On the Approximability of Weighted Model Integration over DNF Structures

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$$WMI(\phi)$$

$$\sum_{v} \int_{x_{\phi}} w(x, v) dx$$

where v is a Boolean assignment over V, x_{ϕ} denotes valuations of X satisfying ϕ .

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For weight functions in WMI, it is common to factorize [4] w as a product of m Boolean literal weights and a density function over real variables, i.e.,:

$$w(x,v) = w_x(x) \prod_{i=1}^m w_b(p_i).$$

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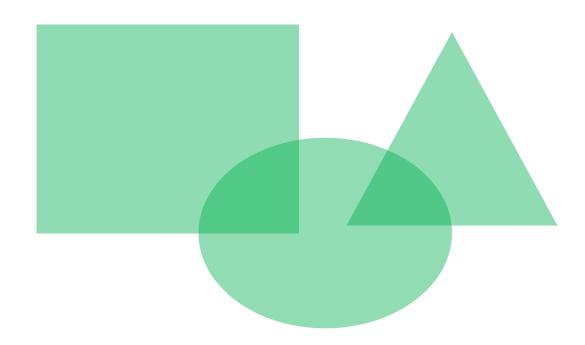
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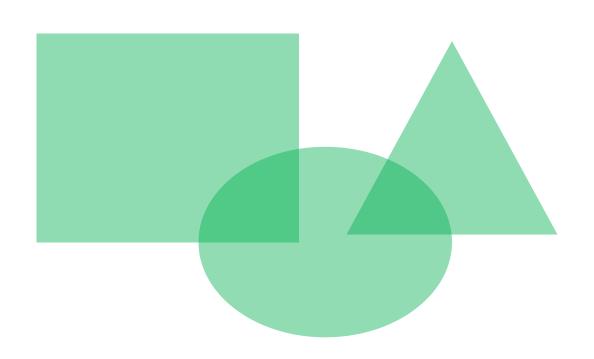
	WMC	WMI
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DNF	FPRAS [2]	→ ?

Result:

Show that WMI(DNF) admits an FPRAS for concave weight functions

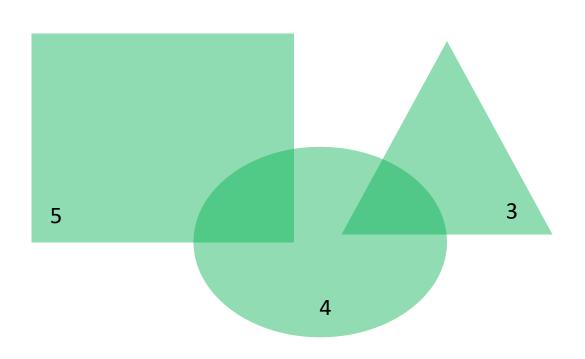


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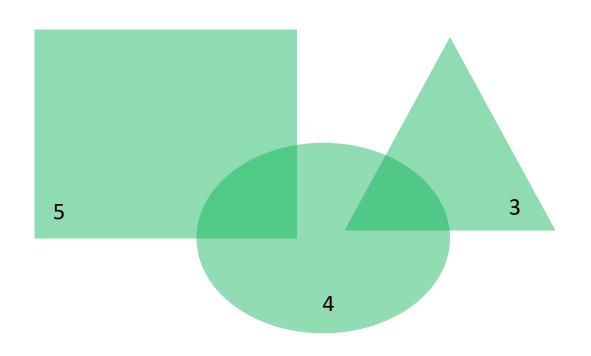
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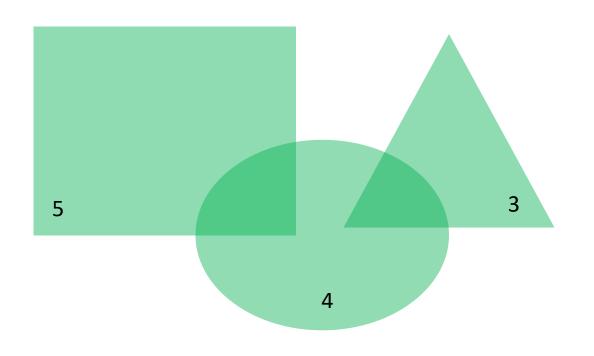
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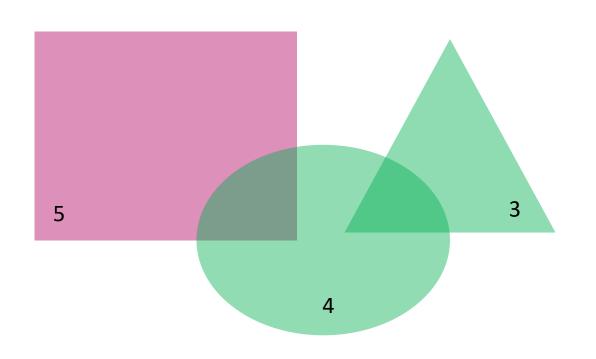


