

Manthan: A Data-Driven Approach for Boolean Functional Synthesis

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Boolean Functional Synthesis

- **Given:** A Boolean relation $F(X, Y)$, with inputs $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, and outputs $Y = \{y_1, \dots, y_m\}$
- **Problem:** Synthesise a function vector $\Psi = \langle \psi_1 \dots \psi_m \rangle$, where ψ_i is a function for variable y_i , $y_i = \psi_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ such that

$$\exists Y F(X, Y) \equiv F(X, \Psi(X))$$

- Each ψ_i is called Skolem function, and Ψ is called Skolem function vector.

Skolem Function: Example

Let $X = \{x_1, x_2\}$ and $Y = \{y_1\}$

$F(X, Y) : x_1 \vee x_2 \vee y_1$

Skolem functions:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x_1 \vee x_2 \vee y_1 & \longrightarrow & \neg(x_1 \vee x_2) \rightarrow y_1 \\ & & \downarrow \\ & & \psi_1(x_1, x_2) = \neg(x_1 \vee x_2) \end{array}$$

$F(X, \Psi(X)) = x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \neg(x_1 \vee x_2)$


Skolem Function: Example

Let $X = \{x_1, x_2\}$ and $Y = \{y_1\}$ and $F(x_1, x_2, y_1) : x_1 \vee x_2 \vee y_1$

Possible Skolem function: $\psi_1(X) = \neg(x_1 \vee x_2)$

$$F(X, \Psi(X)) = x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \neg(x_1 \vee x_2)$$

X	$\exists Y F(X, Y)$		$F(X, \Psi(X))$
$x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0$	$y_1 = 1$	True	True
$x_1 = 0, x_2 = 1$	$y_1 = 1$	True	True
$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0$	$y_1 = 1$	True	True
$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 1$	$y_1 = 1$	True	True


 $\exists Y F(X, Y) \equiv F(X, \Psi(X))$

Skolem Function: Example

- $F(x_1, x_2, y_1) : x_1 \vee x_2 \vee y_1$
- Possible Skolem functions:

$$\psi_1(x_1, x_2) = \neg(x_1 \vee x_2)$$

$$\psi_1(x_1, x_2) = \neg x_1$$

$$\psi_1(x_1, x_2) = \neg x_2$$

$$\psi_1(x_1, x_2) = 1$$

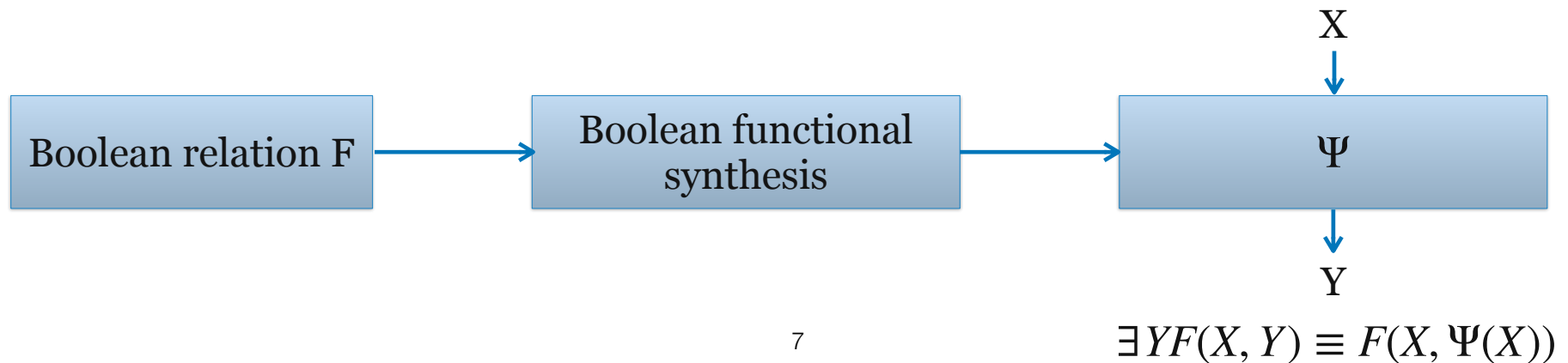
Applications

- Application in a wide variety of domains:
 - Certified QBF solving
 - Program synthesis
 - Cryptography

