



General Diagnostic Engine: GDE

Consistency based diagnosis

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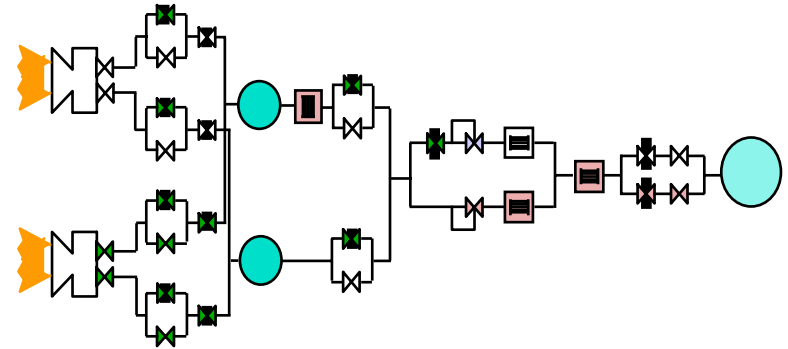
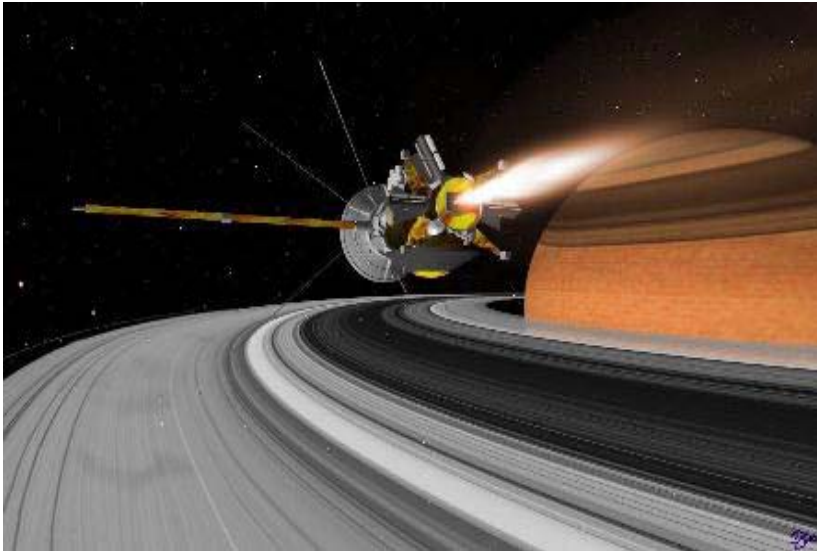




Consistency Based Diagnosis

- Main Model Based Diagnosis framework from DX community
- Component oriented
 - May be extended to processes
- Knowledge: structure + behavioural (local) models of components
- Only models of correct behaviour

Basic Assumptions (de Kleer 03)



- Physical system
 - Set of interconnected components
 - Known desired function
 - Design achieves function
 - System is correct instance of design
- All malfunctions caused by faulty component(s)
- Behavioural information
 - Only indirect evidence

Behavioural information: Behavioural models

- Components are in some physical condition
 - e.g. a wire

Condition 1

Condition 2

Condition 3

- Different physical conditions result in different behaviours

Behaviour 1

v	0	+	-
i	0	+	-

Behaviour 2

v	0	+	-
i	0	0	0

Behaviour 3

v	0	+	+	-	-
i	0	0	+	0	-



Behavioural information: Ruling out behaviours

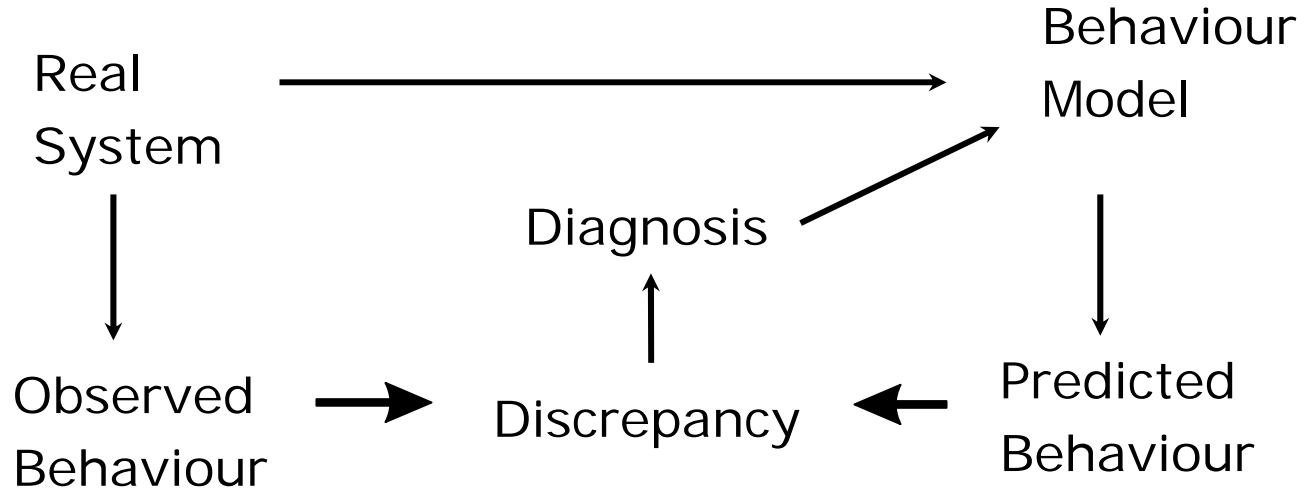
- We cannot verify the presence of behaviours, but we can falsify them
 - After observing

v		0	+	-
i		0	0	0

- We cannot infer *behaviour 2*, but we can **reject *behaviour 1***

Consistency Based Diagnosis Intuition

- Search for the model that is “compliant” with the observations

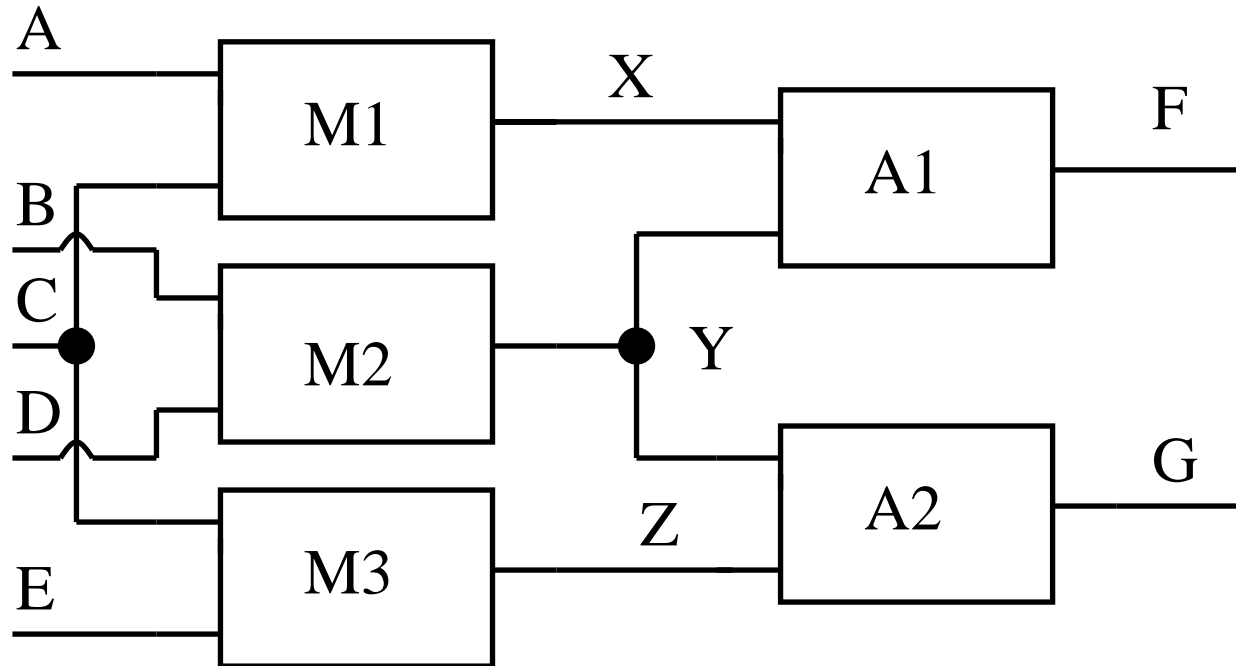




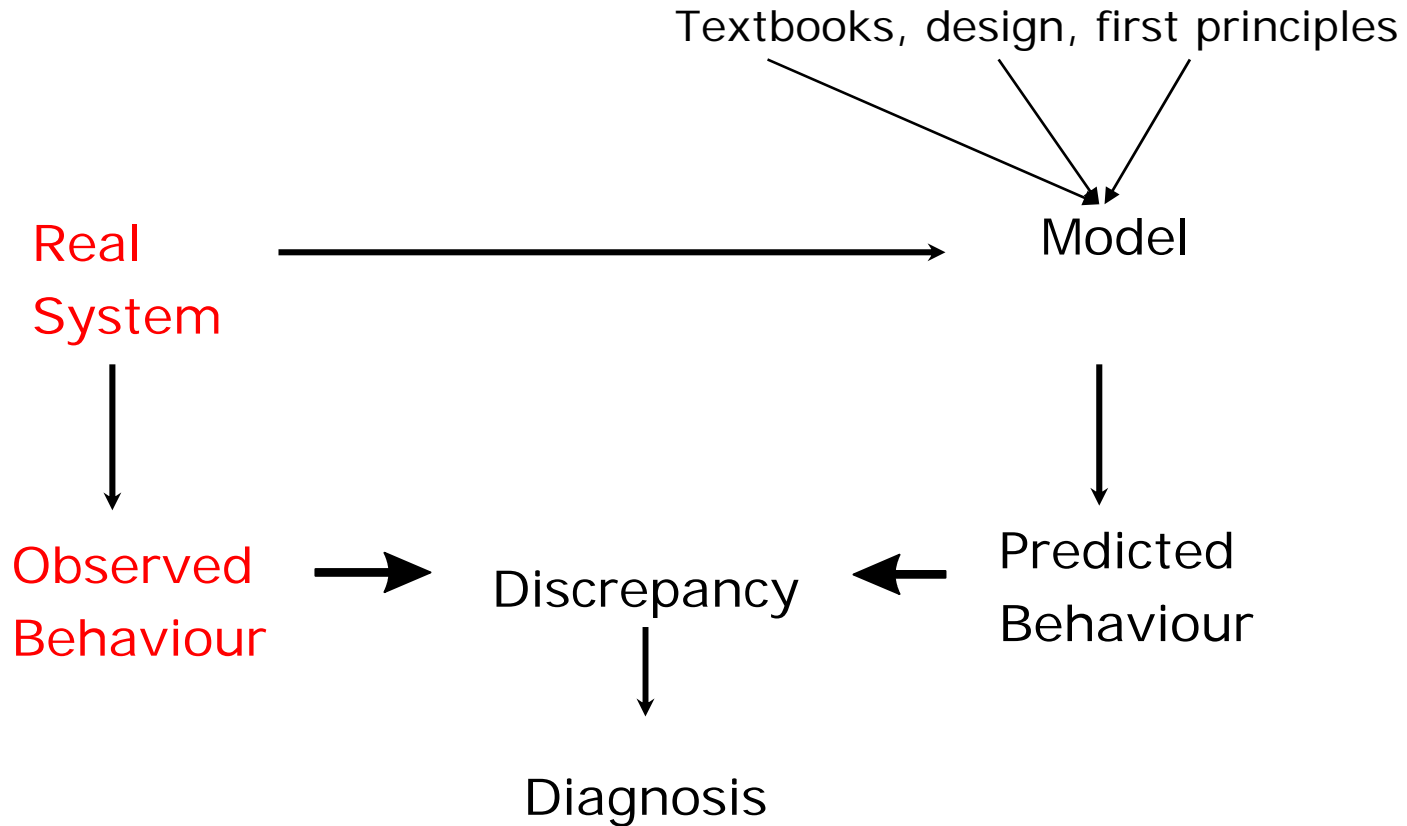
General Diagnostic Engine

- GDE, de Kleer and Williams, 87
- First model based computational system for multiple faults
- Main computational paradigm
 - Still in use!
- Still a reference to compare any model base proposal on DX community

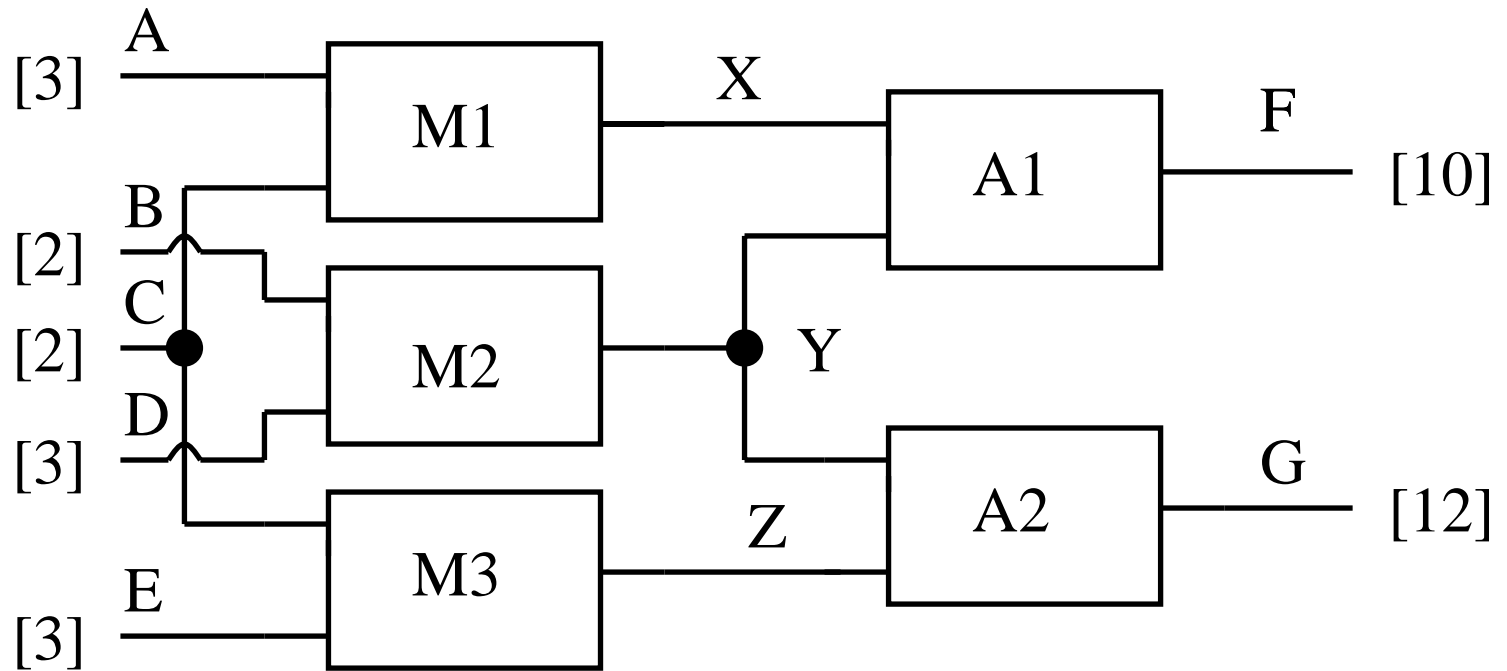
A classic expository example: the polybox (de Kleer 87, 03)



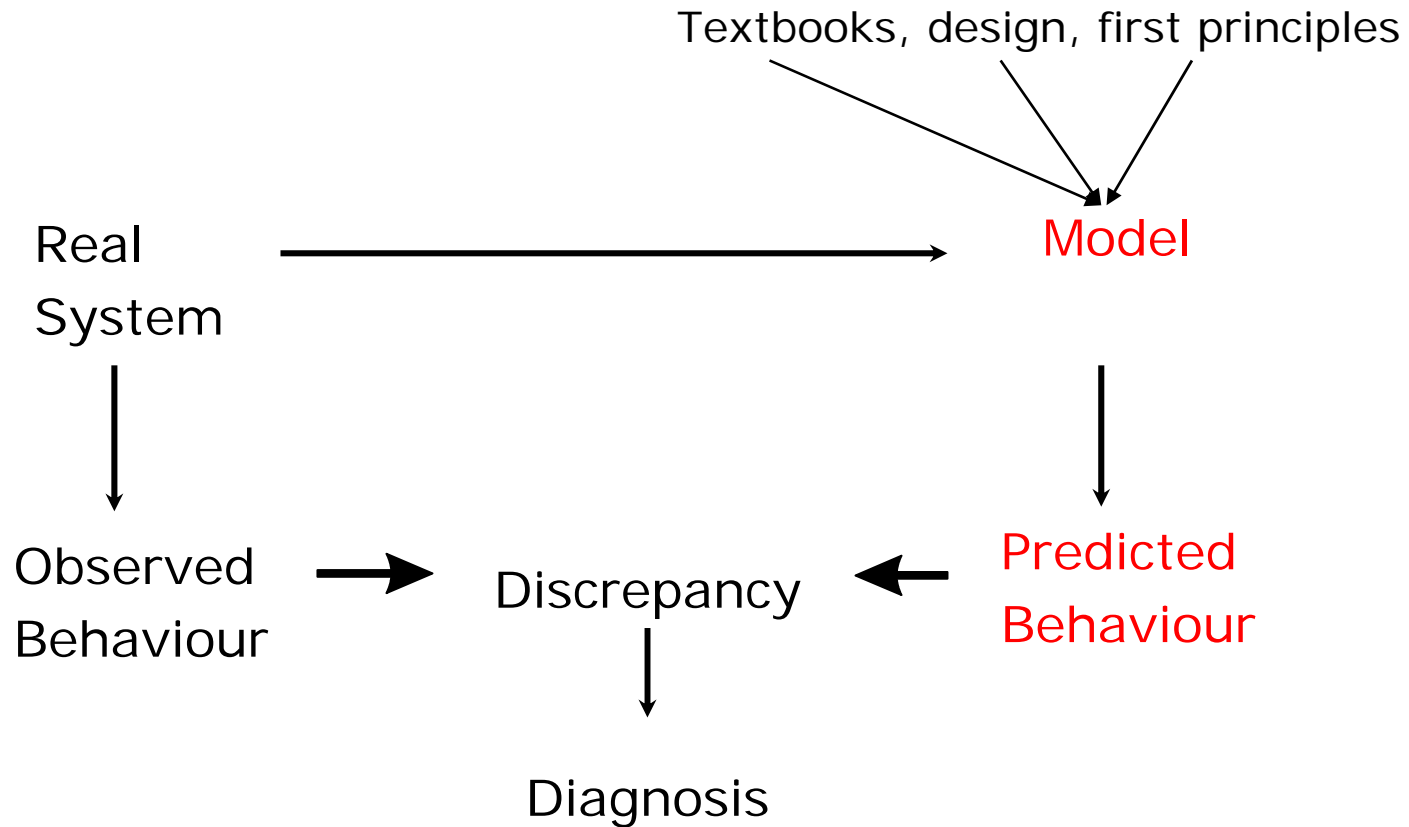
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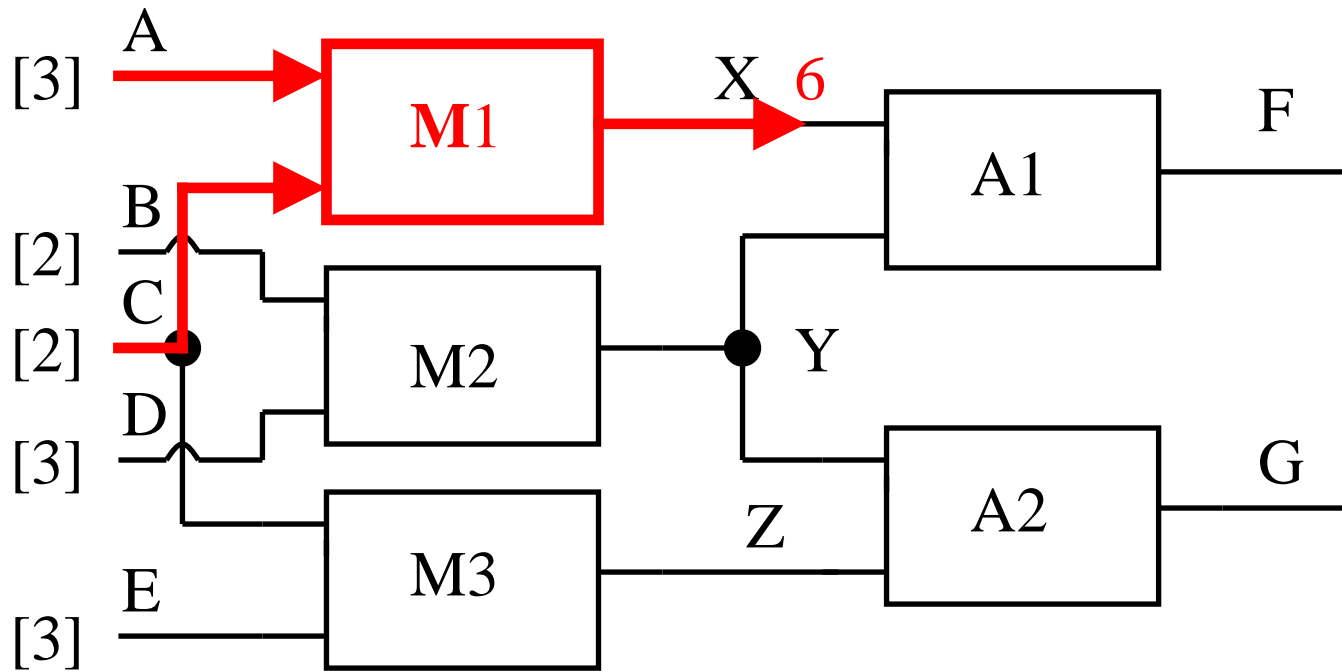
Observed Behaviour



