

Computational Complexity

Lecture 2
in which we talk about
NP-completeness
(reductions, reductions)

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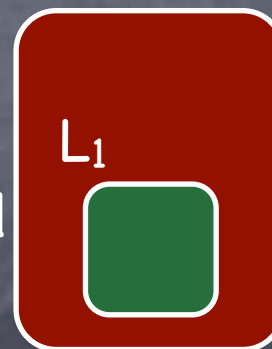
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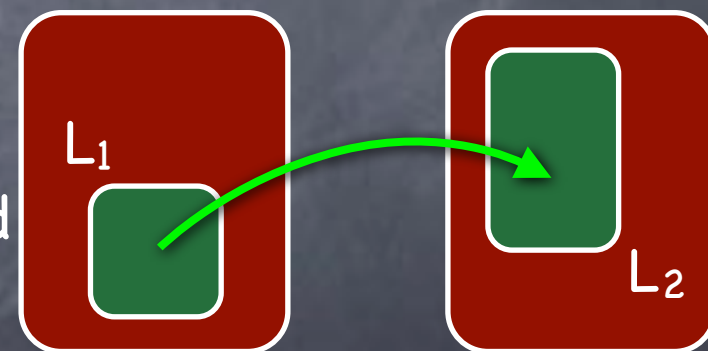
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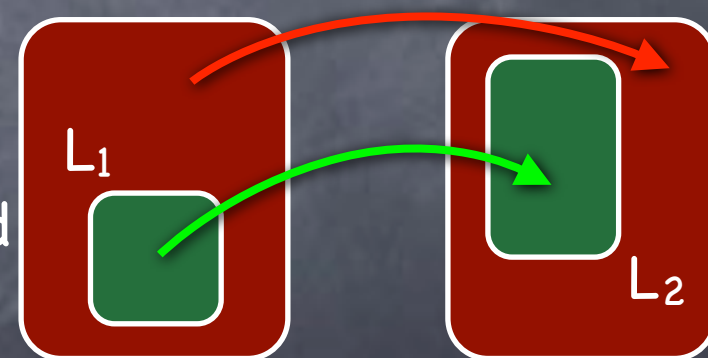
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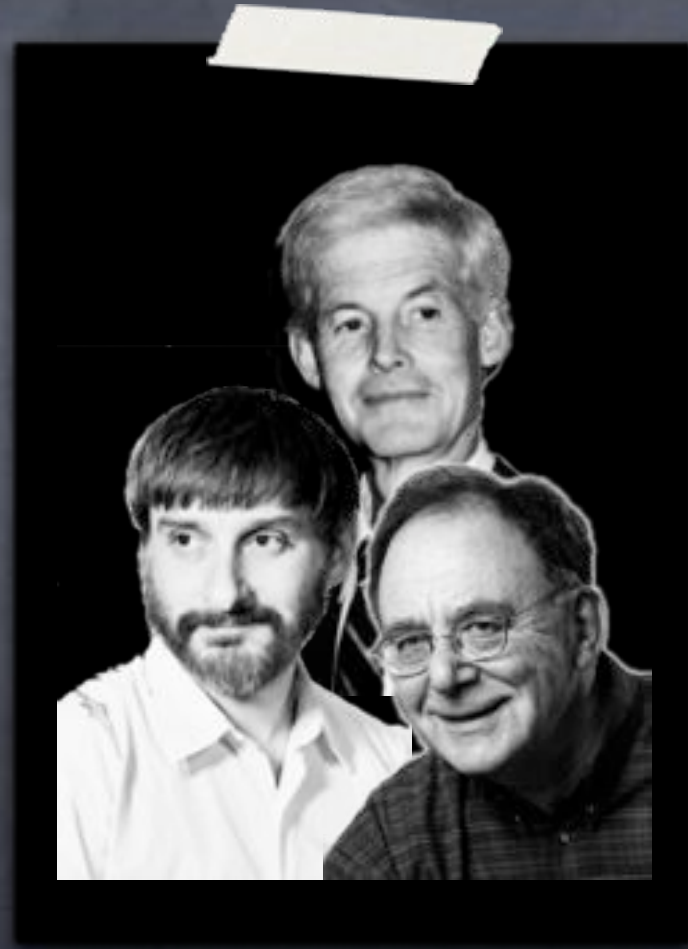
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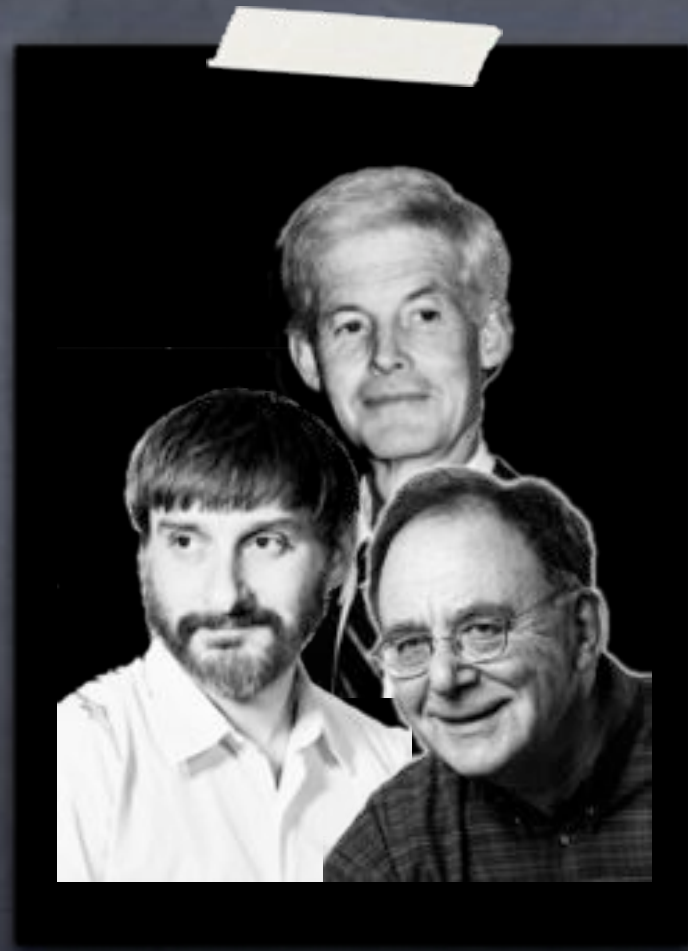
