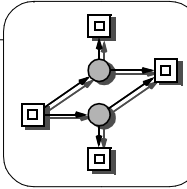
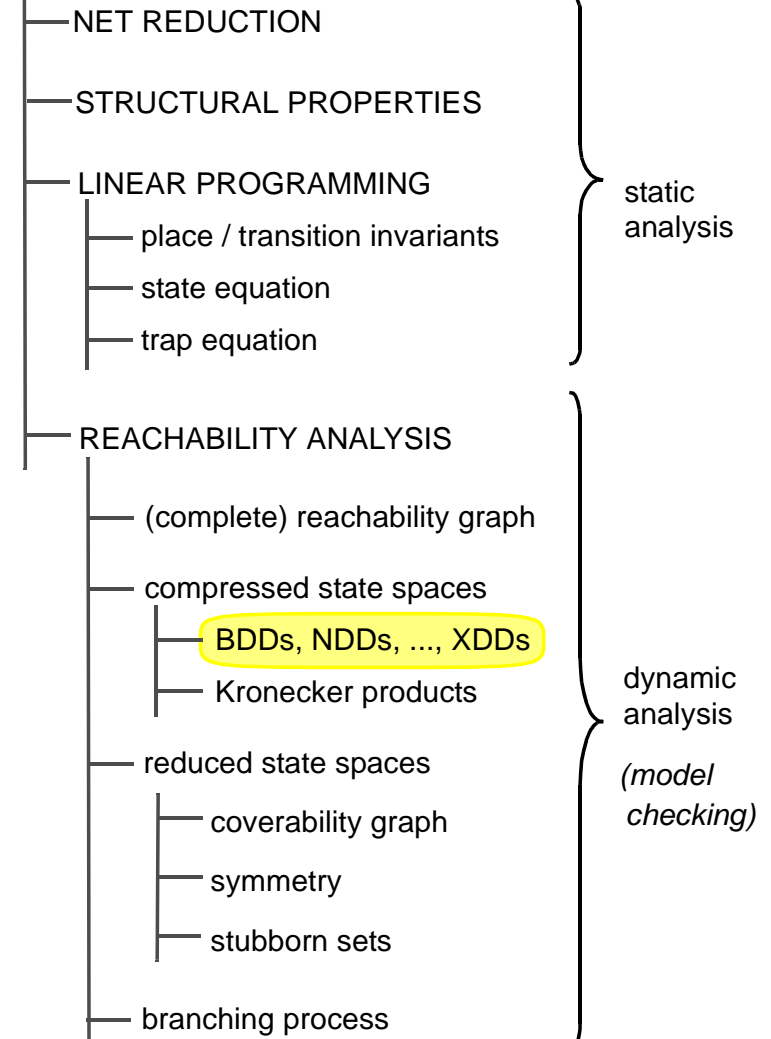
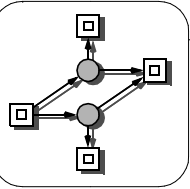


# COMPRESSED STATE SPACE REPRESENTATIONS - BINARY DECISION DIAGRAMS



## QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS METHODS, OVERVIEW





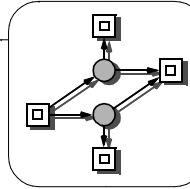
## BINARY DECISION DIAGRAM (BDD)

- general data structure to implement efficiently Boolean functions

$$f: B^n \rightarrow B$$

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow \{T, F\}, x_i \in \{T, F\}$$

- worst-case effort  
-> *exponential*
- BUT, for many real-live examples  
-> *much better*
- source of origin  
-> *hardware design and verification*
- basis for many successful analysis tools, e.g.
  - > *SVM, NuSVM (communicating state machines)*
  - ...
  - > *BDD-CTL, BDD-LTL -> MARCIE (1-bounded Petri nets)*
  - > *Rabbit (Cottbus timed automata)*



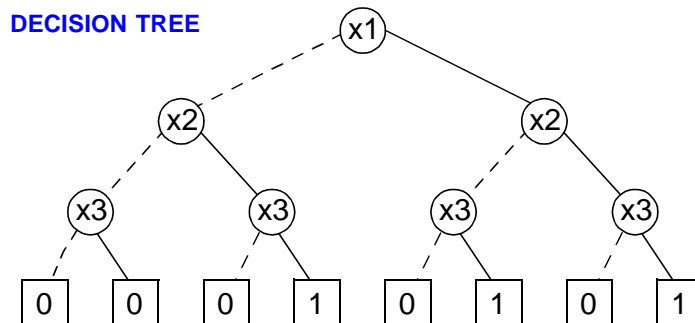
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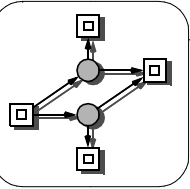
$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge x_3$$

