

# Background

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## Outline

- Graph algorithms
- Functional expression
- Binary Decision Diagram (BDD)

## Elementary Graph Theory

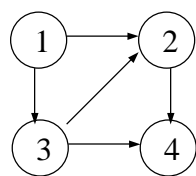
- A graph  $G = (V, E)$ 
  - $V$ : a finite non-empty set of vertices
  - $E$ : a set of edges  $(v, w)$ , where  $v, w \in V$
- Directed vs. Undirected Graph
  - If the pair  $(v, w)$  is ordered, the graph is **directed**.
    - $v$  is the tail and  $w$  is the head.
  - Otherwise, the graph is **undirected**.
- Tree: a graph with no undirected cycles

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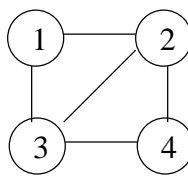
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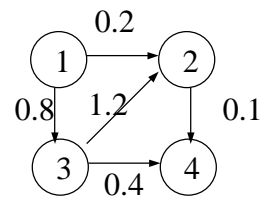
## Graph Examples



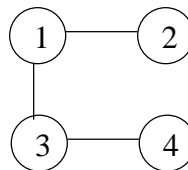
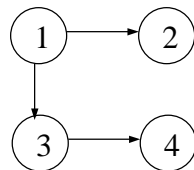
Directed, Acyclic  
(DAG)



Undirected



Weighted (Labeled)



Trees

Trees have no  
undirected cycles

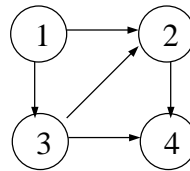
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## Graph Representation

- Adjacent list
  - Topological representation of the graph with vertices, edges, and associated properties
- Adjacent matrix



	1	2	3	4
1	0	1	1	0
2	0	0	0	1
3	0	1	0	1
4	0	0	0	0

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## Graph Search Algorithms

- Search a given graph for special properties
- Two common techniques
  - Depth first search (DFS)
    - Implemented with a stack (implicitly)
  - Breadth first search
    - Implemented with a queue

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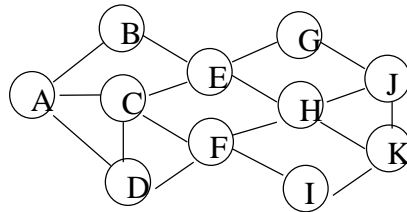
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## Depth First Search

```

dfs(G, u) {
  foreach (v ∈ V)
    v.visited = false;
  dfs_search(u);
}
dfs_search(v) {
  v.visited = true;
  foreach_edge (v, w)
    if (w.visited == false)
      dfs_search(w);
}

```



DFS order:  
A,D,F,I,K,J,G,E,B,C,H

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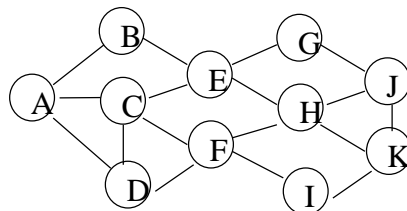
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## Breadth First Search

```

bfs(G, u) {
  foreach (v ∈ V)
    v.visited = false;
  u.visited = true;
  bfs_search(u);
}
bfs_search(v) {
  foreach_edge (v, w) {
    if (w.visited == false) {
      enqueue(Q, w); //Q: a queue
      w.visited = true;
    }
  }
  while ((w = dequeue(Q)) != NIL)
    bfs_search(w);
}

