

Tecniche di Specifica e di Verifica

Boolean Decision Diagrams I
(BDDs)

Outline

- **NuSMV**
- The state explosion problem.
- Techniques for overcoming this problem:
 - Compact representation of the state space.
 - **BDDs.**
 - **Abstractions (bisimulations)**
 - **Symmetries.**
 - **Partial Order Reductions.**

NuSMV

- **N**ew **S**ymbolic **M**odel **V**erifier.
- Developed at **CMU-IRST** (**Ed Clarke, Ken McMillan, Cimatti et al.**) as extension/reimplementation of **SMV**.
- **NuSMV** has its own input language (also called **SMV!**).

NuSMV

- You must prepare your verification problem in this language.
- An **NuSMV** program is a convenient way to describe a **Kripke structure**.
- You can insert the properties you want to verify in the program.
- Read the tutorial and on a need-to-know basis, the manual.

Parallel Composition

- $\mathbf{TS}_1 = (S_1, S_1^0, S_1, \mathbf{R}_1) \quad \mathbf{R}_1 \vdash S_1 \text{ } \# S_1 \text{ } \# S_1$
- $\mathbf{TS}_2 = (S_2, S_2^0, S_2, \mathbf{R}_2) \quad \mathbf{R}_2 \vdash S_2 \text{ } \# S_2 \text{ } \# S_2$

- a $\# S_1$ and a $\ddot{I} S_2$
 - An “*internal*” action of \mathbf{TS}_1 .
- a $\# S_1 \text{ } \# S_2$
 - A *common (synchronizing)* action of \mathbf{TS}_1 and \mathbf{TS}_2 .

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- $\mathbf{TS} = (\mathbf{TS}_1 \text{ } \# \mathbf{TS}_2) = (\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{S}^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{R}).$

- $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{S}_1 \text{ } \# \mathbf{S}_2$
- $\mathbf{S}^0 = \mathbf{S}_1^0 \text{ } \# \mathbf{S}_2^0$
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- $TS = (TS_1 \text{ k } TS_2) = (S, S^0, S, R)$.

– $R \mu S \text{ } \text{ } S \text{ } S$

▪ $S = S_1 \text{ } \text{ } S_2$.

– $R((s1, s2), a, (t1, t2)) ?$

– if $a \in S_1$ and $a \in S_2$

– then $R_1(s1, a, t1)$ and $s2 = t2$.

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– $\mathbf{R}((\mathbf{s1}, \mathbf{s2}), \mathbf{a}, (\mathbf{t1}, \mathbf{t2})) ?$

– if $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{S}_2$ and $\mathbf{a} \notin \mathbf{S}_1$

– then $\mathbf{R}_2(\mathbf{s2}, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{t2})$ and $\mathbf{s1} = \mathbf{t1}$.

Parallel Composition

- $\mathbf{TS} = (\mathbf{TS}_1 \mathbf{k} \mathbf{TS}_2) \mathbf{k} \mathbf{TS}_3$
- $\mathbf{TS} = \mathbf{TS}_1 \mathbf{k} (\mathbf{TS}_2 \mathbf{k} \mathbf{TS}_3)$
- $\mathbf{TS} = \mathbf{TS}_1 \mathbf{k} \mathbf{TS}_2 \mathbf{k} \mathbf{TS}_3$

Parallel Composition

- $TS = TS_1 \text{ k } TS_2 \dots \text{ k } TS_n$
- $\text{Size}(TS_i) \text{ } \frac{1}{4} |S_j| = k_i > 2$
- **Description of $TS \text{ } \frac{1}{4} k_1 + k_2 \dots + k_n$**
- **$\text{Size}(TS) = k_1 \text{ } \text{ } k_2 \dots \text{ } k_n$
 $> 2^n !$**
- Size of **TS** is *exponential* in **n** (the *number of components*).
- *State space explosion problem.*

How to circumvent state space explosion?

- Use succinct representations of the state space.
 - **Boolean Decision Diagrams.**
- Reduce **TS** to **TS'** such that:
 - **TS** has the required property *iff*
TS' has the required property.
 - Symmetries
 - **Abstractions (bisimulations)**
 - Partial order reductions.

Symbolic Model checking

- $K = (S, S_0, R, AP, V)$
- y a CTL formula
- To check whether:
 - $K, s \models y$
- We need to

- compute $\llbracket y \rrbracket = \text{states}(y) = \{s \in K, s \models y\}$.
- then check whether $s \in \llbracket y \rrbracket$.

Symbolic Model checking

- $\mathbf{K} = (\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{S}_0, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{AP}, \mathbf{V})$
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- $\mathbf{S}' \mu \mathbf{S}$ can be represented as a *boolean function*.
- \mathbf{R} can be represented as a *boolean function*.
- $\llbracket y \rrbracket$ can then be represented as a *boolean function*.

- *Boolean functions* represent the *characteristic functions* of the given *sets of states*.

BDDs

- Boolean functions can be (often) *succinctly represented* as *boolean decision diagrams*.
- **BDDs** are easy to manipulate.
- *Not all boolean functions have a succinct representation.*
- *Use **BDDs** to represent and manipulate the boolean functions associated with the model checking process.*

Boolean Functions

- **f** : Domain ! Range
- Boolean function:
 - Domain = $\{0, 1\}^n = \{0,1\} \text{ \& } \dots \text{ \& } \{0,1\}$.
 - Range = $\{0, 1\}$
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 - Answer : $2^{2^3} = 2^8$!

Truth Tables

x	y	z	g
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
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g : {0, 1} £ {0, 1} £ {0, 1} ! {0, 1}

Boolean Expressions

- Given a set of *Boolean variables* x, y, \dots and the constants **1** (true) and **0** (false):

$$t ::= x \mid 0 \mid 1 \mid \neg t \mid t \wedge t \mid t \vee t \mid t \oplus t \mid t \hat{\vee} t$$

- The semantics of *Boolean Expressions* is defined by means of *truth tables* as usual.
- Given an ordering of Boolean variables, *Boolean expressions* can be used to express *Boolean functions*.

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- $x \dot{\cup} y$ represents the function:
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 - $f(0, 1) = 0$
 - $f(1, 0) = 0$
 - $f(1, 1) = 1$

Boolean functions and expressions

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g : {0, 1} × {0, 1} × {0, 1} → {0, 1}

$$g = ((x \hat{\cup} y) \hat{\cup} z) \hat{\cup} ((x \hat{\cup} \emptyset y) \hat{\cup} \emptyset z)$$

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$$g : \{0, 1\} \times \{0, 1\} \times \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

Three Representations

- *Boolean functions*
- *Truth tables*
- *Propositional formulas.*
- Three *equivalent* representations.
- Here is a *fourth one!*

Boolean Decision Tree

- A *boolean function* is represented as a *(binary) tree*.
- Each *internal node* is labeled with a (boolean) *variable*.
- Each *internal node* has a *positive (full line)* and a *negative (dotted line) successor*.
- The *terminal nodes* are labeled with **0** or **1**.

Boolean Decision Diagrams

- A **compact way** of representing boolean functions.
- Can be used in **CTL** model checking.
 - Represent a subset of states as a boolean function.
 - Represent the transition relation as a boolean function.
 - Reduce **EX(y)**, **EU(y₁, y₂)** and **EG(y)** to manipulating boolean functions and checking for **boolean function equality**.
- Go from **NuSMV** (program) representation *directly* to its **BDD** representation!

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Boolean decision trees.

If-Then-Else representation

$$\mathbf{x} \dot{\cup} \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} \textcircled{\text{R}} \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{0}$$

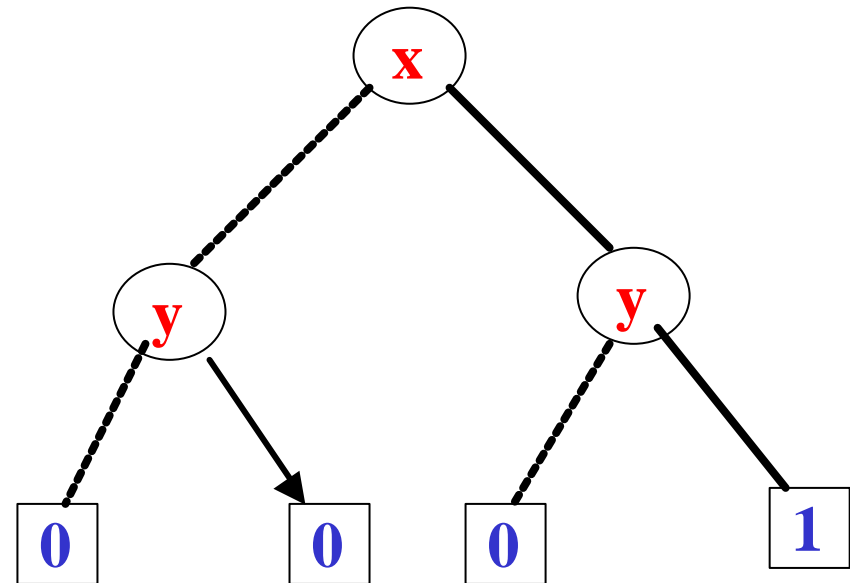
Shannon Expansion:

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{x} \textcircled{\text{R}} \mathbf{f}_{[1/\mathbf{x}]} , \mathbf{f}_{[0/\mathbf{x}]}$$

where

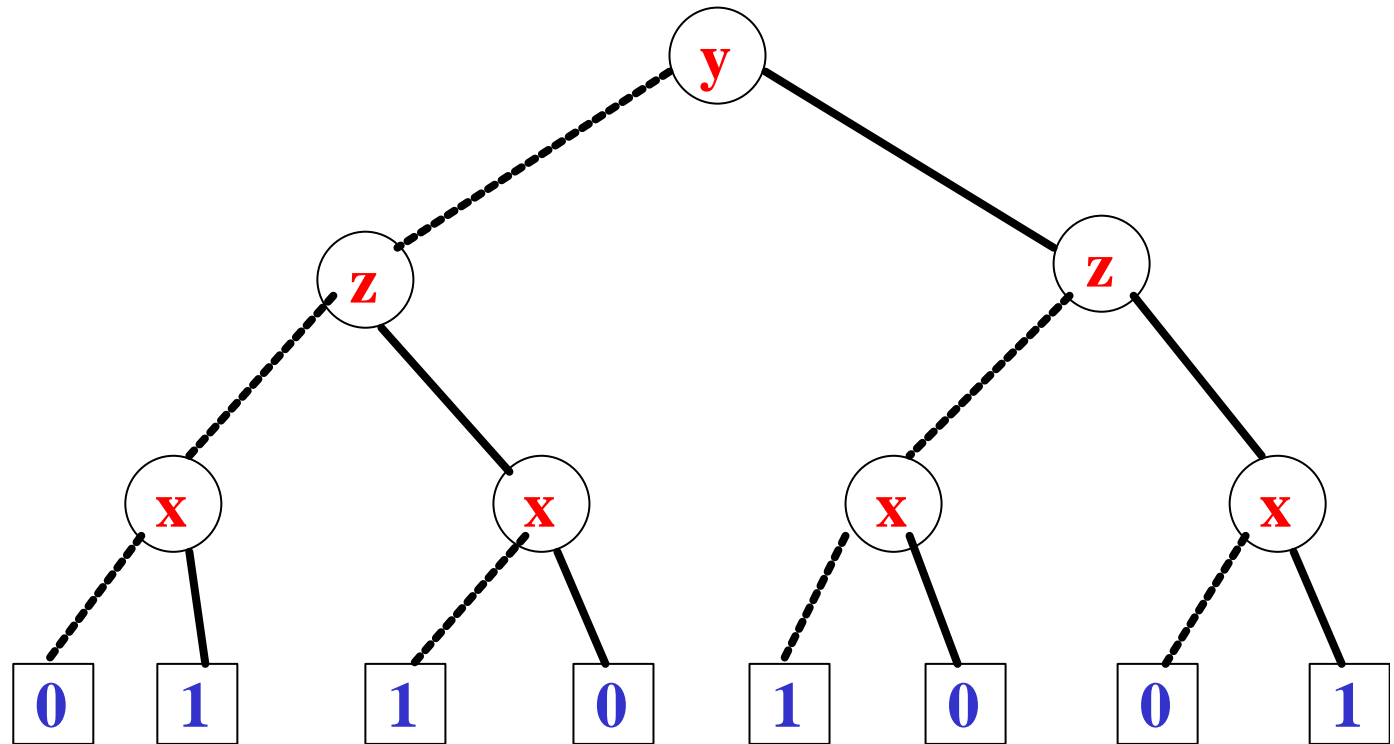
$$\mathbf{f}_{[a/\mathbf{x}]}(\dots, \mathbf{x}, \dots) = \mathbf{f}(\dots, \mathbf{a}, \dots)$$

for $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}$.



