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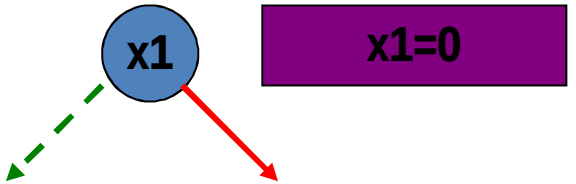


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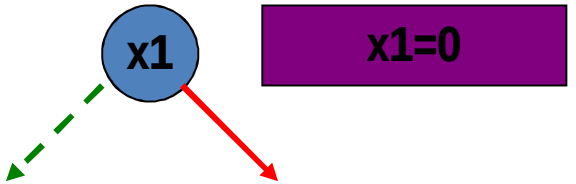


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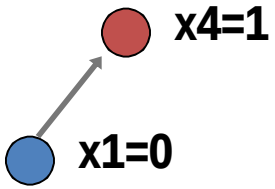

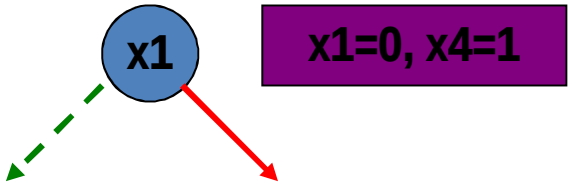

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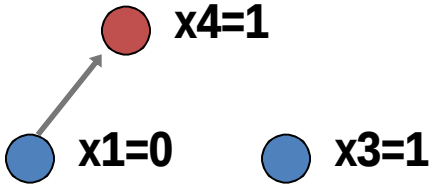

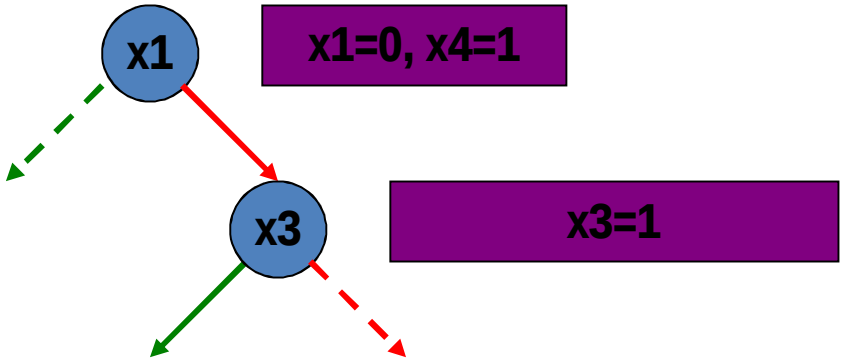

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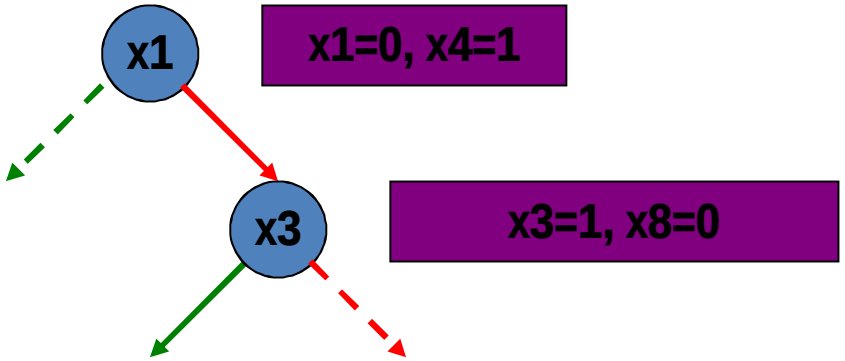

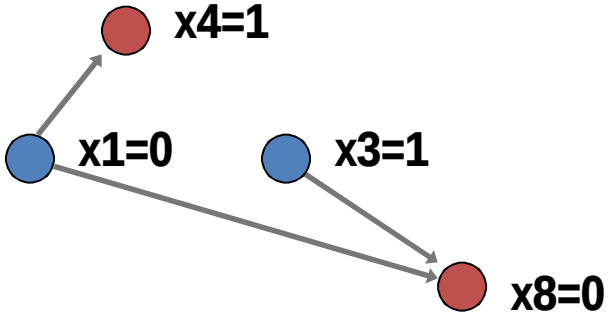

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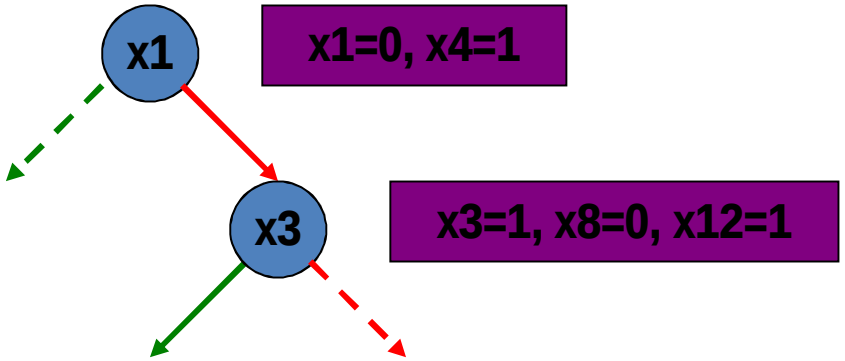

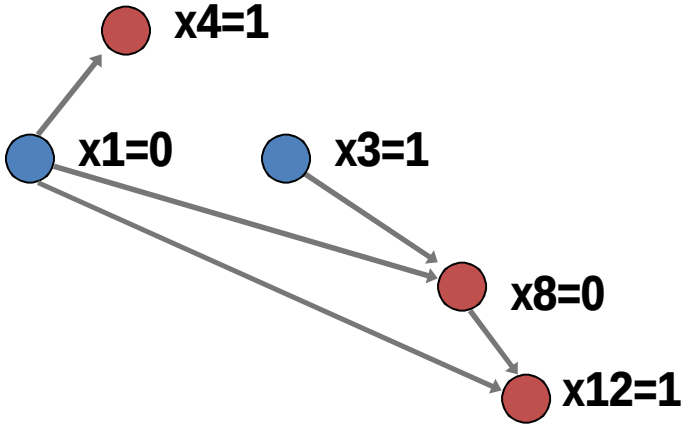

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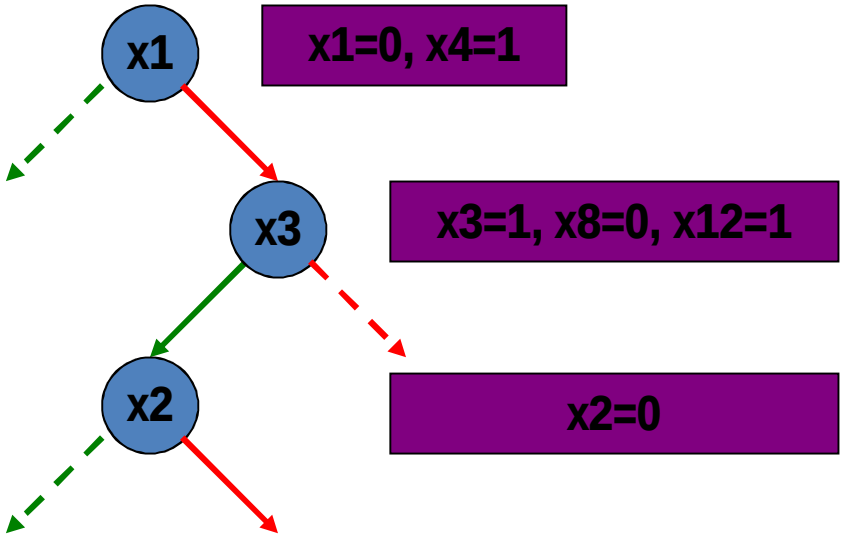

