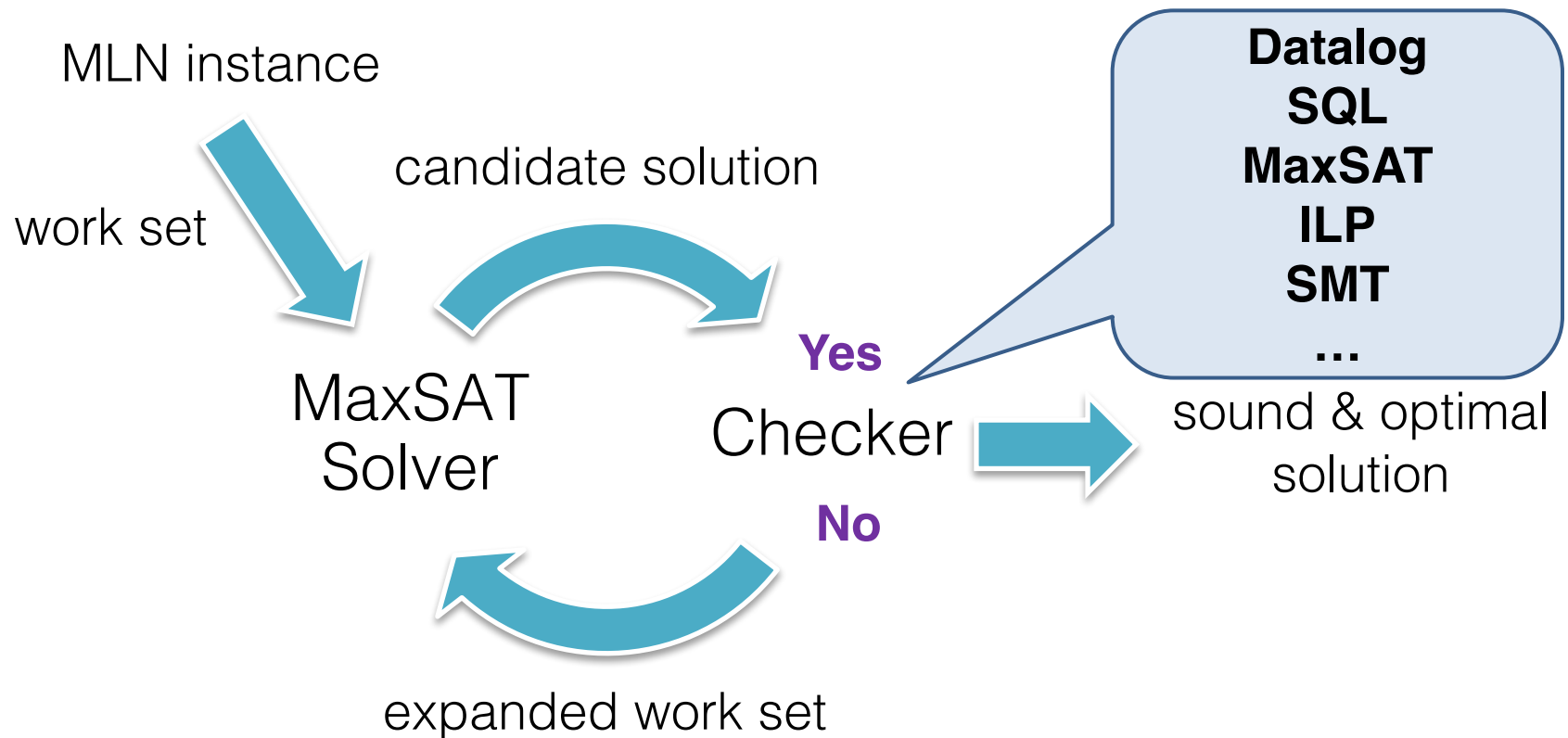
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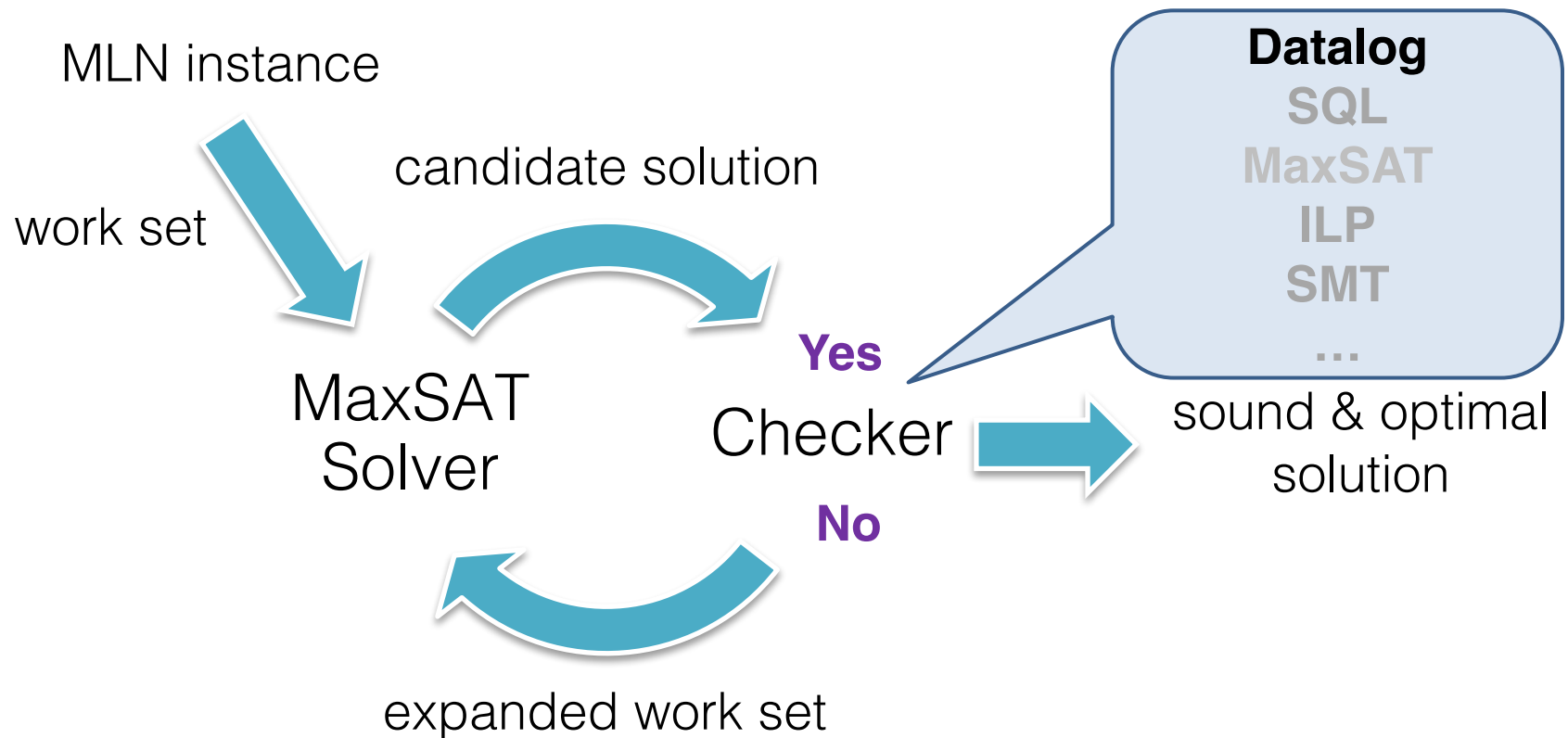
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Framework Instances

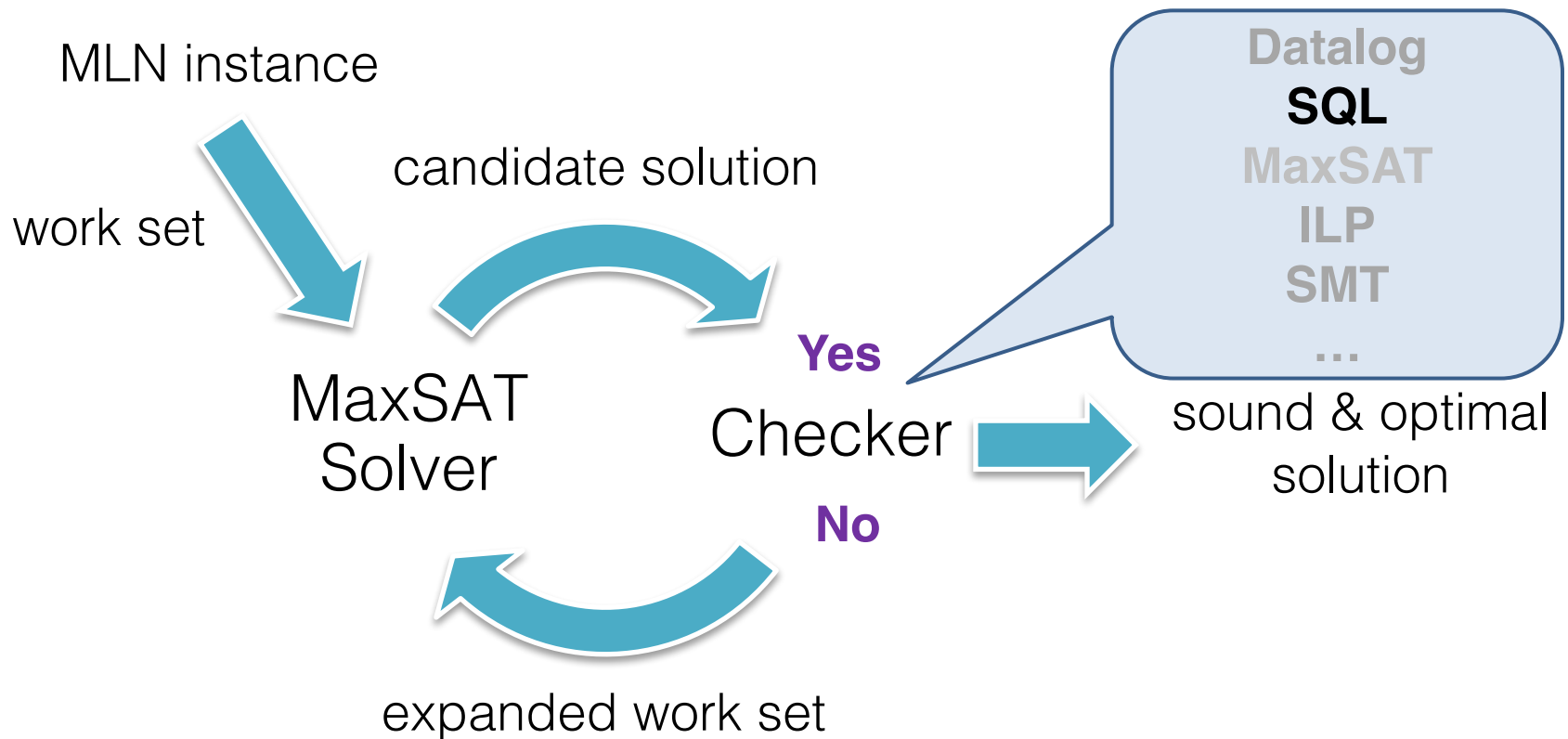


Framework Instance: Abstraction Refinement



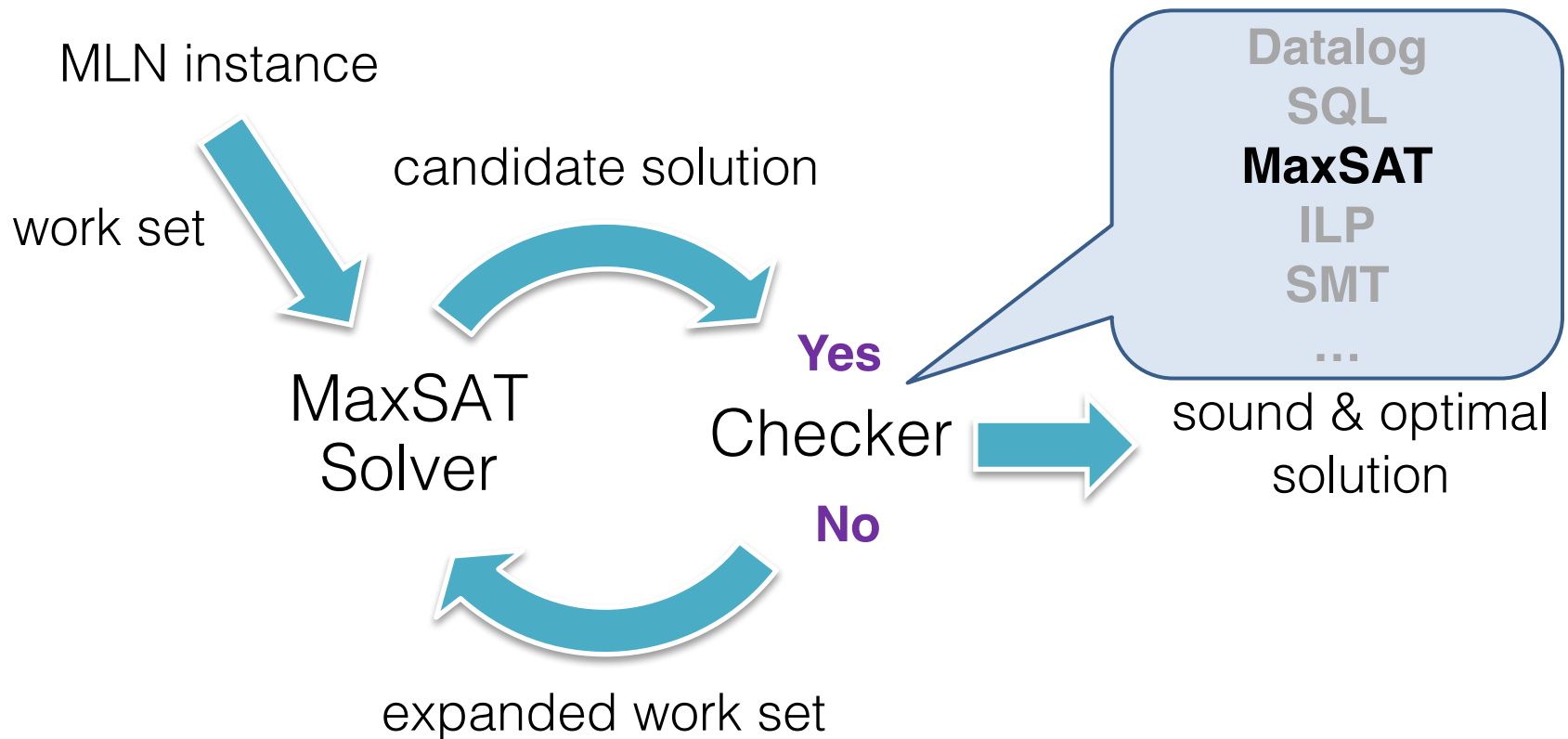
On Abstraction Refinement for Program Analyses in Datalog
[PLDI 2014]

