

Prime Compilation of Non-Clausal Formulae

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Contributions

- A new approach that can compile **non-clausal formulae**
- Can compile formulae with **thousands of variables**
- It's completely based on **SAT technology**

Basic Definitions

A **literal** is a variable or its negation

- **Clause**: A **disjunction** of literals

$$(c \vee \neg a)$$

Satisfied clause: at least one literal is **true** under the given assignment to variables

- **Term**: A **conjunction** of literals

$$(c \wedge \neg a)$$

Satisfied term: all of its literals are **true** under the given assignment to variables

Propositional formulae

- **Clausal:**

- **CNF:** conjunction of clauses

$$(c \vee a) \wedge (c \vee \neg a)$$

- **DNF:** disjunction of terms

$$(c \wedge a) \vee (c \wedge \neg a)$$

- **Non-clausal:**

- Non-CNF and Non-DNF
- **Propositional formulae:** well-formed formulae built with standard connectives \neg, \wedge, \vee

$$((c \wedge a) \vee (c \wedge \neg a)) \wedge d$$

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OR

1. Convert F to F_{CNF} using a **Tseitin encoding**
2. Reduce an implicant I_n using the following procedure:

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input  : Formula  $F_{CNF}$ ,  $I_n$  and  $Var(F)$ 
output: Prime Implicant in  $I_n$ 
1 foreach  $I \in I_n$  and  $var(I) \in Var(F)$  do
2   |  $I'_n = I_n \setminus \{I\}$ 
3   | if  $I'_n \wedge \neg F$  unsat then
4   |   |  $I_n = I'_n$ 
5   |   | else
6   |   |   | continue
7 return  $I_n$ 
8 end
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Related work and drawback

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They all assume the formula in CNF (DNF) or they are limited to formulae with few variables

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- Example Minimal Hitting Set:

$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \{a, b, c\} \\ \{b, d\} \\ \{e\} \end{bmatrix}$$

$H_1 = \{b, e\}$, $H_2 = \{a, d, e\}$, $H_3 = \{c, d, e\}$.

Note that instead $\{a, b, e\}$ is not a Minimal Hitting Set.

Hitting Set Duality (2)

- Prime Implicants and Implicates are related by a hitting set duality
 - $PI_n(F)$: set of all prime implicants of F
 - $PI_e(F)$: set of all prime implicates of F

A term (clause) I is a prime implicant (implicate) of F if and only if I is a minimal hitting set of $PI_e(F)$ ($PI_n(F)$)

This remains true for any subset of $PI_e(F)$ ($PI_n(F)$) that is equivalent to F (cover)

MHS on subsets of $PI_e(F)$ ($PI_n(F)$)

- Suppose $PI'_e(F) \subset PI_e(F)$ and $PI'_e(F)$ not equivalent to F
 - A MHS p of $PI'_e(F)$ does not necessarily correspond to a prime implicant

A term p is a prime implicant of F if

1. p is a MHS of $PI'_e(F)$
2. $p \wedge \neg F$ is unsatisfiable

- When sets are represented as clauses with positive literals, **minimal models** correspond to MHS
 - A **minimal model** is a model containing a minimal number of variables assigned to true

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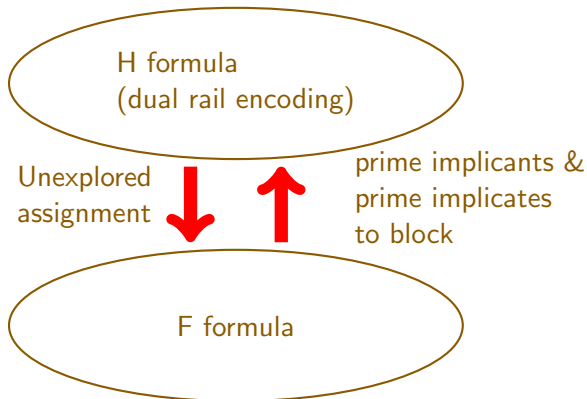
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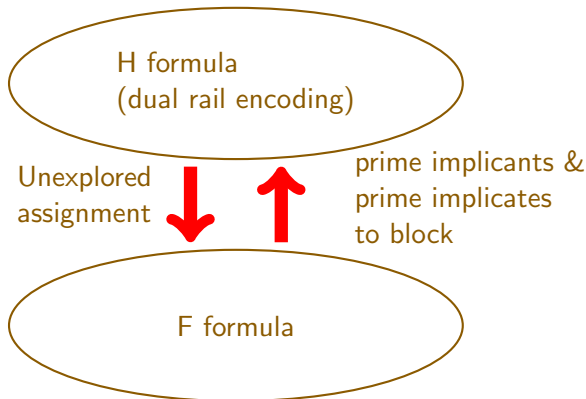
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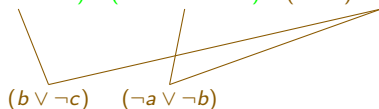
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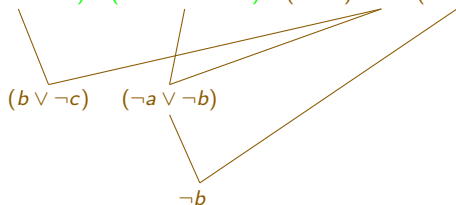
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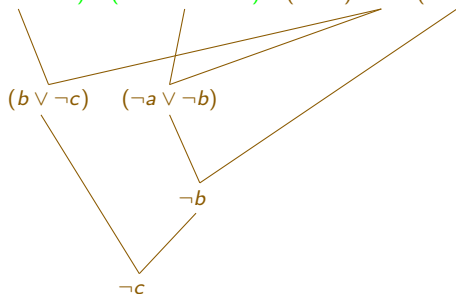
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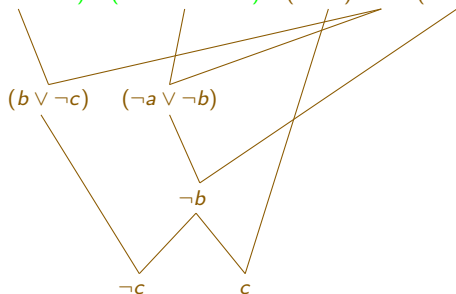
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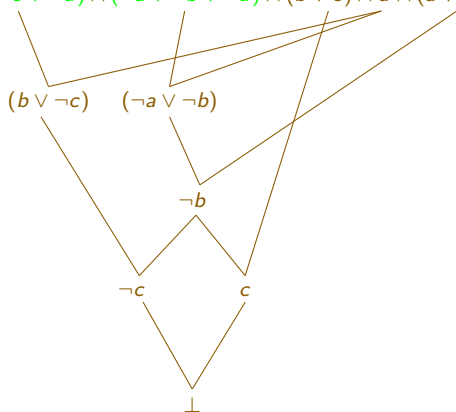
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Dual Rail Encoding (2)

