

Theorem Proving - Resolution

Boolean CSP in CNF: Conjunction of clauses

Clause: Disjunction of Literals

Literal: Positive or negative atomic proposition

High-Level Implementation in CHR

Syntax: Clause as *ordered* list of signed variables

For example, $\neg x \vee y \vee z$ as `cl([-x,+y,+z])`.

Resolution with Factoring

`empty_clause @ cl([]) <=> false.`

`tautology @ cl(L) <=> in(+X,L),in(-X,L) | true.`

`cl(L1),cl(L2) ==> del(+X,L1,L3),del(-X,L2,L4) |
merge(L3,L4,L),
cl(L).`

Auxiliary predicates:

`in(A,L)`: Element `A` occurs in list `L`.

`del(A,L1,L2)`: List `L1` without element `A` is `L2`.

`merge(L1,L2,L)`: Ordered merge of `L1` and `L2` is `L3`.

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Subsumption

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$$cl(L1), cl(L2) \iff sublist(L1, L2) \mid cl(L1).$$

From (Subsumption) and (Resolution)

$$cl(L1), cl(L2) \implies del(+X, L1, L3), del(-X, L2, L4) \mid \\ merge(L3, L4, L), \\ cl(L).$$

derive Parental Subsumption

$$cl(L1), cl(L2) \iff del(A, L1, L3), del(B, L2, L4), \\ compl(A, B), sublist(L3, L4) \mid \\ cl(L1), cl(L4).$$

Auxiliary predicates:

sublist(L1, L2): All elements of L1 occur in L2.

compl(A, B): Literal A is the logical complement of B.

Unit Resolution

Davis-Putnam Procedure

From (Subsumption)

$$cl(L1), cl(L2) \Leftrightarrow sublist(L1, L2) \mid cl(L1).$$

Unit Subsumption

$$cl([A]), cl(L) \Leftrightarrow in(A, L) \mid cl([A]).$$

From (Parental Subsumption)

$$cl(L1), cl(L2) \Leftrightarrow del(A, L1, L3), del(B, L2, L4), \\ compl(A, B), sublist(L3, L4) \mid \\ cl(L1), cl(L4).$$

Unit Propagation

$$cl([A]), cl(L) \Leftrightarrow compl(A, B), del(B, L, L1) \mid \\ cl([A]), cl(L1).$$

Incomplete without search

Ordered Resolution

(Resolution)

$$\text{cl}(L1), \text{cl}(L2) \implies \text{del}(+X, L1, L3), \text{del}(-X, L2, L4) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L3, L4, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$

Ordered Resolution I

$$\text{cl}([A \mid L1]), \text{cl}(L2) \implies \text{compl}(A, B), \text{del}(B, L2, L3) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L1, L3, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$

Ordered Resolution II

$$\text{cl}([A \mid L1]), \text{cl}([B \mid L2]) \implies \text{compl}(A, B) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L1, L2, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$

Still satisfaction complete

Clause Length Filtering

(Resolution)

$$\text{cl}(L1), \text{cl}(L2) \implies \text{del}(+X, L1, L3), \text{del}(-X, L2, L4) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L3, L4, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$

Filtered Resolution

$$\text{cl}(L1), \text{cl}(L2) \implies \text{maxlen}(L1, n1), \text{maxlen}(L2, n2), \\ \text{compl}(A, B), \\ \text{del}(A, L1, L3), \text{del}(B, L2, L4) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L3, L4, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$

$n1 = 1, n2 = \infty$	Unit propagation
$n1 = 1, n2 = 1$	Contradiction
$n1 = 2, n2 = 2$	Binary Resolution
$n1 = 2, n2 = 3$	Ternary Resolution

Incomplete without search

Search in CHR^V

Retain completeness for restricted resolution by
Search = Enumeration = Labeling =
Branching = Case Analysis = Choices

Variables

$$\text{enum}([X|L]) \iff (\text{cl}([+X]) ; \text{cl}([-X])), \\ \text{enum}(L).$$

Clauses I

$$\text{label}, \text{cl}(L) \iff \text{in}(A,L), \text{cl}([A]), \text{label}.$$

Clauses II

$$\text{split}, \text{cl}(L) \iff \text{split}(L,L1,L2), \\ (\text{cl}(L1) ; \text{cl}(L2)), \\ \text{split}.$$

The semicolon (;) denotes disjunction implemented by search.

Constraint Inference

Derive equality and partial order constraints.

Equivalence

$$c1([+X, -Y]), c1([-X, +Y]) \Leftrightarrow X = Y.$$

Replace all X by Y .

Implication

$$c1([+X, -Y]) \Rightarrow X \geq Y.$$

Helps finding equivalences.

Exclusive Or

$$c1([+X, +Y]), c1([-X, -Y]) \Leftrightarrow X \neq Y.$$

Replace all X by $-Y$.

Projection by Variable Elimination

(Resolution)

$$\text{cl}(L1), \text{cl}(L2) \implies \text{del}(+X, L1, L3), \text{del}(-X, L2, L4) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L3, L4, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$

Variable Elimination

$$\text{eliminate}(X), \\ \text{cl}(L1), \text{cl}(L2) \implies \text{del}(+X, L1, L3), \text{del}(-X, L2, L4) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L3, L4, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$
$$\text{eliminate}(X), \\ \text{cl}(L) \iff (\text{in}(+X, L); \text{in}(-X, L)) \mid \text{true}.$$
$$\text{eliminate}(X) \iff \text{true}.$$

Projection by Variable Elimination

Example

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?- cl([-x,+y]), cl([-x,+z]), cl([+x,-y,-z]),  
   eliminate(y).
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cl([-x,+z])
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?- cl([-x,+y]), cl([-x,+z]), cl([+x,-y,-z]),  
   eliminate(z).
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cl([-x,+y])
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?- cl([-x,+y]), cl([-x,+z]), cl([+x,-y,-z]),  
   eliminate(x), eliminate(y).
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true
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?- cl([-x,+y]), cl([+x]), cl([-y]),  
   eliminate(x), eliminate(y).
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false
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Full First Order Resolution

(Resolution)

$$\text{cl}(L1), \text{cl}(L2) \implies \text{del}(+X, L1, L3), \text{del}(-X, L2, L4) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L3, L4, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$

First Order Resolution

$$\text{cl}(C1), \text{cl}(C2) \implies \text{copy}(C1, L1), \text{copy}(C2, L2), \\ \text{del}(A, L1, L3), \text{del}(B, L2, L4), \\ \text{compl}(A, B), \text{unify}(A, B) \mid \\ \text{merge}(L3, L4, L), \\ \text{cl}(L).$$