

Reti Bayesiane III

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Inference by stochastic simulation

Basic idea:

- 1) Draw N samples from a sampling distribution S
- 2) Compute an approximate posterior probability \hat{P}
- 3) Show this converges to the true probability P

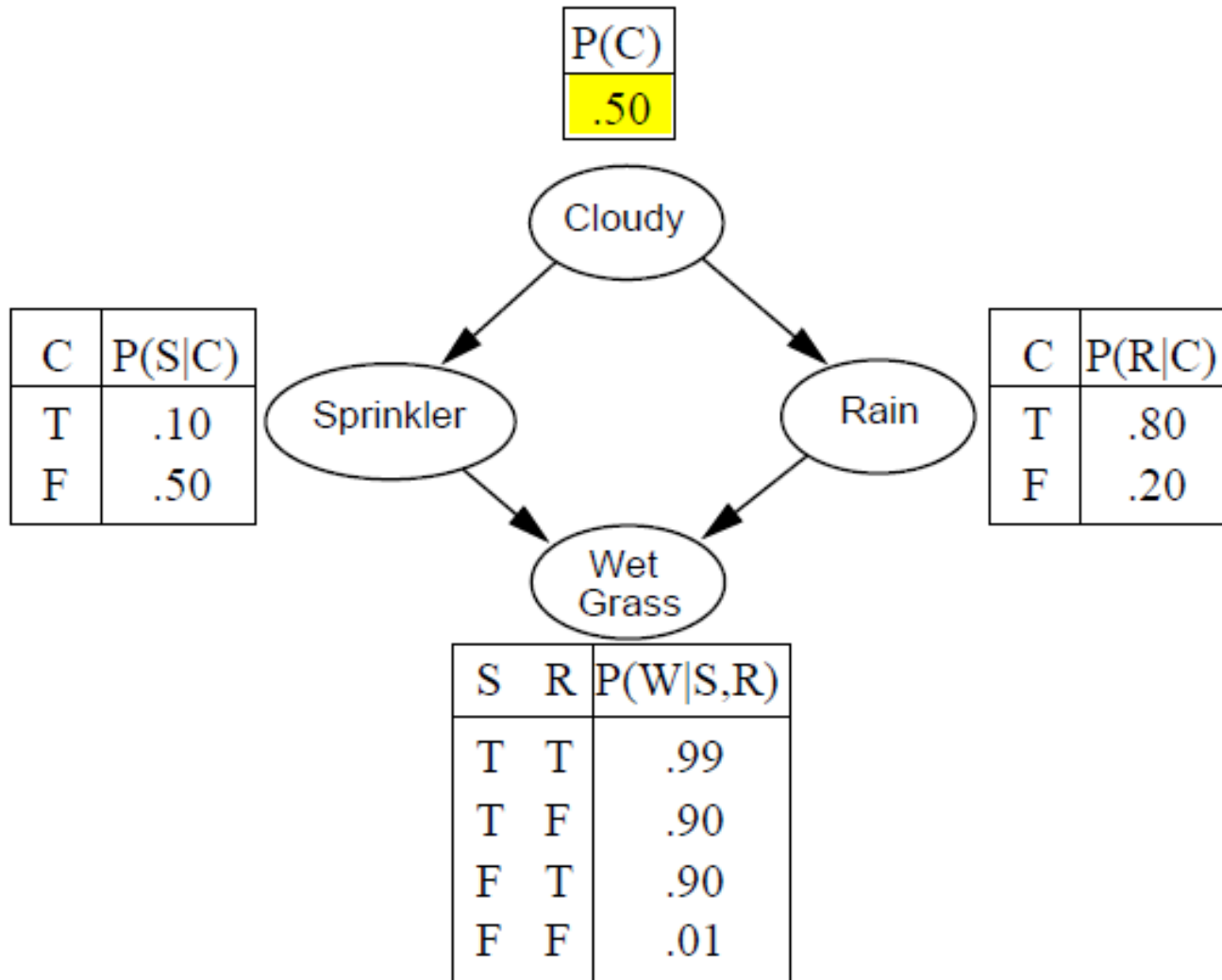
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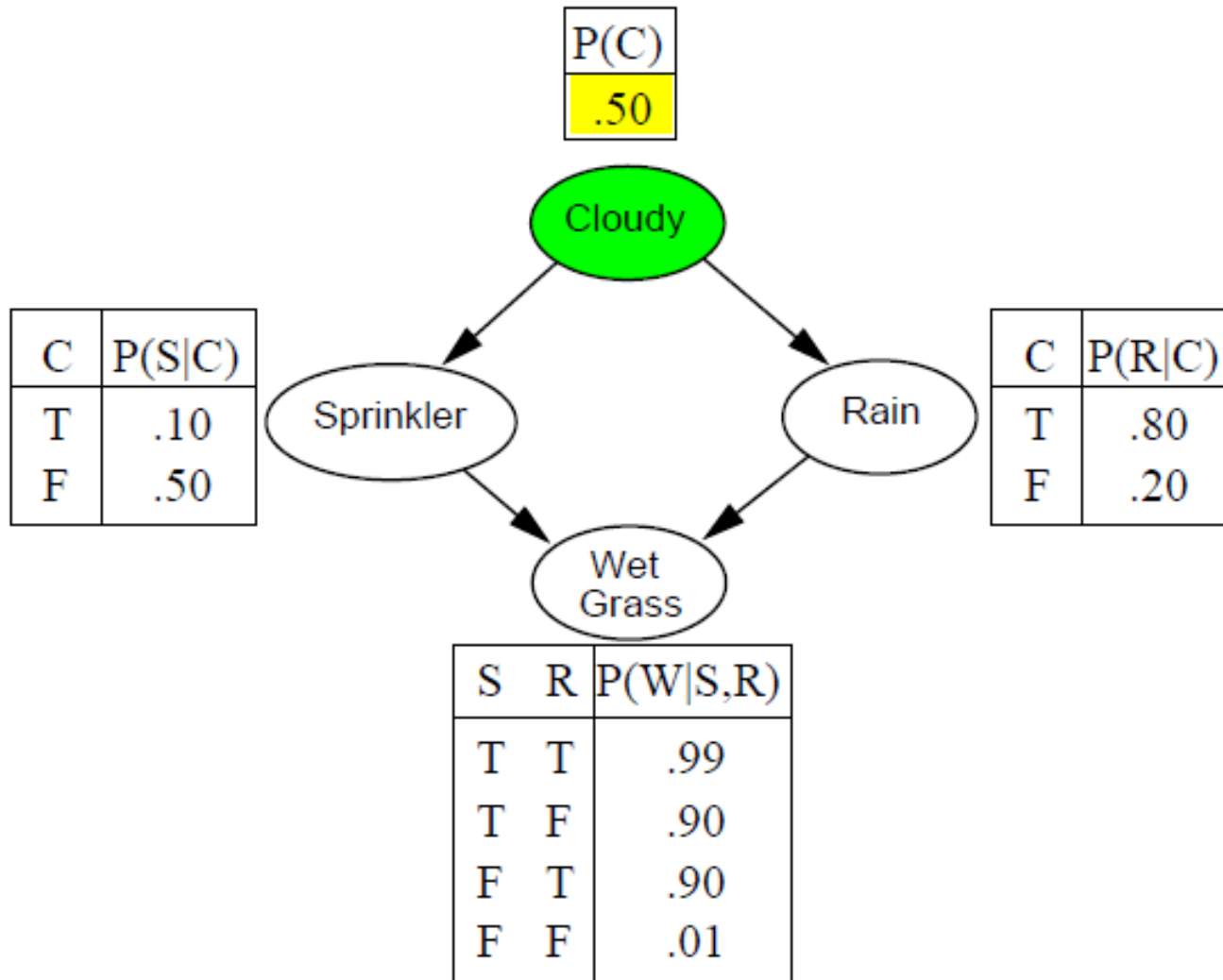
Outline:

