Logic and Mechanized Reasoning

Satisfiability Modulo Theories

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Run SMT solver (QF_IDL)

$$t_{1,1} \mapsto 5, \quad t_{1,2} \mapsto 7, \quad t_{2,1} \mapsto 2, \quad t_{2,2} \mapsto 6, \quad t_{3,1} \mapsto 0, \quad t_{3,2} \mapsto 3$$

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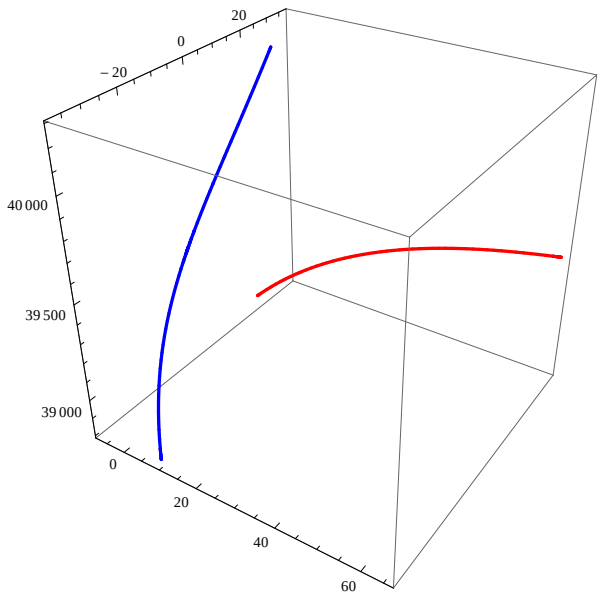

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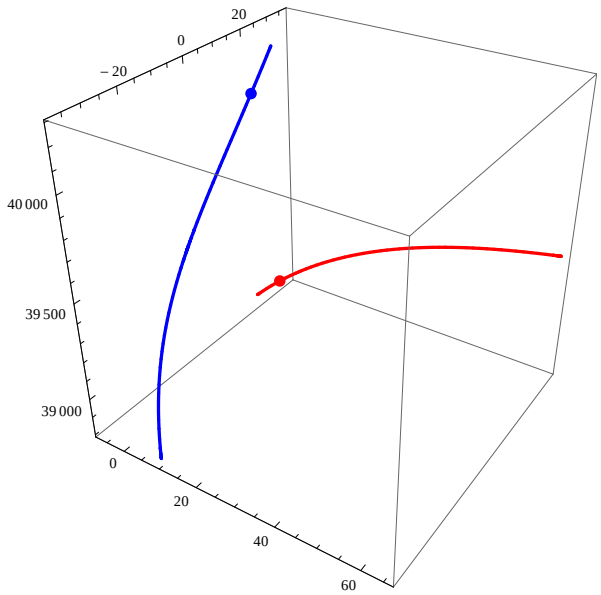

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$$t \mapsto \frac{319}{16384} \approx 0.019470215$$

Overview: Modeling and Solving

Modeling

- Depending on the problem domain, select a fitting theory.
- Consider expressivity vs solving complexity.

Solving

- Get an SMT solver that supports the theory.
- Hope for the best.

Overview: Uninterpreted Functions

Uninterpreted Functions (QF_UF)

Simplest first-order theory, with equality, applications of uninterpreted functions, and variables of uninterpreted types.

Reflexivity: $x = x$

Symmetry: $x = y \Rightarrow y = x$

Transitivity: $x = y \wedge y = z \Rightarrow x = z$

Congruence: $x = y \Rightarrow f(x) = f(y)$

Example

$$f(f(f(x))) = x \ \wedge \ f(f(f(f(f(x))))) = x \ \wedge \ f(x) \neq x$$

Overview: Arrays

Theory of Arrays [McC93]

Operates over types array, index, element and function symbols

$$\_[\_] : \text{array} \times \text{index} \mapsto \text{element}$$
$$\text{store} : \text{array} \times \text{index} \times \text{element} \mapsto \text{array} \quad .$$

Read-Over-Write-1: $\text{store}(a,i,e)[i] = e$

Read-Over-Write-2: $i \neq j \Rightarrow \text{store}(a,i,e)[j] = a[j]$

Extensionality: $a \neq b \Rightarrow \exists i : a[i] \neq b[i]$

Example

$$\text{store}(\text{store}(a,i,a[j]),j,a[i]) = \text{store}(\text{store}(a,j,a[i]),i,a[j])$$

Overview: Arithmetic

Arithmetic

Arithmetic constraints (inequalities, equalities) over arithmetic (real or integer) variables.

- Difference logic (QF_RDL, QF_IDL):

$$x - y \leq 1 \ , \qquad\qquad x - y > 10$$

- Linear arithmetic (QF_LRA, QF_LIA):

$$2x - 3y + 4z \leq 5$$

- Non-linear arithmetic (QF_NRA, QF_NIA):

$$x^2 + 3xy + y^2 > 0$$

Overview: Bitvectors

Bitvectors (QF_BV)

Operates over fixed-size bit-vectors, with bit-vector operations:

- concatenation $a \circ b$, extraction $a[i:j]$
- bit-wise operators $\sim a$, $a|b$, $a\&b$, ...
- shifts $a \ll k$, $b \gg k$ (logical, arithmetic)
- arithmetic $a + b$, $a - b$, $a * b$, a/b, ...
- predicates $=$, $<$, $\leq$, ... (signed and unsigned)

Semantics similar to programming languages.

Example (a is 32-bits)

$$(\sim a \ \& \ (a + 1)) >_u a$$

Overview: Strings

Strings (QF_S)

Operates over strings on a finite alphabet:

- string variables x, y, z
- string constants "abc", "AAAA", "http"
- string concatenation: $x \cdot \mathtt{abc}$, $x \cdot y \cdot z$
- string length: $|x|$

Constraints:

- Equalities and disequalities between string terms
- Linear arithmetic constraints: $|x| + 4 > |y|$

Example

$$x \cdot \text{"a"} = y \ \wedge \ y \neq \text{"b"} \cdot z \ \wedge \ |y| > |x| + 2$$

Overview: Other Interesting Theories

Some other theories

- Floating point [BDG+14, ZWR14]
- Inductive data-types [BST07]
- Strings and regular expressions [LRT+14, KGG+09]
- Quantifiers [DMB07, RTG+13]
- Differential Equations [GKC13]
- ...

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Theory solver/Decision procedure for T

Procedure to decide satisfiability of a conjunction of T-literals.

Solving: Apply a SAT Solver

Use a SAT solver

- Instead of DNF: Apply a SAT solver.
- Check the literals selected by the SAT solver.
- If not T-satisfiable, add a blocking clause.

Solving: Very Lazy SMT Example

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$$(x = a \vee x = b)$$
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Satisfiable: $a, x, z \mapsto c_1, \quad b, y \mapsto c_2$

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Integrate closely with SAT solver: DPLL(T) [DMR02, NOT05]

Incremental: Check T-satisfiability along the SAT solver

Backtrack: Backtrack with SAT solver and keep context

Propagation: If existing literals are implied tell SAT solver

Conflict: Small conflict explanations

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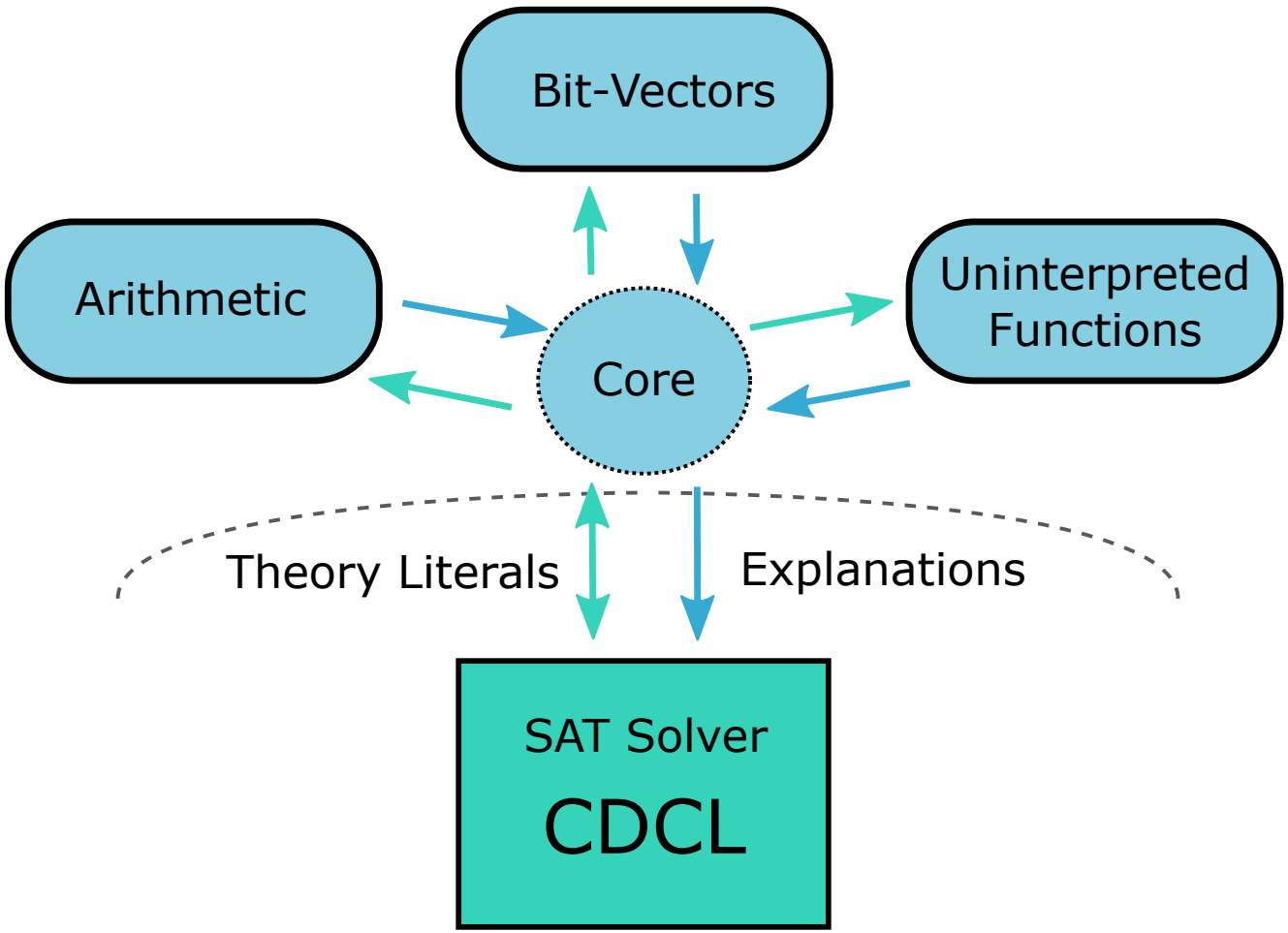

