

Random variable: **A** smokes or not



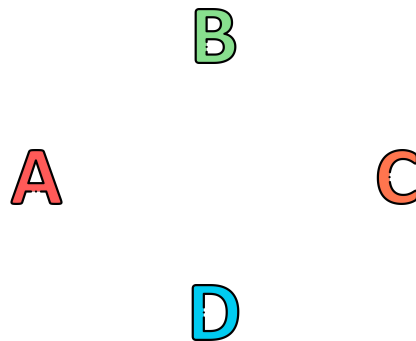
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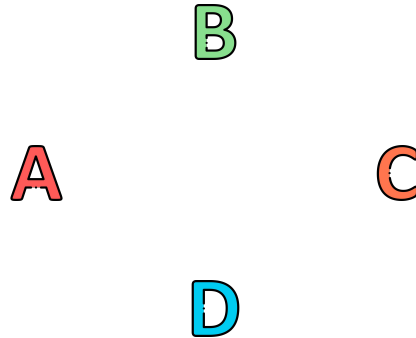
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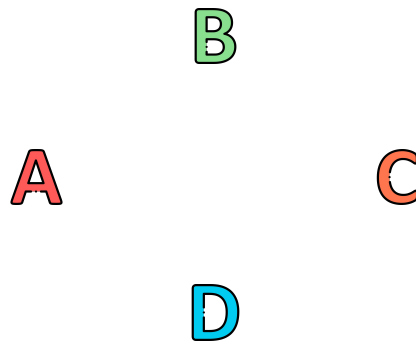
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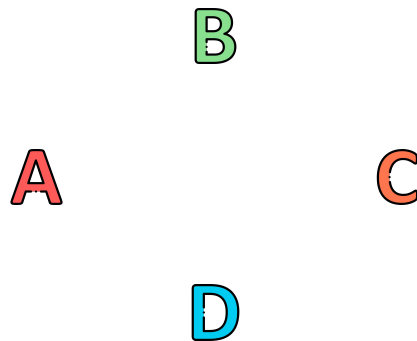
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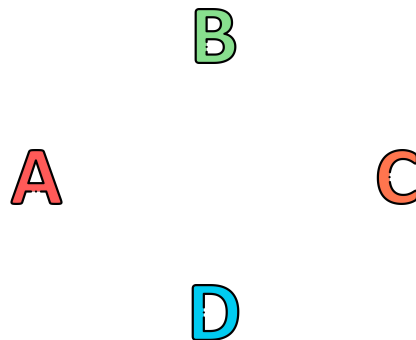


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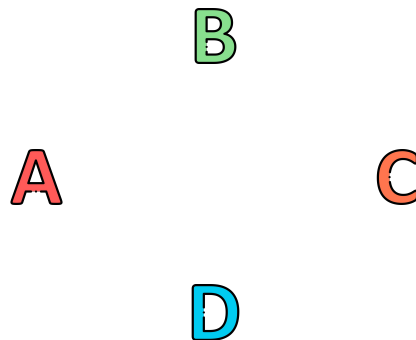
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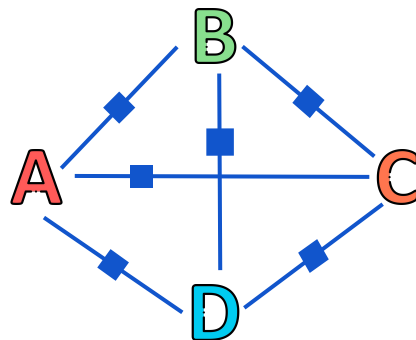
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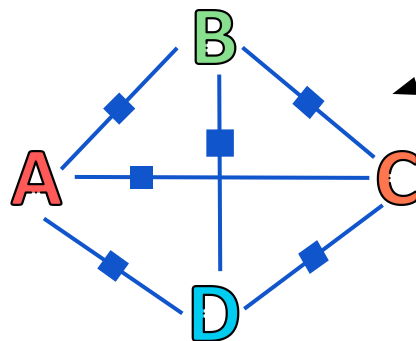
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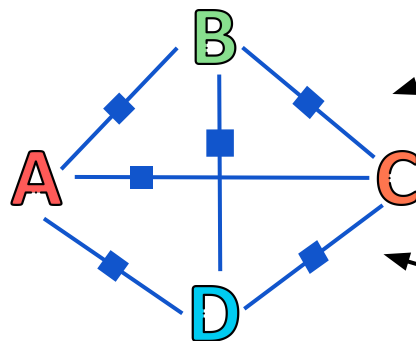
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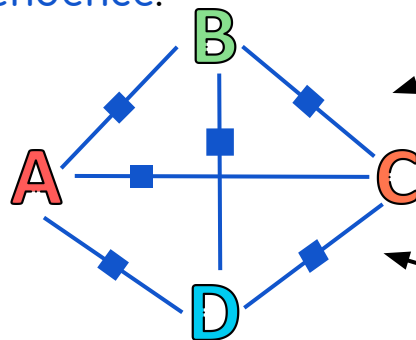
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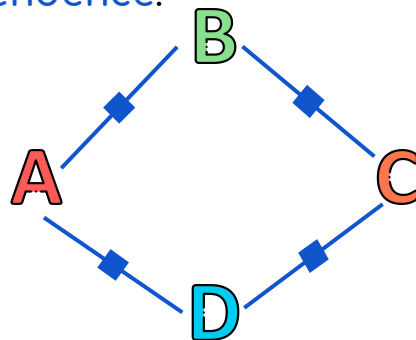
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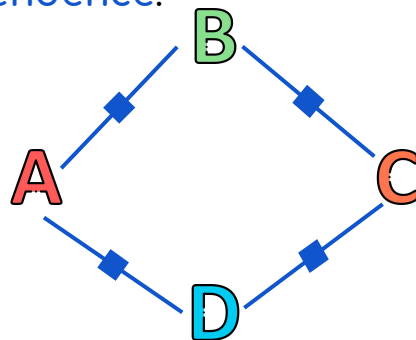
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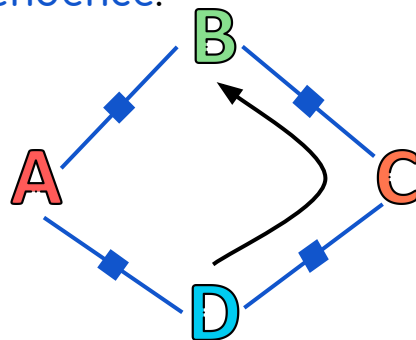
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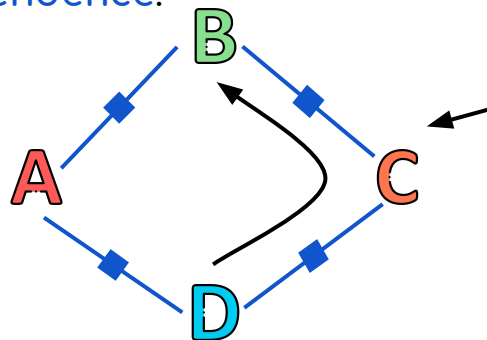
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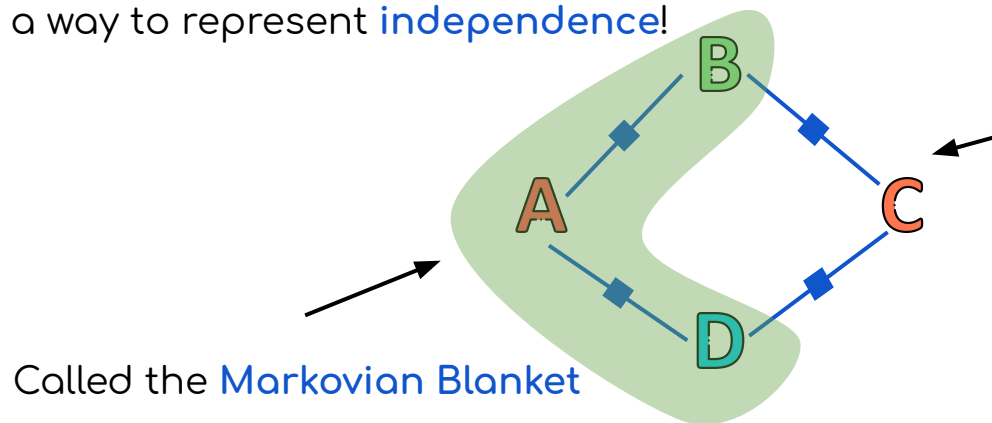
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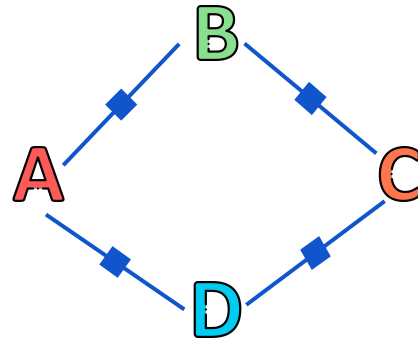
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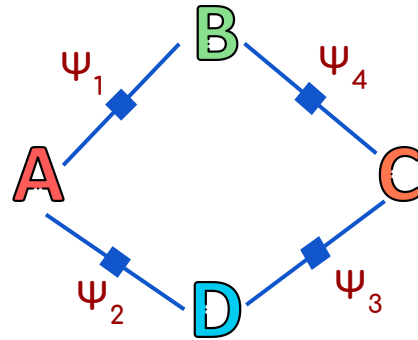
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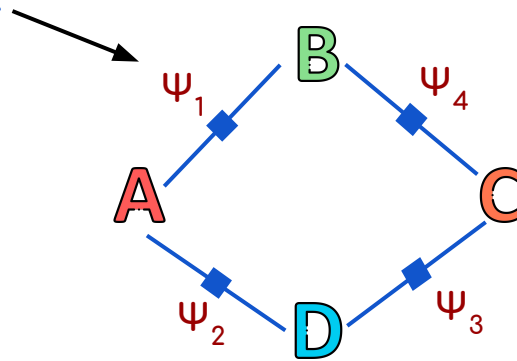
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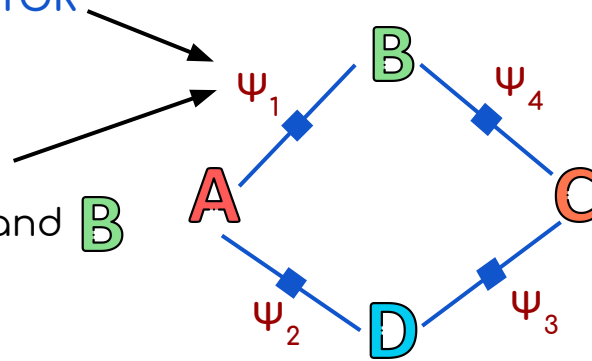




