

# Resolution-Based Certificate Extraction for QBF (Tool Presentation)

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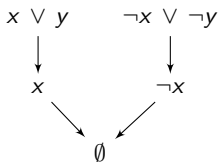
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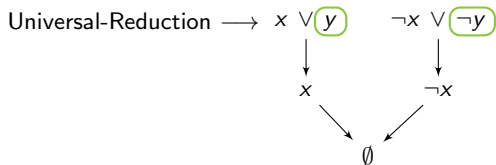
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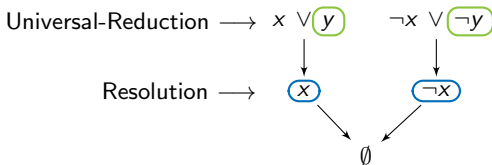


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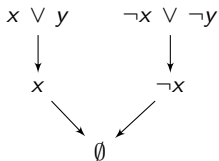
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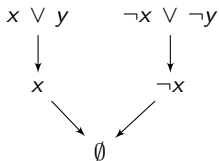
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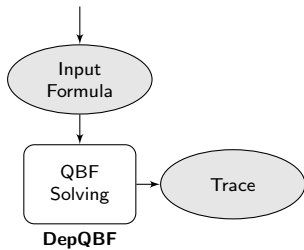
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## Our Work

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- resolution-based certificate extraction and validation
- for true and false QBF

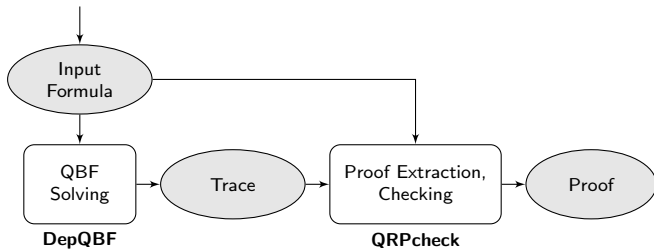
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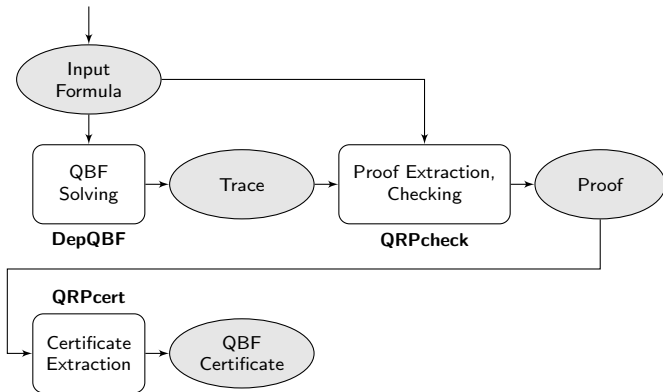
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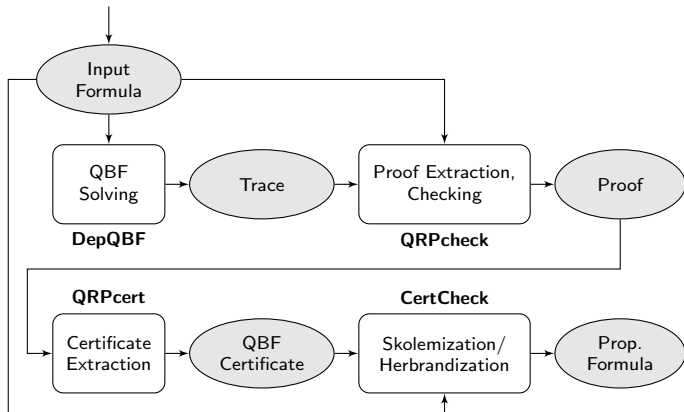
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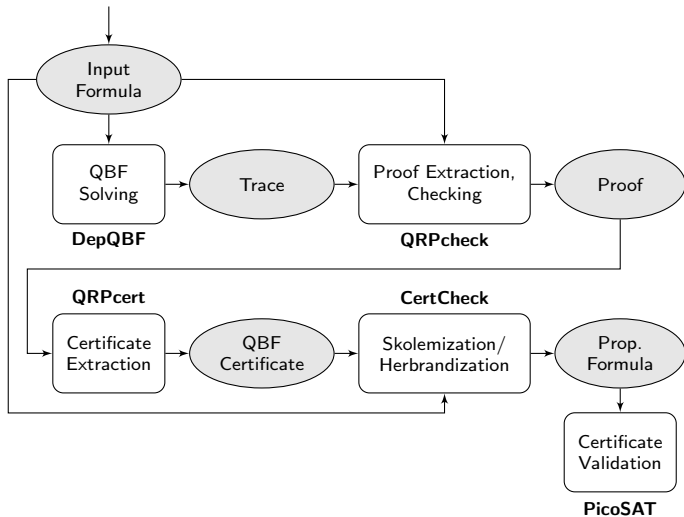
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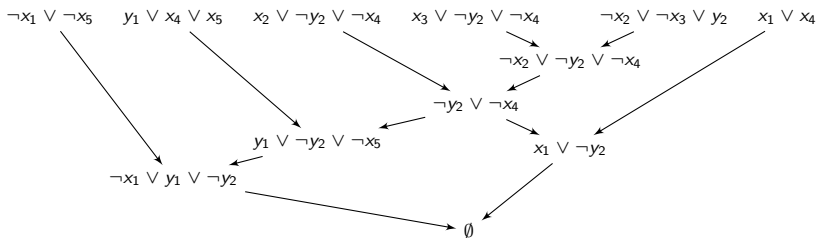
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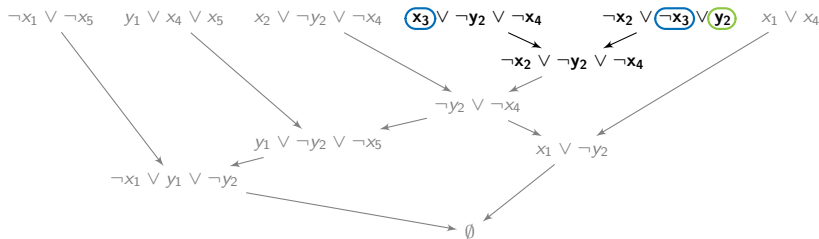
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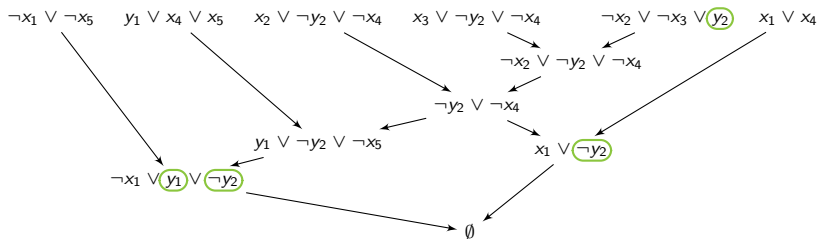
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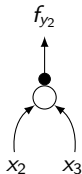
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$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_{y_1}(x_1) = \neg x_1 \\ f_{y_2}(x_1, x_3) = \neg x_2 \vee \neg x_3 \end{array} \right\} \text{Certificate}$$