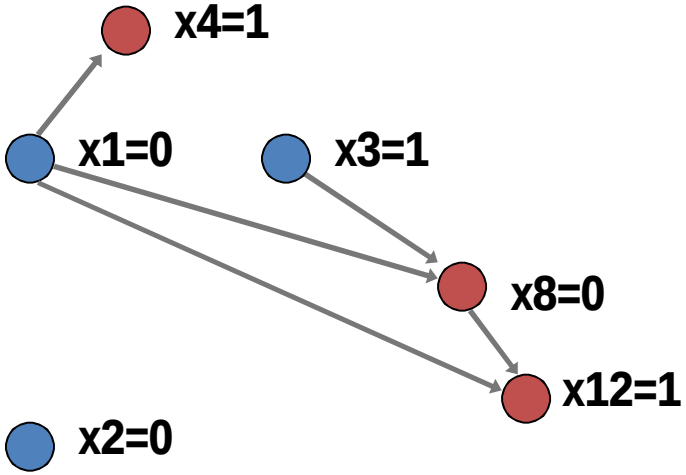

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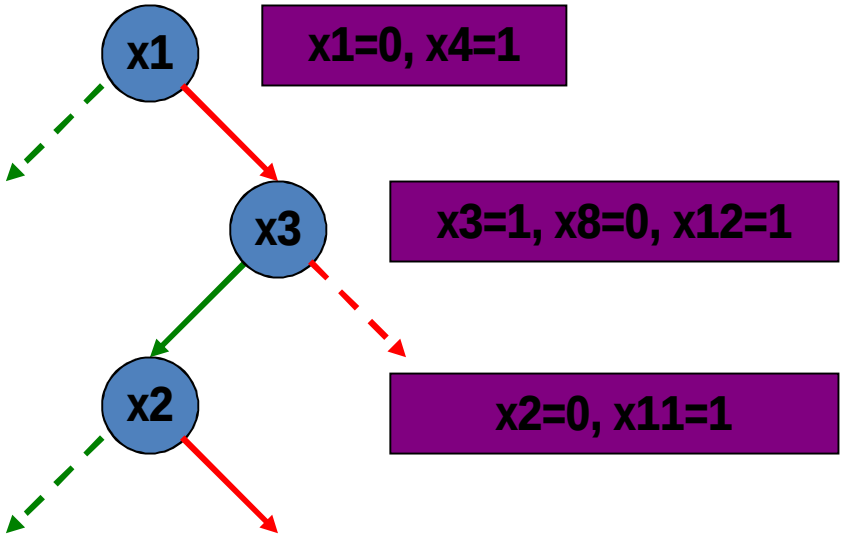

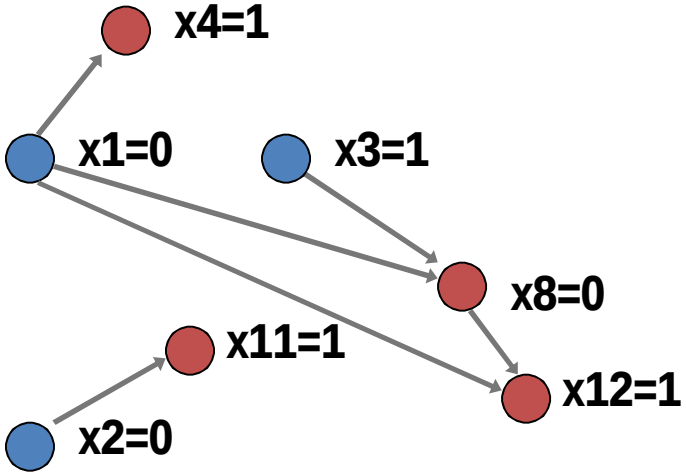

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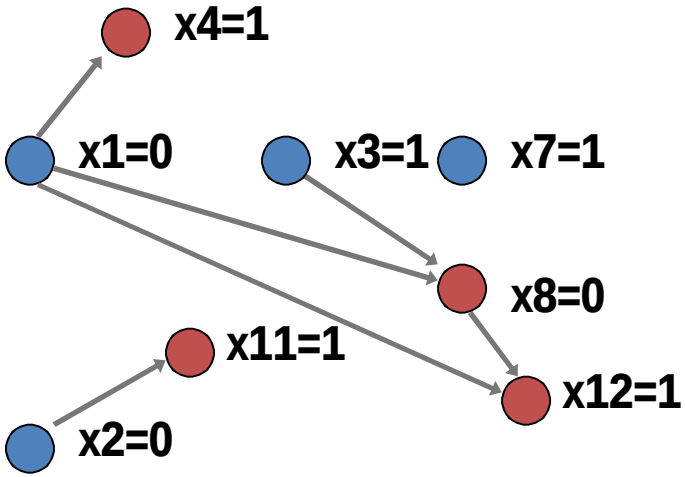

