



Projected d-DNNF Compilation for Feature Models

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1. Motivation

Model Counting

Problem

Counting the number of satisfiable assignments of a propositional formula F . Denoted as $|F|$.

p	q	$F = a \wedge b$
1	1	1
1	0	0
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#SAT

Counts the number of solutions of a propositional formula.
Worst-case exponential complexity!

d-DNNF

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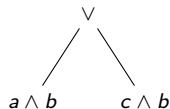
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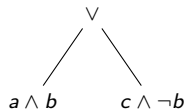
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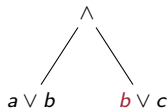
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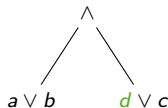
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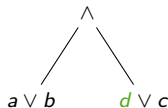
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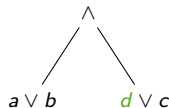
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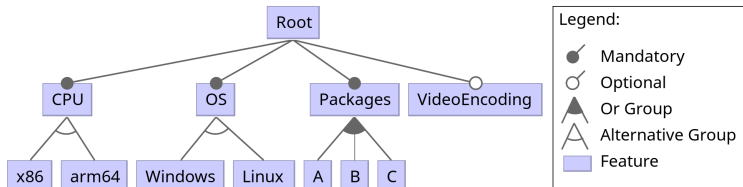
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d-DNNF formulas allow linear-time model counting

d-DNNF Compilation: CNF \rightarrow d-DNNF

Knowledge-Compilation: It's still just a formula

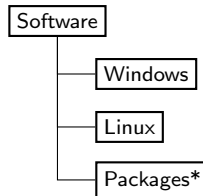
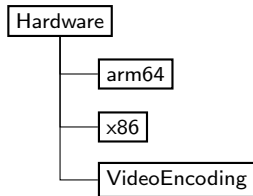
Feature Models



For this thesis, we can treat feature models as propositional formulas

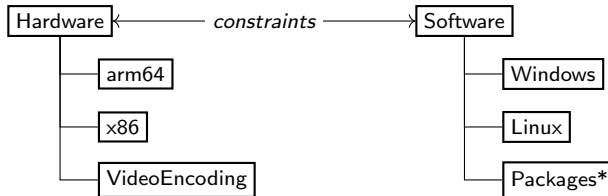
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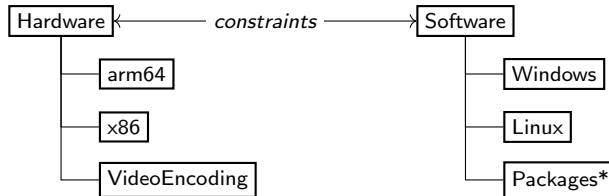
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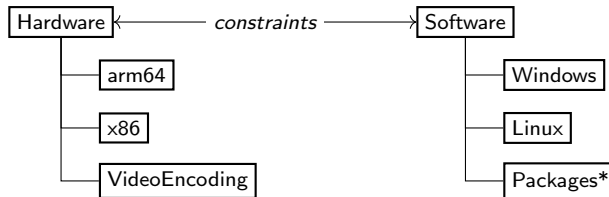