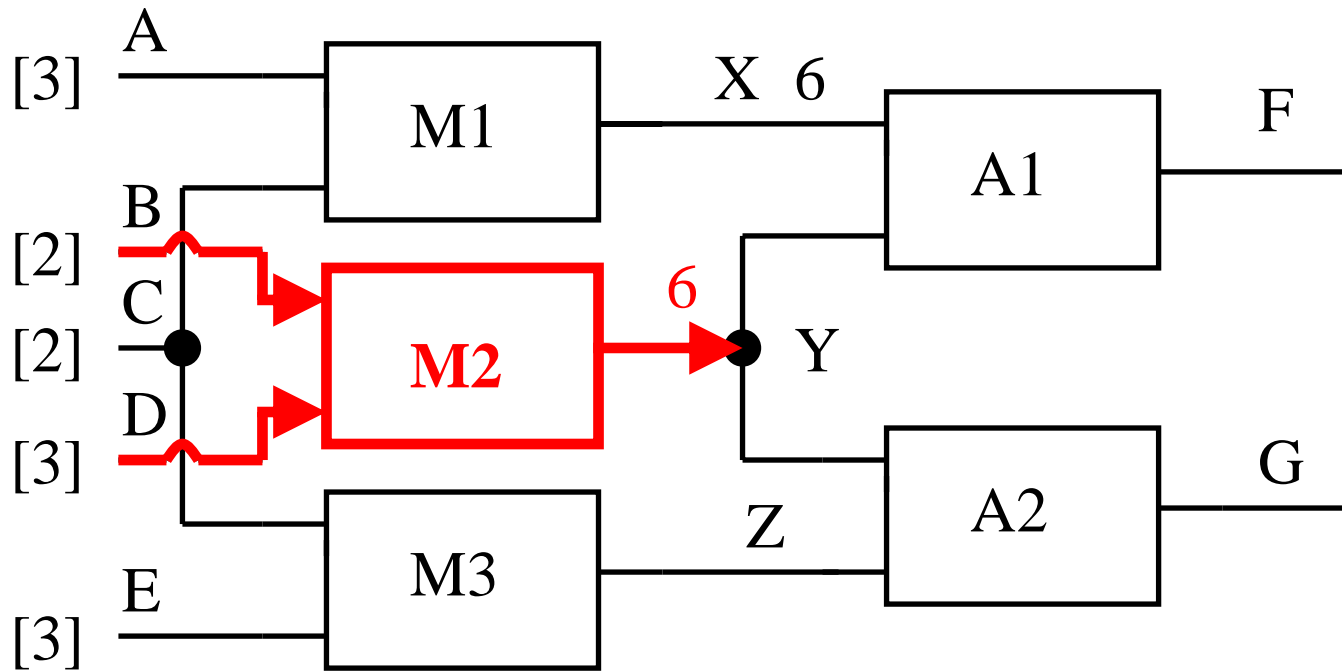
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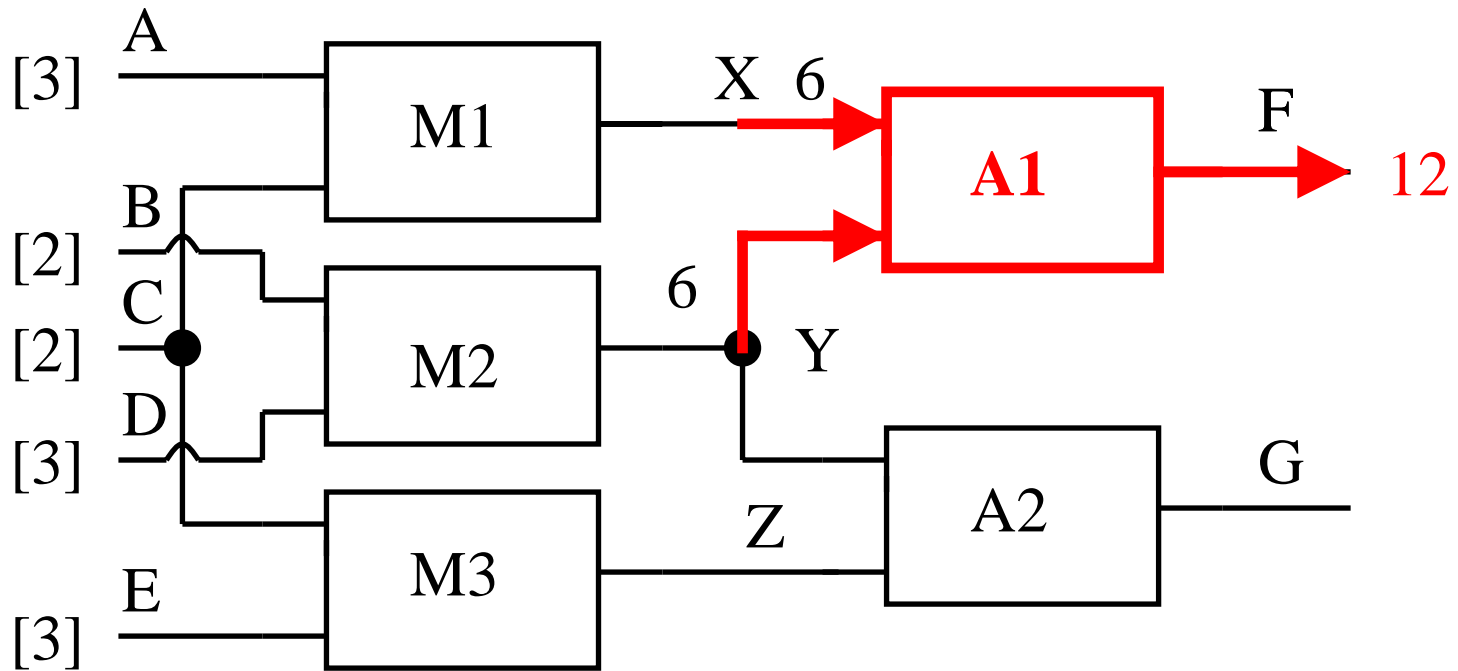
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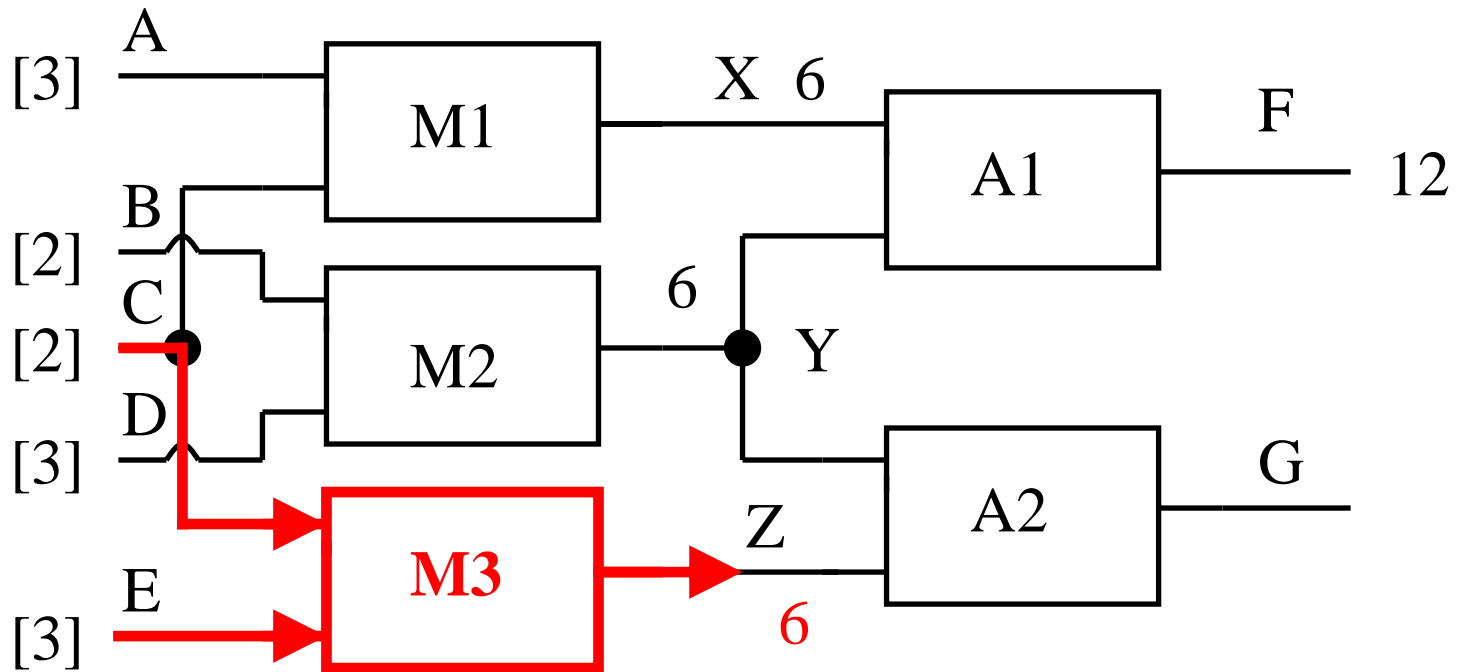
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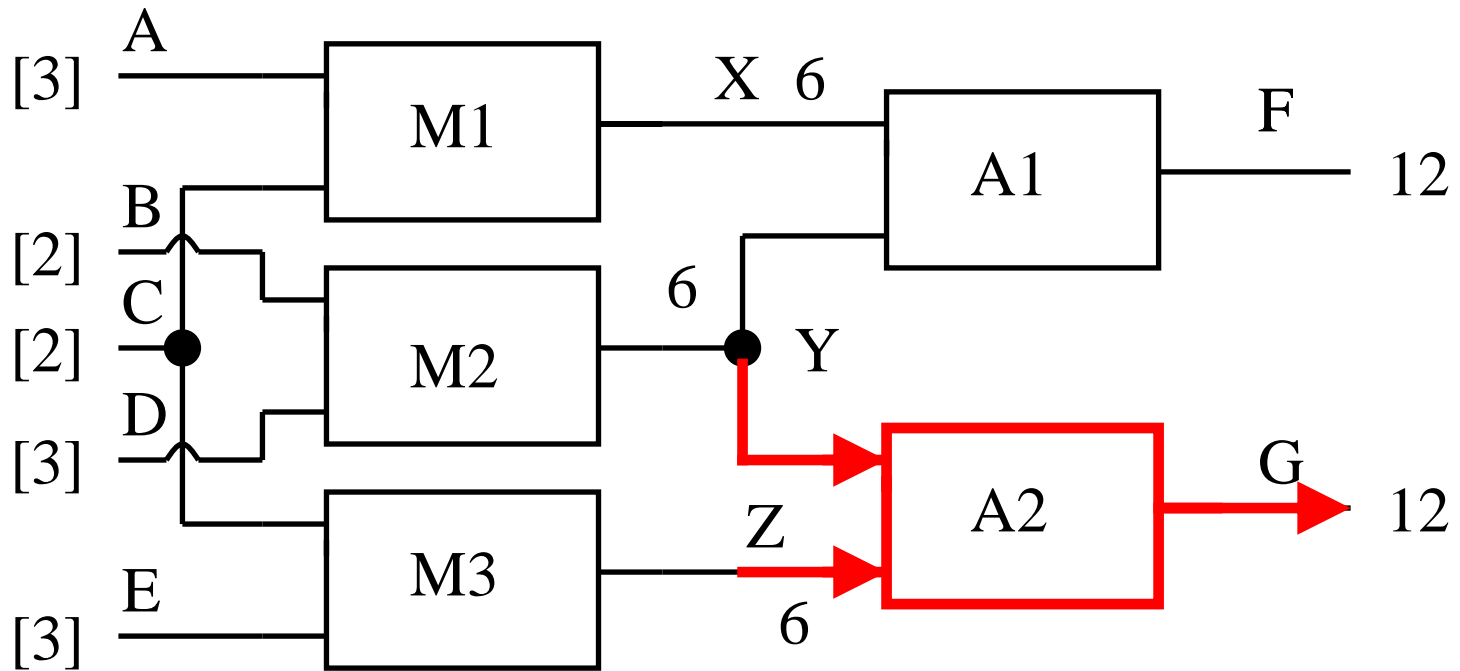
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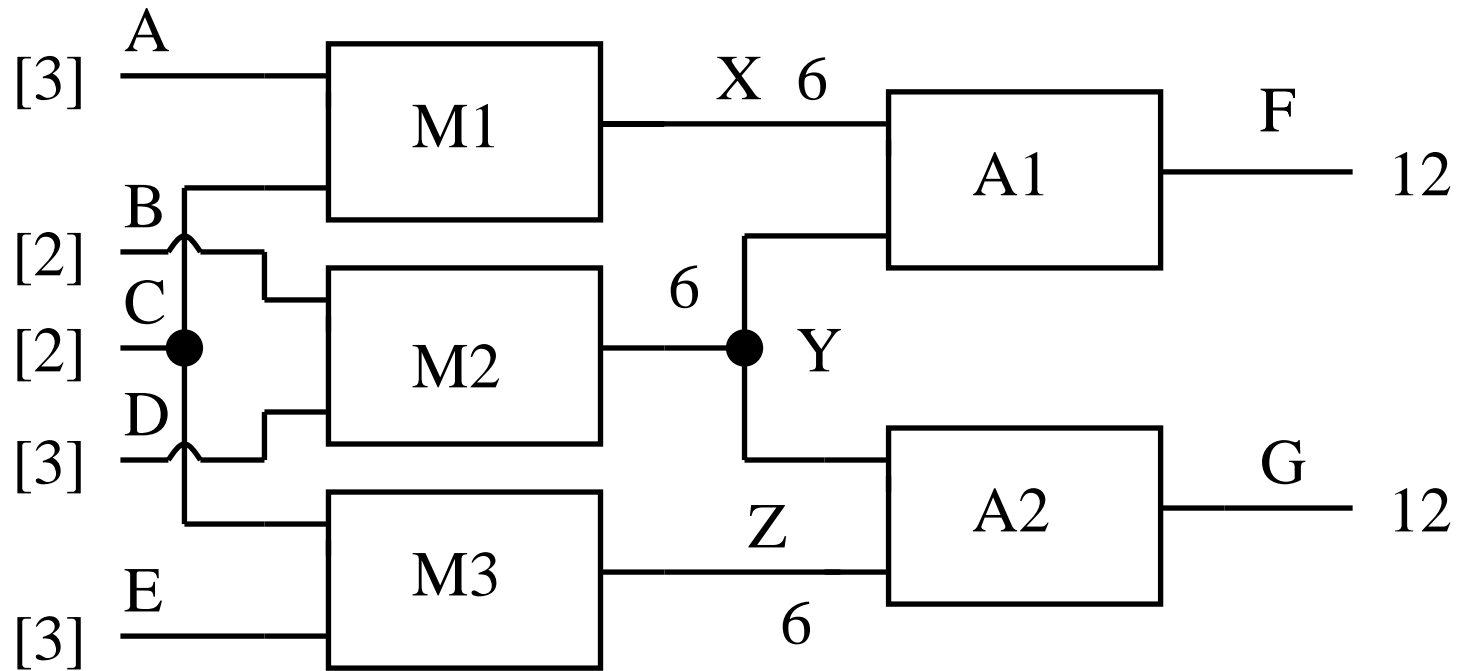
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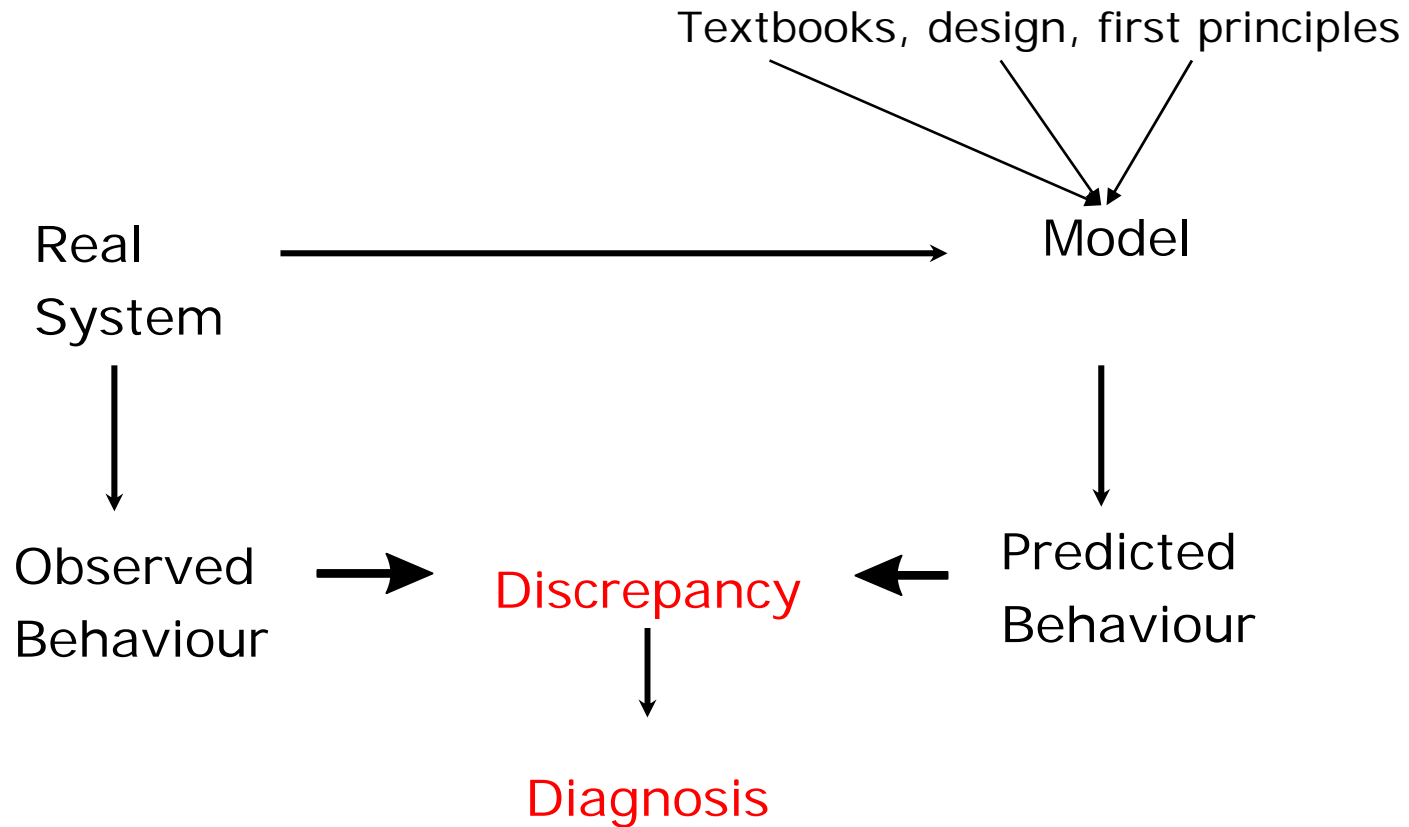
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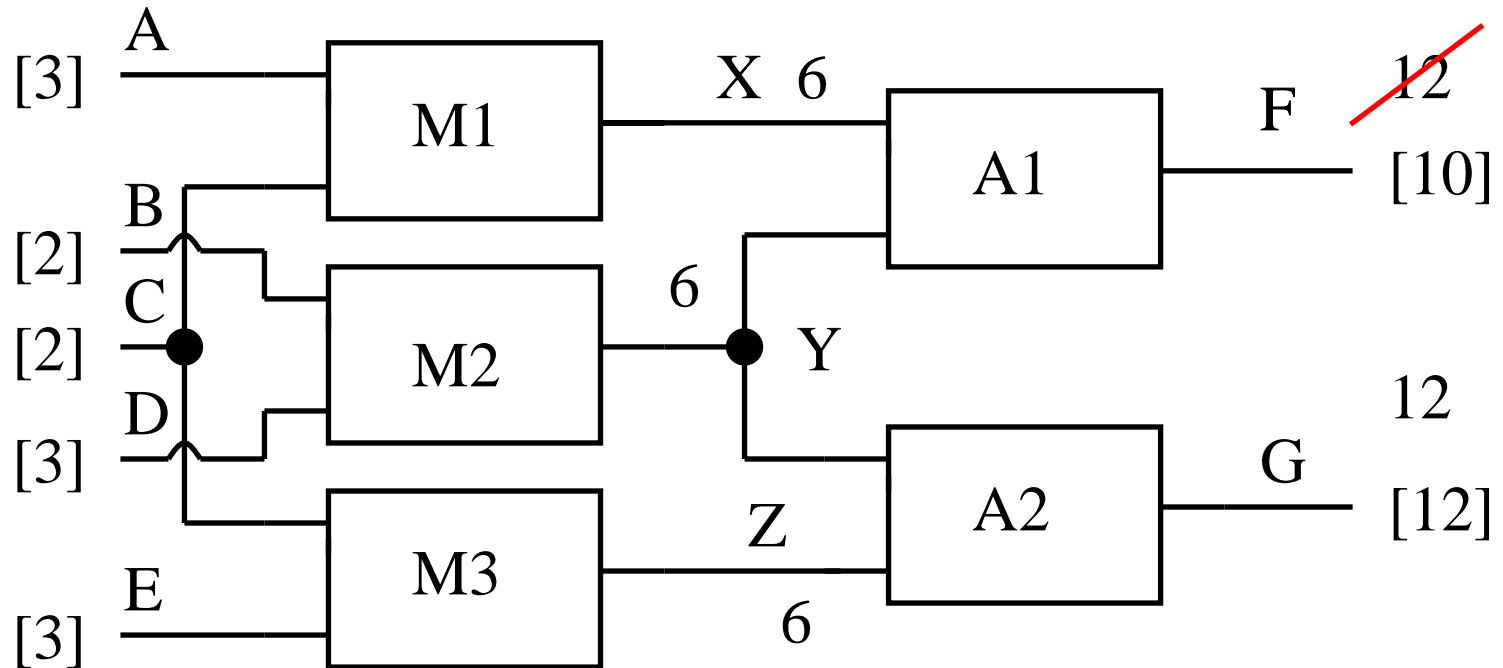
Predicted Behaviour



