

# SAT and SMT Solving

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- Summary of Last Week
- Bit Vectors

# Satisfiability in Linear Integer Arithmetic

## Fact

for every LIA problem can compute bounds to get equisatisfiable bounded problem, so BranchAndBound terminates

## Definition (Cut)

given solution  $\alpha$  to problem over  $\mathbb{Q}^n$ , cut is inequality  $a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n \leq b$  which is not satisfied by  $\alpha$  but by every  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ -solution

# Gomory Cuts

## Gomory Cuts: Assumptions

- ▶ DPLL( $T$ ) Simplex returned solution  $\alpha$  and final tableau  $A$  such that

$$A\bar{x}_I = \bar{x}_D$$

$$l_j \leq x_j \leq u_j$$

- ▶ for some  $x_i \in D$  have  $\alpha(x_i) \notin \mathbb{Z}$  and for all  $x_j \in I$  value  $\alpha(x_j)$  is  $l_j$  or  $u_j$

## Notation

- ▶ write  $c = \alpha(x_i) - \lfloor \alpha(x_i) \rfloor$
- ▶ split independent variables  $I$  into  $L = \{x_j \mid \alpha(x_j) = l_j\}$  and  $U = \{x_j \mid \alpha(x_j) = u_j\}$
- ▶  $L^+ = \{x_j \in L \mid \alpha(x_j) = l_j \text{ and } A_{ij} \geq 0\}$      $U^+ = \{x_j \in U \mid \alpha(x_j) = u_j \text{ and } A_{ij} \geq 0\}$   
 $L^- = \{x_j \in L \mid \alpha(x_j) = l_j \text{ and } A_{ij} < 0\}$      $U^- = \{x_j \in U \mid \alpha(x_j) = u_j \text{ and } A_{ij} < 0\}$

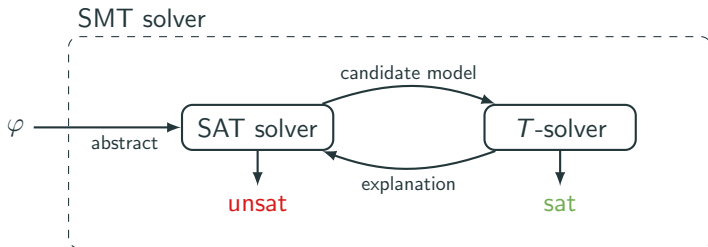
## Lemma (Gomory Cut)

$$\sum_{x_j \in L^+} \frac{A_{ij}}{1-c} (x_j - l_j) - \sum_{x_j \in U^-} \frac{A_{ij}}{1-c} (u_j - x_j) - \sum_{x_j \in L^-} \frac{A_{ij}}{c} (x_j - l_j) + \sum_{x_j \in U^+} \frac{A_{ij}}{c} (u_j - x_j) \geq 1$$

# Outline

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# Theories in SMT Solving

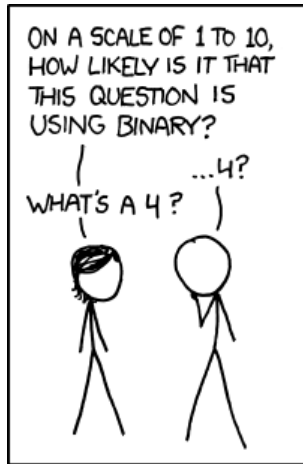


## Theory $T$

- ▶ equality logic
- ▶ equality + uninterpreted functions (EUF)
- ▶ linear real arithmetic (LRA)
- ▶ linear integer arithmetic (LIA)
- ▶ bitvectors (BV)
- ▶ arrays (A)

## $T$ -solving method

- equality graphs ✓
- congruence closure ✓
- Simplex ✓
- Simplex + cuts + bounds ✓
- bit-blasting



## Disclaimer

rest of lecture assumes brains in binary mode

# Flashback to the Binary World

## Binary representation

- ▶  $k$ -bit representation of non-negative number  $n$



denoted  $n_k$

- ▶ ... of negative number  $-n$  is  $(\sim n_k) + 1_k$

2-complement

## Operations on binary numbers

(for fixed bitwidth)

