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Module VI: Binary Decision Diagram

Lecture I: Binary Decision Diagram:
Introduction and construction
• Model checking algorithm
  – Polynomial in the size of state machine and the length of the formula
• Problem with model checking
  – State space explosion problem
Binary Decision Diagrams (BDD)

• Based on recursive Shannon expansion

\[ f = x f_x + x' f_{x'} \]

• Compact data structure for Boolean logic
  can represents sets of objects (states) encoded as Boolean functions

• Canonical representation
  reduced ordered BDDs (ROBDD) are canonical
Shannon Expansion

\[ f = x f_x + x' f_{x'} \]

\[ f = ac + bc \]

\[ f_{a'} = f(a=0) = bc \]

\[ f_a = f(a=1) = c + bc \]

\[ f = a f_a + a' f_{a'} \]

\[ = a(c+bc) + a'(bc) \]
Binary Decision Tree (BDT)

• Binary Decision Trees are trees whose non-terminal nodes are labeled with Boolean variables x, y, z, .... and whose terminal nodes are labeled with either 0 or 1.
Binary Decision Tree (BDT)

- Each non-terminal node has two edges, one dashed line and one solid line.
- Dashed line represents 0 and solid line represents 1.
Binary Decision Tree

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\[ f = ac + bc \]

Truth Table → BDT
Binary Decision Tree

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Decision tree

1 edge
0 edge
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Binary Decision Diagram

$B_0$ representing the Boolean constant $0$

$B_1$ representing the Boolean constant $1$

$B_x$ representing the Boolean variable $x$
Shannon Expansion $\rightarrow$ BDD

$f = ac + bc$

• $f_{a'} = f(a=0) = bc = g$
• $f_a = f(a=1) = c + bc = h$

$f = xf_x + x'f_{x'}$

$g = bc$

$h = c + bc$
Shannon Expansion $\rightarrow$ BDD

\[ f = ac + bc \]

- \( f_{a'} = f(a=0) = bc = g \)
- \( f_a = f(a=1) = c + bc = h \)
- \( g_{b'} = (bc)_{|b=0} = 0 \)
- \( g_b = (bc)_{|b=1} = c \)
- \( h_{b'} = (c+bc)_{|b=0} = c \)
- \( h_b = (c+bc)_{|b=1} = c \)
Binary Decision Tree and Diagram

\[ f = ac + bc \]

From Truth Table

From Shannon Expression
BDD Reduction Rules -1

Eliminate *duplicate terminals*

If a BDD contains more than one terminal 0-node, then we redirect all edges which point to such a 0-node to just one of them.

Similarly, we proceed for nodes labeled with 1.
BDD Reduction Rules -1

Eliminate *duplicate terminals*

If a BDD contains more than one terminal 0-node, then we redirect all edges which point to such a 0-node to just one of them. Similarly, we proceed for nodes labeled with 1.
BDD Reduction Rules -2

Eliminate *redundant* nodes
(with both edges pointing to same node)

\[ f = a'g(b) + ag(b) = g(b) \]
\[ (f_a + f_{a'} = 1) \]
BDD Reduction Rules - 3

Merge duplicate nodes

- Nodes must be unique

\[
f_1 = a' g(b) + a h(c) = f_2
\]

\[
f = f_1 = f_2
\]
BDD Construction

• Reduced BDD

\[ f = ac + bc \]

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Decision tree

The decision tree for \( f = ac + bc \) is shown with 1 edge and 0 edge.
BDD Reduction

\[ f = ac + bc \]

1. Merge terminal nodes
BDD Construction – cont’d

\[ f = (a+b)c \]

2. Merge duplicate nodes

3. Remove redundant nodes

Reduced BDD
BDD Construction – cont’d

BDD constructed by Shannon Expression

3. Remove redundant nodes

\[ f = (a+b)\overline{c} \]
Reduced BDDs

A BDD is said to be reduced if none of the reduction rules R1-R3 can be applied (i.e., no more reductions are possible)
BDD $B_f$ for Boolean function $f$
BDD $B_f$ for Boolean function $f$

