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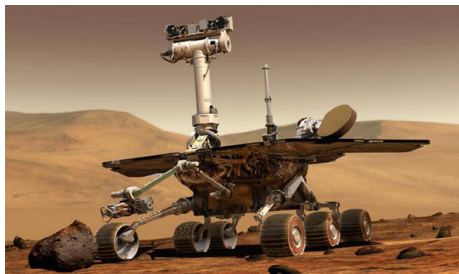
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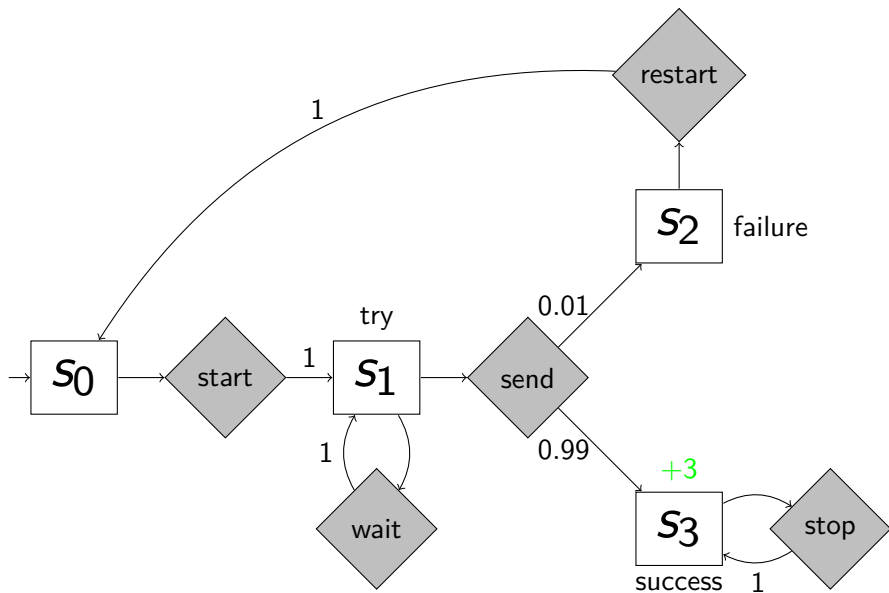
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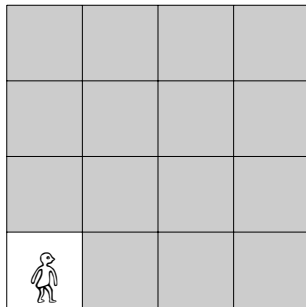
Markov Decision Process



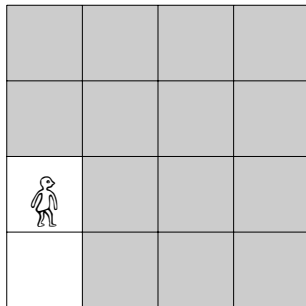
Collecting Objects in a Grid

- Each cell is either visited or unvisited.
- When entering an unvisited cell, with probability p the agent receives an object.
- Once a set number of objects is collected, the agent heads home.