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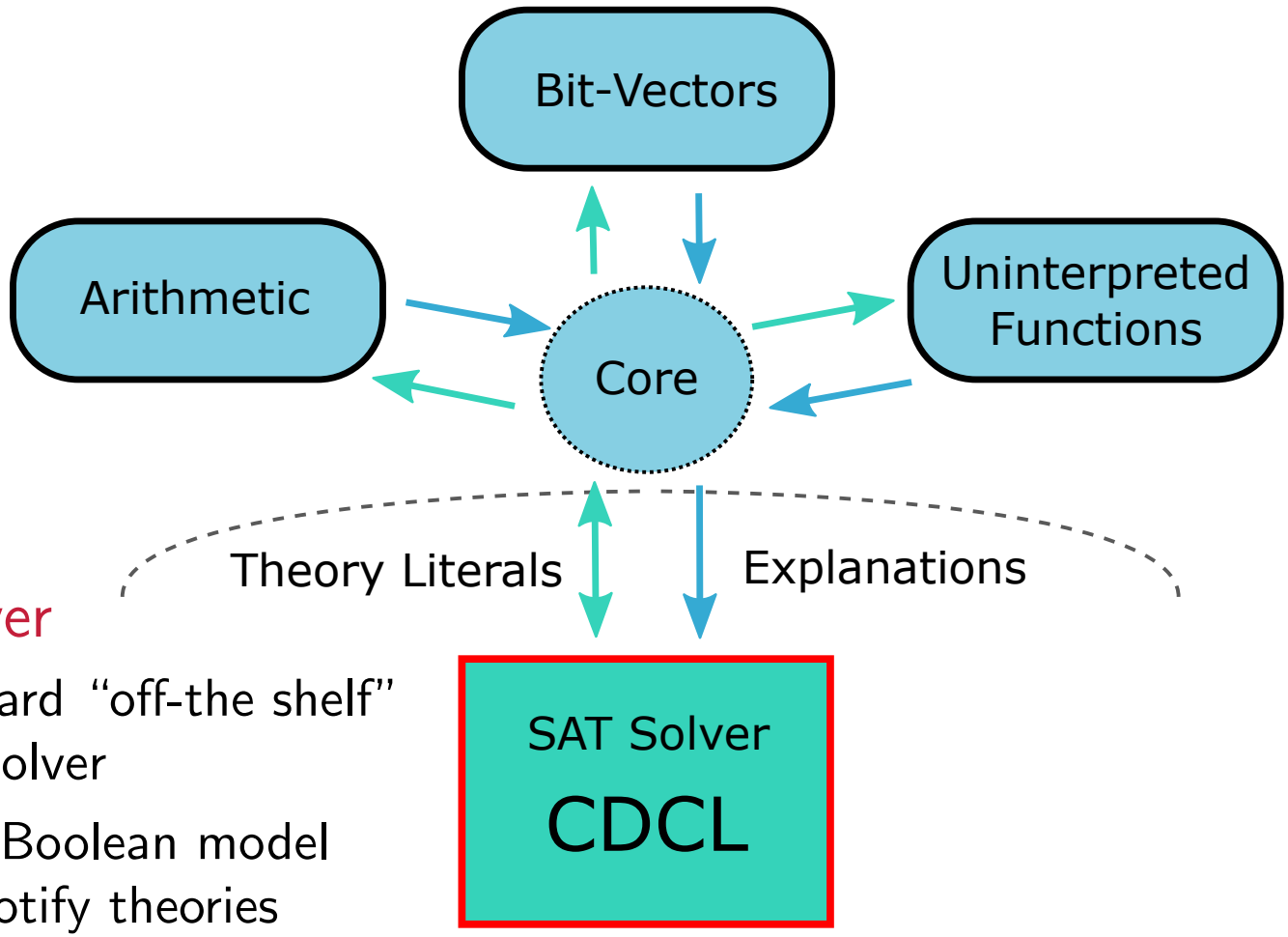

SAT Solver

- Standard "off-the shelf" SAT solver
- Build Boolean model and notify theories

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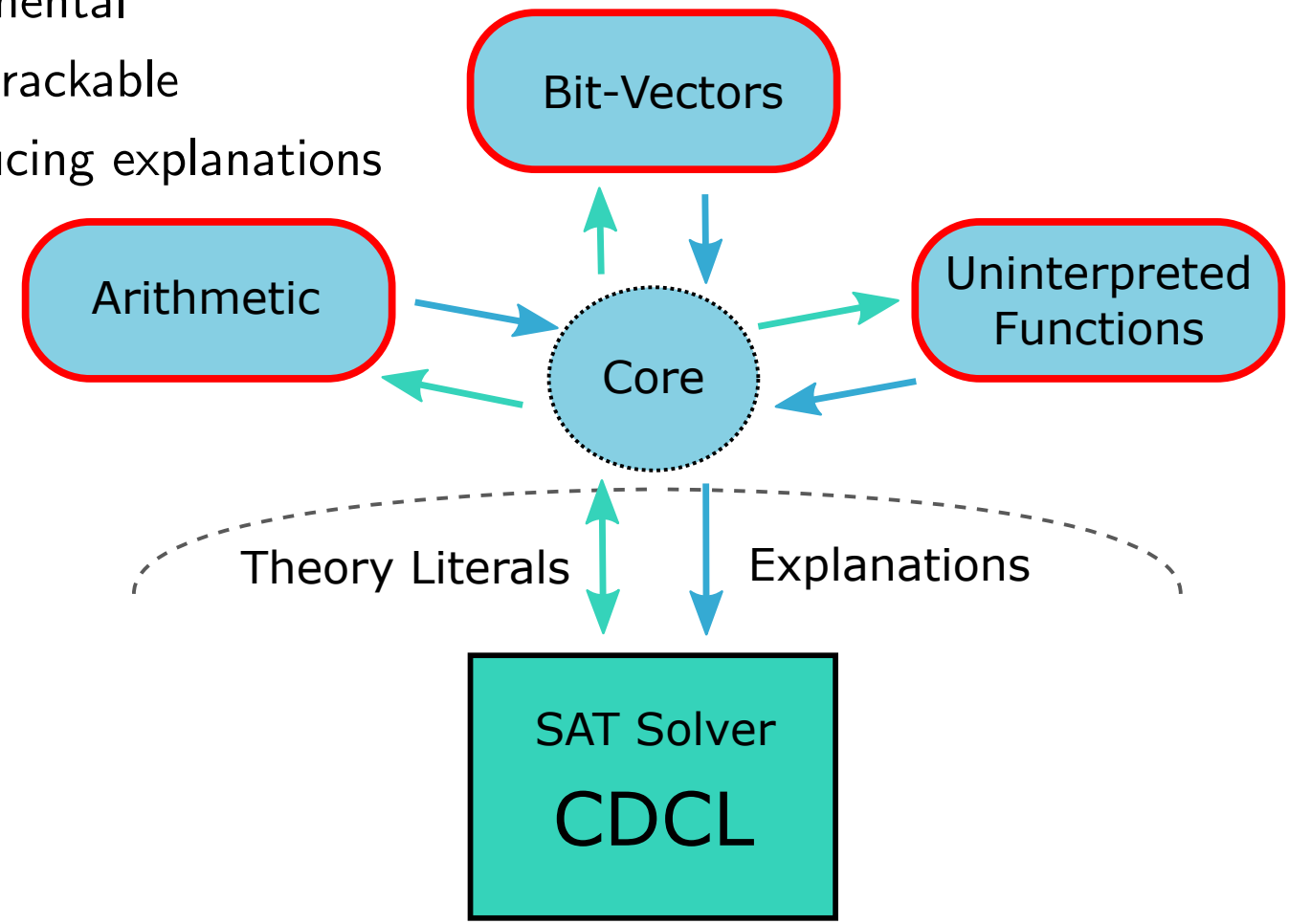
Theory Decision Procedures

- Check conjunctions of literals
- Incremental
- Backtrackable
- Producing explanations



