

EXERCISE #32

BOOLEAN SATISFIABILITY REVIEW

Write your name and answer the following on a piece of paper

Apply the pure literal elimination technique to the following Boolean expression until no pure literals remain

$$(a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c) \wedge (\neg b \vee \neg c) \wedge (\neg d \vee \neg c) \wedge (\neg d \vee \neg b) \wedge (c)$$

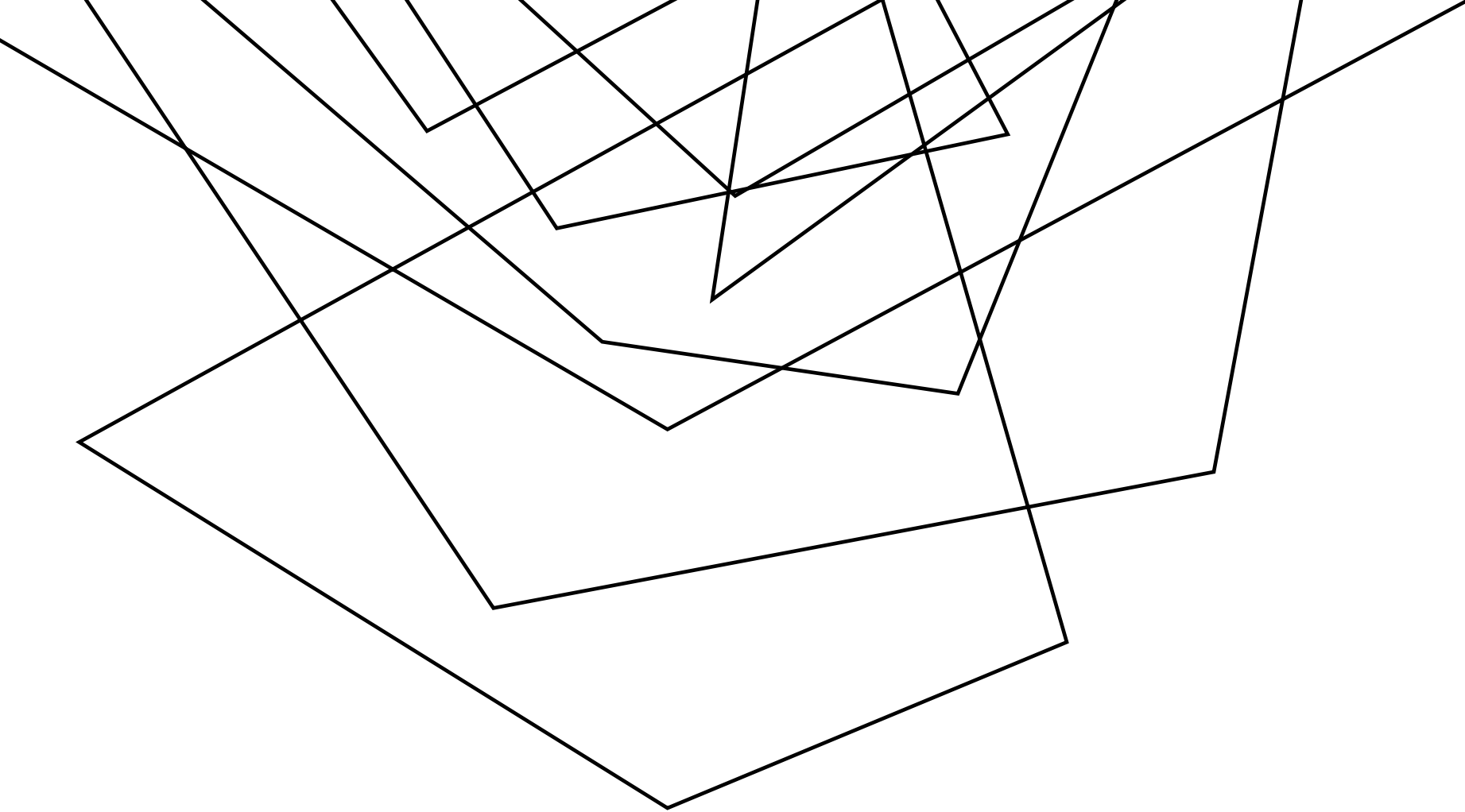


Quiz 3



In-class Friday

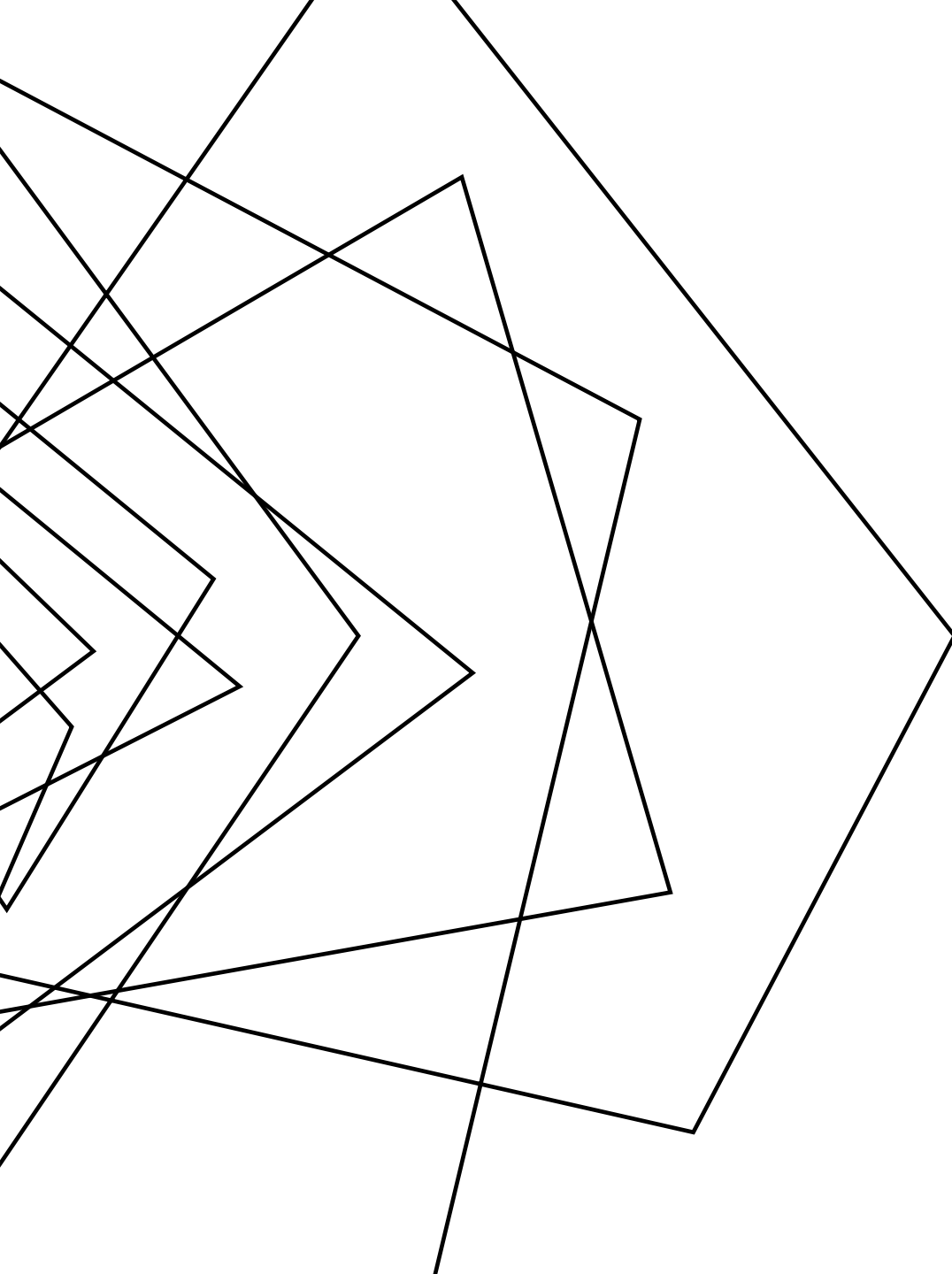
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SMT SOLVING

