

Strategy Synthesis for Linear Arithmetic Games

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This paper:

Algorithms for synthesizing winning strategies for satisfiability and reachability games in the theory of linear arithmetic.

Satisfiability games

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- φ is satisfiable \iff **SAT** has a winning strategy

$$\forall x. \forall y. \exists \text{ lub}. \underbrace{\text{lub} \geq x \wedge \text{lub} \geq y}_{\text{upper bound}} \wedge \underbrace{[\forall \text{ ub}. (\text{ub} \geq x \wedge \text{ub} \geq y) \implies \text{ub} \geq \text{lub}]}_{\text{least}}$$

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Winning strategy:

$$\text{ lub}(x, y) = \text{ if } x \geq y \text{ then } x \text{ else } y$$

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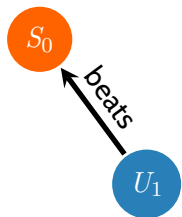
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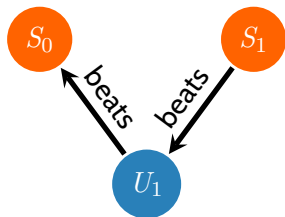
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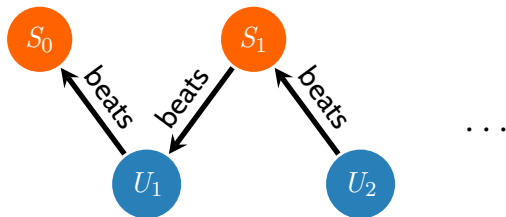
