



Advances in Search and Inference for Graphical Models

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Constraint Networks

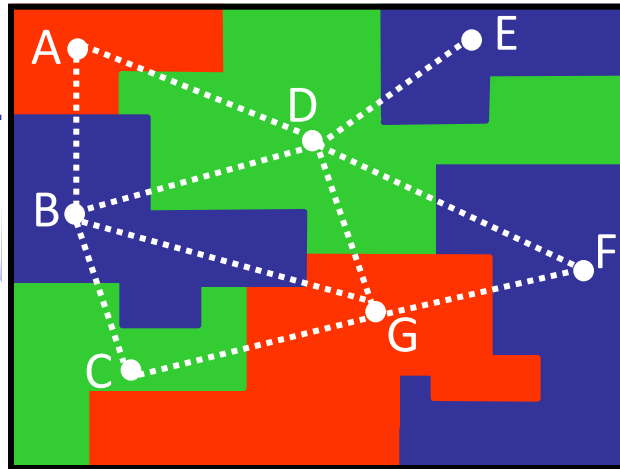
Map coloring

Variables: countries (A B C etc.)

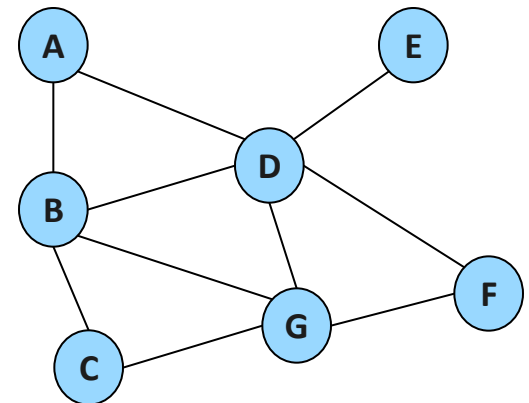
Values: colors (red green blue)

Constraints: **A ≠ B, A ≠ D, D ≠ E, ...**

A	B
red	green
red	yellow
green	red
green	yellow
yellow	green
yellow	red

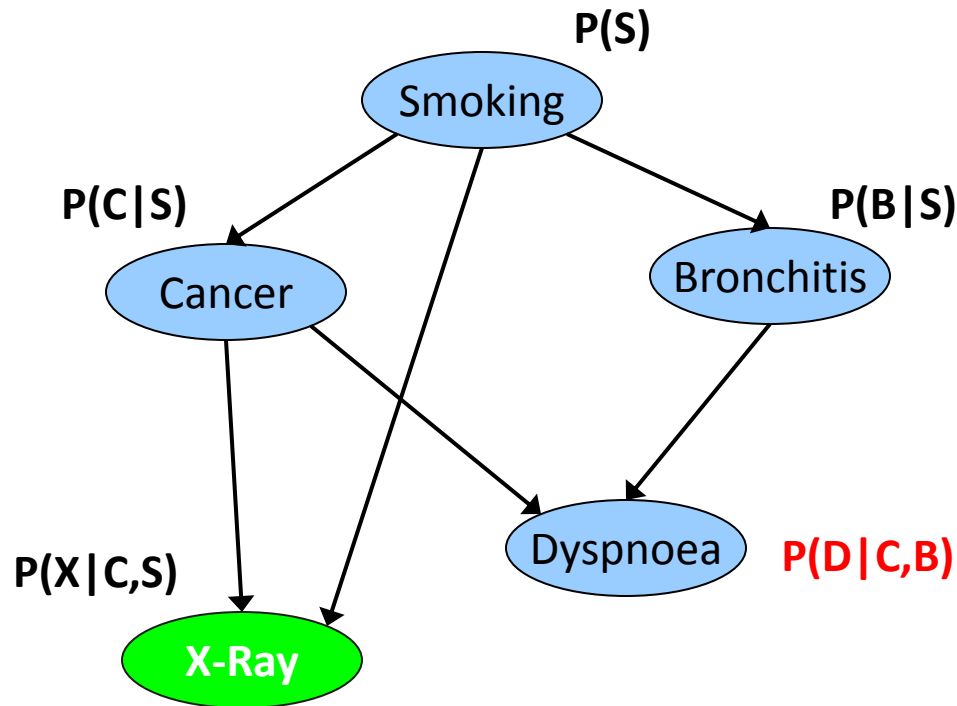


Constraint graph



Bayesian Networks

BN = (X,D,G,P)



P(D|C,B)

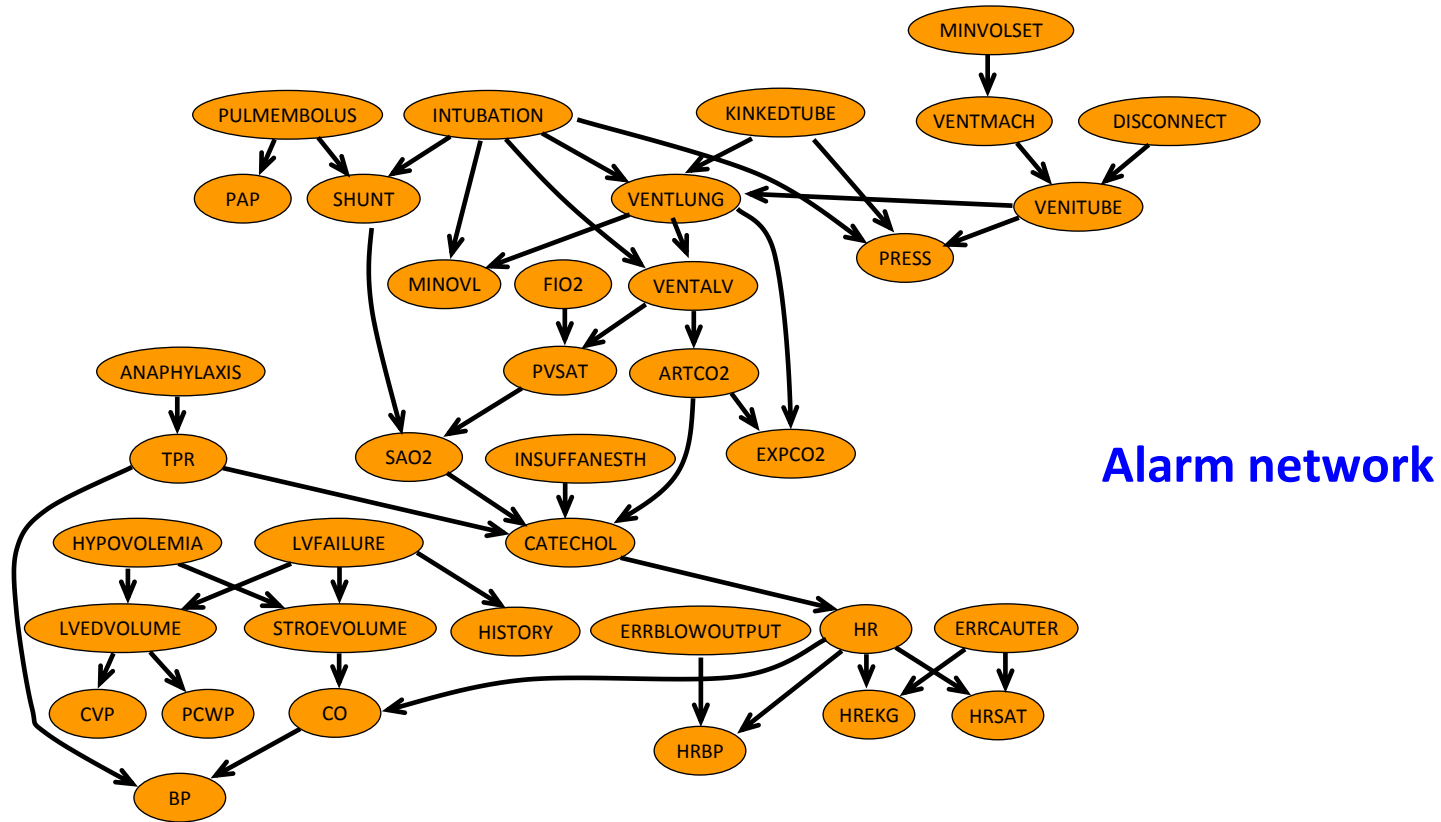
C	B	D=0	D=1
0	0	0.1	0.9
0	1	0.7	0.3
1	0	0.8	0.2
1	1	0.9	0.1

$$P(S,C,B,X,D) = P(S) \cdot P(C|S) \cdot P(B|S) \cdot P(X|C,S) \cdot P(D|C,B)$$

MPE = Find a maximum probability assignment, given evidence

MPE = find argmax $P(S) \cdot P(C|S) \cdot P(B|S) \cdot P(X|C,S) \cdot P(D|C,B)$

Monitoring Intensive-Care Patients

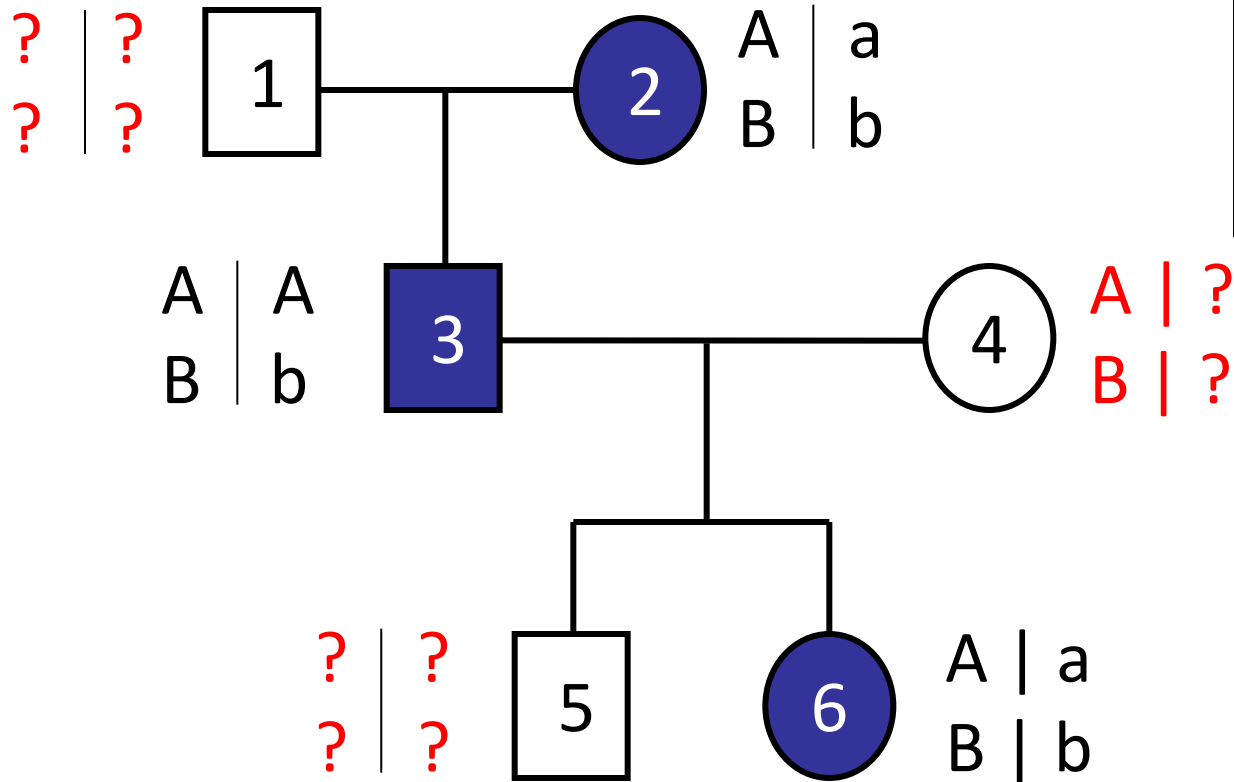
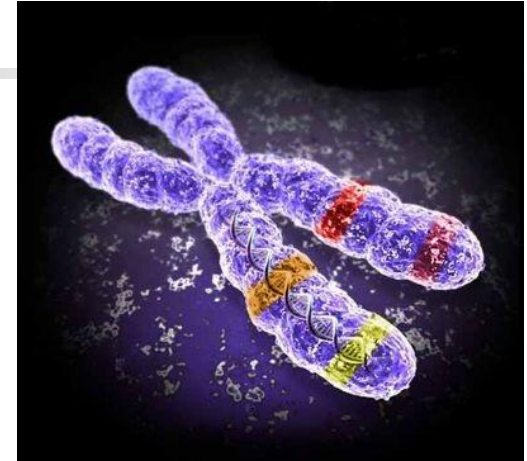


37 variables
509 parameters

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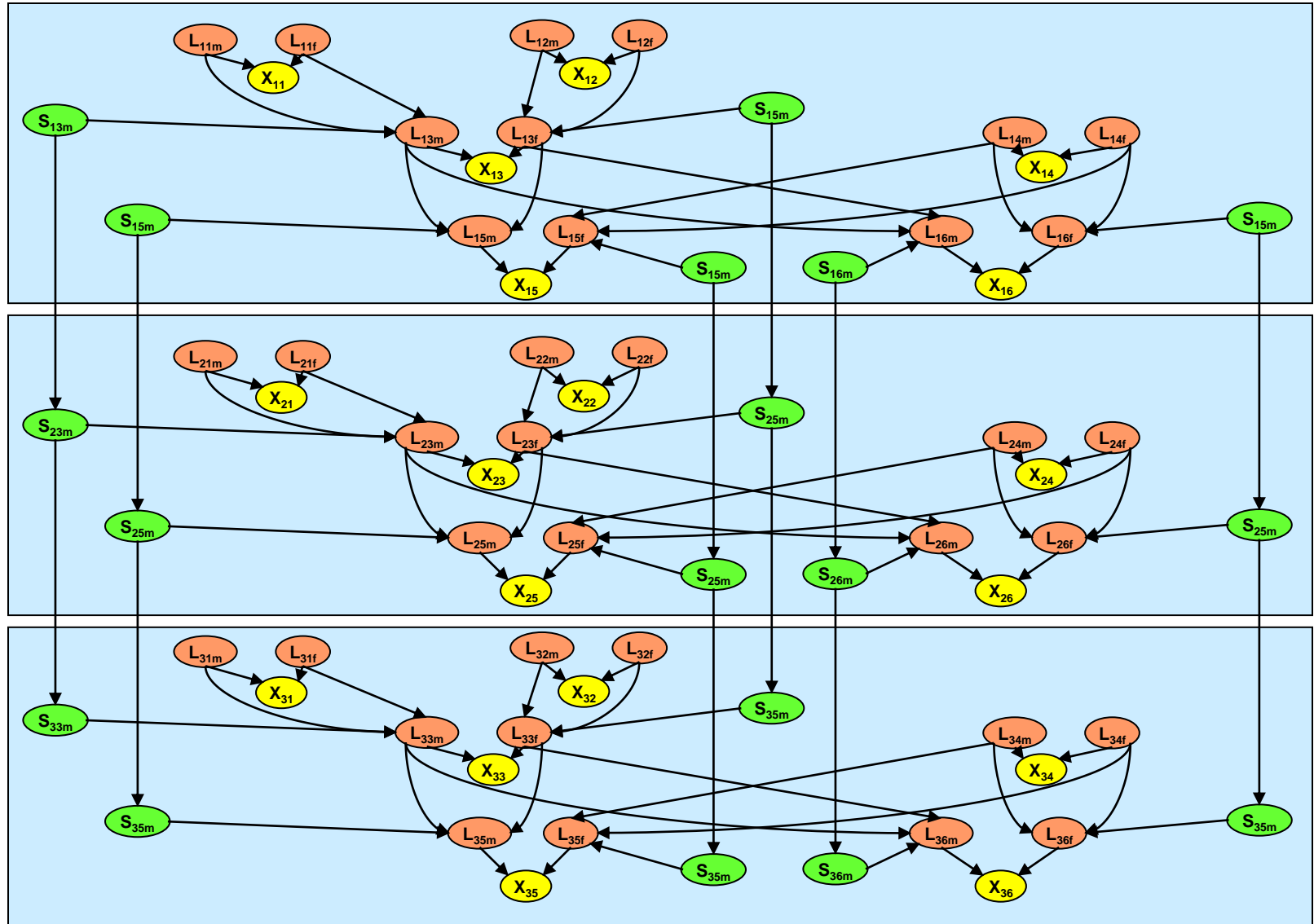
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Linkage Analysis



- 6 individuals
- Haplotype: {2, 3}
- Genotype: {6}
- Unknown

Pedigree: 6 people, 3 markers



Constraint Optimization Problems

for Graphical Models

A *finite COP* is a triple $R = \langle X, D, F \rangle$ where :

$X = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ - variables

$D = \{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$ - domains

$F = \{f_1, \dots, f_m\}$ - cost functions

$f(A,B,D)$ has scope $\{A,B,D\}$

A	B	D	Cost
1	2	3	3
1	3	2	2
2	1	3	∞
2	3	1	0
3	1	2	5
3	2	1	0

Primal graph =

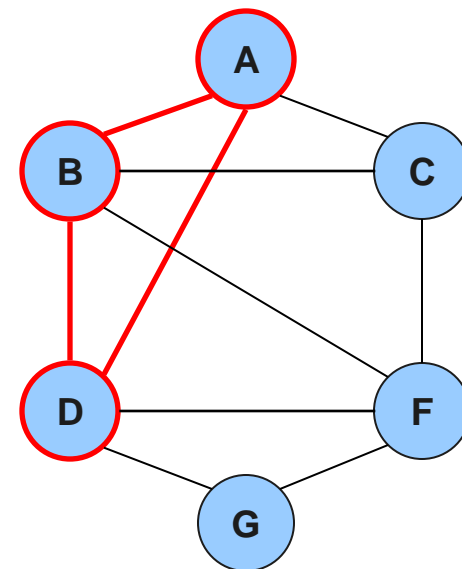
Variables --> nodes

Functions, Constraints -> arcs

$$F(a,b,c,d,f,g) = f_1(a,b,d) + f_2(d,f,g) + f_3(b,c,f)$$

Global Cost Function

$$F(X) = \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(X)$$



Graphical Models

- A graphical model $(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{F})$:

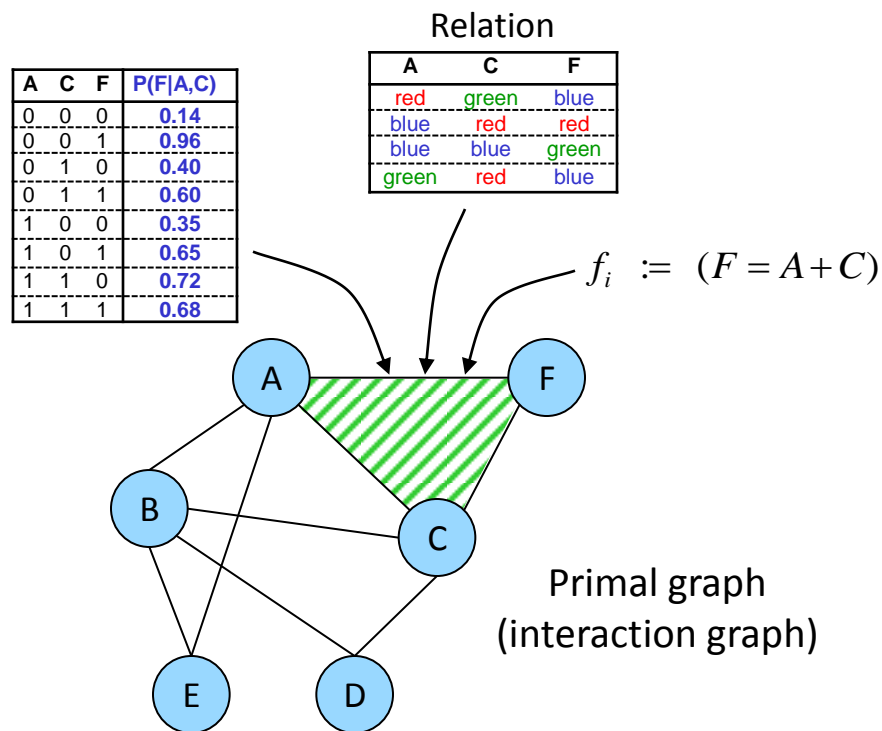
- $\mathbf{X} = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ variables
- $\mathbf{D} = \{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$ domains
- $\mathbf{F} = \{f_1, \dots, f_m\}$ functions

- Operators:

- combination
- elimination (projection)

- Tasks:

- **Belief updating:** $\sum_{x-y} \prod_j P_i$
- **MPE:** $\max_x \prod_j P_j$
- **CSP:** $\prod_x \times_j C_j$
- **Max-CSP:** $\min_x \sum_j f_j$



- All these tasks are NP-hard
 - exploit problem structure
 - identify special cases
 - approximate



Sample Domains for Graphical Models

- Web Pages and Link Analysis
- Communication Networks (Cell phone Fraud Detection)
- Natural Language Processing (e.g. Information Extraction and Semantic Parsing)
- Battle-space Awareness
- Epidemiological Studies
- Citation Networks
- Intelligence Analysis (Terrorist Networks)
- Financial Transactions (Money Laundering)
- Computational Biology
- Object Recognition and Scene Analysis
- ...

Type of constrained optimization:

- Weighted CSPs, Max-CSPs, Max-SAT
- Most Probable Explanation (MPE)
- Linear Integer Programs



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Solution Techniques

AND/OR search

*Time: $\exp(\text{treewidth} * \log n)$*

Space: linear

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Inference (Elimination)

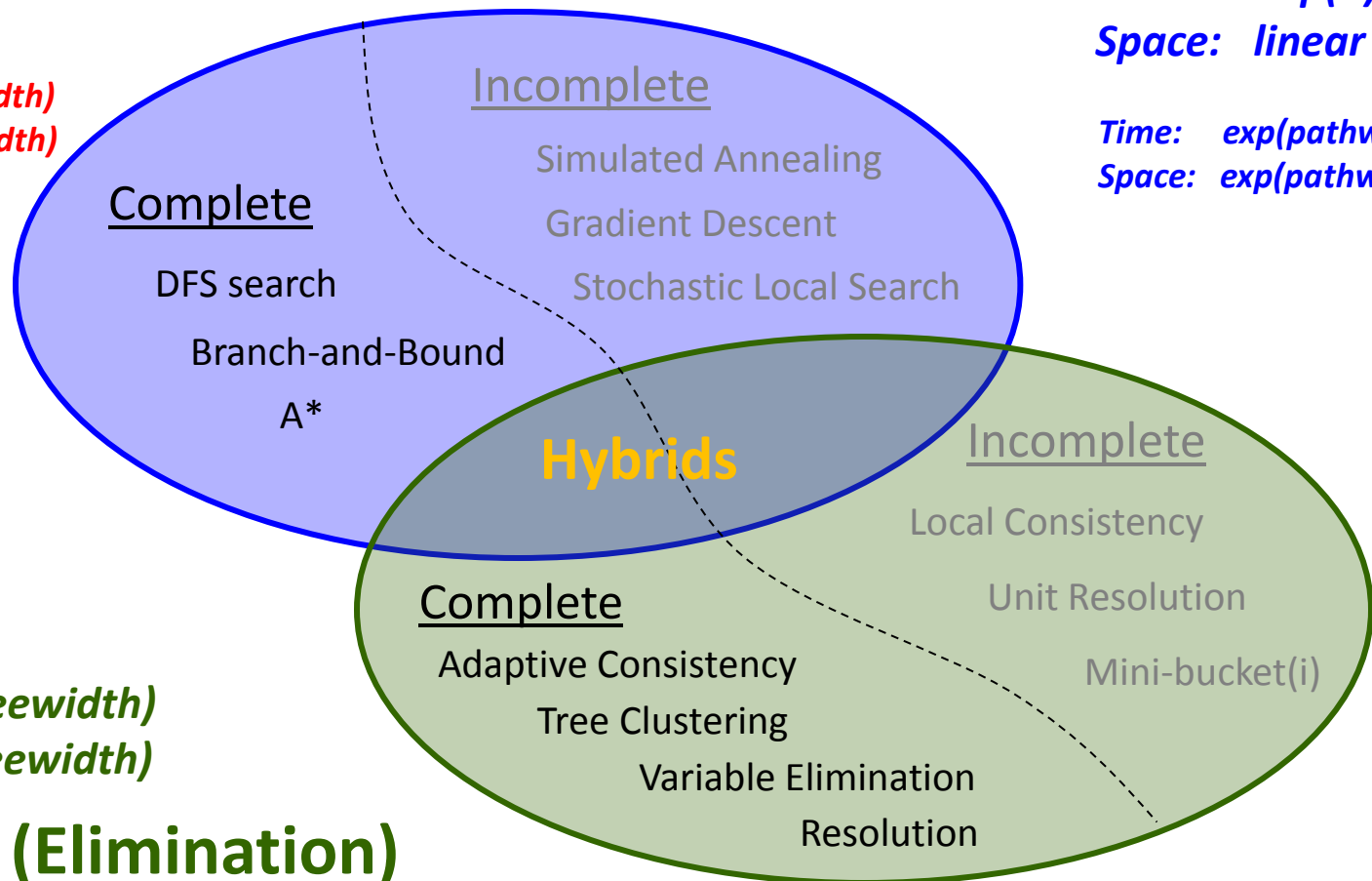
Search (Conditioning)

Time: $\exp(n)$

Space: linear

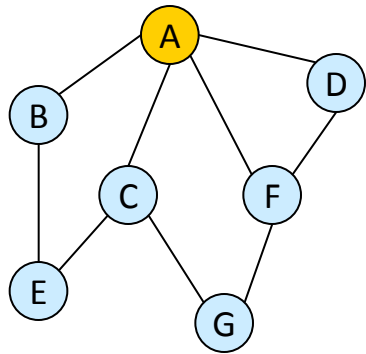
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Search vs. Inference

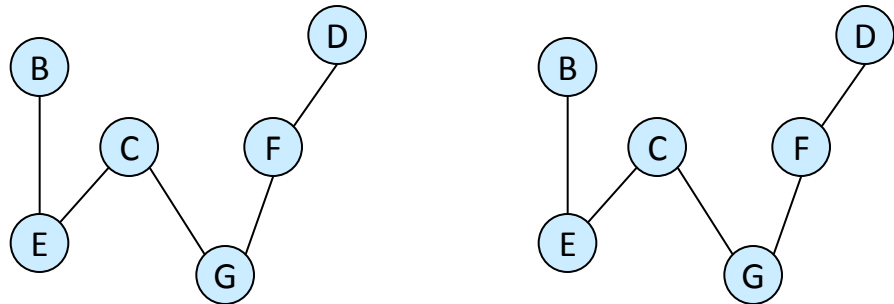
Search (conditioning)



A=1

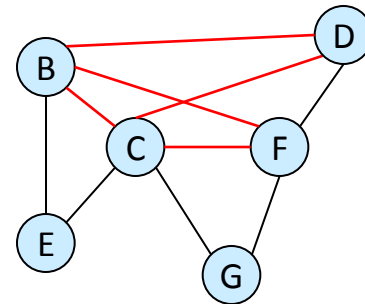
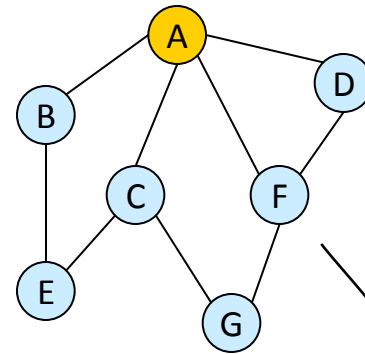
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A=k



k "sparser" problems

Inference (elimination)



1 "denser" problem

Combination of Cost Functions

A	B	f(A,B)
b	b	6
b	g	0
g	b	0
g	g	6

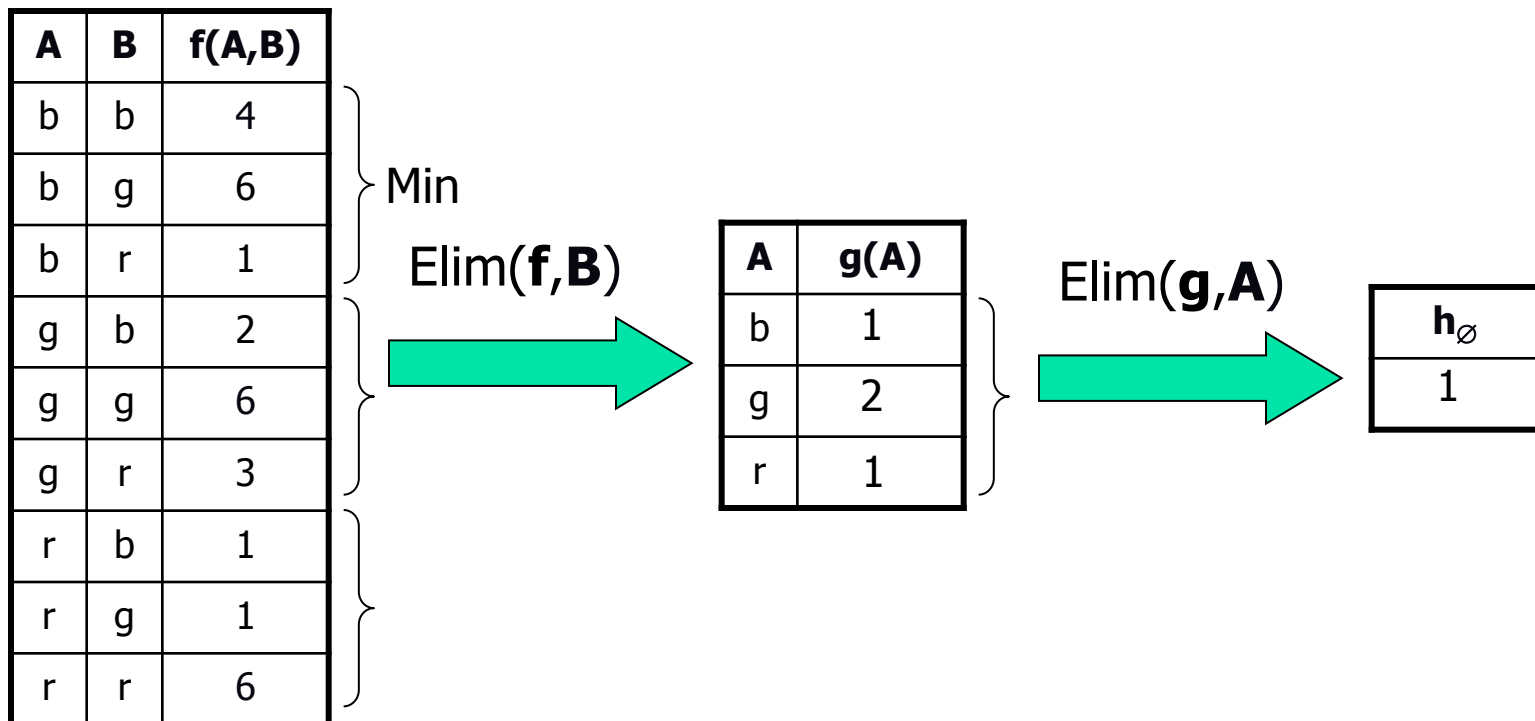
+

B	C	f(B,C)
b	b	6
b	g	0
g	b	0
g	g	6

A	B	C	f(A,B,C)
b	b	b	12
b	b	g	6
b	g	b	0
b	g	g	6
g	b	b	6
g	b	g	0
g	g	b	6
g	g	g	12

= 0 + 6

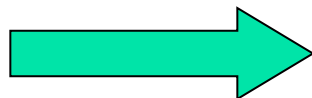
Elimination in a Cost Function



Conditioning a Cost Function

A	B	f(A,B)
b	b	6
b	g	0
b	r	3
g	b	0
g	g	6
g	r	0
r	b	0
r	g	0
r	r	6

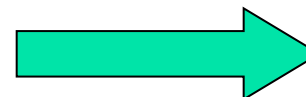
Assign(\mathbf{f}_{AB}, A, b)



g(B)

3

Assign(\mathbf{g}, B, r)



h_{\emptyset}



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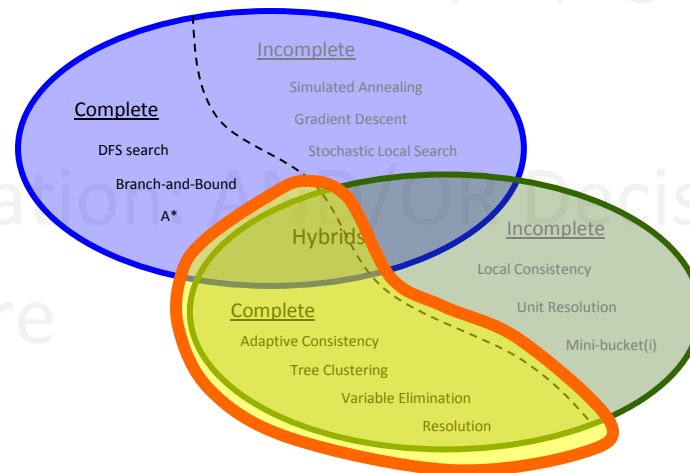
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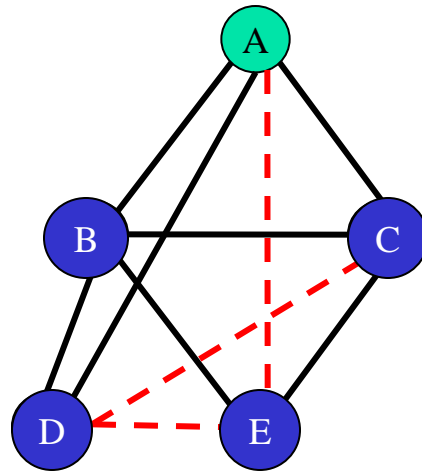
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Computing the Optimal Cost Solution



Constraint graph

$$\mathbf{OPT} = \min_{e=0,d,c,b} \underbrace{f(a,b)+f(a,c)+f(a,d)} + \underbrace{f(b,c)+f(b,d)+f(b,e)+f(c,e)}$$

Combination

$$\min_{e=0} \min_d f(a,d) + \min_c f(a,c)+f(c,e) + \underbrace{\min_b f(a,b)+f(b,c)+f(b,d)+f(b,e)}_{h^B(a,d,c,e)}$$

Variable Elimination

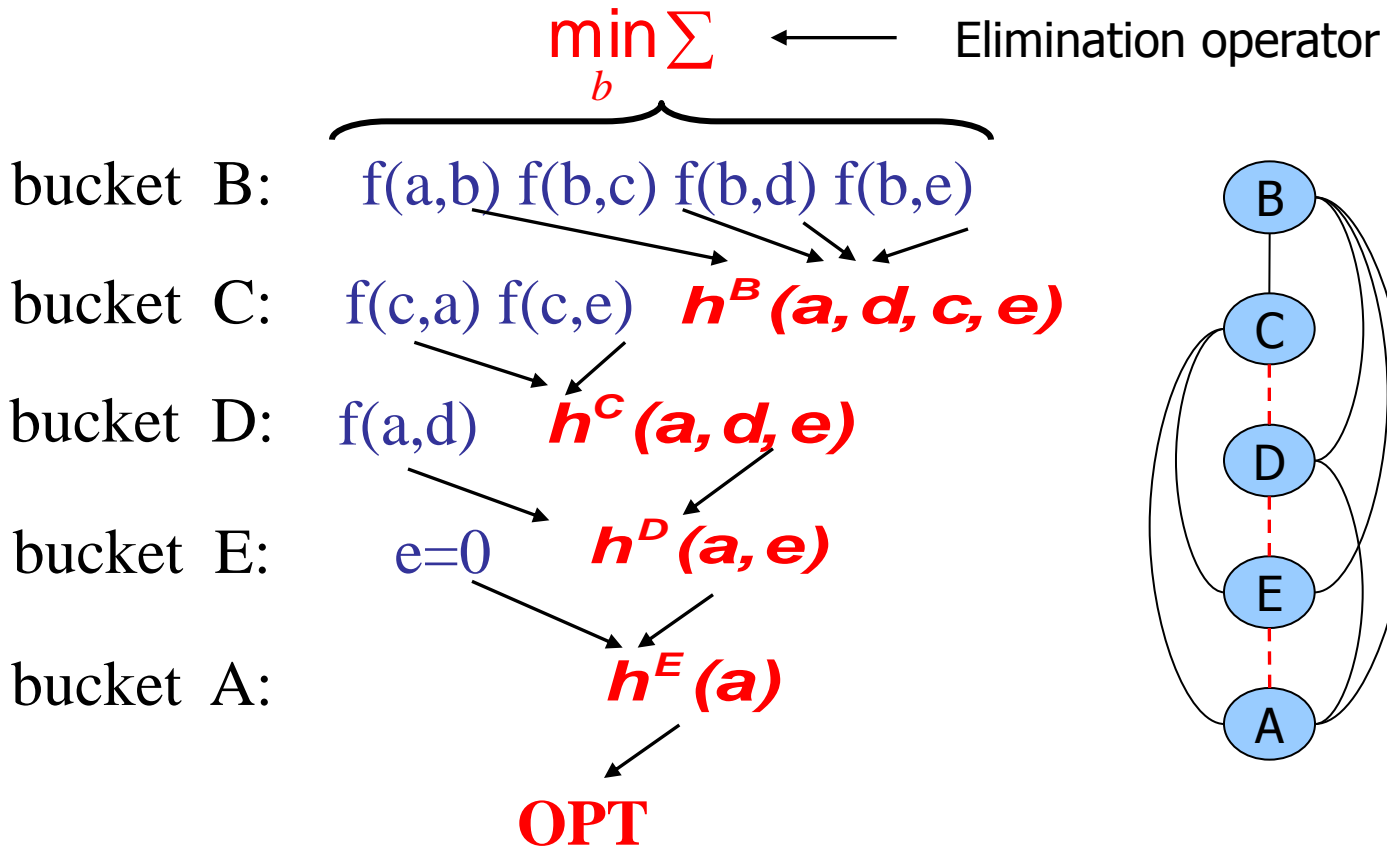
Finding

$$OPT = \min_{X_1, \dots, X_n} \sum_{j=1}^r f_j(X)$$

Algorithm **elim-opt** (Dechter, 1996)

Non-serial Dynamic Programming (Bertele and Briochi, 1973)

$$OPT = \min_{a,e,d,c,b} F(a,b) + F(a,c) + F(a,d) + F(b,c) + F(b,d) + F(b,e) + F(c,e)$$



Generating the Optimal Assignment

5. $b' = \arg \min_b f(a', b) + f(b, c') +$

$+ f(b, d') + f(b, e')$

4. $c' = \arg \min_c f(c, a') + f(c, e') +$

$+ h^B(a', d', c, e')$

3. $d' = \arg \min_d f(a', d) + h^C(a', d, e')$

2. $e' = 0$

1. $a' = \arg \min_a h^E(a)$

B: $f(a, b) f(b, c) f(b, d) f(b, e)$

C: $f(c, a) f(c, e) \quad h^B(a, d, c, e)$

D: $f(a, d) \quad h^C(a, d, e)$

E: $e=0 \quad h^D(a, e)$

A: $h^E(a)$

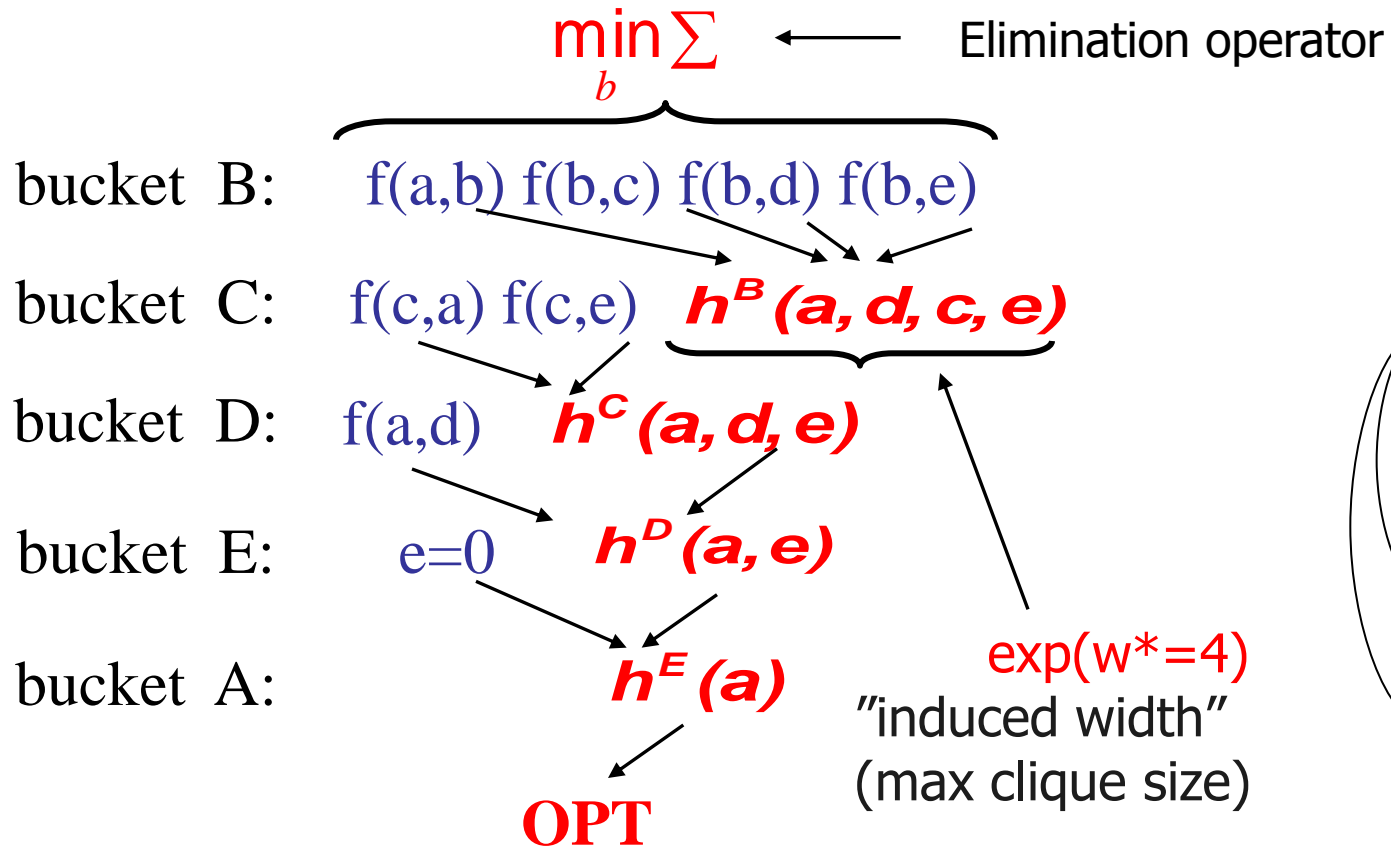
Return (a', b', c', d', e')

Complexity

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Complexity of Bucket Elimination

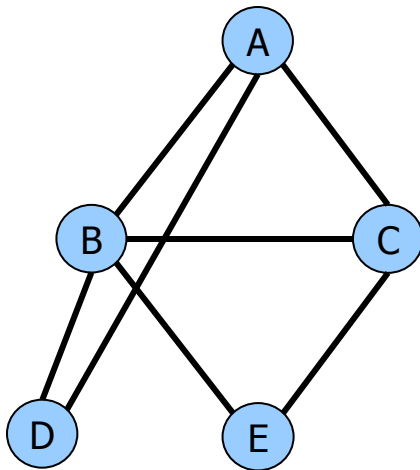
Bucket-Elimination is **time** and **space**

$$O(r \exp(w^*(d)))$$

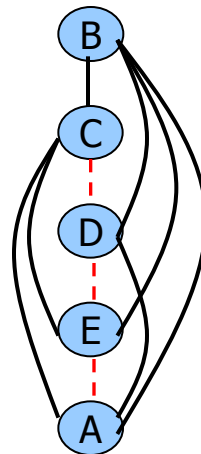
$w^*(d)$ – the induced width of the primal graph along ordering d

r = number of functions

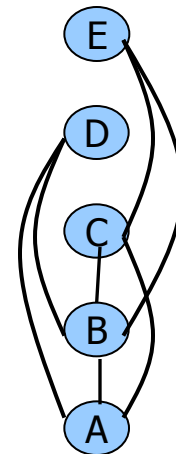
The effect of the ordering:



constraint graph



$$w^*(d_1) = 4$$



$$w^*(d_2) = 2$$

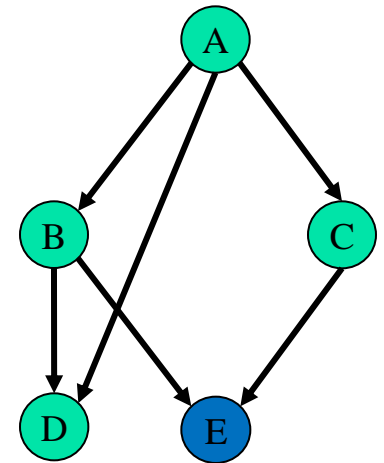
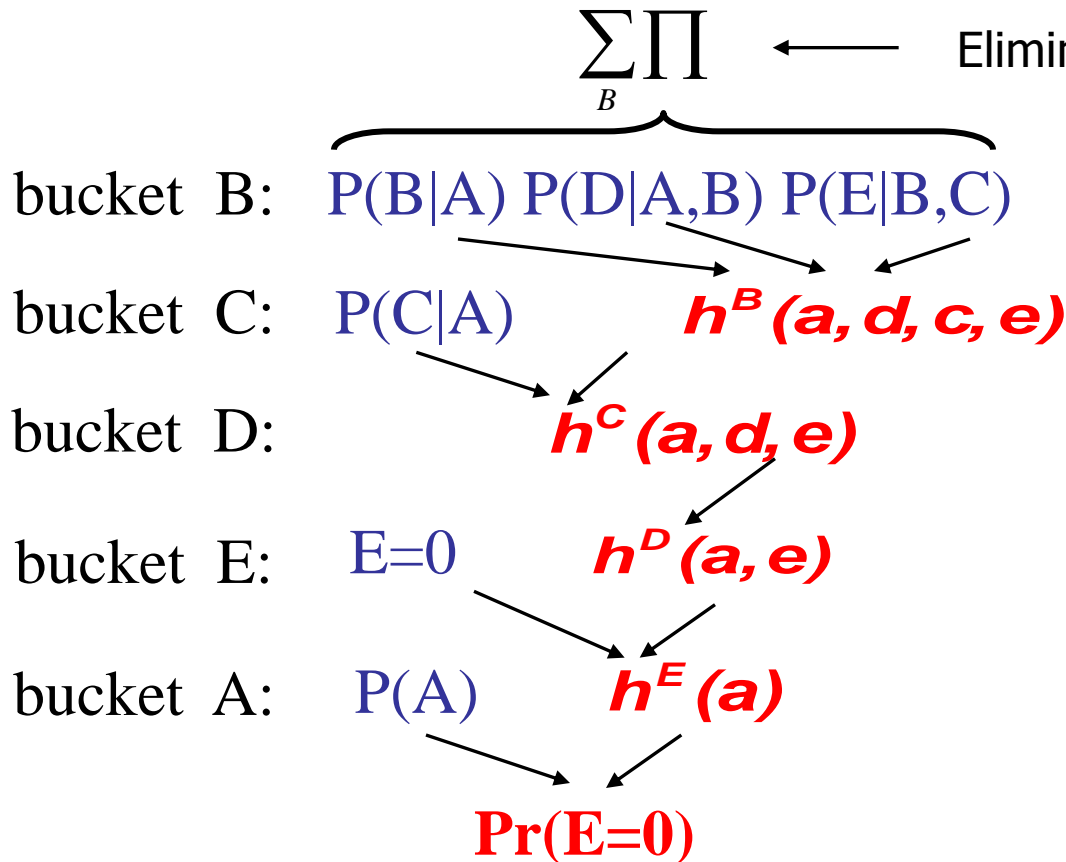
Finding smallest induced-width is hard!

