

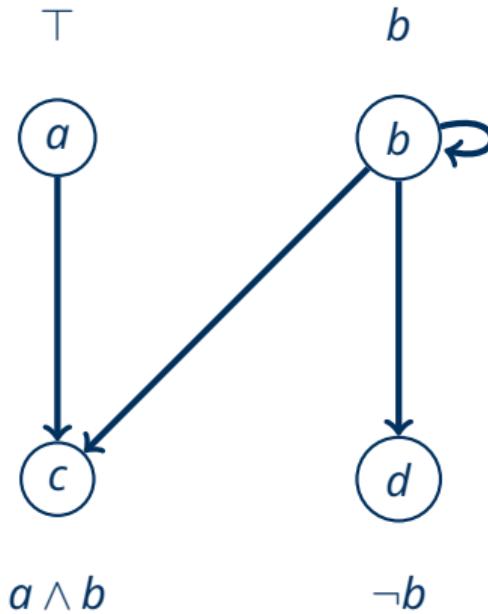
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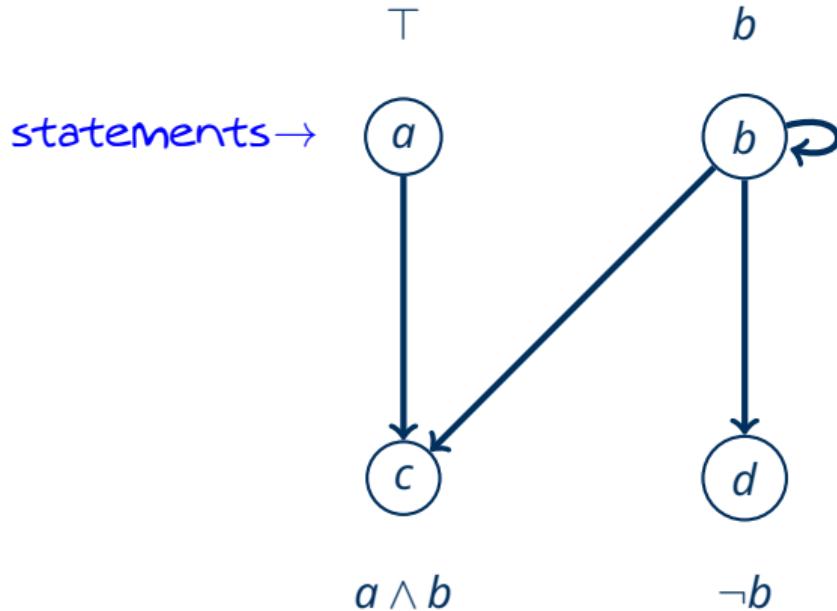
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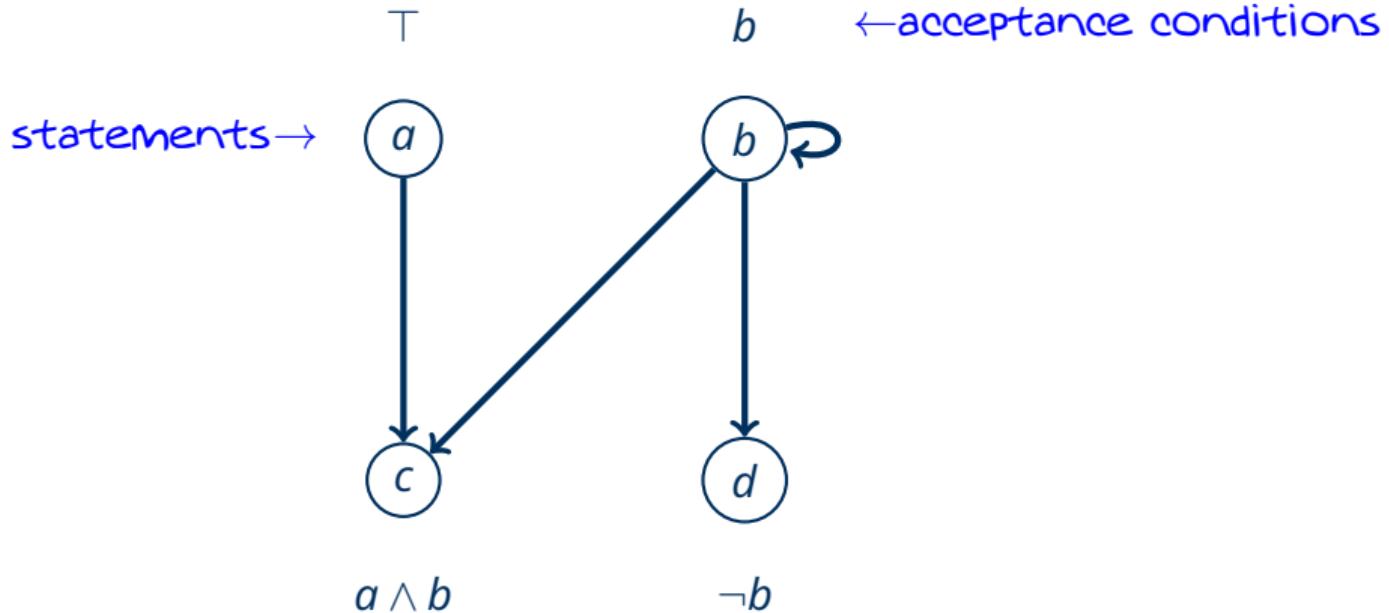