Framework Instance: Bottom-Up Solving



Scaling Relational Inference Using Proofs and Refutations
[AAAI 2016]

Framework Instance: Top-Down Solving



Query-Guided Maximum Satisfiability
[POPL 2016]

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Bottom-Up Solving

Follows **cutting-plane method [Riedl'09]** with three new insights for better scalability on our applications:

1. Exploits **high-level structure of MLN** to efficiently find new ground constraints violated current solution.
2. Accelerates convergence by eagerly grounding **Horn constraints** using Datalog solver.
3. **Terminates earlier** by checking objective value (rather than set of violated soft constraints) for saturation.

Example

Input relations:

$\text{edge}(x, y)$

Output relations:

$\text{path}(x, y)$

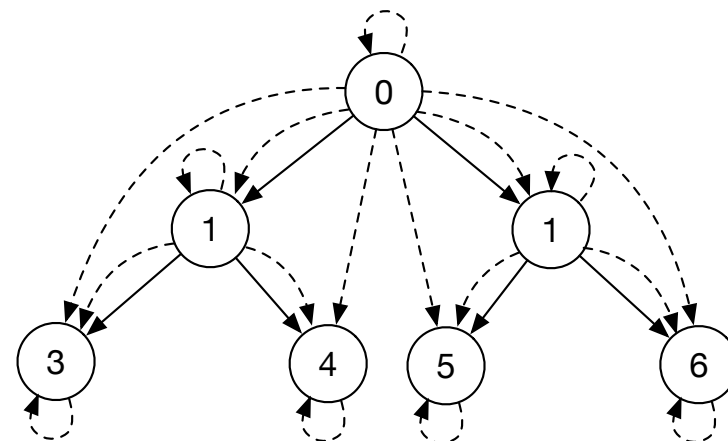
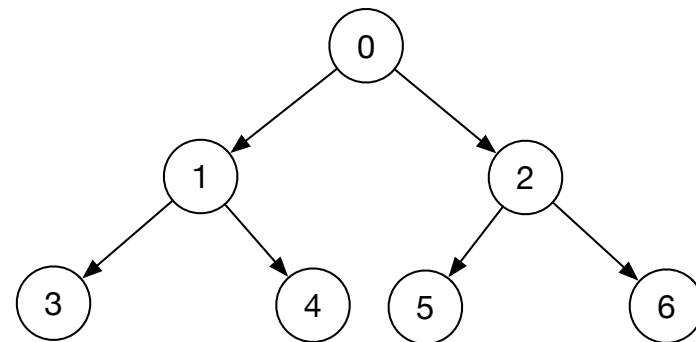
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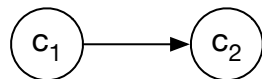
$\text{path}(x, z) :- \text{path}(x, y), \text{edge}(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

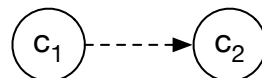
$\neg \text{path}(x, y).$ **weight 1.5**



$\text{edge}(c_1, c_2)$



$\text{path}(c_1, c_2)$



Example: Iteration 1 - Solve

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

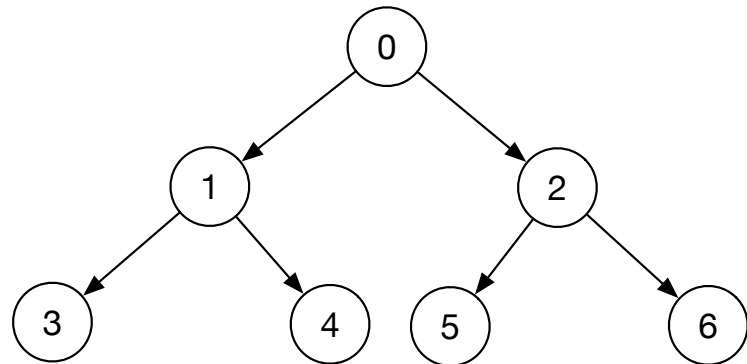
Soft constraints:

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Hard clauses:

$edge(0,1) \wedge \dots \wedge edge(2,6)$

Soft clauses:



Example: Iteration 1 - Check

Input relations:

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Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

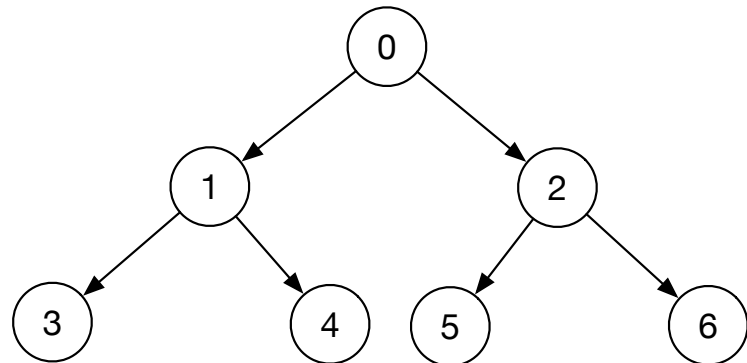
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Hard clauses:

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Soft clauses:



Example: Iteration 2 - Solve

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

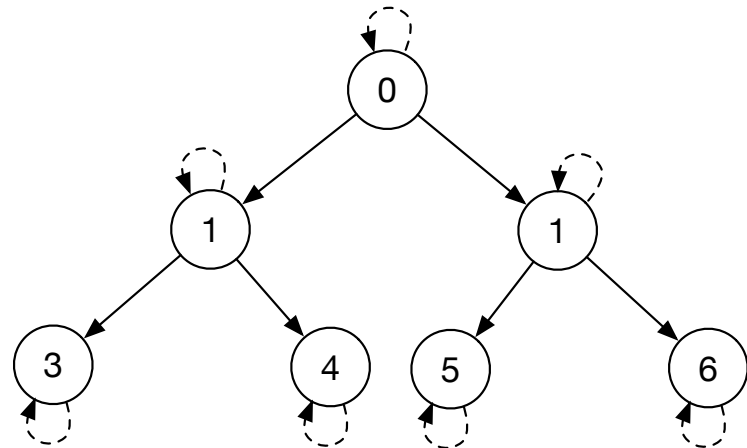
$\neg path(x, y).$ **weight 1.5**

Hard clauses:

$edge(0,1) \wedge \dots \wedge edge(2,6) \wedge$

$path(0,0) \wedge \dots \wedge path(6,6)$

Soft clauses:



Example: Iteration 2 - Check

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

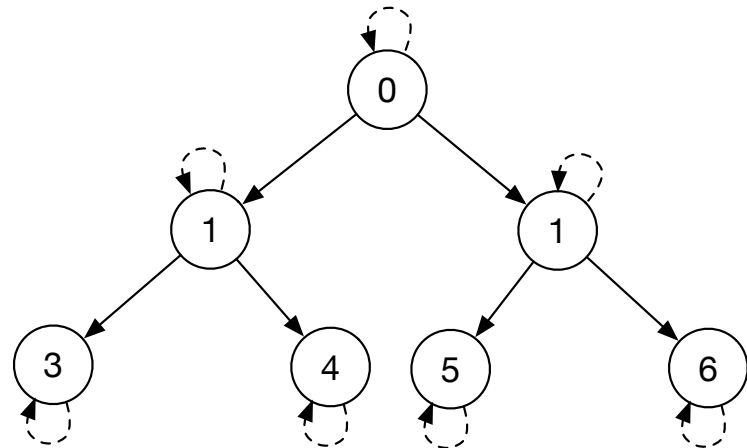
Soft constraints:

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Hard clauses:

$edge(0,1) \wedge \dots \wedge edge(2,6) \wedge$
 $path(0,0) \wedge \dots \wedge path(6,6)$

Soft clauses:



Example: Iteration 3 - Solve

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

$\neg path(x, y).$ **weight 1.5**

Hard clauses:

$edge(0,1) \wedge \dots \wedge edge(2,6) \wedge$

$path(0,0) \wedge \dots \wedge path(6,6) \wedge$

$path(0,1) \vee \neg path(0,0) \vee \neg edge(0,1) \wedge$

$path(0,2) \vee \neg path(0,0) \vee \neg edge(0,2) \wedge$

$\dots \wedge$

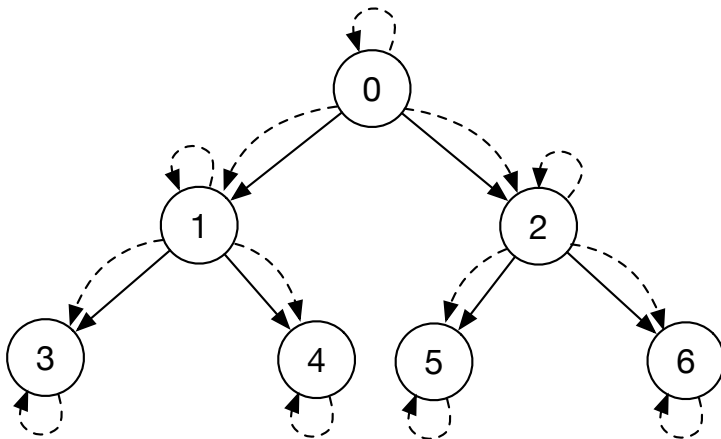
$path(2,6) \vee \neg path(2,2) \vee \neg edge(2,6)$

Soft clauses:

$(\neg path(0,0) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$

$\dots \wedge$

$(\neg path(6,6) \text{ weight } 1.5)$



Example: Iteration 3 - Check

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

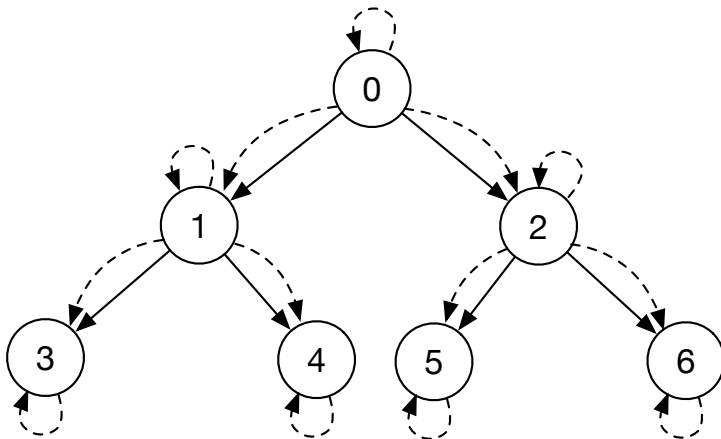
$\neg path(x, y).$ weight 1.5

Hard clauses:

$edge(0,1) \wedge \dots \wedge edge(2,6) \wedge$
 $path(0,0) \wedge \dots \wedge path(6,6) \wedge$
 $path(0,1) \vee \neg path(0,0) \vee \neg edge(0,1) \wedge$
 $path(0,2) \vee \neg path(0,0) \vee \neg edge(0,2) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $path(2,6) \vee \neg path(2,2) \vee \neg edge(2,6)$

Soft clauses:

$(\neg path(0,0) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $(\neg path(6,6) \text{ weight } 1.5)$



Example: Iteration 4 - Solve

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

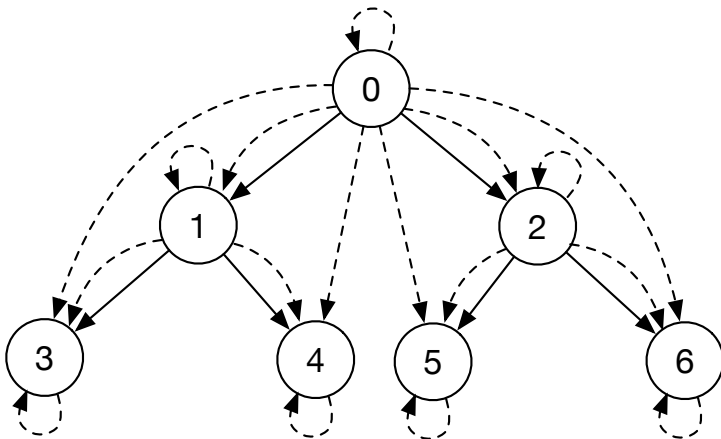
$\neg path(x, y).$ **weight 1.5**

Hard clauses:

$edge(0,1) \wedge \dots \wedge edge(2,6) \wedge$
 $path(0,0) \wedge \dots \wedge path(6,6) \wedge$
 $path(0,1) \vee \neg path(0,0) \vee \neg edge(0,1) \wedge$
 $path(0,2) \vee \neg path(0,0) \vee \neg edge(0,2) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $path(2,6) \vee \neg path(2,2) \vee \neg edge(2,6) \wedge$
 $path(0,3) \vee \neg path(0,1) \vee \neg edge(1,3) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $path(0,6) \vee \neg path(0,2) \vee \neg edge(2,6)$

Soft clauses:

$(\neg path(0,0) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $(\neg path(6,6) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $(\neg path(0,1) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $(\neg path(2,6) \text{ weight } 1.5)$



Example: Iteration 4 - Check

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

$path(x, x).$

$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

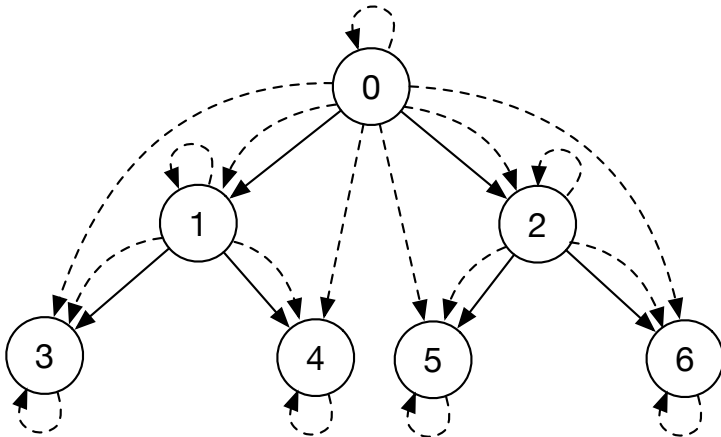
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 $\dots \wedge$
 $path(0,6) \vee \neg path(0,2) \vee \neg edge(2,6)$

Soft clauses:

$(\neg path(0,0) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $(\neg path(6,6) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $(\neg path(0,1) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
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Example: Iteration 5 - Solve

Input relations:

$edge(x, y)$

Output relations:

$path(x, y)$

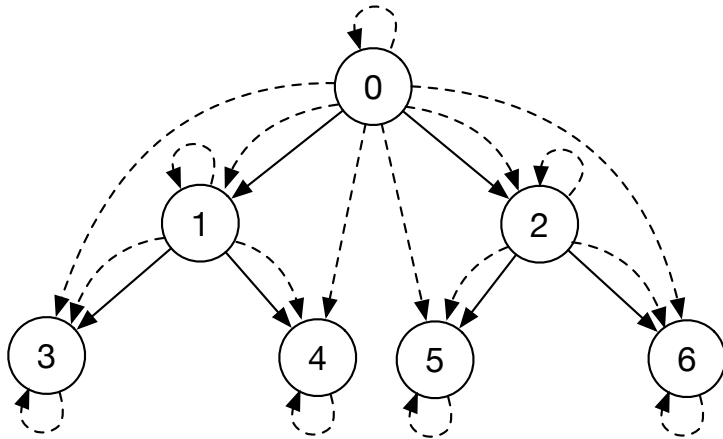
Hard constraints:

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$path(x, z) :- path(x, y), edge(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

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Hard clauses:

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 $path(0,0) \wedge \dots \wedge path(6,6) \wedge$
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 $path(0,2) \vee \neg path(0,0) \vee \neg edge(0,2) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
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 $\dots \wedge$
 $path(0,6) \vee \neg path(0,2) \vee \neg edge(2,6)$

Soft clauses:

$(\neg path(0,0) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $(\neg path(6,6) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $(\neg path(0,1) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $(\neg path(2,6) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $(\neg path(0,3) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
 $\dots \wedge$
 $(\neg path(0,6) \text{ weight } 1.5)$

Example: Iteration 5 - Check

- 1) All hard constraints are satisfied
- 2) No new violated soft constraints
 \Rightarrow sound to terminate

Hard constraints:

$\text{path}(x, x).$

$\text{path}(x, z) :- \text{path}(x, y), \text{edge}(y, z).$

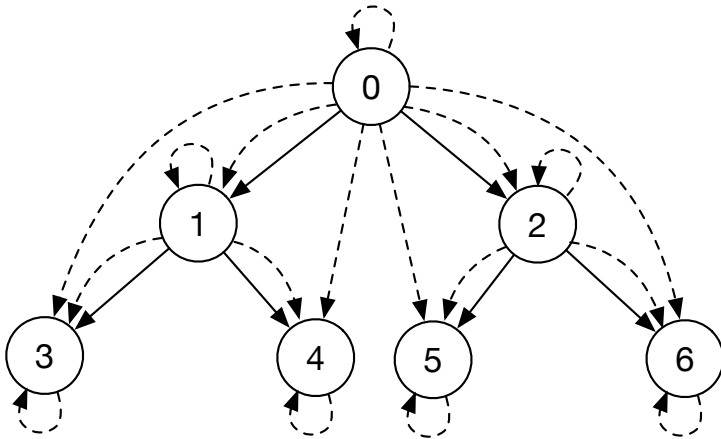
Soft constraints:

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Hard clauses:

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Soft clauses:

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Horn-Guided Optimization

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Output relations:

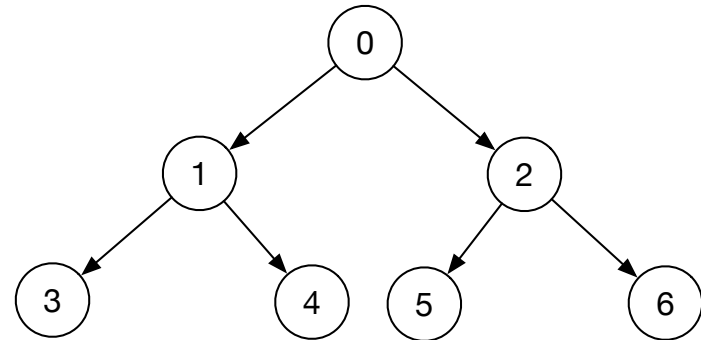
$\text{path}(x, y)$

Hard constraints:

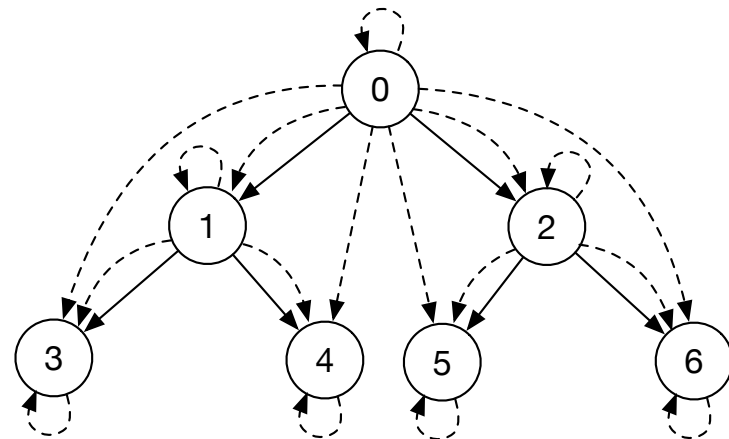
$\text{path}(x, x).$ **Horn Rules!**
 $\text{path}(x, z) :- \text{path}(x, y), \text{edge}(y, z).$

Soft constraints:

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Preprocess
hard Horn rules



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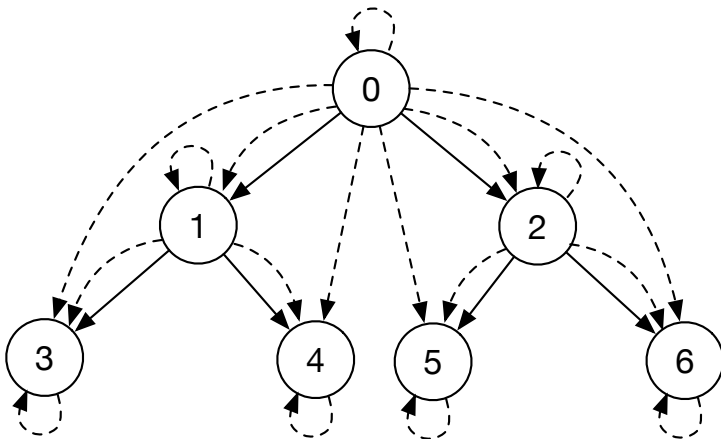
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Hard clauses:

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... \wedge
 $(\neg \text{path}(6,6) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
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... \wedge
 $(\neg \text{path}(2,6) \text{ weight } 1.5) \wedge$
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... \wedge
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Performance Evaluation

	total # ground clauses	# iterations		total time (hours : mins)		# ground clauses	
		Lazy	Guided	Lazy	Guided	Lazy	Guided
avrora	1.8×10^{26}	492	12	6:31	0:25	0.8M	1.6M
ftp	3.7×10^{23}	463	5	7:53	0:08	1.2M	1.4M
hedc	1.9×10^{24}	354	6	1:55	0:06	0.8M	0.9M
luindex	1.6×10^{25}	481	7	4:07	0:12	0.6M	1.1M
lusearch	1.7×10^{25}	429	6	2:38	0:14	0.6M	1.0M
weblech	4.4×10^{24}	416	6	1:59	0:07	0.6M	0.9M

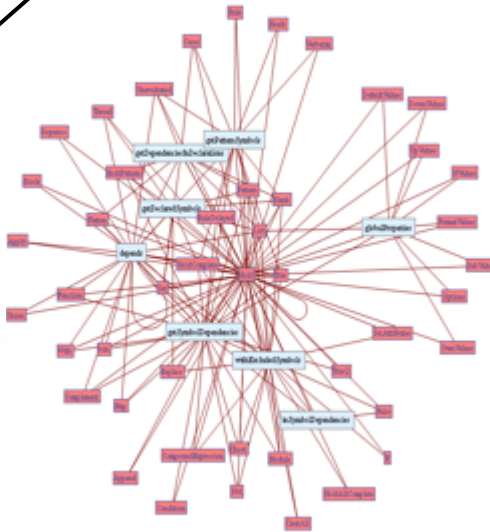
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Queries in Different Domains

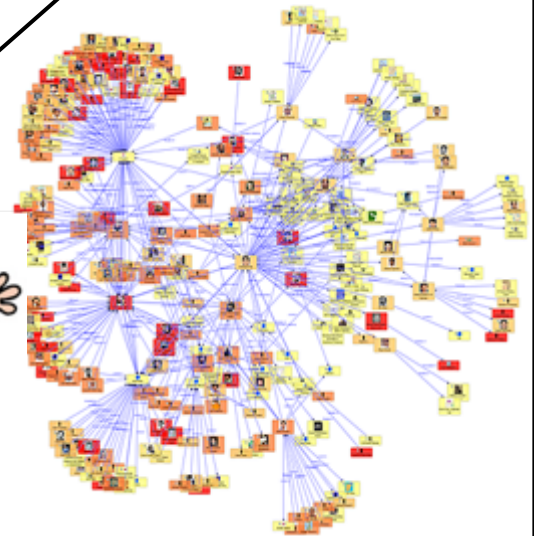
Program Reasoning:

Does variable **head** alias with variable **tail** on line 50 in Complex.java?



Information Retrieval:

Is **Dijkstra** most likely an author of “**Structured Programming**”?



Queries in MaxSAT

	a	\wedge	(C1)
	$\neg a \vee b$	\wedge	(C2)
4	$\neg b \vee c$	\wedge	(C3)
2	$\neg c \vee d$	\wedge	(C4)
7	$\neg d$		(C5)

QUERIES = {a, d}

Query-Guided Maximum Satisfiability (Q-MaxSAT)

	a	\wedge	(C1)
	$\neg a \vee b$	\wedge	(C2)
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Solution: a = true, d = false

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MaxSAT Solution: a = true, b = true, c = true, d = false

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Our key idea:

Use a small set of clauses to succinctly summarize effect of unexplored clauses

Example

Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight	100	∧
v8		weight	100	∧
\neg v7		weight	100	∧
\neg v3	∨ v1	weight	5	∧
\neg v5	∨ v2	weight	5	∧
\neg v5	∨ v3	weight	5	∧
\neg v6	∨ v5	weight	5	∧
\neg v6	∨ v7	weight	5	∧
\neg v4	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
\neg v8	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...				

