

Inflation Technique

A Brief Introduction

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Graph Theory Notation

Let $n, m \in \mathcal{N}$ be nodes of the graph \mathcal{G} .

parents of n : $\text{Pa}_{\mathcal{G}}(n) \equiv \{m \mid m \rightarrow n\}$

children of n : $\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{G}}(n) \equiv \{m \mid n \rightarrow m\}$

ancestry of n : $\text{An}_{\mathcal{G}}(n) \equiv \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{W}} \text{Pa}_{\mathcal{G}}^i(n)$

$$\text{Pa}_{\mathcal{G}}^0(n) = n \quad \text{Pa}_{\mathcal{G}}^i(n) \equiv \text{Pa}_{\mathcal{G}}\left(\text{Pa}_{\mathcal{G}}^{i-1}(n)\right)$$

Notation extends to sets of nodes $N \subseteq \mathcal{N}$,

parents of N : $\text{Pa}_{\mathcal{G}}(N) \equiv \bigcup_{n \in N} \text{Pa}_{\mathcal{G}}(n)$

children of N : $\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{G}}(N) \equiv \bigcup_{n \in N} \text{Ch}_{\mathcal{G}}(n)$

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An **induced subgraph** of $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{E})$ due to $N \subseteq \mathcal{N}$

$$\text{Sub}_{\mathcal{G}}(N) = (N, \{e \in \mathcal{E} \mid e \subseteq N\})$$

Definition

An **inflation** of a causal structure \mathcal{G} is another causal structure \mathcal{G}' such that:

$$\forall n' \in \mathcal{N}', n' \sim n \in \mathcal{N} : \text{AnSub}_{\mathcal{G}'}(n') \sim \text{AnSub}_{\mathcal{G}}(n)$$

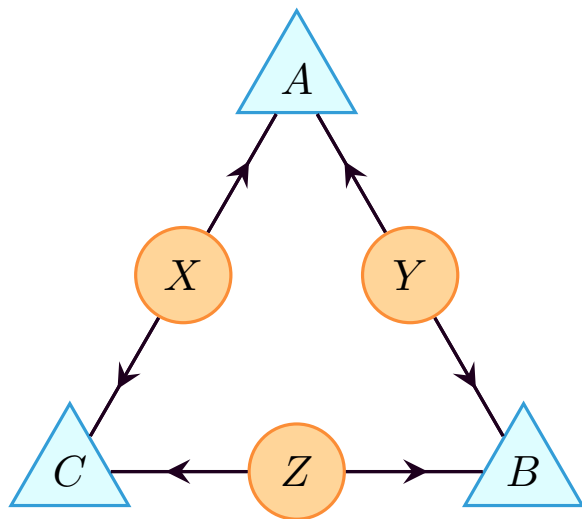
Where $\text{AnSub}_{\mathcal{G}}(n)$ denotes the **ancestral sub-graph** of n in \mathcal{G}

$$\text{AnSub}_{\mathcal{G}}(n) = \text{Sub}_{\mathcal{G}}(\text{An}_{\mathcal{G}}(n))$$

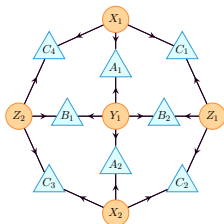
And ' \sim ' is a **copy-index** equivalence relation

$$A_1 \sim A_2 \sim A \not\sim B_1 \sim B_2 \sim B$$

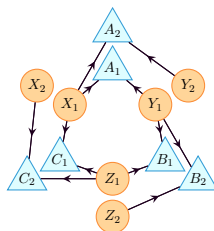
Case Study: The Triangle Scenario



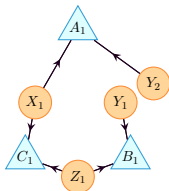
Some Inflations of the Triangle Scenario