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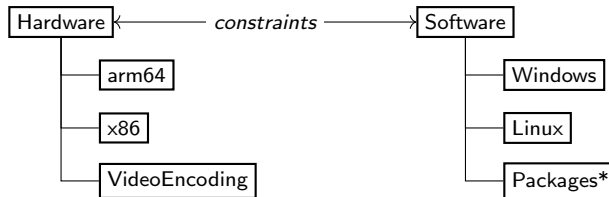
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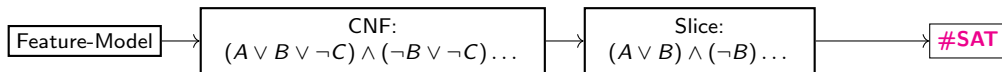
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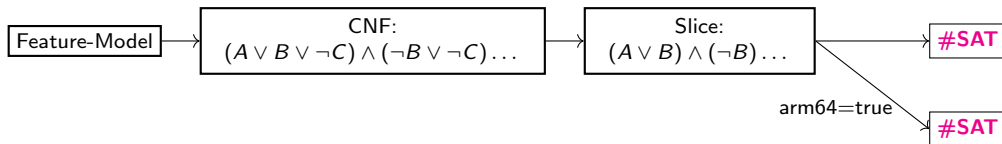
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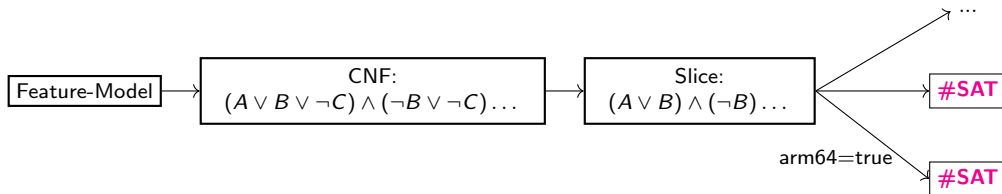
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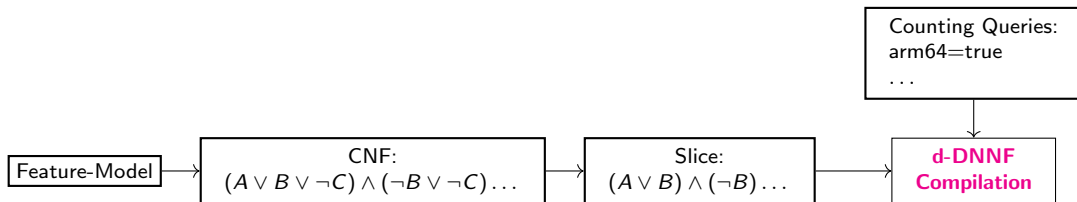
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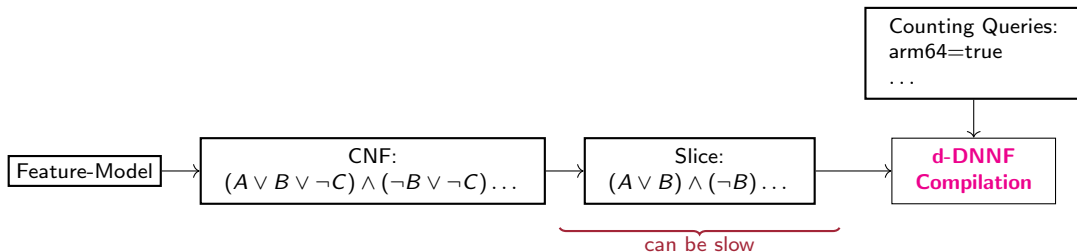
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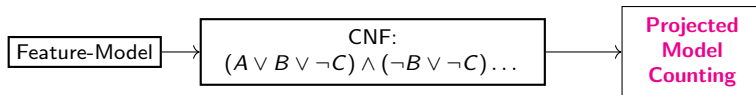
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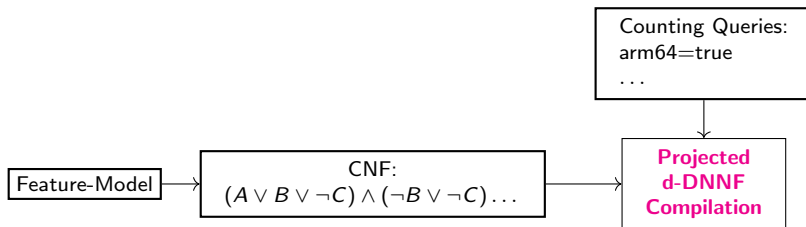
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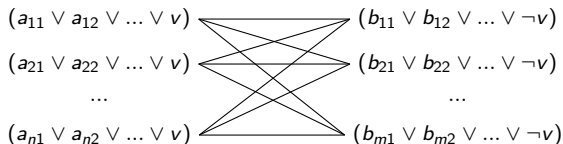
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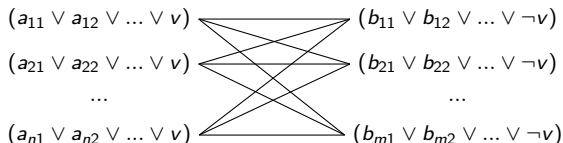
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Exponential clause count increase for multiple variables.