$$\mathbf{x} \dot{\cup} \mathbf{y}$$

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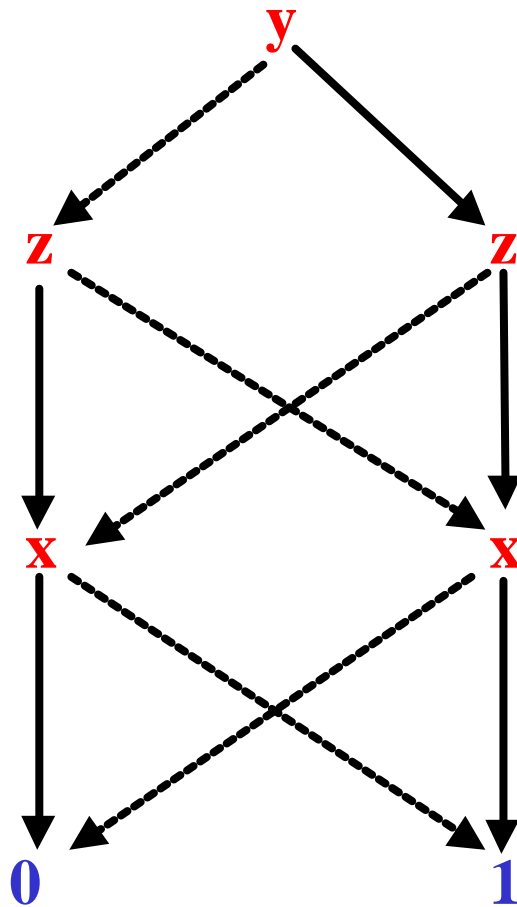


$$g = (y \hat{\cup} (x \hat{\cup} z)) \hat{\cup} (\emptyset y \hat{\cup} (x \hat{\cup} \emptyset z))$$

BDDs

A **BDD** is *finite rooted directed acyclic graph* in which:

- There is a *unique initial node* (the *root*)
- Each *terminal node* is labeled with a **0** or **1**.
- Each *non-terminal* (internal) node v has three attribute:
 - *var(v)*, and
 - exactly *two successors low(v)* and *high(v)*: one labeled **0** (*dotted edge, low(v)*) and the other labeled **1** (*solid edge, high(v)*).



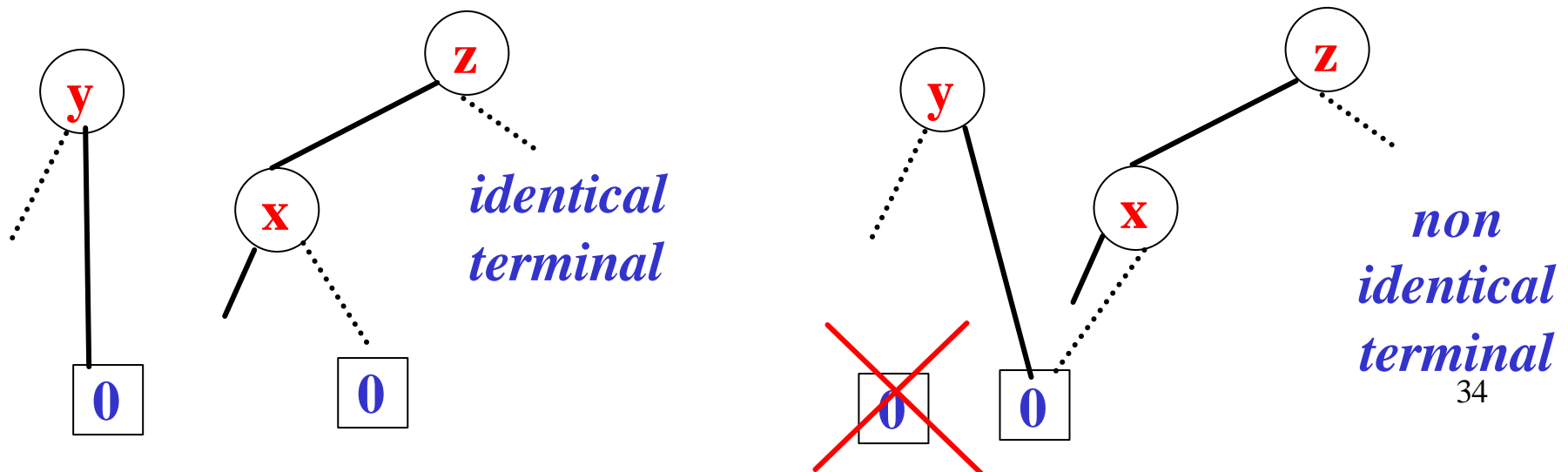
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Reduction Rules

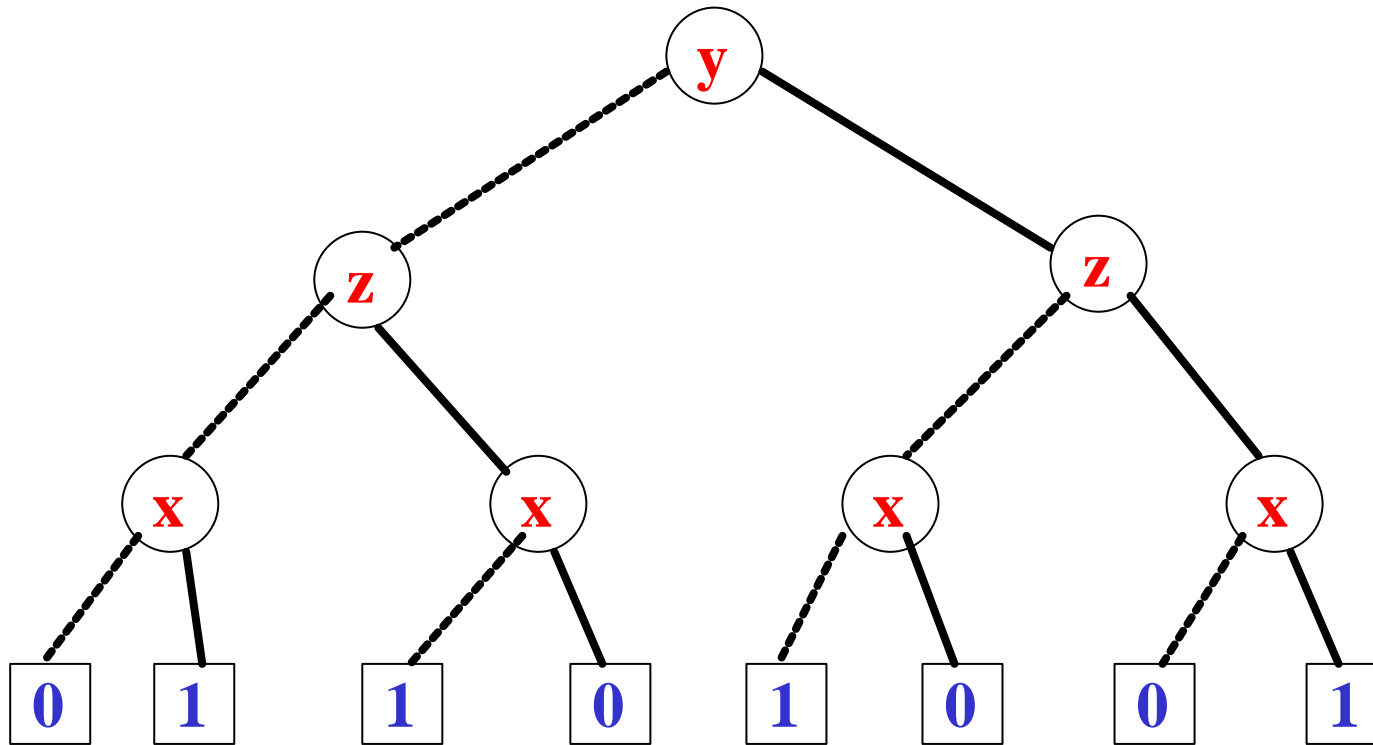
- Three reduction rules:
 - **Share identical terminal nodes. (R1)**
 - **Remove redundant tests (R2)**
 - **Share identical non-terminal nodes. (R3)**

Reduction Rules

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- If a **BDD** contains *two terminal nodes* **m** and **n** both *labeled 0* then, *remove n* and *direct all incoming edges at n to m*.
- **Similarly for two terminal nodes labeled 1.**

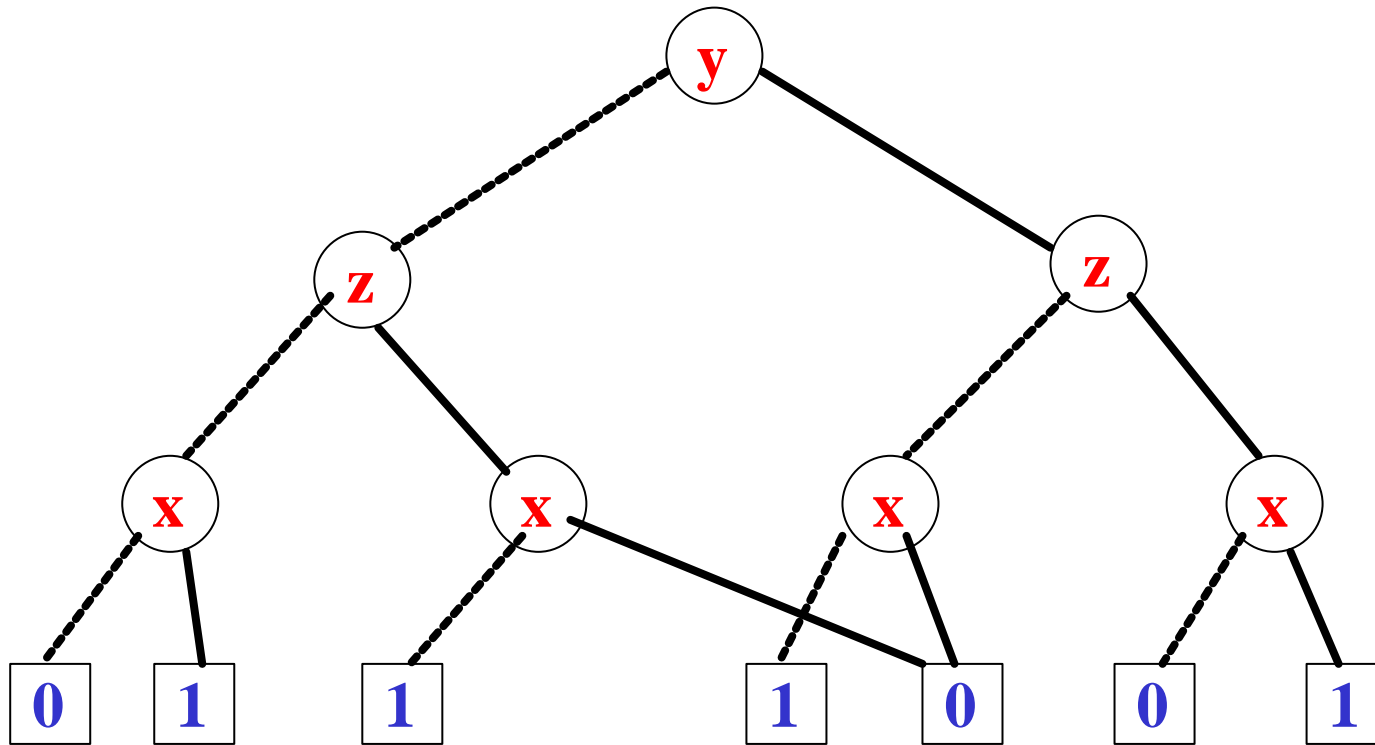


Share identical terminal nodes. (R1)



