I/O-efficient Manipulation of Binary Decision Diagrams

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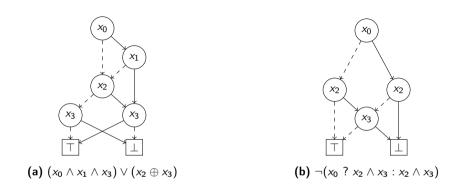
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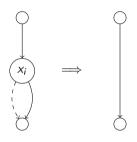
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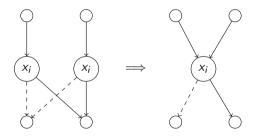
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Examples of (Reduced Ordered) Binary Decision Diagrams.

Theorem (Bryant '86)For a fixed variable order, if one exhaustively applies the two rules below, then one obtains the Reduced OBDD, which is a unique canonical form of the function.





(1) Remove redundant nodes

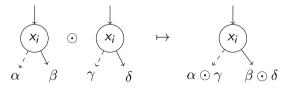
(2) Merge duplicate nodes

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Inductive Case:

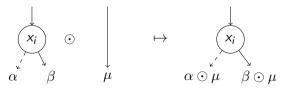


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Let N_f , N_g be the size of the BDDs for f and g.

Let T be the $O(N_f \cdot N_g)$ size of the BDD for $f \odot g$.

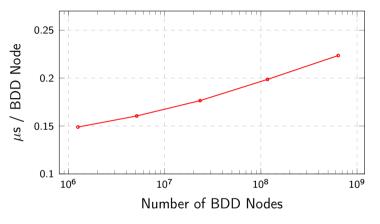
Theorem

 $bdd_apply(f,g,\odot)$ runs in $O(N_f + N_g + T)$ time

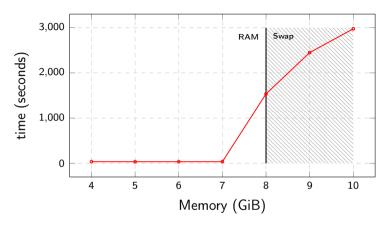
- Memoisation (*Computation Cache*) ensures each (t_f, t_g) is only computed once.
- Reduction Rules can be maintained with a make_node(i, t, e) in O(1) time.
 - 1 Redundancy is resolved with an if-statement.
 - 2 Duplication is avoided with a hash table (*Unique Node Table*).

Corollary

 $bdd_apply(f,g,\odot)$ runs in O(1) time per BDD node.



Running time of *BuDDy* for the *N*-Queens problem.



Running time of BuDDy for 3D Tic-Tac-Toe with N=21.

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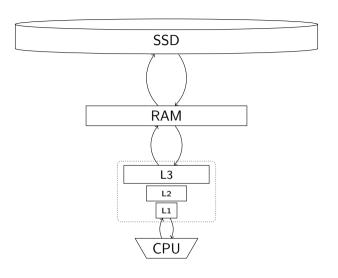
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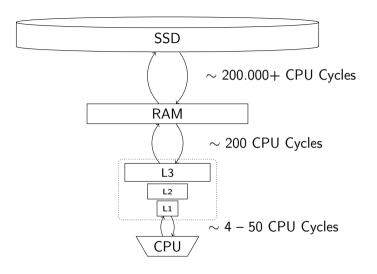
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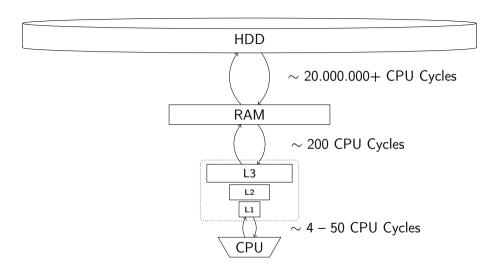
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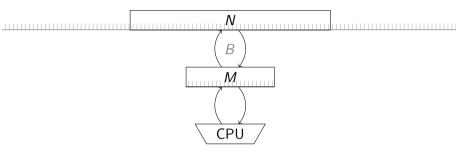
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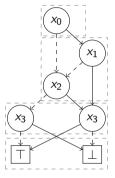
The I/O model by Aggarwal and Vitter '87

For any realistic values of N, M, and B we have that

$$N/B < \operatorname{sort}(N) \triangleq N/B \cdot \log_{M/B} N/B \ll N$$
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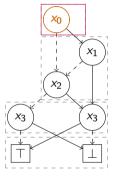
Theorem (Aggarwal and Vitter '87) N elements can be sorted in $\Theta(sort(N))$ I/Os.

Theorem (Arge '95) A Priority Queue can do N insertions and extractions in $\Theta(sort(N))$ I/Os.