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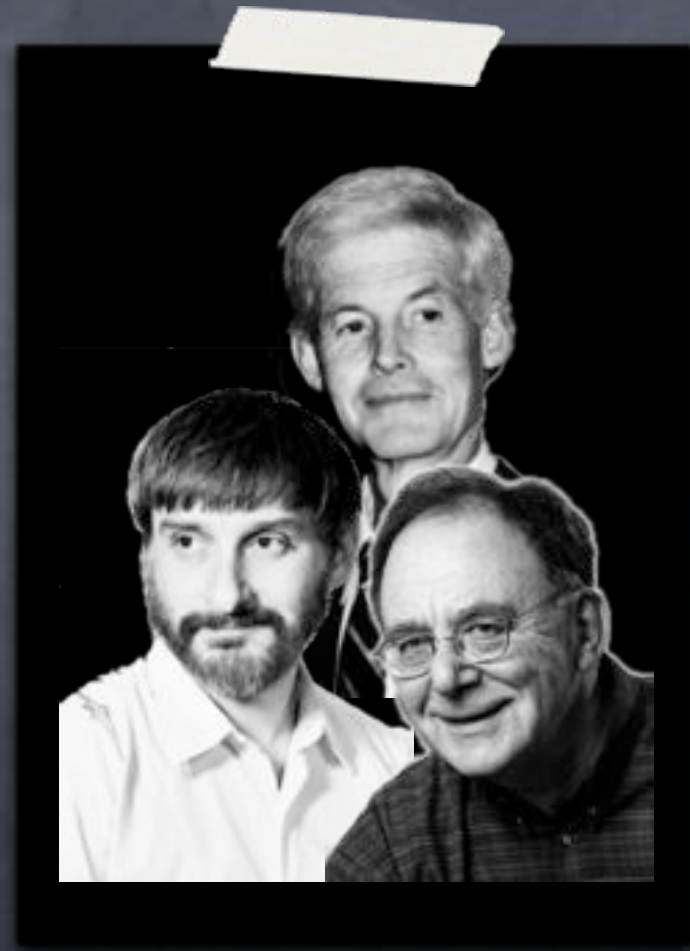
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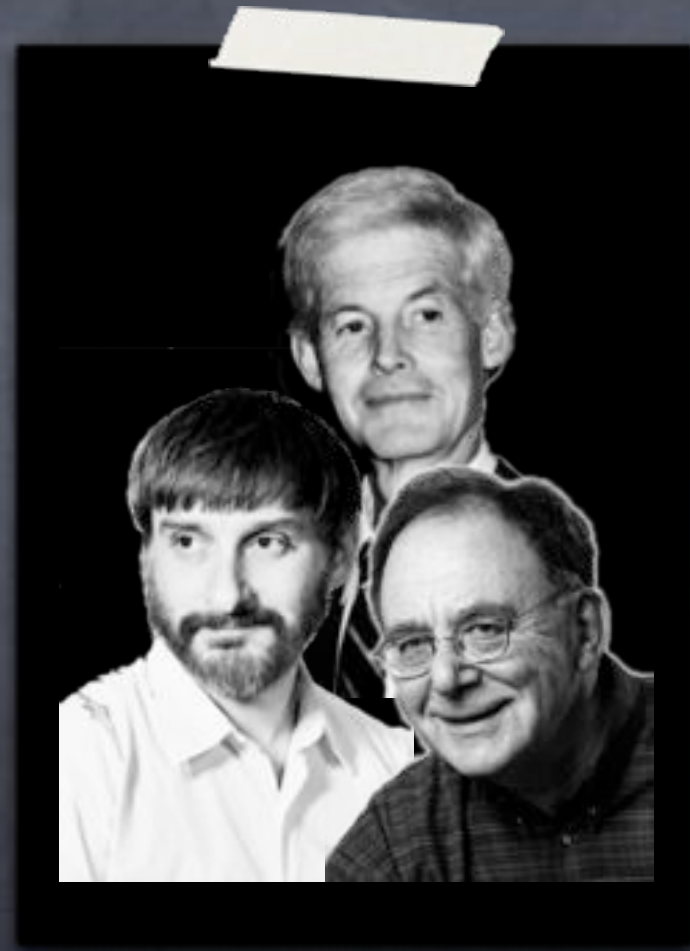
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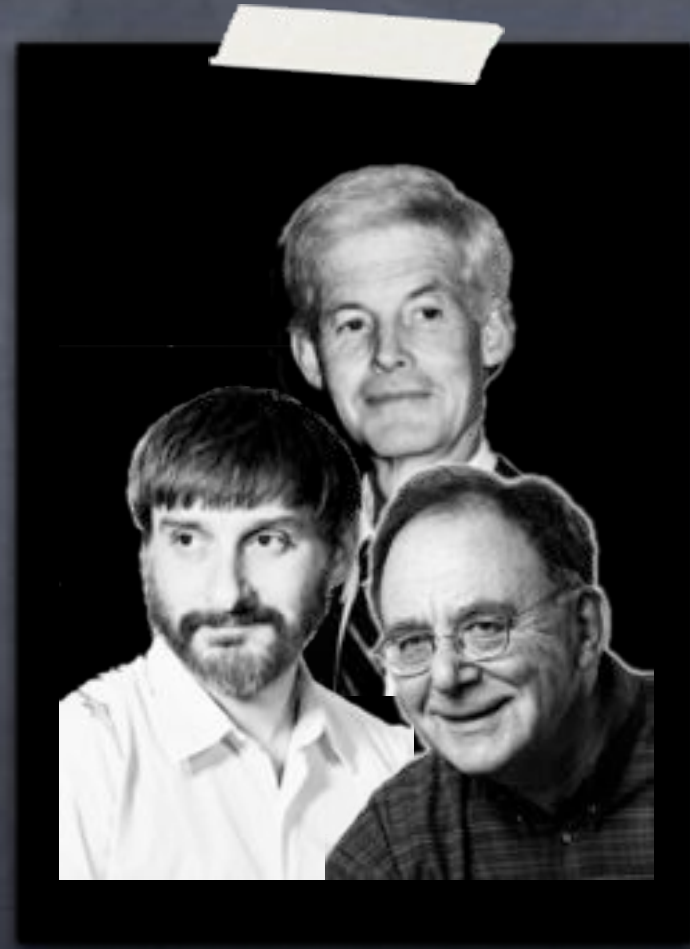
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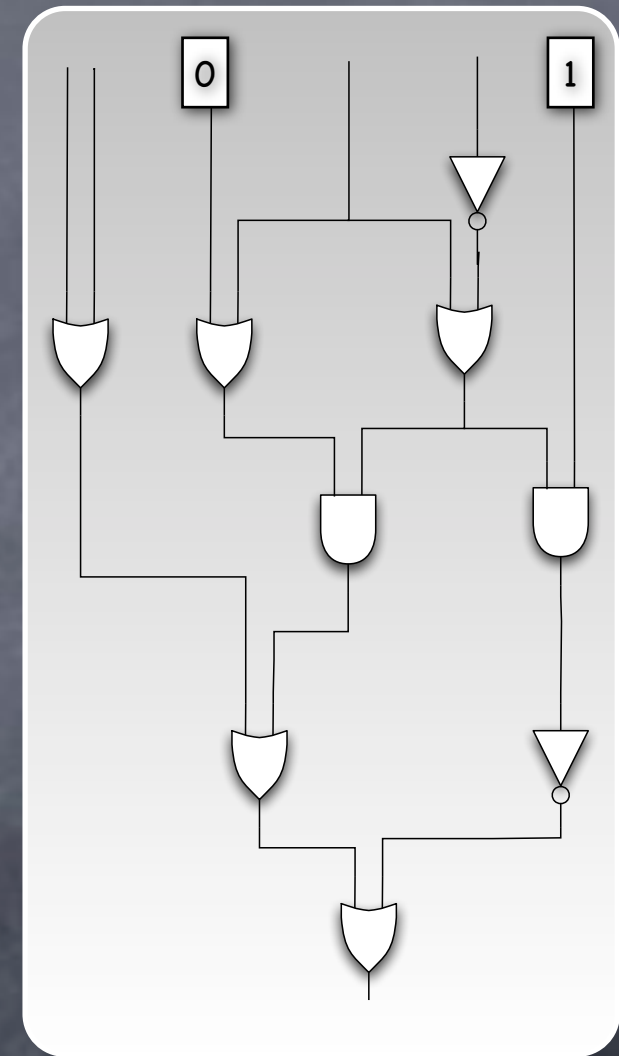
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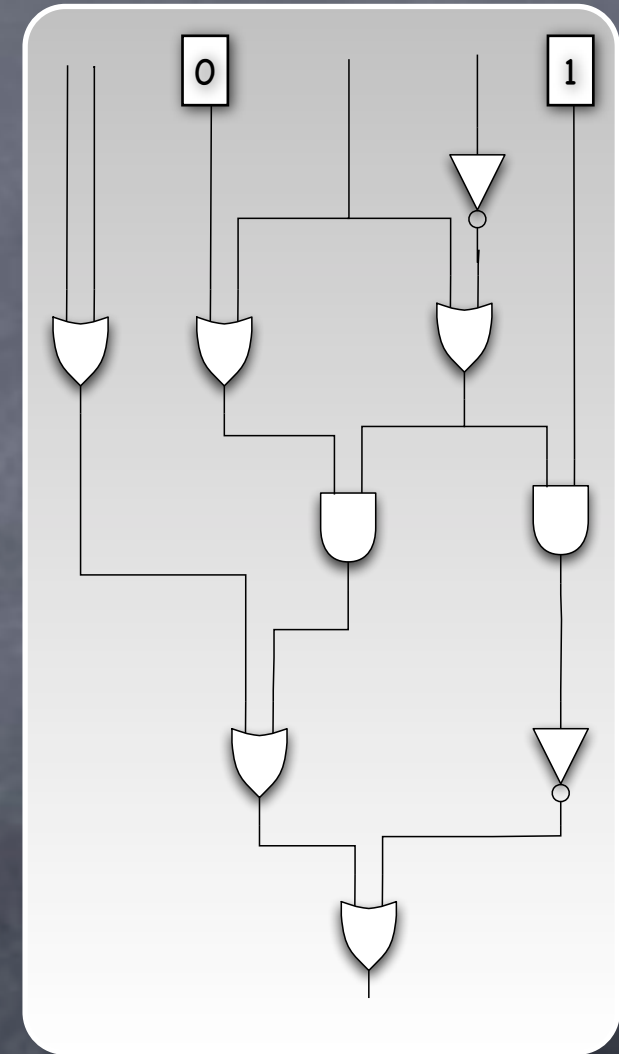
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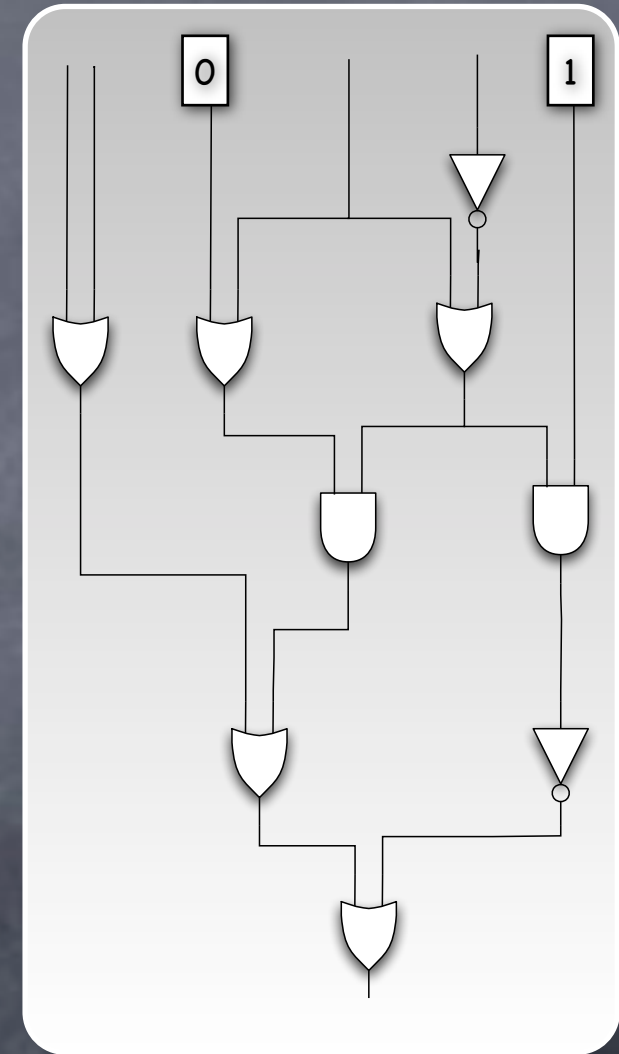
