

CS 480

Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

January 30, 2024

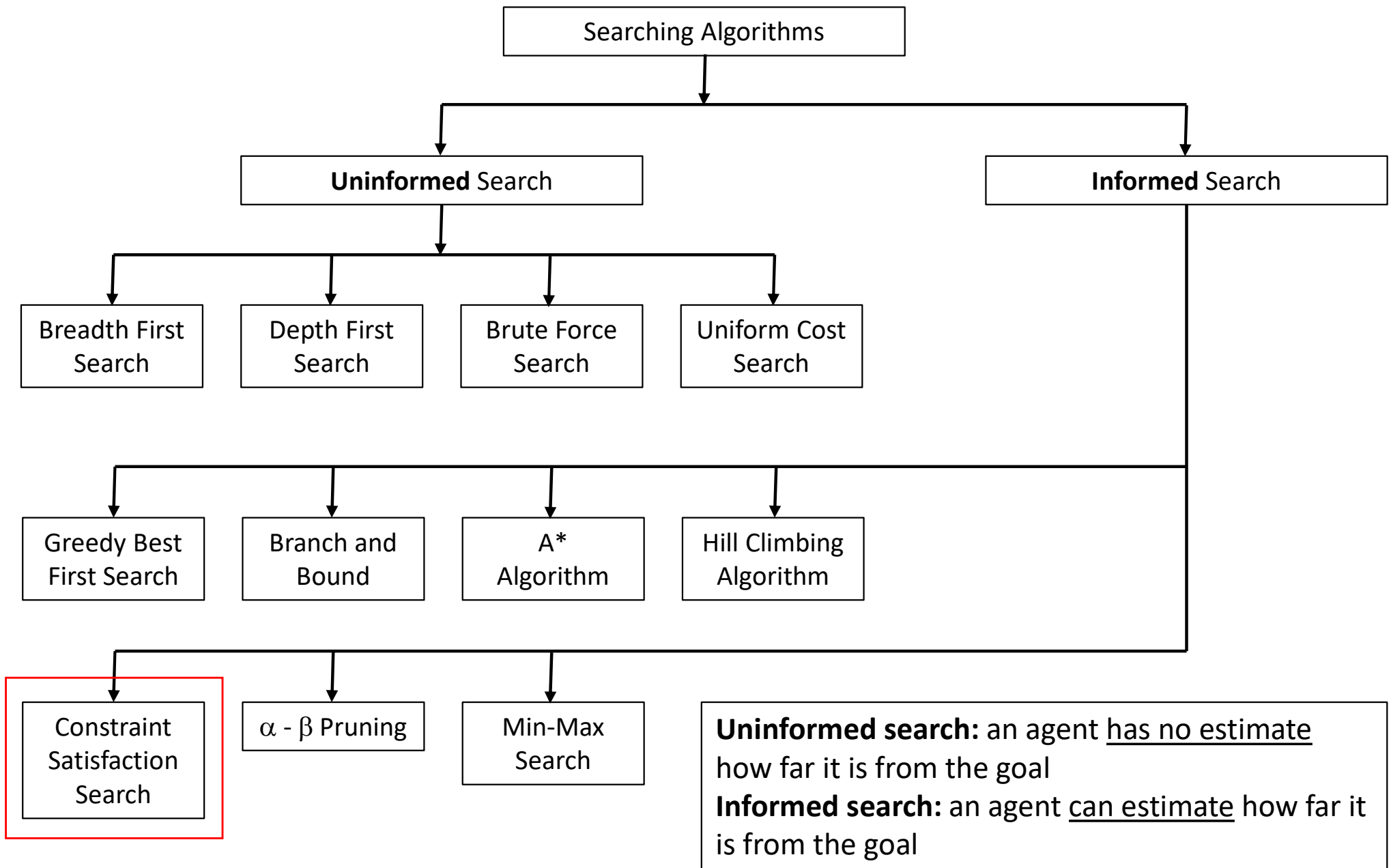
Announcements / Reminders

- Please follow the Week 03 To Do List instructions (if you haven't already):
- Quiz #02: due on Sunday (02/04/24) at 11:59 PM CST
 - New quiz will be posted on Monday!
- Written Assignment #01 due on Tuesday (02/06/24) at 11:59 PM CST
- Programming Assignment #01 due on Sunday (02/18/24) at 11:59 PM CST

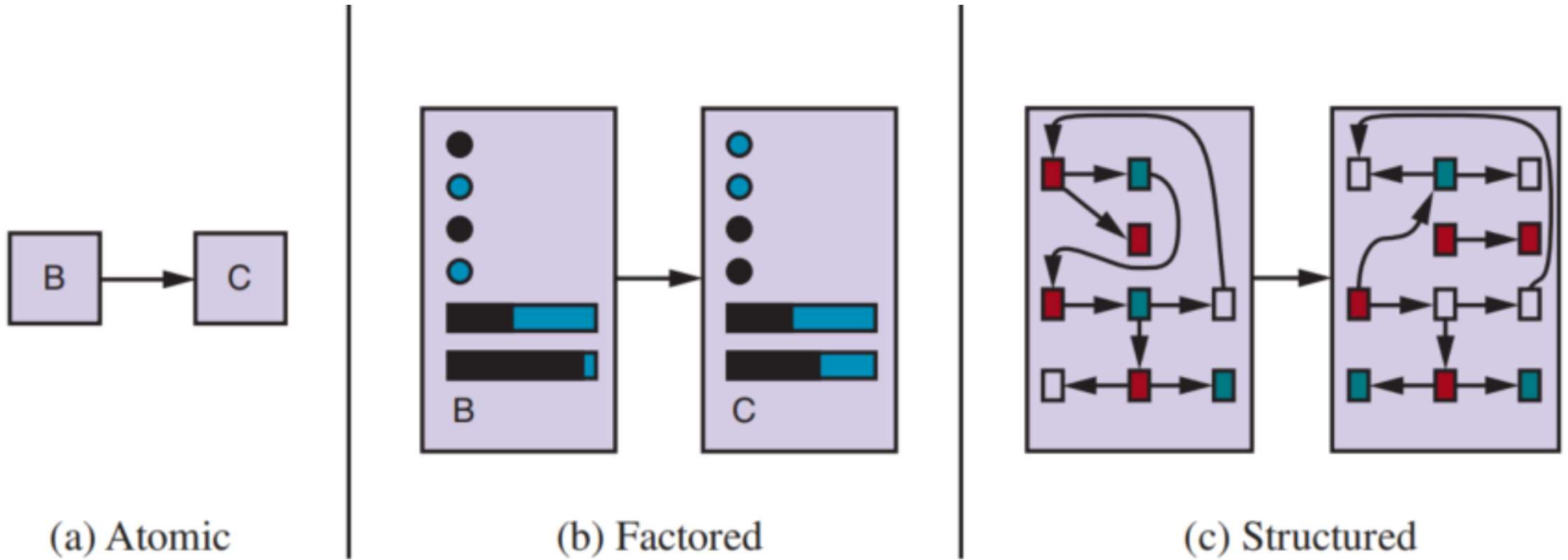
Plan for Today

- **Constraint Satisfaction Problems (CSPs)**

Selected Searching Algorithms



State and Transition Representations



Complexity, level of detail, expresiveness, more difficult to process

Constraint Satisfaction Problem

A Constraint Satisfaction Problem (CSP) consists of three components:

- **a set of variables $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$**
- **a set of domains $D = \{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$**
- **a set of constraints C that specify allowable combinations of values**
- **A domain D_i is a set of allowable values $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ for variable X_i**
- **A constraint C_j is a $\langle \text{scope}, \text{relation} \rangle$ pair, for example $\langle (X_1, X_2), X_1 > X_2 \rangle$**

Constraint Satisfaction Problem

The goal is to **find an assignment** (variable = value):

$$\{X_1 = v_1, \dots, X_n = v_n\}$$

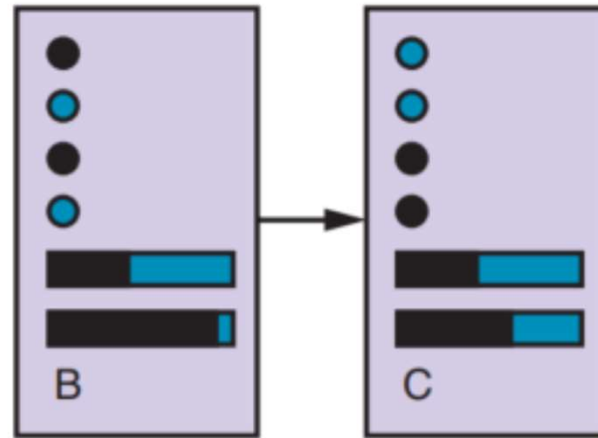
- If NO constraints violated: **consistent** assignment
- If ALL variables have a value: **complete** assignment
- If SOME variables have NO value: **partial** assignment
- SOLUTION: **consistent** and **complete** assignment
- PARTIAL SOLUTION: **consistent** and **partial** assignment

State Representations



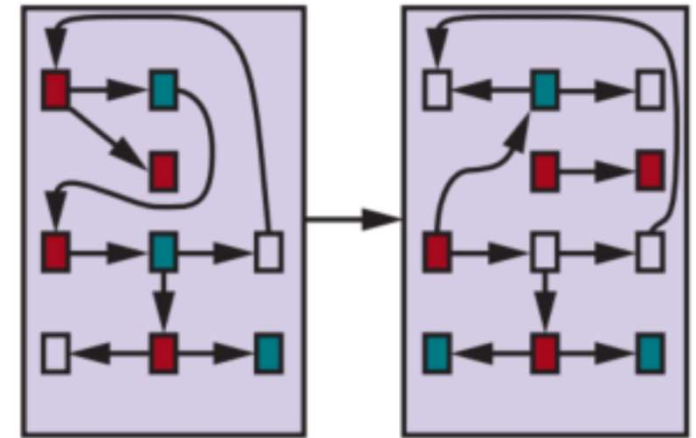
(a) Atomic

- Searching
- Hidden Markov models
- Markov decision process
- Finite state machines



(b) Factored

- Constraint satisfaction algorithms
- Propositional logic
- Planning
- Bayesian algorithms
- Some machine learning algorithms



(c) Structured

- Relational database algorithms
- First-order logic
- First-order probability models
- Natural language understanding (some)

CSP Example: Map Coloring

Problem:



Variables:

$X = \{WA, NT, Q, NSW, V, SA, T\}$

Variable Domains:

$D_{WA} = \{RED, GREEN, BLUE\}$

$D_{NT} = \{RED, GREEN, BLUE\}$

$D_Q = \{RED, GREEN, BLUE\}$

$D_{NSW} = \{RED, GREEN, BLUE\}$

$D_V = \{RED, GREEN, BLUE\}$

$D_{SA} = \{RED, GREEN, BLUE\}$

$D_T = \{RED, GREEN, BLUE\}$

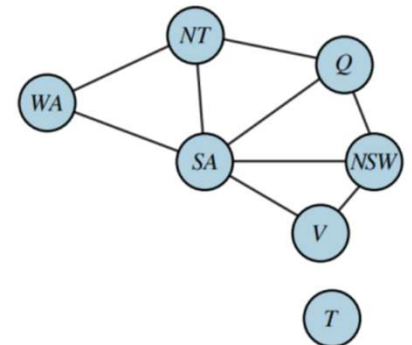
Color this map in a way that no two neighbors have same color

Constraints (Rules):

- Neighboring regions have to have DISTINCT colors:

$CONSTRAINTS = C = \{SA \neq WA, SA \neq NT, SA \neq Q, SA \neq NSW, SA \neq V, WA \neq NT, NT \neq Q, Q \neq NSW, NSW \neq V\}$

Constraint Graph:



CSP Example: Sudoku (3x3 for now)

Problem:

$x_{1,1}$	$x_{1,2}$	$x_{1,3}$
$x_{2,1}$	$x_{2,2}$	$x_{2,3}$
$x_{3,1}$	$x_{3,2}$	$x_{3,3}$

Variables:

$X = \{x_{1,1}, x_{1,2}, x_{1,3}, x_{2,1}, x_{2,2}, x_{2,3}, x_{3,1}, x_{3,2}, x_{3,3}\}$

Variable Domains:

$D_{x_{1,1}} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$
 $D_{x_{1,2}} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$
 $D_{x_{1,3}} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$
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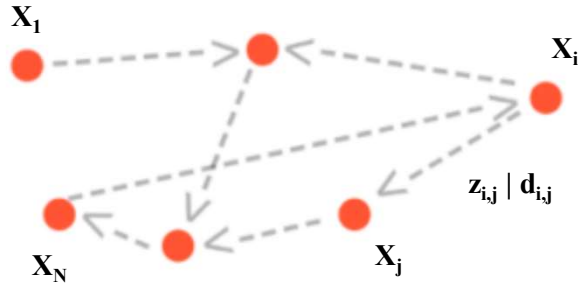
Constraints (Rules):

- Each value $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ can appear EXACTLY once:

$CONSTRAINTS = C = \{x_{1,1} \neq x_{1,2}, x_{1,1} \neq x_{1,3}, x_{1,1} \neq x_{2,1}, x_{1,1} \neq x_{2,2}, x_{1,1} \neq x_{2,3}, x_{1,2} \neq x_{1,3}, x_{1,2} \neq x_{2,1}, x_{1,2} \neq x_{2,2}, x_{1,2} \neq x_{2,3}, x_{1,2} \neq x_{3,1}, x_{1,2} \neq x_{3,2}, x_{1,3} \neq x_{2,1}, x_{1,3} \neq x_{2,2}, x_{1,3} \neq x_{2,3}, x_{1,3} \neq x_{3,1}, x_{1,3} \neq x_{3,2}, x_{1,3} \neq x_{3,3}, x_{2,1} \neq x_{2,2}, x_{2,1} \neq x_{2,3}, x_{2,1} \neq x_{3,1}, x_{2,1} \neq x_{3,2}, x_{2,1} \neq x_{3,3}, x_{2,2} \neq x_{2,3}, x_{2,2} \neq x_{3,1}, x_{2,2} \neq x_{3,2}, x_{2,2} \neq x_{3,3}, x_{2,3} \neq x_{3,1}, x_{2,3} \neq x_{3,2}, x_{2,3} \neq x_{3,3}, x_{3,1} \neq x_{3,2}, x_{3,1} \neq x_{3,3}, x_{3,2} \neq x_{3,3}\}$

CSP Example: Traveling Salesman

Problem:



Variables:

$$Z = \{z_{1,2}, z_{1,3}, \dots, z_{N-1,N}\}$$
$$D = \{d_{1,2}, d_{1,3}, \dots, d_{N-1,N}\}$$

Variable Domains:

$$D_{z_{i,j}} = \{\text{traveled}, \text{notTraveled}\}$$

or better:

$$D_{z_{i,j}} = \{1, 0\}$$

$$D_{d_{i,j}} = \mathbb{R}_+$$

There are:

- N cities (vertices)
- $N(N-1)$ links (edges)
- Each link has some positive cost d
- Total path (tour) cost is $COST$

Constraints (Rules):

- Exit each city EXACTLY once:

$$\sum_{j=1}^N z_{i,j} = 1$$

- Enter each city EXACTLY once:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N z_{i,j} = 1$$

- Cost of tour is at most C :

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N z_{i,j} d_{i,j} \leq COST$$

CSP: Variable Types

- Domains can be:
 - finite, for example: $\{1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 20\}$ (simpler)
 - infinite, for example: a set of all integers
- Variables can be:
 - discrete, for example: $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ (simpler)
 - continuous, for example: R_+
- Constraints can be:
 - unary (involve single variable), for example: $X_1 = 5$
 - binary (involve two variables), for example: $X_1 = X_2$
 - higher order (involve > 2 variables), for example: $X_1 = X_2 * X_3$
- Soft constraints (preferences: green over blue) possible

CSP as a Search Problem

CSP is a variant of a search problem you already know. The problem can be restated / updated with:

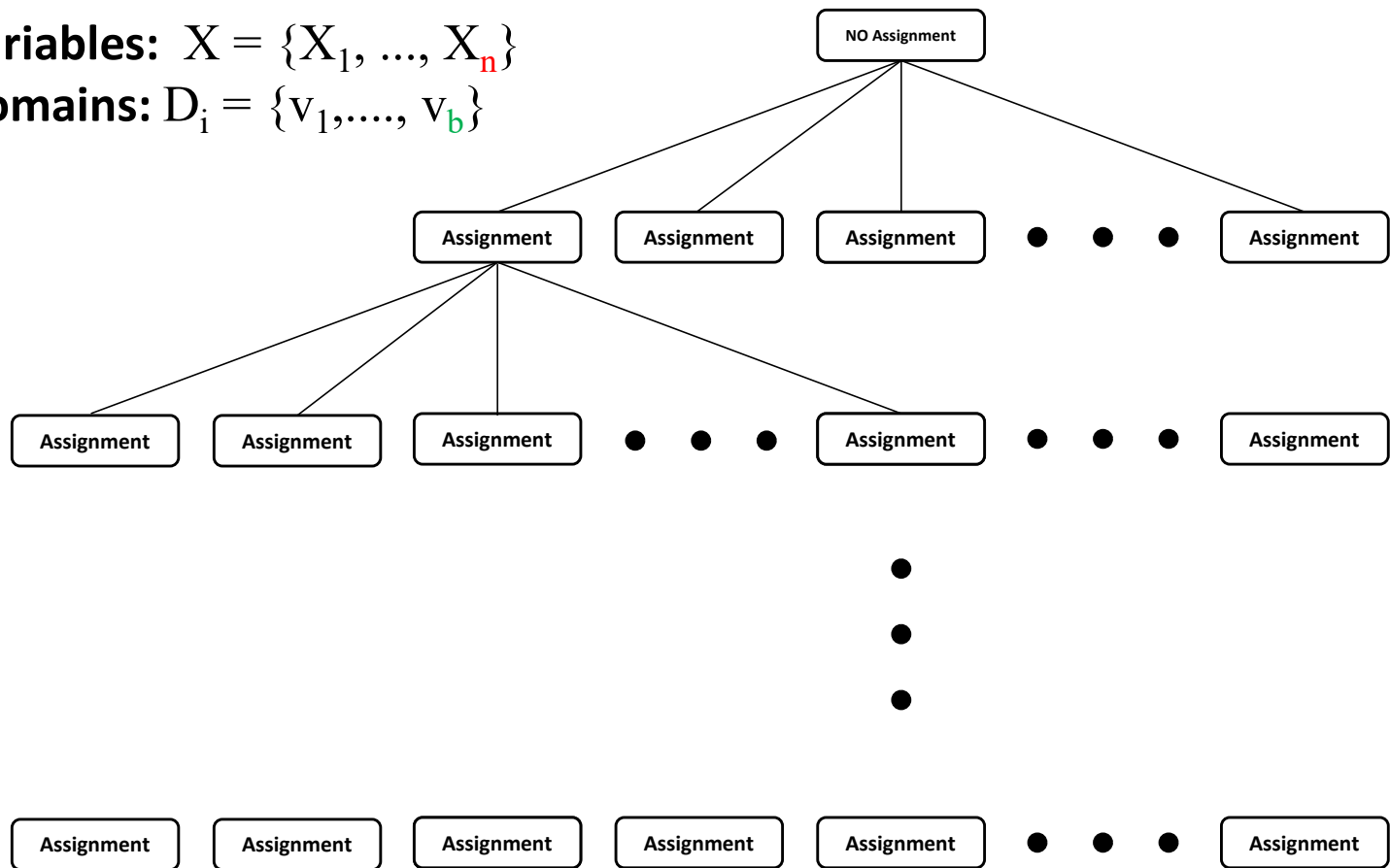
- **Initial state:** the empty assignment $\{ \}$, in which all variables are unassigned.
- **Successor function:** a value can be assigned to any unassigned variable, provided that it does not conflict with previously assigned variables.
- **Goal test:** the current assignment is complete.
- **Path cost:** a constant cost (e.g., 1) for every step.

CSP Search Tree: Idea

CSP Problem:

Variables: $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$

Domains: $D_i = \{v_1, \dots, v_b\}$



0 variable
assigned

1 variables
assigned

2 variables
assigned

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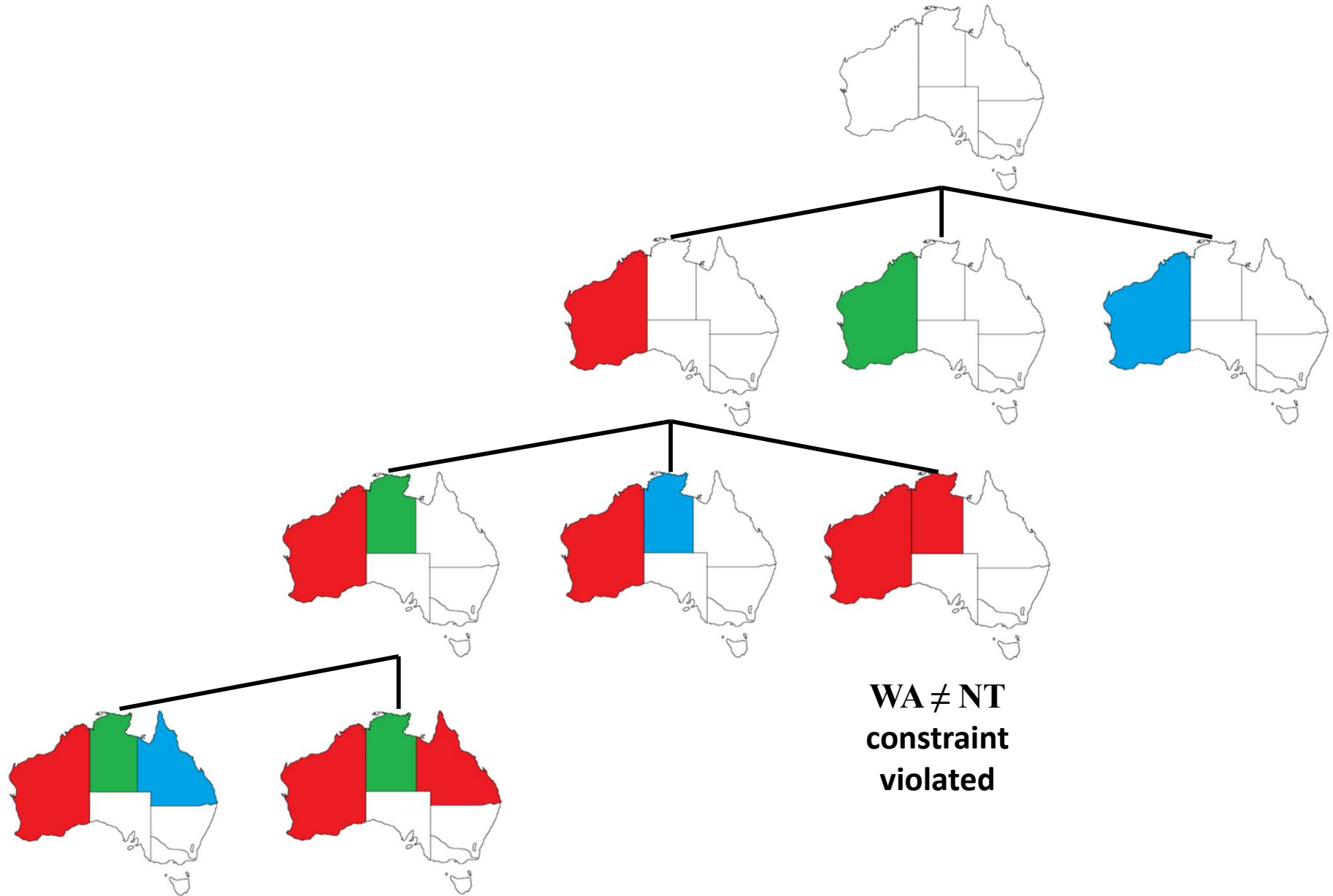
ALL (n) variables
assigned

Tree leaves are COMPLETE assignments

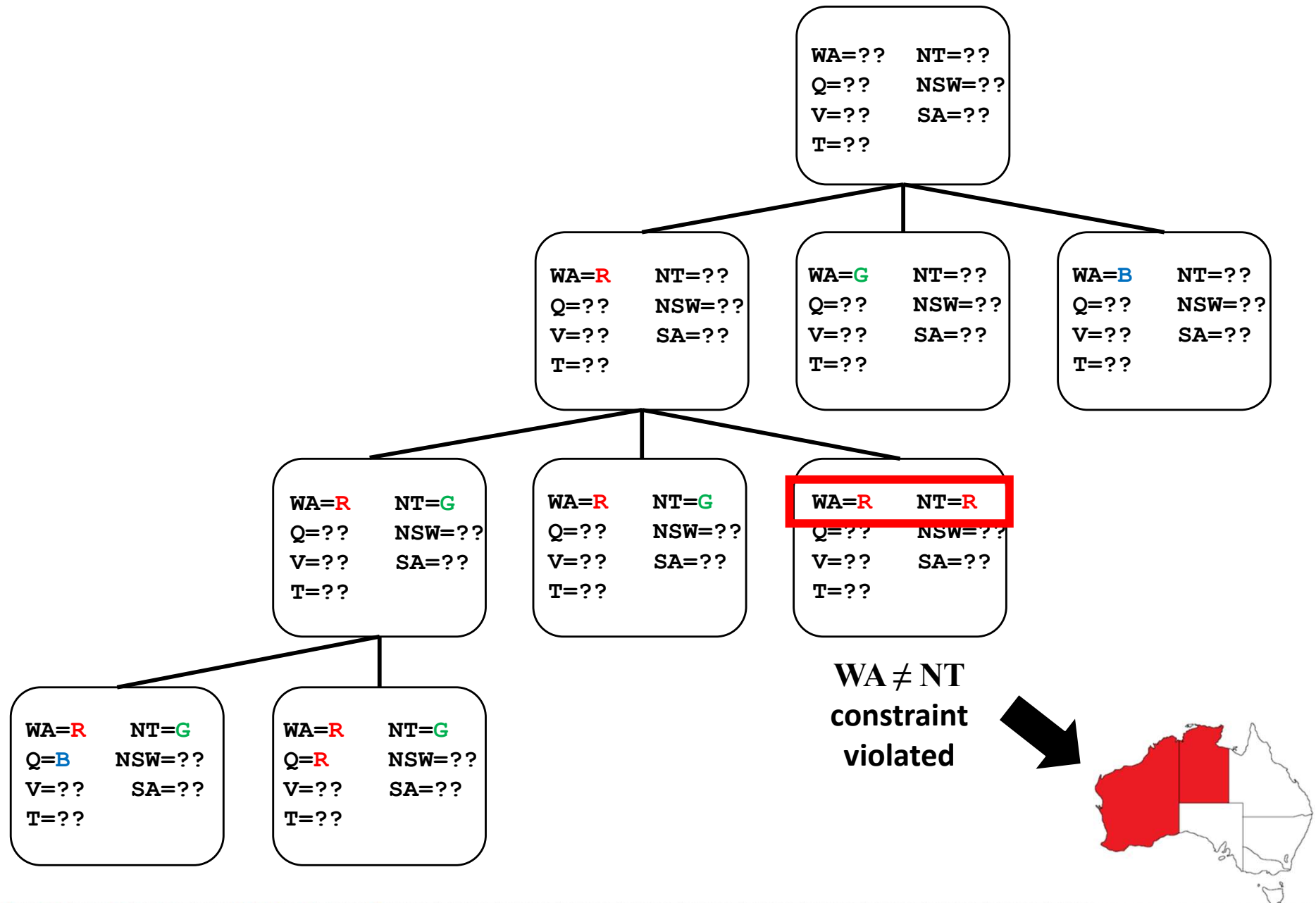
The sequence of variable assignments does NOT matter*

*(when you disregard performance)

CSP as a Tree Search Problem



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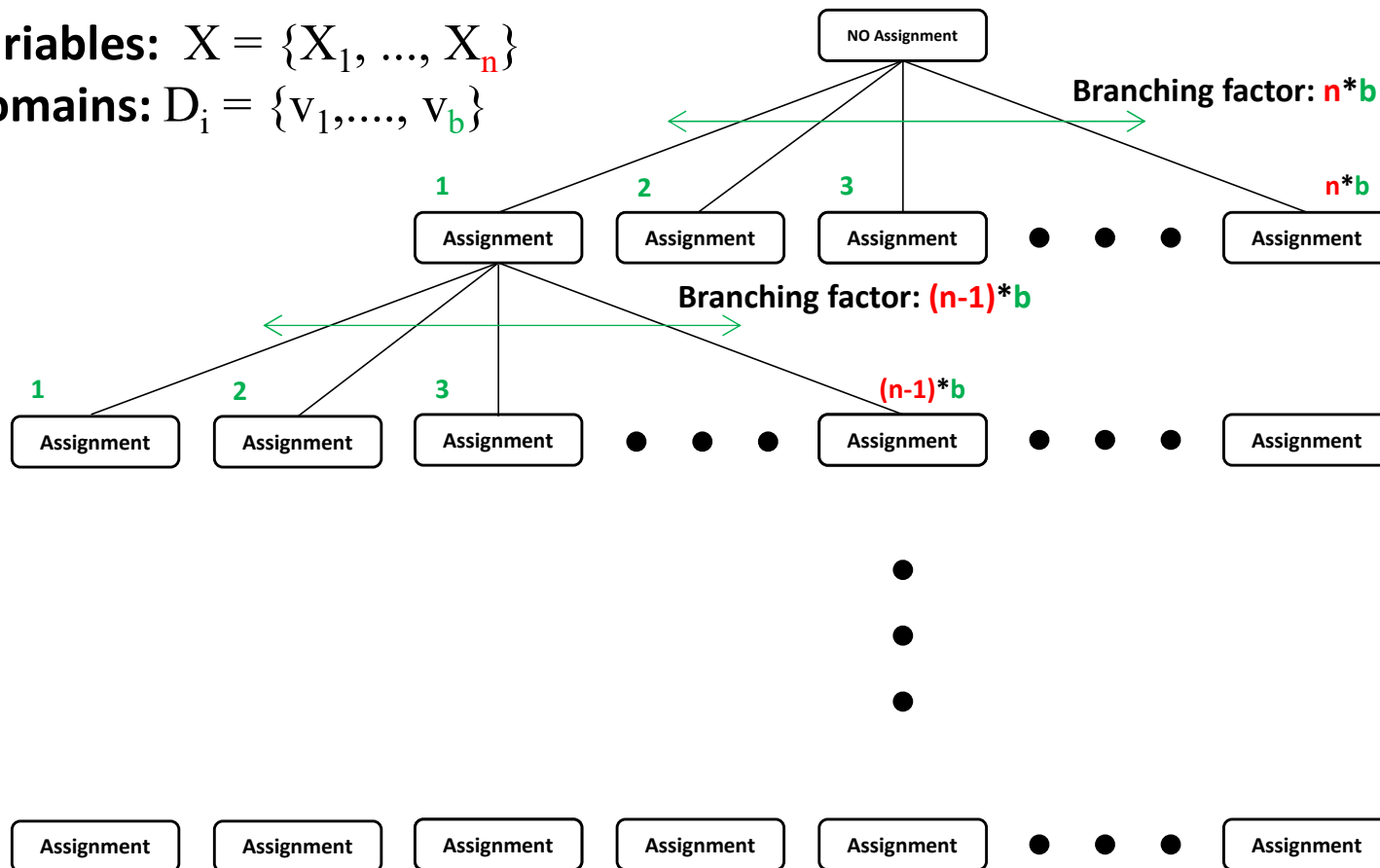


CSP Search Tree: Size

CSP Problem:

Variables: $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$

Domains: $D_i = \{v_1, \dots, v_b\}$



$$N_0 = 0$$

$$N_1 = n * b$$

$$N_2 = n * b * (n-1) * b = n * (n-1) * b^2$$

$$N_n = n! * b^n$$

Total number of leafnodes / states: $n! * b^n$

(ignores COMMUTATIVITY of CSP assignments:

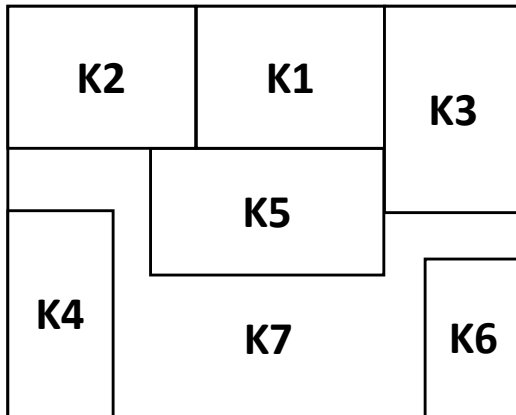
assigning $X_1 = m$ and then $X_2 = n$ SAME as assigning $X_2 = n$ and then $X_1 = m$)

In reality: there is only b^n complete assignments

Can We Do Better?

CSP Example: Map Coloring

Problem:



Color this map in a way that no two neighbors have same color

Variables:

$X = \{K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7\}$

Variable Domains:

$D_{K1} = \{\text{RED}, \text{BLUE}, \text{GREEN}\}$

$D_{K2} = \{\text{RED}, \text{BLUE}, \text{GREEN}\}$

$D_{K3} = \{\text{RED}, \text{BLUE}, \text{GREEN}\}$

$D_{K4} = \{\text{RED}, \text{BLUE}, \text{GREEN}\}$

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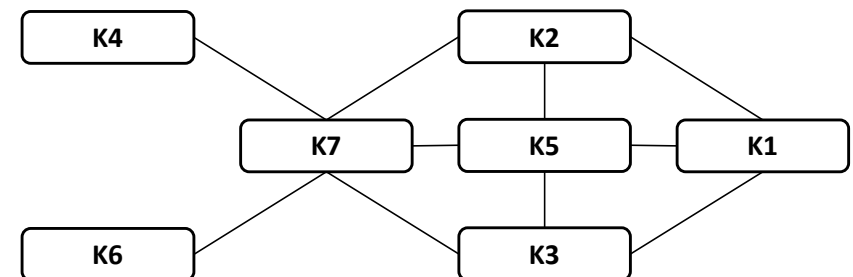
$D_{K7} = \{\text{RED}, \text{BLUE}, \text{GREEN}\}$

Constraints (Rules):

- Neighboring regions have to have DISTINCT colors:

$\text{CONSTRAINTS} = C = \{K1 \neq K2, K1 \neq K3, K1 \neq K5, K2 \neq K5, K2 \neq K7, K3 \neq K5, K3 \neq K7, K4 \neq K7, K5 \neq K7, K6 \neq K7\}$

Constraint Graph:



CSP Backtracking: Pseudocode

function BACKTRACKING-SEARCH(*csp*) **returns** a solution or *failure*
 return BACKTRACK(*csp*, { })

function BACKTRACK(*csp*, *assignment*) **returns** a solution or *failure*
 if *assignment* is complete **then return** *assignment*
 var \leftarrow SELECT-UNASSIGNED-VARIABLE(*csp*, *assignment*)
 for each *value* **in** ORDER-DOMAIN-VALUES(*csp*, *var*, *assignment*) **do**
 if *value* is consistent with *assignment* **then**
 add {*var* = *value*} to *assignment*
 inferences \leftarrow INFERENCE(*csp*, *var*, *assignment*)
 if *inferences* \neq *failure* **then**
 add *inferences* to *csp*
 result \leftarrow BACKTRACK(*csp*, *assignment*)
 if *result* \neq *failure* **then return** *result*
 remove *inferences* from *csp*
 remove {*var* = *value*} from *assignment*
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RECURSION



Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: ???

K3: ???

K4: ???

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???

**Initial (NO
assignment) state
not shown**

K2	K1	K3
	K5	
K4	K7	K6

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **RED**

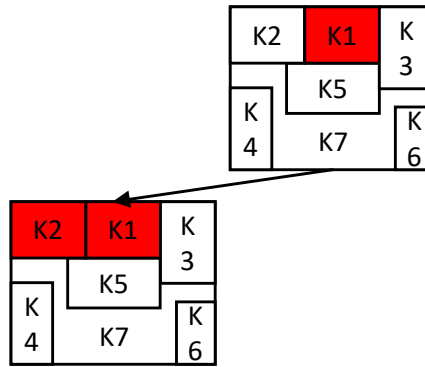
K3: ???

K4: ???