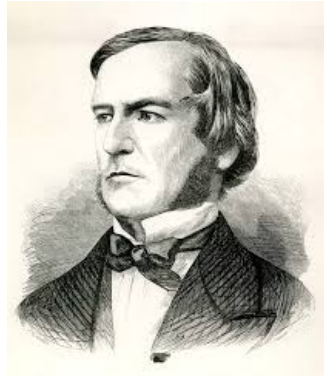
Factorization Problem

- Given a n -bit number X , find m -bit number Y such that Y divides X and $Y \notin \{1, X\}$.
- As a relation between input and output values

$$F(X, Y) : \frac{X}{Y} \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } Y \notin \{1, X\}$$



A Long History



George Boole



Thoralf Albert Skolem

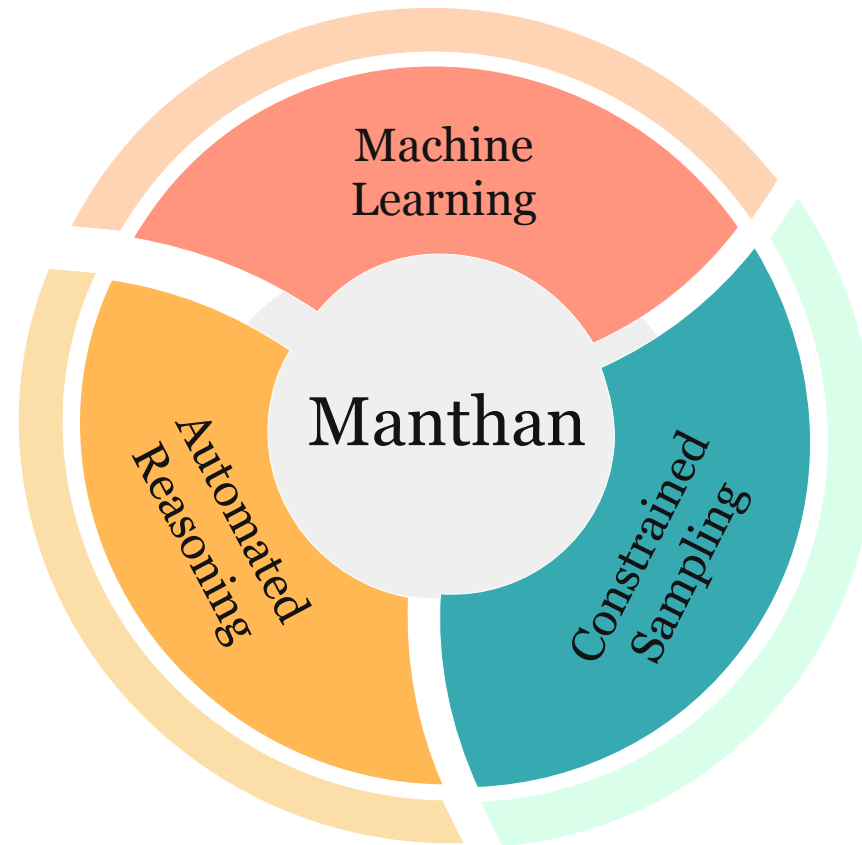
- The Customary Bad News

Unless $P = NP$, there exist problem instances where Boolean function synthesis must take super-polynomial time. ([Akshay et al., 2018](#))