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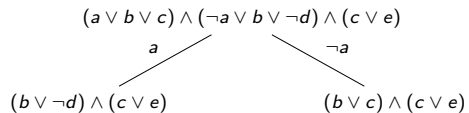
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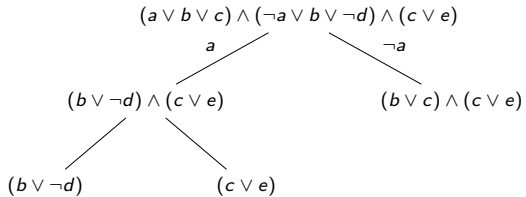
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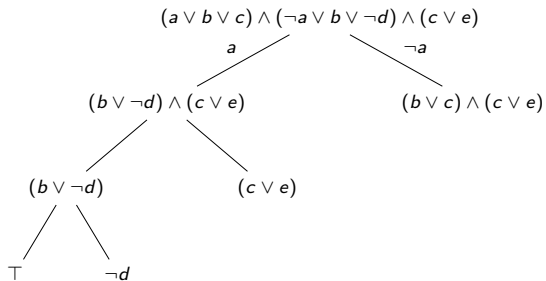
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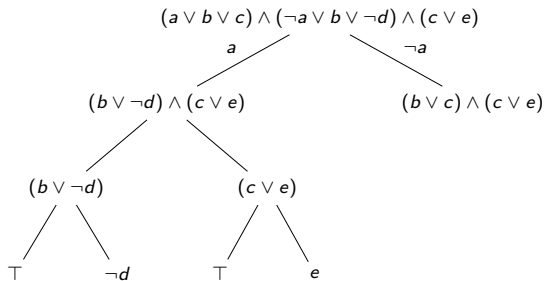
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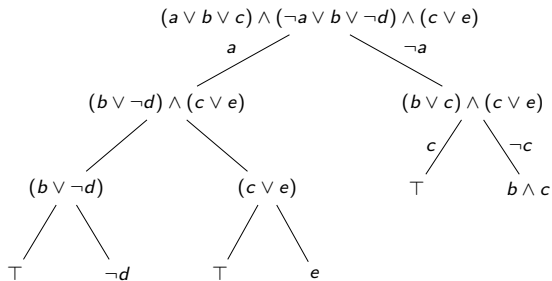
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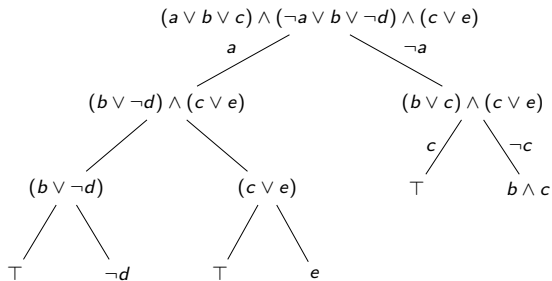
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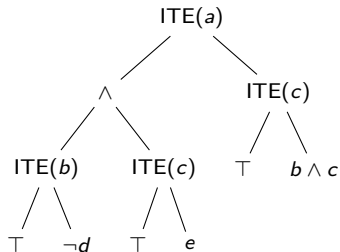