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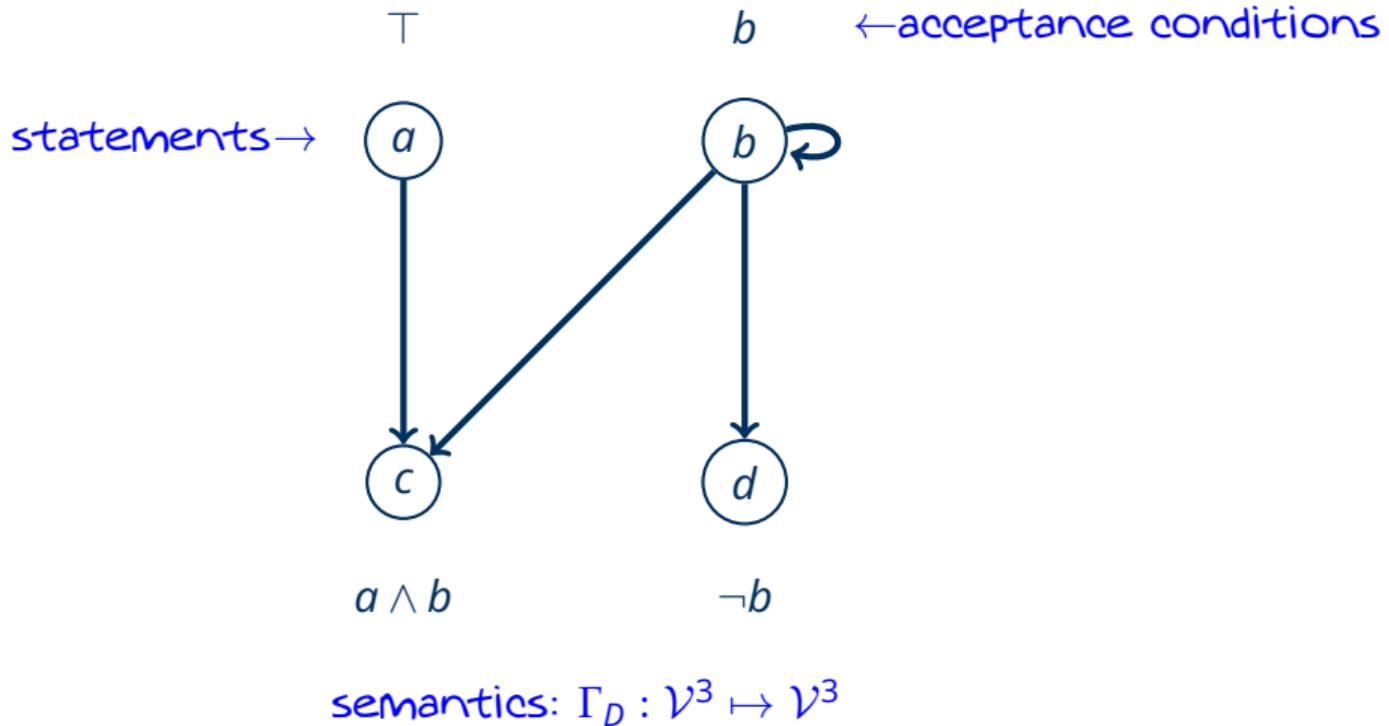
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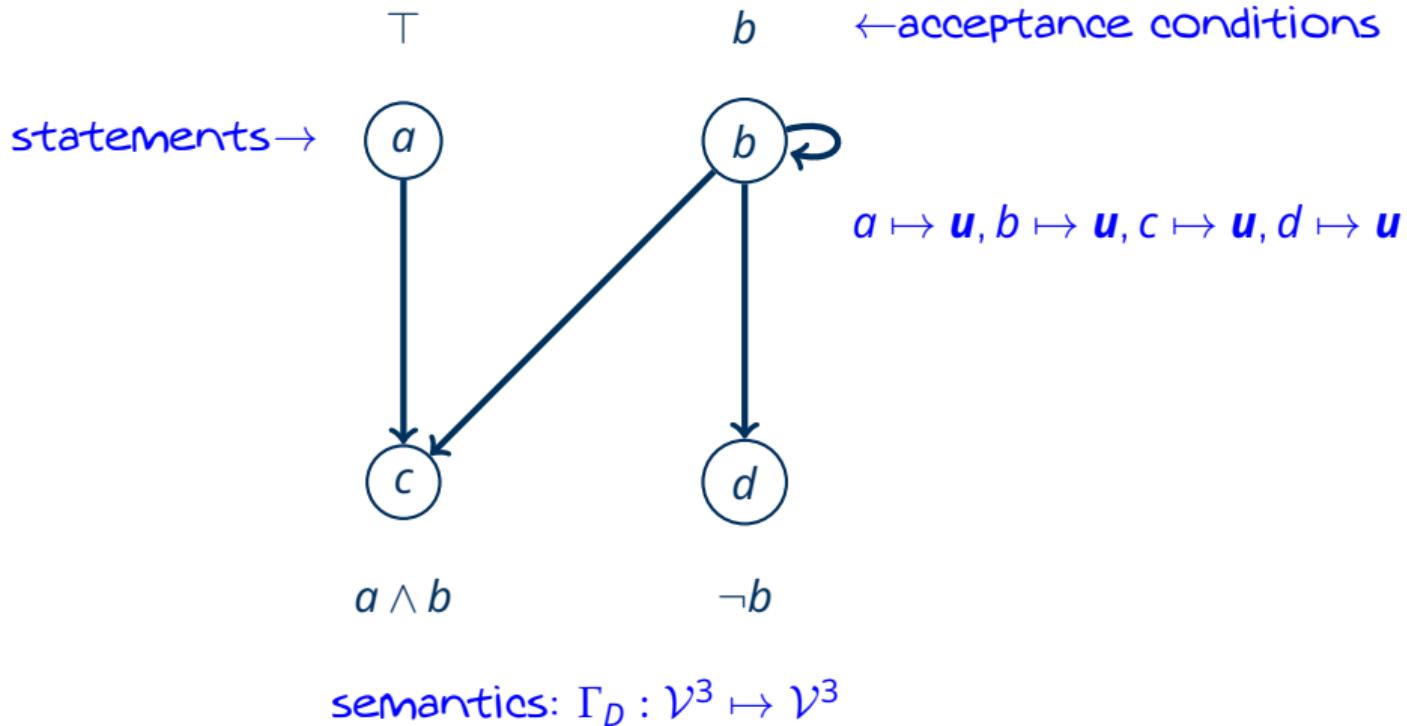
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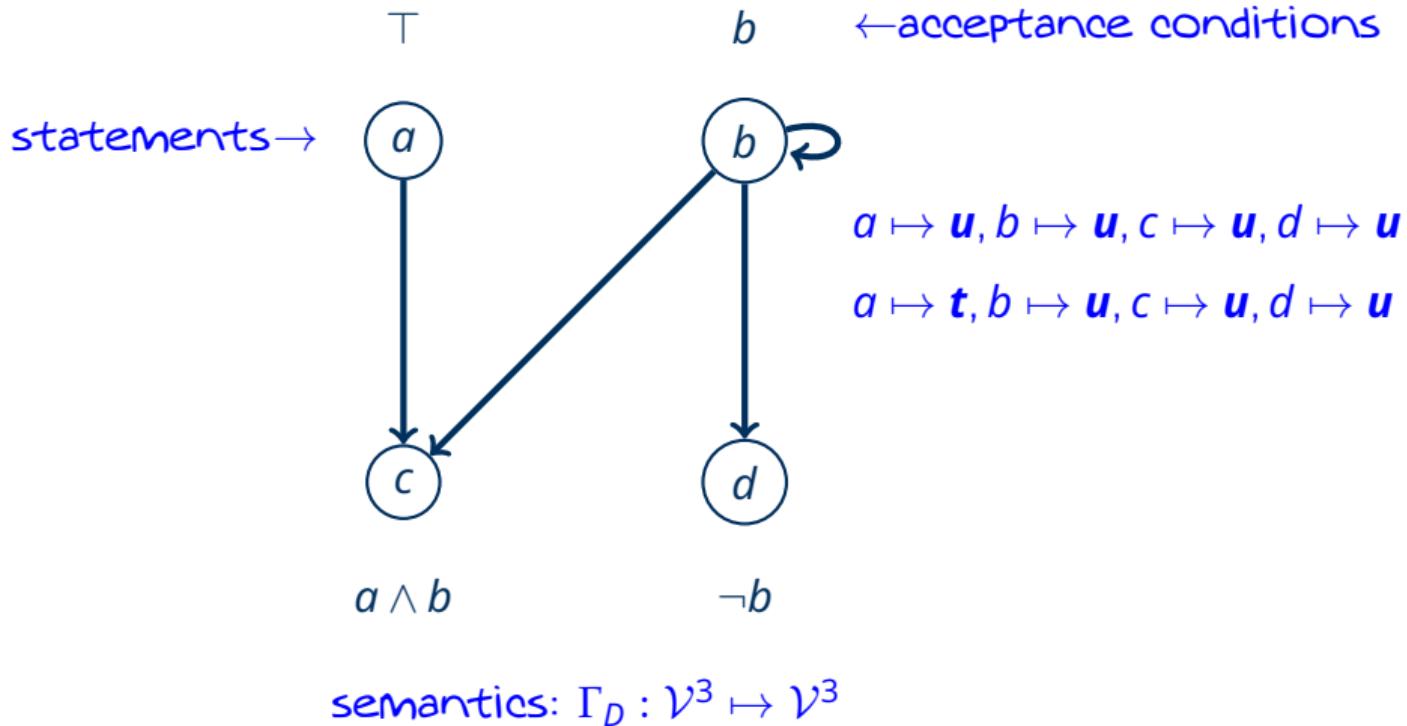
