

Artificial Intelligence

CS 165A

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- Factorization and conditional independence
- Bayesian Network Examples
- Conditional Independence

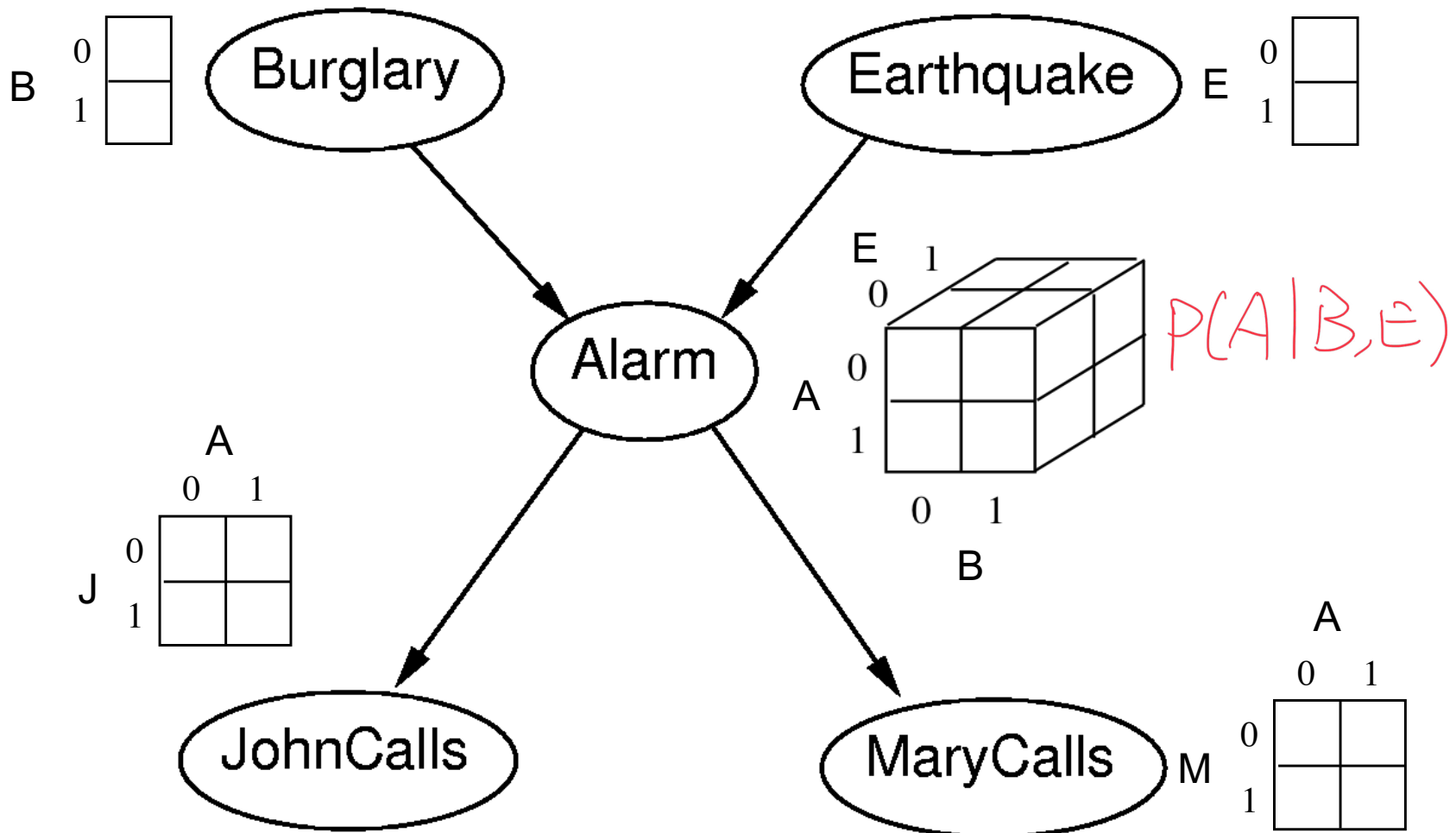
Recap: Example: Modelling with Belief Net

I'm at work and my neighbor John called to say my home alarm is ringing, but my neighbor Mary didn't call. The alarm is sometimes triggered by minor earthquakes. Was there a burglar at my house?

- Random (boolean) variables:
 - JohnCalls, MaryCalls, Earthquake, Burglar, Alarm
- The belief net shows the causal links
- This defines the joint probability
 - $P(\text{JohnCalls}, \text{MaryCalls}, \text{Earthquake}, \text{Burglar}, \text{Alarm})$
- What do we want to know?

$$P(\mathbf{B} \mid \mathbf{J}, \neg \mathbf{M})$$

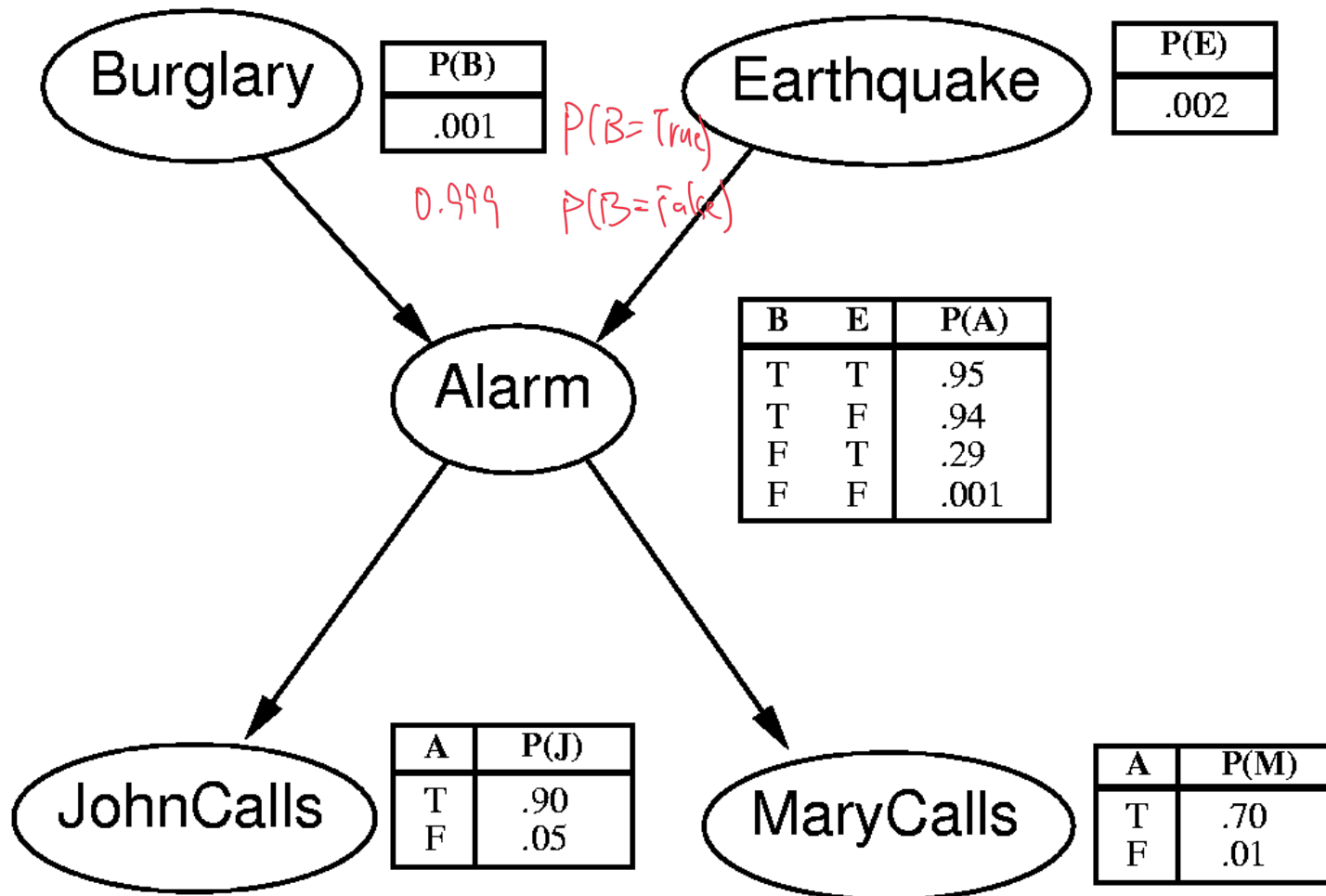

Recap: What are the CPTs? What are their dimensions?



Question: How to fill values into these CPTs?

Ans: Specify by hands. Learn from data (e.g., MLE).

Recap: Example



Joint probability? $P(J, \neg M, A, B, \neg E)$?

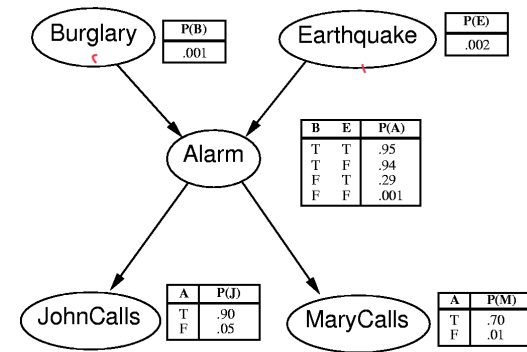
This lecture

- Continue with the above example
 - Probabilistic inference via marginalization
- Conditional independence
- Reading off Conditional Independences from a Bayesian Network
 - d-separation
 - Bayes Ball algorithm
 - Markov Blanket

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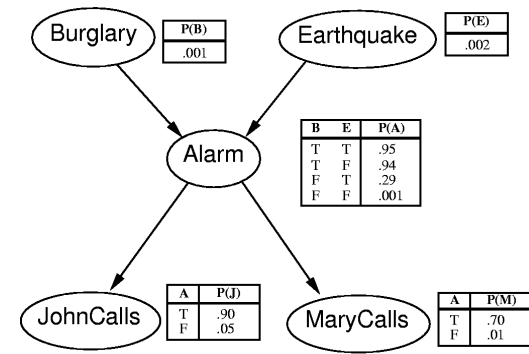
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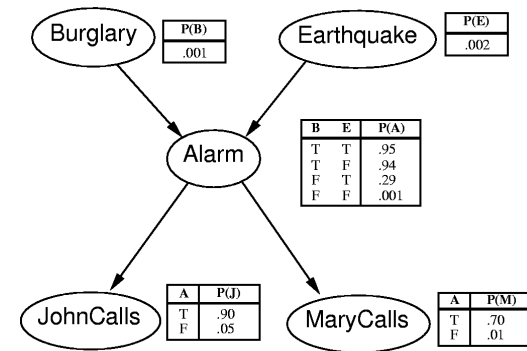
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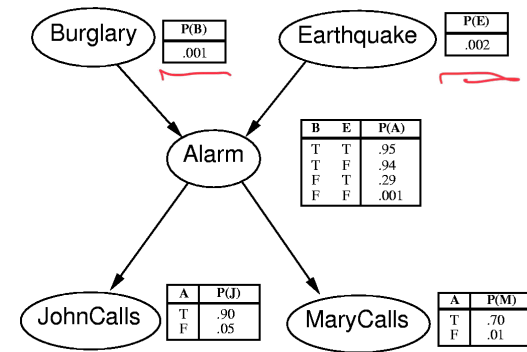
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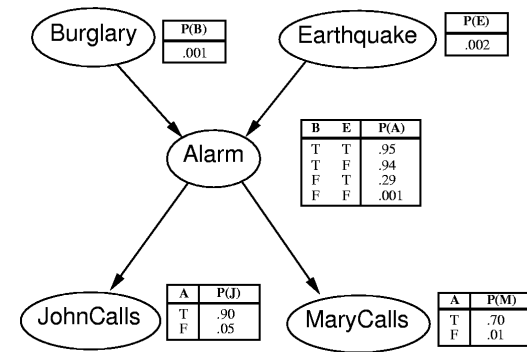
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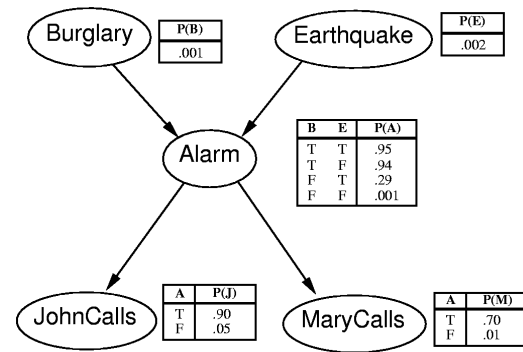
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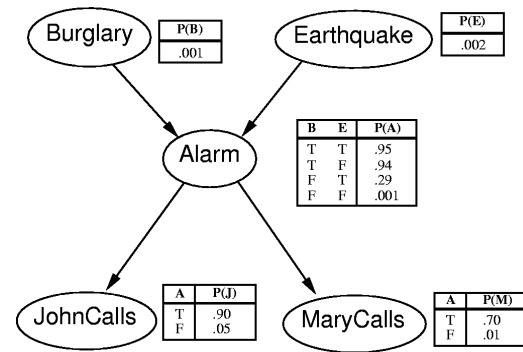
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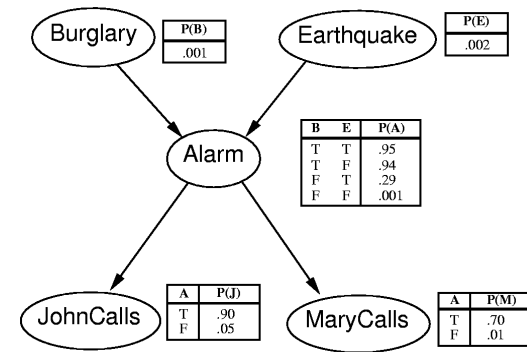
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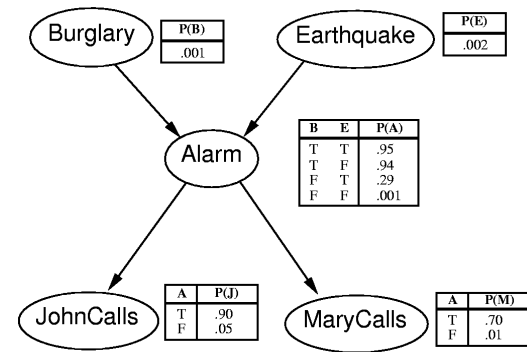
Remember, this means $P(B=\text{true} | J=\text{true}, M=\text{false})$

