

# Enumerating Infeasibility: Finding Multiple MUSes Quickly

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## Contributions

- 1 MARCO: Novel, efficient algorithm for MUS/IIS enumeration.
- 2 POLO: Framework for analyzing/solving infeasibility analysis problems.  
(Both constraint-agnostic.)

# Outline

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# Definitions

## “Characteristic Subsets” of an infeasible constraint set $C$

**MUS** Minimal Unsatisfiable Subset

*aka Irreducible Inconsistent Subsystem (IIS).*

$M \subseteq C$  s.t.  $M$  is UNSAT and  $\forall c \in M : M \setminus \{c\}$  is SAT

**MSS** Maximal Satisfiable Subset

a generalization of MaxSAT / MaxFS.

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**MCS** Minimal Correction Set

the complement of some MSS;

removal yields a satisfiable MSS (“corrects” the infeasibility).

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Example (Constraint set  $C$ , Boolean SAT)

$$C = \left\{ \begin{array}{cccc} (a) & , & (\neg a \vee b) & , & (\neg b) & , & (\neg a) \\ 1 & & 2 & & 3 & & 4 \end{array} \right\}$$

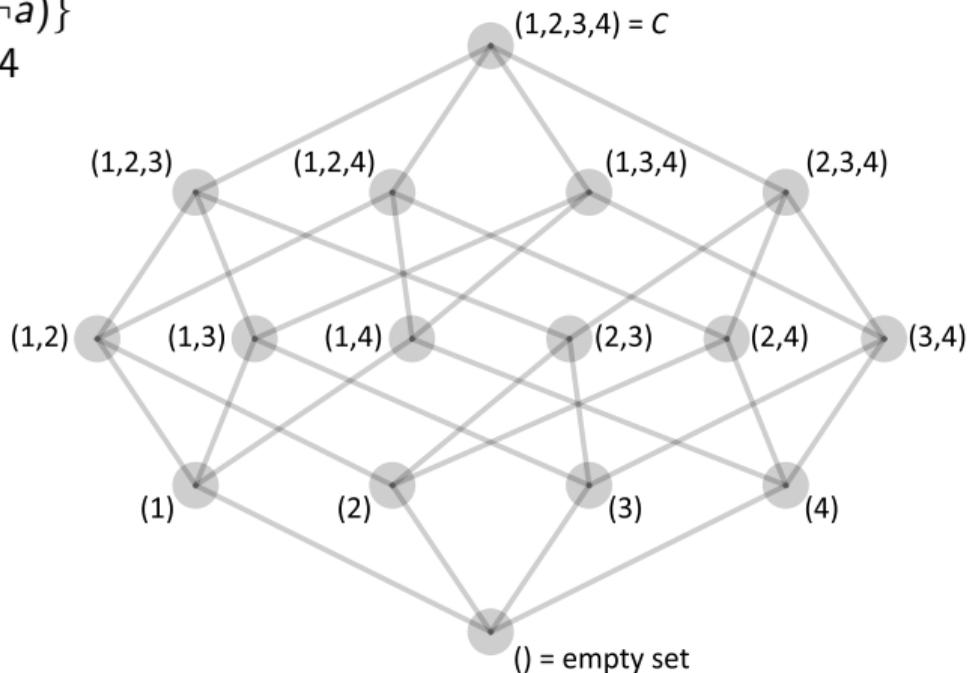
MUSes	MSSes	MCSes
$\{1, 2, 3\}$	$\{2, 3, 4\}$	$\{1\}$
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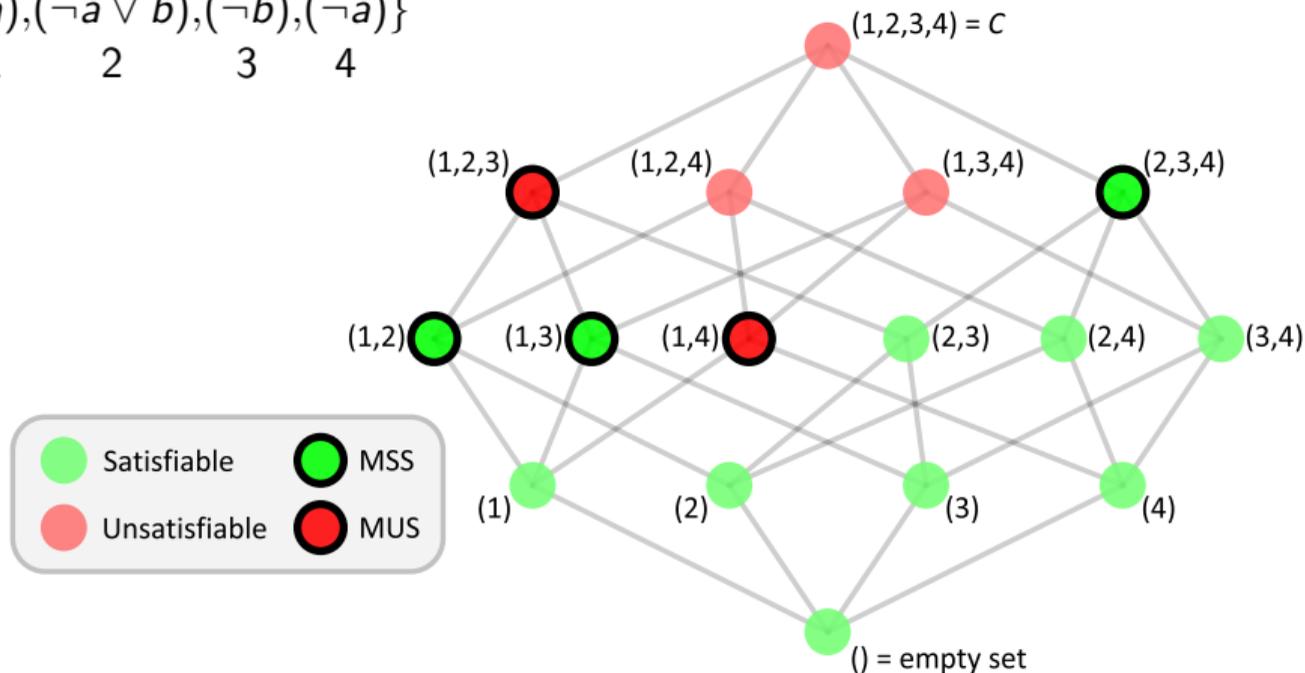