- ▶  $\&$ ,  $|$ , and  $\sim$  are bitwise and, or, and negation
- ▶  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$  are addition, subtraction, and multiplication (with overflow)

## Example

▶  $5_4$ 

0	1	0	1
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▶  $13_4$ 

1	1	0	1
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▶  $5_4 \& 13_4$ 

0	1	0	1
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▶  $5_4 | 13_4$ 

1	1	0	1
---	---	---	---

▶  $\sim 5_4$ 

1	0	1	0
---	---	---	---

▶  $5_4 + 1_4$ 

0	1	1	0
---	---	---	---

▶  $5_4 + 13_4$ 

0	0	1	0
---	---	---	---

▶  $-5_4$ 

1	0	1	1
---	---	---	---

▶  $-1_4$ 

1	1	1	1
---	---	---	---



## Comparison operators

- ▶  $<_u, \leq_u, \dots$  considers operands as **unsigned** numbers
- ▶  $<_s, \leq_s, \dots$  considers operands as **signed** numbers

## Example

- ▶  $3_4$ 

0	0	1	1
---	---	---	---

 $<_u$ 

1	1	0	1
---	---	---	---

 $13_4$
- ▶  $3_4$ 

0	0	1	1
---	---	---	---

 $\nless_s$ 

1	1	0	1
---	---	---	---

 $-3_4$

## Binary operations and sign

- ▶  $+, -, \times$  work independently of whether operands are considered signed
- ▶ division and modulo depend on signedness: distinguish  $\div_u, \%_u$  and  $\div_s, \%_s$

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## Definition (Bit Vector Theory)

for bitwidth  $k$ , theory  $BV_k$  is given by

- ▶ signature
  - ▶ constants  $n_k$  for all  $n < 2^k$
  - ▶ binary function symbols  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$ ,  $\div_u$ ,  $\div_s$ ,  $\%_u$ ,  $\%_s$ ,  $\ll$ ,  $\gg_u$ ,  $\gg_s$ ,  $\&$ ,  $|$ ,  $\wedge$
  - ▶ unary function symbols  $-$  and  $\sim$
  - ▶ predicates  $=$ ,  $\neq$ ,  $\geq_u$ ,  $\geq_s$ ,  $>_u$ , and  $>_s$
- ▶ **axioms** are equality axioms plus all correct arithmetic, comparison, and bit operations on binary numbers with  $k$  bits

## Remark

- ▶ theories  $BV_{k_1}, \dots, BV_{k_m}$  of different bit widths can be combined
- ▶ can also use binary  $::$  for concatenation and unary  $(\cdot)[i:j]$  to extract bits

## Definitions

- ▶ **variable**  $\mathbf{x}_k$  is list of length  $k$  of propositional variables  $x_{k-1} \dots x_2 x_1 x_0$
- ▶ **valuation**  $v$  assigns element in  $\{T, F\}^k$  to variable  $\mathbf{x}_k$ ,  
(usually written as binary number with  $k$  bits)

## Examples

►  $\mathbf{x}_4 + \mathbf{y}_4 = \mathbf{7}_4$

satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{x}_4) = \mathbf{4}_4$  and  $v(\mathbf{y}_4) = \mathbf{3}_4$

►  $\mathbf{x}_4 + \mathbf{2}_4 <_u \mathbf{x}_4$

satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{x}_4) = \mathbf{15}_4$

overflow semantics!

►  $(\mathbf{x}_4 \times \mathbf{y}_4 = \mathbf{6}_4) \wedge (\mathbf{x}_4 \& \mathbf{y}_4 = \mathbf{2}_4)$

satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{x}_4) = \mathbf{3}_4$ ,  $v(\mathbf{y}_4) = \mathbf{2}_4$

►  $(\mathbf{x}_4 \geq_u \mathbf{y}_4) \wedge \neg(\mathbf{x}_4 \geq_s \mathbf{y}_4)$

satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{x}_4) = \mathbf{8}_4$ ,  $v(\mathbf{y}_4) = \mathbf{0}_4$

