

# Constraint Logic Programming over Infinite Domains with an Application to Proof

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# Background



- Model Checking
- Data Validation
- Proof and Disproof

## B Example

MACHINE BinarySearch

CONSTANTS arr , sze , goal

PROPERTIES

sze : NAT & arr : 1..sze —> INT &

!( i ).( i :1..( sze-1 ) => arr(i) <= arr(i+1)) &

goal : INT &

arr = [-1,0,1,2,3,5] & goal : {5,4,2,6}

VARIABLES i , j , found

INVARIANT

found:BOOL & i:NAT & j:NAT &

(found=TRUE => arr(i)=goal) &

INITIALISATION found , i , j := FALSE, 1 , sze

OPERATIONS

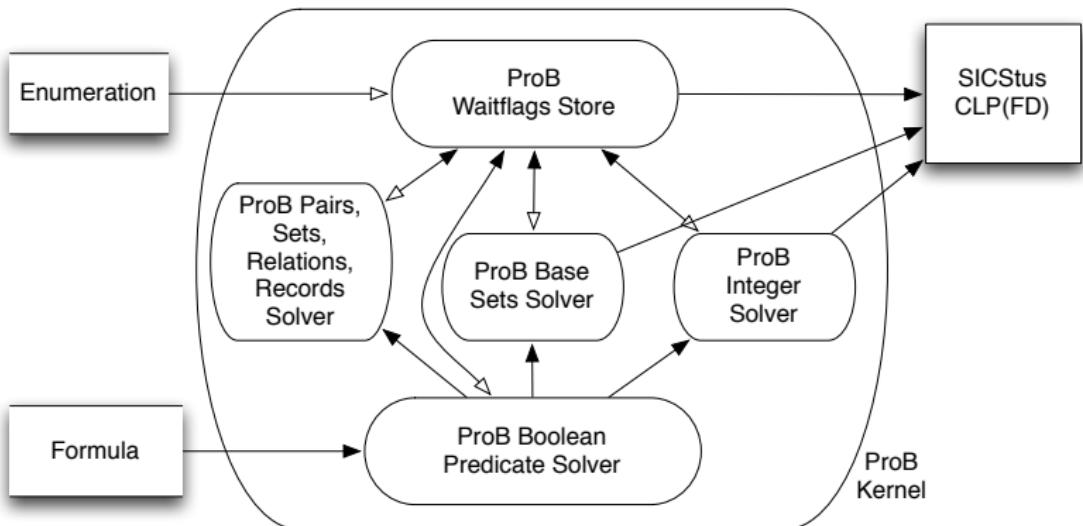
Step = SELECT found=FALSE & i<j THEN

...