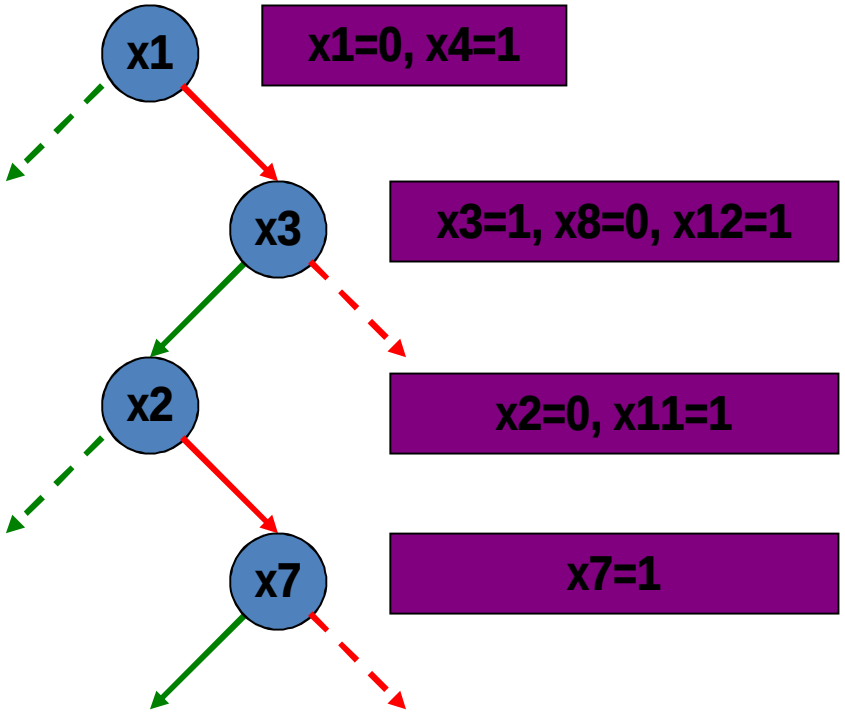

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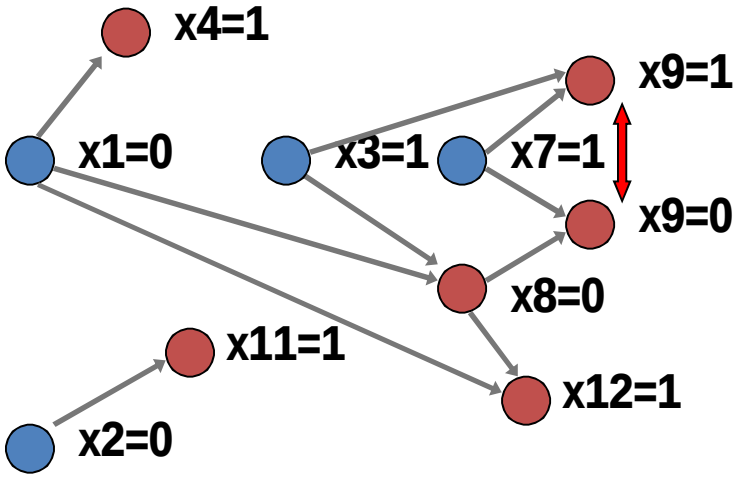

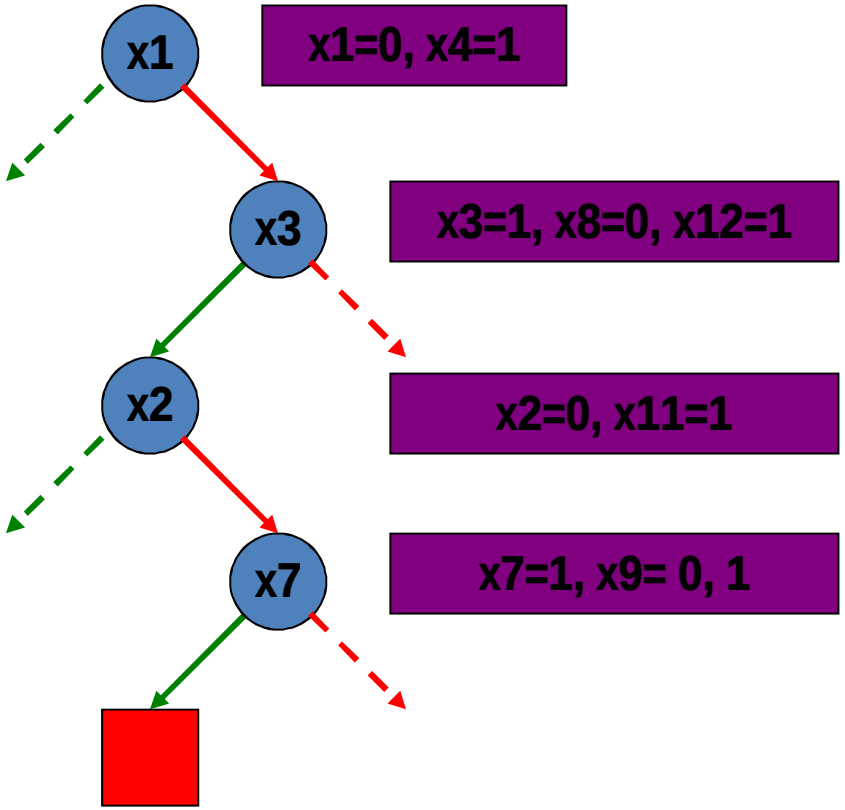

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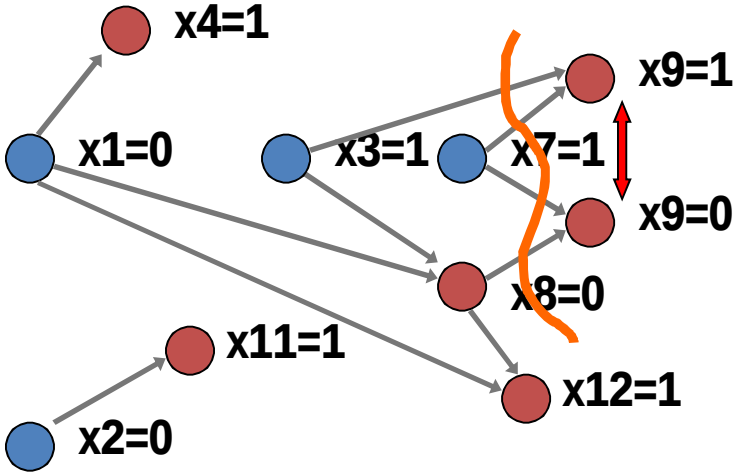