►  $(\mathbf{x}_4 \ll \mathbf{2}_4 = \mathbf{12}_4) \wedge (\mathbf{x}_4 + \mathbf{1}_4 = \mathbf{12}_4)$

satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{x}_4) = \mathbf{11}_4$

►  $(\mathbf{8}_4 \ggg_u \mathbf{2}_4 = \mathbf{2}_4) \wedge (\mathbf{8}_4 \ggg_s \mathbf{2}_4 = \mathbf{14}_4)$

holds

►  $(\mathbf{x}_4[1:0] :: \mathbf{x}_4[3:2] = \mathbf{2}_4) \wedge (\mathbf{y}_4[2:0] = \mathbf{7}_3)$

satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{x}_4) = \mathbf{8}_4$  and  $v(\mathbf{y}_4) = \mathbf{15}_4$

$\ggg_u$  shifts in 0s,  
 $\ggg_s$  shifts in sign bits

$\mathbf{x}[i:j]$  denotes  $x_i \dots x_j$   
and  $::$  is concatenation

## Notation for Constants

- ▶  $\mathbf{n}_k$  is binary representation of  $n$  in  $k$  bits
- ▶  $\mathbf{xn}_k$  is binary representation of hexadecimal  $n$  in  $k$  bits

## Example

- ▶  $\mathbf{0}_1, \mathbf{3}_2, \mathbf{10}_4, \mathbf{1024}_{32, \dots}$
- ▶  $\mathbf{x0}_4, \mathbf{xa}_4, \mathbf{xb0}_8, \mathbf{x11cf}_{16}, \mathbf{xffffffff}_{32, \dots}$

## More examples

negation uses two's complement

- ▶  $-\mathbf{a}_4 = \mathbf{a}_4$   
satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{a}_4) = -\mathbf{8}_4 = \mathbf{x8}_4$
- ▶  $\mathbf{a}_8 \div_u \mathbf{b}_8 = \mathbf{a}_8 \ggg_u \mathbf{1}_8$   
satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{a}_8) = \mathbf{8}_8$  and  $v(\mathbf{b}_8) = \mathbf{2}_8$

satisfied by powers of 2 (and 0)

- ▶  $\mathbf{a}_8 \& (\mathbf{a}_8 - \mathbf{1}_8) = \mathbf{0}_8$   
satisfiable:  $v(\mathbf{a}_8) = \mathbf{8}_8$  or  $\mathbf{x0}_8, \mathbf{x1}_8, \mathbf{x2}_8, \mathbf{x4}_8, \mathbf{x8}_8, \mathbf{x10}_8, \mathbf{x20}_8, \mathbf{x40}_8, \mathbf{x80}_8$

## Remarks

- ▶ theory is decidable because carrier is finite
- ▶ common decision procedures use translation to SAT (**bit blasting**)
  - ▶ eager: no  $DPLL(T)$ , bit-blast entire formula to SAT problem
  - ▶ lazy: second SAT solver as BV theory solver, bit-blast only BV atoms
- ▶ solvers heavily rely on **preprocessing via rewriting**

## Example (Preprocessing)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_1 \neq \mathbf{0}_1 \wedge (\mathbf{y}_3 :: \mathbf{x}_1) \%_u \mathbf{2}_4 = \mathbf{0}_4 &\rightarrow \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{1}_1 \wedge (\mathbf{y}_3 :: \mathbf{x}_1) \%_u \mathbf{2}_4 = \mathbf{0}_4 \\ &\rightarrow (\mathbf{y}_3 :: \mathbf{1}_1) \%_u \mathbf{2}_4 = \mathbf{0}_4 \rightarrow \mathbf{F} \end{aligned}$$

## Definition (Bit Blasting: Formulas)

bit blasting transformation **B** transforms BV formula into propositional formula:

$$\mathbf{B}(\varphi \vee \psi) = \mathbf{B}(\varphi) \vee \mathbf{B}(\psi)$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\varphi \wedge \psi) = \mathbf{B}(\varphi) \wedge \mathbf{B}(\psi)$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\neg \varphi) = \neg \mathbf{B}(\varphi)$$

$$\mathbf{B}(t_1 \text{ rel } t_2) = \mathbf{B}_r(u_1 \text{ rel } u_2) \wedge \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \quad \text{if } \mathbf{B}_t(t_1) = (u_1, \varphi_1) \text{ and } \mathbf{B}_t(t_2) = (u_2, \varphi_2)$$

bit blasting  $\mathbf{B}_t$  for term  $t$   
returns (result  $u$ , side condition  $\varphi$ )

