Practical SAT Solving (ST 2024)

Assignment 2

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1 Resolution (Points 3)

Construct a resolution proof of unsatisfiability for the following formula.

$$\{\{x_3, x_4, \overline{x}_1, x_5\}, \{\overline{x}_3, x_4, x_5\}, \{x_3, \overline{x}_4, \overline{x}_1\}, \{x_1, x_2\}, \{x_1, \overline{x}_2\}, \{\overline{x}_1, \overline{x}_5\}, \{\overline{x}_3, \overline{x}_4, x_5\}\}$$

2 Recognizing Hidden Horn (Points 6)

Let F be an arbitrary CNF formula. Let R_F be a 2-SAT formula that contains the clause $\{l_1, l_2\}$ iff there is a clause $C \in F$ such that $\{l_1, l_2\} \subseteq C$. Prove that if R_F is satisfiable, then F is a hidden Horn formula.

3 Hidden Horn ⊂ SLUR (Points 6)

Prove that every hidden Horn formula is a SLUR formula, i.e., that the SLUR algorithm would never give up if its input is a hidden Horn formula.

4 Logic Puzzle (Points 7)

Three colleagues, Emily, Sophia, and David, opened a consulting business. The first week is over, and each of the three individuals had between 4 and 11 clients every day from Monday to Friday. Let's determine how many clients each person had on each day based on the following conditions:

- 1. Emily had more clients on Wednesday than on Monday.
- 2. On the day when David had one more client than on Tuesday, Emily had one more client than on Friday.
- 3. Sophia had 5 clients on one day, and it was not Thursday.
- 4. On the day when Sophia had one more client than on Wednesday, Emily had one more than on Thursday.
- 5. On Monday, both Emily and Sophia had more clients than David.
- 6. On the day (which was not Friday), when Sophia had one more client than on Tuesday, David had one more client than on Wednesday.

5 Tetris Competition (8 Points)

Design and implement an encoder for the Tetris puzzle in a programming language of your choice. The Tetris puzzle is to arrange a set of pieces into a rectangular block of a given size. There are five types of pieces: I, T, S, L, and O, and they are not rotatable. The objective is to implement an encoder that takes seven arguments (block height and width, numbers of I, T, S, L, and O pieces) and prints a CNF formula that is satisfiable if and only the given Tetris puzzle is solvable.

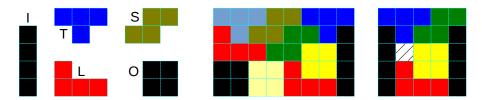


Figure 1: The 5 tetris pieces and two solved puzzles of size 5x8 and 5x5 blocks

Figure 1 shows the five types of pieces and two examples. The left example shows how to arrange one I, two each of T, L, S, and three O pieces into a 5×8 block. This is represented by the seven arguments "5 8 1 2 2 2 3." The block doesn't have to be filled completely. The example on the right shows a solution for the input sequence "5 5 2 1 1 1 1," which is to arrange two I pieces and one of each remaining type in a 5×5 block, leaving one empty cell. An example of an unsolvable instance could be "4 4 1 1 0 1 1."

6 Local Search Competition (10 Points)

The objective is to implement a stochastic local search SAT solver. Instances that are both easy to solve and satisfiable can be found in GBD. The solvers will be evaluated on a random subset of these instances, as well as on other instances, including a set of random 3-SAT instances and some instances that are unsatisfiable. In such cases, the solver should return s UNKNOWN. The format for the solution line and the satisfying assignment should be identical to that used in the SAT competition.

¹https://benchmark-database.de/?minisat1m=yes&result=sat

²https://satcompetition.github.io/2024/output.html