

# **CS 480**

## ***Introduction to Artificial Intelligence***

**November 2nd, 2021**

# Announcements / Reminders

- **Programming Assignment #01:**
  - due: ~~October 17th~~ ~~October 22th~~ ~~October 24th~~ **November 3rd**,  
11:00 PM CST
- **Programming Assignment #02:**
  - TBA
- **Written Assignment #03:**
  - TBA

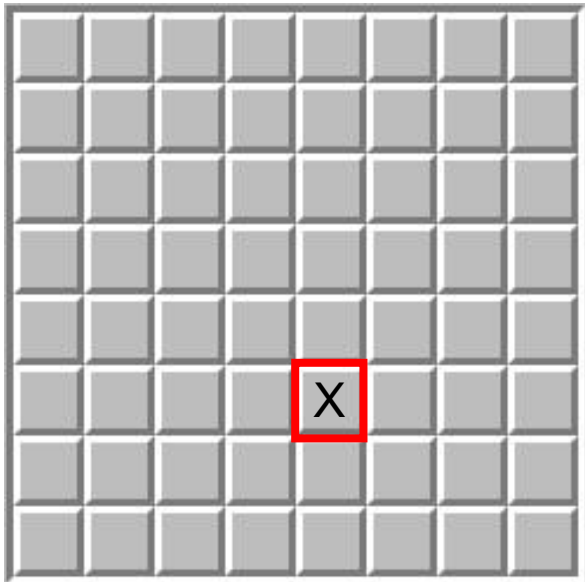
# Plan for Today

- **Conditional Independence revisited**
  - **Markov models [BONUS MATERIAL]**
- **Fuzzy logic [BONUS MATERIAL]**
- **Making simple decisions**

# Playing Minesweeper with Bayes' Rule

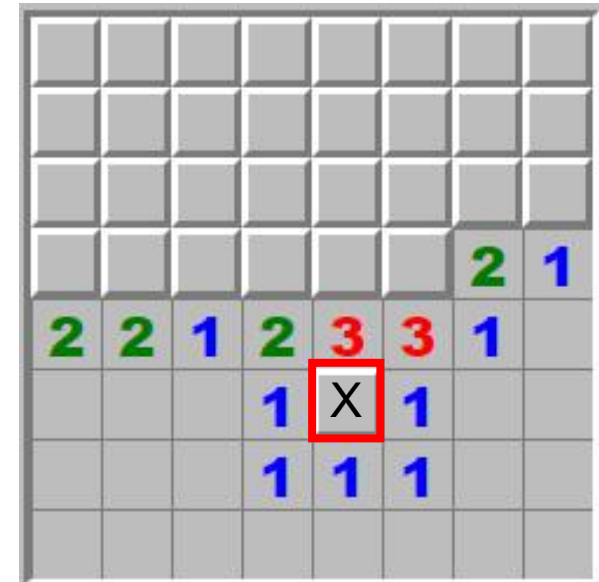
Prior probability / belief:

$$P(X = \text{mine}) = 0.5$$

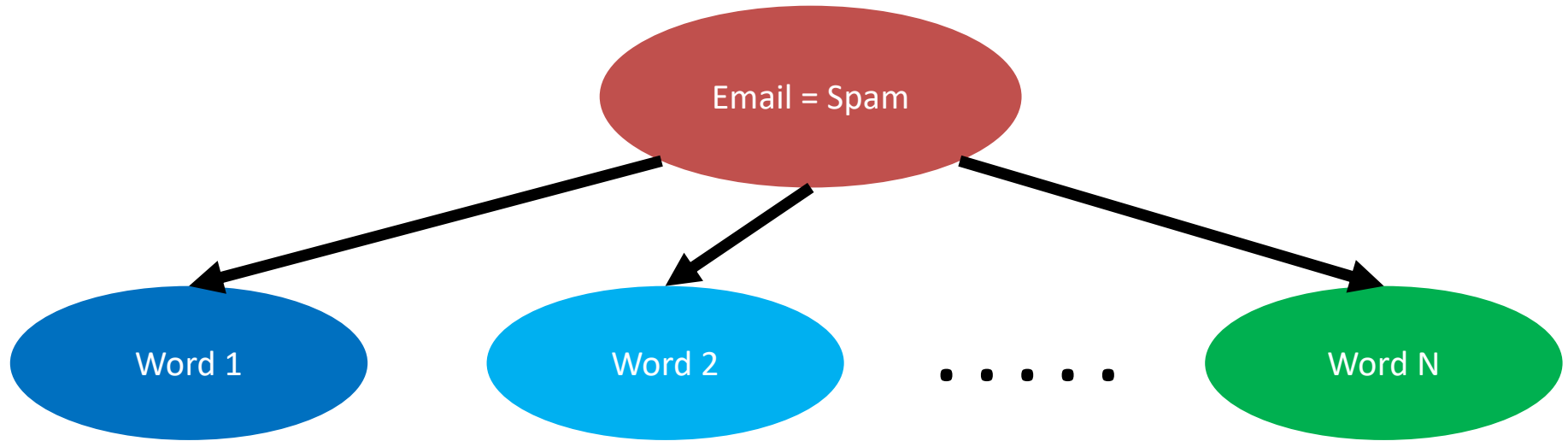


Posterior probability / belief:

$$P(X = \text{mine} \mid \text{evidence}) = 1.0$$



# Naive Bayes Spam Filter



$$P(\text{Email} = \text{spam} \mid \text{Word1}) = 0.09$$

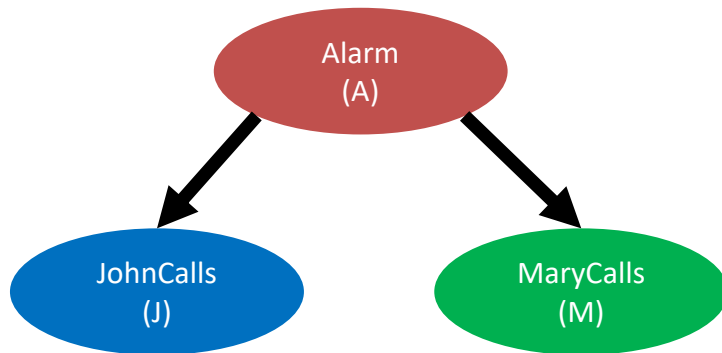
$$P(\text{Email} = \text{spam} \mid \text{Word2}) = 0.01$$

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$$P(\text{Email} = \text{spam} \mid \text{WordN}) = 0.03$$

# Conditional Independence

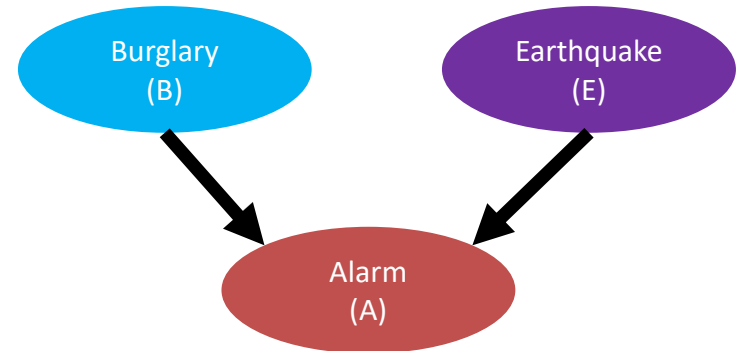
Common **Cause**:



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**JohnCalls** and **MaryCalls** are **CONDITIONALLY**  
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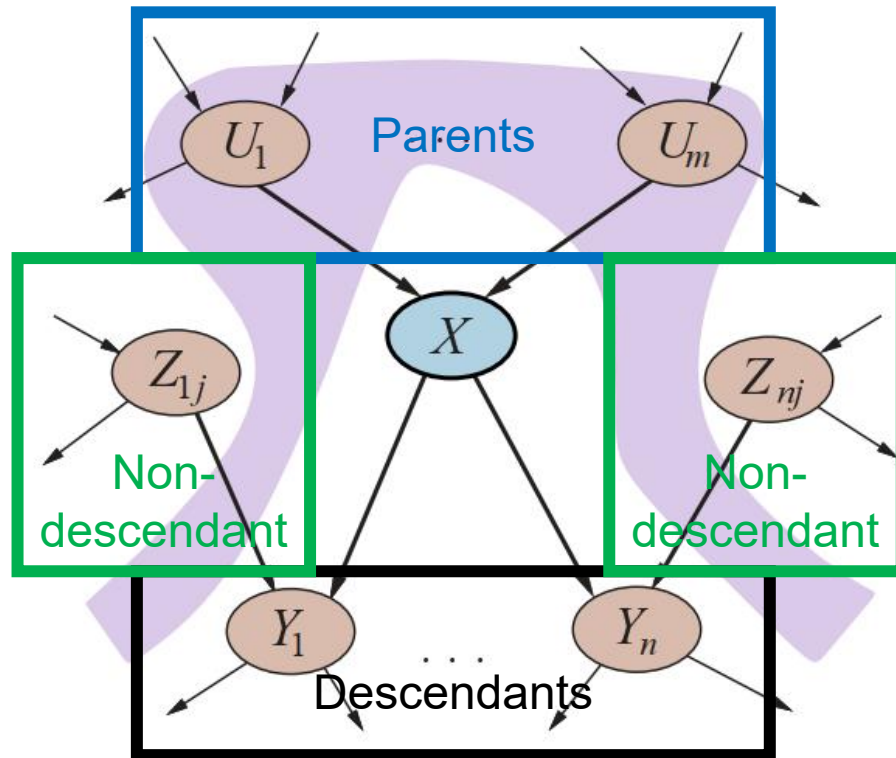
Common **Effect**:



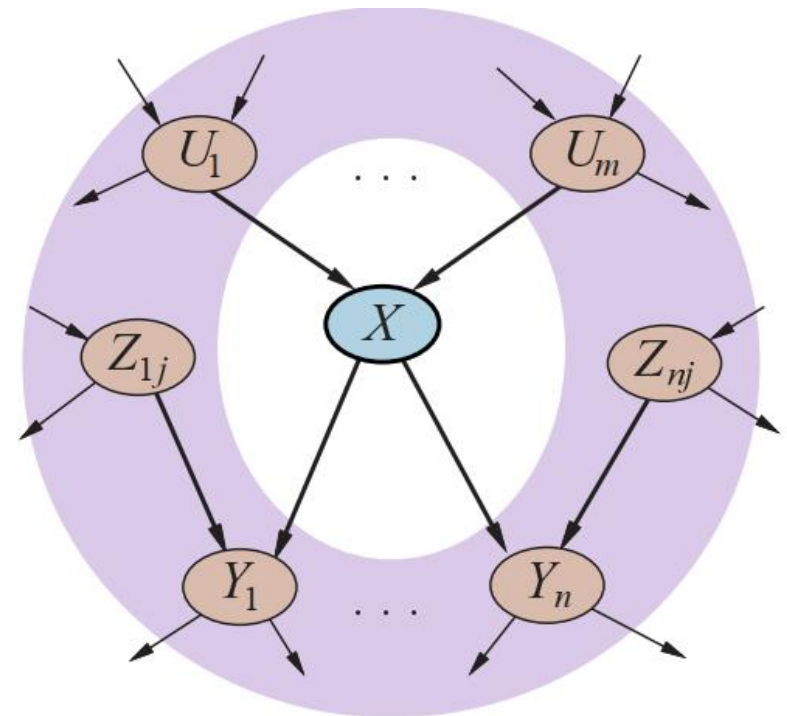
**Burglary** and **Earthquake**  
are independent

**Burglary** and **Earthquake** are **NOT**  
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# Conditional Independence



Node  $X$  is conditionally independent of its **non-descendants** given its **parents**.



Node  $X$  is conditionally independent of ALL other nodes in the network given its **Markov blanket**.

## Why do we care?

An unconstrained joint probability distribution with  $N$  **binary** variables involves  $2^N$  probabilities. Bayesian network with at most  $k$  parents per each node ( $N$ ) involves  $N * 2^k$  probabilities ( $k < N$ ).

# Chain Rule

Conditional probabilities can be used to decompose conjunctions using the chain rule. For any propositions

$f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$ :

$$P(f_1 \wedge f_2 \wedge \dots \wedge f_n) =$$

$$P(f_1) *$$

$$P(f_2 \mid f_1) *$$

$$P(f_3 \mid f_1 \wedge f_2) *$$

...

$$P(f_n \mid f_1 \wedge \dots \wedge f_{n-1}) =$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(f_i \mid \text{Parents}(f_i)) \quad \leftarrow \text{Enabled by conditional independence}$$



# Conditional Independence

Causal Chain:



$$P(M \mid A, B) = \frac{P(A, B, M)}{P(A, B)} = \frac{P(B) * P(A \mid B) * P(M \mid A)}{P(B) * P(A \mid B)} = P(M \mid A)$$

**Burglary** and **MaryCalls** are **CONDITIONALLY** independent given **Alarm**.

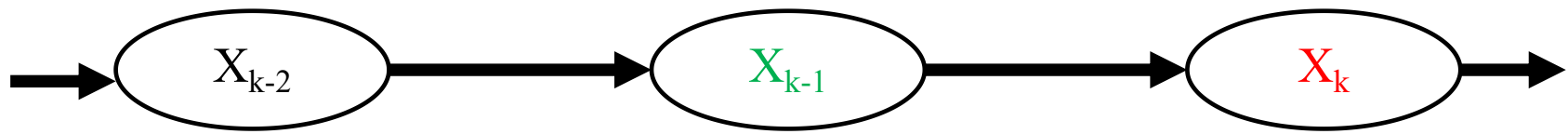
If **Alarm** is given, what “happened before” does not directly influence **MaryCalls**.

