

COMBINING MACHINE LEARNING WITH DEDUCTION FOR SAT SOLVERS

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Improve the performance and
understanding of SAT solvers using
machine learning techniques

*“The speed and degree of improvements is **declining**.
Now we seem to have faced one of the **ceilings** that
calls for a breakthrough.”
-Chanseok Oh*

Between SAT and UNSAT: The Fundamental Difference in CDCL SAT (2015)

WHY MACHINE LEARNING?

MB/sec of
new data

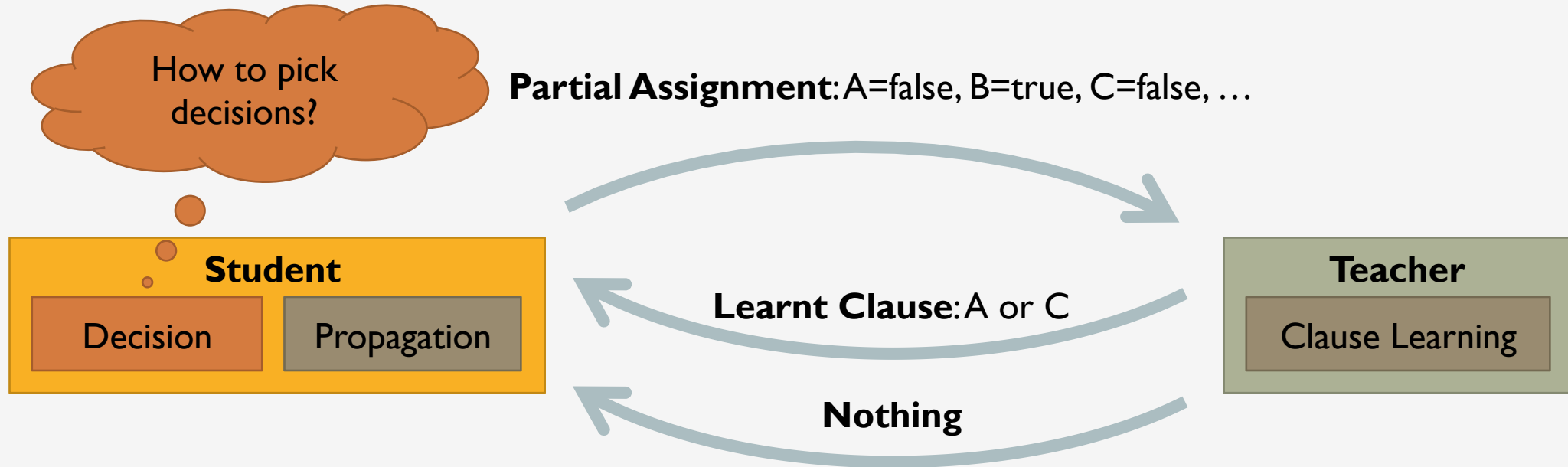
Effective
(LRB)

