

# CS 581

## *Advanced Artificial Intelligence*

March 20, 2024

# Announcements / Reminders

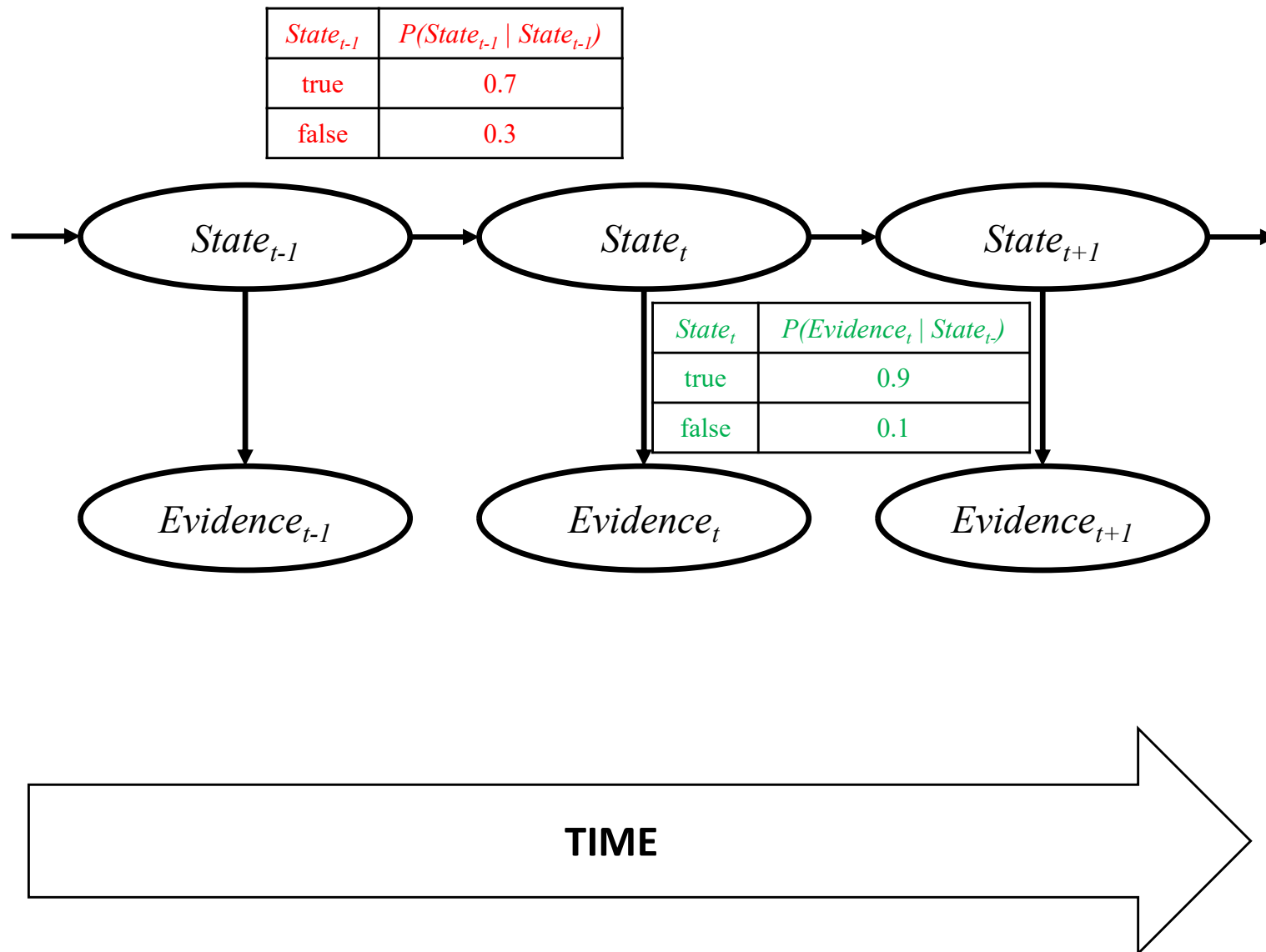
- Please follow the Week 09 To Do List instructions (if you haven't already)
- Programming Assignment #02 due on Sunday (04/07) at 11:59 PM CST
- Written Assignment #03 due on Sunday (03/31) at 11:59 PM CST

