

COMP9418: Advanced Topics in Statistical Machine Learning

Graph Decomposition

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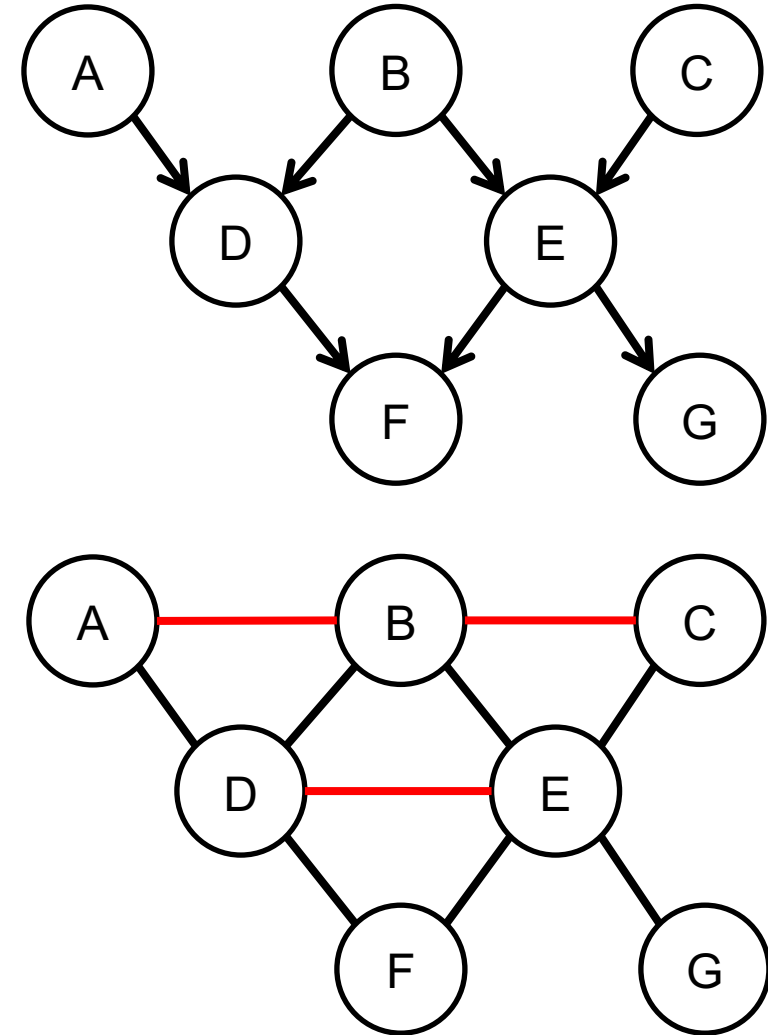
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Introduction

- In this lecture, we will study the relationships between Variable Elimination and Jointrees
 - Both can be viewed as decomposing a network in a systematic way
 - VE removes one variable at a time while FE removes one factor at a time
- We will provide more formal definitions to concepts seen in previous lectures about these topics
- And cover polynomial time algorithms to convert elimination orders to jointrees and vice-versa

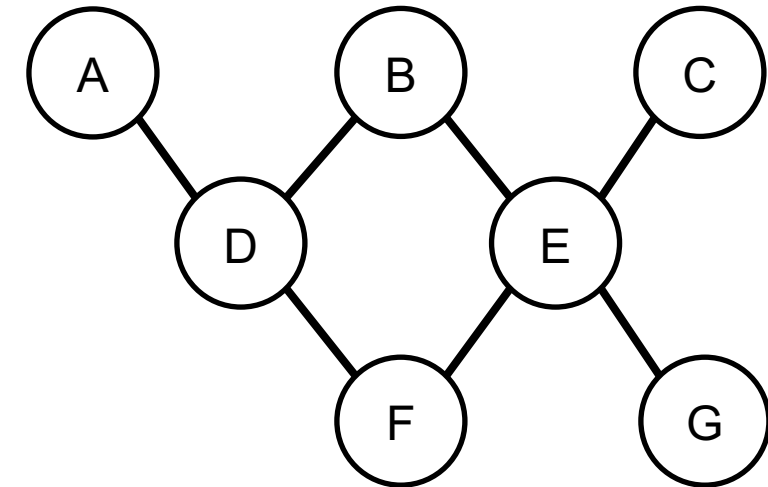
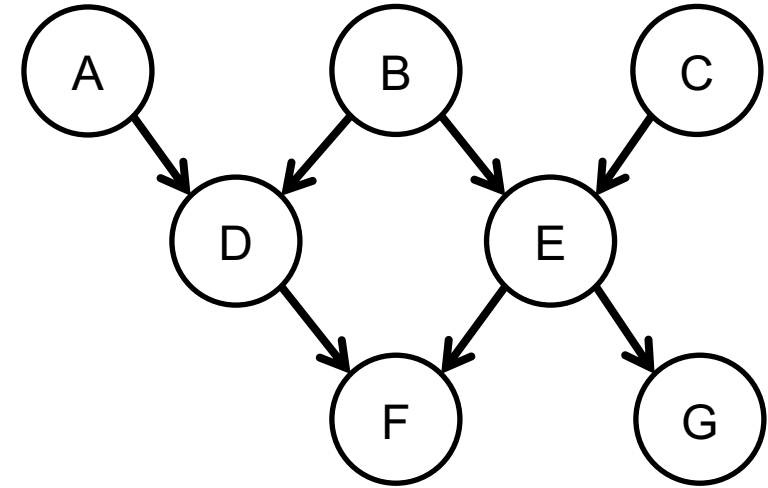
Moral Graph

- An *interaction graph* for factors ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n is an undirected graph
 - Nodes correspond to the variables appearing in ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n
 - Edges connect variables in the same factor
- If the factors are CPTs of a Bayesian network with DAG G , the induced graph can be obtained from G by *moralization*
 - Add an undirected edge between every pair of nodes that share a common child
 - Convert every directed edge in G in an undirected edge



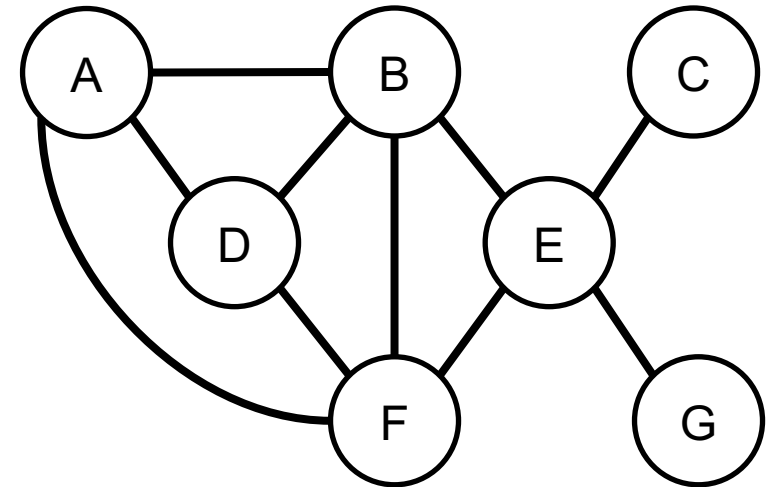
Treewidth

- Treewidth is a central notion to complexity analysis of inference algorithms
 - It is usually defined for undirected graphs
 - It can be extended to DAGs through their moral graphs
- The treewidth of a DAG G is defined as the treewidth of its moral graph
 - We will later define the treewidth for undirected graphs



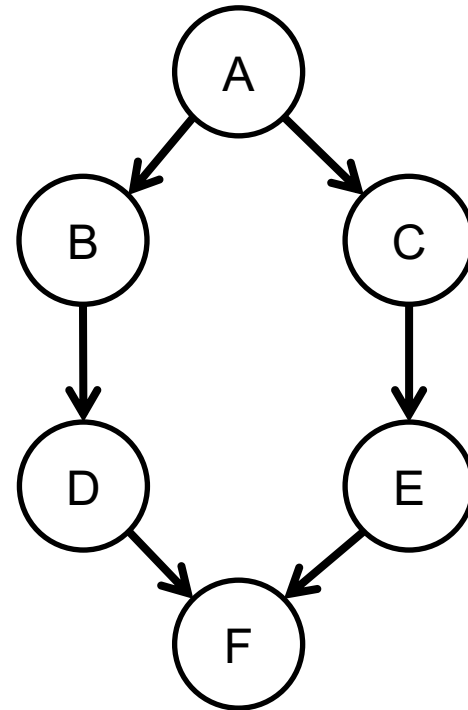
Other Graph-theoretic Definitions

- We adopt the following definitions for a graph G
 - A *neighbor* of a node X is a node Y connected to X by an edge in G . We also say X and Y are *adjacent*
 - The *degree* of a node X is the number of neighbors of X in G
 - A *clique* is a set of nodes in G that are pairwise adjacent, i.e., every pair of nodes in the clique are connected by an edge
 - A *maximal clique* is a clique that is not strictly contained in another clique
 - When we say “graph G ” in this lecture, we mean undirected graph. Otherwise, we say “DAG G ”

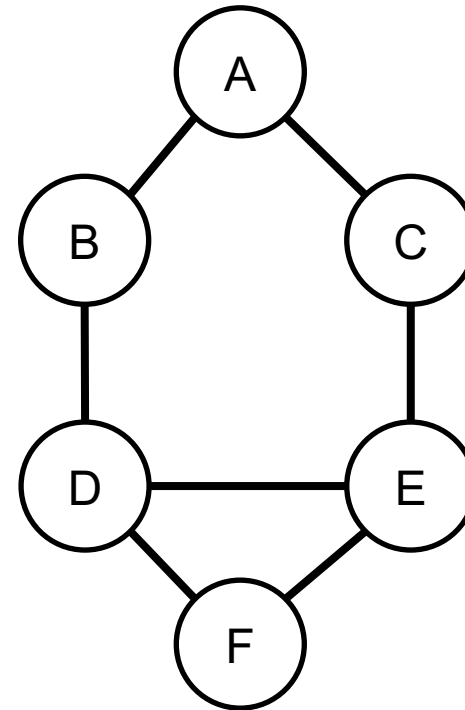


Elimination Order

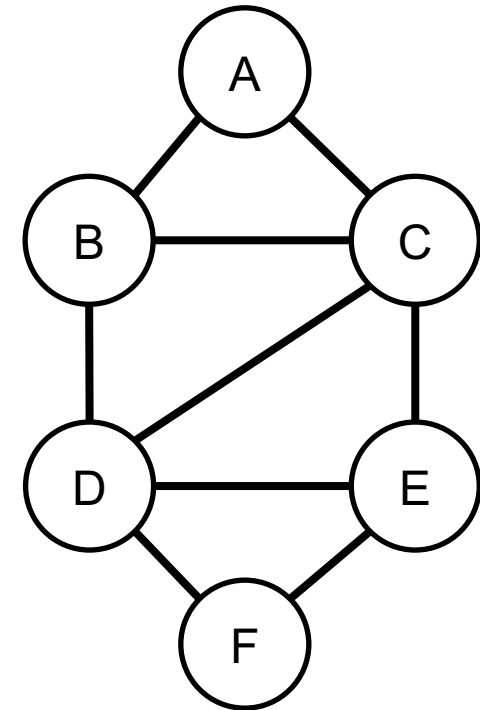
- An elimination order for a graph G is a total ordering π of nodes of G , where $\pi(i)$ is the i th node in the ordering
- The result of eliminating node X from graph G is another graph obtained from G by
 - Adding an edge between every pair of nonadjacent neighbors of X
 - Deleting node X
 - The edges added during the elimination process are called *fill-in edges*



A DAG G



The moral graph
 G_m

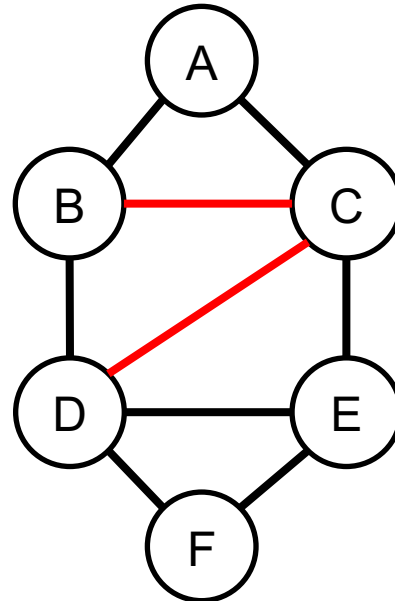
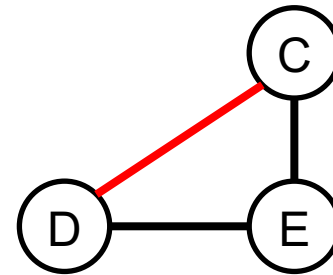
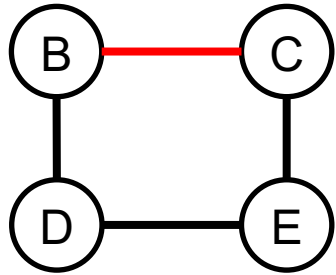
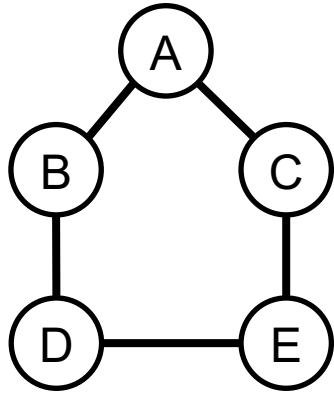
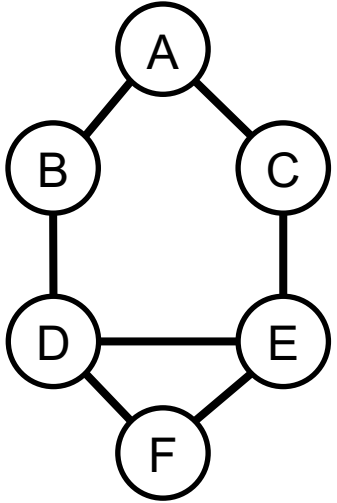


