

# Game-Theoretic Approach to Temporal Synthesis

## Symbolic Techniques

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- Synthesis and automata-theoretic approaches to synthesis
- Reduction to games on graphs (automata)
  - Reachability game, safety game, GR(1) game etc.
  - Game solving is linear or poly, wrt the size of the game graph



- The game graph size?
  - LTL<sub>f</sub> synthesis, explicit DFA **2EXP** number of states
  - $|\varphi| = 10$ , #states =  $2^{2^{10}}$
- Symbolic techniques, compact representation and reasoning



- Symbolic DFA representation
  - Monolithic representation
  - Partitioned representation
- Symbolic synthesis techniques
  - Symbolic  $LTL_f$  synthesis, reachability game <sup>1</sup>
- Binary Decision Diagram (BDD)

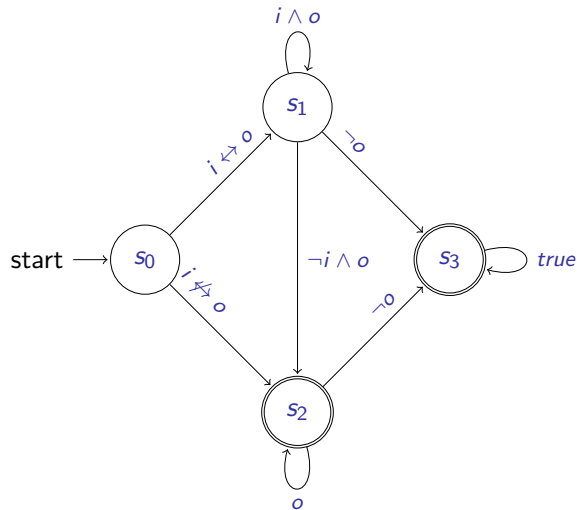
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<sup>1</sup>Zhu et al.: Symbolic  $LTL_f$  Synthesis.



Explicit DFA as a tuple  $\mathcal{D} = \{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{S}, s_0, \delta, \mathcal{F}\}$

- $\mathcal{P}$  a set of propositions
- $\mathcal{S}$  a set of states
- $s_0$  initial state
- $\delta : \mathcal{S} \times 2^{\mathcal{P}} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$  transition function
- $\mathcal{F}$  a set of accepting states



- $\mathcal{P} = \{i, o\}$
- $\mathcal{S} = \{s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3\}$
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  - $\delta(s_1, \neg i \wedge o) = s_2$
- $\mathcal{F} = \{s_2, s_3\}$



- $\mathcal{D} = \{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{S}, s_0, \delta, \mathcal{F}\}$
- State space  $\mathcal{S}$
- Answer queries:
  - Which state is the initial state?
  - Is  $s$  an accepting states?
  - Consider current state  $s$  and transition label  $\alpha$ , what is the successor state?
  - ...



- Explicit DFA:  $\mathcal{D} = \{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{S}, s_0, \delta, \mathcal{F}\}$
- Symbolic DFA: Maintain the information as in the explicit DFA
  - State space  $\mathcal{S}$
  - Answer queries: initial state? accepting state? successor state?





–  $\mathcal{S} = \{s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3\}$

– Binary state encoding  $\mathcal{Z} = \{z_0, z_1\}$

| State | Interpretation $Z$ |
|-------|--------------------|
| $s_0$ | $z_0 = 0, z_1 = 0$ |
| $s_1$ | $z_0 = 0, z_1 = 1$ |
| $s_2$ | $z_0 = 1, z_1 = 0$ |
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– **EXP** less number of variables



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- Queries related to the set of accepting states
  - $\mathcal{F}$  : Is  $s$  an accepting state? Answers: *Yes, No*
  - Boolean formula  $f$  over  $\mathcal{Z}$ : Is interpretation  $Z \in 2^{\mathcal{Z}}$  a model of  $f$ ? Answers: *true, false*
  - Encode  $\mathcal{F}$  as a Boolean formula  $f$  over  $\mathcal{Z}$ , more succinct than an explicit set





- Every state  $s \in \mathcal{S}$  as a Boolean formula **only** satisfied by the corresponding interpretation  $Z \in 2^Z$
- Through conjunction, refers to a certain state

| State | Interpretation $Z$ | Boolean formula            |
|-------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| $s_0$ | $z_0 = 0, z_1 = 0$ | $\neg z_0 \wedge \neg z_1$ |
| $s_1$ | $z_0 = 0, z_1 = 1$ | $\neg z_0 \wedge z_1$      |
| $s_2$ | $z_0 = 1, z_1 = 0$ | $z_0 \wedge \neg z_1$      |
| $s_3$ | $z_0 = 1, z_1 = 1$ | $z_0 \wedge z_1$           |



- A set of states is a disjunction on the conjunctions
  - This disjunction refers to a certain set of states

- Initial state  $\iota = \underbrace{\neg z_0 \wedge \neg z_1}_{s_0(00)}$

- Accepting states  $f = \underbrace{(\neg z_0 \wedge z_1)}_{s_1(01)} \vee \underbrace{(z_0 \wedge z_1)}_{s_3(11)}$



- State variables  $\mathcal{Z} = \{z_0, z_1\}$
- Transition function  $\delta(s, \alpha) = s'$
- Boolean formula  $\eta$  only evaluates to *true* or *false*
- How to use Boolean formula to encode transition function?
  - Monolithic representation
  - Partitioned representation



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  - Evaluates as *true only* for correct transitions



