

Decision Procedures for Verification

Decision Procedures (2)

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Until now:

Decision Procedures

- Uninterpreted functions
congruence closure

3.3. Theory of Uninterpreted Function Symbols

Why?

- Reasoning about equalities is important in automated reasoning
- Applications to program verification
(approximation: abstract from additional properties)

Application: Compiler Validation

Example: prove equivalence of source and target program

1: y := 1	1: y := 1
2: if z = x*x*x	2: R1 := x*x
3: then y := x*x + y	3: R2 := R1*x
4: endif	4: jmpNE(z,R2,6)
	5: y := R1+1

To prove: (indexes refer to values at line numbers)

$$\begin{aligned} & y_1 \approx 1 \wedge [(z_0 \approx x_0 * x_0 * x_0 \wedge y_3 \approx x_0 * x_0 + y_1) \vee (z_0 \not\approx x_0 * x_0 * x_0 \wedge y_3 \approx y_1)] \wedge \\ & y'_1 \approx 1 \wedge R1_2 \approx x'_0 * x'_0 \wedge R2_3 \approx R1_2 * x'_0 \wedge \\ & \quad \wedge [(z'_0 \approx R2_3 \wedge y'_5 \approx R1_2 + 1) \vee (z'_0 \neq R2_3 \wedge y'_5 \approx y'_1)] \wedge \\ & x_0 \approx x'_0 \wedge y_0 \approx y'_0 \wedge z_0 \approx z'_0 \implies x_0 \approx x'_0 \wedge y_3 \approx y'_5 \wedge z_0 \approx z'_0 \end{aligned}$$

Possibilities for checking it

(1) **Abstraction.**

Consider $*$ to be a “free” function symbol (forget its properties).
Test if property can be proved in this approximation. If so,
then we know that implication holds also under the normal
interpretation of $*$.

(2) **Reasoning about formulae in fragments of arithmetic.**

Uninterpreted function symbols

Let $\Sigma = (\Omega, \Pi)$ be arbitrary

Let $\mathcal{M} = \Sigma\text{-alg}$ be the class of all Σ -structures

The theory of uninterpreted function symbols is $\text{Th}(\Sigma\text{-alg})$ the family of all first-order formulae which are true in all Σ -algebras.

in general undecidable

Decidable fragment:

e.g. the class $\text{Th}_{\forall}(\Sigma\text{-alg})$ of all **universal** formulae which are true in all Σ -algebras.

Assume $\Pi = \emptyset$ (and \approx is the only predicate)

In this case we denote the theory of uninterpreted function symbols by $UIF(\Sigma)$ (or UIF when the signature is clear from the context).

This theory is sometimes called **the theory of free functions** and denoted $\text{Free}(\Sigma)$

Uninterpreted function symbols

Theorem 3.3.1

The following are equivalent:

- (1) testing validity of universal formulae w.r.t. UIF is decidable
- (2) testing validity of (universally quantified) clauses w.r.t. UIF is decidable
- (3) testing satisfiability of conjunctions of literals w.r.t. UIF is decidable

Task:

Check if $UIF \models \forall \bar{x} (s_1(\bar{x}) \approx t_1(\bar{x}) \wedge \dots \wedge s_k(\bar{x}) \approx t_k(\bar{x}) \rightarrow \bigvee_{j=1}^m s'_j(\bar{x}) \approx t'_j(\bar{x}))$

Solutions

Solution 1. The following are equivalent:

- (1) $(\bigwedge_i s_i \approx t_i) \rightarrow \bigvee_j s'_j \approx t'_j$ is valid
- (2) $Eq(\sim) \wedge Con(f) \wedge (\bigwedge_i s_i \sim t_i) \wedge (\bigwedge_j s'_j \not\sim t'_j)$ is unsatisfiable.

where $Eq(\sim) : Refl(\sim) \wedge Sim(\sim) \wedge Trans(\sim)$

$Con(f) : \forall x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n (\bigwedge x_i \sim y_i \rightarrow f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \sim f(y_1, \dots, y_n))$