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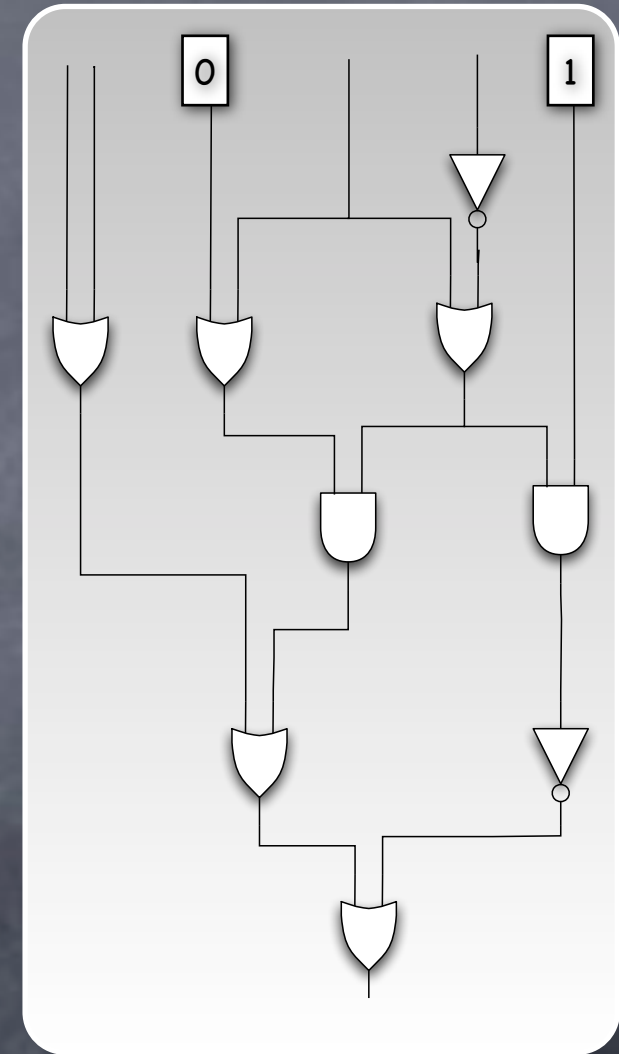
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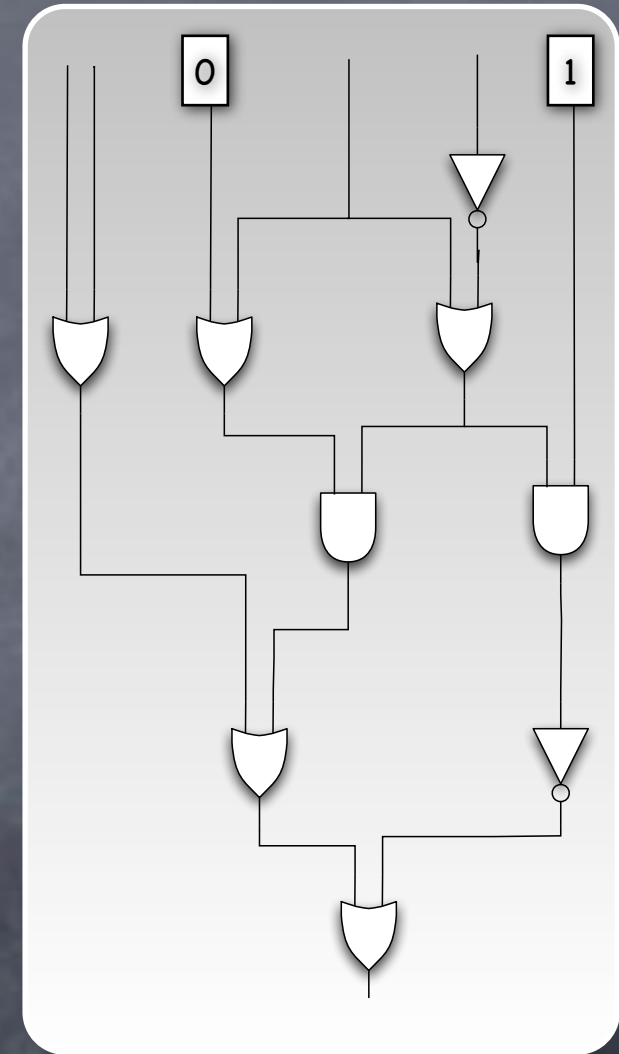
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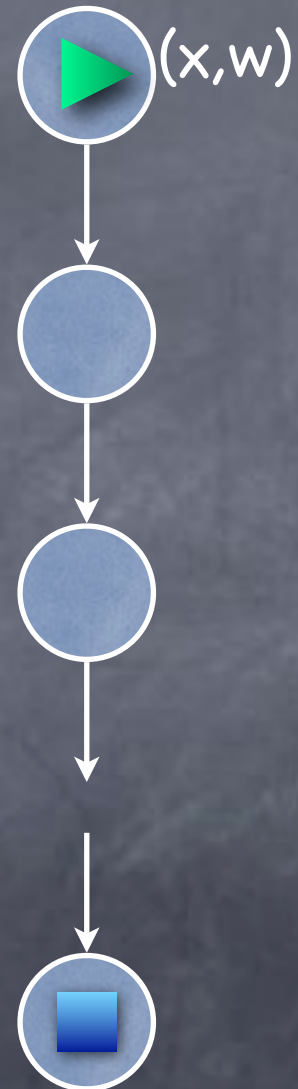
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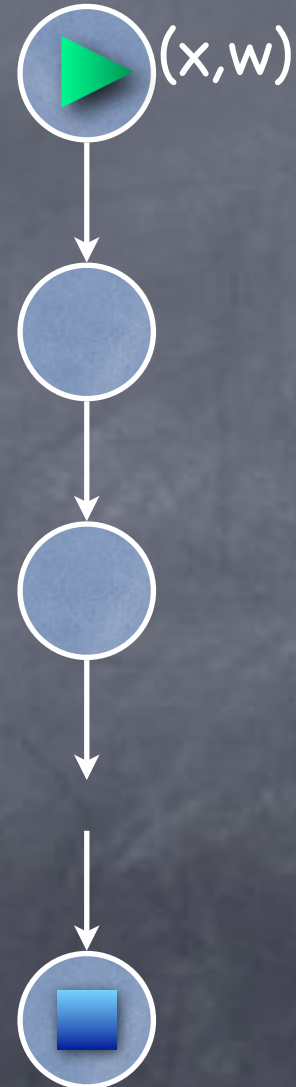
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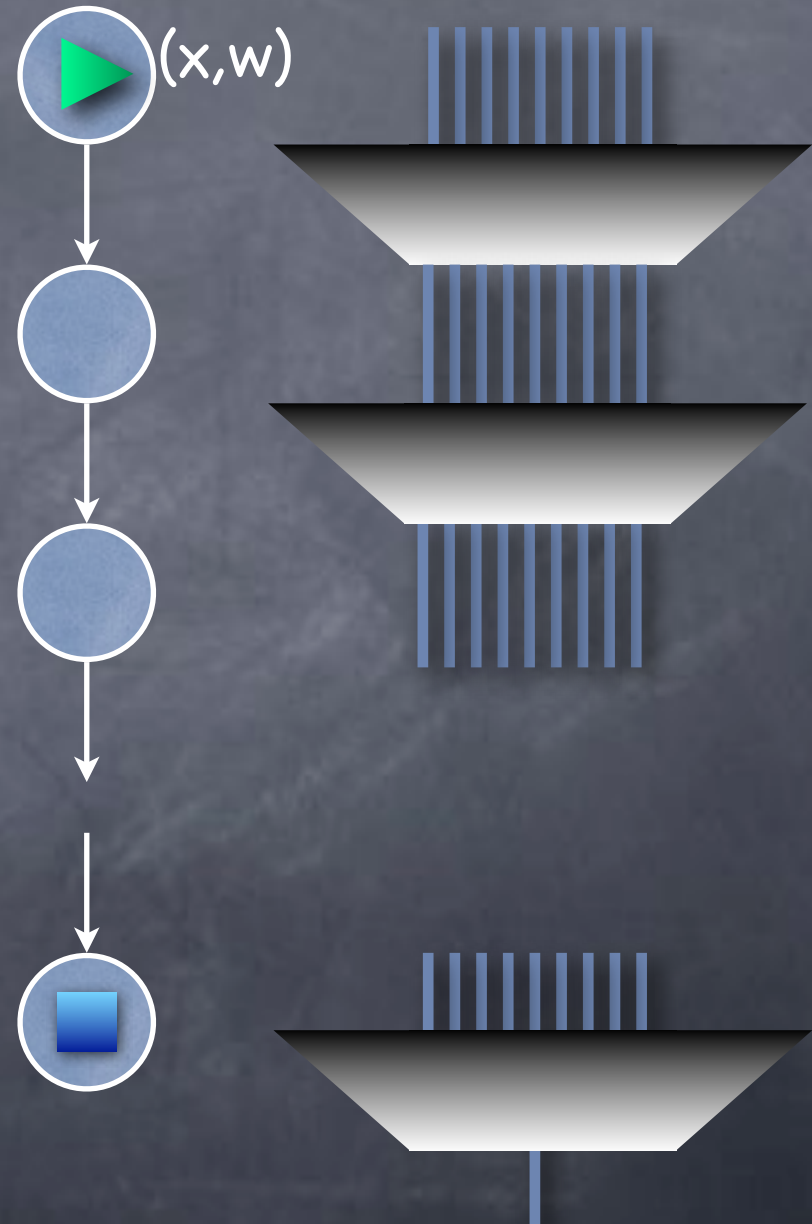
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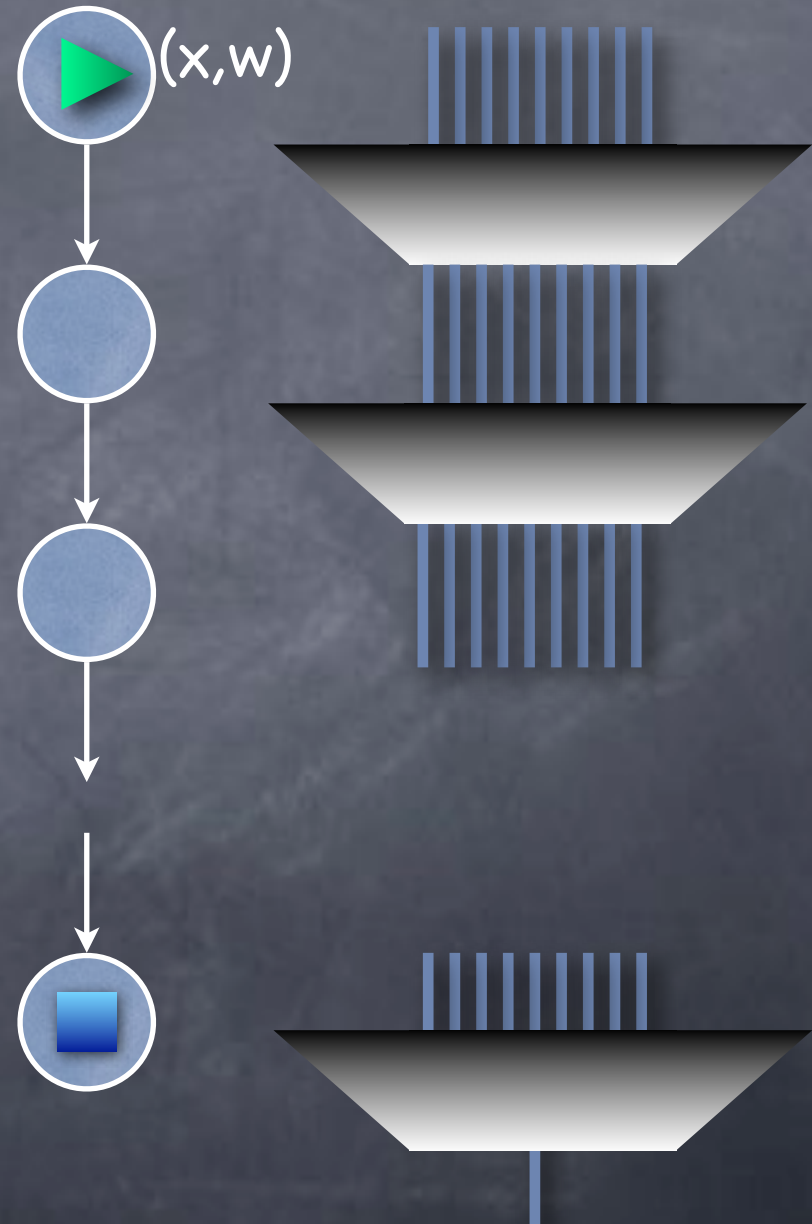
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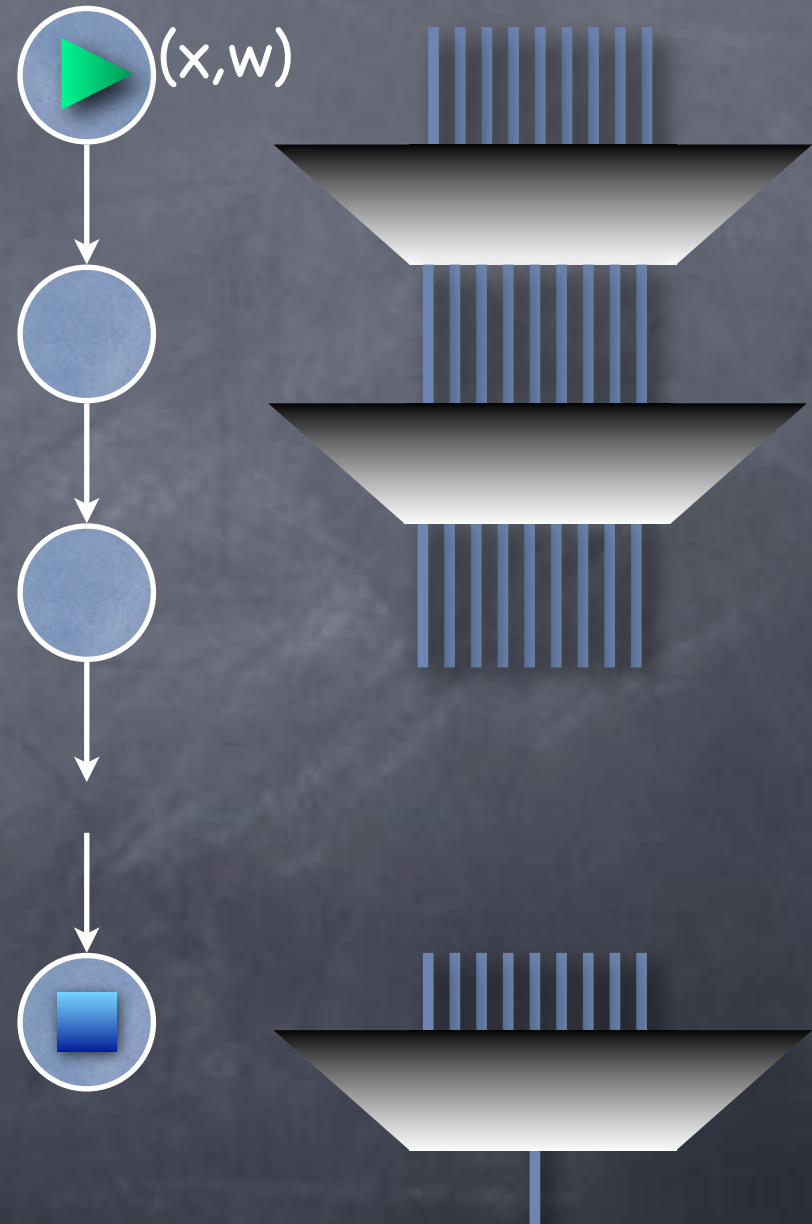