Each transition as a conjunction of the corresponding interpretation

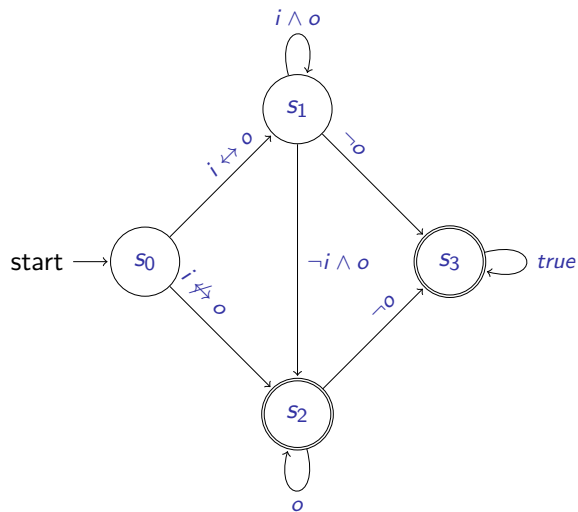
$$- \delta(s_1, \neg o) = s_3$$

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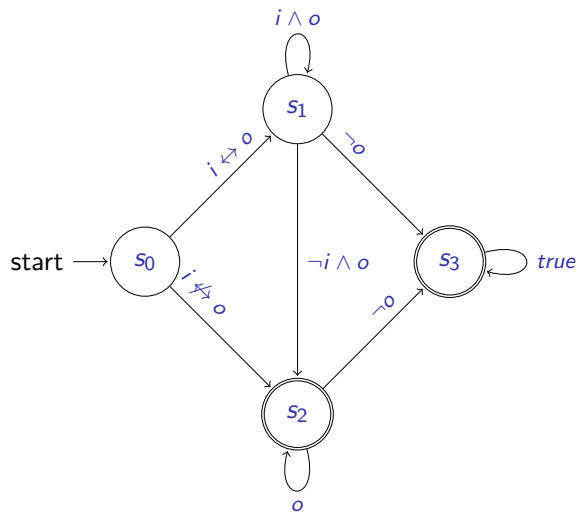
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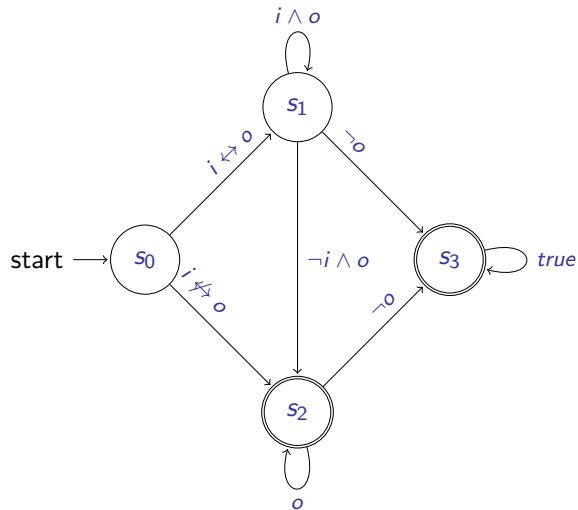


## Example of Monolithic Representation



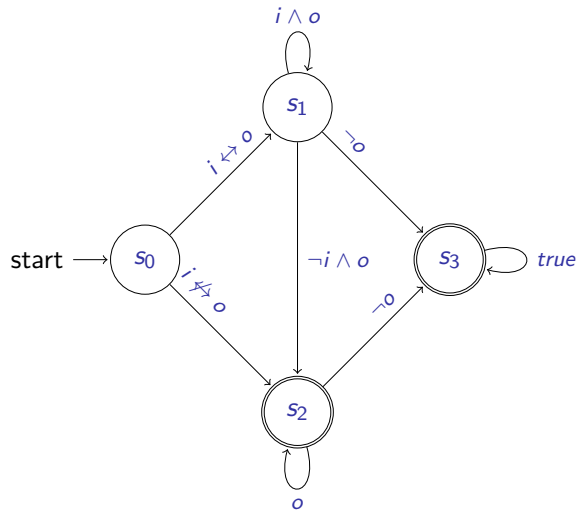
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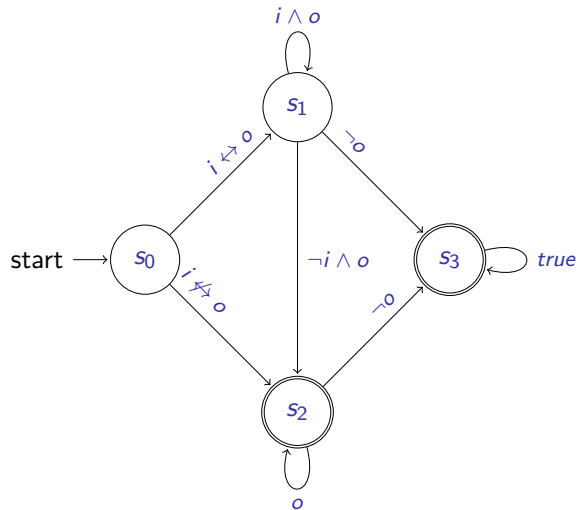
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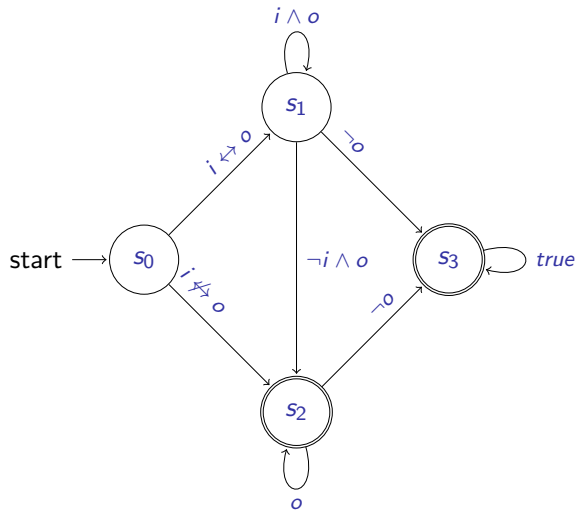
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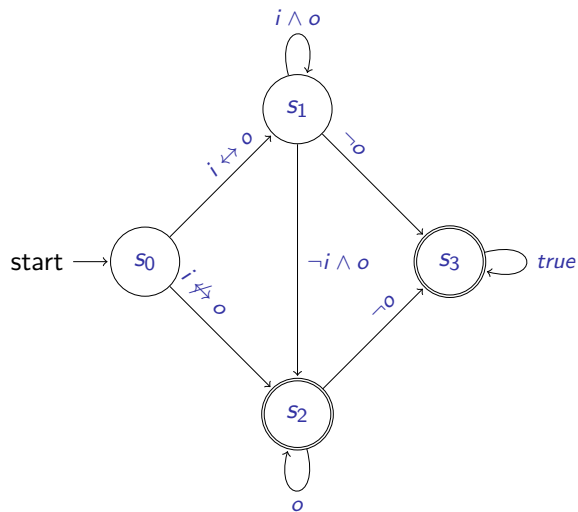
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- $\mathcal{P}$  a set of propositions
- $\mathcal{Z}$  a set of state variables,  $\mathcal{Z}'$  prime state variables
- $\iota$  Boolean formula over  $\mathcal{Z}$  denoting the initial state
- $\eta$  Boolean formula over  $\mathcal{Z} \cup \mathcal{P} \cup \mathcal{Z}'$  representing the transition function
- $f$  Boolean formula over  $\mathcal{Z}$  representing the set of accepting states



