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DPLL ingredients:

- Unit Propagation
- Splitting

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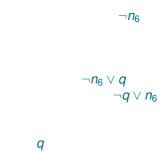
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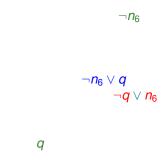
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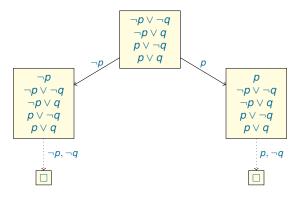
We established unsatisfiability of this set of clauses in a completely deterministic way, by unit propagation.

DPLL = splitting + unit propagation

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procedure DPLL(S)
input: set of clauses S
output: satisfiable or unsatisfiable
parameters: function select_literal
begin
 S := propagate(S)
 if S is empty then return satisfiable
 if S contains □ then return unsatisfiable
 L := select_literal(S)
 if DPLL(S \cup \{L\}) = satisfiable
  then return satisfiable
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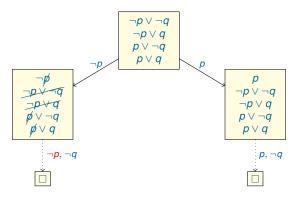
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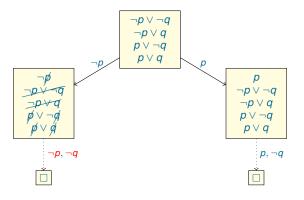
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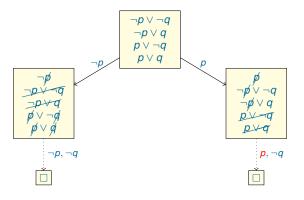
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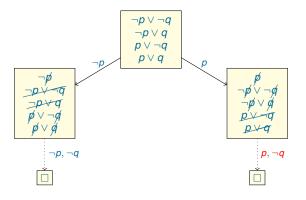
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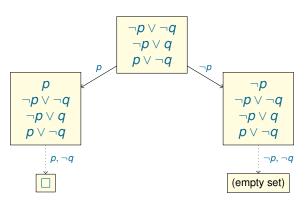


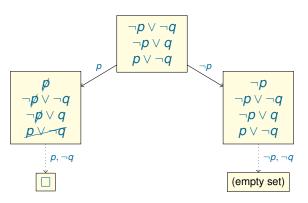
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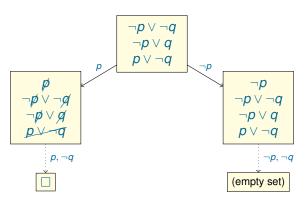
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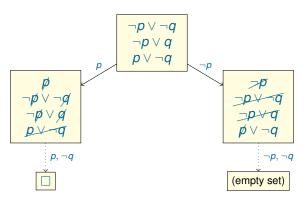


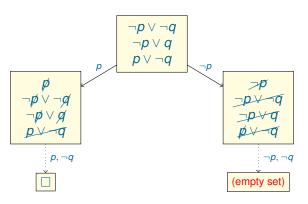
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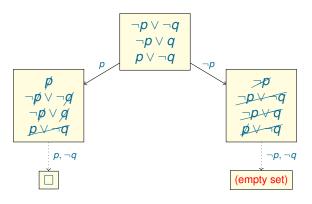




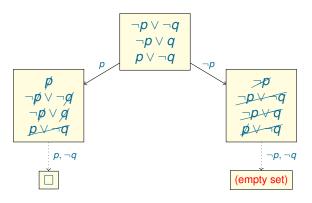








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The model can be obtained by collecting all selected literals and literals used in unit propagation on the branch resulting in the empty set.

This DPLL tree gives us the model $\{p \mapsto 0, q \mapsto 0\}$.

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Next:

- ► What is quantitative relationship between satisfiable and unsatisfiable problems? In other words if we pick a set of clauses at random with what probability it will be satisfiable?
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Suppose we generate random clauses one after one. How does the set of models of this set change?

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0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
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$-n_0 \vee -n_0$	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	
	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	
	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	
	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	
	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	
	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	
	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	
	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	
	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	
	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	
	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	
	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	
	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	
	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	
	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	

	p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p_5		p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p_5
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0
1 <i>P</i> 2	0	0	0	0	1		1	0	0	0	1
	0	0	0	1	0		1	0	0	1	0
	0	0	0	1	1		1	0	0	1	1
	0	0	1	0	0		1	0	1	0	0
	0	0	1	0	1		1	0	1	0	1
	0	0	1	1	0		1	0	1	1	0
	0	0	1	1	1		1	0	1	1	1
	0	1	0	0	0		1	1	0	0	0
	0	1	0	0	1		1	1	0	0	1
	0	1	0	1	0		1	1	0	1	0
	0	1	0	1	1		1	1	0	1	1

	ρ_1	ρ_2	ρ_3	ρ_4	ρ_5
$\neg n_0 \setminus \neg n_0$	0	0	0	0	0
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$	0	0	0	0	1
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$	0	0	0	1	0
	0	0	0	1	1
	0	0	1	0	0
	0	0	1	0	1
	0	0	1	1	0
	0	0	1	1	1
	0	1	0	0	0
	0	1	0	0	1
	0	1	0	1	0
	0	1	0	1	1

p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p 5
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	0
4	4	Λ	4	4