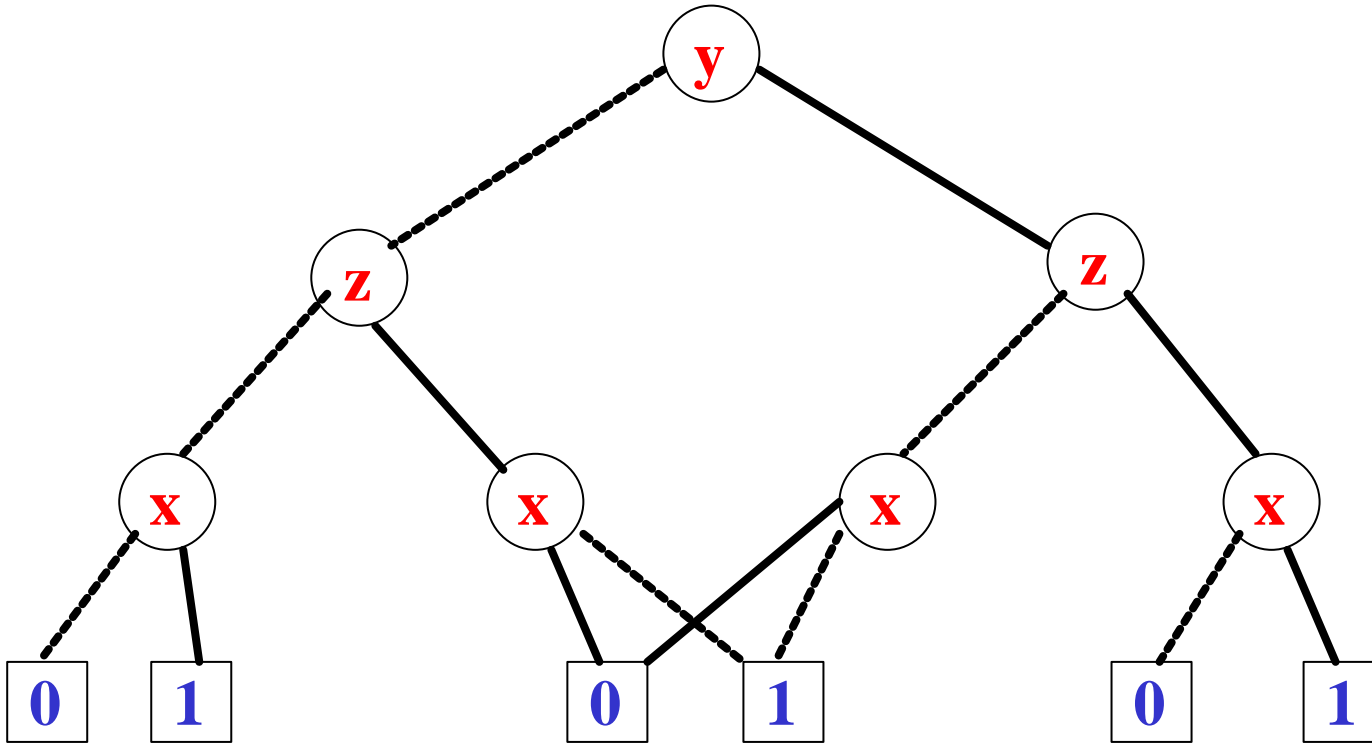
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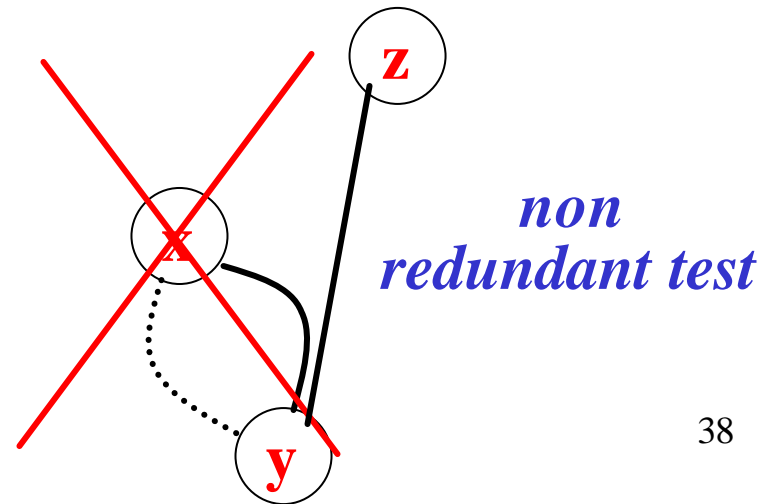
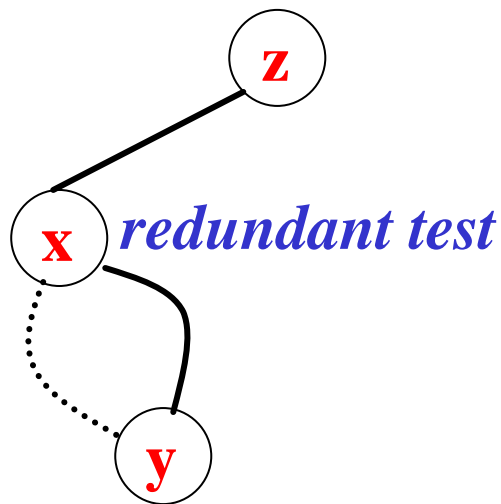
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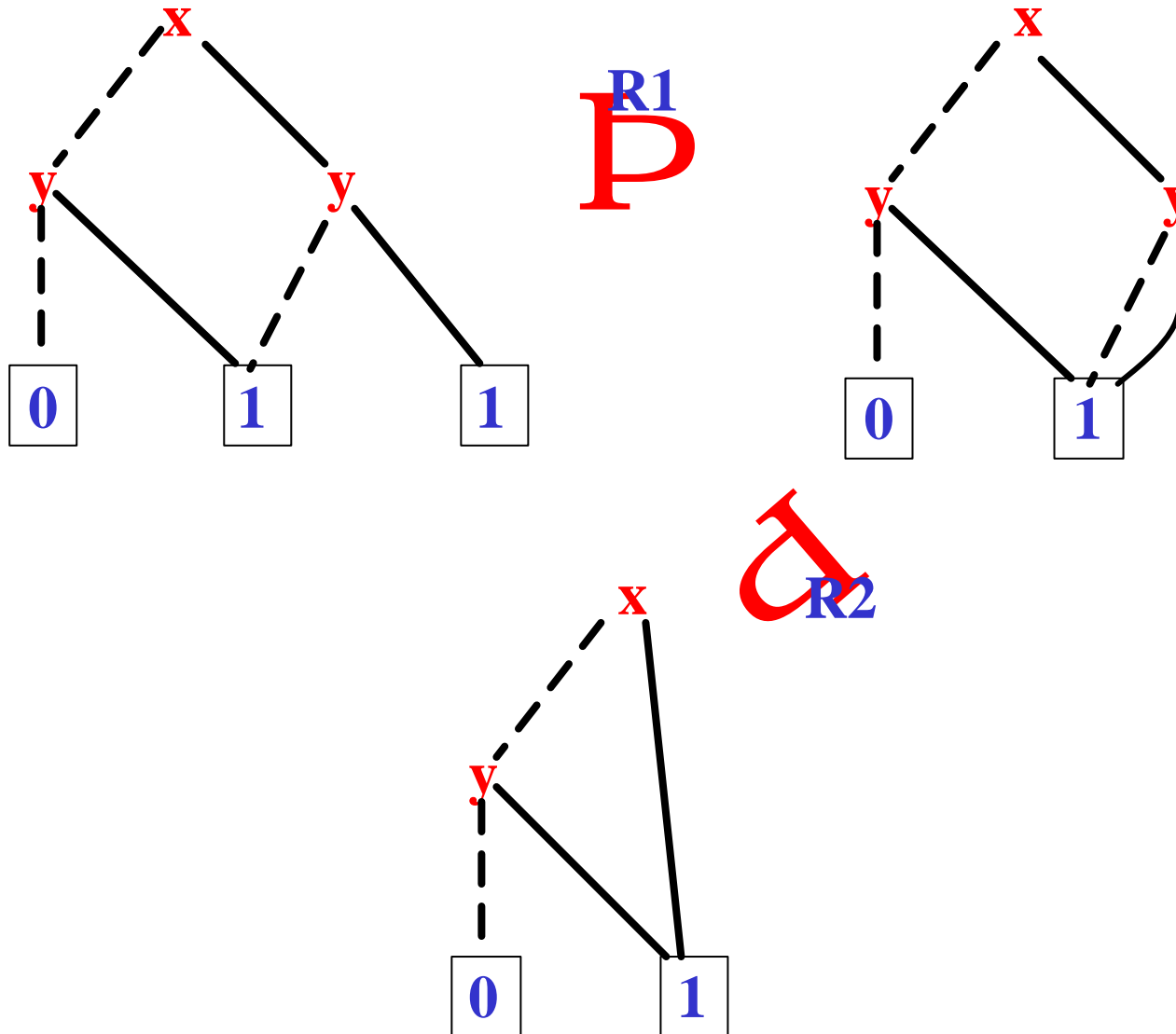
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Reduction Rules

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 - **Remove redundant tests (R2)**
- If both *successors of node m lead to the same node n* then *remove m* and *direct all incoming edges of m to n*.

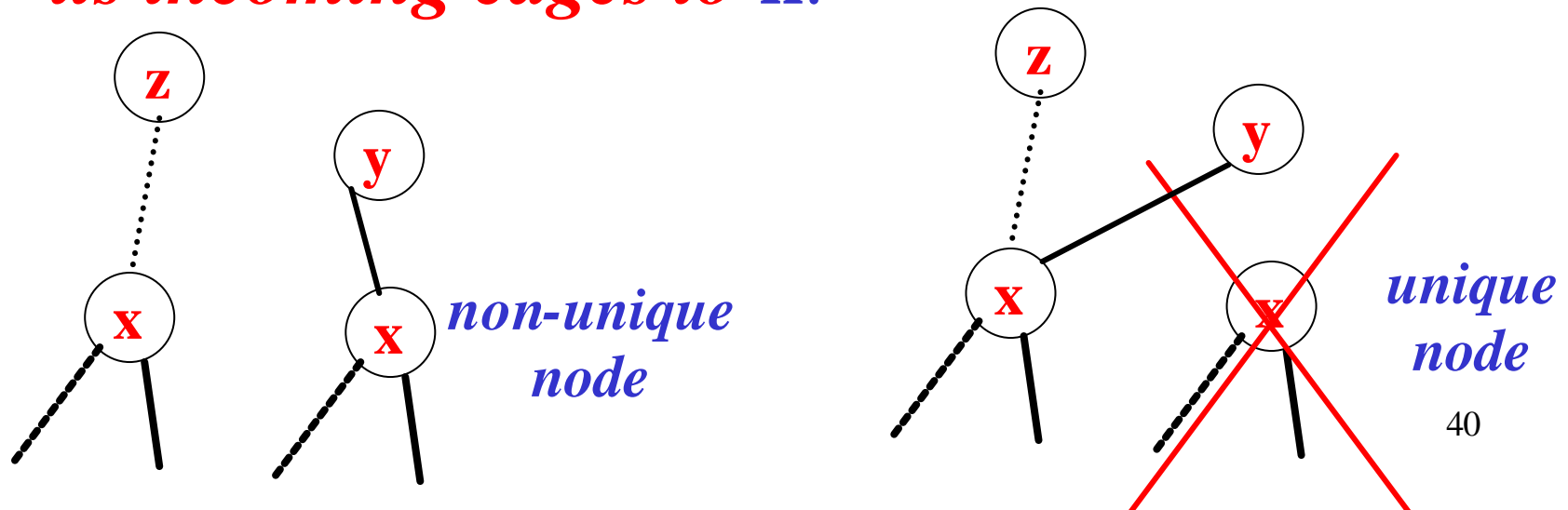


Remove redundant tests (R2)

