

Super-resolution for MAX-SAT

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We use N to keep track of the best assignment so far. N is a complete assignment, and is assigned arbitrarily at the beginning.

1. Unit-Propagation:

$$M||F, C + k||N \Rightarrow Mk||F, C + k||N$$

if $C + k$ is a super-resolvent, and
 $M \vdash \neg C$, and
 k is undefined in M .

or if $C + k$ is not a super-resolvent, and
 $M \vdash \neg C$, and
 k is undefined in M , and
 $unsat(M\neg k; F, C + k) \geq unsat(N; F, C + k)$.

2. Semi-Super-resolution:

$$I||F||N \Rightarrow I||F, (\text{the disjunction of the negated decision literals in } I)||N$$

if $R = \text{Contradiction}(I, F) \neq \emptyset$, and
 $unsat(IR; F) \geq unsat(N; F)$.

Informal: Intuitively, since R is driven by I through unit-propagation, thus, the fact that " $unsat(IR; F) \geq unsat(N; F)$ " implies that we have made a mistake by setting the partial interpretation to I , which is the reason why we add the negated decision literals in I to F so that we won't make the same mistake again.

$\text{Contradiction}(I, F)$: there has been a sequence of transitions from the state $I||F||N$ by Unit-Propagation to a state $IR||F||N$ at this point where some clause(s) is unsatisfied by (IR) . Contradiction returns R if there is a contradiction and \emptyset otherwise.

3. Decide:

$$M||F||N \Rightarrow Mk^*||F||N$$

if k is undefined in M , and
 k and $\neg k$ occur in some clause(s) of F .

4. Finale:

$$M||F||N \Rightarrow M||F||N$$

if $unsat(M; F) = unsat(N; F)$, and
 M is complete, and
 M contains no decision literals.

5. Restart:

$$M||F||N \Rightarrow \emptyset||F||N$$

6. Update:

$$M||F||N \Rightarrow M||F||M$$

if M is complete, and
 $unsat(M; F) < unsat(N; F)$.
Check whether $unsat(M; F) = 0$, if so, we terminate.

7. Subsumption:

$$M||F, SR_1, SR_2||N \Rightarrow M||F, SR_2||N$$

if SR_1 and SR_2 are super-resolvents, and
 SR_2 is a subset of SR_1 .