# Direct Access for Conjunctive Queries with Negations <br> Florent Capelli, Oliver Irwin 

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In this talk: only lexicographical orders.

## Applications

Direct Access generalizes many tasks that have been previously studied:

- Uniform sampling without repetitions
- Ranked enumeration
- Counting queries:
- how many answers between $\tau_{1}$ and $\tau_{2}$ ?
- how many answers extend a partial answer etc.


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Data complexity assumption: for a fixed $Q$, what is the best preprocessing $f(|\mathbb{D}|)$ for an access time $O($ polylog $|\mathbb{D}|)$ ?

[^0] combined complexity.

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Access $Q[5]$ :

- $a=0, b=0$ : not enough solutions
- $a=1, b=1$ : enough! 3 solutions smaller than ( $\left.1,1,,_{\text {_ }}\right)$
- Look for the second solution of $B\left(1,{ }_{-}\right): a=1, b=1, c=2$


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Reduces to multiplying two $\{0,1\}$-matrices $M, N$ over $\mathbb{N}$ :

- $(i, j) \in A$ iff $M[i, j]=1,(j, k) \in N$ iff $N[j, k]=1$
- $\# Q\left(i, j,{ }_{-}\right)=(M N)[i, j]$
- Direct Access can be used to find $\# Q\left(i, j,{ }_{-}\right)$with $O(\log |\mathbb{D}|)$ queries.


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- Function $\iota$ closely related to fractional hypertree width.

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## End of the story?

So, if we understand everything for Direct Access and lexicographical orders, what is our contrilbution?

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- $\neg N\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{k}\right)$ encoded with $|D|^{k}-\# N$ tuples.
- Relation with SAT: $\neg N$ is $x_{1} \vee \neg x_{2} \vee x_{3}$


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Positive encoding: preprocessing $O\left(2^{n}\right)$

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\text { DA for } Q=P \wedge N \text { implies DA for } Q=P \wedge N^{\prime} \text { for every } N^{\prime} \subseteq N \text { ! }
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Our contribution : new island of tractability for Signed JQ!

## A word on show

Signed HyperOrder Width (and incidentally, our result) generalizes:

- $\beta$-acyclicity (\#SAT and \#NCQ are already known tractable)
- signed-acyclicity (Model Checking for SCQ known to be tractable)
- Nest set width (SAT / Model Checking for NCQ known to be tractable)

Basically, everything that is known to be tractable on SCQ/NCQ.

1. Understanding model counting for $\beta$-acyclic CNF-formulas, J. Brault-Baron, F. C., S. Mengel
2. De la pertinence de l'énumération: complexité en logiques propositionnelle et du premier ordre, J. Brault-Baron
3. Tractability Beyond $\beta$-Acyclicity for Conjunctive Queries with Negation, M. Lanzinger

Our algorithm: a circuit approach

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## DPLL: building circuits

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3. Top down induction + caching

https://florent.capelli.me/cytoscape/dpll.html

# Going further 

## Other usage of circuits

1. Extension to $\exists \mathrm{SJQ}$ :

- Last variable in $C$ can be existentially projected without increase in circuit size
- Give DA for $\exists x_{k}, \ldots, x_{n} Q\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right)$.

2. Semi-ring Aggregation

- $w: X \times D \rightarrow(\mathbb{K}, \oplus, \otimes)$
- Compute $\bigoplus_{\tau \in Q(\mathbb{D})} \otimes_{x \in X} w(x, \tau(x))$


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$Q\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{k}, F\left(x_{k+1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right)\right)$, generalizing work by I. Eldar, N. Carmeli, B. Kimelfeld.

[^0]:    In this work, all presented complexity in data complexity will also be polynomial for