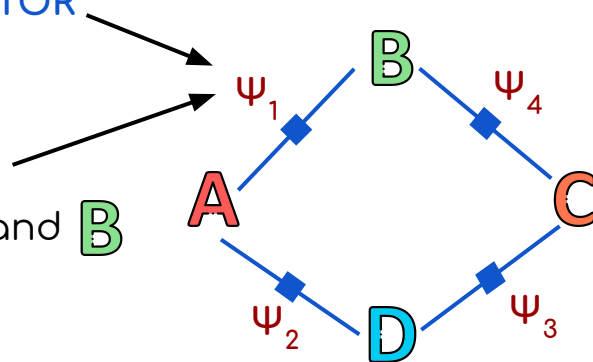
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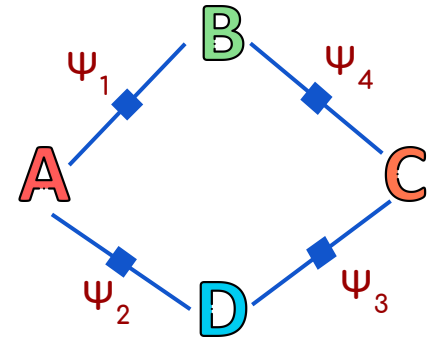


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**ASSUMPTION:** A given state of variables (we say a possible world) is **more likely iff** the overall compatibility is higher

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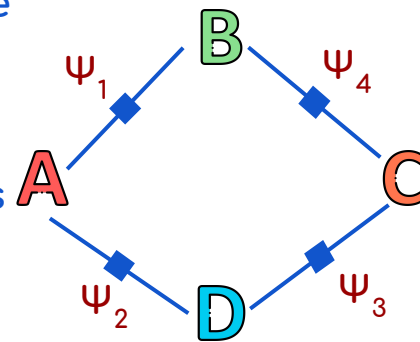




