

- Lecture 9

- LRA / LIA

- Difference logic

- Difference

- DPLL(T)

- Bit vectors, strings

- Theories for E/EUF.

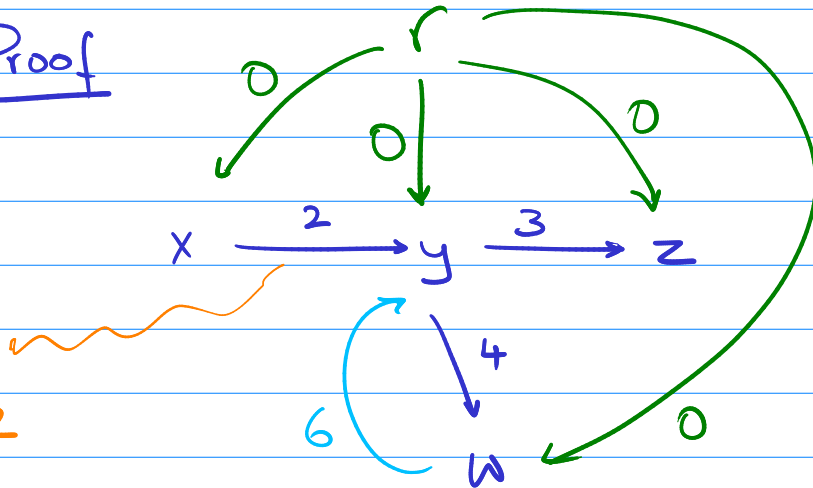
Claim: A set of difference logic constraints φ is satisfiable iff

G_φ does not contain a negative weight cycle.

Part 1: If negative weight cycle exists, then a satisfying assignment cannot exist.

Part 2: If a negative weight cycle does not exist, then a satisfying assignment exists.

Proof



$$y - x \leq 2$$

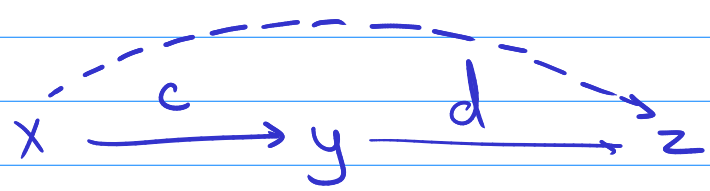
$$\begin{aligned} w - y &\leq 4 \\ y - w &\leq 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$-6 \leq w - y$$

$$-6 \leq w - y \leq 4$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} x - r \leq 0 & x \leq r \\ y - r \leq 0 & y \leq r \\ z - r \leq 0 & z \leq r \\ w - r \leq 0 & w \leq r \end{array}$$

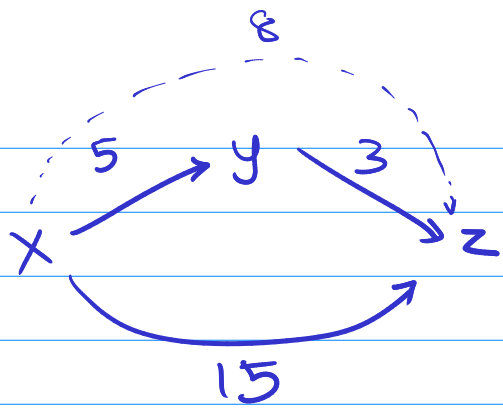
Why is introducing the root node r such a great idea? Because every node now has a shortest path (from r)



$$(y - x \leq c) \quad (z - y \leq d)$$

$$z - x \leq c + d$$

Adding constraints corresponds to walking through the graph.

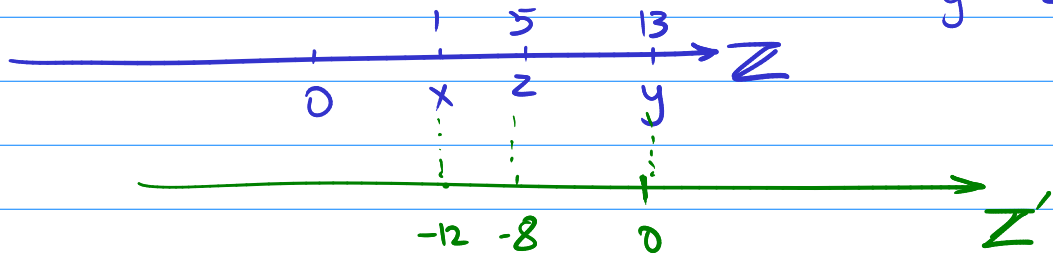


Shortest paths are the ultimate constraints that we should worry about.