## Extracted Certificate: AIG Representation



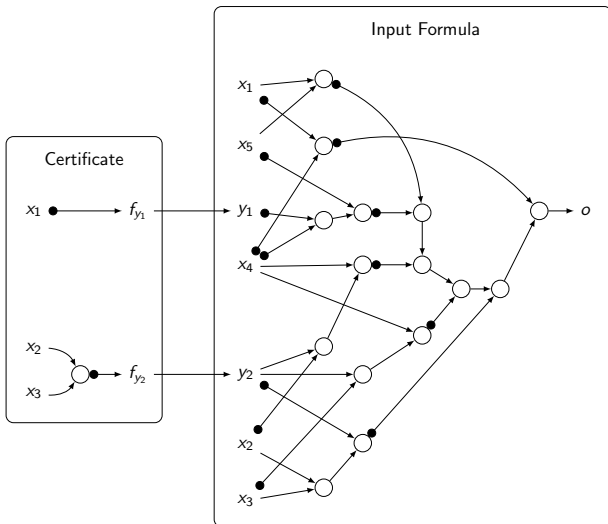
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$$\begin{aligned} f_{y2}(x_2, x_3) &= \neg x_2 \vee \neg x_3 \\ &= \neg(x_2 \wedge x_3) \end{aligned}$$

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### ④ Certificate Validation

- out of 337 skolemized/herbrandized formulas, 275 checked successfully
- 45 (17) certificates not validated due to memory (time) out
  - out of these 62, 57 instances were satisfiable
- > 70% of the total runtime

## Summary

- complete and solver-independent framework
- certification and validation of true and false QBF
- certificates for over 90% of solved instances extracted  
→ 100% if memory limit is lifted
- over 80% of all extracted certificates validated
- certificate validation is still challenging

## Future Work

- optimize certificate validation process  
→ employ incremental SAT-checking
- support for advanced dependency schemes  
(key feature of DepQBF)

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### Runtime Overview

	Instances				Total Time [s]			
	sv	ch	ex	va	DepQBF	QRPcheck	QRPcert	PicoSAT
sat	157	153	143	86	701.8	80.1	30.9	3247.0
unsat	205	195	194	189	4241.9	1011.5	86.8	1090.0
<b>total</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>4943.7</b>	<b>1091.7</b>	<b>117.6</b>	<b>4337.0</b>

### Comparison of Proof, Certificate, Prop. Formula Sizes

	Proof				Certificate		Prop. Formula			
	vertices		literals		AND-Gates		variables		clauses	
	avg	med	avg	med	avg	med	avg	med	avg	med
sat	308k	1k	117M	626k	20M	24k	20M	62k	59M	183k
unsat	135k	2k	14M	146k	170k	193	336k	23k	846k	55k
<b>total</b>	<b>211k</b>	<b>2k</b>	<b>60M</b>	<b>175k</b>	<b>8M</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>8M</b>	<b>28k</b>	<b>25M</b>	<b>71k</b>

### Certificate Statistics

	In	Out	AND-Gates			AND-Gates (shared) [%]		
	avg.	avg.	max.	avg.	med.	max.	avg.	med.
sat	125	3k	147M	20M	24k	98.1	65.2	66.8
unsat	20k	95	10M	170k	193	49.5	23.0	23.7
<b>total</b>	<b>12k</b>	<b>1k</b>	<b>147M</b>	<b>8M</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>98.1</b>	<b>40.9</b>	<b>46.6</b>