CVC4 and Query Dispatcher

Query Dispatcher

- Input: SMT-LIB file
- Chooses up to 4 SMT-solvers
 - Based on results of last SMT-COMP
 - Filters solvers that can solve the input problem
 - Decision is guided by the logic of the input problem
- Runs selected solvers in parallel
- Once the first solver finishes, the rest are terminated
- Demo

Syntax Guided Interpolation in CVC4

- Interpolation:
 - Given formulas A and B such that A=>B
 - Find a formula C such that:
 - A=>C and C=>B
 - C only has symbols that are shared between A and B
- Syntax Guided Synthesis
 - Given a grammar and a property
 - Synthesize a formula in the grammar that satisfies the property
- Syntax Guided Interpolation:
 - Grammar: Symbols that are shared between A and B
 - Property: A=>C and C=>B

Interpolation for Model Checking

- Interpolants are used to over-approximate the reachable states
- Several interpolants are needed until a fixed-point is reached

- Interpolants for Bit-vectors:
 - Word-level: x+y=z, x&y>z, ...
 - Bit-level: x[0]&y[0]=z[0], ...
- Word-level interpolants have more potential:
 - Explainability: Easier to understand
 - Scalability: Amenable to more bit-vector solvers techniques

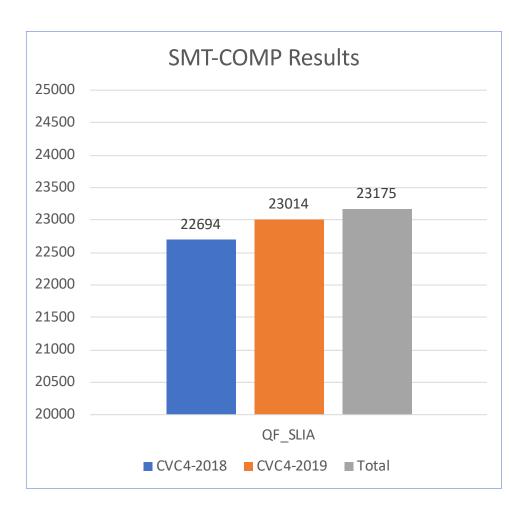
Work In Progress: CVC4-Interpolants in CoSA

| CVC4 | mathsat |
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| (! (self.cAT1 u< self.aAT1)) & (! (self.cAT1 u< self.bAT1)) | ((! (self.cAT1 u< self.bAT1)) & (! (self.cAT1 u< self.aAT1)) |
| ((config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1) & (config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1 u < 1_2)) | ((! (config_reg.conf_reg.value.clkAT1 = 0_1)) & ((0_1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1[0:0]) & (0_1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1[1:1]))) |
| ((config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1 u< 1_2) & (config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1 = 0_2)) | ((Hstate_id1HAT1 = 1_1) & (((config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1) & ((0_1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1[0:0]) & (0_1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1[1:1]))) ((config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1) & (((config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1) & ((0_1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1[0:0]) & (0_1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1[1:1]))) (config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1 = 0_2))))) |
| | ((Hstate_id1HAT1 = 1_1) & ((config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.outAT1) & ((0_1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1[0:0]) & (0_1 = config_reg.conf_reg.value.inAT1[1:1])))) |

- CVC4's interpolants are word level
- One less iteration was needed!
- However... each interpolant computation is slower.

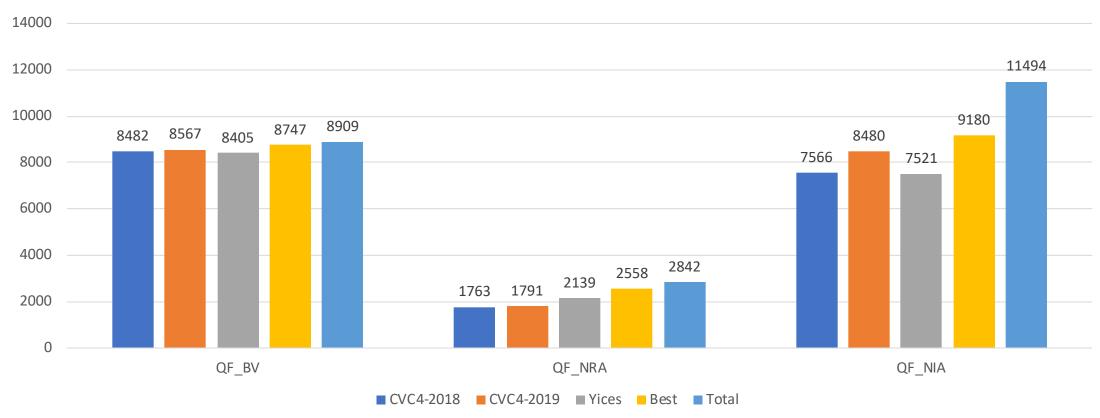
CVC4 Scalability: Strings

- String solving:
 - concat, substing, replace, etc.
 - len(s)
 - Regular expressions
- CVC4's String solver is under constant improvement
- Used by AWS for verifying access control policies
- Improved since 2018 (+320 solved)



CVC4 Scalability: Bit-vectors + Non-linear Arithmetic





- Improvement from 2018 to 2019 in all 3 divisions
- Some problems are better for CVC4, some are better for Yices
- Portfolio is always strictly better than either solver