- For each variable v in $var(F)$ create two variables x_v and $x_{\neg v}$:
 1. $(x_v = 1 \text{ and } x_{\neg v} = 0) \Rightarrow v = 1$
 2. $(x_v = 0 \text{ and } x_{\neg v} = 1) \Rightarrow v = 0$
 3. $(x_v = 0 \text{ and } x_{\neg v} = 0) \Rightarrow v$ is a don't care
 4. $(x_v = 1 \text{ and } x_{\neg v} = 1) \Rightarrow$ forbidden

In order to achieve the requirement of point 4 add the clause

$$\{(\neg x_v \vee \neg x_{\neg v}) \mid v \in var(F)\}$$

Algorithm primer-b

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output: $PI_n(F)$ and prime implicate cover of F

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7   if st then                                     #  $F \models \neg M^{-F}$ ; i.e.  $\neg M^{-F}$  is an implicate
8      $I_e \leftarrow \text{ReduceImplicate}(M^{-F}, F)$ 
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If unsatisfiable then all the prime implicants have been computed!!

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$$A^H = \begin{array}{cccc} (x_a \ x_{\neg a}) & (x_b \ x_{\neg b}) & (x_c \ x_{\neg c}) & (x_d \ x_{\neg d}) \\ 10 & 00 & 10 & 10 \end{array}$$

\Downarrow

$$A^F = \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ (a) & (b) & (c) & (d) \end{array}$$

Assignment to test: $a \wedge c \wedge d$

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input : Formula F_{CNF} , l_e and $\text{Var}(F)$

output: Prime Implicate in l_e

```
1 foreach  $l \in l_e$  and  $\text{var}(l) \in \text{Var}(F)$  do
2    $l'_e = l_e \setminus \{l\}$ 
3   if  $l'_e \wedge F$  unsat then
4      $l_e = l'_e$ 
5   else
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7 return  $l_e$ 
8 end
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Example using dual rail encoding and minimal models

$$H = B \wedge (\neg x_{\neg b} \vee \neg x_c \vee \neg x_d) \wedge (\neg x_a \vee \neg x_b \vee \neg x_d) \wedge (x_b \vee x_c) \wedge x_d \wedge (x_a \vee x_c) \wedge (x_a \vee x_{\neg b})$$

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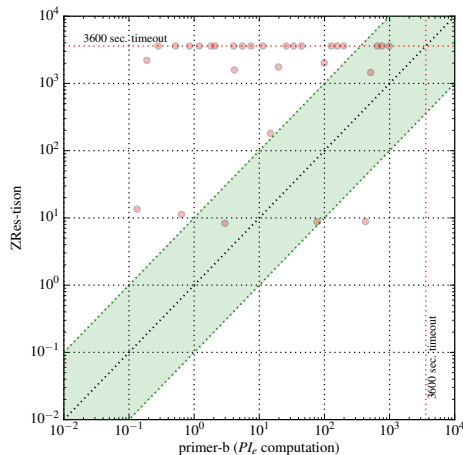


$$A^F = \begin{array}{cccc} & 1 & D & 1 & 1 \\ & (a) & (b) & (c) & (d) \end{array}$$

$a \wedge c \wedge d$ is the last remaining prime implicant and is returned as a model!

Results

	QG6	Geffe gen.	F+PHP	F+GT	Total
ZRes-tison	0	0	11	0	11
primer-a (PI_n)	53	596	30	26	705
primer-a (PI_e)	28	588	30	27	673
primer-b (PI_n)	64	595	30	30	719
primer-b (PI_e)	30	577	30	27	664



primer-b vs Zres on
F+PHP family

Conclusion & Future Work

- Presented a new approach that can compile **non-clausal formulae**
- Can compile formulae with **thousands of variables**
- It's completely based on **SAT technology**
- Complements existing approaches

- Future work
 - Applications of prime enumeration
 - SAT-Based Formula Simplification [IPM15]
 - Preferred prime implicants/implicates
 - Horn LUB [MPM15]

Thank You