







If root  $u$  is in  $Q_{n-1}^1$ , for  $i=1$  to  $n-1$ , we let  $W_i = \{1u_{n-1}u_{n-2}\dots\bar{u}_i x_{i-1} x_{i-2} \dots x_0 \in V(Q_{n-1}^1)\}$ . Otherwise, we let  $W_i = \{0u_{n-1}u_{n-2}\dots\bar{u}_i x_{i-1} x_{i-2} \dots x_0 \in V(M_{n-1}^0)\}$ . It is easy to construct ISTs  $T_{A,1}$ ,  $T_{A,2}$ , and  $T_{A,3}$  rooted at 1 in  $M_3^0$ . By Algorithm XIST, we can obtain  $T_{B,1}$ ,  $T_{B,2}$ , and  $T_{B,3}$  rooted at node 9 in  $Q_3^1$ . Fig. 3(a) shows how to construct four ISTs  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ ,  $T_3$ , and  $T_4$  rooted at node 1 or 9 in  $HMH_4$  based on three ISTs  $T_{A,1}$ ,  $T_{A,2}$ , and  $T_{A,3}$  rooted at node 1 in  $M_3^0$ , three ISTs  $T_{B,1}$ ,  $T_{B,2}$ , and  $T_{B,3}$  rooted at node 9 in  $Q_3^1$ , and an ENSP  $\{\{0\},\{2,3\},\{4,5,6,7\},\{1\}\}$  on  $M_3^0$ . Fig. 3(b) illustrates the forward direction example which shows the four ISTs rooted at 1. Similarly, the four ISTs rooted at 9 with the backward direction are shown in Fig. 3(c).

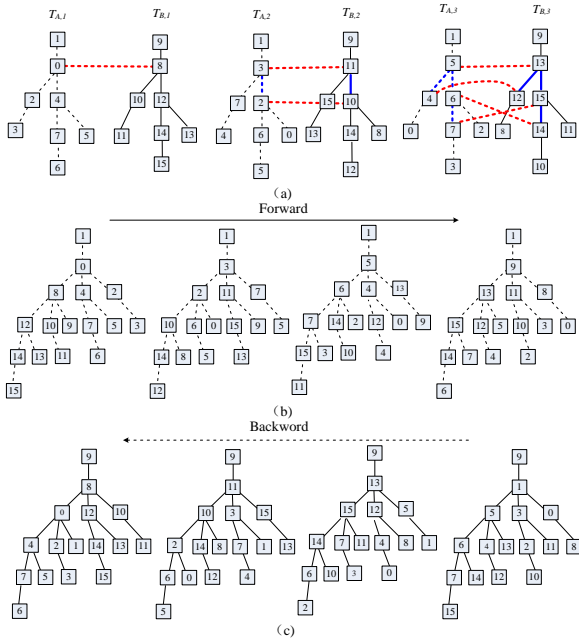


Fig. 3 Construction procedures of ISTs in  $HMH_4$ .

Based Definition 5 and the above discussion, we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.**  $HMH_n \in \Gamma_n$ .

Based on Lemma 2, Lemma 3, and the above discussion, we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.**  $\Gamma_n \supseteq \{HMH_n, Q_n, LTQ_n, TQ_n, CQ_n, MQ_n, HCH_n\}$ .

## V. Conclusions

In this paper, we have proposed a more general approach to construct  $n$  ISTs in a family of hypercube variants—

conditional BC networks, which not only include the existing hypercube variants such as  $Q_n$ ,  $LTQ_n$ ,  $TQ_n$ ,  $CQ_n$ ,  $MQ_n$ ,  $HCH_n$ , but also include some other ones such as  $HMH_n$ .

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