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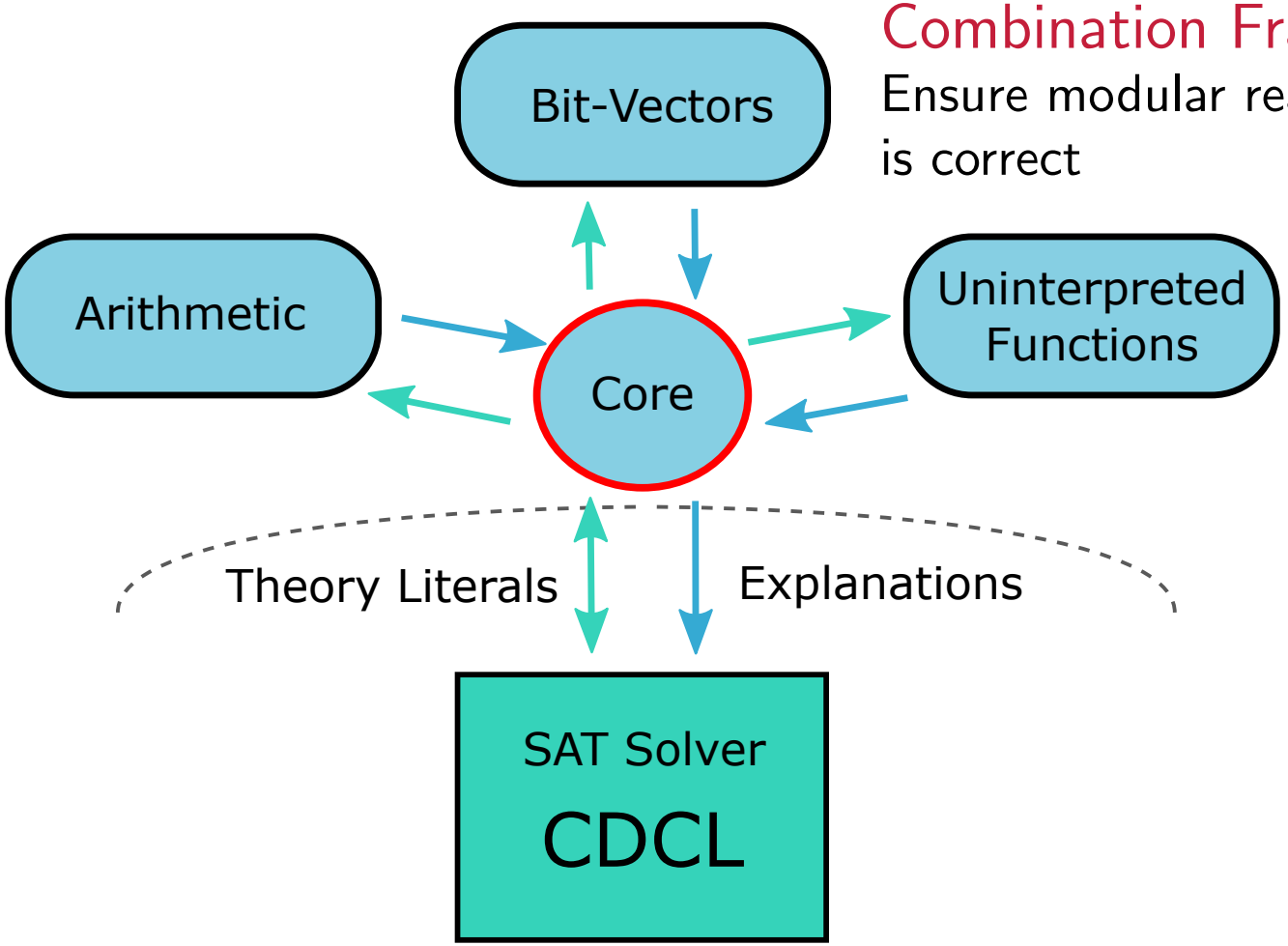

Combination Framework

Ensure modular reasoning is correct

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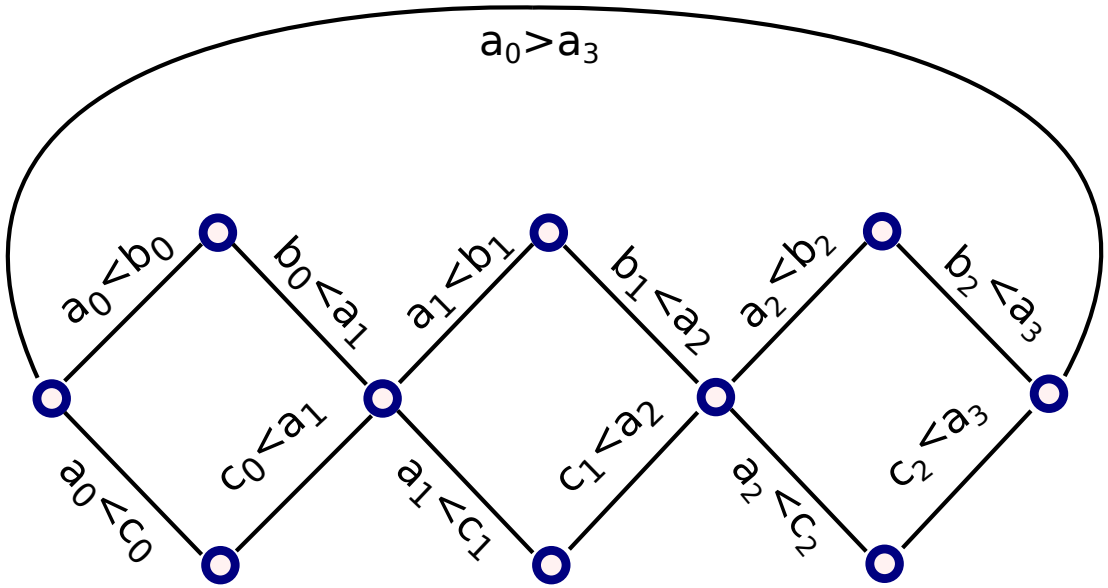

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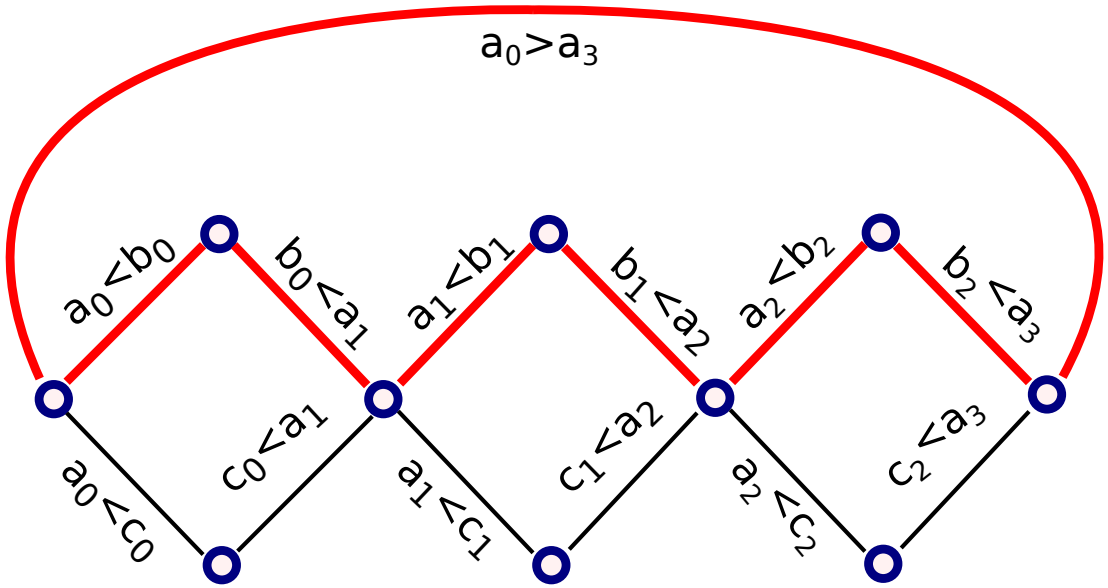

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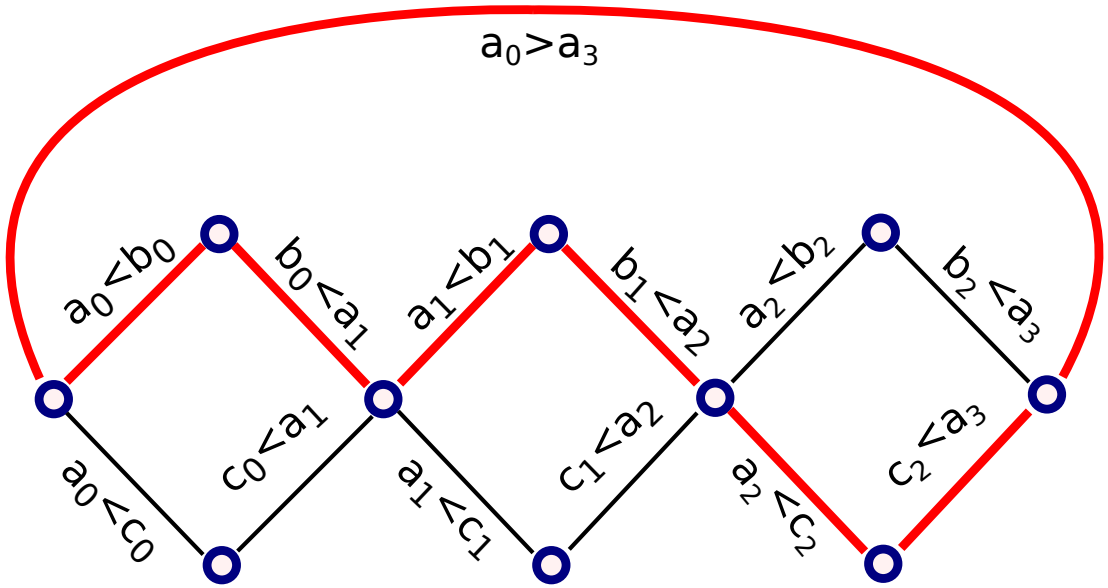