Theory

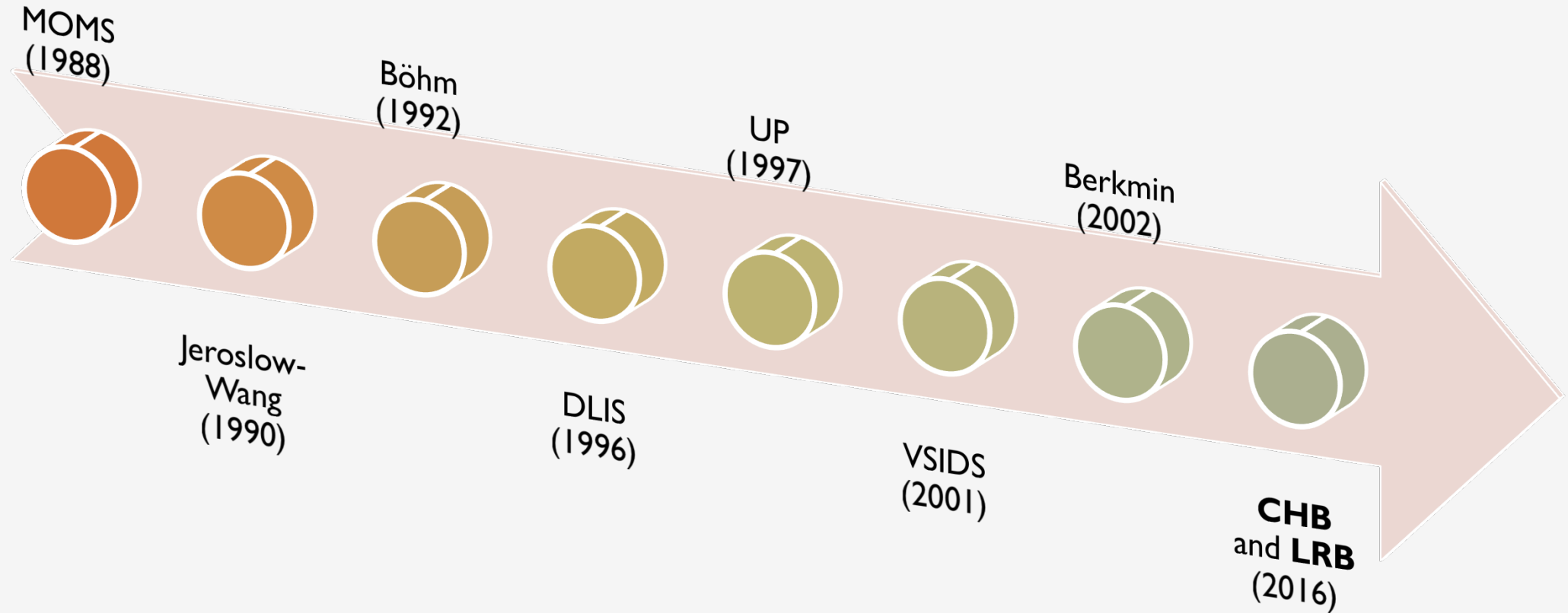
Rich
Literature

Unexplored

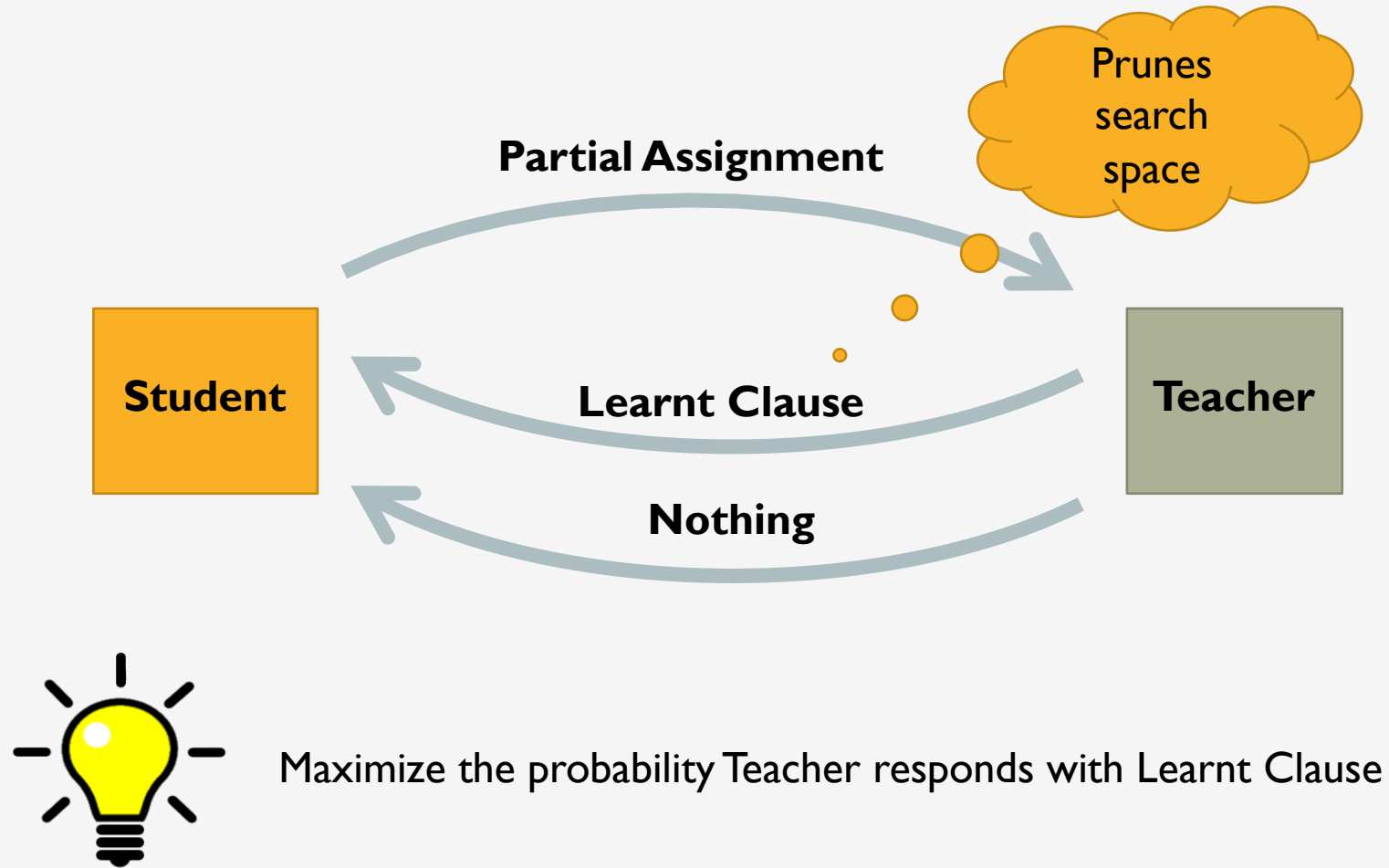