# BONUS MATERIAL

# Markov Chains / Markov Property

A sequence of random variables  $\{X_i\}$  is called a **Markov chain** if it has the **Markov property** (memoryless property):

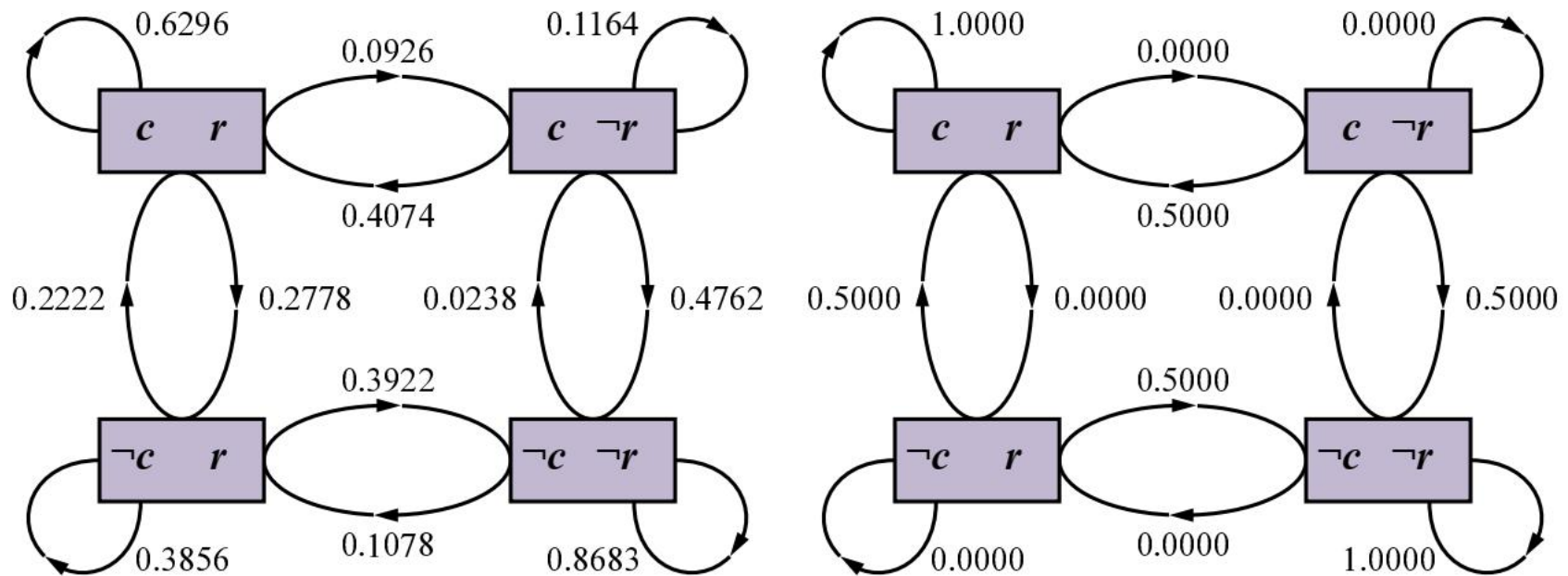
$$P(X_k = a \mid X_{k-1} = b, X_{k-2} = c, \dots, X_1 = z) = P(X_k = a \mid X_{k-1} = b)$$



# Markov Model

A **Markov model** is a stochastic model used to model (pseudo-) randomly changing systems.

Its key feature is the **assumption that future states depend only on the current state, not on the events that occurred before it** (it assumes the **Markov property**).



Check out this demo: <https://setosa.io/ev/markov-chains/>

# Unknown Joint Probability Distribution

What if you don't know joint probability and direct sampling is difficult?

## **N** Random Variables

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true	true	true	...	true	true	???
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...	...	...	...	...	...	???
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# Unknown Joint Probability Distribution

If you know the conditionals you can simulate a sequence of observation by sampling from conditional probability distribution (using Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods, such as Gibbs algorithm).

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# Fuzzy Logic: the Idea

- Boolean (“crisp”) logic

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- Fuzzy (many valued) logic

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cold

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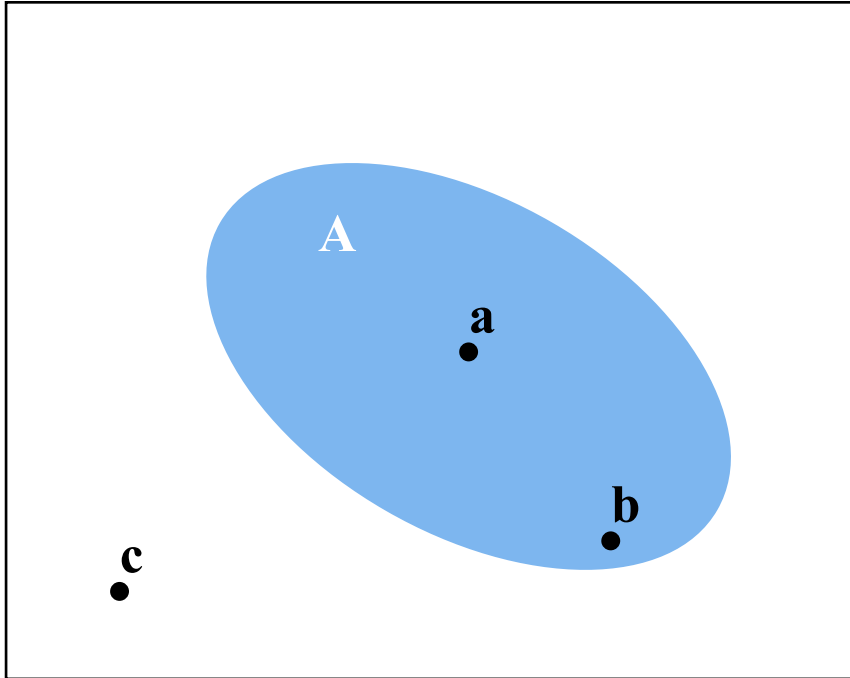
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# Fuzzy Logic: Fuzzy Sets

