

MaxRoster: Solver Description

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Abstract—In this document, we briefly describe the techniques employed by the MaxRoster solver participating in MaxSAT competition 2017.

I. INTRODUCTION

MaxRoster participates in Incomplete Track. MaxRoster has two engines, one is local search solver Ramp and another is MapleSAT with CHB. First, Ramp is used for 6 seconds and then the complete MaxSAT algorithm starts using MapleSAT. Our aim is to make a feasible solution better, though it has the ability of getting an optimum solution.

II. IMPLEMENTATION

Weighted Instances:

For weighted instances, either an incremental version of OLL algorithm or a model-based algorithm is used. Initially, MaxRoster makes a call to the SAT solver using solely the hard clauses. If SAT, the cost of this model represents an initial upper bound on the MaxSAT solution. The ratio of the cost mainly determines which algorithm should be invoked later. In a model-based algorithm, we implemented special clause counting for inputs with the same weight in MapleSAT to address large and different weights for the instance.

Unweighted Instances:

For unweighted instances, either an incremental version of MCU3 algorithm or a model-based algorithm is used. Initially, the MCU3 algorithm is invoked. If a predefined timeout occurs in the process, then MaxRoster switches to a model-based algorithm dynamically.

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