Disadvantage: Resolution inferences between transitivity axioms – nontermination

Solution 2. Ackermann's reduction: Flatten the formula (replace, bottom-up, $f(c)$ with a new constant c_f) $\phi \mapsto FLAT(\phi)$

Theorem 3.3.2: The following are equivalent:

- (1) $(\bigwedge_i s_i(\bar{c}) \approx t_i(\bar{c})) \wedge \bigwedge_j s'_j(\bar{c}) \not\approx t'_j(\bar{c})$ is satisfiable
- (2) $FC \wedge FLAT[(\bigwedge_i s_i(\bar{c}) \approx t_i(\bar{c})) \wedge \bigwedge_j s'_j(\bar{c}) \not\approx t'_j(\bar{c})]$ is satisfiable

where $FC = \{c_1 \approx d_1, \dots, c_n \approx d_n \rightarrow c_f \approx d_f \mid \text{if } f(c_1, \dots, c_n) \text{ was renamed to } c_f$
 $f(d_1, \dots, d_n) \text{ was renamed to } d_f\}$

Note: The problem is **decidable** in PTIME

Problem: Handling of transitivity/congruence axiom $\mapsto O(n^3)$

Example

The following are equivalent:

- (1) $C := f(a, b) \approx a \wedge f(f(a, b), b) \not\approx a$ is satisfiable
- (2) $FC \wedge FLAT[C]$ is satisfiable, where:

$FLAT[f(a, b) \approx a \wedge f(f(a, b), b) \not\approx a]$ is computed by introducing new constants renaming terms starting with f and then replacing in C the terms with the constants:

$$\bullet \underbrace{FLAT[f(a, b) \approx a]}_{a_1} \wedge \underbrace{f(f(a, b), b) \not\approx a}_{a_1} := a_1 \approx a \wedge a_2 \not\approx a$$

$$f(a, b) = a_1$$

$$f(a_1, b) = a_2$$

$$\bullet FC := (a \approx a_1 \rightarrow a_1 \approx a_2)$$

Thus, the following are equivalent:

- (1) $C := f(a, b) \approx a \wedge f(f(a, b), b) \not\approx a$ is satisfiable
- (2) $\underbrace{(a \approx a_1 \rightarrow a_1 \approx a_2)}_{FC} \wedge \underbrace{a_1 \approx a \wedge a_2 \not\approx a}_{FLAT[C]}$ is satisfiable

Problems: Handling \approx ; Redundancy in representation

Goal: Better algorithm

Solution 3

Task:

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i.e. if $(s_1(\bar{c}) \approx t_1(\bar{c}) \wedge \dots \wedge s_k(\bar{c}) \approx t_k(\bar{c}) \wedge \bigwedge_j s'_j(\bar{c}) \not\approx t'_j(\bar{c}))$ unsatisfiable.

Solution 3

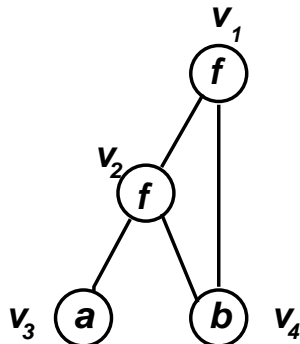
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$v_2 : f(a, b)$

$v_3 : a$

$v_4 : b$

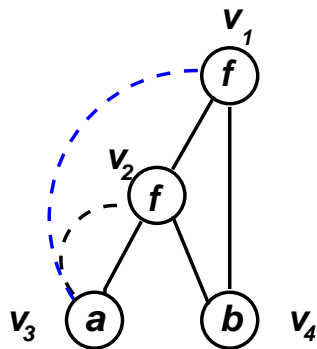
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- represent the terms occurring in the problem as DAG's
- represent premise equalities by a relation on the vertices of the DAG