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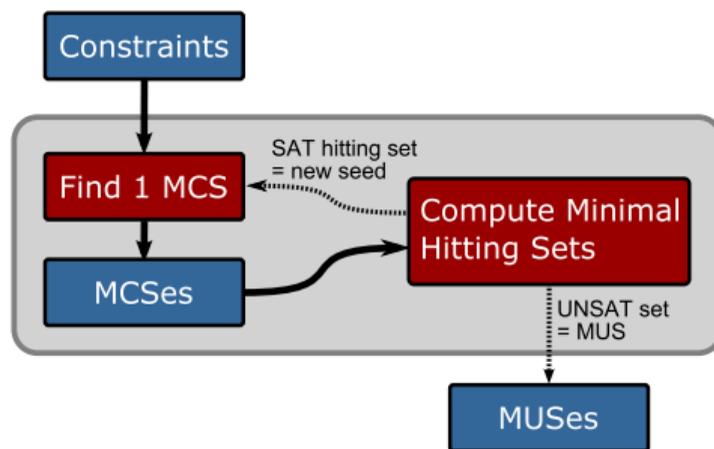
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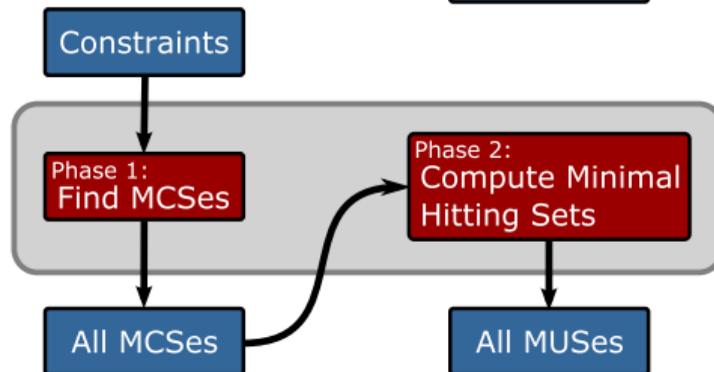


# Earlier Work on MUS Enumeration

Dualize and Advance  
(DAA)  
[Bailey & Stuckey, *PADL* 2005]



CAMUS  
[Liffiton & Sakallah, *SAT* 2005]



# Goals of This Work

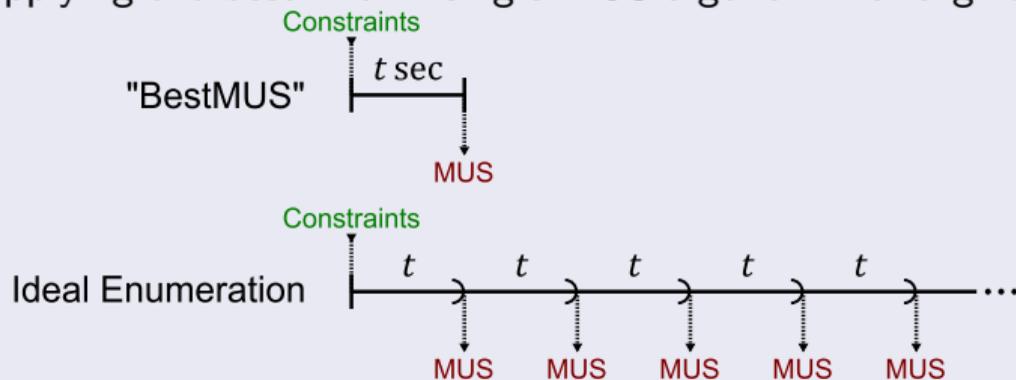
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## Ideal

... like repeatedly applying the best-known single-MUS algorithm for a given constraint type...



# MARCO POLO

Named after the Venetian **explorer** Marco Polo.

- MARCO: **M**apping **R**egions of **C**onstraint sets — the MUS enumeration algorithm.
- POLO: **P**owerset **L**ogic — the general technique of maintaining a “**map**” of the powerset as a **propositional logic formula**.