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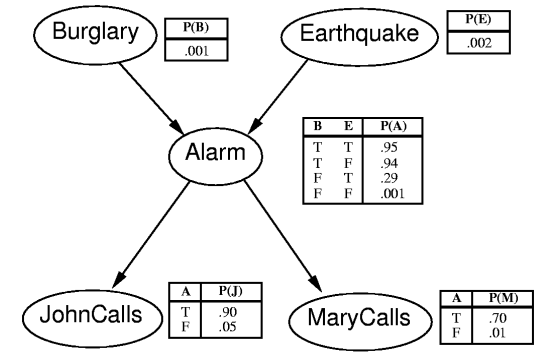
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By marginalization:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_i \sum_j P(J, \neg M, A_i, B, E_j) \leftarrow 2^5 - 1 \\
 = & \frac{\sum_i \sum_j \sum_k P(J, \neg M, A_i, B_j, E_k)}{\sum_i \sum_j \sum_k P(B_j)P(E_k)P(A_i | B_j, E_k)P(J | A_i)P(\neg M | A_i)} \\
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Variable elimination algorithm



$$\begin{aligned}
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Numerator = $P(B) \sum_j P(J | A_i) P(\neg M | A_i) \sum_j P(E_j) \cdot P(A_i | B, E_j)$

$= P(B) \sum_j P(J | A_i) P(\neg M | A_i) P(A_i | B)$

$= P(B) \sum_j P(J, \neg M, A_i | B)$

$= P(B) \cdot P(J, \neg M | B) = P(B, J, \neg M)$

$$\sum_j P(A_i, E_j | B) = P(A_i | B)$$

*Exchange the order of summation and product

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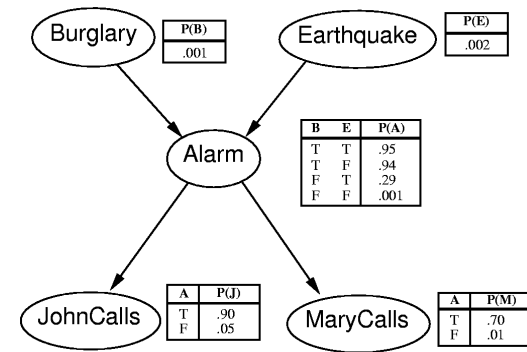
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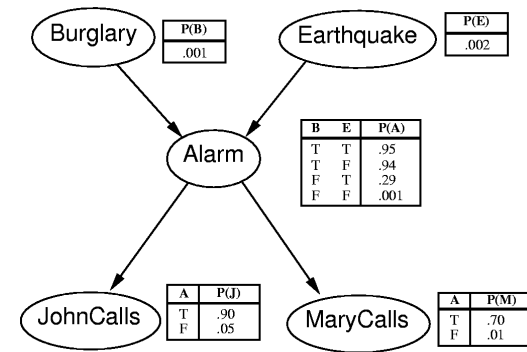
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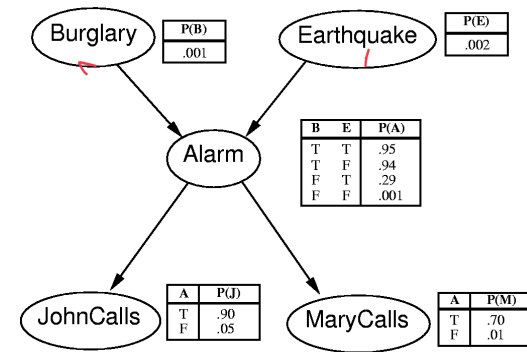
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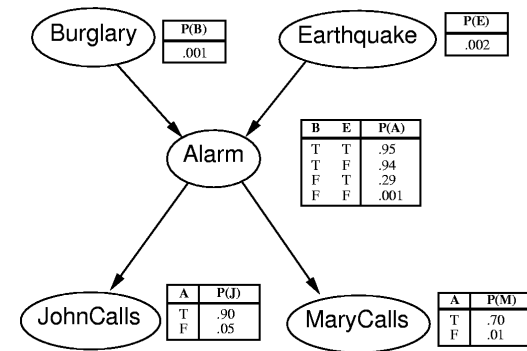
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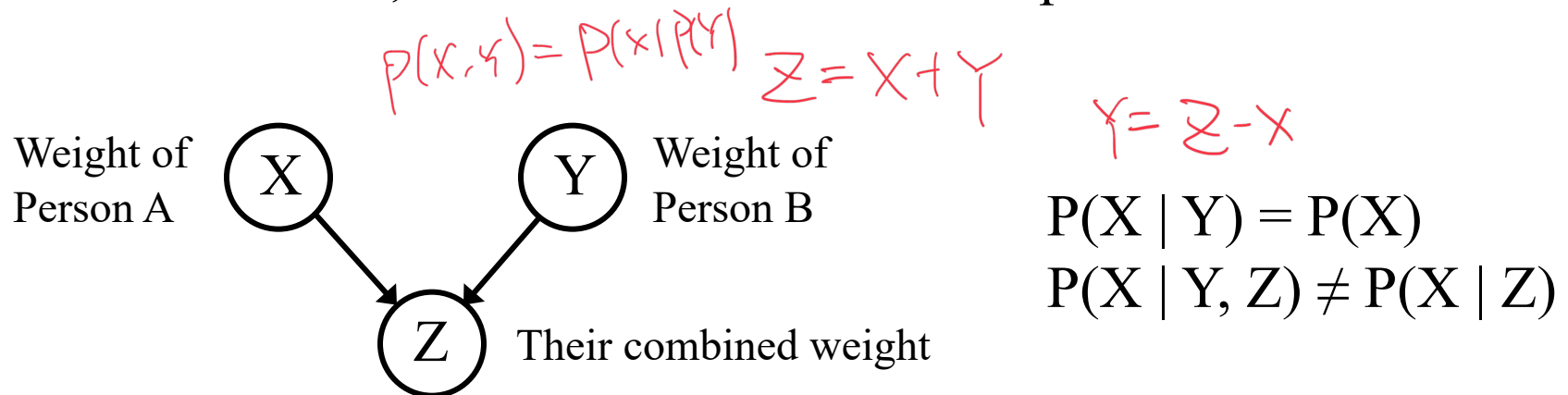
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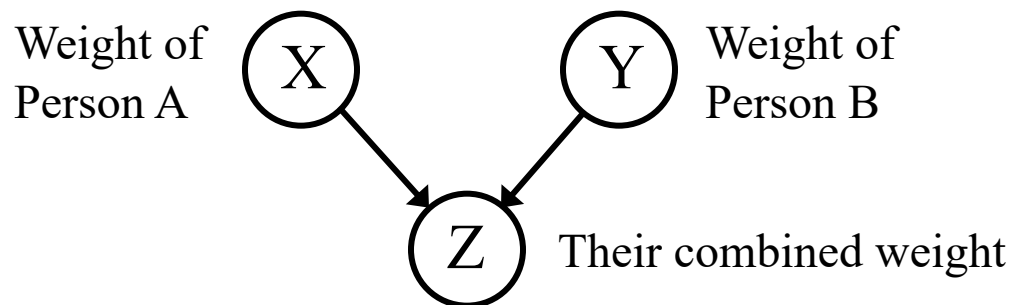
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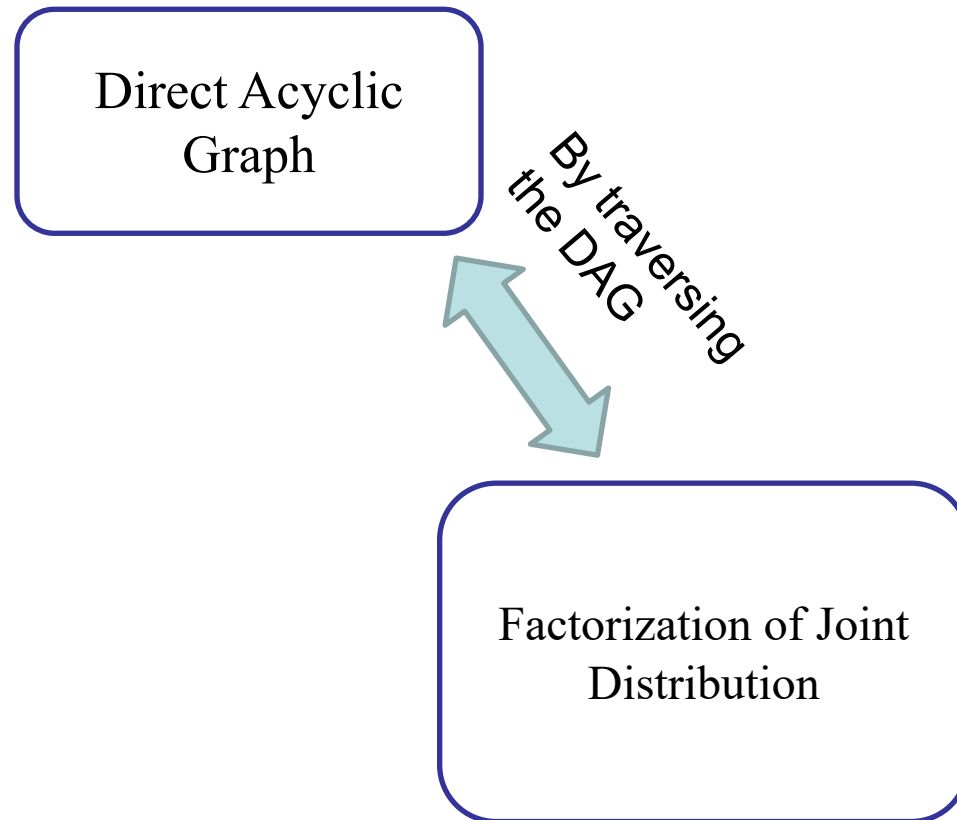
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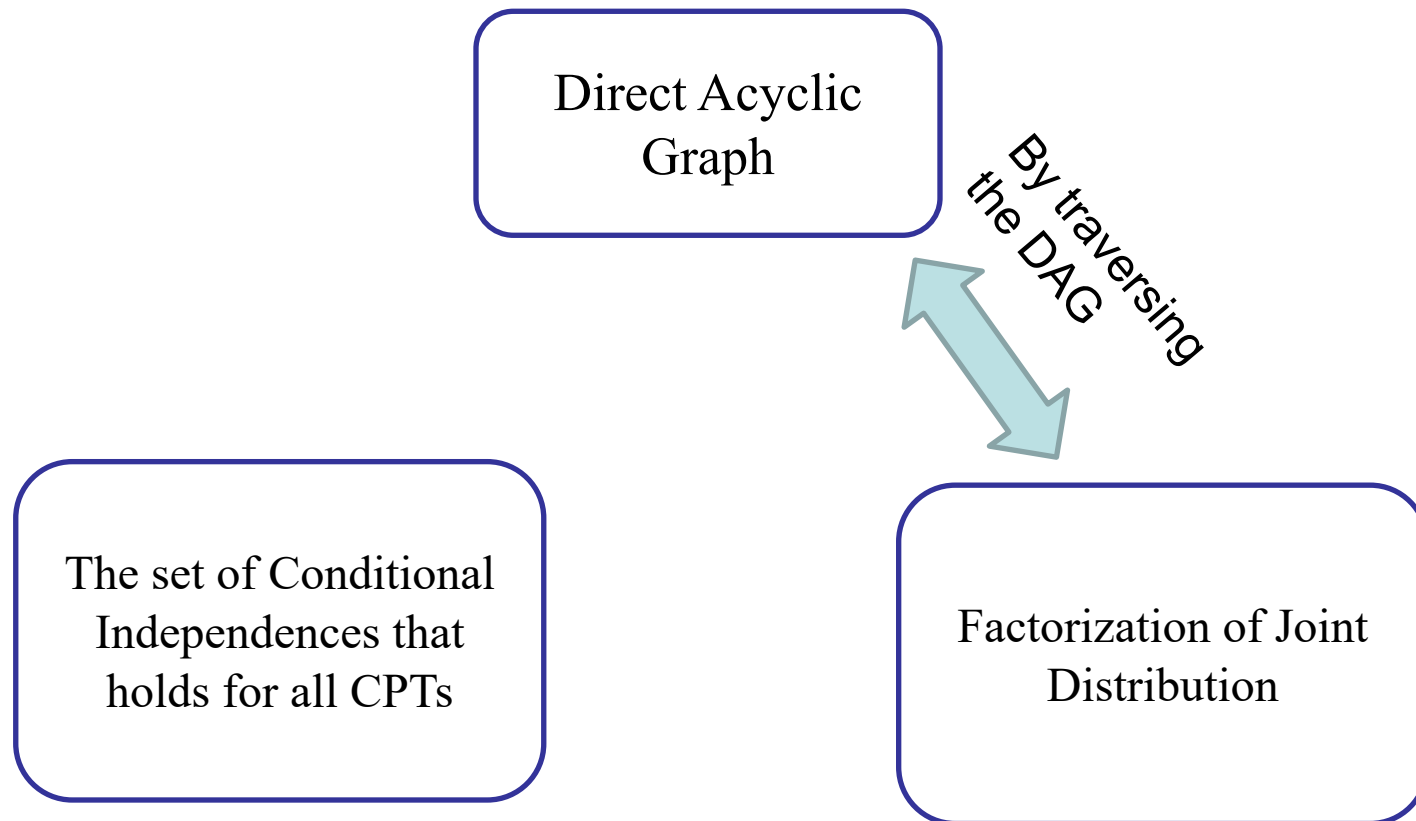
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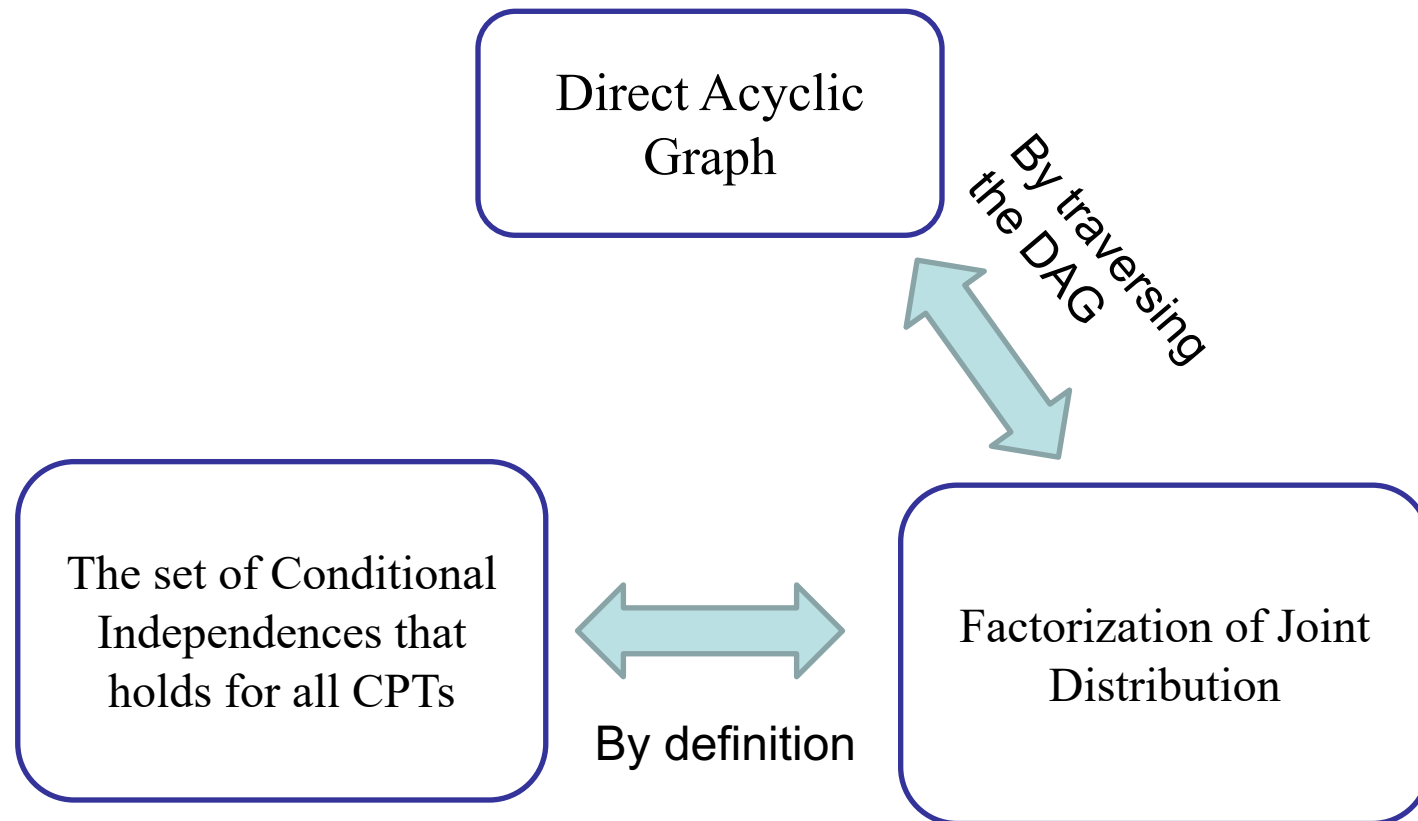
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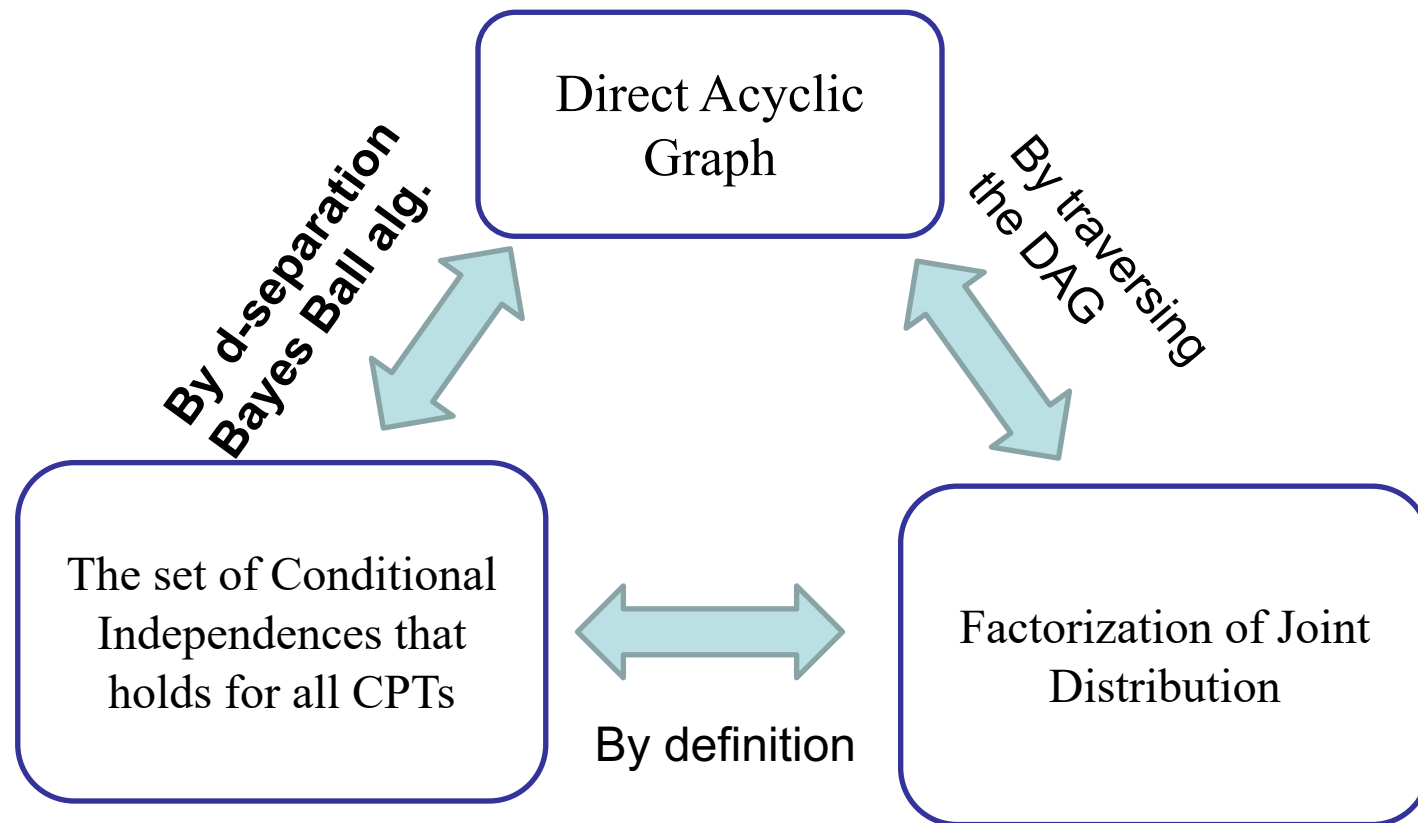
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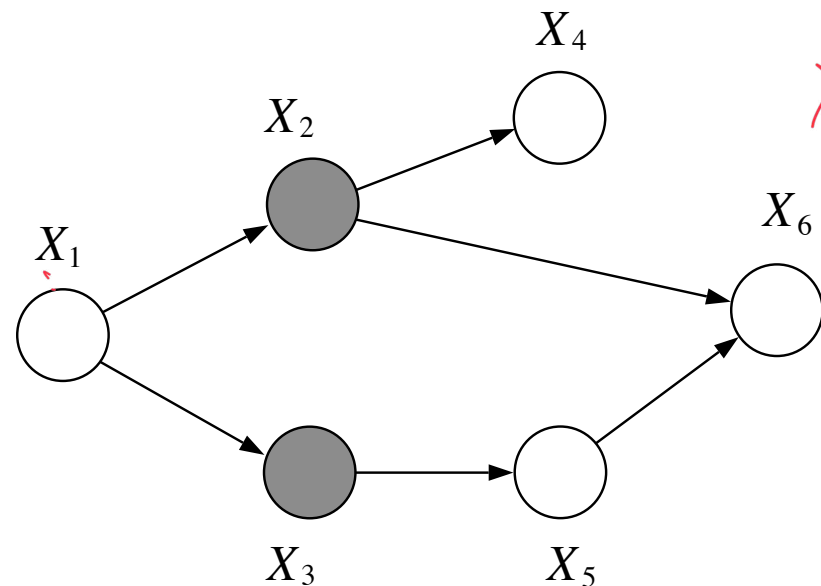


