

Guiding Question

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

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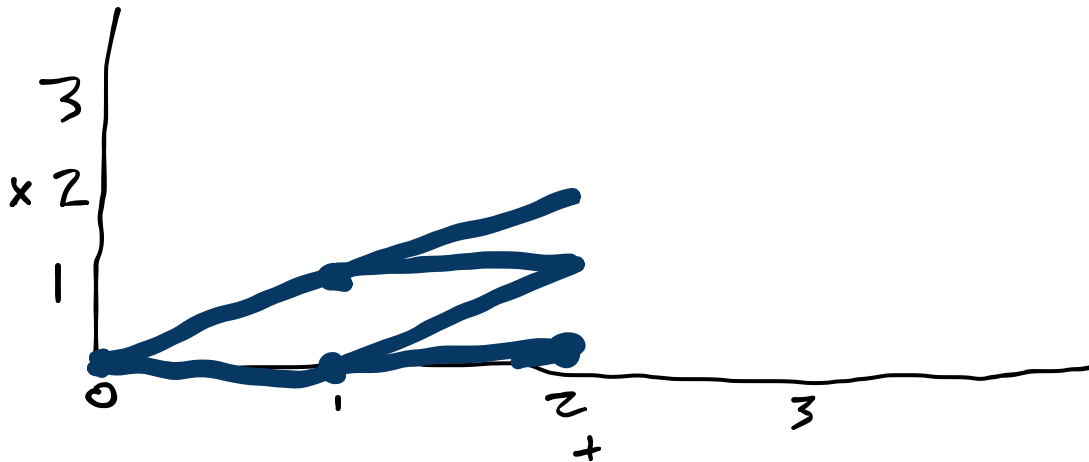
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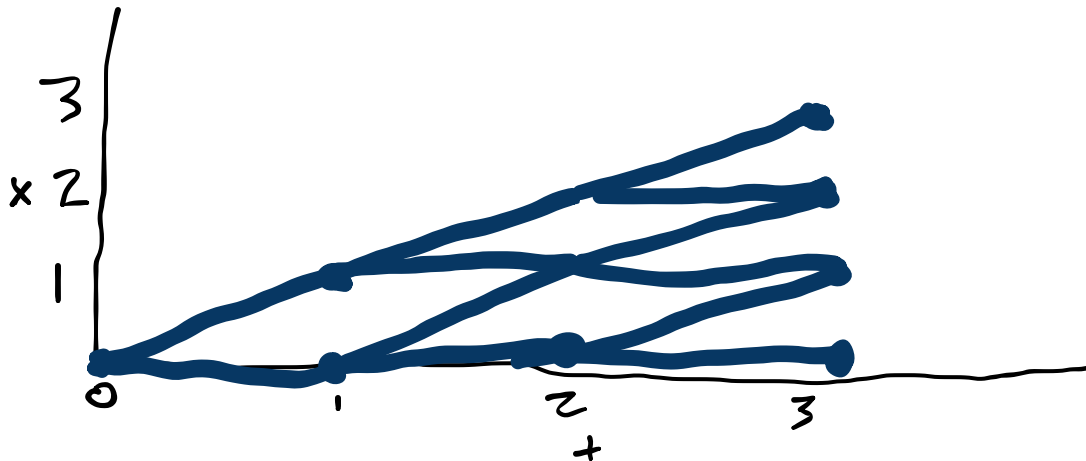
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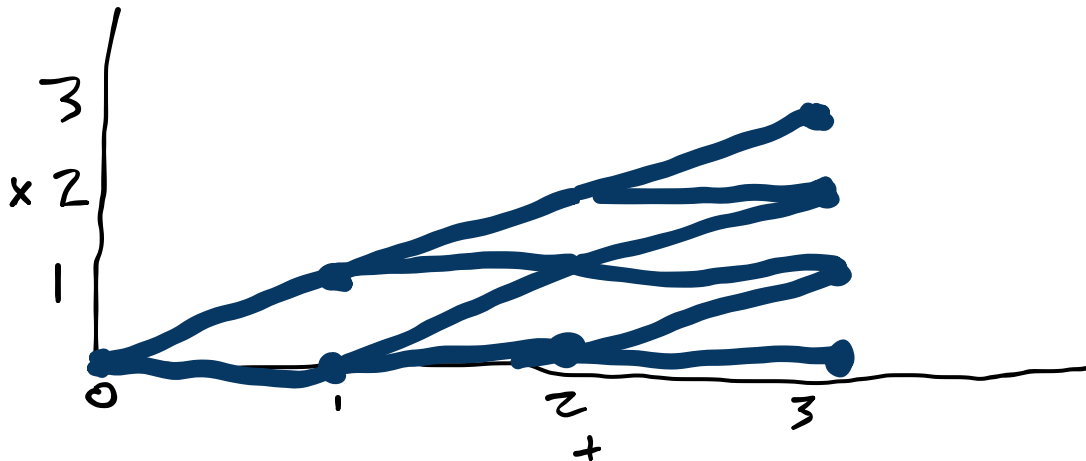
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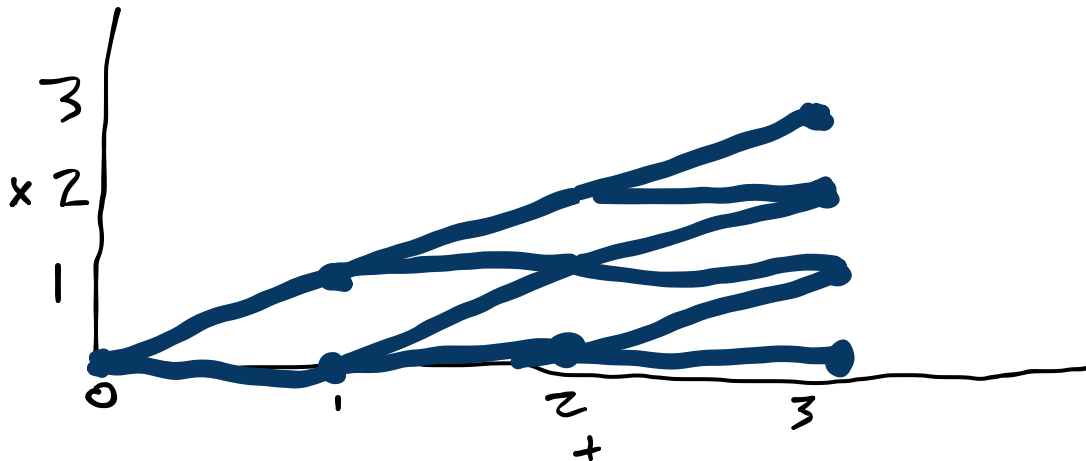