Finding

$$P(\text{evidence}) = \sum_{X_1, \dots, X_n} \prod_{j=1}^n P(X_j | pa_j)$$

Algorithm **elim-bel** (Dechter, 1996)

$$P(E=0) = \sum_{A, E=0, D, C, B} P(A) \cdot P(B|A) \cdot P(C|A) \cdot P(D|A, B) \cdot P(E|B, C)$$



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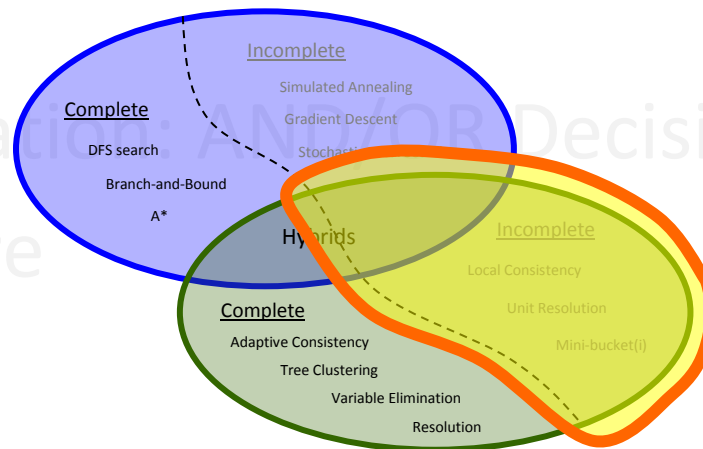
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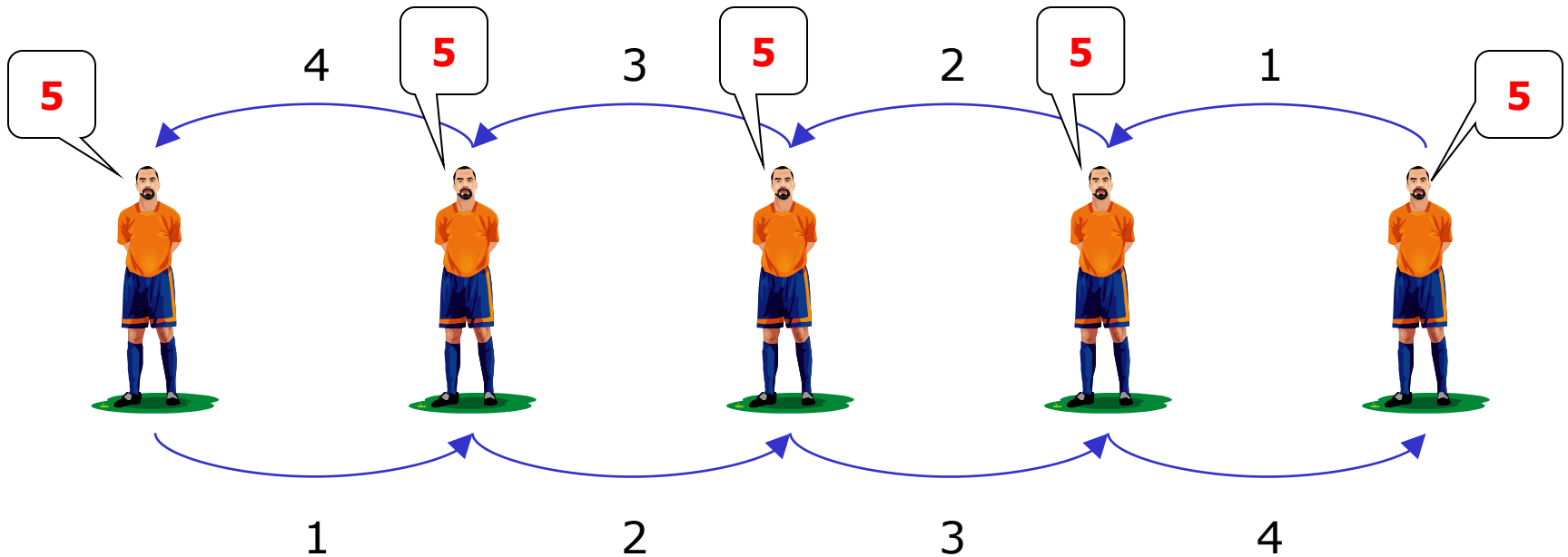
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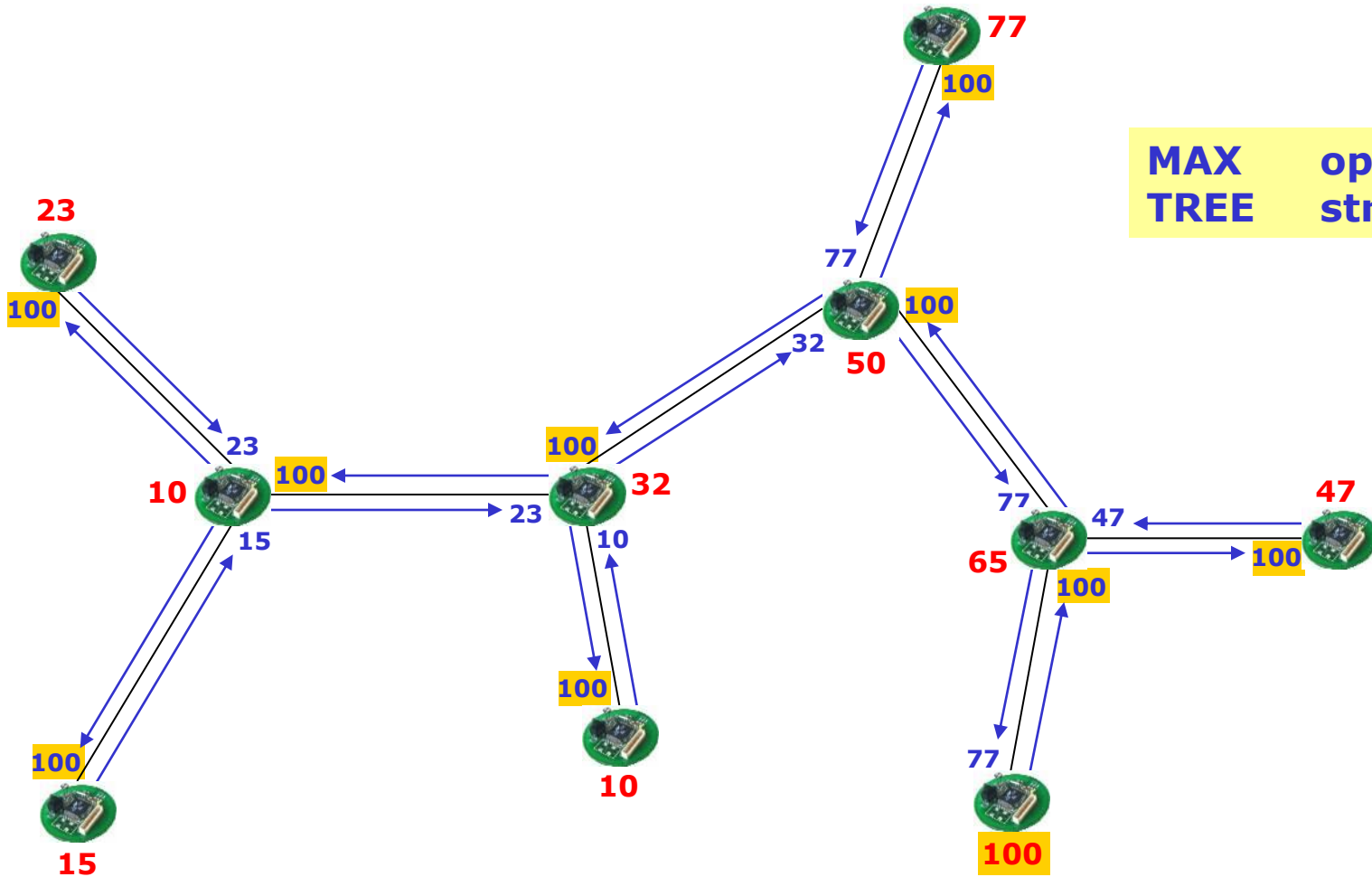
Counting

SUM operator
CHAIN structure



How many people?

Maximization



What is the maximum?

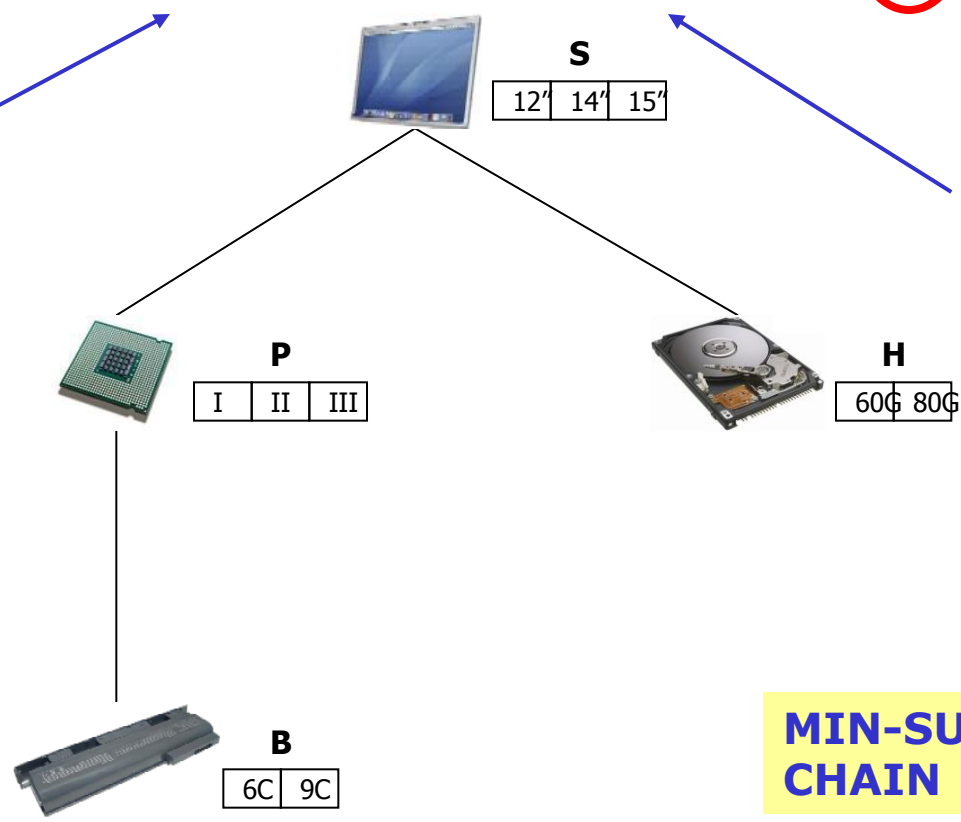
Min-Cost Assignment

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 12'' & 14'' & 15'' \\ \hline 75 & 80 & 105 \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 12'' & 14'' & 15'' \\ \hline 30 & 40 & 50 \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 12'' & 14'' & 15'' \\ \hline 105 & 120 & 155 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

	I	II	III
12''	75	∞	∞
14''	80	100	130
15''	∞	105	180

	I	+	II	III
	30		40	60

	6C	9C
I	30	50
II	40	55
III	∞	60



	60G	80G
12''	30	50
14''	40	45
15''	50	∞

MIN-SUM CHAIN operators structure

What is minimum cost configuration?

Belief Updating

SUM-PROD operators
POLY-TREE structure

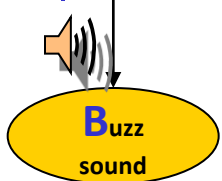
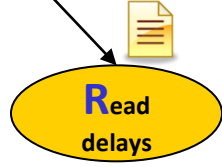
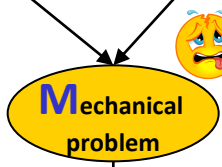
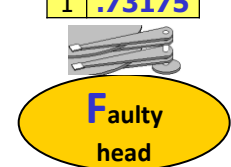
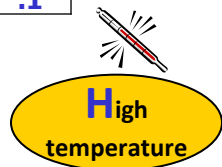
H	P(H)
0	.9
1	.1

F	P(F)
0	.99
1	.01

F	$h_3(F)$
0	.1245
1	.73175

F	$h_4(F)$
0	1
1	1

F	P(F,B=1)
0	.123255
1	.073175



H	F	M	$B(M H,F)$
0	0	0	.0405
0	0	1	.072
0	1	0	.0045
0	1	1	.648
1	0	0	.008
1	0	1	.008
1	1	0	.00005
1	1	1	.0792

F	R	P(R F)
0	0	.8
0	1	.2
1	0	.3
0	1	.7

M	B	P(B M)
0	0	.95
0	1	.05
1	0	.2
1	1	.8

$$P(h,f,r,m,b) = P(h) P(f) P(m|h,f) P(r|f) P(b|m)$$

$$P(F | B=1) = ?$$

$$P(B=1) = .19643$$

$$P(F=1|B=1) = .3725$$

Probability of evidence

Updated belief



Belief Propagation

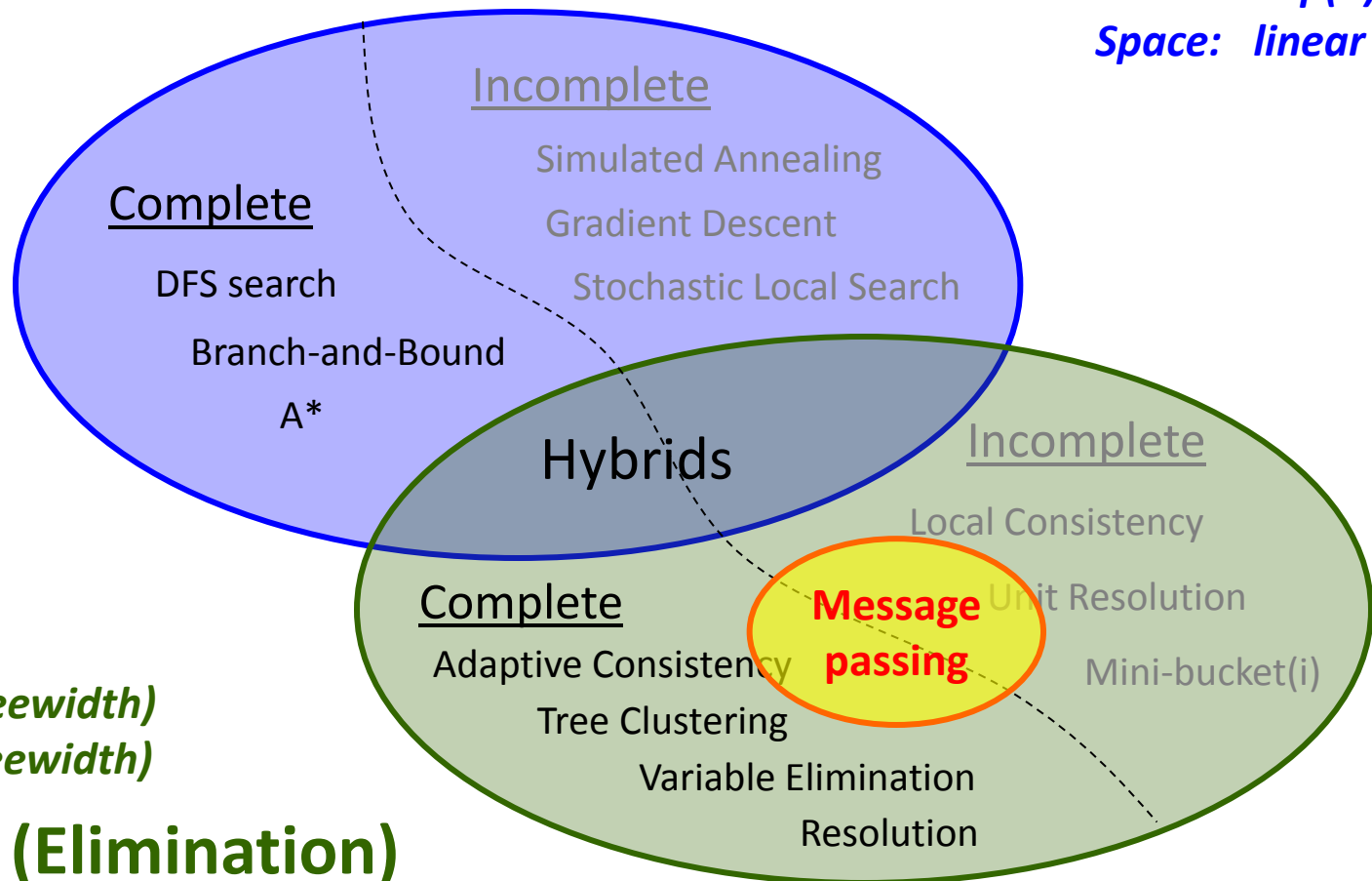
(Pearl, 1988)

- Instances of **tree message passing** algorithm
- **Exact** for trees
- **Linear** in the input size
- Importance:
 - One of the first algorithms for inference in Bayesian networks
 - Gives a cognitive dimension to its computations
 - Basis for conditioning algorithms for arbitrary Bayesian network
 - Basis for **Loopy Belief Propagation** (approximate algorithms)

Solution Techniques

Search (Conditioning)

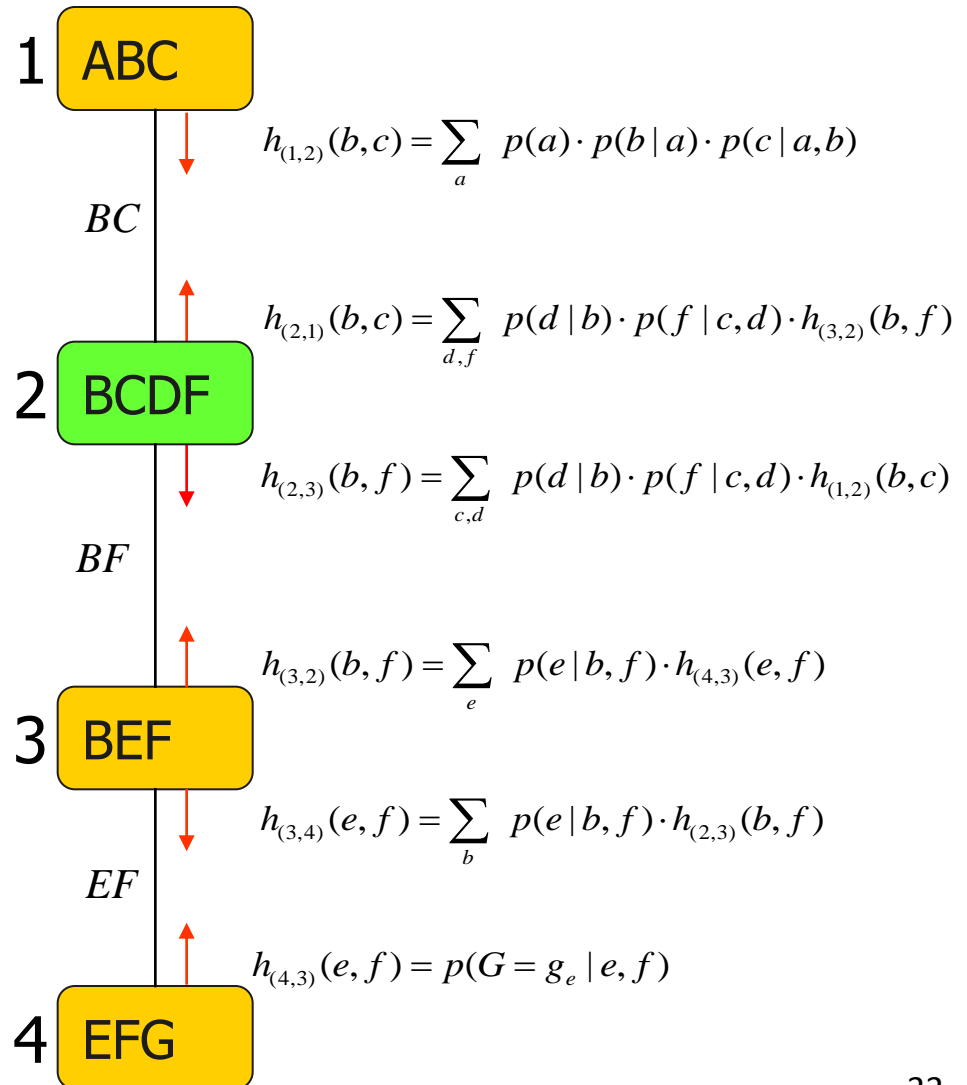
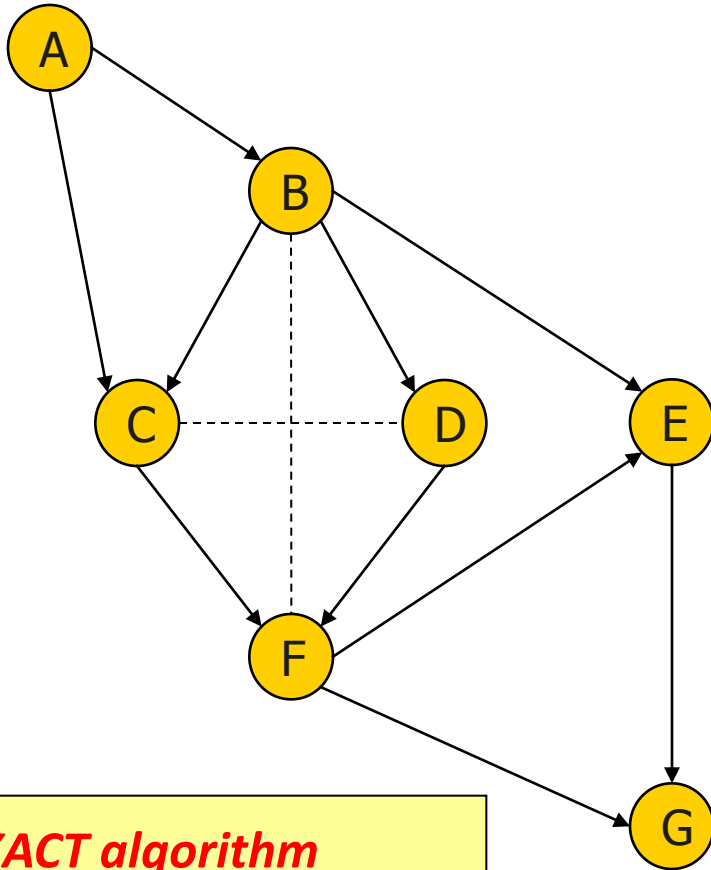
Time: $exp(n)$
Space: linear



Time: $exp(\text{treewidth})$
Space: $exp(\text{treewidth})$

Inference (Elimination)

Join-Tree Clustering

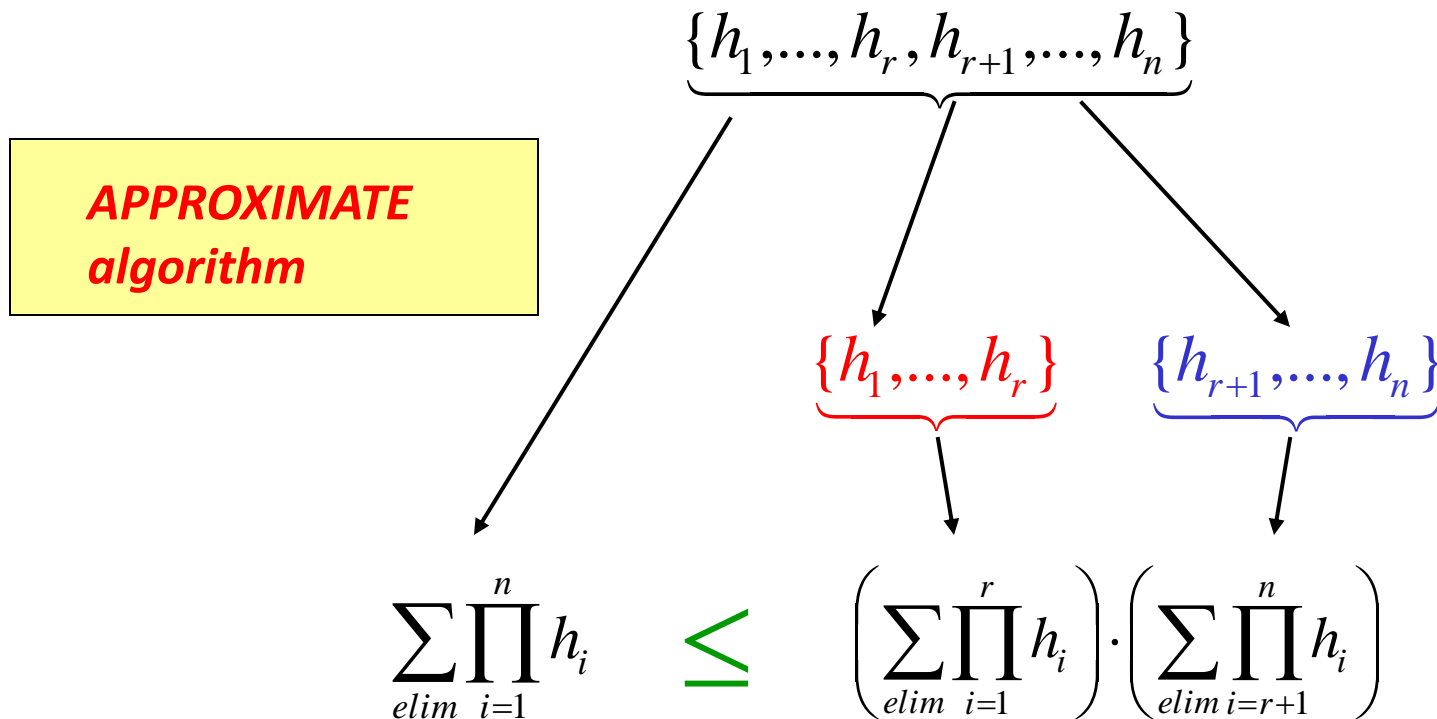


EXACT algorithm

Time and space:
 $\exp(\text{cluster size}) =$
 $\exp(\text{treewidth})$

Mini-Clustering

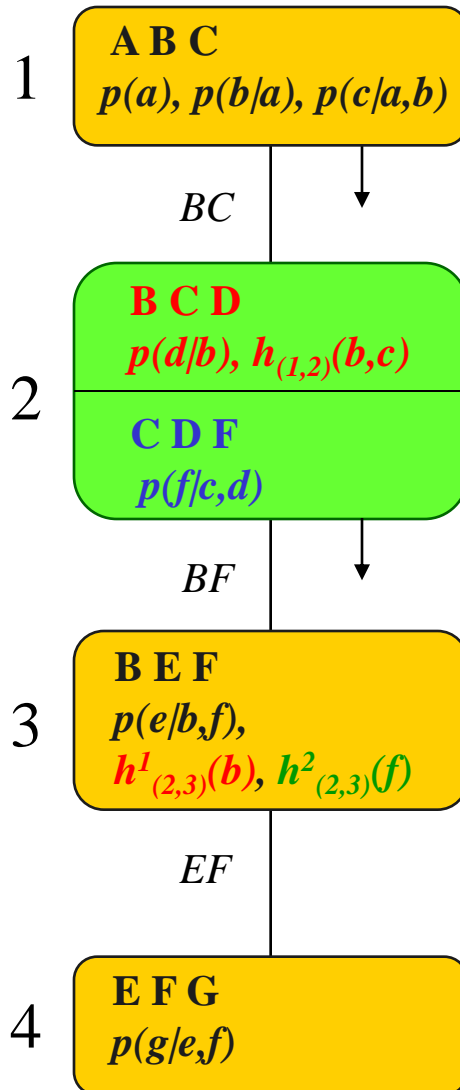
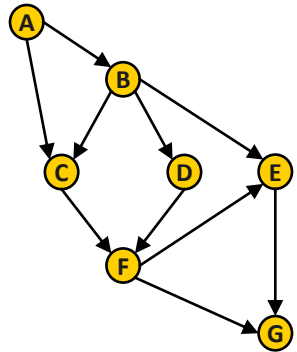
Split a cluster into mini-clusters \Rightarrow bound complexity



Exponential complexity decrease

$$O(e^n) \rightarrow O(e^{\text{var}(r)}) + O(e^{\text{var}(n-r)})$$

Mini-Clustering, i-bound=3



$$h_{(1,2)}^1(b,c) = \sum_a p(a) \cdot p(b|a) \cdot p(c|a,b)$$

$$h_{(2,3)}^1(b) = \sum_{c,d} p(d|b) \cdot h_{(1,2)}^1(b,c)$$

$$h_{(2,3)}^2(f) = \max_{c,d} p(f|c,d)$$

APPROXIMATE algorithm

Time and space:

$\exp(i\text{-bound})$



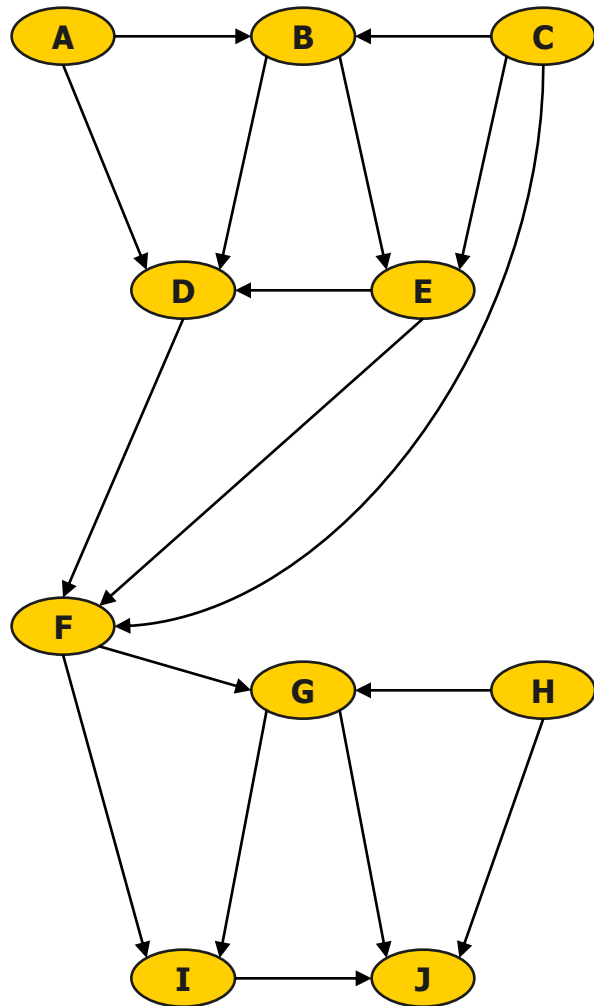
Number of variables in a mini-cluster



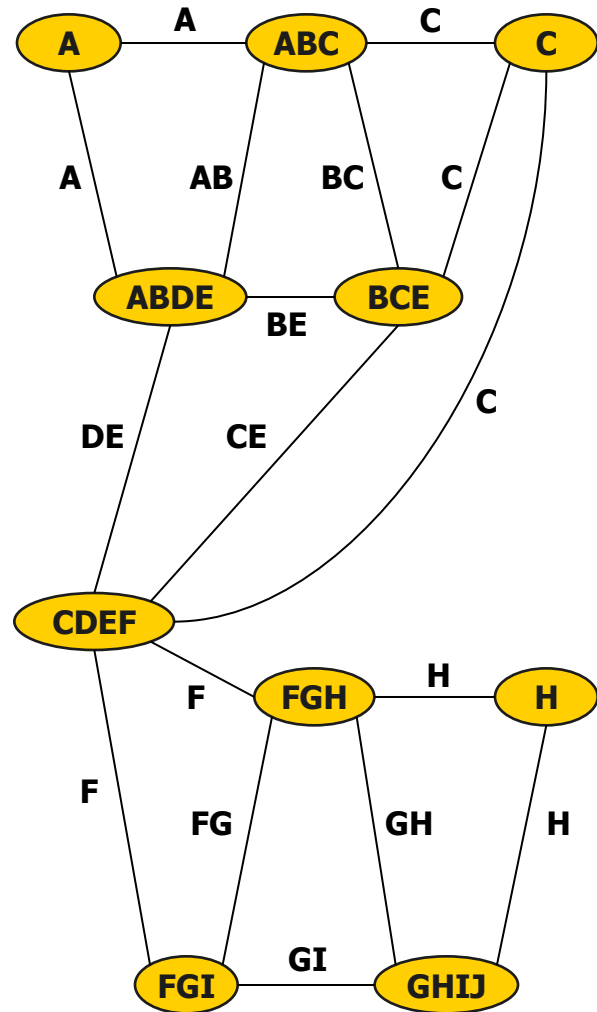
Iterative Join Graph Propagation

- Loopy Belief Propagation
 - Cyclic graphs
 - **Iterative**
 - Converges fast in practice (no guarantees though)
 - Very good approximations (e.g., turbo decoding, LDPC codes, SAT – survey propagation)
- Mini-Clustering(i)
 - Tree decompositions
 - Only two sets of messages (inward, outward)
 - **Anytime** behavior – can improve with more time by increasing the i-bound
- We want to combine:
 - Iterative virtues of Loopy BP
 - Anytime behavior of Mini-Clustering(i)

IJGP - Example



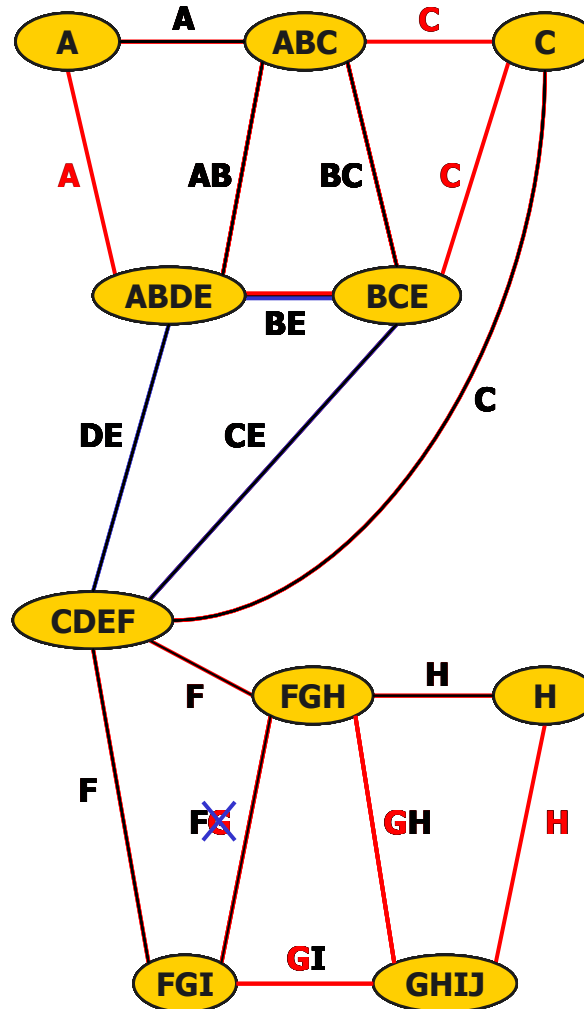
Belief network



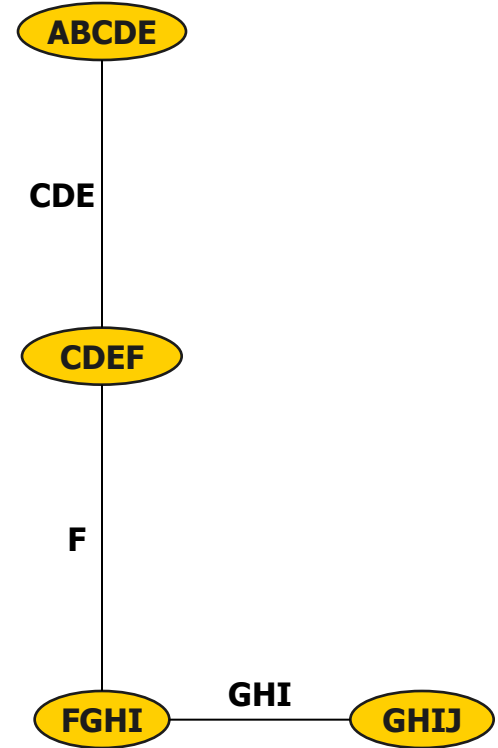
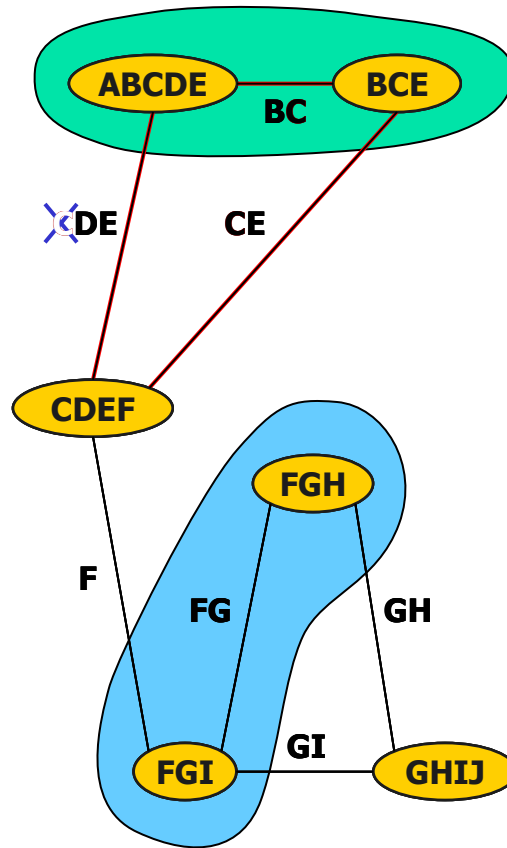
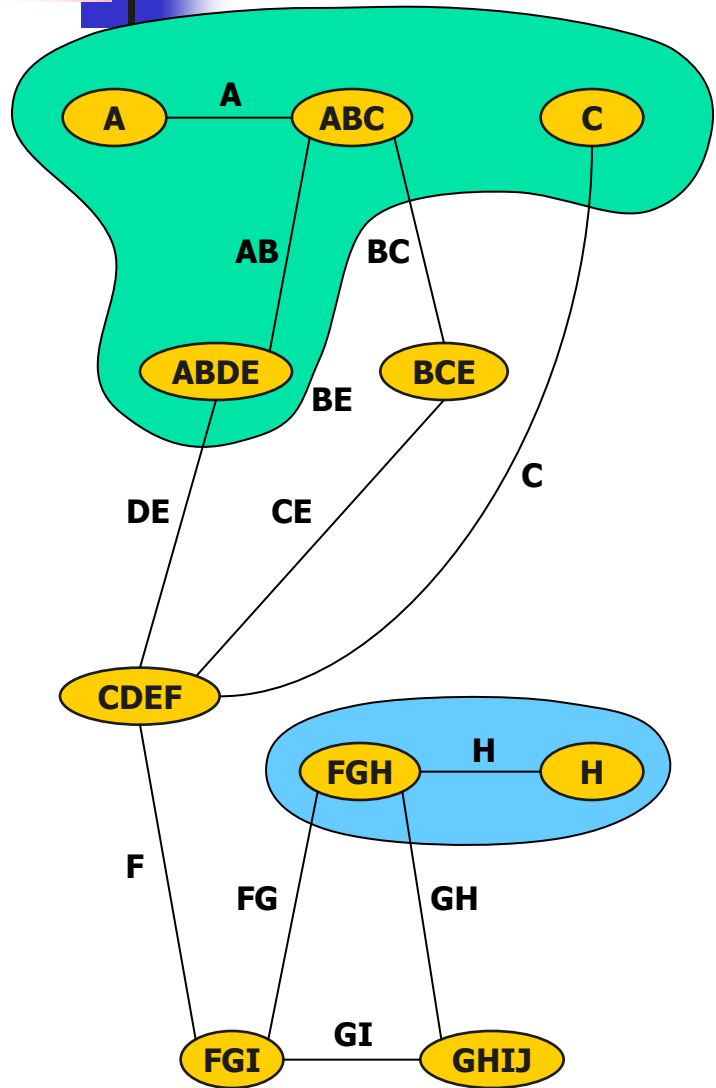
Loopy BP graph

Arc-Minimal Join-Graph

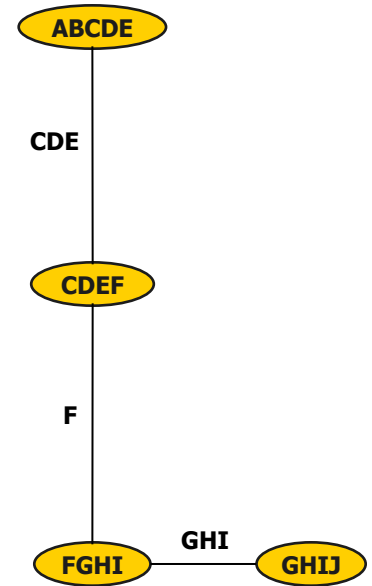
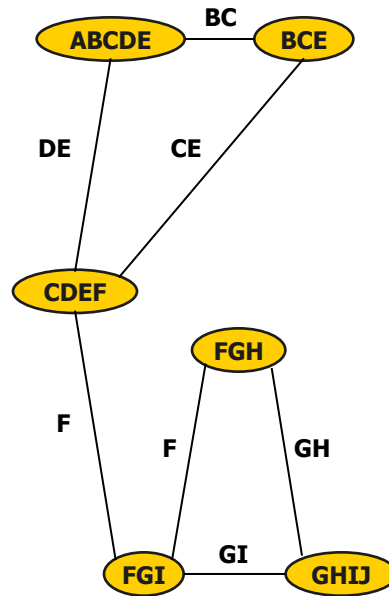
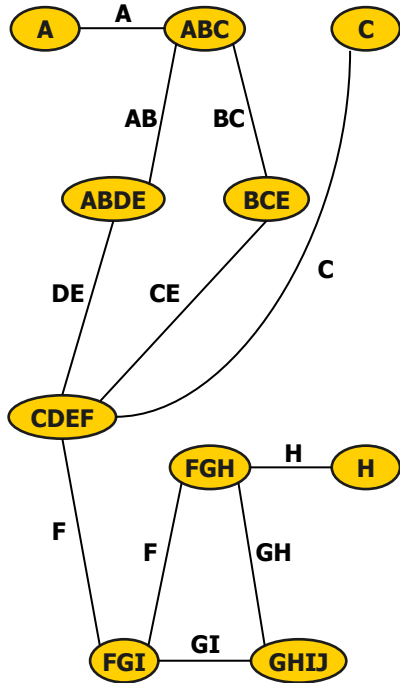
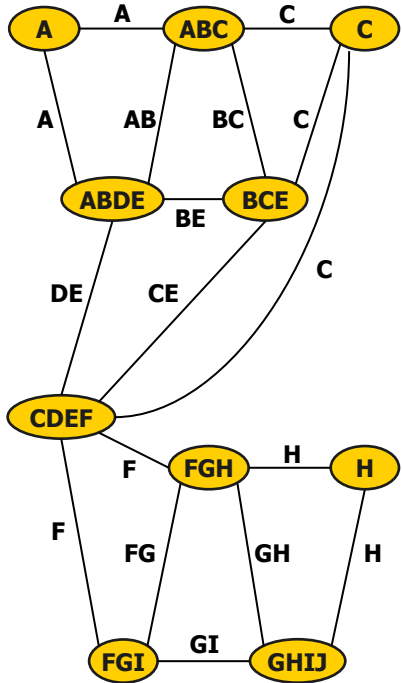
Arcs labeled with any single variable should form a **TREE**



Collapsing Clusters



Join-Graphs

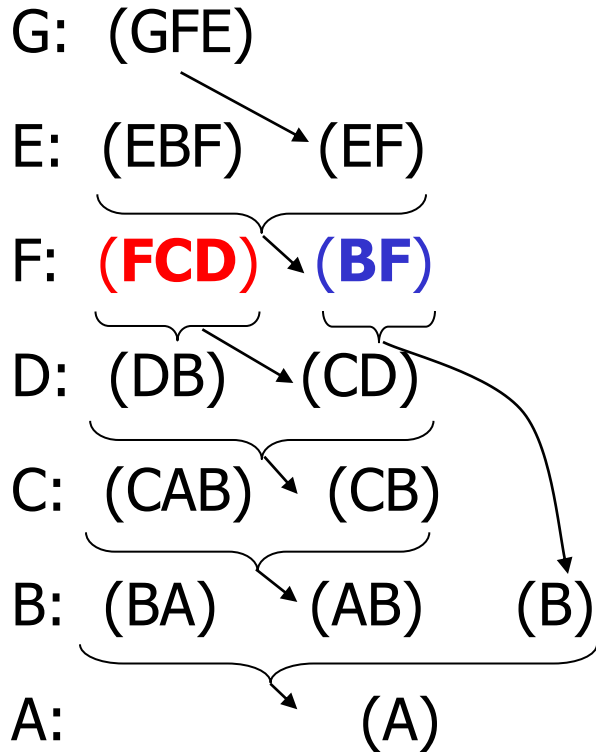


more accuracy

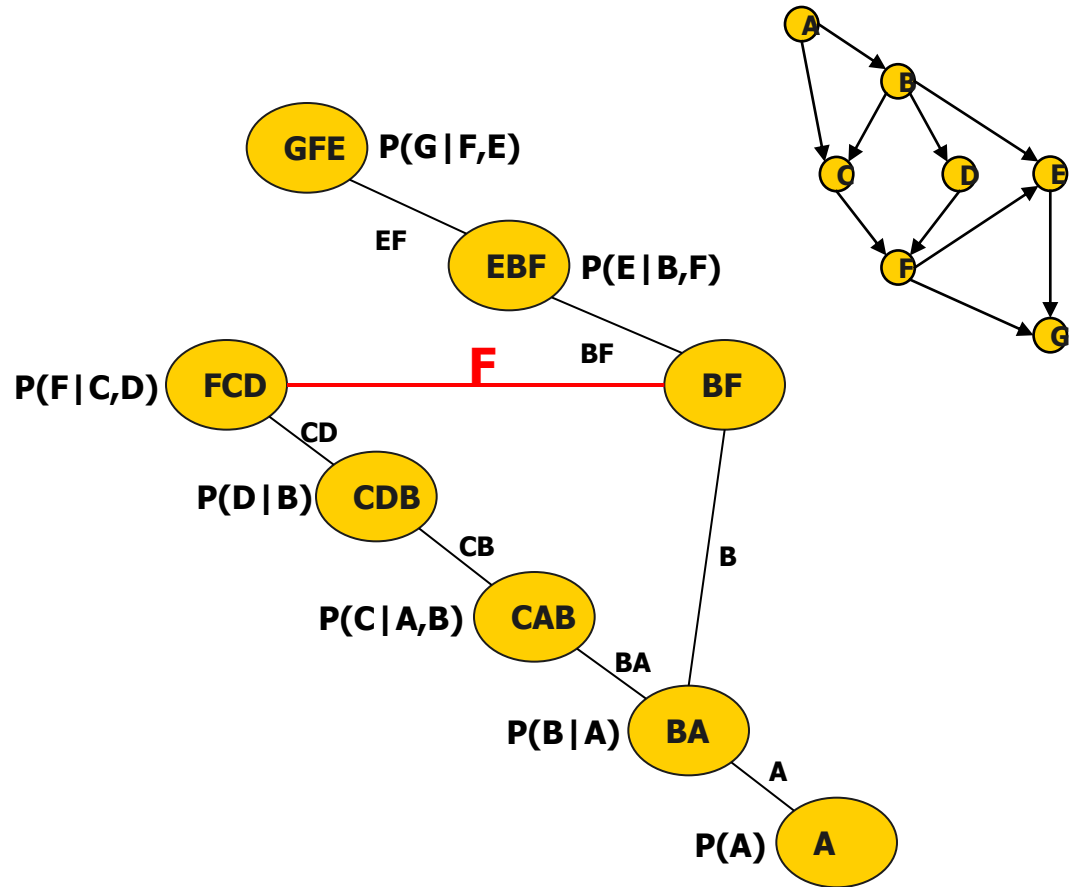


less complexity

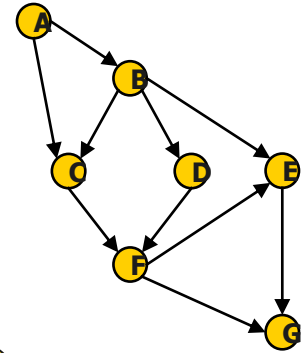
Constructing Join-Graphs



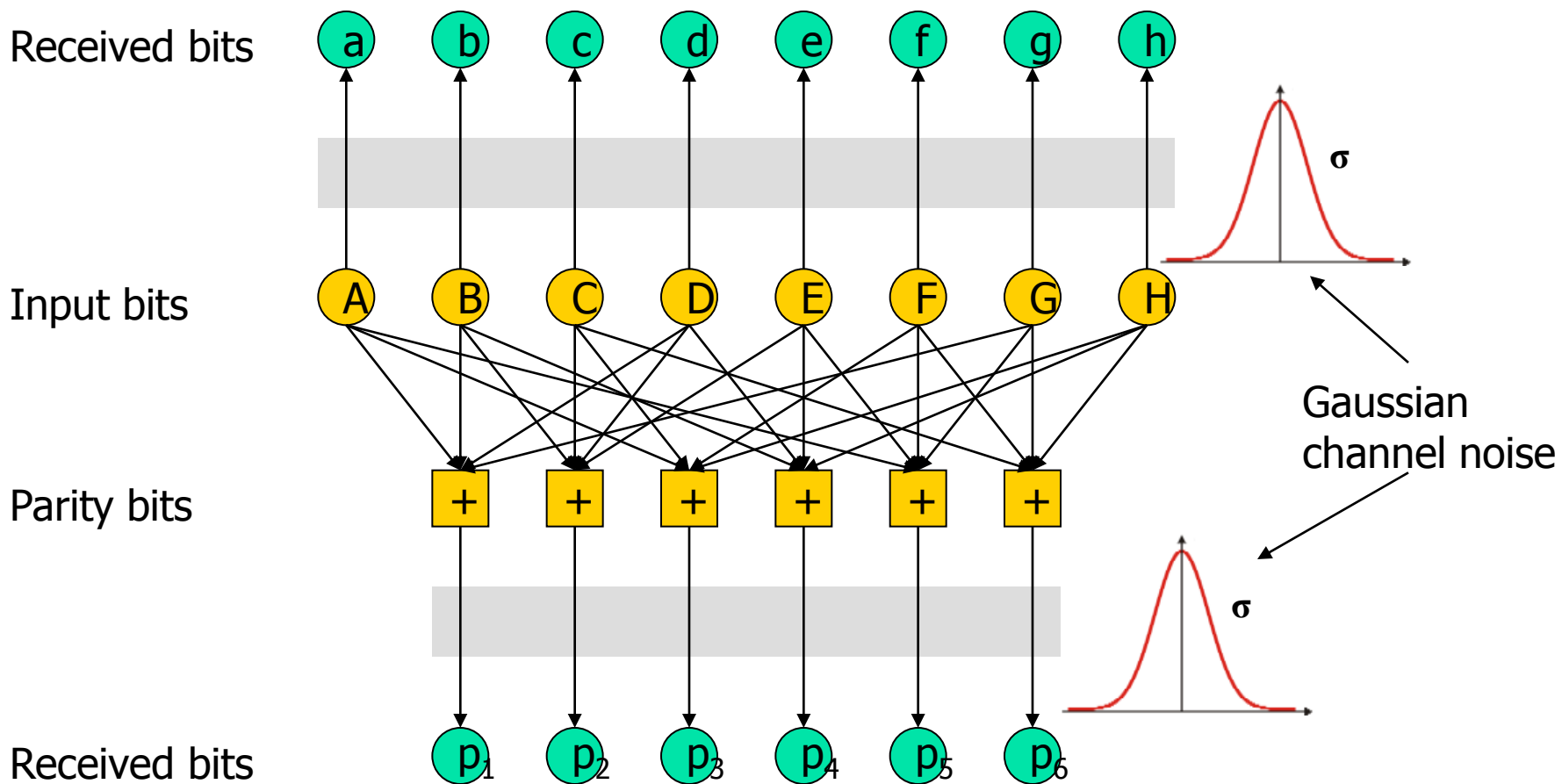
a) schematic mini-bucket(i), $i=3$



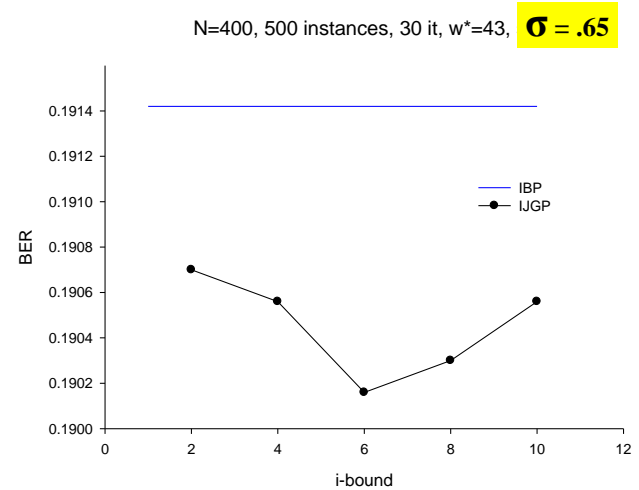
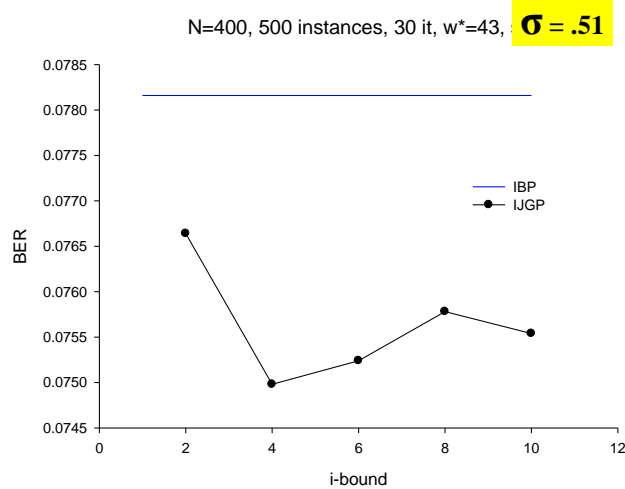
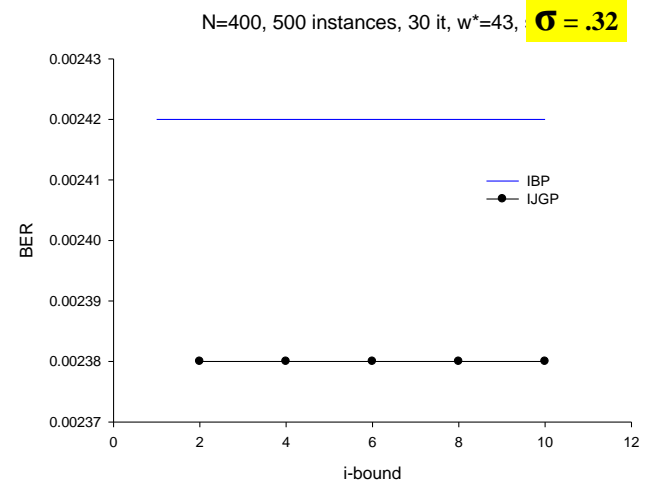
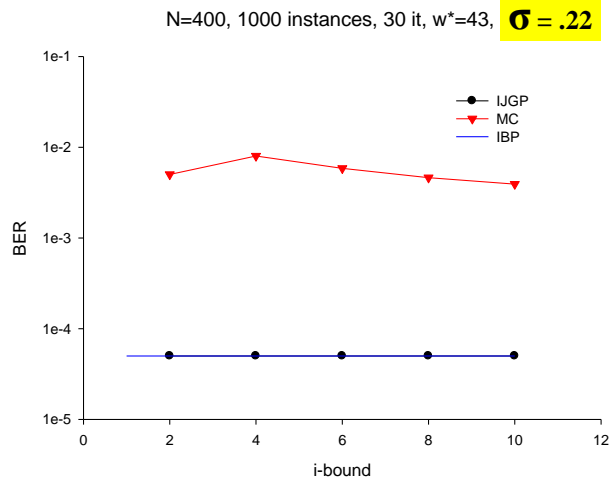
b) arc-labeled join-graph decomposition