Example

Queries = {v6}, formula =

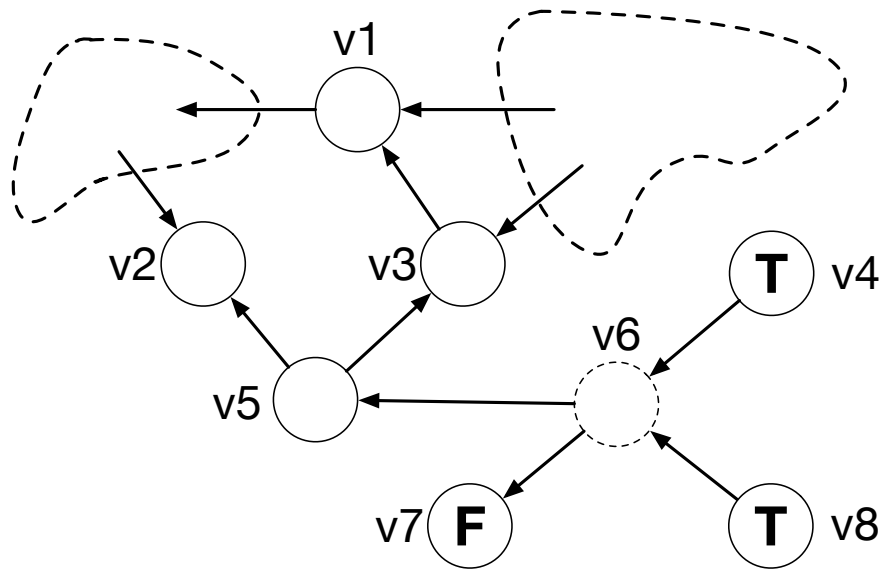
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v8		weight	100	∧
¬ v7		weight	100	∧
¬ v3	∨ v1	weight	5	∧
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¬ v5	∨ v3	weight	5	∧
¬ v6	∨ v5	weight	5	∧
¬ v6	∨ v7	weight	5	∧
¬ v4	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
¬ v8	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...				

Example

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v4			weight	100	∧
v8			weight	100	∧
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\neg v3	∨	v1	weight	5	∧
\neg v5	∨	v2	weight	5	∧
\neg v5	∨	v3	weight	5	∧
\neg v6	∨	v5	weight	5	∧
\neg v6	∨	v7	weight	5	∧
\neg v4	∨	v6	weight	5	∧
\neg v8	∨	v6	weight	5	∧
...					

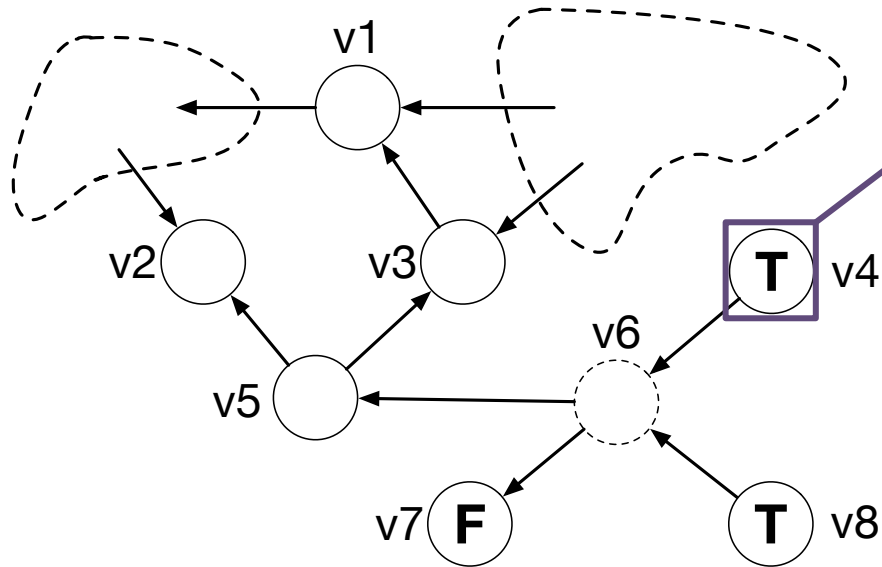
Example



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v4		weight	100	∧
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\neg v4	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
\neg v8	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...				

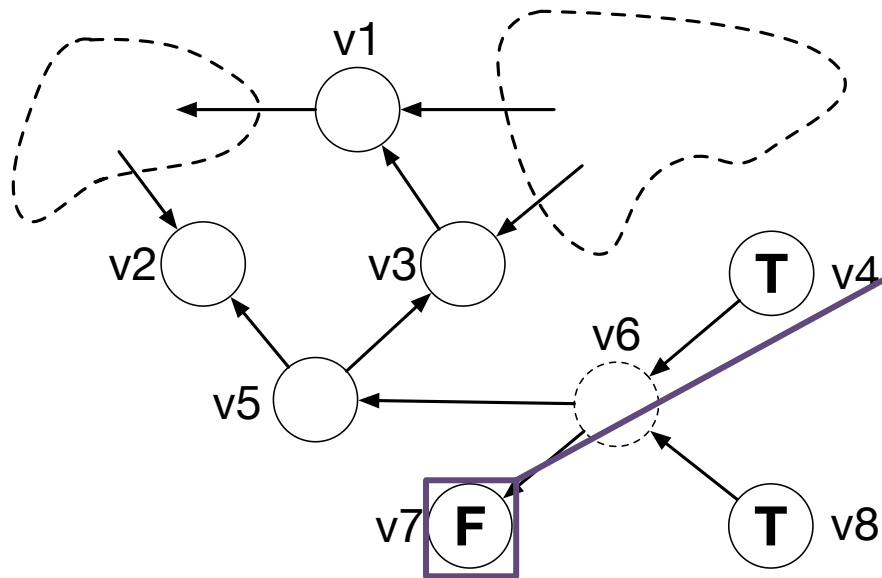
Example



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight 100	∧
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\neg v5	\vee v2	weight 5	∧
\neg v5	\vee v3	weight 5	∧
\neg v6	\vee v5	weight 5	∧
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\neg v4	\vee v6	weight 5	∧
\neg v8	\vee v6	weight 5	∧
...			

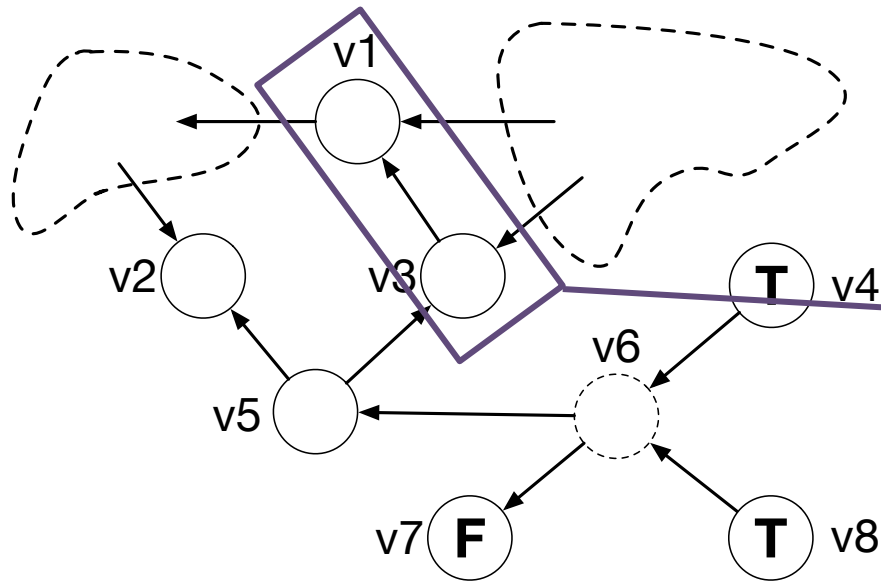
Example



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight	100	∧
v8		weight	100	∧
¬ v7		weight	100	∧
¬ v3	∨ v1	weight	5	∧
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¬ v6	∨ v5	weight	5	∧
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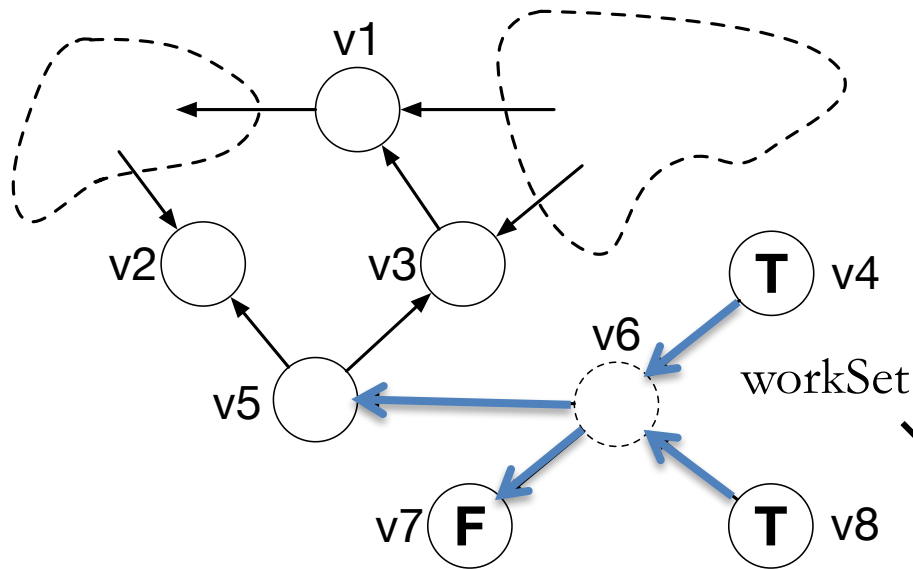
Example



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v4		weight	100	∧
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\neg v5	∨ v3	weight	5	∧
\neg v6	∨ v5	weight	5	∧
\neg v6	∨ v7	weight	5	∧
\neg v4	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
\neg v8	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...				

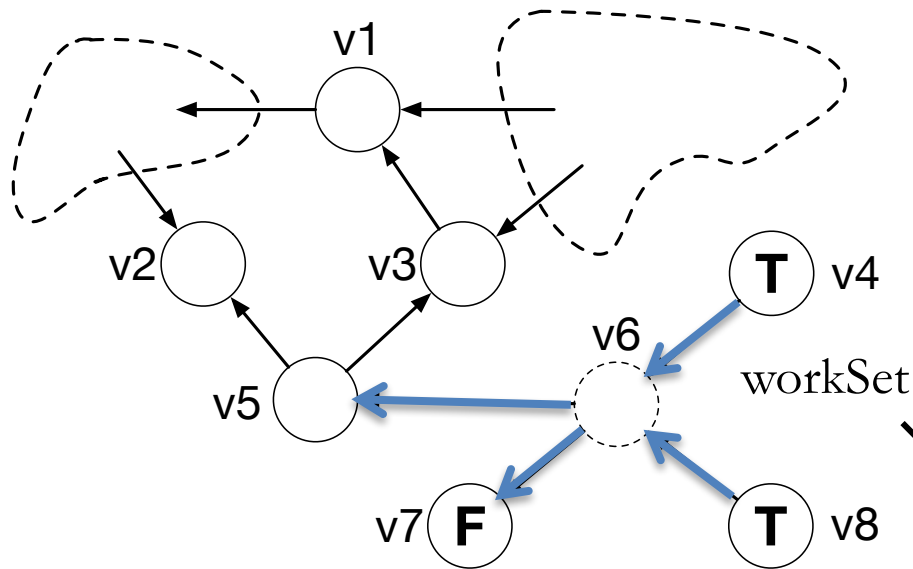
Example: Iteration 1



Queries = $\{v6\}$, formula =

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$\neg v5$	$\vee v2$	weight	5	\wedge
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$\neg v6$	$\vee v5$	weight	5	\wedge
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...				

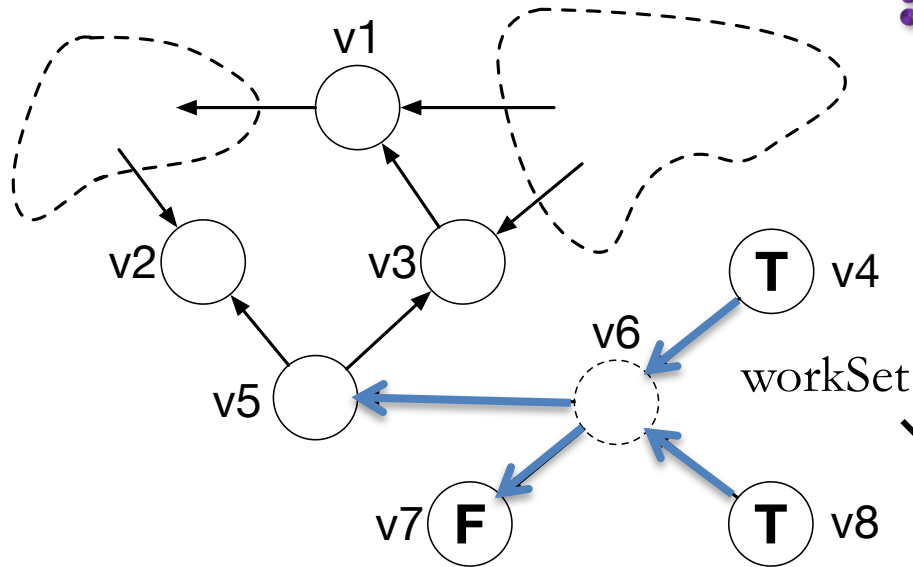
Example: Iteration 1 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight	100	\wedge
v8		weight	100	\wedge
\neg v7		weight	100	\wedge
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\neg v5	\vee v3	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v6	\vee v5	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v6	\vee v7	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v4	\vee v6	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v8	\vee v6	weight	5	\wedge
...				