SAT OVERVIEW



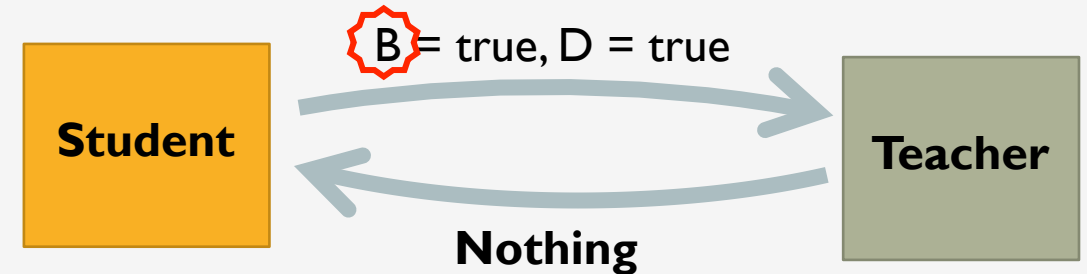
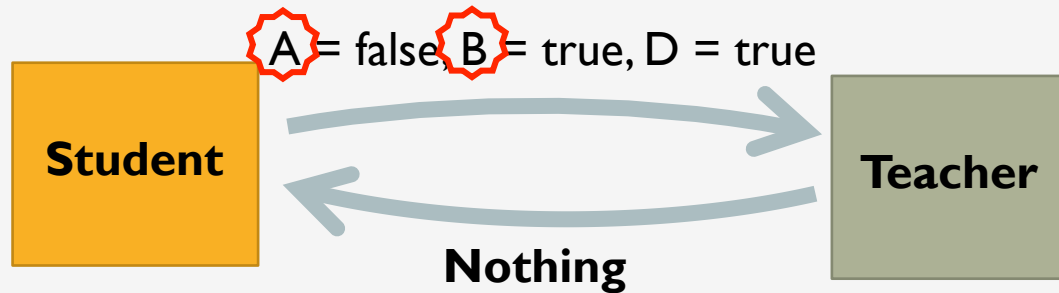