Linear Block Codes

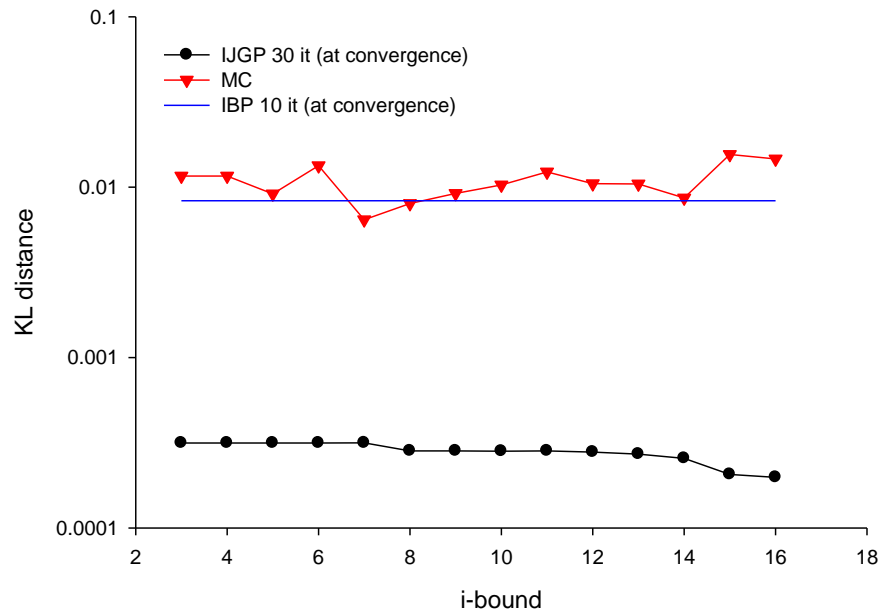


Coding Networks – Bit Error Rate



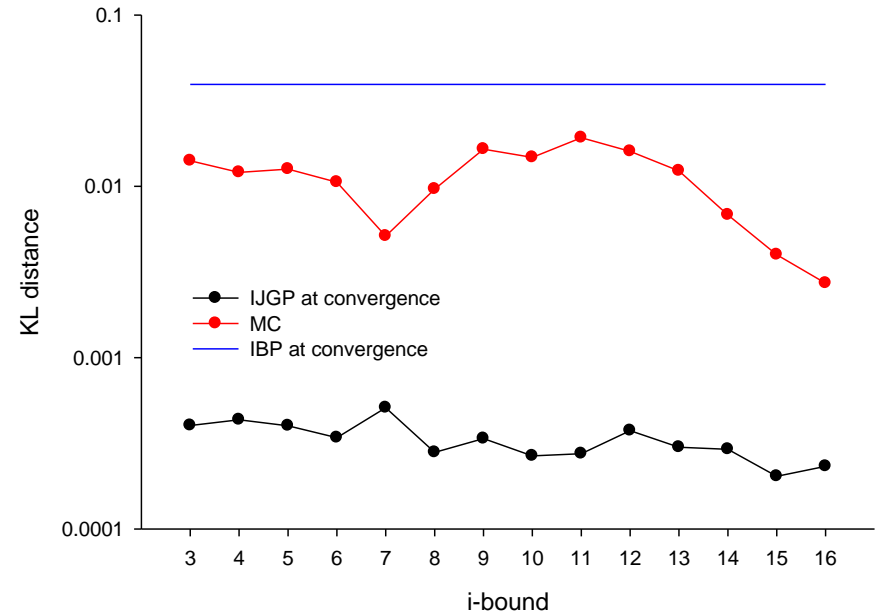
CPCS 422 – KL Distance

CPCS 422, evid=0, $w^*=23$, 1instance



evidence=0

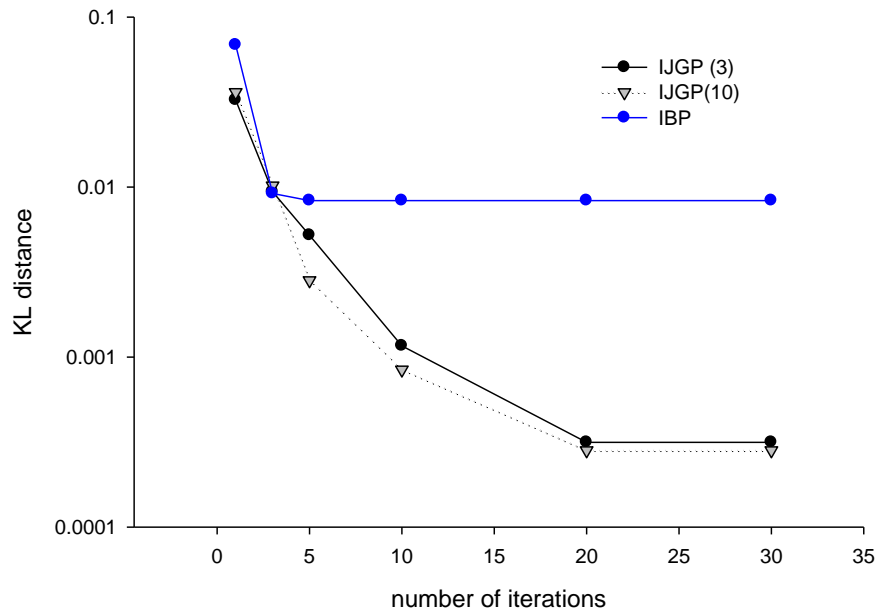
CPCS 422, evid=30, $w^*=23$, 1instance



evidence=30

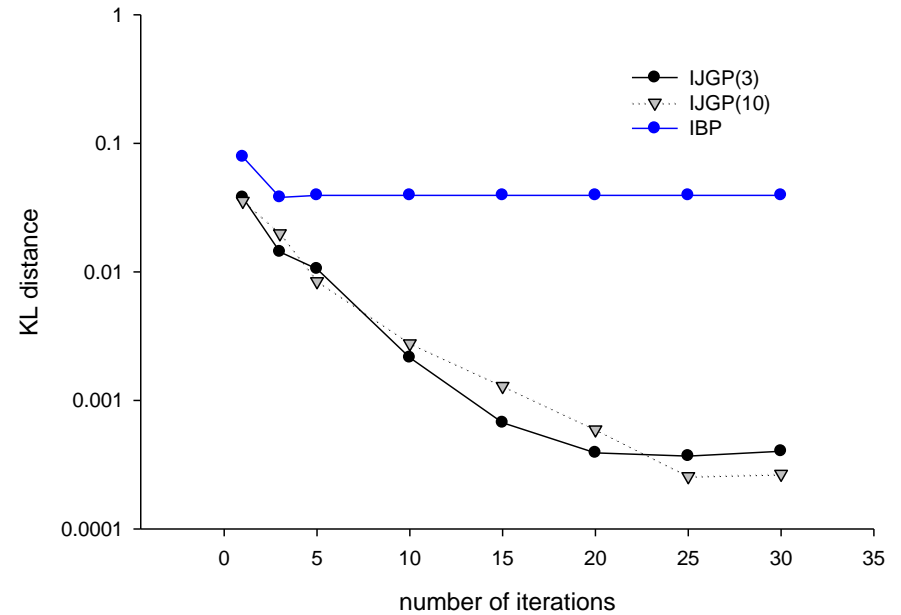
CPCS 422 – KL vs. Iterations

CPCS 422, evid=0, w*=23, 1instance



evidence=0

CPCS 422, evid=30, w*=23, 1instance



evidence=30

Inference Power of Loopy BP

- Comparison with iterative algorithms in **constraint networks**
 - Zero-beliefs inconsistent assignments
- ⇔
- ϵ -small beliefs – experimental study

Constraint networks

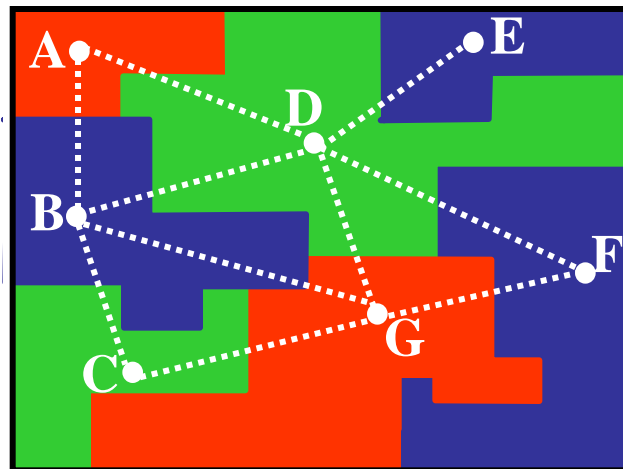
Map coloring

Variables: countries (A B C etc.)

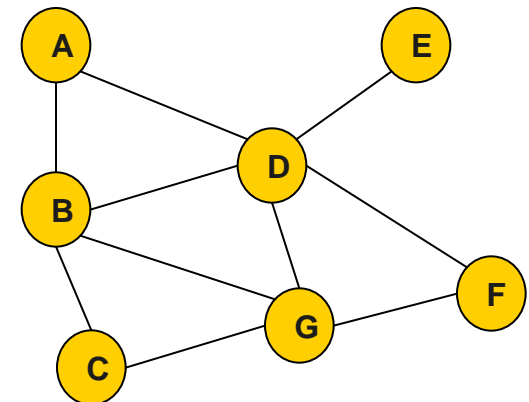
Values: colors (red green blue)

Constraints: **A ≠ B, A ≠ D, D ≠ E, etc.**

A	B
red	green
red	yellow
green	red
green	yellow
yellow	green
yellow	red

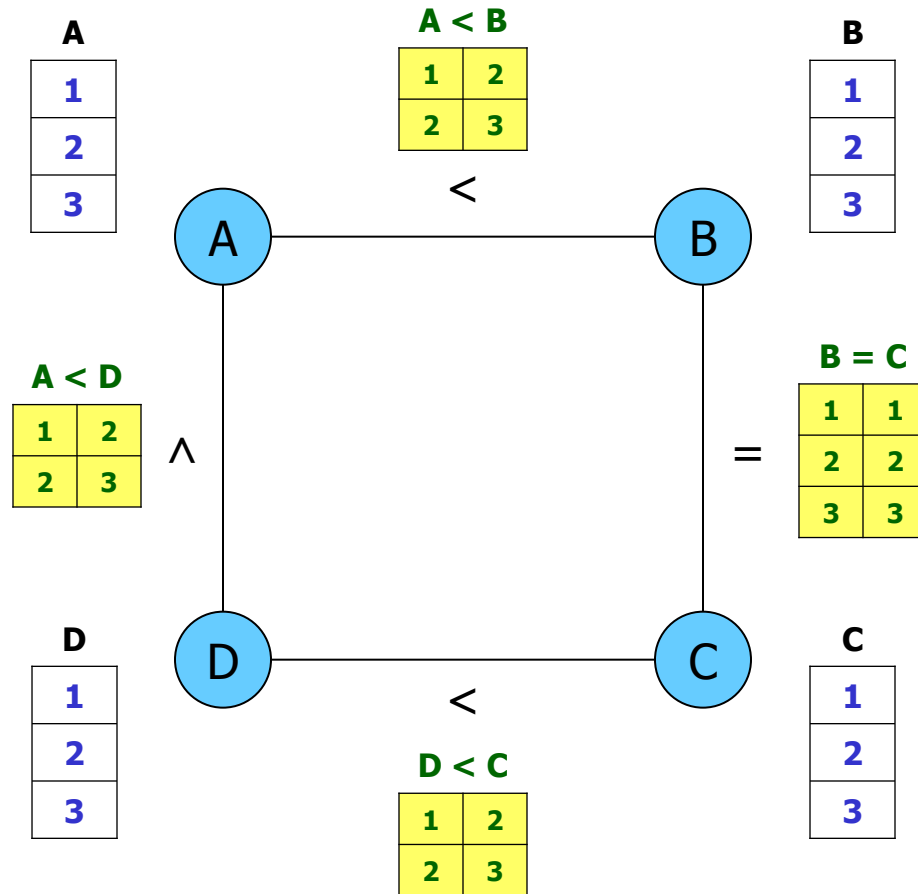


Constraint graph



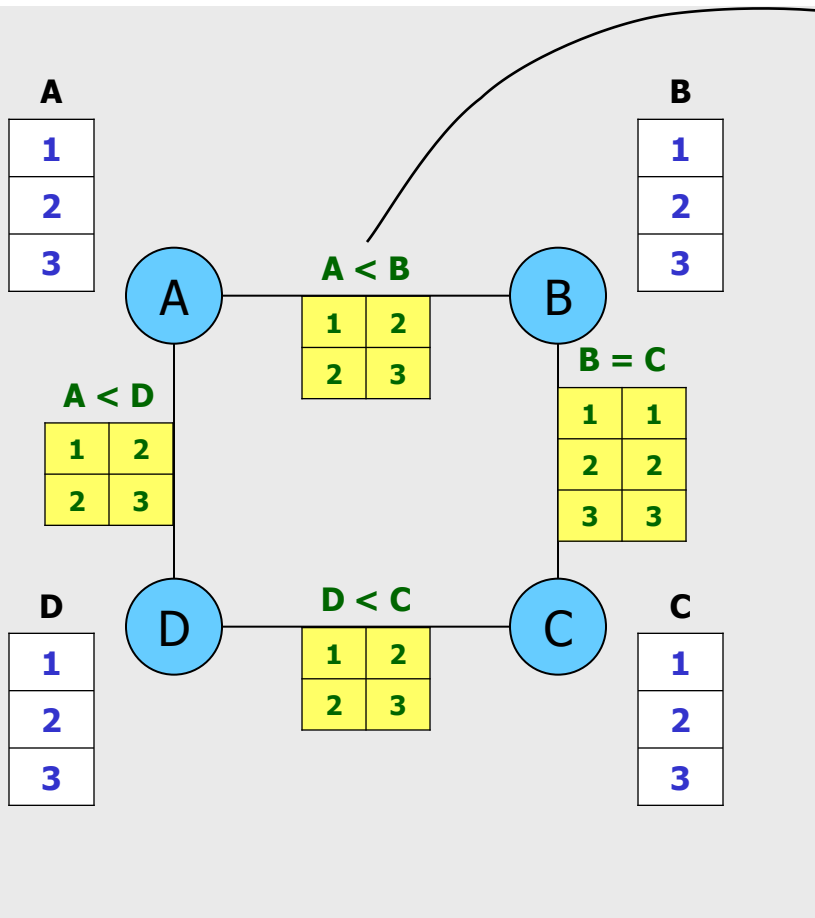
Arc-consistency

- Sound
- Incomplete
- Always converges (polynomial)

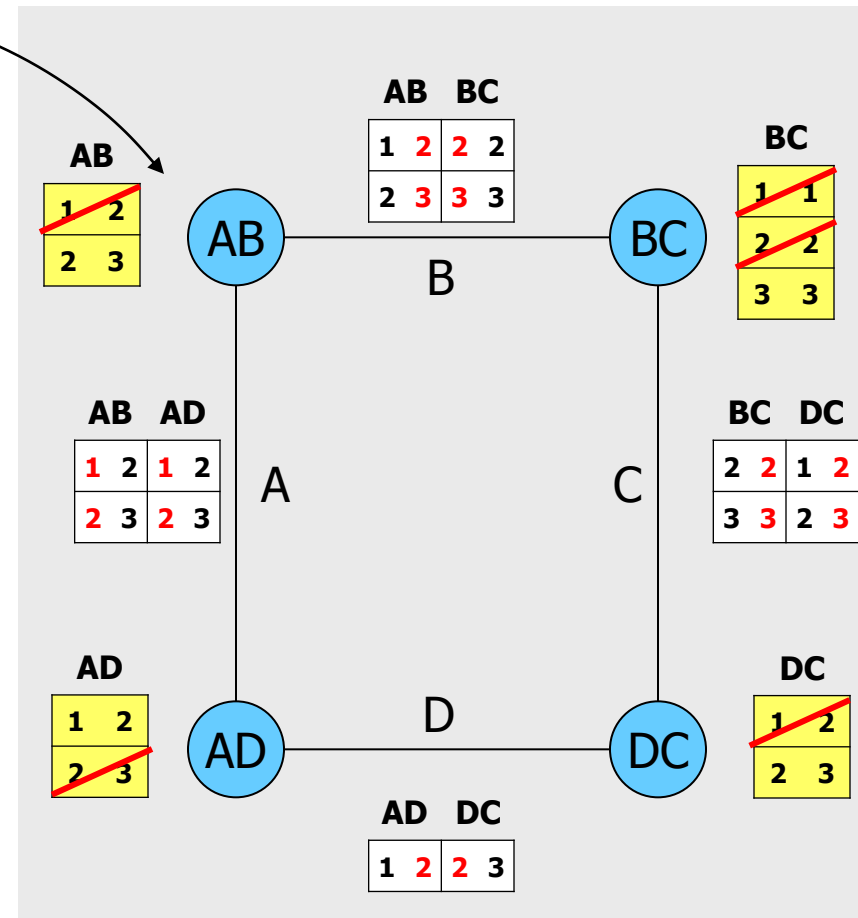


Relational Distributed Arc-Consistency

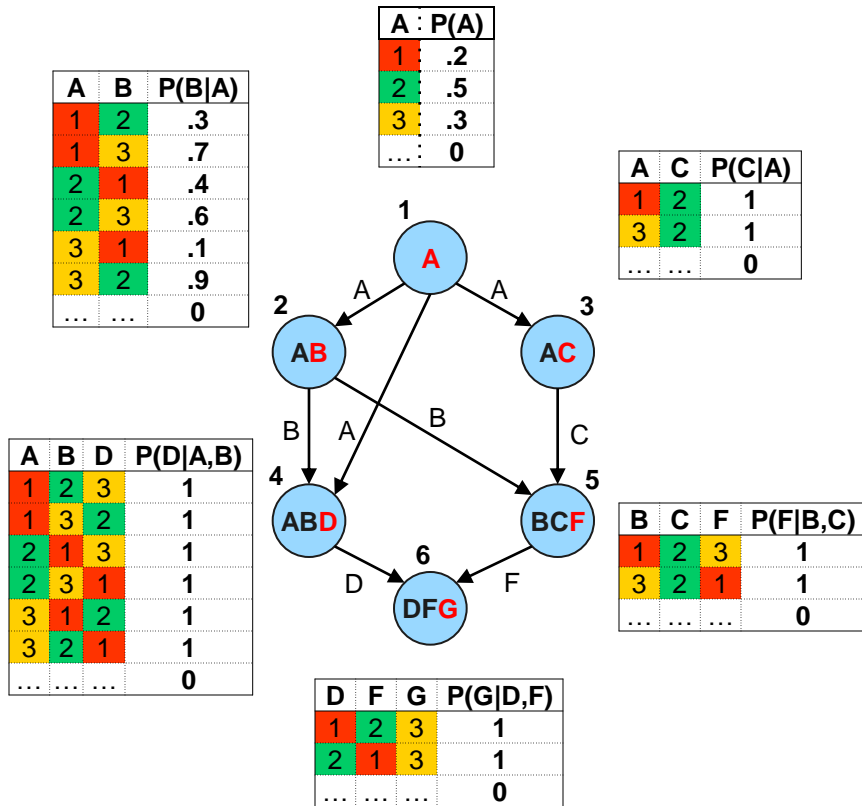
Primal



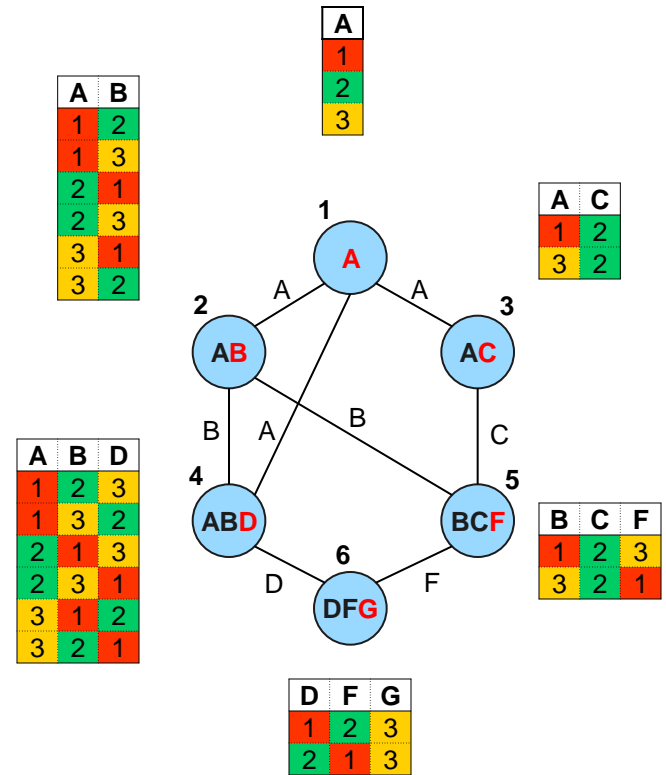
Dual



Flattening the Bayesian Network



Belief network



Flat constraint network



LBP – inference power for zero beliefs

- **Theorem:**

Trace of zero beliefs of **Loopy Belief Propagation** =
Trace of invalid tuples of **arc-consistency** on flat network

- **Soundness:**

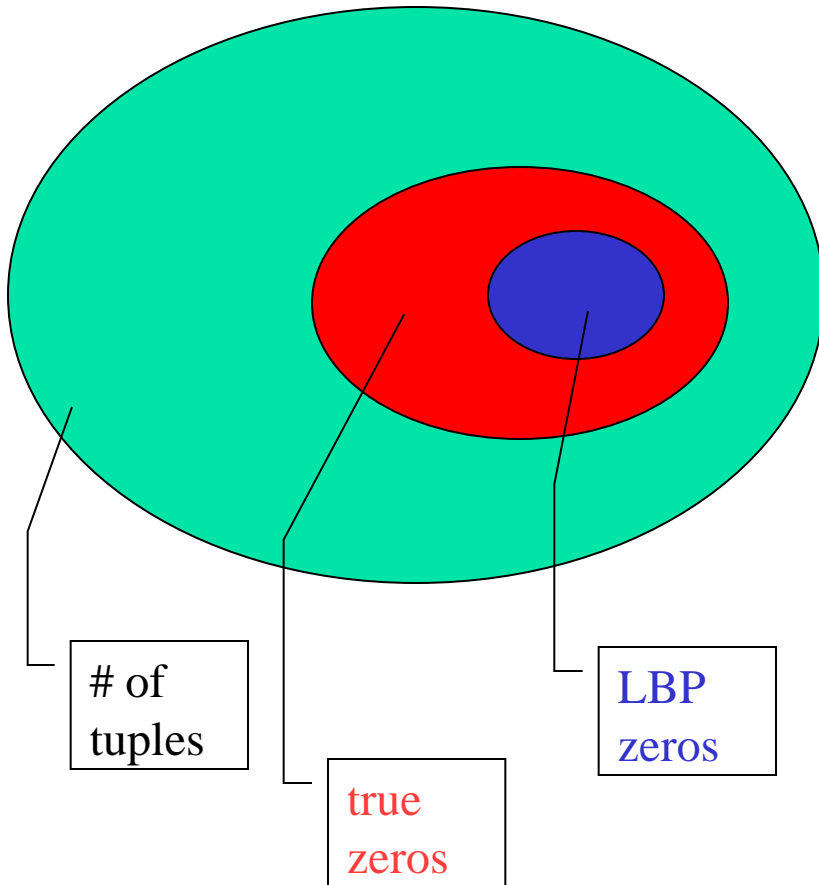
- The inference of zero beliefs by Loopy BP **converges** in a finite number of iterations
- **all the inferred zero beliefs are correct**

- **Incompleteness:**

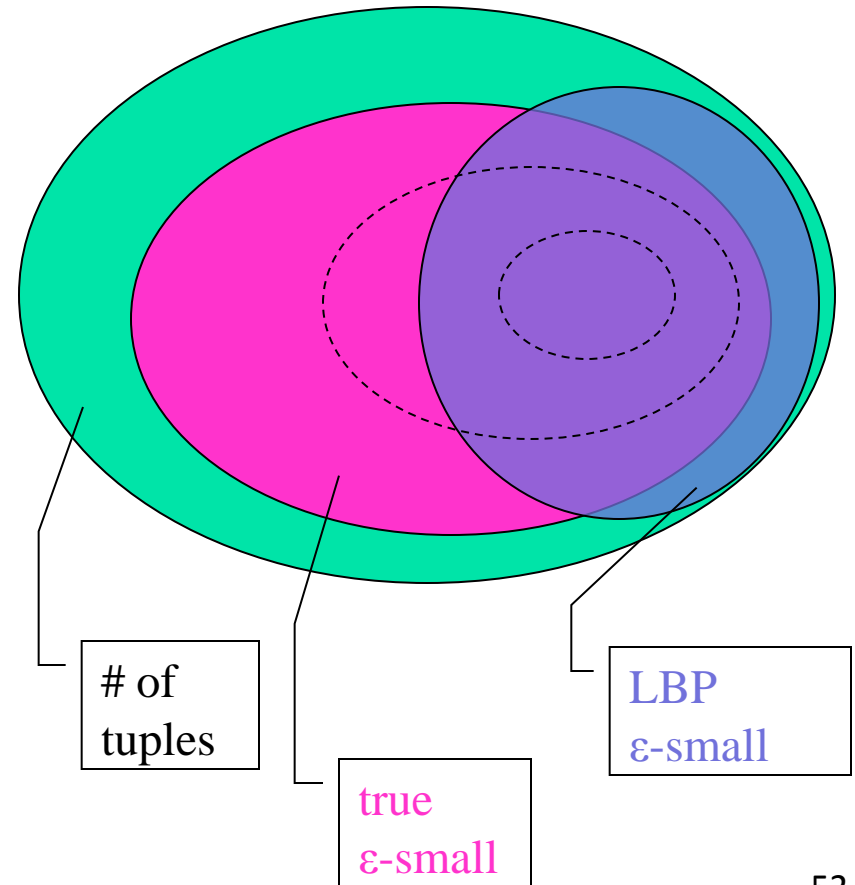
- Loopy BP may not infer all the true zero beliefs

Zero and ϵ -Small Beliefs

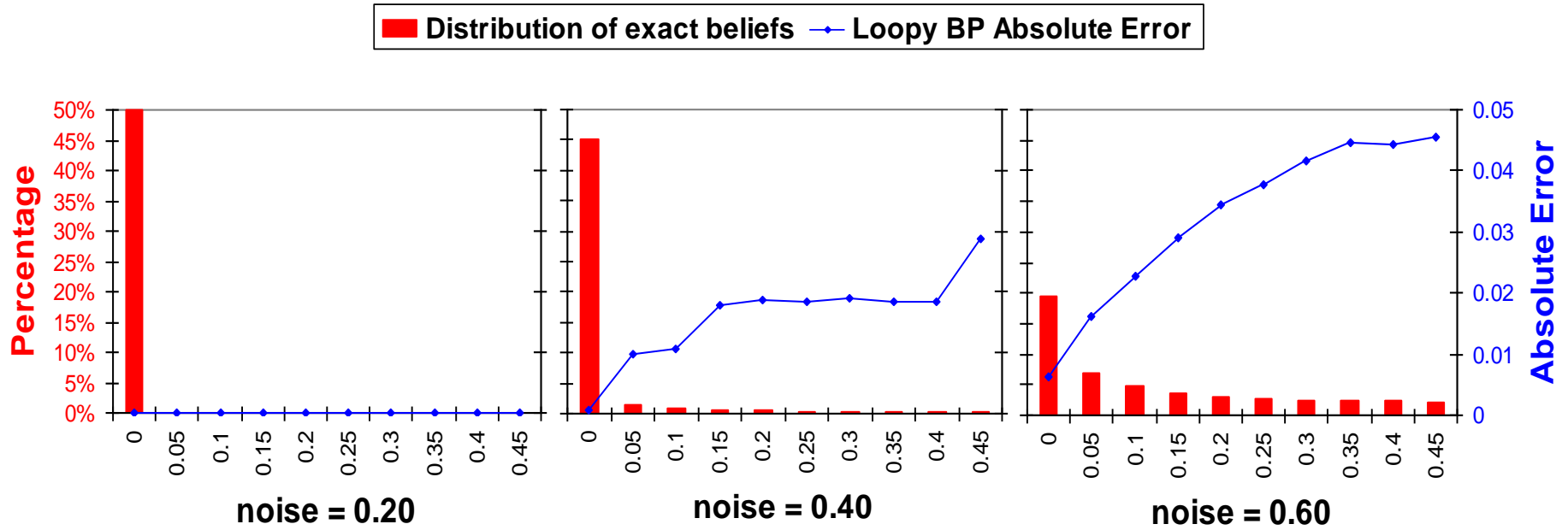
Zero beliefs



ϵ -small beliefs



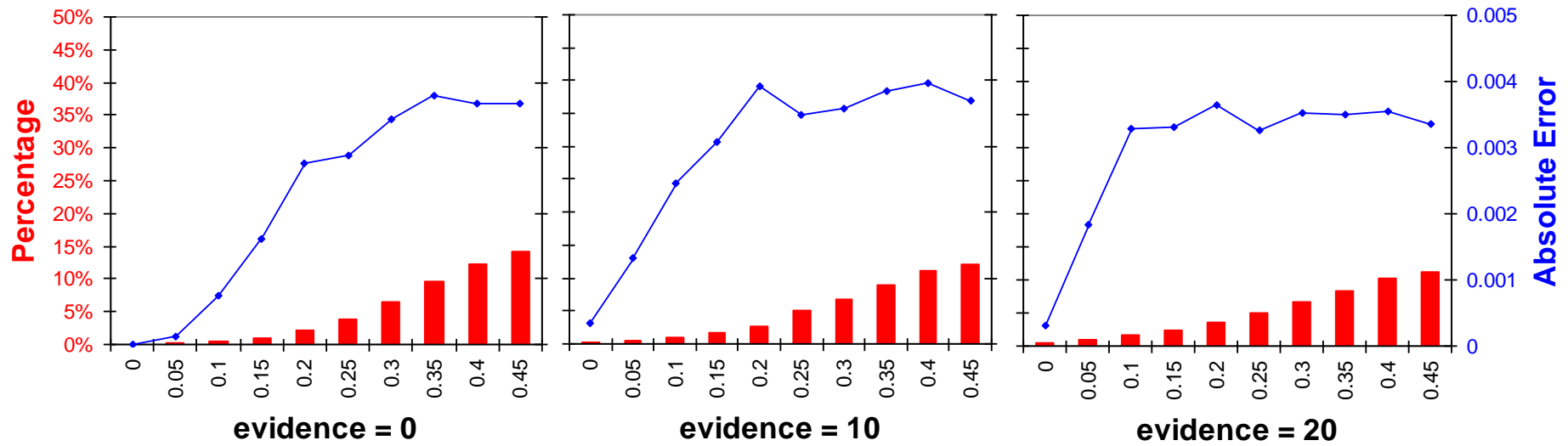
Coding Networks



$N=200$, 1000 instances, treewidth=15

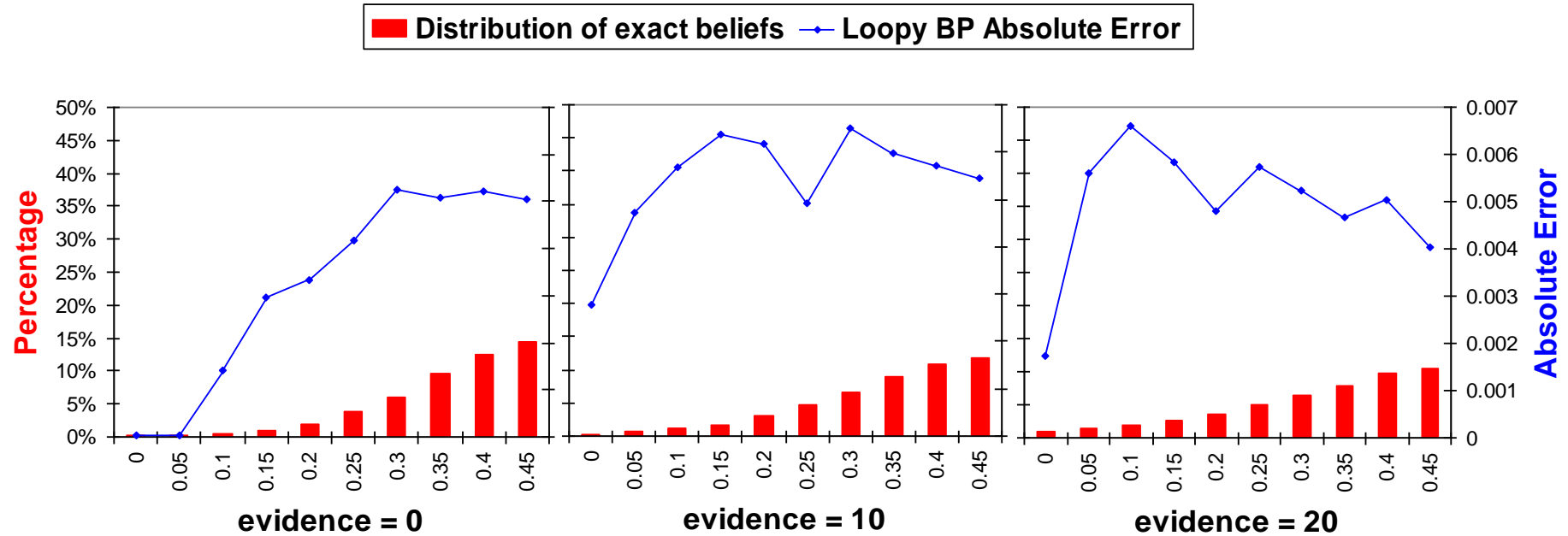
10x10 Grids

■ Distribution of exact beliefs ◆ Loopy BP Absolute Error



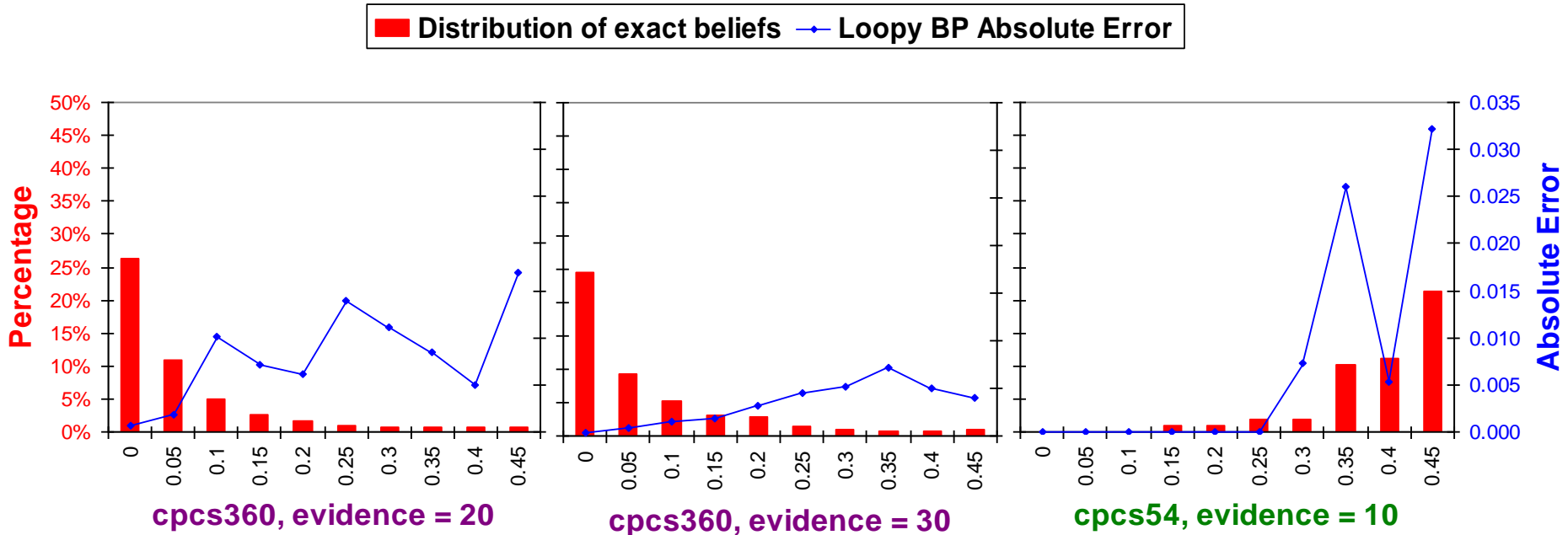
$N=100$, 100 instances, $w^*=15$

Random Networks



$N=80$, 100 instances, $w^*=15$

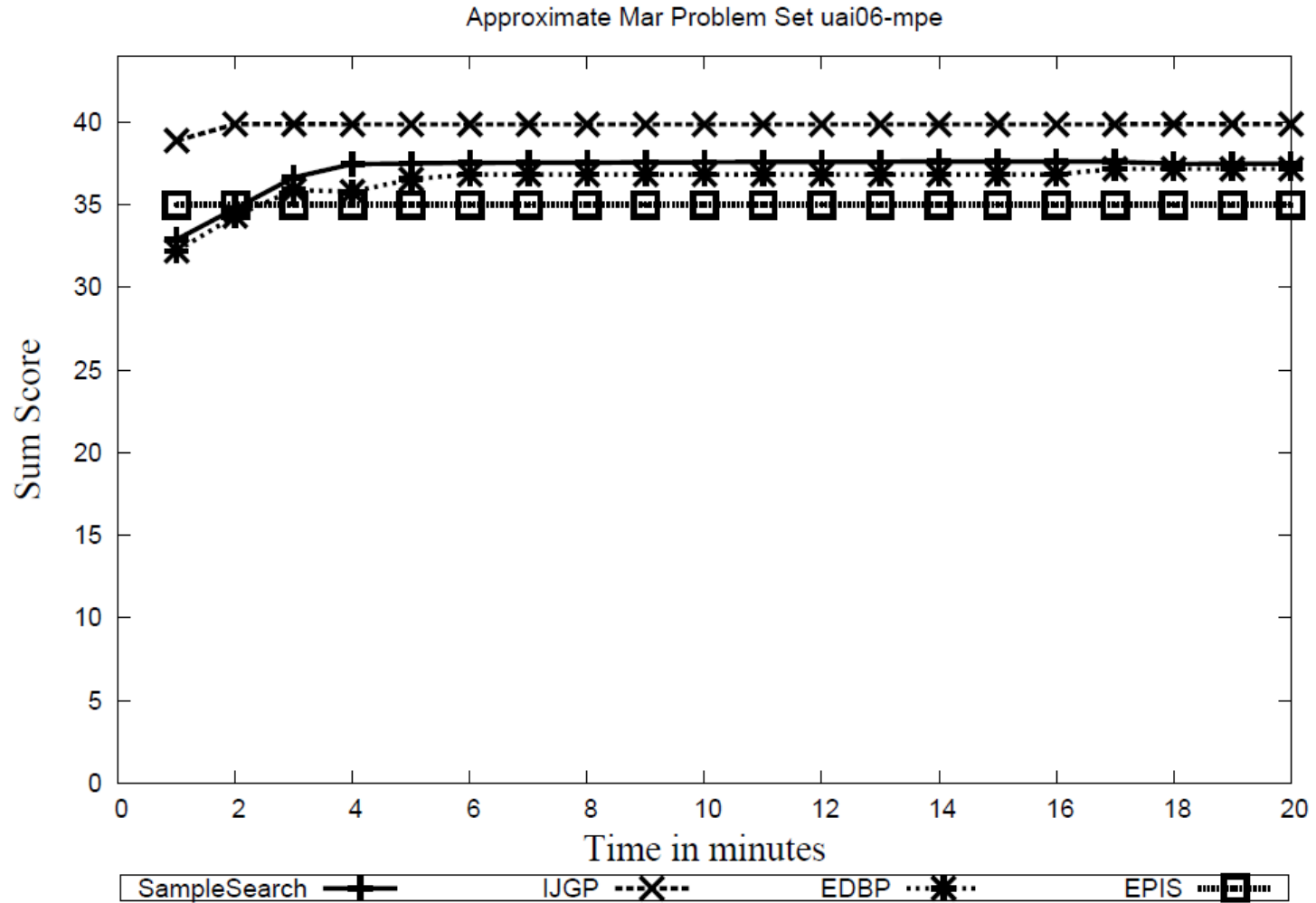
CPCS 54, CPCS360



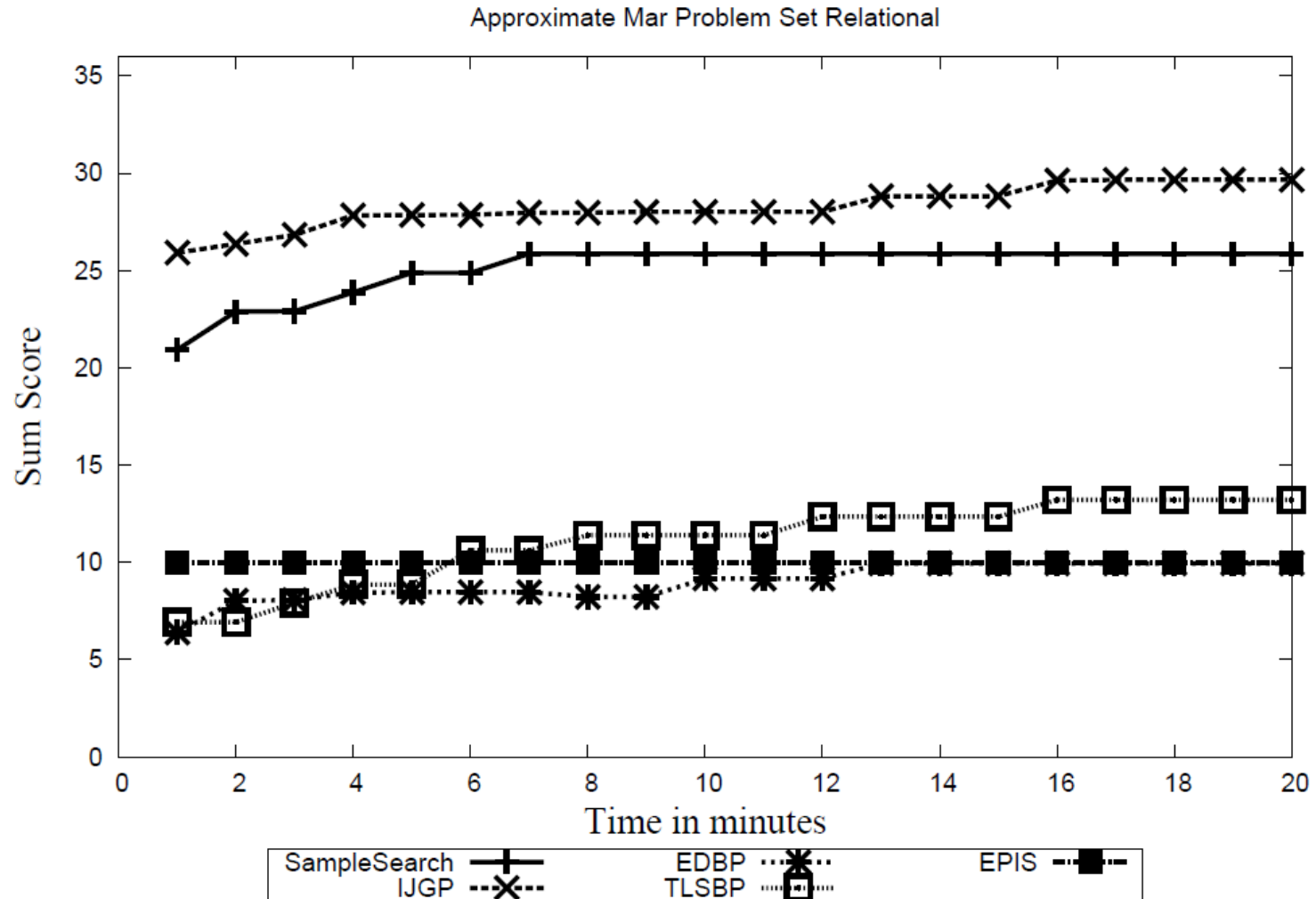
CPCS360: 5 instances, $w^*=20$

CPCS54: 100 instances, $w^*=15$

IJGP on UAI06 problems



IJGP on Set Relational





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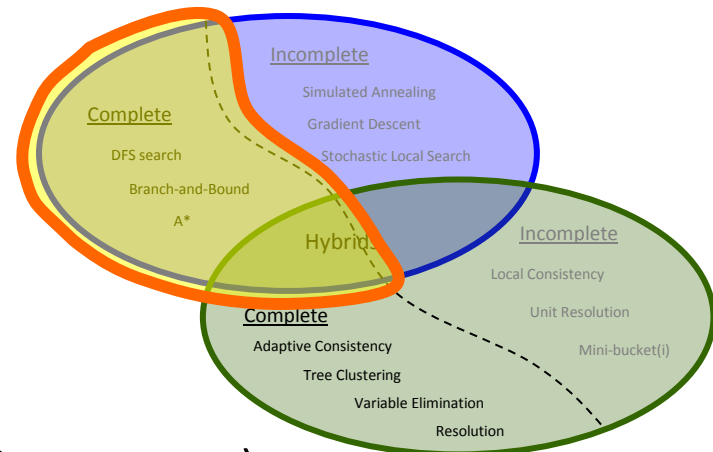
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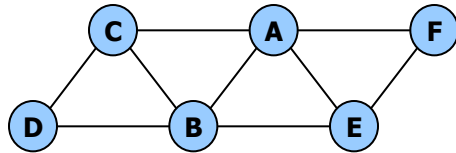
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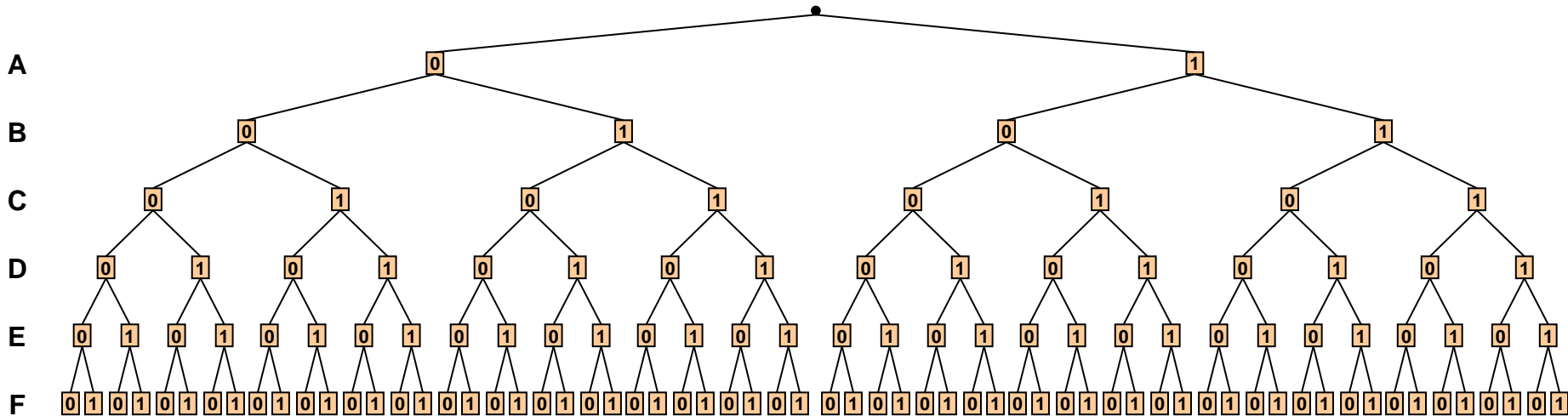


