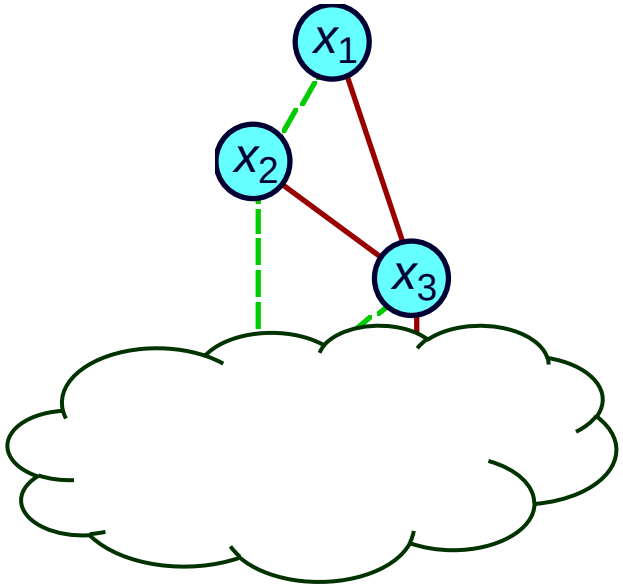

Cloud BDDs

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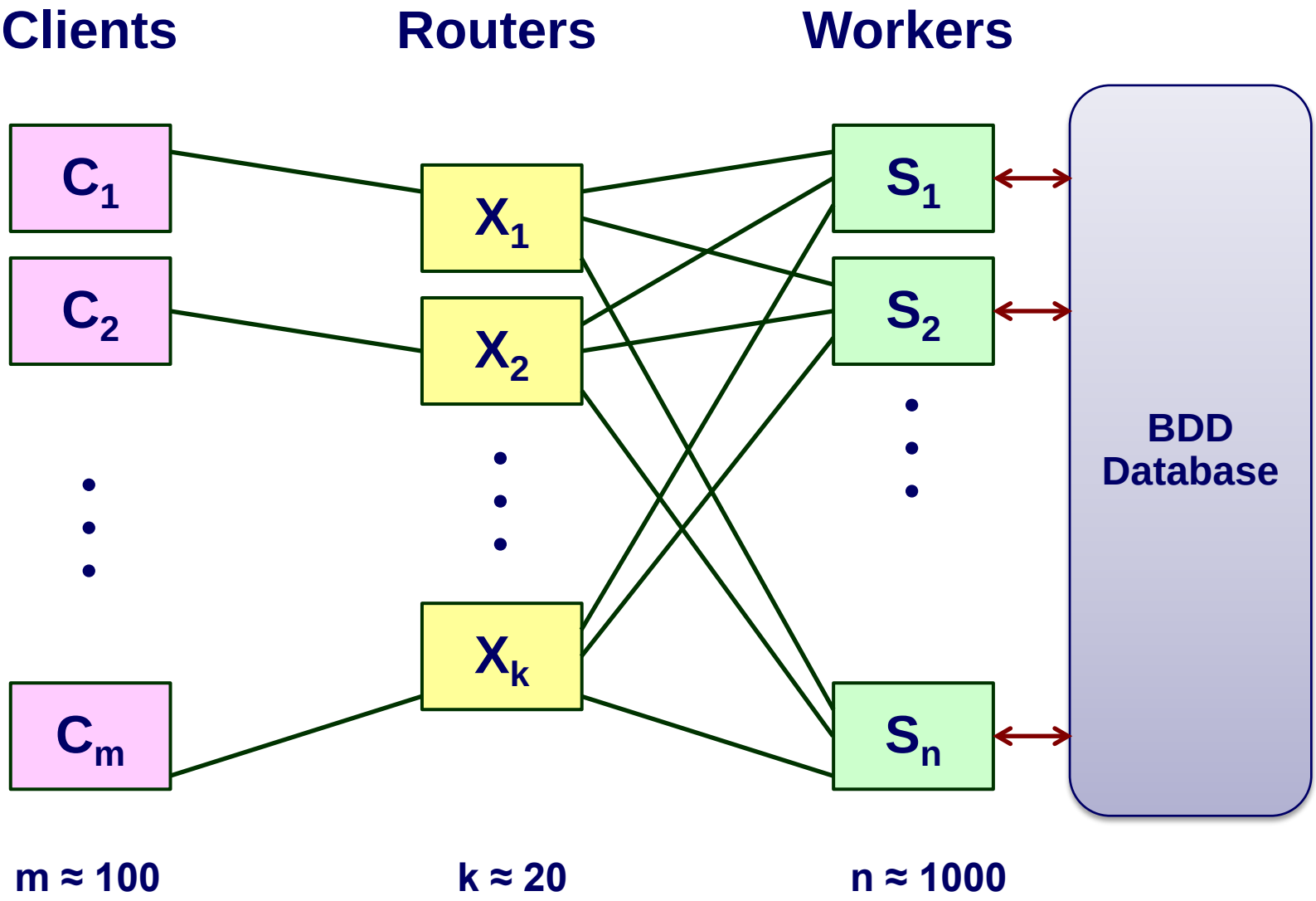
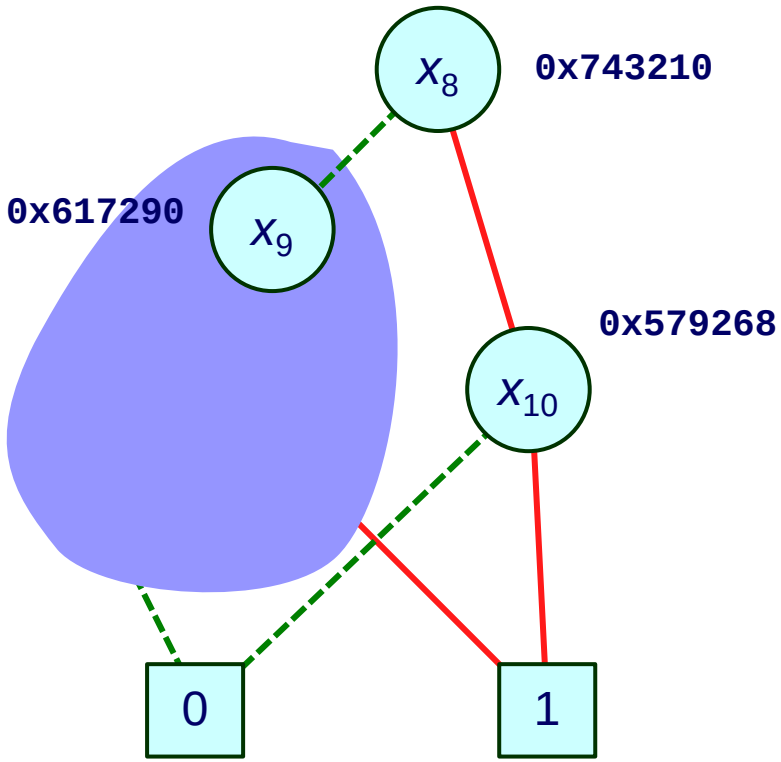
Proposed System Structure