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- $\eta$  **transition function in a partitioned way**
- $f$  Boolean formula over  $\mathcal{Z}$  representing the set of accepting states



**Given:** Current state  $s$ , transition condition  $\sigma$

**Return:** Successor state  $s'$

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- Partition the computation of successor state





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- compute the value of  $z \in \mathcal{Z}$  one after another

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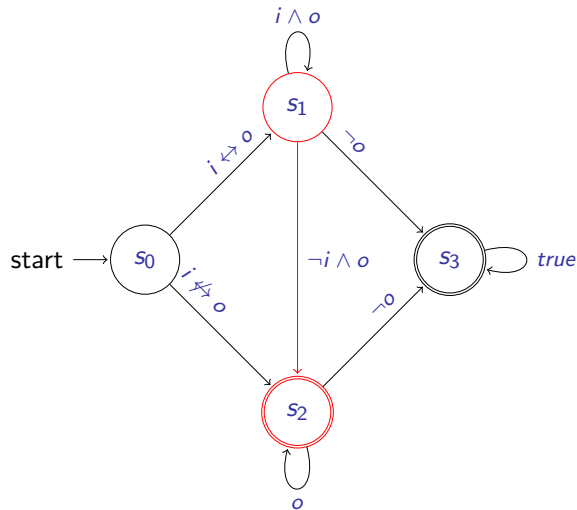
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- $\eta_{z_i}(Z, \sigma)$  evaluates to *true* iff  $z_i = 1$  in the corresponding successor state of outgoing edge  $(Z, \sigma)$



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- $\eta_{z_i}$  : disjunction of conjunctions
  - every conjunction, an outgoing edge  $(Z, \sigma)$ , which makes  $z_i = 1$  in the corresponding successor state

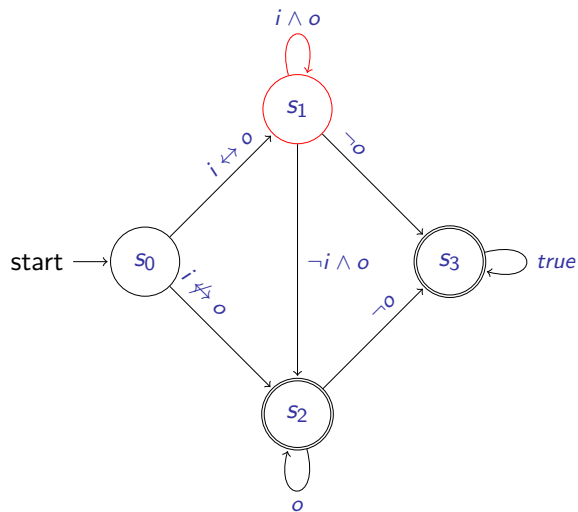


$$\mathcal{Z} = \{z_0, z_1\}$$

$$- \underbrace{(\neg z_0, z_1, \neg p, q)}_{s_1(01)} \rightarrow \underbrace{z_0, \neg z_1}_{s_2(10)}$$

- $\eta_{z_0}(\neg z_0, z_1, \neg i, o)$  evaluates to *true*
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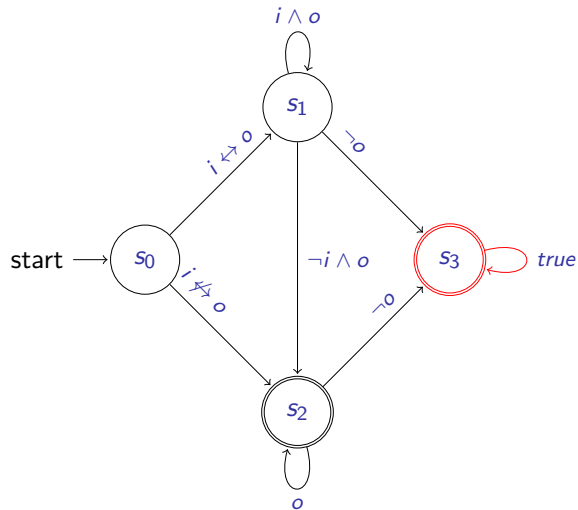
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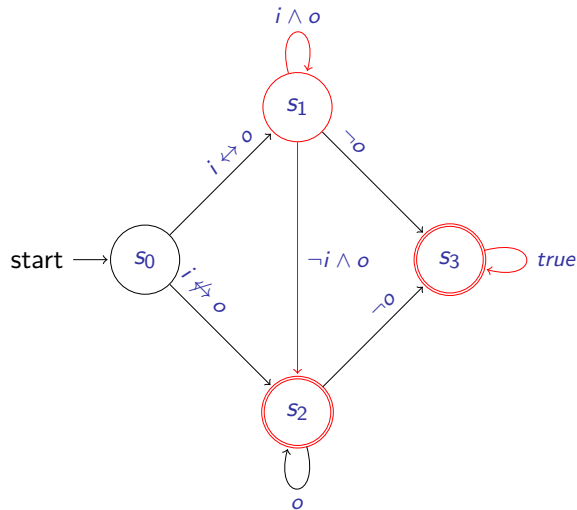
- $\eta_{z_0}(\neg z_0, z_1, i, o)$  evaluates to *false*
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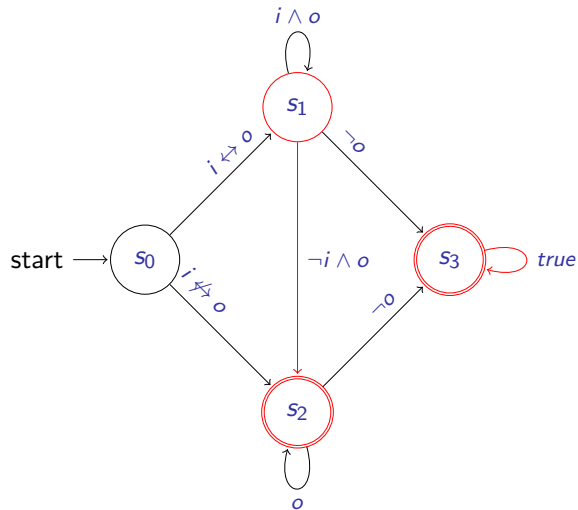
$$- \underbrace{(z_0, z_1, true)}_{s_3(11)} \rightarrow \underbrace{z_0, z_1}_{s_3(11)}$$