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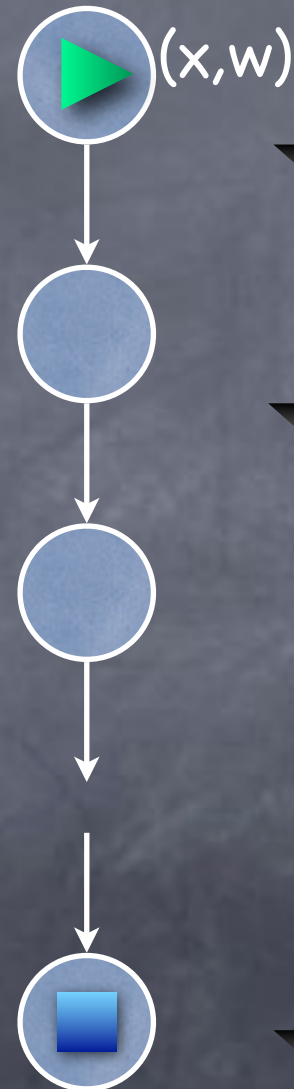
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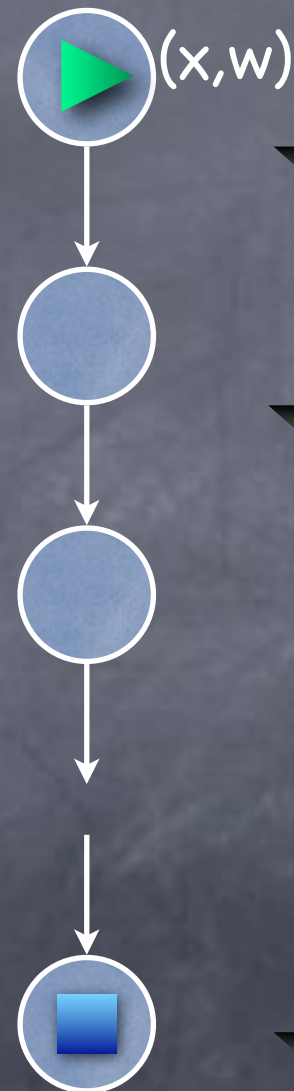
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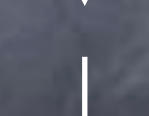


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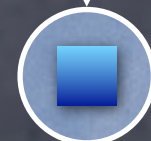
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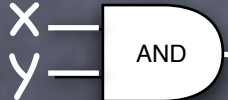
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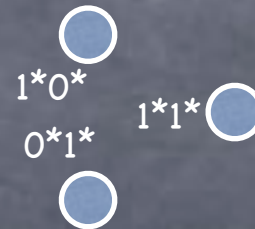
