

The OpenSMT Solver in SMT-COMP 2021 – To Be Updated

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1 Overview

OpenSMT [8] is a T-DPLL based SMT solver [13] that has been developed at USI, Switzerland, since 2008. The solver is written in C++ and currently supports the quantifier-free logics of equality with uninterpreted functions (QF_UF), and linear real arithmetic (QF_LRA). The solver has a rudimentary support for quantifier-free linear integer arithmetic (QF_LIA) based on branch-and-bound, and supports some aspects of bit-vector logic (QF_BV).

In comparison to 2019, the 2020 competition entry features a wide range of performance improvements especially in our implementation of the Simplex algorithm [6], and to lesser extent in simplification, and in the Egraph algorithm [5]. Additional improvement regards the performance of incremental solving. Finally, the support for producing model for satisfiable instances has been added for QF_LRA. In the process, the solver high-level architecture improved, a few bugs related to solver soundness has been fixed, and low-level code cleaning resulted in elimination of standard compiler warnings.

The most important optimization added in the last year is a decision heuristic in SAT solver for deciding the polarity of the chosen decision variable based on suggestion from the theory solver. Choosing polarity that is consistent with the current satisfying assignment of the theory solver yielded a huge performance improvement on QF_LRA benchmarks and a small improvement on QF_UF benchmarks. Other important optimizations in LRA theory solver include lazy tableau representation and a single backup assignment.

OpenSMT features not exercised in the competition include support for a wide range of interpolation algorithms for propositional logic [2], linear real arithmetic [4], and uninterpreted functions [3] (now available also in the incremental mode); an experimental lookahead-based search algorithm [9] as an alternative to the more standard CDCL algorithm; and features that support search-space partitioning in particular designed for parallel solving [10].

2 External Code and Contributors

The SAT solver driving OpenSMT is based on the MiniSAT solver [7], and the rational number implementation is inspired by a library written by David Monniaux. Several people have directly contributed to the OpenSMT code. In alphabetical order, the major contributors are Leonardo Alt (Ethereum Foundation), Sepideh Asadi (USI), Martin Blicha (USI, Charles University), Roberto Bruttomesso (Cybersecurity / Nozomi Networks), Antti E. J. Hyvärinen (USI), Matteo Marescotti (USI), Rodrigo Benedito Otoni (USI), Edgar Pek (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign), Simone Fulvio Rollini (United Technologies Research Center), Parvin Sadigova (King's College London), and Aliaksei Tsitovich (Sonova). The solver is being developed in Natasha Sharygina's software verification group at USI.

3 Utilization

OpenSMT is used in a range of projects as a back-end solver. Recent examples include its use as an interpolation engine of the Sally model checker [11] which won the first and the second place in the transition systems category in the constrained Horn clause competition 2019 and 2020, respectively. OpenSMT also forms the basis of our own model checkers such as HiFrog [1]. OpenSMT is compatible with the SMTS parallelization framework [12].

4 Availability

The source code repository and more information on the solver is available at

- <https://github.com/usi-verification-and-security/opensmt> and
- <http://verify.inf.usi.ch/opensmt>

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