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ITE = If Then Else

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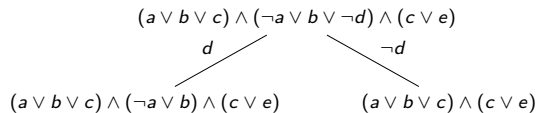
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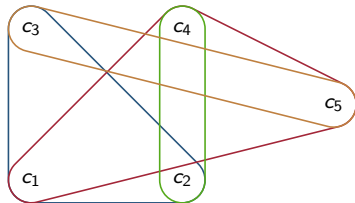
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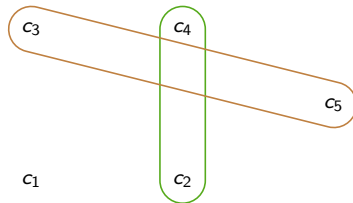
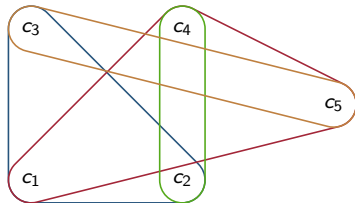


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2. Our Contributions

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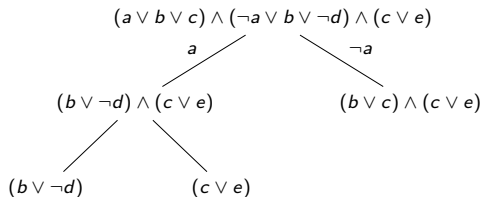
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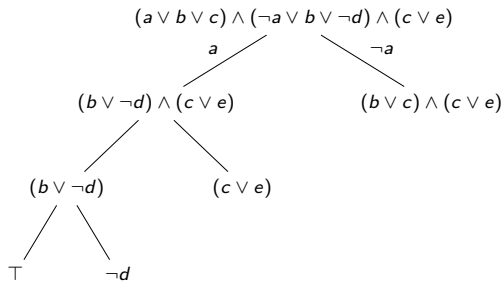


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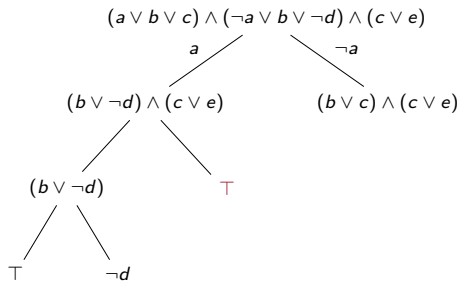


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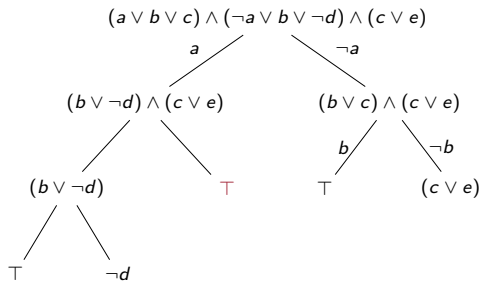


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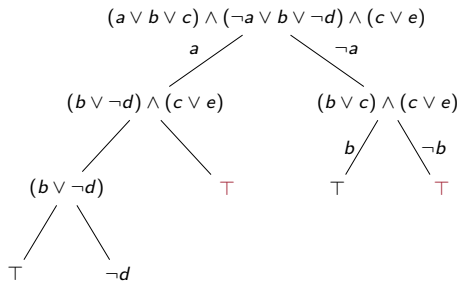


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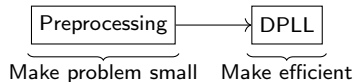
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Integration and Optimization in D4³

Two approaches: Better Preprocessing, Faster DPLL



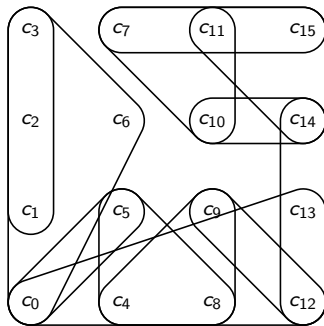
Contributions

- New dual weighted hypergraph partitioning heuristic
- Dynamic pure Literal elimination
- New partial resolution preprocessing heuristic based upon GPMC²
- Integration of multiple established preprocessing methods

²<https://git.trs.css.i.nagoya-u.ac.jp/k-hasimt/GPMC>

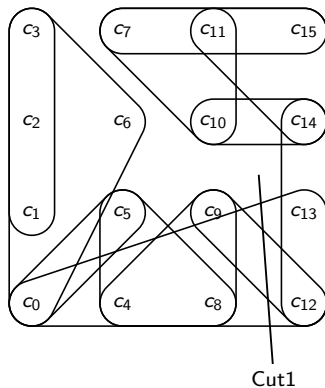
³An Improved Decision-DNNF Compiler, Lagniez et al.

