

Weighted Model Counting on the GPU by Exploiting Small Treewidth

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Motivation

Model Counting (#SAT)

- Generalizes Boolean satisfiability problem (SAT)
- #SAT: output the number of satisfying assignments
- Various applications in AI and reasoning, e.g.,
 - Bayesian reasoning [Sang et al.'05]
 - Learning preference distributions [Choi et al.'15]
 - Infrastructure reliability [Meel et al.17]
- Computational complexity: #P-hard [Roth'96]

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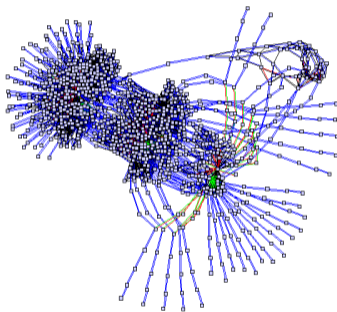
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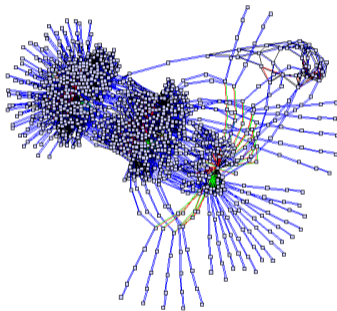
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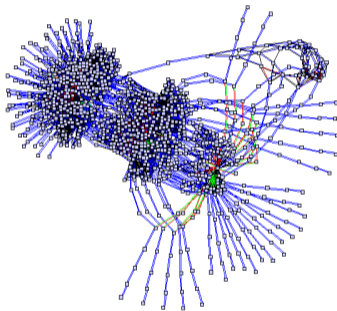
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Topic of the Talk

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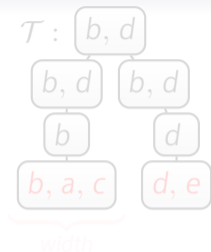
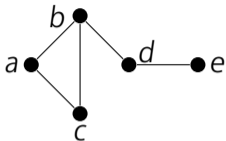


Treewidth

► Definition & Example

- Most prominent graph invariant
- Small treewidth indicates tree-likeness and sparsity
- Can be used to solve #SAT/WMC by defining graph representations of the input formula

