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DGM CONDITIONAL INDEPENDENCE

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- ★ X and Y are conditionally independent given Z iff

$$p(X, Y | Z) = p(X | Z)p(Y | Z)$$

- ★ Implies

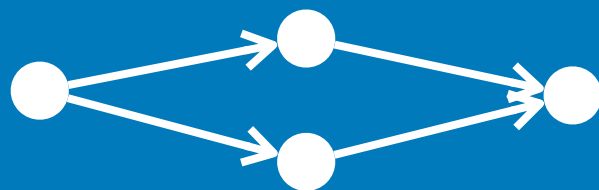
$$p(X | Y, Z) = p(X, Y | Z) / p(Y | Z) = p(X | Z)$$

- ★ Denoted

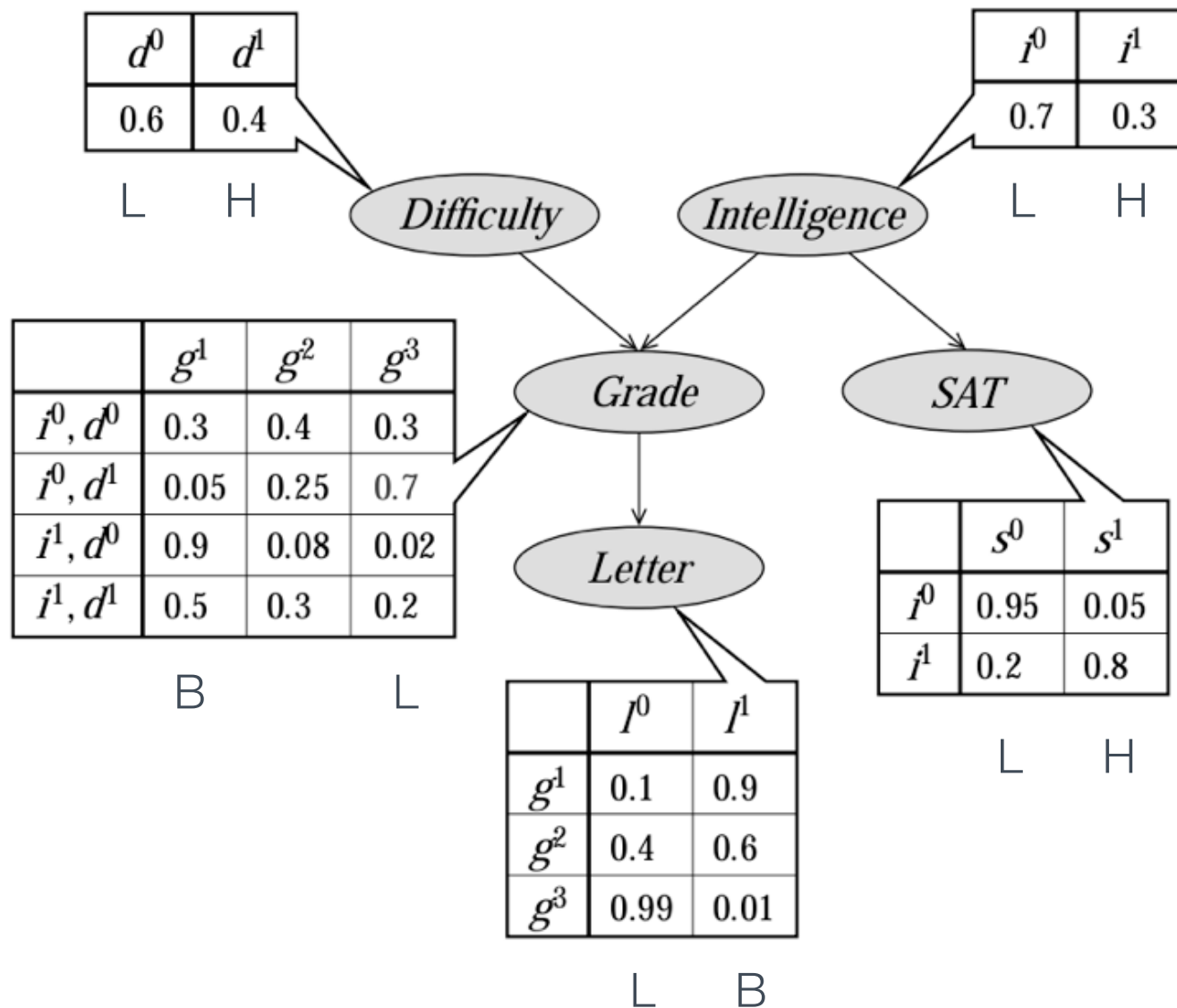
$$X \perp Y | Z$$

WHEN ARE X AND Y
CONDITIONALLY INDEPENDENT?