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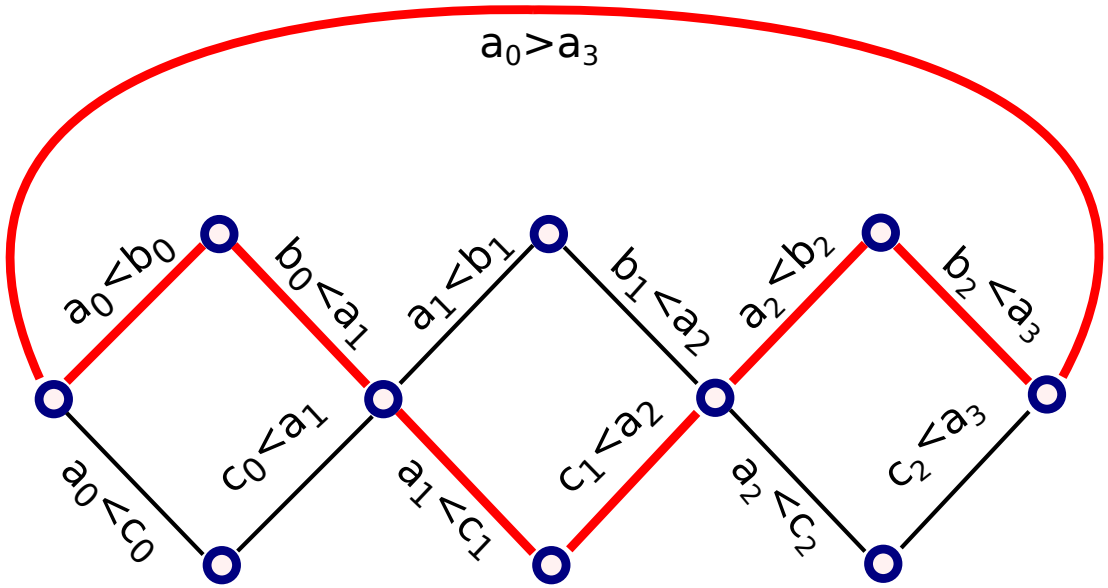

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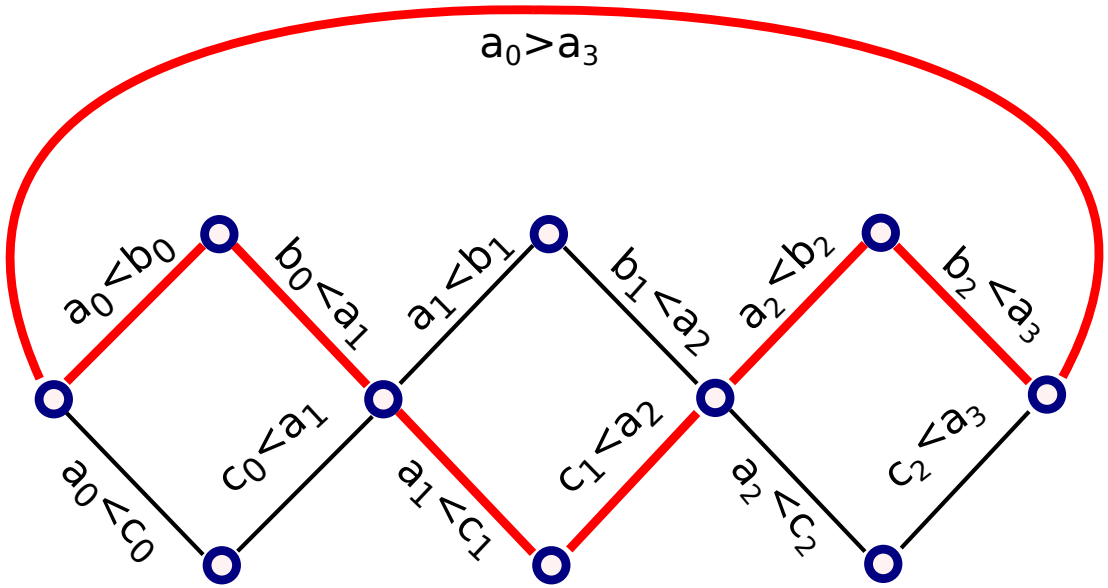

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And so on... Exponential enumeration of paths.

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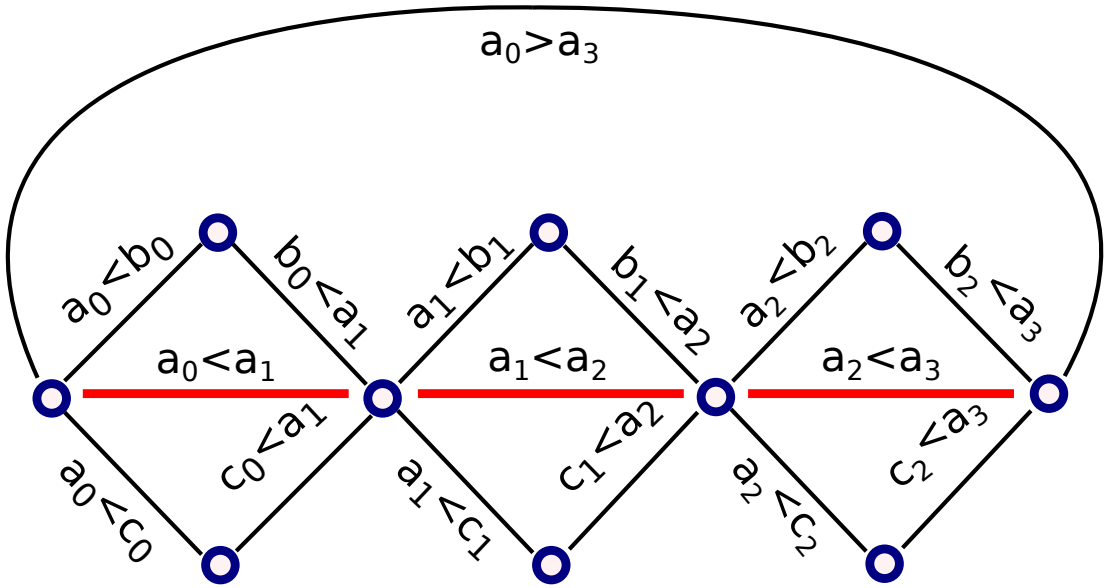

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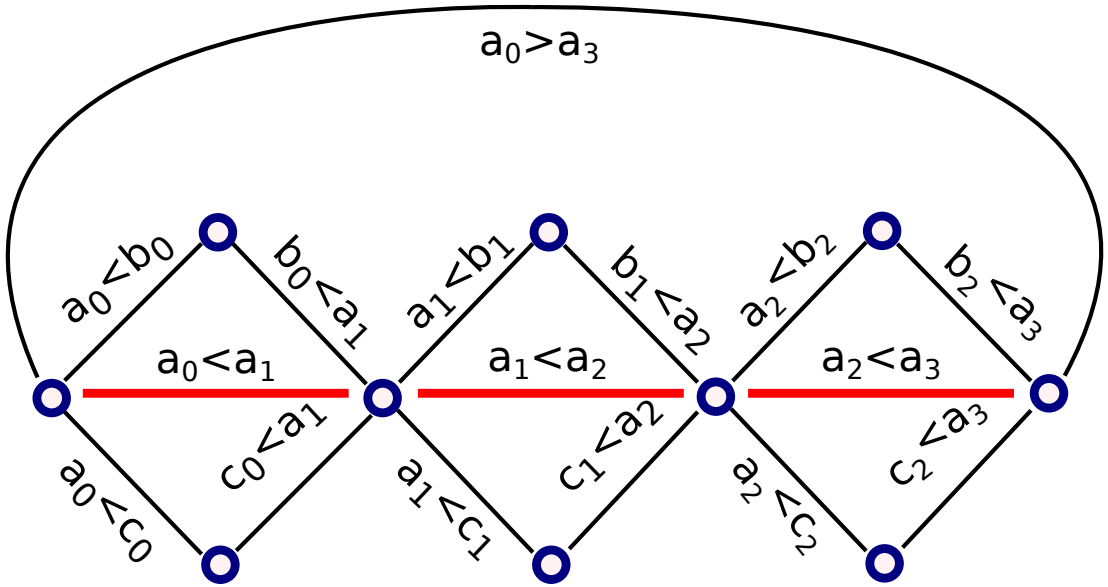

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Feature/Flaw: Can only use existing literals!

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Theories: Uninterpreted Functions

- Literals are of the form $x = y$, $x \neq y$, $x = f(x, f(y, z))$.
- Can be decided in $O(n \log(n))$ based on congruence closure.
- Efficient theory propagation for equalities.
- Can generate:
  - small explanations [DNS05],
  - minimal explanations [NO07],
  - smallest explanations NP-hard [FFHP].
- Typically the core of the SMT solver and used in other theories.

Theories: Uninterpreted Functions and Congruence Closure

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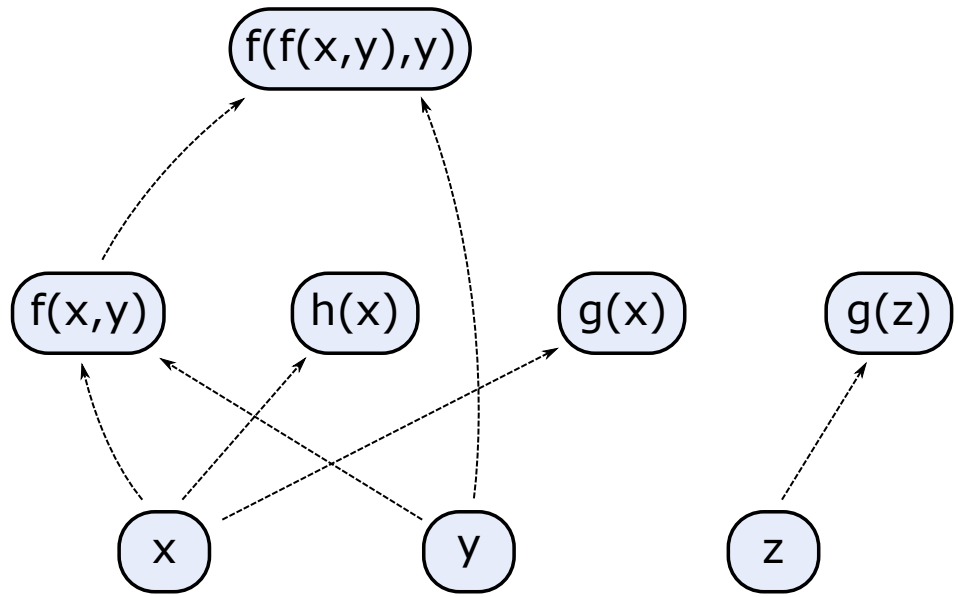