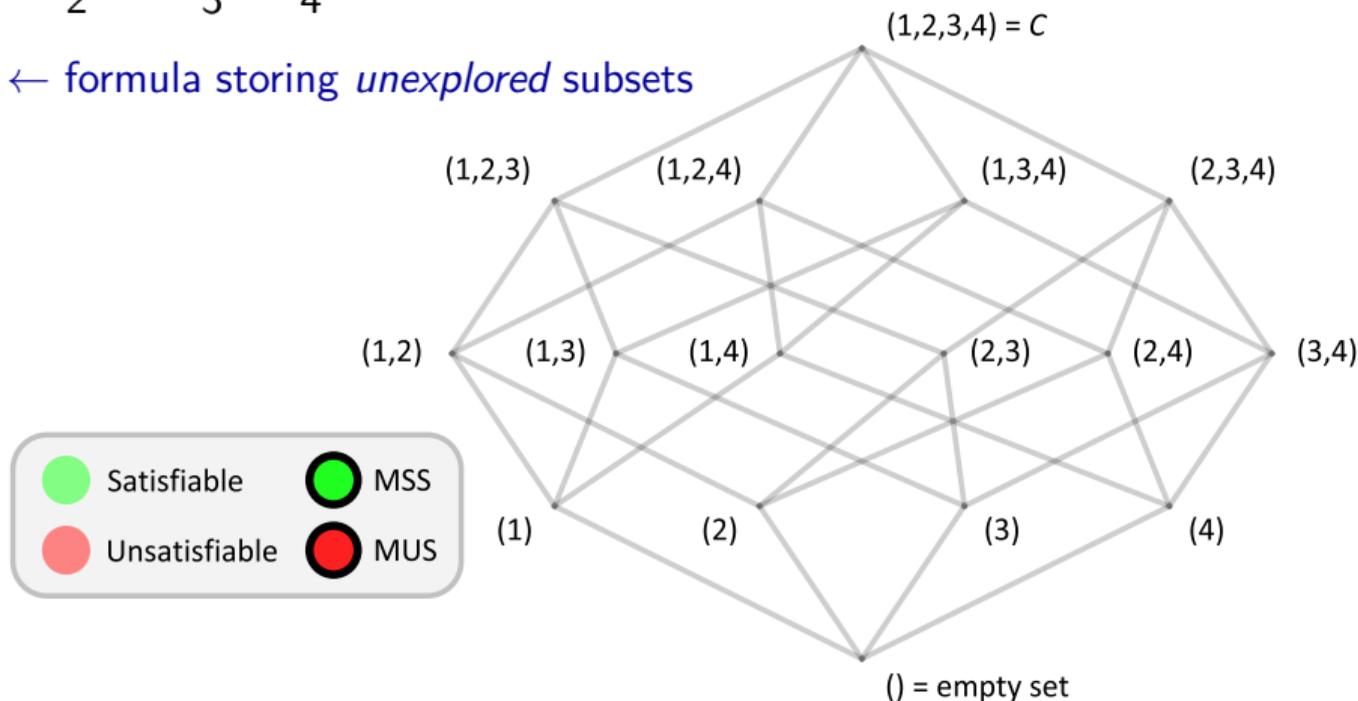


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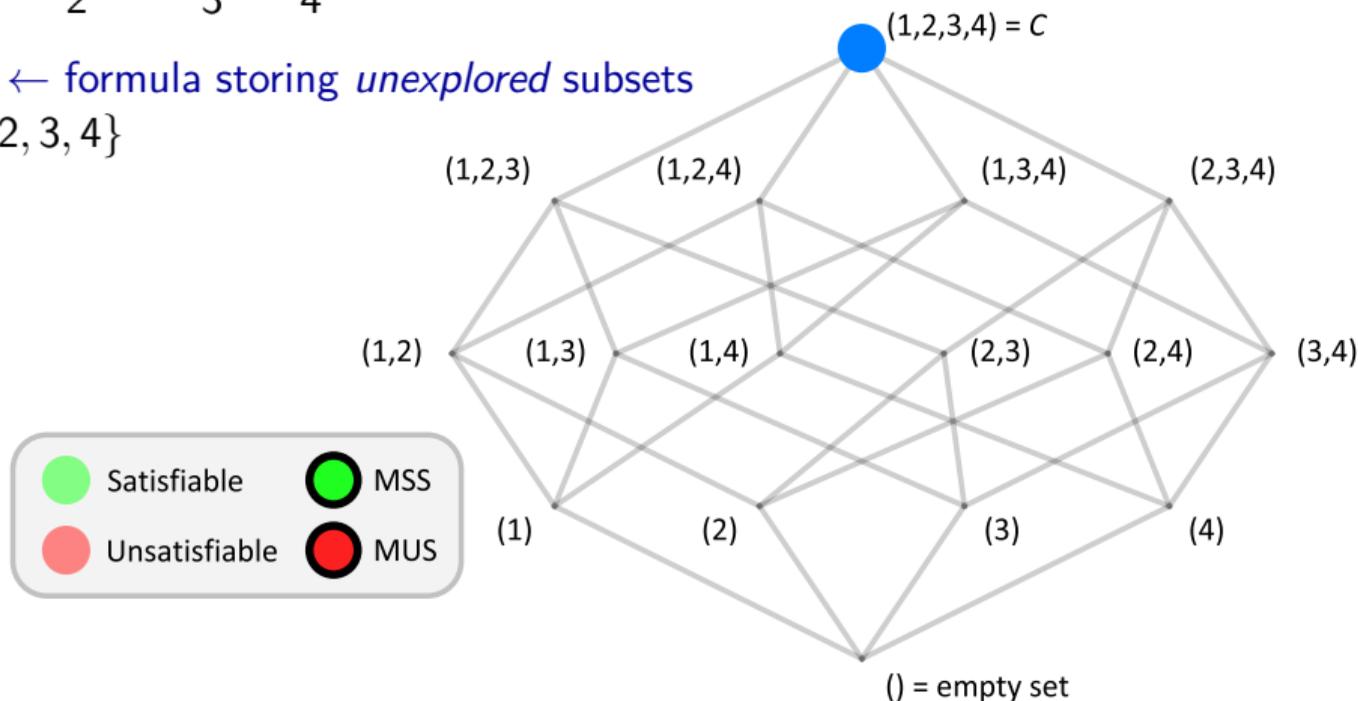
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