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \prod_{n=1}^N p(x_n | \mathbf{x}_{\text{pa}(x_n)})$$



STUDENT EXAMPLE



INDEPENDENCE I-MAP

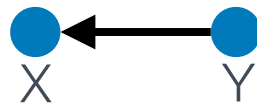
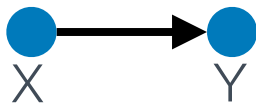
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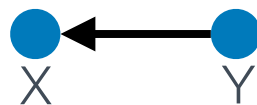
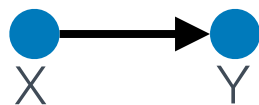
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- ★ p: X and Y ind. ex. $p(X=1) = 0.48 + 0.12 = 0.6$, $p(Y=1) = 0.8$, and $p(X=1, Y=1) = 0.48$
- ★ q: X and Y are dependent

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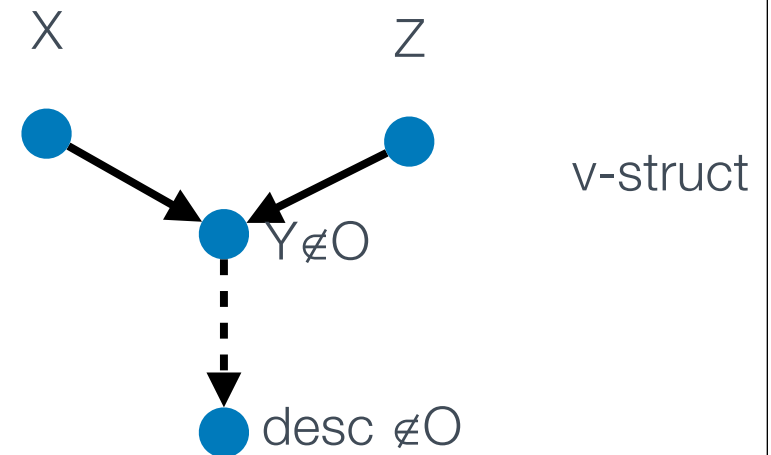
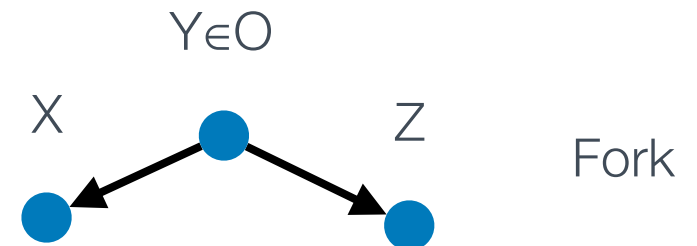
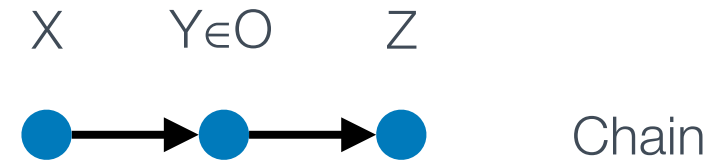


- ★ All three graphs are I-maps for p
- ★ G_1 and G_2 are I-maps for q , but G_3 is not

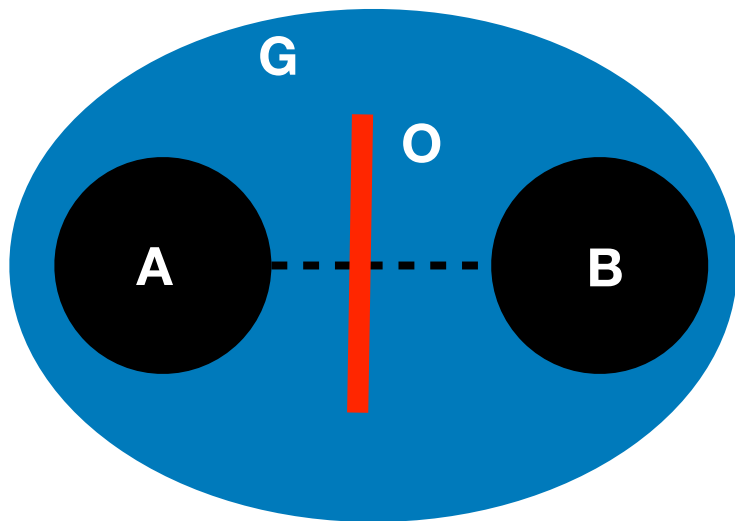
D-SEPARATION

★ A path is d-separated by O if it has

- a chain $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$ where $Y \in O$
- a fork $X \leftarrow Y \rightarrow Z$ where $Y \in O$
- a v-structure $X \rightarrow Y \leftarrow Z$ where $(Y \cup \text{desc}(Y)) \cap O = \emptyset$



D-SEPARATION SETS AND CI OF DAGS



★ A is d-separated from B given O if every undirected path between A and B is d-separated by O

★ Cond. ind rel. in DAG G,

$$x_A \perp_G x_B | x_O$$



A is d-separated from B given O

SOUNDNESS AND COMPLETENESS

- ★ $I(G)$ conditional independence relations implied by d-sep in G
- ★ $I(p)$ conditional independence relations satisfied by p
- ★ Theorem
A distribution P can be factorised over G iff $I(G) \subseteq I(p)$
- ★ “=” not possible to achieve, ex. clique and independent distribution