The filled-in graph
 G_m^π

$\pi = F, A, B, C, D, E$
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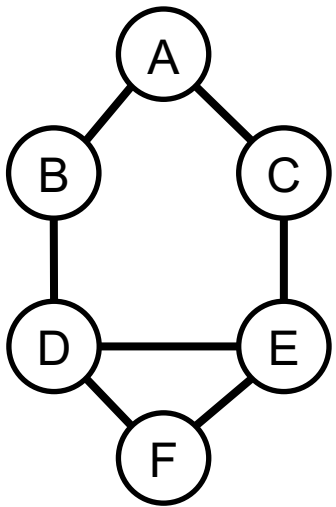
Node Elimination

$$\pi = F, A, B, C, D, E$$

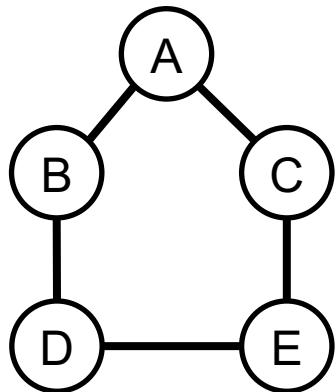


Graph and Cluster Sequence

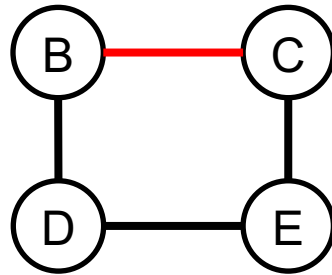
- The elimination of nodes from graph G according to order π induces:
 - A graph sequence G_1, \dots, G_n , where $G_1 = G$ a graph G_{i+1} is obtained by eliminating node $\pi(i)$ from graph G_i
 - A cluster sequence $\mathcal{C}_1, \dots, \mathcal{C}_n$, where \mathcal{C}_i consists of node $\pi(i)$ and its neighbors in graph G_i



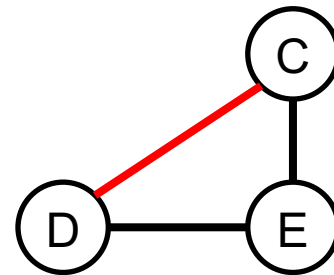
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$$\mathcal{C}_2 = ABC$$



$$\mathcal{C}_3 = BCD$$



$$\mathcal{C}_4 = CDE$$



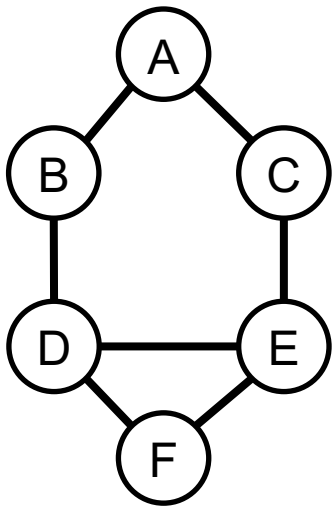
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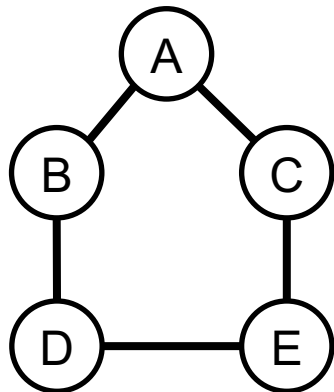
$$\mathcal{C}_6 = E$$

Elimination Width

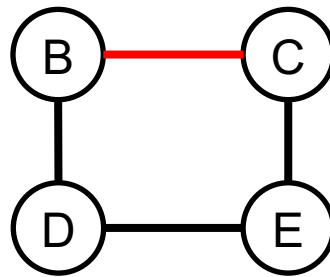
- Let π be an elimination order for a graph G , and $\mathcal{C}_1, \dots, \mathcal{C}_n$ the induced cluster sequence
 - The *width* of the elimination order π is $\text{width}(\pi, G) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \max_{i=1}^n |\mathcal{C}_i| - 1$
 - We extend this definition to DAGs: width of π for a DAG is the width of π for the DAG's moral graph



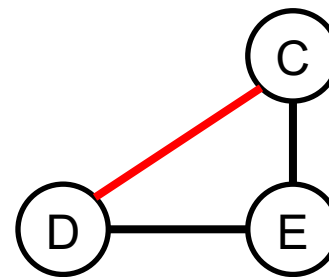
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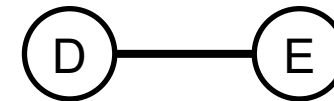
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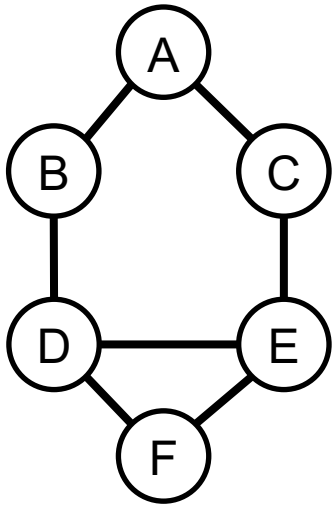


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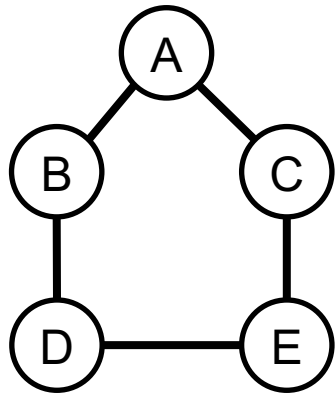
In this example
width = 2

Treewidth

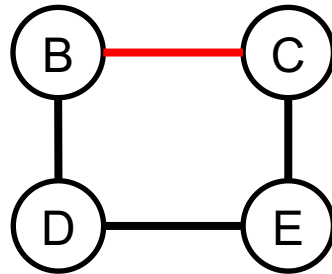
- The width of a graph G is $\text{treewidth}(G) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \min_{\pi} \text{width}(\pi, G)$
 - When the width of an elimination order π equals the treewidth, we say π is *optimal*
 - When an elimination order π does not lead to any fill-in edges, we say π is a *perfect elimination order*
 - Not every graph admits a perfect elimination order



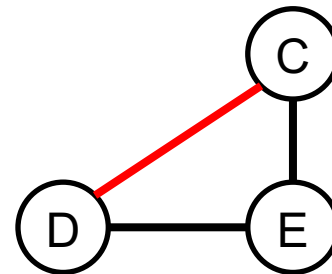
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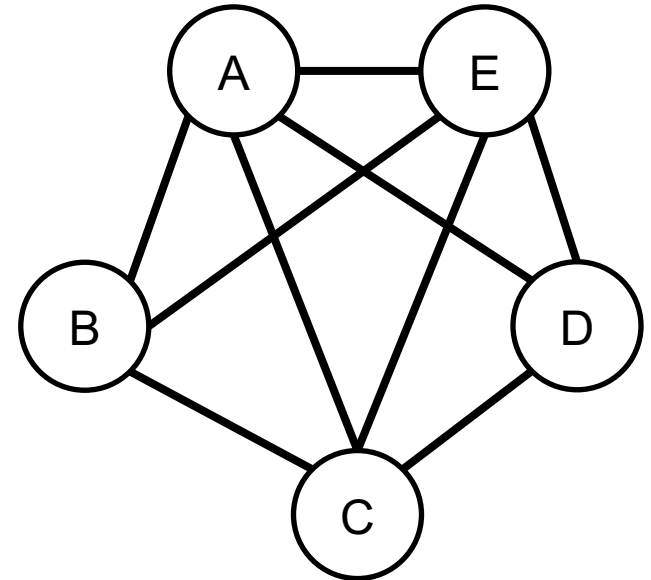


$C_6 = E$

This elimination order is optimal (why?), but not perfect

Elimination Heuristics

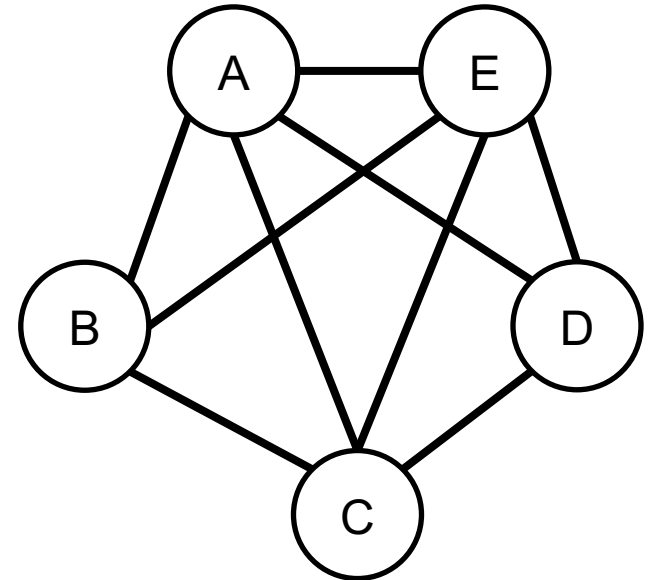
- The computation of an optimal elimination order is NP-hard
 - Several greedy elimination heuristics have been proposed
 - These are ways to eliminate nodes based on local considerations
- The two most common heuristics are
 - Min-degree: eliminate the node having the smallest number of neighbors
 - Min-fill: Eliminate the node that leads adding the smallest number of fill-in edges
- Min-fill typically produces better results
- Min-degree is known to be optimal for graphs with treewidth ≤ 2



Node *C* has degree 4,
and min-fill score of 1

Elimination Heuristics

- In practice, it is common to combine heuristics
 - Select nodes with min-fill and break ties with min-degree
 - Select nodes with min-degree and break ties using min-fill
- Stochastic techniques can be powerful to combine heuristics
 - Same elimination heuristic to eliminate every node but ties are broken stochastically
 - Different heuristics to eliminate different nodes, where the choice of a heuristic at each node is made stochastically



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Optimal Elimination Prefixes

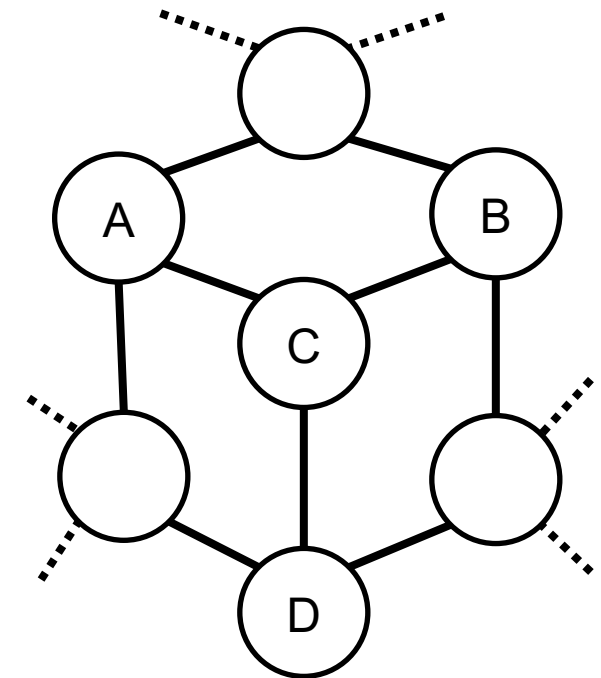
- A *prefix* of elimination order π is a sequence of variables τ that occurs in the beginning of π
 - For example if $\pi = A, B, C, D, E$ then two prefixes are $\tau = A, B, C$ and $\tau = A, B$
- If τ is a prefix of some optimal elimination order, then τ is an *optimal elimination prefix*
 - It can be completed to yield an optimal order
 - The notion of width can be extended to prefixes by considering the cluster sequence of applying the prefix to a graph
- We can generate optimal prefixes
 - There are preprocessing rules that eliminate a subset of variables
 - While guaranteeing they represent the prefix of some optimal elimination order
 - These rules are not complete, i.e., we cannot always use them to produce a complete elimination order
 - Yet, we can use these rules to eliminate as many nodes as possible before using a heuristic

Optimal Elimination Prefixes

- We apply the rules in any order
 - A lower bound (low) is maintained on the treewidth
 - Some rules update this bound
 - While others use it as a condition for applying the rule
- If a graph G' is the result of applying any of these rules to G and if low is updated accordingly
 - $Treewidth(G) = \max(treewidth(G'), low)$
 - Therefore, these rules reduce the computation of treewidth of G into the computation of treewidth of a smaller graph G'
 - Moreover, they are guaranteed to generate only optimal elimination prefixes
- A *simplicial node* is a node that all its neighbors are pairwise adjacent, forming a clique
 - An *almost simplicial* node is one that all but one neighbor form a clique

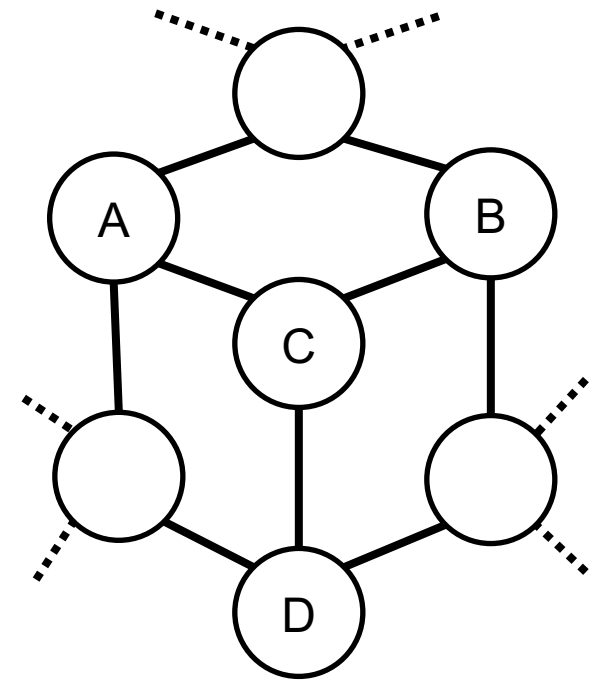
Optimal Elimination Rules

- There are four rules
 - **Simplicial rule:** Eliminate any simplicial node with degree d , updating low to $\max(low, d)$
 - **Almost simplicial rule:** Eliminate any almost simplicial node with degree d as long as $low \geq d$
 - **Buddy rule:** If $low \geq 3$, eliminate any pair of nodes X and Y that have degree 3 each and share the same set of neighbors
 - **Cube rule:** If $low \geq 3$, eliminate any set of four nodes A, B, C, D forming the structure in the figure
- These rules are complete for graphs of treewidth ≤ 3

