DPLL+ROBDD Derivation Applied to Inversion of Some Cryptographic Functions

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Example (cryptanalysis of a keystream generator):

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \qquad \qquad f_n \qquad y = (y_1, \dots, y_m)$$

Cryptanalysis problem: given a generator algorithm and a keystream $y=(y_1,\ldots,y_m)$ one should find an initial sequence $x=(x_1,\ldots,x_n)$.

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is a CNF encoding the invertion problem of the function f_n at point $y=(\sigma_1,\dots,\sigma_m).$ Here CNFs C(G) encode gates G of $S(f_n)$ and

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A core-DPLL approach to inversion of discrete functions

- Approach: to restrict DPLL derivation to a set of variables denoting an input for $S(f_n)$.
- core-DPLL cannot polynomially simulate DPLL (even without clause learning and restarts)¹.
- The aim: to show that the use of core-DPLL provides a number of additional (or rather useful) technical capabilities while inverting discrete functions.

¹Järvisalo, M., Junttila, T.: Limitations of restricted branching in clause learning. Constraints 14(3), 325–356 (2009).

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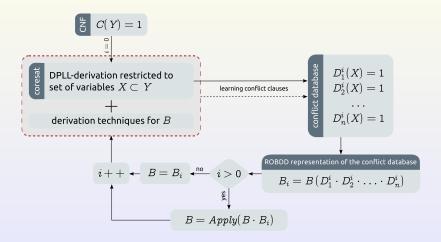
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- No examples representing conflict clauses as ROBDDs and extending basic derivation algorithms to the ROBDD structure.

A flowchart showing operation of the hybrid solver



ROBDD-based consequence

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Definition:

The situation defined by conditions 1–2 is called a ROBDD-based consequence of a value of variable x_k .

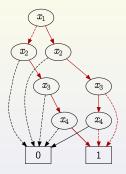


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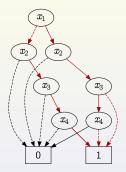


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Lemma. A ROBDD-based consequence of some variable x_k in B(f) results in exactly one of the following:

- ullet each vertex marked by x_k has "0" as the high-child;
- ullet each vertex marked by x_k has "0" as the low-child.

Theorem. For a ROBDD B(f) and the values $x_{i_1}=\alpha_{i_1},\ldots,x_{i_m}=\alpha_{i_m},m\leqslant n$, $\alpha_{i_j}\in\{0,1\},j\in\{1,\ldots,m\}$, time complexity of the procedure² which substitutes given values into B(f) and checks for ROBDD-based consequences of other variables is O(|B(f)|).

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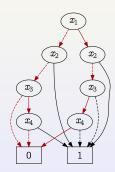
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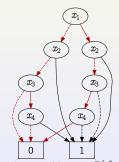


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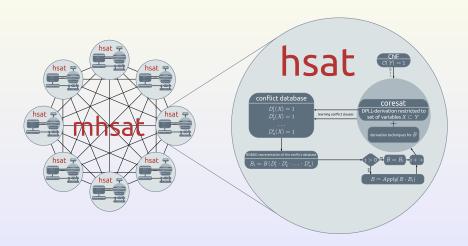
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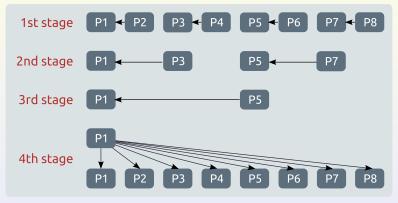


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Parallel version of the hybrid solver (mhsat)



Simple exchange of conflict clauses



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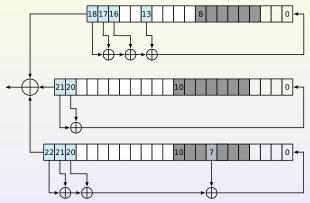


Figure: A5/1 keystream generator. Decomposition set X_{20} of 20 variables

The length of initial sequence is 64 bits.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LFSR 1: } X^{19} + X^{18} + X^{17} + X^{14} + 1 \\ \text{LFSR 2: } X^{22} + X^{21} + 1 \\ \text{LFSR 3: } X^{23} + X^{22} + X^{8} + 1 \end{aligned} & b_s^l, b_s^l, b_s^l - \text{values of the } clocking \ bits \\ \chi_m(b_s^l, b_s^2, b_s^3) = \begin{cases} 1, b_s^m = majority(b_s^l, b_s^2, b_s^3) \\ 0, b_s^m \neq majority(b_s^l, b_s^2, b_s^3) \end{cases} \\ majority(x, y, z) = x \cdot y \lor x \cdot z \lor y \cdot z \end{aligned}$$

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 $^{^5}$ For each of 50 CNFs there constructed 4 simpler CNFs obtained by substituting all the possible values of two variables x_{23} and x_{45} into the original one.

Experimental results

Table: Average solving time for each of the solvers.

place	solver	mode of operating	number of cores	avg. time (seconds)
1	mhsat ⁶	parallel	4	569.016
2	hsat	coarse-grained	4	644.254
3	MiraXT (mod)	parallel	4	1639.192
4	hsat	sequential	1	2385.578
5	dminisat	coarse-grained	4	2750.486
6	MiraXT (orig)	parallel	4	3214.178
7	ManySAT (mod) ⁷	parallel	4	3378.078
8	MiniSat (mod)	coarse-grained	4	5836.782

 $^{^{\}rm 6}$ mhsat taking 4 CPU cores is more than 4 times faster than its sequential version (hsat).

⁷Original versions of ManySAT and MiniSat cannot cope with the tests. However, one can improve them by assigning nonzero values to initial activity for those variables which correspond to initial contents of A5/1's registers.

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Thank you for your attention!