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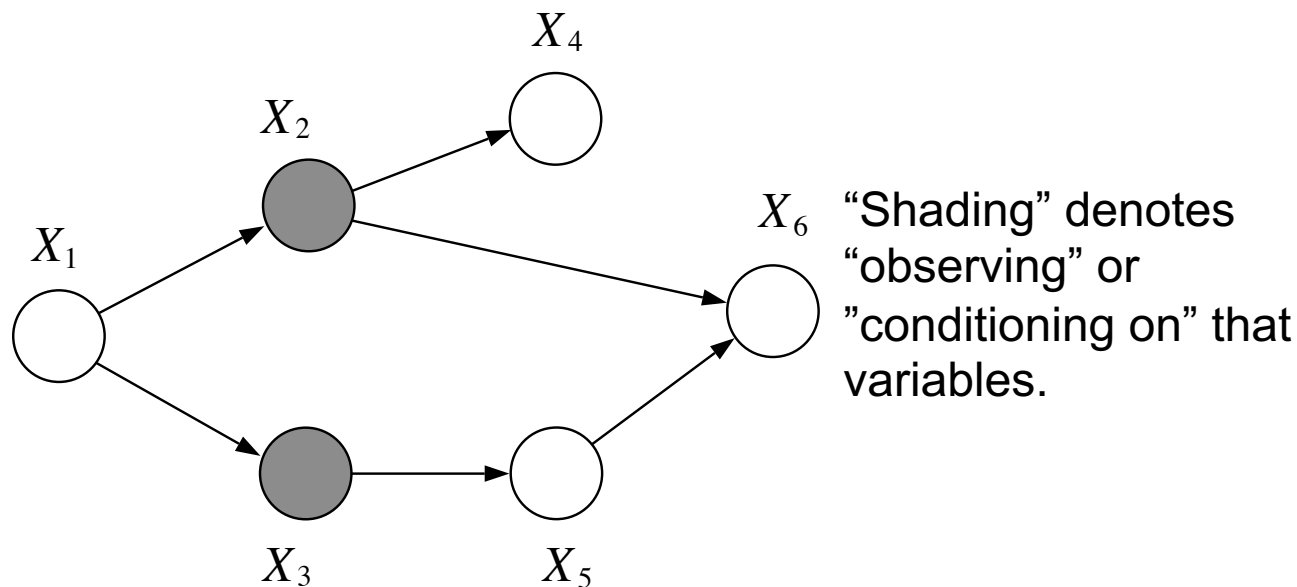
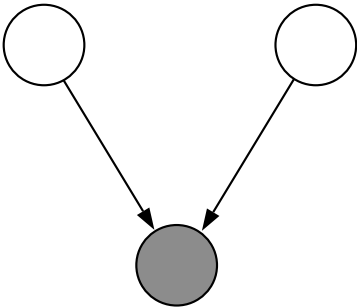
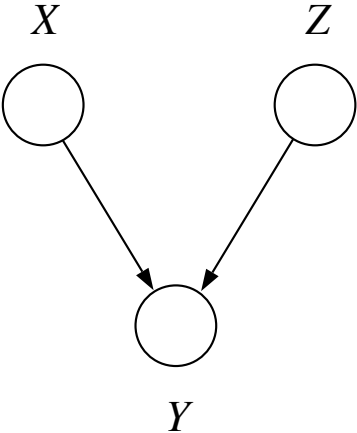
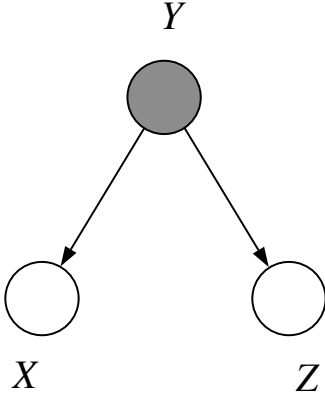
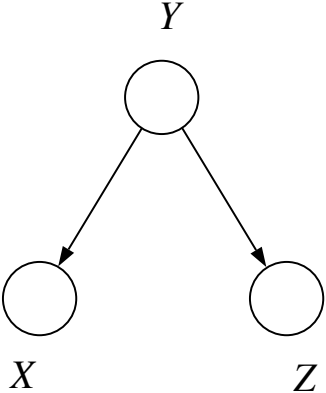
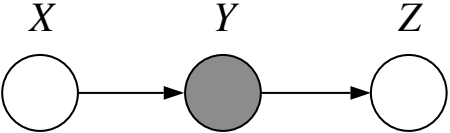
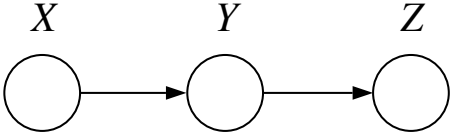
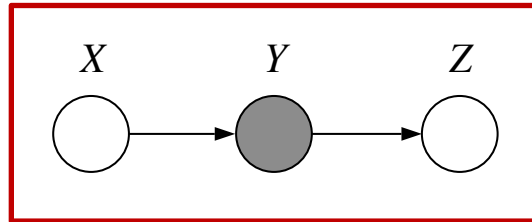
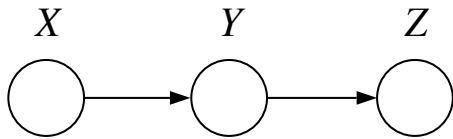