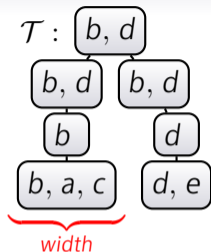
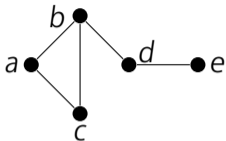
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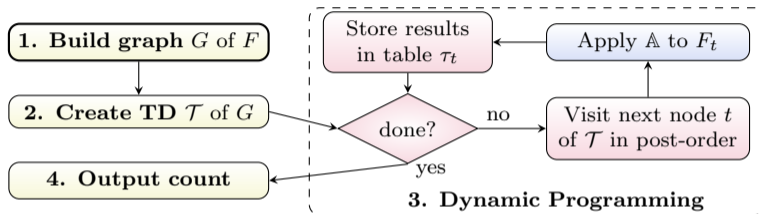
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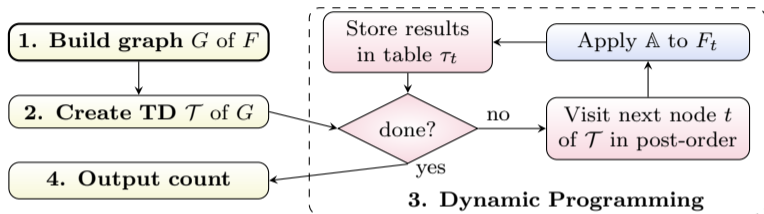
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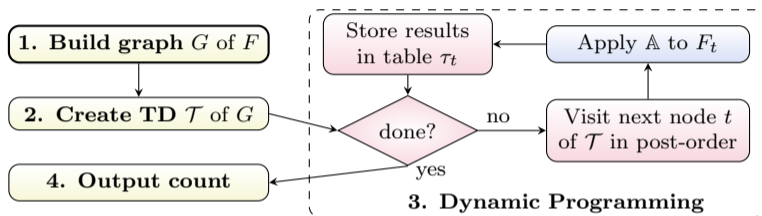
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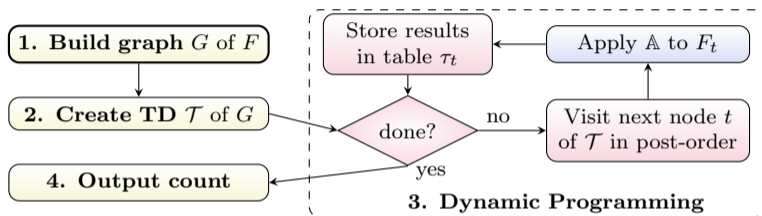
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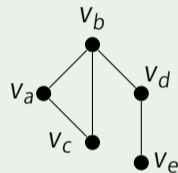
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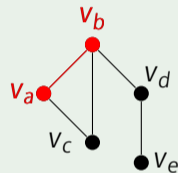
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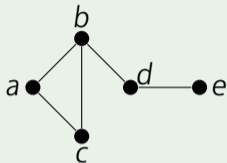
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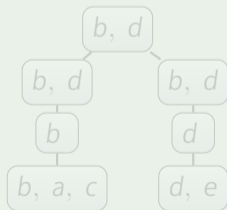
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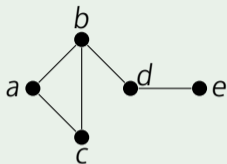
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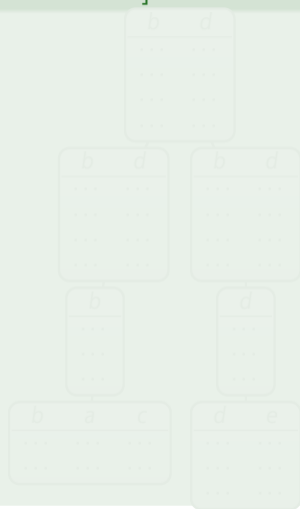
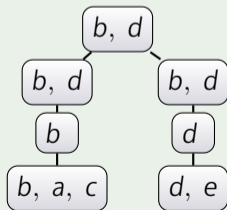
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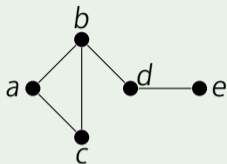
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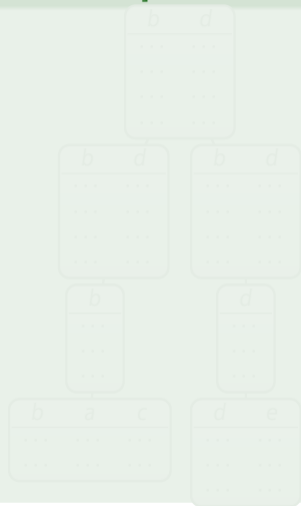
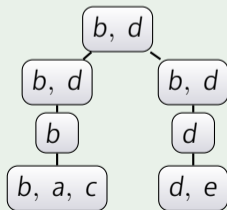