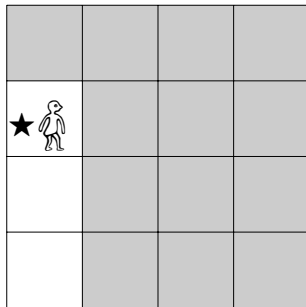
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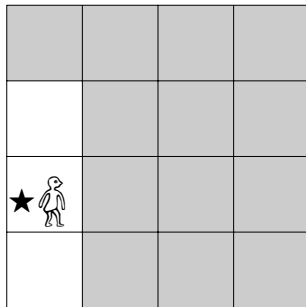
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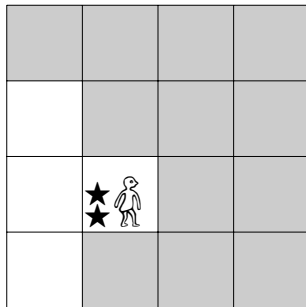
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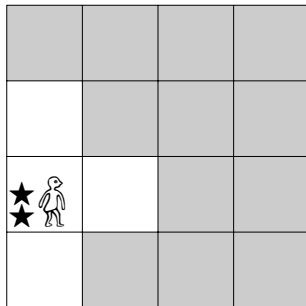
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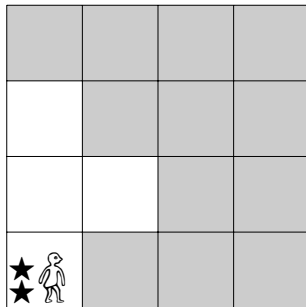
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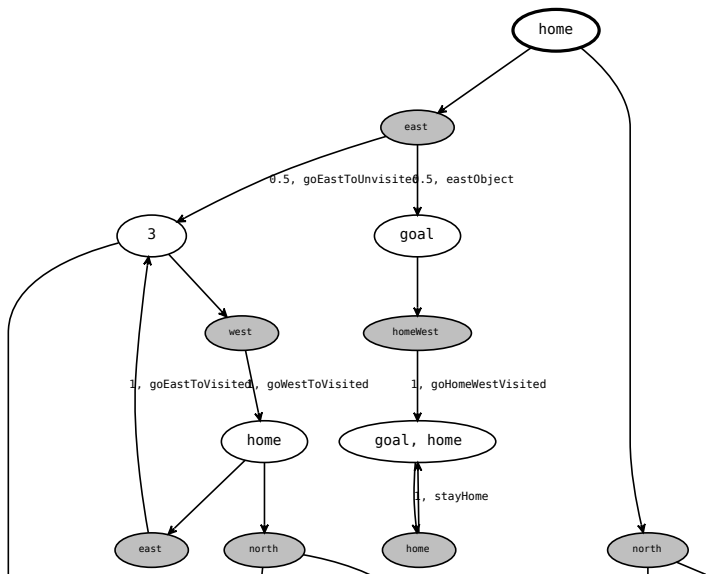
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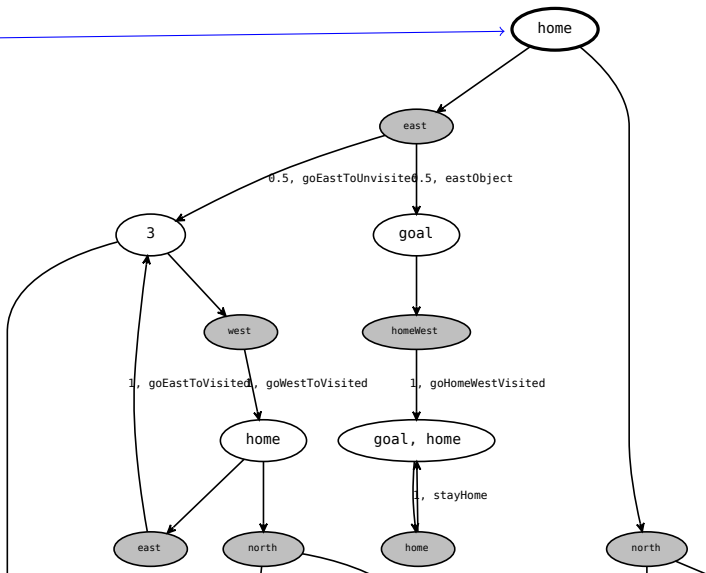
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 - ★ unvisited + object

