

# Guiding Question

- What does "Markov" mean in "Markov Decision Process"?

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*indep. ident. distributed*

*Bernoulli (0.5)*



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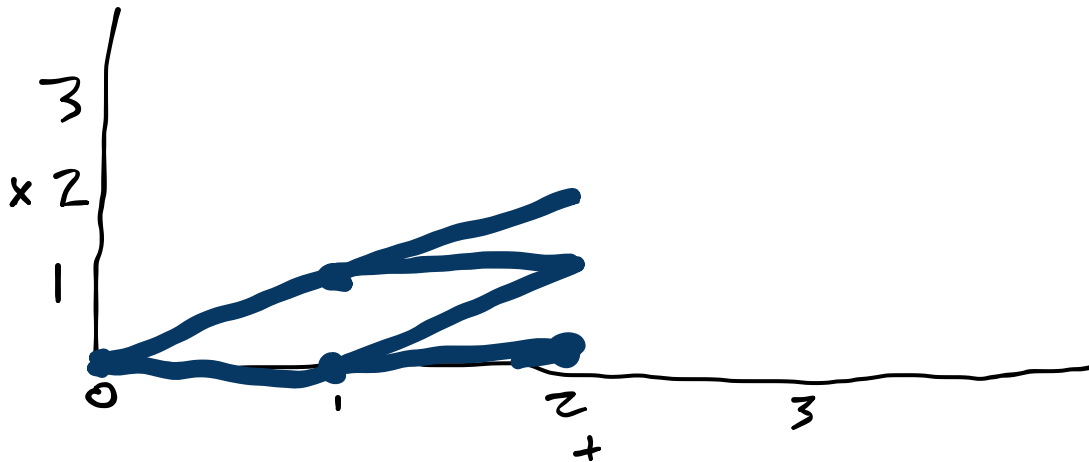
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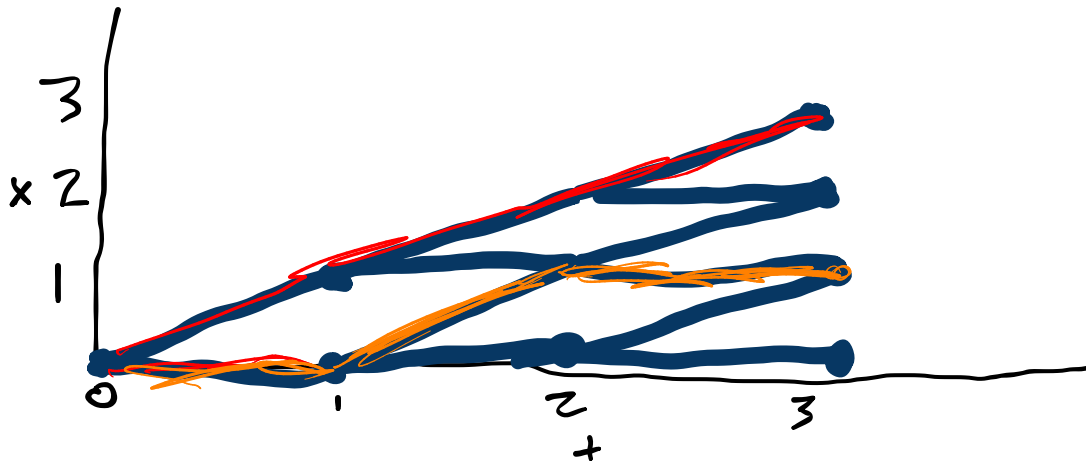
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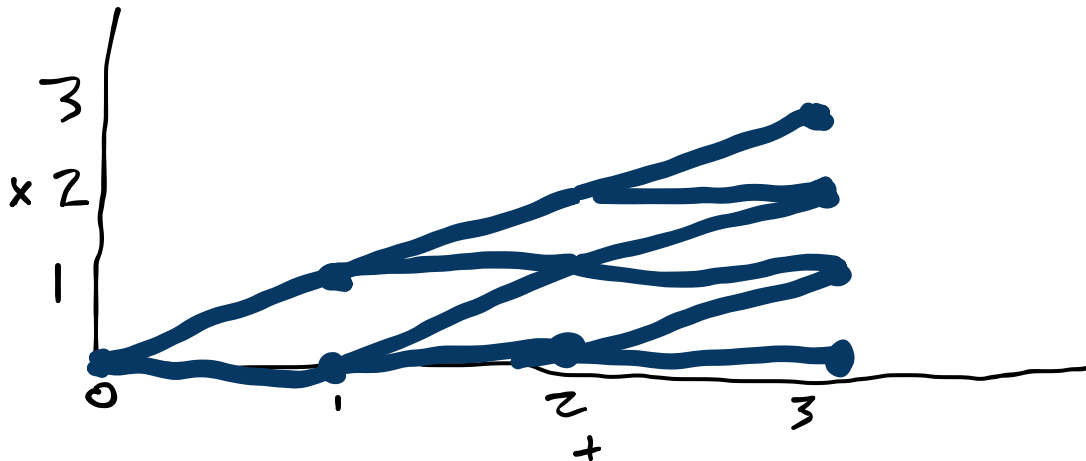
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$x_{t+1}$	
$\bar{x}$	0.5
$\bar{x}+1$	0.5

