

Random Search on 3SAT

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- Model checking
- Applications in Bioinformatics
- Ref: Marques-Silva, Joao. "Practical applications of boolean satisfiability." Discrete Event Systems, 2008. WODES 2008. 9th International Workshop on. IEEE, 2008.

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- $(x_1 \vee x_2)$ is logically equivalent to either of $\neg x_1 \Rightarrow x_2$ or $\neg x_2 \Rightarrow x_1$
- Thus a 2SAT formula may be viewed as a set of implications.
 - Construct a directed graph G such that vertices of G are the variables and their negations.
 - There is an arc (x_1, x_2) in G if and only if there is a clause $(\neg x_1 \vee x_2)$ or $(x_2 \vee \neg x_1)$ in the 2SAT instance.

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- It is clear that 2SAT may be decided under the same time bound.

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- No known polynomial time reduction from SAT (or 3SAT) to 2SAT. If there was, then SAT and 3SAT would be solvable in polynomial time.

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The Algorithm - By Naheed

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Let Ω be the set of all possible (2^n) truth assignments of \mathbf{a} .

for all assignment $\mathbf{a} \in \Omega$ **do**

if \mathbf{a} satisfies E **then**

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repeat  $T$  times (or until a satisfying truth assignment is found)
  choose an initial truth assignment,  $\mathbf{a}_0$  uniformly at random from  $\Omega$ 
  current assignment,  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}_0$ 
  repeat  $n$  times (or until  $\mathbf{a}$  satisfies  $E$ )
    Choose a clause  $C$  violated by the current assignment  $\mathbf{a}$ .
    Choose one of the literals from  $C$  uniformly at random, and
    modify  $\mathbf{a}$  by flipping the value of the corresponding variable.
  if a satisfying assignment was found then
    return "satisfiable"
  else
    return "unsatisfiable"
  end if

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Example (Case 1: E unsatisfiable)

$$n = 3 \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$$

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- Schönig's algorithm will always return unsatisfiable when E is unsatisfiable.

Example (Case 2: E satisfiable in 1st Trial)

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Example (Case 3: E satisfiable but Schönig Fails!)

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Question

How large \mathbf{T} should be to find a satisfiable truth assignment with High Probability?

Analysis Part 1 - By DME Manupa Karunaratne

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- Since the difference is only at the first two locations and the third one is same as \mathbf{a}^* , the Hamming Distance is 2.

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- Let the hamming distance between a given assignment a and the satisfying assignment \mathbf{a}^* is k .

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$$T = \frac{d \ln(n)}{\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3^{\frac{n}{2}}}} = 2d(\sqrt{3})^n \ln(n) = \Theta((\sqrt{3})^n \log(n))$$

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Conclusion

Taking $T = \Theta((1.74)^n \log n)$, the random search algorithm is correct with a high probability.

Analysis Part 2 – By Erick

Planning

- Keep the algorithm the same
 - Repeat T times

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- But prove better bound
 - Smaller T
 - Better analysis gives less iteration
 - Faster running time!

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- Want to count all values of initial distance k
 - Let the success probability be a function of k

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- Probability an initial assignment \mathbf{a}_0 having initial distance k ?
 - Flip a sequence of n coins and get k heads

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- Substituting for p , the number of outer loop iterations

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Schöning's Algorithm (Version 2)

Conclusion

Taking $T = \Theta((1.5)^n \log n)$, the random search algorithm is correct with high probability

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Updated Schönig's Algorithm for 3SAT

Let $E = C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge \dots \wedge C_m$ be the Boolean Expression where C_i is the i -th Clause.

Let Ω be the set of all possible (2^n) truth assignments of E .

repeat T times (or until a satisfying truth assignment is found)

 choose a truth assignment \mathbf{a} uniformly at random from Ω

repeat $3n$ times (or until \mathbf{a} satisfies E)

 Choose a clause C violated by the current assignment \mathbf{a} .

 Choose one of the literals from C uniformly at random, and

 modify \mathbf{a} by flipping the value of the corresponding variable.

if a satisfying assignment was found **then**

 return “satisfiable”

else

 return “unsatisfiable”

end if

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Stirling's approximation

$$n! = \Theta\left(\sqrt{n}\left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n\right)$$

Approximation of binomial coefficient

$$\binom{3k}{k} = \frac{(3k)!}{(2k)! \cdot k!} = \Theta\left(\frac{\sqrt{3k}}{\sqrt{2k} \cdot \sqrt{k}} \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{3k}{e}\right)^{3k}}{\left(\frac{2k}{e}\right)^{2k} \cdot \left(\frac{k}{e}\right)^k}\right) = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \cdot \frac{3^{3k}}{2^{2k}}\right)$$

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Summary

- SAT problem
- Brute force for 3SAT : **Complexity:** $\mathcal{O}(2^n)$
- Schönig's Algorithm for 3SAT
 - Analysis 1 : **Complexity:** $\mathcal{O}(1.74^n \cdot n \log n)$
 - Analysis 2 : **Complexity:** $\mathcal{O}(1.5^n \cdot n \log n)$
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