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???



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Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **RED**

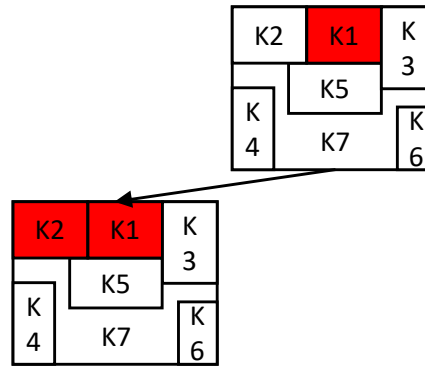
K3: ???

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K6: ???

K7: ???



Violates:
Rule 1

Constraints:

Rule 1: K1 ≠ K2

Rule 2: K1 ≠ K3

Rule 3: K1 ≠ K5

Rule 4: K2 ≠ K5

Rule 5: K2 ≠ K7

Rule 6: K3 ≠ K5

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Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: ???

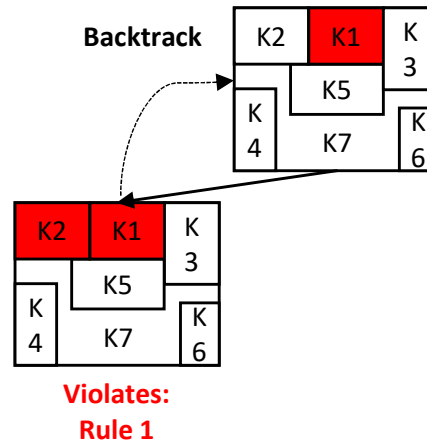
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K4: ???

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???



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Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

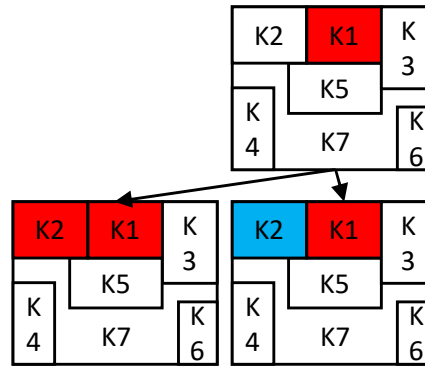
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K5: ???

K6: ???

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Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

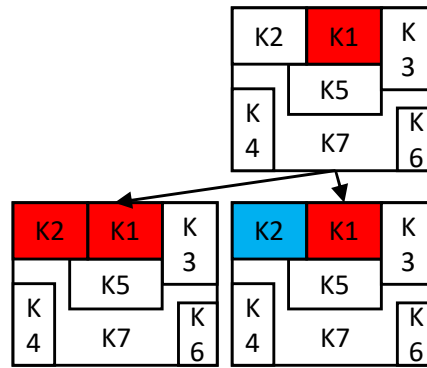
K3: ???

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K6: ???

K7: ???



**CONSISTENT
PARTIAL
Assignment**

Constraints:

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Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

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Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

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Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

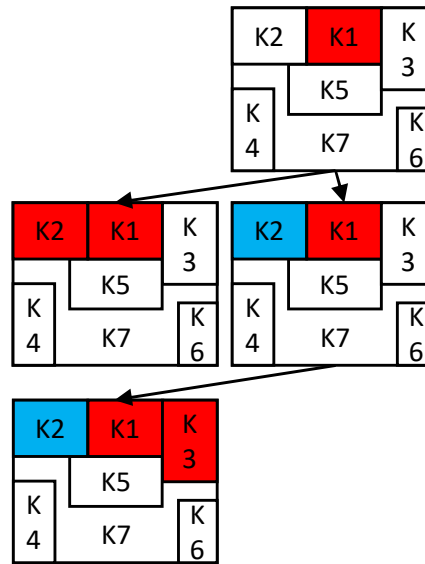
K3: **RED**

K4: ???

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???



Violates:
Rule 2

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

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Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

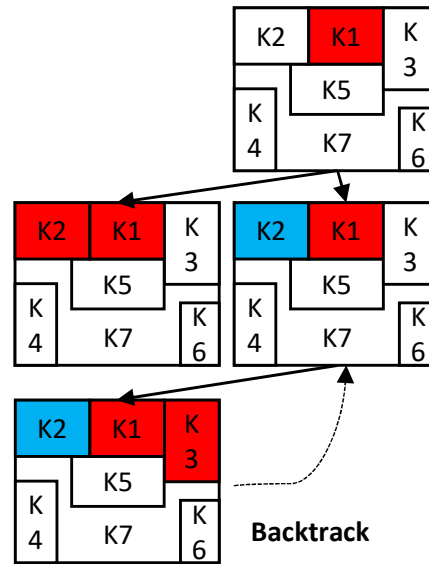
K3: ???

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K7: ???



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Assignment:

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K2: **BLUE**

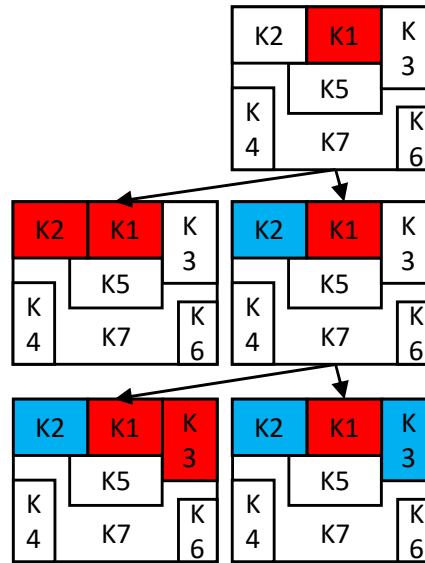
K3: **BLUE**

K4: ???

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???



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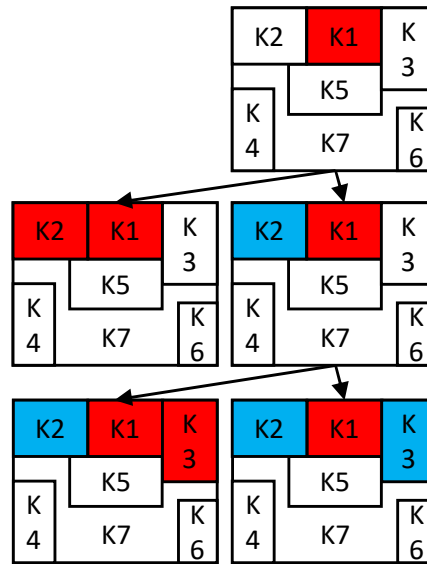
K3: **BLUE**

K4: ???

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???



**CONSISTENT
PARTIAL
Assignment**

Constraints:

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Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

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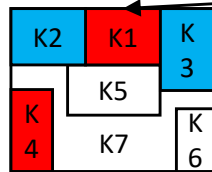
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

- K1: RED**
- K2: BLUE**
- K3: BLUE**
- K4: RED**
- K5: ???**
- K6: ???**
- K7: ???**

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**CONSISTENT
PARTIAL
Assignment**

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- Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$**
- Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$**
- Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$**

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | **Value assignment order:** RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

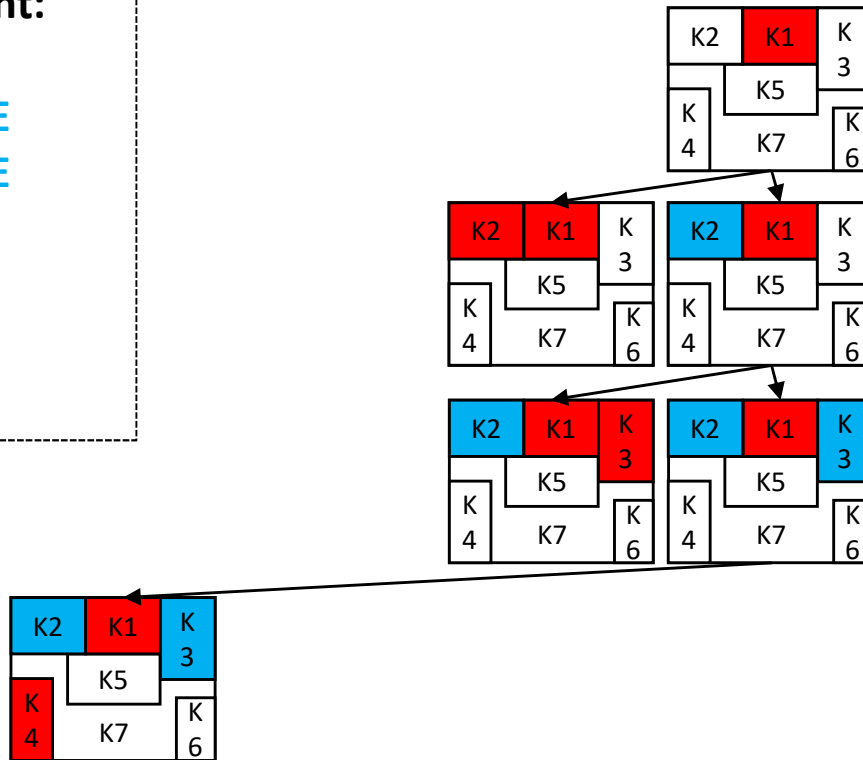
K3: **BLUE**

K4: **RED**

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

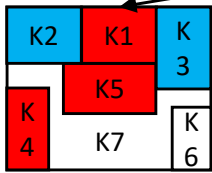
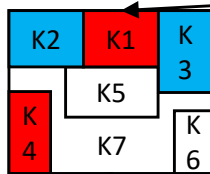
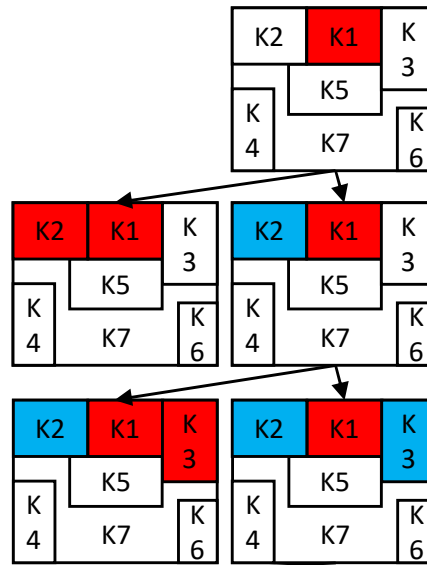
K3: **BLUE**

K4: **RED**

K5: **RED**

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

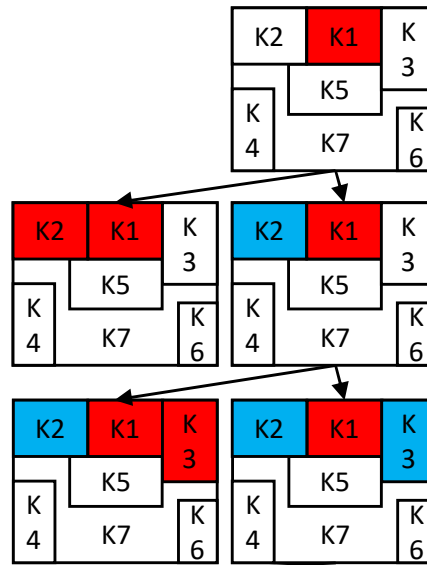
K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: RED

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: K1 \neq K2

Rule 2: K1 \neq K3

Rule 3: K1 \neq K5

Rule 4: K2 \neq K5

Rule 5: K2 \neq K7

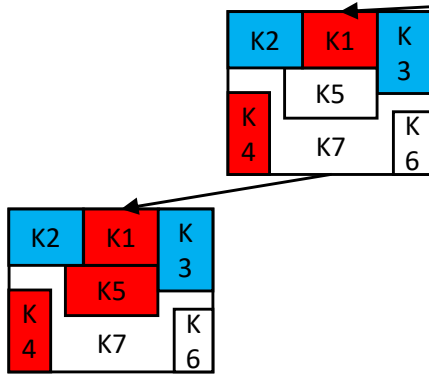
Rule 6: K3 \neq K5

Rule 7: K3 \neq K7

Rule 8: K4 \neq K7

Rule 9: K5 \neq K7

Rule 10: K6 \neq K7



Violates:
Rule 3

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

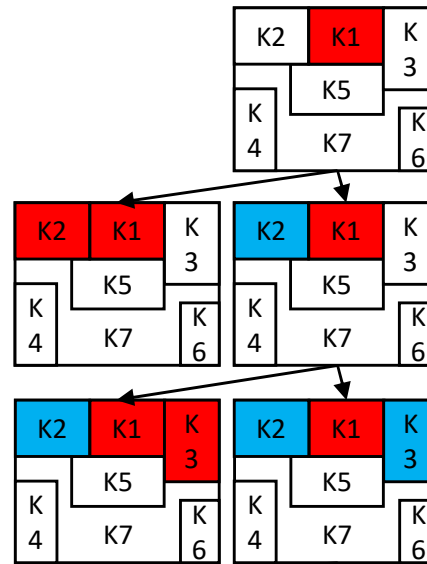
K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

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Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

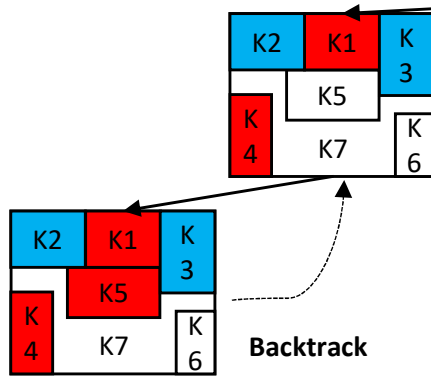
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Violates:
Rule 3

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

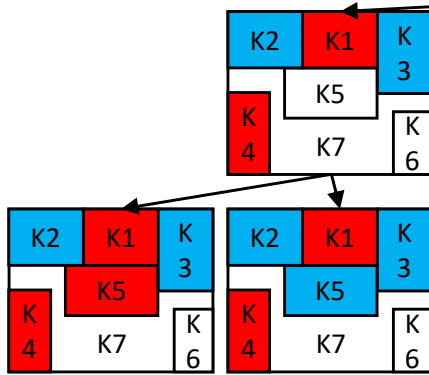
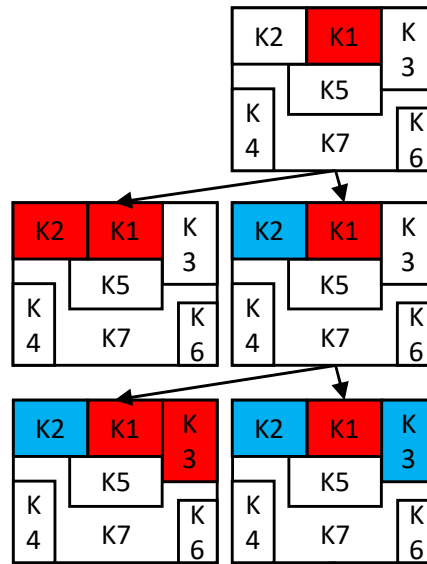
K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: BLUE

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

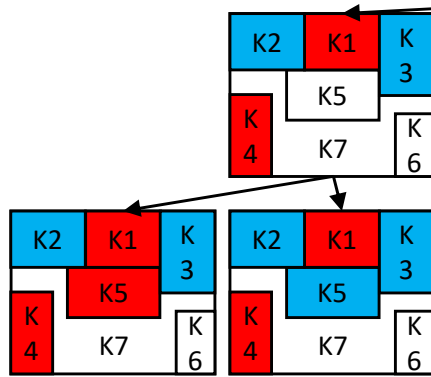
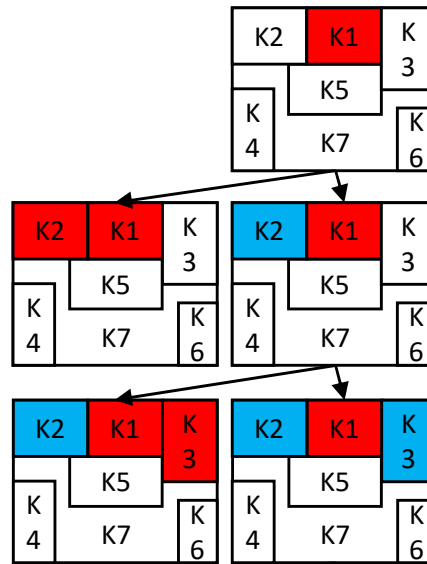
K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: BLUE

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

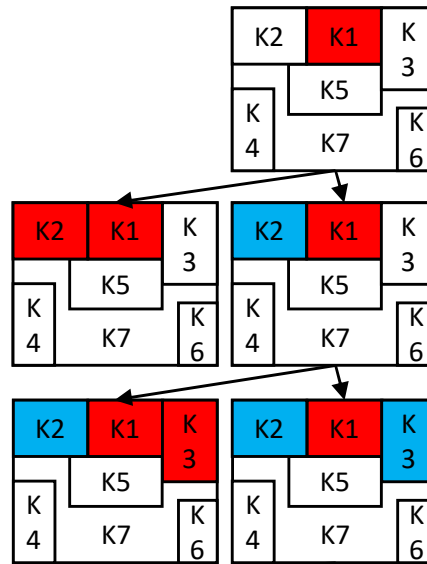
K3: **BLUE**

K4: **RED**

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

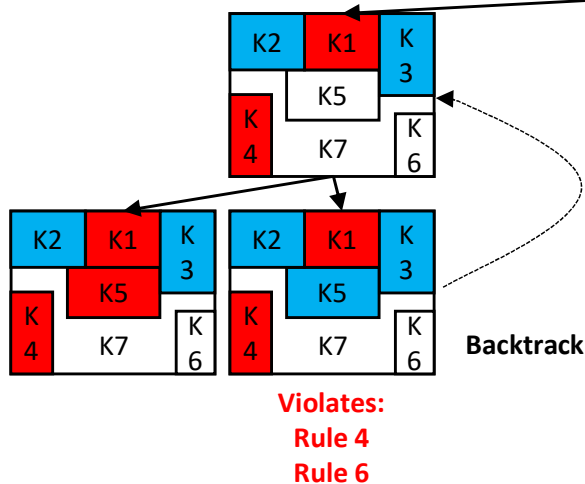
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

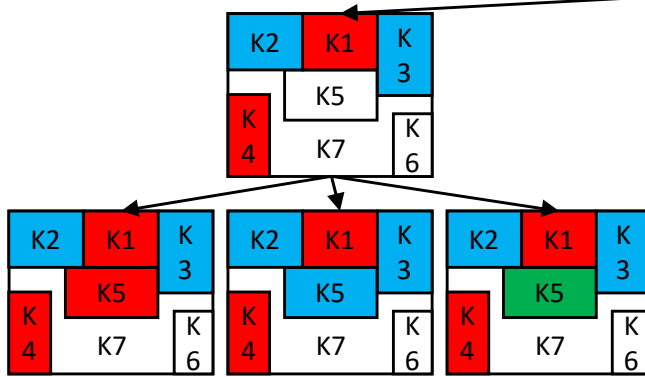
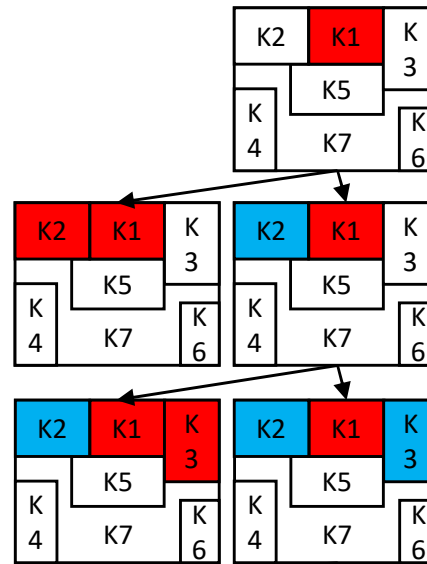
K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: GREEN

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: K1 ≠ K2

Rule 2: K1 ≠ K3

Rule 3: K1 ≠ K5

Rule 4: K2 ≠ K5

Rule 5: K2 ≠ K7

Rule 6: K3 ≠ K5

Rule 7: K3 ≠ K7

Rule 8: K4 ≠ K7

Rule 9: K5 ≠ K7

Rule 10: K6 ≠ K7

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

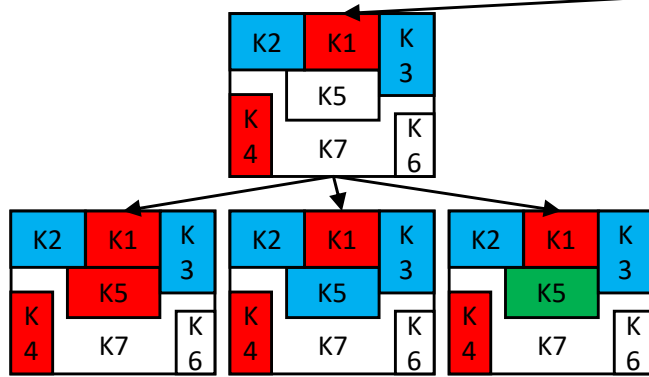
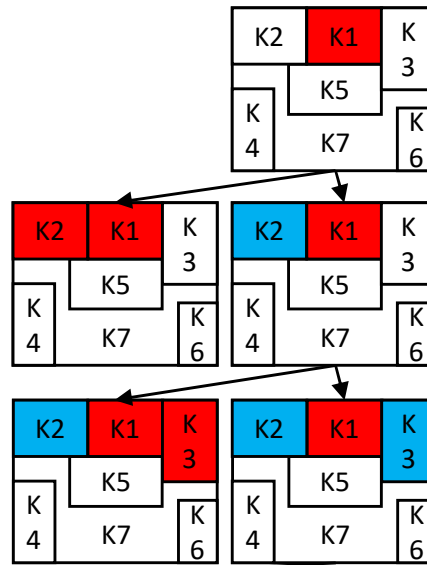
K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: GREEN

K6: ???

K7: ???



CONSISTENT
PARTIAL
Assignment

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

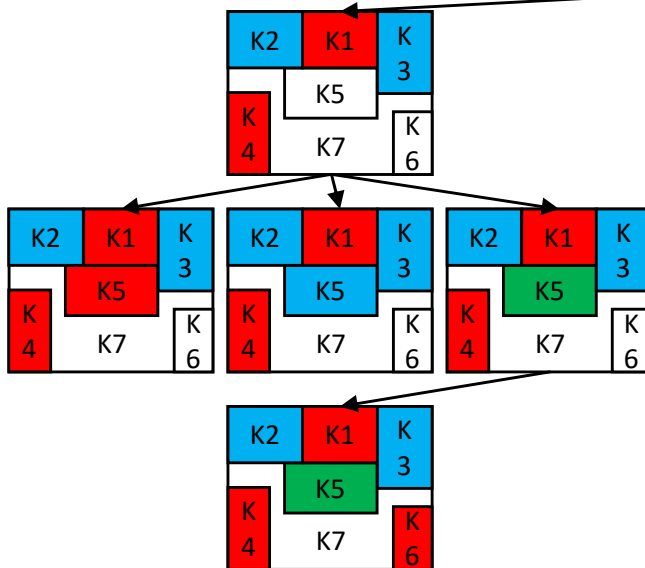
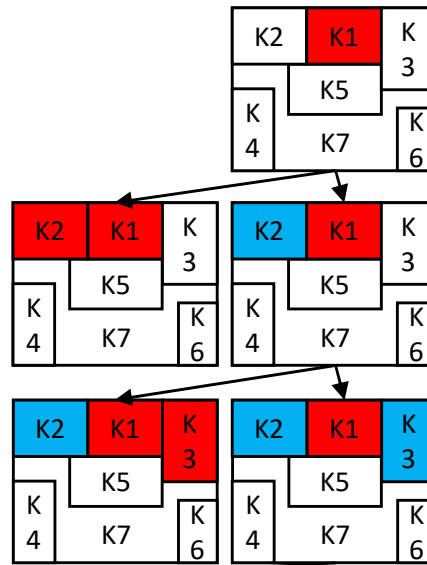
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: ???



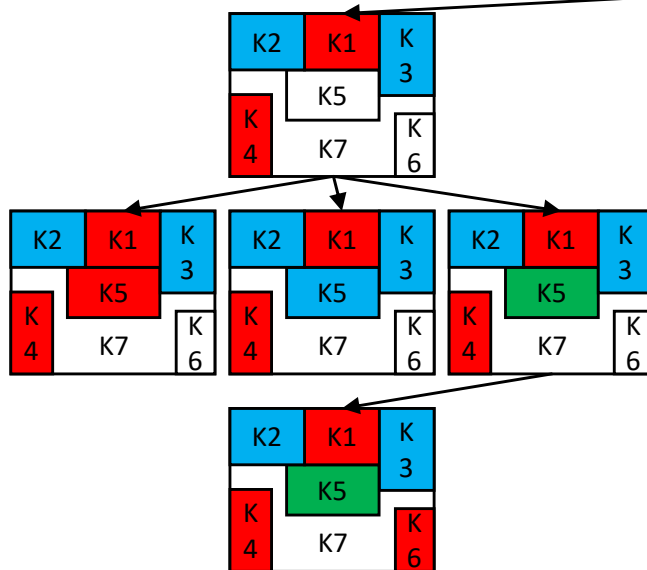
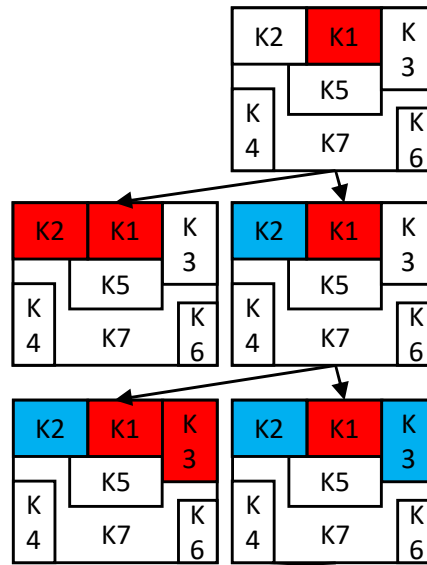
Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: ???



CONSISTENT
PARTIAL
Assignment

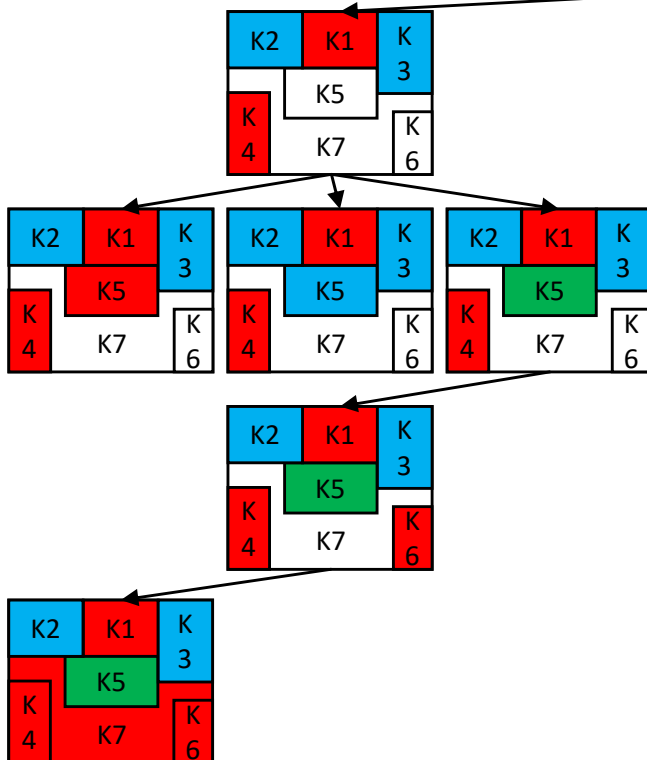
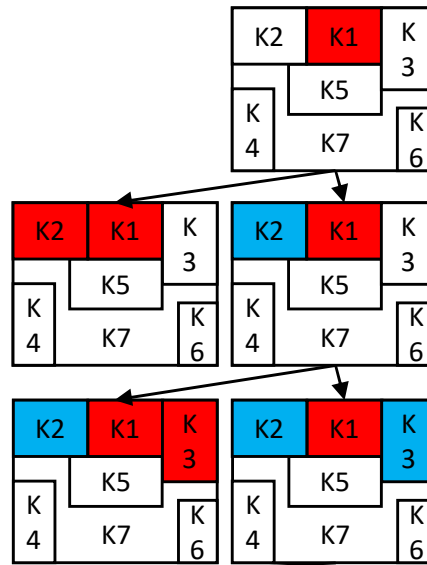
Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: RED



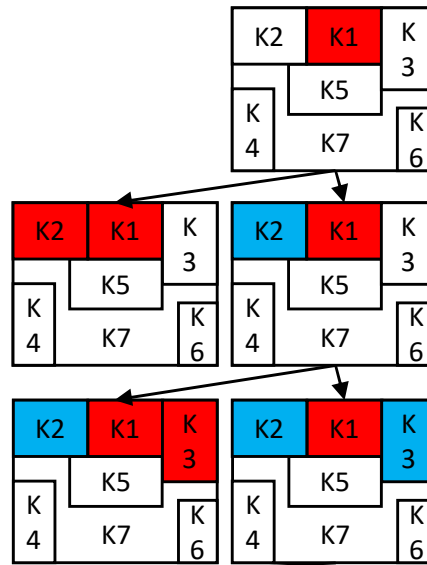
Constraints:

Rule 1: K1 \neq K2
Rule 2: K1 \neq K3
Rule 3: K1 \neq K5
Rule 4: K2 \neq K5
Rule 5: K2 \neq K7
Rule 6: K3 \neq K5
Rule 7: K3 \neq K7
Rule 8: K4 \neq K7
Rule 9: K5 \neq K7
Rule 10: K6 \neq K7

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

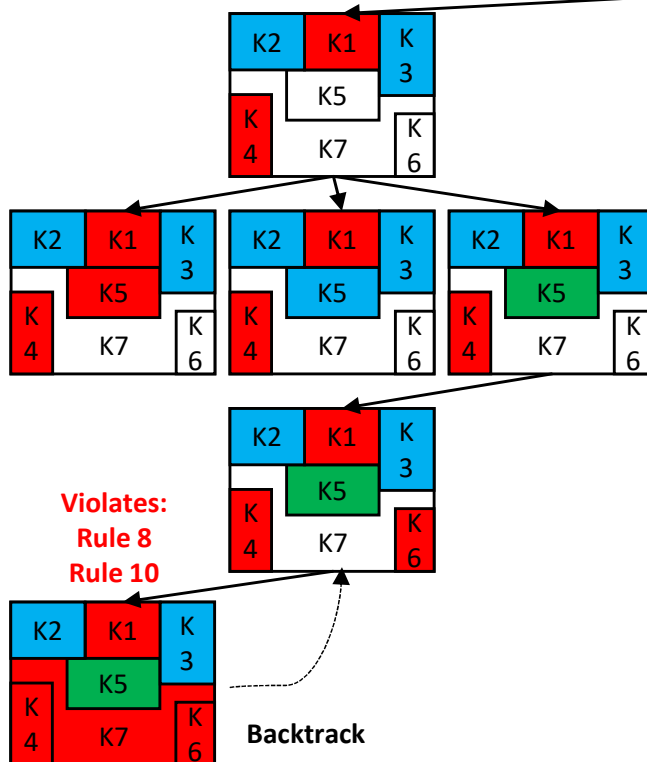
Assignment:

K1: **RED**
K2: **BLUE**
K3: **BLUE**
K4: **RED**
K5: **GREEN**
K6: **RED**
K7: ???



Constraints:

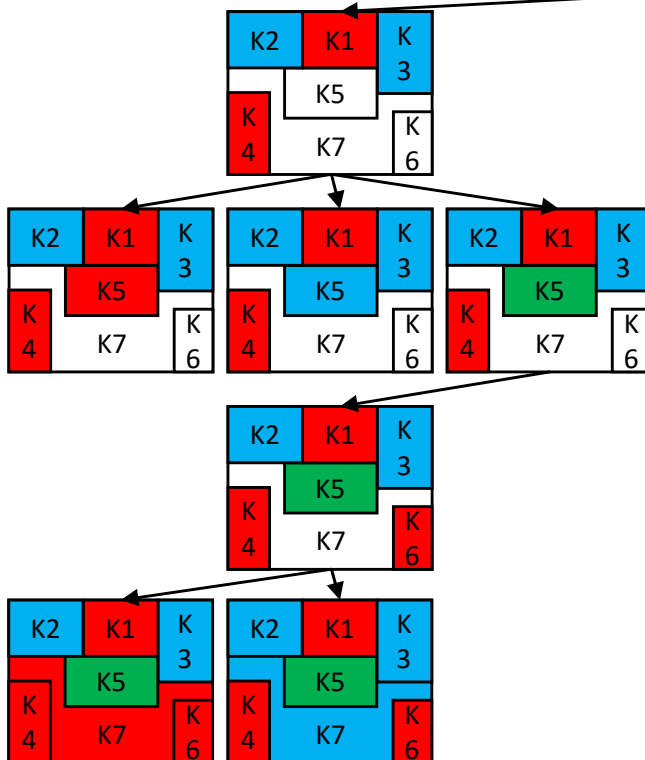
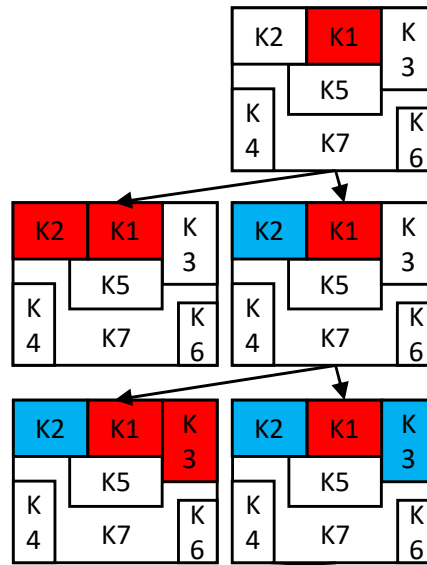
Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: BLUE



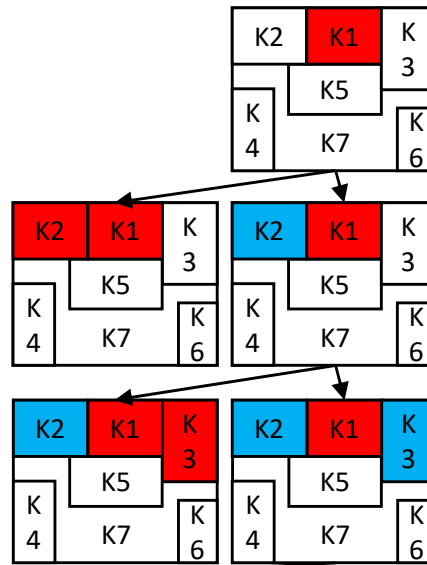
Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

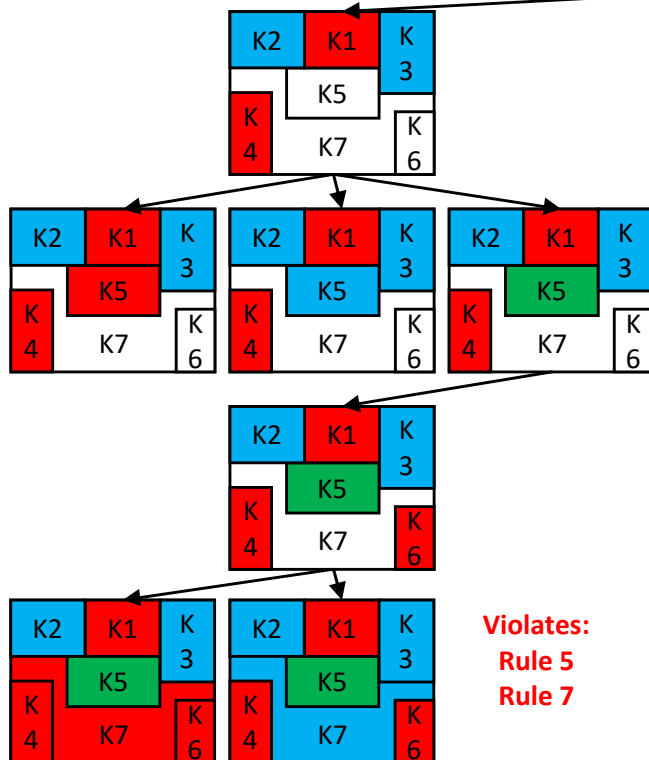
Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: BLUE



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

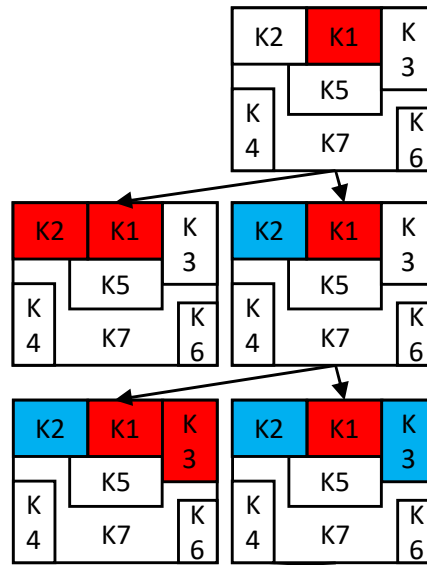


Violates:
Rule 5
Rule 7

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

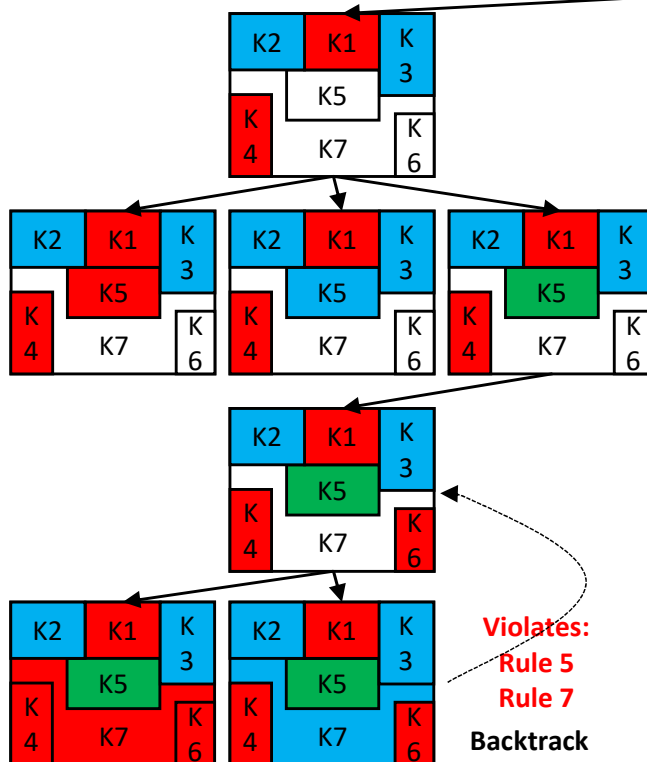
Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: ???



