

Satisfiability Checking

Branch and Bound

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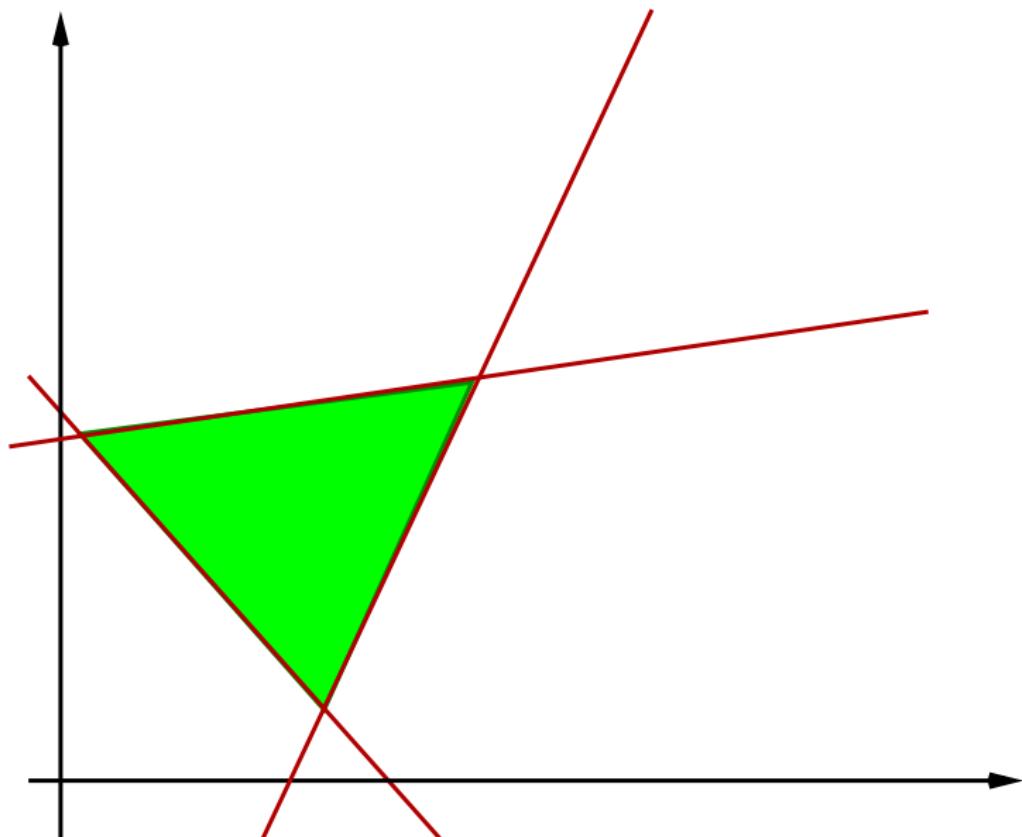
Definition

An **integer linear system** S is a linear system $Ax = 0$, $\bigwedge_{i=1}^m l_i \leq s_i \leq u_i$, with the additional **integrality requirement** that all variables are of type integer.

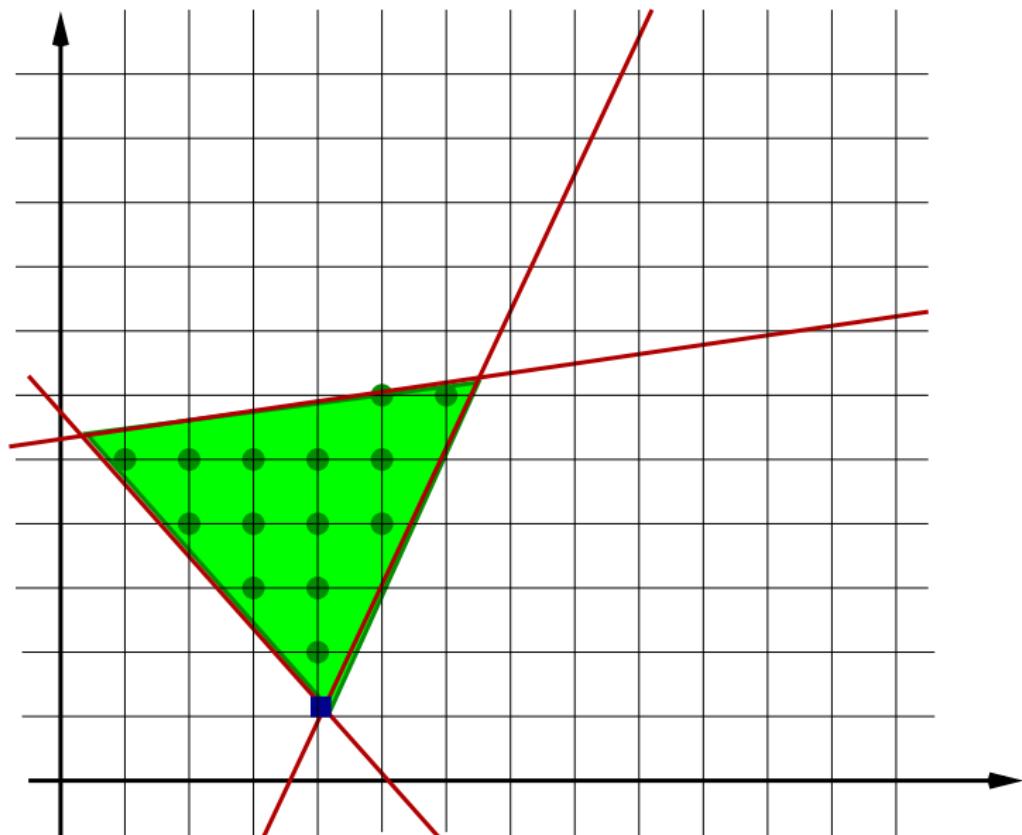
Definition (relaxed system)