Dual Weighted Hypergraph Partitioning



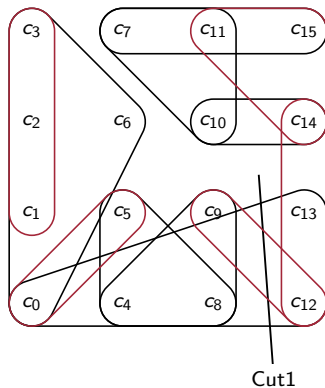
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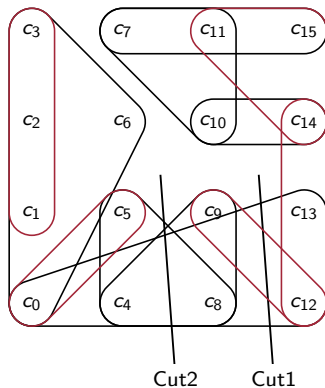
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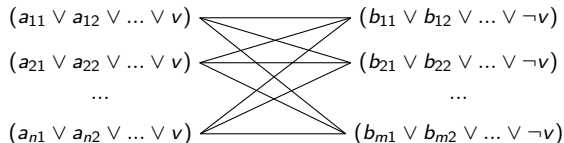
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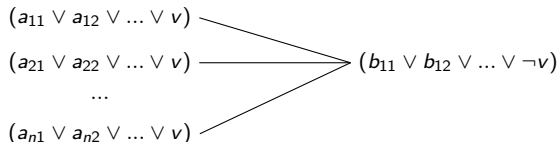
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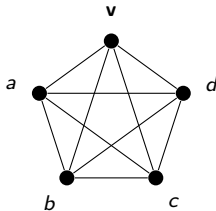
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Tree-likeness of Clauses \cong Problem Complexity
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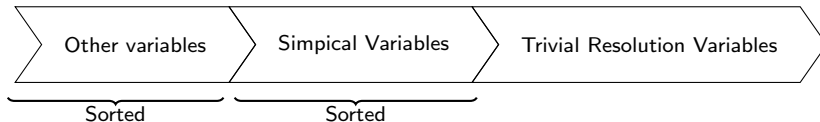
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New Combined Heuristic

Group by:

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2. Simpical variables
3. Other variables

