

Vampire Usage and Demo

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Vampire modes

- ‘Vampire’ mode
 - uses a single specified strategy
- **CASC mode** (`--mode casc`)
 - selects best strategy based on problem characteristics
- **LTB mode** (`--mode casc_ltb`)
 - like CASC, allows solving multiple problems sharing large amounts of axioms
- **Clausify** (`--mode clausify`)
 - converts problem to CNF and outputs
- **Axiom selection** (`--mode axiom_selection`)
 - outputs axioms selected by Sine selection
- **Grounding** (`--mode grounding`)
 - performs grounding of EPR problems
- **Consequence elimination** (`--mode consequence_elimination`)
 - given set of claims, searches for relations between them

CASC Mode

- Usually the best for proving theorems
- First scan problem to determine characteristics
 - Unit, EPR, Horn, equality, large
- Then assign problem into one class
 - currently 43 classes
- Each class has a sequence of strategies that should solve problems in it
- Obtaining the strategies
 - run random strategies on a cluster of computers
 - take the best performing ones and try to further improve by doing slight changes
 - optimization techniques find the best sequence

LTB Mode

- Strategy selection like in CASC mode
- Input is a batch file according to CASC LTB specification
- First parse shared axioms
- Then add them into each of the problems
 - save on expensive parsing
- Supports multiprocessing
 - running multiple strategies in parallel

```
% SZS start BatchConfiguration
division.category LTB.SMO
output.required Assurance
output.desired Proof Answer
limit.time.problem.wc 60
% SZS end BatchConfiguration
% SZS start BatchIncludes
include('Axioms/CSR003+2.ax').
include('Axioms/CSR003+5.ax').
% SZS end BatchIncludes
% SZS start BatchProblems
/TPTP/Problems/CSR/CSR083+3.p /outputs/CSR083+3
/TPTP/Problems/CSR/CSR075+3.p /outputs/CSR075+3
/TPTP/Problems/CSR/CSR082+3.p /outputs/CSR082+3
/TPTP/Problems/CSR/CSR086+3.p /outputs/CSR086+3
/TPTP/Problems/CSR/CSR091+3.p /outputs/CSR091+3
/TPTP/Problems/CSR/CSR092+3.p /outputs/CSR092+3
% SZS end BatchProblems
```

Axiom Selection Mode

- Takes and outputs TPTP formulas/CNF
- Can be used as filter

```
cat big_problem.tptp | vampire --mode axiom_selection | other_tool
```

- Performs Sine axiom selection
- Supports the Sine options (see CADE paper)
 - sine_tolerance (float >=1)
 - sine_depth (0,1,...)

Clausify Mode

- Converts TPTP formulas problem to CNF
 - supports typed formulas, arithmetic, answer literals
- Allows application of various Vampire preprocessing rules
 - axiom selection, transforming predicate definitions (Inlining, merging, removing unused), naming, splitting,...

Grounding mode

- Converts EPR problem into propositional
- Input TPTP, output DIMACS
- Use splitting to reduce amount of variables in clauses (and therefore number of generated propositional clauses)

```
fof(a1,axiom, p(X,X)).  
fof(a2,axiom, p(X,Y) => p(Y,X)).  
fof(a3,axiom, p(a,b)).  
fof(a3,axiom, ~p(b,c)).
```

```
p cnf 9 14  
% 1: p(c,c)  
% 2: p(b,b)  
% 3: p(a,a)  
% 4: p(c,b)  
% 5: p(b,c)  
% 6: p(c,a)  
% 7: p(a,c)  
% 8: p(b,a)  
% 9: p(a,b)  
% Grounding p(X0,X1) | ~p(X1,X0)  
3 -3 0  
9 -8 0  
7 -6 0  
8 -9 0  
2 -2 0  
5 -4 0  
6 -7 0  
4 -5 0  
1 -1 0  
% 9: p(a,b)  
% Grounding p(a,b)  
9 0  
% 5: p(b,c)  
% Grounding ~p(b,c)  
-5 0  
% 1: p(c,c)  
% 2: p(b,b)  
% 3: p(a,a)  
% Grounding p(X0,X0)  
3 0  
2 0  
1 0  
0
```

Consequence Elimination Mode

- Given a set of claims (possibly with underlying theory), attempts to **discover which claims follow from others**

```
fof(c1, claim, a=>b).  
fof(c2, claim, b=>c).  
fof(c3, claim, a=>c).
```

```
# vampire --mode consequence_elimination
```

Pure cf clause: $c_2 \mid c_1$

Pure cf clause: $\neg c_1 \mid c_3 \mid \neg c_2$

Consequence found: c_3

c_3 is a consequence of other claims

clauses stating relations between claims:

$c_2 \mid c_1$

- both c_1 and c_2 cannot be false

$\neg c_1 \mid c_3 \mid \neg c_2$

- can be written as

$c_3 :- c_1, c_2$

API

- Vampire has an API for building, manipulating, preprocessing and clausifying formulas

```
FormulaBuilder api;

Var xv = api.var("Var");
Term x = api.varTerm(xv);
Predicate p=api.predicate("p",1);
Predicate q=api.predicate("q",0);

Formula fp=api.formula(p,x);
Formula fq=api.formula(q);
Formula fQpx=api.formula(FormulaBuilder::FORALL, xv, fp);
Formula fQpx0q=api.formula(FormulaBuilder::OR, fQpx, fq);

AnnotatedFormula af=api.annotatedFormula(fQpx0q,FormulaBuilder::CONJECTURE, "conj1");
Problem prb;
prb.addFormula(af);
prb.output(cout);

Problem cprb=prb.clausify(0, false, Problem::INL_OFF, false);
cprb.output(cout);
```

fof(conj1,conjecture,
((![Var] : (p(Var))) | q)).

cnf(conj1_2,negated_conjecture,
~p(sK0_Var)).

cnf(conj1_1,negated_conjecture,
~q).

Solution Output

- Proof
 - may use TPTP format
- Interpolant (see Session 3)
- Answer
 - for existentially quantified conjectures
- Model
 - currently only for certain strategies on EPR problems

Proofs

2_01_proof_ex.tptp:

```
cnf(commutativity, axiom, f(X,Y)=f(Y,X) ).  
cnf(identity, axiom, f(i,X)=X ).  
fof(c, conjecture, (! [X]: f(j,X)=X => j=i ) ).
```

22. **\$false** (2:0) [subsumption resolution 16,7]

7. $i \neq j$ (0:3) [cnf transformation 5]

5. $\exists [X_0] : f(j,X_0) = X_0 \ \& \ i \neq j$ [ennf transformation 4]

4. $\neg(\exists [X_0] : f(j,X_0) = X_0 \Rightarrow i = j)$ [negated conjecture 3]

3. $\exists [X_0] : f(j,X_0) = X_0 \Rightarrow i = j$ [input]

16. $i = j$ (2:3) [superposition 8,2]

2. $f(i,X_0) = X_0$ (0:5) [input]

8. $f(X_0,j) = X_0$ (1:5) [superposition 1,6]

6. $f(j,X_0) = X_0$ (0:5) [cnf transformation 5]

1. $f(X_0,X_1) = f(X_1,X_0)$ (0:7) [input]

```
fof(f22,plain,(  
    $false),  
    inference(subsumption_resolution,[],[f16,f7])).  
fof(f7,plain,(  
    i != j),  
    inference(cnf_transformation,[],[f5])).  
fof(f5,plain,(  
    ! [X0] : f(j,X0) = X0 & i != j),  
    inference(ennf_transformation,[],[f4])).  
fof(f4,negated_conjecture,(  
    ~(! [X0] : f(j,X0) = X0 => i = j)),  
    file('PROBLEM3.p',unknown)).  
fof(f3,axiom,(  
    ! [X0] : f(j,X0) = X0 => i = j),  
    file('PROBLEM3.p',unknown)).  
fof(f16,plain,(  
    i = j),  
    inference(superposition,[],[f8,f2])).  
fof(f2,axiom,(  
    ( ! [X0] : (f(i,X0) = X0) )),  
    file('PROBLEM3.p',unknown)).  
fof(f8,plain,(  
    ( ! [X0] : (f(X0,j) = X0) )),  
    inference(superposition,[],[f1,f6])).  
fof(f6,plain,(  
    ( ! [X0] : (f(j,X0) = X0) )),  
    inference(cnf_transformation,[],[f5])).  
fof(f1,axiom,(  
    ( ! [X0,X1] : (f(X0,X1) = f(X1,X0)) )),  
    file('PROBLEM3.p',unknown)).
```

Proofs

Vampire native format:

```
11. ~female(X0) | ~from_venus(X0) | truthteller(X0) (0:6) [input]
48_2. $false | (~$bdd4 & ($bdd3 & $bddnode1)) (2:0) [merge 48_3,107_1]
BDD definition: $bddnode1 = ($bdd2 ? $bdd1 : ~$bdd1)
```

TPTP proof format:

```
fof(f11,axiom,(  
  ( ! [X0] : (~female(X0) | ~from_venus(X0) | truthteller(X0)) ),  
  file('Problems/PUZ/PUZ007-1.p',unknown)).  
fof(f48_2,plain,(  
  $false | ( ( $bdd4 => $false) & ( ~$bdd4 => ( ( $bdd3 => ( ( $bdd2 => $bdd1) & ( ~$bdd2 => ~$bdd1 ) ) & ( ~$bdd3 => $false ) ) ) ),  
  inference(merge,[],[f48_3,f107_1])).
```