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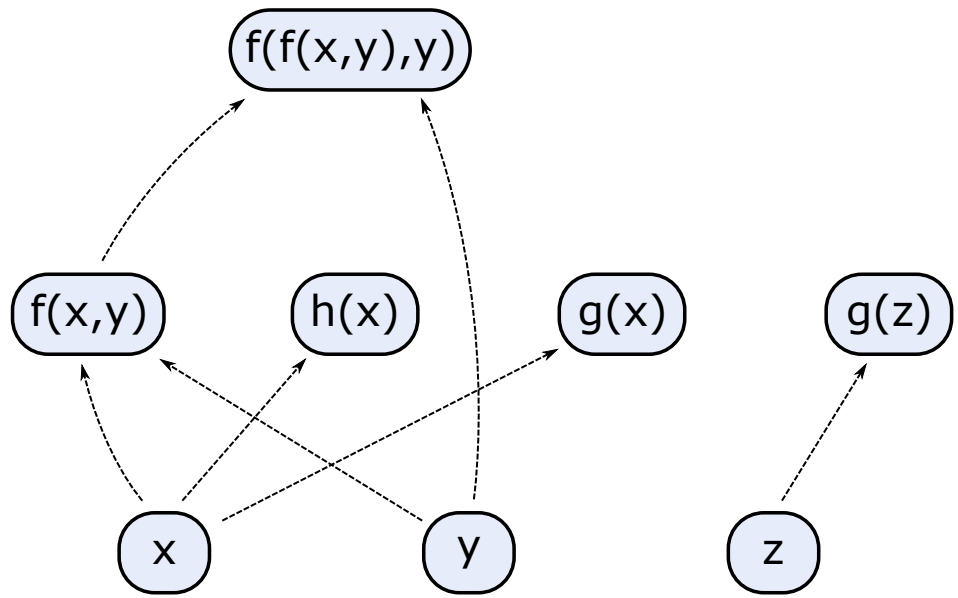

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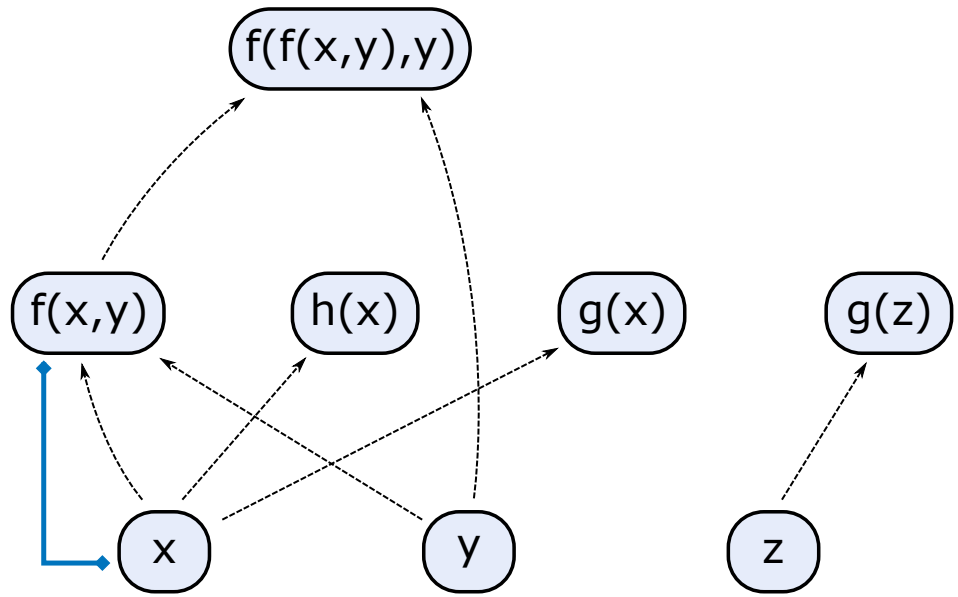

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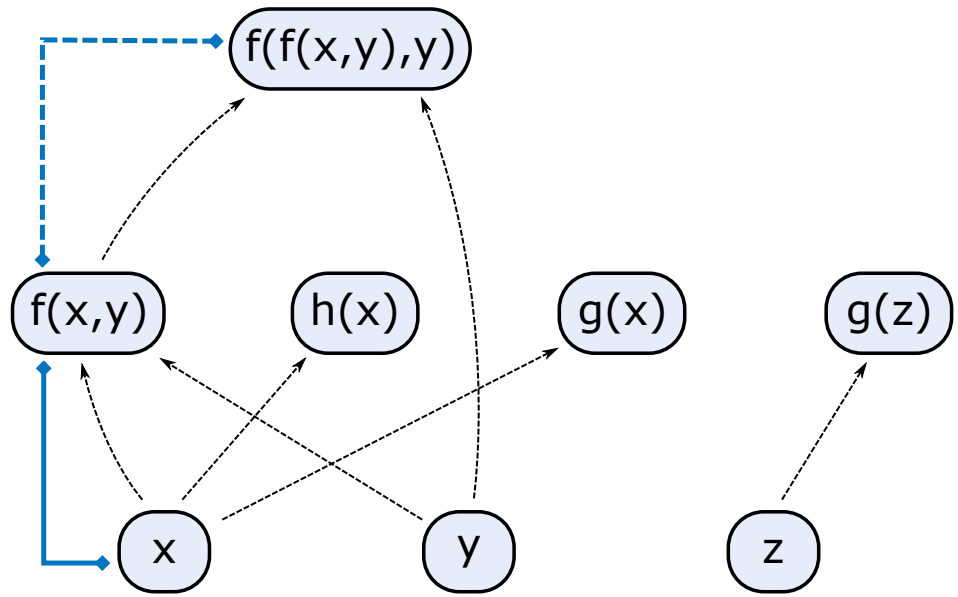

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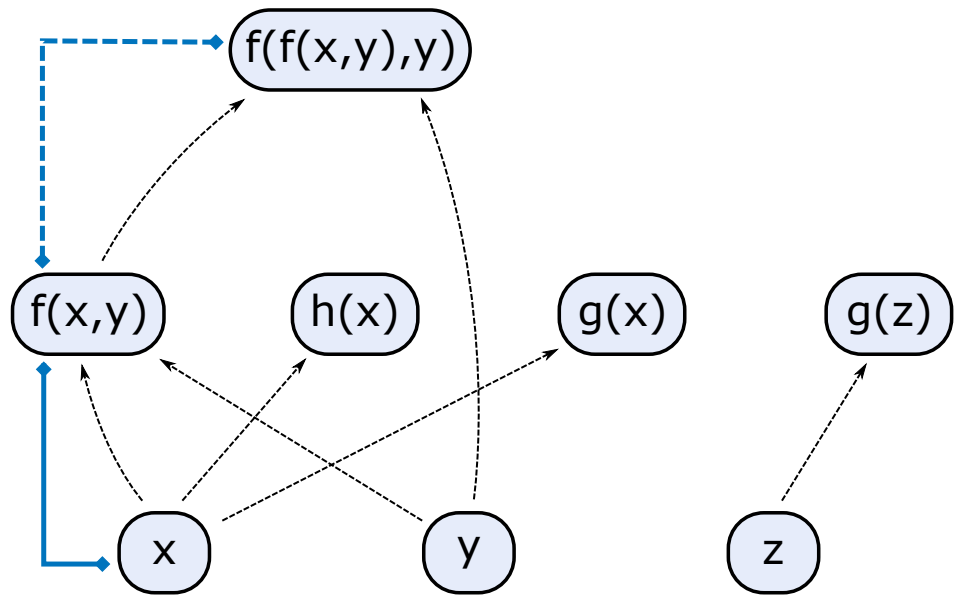

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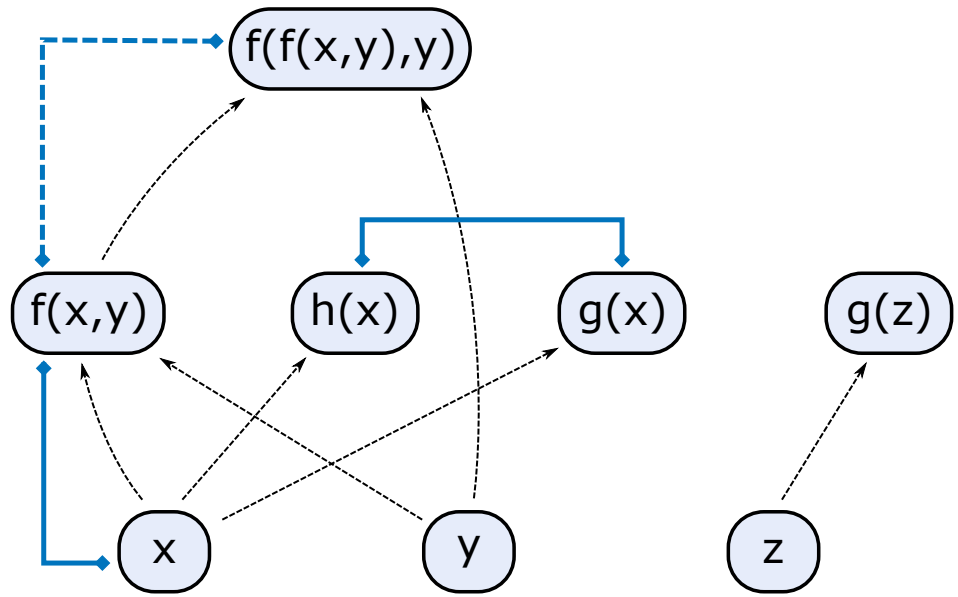