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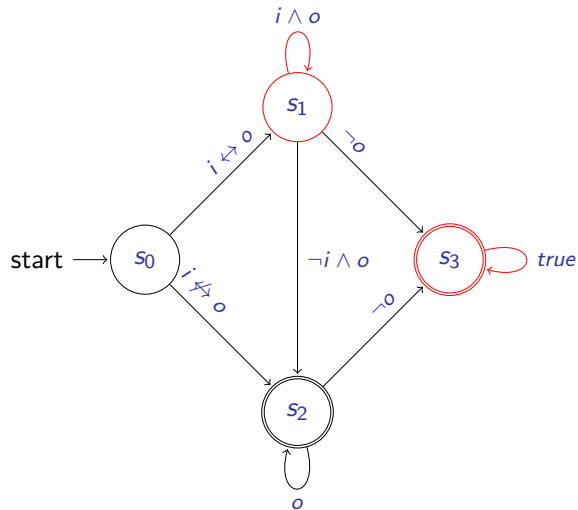
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$$\eta_{z_0} = (\neg z_0 \wedge z_1 \wedge \neg i \wedge o) \vee (z_0 \wedge z_1 \wedge true) \vee \dots$$



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|            | Explicit  | Monolithic   | Partitioned  |
|------------|---|--|--|
| Props      | $\mathcal{P}$   | $\mathcal{P}$  | $\mathcal{P}$  |
| States     | $ \mathcal{S}  = n$   | $ \mathcal{Z}  =  \mathcal{Z}'  = \log_n$              | $ \mathcal{Z}  = \log_n$   |
| Init.      | $s_0$   | $\iota = \neg z_0 \wedge \neg z_1$                     | $\iota = \neg z_0 \wedge \neg z_1$                                       |
| Acc.       | $\mathcal{F}$   | $f = \bigvee \wedge$                                   | $f = \bigvee \wedge$   |
| Transition | $\delta : \mathcal{S} \times 2^{\mathcal{P}} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ | $\eta(\mathcal{Z} \cup \mathcal{P} \cup \mathcal{Z}')$ | $\eta = \{\eta_z(\mathcal{Z} \cup \mathcal{P}) \mid z \in \mathcal{Z}\}$ |



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- Two-player games
  - Fixpoint computation on game arena
  - Symbolic fixpoint computation



### $LTL_f$ synthesis

- Reachability game on DFA, agent  $o$  and environment  $i$
- Agn: visit accepting states



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**Algorithm 1** Reachability game on DFA  $\mathcal{D}_p = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{S}, s_0, \delta, \mathcal{F})$

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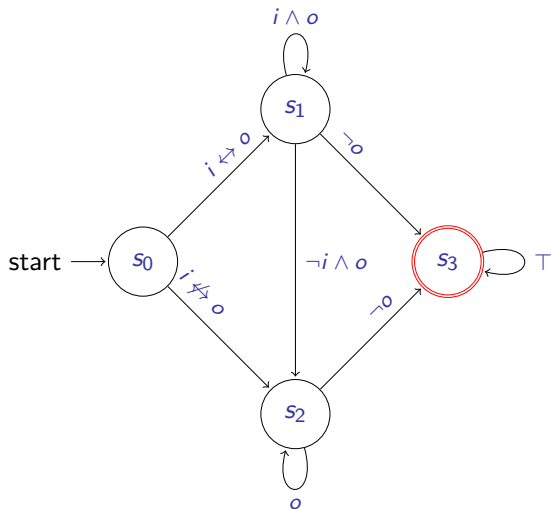
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1:  $Win := \mathcal{F}$ 
2: while  $Win \neq Win \cup \text{force}_{ag}(Win)$  do
3:    $Win := Win \cup \text{force}_{ag}(Win)$ 
4: end while
5: return  $Win$ 
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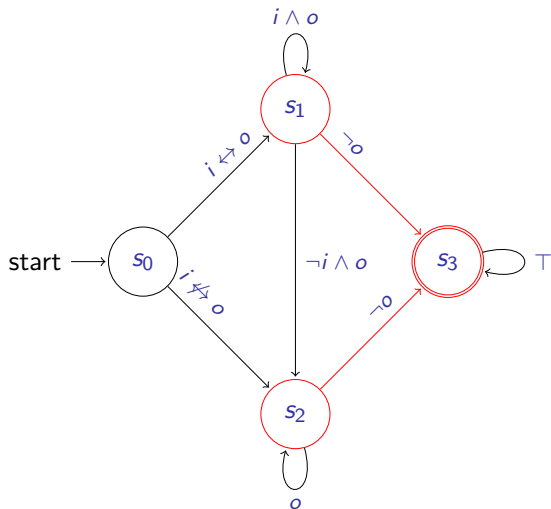
$\text{force}_{ag}(Win) = \{s \mid \exists O \forall I \delta(s, I \cup O \in Win)\}$

–  $O$  a winning output of state  $s$





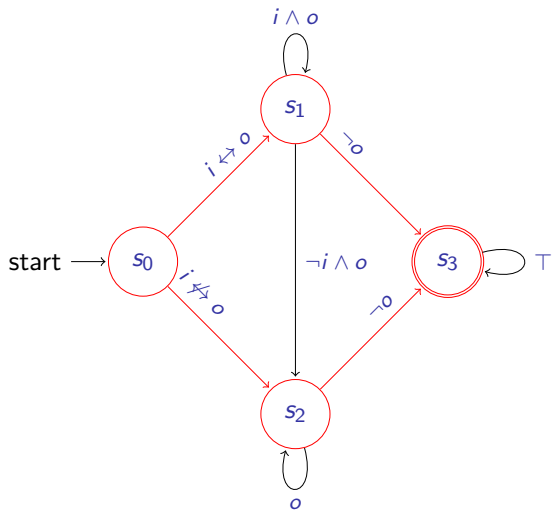
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- There exists  $o$ , for every  $i$