```



BFS order:  
A,D,C,B,F,E,I,H,G,K,J

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## Cycle Detection

- Use depth first search
- Can be modified to output the vertices in the cycle

```
dfs(G, u) {
    foreach (v ∈ V)
        v.visited = false;
    dfs_search(u);
}
dfs_search(v) {
    v.visited = true;
    foreach_edge (v, w)
        if (w.visited == false)
            dfs_search(w);
        else
            printf("Cycle Detected")
}
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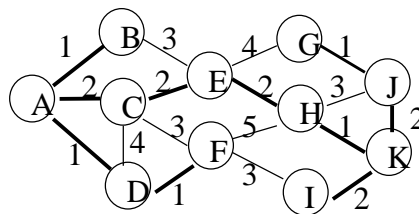
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## Minimum Spanning Trees

- Given a graph  $G=(V,E)$ , a subgraph  $G'=(V',E')$  is a minimum spanning tree if
  - $V' = V$
  - $E' \subseteq E$
  - $G'$  is a tree
  - The weight associated with  $E'$  is minimum



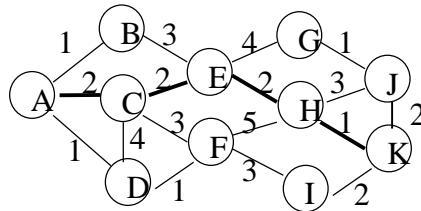
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## Shortest Path

- Find a path between two vertices with the minimum path weight



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## Related Problems

- Vertex Cover of an undirected graph  $G=(V,E)$ 
  - A subset of  $V$  such that each edge in  $E$  has at least one end point in that subset.
- Graph Coloring of an undirected graph  $G=(V,E)$ 
  - A labeling of  $V$  such that no edge in  $E$  has two end point with the same label.
- Clique
  - A clique is a complete subgraph
  - Clique partition
  - Clique covering

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## Combinatorial Optimization

- Search the solution space for the optimal solution
- In many cases, they are intractable
  - NP hard or NP-complete
- Typical algorithms
  - Branch-and-bound algorithms
  - Linear and integer programming
  - Dynamic programming
  - Greedy algorithms

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## Binary Decision Diagram (BDD)

- A compact way to represent Boolean functions
  - Decision graph structure
  - Affected by variable order
- Algorithms
  - Basic operations
    - Restriction
    - If-then-else
  - Derived operations

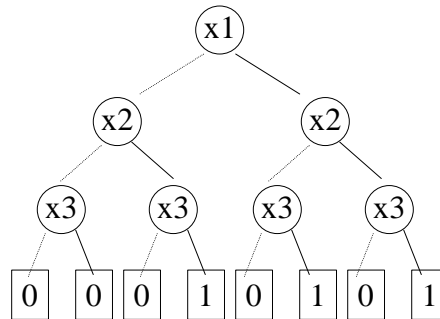
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## Decision Tree Structures

- Vertices represent decision
- Follow a broken line for value 0
- Follow a solid line for value 1
- Function value is determined by the leaf value



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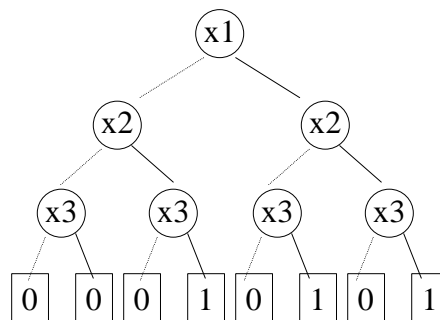
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## Ordered BDD (OBDD)

- A decision tree in which
  - Terminal node  $\nu$ 
    - Attribute
      - $\text{value}(\nu) = 0$
      - $\text{value}(\nu) = 1$
  - Nonterminal node:
    - $\text{index}(\nu) = i$
    - Two children
      - $\text{low}(\nu)$
      - $\text{high}(\nu)$
    - $\text{index}(\nu) < \text{index}(\text{low}(\nu))$ ,  
 $\text{index}(\nu) < \text{index}(\text{high}(\nu))$

$$f = x_2x_3 + x_1x_3$$



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## BDD Structure (Cnt'd)

- A BDD has a vertex  $\nu$  as the root corresponds to the function  $F_\nu$ :