LaTeX output:

[11, input]

$$\neg \text{female}() \vee \neg \text{from_venus}() \vee \text{truthteller}()$$

[48₃, 107₁ → 48₂, merge]

$$\frac{\square \vee n_1}{\frac{\square \vee (\neg b_4 \vee b_1)}{\square \vee (\neg b_4 \wedge (b_3 \wedge n_0))}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n_0 &\leftrightarrow (b_2 ? b_1 : \neg b_1) \\ n_1 &\leftrightarrow (b_4 ? (\neg b_3 \wedge (\neg b_2 \wedge \neg b_1)) : (b_3 \wedge n_0)) \end{aligned}$$

Question Answering

2_02_answer_ex.tptp:

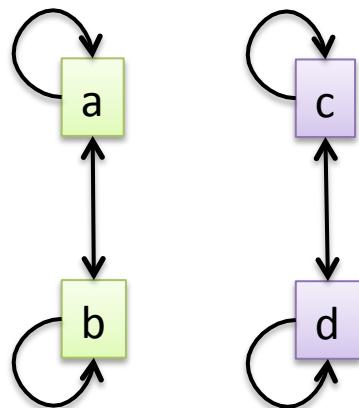
```
fof(a1,axiom,son("jimmy","jane")).  
fof(a2,axiom,son("johny","jane")).  
fof(a3,axiom, (son(X,Z) & son(Y,Z) & X!=Y) => brother(X,Y)).  
fof(q,question, ?[X] : brother("jimmy", X)).
```

```
# vampire PROBLEM.p -question_answerer answer_literal  
% Szs answers Tuple [["johny"]] for PROBLEM2  
23. $false (0:0) [unit resulting resolution 22,21]  
21. ~sP0_ans("johny") (1:2) [resolution 20,15]  
15. ~brother("jimmy",X0) | ~sP0_ans(X0) (0:5) [cnf transformation 10]  
10. ! [X0] : (~sP0_ans(X0) | ~brother("jimmy",X0))[ennf transformation 6]  
6. ~? [X0] : (sP0_ans(X0) & brother("jimmy",X0))[answer literal 5]  
5. ~? [X0] : brother("jimmy",X0)[negated conjecture 4]  
4. ? [X0] : brother("jimmy",X0)[input]  
20. brother("jimmy","johny") (0:3) [distinct equality removal 19]  
19. "jimmy" = "johny" | brother("jimmy","johny") (2:6) [resolution 16,13]  
...
```

Model Output

2_03_model_ex.tptp:

```
fof(a1,axiom, p(X,X)).  
fof(a2,axiom, p(X,Y) => p(Y,X)).  
fof(a3,axiom, (p(X,Y) & p(Y,Z)) => p(X,Z)).  
fof(a4,axiom, p(a,b)).  
fof(a5,axiom, p(c,d)).  
fof(a6,axiom, ~p(b,c)).
```



```
# vampire PROBLEM.p -sa inst_gen -updr off  
Refutation not found!  
fof(model1,interpretation_domain,  
    ! [X] : ( X = "d" | X = "c" | X = "b" | X = "a" ) ).  
fof(model2,interpretation_terms,  
    ( b = "b" & d = "d" & a = "a" & c = "c" ) ).  
fof(model3,interpretation_atoms,  
    ( p("c","d") &  
      p("d","c") &  
      ~p("b","d") &  
      ~p("d","b") &  
      ~p("b","c") &  
      ~p("c","b") &  
      p("d","d") &  
      p("c","c") &  
      p("a","b") &  
      ~p("a","c") &  
      ~p("c","a") &  
      p("b","b") &  
      p("a","a") &  
      ~p("a","d") &  
      ~p("d","a") &  
      p("b","a") ) ).
```

Input Language

- Sorts
 - `tff(list_type,type,(
 list: $tType)).`
 - `tff(nil_type,type,(
 nil: list)).`
 - `tff(cons_type,type,(
 cons: ($int * list) > list)).`
- If-then-else (both for terms and formulas)

`tff(c1,axiom, $itef(p & q, ~p | ~q, p & q))
sP0 <=> (p & q)
((p & q) & ~sP0) | ((~p | ~q) & sP0)`

`tff(c2,axiom, $itet(p,a,b) != a & p).
$itef(p,sG0(X0,X1) = X0,sG0(X0,X1) = X1)
sG0(a,b) != a & p`

