



Tailoring Hypergraph Partitioning for Efficient d-DNNF Compilation

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Knowledge Compilation

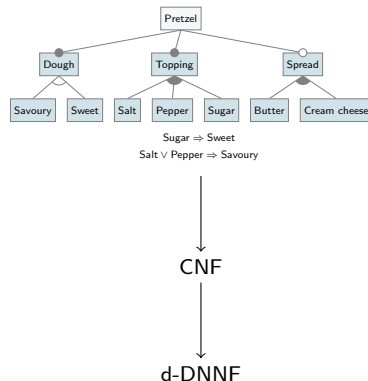
Feature Model Analysis

Expensive queries:

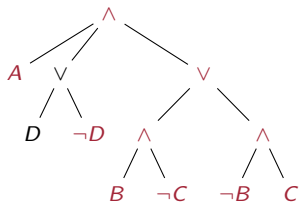
- Counting
- SAT
- Sampling
- Queries with assumptions
- ...

Knowledge Compilation

Transforming feature models into a format suitable for multiple (faster) analyses.



d-DNNF



d-DNNF

- **N**egation **n**ormal **f**orm: Negation only in literals
- **D**ecomposable $\wedge$: Subtrees do not share variables
- **D**eterministic $\vee$: Subtrees are logically contradictory

Benefit

Analyses like SAT and counting in linear time.

d-DNNF Compilation

d4 d-DNNF Compiler

CNF $\rightarrow$ d-DNNF by using exhaustive DPLL

Variable Decision

The branching variable has an impact on the overall runtime.

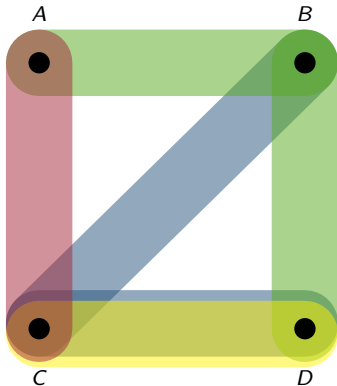
input : CNF formula F

output: d-DNNF of F

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3 if  $F = \emptyset$  then return  $\text{andNode}(S, \top)$ ;  
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6 for  $C \in \text{components}$  do  
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9    $\text{add}(\text{sub}, \text{node})$ ;  
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Hypergraphs

$$(B \vee C \vee D) \wedge (A \vee B \vee D) \wedge (A \vee C) \wedge (C \vee D)$$



Hypergraph

Generalization of graphs: nets (edges) contain many vertices.

$$H = (V, N)$$

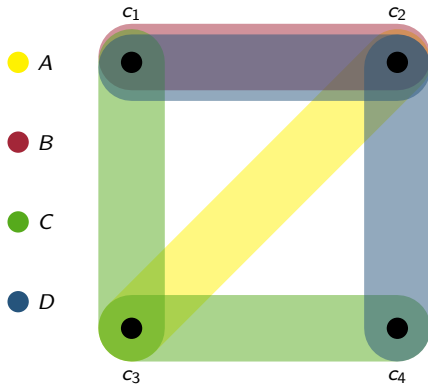
CNF Representation

Variables $\rightarrow$ Vertices

Clauses $\rightarrow$ Nets

Dual Hypergraphs

$$(B \vee C \vee D) \wedge (A \vee B \vee D) \wedge (A \vee C) \wedge (C \vee D)$$



Dual Hypergraph

Vertices and nets switch roles.

$$H = (V, N)$$

$$H^* = (N, V)$$

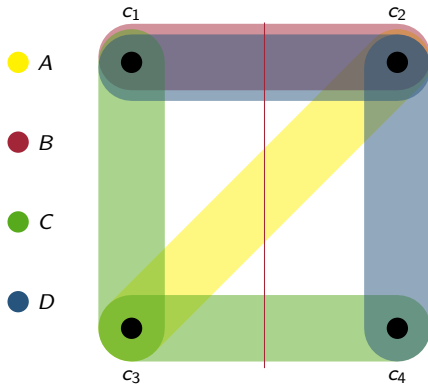
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Hypergraph Partitioning

$$(B \vee C \vee D) \wedge (A \vee B \vee D) \wedge (A \vee C) \wedge (C \vee D)$$



Partitioning

Division of the hypergraph into k blocks while optimizing a given metric.

Cutset

Nets containing vertices in multiple blocks.

Result

Cutset $\rightarrow$ Variables (to be decided)

Blocks $\rightarrow$ Clauses (components)

d-DNNF Compilation

Variable decision

Cutset assignment $\rightarrow$ disconnected components

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Research Questions

Existing partitioners

Performance for d-DNNF compilation?

CNF and hypergraph metrics

Correlation CNF/hypergraph metrics → difficulty of resulting formulas?

