

SAT and SMT Solving

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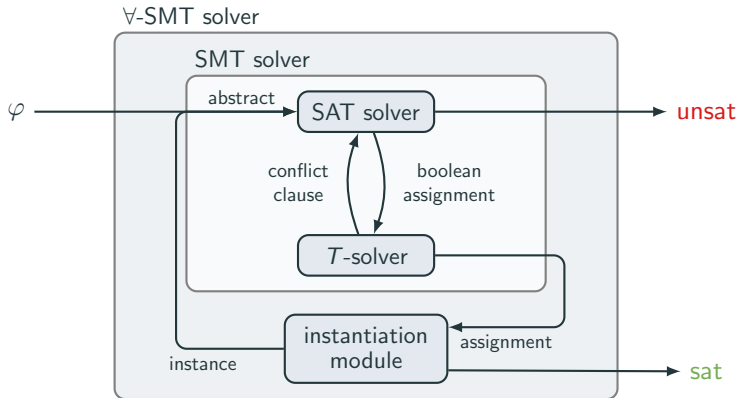
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Outline

- Summary of Last Week
- Bounded Model Checking for Verification
- Test
- Evaluation
- More on SAT and SMT

Instantiation Framework



- ▶ split φ into
 - ▶ literals φ_Q with quantifiers
 - ▶ literals φ_E without quantifiers
- ▶ instantiation module generates instances of φ_Q to extend φ_E

SMT solver is in general no decision procedure in presence of \forall quantifiers

Skolemization

- 1 bring formula into prenex form
- 2 replace $\forall x_1, \dots, x_k \exists y \psi[y]$ by $\forall x_1, \dots, x_k \psi[f(x_1, \dots, x_k)]$ for fresh f until no existential quantifiers left

Theorem

can consider formulas of shape $\forall x_1, \dots, x_n \varphi[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

if φ' is skolemization of φ then φ and φ' are equisatisfiable

Instantiation via E-matching

for each $\forall \bar{x}. \psi$

- ▶ select set of instantiation patterns $\{t_1, \dots, t_n\}$
- ▶ for each t_i let S_i be set of substitutions σ such that $t_i\sigma$ occurs in φ_E
- ▶ add $\{\psi\sigma \mid \sigma \in S_i\}$ to φ_E

Theorem (Stronger Herbrand)

$\varphi_E \wedge \varphi_Q$ is unsatisfiable if and only if there exist infinite series

- ▶ \mathbf{E}_i of finite literals sets
- ▶ \mathbf{Q}_i of finite sets of φ_Q instances

such that

- ▶ $\mathbf{Q}_i \subseteq \{\psi\sigma \mid \forall \bar{x}. \psi \text{ occurs in } \varphi_Q \text{ and } \text{dom}(\sigma) = \bar{x} \text{ and } \text{ran}(\sigma) \subseteq \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{E}_i)\}$
- ▶ $\mathbf{E}_0 = \varphi_E$ and $\mathbf{E}_{i+1} = \mathbf{E}_i \cup \mathbf{Q}_i$
- ▶ some \mathbf{E}_n is unsatisfiable

Instantiation via enumeration

Fix ordering $>$ on tuples of terms without quantified variables.

Given assignment \mathbf{E}_i from T -solver

- ▶ for each $\forall \bar{x}. \psi$ in φ_Q
 - ▶ search minimal $\bar{x}\sigma$ with respect to \succeq such that $\bar{x}\sigma \in \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{E}_i)$ and $\mathbf{E}_i \not\models \psi\sigma$
 - ▶ if exists, add $\{\psi\sigma\}$ to \mathbf{Q}_i

If $\mathbf{Q}_i = \emptyset$ then **sat**, otherwise return \mathbf{Q}_i

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Disastrous Software Bugs

Ariane 5 Flight 501 (1996)

- ▶ destroyed 37 seconds after launch
- ▶ software for Ariane 4 for was reused
- ▶ software error: data conversion from 64-bit floating point to 16-bit integer caused arithmetic overflow
- ▶ cost: 370 million \$

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ariane_5_Flight_501



Mars Exploration Rover “Spirit” (2004)