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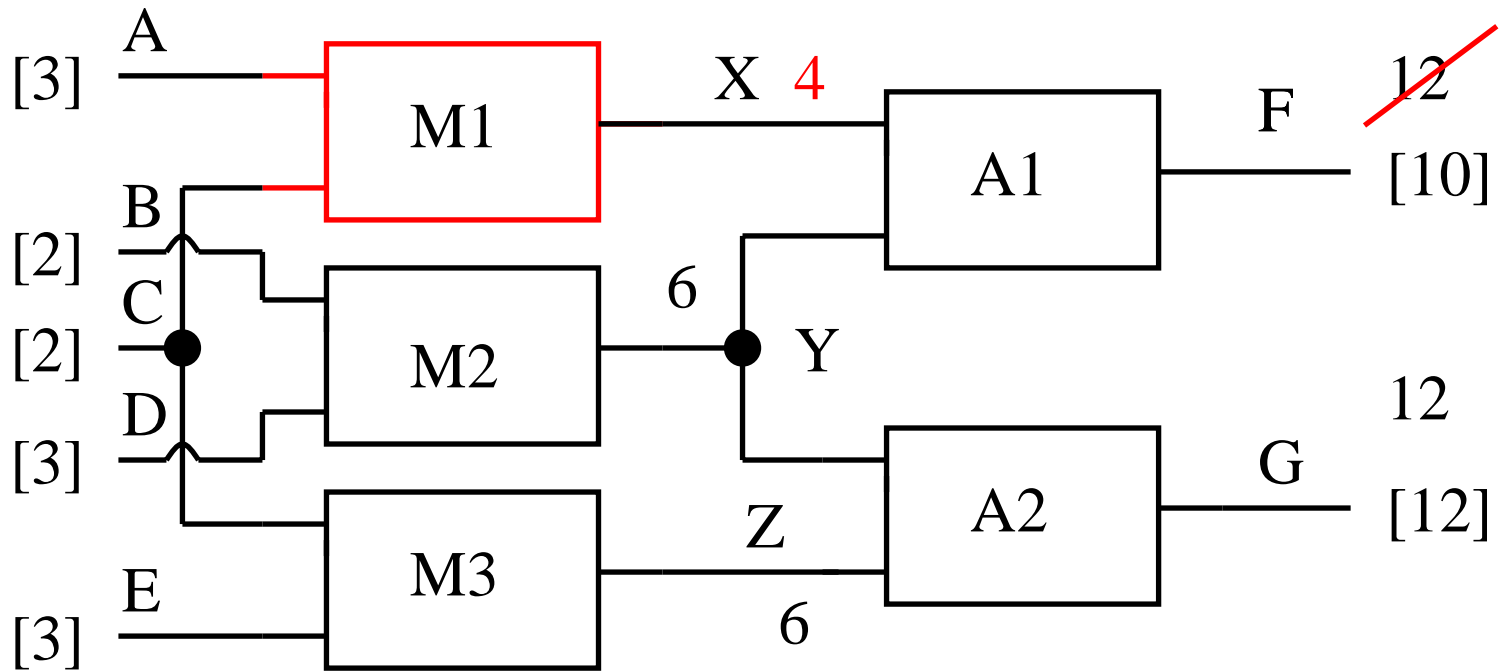


Candidates

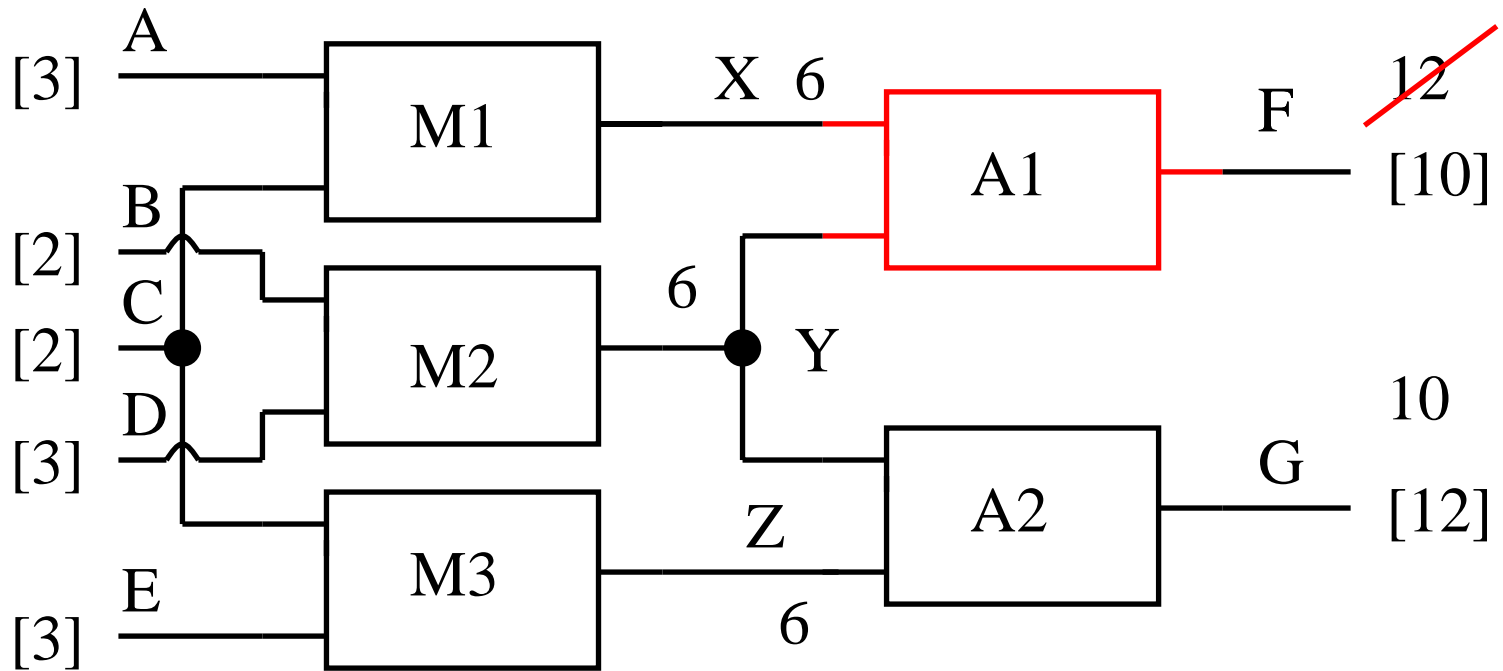


- Detect Symptoms: $F=12$ and $F=10$
- Generate Candidates: $\{M1\}$, $\{A1\}$, $\{M2, S2\}$, $\{M2, M3\}$

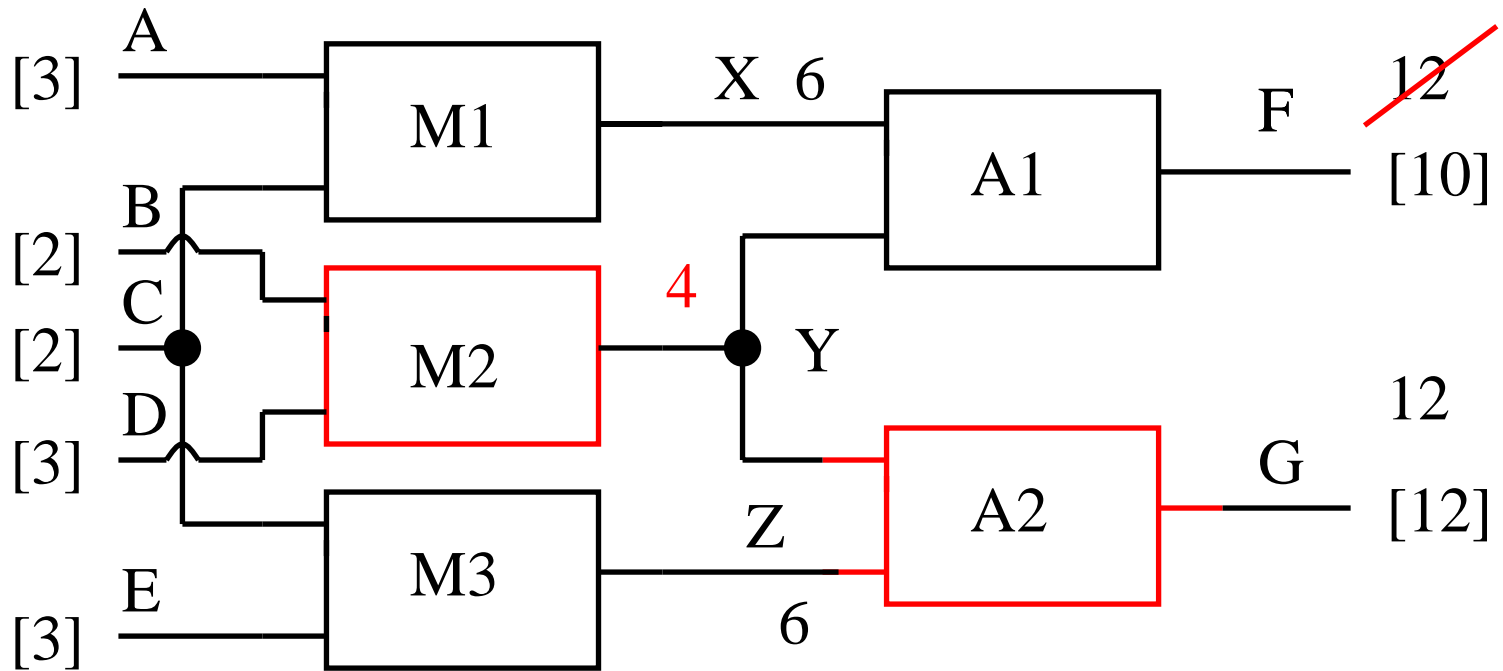
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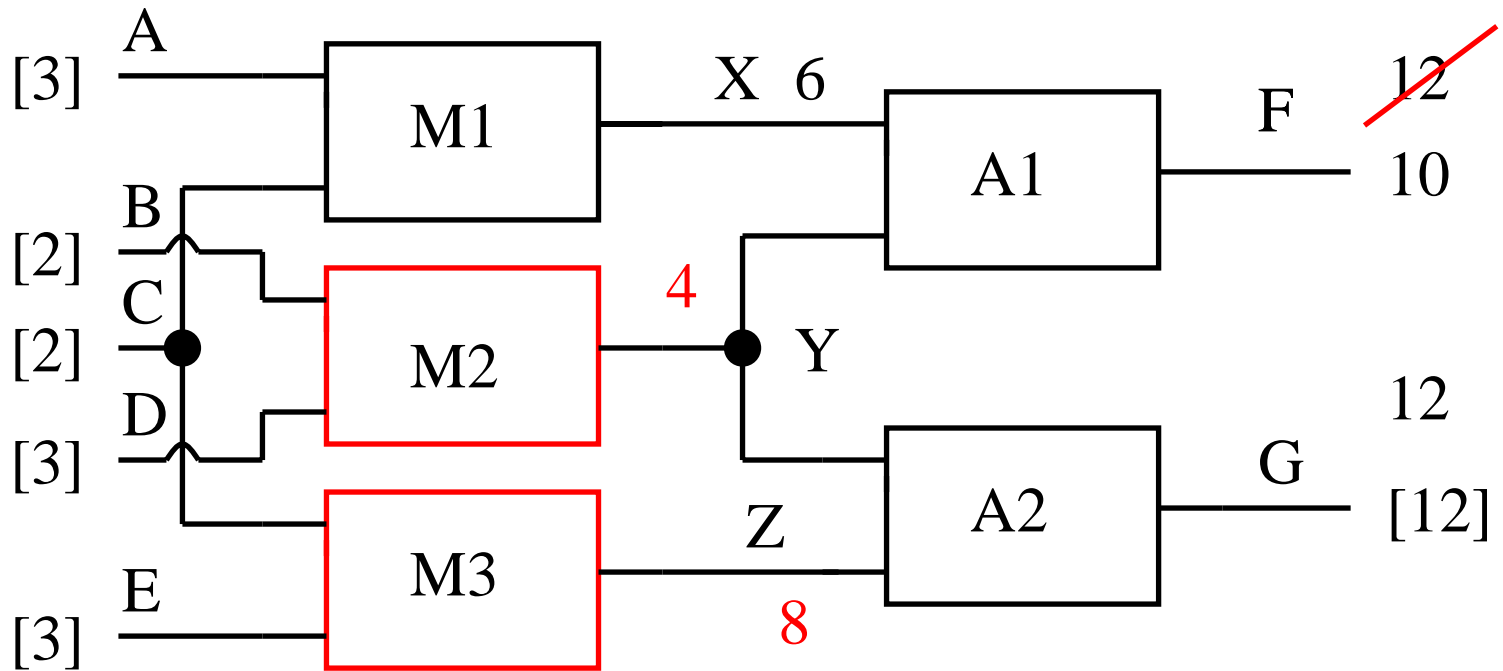
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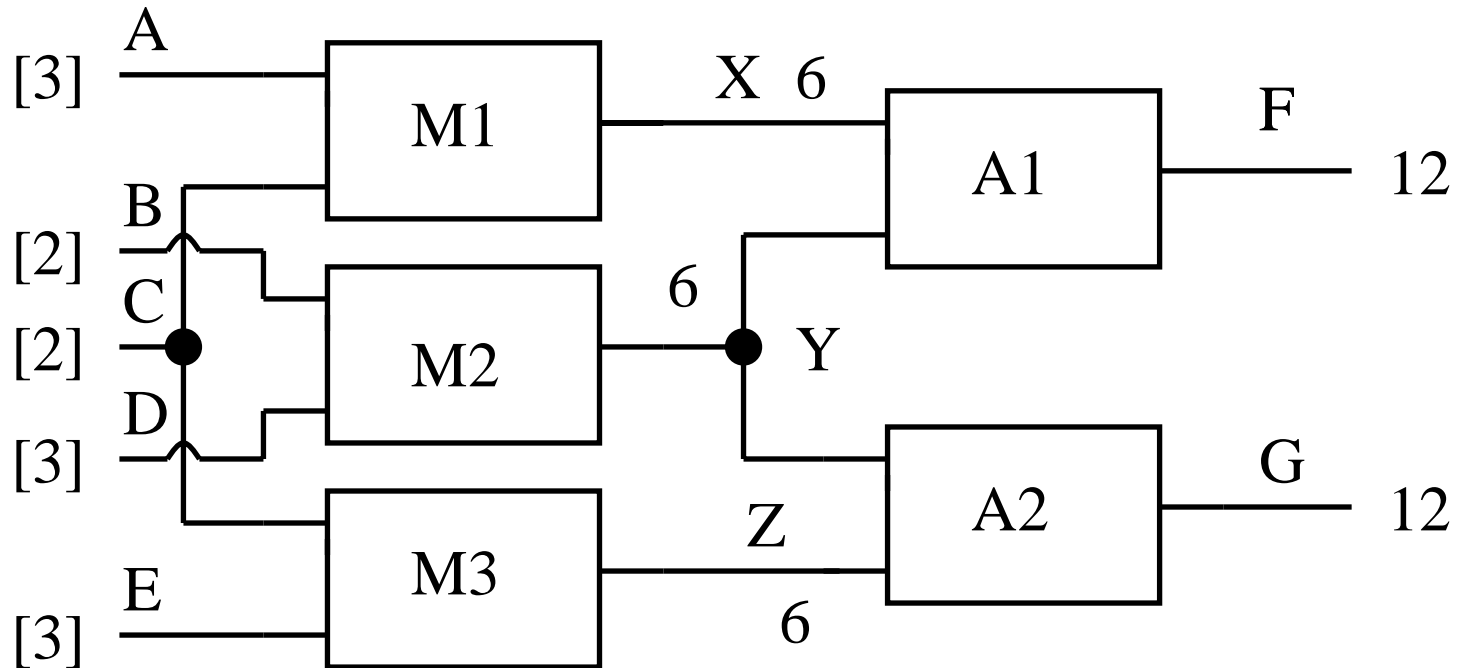




How GDE works?