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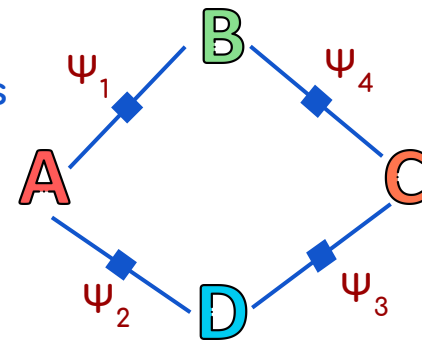
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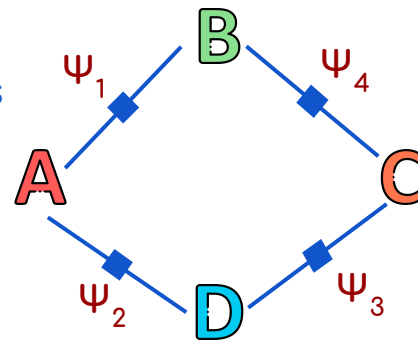
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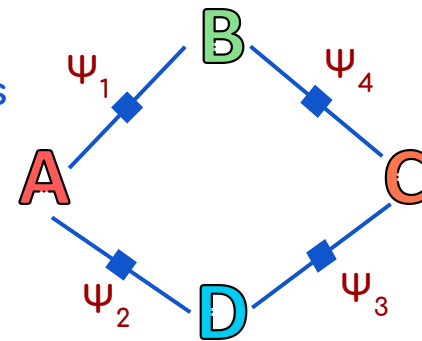
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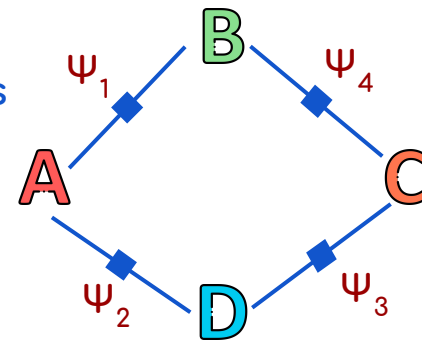
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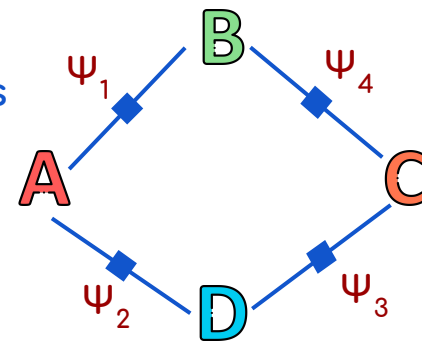
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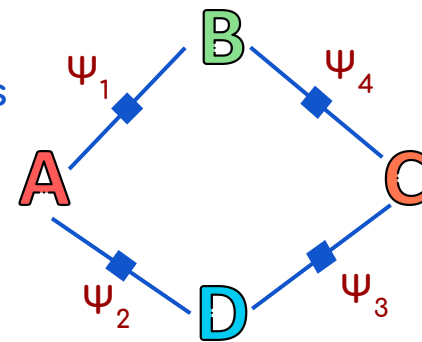
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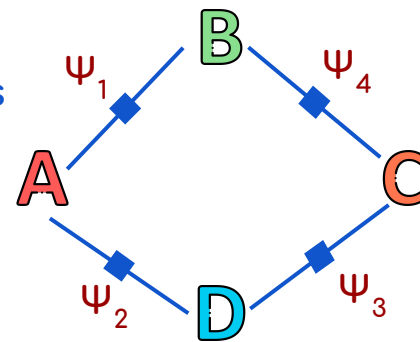
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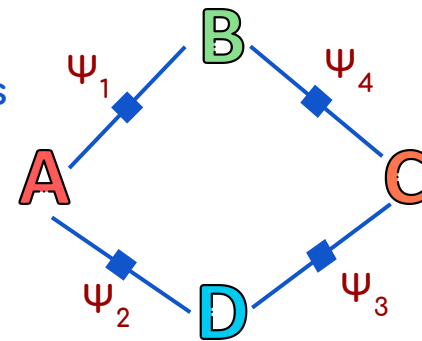
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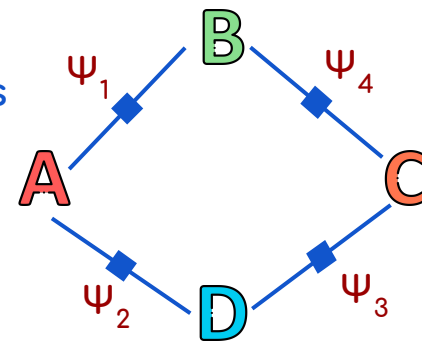
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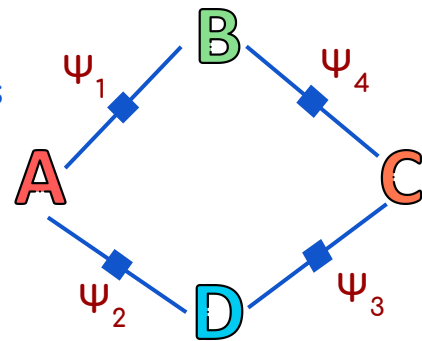
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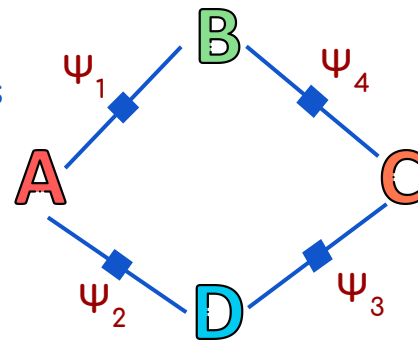
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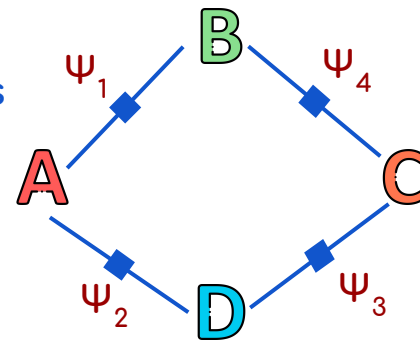
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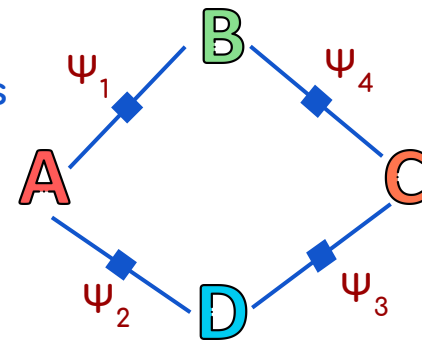
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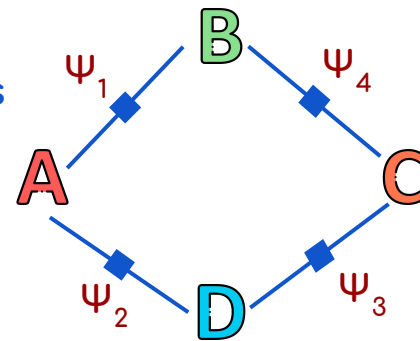