Classic OR Search Space

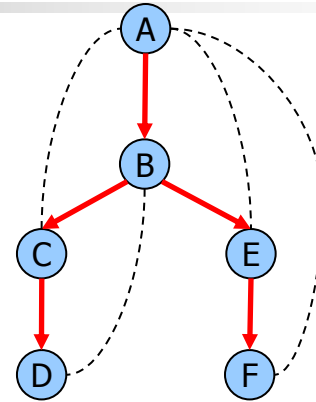
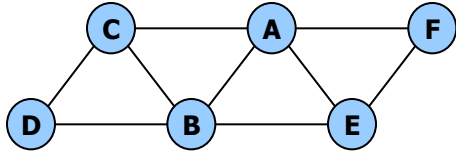


A	B	f_1	A	C	f_2	A	E	f_3	A	F	f_4	B	C	f_5	B	D	f_6	B	E	f_7	C	D	f_8	E	F	f_9
0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	4	0	1	0
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1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	4	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	2

$$f(\mathbf{X}) = \min_x \sum_{i=1}^9 f_i(\mathbf{X})$$



The AND/OR Search Tree



Pseudo tree (Freuder and Quinn, IJCAI85)

OR

AND

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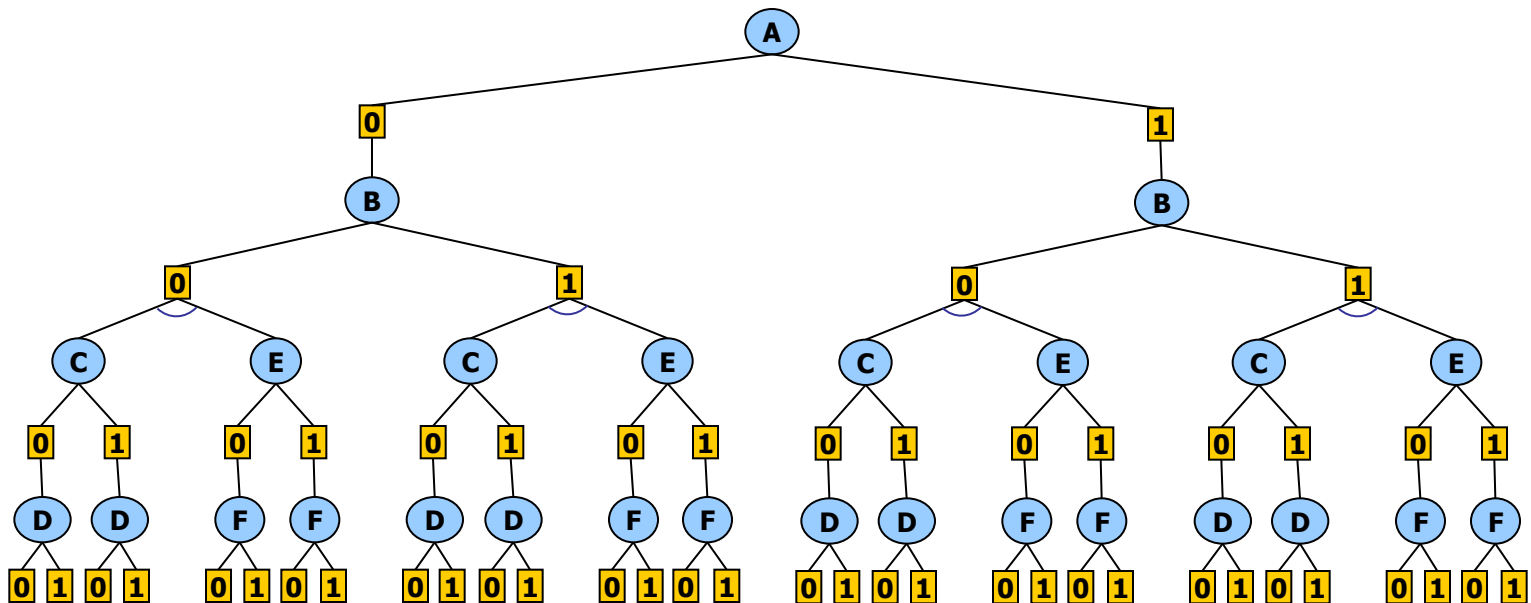
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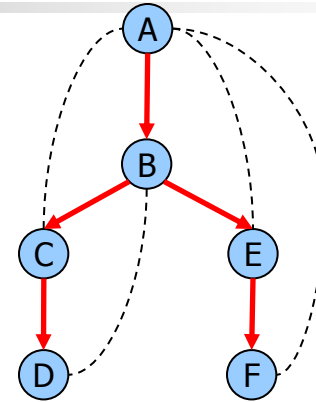
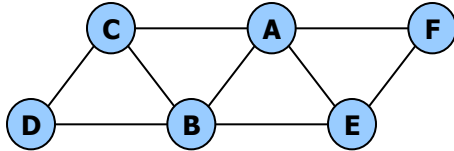
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The AND/OR Search Tree



Pseudo tree

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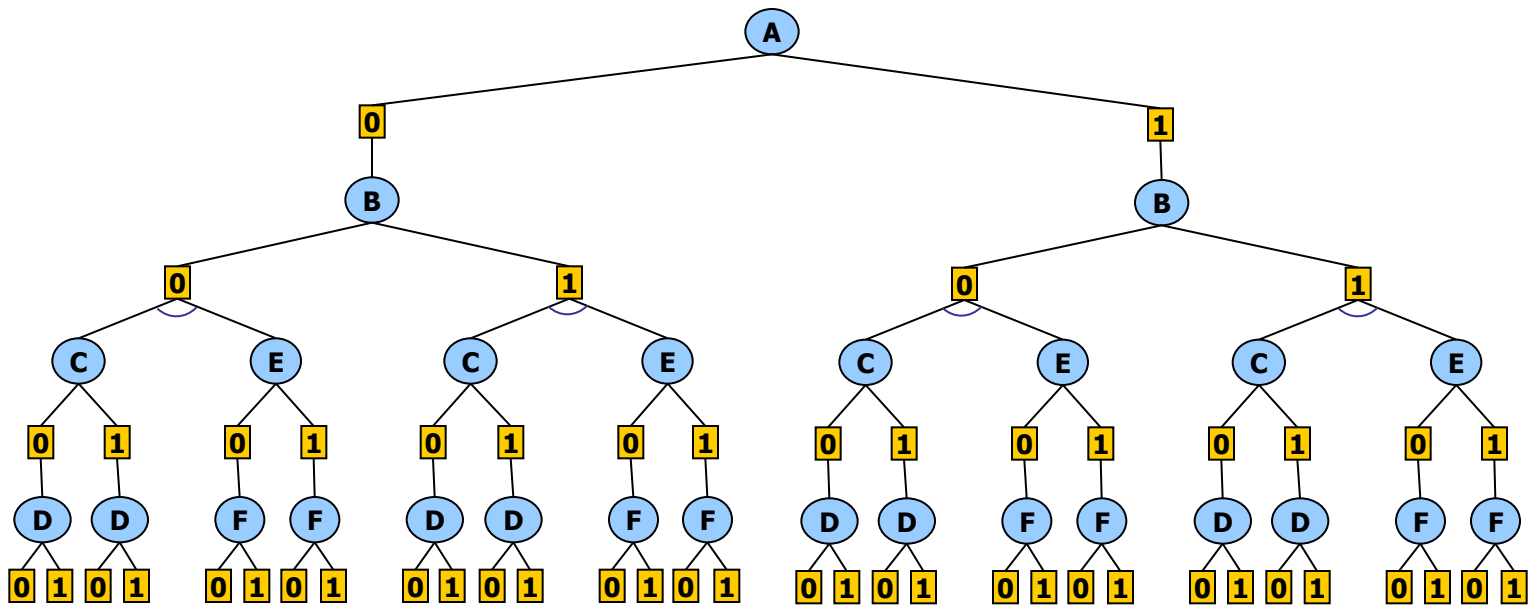
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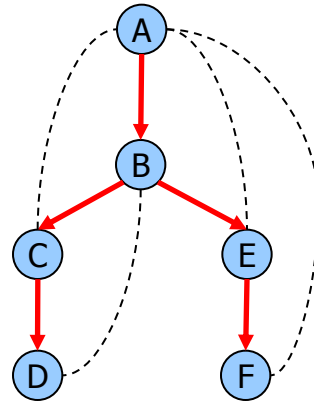
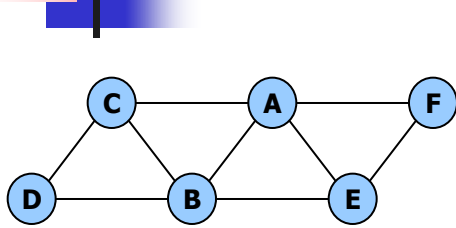
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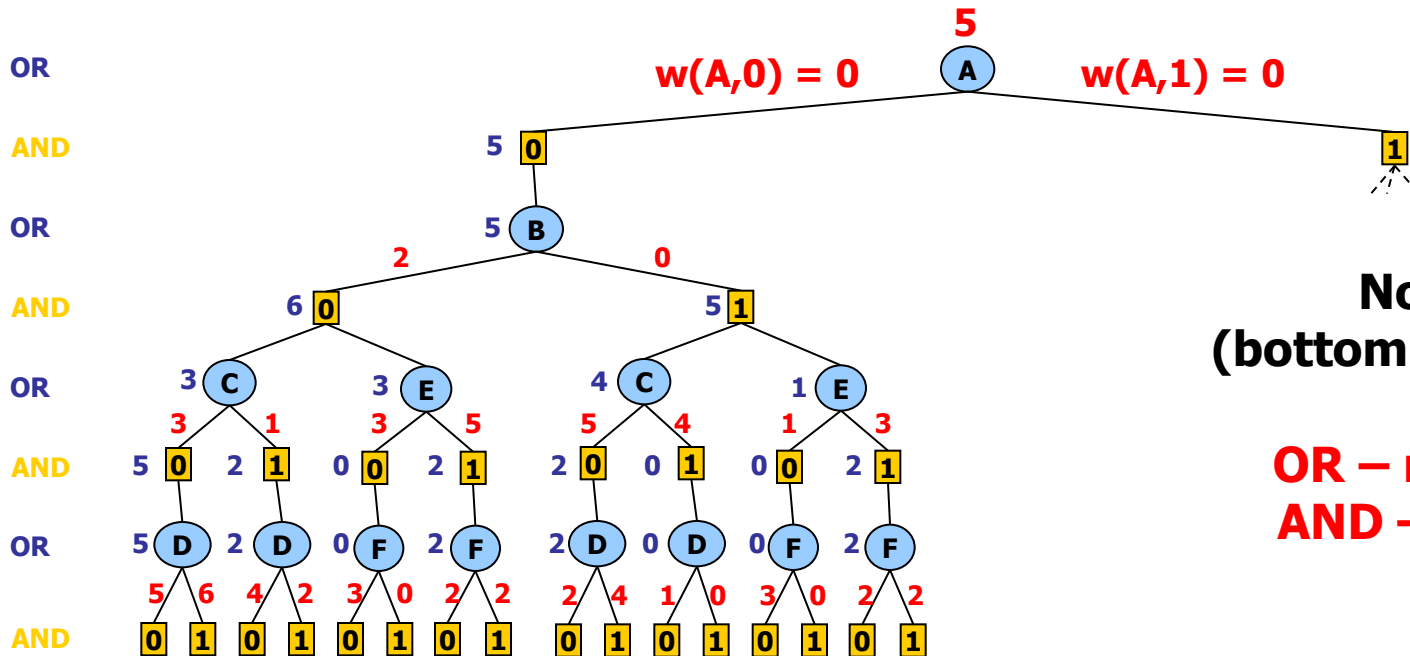
A solution subtree is $(A=0, B=1, C=0, D=0, E=1, F=1)$

Weighted AND/OR Search Tree



A	B	f_1	A	C	f_2	A	E	f_3	A	F	f_4	B	C	f_5	B	D	f_6	B	E	f_7	C	D	f_8	E	F	f_9
0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	4	0	1	0
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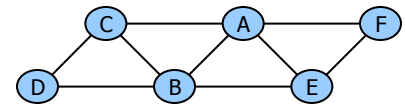
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Node Value
(bottom-up evaluation)

OR – minimization
AND – summation

AND/OR vs. OR Spaces



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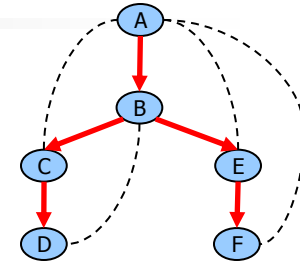
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54 nodes

126 nodes

A

B

C

D

E

F

AND/OR vs. OR Spaces

width	depth	OR space		AND/OR space		
		Time (sec.)	Nodes	Time (sec.)	AND nodes	OR nodes
5	10	3.15	2,097,150	0.03	10,494	5,247
4	9	3.13	2,097,150	0.01	5,102	2,551
5	10	3.12	2,097,150	0.03	8,926	4,463
4	10	3.12	2,097,150	0.02	7,806	3,903
5	13	3.11	2,097,150	0.10	36,510	18,255

Random graphs with 20 nodes, 20 edges and 2 values per node

Complexity of AND/OR Tree Search

	AND/OR tree	OR tree
Space	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Time	$O(n d^t)$ $O(n d^{w^* \log n})$ <small>(Freuder & Quinn85), (Collin, Dechter & Katz91), (Bayardo & Miranker95), (Darwiche01)</small>	$O(d^n)$

d = domain size

t = depth of pseudo-tree

n = number of variables

w^* = treewidth



Constructing Pseudo Trees

- AND/OR search algorithms are influenced by the **quality** of the pseudo tree
- Finding the minimal induced width / depth pseudo tree is NP-hard
- Heuristics
 - **Min-Fill** (min induced width)
 - **Hypergraph partitioning** (min depth)



Constructing Pseudo Trees

- **Min-Fill** (Kjaerulff, 1990)
 - Depth-first traversal of the induced graph obtained along the **min-fill** elimination order
 - Variables ordered according to the smallest “fill-set”

- **Hypergraph Partitioning** (Karypis and Kumar, 2000)
 - Functions are vertices in the hypergraph and variables are hyperedges
 - Recursive decomposition of the hypergraph while minimizing the separator size at each step
 - Using state-of-the-art software package **hMeTiS**

Quality of the Pseudo Trees

Network	hypergraph		min-fill	
	width	depth	width	depth
barley	7	13	7	23
diabetes	7	16	4	77
link	21	40	15	53
mildew	5	9	4	13
munin1	12	17	12	29
munin2	9	16	9	32
munin3	9	15	9	30
munin4	9	18	9	30
water	11	16	10	15
pigs	11	20	11	26

Bayesian Networks Repository

Network	hypergraph		min-fill	
	width	depth	width	depth
spot5	47	152	39	204
spot28	108	138	79	199
spot29	16	23	14	42
spot42	36	48	33	87
spot54	12	16	11	33
spot404	19	26	19	42
spot408	47	52	35	97
spot503	11	20	9	39
spot505	29	42	23	74
spot507	70	122	59	160

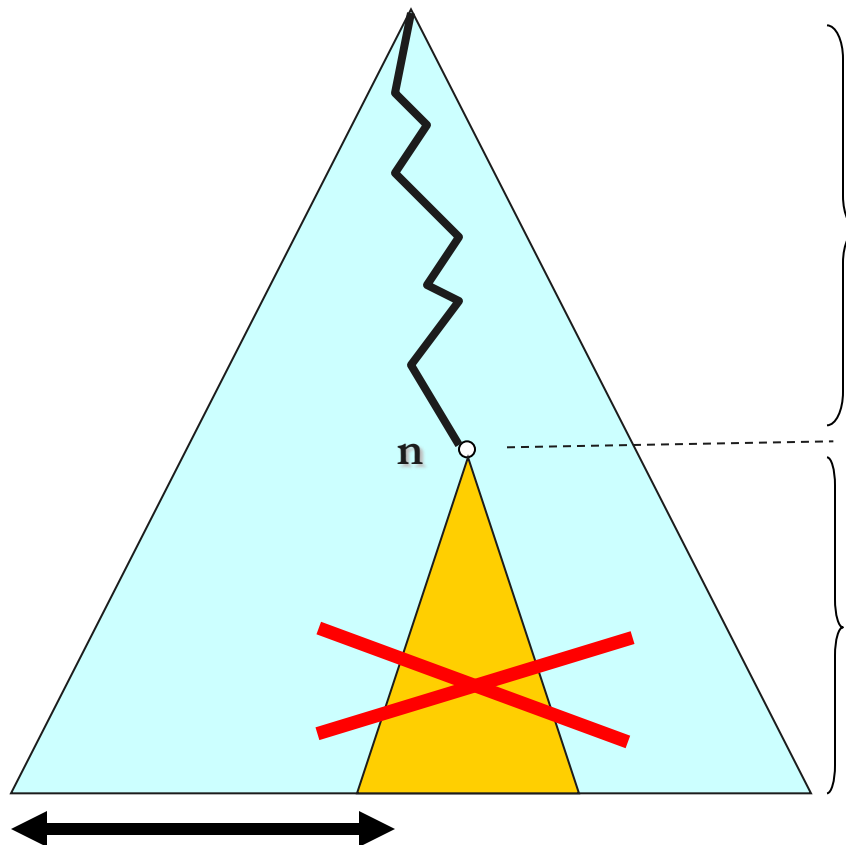
SPOT5 Benchmarks



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Classic Branch-and-Bound Search



Each node is a COP subproblem
(defined by current conditioning)

$g(n)$

$$f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$$

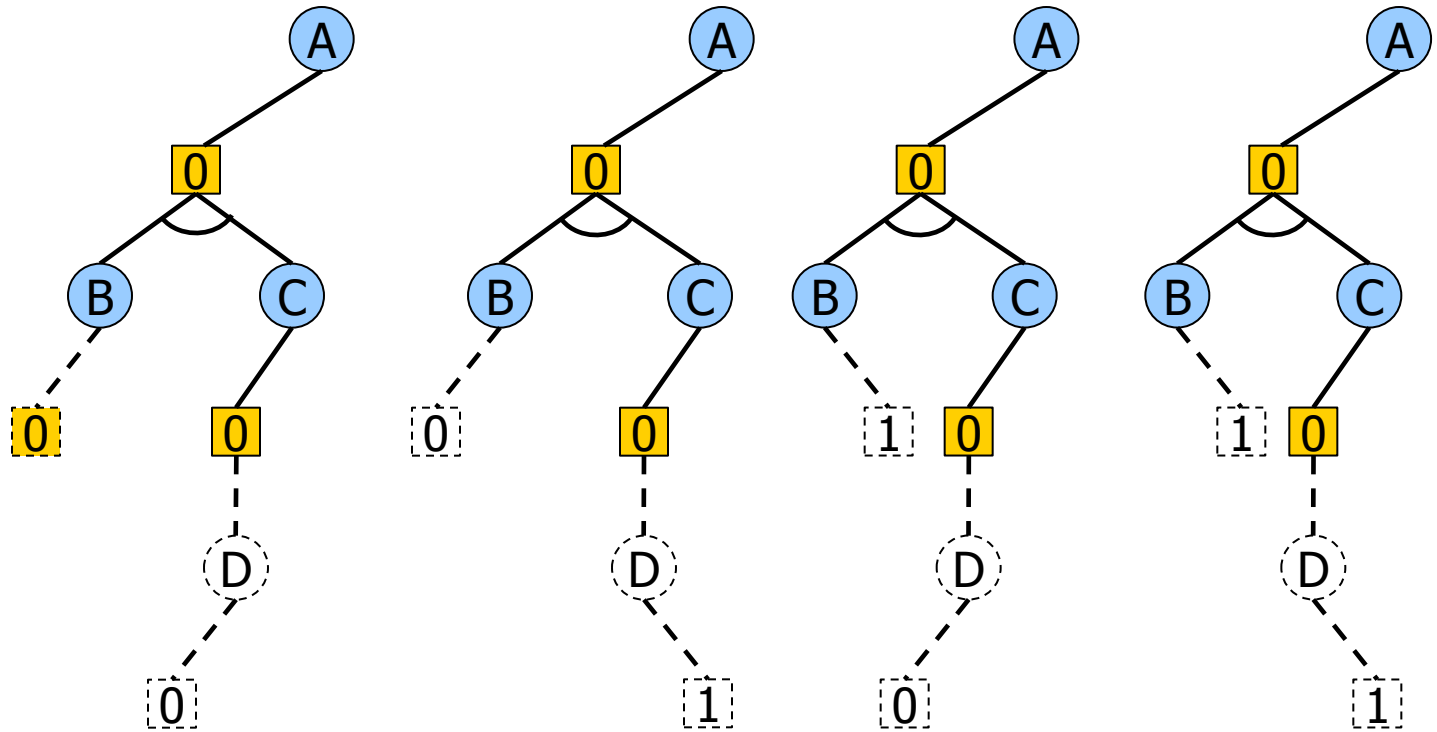
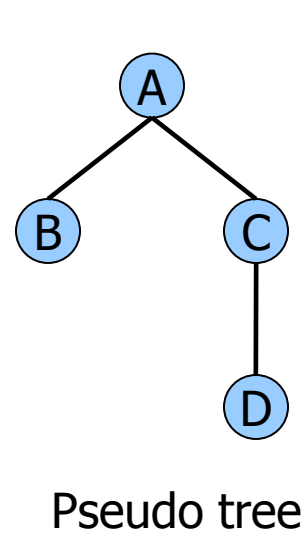
$f(n)$ = lower bound

Prune if $f(n) \geq \text{UB}$

$h(n)$ - under-estimates
optimal cost below n

(UB) Upper Bound = best solution so far

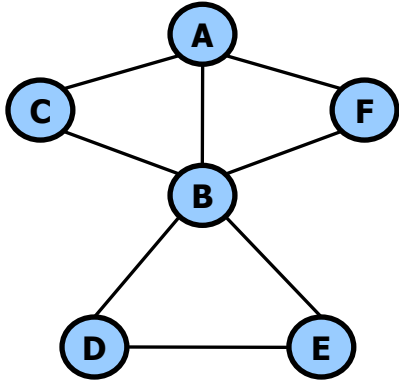
Partial Solution Tree



(A=0, B=0, C=0, D=0) (A=0, B=0, C=0, D=1) (A=0, B=1, C=0, D=0) (A=0, B=1, C=0, D=1)

Extension(T') – solution trees that extend T'

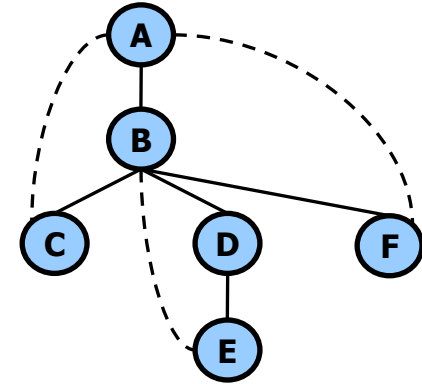
Exact Evaluation Function



A	B	C	$f_1(ABC)$
0	0	0	2
0	0	1	5
0	1	0	3
0	1	1	5
1	0	0	9
1	0	1	3
1	1	0	7
1	1	1	2

A	B	F	$f_2(ABF)$
0	0	0	3
0	0	1	5
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	4
1	0	0	6
1	0	1	5
1	1	0	6
1	1	1	5

B	D	E	$f_3(BDE)$
0	0	0	6
0	0	1	4
0	1	0	8
0	1	1	5
1	0	0	9
1	0	1	3
1	1	0	7
1	1	1	4



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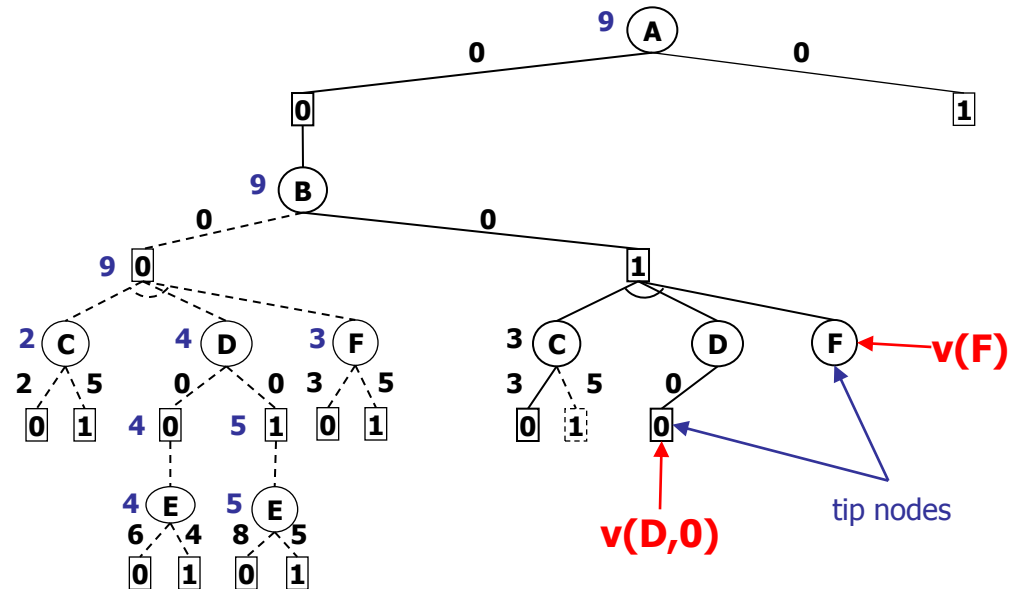
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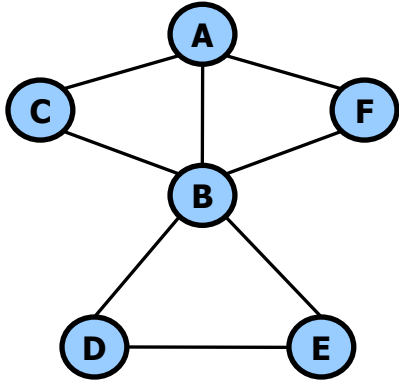
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$$f^*(T') = w(A,0) + w(B,1) + w(C,0) + w(D,0) + v(D,0) + v(F)$$

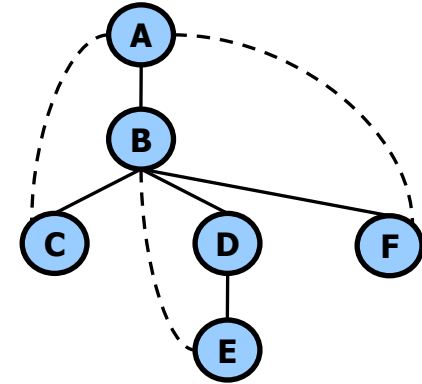
Heuristic Evaluation Function



A	B	C	$f_1(ABC)$
0	0	0	2
0	0	1	5
0	1	0	3
0	1	1	5
1	0	0	9
1	0	1	3
1	1	0	7
1	1	1	2

A	B	F	$f_2(ABF)$
0	0	0	3
0	0	1	5
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	4
1	0	0	6
1	0	1	5
1	1	0	6
1	1	1	5

B	D	E	$f_3(BDE)$
0	0	0	6
0	0	1	4
0	1	0	8
0	1	1	5
1	0	0	9
1	0	1	3
1	1	0	7
1	1	1	4



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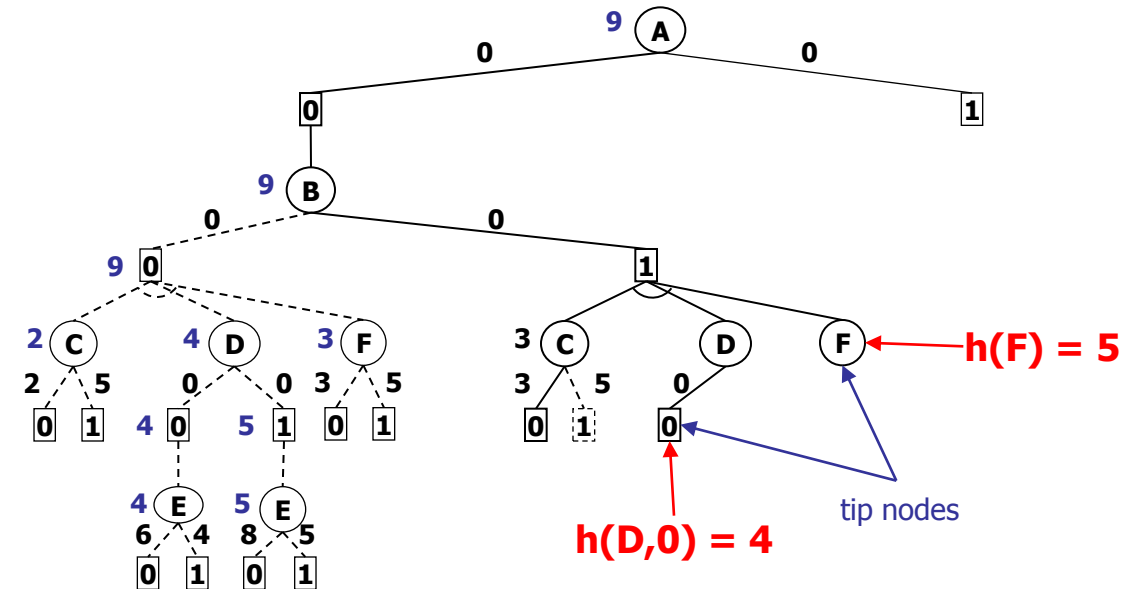
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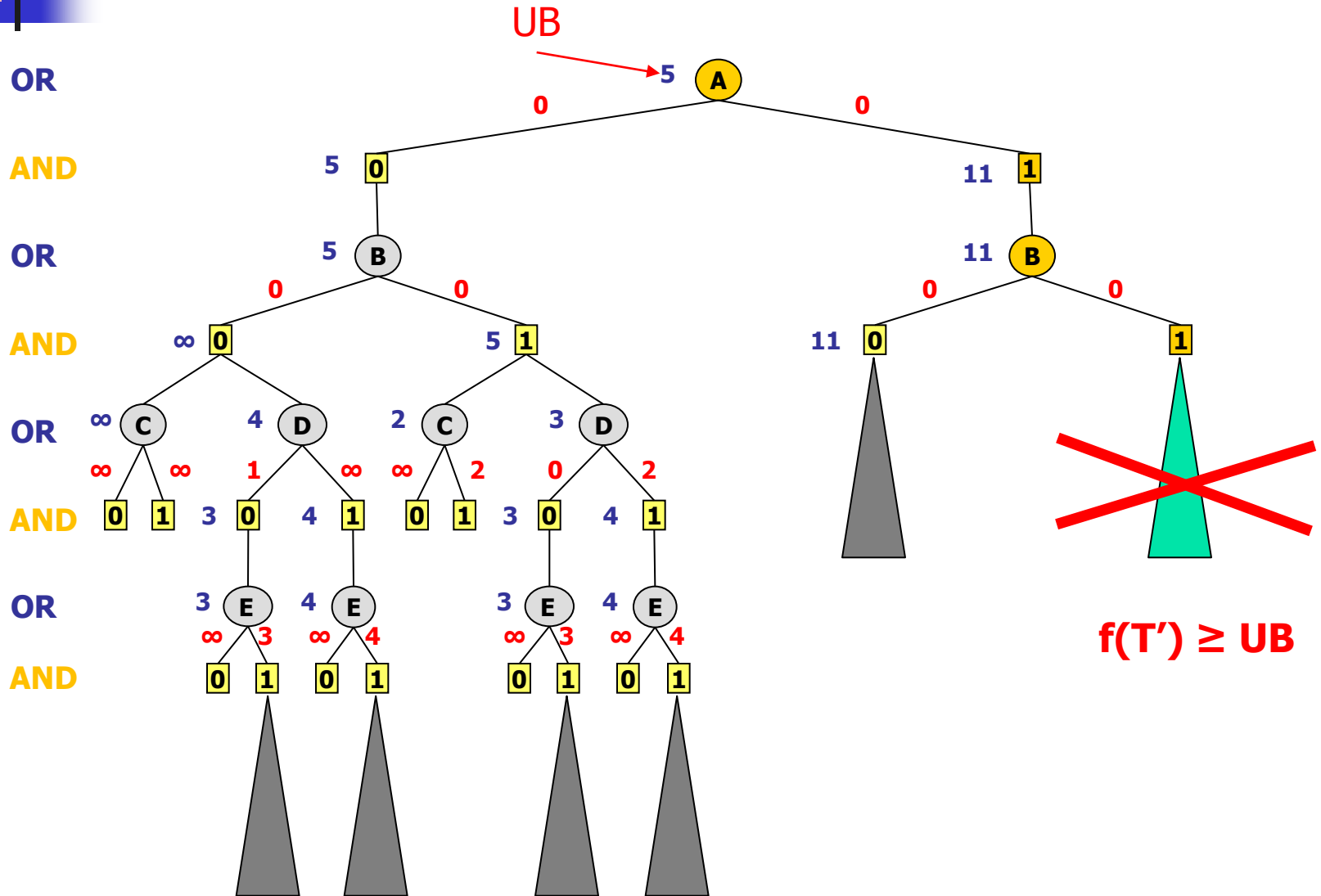
OR

AND



$$f(T') = w(A,0) + w(B,1) + w(C,0) + w(D,0) + h(D,0) + h(F) = 12 \leq f^*(T')$$

AND/OR Branch-and-Bound Search



AND/OR Branch-and-Bound Search (AOBB)

(Marinescu and Dechter, IJCAI2005, AIJ2009)

- Associate each node n with a heuristic lower bound $h(n)$ on $v(n)$
- EXPAND (top-down)
 - Evaluate $f(T')$ and prune search if $f(T') \geq UB$
 - Expand the tip node n
- PROPAGATE (bottom-up)
 - Update value of the parent p of n
 - OR nodes: minimization
 - AND nodes: summation



Heuristics for AND/OR Branch-and-Bound

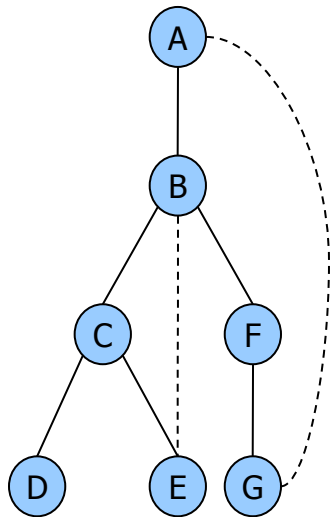
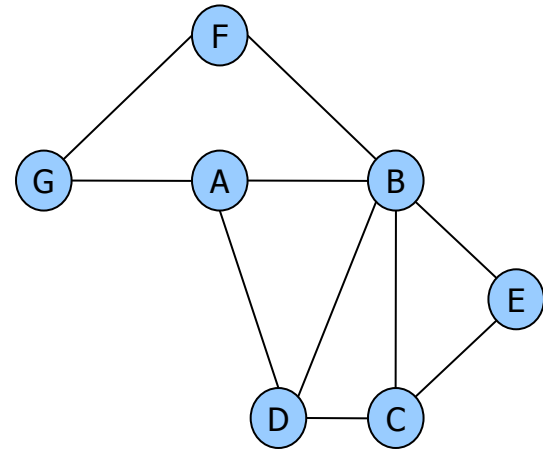
- In the AND/OR search space $h(n)$ can be computed using any heuristic. We used:
 - Static Mini-Bucket heuristics
(Kask and Dechter, AIJ2001), (Marinescu and Dechter, IJCAI2005)
 - Dynamic Mini-Bucket heuristics
(Marinescu and Dechter, IJCAI2005)
 - Maintaining local consistency
(Larrosa and Schiex, AAAI2003), (de Givry et al., IJCAI2005)
 - LP relaxations
(Nemhauser and Wolsey, 1998)



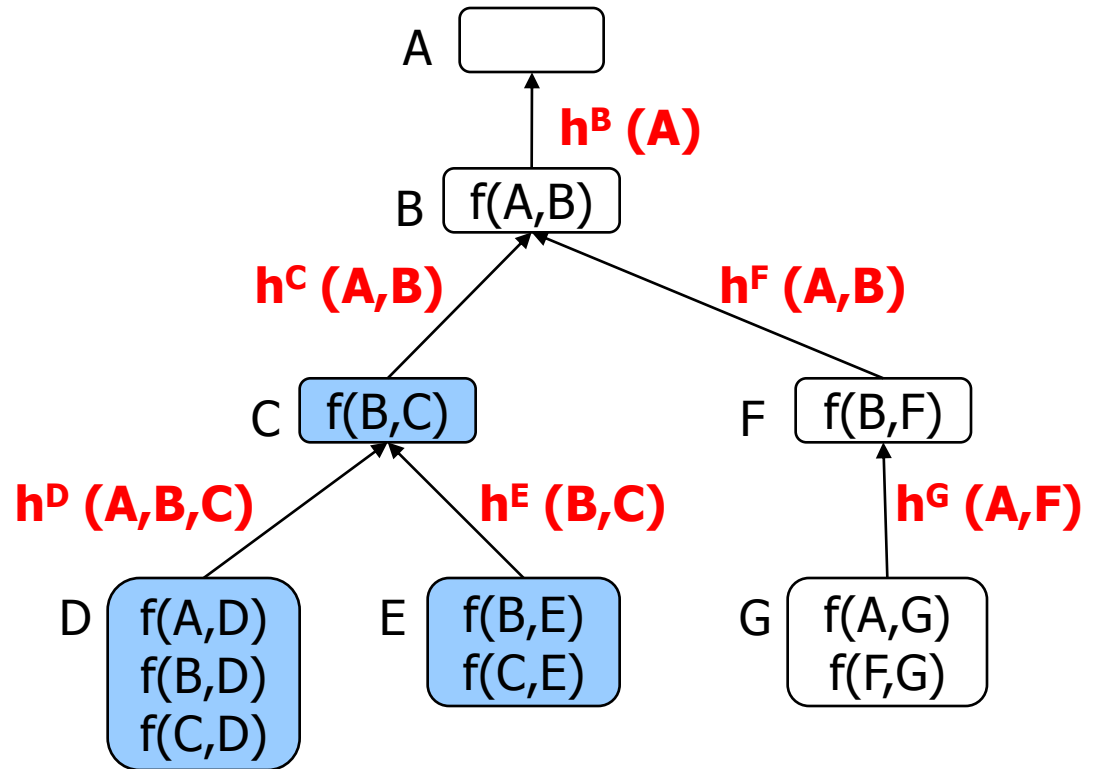
Mini-Bucket Heuristics

- Static Mini-Buckets
 - Pre-compiled
 - Reduced overhead
 - Less accurate
 - Static variable ordering
- Dynamic Mini-Buckets
 - Computed dynamically
 - Higher overhead
 - High accuracy
 - Dynamic variable ordering

Bucket Elimination

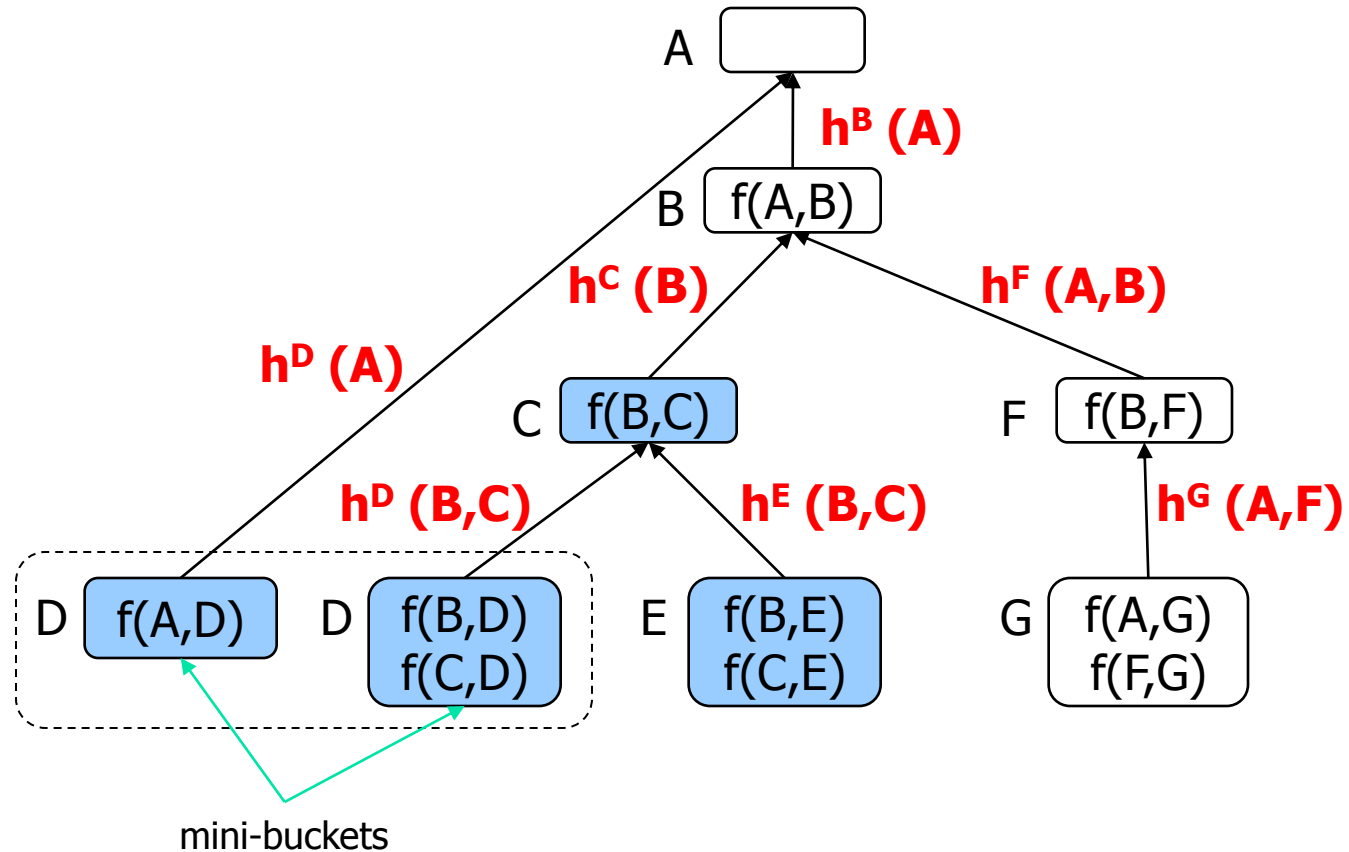
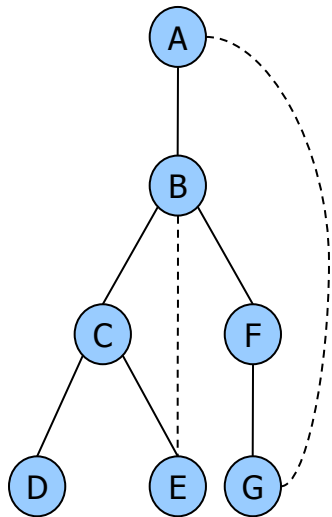
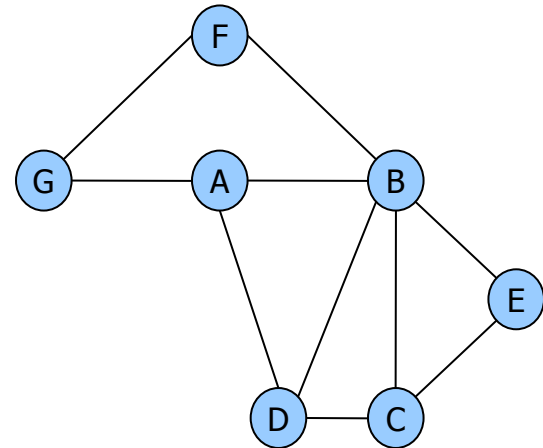