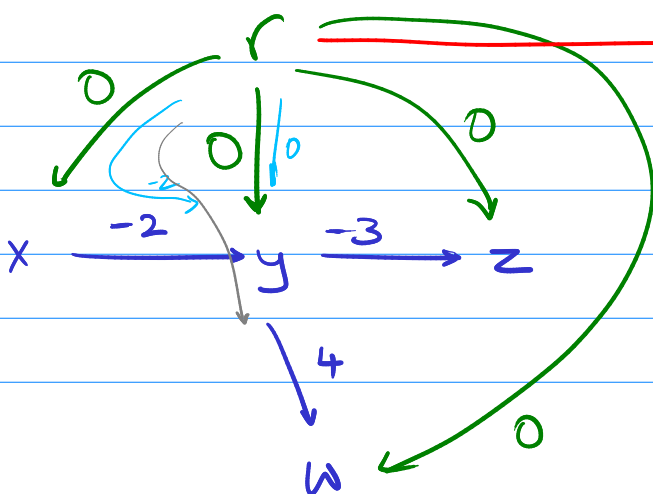
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y - x \leq 5 \\ z - y \leq 3 \end{array} \right\} z - x \leq 8$$

$$z - x \leq 15$$

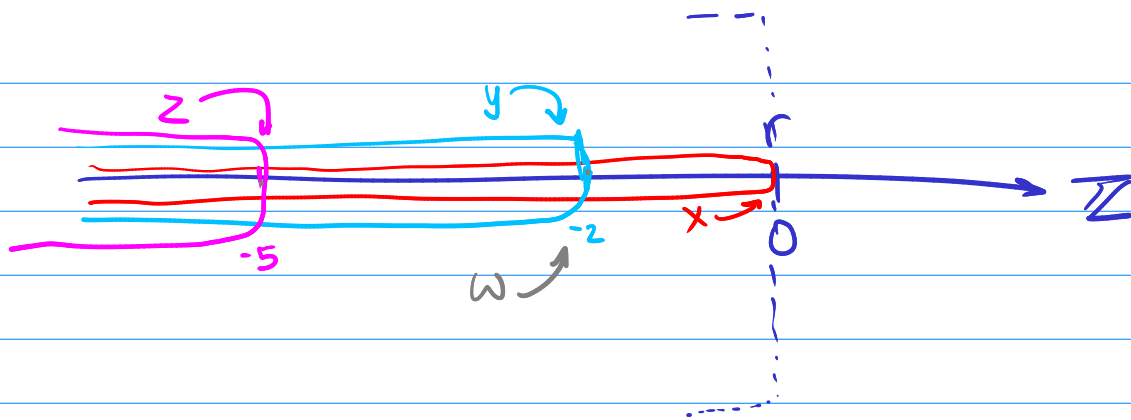
$$\begin{array}{l} z - x \leq \text{---} \\ y - x \leq \text{---} \\ y - z \leq \text{---} \end{array}$$



Physically offsetting the number line preserves satisfying assignments.



Insight: Why not let this 0 be the origin of the number line?



x, y, z, w : all of them confined to live left of r .

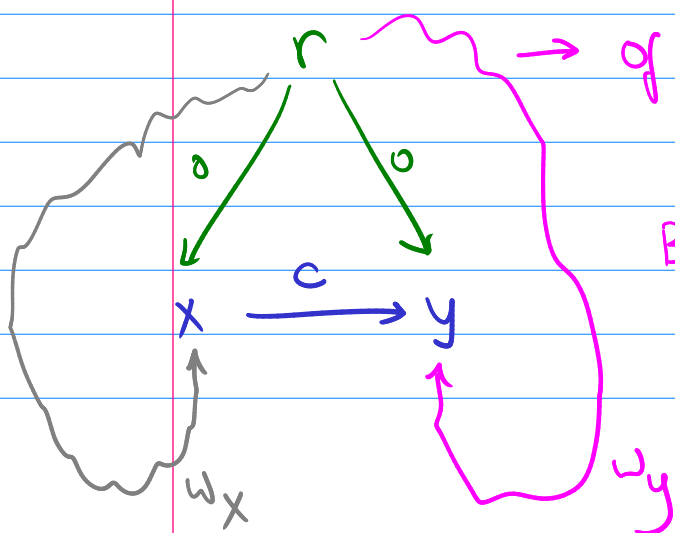
Idea. Let the variables live as much to the right as they possibly can.

$$\{x \mapsto 0, y \mapsto -2, z \mapsto -5, w \mapsto -2\}$$

Claim: This object is a satisfying assignment.