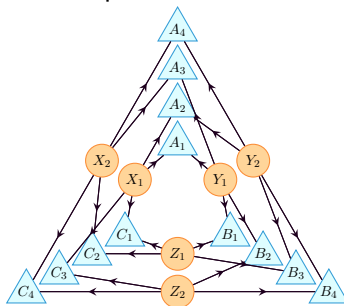
Wagon Wheel Inflation



Spiral Inflation

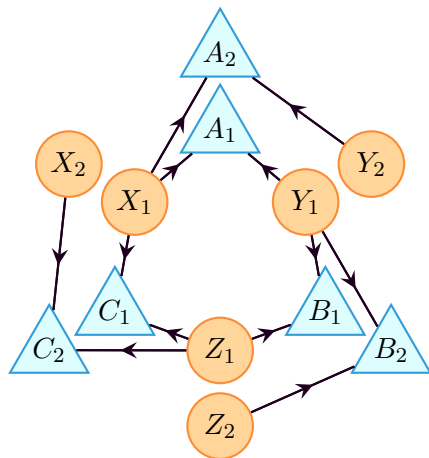
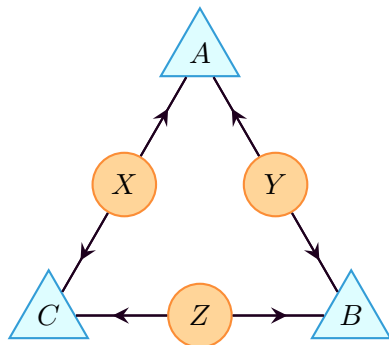


Cut Inflation



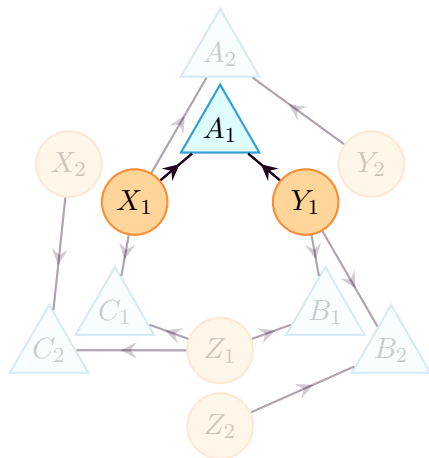
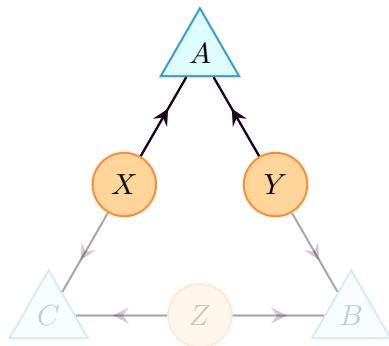
Web Inflation

Demonstrating Inflation Technique



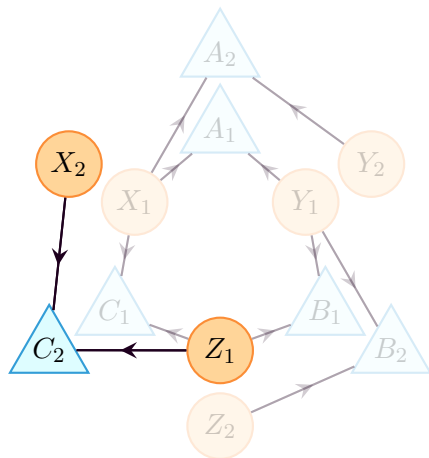
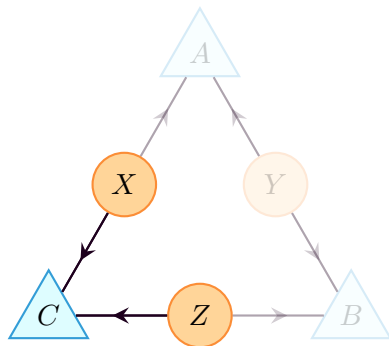
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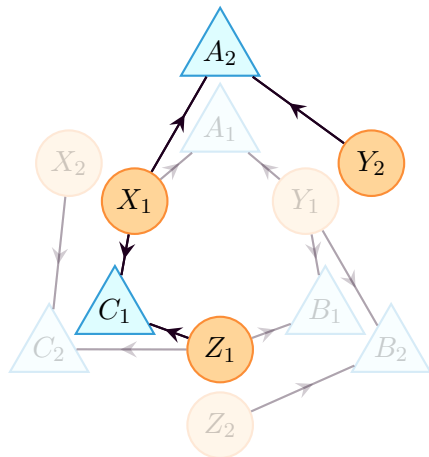
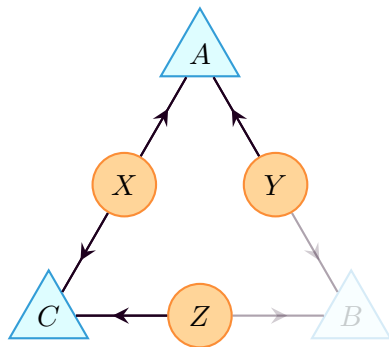
$$\text{AnSub}_G(A) \sim \text{AnSub}_{G'}(A_1)$$

