Satisfiability modulo theories and particle physics

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The Challenge

- Particle physics problems inherently incorporate a set of logical operations
- Tracking logics becomes difficult as problem complexity increases
- ▶ High-precision phenomenological calculations are increasingly important

The Growing Complexity

- High number of literals in calculations:
 - Numerous propagators
 - Multiple scales
 - Abundant amplitudes



Current Limitations

- Traditional methods are slowly hitting a wall
- Often only relying on increased computing resources:
 - Results in longer waiting times
 - Increases CO2 footprint
 - Might not be optimal use of a human and computer time

A Promising Solution (for some problems)

- SMT (Satisfiability Modulo Theories) solvers
- Potential to optimize how we handle complex logics in particle physics

This Talk

We'll explore how SMT solvers can help us solve certain class of particle physics problems more efficiently and effectively.

Outline



- $1. \ \ \text{Introduction to SMT solving}$
- 2. Basic SAT solving strategies
- 3. SAT-SMT connection
- 4. Examples of SMT solving using Z3
- 5. How many jets are too many?
- 6. OrthoBase Automatic generation of orthogonal multiplet bases in $SU(N_c)$
- 7. Young tableaux mannipulations using an SMT solver
- 8. Other possible use cases

What is SMT?

- SMT: Satisfiability Modulo Theories
- A decision problem for logical formulas with respect to combinations of background theories expressed in classical first-order logic

Historical Context

- Emerged in the late 1970s and early 1980s
- ▶ Gained significant traction in the 2000s with the advent of efficient SMT solvers

Famous SMT Solvers

- Z3 (Microsoft Research)
- CVC4/CVC5 (Stanford University)
- Yices (SRI International)
- MathSAT (FBK-IRST and University of Trento)
- SMT-RAT (RWTH Aachen University)



SMT-COMP 2024

The International
Satisfiability Modulo
Theories (SMT)
Competition.
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Results Rules

SMT-COMP 2024

The 19th International Satisfiability Modula Theories Competition (SMT-COMP 2024) is part of the SMT Workshop 2024, affiliated with CAV-36. The SMT Workshop will include a block of time to present the competitors and results of the competition.

Key dates

- · April 13 Deadline for new benchmark contributions
- · May 11 Final versions of competition tools (used by the organizers to run the participating solvers)
- May 27 Deadline for first versions of participating solvers (for all tracks), including preliminary system descriptions
- · June 8 Deadline for final versions of participating solvers, including final system descriptions
- July 22–23 SMT Workshop (presentation of results)

Organizers

- · Martin Bromberger (chair) MPI für Informatik, Germany
- · François Bobot CEA List, France
- · Martin Jonáš Masaryk University, Czechia

SMT-COMP 2024 is organized under the direction of the SMT Steering Committee.

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Real-World Applications

- Software verification and testing
- Hardware design verification, equivalence checking
- Automated theorem proving
- Constraint Satisfaction Problems (CSPs): Scheduling, Resource Allocation
- Program Synthesis, Automated Programming

Particle physics?



First order logic (FOL)

- Expressive formal language system that breaks statements down into
 - Things
 - Constants: x, y
 - Functions: f(x), g(x)
 - Relationships
 - Predicates: assert(x > y)
 - Connectives
 - ▶ &&, ||, !
 - Quantifiers
 - ▶ ∃,∀

Example of FOL:

• Every electron has a negative charge $\Rightarrow \forall x, (Electron(x) \rightarrow Charge(x, -1))$

Non-Example of FOL:

► There is a set of particles that behaves according to the Pauli exclusion principle \Rightarrow $\exists S, (Set(S) \land \forall x, \forall y, (x \in S \land y \in S \land x \neq y \rightarrow \neg SameState(x, y)))$

- ► Conjunction &&, AND, ∧, *
- ▶ Disjunction \parallel , OR, \lor , +
- ▶ Negation !, NOT, ¬
- Conjunctive normal form (CNF) conjunction of one or more disjunctions of one or more literals
 - Example $(A \lor B \lor C) \land (\neg D \lor E \neg F)$

Satisfiability (SAT) problems

• Can we satisfy all the constraints?

- $\blacktriangleright \exists a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{B} : (a \lor b \lor \neg c) \land (\neg a \lor d)$
- Is the circuit going to be satisfied?