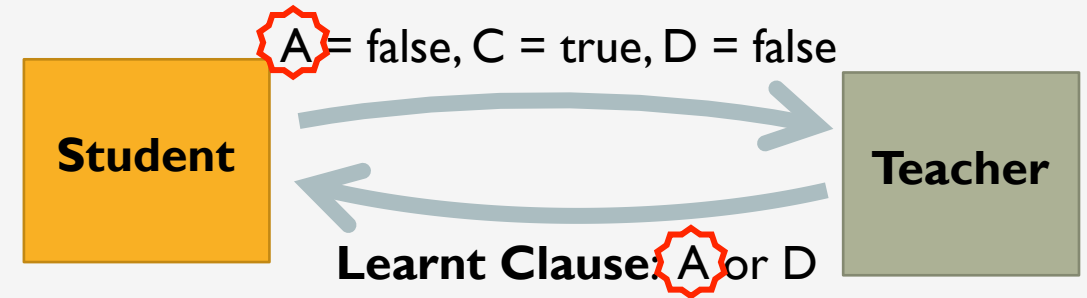
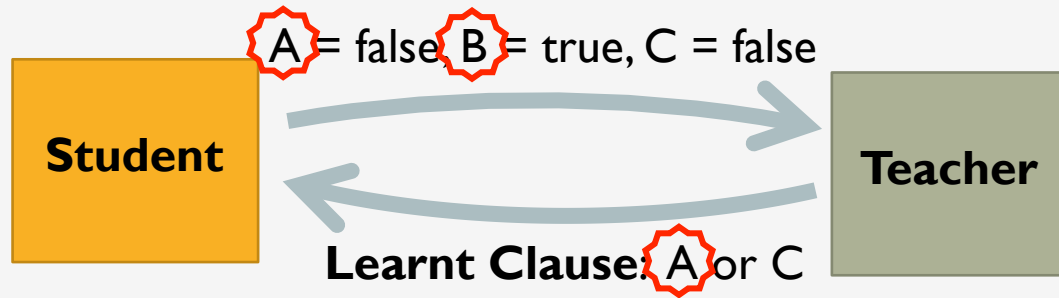
HISTORY OF BRANCHING HEURISTICS