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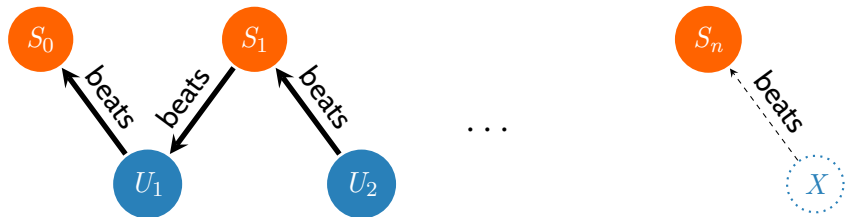
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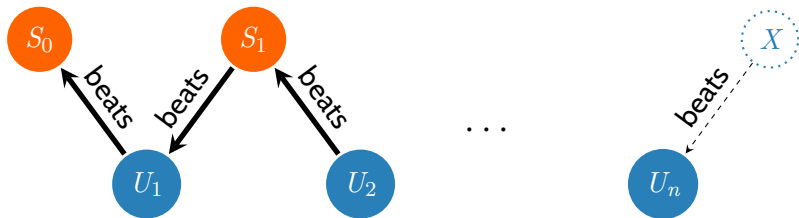
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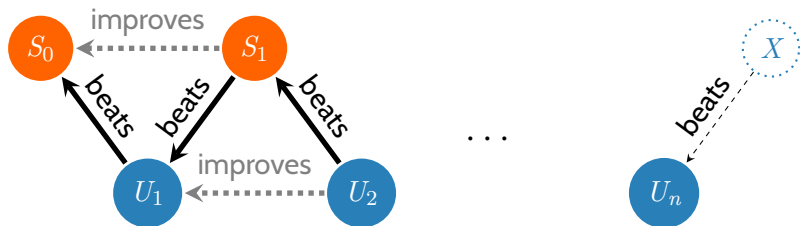
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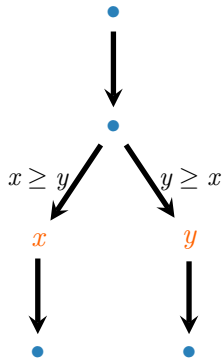
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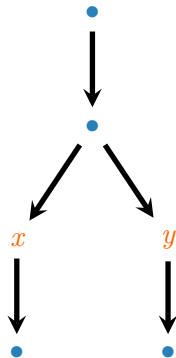
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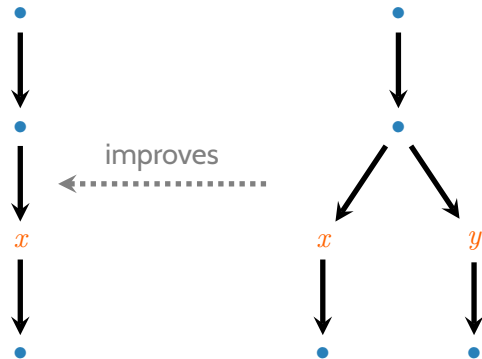
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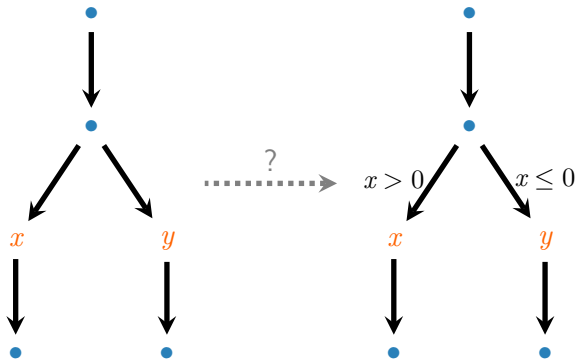
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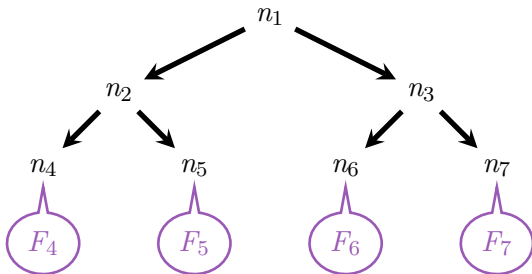
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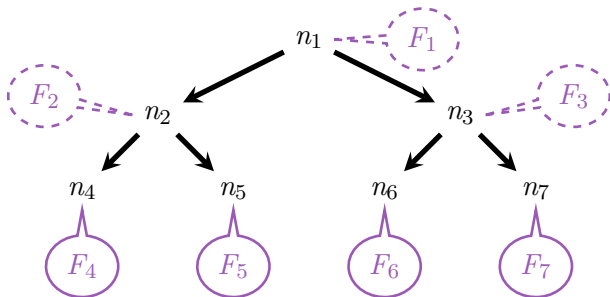
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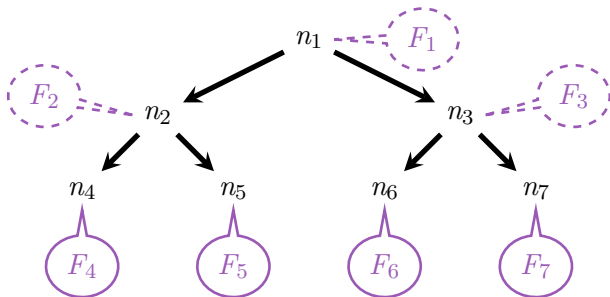
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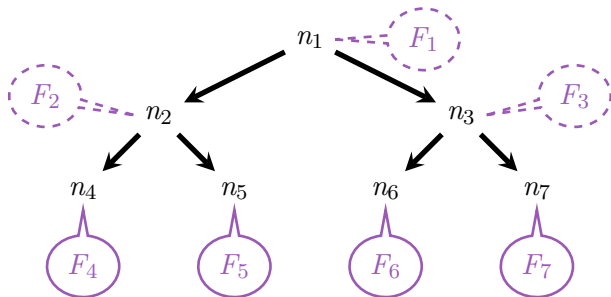


