



Constraint Solving

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based on a previous course by Aart Middeldorp

Outline

1. Introduction

Organisation

2. Propositional Logic – Review

3. Tseitin's Transformation

4. DPLL

5. Further Reading

Important Information

- LVA 703304 (VO 2) + 703305 (PS 2)
- <http://cl-informatik.uibk.ac.at/teaching/ws21/cs>
- Please register for both VO and PS
- OLAT link for VO

Time and Place

VO	Friday	10:15 – 12:00	SR 13 (except 22.11: HSB 6)	CK & RT
PS	Thursday	10:15 – 12:00	HSB 9	CK & RT

Consultation Hours

Cezary Kaliszyk	3M12	Thursday 12:00–13:00
René Thiemann	3M09 and online	Tuesday 10:00–11:00

Schedule

week 1	08.10 & 14.10	week 6	12.11 & 18.11	week 11	17.12 & 13.01
week 2	21.10	week 7	19.11 & 25.11	week 12	14.01 & 20.01
week 3	22.10 & 28.10	week 8	26.11 & 02.12	week 13	21.01 & 27.01
week 4	29.10 & 04.11	week 9	03.12 & 09.12	week 14	28.01 & 03.02
week 5	05.11 & 11.11	week 10	10.12 & 16.12	week 15	04.02 first exam

Grading — Vorlesung

- first (online) exam on February 04
- registration starts 5 weeks before exam and ends 2 weeks before exam
- de-registration is possible until 23:59 on February 3
- second and third exams in March and September (on demand)

Grading — Proseminar

- solved exercises must be marked in OLAT before 8 am on Thursday (physical marking during physical PS)
- 10 points per PS
- attendance is compulsory; unexcused absence is allowed twice (email solutions to get some points in such cases)
- additional points for presentation of solutions

Literature



Daniel Kröning and Ofer Strichman

Decision Procedures – An Algorithmic Point of View (Second Edition)

Springer, 2016

[online version via Ebook Central](#)

<http://www.decision-procedures.org>



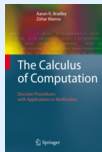
Aaron Bradley and Zohar Manna

The Calculus of Computation – Decision Procedures with Applications to Verification

Springer, 2007

[online version via Ebook Central](#)

<http://theory.stanford.edu/~arbrad/book.html>



Online Material

slides and additional reading material are available from uibk.ac.at domain

- **propositional logic (SAT)**
binary decision diagrams, cardinality constraints, **DPLL**, maxSAT, NP-completeness, unsatisfiable cores
- **satisfiability modulo theories (SMT)**
DPLL(T), Nelson–Oppen combination method
- **equality logic and uninterpreted functions (EUF)**
Ackermann’s reduction, Bryant’s reduction, congruence closure, graph-based reduction
- **linear arithmetic (LIA and LRA)**
branch and bound, cutting planes, difference logic, Fourier–Motzkin variable elimination, omega test, simplex algorithm
- **bit vectors (BV) and floating points (FP)**
bit-vector arithmetic, bounded model checking, fixed-point arithmetic, flattening
- **arrays (AX) and pointers**
array properties, heap-allocated data structures, lazy encoding, pointer logic
- **quantified formulas (QBF)**
Cooper’s method, PSPACE-completeness, quantified boolean formulas, QDPLL, Q-resolution

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Concepts of Propositional Logic

- formula
- assignment
- satisfiability
- validity
- negation normal form (NNF)
- conjunctive normal form (CNF)
- disjunctive normal form (DNF)
- literal

Definition (Propositional Logic: Syntax)

- propositional **formulas** are built from

- atoms** p, q, r, p_1, p_2, \dots
- bottom, top** \perp, \top
- negation** \neg $\neg p$ “not p ”
- conjunction** \wedge $p \wedge q$ “ p and q ”
- disjunction** \vee $p \vee q$ “ p or q ”
- implication** \rightarrow $p \rightarrow q$ “if p then q ”
- equivalence** \leftrightarrow $p \leftrightarrow q$ “ p if and only if q ”

according to **BNF grammar** $\phi ::= p \mid \perp \mid \top \mid (\neg\phi) \mid (\phi \wedge \phi) \mid (\phi \vee \phi) \mid (\phi \rightarrow \phi) \mid (\phi \leftrightarrow \phi)$