And Now, the Real Deal

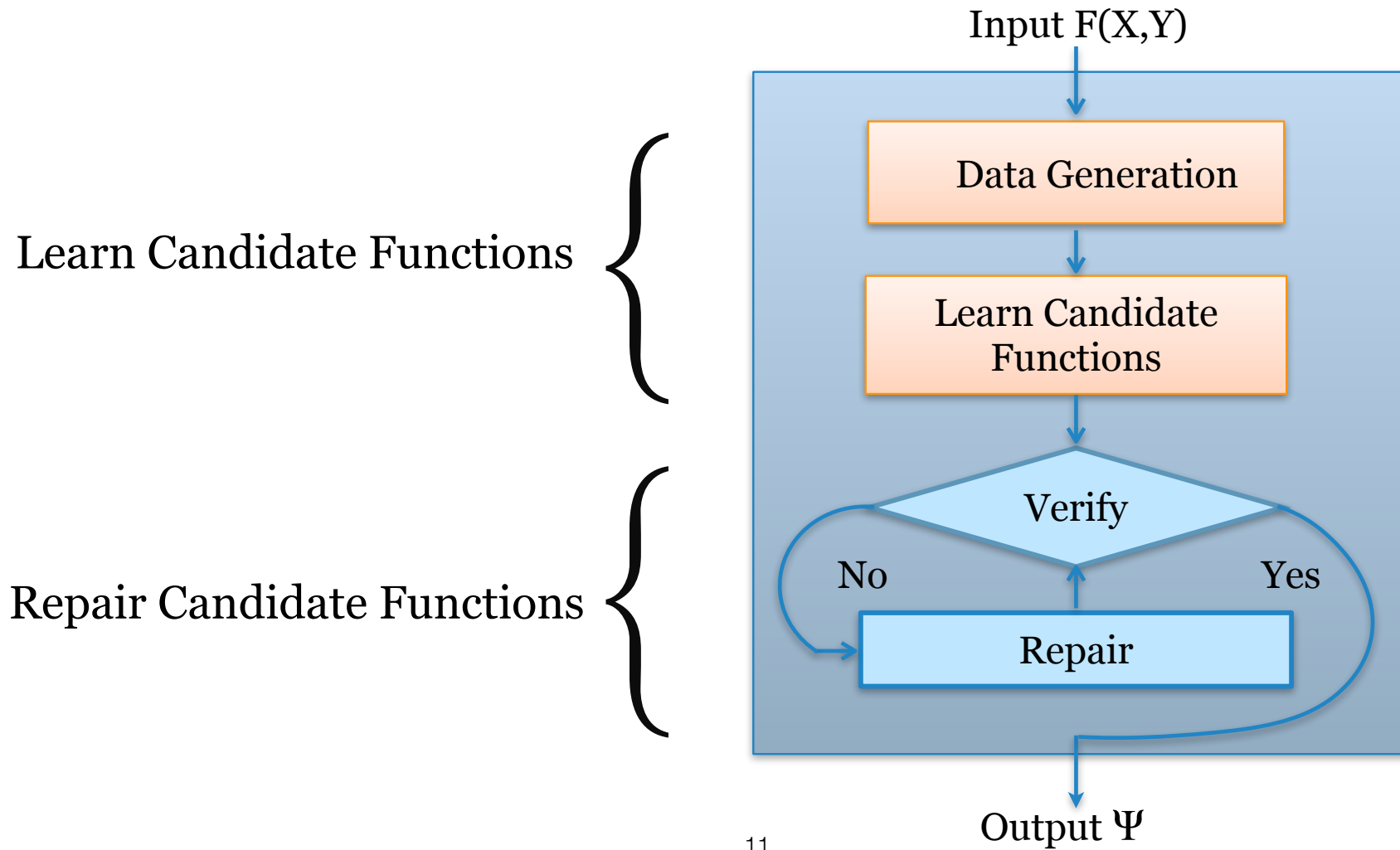
- From the proof of validity of $\forall X \exists Y F(X, Y)$
 - [Bendetti et al., 2005](#)
 - [Jussilla et al., 2007](#)
 - [Heule et al., 2014](#)
- Quantifier instantiation in SMT solvers
 - [Barrett et al., 2015](#)
 - [Bierre et al., 2017](#)
- Input-Output separation:
 - [Chakraborty et al., 2018](#)
- Knowledge representation:
 - [Kukula et al., 2000](#)
 - [Trivedi et al., 2003](#)
 - [Jiang, 2009](#)
 - [Kuncak et al., 2010](#)
 - [Balabanov and Jiang, 2011](#)
 - [John et al., 2015](#)
 - [Fried, Tabajara, Vardi, 2016, 2017](#)
 - [Akshay et al., 2017, 2018](#)
 - [Chakraborty et al., 2019](#)
- Incremental determinization:
 - [Rabe et al., 2015, 2018, 2019](#)