New partitioner

Specifically for DPLL style algorithms

Dataset

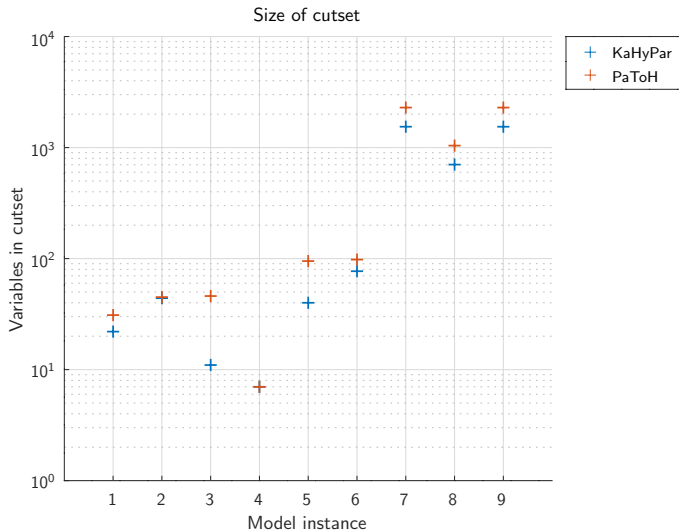
Source

- Feature Model Benchmark
- Industry models

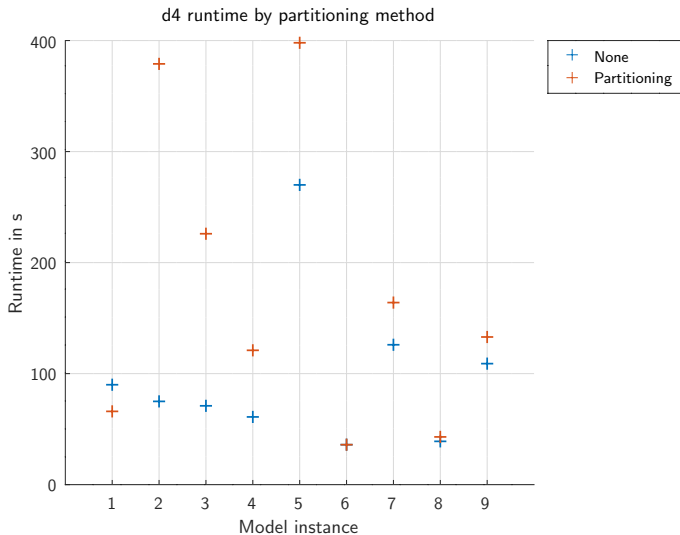
Filter

Solvable by d4 in 10s...2h

Cut Size



Performance



Improvements

Current state

Unweighted partitioning

CNF $\rightarrow$ unweighted hypergraph $\rightarrow$ partition

Fixed block size

Input CNF $\rightarrow$ 2 blocks

Possible improvements

Weighted partitioning

Net weights based on heuristics, e.g. $DLCS(v)$ = occurrences of variable v in CNF

Community detection

Community detection algorithm $\rightarrow$ dynamic block size

Improvements

Current state

Static partitioning

Decomposition tree precalculated before DPLL

Cut based partitioning

Partitioners optimize cut size/weight

Possible improvements

Dynamic partitioning

New hypergraph for each sub-problem

Feature model based partitioning

Feature model subtrees → blocks based on cross-tree constraints

Weighted Partitioning

MAXO (DLCS)

$MAXO(V)$ = occurrences of V

MOMS

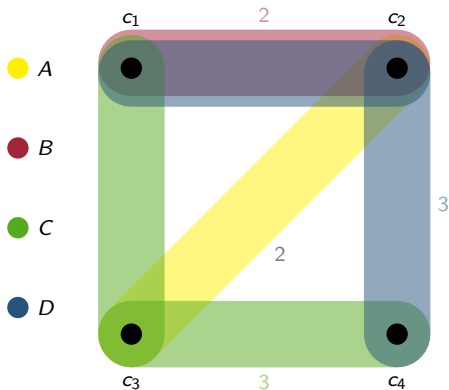
$MOMS(V)$ = occurrences of V in minimal clauses

