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## Introduction

The first lesson of the course introduces you to causal diagrams. You will learn the anatomy of a DAG and the rules of D-separation.

## **Learning Objectives**

After this lesson you should be able to:

- 1. Identify the features of a causal DAG
- 2. Understand the rules of d-separation
- 3. Construct a causal DAG that reflects assumptions of how treatments, outcomes, and other factors relate to one another
- 4. Distinguish between different structural sources of bias

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