A Data-Driven Approach for Boolean Functional Synthesis



The Name, **Manthan**, is based on an Indian Mythological Story

Manthan



Data Generation

- We want to capture the relation between X and Y .

$$F(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2) : (x_1 \vee x_2 \vee y_1) \wedge (\neg x_1 \vee \neg x_2 \vee \neg y_2)$$

x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2
0	0	1	0/1
0	1	0/1	0/1
1	0	0/1	0/1
1	1	0/1	0

Unlike classical machine learning for the same valuation of x_1, x_2 : different y_1, y_2

Data Generation

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Sample 4 data points
uniformly at random



x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0

- Possible Skolem function

$$\begin{array}{llll} \psi_1(x_1, x_2) = \neg(x_1 \vee x_2) & \psi_1(x_1, x_2) = \neg x_1 & \psi_1(x_1, x_2) = \neg x_2 & \psi_1(x_1, x_2) = 1 \\ \psi_2(x_1, x_2) = \neg(x_1 \vee x_2) & \psi_2(x_1, x_2) = \neg x_1 & \psi_2(x_1, x_2) = \neg x_2 & \psi_2(x_1, x_2) = 0 \end{array}$$

Data Generation

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The magical sampler
4 data points



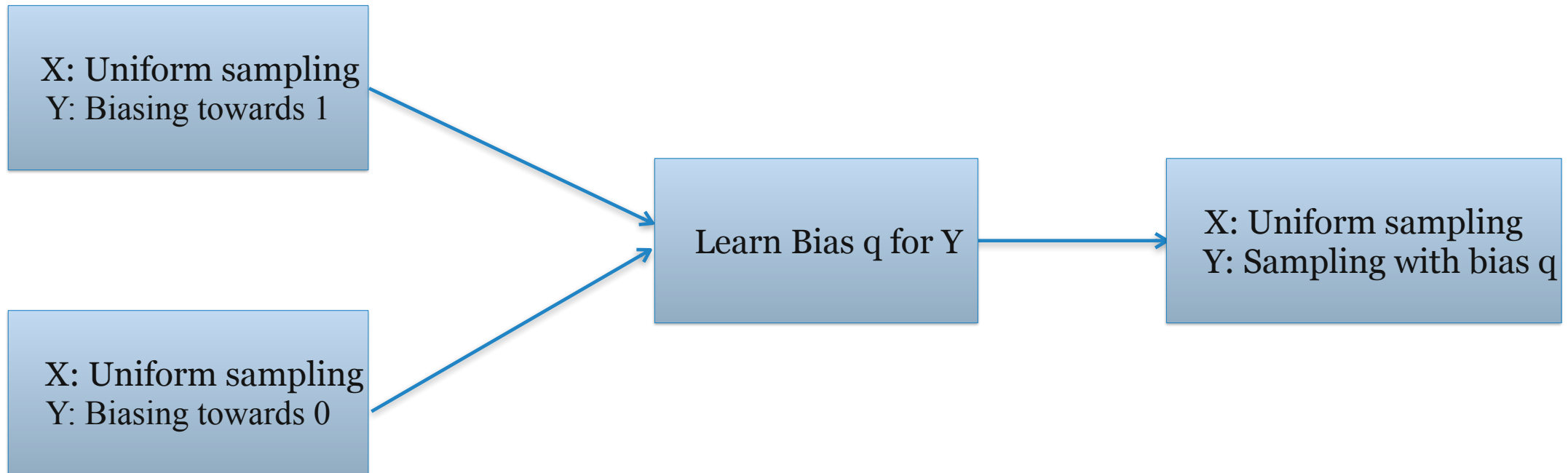
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Data Generation

- We design a weighted sampling strategy that seeks to uniformly sample X , while biasing the valuation of Y .