- Sampling from an empty network
- Rejection sampling: reject samples disagreeing with evidence
- Likelihood weighting: use evidence to weight samples

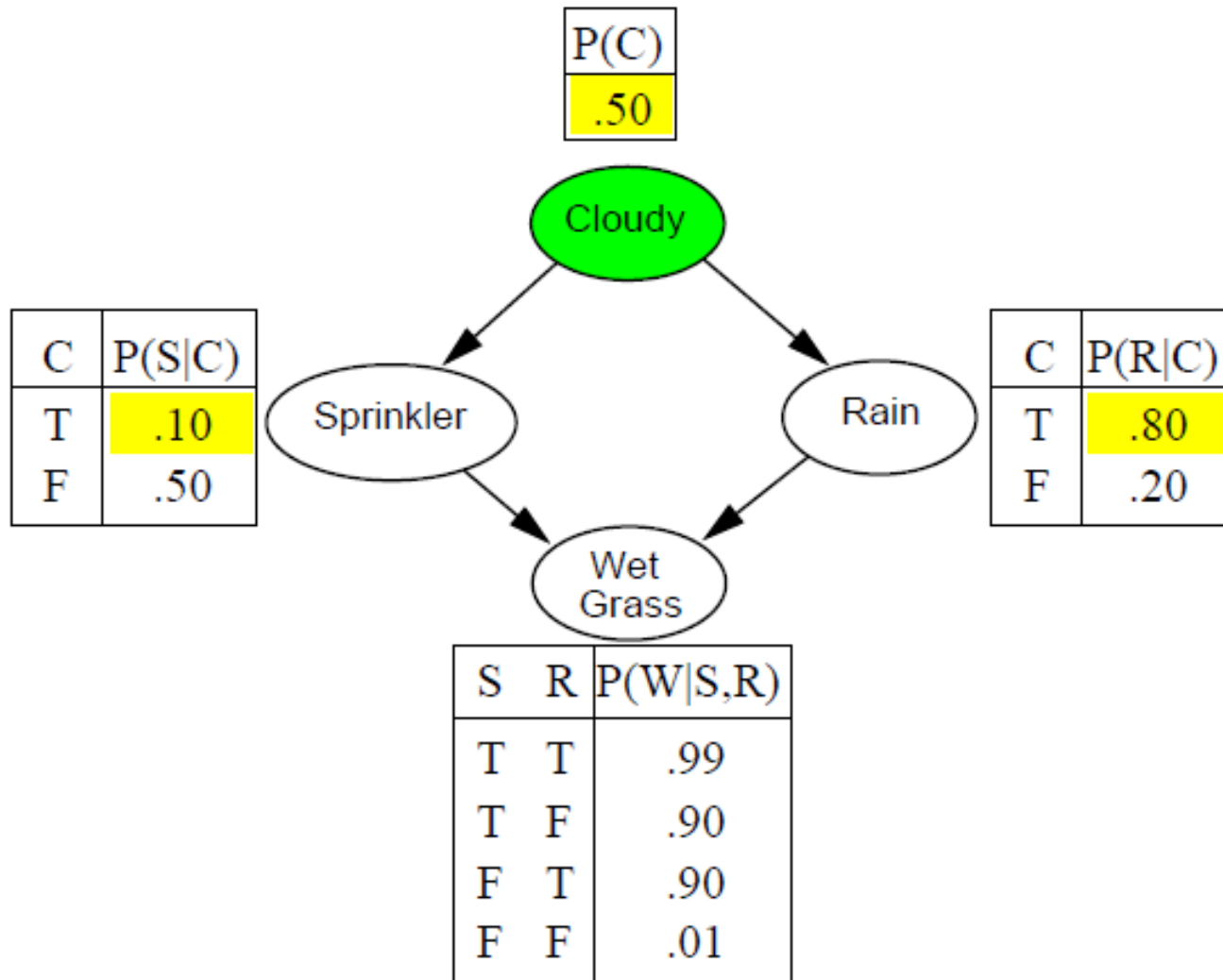
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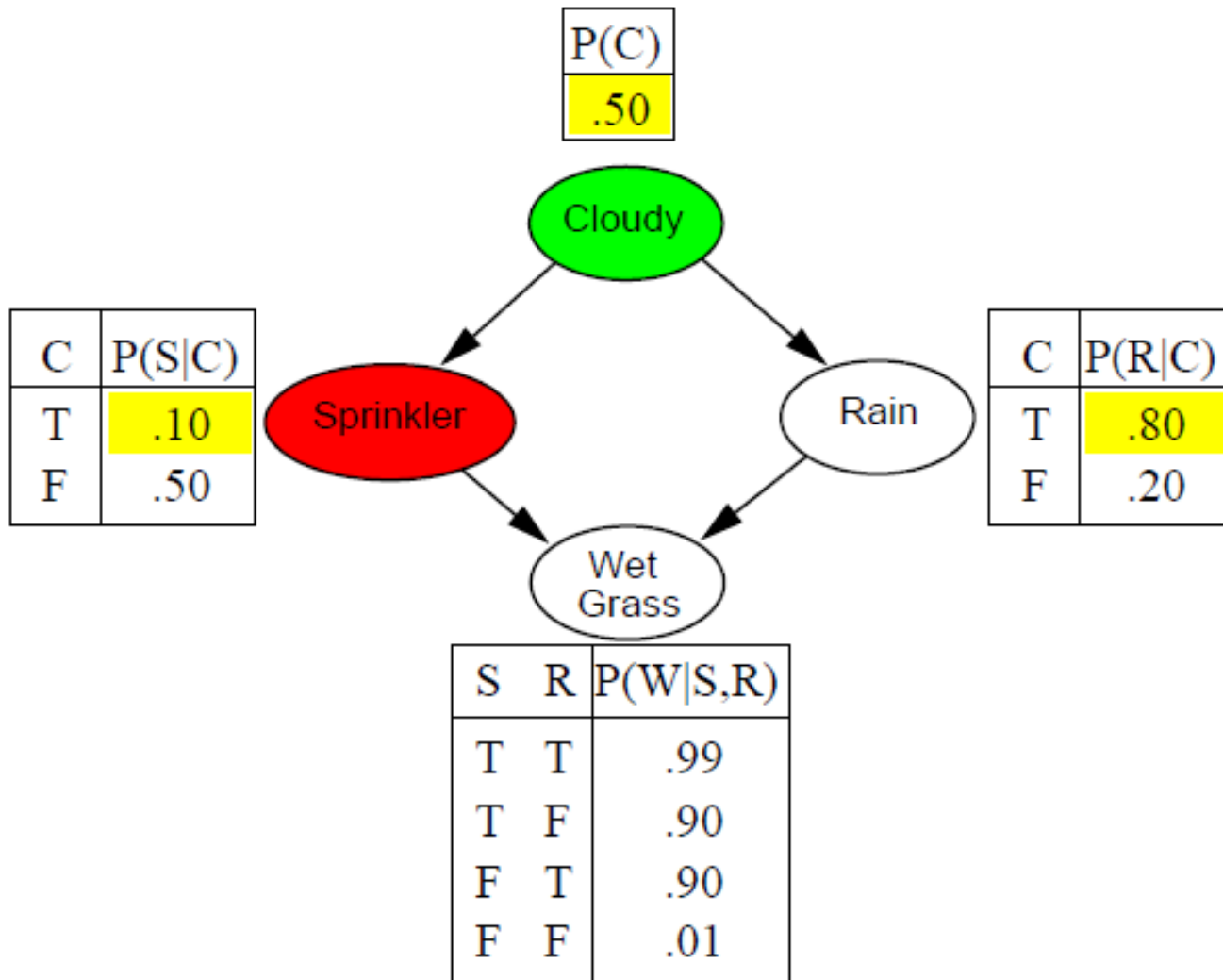