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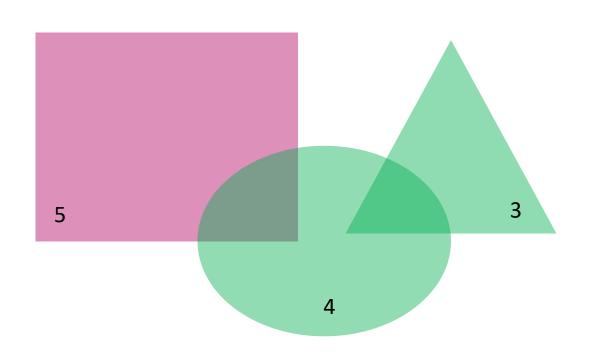
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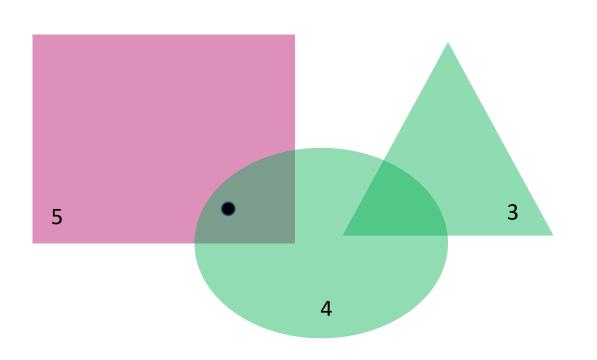
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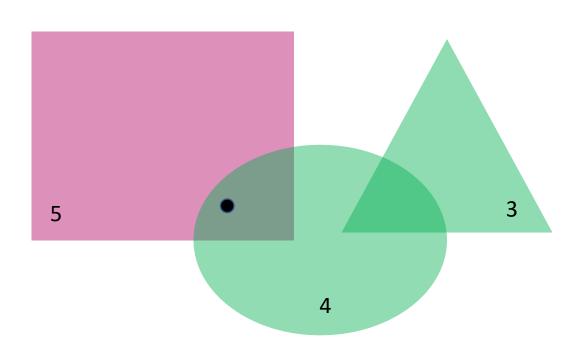
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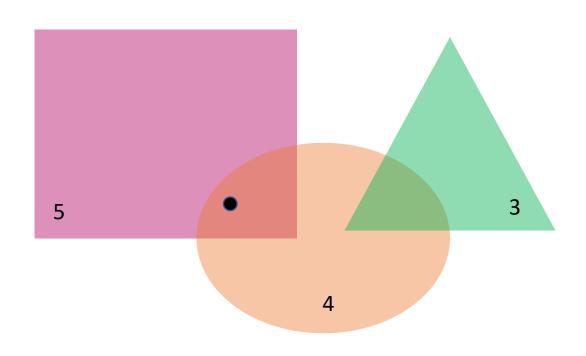
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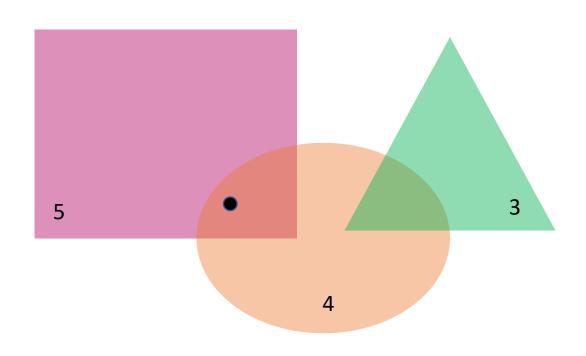
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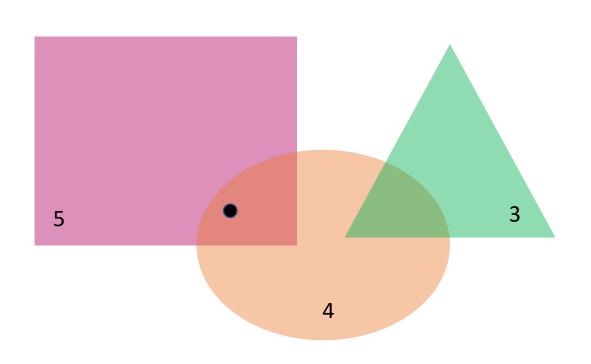
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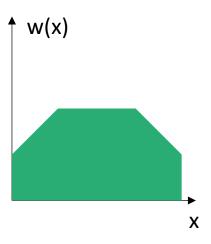
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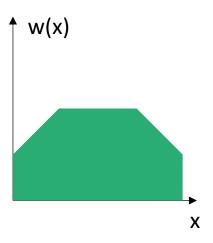
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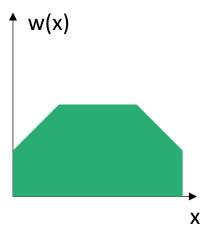
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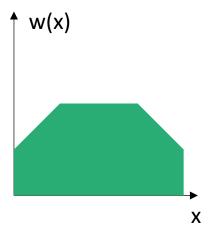
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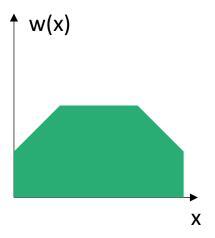
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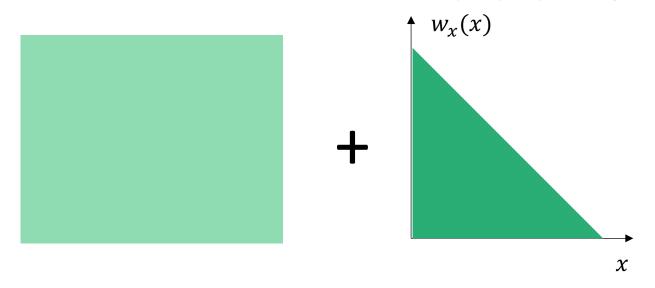