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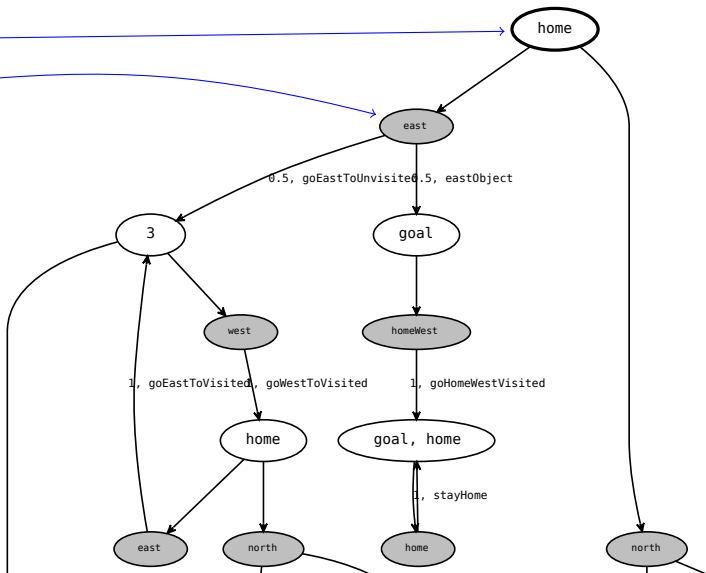
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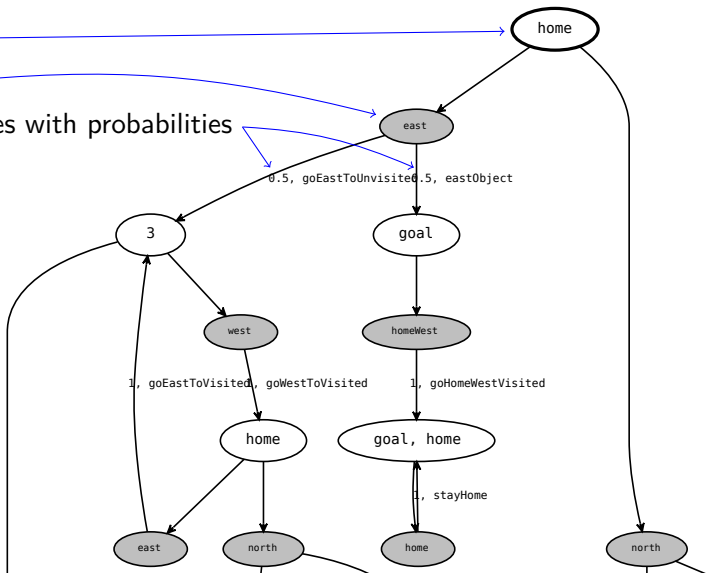
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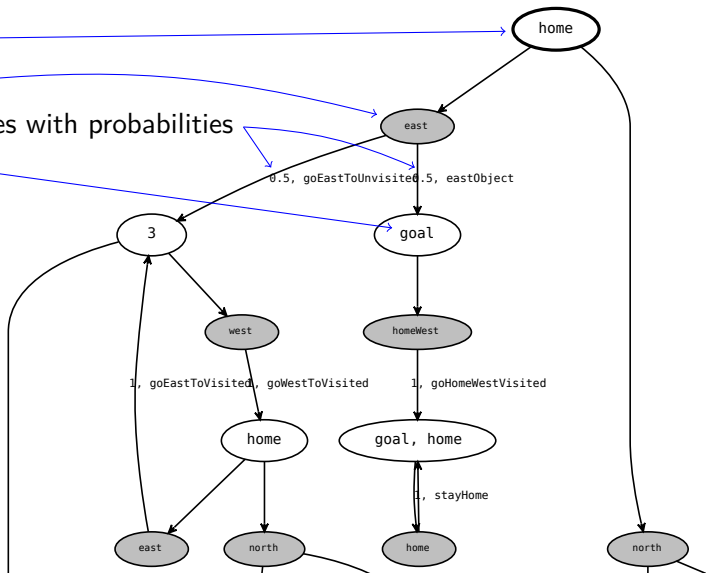
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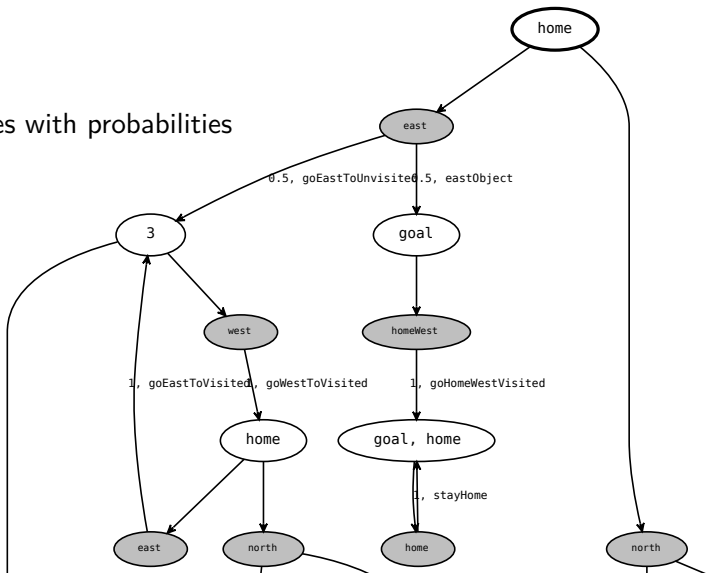
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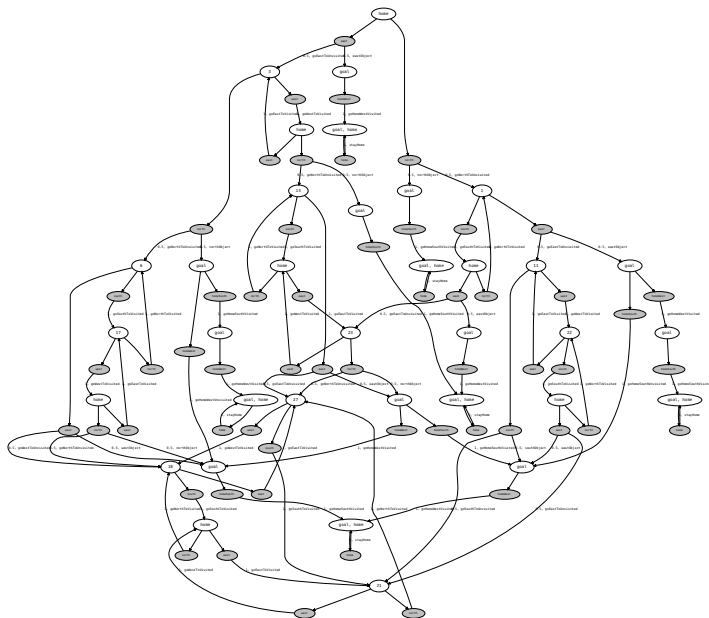


