WAPS: Weighted and Projected Sampling

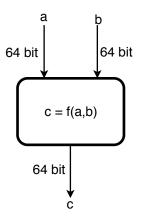
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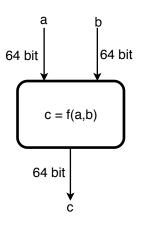
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Hardware Validation



- Design is simulated with test vector (values of a and b)
- Results from simulation compared to intended results
- Challenge: How do we generate test vectors?
 - 2¹²⁸ combinations for a toy circuit
- Use constraints to represent interesting verification scenarios

Constrained Simulation



Constraints:

- Designers:
 - $-a +_{64} 11 *_{32} b = 12$
 - $-a <_{64} (b >> 4)$
- Past Experience:
 - $\ 40 <_{64} 34 +_{64} a <_{64} 5050$
 - $-120 <_{64} b <_{64} 230$

• Users:

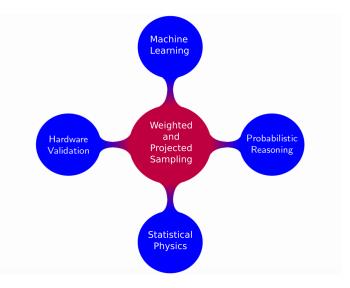
- $232 *_{32} a +_{64} b! = 1100$
- 1020 <₆₄ ($b/_{64}$ 2) +₆₄ a <₆₄ 2200
- Weight distribution: $W(\cdot)$ on solutions of constraints to achieve coverage goals
- Test vectors: sampled solutions of constraints conditioned on $W(\cdot)$

Given:

- CNF formula F over a set of variables X
- Set of projecting variables $P \subseteq X$
- Weight function $W(\cdot)$ over literals
 - The weight of assignment is the product of weights of its literals
- Weighted and Projected Sampler:

$$\forall y \in R_{F \downarrow P}, \Pr[y \text{ is output }] = \frac{W(y)}{W(R_{F \downarrow P})}$$

Applications of Weighted and Projected Sampling



- Theoretical guarantee that samples projected over a sampling set satisfy a certain weight distribution.
- Scalability
- Anytime Generation:
 - Testing typically involves multiple iterations of sampling and verification.

Strong guarantees but poor scalability

- Hashing based techniques WeightGen (Chakraborty et al. 2014)
- BDD based techniques (Yuan et al. 1999, Yuan et al. 2004, Kukula and Shiple 2000)

Weak guarantees but impressive scalability

• MCMC, Metropolis-Hasting (Jerrum et al. 1996, Mardras et al. '02)

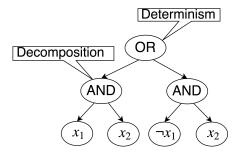
How to bridge this gap between theory and practice?

- Approximate counting and almost-uniform sampling are inter-reducible (Jerrum et al. 1986)
- Can we design exact samplers that require only one call to exact counter?
- All exact counting techniques generate d-DNNF (Huang and Darwiche 2008)
- Uniform sampling can be performed by making constant number of passes over compiled d-DNNF (Sharma et al. 2018)
- Can knowledge compilation technique be used to perform weighted and projected sampling?

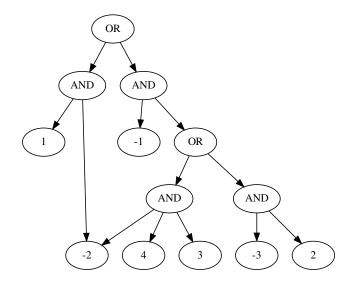
d-DNNF

The Deterministic Decomposable Negation Normal Form (d-DNNF) is a strict subset of **NNF** that further imposes that the representation is:

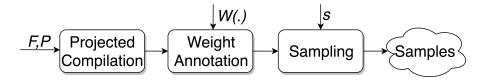
- **Deterministic**: the operands of \lor in all well-formed Boolean formula in the NNF are mutually inconsistent.
- **Decomposable**: the operands of ∧ in all well-formed Boolean formula in the NNF are expressed in a mutually disjoint set of variables.



An example of d-DNNF

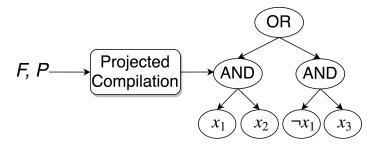


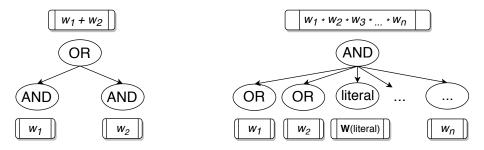
- Counting is linear time in the size of d-DNNF.
 - OR Node: Sum the solutions of children
 - AND Node: Multiply the solutions of children



Projected Compilation

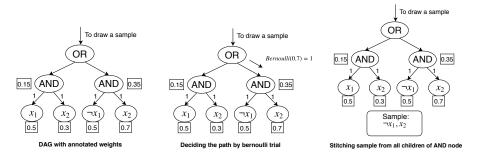
$$\begin{aligned} F &= (x_6 \lor x_5 \lor \neg x_1 \lor x_3) \land (x_3 \lor x_6 \lor \neg x_5 \lor \neg x_1) \land (\neg x_2 \lor x_4 \lor \neg x_1) \land \\ & (x_1 \lor x_2) \land (x_3 \lor \neg x_6 \lor \neg x_1) \land (\neg x_3 \lor \neg x_5 \lor x_6) \end{aligned} \\ P &= \{x_1, x_2, x_3\} \end{aligned}$$





Getting one sample

- Since, solutions are disjoint at different children of an OR node, to draw a sample, we can simply perform a Bernoulli experiment with probabilities proportional to the weights of children at OR node.
- At AND node, we simply stitch the samples from its children.



