## Combining Theories

## 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)



## Combining theories with Nelson-Oppen



> We'll see how to combine two theories. Easy to generalize to n .

The combination problem is undecidable for arbitrary (decidable) theories. It becomes decidable under Nelson-Oppen restrictions.

## Nelson-Oppen restrictions

## $T_{1}$ and $T_{2}$ can be combined when

- Both are decidable, quantifier-free conjunctive fragments
- Equality ( $=$ ) is the only interpreted symbol in the intersection of their signatures: $\Sigma_{1} \cap \Sigma_{2}=\{=\}$
- Both are stably infinite

A theory $T$ is stably infinite if for every satisfiable $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathrm{T}}$-formula F , there is a T model that satisfies $F$ and that has a universe of infinite cardinality.

## Examples of (non-)stably infinite theories

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\begin{aligned}
& \Sigma_{\mathrm{T}}:\{\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{~b},=\} \\
& \mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{T}}: \quad \forall \mathrm{x} \cdot \mathrm{x}=\mathrm{a} \vee \mathrm{x}=\mathrm{b}
\end{aligned}
$$



## Overview of Nelson-Oppen

$\left(\Sigma_{1} \cup \Sigma_{2}\right)$-formula $F$

## Purification

$\Sigma_{1}$-formula $F_{1}$

$\Sigma_{2}$-formula $F_{2}$

Equality Propagation


## Overview of purification

Transforms a $\left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{1} \cup \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{2}\right)$-formula $\mathbf{F}$ into an equisatisfiable formula $F_{1} \wedge F_{2}$ with $F_{1}$ in $T_{1}$ and $F_{2}$ in $T_{2}$

Repeat until fix point:

- If $f$ is in $T_{i}$ and $t$ is not, and $u$ is fresh: $\mathrm{F}[f(\ldots, \mathrm{t}, \ldots)] \rightarrow \mathrm{F}[\mathrm{f}(\ldots, \mathrm{u}, \ldots)] \wedge \mathrm{u}=\mathrm{t}$
- If $p$ is in $T_{i}$ and $t$ is not, and $v$ is fresh: $\mathrm{F}[p(\ldots, \mathrm{t}, \ldots)] \rightarrow \mathrm{F}[\mathrm{p}(\ldots, \mathrm{v}, \ldots)] \wedge \mathrm{v}=\mathrm{t}$

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x \leqslant f(x)+1
$$



## Another purification example

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f\left(x+u_{1}\right) \leqslant u_{2}+u_{3}
$$



## Purification

$\Sigma_{\mathrm{R}} \quad \Sigma=$
$u_{1}=g(y)$
$u_{2}=g(a)$
$u_{3}=f(b)$

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f\left(u_{4}\right) \leqslant u_{2}+u_{3}
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## Purification



## Shared and local constants

A constant is shared if it occurs in both $F_{1}$ and $F_{2}$, and it is local otherwise.

## Purification



Shared: $\left\{u_{1}, u_{2}, u_{3}, u_{4}, u_{5}\right\}$
Local: $\quad\{x, y, a, b\}$

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{u}_{4}=\mathrm{x}+\mathrm{u}_{1} \\
& \mathrm{u}_{5} \leqslant \mathrm{u}_{2}+\mathrm{u}_{3}
\end{aligned}
$$

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{u}_{1}=\mathrm{g}(\mathrm{y}) \\
& \mathrm{u}_{2}=\mathrm{g}(\mathrm{a}) \\
& \mathrm{u}_{3}=\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{~b}) \\
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Equality Propagation

- Convex theories
- Non-convex theories


## Convex theories

A theory T is convex if for every conjunctive formula $F$, the following holds:

If $F \Rightarrow x_{1}=y_{1} \vee \ldots \vee x_{n}=y_{n}$ for a finite $n>I$, then $F \Rightarrow x_{i}=y_{i}$ for some $i \in\{1, \ldots, n\}$.