Traditional BDD Representation

0x743210:

8	index
0x579268	Hptr
0x617290	Lptr

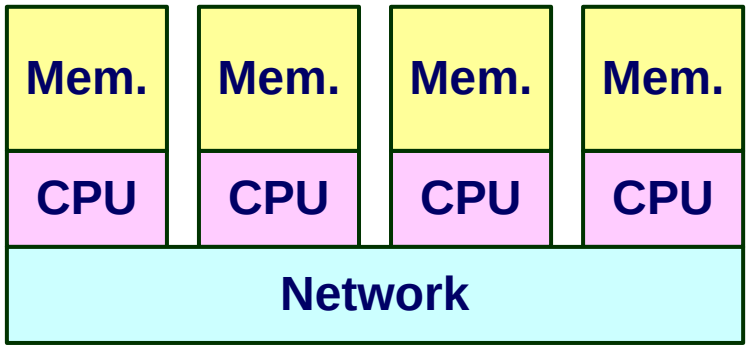


Based on Pointers

- Node represented by address
- Location of information about node

All data within single address space

Shared-Nothing Implementation



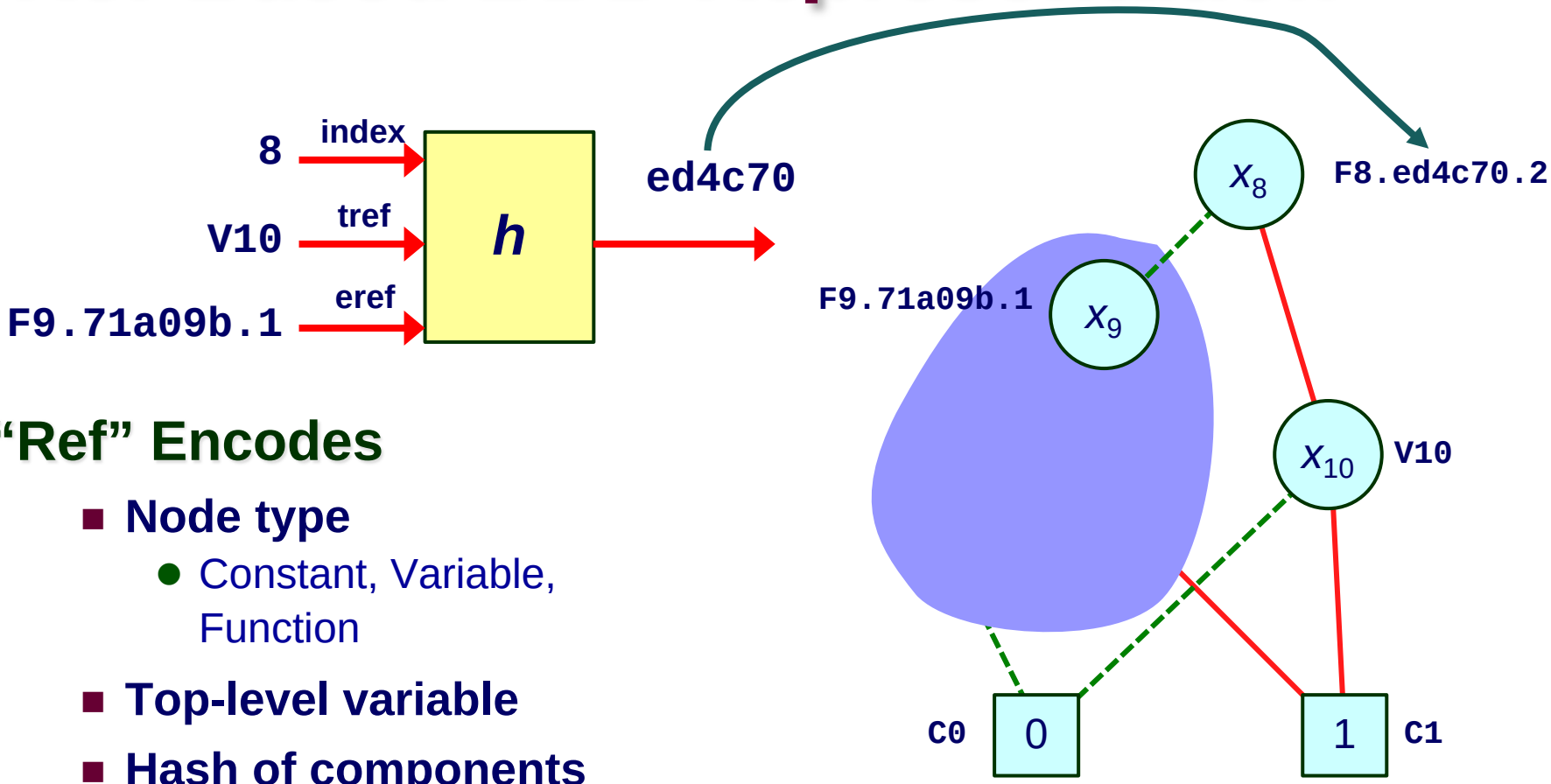
Only Way to Achieve True Scalability

- Large number of low-cost nodes
- Single resource shared by many users

Distribute Data Structures Across Processors

Must find alternative to pointer-based representation