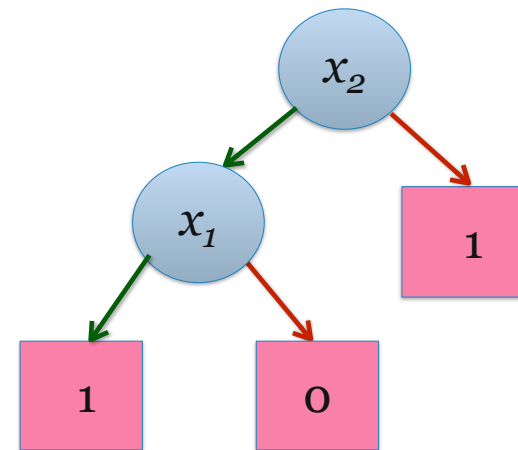


Learning Candidate Functions

- $F(x_1, x_2, y_1) : x_1 \vee x_2 \vee y_1$
 - Feature set: valuation of x_1, x_2
 - Label: valuation of y_1
 - Learn decision tree to represent y_1 in terms of x_1, x_2 .

x_1	x_2	y_1
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

Binary classification problem.



$$\psi_1 = x_2 \vee (\neg x_2 \wedge \neg x_1)$$

Learning Candidate Functions

- To learn ψ_i :
 - Feature set: valuation of X in data
 - Label: valuation of y_i in data
 - Learn decision tree classifier
 - Candidate function ψ_i is disjunction of all the paths of the tree with leaf node 1

Verification of Candidate Functions

- When Candidate functions are not Skolem functions:

$$\exists Y F(X, Y) \not\equiv F(X, \Psi(X))$$

There exists at least one valuation of X where $\exists Y F(X, Y)$ evaluates to True, and $F(X, \Psi(X))$ also evaluates to False.

- When Candidate functions are Skolem functions:

$$\exists Y F(X, Y) \equiv F(X, \Psi(X))$$

For all the valuation of X where $\exists Y F(X, Y)$ evaluates to True, $F(X, \Psi(X))$ also evaluates to True.

Verification of Candidate Functions

Y and Y' are different, but same X

Every y'_i is same as ψ_i

$$E(X, Y, Y') = F(X, Y) \wedge \neg F(X, Y') \wedge (Y' \leftrightarrow \Psi)$$

If there exists a valuation of X, s.t.
 $F(X, Y)$ evaluates to True, and $F(X, Y')$
evaluates to False

$E(X, Y, Y')$ is SAT

If for all the valuation of X where
 $F(X, Y)$ evaluates to True, $F(X, Y')$
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$E(X, Y, Y')$ is UNSAT