BDD $B'_f$ for Boolean function $f'$
BDDs for \( f+g \) and \( f.g \)
Questions

1. Do we get any advantage in using BDT.
2. While constructing the BDD, is it required to start from BDT.
3. The definition of BDD does not restrict the occurrence of a variable in any number of times in a path. Show that it may lead to inconsistency with an example.
4. Is reduced BDD of any function is unique.
Shannon Expansion → BDD

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Shannon Expansion $\rightarrow$ BDD

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- $g_c = (ac)_{c=1} = a$
- $h_{c'} = (ac+c)_{c=0} = 0$
- $h_c = (ac+c)_{c=1} = 1$

BDD Diagram:

- $f = xf_x + x'f_{x'}$
- $g = ac$
- $h = ac + c$
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Lecture II: Ordered Binary Decision Diagram
Binary Decision Diagram

- Construction of BDD
- Reduced BDD
Binary Decision Diagram

• Occurrence of variables
• Ordering of variables
Binary Decision Diagram

- A Binary Decision Diagram (BDD) is a finite DAG with an unique initial node, where
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  - Each non-terminal node has exactly two edges from that node to others; one labeled 0 and one labeled 1; represent them as a dashed line and a solid line respectively
Ordering of Variables
Ordering of Variables

- Evaluation Path
- Consistent
- Inconsistent
Ordered BDDs (OBDDs)

• Let \([x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n]\) be an ordered list of variables without duplication and let \(B\) be a BDD all of whose variables occur somewhere in the list.

• We say that \(B\) has the ordering \([x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n]\) if all variable labels of \(B\) occur in that list and, for every occurrence of \(x_i\) followed by \(x_j\) along any path in \(B\), we have \(i < j\).
BDD with variable ordering $[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5]$
OBDDs

BDD with variable ordering \([x_5, x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1]\)
Reduced Ordered BDDs (ROBDDs)

Not a Ordered BDD.
Not a Reduced BDD.
Impact of the chosen variable ordering

• In general the chosen variable ordering makes a significant difference to the size of the OBDD representing a given function.
Impact of the chosen variable ordering

• Consider the Boolean function

\[- f = (x_1 + x_2).(x_3 + x_4).(x_5 + x_6)....(x_{2n-1} + x_{2n})\]
Impact of the chosen variable ordering

• Consider the Boolean function
  \[-f = (x_1 + x_2).(x_3 + x_4).(x_5 + x_6)....(x_{2n-1} + x_{2n})\]

• If we chose the variable ordering \([x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, ....]\), then we can represent this function as an OBDD with \(2n+2\) nodes.

• If we chose the variable ordering \([x_1, x_3, x_5, ...., x_{2n-1}, x_2, x_4, x_6, ..., x_{2n}]\), the resulting OBDD requires \(2^{n+1}\) nodes.
OBDDs

\[f = (x_1 + x_2)(x_3 + x_4)(x_5 + x_6)\]
OBDDs

\[ f = (x_1 + x_2).(x_3 + x_4).(x_5 + x_6) \]
Reduced ODBBs (ROBDDs)

A BDD is said to be reduced if none of the reduction rules R1-R3 can be applied (i.e., no more reductions are possible)

A OBDD is said to be reduced OBDD (ROBDD) if none of the reduction rules R1-R3 can be applied (i.e., no more reductions are possible)
Algorithm reduce

- The algorithm reduce provides the ROBDD of a given OBDD.
- If the ordering of B is \([x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_l]\), then B has at most \(l+1\) layers.
- The algorithm reduce traverses B layer by layer in a bottom-up fashion.
Algorithm reduce

• We assign an integer label $id(n)$ to each node of $B$.
• $id(n)$ equals to $id(m)$ iff, the subOBDDs with root nodes $n$ and $m$ denote the same Boolean function.
Algorithm reduce

- Given a non-terminal node $n$ in a BDD, we define $lo(n)$ to be the node pointed to via the dashed line from $n$.
- Dually, $hi(n)$ is the node pointed to via the solid line from $n$. 
Algorithm reduce

• Labeling of terminal nodes:
  – Assign the first label (say #0) to the first 0-node it encounters.
  – All other terminal 0-nodes denote the same function as the first 0-node and therefore get the same label.
  – Similarly, the 1-nodes all get the next label (say #1)