  - If  $\nu$  is a terminal node:
    - If  $\text{value}(\nu) = 1$ , then  $F_\nu = 1$
    - If  $\text{value}(\nu) = 0$ , then  $F_\nu = 0$
  - If  $\nu$  is a nonterminal node (with  $\text{index}(\nu) = i$ )
    - $F_\nu(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_i' F_{\text{low}(\nu)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, 0, \dots, x_n) + x_i F_{\text{high}(\nu)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, 1, \dots, x_n)$
    - This is the Shannon's expansion w.r.t.  $x_i$

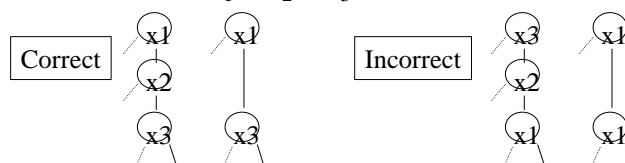
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## Variable Ordering

- Assign an arbitrary order to variables
- Variables appear in ascending order along all paths
- Example: assume  $x_1 < x_2 < x_3$



- Properties:
  - No conflicting variable assignment along path
  - Simplifies manipulation

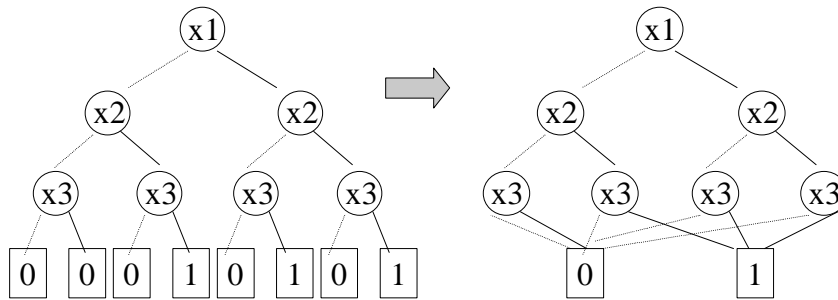
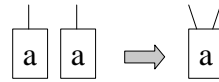
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## Reduction

- Reduction rule 1:  
merge equivalent leaves



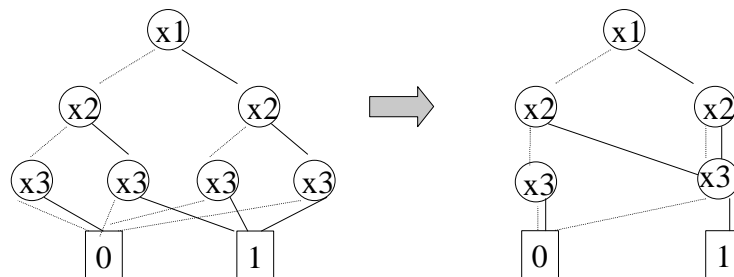
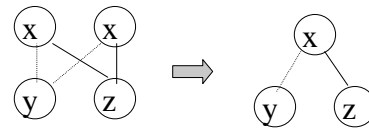
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## Reduction (Cnt'd)

- Reduction Rule 2:  
merge isomorphic nodes



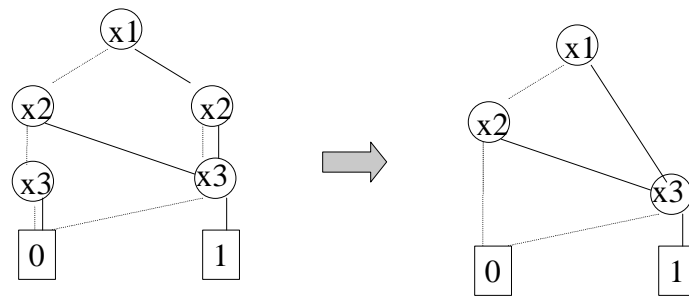
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## Reduction (Cnt'd)

- Reduction Rule 3:  
eliminate redundant nodes



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## ROBDD

- An ROBDD is an OBDD in which
  - No vertex  $v$  with  $low(v) = high(v)$
  - No pair  $\{u, v\}$  such that the subgraphs rooted in  $v$  and in  $u$  are isomorphic
- Canonical representation of Boolean function for the given ordering
  - Two functions are equivalent iff graphs are isomorphic
    - Can be tested in linear time
  - Desirable properties: simplest form is canonical

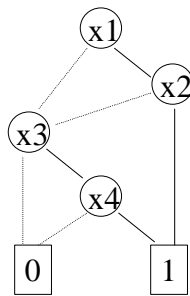
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## Size of an OBDD

- The size of an OBDD depends on the ordering of variables
  - Ex:  $x_1x_2 + x_3x_4$ , with  $x_1 < x_2 < x_3 < x_4$



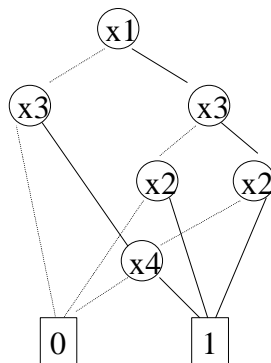
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## Size of an OBDD (Cnt'd)

- Another order  $x_1 < x_3 < x_2 < x_4$



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## Sample Function Classes

- Rule of thumb
  - Many tasks have reasonable OBDD representations
  - Algorithms remain practical for up to 1000-node OBDD
  - Heuristic ordering methods generally satisfactory

Function Class	Best	Worst	Ordering Sensitivity
ALU	Linear	Exponential	High
Symmetric	Linear	Quadratic	None
Multiplication	Exponential	Exponential	Low

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## Symbolic Manipulation

- Strategy
  - Represent data as set of OBDDs
    - With identical variable orderings
  - Express solution method as sequence of symbolic operations
  - Implement each operation by OBDD manipulation
- Algorithm Properties
  - Arguments are OBDDs with identical variable orderings