$$P(x_{t+1}) = \sum_{\bar{x}} P(x_{t+1}, x_t = \bar{x})$$

$$= \sum_{\bar{x}} P(x_{t+1} | x_t = \bar{x}) P(x_t = \bar{x})$$

$x_1$	$P(x_1)$
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1	0.5

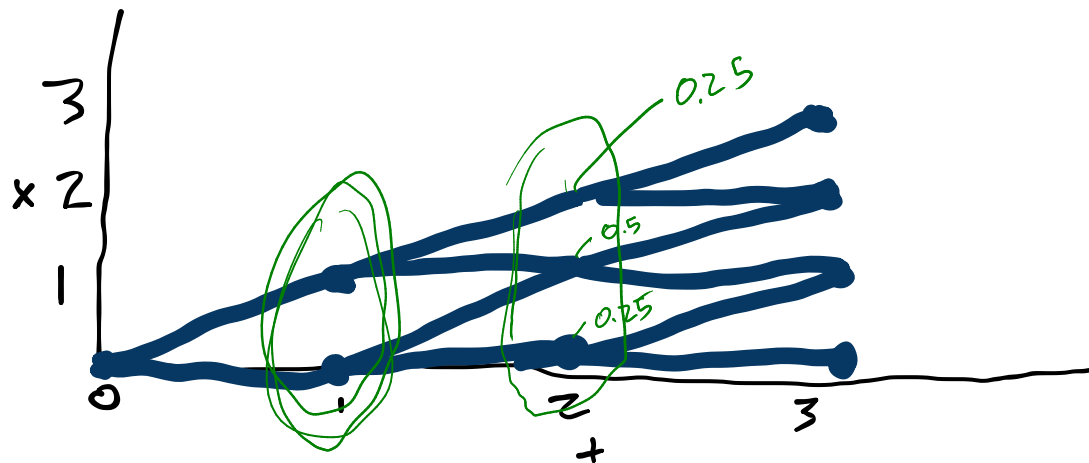
$$P(x_1=0 | x_0=0) P(x_0=0)$$

0.5      0.5

$x_2$	$P(x_2)$
0	0.25
1	0.5
2	0.25

$$P(x_2=0 | x_1=0) P(x_1=0) + P(x_2=0 | x_1=1) P(x_1=1)$$

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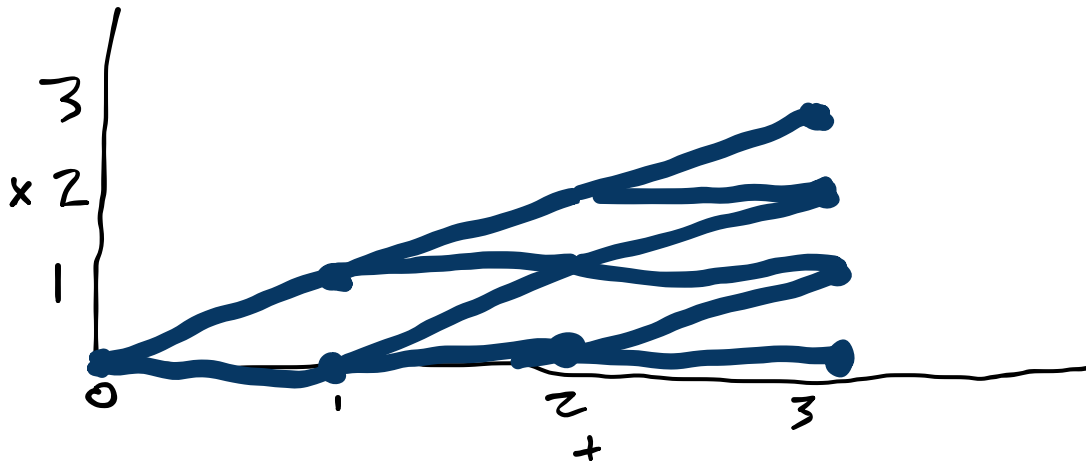
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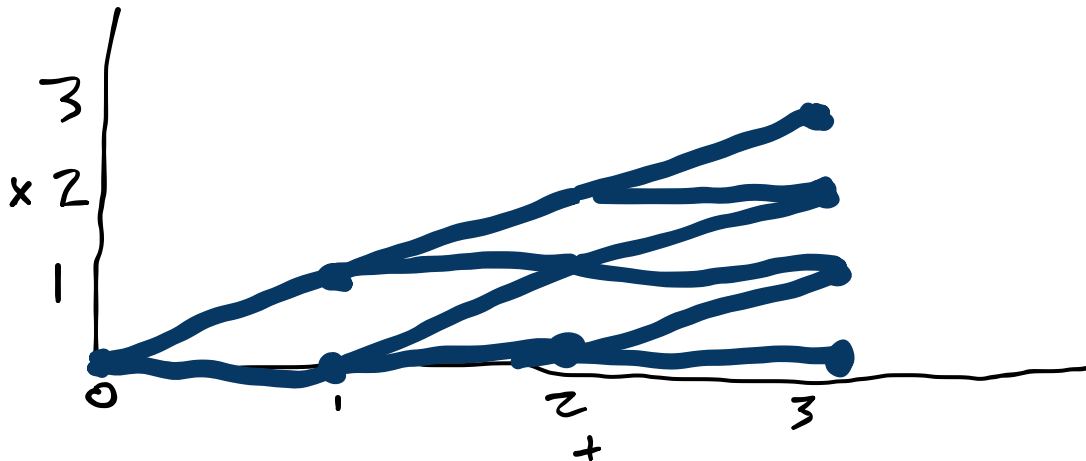
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0	1	1	0.25
0	1	2	0.25

# Simulating a Stochastic Process

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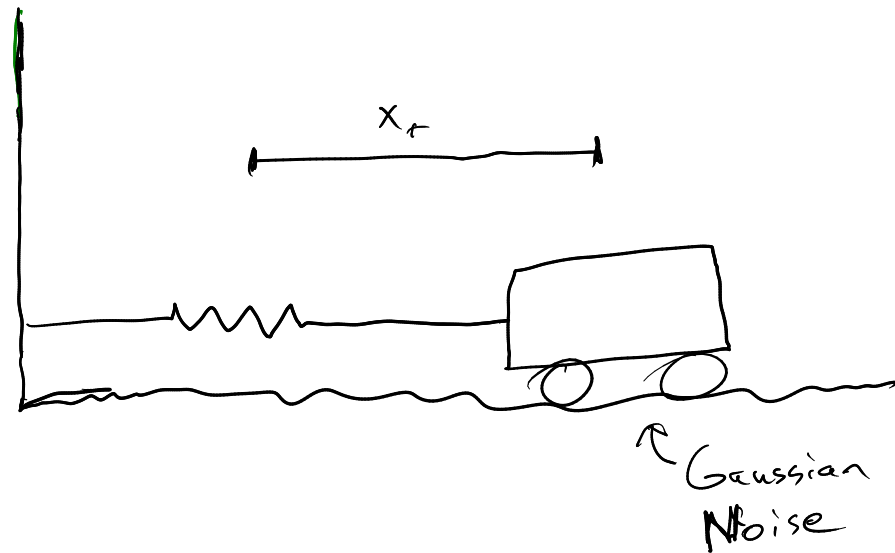
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- $s_t$  is called the "state" of the process



Is  $\{x_t\}$  a Markov Process?

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_{t+1} \\ \dot{x}_{t+1} \end{bmatrix}}_{y_{t+1}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta t \\ -\frac{k}{m}\Delta t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_t \\ \dot{x}_t \end{bmatrix}}_{y_t} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{v_t}_{\sim N(0, \sigma^2)}$$

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(iid)

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- Suppose you want to create a Markov model that describes how many new COVID cases will be detected on a particular day. What information should be in the state of the model?

