



A Rust Library For Manipulating Sentential Decision Diagrams

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Motivation

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What is knowledge compilation?

- Knowledge compilation is the process of translating a knowledge base into a target compilation language [3]
- Target compilation language should be tractable and succinct
- Why is it important?
 - Model-based diagnosis & model-checking
 - Explainability in AI & neurosymbolic reasoning
 - Medical diagnostic systems

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Why Sentential Decision Diagrams?

- Tractable and succinct representation
- Strict superset of Ordered Decision Binary Diagrams (OBBDs)
- SDDs are exponentially more succinct than OBDDs [7]

Vtrees

- A vtree for a set of variables Z is a full, rooted binary tree whose leaves are in one-to-one correspondence with the variables in Z [6]
- A vtree dissects a total variable order π if and only if left-to-right traversal of the vtree visits the variables in the same order as π



Figure 1: A chosen vtree dissecting order (A, B, C, D).

X-Partitions

An **X**-partition [2] is a structured way to decompose a Boolean function f with respect to a given variable set **X**. It is a set of pairs (p_i, s_i) such that $f = \bigvee_i (p_i \land s_i)$ where

- Primes form a partition
- Each prime is consistent
- Every pair of distinct primes is mutually exclusive (strong determinism)
- The disjunction of all primes is valid

Sentential Decision Diagrams

- SDD is a rooted, directed acyclic graph characterized by vtrees representing a Boolean function [2]
- Nodes of the graph are either terminals or *X*-partitions branching on formulas
- Can be efficiently queried and combined (when not canonical)

Example I: SDD Normalized for Left-Linear Vtree



Figure 2: SDD representing $f = (A \land B) \lor \neg C$ normalized for left-linear vtree.

Example II: SDD Normalized for Right-Linear Vtree



Figure 3: SDD representing $f = (A \land B) \lor \neg C$ normalized for right-linear vtree.

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Compilation & Minimization Methods

SDDs can be compiled either in a *bottom-up* or *top-down* [5] manner.

- Bottom-up: incremental building of the knowledge base
- Top-down: facts are compiled at once

SDDs can be minimized either *statically* or *dynamically* [1].

- Static minimization: construct appropriate vtree before compilation
- Dynamic minimization: adjust vtree as needed during compilation

sddrs: Bottom-up SDD Compiler

- A bottom-up SDD compiler with dynamic minimization written in Rust¹
- Available as a library² or an executable
- Supports
 - Tractable model counting, model enumeration, equivalence checking, and validity and consistency checking
 - Incremental compilation of facts into canonical SDDs
 - Dynamic minimization (via fragments)
 - Garbage collection

¹https://github.com/jsfpdn/sdd-rs/

²https://crates.io/crates/sddrs

Compiler Architecture



Figure 4: High-level decomposition of the compiler into individual modules. The most important structures and their relationships are presented for each module.

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Dynamic Minimization via Fragments



Figure 5: Exploration of all fragment states using swap and rotate operations. Josef Podaný • A Rust Library For Manipulating Sentential Decision Diagrams • February 3, 2025

Results

Overview of Benchmarks

- Compiled datasets from the SATLIB benchmark suite [4]
- Measured compilation time and size of compiled SDDs
- Benchmarked various configurations of sdd-package, rsdd, and sddrs

Results

| | dataset name | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|--|
| configuration | uf20 | uf50 | uf75 | gcp | plan_a | plan_m | pigeon | |
| sddrs-static-gc-rl rsdd-comp-linear | 0.073 0.002 | × 2.030 | X X | 72.140 0.510 | 0.149 0.002 | × 0.052 | 4.260 0.009 | |
| sdd-package-rl | 0.038 | 12.404 | 2291.530 | 0.494 | 0.169 | 3.032 | 0.264 | |

Table 1: SDD compilation times in seconds.

| | dataset name | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------|------|------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| configuration | uf20 | uf50 | uf75 | gcp | plan_a | plan_m | pigeon | |
| sddrs-static-gc-rl | 288 | x | X | 69732 | 94 | × | 0 | |
| rsdd-comp-linear | 104 | 156 | × | 5674 | 94 | 384 | 0 | |
| sdd-package-rl | 182 | 187 | 1744 | 2196 | 136 | 582 | 0 | |

Table 2: Sizes of compiled SDDs (sums of sizes of X-partitions).

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- Developed a bottom-up compiler for Sentential Decision Diagrams, featuring dynamic minimization and garbage collection
- Designed an extensible API to support user-defined heuristics for both dynamic minimization and garbage collection
- Demonstrated the compiler's competitive performance in specific configurations on smaller datasets

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Library Usage

```
let options = options::SddOptions::builder()
    .vtree_strategy(options::VTreeStrategy::RightLinear)
    .garbage_collection(options::GarbageCollection::Automatic)
    .variables(["A".to_string(), "B".to_string(), "C".to_string()])
    .build();
let manager = SddManager::new(&options);
let a = manager.literal("A", Polarity::Positive).unwrap();
let b = manager.literal("B", Polarity::Positive).unwrap();
let n_c = manager.literal("C", Polarity::Negative).unwrap();
let a_and_bor_nc = manager.disjoin(&manager.conjoin(&a, &b), &m_c);
let model_count = manager.model_count(&a_and_bor_nc);
```

Binary Usage

```
sddrsc \
   --dimacs-path ./datasets/easy.cnf \
   --vtree right-linear \
   --minimize-after-k-clauses 2 \
   --collect-garbage \
   --count-models \
   --enumerate-models \
   --print-statistics \
   --sdd.dot
4
 1
   2 3 4
 0 1 1 1
 1001
 1 1 0 1
 1 1 1 1
compilation time: 148.00us
model count time: 20.00us
sdd size : 10
all sdds : 22
```