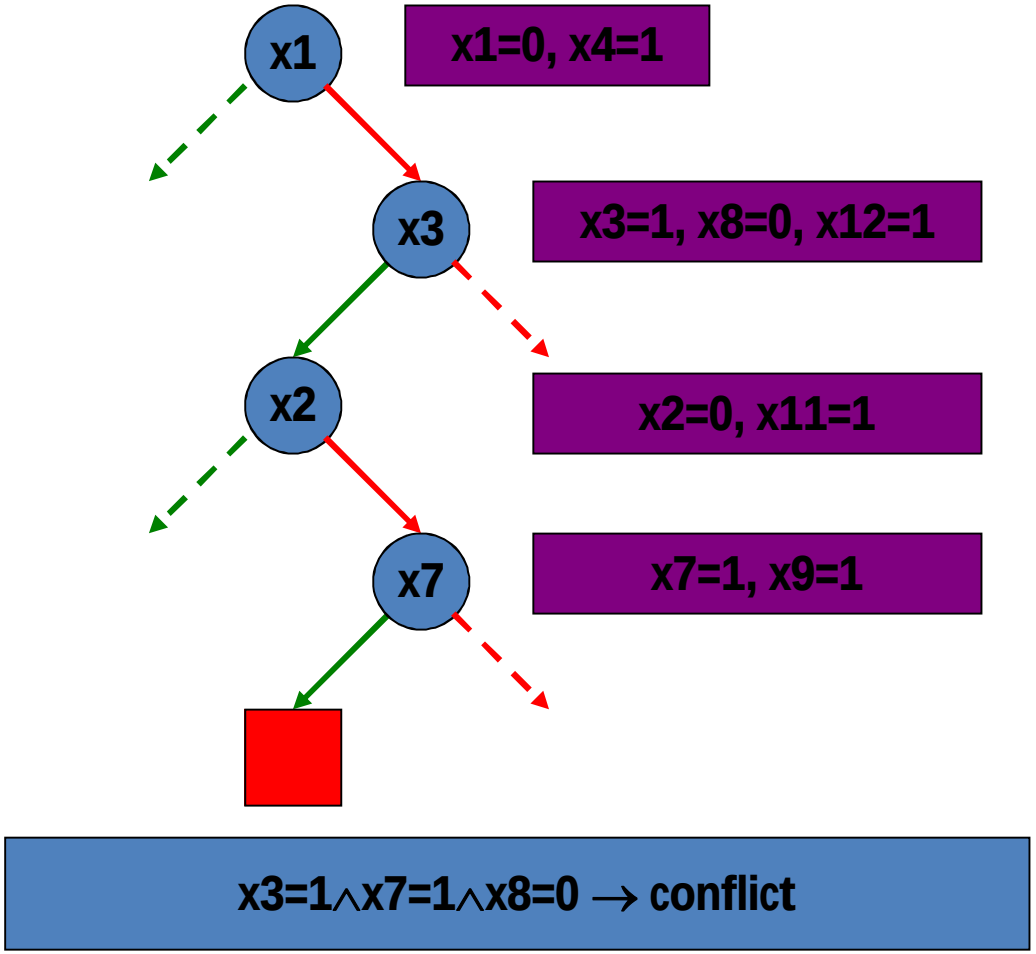

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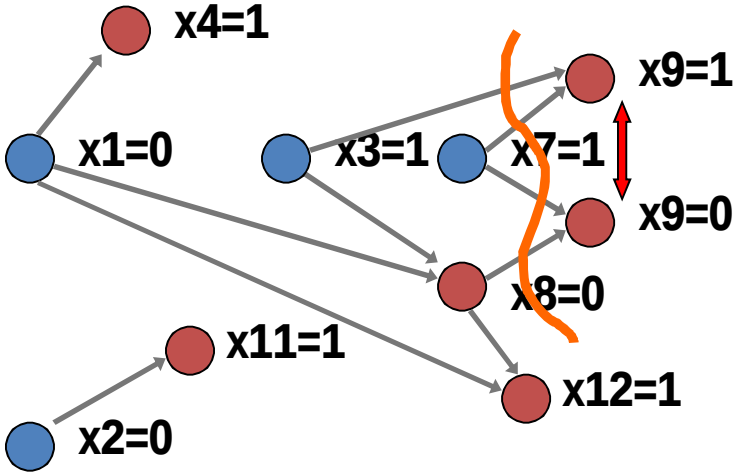

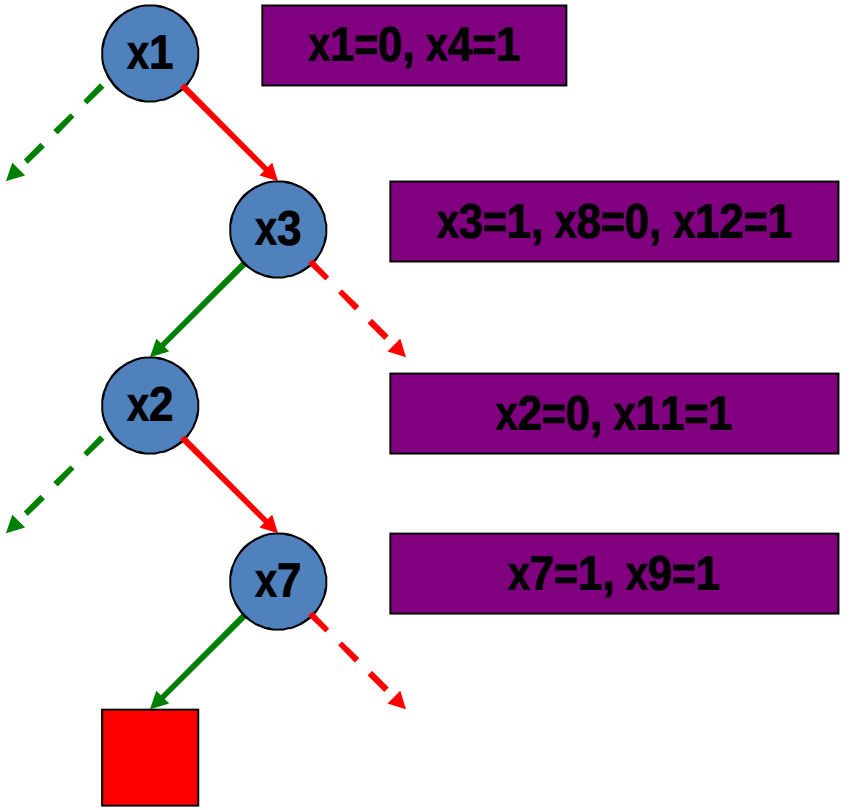

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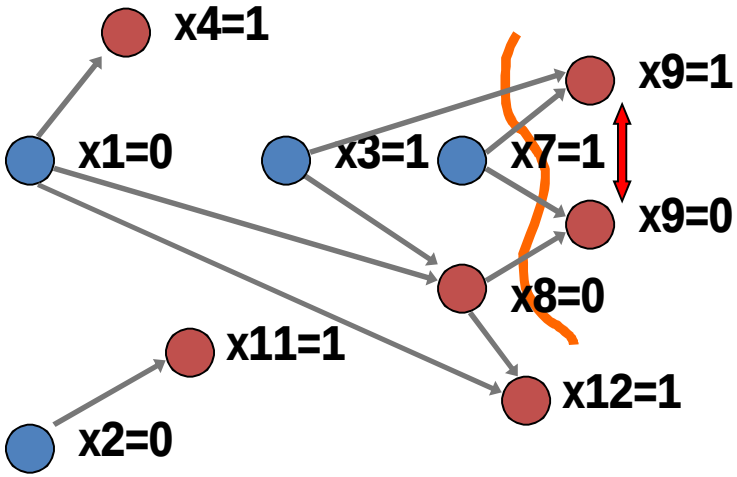