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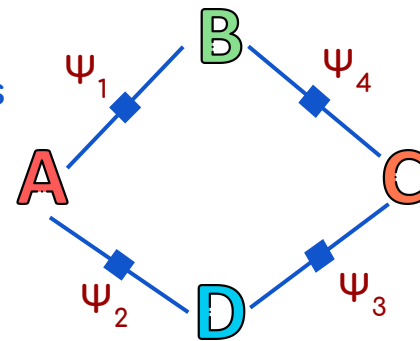
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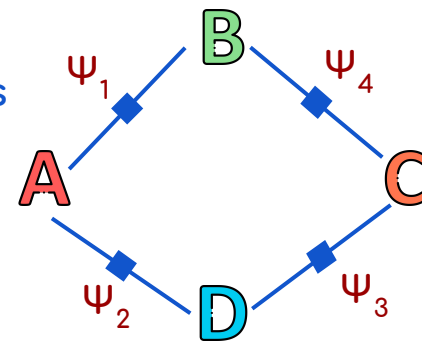
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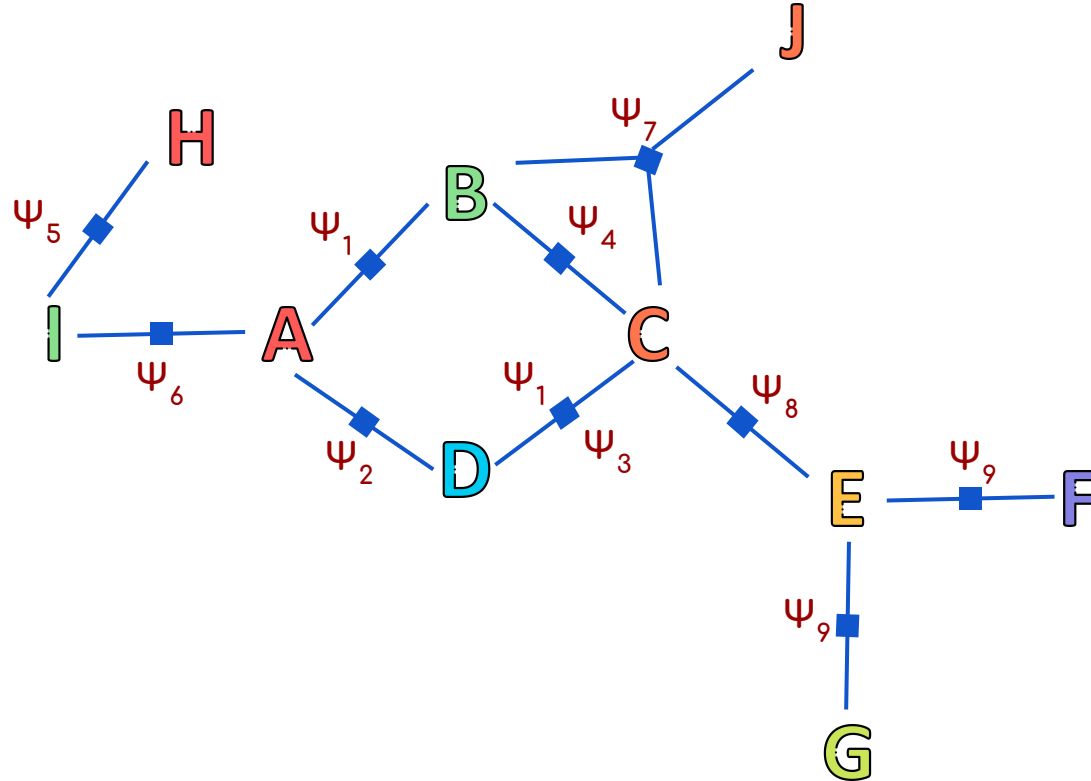
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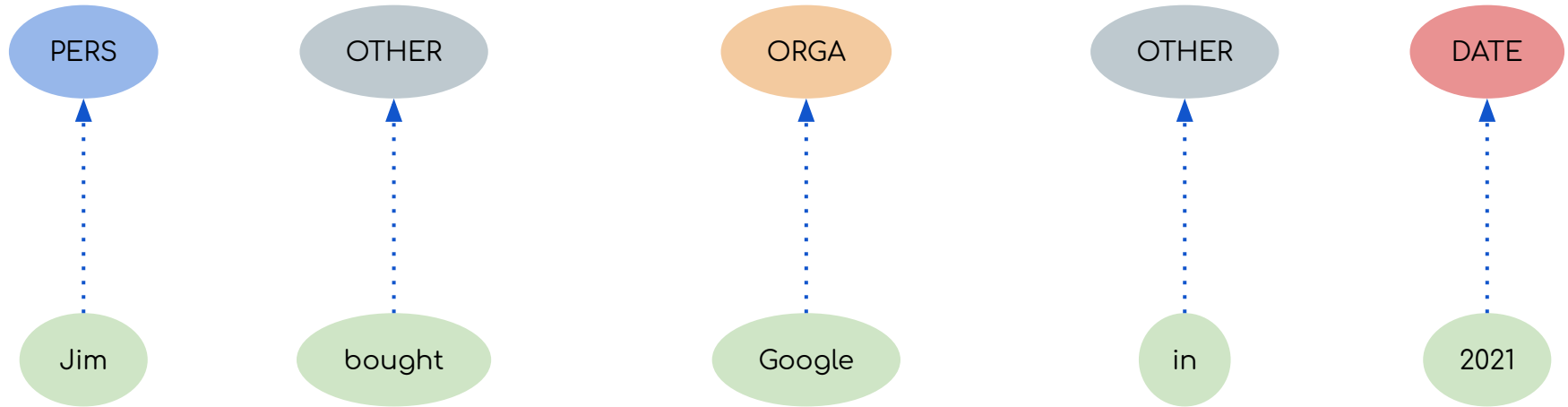