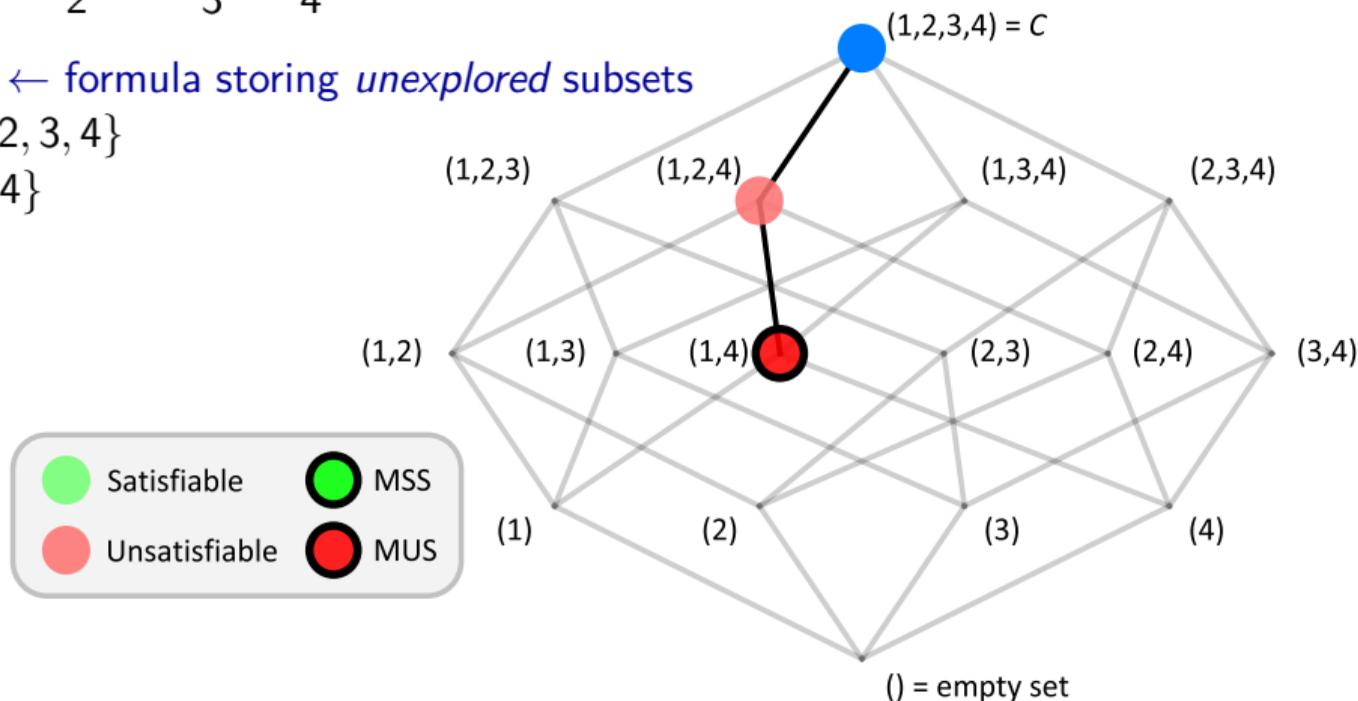
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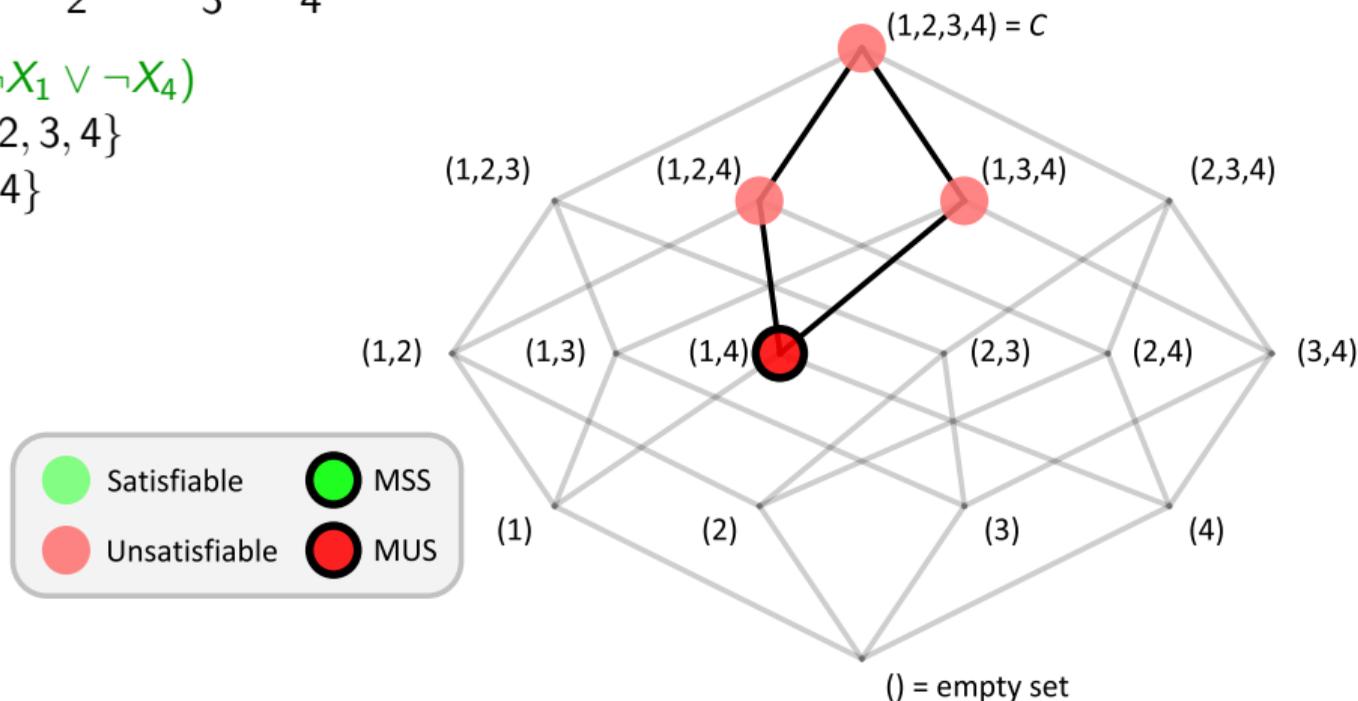
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