

CDSAT: Conflict-Driven SATisfiability modulo theories and assignments¹

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The conflict-driven reasoning paradigm

Conflict-driven reasoning in theory combination

The CDSAT transition system

Discussion

Archetype of conflict-driven reasoning: DPLL-CDCL

- ▶ SAT: satisfiability of a set of clauses in propositional logic
- ▶ Conflict-Driven Clause Learning (CDCL) procedure
 - [Marques-Silva, Sakallah: ICCAD 1996]
 - [Marques-Silva, Sakallah: IEEE Trans. on Computers 1999]
 - [Moskewicz, Madigan, Zhao, Zhang, Malik: DAC 2001]
 - [Marques-Silva, Lynce, Malik: SAT Handbook 2009]
- ▶ CDCL is conflict-driven SAT-solving

A taste of DPLL-CDCL: decisions and propagations

$$\{\neg a \vee b, \neg c \vee d, \neg e \vee \neg f, f \vee \neg e \vee \neg b\} \subseteq S$$

1. **Decide:** a is true; **Deduce:** b must be true
2. **Decide:** c is true; **Deduce:** d must be true
3. **Decide:** e is true; **Deduce:** $\neg f$ must be true

▶ **Trail** $\Gamma = a, b, c, d, e, \neg f$

▶ **Conflict:** $f \vee \neg e \vee \neg b$ is false

A taste of CDCL: conflict-solving

$$\{\neg a \vee b, \neg c \vee d, \neg e \vee \neg f, f \vee \neg e \vee \neg b\} \subseteq S$$

$$\Gamma = a, b, c, d, e, \neg f$$

1. Conflict: $f \vee \neg e \vee \neg b$
2. Explain by resolving $f \vee \neg e \vee \neg b$ with $\neg e \vee \neg f$: $\neg e \vee \neg b$
3. Learn $\neg e \vee \neg b$: no model with e and b true
4. Backjump to earliest level with $\neg b$ false and $\neg e$ unassigned:
 $\Gamma = a, b, \neg e$
5. Continue until it finds a satisfying assignment (model) or none can be found (conflict at level 0)

Conflict-driven reasoning in fragments of arithmetic

- ▶ Early forerunners, e.g.:
 - ▶ LPSAT [Wolfman, Weld: IJCAI 1999]
 - ▶ Separation logic [Wang, Ivančić, Ganai, Gupta: LPAR 2005]
- ▶ Linear rational arithmetic, e.g.:
 - ▶ Generalized DPLL [McMillan, Kuehlmann, Sagiv: CAV 2009]
 - ▶ Conflict Resolution [Korovin, Tsiskaridze, Voronkov: CP 2009]
 - ▶ Natural domain SMT [Cotton: FORMATS 2010]
- ▶ Linear integer arithmetic, e.g.:
Cutting-to-the-chase method [Jovanović, de Moura: CADE 2011]
- ▶ Non-linear arithmetic, e.g.:
NLSAT [Jovanović, de Moura: IJCAR 2012]
- ▶ Floating-point binary arithmetic, e.g.:
Systematic abstraction [Haller, Griggio, Brain, Kroening: FMCAD 2012]

Conflict-driven \mathcal{T} -satisfiability procedures

- ▶ \mathcal{T} -satisfiability procedure: decides satisfiability of a set of literals in the quantifier-free fragment of a theory \mathcal{T}
- ▶ Conflict-driven \mathcal{T} -satisfiability procedures generalize CDCL with at least two key features:
 - ▶ Assignments to **first-order** variables
 - ▶ Explanation of conflicts with lemmas containing **new** atoms (i.e., non-input)

Example in linear rational arithmetic

$$R = \{L_0 : (-2x - y < 0), L_1 : (x + y < 0), L_2 : (x < -1)\}$$

1. **Decide** a first-order assignment: $y \leftarrow 0$;
2. **Deduce**: L_0 yields $x > 0$
3. **Conflict** between $x > 0$ and L_2
4. **Explanation**: infer $-y < -2$ by the linear combination of L_0 and L_2 that eliminates x
 $-y < -2$ is a **new** (non-input) atom
that excludes not only $y \leftarrow 0$, but all assignments $y \leftarrow c$
where $c \leq 2$