Ordering: (A, B, C, D, E, F, G)



$$h^*(a, b, c) = h^D(a, b, c) + h^E(b, c)$$

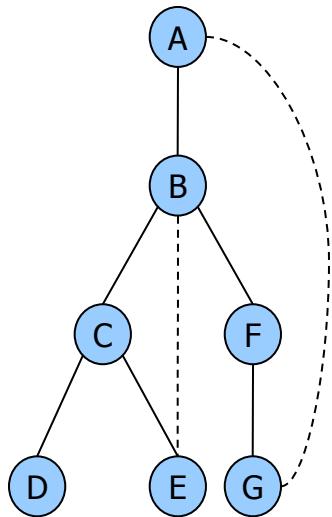
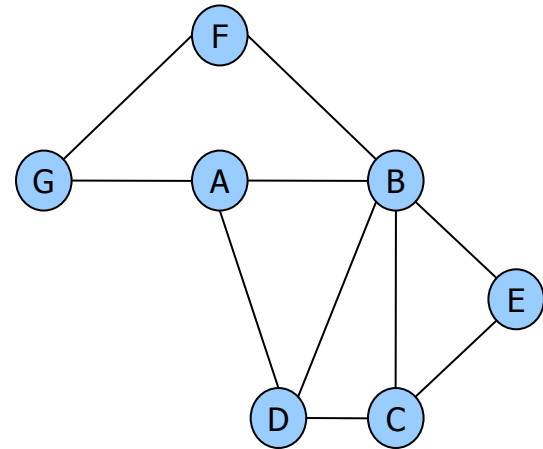
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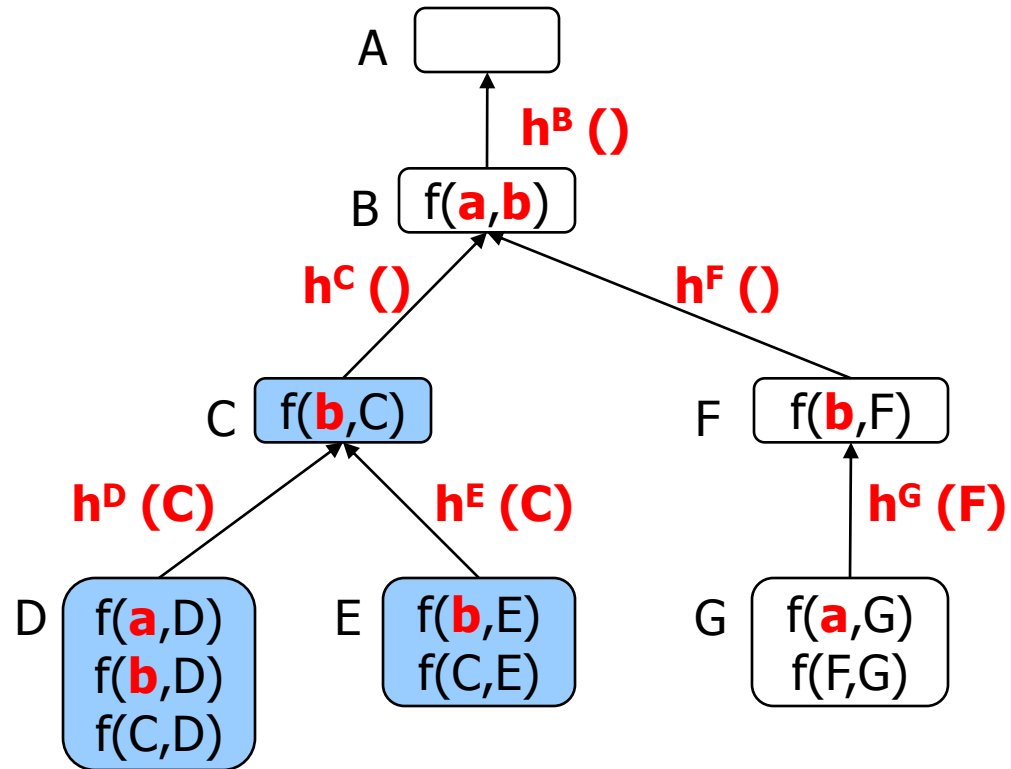
$$h(a, b, c) = h^D(a) + h^D(b, c) + h^E(b, c) \leq h^*(a, b, c)$$

Ordering: (A, B, C, D, E, F, G)

Dynamic Mini-Bucket Heuristics



Ordering: (A, B, C, D, E, F, G)



$$\begin{aligned}
 h(a, b, c) &= h^D(c) + h^E(c) \\
 &= h^*(a, b, c)
 \end{aligned}$$



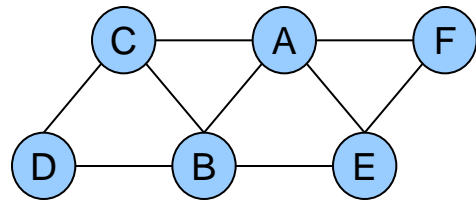
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 - Lower bounding heuristics
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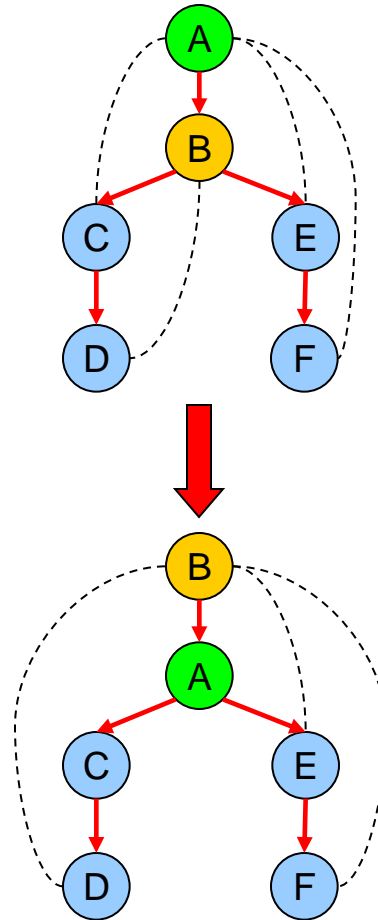
- Variable ordering heuristics:
 - **Semantic-based**
 - Aim at shrinking the size of the search space based on context and current value assignments
 - e.g. min-domain, min-dom/deg, min reduced cost
 - **Graph-based**
 - Aim at maximizing the problem decomposition
 - e.g. pseudo-tree arrangement

Orthogonal forces, use one as primary and break ties based on the other

Partial Variable Ordering



Primal graph



Variable Groups/Chains:

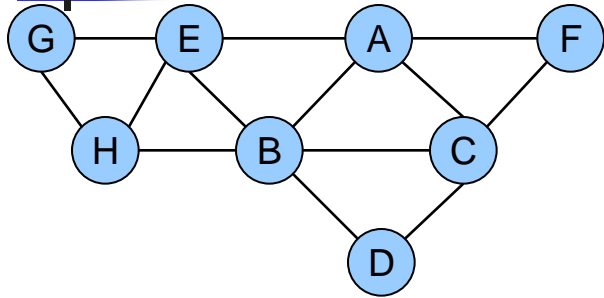
- {A,B}
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Instantiate {A,B}
before {C,D} and {E,F}

*{A,B} is a separator/chain

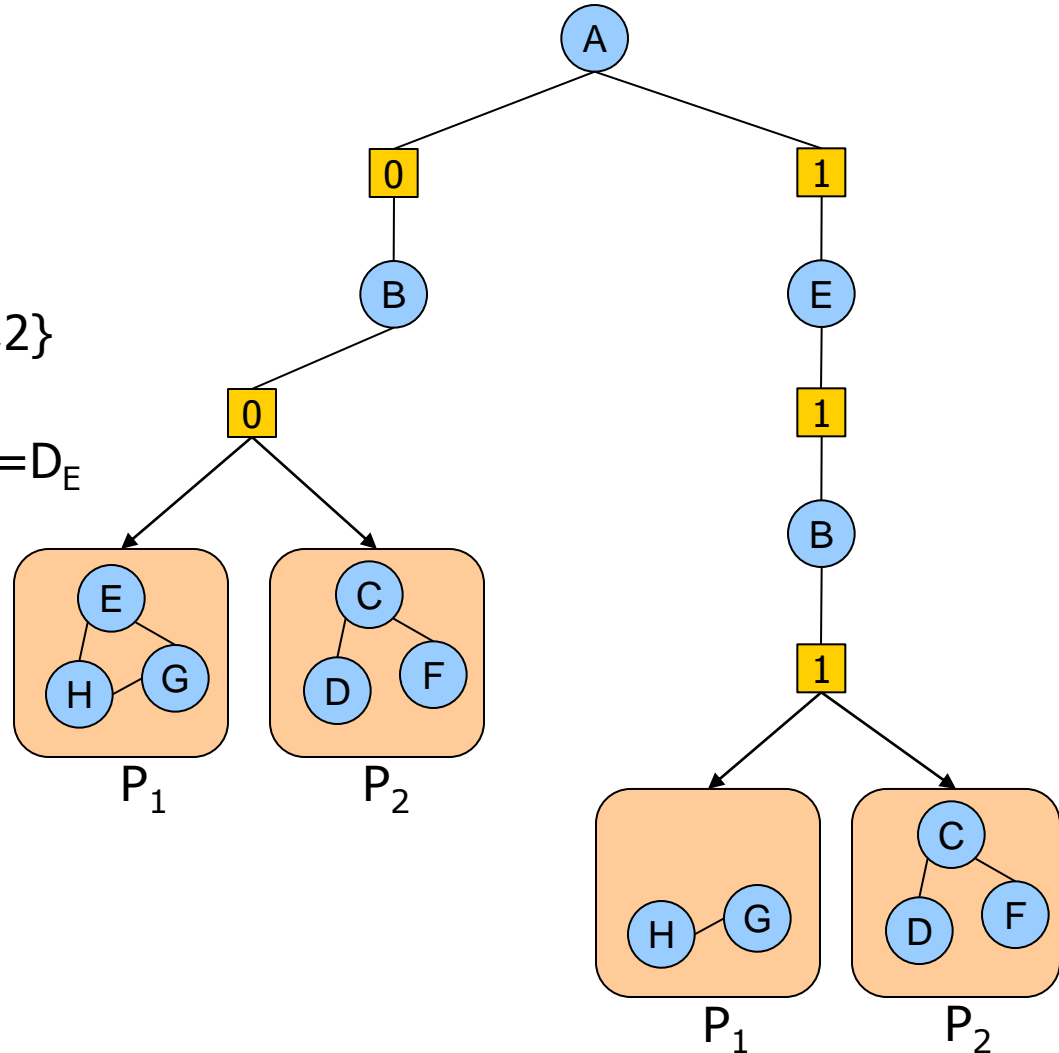
Variables on **chains**
in the pseudo tree
can be instantiated
dynamically, based
on some semantic
ordering heuristic

Full Dynamic Variable Ordering

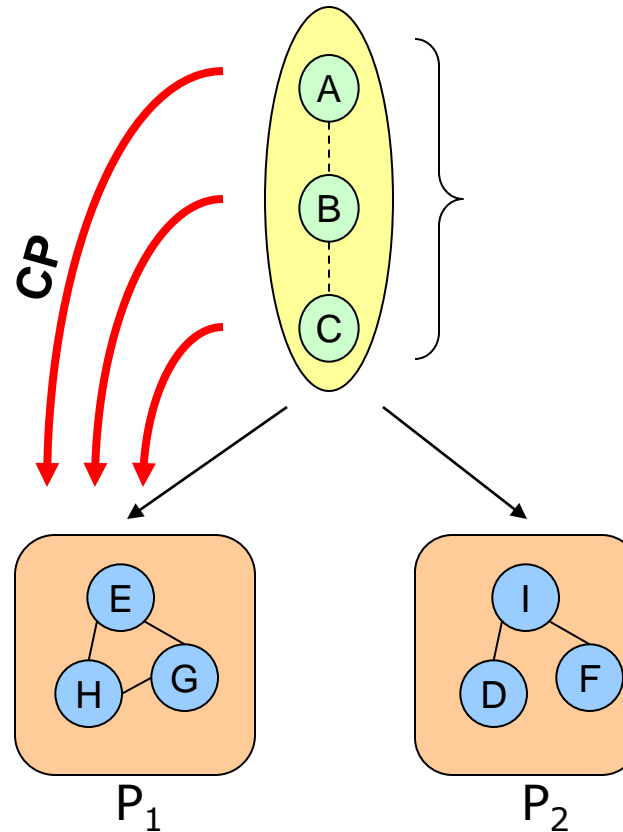
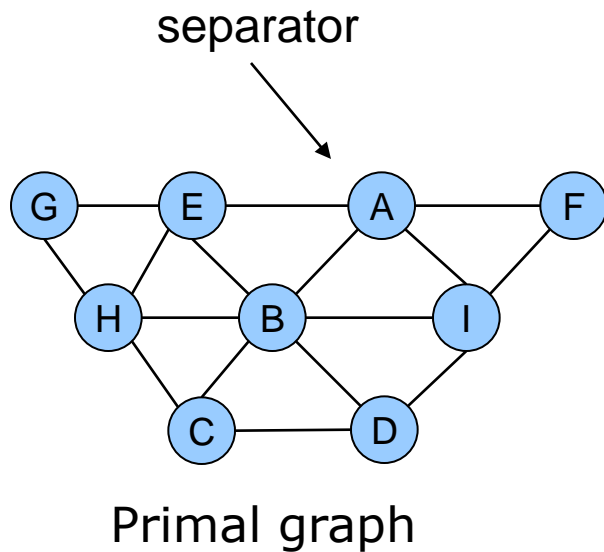


domains $D_A = \{0,1\}$ $D_B = \{0,1,2\}$
 $D_E = \{0,1,2,3\}$
 $D_C = D_D = D_F = D_G = D_H = D_I = \{0,1\}$

A	B	f(AB)	A	E	f(AE)
0	0	3	0	0	0
0	1	∞	0	1	5
0	2	∞	0	2	1
1	0	4	0	3	4
1	1	0	1	0	∞
1	2	6	1	1	∞
			1	2	0
			1	3	5



Dynamic Separator Ordering



Constraint Propagation may create **singleton** variables in **P1** and **P2** (changing the problem's structure), which in turn may yield smaller separators



Experiments

- **Benchmarks**

- Belief Networks (BN)
- Weighted CSPs (WCSP)

- **Algorithms**

- **AOBB**
- Samlam (BN)
- Superlink (Genetic linkage analysis)
- Toolbar (ie, DFBB+EDAC)

- **Heuristics**

- Mini-Bucket heuristics (BN, WCSP)
- EDAC heuristics (WCSP)

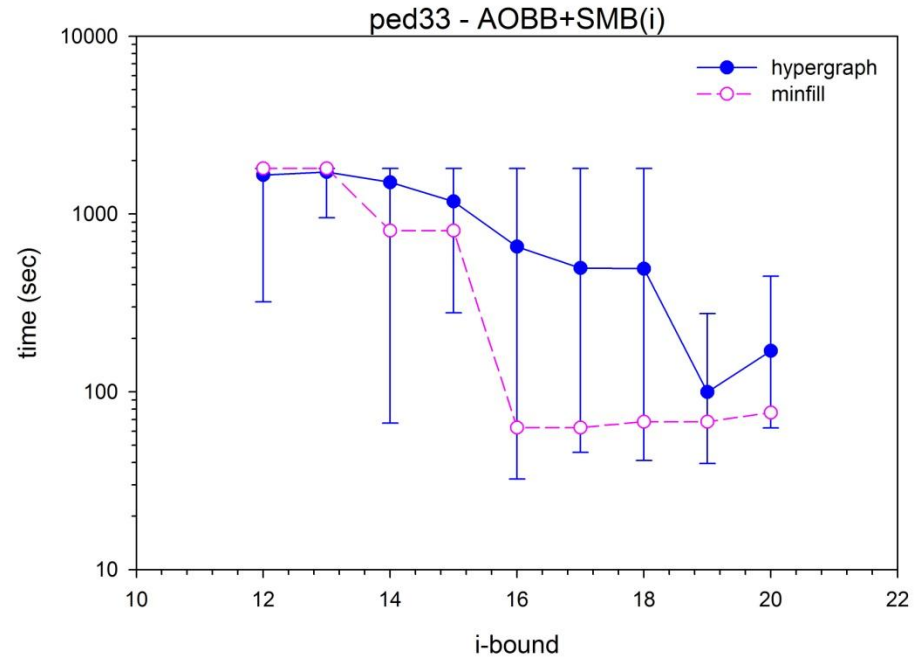
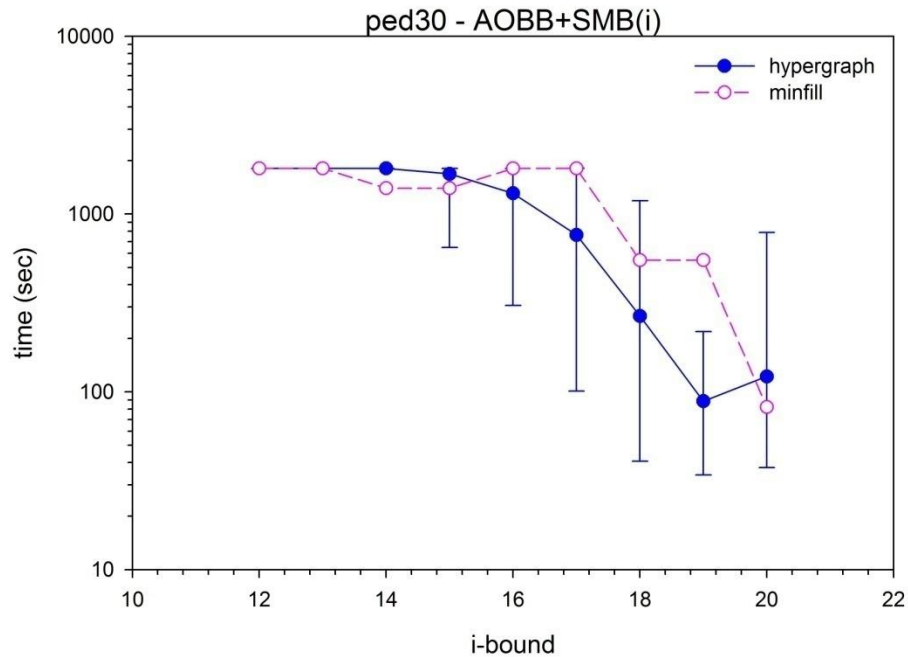
Genetic Linkage Analysis

(Fishelson and Geiger, UAI2002)

pedigree (n, d) (w*, h)	Superlink v. 1.6 time	SamIam v. 2.3.2 time	BB+SMB(i) AOBB+SMB(i) i=12		BB+SMB(i) AOBB+SMB(i) i=16		BB+SMB(i) AOBB+SMB(i) i=20	
			time	nodes	time	nodes	time	nodes
ped18 (1184, 5) (21, 119)	139.06	157.05	-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	270.96	2,555,078	20.27	7,689
ped25 (994, 5) (29, 53)	-	out	-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	1894.17	11,709,153
ped30 (1016, 5) (25, 51)	13095.83	out	-	-	-	-	-	-
			5563.22	63,068,960	1811.34	20,275,620	82.25	588,558
ped33 (581, 5) (26, 48)	-	out	-	-	-	-	-	-
			2335.28	32,444,818	62.91	807,071	76.47	320,279
ped39 (1272, 5) (23, 94)	322.14	out	-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	4041.56	52,804,044	141.23	407,280

Min-fill pseudo tree. Time limit 3 hours.

Impact of the Pseudo Tree



Runtime distribution for hypergraph pseudo trees over 20 independent runs.
ped30 and **ped33** linkage networks.

Dynamic Variable Orderings

(Bensana et al., Constraints 1999)

spot5	n	w*		toolbar	BBEDAC	AOEDAC	AOEDAC+PVO	DVO+AOEDAC	AOEDAC+DSO
	c	h							
29	16	7	time	4.56	109.66	613.79	545.43	0.83	11.36
	57	8	nodes	218,846	710,122	8,997,894	7,837,447	8,698	92,970
42b	14	9	time	-	-	-	-	-	6825.4
	75	9	nodes	-	-	-	-	-	27,698,614
54	14	9	time	0.31	0.97	31.34	9.11	0.06	0.75
	75	9	nodes	21,939	8,270	823,326	90,495	688	6,614
404	16	10	time	151.11	2232.89	255.83	152.81	12.09	1.74
	89	12	nodes	6,215,135	7,598,995	3,260,610	1,984,747	88,079	14,844
408b	18	10	time	-	-	-	-	-	747.71
	106	13	nodes	-	-	-	-	-	2,134,472
503	22	11	time	-	-	-	-	-	53.72
	131	15	nodes	-	-	-	-	-	231,480

SPOT5 benchmark. Time limit 2 hours.



Summary

- New generation of depth-first AND/OR Branch-and-Bound search
- Heuristics based on
 - Mini-Bucket approximation (static, dynamic)
 - Local consistency (FDAC, EDAC, VAC, ...)
- Dynamic variable orderings
- Superior to state-of-the-art solvers traversing the classic OR search space

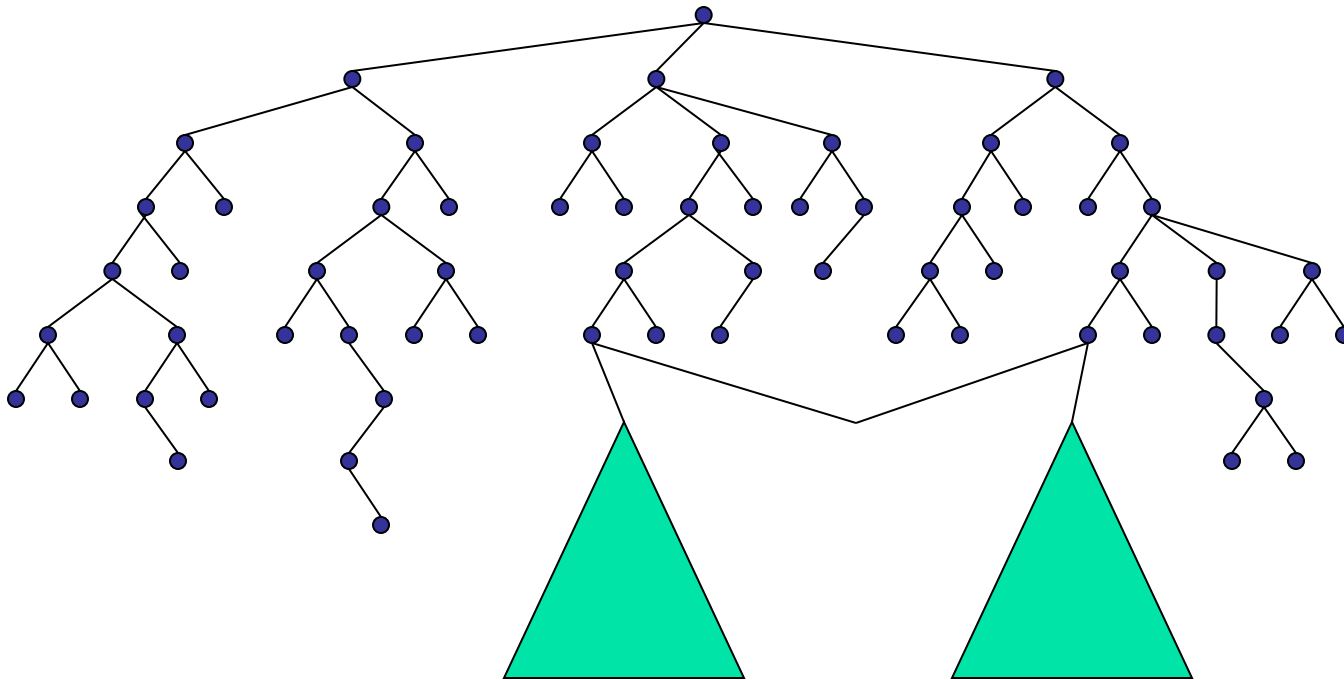


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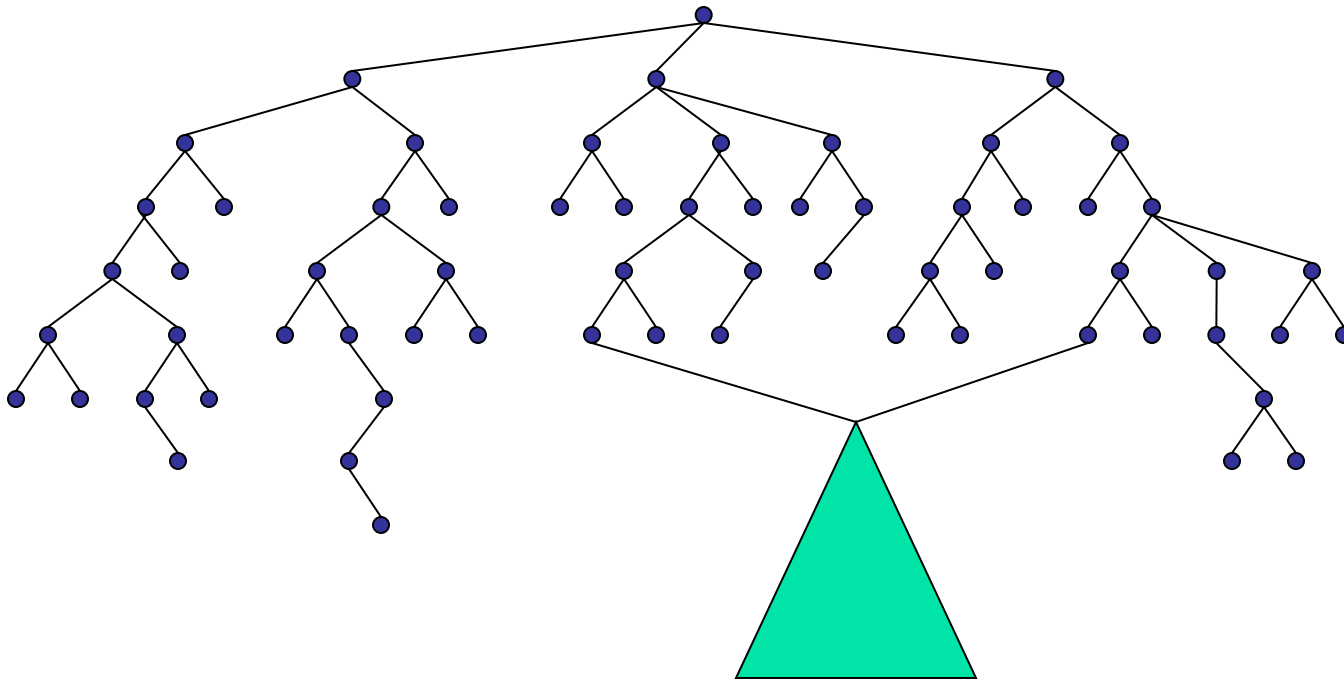
From search trees to search **graphs**

- Any two nodes that root identical subtrees (subgraphs) can be **merged**



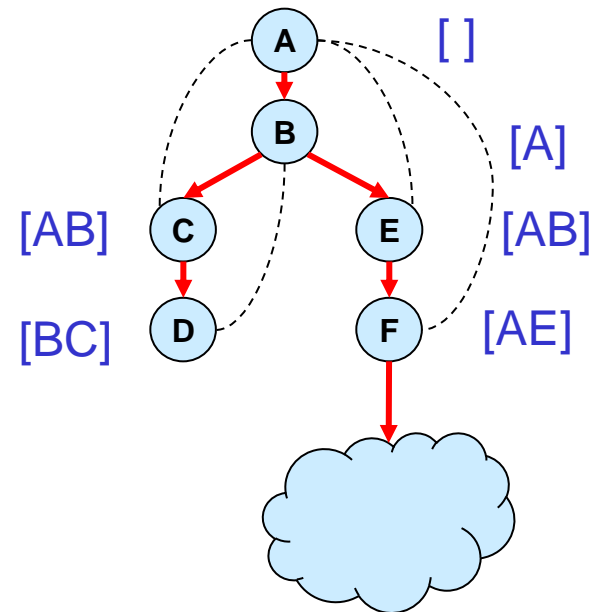
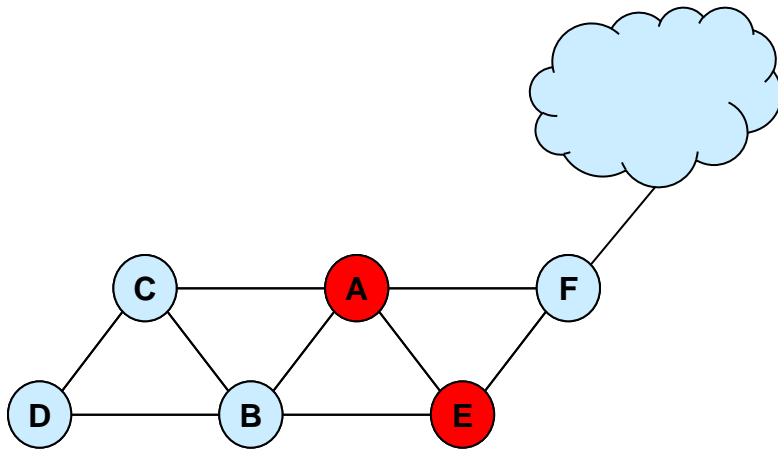
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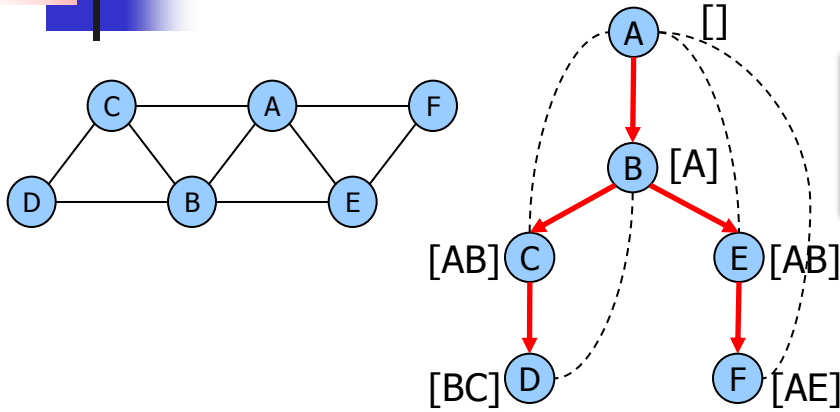


Merging based on context

context (X) = ancestors of X connected to X
descendants of X



AND/OR Search Graph



A	B	f_1	A	C	f_2	A	E	f_3	A	F	f_4	B	C	f_5	B	D	f_6	B	E	f_7	C	D	f_8	E	F	f_9
0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	4	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	4	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	2

$$f(\mathbf{X}) = \min_x \sum_{i=1}^9 f_i(\mathbf{X})$$

OR

AND

OR

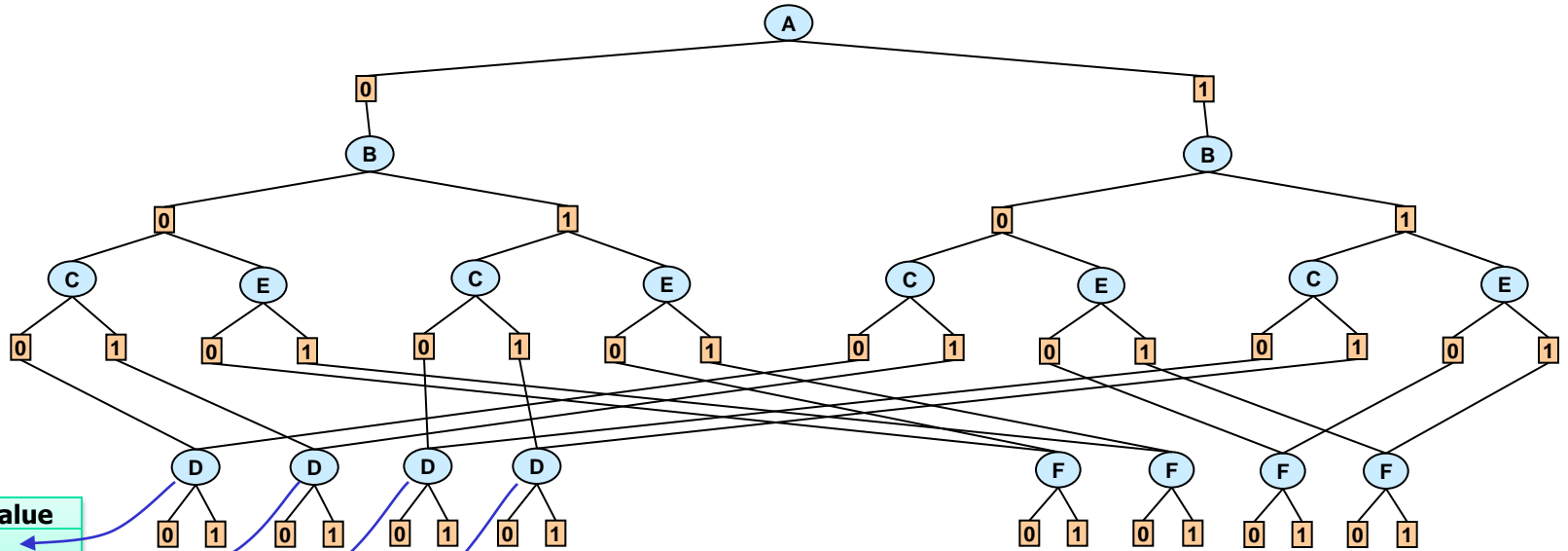
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B	C	Value
0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	

context minimal graph

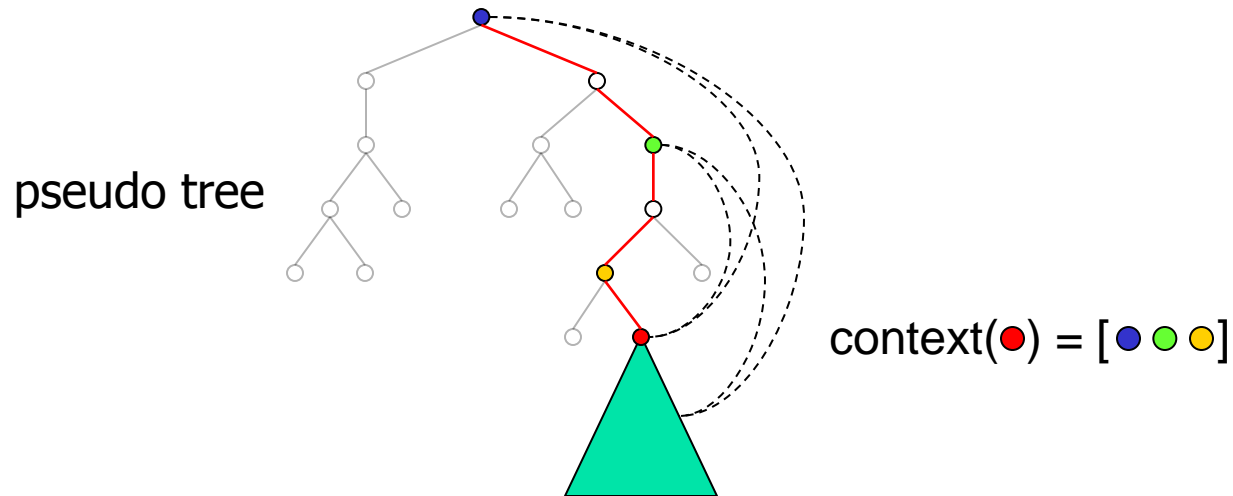
Cache table for D

How big is the context?

context (X) = ancestors of X in pseudo tree that are connected to X, or to descendants of X

context (X) = parents in the induced graph

max |context| = induced width = treewidth



Complexity of AND/OR Graph Search

	AND/OR graph	OR graph
Space	$O(n d^{w^*})$	$O(n d^{pw^*})$
Time	$O(n d^{w^*})$	$O(n d^{pw^*})$

d = domain size

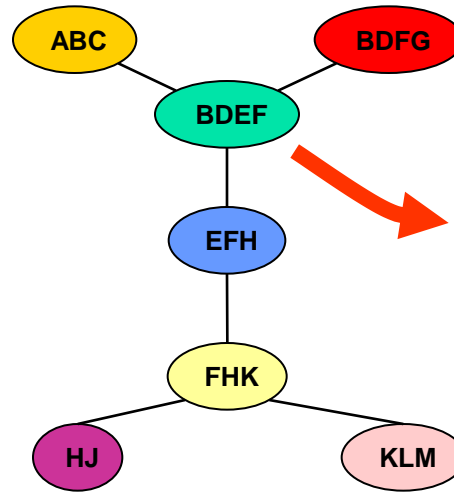
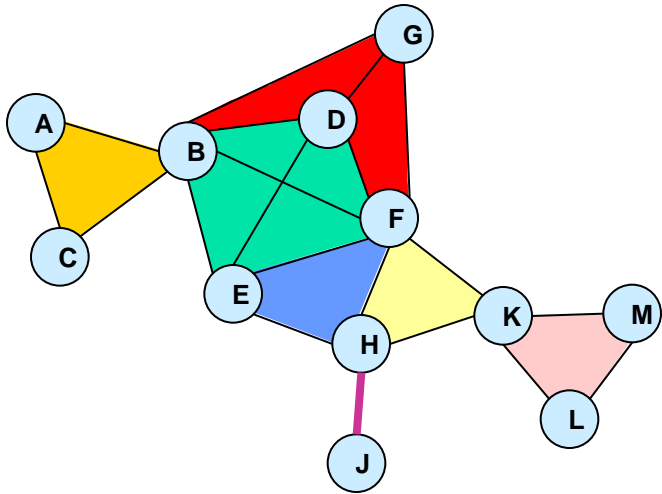
n = number of variables

w^* = treewidth

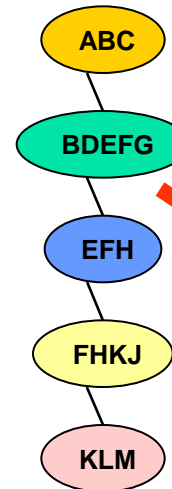
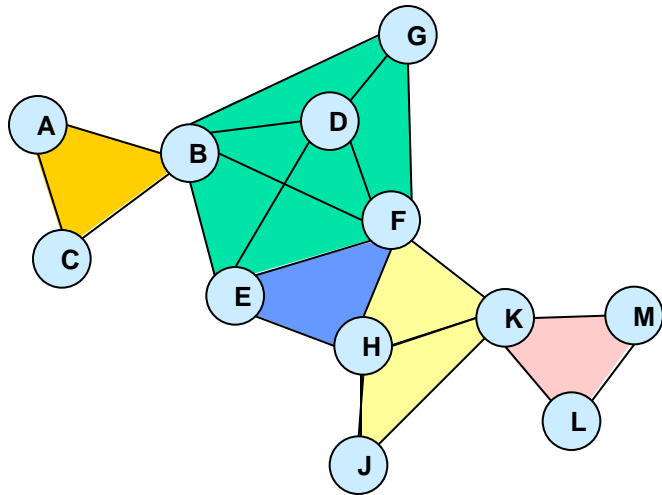
pw^* = pathwidth

$$w^* \leq pw^* \leq w^* \log n$$

Treewidth vs. pathwidth

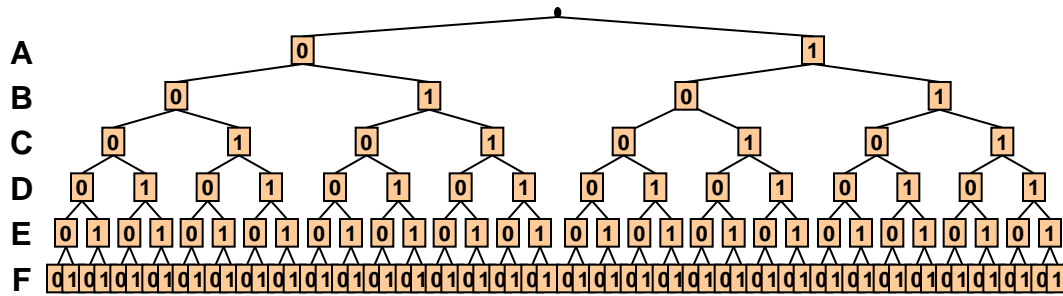


treewidth = 3
= (max cluster size) - 1



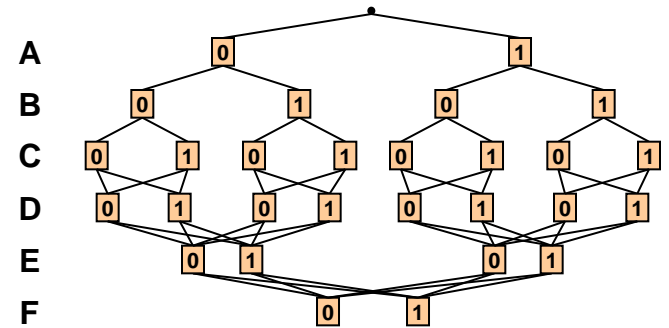
pathwidth = 4
= (max cluster size) - 1

All Four Search Spaces



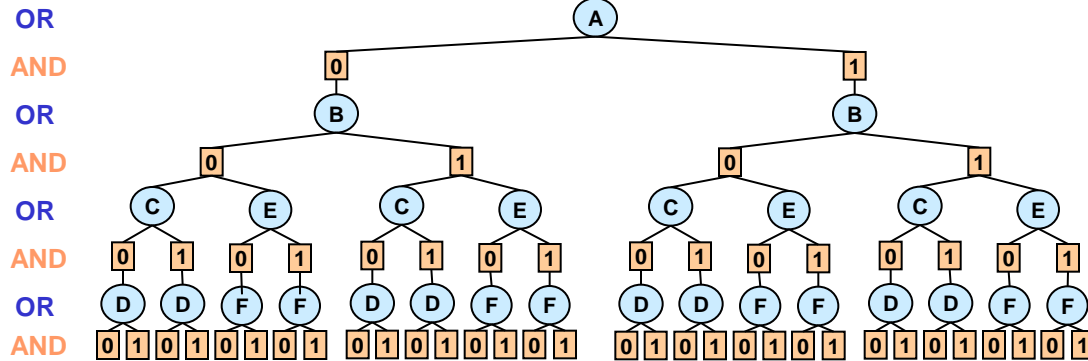
Full OR search tree

126 nodes



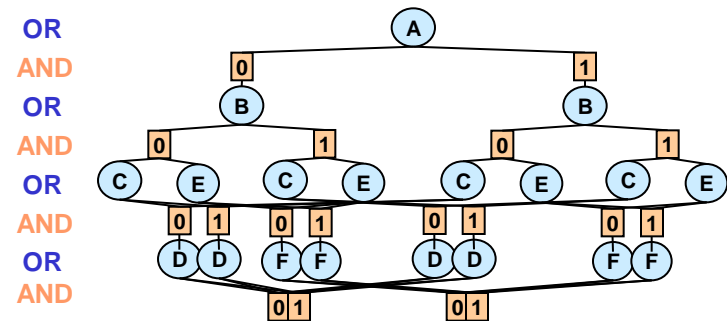
Context minimal OR search graph

28 nodes



Full AND/OR search tree

54 AND nodes



Context minimal AND/OR search graph

18 AND nodes

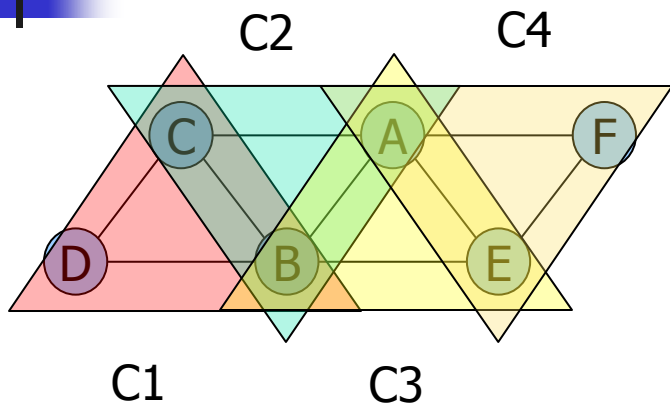


AND/OR Branch-and-Bound with Caching

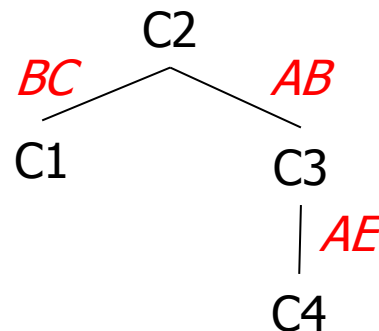
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Backtrack with Tree Decomposition



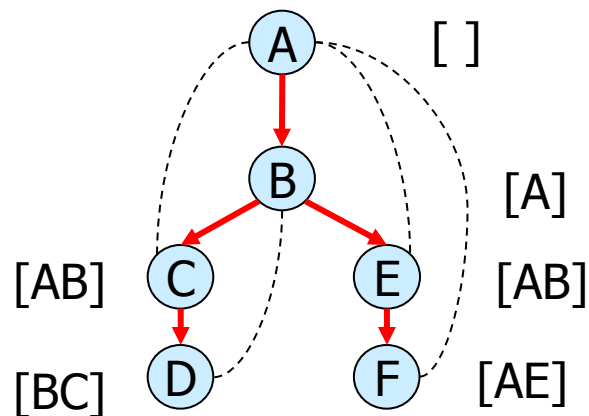
(Jegou and Terrioux, ECAI2004)



tree decomposition ($w=2$)

BTD:

- AND/OR graph search (caching on separators)
- Partial variable ordering (dynamic inside clusters)
- Maintaining local consistency



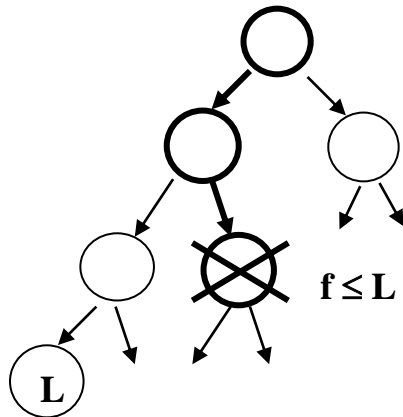
pseudo tree ($w=2$)

Basic Heuristic Search Schemes

Heuristic function $f(x^p)$ computes a lower bound on the best extension of x^p and can be used to guide a heuristic search algorithm. We focus on:

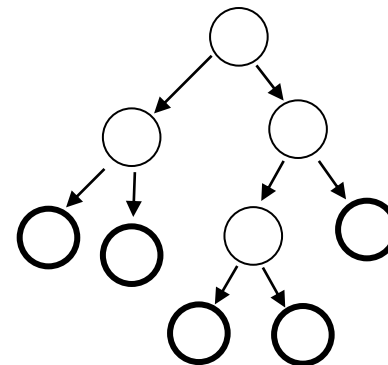
1. DF Branch-and-Bound

Use heuristic function $f(x^p)$ to prune the depth-first search tree
Linear space



2. Best-First Search

Always expand the node with the highest heuristic value $f(x^p)$
Needs lots of memory





Experiments

- **Benchmarks**

- Belief Networks (BN)
- Weighted CSPs (WCSP)

- **Algorithms**

- **AOBB-C** – AND/OR Branch-and-Bound w/ caching
- **AOBF-C** – Best-first AND/OR Search
- Samlam
- Superlink
- Toolbar (DFBB+EDAC), Toolbar-BTD (BTD+EDAC)

- **Heuristics**

- Mini-Bucket heuristics

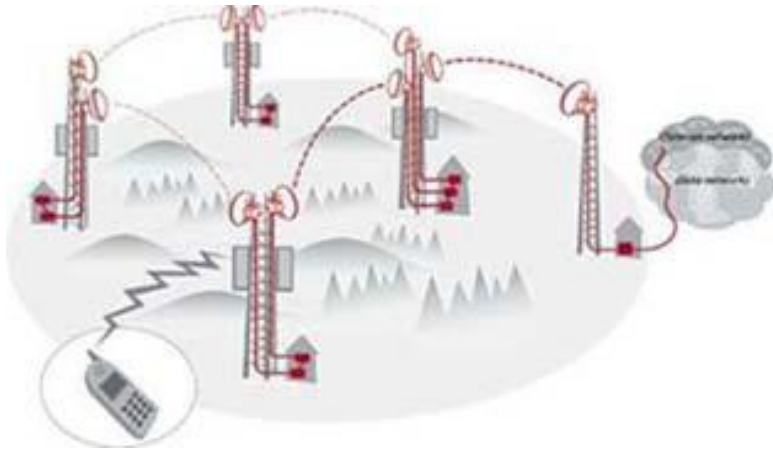
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		time	nodes	time	nodes	time	nodes	time	nodes
		ped30 (23, 118) (1016, 5)	out 13095.83	- 10212.70 out	- 93,233,570	- 8858.22 out	- 82,552,957	- -	- -
ped33 (37, 165) (581, 5)	out -	2804.61 1426.99 out	34,229,495 11,349,475	737.96 307.39 140.61	9,114,411 2,504,020 407,387	3896.98 1823.43 out	50,072,988 14,925,943	159.50 86.17 74.86	1,647,488 453,987 134,068
ped42 (25, 76) (448, 5)	out 561.31	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	out -	- -
		out	-	out	-	2364.67 133.19	22,595,247 93,831		

Min-fill pseudo tree. Time limit 3 hours.