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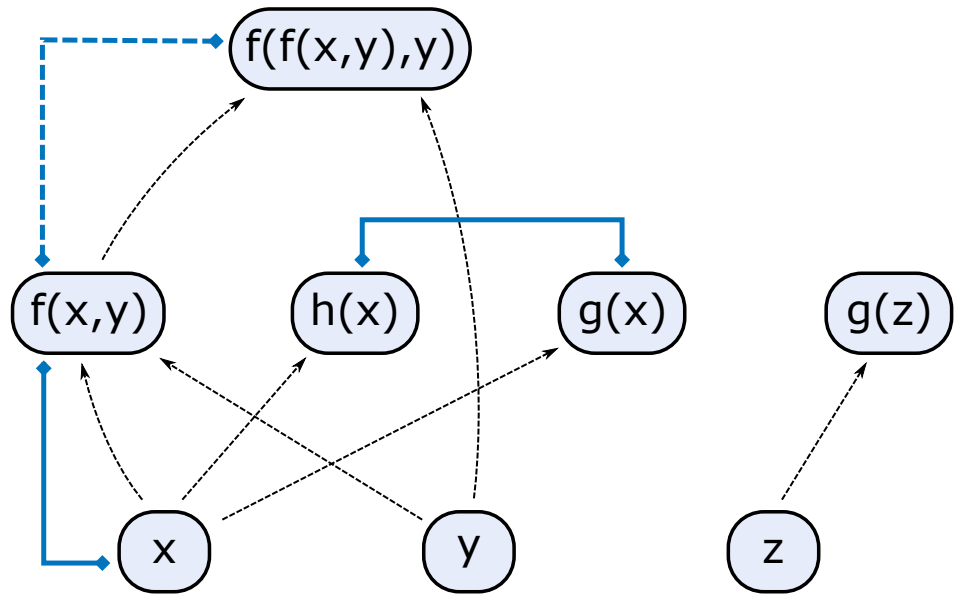

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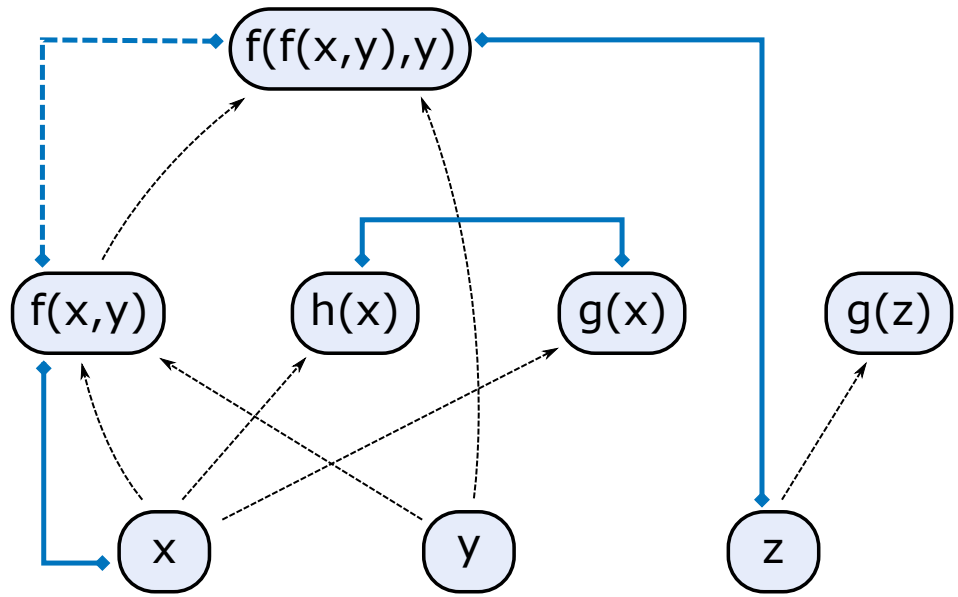

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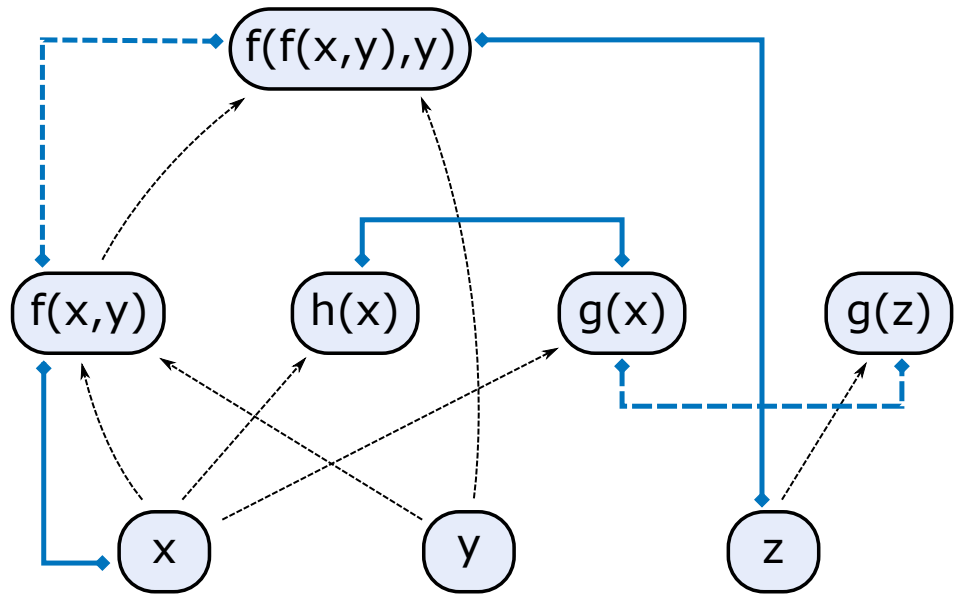

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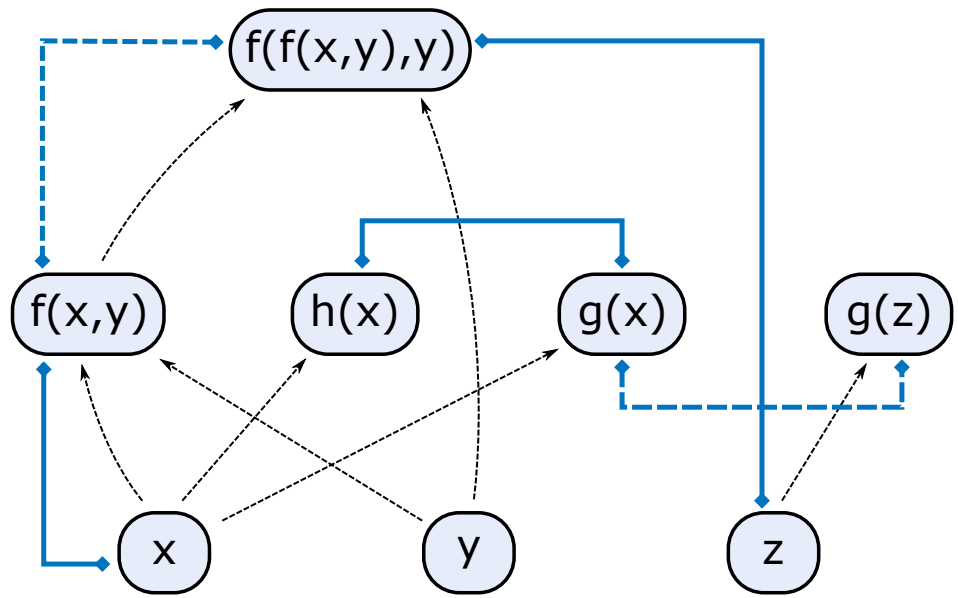

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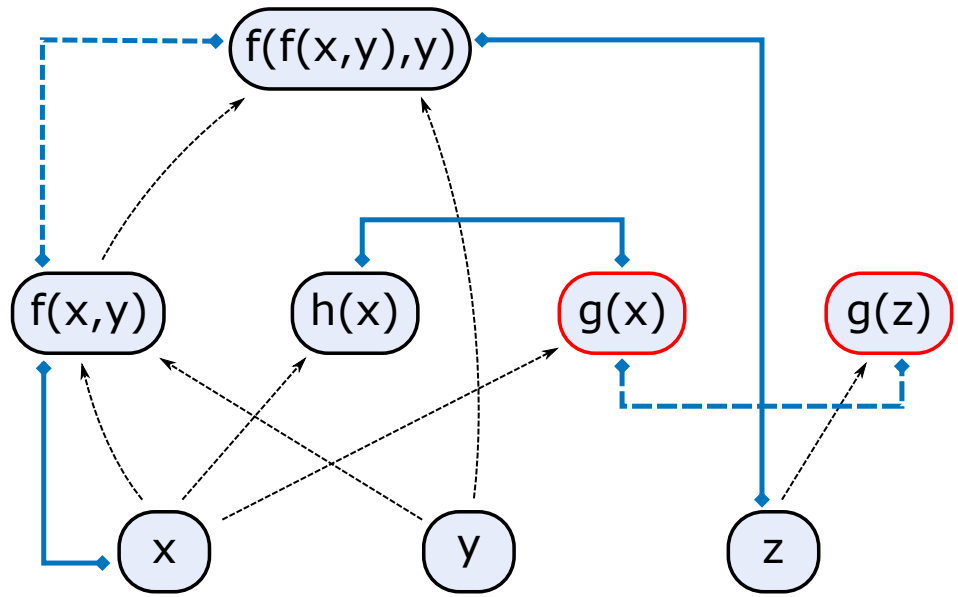