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WHERE WE'RE AT

TOOLS / TECHNIQUES UNDERLYING
SYMBOLIC EXECUTION

PREVIOUSLY : SATISFIABILITY

OUTLINE / OVERVIEW

THE MAGIC THAT MADE SYMBOLIC
EXECUTION WORK WAS THE SOLVER

A COMPUTATIONALLY HARD PROBLEM

Famously NP-complete (the progenitor of that
complexity class!)

Obvious exponential loose upper bound (brute
force)



THIS LECTURE

SMT SOLVING

SATISFIABILITY BEYOND SIMPLE BOOLEAN EXPRESSIONS

Gets us (closer) to the real programs that we want to analyze

KEY PRINCIPLES

Individual theory solvers

Formulating constraints modularize a concern to a theory



THEORY SOLVERS

SMT SOLVING

SOME EXAMPLE THEORIES

Theory of linear integer arithmetic

Theory of bitvectors

Theory of arrays

Theory of strings

Theory of equality on uninterpreted (mathematical) functions

EUF



Often possible (+ convenient / necessary) to abstract away the actual behavior of a function



THEORY SIGNATURES

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The set of (non-logical) symbols and their meanings defined by that theory

Example: Theory of linear integer arithmetic:
 $(0, 1, +, -, \leq)$ interpreted over \mathbb{Z}

Once we have a set of signatures, we'll try to get our formula (i.e. path constraint) to separate concerns into theories

A collection of handwritten signatures in various styles, including 'Victor', 'Candice', 'Widom', 'Langford', 'Emre', 'Penny', 'Adlene', 'Humbert', etc.

SEPARATING CONCERNS

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Note: we will only deal with constraints in Quantifier-Free First-Order Logic

Goal: break down the constraint system to match our core (logical) theory at the top level, with individual clauses potentially in our theory signatures

Logical symbols

- Parentheses: (,)
- Propositional connectives: \vee , \wedge , \neg , \rightarrow , \leftrightarrow
- Variables: v_1 , v_2 , . . .
- ~~Quantifiers: \forall , \exists~~

Non-logical symbols

- Equality: =
- Functions: +, -, %, bit-wise &, f(), concat, ...
- Predicates: \Leftarrow is_substring, ...
- Constant symbols: 0, 1.0, null`

EXAMPLE

SMT SOLVING

$$f(f(x) - f(y)) = a$$

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$$f(0) = a + 2$$

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$$x = y$$

EXAMPLE

SMT SOLVING

Step 1: Nelson-Oppen procedure to separate theories

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$$f(e_1) = a$$

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SMT SOLVING

$$f(e_1) = a$$

Theory of EUF

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$$e_1 = e_2 - e_3$$

Theory of integer arithmetic

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Some EUF Axioms

Congruence:

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

Symmetry

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Transitivity:

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

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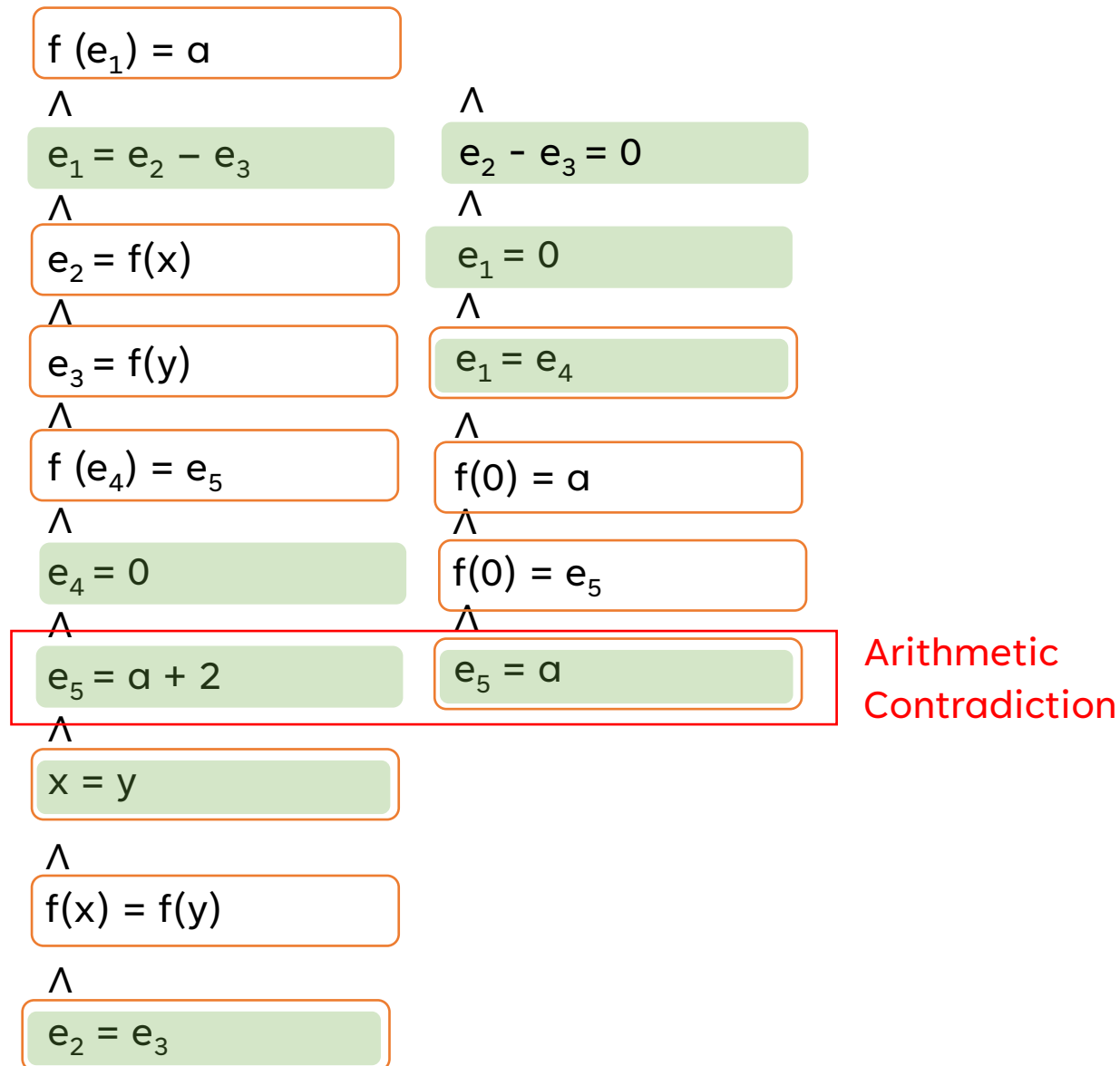
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Case split!

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“CONVENIENT” EQUALITIES

SMT SOLVING

$$x \geq 0 \wedge y = x + 1 \wedge (y > 2 \vee y < 1)$$

Abstract all non-logical clauses

$$p1 \wedge p2 \wedge (p3 \vee p4)$$

DPLL

p1:true

p2:true

p3:false

p4: true

Linear Solver: contradiction!

Add information and start over

$$p1 \wedge p2 \wedge (p3 \vee p4) \wedge (\neg p1 \vee \neg p2 \vee \neg p3)$$

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ARITHMETIC CONSTRAINTS

SMT SOLVING

We kinda danced around how the arithmetic solver works

Basic answer: Linear Algebra.

Also, something something Linear Optimization and the simplex algorithm

WRAP-UP

SMT SOLVERS

HOPEFULLY I'VE CONVINCED YOU THAT SOLVERS CAN BE IMPLEMENTED

Not strictly magic, but they do employ some very clever techniques