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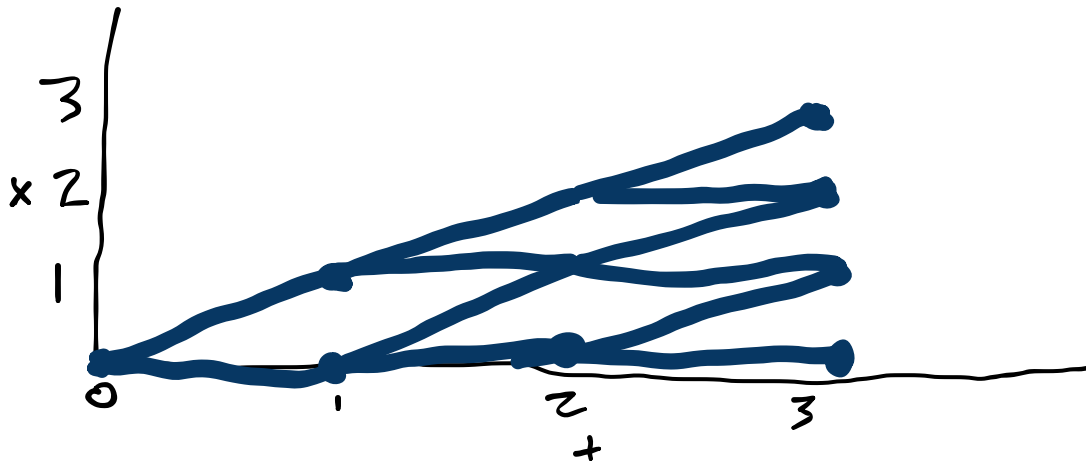
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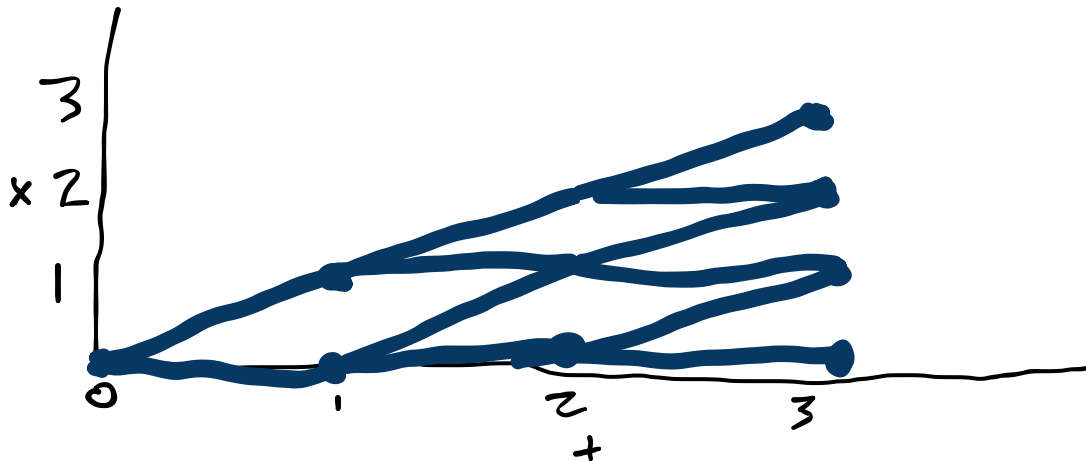
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x0	x1	x2	P(x1, x2, x3)
0	0	0	0.25
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Simulating a Stochastic Process

