



The Results of the Model Counting Competition 2025

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Motivation

Why having a solving competition?

Deepen **relationship** between latest **theoretical** and **practical** development on the various model counting problems and their practical **applications**.

Goals

- Gain visibility of model counting
- Foster progress and new solving approaches and ideas
- 6th iteration

Tracks / Problems

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(only one submission)

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Restrictions, Measure, and Ranking

Measure

- Solved instances in 1h limitation per instance
- No tie-breaking
- Sosycomp Cluster at LMU, Munich
- ~~32-GB~~ 31 GB main memory (RAM) per instance

Ranking

- (A) Arbitrary Precision (0% relative error; DQF > 0 wrong)
- (B) Small Precision Loss (0.1% relative error; DQF > 20 wrong)
- (C) Approximate Solving (0.8 approx factor; DQF > 20 wrong)

Evaluation Procedure

- Open call for benchmarks
- Evaluated submitted benchmark instances + known sets

We selected 200 instances and split them in public / private.

1. Public instances (100) and public challenge

Submission open for a few weeks.

2. Private instances (100)

After a final deadline, we evaluate solvers on Sosycomp

If we see errors, we give authors a few days to comment or fix.

We included results of a fixed version if provided.

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Exact

1. Cara
2. D4
3. Ganak
4. gpmc
5. SharpSAT-TD
6. SharpSAT-TD-CH
7. MTMC
8. bam

Approximate

1. Ganak-Approx

Benchmark Selection (2025)

Selection

- Instances selected over all submitted/collected benchmarks
- Remove unsatisfiable instances (Track 1 only: resources)
- Sample
 - c : number of submitted/collected sets (2020-2025)
 - $n = 200/c$ (number of instances by set)
 - pick a random order on sets
 - compute distribution, i.e, between $n-3$ and $n+3$ instances per set (3, number increases slightly to fill 200 instances)
 - randomly sample instances according to distribution

Submitted Benchmarks

- *Complete Symmetry Breaking for Finite Models*
by Marek Danco; Mikolas Janota; Michael Codish; Joao Araujo
- *Hitting Sets*
by Mohimenul Kabir
- *Min. Hamming of unweighted MaxSAT instances*
by Sravanthi Chede; Anil Shukla
- *Attacker Control and Bug Prioritization*
by Guilhem Lacombe; Sébastien Bardin
- *Quantum Circuit Simulation*
by Jingyi Mei, Marcello Bonsangue, Alfons Laarman
- *Puzzle (Connect-4 Game)*
by Ivor Spence

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Thank You!

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2	2		Cara	Petr Illner	50
2	2		D4	Jean-Marie Lagniez, Pierre Marquis	50

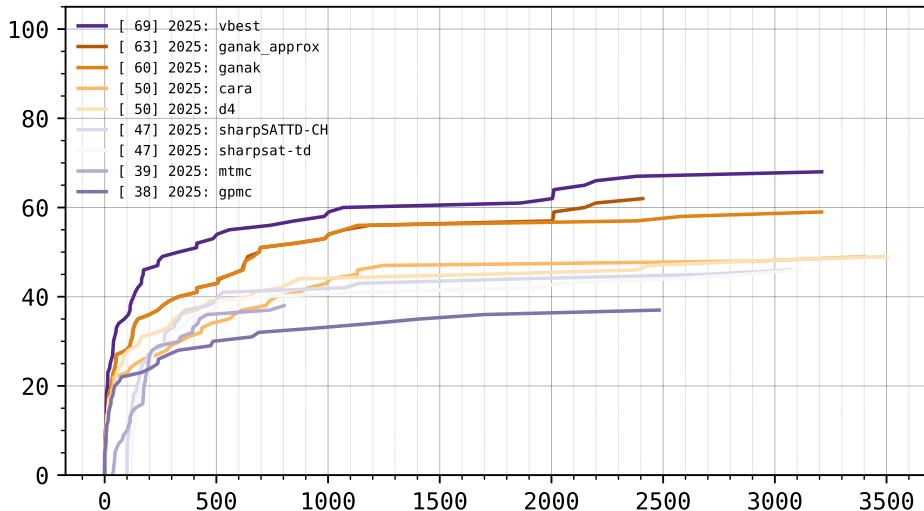
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		1	Ganak-ApproxMC	Mate Soos, Kuldeep S. Meel	63
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2	2	2	Cara	Petr Illner	50
2	2	2	D4	Jean-Marie Lagniez, Pierre Marquis	50