Radio Link Frequency Assignment Problem

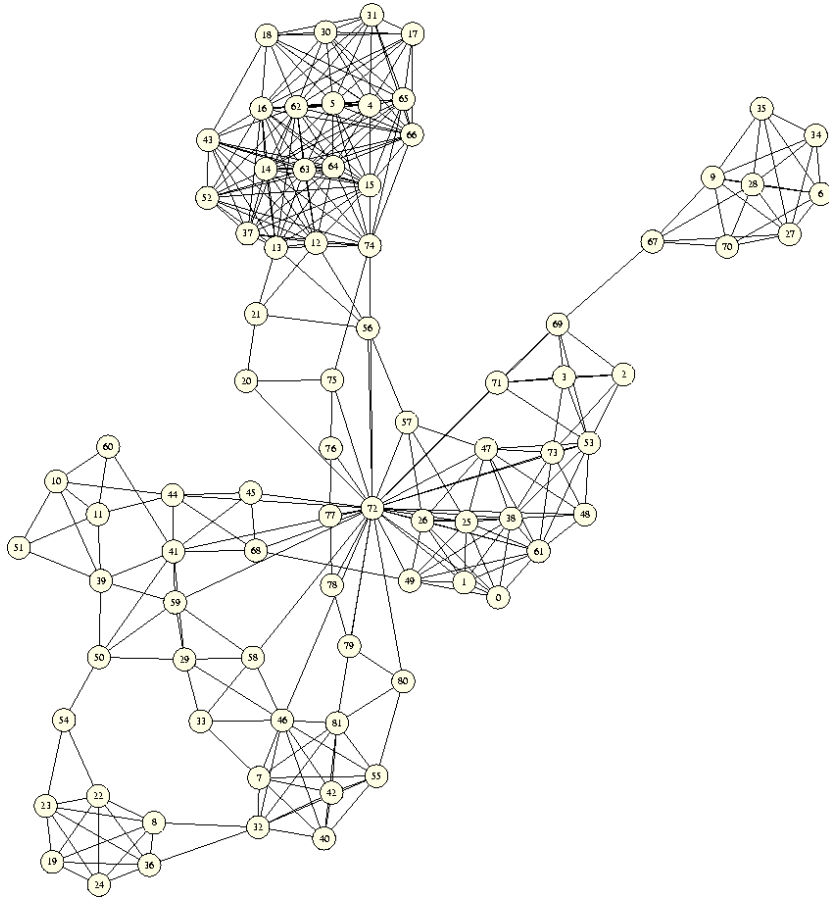
(Cabon et al., *Constraints* 1999), (Koster et al., *4OR* 2003)



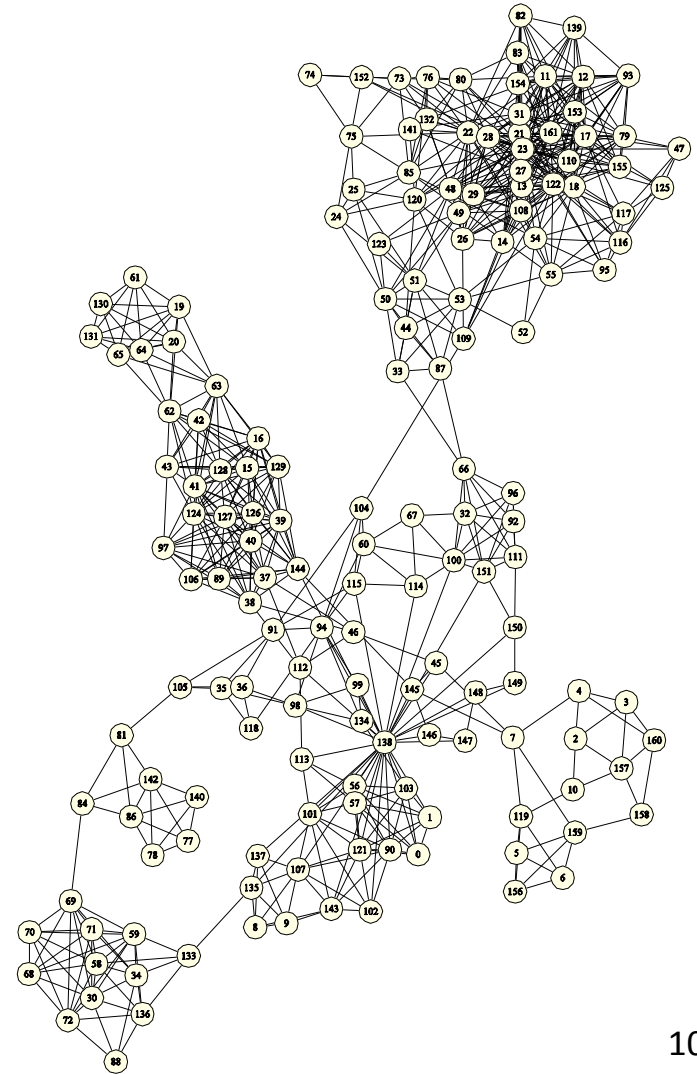
- Given a telecommunication network
 - ...find the **best** frequency for each communication link, avoiding interferences
-
- **Best** can be:
 - Minimize the maximum frequency, no interference (max)
 - **Minimize the global interference (sum)**
 - Generalizes graph coloring problems: $|f_1 - f_2| \geq a$

CELAR problem size: $n=100-458$; $d=44$; $m=1,000-5,000$

- CELAR SCEN-06
n=100, d=44,
m=350, optimum=3389



- CELAR SCEN-07r (**OPEN**)
n=162, d=44,
m=764, optimum=343592



CELAR

toulbar2 v0.8 running on a 2.6 GHz computer with 32 GB

(Sanchez et al., IJCAI2009)

- Maximum Cardinality Search tree decomposition heuristic
- Root selection: largest (SCEN-06) / most costly (SCEN-07) cluster
- Last-conflict variable ordering and dichotomic branching
- Closed 1 open problem by exploiting tree decomposition and EDAC

CELAR	n	d	m	k	p	w	DFBB	BTD	RDS-BTD
SCEN-06	100	44	350	∞	∞	11	2588 sec.	221 sec.	316 sec.
SCEN-07r	162	44	764	354008	3	53	- > 50days	6 days	4.5 days



Summary

- New memory intensive AND/OR search algorithms for optimization in graphical models
- Depth-first and best-first control strategies
- Superior to state-of-the-art OR and AND/OR Branch-and-Bound tree search algorithms



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0-1 Integer Linear Programming

minimize: $z = c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + \dots + c_nx_n$

subject to:

$$a_1^1x_1 + a_2^1x_2 + \dots + a_n^1x_n \leq b^1$$

$$a_1^2x_1 + a_2^2x_2 + \dots + a_n^2x_n \leq b^2$$

...

$$a_1^mx_1 + a_2^mx_2 + \dots + a_n^mx_n \leq b^m$$

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \{0,1\}$$

:

- VLSI circuit design
- Scheduling
- Routing
- Combinatorial auctions
- Facility location
- ...

minimize : $z = 7A + 3B - 2C + 5D - 6E + 8F$

subject to:

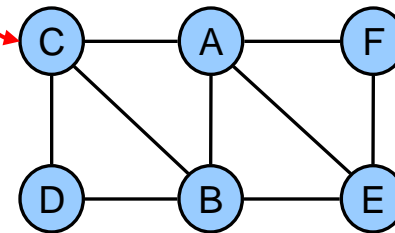
$$3A - 12B + C \leq 3$$

$$-2B + 5C - 3D \leq -2$$

$$2A + B - 4E \leq 2$$

$$A - 3E + F \leq 1$$

$$A, B, C, D, E, F \in \{0,1\}$$



primal graph

AND/OR Search Tree

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subject to:

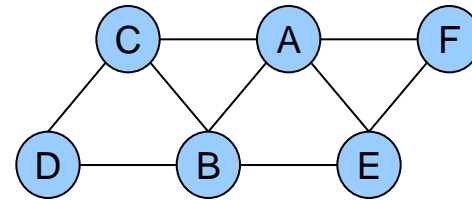
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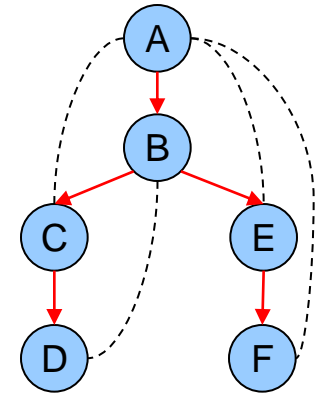
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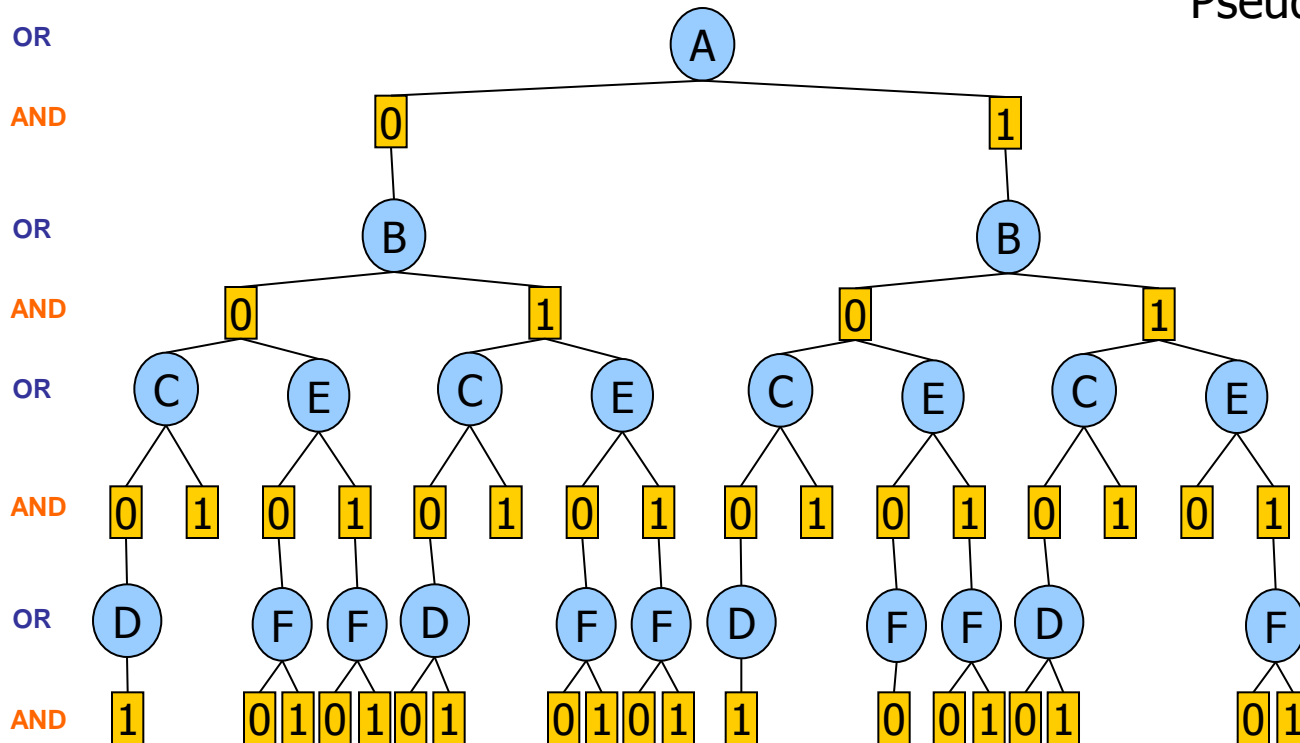
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Primal graph



Pseudo tree



Weighted AND/OR Search Tree

minimize : $z = 7A + 3B - 2C + 5D - 6E + 8F$

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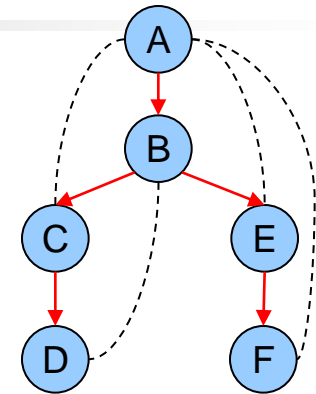
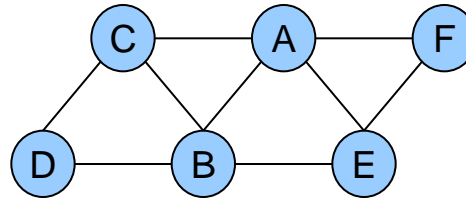
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$$z_A = 7A + 3B - 2C + 5D - 6E + 8F$$

OR

AND

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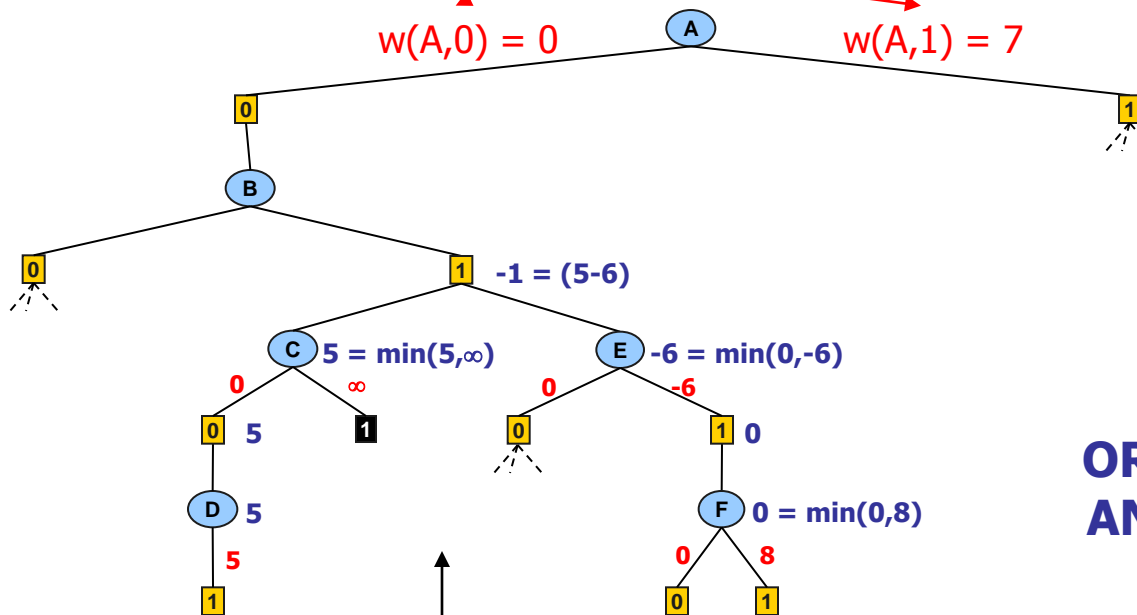
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**Node Value
(bottom up)**

**OR – minimization
AND – summation**

AND/OR Search Graph

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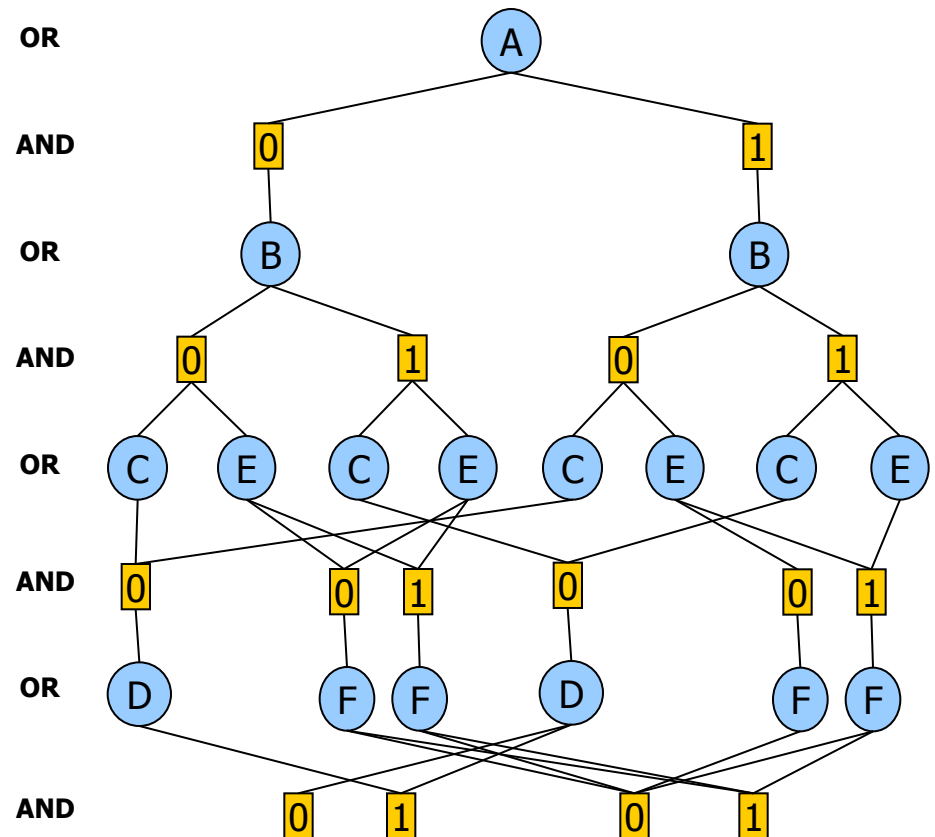
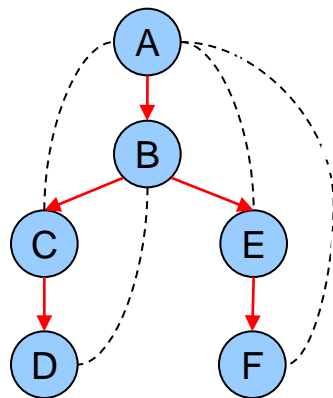
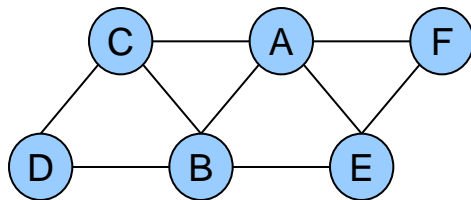
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16 nodes (graph) vs. 54 nodes (tree)



Experiments

■ Algorithms

- **AOBB, AOBf** – tree search
- **AOBB+PVO, AOBf+PVO** – tree search
- **AOBB-C, AOBf-C** – graph search
- Ip_solve 5.5, CPLEX 11.0, toolbar (DFBB+EDAC)

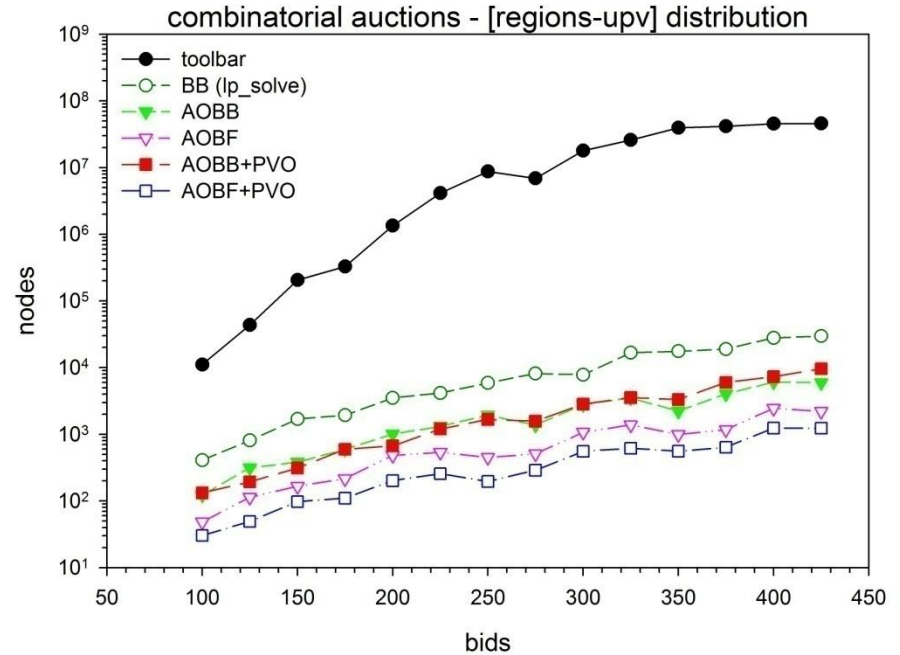
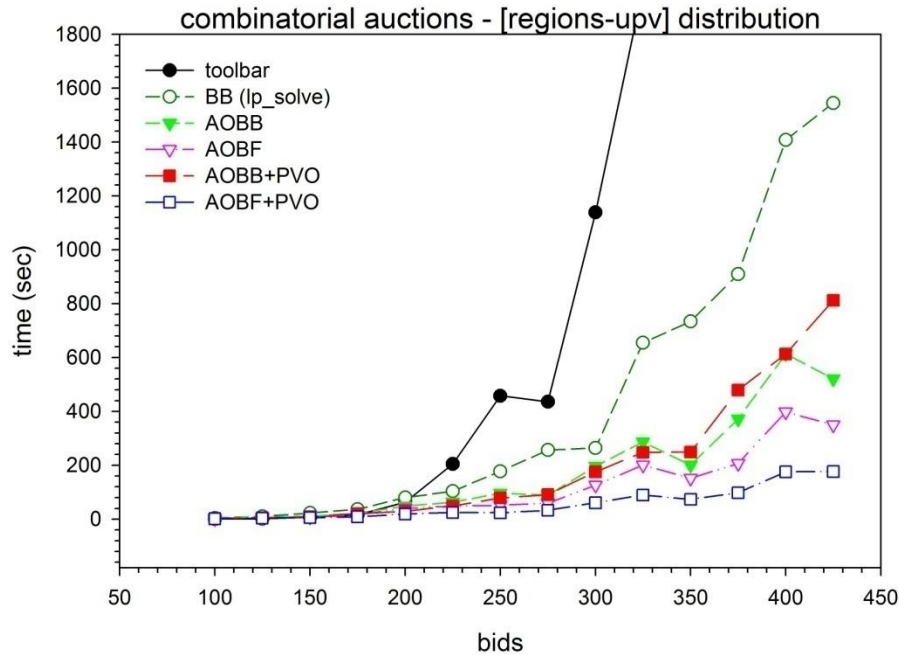
■ Benchmarks

- Combinatorial auctions
- MAX-SAT instances

■ Implementation

- LP relaxation solved by Ip_solve 5.5 library
- BB (Ip_solve) baseline solver

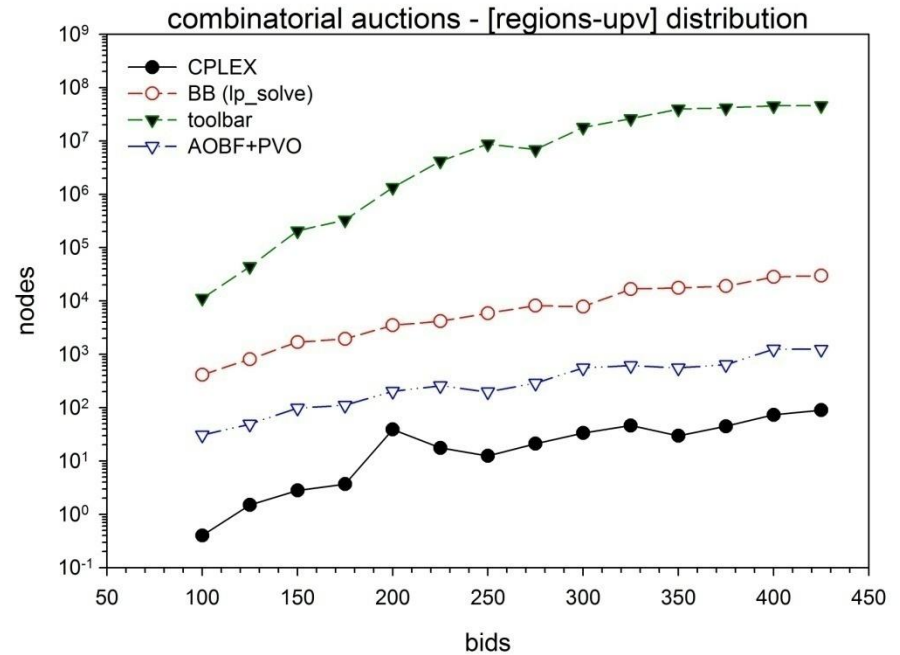
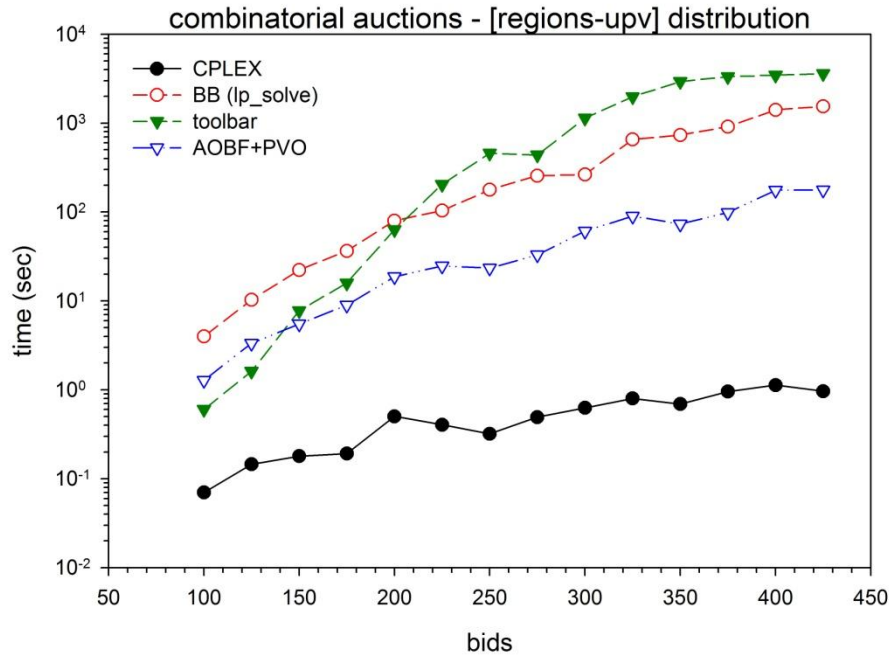
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MAX-SAT Instances (pret)

Tree search Tree search Graph search

pret (w*, h)	BB CPLEX		AOBB AOBF		AOBB+PVO AOBF+PVO		AOBB-C AOBF-C	
	time	nodes	time	nodes	time	nodes	time	nodes
pret60-40 (6, 13)	- 676.94	- 3,926,422	7.88 7.56	1,255 1,202	8.41 8.70	1,216 1,326	7.38 3.58	1,216 568
pret60-60 (6, 13)	- 535.05	- 2,963,435	8.56 8.08	1,259 1,184	8.70 8.31	1,247 1,206	7.30 3.56	1,140 538
pret60-75 (6, 13)	- 402.53	- 2,005,738	6.97 7.38	1,124 1,145	6.80 8.42	1,089 1,149	6.34 3.08	1,067 506
pret150-40 (6, 15)	- out	-	95.11 101.78	6,625 6,535	108.84 101.97	7,152 6,246	75.19 19.70	5,625 1,379
pret150-60 (6, 15)	- out	-	98.88 106.36	6,851 6,723	112.64 102.28	7,347 6,375	78.25 19.75	5,813 1,393
pret150-75 (6, 15)	- out	-	108.14 98.95	7,311 6,282	115.16 103.03	7,452 6,394	84.97 20.95	6,114 1,430

pret MAX-SAT instances. Time limit 10 hours.

BB solver could not solve any instance.



Summary

- New AND/OR search algorithms for 0-1 Integer Programming
- Dynamic variable orderings
- Superior to baseline OR Branch-and-Bound from the lp_solve library
- Outperform CPLEX on selected MAX-SAT instances



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 - AND/OR search trees
 - AND/OR Branch-and-Bound search
 - AND/OR search graphs (caching)
 - AND/OR search for 0-1 integer programming
 - **AND/OR search for multi-objective optimization**
 - Approximate: Sampling etc.
- Compilation: AND/OR Decision Diagrams
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Algorithms for AND/OR Space

- **Back-jumping** for CSPs
(Gaschnig 1977), (Dechter 1990), (Prosser, Bayardo and Mirankar, 1995)
- **Pseudo-search re-arrangement**, for any CSP task
(Freuder and Quinn 1985)
- **Pseudo-tree search for soft constraints**
(Larrosa, Meseguer and Sanchez, 2002)
- **Recursive Conditioning**
(Darwiche, 2001), explores the AND/OR tree or graph for any query
- **BTD: Searching tree-decompositions** for optimization
(Jeagou and Terrioux, 2004)
- **Value Elimination**
(Bacchus, Dalmao and Pittasi, 2003)



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Sampling: Approximation of Search

1. Importance Sampling
2. Markov Chain Monte Carlo: Gibbs Sampling
3. Sampling in presence of Determinism
4. Rao-Blackwellisation
5. AND/OR importance sampling

See :Sampling Techniques for Probabilistic and Deterministic Graphical models [PDF](#)
Tutorial, AAAI 2010, Atlanta, GA, July 12, 2010:
<http://www.ics.uci.edu/~dechter/talks.html>



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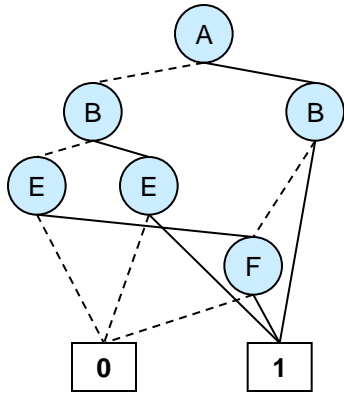


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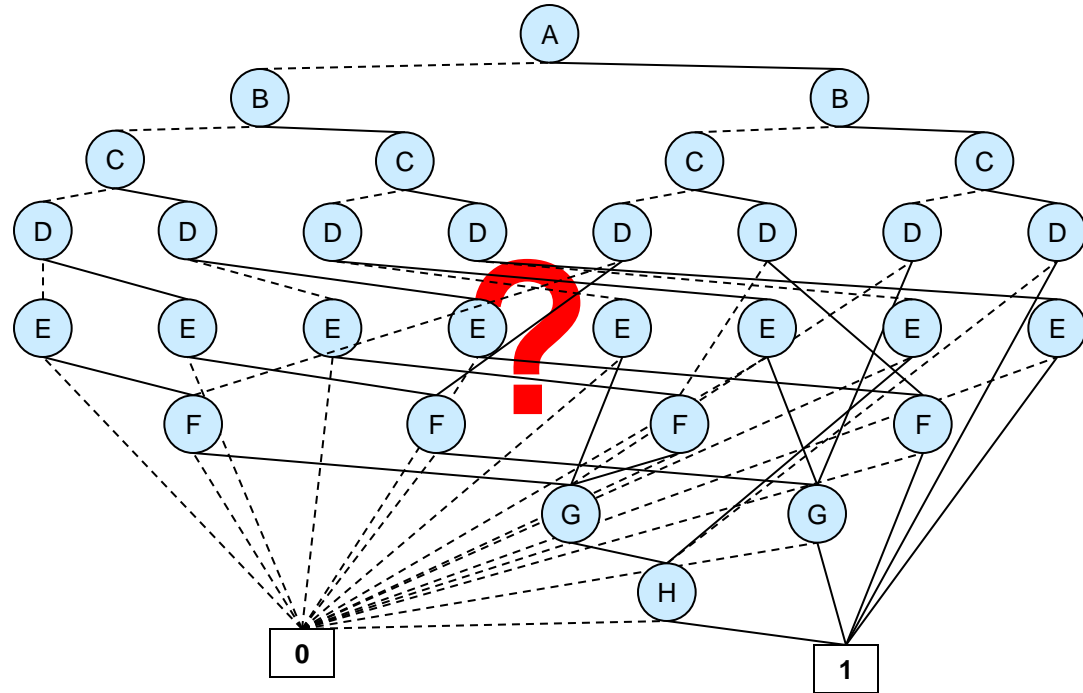
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Exploiting Structure

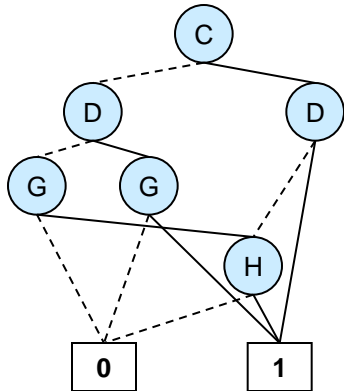
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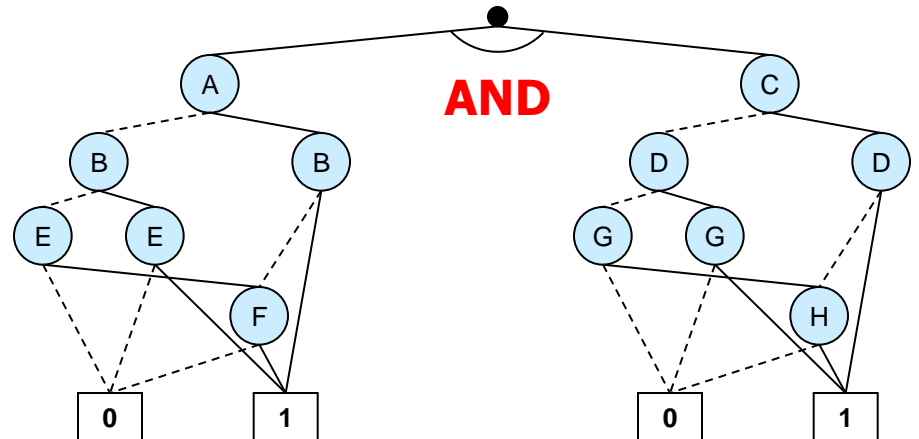
$$f \wedge g =$$



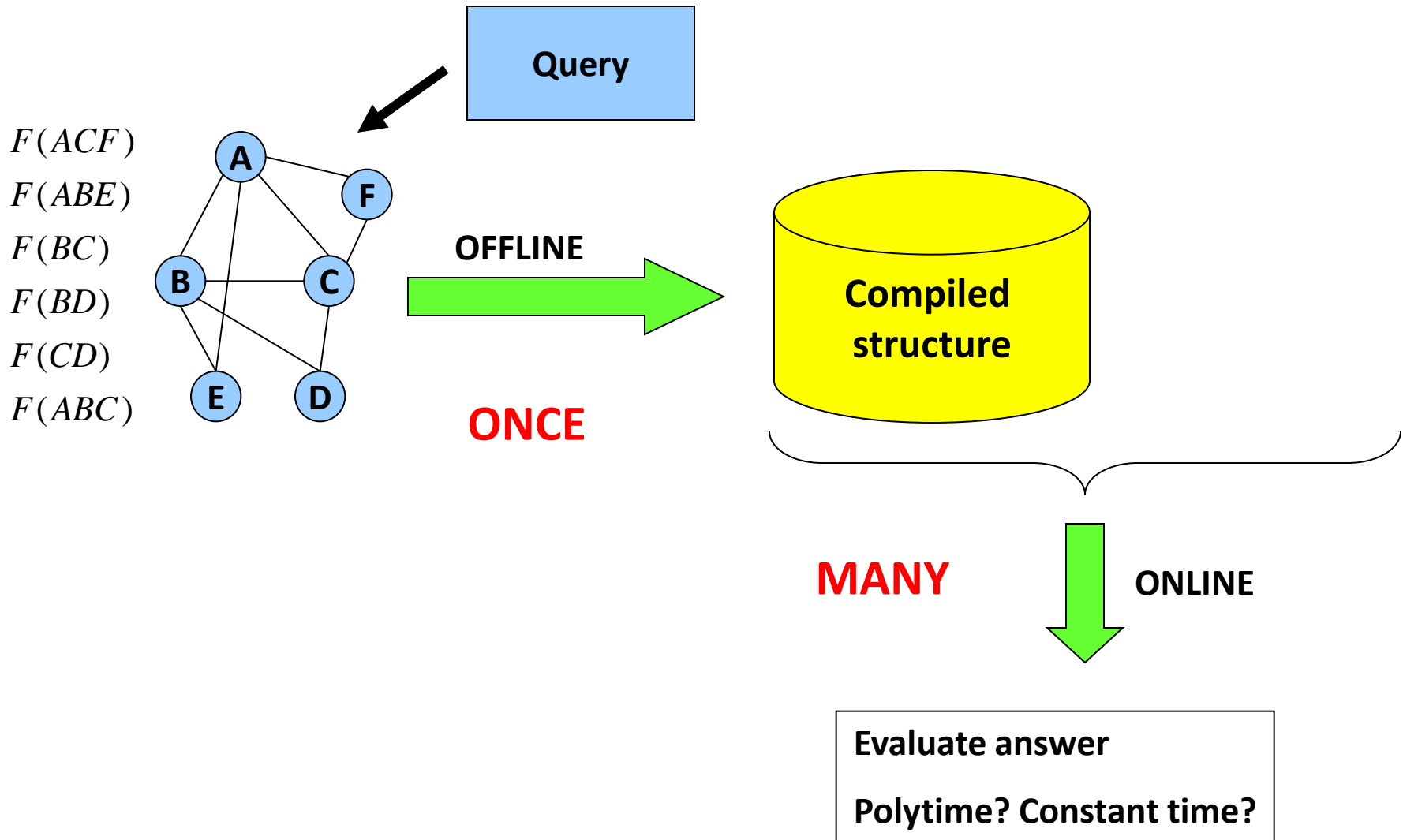
$$g = (C \vee G) \wedge (D \vee H)$$



$$f \wedge g =$$



Compilation of Graphical Models

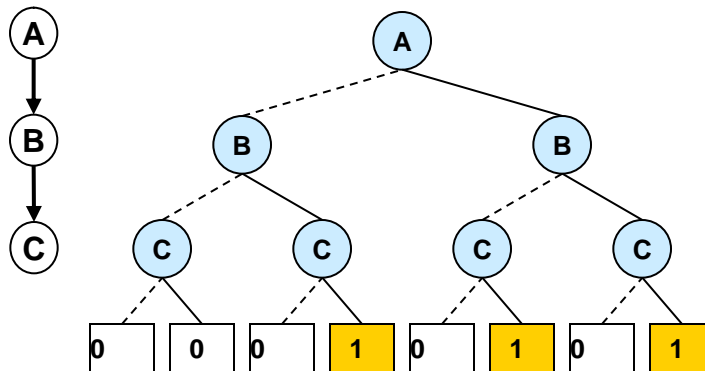


Ordered Binary Decision Diagram

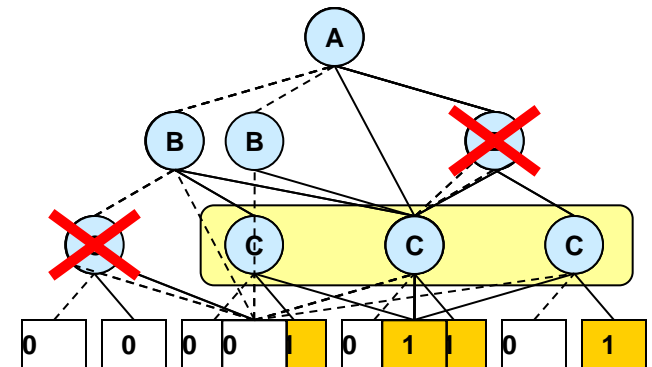
$$B = \{0,1\} \quad f : B^3 \rightarrow B$$

A	B	C	f(ABC)
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
1	1	1	1

Table



Decision tree

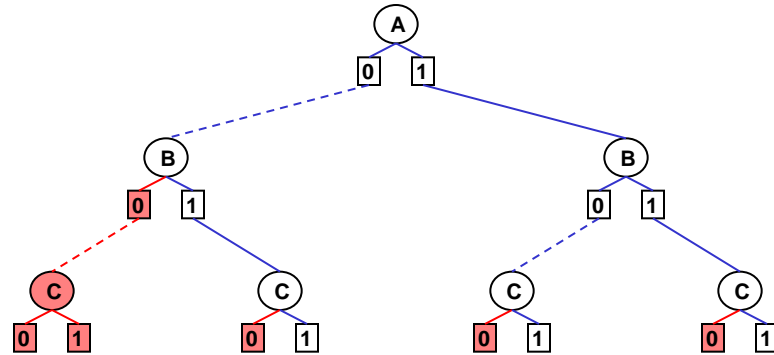


- 1) Merge identical children
[Bryant86]
- 2) Remove redundant nodes

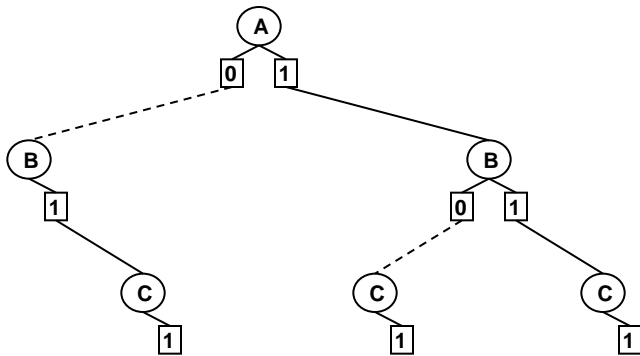
Ordering enables efficient operations

Minimal AND/OR Graphs (MAO)

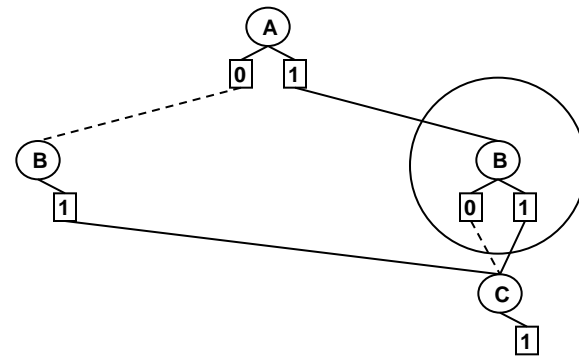
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Full AND/OR search tree



Backtrack free AND/OR search tree



redundant

Minimal AND/OR search graph

Minimal AND/OR graph = closure under "merge"
 = unique fix point of "merge"

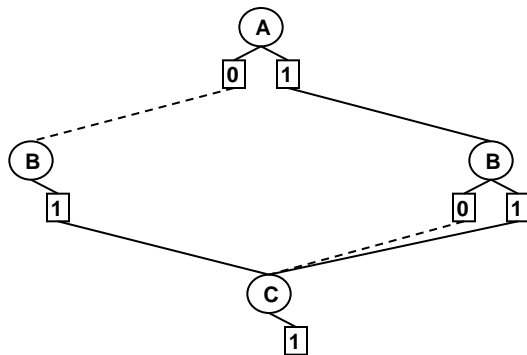
From MAO to Decision Diagram

A	B	C	f(ABC)
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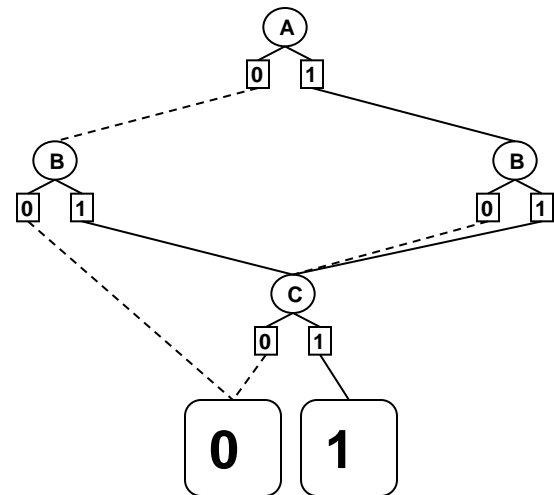
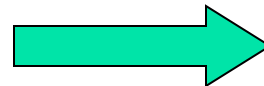


Point dead-ends to terminal node "0"

Point goods to terminal node "1"



Minimal AND/OR graph



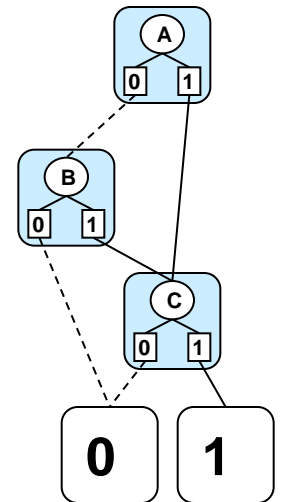
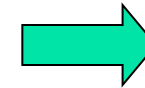
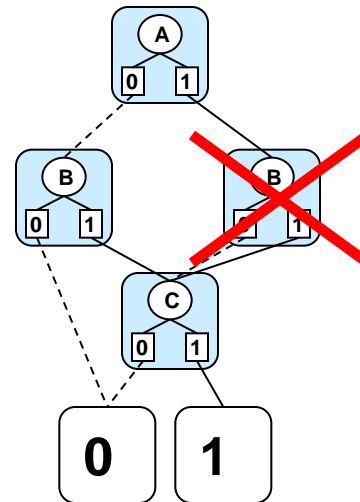
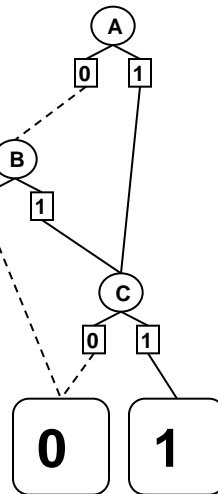
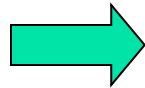
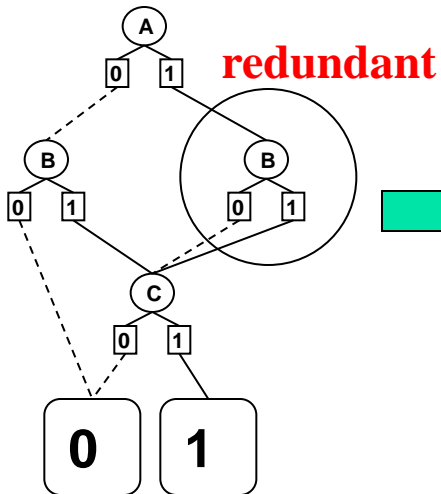
Decision Diagram

Removing Redundancy

A	B	C	f(ABC)
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0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
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Group OR node together with its AND children into a meta-node



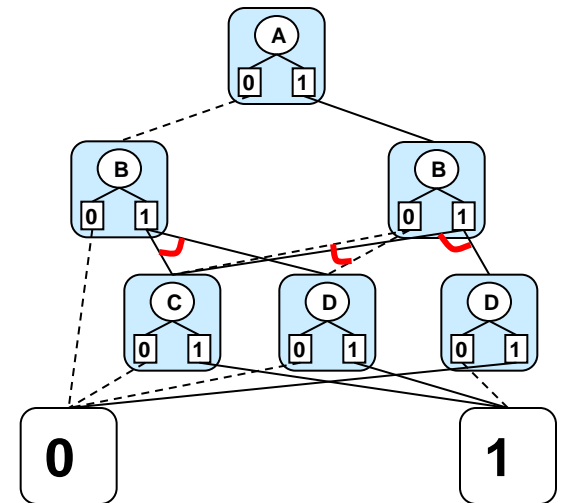
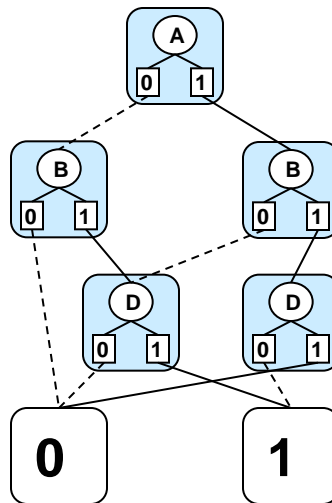
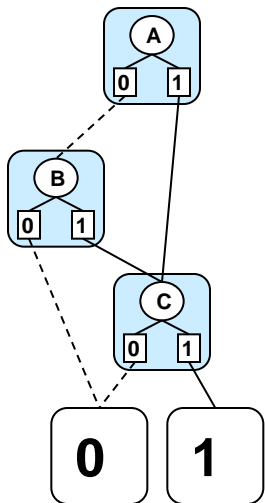
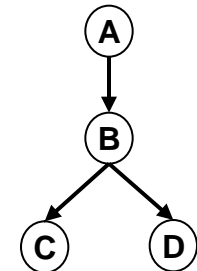
OBDD
(pseudo tree is a **chain**)