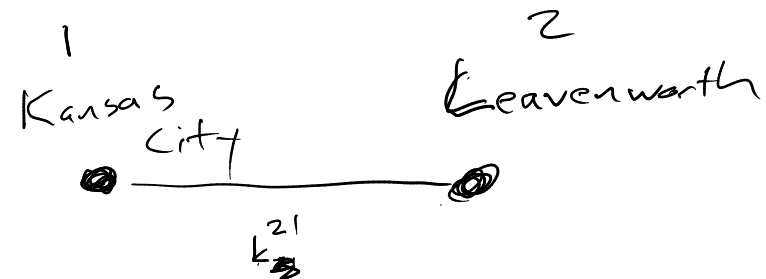
state: previous day's cases  
 $n_t$   
 $k_i$ : infectiousness  
 $s_t$ : susceptible

$$n_{t+1} = s_t k_i n_t + v_t$$

$$n_{t+1} = s_t (k_3 n_{t-3} + k_4 n_{t-4} \dots k_{14} n_{t-14})$$

$$\text{state: } (n_{t-14}, s_t)$$

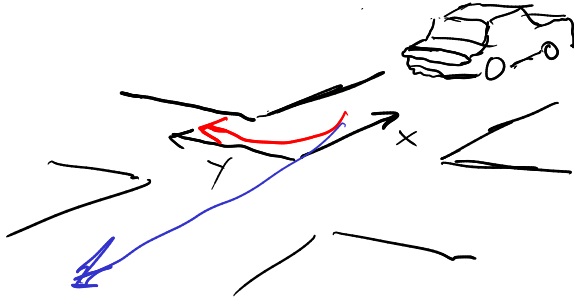
$k(d)$



$$n^i = s_+^i (k_3^{ii} n_3^i \dots + k_{ij}^{ij} n_j^i)$$

# Hidden Markov Model

(Often you can't measure the whole state)



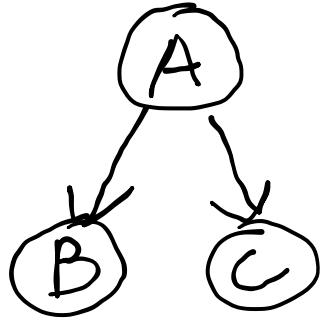
state :  $(x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y}, \text{intention})$

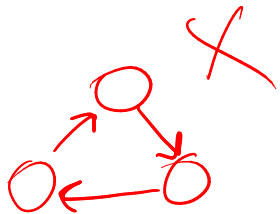
observation :  $(x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y})$



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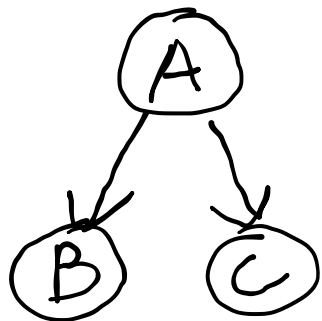
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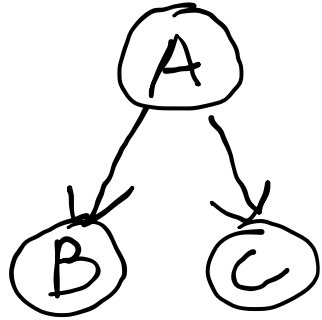
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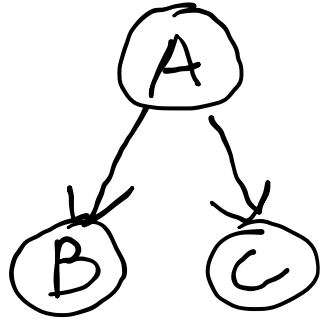
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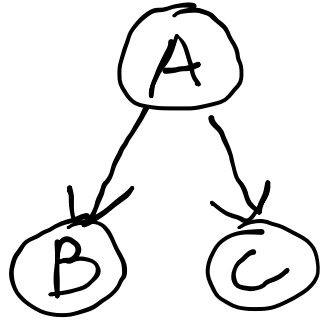
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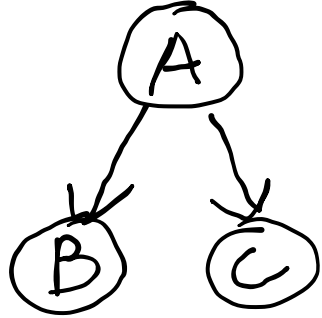