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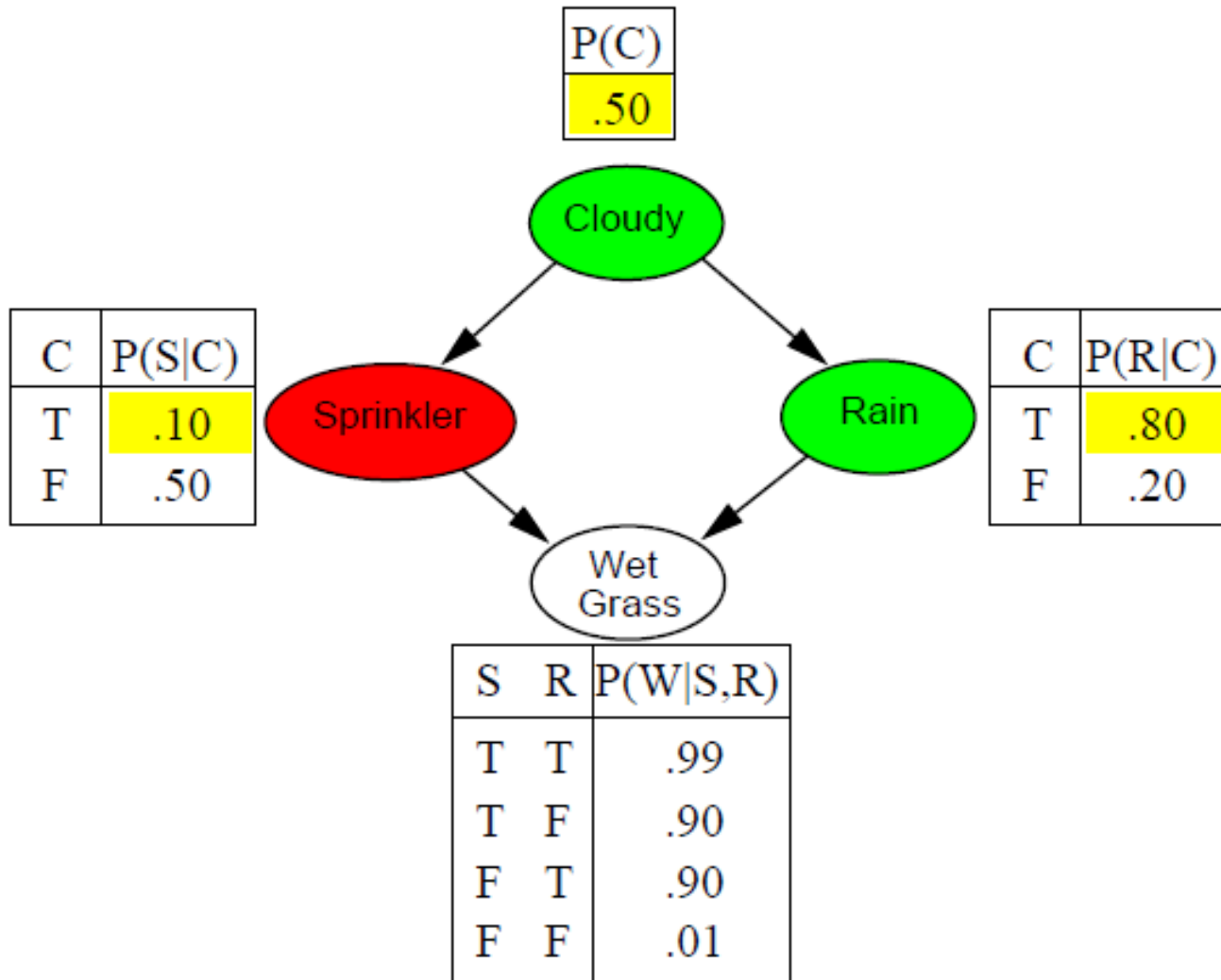
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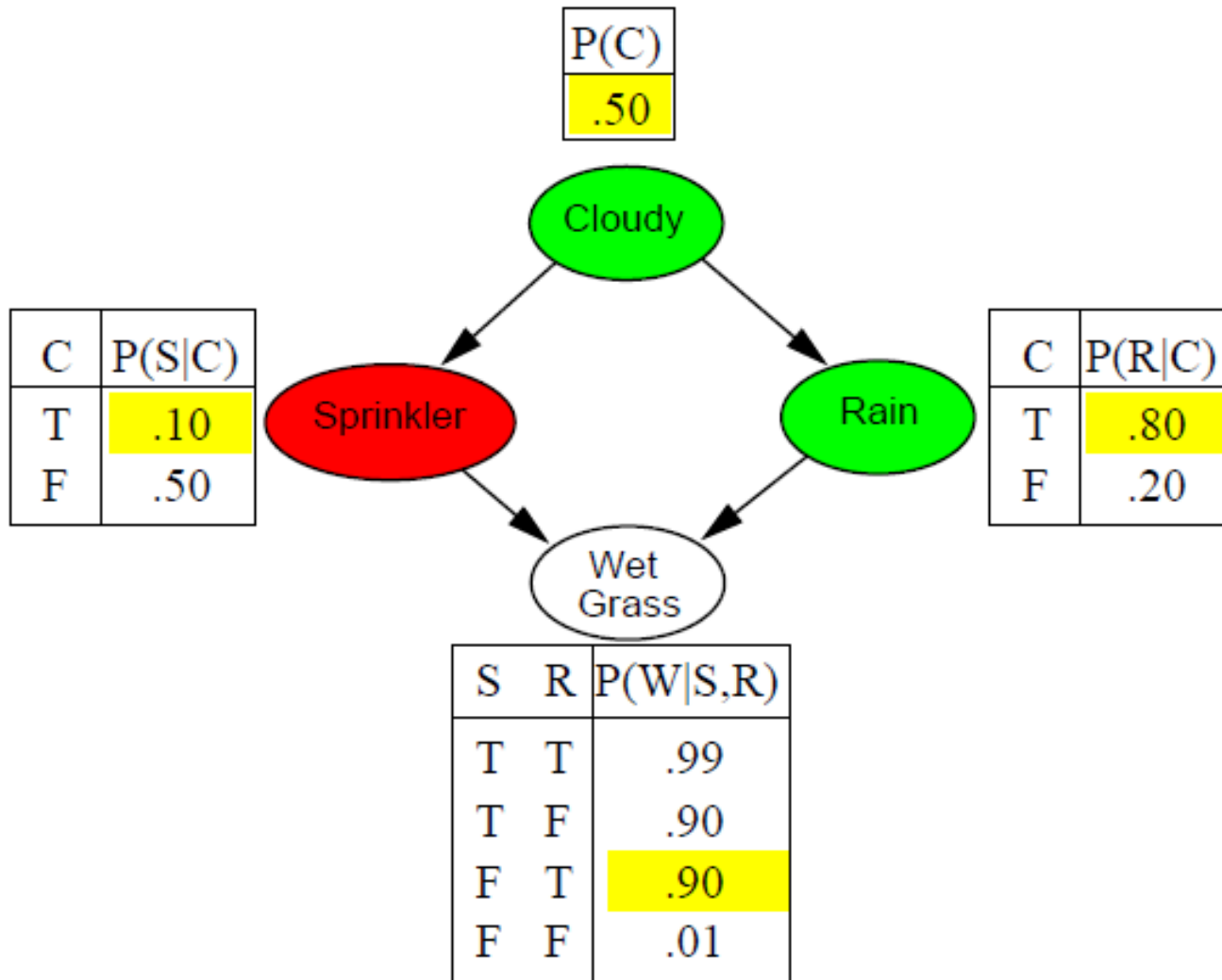
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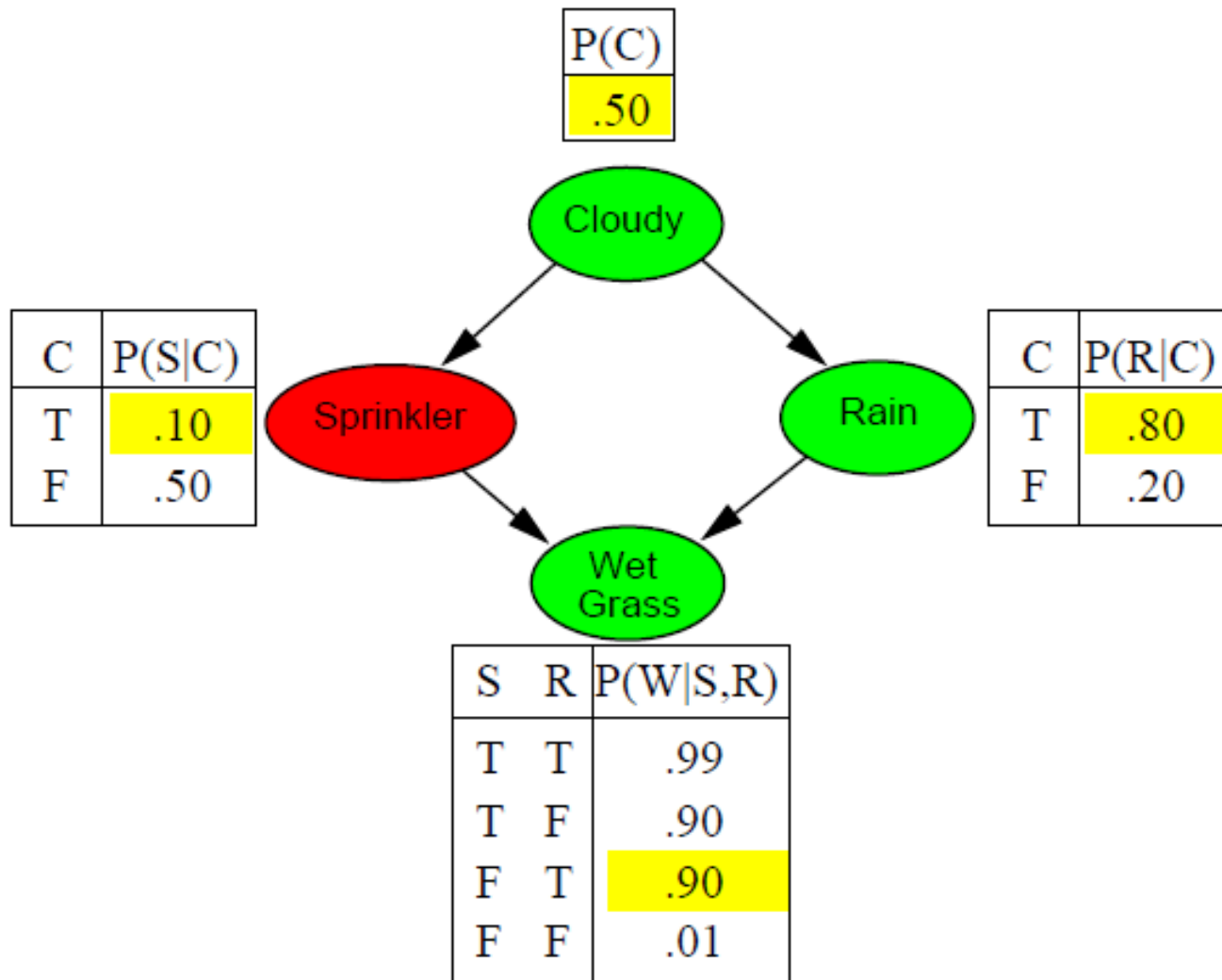
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Sampling from an empty network contd.