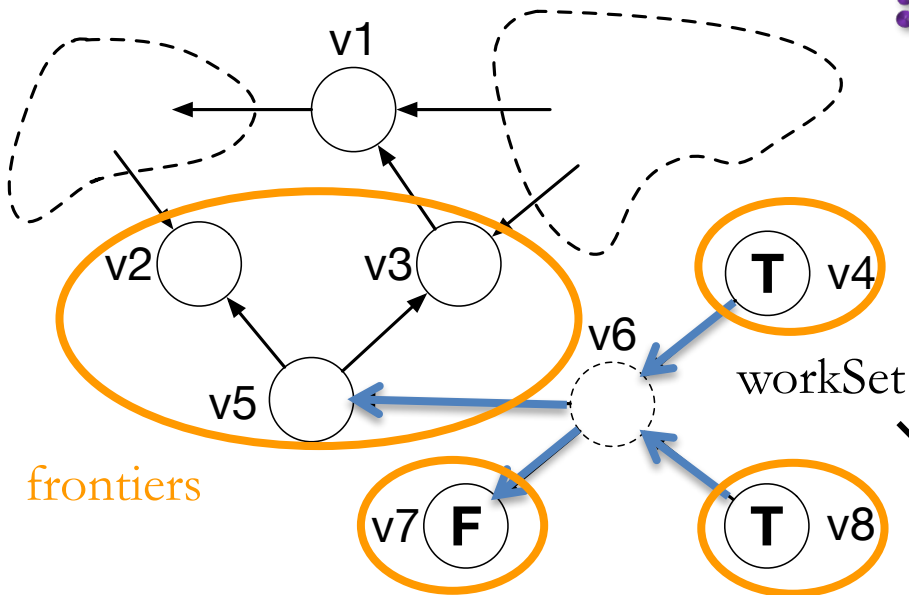
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? Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight	100	∧
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¬ v6	∨ v5	weight	5	∧
¬ v6	∨ v7	weight	5	∧
¬ v4	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
¬ v8	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...				

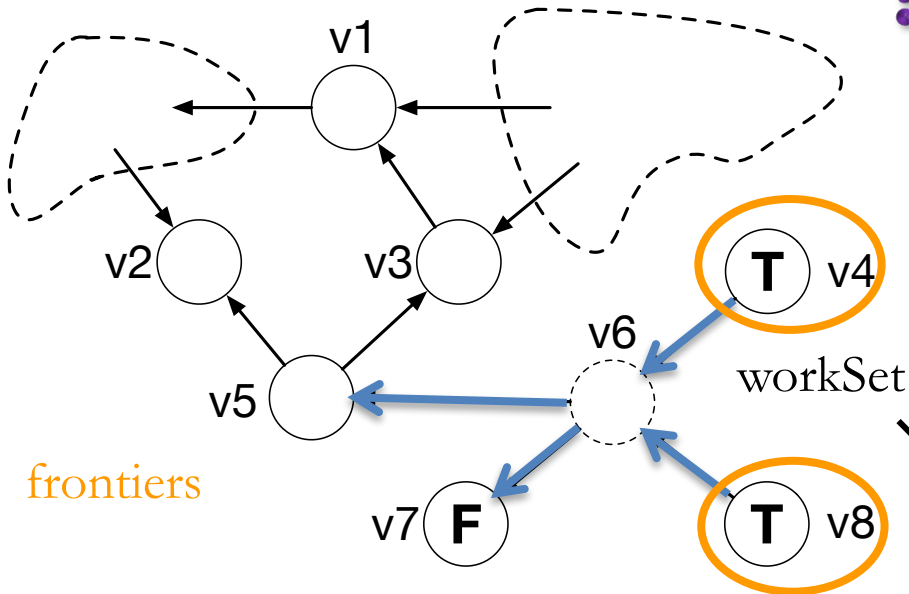
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\neg v5	\vee v2	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v5	\vee v3	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v6	\vee v5	weight 5	\wedge
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\neg v4	\vee v6	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v8	\vee v6	weight 5	\wedge
...			

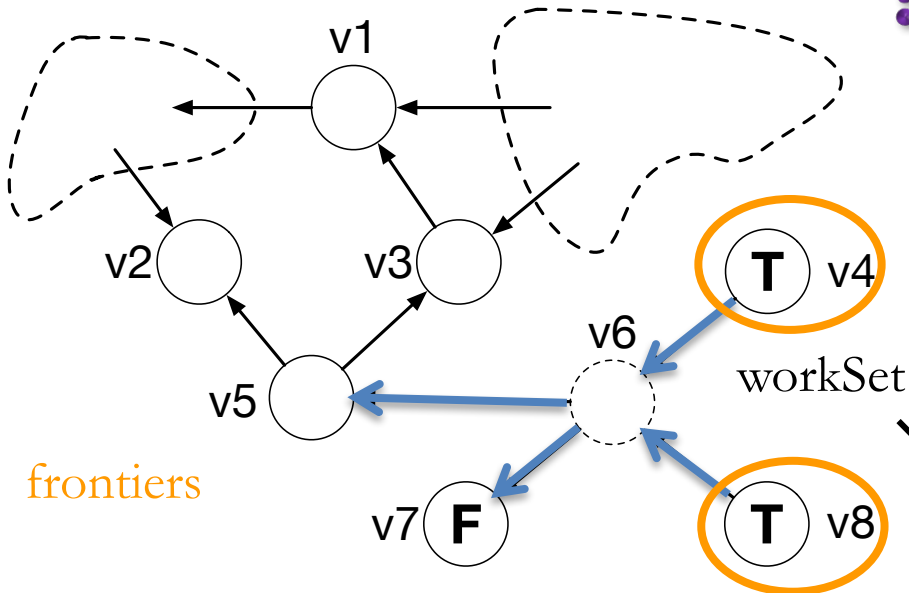
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v4		weight	100	∧
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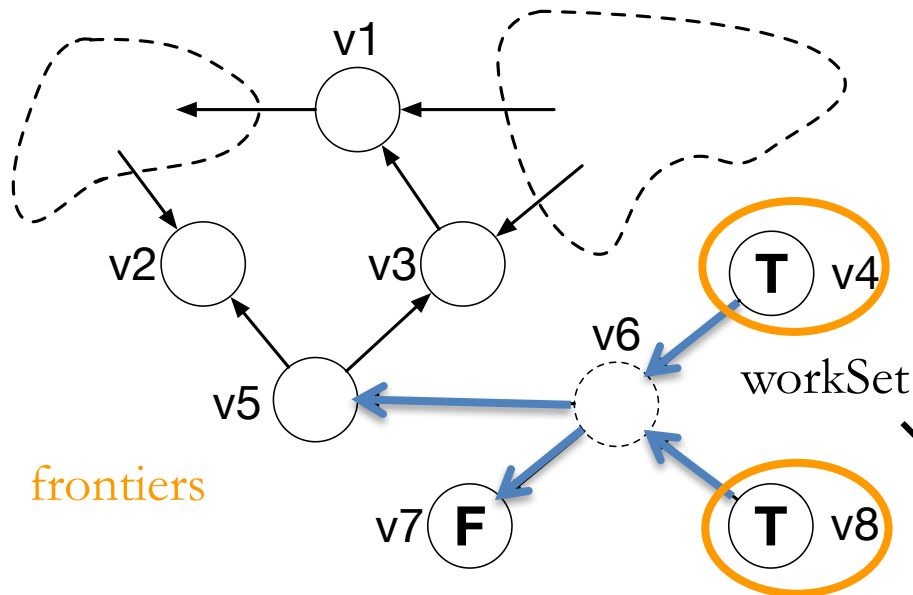


? Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight 100	∧
v8		weight 100	∧
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¬ v3	∨ v1	weight 5	∧
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¬ v5	∨ v3	weight 5	∧
¬ v6	∨ v5	weight 5	∧
¬ v6	∨ v7	weight 5	∧
¬ v4	∨ v6	weight 5	∧
¬ v8	∨ v6	weight 5	∧
...			

summarySet =
 {(100, v4), (100, v8)}

Example: Iteration 1 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight 100	\wedge
v8		weight 100	\wedge
\neg v7		weight 100	\wedge
\neg v3	\vee v1	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v5	\vee v2	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v5	\vee v3	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v6	\vee v5	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v6	\vee v7	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v4	\vee v6	weight 5	\wedge
\neg v8	\vee v6	weight 5	\wedge
...			

summarySet =
 $\{(100, v4), (100, v8)\}$

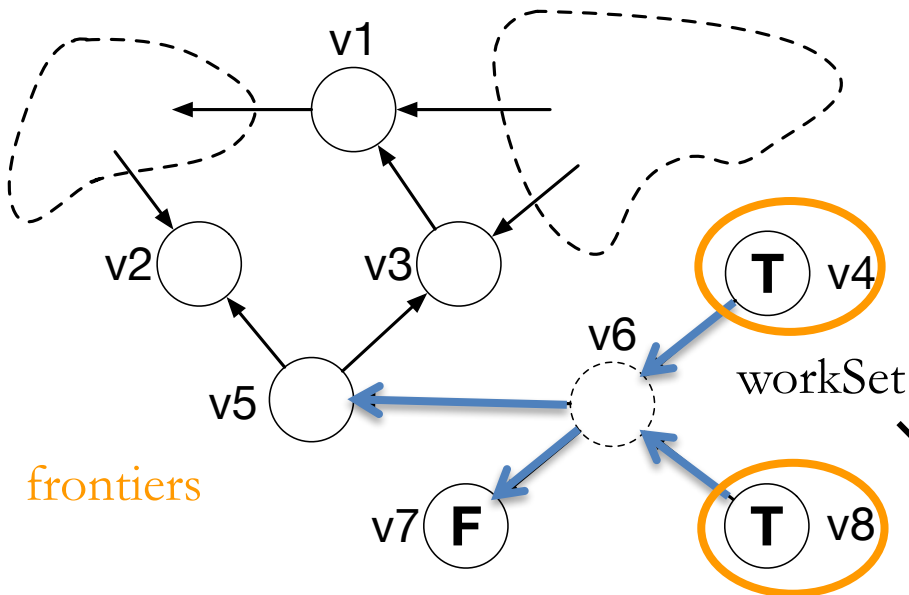
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$$\max(\text{workSet} \cup \text{summarySet}) - \max(\text{workSet}) = 0$$



Example: Iteration 1 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight	100	\wedge
v8		weight	100	\wedge
\neg v7		weight	100	\wedge
\neg v3	\vee v1	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v5	\vee v2	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v5	\vee v3	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v6	\vee v5	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v6	\vee v7	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v4	\vee v6	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v8	\vee v6	weight	5	\wedge
...				

summarySet =
 $\{(100, v4), (100, v8)\}$

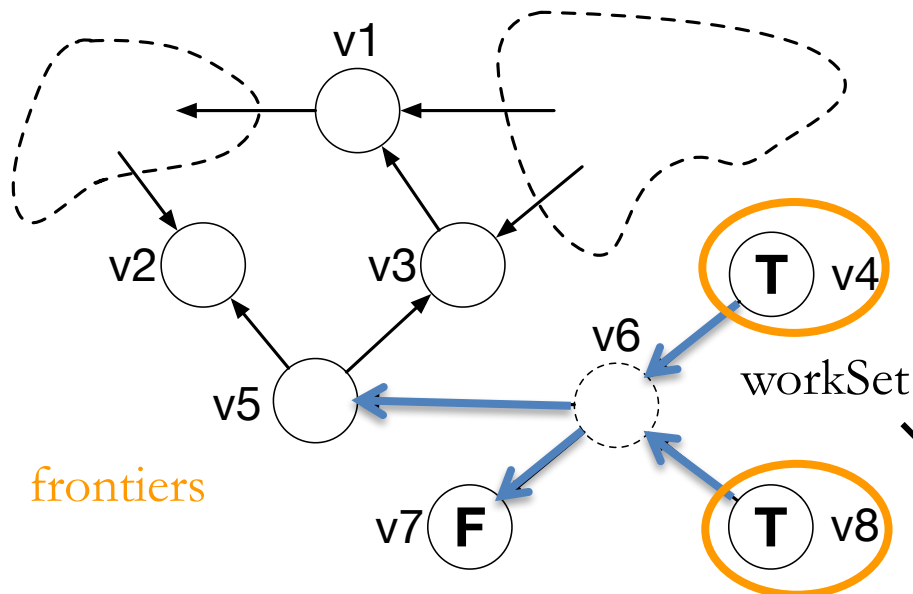
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Example: Iteration 1 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4	weight	100	\wedge
v8	weight	100	\wedge
\neg v7	weight	100	\wedge
\neg v3 \vee v1	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v5 \vee v2	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v5 \vee v3	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v6 \vee v5	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v6 \vee v7	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v4 \vee v6	weight	5	\wedge
\neg v8 \vee v6	weight	5	\wedge

summarySet =
 $\{(100, v4), (100, v8)\}$

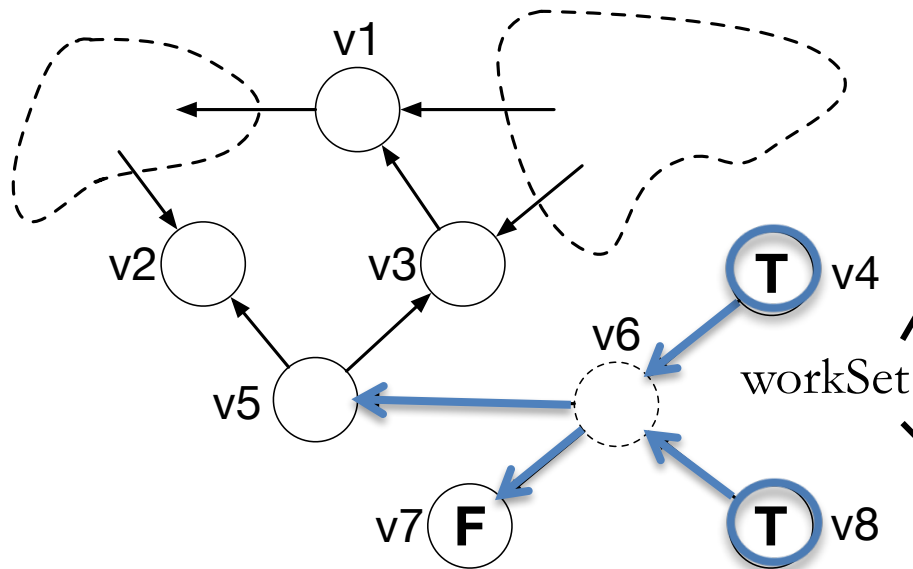
v4 = true, v5 = true, v6 = true,
 v7 = true, v8 = true