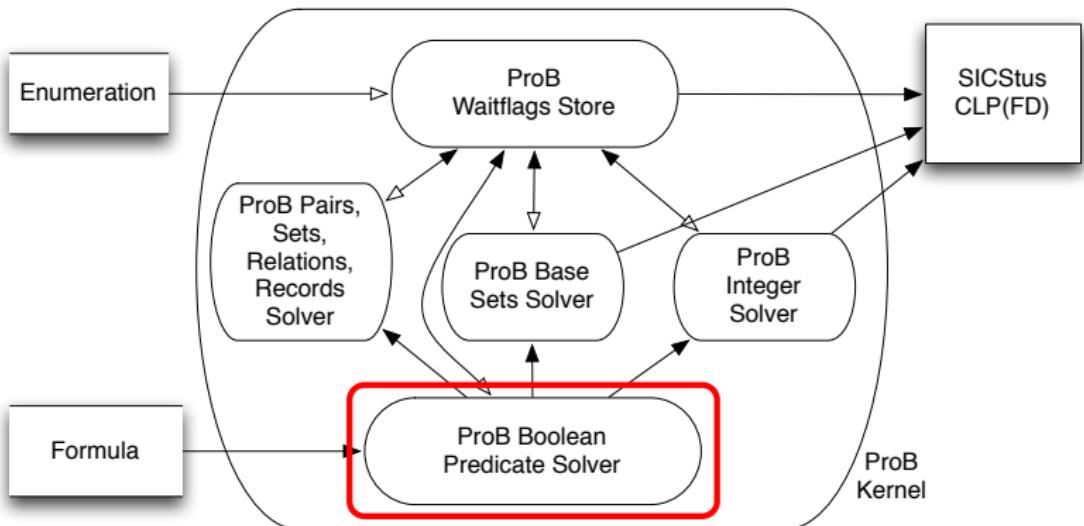
# PROB Kernel

- Based on SICStus Prolog
  - 150k LoC
  - + Extensions in Tcl/Tk, Java, C, ...
- CLP(FD) + CHR
- Custom solvers for high-level structures
  - Sets, lists, tuples, records, ...
  - Nested quantification
  - Comprehensions & lambdas

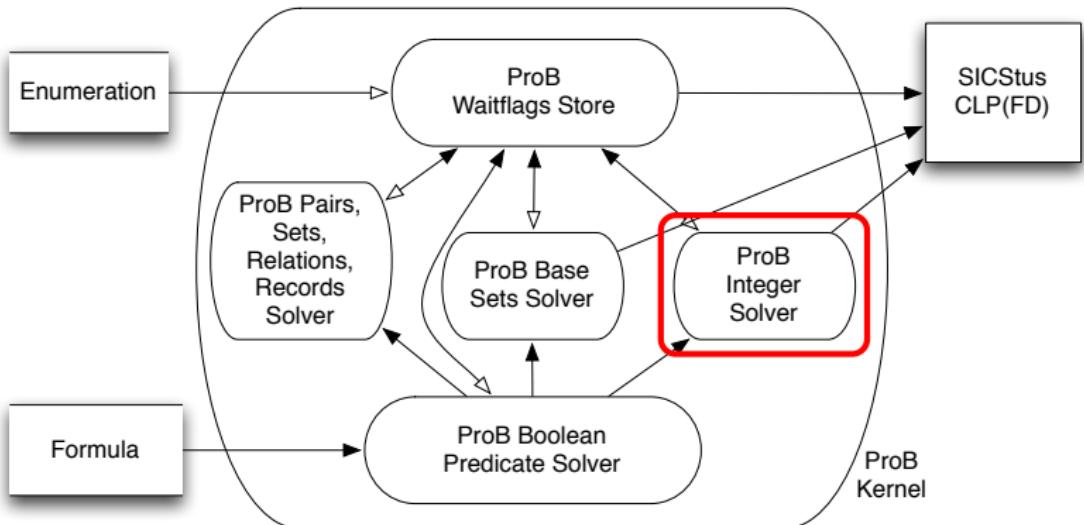
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# Techniques for Large or Infinite Domains

- Tracking of enumeration scopes
- Randomized enumeration
- High-level reasoning

# Types of Enumeration

Distinguish based on effect on overall result:

- No enumeration, result not influenced
  - e.g., no valuation  $\Rightarrow$  formula unsatisfiable
- Exhaustive enumeration
- Non-exhaustive enumeration with or w/o result
  - $\Rightarrow$  consider scope

# Nested Enumeration Scopes

$\exists x. (x \in [-10, 10] \wedge \forall y. y \in [-15, 5] \Rightarrow y \leq x)$

existential scope

$x$  can be enumerated exhaustively but is not

$\forall y. y \in [-15, 5] \Rightarrow y \leq x$

universal scope

$y$  is enumerated exhaustively

$y \leq x$

CLP(FD) constraint

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$$\exists x. (\neg \forall y. y \in [-15, 5] \Rightarrow y \leq x)$$

existential scope

non-exhaustively search for  $x$

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CLP(FD) constraint

## Examples

- $x*x=10000$ , solution found w/o enumeration
- $\{x \mid x*x=10000\}$ , (all) solutions found w/o enumeration
- $x>10000 \ \& \ x \bmod 1234 = 1$ , solution found despite enumeration
- $\{x \mid x>10000 \ \& \ x \bmod 1234 = 1\}$  can thus not be solved
- $x*x = 10001$  unsat by CLP(FD) propagation w/o enumeration
- $x>10000 \ \& \ x \bmod 1234 = 1 \ \& \ x*x = 10*x$  partial enumeration, no result