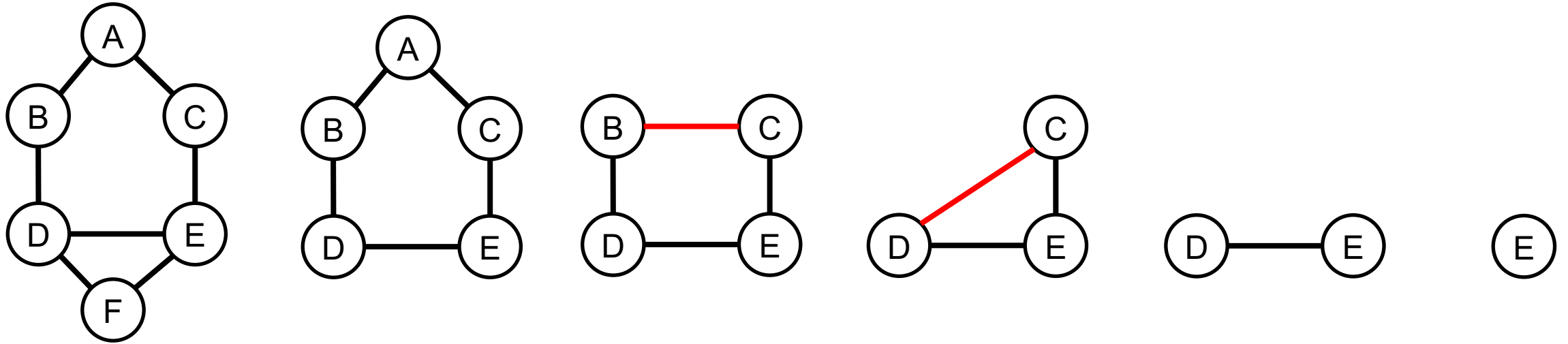


Optimal Elimination Rules

- Special cases for simplicial rule
 - **Isler rule:** Eliminate nodes with degree 0
 - **Twig rule:** Eliminate nodes with degree 1
- Special cases for almost simplicial rule
 - **Series rule:** eliminate nodes with degree 2 if $low \geq 2$
 - **Triangle rule:** eliminate nodes with degree 3 if $low \geq 3$ and if at least two of the neighbors are connected by an edge



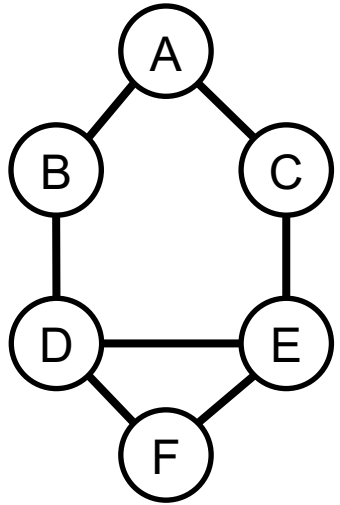
Optimal Elimination Prefixes: Example



$\tau =$

$low = 1$

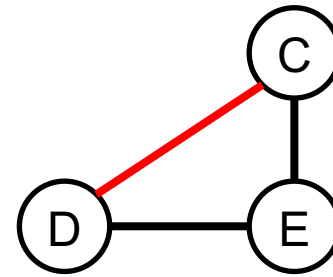
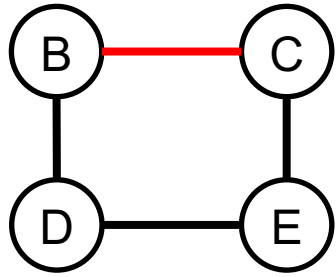
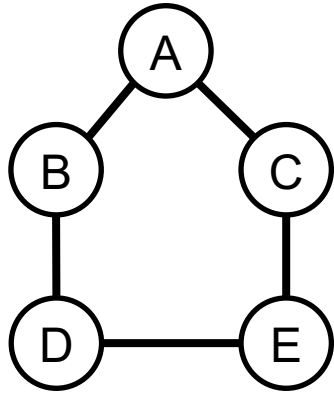
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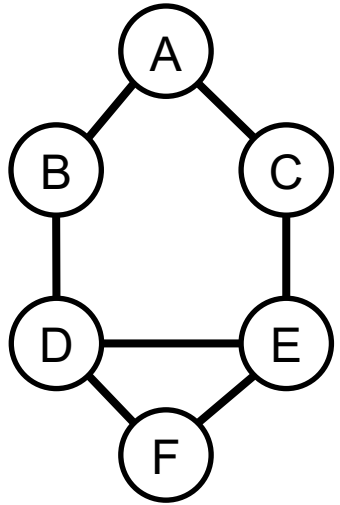
Simplicial rule

$$\tau = F$$

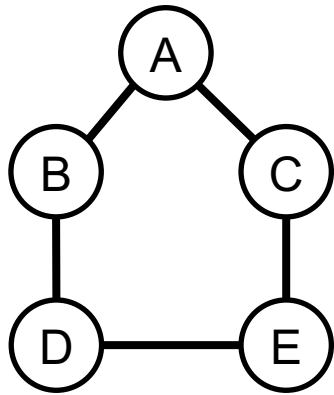
$$low = 2$$



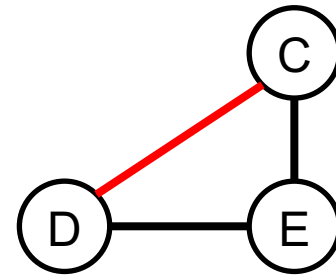
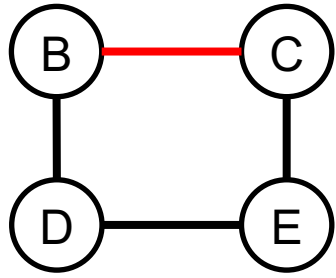
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Simplicial rule



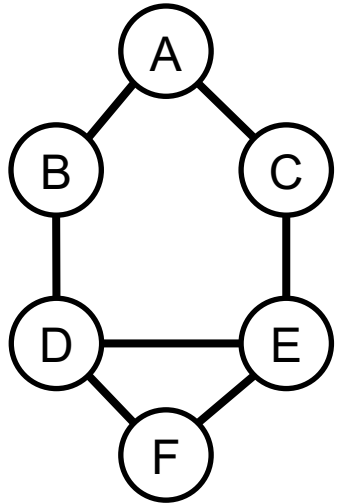
Series rule



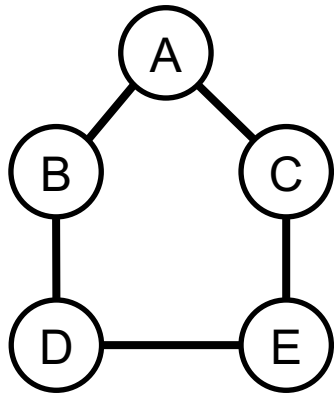
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$$low = 2$$

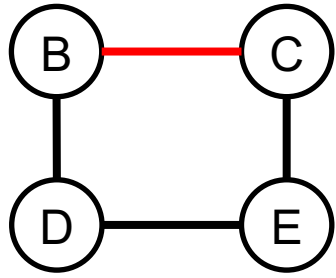
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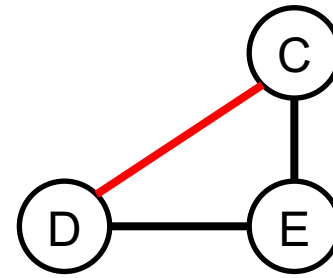
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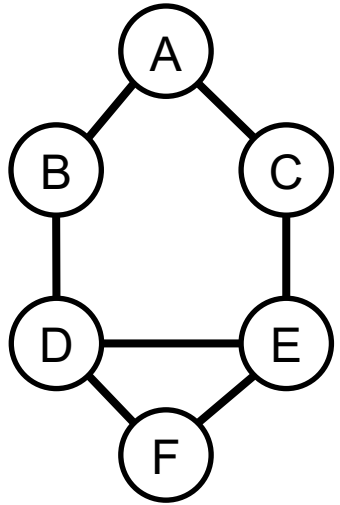
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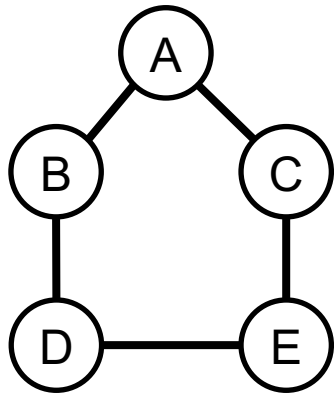
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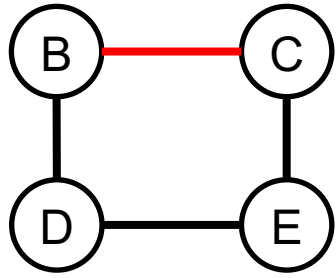
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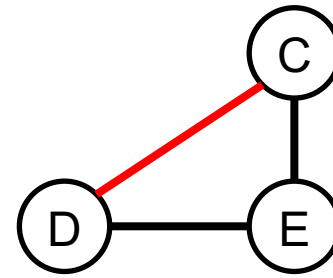
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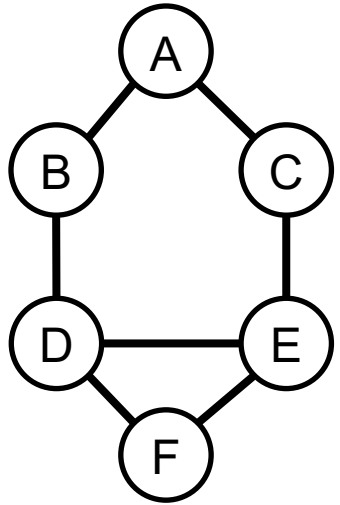
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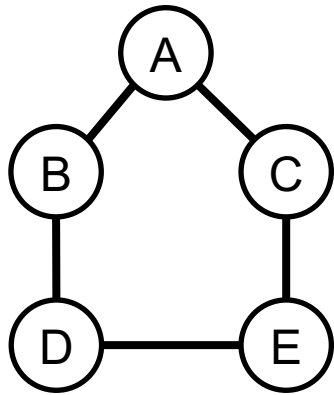
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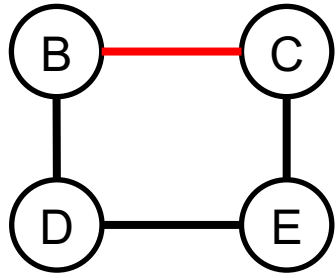
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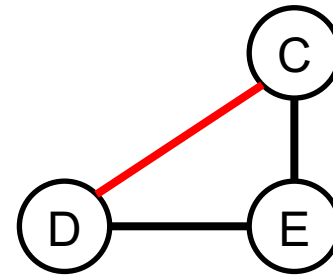
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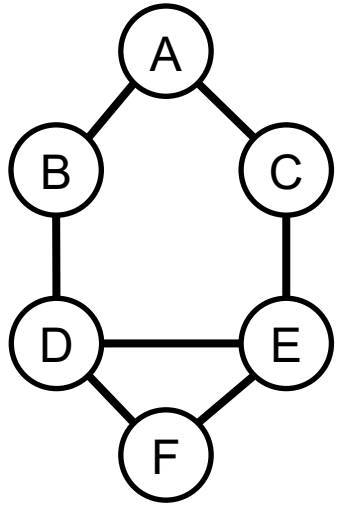
Twig rule



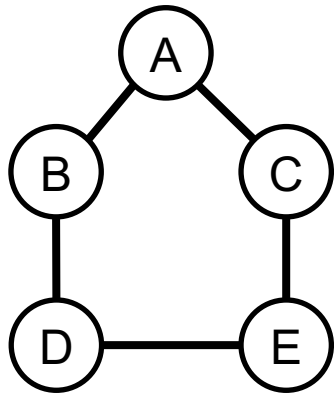
$$\tau = F, A, B, C, D$$

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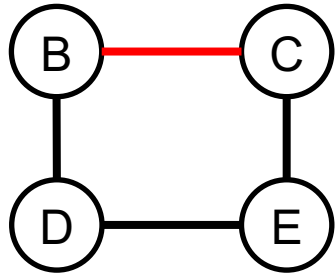
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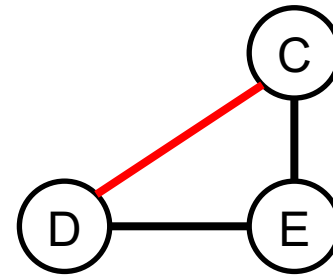
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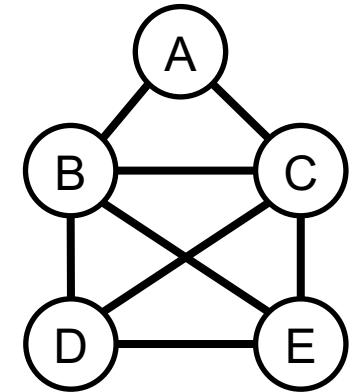
Isler rule

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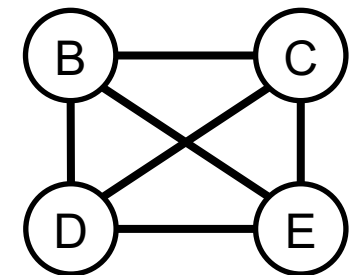
$low = 2$

Lower Bounds on Treewidth

- Lower bounds are used to empower the pre-processing rules
 - We can use then to set *low* to a larger initial value
 - This may allow us to apply more pre-processing elimination rules
- Two well-know, but typically weak lower bounds are
 - If a graph G has a clique of size n , then $treewidth(G) \geq n - 1$
 - The *degree of a graph* is a lower bound for treewidth. The degree of a graph is the minimum number of neighbours attained by any of its nodes
- The *degeneracy* of a graph is the maximum degree attained by any of its subgraphs
 - It is a better bound. It is based on two observations
 - First, the treewidth of any subgraph cannot be larger than the treewidth of the graph containing it
 - Second, the degree of a subgraph may be higher than the degree of the graph containing it