• Reduction Rule (eliminate duplicate terminals)
Algorithm reduce

• Labeling of non-terminal nodes (Given an $x_i$ node $n$ and already assigned integer labels to all nodes of a layer $> i$):
  – If the label $id(lo(n))$ is same as $id(hi(n))$, then we set $id(n)$ to be that label
  – (Reduction Rule:, Redundant nodes).
Algorithm reduce

• Labeling of non-terminal nodes (Given an $x_i$ node $n$ and already assigned integer labels to all nodes of a layer $> i$):
  – If there is another node $m$ such that $n$ and $m$ have the same variables $x_i$, and $id(lo(n)) = id(lo(m))$ and $id(hi(n)) = id(hi(m))$, then we set $id(n)$ to be $id(m)$.
  – (Reduction Rule, duplicate nodes)
Algorithm reduce

• Labeling of non-terminal nodes (Given an $x_i$ node $n$ and already assigned integer labels to all nodes of a layer $> i$):
  – Otherwise, we set $\text{id}(n)$ to the next unused integer label.
Algorithm reduce
Algorithm reduce
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Algorithm reduce

X

Y

Z

Y

Y

Z

#2

#3

#2

#2

#2

#0

#0

#1

#1

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#1
Algorithm reduce
Algorithm reduce

id(lo(n)) = id(lo(m))
Id(hi(n)) = id(hi(m))

Merge of duplicate node
Algorithm reduce

id(lo(p)) is same as id(hi(p))

Removal of redundant node

id(lo(n)) = id(lo(m))
Id(hi(n)) = id(hi(m))

Merge of duplicate node
Algorithm reduce

Reduced Ordered BDD (ROBDD)
Reduced Ordered BDDs (ROBDDs)

• The reduced OBDD, representing a given function \( f \), is *unique*.

• That is to say, let \( B_1 \) and \( B_2 \) be two reduced OBDDs with *compatible variable ordering*. If \( B_1 \) and \( B_2 \) represent the same Boolean function, then they have identical structure.

• The order in which we applied the reductions does not matter.

• OBDDs have a canonical form, their unique ROBDDs.
Reduced Ordered BDDs (ROBDDs)

Let $B_1$ and $B_2$ are the BDDs of Boolean function $f_1$ and $f_2$.

The orderings of $B_1$ and $B_2$ are said to be \textit{compatible} if there are no variables $x$ and $y$ such that $x$ comes before $y$ in the ordering of $B_1$ and $y$ comes before $x$ in the ordering of $B_2$. 
Application of BDDs

• **Test for Absence of redundant variables**
  
  – If the value of a Boolean function $f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n)$ does not depend on the value $x_i$, then any ROBDD which represents $f$ does not contain any $x_i$-node.
Application of BDDs

• **Test for semantic equivalence**
  
  – $B_f$ and $B_g$ are the ROBDD representation of two functions $f$ and $g$ respectively with compatible variable ordering.

  – $f$ and $g$ denote the same Boolean function if, and only if, the ROBDDs have identical structure.
Application of BDDs

• **Test for Validity**
  
  – Consider the ROBDD of a Boolean function $f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n)$.
  
  – $f$ is valid if, and only if, its ROBDD is $B_1$. 
Application of BDDs

- **Test for Implication (\( f \rightarrow g \))**
  - We can test whether \( f \) implies \( g \) by computing the ROBDD of \( (B_f \land \neg B_g) \)
  - \( f \) implies \( g \) if, and only if, the resultant ROBDD of \( (B_f \land \neg B_g) \) is \( B_0 \)
Application of BDDs

• Test for Satisfiability
  – A Boolean function \( f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \) is satisfiable if it computes 1 for at least one assignment of 0 and 1 values to its variables.
  – The function \( f \) is satisfiable if, and only if, its ROBDD is not \( B_0 \).
Question

• Apply the algorithm reduce
Question

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Question

- Apply the algorithm reduce
• Apply the algorithm reduce
Algorithm **reduce** for BDDs

- Merge all nodes which have same label and redirect the incoming and outgoing edges accordingly.
Question

• Consider the following function
  \[ f(x,y,z) = xz + xz' + x'y \]
  Is it independent of any variables.
Question

• Consider the following function
  
  $f(x,y,z) = xz + xz' + x'$

  Is it independent of any variables.
  
