# Practice Question 1

## Causal Inference

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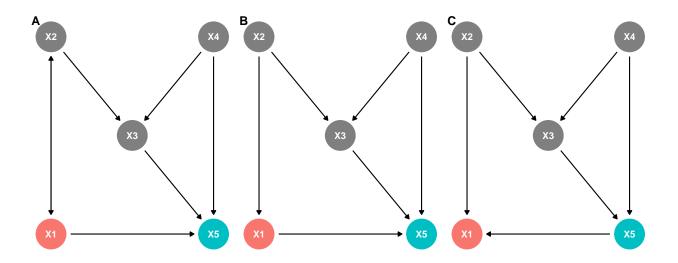


Figure 1: Directed Acyclic Graph (Exposure X1, Outcome X5)

# A. Directed Acyclic Graph

In figure 1, which diagram represents a directed acyclic graph?

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C

#### B. Continued

Why are the other options not DAG?

### C. Causal Paths

What is the number of path(s) in the DAG of figure 1?

- A) 0
- B) 1
- C) 2
- D) 3
- E) 4

### D. Closed Paths

How many of those path(s) are closed?

- A) 0
- B) 1
- C) 2
- D) 3
- E) 4

#### E. Back-Door Criterion

How many paths adhere to the back-door criterion?

- A) 0
- B) 1
- C) 2
- D) 3
- E) 4

### F. Valid Adjustment Sets

Which set(s) adhere to the back-door criterion? (Multiple options are possible)

- A) Ø
- B)  $\{X_2\}$
- C)  $\{X_3\}$
- D)  $\{X_4\}$
- E)  $\{X_2, X_3\}$ F)  $\{X_2, X_4\}$
- G)  $\{X_3, X_4\}$
- H)  $\{X_2, X_3, X_4\}$