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$R : \{(v_2, v_3)\}$

- compute the “congruence closure” R^c of R
- check whether $(v_1, v_3) \in R^c$

Computing the congruence closure of a DAG

Example

- **DAG structures:**

- $G = (V, E)$ directed graph

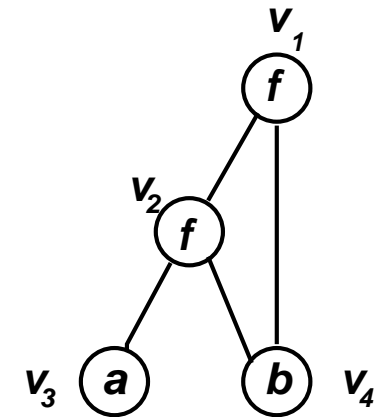
- Labelling on vertices

$\lambda(v)$: label of vertex v

$\delta(v)$: outdegree of vertex v

- Edges leaving the vertex v are ordered

($v[i]$: denotes i -th successor of v)



$$\lambda(v_1) = \lambda(v_2) = f$$

$$\lambda(v_3) = a, \lambda(v_4) = b$$

$$\delta(v_1) = \delta(v_2) = 2$$

$$\delta(v_3) = \delta(v_4) = 0$$

$$v_1[1] = v_2, v_2[2] = v_4$$

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Congruence closure of a DAG/Relation

Given: $G = (V, E)$ DAG + labelling

$$R \subseteq V \times V$$

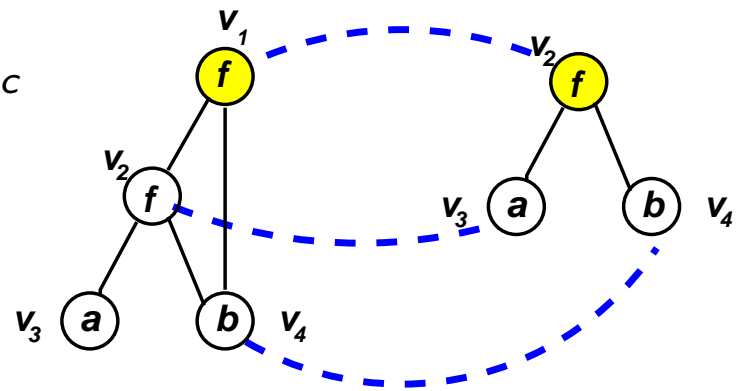
The congruence closure of R is the smallest relation R^c on V which is:

- reflexive
- symmetric
- transitive
- congruence:

If $\lambda(u) = \lambda(v)$ and $\delta(u) = \delta(v)$

and for all $1 \leq i \leq \delta(u)$: $(u[i], v[i]) \in R^c$

then $(u, v) \in R^c$.



Congruence closure of a relation

Recursive definition

$$\frac{(u, v) \in R}{(u, v) \in R^c}$$

$$\frac{}{(v, v) \in R^c} \quad \frac{(u, v) \in R^c}{(v, u) \in R^c} \quad \frac{(u, v) \in R^c \quad (v, w) \in R^c}{(u, w) \in R^c}$$

$$\frac{\lambda(u) = \lambda(v) \quad u, v \text{ have } n \text{ successors and } (u[i], v[i]) \in R^c \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n}{(u, v) \in R^c}$$

- The congruence closure of R is the smallest set closed under these rules

Congruence closure and UIF

Assume that we have an algorithm Δ for computing the congruence closure of a graph G and a set R of pairs of vertices

- Use Δ for checking whether $\bigwedge_{i=1}^n s_i \approx t_i \wedge \bigwedge_{j=1}^m s'_j \not\approx t'_j$ is satisfiable.
 - (1) Construct graph corresponding to the terms occurring in s_i, t_i, s'_j, t'_j
Let v_t be the vertex corresponding to term t
 - (2) Let $R = \{(v_{s_i}, v_{t_i}) \mid i \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}$
 - (3) Compute R^c .
 - (4) Output **“Sat”** if $(v_{s'_j}, v_{t'_j}) \notin R^c$ for all $1 \leq j \leq m$, otherwise **“Unsat”**

Theorem 3.3.3 (Correctness)

$\bigwedge_{i=1}^n s_i \approx t_i \wedge \bigwedge_{j=1}^m s'_j \not\approx t'_j$ is satisfiable iff $[v_{s'_j}]_{R^c} \neq [v_{t'_j}]_{R^c}$ for all $1 \leq j \leq m$.