  Test for validity
Question
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Lecture III: Operation on Ordered Binary Decision Diagram
Operation on BDD

- \( f+g \)
- \( f.g \)
Operation on BDD
Operation on OBDD

Algorithm apply

To perform the binary operation on two ROBDD’s $B_f$ and $B_g$, corresponding to the functions $f$ and $g$ respectively, we use the algorithm $\text{apply}(\text{op}, B_f, B_g)$. The two ROBDDs $B_f$ and $B_g$ have compatible variable ordering.
Operation on OBDD

Algorithm apply

Application of $\text{apply}(\text{op}, B_f, B_g)$ will give a OBDD. The ordering of the resultant BDD is same as $B_f$ or $B_g$ but it may not be the reduced one. After constructing the resultant BDD, we may apply the reduce algorithm to get the ROBDD.
Operation on OBDD
Operation on OBDD

The function *apply* is based on the Shannon’s expansion for *f* and *g*:

\[
\begin{align*}
f &= x.f[0/x] + x.f[1/x] \\
g &= \overline{x}.g[0/x] + x.g[1/x]
\end{align*}
\]

From the Shannon’s expansion of *f* and *g*:

\[
f \ op \ g = \overline{x}.(f[0/x] \ op \ g[0/x]) + x.(f[1/x] \ op \ g[1/x])
\]
Operation on OBDD

This is used as a control structure of apply which proceeds from the roots of $B_f$ and $B_g$ downwards to construct nodes of the OBDD $B_f \text{ op } B_g$.

Let $r_f$ be the root node of $B_f$ and $r_g$ be the root node of $B_g$. 
Operation on OBDD

Algorithm apply(op, B_f, B_g)

1. If both \( r_f \) and \( r_g \) are terminal nodes with labels \( l_f \) and \( l_g \), respectively, compute the value \( l_f \text{ op } l_g \) and the resulting OBDD is \( B_0 \) if the value is 0 and \( B_1 \) otherwise.
Operation on OBDD

In the remaining cases, at least one of the root nodes is a non-terminal.

If both nodes are $x_i$-nodes (i.e., non-terminal of same variable), create an $x_i$-node $n$ (called $r_f, r_g$) with a dashed line to \textit{apply} \((op, \text{lo}(r_f), \text{lo}(r_g))\) and a solid line to \textit{apply} \((op, \text{hi}(r_f), \text{hi}(r_g))\).
Operation on OBDD

If $r_f$ is an $x_i$-node, but $r_g$ is a terminal node or an $x_j$-node with $j > i$, create an $x_i$-node $n$ (called $r_f, r_g$) with a dashed line to $\text{apply}(op, \text{lo}(r_f), r_g)$ and a solid line to $\text{apply}(op, \text{hi}(r_f), r_g)$. 
Operation on OBDD

If \( r_g \) is an \( x_i \)-node, but \( r_f \) is a terminal node or an \( x_j \)-node with \( j > i \), create an \( x_i \)-node \( n \) (called \( r_f, r_g \)) with a dashed line to \textbf{apply}(op, lo(r_g), r_f)\) and a solid line to \textbf{apply}(op, hi(r_g), r_f).
Operation on OBDD

Variable ordering: $[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$
Operation on OBDD

(R_1, S_1)

x_1

(R_2, S_4)

(R_3, S_2)
Operation on OBDD

Variable ordering: \([x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]\)
Operation on OBDD

If $r_f$ is an $x_i$-node, but $r_g$ is a terminal node or an $x_j$-node with $j > i$, create an $x_i$-node $n$ (called $r_f,r_g$) with a dashed line to $\text{apply}(op, \text{lo}(r_f), r_g)$ and a solid line to $\text{apply}(op, \text{hi}(r_f), r_g)$.
Operation on OBDD
Operation on OBDD

Variable ordering: $[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$
Operation on OBDD
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Operation on OBDD
The Boolean formula obtained by replacing all occurrences of $x$ in $f$ by 0 is denoted by $f[0/x]$.

The formula $f[1/x]$ is defined similarly.

The expressions $f[0/x]$ and $f[1/x]$ are called restriction of $f$. 