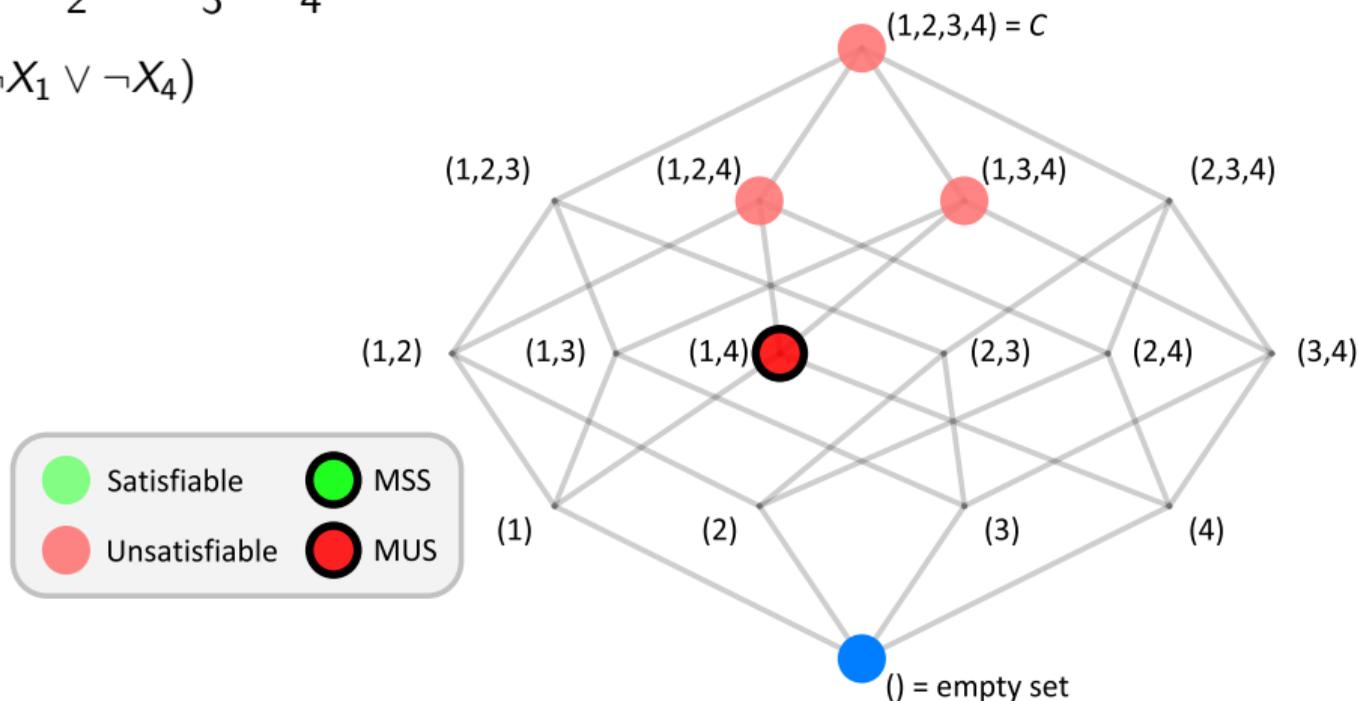
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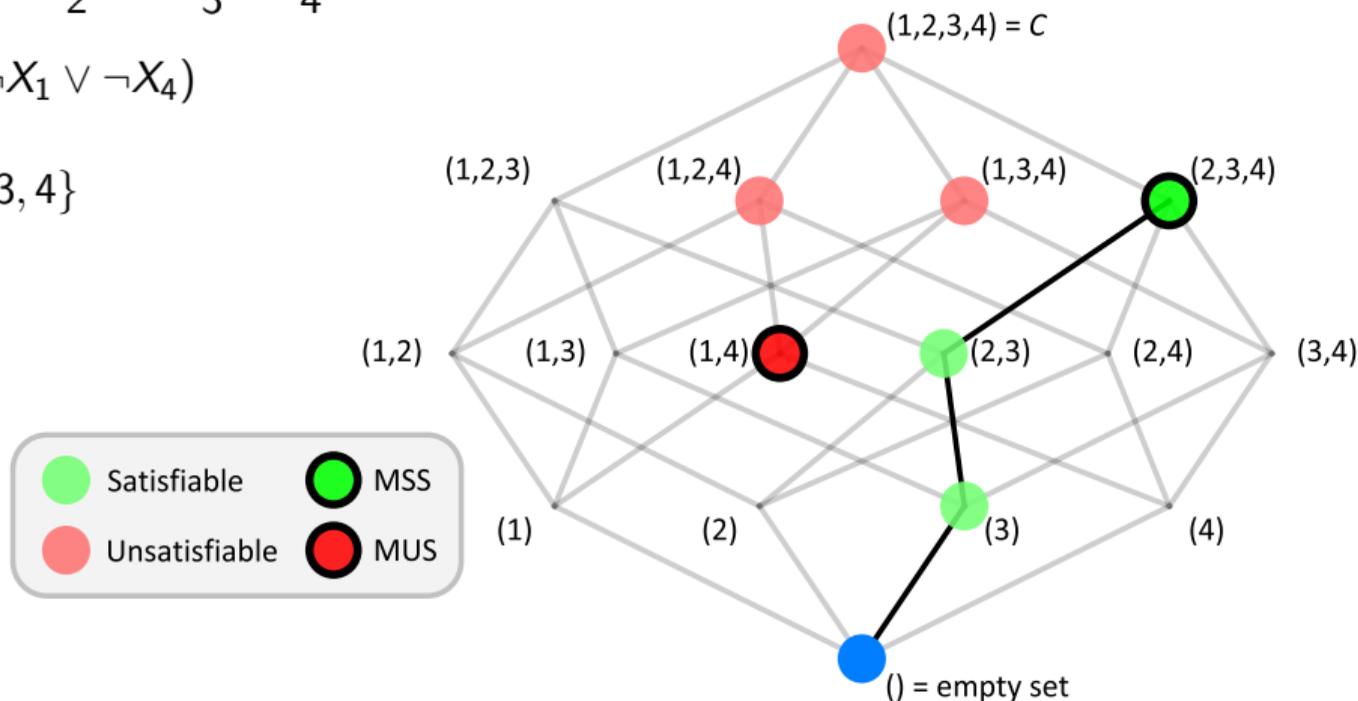
