Decision Diagrams for Linear Arithmetic

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Linear Decision Diagrams (LDDs)

... are Binary Decision Diagrams with nodes labeled by linear inequalities



Our contributions:

- implementation on top of CUDD, including
 - support for propositional operations (AND, OR, NOT, ITE)
 - support for projection (i.e., existential quantification, QELIM) of numeric variables
 dynamic variable ordering (DVO)
- benchmark and experiments

Motivation(1): Predicate + Numeric Abstractions

Predicate and Numeric Abstractions

Predicate Abstraction (PA) (e.g., SDV)

- Typical property: no lock is acquired twice
- Program verification reduced to propositional reasoning with model checker
- Works well for control-driven programs
- Works poorly for data-driven programs

Numeric Abstraction (NA) (e.g, ASTREE)

- Typical property: no arithmetic overflow
- Program verification reduced to arithmetic reasoning
- Works well for data-driven programs
- Works poorly for control-driven programs •

How to combine PA and NA to get the best of both?



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Motivation (2): Numeric Decision Diagrams



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Motivation (2): Numeric Decision Diagrams

Numeric Decision Diagrams

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Problems with NDDs are:
No reduction w.r.t. the types of constraints
All numeric operations are done path-at-a-time (i.e., exponential in the diagram!!!)

Lesson learned: need diagrams for linear arithmetic with efficient (not path-at-a-time) existential quantification

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Some Other Applications of LDDs

- Represent and manipulate Boolean formulas over linear arithmetic ...
 - to compute predicate abstraction
 - to summarize loop-free code
 - for program analysis with disjunctive abstract domain
 - to combine predicate and numeric abstractions
 - for timed automata verification

...

LDDs are NOT good for SATISFIABILITY checking
 – not a substitute for an SMT solver

Talk Outline

- The basics
 - variable ordering, reduction rules, propositional operations
- Dynamic Variable Ordering
- Quantifier Elimination
 - existential quantification of a single variable
 heuristics for quantifying multiple variables
- Implementation, Benchmarks, Results
- Conclusion and Future Work



$$\begin{array}{lll} x < 10 & \equiv & x \leq 9 \\ x + y = 10 & \equiv & x + y \leq 10 \land x + y \geq 10 \\ x + y \geq 10 & \equiv & -x - y \leq -10 \\ -x - y \leq -10 & \equiv & \neg (x + y \leq 9) \end{array}$$

LDD Node Ordering

Random:	$\{x \le 0\} \ \{x \le 10\} \ \{y \le 5\} \ \{x \le 5\} \ \{z \le 6\} \ \{y \le 3\}$
Term-sorted:	$\{x \leq 0\} \ \{x \leq 10\} \ \{x \leq 5\} \ \{y \leq 5\} \ \{y \leq 3\} \ \{z \leq 6\}$
Ordered:	$\{x \leq 0\} \ \{x \leq 5\} \ \{x \leq 10\} \ \{y \leq 3\} \ \{y \leq 5\} \ \{z \leq 6\}$
Ordered:	$\{y \leq 3\} \ \{y \leq 5\} \ \{z \leq 6\} \ \{x \leq 0\} \ \{x \leq 5\} \ \{x \leq 10\}$

Reduction: Different Children



Same as BDD

Reduction: Imply High





Propositional Operations: APPLY



Propositional Operations: APPLY



Rudell's DVO Algorithm for BDDs



*Edges to 0 and 1 are not shown

Example: Changing levels



(u, (v, f11, f10), (v, f01, f00)) is overwritten in place by (v, (u, f11, f01), (u, f10, f00)) Trivial new cofactors are reduced, i.e., when f00=f10 or f01=f11 Only the diagram rooted at *u* is changed (both the label and the children are new)

Complexity: linear in the number of nodes labeled with u in the unique table

Example: Changing levels in ROLDD



ROLDD with order: u, t<=5, t<=10 (shown as a tree)

New order: t<=5, t<=10,u Not reduced!

Cannot use BDD reordering for LDD!

Problems extending DVO to LDDs

• Broken ordering constraints

 Solution: swap adjacent terms instead of adjacent levels

- Broken Imply-high and Imply-low rules
 Solution: enforce the rules in swapInPlace
- LDDs are not canonical
 - Solution: LDDs are "canonical enough": in
 SwapInPlace the root node is never reduced



Pairwise Swaps

Two techniques for QELIM

- Black Box: use QELIM for conjunctions as a black box. Apply it to all paths of a diagram
 - linear in the number of paths == exponential in the size of the diagram!
 - many examples in the literature. (e.g., we used it in NDDs)
- White Box: Extend Fourier-Motzkin QELIM to the DAG of LDD
 - in the best case, same complexity as BDD quantification

Fourier-Motzkin QELIM

FM1(Var *y*, Conjunction φ) **let** *S* be all constraints with *y* remove *S* from φ add all pairwise resolutions of *S* to φ

$$\exists y \cdot x - y \leq 5 \land x - z \geq 8 \land y - z \leq 10$$

 $x-z \ge 8 \land x-z \le 15$

FM2(Var *y*, Formula φ) **while** exists constraint *c* with *y* in φ **do** remove *c* from φ resolve *c* with remaining constraints in φ **end while**

WB_EXISTS1: Example



WB_EXISTS1: Example (Cont)



Quantifying out multiple variables

```
1: EXISTS(LDD f, Vars V)
2: res = f;
3:
    while (V != empty)
     V' = FIND DROP_VARS (V, res);
4:
5:
    if (V' != empty)
6:
     res = DC(CONS OF(V'), res);
      V = V \setminus V':
7:
8:
     continue;
9:
      u = PICK_VAR (V, res);
10:
11:
     res = WB EXISTS1(u, res);
12:
      V = V \setminus \{u\};
13:
     end while
14:
     return res;
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EXISTS1 -- any quantification procedure that can eliminate a single variable. In our implementation, it is the optimized WB_EXISTS1 from previous slides
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DC short for DROP_CONS
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FIND_DROP_VARS(V, res) – finds all variables in V that
have trivial resolutions on
all 1-paths of res
PICK_VAR (V, res) -- picks a variable from V to be quantified
out next
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In our implementation, FIND_DROP_VARS and PICK_VAR are based on looking at the set of all constraints that are in support of res.

The Implementation



Benchmark: Image Computation

Test case: $\exists V \cdot R(V, V')$

transition relation of a loop-free program fragment

- Each test case is constructed
 - from open source software: CUDD, mplayer, bzip2,...
 - extracted using LLVM into SSA with optimizations, aggressive loop-unrolling, and inlining
 - approximated using UTVPI constraints
- Stats: 850 test cases

4KB – 700KB (in SMT-LIB format), 30 – 7,956 variables



Overall Results for QELIM

	Hard (154 cases)				Easy (696 cases)		
Alg.	Total (sec)	QE (sec)	то	МО	Total (sec)	QE (sec)	то
BB			141	0			670
WB+SVO	38,739	36,511	21	99	395	80	0
WB+DVO	10,953	3,329	9	0	784	219	0





Predicate Abstraction with LDDs

 $\exists V \cdot R(V) \land \land_i (b_i \leftrightarrow p_i(V))$



Related Work

Decision Diagrams (over linear constraints)

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Quantifier Elimination in Large Boolean Formulas

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Future Work

- Predicate Abstractions with LDDs
- An LDD-based Abstract Domain
 - first step is a disjoint-box domain for variable range analysis
 - designing a widening is the main challenge
- Public release of the library
 - send email to arie@cmu.edu for more info

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