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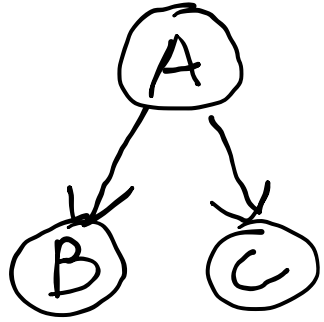
- Suppose you want to create a Markov model that describes how many new COVID cases will be detected on a particular day. What information should be in the state of the model?

Hidden Markov Model

(Often you can't measure the whole state)

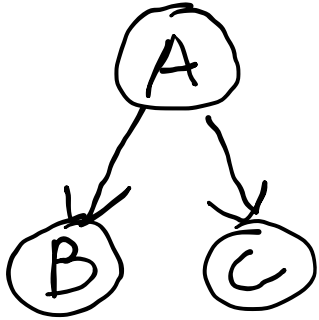
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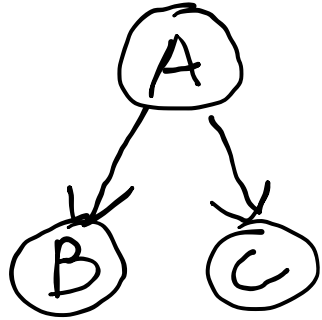
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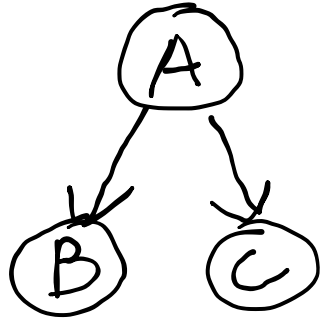
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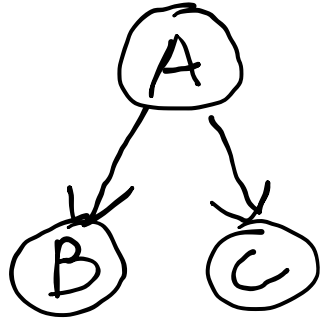
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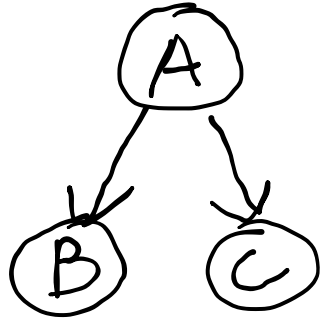