1. Detecting every SYMPTOM
Prediction: propagating on every direction (even non causal!)
2. Identifying CONFLICTS
3. Generating CANDIDATES

Prediction - Requirements



- Modelling structure
- Modelling component behaviour
- Predict overall behaviour



Modelling Structure - Requirements

- Determine the structural elements and interconnections
 - Which entities can be the origin of malfunction?
 - Which parts can be replaced?
 - Which variables can be observed?
 - Reflect aspects and levels of (diagnostic) reasoning about the device behaviour



Component-Oriented Modelling: Components and Connections

- Systems: **components** linked by **connections** via **terminals**
 - Components: Normally physical objects
 - Resistors, diodes, voltage sources, tanks, valves
 - Terminals: unique communication link
 - Connections: ideal connections (but may be modelled as components)
 - No resistance wires, load less pipes...
- Possible faults: defect components, broken connection



Modelling Behaviour - Requirements

- Describe behaviour of the structural elements:
Locality
- Goal: detecting discrepancies
- Consider aspects like
 - Generality: which kind of devices are to be diagnosed?
 - Robustness: which type of failure are to be detected
- Reflect the diagnostic reasoning process (e.g. simplifications)
- Which kind of information is (easily) available (e. g. qualitative information)



Local behaviour models

- Constrains / relations among
 - Input/Output variables
 - Internal parameters
- Various directions
- No implicit reference to or implicit assumptions about context (existence or state of other components)
- **Locality**
 - Necessary for diagnosis: different context because something is broken; otherwise implicit hypothesis must be revised
 - Reusability: model library, compositionally

Local behaviour model - Example

- Or-gate

- Variables: $in1, in2, out$

- Domain

$dom(in1) = dom(in2) = dom(out) = \{0, 1\}$

- Relation

$\{\{0, 0, 0\}, \{1, 0, 1\}, \{0, 1, 1\}, \{1, 1, 1\}\}$

$\subset dom(in1) \times dom(in2) \times dom(out)$

- Inferences

- $in1 = 1 \supset out = 1$

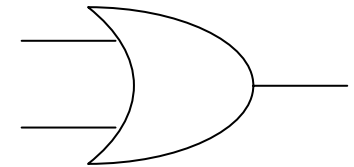
- $in2 = 1 \supset out = 1$

- $in1 = 0 \wedge in2 = 0 \supset out = 0$

- $out = 0 \supset in1 = 0 \wedge in2 = 0$

- $out = 1 \wedge in1 = 0 \supset in2 = 1$

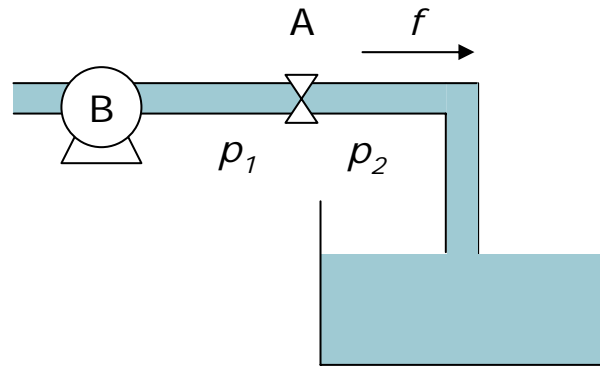
- $out = 1 \wedge in2 = 0 \supset in1 = 1$



causal direction

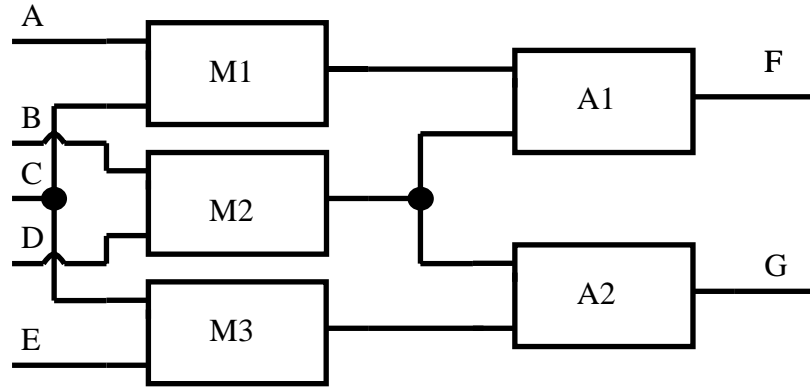
non causal direction

Behaviour model of a valve



- Relation: $f = k \times A$
 - Implicit assumption: pump is on and ok
- Relation: IF on(B) and ok(B) THEN $f = k \times A$
 - Implicit assumption: a pump exists and is connected as in the diagram
- Better: $f \propto k' \times (p_1 - p_2) \times A$
- Principle: **no function in structure**

Abstract model



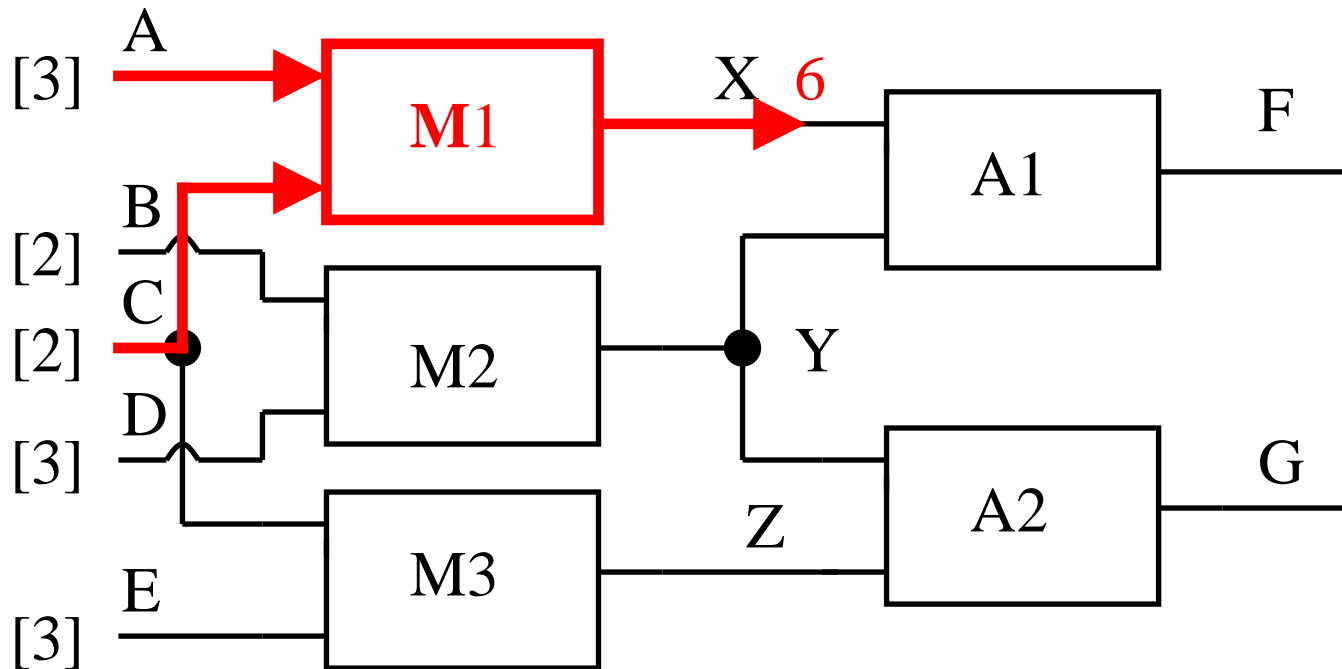
- Domain for each variable, var
 $dom(var) = \{OK, BAD, ?\}$
- Model for each correct component, C
IF for all input-variables, var_i of C , $var_i = OK$
THEN for each output-variable, var_o of C , $var_o = OK$
- To avoid masking of faults by correct components
IF there exists an input-variable, var_i of C , $var_i = BAD$
THEN for each output-variable, var_o of C , $var_o = BAD$



Prediction - Principles

- Infer the behaviour of the entire device from
 - Observations
 - Component models
 - Structural description
- Preserve dependencies on component models
- Propagate the effects of local models along the interaction paths (connections)
- Propagate not only in the causal direction

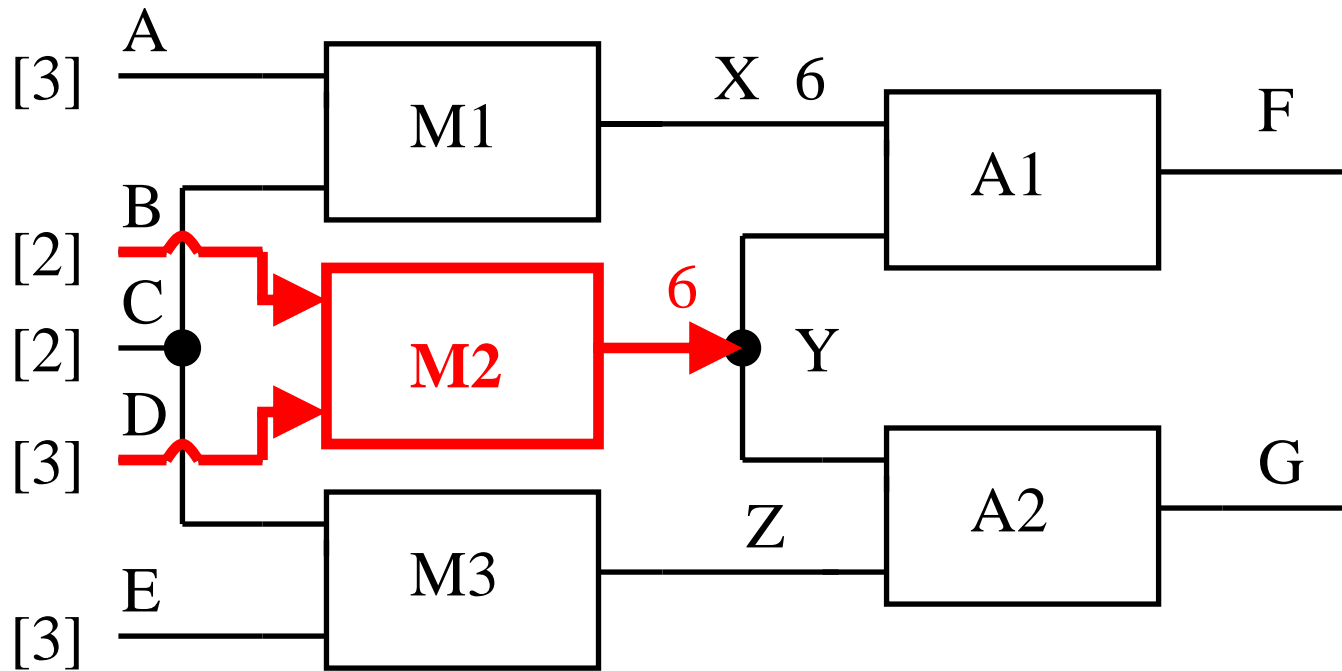
Propagation Causal direction (I)



- $[A]=3 \wedge [C]=2 \supset X=6$ (M1)

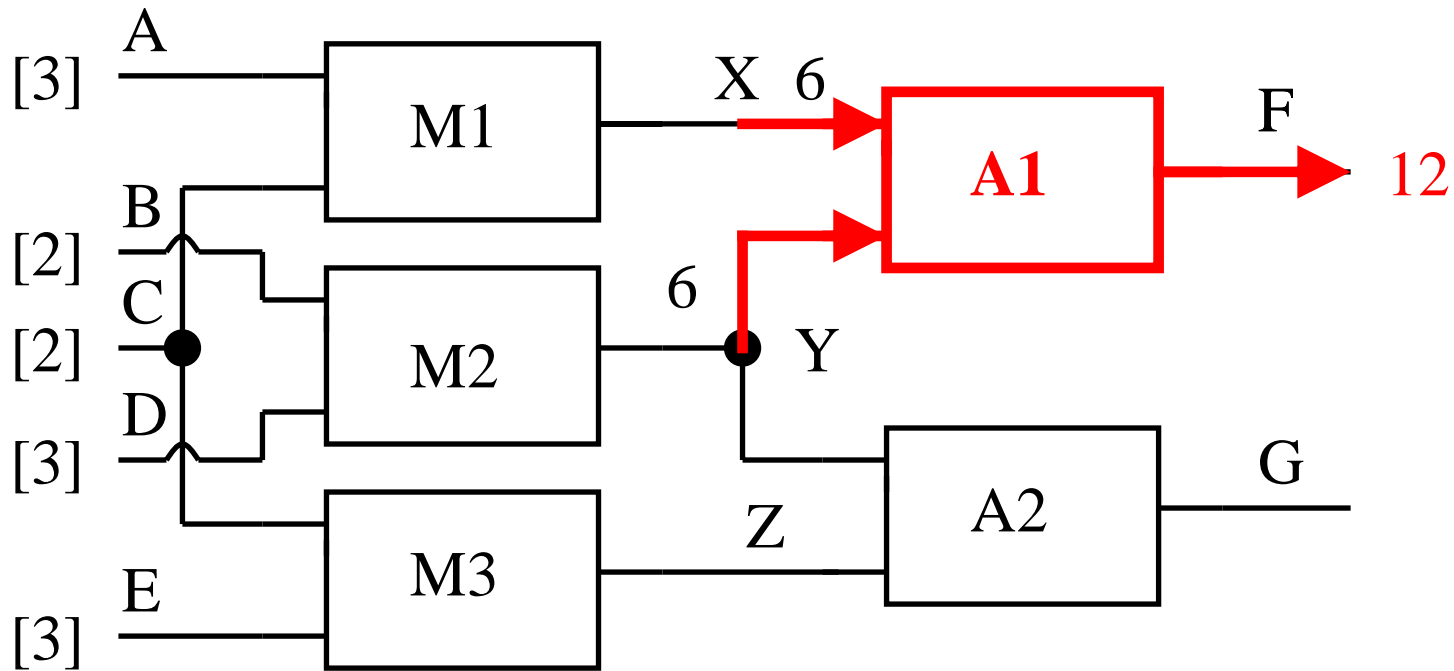
Propagation

Causal direction (II)



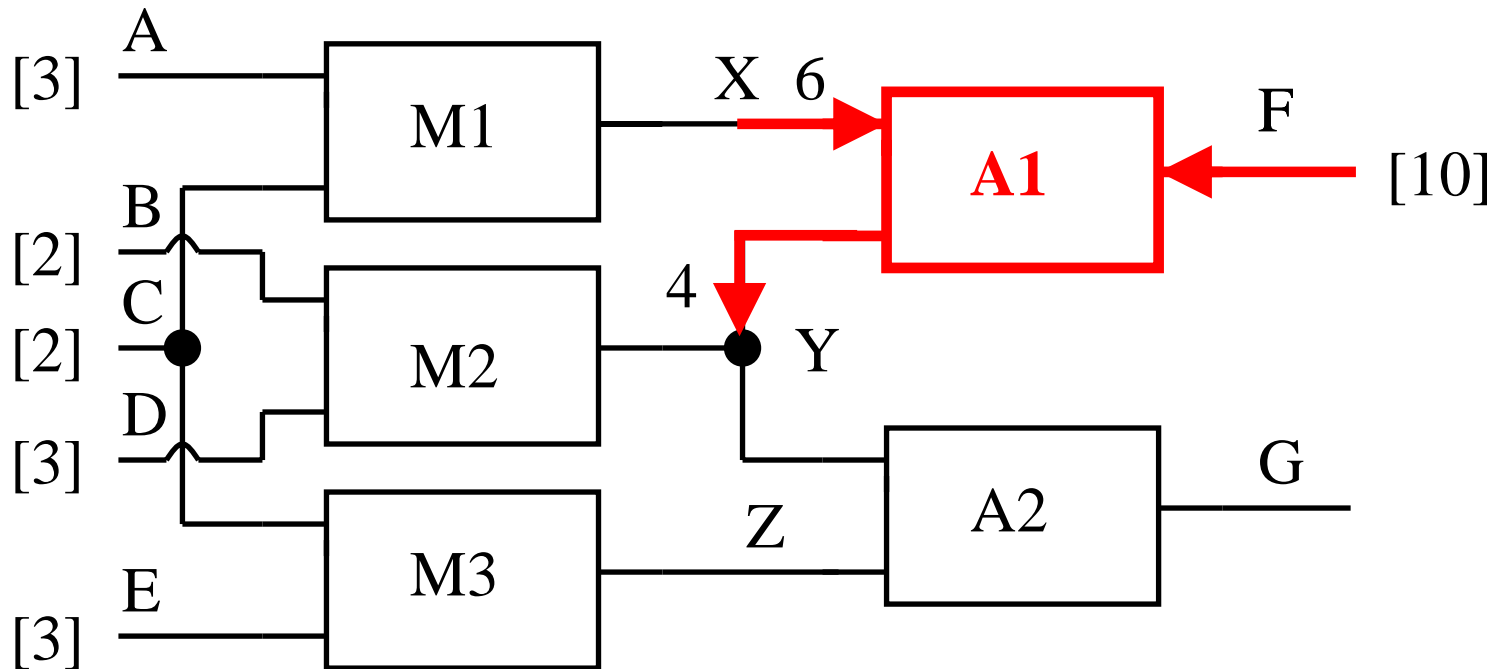
- $[B]=2 \wedge [D]=3 \supset Y=6$ (M2)

Propagation Causal direction (III)



- $X=6 \wedge Y=6 \supset F=12$ (A1)

Propagation "Backward" direction (II)



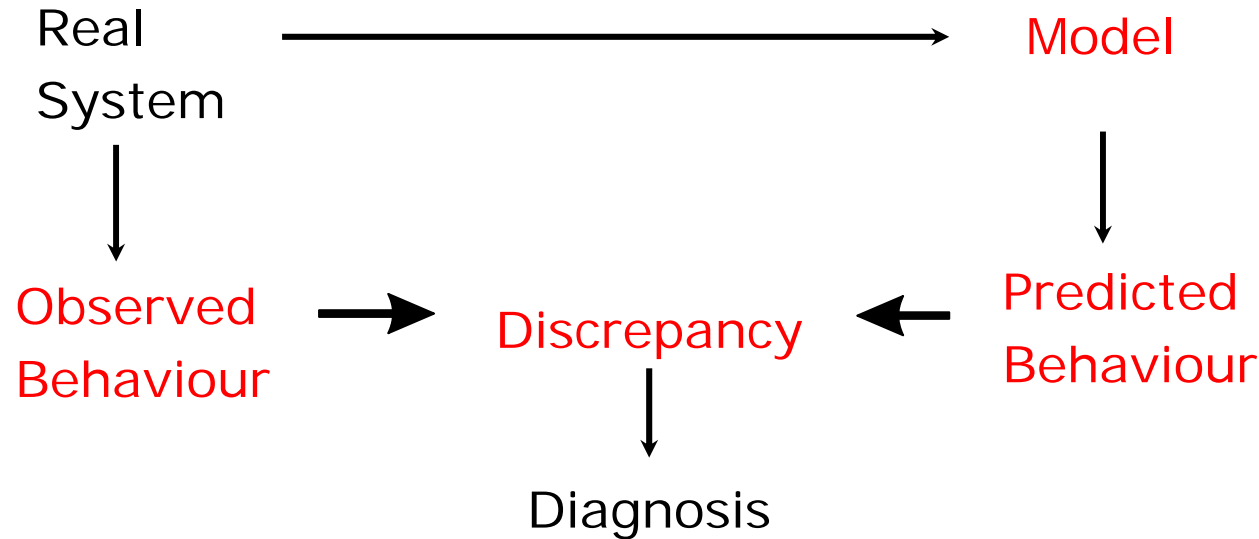
- $[F]=10 \wedge X=6 \supset Y=4$ (A1)



Candidate Generation

- Detecting SYMPTOMS (DISCREPANCIES)
- Identifying (minimal) CONFLICTS
- Generating (minimal) CANDIDATES

