

INCREMENTAL INPROCESSING IN SAT SOLVING



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INTRODUCTION



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- Avoid repeated work
 - Keep gathered information (e.g. scores, search state variables)
 - Keep learned clauses

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- General solution: **Incremental Inprocessing**
 - Adapt and extend inprocessing rules

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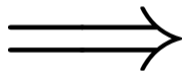
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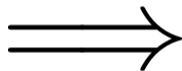
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■ Weaker than original LEARN

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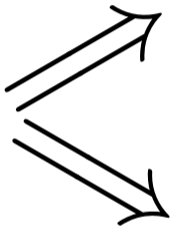
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AlgorithmRestoreAddClauses (new clauses Δ , reconstruction stack σ)

- 1 $(\omega_1 : C_1) \cdots (\omega_n : C_n) := \sigma$
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- 4 $\Delta := \Delta \cup C_i, \quad \sigma := \sigma \setminus (\omega_i : C_i)$
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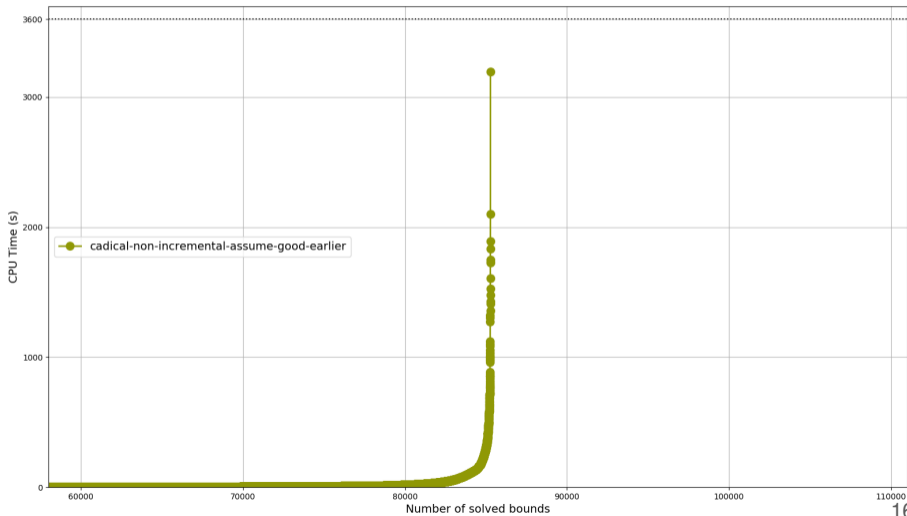
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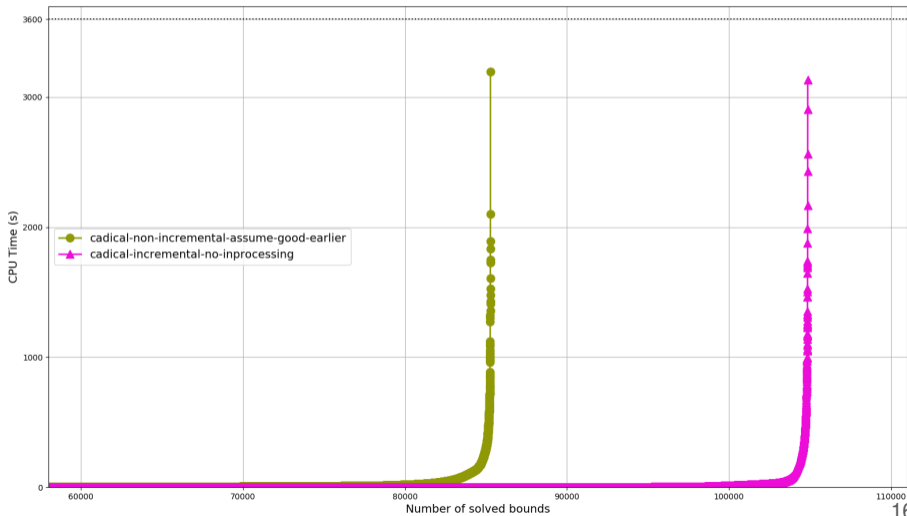
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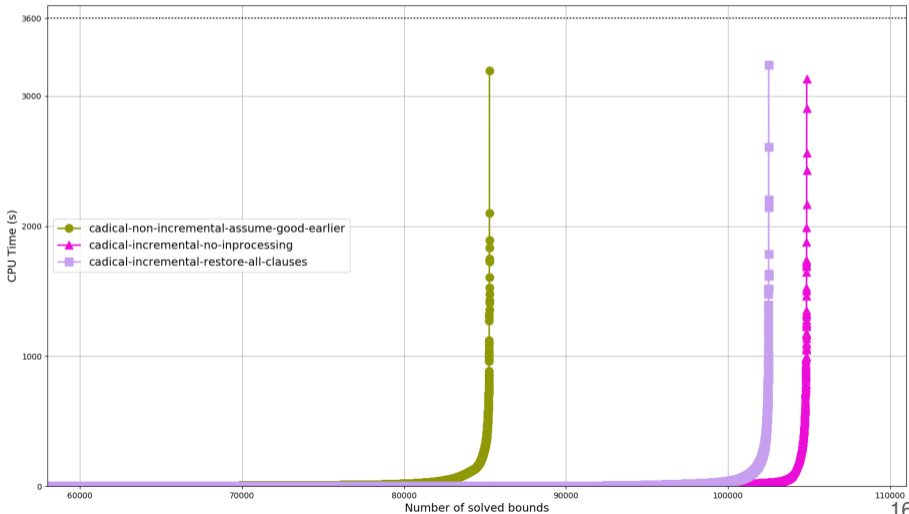
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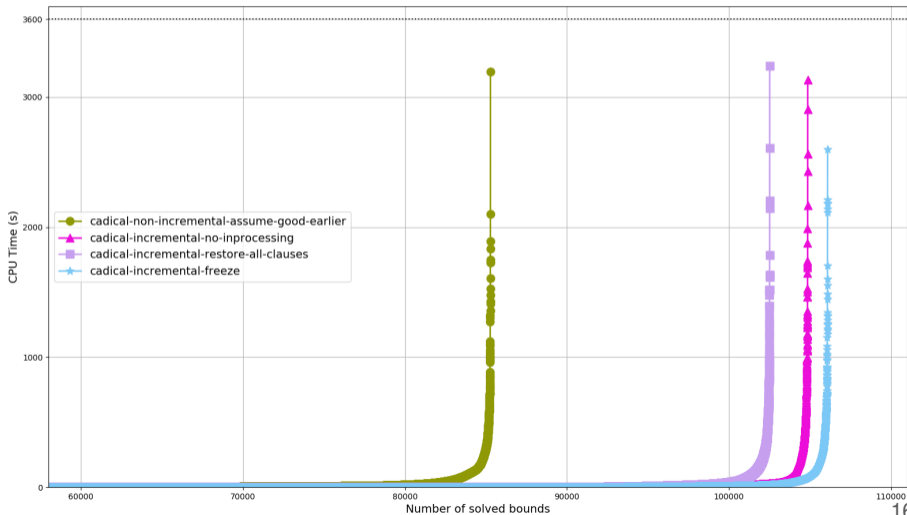
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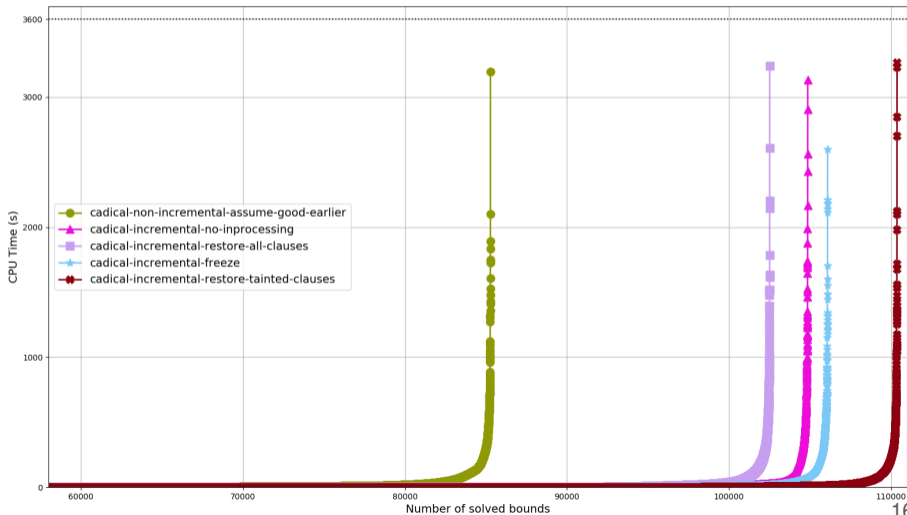
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Thank you for your attention!

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