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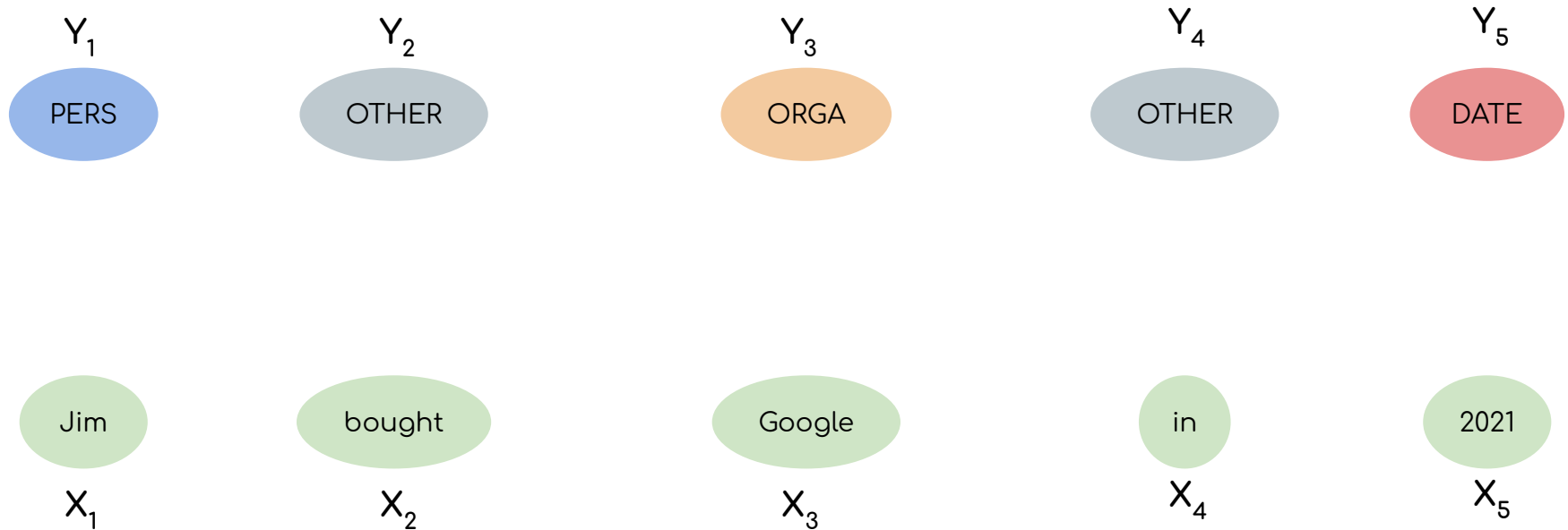
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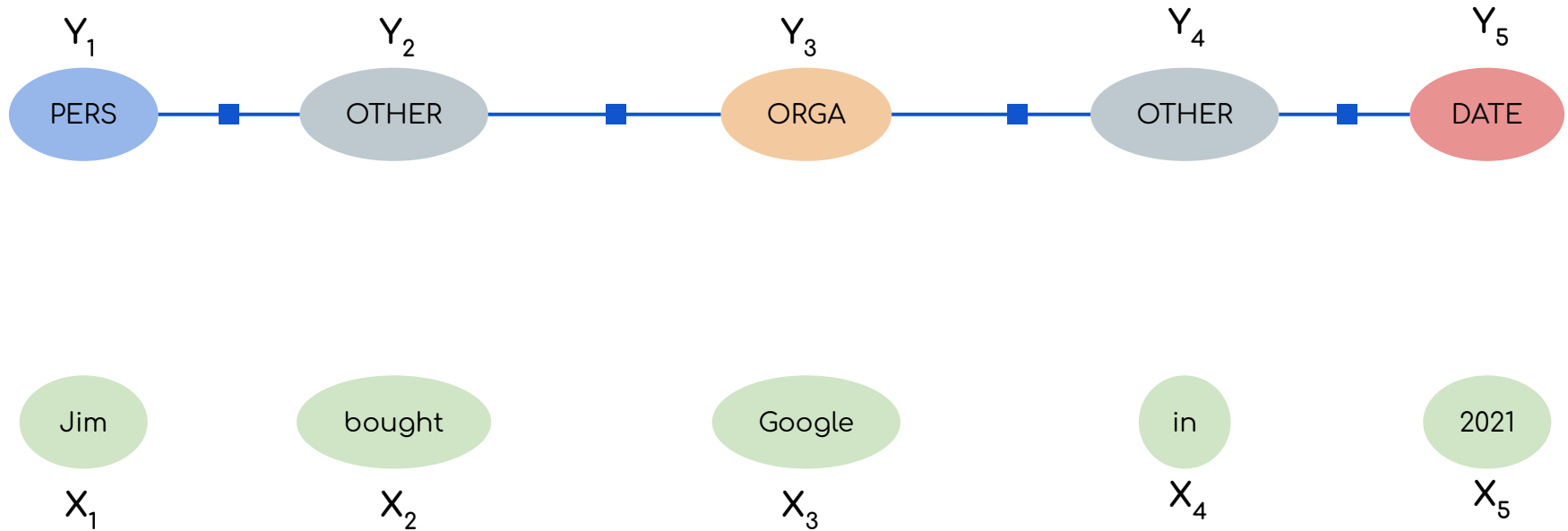
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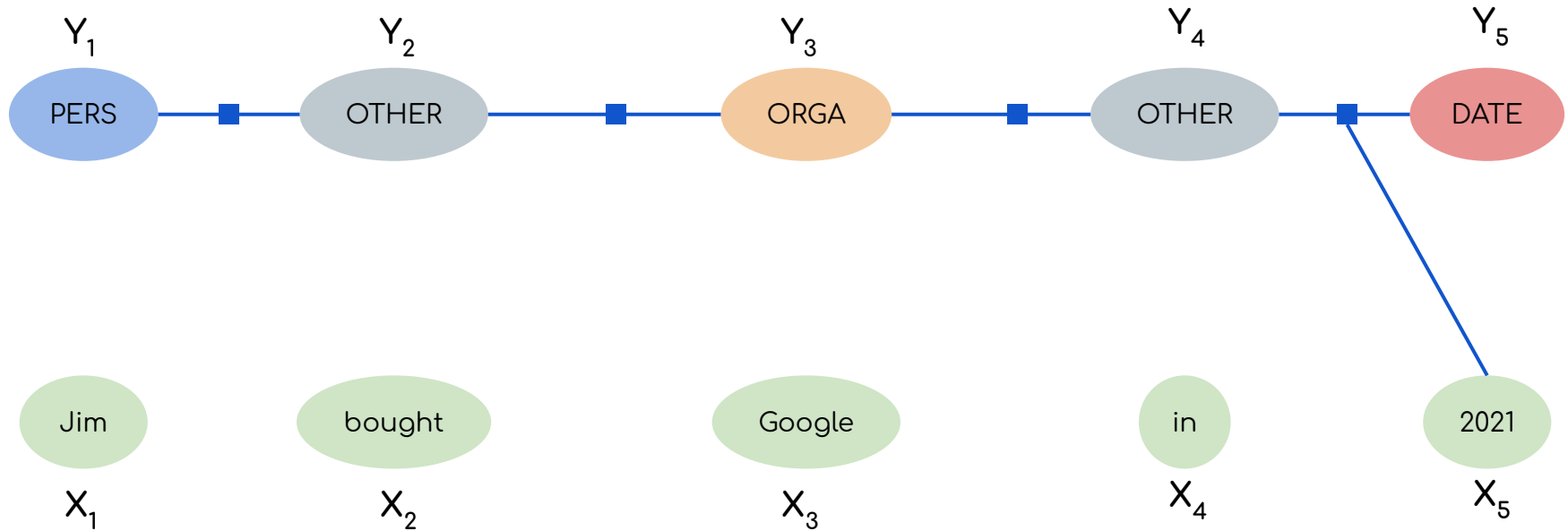
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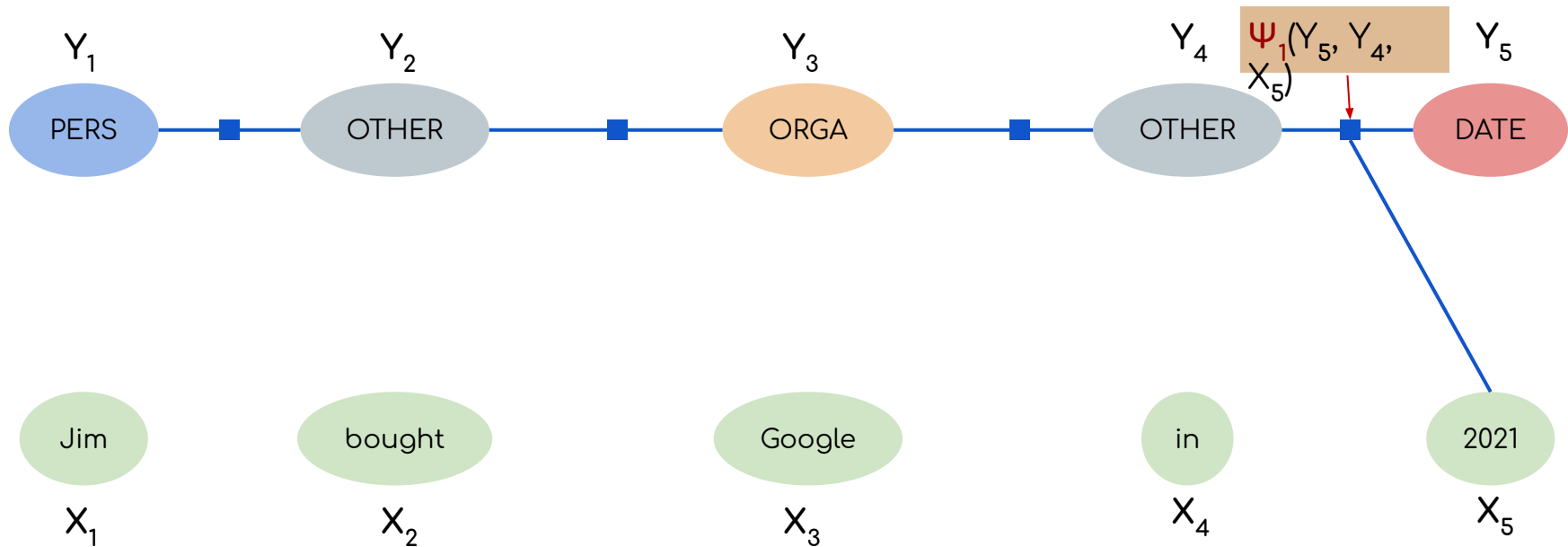