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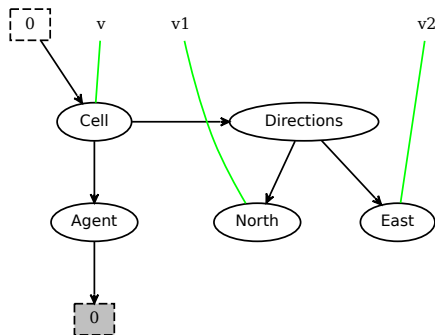
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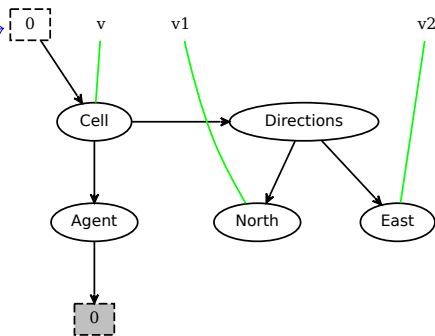


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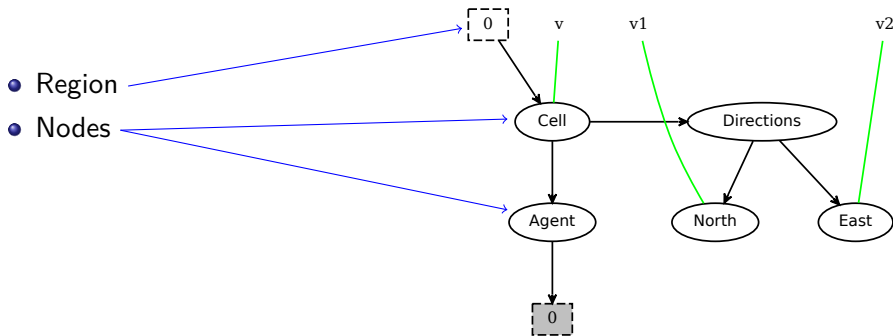