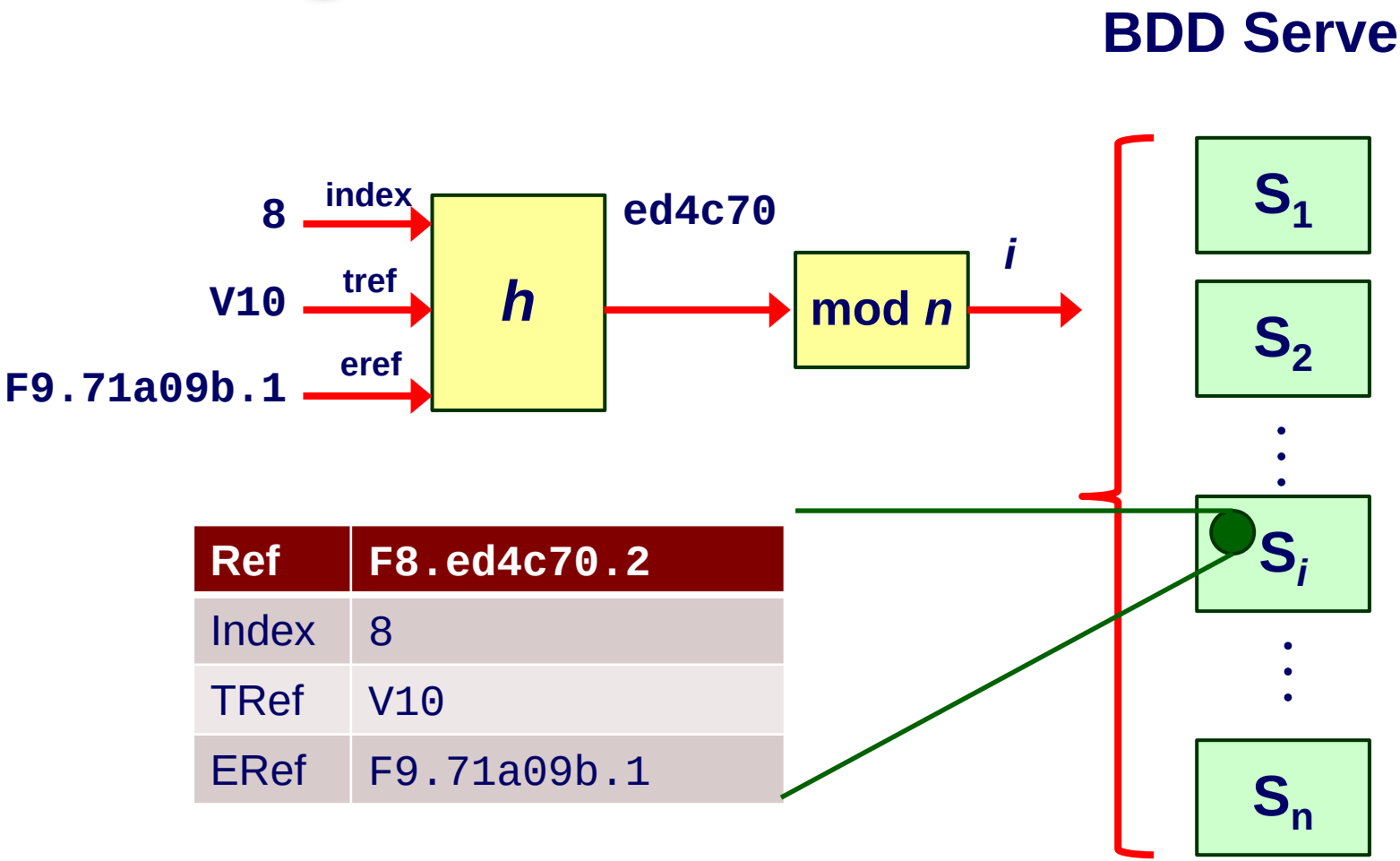
Ref-Based BDD Representation



"Ref" Encodes

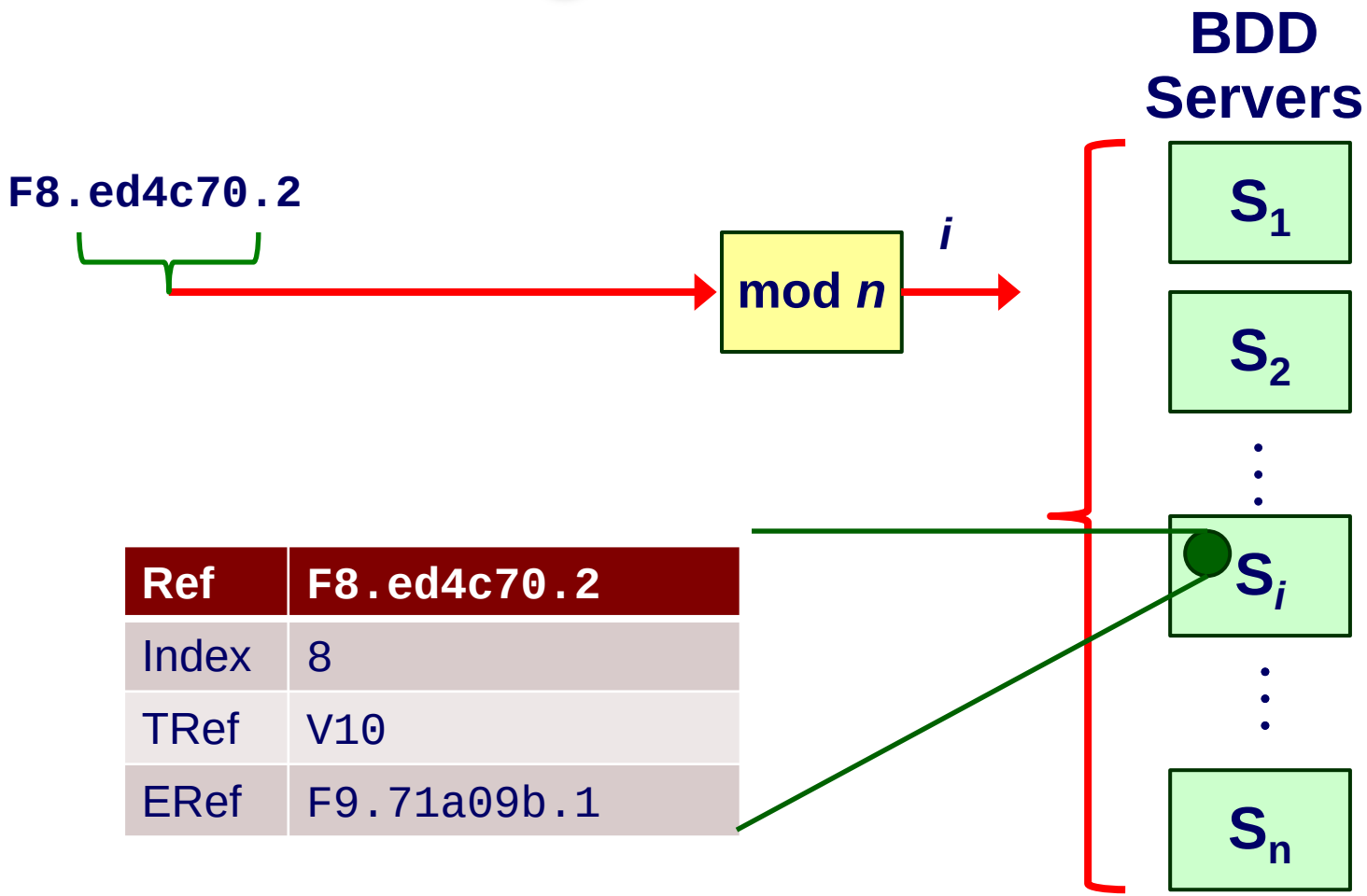
- **Node type**
  - Constant, Variable, Function
- **Top-level variable**
- **Hash of components**
- **Uniquifier**
  - To resolve hash collisions