# Plan for Today

- Probabilistic Reasoning over Time

# Inference in Temporal Models

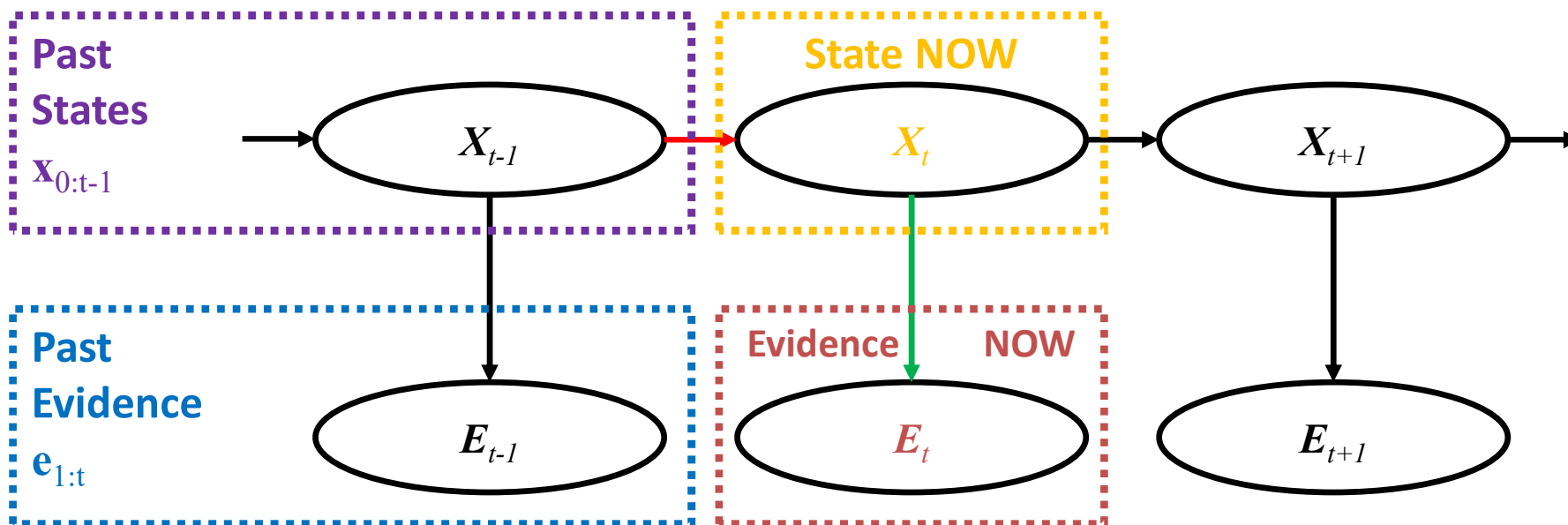
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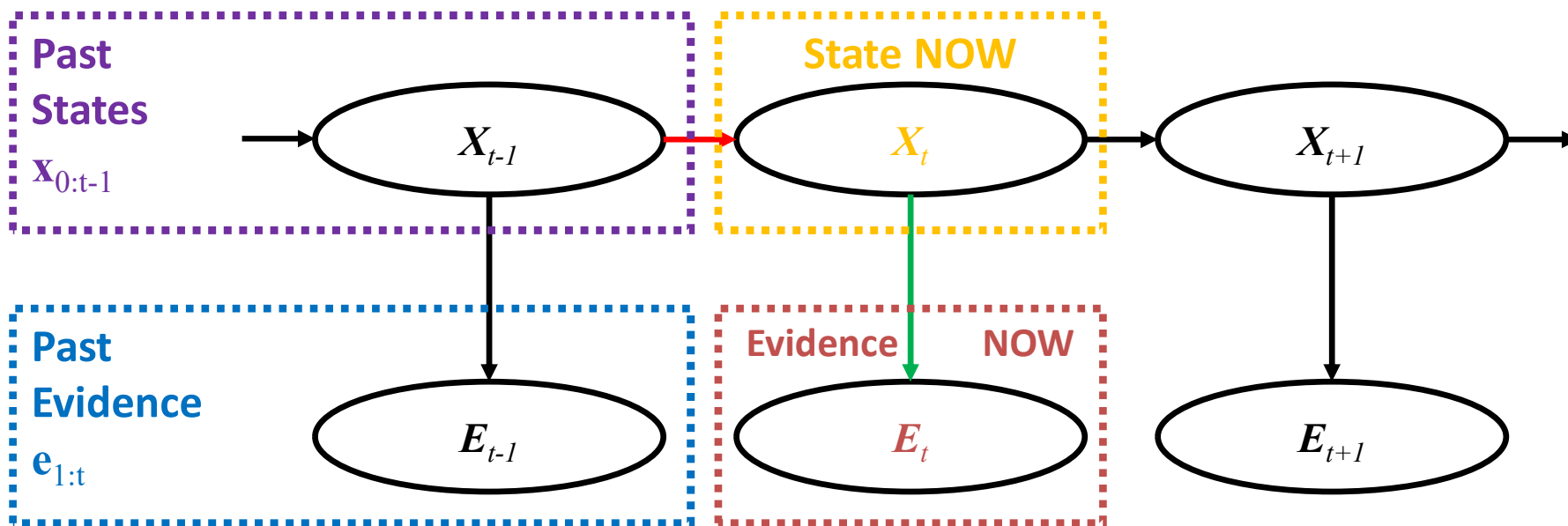
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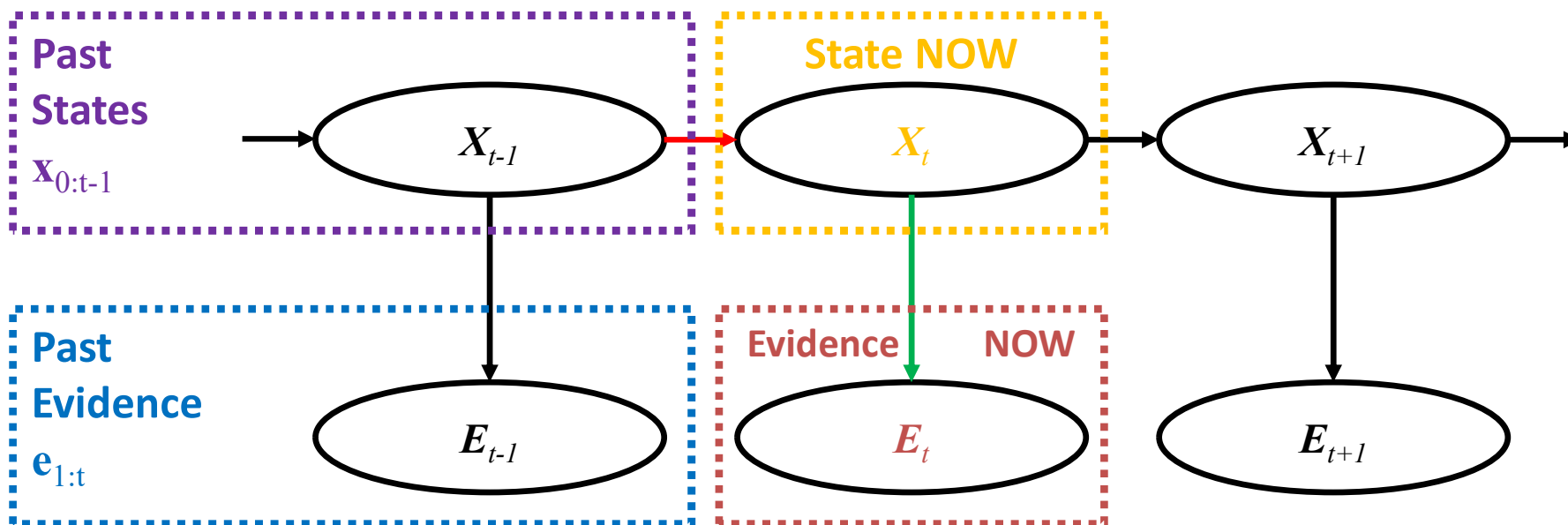
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What is the problem here?