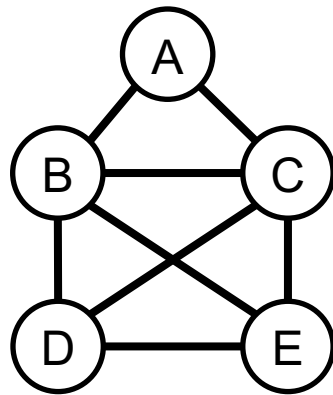
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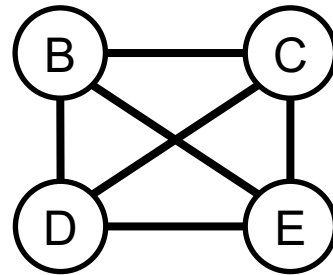
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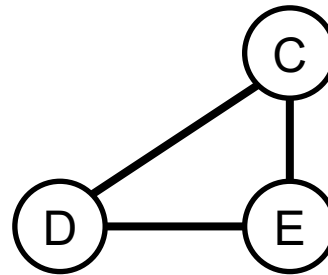
- The degeneracy is also known as maximum minimum degree (MMD)
 - MMD is easily computed by generating a sequence of subgraphs
 - Start with the original graph and remove a minimum-degree node
 - The MMD is the maximum degree attained by any of the generated subgraphs



Degree = 2



Degree = 3



Degree = 2



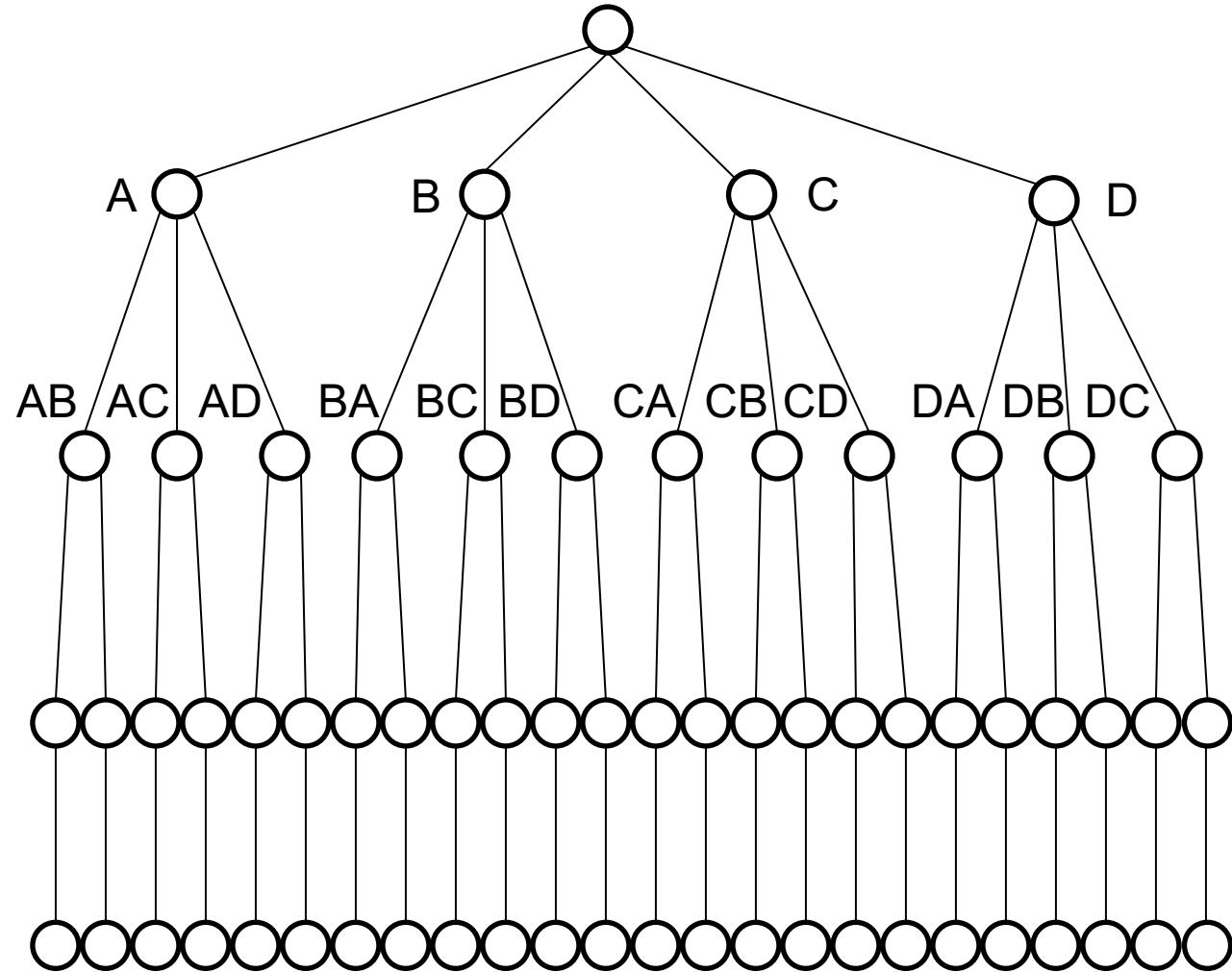
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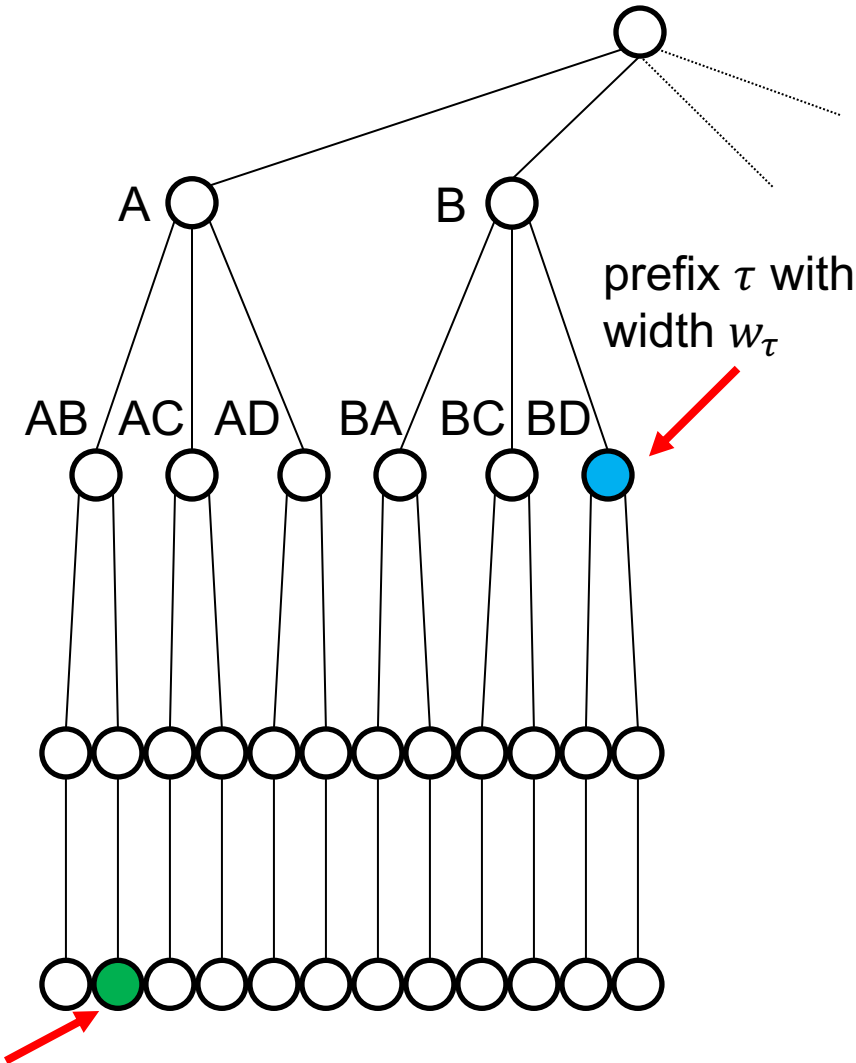
Optimal Elimination Order

- We can use search methods to find an optimal elimination order
 - For instance, depth-first search to generate all possible elimination orders
 - The search space has size $O(n!)$, where n is the number of variables
 - Therefore, such methods are limited to small number of variables
 - However, we can explore optimal elimination prefixes and lower bound to prune the search space



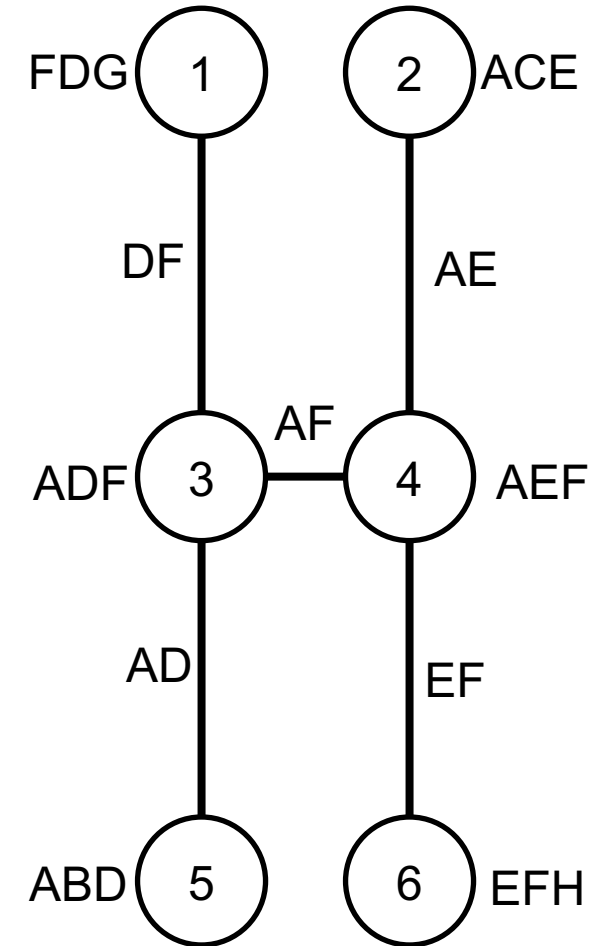
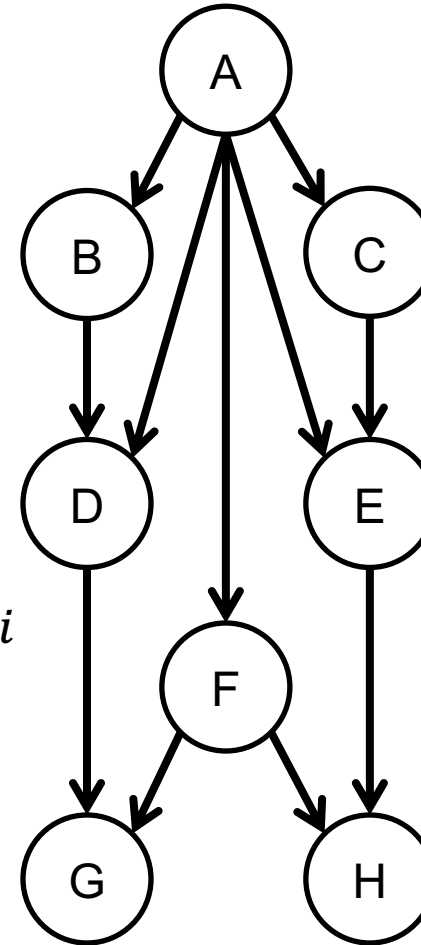
Optimal Elimination Order: Pruning

- Pruning is essential to improve the efficiency of these search methods
 - If you have a query, use the query pruning techniques of the lecture 7
 - Use optimal prefix rules to further reduce the graph size and provide an elimination prefix and lower bound
- In a depth-first search, each time we reach a leaf node in the search tree, we obtain an elimination order
- Suppose we have an elimination order π with width w_π
 - We are currently exploring a prefix τ with width w_τ
 - We also have a lower bound b on graph G_τ
 - If $\max(w_\tau, b) \geq w_\pi$, then we cannot improve on order π



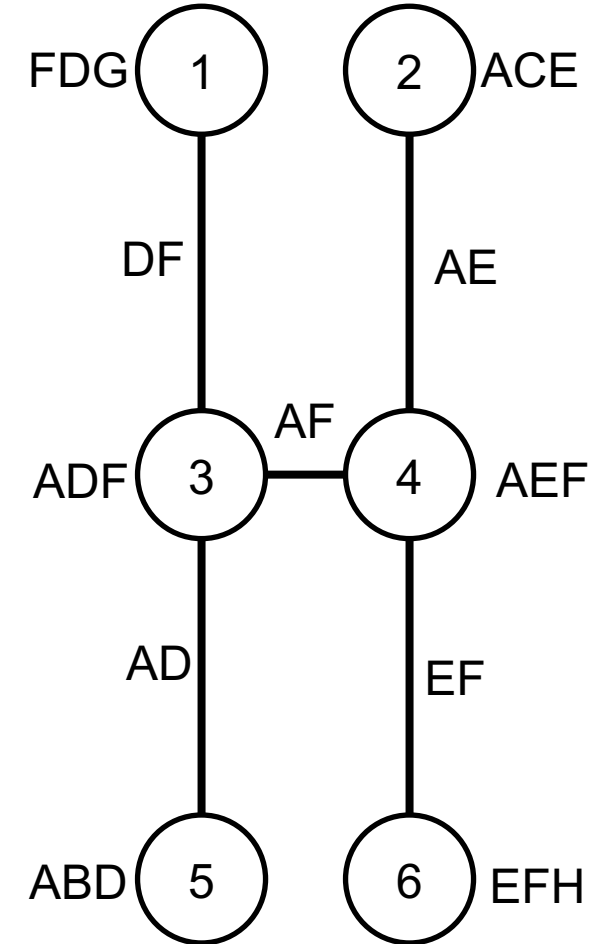
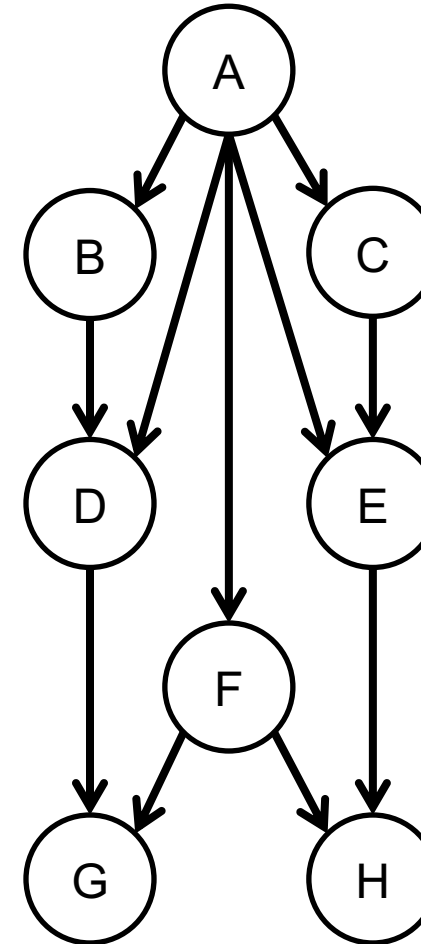
Jointree: Recap

