## Constraint Logic Programming

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## Full abstraction

#### Theorem 1 ([JL87popl])

 $T_{P}^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega = O_{gs}(P)$ 

 $T_{P}^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega \subset O_{as}(P)$  is proved by induction on the powers *n* of  $T_{P}^{\mathcal{X}}$ . n = 0, i.e.,  $\emptyset$ , is trivial. Let  $A_{\rho} \in T_{\rho}^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow n$ , there exists a rule  $(A \leftarrow c | A_1, \dots, A_n) \in P$ , s.t.  $\{A_1 \rho, \dots, A_n \rho\} \subset T_P^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow n - 1$  and  $\mathcal{X} \models c \rho$ . By induction  $\{A_1\rho, \ldots, A_n\rho\} \subset O_{as}(P)$ . By definition of  $O_{as}$  and  $\wedge$ -compositionality. we get  $A\rho \in O_{as}(P)$ .  $O_{as}(P) \subset T_P^{\chi} \uparrow \omega$  is proved by induction on the length of derivations. Successes with derivation of length 0 are ground facts in  $T_{P}^{\chi} \uparrow 1$ . Let  $A\rho \in O_{as}(P)$  with a derivation of length *n*. By definition of  $O_{as}$ there exists  $(A \leftarrow c | A_1, \ldots, A_n) \in P$  s.t.  $\{A_1 \rho, \ldots, A_n \rho\} \subset O_{as}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{X} \models c\rho$ . By induction  $\{A_1\rho, \ldots, A_n\rho\} \subset T_{\rho}^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega$ . Hence by definition of  $T_{P}^{\mathcal{X}}$  we get  $A\rho \in T_{P}^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega$ .

## $T_P^{\mathcal{X}}$ and $\mathcal{X}$ -models

#### Proposition 2

I is a  $\mathcal{X}$ -model of P iff I is a post-fixed point of  $T_P^{\mathcal{X}}$ ,  $T_P^{\mathcal{X}}(I) \subset I$ 

#### Proof.

*I* is a  $\mathcal{X}$ -model of *P*, iff for each clause  $A \leftarrow c | A_1, \dots, A_n \in P$  and for each  $\mathcal{X}$ -valuation  $\rho$ , if  $\mathcal{X} \models c\rho$  and  $\{A_1\rho, \dots, A_n\rho\} \subset I$  then  $A\rho \in I$ , iff  $T_{\rho}^{\mathcal{X}}(I) \subset I$ 

## $T_P^{\mathcal{X}}$ and $\mathcal{X}$ -models

## Theorem 3 (Least *X*-model [JL87popl])

Let P be a constraint logic program on  $\mathcal{X}$ . P has a least  $\mathcal{X}$ -model, denoted by  $M_P^{\mathcal{X}}$  satisfying:

$$M_P^{\mathcal{X}} = T_P^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega$$

#### Proof.

 $T_P^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega = lfp(T_P^{\mathcal{X}})$  is also the least post-fixed point of  $T_P^{\mathcal{X}}$ , thus by Prop. 2,  $lfp(T_P^{\mathcal{X}})$  is the least  $\mathcal{X}$ -model of P.

## Relating $S_P^{\chi}$ and $T_P^{\chi}$ operators

## Theorem 4 ([JL87popl])

For every ordinal  $\alpha$ ,  $T_P^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \alpha = [S_P^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \alpha]_{\mathcal{X}}$ 

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## Full abstraction w.r.t. computed answers

Theorem 5 (Theorem of full abstraction [GL91iclp])

 $O_{\mathit{Ca}}(\mathit{P}) = \mathit{S}_{\mathit{P}}^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega$ 