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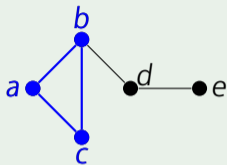
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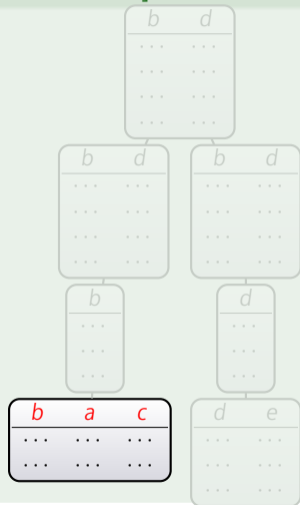
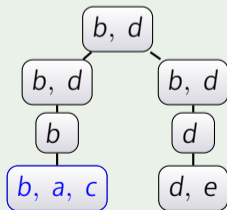
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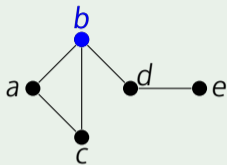
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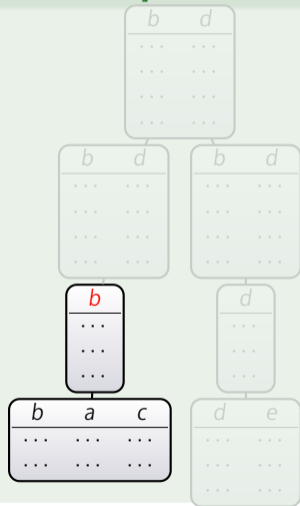
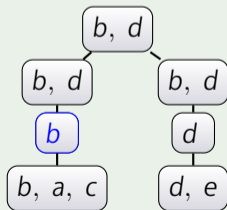
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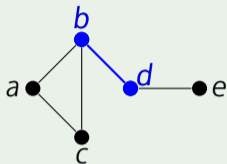
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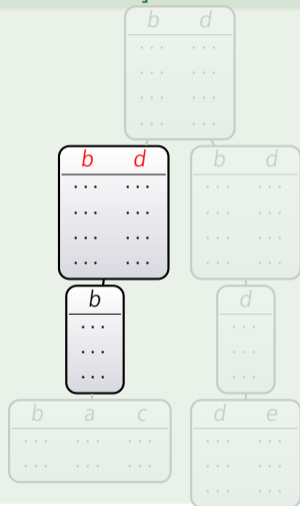
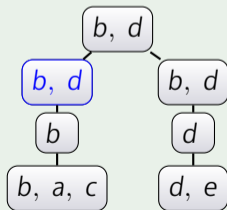
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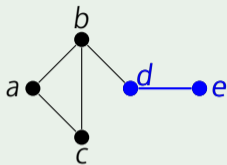
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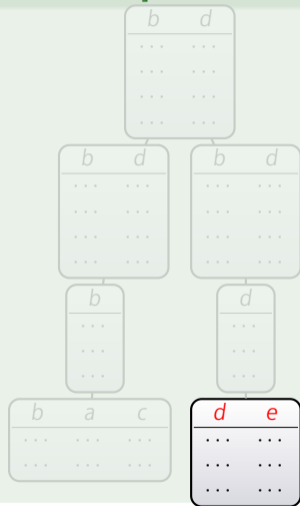
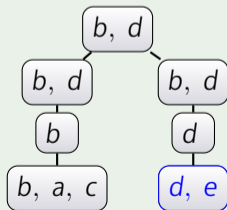
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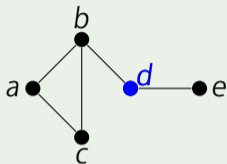
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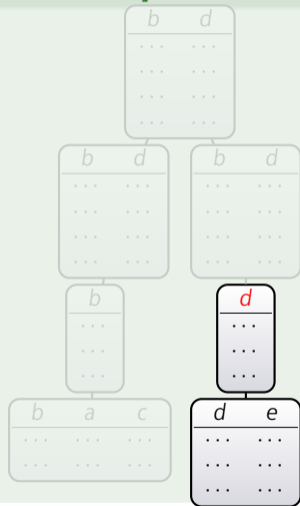
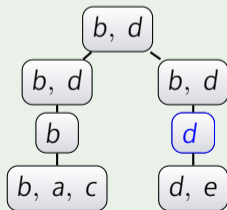
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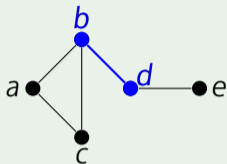
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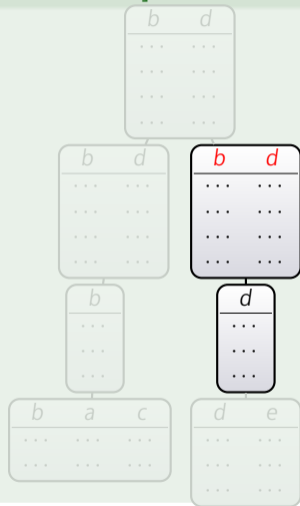
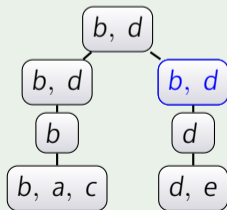
