

Congruence Closure Algorithm

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1 Introduction

This paper presents the research conducted within the scope of the Automatic Reasoning course for the academic year 2022/2023. Specifically, the focus lies on the implementation of the Congruence Closure Algorithm utilizing Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAGs).

The content of the project can be found at the following link: [Leonardo Zecchin's project](#).

2 Implementation

2.1 Project structure

1. The *mainProgram* program implements the algorithm by reading an input file that contains formulas in normal form, e.g., $f(a,b)=a$ and $f(f(a,b),b)!\!=a$.
2. The *theParser.py* program implements the algorithm by reading an input file that contains the formulas that need to be brought into DNF form and then brought to normal form, e.g., $\text{and}(\text{eq}(f(a,b),a),\text{dis}(f(f(a,b),b),a))$ becomes $f(a,b)=a$ and $f(f(a,b),b)!\!=a$; or $\text{imply}(\text{eq}(x,g(y,z)),\text{eq}(f(x),f(g(y,z))))$ becomes $\text{and}(\text{eq}(x,g(y,z)),\text{dis}(f(x),f(g(y,z))))$ and after $x=g(y,z)$ and $f(x)!\!=f(g(y,z))$.

Within the `code` folder are the codes that are used by the main programs, in particular `cca` is used for the **Congruence Closure Algorithm**, while the other programs were used during implementation.

Inside the `classes` folder, you will find two important classes: `dag` and `node`, which are utilized by the algorithm.

In the `input` and `output` folders, there are two types of files:

1. `input.txt` and `output.txt`: the former contains the formulas in the normal form, and in the latter, you will find the algorithm's resulting outcomes.
2. `inputToParser.txt` and `outputToParser.txt`: the former contains formulas that must be parsed, and in the latter, you will find the algorithm's resulting outcomes.

2.2 The Algorithm

The structure of the algorithm is the following:

Given Σ_E -formula

$$F : s_1 = t_1 \wedge \dots \wedge s_m = t_m \wedge s_{m+1} \neq t_{m+1} \wedge \dots \wedge s_n \neq t_n$$

with subterm set S_F , perform the following steps:

1. Construct the initial DAG for the subterm set S_F .
2. For $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, MERGE $s_i t_i$.
3. If FIND $s_i = \text{FIND } t_i$ for some $i \in \{m+1, \dots, n\}$, return unsatisfiable.
4. Otherwise (if FIND $s_i \neq \text{FIND } t_i$ for all $i \in \{m+1, \dots, n\}$) return satisfiable.

Inside the `dag.py` you will find the implementation of the algorithm's functions: *MERGE*, *UNION*, *CONGRUENT*, *CCPAR*, *FIND* and *NODE*, the specific explanation of functions is outside the scope of the paper.

The implementation of the algorithm is within the `cca.py` in particular the function is the `congruenceClosureAlgorithm` which takes in input:

1. `F_plus`: it contains the formulas with equality ($=$);
2. `F_minus`: it contains the formulas with disequality (\neq);
3. `Sf`: the subterm set;
4. `new_dag`: is the DAG that represents the subterm set.

```
def congruenceClosureAlgorithm(F_plus, F_minus, Sf, new_dag):
    for f in F_plus:
        #Step 1
        idx1, idx2 = getIndex(f, Sf)
        new_dag.MERGE(idx1, idx2)
    #Step 2
    for f in F_minus:
        idx1, idx2 = getIndex(f, Sf)
        if new_dag.FIND(idx1) == new_dag.FIND(idx2):
            return False
        else:
            return True
```

In the `congruenceClosureAlgorithm` there are the implementation the second, the third and fourth steps.

2.3 Differences with pseudocode

The only difference between my code and the pseudocode is in the `UNION` function:

```
def UNION(self, id1: int, id2: int) -> None:
    print(f"UNION {id1} {id2}")
    n1 = self.NODE(id1)
    n2 = self.NODE(id2)
    n1_ccpar = self.CCPAR(id1)
    n2_ccpar = self.CCPAR(id2)
    if self.FIND(n1.find) != n1.id:
        self.NODE(self.FIND(n1.find)).find = n2.find
    else:
        n1.find = n2.find
    n2_ccpar = n2_ccpar + n1_ccpar
    n1_ccpar = []
```

I introduced the `if/else` statement to address scenarios in which the algorithm needs to modify the `find` field of the `n1` node, but it is connected to another node. In such cases, I must also modify the `find` field of the node linked to `n1`. Additionally, a notable distinction is that `UNION` stores the respective **CCPAR** values in `n1_ccpar` and `n2_ccpar` prior to altering these fields.

3 Results

In this section we show the results obtain with the algorithm.

3.1 Table

Experiments			
Formulas	DNF	Satisfiability	Time execution
- $\text{imply}(\text{eq}(x, g(y, z)), \text{eq}(f(x), f(g(y, z))))$	$x = g(y, z) \text{ and } f(x) \neq f(g(y, z))$	UNSAT	0.0004217
- $\text{and}(\text{eq}(f(a, b), a), \text{dis}(f(f(a, b), b), a))$	$f(a, b) = a \text{ and } f(f(a, b), b) \neq a$	UNSAT	0.000449
- $\text{and}(\text{eq}(f(f(a))), a), \text{and}$ $(\text{eq}(f(f(f(f(a))))), a), \text{dis}(f(a), a))$	$f(f(f(a))) = a \text{ and}$ $f(f(f(f(f(a)))))) = a \text{ and } f(a) \neq a$	UNSAT	0.0006108
- $\text{and}(\text{eq}(f(f(f(a))), f(a)),$ $\text{and}(\text{eq}(f(f(a)), a), \text{dis}(f(a), a)))$	$f(f(f(a))) = f(a) \text{ and } f(f(a)) = a$ $\text{and } f(a) \neq a$	SAT	0.000388
- $\text{and}(\text{eq}(x, g(x, z)), \text{dis}(f(x), f(g(y, z))))$	$x = g(x, z) \text{ and } f(x) \neq f(g(y, z))$	SAT	0.00032