

D7 - Compression and Satisfiability

Reading material on Satisfiability (relating to questions 1-4) is in special notes, see *Modules* in Canvas). Material on NP-completeness (questions 6-7) is pp.903–921 in Sedgewick-Wayne.

1. Consider the CNF formula

$$x_1x_2, \overline{x_1x_2}, \overline{x_1x_3}, \overline{x_2x_3}, x_2x_3$$

- a) Find a satisfying assignment for the formula, and
- b) Give a falsifying 3-clause (i.e., a clause with 3 literals that, if added to the formula, makes the formula false)

2. (8%) Perform unit propagation on the CNF formula

$$x_1x_2, \overline{x_2}, x_2x_4, \overline{x_1x_2\overline{x_4}},$$

3. Perform pure literal elimination on CNF formula

$$x_1x_2\overline{x_3}, \overline{x_2x_3}, x_2\overline{x_3}x_4, \overline{x_1x_2\overline{x_4}}, x_1x_3x_5 .$$

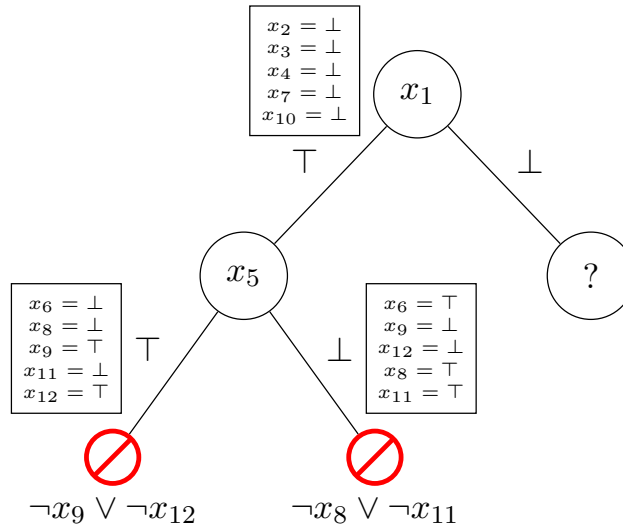


Figure 1: Partial run of the DPLL heuristic

4. (20%) The following CNF formula was treated in class (Tue 30 Oct, slide 21):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}' : \quad & x_1x_2x_3, \overline{x_1x_2}, \overline{x_1x_3}, \overline{x_2x_3}, x_4x_5x_6, \overline{x_4x_5}, \overline{x_4x_6}, \overline{x_5x_6}, \\ & x_7x_8x_9, \overline{x_7x_8}, \overline{x_7x_9}, \overline{x_8x_9}, x_{10}x_{11}x_{12}, \overline{x_{10}x_{11}}, \overline{x_{10}x_{12}}, \overline{x_{11}x_{12}}, \\ & \overline{x_1x_4}, \overline{x_2x_5}, \overline{x_3x_6}, \overline{x_1x_7}, \overline{x_2x_8}, \overline{x_3x_9}, \overline{x_1x_{10}}, \overline{x_2x_{11}}, \overline{x_3x_{12}}, \\ & \overline{x_4x_7}, \overline{x_5x_8}, \overline{x_6x_9}, \overline{x_4x_{10}}, \overline{x_5x_{11}}, \overline{x_6x_{12}}, \overline{x_7x_{10}}, \overline{x_8x_{11}}, \overline{x_9x_{12}} . \end{aligned}$$

The result of the initial trace of $\hat{\mathcal{F}}$ that was done in class (and lecture slides) is shown in Fig. 1. Continue the trace for the subtree given by the partial assignment $x_1 = F$. Label the edges with the unit clauses that were propagated. On “dead-end” states (shown on slide with a red X), identify the clause that is responsible. Assume that next variable explored is always the lowest unassigned one.

5. Give the LZW encoding the string a^N consisting of N repeats of the character \mathbf{a} . What is the compression ratio as a function of N ?

The LZW encoding will store and use the codewords \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{aa} , \mathbf{aaa} , etc. In round i , it will code the substring \mathbf{a}^i with the i -th code value (for all but the last round), and record in the symbol table the $i + 1$ -st code value as representing \mathbf{a}^{i+1} . If k is the number of codewords used, then k is the smallest value such that $\sum_{i=1}^k i \geq n$, or $\binom{k+1}{2} \geq n$. Then, $k \sim \sqrt{2n}$. Thus, the compression ratio is $\Theta(1/\sqrt{n})$.]

6. (Problem 5.5.18) Let F_k be the k -th Fibonacci number. Consider N symbols, where the k -th symbol has frequency F_k . Note that $F_1 + F_2 + \dots + F_N = F_{N+2} - 1$. Describe the Huffman code. (Hint: The longest codeword has length $N - 1$).

The tree will be a chain, where the length of the i -th codeword is i , for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$; the i -th codeword will represent the $N - k + 1$ -th symbol.]

7. (10%) (Problem 6.62.) Suppose that $P \neq NP$. Which of the following can we infer:
 - e. If X is NP-complete, then X cannot be solved in polynomial time.
 - f. If X is in NP, then X cannot be solved in polynomial time.
 - g. If X is in NP but not NP-complete, then X can be solved in polynomial time.
 - h. If X is in NP, then X is not NP-complete.
8. (16%) Classify the following problems as in P, as NP-complete, or neither. Identify the usual name for the (underlying abstract) problem.
 - (a) Given a graph, is it possible to mark each node by “X”, “Y” or “Z”, such that neighbors always get a different mark?
 - (b) Given a set X of numbers x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , are there two sets X_1, X_2 such that $X_1 \cup X_2 = X$ and $X_1 \cap X_2 = \emptyset$ and such that $\sum_{x_i \in X_1} x_i = \sum_{x_i \in X_2} x_i$?
 - (c) Given an integer k and an virtual environment consisting of n avatars, where any two are either *friends* or *enemies*, are there k avatars that are all friends of each other?
 - (d) Given a computer network and two nodes a and b , and an integer k , is it possible to forward a message from a to b using at most k intermediate nodes?

Class Exercises

- I. (Final Exam 2017) Decode the following LZW-compressed message:

41 81 42 82 83 80

- II. Encode the string “ABABCABCD” using LZW.

- III. Suppose we are given the following letter frequencies: A:60, D:6, E:75, F:3, G:9, H:4, S:17. Give the optimal Huffman coding tree. Also, how is “SEEAHEAD” compressed?
- IV. Implement the pure-literal elimination rule, either in a Java function or in words. State the time complexity.