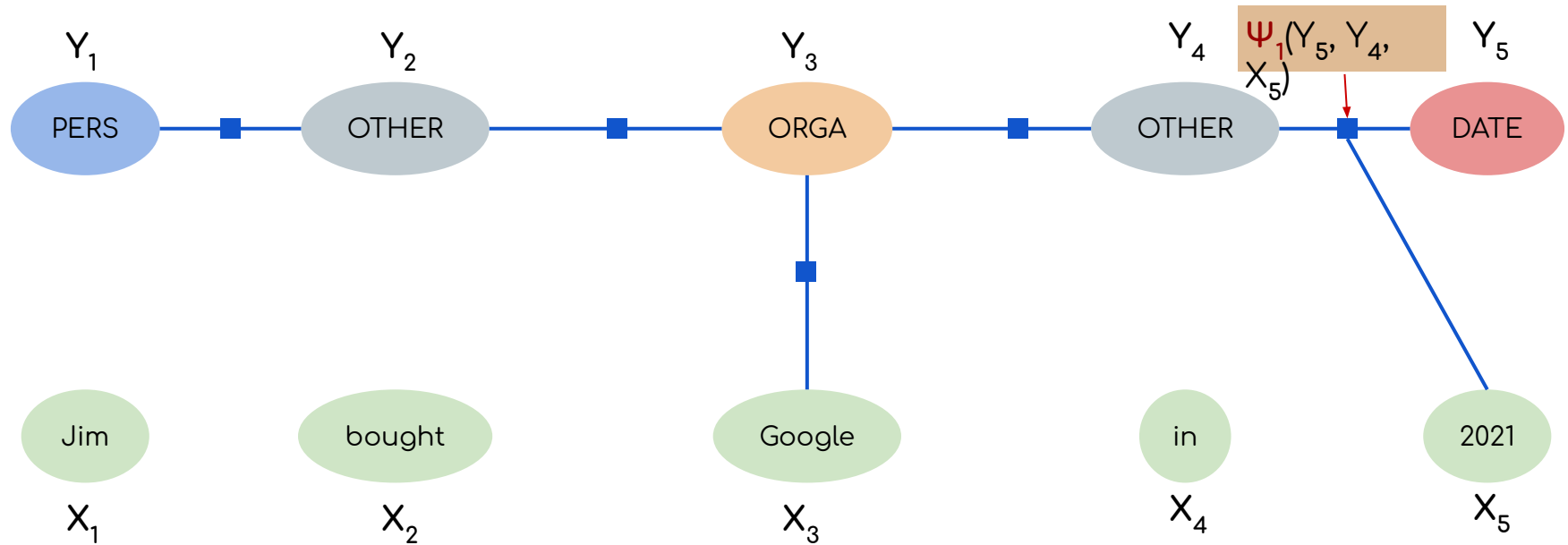




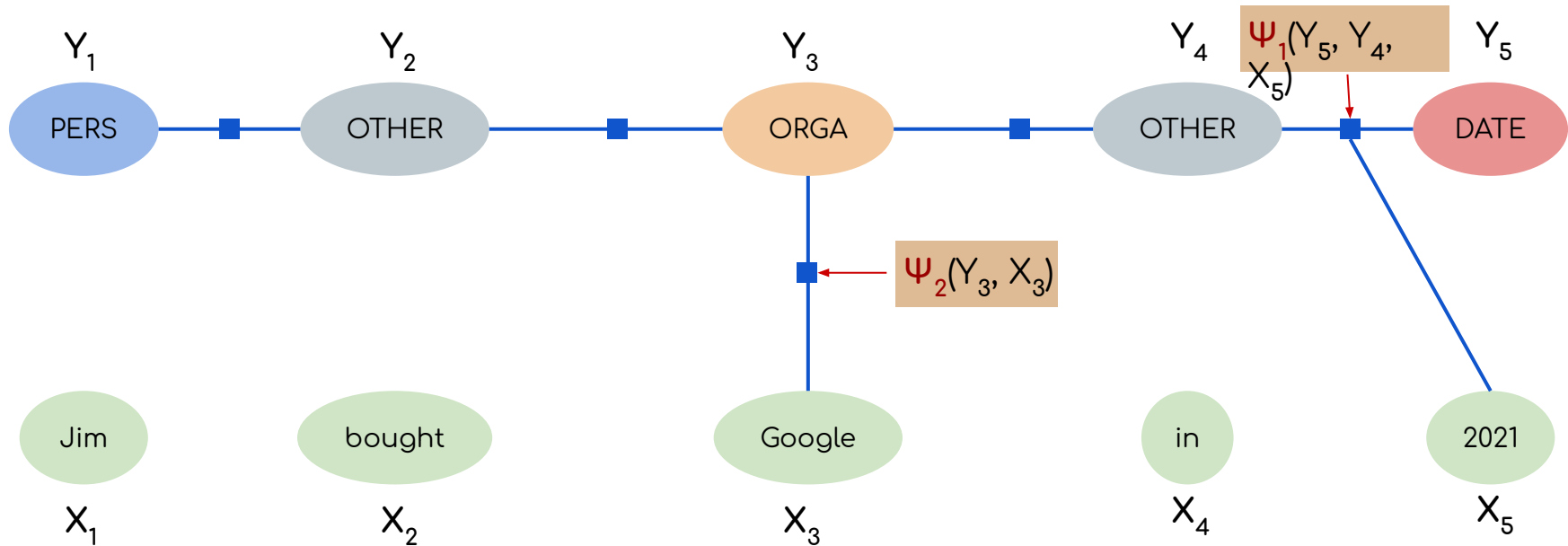




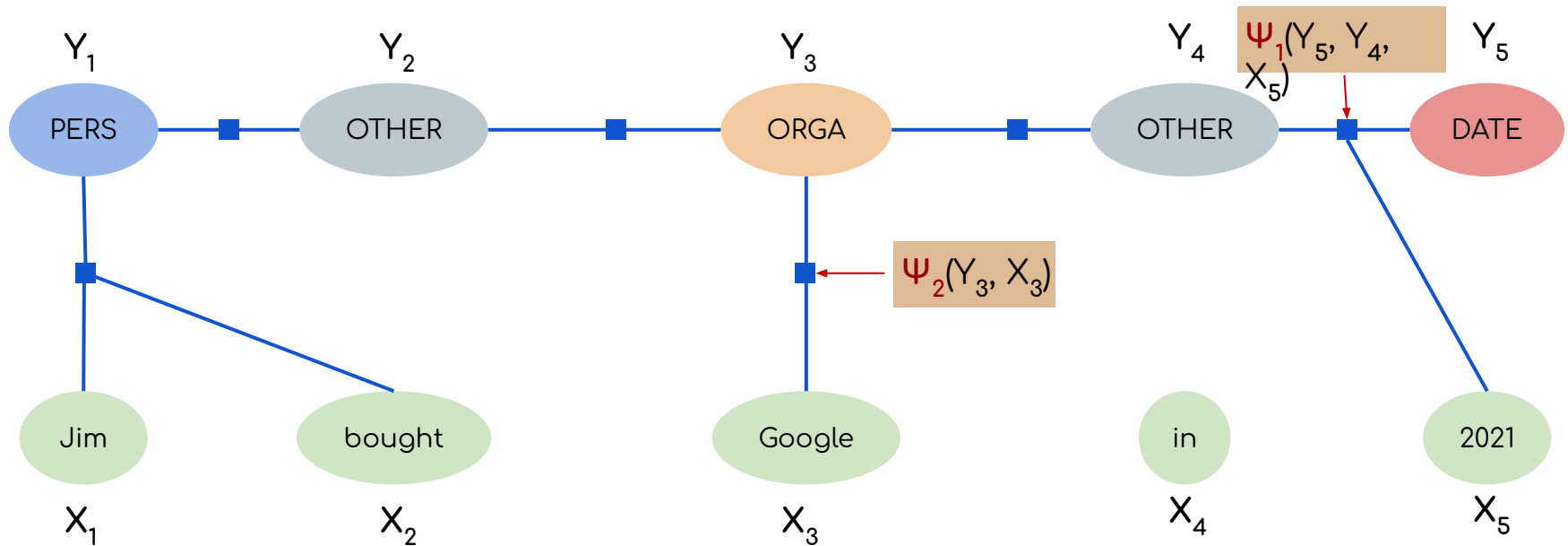