AOBDD

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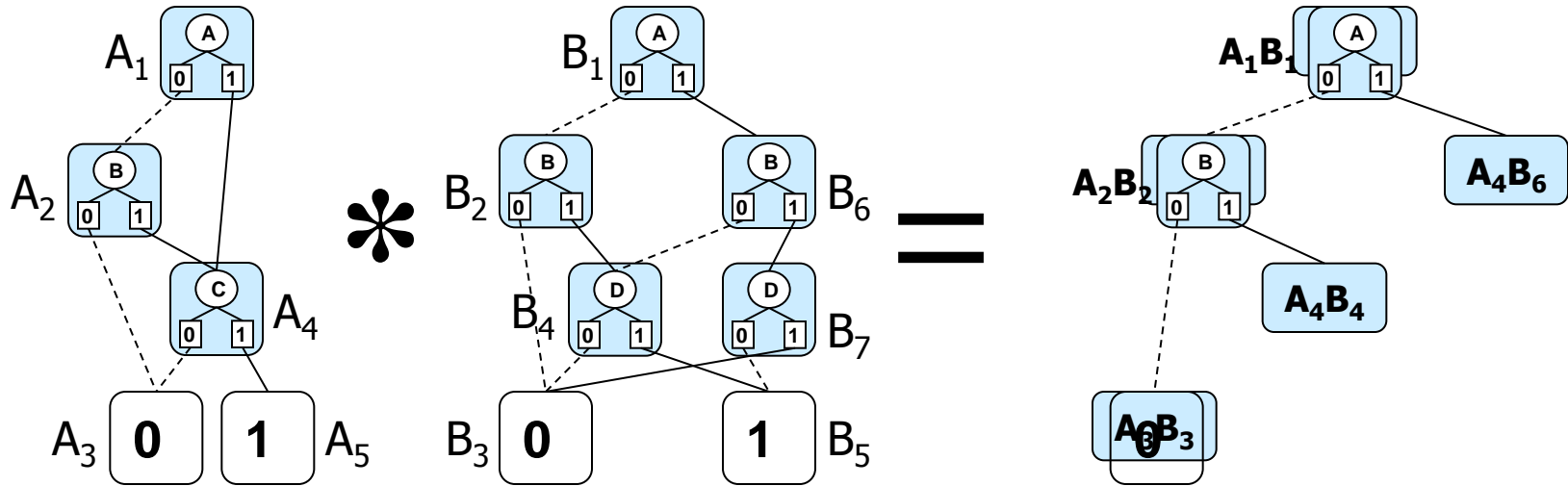
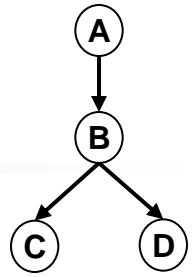




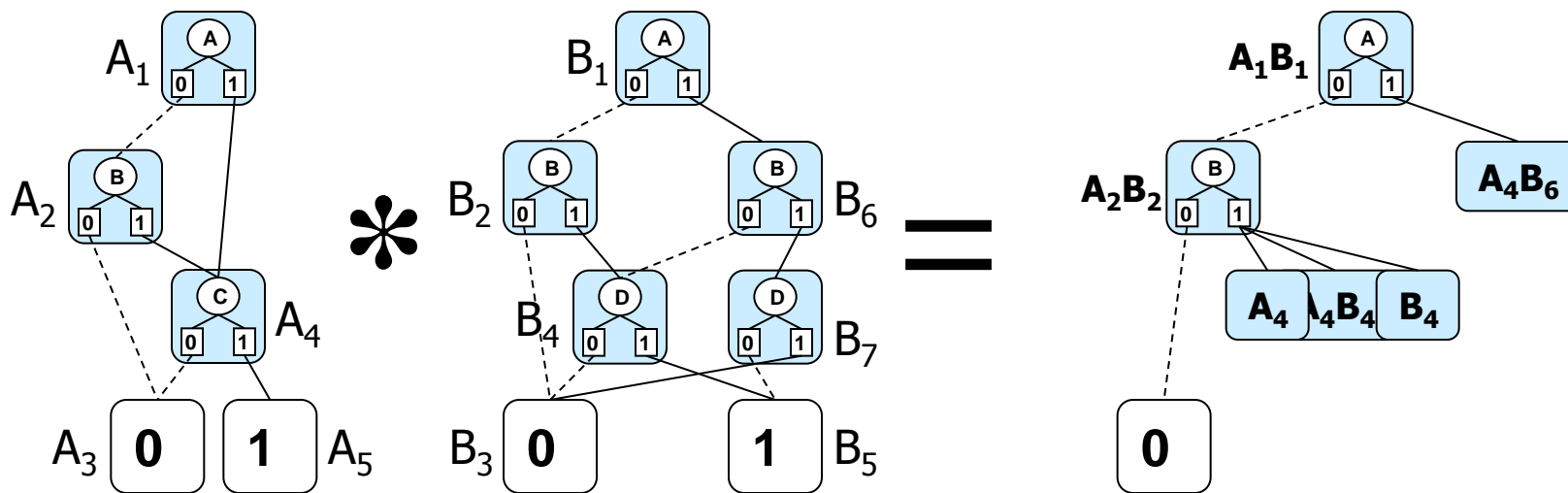
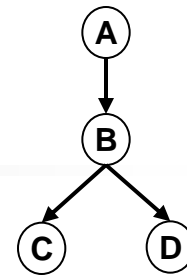
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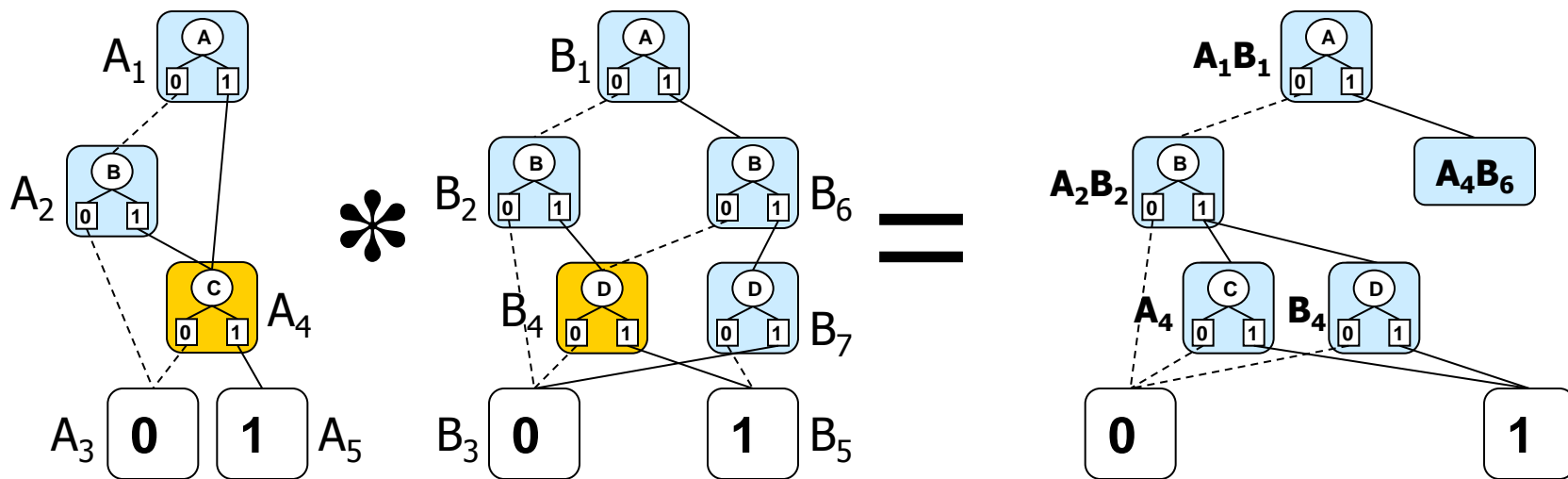
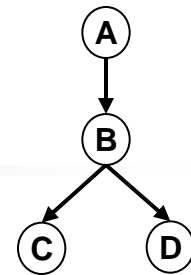
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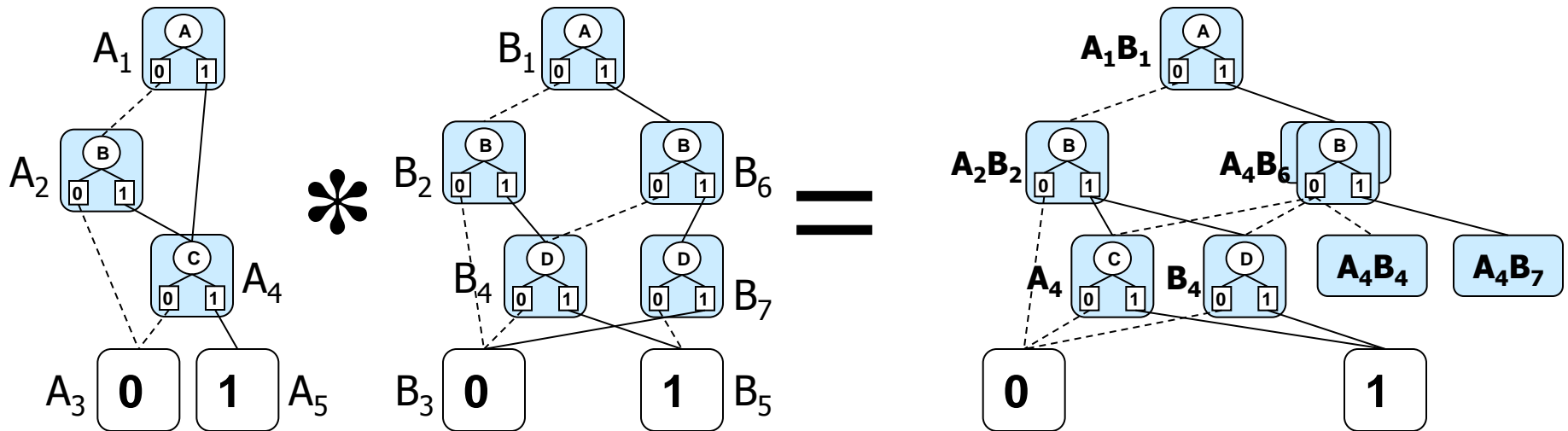
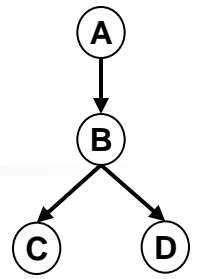
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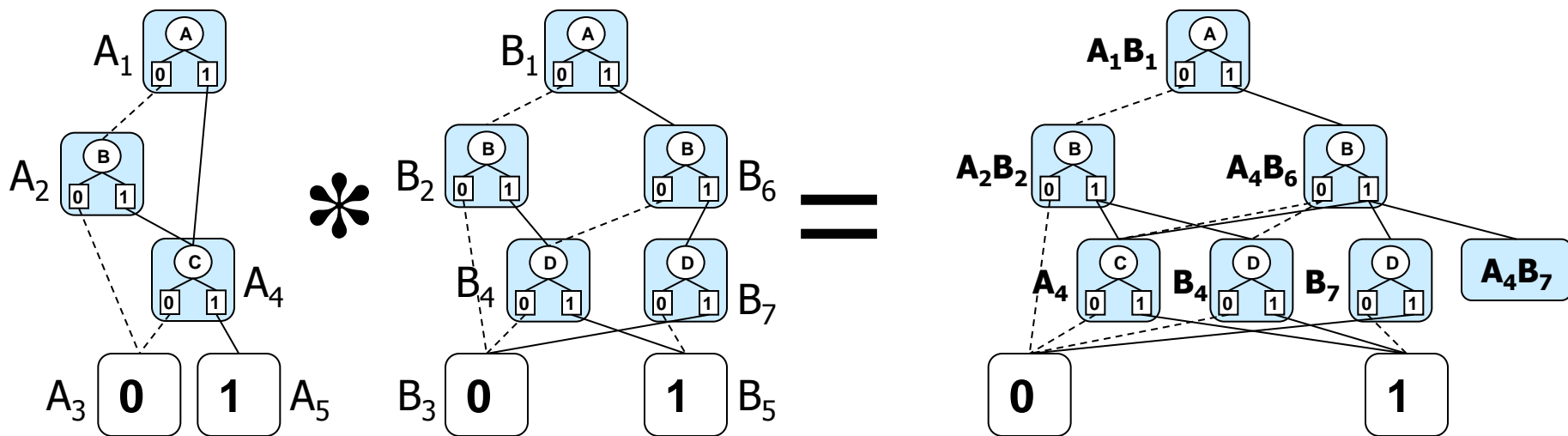
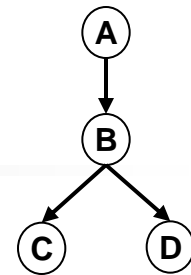
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And/Or Multi-Valued Decision Diagrams

- AOMDDs are:
 - AND/OR search graphs
 - **canonical representations**, given a pseudo tree
 - Defined by two rules:
 - All isomorphic subgraphs are merged
 - There are no redundant (meta) nodes

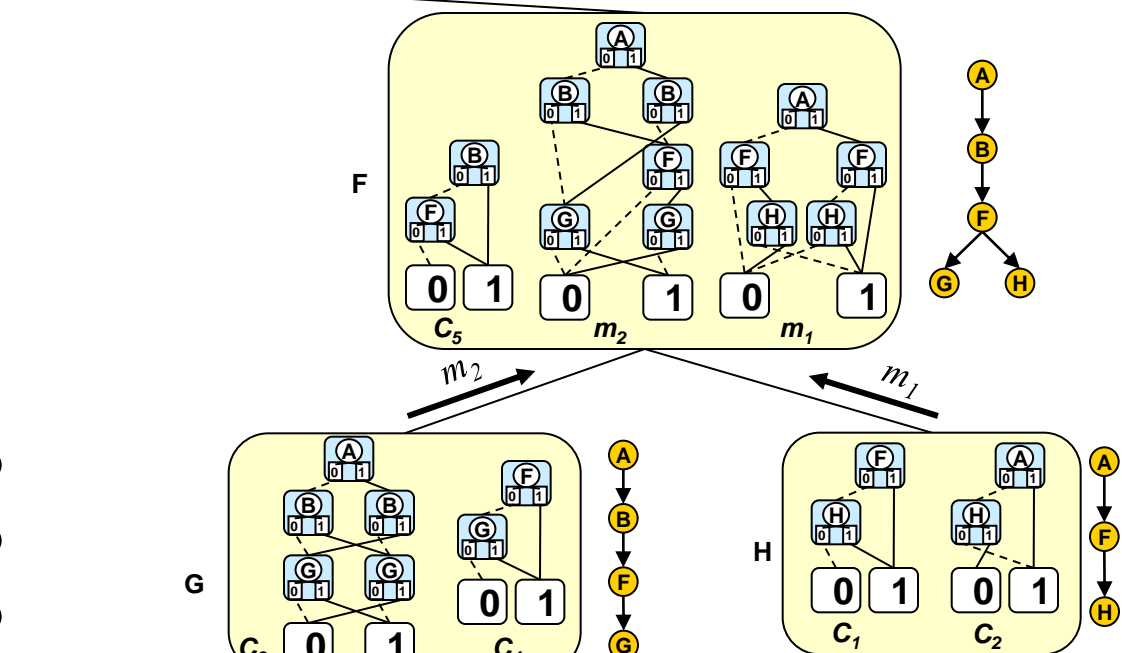
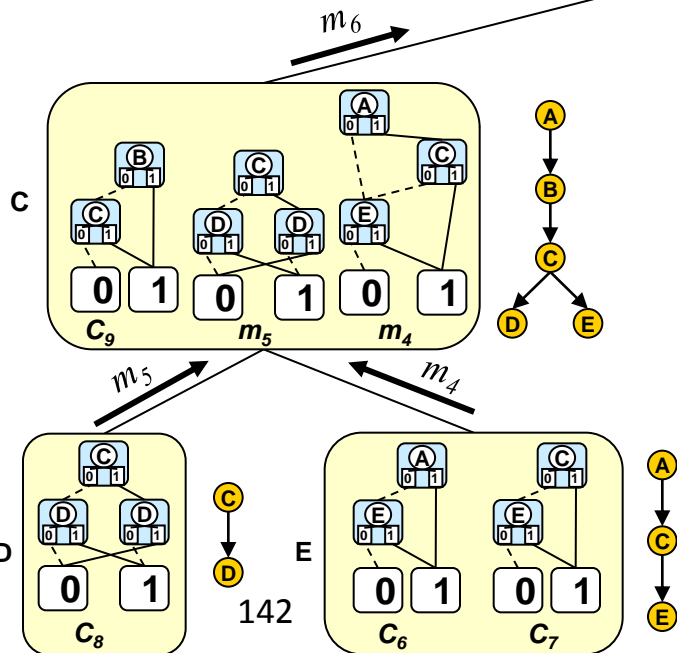
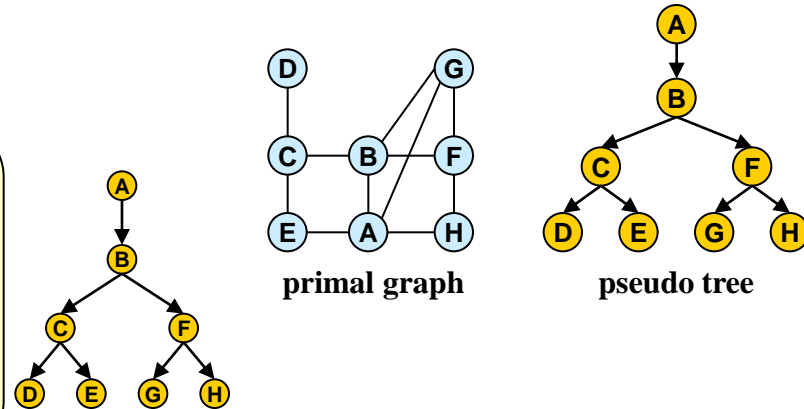
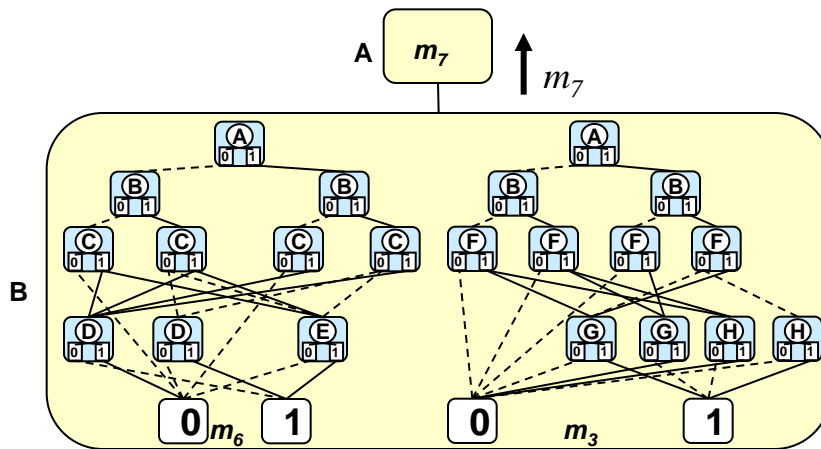


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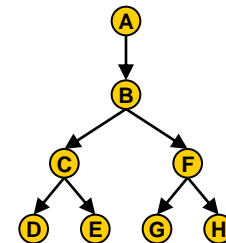
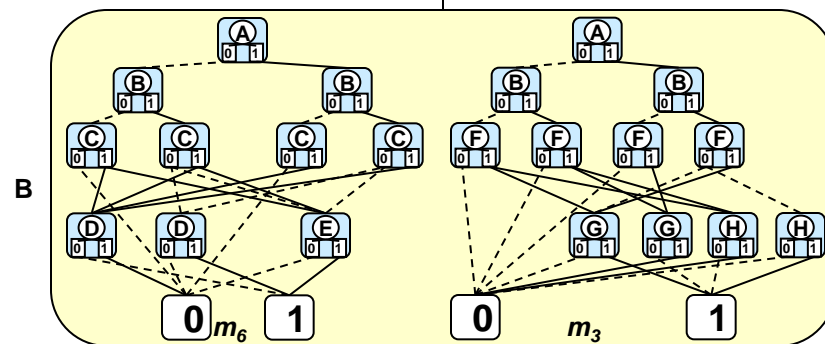
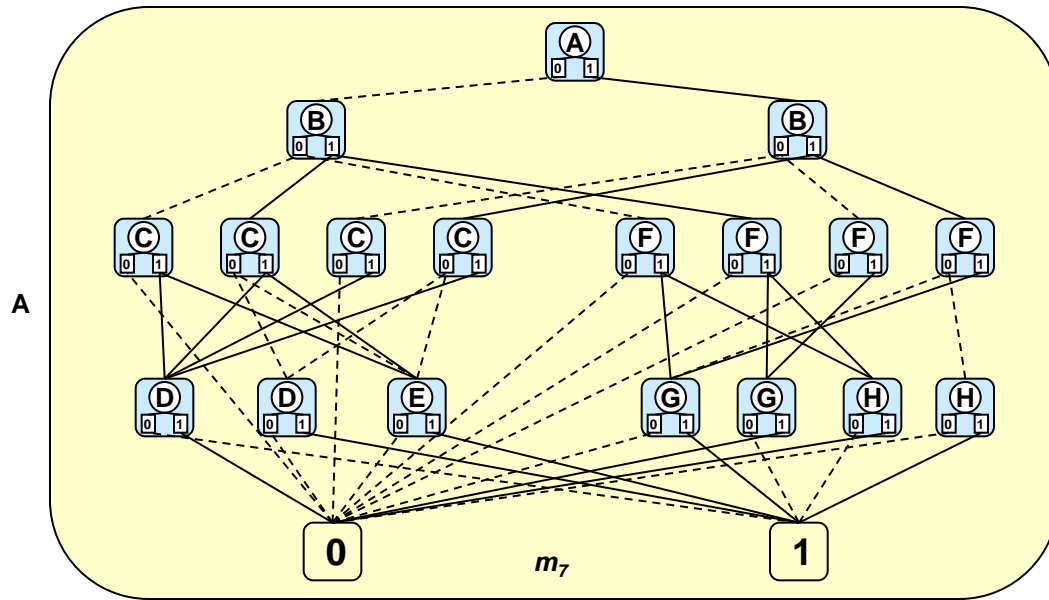
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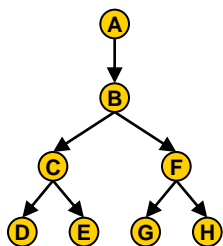
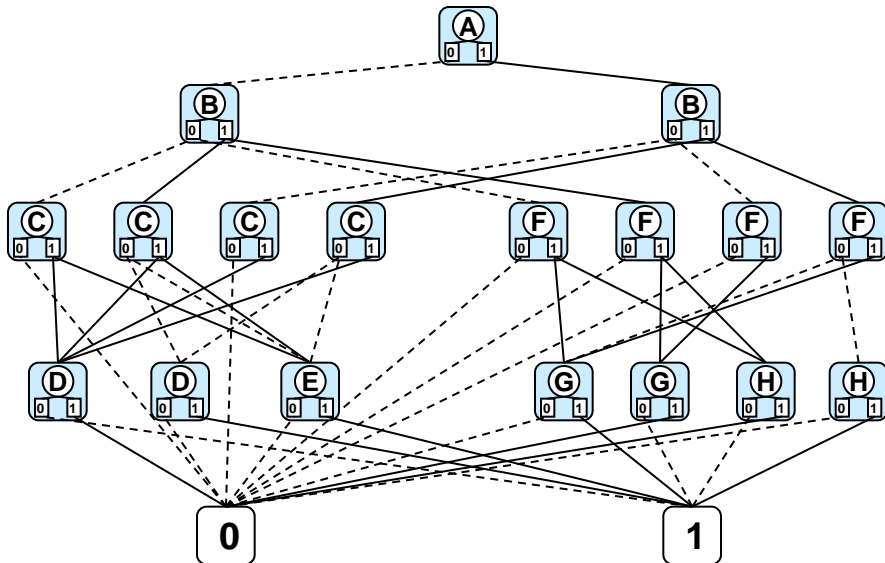
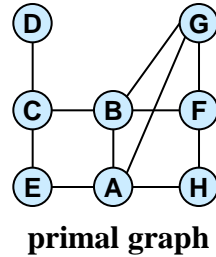
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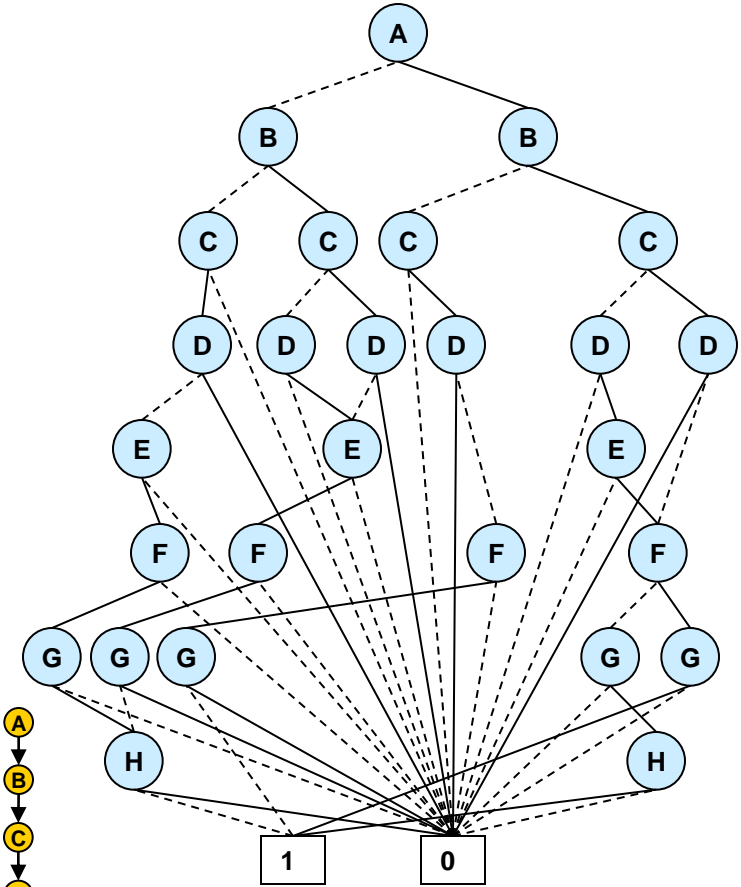
Example (continued)



AOBDD vs. OBDD



AOBDD
 18 nonterminals
 47 arcs



OBDD
 27 nonterminals
 54 arcs



Outline

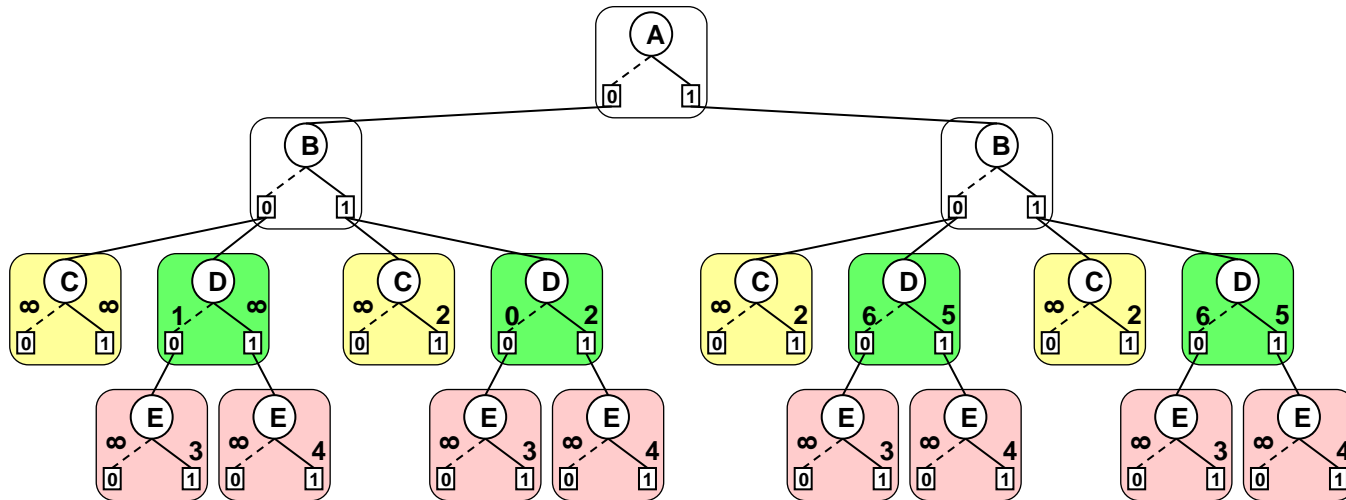
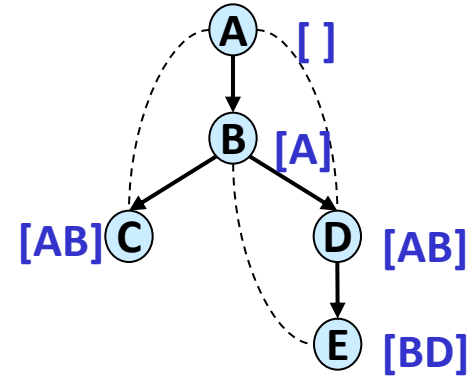
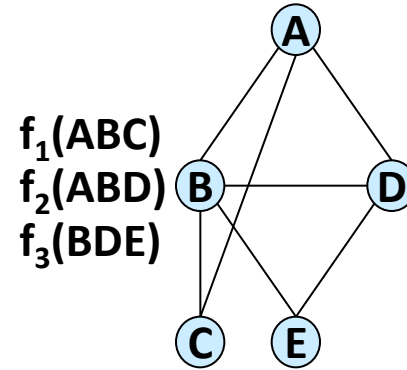
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Constraint Optimization - AND/OR Tree

A	B	C	$f_1(ABC)$
0	0	0	∞
0	0	1	∞
0	1	0	∞
0	1	1	2
1	0	0	∞
1	0	1	2
1	1	0	∞
1	1	1	2

A	B	D	$f_2(ABD)$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	∞
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	2
1	0	0	6
1	0	1	5
1	1	0	6
1	1	1	5

B	D	E	$f_3(BDE)$
0	0	0	∞
0	0	1	3
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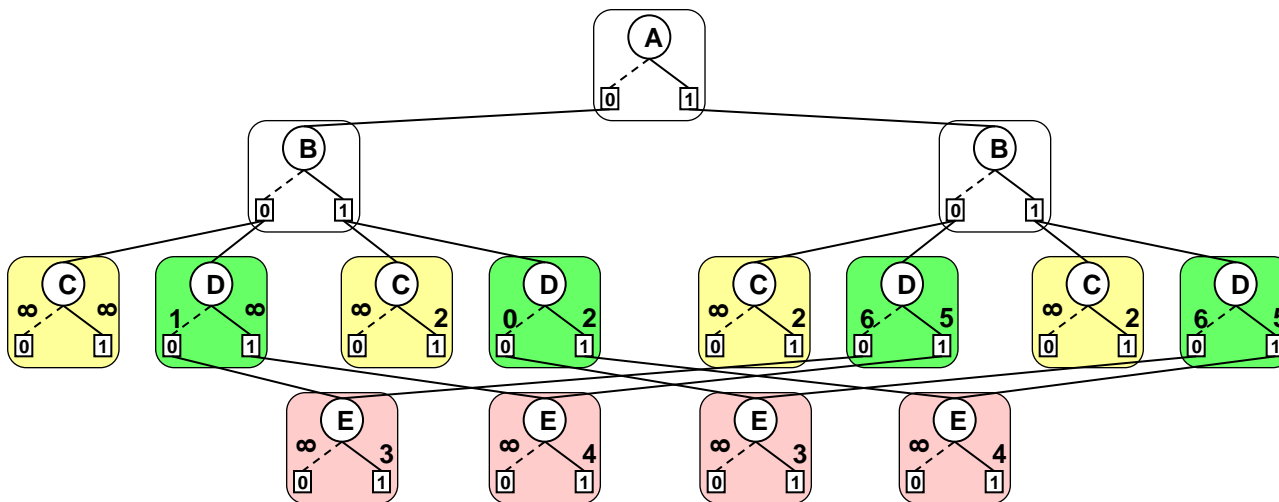
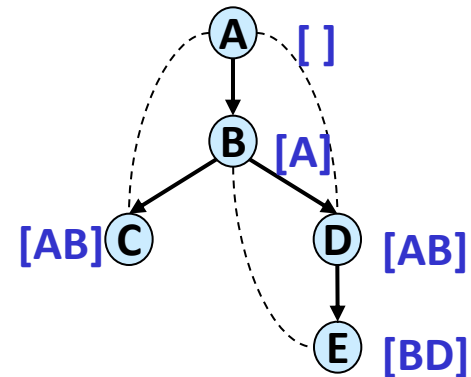
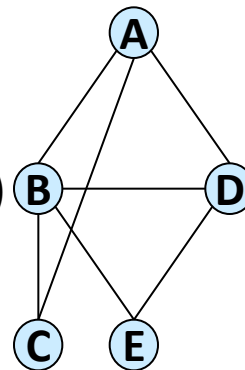
AND/OR Context Minimal Graph

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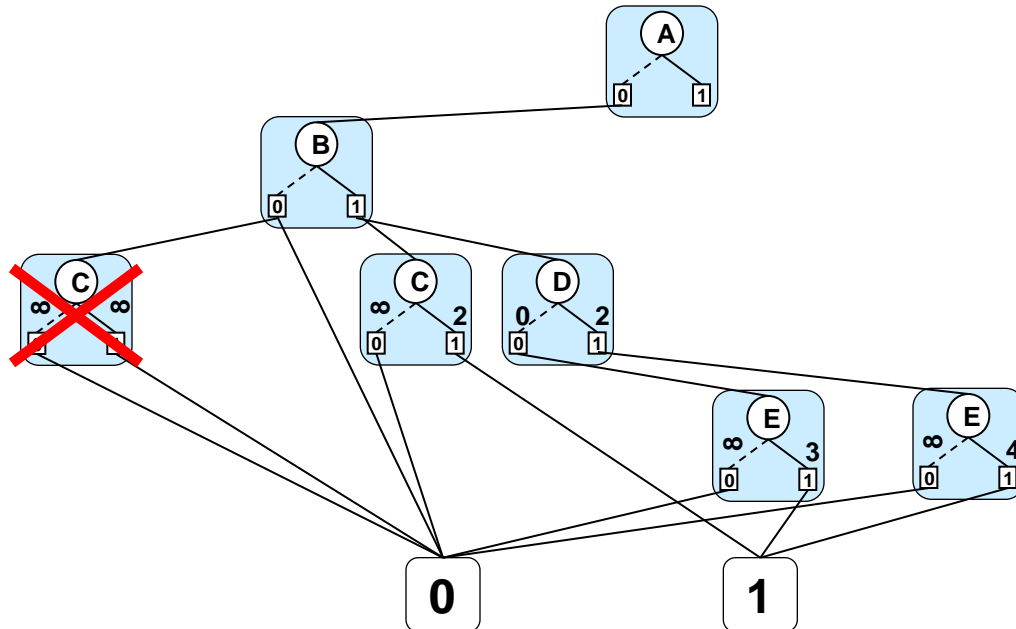
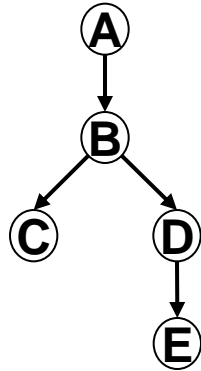
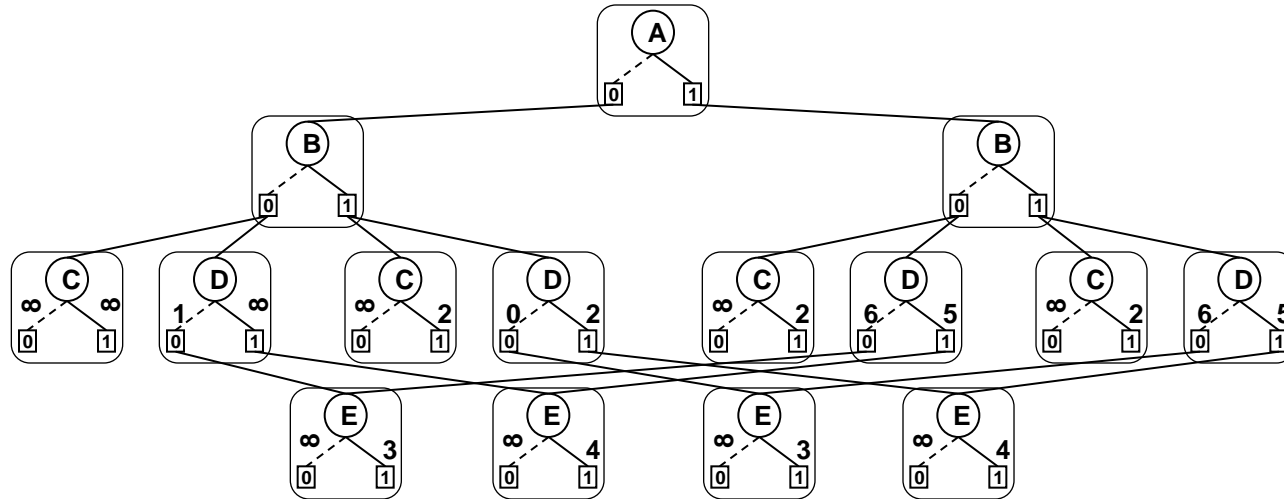
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$f_1(ABC)$
 $f_2(ABD)$
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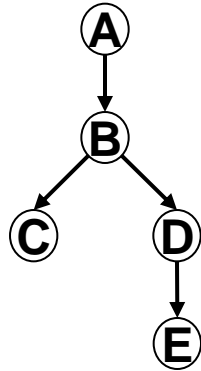
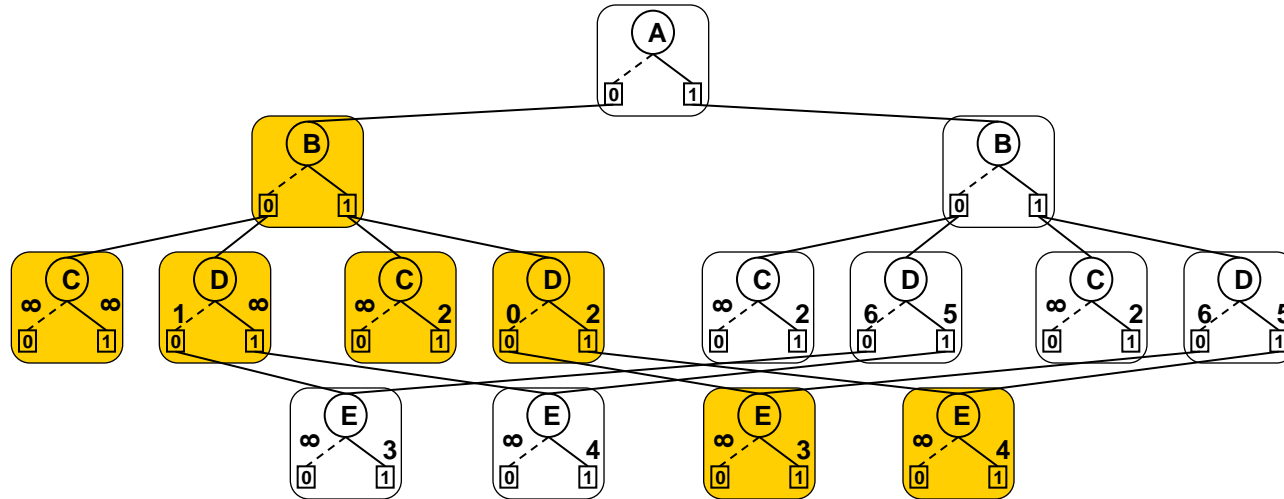


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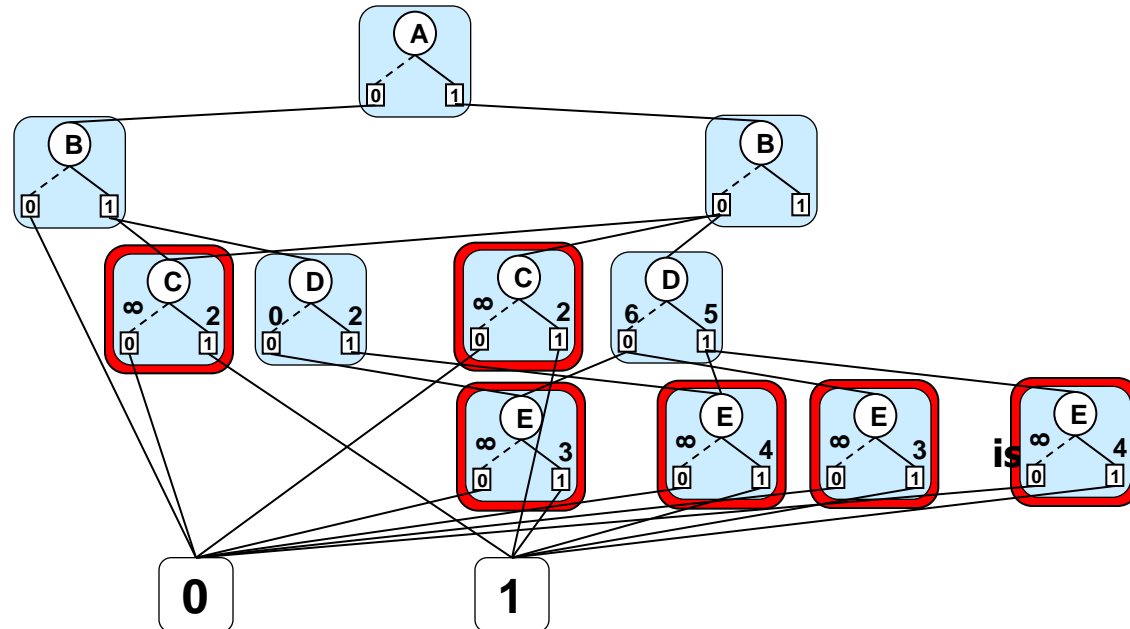


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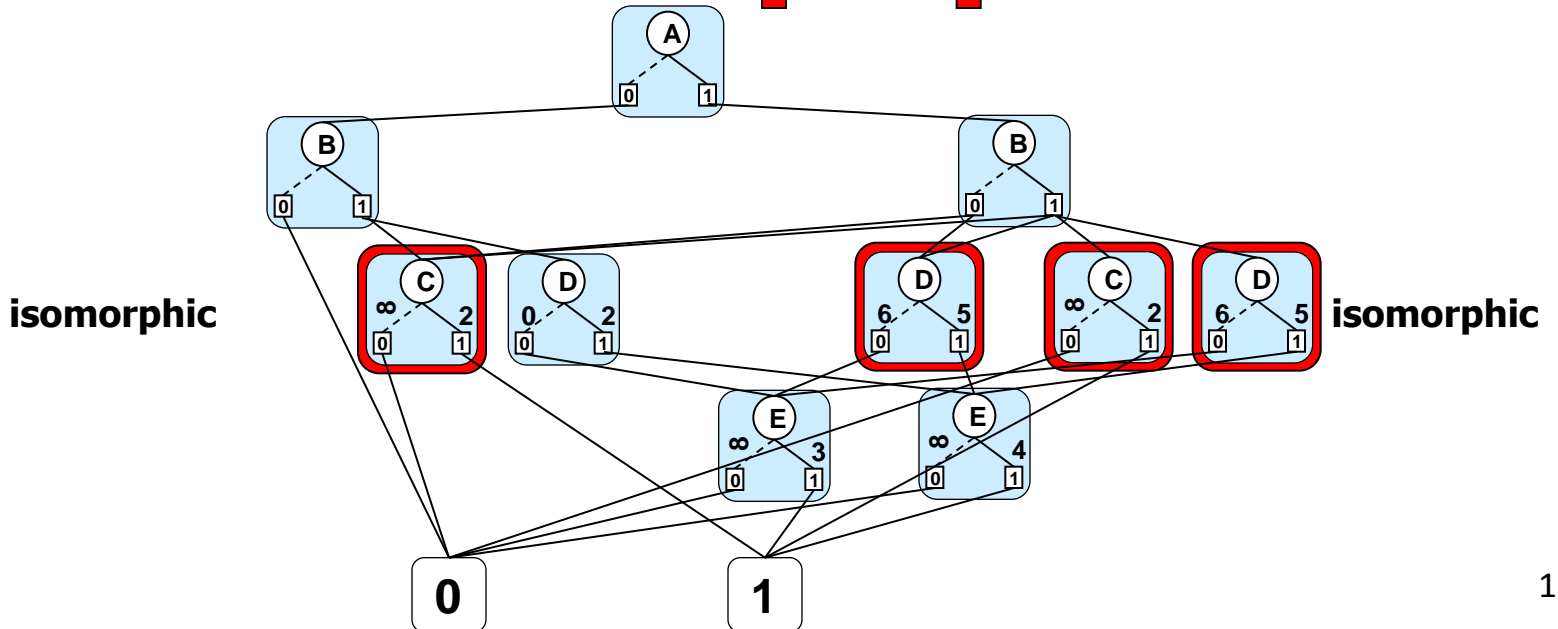
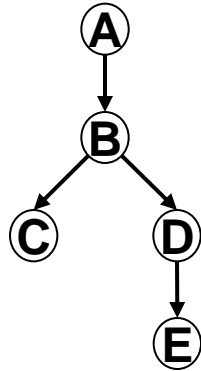
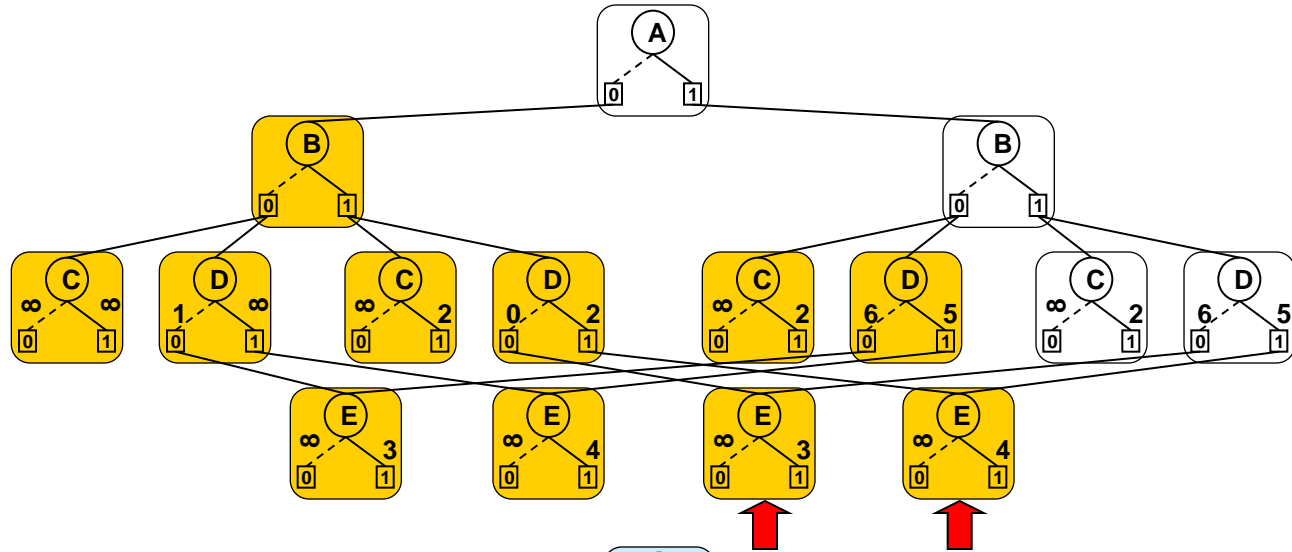


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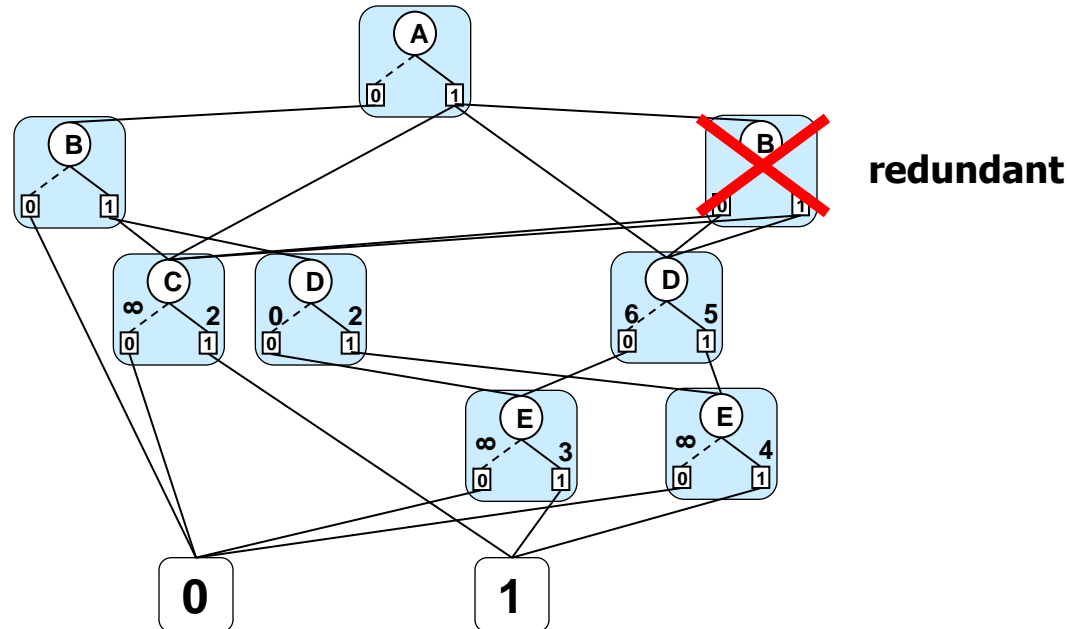
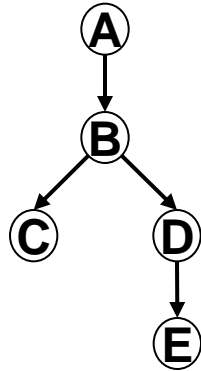
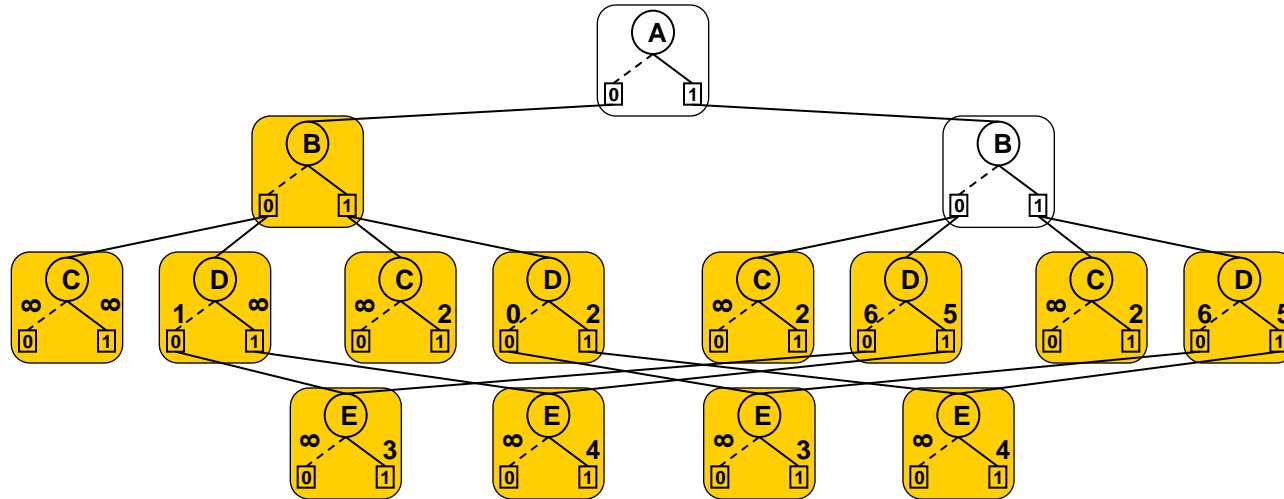