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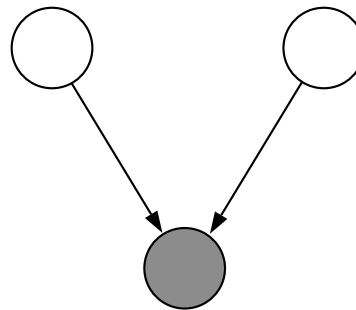
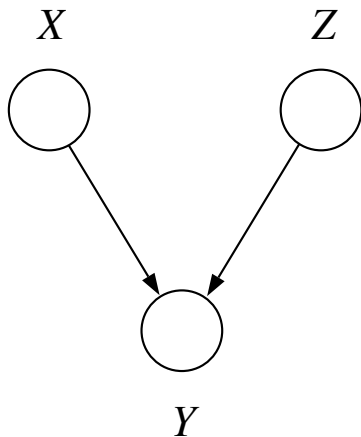
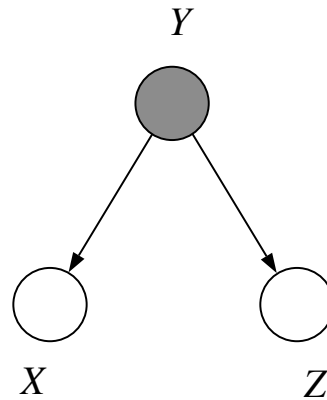
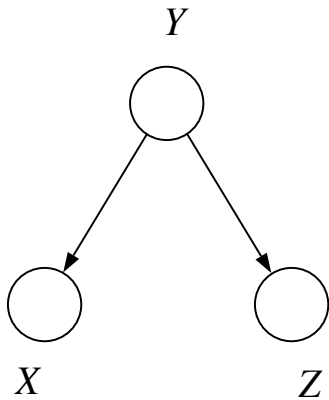


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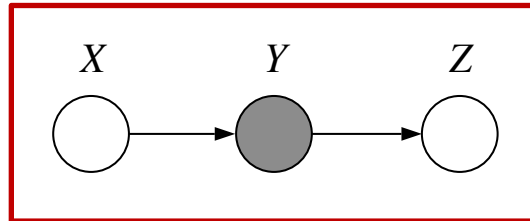
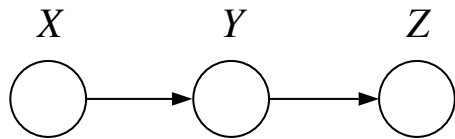


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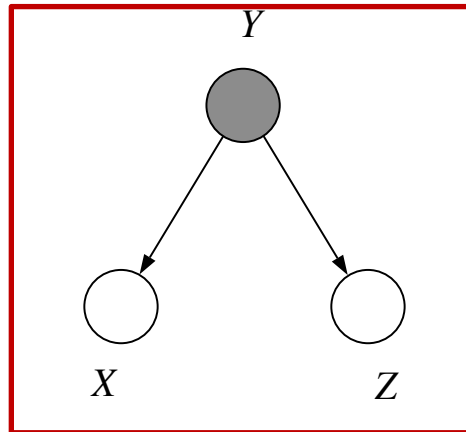
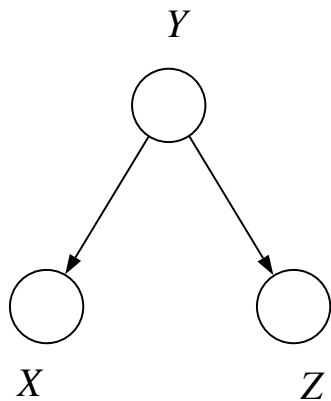


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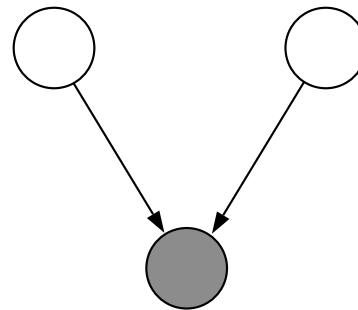
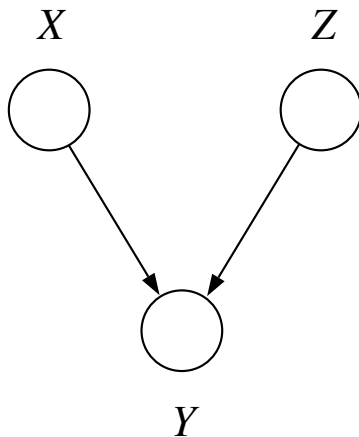
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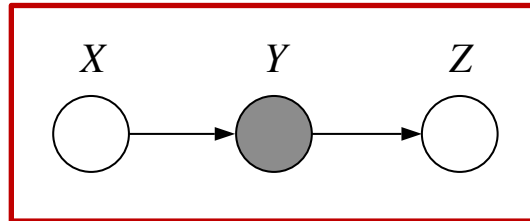
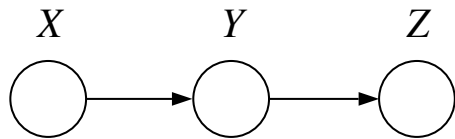


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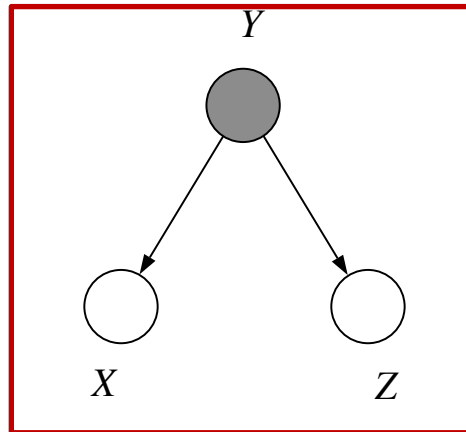
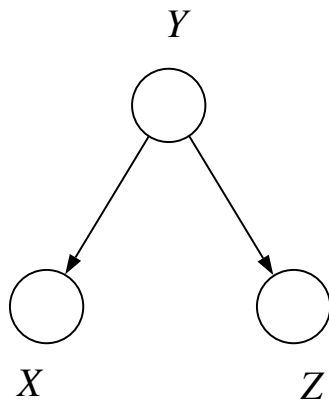


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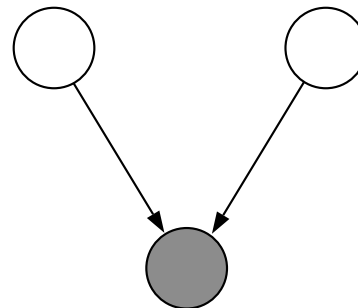
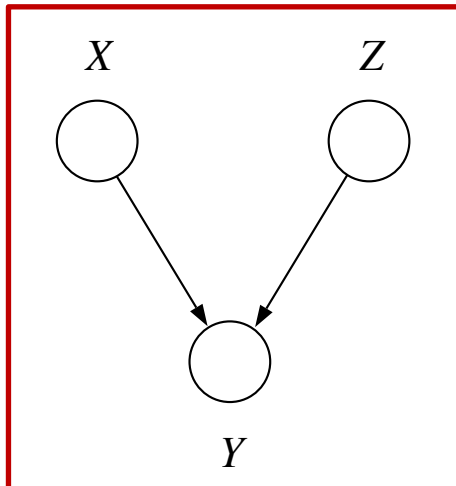
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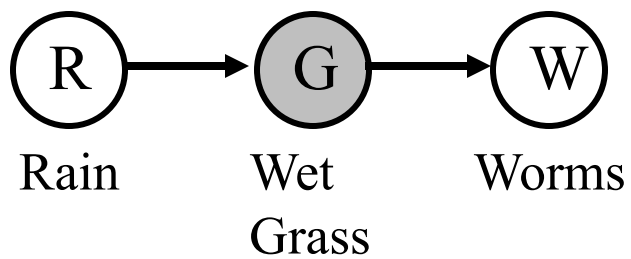


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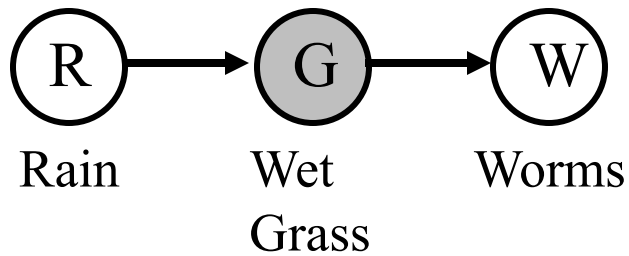
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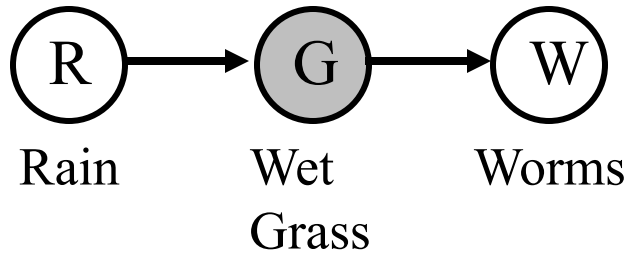


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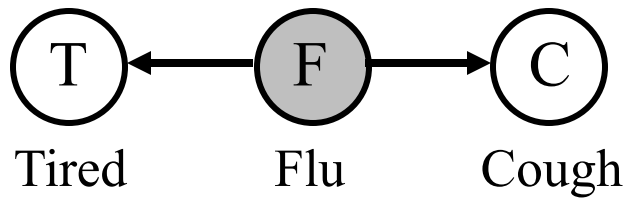
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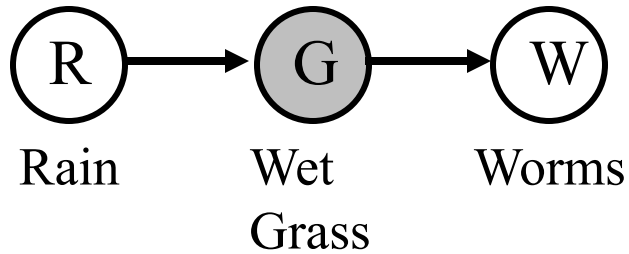
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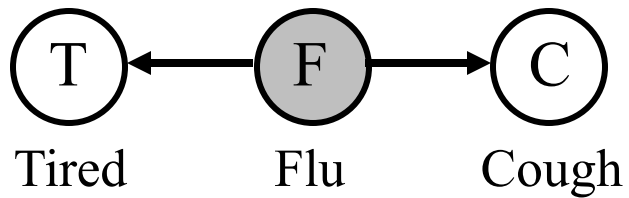
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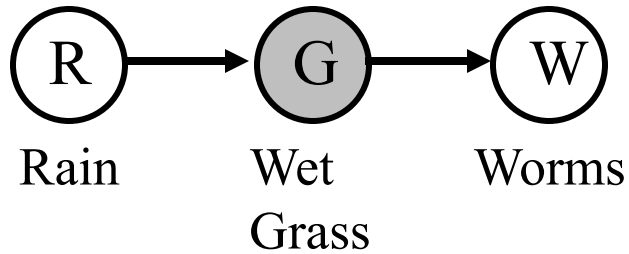