- notational conventions:

- binding precedence** $\neg > \wedge, \vee > \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow$ omit outer parentheses
- $\rightarrow, \wedge, \vee$ are **right-associative**: $p \rightarrow q \rightarrow r$ denotes $p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$

Definition (Propositional Logic: Semantics)

- **valuation** (truth **assignment**) is mapping $v: \{p \mid p \text{ is atom}\} \rightarrow \{T, F\}$
- extension to formulas: truth values

- $v(\perp) = F$

- $v(\top) = T$

- $v(\neg\phi) = \begin{cases} T & \text{if } v(\phi) = F \\ F & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

- $v(\phi \wedge \psi) = \begin{cases} T & \text{if } v(\phi) = v(\psi) = T \\ F & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

- $v(\phi \vee \psi) = \begin{cases} F & \text{if } v(\phi) = v(\psi) = F \\ T & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

- $v(\phi \rightarrow \psi) = \begin{cases} F & \text{if } v(\phi) = T \text{ and } v(\psi) = F \\ T & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

- $v(\phi \leftrightarrow \psi) = \begin{cases} T & \text{if } v(\phi) = v(\psi) \\ F & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Definitions

- **semantic entailment**

$$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n \models \psi$$

if $v(\psi) = T$ whenever $v(\phi_1) = v(\phi_2) = \dots = v(\phi_n) = T$, for every valuation v

- formula ϕ is **valid** if $v(\phi) = T$ for every valuation v
- formula ϕ is **satisfiable** if $v(\phi) = T$ for some valuation v
- formulas ϕ and ψ are **equivalent** ($\phi \equiv \psi$) if $v(\phi) = v(\psi)$ for every valuation v
- formulas ϕ and ψ are **equisatisfiable** ($\phi \approx \psi$) if

$$\phi \text{ is satisfiable} \iff \psi \text{ is satisfiable}$$

Theorem

- formula ϕ is valid $\iff \neg\phi$ is unsatisfiable
- validity and satisfiability are **decidable**

Definitions

- **negation normal form (NNF)** is formula without implication and equivalence, and with negation only applied to atoms
- **literal** is atom p or negation $\neg p$ of atom
- **clause** is disjunction of literals
- **conjunctive normal form (CNF)** is conjunction of clauses
- **disjunctive normal form (DNF)** is disjunction of conjunctions of literals

Theorem

\forall formula $\phi \exists$ CNF $\psi \exists$ DNF χ such that $\phi \equiv \psi \equiv \chi$

Satisfiability (SAT)

instance: (propositional) formula ϕ

question: is ϕ satisfiable?

Theorem

SAT is NP-complete, even for CNF formulas

Remark

most SAT solvers require CNF as input

DIMACS Input Format

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c
c comments
c
p cnf 4 3           4 atoms and 3 clauses
1 -2 4 0            $x_1 \vee \neg x_2 \vee x_4$ 
-1 2 -3 -4 0        $\neg x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \neg x_3 \vee \neg x_4$ 
3 -2 0              $x_3 \vee \neg x_2$ 
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Applications of SAT

- Encoding games
<http://cl-informatik.uibk.ac.at/software/puzzles/>
- Strategies and configurations
- Cryptanalysis
- Many graph problems
- Component of reasoning in more complex logics

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Remarks

- translation from arbitrary formula to equivalent CNF is expensive
- **Tseitin's transformation** is linear-time translation to **equisatisfiable** CNF

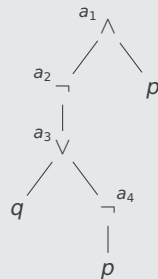
Example (Tseitin's Transformation)