Verification of Candidate Functions

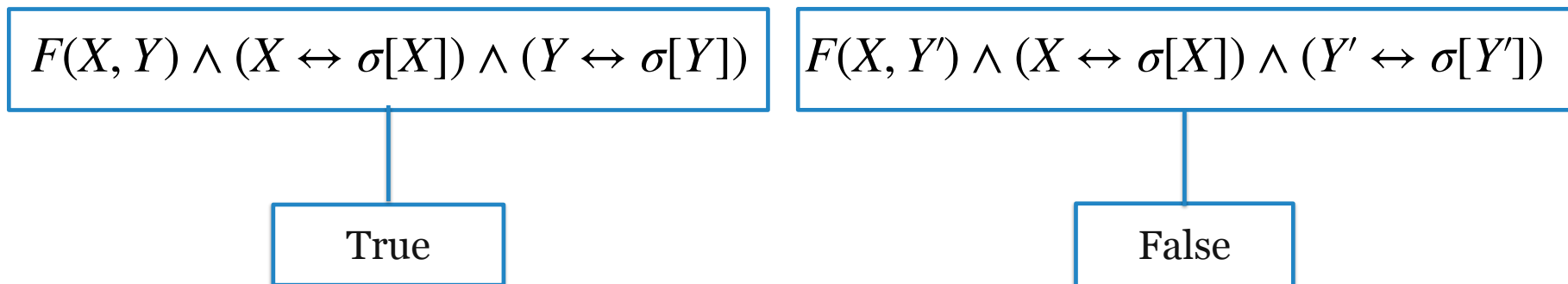
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- Check satisfiability of $E(X, Y, Y')$.
- If $E(X, Y, Y')$ is UNSAT: return the Skolem function Ψ .
- If $E(X, Y, Y')$ is SAT: let $\sigma \models E(X, Y, Y')$ be a counter example to fix.

Repairing Candidate Functions

$$E(X, Y, Y') = F(X, Y) \wedge \neg F(X, Y') \wedge (Y' \leftrightarrow \Psi)$$

- $E(X, Y, Y')$ is SAT: $\sigma \models E(X, Y, Y')$



- The potential candidates to repair : functions corresponding to y_i , if $\sigma[y_i] \neq \sigma[y'_i]$

Repairing Candidate Functions

- The aim of a repair iteration is to make $F(X, Y') \wedge (Y' \leftrightarrow \Psi)$ evaluates to True with $(X \leftrightarrow \sigma[X])$.
- Let candidate function $\psi_i(X)$ corresponding to y_i needs to repair.

With $X \leftrightarrow \sigma[X]$

Before repair	After repair
$\psi_i(X) \mapsto 0$	$\psi_i(X) \mapsto 1$
$\psi_i(X) \mapsto 1$	$\psi_i(X) \mapsto 0$

Repairing Candidate Functions

- Construct a repair formula β (a subset of literals in $\sigma[X]$)

Before repair	Repair	After repair:
$\psi_i(X) \mapsto 0$	$\psi_i(X) \leftarrow \psi_i(X) \vee \beta$	$\psi_i(X) \mapsto 1$
$\psi_i(X) \mapsto 1$	$\psi_i(X) \leftarrow \psi_i(X) \wedge \neg\beta$	$\psi_i(X) \mapsto 0$

Repairing Candidate Functions

- Find UNSAT core of $G_i(X, Y) = F(X, Y) \wedge (X \leftrightarrow \sigma[X]) \wedge (y_i \leftrightarrow \sigma[y_i'])$
- Use the UNSAT core to construct β repair formula

With $X \leftrightarrow \sigma[X]$

Before repair	Repair	After repair
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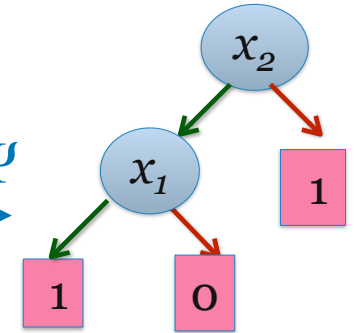
Manthan

$F(X, Y)$
 $X = \{x_1, x_2\}, Y = \{y_1\}$

Data Generation

x_1	x_2	y_1
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Learn Candidates Ψ