LEARNING RATE OPTIMIZATION

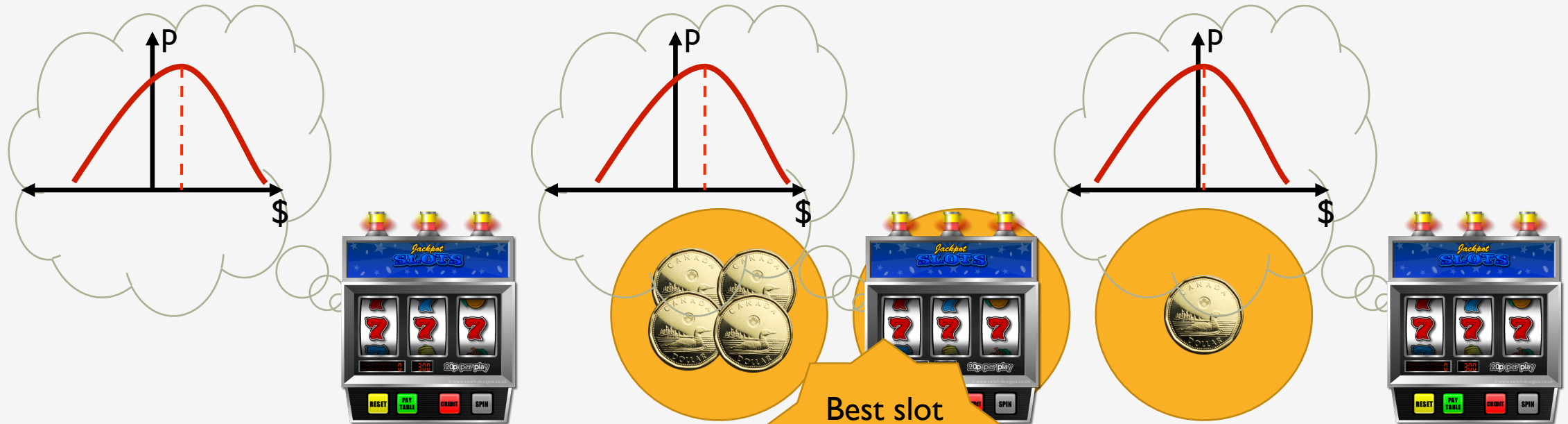


LEARNING BY TRIAL AND ERROR



$$\text{learning_rate}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{X} \text{ is in learnt clause} \mid \mathbf{X} \text{ is assigned \& in conflict})$$

MULTI-ARMED BANDIT



sample average =
exponential moving average =

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \$4 + \frac{1}{3} \times \$3 + \frac{1}{3} \times \$1$$

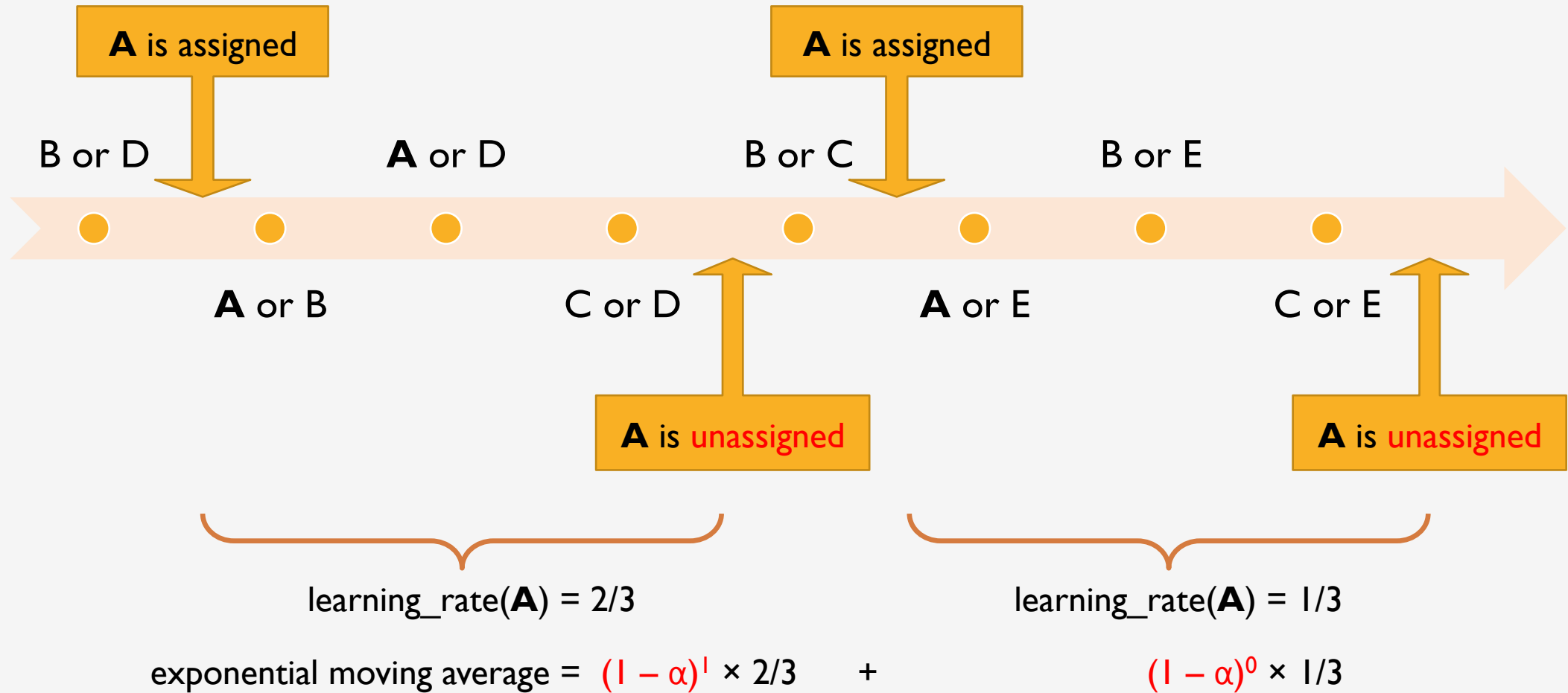
$$(1 - \alpha)^2 \times \$4 + (1 - \alpha)^1 \times \$3 + (1 - \alpha)^0 \times \$1$$