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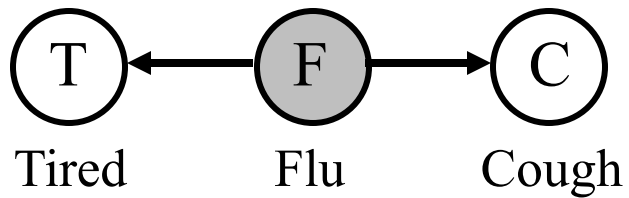


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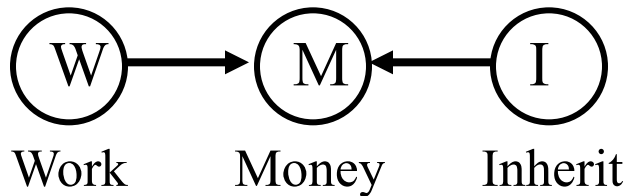
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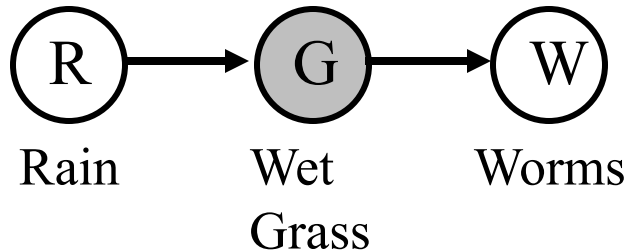
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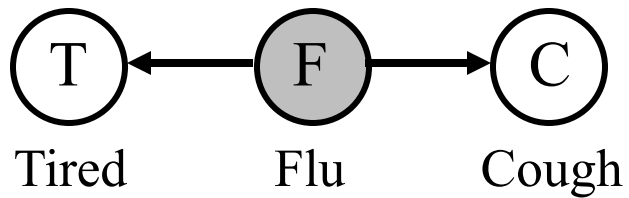
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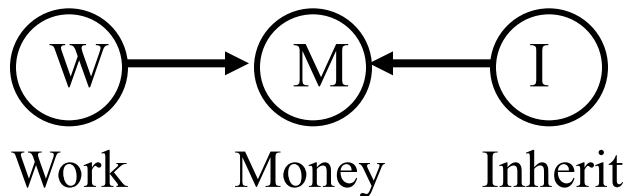
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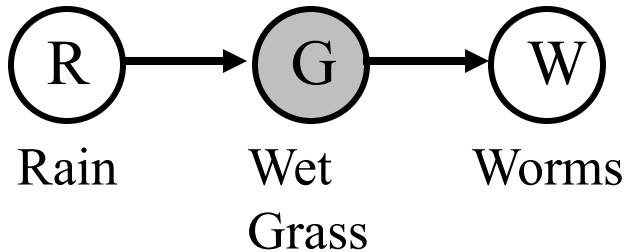


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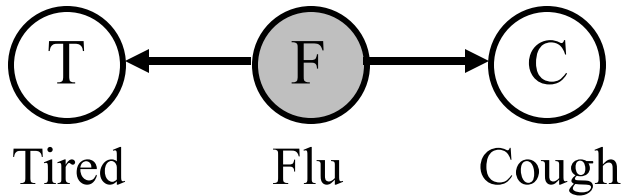


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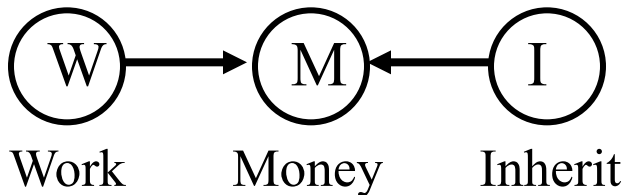
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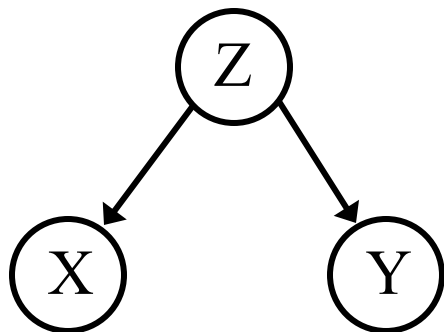


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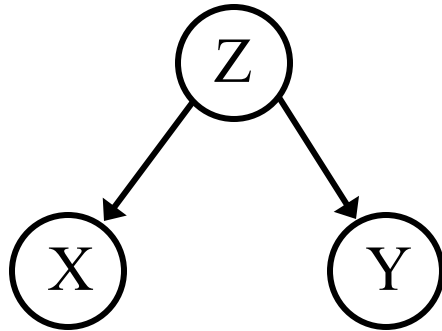
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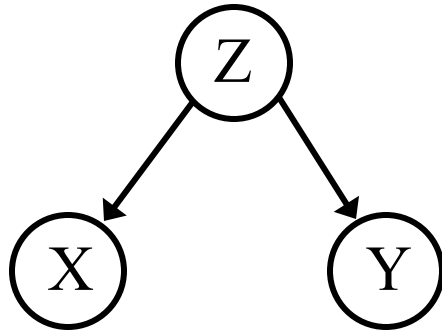
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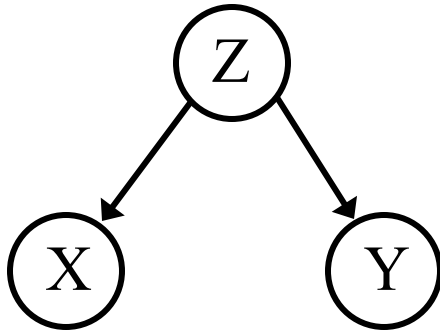
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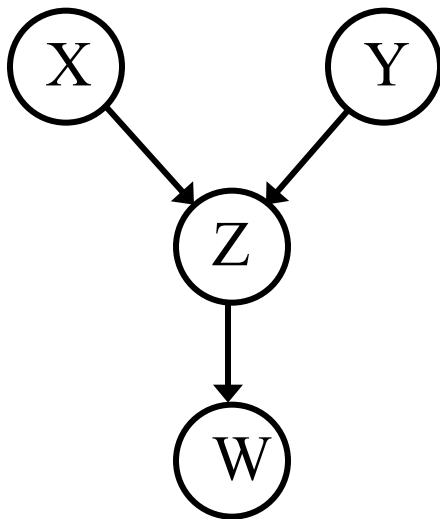
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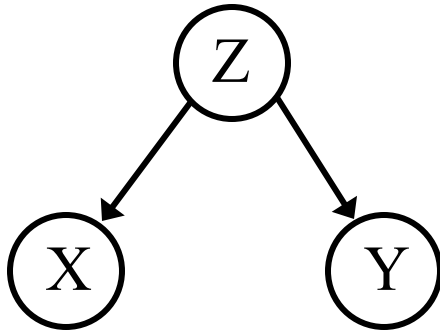
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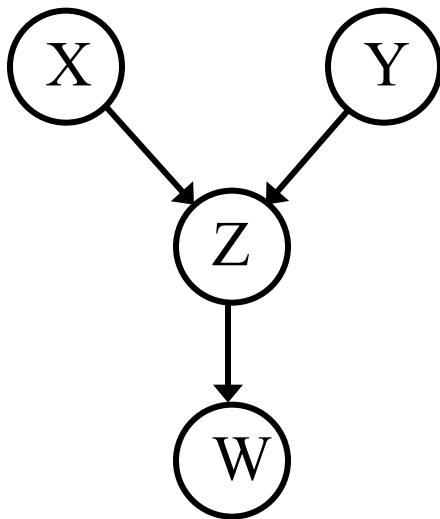
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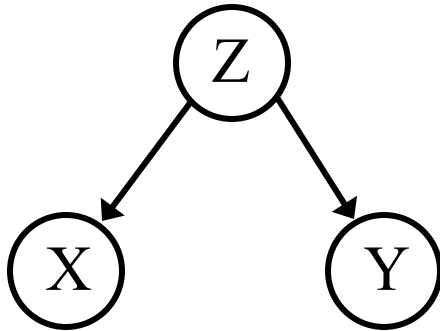
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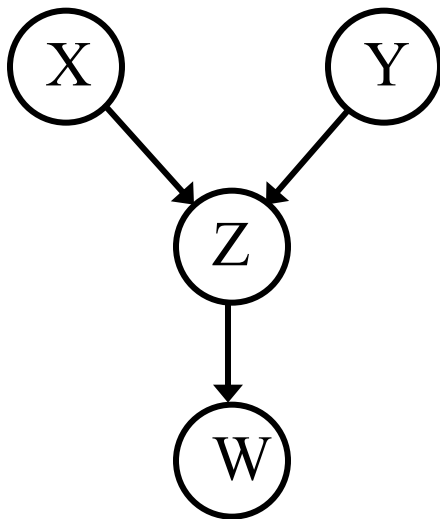
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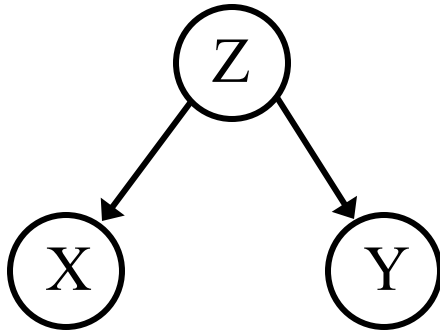
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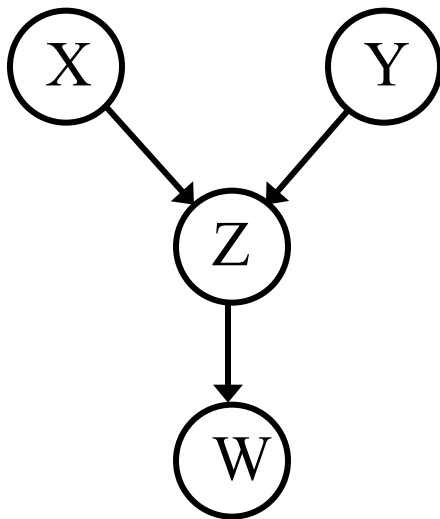
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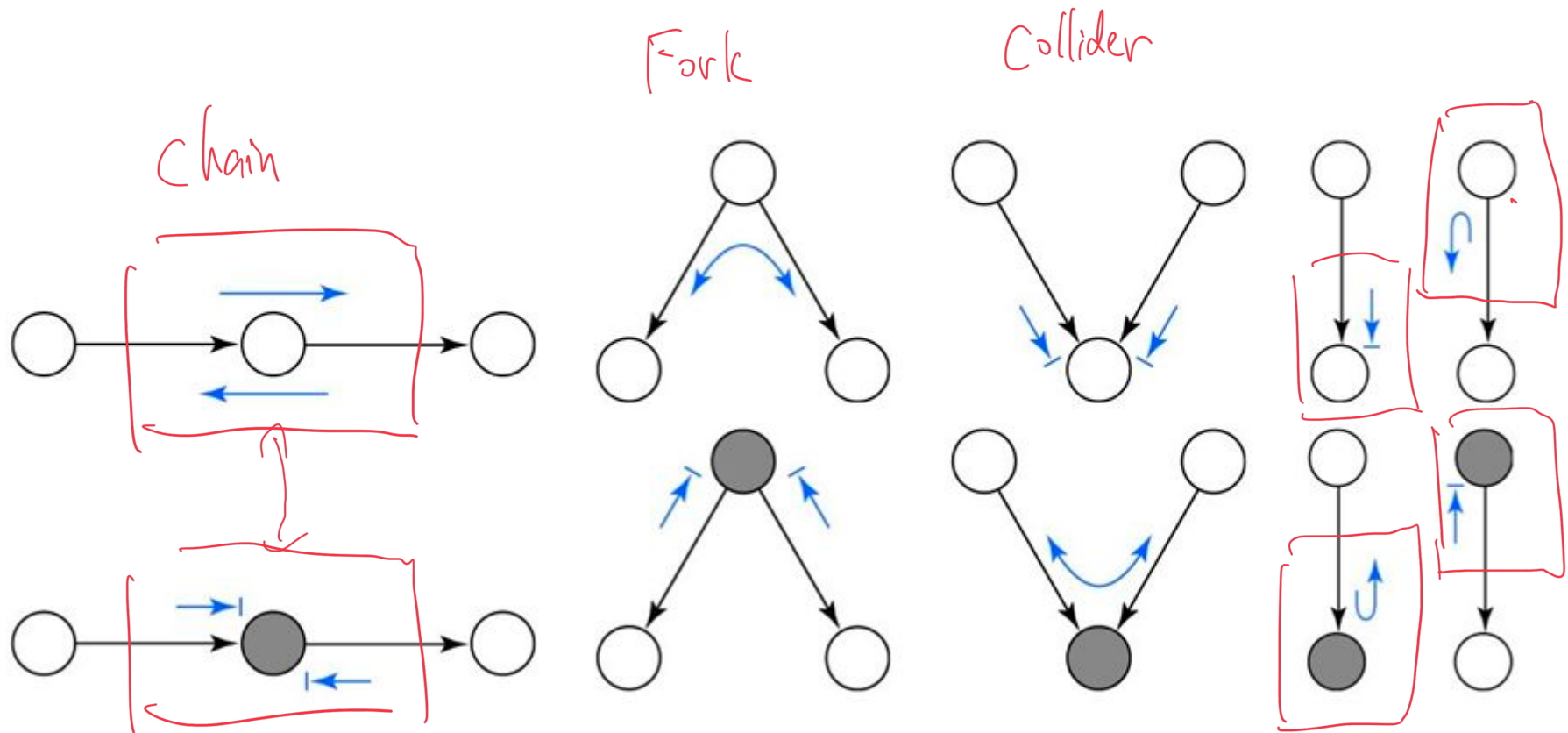
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The Bayes Ball algorithm