- A *jointree* for a network G is a pair (T, \mathcal{C}) where T is a tree and \mathcal{C} is a function that maps each node i in the tree T into a label \mathcal{C}_i , called *cluster*. The jointree must satisfy the following properties
 - The cluster \mathcal{C}_i is a set of nodes from G
 - Each factor in G must appear in some cluster \mathcal{C}_i
 - If a variable appears in two clusters \mathcal{C}_i and \mathcal{C}_j , it must appear in every cluster \mathcal{C}_k on the path connecting nodes i and j in the jointree. This is known as *jointree* or *running intersection* property



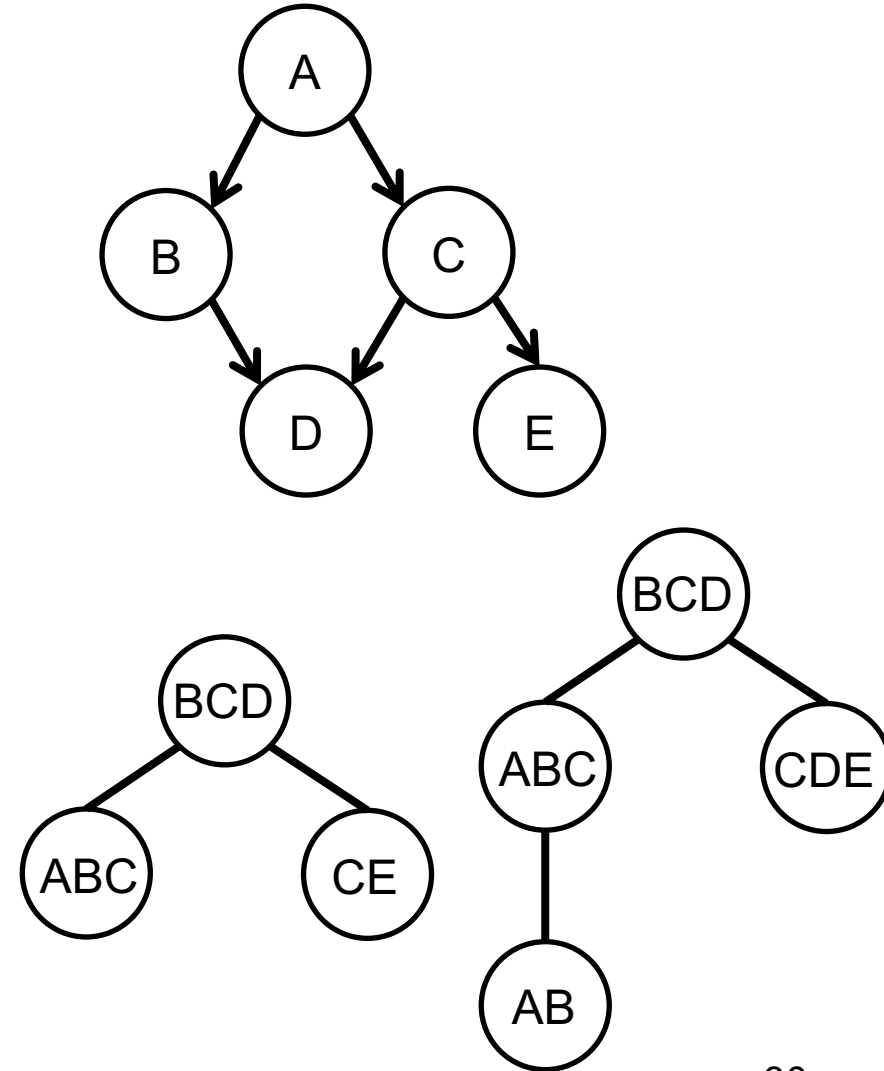
Jointree: Recap

- The *separator* of edge $i - j$ in a jointree is a set of variables defined as follows
$$S_{ij} = vars(i, j) \cap vars(j, i)$$
- The *width* of a jointree is defined as the size of its largest cluster minus one
- A jointree is also called a *junction tree* or a *cluster tree*



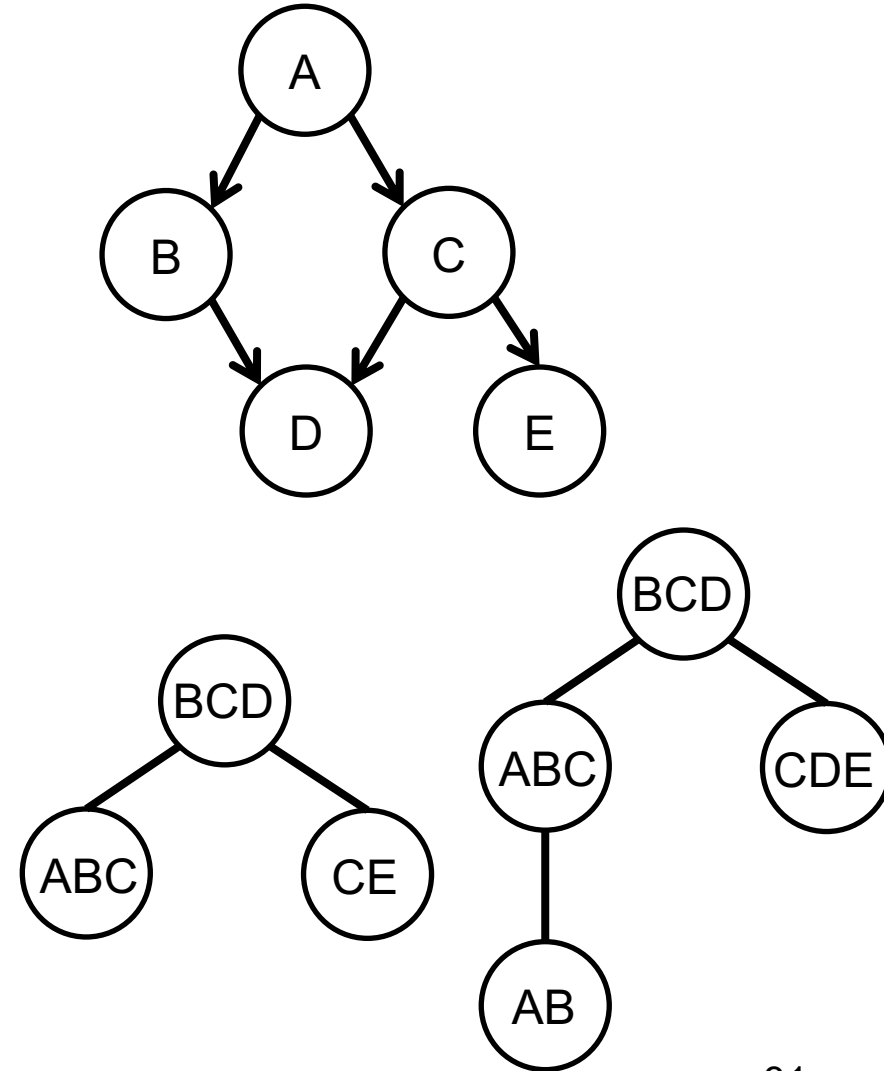
Jointree Operations

- The following transformations preserve all three properties of a jointree
 - **Add variable:** We can add a variable X to a cluster C_i if C_i has a neighbour C_j that contains X
 - **Merge clusters:** We can merge two neighbouring clusters C_i and C_j into a single cluster $C_k = C_i \cup C_j$, where C_k inherits the neighbours of C_i and C_j
 - **Add cluster:** We can add a new cluster C_j and make it a neighbour of an existing cluster C_i if $C_j \subseteq C_i$
 - **Remove cluster:** We can remove cluster C_j if it has a single neighbour C_i and $C_j \subseteq C_i$



Jointree Operations

- These transformations have practical applications
 - The addition of variable D allows the jointree to compute marginal over variables CDE
 - This marginal will not be computed if the algorithm is applied to the left jointree
 - Merging two clusters eliminates the separator connecting them
 - As the Shenoy-Shafer algorithm creates factors over each separator, this transformation can be used to reduce space requirements
 - This will also typically increase the running time, as merging clusters can lead to larger clusters and the algorithm is exponential to cluster size
 - This transformation can be the basis for time-space trade-offs



Jointree to Elimination Orders

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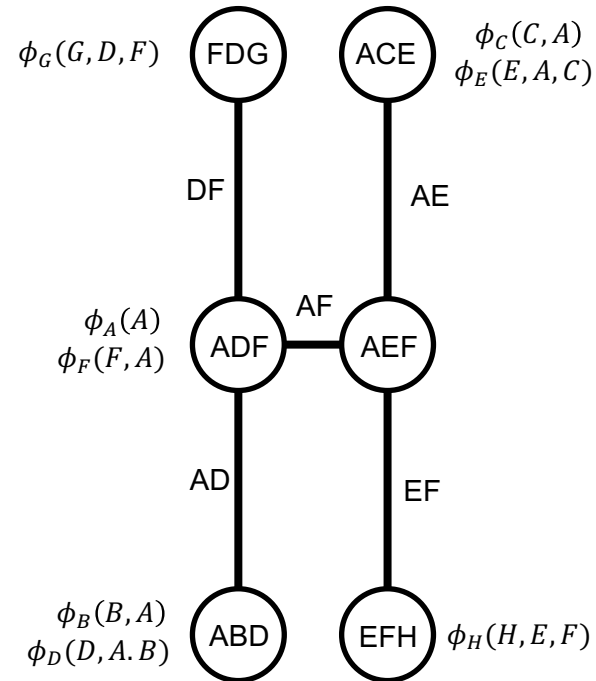
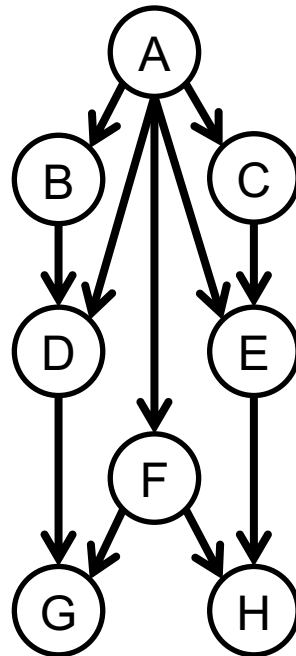
while not empty(T) do

 remove node i from T that has a single neighbour j

 append variables $\mathcal{C}_i \setminus \mathcal{C}_i \cap \mathcal{C}_j$ to π

append variables \mathcal{C}_r to π , where r is the remaining node in T

return π



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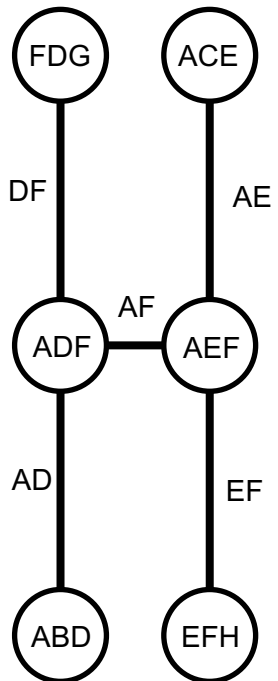
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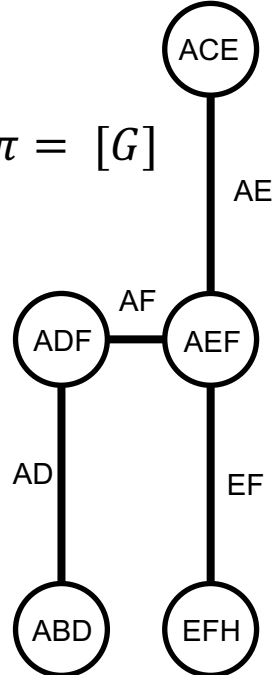
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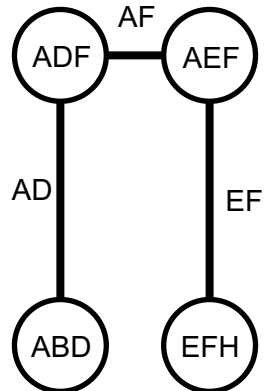
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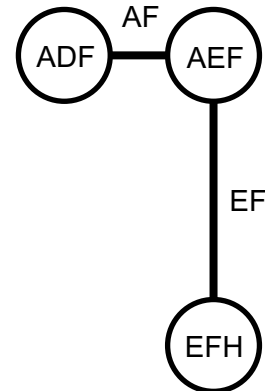
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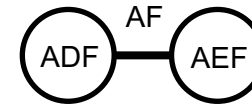
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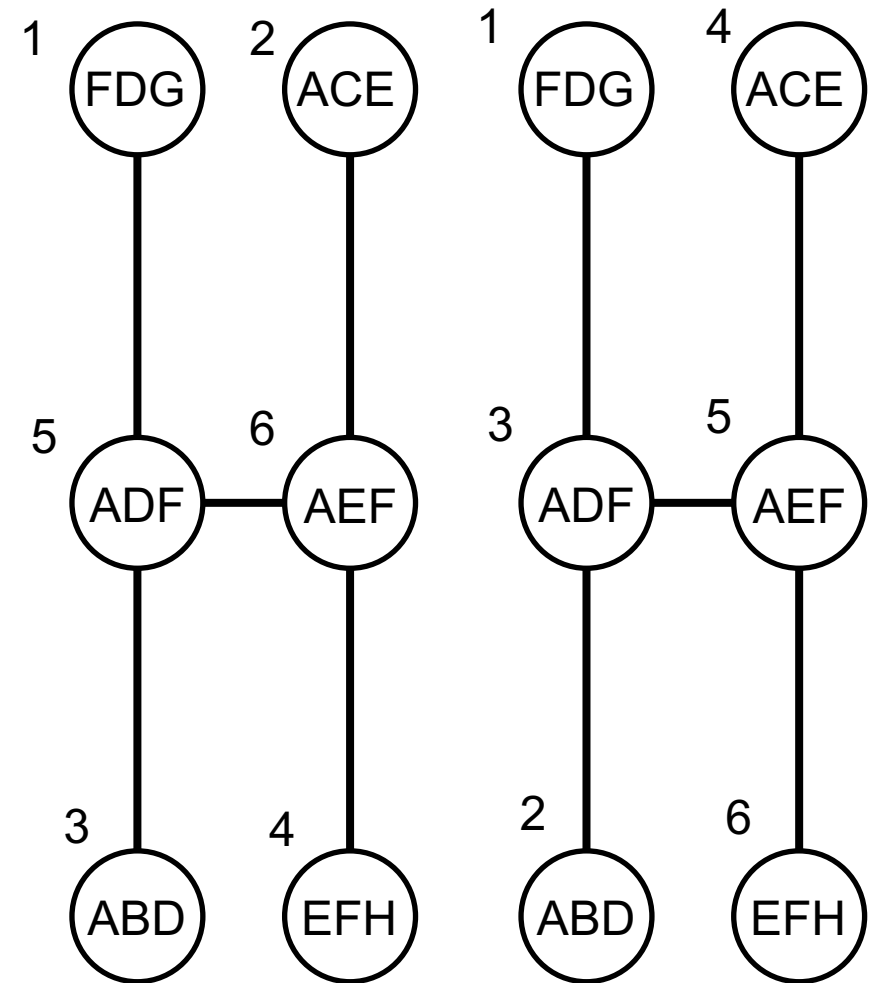
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$\pi = [G, C, B, H, D, \{A \ E \ F\}]$