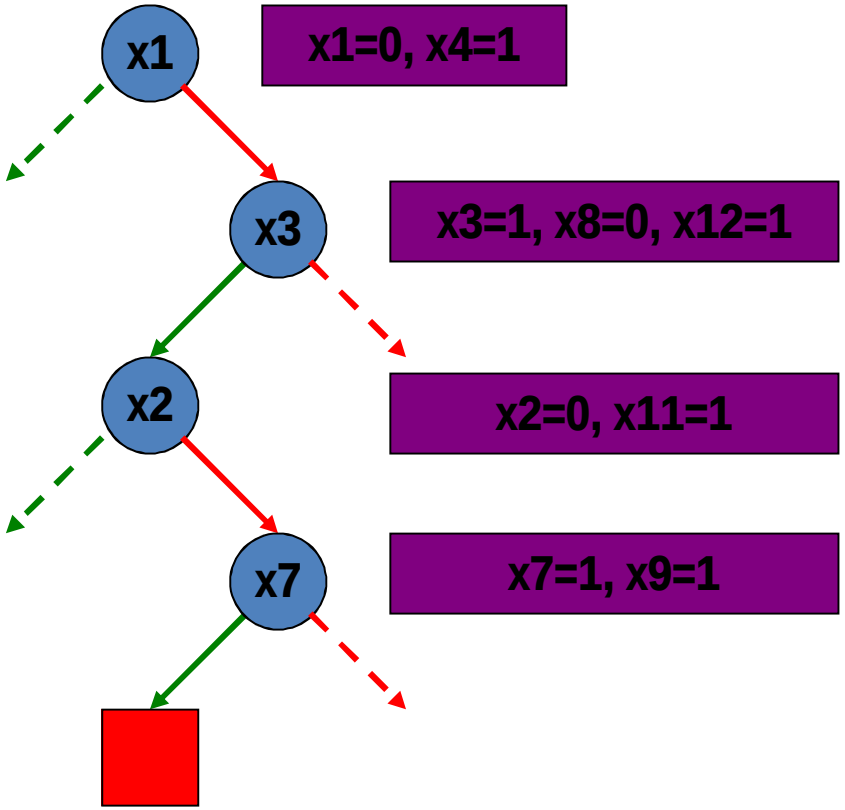

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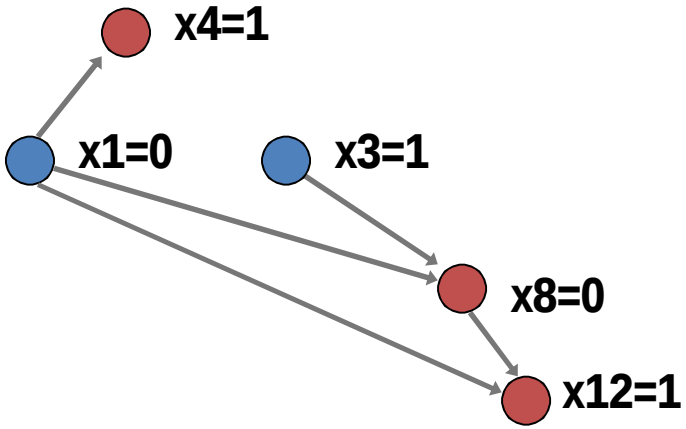
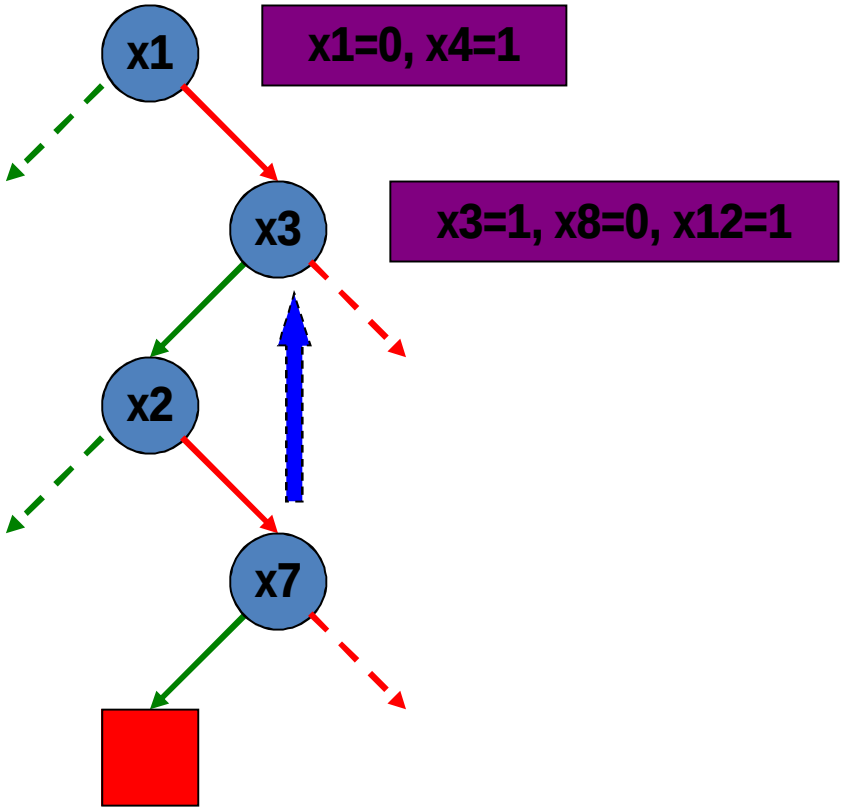
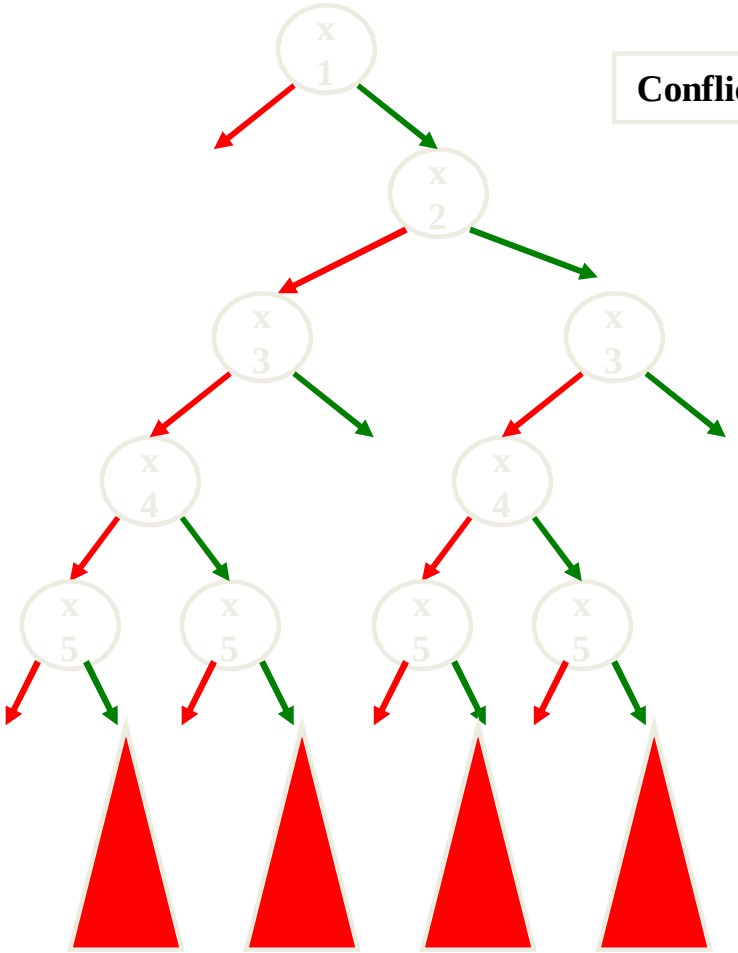




Backtrack to the decision level of x3=1
With implication x7 = 0

What's the big deal?



Conflict clause: x1'+x3+x5'

Significantly prune the search space – learned clause is useful forever!

Useful in generating future conflict clauses.

BCP Algorithm (2/8)

- Let's illustrate this with an example:

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BCP Algorithm (2.1/8)

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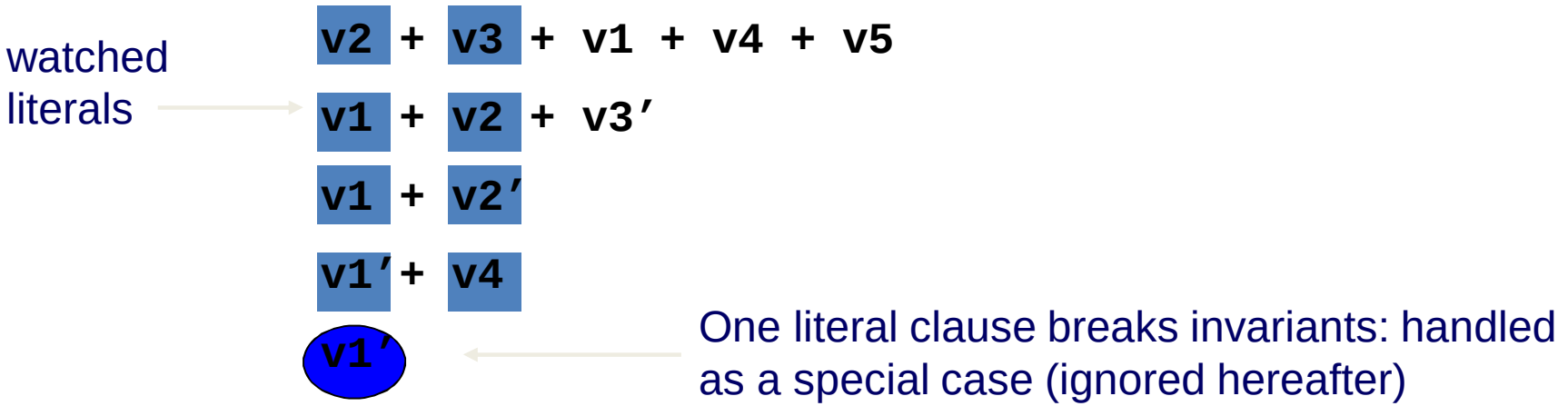