- Let \mathbf{X} , \mathbf{Y} , \mathbf{Z} be “*groups*” of nodes / set / subgraphs.
- Shade nodes in \mathbf{Y}
- Place a “ball” at each node in \mathbf{X}
- Bounce balls around the graph according to **rules**
- If no ball reaches any node in \mathbf{Z} , then declare

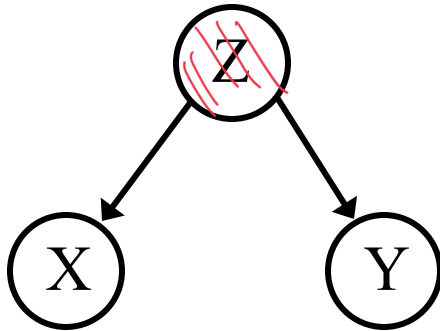
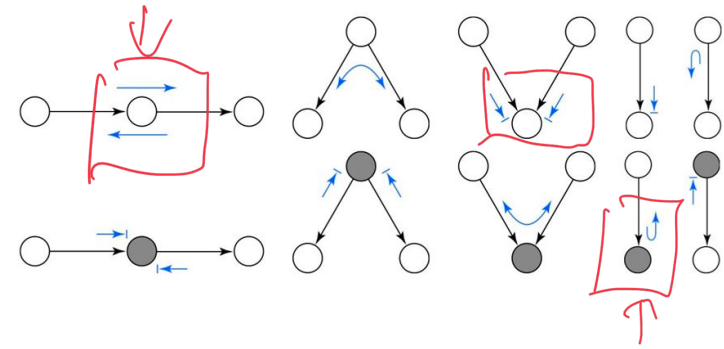
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The Ten Rules of Bayes Ball Algorithm



Please read [Jordan PGM [Ch. 2.1](#)]
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Examples (revisited using Bayes-ball alg)

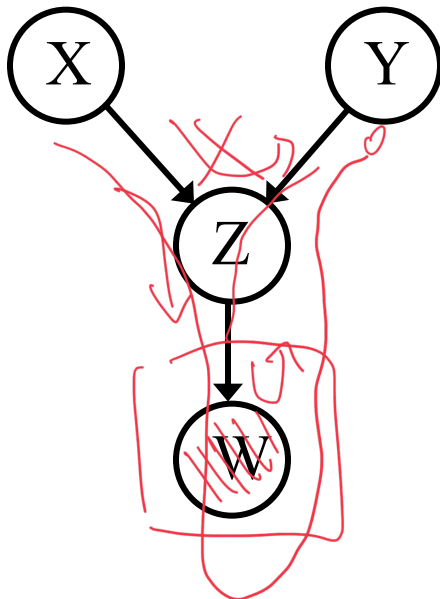


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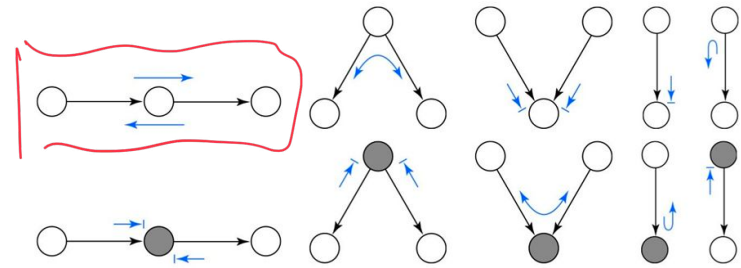
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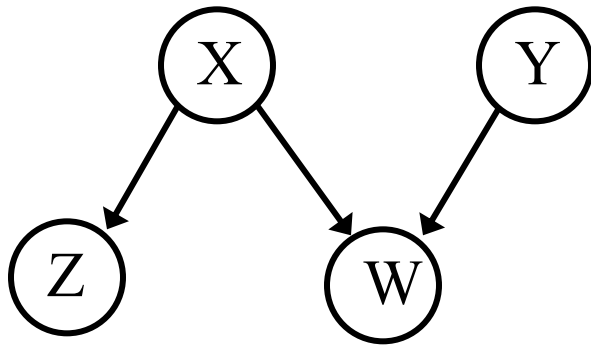
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Examples (3 min work)



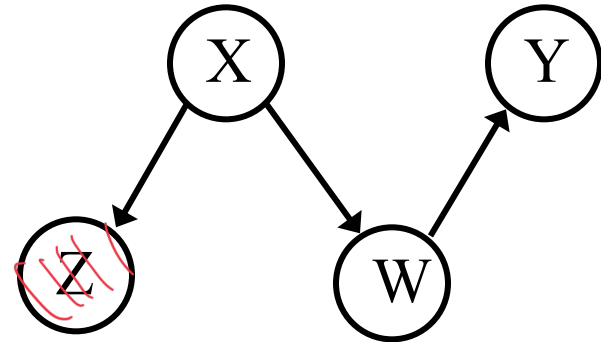
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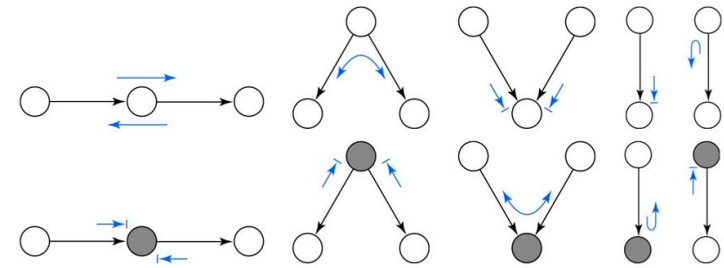
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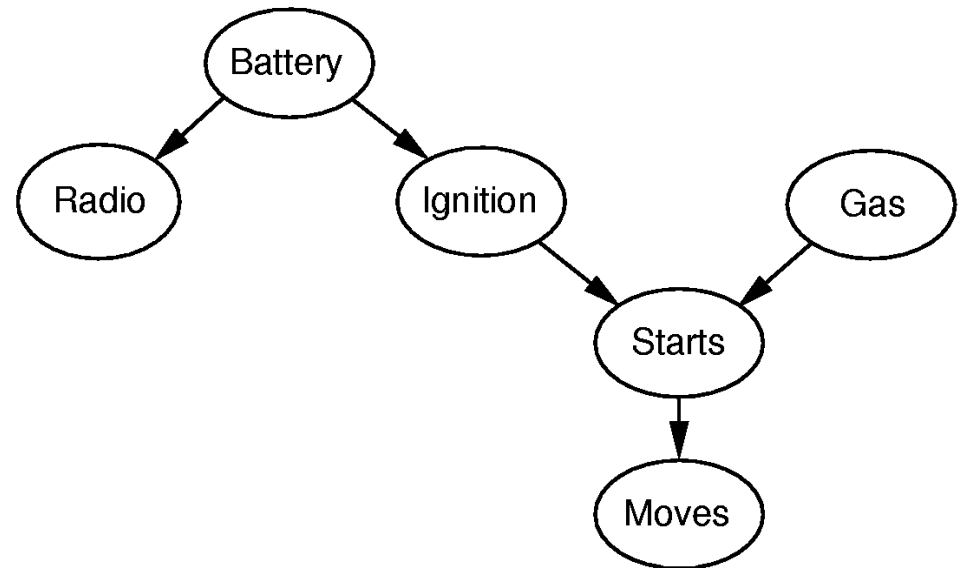
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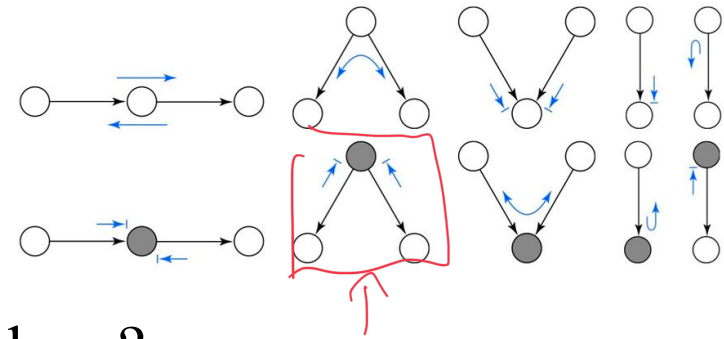
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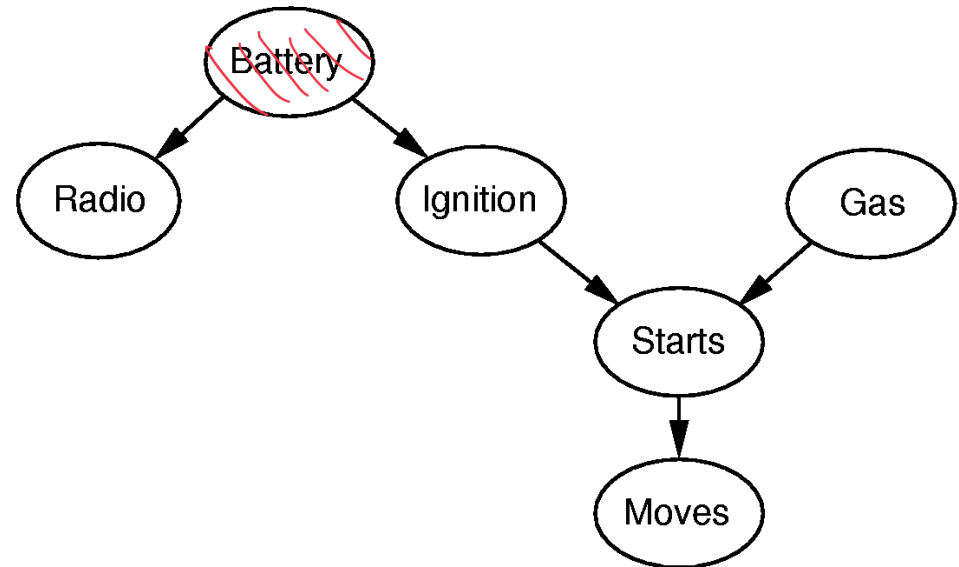


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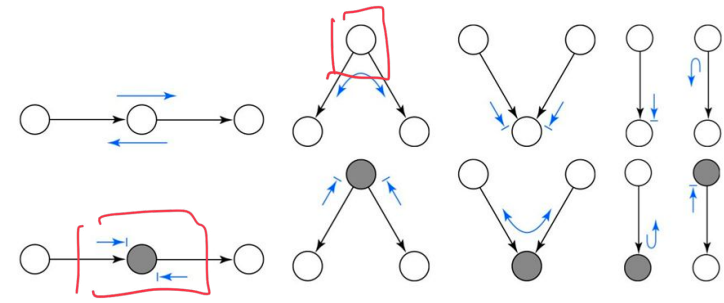


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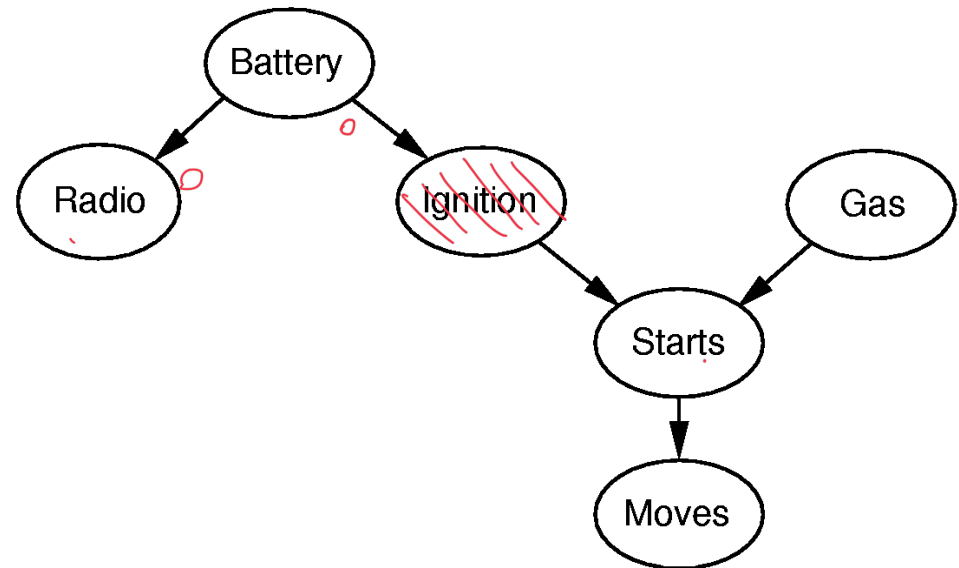
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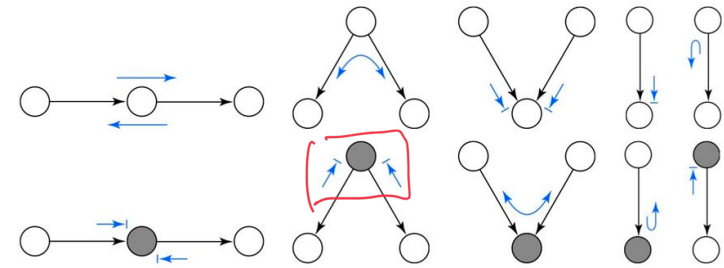
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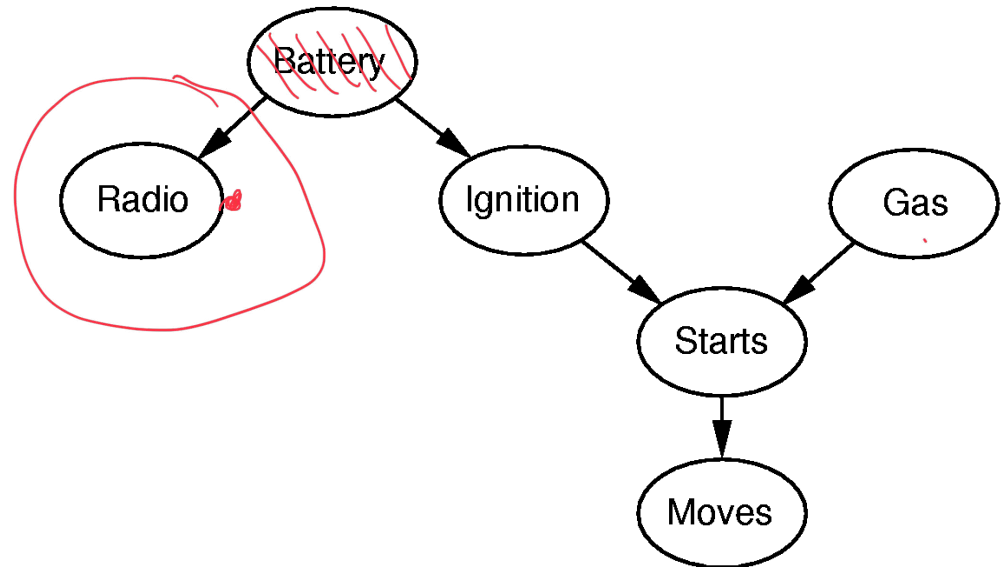