	ρ_1	μ_2	ρ_3	ρ_4	μ_5
$n_0 \setminus -n_0$	0	0	0	0	0
$p_2 \vee \neg p_3$	0	0	0	0	1
$p_2 \vee p_1$	0	0	0	1	0
	0	0	0	1	1
	0	0	1	0	0
	0	0	1	0	1
	0	0	1	1	0
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p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p 5
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1
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1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1	1

	P_1	P^2	ρ_3	Ρ4	ρ_5
$-n_0 \setminus -n_0$	0	0	0	0	0
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$	0	0	0	0	1
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$	0	0	0	1	0
$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$	0	0	0	1	1
	0	0	1	0	0
	0	0	1	0	1
	0	0	1	1	0
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p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p 5
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1
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1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0
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1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	0
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	PI	P2	P^3	Ρ4	Po
$-n_0 \vee -n_0$	0	0	0	0	0
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$	0	0	0	0	1
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$	0	0	0	1	0
$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$	0	0	0	1	1
$p_1 \vee p_1$	0	0	1	0	0
	0	0	1	0	1
	0	0	1	1	0
	0	0	1	1	1

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p_1	<i>p</i> ₂	p_3	p_4	p 5
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
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1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	0
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	p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p_5		p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p_5
-n-\/-n-						-	1	0	0	0	0
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$							1	0	0	0	1
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$							1	0	0	1	0
$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$							1	0	0	1	1
$p_1 \vee p_1$							1	0	1	0	0
							1	0	1	0	1
							1	0	1	1	0
							1	0	1	1	1
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	-		-	-		-			-	-	

	p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p_5	p_1	p_2	p_3	p_4	p_5
-n-\/-n-						1	0	0	0	0
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$						1	0	0	0	1
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						1	0	1	1	1
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-n-\/-n-						-	1	0	0	0	0
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$							1	0	0	0	1
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$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$							1	0	0	1	1
$p_1 \vee p_1$							1	0	1	0	0
$\neg p_5 \lor p_5$							1	0	1	0	1
$p_4 \vee p_5$							1	0	1	1	0
							1	0	1	1	1
							1	1	0	0	0
							1	1	0	0	1
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$ eg p_2 \lor \neg p_3 \neg p_2 \lor p_1 \neg p_2 \lor p_2 p_1 \lor p_1 $	1	0	0	0	1
	1	0	0	1	0
	1	0	0	1	1
$ eg p_5 \lor p_5 $ $ eg_4 \lor p_5 $	1	0	1	0	1
	1	0	1	1	0
	1	0	1	1	1
	1	1	0	0	1
	1	1	0	1	0
	1	1	0	1	1

> 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 1

Example	(ob	tair	ned	by	a p	orogi	am)	for	n =	5	and	k =	= 2
•		<i>p</i> ₁	p_2	<i>p</i> ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	p ₅	•	_ <i>p</i> ₁	p_2	p ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	p 5	
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$								4	0	٥	0	4	
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$									U	U	U		
$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$													
$p_1 \vee p_1$													
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$\neg p_5 \lor \neg p_3$													
$p_2 \vee \neg p_4$													
								1	1	0	0	1	

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•	`	p_1	p_2		<i>p</i> ₄	_	,	<i>p</i> ₁	p_2	p ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	p ₅	
$\neg p_2 \vee \neg p_3$								4	0	0	0	4	
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$									U	U	U		
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•	•	p_1	p_2		<i>p</i> ₄		,	<i>p</i> ₁	p_2	p ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	p ₅	
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$								4	0	٥	0	4	
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$								- 1	U	U	U		
$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$													
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$p_5 \vee \neg p_2$								1	1	0	0	1	

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•	•	p_1	p_2	<i>p</i> ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	<i>p</i> ₅	,	<i>p</i> ₁	p_2	p ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	p ₅	
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$								4	0	٥	0	1	
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$									U	U	U		
$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$													
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$p_2 \vee \neg p_4$													
$p_{\rm E} \vee \neg p_{\rm O}$								- 1	1	0	0	1	

 $p_5 \vee p_2$

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	p_1	p_2	p_3	04	<i>ρ</i> ₅	p_1	p_2	<i>p</i> ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	<i>p</i> ₅
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$						1	0	0	0	1
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$										
$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$										
$p_1 \vee p_1$										
$\neg p_5 \lor p_5$										
$p_4 \vee p_5$										
$\neg p_5 \lor \neg p_3$										
$p_2 \vee \neg p_4$										

 $p_5 \vee \neg p_2 \\ p_5 \vee p_2$

Example (obtair	ned	by p ₃		rogr	am)	for	$n = p_2$	5 a	and	k = p ₅	=
- 1/ -		1-2	1-0	194	1-0			P2	10	10-4	100	-
$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$							1	0	0	0	1	
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$								•	0	0		
$\neg p_2 \lor p_2$												
$p_1 \vee p_1$												
$\neg p_5 \lor p_5$												
$p_4 \vee p_5$												
$\neg p_5 \lor \neg p_3$												
$p_2 \vee \neg p_4$												
$p_5 \vee \neg p_2$												