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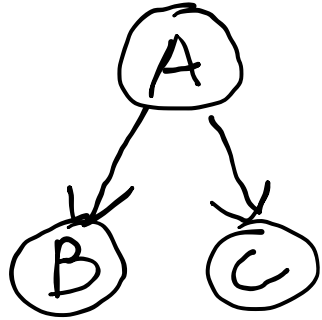


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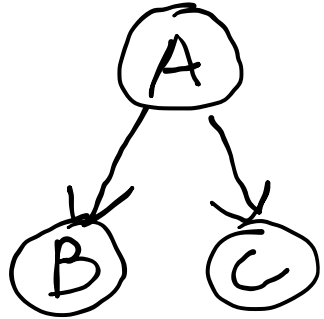
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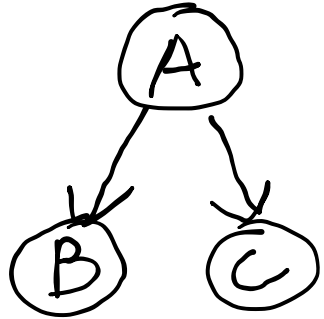
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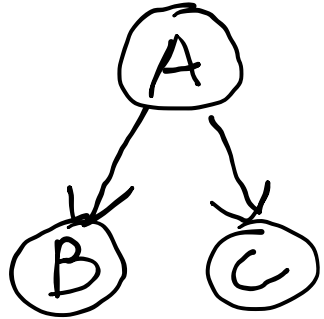
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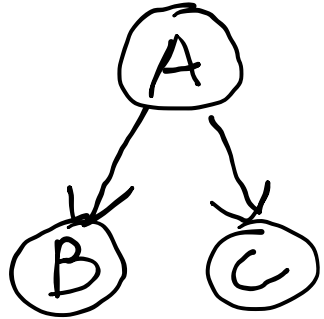
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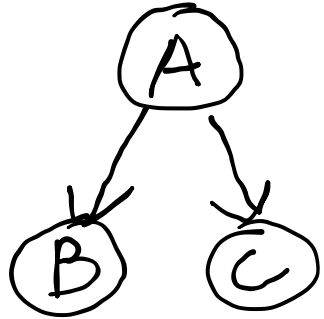
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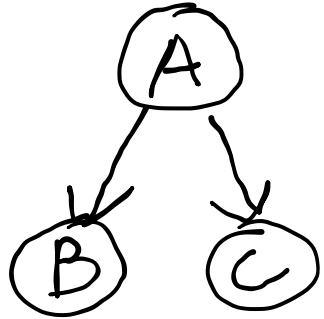


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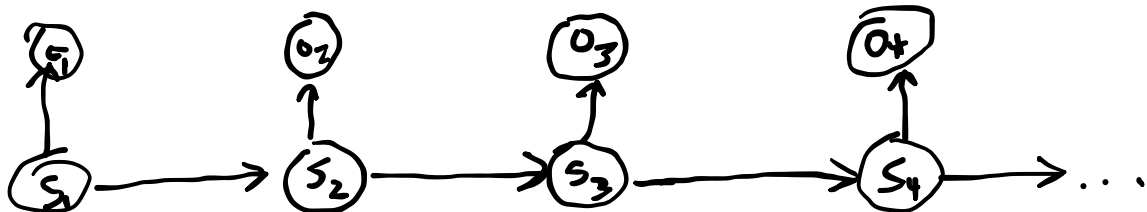
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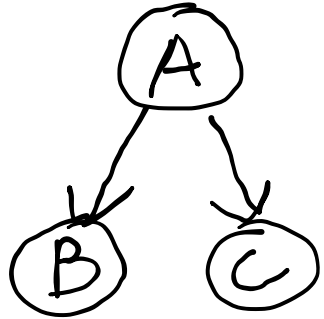