 $S_{P}^{\chi} \uparrow \omega \subset O_{Ca}(P)$  is proved by induction on the powers n of  $S_{P}^{\chi}$ . n = 0is trivial. Let  $c|A \in S_P^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow n$ , there exists a rule  $(A \leftarrow d|A_1, \dots, A_n) \in P$ , s.t.  $\{c_1|A_1,\ldots,c_n|A_n\} \subset S_P^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow n-1, c = d \land \bigwedge_{i=1}^n c_i \text{ and } \mathcal{X} \models \exists c.$  By induction  $\{c_1|A_1,\ldots,c_n|A_n\} \subset O_{ca}(P)$ . By definition of  $O_{ca}$  we get  $c|A \in O_{ca}(P)$ .  $O_{ca}(P) \subset S_{P}^{\chi} \uparrow \omega$  is proved by induction on the length of derivations. Successes with derivation of length 0 are facts in  $S_{P}^{\chi} \uparrow 1$ . Let  $c|A \in O_{ca}(P)$  with a derivation of length n. By definition of  $O_{ca}$  there exists  $(A \leftarrow d|A_1, \dots, A_n) \in P$  s.t.  $\{c_1|A_1, \dots, c_n|A_n\} \subset O_{ca}(P)$ ,  $c = d \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^{n} c_i$  and  $\mathcal{X} \models \exists c$ . By induction  $\{c_1 | A_1, \ldots, c_n | A_n\} \subset S_P^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega$ . Hence by definition of  $S_{P}^{\mathcal{X}}$  we get  $c|A \in S_{P}^{\mathcal{X}} \uparrow \omega$ .

Constraint-based Model Checking [DP99tacas] Analysis of unbounded states concurrent systems by CLP programs.

Concurrent transition systems defined by condition-action rules [Shankar93acm]:

condition  $\phi(\vec{x})$  action  $\vec{x}' = \psi(\vec{x})$ 

Translation into CLP clauses over one predicate p (for states)

 $p(\vec{x}) \leftarrow \phi(\vec{x}), \ \psi(\vec{x}', \vec{x}), \ p(\vec{x}').$ 

The transitions of the concurrent system are in one-to-one correspondance to the CSLD derivations of the CLP program.

#### Proposition 6

The set of states from which a set of states defined by a constraint c is reachable is the set  $lfp(T_P)$  where P is the CLP program plus the clause  $p(\vec{x}) \leftarrow c(\vec{x})$ .

## Computation Tree Logic CTL

Temporal logic for branching time:

- States described by propositional or first-order formulas
- Two path quantifiers for non-determinism:
  - A "for all paths"
  - E "for some path"
- Several temporal operators:
  - X "next time",
  - F "eventually",
  - G "always",
  - U "until".



## Model Checking

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Two types of interesting properties:

AG\neg\phi "Safety" property.

AF\psi "Liveness" property.
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Duality: for any formula \phi we have EF\phi = \neg AG\neg\phi and EG\phi = \neg AF\neg\phi.
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Model checking is an algorithm for computing, in a given Kripke structure K = (S, I, R),  $I \subset S, R \subset S \times S$  (S is the set of states, I the initial states and R the transition relation), the set of states which satisfy a given CTL formula  $\phi$ , i.e., the set  $\{s \in S | K, s \models \phi\}$ .

## (Symbolic) Model Checking

Basic algorithm

When *S* is finite, represent *K* as a graph, and iteratively label the nodes with the subformulas of  $\phi$  which are true in that node.

Add *A* to the states satisfying *A* ( $\neg$ *A*, *A*  $\land$  *B*,...)

Add *EF* $\phi$  (*EX* $\phi$ ) to the (immediate) predecessors of states labeled by  $\phi$ 

Add  $E(\phi U\psi)$  to the predecessor states of  $\psi$  while they satisfy  $\phi$ 

Add  $EG\phi$  to the states for which there exists a path leading to a non trivial strongly connected components of the subgraph restricted to the states satisfying  $\phi$ 

## Symbolic model checking

Use OBDD's to represent states and transitions as boolean formulas (*S* is finite).

## Constraint-based Model Checking

Constraint-based model checking [DP99tacas] applies to Kripke structures with an infinite set of states. Numerical constraints provide a finite representation for an infinite set of states.