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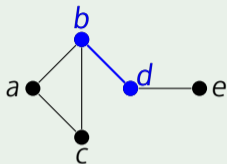
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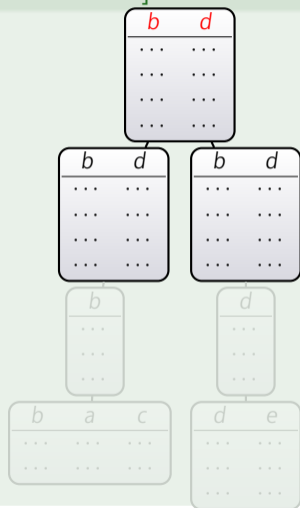
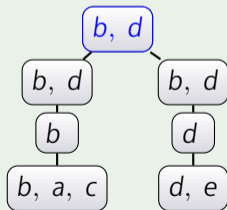
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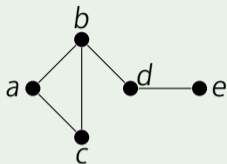
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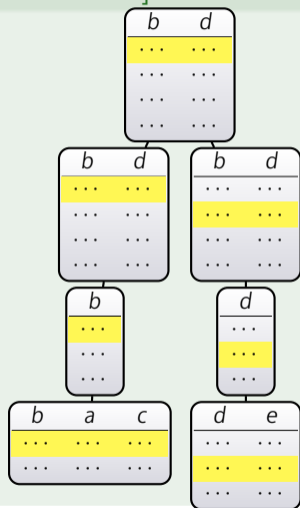
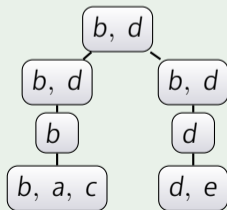
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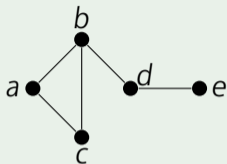
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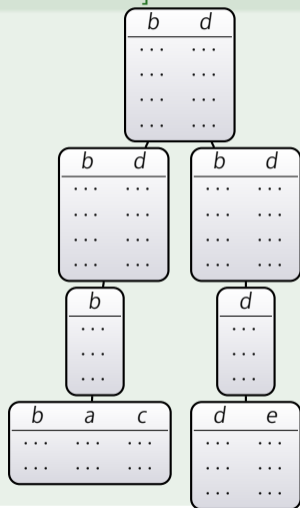
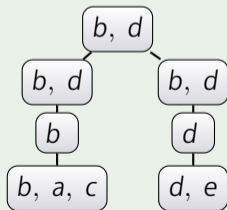
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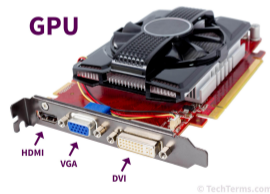
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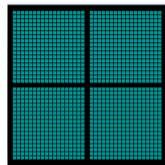
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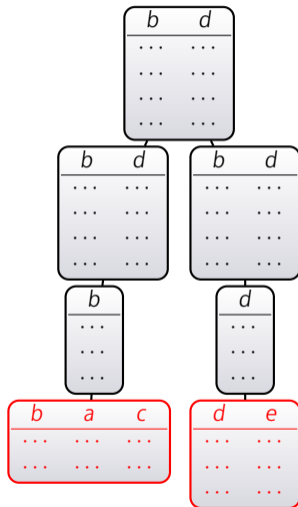
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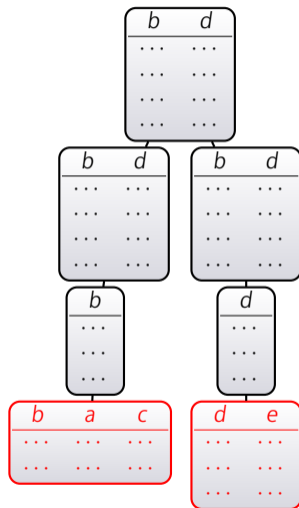
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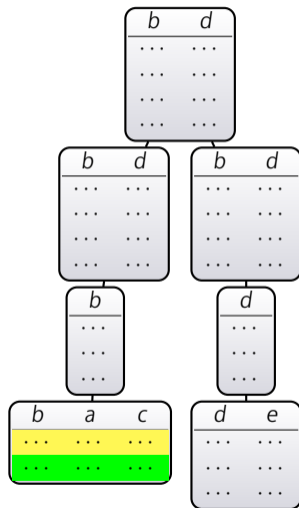
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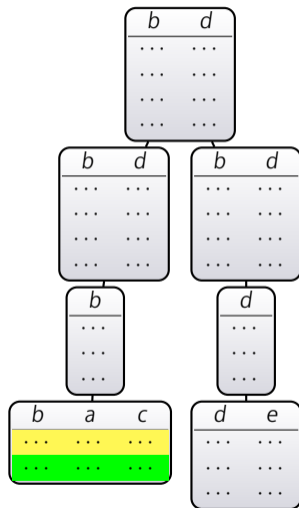
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Implementation (gpuSAT1)