Jointree to Elimination Orders

- This algorithm simulates the process of factor elimination
 - It runs in polynomial time
 - It provides an elimination order of no greater width than the jointree width
- The algorithm leaves a few choices undetermined
 - Choosing the node i to remove next from the jointree
 - Choosing the order in which variables $\mathcal{C}_i \setminus \mathcal{C}_i \cap \mathcal{C}_j$ are appended to π
- None of these choices matter to the guarantees provided by the algorithm

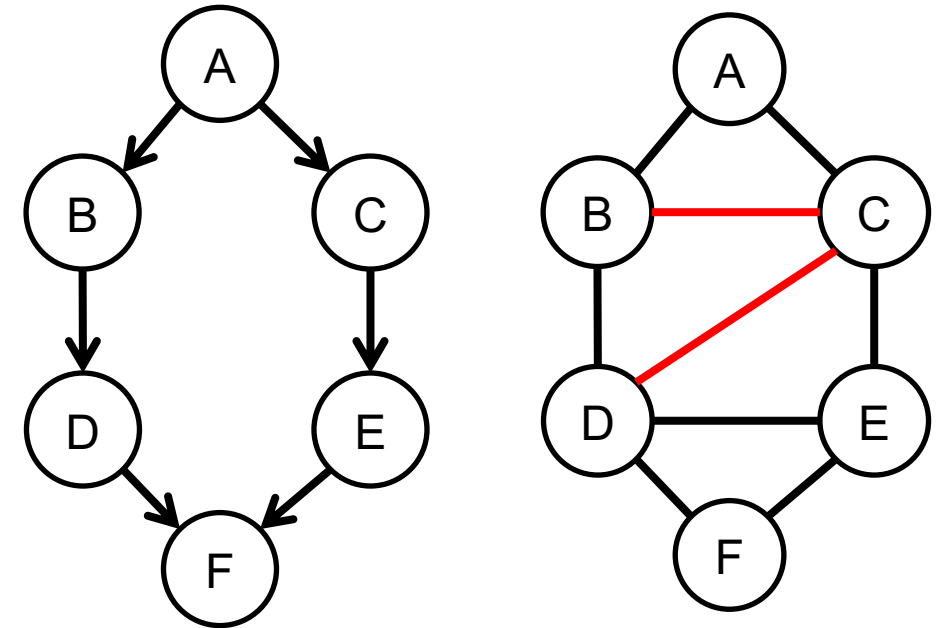


Elimination Orders to Jointrees

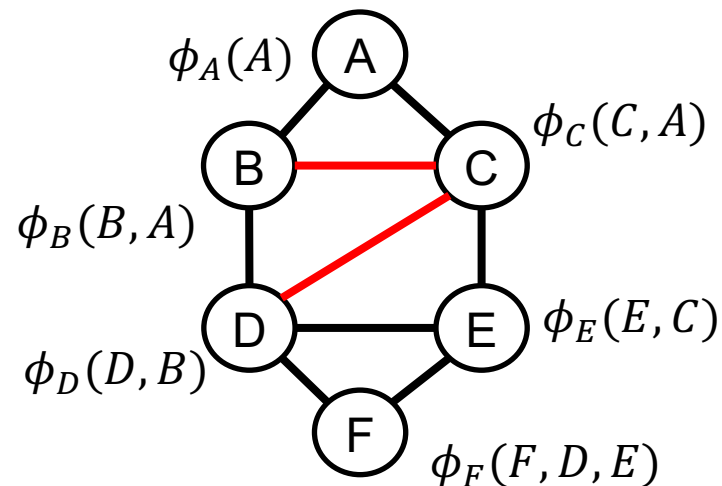
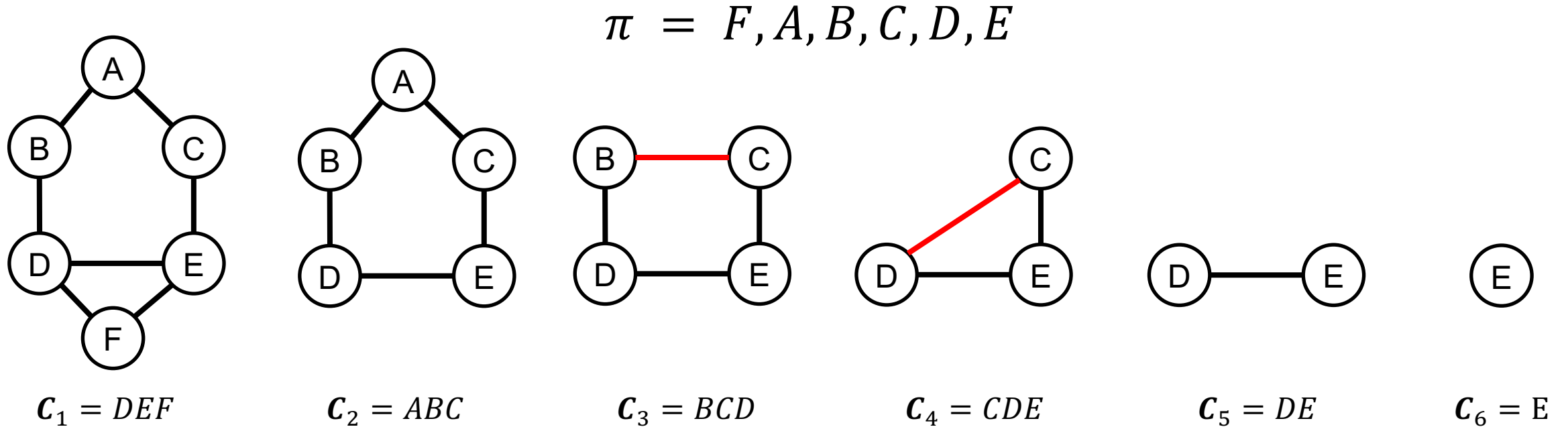
- We present a polynomial time, width-preserving algorithm for generating a jointree from an elimination order
- The algorithm consists of two parts
 - Constructing the clusters
 - Assembling the jointree

Elimination Orders to Jointrees: Clusters

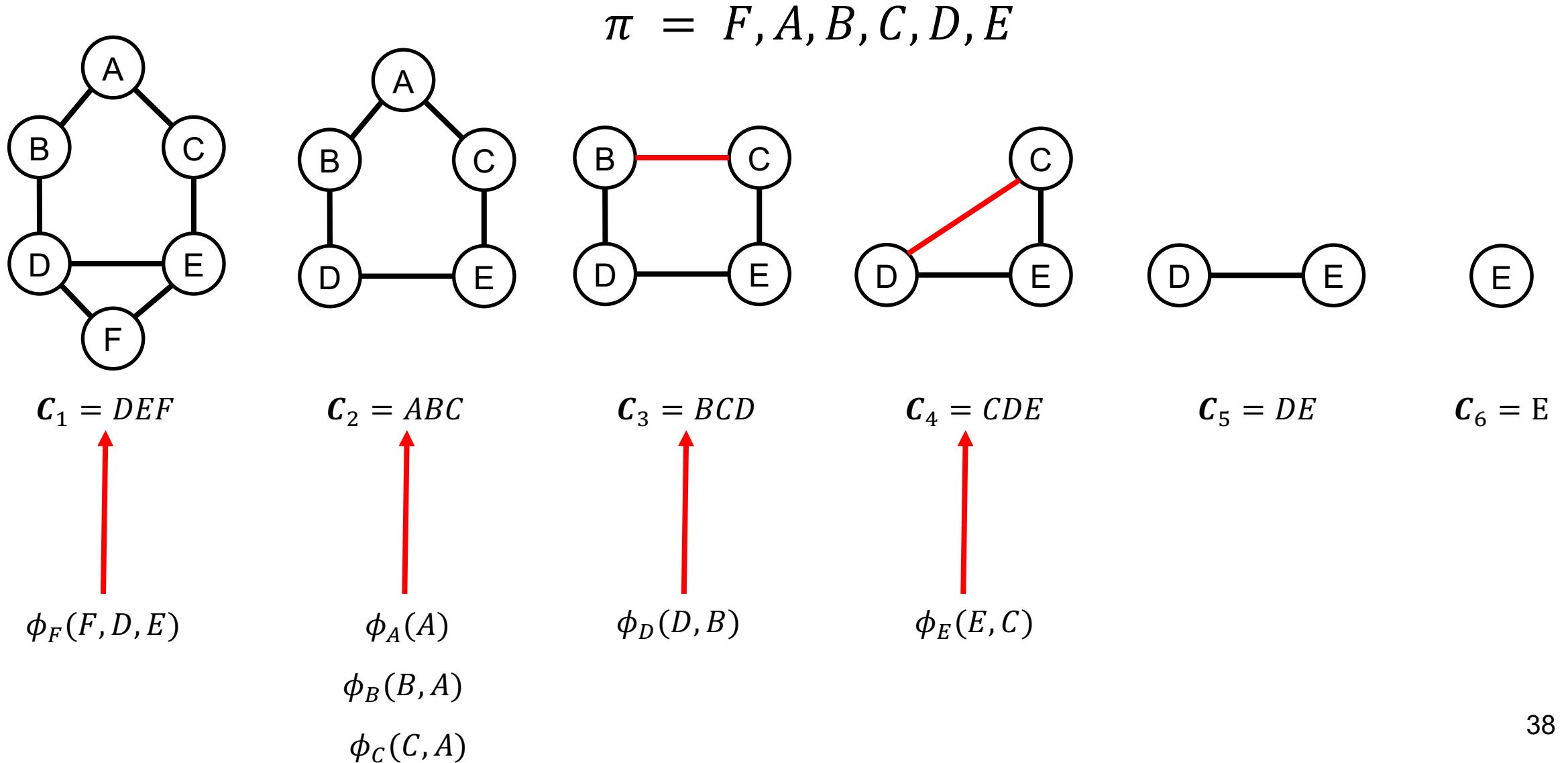
- We show how to generate clusters with the following properties
 - The size of every cluster is $\leq \text{width}(\pi, G) + 1$
 - The clusters satisfy conditions 1 and 2 of the jointree definition
- Let $\mathcal{C}_i, \dots, \mathcal{C}_n$ be the cluster sequence that results from applying the elimination order π to the undirected graph (or moral graph of a DAG) G . Every family of G is contained in some cluster in the sequence
 - $\mathcal{C}_i, \dots, \mathcal{C}_n$ satisfy the first two conditions of the jointree
 - The size of each cluster is $\leq \text{width}(\pi, G) + 1$



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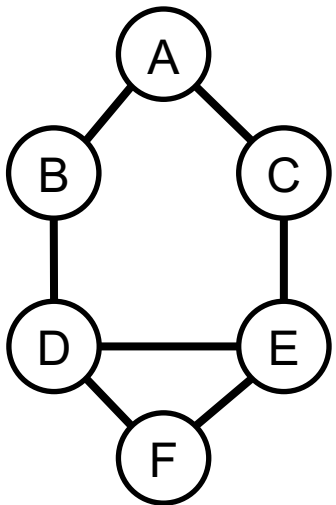


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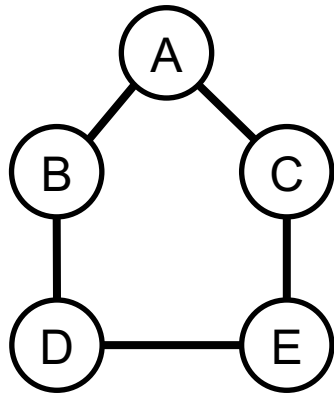