# Randomized Enumeration

- Try values of different size / characteristics
- Less likely to get stuck in some part of the search space
- Increase variance, e.g., for test case generation

# Randomized Enumeration - Challenges

- Random permutation
  - $\Rightarrow$  avoid duplicates
- Detect exhaustive traversal

# Fisher-Yates / Knuth Shuffle!

**Data:** List  $a$

**Result:** Random permutation of  $a$

**procedure** shuffle( $a$ )

**for**  $i \in [0, \text{length}(a) - 1]$  **do**

        choose  $j$  randomly such that  $0 \leq j \leq i$

**if**  $j \neq i$  **then**

$\text{perm}[i] := \text{perm}[j]$

**end**

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**end**

**return**  $\text{perm}$

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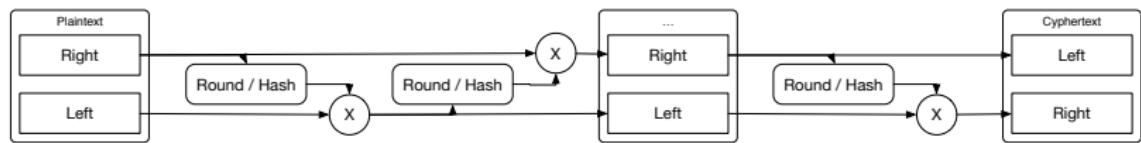
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# Randomized Enumeration - Solution

- Use techniques from cryptography!
- “Encrypt”  $[l, u] \rightarrow [l, u]$
- Using random encryption key
  - $\Rightarrow$  random enumeration of  $[l, u]$
- Unique encryption
  - $\Rightarrow$  no duplicates, random permutation

# Feistel Network



# High-Level Reasoning using CHR

- CLP(FD) weak without bounds
- e.g. no unsat for  $X < Y \wedge Y < X$
- High-level reasoning:
  - Infer falsity
  - Find new CLP(FD) constraints

## CHR Rules (excerpt)

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reflexivity @ leq(X,X) <=> true .  
antisymmetry @ leq(X,Y) , leq(Y,X) <=> X = Y .  
idempotence @ leq(X,Y) \ leq(X,Y) <=> true .  
transitivity @ leq(X,Y) , leq(Y,Z) ==> leq(X,Z) .  
  
antireflexivity @ lt(X,X) <=> fail .  
idempotence      @ lt(X,Y) \ lt(X,Y) <=> true .  
transitivity     @ lt(X,Y) , leq(Y,Z) ==> lt(X,Z) .  
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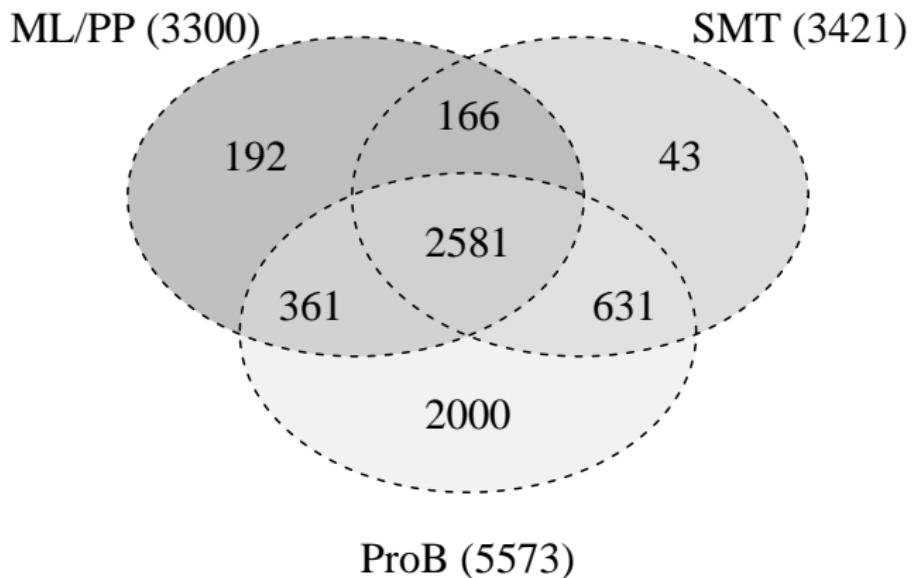
# Comparison