Right hindsight?

- Data structures: a “pixel” represents #solutions (store data as `array`)
- Table merging: merge small bags (< 14)
- Table splitting: split large tables
- Weight: avoid double overflows by factor for #SAT (so it's actually WMC with uniform weights).

Implementation

- OpenCL: vendor and hardware independent computation framework; C++11
- Works for two graph types: primal and incidence graph
- Supports weighted model counting (WMC)

Experimental Work (Naive Implementation)

Instances

- 2585 instances from public benchmarks
- #SAT and WMC

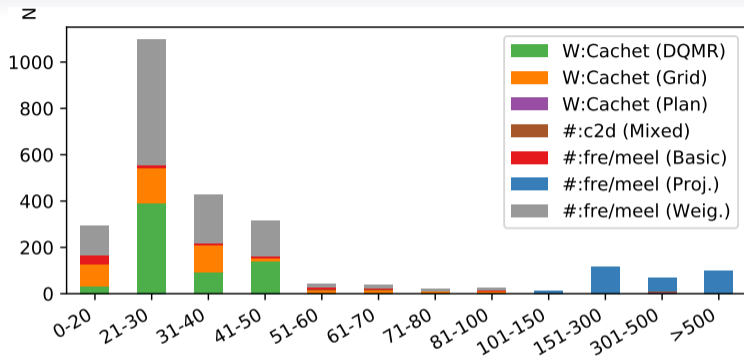
Limits

- Cannot expect to solve instances of high treewidth.

Hardware

- non-GPU solving: cluster of 9 nodes; each 2xE5-2650 CPUs(12cores) 2.2 GHz, 256 GB RAM; disabled HT, kernel 4.4
- GPU-solving: i3-3245 3.4 GHz; 16 GB RAM; GPU: Sapphire Pulse ITX Radeon RX 570 GPU; 1.24 GHz with 32 compute units, 2048 shader units, 4GB VRAM

Distribution of Primal Width



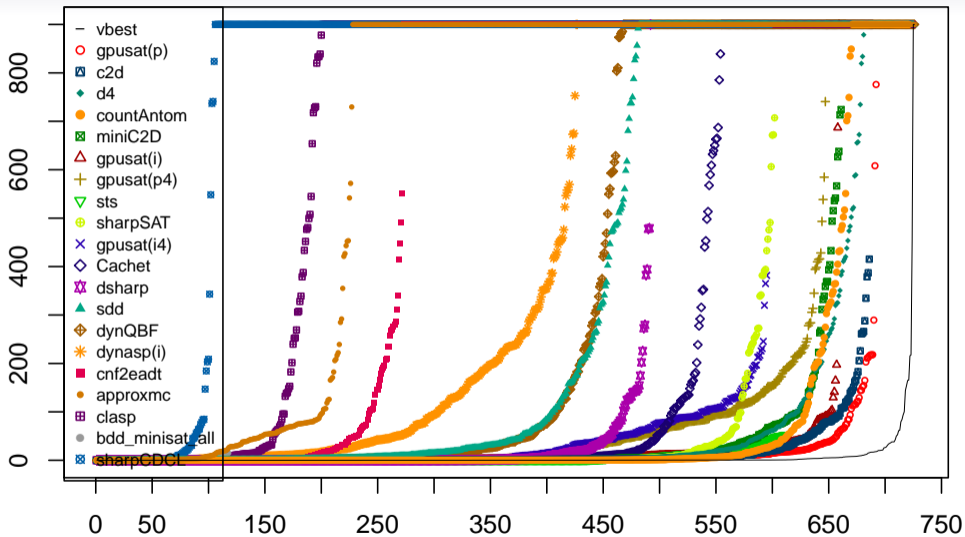
Decomposition Heuristic:

- Runtime well below a second (max. 2.5) 0-40
- Timeout (900s) on 41 instances

⇒ 54% primal treewidth below 30; 70% below 40

Parameterized Algorithms might work...