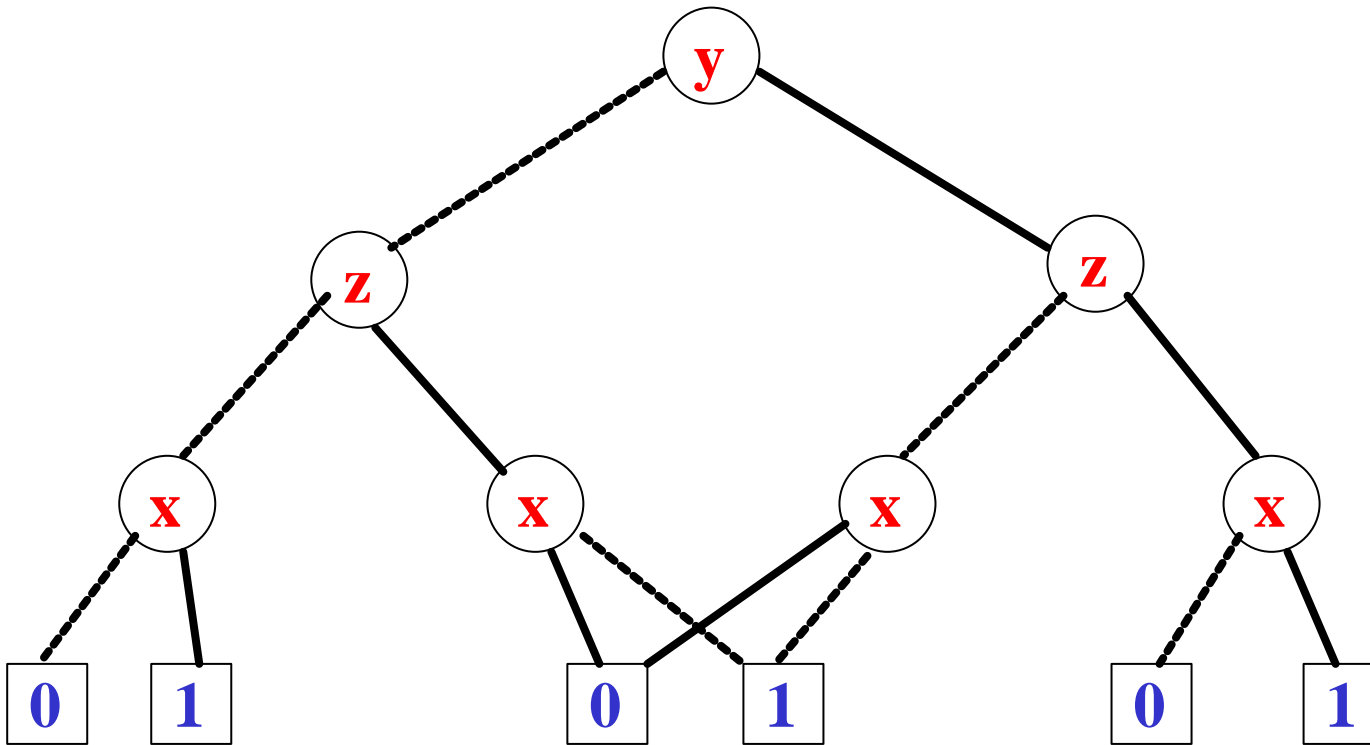


Reduction Rules

- Three reduction rules:
 - Share identical terminal nodes. (**R1**)
 - Remove redundant tests (**R2**)
 - **Share identical non-terminal nodes. (R3)**
- If the *sub-BDDs rooted at the nodes m* and *n* are “*identical*” then *remove m* and *direct all its incoming edges to n*.

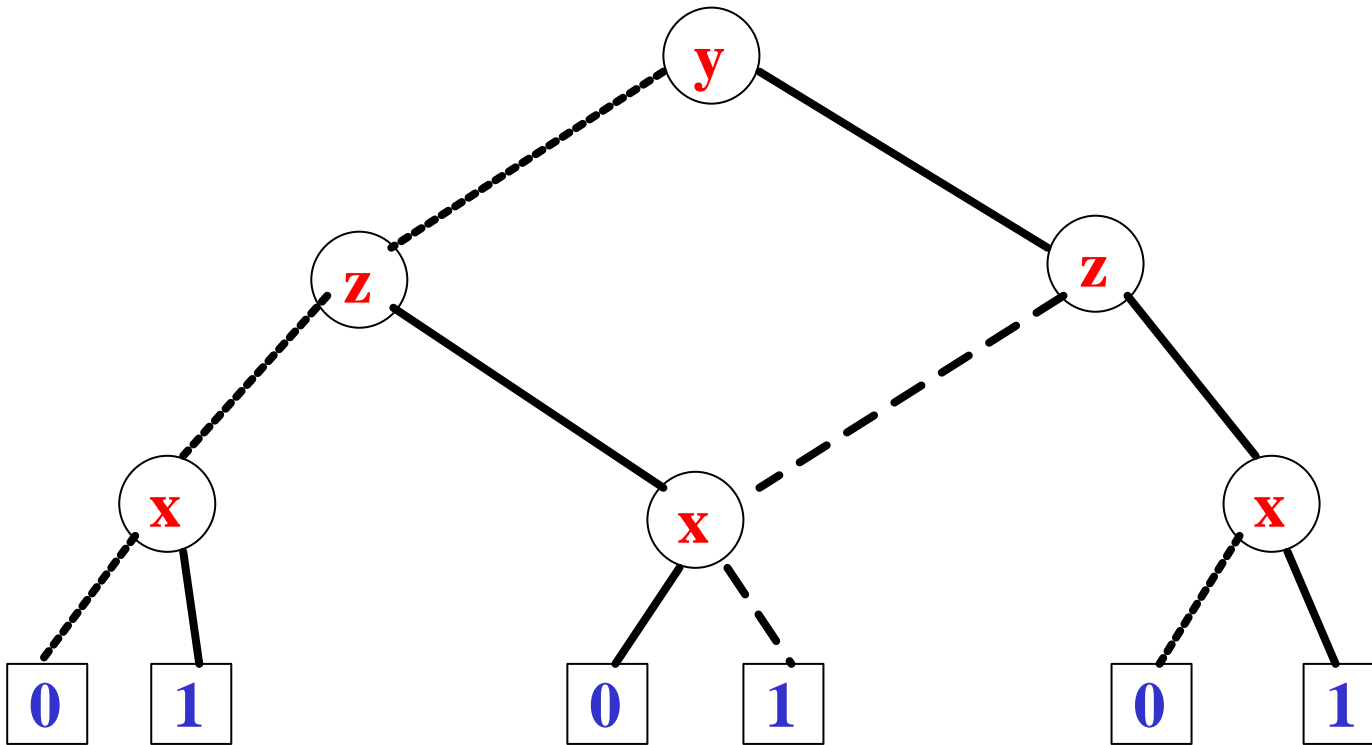


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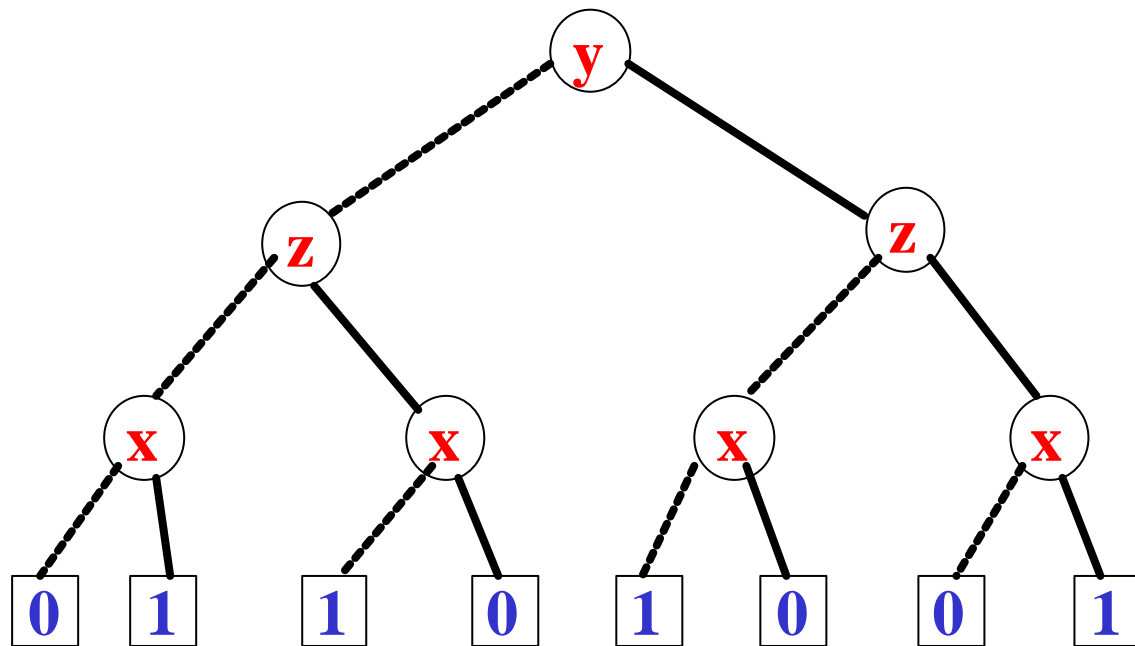


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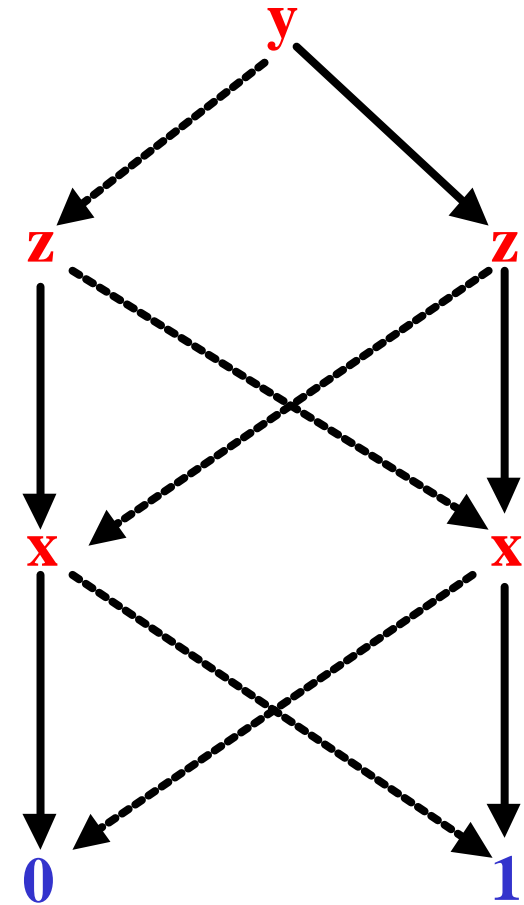
Reduced BDDs

- A **BDD** is *reduced iff* none of the three reduction rules can be applied to it.
- Start from the bottom layer (terminal nodes).
- *Apply* the *rules* repeatedly *to level i*. And then *move to level i-1* (in this way checking for applicability of R3 only needs testing whether $\mathbf{var(m)=var(n)}$, $\mathbf{low(m)=low(n)}$ and $\mathbf{high(m)=high(n)}$).
- Stop when the root node has been treated.
- This can be done efficiently.

