

Effectively Propositional Interpolants

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Effectively Propositional Logic (EPR)

$$\exists x_1 \dots x_n \forall y_1 \dots y_m \varphi$$

Quantifier-free
No function symbols

- Decidable satisfiability
- Expressive; can encode linked lists

Interpolants

Given A and B such that

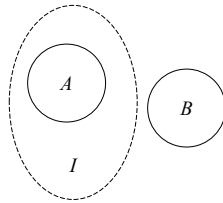
$A \wedge B$ is unsatisfiable

Find I such that

$A \rightarrow I$ is valid

$I \wedge B$ is unsatisfiable

I is in shared vocabulary (A, B)



Restricted Logics for Invariants

$I(\vec{x}) \wedge T(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \rightarrow I(\vec{x}')$
is valid, or

$I(\vec{x}) \wedge T(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \wedge \neg I(\vec{x}')$
is unsat

- \exists -logic: $\exists^* \varphi$
- \forall -logic: $\forall^* \varphi$
- AF-logic: boolean combinations of \exists -logic and \forall -logic formulae

$\exists^* \forall^* \varphi$ decidable, but
 $\forall^* \exists^* \varphi$ undecidable

Models and Diagrams

$$\varphi = \exists a \forall b. p(a, b)$$

Model $m \models \varphi$

Diagram

$$diag(m) = \exists c_1, c_2. c_1 \neq c_2$$

$$\wedge p(c_1, c_1) \wedge \neg p(c_2, c_2)$$

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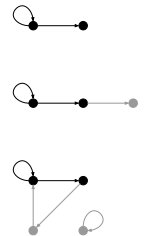


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UITP: for \exists -logic $diag(m_1)$ $diag(m_2)$

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I ← False
while A ∧ ¬I is sat
  m ⊨ A ∧ ¬I
  if diag(m) ∧ B is sat
    return none
  I ← I ∨ diag(m)
return I

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$diag(m_1)$ $diag(m_2)$

A B

$diag(m_1)$

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UITP: for \exists -logic

$$I = \bigvee_m diag(m)$$

No \exists -logic interpolant

A B

$diag(m)$ B

A B

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UITP Soundness

- Returning I : interpolant by construction
- Returning *none* is sound:
 $diag(m)$ is the strongest \exists -logic formula m models

A $diag(m)$ B

$\exists^* \psi$

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UITP Termination (and Completeness)

EPR small model property:
All EPR A have a bound k such that
 $m \models A \rightarrow \exists m'. m' \models A \wedge m' \subseteq m \wedge |m'| \leq k$

So $m \models diag(m')$

$$A \rightarrow \bigvee_{m \models A: |m| \leq k} diag(m)$$

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UITP: for \forall -logic

Suppose I is a \forall -logic interpolant for (A, B) :
 $A \wedge \neg I$ unsat, $I \wedge B$ unsat

Then $\neg I$ is a \exists -logic interpolant for (B, A) :
 $B \wedge \neg I$ unsat, $\neg I \wedge A$ unsat

$$I = \forall^* \varphi \quad \neg I = \exists^* \neg \varphi$$

A B

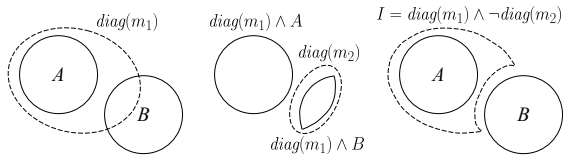
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BITP: for AF-logic

UITP(A, B): $I \leftarrow False$ while $A \wedge \neg I$ is sat $m \models A \wedge \neg I$ if $diag(m) \wedge B$ is sat return <i>none</i> $I \leftarrow I \vee diag(m)$ return I	BITP(A, B): $I \leftarrow False$ while $A \wedge \neg I$ is sat $m \models A \wedge \neg I, d \leftarrow diag(m)$ if $d \wedge B$ is sat $d \leftarrow d \wedge \neg BITP(B \wedge d, A \wedge d)$ $I \leftarrow I \vee d$ return I
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BITP: for AF-logic

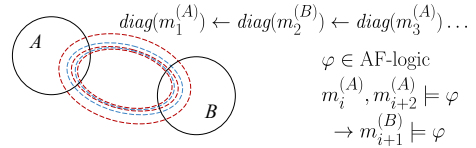


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BITP Soundness and Relative Completeness

Soundness: returned I is interpolant by construction

Rel. Compl.: Existence of AF-logic interpolant \rightarrow termination



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Experiments

Implemented simple interpolation-based verifier, ITPV

Compared ITPV to PDR_{\downarrow} on 18 benchmarks

Average time: PDR_{\downarrow} 3.9s, ITPV 8.9s

ITPV succeeded on benchmarks modified to require AF-logic

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Questions?

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