Solving (Width: 0-30): #SAT



Solving: #SAT

solver	0-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	>60	best	Σ	rank
c2d	164	519	175	116	20	118	120	1112	2
Cachet	133	421	91	109	8	58	13	820	7
d4	169	510	156	119	23	162	191	1139	1
gpusat(p)	169	523	79	104	0	0	88	875	6
miniC2D	167	491	137	103	8	67	2	973	4
sharpSAT	136	465	136	112	11	124	483	984	3
sts	162	448	101	146	10	45	252	912	5

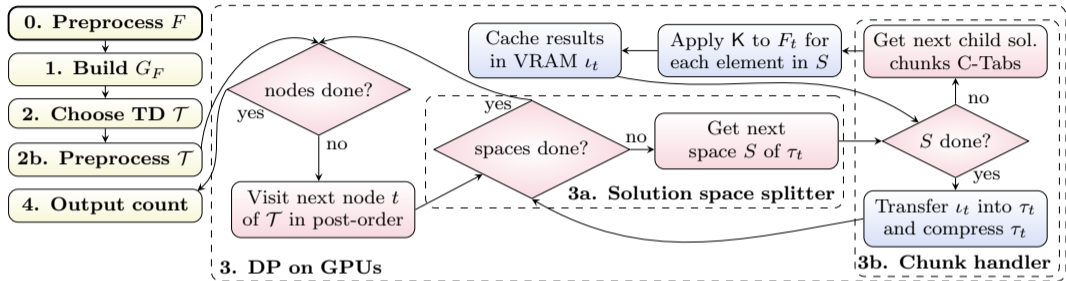
Table: Number of counting instances solved by solver and interval.

Empirical Work (first approach)

Observations

- Implementation is fairly naive
- Still: competitive up to width 30
- Requirement: obtain decompositions fast
- Width was surprisingly small (different for SAT)

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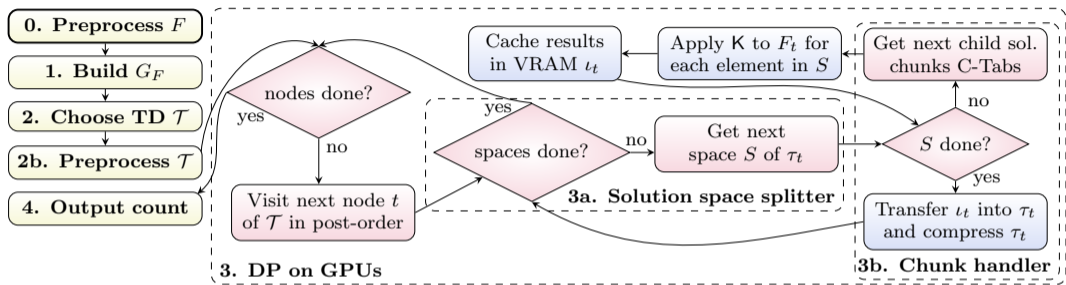
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(#30; minimize max. card. of intersection of bags at node and its children)

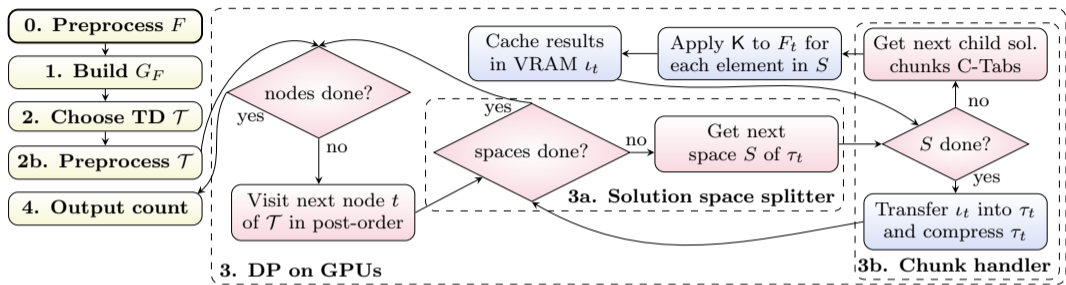
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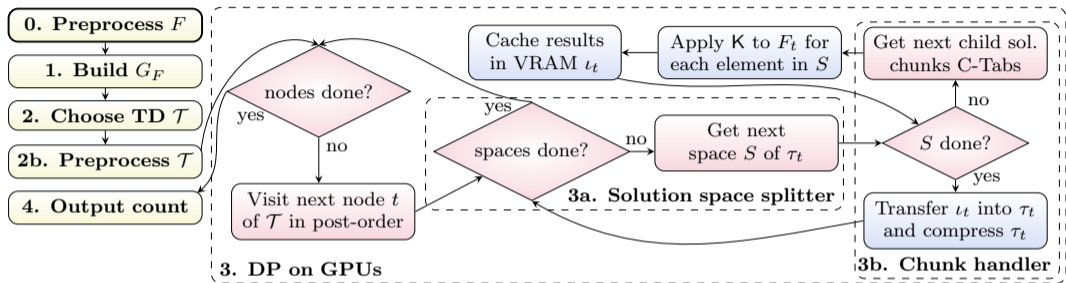
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Disclaimer for theorists: you need to get your hands dirty
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1) Assignment Compression (BST in an Array)