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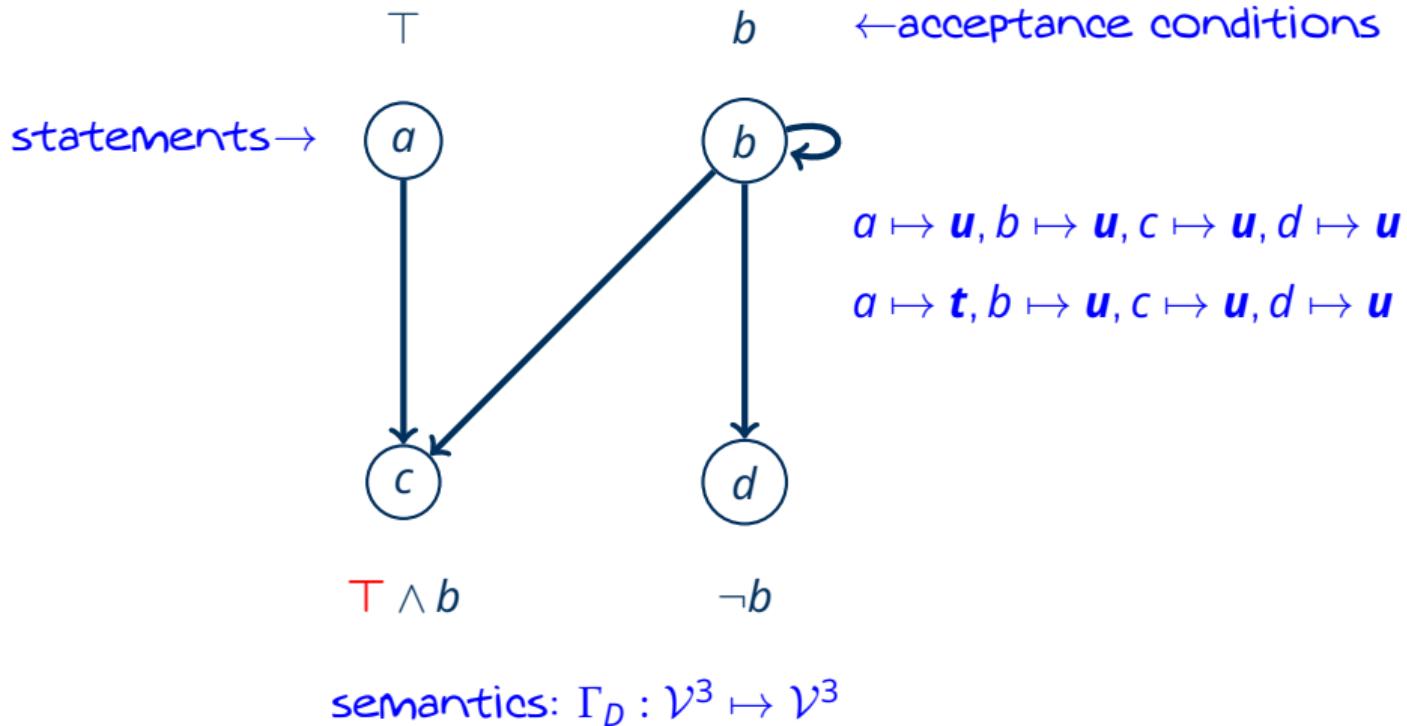
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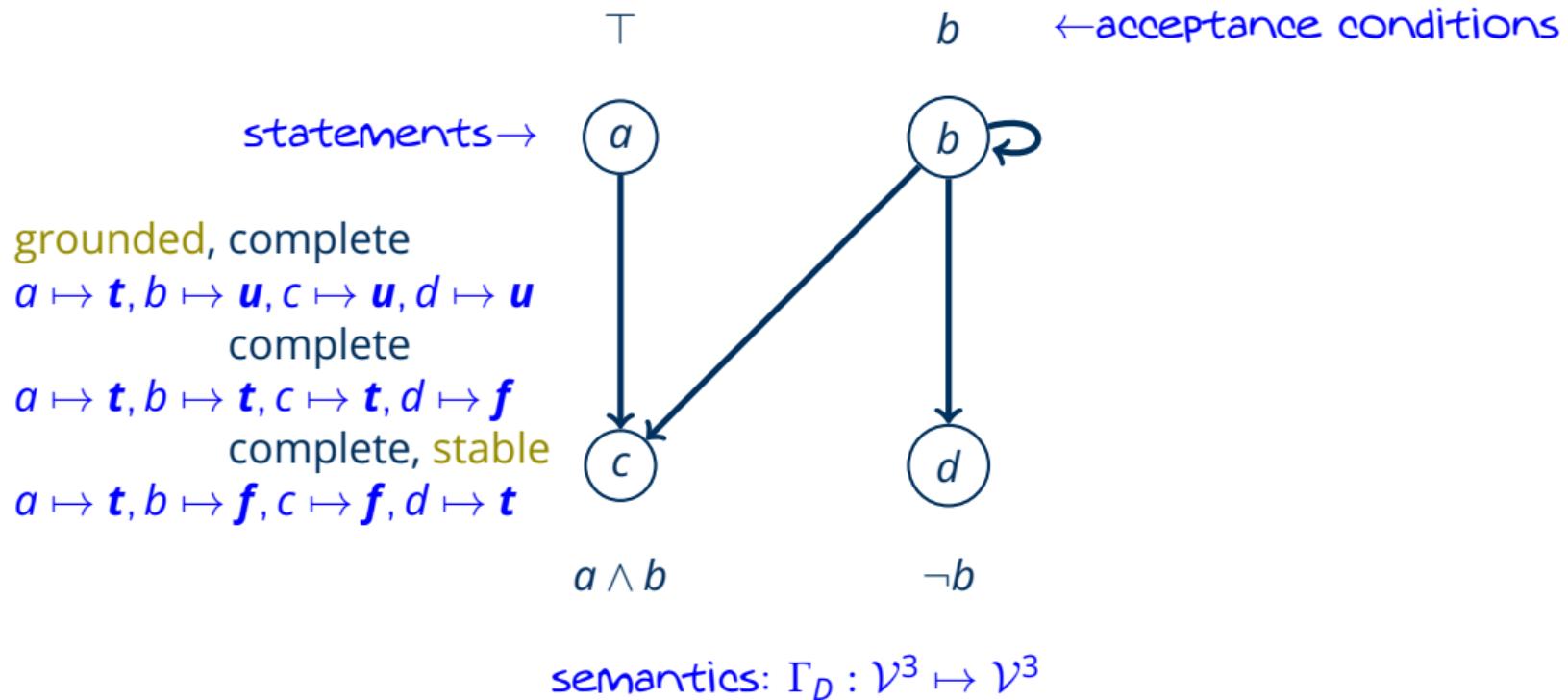
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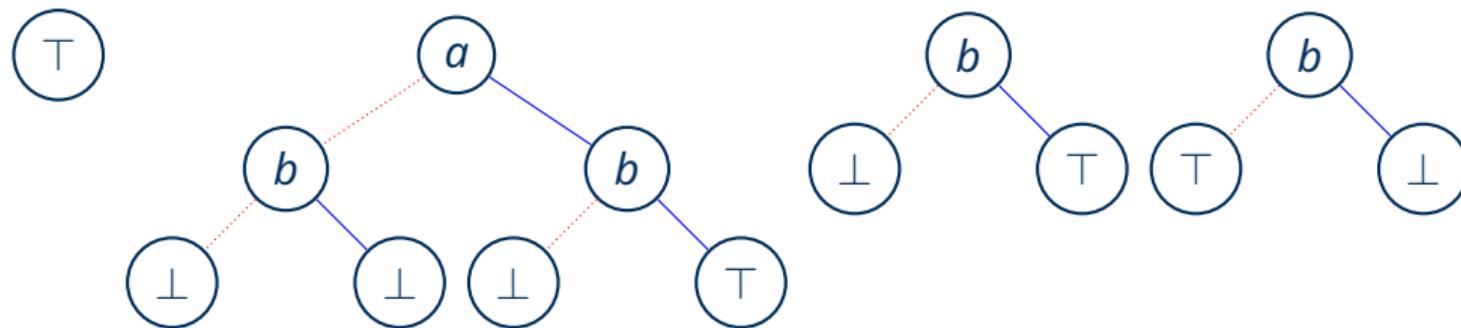


