

Automated Reasoning

- A Comprehensive Collection -

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Introduction

Welcome to the seminar on Automated Reasoning. This document is a compilation of various seminar materials designed to provide a comprehensive overview of the field. Here, we explore the fundamental concepts, methodologies, and applications of automated reasoning in computer science and logic.

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Chapter 1

The Boolean Satisfiability Problem

Propositional Variable

Definition 1.1. A **propositional variable** is an input variable (that can either be true or false) of a truth function. Propositional variables are the *basic building-blocks* of propositional formulas, used in propositional logic and higher-order logics.

Example 1.1. For a statement variable, a lowercase letter is usually used, for example: p, q, r, \dots , and so on or lowercase Greek letters, for example: ϕ, ψ, χ, \dots and so on.

Remark 1.1. The citing of a propositional variable can be interpreted as an assertion that the proposition represented by that symbol is true. That is:

" p " means " p is true".

Propositional Function (Formula)

Definition 1.2. A **propositional variable** is an input variable (that can either be true or false) of a truth function. Propositional variables are the *basic building-blocks* of propositional formulas, used in propositional logic and higher-order logics.

The boolean satisfiability problem (SAT) is the following: given a formula F on propositional variables, does there exists an assignment \mathcal{A} on these variables, such that $\mathcal{A}(F) = 1$.

Given a formula F over a set of propositional variables $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$,

$$\exists \mathcal{A} : \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\} : \mathcal{A}(F) = 1.$$