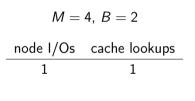


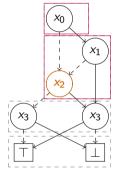
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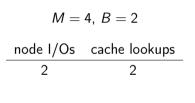


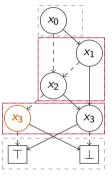
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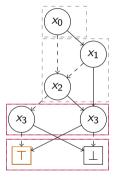
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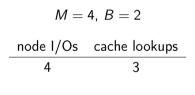


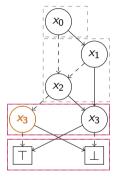
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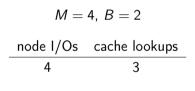


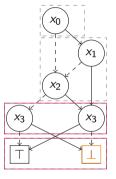
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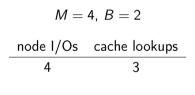


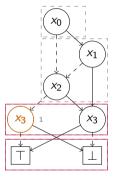
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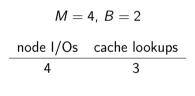


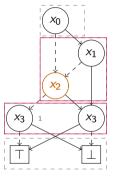
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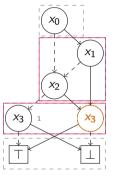
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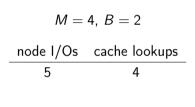


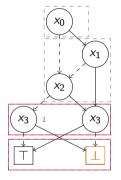
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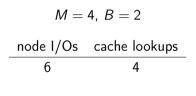


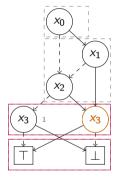
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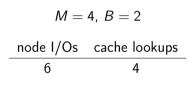


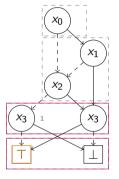
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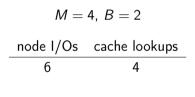


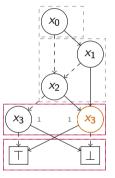
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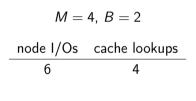


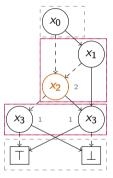
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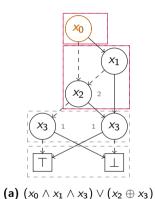
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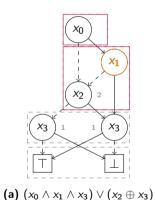
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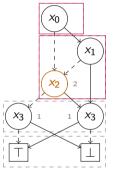
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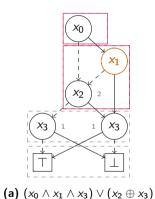
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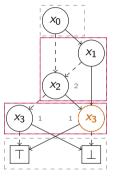
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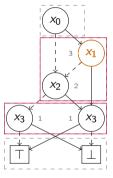
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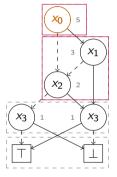


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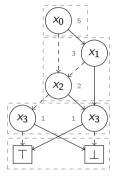


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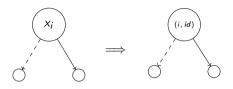
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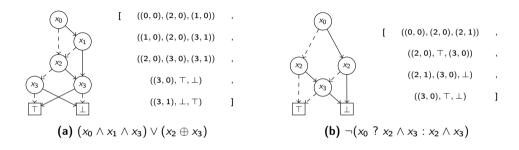
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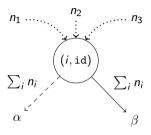


$$(i_1, id_1) < (i_2, id_2) \equiv i_1 < i_2 \lor (i_1 = i_2 \land id_i < id_j)$$



Node-based representation of prior shown $\ensuremath{\mathsf{BDDs}}$

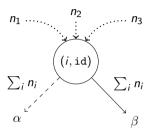
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Idea

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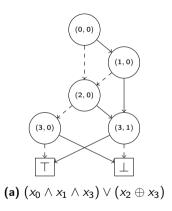
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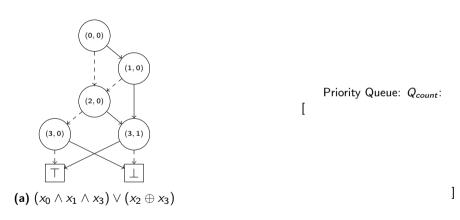


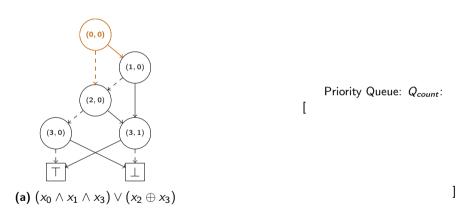
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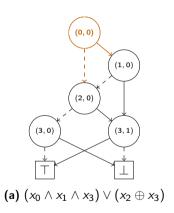
Defer work with Q_{count} : PriorityQueue $\langle (s \to t, \mathbb{N}) \rangle$ sorted on t in ascending order.

$$((i, \mathrm{id}) \xrightarrow{\perp} \alpha, \quad \sum_{i} n_{i}), \qquad ((i, \mathrm{id}) \xrightarrow{\top} \beta, \quad \sum_{i} n_{i})$$

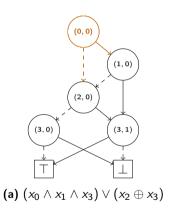


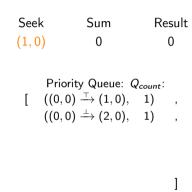


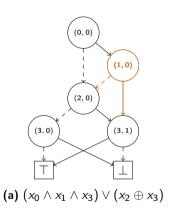


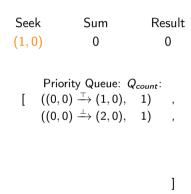


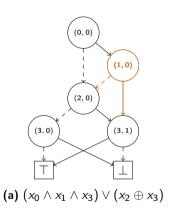
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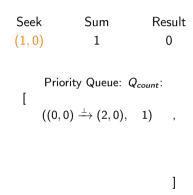