### DECISION TABLE

x1	x2	x3	f
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
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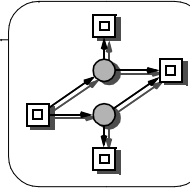
### DECISION TREE





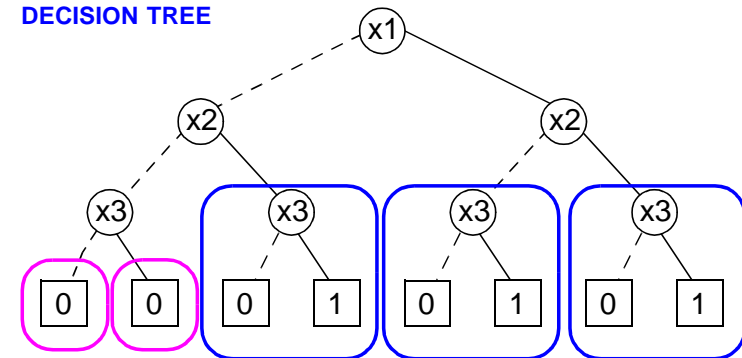
### DECISION TREE, PROPERTIES

- two node types
  - > *non-terminal nodes - Boolean variables*
  - > *terminal nodes - function values {T, F}*
  
- each non-terminal node has two outgoing arcs
  - > *lo : value of variable is false*    - - - -
  - > *hi : value of variable is true*    ————
  
- **variables are totally ordered**
  - > *the variables appear in the same order along each path (root, terminal node)*
  
- terminal nodes - from left to right - correspond to table function values - from top to bottom -
  
- obvious procedure to determine the function value for a given setting of the Boolean variables



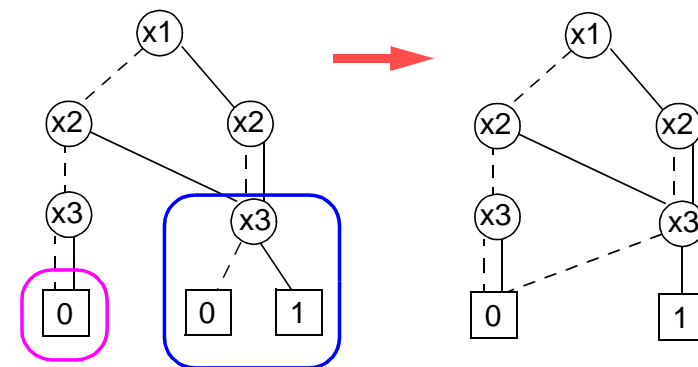
### BDD, EXAMPLE 1 (2)

#### DECISION TREE



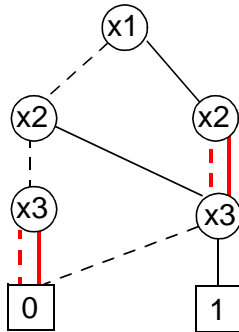
REDUCTION RULE 1

#### DAG - DIRECTED ACYCLIC ROOT GRAPH



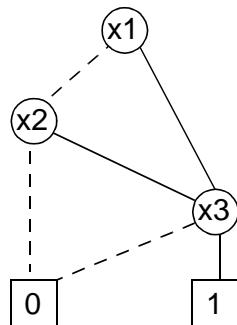
### BDD, EXAMPLE 1 (3)

OBDD



REDUCTION RULE 2

ROBDD

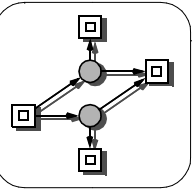


5 nodes, 6 arcs  
instead of  
15 nodes, 14 arcs

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge x_3$$

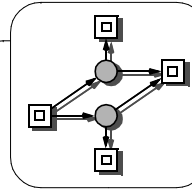
### REDUCED ORDERED BINARY DECISION DIAGRAM

- the success story of ROBDDs relies on the properties
  - > *ordered*
  - > *reduced*
  - > *in the following, BDD stands shortly for ROBDD*
  