Symptoms

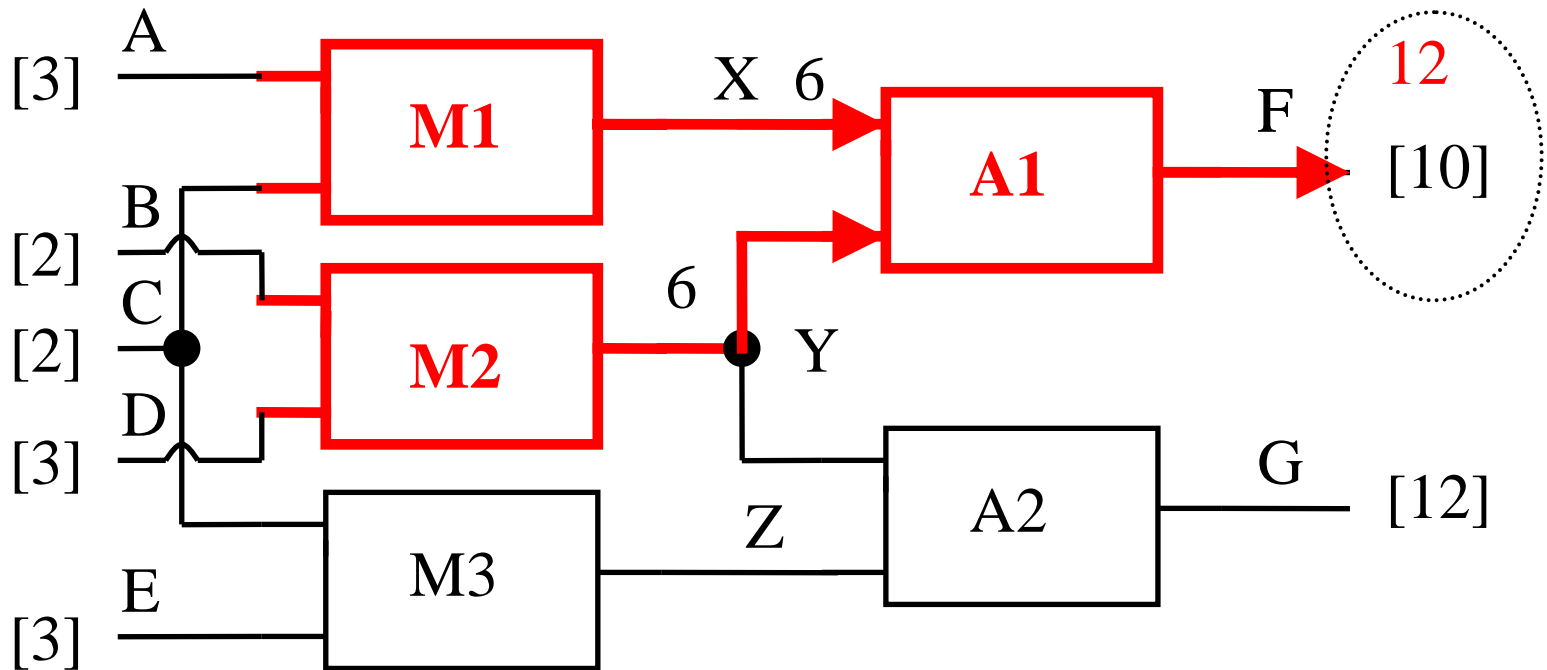


- Symptoms are contradictions that indicate an inconsistency between observations and correct behaviour
 - But other potential sources of contradictions
 - Imprecise measurements
 - Bugs in the model
 - Bugs in propagation

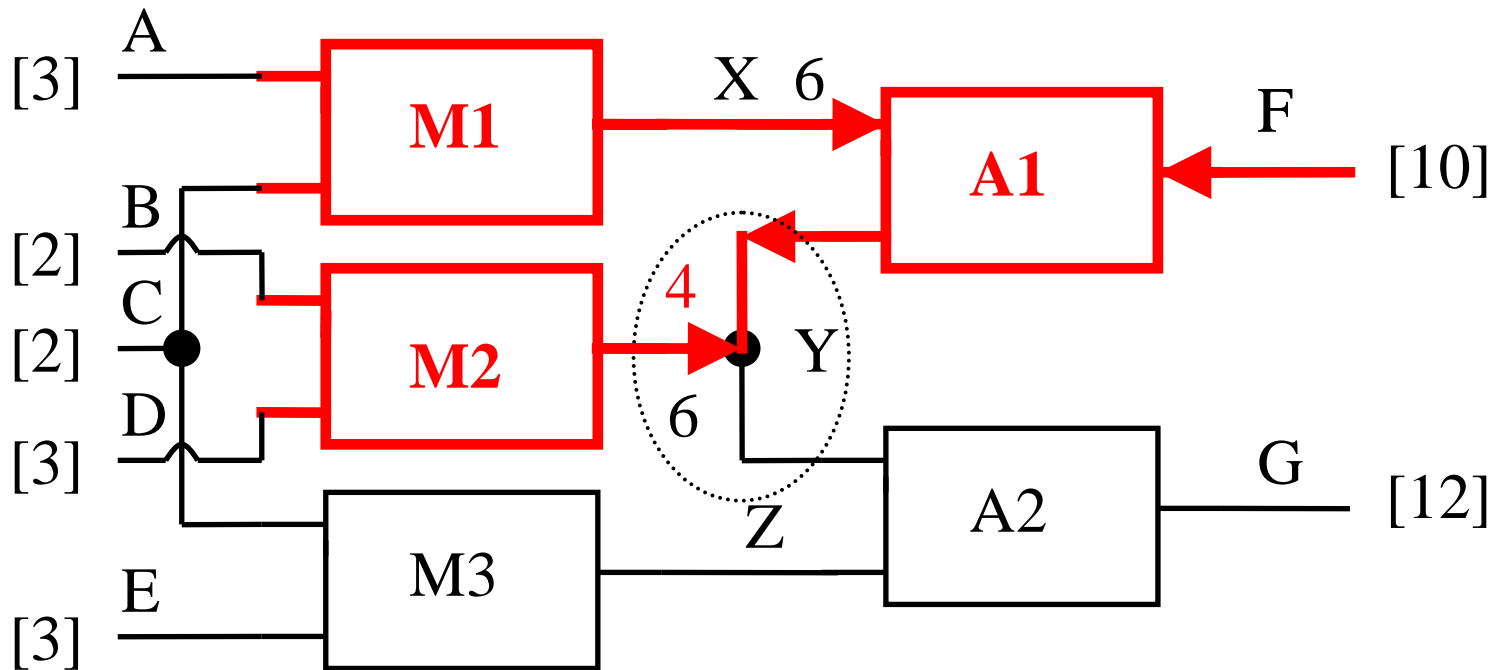
Symptoms Detection

- Symptoms occurs as contradictory values for one variable
 - Predicted plus observed
 - Predicted following two different paths
- Discrete Variables
 - Static $x = \text{val1} \wedge x = \text{val2} \wedge \text{val1} \neq \text{val2}$
 - Dynamic $x = (\text{val1}, t1) \wedge x = (\text{val2}, t2) \wedge \text{val1} \neq \text{val2} \wedge (t1 \cap t2) \neq \emptyset$
- Continuous Variables
 - Qualitatives (static):
 - Intervals: $x = i1 \wedge x = i2 \wedge (i1 \cap i2) \neq \emptyset$
 - Values: $x = \text{val1} \wedge x = \text{val2} \wedge \text{val1} \neq \text{val2}$
 - Relations: $x \approx \text{val1} \wedge x \ll \text{val2}$
 - Quantitatives : $\text{distance}, \int \text{distance} > \text{Threshold}$

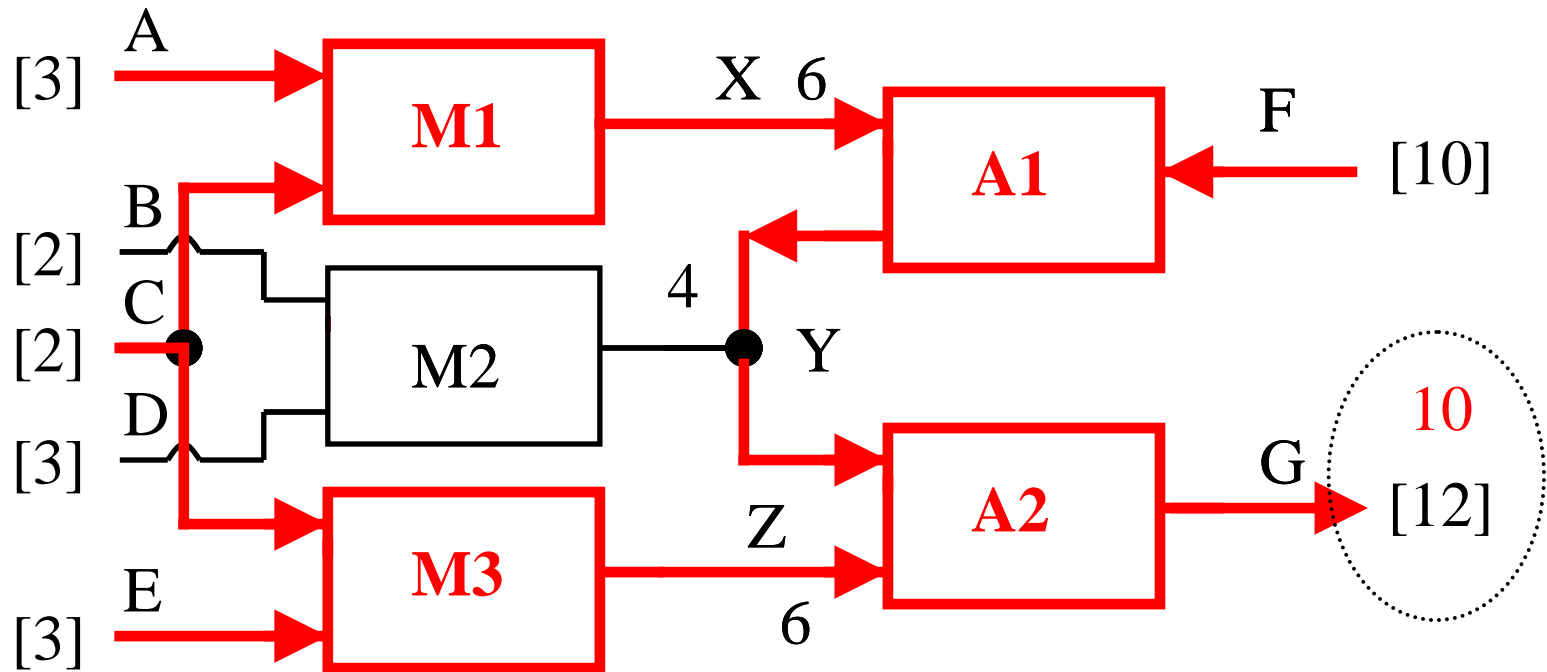
Some symptoms for the polybox (I)



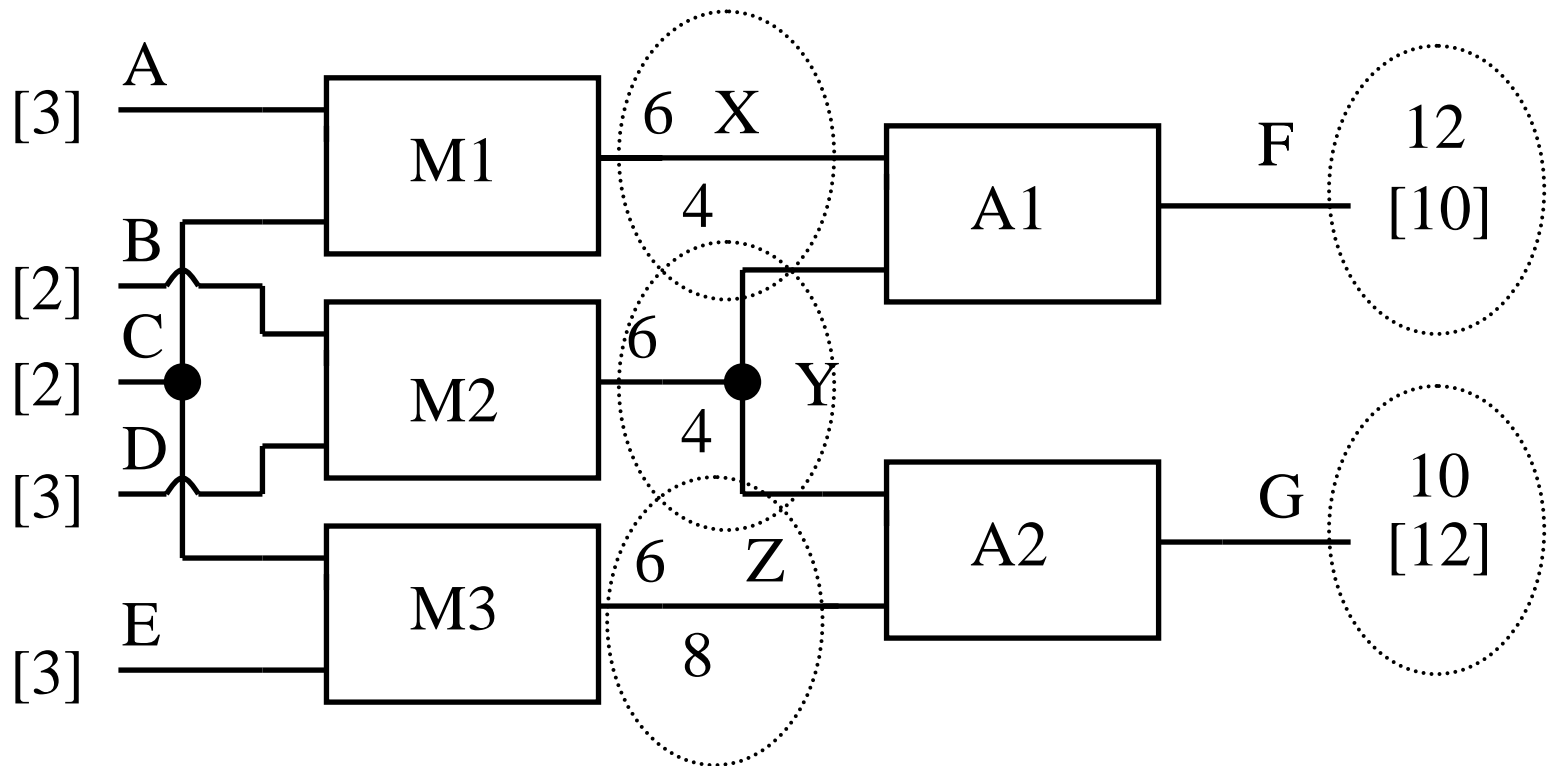
Some symptoms for the polybox (II)



Some symptoms for the polybox (III)



Some symptoms for the polybox (IV)

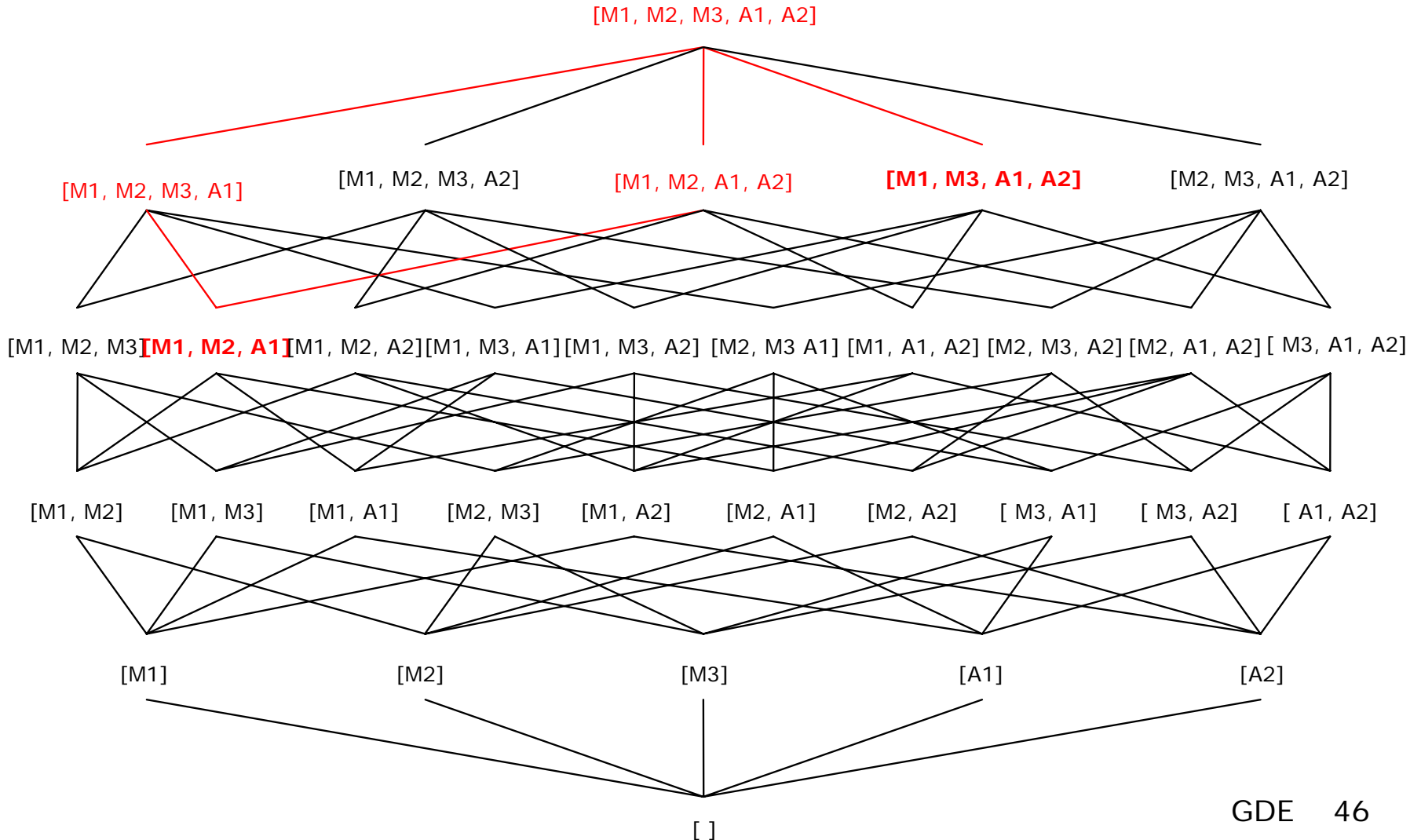




Identify conflicts

- Conflict (informal): set of correctness assumptions underlying discrepancies
- Polybox (minimal) conflicts
 - $F=[10] \wedge F=12$ $\{M1, M2, A1\}, \{M1, M3, A1, A2\}$
 - $X=6 \wedge X=4$ $\{M1, M2, A1\}, \{M1, M3, A1, A2\}$
 - $Y=6 \wedge Y=4$ $\{M1, M2, A1\}, \{M1, M3, A1, A2\}$
 - $Z=6 \wedge Z=8$ $\{M1, M3, A1, A2\}$
 - $G=[12] \wedge G=10$ $\{M1, M3, A1, A2\}$
- By definition, any superset of a conflict set is a conflict
 - $\{M1, M2, A1\} \subset \{M1, M2, A1, A2\} \subset \{M1, M2, M3, A1, A2\}$
- Minimal conflict: conflict no proper subset of which is a conflict
- It is essential to represent the conflicts through the set of minimal conflicts (to avoid combinatorial explosion)