## “Crisp” Set A

an element is a set member or not



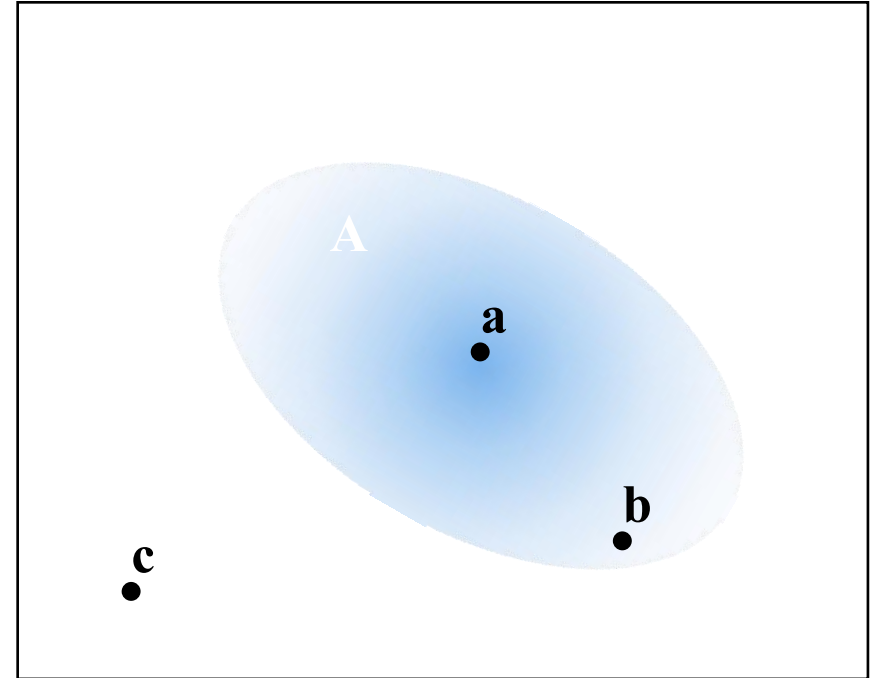
$$a \in A$$

$$b \in A$$

$$c \notin A$$

## Fuzzy Set A:

an element is a set member  
with some membership degree  $\mu$

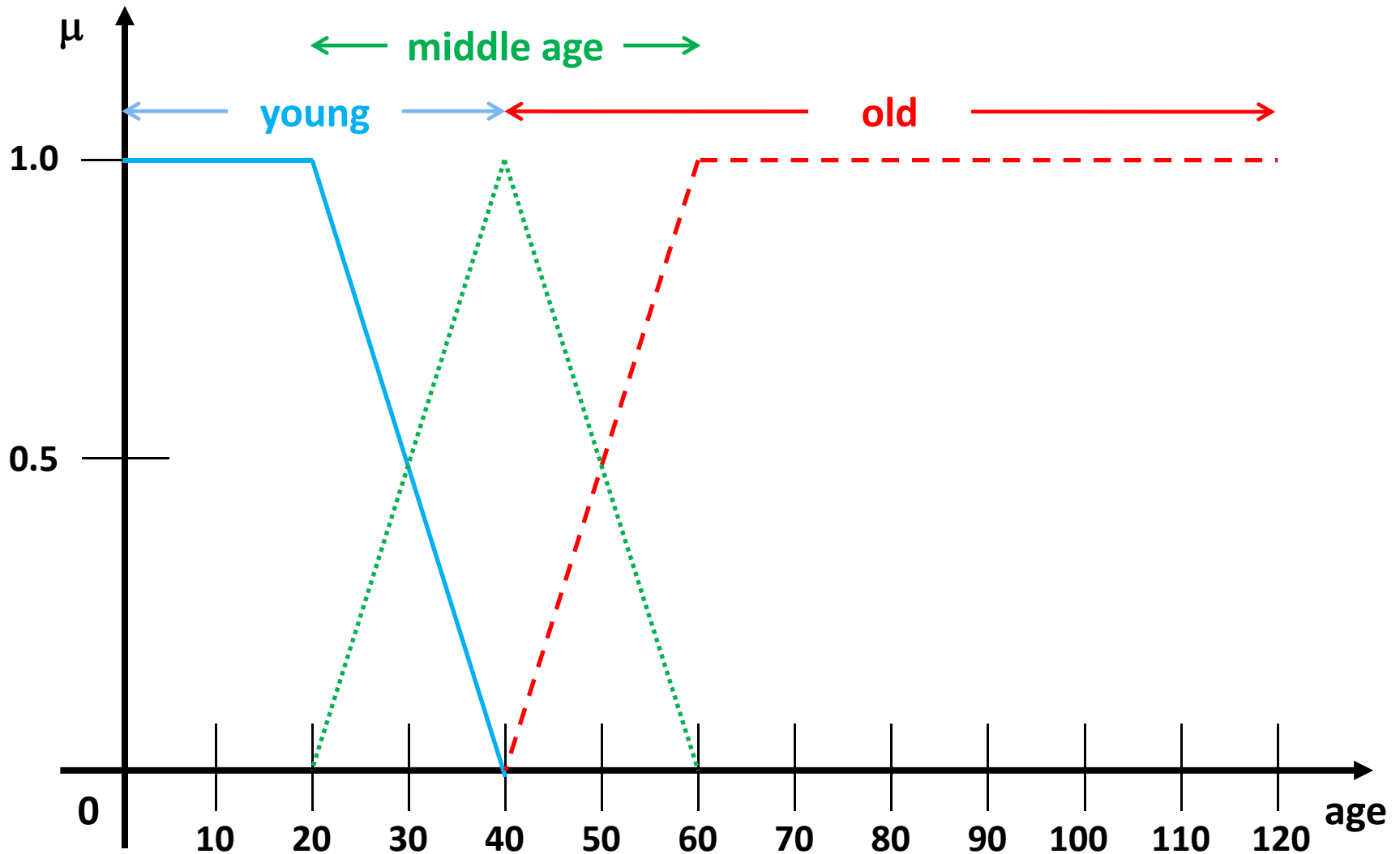


$$\mu(a) = 1.0$$

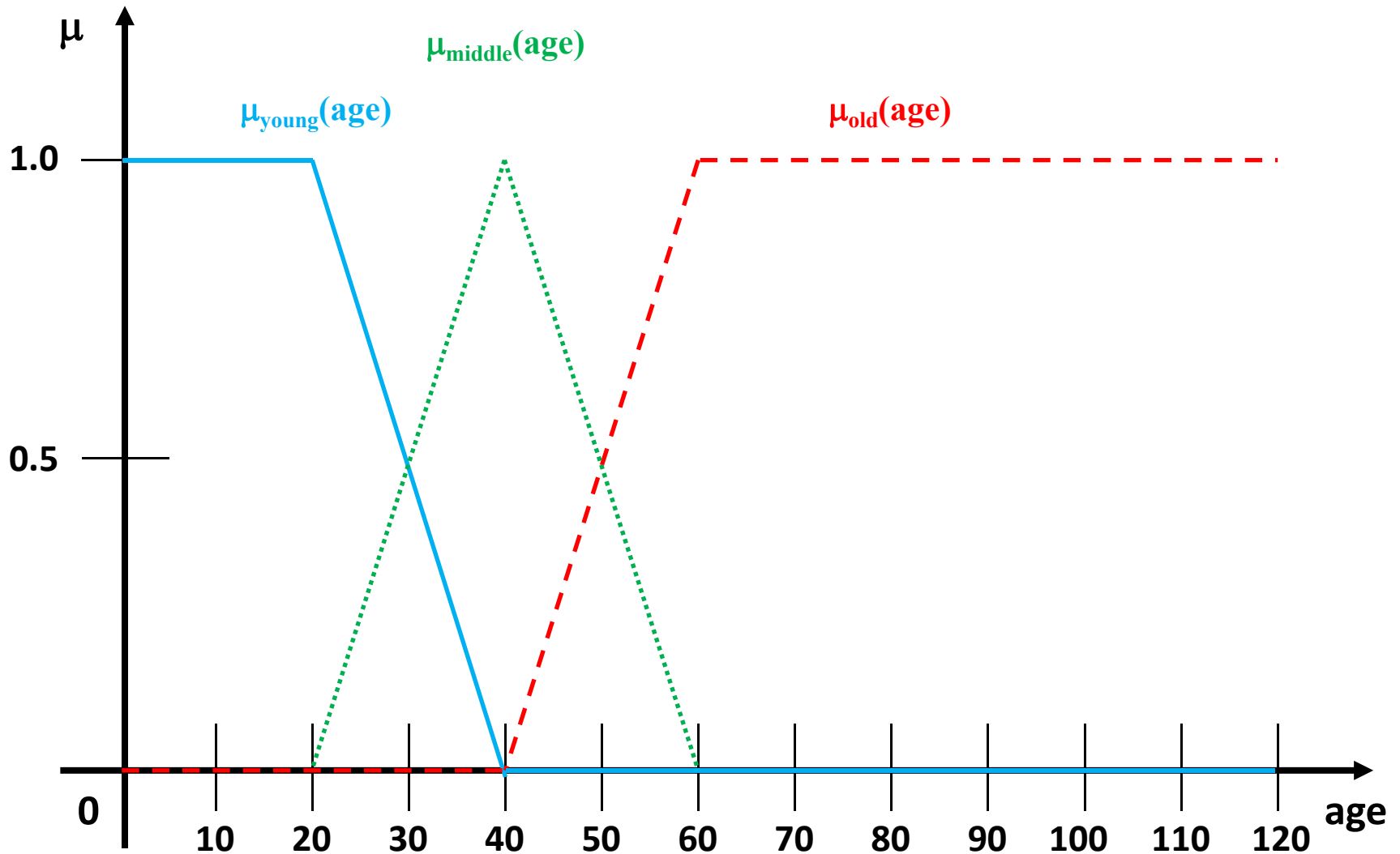
$$\mu(b) = 0.1$$

$$\mu(c) = 0.0$$

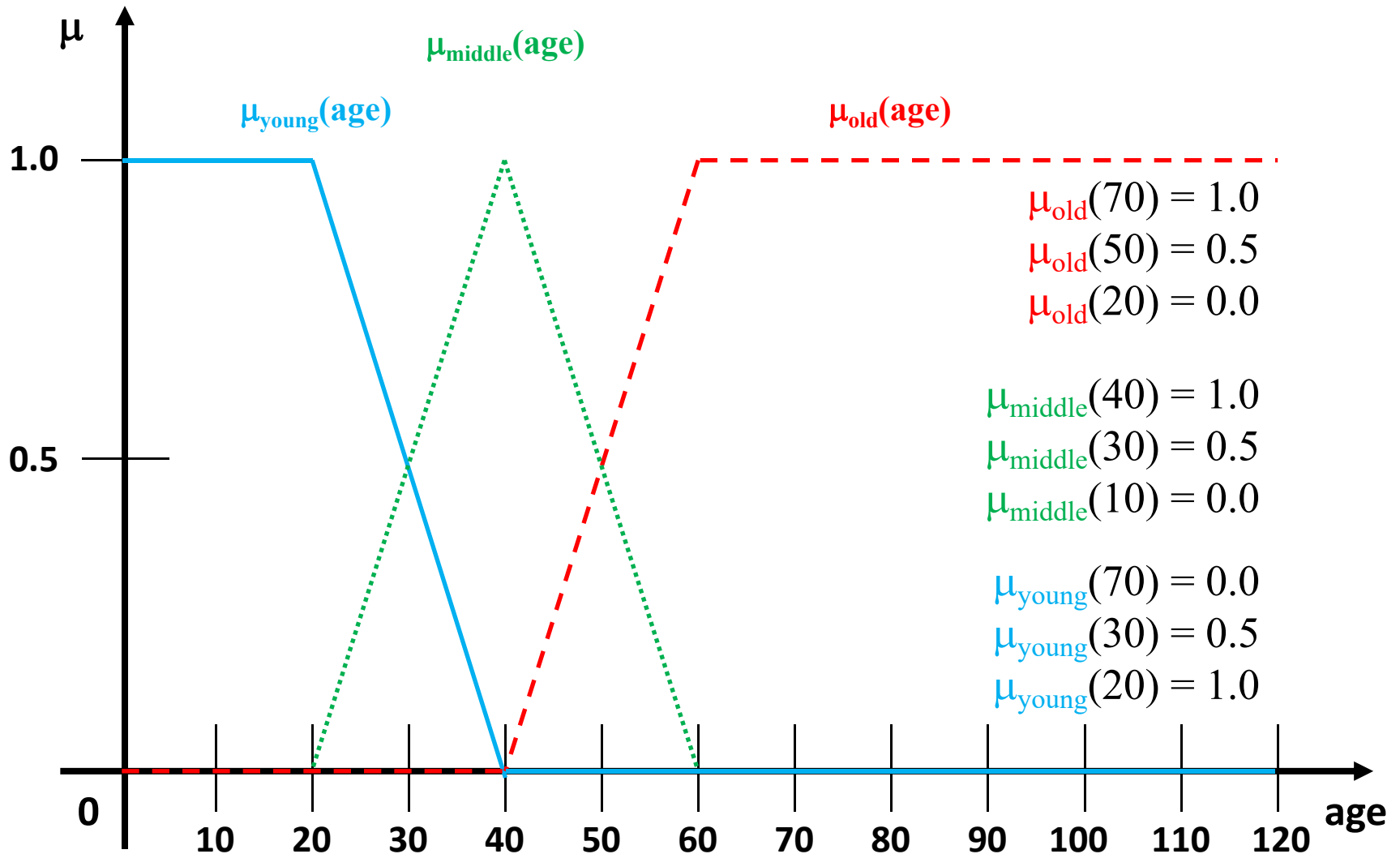
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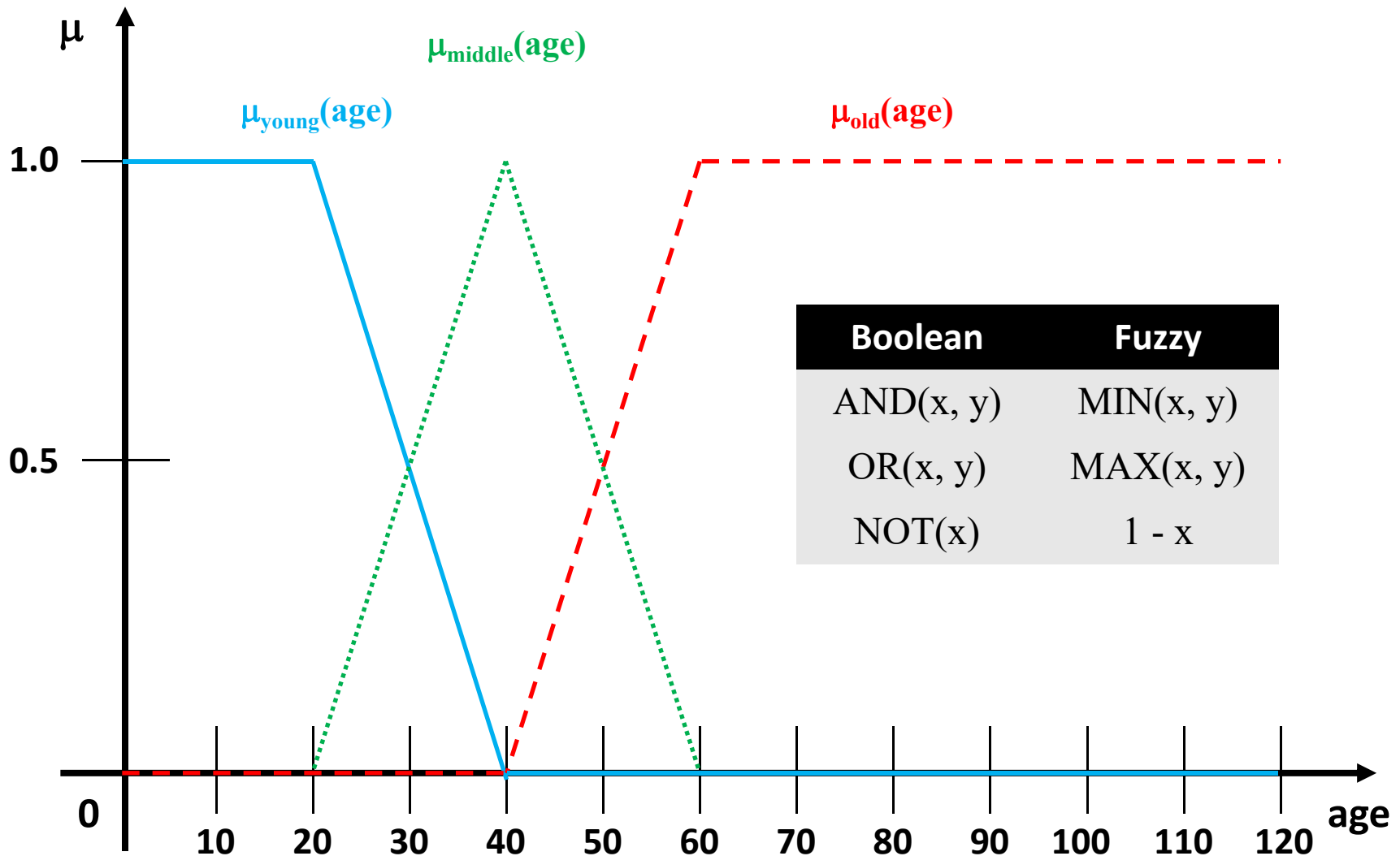
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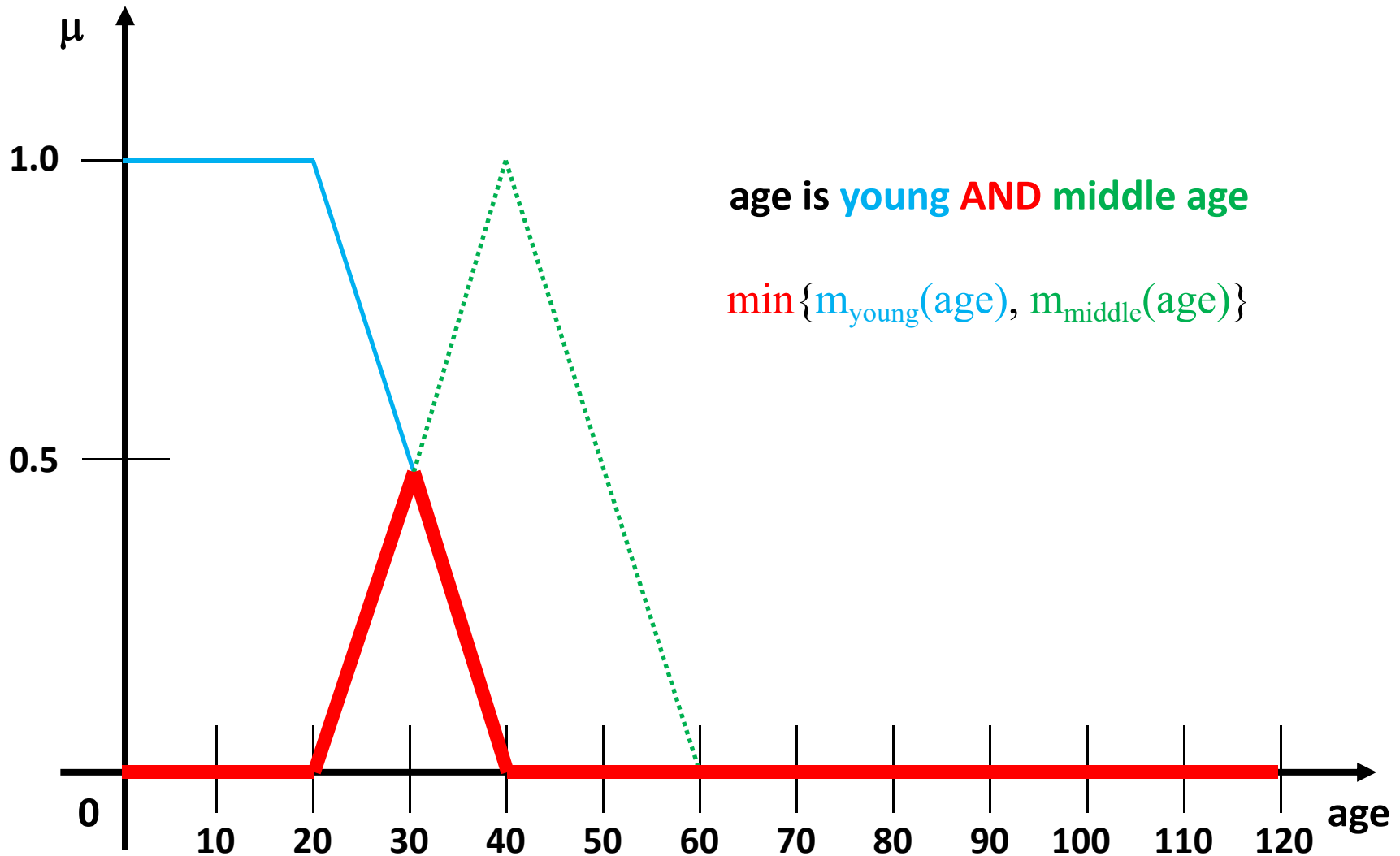
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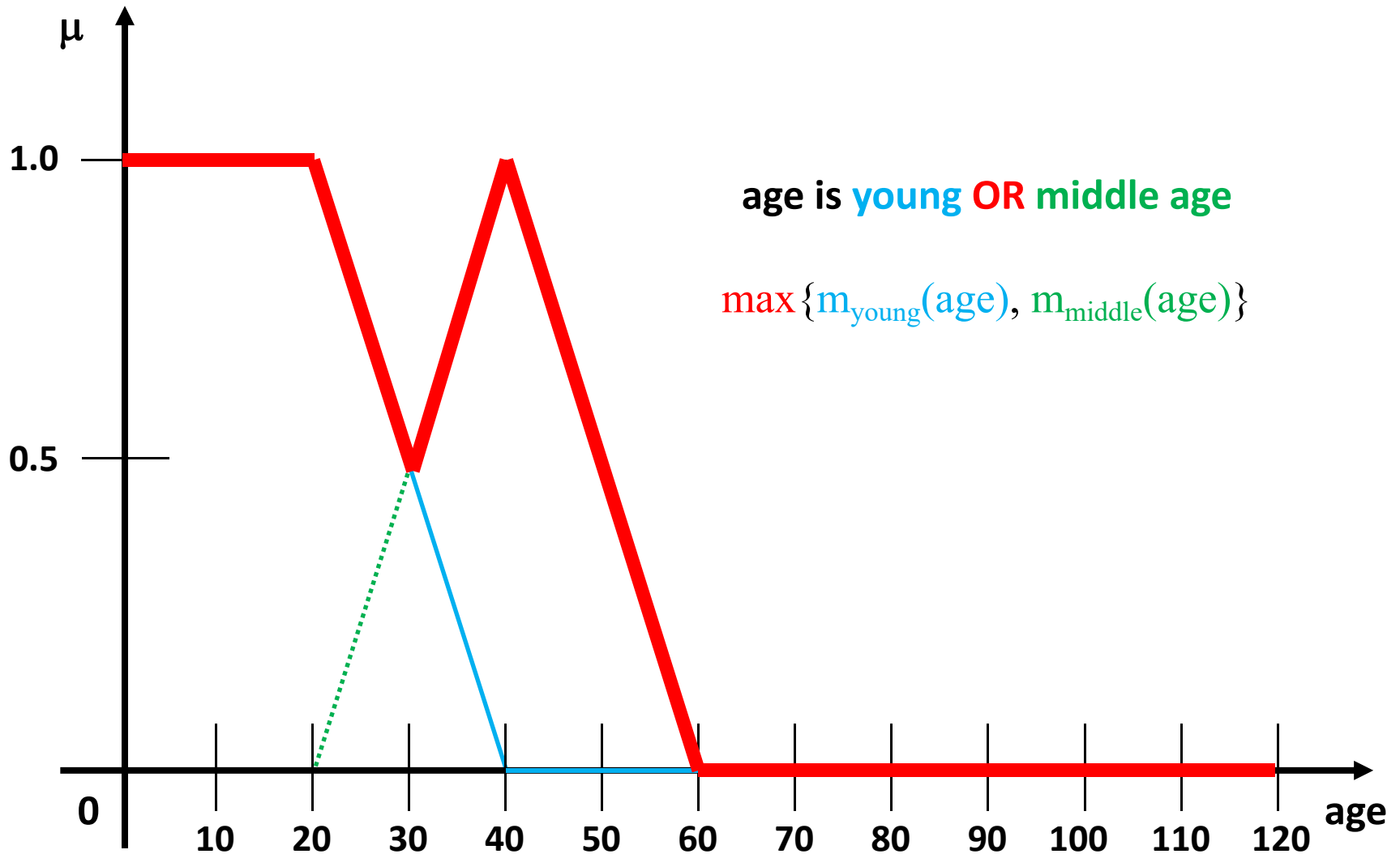
# Fuzzy Logic: Logic Operators