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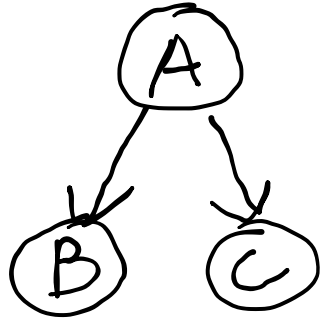


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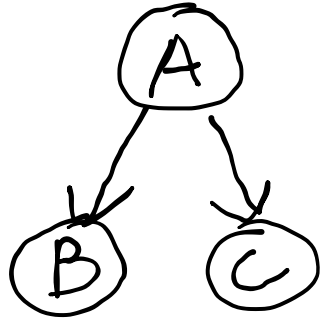
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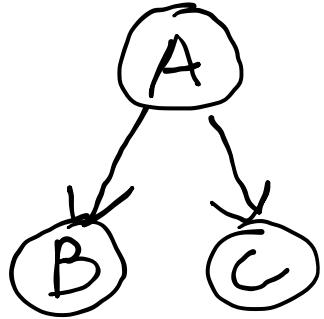
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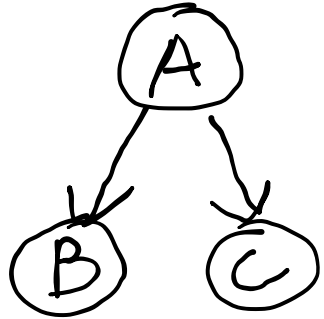
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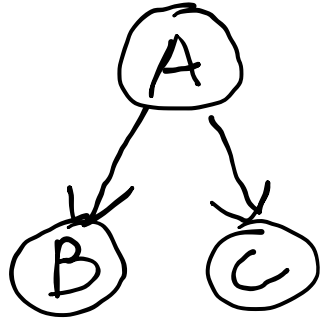
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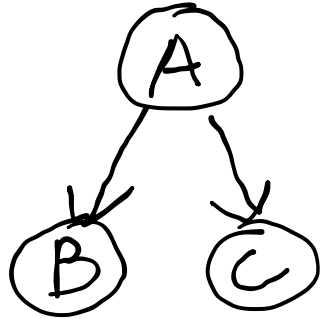
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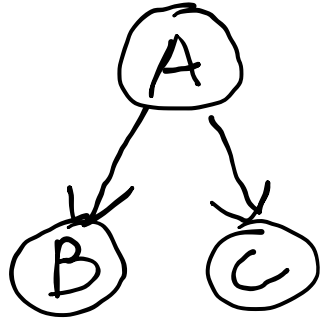


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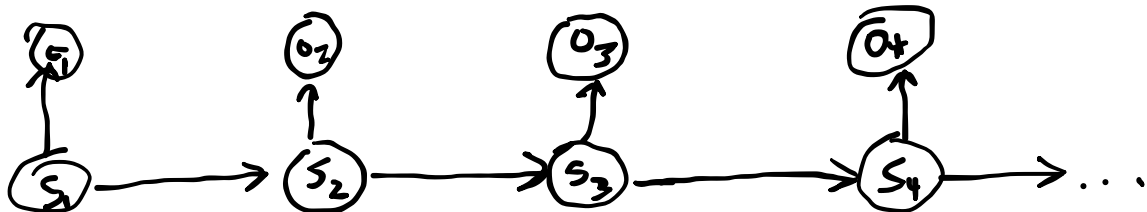
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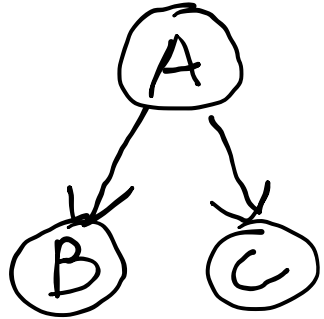