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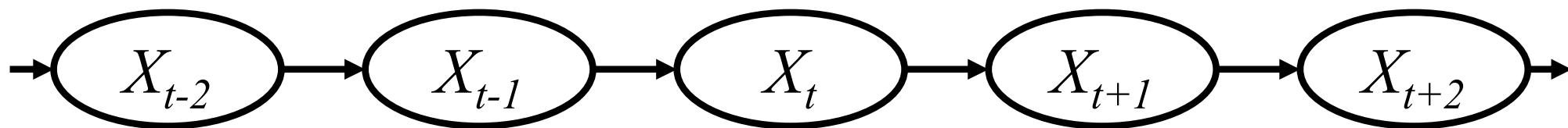
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Unbounded sets as  $t$  grows!



# Markov Assumption

Markov Process (Chain) is a random process that generates a sequence of states:



Bayesian Network?? Anyone? Indeed!

$$P(X_{t+1} \mid X_t, X_{t-2}, X_{t-2}) = P(X_t \mid \text{Parents}(X_t)) = P(X_{t+1} \mid X_t)$$

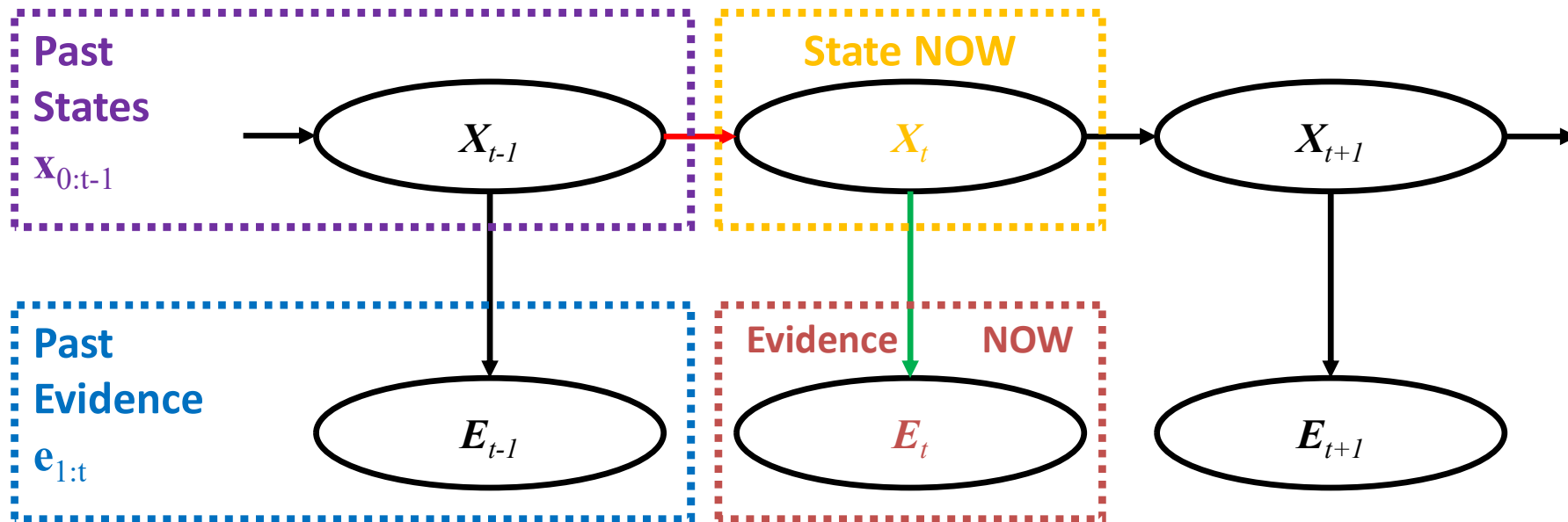
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(First-order) Markov **ASSUMPTION**