Given an integer linear system S , its **relaxation** $\text{relaxed}(S)$ is S without the integrality requirement.

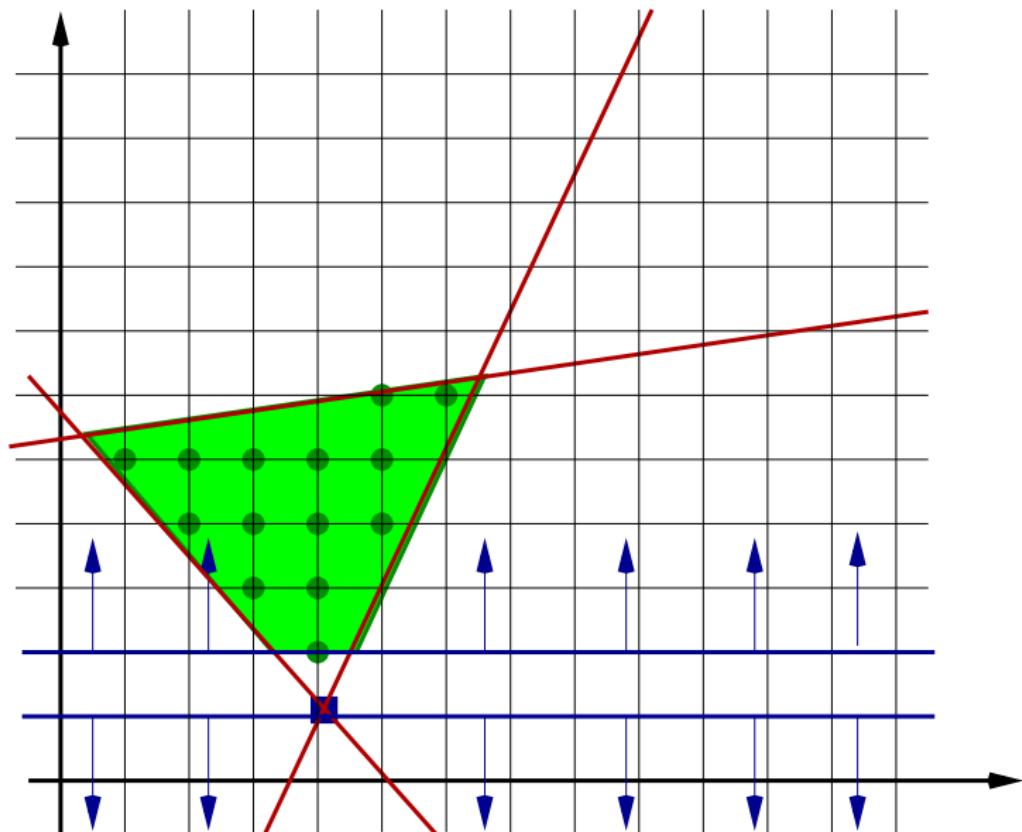
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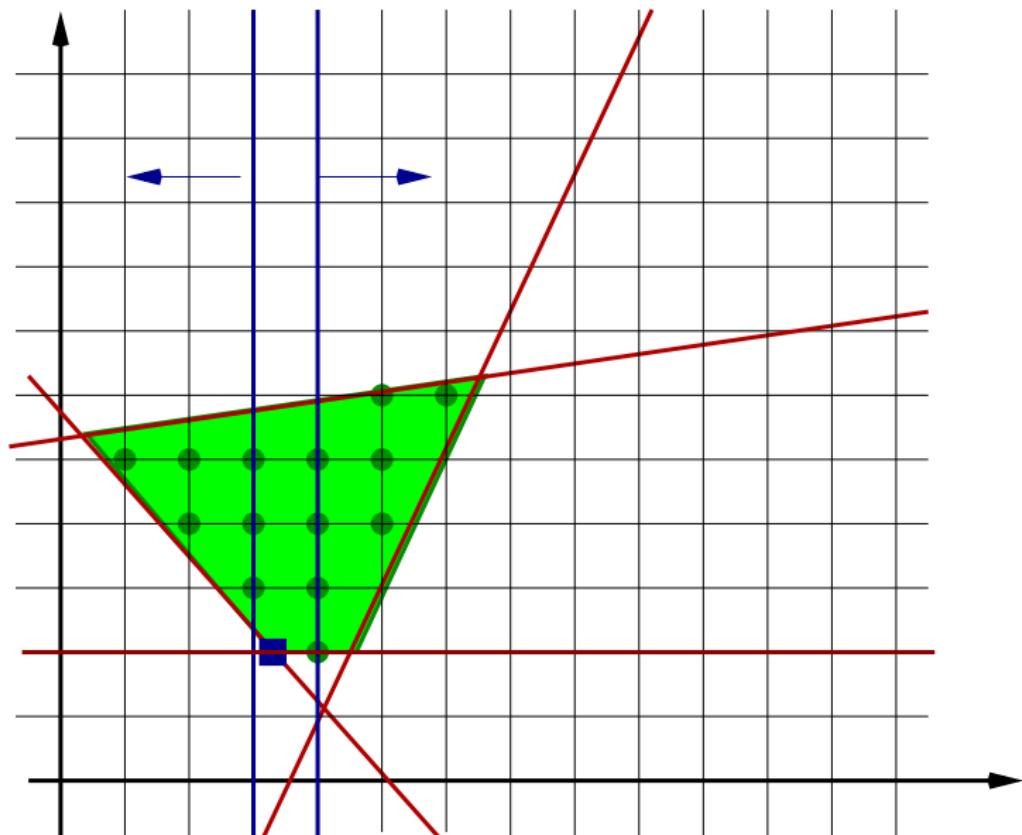
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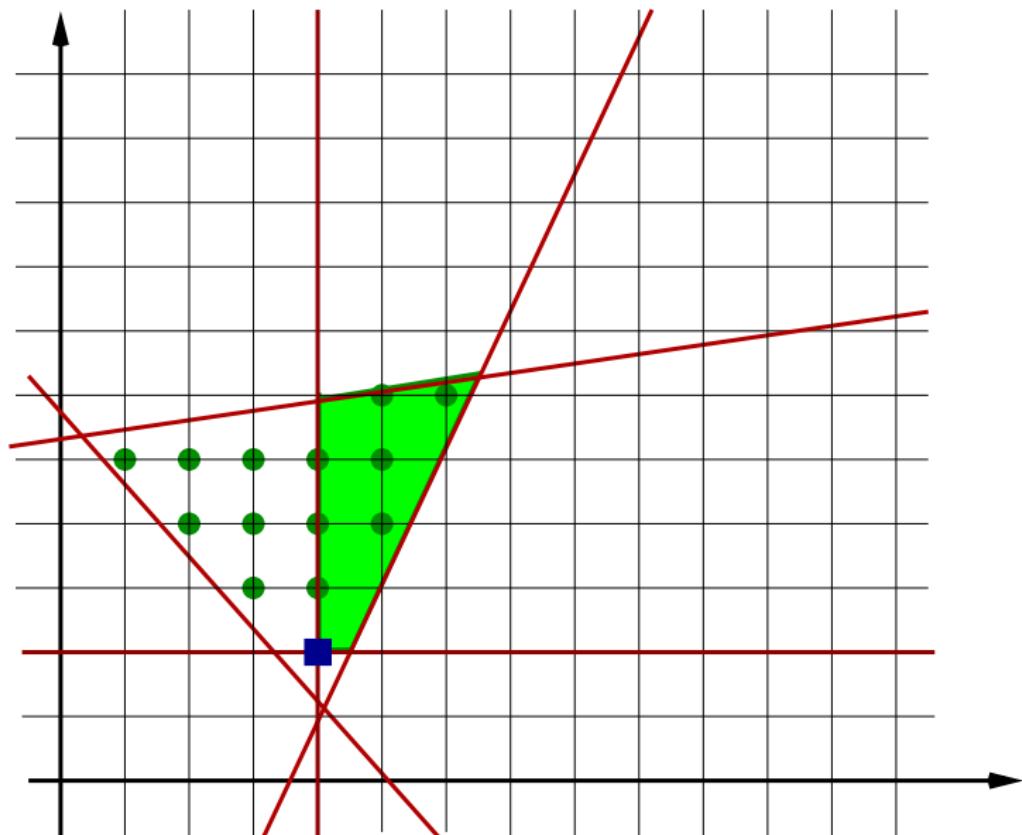
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- The algorithm is **incomplete**.
- Example: $1 \leq 3x - 3y \leq 2$ has unbounded real solutions but no integer solutions → the algorithm loops forever.
- The algorithm can be made complete for formulae with the small-model property: if there is a solution, then there is also a solution within a (computable) finite bound.
- The algorithm can be extended to **mixed integer linear programming**, where some of the variables are integer-valued while the others are real-valued.

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- Branch: Split the search space
- Bound: Exclude unsatisfiable sub-spaces
- We have seen: Depth-first search
- Also possible: Breadth-first search

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- Assume a constraint $\sum_i a_i x_i \leq b$ with $l_i \leq x_i \leq u_i$.
If $a_k > 0$, we have $x_k \leq (b - \sum_{i \neq k} a_i l_i) / a_k$.
If $a_k < 0$, we have $x_k \geq (b - \sum_{i \neq k} a_i u_i) / a_k$.