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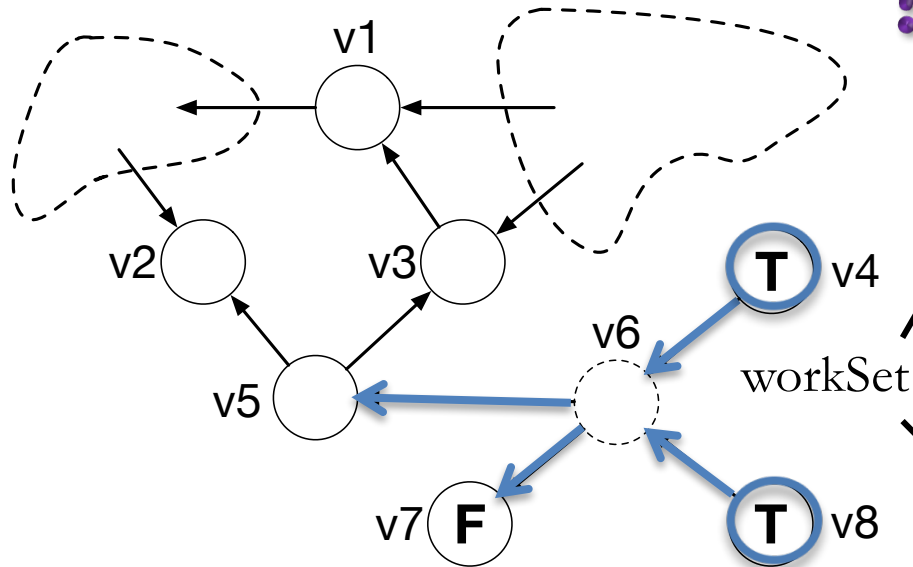
Example: Iteration 2 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight	100	∧
v8		weight	100	∧
¬ v7		weight	100	∧
¬ v3	∨ v1	weight	5	∧
¬ v5	∨ v2	weight	5	∧
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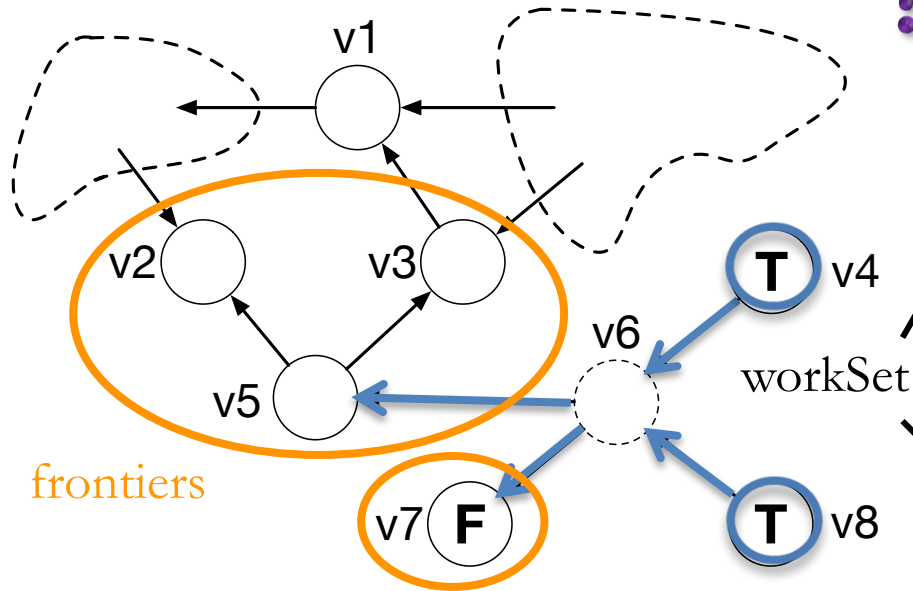
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? Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight	100	∧
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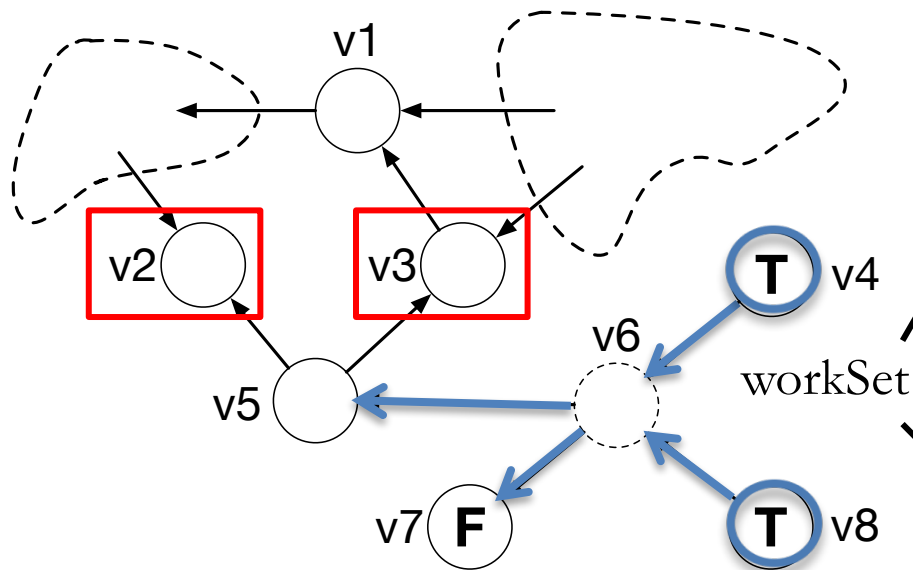


? Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4	weight 100	∧
v8	weight 100	∧
¬ v7	weight 100	∧
¬ v3 ∨ v1	weight 5	∧
¬ v5 ∨ v2	weight 5	∧
¬ v5 ∨ v3	weight 5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v5	weight 5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v7	weight 5	∧
¬ v4 ∨ v6	weight 5	∧
¬ v8 ∨ v6	weight 5	∧
...		

summarySet = {(100, ¬v7),
(5, ¬v5 ∨ v2), (5, ¬v5 ∨ v3)}

Example: Iteration 2 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

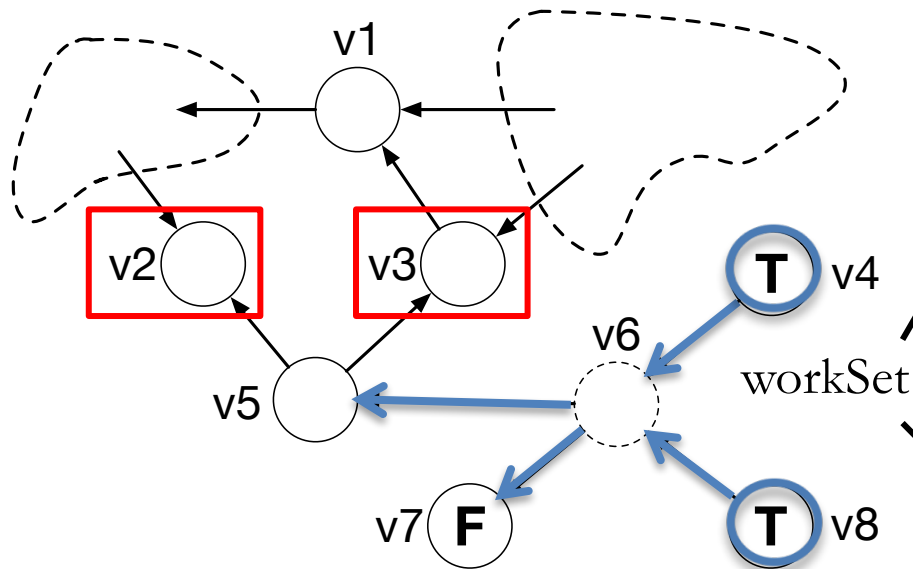
v4	weight	100	∧
v8	weight	100	∧
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¬ v5 ∨ v3	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v5	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v7	weight	5	∧
¬ v4 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
¬ v8 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...			

summarySet = {(100, ¬v7),
(5, ¬v5 ∨ v2), (5, ¬v5 ∨ v3)}

$$\max(\text{workSet} \cup \text{summarySet}) - \max(\text{workSet}) = 0$$



Example: Iteration 2 (blue = true, red = false)



summarySet = $\{(100, \neg v7), (5, \neg v5), (5, \neg v5)\}$

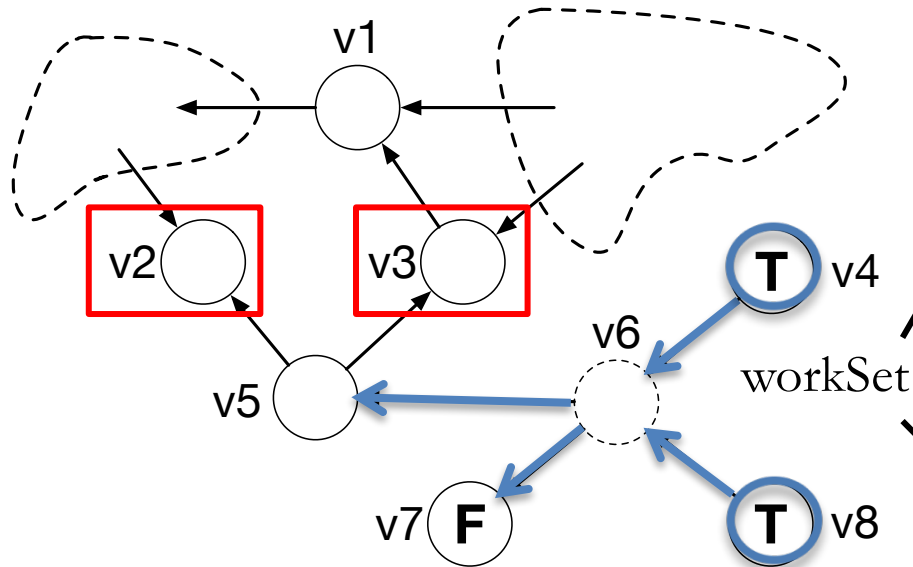
Queries = $\{v6\}$, formula =

$v4$	weight	100	\wedge
$v8$	weight	100	\wedge
$\neg v7$	weight	100	\wedge
$\neg v3 \vee v1$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v5 \vee v2$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v5 \vee v3$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v6 \vee v5$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v6 \vee v7$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v4 \vee v6$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v8 \vee v6$	weight	5	\wedge
...			

$$\max(\text{workSet} \cup \text{summarySet}) - \max(\text{workSet}) = 0$$



Example: Iteration 2 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4	weight	100	∧
v8	weight	100	∧
¬ v7	weight	100	∧
¬ v3 ∨ v1	weight	5	∧
¬ v5 ∨ v2	weight	5	∧
¬ v5 ∨ v3	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v5	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v7	weight	5	∧
¬ v4 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
¬ v8 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...			