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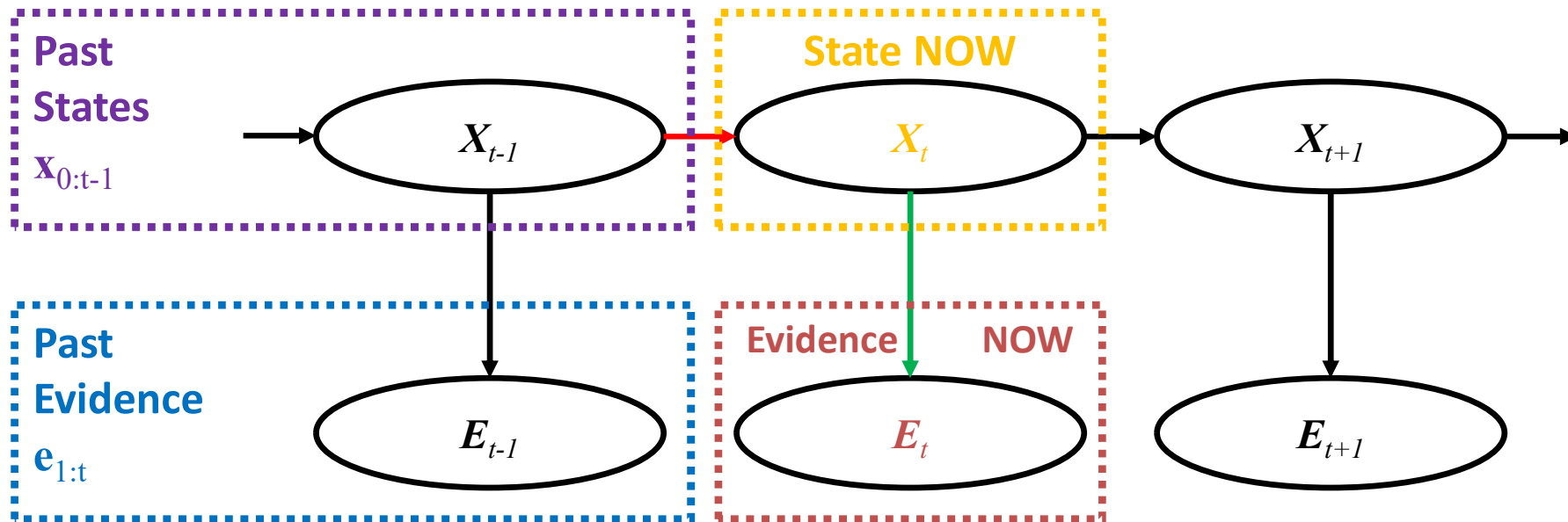
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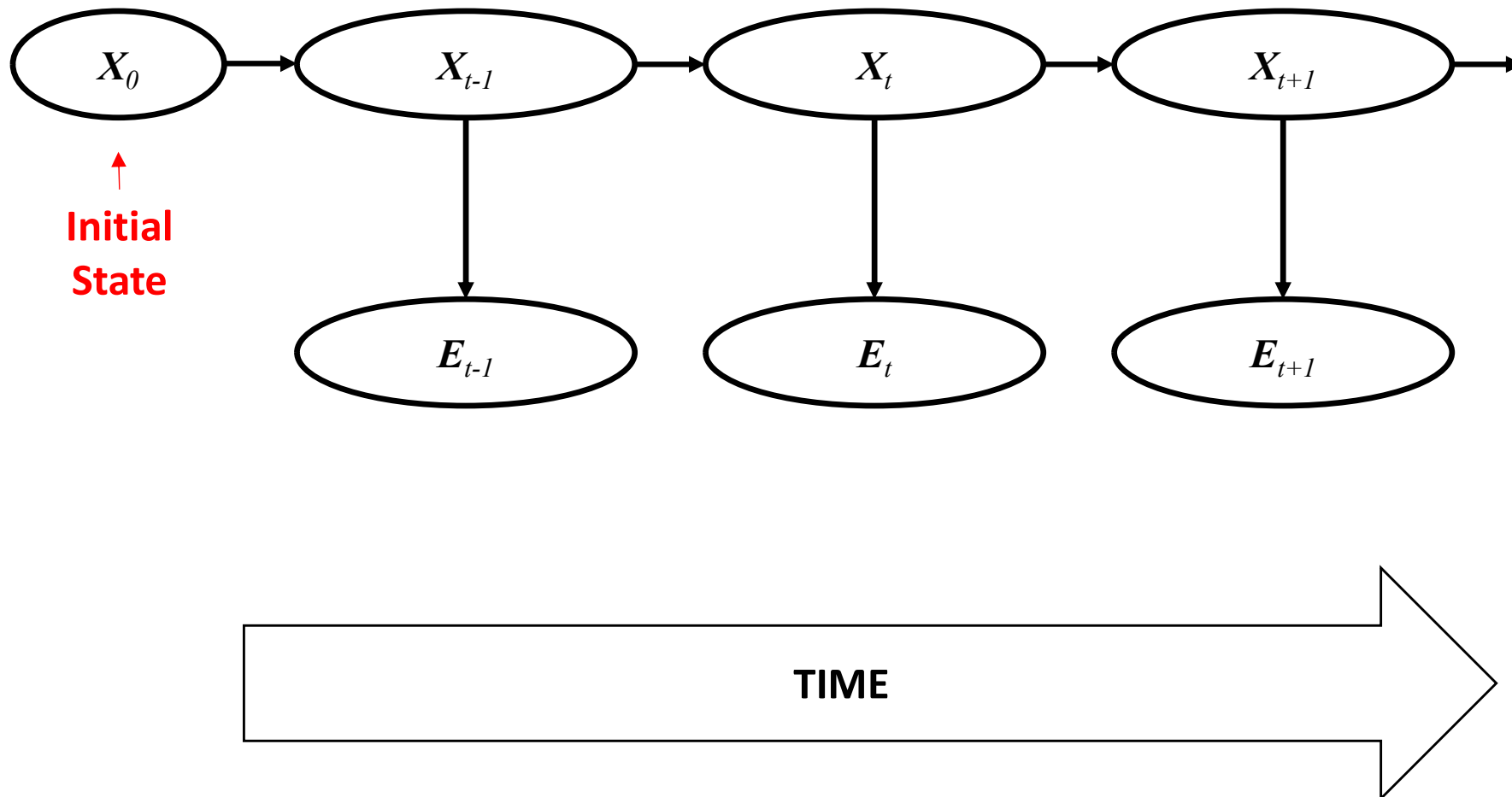
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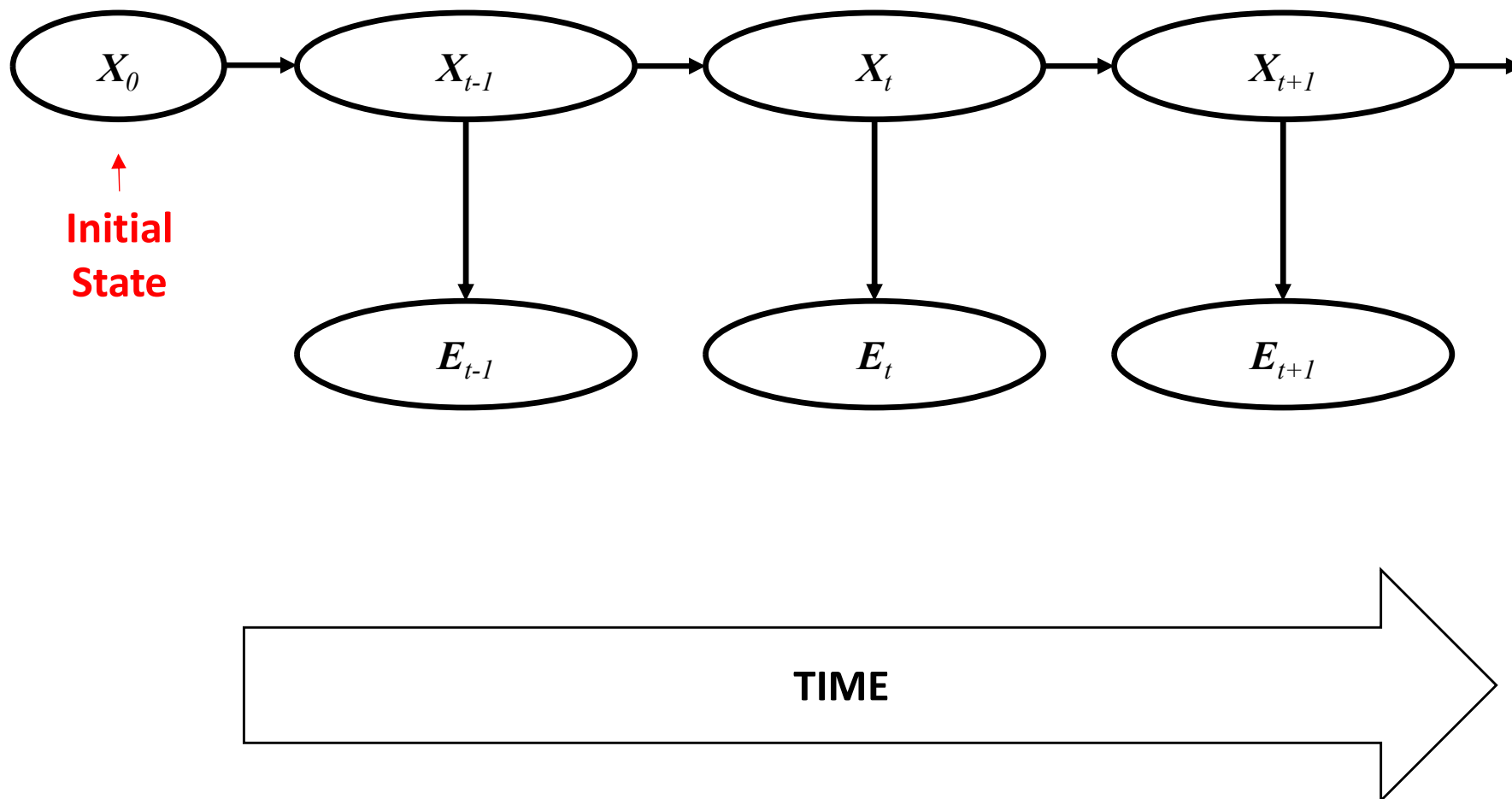