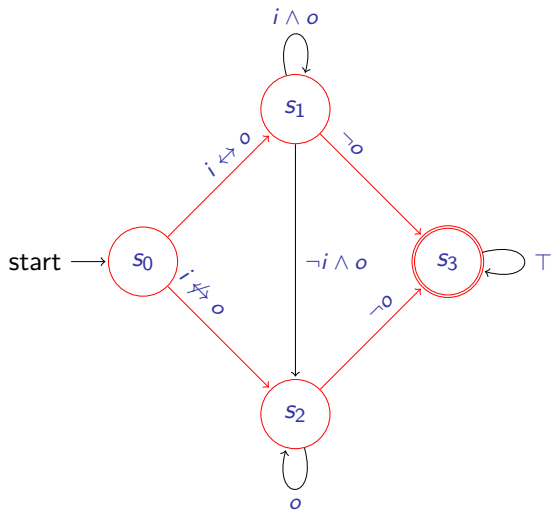
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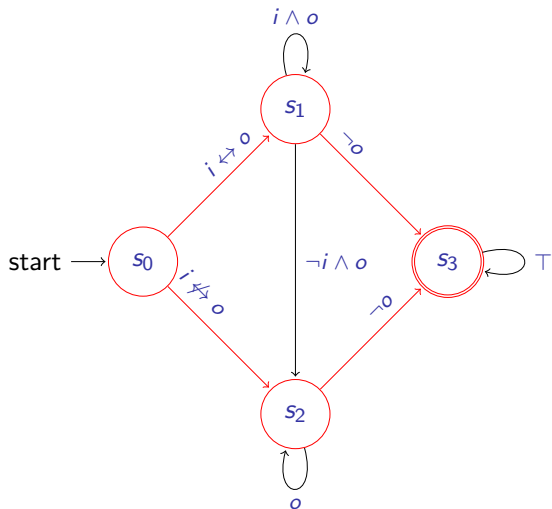
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- $W_3 = \{s_3, s_1, s_2, s_0\}$
- $W_3 = W_2$ , fixpoint



–  $s_0 \in W = \{s_3, s_1, s_2, s_0\}$

– Realizable

– Winning strategy as a transducer

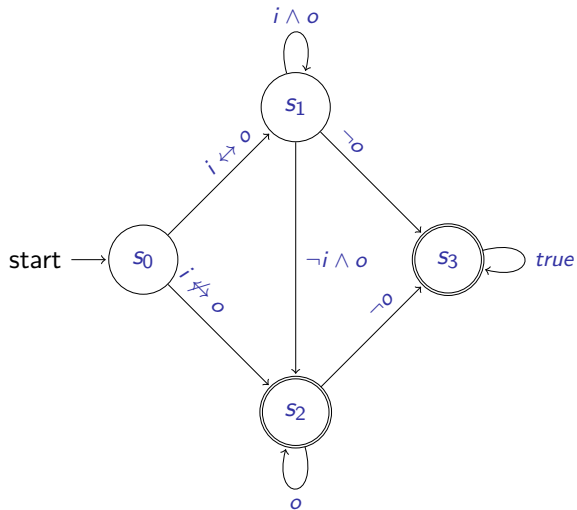


Winning strategy as an explicit transducer  $\mathcal{T} = (2^{\mathcal{I}}, 2^{\mathcal{O}}, \text{Win}, s_0, \rho, \omega)$

- $\text{Win} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  is the set of winning states
- $\omega : \text{Win} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{O}}$  is the output function such that  $\omega(s)$  is a winning output of  $s$

Winning strategy  $\omega : \text{Win} \rightarrow 2^O$

- $\omega(s_0) = o$
- $\omega(s_1) = \neg o$





Reachability game on symbolic DFA  $\mathcal{D}_p = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{Z}, \iota, \eta, f)$

- A Boolean formula  $w$  over  $\mathcal{Z}$  for winning states
- A Boolean formula  $t$  over  $\mathcal{Z} \cup \mathcal{O}$  for (winning state, winning output) pairs





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- $w_0 = f$  every accepting state is a winning state
- $t_0 = f$  the agent can do anything (*true*) after reaching accepting states



Reachability game on symbolic DFA  $\mathcal{D}_p = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \mathcal{Z}, \iota, \eta, f)$

- $t_{i+1} = t_i \vee (\neg w_i \wedge \forall l. w_i(\eta))$
- $w_{i+1} = \exists \mathcal{O}. t_{i+1}$



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- $(Z, O)$  satisfies  $t_i$
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- $w_{i+1} \equiv w_i$ , fixpoint  $w_\infty$





Explicit finite-state transducer  $\mathcal{T} = (2^{\mathcal{I}}, 2^{\mathcal{O}}, \text{Win}, s_0, \varrho, \omega)$

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## Boolean synthesis procedure

**Given:** two disjoint proposition sets  $Z$ ,  $O$  of input and output variables, respectively, and a Boolean formula  $t$  over  $Z \cup O$

**Return:** a function  $\tau : 2^Z \rightarrow 2^O$

- for every  $Z \in 2^Z$ , if there exists  $O \in 2^O$  such that  $Z \cup O \models t$ , then  $Z \cup \tau(Z) \models t$



$t$  over  $Z \cup O$  as the input formula to a Boolean synthesis procedure

– function  $\tau : 2^Z \rightarrow 2^O$



- Symbolic least-fixpoint computation
- Abstract winning strategy via Boolean synthesis
- Extend to great-fixpoint, nested-fixpoint computation in different synthesis settings



- Symbolic  $LTL_f$  synthesis
- Binary Decision Diagrams (BDDs)