- ▶ landed on January 4
- ▶ stopped communicating on January 21
- ▶ software error: stuck in reboot loop
- ▶ reboot failed because of flash memory failure, ultimate problem: too many files

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spirit_\(rover\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spirit_(rover))



Heathrow Terminal 5 Opening (2008)

- ▶ baggage system collapsed on opening day
- ▶ 42,000 bags not shipped with their owners, 500 flights cancelled
- ▶ software was tested but did not work properly with real-world load
- ▶ cost 50 million £

<http://www.zdnet.com/article/it-failure-at-heathrow-t5-what-really-happened>



Trading Glitch at Knight Capital (2012)

- ▶ bug in trading software resulted in 45 minutes of uncontrolled buys
- ▶ company did 11% of US trading that year
- ▶ software was run in invalid configuration
- ▶ 440 million \$ lost

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knight_Capital_Group



Death in Self-Driving Car Crash (2018)

- ▶ person died in accident with Uber's self-driving car
- ▶ victim was wrongly classified by software as non-obstacle

<http://www.siliconrepublic.com/companies/uber-bug-crash>



Software is Ubiquitous in Critical Systems

transport, energy, medicine, communication, finance, embedded systems, . . .

How to Ensure Correctness of Software?

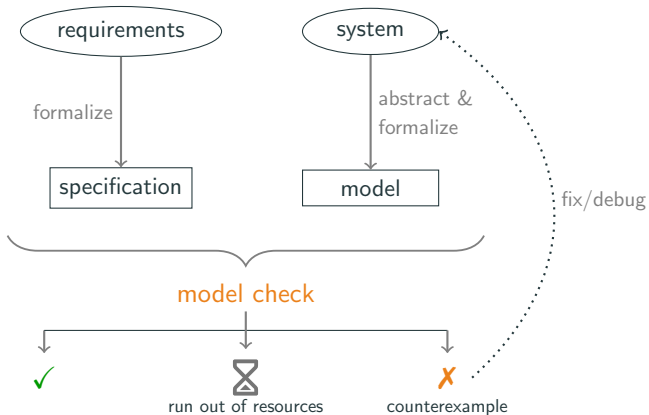
- ▶ **testing**
 - ➕ cheap, simple
 - ➖ checks desired result only for given set of testcases
- ▶ **verification**
 - ➕ can prove automatically that system meets specification, i.e., desired output is delivered for all inputs
 - ➖ more costly

Model Checking

- ▶ widely used verification approach to
 - ▶ find bugs in software and hardware
 - ▶ prove correctness of models
- ▶ Turing Award 2007 for Clarke, Emerson, and Sifakis
- ▶ **bounded** model checking can be reduced to SAT/SMT



Model Checking: Workflow

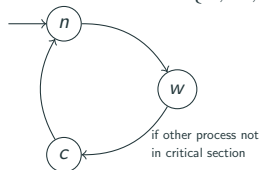


Model Checking Example: Mutex (1)

- ▶ concurrent processes P_0, P_1 share some resource, access controlled by **mutex**
- ▶ program run by P_0, P_1 matches pattern

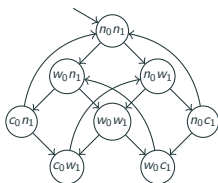
```
# non-critical section
while (other process critical) :
    wait ()
# critical section
# non-critical section
```

- ▶ process can be abstracted to model $\mathcal{M} = \langle S, R \rangle$ with states $S = \{n, w, c\}$ and transitions R :



Model Checking Example: Mutex (2)

- ▶ obtain model for 2 processes by product construction:
write s_0s_1 for P_0 being in state s_0 and P_1 in state s_1
- ▶ desired properties:



- safe:** only one process is in its critical section at any time
- live:** whenever any process wants to enter its critical section, it will eventually be permitted to do so
- non-blocking:** a process can always request to enter its critical section

- ▶ how to formalize desired properties?