Constraint logic programming theory:

$$EF(\phi) = Ifp(T_{R \cup \{p(\vec{x}) \leftarrow \phi\}})$$
$$EG(\phi) = gfp(T_{R \land \phi})$$

Prototype implementation *DMC* in Sicstus Prolog + Simplex, CLP(H, FD, R, B)

## Part IV Logical Semantics

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## Logical Semantics of $CLP(\mathcal{X})$ Programs

Proper logical semantics

(1)  $P, \mathcal{T} \models \exists (G)$  (4)  $P, \mathcal{T} \models C \supset G$ ,

Logical semantics in a fixed pre-interpretation

(2) 
$$P \models_{\mathcal{X}} \exists (G)$$
 (5)  $P \models_{\mathcal{X}} C \supset G$ ,

• Algebraic semantics

(3) 
$$M_P^{\mathcal{X}} \models \exists (G)$$
 (6)  $M_P^{\mathcal{X}} \models c \supset G$ .

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Let  $c_{\rho}$  be the conjunction of  $c_{j,\rho}$  for all j.  $c_{\rho}$  is a computed answer for G.

By taking the collection of  $c_{\rho}$  for all  $\rho$  we get  $\mathcal{X} \models \forall (c \supset \bigvee_{c_{\rho}} \exists Y_{\rho} c_{\rho})$ 

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To show i(i(x)) = x by refutation,

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depth 2
yes
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| ?- solve(p(a,e,a)).
depth 4
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| ?- solve(s(e)).
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| ?- solve(s(i(a))).
depth 5
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## Higher-order theorem proving in $CLP(\lambda)$

Church's simply typed  $\lambda$ -calculus  $t ::= v \mid t_1 \rightarrow t_2$  $e: t ::= x: t \mid (\lambda x: t_1.e: t_2): t_1 \rightarrow t_2 \mid (e_1: t_1 \rightarrow t_2(e_2: t_1)): t_2$ 

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$$\mathbf{e}_1 =_{\alpha,\beta} \mathbf{e}_2 \text{ iff } \downarrow_{\beta} \mathbf{e}_1 =_{\alpha} \downarrow_{\beta} \mathbf{e}_2.$$

Equality is decidable, but not unification...

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We have  $h(n(F)) \neq F \longrightarrow^{\sigma_1} (h(n(F)))(I) \neq F(I) \longrightarrow^{\sigma_2} \square$ where the unifier  $\sigma_2 = \{G = h(I) \ I, \ I = n(F), \ F = \lambda i.s(h(i) \ i), \ H = F\}$  is Cantor's diagonal argument!

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A derivation CSLD is fair if every atom which appears in a goal of the derivation is selected after a finite number of resolution steps.

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# Logical semantics of finite failure?

Horn clauses entail no negative information: the Herbrand's base  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{X}}$  is a model.

On the other hand, the complement of the least  $\mathcal{X}$ -model  $M_P^{\mathcal{X}}$  is not recursively enumerable.

Indeed let us suppose the opposite. We could define in Prolog the predicates:

- success (P,B) which succeeds iff  $M_P \models \exists B$ , i.e., if the goal *B* has a successful CSLD derivation with the program *P*
- fail(P,B) which succeeds iff  $M_P \models \neg \exists B$

# Undecidability of $M_P^{\chi}$

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loop:- loop.
contr(P):- success(P,P), loop.
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If contr(contr) has a success, then success(contr,contr) succeeds, and fail(contr,contr) doesn't succeed, hence contr(contr) doesn't succeed: contradiction.

If contr(contr) doesn't succeed, then fail(contr,contr) succeeds, hence contr(contr) succeeds: contradiction.

Therefore programs success and fail cannot both exist.

