**Definition** (Union of design problems). Given two design problems  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: A \rightarrow B$ , their *union*  $f \lor g: A \rightarrow B$  is defined by

 $\langle a^*, b \rangle \mapsto f(a^*, b) \vee g(a^*, b).$ 

 $(f \vee g): A^{op} \times B \rightarrow_{Pos} Bool$