If F implies a disjunction of equalities, then it also implies at least one of the equalities.

## Examples of (non-)convex theories



Equality and uninterpreted functions ( $\mathrm{T}=$ )

Linear real arithmetic ( $T_{R}$ )

## Nelson-Oppen for convex theories

Nelson-Oppen-Convex(F)
I. Purify $F$ into $F_{1} \wedge F_{2}$
2. Run $T_{1}$-solver on $F_{1}$ and $T_{2}$-solver on $F_{2}$ and return UNSAT if either is unsatisfiable
3. If there are shared constants $x$ and $y$ such that $F_{i} \Rightarrow x=y$ but $F_{j}$ does not
I. $F_{j} \leftarrow F_{j} \wedge x=y$
2. Go to step 2.
4. Return SAT

Is $F$ satisfiable if both $F_{1}$ and $F_{2}$ are satisfiable?

No: $x=I \wedge 2=x+y \wedge f(x) \neq f(y)$

## Nelson-Oppen for convex theories: example

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| $\begin{gathered} f(f(x)-f(y)) \neq f(z) \wedge x \leq y \wedge \\ y+z \leq x \wedge 0 \leq z \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & x \leq y \wedge \\ & y+z \leq x \wedge 0 \\ & \leq z \wedge \\ & w=u-v \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & f(w) \neq f(z) \wedge \\ & u=f(x) \wedge \\ & v=f(y) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & x=y \wedge \\ & u=v \wedge \\ & w=z \wedge \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & x=y \wedge \\ & u=v \wedge \\ & w=z \wedge \\ & \text { UNSAT } \end{aligned}$ |
| $\Sigma_{R}$ |  |

## This doesn't work for non-convex theories

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| $\text { X } \begin{gathered} 1 \leq x \wedge x \leq 2 \wedge \\ f(x) \neq f(1) \wedge f(x) \neq f(2) \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{I} \leq \mathrm{x} \wedge \\ & \mathrm{x} \leq 2 \wedge \\ & \mathrm{z}_{1}=1 \wedge \\ & \mathrm{z}_{2}=2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & f(x) \neq f\left(z_{1}\right) \wedge \\ & f(x) \neq f\left(z_{2}\right) \end{aligned}$ |
| SAT | SAT |
| $\Sigma z$ |  |

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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?

## Nelson-Oppen for non-convex theories

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2. Go to step 2.
4. If $F_{i} \Rightarrow x_{1}=y_{\mid} \vee \ldots \vee x_{n}=y_{n}$ but $F_{j}$ does not, then if Nelson-OpPEN ( $F_{\mathrm{i}} \wedge \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{j}} \wedge \mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{k}}=y_{\mathrm{k}}$ ) outputs SAT for any $k$, return SAT. Otherwise, return UNSAT.
5. Return SAT

Propagate a minimal disjunction.

## Nelson-Oppen for non-convex theories: example

| $\begin{gathered} I \leq x \wedge x \leq 2 \wedge \\ f(x) \neq f(I) \wedge f(x) \neq f(2) \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1 \leq x \wedge$ | $\left.f(\mathrm{x}) \neq \mathrm{f}(\mathrm{z})^{\prime}\right) \wedge$ |
| $x \leq 2 \wedge$ | $f(x) \neq f\left(z_{2}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{z}_{1}=1 \wedge$ |  |
| $\mathrm{z}_{2}=2$ |  |
| $\left(\mathrm{x}=\mathrm{z}_{1} \vee \mathrm{x}=\mathrm{z}_{2}\right) \wedge$ |  |
| $\Sigma_{z}$ |  |


| $1 \leq x \wedge$ | $f(x) \neq f\left(z_{I}\right) \wedge$ |
| :---: | :---: |
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| $z_{1}=1 \wedge$ |  |
| $\mathrm{z}_{2}=2$ |  |
| $x=z_{1}$ | $x=z_{1} \wedge$ |
|  | UNSAT |
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## 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 NelsonOppen 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