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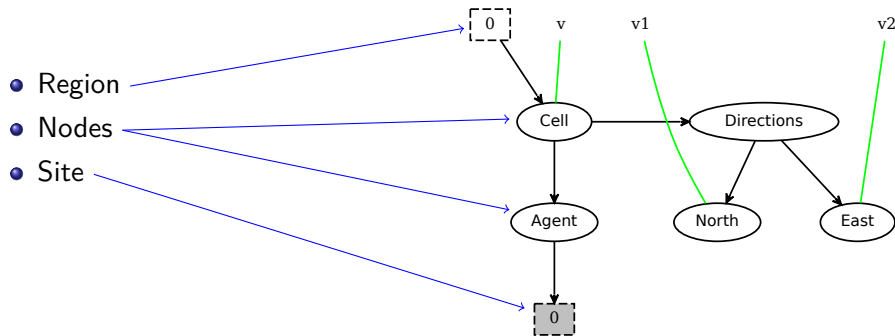
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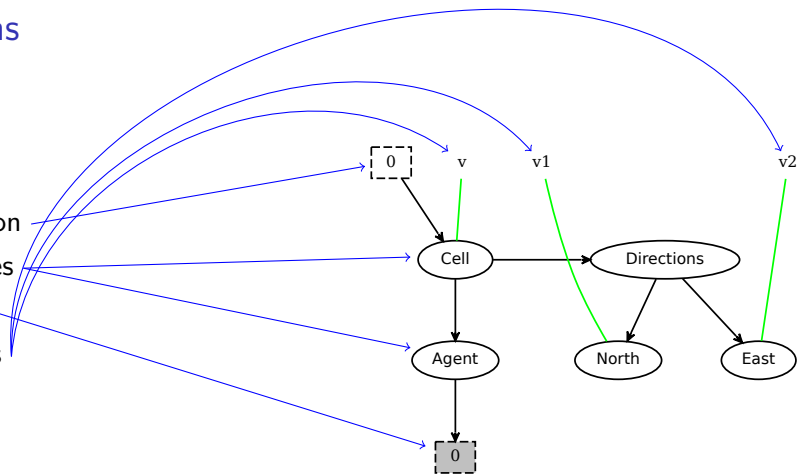


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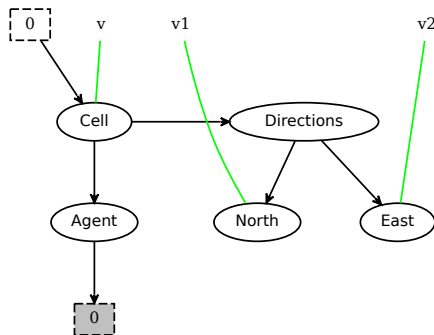


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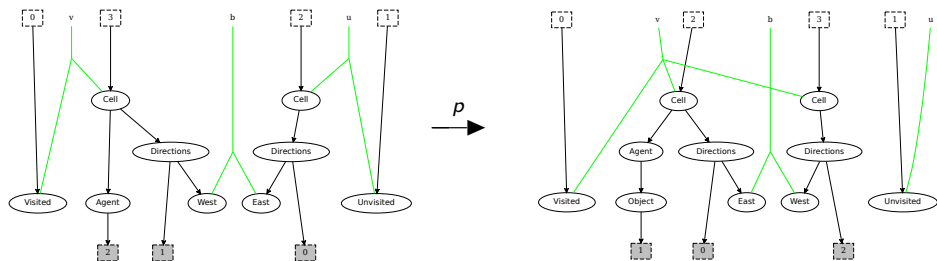


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big home = Cell{v}.(Directions.(North{v1}  
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Reaction Rule: Go West and Collect an Object