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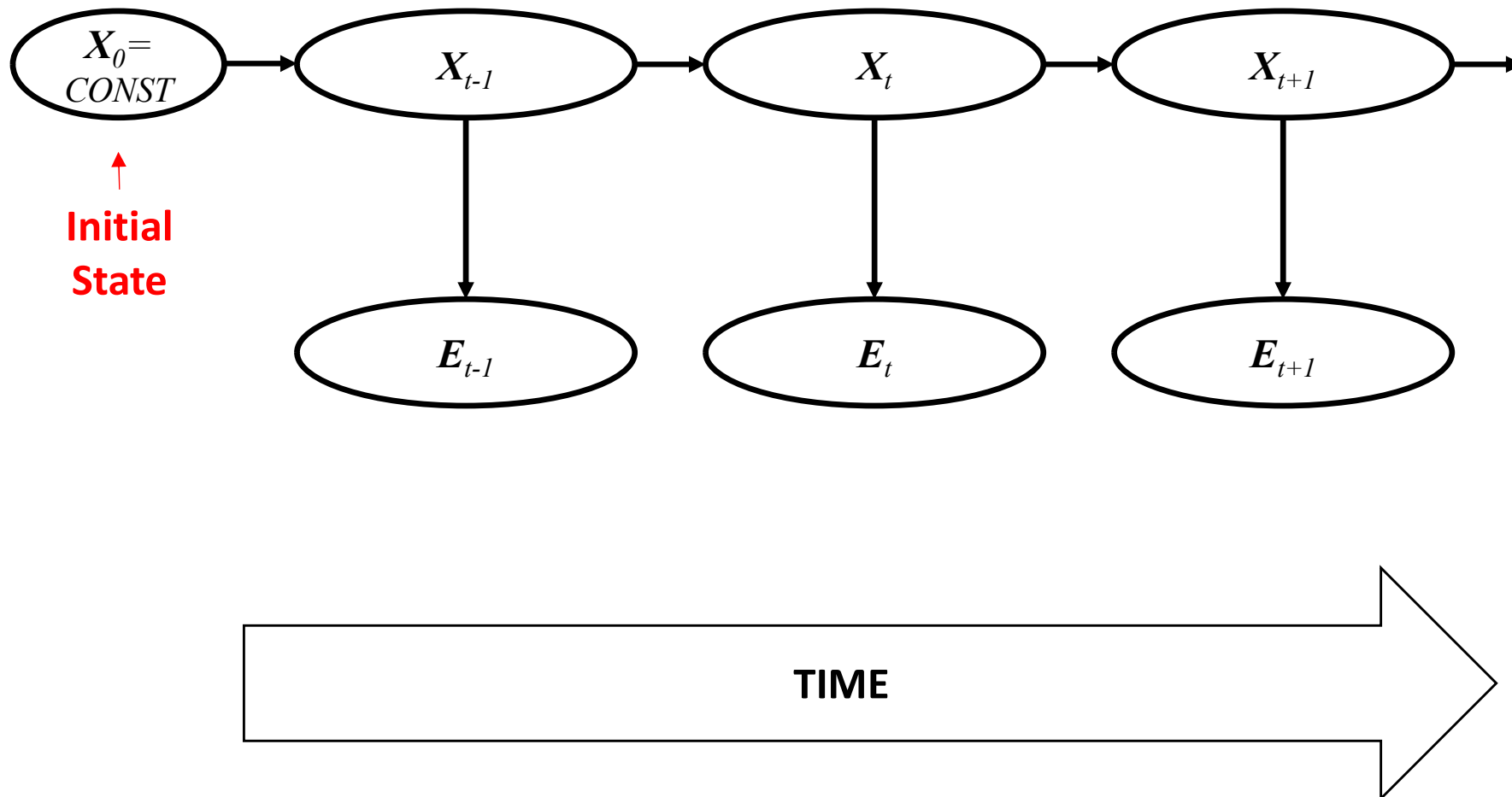
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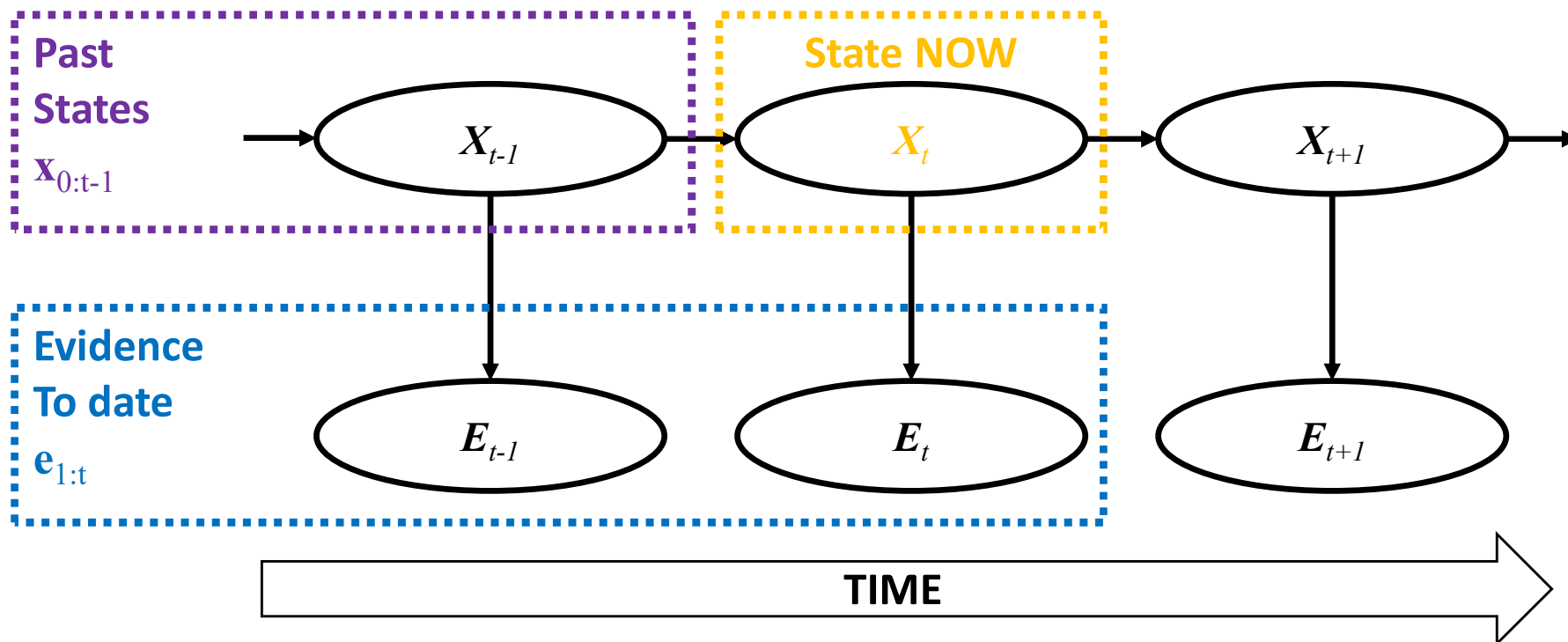
# Inference in Temporal Models