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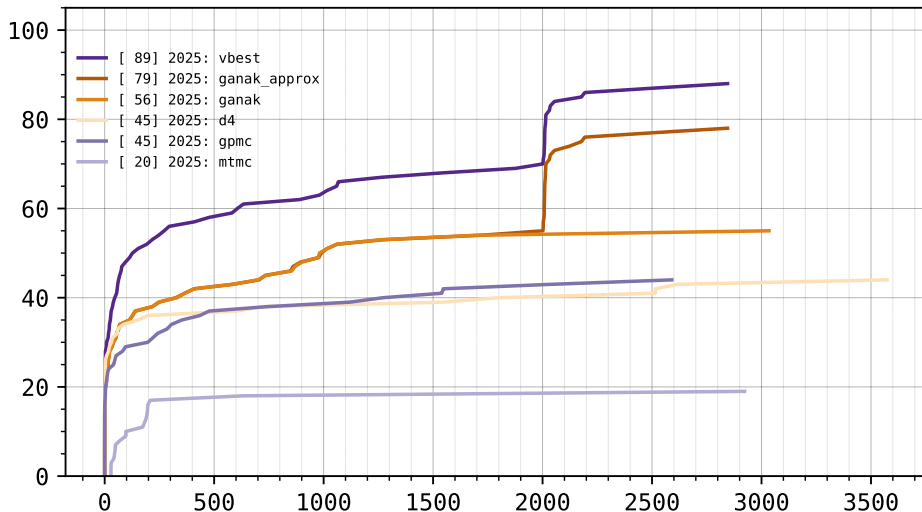
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2	2	3	gpmc	Kenta Ito, Kenji Hashimoto	45

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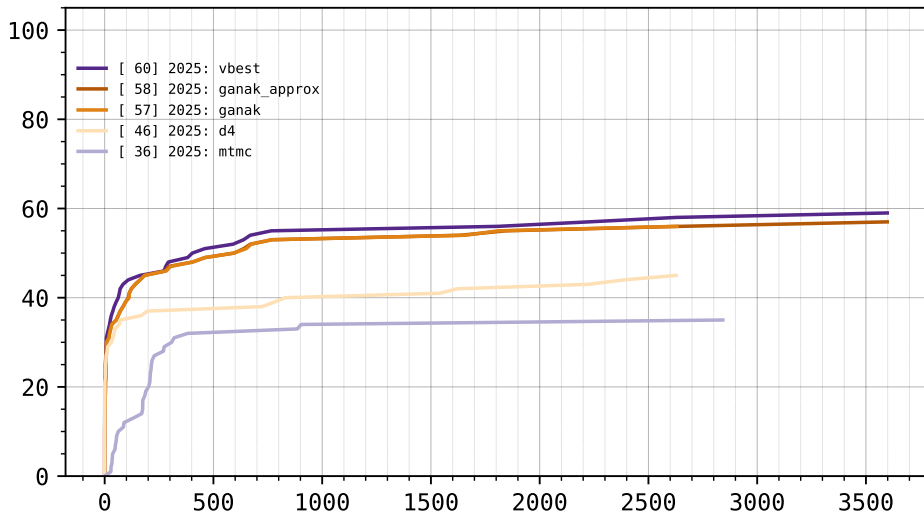
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2	2	2	d4	Jean-Marie Lagniez, Pierre Marquis	46
	3	3	MTMC	Ivor Spence	36

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Overview

Many New Additions

- Cara (great newcomer)
- Representing weights compactly by Randal Bryant (Workshop)
- A new track (but still evaluating)!
- New applications

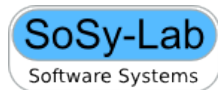
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Call for benchmarks in October.
Hope we see you in 2026.
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