Modulo Theories

bool is not enough:

► $\exists x, y : 0.437x + \sqrt{y} = 23.8$

►
$$\exists x, y : x^2 > 3.7y + 85$$

Taken from Jon Smock, 2016

x1 + x4 x1 + x3' + x8' x1 + x8 + x12 x2 + x11 x7' + x3' + x9 x7' + x8 + x9' x7 + x8 + x10' x7 + x10 + x12'

x1 + x4

 $x^{2} + x^{11}$

x7' + x8 + x9'x7 + x8 + x10'x7 + x10 + x12'

Step 6

Step 7

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If a implies b, then b' implies a' Step 12 $x_3=1 x_7=1 x_8=0 \rightarrow \text{conflict}$ Not conflict \rightarrow (x3=1 \land x7=1 \land x8=0)' true \rightarrow (x3=1 \land x7=1 \land x8=0)' (x3=1^x7=1^x8=0) (x3' + x7' + x8)

Basic princple of a SMT solver

Basic princple of a SMT solver

$$x > 0 \land (x^2 > 0 \lor x < 0) \land (x^3 < 0 \lor x = 3) \land (\neg x > 0 \lor \neg x^3 < 0)$$

$$(\neg x > 0 \lor \neg x^3 < 0)$$

$$\{x > 0, \neg x^3 < 0, x = 3, x^2 > 0\}$$
SAT solver
$$SAT, x \mapsto 3$$

$$\{x > 0, \neg x^3 < 0, x = 3, x^2 > 0\}$$
Theory solvers

Algorithmic complexity

SAT is a NP-Complete problem, SMT is a NP-Hard problem...

 (a)
 Industrial
 instance:
 (b)
 Random
 instance:
 unif-k3-r4.267

 aes_16_10_keyfind_3
 v421-c1796-S4839562527790587617
 v421-c1796-S4839562527790587617

SATGraf: Evolution of SAT formula structure in solvers

The most problems arising in the real life are solvable in a foreseeable time...

Demonstration of z3-solver in action:

```
from z3 import *
Vacation, Work = Bools('Vacation Work')
s = Solver()
s.add(Or(Vacation, Work),
Or(Not(Vacation), Work),
Or(Not(Vacation), Not(Work)))
print(s.check())
print(s.model())
```

Output:

sat
[Vacation = False, Work = True]

from z3 import *

```
# We know each queen must be in a different row.
# So, we represent each queen by a single integer: the column position
Q = [Int('Q_{i'}' % (i + 1)) for i in range(8) ]
```

```
# Each queen is in a column {1, ... 8 }
val_c = [ And(1 <= Q[i], Q[i] <= 8) for i in range(8) ]</pre>
```

```
# At most one queen per column
col_c = [ Distinct(Q) ]
```

```
solve(val_c + col_c + diag_c)
```


Multiplet decomposition and matching for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg$ in SU(3)

An orthogonal multiplet basis for $g(p_a) + g(p_b) o ar q(p_1) + q(p_2)$:

$$c_1 = \delta^{ab} \delta_{21}, \quad c_2 = d^{abc} T^c_{21}, \quad c_3 = i f^{abc} T^c_{21}$$

• How to generate such a basis for an arbitrary $2 \rightarrow n$ process?

▶ There are number of Mathematica packages for Young tableaux manipulation

- LieART [Feger et al, 2019]
- xActs [Nutma, 2013]
- . . .

They only work for fixed value of N_c Impossible to generate e.g. $N_c - 2 \begin{cases} \hline \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \end{bmatrix}$, which is 0 for $SU(3) \otimes SU(3)$

The performance scales very badly with increasing number of tableaux

How can we generate something like this?