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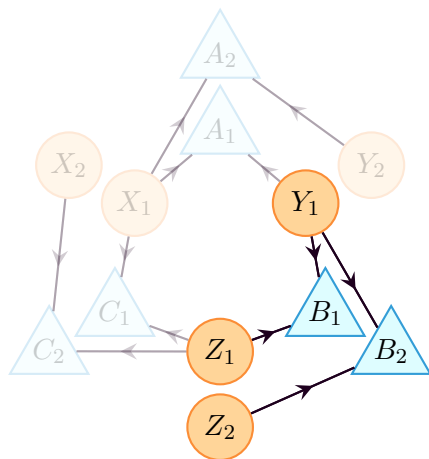
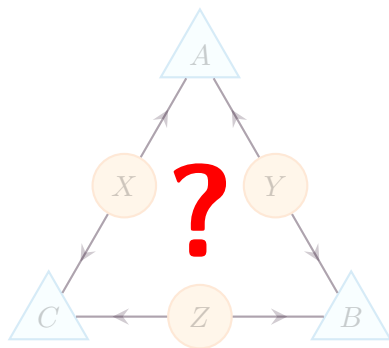
$$\text{AnSub}_G(C) \sim \text{AnSub}_{G'}(C_2)$$

What are Injectable Sets?



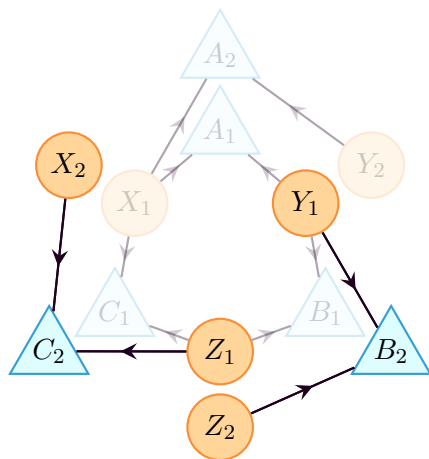
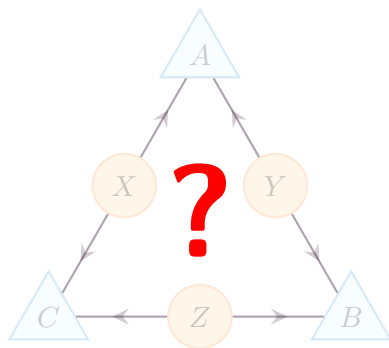
$$\text{AnSub}_{\mathcal{G}}(A, C) \sim \text{AnSub}_{\mathcal{G}'}(A_2, C_1)$$

What are Injectable Sets?



?? $\not\sim \text{AnSub}_{G'}(B_1, B_2)$

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Injectable Sets Defined

The **injectable sets** in \mathcal{G}' :

$$\text{Inj}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{G}') \equiv \{N' \subseteq \mathcal{N}' \mid \exists N \subseteq \mathcal{N} : N \sim N'\}$$

The **images of the injectable sets** in \mathcal{G} :

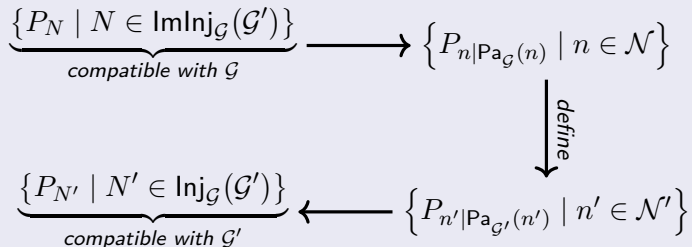
$$\text{ImInj}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{G}') \equiv \{N \subseteq \mathcal{N} \mid \exists N' \subseteq \mathcal{N}' : N \sim N'\}$$

What makes injectable sets useful?