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Proof (\Rightarrow)

Assume \mathcal{A} is a Σ -structure such that $\mathcal{A} \models \bigwedge_{i=1}^n s_i \approx t_i \wedge \bigwedge_{j=1}^m s'_j \not\approx t'_j$.

We can show that $[v_s]_{R^c} = [v_t]_{R^c}$ implies that $\mathcal{A} \models s = t$ (Exercise).

(We use the fact that if $[v_s]_{R^c} = [v_t]_{R^c}$ then there is a derivation for $(v_s, v_t) \in R^c$ in the calculus defined before; use induction on length of derivation to show that $\mathcal{A} \models s = t$.)

As $\mathcal{A} \models s'_j \not\approx t'_j$, it follows that $[v_{s'_j}]_{R^c} \neq [v_{t'_j}]_{R^c}$ for all $1 \leq j \leq m$.

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Proof(\Leftarrow) Assume that $[v_{s'_j}]_{R^c} \neq [v_{t'_j}]_{R^c}$ for all $1 \leq j \leq m$. We construct a structure that satisfies $\bigwedge_{i=1}^n s_i \approx t_i \wedge \bigwedge_{j=1}^m s'_j \not\approx t'_j$

- Universe is quotient of V w.r.t. R^c plus new element 0.
- c constant $\mapsto c_{\mathcal{A}} = [v_c]_{R^c}$.

$$\bullet f/n \mapsto f_{\mathcal{A}}([v_1]_{R^c}, \dots, [v_n]_{R^c}) = \begin{cases} [v_{f(t_1, \dots, t_n)}]_{R^c} & \text{if } v_{f(t_1, \dots, t_n)} \in V, \\ [v_{t_i}]_{R^c} = [v_i]_{R^c} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n & \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

well-defined because R^c is a congruence.

- It holds that $\mathcal{A} \models s'_j \not\approx t'_j$ and $\mathcal{A} \models s_i \approx t_i$

Computing the congruence closure of a DAG

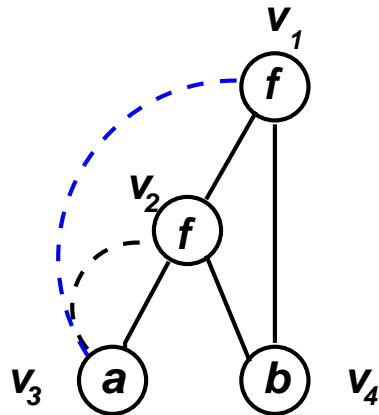
Given: $G = (V, E)$ DAG + labelling

$$R \subseteq V \times V$$

Task: Compute R^c (the congruence closure of R)

Example:

$$f(a, b) \approx a \rightarrow f(f(a, b), b) \approx a$$



$$R = \{(v_2, v_3)\}$$

Idea:

- Start with the identity relation $R^c = Id$
- Successively add new pairs of nodes to R^c ; close relation under congruence.

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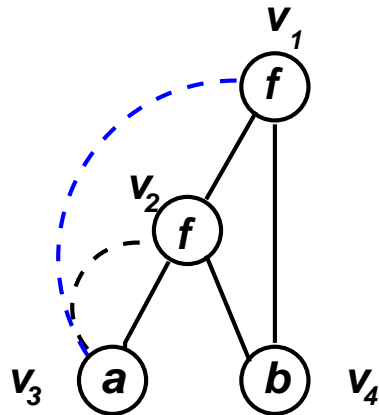
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$R \subseteq V \times V; (v, v') \in V^2$

Task: Check whether $(v, v') \in R^c$

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Task: Decide whether $(v_1, v_3) \in R^c$