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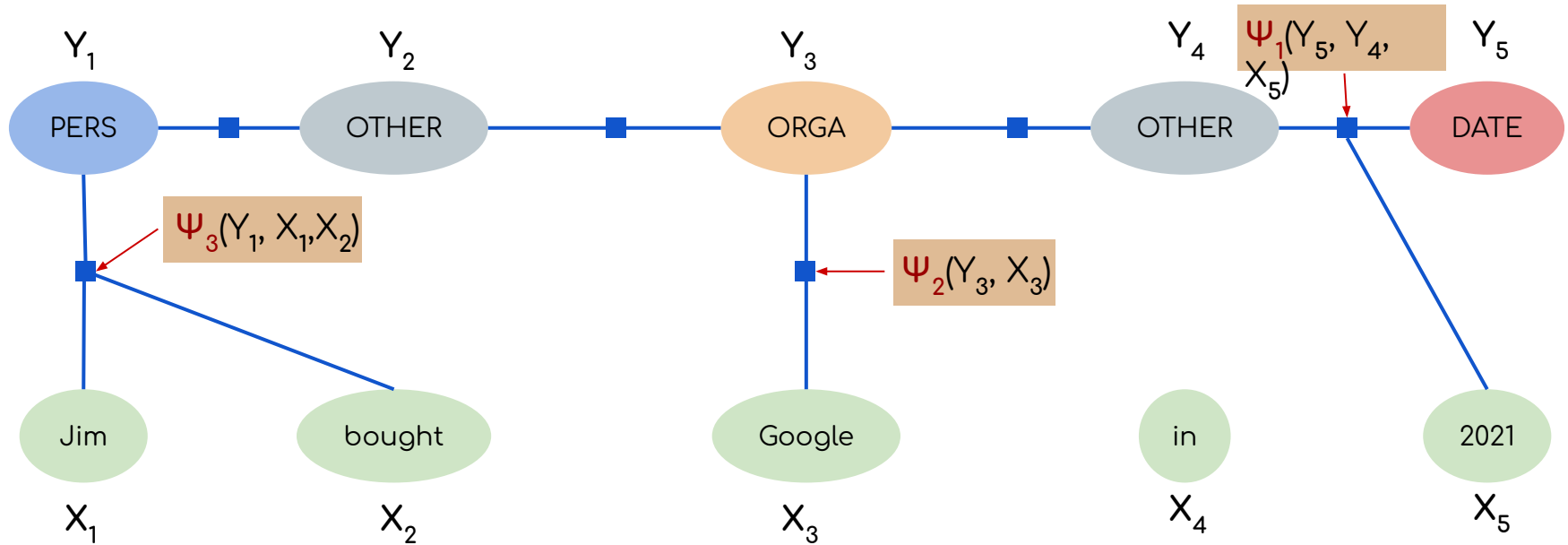