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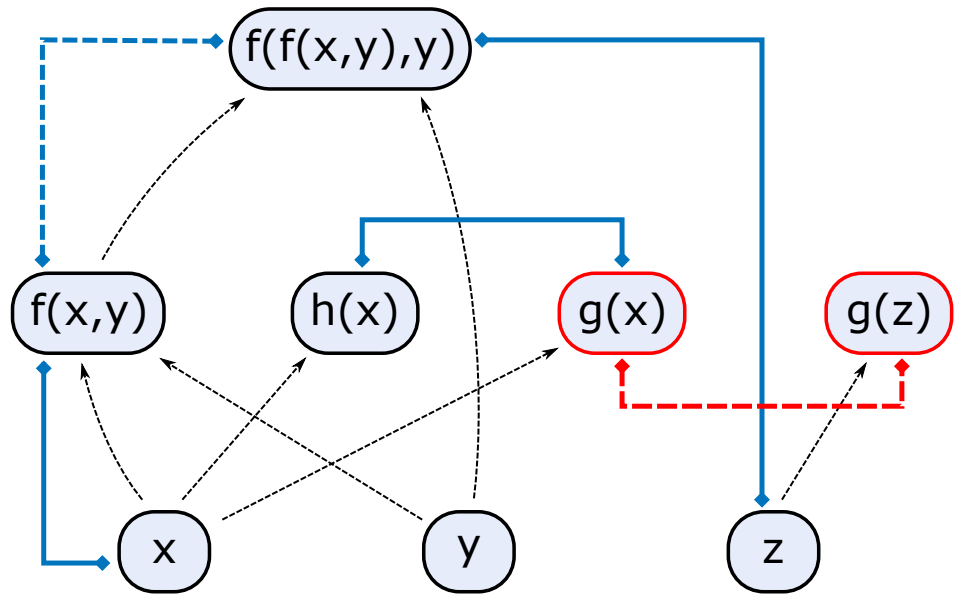

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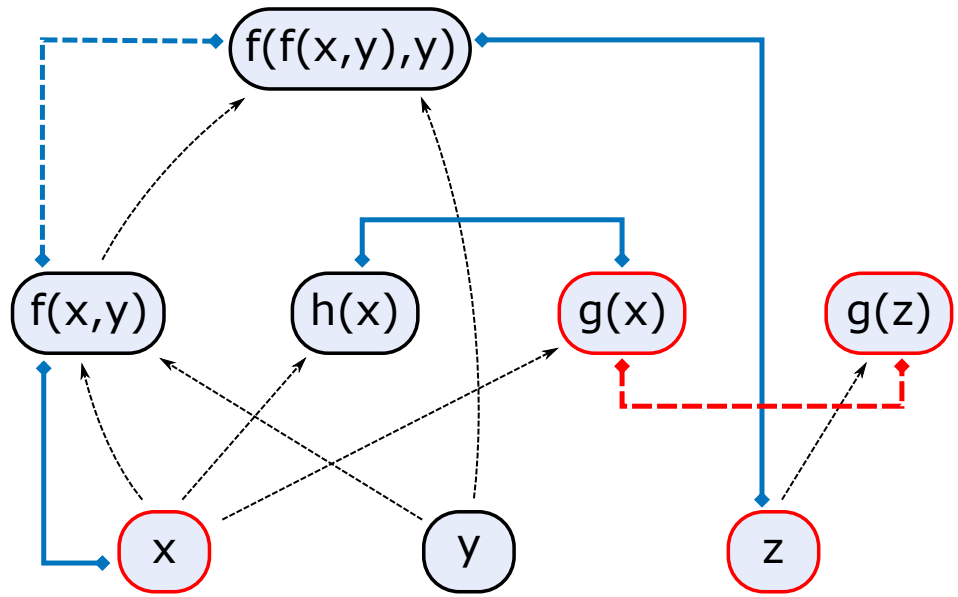

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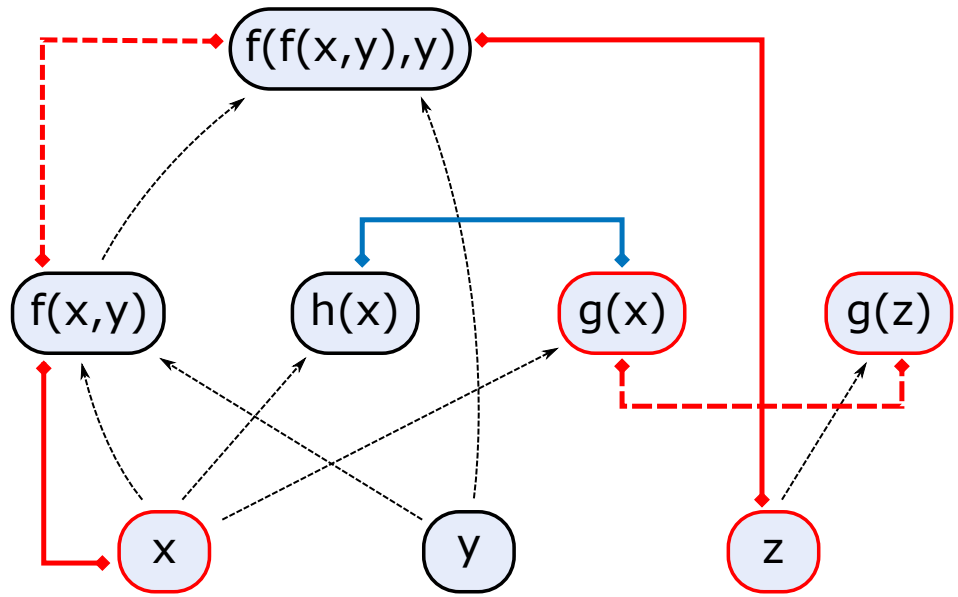

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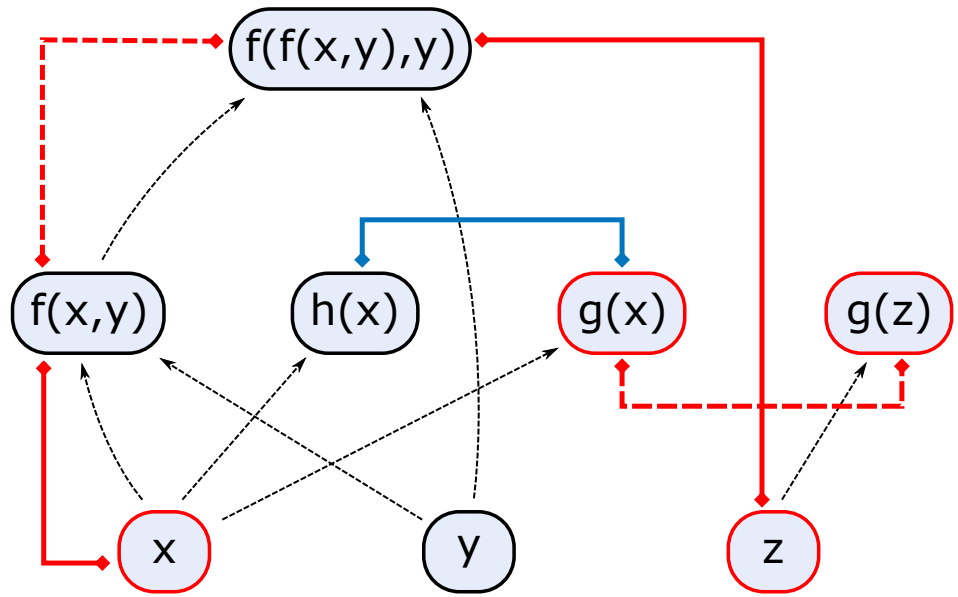

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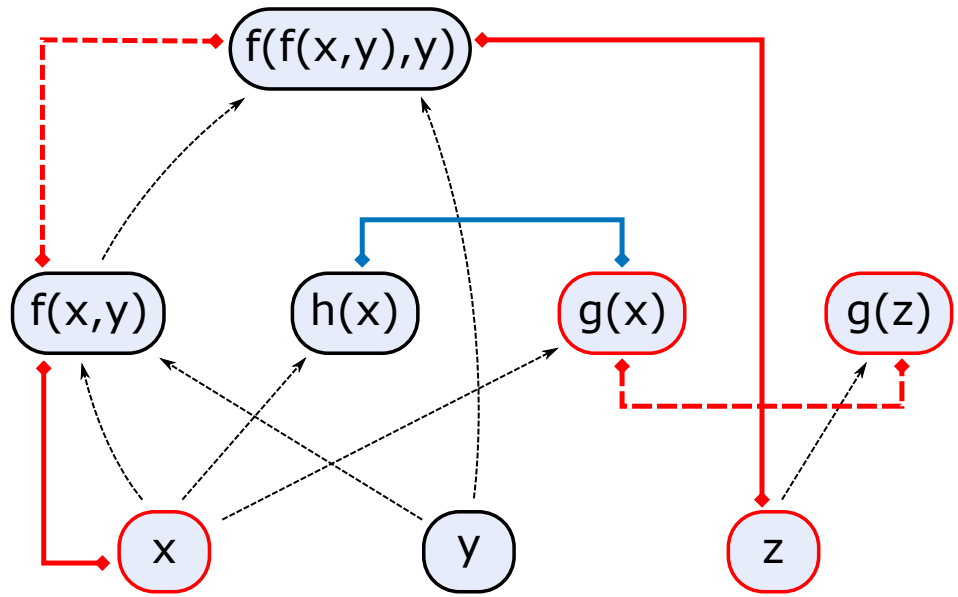

Theories: Difference Logic

- Literals are of the form $x - y \bowtie k$, where
  - $\bowtie \in \{\leq, <, =, \neq, >, \geq\}$,
  - x and y are arithmetic variables (integer or real),
  - k is a constant (integer or real)
- We can rewrite $x - y = k$ to $(x - y \leq k) \wedge (x - y \geq k)$
- In integers, we can rewrite $x - y < k$ to $x - y \leq k - 1$
- In reals, we can rewrite $x - y < k$ to $x - y \leq k - \delta$
- Can assume: all literals of the form $x - y \leq k$

Theories: Difference Logic Theory

Any solution to a set of literals can be shifted:

- if τ is a satisfying assignment, so is $\tau'(x) = \tau(x) + k$.

We can use this to also process simple bounds $x \leq k$:

- introduce fresh variable z (for zero),
- rewrite each $x \leq k$ to $x - z \leq k$,
- given a solution τ, shift it so that $\tau(z) = 0$.