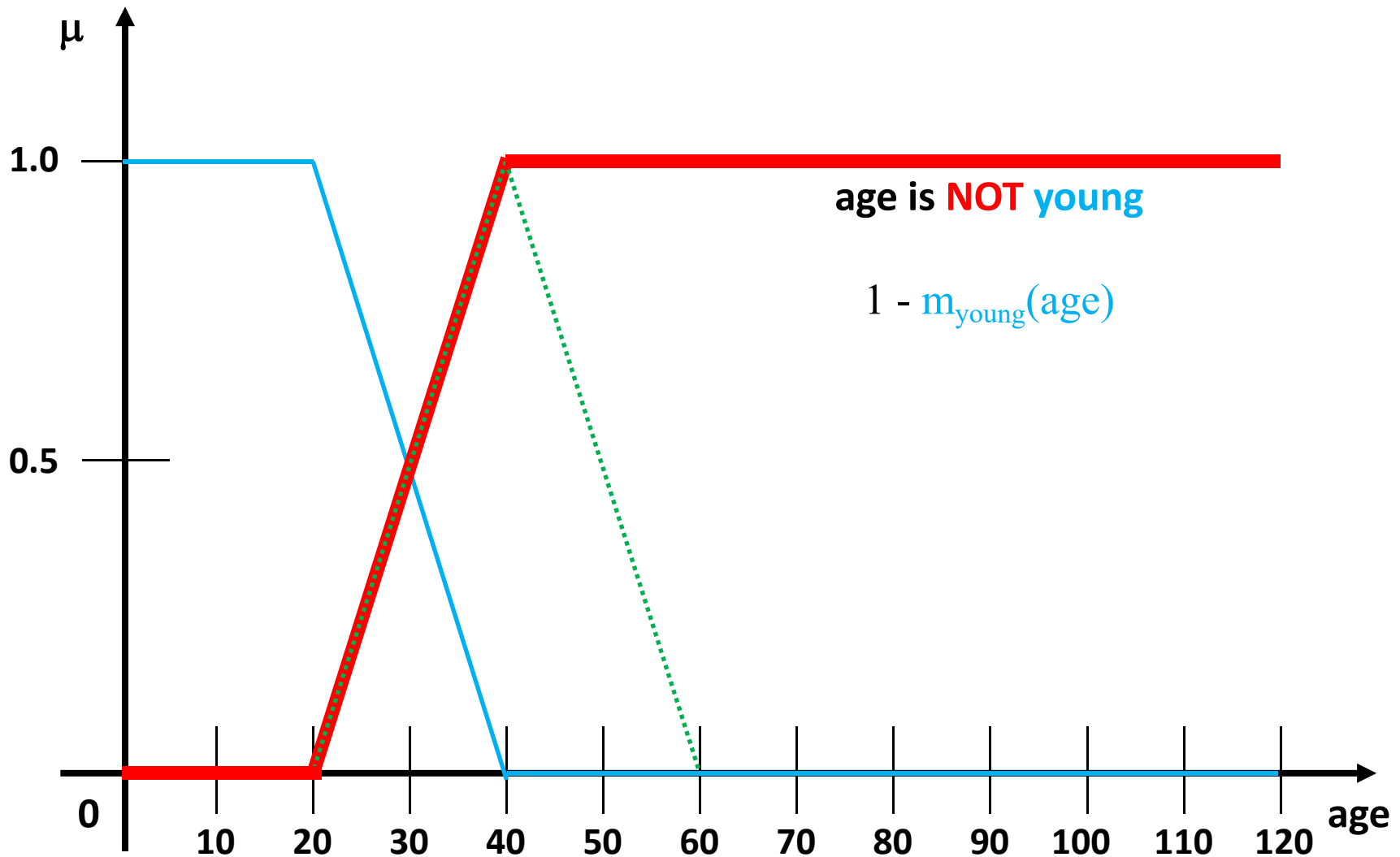
# Fuzzy Logic: the AND Operator



# Fuzzy Logic: the OR Operator



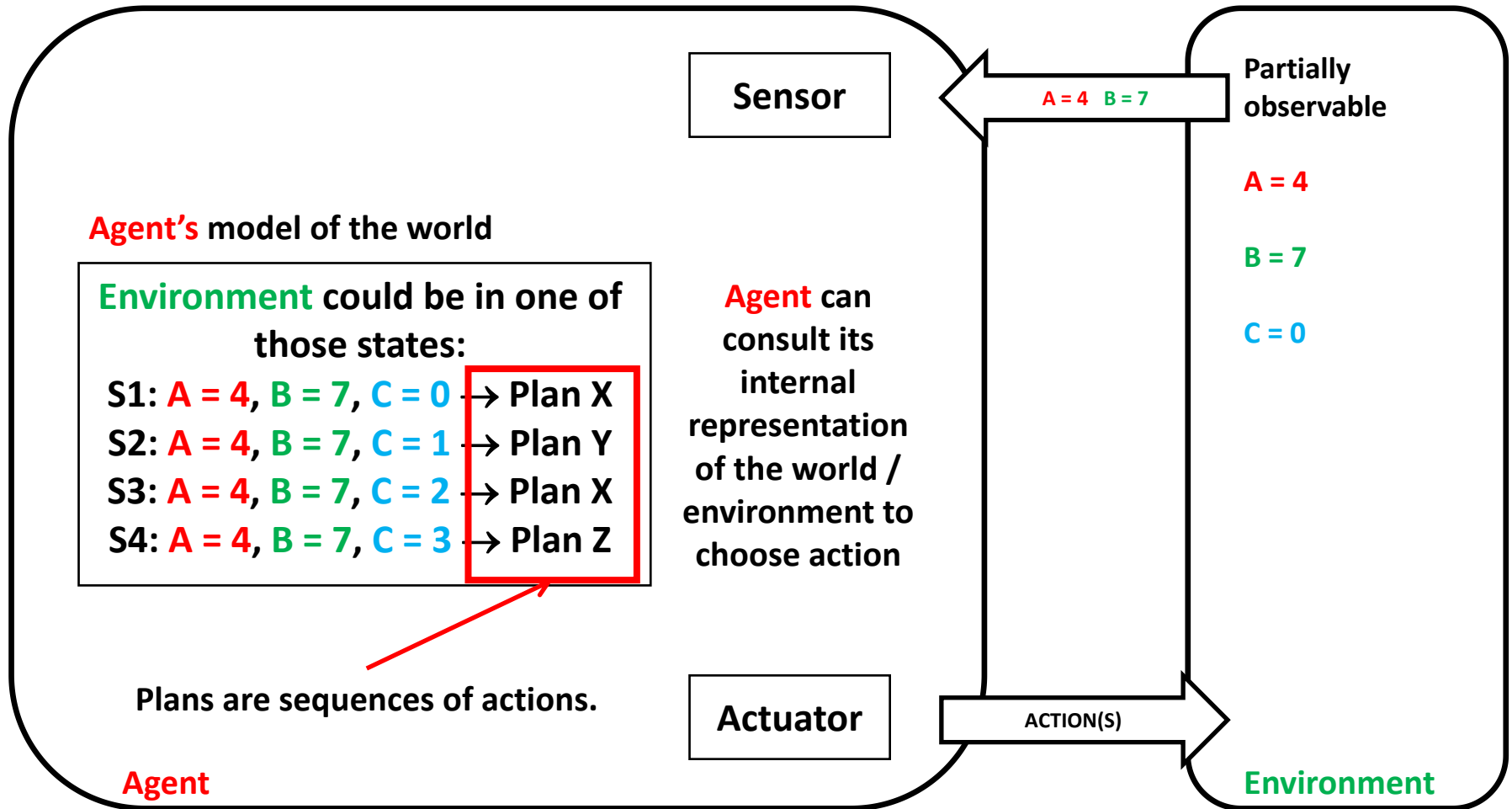
# Fuzzy Logic: the NOT Operator





# END OF BONUS MATERIAL

# Agents and Belief State



Assume:  $D_C = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

# Decision Theory

- **Decisions**: every plan (**actions**) leads to an outcome (state)
- Agents have preferences (**preferred outcomes**)
- Preferences → outcome **utilities**
- Agents have **degrees of belief** (**probabilities**) for actions

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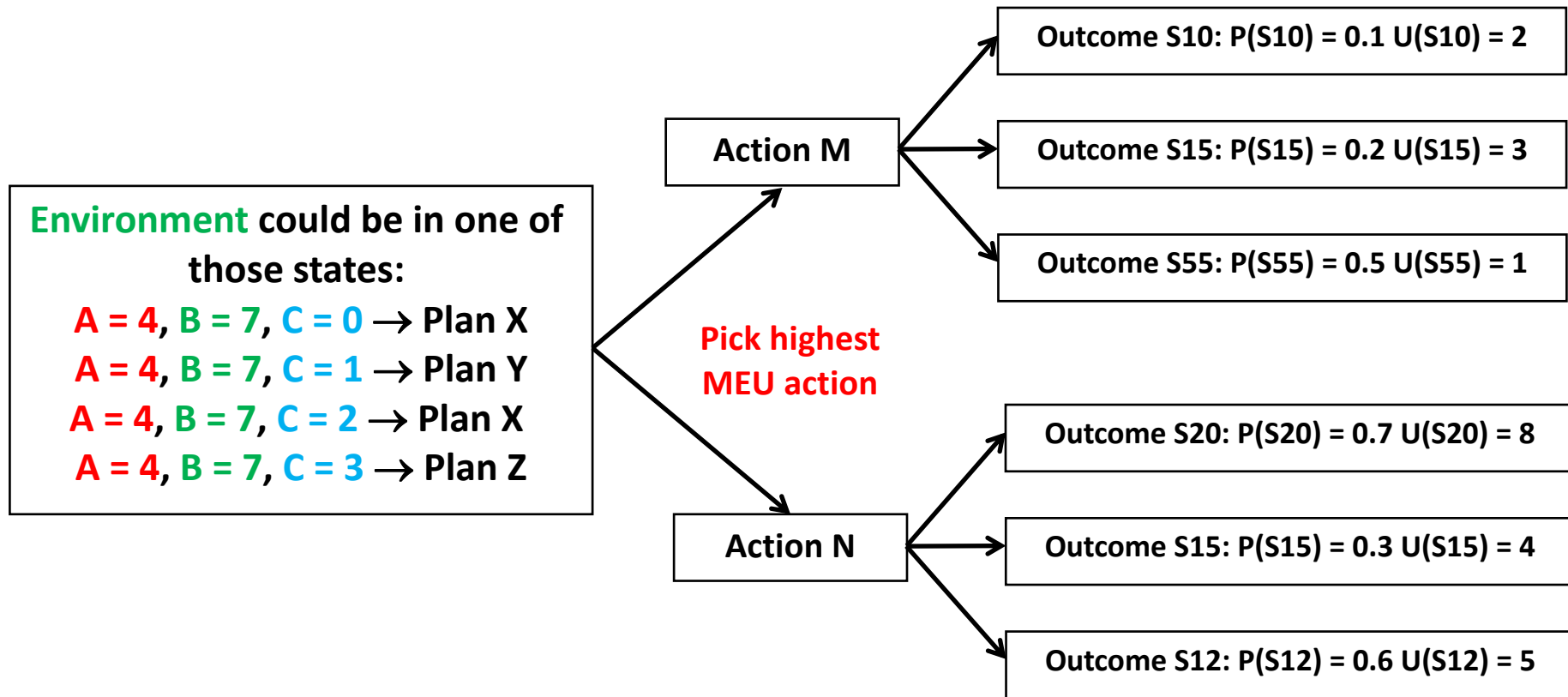
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**BELIEFS** **DESIRES**