Inflation Lemma

Lemma (Inflation Lemma)

Given $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{E})$ and inflation $\mathcal{G}' = (\mathcal{N}', \mathcal{E}')$:

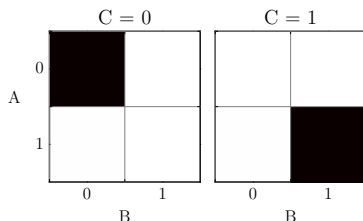


Corollary

All inequalities I' constraining $\text{Inj}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{G}')$ can be *deflated* into inequalities I constraining $\text{ImInj}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{G}')$ by dropping copy-indices.

Perfect Correlation Is Incompatible

Perfect Correlation



$$\blacksquare = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P_{ABC}(abc) = \frac{[000] + [111]}{2}$$

$$P_{ABC}(abc) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & a = b = c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

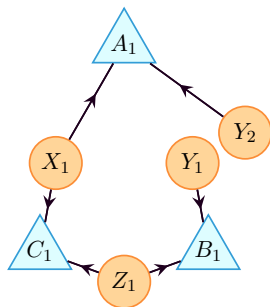
Compatibility Inequality

$$P_A(0)P_B(1) \leq P_{BC}(10) + P_{AC}(01)$$

Witnesses Perfect Correlation

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \not\leq 0 + 0$$

Deriving Compatibility Inequalities



$$\mathcal{M} = \{\{A_1, B_1\}, \{B_1, C_1\}, \{A_1, C_1\}\}$$

$$P^{\mathcal{M}} = \{P_{A_1 B_1}, P_{B_1 C_1}, P_{A_1 C_1}\}$$

Compatibility requires: $\exists P_{\mathcal{J}} = P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}$

$$P_{A_1 B_1} = \sum_{C_1} P_{\mathcal{J}} \quad P_{B_1 C_1} = \sum_{A_1} P_{\mathcal{J}} \quad P_{A_1 C_1} = \sum_{B_1} P_{\mathcal{J}}$$

Deriving Compatibility Inequalities Cont'd

$$\underbrace{P_{A_1 B_1} = \sum_{C_1} P_{\mathcal{J}} \quad P_{B_1 C_1} = \sum_{A_1} P_{\mathcal{J}} \quad P_{A_1 C_1} = \sum_{B_1} P_{\mathcal{J}}}$$

$$\underbrace{\forall V \in \mathcal{M} : P_V = \sum_{\mathcal{J} \setminus V} P_{\mathcal{J}}}$$

$$\mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{M}} = M \mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{J}}$$

$$\mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{M}} = \begin{pmatrix} P_{A_1 B_1}(00) \\ P_{A_1 B_1}(01) \\ P_{A_1 B_1}(10) \\ P_{A_1 B_1}(11) \\ \hline P_{B_1 C_1}(00) \\ P_{B_1 C_1}(01) \\ P_{B_1 C_1}(10) \\ P_{B_1 C_1}(11) \\ \hline P_{A_1 C_1}(00) \\ P_{A_1 C_1}(01) \\ P_{A_1 C_1}(10) \\ P_{A_1 C_1}(11) \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{J}} = \begin{pmatrix} P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}(000) \\ P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}(001) \\ P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}(010) \\ P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}(011) \\ P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}(100) \\ P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}(101) \\ P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}(110) \\ P_{A_1 B_1 C_1}(111) \end{pmatrix}$$

Incidence Example

$$M = \begin{array}{l} (A_1, B_1, C_1) = \\ (A_1=0, B_1=0) \\ (A_1=0, B_1=1) \\ (A_1=1, B_1=0) \\ (A_1=1, B_1=1) \\ (B_1=0, C_1=0) \\ (B_1=0, C_1=1) \\ (B_1=1, C_1=0) \\ (B_1=1, C_1=1) \\ (A_1=0, C_1=0) \\ (A_1=0, C_1=1) \\ (A_1=1, C_1=0) \\ (A_1=1, C_1=1) \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} (0,0,0) & (0,0,1) & (0,1,0) & (0,1,1) & (1,0,0) & (1,0,1) & (1,1,0) & (1,1,1) \\ \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{M}} = M\mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{I}}$$