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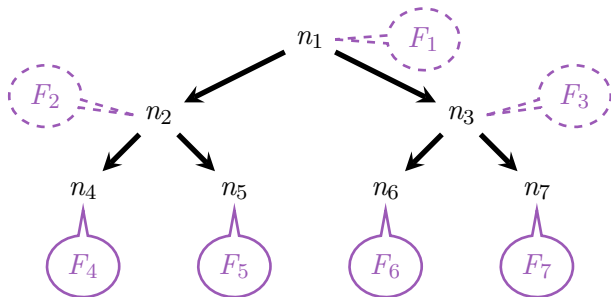


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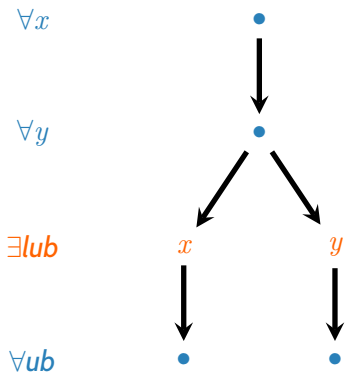


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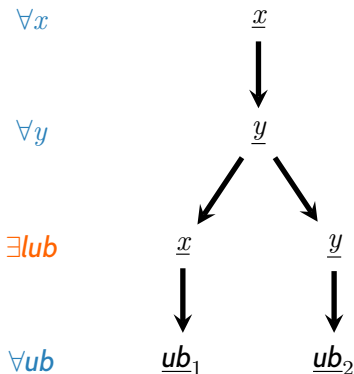
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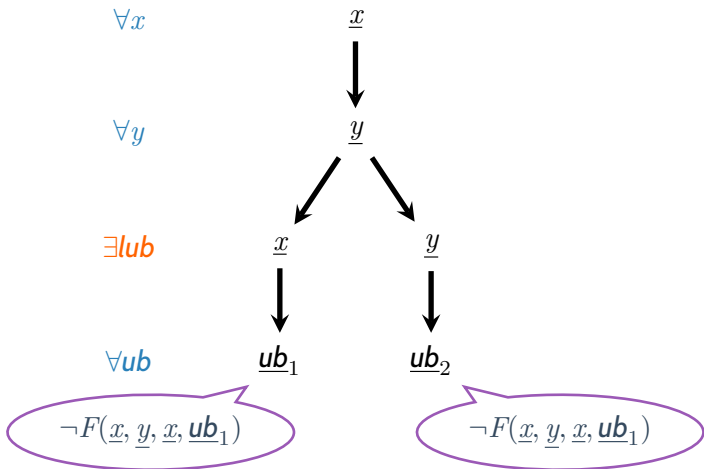
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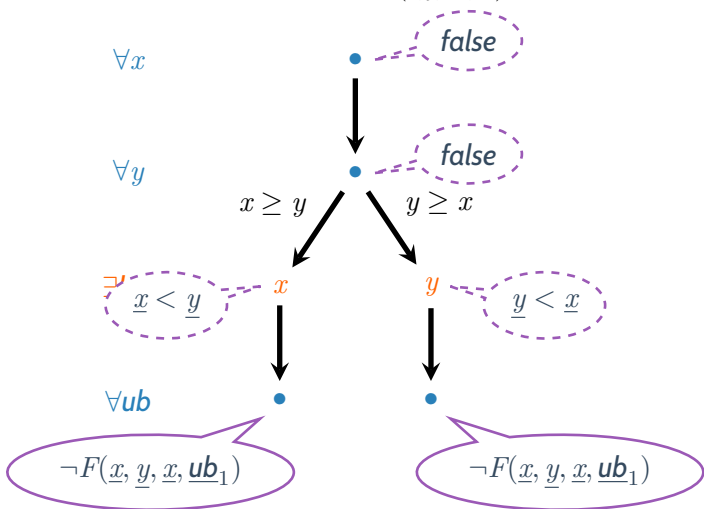
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Experiments

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array_search15	Timeout	0.1s	3.0s
array_sum8_15	Timeout	0.0s	0.3s
tenfunc2	0.0s	0.1s	0.1s
polynomial4	0.0s	21.0s	0.0s
hms	Timeout	Timeout	0.0s
scaleweights	Timeout	0.1s	0.3s
lub10	Timeout	38.1s	4.0s
inverse10	Timeout	Timeout	2.4s
round10	Error	Timeout	8.8s
puzzle35	Timeout	Timeout	0.1s
puzzle35_opt	Timeout	Unknown	0.2s

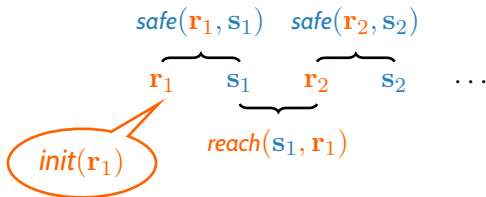
Reachability games

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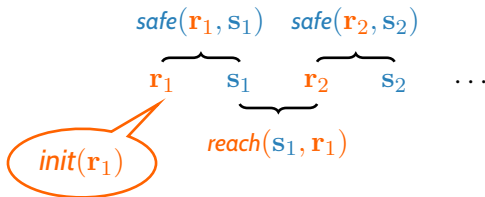