Binary Decision Tree for



Reduced BDD



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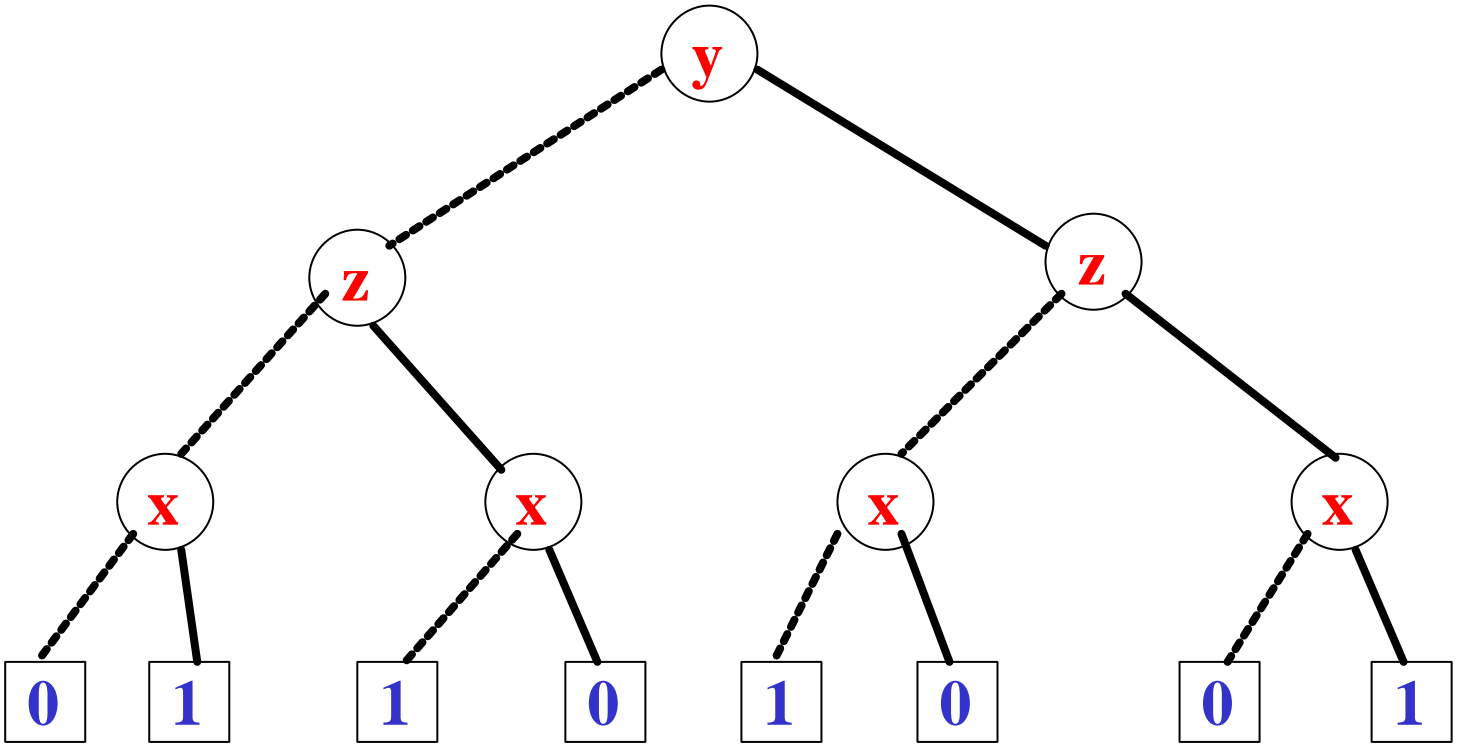
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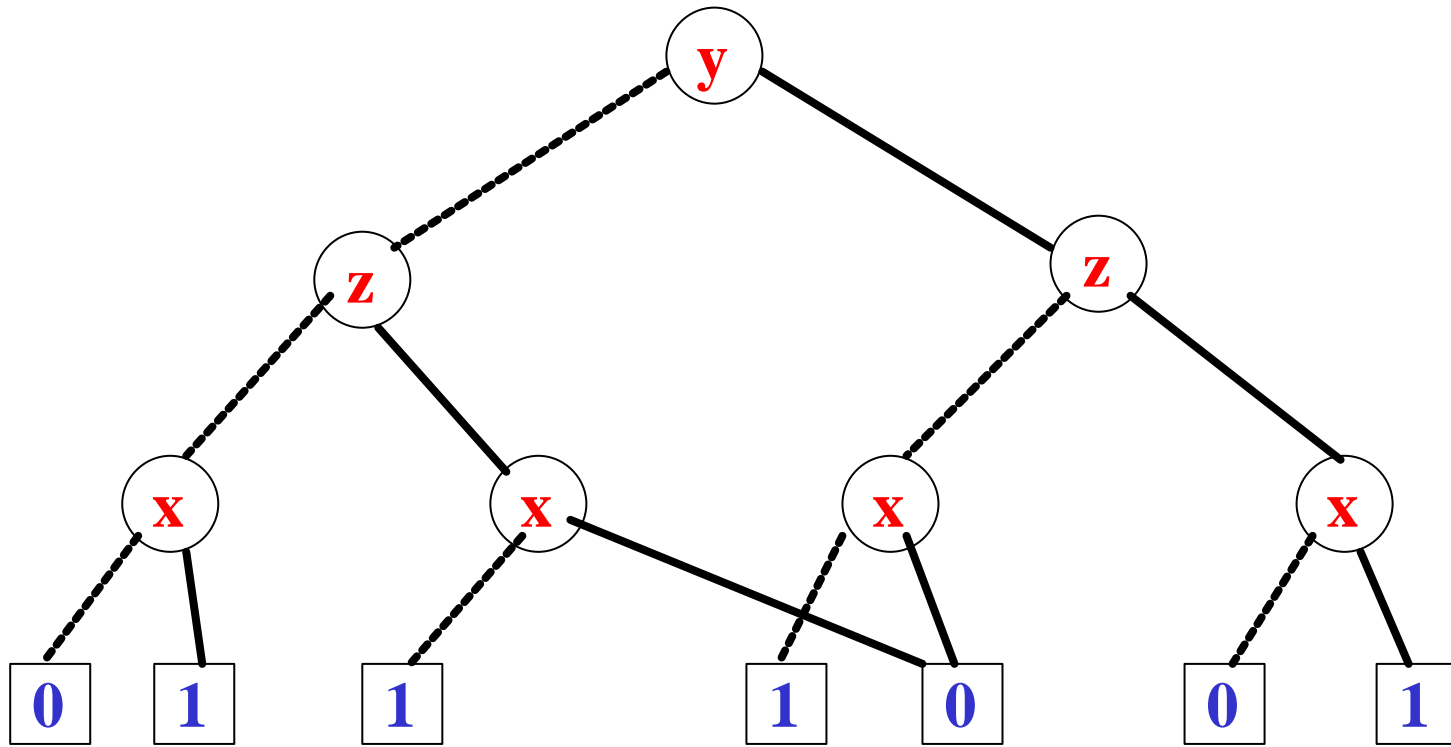
- $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$
 - An indexed (ordered) set of boolean variables.
 - $x_1 < x_2 \dots < x_n$
- **G** is an **ordered BDD** w.r.t. the above *variable ordering iff*:
 - Each variable that appears in **G** is in the above set. (but the converse may not be true).
 - If $i < j$ and x_i and x_j appear on a path then x_i **appears before x_j** .

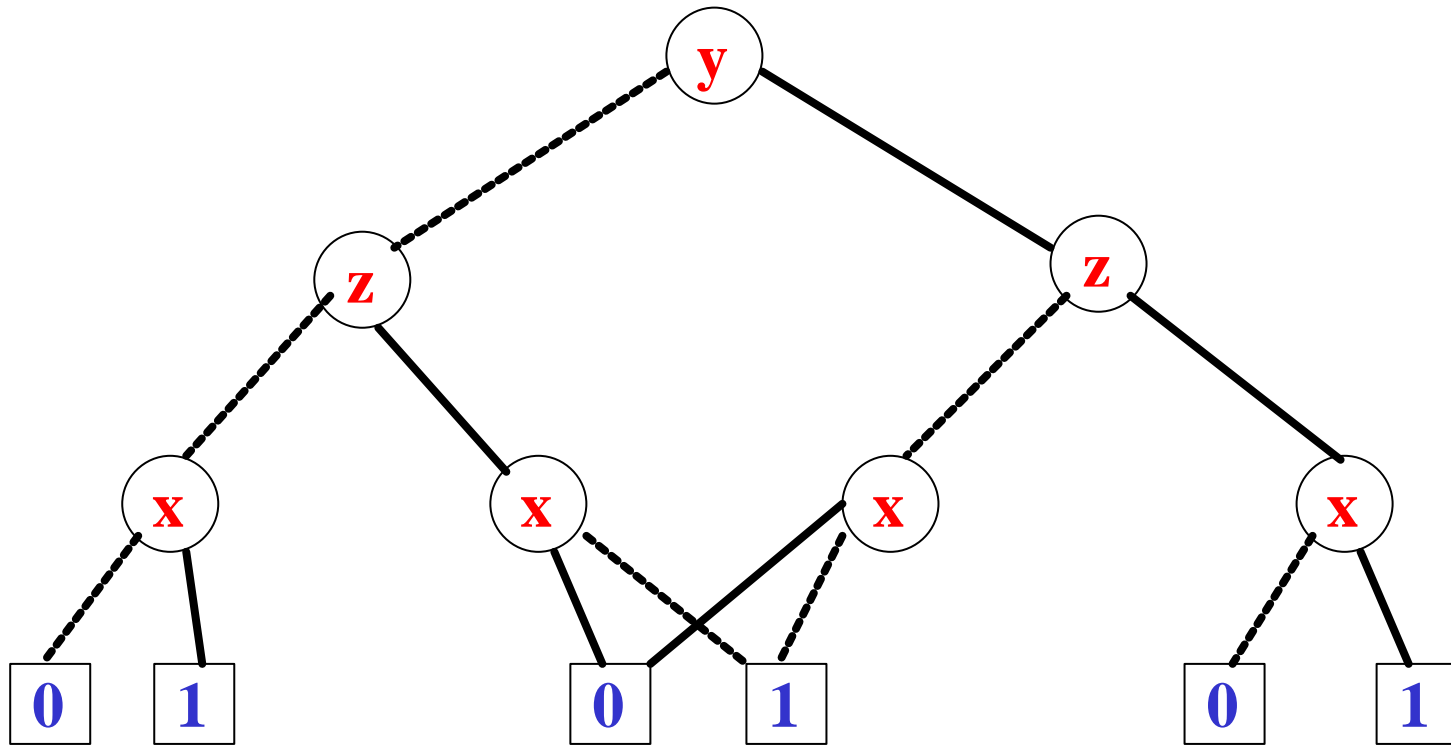
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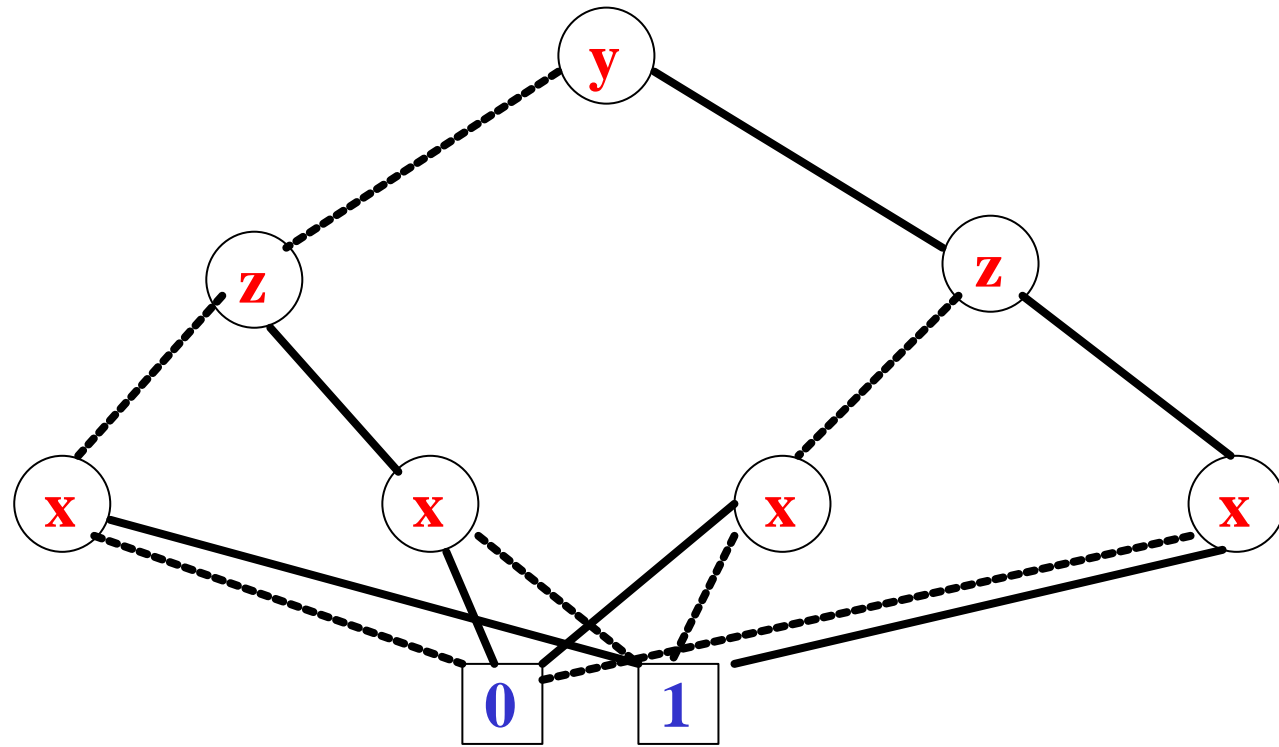
- Fundamental Fact:
 - For a fixed variable ordering, each boolean function has *exactly one* reduced Ordered BDD!
 - Reduced OBDDs are *canonical objects*.
 - To test if f and g are equal, we just have to check if **their** reduced **OBDDs** are **identical**.
 - This will be crucial for model checking!