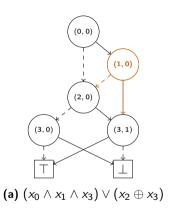


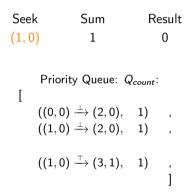


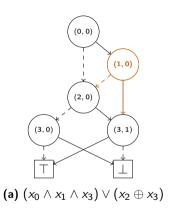


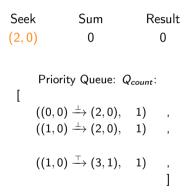


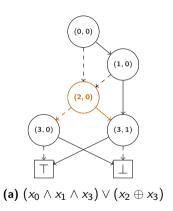


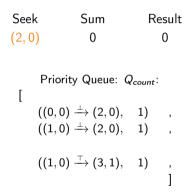


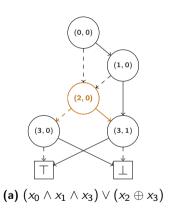


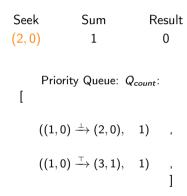


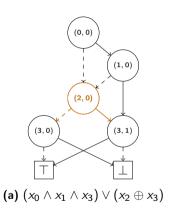


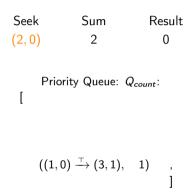


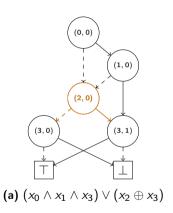




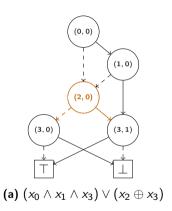




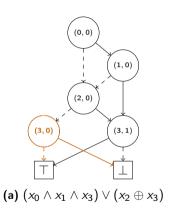




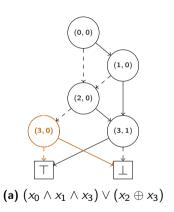
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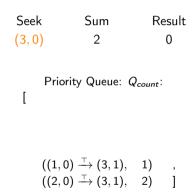


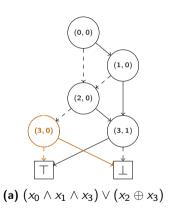
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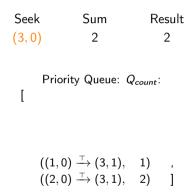


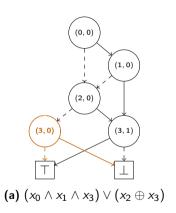
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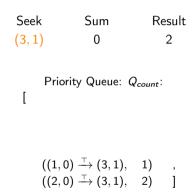


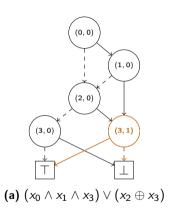


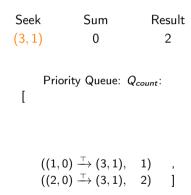


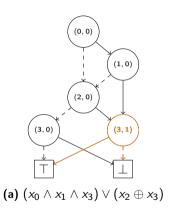


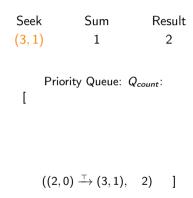


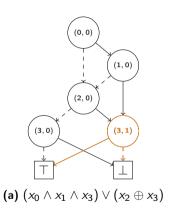


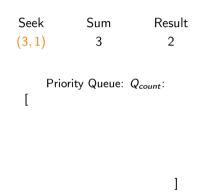


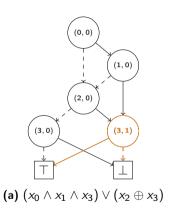


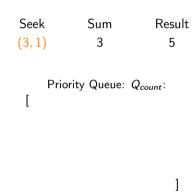














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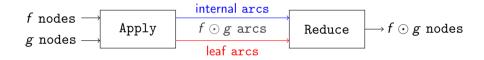
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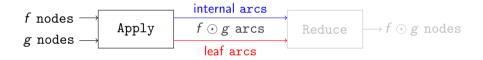
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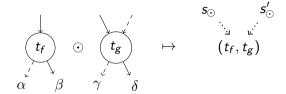
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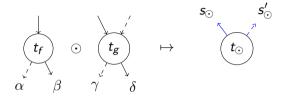
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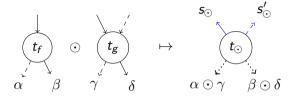
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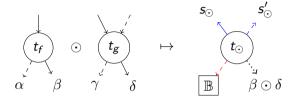
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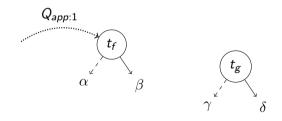
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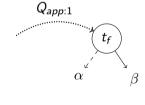
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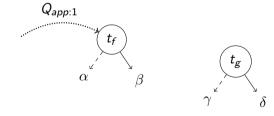




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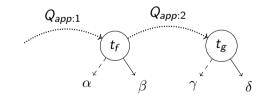
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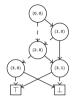
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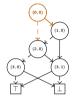