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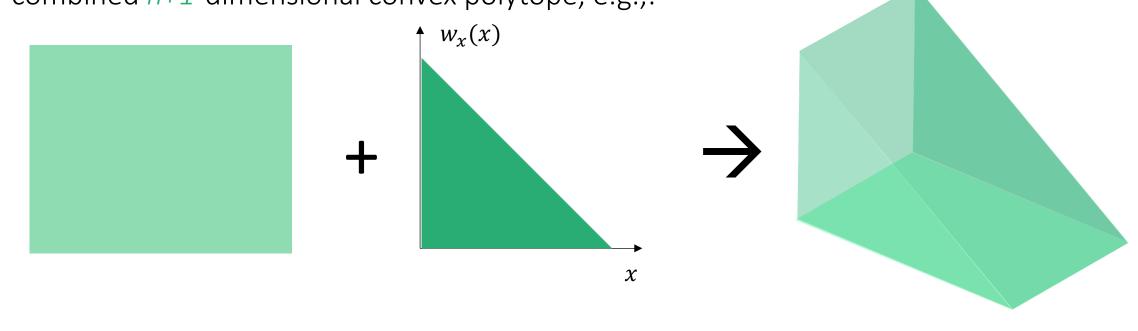
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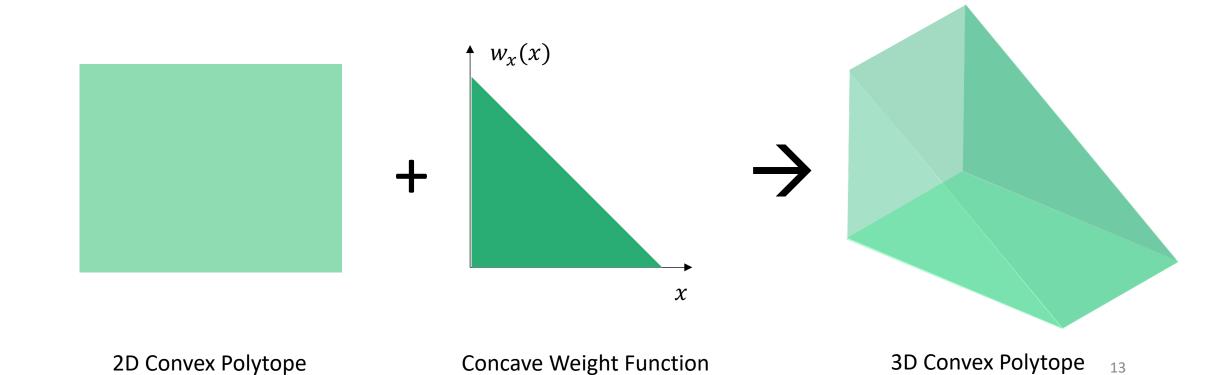