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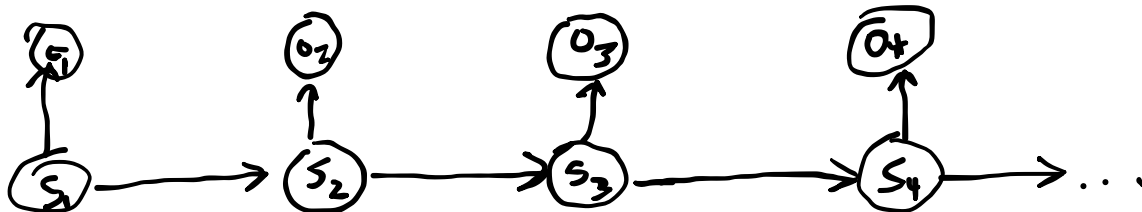
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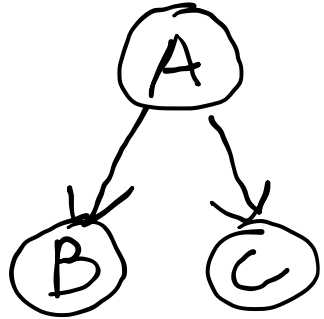
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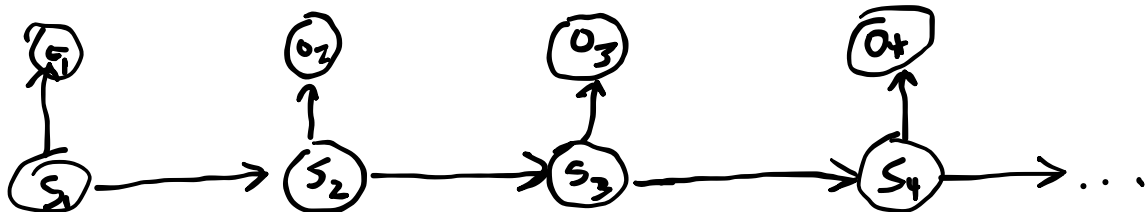
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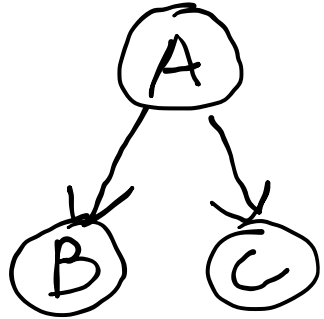


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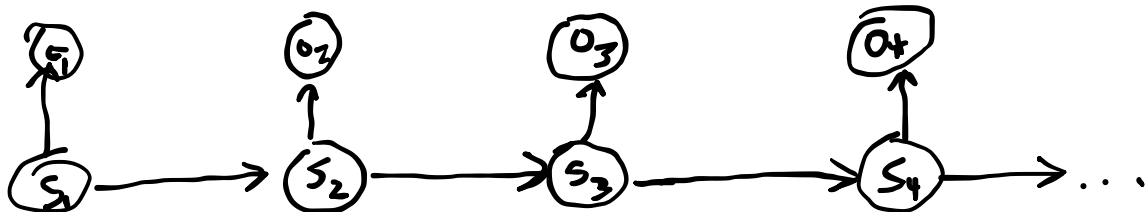
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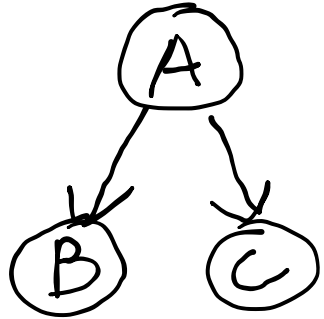
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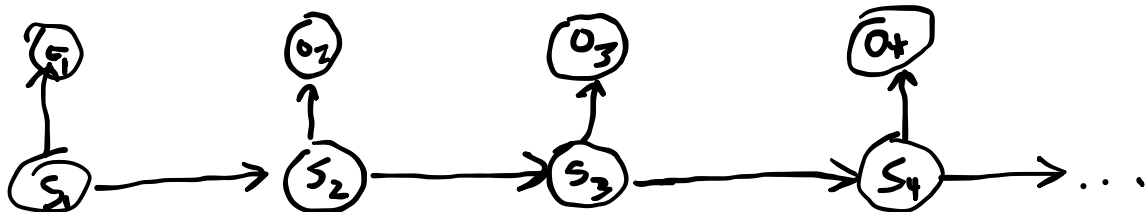
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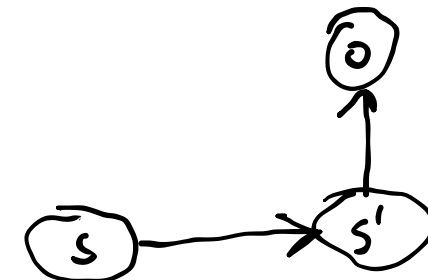