Operation on OBDD

Algorithm restrict
Operation on OBDD

\( restrict(0, x, B_f) \)

For each node \( n \) corresponding to \( x \), remove \( n \) from OBDD and redirect incoming edges to \( lo(n) \)

\( restrict(1, x, B_f) \)

For each node \( n \) corresponding to \( x \), remove \( n \) from OBDD and redirect incoming edges to \( hi(n) \)
Operation on OBDD

Sometimes we need to express relaxation of the constraint on a subset of variables.

If we relax the constraint on some variable $x$ of a Boolean function $f$, then $f$ could be made true by putting $x$ to 0 or to 1.
Operation on OBDD

We write \((\exists x. f)\) for the Boolean function \(f\) with the constraint on \(x\) relaxed and it can be expressed as:

\[
\exists x. f = f[0/x] + f[1/x]
\]

i.e., there exists \(x\) on which the constraint is relaxed.
Operation on OBDD

Algorithm exists

The \textit{exists} algorithm can be implemented in terms of the algorithms \textit{apply} and \textit{restrict} as

\[ \exists x. f = \text{apply}(+, \text{restrict}(0, x, B_f), \text{restrict}(1, x, B_f)) \]
Operation on OBDD

Algorithm exists

The exists operation can be easily generalized to a sequence of exists operations

$$\exists x_1. \exists x_2. \ldots \ldots \ldots \exists x_n. f$$
Question

• Consider the following function

\[ f = x_1'x_2x_4 + x_1x_2'x_3 + x_1x_2'x_3'x_4 + x_1x_2 \]

Construct the ROBDD for \( f \): \( B_f \)

\[ \text{restrict}(0, x_4, B_f) \] and \( \text{restrict}(1, x_4, B_f) \)

\[ \text{exists}(x_4, B_f) \]
f = x_1'x_2x_4 + x_1x_2'x_3 + x_1x_2'x_3'x_4 + x_1x_2
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Question

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\[ \text{Exists } x_4 \ f = \text{apply}(+, \text{restrict}(0, x_4, Bf), \text{restrict}(1, x_4, Bf)) \]
Question
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Question

• Show that the formula $\exists x. f$ depends on all those variables that $f$ depends upon, except $x$.

• If $f$ computes to 1 with respect to a valuation $\nu$, then $\exists x. f$ computes 1 with respect to the same valuation.
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Lecture IV: Ordered Binary Decision Diagram for State Transition Systems
State Transition System
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State Transition System: set of states

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State Transition Diagram: set of states

• Set of states is represented by Boolean expression.

• OBDDs are used to represent Boolean expression.
State Transition Systems: set of states

ROBDD for \{s1, s2\}
\[x_1'x_2 + x_1x_2'\]

ROBDD for \{s0, s2, s3\}
\[x_1'x_2' + x_1x_2' + x_1x_2\]
State Transition Systems: Set of states

- Set operation:
  - Union, Intersection, etc
- S1 and S2 are two sets.
State Transition Systems: Set of states

• Set operation:
  – Union, Intersection, etc

• S1 and S2 are two sets.

• $B_{S1}$ and $B_{S2}$ are the OBDD representation of sets S1 and S2 respectively.

• Union of S1 and S2 is $apply( +, B_{S1}, B_{S2})$

• Intersection of S1 and S2 is $apply(. , B_{S1}, B_{S2})$
State Transition system: transition

- Transition of a system can be viewed as an ordered pair \((s_p, s_n)\)
  - \(s_p\): present state
  - \(s_n\): next state
State Transition system: transition

• Transition of a system can be viewed as an ordered pair \((s_p, s_n)\)
  - \(s_p\): present state
  - \(s_n\): next state
  - If \(n\) variables are used to represent the current state
    \(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, \ldots, x_n\)
  - We Need another \(n\) variables to represent the next state
    \(x'_1, x'_2, x'_3, x'_4, \ldots, x'_n\)
State Transition System: Transitions

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the states \(s_0, s_1, s_2\) and \(s_3\) can be distinguished using two state variables, say \(x_1\) and \(x_2\).
State Transition System: Transitions

Next state variables: $x_1'$ and $x_2'$

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State Transition system: transition
State Transition system

• State transition system can be represented by Boolean expression.
• OBDD is used to represent Boolean expression.
Verification: Model Checking