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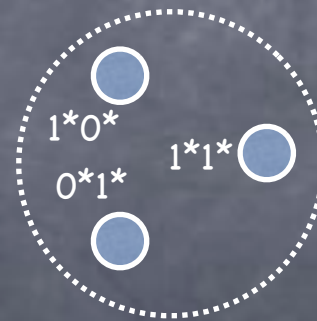
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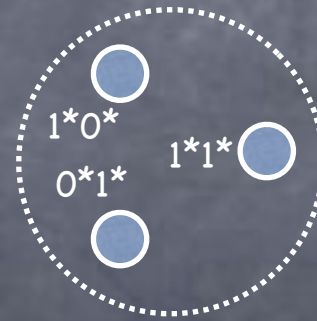
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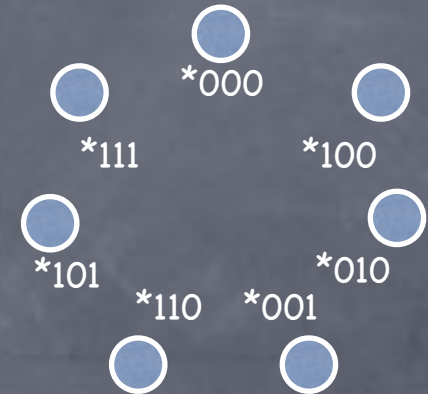
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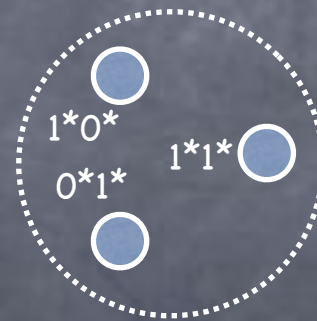
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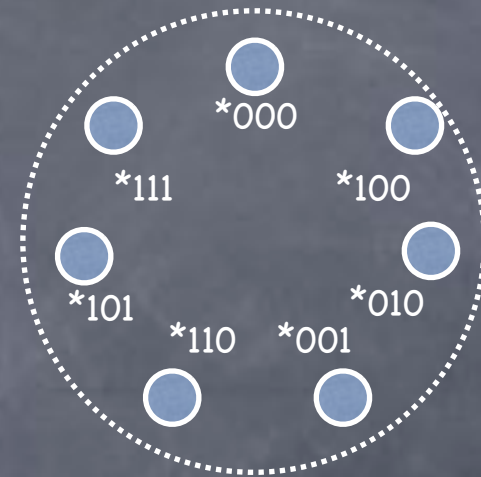
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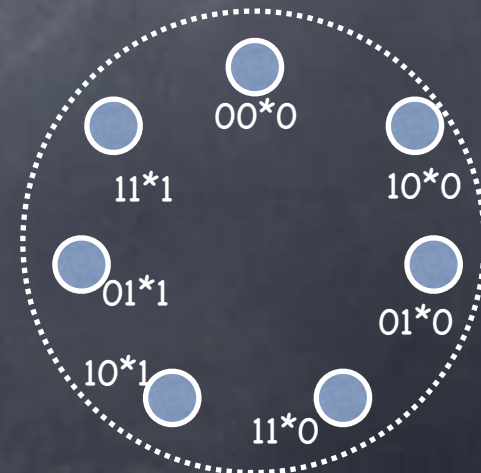
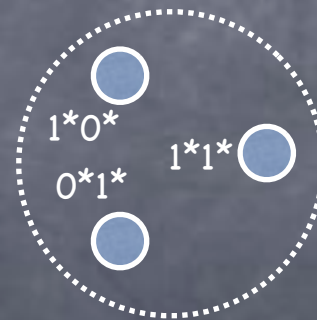