- $\phi = \neg(q \vee \neg p) \wedge p$
- introduce new variable for each propositional connective:

$$a_1 \quad \neg(q \vee \neg p) \wedge p \quad a_3 \quad q \vee \neg p$$

$$a_2 \quad \neg(q \vee \neg p) \quad a_4 \quad \neg p$$

- $\phi \approx a_1 \wedge (a_1 \leftrightarrow a_2 \wedge p) \wedge (a_2 \leftrightarrow \neg a_3) \wedge (a_3 \leftrightarrow q \vee a_4) \wedge (a_4 \leftrightarrow \neg p)$



Lemma

- 1 $(\phi \leftrightarrow \neg\psi) \equiv (\phi \vee \psi) \wedge (\neg\phi \vee \neg\psi)$
- 2 $(\phi \leftrightarrow \psi \wedge \chi) \equiv (\neg\phi \vee \psi) \wedge (\neg\phi \vee \chi) \wedge (\phi \vee \neg\psi \vee \neg\chi)$
- 3 $(\phi \leftrightarrow \psi \vee \chi) \equiv (\phi \vee \neg\psi) \wedge (\phi \vee \neg\chi) \wedge (\neg\phi \vee \psi \vee \chi)$

Example (cont'd)

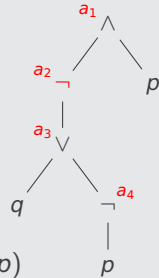
$$\begin{aligned}\phi &\approx a_1 \wedge (a_1 \leftrightarrow a_2 \wedge p) \wedge (a_2 \leftrightarrow \neg a_3) \wedge (a_3 \leftrightarrow q \vee a_4) \wedge (a_4 \leftrightarrow \neg p) \\ &\equiv a_1 \wedge (\neg a_1 \vee a_2) \wedge (\neg a_1 \vee p) \wedge (a_1 \vee \neg a_2 \vee \neg p) \wedge (a_2 \vee a_3) \wedge (\neg a_2 \vee \neg a_3) \\ &\quad \wedge (a_3 \vee \neg q) \wedge (a_3 \vee \neg a_4) \wedge (\neg a_3 \vee q \vee a_4) \wedge (a_4 \vee p) \wedge (\neg a_4 \vee \neg p)\end{aligned}$$

Improvement (Plaisted & Greenbaum 1986)

replace equivalence (\leftrightarrow) by implication (\rightarrow or \leftarrow) based on **polarity** of subformulas

Example (cont'd)

- $\phi = \neg(q \vee \neg p) \wedge p$
- $\phi \approx a_1 \wedge (a_1 \rightarrow a_2 \wedge p) \wedge (a_2 \rightarrow \neg a_3) \wedge (a_3 \leftarrow q \vee a_4) \wedge (a_4 \leftarrow \neg p)$
- $a_1 \rightarrow a_2 \wedge p \equiv (\neg a_1 \vee a_2) \wedge (\neg a_1 \vee p) \wedge (a_1 \vee \neg a_2 \vee \neg p)$
- $a_2 \rightarrow \neg a_3 \equiv (a_2 \vee a_3) \wedge (\neg a_2 \vee \neg a_3)$
- $a_3 \leftarrow q \vee a_4 \equiv (a_3 \vee \neg q) \wedge (a_3 \vee \neg a_4) \wedge (\neg a_3 \vee q \vee a_4)$
- $a_4 \leftarrow \neg p \equiv (a_4 \vee p) \wedge (\neg a_4 \vee \neg p)$
- $\phi \approx a_1 \wedge (\neg a_1 \vee a_2) \wedge (\neg a_1 \vee p) \wedge (\neg a_2 \vee \neg a_3) \wedge (a_3 \vee \neg q) \wedge (a_3 \vee \neg a_4) \wedge (a_4 \vee p)$



replace $a \leftrightarrow \psi$ by $a \rightarrow \psi$ if ψ occurs positively and by $a \leftarrow \psi$ otherwise

Definition

subformula ψ occurs **positively** in formula ϕ if number of negations on path from root of ϕ to root of ψ in parse tree of ϕ is even

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Remarks

- most state-of-the-art SAT solvers are based on variations of **Davis–Putnam–Logemann–Loveland** (DPLL) procedure (1960, 1962)
- **abstract version** of DPLL described in JACM paper of Nieuwenhuis, Oliveras, Tinelli (2006)

