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SAT Solver for Obligatory 2

The solver checks the satisfiability of a propositional formula in clause form and provides a satisfying interpretation if applicable.

Usage

The formula may be provided in two ways: interactively or via an input file

With interactive input

Run main.py and follow the prompts on screen. You may provide an arbitrary number of clauses – one per line – with an arbitrary number of literals each. Propositional variables are represented by integers. A negative integer represents a negated literal, e.g., -1 is the negation of 1. Zero (0) is therefore **NOT** valid.

To end the clause definition and start the validation, press Ctrl+D to close the standard input (stdin).

Example run:

The last line of the output the first satisfying interpretation found – in this case to set the variable 1=False (represented by -1) and 2=True (represented by (+)2).

With file input

Alternatively, the user may provide their formula in a separate file. The file path must be provided as the first (optional) command line argument when executing the script. The file may only contain a single formula. Valid examples can be found in the folder examples.

Example run:

Performance

The case with all 2^* n clauses one can build from n propositional variables takes about 0.12 seconds for n=3 but does not terminate in reasonable time for n=4 on my machine.