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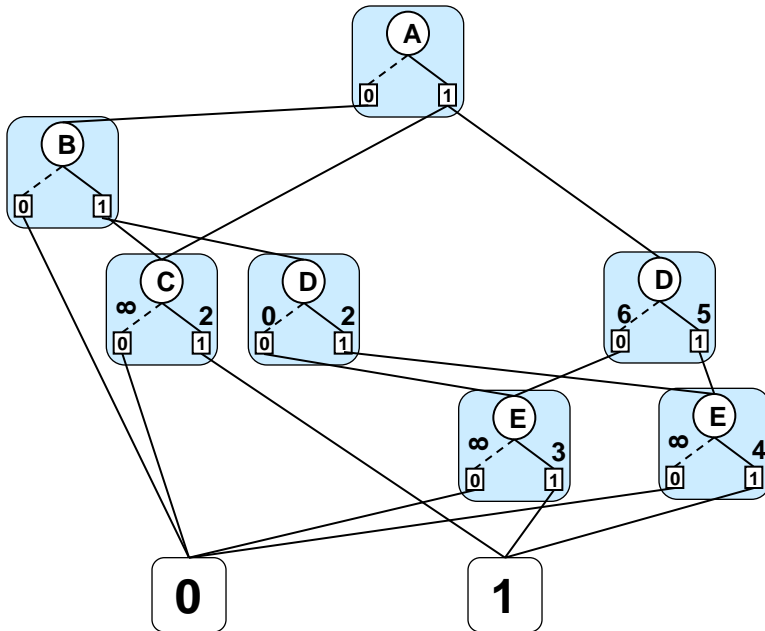
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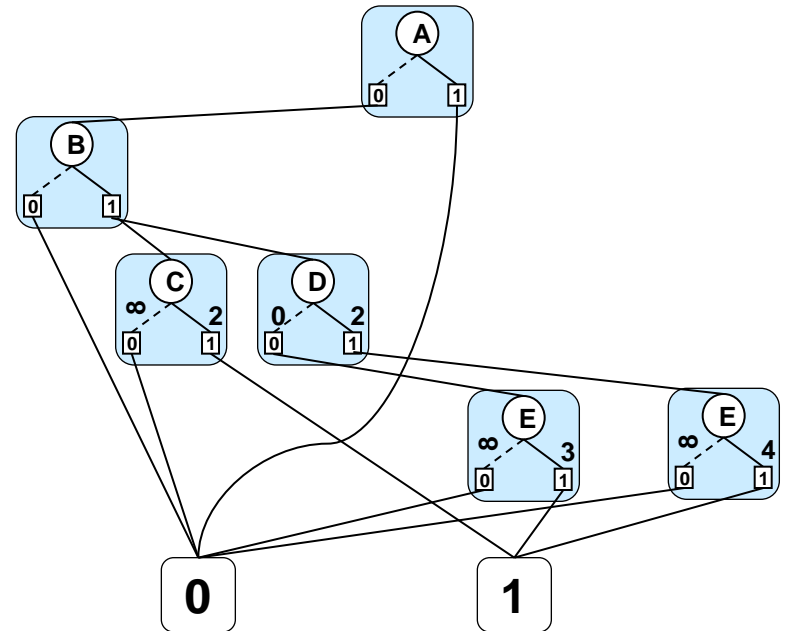
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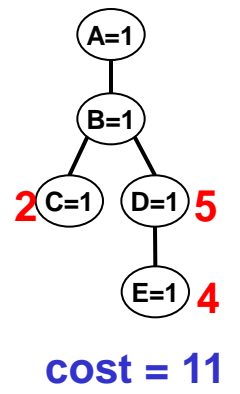
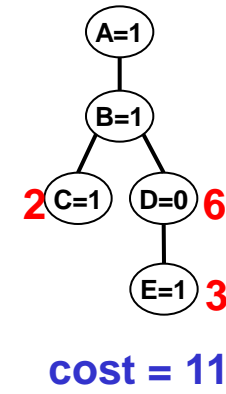
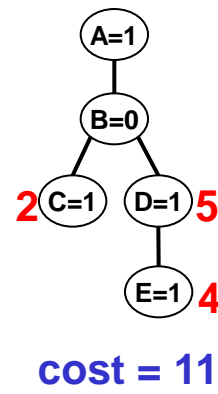
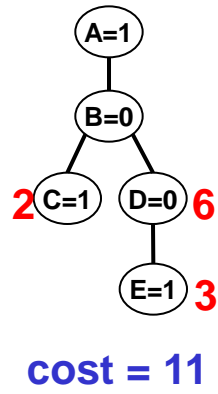
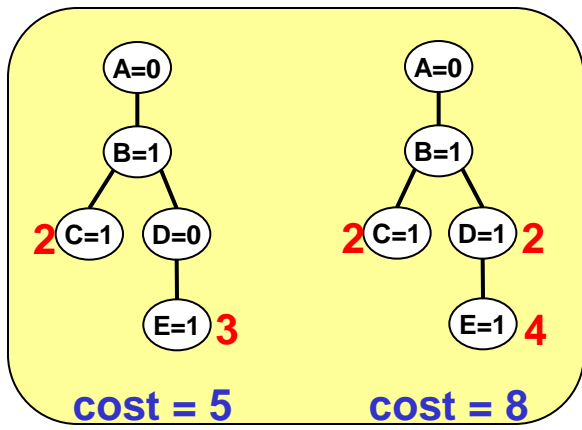
AOMDD for Constraint Optimization



AOMDD for all solutions



AOMDD for two best solutions





Complexity of Compilation

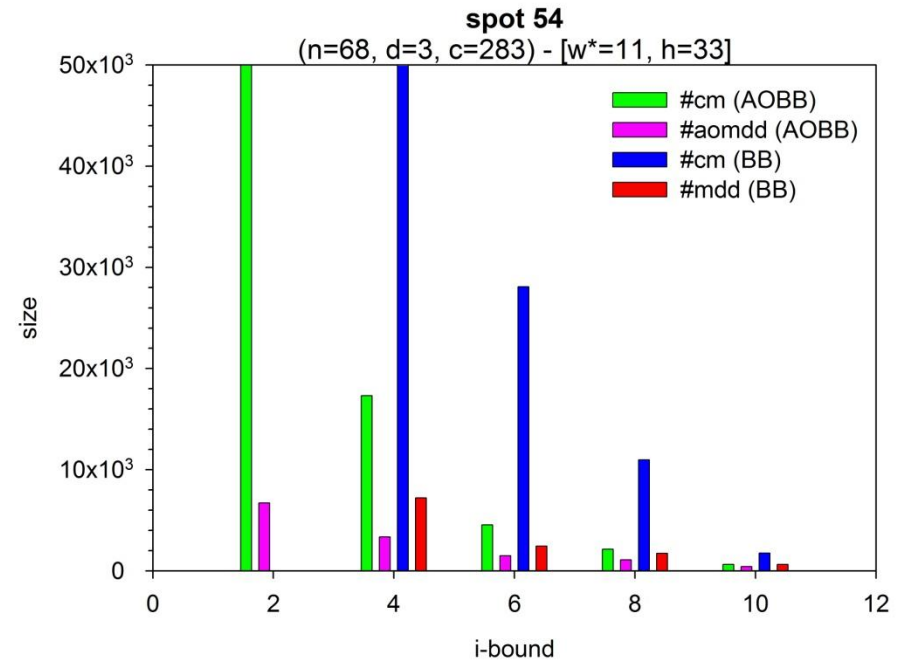
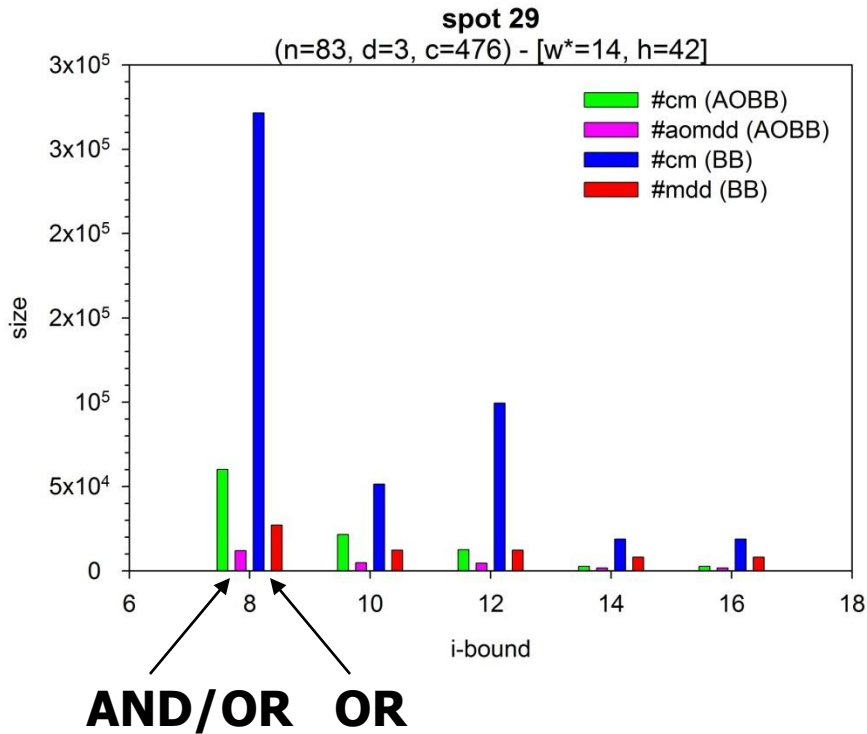
- The size of the AOMDD is $O(n k^{w^*})$
- The compilation time is also bounded by $O(n k^{w^*})$

k = domain size

n = number of variables

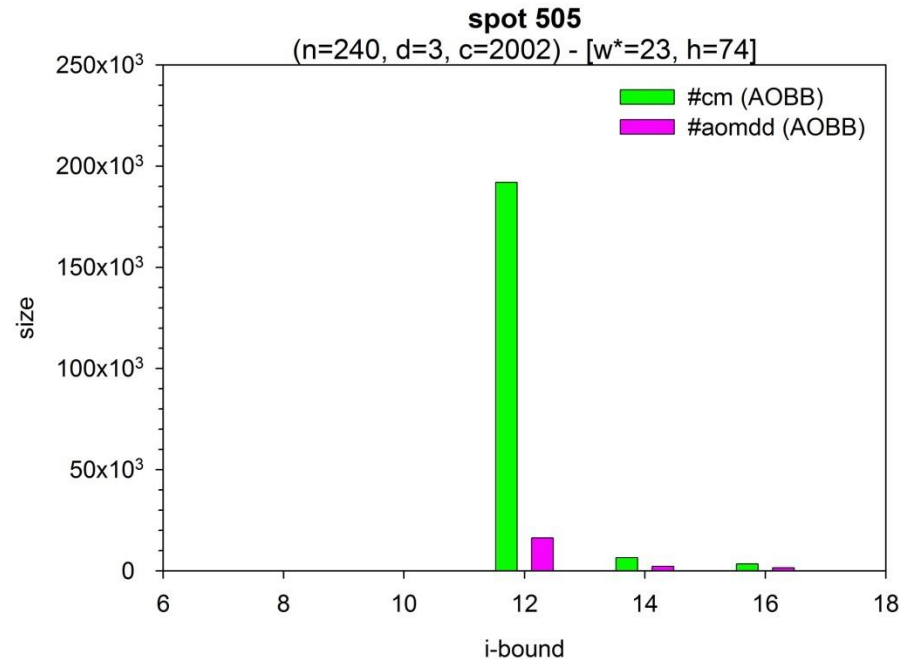
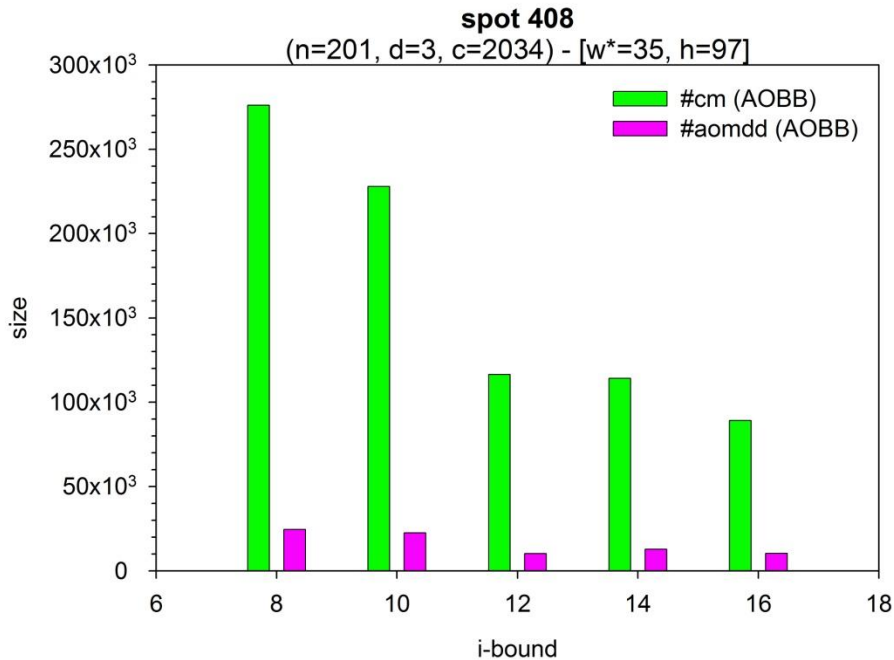
w^* = treewidth

SPOT5 Benchmarks (WCSP)



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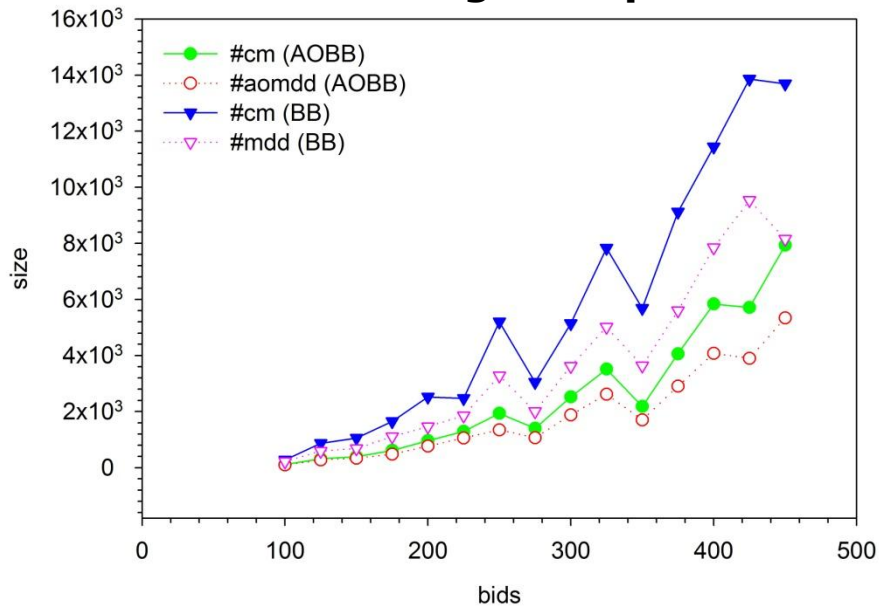
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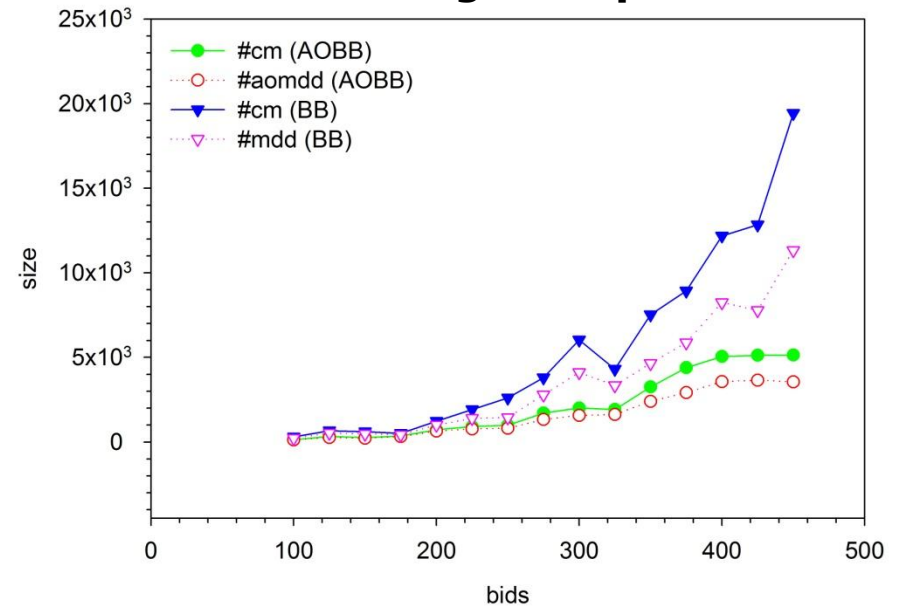
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Combinatorial Auctions (ILP)

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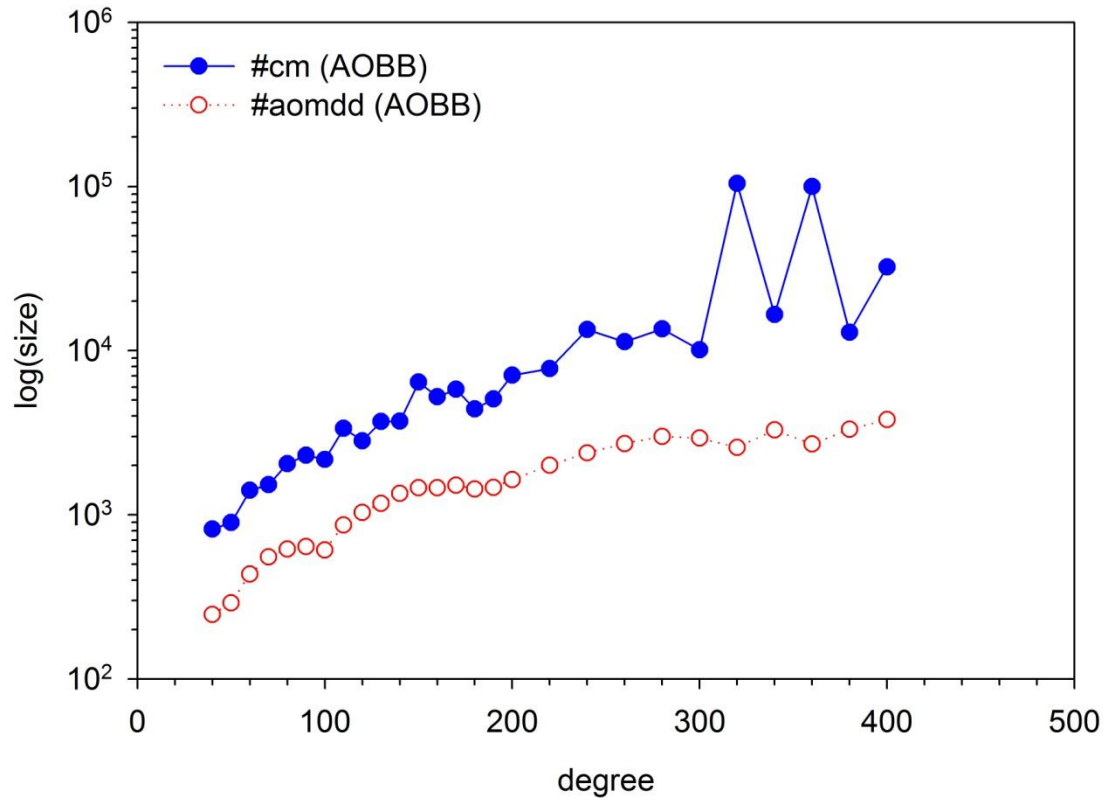


regions-npv



Results for combinatorial auctions from the CATS 2.0 distribution

MAX-SAT Instances (ILP)



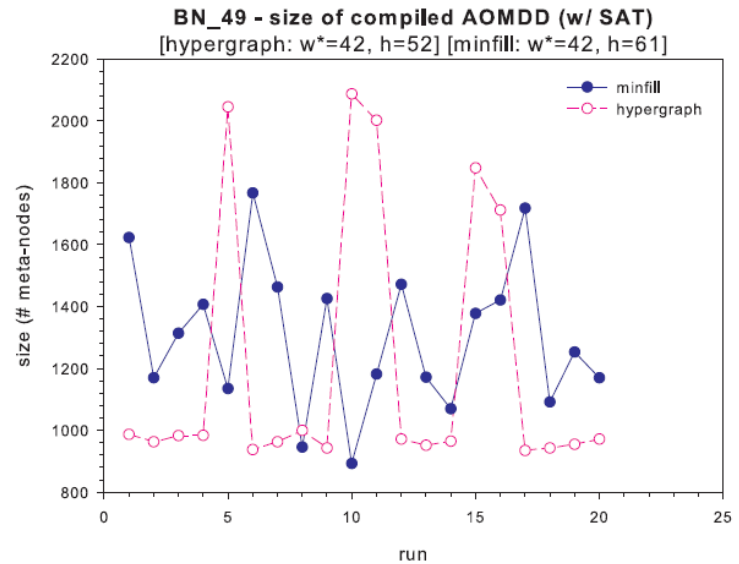
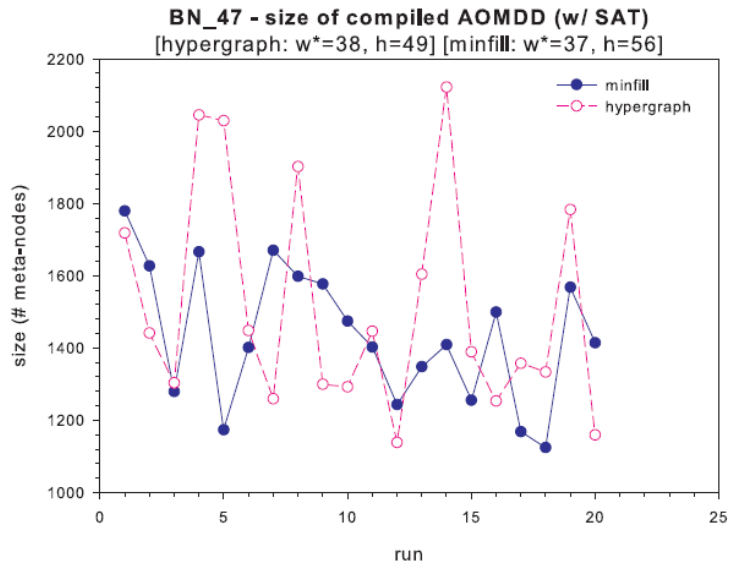
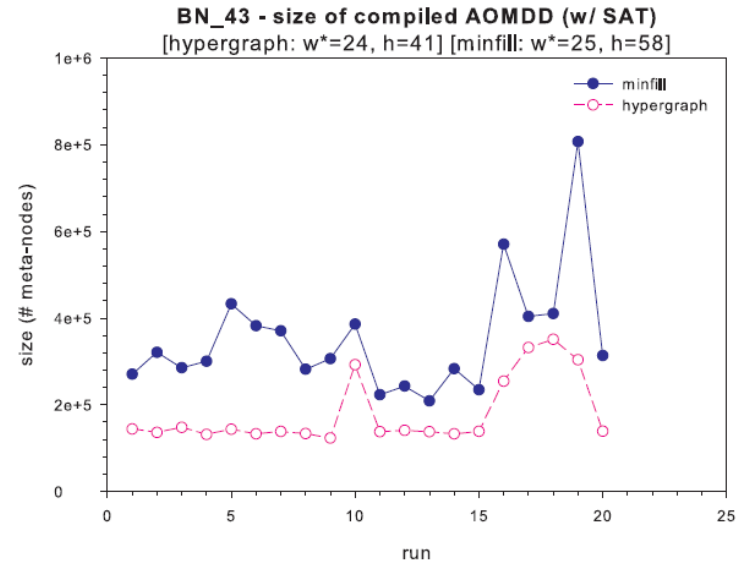
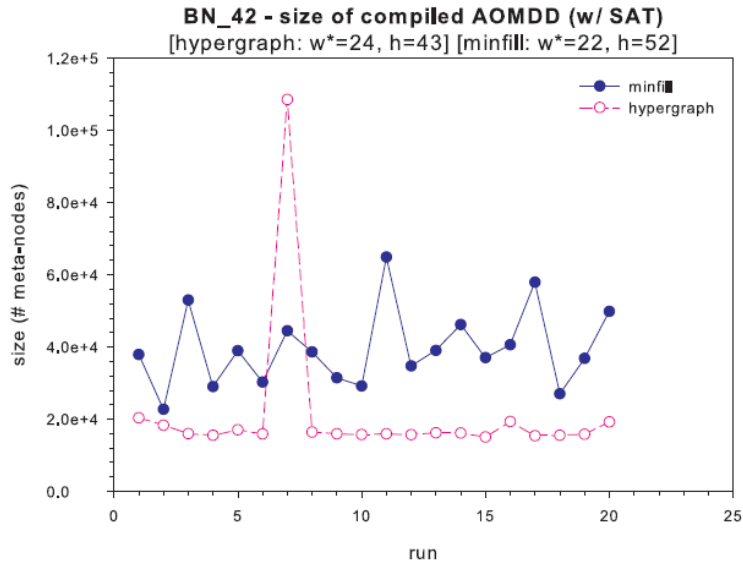
Results for dubois MAX-SAT instances

Bayesian Networks Repository

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			#nodes	time	#meta	#cm(OR)	time	#meta	#cm(OR)	time	#meta	#cm(OR)	time
Bayesian Network Repository													
alarm	(4, 13)	(37, 4)	1,511	0.01	208,837	682,195	73.35	320	459	0.05	320	459	0.22
cpcs54	(14, 23)	(54, 2)	196,933	0.06	-	-	-	65,158	66,405	6.97	65,158	66,405	6.97
cpcs179	(8, 14)	(179, 4)	67,919	0.05	-	-	-	9,990	32,185	46.56	9,990	32,185	46.56
cpcs360b	(20, 27)	(360, 2)	5,258,826	1.72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
diabetes	(4, 77)	(413, 21)	7,615,989	1.81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
hailfinder	(4, 16)	(56, 11)	8,815	0.01	-	-	-	2,068	2,202	0.34	1,893	2,202	1.48
mildew	(4, 13)	(35, 100)	823,913	0.39	-	-	-	73,666	110,284	1367.81	62,903	65,599	3776.82
mm	(20, 57)	(1220, 2)	47,171	1.49	-	-	-	38,414	58,144	4.54	30,274	52,523	99.55
munin2	(9, 32)	(1003, 21)	2,128,147	1.91	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
munin3	(9, 32)	(1041, 21)	1,226,635	1.27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
munin4	(9, 32)	(1044, 21)	2,423,009	4.44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
pathfinder	(6, 11)	(109, 63)	18,250	0.05	610,854	1,303,682	352.18	6,984	16,267	30.71	2,265	15,963	50.36
pigs	(11, 26)	(441, 3)	636,684	0.19	-	-	-	261,920	294,101	174.29	198,284	294,101	1277.72
water	(10, 15)	(32, 4)	59,642	0.52	707,283	1,138,096	95.14	18,744	20,926	2.02	18,503	19,225	7.45

Size (number of nodes), time (seconds)

Effect of Variable Ordering





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Software & Competitions

■ How to use the software

- <http://graphmod.ics.uci.edu/group/Software>
- <http://mulcyber.toulouse.inra.fr/projects/toulbar2>

■ Reports on competitions

- UAI-2006, 2008, 2010 Competitions
 - PE, MAR, MPE tasks
- CP-2006 Competition
 - WCSP task



Toulbar2 and aolib

- toulbar2

<http://mulcyber.toulouse.inra.fr/gf/project/toulbar2>

(Open source WCSP, MPE solver in C++)

- aolib

<http://graphmod.ics.uci.edu/group/Software>

(WCSP, MPE, ILP solver in C++, inference and counting)

- Large set of benchmarks

<http://carlit.toulouse.inra.fr/cgi-bin/awki.cgi/SoftCSP>

<http://graphmod.ics.uci.edu/group/Repository>



UAI-2006 Competition

- **Team 1 (UCLA)**

- David Allen, Mark Chavira, Arthur Choi, Adnan Darwiche

- **Team 2 (IET)**

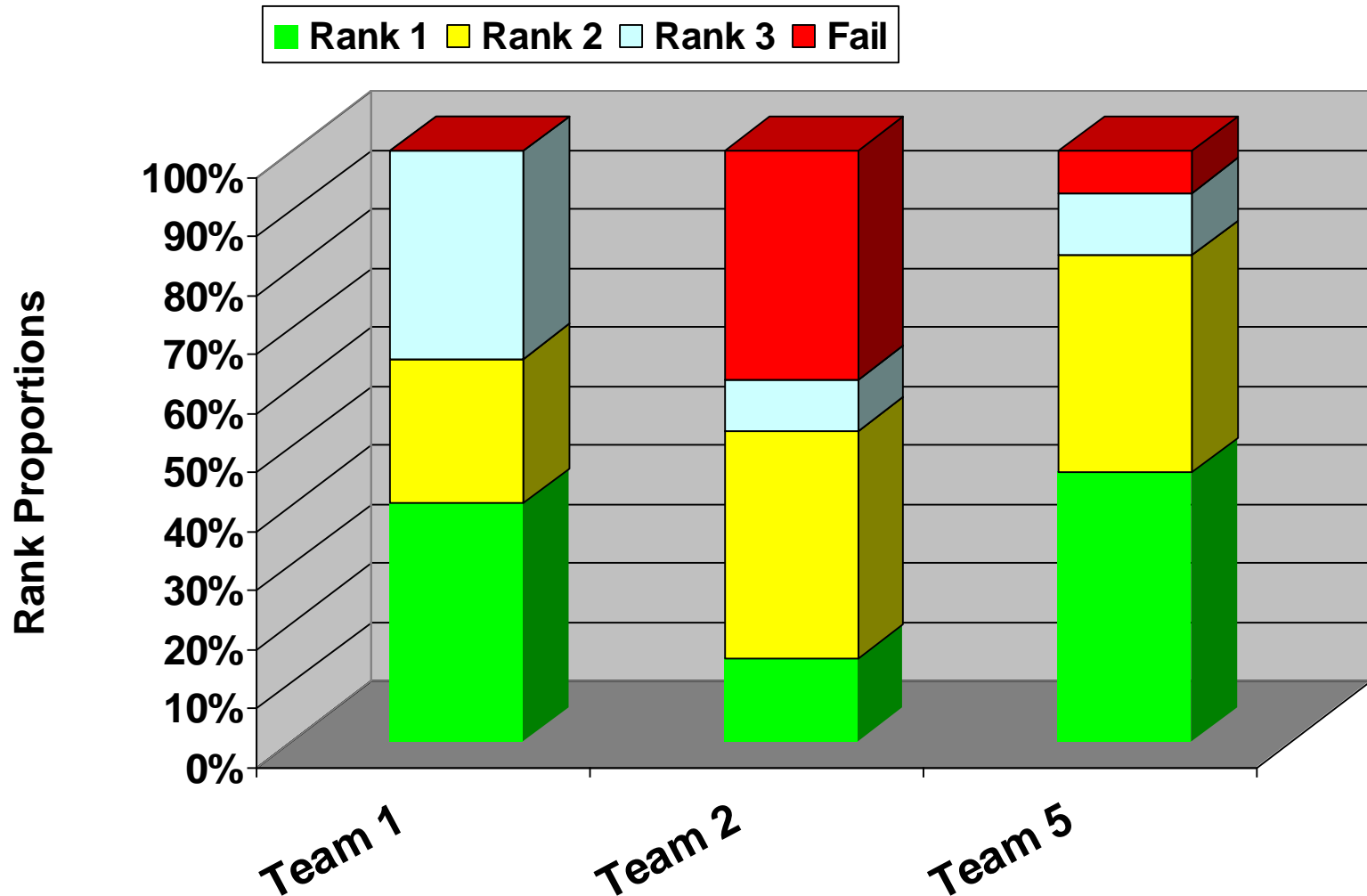
- Masami Takikawa, Hans Dettmar, Francis Fung, Rick Kissh

- **Team 5 (UCI)**

- Radu Marinescu, Robert Mateescu, Rina Dechter
- Used **AOBB-C+SMB(i)** solver for MPE

UAI-2006 Results

Rank Proportions (how often was each team a particular rank, rank 1 is best)





CP-2006 Competition (WCSP)

■ Solvers

- AbsconMax (ie, DFBB+MRDAC)
- **aolibdvo** (ie, AOBB+EDAC+DVO solver)
- **aolibpvo** (ie, AOBB+EDAC+PVO solver)
- CSP4J-MaxCSP
- **Toolbar** (ie, DFBB+EDAC)
- **Toolbar_BT D** (ie, BT D+EDAC+VE)
- **Toolbar_MaxSAT** (ie, DPLL+specific EPT rules)
- **Toulbar2** (ie, DFBB+EDAC+VE+LDS)

CP-2006 Results

Overall ranking on all selected competition benchmarks

Solver Name	Progress				
AbsconMax 109 EPFC	done 1069				
	MOPT 479	SAT 26	MSAT 563		Inc. Answer 1
AbsconMax 109 PFC	done 1069				
	MOPT 500	SAT 26	MSAT 542		Inc. Answer 1
4 aolibdvo 2007-01-17	done 821				
	MOPT 495	SAT 25	MSAT 42	? 259	
5 aolibpvo 2007-01-17	done 821				
	MOPT 490	SAT 25	MSAT 47	? 258	
CSP4J - MaxCSP 2006-12-19	done 1069				
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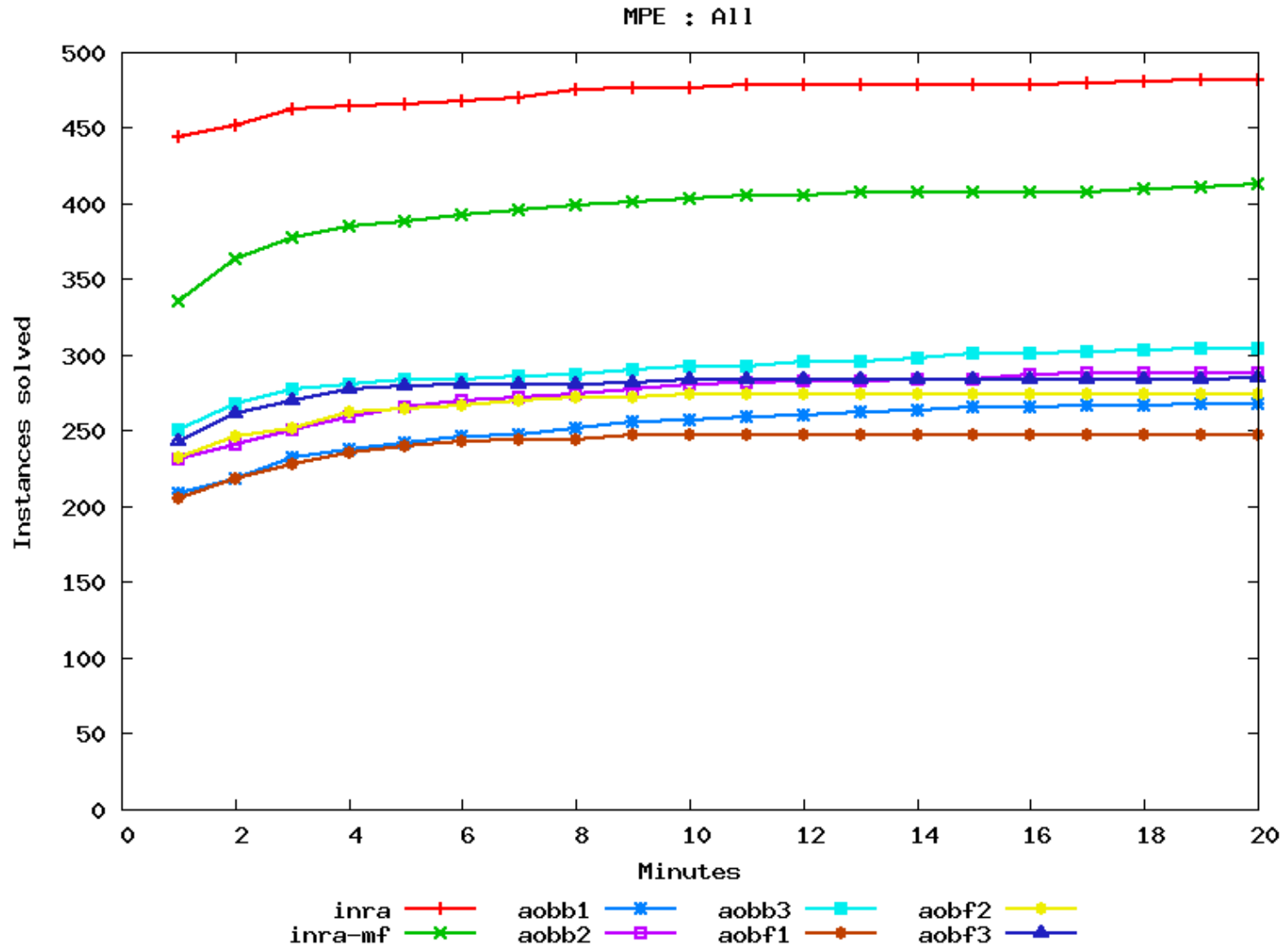
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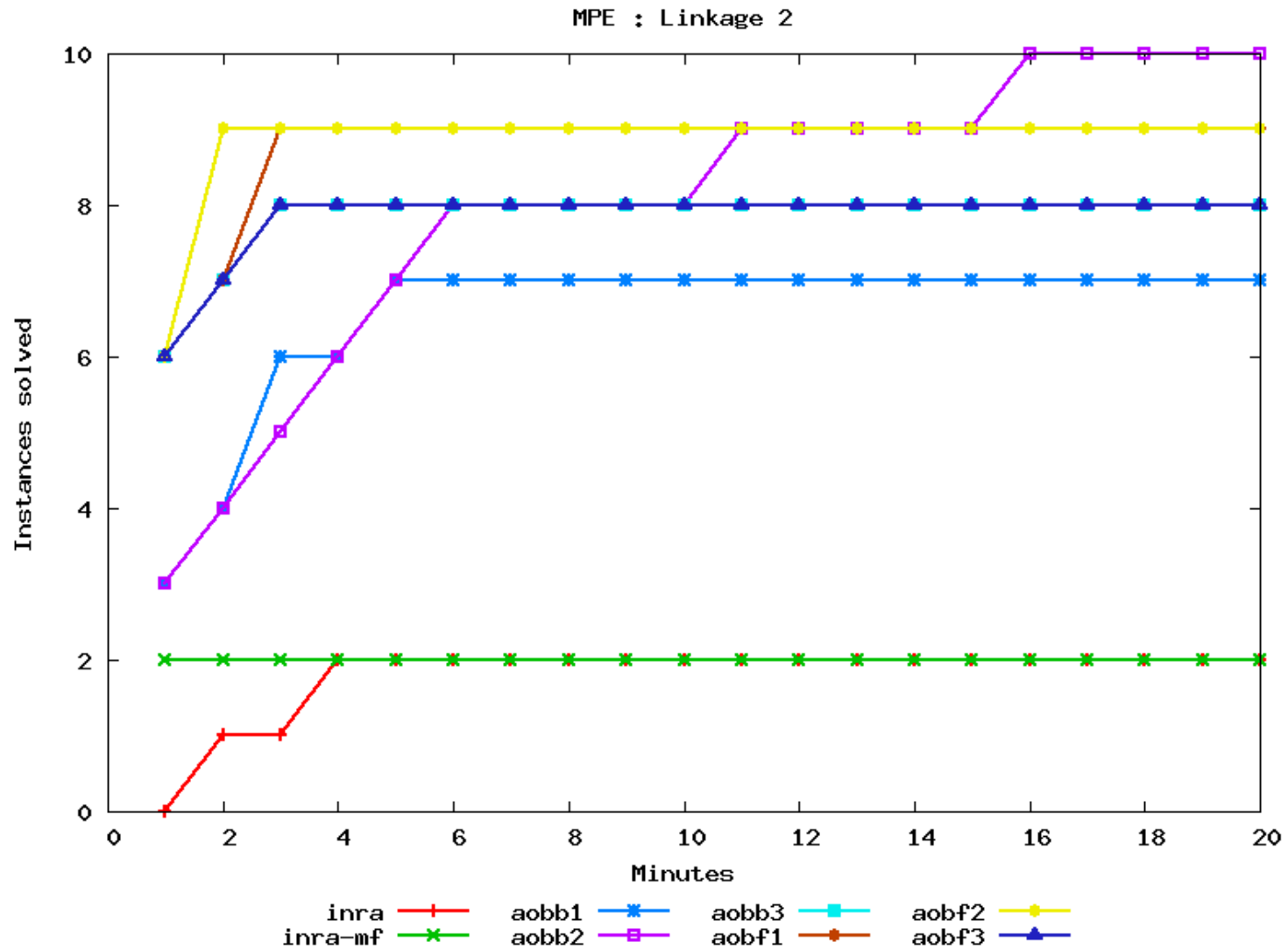
UAI-2008 Competition

- **AOBB-C+SMB(i) – (i = 18, 20, 22)**
 - AND/OR Branch-and-Bound with pre-compiled mini-bucket heuristics (i-bound), full caching, static pseudo-trees, constraint propagation
- **AOBF-C+SMB(i) – (i = 18, 20, 22)**
 - AND/OR Best-First search with pre-compiled mini-bucket heuristics (i-bound), full caching, static pseudo-trees, no constraint propagation
- **Toulbar2**
 - OR Branch-and-Bound, dynamic variable/value orderings, EDAC consistency for binary and ternary cost functions, variable elimination of small degree (2) during search
- **Toulbar2/BTD**
 - DFBB exploiting a tree decomposition (AND/OR), same search inside clusters as toulbar2, full caching (no cluster merging), combines RDS and EDAC, and caching lower bounds

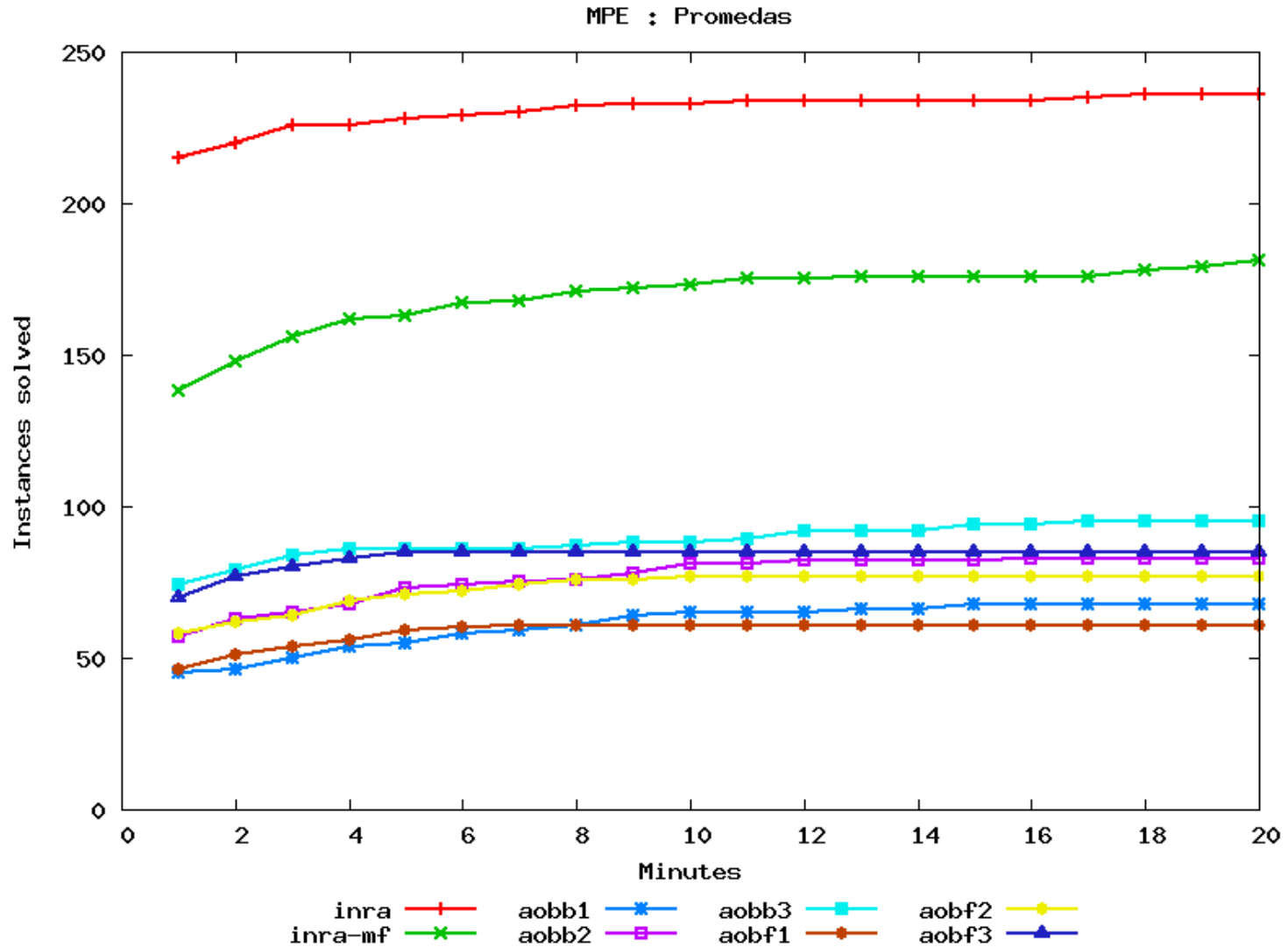
UAI-2008 Results



UAI-2008 Results (contd.)



UAI-2008 Results (contd.)





UAI-2010 Competition

- Tasks
 - PR: probability of evidence
 - MAR: posterior marginals
 - MPE: most probable explanation
- 3 tracks: 20 sec, 20 min, 1 hour
 - PR, MAR - 204 instances; MPE - 442 instances
 - CSP, grids, image alignment, medical diagnosis, object detection, pedigree, protein folding, protein-protein interaction, relational model, segmentation
- Exact and approximate solvers



UAI-2010 Results

- MAR task
 - **1st place** (20 min, 1 hour) – (impl. by Vibhav Gogate)
 - Anytime **IJGP(i)** with randomized orderings and SAT based domain pruning
(Mateescu et al, JAIR2010),
(Dechter et al, UAI2002)
- PR task
 - **1st place** (20 min, 1 hour) – (impl. by Vibhav Gogate)
 - Formula **SampleSearch** with IJGP(3) based importance distribution, w-cutset sampling, minisat based search, rejection control
(Gogate, Domingos and Dechter UAI2010)
- MPE task
 - **3rd place** (all tracks) – (impl. by Lars Otten)
 - **AND/OR BnB** with mini-buckets, randomized min-fill based pseudo tree, LDS based search for initial upper bound
(Marinescu and Dechter, AIJ2009),
(Otten and Dechter, ISAIM2010)