If we allow (dis)equalities as literals, then:

- in reals, satisfiability is polynomial;
- in integers, satisfiability is NP-hard;
- shown by a reduction to graph coloring.

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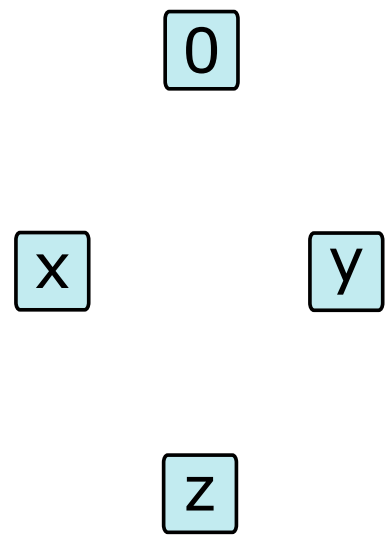

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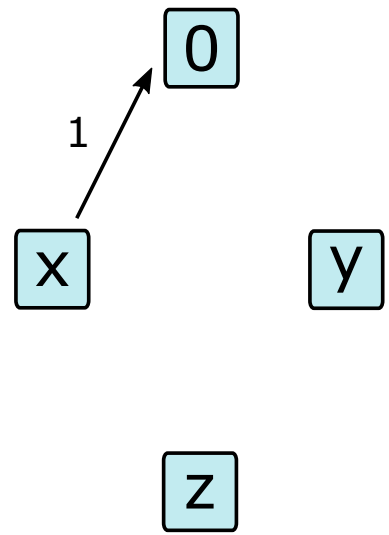

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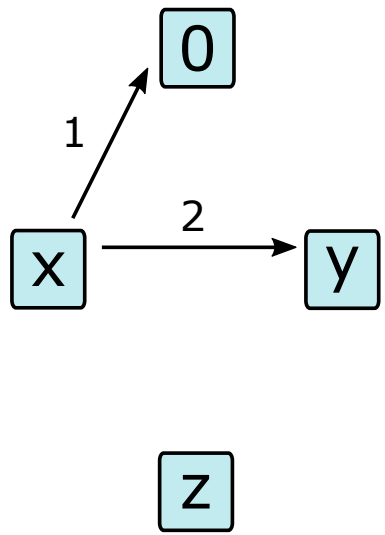

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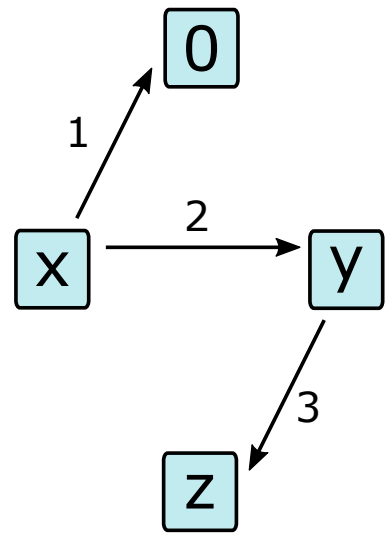

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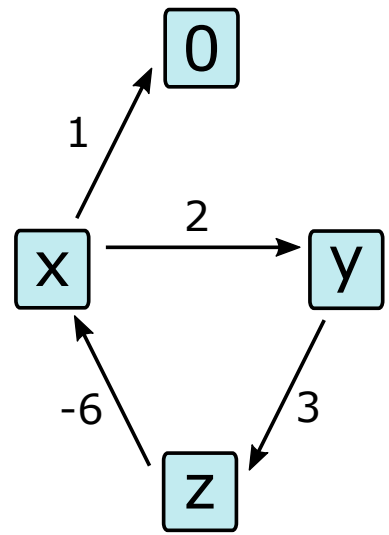

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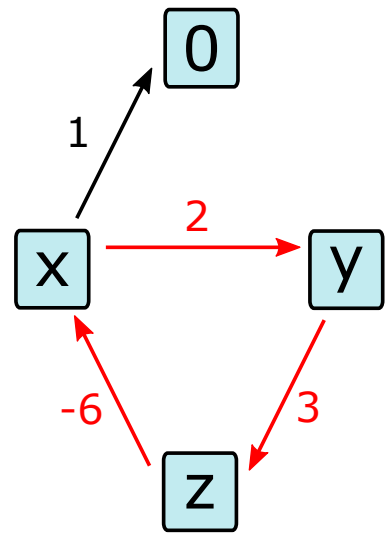

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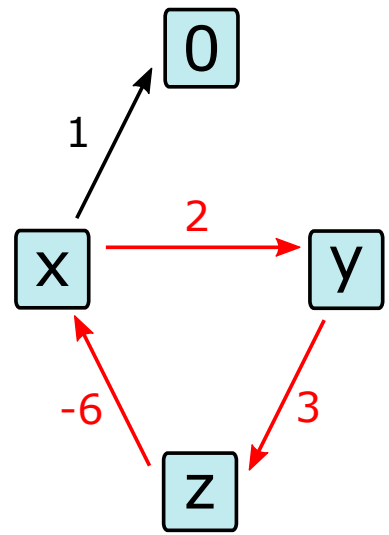

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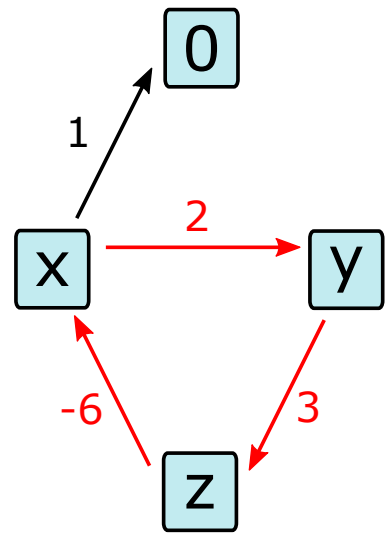

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Theories: Arrays

$$\forall a, i, e \ : \ \mathsf{store}(a, i, e)[i] = e$$
$$\forall a, i, j, e \ : \ i \neq j \Rightarrow \mathsf{store}(a, i, e)[j] = a[j]$$
$$\forall a, b \ : \ a \neq b \Rightarrow \exists i : a[i] \neq b[i]$$

Common approach:

- UF + lemmas on demand [BB09, DMB09]
- Use UF as if store and $\_[\_]$ were uninterpreted
- If UNSAT in UF, then UNSAT in arrays too
- If SAT and solution respects array axioms, then SAT (lucky)
- If not, then refine by instantiating violated axioms

Theories: Bit-Vectors

Common approach:

1. Heavy preprocessing
2. Encode into SAT (bit-blasting)
3. Run a SAT solver

Alternatives [HBJ+14, ZWR16] not yet mature.

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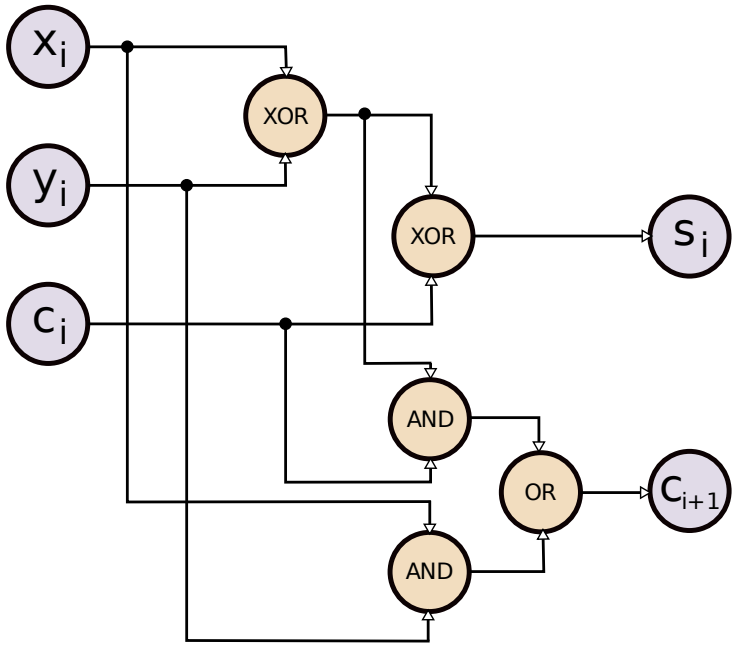

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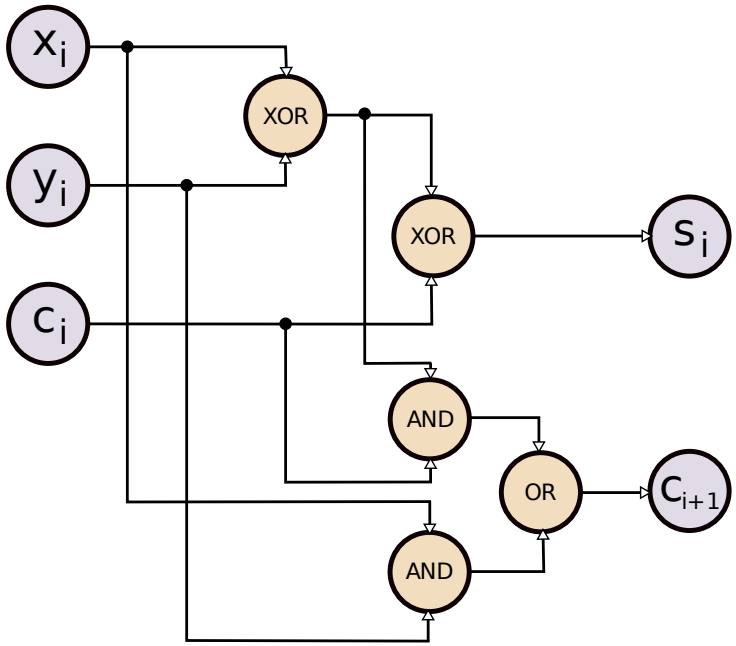

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Bit-Blasting Addition/Multiplication

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$x_{[32]} \times y_{[32]}$ 10016 new clauses, 3008 new variables

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