- Model of the system: Kripke structure
  - Set of states
  - Transitions
  - Labeling function
- Specification/Property: CTL
- Verification Method: Model Checking method
Model Checking

• Graph traversal algorithm
• State space explosion problem
• OBDD can be used to represent kripke structure
  – State transition system
  – Labeling function
Model Checking

• Symbolic Model Checking
CTL Model Checking

Temporal Operator:

AF p

- If any state s is labeled with p, label it with AF p
- Repeat: label any state with AF p if all successor states are labeled with AF p until there is no change.
Symbolic Model Checking

- Requirements:
  - Find the predecessor state(s) of a state or a set of states
Symbolic Model Checking

- To find the predecessor states, we define two functions:
  - $\text{Pre}_\exists(X)$: takes a subset $X$ of states $S$ and return the set of states which can make a transition into $X$.
  - $\text{Pre}_\forall(X)$: takes a subset $X$ of states $S$ and return the set of states which can make a transition only into $X$. 
Symbolic Model Checking

\[ \Pr e_\exists (X) = \{ s \in S \mid \exists s', (s \rightarrow s' \text{ and } s' \in X) \} \]

\[ \Pr e_\forall (X) = \{ s \in S \mid \forall s', (s \rightarrow s' \text{ and } s' \in X) \} \]
Symbolic Model Checking
Symbolic Model Checking

- Important relationship between $\text{Pre} \exists (X)$ and $\text{Pre} \forall (X)$:

  $$\text{Pre} \forall (X) = S - \text{Pre} \exists (S - X)$$

  $S$: Set of all states
  $X$: Subset of $S$
Symbolic Model Checking

Transition System: Represented by ROBDD
Subset X: Represented by ROBDD
Question

• Draw the state transition diagram of MOD-6 counter.
  – Give a binary encoding to the states
  – Give the Boolean expression for the transition system
  – Indicate the labeling function
Question

• Consider the microwave oven controller and give the state encoding. What is the Boolean expression for the state transition diagram.
Question
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Lecture V: Symbolic Model Checking
Symbolic Model Checking

- Represent the transition systems with ROBDD
- Set of states can be represented by ROBDD
Symbolic Model Checking

• Basis of Model Checking
  – Graph Traversal algorithms
  – Need to find the predecessor states of a given state or a set of states
Symbolic Model Checking
Symbolic Model Checking

• Important relationship between $\text{Pre}_\exists(X)$ and $\text{Pre}_\forall(X)$:

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Symbolic Model Checking

Procedure for $\text{Pre}_\exists (X)$

Given,

– $B_X$: OBDD for set of states $X$.
– $B_\rightarrow$: OBDD for transition relations.

Procedure,

– Rename the variables in $B_X$ to their primed versions; call the resulting OBDD $B_X'$.
– Compute the OBDD for $\exists (x', \text{apply}(\cdot, B_\rightarrow, B_X'))$ using the $\text{apply}$ and $\exists$ algorithms.
Symbolic Model Checking

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Symbolic Model Checking

– Compute the OBDD for exists(x’, apply(●, B→, Bₓ’)) using the apply and exists algorithms.
Function \( \text{SAT}_{\text{EX}}(p) \)
/* determines the set of states satisfying EXp */
local var X,Y
begin
  X := SAT(p)
  Y := \{s_0 \in S \mid s_0 \rightarrow s_1 \text{ for some } s_1 \in X\}
return Y
end
Symbolic Model Checking

\textbf{EX}(B_{\phi}): \\
B_{\phi} : \text{OBDD for set of states where } \phi \text{ is true.} \\
// Analogous to \( X := \text{SAT}(\phi) \); \\
B_{\rightarrow} : \text{OBDD for transition relation.} \\
\text{Return } \text{Pre}_{\exists}(B_{\phi}). // \text{Analogous to } Y := \{ s \in S \mid \text{exists } s', ( s \rightarrow s' \text{ and } s' \in X) \};