Computing the congruence closure of a DAG

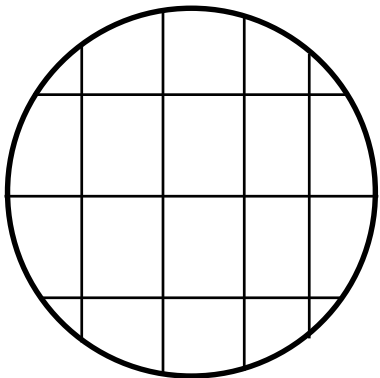
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Representation:



- Congruence relation \mapsto corresponding partition

Computing the congruence closure of a DAG

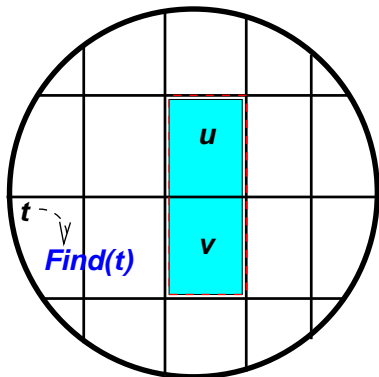
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Representation:



- Congruence relation \mapsto corresponding partition
- Use procedures which operate on the partition:

FIND(u): unique name of equivalence class of u

UNION(u, v) combines equivalence classes of u, v

finds repr. t_u, t_v of equiv.cl. of u, v ; sets FIND(u) to

Computing the congruence closure of a DAG

MERGE(u, v)

Input: $G = (V, E)$ DAG + labelling
 R relation on V closed under congruence
 $u, v \in V$
Output: the congruence closure of $R \cup \{(u, v)\}$

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if FIND(u) = FIND(v) [same canonical representative] **then** Return

if FIND(u) \neq FIND(v) **then** [merge u, v ; recursively-predecessors]

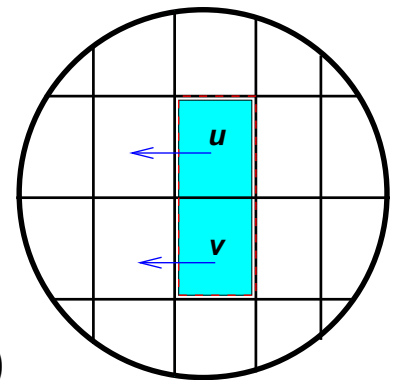
$P_u :=$ set of all predecessors of vertices w with FIND(w) = FIND(u)

$P_v :=$ set of all predecessors of vertices w with FIND(w) = FIND(v)

Call UNION(u, v) [merge congruence classes]

For all $(x, y) \in P_u \times P_v$ **do:** [merge congruent predecessors]

if FIND(x) \neq FIND(y) **and** CONGRUENT(x, y) **then** MERGE(x, y)



CONGRUENT(x, y)

if $\lambda(x) \neq \lambda(y)$ **then** Return FALSE

For $1 \leq i \leq \delta(x)$ **if** FIND($x[i]$) \neq FIND($y[i]$) **then** Return FALSE

Return TRUE.

Correctness

Proof:

(1) Returned equivalence relation is not too coarse

If x, y merged then $(x, y) \in (R \cup \{(u, v)\})^c$

(UNION only on initial pair and on congruent pairs)

(2) Returned equivalence relation is not too fine

If x, y vertices s.t. $(x, y) \in (R \cup \{(u, v)\})^c$ then they are merged by the algorithm.

Induction on length of derivation of (x, y) from $(R \cup \{(u, v)\})^c$

(1) $(x, y) \in R$ OK (they are merged)

(2) $(x, y) \notin R$. The only non-trivial case is the following:

$\lambda(x) = \lambda(y)$, x, y have n successors x_i, y_i where

$(x_i, y_i) \in (R \cup \{(u, v)\})^c$ for all $1 \leq i \leq b$.

Induction hypothesis: (x_i, y_i) are merged at some point

(become equal during some call of UNION(a, b), made in some MERGE(a, b))

Successor of x equivalent to a (or b) before this call of UNION; same for y .