- Initially, we identify any two literals in each clause as the watched ones
- Clauses of size one are a special case

BCP Algorithm (3/8)

- We begin by processing the assignment v1 = F (which is implied by the size one clause)

State:(v1=F)

Pending:

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v1 + v2 + v3′

v1 + v2′

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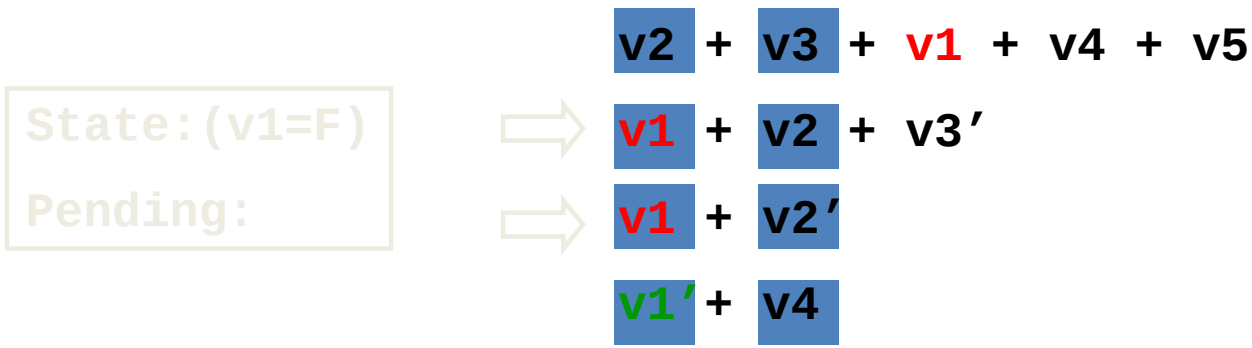

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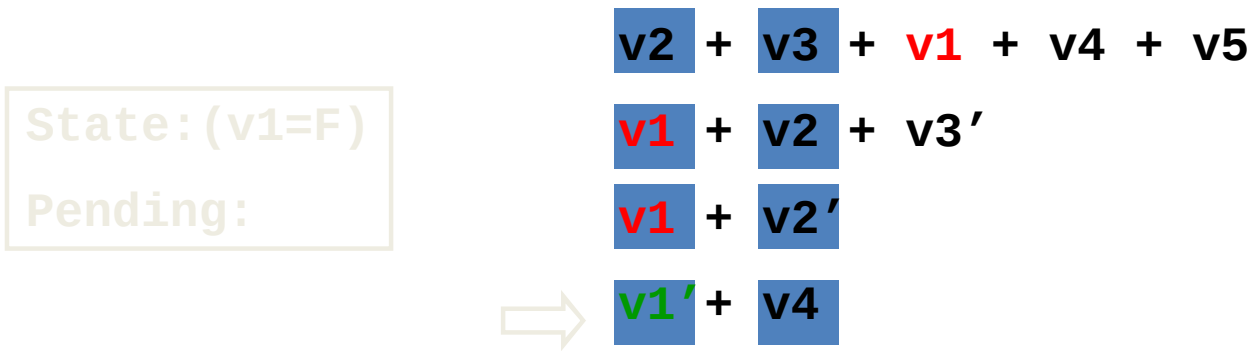

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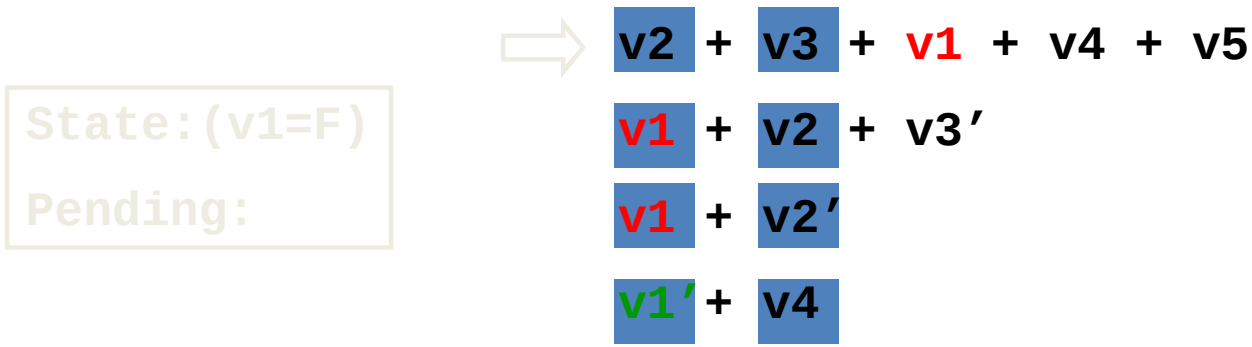

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- We *certainly* need not process any clauses where neither watched literal changes state (in this example, where v1 is not watched).

BCP Algorithm (4/8)

- Now let's actually process the second and third clauses:

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v2 + v3 + v1 + v4 + v5
v1 + v2 + v3'
v1 + v2'
v1'+ v4
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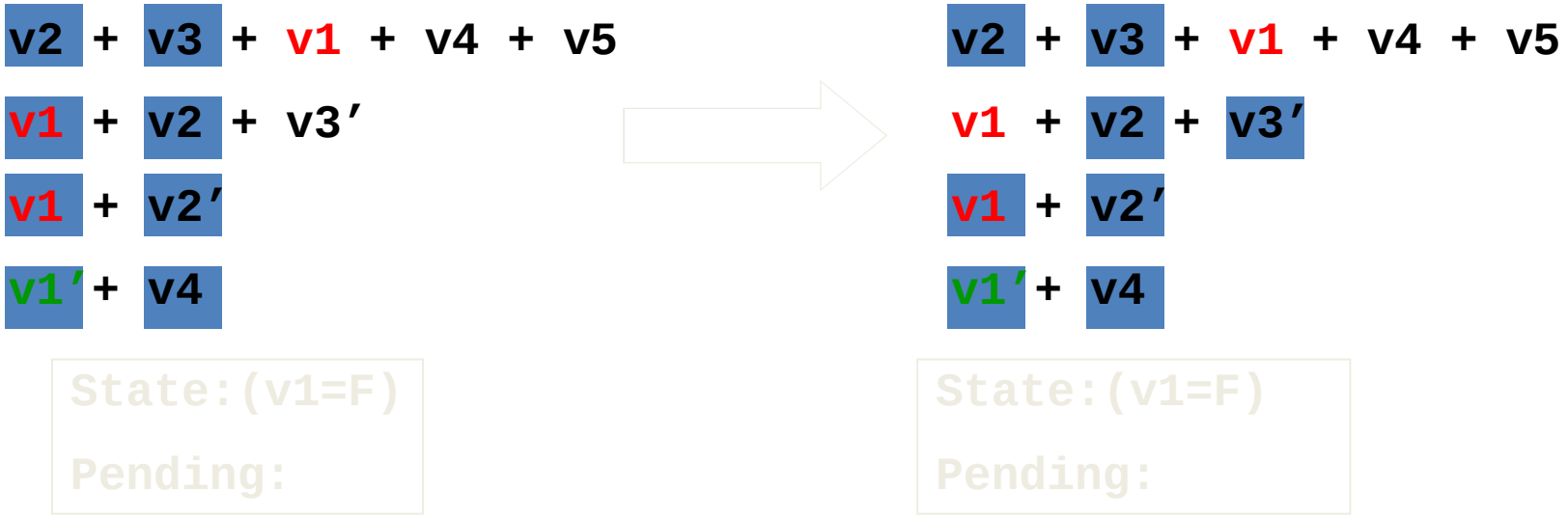