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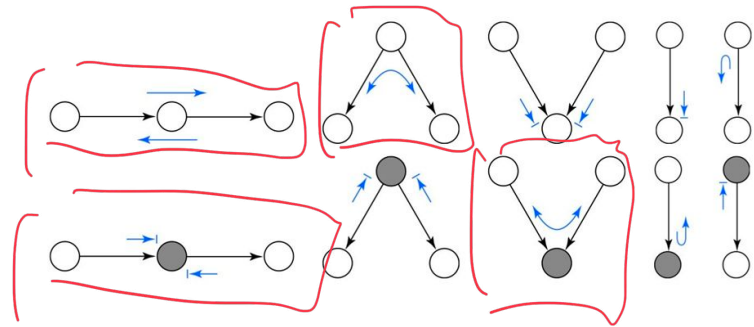
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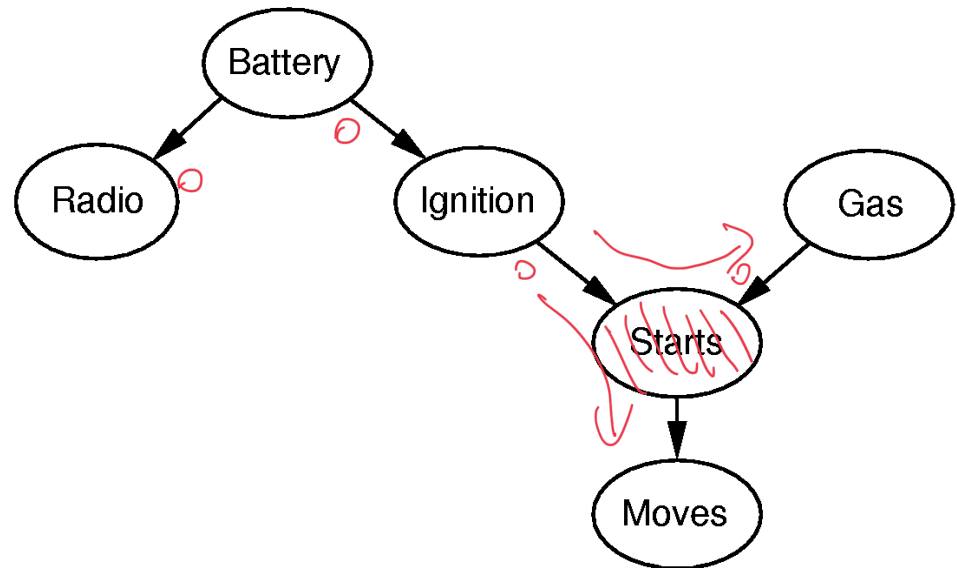
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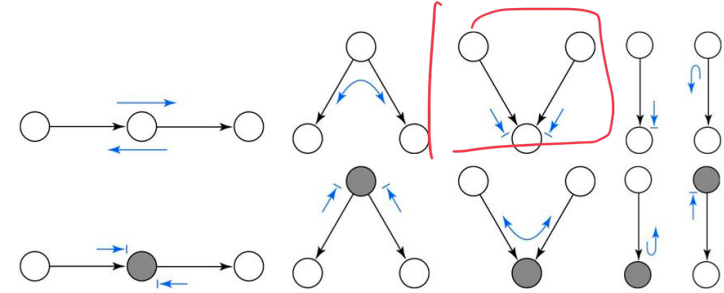
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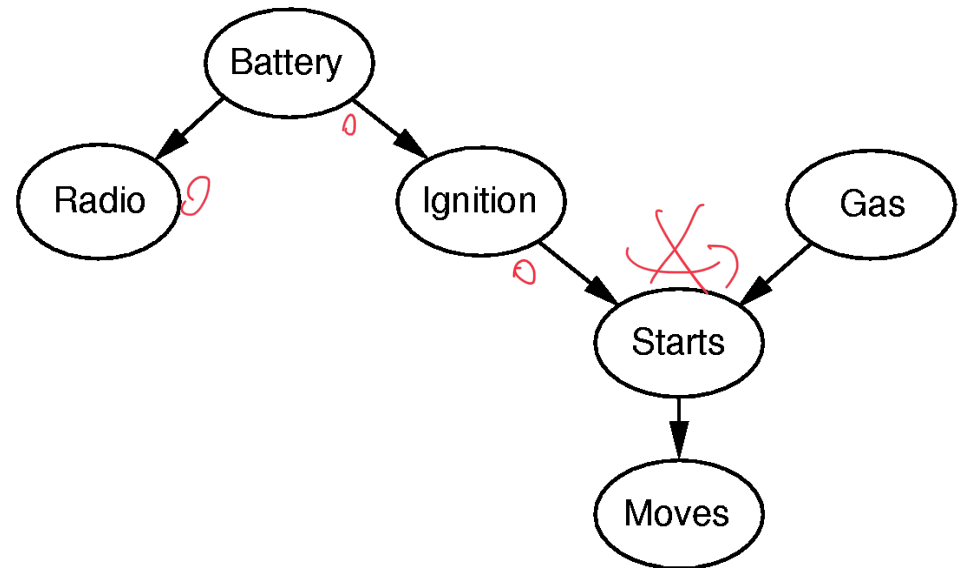
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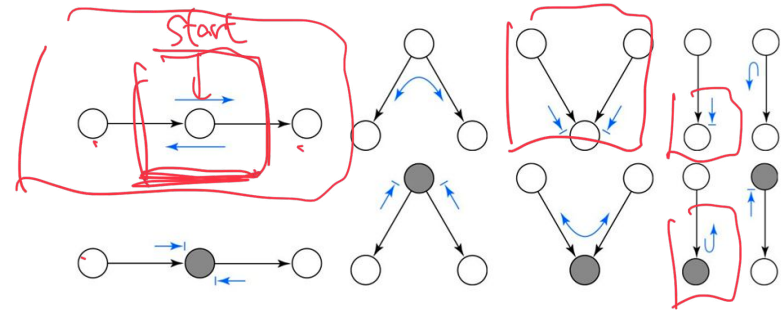
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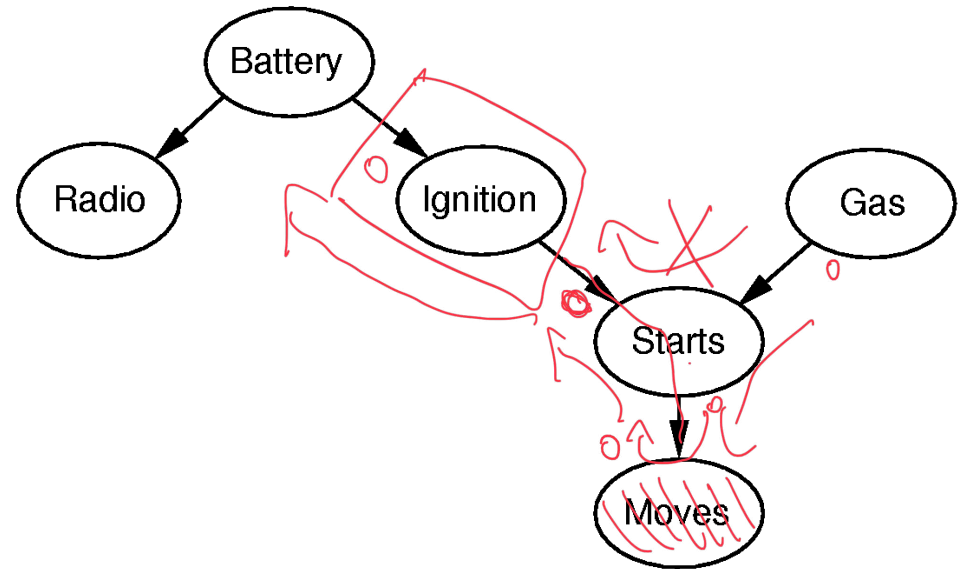
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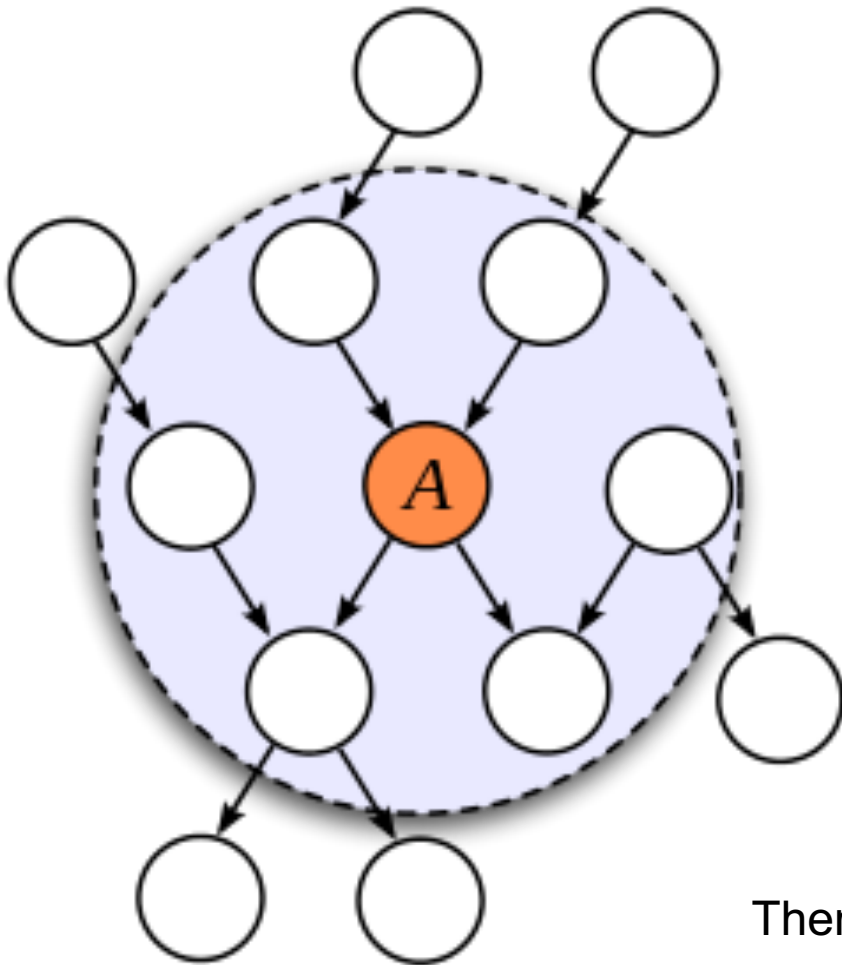
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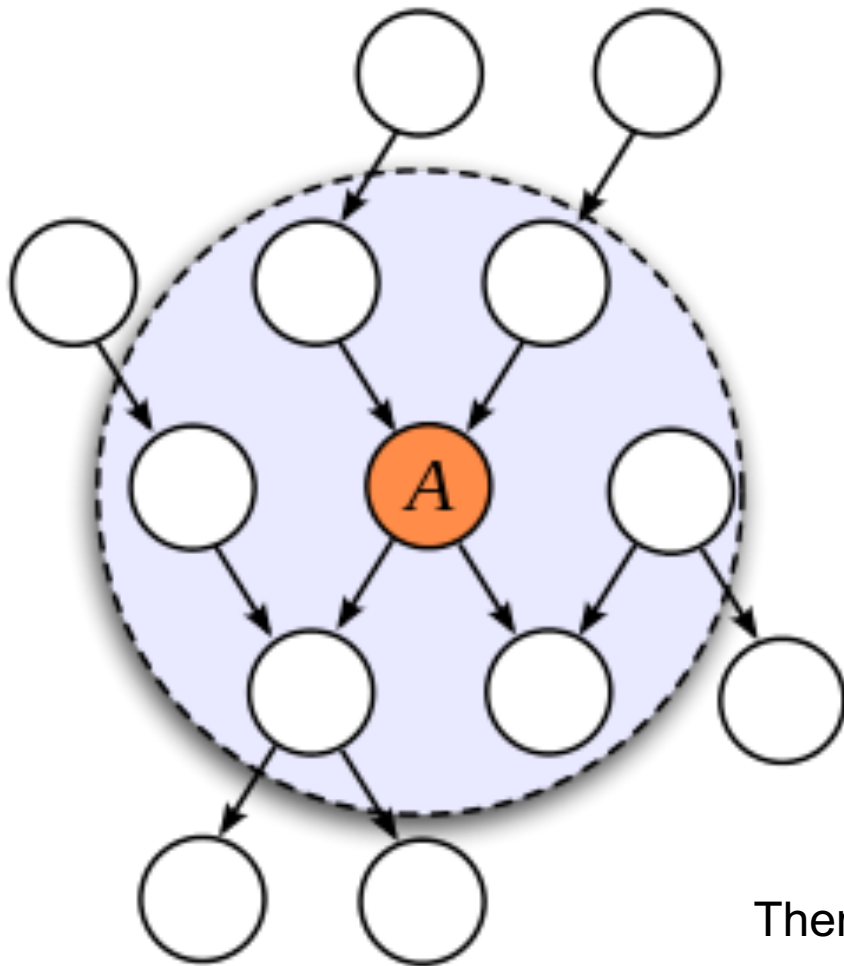
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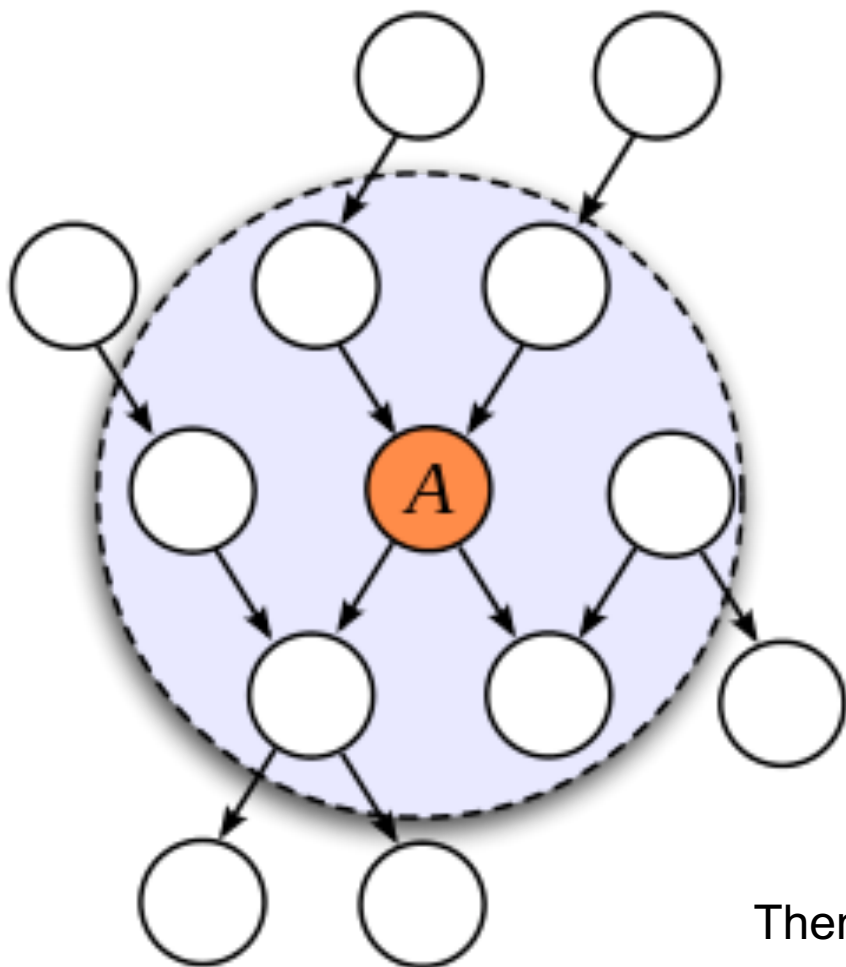
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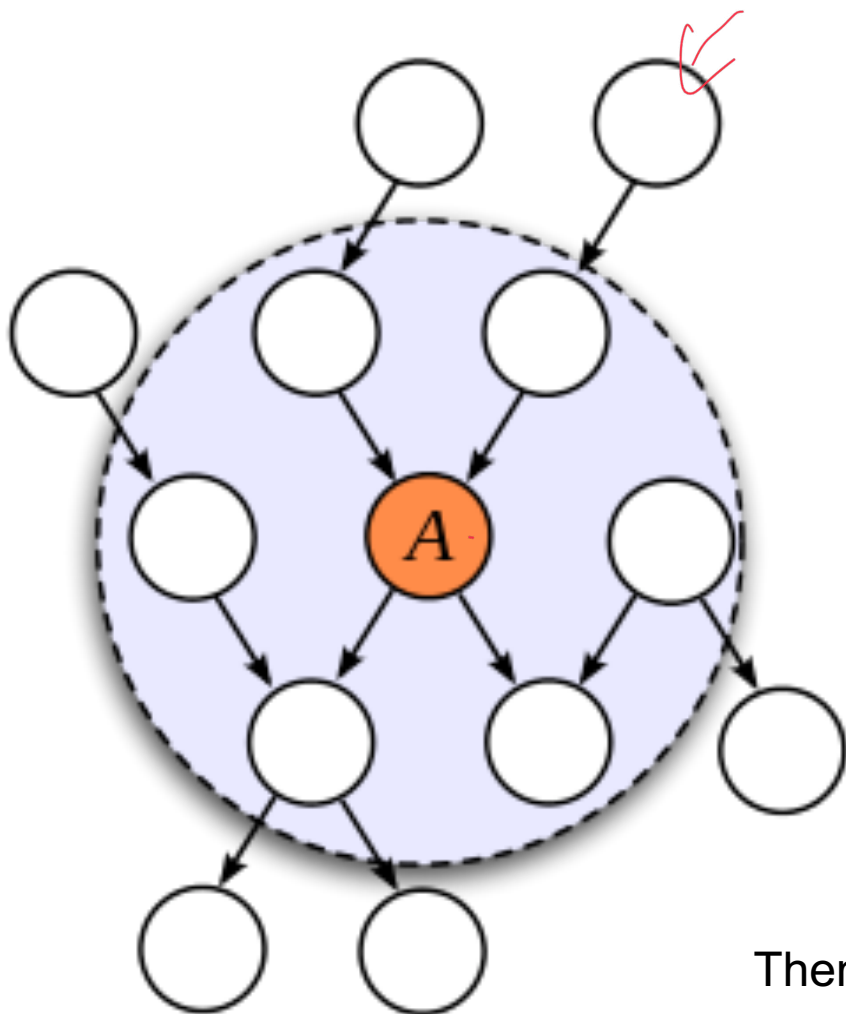