- Continuous sequence 64-bit unsigned integers (cells)
- Cell: empty, index, and value (counter)
- index cells: lower 32 bits index to the next cell (variable \rightarrow 0), upper bits (1)
- Handle Sync by keeping track of the current size
(number of allocated cells; prevent to allocate cell again)

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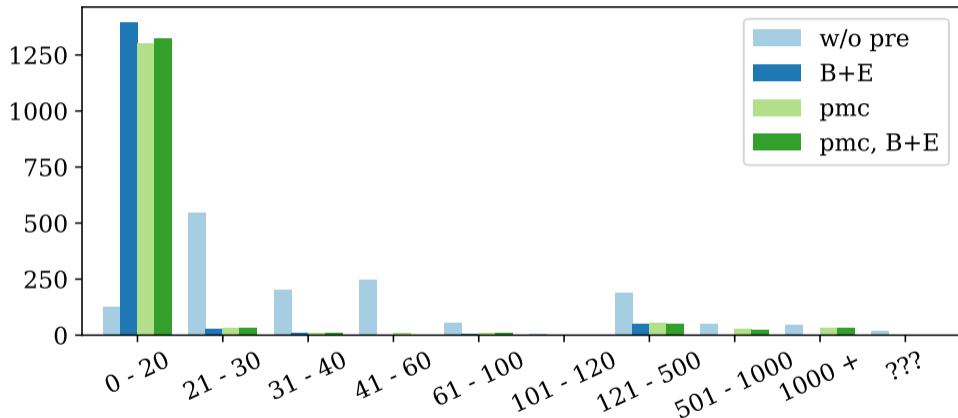
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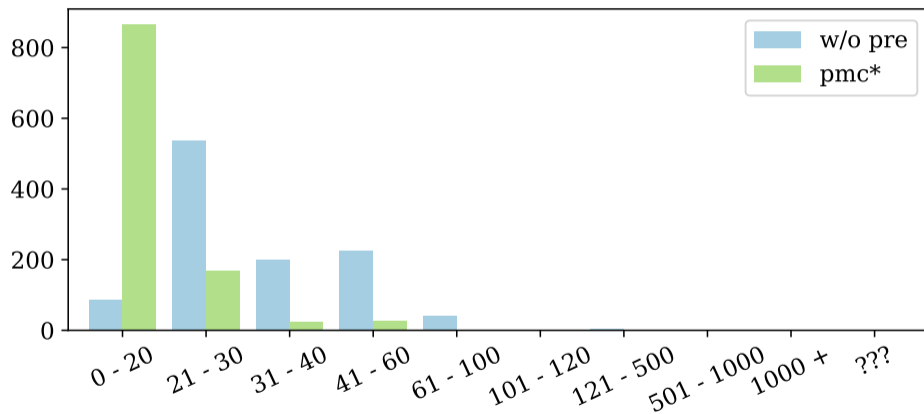
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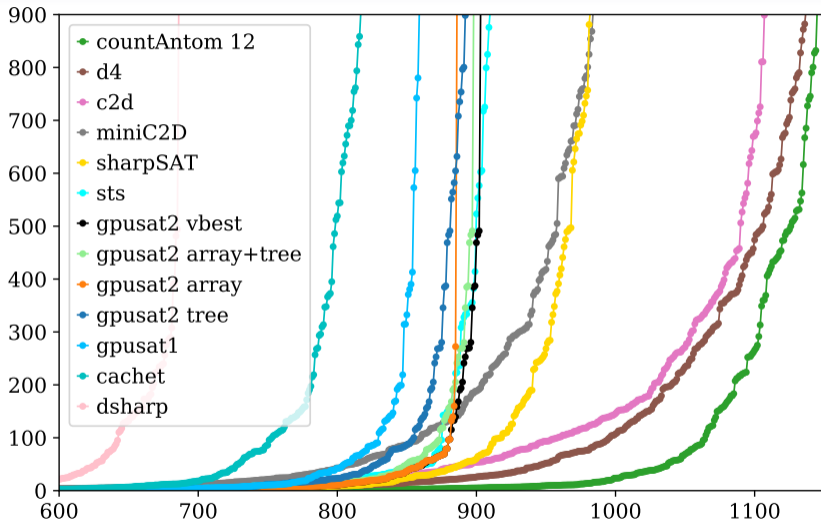
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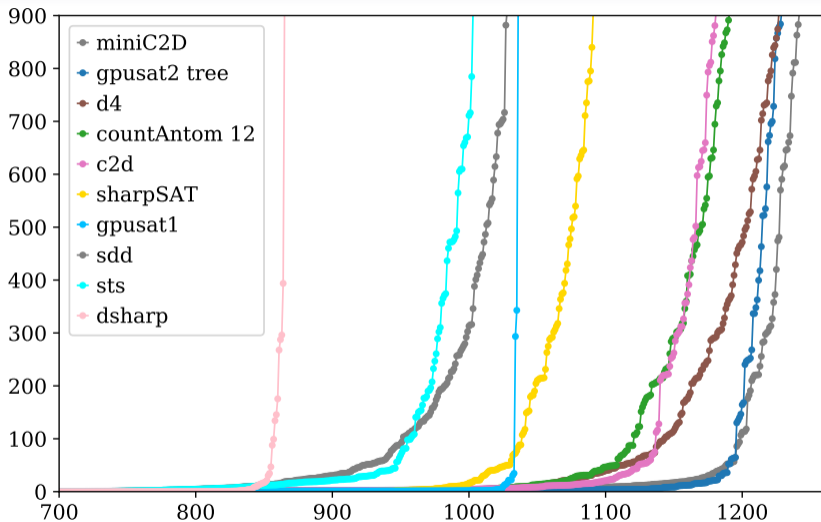