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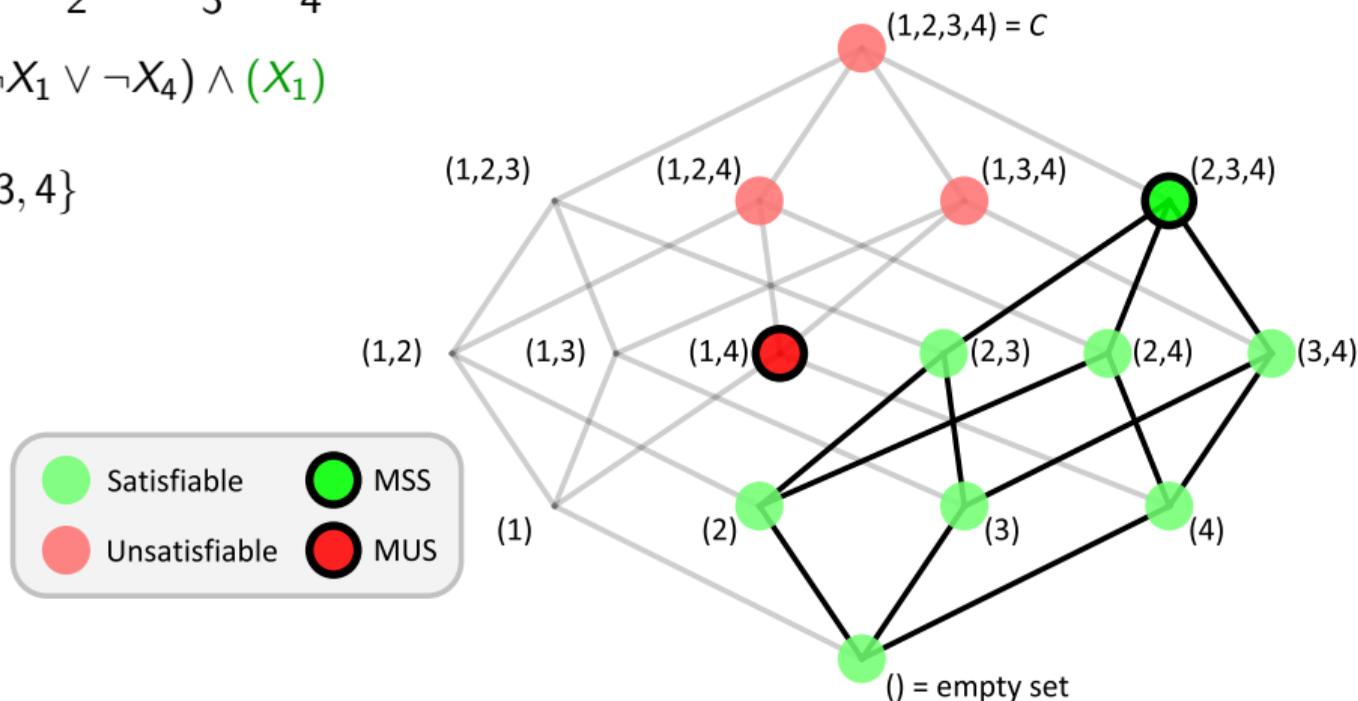
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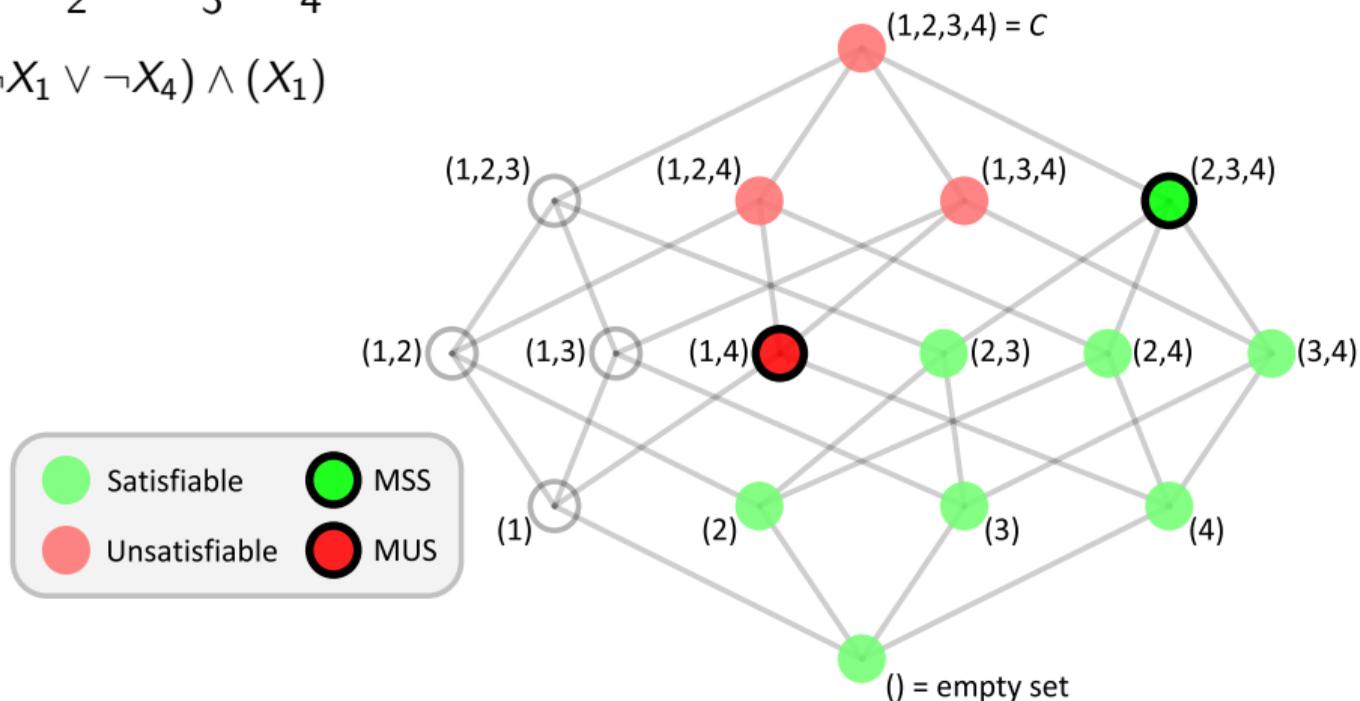