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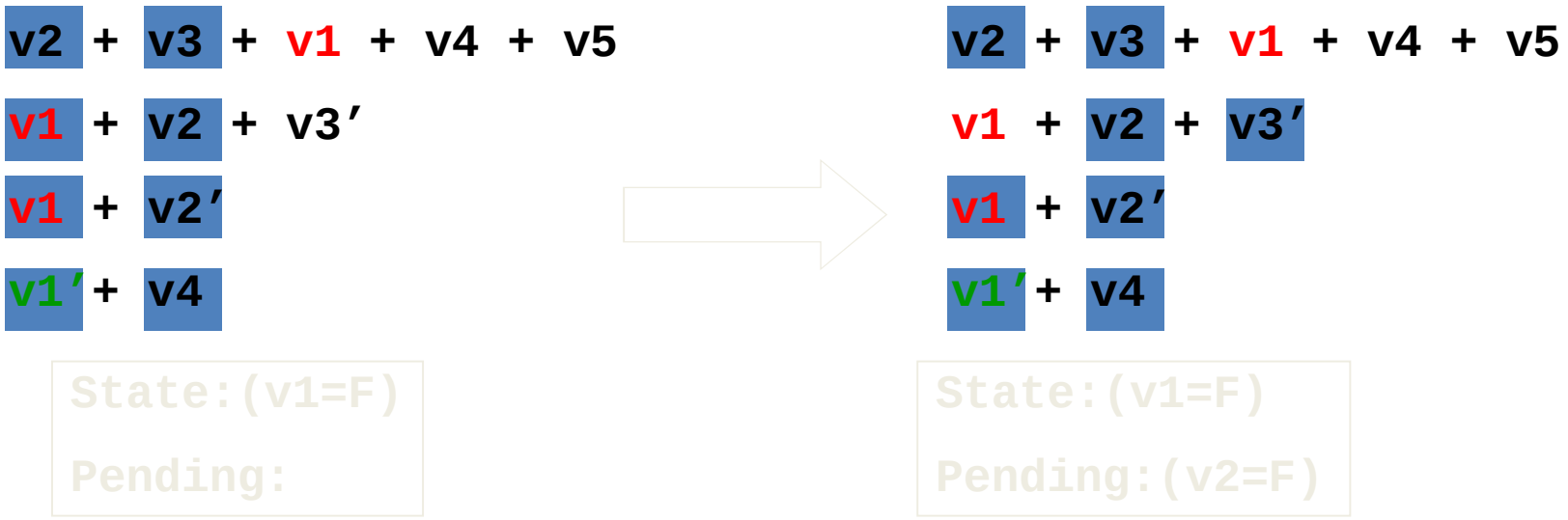

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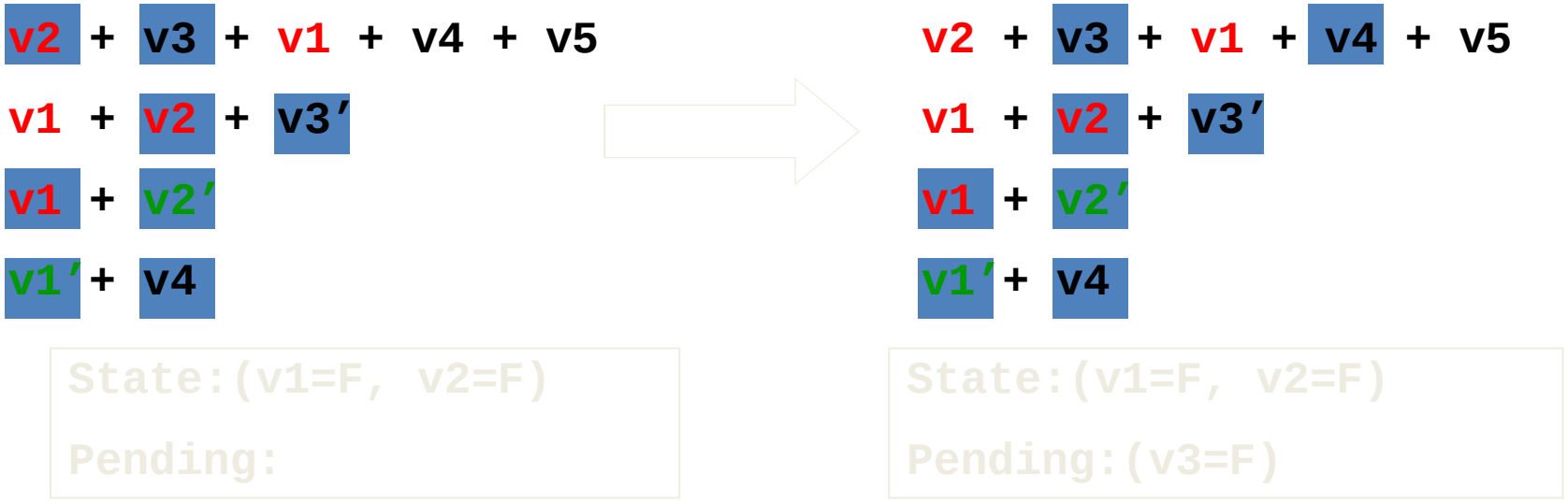
- The third clause is unit. We record the new implication of v2', and add it to the queue of assignments to process. Since the clause cannot again become unit, our invariants are maintained.

BCP Algorithm (5/8)

- Next, we process v2'. We only examine the first 2 clauses.