Probability that PRIORSAMPLE generates a particular event

$$S_{PS}(x_1 \dots x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i)) = P(x_1 \dots x_n)$$

i.e., the true prior probability

E.g., $S_{PS}(t, f, t, t) = 0.5 \times 0.9 \times 0.8 \times 0.9 = 0.324 = P(t, f, t, t)$

Let $N_{PS}(x_1 \dots x_n)$ be the number of samples generated for event x_1, \dots, x_n

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{P}(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} N_{PS}(x_1, \dots, x_n) / N \\ &= S_{PS}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= P(x_1 \dots x_n) \end{aligned}$$

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That is, estimates derived from PRIORSAMPLE are consistent

Shorthand: $\hat{P}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \approx P(x_1 \dots x_n)$

Rejection sampling

$\hat{P}(X|e)$ estimated from samples agreeing with e

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function REJECTION-SAMPLING( $X, e, bn, N$ ) returns an estimate of  $P(X|e)$ 
  local variables:  $N$ , a vector of counts over  $X$ , initially zero
  for  $j = 1$  to  $N$  do
     $x \leftarrow \text{PRIOR-SAMPLE}(bn)$ 
    if  $x$  is consistent with  $e$  then
       $N[x] \leftarrow N[x] + 1$  where  $x$  is the value of  $X$  in  $x$ 
  return NORMALIZE( $N[X]$ )
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E.g., estimate $P(Rain|Sprinkler = true)$ using 100 samples

27 samples have $Sprinkler = true$

Of these, 8 have $Rain = true$ and 19 have $Rain = false$.

$\hat{P}(Rain|Sprinkler = true) = \text{NORMALIZE}(\langle 8, 19 \rangle) = \langle 0.296, 0.704 \rangle$

Similar to a basic real-world empirical estimation procedure

Analysis of rejection sampling

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{P}(X|e) &= \alpha N_{PS}(X, e) && \text{(algorithm defn.)} \\ &= N_{PS}(X, e) / N_{PS}(e) && \text{(normalized by } N_{PS}(e) \text{)} \\ &\approx P(X, e) / P(e) && \text{(property of PRIORSAMPLE)} \\ &= P(X|e) && \text{(defn. of conditional probability)}\end{aligned}$$

Hence rejection sampling returns consistent posterior estimates

Problem: hopelessly expensive if $P(e)$ is small

$P(e)$ drops off exponentially with number of evidence variables!

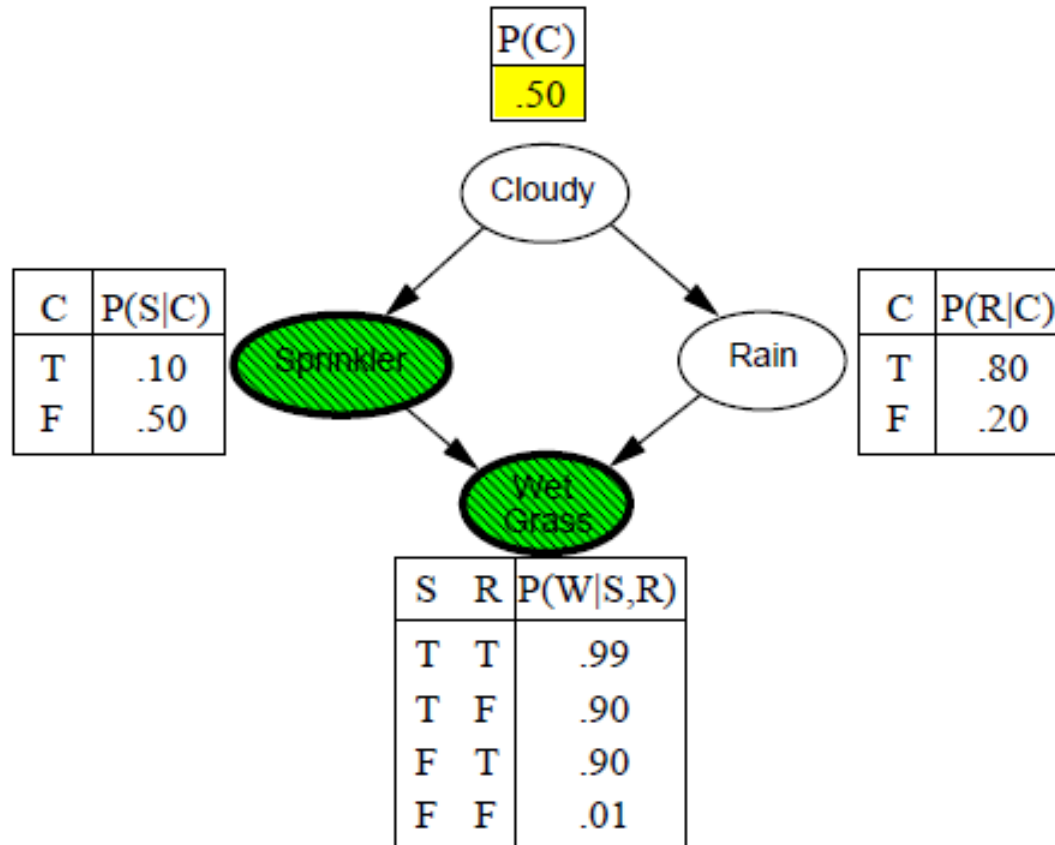
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Likelihood weighting