Storing a Ref



- Entry describing node stored according to its hash signature
- Unique table distributed across workers according to hash

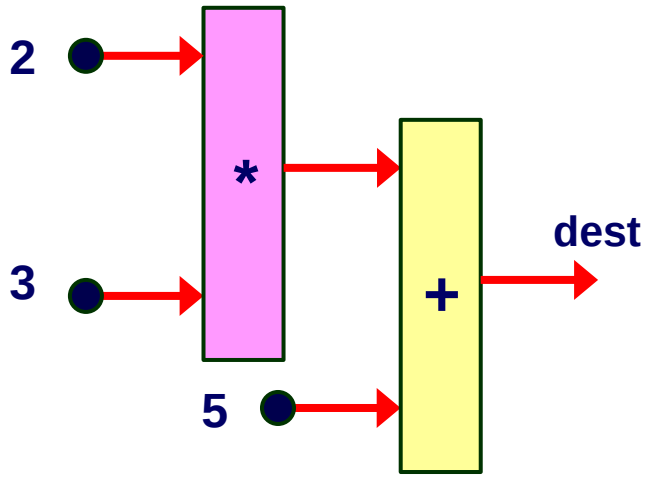
Dereferencing a Ref



Ref	F8.ed4c70.2
Index	8
TRef	V10
ERef	F9.71a09b.1

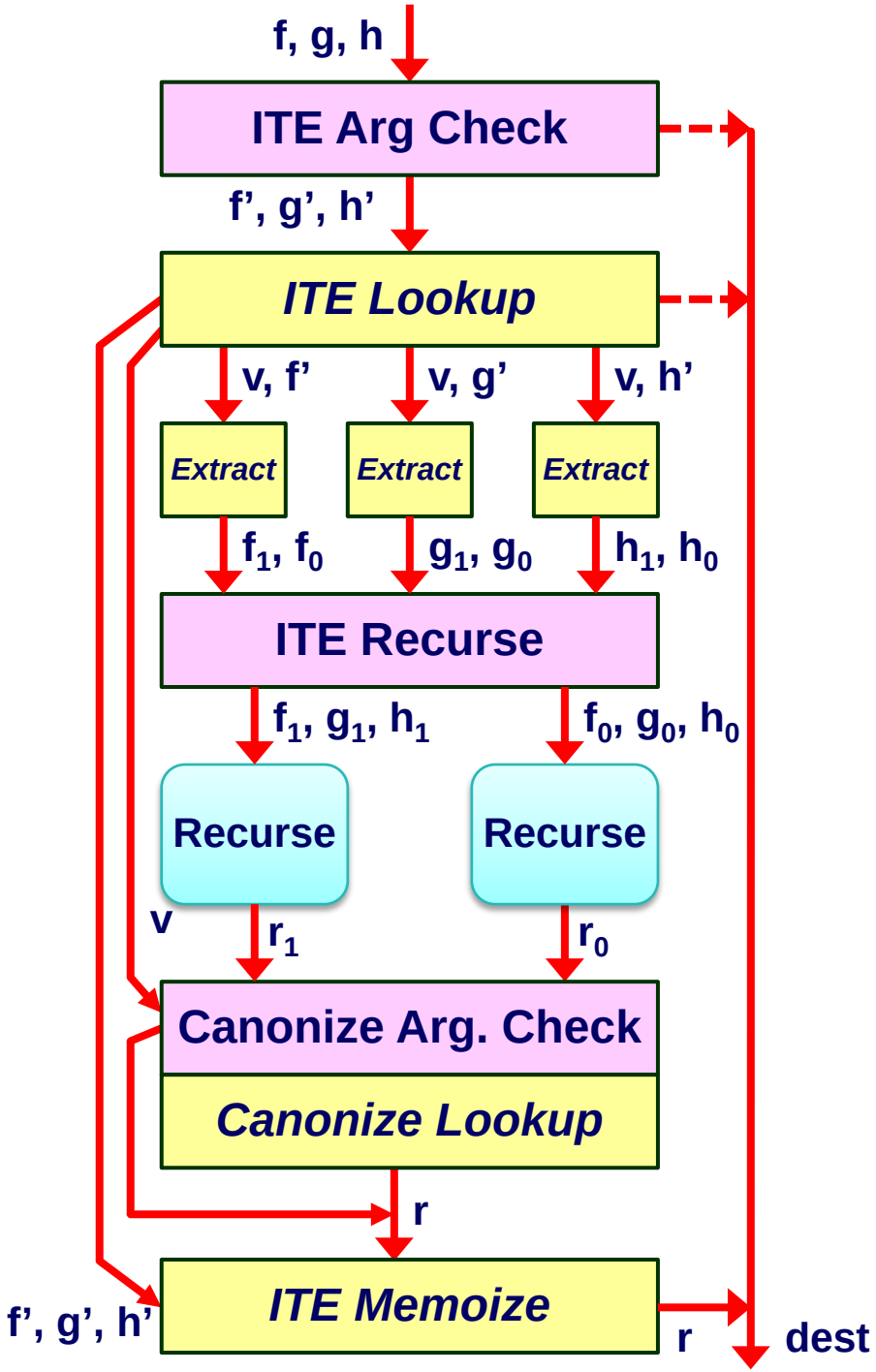
- Hash signature in Ref enables retrieval of components

Data Flow Execution Model



Concept

- **Computation expressed as dynamically generated network of *operators***
- **Operator has fixed number of operands + destination**