Definition (Abstract DPLL)

- states $M \parallel F$ consist of
 - list M of (possibly annotated) non-complementary literals
 - CNF F
- transition rules

$$M \parallel F \implies M' \parallel F' \text{ or fail-state}$$

Example

$$\phi = (\neg 1 \vee \neg 2) \wedge (2 \vee 3) \wedge (\neg 1 \vee \neg 3 \vee 4) \wedge (2 \vee \neg 3 \vee \neg 4) \wedge (1 \vee 4)$$

		\parallel	$\neg 1 \vee \neg 2, 2 \vee 3, \neg 1 \vee \neg 3 \vee 4, 2 \vee \neg 3 \vee \neg 4, 1 \vee 4$	
\Rightarrow	^d 1	\parallel	$\neg 1 \vee \neg 2, 2 \vee 3, \neg 1 \vee \neg 3 \vee 4, 2 \vee \neg 3 \vee \neg 4, \mathbf{1} \vee 4$	decide
\Rightarrow	1 ^d ¬2	\parallel	$\neg 1 \vee \mathbf{\neg 2}, 2 \vee 3, \neg 1 \vee \neg 3 \vee 4, 2 \vee \neg 3 \vee \neg 4, \mathbf{1} \vee 4$	unit propagate
\Rightarrow	1 ^d ¬2 3	\parallel	$\neg 1 \vee \mathbf{\neg 2}, 2 \vee \mathbf{3}, \neg 1 \vee \neg 3 \vee 4, 2 \vee \neg 3 \vee \neg 4, \mathbf{1} \vee 4$	unit propagate
\Rightarrow	1 ^d ¬2 3 4	\parallel	$\neg 1 \vee \mathbf{\neg 2}, 2 \vee \mathbf{3}, \neg 1 \vee \neg 3 \vee \mathbf{4}, 2 \vee \neg 3 \vee \neg 4, \mathbf{1} \vee \mathbf{4}$	unit propagate
\Rightarrow	¬1	\parallel	$\mathbf{\neg 1} \vee \neg 2, 2 \vee 3, \mathbf{\neg 1} \vee \neg 3 \vee 4, 2 \vee \neg 3 \vee \neg 4, 1 \vee 4$	backtrack
\Rightarrow	¬1 4	\parallel	$\mathbf{\neg 1} \vee \neg 2, 2 \vee 3, \mathbf{\neg 1} \vee \neg 3 \vee \mathbf{4}, 2 \vee \neg 3 \vee \neg 4, 1 \vee 4$	unit propagate
\Rightarrow	¬1 4 ^d ¬3	\parallel	$\mathbf{\neg 1} \vee \neg 2, 2 \vee 3, \mathbf{\neg 1} \vee \neg 3 \vee \mathbf{4}, 2 \vee \mathbf{\neg 3} \vee \neg 4, 1 \vee 4$	decide
\Rightarrow	¬1 4 ^d ¬3 2	\parallel	$\mathbf{\neg 1} \vee \neg 2, \mathbf{2} \vee 3, \mathbf{\neg 1} \vee \mathbf{\neg 3} \vee \mathbf{4}, \mathbf{2} \vee \mathbf{\neg 3} \vee \neg 4, 1 \vee 4$	unit propagate

Definition (Transition Rules)

- **unit propagate**
if $M \models \neg C$ and I is undefined in M
$$M \parallel F, C \vee I \implies M I \parallel F, C \vee I$$

unit clause
- **pure literal**
if I occurs in F and I^c does not occur in F and I is undefined in M
$$M \parallel F \implies M I \parallel F$$
- **decide**
if I or I^c occurs in F and I is undefined in M
$$M \parallel F \implies M \overset{d}{I} \parallel F$$
- **fail**
if $M \models \neg C$ and M contains no decision literals
$$M \parallel F, C \implies \text{fail-state}$$
- **backtrack**
if $M \overset{d}{I} N \models \neg C$ and N contains no decision literals
$$M \overset{d}{I} N \parallel F, C \implies M I^c \parallel F, C$$

