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Lecture 12: Encoding into reasoning problems

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Z3 solver



Solver basic interface

- ► Input : formula
- Output: sat/unsat

If satisfiable, we may ask for a satisfying assignment.

Exercise 12.1 What can we ask from a solver in case of unsatisfiability?



Z3: SMT solver

- ► Written in C++
- ▶ Provides API in C++ and Python
- We will initially use python interface for quick ramp up
- ► Later classes we will switch to C++ interface



Installing Z3 (Ubuntu-18.04)

\$sudo apt-get install z3 python3-z3

Not tested on 20.04

Commentary: You may also try \$pip3 install python3-z3

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Locally Installing a version of Z3 (Linux)

Let us install z3-4.7.1. You may choose another version.

Download

https://github.com/Z3Prover/z3/releases/download/z3-4.7.1/z3-4.7.1-x64-ubuntu-16.04.zip

Unzip the file in some folder. Say

/path/z3-4.7.1-x64-ubuntu-16.04/

Update the following environment variables

\$export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=\$LD_LIBRARY_PATH:/path/z3-4.7.1-x64-ubuntu-16.04/bin \$export PYTHONPATH=\$PYTHONPATH:/path/z3-4.7.1-x64-ubuntu-16.04/bin/python

After the setup the following call should throw no error

python3 / path/z3-4.7.1-x64-ubuntu-16.04 / bin/python/example.py



Using solver



```
Steps of using Z3 via python interface
 from z3 import *  # load z3 library
 p1 = Bool("p1")
                           # declare a Boolean variable
 p2 = Bool("p2")
 phi = Or(p1, p2)
                           # construct the formula
 print(phi)
                            # printing the formula
 s = Solver()
                           # allocate solver
 s.add( phi )
                           # add formula to the solver
 r = s.check()
                           # check satisfiability
 if r == sat:
      print("sat")
 else:
      print("unsat")  # save the script test.py
                            # run \$python3 test.py
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Get a model

```
r = s.check()
if r == sat:
    m = s.model()  # read model
    print(m)  # print model
else:
    print("unsat")
```

```
Exercise 12.2
What happens if we run m = s.model() in the unsat case?
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Solve and print model

```
from z3 import *
```

```
# packaging solving and model printing
def solve( phi ):
  s = Solver()
  s.add( phi )
  r = s.check()
  if r == sat:
      m = s.model()
      print(m)
  else:
      print("unsat")
```

we will use this function in later slides



There is a distinction between the Python variable name and the propositional variable it holds.

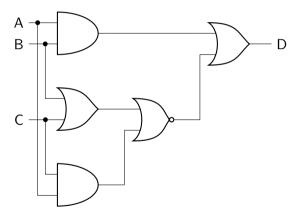
from z3 import * # load z3 library
x = Bool("y") # creates Propositional variable y
z = x # python pointer z also holds variable y



Exercise: encoding Boolean circuit

Exercise 12.3

Using Z3, find the input values of A, B, and C such that output D is 1.



We know you can do it! Please do not shout the answer. Please make computer find it.

Solver engineering



Design of solvers: context vs. solver

Any complex software usually has a context object.

The context consists of a formula store containing the constructed formulas.

Z3 Python interface instantiates a default context. Therefore, we do not see it explicitly.

A Solver is a solving instance. There can be multiple solvers in a context.

The Solver solves only the added formula.



Formula handling

```
a = Bool('a')
b = Bool('b')
ab = And(a, b)
```

```
# accessing sub-formulas
print(ab.arg(0))
print(ab.arg(1))
```

```
# accessing the symbol at the head
ab_decl = ab.decl()
name = ab_decl.name()
if name == "and":
    print("Found an And")
```



Problems



Exercise : Python programming

Exercise 12.4

Write a Python program that generates a random graph in a file edges.txt for n nodes and medges, which are given as command line options.

Please store edges in edges.txt as the following sequence of tuples

10,12

30,50

. . . .

Exercise 12.5

Write a program that reads a directed graph from edges.txt and finds the number of strongly connected components in the graph

Exercise 12.6

Write a program that reads a directed graph from edges.txt and finds the cliques of size k. which is given as a command line option. CS228 Logic for Computer Science 2022 IITB. India $\Theta(\mathbf{i} \otimes \mathbf{0})$

Proving theorems

Exercise 12.7

Prove/disprove the following theorems using a solver

- Sky is blue. Space is black. Therefore sky and space are blue or black.
- Hammer and chainsaw are professional tools. Professional tools and vehicles are rugged. Therefore, hammers are rugged.



Write a function: find positive variables

Exercise 12.8

Find the set of Boolean variables that occur only positively in a propositional logic formula.

An occurrence of a variable is positive if there are even number of negations from the occurrence to the root of the formula.

Examples:

Only q occurs positively in $p \land \neg(\neg q \land p)$.

p occurs positively in $\neg \neg p$.

p does not occur positively in $\neg p$.

p and q occur positively in $(p \lor \neg r) \land (r \lor q)$.

End of Lecture 12