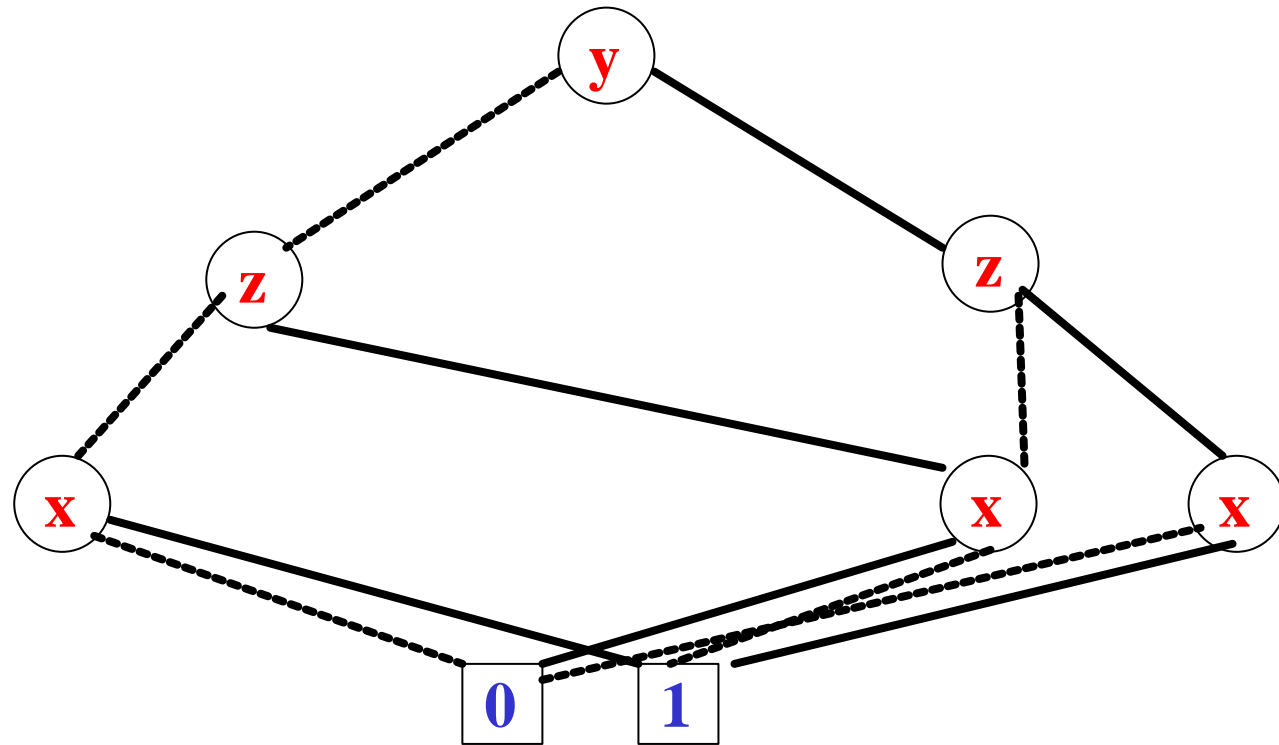
$y < z < x$

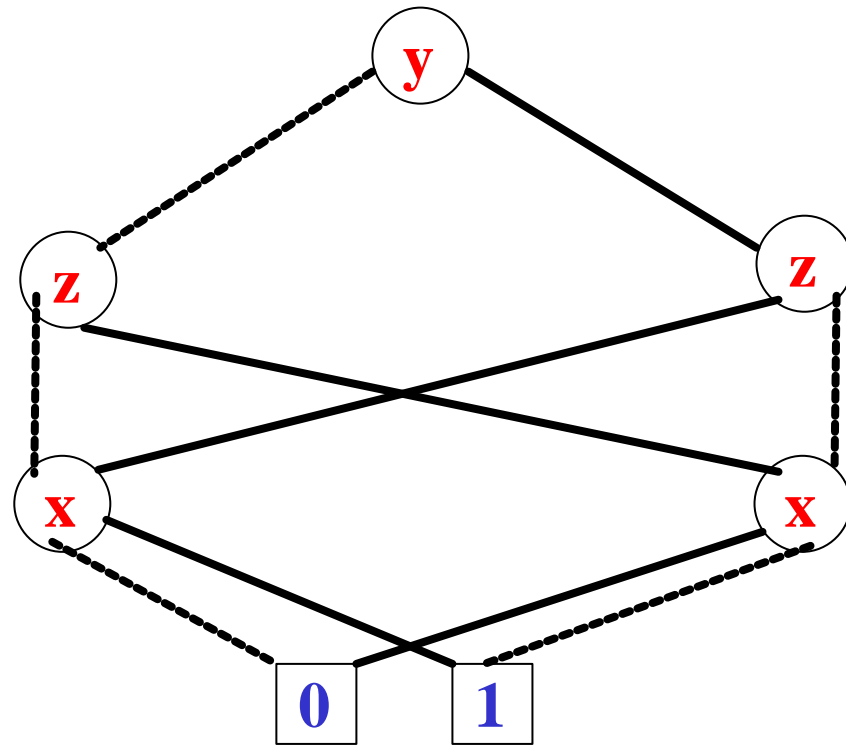












Reduced OBDD

- An **OBDD** is *reduced* (i.e. it is a **ROBDD**) if there are only *two terminal vertices* **0** and **1**, and for all *non terminal vertices* v, u :
 - $low(v) \neq high(v)$ (*non-redundant tests*)
 - $low(v) = low(u)$, $high(v) = high(u)$ and $var(v) = var(u)$ implies $v = u$ (*uniqueness*)

Canonicity of ROBDD

Let us denote a **ROBDD** with its *root node* and the *function* represented by *subgraph a rooted* in node u with f^u . Then:

Theorem: For any function $f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ *there exists a unique ROBDD u* with variable ordering x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n such that

$$f^u = f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

Consequences of canonicity

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Therefore we can say that:

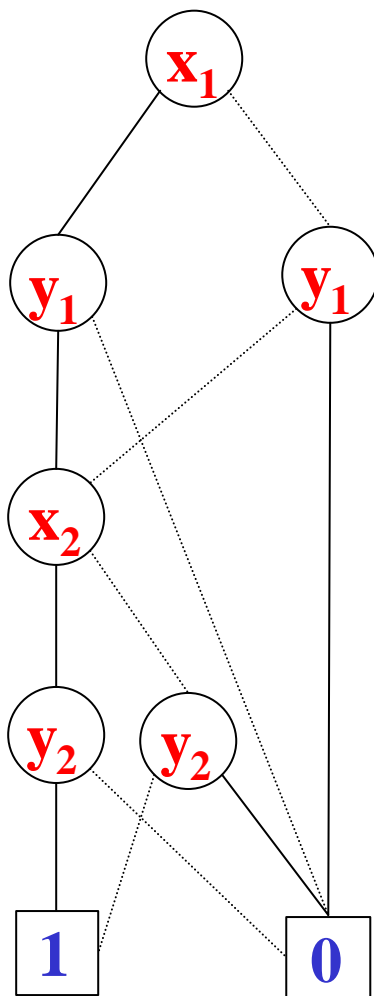
- A function f^u is a **tautology** if its **ROBDD u** is **equal** to **1**.
- A function f^u is a **satisfiable** if its **ROBDD u** is **not equal** to **0**.

Reduced OBDDs

- *The ordering is crucial!*
- $\{x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2\}$ $x_1 \ x_2$
 - $f(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$ $y_1 \ y_2$
 - $f(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2) = 1$ iff $(x_1 = y_1 \ \hat{\cup} \ x_2 = y_2)$
- If $x_1 < y_1 < x_2 < y_2$, then the **OBDD** is of size $3 \cdot 2 + 2 = 8$.
- If $x_1 < x_2 < y_1 < y_2$, then the **OBDD** is of size $3 \cdot 2^2 - 1 = 11$!

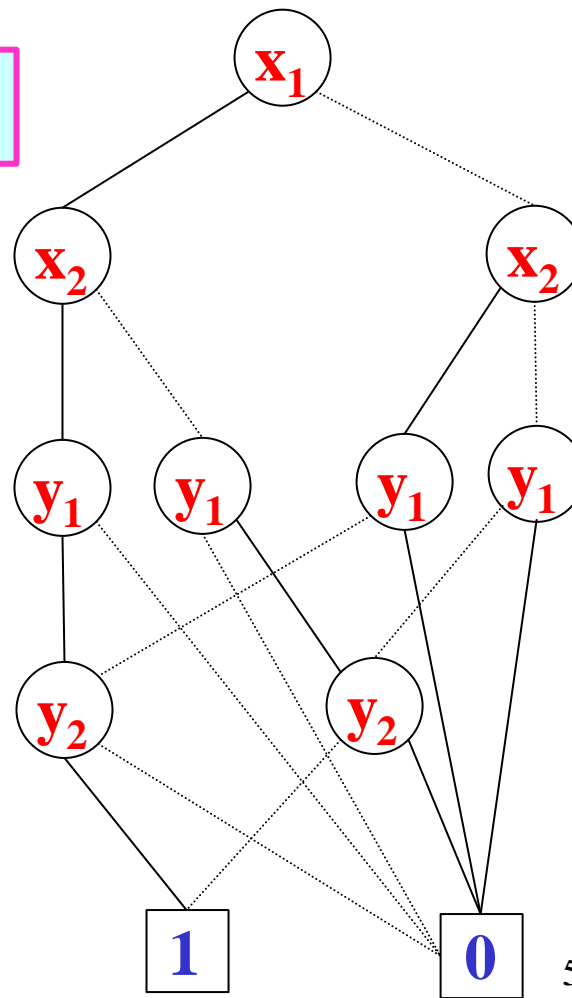
Reduced OBDDs

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$$(x_1 = y_1 \hat{\cup} x_2 = y_2)$$

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Reduced OBDDs

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$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \quad y_1 \ y_2 \ \dots \ y_n$$

$$- f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = 1 \quad \text{iff} \quad \bigwedge_{i=1}^n (x_i = y_i)$$

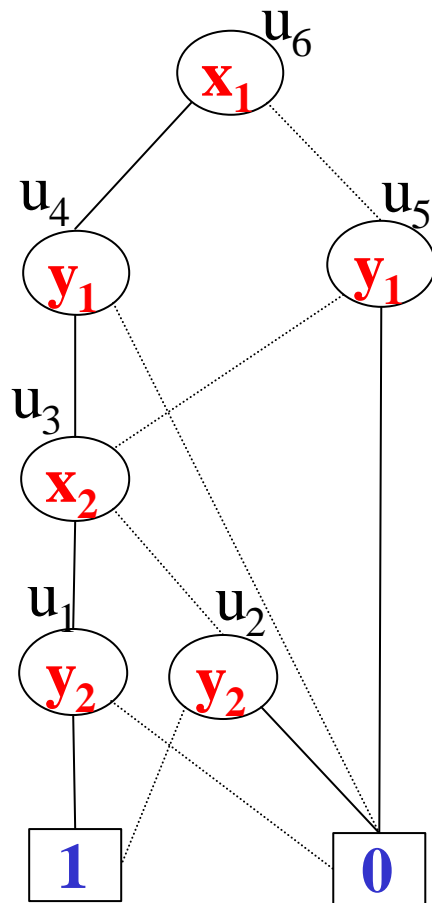
- If $x_1 < y_1 < x_2 < y_2 \dots < x_n < y_n$, then the **OBDD** is of size $3n + 2$.
- If $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n < y_1 < \dots < y_n$, then the **OBDD** is of size $3 \cdot 2^n - 1$!