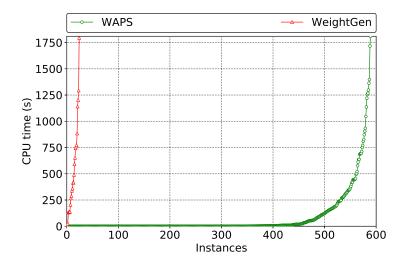
To draw multiple samples

- Use Binomial Distribution at the OR nodes to find number of samples to be drawn from each child
- Randomly shuffle the samples before stitching them at the AND node.

$$\forall y \in R_{F \downarrow P}, \Pr[y \text{ is output }] = \frac{W(y)}{W(R_{F \downarrow P})}$$

- 773 benchmarks arising from ISCAS89 circuits, DQMR networks, bit-blasted versions of SMT-LIB (SMT)
- Compared with WeightGen: state-of-the-art weighted and projected sampler
- Objectives:
 - Runtime performance
 - Anytime Generation
 - Distribution comparison
 - Effect of Weight Distribution

Runtime Performance-I



- WeightGen solved 24 benchmarks
- WAPS solved 588 benchmarks

Benchmark	Vars	Clauses	<i>P</i>	WeightGen	WAPS			WeightGen
				WeightGen	Compile	A+S	Total	WAPS
s526_15_7	452	1303	22	652.48	91.66	31.15	122.81	5.31
s526a_3_2	366	944	24	490.34	15.37	1.96	17.33	28.29
LoginService	11511	41411	36	1203.93	15.02	0.75	15.77	76.34
blockmap_5_2	1738	3452	1738	1140.87	0.04	5.30	5.34	213.65
s526_3_2	365	943	24	417.24	0.06	0.67	0.73	571.56
or-50-5-9-UC-40	100	250	100	743.1	0.01	0.41	0.42	1769.29
or-100-5-4-UC	200	500	200	1795.52	0.01	0.74	0.75	2426.38
or-50-5-10-UC	100	250	100	1292.67	0.01	0.36	0.37	3590.75
blasted_case35	400	1414	46	TO	0.57	1.46	2.03	-
or-100-20-4-UC	200	500	200	TO	0.19	2.48	2.67	-

Table: Run time (in seconds) for 1000 samples

ullet WAPS outperformed WeightGen with a geometric speedup of 296imes

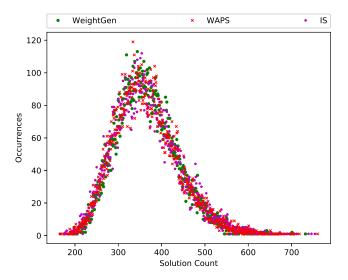
Anytime Generation

Benchmark	Vars	Clauses	P	WA	Creadur		
Delicimark	Vars	Clauses		1000	10,000	Speedup	
case110	287	1263	287	1.14	9.28	1.26	
or-70-10-10-UC-20	140	350	140	2.75	9.02	6.56	
s526_7_4	383	1019	24	60.38	143.16	13.20	
or-60-5-2-UC-10	120	300	120	12.10	20.35	16.50	
s35932_15_7	17918	44709	1763	69.01	106.65	20.73	
case121	291	975	48	35.85	51.41	20.73	
s641_15_7	576	1399	54	729.38	916.83	35.01	
squaring7	1628	5837	72	321.95	365.13	67.10	
LoginService	11511	41411	36	15.89	18.12	64.13	
ProjectService	3175	11019	55	184.51	195.25	154.61	

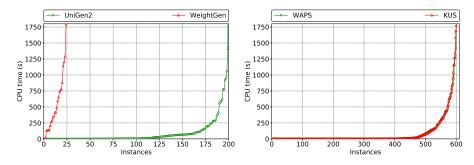
Table: Runtimes (in sec.) of WAPS for incremental sampling

• WAPS achieves a geometric speedup of $3.69 \times$

Distribution Comparison



Effect of Weight Distribution



- The performance of hashing-based techniques is limited in its ability to handle literal-weighted sampling.
- The performance of knowledge compilation based sampling technique is oblivious to the weight distribution.

- Weighted and projected sampling is a fundamental problem with a wide variety of applications
- Deep connection between sampling and counting offers opportunities for design of sampling algorithms
- The trace of exact counting algorithms generates compiled knowledge forms. (d-DNNF)
- Knowledge representations can be used to generate samples
- Outperforms existing state of the art techniques
- Where do we go from here? Knowledge compilation for sampling?

- Exact counting is #P-complete
- Exact counting can be done in linear time in the size of d-DNNF
- Relaxations of d-DNNF that allow sampling in polynomial time but not exact counting?

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