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# MARCO Algorithm: Pseudocode

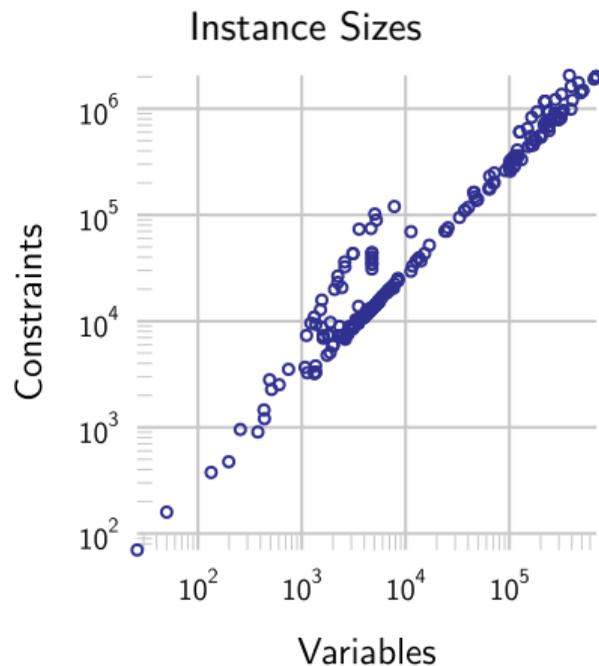
input: unsatisfiable constraint set  $C = \{C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots, C_n\}$

output: MSSes and MUSes of  $C$  as they are discovered

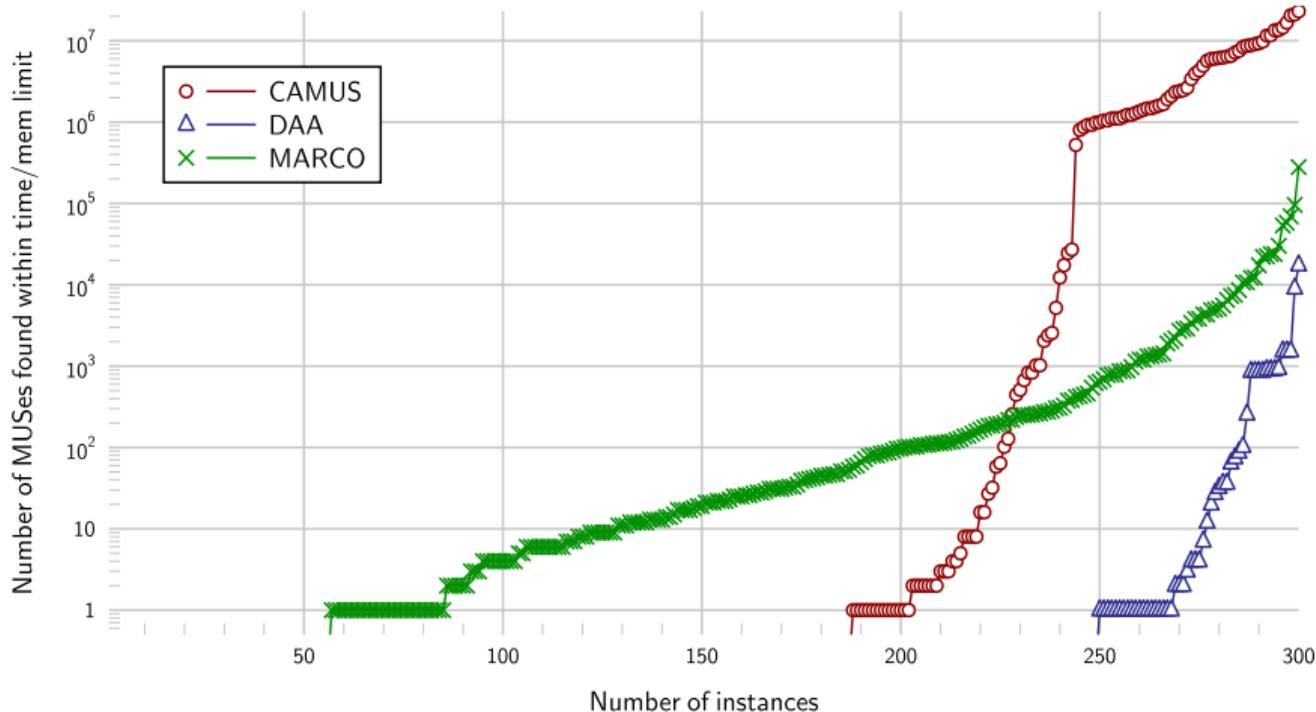
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1.  $Map \leftarrow \text{BoolFormula}(nvars = |C|)$   $\triangleleft$  *Empty formula over  $|C|$  Boolean vars*
  2. **while**  $Map$  is satisfiable:
  3.      $m \leftarrow \text{getModel}(Map)$
  4.      $seed \leftarrow \{C_i \in C : m[x_i] = \text{True}\}$   $\triangleleft$  *Project the assignment  $m$  onto  $C$*
  5.     **if**  $seed$  is satisfiable:
  6.          $MSS \leftarrow \text{grow}(seed, C)$
  7.         **yield**  $MSS$
  8.          $Map \leftarrow Map \wedge \text{blockDown}(MSS)$
  9.     **else:**
  10.          $MUS \leftarrow \text{shrink}(seed, C)$   $\triangleleft$  *Using any single-MUS algorithm*
  11.         **yield**  $MUS$
  12.          $Map \leftarrow Map \wedge \text{blockUp}(MUS)$