Proof: Assume not.

Say some constraint $y - x \leq c$ is violated



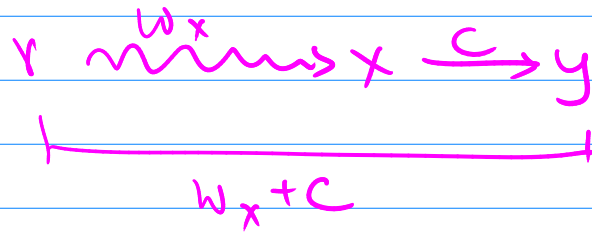
of all paths, this path has the shortest weight.

By assumption, $w_y - w_x \neq c$

$$w_y \neq w_x + c$$

$$w_y > w_x + c$$

i.e. the weight of the shortest path could not have been w_y .



is a shorter path

Contradiction!

DPLL(T)

- Theory solvers only solve a conjunction of literals

$$\underbrace{y - x \leq 3}_a \quad \text{and} \quad \underbrace{z - y \leq 4}_b \quad \text{and} \dots$$

- SAT solvers can handle complex combinatorial reasoning

$$a \wedge (b \vee c) \wedge (\overline{b \wedge c})$$

- Can we build a constraint solver where the propositions "mean something" in an underlying theory?
 \uparrow
interpreted

- DPLL(T^s) Assumes that all propositions mean something in the same theory.

- $(x - y \leq 2) \text{ or } (y - z \leq 3 \text{ and } x - z \leq 4)$
Single theory

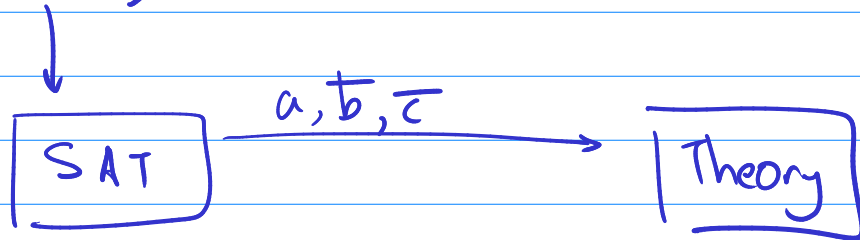
- $\underbrace{n \geq 4}_{\uparrow \text{ Theory of LIA}} \text{ or } \underbrace{(w = \text{"abc"} \cdot w' \text{ and } n = |w'|)}_{\downarrow \text{ Theory of strings}}$

Multiple theories / Theory combination

Nelson Oppen Procedure
(SMT)

$$\underbrace{(x-y \leq 2)}_a \text{ or } \underbrace{(y-z \leq 3 \text{ and } x-z \leq 4)}_c$$