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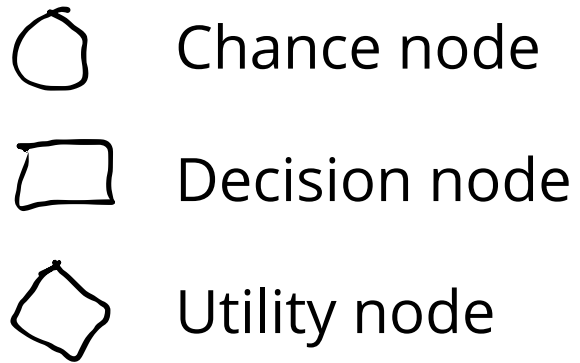
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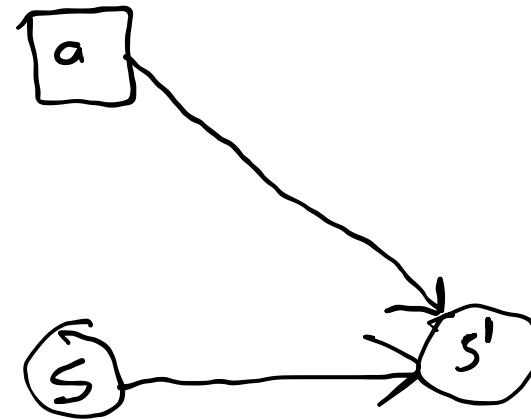


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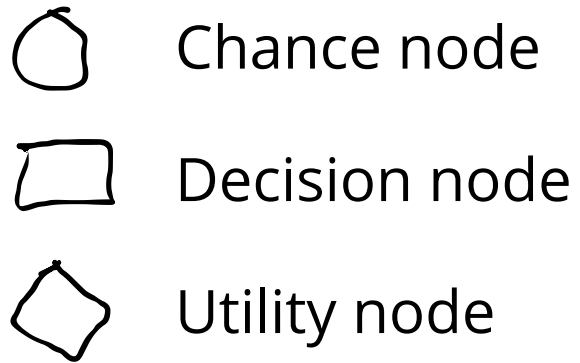


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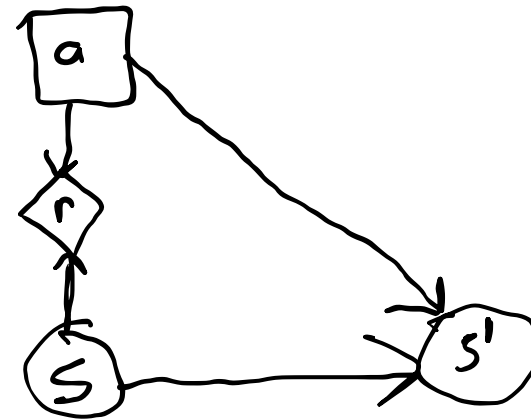


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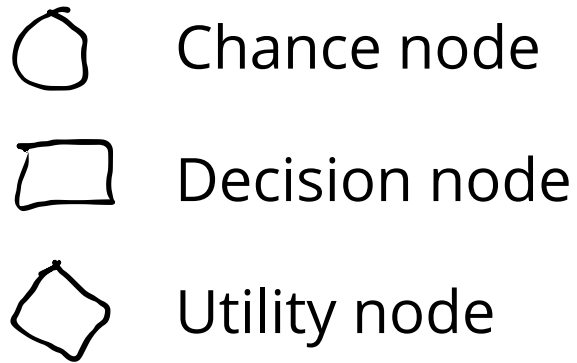


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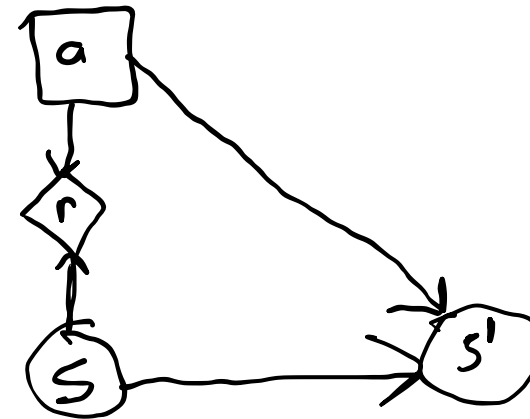