- **Filtering / State Estimation**
  - Current Belief State given Evidence/Percept/Observations so far
- **Prediction**
  - Future Belief State given Evidence/Percept /Observations so far
- **Smoothing**
  - Past Belief State given Evidence/Percept/Observations so far
- **Most likely explanation:**
  - Use sequence of observations to find sequence of states that generated them
- **Learning:**
  - Learn the transition and sensor models based on observations (“emissions”)

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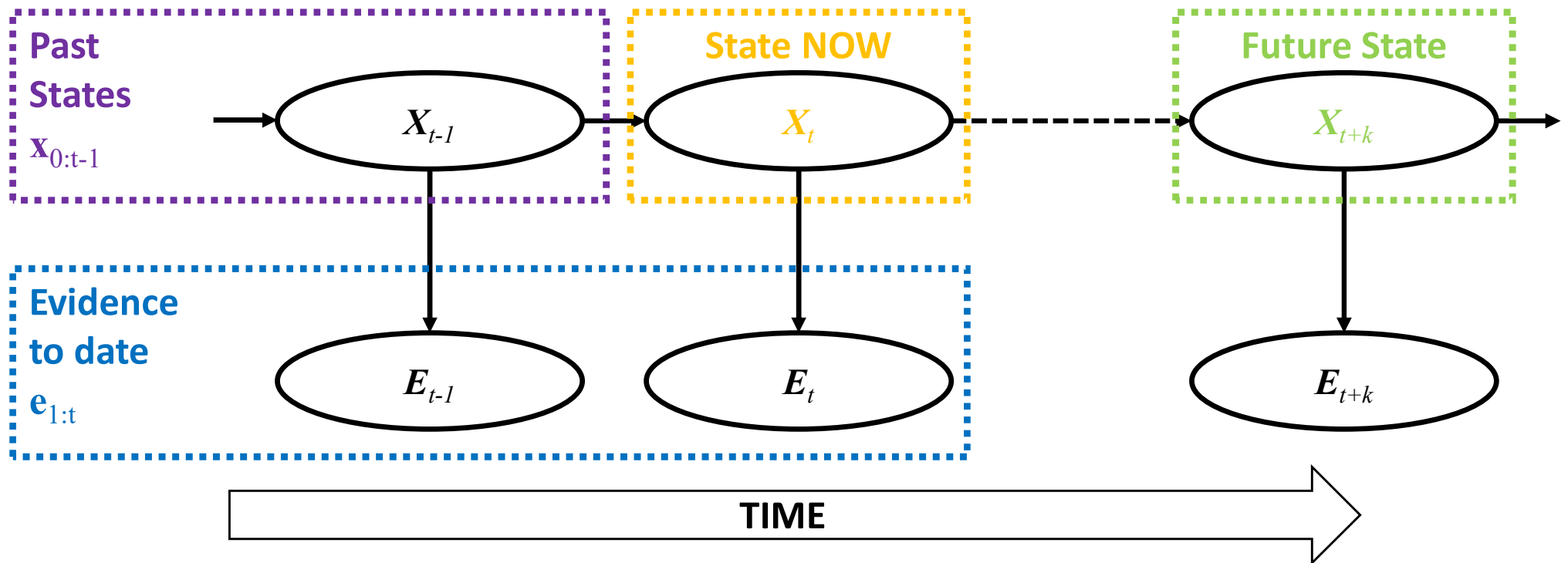