# Maximum Expected (Average) Utility

$$MEU(M) = \frac{P(S10) * U(S10) + P(S15) * U(S15) + P(S55) * U(S55)}{3}$$



$$MEU(N) = \frac{P(S20) * U(S20) + P(S15) * U(S15) + P(S12) * U(S12)}{3}$$

# Agents Decisions

Recall that agent **ACTIONS** change the state:

- if we are in state **s**
- action **a** is expected to
- lead to another state **s'** (outcome)

Given uncertainty about the current state **s** and action outcome **s'** we need to define the following:

- probability (belief) of being in state **s**:  $P(\mathbf{s})$
- probability (belief) of action **a** leading to outcome **s'**:  $P(\mathbf{s}' \mid \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a})$

Now:

$$P(\mathbf{s}' \mid \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a}) = P(\text{RESULT}(\mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{s}') = \sum_{\mathbf{s}} P(\mathbf{s}) * P(\mathbf{s}' \mid \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a})$$

# State Utility Function

Agent's **preferences (desires)** are captured by the **Utility function**  $U(s)$ .

Utility function assigns a value to each state  $s$  to express how desirable this state is to the agent.

# Expected Action Utility

The **expected utility of an action  $a$**  given the evidence is the **average utility value of all possible outcomes  $s'$  of action  $a$ , weighted by their probability (belief) of occurrence:**

$$EU(a) = \sum_{s'} \sum_s P(s) * P(s' | s, a) * U(a) = \sum_{s'} P(Result(a) = s') * U(a)$$

Rational agent should choose an action that **maximizes the expected utility:**

$$\text{chosen action} = \underset{a}{\operatorname{argmax}} EU(a)$$



# How Did We Get Here?

Let's start with relationships (and related notation) between agent's preferences:

- agent **prefers** A over B:

$$A \succ B$$

- agent is **indifferent** between A and B:

$$A \sim B$$

- agent prefers A over B or is indifferent between A and B (**weak preference**):

$$A \succcurlyeq B$$

# The Concept of Lottery

Let's assume the following:

- an **action**  $a$  is a lottery ticket
- the **set of outcomes (resulting states)** is a lottery

A lottery  $L$  with possible outcomes  $S_1, \dots, S_n$  that occur with probabilities  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  is written as:

$$L = [p_1, S_1; p_2, S_2; \dots ; p_n, S_n]$$

**Lottery outcome  $S_i$ : atomic state or another lottery.**

# Lottery Constraints: Orderability

Given two lotteries  $A$  and  $B$ , a rational agent must either prefer one or else rate them as equally preferable:

Exactly one of  $(A \succ B)$ ,  $(B \succ A)$ , or  $(A \sim B)$  holds

# Lottery Constraints: Transitivity

**Given three lotteries A, B, and C, if an agent prefers A to B AND prefers B to C, then the agent must prefer A to C:**

$$(A \succ B) \wedge (B \succ C) \Rightarrow (A \succ C)$$

# Lottery Constraints: Continuity

If some lottery  $B$  is between  $A$  and  $C$  in preference, then there is some probability  $p$  for which the rational agent will be indifferent between getting  $B$  for sure or some other lottery that yields  $A$  with probability  $p$  and  $C$  with probability  $1 - p$ :

$$(A \succ B \succ C) \Rightarrow \exists p [p, A; 1 - p, C] \sim B$$

# Lottery Constraints: Substitutability

If an agent is indifferent between two lotteries A and B, then the agent is indifferent between two more complex lotteries that are the same, except that B is substituted for A in one of them:

$$(A \sim B) \Rightarrow [p, A; 1-p, C] \sim [p, B; 1-p, C]$$

# Lottery Constraints: Monotonicity

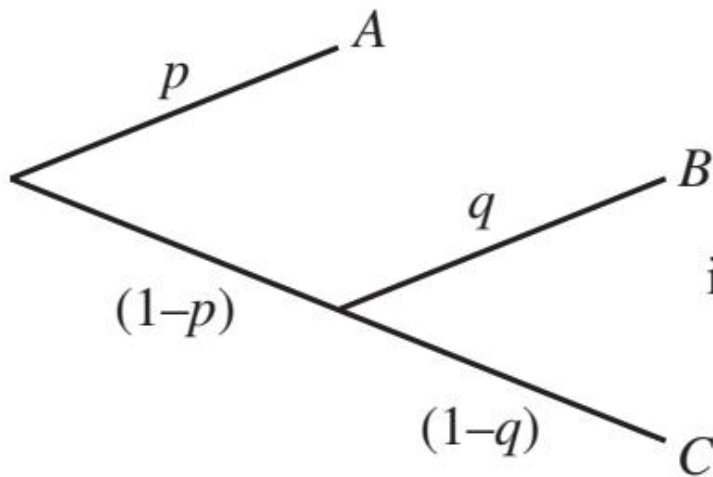
Suppose two lotteries have the same two possible outcomes, A and B. If an agent prefers A to B, then the agent must prefer the lottery that has a higher probability for A:

$$(A \succ B) \Rightarrow (p \succ q \Leftrightarrow [p, A; 1-p, B] \succ [q, A; 1-q, B])$$

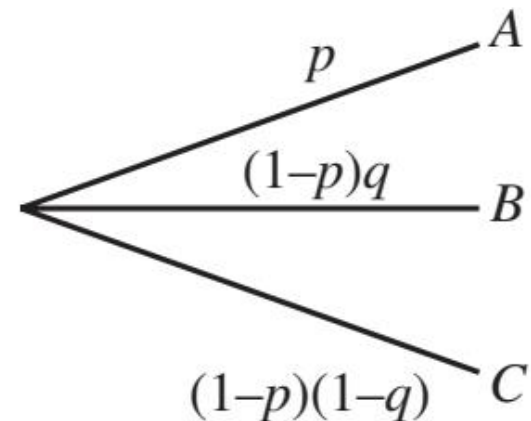
# Lottery Constraints: Decomposability

Compound lotteries can be reduced to smaller ones using the laws of probability:

$$[p, A; 1-p, [q, B; 1-q, C]] \sim [p, A; (1-p)q, B; (1-p)(1-q), C]$$



is equivalent to





# Preferences and Utility Function

An agent whose preferences between lotteries follow the set of axioms (**of utility theory**) below:

- Orderability
- Transitivity
- Continuity
- Substitutability
- Monotonicity
- Decomposability

can be described as possessing a utility function and maximize it.

# Preferences and Utility Function

If an agent's preferences obey the axioms of utility theory, then there exist a function  $U$  such that:

$$U(A) = U(B) \text{ if and only if } (A \sim B)$$

and

$$U(A) > U(B) \text{ if and only if } (A \succ B)$$

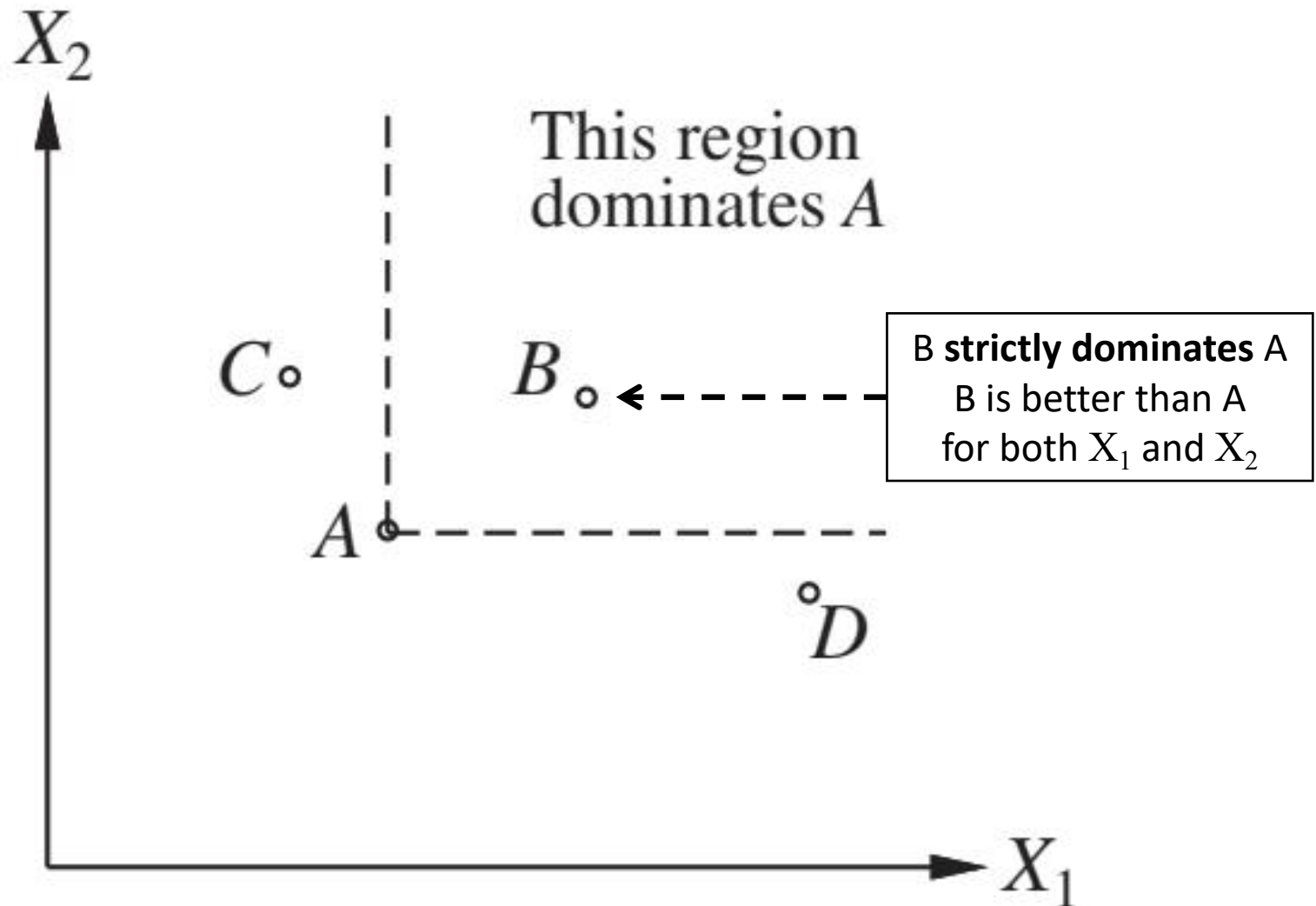
# Multiattribute Outcomes

Outcomes can be characterized by more than one attribute. Decisions in such cases are handled by Multiattribute Utility Theory.