Constraints:

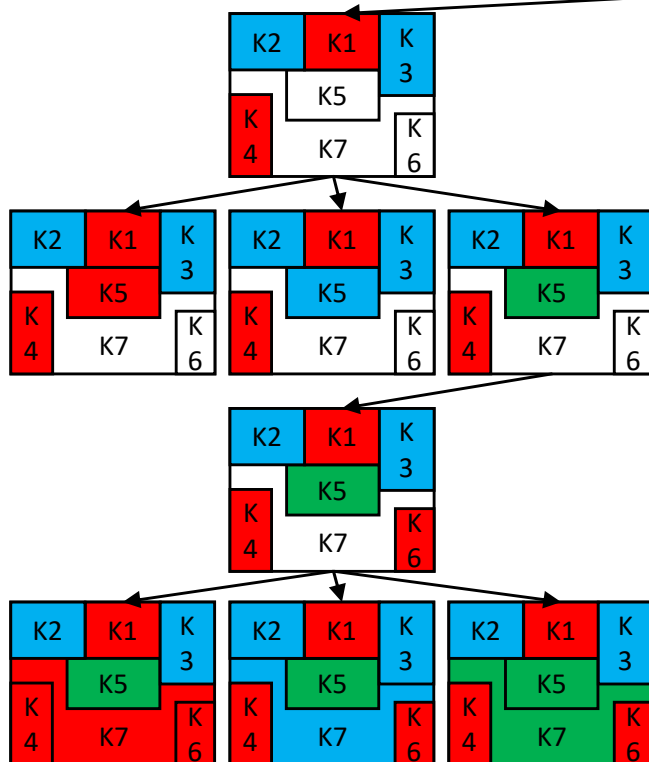
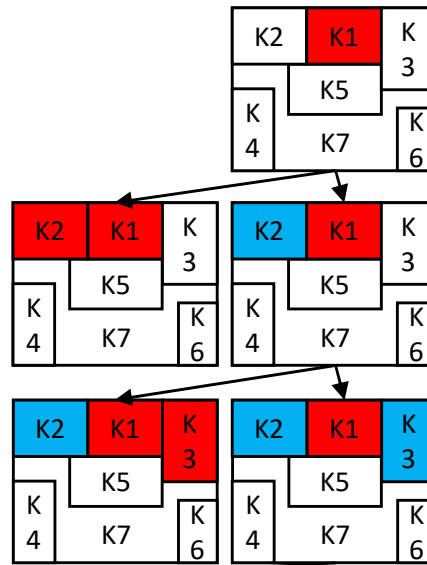
Rule 1: K1 \neq K2
Rule 2: K1 \neq K3
Rule 3: K1 \neq K5
Rule 4: K2 \neq K5
Rule 5: K2 \neq K7
Rule 6: K3 \neq K5
Rule 7: K3 \neq K7
Rule 8: K4 \neq K7
Rule 9: K5 \neq K7
Rule 10: K6 \neq K7



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: GREEN

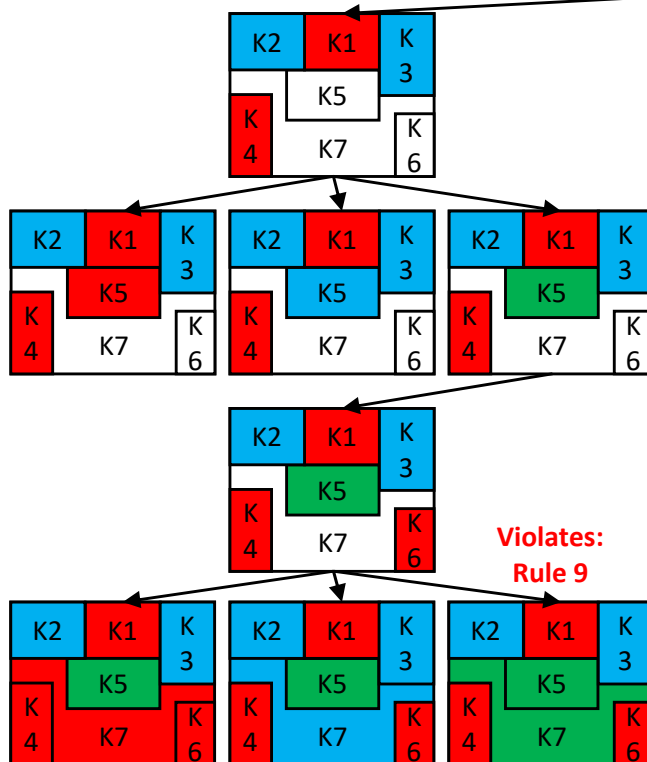
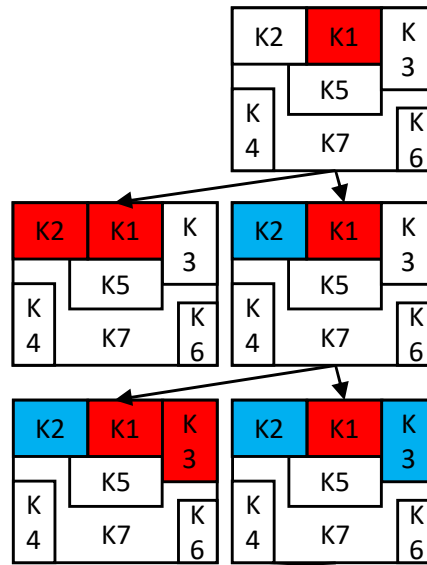


Constraints:

Rule 1: K1 ≠ K2
Rule 2: K1 ≠ K3
Rule 3: K1 ≠ K5
Rule 4: K2 ≠ K5
Rule 5: K2 ≠ K7
Rule 6: K3 ≠ K5
Rule 7: K3 ≠ K7
Rule 8: K4 ≠ K7
Rule 9: K5 ≠ K7
Rule 10: K6 ≠ K7

Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: GREEN



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

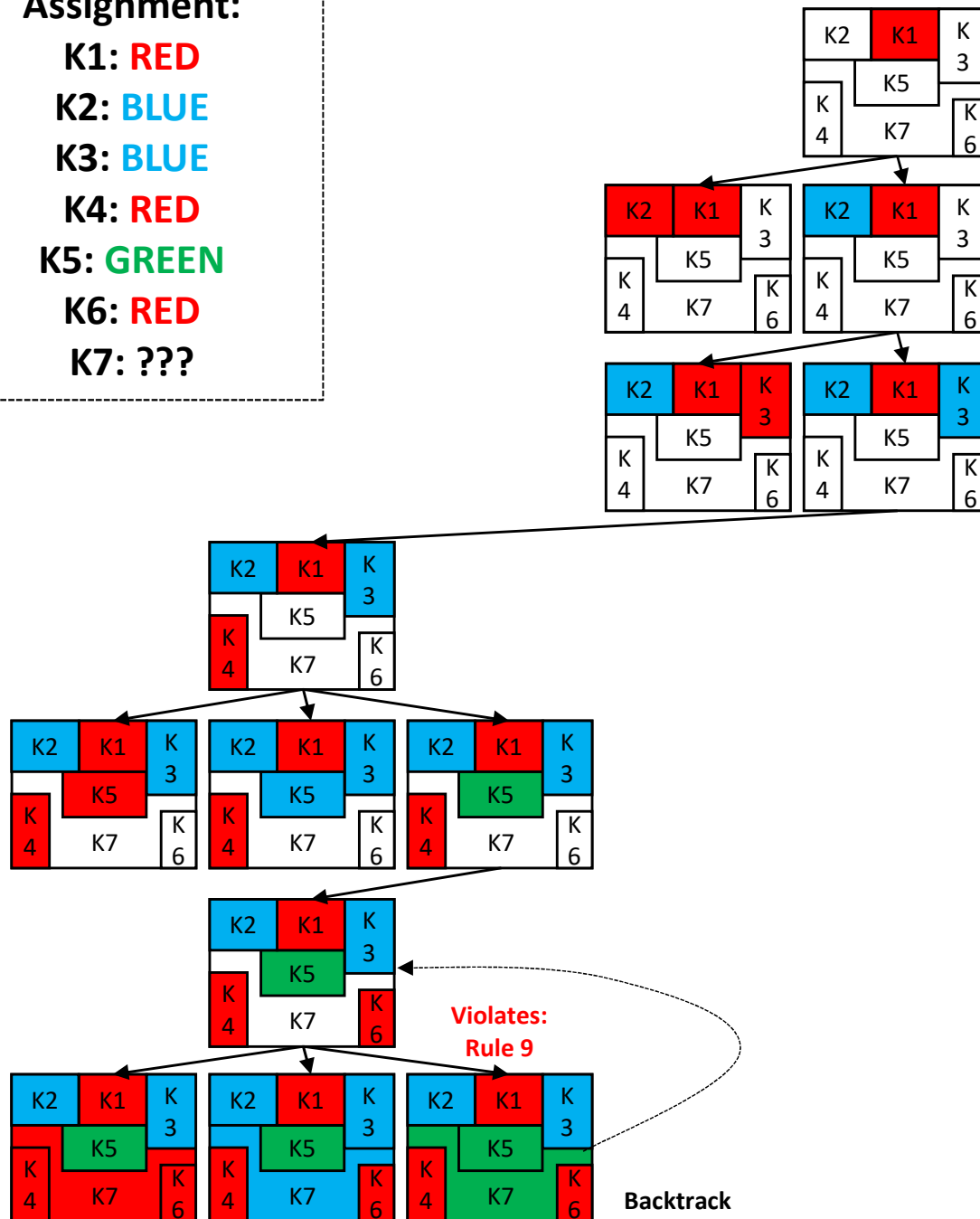
Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

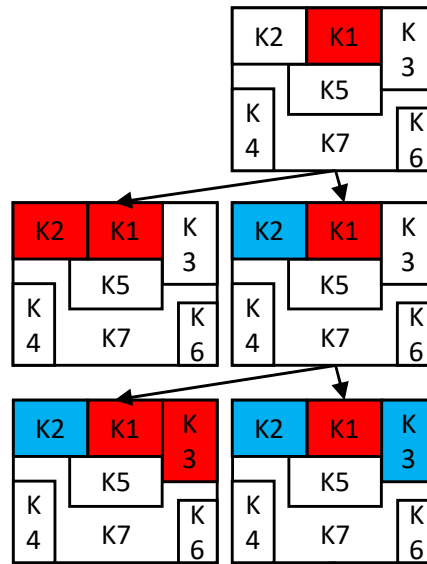
K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: GREEN

K6: ???

K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

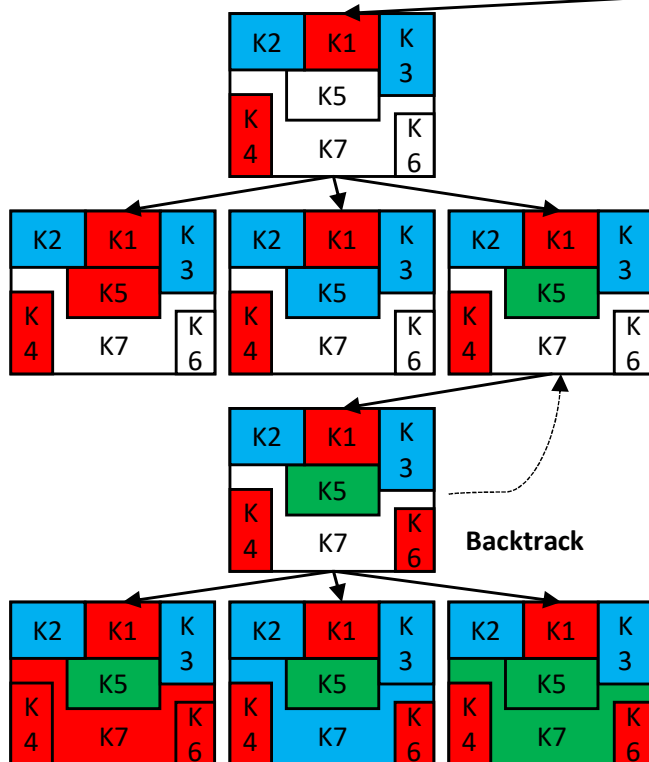
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$

Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$

Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

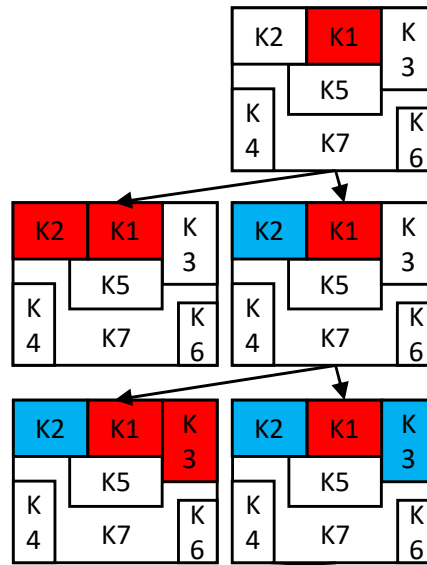
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

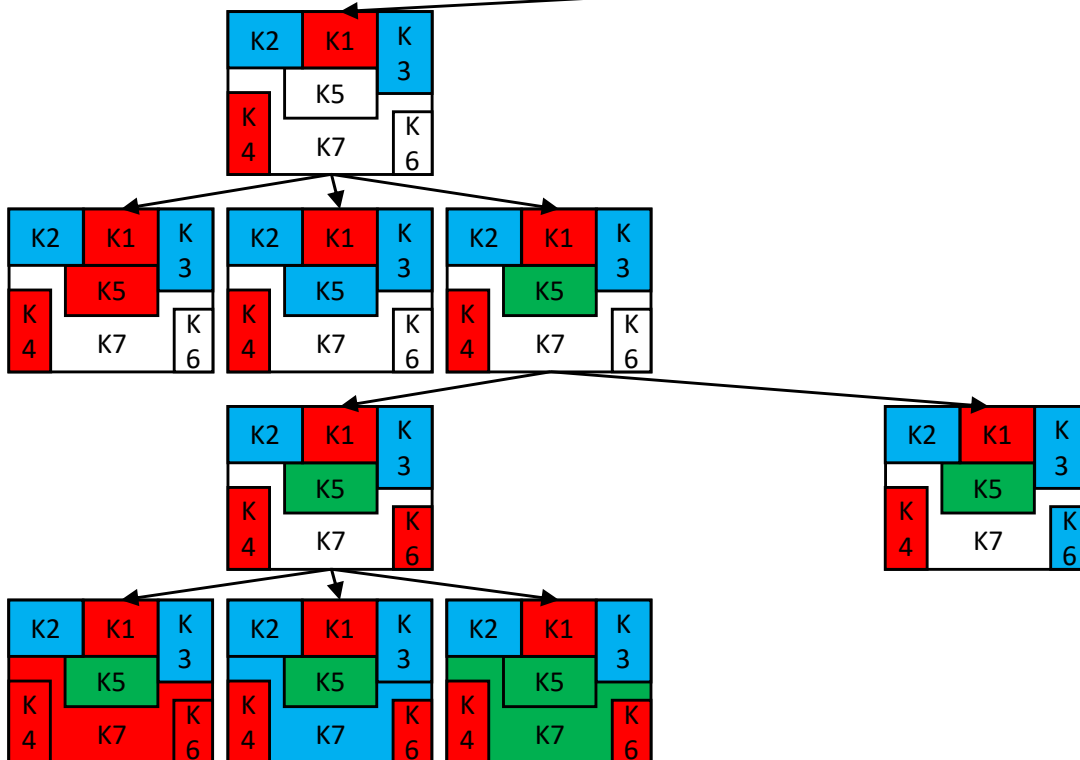
Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: ???



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: GREEN

K6: BLUE

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

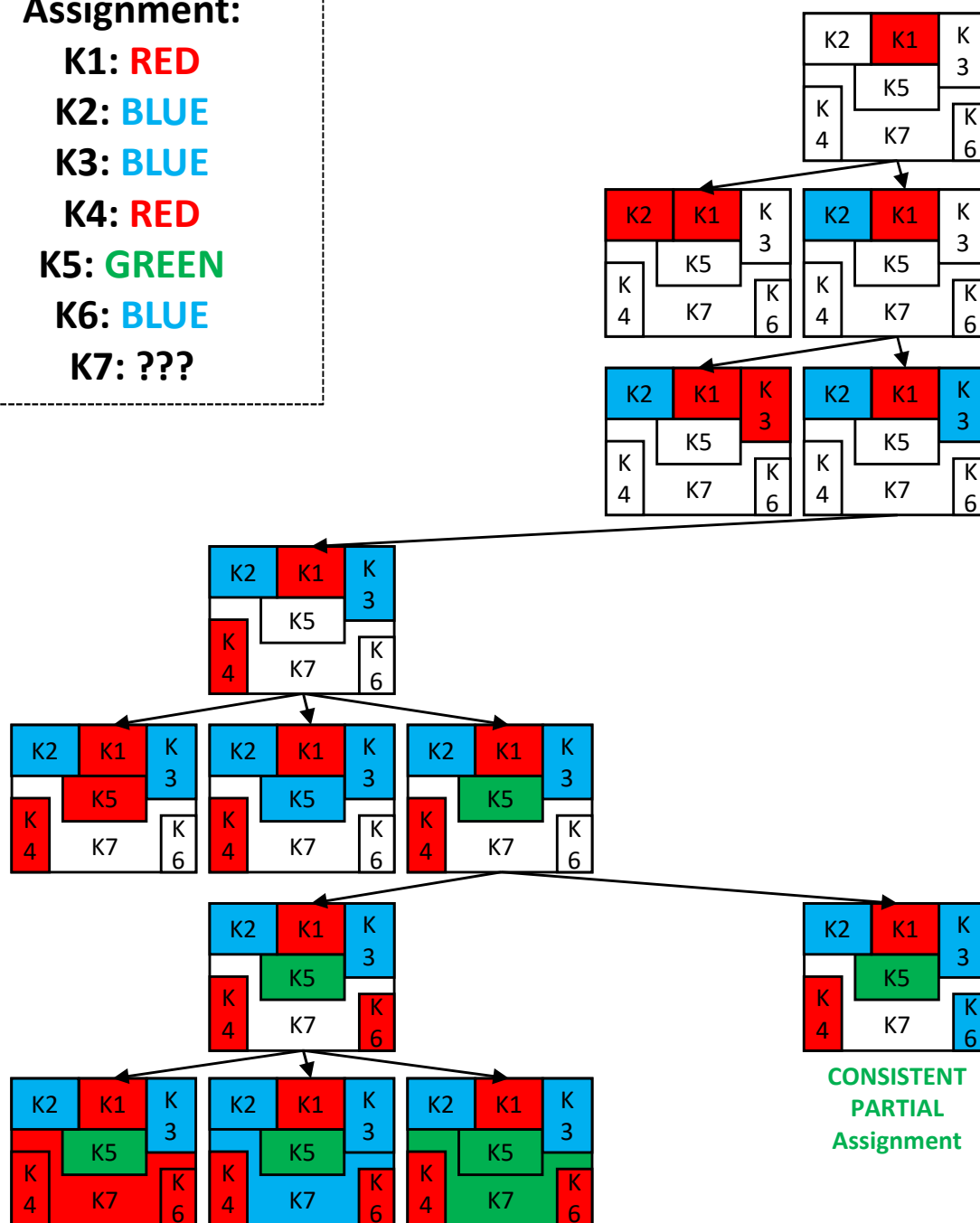
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Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

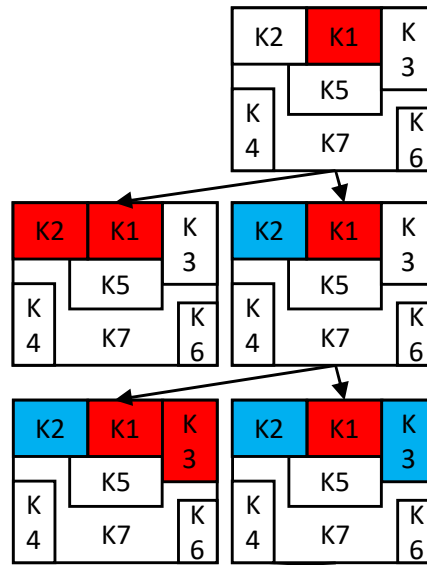
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

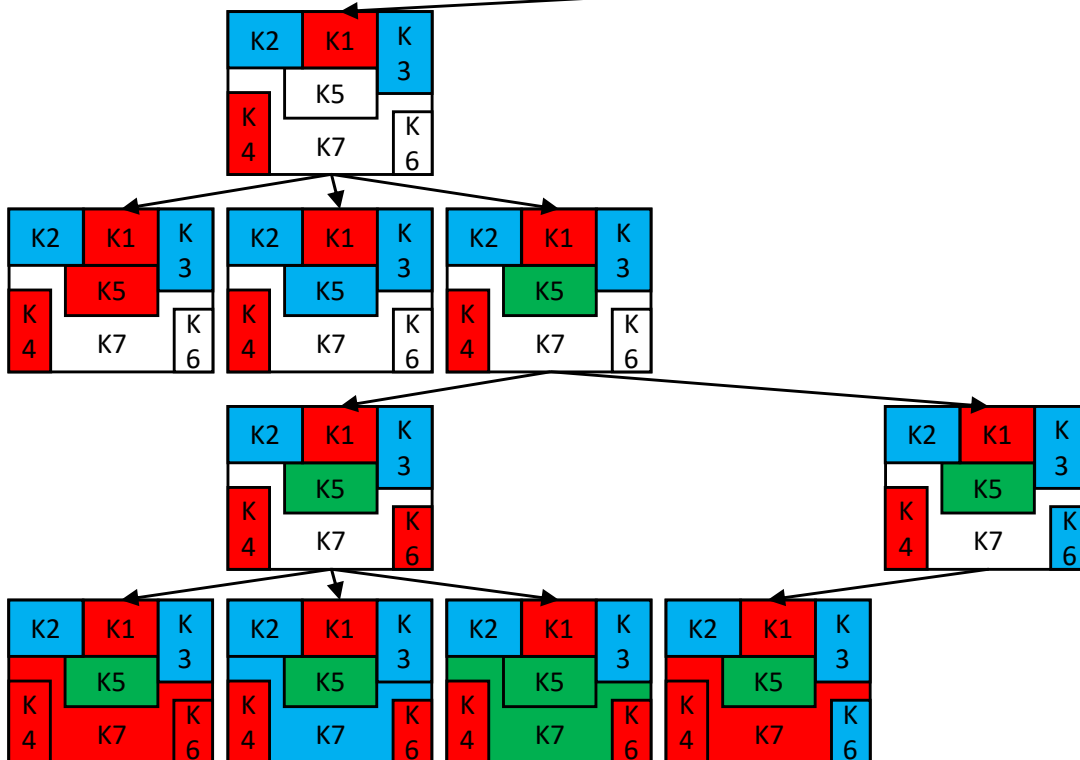
Assignment:

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K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: RED



Constraints:

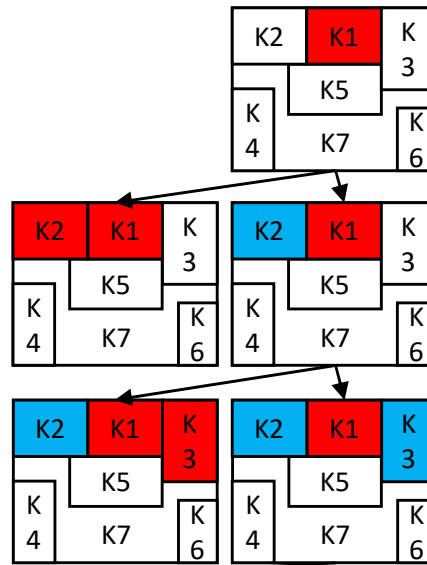
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Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

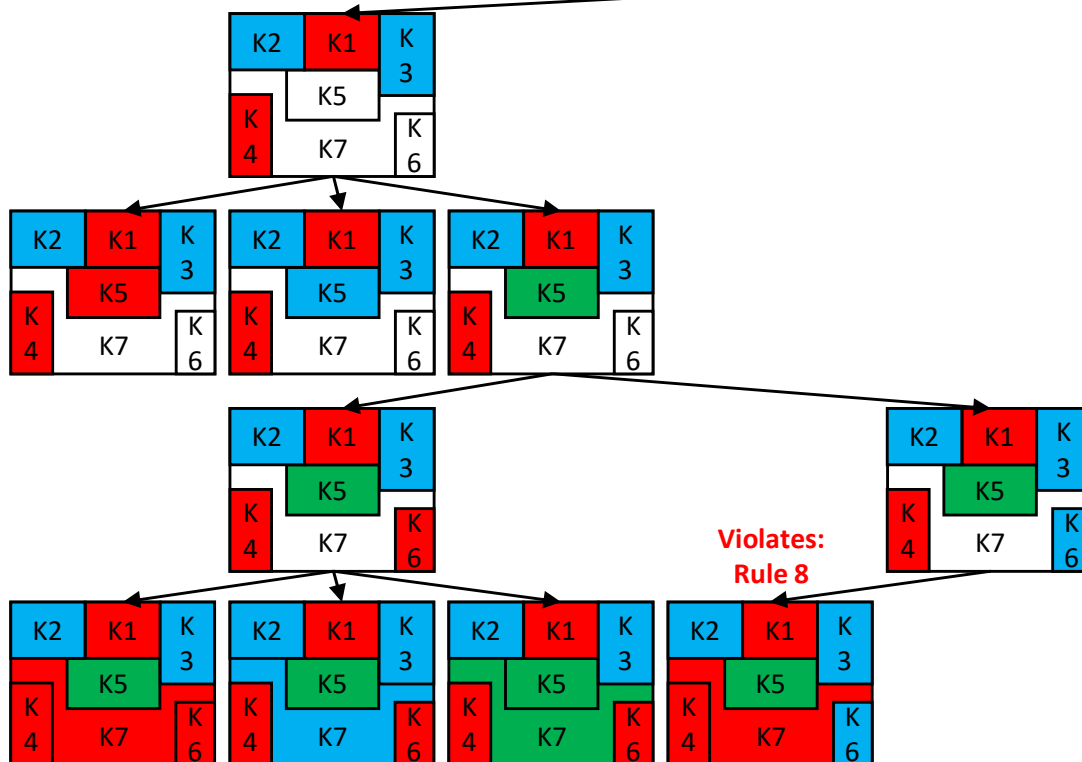
Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: RED



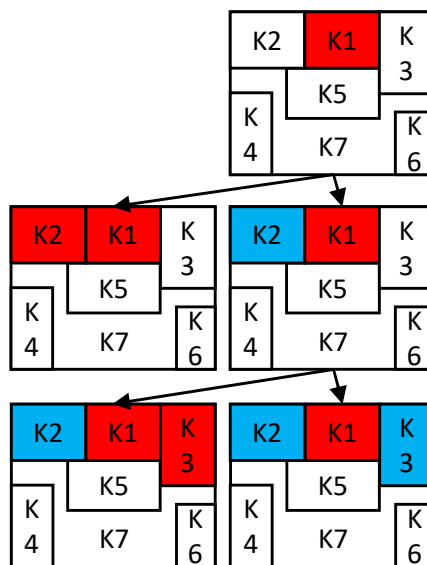
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Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$

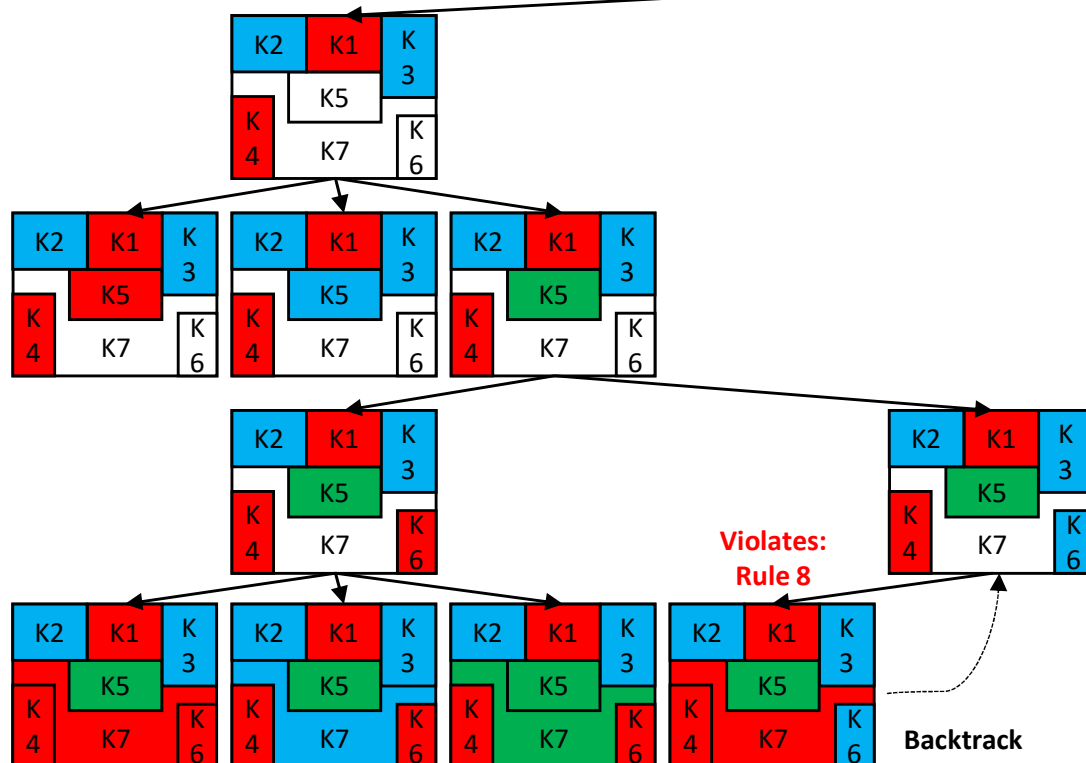


Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

K7: ???



- Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$**



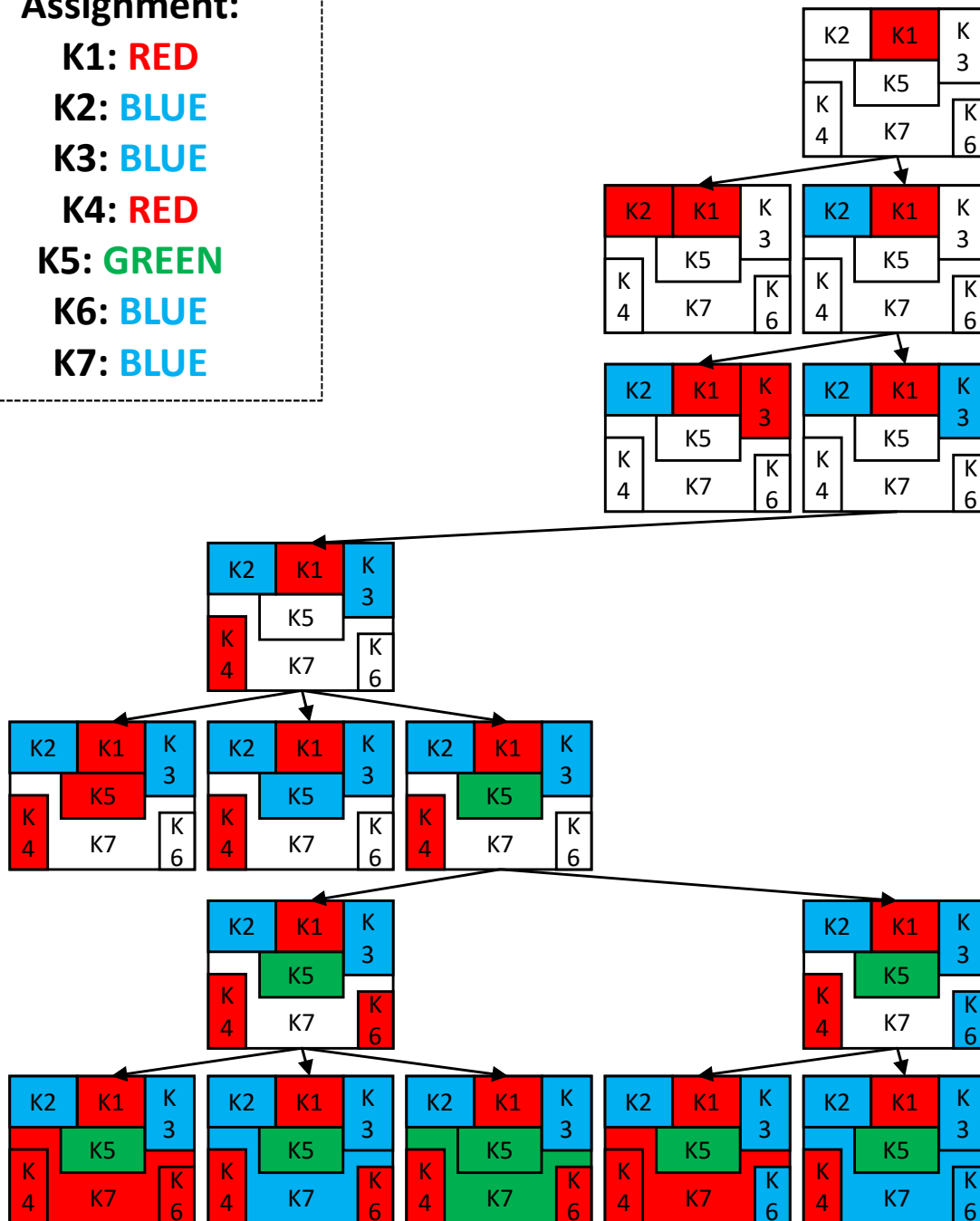
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: BLUE

Constraints:

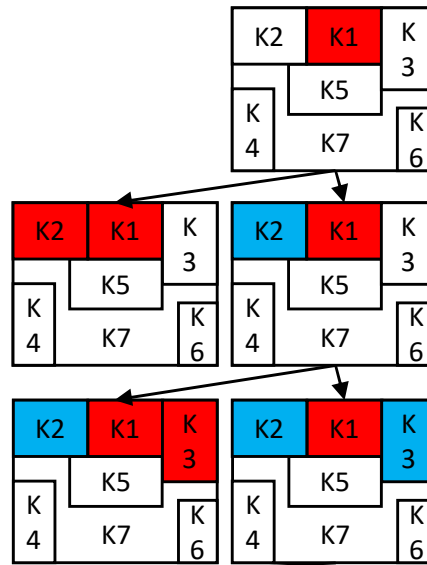
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Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

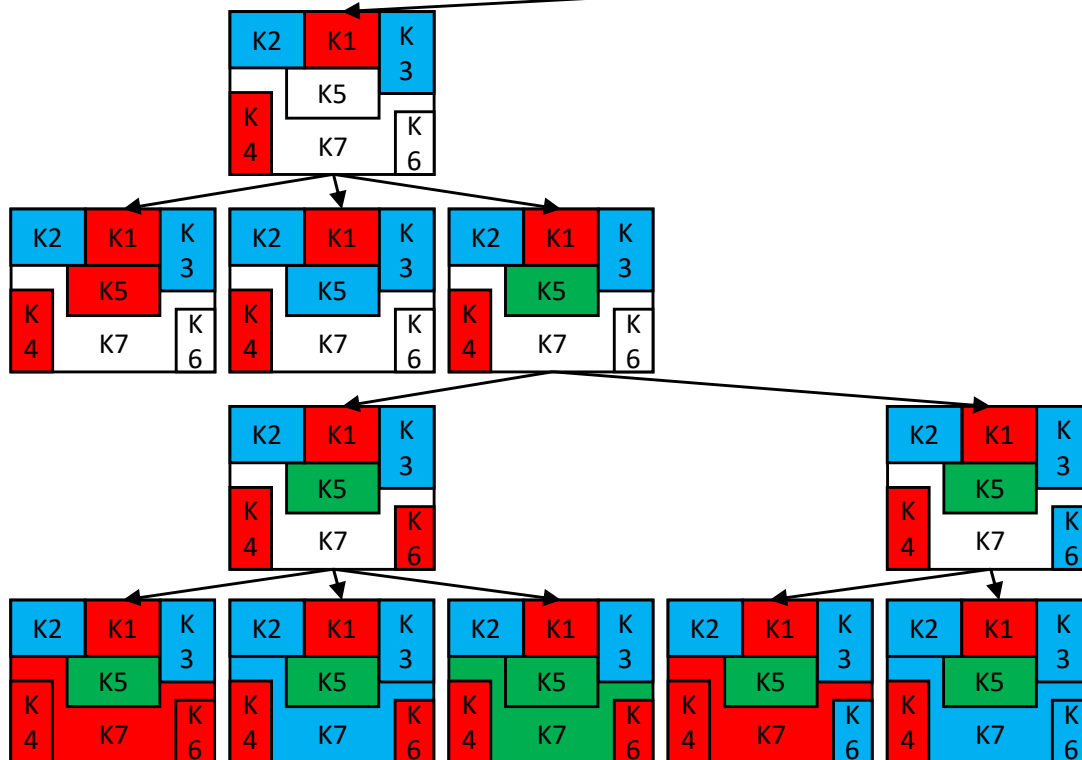
Assignment:

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K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: BLUE



Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Violates:
Rule 5
Rule 7
Rule 10

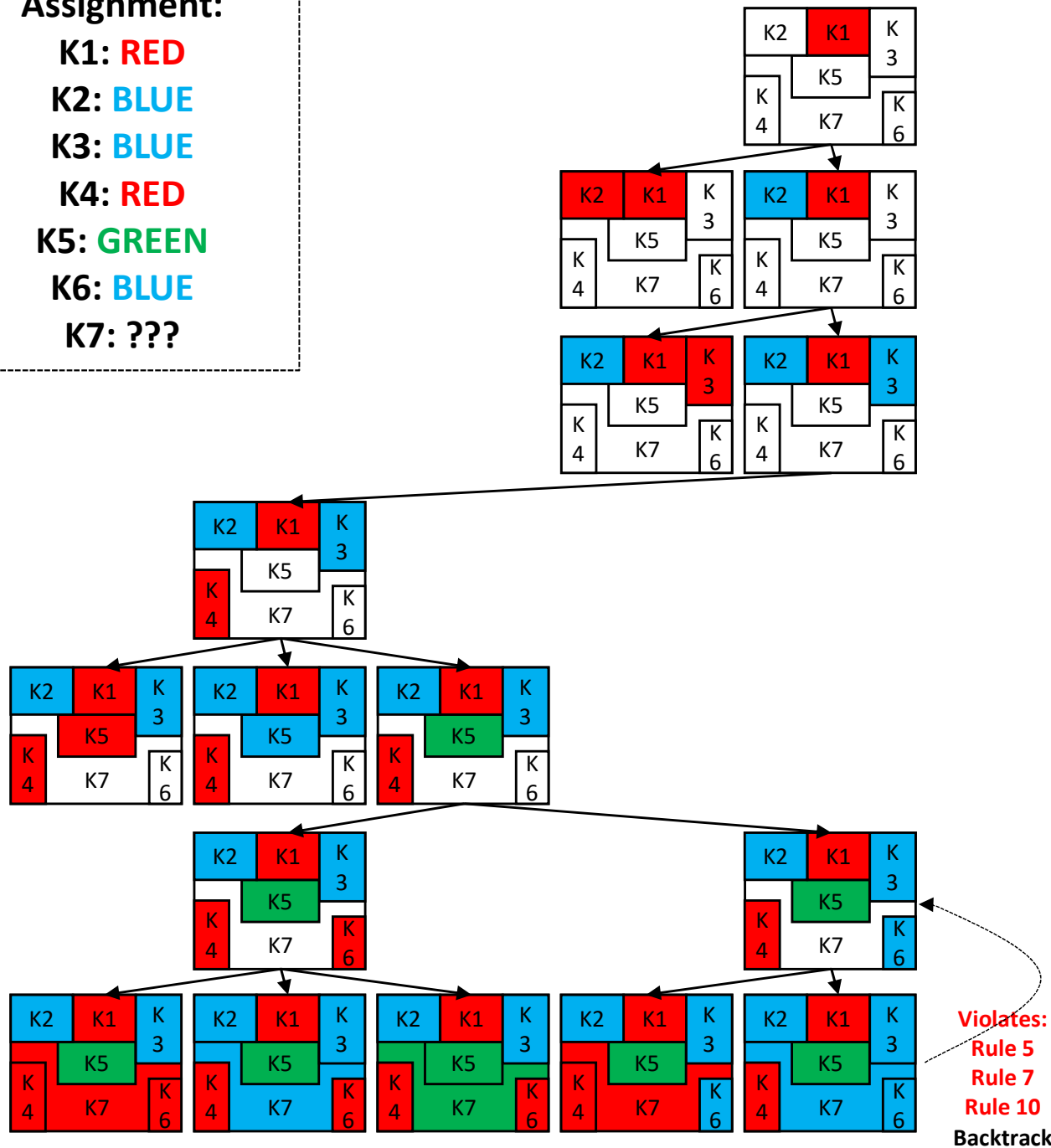
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



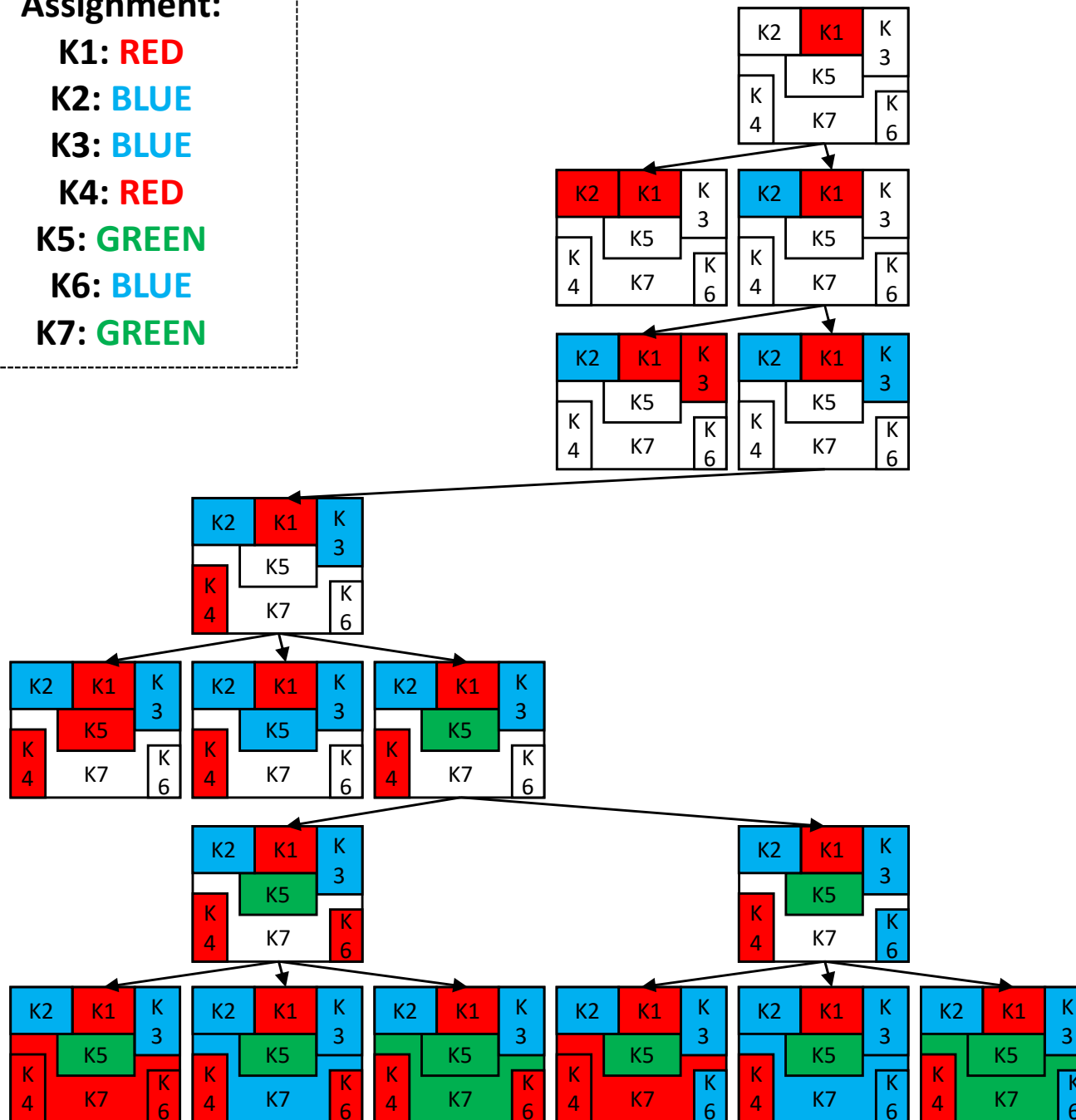
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: GREEN

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



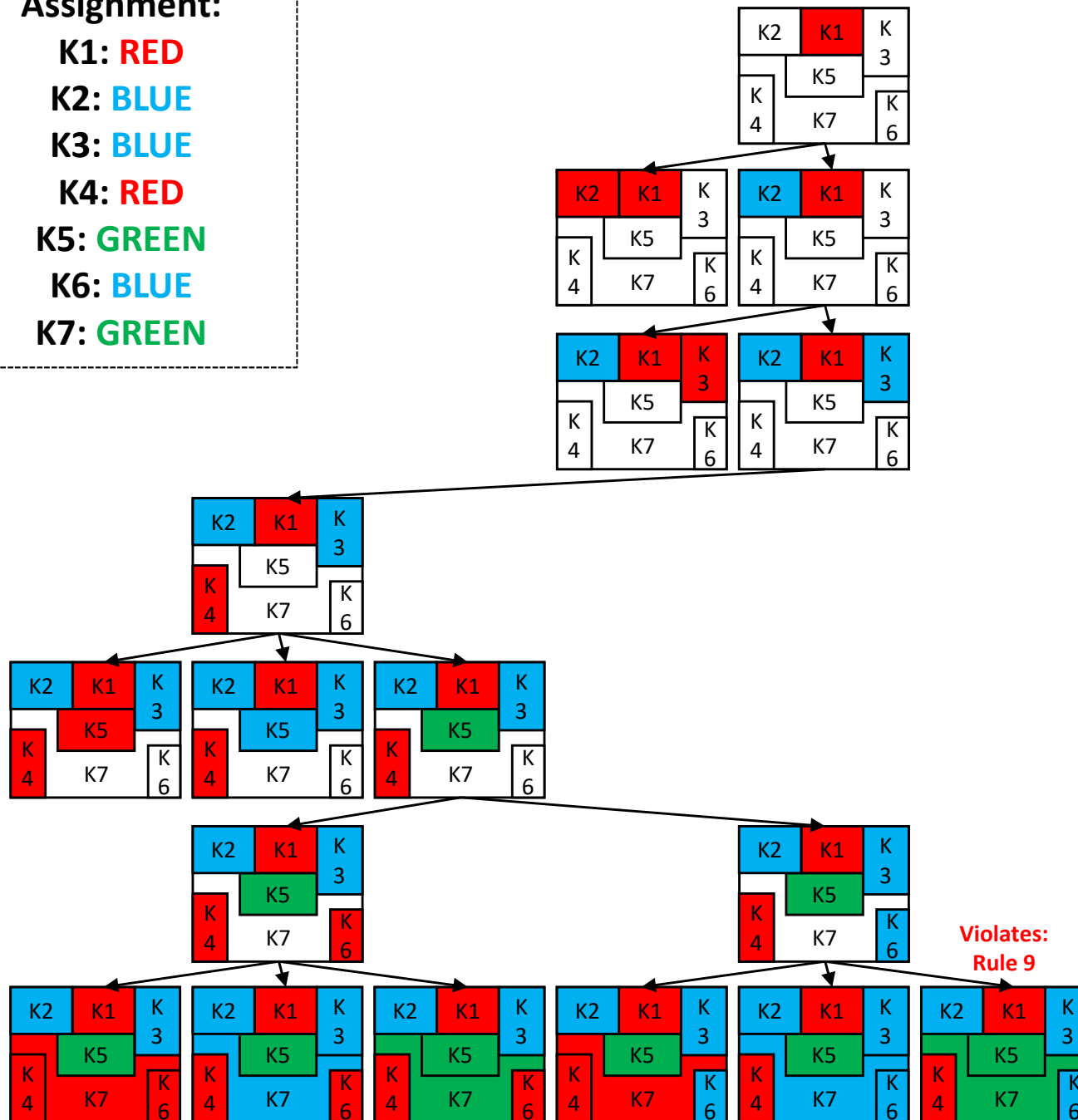
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: GREEN

Constraints:

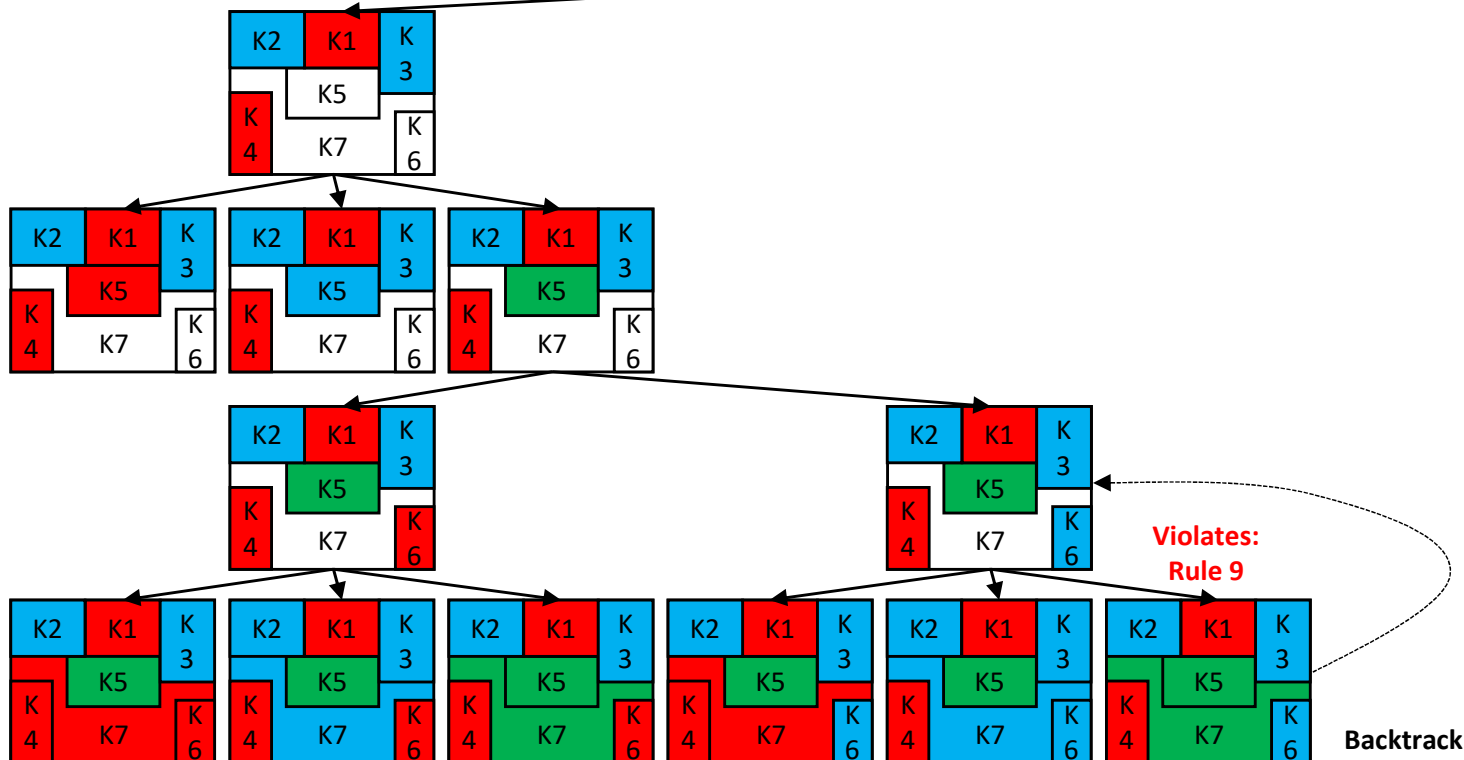
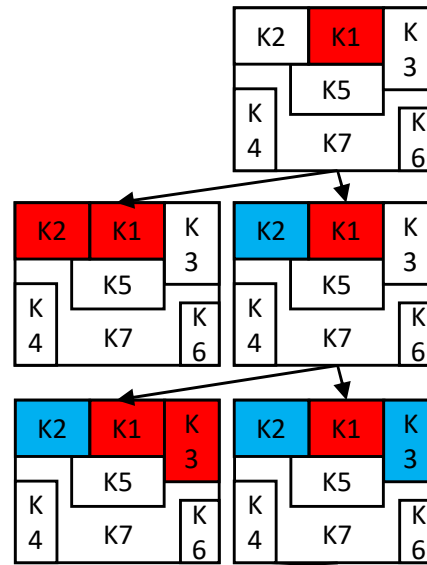
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Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: BLUE
K7: ???

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | **Value assignment order:** RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: GREEN

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

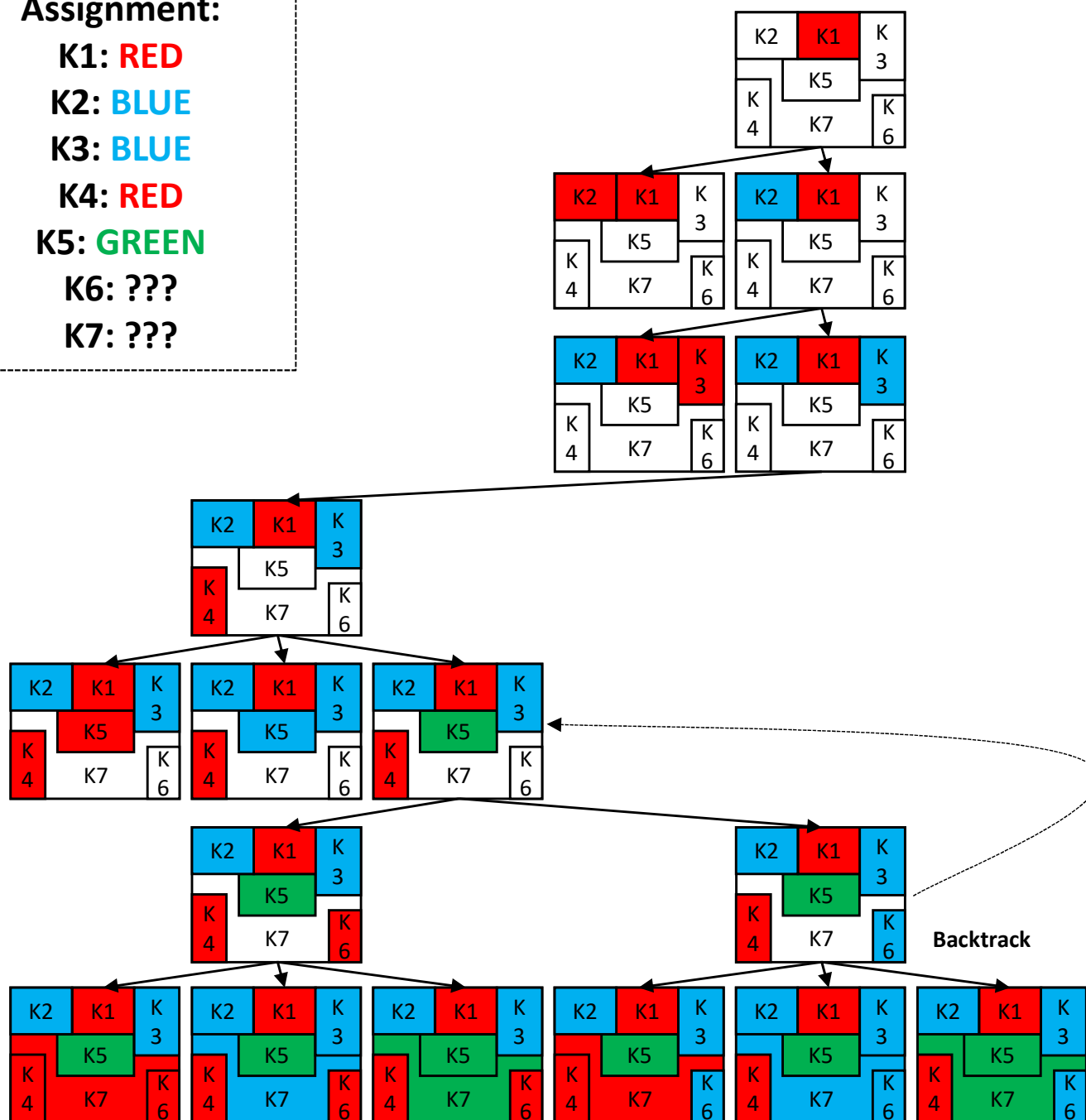
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



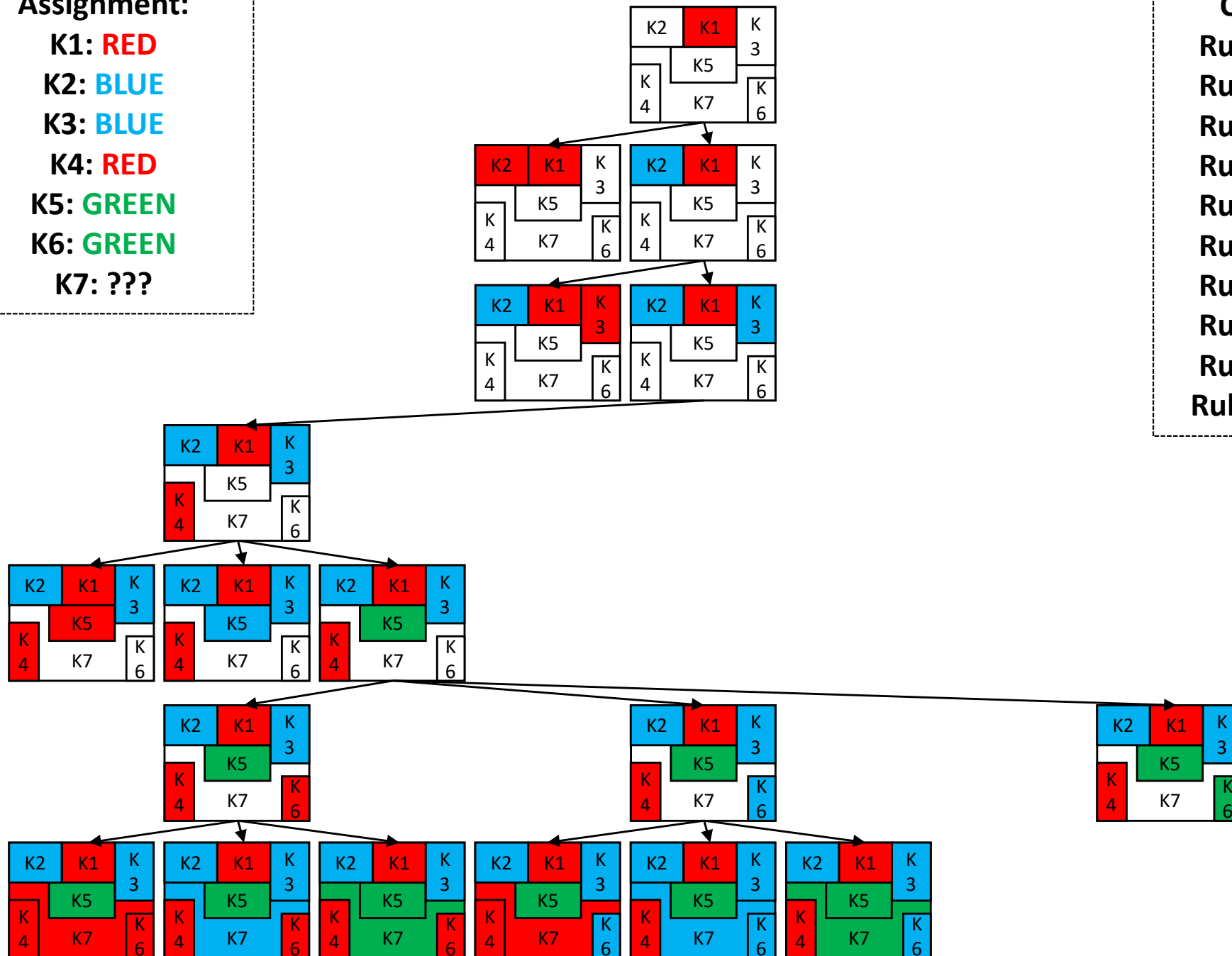
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
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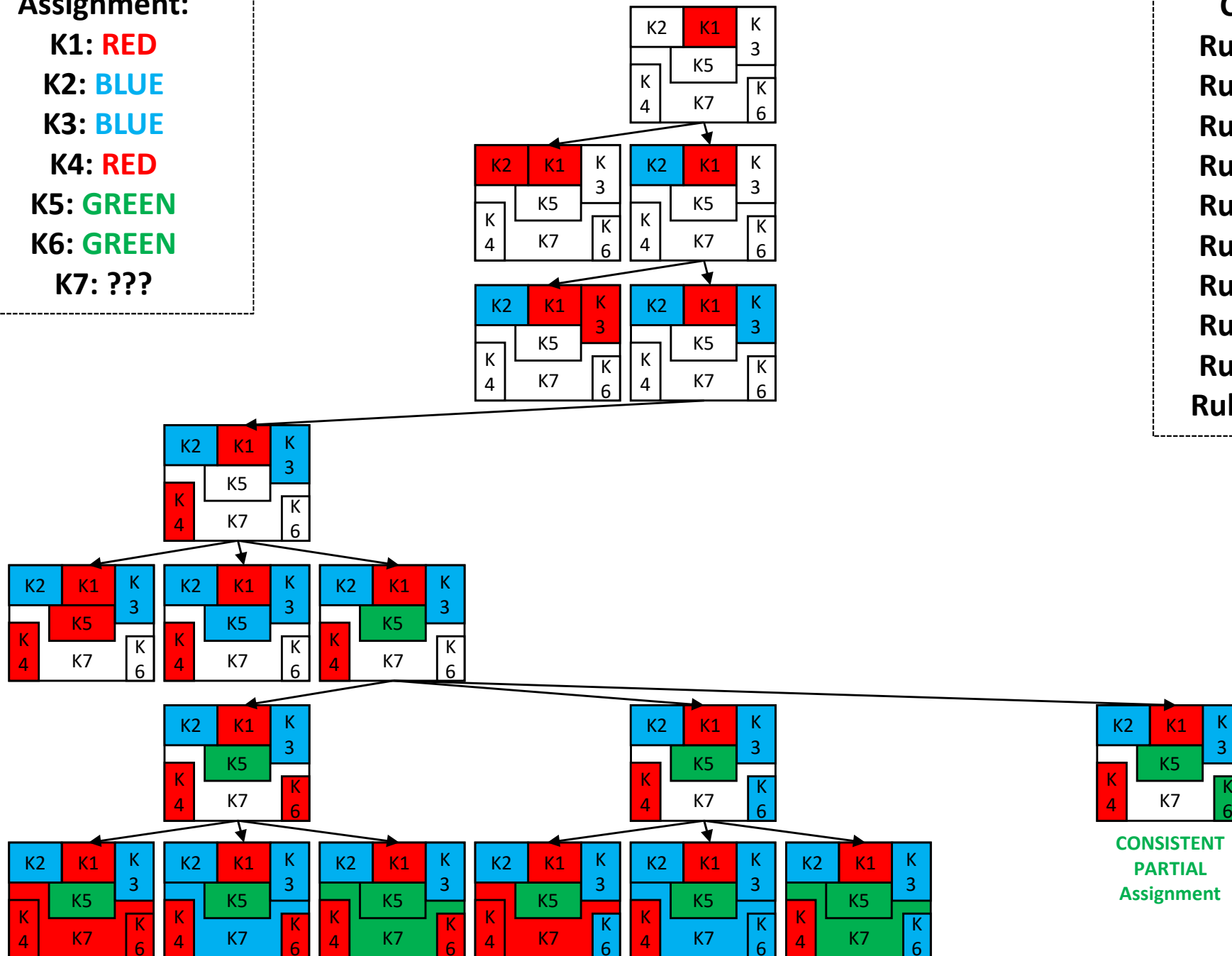
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
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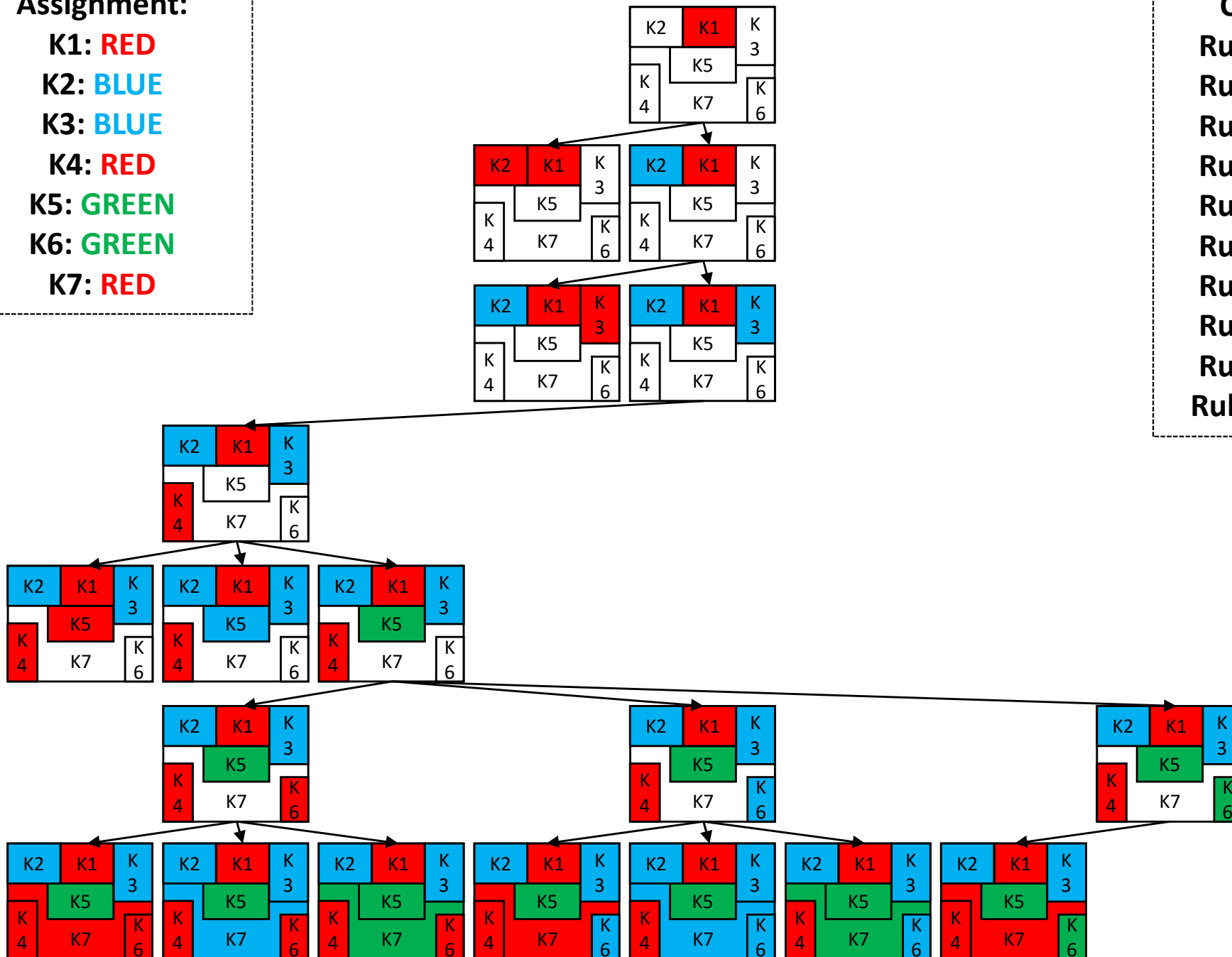
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: RED