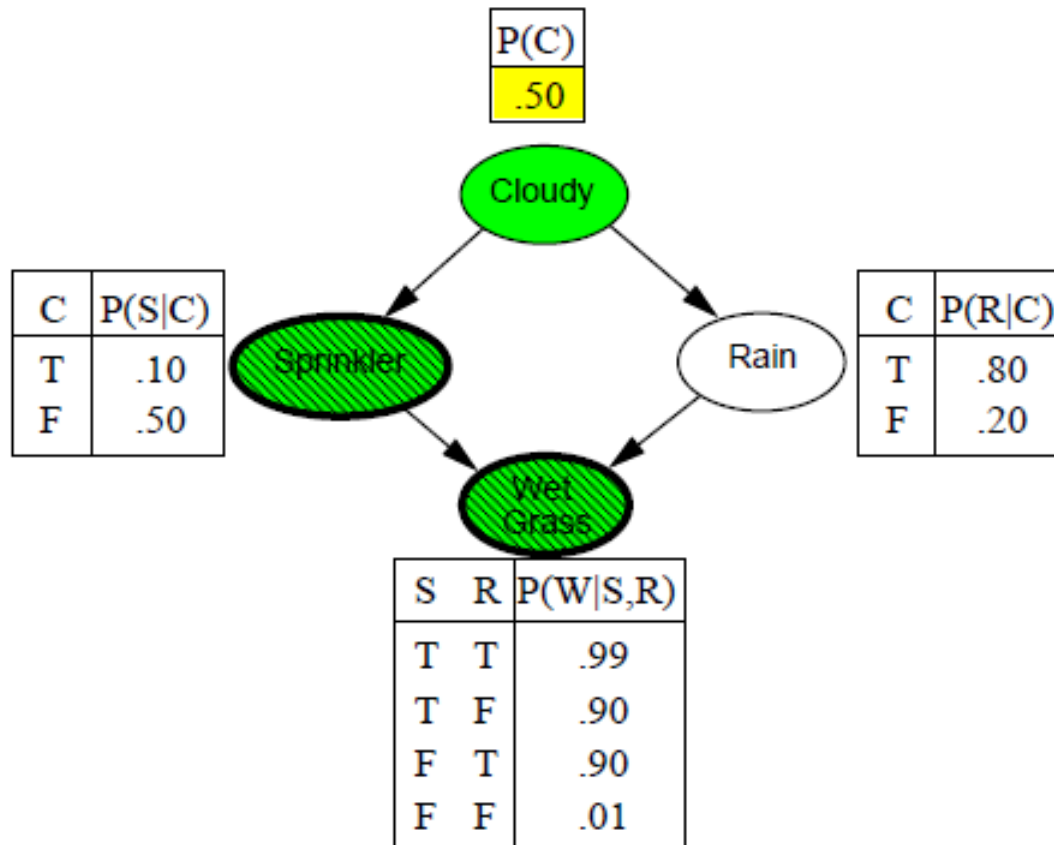
Idea: fix evidence variables, sample only nonevidence variables,
and weight each sample by the likelihood it accords the evidence