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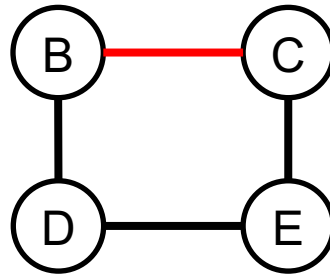
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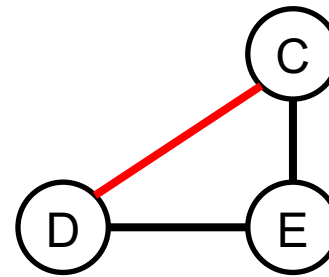
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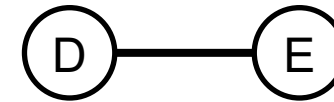
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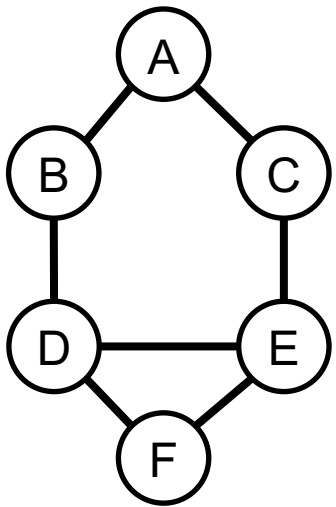


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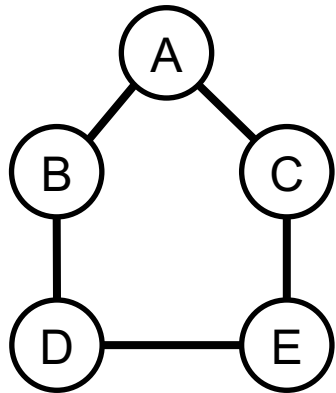
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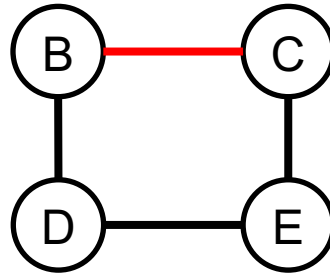
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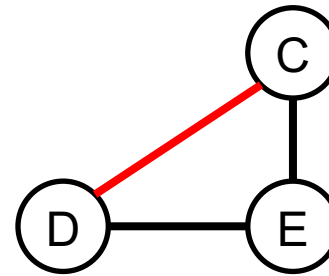
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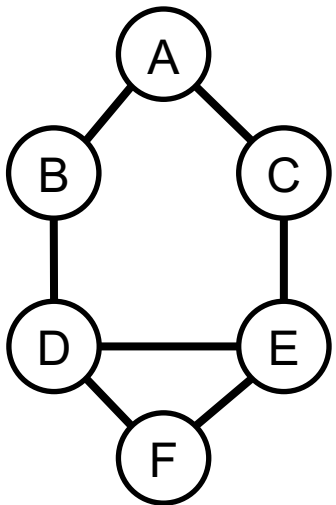
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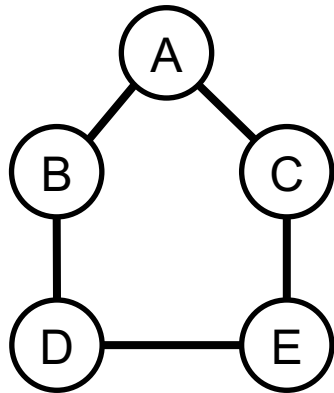


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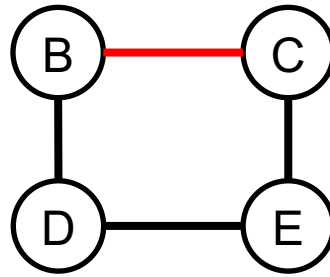
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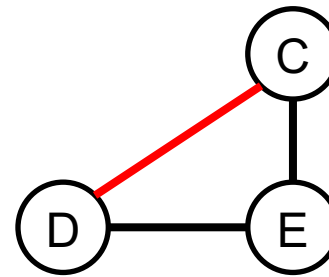
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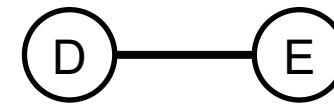
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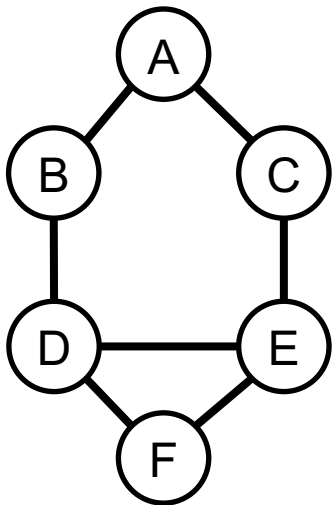
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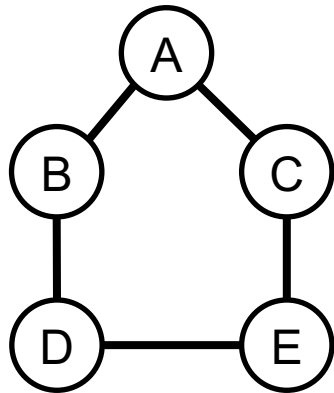


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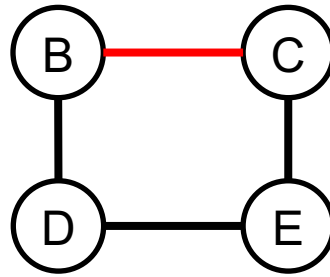
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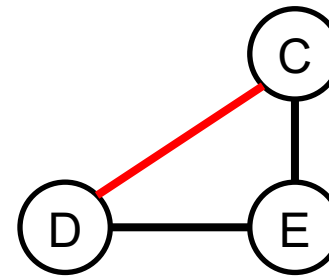
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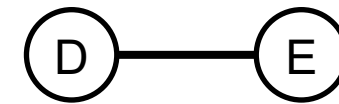
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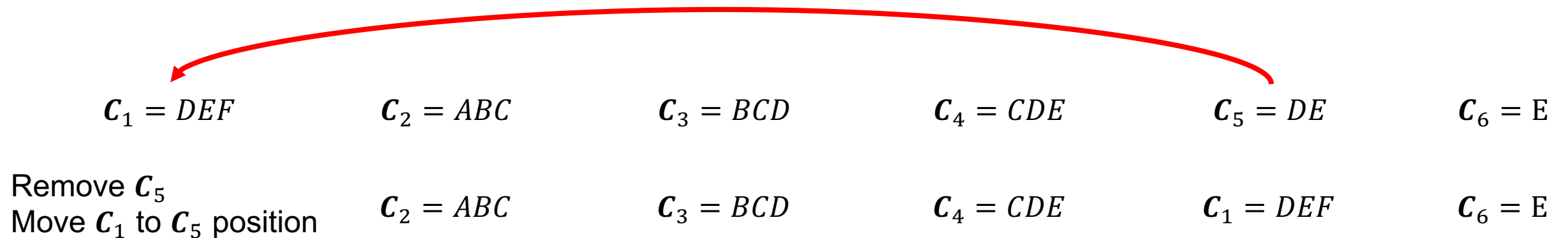
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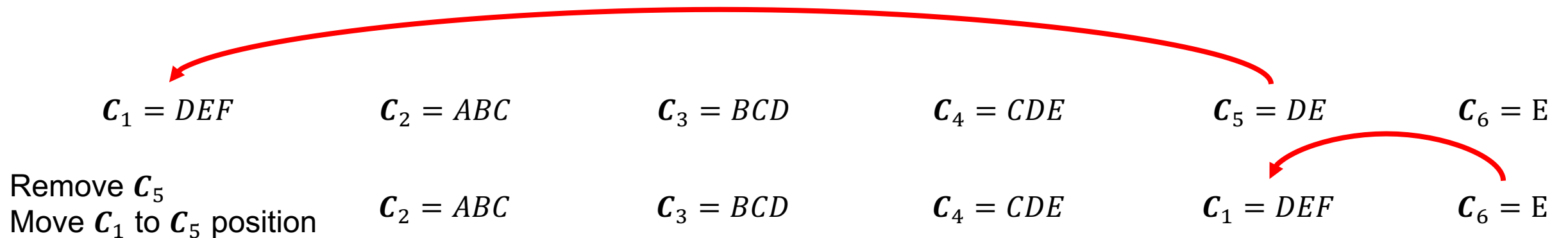
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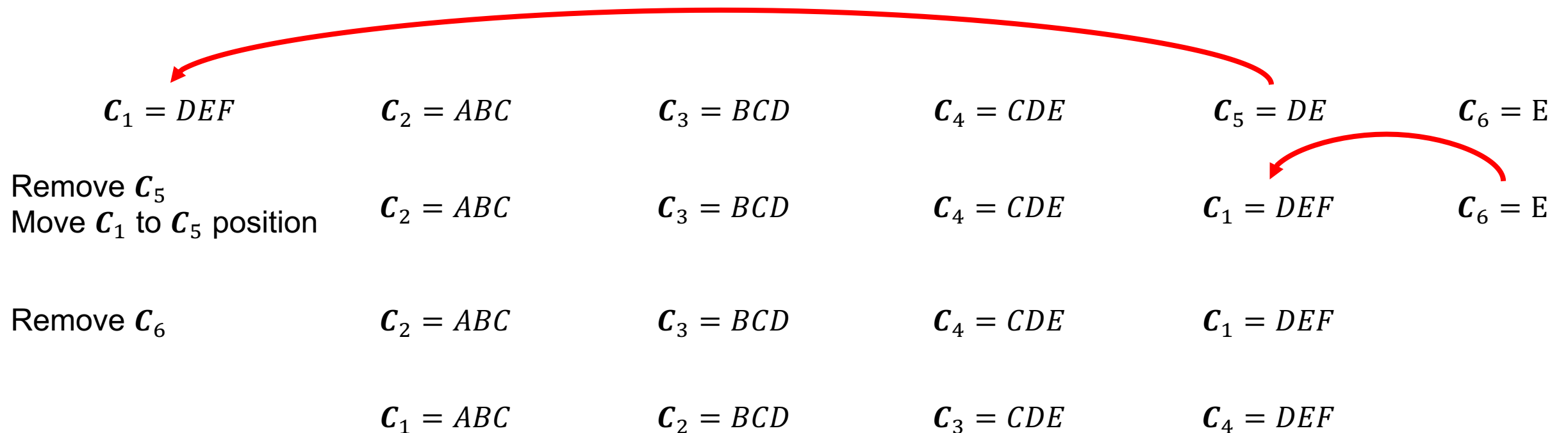
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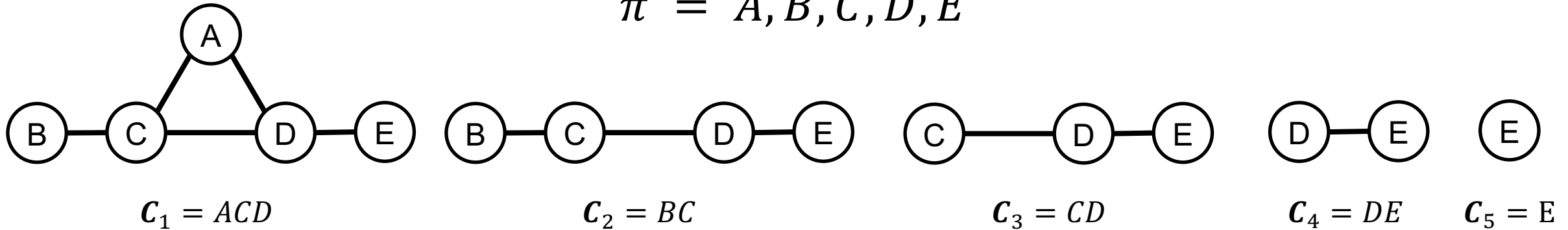
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Nonmaximal Clusters: Another Example

$$\pi = A, B, C, D, E$$



$$C_1 = ACD$$

$$C_2 = BC$$

$$C_3 = CD$$

$$C_4 = DE$$

$$C_5 = E$$

Remove C_3
Move C_1 to C_3 position

$$C_2 = BC$$

$$C_1 = ACD$$

$$C_4 = DE$$

$$C_5 = E$$

Remove C_5

$$C_2 = BC$$

$$C_1 = ACD$$

$$C_4 = DE$$

Elimination Orders to Jointrees: Assembly (1)

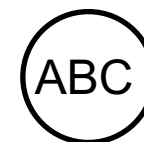
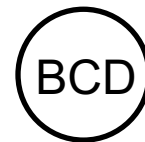
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return  $T$ 
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$$C_1 = ABC$$