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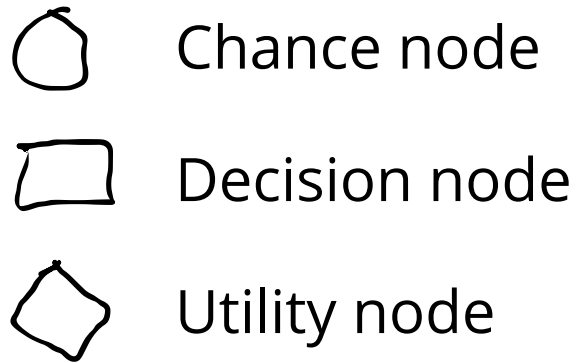
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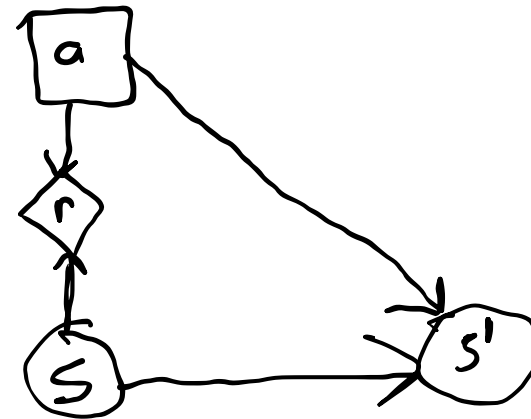
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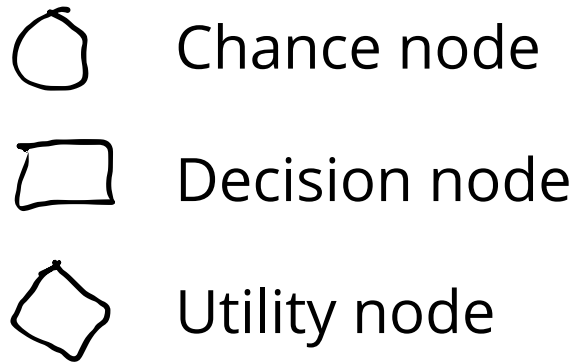


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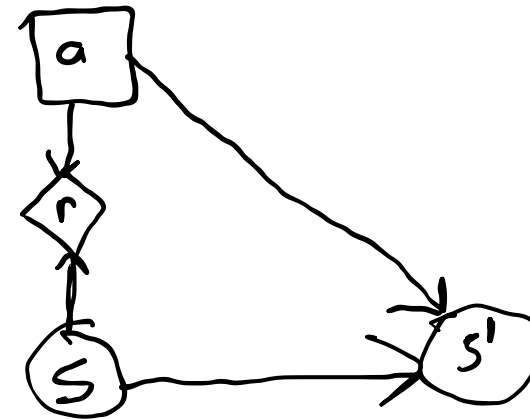
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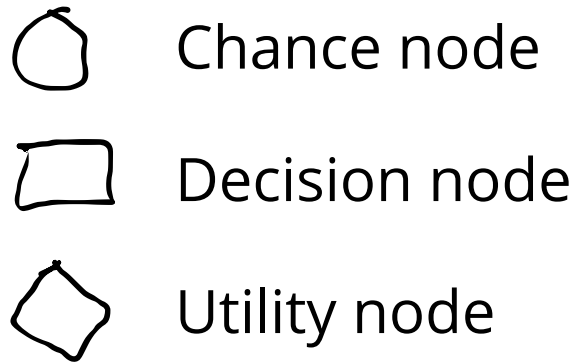


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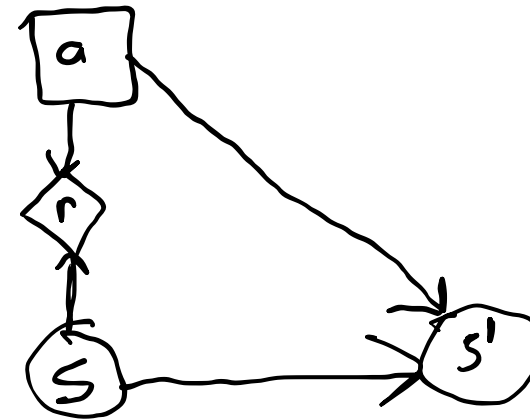
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Guiding Question

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