

Constraint Solving

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(2 P)

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Week 3

Homework

1. Apply the Branch & Bound algorithm to the formula

 $\varphi = (q \vee \neg r) \wedge (p \vee q \vee r) \wedge \neg p \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q \vee r) \wedge \neg r$

to determine $\max \text{SAT}(\varphi)$.

- 2. On slide 18 we use a CNF encoding of a cardinality constraint.
 - (a) Provide a concrete CNF φ_k^n encoding the cardinality constraint $CNF(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \leq k)$ for arbitrary $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$. The size of the encoding should be polynomial in k and n. (2 P)
 - (b) What is the space complexity (in k and n) of your encoding in big \mathcal{O} notation? Could you improve on your complexity? (1 P)
- 3. Recall the variations of MaxSAT shown on slide 13.
 - (a) Adapt the binary search procedure to also allow for *hard* and *soft* clauses. In other words, we want to find the maximum number of soft clauses that can be satisfied while all hard clauses must be satisfied. (2 P)
 - (b) Further modify the procedure to maximize for the sum of weights of satisfied soft clauses, while satisfying all hard clauses. That is each soft clause C is associated with a weight w(C), and we want to find the largest $score = \sum \{w(C) \mid C \text{ is a satisfied clause}\}.$ (3 P)