- **When all operands available, operator *fires***
  - Perform computation
  - Send one or more operands to other operators
  - Generate one or more operators
  - Disappear



Implementing ITE

Hashed placement

Arbitrary placement

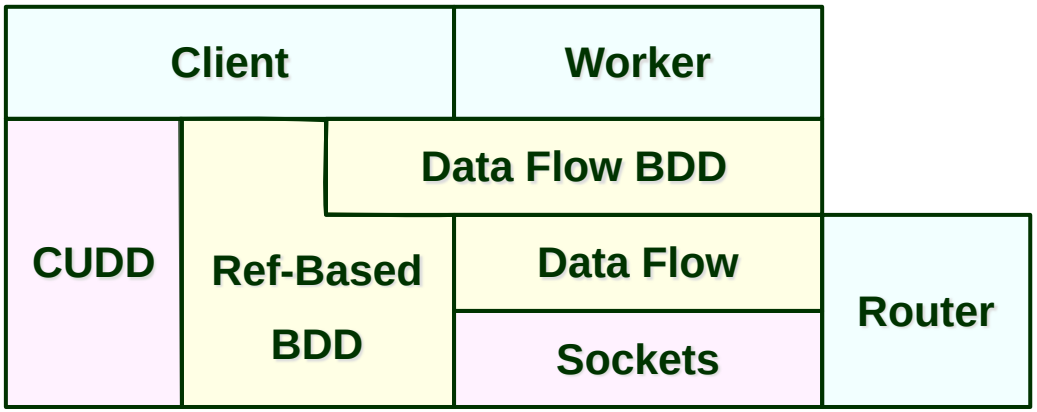
Request

- Compute $(f \wedge g) \vee (\neg f \wedge h)$
- Send result r to dest

Outcomes

- Early termination if special case or result found in memo table
- Otherwise, up to 9 operations + 2 recursive calls