safe: $G \neg(c_0 \wedge c_1)$

live: $G(w_0 \rightarrow F c_0)$

non-blocking: $AG(n_0 \rightarrow EX w_0)$

temporal logic, e.g. LTL or CTL

✓ as c_0c_1 unreachable

✗ e.g. $w_0n_1 \rightarrow w_0w_1 \rightarrow w_0c_1 \rightarrow w_0n_1 \rightarrow \dots$

✓

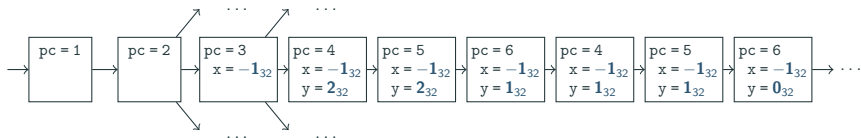
Common Kinds of Properties

- ▶ $G \psi$ for propositional formula ψ is **safety property**
- ▶ $G(\psi \rightarrow F\chi)$ for propositional formulas ψ, χ is **liveness property**

Example: Can This Program Cause An Overflow? (1)

```
1 void main() {  
2   int x = -1;  
3   int y = input();  
4   while (y < 100) {  
5     y = y + x;  
6   }  
7 }
```

- ▶ model checking problem: addition $x + y$ in line 5 does not over/underflow
 - ▶ state is assignment of x , y + value of program counter pc
 - ▶ property $G (pc = 5 \rightarrow ((x > 0_{32} \wedge x + y > y) \vee (x \leq 0_{32} \wedge x + y \leq y)))$
- ▶ (part of) model:

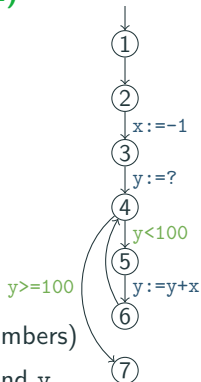


- ▶ but state space is **very** large: $(2^{32})^2 \cdot 7$ for bit width 32
- ▶ cannot check all possible values

Example: Can This Program Cause An Overflow? (2)

```
1 void main() {  
2   int x = -1;  
3   int y = input();  
4   while (y<100) {  
5     y = y+x;  
6   }  
7 }
```

- ▶ construct program graph G
- ▶ $\{1, \dots, 7\}$ are possible values of program counter (line numbers)
- ▶ state is tuple $\langle pc, x, y \rangle$ of values of program counter, x , and y
- ▶ state of form $\langle 1, \dots, \dots \rangle$ is initial state
- ▶ examples of state transitions according to G :
 - ▶ $\langle 4, -1_{32}, 10_{32} \rangle \rightarrow \langle 5, -1_{32}, 10_{32} \rangle$ is possible
 - ▶ $\langle 4, -1_{32}, 101_{32} \rangle \rightarrow \langle 7, -1_{32}, 101_{32} \rangle$ is possible
 - ▶ $\langle 4, 10_{32}, 101_{32} \rangle \rightarrow \langle 5, 10_{32}, 101_{32} \rangle$ is not possible
 - ▶ $\langle 4, -1_{32}, 1_{32} \rangle \rightarrow \langle 5, -1_{32}, 2_{32} \rangle$ is not possible



Example: Can This Program Cause An Overflow? (3)

1 define predicates

- ▶ $I(\langle pc, x, y \rangle) = (pc = 1)$ to characterize initial state
- ▶ to characterize possible state transitions:

$$T(\langle pc, x, y \rangle, \langle pc', x', y' \rangle) =$$

$$(pc = 1 \wedge pc' = 2) \vee (pc = 2 \wedge pc' = 3 \wedge x' = -1) \vee$$

$$(pc = 3 \wedge pc' = 4 \wedge x = x') \vee$$

$$(pc = 4 \wedge pc' = 5 \wedge y < 100 \wedge x = x' \wedge y = y') \vee$$

$$(pc = 5 \wedge pc' = 6 \wedge y' = y + x \wedge x = x') \vee$$

$$(pc = 4 \wedge pc' = 7 \wedge y \geq 100 \wedge x = x' \wedge y = y') \vee$$

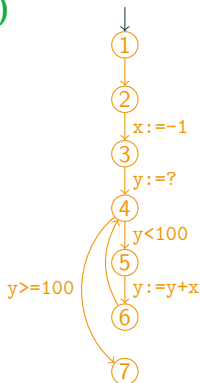
$$(pc = 6 \wedge pc' = 4 \wedge x = x' \wedge y = y')$$