- no further reduction possible**
  - > *no isomorphic subtrees (rule 1)*  
*(equally named nodes with similar subtrees)*
  - > *no node with identical successors (rule 2)*
  
- directed acyclic root graph (DARG)**
  - > *direction always from top to bottom*
  - > *no cycles, but rejoining (opposite to trees)*
  - > *all nodes reachable starting at root node*
  
- unique result**
  - > *for a given total order of all variables*
  - > *insensitive to the order of reductions applied*
  
- canonical representation** for Boolean functions
  - > *some decision problems turn into easy ones*



## BDD-BASED SOLUTION OF SOME DECISION PROBLEMS

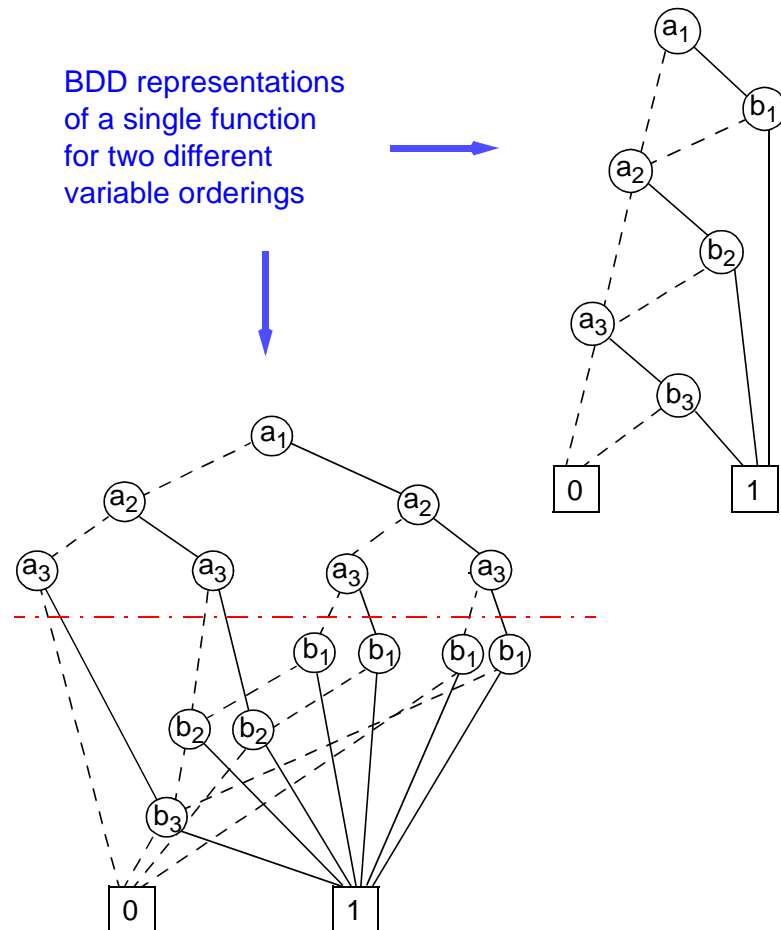
- **equivalence** of two given functions  $f$  and  $g$   
 (the same function values for all variable settings)  
 ->  $BDD(f)$  is isomorphic to  $BDD(g)$   
 in node and arc inscriptions
- a given function  $f$  is a **tautology**  
 (the function value is true for all variable settings)  
 ->  $BDD(f) \rightarrow \boxed{1}$
- a given function  $f$  is **satisfiable**  
 (there is at least one variable setting yielding true)  
 ->  $BDD(f)$  contains the node  $\boxed{1}$
- the function  $f$  is independent of a given variable  $x$   
 -> the  $BDD(f)$  does not contain a node  $x$

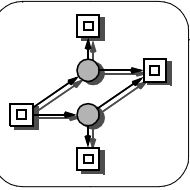


## BDD, EXAMPLE 2

$$f(a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2, a_3, b_3) = a_1 \wedge b_1 \vee a_2 \wedge b_2 \vee a_3 \wedge b_3$$

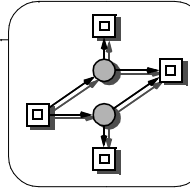
BDD representations of a single function for two different variable orderings