 $8^{\otimes 11}$ $= 614000 \cdot 1 \oplus 3609760 \cdot 8 \oplus 3307040 \cdot \overline{10} \oplus 3307040 \cdot 10 \oplus 7247504 \cdot 27$ \oplus 2596176 \cdot $\overline{28} \oplus$ 2596176 \cdot 28 \oplus 6165720 \cdot $\overline{35} \oplus$ 6165720 \cdot 35 \oplus 686070 \cdot $\overline{55}$ $\oplus \ 686070 \cdot 55 \oplus 8194065 \cdot 64 \oplus 2766060 \cdot \overline{80} \oplus 2766060 \cdot 80 \oplus 6049890 \cdot \overline{81}$ \oplus 6049890 \cdot 81 \oplus 61710 \cdot 91 \oplus 61710 \cdot 91 \oplus 6030750 \cdot 125 \oplus 1320 \cdot 136 \oplus 1320 \cdot 136 \oplus 433422 \cdot 143 \oplus 433422 \cdot 143 \oplus 3811500 \cdot 154 \oplus 3811500 \cdot 154 \oplus 1607364 \cdot 162 \oplus 1607364 \cdot 162 \oplus 3035780 \cdot 216 \oplus 20460 \cdot 224 \oplus 20460 \cdot 224 $\oplus \ 1622720 \cdot \overline{260} \oplus 1622720 \cdot 260 \oplus 142780 \cdot \overline{270} \oplus 142780 \cdot 270 \oplus 592900 \cdot \overline{280}$ \oplus 592900 · 280 \oplus 132 · $\overline{323} \oplus$ 132 · 323 \oplus 1051666 · 343 \oplus 466290 · $\overline{405}_{(13.8)}$ \oplus 466290 · 405_(13,5) \oplus 2970 · $\overline{405}_{(16,14)}$ \oplus 2970 · 405_(16,2) \oplus 140360 · $\overline{440}$ \oplus 140360 · 440 \oplus 27148 · $\overline{442} \oplus$ 27148 · 442 \oplus 244574 · 512 \oplus 87010 · $\overline{595}$ $\oplus 87010 \cdot 595 \oplus 165 \cdot \overline{640} \oplus 165 \cdot 640 \oplus 20196 \cdot \overline{648} \oplus 20196 \cdot 648 \oplus 2750 \cdot \overline{665}$ $\oplus\ 2750\cdot 665\oplus\ 35970\cdot 729\oplus\ 9680\cdot \overline{836}\oplus\ 9680\cdot 836\oplus\ 1540\cdot\overline{910}\oplus\ 1540\cdot910$ \oplus 110 \cdot 945 \oplus 110 \cdot 945 \oplus 2980 \cdot 1000 \oplus 540 \cdot 1134 \oplus 540 \cdot 1134 \oplus 44 \cdot 1232 \oplus 44 · 1232 \oplus 110 · 1331 \oplus 10 · 1495 \oplus 10 · 1495 \oplus 1 · 1728 = 8589 934 592

Or this?

8⊗100 = 33443500918456193511928172773662367301269374339874884516344743861337119538197216896 👳 1 \oplus 257258780658463513006697646375852917026704950659634633269714393804169309523120243200 \otimes 8 ⊕ 309204994893068523942775976403287617749016009454603899970871863066155630292580264000 * 10 $\oplus \ 813304597709058752624144201416416354238635447991791615732532374421562375077599958800 \\ \otimes \ 27599958800 \\ \otimes \ 2759995800 \\ \otimes \ 275995900 \\ \otimes \ 2759900 \\ \otimes \ 275900 \\ \otimes$ \oplus 740027034814280602878897686985251935432623906916047593281898776287187863956898420000 \otimes 28 ⊕ 1000553899749576178339285857164045666685920489886927494774379185382371141758033897200 ⊗ 35 $\oplus \ 1000553899749576178339285857164045666685920489886927494774379185382371141758033897200 \\ \otimes \ 355986974957617839285857164045666685920489886927494774379185382371141758033897200 \\ \otimes \ 3559869749576178339285857164045666685920489886927494774379185382371141758033897200 \\ \otimes \ 3559869749576178339285857164045666685920489886927494774379185382371141758033897200 \\ \otimes \ 355986974957617833928585716404566685920489886927494774379185382371141758033897200 \\ \otimes \ 35598697495761783392858571640456668592000 \\ \otimes \ 35598697697697600 \\ \otimes \ 35598697697600 \\ \otimes \ 35598697697600 \\ \otimes \ 35598697600 \\ \otimes \ 35598600 \\ \otimes \ 3$ ⊕ 1148551566340185990453039667505313684879219072387615894107819501427633166990615200000 ∞ 55 $\oplus \ 1879483999308075446584563288124994438135508852689962953056888159985164712541793664000 \otimes \overline{80}$ ⊕ . . . ⊕ . . . ⊕ 3759525 ⊗ 966735 ⊕ 3759525 ⊗ 966735 ⊕ 15998400 ⊗ 969408 ⊕ 15998400 ⊗ 969408 $\oplus \ 24497649 \otimes 970299 \oplus 156750 \otimes \overline{983060} \oplus 156750 \otimes 983060 \oplus 489951 \otimes \overline{984851} \oplus 489951 \otimes 984851$ $\oplus \ 4850 \otimes \overline{999100} \oplus \ 4850 \otimes 999100 \oplus 9900 \otimes 1000000 \oplus 99 \otimes \overline{1014849} \oplus 99 \otimes 1014849 \oplus 1 \otimes 1030301$ = 2037035976334486086268445688409378161051468393665936250636140449354381299763336706183397376 $= 2.04 \cdot 10^{90}$

- 873404864895945530640033598677182796408721441141854550663349444034725795666508301976296 tableaux in total
- \blacktriangleright Obtained in \sim 8 hours on a regular laptop
- The memory usage never exceeded 2 GB
- What's a secret?