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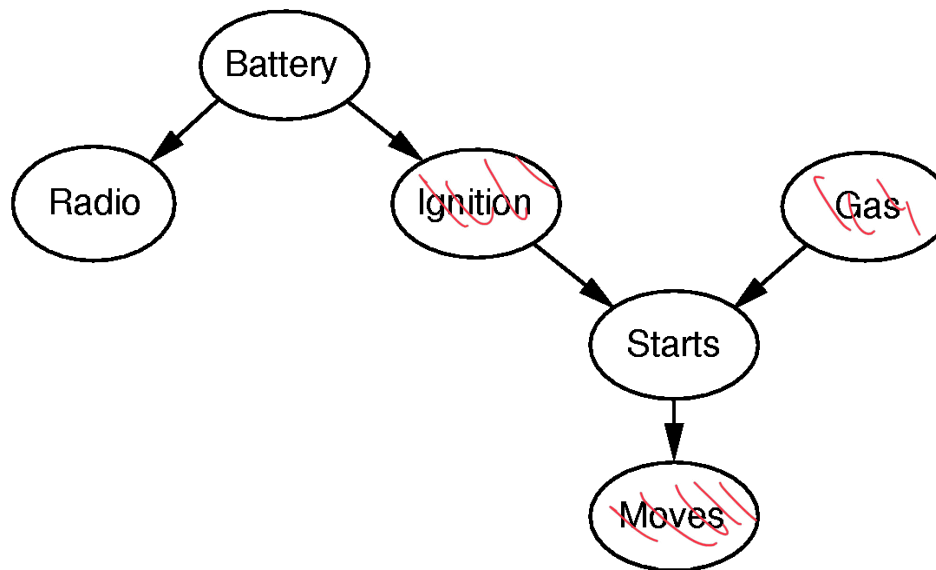
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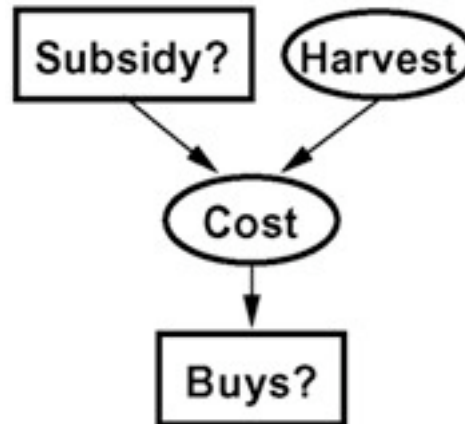
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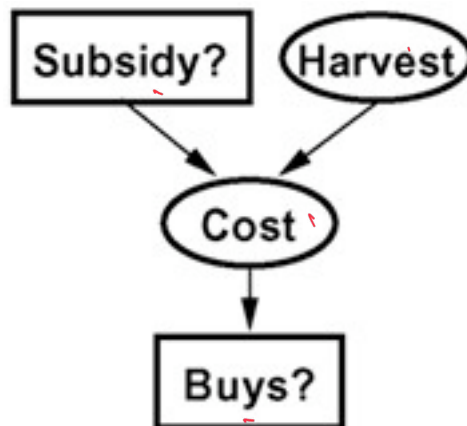
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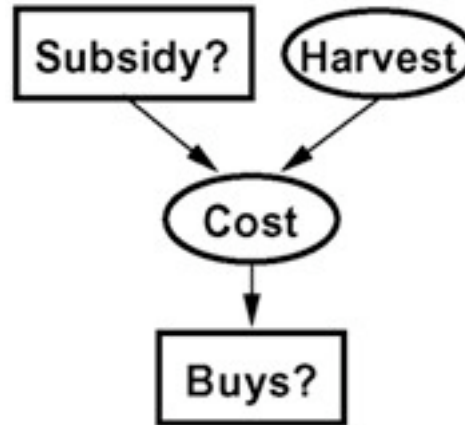


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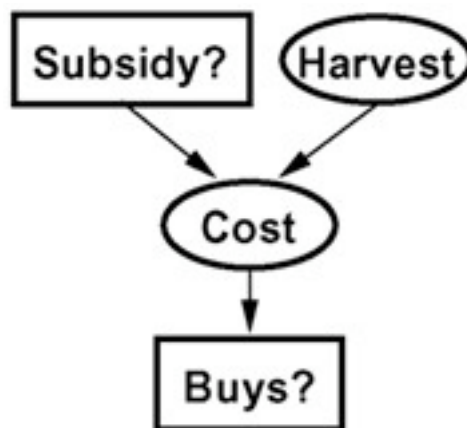
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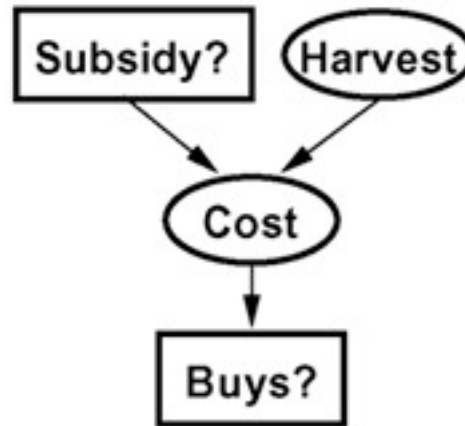
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 - d-separation, Bayes Ball algorithm, Markov Blanket
 - Remarks on BN inferences and continuous variables
- (More examples in the discussion: Hidden Markov Models, AIMA 15.3 or 14.3 in the 4th Edition)**

Additional resources about PGM

- Recommended: Ch.2 Jordan book. AIMA Ch. 13-14.
- More readings:
 - Koller's PGM book: <https://www.amazon.com/Probabilistic-Graphical-Models-Daphne-Koller/dp/B007YXTT12>
 - Probabilistic programming: <http://probabilistic-programming.org/wiki/Home>
- Software for PGMs and modeling and inference:
 - Stan: <https://mc-stan.org/> *pyStan*
 - JAGS: <http://mcmc-jags.sourceforge.net/>

Upcoming lectures

- Oct 22: Problem solving by search
 - Oct 27: Search algorithms
 - Oct 29: Minimax search and game playing
 - Nov 3: Midterm review. HW2 Due.
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- Recommended readings on search:
 - AIMA Ch 3, Ch 5.1-5.3.