

SAT Solver - Variant 2

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What is it?

- Aims to solve the boolean satisfiability problem
- Determines whether a Boolean Formula (CNF) can be satisfied with boolean assignments
- NP-Complete - Nondeterministic polynomial time complete

Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)

- Literals: Variable or its Negation
 - $x, -x$
- Clauses: Disjunction of Literals
 - $x \vee -y$
- Conjunction (AND): A conjunction of clauses forming a CNF
 - $(x \vee y) \wedge (-x \vee y \vee z)$

DPLL Algorithm

- David-Putman-Logemann-Loveland, names of researchers
- Algorithm for solving SAT
- Depth First Search, operates in CNF
- Decide (Variable and its value), Deduce (Unit Clause), Resolve Conflict(Backtracking)

Variant 2 - Tuned to Randomly Generate imbalance Instances

- Variables in input CNF will appear more often in either polarity, different for each variable
- For examples:
 - x appears a lot more often than $\neg x$, and $\neg y$ appears a lot more often than y in CNF

Next Steps

- Fully solidify my understanding of DPLL concepts, such as Backtracking, Decision heuristics and conflict resolution
- Plan requirements for my system
- Decide on techniques I will use and the structure of the SAT Solver
- Decide what technologies I would like to use
- Prepare to begin coding

Gantt Chart

