Logic Synthesis & Verification, Fall 2014

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Programming Assignment 2

Due on 2014/12/10 before lecture

1 [Programming ABC]

Please write in the ABC environment an ALLSAT procedure to convert a given circuit to a disjunctive normal form (DNF) formula. (Note that an ALLSAT procedure aims to generate all satisfying solutions to a given CNF formula.)

Reference: Y. Yu et al. All-SAT using minimal blocking clauses. In Proc. Int'l Conf. on VLSI Design, 2014.

Programming task:

- 1. Input: A single-output circuit specified by a BLIF file.
- 2. Output: A DNF expression of the input circuit in the PLA format.
- 3. Name the command ckt2dnf.
- 4. Write your program in abc.c starting with a new function named Abc_CommandCkt2Dnf.
- 5. Use MiniSAT to obtain all satisfying solutions to the given circuit. Please first convert the circuit to an AIG, and then convert the AIG to a CNF formula for SAT solving.
- 6. Name your output PLA file as ckt-dnf.pla for the input file ckt.blif.
- 7. Run Espresso on your generated PLA file to see how much reduction can be achieved.

Programming help:

One simple implementation may proceed in the following steps: 1) strash the current network into an AIG, 2) convert the AIG into CNF¹, and 3) enumerate all solutions by iteratively adding blocking clauses to the solver. Note that incremental SAT solving² using unit assumptions³ may be helpful.

Items to turn in:

- (1) Your new file abc.c
- (2) Your output PLA files.

¹ Procedure Cnf DeriveSimple is recommended for circuit to CNF conversion (easier to understand).

² Procedure Abc_NtkDSat in src/base/abci/abcDar.c shows an example of SAT solver usage.

³ Unit assumptions can be added in the second and third arguments of sat_solver_solve for incremental SAT solving.

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- (3) A brief description about your implementation, where any effort to enhance computation efficiency should be highlighted. (A 10% bonus credit will be given to implementations with compact PLA outputs.)
- (4) A table summarizing your DNF expressions and the Espresso minimized DNF expressions.