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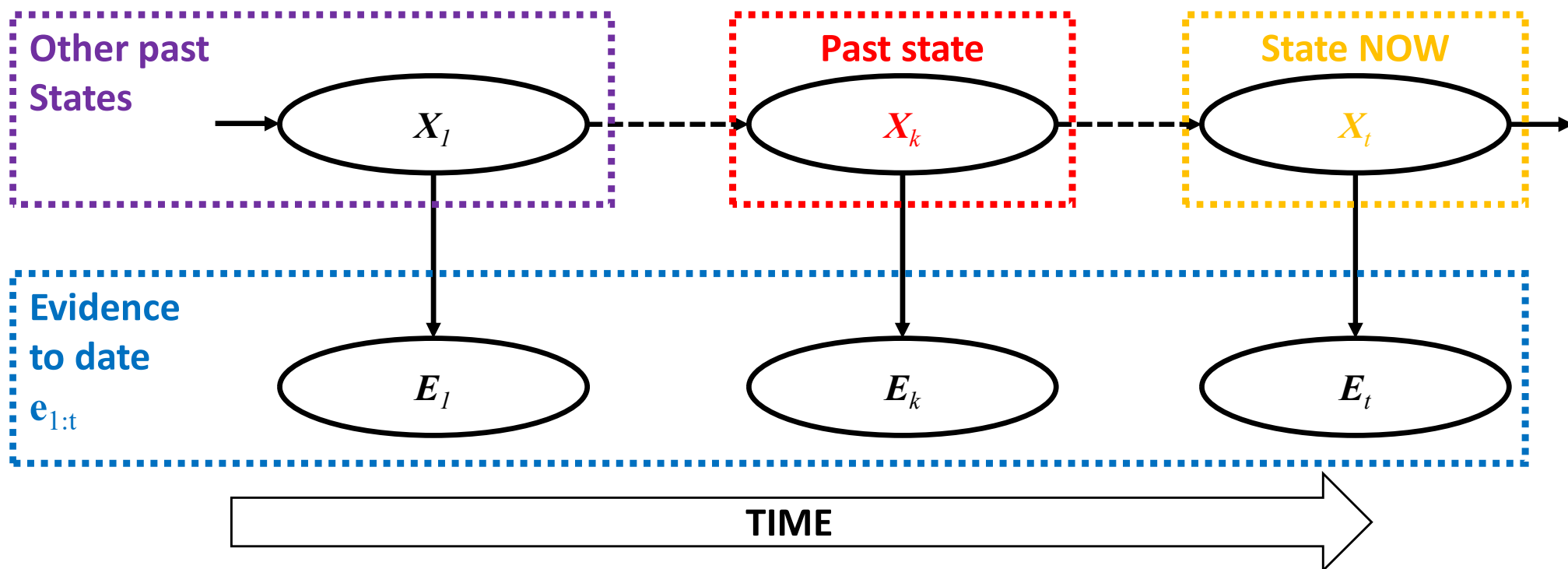
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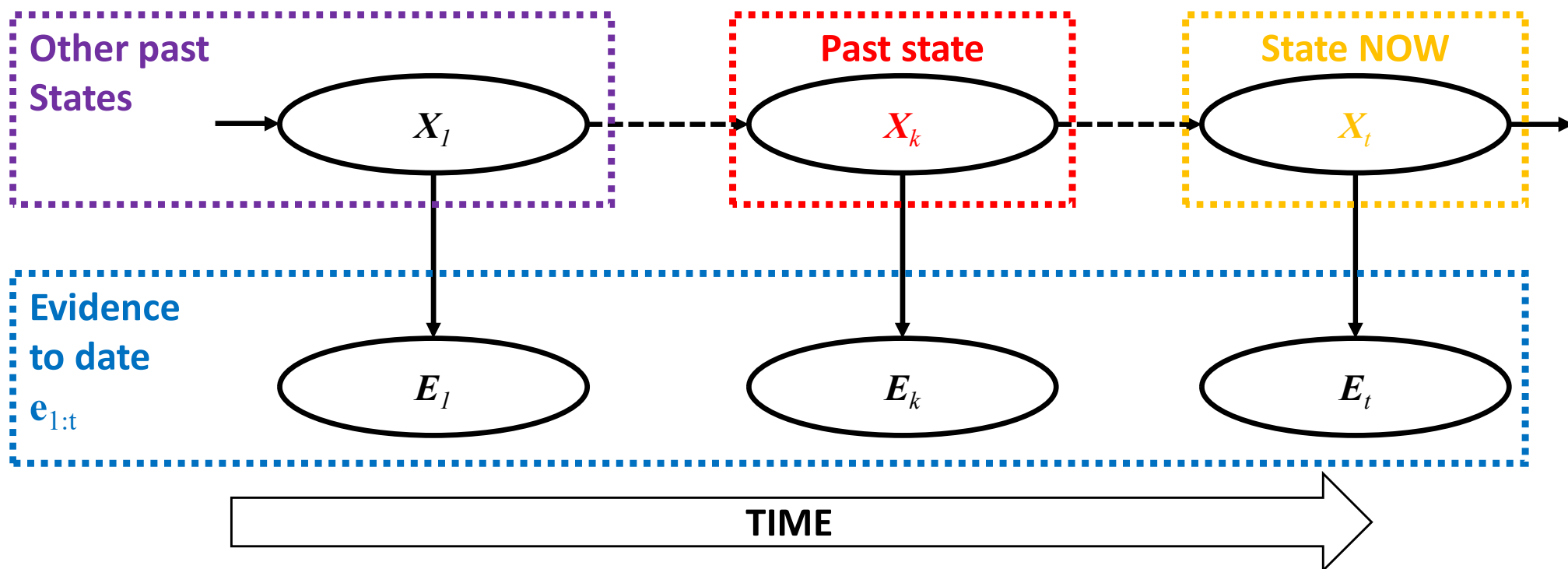
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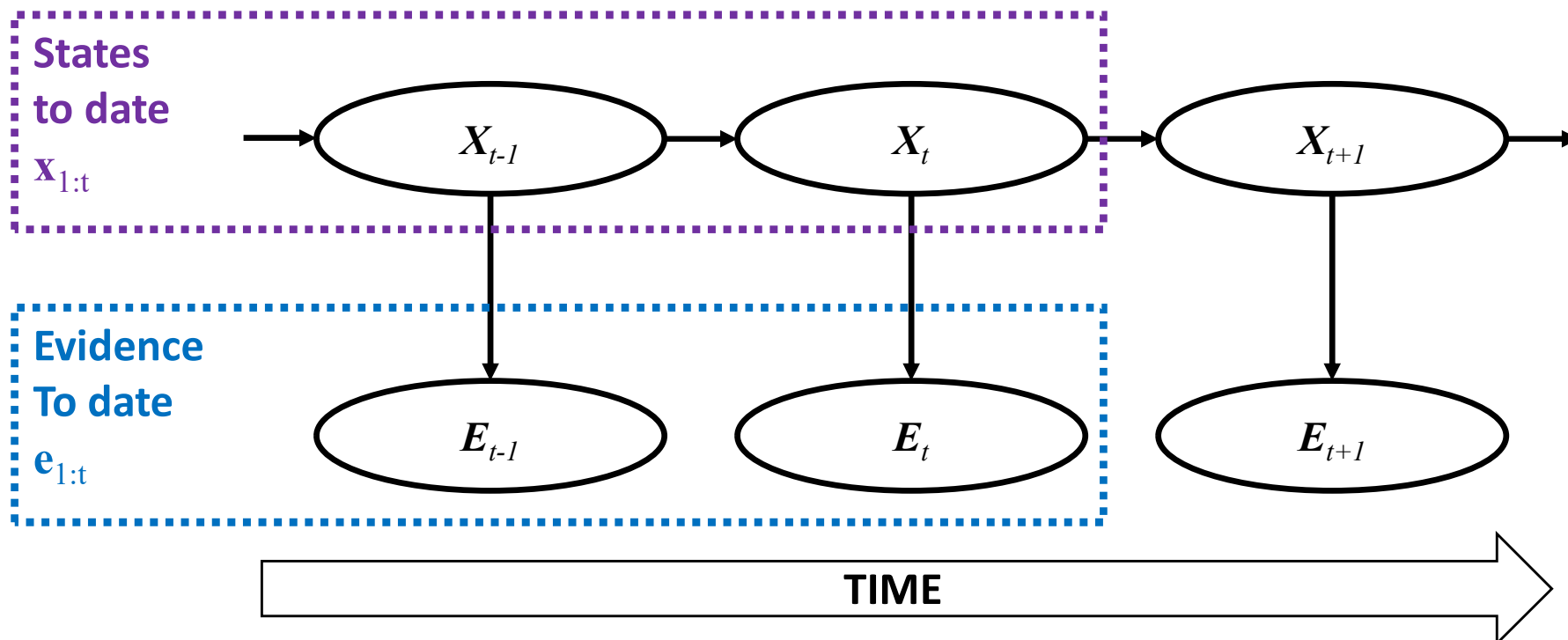
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# Inference: Most Likely Explanation