Implementation



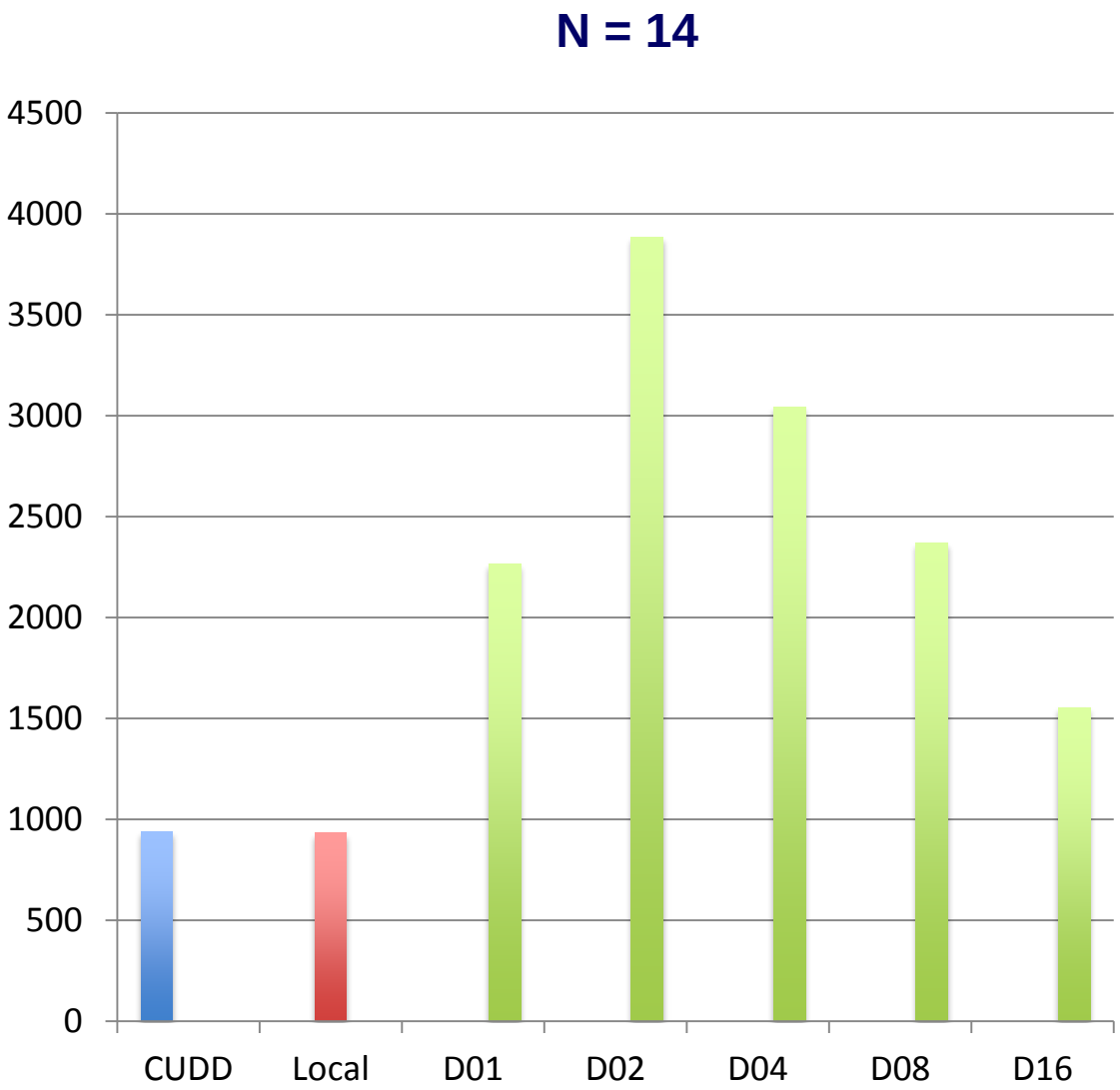
Data Flow BDD combination of:

- **General-purpose data flow on top of sockets interface**
- **Ref-based BDD**
  - Can also execute with standard, depth-first traversal

Client Interface

- **Any combination of data flow, sequential, CUDD**
  - Isomorphic results
  - For testing and performance comparison