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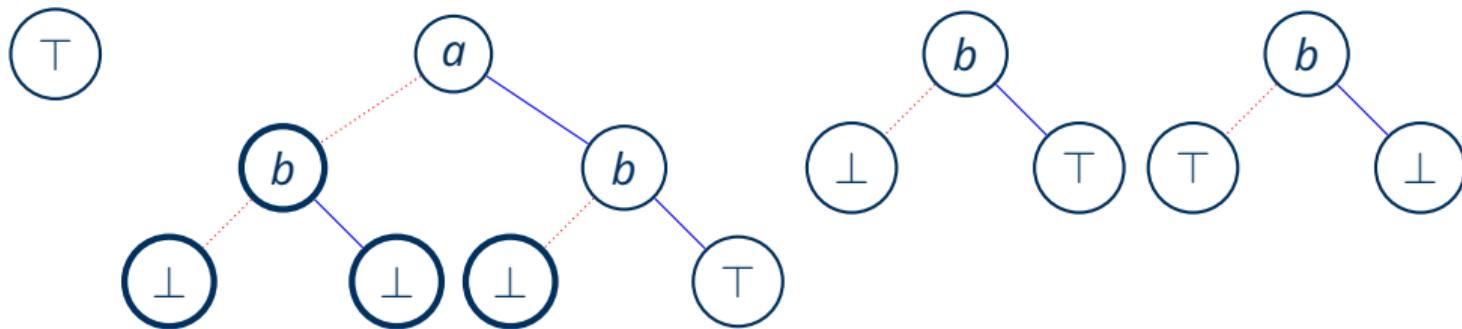
- Tree: inner nodes are variables and leafs are truth constants  $\top$  and  $\perp$
- Inner node has **lo** and **hi** child
- Every path from root to leaf needs to follow pre-defined strict ordering of variables



