

Theorem Proving with Vampire for Rigorous Systems Engineering

Introducing Vampire

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Setting the Scene

Getting Started with Vampire

Automated Reasoning and Rigorous Systems Engineering

In a vague sense, automated reasoning involves

1. Representing a problem as a mathematical/logical statement
2. Automatically checking this statement's **consistency** or **truth**

In rigorous systems engineering there are lots of places where we can apply this reasoning. For example,

- ▶ Proving partial correctness properties
- ▶ Generating loop invariants
- ▶ Synthesis
- ▶ Model checking
- ▶ Concolic testing
- ▶ **Your idea?**

Kinds of Reasoning

Given a statement S we can establish different conclusions about it

- ▶ **Consistency** - there is a way of making it true
- ▶ **Inconsistency** - there is no way of making it true
- ▶ **Validity** - it is always true

We can look at these three notions from two different views.

	Semantic view	Syntactic view
S is consistent	A model	No proof of \perp from S
S is inconsistent	No model	A proof of \perp from S
S is valid	True in all models	A proof of \perp from $\neg S$

Notes

1. Here we have focussed only on proofs of inconsistency.
2. Consistency is commonly referred to as **satisfiability**

Models and Proofs

Models

A model is a structure that can be used to interpret the symbols in a logical statement making the statement semantically true.

S can have 0, 1, n , or ∞ models. A model may be infinite.

New expressions can be evaluated in a model.

If our statement is of the form $\neg S$ then we have a **countermodel**.

Proofs (in our context)

A proof is a sequence of derived statements that follow logically from the input, ending in a contradiction.

Steps may preserve validity, satisfiability, or models.

A proof may only use part of S and may introduce new symbols.

Kinds of Reasoners

	Input	Example(s)
SAT Solvers	Propositional formulae	MiniSat
Constraint Solvers	Conjunction of theory constraints	
SMT Solvers	(First-order) formulae + theories	Z3,CVC4
Theorem Provers	First-order formulae (+ theories)	Vampire,E
Proof Assistants (interactive)	High-order formulae	Isabelle,Coq

Above the line focus on **models** and might be **decidable**. Below the line focus on **proofs** and are rarely **decidable**.

More about Logics

Propositional Logic

Propositions and boolean constructors e.g. $p \wedge q$, $\text{good} \rightarrow \neg \text{bad}$
Common normal forms (CNF, DNF). Models are assignments of true/false to propositions. SAT solvers. QBF.

First-Order or Predicate Logic

Adds predicates, functions, **quantifiers**, equality e.g. $\exists x : f(x) \neq x$,
 $\forall x : \text{man}(x) \rightarrow \text{human}(x)$. Skolemisation can remove \exists . Models interpret each predicate and function symbol.

Theories

Fix a class of interpretations for a subset of the signature e.g. $+$.

Higher-Order Logic

Allow quantification over functions. Think simply-typed λ -calculus.

Other Logics (live inside one of the above)

Modal logics (e.g. LTL). Description logics. Separation Logic.

What is Vampire?

An **automated theorem prover** for **first-order logic** and **theories**

- ▷ It produces detailed **proofs** but also supports **finite model** finding
- ▷ It is very fast (44 trophies from CASC over the last 18 years)
- ▷ It competes with SMT solvers on their problems
- ▷ In normal operation it is **saturation-based** - it saturates a clausal form with respect to an inference system
- ▷ It is **portfolio-based** - it works best when you allow it to try lots of strategies
- ▷ It has unique proof search features such as LRS and AVATAR
- ▷ It supports lots of extra features helpful for rigorous systems engineering