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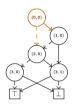


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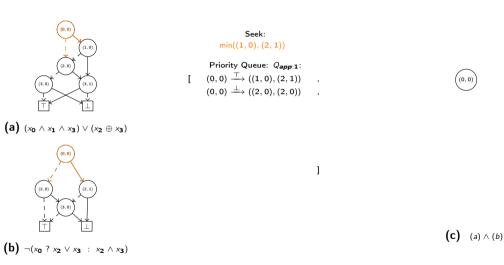
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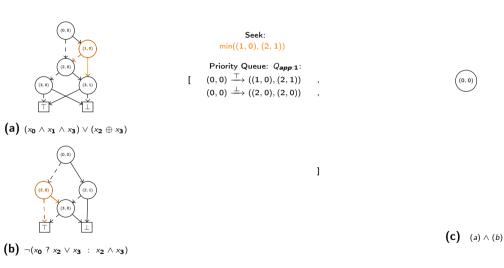


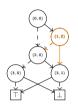
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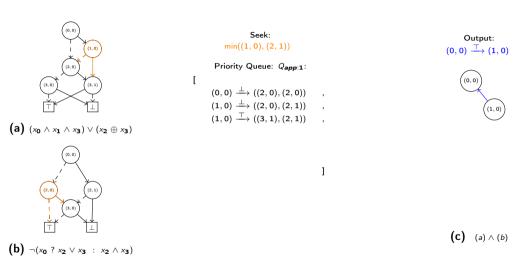
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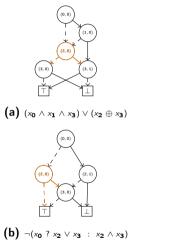
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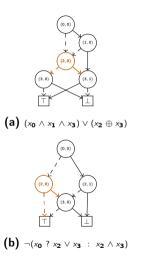
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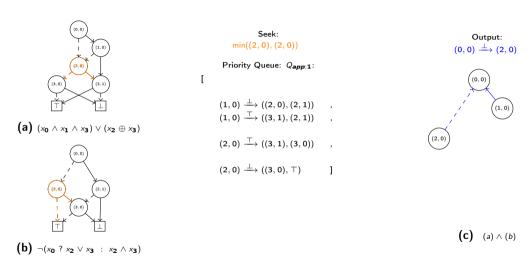
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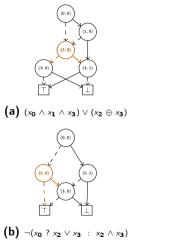
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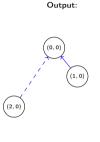
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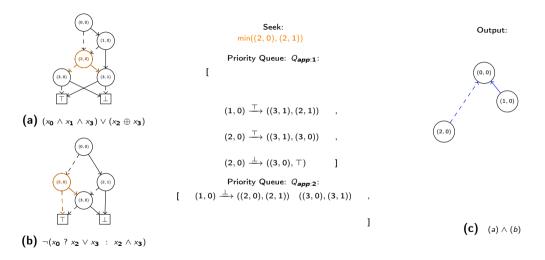


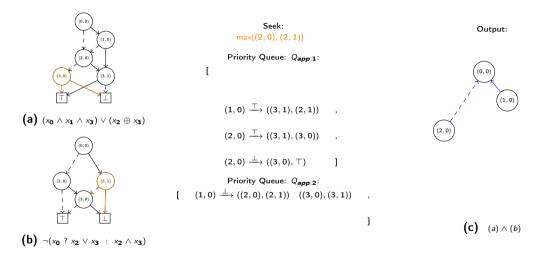


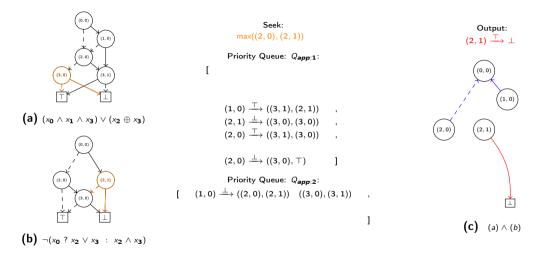
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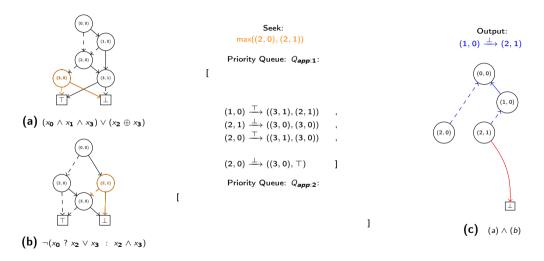


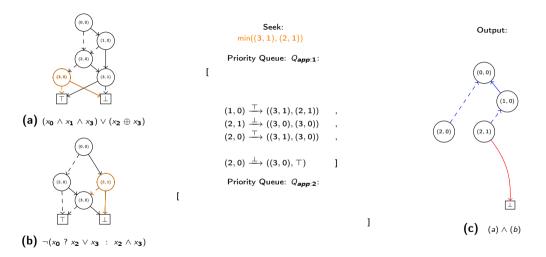
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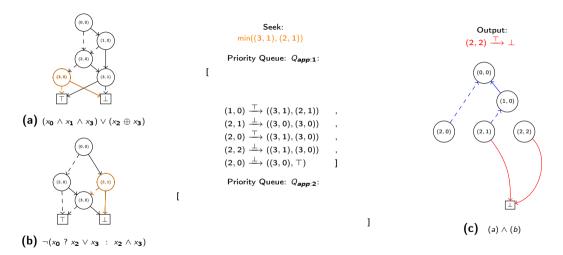