Sort by: $v_p * v_n$ and average clause length

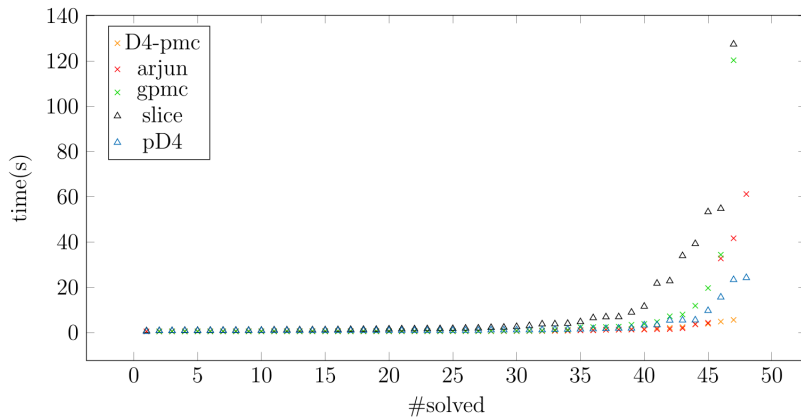


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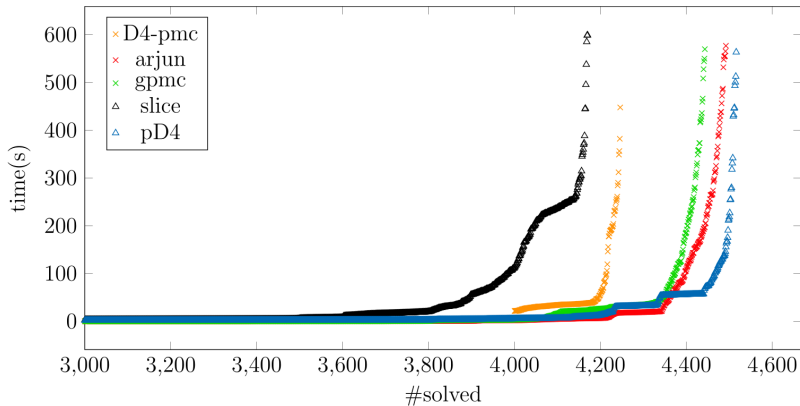
Solvers

- **pD4**: Our approach
- **slice**: Slicing followed by d-DNNF compilation
- **gpmc**: 1st place projected model counter in MC2022
- **D4-pmc**: 2nd place projected model counter in MC2022
- **arjun**: 3rd place projected model counter in MC2022

Experiment1: Industrial Projection



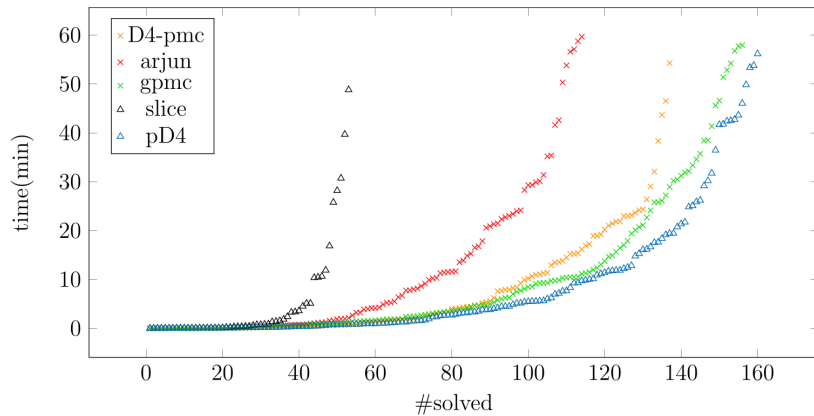
Experiment2: Generated Projection



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Model	d4-pmc	arjun	pD4	slice	gpmc
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<i>Smarch.2.6.28.6-icse11</i>	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Smarch.freetz</i>	0	42	65	0	36
<i>Smarch.buildroot</i>	0	92	100	0	93
<i>KConfig.linux-2.6.33.3</i>	27	90	96	63	55
<i>Smarch.embt toolkit</i>	20	100	100	0	100
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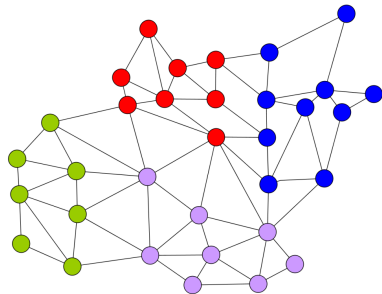
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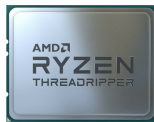
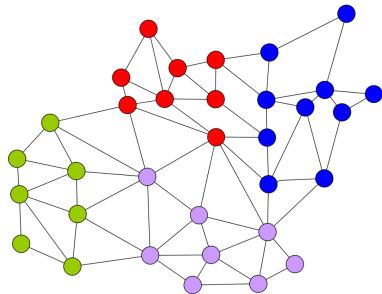
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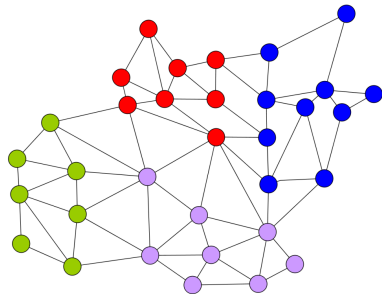
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