Best slot
machine
to play
(for now)

Less
weight

More
weight

LRB EXAMPLE



EXTENSIONS

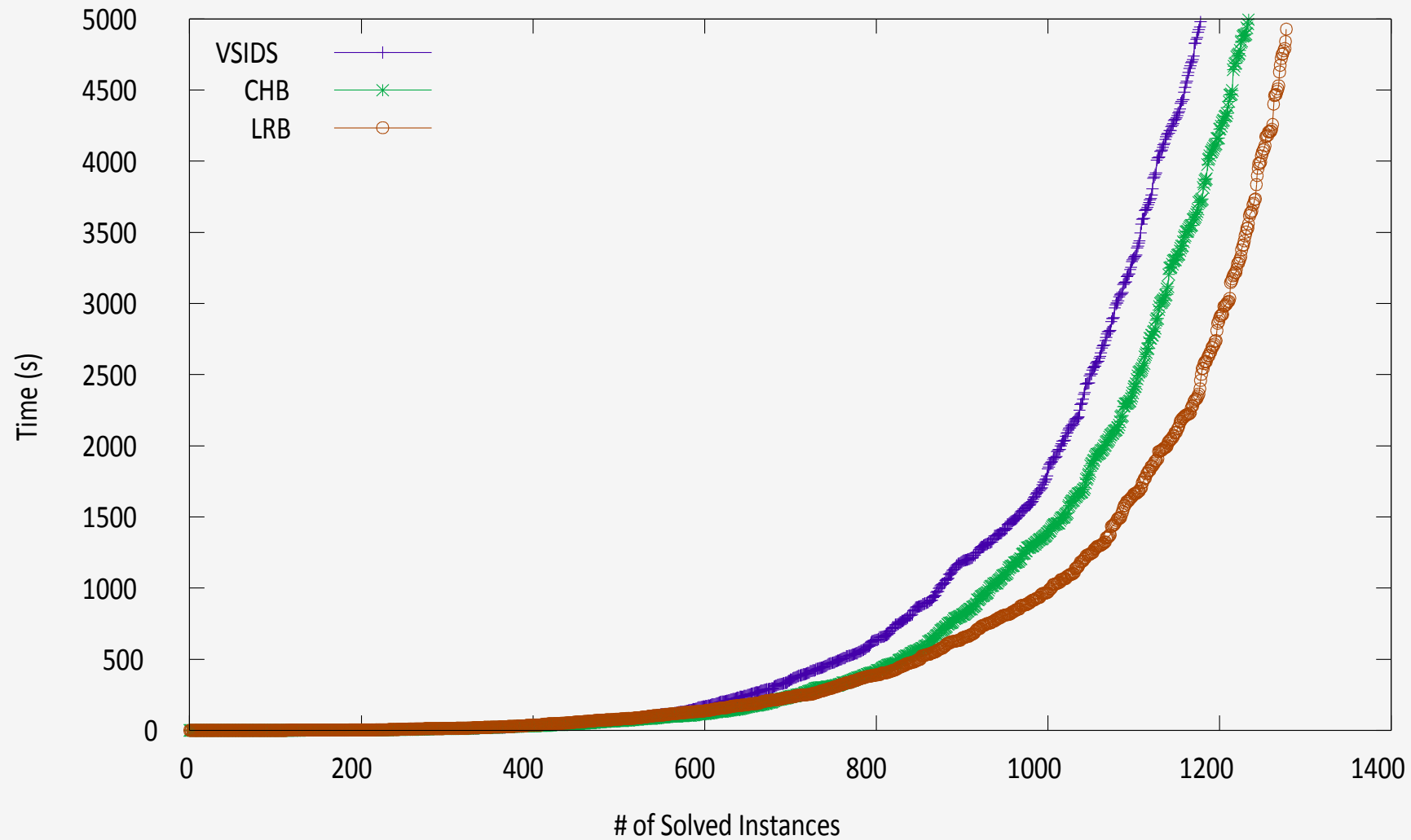
Reason Side Rate