ROBDDs

- Finding the *optimal variable ordering* is *computationally expensive* (NP-complete).
- There are *heuristics* for finding “*good orderings*”.
- There exist boolean functions whose sizes are *exponential* (in the number of variables) for any ordering.
- Functions encountered in practice are *rarely* of this kind.

Implementation of ROBDDs

Array-based implementation



$T[] =$

root = u_6

	Var	Low	High
0	?	?	?
1	?	?	?
u_1	y_2	0	1
u_2	y_2	1	0
u_3	x_2	u_2	u_1
u_4	y_2	0	u_3
u_5	y_1	0	u_3
u_6	x_1	u_5	u_4

The function MK

- The function **MK** searches for a node u with $var(u)=x_i$, $low(u)=l$ and $high(u)=h$. If the node does not exist, then creates the new node after inserting it. The running time is $O(1)$.

$H(i,l,h)$ is a hash function mapping a triple $\langle i,l,h \rangle$ into a node index in T .

Algorithm $mk(i,l,h)$

if $l=h$ then

return l

else if $T[H(i,l,h)] \neq \text{empty}$ then

return $T[H(i,l,h)]$

else $u = \text{add}(T,H(i,l,h),i,l,h)$

return u

Operations on ROBDDs.

- During model checking, boolean operations will have to be performed on **ROBDDs**.
- These operations can be implemented efficiently.
- $f \dot{\cup} g \text{ ----- } G_f \text{ op}_{\dot{\cup}} G_g = G_{f \dot{\cup} g}$
- There is a procedure called **APPLY** to do this.

Operations on ROBDDs

- When performing an operation on G and G' we assume their variable orderings are *compatible*.
- $X = X_G [X_{G'}$,
- There is an ordering $<$ on X such that:
 - $<$ restricted to X_G is $<_G$
 - $<$ restricted to $X_{G'}$ is $<_{G'}$.

Operations on OBDDs

- The basic idea (Shannon Expansion):

- $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

- $f|_{x_1=0} = f(0, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

- $f = x_1 \wedge (x_2 \wedge x_3)$

- $f|_{x_1=0} = x_2 \wedge x_3$

- Similarly, $f|_{x_1=1} = f(1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (0 \wedge x_1 \wedge f|_{x_1=0}) \vee (x_1 \wedge f|_{x_1=1})$$

- This is true even if x_1 does not appear in f !

Operations on OBDDs: Negation

- The basic idea (Shannon Expansion):

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (\neg x_1 \dot{\cup} f_{x_1=0}) \dot{\cup} (x_1 \dot{\cup} f_{x_1=1})$$

- Therefore, assuming $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$,

$$\begin{aligned} \neg f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= \neg ((\neg x_1 \dot{\cup} f_{x_1=0}) \dot{\cup} (x_1 \dot{\cup} f_{x_1=1})) \\ &= (\neg(\neg x_1 \dot{\cup} f_{x_1=0}) \dot{\cup} \neg(x_1 \dot{\cup} f_{x_1=1})) \\ &= ((x_1 \dot{\cup} \neg f_{x_1=0}) \dot{\cup} (\neg x_1 \dot{\cup} \neg f_{x_1=1})) \\ &= (x_1 \dot{\cup} \neg x_1) \dot{\cup} (\neg x_1 \dot{\cup} \neg f_{x_1=0}) \dot{\cup} \\ &\quad \dot{\cup} (x_1 \dot{\cup} \neg f_{x_1=1}) \dot{\cup} (\neg f_{x_1=0} \dot{\cup} \neg f_{x_1=1}) \\ &= (\neg x_1 \dot{\cup} \neg f_{x_1=0}) \dot{\cup} (x_1 \dot{\cup} \neg f_{x_1=1}) \end{aligned}$$

Operations on ROBDDs.

- Let x be the top variable of G_f and y the top variable of G_g .
- To compute $G_{f \text{ op } g}$ we consider:

CASE1: $x = y$

$$\begin{aligned} \blacksquare f \text{ op } g = & (\emptyset_x \dot{\cup} (f|_{x=0} \text{ op } g|_{x=0}) \dot{\cup} \\ & (x \dot{\cup} (f|_{x=1} \text{ op } g|_{x=1})) \end{aligned}$$

- We have to solve now two **smaller** problems!

Operations on ROBDDs.

- Let x be the top variable of G_f and y the top variable of G_g .
- To compute $G_{f \text{ op } g}$ we consider:
 - CASE2: $x < y$.**
 - Then x does not appear in G_g (why?).
 - $g|_{x=0} = g = g|_{x=1}$
 - $f \text{ op } g = (\emptyset_x \dot{\cup} (f|_{x=0} \text{ op } g)) \dot{\cup} (x \dot{\cup} (f|_{x=1} \text{ op } g))$
 - We have to solve now two **smaller** problems!
 - CASE2: $x > y$** is symmetric.

Operations on ROBDDs.

- To compute $G_{f \text{ op } g}$ we consider:
Base (terminal) cases depend upon **op**
Eg.: if **op** = \hat{U} then $\{0,0 \textcircled{R} \mathbf{0}; \mathbf{1}\}$
if **op** = \hat{V} then $\{1,1 \textcircled{R} \mathbf{1}; \mathbf{0}\}$
....

Algorithm for Apply

Algorithm `Apply(op,u,v)`

Function `App(u,v)`

if `terminal_case(op,u,v)` **then** **return** `op(u,v)`

else if `var(u) = var(v)` **then**

`u = mk(var(u), App(op,low(u),low(v)),
App(op,high(u),high(v)))`

else if `var(u) < var(v)` **then**

`u = mk(var(u),App(op,low(u), v), App(op,high(u),v))`

else */** `var(u) > var(v)` **/*

`u = mk(var(u),App(op,u,low(v)), App(op,u,high(v)))`

return `u`

return `App(u,v)`

running time = $O(2^n)$. Why?

n = number of variables.

Efficient algorithm for Apply

Algorithm `Apply(op,u,v)`

init(G_{op})

Function `App(u,v)`

if $G_{op}(u,v)$ ¹ **empty** **then return** $G_{op}(u,v)$

else if `terminal_case(op,u,v)` **then return** `op(u,v)`

else if `var(u)=var(v)` **then**

r = `mk(var(u), App(op,low(u),low(v)),
App(op,high(u),high(v)))`

else if `var(u) < var(v)` **then**

r = `mk(var(u),App(op,low(u), v), App(op,high(u),v))`

else /* `var(u) > var(v)` */

r = `mk(var(u),App(op,u,low(v)), App(op,u,high(v)))`

$G_{op}(u,v) = r$

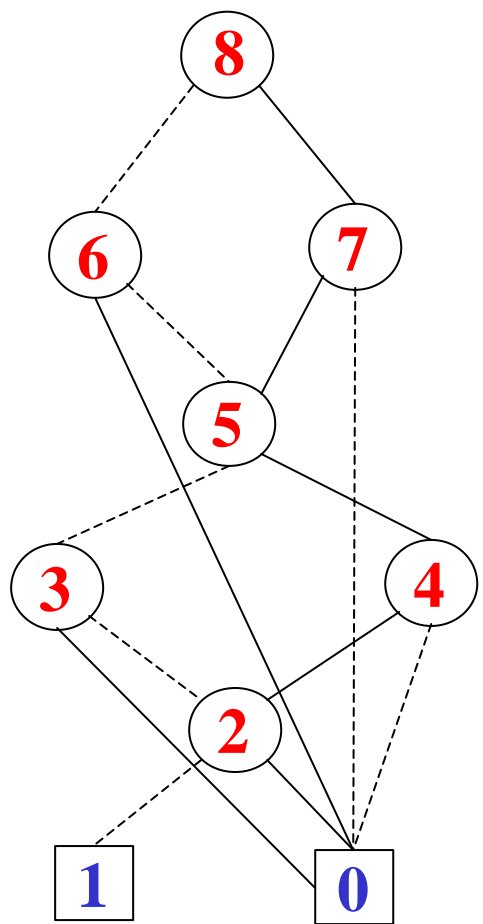
return `r`

return `App(u,v)`

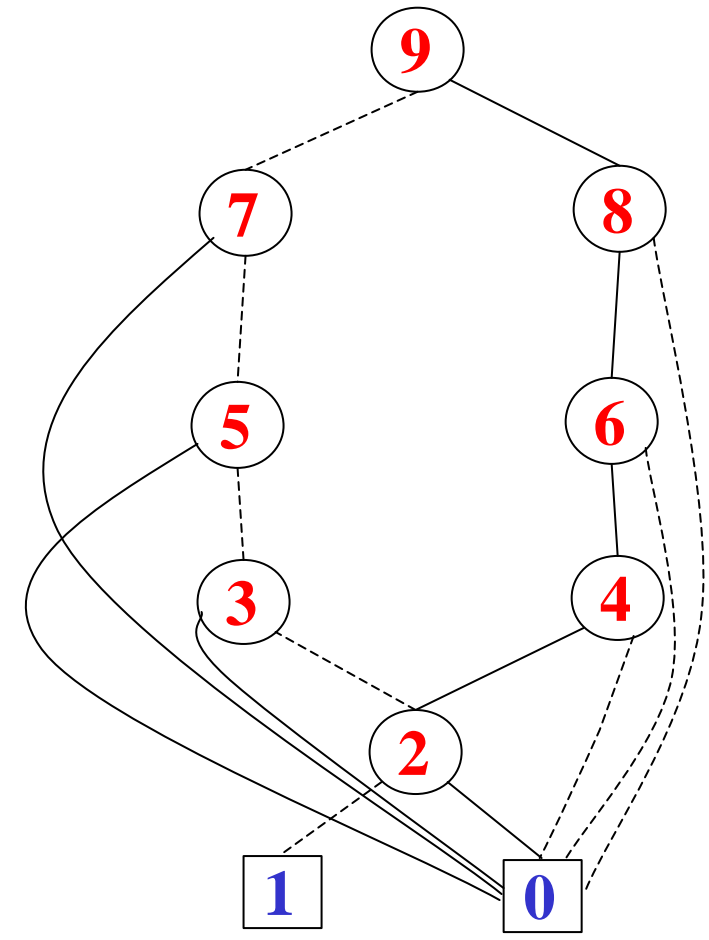
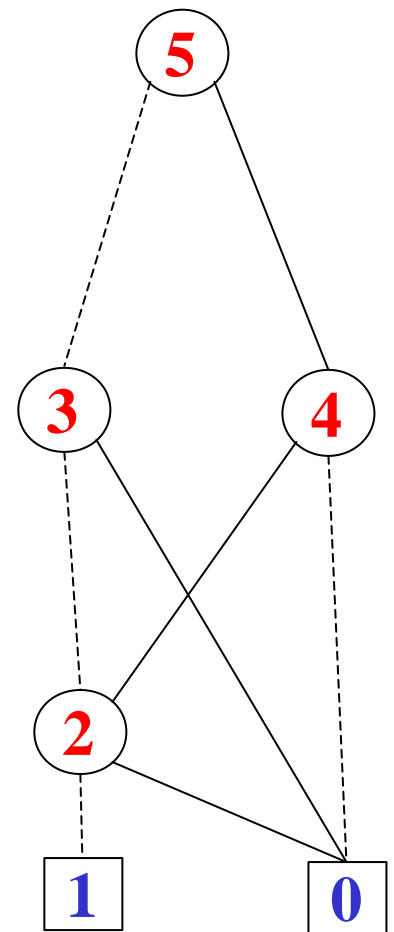
running time = $O(|G_u||G_v|)$. Why?