$\mathbf{B}_r$  transforms atom into propositional formula

## Definition (Bit Blasting: Atoms)

for bit vectors  $\mathbf{x}_k$  and  $\mathbf{y}_k$  set

► equality

$$\mathbf{B}_r(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{y}_{k+1}) = (x_k \leftrightarrow y_k) \wedge \cdots \wedge (x_1 \leftrightarrow y_1) \wedge (x_0 \leftrightarrow y_0)$$

► inequality

$$\mathbf{B}_r(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} \neq \mathbf{y}_{k+1}) = (x_k \oplus y_k) \vee \cdots \vee (x_1 \oplus y_1) \vee (x_0 \oplus y_0)$$

► unsigned greater-than or equal

$$\mathbf{B}_r(\mathbf{x}_1 \geq_u \mathbf{y}_1) = y_0 \rightarrow x_0$$

$$\mathbf{B}_r(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} \geq_u \mathbf{y}_{k+1}) = (x_k \wedge \neg y_k) \vee ((x_k \leftrightarrow y_k) \wedge \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}[k-1:0] \geq \mathbf{y}[k-1:0]))$$

► unsigned greater-than

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_k >_u \mathbf{y}_k) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_k \geq \mathbf{y}_k) \wedge \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}_k \neq \mathbf{y}_k)$$

## Definition (Bit Blasting: Bitwise Operations)

for bit vectors  $\mathbf{x}_k$  and  $\mathbf{y}_k$  use fresh variable  $\mathbf{z}_k$  and set

► bitwise and

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k \& \mathbf{y}_k) = (\mathbf{z}_k, \varphi) \quad \varphi = \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k-1} z_i \leftrightarrow (x_i \wedge y_i)$$

► bitwise or

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{y}_k) = (\mathbf{z}_k, \varphi) \quad \varphi = \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k-1} z_i \leftrightarrow (x_i \vee y_i)$$

► bitwise exclusive or

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k \wedge \mathbf{y}_k) = (\mathbf{z}_k, \varphi) \quad \varphi = \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k-1} z_i \leftrightarrow (x_i \oplus y_i)$$

► bitwise negation

$$\mathbf{B}_t(-\mathbf{x}_k) = (\mathbf{z}_k, \varphi) \quad \varphi = \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k-1} z_i \leftrightarrow \neg x_i$$

## Definition (Bit Blasting: Concatenation, Extraction, If)

### ► concatenation

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k :: \mathbf{y}_m) = (\mathbf{x}_k \mathbf{y}_m, \top)$$

for bit vectors  $\mathbf{x}_k$  and  $\mathbf{y}_m$

### ► extraction

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}[n:m]) = (\mathbf{z}_{n-m+1}, \varphi) \quad \varphi = \bigwedge_{i=0}^{n-m} z_i \leftrightarrow x_{i+m}$$

for bit vector  $\mathbf{x}_k$ ,  $k > n \geq m \geq 0$  and fresh variable  $\mathbf{z}_{n-m+1}$

### ► if-then-else

$$\mathbf{B}_t(p ? \mathbf{x}_k : \mathbf{y}_k) = (\mathbf{z}_k, \varphi) \quad \varphi = \bigwedge_{i=0}^{k-1} (p \rightarrow (z_i \leftrightarrow x_i)) \wedge (\neg p \rightarrow (z_i \leftrightarrow y_i))$$

for formula  $p$  and bit vectors  $\mathbf{x}_k$  and  $\mathbf{y}_k$



## Definition (Bit Blasting: Addition and Subtraction)

### ► addition

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{y}_k) = (\mathbf{s}_k, \varphi)$$

where

$$\varphi = (c_0 \leftrightarrow x_0 \wedge y_0) \wedge (s_0 \leftrightarrow x_0 \oplus y_0) \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^{k-1} (c_i \leftrightarrow \text{min2}(x_i, y_i, c_{i-1})) \wedge (s_i \leftrightarrow x_i \oplus y_i \oplus c_{i-1})$$

ripple-carry adder:  
 $\mathbf{c}_k$  are carry bits

for fresh variables  $\mathbf{s}_k$  and  $\mathbf{c}_k$  and  $\text{min2}(a, b, d) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge d) \vee (b \wedge d)$