- Prefer variables close in proximity to learnt clause variables.

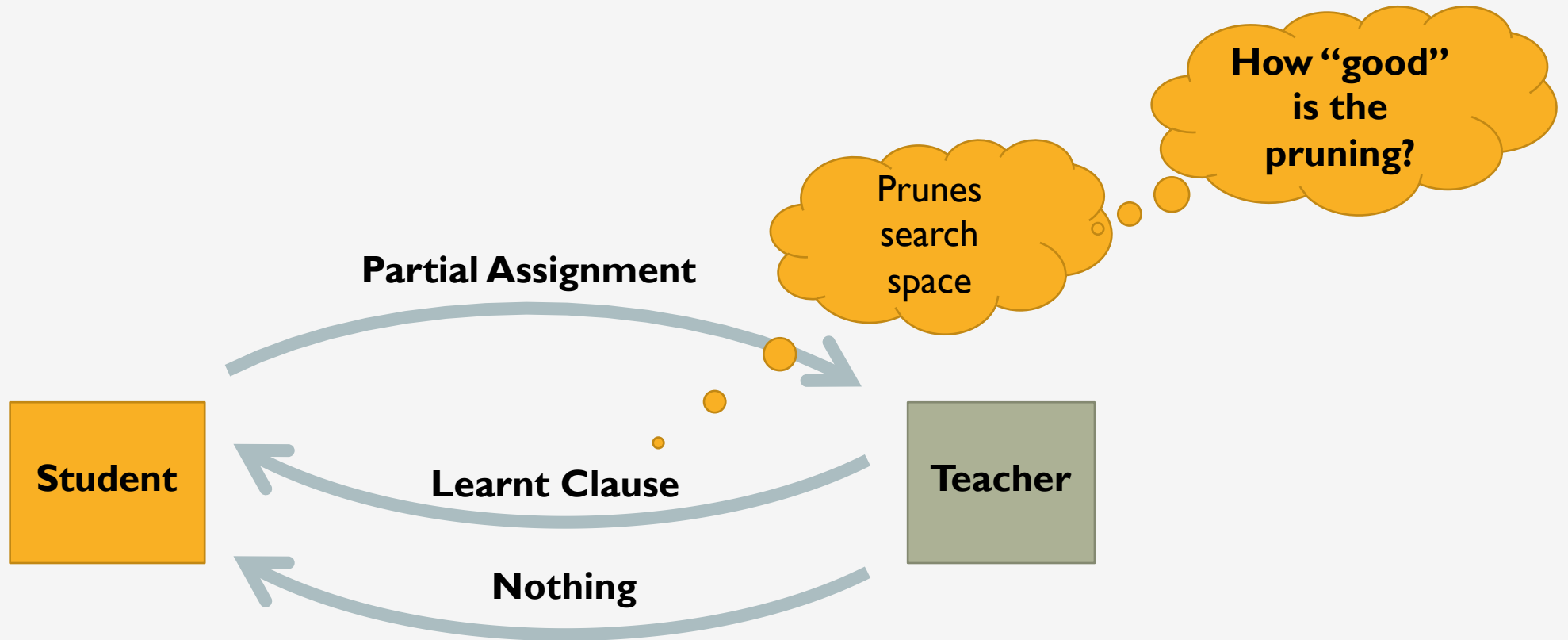
Locality

- Prefer recently assigned variables.