Conflicts lattice



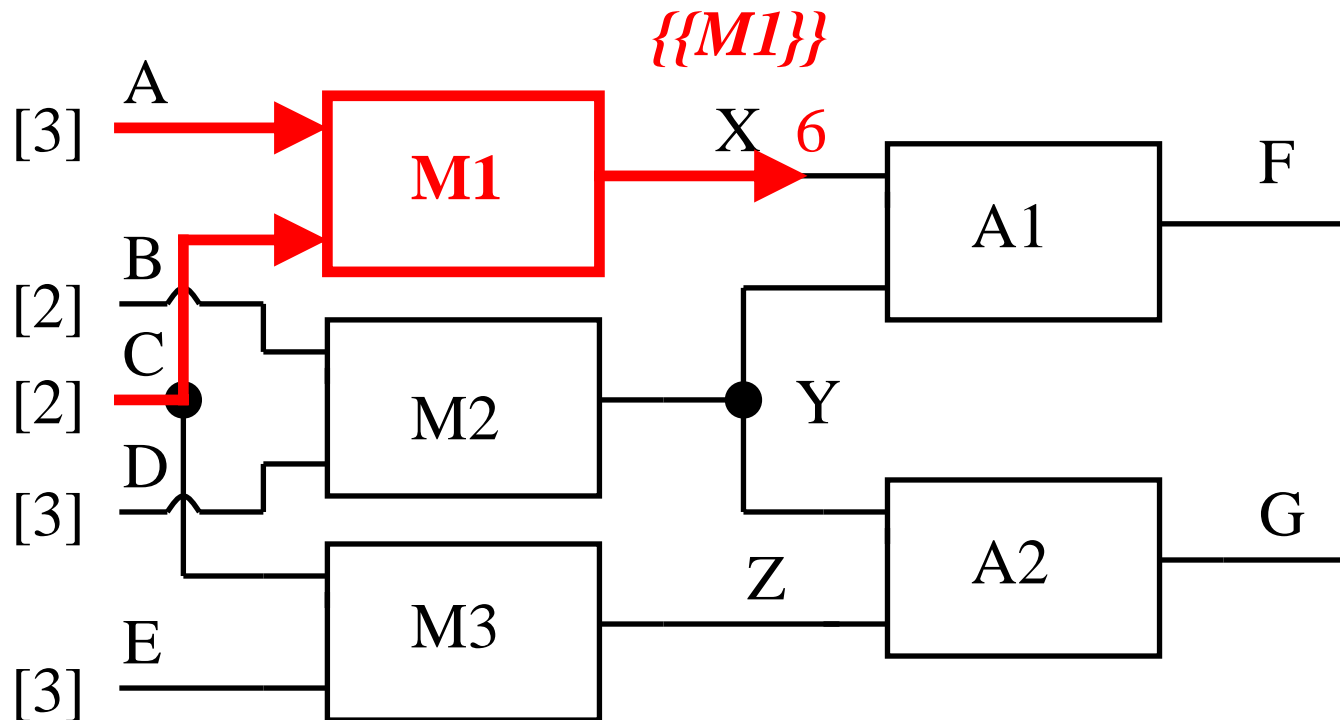


Conflicts generation with ATMS

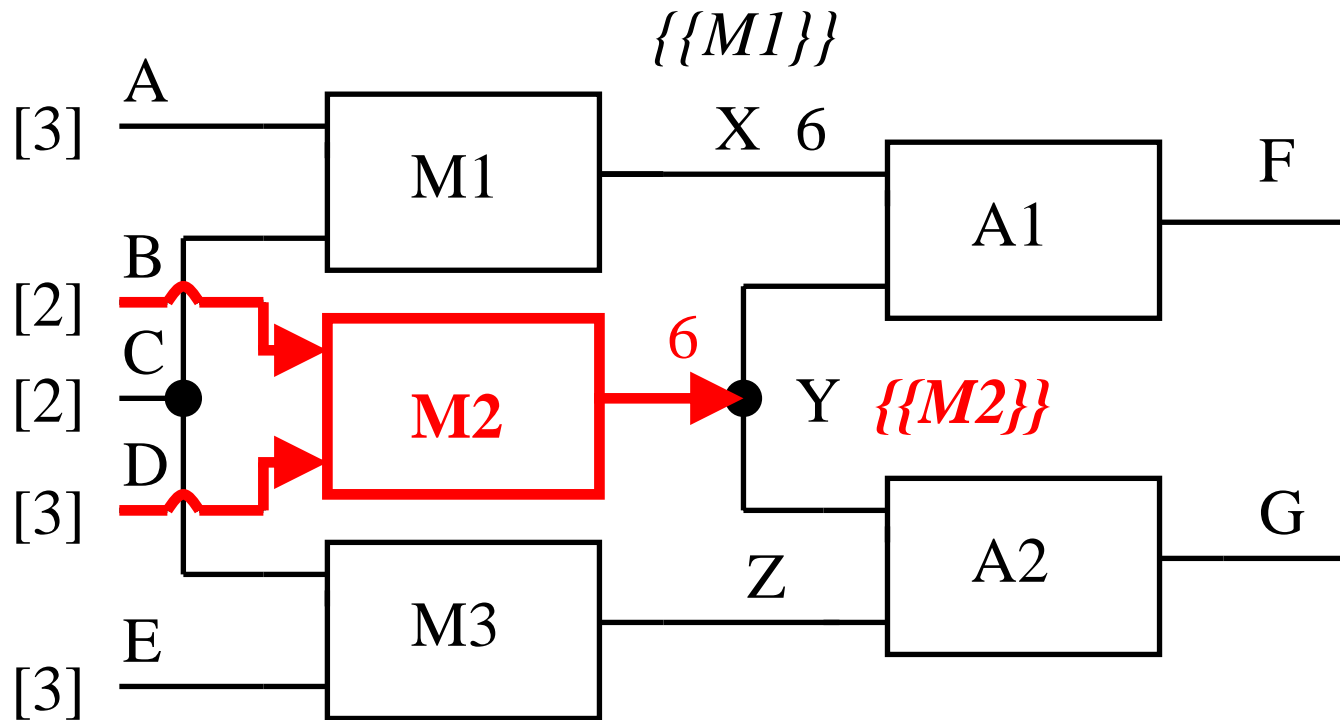
- The problem solver performs inferences
- The ATMS records the dependencies between inferences
 - Introduce observations as facts
 - Support each local propagation with a correctness assumption for the component
 - Label of a node: (minimal) environments that entails the prediction
 - Records components that support prediction
 - Avoids recomputation
 - Symptoms: produce NOGOODS

NOGOODS are the MINIMAL CONFLICTS

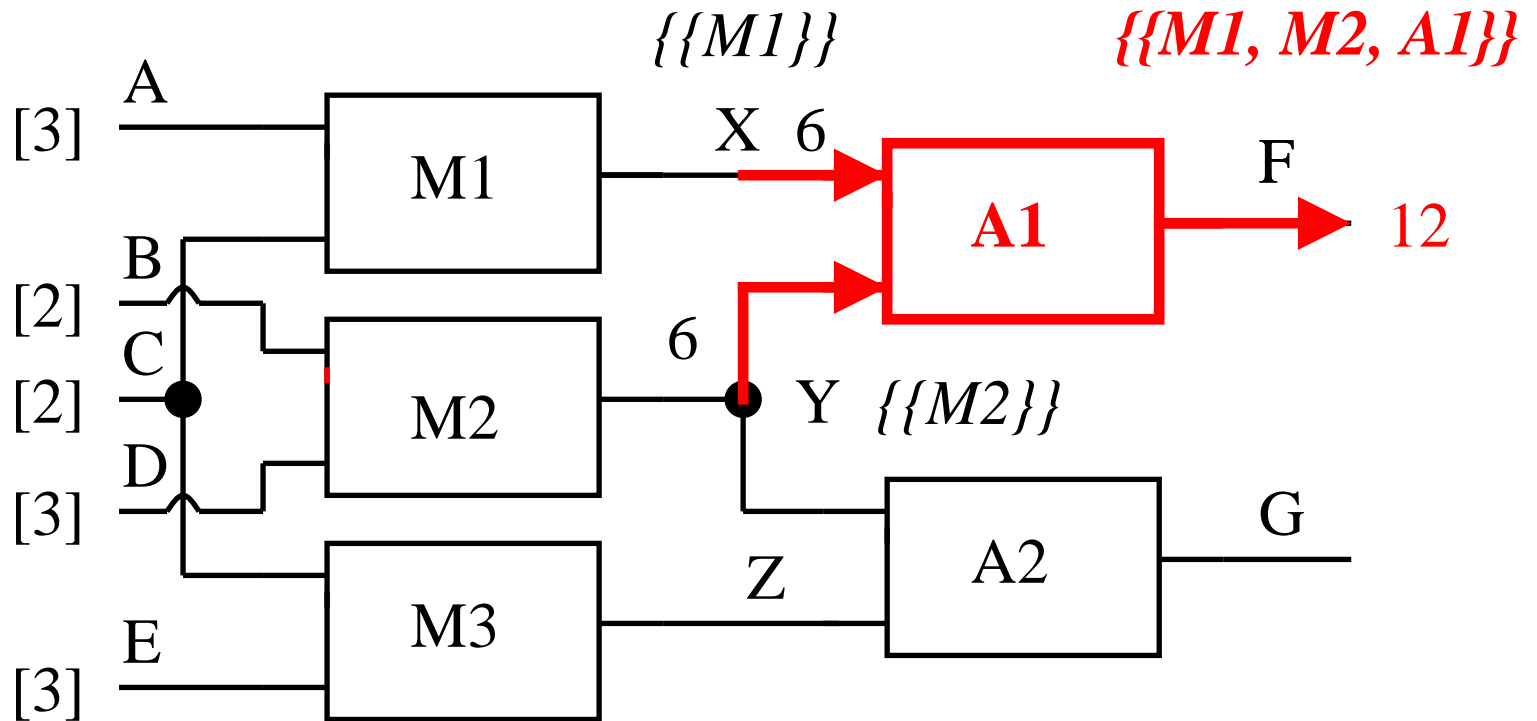
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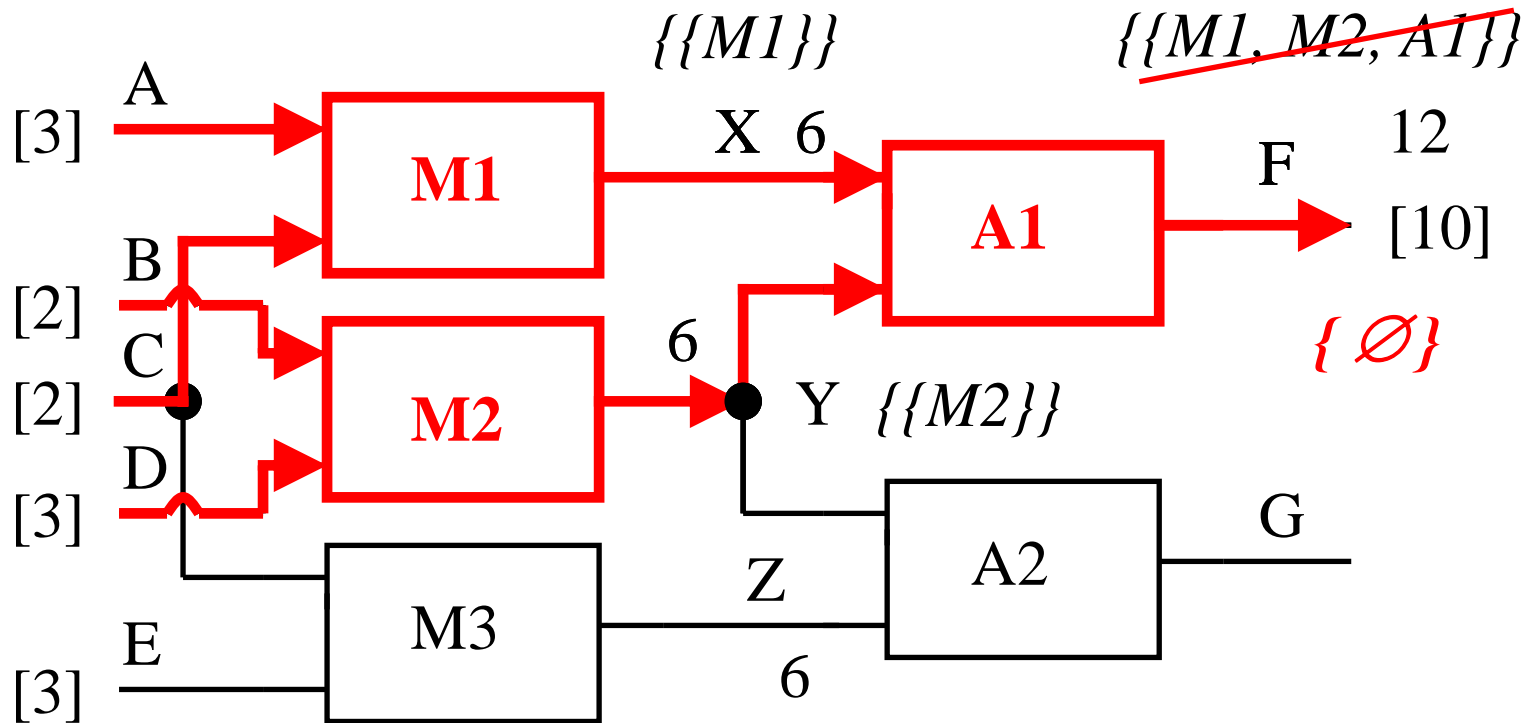
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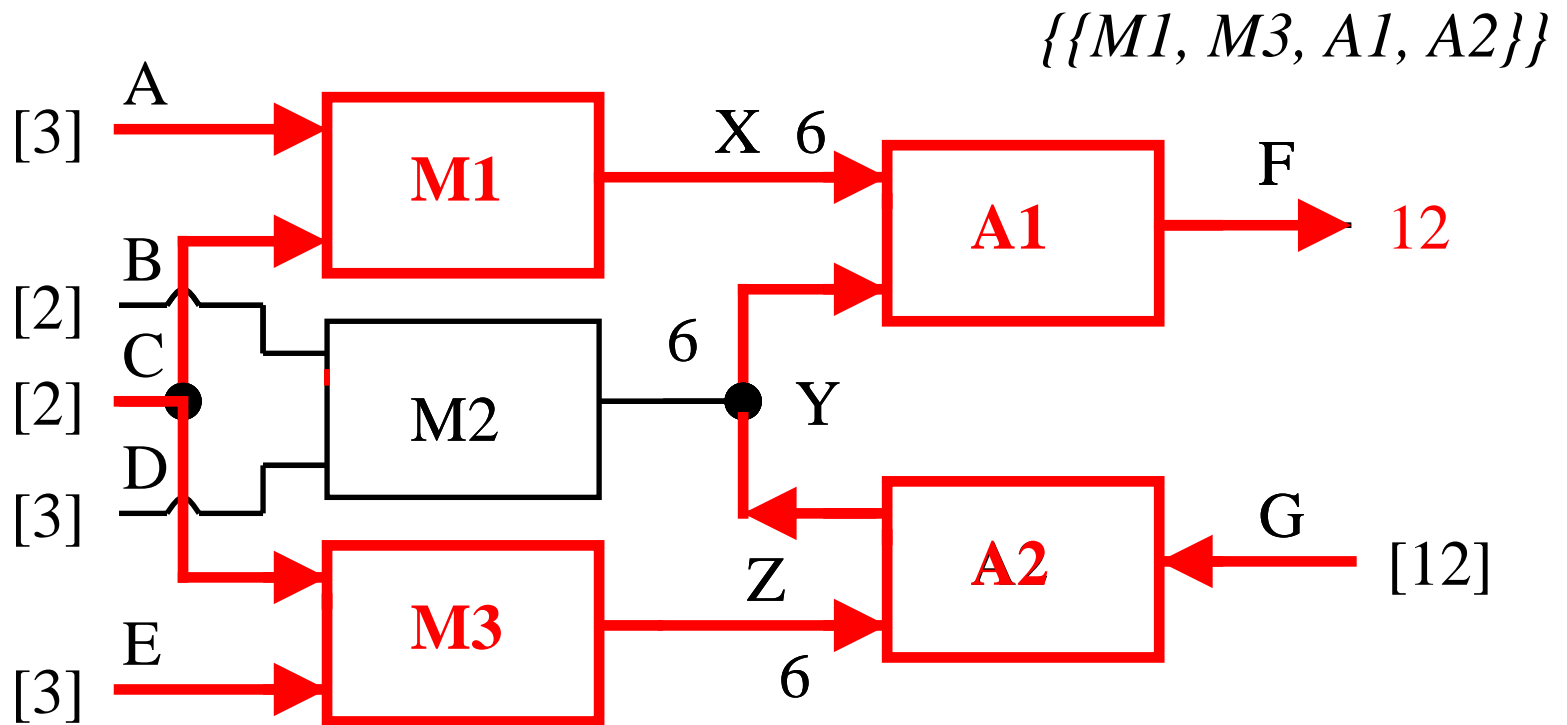
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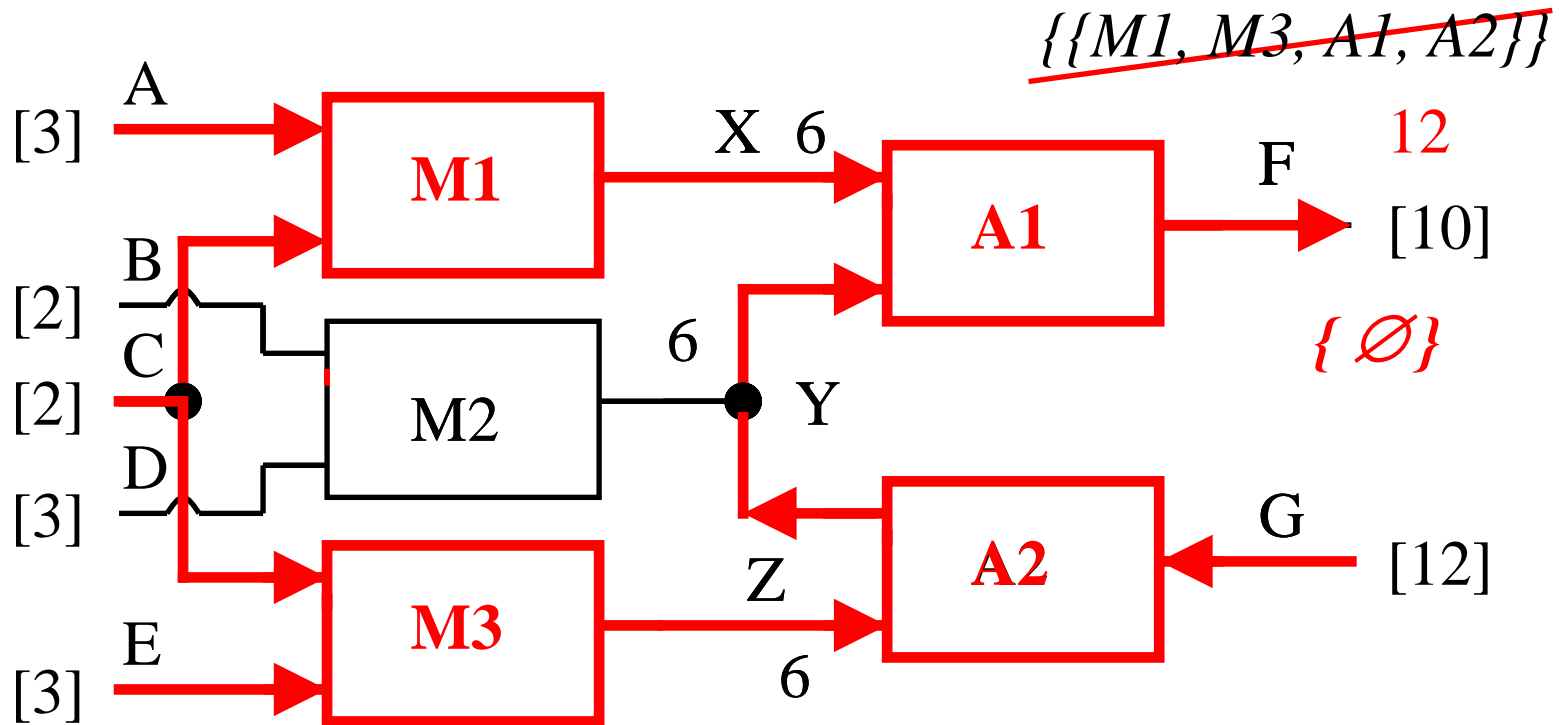
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$\{M1, M2, A1\}$

