— CVC4 proofs with bit-vectors (for the veriT proof format) —

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1 Proof Calculus

The proof calculus is extended with rules for representing the bit-blasting of bit-vector terms. This is independent of other rules for preprocessing, Boolean and theory reasoning.

1.1 Bit-blasting

Judgment for bit-blasting:

bbT
$$n \ x \ [x_0; ...; x_{n-1}]$$

in which n is a positive number, x is a term of the bit-vector type for size n, and x_i , with $x_i \in \{\bot, \top\}$, for $0 \le i < n$, is the Boolean equivalent of the i-th bit of x (from least to most significant). Thus $[x_0; \ldots; x_{n-1}]$ is the Boolean bit-level interpretation corresponding to the bit-vector term x.

List of rules for bit-blasting

1.1.1 Variables and constants

$$\frac{}{\text{ bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}]} \text{ BbVar } \frac{}{\text{ bbT } n \ v \ [v_0; \dots; v_{n-1}]} \text{ BbConst}$$

1.1.2 Bit-wise operations (byand, byor, byxor, bynot)

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } n \ y \ [y_0; \dots; y_{n-1}]}{\text{bbT } n \ (bvand \ x \ y) \ [x_0 \wedge y_0; \dots; x_{n-1} \wedge y_{n-1}]} \text{ BBAND}$$

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } n \ y \ [y_0; \dots; y_{n-1}]}{\text{bbT } n \ (bvor \ x \ y) \ [x_0 \vee y_0; \dots; x_{n-1} \vee y_{n-1}]} \text{ BBOR}$$

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } n \ y \ [y_0; \dots; y_{n-1}]}{\text{bbT } n \ (bvxor \ x \ y) \ [x_0 \oplus y_0; \dots; x_{n-1} \oplus y_{n-1}]} \text{ BBNOR}$$

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}]}{\text{bbT } n \ (bvnot \ x) \ [\neg x_0; \dots; \neg x_{n-1}]} \text{ BBNOT}$$

1.1.3 Arithmetic operations (addition, negation, multiplication)

Addition Bit-blasted following the *ripple carry adder* way of computing:

$$\frac{\text{ bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } n \ y \ [y_0; \dots; y_{n-1}]}{\text{bbT } n \ (bvadd \ x \ y) \ [(x_0 \oplus y_0) \oplus \text{carry}_0; \dots; (x_{n-1} \oplus y_{n-1}) \oplus \text{carry}_{n-1}]} \text{ BBADD}$$

in which, for $i \geq 0$,

$$carry_0 = \bot carry_{i+1} = (x_i \land y_i) \lor ((x_i \oplus y_i) \land carry_i)$$

Negation Bit-blasted following (bvneg a) \equiv (bvadd (bvnot a) 1):

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}]}{\text{bbT } n \ (bvneg \ x) \ [(\neg x_0 \oplus \bot) \oplus \text{carry}_0; \dots; (\neg x_{n-1} \oplus \bot) \oplus \text{carry}_{n-1}]} \text{ BbNeg}$$

in which, for $i \geq 0$,

$$carry_0 = \top carry_{i+1} = (\neg x_i \land \bot) \lor ((\neg x_i \oplus \bot) \land carry_i)$$

Multiplication Bit-blasted following the *shift add multiplier* way of computing:

$$\frac{\text{ bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } n \ y \ [y_0; \dots; y_{n-1}]}{\text{ bbT } n \ (bvmult \ x \ y) \ [\operatorname{res}_0^{n-1}; \dots; \operatorname{res}_{n-1}^{n-1}]} \text{ BBMULT}$$

in which, for $i, j \geq 0$,

$$\begin{array}{lll} \operatorname{res}_{i}^{0} & = & \operatorname{sh}_{i}^{0} \\ \operatorname{res}_{0}^{j} & = & \operatorname{sh}_{0}^{0} \\ \operatorname{res}_{i}^{j+1} & = & \operatorname{res}_{i}^{j} \oplus \operatorname{sh}_{i}^{j+1} \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{i}^{j+1} \\ \operatorname{carry}_{i}^{0} & = & \bot \\ \operatorname{carry}_{i+1}^{j+1} & = & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \operatorname{res}_{i}^{j} \wedge \operatorname{sh}_{i}^{j+1} \vee ((\operatorname{res}_{i}^{j} \oplus \operatorname{sh}_{i}^{j+1}) \wedge \operatorname{carry}_{i}^{j+1}) & \text{if } j < i \\ \bot & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right. \\ \operatorname{sh}_{i}^{j} & = & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} x_{i-j} \wedge y_{j} & \text{if } j \leq i \\ \bot & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

Example mult for n = 4:

$$\operatorname{res}_{0}^{3} = (x_{0} \wedge y_{0}); \\
\operatorname{res}_{1}^{3} = (x_{1} \wedge y_{0}) \oplus (x_{0} \wedge y_{1}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{1}^{3}; \\
\operatorname{res}_{2}^{0} = (x_{2} \wedge y_{0}) \oplus (x_{1} \wedge y_{1}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{2}^{1} \oplus (x_{0} \wedge y_{2}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{2}^{3}; \\
\operatorname{res}_{2}^{0} \oplus \operatorname{sh}_{2}^{1} \operatorname{res}_{1}^{0} \wedge \operatorname{sh}_{1}^{1} \dots \operatorname{sh}_{2}^{2} \perp$$

