5.33 arith_sliding

DESCRIPTION LINKS GRAPH AUTOMATON

Origin Used in the definition of some automaton

Constraint arith_sliding(VARIABLES, RELOP, VALUE)

Arguments VARIABLES : collection(var-dvar)

RELOP : atom VALUE : int

 ${\bf Restrictions} \qquad \qquad {\bf required}({\tt VARIABLES}, {\tt var})$

Purpose

 $\mathtt{RELOP} \in [=, \neq, <, \geq, >, \leq]$

Enforce for all sequences of variables $\mathtt{var}_1, \mathtt{var}_2, \dots, \mathtt{var}_i \ (1 \leq i \leq |\mathtt{VARIABLES}|)$ of the VARIABLES collection to have $(\mathtt{var}_1 + \mathtt{var}_2 + \dots + \mathtt{var}_i)$ RELOP VALUE.

Example $(\langle 0, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0, -3 \rangle, <, 4)$

The arith_sliding constraint holds since all the following seven inequalities hold:

- 0 < 4,
- 0+0<4,
- 0+0+1<4,
- 0+0+1+2 < 4,
- 0+0+1+2+0<4,
- 0+0+1+2+0+0<4,
- 0+0+1+2+0+0-3 < 4.

All solutions Figure 5.92 gives all solutions to the following non ground instance of the arith_sliding constraint: $V_1 \in [0, 5], V_2 \in [2, 3], V_3 \in [0, 4], \text{ arith_sliding}(\langle V_1, V_2, V_3 \rangle, \leq, 3).$



Figure 5.92: All solutions corresponding to the non ground example of the arith_sliding constraint of the **All solutions** slot

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Typical} & | \mathtt{VARIABLES}| > 1 \\ \mathtt{RELOP} \in [<, \geq, >, \leq] \end{array}$

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Arg. properties

 \bullet Contractible wrt. VARIABLES when RELOP \in $[<,\leq]$ and minval(VARIABLES.var) $\geq 0.$

• Suffix-contractible wrt. VARIABLES.

See also common keyword: sum_ctr (arithmetic constraint).

implies: sum_ctr.

part of system of constraints: arith.
used in graph description: arith.

Keywords characteristic of a constraint: hypergraph, automaton, automaton with counters.

combinatorial object: sequence.

constraint type: arithmetic constraint, decomposition, sliding sequence constraint.

Arc input(s) VARIABLES

Arc generator $PATH_1 \mapsto collection$

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Arc constraint(s) arith(collection, RELOP, VALUE)

Graph property(ies) NARC= |VARIABLES|

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Automaton

Figure 5.93 depicts the automaton associated with the arith_sliding constraint. To each item of the collection VARIABLES corresponds a signature variable S_i that is equal to 0.

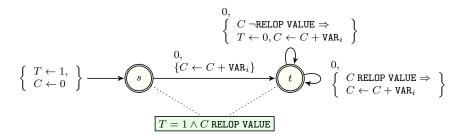


Figure 5.93: Automaton of the arith_sliding constraint (T is initially set to 1 and reset to 0 as soon as one of the sliding constraints does not hold)

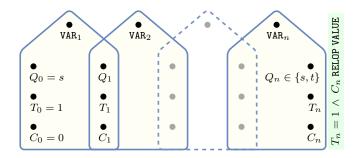


Figure 5.94: Hypergraph of the reformulation corresponding to the automaton (with two counters) of the arith_sliding constraint (since all states of the automaton are accepting there is no restriction on the last variable Q_n)