From sets of literals to arbitrary QF formulas

- ▶ How to combine a **conflict-driven \mathcal{T} -satisfiability procedure** with DPLL-CDCL to decide the **satisfiability of an arbitrary formula** in the quantifier-free fragment of theory \mathcal{T} ?
- ▶ Using the standard DPLL(\mathcal{T}) framework?
[Nieuwenhuis, Oliveras, Tinelli: JACM 2006]
No: it allows neither first-order assignment nor new atoms on the trail
- ▶ MCSAT [de Moura, Jovanović: VMCAI 2013]

Open questions

Problems from applications require **combinations of theories**:

- ▶ How to combine **multiple conflict-driven \mathcal{T} -satisfiability procedures** with DPLL-CDCL?
- ▶ Better: How to combine **multiple conflict-driven \mathcal{T} -satisfiability procedure** one of which is DPLL-CDCL?
- ▶ Which requirements should theories and procedures satisfy to ensure **soundness**, **completeness**, and **termination** of the conflict-driven combination?

Answer: the new system **CDSAT** (**C**onflict-**D**riven **S**ATisfiability)

Classical approach to theory combination: equality sharing

Equality sharing aka Nelson-Oppen method

[Nelson, Oppen: ACM TOPLAS 1979]

- ▶ Given theories $\mathcal{T}_1, \dots, \mathcal{T}_n$ with \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedures
- ▶ Get \mathcal{T}_∞ -satisfiability procedure for $\mathcal{T}_\infty = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{T}_k$
- ▶ **Disjoint** theories: share only \simeq (and sorts)
- ▶ Mixed terms handled by introducing new variables or viewing as variables maximal subterms with foreign root symbol
- ▶ The \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedures need to agree on:
 - ▶ Which shared variables are equal
 - ▶ Cardinalities of shared sorts

Theory combination by equality sharing

- ▶ For cardinality: assume **stably infinite**: every \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiable ground formula has \mathcal{T}_k -model with infinite cardinality
- ▶ For equality: compute an **arrangement** saying which shared variables are equal and which are not by letting the \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedures generate and propagate all entailed (disjunctions of) equalities between shared variables
- ▶ Minimize interaction: the \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedures are treated as **black-boxes**
- ▶ Integrated in DPLL(\mathcal{T}) with new atoms on the trail only for equalities between shared variables [Barrett, Nieuwenhuis, Oliveras, Tinelli: LPAR 2006] [Krstić, Goel: FroCoS 2007]

More open questions

- ▶ Conflict-driven behavior and black-box integration are at odds: a conflict-driven \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedure needs to access the trail and performs inferences to explain conflicts on a par with DPLL-CDCL
- ▶ How can we combine **multiple** \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedures some **conflict-driven** and some **not**?

Answer: the new system **CDSAT** (**C**onflict-**D**riven **S**ATisfiability)

What is CDSAT (Conflict-Driven SATisfiability)

- ▶ CDSAT is a new method for theory combination
- ▶ CDSAT generalizes **conflict-driven reasoning** to **generic** combinations of **disjoint** theories $\mathcal{T}_1, \dots, \mathcal{T}_n$
- ▶ CDSAT solves the problem of **combining multiple** \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedures some **conflict-driven** and some **not** into a **conflict-driven** \mathcal{T} -satisfiability procedure for $\mathcal{T}_\infty = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{T}_k$
- ▶ CDSAT reduces to equality sharing if no \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedure is conflict-driven

Basic features of CDSAT

- ▶ CDSAT treats propositional and theory reasoning uniformly: formulas are terms of sort **prop**
- ▶ Propositional logic is one of $\mathcal{T}_1, \dots, \mathcal{T}_n$
DPLL-CDCL is one of the \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedures
- ▶ With formulas reduced to terms, **assignments** become the basic data for inferences
- ▶ **CDSAT** combines **inference systems** called **theory modules** $\mathcal{I}_1, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n$ for $\mathcal{T}_1, \dots, \mathcal{T}_n$
- ▶ **CDSAT** treats a non-conflict-driven \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedure as a **theory module** whose only inference rule invokes the procedure to detect \mathcal{T}_k -unsatisfiability
- ▶ **CDSAT** is **sound**, **complete**, and **terminating**