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# Part V

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## Solving Equality Constraints in $\mathcal{H}$ by Rewriting

Systems of equations  $\Gamma$ :

$$M_1 = N_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge M_n = N_n$$

A system is in solved form if it is of the form

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{M}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{M}_n$$

with  $n \ge 0$  and  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\} \cap (V(M_1) \cup \cdots \cup V(M_n)) = \emptyset$ 

**Proposition 16** 

If  $\Gamma$  is in solved form then  $\mathcal{H} \models \exists (\Gamma)$ 

Idea of the unification algorithm: try to simplify  $\Gamma$  into either a solved form or  $\bot$ 

Dec 
$$f(M_1, ..., M_n) = f(N_1, ..., N_n) \land \Gamma$$
  
 $\rightarrow M_1 = N_1 \land \dots \land M_n = N_n \land \Gamma$ ,  
D $\perp f(M_1, ..., M_n) = g(N_1, ..., N_m) \land \Gamma \rightarrow \bot$  if  $f \neq g$ ,  
Triv  $x = x \land \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma$ ,  
Var  $x = M \land \Gamma \rightarrow x = M \land \Gamma \sigma$   
if  $x \notin V(M), x \in V(\Gamma), \sigma = \{x \leftarrow M\}$ ,  
V $\perp x = M \land \Gamma \rightarrow \bot$   
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Lemma 17 (Validity) If  $\Gamma \longrightarrow \Gamma'$  then  $CET_{\mathcal{H}} \models \Gamma \supset \Gamma'$ 

#### Proof.

Simple application of the axioms for each rule

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An irreducible form is either  $\bot$ , in which case  $\Gamma$  is unsatisfiable, or, by case analysis, a solved form, in which case  $\Gamma$  is satisfiable

Corollary 20 (Completeness of CET)

For any equation system  $\Gamma$ , either  $CET \vdash \exists(\Gamma)$ , or  $CET \vdash \neg \exists(\Gamma)$ 

Corollary 21  $\mathcal{H} \models \exists (\Gamma) \text{ iff } CET \models \exists (\Gamma)$ 

# Fourier's Alg. for Lin. Ineq. Constraints over $\ensuremath{\mathcal{R}}$

Check the satisfiability of a system of linear inequalities  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} a_i x_i + c \le \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_j y_j + d$ Normal forms:  $t \le x$ ,  $x \le t$ , or  $t \le 0$ , where t is linear and  $x \notin V(t)$ 

The normal form of  $s \le t$  w.r.t. x is noted  $\overline{s \le t}^x$ 

• 
$$\Gamma \to \bigwedge_{i=1}^{n} \bigwedge_{j=1}^{m} s_{i} \leq t_{j} \wedge \Gamma'$$
  
if  $\overline{\Gamma}^{x} = \bigwedge_{i=1}^{n} s_{i} \leq x \wedge x \leq \bigwedge_{j=1}^{m} t_{j} \wedge \Gamma'$  where  $x \notin V(\Gamma')$ ,  
•  $s \leq t \wedge \Gamma \to \Gamma$  if  $s, t \in \mathcal{R}$  and  $s \leq t$ ,  
•  $s \leq t \wedge \Gamma \to \bot$  if  $s, t \in \mathcal{R}$  and  $s > t$ 

The rules terminate

Theorem 22

A system of linear inequalities  $\Gamma$  is satisfiable over  ${\cal R}$  iff it reduces to the empty system

#### Constraint Solving by Domain Reduction Simple reasoning on the domain of variables for each constraint independently

"Arc consistency": for each constraint c, for each variable x in c, for each value e of the domain of x, there exists a solution of c with x = e



Example:  $x, y, z \in \{1, 2\}$ System  $x \neq y \land x \neq z \land y \neq z$  arc-consistent

Global constraint all-different([x,y,z])
non arc-consistent



## Domain Reduction over Finite Domains

$$Sol(\Gamma, \mathcal{FD}) = \{ \sigma \mid \sigma = \{ \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{d}} \leftarrow \mathbf{v} \mid \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{d}} \in \mathbf{V}(\Gamma), \ \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{d} \}, \ \mathcal{FD} \models \Gamma\sigma \}$$