Some Results



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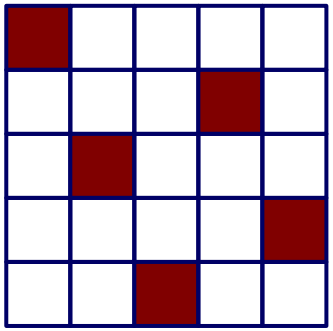
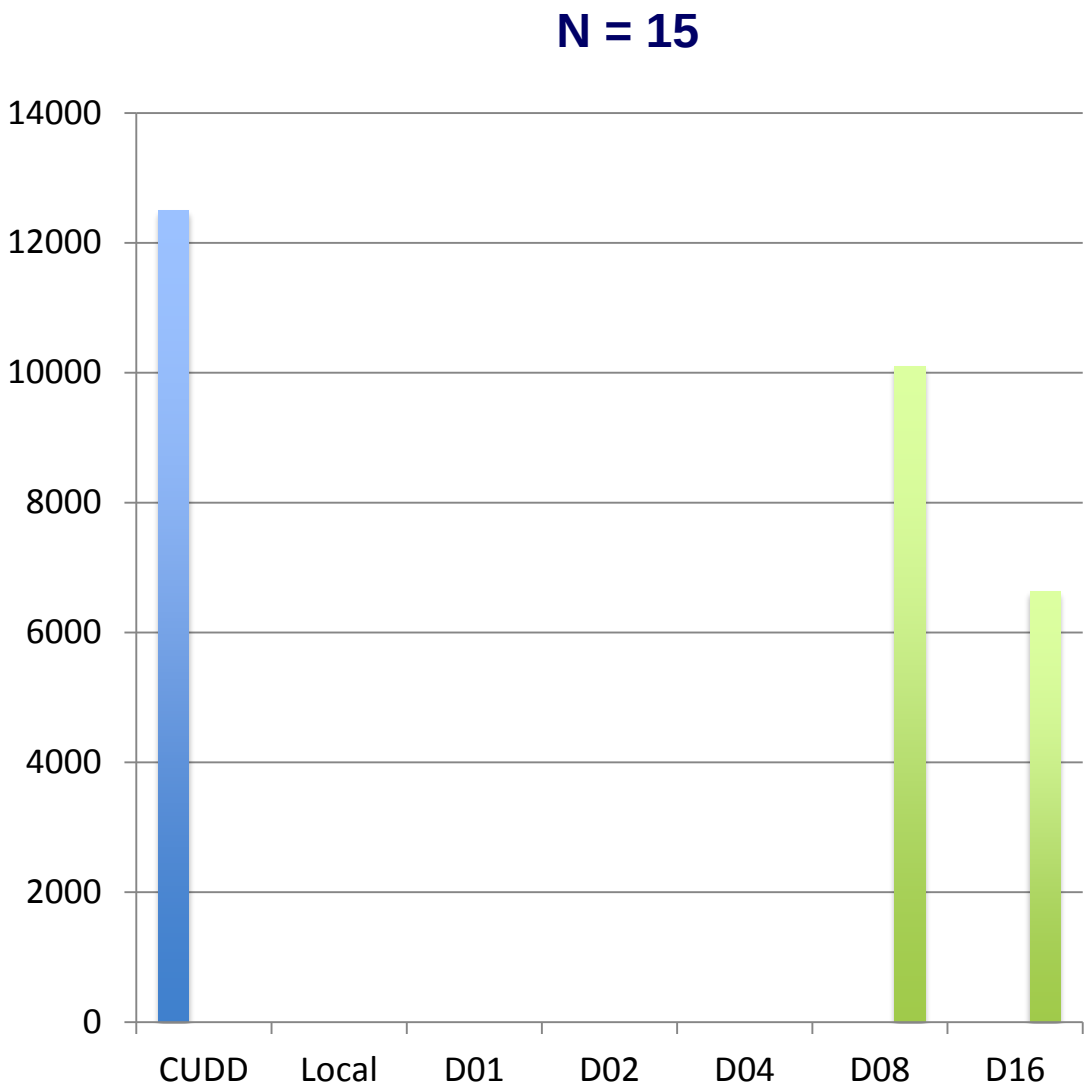


- With help from Hemanth Kini
- Boolean function representing all legal configurations
- Peak nodes = 23M
- Total ITEs = 233M
- Total OPs = 837M

More Results



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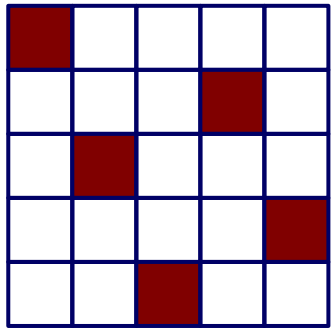

- Require 8 processors to have enough memory
- Peak nodes = 95M
- Total ITEs = 1.1B
- Total OPs = 3.9B

Implications

For BDDs

- **Scale to much larger sizes**
- **Allow sharing across multiple runs and users**
  - View as dynamically constructed, distributed database

For Parallel Computation

- **Execution model to support dynamic graph algorithms**
- **Combines data flow + distributed hash table**
  - Actions triggered by message passing
  - Locate objects by hash function
- **Features**
  - Overcome latency with high throughput
  - Scalable to arbitrary number of processors