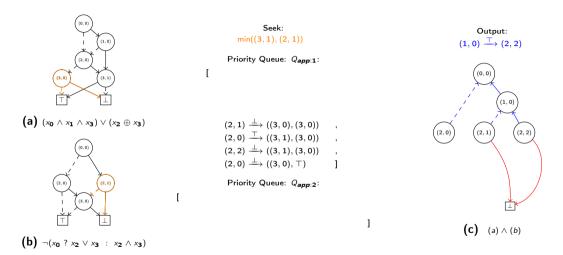


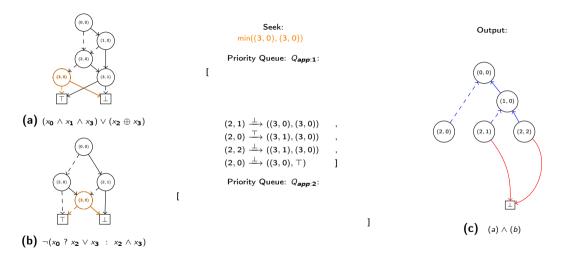


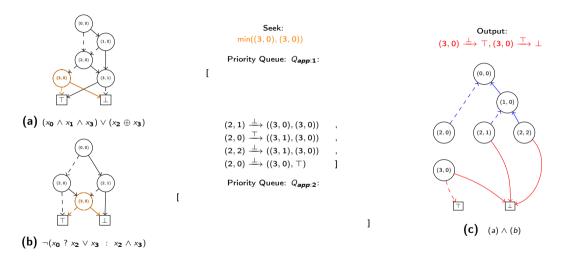


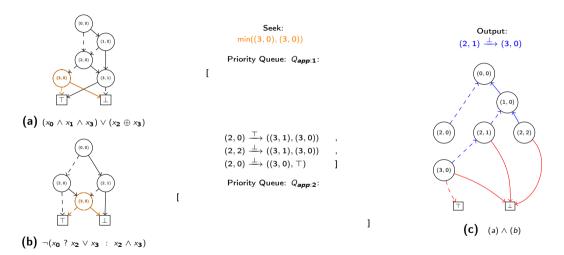


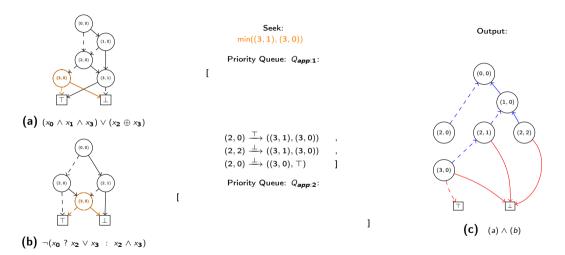


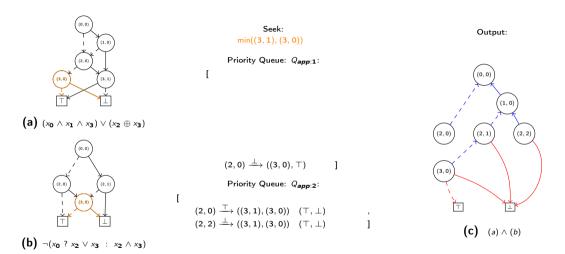


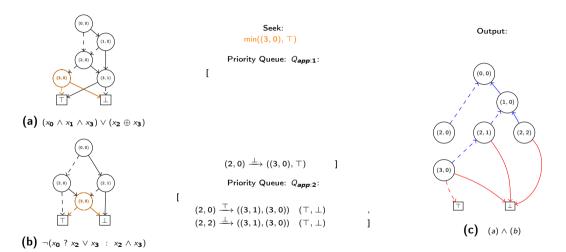


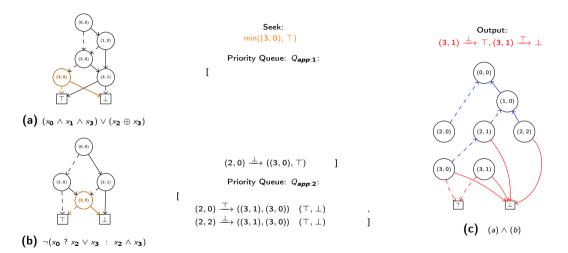


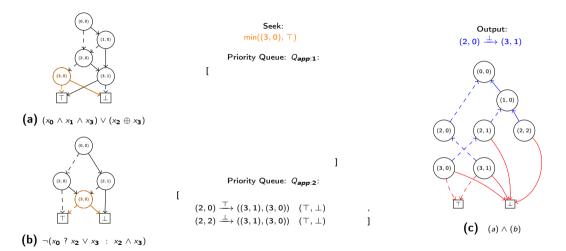


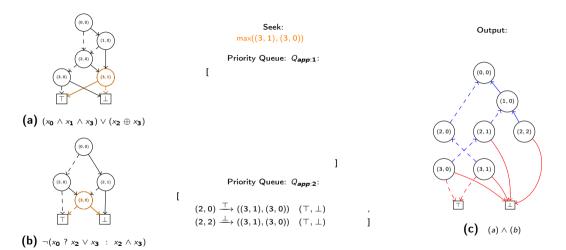




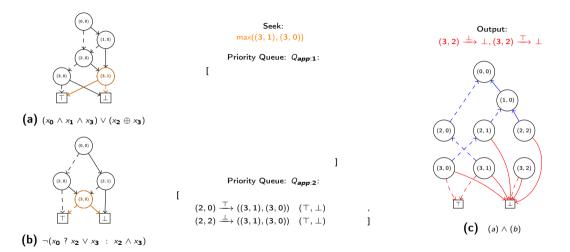




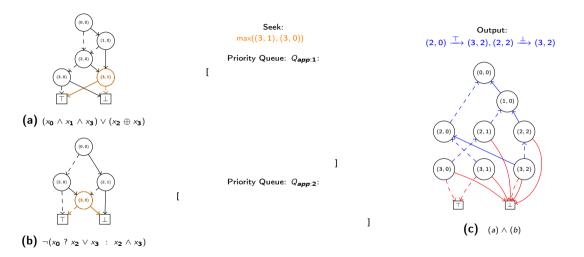




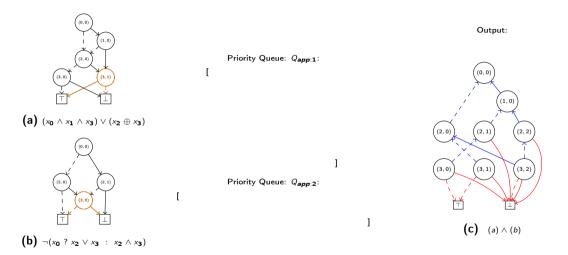
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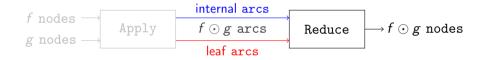
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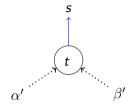


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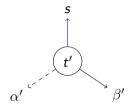
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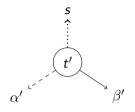


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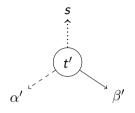