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Example

$$\phi = (\neg 1 \vee 2) \wedge (\neg 3 \vee 4) \wedge (\neg 5 \vee \neg 6) \wedge (6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2)$$

\Rightarrow		$\parallel \neg 1 \vee 2, \neg 3 \vee 4, \neg 5 \vee \neg 6, 6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2$	
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1}$	$\parallel \neg 1 \vee 2, \neg 3 \vee 4, \neg 5 \vee \neg 6, 6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2$	decide
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2}$	$\parallel \neg 1 \vee 2, \neg 3 \vee 4, \neg 5 \vee \neg 6, 6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2$	unit propagate
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \overset{d}{3}$	$\parallel \neg 1 \vee 2, \neg 3 \vee 4, \neg 5 \vee \neg 6, 6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2$	decide
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \overset{d}{3} \overset{d}{4}$	$\parallel \neg 1 \vee 2, \neg 3 \vee 4, \neg 5 \vee \neg 6, 6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2$	unit propagate
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \overset{d}{3} \overset{d}{4} \overset{d}{5}$	$\parallel \neg 1 \vee 2, \neg 3 \vee 4, \neg 5 \vee \neg 6, 6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2$	decide
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \overset{d}{3} \overset{d}{4} \overset{d}{5} \neg 6$	$\parallel \neg 1 \vee 2, \neg 3 \vee 4, \neg 5 \vee \neg 6, 6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2$	unit propagate
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \neg 5$	$\parallel \neg 1 \vee 2, \neg 3 \vee 4, \neg 5 \vee \neg 6, 6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2$	backjump

conflict is due to $\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2}$ and $\overset{d}{5} \neg 6$ hence $\neg 1 \vee \neg 5$ can be inferred

Definitions

- **backtrack** $M \overset{d}{/} N \parallel F, C \implies M I^c \parallel F, C$
if $M \overset{d}{/} N \models \neg C$ and N contains no decision literals
- **backjump** $M \overset{d}{/} N \parallel F, C \implies M I' \parallel F, C$
if $M \overset{d}{/} N \models \neg C$ and \exists clause $C' \vee I'$ such that
 - $F, C \models C' \vee I'$ **backjump clause**
 - $M \models \neg C'$
 - I' is undefined in M
 - I' or I'^c occurs in F or in $M \overset{d}{/} N$

Example (cont'd)

$\neg 1 \vee \neg 5$ and $\neg 2 \vee \neg 5$ are backjump clauses with respect to $1 \overset{d}{/} 2 \overset{d}{/} 3 \overset{d}{/} 4 \overset{d}{/} 5 \neg 6 \parallel \phi$

Definition

basic DPLL \mathcal{B} consists of transition rules

- **unit propagate** $M \parallel F, C \vee I \implies M I \parallel F, C \vee I$
if $M \models \neg C$ and I is undefined in M
- **decide** $M \parallel F \implies M \overset{d}{I} \parallel F$
if I or I^c occurs in F and I is undefined in M
- **fail** $M \parallel F, C \implies \text{fail-state}$
if $M \models \neg C$ and M contains no decision literals
- **backjump** $M \overset{d}{I} N \parallel F, C \implies M I' \parallel F, C$
if $M \overset{d}{I} N \models \neg C$ and \exists clause $C' \vee I'$ such that
 - $F, C \models C' \vee I'$ and $M \models \neg C'$
 - I' is undefined in M and I' or I'^c occurs in F or in $M \overset{d}{I} N$

Theorem

there are no infinite derivations $\parallel F \Longrightarrow_{\mathcal{B}} S_1 \Longrightarrow_{\mathcal{B}} S_2 \Longrightarrow_{\mathcal{B}} \dots$

Proof

- for list of distinct literals M , $|M|$ is length of M
- measure state $M_0 \overset{d}{l}_1 M_1 \overset{d}{l}_2 M_2 \dots \overset{d}{l}_k M_k \parallel F$ where M_0, \dots, M_k contain no decision literals by tuple $(|M_0|, |M_1|, \dots, |M_k|)$
- compare tuples **lexicographically** using standard order on \mathbb{N}
- every transition step **strictly increases** measure
- measure is **bounded** by $(n + 1)$ -tuple (n, \dots, n) where n is total number of atoms