$$a \vee (b \wedge c)$$



$$y-z \neq 3$$

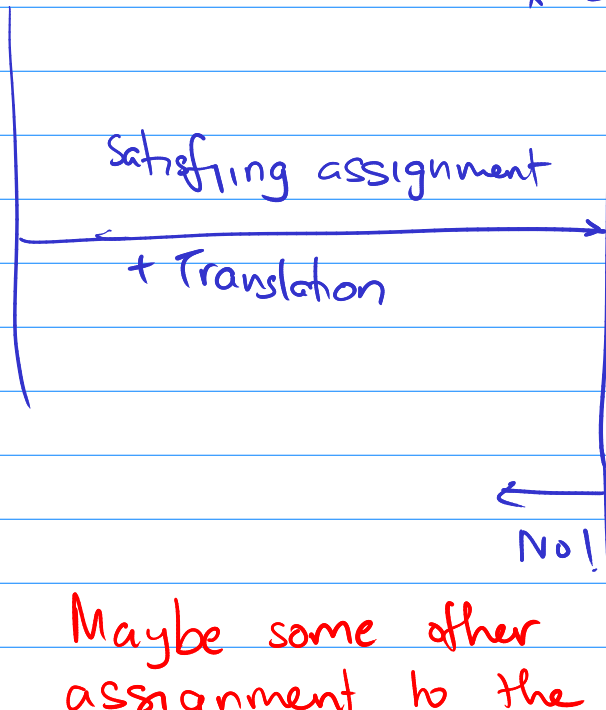
$$y-z > 3$$

$$y-z > 4$$

$$x-y \leq 2$$

$$y-z \geq 4$$

$$x-z \geq 5$$



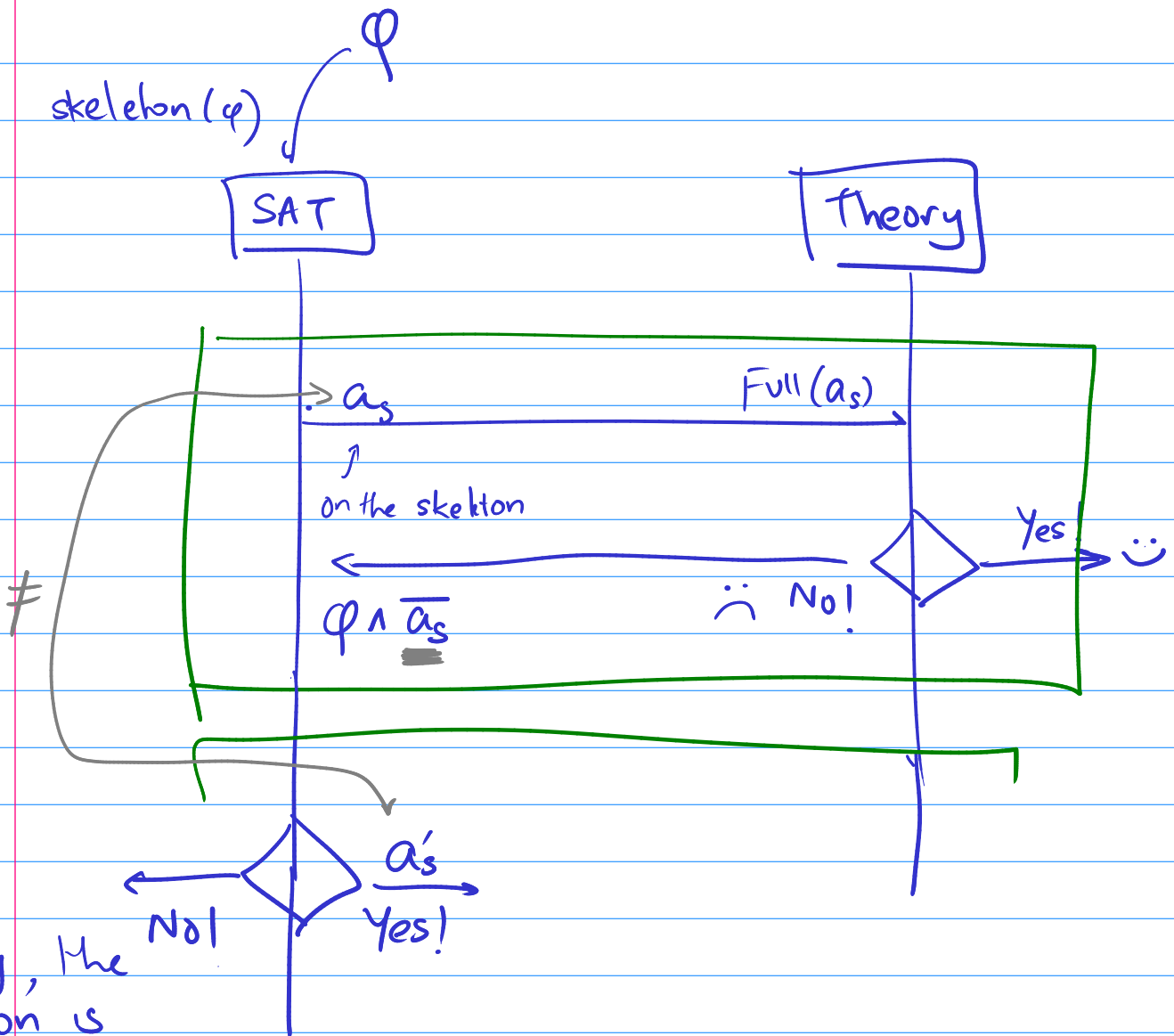
Yes!

Clearly sat overall.