- For the first clause, we replace v2 with v4 as a new watched literal. Since v4 is not assigned to F, this maintains our invariants.
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BCP Algorithm (6/8)

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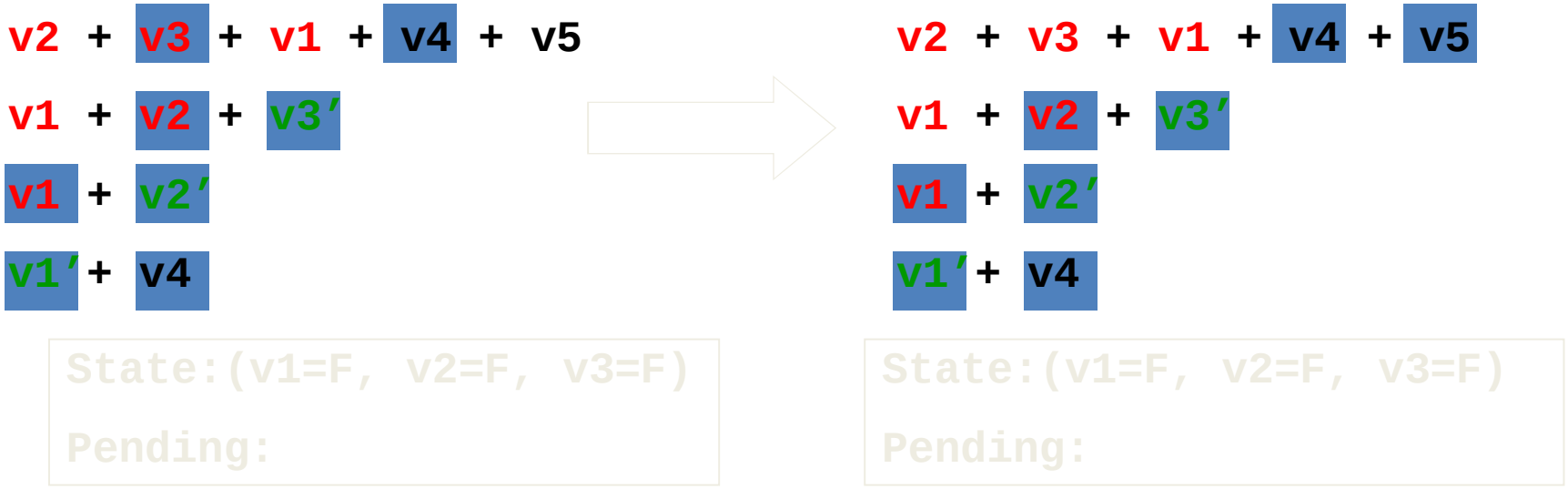
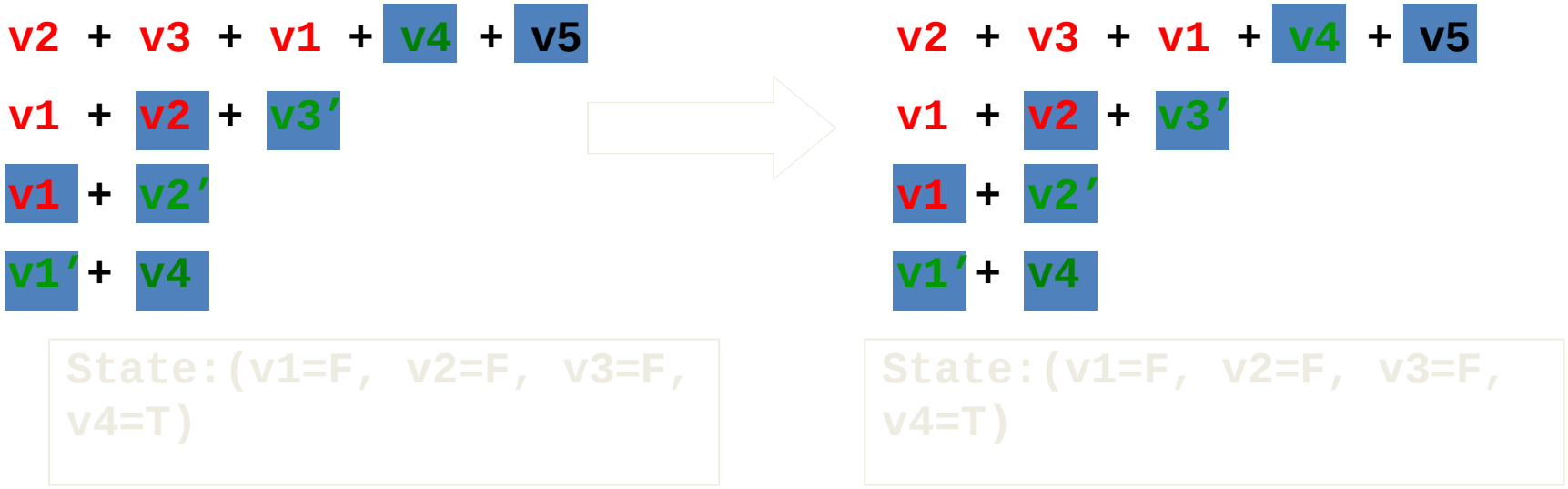


- For the first clause, we replace v3 with v5 as a new watched literal. Since v5 is not assigned to F, this maintains our invariants.
- Since there are no pending assignments, and no conflict, BCP terminates and we make a decision. Both v4 and v5 are unassigned. Let's say we decide to assign v4=T and proceed.

BCP Algorithm (7/8)

- Next, we process v4. We do nothing at all.



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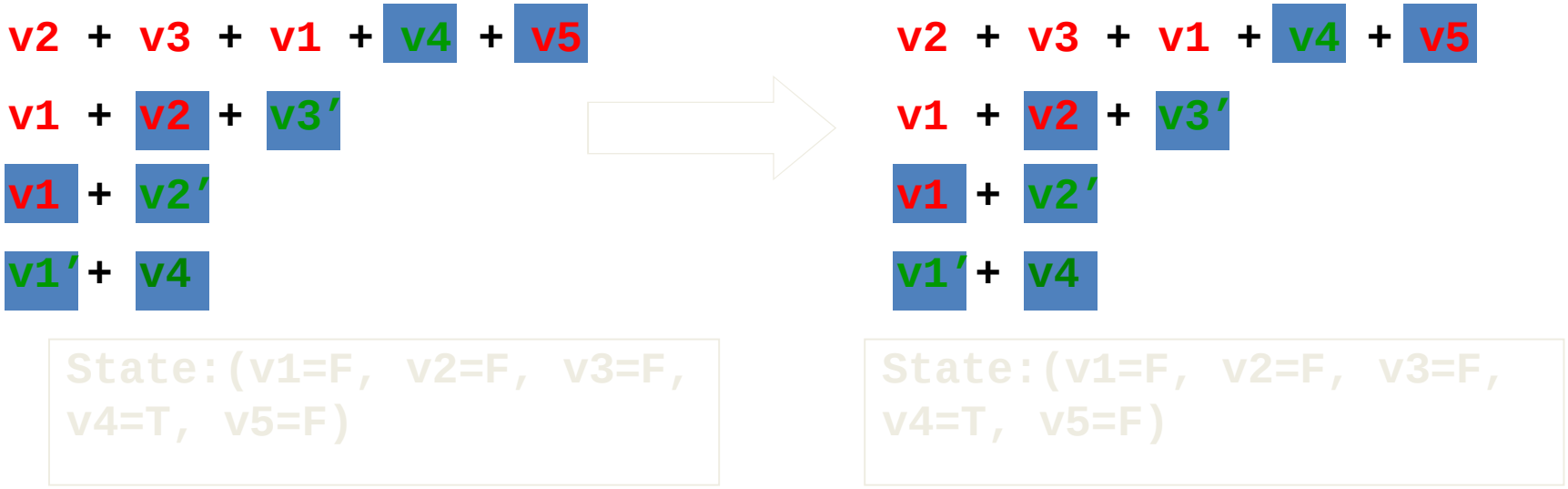
BCP Algorithm (8/8)

- Next, we process v5=F. We examine the first clause.



- The first clause is already satisfied by v4 so we ignore it.
- Since there are no pending assignments, and no conflict, BCP terminates and we make a decision. No variables are unassigned, so the instance is SAT, and we are done.