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
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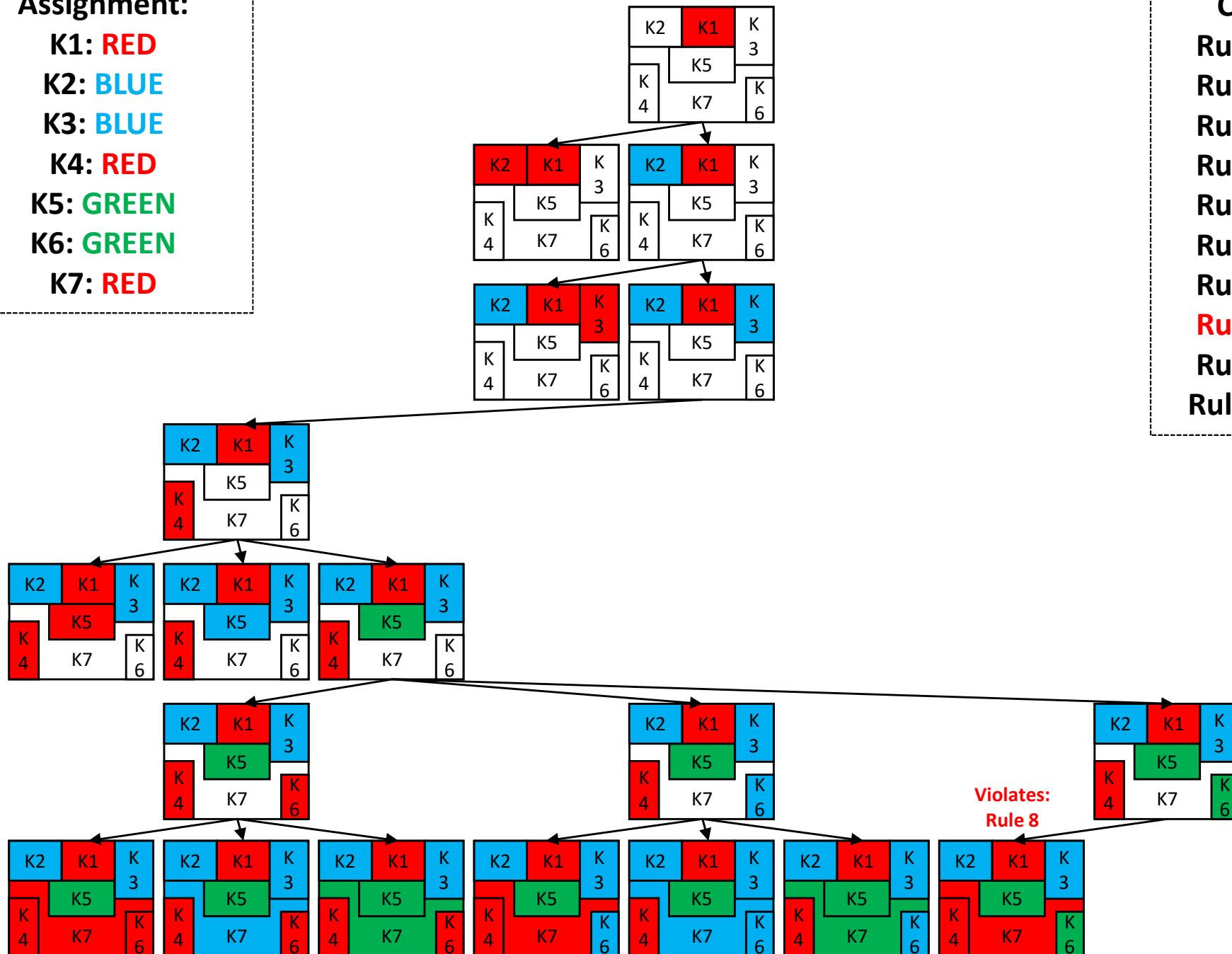
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Assignment:

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K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: RED

Constraints:

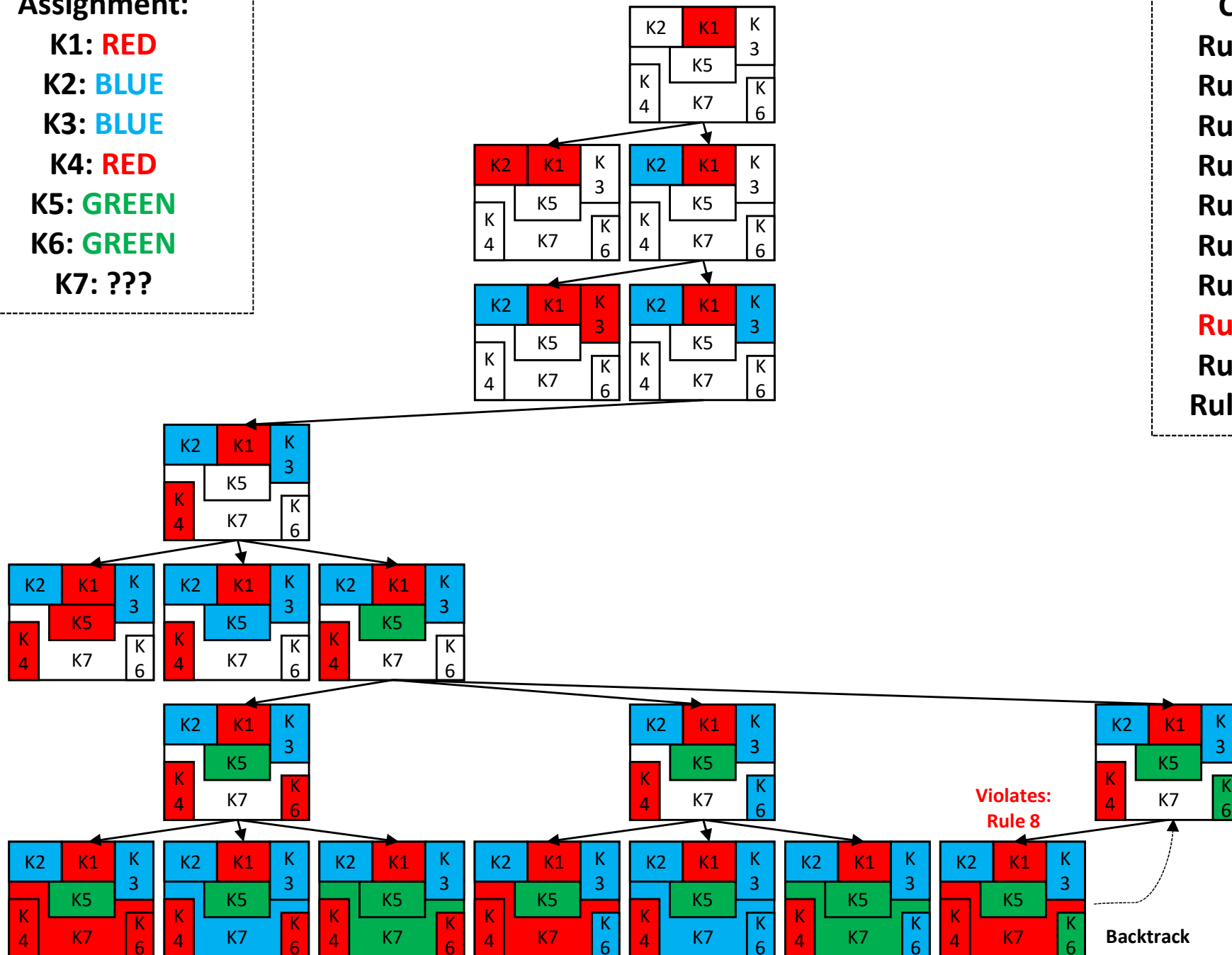
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Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: ???

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
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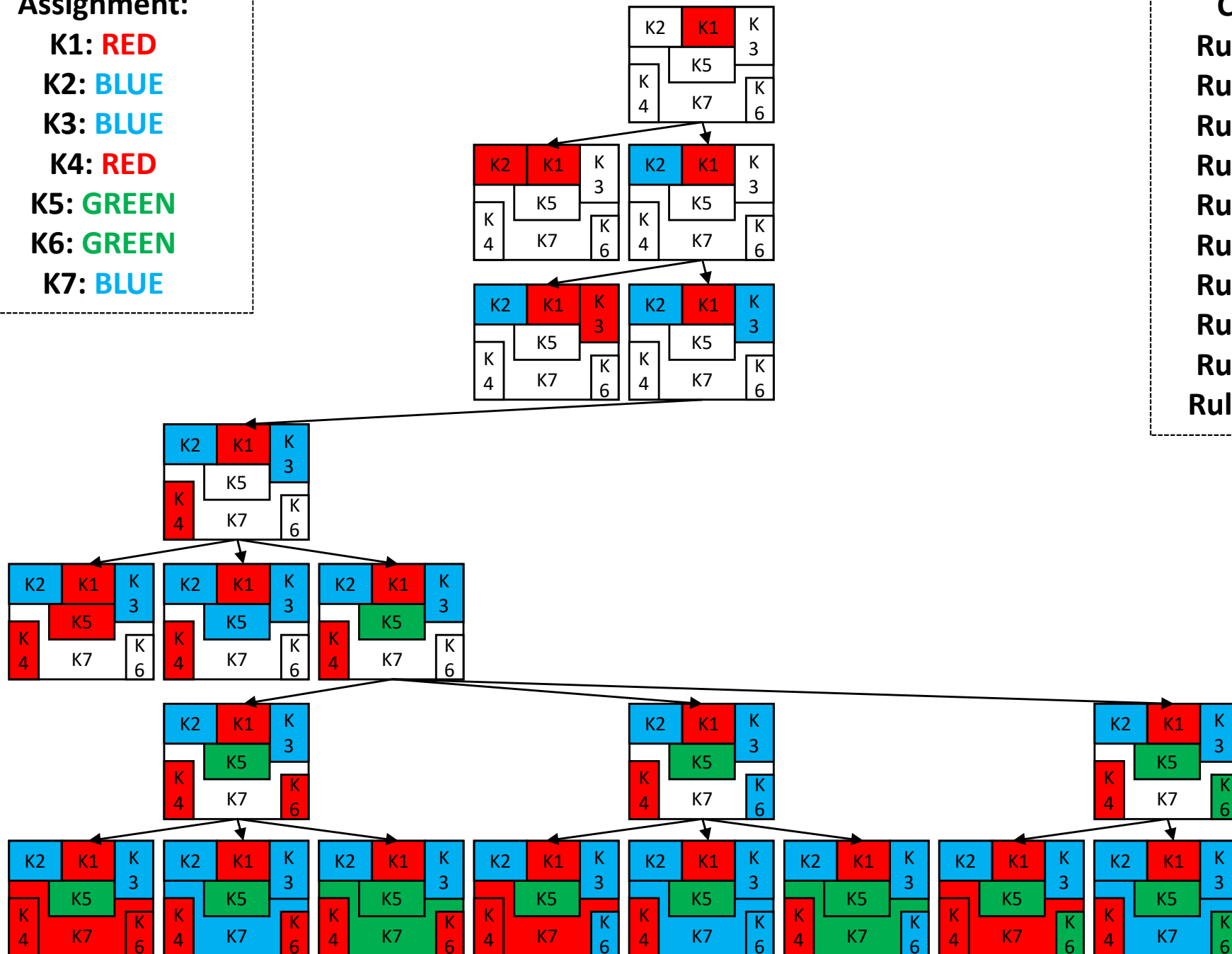
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: BLUE

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
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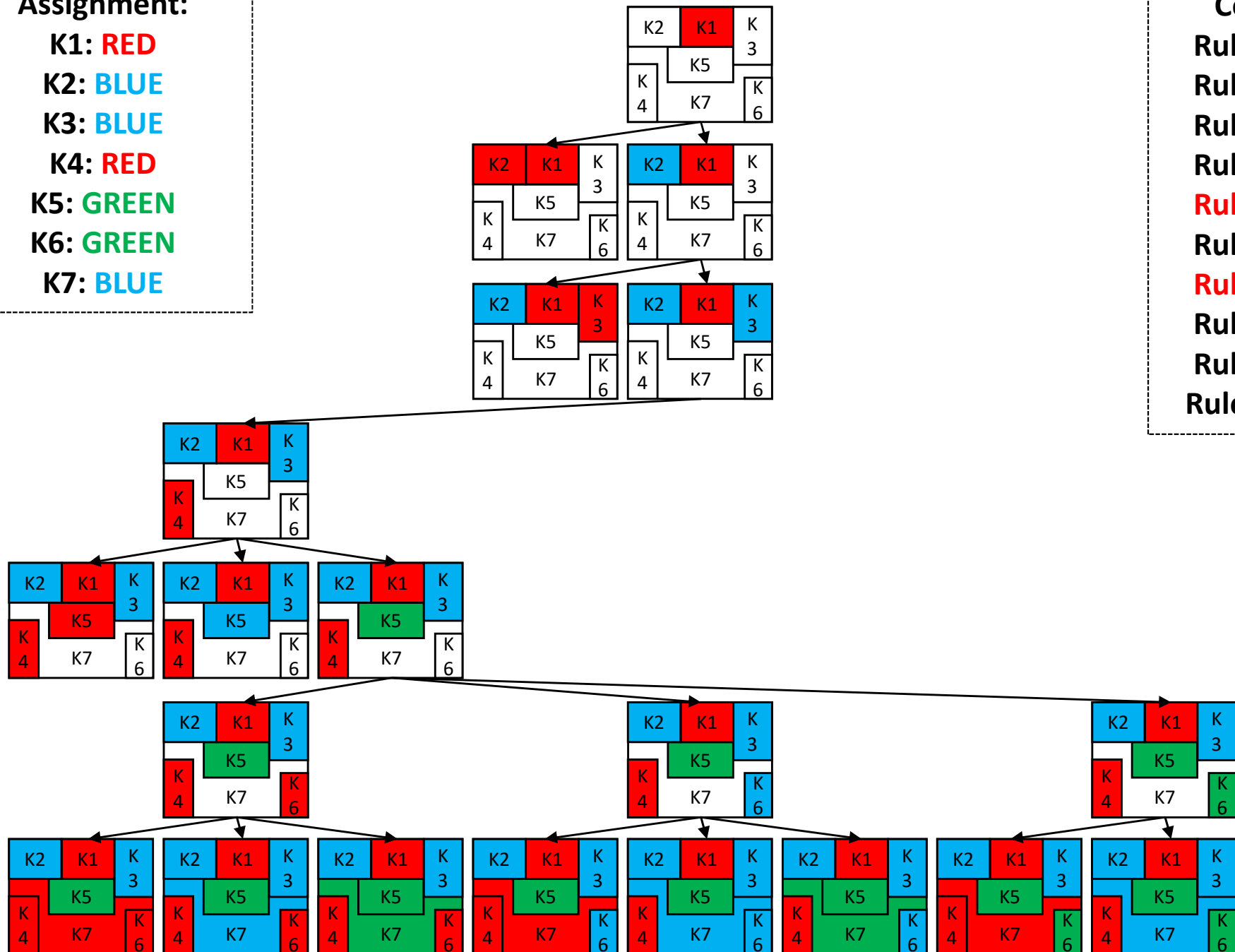


Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: BLUE

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
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Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: GREEN

K6: GREEN

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

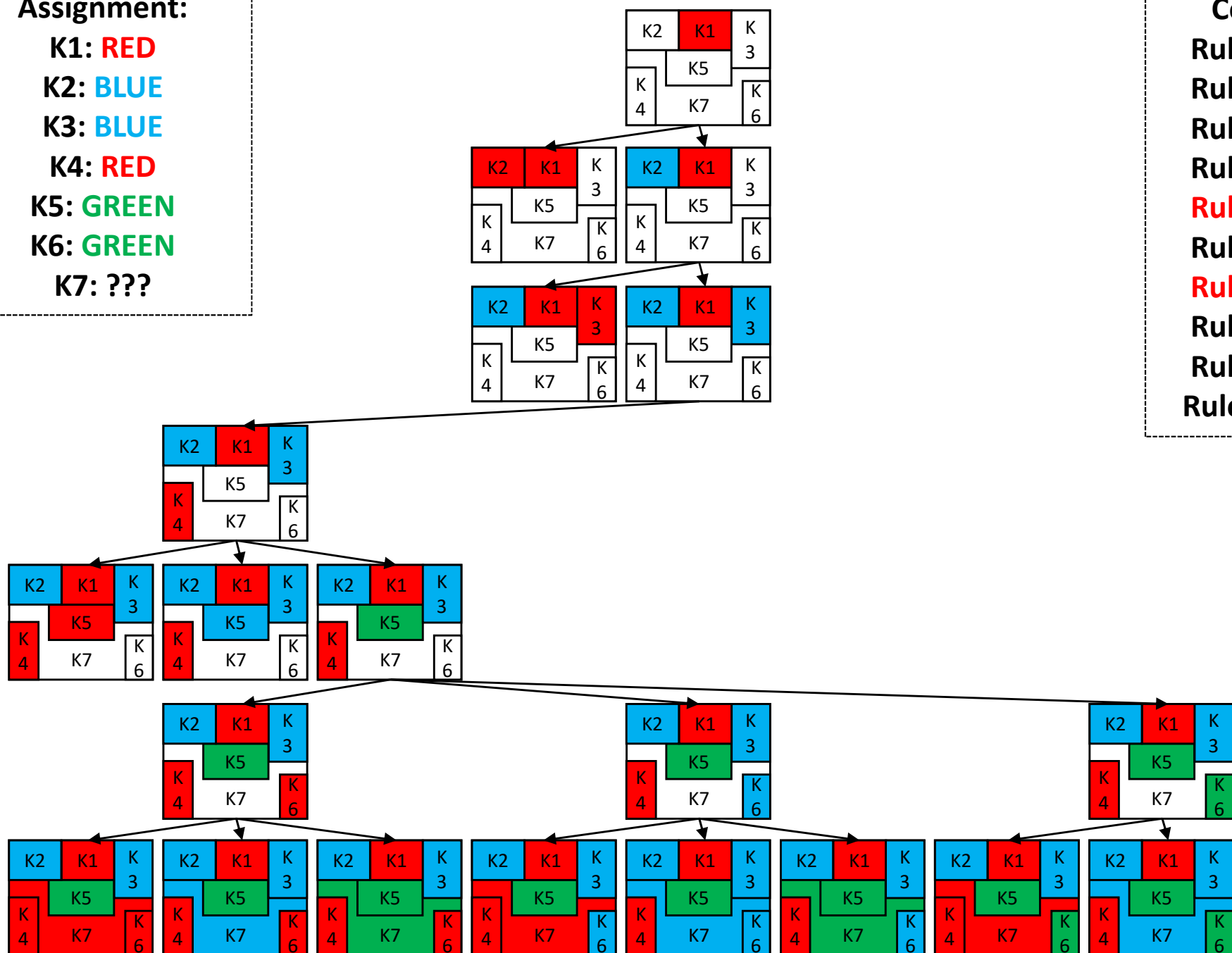
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Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Violates:
Rule 7
Rule 10
Backtrack

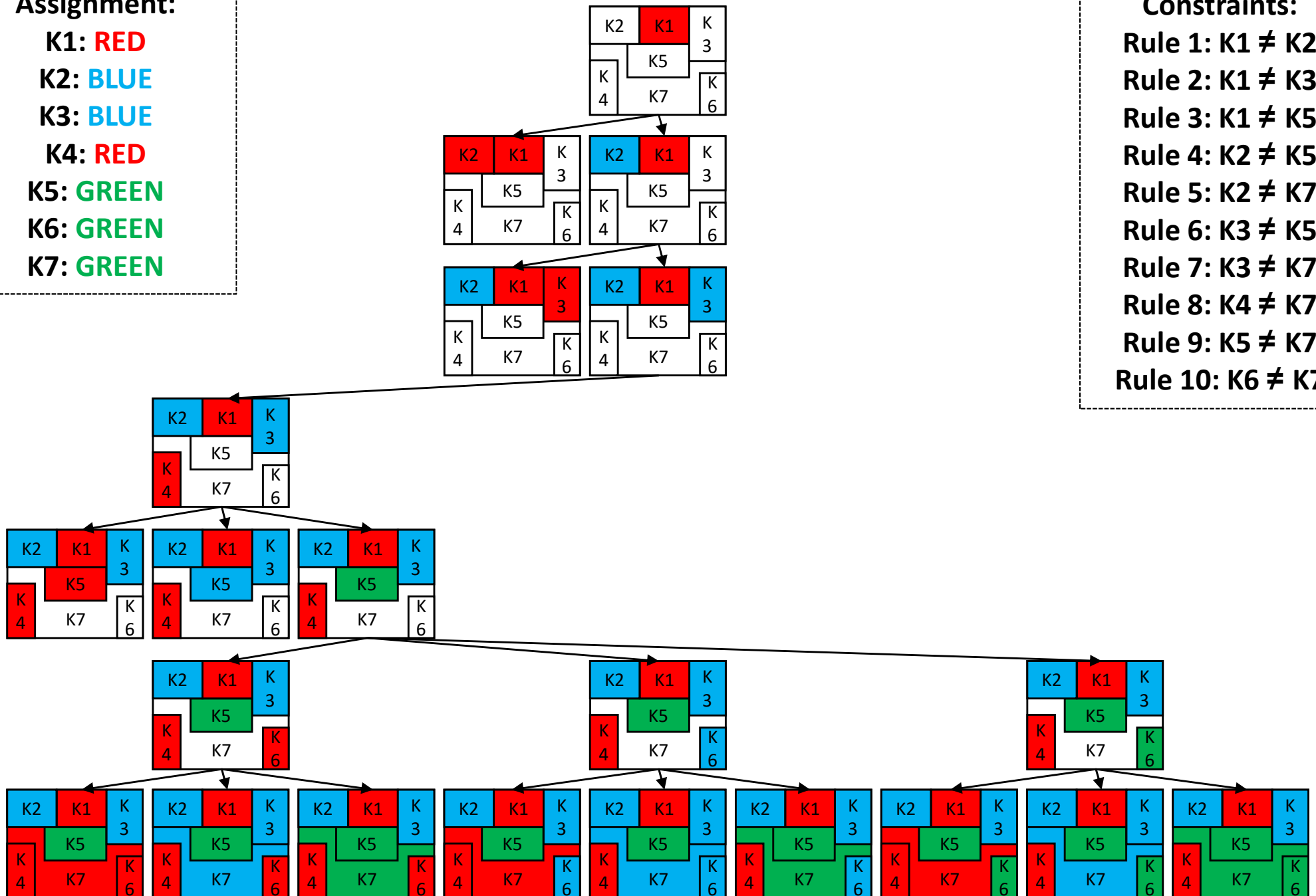
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: GREEN

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
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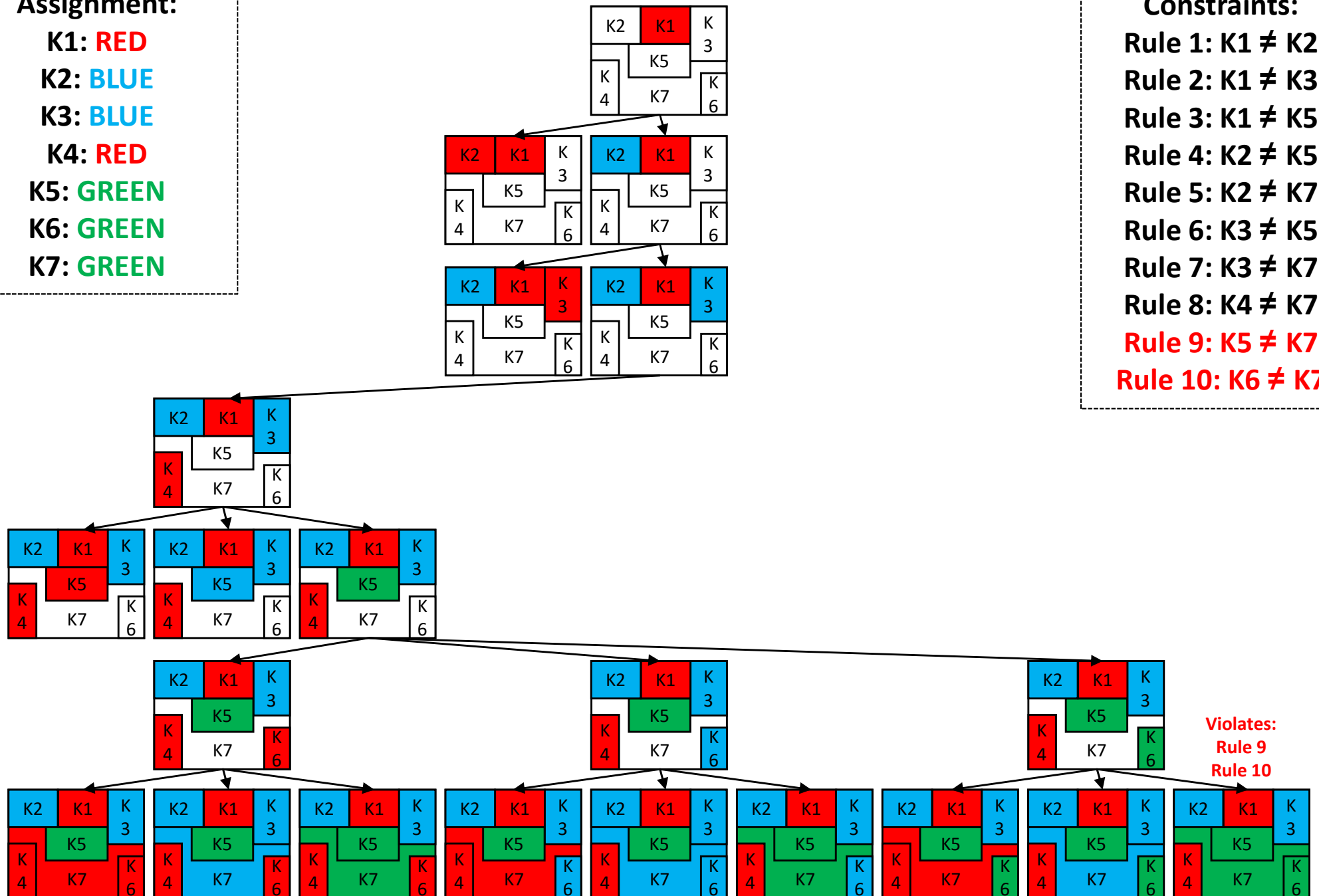
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: GREEN

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
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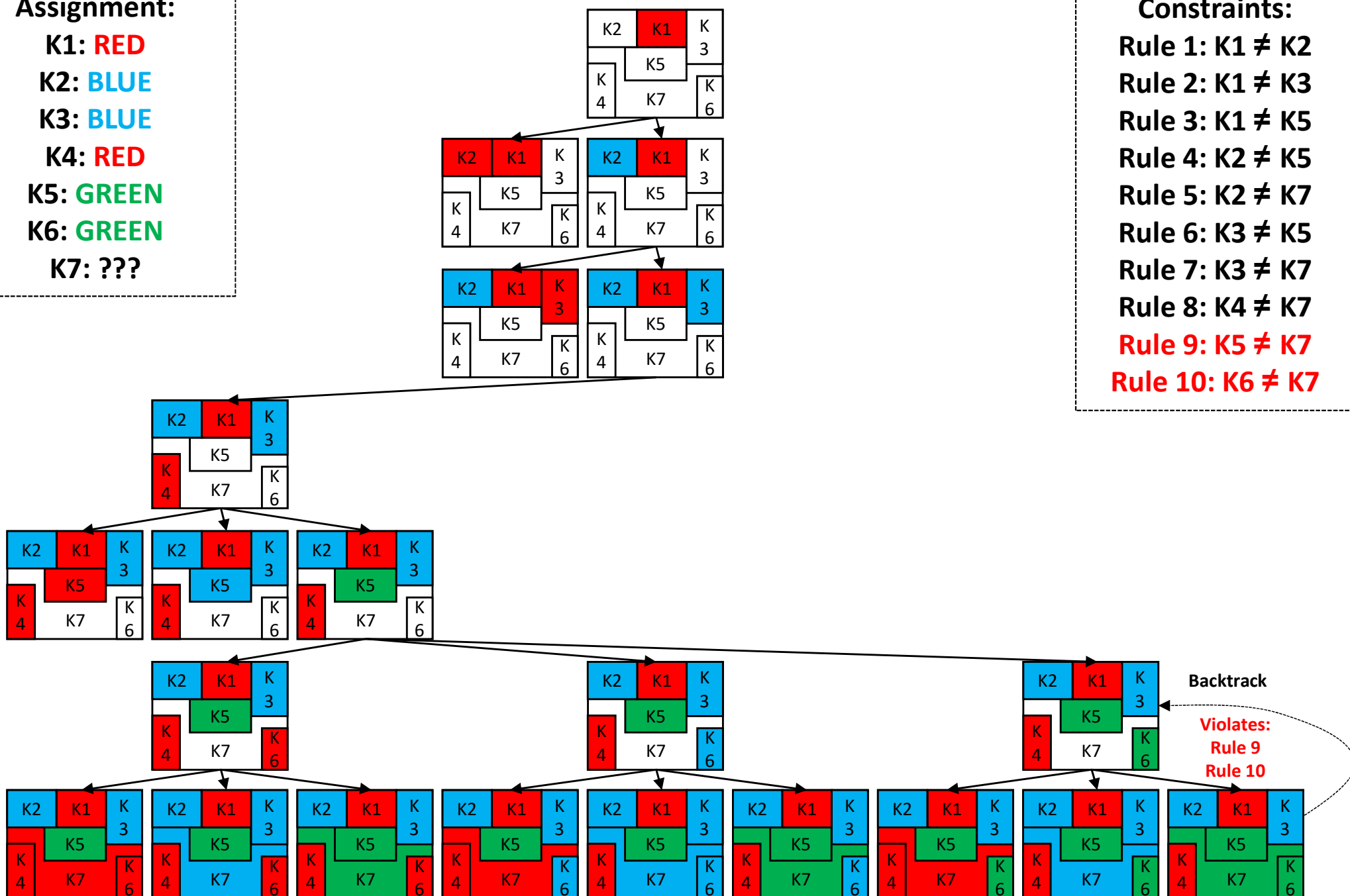
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: RED
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
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Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: RED

K5: GREEN

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

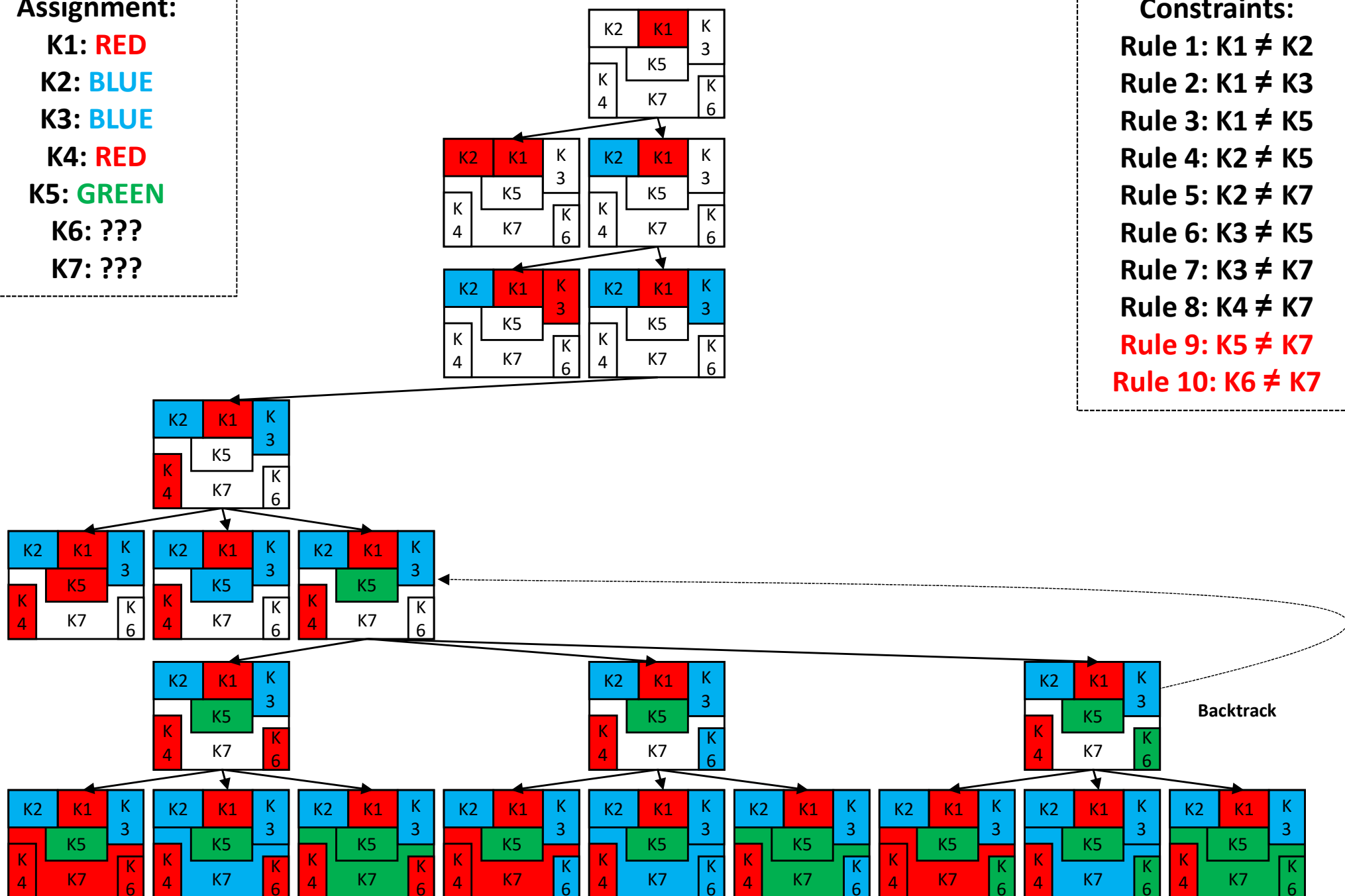
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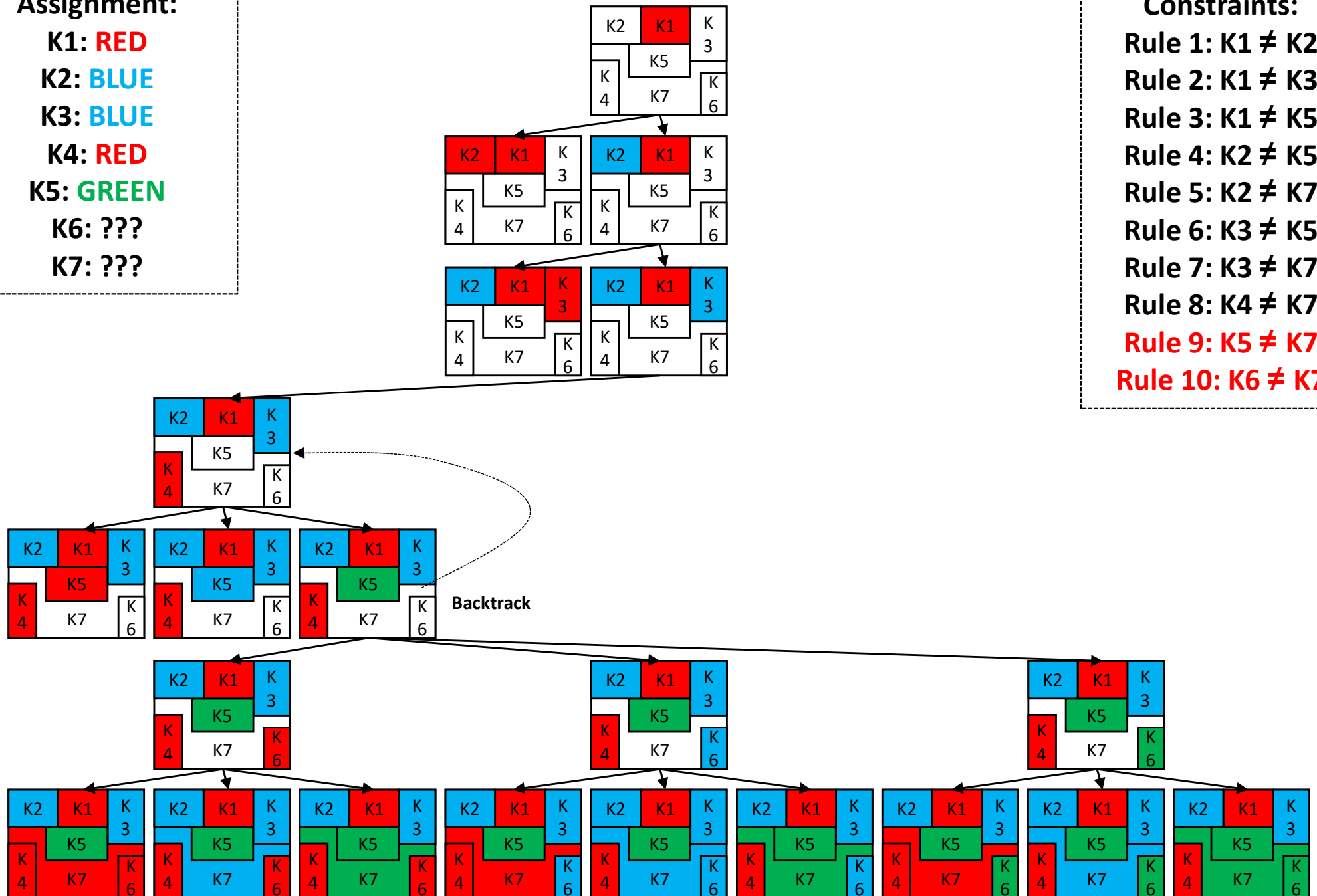
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Assignment:

K1: **RED**
K2: **BLUE**
K3: **BLUE**
K4: **RED**
K5: **GREEN**
K6: ???
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

K3: **BLUE**

K4: **RED**

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

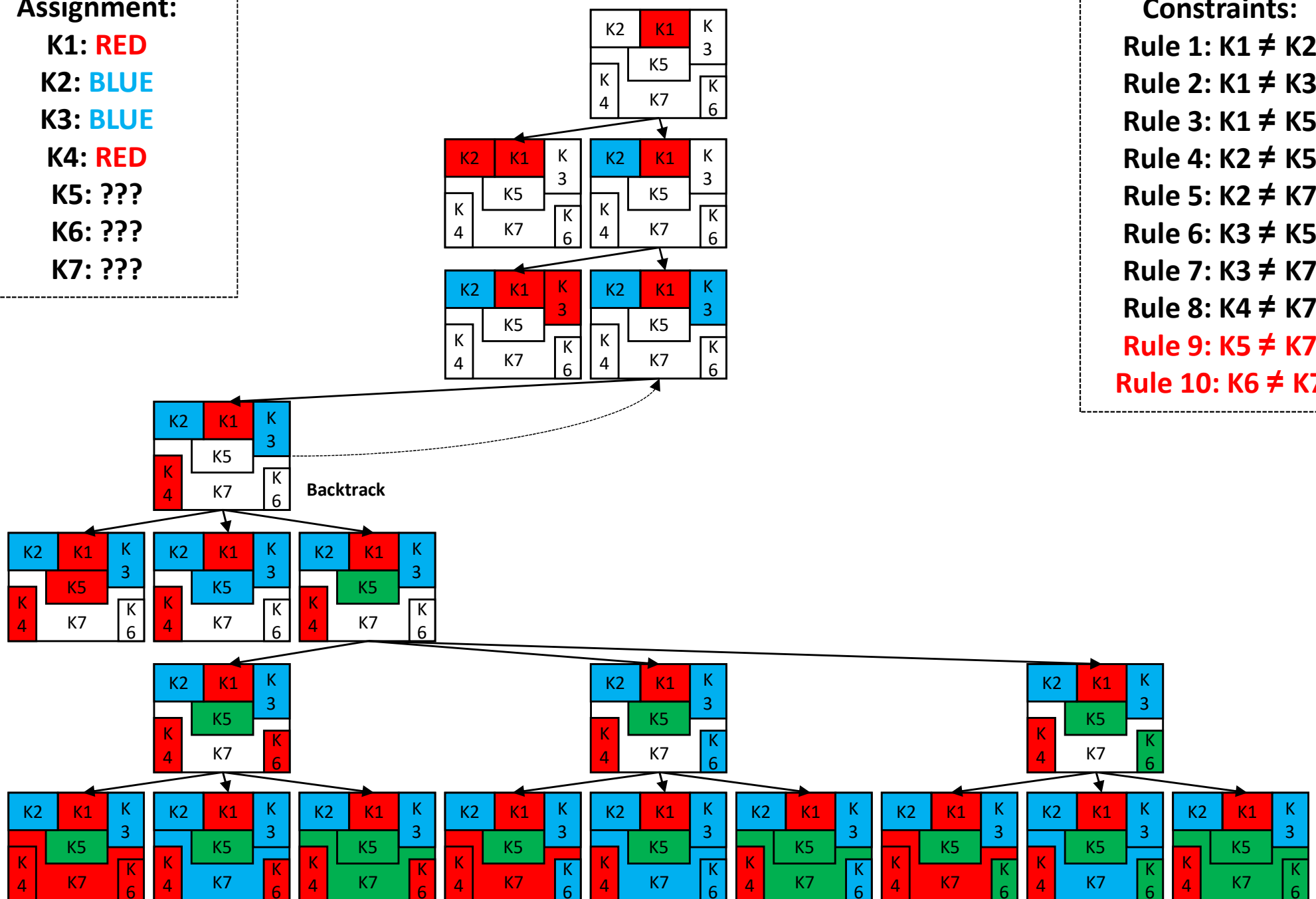
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Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$

Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$

Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

K3: **BLUE**

K4: **BLUE**

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

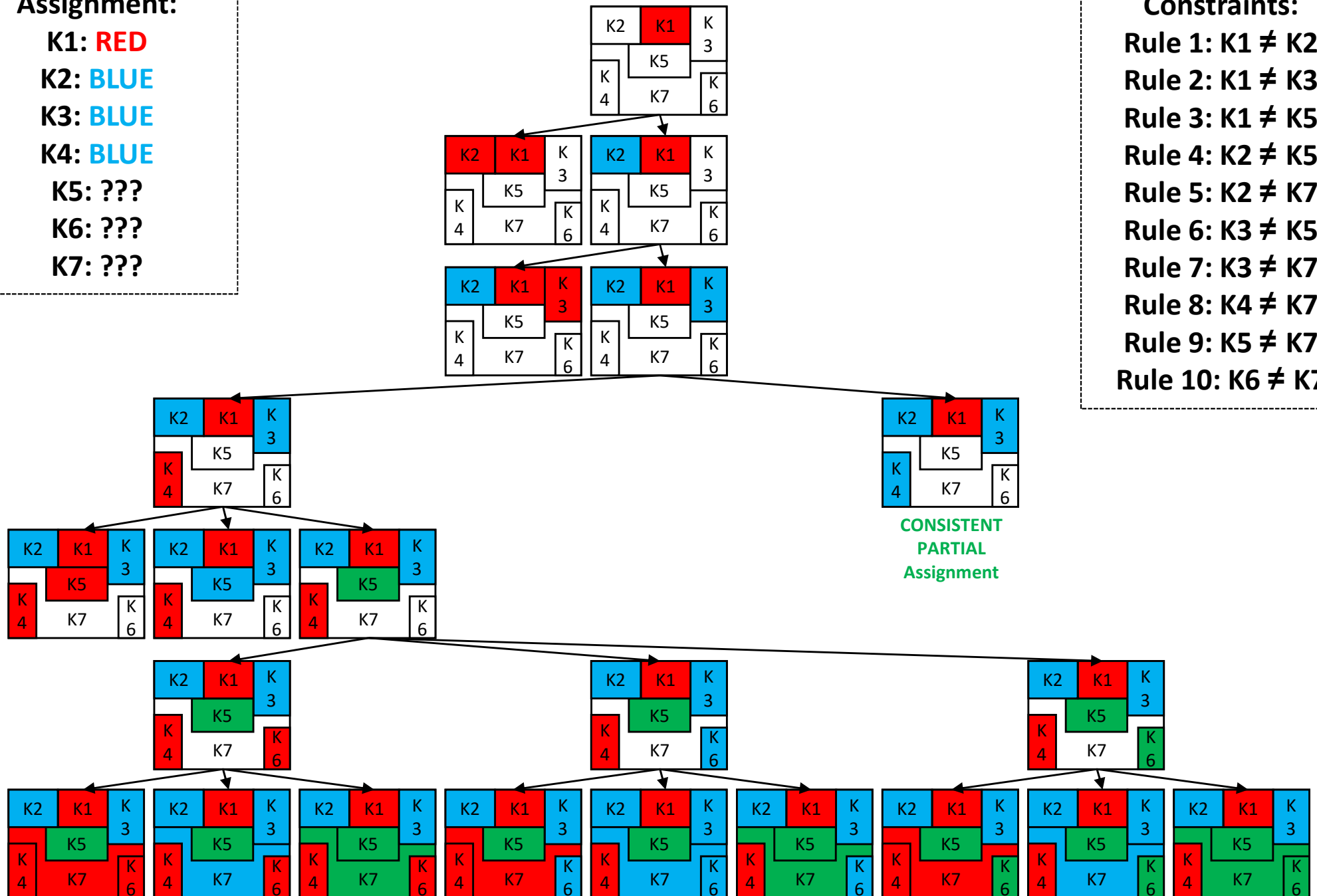
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: BLUE

K5: RED

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$

Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$

Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$

Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

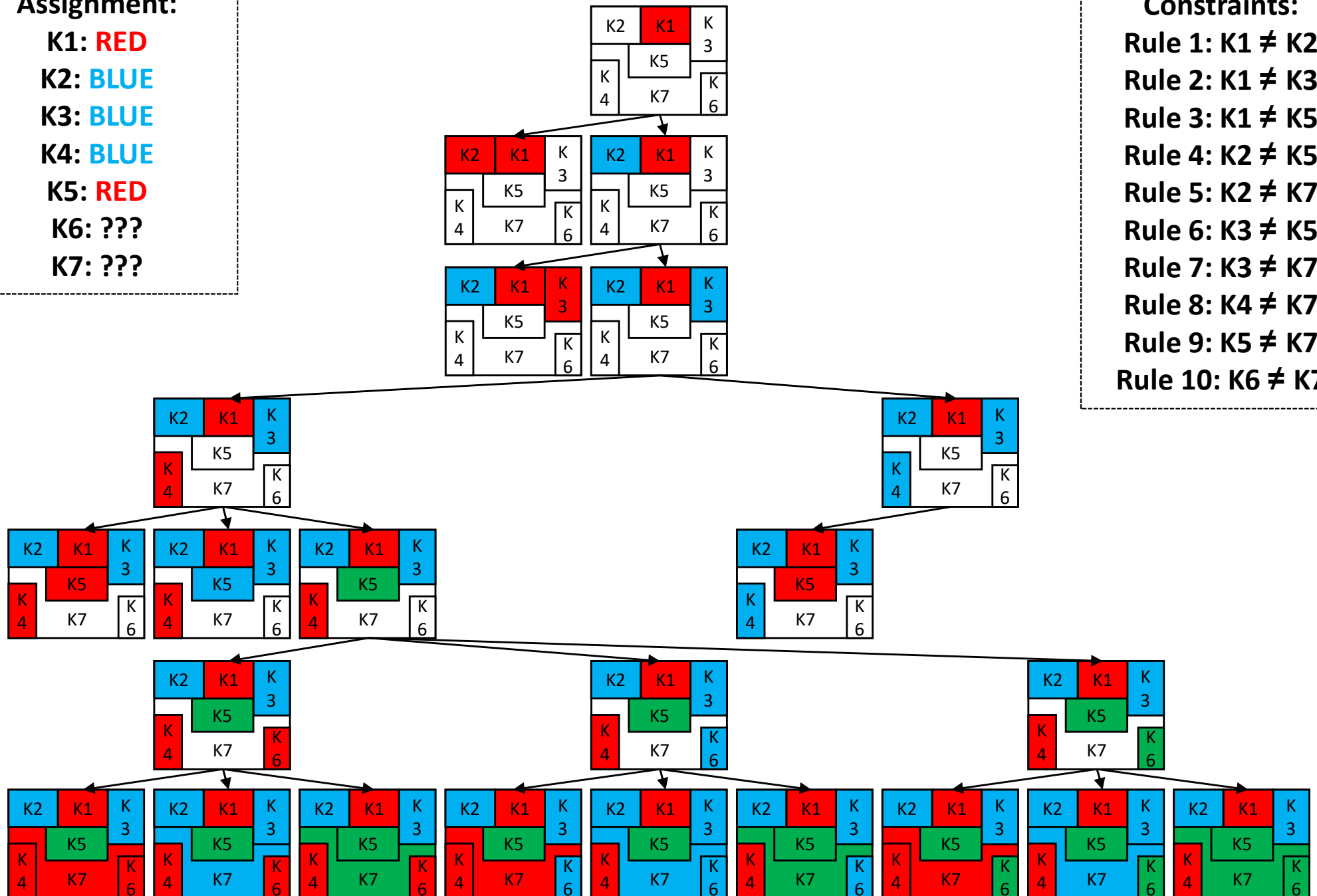
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: BLUE

K5: RED

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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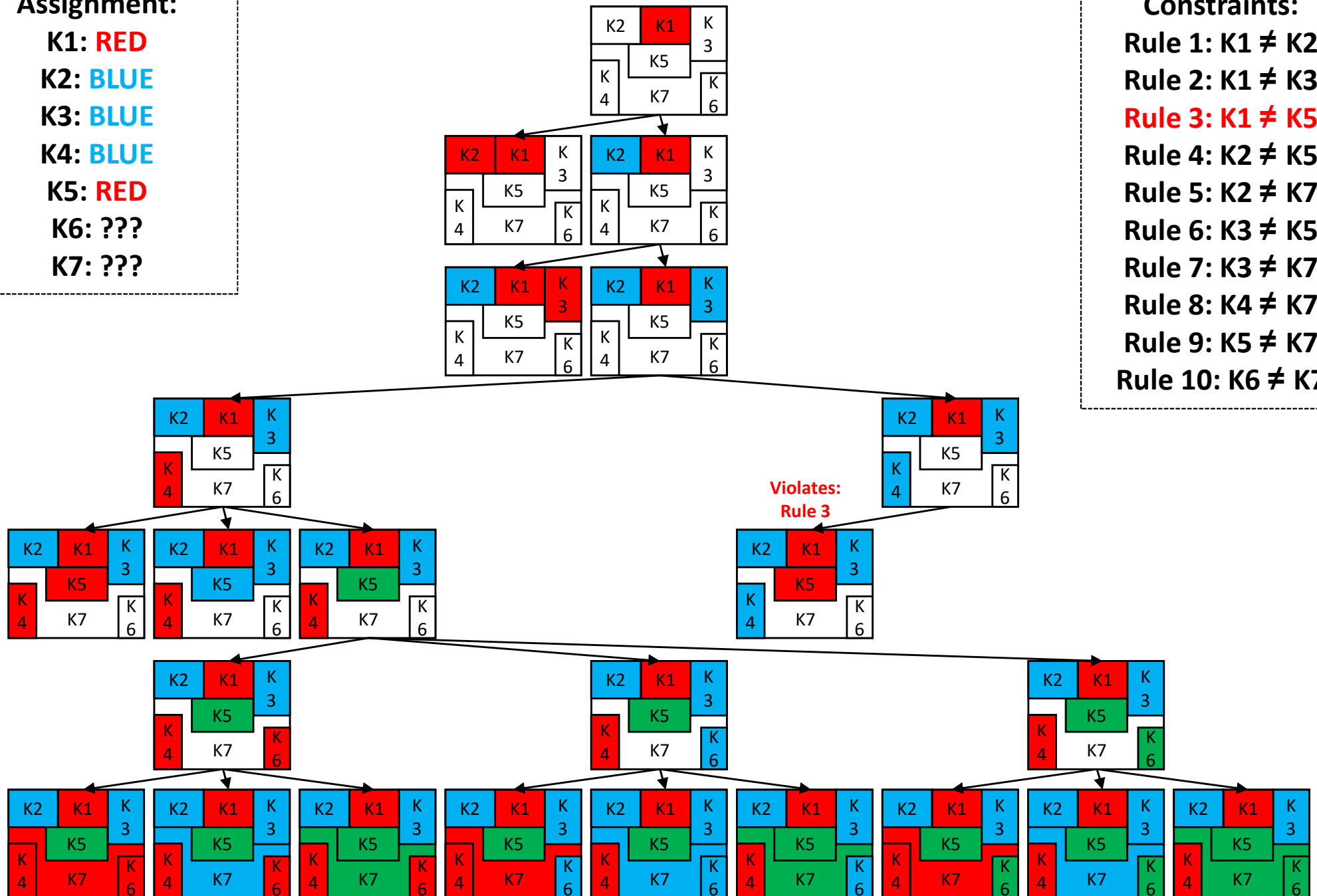
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: **RED**

K2: **BLUE**

K3: **BLUE**

K4: **BLUE**

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$

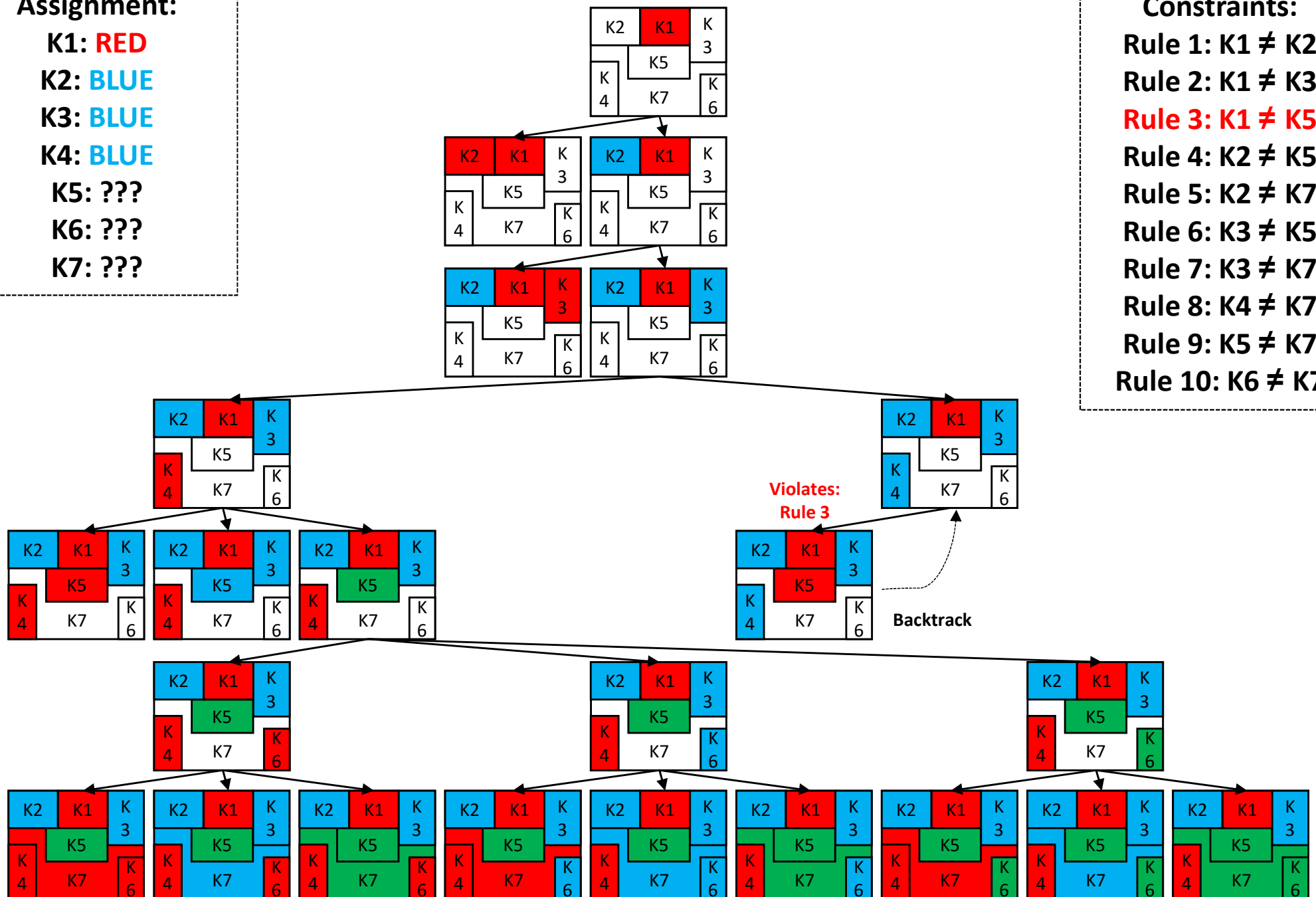
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: **RED**, **BLUE**, **GREEN**

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: BLUE

K5: BLUE

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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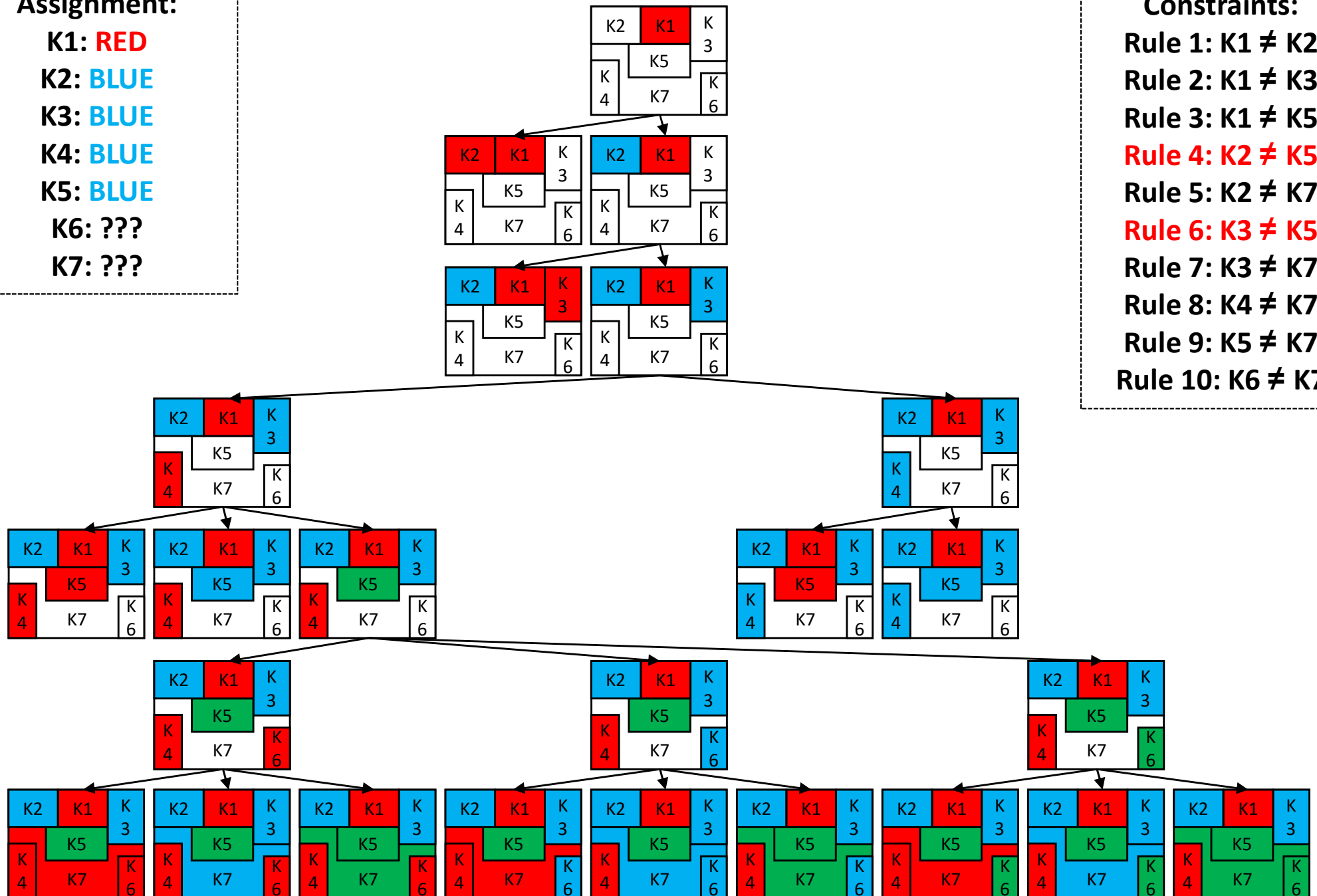
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: BLUE

K5: BLUE

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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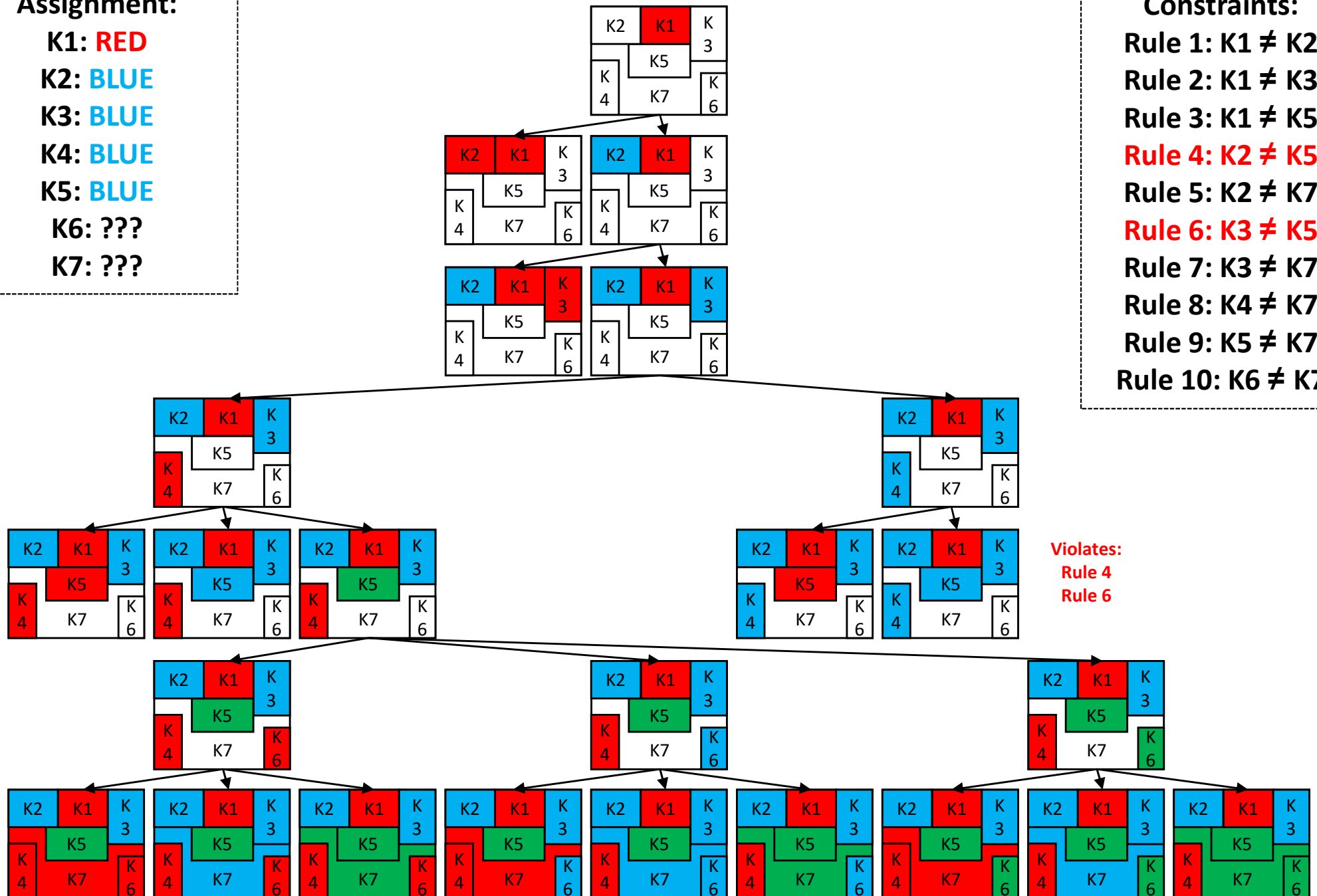
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Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Assignment:

K1: RED

K2: BLUE

K3: BLUE

K4: BLUE

K5: ???

K6: ???

K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$

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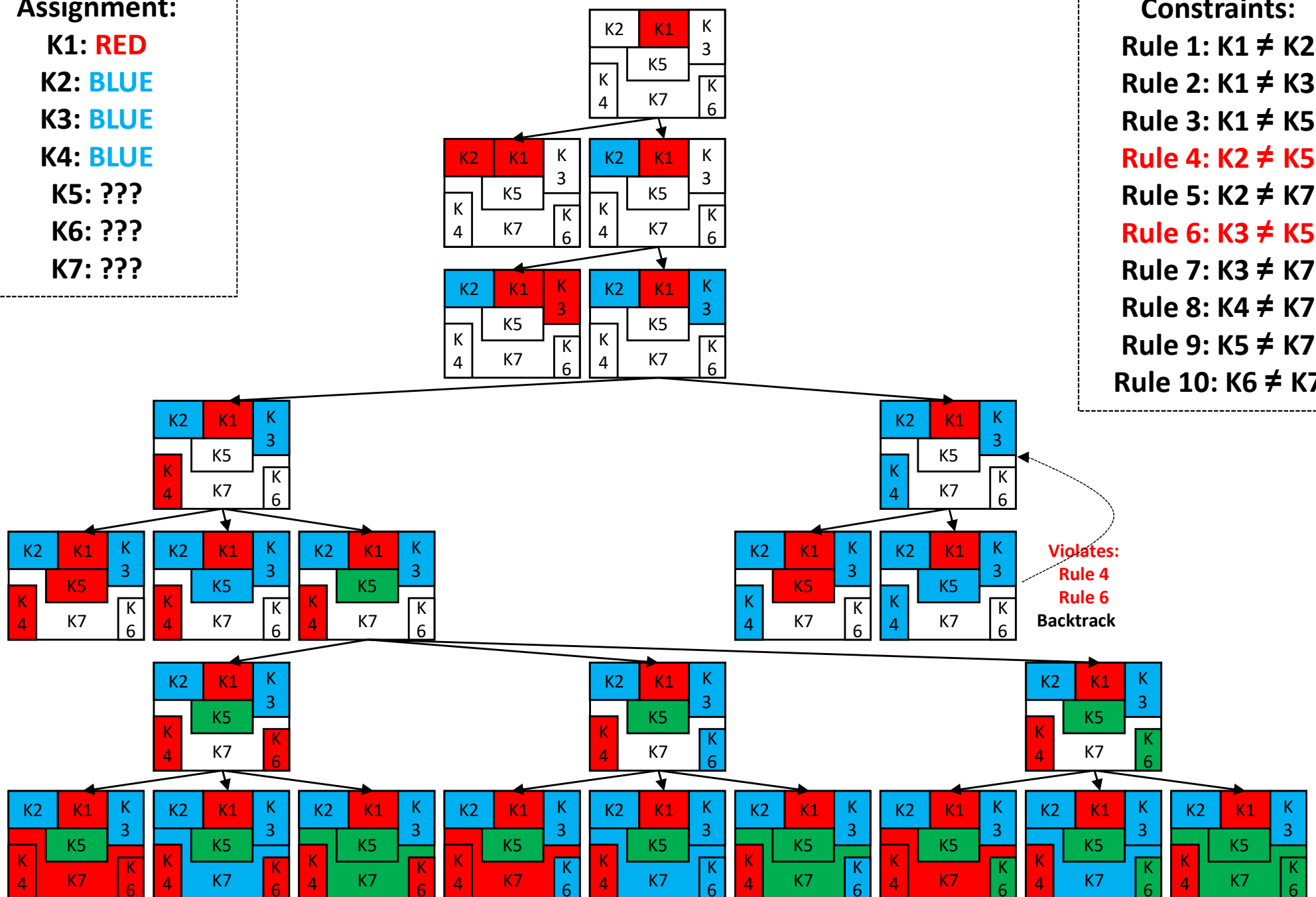
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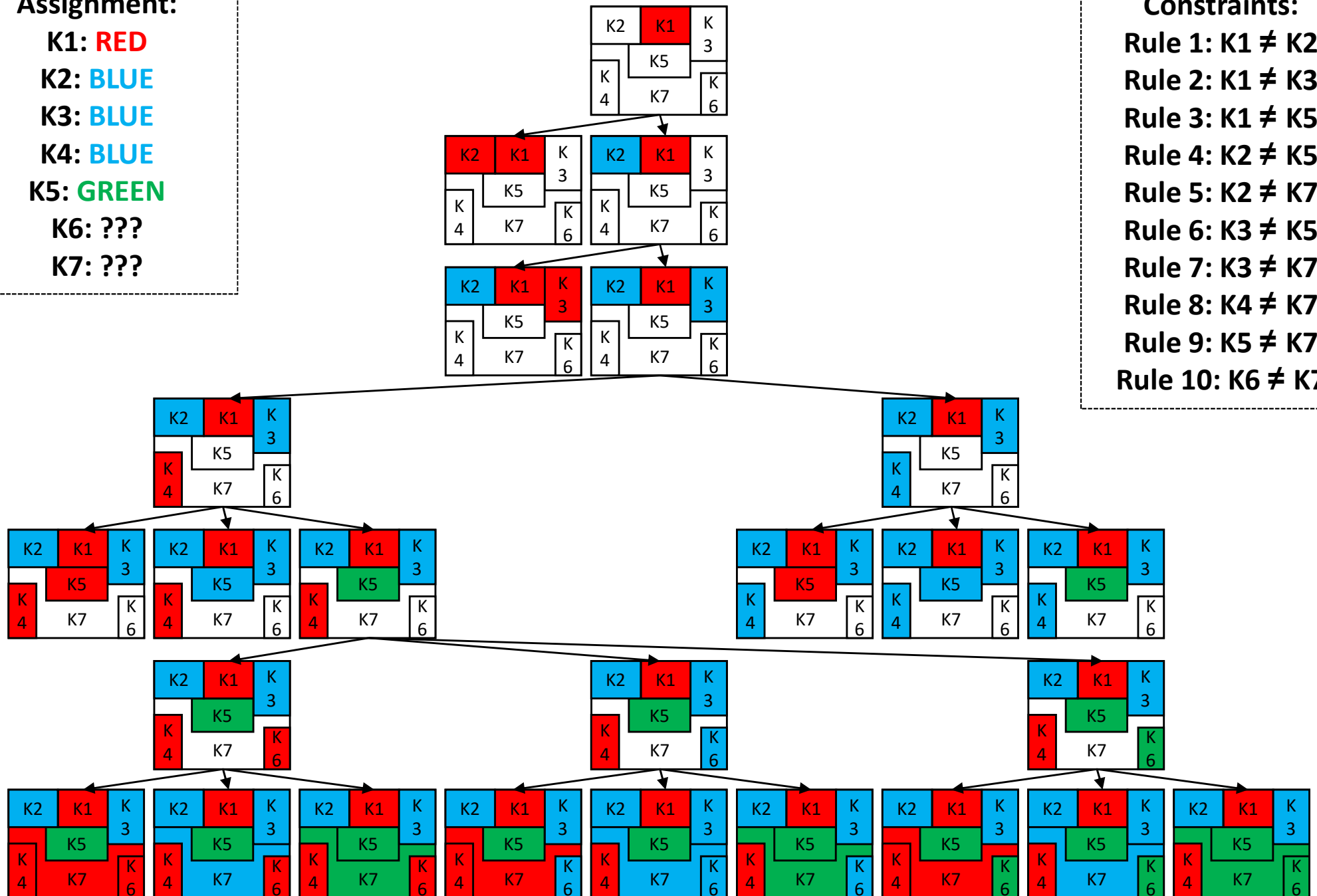
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: BLUE
K5: GREEN
K6: ???
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
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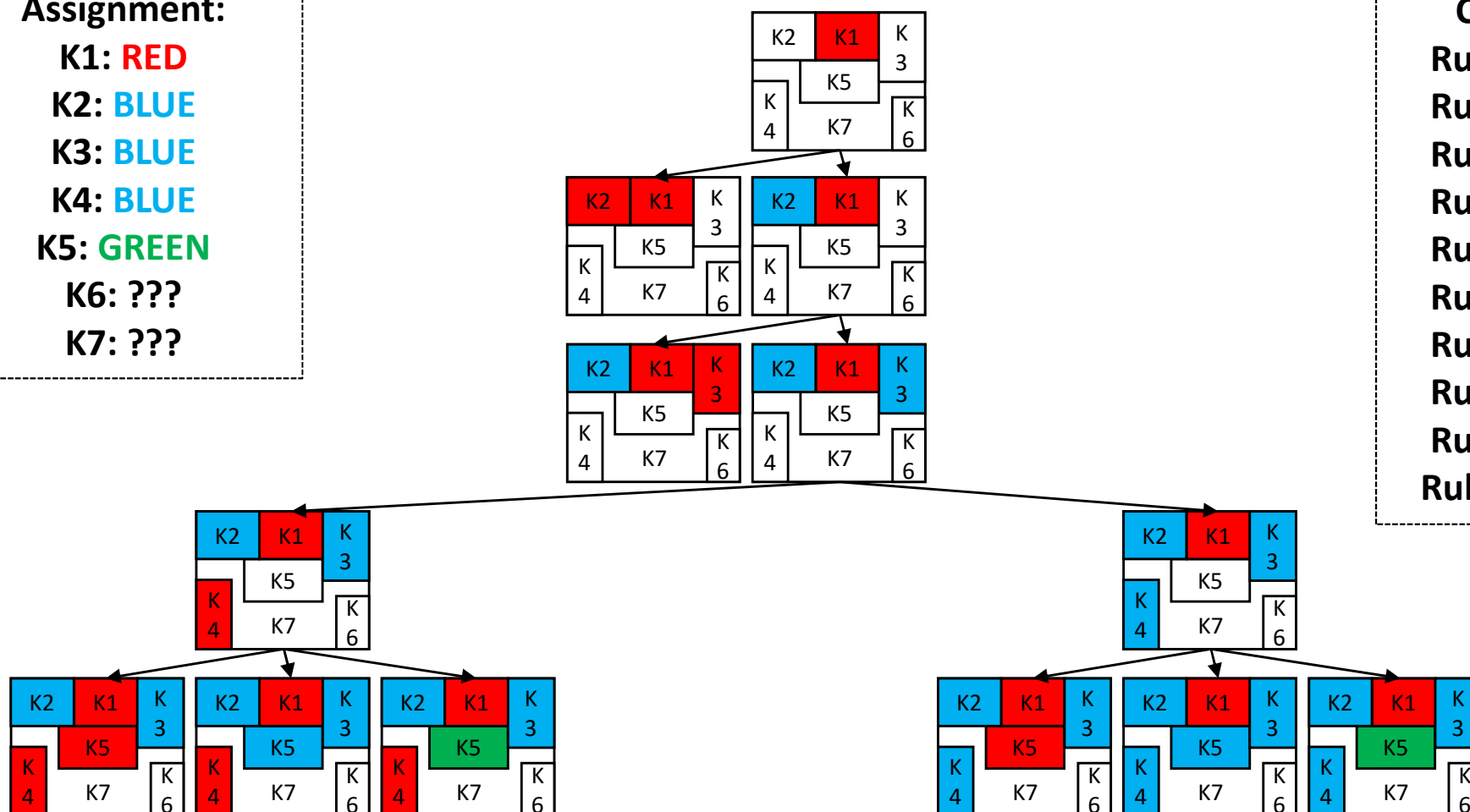


