

Constraint Solving

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Week 11

Homework

1. Use Nelson-Oppen to determine satisfiability of the following formula over EUF and LIA. For LIA, no decision procedure is necessary, just specify consequences of formulas on paper. (1 P)

$$1 \le x \land x \le 2 \land \mathsf{f}(1) = \mathsf{a} \land \mathsf{f}(x) = \mathsf{b} \land \mathsf{a} = \mathsf{b} + 2 \land \mathsf{f}(2) = \mathsf{f}(1) + 3$$

- 2. Prove that the deterministic Nelson-Oppen method is sound assuming soundness of the non-deterministic Nelson-Oppen method. More specifically, let T_1 and T_2 be convex theories with signature Σ_1 and Σ_2 respectively where $\Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2 = \{=\}$, and $\varphi = \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2$ a formula where $\varphi_1 (\varphi_2)$ is a $\Sigma_1 (\Sigma_2)$ formula. Prove that if the deterministic Nelson-Oppen returns satisfiable, then φ is satisfiable. (2 P)
- 3. Model the existence of a winning strategy for Gomoku¹ in QBF. For this you should encode the board as a set of propositional variables, and construct the following formulas: (2 P)
 - (a) Define a formula $\varphi_{move}^i(b_1, b_2)$ which is true iff b_2 is a valid board after a move of player *i* on the board b_1 , and a formula $\varphi_{win}(b)$ which is true iff some player has won on the board *b*.
 - (b) Encode the following statements as QBF formulas
 - Player one can always win, independent of the moves played by player two.
 - Player two can always win, independent of the moves played by player one.
- 4. In this exercise we will prove that LRA is convex as defined on slide 11. Let $A\vec{x} \leq \vec{c}$ be an LRA problem where $\vec{x} = (x_1 \ x_2 \ \cdots \ x_n)^T$, and $E = \{x_{i_1} = x_{j_1}, \ldots, x_{i_m} = x_{j_m}\}$ is a set of equations over x_1, \ldots, x_n such that $A\vec{x} \leq \vec{c} \implies \bigvee_{x_i = x_j \in E} x_i = x_j$.
 - (a) First show that the set of solutions of an LRA problem is convex in the geometric sence. In other words, prove that for all $\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we have (1 P)

$$A\vec{a} \leqslant \vec{c} \land A\vec{b} \leqslant \vec{c} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \{ (1-\lambda) \cdot \vec{a} + \lambda \cdot \vec{b} \mid 0 \leqslant \lambda \leqslant 1 \} \subseteq \{ \vec{x} \mid A\vec{x} \leqslant \vec{c} \}$$

- (b) Use the statement from (a) to show that for any two points $\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in {\{\vec{x} \mid A\vec{x} \leq \vec{c}\}}$ there exists an equation $x_i = x_j \in E$ such that both $a_i = a_j$ and $b_i = b_j$ holds. (2 P)
- (c) Finally use the statement from (b) to show that $A\vec{x} \leq \vec{c} \implies x_i = x_j$ for some equation (2 P) $x_i = x_j \in E$.

¹https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Gomoku&oldid=1223707331#Rules