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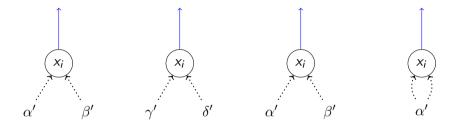


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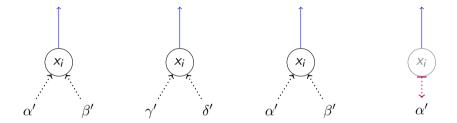
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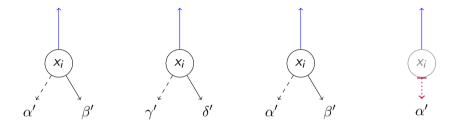
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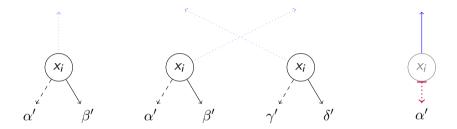
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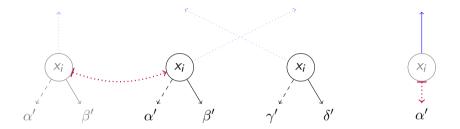


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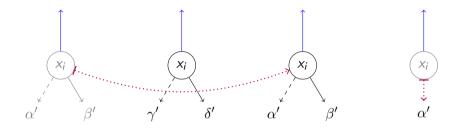
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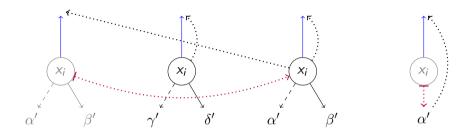
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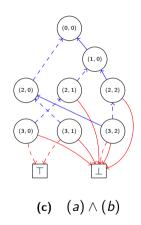
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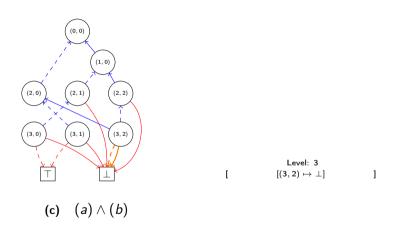


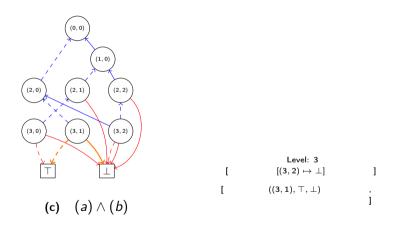
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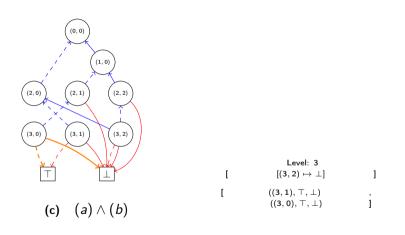


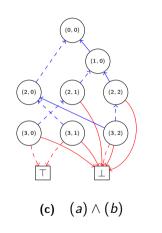
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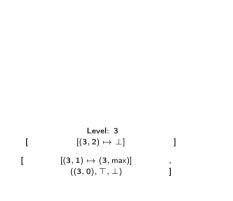