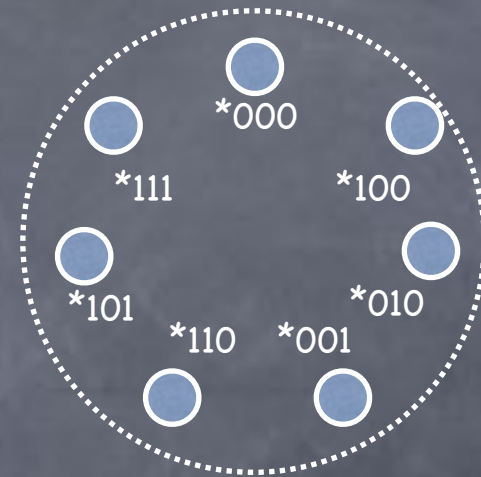
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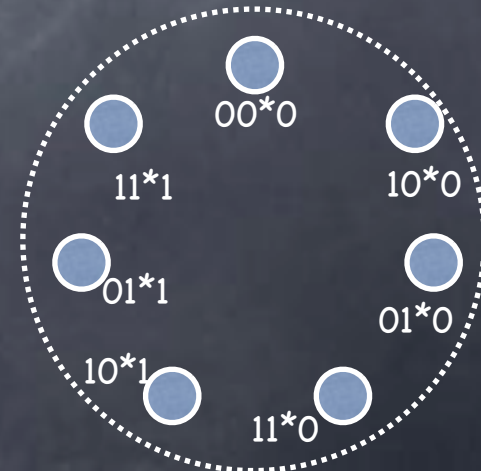
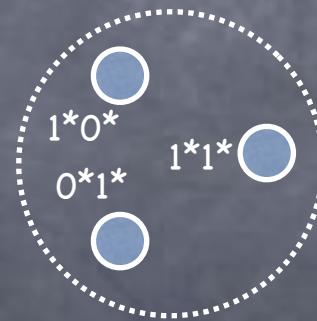
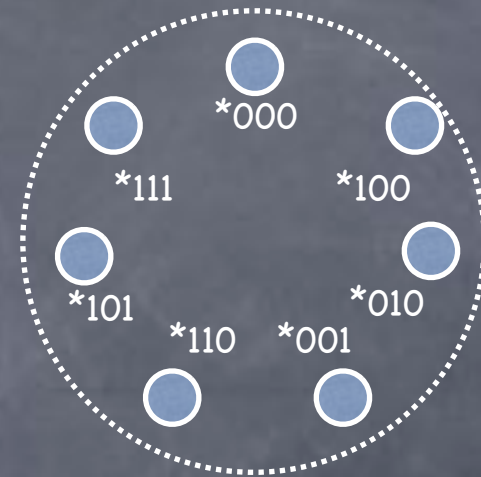
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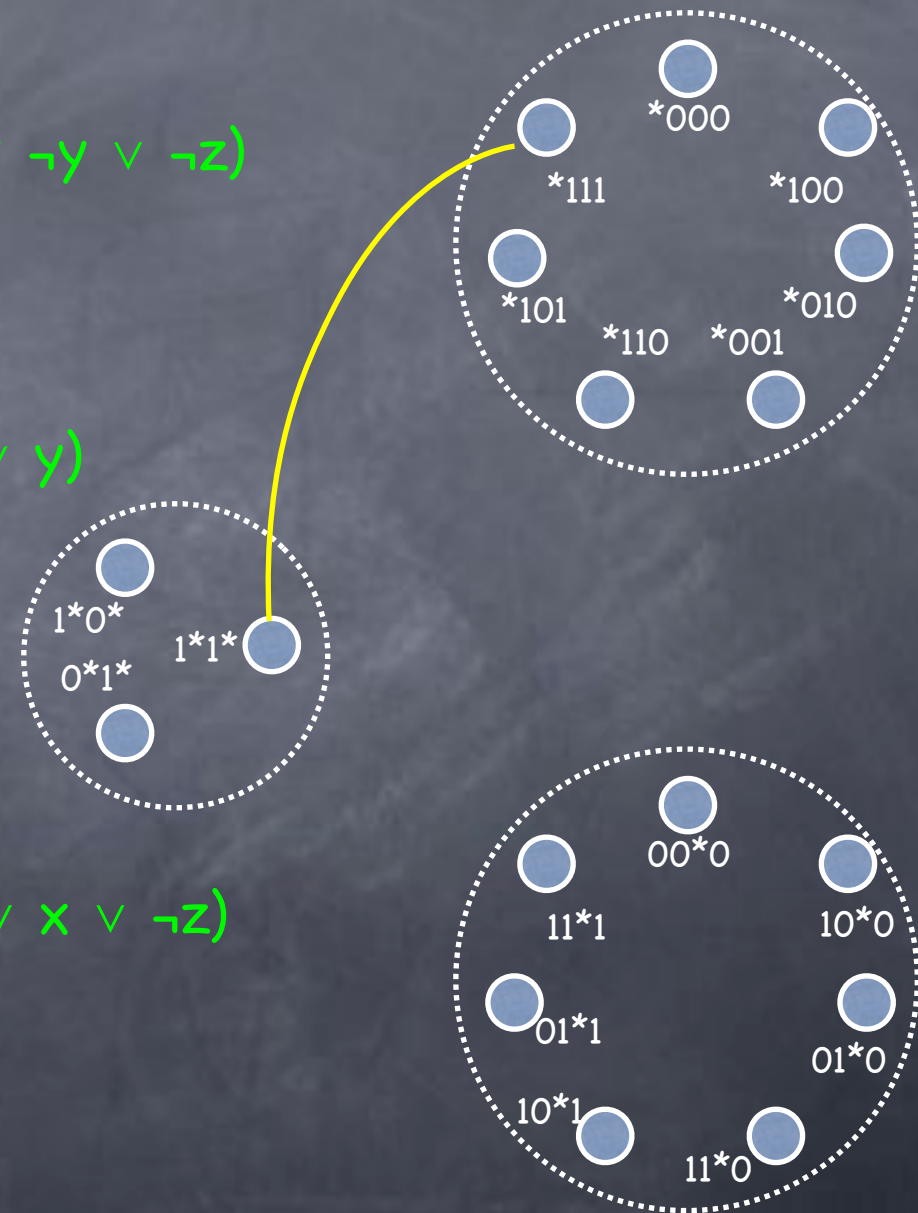
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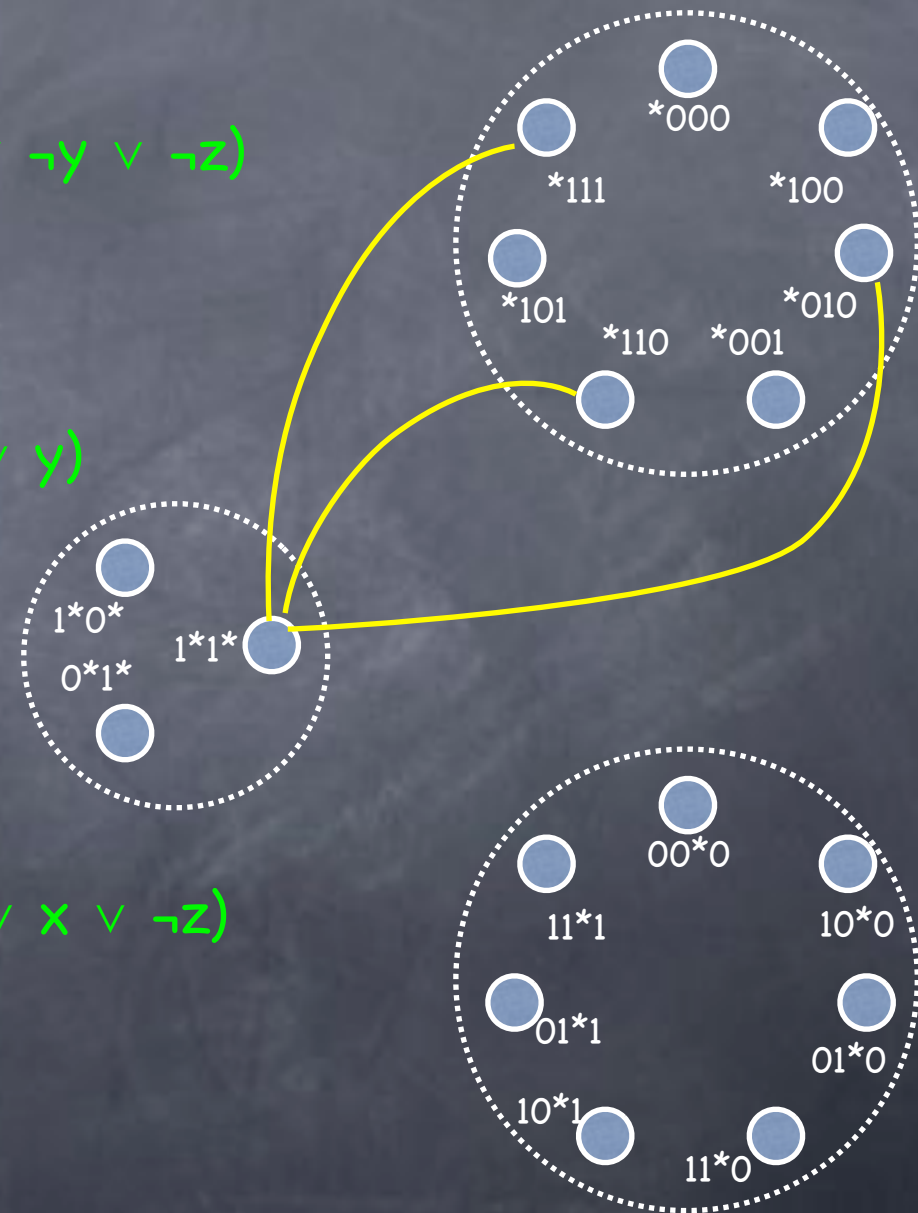
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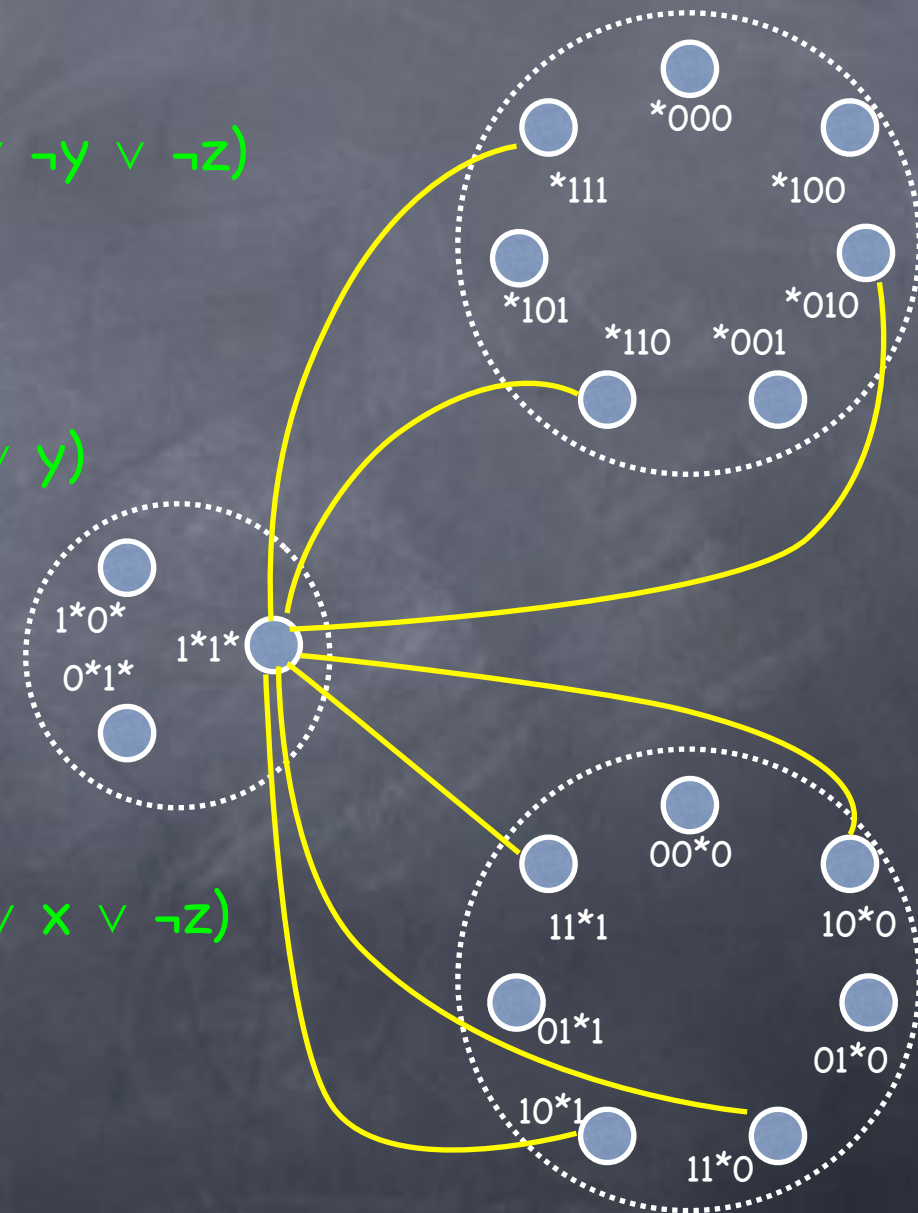
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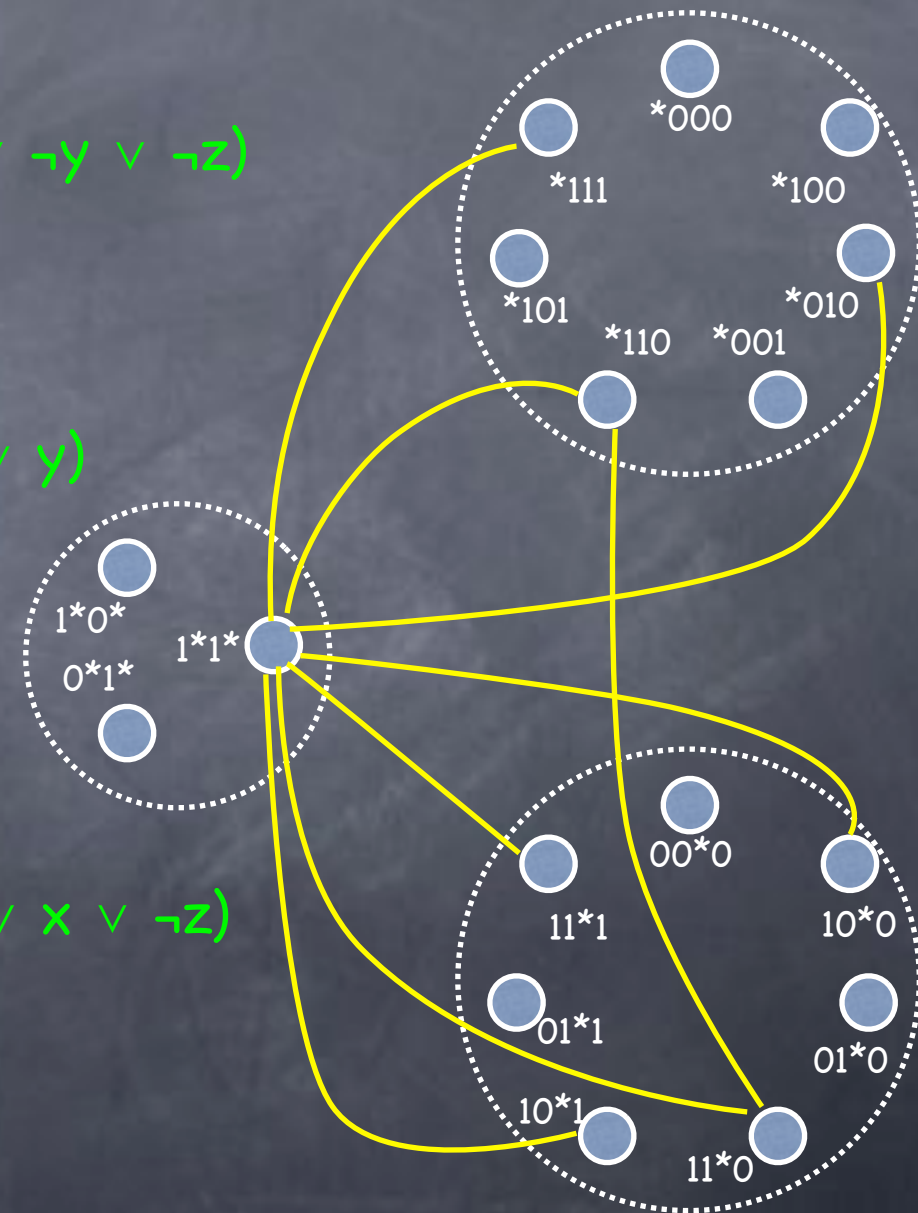