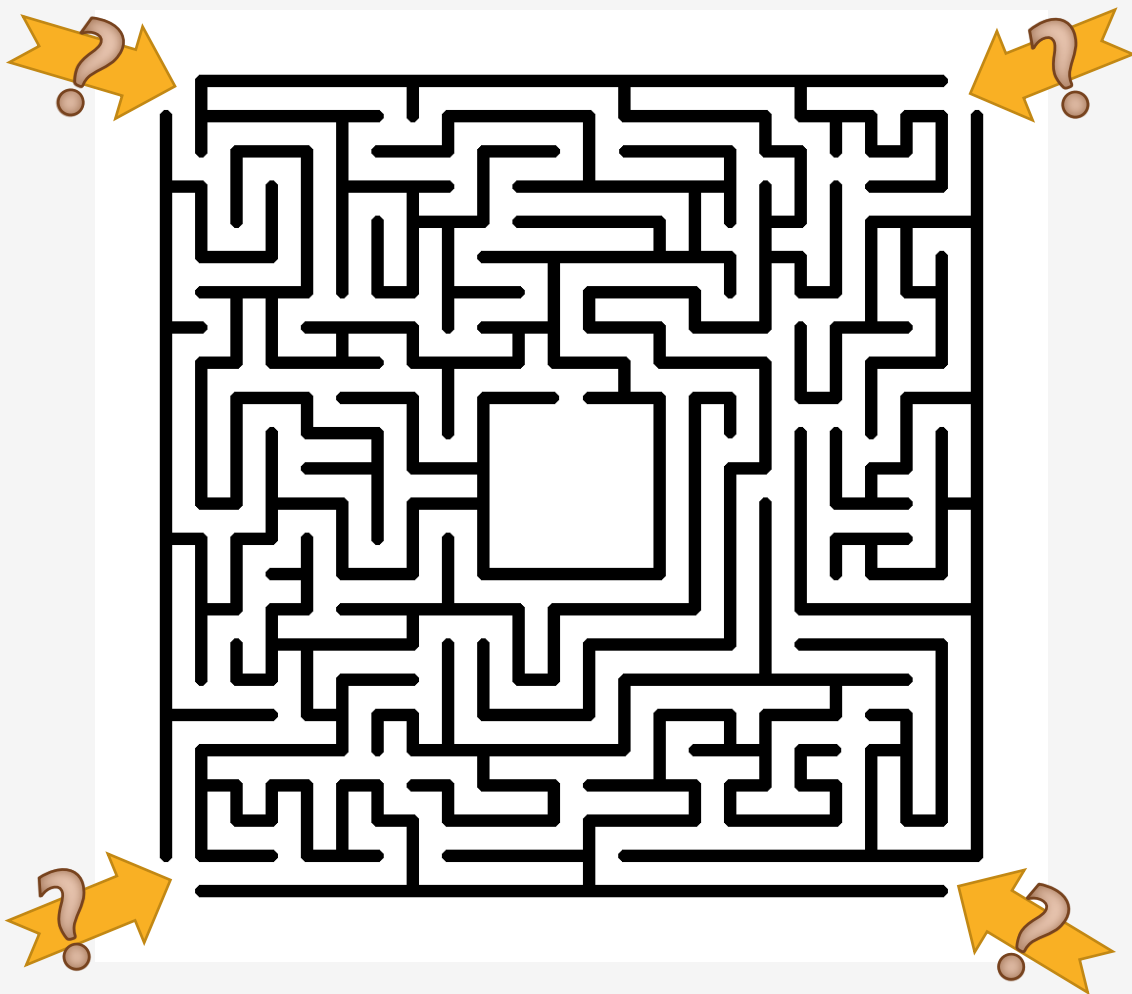
EXPERIMENTAL EVALUATION



FUTURE WORK: QUALITY OF LEARNING OBJECTIVE



FUTURE WORK: VARIABLE RANKING INITIALIZATION



FUTURE WORK: OPTIMIZE CONFLICT ANALYSIS CUT

