

Exercises for “Decision Procedures for Verification” Exercise sheet 3

Exercise 3.1:

Determine the polarity of the following subformulae of

$$F = \neg((\neg(P \wedge \neg Q)) \vee (R \vee \neg S)) \vee (U \wedge V)$$

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| (1) $(P \wedge \neg Q)$ | (4) Q |
| (2) $(R \vee \neg S)$ | (5) S |
| (3) $((\neg(P \wedge \neg Q)) \vee (R \vee \neg S))$ | (6) V |

Exercise 3.2:

Let F be the following formula in NNF:

$$[((Q \wedge \neg P) \wedge (\neg Q \vee \neg R)) \vee (Q \wedge (\neg Q \vee P) \wedge \neg P)] \wedge (P \vee R).$$

Convert F to CNF using the *satisfiability-preserving transformation* described in the lecture.

Exercise 3.3:

Consider the formulae $F_n = \bigvee_{i=1}^n (Q_i \wedge R_i)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

In the previous exercise we saw that the CNF formula F'_n constructed using the distributivity of disjunctions over conjunctions from F has 2^n clauses.

- As a function of n , how many clauses are in the CNF formula F''_n obtained using the structure-preserving translation to clause form?
- For which n is the first approach better?

Exercise 3.4:

Use the resolution calculus to prove that the following set of clauses is unsatisfiable:

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| (1) | $\neg Q \vee \neg R \vee P$ |
| (2) | $\neg Q \vee \neg R \vee S$ |
| (3) | $Q \vee \neg R$ |
| (4) | $\neg S \vee \neg P$ |
| (5) | R |

Exercise 3.5:

Find a total ordering on the propositional variables A, B, C, D, E , such that the associated clause ordering \succ_C orders the clauses like this:

$$B \vee C \succ_C A \vee A \vee \neg C \succ_C C \vee E \succ_C C \vee D \succ_C \neg A \vee D \succ_C \neg E.$$

Exercise 3.6:

Let N be the following set of clauses:

- (1) $\neg P_3 \vee P_1 \vee P_1$
- (2) $\neg P_2 \vee P_1$
- (3) $P_4 \vee P_4$
- (4) P_4
- (5) $P_3 \vee \neg P_2$
- (6) $P_4 \vee P_3$

- (1) Let \succ be the ordering on propositional variables defined by $P_4 \succ P_3 \succ P_2 \succ P_1$. Sort the clauses in N according to \succ_C . Which literals are maximal in the clauses of N ?
- (2) Can you construct a model of N using the canonical construction presented in the lecture.

Supplementary exercise (continuation from sheet 2)

Let F be a formula, P a propositional variable not occurring in F , and F' a subformula of F .

We will write F also as $F[F']$ in order to emphasize that F' occurs in F . Let $F[P]$ be the formula obtained from F by replacing the subformula F' with the propositional variable P .

Prove:

The formula $F[P] \wedge (P \leftrightarrow F')$ is satisfiable if and only if $F[F']$ is satisfiable.

Hint: The original property itself is too weak and cannot be proven by induction, due to the fact that we cannot assume satisfiability for $\neg G$ in the induction step $F = \neg G$.

A way to still prove this property is to prove the following two things:

- Let $\mathcal{A}: \Pi \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ such that $\mathcal{A}(P) = \mathcal{A}(F')$, then $\mathcal{A}(F[P]) = \mathcal{A}(F[F'])$.
- $F[P] \wedge (P \leftrightarrow F')$ is satisfiable if and only if $F[F']$ is satisfiable.

Supplementary exercise

Let F be a formula containing neither \rightarrow nor \leftrightarrow , P a propositional variable not occurring in F , and F' a subformula of F .

We will write F also as $F[F']$ in order to emphasize that F' occurs in F . Let $F[P]$ be the formula obtained from F by replacing the subformula F' with the propositional variable P .

Prove:

- (1) If F' has positive polarity in F then $F[F']$ is satisfiable if and only if $F[P] \wedge (P \rightarrow F')$ is satisfiable.

(2) If F' has negative polarity in F then $F[F']$ is satisfiable if and only if $F[P] \wedge (F' \rightarrow P)$ is satisfiable.

Hint: You can prove by simultaneous structural induction that for every valuation \mathcal{A} the following hold (assuming that $0 \leq 0, 0 \leq 1, 1 \leq 1$):

- If F' has positive polarity in F and $\mathcal{A}(P) \leq \mathcal{A}(F')$ then $\mathcal{A}(F[P]) \leq \mathcal{A}(F[F'])$.
- If F' has negative polarity in F and $\mathcal{A}(F') \leq \mathcal{A}(P)$ then $\mathcal{A}(F[P]) \leq \mathcal{A}(F[F'])$.

and use this result in order to prove (1) and (2).

Please submit your solution until Monday, November 5, 2012 at 09:00 . Joint solutions prepared by up to three persons are allowed. Please do not forget to write your name on your solution.

Submission possibilities:

- By e-mail to mbender@uni-koblenz.de with the keyword “Homework DP” in the subject.
- Put it in the box in front of Room B 222.