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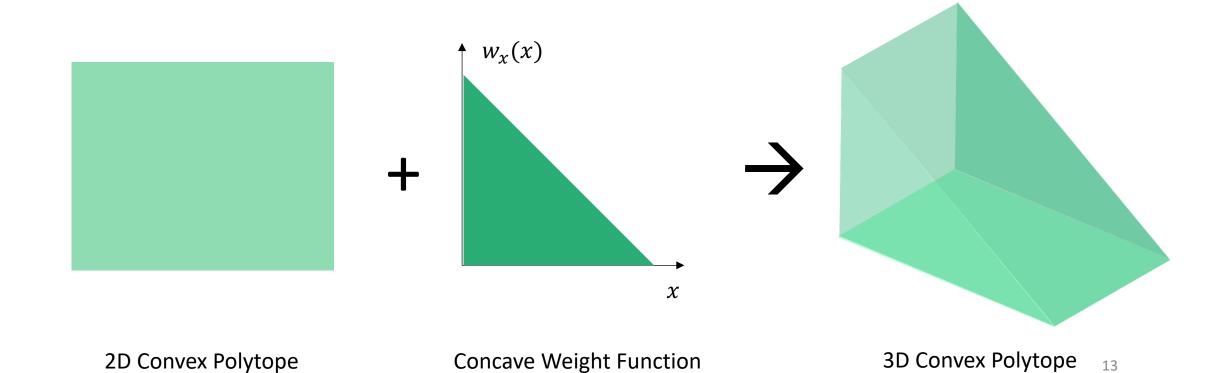
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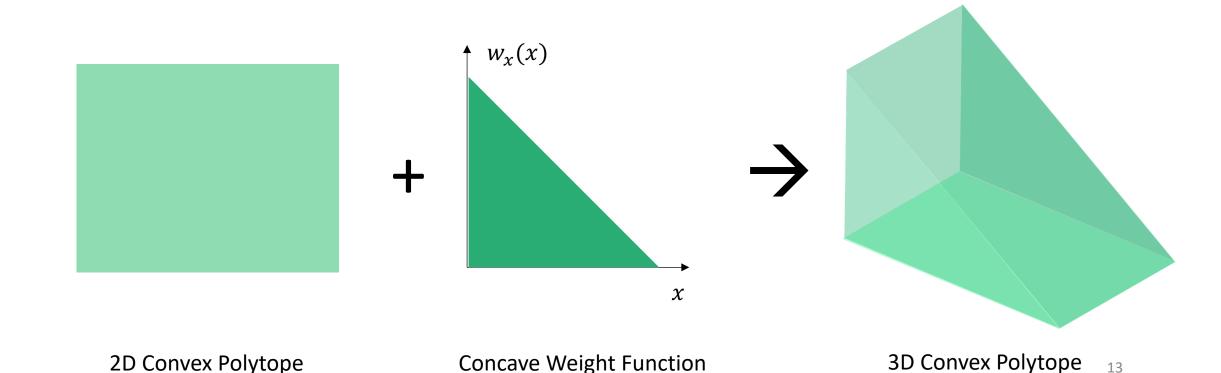