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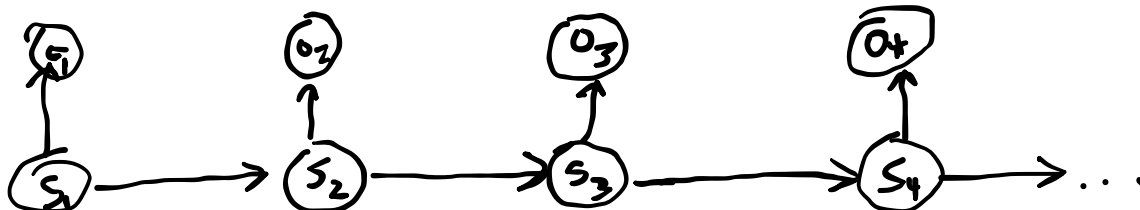
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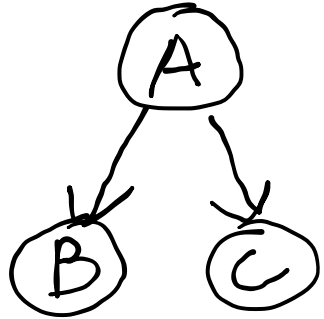
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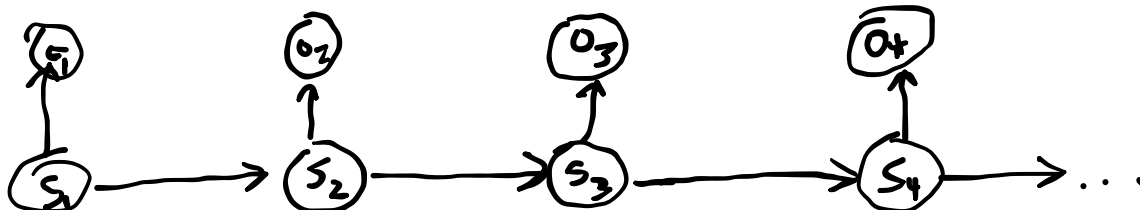
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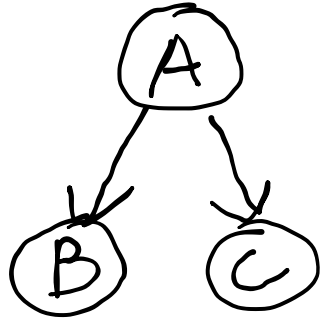
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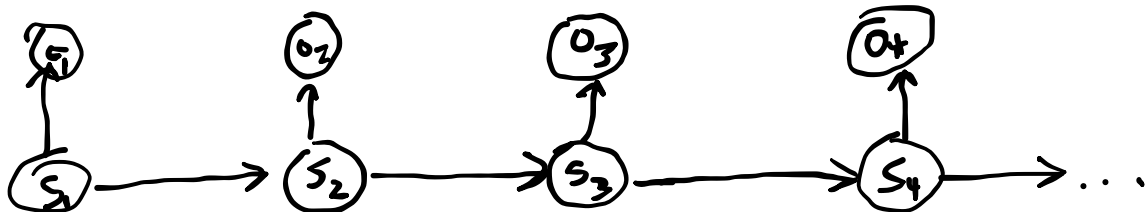
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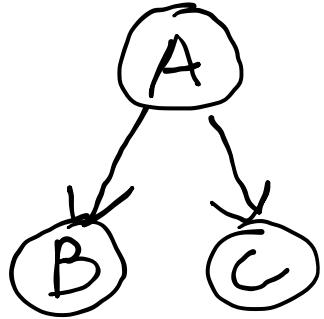
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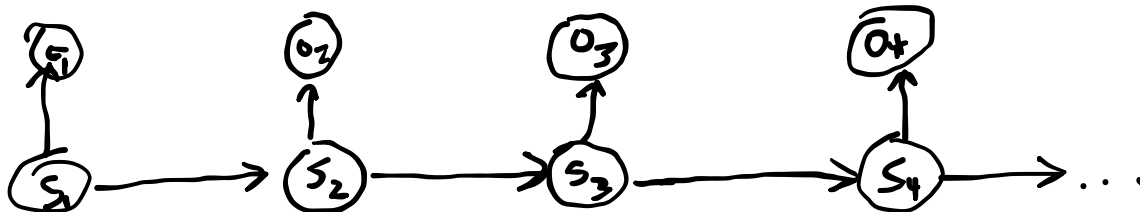
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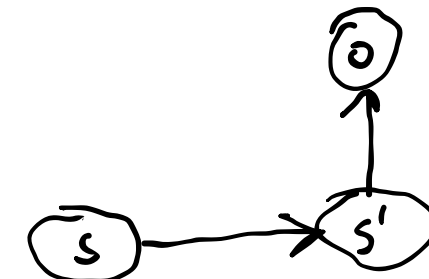