In CDSAT everything is assignment

- ▶ $P = \{ f(\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j)) \simeq w, f(u) \simeq w - 2, i \simeq j, u \simeq v \}$
- ▶ $P = \{ f(\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j)) \simeq w \leftarrow \text{true}$
 $f(u) \simeq w - 2 \leftarrow \text{true}$
 $i \simeq j \leftarrow \text{true}$
 $u \simeq v \leftarrow \text{true} \}$
- ▶ Combination of the theories of Equality (EUF), Linear Rational Arithmetic (LRA), and Arrays (Arr)
- ▶ EUF and Arr share the sort of array values
- ▶ EUF and LRA share the sort of rational numbers

Beyond propositional variables and Boolean values

- ▶ Assignments to propositional variables: $L \leftarrow true$
- ▶ Assignments to first-order variables: $x \leftarrow 3, y \leftarrow \sqrt{2}$
- ▶ Assignments to first-order terms: $select(a, i) \leftarrow 3$
- ▶ Assignments to first-order atoms, literals, clauses ... all seen as first-order terms of sort `prop`:
 $a \geq b \leftarrow true$
 $P(a, b) \leftarrow false$ $a \geq b \vee P(a, b) \leftarrow true$
all theories feature sort `prop`
- ▶ L stands for $L \leftarrow true$, $t_1 \not\approx t_2$ stands for $t_1 \simeq t_2 \leftarrow false$
 \bar{L} is the flip of L
- ▶ What are **values**? $3, \sqrt{2}$ are not in the signature of any theory

Theory extension

- ▶ **Theory extension** \mathcal{T}_k^+ of theory \mathcal{T}_k : add new constant symbols (and possibly new axioms)
- ▶ Example: add a constant symbol for every number (e.g., integers, rationals, algebraic reals)
 $\sqrt{2}$ is a constant symbol interpreted as $\sqrt{2}$
- ▶ The **values** in assignments are these constant symbols, called \mathcal{T}_k -values (*true* and *false* are values for all theories)
- ▶ **Conservative theory extension**: a \mathcal{T}_k^+ -unsatisfiable set of \mathcal{T}_k -formulas is \mathcal{T}_k -unsatisfiable
- ▶ $\mathcal{T}_\infty^+ = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{T}_k^+$ extension of $\mathcal{T}_\infty = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{T}_k$

Assignment

- ▶ $\{t_1 \leftarrow c_1, \dots, t_m \leftarrow c_m\}$
- ▶ t_1, \dots, t_m : \mathcal{T}_∞ -terms
- ▶ c_1, \dots, c_m : **values**
- ▶ c_i has the same sort as t_i
- ▶ $t_i \leftarrow c_i$ is a \mathcal{T}_k -assignment if c_i is a \mathcal{T}_k -value
- ▶ An assignment must be **plausible**: it does not contain $L \leftarrow true$ and $L \leftarrow false$
- ▶ All theories may contribute: e.g., $t_i \leftarrow true$ is a \mathcal{T}_1 -assignment, $t_j \leftarrow 3$ is a \mathcal{T}_2 -assignment, $t_h \leftarrow \sqrt{2}$ is a \mathcal{T}_3 -assignment

Problems as assignments

- ▶ **Boolean assignment**: Boolean values
- ▶ **First-order assignment**: non-Boolean values
- ▶ **Satisfiability Modulo Theory problem**: a plausible Boolean assignment
- ▶ **Satisfiability Modulo theory and Assignment problem**: a plausible assignment with both Boolean and first-order assignments

Theory view of an assignment

Let \mathcal{T} stand for either \mathcal{T}_k , for any k , $1 \leq k \leq n$, or \mathcal{T}_∞

\mathcal{T}_∞ -assignment: $H = \{t_1 \leftarrow c_1, \dots, t_m \leftarrow c_m\}$

The \mathcal{T} -view of H is the \mathcal{T} -assignment made of:

- ▶ The \mathcal{T} -assignments in H
- ▶ $u \simeq t$ if H includes \mathcal{T}_j -assignments ($1 \leq j \leq n$)
 $u \leftarrow c$ and $t \leftarrow c$ of a sort known to \mathcal{T}
- ▶ $u \not\simeq t$ if H includes \mathcal{T}_j -assignments ($1 \leq j \leq n$)
 $u \leftarrow c$ and $t \leftarrow q$ of a sort known to \mathcal{T} ($c \neq q$)

Examples of theory views

$H = \{y \leftarrow -1, z \leftarrow 2, x > 1, \text{store}(a, i, v) \simeq b, \text{select}(a, j) \leftarrow \text{red}\}$

