#### **Computer-Aided Reasoning for Software**

# **Combining Theories**

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## Today

#### Last lecture

 A survey of theory solvers and deciding T= with congruence closure

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• Deciding a combination of theories

## **Recall: Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT)**



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$$x = I \land 2 = x + y \land f(x) \neq f(y)$$

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| $I \leq X \land$                      | $f(x) \neq f(z_1) \land$ |  |  |
| $x \leq 2 \wedge$                     | $f(x) \neq f(z_2)$       |  |  |
| $z_1 = I \land$                       |                          |  |  |
| $z_2 = 2$                             |                          |  |  |
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If T is non-convex, it may imply a disjunction of equalities without implying any single equality.

We have to propagate disjunctions as well as individual equalities. Which disjunctions? How do we propagate disjunctions to theory solvers which reason only about conjunctions?

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Propagate a *minimal* disjunction.

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| ۲Z                                    | Δ=                       |  |  |

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| $z_1 = I \land$                       |                          |  |  |
| $z_2 = 2$                             |                          |  |  |
| $(x=z_1 \lor x=z_2) \land$            |                          |  |  |
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| I ≤ x ∧<br>f(x) ≠ f(I) /                                           | x ≤ 2 ∧<br>∧ f(x) ≠ f(2)                    | ا :<br>x :<br>Z۱<br>Z2 | ≤ x ∧<br>≤ 2 ∧<br>= I ∧<br>= 2 | $f(x) \neq f(z_1) \land$ $f(x) \neq f(z_2)$ |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| $I \le x \land$<br>$x \le 2 \land$<br>$z_1 = I \land$<br>$z_2 = 2$ | $f(x) \neq f(z_1) \land$ $f(x) \neq f(z_2)$ | x :                    | $\frac{z}{x} = z_1$            | $x = z_1 \land$<br>UNSAT                    |
| $(x=z_1 \lor x=z_2) \land$                                         |                                             |                        |                                |                                             |
| Σz                                                                 | Σ=                                          |                        |                                |                                             |

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| $(x=z_1 \lor x=z_2) \land \Sigma_Z$                                | Σ=                                       | $I \le x \land$<br>$x \le 2 \land$<br>$z_1 = I \land$<br>$z_2 = 2$ | $f(x) \neq f(z_1) \land$ $f(x) \neq f(z_2)$ |
|                                                                    |                                          | $x = z_2$                                                          | $x = z_2 \land$<br>UNSAT                    |

## Soundness and completeness of Nelson-Oppen

If the theories  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  satisfy Nelson-Open restrictions, then the combination procedure returns UNSAT for a formula F in  $T_1 \cup T_2$  iff F is unsatisfiable modulo  $T_1 \cup T_2$ .

## **Complexity of Nelson-Oppen**

If decision procedures for convex theories  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have polynomial time complexity, so does their Nelson-Oppen combination.

If decision procedures for non-convex theories  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have NP time complexity, so does their Nelson-Oppen combination.

## Summary

#### Today

- Sound and complete procedure for a combination of restricted theories
- Stably infinite, conjunctive, quantifier-free with signatures that are disjoint except for =

#### Next lecture

 Deciding satisfiability of arbitrary boolean combinations of quantifier-free first-order formulas