$$\psi_1(x_1, x_2) = x_2 \vee (\neg x_1 \wedge \neg x_2)$$

Verify Candidates

Find UNSAT Core of
 $G(X, Y)$

SAT

Check Satisfiability
of $E(X, Y, Y')$

Construct β

UNSAT

Repair Candidates

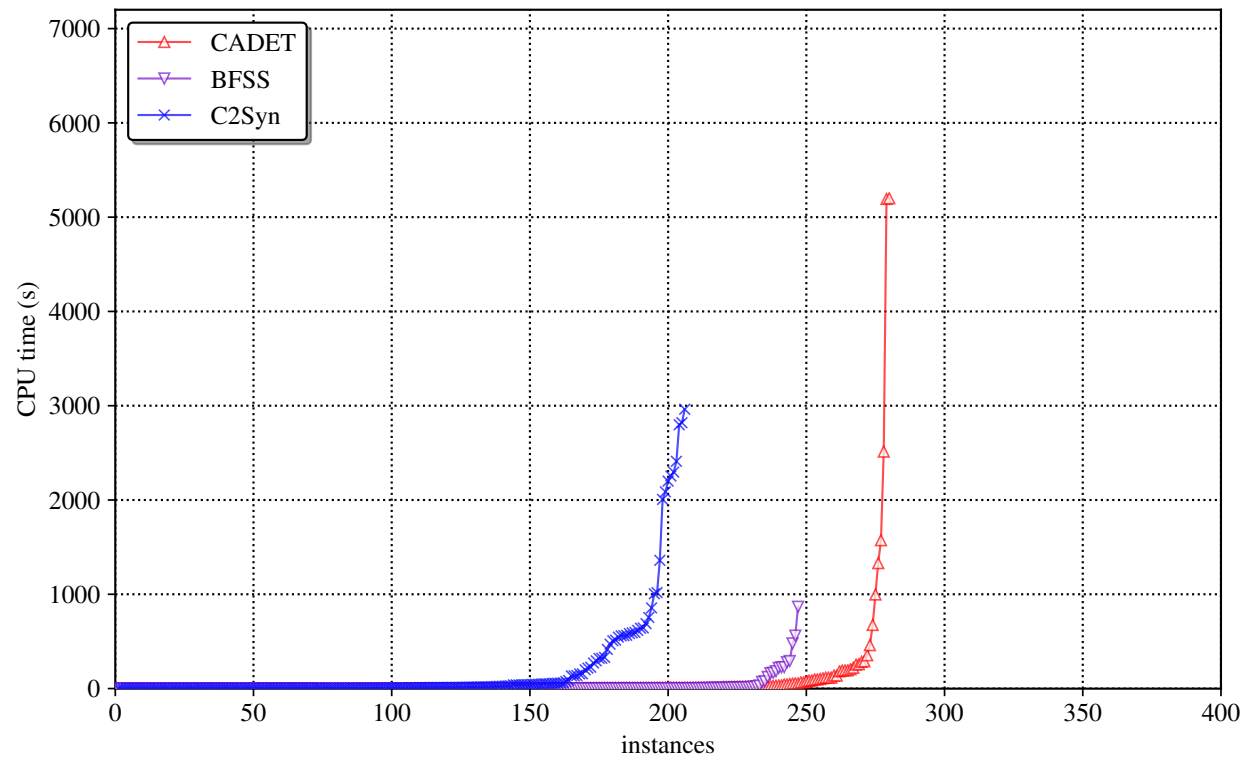
Repair Cycle

Return Ψ

Experimental Evaluations

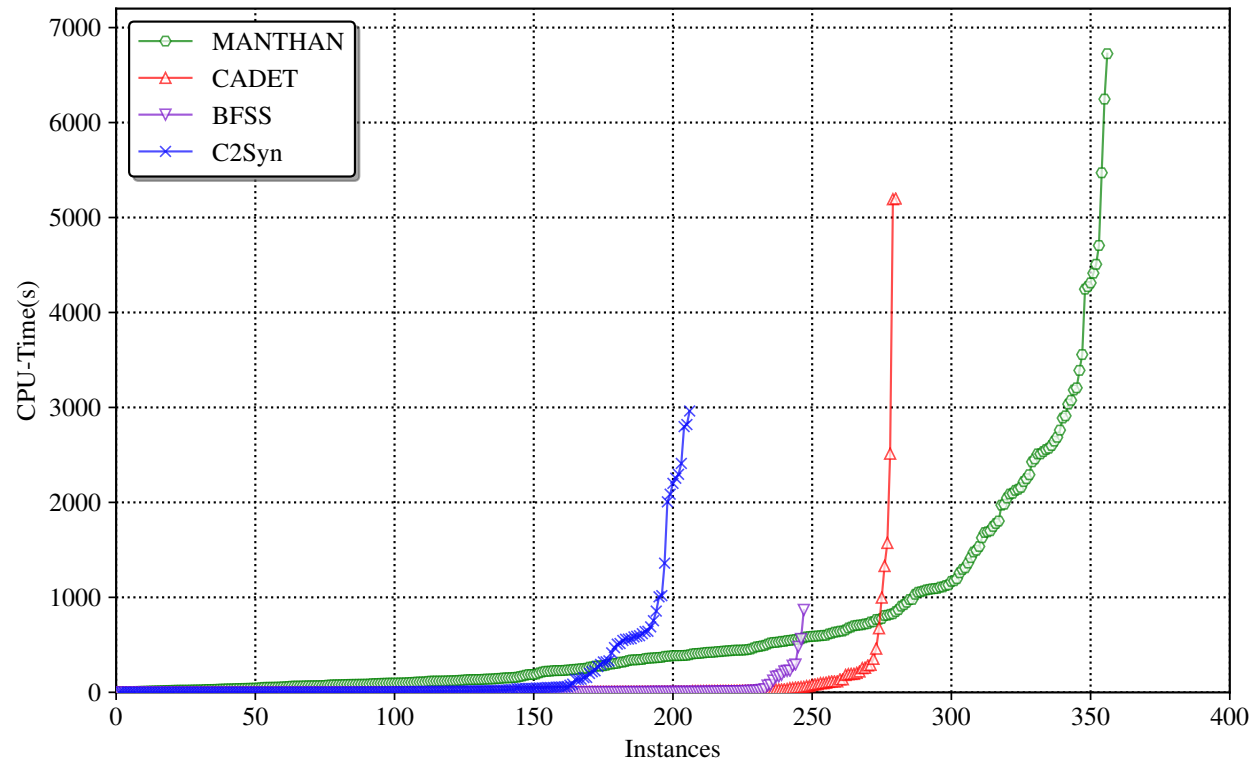
- 609 Benchmarks from:
 - QBFEval competition 2-QBF track
 - Arithmetic set (Fried, Tabajara, Vardi, 2016)
 - Disjunctive decomposition set (Akshay et al., 2017)
 - Factorization set (Akshay et al., 2017)
- Compared Manthan with State-of-the-art tools: CADET (Rabe et. al, 2019), BFSS (Akshay et al. ,2018), C2Syn (Chakraborty et al., 2019).
- Timeout: 7200s

Experimental Evaluations



C2Syn	BFSS	CADET
206	247	280

Experimental Evaluations



An increase of 76
benchmarks

Manthan \ All tools: 60

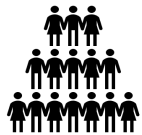
C2Syn	BFSS	CADET	Manthan
206	247	280	356

Future work: interesting questions

- What is the ideal distribution to generate the data?
- How good are the candidate functions generated by data?
- From Abstraction to Approximations in Verification?
- Can similar approach be used for program synthesis, program repair ?

Conclusion

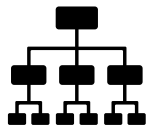
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Constrained Sampling



Solves 356 benchmarks — state of the art could solve 280.



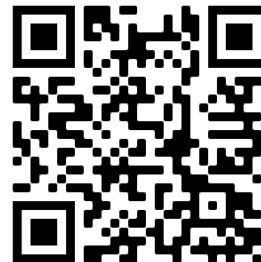
Decision Tree Classifier



Opens up several interesting directions



Automated Reasoning



<https://github.com/meelgroup/manthan>

Thanks !