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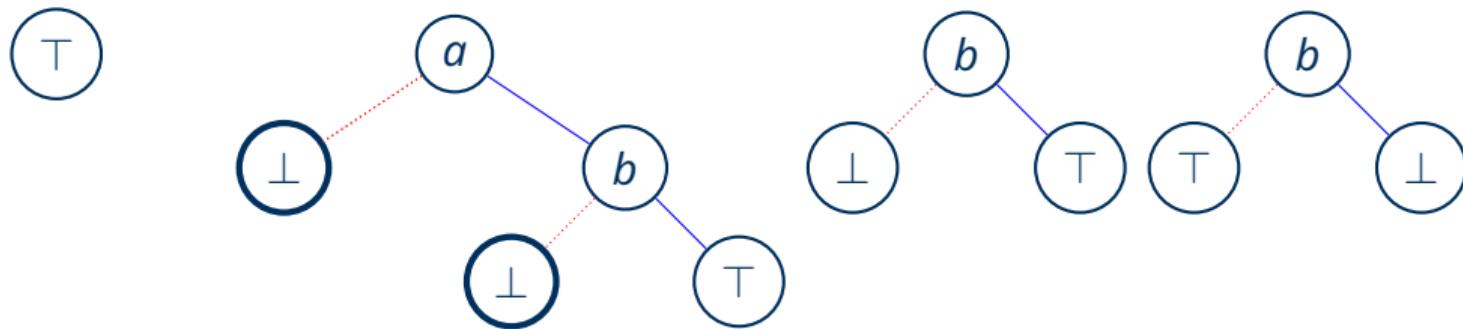
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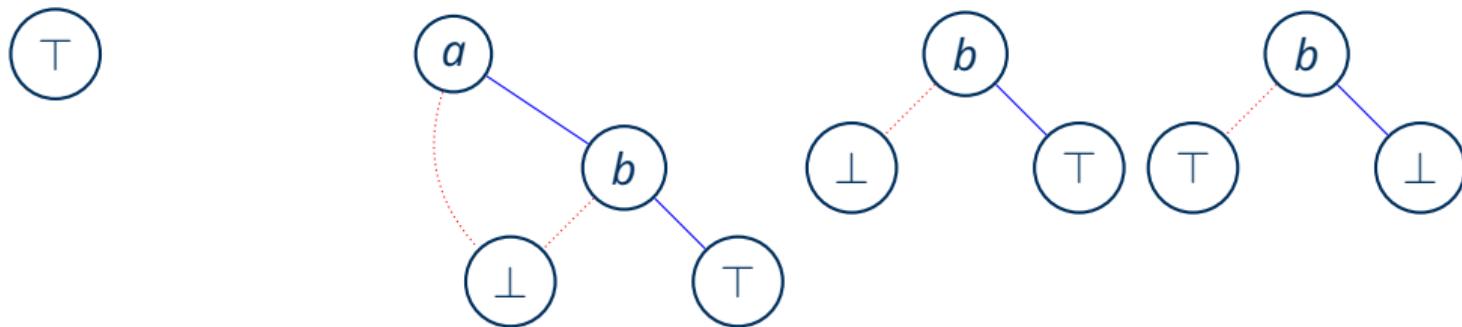
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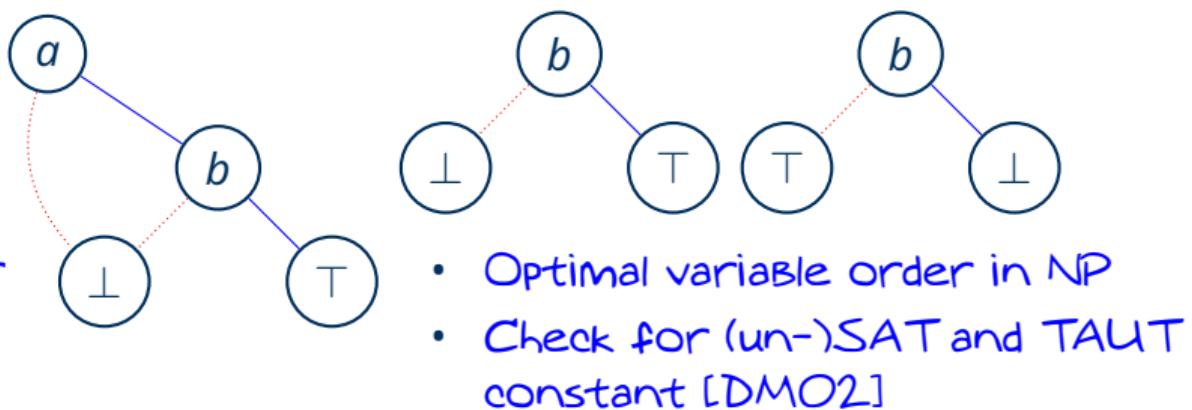