$$\operatorname{res}_{3}^{3} = (x_{3} \wedge y_{0}) \oplus (x_{2} \wedge y_{1}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{3}^{1} \oplus (x_{1} \wedge y_{2}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{3}^{2} \oplus (x_{0} \wedge y_{3}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{3}^{3}; \\
\operatorname{res}_{3}^{0} \oplus \operatorname{sh}_{3}^{1} \dots \operatorname{sh}_{3}^{2} \operatorname{res}_{2}^{1} \wedge \operatorname{sh}_{2}^{2} \dots \operatorname{sh}_{3}^{3} \perp$$

$$\operatorname{res}_{3}^{1} = (x_{3} \wedge y_{0}) \oplus (x_{2} \wedge y_{1}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{3}^{1} \oplus (x_{1} \wedge y_{2}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{3}^{2} \oplus (x_{0} \wedge y_{3}) \oplus \operatorname{carry}_{3}^{3}; \\
\operatorname{res}_{3}^{1} \oplus \operatorname{sh}_{3}^{1} \dots \operatorname{sh}_{3}^{2} \operatorname{res}_{2}^{1} \wedge \operatorname{sh}_{2}^{2} \dots \operatorname{sh}_{3}^{3} \perp$$

with

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \operatorname{carry}_3^1 & = & \operatorname{res}_2^0 \wedge \operatorname{sh}_2^1 \vee ((\operatorname{res}_2^0 \oplus \operatorname{sh}_2^1) \wedge \operatorname{carry}_2^1) \\ \operatorname{carry}_2^1 & = & \operatorname{res}_1^0 \wedge \operatorname{sh}_1^1 \vee ((\operatorname{res}_1^0 \oplus \operatorname{sh}_1^1) \wedge \underbrace{\operatorname{carry}_1^1}) \\ & & & & & & & & \\ \operatorname{carry}_3^2 & = & \operatorname{res}_2^1 \wedge \operatorname{sh}_2^2 \vee ((\operatorname{res}_2^1 \oplus \operatorname{sh}_2^2) \wedge \underbrace{\operatorname{carry}_2^2}) \end{array}$$

1.1.4 Extraction

bbT
$$n$$
 x $[x_0; ...; x_{n-1}]$ $0 \le j \le i < n$
bbT $i - j + 1$ $(extract\ i\ j\ x)$ $[x_j; ...; x_i]$ BBEXTRACT

1.1.5 Concatenation

$$\frac{\text{ bbT } n \ x \ [x_0;\ldots;x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } m \ y \ [y_0;\ldots;y_{m-1}]}{\text{bbT } n+m \ (concat \ x \ y) \ [y_0;\ldots;y_{m-1};x_0;\ldots;x_{n-1}]} \text{ BBConcat}$$

1.1.6 Equality

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } n \ y \ [y_0; \dots; y_{n-1}]}{(bveq \ x \ y) \ \leftrightarrow \ (x_0 \leftrightarrow y_0 \ \land \dots \land x_{n-1} \leftrightarrow y_{n-1})} \text{ BBEQ}$$

1.1.7 Comparison predicates (signed/unsigned)

Unsigned less than Bit-blasted following a < b iff, for $0 \le i < n$, $(\sim a[i] \text{ AND } b[i])$ OR $(a[i] \leftrightarrow b[i] \text{ AND } a[i+1:n] < b[i+1:n])$

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } n \ y \ [y_0; \dots; y_{n-1}]}{(bvult \ x \ y) \ \leftrightarrow \ \bigvee_{i=0}^{n-1} \operatorname{res}_{(n-1)-i}} \text{BBULT}$$

in which, for $i \geq 0$,

$$res_0 = \neg x_0 \wedge y_0$$

$$res_{i+1} = ((x_{i+1} \leftrightarrow y_{i+1}) \wedge res_i) \vee (\neg x_{i+1} \wedge y_{i+1})$$

Signed less than Bit-blasted following a < b iff a is negative and b positive, or they have the same sign and the value of a is less than the value of b (i.e. the same as above)

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}] \quad \text{bbT } n \ y \ [y_0; \dots; y_{n-1}]}{(bvslt \ x \ y) \ \leftrightarrow \ (x_{n-1} \land \neg y_{n-1}) \lor \left((x_{n-1} \land y_{n-1}) \land \bigvee_{i=0}^{n-2} \operatorname{res}_{(n-2)-i} \right)} \text{ BBSLT}$$

in which, for $i \geq 0$,

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \operatorname{res}_0 & = & \neg x_0 \wedge y_0 \\ \operatorname{res}_{i+1} & = & ((x_{i+1} \leftrightarrow y_{i+1}) \wedge \operatorname{res}_i) \vee (\neg x_{i+1} \wedge y_{i+1}) \end{array}$$

1.1.8 Signed extension

$$\frac{\text{bbT } n \ x \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}]}{\text{bbT } n+k \ (bbsextend \ k \ x) \ [x_0; \dots; x_{n-1}; x_n; \dots; x_{n+k-1}]} \text{ BbSExt}$$

2 veriT proof format

Proofs involving bit-vector reasoning will have an overall structure with four components:

- 1. Inputs
- 2. Definition of bit-vector terms (via the above bit-blasting rules)
- 3. Resolution subproof of each bit-vector lemma learned
 The subproof will depend on the bit-blasting definitions and Boolean reasoning, such that one can derive e.g. the following valid clause

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(resolution ((not (= #b1 a)) (not (= #b0 b)) (not (= #b1 c)) (= (bvadd a b) c)) n1...nk) in which n1, ..., nk will be the Boolean reasoning clauses.
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4. Resolution proof using the learned bit-vector lemmas and inputs to derive a conflict.

2.1 Bit-blasting

Examples of BBVAR and BBCONST:

in which n1 is the definition of #b0010 via BBCONST and n2 the definition of a via BBVAR.