

Threshold Synthesis Problem

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Threshold Synthesis Problem: given a Boolean function (in DNF), is it a threshold function?

Example

$2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \geq 2$ represents the function $x_1 \vee (x_2 \wedge x_3)$.

Algorithm

Given

$$\phi \equiv (x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_3) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_4) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_5) \vee \\ (x_2 \wedge x_3) \vee (x_2 \wedge x_4) \vee (x_3 \wedge x_4 \wedge x_5).$$

ϕ	$(x_2 \wedge x_3) \vee$ $(x_2 \wedge x_4) \vee$	$x_3 \wedge x_4 \wedge x_5$	<i>false</i> $x_4 \wedge x_5$	<i>false</i> <i>false</i> x_5	<i>false</i> <i>false</i> <i>false</i> <i>true</i>
		$x_3 \vee x_4$	x_4 <i>true</i>	<i>false</i> <i>true</i> <i>true</i>	
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					<i>true</i>
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Algorithm (Cont.)

$4x_1 + 3x_2 +$ $2x_3 + 2x_4 +$ $x_5 \geq \dots$	$3x_2 +$ $2x_3 + 2x_4 +$ $x_5 \geq \dots$	$2x_3 + 2x_4 +$ $x_5 \geq \dots$	$2x_4 +$ $x_5 \geq \dots$	$x_5 \geq \dots$	$\sum_{i=6}^5 a_i x_i$ $\geq \dots$	
(4, 5]	(4, 5]	(4, 5]	$(3, \infty]$	$(1, \infty]$	$(0, \infty]$	
			$(2, 3]$	$(1, \infty]$	$(0, \infty]$	
	(1, 2]	(1, 2]	$(1, 2]$	$(1, \infty]$	$(0, \infty]$	
			$(-\infty, 0]$	$(-\infty, 0]$	$(-\infty, 0]$	
	(0, 1]	(0, 1]	$(-\infty, 0]$	$(0, 1]$	$(0, 1]$	$(0, \infty]$
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Questions?

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- ▶ Has the project Boole worked on related problems, such as recognition of **regular** or **shellable** functions?
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