Definitions

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1 Definitions of Variable Properties

1.1 score

For a variable x, the *score* of x, denoted score(x), is the increment in the number (or total weight if using clause weighting scheme) of satisfied clauses by flipping x [7].

A variable is a *decreasing* variable if its score is positive.

1.2 age

For a variable x, the age of x, denoted age(x), is the number of steps that has occurred since x's last flip [5].

1.3 subscore

A clause is δ -satisfied if there are exactly δ true literals in that clause under the current assignment [4].

For a variable x, the subscore of x, denoted subscore(x), is defined as submake(x)-subbreak(x), where submake(x) is the number of 1-satisfied clauses that would become 2-satisfied by flipping x, and subbreak(x) is the number of 2-satisfied clauses that would become 1-satisfied by flipping x [3].

1.4 hscore

For a variable x, the hscore of x is defined as $hscore(x) = score(x) + \lfloor subscore(x)/hscore_d \rfloor + \lfloor age(x)/hscore_\beta \rfloor$, where $hscore_d$ and $hscore_\beta$ are positive integers [3].

1.5 $hscore_2$

For a variable x, the $hscore_2$ of x is defined as $hscore_2(x) = subscore(x) + \lfloor age(x)/hscore_2_\gamma \rfloor$, where $hscore_2_\gamma$ is a positive integer [1].

2 Definitions in Configuration Checking

In the context of SLS for solving SAT, different definitions of context give rise to different CC strategies – notably, Clause-states-based configuration checking (CSCC) [6] and neighbouring-variables-based configuration checking (NVCC) [4]:

- In CSCC, the context of a variable x is defined as a vector consisting of clause states of all clauses containing x. A variable x is clause-states-based configuration-changed decreasing (CSD) if (1) score(x) > 0 and (2) at least one clause containing x has changed its clause state (from satisfied to unsatisfied or vice versa) since x was last flipped. During the search process, the set of all CSD variables is denoted as CSDvars.
- In NVCC, the context of variable x is given by a vector consisting of the truth values assigned to all its neighbouring variables (i.e., those variables which differ from x and appear in at least one clause where x appears). A variable x is neighbouring-variables-based configuration-changed decreasing (NVD) if (1) score(x) > 0 and (2) one of the neighbouring variables of x has changed its truth value (from True to False or vice versa) since x was last flipped. During the search process, the set of all NVD variables is denoted as NVDvars.

3 Definitions in the Aspiration Mechanism

The key concept underlying this mechanism is the *significant decreasing* (SD) property of a variable [2]:

A variable is SD if $score(x) > \overline{w}$, where \overline{w} is the average weight of the clauses in the given CNF formula (if no clause weighting scheme is activated, a variable is SD if score(x) > 1). During the search process, the set of all SD variables is denoted as SDvars.

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