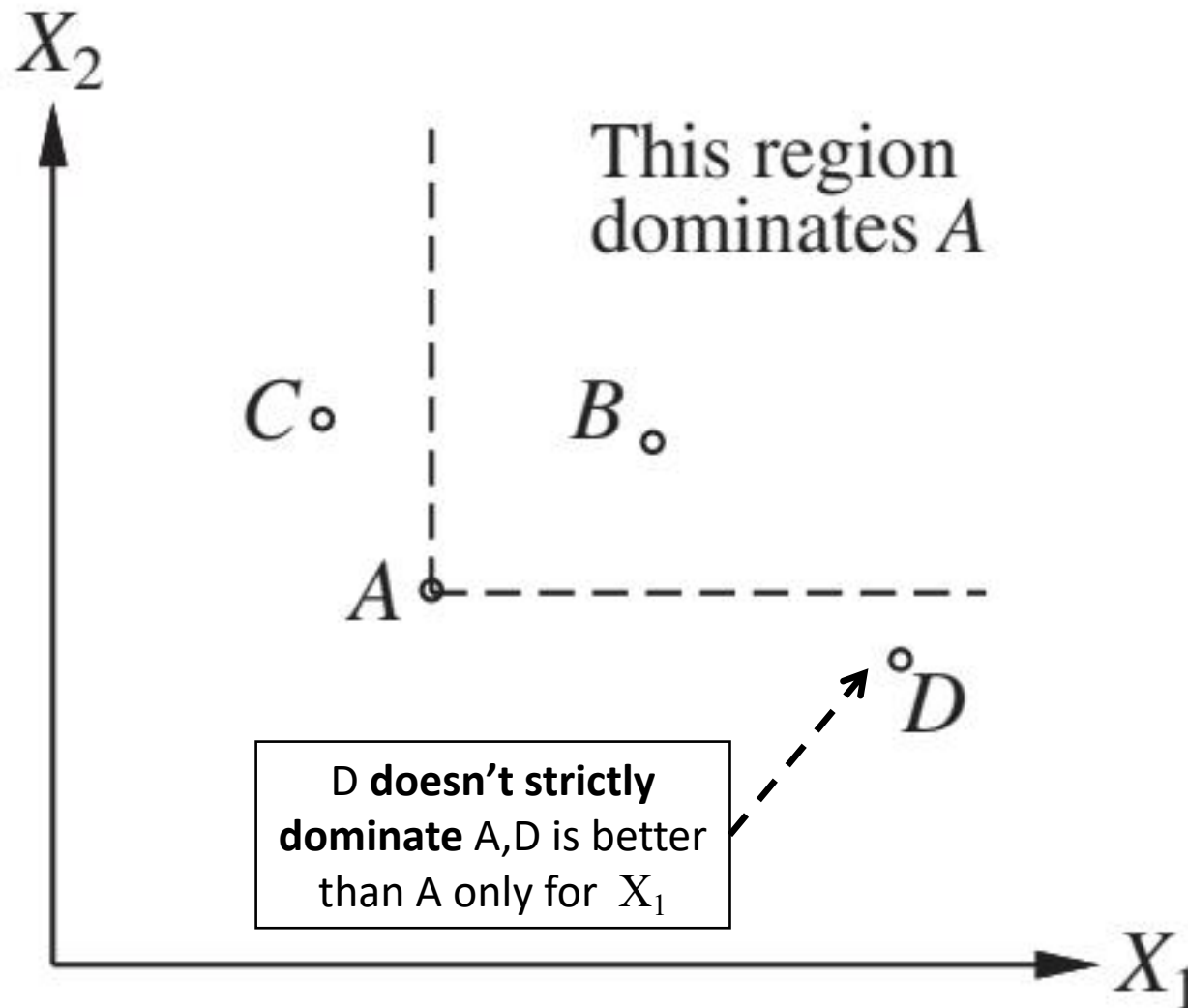
Attributes:  $\mathbf{X} = X_1, \dots, X_n$

Assigned values:  $\mathbf{x} = \langle X_1, \dots, X_n \rangle$

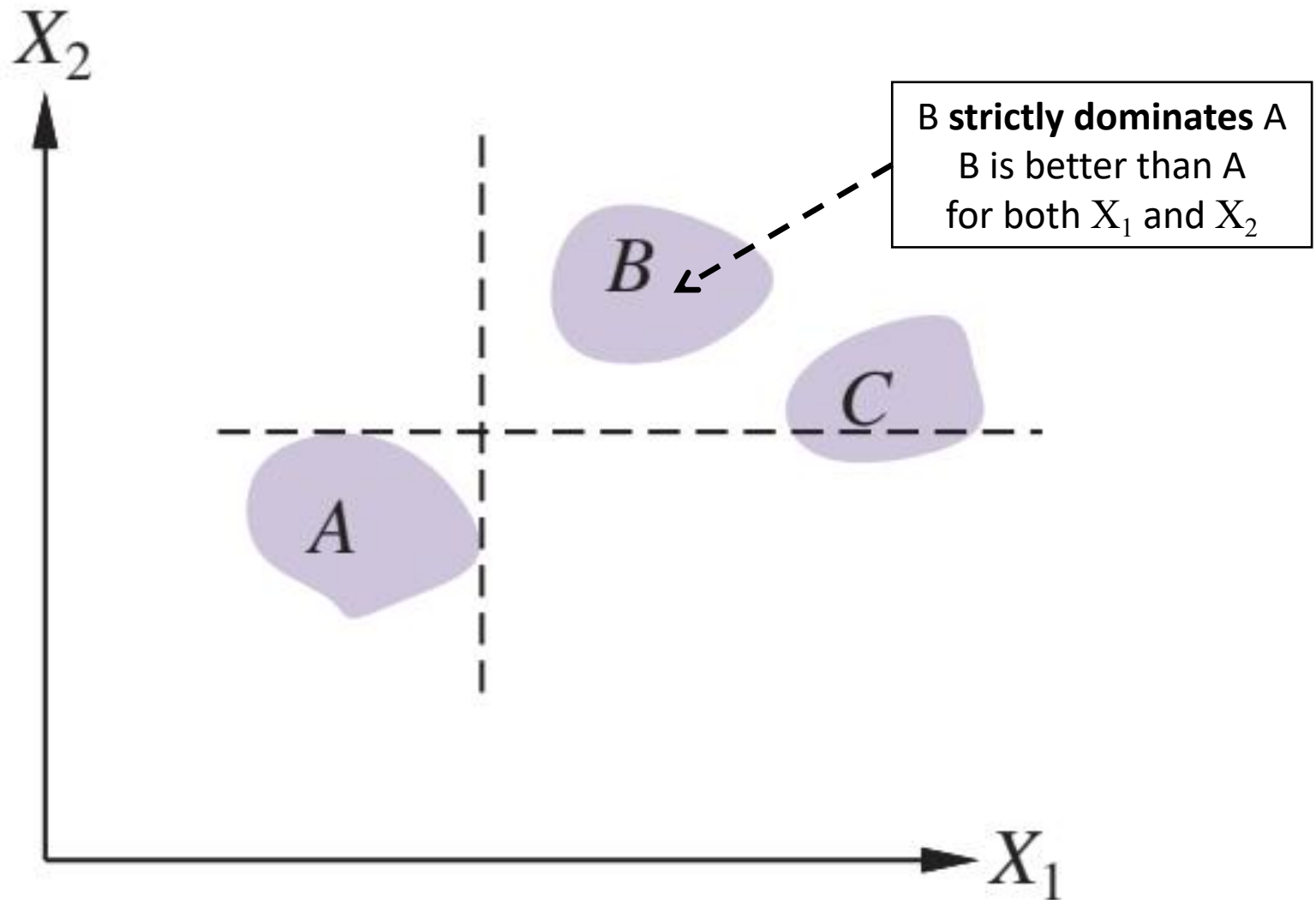
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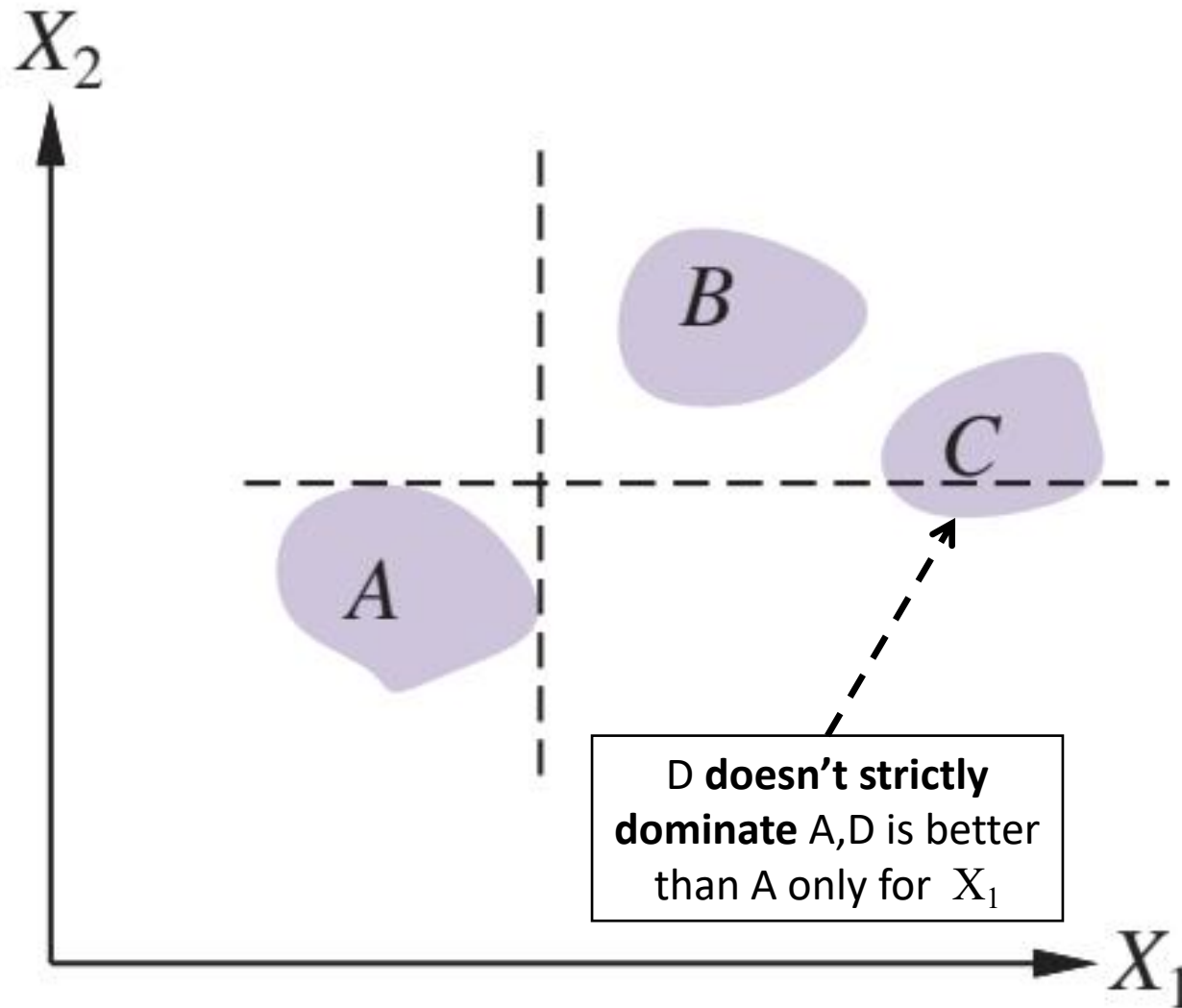
# Strict Dominance: Deterministic



# Strict Dominance: Uncertain



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# Decision Network (Influence Diagram)

Decision networks (also called influence diagrams) are structures / mechanisms for making rational decisions.

Decision networks are based on Bayesian networks, but include additional nodes that represent **actions** and **utilities**.



# Decision Networks

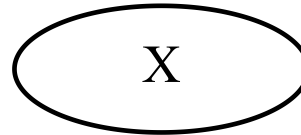
The most basic decision network needs to include:

- information about current state  $s$
- possible actions
- resulting state  $s'$  (after applying chosen action  $a$ )
- utility of the resulting state  $U(s')$

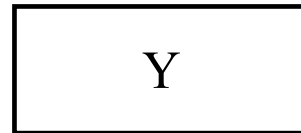
# Decision Network Nodes

Decision networks are built using the following nodes:

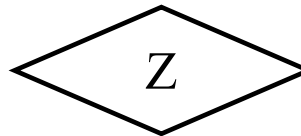
- chance nodes:



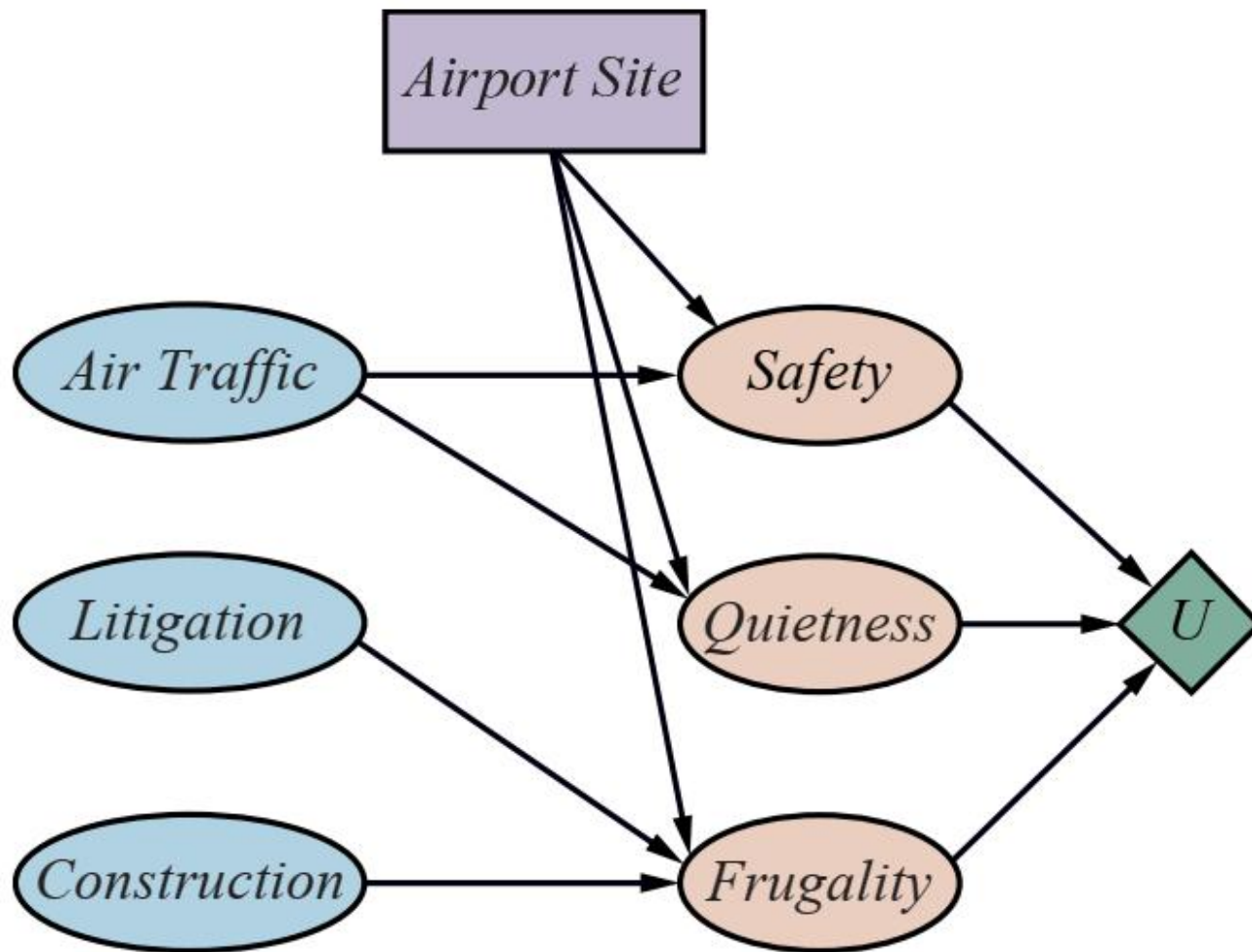
- decision nodes:



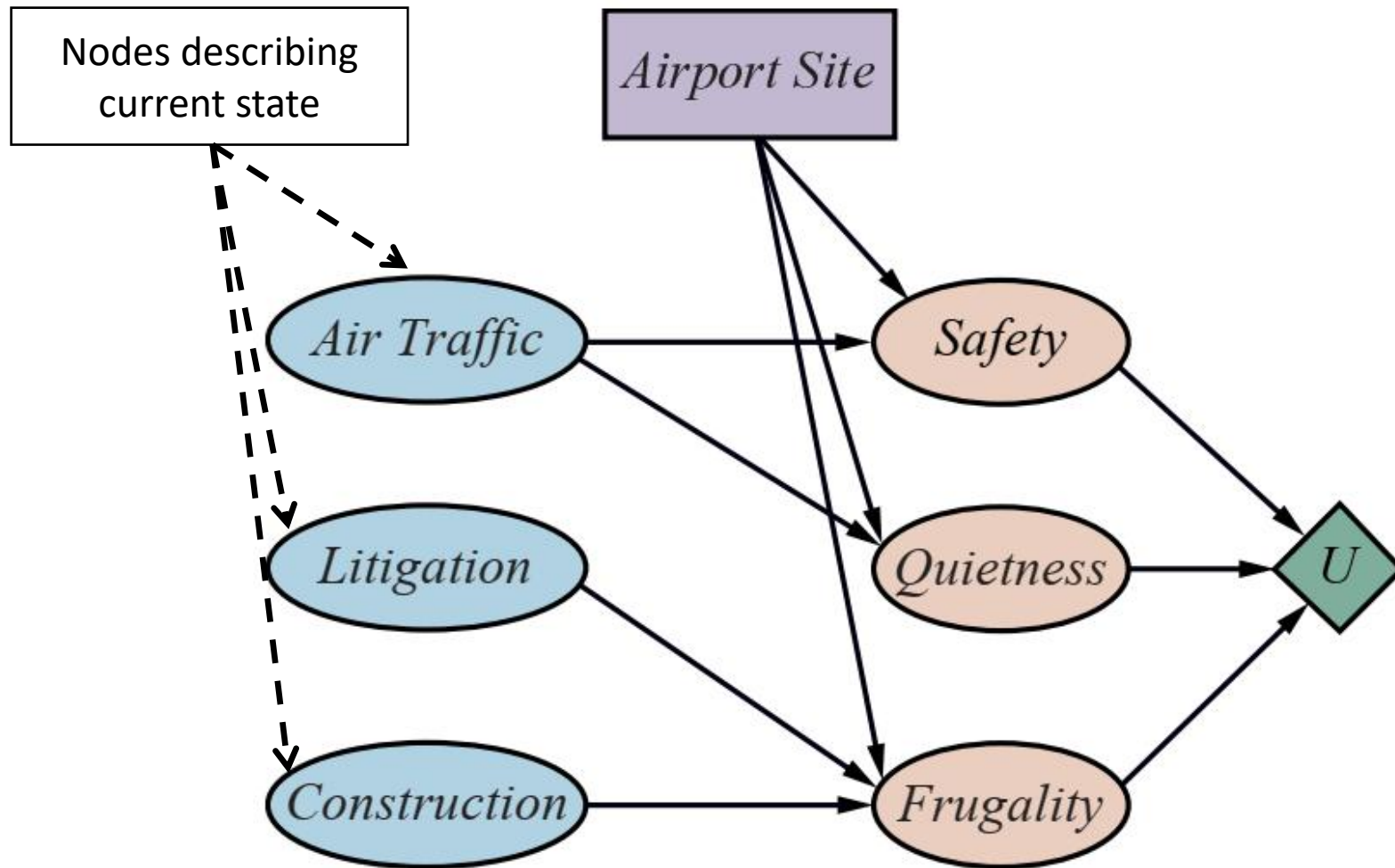
- utility (or value) nodes



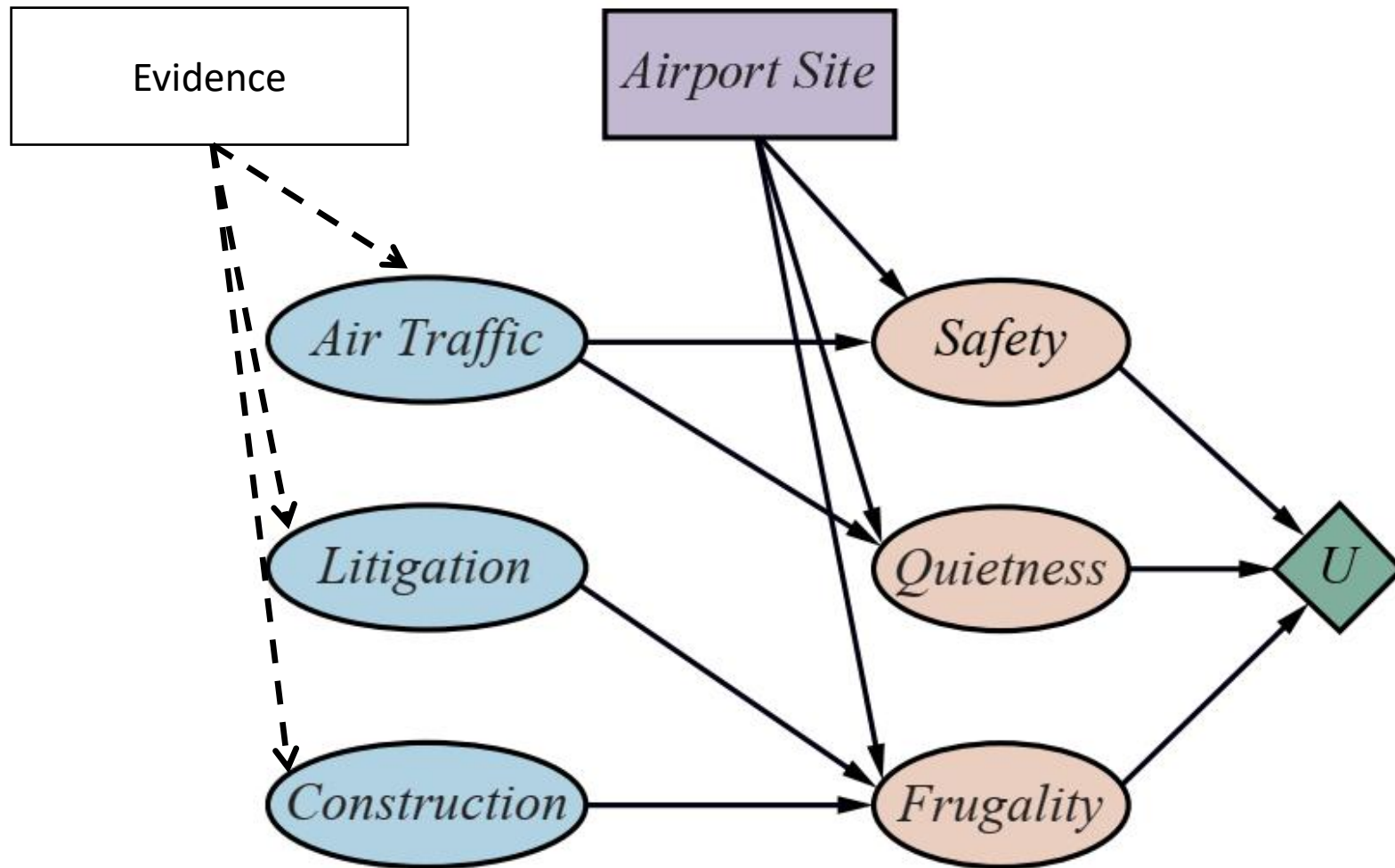
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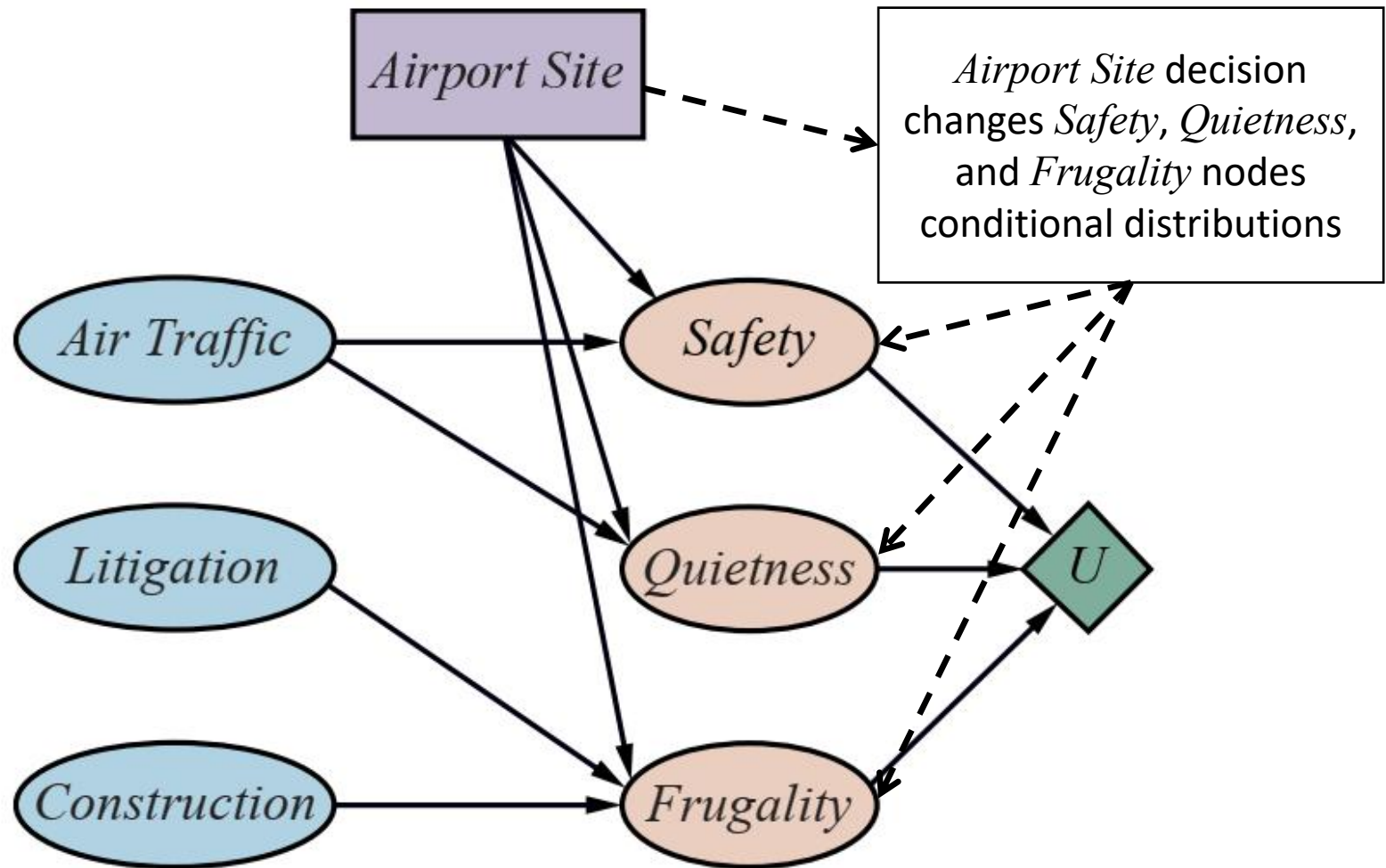
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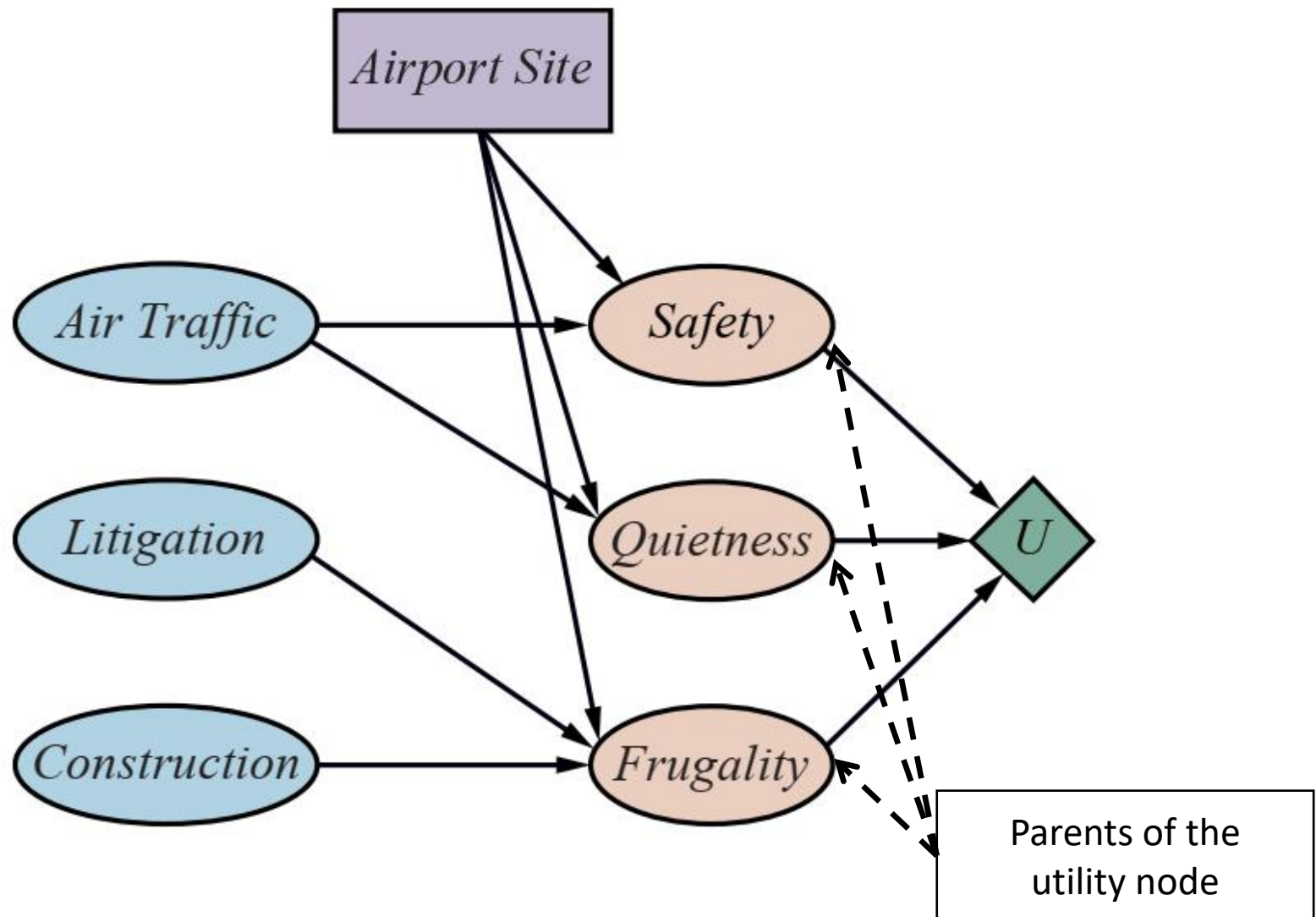