summarySet = {(100, ¬v7),
(5, ¬v5), (5, ¬v5)}

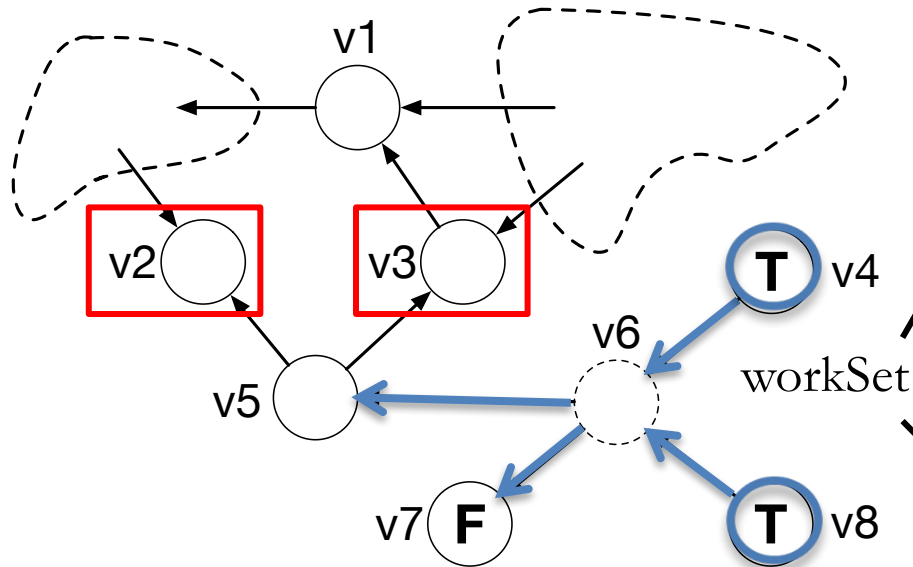
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$$\max(\text{workSet} \cup \text{summarySet}) - \max(\text{workSet}) = 0$$



Example: Iteration 2 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

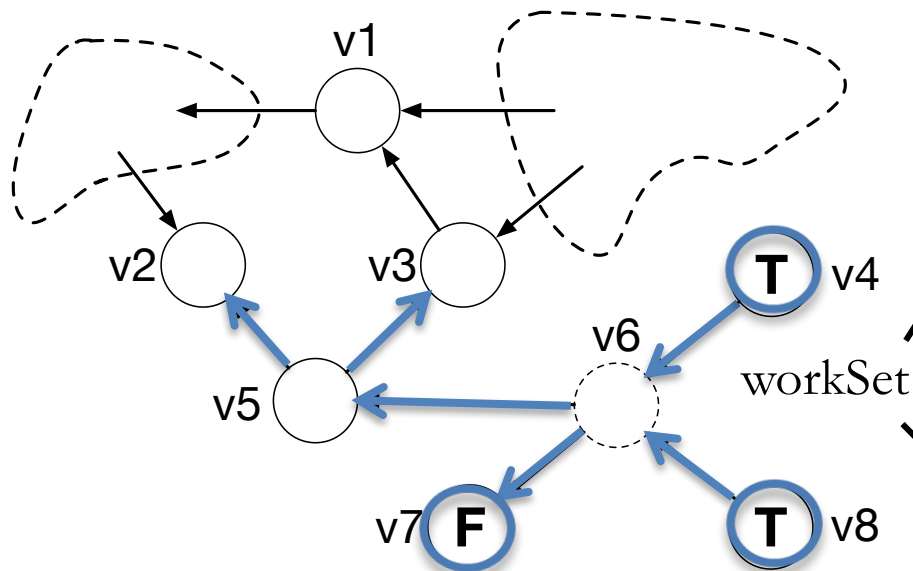
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v8	weight	100	∧
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¬ v3 ∨ v1	weight	5	∧
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¬ v5 ∨ v3	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v5	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v7	weight	5	∧
¬ v4 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
¬ v8 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...			

summarySet = {(100, ¬v7),
(5, ¬v5), (5, ¬v5)}

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max(workSet ∪ summarySet) = {v4 = true, v5 = false, v6 = true, v7 = true, v8 = true}

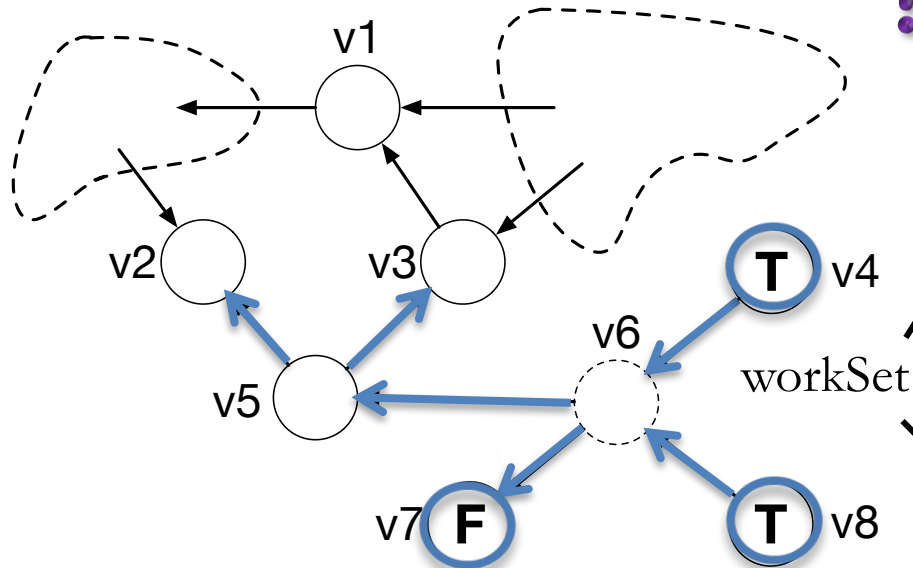
Example: Iteration 3 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = $\{v6\}$, formula =

$v4$	weight	100	\wedge
$v8$	weight	100	\wedge
$\neg v7$	weight	100	\wedge
$\neg v3 \vee v1$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v5 \vee v2$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v5 \vee v3$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v6 \vee v5$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v6 \vee v7$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v4 \vee v6$	weight	5	\wedge
$\neg v8 \vee v6$	weight	5	\wedge
...			

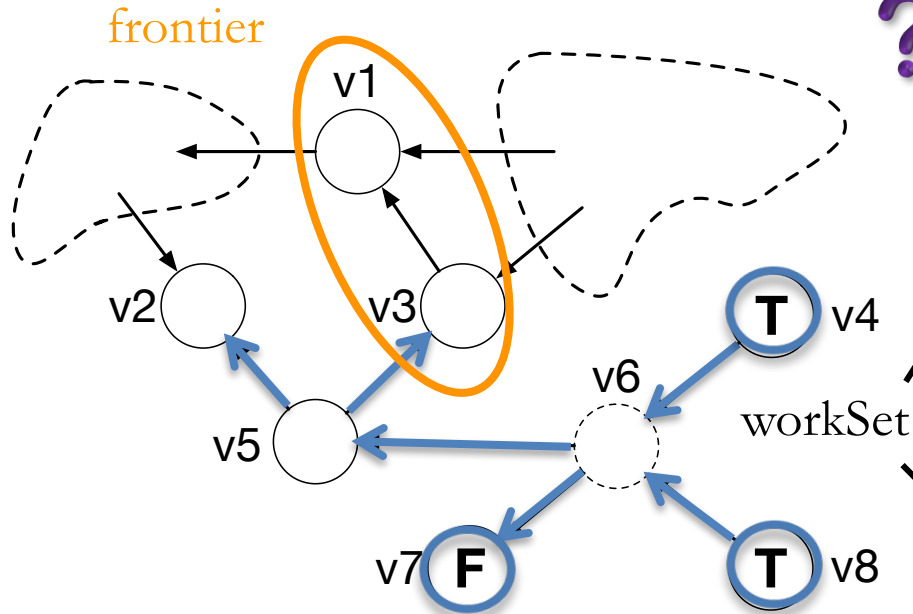
Example: Iteration 3 (blue = true, red = false)



? Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4	weight	100	∧
v8	weight	100	∧
¬ v7	weight	100	∧
¬ v3 ∨ v1	weight	5	∧
¬ v5 ∨ v2	weight	5	∧
¬ v5 ∨ v3	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v5	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v7	weight	5	∧
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¬ v8 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...			

Example: Iteration 3 (blue = true, red = false)

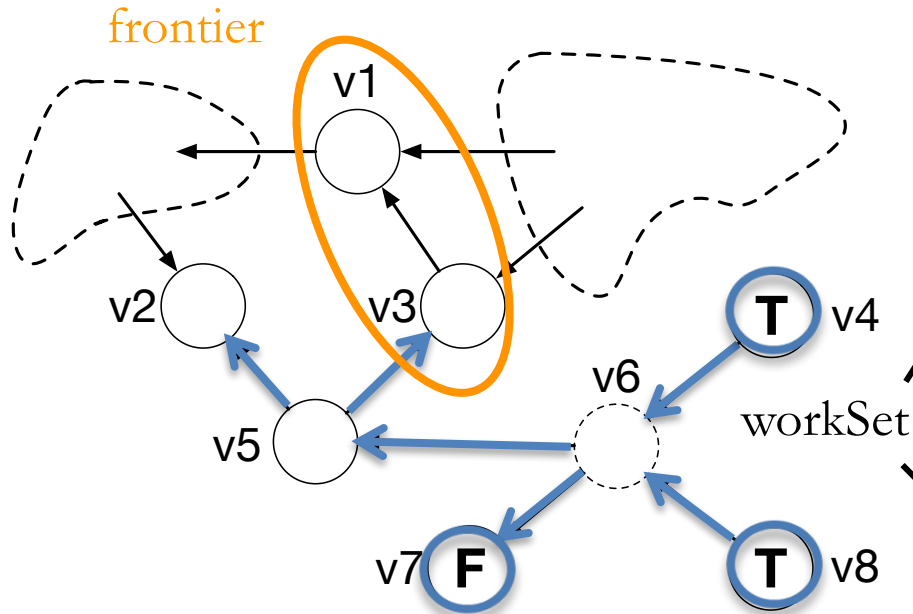


? Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4	weight	100	∧
v8	weight	100	∧
¬ v7	weight	100	∧
¬ v3 ∨ v1	weight	5	∧
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¬ v5 ∨ v3	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v5	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v7	weight	5	∧
¬ v4 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
¬ v8 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...			

summarySet = {(5, ¬v3 ∨ v1)}

Example: Iteration 3 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4	weight	100	∧
v8	weight	100	∧
¬ v7	weight	100	∧
¬ v3 ∨ v1	weight	5	∧
¬ v5 ∨ v2	weight	5	∧
¬ v5 ∨ v3	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v5	weight	5	∧
¬ v6 ∨ v7	weight	5	∧
¬ v4 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
¬ v8 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...			

summarySet = {(5, ¬v3 ∨ v1)}

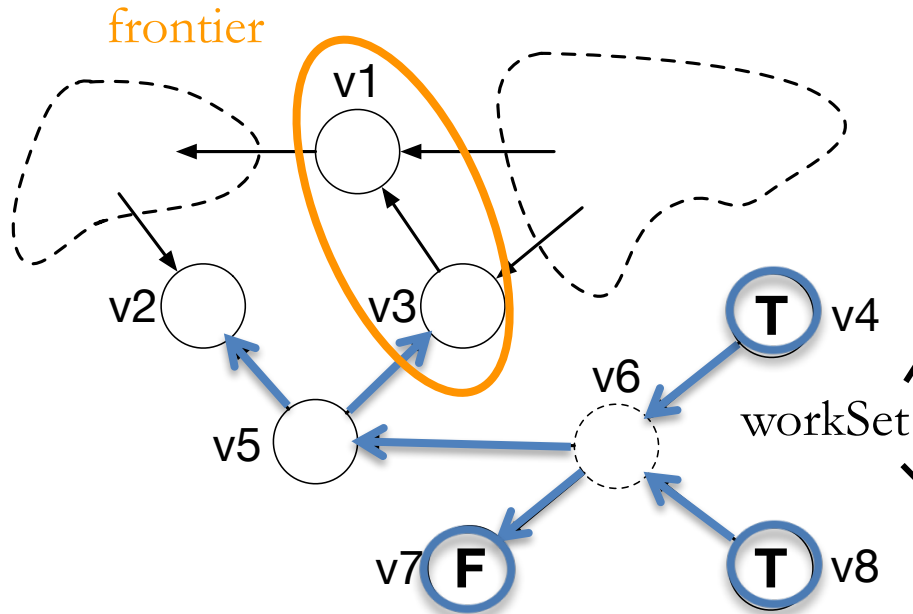
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$\max(\text{workSet} \cup \text{summarySet}) - \max(\text{workSet}) = 0$



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Example: Iteration 3 (blue = true, red = false)



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4	weight	100	∧
v8	weight	100	∧
\neg v7	weight	100	∧
\neg v3 ∨ v1	weight	5	∧
\neg v5 ∨ v2	weight	5	∧
\neg v5 ∨ v3	weight	5	∧
\neg v6 ∨ v5	weight	5	∧
\neg v6 ∨ v7	weight	5	∧
\neg v4 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
\neg v8 ∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...			

summarySet = $\{(5, \neg v3 \vee v1)\}$

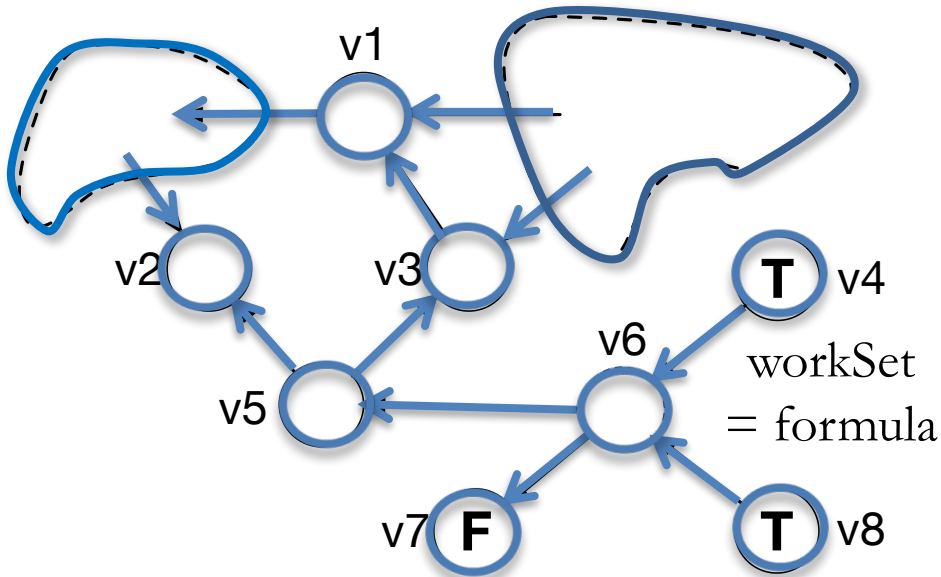
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$\max(\text{workSet} \cup \text{summarySet}) - \max(\text{workSet}) = 0$

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Example



Queries = {v6}, formula =

v4		weight	100	∧
v8		weight	100	∧
\neg v7		weight	100	∧
\neg v3	∨ v1	weight	5	∧
\neg v5	∨ v2	weight	5	∧
\neg v5	∨ v3	weight	5	∧
\neg v6	∨ v5	weight	5	∧
\neg v6	∨ v7	weight	5	∧
\neg v4	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
\neg v8	∨ v6	weight	5	∧
...				