\Rightarrow MERGE must merge x and y

Computing the Congruence Closure

Let $G = (V, E)$ graph and $R \subseteq V \times V$

$CC(G, R)$ computes the R^c :

(1) $R_0 := \emptyset; i := 1$

(2) while R contains "fresh" elements do:

 pick "fresh" element $(u, v) \in R$

$R_i := \text{MERGE}(u, v)$ for G and $R_{i-1}; i := i + 1.$

Complexity: $O(n^2)$

Downey-Sethi-Tarjan congruence closure algorithm:

 more sophisticated version of **MERGE** (complexity $O(n \cdot \log n)$)

Reference: G. Nelson and D.C. Oppen. Fast decision procedures based on congruence closure. Journal of the ACM, 27(2):356-364, 1980.

Decision procedure for the QF theory of equality

Signature: Σ (function symbols)

Problem: Test satisfiability of the formula

$$F = s_1 \approx t_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge s_n \approx t_n \quad \wedge \quad s'_1 \not\approx t'_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge s'_m \not\approx t'_m$$

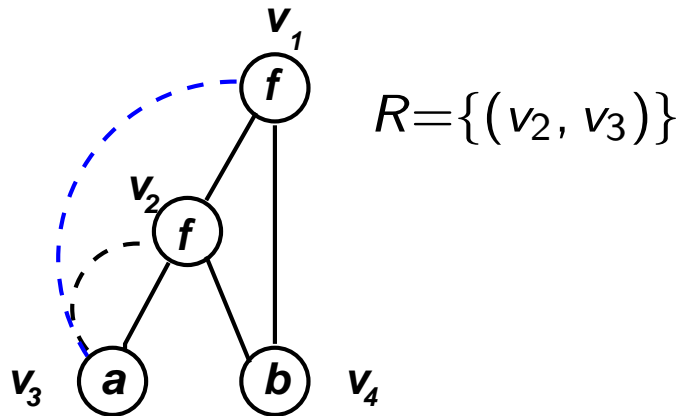
Solution: Let S_F be the set of all subterms occurring in F

1. Construct the DAG for S_F ; $R_0 = Id$
2. [Build R_n the congruence closure of $\{(v(s_1), v(t_1)), \dots, (v(s_n), v(t_n))\}$]
For $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ do $R_i := \text{MERGE}(v_{s_i}, v_{t_i})$ w.r.t. R_{i-1}
3. If $\text{FIND}(v_{s'_j}) = \text{FIND}(v_{t'_j})$ for some $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ then return **unsatisfiable**
4. else [if $\text{FIND}(v_{s'_j}) \neq \text{FIND}(v_{t'_j})$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$] then return **satisfiable**

Example

$f(a, b) \approx a \rightarrow f(f(a, b), b) \approx a$

Test: unsatisfiability of
 $f(a, b) \approx a \wedge f(f(a, b), b) \not\approx a$



Task:

- Compute R^c
- Decide whether $(v_1, v_3) \in R^c$

Solution:

1. Construct DAG in the figure; $R_0 = Id$.
2. Compute $R_1 := \text{MERGE}((v_2, v_3))$

[Test representatives]

$\text{FIND}(v_2) = v_2 \neq v_3 = \text{FIND}(v_3)$

$P_{v_2} := \{v_1\}; P_{v_3} := \{v_2\}$

[Merge congruence classes]

$\text{UNION}(v_2, v_3)$: sets $\text{FIND}(v_2)$ to v_3 .

[Compute and recursively merge predecessors]

Test: $\text{FIND}(v_1) = v_1 \neq v_3 = \text{FIND}(v_2)$

$\text{CONGR}(v_1, v_2)$

$\text{MERGE}(v_1, v_2)$: (different representatives)

calls $\text{UNION}(v_1, v_2)$ which

sets $\text{FIND}(v_1)$ to v_3 .

3. Test whether $\text{FIND}(v_1) = \text{FIND}(v_3)$. Yes.

Return **unsatisfiable**.