Maybe some other assignment to the propositional skeleton works?

$$\bar{a} b c, \bar{a} b \bar{c},$$

$$a b c$$



Clearly, the situation is hopeless!

Overall UNSAT.

- Eventually, the SAT solver will run out of models.
- So the procedure is guaranteed to terminate

This procedure will eventually ^{say} do the right thing. ☹️

- How do we make this procedure fast?

Reason for previous procedure to be inefficient.

Too many models.

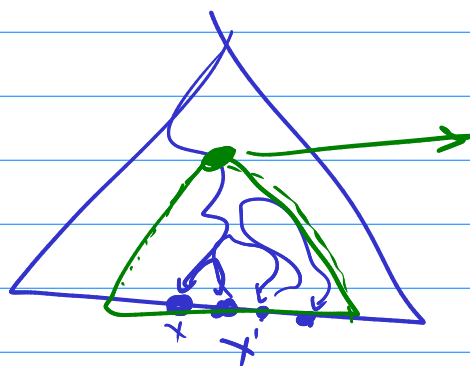
What can we do about it?

a - SAT solver which can return multiple models?

b - What if the SAT solver can do something more?

c - What if the theory solver could do something more?

Search space inside
SAT solver



Question: Why not
submit these
to theory solver?

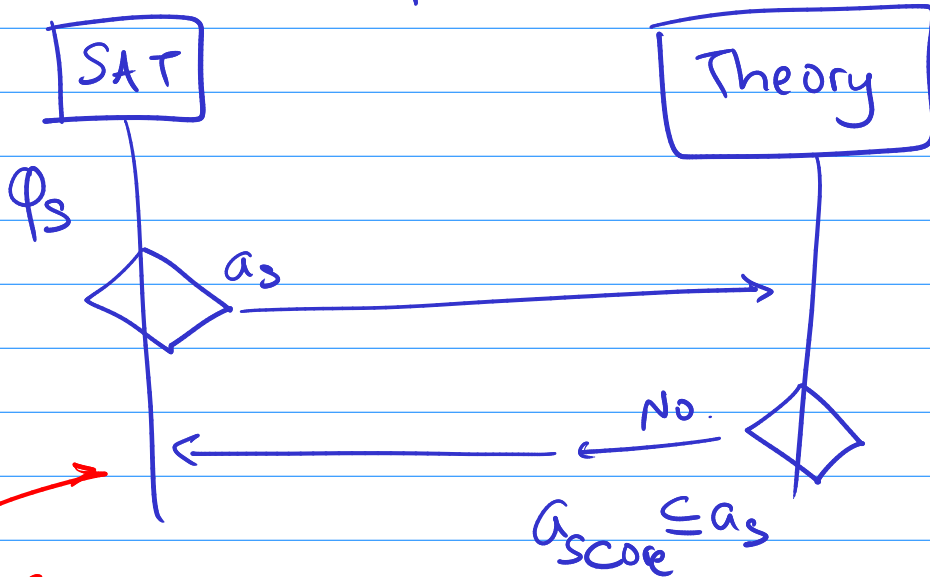
Sequence of queries
to theory solver

c. What more could the theory solver do?

It could provide unsat cores (minimal)

$(x - y \leq 3 \text{ and } x - y \geq 5)$ and $w - x \leq 3$
and $u - w \leq 5$)

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Instead of saying

$\varphi_s \wedge \overline{a_s}$

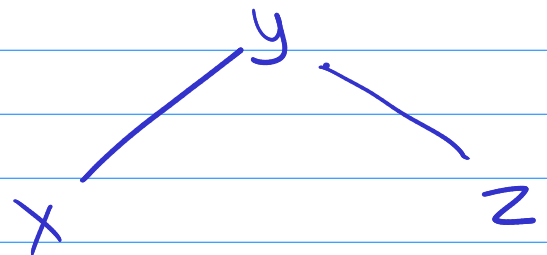
we can say $\varphi_s \wedge \overline{a_{score}}$

Theory of Equality

$$\exists x y z \in \mathbb{Z} . \quad \underbrace{x=y} \quad \underbrace{x \neq z} \quad \underbrace{y=z}$$

Transitivity is your friend. Disequality Constraint Equality Constraint

Step 1: From all equality constraints, construct undirected graph.



Step 2: For each disequality constraint

$$x \neq y$$

check if x & y are in the same SCC.

- If yes: formula is unsat

Step 3: Formula is sat.