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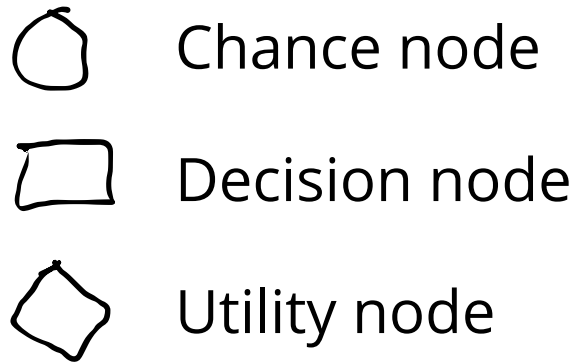
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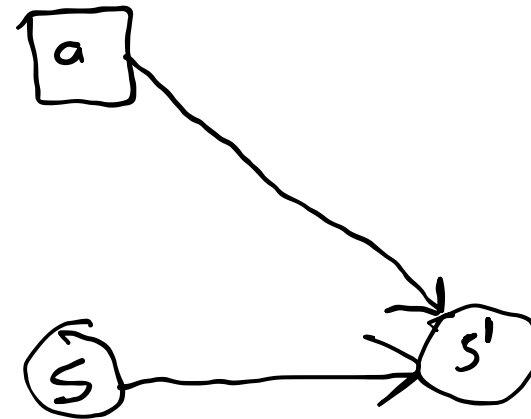


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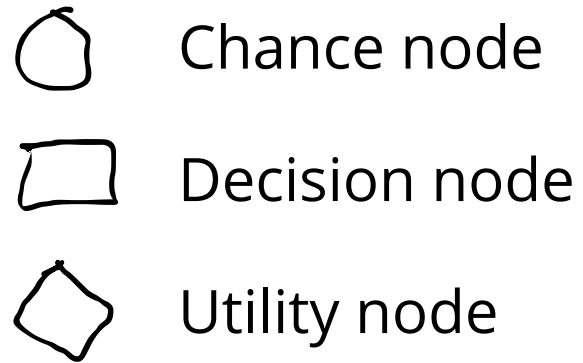


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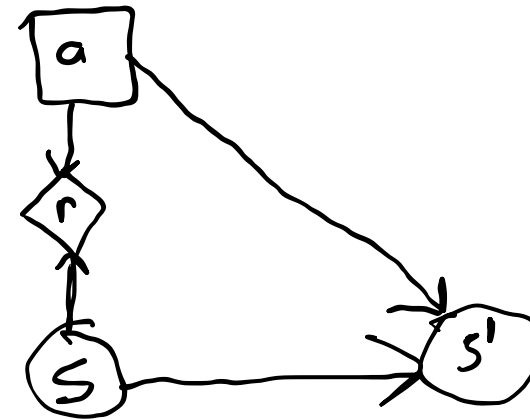


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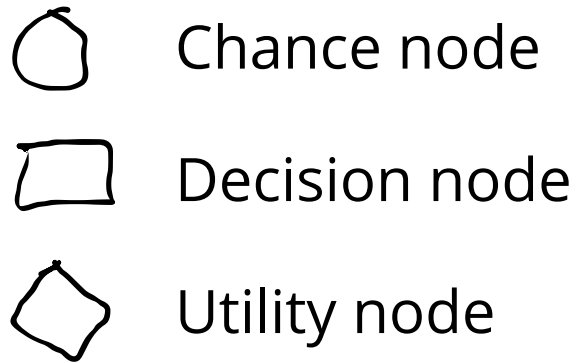


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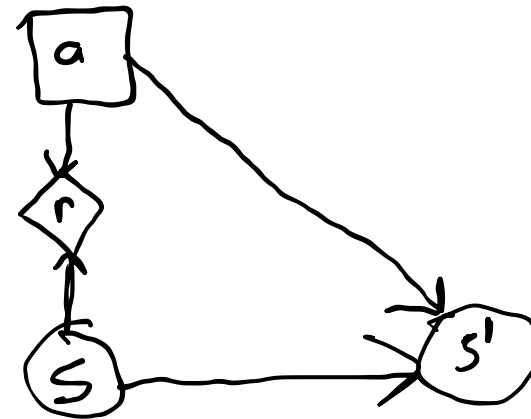