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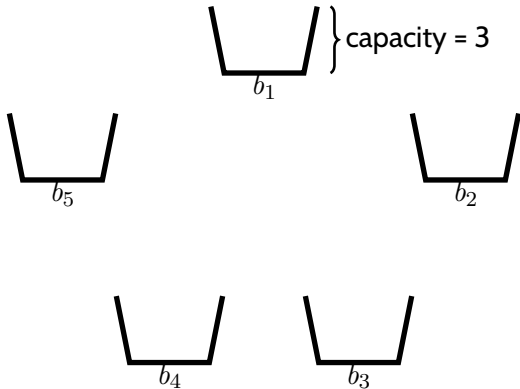
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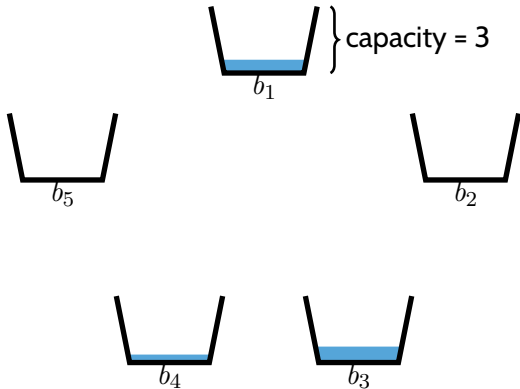


First player to make an **illegal** move loses.

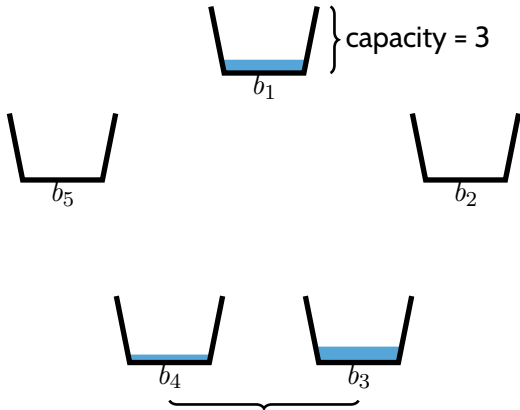
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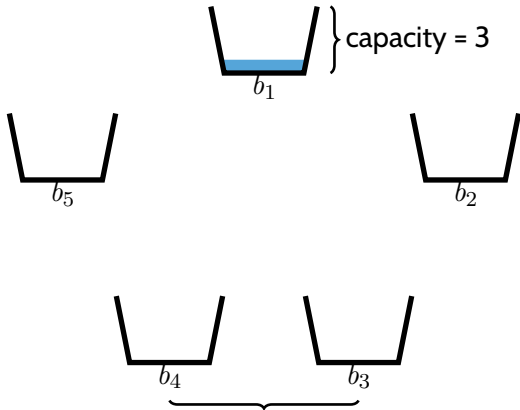
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Formalizing Cinderella-Stepmother

$$\mathit{init} \triangleq \left(\sum_{i=1}^5 b_i = 1 \right) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^5 b_i \geq 0$$

$$\mathit{reach} \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^5 b'_i = 1 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^5 b_i \right) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^5 b'_i \geq b_i$$