Example of Apply \hat{A}

$$\boxed{(x_1 \circ x_2) \hat{\cup} (x_3 \circ x_4) \hat{\cup} \emptyset_{x_5}} \hat{\cup} \boxed{(x_1 \circ x_3) \hat{\cup} \emptyset_{x_5}} = \boxed{\begin{aligned} &((x_1 \hat{\cup} x_2 \hat{\cup} x_3 \hat{\cup} x_4) \hat{\cup} \\ &\hat{\cup} (\emptyset_{x_1} \hat{\cup} \emptyset_{x_2} \hat{\cup} \emptyset_{x_3} \hat{\cup} \emptyset_{x_4})) \hat{\cup} \emptyset_{x_5} \end{aligned}}$$



x_1
 x_2
 x_3
 x_4
 x_5



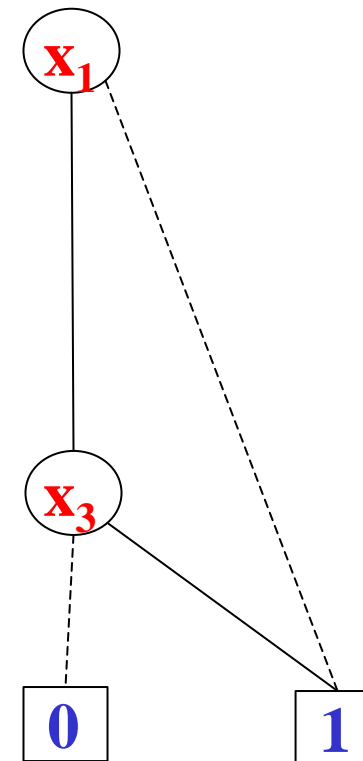
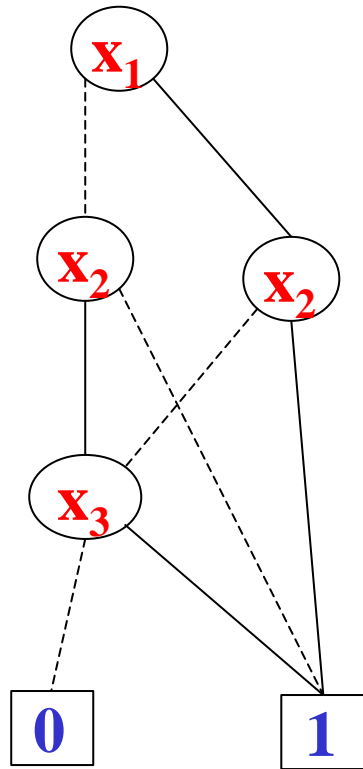
The Restrict operation

- **Problem:** Given a (partial) truth assignment $x_1=b_1, \dots, x_k=b_k$ (where $b_j=0$ or $b_j=1$), and a ROBDD t^u , compute the restriction of t^u under the assignment.
- E.G.: if $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = ((x_1 \hat{\cup} x_2) \dot{\cup} x_3)$ we want to compute $f(x_1, x_2, x_3)[0/x_2] = f(x_1, 0, x_3)$
i.e.: $f(x_1, 0, x_3) = \emptyset x_1 \dot{\cup} x_3$

Restrict Operation: example

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = ((x_1 \hat{U} x_2) \dot{U} x_3)$$

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3)[0/x_2] = \emptyset x_1 \dot{U} x_3$$



Restrict Operation

- Let \mathbf{x} be the root of \mathbf{G}_f
- To compute $\mathbf{G}_f|_{y=b}$ we consider:

CASE1: $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$

- $\mathbf{f}|_{y=b} = \mathbf{low}(\mathbf{G}_f)$ if $b=0$
- $\mathbf{f}|_{y=b} = \mathbf{high}(\mathbf{G}_f)$ if $b=1$

Restrict Operation

- Let \mathbf{x} be the root of \mathbf{G}_f
- To compute $\mathbf{G}_{f|_{y=b}}$ we consider:

CASE2: $x > y$

$$\blacksquare \mathbf{f}|_{y=b} = \mathbf{f}$$

Restrict Operation

- Let \mathbf{x} be the root of \mathbf{G}_f
- To compute $\mathbf{G}_f|_{y=b}$ we consider:
 CASE2: $\mathbf{x} < \mathbf{y}$
 - $\mathbf{f}|_{y=b} = (\emptyset \ \mathbf{x} \ \dot{\cup} \ (\mathbf{f}|_{x=0})|_{y=b}) \ \dot{\cup} \ (\mathbf{x} \ \dot{\cup} \ (\mathbf{f}|_{x=1})|_{y=b})$
- We have to solve now two **smaller** problems!

Algorithm for Restrict

Algorithm Restrict(u,i,b)

Function Res(u)

if var(u) > i then return u

else if var(u) < i then

return mk(var(u),Res(low(u)),Res(high(u)))

else /* var(u) = i */

if b = 0 then

return Res(low(u))

else /* var(u) = i and b = 1 */

return Res(high(u))

return Res(u)

running time = $O(2^n)$. Why?

Efficient algorithm for Restrict

Algorithm Restrict(u,i,b)

init(G_{res})

Function Res(u)

if $G_{res}(u) \neq \emptyset$ then return $G_{res}(u)$

if $var(u) > i$ then return u

else if $var(u) < i$ then

$r = mk(var(u), Res(low(u)), Res(high(u)))$

else /* $var(u) = var(v)$ */

if $b = 0$ then

$r = Res(low(u))$

else /* $var(u) = var(v)$ and $b = 1$ */

$r = Res(high(u))$

$G_{res}(u) = r$

return r

return Res(u)

running time = $O(|G_u|)$. Why?

Quantification

- Extend the boolean language with

$$\text{\$x.t} \mid \text{" x.t}$$

- They can be defined in terms of ROBDD operations:

$$\text{\$x.t} = t[0/x] \dot{\cup} t[1/x]$$

$$\text{" x.t} = t[0/x] \dot{\cup} t[1/x]$$

We can use an appropriate combination of *Restrict* and *Apply*

Symbolic CTL Model Checking

- Represent the required **subsets of states** as boolean functions and hence as **ROBDDs**.
- Represent the **transition relation** as a boolean function and hence as a **ROBDD**.
- Reduce the iterative **fixed point computations** of the model checking process to **operations on OBDDs**.
- Check for the **termination** of the **fixpoint** computation by checking **ROBDD equivalence**.

Symbolic Model Checking

- $\mathbf{K} = (\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{S}_0, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{AP}, \mathbf{L})$
- Assume that if $\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{s}) = \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{s}')$ then $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{s}'$.
 - If not, *add* a few *new atomic propositions* if necessary, so as to distinguish states only based on labeling.
- $\mathbf{AP} = \{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}\}$
- $\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{s}) = \{\mathbf{p}\}$
 - $\mathbf{f}_s = \mathbf{p} \dot{\cup} \emptyset \mathbf{q} \dot{\cup} \emptyset \mathbf{r}$
- $\mathbf{f}_{\{s_1, s_2, s_5\}} = \mathbf{f}_{s_1} \dot{\cup} \mathbf{f}_{s_2} \dot{\cup} \mathbf{f}_{s_5}$

Symbolic Model Checking

- $\mathbf{K} = (\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{S}_0, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{AP}, \mathbf{L})$
- $\mathbf{AP} = \{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}\}$
- *Add* the next-state boolean variables $\{\mathbf{p}', \mathbf{q}', \mathbf{r}'\}$
- Suppose $(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$ in \mathbf{R} (i.e. $\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$)
with $\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{s}_1) = \{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}\}$ and $\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{s}_2) = \{\mathbf{r}\}$.

Then $\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)} = \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{s}_1} \hat{\cup} \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{s}_2}$.

– where $\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{s}_1} = \mathbf{p} \hat{\cup} \mathbf{q} \hat{\cup} \emptyset \mathbf{r}$ and $\mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{s}_2} = \emptyset \mathbf{p}' \hat{\cup} \emptyset \mathbf{q}' \hat{\cup} \mathbf{r}'$

- $\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{R}} = \hat{\cup}_{(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2) \in \mathbf{R}} (\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)})$
- Choose the ordering $\mathbf{p} < \mathbf{p}' < \mathbf{q} < \mathbf{q}' < \mathbf{r} < \mathbf{r}'$!

CTL symbolic Model Checking

- $||[\mathbf{x}_i]|| = \mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{x}_i}(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) = \mathbf{x}_i$
(the OBDD for the *boolean variable* \mathbf{x}_i)
- $||[\neg f]|| = \neg \mathbf{f}_f(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)$
(apply negation to the OBDD for f)
- $||[f \dot{\cup} y]|| = \mathbf{f}_f(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) \dot{\cup} \mathbf{f}_y(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)$
(apply $\dot{\cup}$ operation to the OBDDs for f and y)
- $||[f \ddot{\cup} y]|| = \mathbf{f}_f(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) \ddot{\cup} \mathbf{f}_y(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)$
(apply $\ddot{\cup}$ operation to the OBDDs for f and y)

CTL Symbolic Model Checking

- $\llbracket \mathbf{EX} f \rrbracket = \exists \mathbf{x}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}'_n (f_f(\mathbf{x}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}'_n) \hat{\cup} f_R(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}'_n))$

This is also called the *relational product*, or the *pre-image of* $\llbracket f \rrbracket$ by R (see *Section 6.6* in *Clarke's book* for a more *efficient algorithm*).

- $\llbracket \mathbf{EU}(f, y) \rrbracket = \mathbf{mZ}.(f_y(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) \hat{\cup} (f_f(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) \hat{\cup} \mathbf{EX} Z))$
- $\llbracket \mathbf{EG} f \rrbracket = \mathbf{nZ}.(f_f(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) \hat{\cup} \mathbf{EX} Z)$

Symbolic model checking: example

Let $V = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, then $\llbracket \mathbf{EG} y \rrbracket$ can be computed as follows:

1. Assume the ROBDD $f_y(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ has been computed.
2. Set $X_0 = f_y(x'_1, \dots, x'_n)$ [computed from $f_y(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ by *substitution*]
3. We need to compute $X_{i+1} = X_i \text{ } \zeta \text{ } Y_i$ where:

$$Y_i = \text{\$}x'_1, \dots, x'_n(f_y(x'_1, \dots, x'_n) \hat{\cup} f_R(x_1, \dots, x_n, x'_1, \dots, x'_n))$$
 X_{i+1} can easily be computed as $X_i \hat{\cup} Y_i$
4. Check **whether** $X_{i+1} = X_i$ by checking whether the corresponding ROBDDs are **identical**.
5. **If not**, substitute the *next-state* variables for the *state-variables* in X_{i+1} , and repeat from **step 3**.

Algorithm Compute_EG(β)

$f_1(x) := f_b(x);$

$j=1;$

repeat

$j := j+1;$

$f_j := f_b(x) \hat{\cup} \{x'.(f_R(x, x') \hat{\cup} f_{j-1}(x'))\};$

until $f_j(x) = f_{j-1}(x);$

Algorithm Compute_EU(β_1, β_2)

$f_1(x) := f_{b_2}(x);$

$j=1;$

repeat

$j := j+1;$

$f_j := f_{b_2}(x) \hat{\cup} (f_{b_1}(x) \hat{\cup} \{x'.(f_R(x, x') \hat{\cup} f_{j-1}(x'))\});$

until $f_j(x) = f_{j-1}(x);$

CTL Symbolic model checking

Finally, assuming boolean variable $V = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$,
and the ROBDD for $\llbracket f \rrbracket$ already computed.

- Checking whether

$$K \models f$$

amounts to checking whether the ROBDD
for $f_{\text{Init}} \hat{\cup} f_{\neg f}$ is **identical** to the ROBDD for 0 ,
where f_{Init} is the ROBDD for the set **Init** of
initial states of **K**.

(remember that $K \models f$ iff $\text{Init} \cap \llbracket f \rrbracket \neq \emptyset$)

Symbolic Model Checking

- The actual Kripke structure will be, in general, too large.
 - **State explosion.**
- So one must try to **compute the ROBDDs directly from the system model (NuSMV program)** and run the model checking procedure with the help of this **implicit** representation.
 - **Symbolic model checking.**
- This may not be sufficient, though! **Additional techniques may be needed** (e.g., **abstraction**).₃₉