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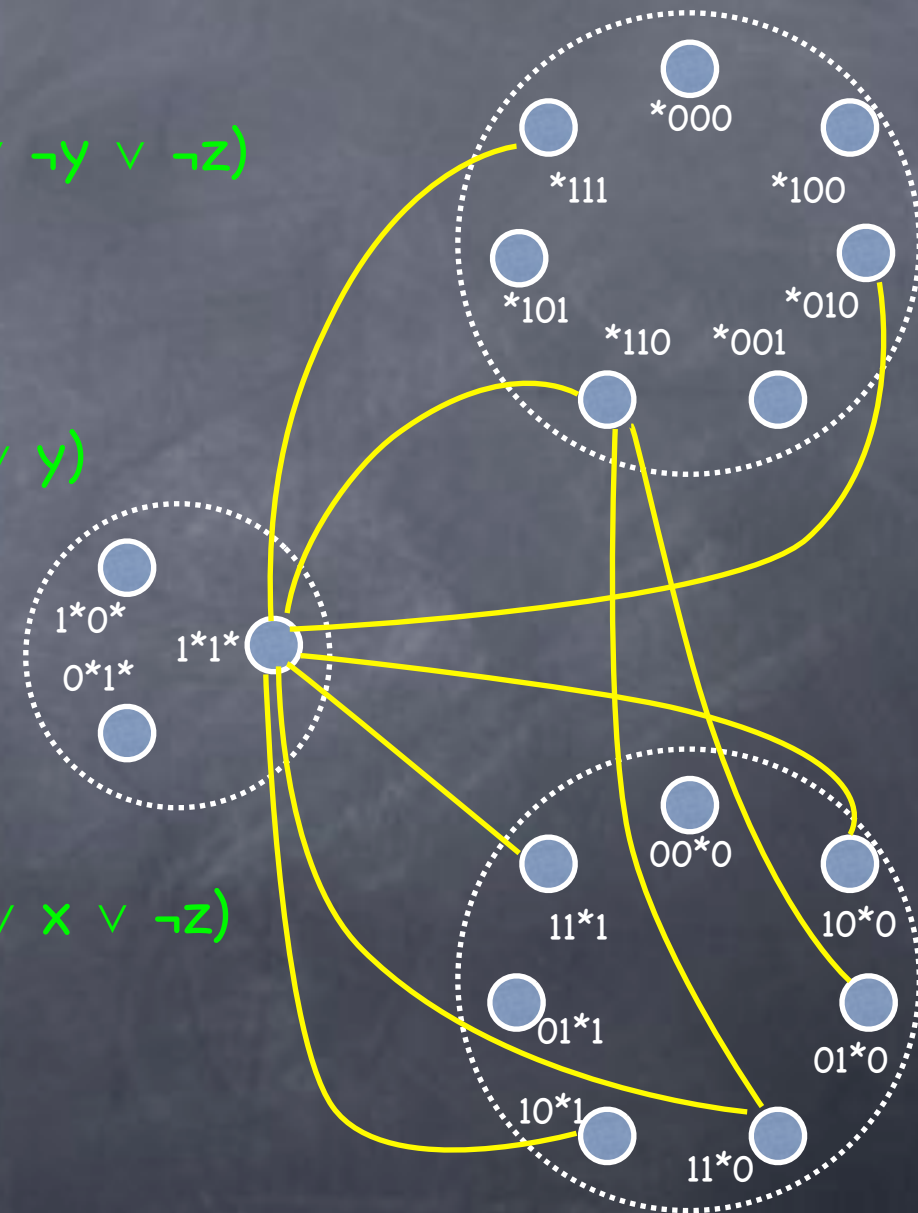
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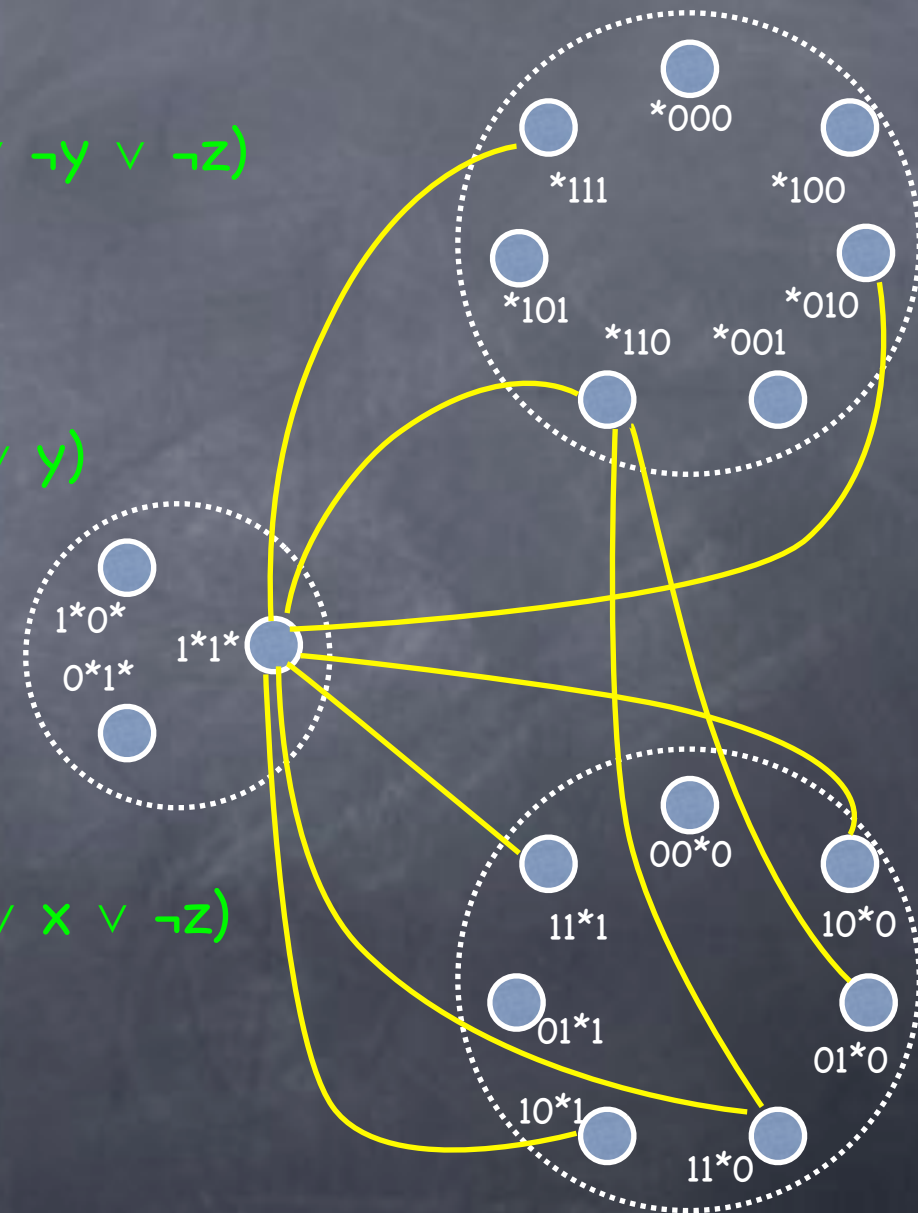
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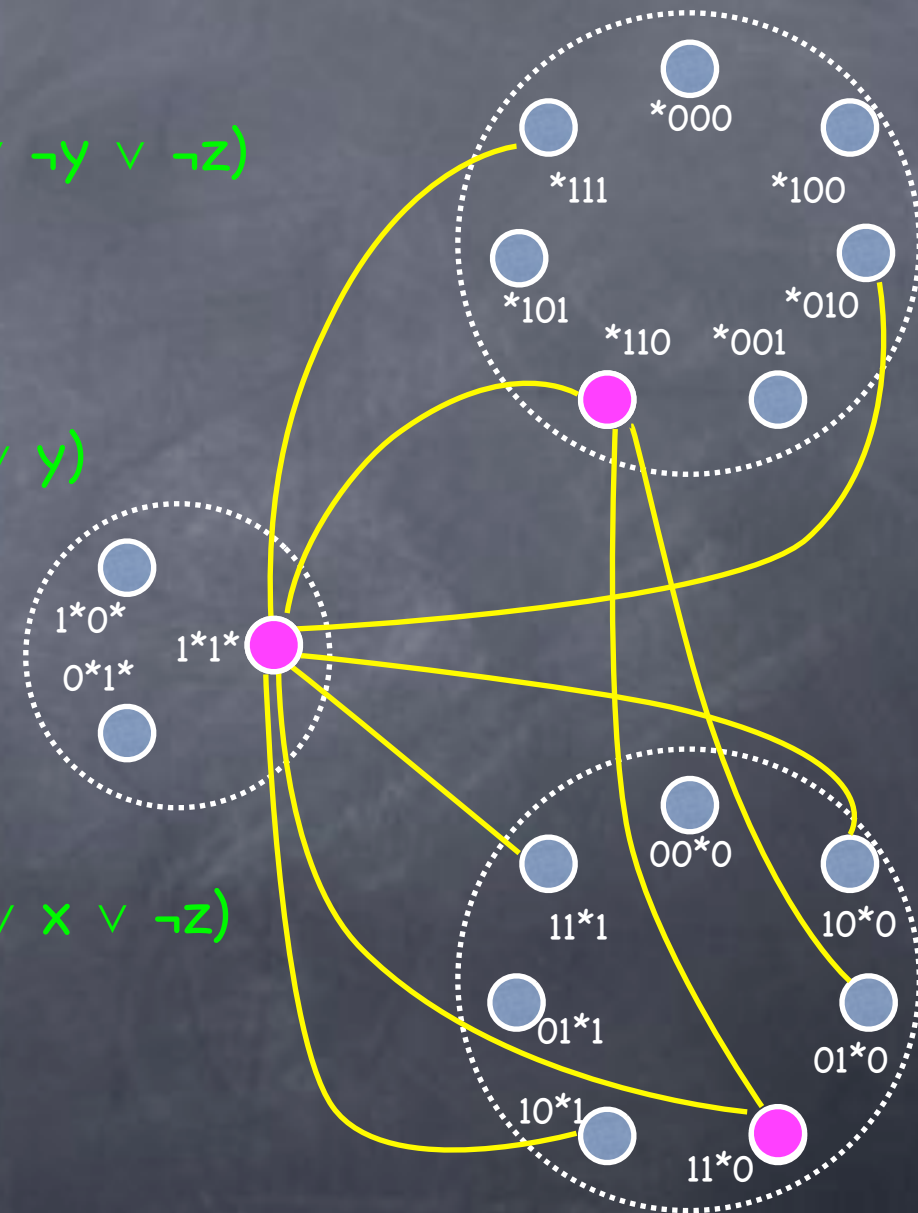
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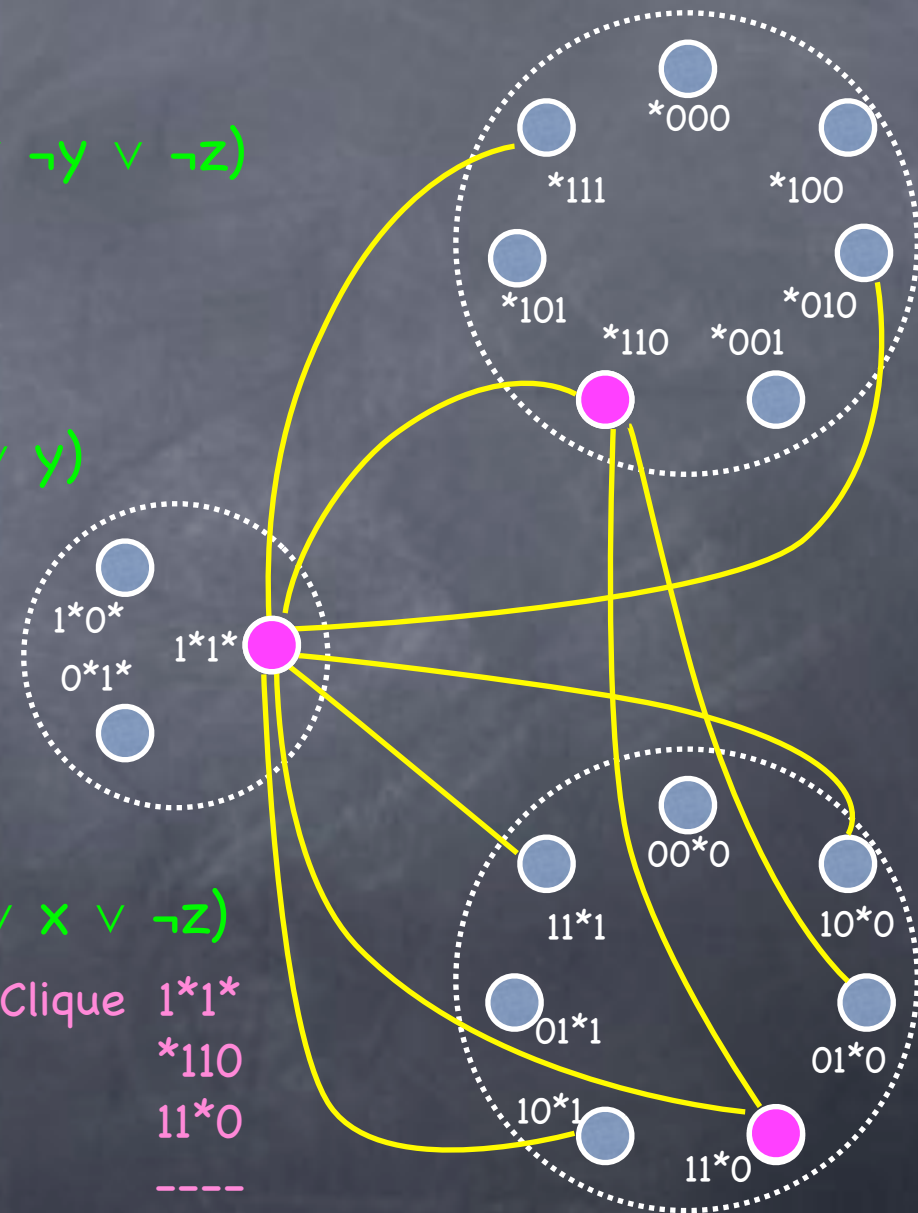
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sat assignment 1110



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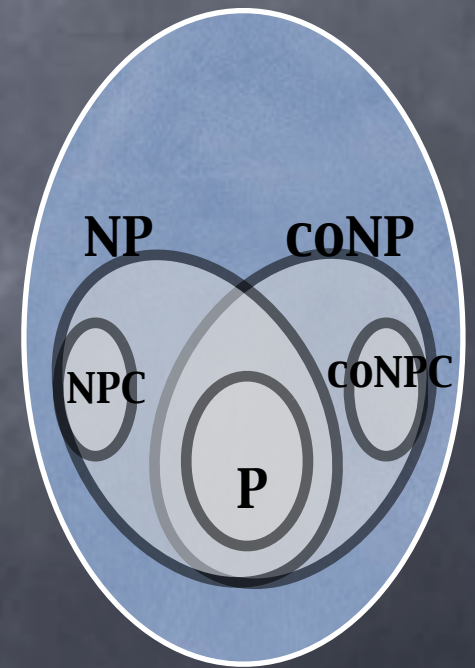