- ▶ Bool-view: $\{x > 1, \text{store}(a, i, v) \simeq b\}$
- ▶ Arr-view: $\{x > 1, \text{store}(a, i, v) \simeq b, \text{select}(a, j) \leftarrow \text{red}\}$
- ▶ LRA-view:
 $\{x > 1, \text{store}(a, i, v) \simeq b, y \leftarrow -1, z \leftarrow 2, y \neq z\}$
- ▶ EUF-view: $\{x > 1, \text{store}(a, i, v) \simeq b, y \neq z\}$ assuming EUF has the sort of the rational numbers
- ▶ **Global view:** $H \cup \{y \neq z\}$

Assignments and models: endorsement

- ▶ Let \mathcal{T} stand for either \mathcal{T}_k , for any k , $1 \leq k \leq n$, or \mathcal{T}_∞
- ▶ What does it mean that a \mathcal{T}^+ -model \mathcal{M} **satisfies** a \mathcal{T} -assignment?
- ▶ \mathcal{T}^+ -model \mathcal{M} **endorses** \mathcal{T} -assignment $u \leftarrow c$ if \mathcal{M} interprets u and c as the same element
- ▶ \mathcal{T}^+ -model \mathcal{M} **satisfies** \mathcal{T} -assignment J if \mathcal{M} **endorses** the \mathcal{T} -view of J

Another example

- ▶ $\{t \leftarrow 3.1, u \leftarrow 5.4, t \leftarrow \text{red}, u \leftarrow \text{blue}\} \subseteq H$
- ▶ $t \leftarrow 3.1$ and $u \leftarrow 5.4$ are \mathcal{T}_1 -assignments
- ▶ $t \leftarrow \text{red}$ and $u \leftarrow \text{blue}$ are \mathcal{T}_2 -assignments
- ▶ \mathcal{T}_1 and \mathcal{T}_2 share the sort of t and u
- ▶ Both \mathcal{T}_1^+ and \mathcal{T}_2^+ provide values for this sort
- ▶ The \mathcal{T}_1 -view of H includes $\{t \leftarrow 3.1, u \leftarrow 5.4, t \neq u\}$
- ▶ The \mathcal{T}_2 -view of H includes $\{t \leftarrow \text{red}, u \leftarrow \text{blue}, t \neq u\}$
- ▶ A combined model that identifies 3.1 with red and 5.4 with blue can satisfy H

Theory modules

- ▶ Theories $\mathcal{T}_1, \dots, \mathcal{T}_n$
- ▶ Equipped with **theory modules** $\mathcal{I}_1, \dots, \mathcal{I}_n$
- ▶ \mathcal{I}_k is an inference system for \mathcal{T}_k
- ▶ \mathcal{I}_k -inferences transforms assignments
- ▶ Examples in arithmetic on the reals (RA):
 - ▶ $(x \leftarrow \sqrt{2}), (y \leftarrow \sqrt{2}) \vdash (x \cdot y \simeq 1 + 1)$
 - ▶ $(y \leftarrow \sqrt{2}), (x \leftarrow \sqrt{2}) \vdash (y \simeq x)$
 - ▶ $(y \leftarrow \sqrt{2}), (x \leftarrow \sqrt{3}) \vdash (y \not\simeq x)$

Inferences in theory modules

- ▶ **Inference** $J \vdash L$
- ▶ J is an **assignment**
- ▶ L is a **singleton Boolean assignment**
- ▶ Only Boolean assignments are inferred
- ▶ Getting $y \leftarrow 2$ from $x \leftarrow 1$ and $(x + y) \leftarrow 3$ is viewed as a forced decision in CDSAT

Equality inferences

All theory modules include **equality inferences**:

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

How about decisions?