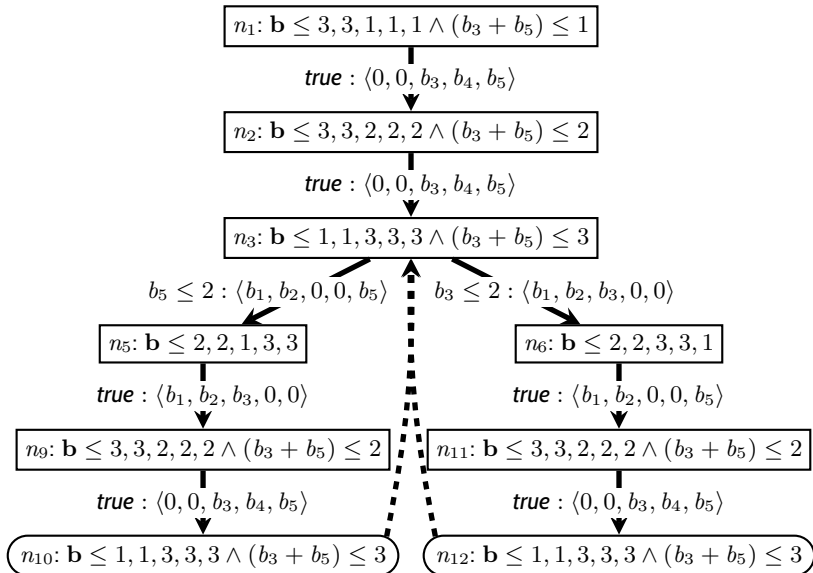
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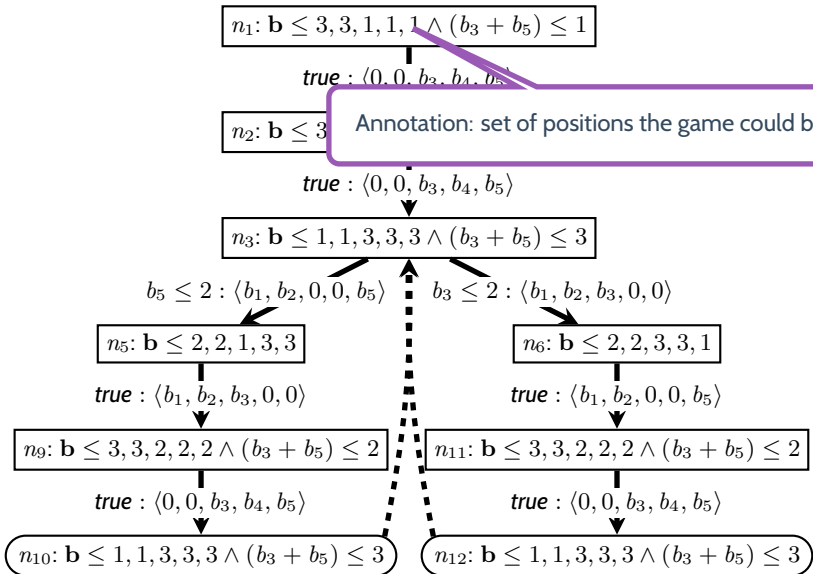
$$\mathit{overflow} \triangleq \left(\bigvee_{i=1}^5 b_i > 3 \right)$$

$$\mathit{empty}_i \triangleq b'_i, b'_{i+1}, b'_{i+2}, b'_{i+3}, b'_{i+4} = 0, 0, b_{i+2}, b_{i+3}, b_{i+4}$$

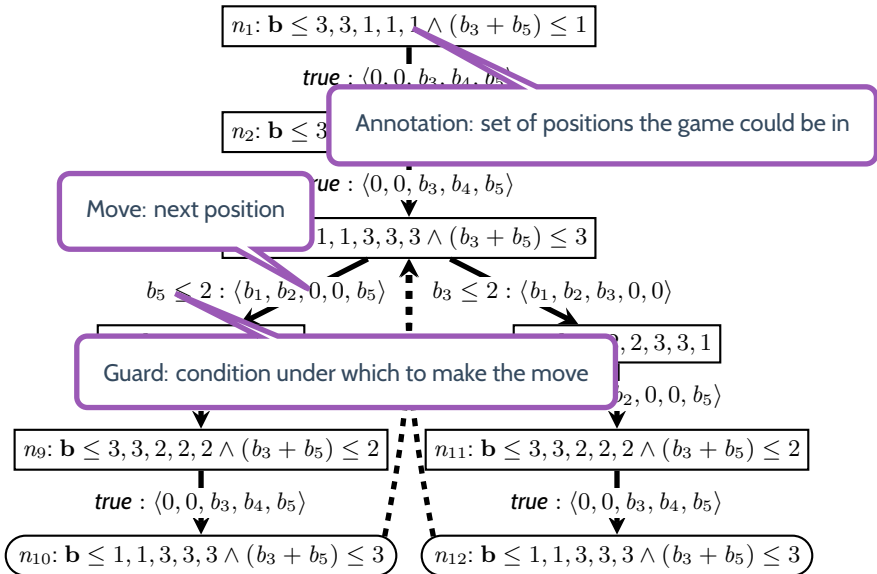
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$n_1: \mathbf{b} \leq 3, 3, 3, 3, 3$