Likelihood weighting example



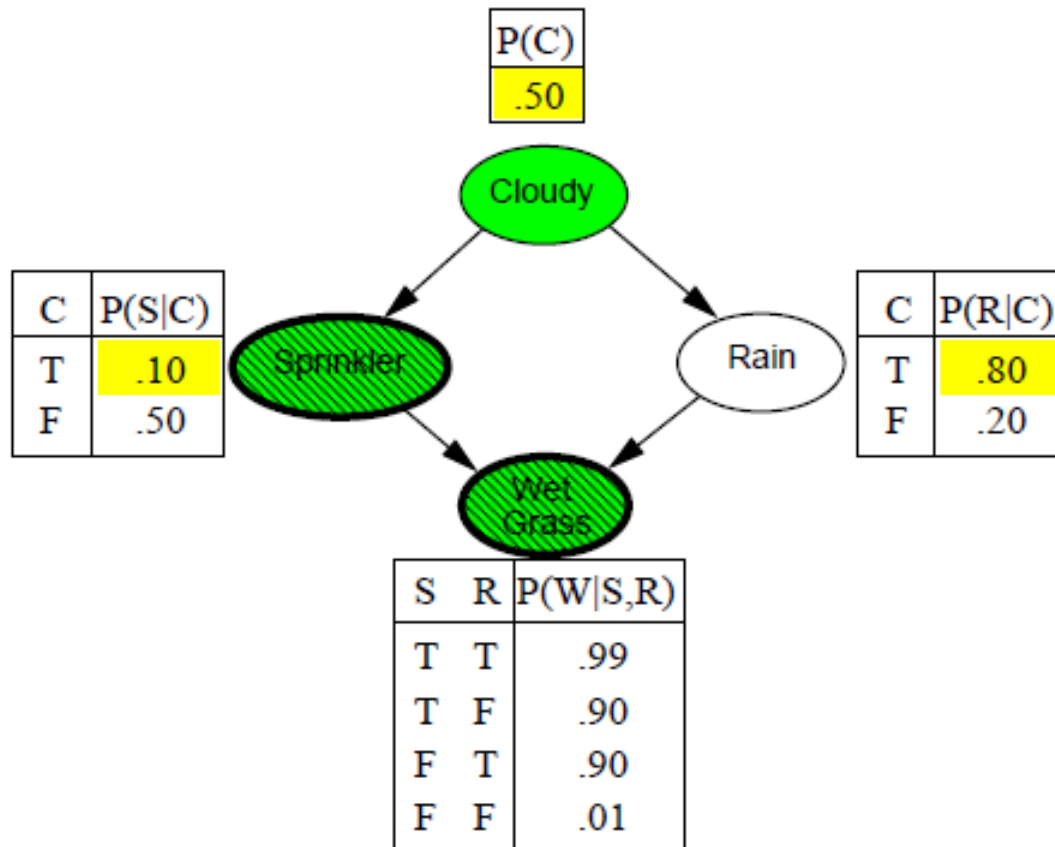
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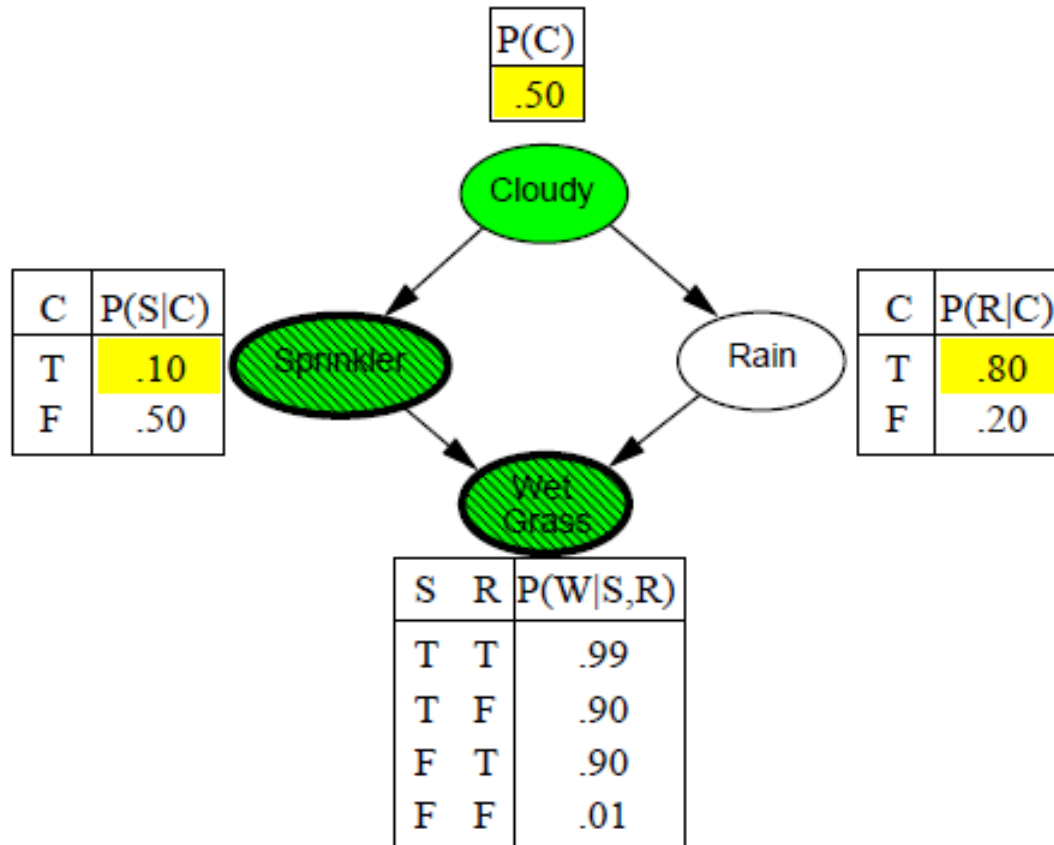
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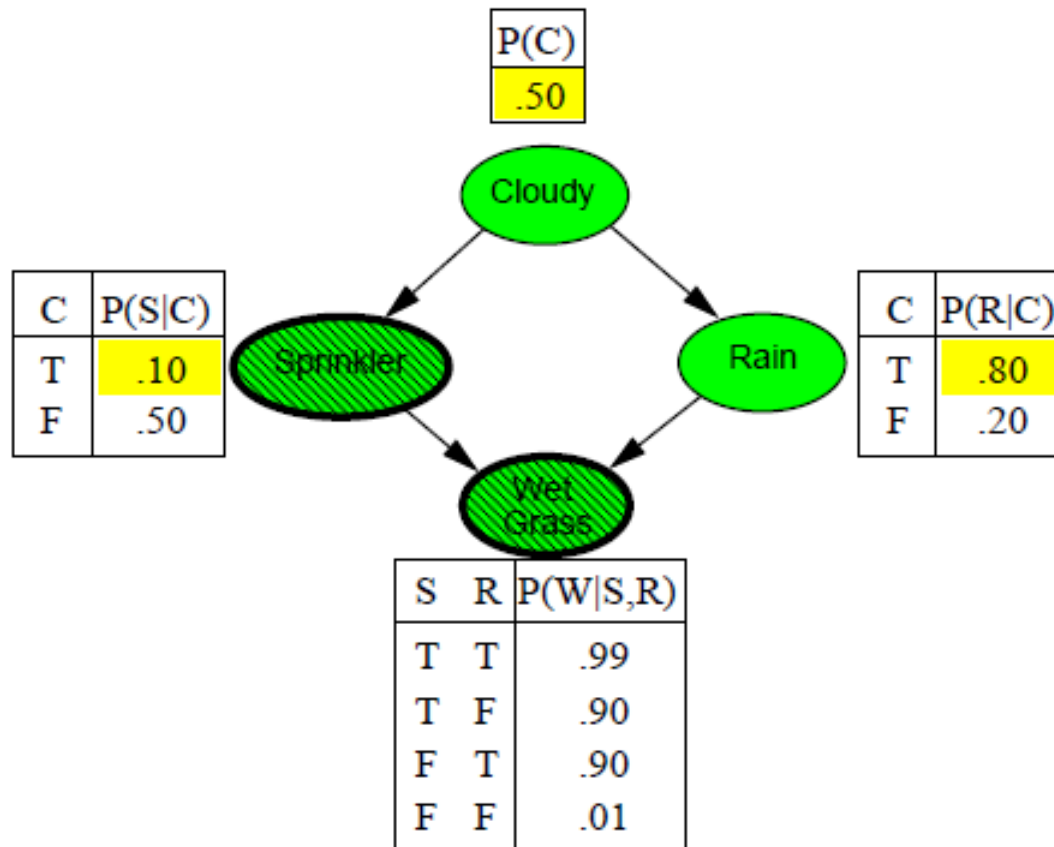