### ► unary minus

$$\mathbf{B}_t(-\mathbf{x}_k) = \mathbf{B}_t(\sim \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{1}_k)$$

### ► subtraction

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{y}_k) = \mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k + (-\mathbf{y}_k))$$

## Definition (Bit Blasting: Multiplication and Division)

for bit vectors  $\mathbf{x}_k$  and  $\mathbf{y}_k$  set

### ► multiplication

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k \times \mathbf{y}_k) = \mathbf{B}_t(\text{mul}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k, 0))$$

where mul is defined by recursion on last argument:

$$\text{mul}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k, k) = \mathbf{0}_k$$

$$\text{mul}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k, i) = \text{mul}(\mathbf{x}_k \ll \mathbf{1}_k, \mathbf{y}_k, i+1) + (y_i ? \mathbf{x}_k : \mathbf{0}_k) \quad \text{if } i < k$$

shift-and-add

### ► unsigned division

$$\mathbf{B}_t(\mathbf{x}_k \div_u \mathbf{y}_k) = (\mathbf{q}_k, \varphi)$$

$$\varphi = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{y}_k \neq \mathbf{0}_k \rightarrow (\mathbf{q}_k \times \mathbf{y}_k + \mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{x}_k \wedge \mathbf{r}_k < \mathbf{y}_k \wedge \mathbf{q}_k < \mathbf{x}_k))$$

for fresh variables  $\mathbf{q}_k$  and  $\mathbf{r}_k$

## Example (SMT-LIB 2 for BV)

$(a_4 + b_4 <_u b_4) \wedge (a_4 \neq 10_4) \wedge (a_4 \& b_4 = 8_4)$  is expressed as

```
(declare-const a (_ BitVec 4))
(declare-const b (_ BitVec 4))
(assert (bvult (bvadd a b) b))
(assert (not (= a #xa)))
(assert (= (bvand a b) #b1000))
(check-sat)
```



## Bit vectors in SMT-LIB 2

- ▶ `(_ BitVec k)` is sort of bitvectors of length  $k$
- ▶ `#xa` is constant in hexadecimal
- ▶ `#b1000` is constant in binary
- ▶ `bvadd`, `bvsub`, `bvmul` are arithmetic operations, `bvudiv` and `bvsdiv` are unsigned and signed division
- ▶ `bvult` and `bvule` are unsigned, `bvslt` and `bvsle` are signed  $<$  and  $\leq$
- ▶ `bvshl`, `bvlshr`, `bvashr` are shifts
- ▶ `bvand`, `bvor` are bitwise logical operations

## Bit Vectors in python/z3

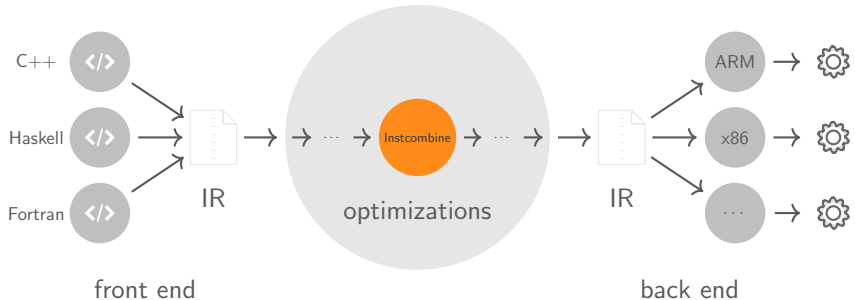
```
from z3 import *
x = BitVec("x", 8)
y = BitVec("y", 8)
zero = BitVecVal(0, 8)
one = BitVecVal(1, 8)
r = y ^ ((x ^ y) & (zero - (If(x < y, one, zero))))
m = If(x < y, x, y)
solve(r != m) # shorthand for checking single formula
```