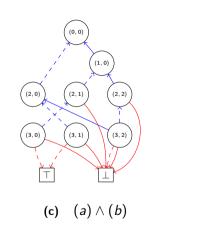


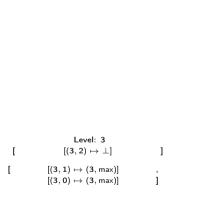


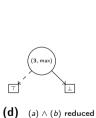


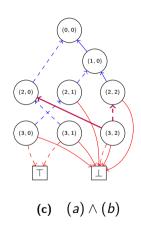


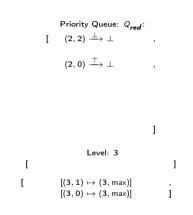






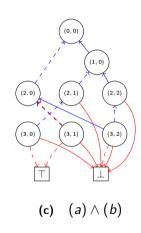


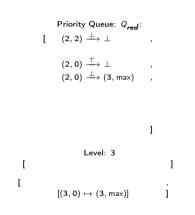


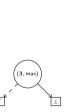




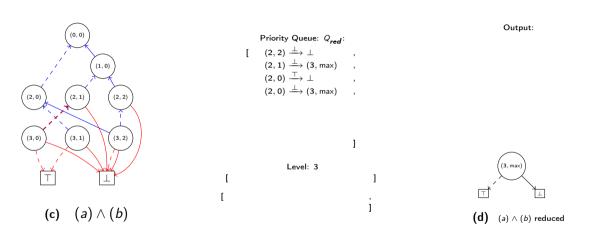


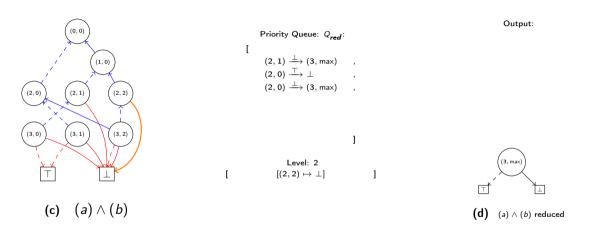


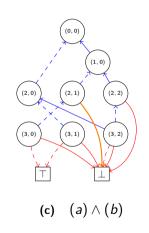


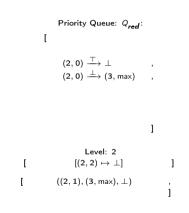


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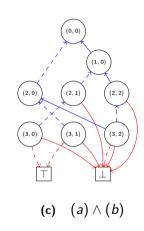