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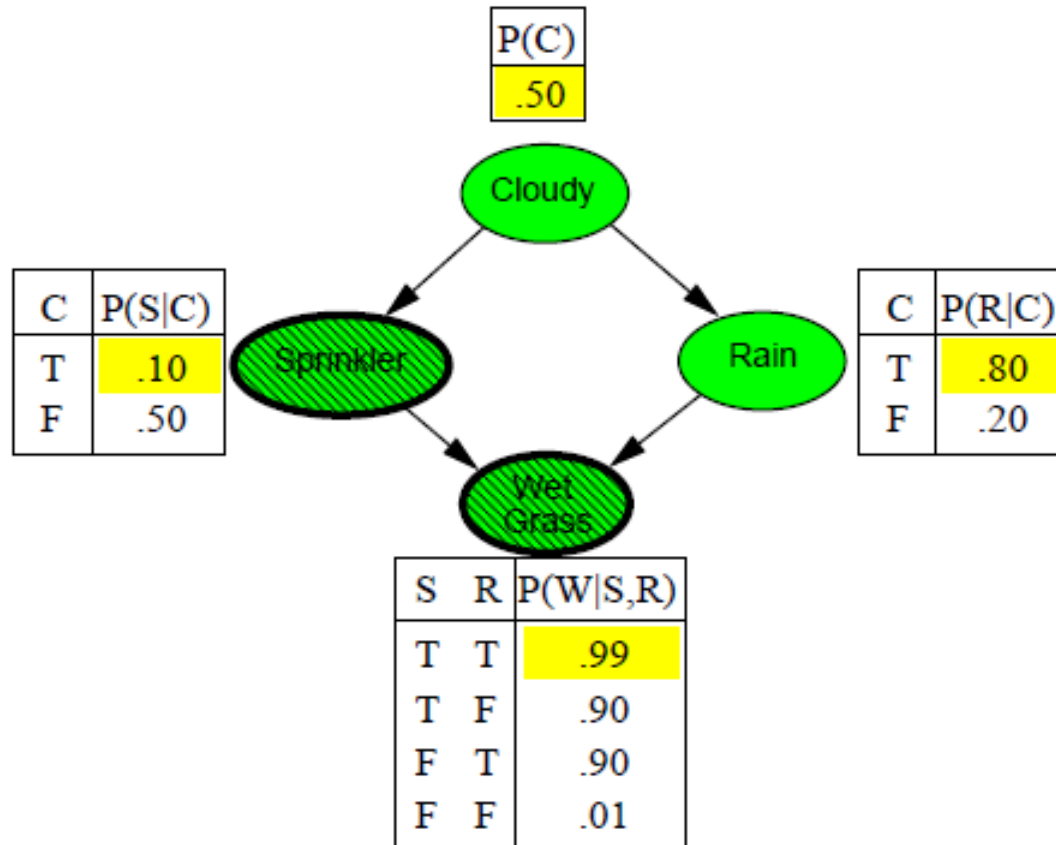
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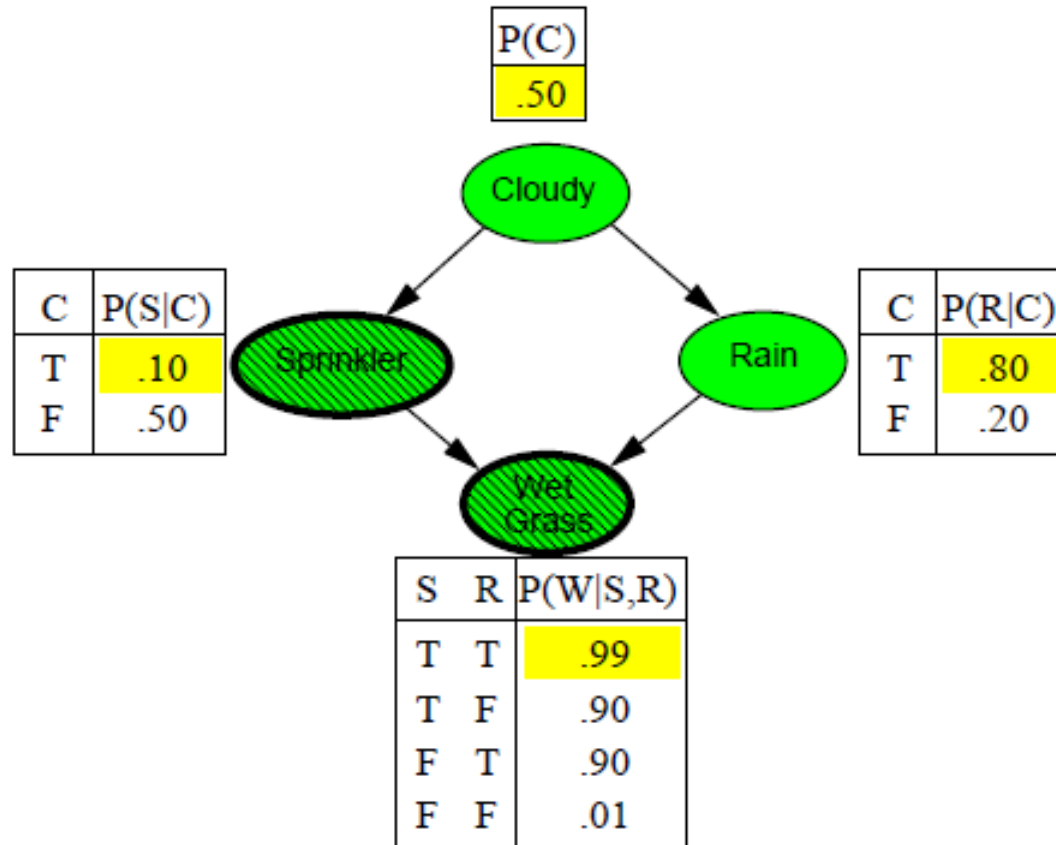
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$$w = 1.0 \times 0.1 \times 0.99 = 0.099$$

