



Constraint Solving

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based on a previous course by Aart Middeldorp

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- convert $\sum a_i x_i < b$ to $\sum a_i x_i \leq b - 1$
- convert $\sum a_i x_i \leq b$ to $\sum \frac{a_i}{g} x_i \leq \lfloor \frac{b}{g} \rfloor$ where $g = \gcd(a_1, \dots, a_n)$

Unit-Cube Test

- check $A\vec{z} \leq \vec{b} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} |A_{11}| + \dots + |A_{1n}| \\ \dots \\ |A_{m1}| + \dots + |A_{mn}| \end{pmatrix}$ by simplex
- if \vec{z} is solution, then $\lfloor \vec{z} \rfloor$ is integer solution of $A\vec{x} \leq \vec{b}$

Equality Detection

- $A\vec{x} < \vec{b}$ satisfiable \implies no implied equality
- $\vec{a}_i \vec{x} < b_i$ part of minimal unsat core $\implies \vec{a}_i \vec{x} = b_i$ is implied equation
- reorder equation to $x_j = e_j$, store as part of solution, and eliminate x_j elsewhere

Diophantine Equation Solver

- return “unsat” whenever E contains $\sum a_i x_i = b$ and $\gcd(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ does not divide b
- if E contains equation $\sum a_i x_i = b$ with $|a_k| = 1$ then reorder equation to $x_k = \dots$, store as part of solution and substitute
- otherwise, pick coefficient a_k with minimal absolute value
- rewrite equation as multiples of a_k and remainders: $a_k(x_k + m) + r = 0$
- add equation $x_k = -m + x_t$ to solution for fresh variable x_t , and eliminate x_k

Combined Solver

- first tighten, then perform equality detection and deletion
- tighten again, optionally detect new equalities and delete them
- try simplex as unsat criterion
- try unit-cube test as sat criterion
- decide satisfiability via branch-and-bound algorithm
- translate solution to initial set of variables via detected equalities

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Example (3) Hardware Verification

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- **unsigned encoding** (**binary encoding**) to represent non-negative integers:

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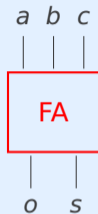
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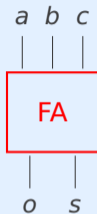
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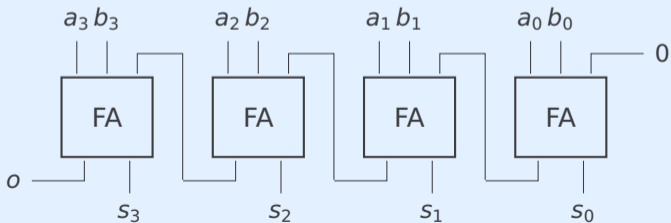


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4 bit ripple carry adder



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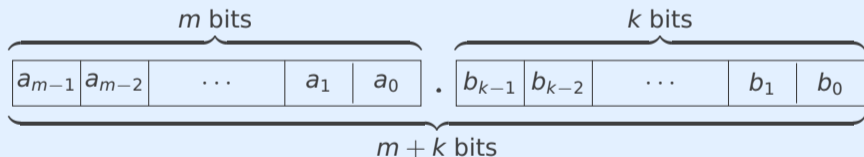
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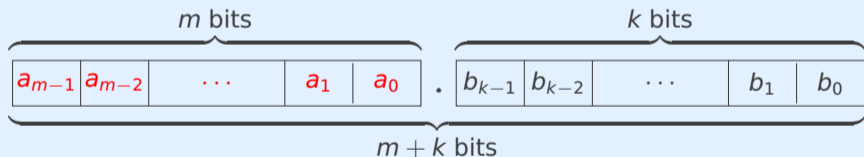
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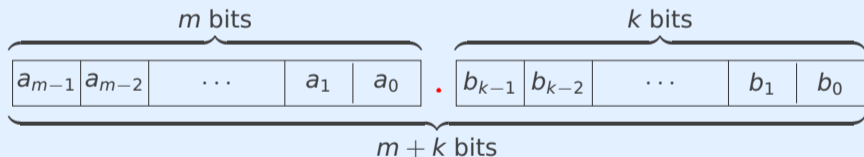


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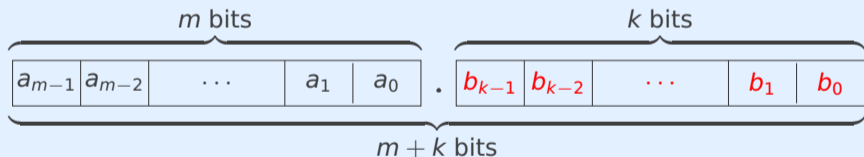


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