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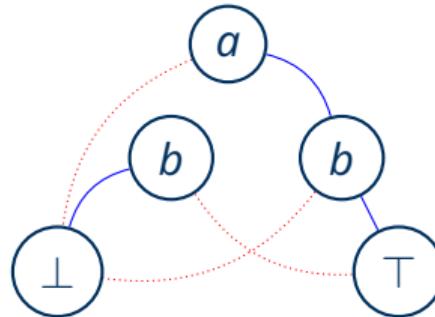


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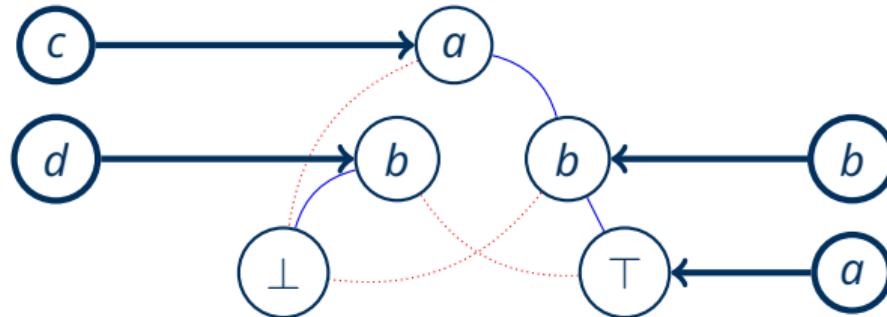
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## Theorem

*Given the BDD representation of an ADF  $D$ , the result of applying  $\Gamma_D$  to any three-valued interpretation  $\mathcal{I}$  can be computed in polynomial time.*

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*Given an ADF  $D$  in BDD representation, there is a polynomial algorithm that computes the grounded interpretation of  $D$ .*

## Corollary

*Verifying whether a three-valued interpretation is a model or is stable in an ADF represented by BDDs is in P. Moreover credulous reasoning is in NP and sceptical reasoning in coNP.*