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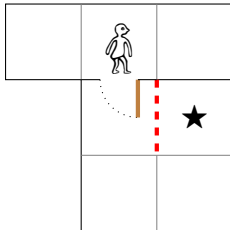
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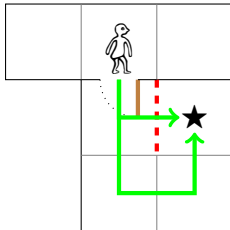
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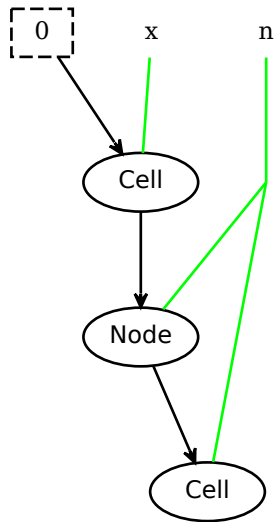
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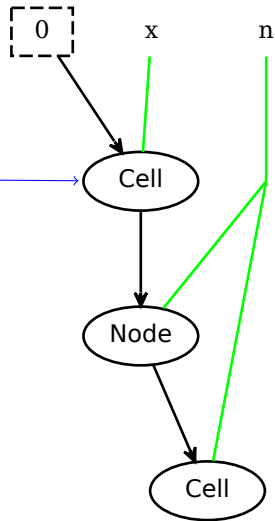
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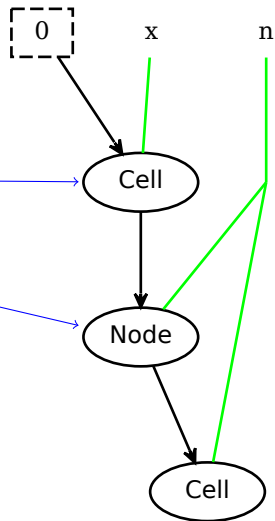
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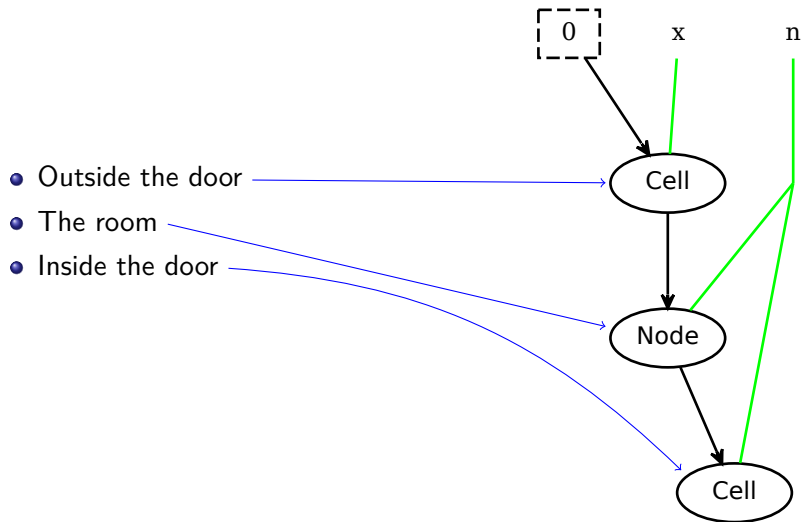