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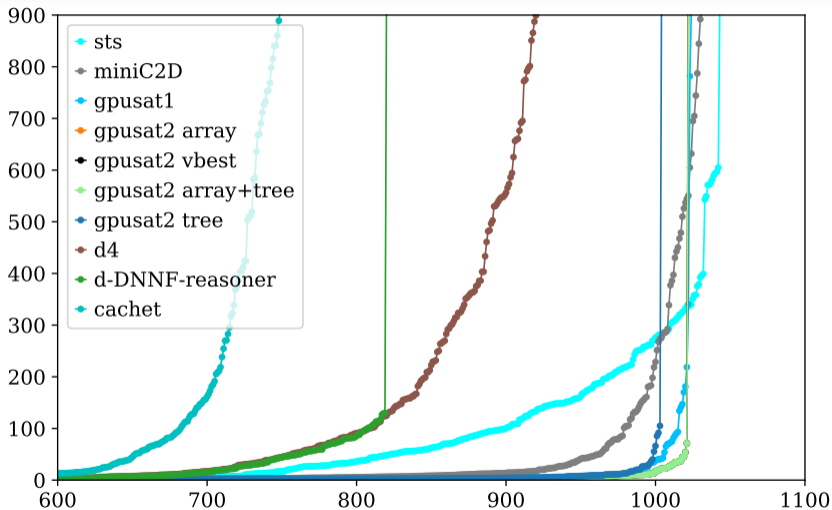


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⇒: After preprocessing #SAT no3, WMC no2

Summary

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- Competitive Implementation for #SAT/WMC solving

Benchmark: Comparing apples and oranges

BUT: you compare parallel and sequential solvers.

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