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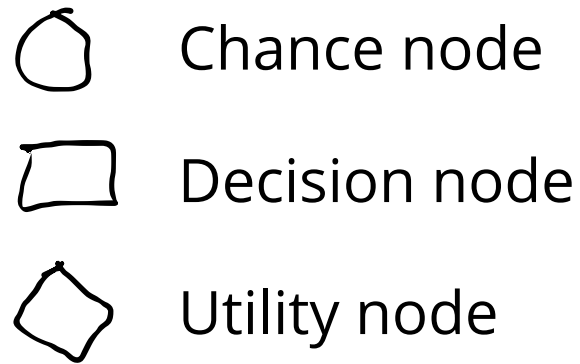
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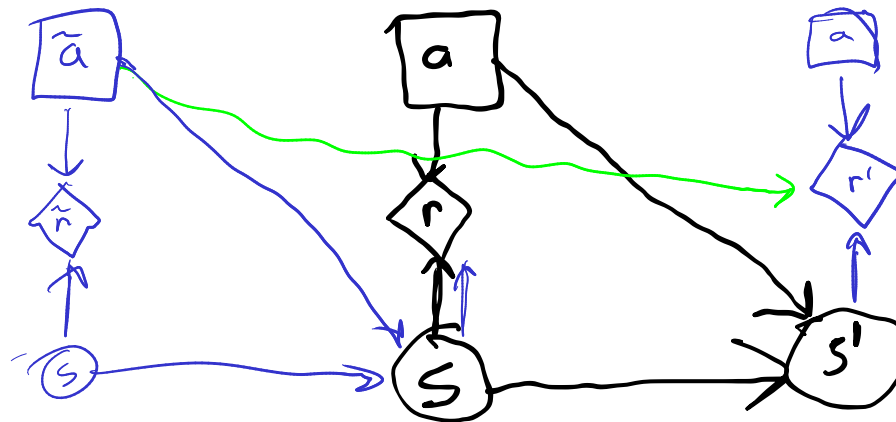
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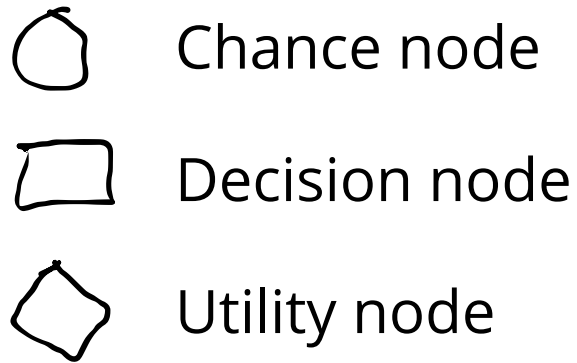
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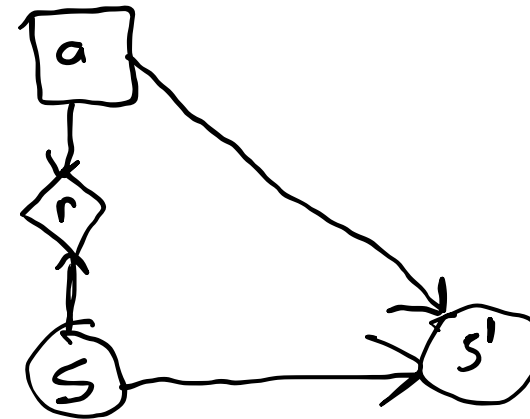


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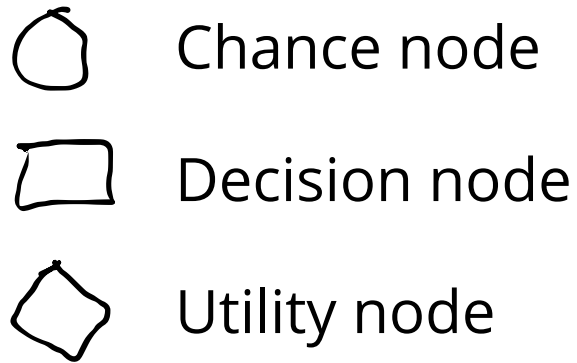


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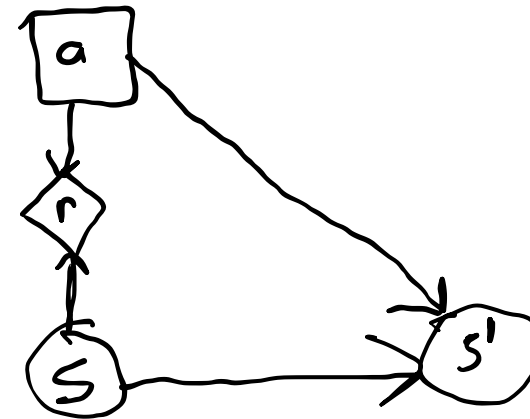
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