MAMS

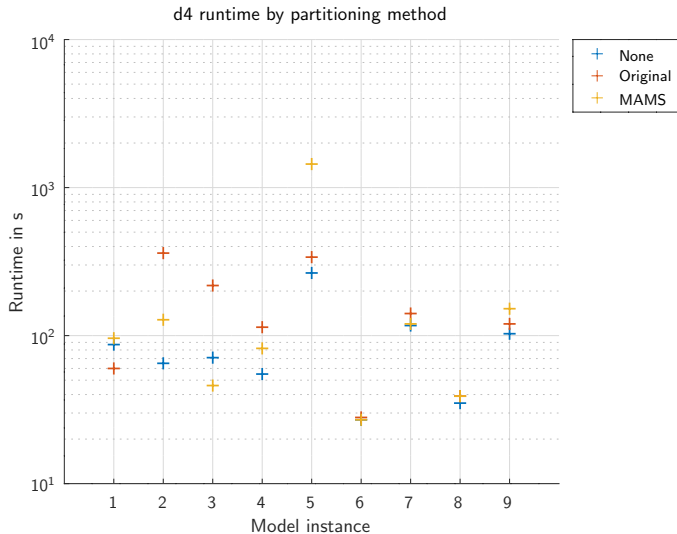
$MAMS(V) = MAXO(V) + MOMS(V)$

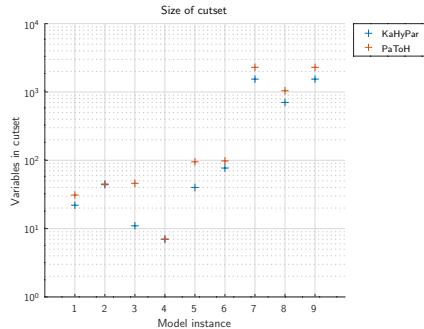
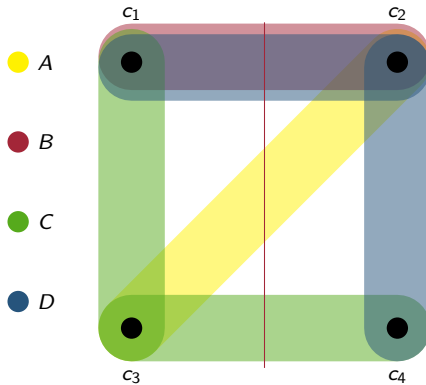
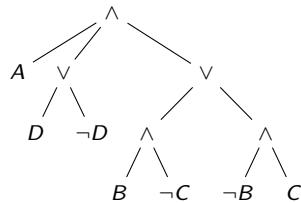
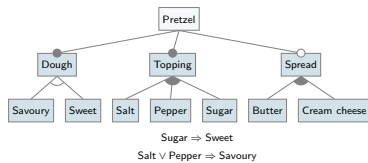
MAXO

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Weighted Partitioning





Tools

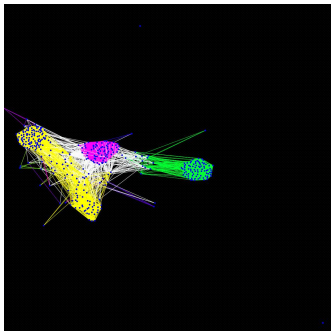
ddnnife d-DNNF reasoner

`github.com/SoftVarE-Group/d-dnnf-reasoner`

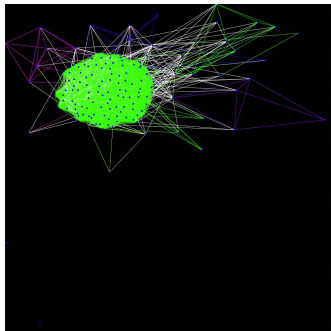
d4 Compiler

`github.com/SoftVarE-Group/d4v2`

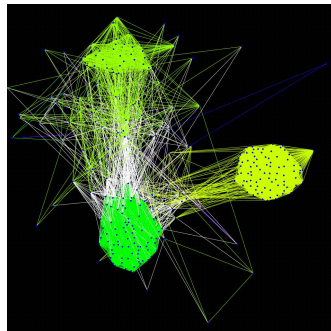
Community detection



Original CNF



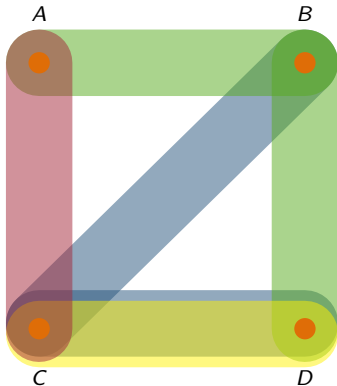
Block 1



Block 2

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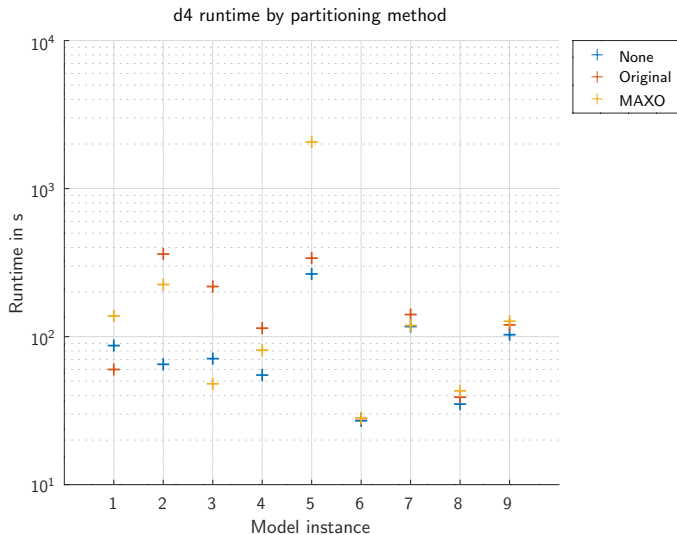


Pin

Connection between net and vertex.

$$P = (n, v)$$

Community detection



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