# Experimental Setup

- Implementation
  - **shrink**: MUSer2  
[Belov & Marques-Silva *JSAT* 2012]
  - **grow** & *Map*: MiniSAT v2.2
- Benchmarks
  - 300 Boolean CNF instances from 2011 SAT Competition, “MUS Track”
  - **246 instances** for which any algorithm found at least one MUS
  - Vars: min=26, max=686,767
  - Clauses: min=70, max=2,058,906
- Experiments
  - CPU: AMD Phenom II X4 @ 3.4GHz
  - RAM limit: 1800MB
  - Time limit: 1hr / 3600sec



# Experimental Results: MUSes Produced Within Resource Limits



# Conclusion

## Ongoing Work

- Merging/comparing to eMUS [Previti & Marques-Silva, AAAI 2013]: same approach with slightly different seed generation.
- Improving MARCO w/ better guidance, increased integration between *Map* and constraint solver.
- Applying POLO to other problems in infeasibility analysis.

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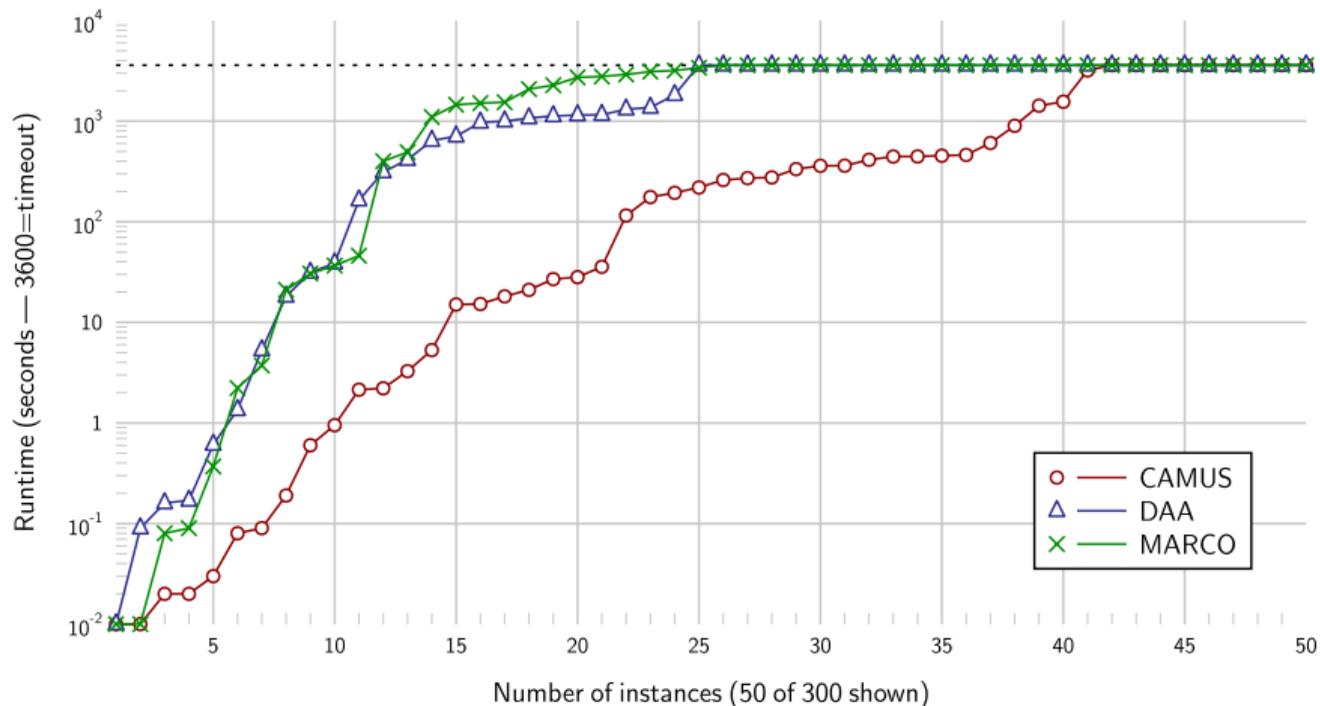
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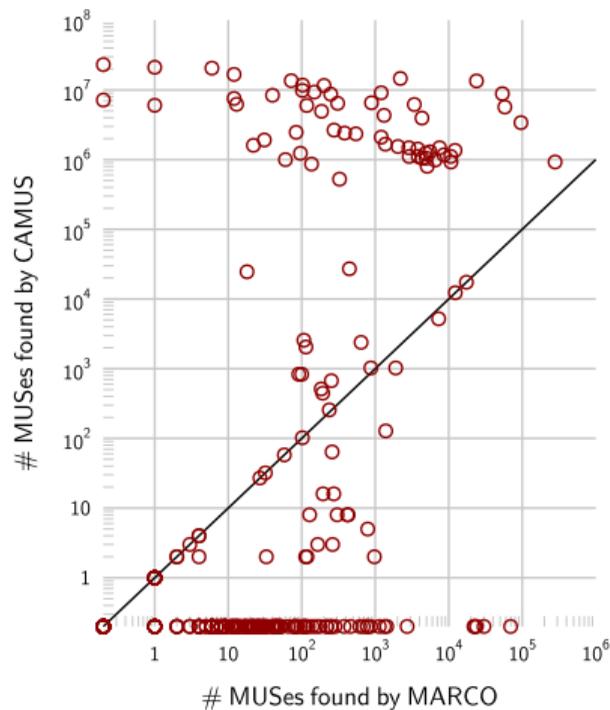
Source code: <http://www.iwu.edu/~mliffito/marco/>

# Experimental Results: Runtime for Complete Enumeration



# Experimental Results:

## Pairwise Comparison: MARCO & CAMUS





# Experimental Results: Anytime Traces, CAMUS & MARCO