Example

$\ \phi = (\neg 1 \vee 2) \wedge (\neg 3 \vee 4) \wedge (\neg 5 \vee \neg 6) \wedge (6 \vee \neg 5 \vee \neg 2)$		(0)
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \ \phi$	decide (0, 0)
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \ \phi$	unit propagate (0, 1)
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \overset{d}{3} \ \phi$	decide (0, 1, 0)
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \overset{d}{3} \overset{d}{4} \ \phi$	unit propagate (0, 1, 1)
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \overset{d}{3} \overset{d}{4} \overset{d}{5} \ \phi$	decide (0, 1, 1, 0)
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \overset{d}{3} \overset{d}{4} \overset{d}{5} \neg 6 \ \phi$	unit propagate (0, 1, 1, 1)
\Rightarrow	$\overset{d}{1} \overset{d}{2} \neg 5 \ \phi$	backjump (0, 2)

- **decide** $(m_0, \dots, m_i) <_{\text{lex}} (m_0, \dots, m_i, 0)$
- **unit propagate** $(m_0, \dots, m_i) <_{\text{lex}} (m_0, \dots, m_i + 1)$
- **backjump** $(m_0, \dots, m_i) <_{\text{lex}} (m_0, \dots, m_j + 1)$ with $j < i$

Lemma

- 1 if $\| F \implies_{\mathcal{B}}^* M \| F'$ then
 - $F = F'$
 - M does not contain complementary literals
 - M consists of distinct literals
- 2 if $\| F \implies_{\mathcal{B}}^* M_0 \overset{d}{l_1} M_1 \overset{d}{l_2} M_2 \cdots \overset{d}{l_k} M_k \| F$ with no decision literals in M_0, \dots, M_k then $F, l_1, \dots, l_i \models M_j$ for all $0 \leq i \leq k$

Theorem

if $\| F \Rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}} S_1 \Rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}} \cdots \Rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}} S_n \not\Rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$ then

- 1 $S_n = \text{fail-state}$ if and only if F is unsatisfiable
- 2 $S_n = M \parallel F'$ only if F is satisfiable and $M \models F$

Proof

- 1 (only if) $\| F \Rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^* M \parallel F \Rightarrow_{\text{fail}}$ fail-state
 - M contains no decision literals and $M \models \neg C$ for some C in F
 - $F \models C$ and $F \models M$ and thus $F \models \neg C$ and thus F is unsatisfiable
- 2 $\| F \Rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}^* M \parallel F' \not\Rightarrow_{\mathcal{B}}$
 - $F = F'$ and all literals in F are defined in M , otherwise **decide** is applicable
 - F contains no clause C such that $M \models \neg C$, otherwise **backjump** or **fail** is applicable
 - $M \models F$ and thus F is satisfiable

Terminology

non-chronological backtracking or conflict-driven backtracking

Question

how to find good backjump clauses ?

Answer

use conflict graph

Observation

restarts are useful to avoid wasting too much time in parts of search space without satisfying assignments

- restart

$$M \parallel F \implies \parallel F$$

Final Remarks

- restarts do not compromise completeness if number of steps between consecutive restarts strictly increases
- modern SAT solvers additionally incorporate
 - heuristics for selecting next decision literal
 - special data structures that allow for efficient unit propagation

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Kröning and Strichmann

- Chapter 1
- Chapter 2

Further Reading

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Boolean Satisfiability: Theory and Engineering
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Important Concepts

- abstract DPLL
- atom
- basic DPLL
- backjump
- backtrack
- bottom
- clause
- complementary literals
- conflict graph
- conjunction
- conjunctive normal form
- cut
- decide
- disjunction
- disjunctive normal form
- equisatisfiability
- fail-state
- implication
- literal
- negation
- polarity
- pure literal
- restart
- right-associativity
- satisfiability
- semantic entailment
- semantic equivalence
- Tseitin's transformation
- tautology
- top
- truth table
- truth values
- unique implication point (UIP)
- unit propagation
- validity
- valuation