

Separation Logic Competition SL-COMP 2018

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Outline

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SL-COMP

Started in 2014 as a satellite event of SMT-COMP 2014:

- Objectives:
 - promote the implementation effort on solvers for SL
 - share a benchmark of interesting problems
 - compare techniques
- Results:
 - 6 solvers
 - 678 problems, 25% sat and 75% entailment
 - common input format based on SMT-LIB 2.0
 - 5 divisions of (mainly) **quantifier free** formulas in the **symbolic heap** fragment with specific (e.g., *lseg*) or general inductive definitions

The second edition, SL-COMP 2018

Same objectives, **new results**:

- **new cleaner input format**, aligned with SMT-LIB 2.6
- **+618** ($\sim +100\%$) new benchmarks, fixes some old ones
- **+6** divisions, better naming
- **+4** (initially +6) solvers
- **gain in visibility**

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- datatypes used to define types of heap cells
 - locations are abstract sorts
- funs-rec used for inductive heap predicates

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Extend with a new command for heap typing

```
(declare-heap (RefCell Cell) (RefTree Tree))
```

Input Format (cont.)

Theory SepLogTyped has no predefined sorts but new operators:

```
:fun ( (emp Bool)
      (sep Bool Bool Bool :left-assoc)
      (wand Bool Bool Bool :right-assoc)
      (par (L D) (pto L D Bool))
      (par (L) (nil L)) )
```

Logics are defined as usual in SMT-lib.

Free variables are declared as constants (SMT-lib style)

Problems are either:

- sat, input is a set of assertions
- ent1, input is two assertions, φ followed by $\neg\psi$, to check $\varphi \models \psi$

Division Naming

Division = a logic + a problem

- 8 divisions in SL-COMP'18 (+5 wrt 2014)

Naming follows rules of SMT-lib

- prefix *QF_* for quantifier free (SMT-lib)
- *LIA* for linear arithmetics (SMT-lib)
- *SH* for symbolic heaps
- *BSL* for boolean combination
- *ID* for general well-formed (SMT-lib) inductive definitions
- *LID* for linear ID (lists, nested lists, skip lists)

Example: `qf_shidlja_ent1`

Collected Problems by Division

Division	#problems
qf_bsl_sat	46
qf_bsllia_sat	24
qf_shid_entl	311
qf_shid_sat	99
qf_shidlja_entl	75
qf_shidlja_sat	33
qf_shlid_entl	59
qf_shls_entl	296
qf_shls_sat	110
shid_entl	73
shidlja_entl	181

Participants

Old fellows (6):

- **Asterix**: A. Rybalchenko (MSR), J.A. Navarro Perez (Google)
- **CYCLIST** & **SLSAT**: N. Gorogiannis (Middlesex U.)
- **SLEEK**: B. Lee, C. Wei Ngan (NUS)
- **SLIDE**: R. Iosif (Verimag); A. Rogalewicz (TU Brno)
- **SPEN**: C. Enea, M.S. (UPD); T. Vojnar, O. Lengal (TU Brno)

New fellows (4 + 2):

- *ComSPEN*: C. Gao, Z. Wu (Acad. China)
- **CVC4**: A. J. Reynolds (U. Iowa)
- **Harrsh**: J. Katelaan (TU Vienna)
- *Inductor*: R. Iosif, C. Serban (Verimag)
- **S2S**: L. Le Quang (Teesside U.)
- *Sloth*: J. Katelaan (TU Vienna)
- **Songbird**: T. Ta Quang, C. Wei Ngan (NUS)

Participants by Underlying Technique

- *SMT solving*: Asterix, CVC4
- *Language theory* (tree automata): SLIDE, SPEN
- *Small model and SMT*: ComSPEN, Harrsh, Sloth
- *Proofs*: SLEEK, SPEN
- *Cyclic proofs*: CYCLIST, Songbird
- *Not provided*: S2S

Collected Set of Benchmarks

Division	size	Solver
qf_bsl_sat	46	CVC4
qf_bsllia_sat	24	CVC4
qf_shid_entl	312	CYCLIST, S2S, SLEEK, SLIDE, Songbird, SPEN
qf_shid_sat	99	CYCLIST, Harrsh, S2S, SLEEK
qf_shidlialia_entl	61	ComSPEN, S2S
qf_shidlialia_sat	33	ComSPEN, S2S
qf_shlid_entl	60	ComSPEN, SPEN
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... and in a diagram

Execution on StarExec

NB: rules are not clearly stated, very flexible, on demand
Yet,

- solver binary running on StarExec
 - pull out 2 solvers!
- by default: 600 sec of timeout and 4 GB of memory
 - initially 120 sec and 1 GB, request to increase
 - timeout increased to 2400 then 3600 if resourced out
- 3 or 4 rounds, depending on
 - availability of the final version of the solver
 - number of resourced out problems

Division *qf_shls_entl*

- Origin: *sllla_entl* of SL-COMP'14
- 7 solvers, 296 problems
- mainly run with 600 sec and 4GB
- too much wrong results
 - a problem in pre-processors?
 - inconsistency of solvers?

Entry division, includes problems that reveal solver's corner cases.

Division *qf_shls_sat*

- Origin: *slla_sat* of SL-COMP'14
- 7 solvers, 110 problems
- mainly run with 600 sec and 4GB
- PTIME algorithm, not for proof techniques

Asterix is still the best!

Division *qf_shid_entl*

- Origin: *UDB_entl* of SL-COMP'14
- 6 solvers, 312 problems
- interesting runs when timeout is ≥ 2400
 - yet, some problems are easy (see SPEN-TA)
 - a lot of wrong results!

Definitively a difficult division!

Division *qf_shlid_entl*

- Origin: *FDB_entl* of SL-COMP'14
 - ID with linear form, have a PTIME algorithm
- 6 solvers, 60 problems
- fragment not clearly defined, so many wrong results

Put on show S2S!

but

Work to do on the benchmark!

Division *shid_entl*

- Origin: *UDB_entl* of SL-COMP'14
 - incorrectly classified QF
 - mainly quantifiers in consequent
- 5 solvers, 73 problems
- Execution timeouts set to 2400 sec at least

Put on show Songbird!

Division *qf_shid_sat*

- Origin: *UDB_sat* of SL-COMP'14
- 7 solvers, 99 problems
- Impressive differences in execution times
- Some problems to be fixed with 9 problems or in the pre-processors

Put on show CYCLIST-SLSAT!

Divisions *qf_bsl_sat* and *qf_bsllia_sat*

- New, problems mainly provided by CVC4
- 1(+/1/) solver
- Question: what to do with magic wand?

Need for solvers to challenge CVC4!

Division *qf_shidlia_entl*

- New, problems from proof based solvers
- 3 solvers, 33 problems
- Execution times differ very much

Put on show S2S!

Division *shidlia_entl*

- New, problems from proof based solvers
- 3 solvers, 181 problems
- Execution timeouts shall be ≥ 2400 sec

Put on show Songbird!

Conclusion and Future

Successfull edition:

- new benchmark for interesting logics
 - extension with arithmetics and boolean combination
- clean input and tools supporting it
 - C++ and Ocaml parser and checkers (typing, logic)
- new solvers, old ones are still competitive

Future:

- clean existing benchmark based on analysers
- fix problems of running on StarExec for some solvers
- fix inconsistency in solvers and pre-processors
- **Toolympics at ETAPS 2019:**
 - competition presentation: accepted
 - official publication in ETAPS proceedings?
 - re-run for April 2019??