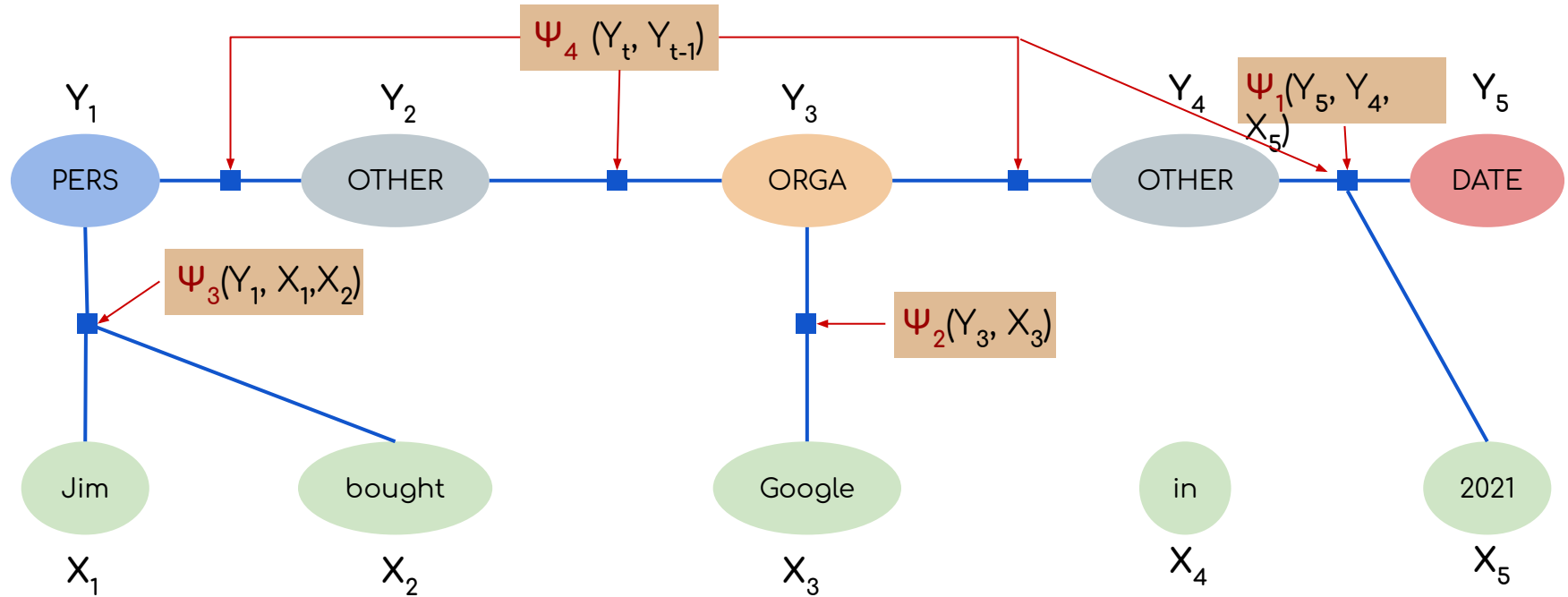


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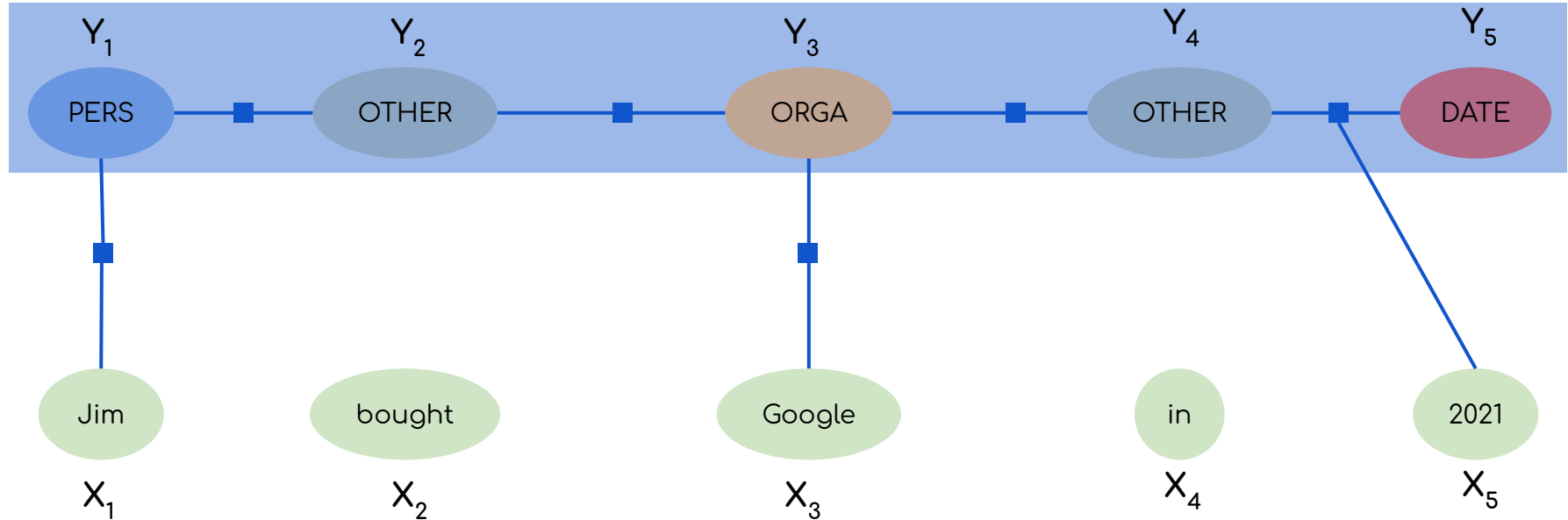


$\Psi_3(Y_1, X_1, X_2) = \theta_3$  if  $Y_1 = \text{'PERS'}$  and  $X_1$  belongs to a dictionary of names and  $X_2$  is a verb



$$\psi_4(Y_3, Y_2) = \theta_4 \text{ if } Y_2 = \text{'OTHER'} \text{ and } Y_3 = \text{'ORGA'}$$

We are interested in modeling  $P(Y | X)$  and not  $P(Y,X) \Rightarrow$  **CONDITIONAL**



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## Take away points:

- Factor models are a pattern recognition machine learning model for **structured prediction**
- CRF's model  $P(Y | X)$  where  $X$  is always observable and does not care about  $P(X)$  or  $P(X | Y)$  => A **discriminative model**, can use **complex features  $X$**  and **more efficient**, **BUT** always needs complete features  $X$  => **does not handle incomplete data** very well
- We use **linear chain CRF**'s (Every  $Y_t$  depends only on  $Y_{t-1}$  and  $Y_{t+1}$ ) for sequential tasks such as NER, Speech to text, ...