$true : \langle 0, 0, b_3, b_4, b_5 \rangle$

$n_2: true$

$\forall \mathbf{b}_0. init(\mathbf{b}_0) \Rightarrow (safe(\mathbf{b}_0, 00b_3b_4b_5) \wedge \forall \mathbf{b}_1. reach(00b_3b_4b_5, \mathbf{b}_1) \exists \mathbf{b}_2. safe(\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2))$

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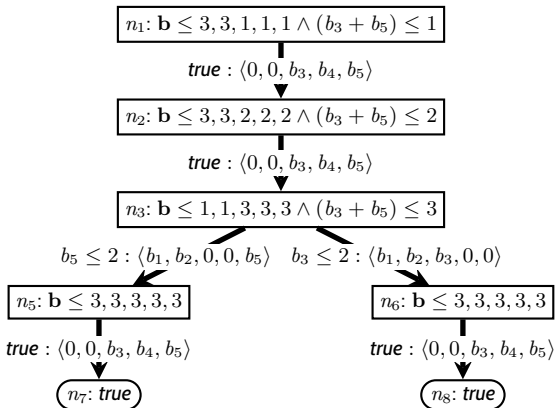
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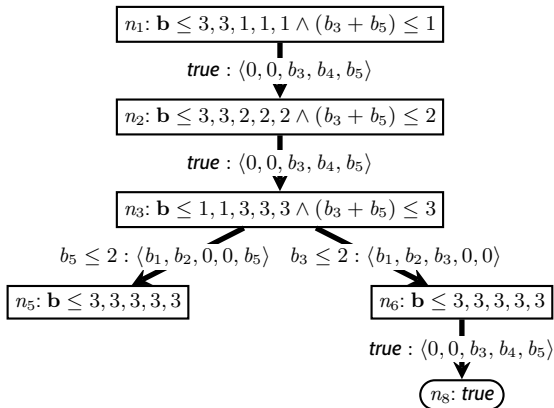
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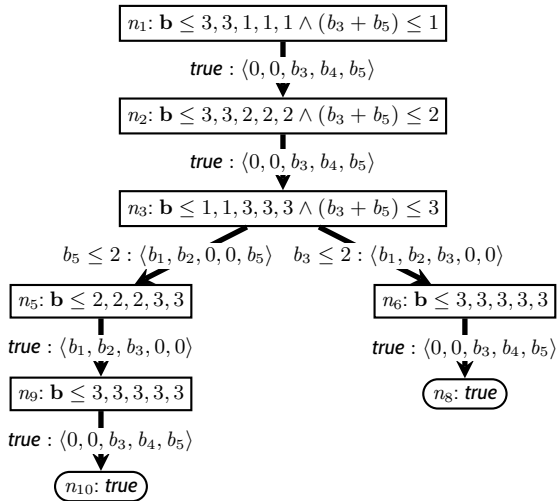
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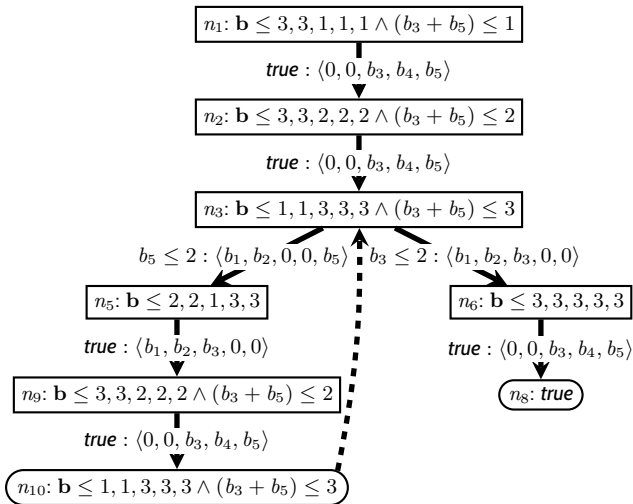
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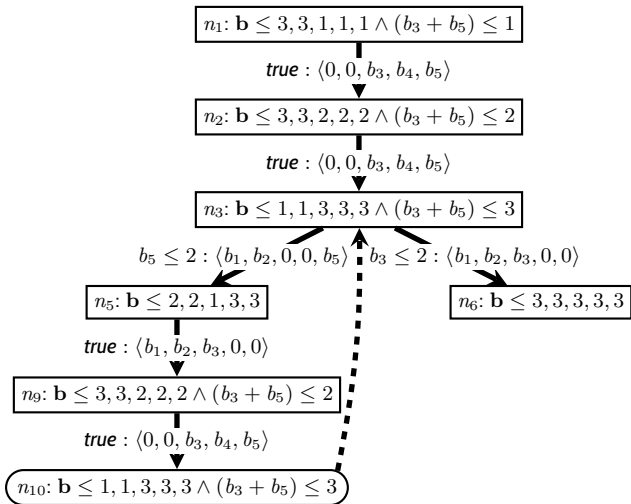
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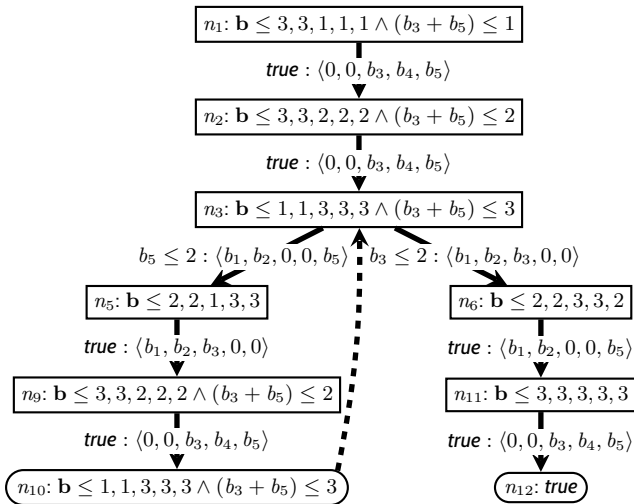


