15-414 HW 4

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Assignment 4

1 Two Watched Literals

Consider the clauses

$$\omega_1 = \boxed{x_1} \vee \boxed{x_3} \vee x_4 \qquad \qquad \omega_3 = \boxed{\neg x_1} \vee \boxed{x_2} \vee x_3$$

$$\omega_2 = x_1 \vee \boxed{\neg x_2} \vee \boxed{x_3} \qquad \qquad \omega_4 = \boxed{x_1} \vee \boxed{\neg x_2} \vee x_4$$

where the boxes indicated the watched literals.

- (a) Suppose that first x_1 assigned true. Which literals are watched in each clause after BCP completes? Which clauses are ignored after BCP completes? Are any clauses conflicted?
- (b) Now suppose that after first assigning x_1 true, x_2 is also assigned true. Which literals are watched in each clause after BCP completes? Which clauses are ignored after BCP completes? Are any clauses conflicted?

2 VSIDS

Given the clause set

$$\omega_1 = x_1 \lor x_3 \lor x_4 \qquad \qquad \omega_3 = \neg x_1 \lor x_2 \lor x_3$$

$$\omega_2 = x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor x_3 \qquad \qquad \omega_4 = x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor x_4$$

- (a) What is the VSIDS score of each variable.
- (b) Suppose that the clauses $\omega_5 = x_2 \vee x_4$ and $\omega_6 = x_3 \vee x_4$ are added. What is the new VSIDS score of each variable?
- (c) Suppose that before ω_5 and ω_6 are added, the old scores are first divided by two (and rounded down to a integer), and then ω_5 and ω_6 are added. What is the new VSIDS score of each variable?

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3 The DIMACS Format

Most fast SAT solvers require the input formula in CNF. The input CNF formula is specified in the DIMACS format. Consider the following file sample.cnf in DIMACS format.

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p cnf 4 5
1 0
2 -3 0
-4 -1 0
-1 -2 3 4 0
-2 4 0
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The first line (p cnf x y) says that the input is a CNF formula containing x variables and y clauses. Our example has 4 variables (1, 2, 3, 4) and five clauses. The negation of a variable is denoted by putting a minus sign in front of the variable number. Each clause is described in a line terminated by a zero. Note that 0 cannot be used as a variable number. So sample.cnf denotes the following CNF formula: $1 \wedge (2 \vee \neg 3) \wedge (\neg 4 \vee \neg 1) \wedge (\neg 1 \vee \neg 2 \vee 3 \vee 4) \wedge (\neg 2 \vee 4)$.

Express the clause set $\{\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \omega_4, \omega_5, \omega_6\}$ in the DIMACS format where these clauses are defined in Problem 2. Use the variable name i in the DIMACS format for the variable named x_i in the the above clauses. (For example, use 4 for x_4 .)

4 Using a SAT solver

Some publicly available fast SAT solvers are MiniSat, zChaff, siege. For this assignment we will use the MiniSat SAT solver which was the fastest SAT solver in the SAT-competitions of 2005 and 2006. You can run MiniSat SAT solver simply by the following command:

/afs/andrew.cmu.edu/usr24/mtschant/15414-f07/MiniSat_v1.14_linux sample.cnf sample.result

from you Andrew linux account (unix.andrew.cmu.edu). The file sample.cnf is a description of a CNF formula in DIMACS format. MiniSat reports whether the given formula is (un)satisfiable in the file sample.result. If the formula is satisfiable, then a satisfying assignment is also written to sample.result.

Run MiniSat on the DIMACS file you made from Problem 3. What is output is stored in results file?