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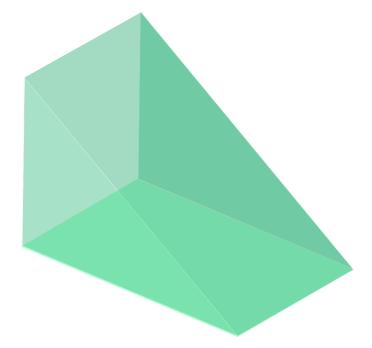


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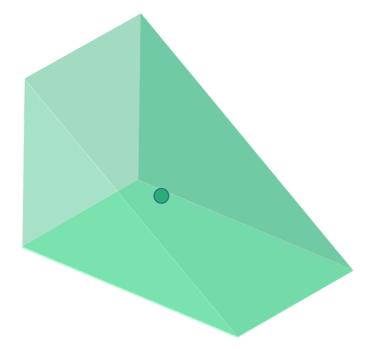
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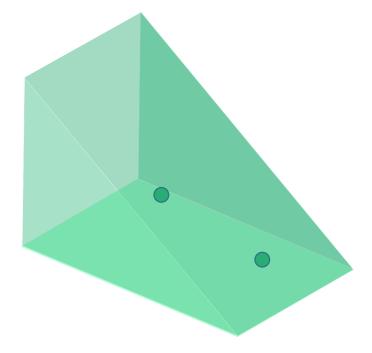
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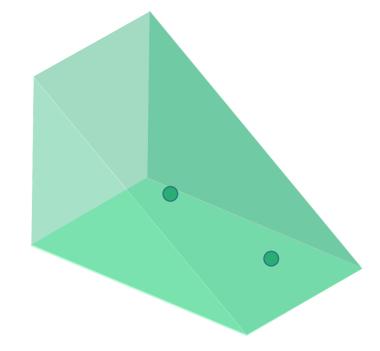


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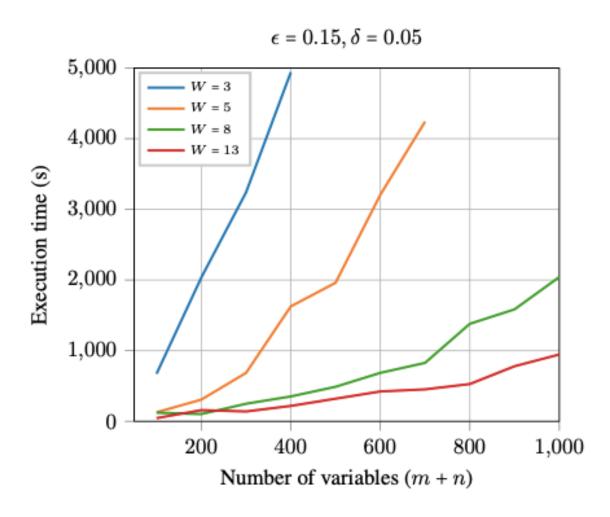
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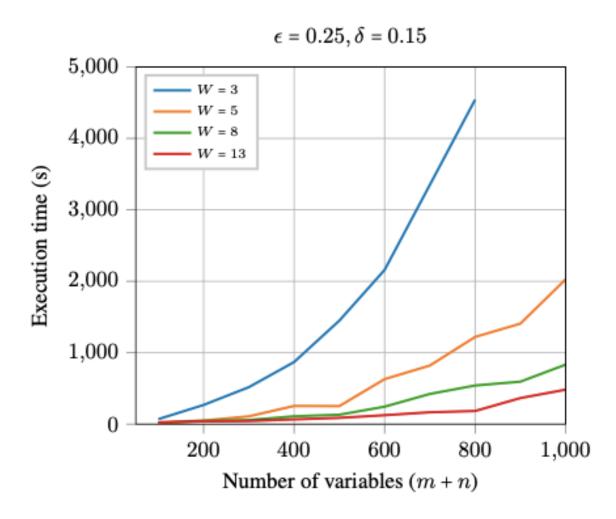
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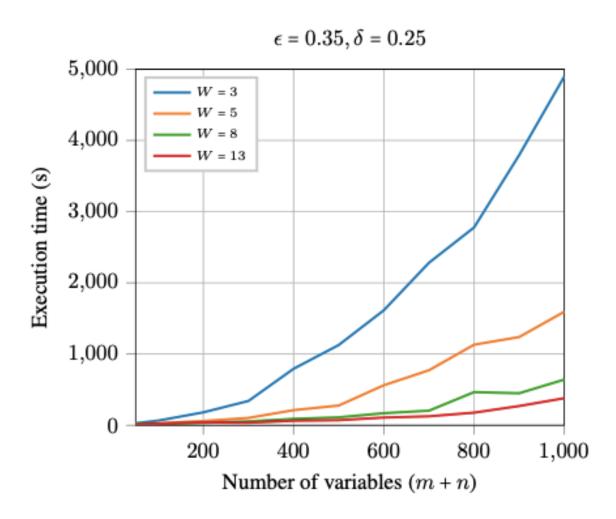
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Thank You!



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