Module \mathcal{I}_k decides a value for term u if u is **relevant** to theory \mathcal{T}_k :

- ▶ $H = \{x \leftarrow 5, f(x) \leftarrow 2, f(y) \leftarrow 3\}$
- ▶ Rational variables x and y are LRA-relevant, not EUF-relevant
- ▶ $x \simeq y$ is EUF-relevant (assume EUF has sort Q), not LRA-relevant
- ▶ LRA can make x and y equal/different by assigning them the same/different value
- ▶ EUF can make x and y equal/different by deciding the truth value of $x \simeq y$

Two ways to communicate an equality: making it *true* and assigning the same value to its sides

Acceptability

Given \mathcal{T}_k -assignment J (e.g., the \mathcal{T}_k -view of the trail)

Assignment $u \leftarrow c$ is **acceptable** for J and the \mathcal{T}_k -module \mathcal{I}_k if

1. u is relevant to \mathcal{T}_k
2. J does not already assign a \mathcal{T}_k -value to u
3. For $u \leftarrow c$ first-order, it does not happen $J' \cup \{u \leftarrow c\} \vdash_{\mathcal{I}_k} L$,
where $J' \subseteq J$ and $\bar{L} \in J$

We have theory modules for

- ▶ Propositional logic
- ▶ Linear rational arithmetic (LRA)
- ▶ Equality (EUF)
- ▶ Arrays (Arr) – first time conflict-driven
- ▶ Any stably infinite theory \mathcal{T}_k equipped with a \mathcal{T}_k -satisfiability procedure that detects the \mathcal{T}_k -unsatisfiability of a set of Boolean assignments:

$$\{L_1 \leftarrow \mathbf{b}_1, \dots, L_m \leftarrow \mathbf{b}_m\} \vdash_{\mathcal{T}_k} \perp$$

The CDSAT trail

- ▶ **Trail**: sequence of assignments that are either **decisions** or **justified assignments**
- ▶ **Decisions** can be either Boolean or first-order
- ▶ A **justified assignment** A has a **justification** that is a set of assignments that appear before A in the trail:
 - ▶ Due to inferences, e.g., $J \vdash_{\mathcal{I}_k} A$
 - ▶ Input assignments (empty justification)
 - ▶ Due to conflict-solving transitions
 - ▶ Boolean except the input first-order assignments of an SMA problem

The CDSAT trail

- ▶ Every assignment has a **level**
- ▶ The level of a **decision** is defined as in CDCL
- ▶ The level of a **justified assignment** is that of its **justification**
- ▶ The level of a **justification** is the maximum among those of its elements
- ▶ The CDSAT trail is not a stack: there may be **late propagations**

The CDSAT transition system

- ▶ **Trail rules:** Decide, Deduce, Fail, ConflictSolve
- ▶ **Conflict state rules:** UndoClear, Resolve, Backjump, UndoDecide
- ▶ Parameter: **global basis:**
 - ▶ A set from which CDSAT can draw **new** terms
 - ▶ **Finite** to ensure termination
 - ▶ Depends on the input and is fixed throughout a CDSAT derivation

Trail rules

- ▶ Apply to the trail Γ
- ▶ **Decide**: adds an **acceptable** assignment
- ▶ **Deduce**: adds L with justification J if $J \vdash_{\mathcal{I}_k} L$
- ▶ **Conflict**: $J \vdash_{\mathcal{I}_k} L$ and \bar{L} is on the trail
 $J \cup \{\bar{L}\}$ is the **conflict**
- ▶ **Fail**: declares unsatisfiability if the level of the conflict is 0
- ▶ **ConflictSolve**: solves a conflict of level > 0 by calling the **conflict state rules**

Conflict state rules

- ▶ Apply to trail and conflict: $\langle \Gamma, H \rangle$ with $H \subseteq \Gamma$
- ▶ If $H = E \uplus \{A\}$ and $level(A) = m$ is greater than $level(E)$:
 - ▶ **UndoClear**: A is a first-order decision
remove A and all assignments of level $\geq m$
(i.e., backjump to $m - 1$)
 - ▶ **Backjump**: A is a Boolean L
backjump to $level(E)$ and add \bar{L} with justification E
if $E \uplus \{L\} \vdash \perp$ then $E \vdash \bar{L}$

Example of UndoClear

$\Gamma = -2x - y < 0, x + y < 0, x < -1$ (level 0)

1. Decide $y \leftarrow 0$ (level 1)
2. Deduce $-y < -2$ from $-2x - y < 0$ and $x < -1$ (level 0)
3. Conflict is $\{y \leftarrow 0, -y < -2\}$
4. UndoClear removes $y \leftarrow 0$ resulting in
 $\Gamma = -2x - y < 0, x + y < 0, x < -1, -y < -2$ (level 0)
5. $-y < -2$ is a late propagation

Example of Backjump

$\Gamma = f(\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j)) \simeq w, f(u) \simeq w - 2, i \simeq j, u \simeq v$
(level 0)