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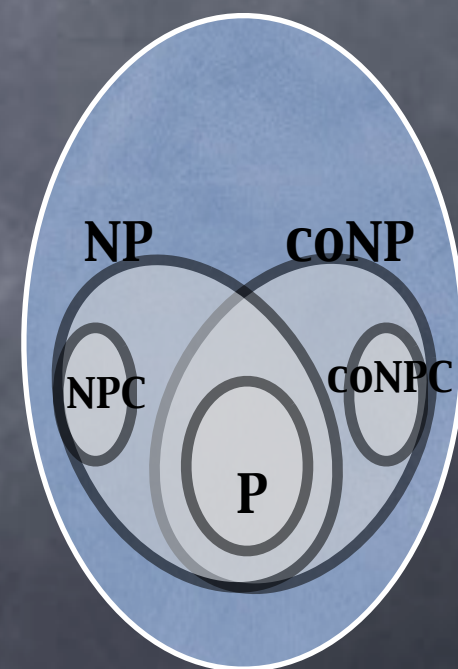
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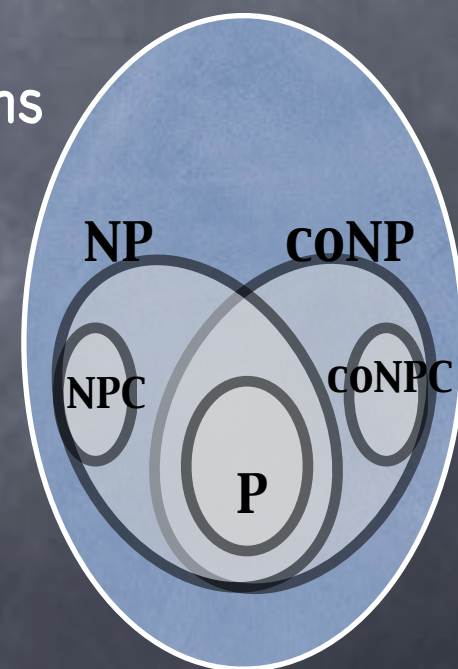
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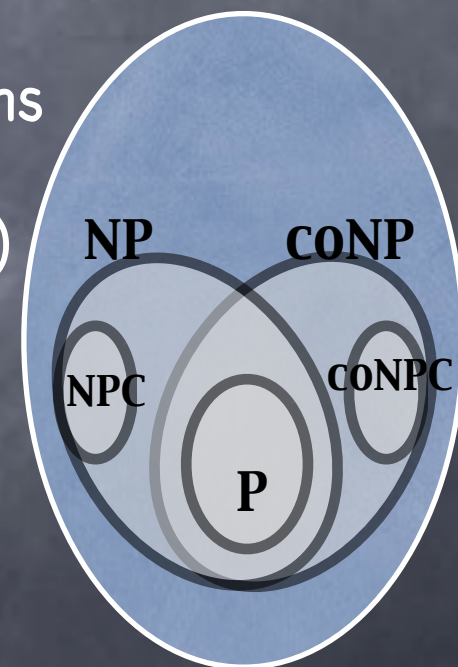
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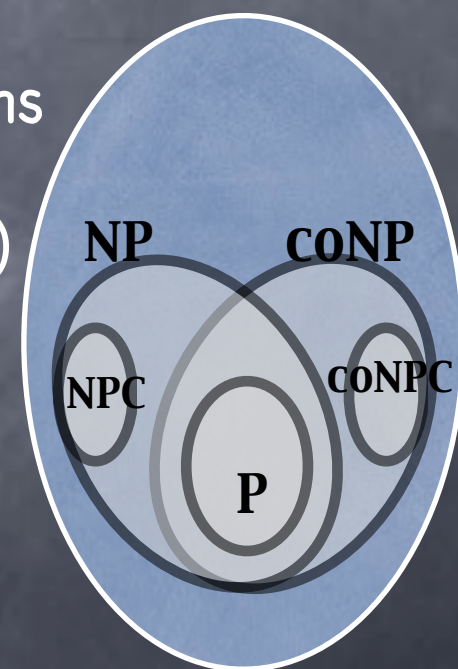
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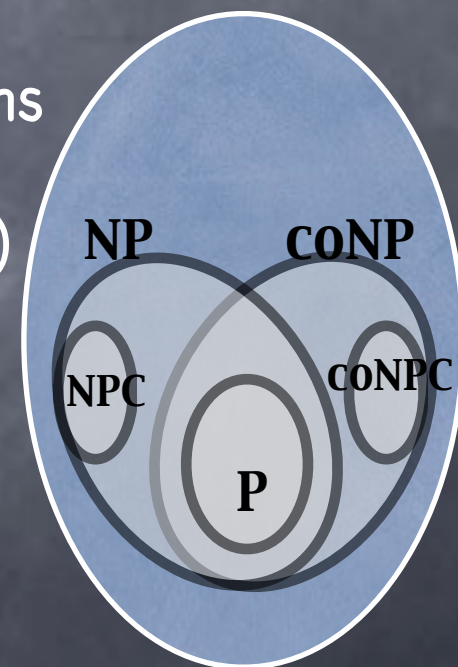
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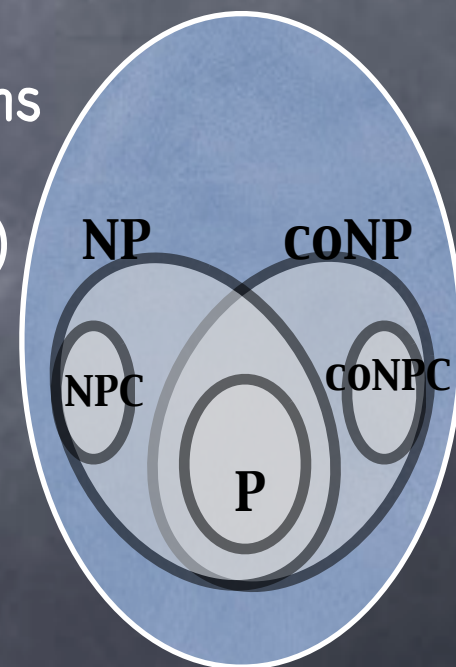
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