- ▶ $P(\langle pc, x, y \rangle) = (pc = 5) \wedge ((x > \mathbf{0}_{32} \wedge x + y \leq y) \vee (x \leq \mathbf{0}_{32} \wedge (y + x > y)))$

2 for states s_0, \dots, s_k formula φ_k expresses overflow occurring within k steps:

$$\varphi_k = I(s_0) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k-1} T(s_i, s_{i+1}) \wedge \bigvee_{i=0}^k P(s_i)$$

3 if φ_k satisfiable then overflow can occur within k steps, e.g. for $k = 5$ ✨



Bounded Model Checking

- ▶ find counterexamples to desired property of transition system (**bugs**)
- ▶ counterexamples are **bounded** in size

Definition (Transition System)

transition system $\mathcal{T} = (S, \rightarrow, S_0, L)$ where

- ▶ S is set of states
- ▶ $\rightarrow \subseteq S \times S$ is transition relation
- ▶ $S_0 \subseteq S$ is set of initial states
- ▶ A is a set of propositional atoms
- ▶ $L : S \rightarrow 2^A$ is labeling function associating state with subset of A

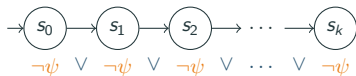
Remark

S and A may be (countably) infinite

Bounded Model Checking: Safety Properties

Idea

given transition system and property $G \psi$, look for counterexamples in $\leq k$ steps



SAT/SMT Encoding

given transition system \mathcal{T} and safety property $G \psi$

- ▶ use **encoding** $\langle s \rangle$ of **state** $s \in S$ by set of SAT/SMT variables
- ▶ use predicates
 - ▶ I for **initial** states such that use $I(\langle s \rangle)$ is true iff $s \in S_0$
 - ▶ T for **transitions** such that $T(\langle s \rangle, \langle s' \rangle)$ is true iff $s \rightarrow s'$ in \mathcal{T}
 - ▶ P such that $P(\langle s \rangle)$ is true iff ψ holds in s
- ▶ use different fresh variables for $k + 1$ states $\langle s_0 \rangle, \dots, \langle s_k \rangle$
- ▶ check satisfiability of

$$I(\langle s_0 \rangle) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k-1} T(\langle s_i \rangle, \langle s_{i+1} \rangle) \wedge \bigvee_{i=0}^k \neg P(\langle s_i \rangle)$$

Bounded Model Checking: Liveness Properties

Idea

- ▶ counterexample to liveness property $G(\psi \rightarrow F\chi)$ requires **infinite** path
- ▶ look for counterexamples in $\leq k$ steps of lasso shape:



SAT/SMT Encoding

given transition system \mathcal{T} and liveness property $G(\psi \rightarrow F\chi)$

- ▶ use encoding of states, predicates I and T as for safety properties
- ▶ predicate P such that $P(\langle s \rangle)$ is true iff ψ holds in s
- ▶ predicate C such that $C(\langle s \rangle)$ is true iff χ holds in s
- ▶ check satisfiability of

$$I(\langle s_0 \rangle) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k-1} T(\langle s_i \rangle, \langle s_{i+1} \rangle) \wedge \bigvee_{i=0}^k \left(P(\langle s_i \rangle) \wedge \bigwedge_{j=i}^k \neg C(\langle s_j \rangle) \wedge \bigvee_{l=i}^k T(\langle s_k \rangle, \langle s_l \rangle) \right)$$

Transition System $\mathcal{T}(P)$ from Program P

- ▶ **state** $\langle pc, v_0, \dots, v_n \rangle$ consists of
 - ▶ value for program counter pc , i.e. line number in P
 - ▶ assignment for variables in scope v_0, \dots, v_n
- ▶ there is **step** $s \rightarrow s'$ for $s = \langle pc, v_0, \dots, v_n \rangle$ and $s' = \langle pc', v'_0, \dots, v'_n \rangle$ iff P admits step from s to s'
- ▶ S_0 consists of **initial program states**
- ▶ **atom set** A consists of all propositional formulas over pc, v_0, \dots, v_n
- ▶ **labeling** $L(s)$ is set of all atoms A which hold in $s = \langle pc, v_0, \dots, v_n \rangle$