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$\neg p_2 \lor \neg p_3$						1	0	0	0	1	
$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$											
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		<i>p</i> ₁	<i>p</i> ₂	<i>p</i> ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	p ₅		<u>p</u> ₁	<i>p</i> ₂	<i>p</i> ₃	<i>p</i> ₄	p ₅	-

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$\neg p_2 \lor p_1$		
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$\neg p_5 \lor p_5$		
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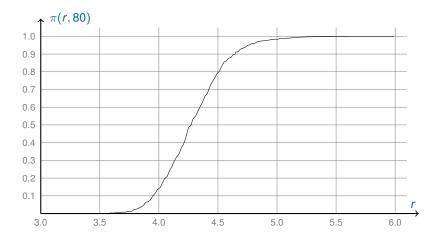
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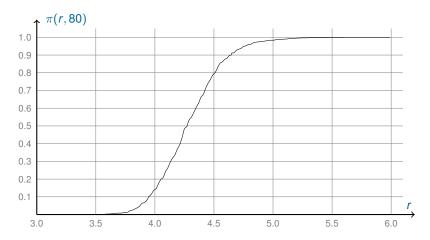
What would be your betting ratio?

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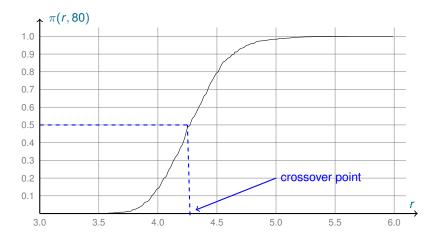
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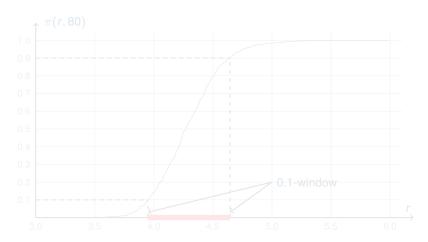


Experimentally: for large *n* crossover point is close to 4.25.

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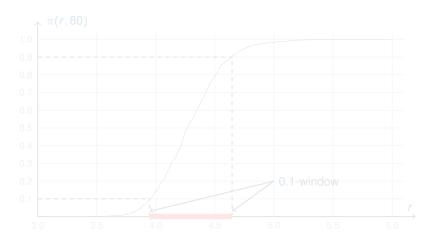
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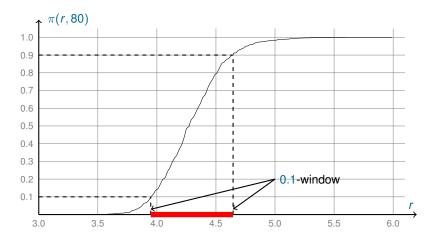
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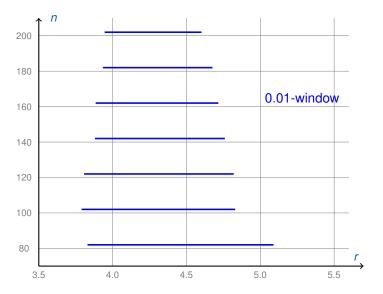


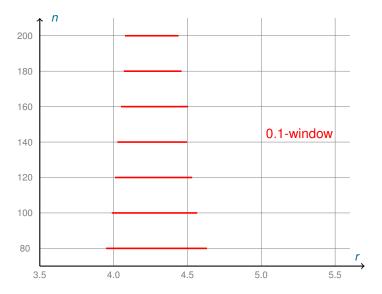
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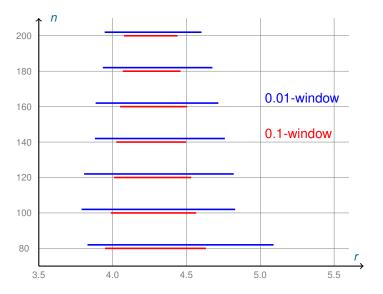
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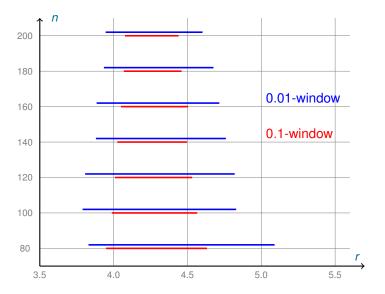
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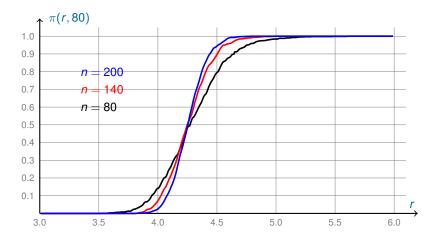






Conjecture: for $n \to \infty$ every ϵ -window "degenerates into a point".

Sharp Phase Transition



Easy-Hard-Easy Pattern