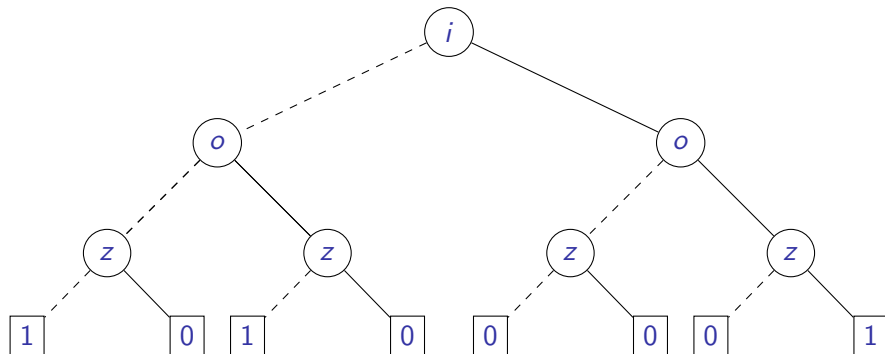




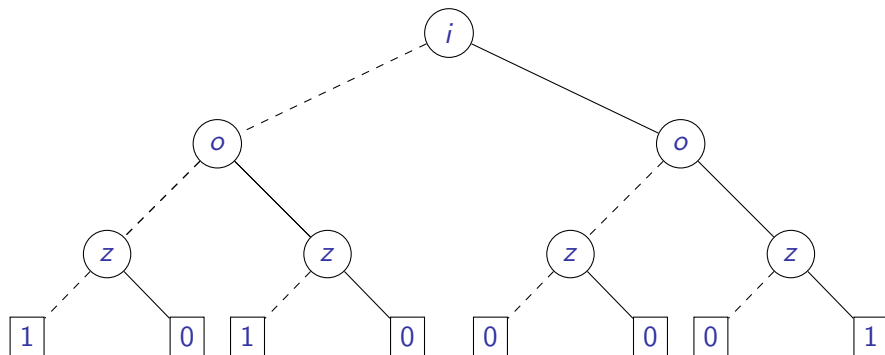
- They can be made canonical
- They can be very compact for many applications
- Various computations can be converted to suitable operations on BDD



- Directed graph representing Boolean functions
- non-terminal node (circle), terminal node (square)

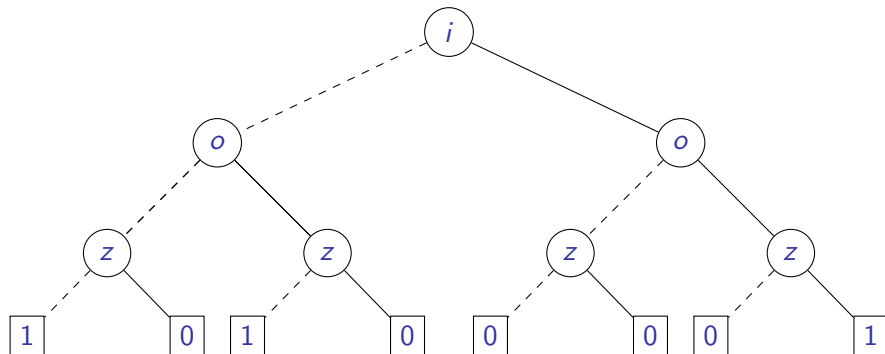


- non-terminal node (circle), marked with variables  $i, o, z$
- terminal node (square), marked with values  $0, 1$





- solid line:  $high(v)$ , variable assigned as *true*
- dashed line:  $low(v)$ , variable assigned as *false*





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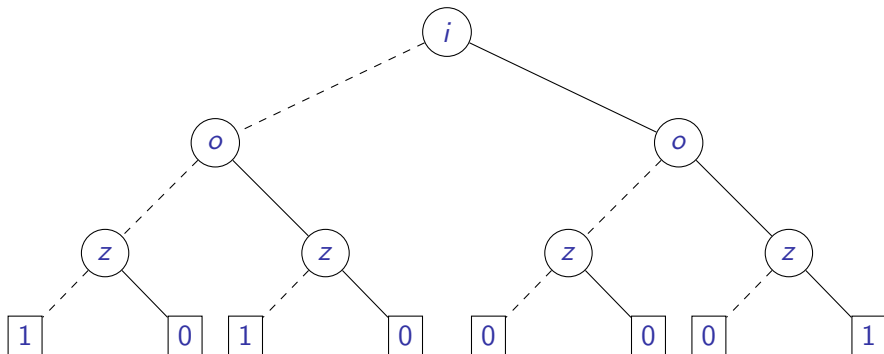
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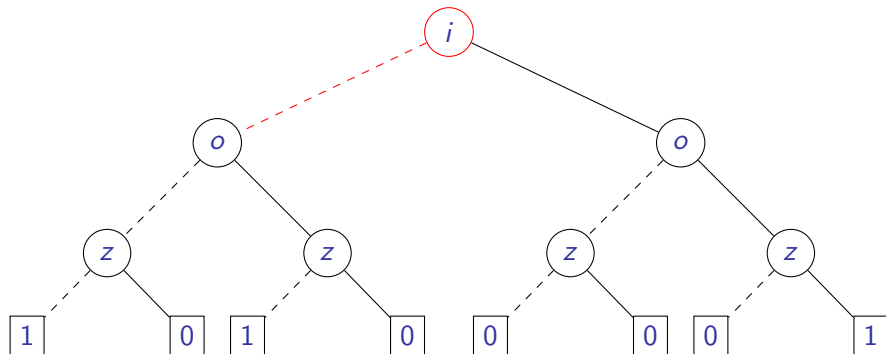
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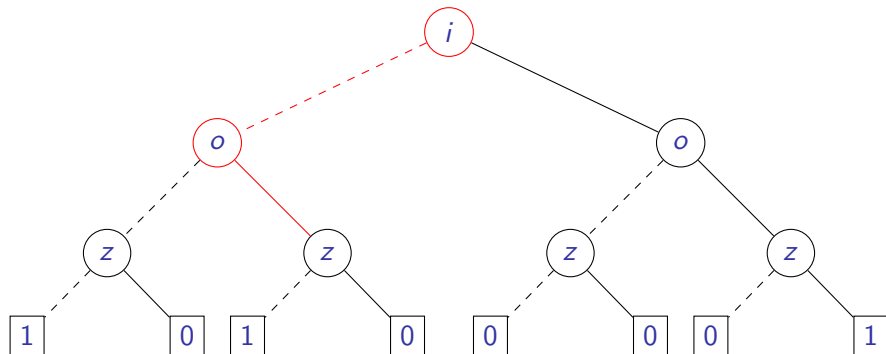