# ADF-BDD solver [EGRW22a]

- Written in Rust
- BDDs
  - own implementation
  - biodivine-bdd for faster instantiation
- Various BDD-modes (own, biodivine, hybrid)
- Grounded, complete, and stable semantics
- Github, Library, and Binary available
  - hub: <https://github.com/ellmau/adf-obdd>
  - lib: <https://crates.io/crates/adf-bdd>
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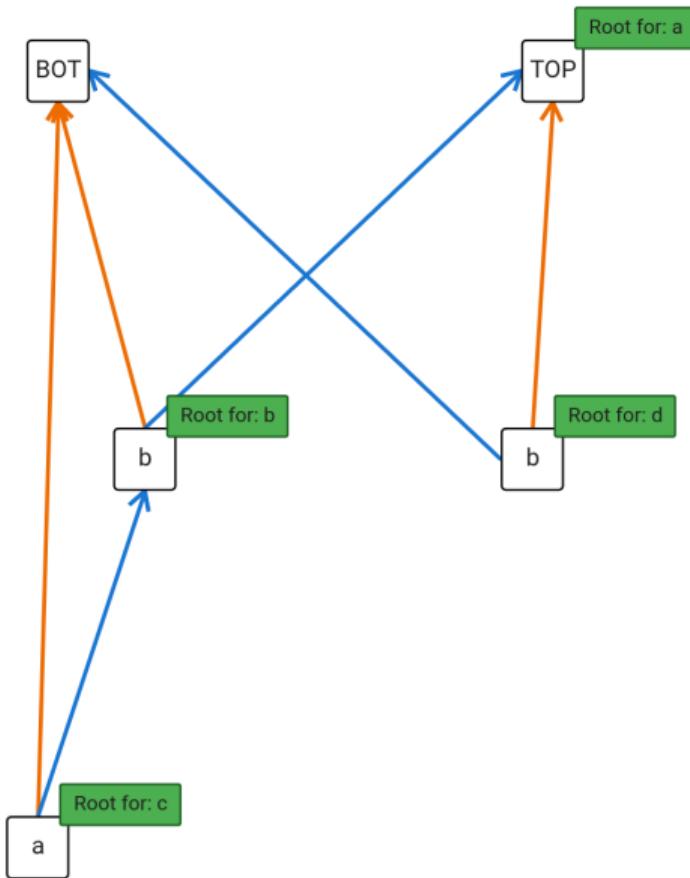
- Web-application for adf-bdd
- Visualisation of results as BDDs
  - Parsed state
  - Every semantics model
- G6 graph visualisation library used [WBL<sup>+</sup>21]
  - Dagre algorithm for graph representation
  - Ranks nodes into hierarchy
  - Minimises number of crossing edges
- Colour-coded BDD
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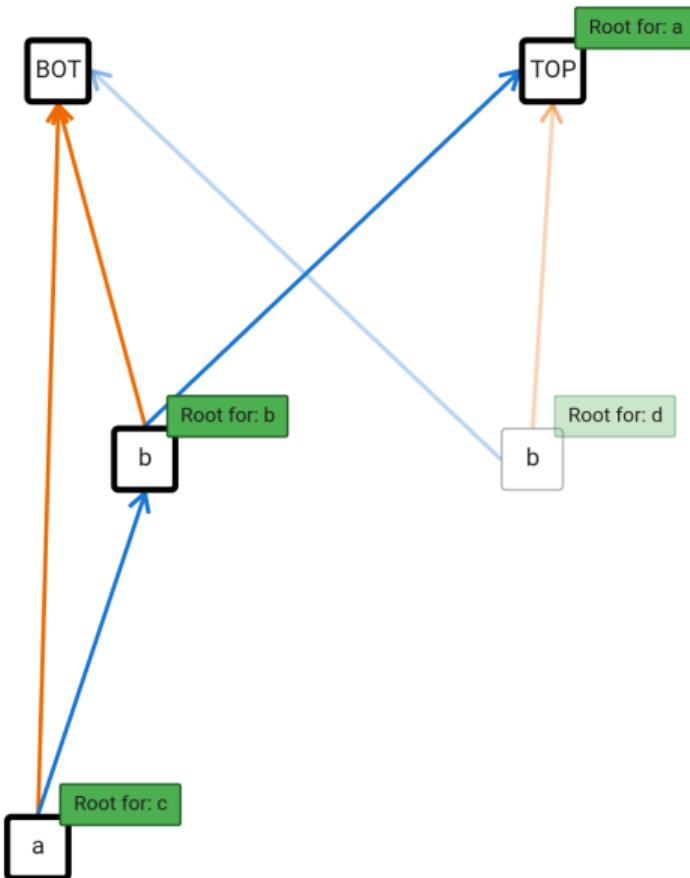
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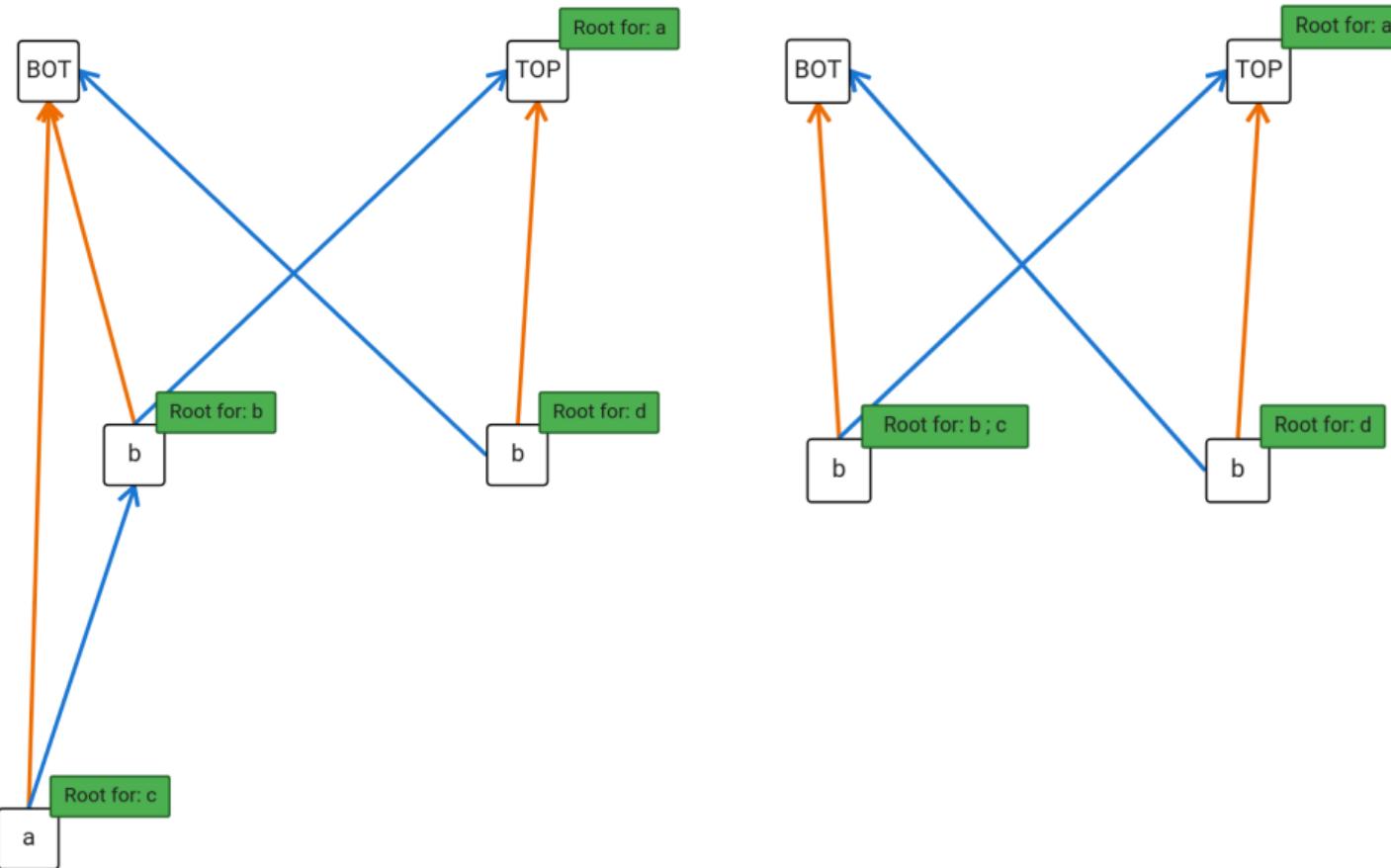
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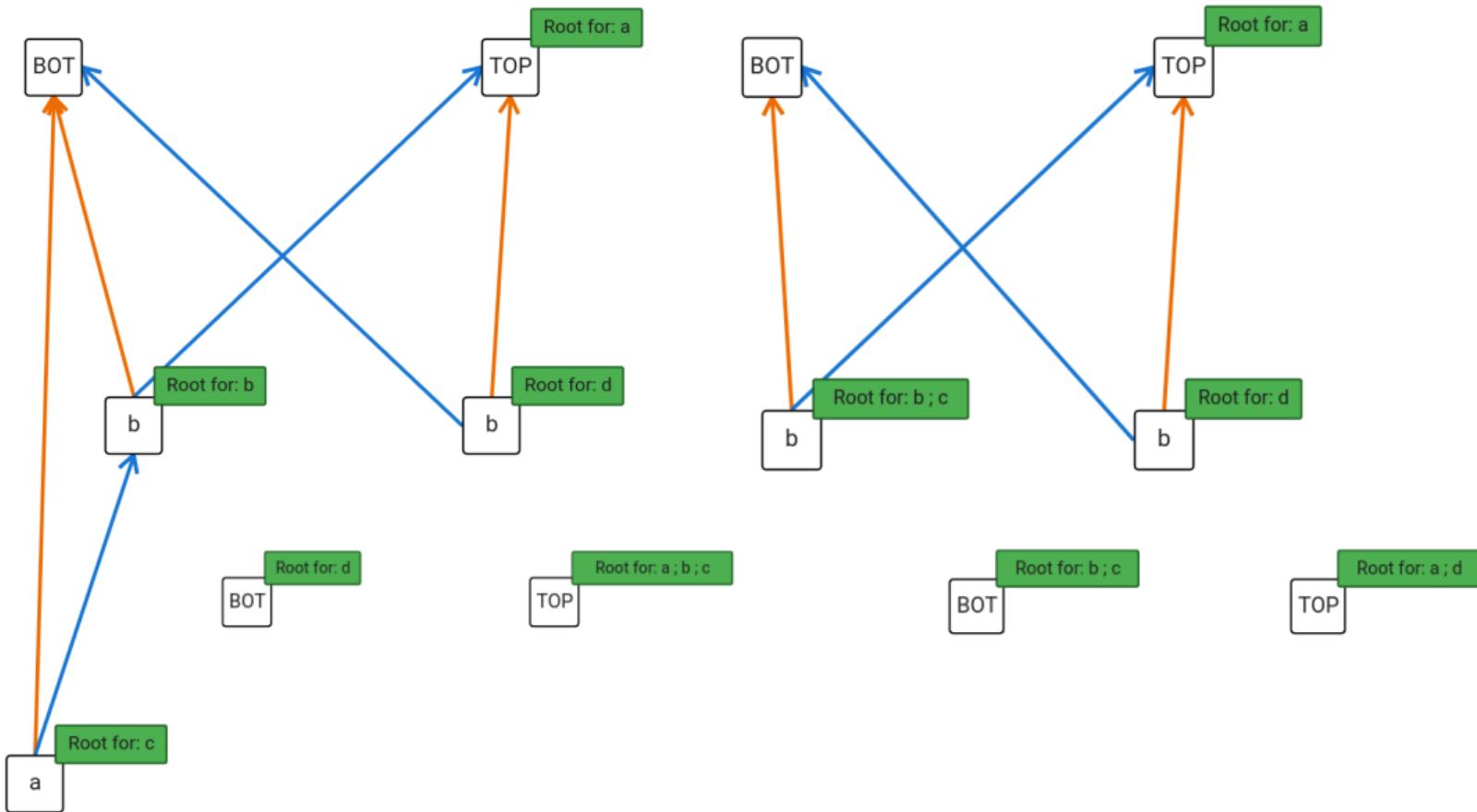
- ***t*** and ***f*** already decided by fixpoints
- Reason for each ***u*** is given by corresponding BDD
- Focus onto sub-diagrams
- No redundant links, only variables that have an impact