- ▶ **Decide:** $u \leftarrow c$ (level 1) $v \leftarrow c$ (level 2)
- ▶ **Decide:** $\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j) \leftarrow c$ (level 3) $w \leftarrow 0$ (level 4)
- ▶ **Decide:** $f(\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j)) \leftarrow 0$ (level 5)
 $f(u) \leftarrow -2$ (level 6)
- ▶ **Deduce:** $u \simeq \text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j)$ (level 3)
 $f(u) \not\simeq f(\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j))$ (level 6)
- ▶ **Conflict:** the last two yield \perp in \mathcal{I}_{EUF}
- ▶ **Backjumps** to level 3 and adds
 $f(u) \simeq f(\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j))$ with
 $u \simeq \text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j)$ as justification

Conflict state rules

- ▶ Apply to trail and conflict: $\langle \Gamma, H \rangle$ with $H \subseteq \Gamma$
- ▶ If $H = E \uplus \{A\}$ and A has justification J
Resolve transforms H into $E \uplus \{J\}$, provided J does not contain a first-order decision A' of the same level as H to avoid looping with an UndoClear-Decide-Deduce sequence
- ▶ If $H = E \uplus \{L\}$, L is Boolean (no **UndoClear**), $level(L) = level(E)$ (no **Backjump**), and L has justification J that contains such an A' (no **Resolve**)
UndoDecide undoes A' and decides \bar{L}

Example of Resolve

$\Gamma = f(\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j)) \simeq w, \quad f(u) \simeq w - 2, \quad i \simeq j, \quad u \simeq v$
(level 0)

$u \leftarrow c$ (level 1)

$v \leftarrow c$ (level 2)

$\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j) \leftarrow c$ (level 3)

$u \simeq \text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j)$ (level 3)

$f(u) \simeq f(\text{select}(\text{store}(a, i, v), j))$ (level 3)

- ▶ **Deduce:** $f(u) \simeq w$ (level 3)
 $w - 2 \simeq w$ (level 3)
both by transitivity of equality
- ▶ **Conflict:** $w - 2 \simeq w$ yields \perp in \mathcal{I}_{LRA}
- ▶ **Resolve:** $f(u) \simeq w, f(u) \simeq w - 2$

Example of UndoDecide

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

- ▶ **Decide:** $x \leftarrow 0$ (level 1)
- ▶ **Deduce:** $(x > 1) \leftarrow false$ (level 1)
 $(x < -1) \leftarrow false$ (level 1)
 $y < 0$ (level 1)
 $y > 0$ (level 1)
- ▶ **Conflict:** $0 < 0$
- ▶ **Resolve:** $\{y < 0, y > 0\}$
 $\{x > 1 \vee y < 0, x < -1 \vee y > 0, x > 1 \leftarrow false,$
 $x < -1 \leftarrow false\}$

Example of UndoDecide (continued)

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

- ▶ **UndoDecide:** $x > 1$ (level 1)
- ▶ **Decide:** $x \leftarrow 2$ (level 2)
- ▶ **Deduce:** $(x < -1) \leftarrow false$ (level 2)
 $y > 0$ (level 2)
- ▶ **Decide:** $y \leftarrow 1$ (level 3)
- ▶ **Deduce:** $(y < 0) \leftarrow false$ (level 3)
- ▶ Satisfiable

Three main theorems

- ▶ **Soundness**: if CDSAT returns unsatisfiable, there is no model
- ▶ **Termination**: CDSAT is guaranteed to terminate if the global basis is finite
- ▶ **Completeness**: if CDSAT terminates without returning unsatisfiable, there is a model

Current work

- ▶ Lemma learning
- ▶ Proof generation
- ▶ Completeness of the theory modules
- ▶ Construction of a global basis from local bases at the combined theories
 - ▶ Size of the global basis as a function of the sizes of the local bases

Current and future work

- ▶ CDSAT in C++: forthcoming SMT solver **Eos**
(by Giulio Mazzi at U. Verona)
- ▶ Heuristic strategies to make decisions and prioritize theory inferences
- ▶ Efficient techniques to detect the applicability of theory inference rules and the acceptability of assignments
- ▶ More theory modules (e.g., real arithmetic from NLSAT [Jovanović, de Moura: IJCAR 2012])
- ▶ Complexity of a combination given the complexities of the theory procedures

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