Benchmark Characteristics

	# queries	# variables	# clauses
ftp	55	2.3M	3M
hedc	36	3.8M	4.8M
weblech	25	5.8M	8.4M
lusearch	248	7.8M	10.9M
luindex	109	8.5M	11.9M
avroara	151	11.7M	16.3M
IE	6	47K	0.9M
ER	25	3K	4.8M
AR	10	0.3M	7.9M

K = thousands, M = millions

Performance Results

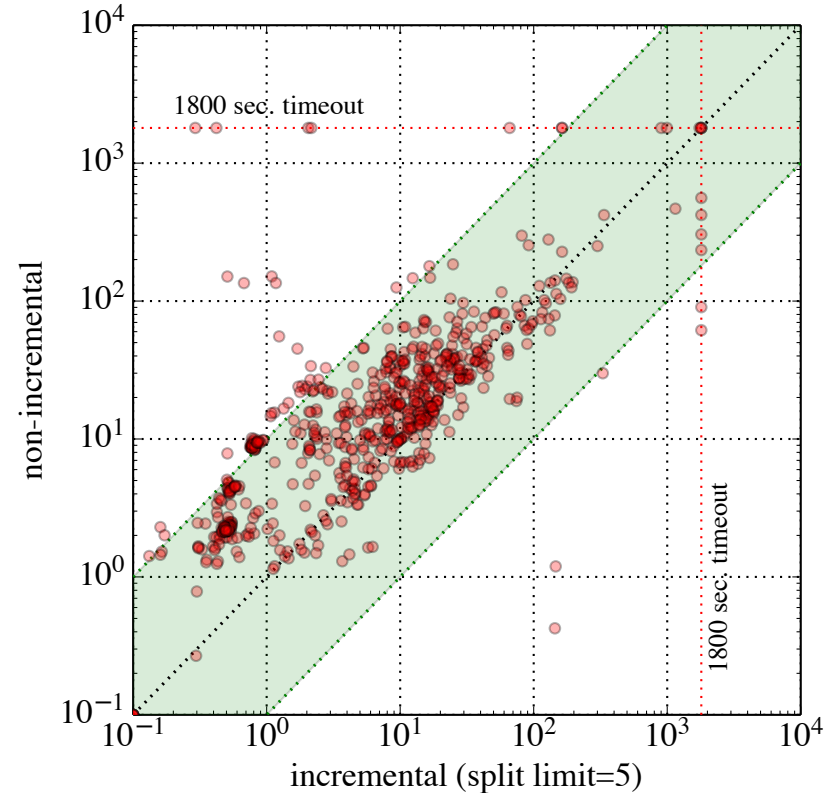
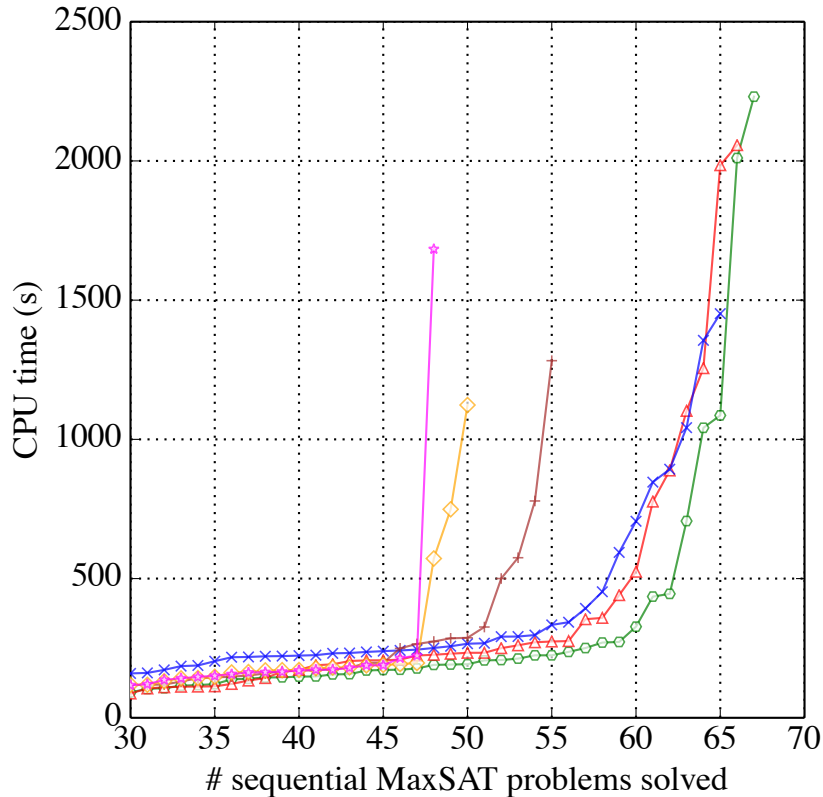
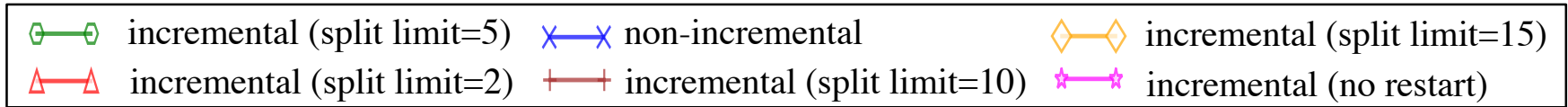
	running time (seconds)		peak memory (MB)		# clauses (M=million)	
	current	baseline	current	baseline	current	baseline
ftp	16	11	16	1,262	0.03M	3.0M
hedc	23	21	181	1,918	0.4M	4.8M
weblech	4	timeout	363	timeout	0.9M	8.4M
lusearch	115	timeout	659	timeout	1.5M	10.9M
luindex	169	timeout	944	timeout	2.2M	11.9M
avroa	178	timeout	1,095	timeout	2.6M	16.3M
IE	2	2,760	13	335	27K	0.9M
ER	13	2	6	44	9K	4.8M
AE	4	timeout	4	timeout	2K	7.9M

Incremental Solving [CP 2016]

$$\varphi_1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \varphi_2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \varphi_3 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \dots$$
$$= \varphi_1 \cup \Delta_1 \quad = \varphi_2 \cup \Delta_2$$

- ▶ Two levels of incrementality
 - ▶ **MaxSAT level**
 - ▶ Application solves a sequence of MaxSAT instances
 - ▶ Re-use unsat cores (for core-guided solver)
 - ▶ **SAT level**
 - ▶ Each MaxSAT solves a sequence of SAT instances
 - ▶ Leverage standard incremental SAT solving
- ▶ Key insight: sporadic restarts
 - ▶ Heuristically detect and avoid reusing bad unsat cores based on split-limit (max. # times a soft clause is split)

Performance Results



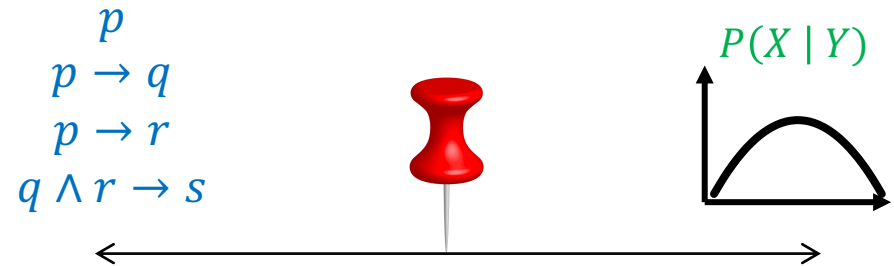
74 sequential MaxSAT problems (669 individual MaxSAT instances)

Future Directions

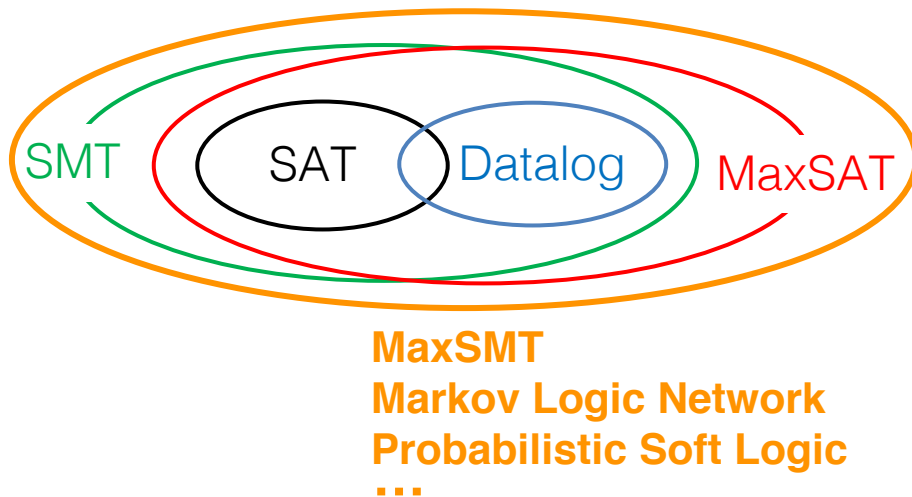
Humans In the Loop



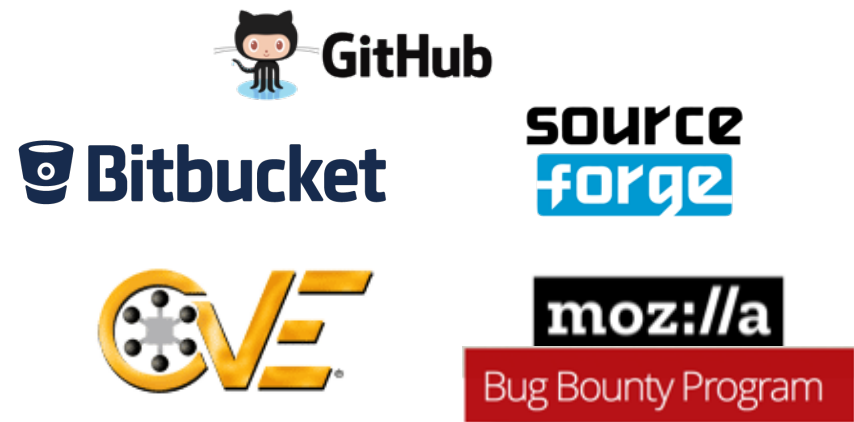
Combining Logic With Probability



Optimization Solvers

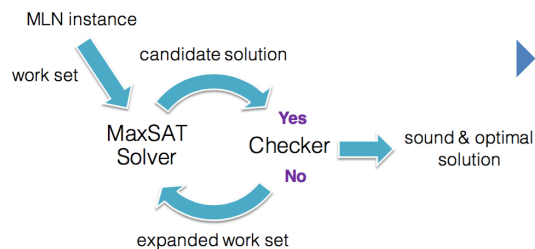
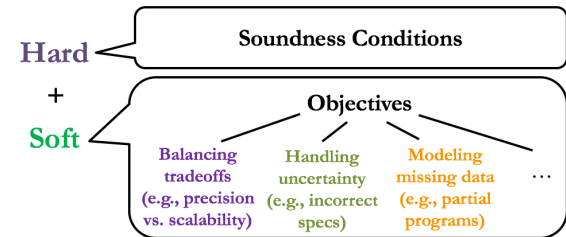


Data-Driven



Conclusions

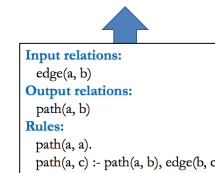
- ▶ New methodology to incorporate **objectives** into **constraint-based** software analyses



- ▶ General framework to solve weighted constraints that is **sound**, **optimal** and **scalable**

- ▶ Showed practical effectiveness for **three dominant applications** of software analyses

Abstraction Selection in Automated Verification
[PLDI 2014, POPL 2016]



Alarm Classification in Static Bug Detection [FSE 2015]

Alarm Resolution in Interactive Verification
[OOPSLA 2017]