Finding Inequalities

Linear Program:

minimize: $\emptyset x$

subject to: $\mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{J}} \succeq 0$

$$M\mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{J}} = \mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{M}}$$

Dual Linear Program:

minimize: $y\mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{M}}$

subject to: $yM \succeq 0$

Alternatively,

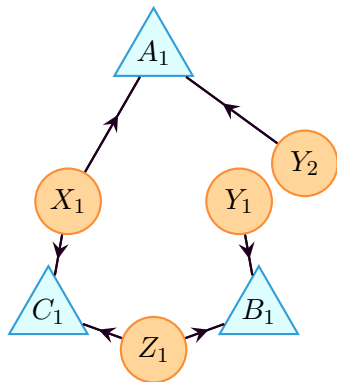
Linear Quantifier Elimination

Fourier-Motzkin

Polytope Description

etc.

Deflating Inequalities



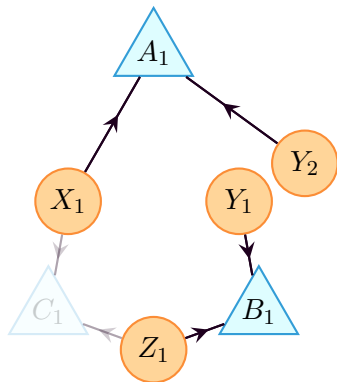
$$\text{Inj}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{G}') = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{A_1, C_1\} \\ \{B_1, C_1\} \\ \{A_1\} \\ \{B_1\} \\ \{C_1\} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\{A_1, B_1\} \notin \text{Inj}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{G}')$$

$$P_{A_1 B_1}(01) \leq P_{B_1 C_1}(10) + P_{A_1 C_1}(01)$$

Can not deflate inequality!

Deflating Inequalities



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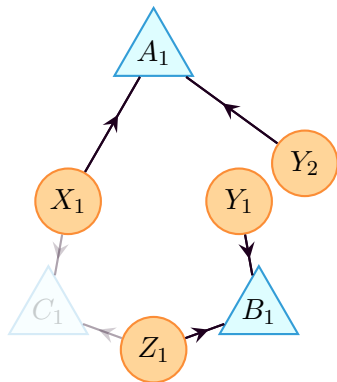
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However!

$$\text{AnSub}_{\mathcal{G}'}(A_1) \cap \text{AnSub}_{\mathcal{G}'}(B_1) = \emptyset \iff A_1 \perp B_1$$

Deflating Inequalities



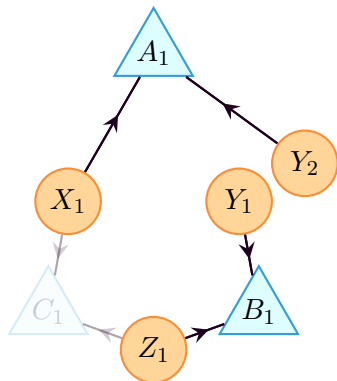
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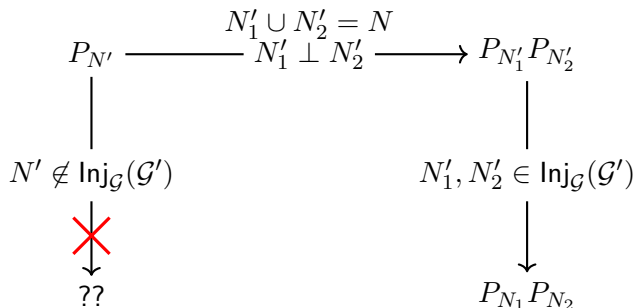
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Inflation Produces Polynomial Inequalities

Deflation demands inequality constrains injectable probabilities $P_{N'}, N' \in \text{Inj}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{G}')$

Linear inequality for \mathcal{G}'



Polynomial inequality for $\mathcal{G}!$

d -separation relations on \mathcal{G}'

+

inequalities for \mathcal{G}'

=

polynomial inequalities for \mathcal{G}