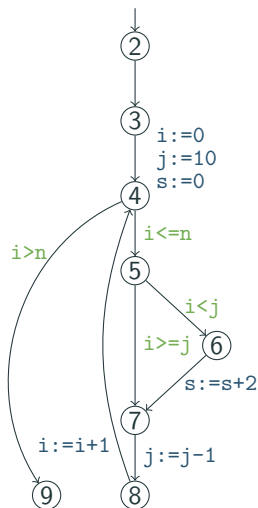
Program Graph

- ▶ nodes are line numbers
- ▶ edge from line l to line l' if program counter can go from line l to l'
- ▶ two kinds of edge labels:
 - ▶ conditions for program counter to take this path
 - ▶ assignments of updated variables
- ▶ program graph is useful to derive encoding of $\mathcal{T}(P)$

Checking an Explicit Assertion

```
1 int n;  
2 int main() {  
3   int i=0, j=10, s=0;  
4   for(i=0; i<=n; i++) {  
5     if (i<j)  
6       s = s + 2;  
7     j--;  
8   }  
9   assert(s==n*2 || s == 0);  
10 }
```

- ▶ construct program graph
- ▶ states are of form $\langle pc, i, j, n, s \rangle$
- ▶ safety property to check is $G (pc = 9 \rightarrow (s = 2n \vee s = 0))$
- ▶ see `verification.py`



Software Verification Competition (SV-COMP)

- ▶ annual competition
<https://sv-comp.sosy-lab.org/2018/>
- ▶ industrial (and crafted) benchmarks
<https://github.com/sosy-lab/sv-benchmarks>
- ▶ many tools use SMT solvers

Common Safety Properties

- ▶ no overflow in addition: $(x > 0 \wedge x + y \geq y) \vee (x \leq 0 \wedge x + y \leq y)$
- ▶ array accesses in bounds: $0 \leq i < \text{size}(a)$ for all accesses $a[i]$
- ▶ memory safety: set predicate $ok(addr)$ when memory allocated, check $ok(p)$ for every dereference $*p$
- ▶ explicit assertions



Armin Biere, Alessandro Cimatti, Edmund M. Clarke, Ofer Strichman, and Yunshan Zhu.
Bounded Model Checking
Advances in Computers 58, pp 117–148, 2003.



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Chapter 14 in: Handbook of Satisfiability, IOS Press, pp. 457–481, 2009.

- ▶ July 1, 14:00, HSB 9 (with René Thiemann)
- ▶ material includes everything up to week 12
- ▶ 60 minutes
- ▶ see test of last year

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- ▶ **LV-Code: 703048**
- ▶ **additional questions**
 - (a) There was too much theory and too little about applications in the course content.
 - (b) In my opinion it makes sense that computer science students learn about using SAT/SMT to solve constraint problems.
 - (c) I think I might use a SAT/SMT solver in the future.
 - (d) I would prefer a different programming language than Python.

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Upcoming Courses

Computational Logic

- ▶ exciting course about theorem proving
- ▶ in summer term 2020 taught by Cezary Kaliszyk and Vincent van Oostrom

Advanced Topics in Term Rewriting

- ▶ exciting course about special topics in term rewriting
- ▶ with some applications of SAT/SMT therein
- ▶ in winter term 2019 taught by Aart Middeldorp

Available Bachelor Projects

Fast Multiset Comparisons

- ▶ multisets are data structures appearing in many applications
- ▶ comparing two multisets is NP-complete problem
- ▶ aim is to implement fast algorithm based on verified SAT solver

Maximal Interpretations

- ▶ investigate applications of maxSAT/maxSMT in termination methods for term rewrite systems
- ▶ implement in Tyrolean Complexity Tool

<http://cl-informatik.uibk.ac.at/teaching/smb/available.php?q=%23Logic>