Young tableaux multiplication: SMT solver approach

Orthobase - A Python library to decompose the QCD processes in an orthogonal color basis:

- Construct multiplet projectors for the decomposition of adjoint representation products in SU(N_c) groups
- Efficient algorithms implemented using the Z3 solver and FORM symbolic manipulation
- Comprehensive set of methods for working with Young tableaux
- Easy-to-use Python interface
- Described in [arXiv:2404.02443]
- Install using: pip install --user OrthoBase
- The manual is emerging at: https://orthobase.readthedocs.io

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
from OrthoBase import YoungTools as YT
```

```
#Define the number of colors
Nc = 3
#Define the SU(3) octet (gluon)
g = YT.YoungTableau([Nc-1,1],Nc)
```

```
#Perform the decomposition of 25 gluons
multiplets = g**25
#Print information about the resulting multiplets
multiplets.print():
```

```
#Get the list of all 162-plets
y_10_list = multiplets["162"]
```

```
#Obtain the conjugate of the first one
y_10_1_conj = y_10_list.conjugate()
```

```
#decompose as a quark antiquark pair
y_10_1_conj.decompose()
print(y_10_1_conj.decomposition)
```


Example: Construction of P^{343} projector

We follow the strategy outlined in [Keppeler, Sjödahl, 2012]

$$\begin{split} P^{343}_{\mu_1\mu_2\mu_3\mu_4\mu_5\mu_6,\nu_1,\nu_2,\nu_3,\nu_4,\nu_5,\nu_6} = & P^{216}_{\mu_1\mu_2\mu_3\mu_4\mu_5} T^{\mu_1}_{a_1m_1} T^{\mu_2}_{a_2m_2} T^{\mu_3}_{a_3m_3} T^{\mu_4}_{a_4m_4} T^{\mu_5}_{a_5m_5} T^{\mu_6}_{a_6m_6} \\ & \times P^{216}_{\nu_1\nu_2\nu_3\nu_4\nu_5} T^{\mu_1}_{b_1n_1} T^{\mu_2}_{b_2n_2} T^{\mu_3}_{b_3n_3} T^{\mu_4}_{b_4n_4} T^{\mu_5}_{b_5n_5} T^{\mu_6}_{b_6n_6} \\ & \times (\delta^{a_1b_1} \delta^{a_2b_2} \delta^{a_3b_3} \delta^{a_4b_4} \delta^{a_5b_5} \delta^{a_6b_6} + \text{all symm. permutations}) \\ & \times (\delta^{m_1n_1} \delta^{m_2n_2} \delta^{m_3n_3} \delta^{m_4n_4} \delta^{m_5n_5} \delta^{m_6n_6} + \text{all symm. permutations}) \\ & - \tilde{P}^{216} - \tilde{P}^{125} - \tilde{P}^{65} - \tilde{P}^{27} - \tilde{P}^8 - \tilde{P}^1 \end{split}$$

Generate 2->6 phase space::

```
sol.add(dot(p3,p3)==1)
sol.add(dot(p4,p4)==16)
sol.add(dot(p5,p5)==16)
sol.add(dot(p6,p6)==16)
sol.add(dot(p7,p7)==16)
sol.add(dot(p8,p8)==16)
sol.add(p1[0]==4000)
sol.add(p1[1]==0)
sol.add(p1[2]==0)
sol.add(p1[3]==4000)
sol.add(p2[0]==4000)
sol.add(p2[1]==0)
sol.add(p2[2]==0)
sol.add(p2[3]==-4000)
for row in range(4):
  sol.add(p3[row]+p4[row]+p5[row]+p6[row]+p7[row]+p8[row]-p1[row]-p2[row]==0)
```

Summary

- SMT solvers offer powerful techniques for solving complex logical problems
- Applications in particle physics:
 - Automatic generation of orthogonal multiplet bases in SU(N_c)
 - Young tableaux manipulations
 - Construction of multiplet projectors
 - Phase-space generation
 - Simplified Spinor-Helicity formalism
 - ► ...
- Orthobase A Python library for QCD color decompositionusing a novel approach:
 - Efficient algorithms using Z3 solver and FORM
 - Handles large-scale problems (e.g., 100 gluon multiplet decomposition, no hard limit)
- SMT solvers can be very helpful to optimize dealing with the complex logics arising in certain particle physics problems

Thanks for your attention!

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