The reduced domain of a variable  $x^d$  w.r.t. a basic constraint c is the domain

$$DR(x^d, c) = \{ v \in d \mid \mathcal{FD} \models \exists (c[v/x^d]) \}$$

A constraint system  $\Gamma$  is arc-consistent if

$$\forall c \in \Gamma \ \forall x^d \in V(c) \ DR(x^d, c) = d$$

Idea of constraint propagation: reduce the domain of variables independently to make the system arc-consistent

Example  $a * X \ge b * Y + d$ 

Simple interval reasoning:

$$aX^{[k,l]} \ge bY^{[m,n]} + d$$
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we have

$$DR(X^{[k,l]},c) = [max(k,k'),l]$$
$$DR(Y^{[m,n]},c) = [m,min(n,n')]$$
where  $k' = \lceil \frac{bm+d}{a} \rceil$  and  $n' = \lfloor \frac{al-d}{b} \rfloor$ 

## **Domain Reduction Algorithm**

**Fail:**  $c \wedge \Gamma \rightarrow \bot$  if  $x^d \in V(c)$  and  $DR(x^d, c) = \emptyset$ .

**FC:**  $c \wedge \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma \sigma$ if  $V(c) = \{x^d\}$ ,  $d' = DR(x^d, c)$ ,  $d' \neq \emptyset$ , and  $\sigma = \{x^d \leftarrow y^{d'}\}$ 

$$\begin{array}{l} \textbf{LA: } \boldsymbol{c} \wedge \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \rightarrow \boldsymbol{c} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \wedge \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \\ \text{if } |\boldsymbol{V}(\boldsymbol{c})| > 1, \\ \boldsymbol{x}^{\boldsymbol{d}} \in \boldsymbol{V}(\boldsymbol{c}), \ \boldsymbol{d}' = \boldsymbol{D} \boldsymbol{R}(\boldsymbol{x}^{\boldsymbol{d}}, \boldsymbol{c}), \boldsymbol{d}' \neq \emptyset, \boldsymbol{d}' \neq \boldsymbol{d}, \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \{ \boldsymbol{x}^{\boldsymbol{d}} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{y}^{\boldsymbol{d}'} \} \end{array}$$

**PLA:**  $c \wedge \Gamma \rightarrow c\sigma \wedge \Gamma\sigma$ if |V(c)| > 1,  $x^d \in V(c)$ ,  $DR(x^d, c) \subset d' \subsetneq d$ ,  $d' \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\sigma = \{x^d \leftarrow y^{d'}\}$ 

**EL**:  $c \land \Gamma \to \Gamma$ if  $\mathcal{FD} \models c\sigma$  for every valuation  $\sigma$  of the variables in c by values of their domain

# Domain Reduction Algorithm (continued)

#### Lemma 23 (Validity)

If 
$$\Gamma \longrightarrow_{\sigma}^{*} \Gamma'$$
 then  $Sol(\Gamma, \mathcal{FD}) = \{\sigma \theta \mid \theta \in Sol(\Gamma', \mathcal{FD})\}.$ 

#### Proposition 24 (Completeness of LA for 2 var. ineq.)

Let  $\Gamma$  be a constraint system of the form

$$aX \ge bY + d$$
  $a, b > 0, d \ge 0.$ 

Let  $\Gamma \longrightarrow_{\sigma}^{*} \Gamma' \not\rightarrow$  Then  $\Gamma$  is satisfiable if and only if  $\Gamma' \neq \bot$ 

#### Proof.

If  $\Gamma' \neq \bot$  is an irreducible form of  $\Gamma$  then for all  $c \in \Gamma'$  and  $x \in V(c)$  we have  $DR(x^d, c) = d$  and  $\{x^{[k,l]} \leftarrow k \mid x \in V(\Gamma')\}$  is a solution of  $\Gamma'$ 

# $CLP(\mathcal{FD})$ scheduling

#### Simple PERT problem

#### Disjunctive scheduling is NP-hard

# Disjunctive scheduling: bridge problem (4000 nodes)