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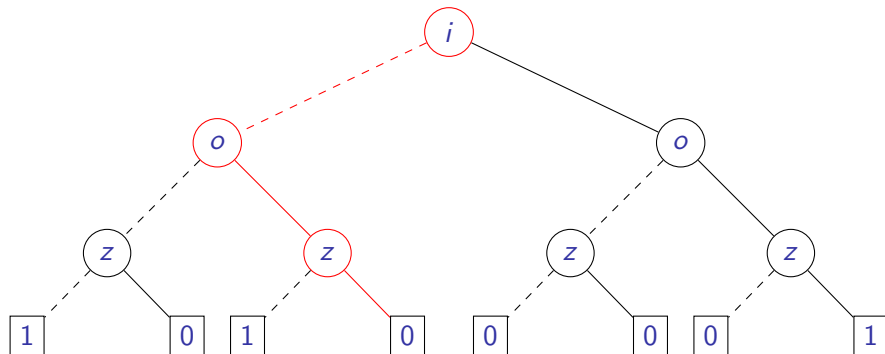
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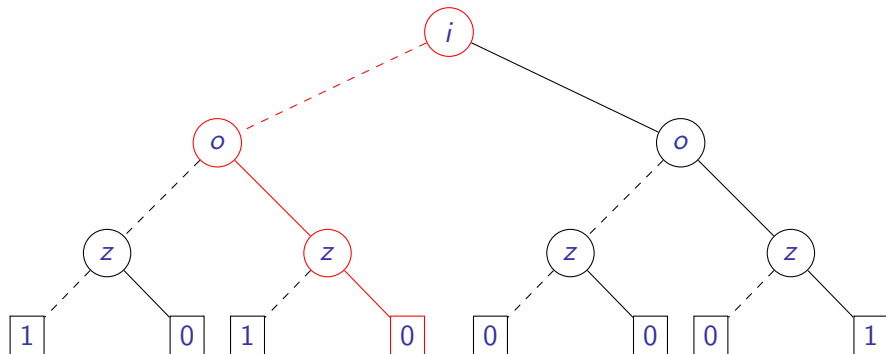
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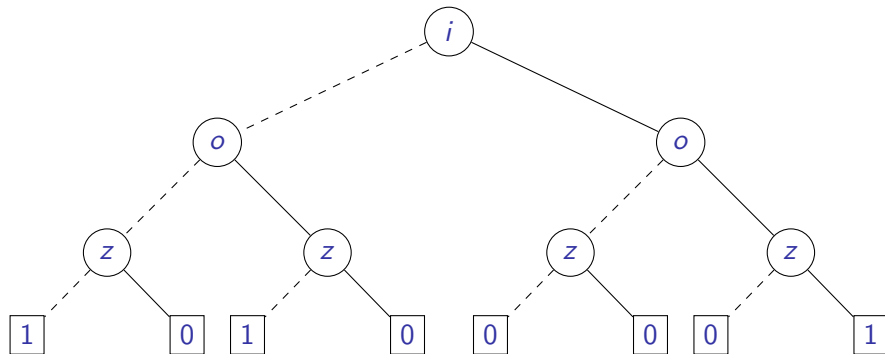




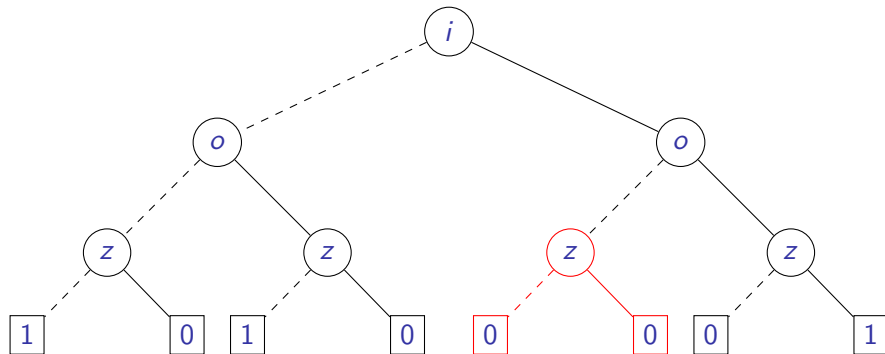
- BDD is able to represent a Boolean formula
- BDD: Compact representation
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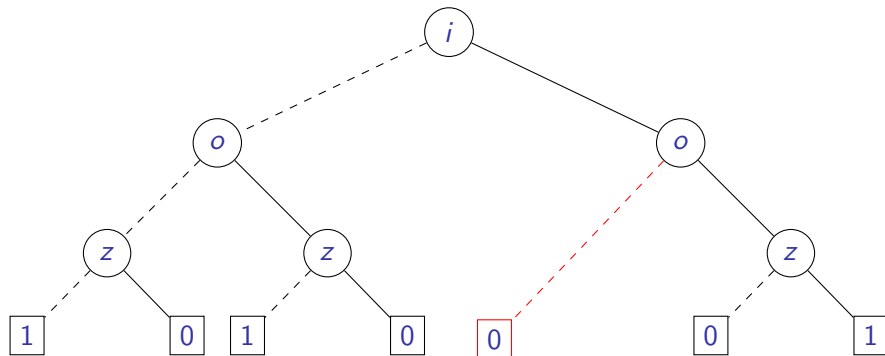


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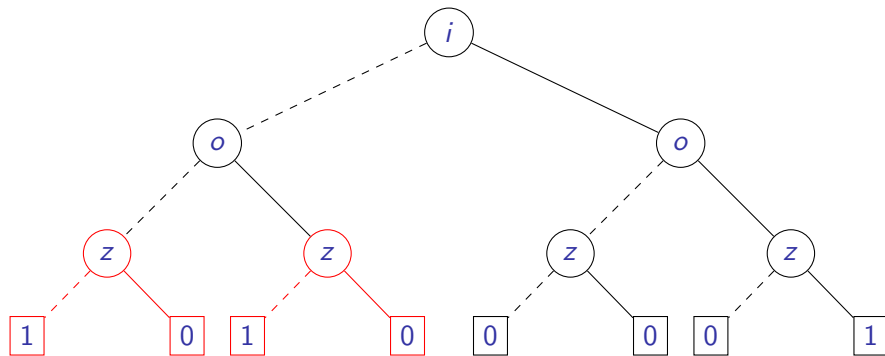