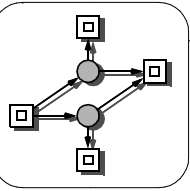
## OBSERVATIONS BY EXAMPLE 2

- ❑ the reduction effect may depend on the chosen order of all variables
- ❑ worst-case: there is no reduction  
-> *space demand grows exponentially with number of variables*
- ❑ successful tools apply successful heuristics to determine a suitable (not necessarily optimal) order of variables
- ❑ the chosen order of variables does not influence the correctness of the result
- ❑ despite of the exponential growth in the worst case, BDDs are often successful for real-live examples



## BDD CONSTRUCTION

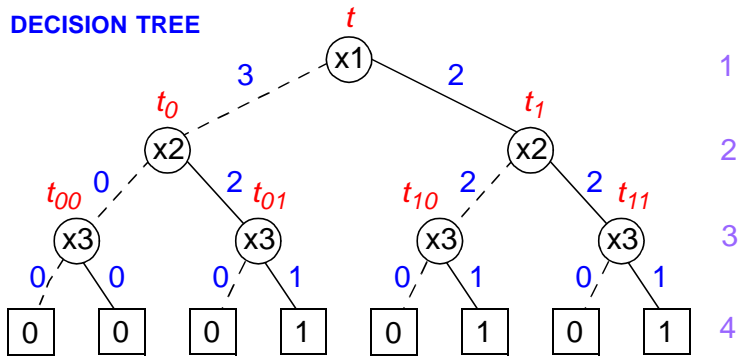
- ❑ **objective:**  
*no a posteriori reduction necessary*
- ❑ **approach 1:**  
top-down on-the-fly construction
- ❑ **approach 2:**  
syntax-oriented bottom-up construction by step-wise composition of two BDDs  
-> *Boolean operations to combine two BDDs*
- ❑ **there exist very efficient algorithms for both approaches**



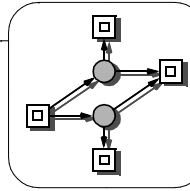
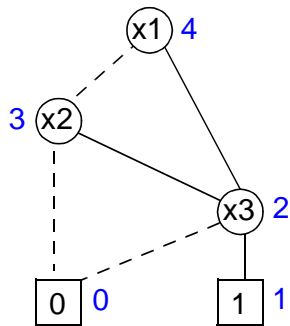
## TOP-DOWN APPROACH, BDD EXAMPLE 1

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge x_3$$

### DECISION TREE

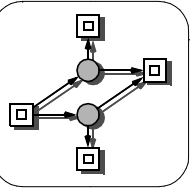


### ROBDD



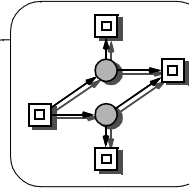
## BDD & PETRI NET (1)

- 1-bounded Petri nets
  - > a place may be interpreted as Boolean variable
- different ways to represent a marking  $m$ 
  - > set of marked places (subset of  $P$ ) ->  $\{p_1, p_4\}$
  - > bit vector  $b[1..n]$ ,  $n = \text{card}(P)$ , with ->  $(1,0,0,1)$ 
    - $b_i = 0$ , if  $p_i \notin m$
    - $b_i = 1$ , if  $p_i \in m$
  - > Boolean function ->  $p_1 \wedge \overline{p_2} \wedge \overline{p_3} \wedge p_4$   
 conjunction of all variables,  
 whereby non-marked places are negated  
 -->> characteristic function  $\chi_m$
- set of markings  $M$  (-> state space)
  - > set of bit vectors
  - > characteristic function  $\chi_M$  of  $M$ 
    - >  $n$ -ary Boolean function,  
 yielding the function value 'true'  
 for all markings belonging to  $M$
    - > BDD representation on hand  
 (often called **symbolic representation**)



## BDD & PETRI NET (2)

- all operations on sets of markings can be realized as logical operations on their characteristic functions
  - >  $\chi_{M1 \cup M2} \equiv \chi_{M1} \vee \chi_{M2}$
  - >  $\chi_{M1 \cap M2} \equiv \chi_{M1} \wedge \chi_{M2}$
  - >  $\chi_{\overline{M}} \equiv \overline{\chi_M}$
  
- that's all we need to implement BDD-based Petri net analysis algorithms
  - > **symbolic Petri net analysis**  
with symbolic representation of marking sets
  
- remark:  
larger sets may result into smaller BDDs than smaller sets



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