Input Language

- Let...in
 - inside terms or formulas
 - assigning to functions or predicates

```
tff(c1,axiom, $lettt(f(X),g(X),f(a)) != g(a) ).  
g(a) != g(a)
```

```
tff(c2,axiom, $letff(p(X), q(X)|r(X), p(c)) & ~q(c) & ~r(c) ).  
(q(c) | r(c)) & ~q(c) & ~r(c)
```

```
tff(c3,axiom, $lettf(f(X), g(X), p(f(X))) & ~p(g(X)) )  
! [X1] : (p(g(X1)) & ~p(g(X1)))
```

```
tff(c4,axiom, $letft(p(X),q,$itet(p(a),a,b)) != $itet(q,a,b) ).  
$itef(q,sG0(X0,X1) = X0,sG0(X0,X1) = X1)  
$itef(q,sG1(X0,X1) = X0,sG1(X0,X1) = X1)  
sG0(a,b) != sG1(a,b)
```

Arithmetic

- TFA arithmetic syntax specified in the TPTP standard
 - integers, rationals, reals
- Currently we
 - add axioms for the interpreted symbols present in the problem
 - evaluate interpreted expressions with numeric arguments
 - e.g. $10 < 5+3 \rightarrow 10 < 8 \rightarrow \perp$

```
2_04_arith_ex.tptp:  
tff(f_type,type,(  
  f: $int > $int )).  
  
tff(integers,axiom,  
  ?[Y:$int] : ![X:$int] : ( f(X)=$sum(X,Y) ) ).  
  
tff(integers,conjecture,  
  ![X:$int,Y:$int] : ( $less(f(X),f(Y)) <=> $less(X,Y) ) ).
```

```
2_05_arith_answer.tptp:  
tff(integers,question,  
  ?[X:$int] : ( $product(X,X)=$sum(X,X) & X!=0 )).  
  
% Szs status Theorem for alt_2_05_arith_answer_ex  
% Szs answers Tuple [[2]|_] for alt_2_05_arith_answer_ex  
% Szs output start Proof for alt_2_05_arith_answer_ex  
450. $false (0:0) [unit resulting resolution 449,448]  
448. ~sP0_ans(2) (0:2) [distinct equality removal 447]  
447. 0 = -1 | ~sP0_ans(2) (8:5) [trivial inequality removal 446]  
446. 4 != 4 | 0 = -1 | ~sP0_ans(2) (8:8) [evaluation 445]  
445. $product(2,2) != $uminus(-4) | 0 = -1 | ~sP0_ans(2) (8:11)  
  [evaluation 444]  
444. $product($uminus(-2),$uminus(-2)) != $uminus($sum(-2,-2))  
  | $sum(1,-2) = 0 | ~sP0_ans($uminus(-2)) (8:18) [evaluation 443]  
...  
...
```

Preprocessing

- Eliminate if-then-else and let...in terms and formulas
- Sine selection
- Predicate definitions and EPR
 - Skolemization of definitions such as “ $p(X) \Leftrightarrow F[X]$ ” introduces non-constant functions
 - if all occurrences of $p(X)$ are ground, this is not necessary
 - blind inlining may be infeasible (exponential blow-up)
 - Vampire has several rules to deal with this situation
- Removal of trivial predicates
 - E.g. “ $p(X) \mid \neg p(b)$ ” “ $p(a)$ ”
- Equivalent predicate discovery, naming, splitting, detecting Horn structure,...

Strategies

- **Saturation** (**Discount**, **Otter**, **LRS**)
 - splitting (backtracking, without backtracking)
 - BDDs (to represent propositional predicates)
 - global subsumption resolution
 - unit-resulting resolution
- Tabulation
- Instantiation
 - InstGen calculus
- Instantiation and **saturation** can run in parallel
 - **saturation** clauses are used in the **InstGen** literal selection
 - global subsumption resolution indexes are shared

New symbol introduction

- Some Vampire rules may introduce **new symbols**
 - in certain applications (**interpolation**) this is not desirable
 - some such rules cannot be disabled (**skolemization**), others can
- **BDDs** (introducing prop. predicates for BDD variables)
--forced_options propositional_to_bdd=off
- **Splitting** (introducing prop. predicates for decision points)
--forced_options splitting=off
- Other rules
equality_proxy, **general_splitting**, **inequality_splitting**
- **Naming** introduces new predicates to avoid exponential blow-up during clausification
 - setting naming to larger values will lead to less introduced names, 0 disables it
naming=32000
naming=0
naming=8 (default)
- To disable all of the above
--forced_options
propositional_to_bdd=off:splitting=off:equality_proxy=off:
general_splitting=off:inequality_splitting=0:naming=0

Overview

Usage	Supported input	Solving strategies
Single strategy	Sorts	Saturation
CASC mode	Arithmetic	Tabulation
LTB	If-then-else	InstGen
Clausifier	Let...in	
Axiom selection	Solution output	Preprocessing
Consequence elimination	Proof	Sine selection
Grounding	Interpolant	EPR restoring
API	Answer	Trivial predicate removal
	Model	Inlining definitions
		...