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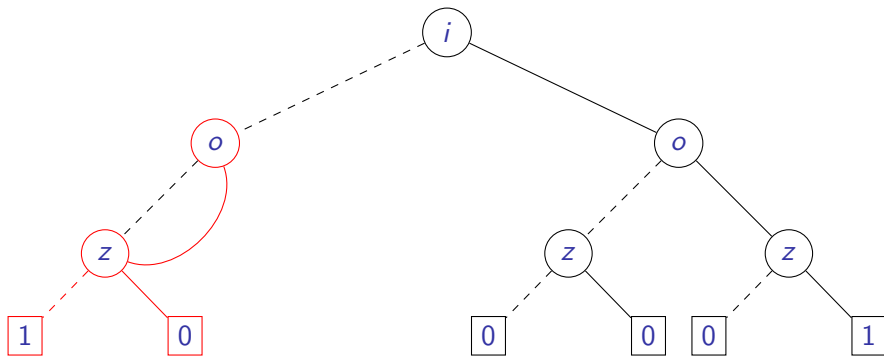
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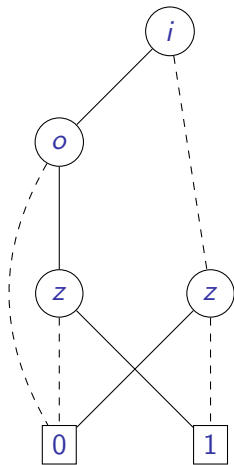
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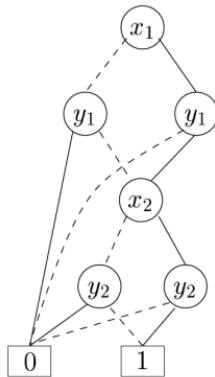
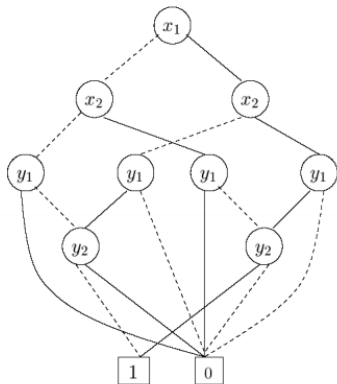
# Binary Decision Diagram: Variable Ordering

BDD size: #nodes.

BDD size highly depends on the variable ordering.

$f =$

$$(x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (\neg x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge \neg x_2 \wedge y_1 \wedge \neg y_2) \vee (\neg x_1 \wedge \neg x_2 \wedge \neg y_1 \wedge \neg y_2).$$





- Canonicity: variable ordering
- BDDs are canonical with a fixed variable ordering
- Canonicity checking takes constant time
- Example:
  - **Given:** Boolean formulas  $f$  and  $g$
  - **Answer:** Whether  $f \equiv g$ ?
  - **How:** Construct  $B_f$  and  $B_g$ ,  $B_f \equiv B_g$ , constant time



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- Symbolic DFA represented in BDDs
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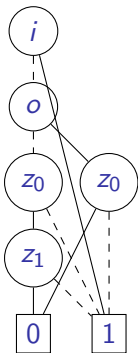
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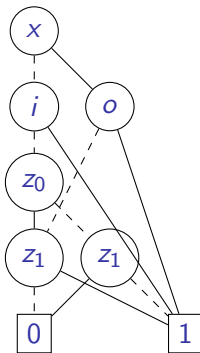
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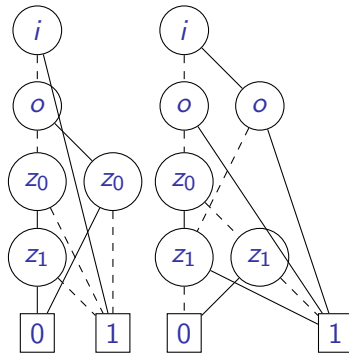
Reachability game on symbolic DFA  $\mathcal{D}_p = (\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Z}, B_i, \eta, B_f)$  in BDDs

- $B_{w_0} = B_f$
- $B_{t_0} = B_f$



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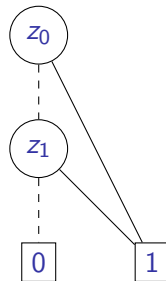
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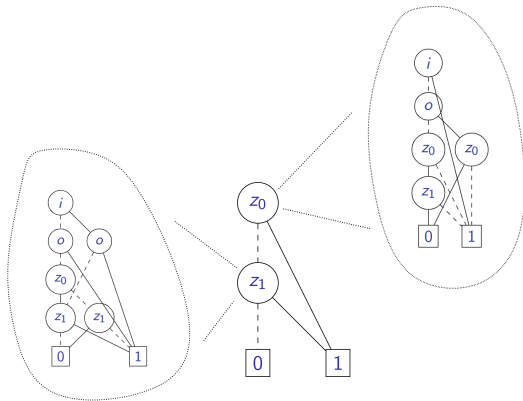
–  $B_{w_i}$





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- $w_i(\eta)$  transitions leading to states in  $w_i$



BDD Compose



$$t_{i+1} = t_i \vee (\neg w_i \wedge \forall l. w_i(\eta))$$

- Universal Quantification



$$t_{i+1} = t_i \vee (\neg w_i \wedge \forall l. w_i(\eta))$$

- Conjunction, Negation, and Disjunction



$$w_{i+1} = \exists O. t_{i+1}$$

- Existential Quantification





Fixpoint check  $w_{i+1} \equiv w_i$

- Equivalence check, constant time



Strategy abstraction  $\tau : 2^Z \rightarrow 2^O$

- SolveEqn



- Symbolic synthesis techniques
  - $LTL_f$  synthesis with partitioned representation in BDDs

Future directions to explore:

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- Using SAT instead of BDD?



- 1- Introduction to Planning and Synthesis (Giuseppe Perelli)
- 2- Planning with temporally extended goals (Giuseppe Perelli)
- 3-  $LTL_f$  synthesis under  $LTL$  specifications (Antonio Di Stasio)
- 4- Notable cases of  $LTL_f$  synthesis under  $LTL$  specifications (Shufang Zhu)
- 5- Symbolic Synthesis (Shufang Zhu)