- ▶ `BitVec(name, k)` creates variable with `k` bits
- ▶ `BitVecVal(s, k)` is constant `c` in `k` bits
- ▶ `+`, `-`, `*` are arithmetic operations
- ▶ `&`, `|`, `~`, `^` are bitwise operations
- ▶ comparisons `<`, `<=`, `>`, `>=` are signed, use `ULT`, `ULE`, `UGT`, `UGE` for unsigned
- ▶ `<<` is left shift, `>>` is  $\gg_s$ , `LShR` is  $\gg_u$
- ▶ division `/` and modulo `%` is signed, use `UDiv` and `URem` for unsigned
- ▶ for valuations, solver returns integers by default

# Application 1: Verifying Compiler Optimizations

## LLVM

- ▶ open-source umbrella project: set of reusable toolchain components: libraries, assemblers, compilers, debuggers, ...
- ▶ compilation toolchain includes peephole optimizations in **Instcombine** pass



# Application 1: Verifying Compiler Optimizations

## Instcombine Pass

- ▶ over 1000 algebraic simplifications of expressions
  - ▶ transform multiplies with constant power-of-two argument into shifts
  - ▶ bitwise operators with constant operands are always grouped so that shifts are performed first, then ors, then ands, then xors
  - ▶ changing bitwidth of variables
  - ▶ ...
- ▶ code is community maintained
- ▶ sometimes optimizations have errors—and compiler bugs are critical

## Example

```
int foo(int z) {  
  int x = 4 * (z | 1001);  
  return -256 & x;  
}
```



```
define i32 @foo(i32) #0 {  
  %2 = or i32 %0, 1001  
  %3 = mul nsw i32 4, %2  
  %4 = xor i32 -256, %3  
  ret i32 %4  
}
```



```
define i32 @foo(i32) #0 {  
  %2 = shl i32 %0, 2  
  %3 = or i32 %2, 4004  
  %4 = xor i32 %3, -256  
  ret i32 %4  
}
```

# Application 1: Verifying Compiler Optimizations

## Alive Project

- represent `Instcombine` optimizations in domain-specific language, e.g.

Name: PR20186

`%a = sdiv %X, C`

`%r = sub 0, %a`

`=>`

`%r = sdiv %X, -C`

- check correctness by means of SMT encoding

```
(declare-const x (_ BitVec 32))
(declare-const c (_ BitVec 32))
(declare-const before (_ BitVec 32))
(declare-const after (_ BitVec 32))
(assert (= before (bvsub #x00000000 (bvdiv x c))))
(assert (= after (bvdiv x (bvneg c))))
(assert (not (= before after)))
(assert (not (= c #x00000000)))
(check-sat)
```



- **wrong** for `c = x = #x80000000`

## Same in python/z3

```
from z3 import *  
  
x = BitVec('x', 32) # create variable named x with 32 bits  
c = BitVec('c', 32)  
  
before = BitVecVal(0, 32) - (x / c)  
after = x / - c  
  
solver = Solver()  
solver.add(c != BitVecVal(0, 32)) # exclude case where c=0  
solver.add(after != before)  
  
result = solver.check()  
if result == z3.sat:  
    m = solver.model()  
    print m[x], m[c] # 2147483648 2147483648  
    print m.eval(before), m.eval(after) # 4294967295 1
```



## Application 2: Detecting Nontermination in Programs

```
int bsearch(int a[], int k, unsigned int lo, unsigned int hi) {
    unsigned int mid;
    while (lo < hi) {
        mid = (lo + hi)/2;
        if (a[mid] < k)
            lo = mid + 1;
        else if (a[mid] > k)
            hi = mid - 1;
        else
            return mid;
    }
    return -1;
}
```

- ▶ (former) implementation of binary search in Java library
- ▶ **loops** for inputs  $lo=1$  and  $hi=UINT\_MAX$  if  $a[0] < k$ .
- ▶ SMT encoding can find values such that parameters stay the same in recursive call



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