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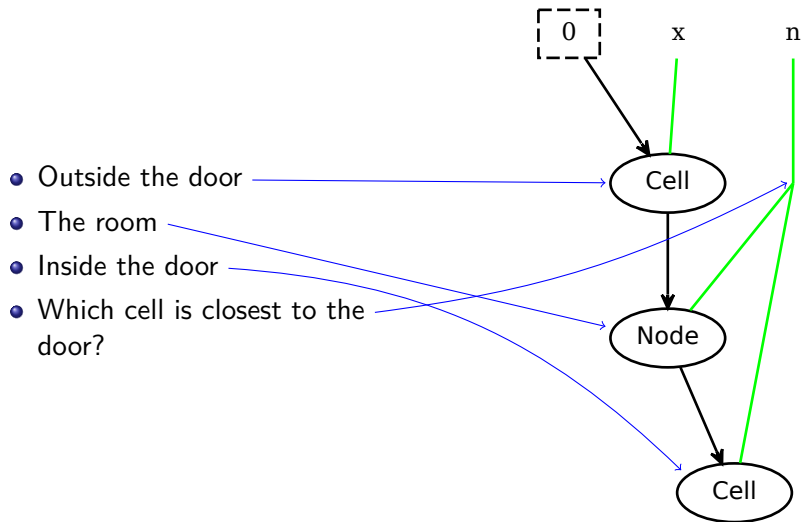
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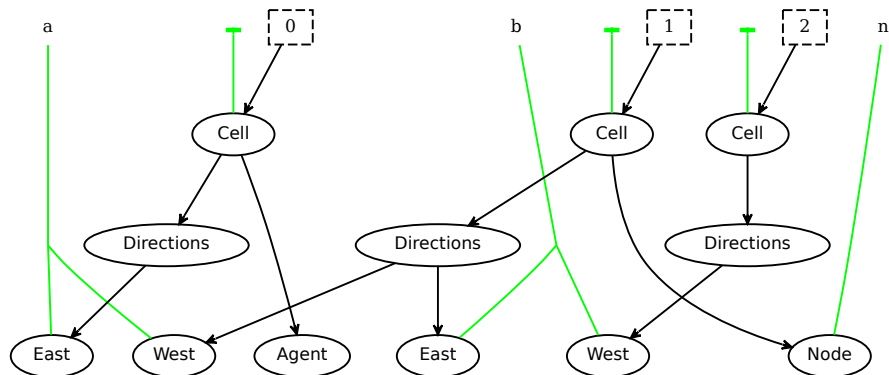
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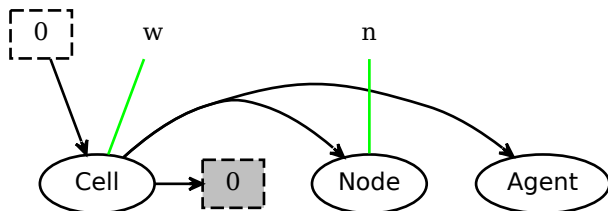
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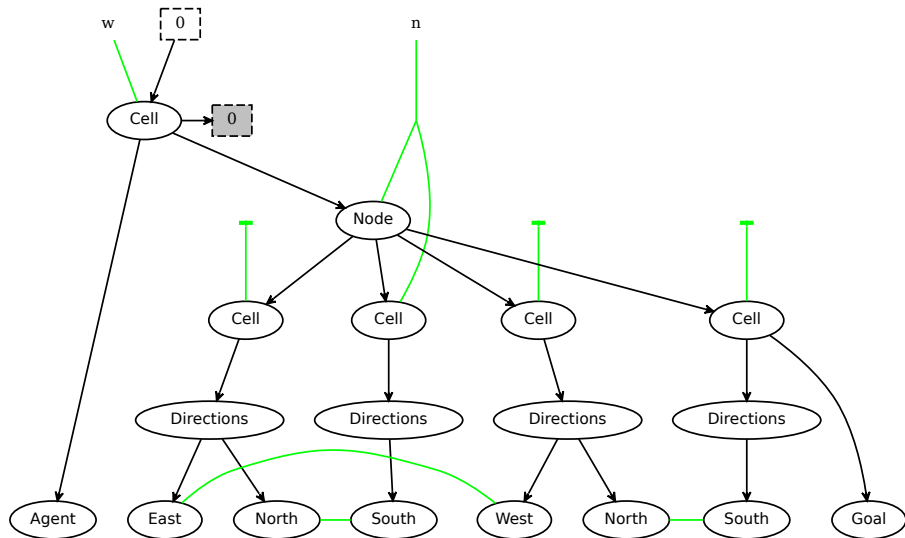
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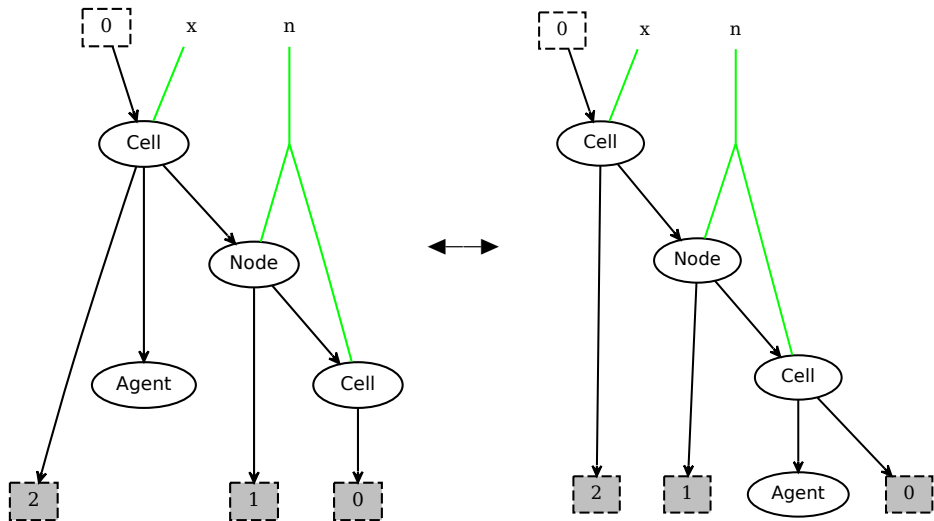
Opening the Door



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Entering/Leaving a Room



Conclusions

- + A direct visual representation of the modelled situation
- + Easy to represent complicated spatial structures and uncertainty about them
- + Succinct and easy to modify
- Some simple ideas are impossible or hard to implement
- Not every aspect of a model can be exported for quantitative analysis
- More work to be done on probabilistic space