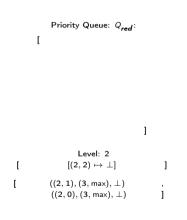




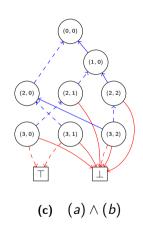


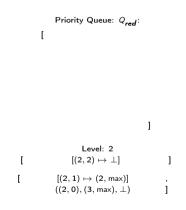


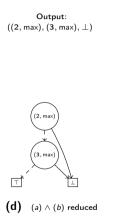


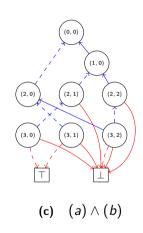


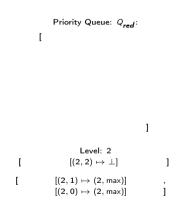


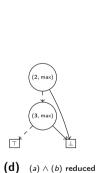


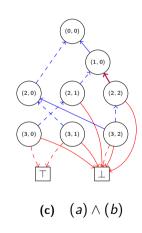


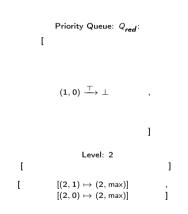


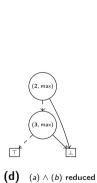


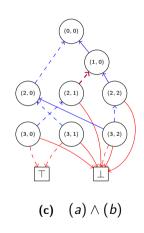


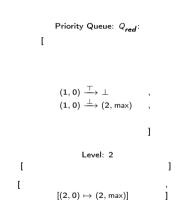


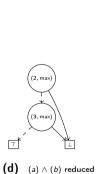


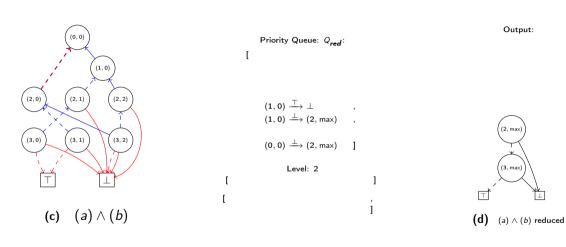


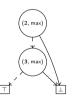


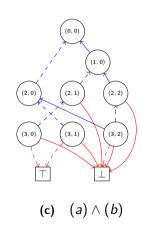


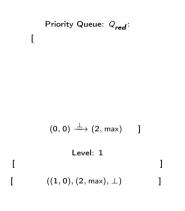


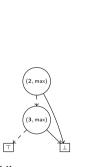


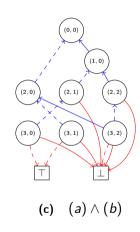


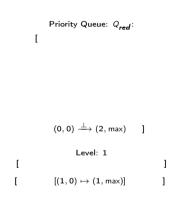


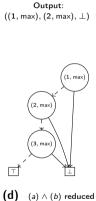


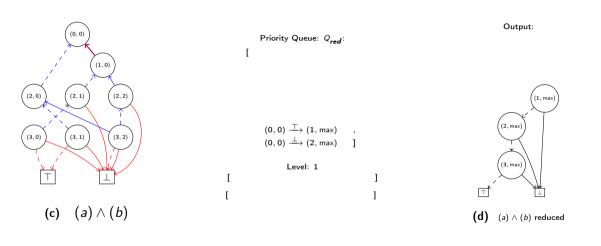


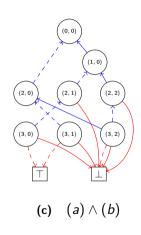


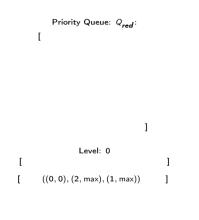


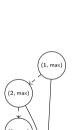




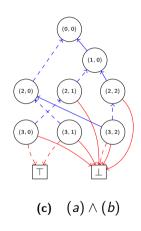


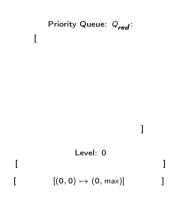


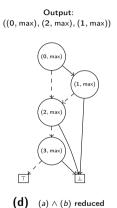




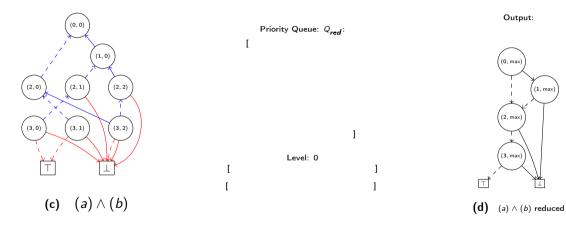
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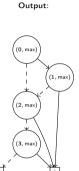




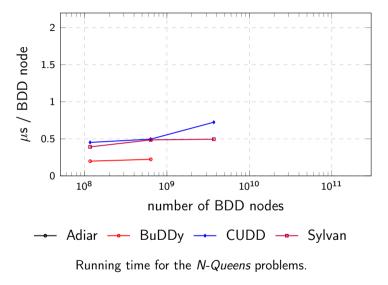


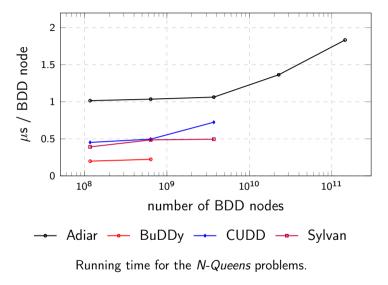
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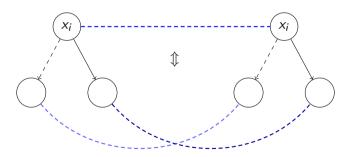
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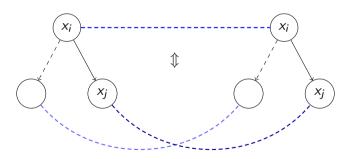
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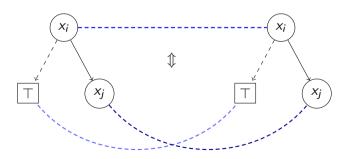
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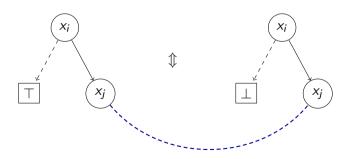
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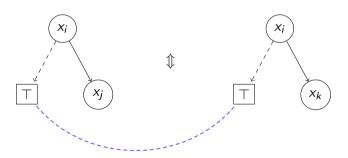
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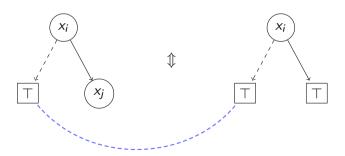
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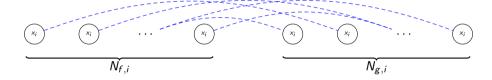
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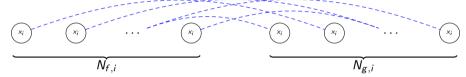
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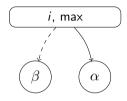
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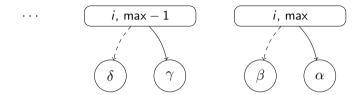
Return false if more than $N_{f,i} = N_{g,i}$ pairs of nodes are checked on level i.

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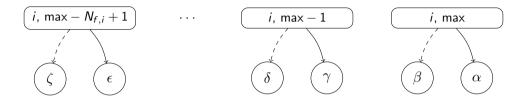
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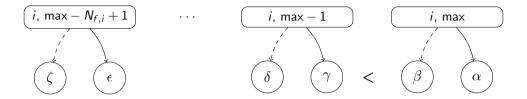
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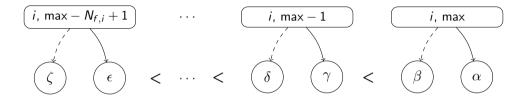
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