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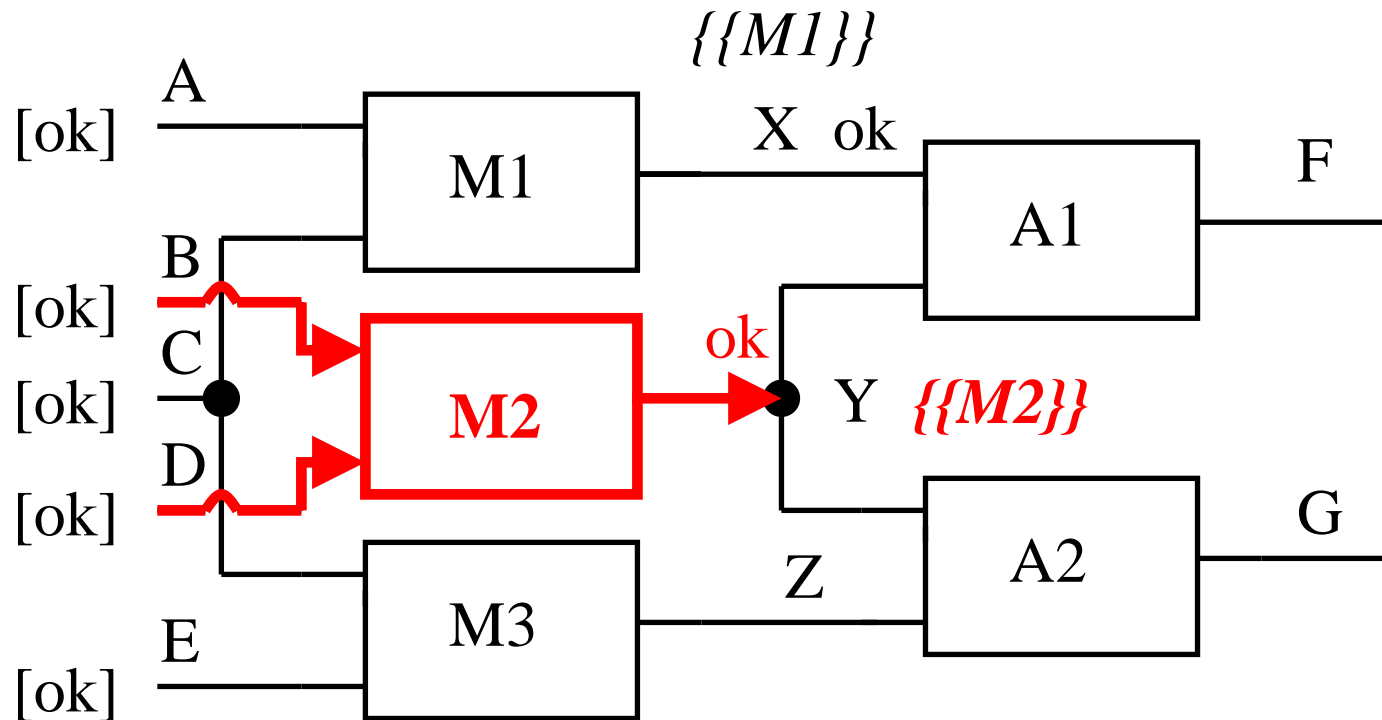
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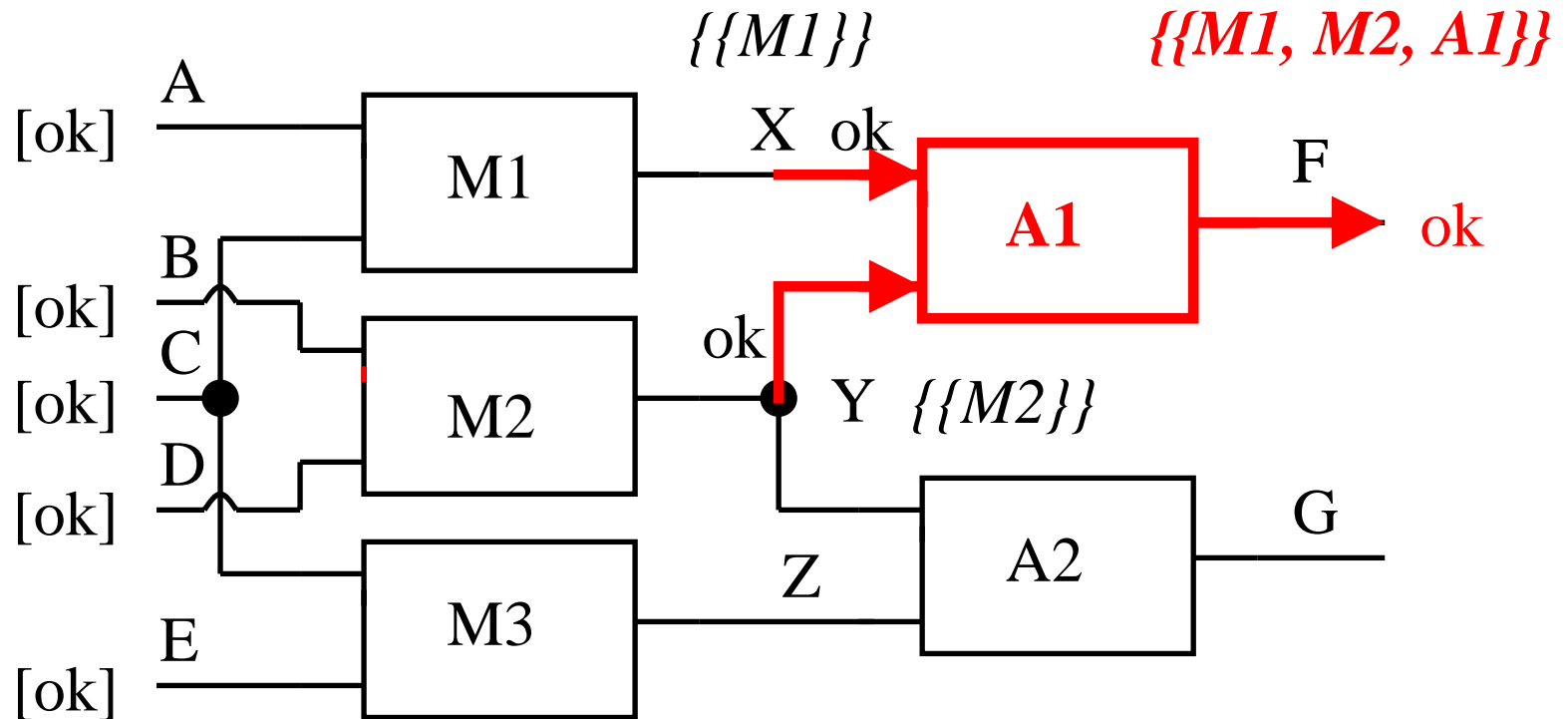
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$$\{M1, M3, A1, A2\}$$

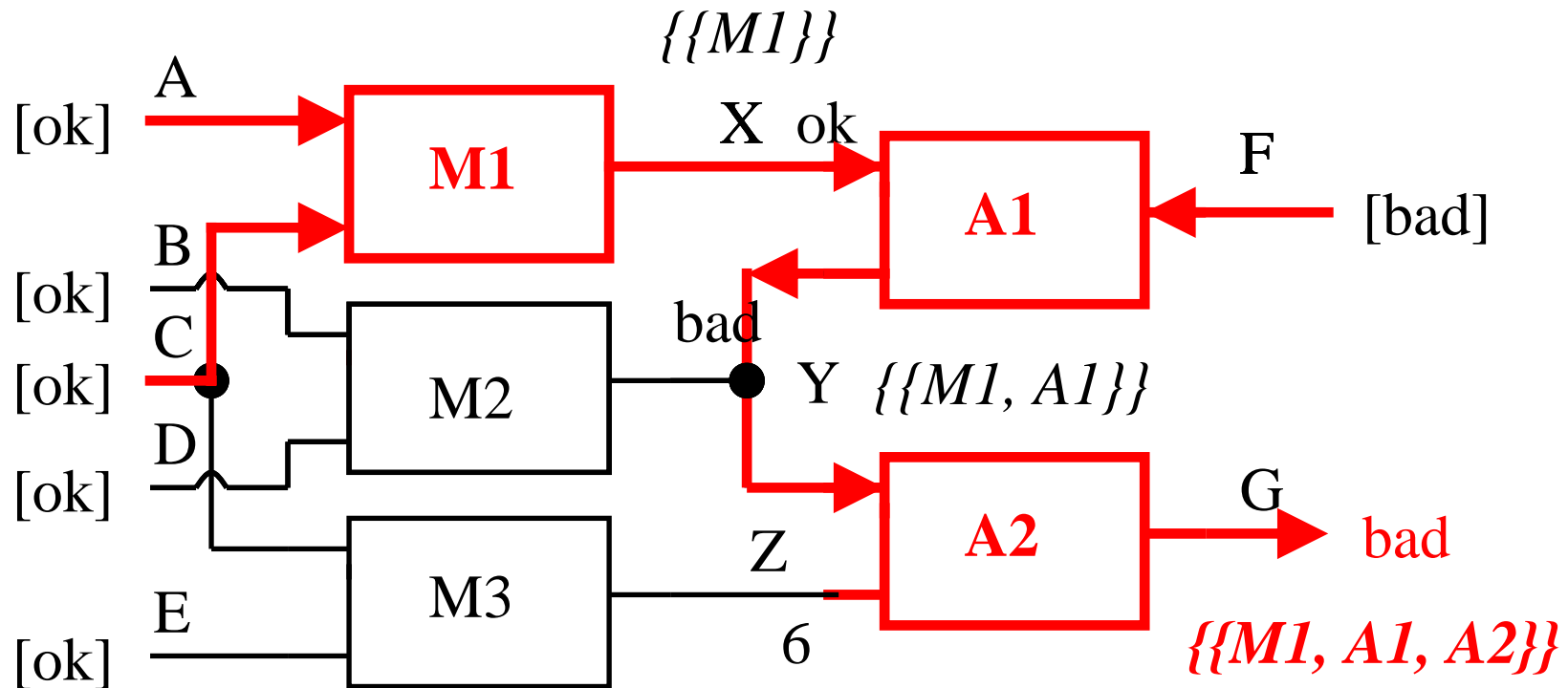
Conflicts generation, abstract model, first minimal conflict (II)



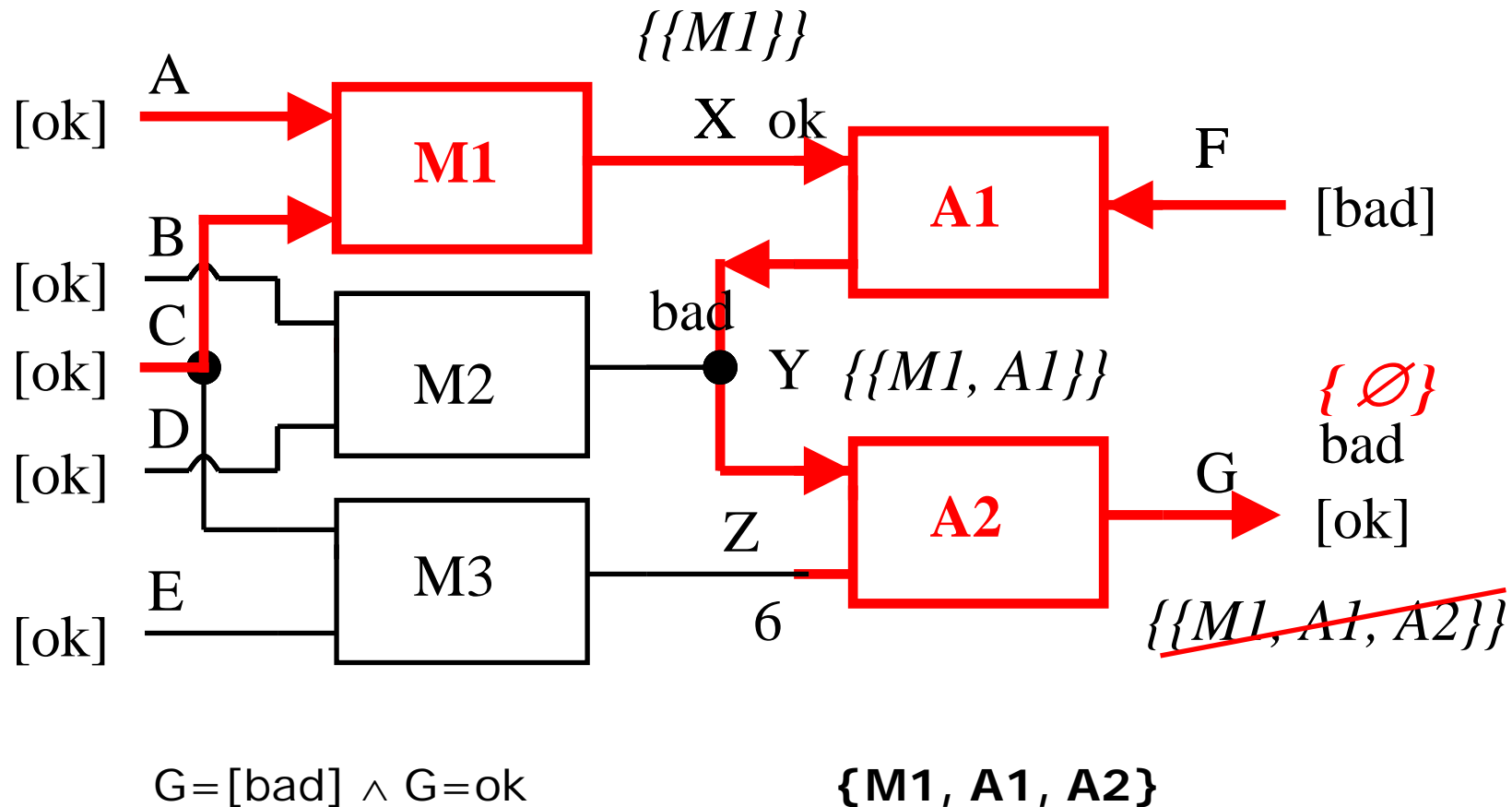
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Conflicts generation, abstract model, second minimal conflict (I)



Conflicts generation, abstract model, second minimal conflict (II)





Candidates

- Candidate: hypothesis of how the device differs from model
 - Represented as a set of assumptions
 - Assumptions included: false
 - Assumptions not included: true

Candidate example: {M2, A2}

Meaning: M2, A2 are faulty
 M1, M3, A1 are correct

- Diagnosis: identify every candidate consistent with observations



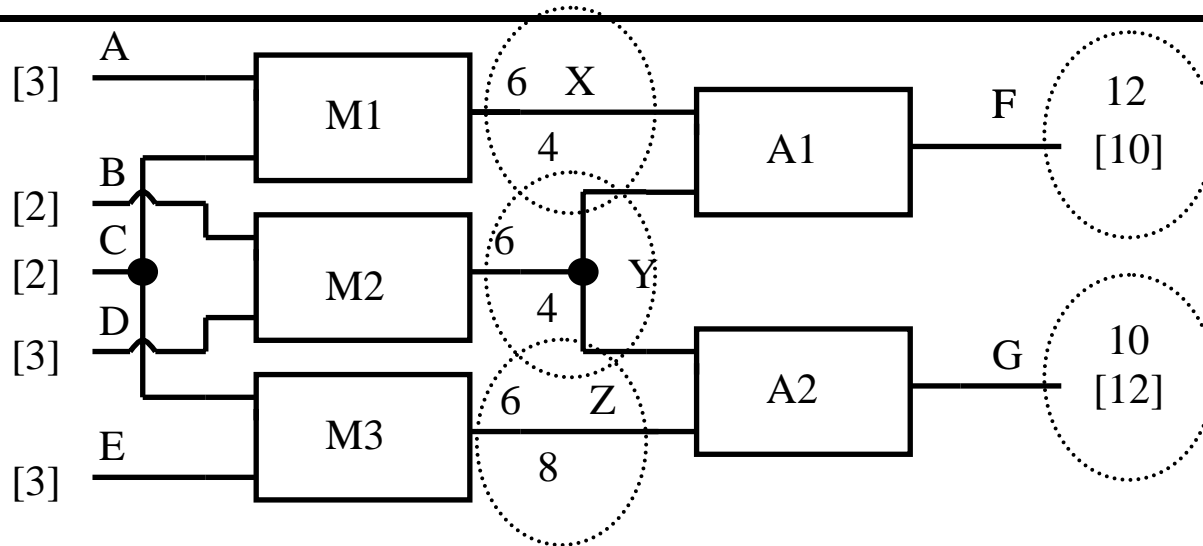
Candidate generation

- Each candidate has to account for all conflicts
- Each candidate has to retract at least one correctness assumption out of each conflict
- Construct candidates as Hitting Set of (minimal) conflicts
 - C_a candidate, C_i conflict, $C_a \cap C_i \neq \emptyset \forall C_i$
 - $\forall C_a, C_a \subset \cup_i C_i$

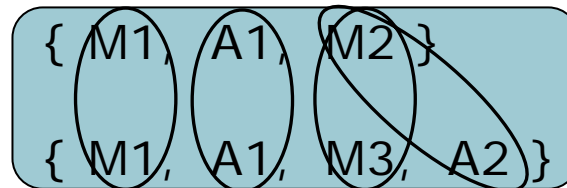
- Each superset of a candidate is also a candidate:

Minimal candidates: minimal hitting set of minimal conflicts

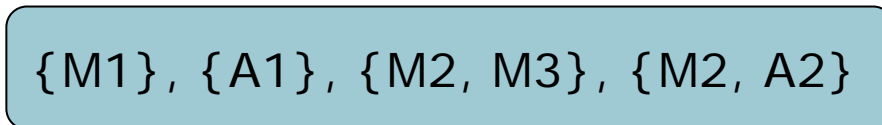
Candidate generation example



- Minimal conflicts



- Minimal candidates

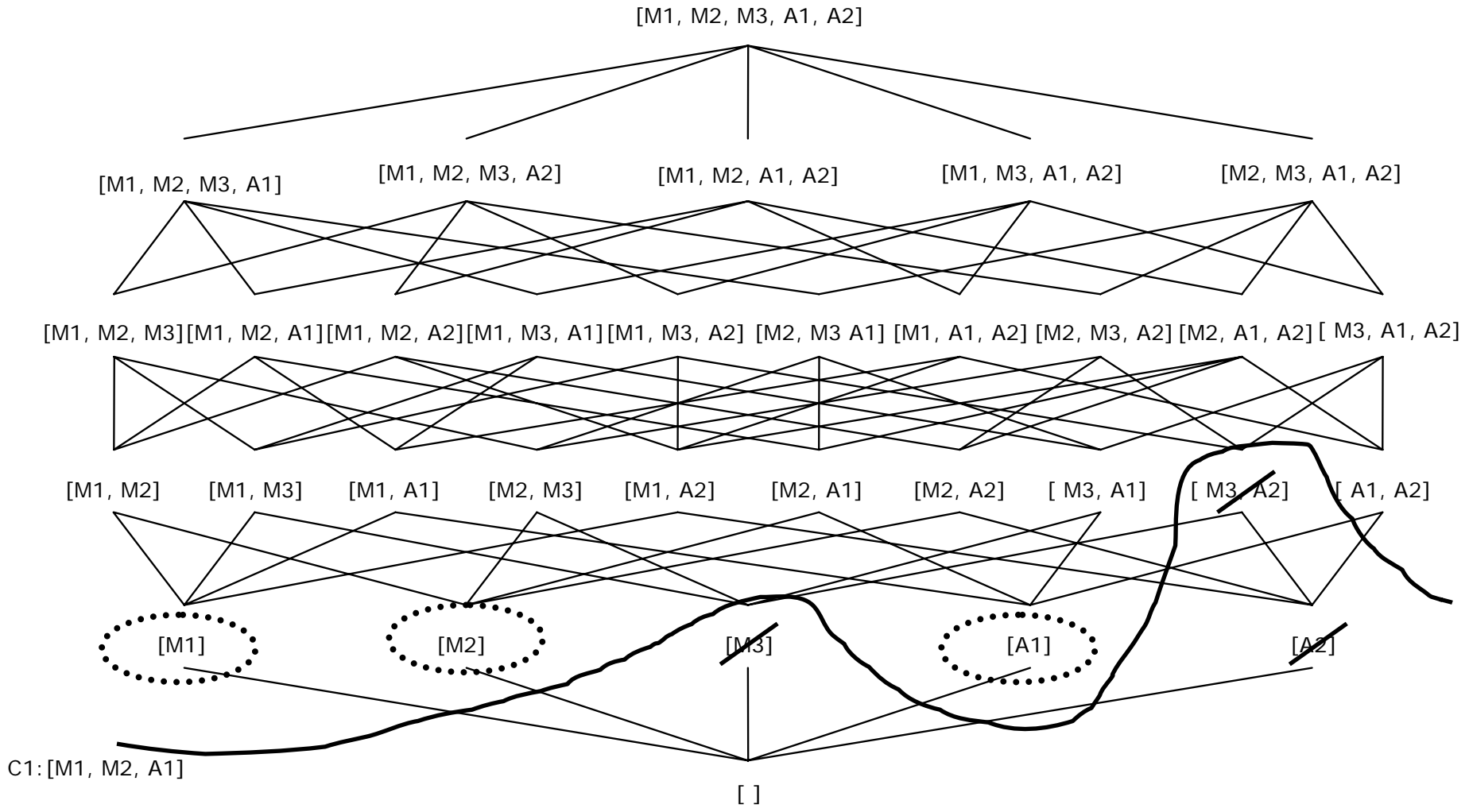




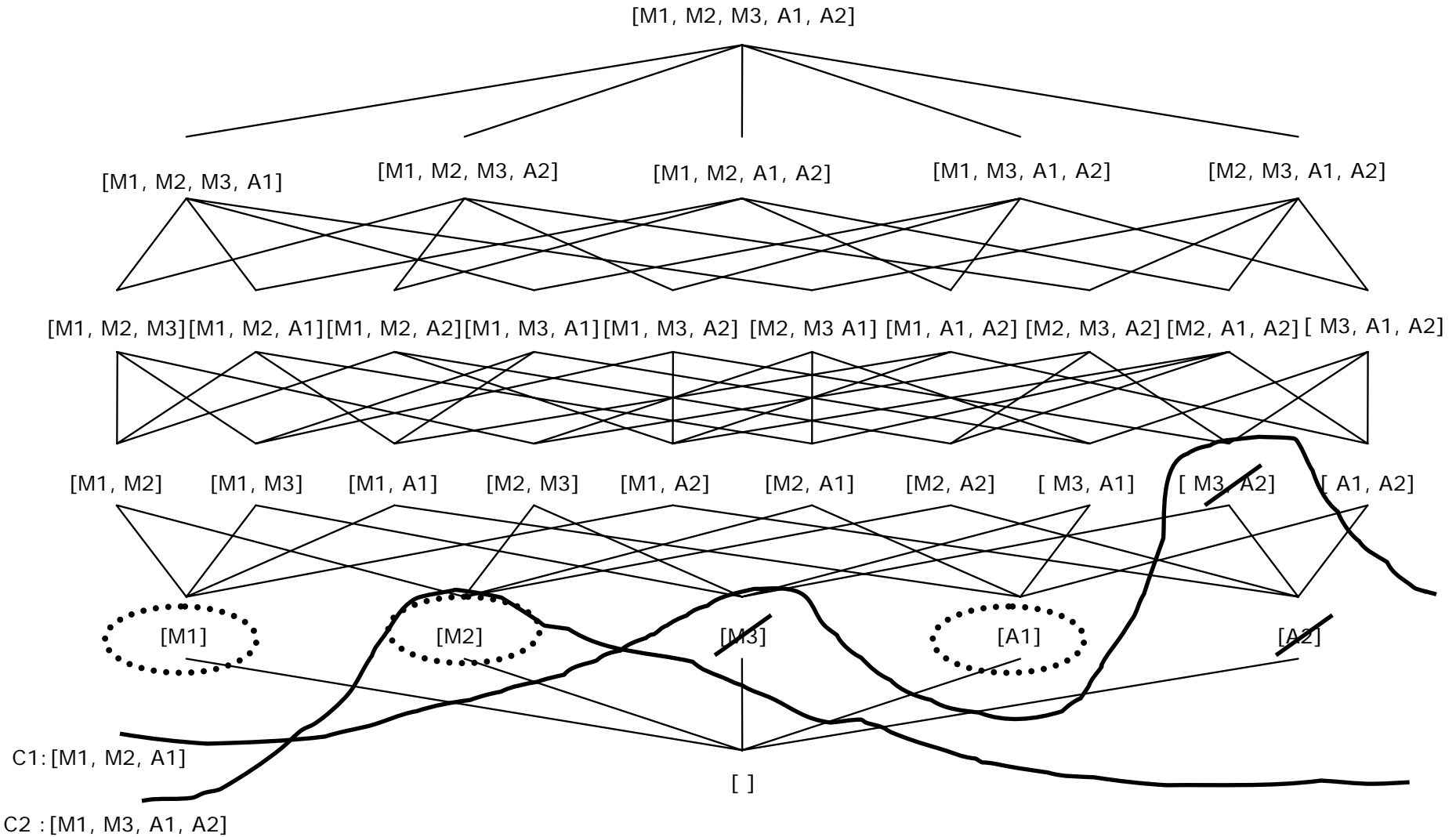
Conflict Directed Search

1. Let M be the set of putative minimal diagnoses, initially containing only $[\]$.
2. If no more minimal conflicts, the M is the set of minimal diagnoses
3. For every new minimal conflict C
 1. For every diagnosis D in M
 1. If D identifies one component in C as faulted, do nothing.
 2. Else remove D from M and add to M all D' which have some component of C faulted.
 2. Remove duplicates from M
4. Go to 2.

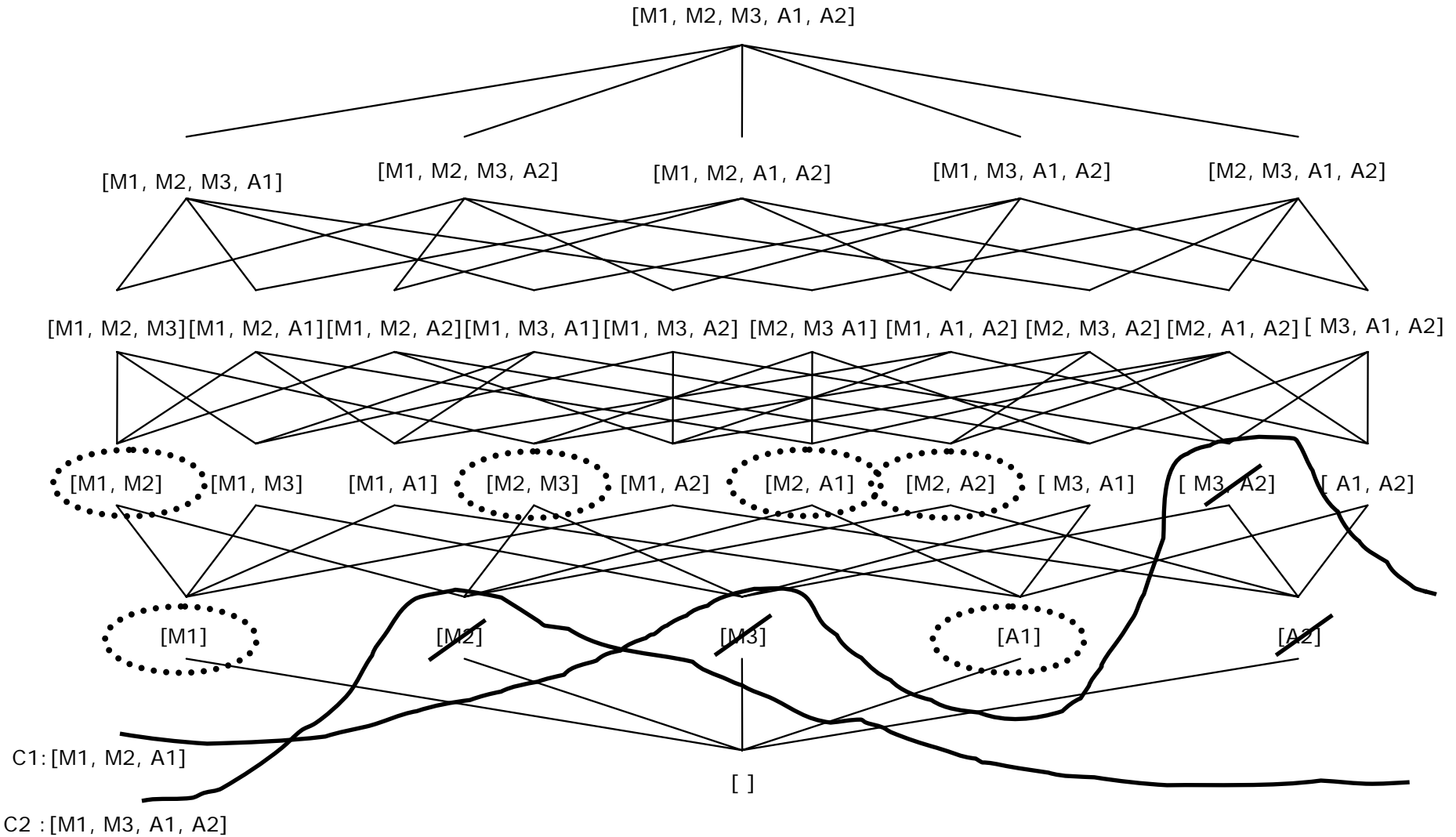
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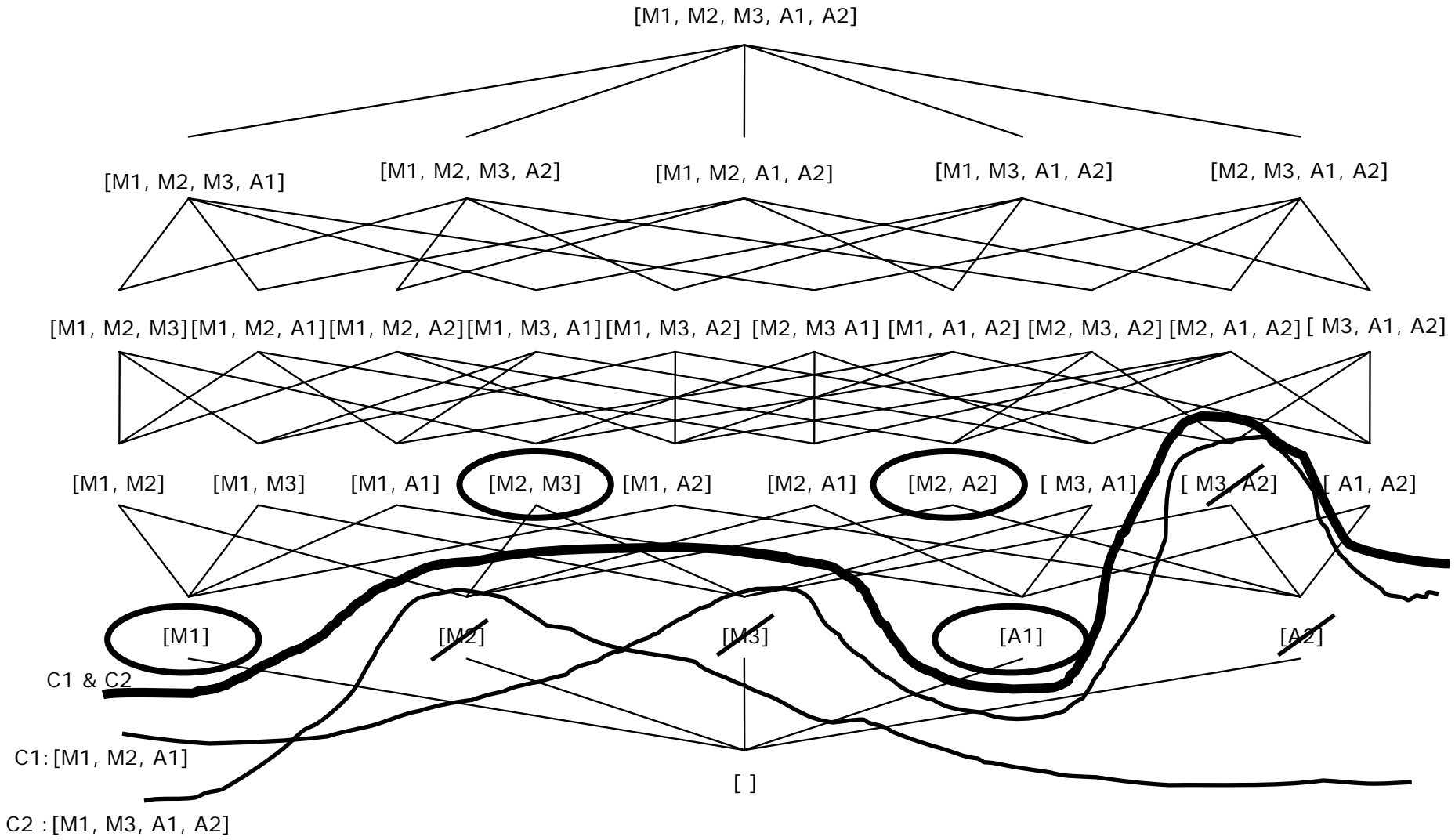
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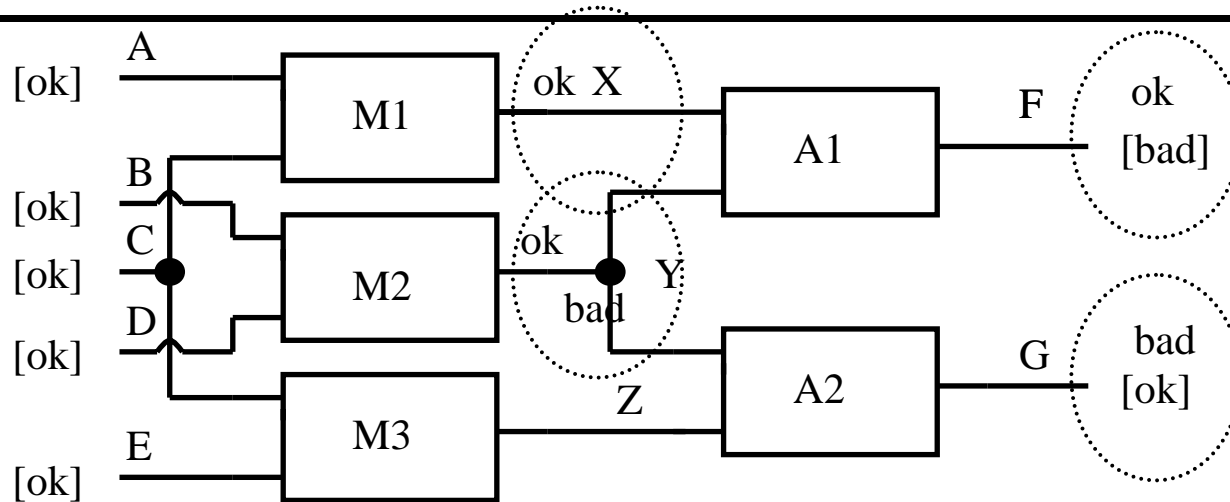
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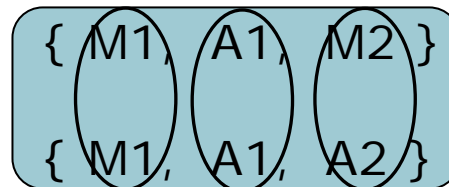
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Candidate generation abstract model



- Minimal conflicts



- Minimal candidates

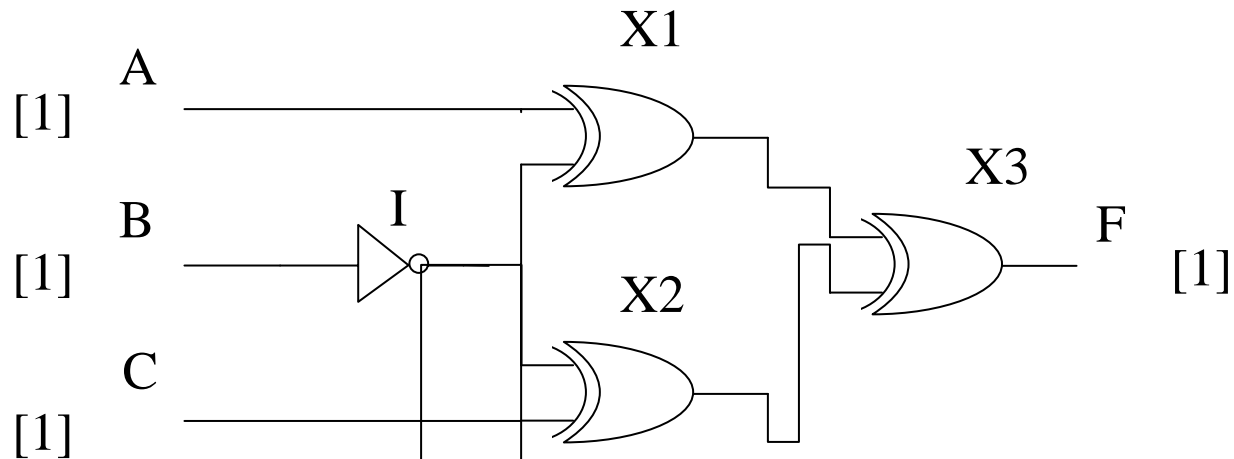
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Candidate generation: problems

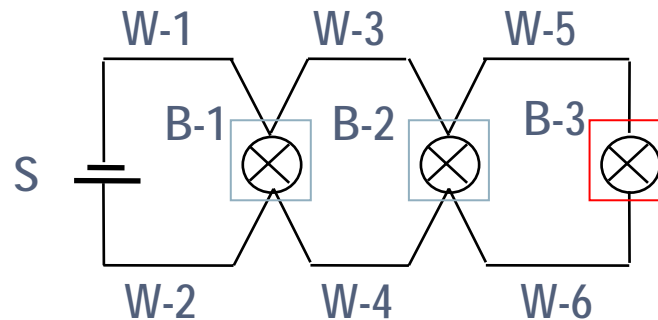
- Undetected symptoms
 - Insufficient observations
 - Imprecise
 - Not available
 - Insufficient models
 - Quantitative accuracy
 - Qualitative ambiguity
- Limitations of conflict generation
 - Inherent in the prediction algorithm
 - Inherent in the model

Conflict generation: limitations due to local propagation



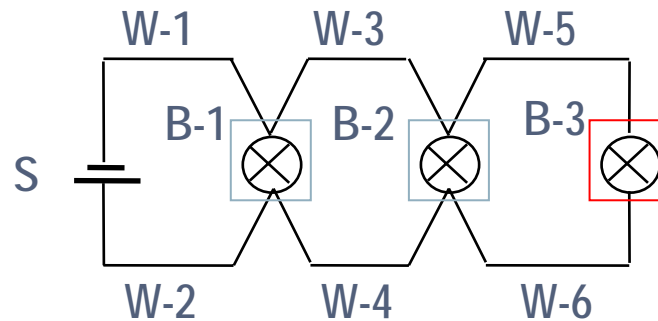
- Conflicts: $\{I, X1, X2, X3\}$
- Candidates: $\{I\}, \{X1\}, \{X2\}, \{X3\}$
- $\{I\}$ should not be a candidate
- $\{X1, X2, X3\}$ ought to be a conflict

Conflict generation: limitations due to the model (I)



- Observations: B1, B2 OFF, B3 ON
- Minimal conflicts
 - {S, W1, B1, W2}, {S, W1, W3, B2, W4, W2},
 - {B3, W5, B2, W6}, {B3, W5, W3, B1, W4, W6}
- 22 minimal candidates!
 - {B1, B2}, {S, B3}, {W1, W5} (?)

Conflict generation: limitations due to the model (II)



- Observations: B1, B2 OFF, B3 ON
- Candidate {S, B3}
 - Logically possible
 - Physically impossible
- Due to the absence of information about faulty behaviour (only models of correct behaviour)