CASC 2017 results

Higher-order Theorems	Satallax 3.2	Leo-III 1.1	Satallax 3.0	LEO-II 1.7.0	Zipperpin 1.1	Isabelle 2016					
Solved ₅₀₀	430 ₅₀₀	382 ₅₀₀	382 ₅₀₀	305 ₅₀₀	179 ₅₀₀	387 ₅₀₀					
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Typed First-order Theorems +*/-	Vampire 4.1	Vampire 4.2	CVC4 ARI-1.5.2	Princess 170717	Zipperpin 1.1						
Solved ₂₅₀	194 ₂₅₀	191 ₂₅₀	188 ₂₅₀	130 ₂₅₀	39 ₂₅₀						
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First-order Theorems	Vampire 4.2	Vampire 4.0	E 2.1	CVC4 NAR-1.5.2	iProver 2.6	Leo-III 1.1	lean-nano 1.0	Zipperpin 1.1	Prover9 1109a	iProverM 2.5-0.1	Scavenger EP-0.2
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First-order Non-theorems	Vampire SAT-4.1	Vampire SAT-4.2	iProver SAT-2.6	CVC4 SNA-1.5.2	E FNT-2.1	Scavenger EP-0.2					
Solved ₂₅₀	219 ₂₅₀	217 ₂₅₀	175 ₂₅₀	136 ₂₅₀	85 ₂₅₀	12 ₂₅₀					
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Effectively Propositional CNF	iProver 2.6	iProver 2.5	Vampire 4.2	E 2.1	Scavenger EP-0.1	Scavenger EP-0.2					
Solved ₂₀₀	174 ₂₀₀	171 ₂₀₀	168 ₂₀₀	53 ₂₀₀	5 ₂₀₀	4 ₂₀₀					
SLedgeHammer Theorems	Vampire SLH-4.2	CVC4 SLH-1.5.2	ET 2.0	E SLH-2.1	Leo-III SLH-1.1	iProver SLH-2.6	Zipperpin SLH-1.1	iProverM 2.5-0.1			
Solved ₂₀₀₀	1433 ₂₀₀₀	1364 ₂₀₀₀	1328 ₂₀₀₀	1185 ₂₀₀₀	652 ₂₀₀₀	519 ₂₀₀₀	472 ₂₀₀₀	320 ₂₀₀₀			
Large Theory Batch Problems	Vampire LTB-4.0	Vampire LTB-4.2	MaLARE 0.6	iProver LTB-2.6	E LTB-2.1						
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Issues to Consider when using Reasoners in Rigorous Systems Engineering

(that we won't necessarily be addressing)

Representing Programs

- ▶ How do we encode a program's behaviour in logic
- ▶ What abstraction do we want for different types of data
- ▶ How do we handle modularity, non-determinism etc

Representing Queries

- ▶ Is your query a traditional *does C follow from A?*
- ▶ or something else? e.g. which statements among S_1, \dots, S_n are redundant (implied by other statements)
- ▶ How do you turn what you want into a first-order query?

Handling Query Answers

- ▶ Is it just a yes/no answer you want?
- ▶ Or do you need a model or proof to extract further information from

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Download and Install

Go to

`https://vprover.github.io/download.html`

and pick the route most suitable to you.

Notes:

- ▶ For Linux users, a binary is probably the easiest route
- ▶ For Mac users, you need to build from source
 - ▶ run `make vampire_z3_rel`
- ▶ For Windows users, the easiest route for this tutorial is a virtual machine and then use Linux

Trying Vampire

Check out

`https://github.com/vprover/ase17tutorial`

to get material that we're going to be using today.

In this session we will be using problems in **intro**

We encourage you to try running the things we show you

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$$1+1=2 \text{ (one_plus_one.p)}$$

In this example

- ▶ cnf form and negated_conjecture
- ▶ Equality

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```
(declare-fun convert (Real Real) Bool)
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  (=> (= (+ (* 1.8 c) 32.0) f) (convert c f))))
(assert (not (exists ((c Real)) (convert c 451.0))))
```

```
./vampire -uwa all --input_syntax smtlib2 MSC023=2.smt2
```

An Aside: TPTP and SMT Infrastructure

Let's look at:

- ▶ <http://www.cs.miami.edu/~tptp/>
- ▶ <http://www.cs.miami.edu/~tptp/casc>
- ▶ <http://smtlib.cs.uiowa.edu/>
- ▶ <http://smtcomp.sourceforge.net/>

These pages are good starting points for finding out about languages and solvers for first-order problems.

Task

Use the TPTP or SMTLIB2 language to write some simple statements and use Vampire to try and prove them.

For example,

- ▶ Properties of sets (see `intersect_in_union.p`)
- ▶ A puzzle (see `PUZ001+1.p`)
- ▶ Some standard results from group theory (see `group.p`)

you can also try modifying the problems you've been given.

You might observe some strange things - hopefully those strange things will have been explained by Lunch.