Likelihood weighting analysis

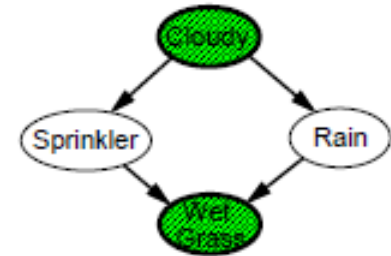
Sampling probability for WEIGHTEDSAMPLE is

$$S_{WS}(z, e) = \prod_{i=1}^l P(z_i | \text{parents}(Z_i))$$

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Note: pays attention to evidence in **ancestors** only

⇒ somewhere “in between” prior and posterior distribution



Weight for a given sample **z, e** is

$$w(z, e) = \prod_{i=1}^m P(e_i | \text{parents}(E_i))$$

m variabili **e** di evidenza

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Weighted sampling probability is

$$\begin{aligned} S_{WS}(z, e) w(z, e) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^l P(z_i | \text{parents}(Z_i)) \prod_{i=1}^m P(e_i | \text{parents}(E_i)) \\ &= P(z, e) \text{ (by standard global semantics of network)} \end{aligned}$$

Hence likelihood weighting returns consistent estimates

but performance still degrades with many evidence variables because a few samples have nearly all the total weight

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- se l'evidenza è nelle "prime" variabili, i campioni generati saranno più probabili data l'evidenza stessa, quindi con peso maggiore (più significativi)
- se l'evidenza è nelle "ultime" variabili, i campioni generati saranno generati essenzialmente secondo le probabilità a priori, e gli verranno assegnati pesi potenzialmente molto bassi (poco significativi)

Esercizio Inferenza Approssimata

- sperimentate con le implementazioni AIMA code di Rejection Sampling (RS) e Likelihood Weighting (LW) per verificare:
 - la dipendenza dell'accuratezza dei due algoritmi dal numero di campioni generati
 - la miglior convergenza di LW rispetto a RS
 - la miglior convergenza di LW quando le osservazioni sono all'inizio dell'ordine topologico