Evaluation of \text{Pre}_{\exists}(X)
Symbolic Model Checking
CTL Model Checking

Function $\text{SAT}_\text{AF}(p)$
/* determines the set of states satisfying $\text{AF}p$ */
local var X, Y
begin
  $X := $S, $Y := $SAT(p),
  repeat until $X = Y$
  begin
    $X := Y$
    $Y := Y \cup \{ s | \text{for all } s' \text{ with } s \rightarrow s' \text{ we have } s' \in Y\}$
  end
return Y
end
CTL Model Checking
Symbolic Model Checking

\[ \text{AF}(B_\phi): \]
\[ B_\phi: \text{OBDD for set of states where } \phi \text{ is true.} // \text{Analogous to } “Y := SAT(\phi)” ; \]
\[ B_\rightarrow: \text{OBDD for transition relation.} \]
\[ B_X: \text{OBDD for all states of the system.} // \text{Analogous to } “X := S”; \]

repeat until \( B_X = B_\phi \) // Analogous to “Repeat until X=Y”
\[ B_X := B_\phi // \text{Analogous to } “X := Y;” \]
\[ B_\phi := \text{apply}(+, B_\phi, \text{Pre}_\forall (B_\phi)) // \text{Analogous to } “Y := Y \cup \{ s \in S \mid \text{for all } s', (s \rightarrow s' \text{ implies } s' \in Y)\}” \]
end

return \( B_\phi \)

\[ \text{Pre}_\forall (X) = S - \text{Pre}_\exists (S - X) \]
Function $\text{SAT}_{EU}(p,q)$

/* determines the set of states satisfying $E(p U q)$ */
local var $W,X,Y$
begin
  $W := \text{SAT}(p)$, $X := S$, $Y := \text{SAT}(q)$
  repeat until $X = Y$
  begin
    begin
      $X := Y$
      $Y := Y \cup (W \cap \{s \mid \text{exists } s' \text{ such that } s \rightarrow s' \text{ and } s' \in Y\})$
    end
    return $Y$
  end
end
CTL Model Checking
Symbolic Model Checking

\[ \textbf{EU}(B_\psi_1, B_\psi_2): \]

\[ B_X: \text{OBDD for all states of the system.} \quad // \text{Analogous to} \]
\[ "X := S" \]

\[ B_\psi_1: \text{OBDD for set of states where } \psi_1 \text{ is true.} \quad // \text{Analogous to} \]
\[ "W := \text{SAT}(\psi_1);" \]

\[ B_\psi_2: \text{OBDD for set of states where } \psi_2 \text{ is true.} \quad // \text{Analogous to} \]
\[ "Y := \text{SAT}(\psi_2);" \]

\[ B_\rightarrow: \text{OBDD for transition relation.} \]

repeat until \( B_X = B_\psi_2 \)

\[ B_X := B_\psi_2 \quad // \text{Analogous to} \]
\[ "X := Y;" \]

\[ B_\psi_2 := \text{apply}(+, B_\psi_2, \text{apply}(\cdot, B_\psi_1, \text{Pre}_3(B_\psi_2))) \quad // \]
\[ \text{Analogous to} \]
\[ "Y := Y \cup (W \cap \{ s \in S \mid \text{exists } s', (s \to s' \text{ and } s' \in Y)\});" \]

end

return \( B_\psi_2 \)
Tools

• CUDD
  – CU Decision Diagram Package
  – University of Colorado at Boulder

• nuSMV
  – Extension of SMV, the first model checker based on BDD

• SPIN
  – LTL model checker developed at BELL labs
System Design Verification

• Model of the system
  – Kripke structure (kind of FSM)

• Specification
  – Specification language (like CTL)

• Verification Method
  – Model Checking
System Design Verification

• Model Checking Algorithms
  – Polynomial algorithm
  – Method can be easily automated
  – It provides counter example

• Problem with model checking
  – State space explosion problem

• Symbolic Model Checking
  – Use of OBDDs to contain the state space explosion problem
Question

• We have discussed system model for
  – Elevator controller
  – Microwave oven controller

• Specification and verification of
  – Traffic light controller
  – Controller for ATM

• Use of tools
  – nuSMV and SPIN
Design Cycle: Digital Systems

- Specification
- Design
- Verification
- Implementation
- Testing
- Installation/marketing
- Maintenance
The Course: Digital VLSI Design

• This course is about Digital VLSI Design
• This course consists of three parts
  – Design
  – Verification
  – Test