predicate	with CHR	without CHR
$x > 3$	1.2	1.08
$x > y \wedge y > x$	0.92	timeout
$x = 3 \wedge x > y \wedge y = 4$	0.98	1.07
$x = 3 \wedge x > y$	0.86	1.0
$x = 3 \wedge x < y$	1.1	1.11
$w > x \wedge x > y \wedge y > z \wedge w = 1 \wedge z = 1$	0.98	0.95
$w > x \wedge x > y \wedge y > z \wedge z > w$	0.88	timeout
$x + 2 > y + 1 \wedge y > x$	timeout	timeout
$x > y \wedge y > x + 1$	0.9	timeout

## Application - Proof

- Given Event-B sequent  $H_i(x_1, \dots, x_k) \models G(x_1, \dots, x_k)$
- Build  $\exists x_1, \dots, x_k : (H_1(x_1, \dots, x_k) \wedge \dots \wedge H_n(x_1, \dots, x_k)) \Rightarrow \neg G(x_1, \dots, x_k)$
- Search for counter-example
- Exhaustive search  $\Rightarrow$  proof

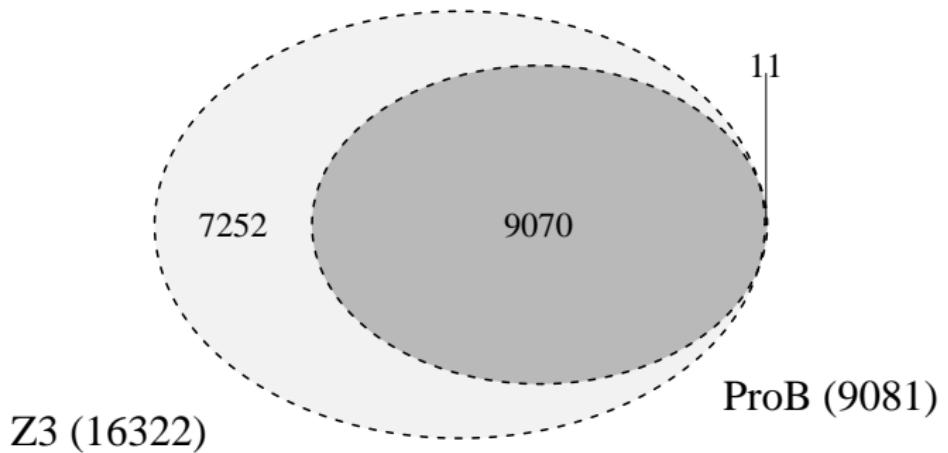
## Results



# Application - SMT Solving

- SMT-LIB standard fully supported
- Translation from SMT-LIB to B
- Competitive on integer arithmetic
- Not competitive for bitvectors, arrays and sets

# Results on Integer Arithmetic



# SMT-COMP 2016 - NIA - Main Track

Winners:

Sequential Performances	Parallel Performances
ProB	ProB

Result table<sup>1</sup>

Solver	Sequential performance		
	Error Score	Correctly Solved Score	avg. CPU time
CVC4	0.000	5.000	0.019
ProB	0.000	8.000	0.888
vampire_smt_4.1	0.000	6.000	335.043
vampire_smt_4.1_parallel	0.000	7.000	537.677
z3 <sup>1</sup>	0.000	9.000	0.038

**Thank you for your attention!**  
Are there any questions left?

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