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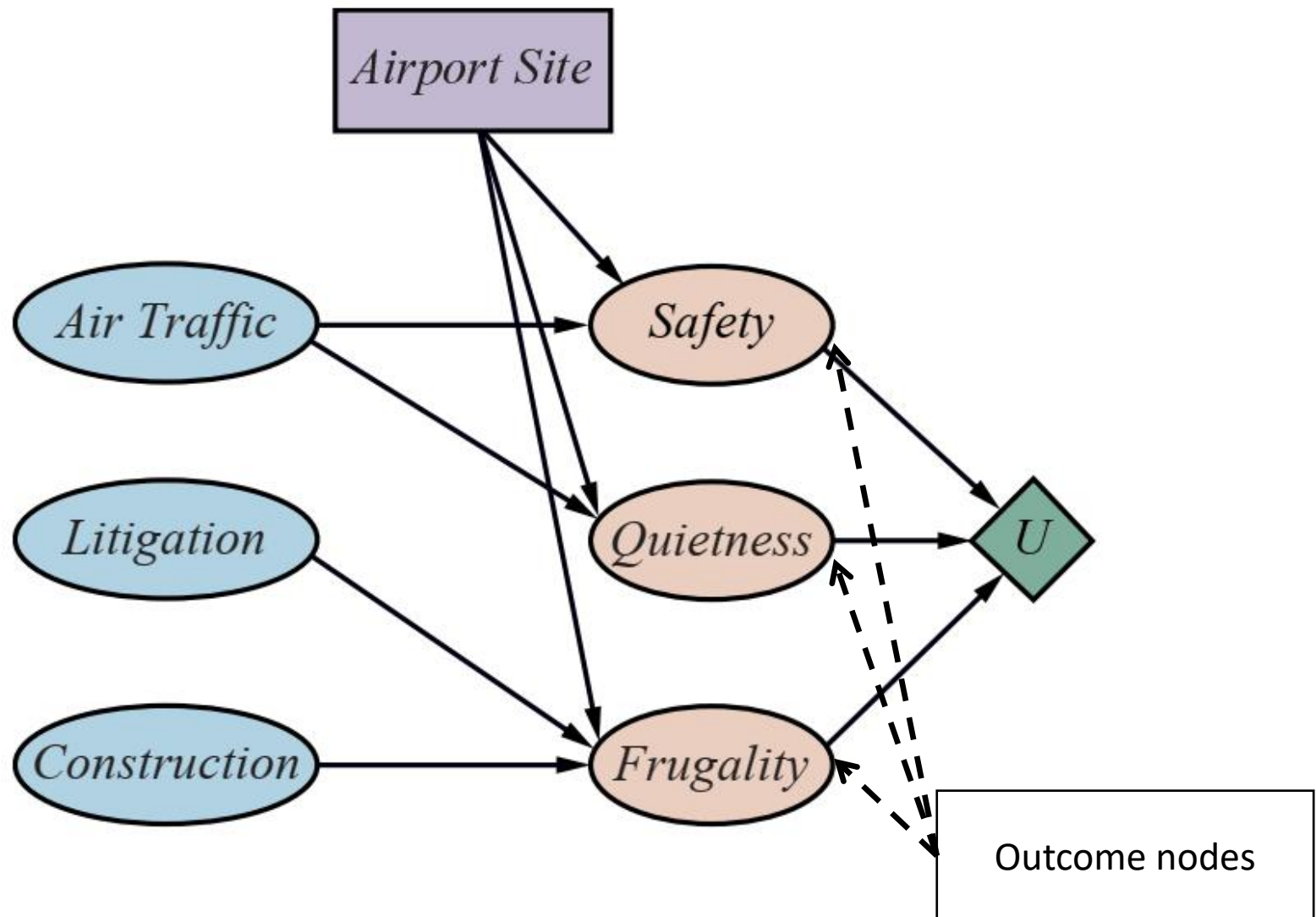




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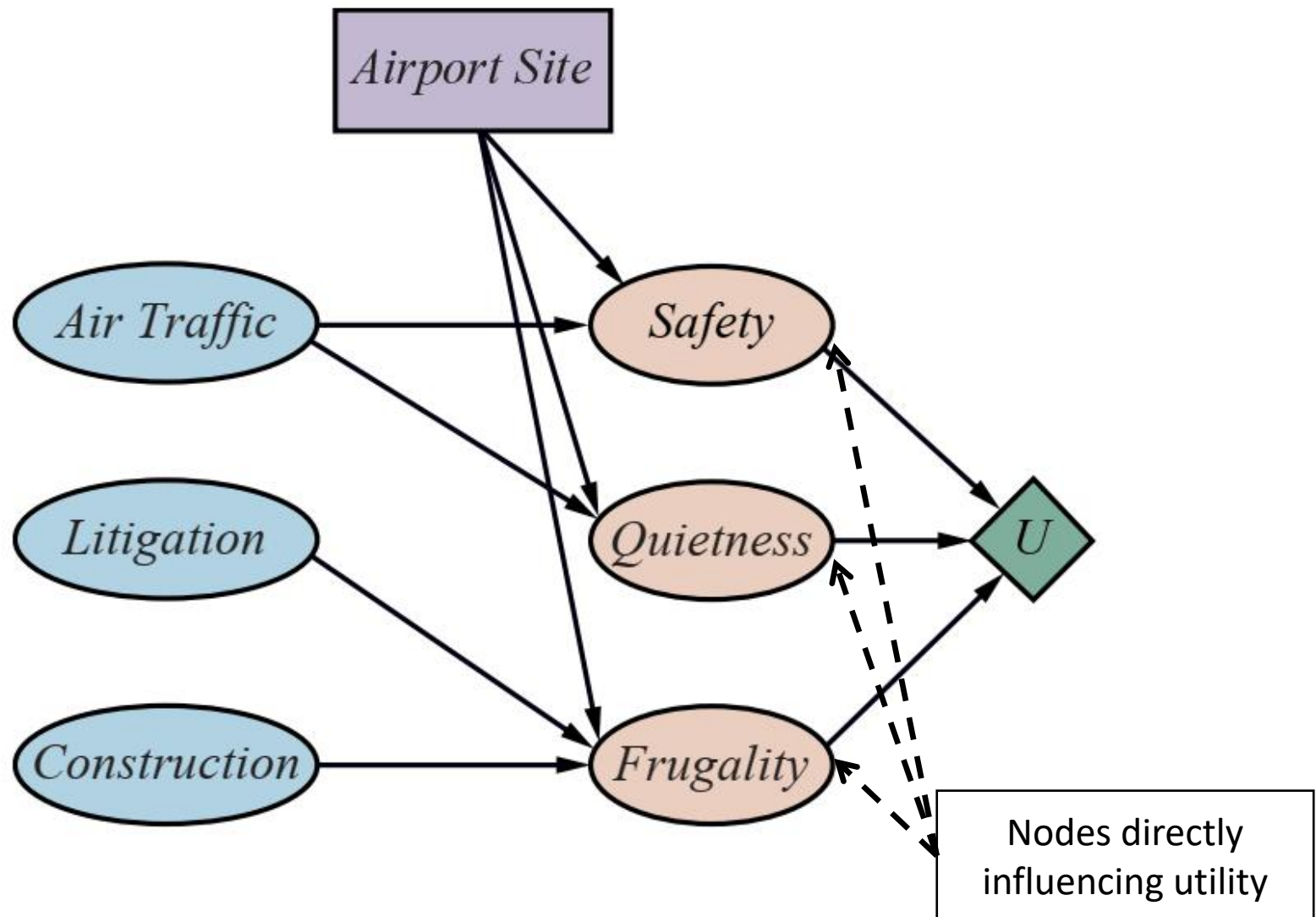


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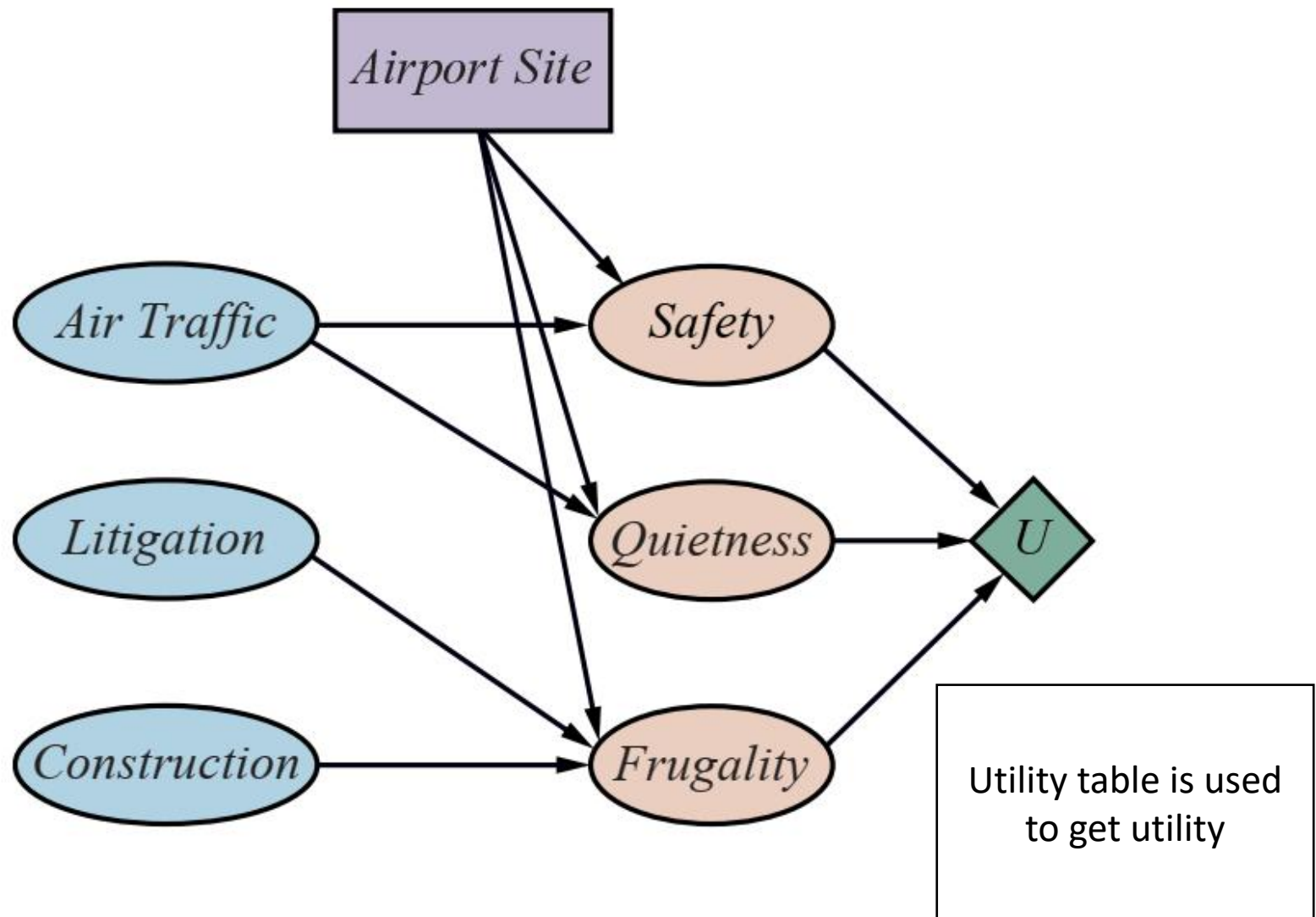


# Decision Network: Evaluation

The algorithm for decision network evaluation is as follows:

1. Set the evidence variables for the current state
2. For each possible value  $a$  of decision node:
  - a. Set the decision node to that value
  - b. Calculate the posterior probabilities for the parent nodes of the utility node
  - c. Calculate the utility for the action / value  $a$
3. Return the action with highest utility

# Decision Network: Example



# Decision Network: Simplified Form