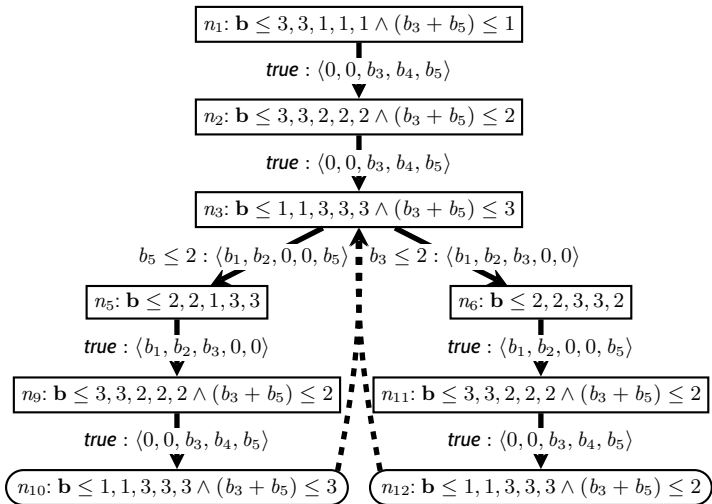












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$c=2$	Cinderella	68.9s
$c=1.8$	-	Timeout
$c=1.7$	Stepmother	2.5s
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c=1.6	Stepmother	1.5s
c=1.5	Stepmother	1.4s
c=1.4	Stepmother	0.2s

*“the problem becomes more challenging for $1.5 \leq c < 3$
...in such cases fully automated strategy synthesis seems
unrealistic, and computer-assisted proofs driven by
user-provided hints or templates are more plausible.”*

- Beyene, Chaudhuri, Popeea & Rybalchenko; POPL'14

Summary

- Complete procedure for satisfiability games
 - Extends LRA decision procedure to strategy synthesis
- Semi-algorithm for reachability games
 - Synthesize strategies for bounded games, then generalize
 - Complete for finite REACH strategies