Assignment:

K1: **RED**
K2: **BLUE**
K3: **BLUE**
K4: **BLUE**
K5: **GREEN**
K6: ???
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
Rule 3: $K1 \neq K5$
Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
Rule 5: $K2 \neq K7$
Rule 6: $K3 \neq K5$
Rule 7: $K3 \neq K7$
Rule 8: $K4 \neq K7$
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CONSISTENT
PARTIAL
Assignment

Visited / dead ends

Complete, but inconsistent assignments

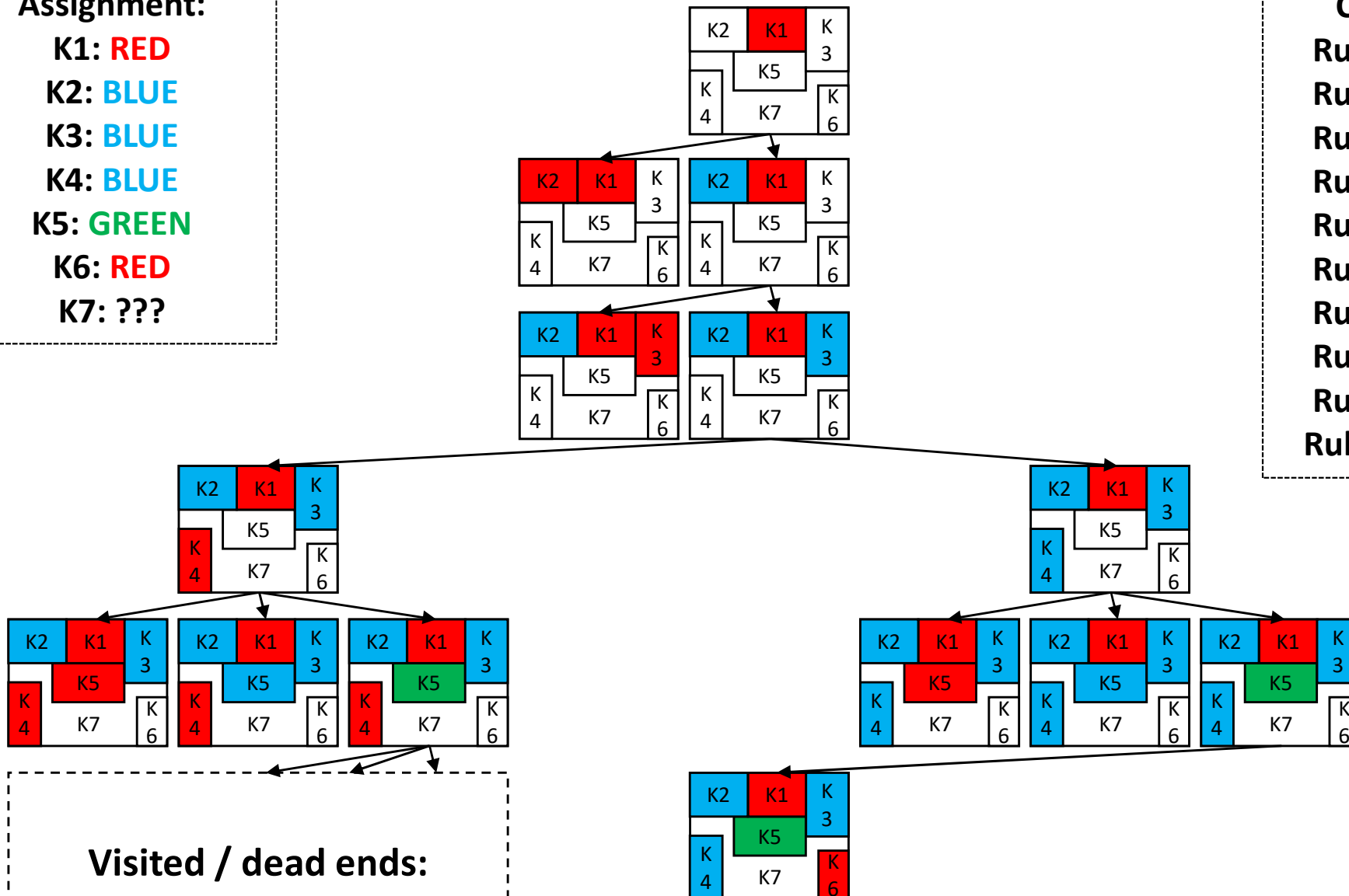
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Assignment:

K1: **RED**
K2: **BLUE**
K3: **BLUE**
K4: **BLUE**
K5: **GREEN**
K6: **RED**
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
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Visited / dead ends:
Complete, but inconsistent
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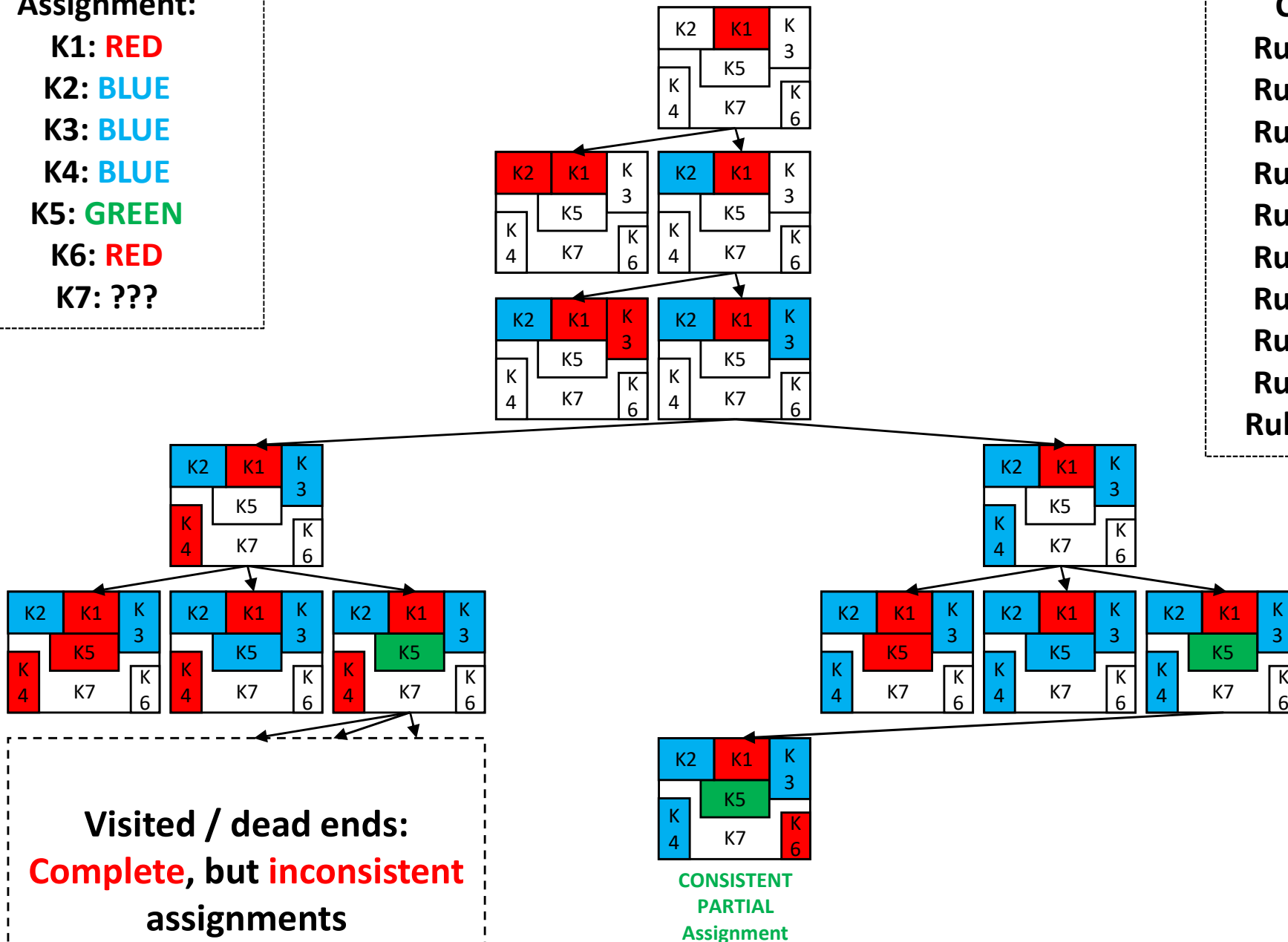
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Assignment:

K1: **RED**
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K3: **BLUE**
K4: **BLUE**
K5: **GREEN**
K6: **RED**
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
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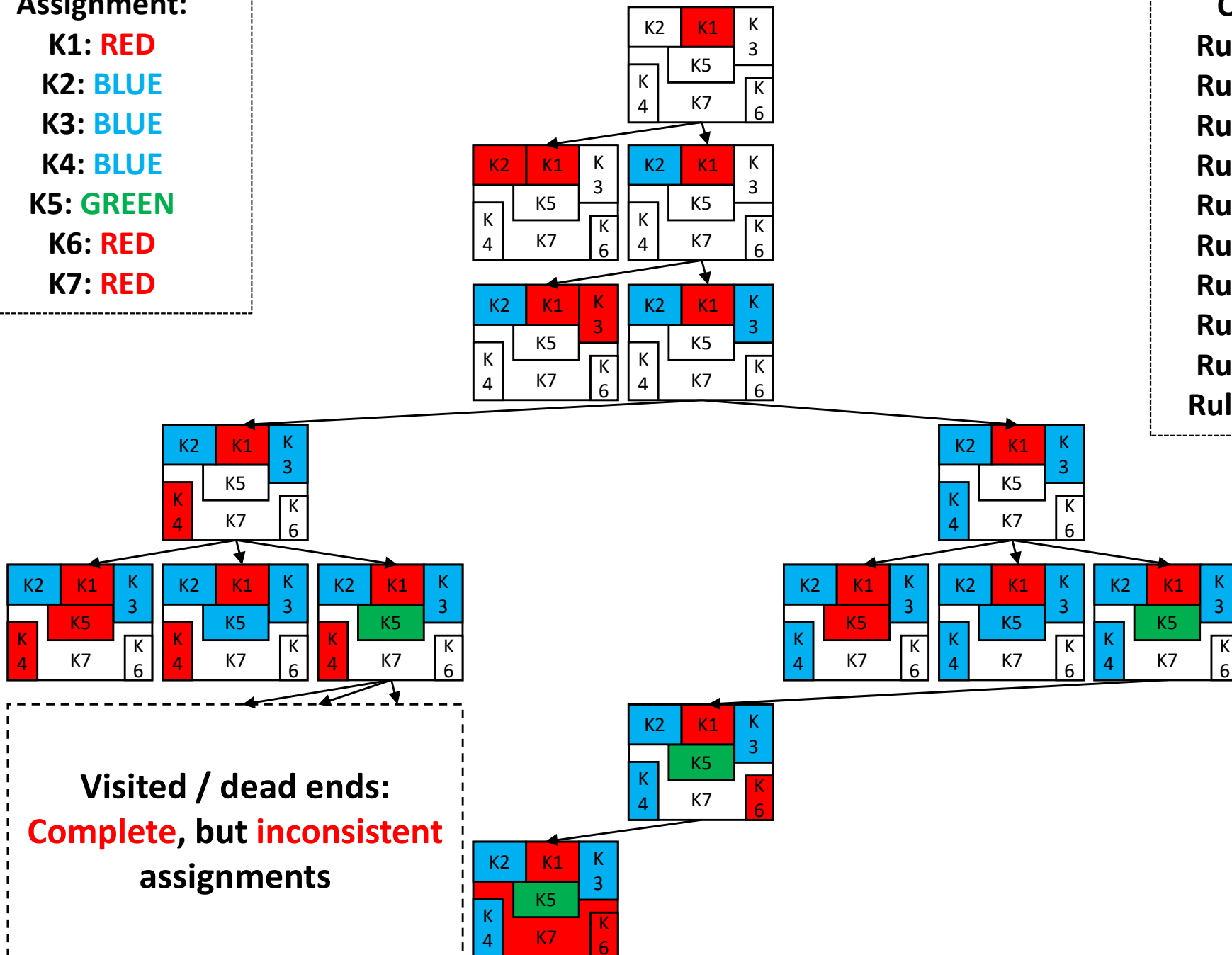
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Assignment:

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K3: BLUE
K4: BLUE
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: RED

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
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Rule 4: $K2 \neq K5$
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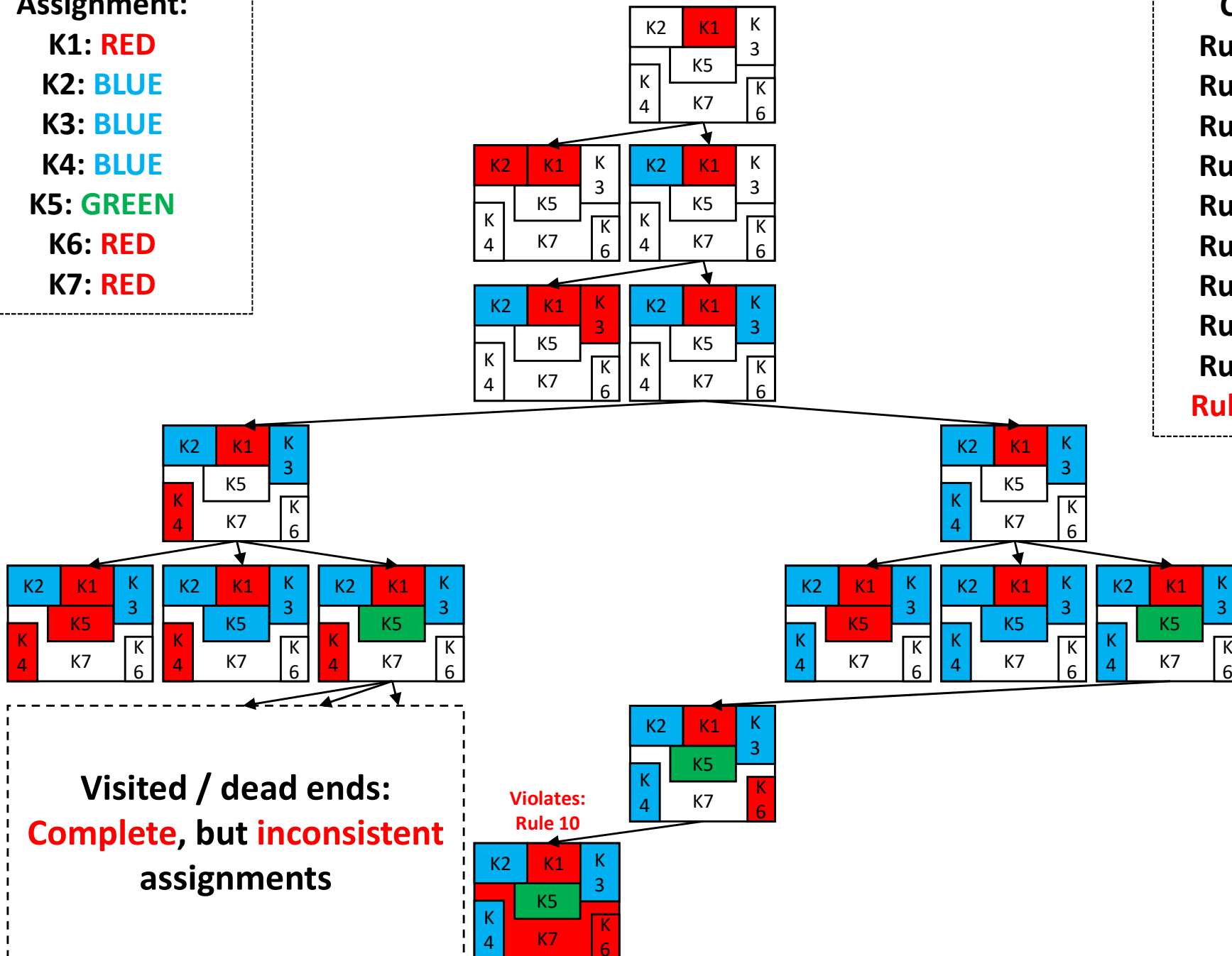
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Assignment:

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K4: BLUE
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: RED

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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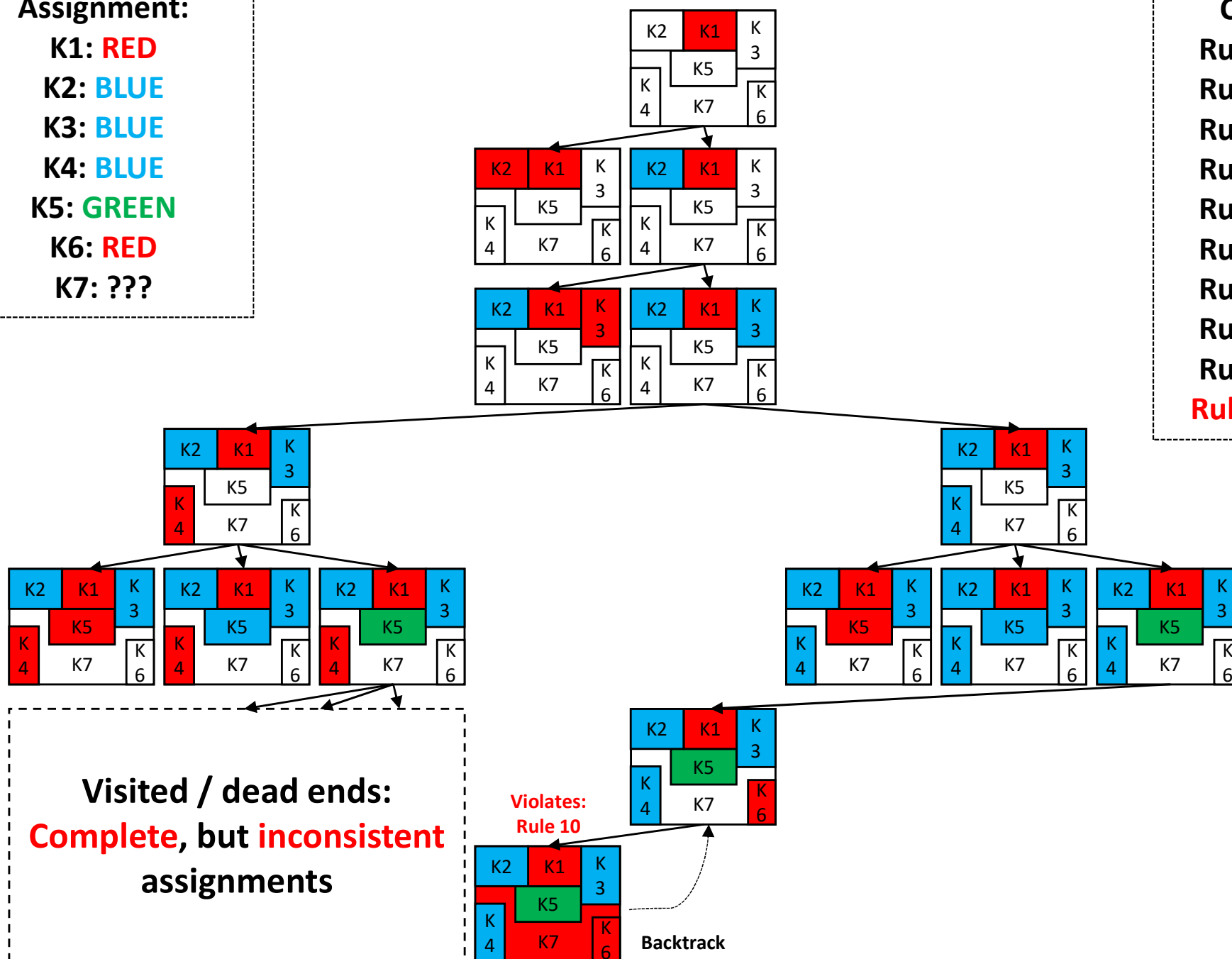
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Assignment:

K1: RED
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K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: ???

Constraints:

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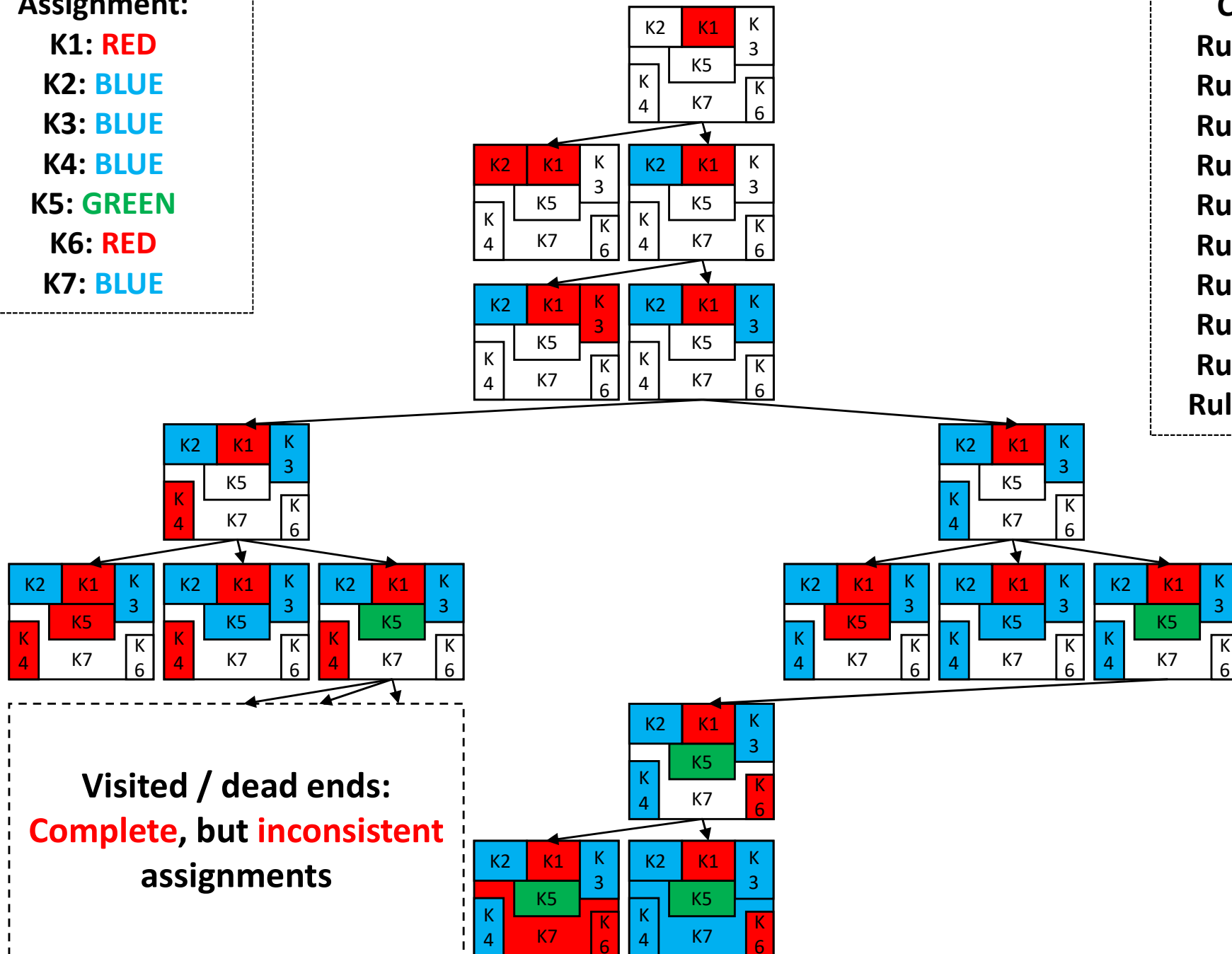
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Assignment:

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K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: BLUE

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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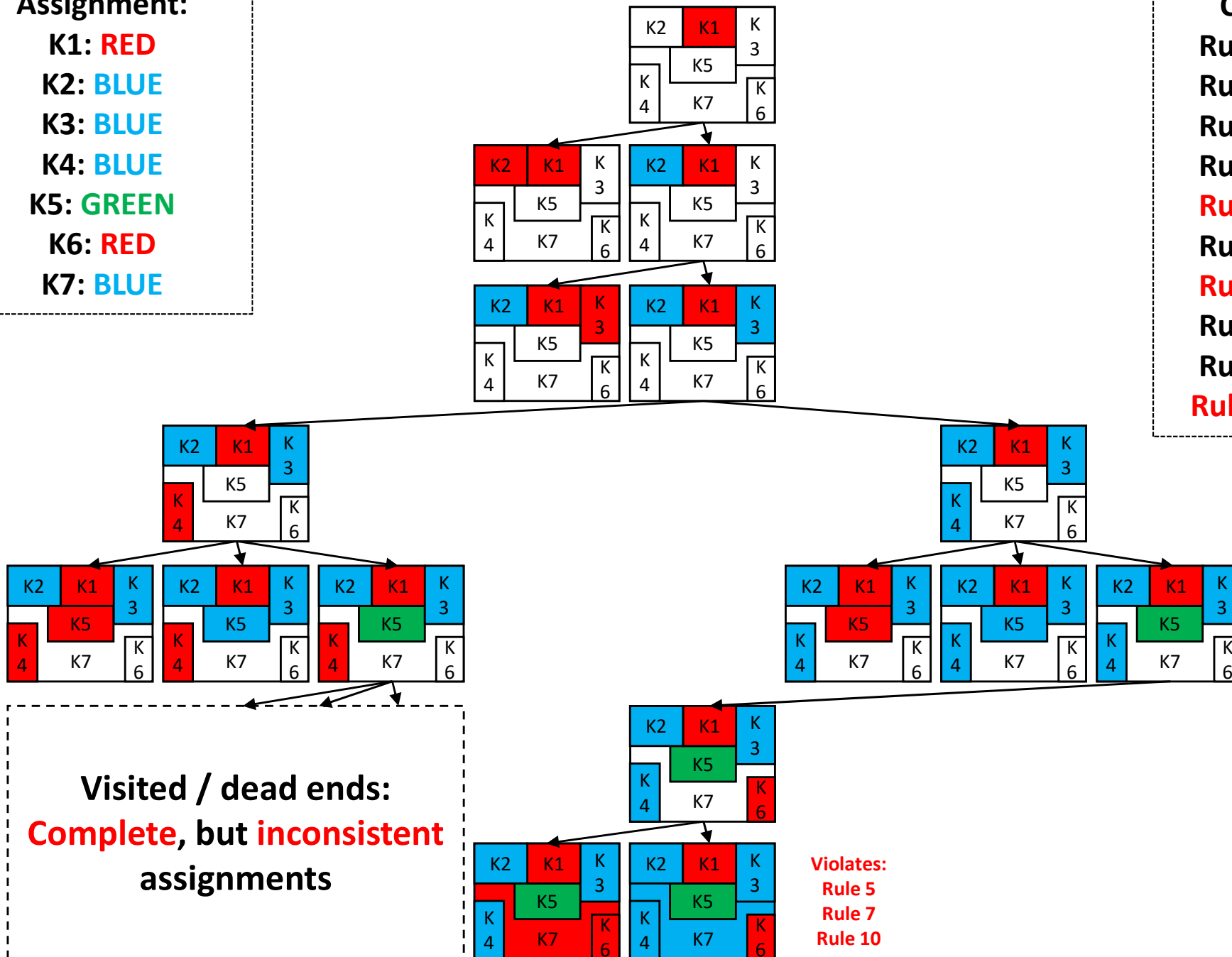
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Assignment:

K1: RED
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K4: BLUE
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: BLUE

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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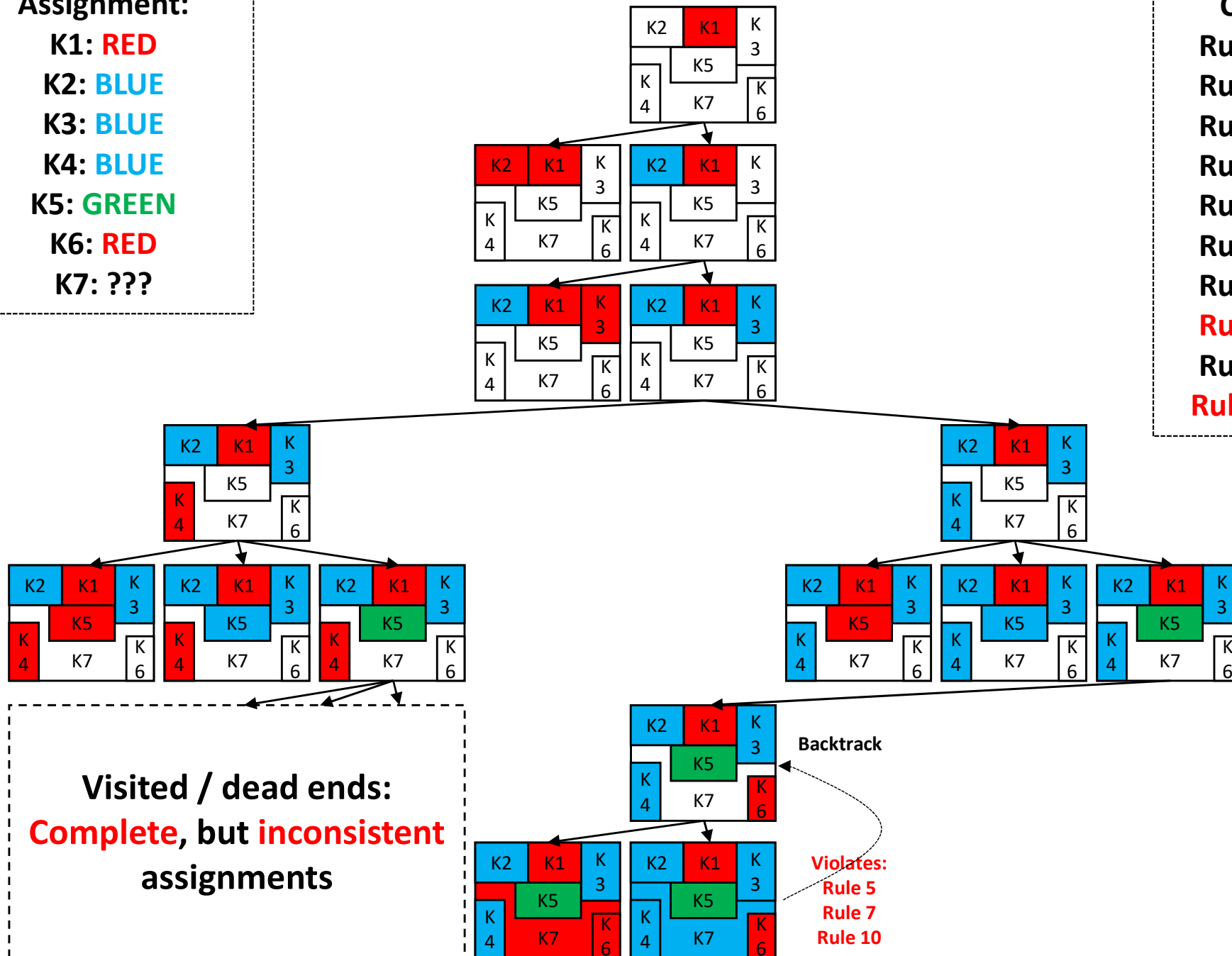
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Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
K4: BLUE
K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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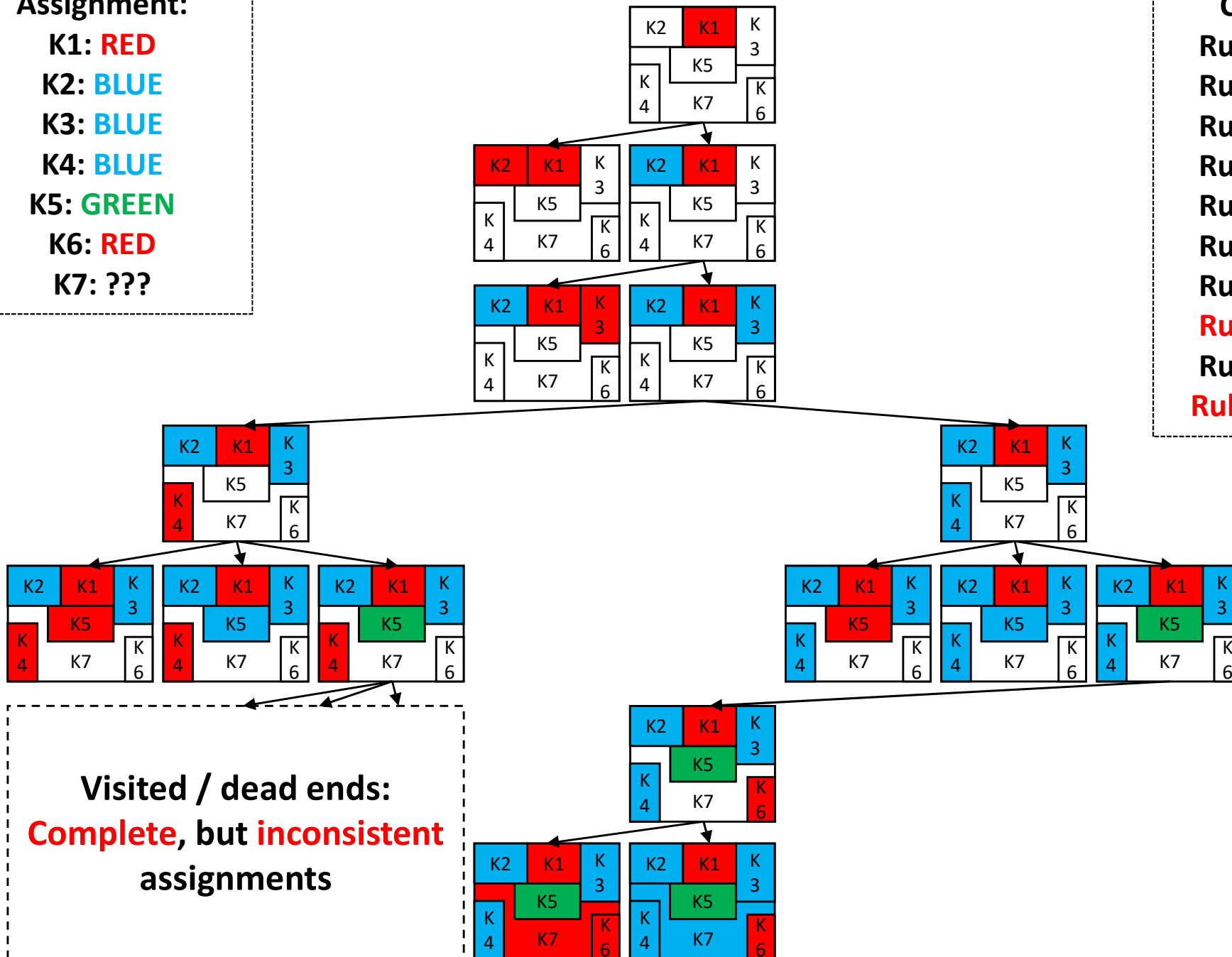
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Assignment:

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K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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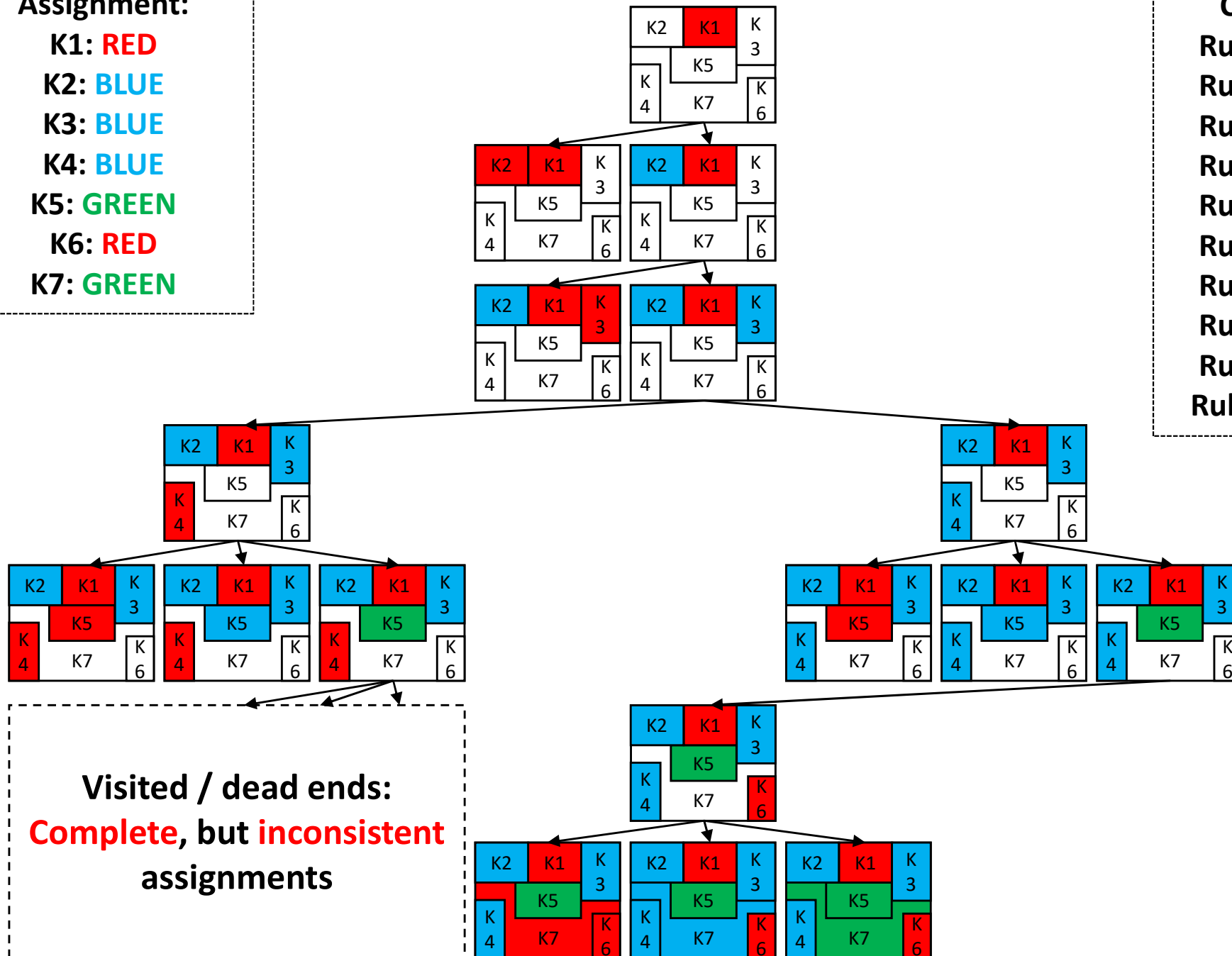
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K7: GREEN

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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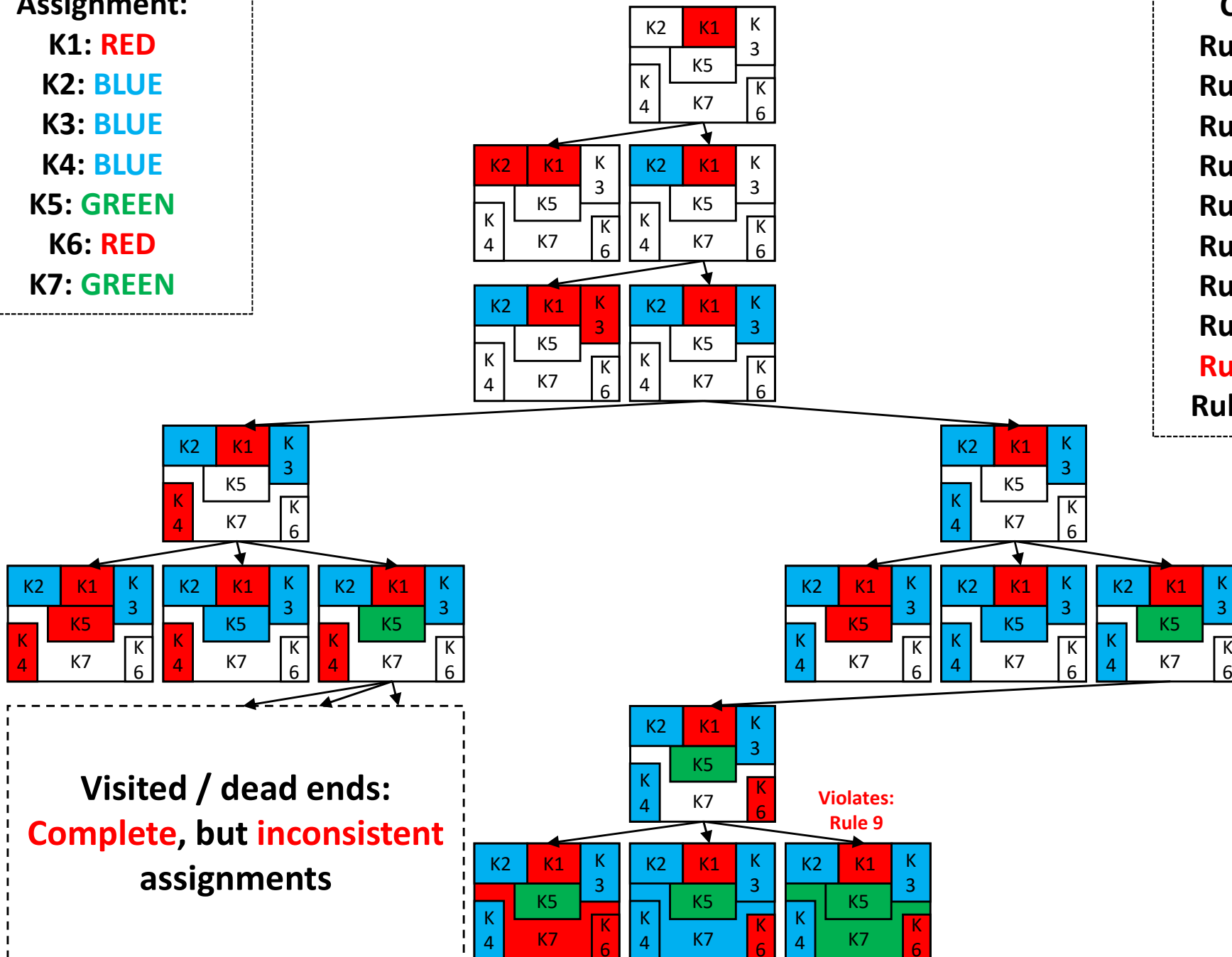
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K5: GREEN
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K7: GREEN

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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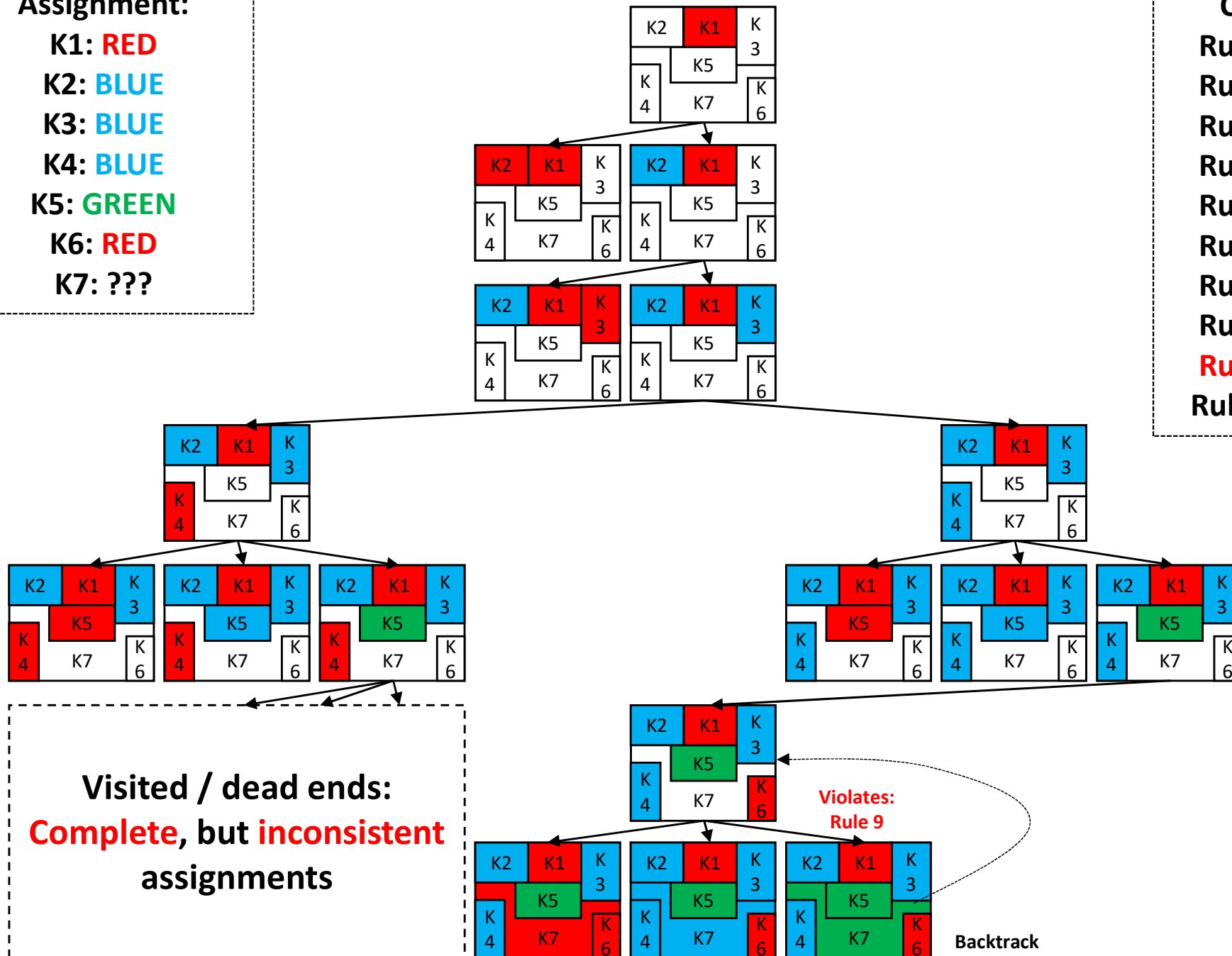


Assignment:

K1: RED
K2: BLUE
K3: BLUE
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K5: GREEN
K6: RED
K7: ???

Constraints:

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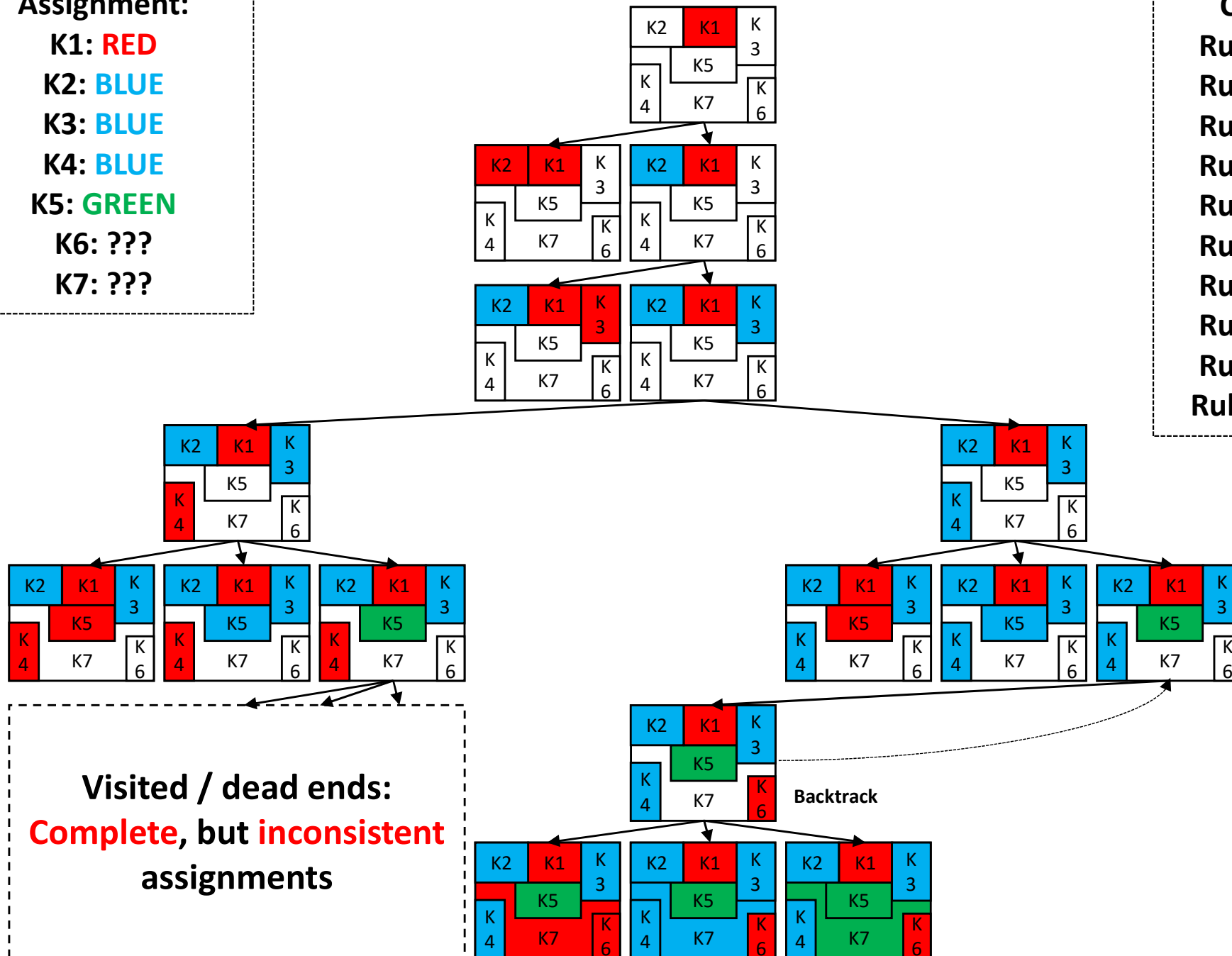
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Assignment:

K1: **RED**
K2: **BLUE**
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K4: **BLUE**
K5: **GREEN**
K6: ???
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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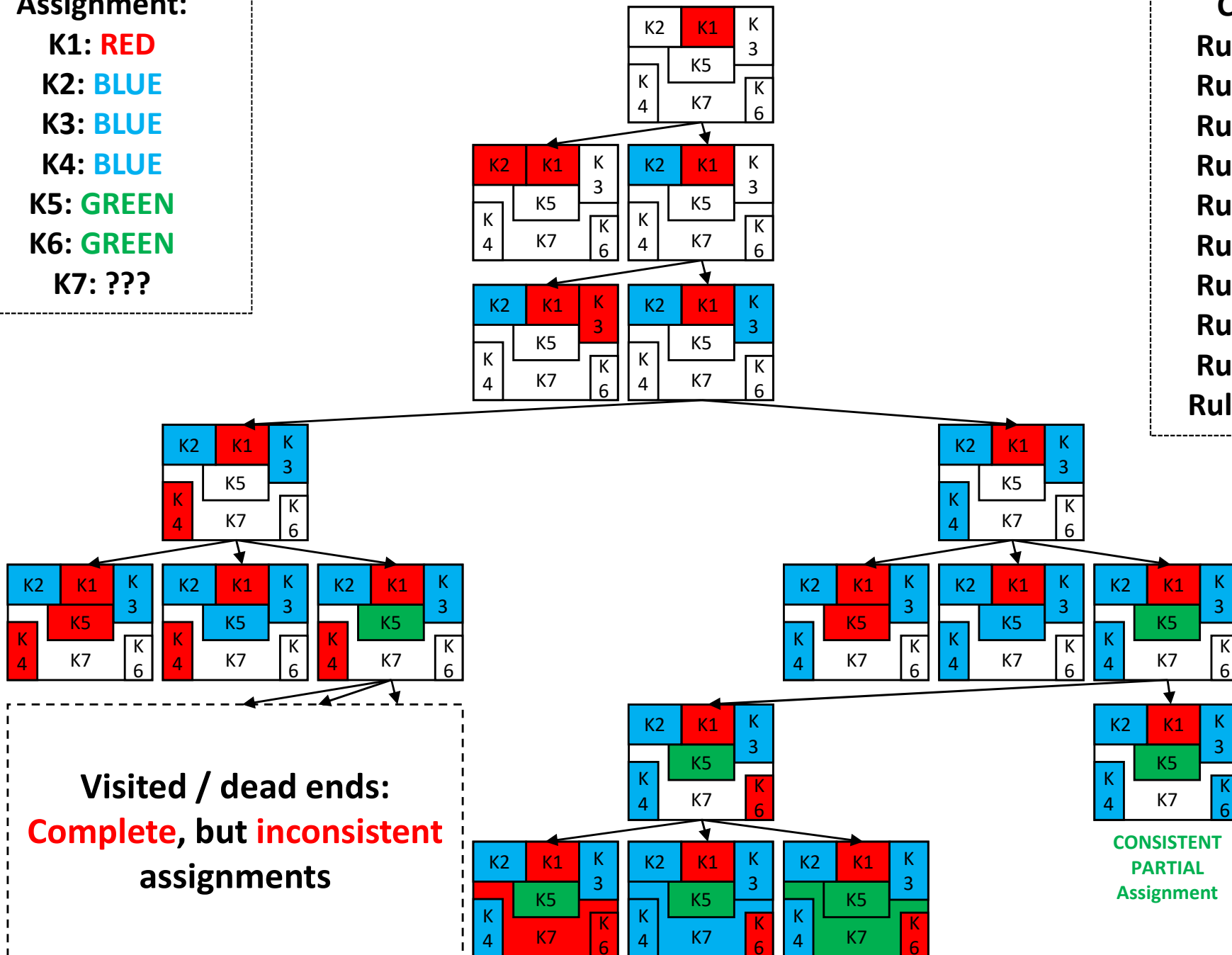
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Assignment:

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K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: ???

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
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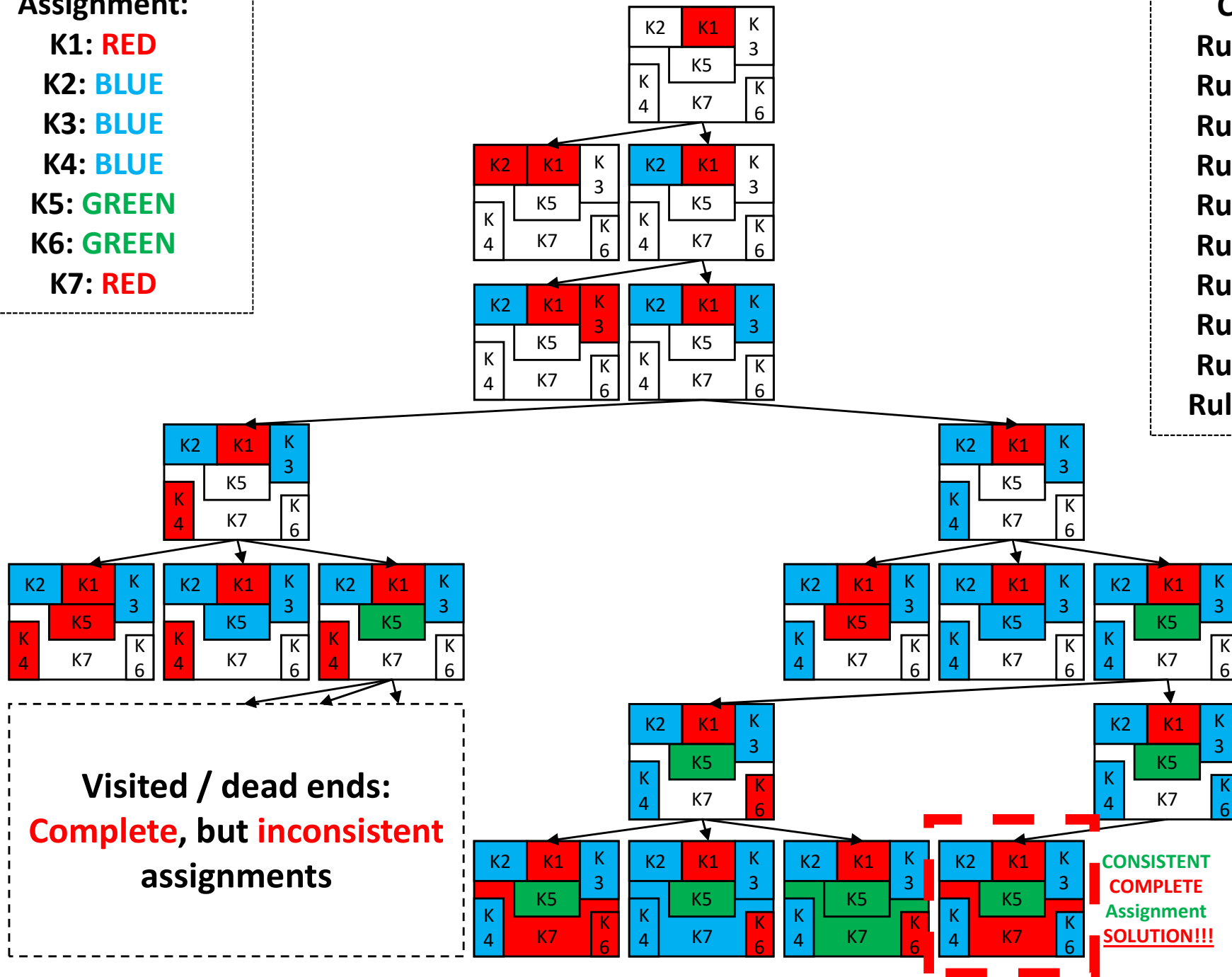
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Assignment:

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K4: BLUE
K5: GREEN
K6: GREEN
K7: RED

Constraints:

Rule 1: $K1 \neq K2$
Rule 2: $K1 \neq K3$
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Rule 9: $K5 \neq K7$
Rule 10: $K6 \neq K7$



Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7 | Value assignment order: RED, BLUE, GREEN

Can We Do Better?

CSP Backtracking: Pseudocode

function BACKTRACKING-SEARCH(*csp*) **returns** a solution or *failure*
 return BACKTRACK(*csp*, { })

function BACKTRACK(*csp*, *assignment*) **returns** a solution or *failure*
 if *assignment* is complete **then return** *assignment*

var \leftarrow SELECT-UNASSIGNED-VARIABLE(*csp*, *assignment*)

for each *value* **in** ORDER-DOMAIN-VALUES(*csp*, *var*, *assignment*) **do**

if *value* is consistent with *assignment* **then**

 add {*var* = *value*} to *assignment*

inferences \leftarrow INFERENCE(*csp*, *var*, *assignment*)

if *inferences* \neq *failure* **then**

 add *inferences* to *csp*

result \leftarrow BACKTRACK(*csp*, *assignment*)

if *result* \neq *failure* **then return** *result*

 remove *inferences* from *csp*

 remove {*var* = *value*} from *assignment*

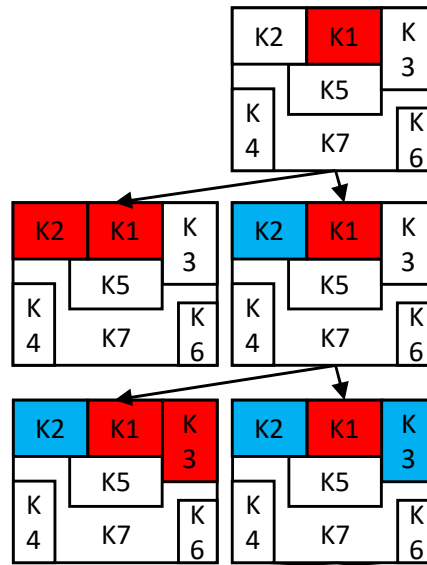
return *failure*

Which variable
should we choose to
assign a value to
next?
Does it matter?

**Variable assignment
order:**

K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6,
K7

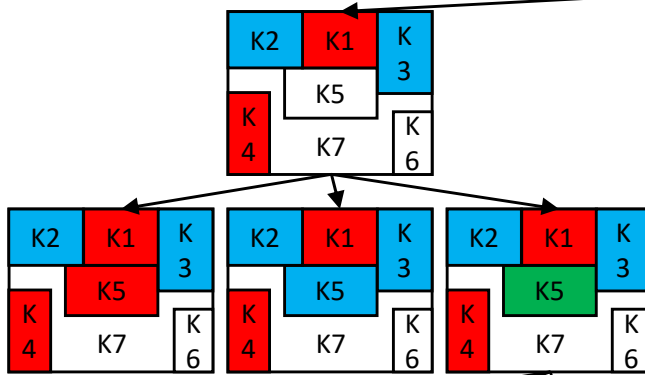
**(but do we have to
keep that order?)**



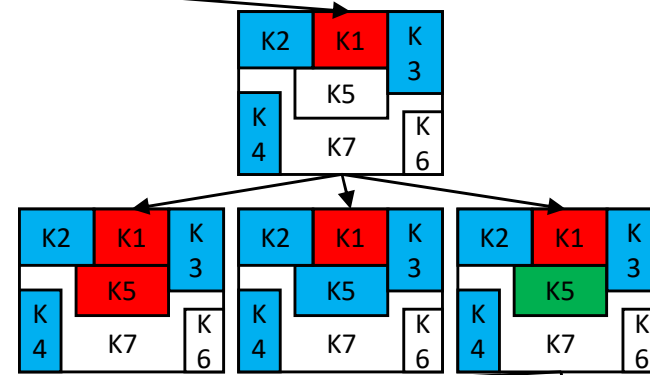
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K2 = ???

K3 = ???

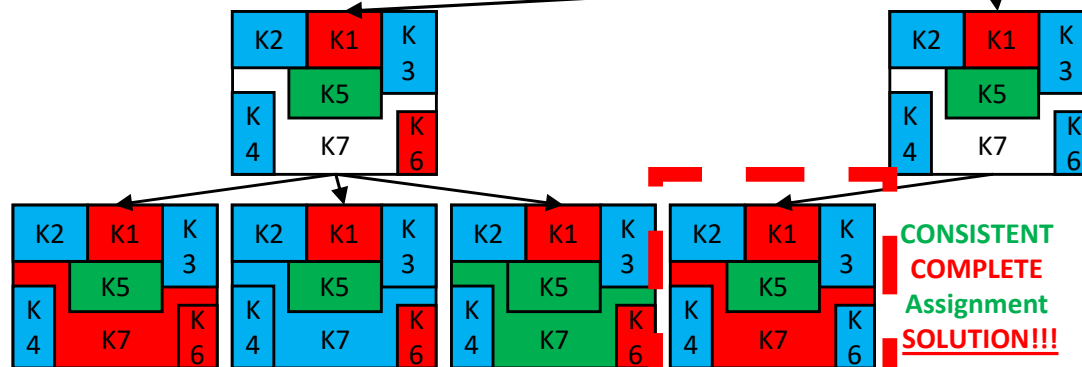


K4 = ???



K5 = ???

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K6 = ???

K7 = ???

Variable assignment order: K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6, K7

**CONSISTENT
COMPLETE
Assignment
SOLUTION!!!**

Variable Ordering: Alternatives

function BACKTRACKING-SEARCH(*csp*) **returns** a solution or *failure*
return BACKTRACK(*csp*, { })

function BACKTRACK(*csp*, *assignment*) **returns** a solution or *failure*
if *assignment* is complete **then return** *assignment*

var \leftarrow SELECT-UNASSIGNED-VARIABLE(*csp*, *assignment*)

for each *value* **in** ORDER-DOMAIN-VALUES(*csp*, *var*, *assignment*) **do**

if *value* is consistent with *assignment* **then**

add {*var* = *value*} to *assignment*

inferences \leftarrow INFERENCE(*csp*, *var*, *assignment*)

if *inferences* \neq *failure* **then**

add *inferences* to *csp*

result \leftarrow BACKTRACK(*csp*, *assignment*)

if *result* \neq *failure* **then return** *result*

remove *inferences* from *csp*

remove {*var* = *value*} from *assignment*

return *failure*

You can modify this function to **change the variable ordering** and potentially improve performance

Variable Ordering: Alternatives

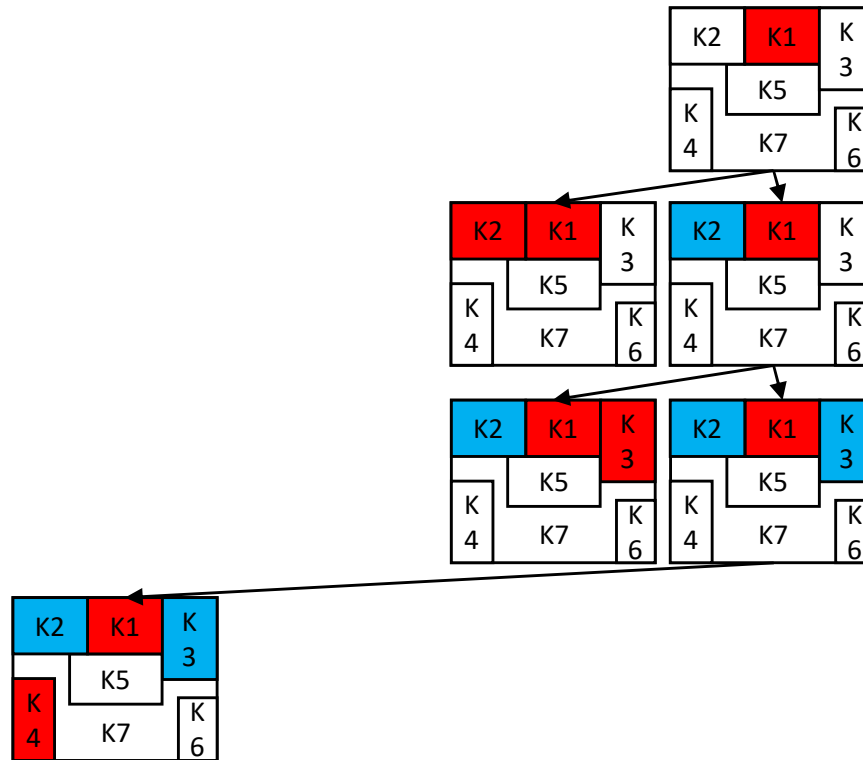
CSP Backtracking algorithm can use a number of variable ordering strategies:

- **Static:** choose the variables in order (we did that)
- **Random:** order variables in random sequence
- **Minimum-remaining-values (MRV) heuristic:**
 - choose the variable with the “fewest” legal values
- **Degree heuristic:**
 - choose the variable involved in the largest amount of constraints on other unassigned variables
 - choose the variable with highest node degree on a constraint graph

Variable Ordering: MRV Heuristic

As CSP Backtracking algorithm progresses, the number of possible value assignments for each variable will shrink (due to constraints):

- **MRV uses “fail-first” heuristics (also called “most constrained variable” heuristics)**
- **MRV picks a variable with lowest value assignment options “left”**
 - **expecting to limit exploration depth**
 - **likely to find a failure assignment faster**
- **Usually better than static and random orderings on average**



K1 = ???

K2 = ???

K3 = ???

K4 = ???

Which variable to explore next (ignore the EXPECTED sequence on the right)?

Available options:

K5: {GREEN}

K6: {RED, BLUE, GREEN}

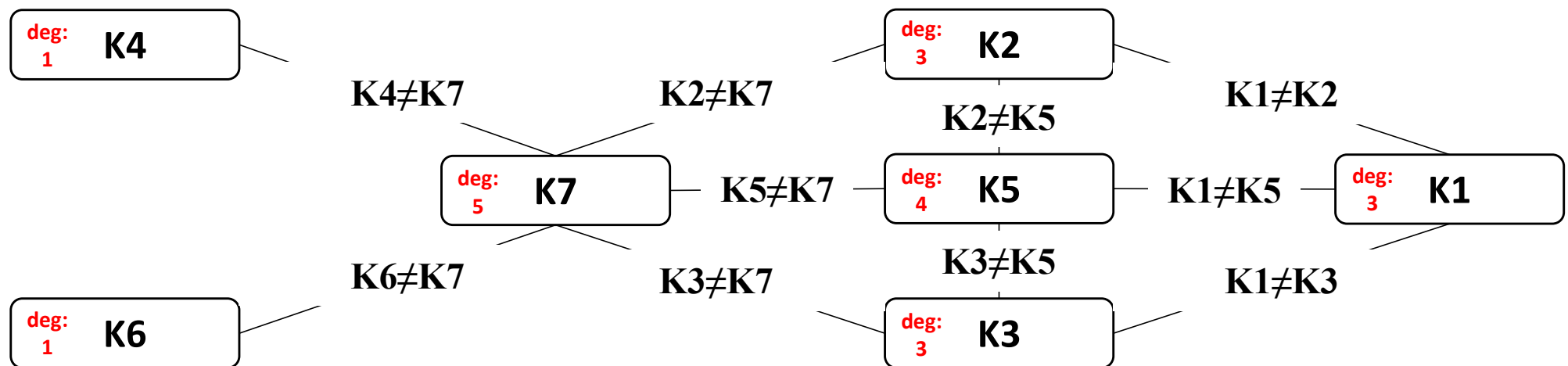
K7: {GREEN}

MRV should pick K5 or K7
("fail first" variable).

Tie needs to be resolved.

Variable Ordering: Degree Heuristics

Consider the following constraint graph representation of the problem we analyzed:



- degree heuristics is considered less effective than MRV
- degree heuristics can be used as a tie-breaker (two variables with the same “potential” according to MRV)
- attempts to reduce the branching factor on future choices

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if *inferences* \neq *failure* **then**

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result \leftarrow BACKTRACK(*csp*, *assignment*)

if *result* \neq *failure* **then return** *result*

remove *inferences* from *csp*

remove {*var* = *value*} from *assignment*

return *failure*

You can modify this order to **change the value assignment ordering** and potentially improve performance

Least-Constraining-Value Heuristics

We picked (SELECT-UNASSIGNED-VARIABLE) the next variable to assign a value to and we have a number of values to choose from. What next?

- use the least-constraining-value heuristic
 - picks a value that **rules out the fewest choices for neighboring variables in the constraining graph** (increase **flexibility for FUTURE** assignments)
 - ORDER-DOMAIN-VALUES is the function that orders values here

