

CNF · SAT

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TODO A CNF-SAT is an equation ...

Definitions

We will call *CNF* as a structure consisting of sets of literal sets. Defining recursively:

Symbol	Type
S	$\{D\}$ A set of disjunctions
D	$\{L\}$ A set of literals
L	$x, \neg x$ A positive or negated variable
x	\top, \perp A variable

1 Equations

$$\text{Set Notation} \cdot \text{CNF} \quad \{\{a, \bar{b}\}, \{b, \bar{c}, \bar{d}\}, \{\bar{a}, \bar{c}\}\}$$

$$\text{Arithmetic} \cdot \text{CNF} \quad (a + \bar{b}) \cdot (b + \bar{c} + \bar{d}) \cdot (\bar{a} + \bar{c})$$

$$\text{Negated} \cdot \text{DNF} \quad \neg(ab + \bar{b}cd + ac)$$

CNF Environment Formulas

Zugzwang. If a disjunction consists of one literal, the value of this literal is fixed.

$$\begin{aligned} \{X\} \in S &\Rightarrow X = \top \\ \{x_i \cdot \bar{x}_i\} \subseteq S &\Rightarrow S = \perp \end{aligned}$$

DNF Environment Formulas