  - Result in OBDD with same ordering
  - “Closure Properties”
- Two Basic operations: 1. Restriction, 2. If-Then-Else

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## Restriction Operation

- Concept
  - Set an argument to a constant  $k$  (0 or 1)
  - Also called Cofactor operation
- Implementation
  - Depth-first traversal
  - Complexity: near-linear in argument graph size

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## Restriction Algorithm

- Algorithm

Restrict ( $F, x, k$ )

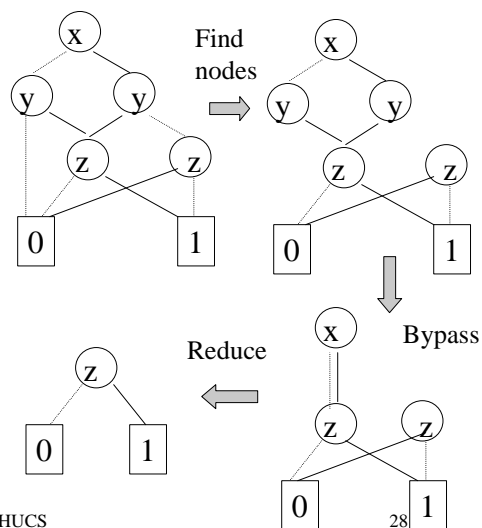
Bypass nodes with variable  $x$ ;

// choose high child for  $k=1$

// choose low child for  $k=0$

Reduce result

- Ex. Restrict variable  $y$  to 1



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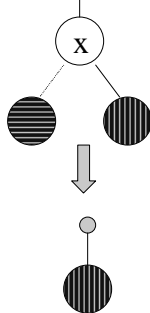
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## Special Cases for Restriction

- Case 1: Restrict on root node variable

Restrict ( , x, 1)

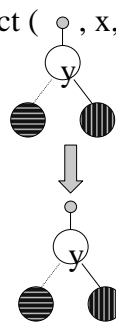


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- Case 2: Restrict on variable other than root node (e.g.  $x < y$ )

Restrict ( , x, 1)



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## If-Then-Else Operation

- Basic technique for building OBDD from network of formula
- Argument I, T, E
  - Functions over variables  $x$
  - Represented as OBDDs
- Result
  - OBDD representing composite function
  - $IT + I'E$
- Implementation
  - Combination of depth-first traversal and dynamic programming
  - Worst case complexity: product of argument graph size`

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## If-Then-Else Algorithm

- Recursive formulation
$$\text{ITE}(I, T, E) = x \text{ ITE}(I|_{x=1}, T|_{x=1}, E|_{x=1}) + x' \text{ ITE}(I|_{x=0}, T|_{x=0}, E|_{x=0})$$
- General Algorithm
  - Select top root variable  $x$  of  $I$ ,  $T$ , and  $E$
  - Compute restrictions
  - Apply recursively to get results *low* and *high*
- Terminal Conditions
  1.  $I = 1 \rightarrow \text{Return } T$ ;
  2.  $I = 0 \rightarrow \text{Return } E$ ;
  3.  $T = 1, E = 0 \rightarrow \text{Return } I$ ;
  4.  $T = E \rightarrow \text{Return } T$ ;

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## Derived Algebraic Operations

- Other common operations can be expressed in terms of if-then-else
  - $\text{AND}(f, g) = \text{ITE}(f, g, 0)$
  - $\text{OR}(f, g) = \text{ITE}(f, 1, g)$
  - $\text{EXOR}(f, g) = \text{ITE}(f, g', g)$

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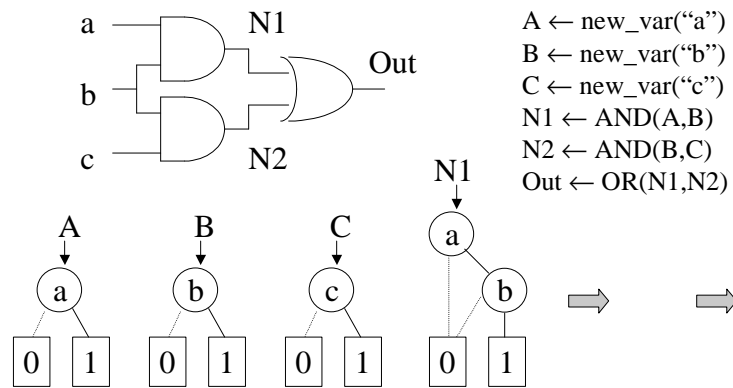
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## Generating OBDD from Network

- Goal: represent outputs of gate network as BDDs



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## Derived Operations

- Efficiency
  - Maintain computed table to increase efficiency
  - Worst case complexity product of graph sizes for I, T, E
- Derived operations
  - Express as combination of if-then-else and restrict
  - Preserve closure property
    - Result in an OBDD with the same variable ordering

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