Online presentation of ADF-BDD.dev or further slides









# Future Work

- Direct editing of BDDs
  - ADF-Design
  - Enforcement
- Import and export of BDDs
- More assistance for non-familiar users
- More analysis options for experienced users

# Thank you for your interest!

Visit ADF-BDD at

<https://adf-bdd.dev>

<https://ellmau.github.io/adf-obdd/>



# Abstract Dialectical Frameworks

## Definition (Abstract Dialectical Framework (ADF))

An ADF is a tuple  $\langle S, C \rangle$ , where

- $S$  is a fixed finite set of statements and
- $C := \{\varphi_s\}_{s \in S}$  is a set acceptance conditions for statements, which corresponds to propositional formulae whose variable signature is  $S$ .

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## Definition ( $\Gamma_D$ )

Let  $D = \langle S, C \rangle$  be an ADF,  $\mathcal{I} : S \mapsto \{\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{u}\}$  be a three-valued interpretation, and  $\Gamma_D(\mathcal{I}) : S \mapsto \{\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{u}\}$  with

$$s = \begin{cases} \mathbf{t} & \text{if } \models \varphi_s(\mathcal{I}); \\ \mathbf{f} & \text{if } \varphi_s(\mathcal{I}) \models \perp; \\ \mathbf{u} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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