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$$\mathcal{C}_4 = DEF$$

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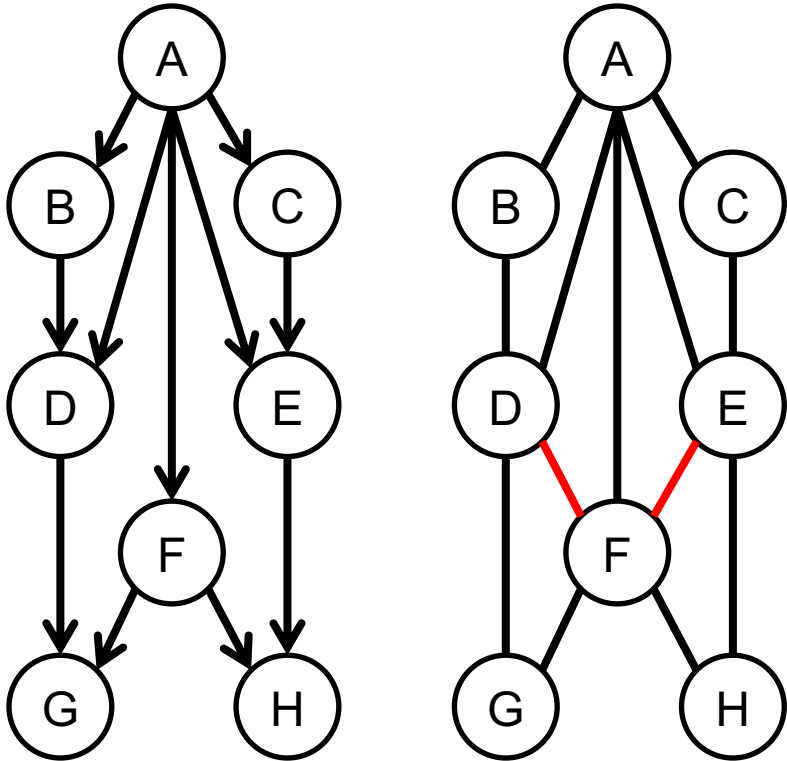
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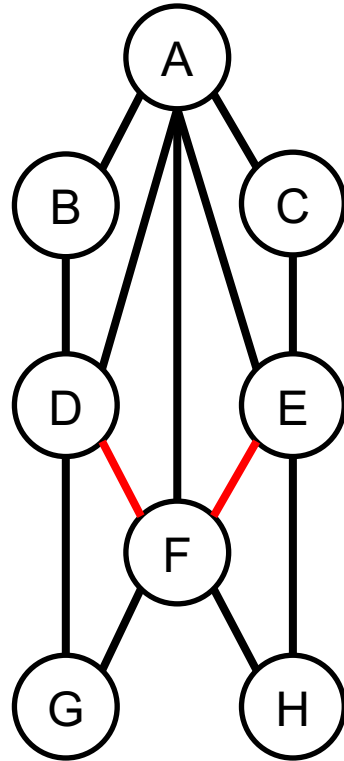
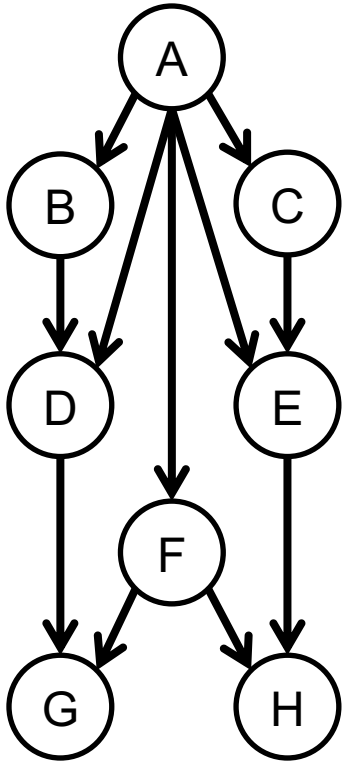
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Elimination Orders to Jointrees: Example



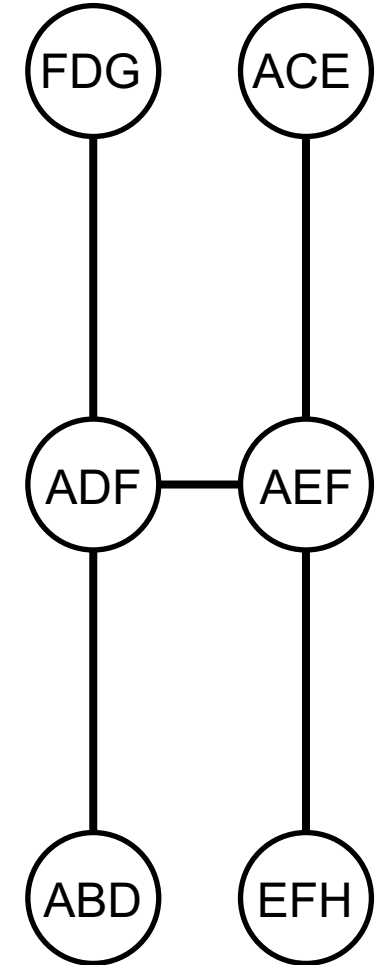
Elimination Orders to Jointrees: Example



$\pi = G, H, B, C, D, E, F, A$

$\mathcal{C} = \{DFG, EFH, ABD, ACE, ADF, AEF, AF, A\}$

$\mathcal{C}' = \{DFG, EFH, ABD, ACE, ADF, AEF\}$



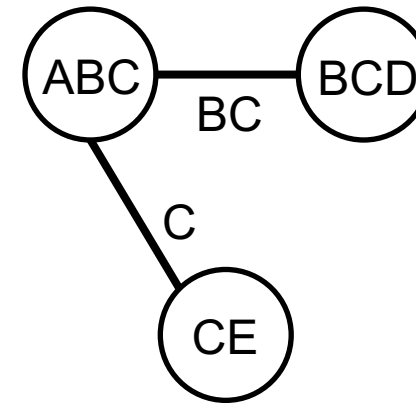
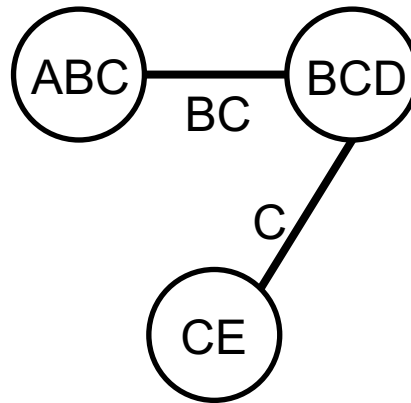
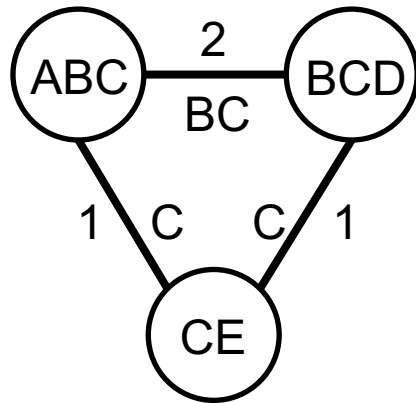
Elimination Orders to Jointrees: Assembly (2)

$\mathcal{C}_1, \dots, \mathcal{C}_n \leftarrow$ maximal cluster sequence induced by elimination order π

$G_c \leftarrow$ cluster graph of $\mathcal{C}_1, \dots, \mathcal{C}_n$

$G_c^{MST} \leftarrow$ maximum spanning tree of G_c

return G_c^{MST}

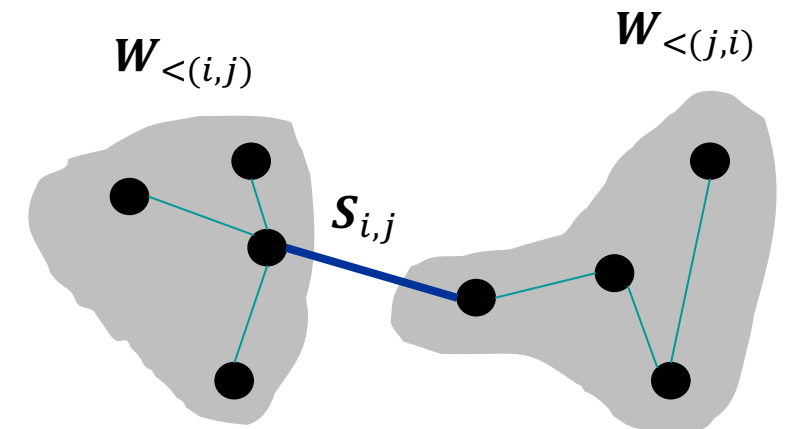


A *cluster graph* is a complete weighted undirected graph with cost $|\mathcal{C}_i \cap \mathcal{C}_j|$ assigned to each edge $\mathcal{C}_i - \mathcal{C}_j$

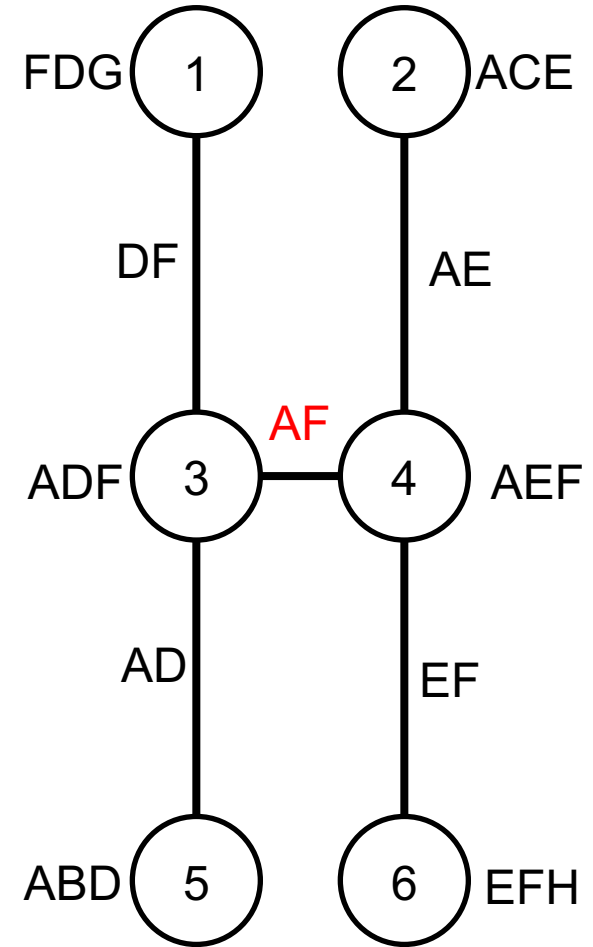
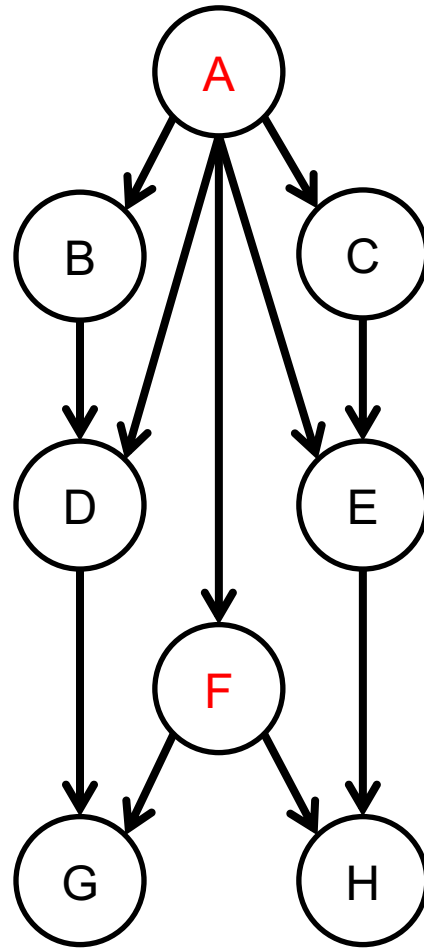
Jointrees and Independence

- For an edge (i, j) be the set of all variables that appear only on the \mathcal{C}_i side of the jointree T , let
 - $W_{<(i,j)}$ be the set of all variables that appear only on the \mathcal{C}_i side of T
 - $W_{<(j,i)}$ be the set of all variables that appear only on the \mathcal{C}_j side of T
 - Variables on both sides are in the separation $\mathcal{S}_{i,j}$
- Then

$$W_{<(i,j)} \perp W_{<(j,i)} | \mathcal{S}_{i,j}$$



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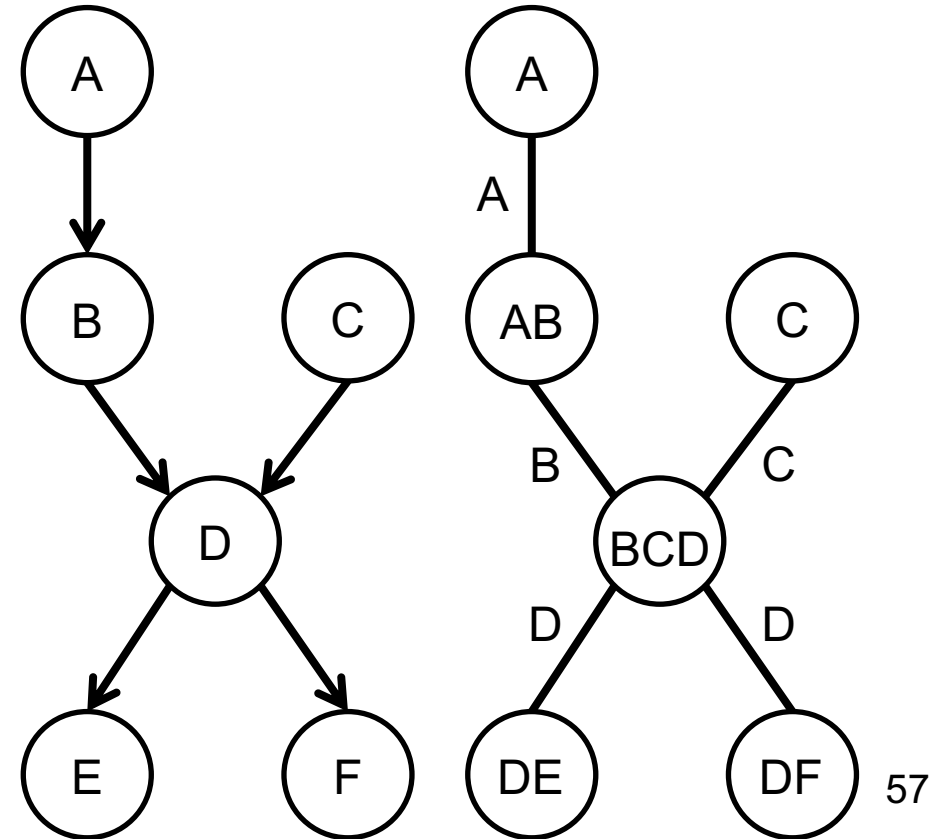


Jointrees as a Factorization Tool

- Given a probability distribution $P(X)$ induced by a graph and given a corresponding jointree
 - The distribution can be expressed in the following form

$$P(X) = \frac{\prod_{\text{jointree node } i} P(\mathcal{C}_i)}{\prod_{\text{jointree edge } i-j} P(\mathcal{C}_i \cap \mathcal{C}_j)}$$

$$P(A, B, C, D, E, F) = \frac{P(A)P(C)P(B, A)P(D, B, C)P(E, D)P(F, D)}{P(A)P(B)P(C)P(D)P(D)}$$



Conclusion

- In this lecture we formalized several concept related to VE and FE
- We defined polynomial time width-preserving algorithms to convert
 - Elimination orders to jointrees
 - Jointrees to elimination orders
- We also discussed approaches to find optimal prefixes and treewidth lower bound
 - These algorithms have practical implications since they can be used with heuristics and search methods
- Tasks
 - Read Chapter 9 from the textbook (Darwiche)