Given a **sequence of observations**, we might wish to find the **sequence of states** that is most likely to have generated those observations.

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{x}_{1:t}} P(\mathbf{x}_{1:t} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$$

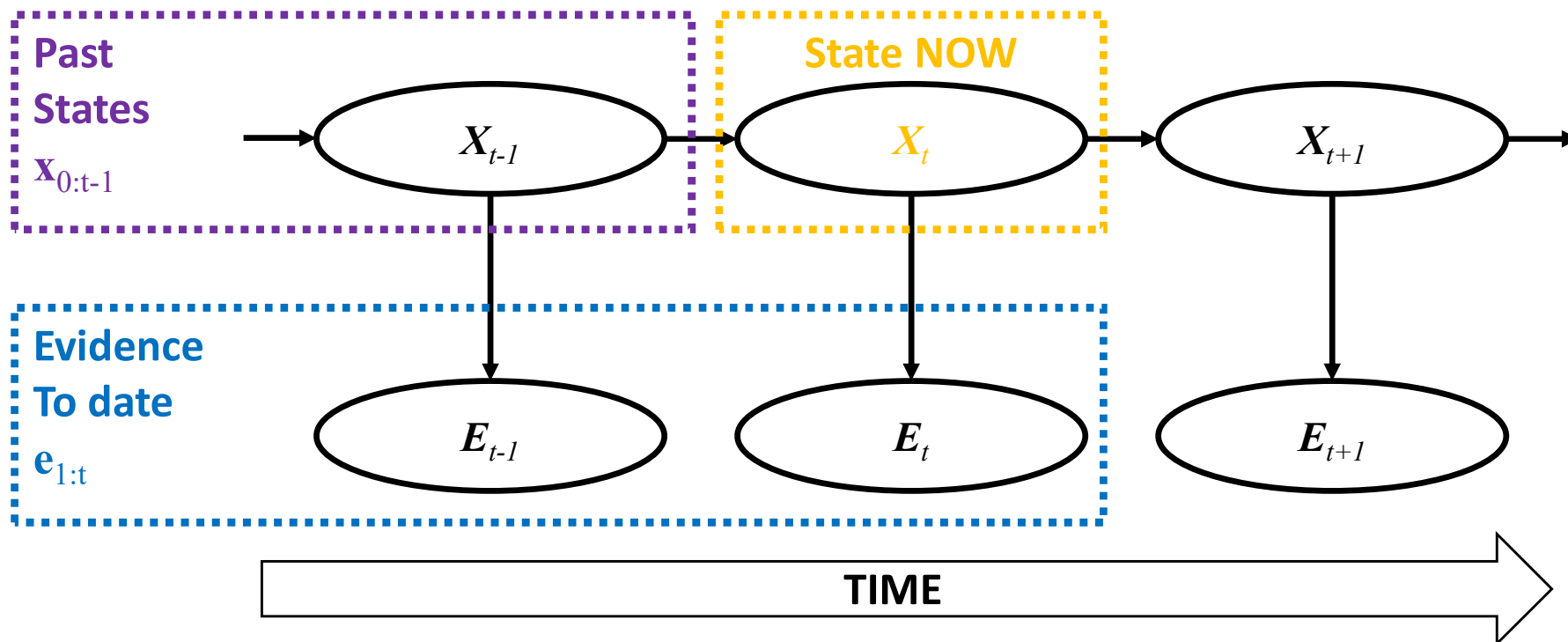


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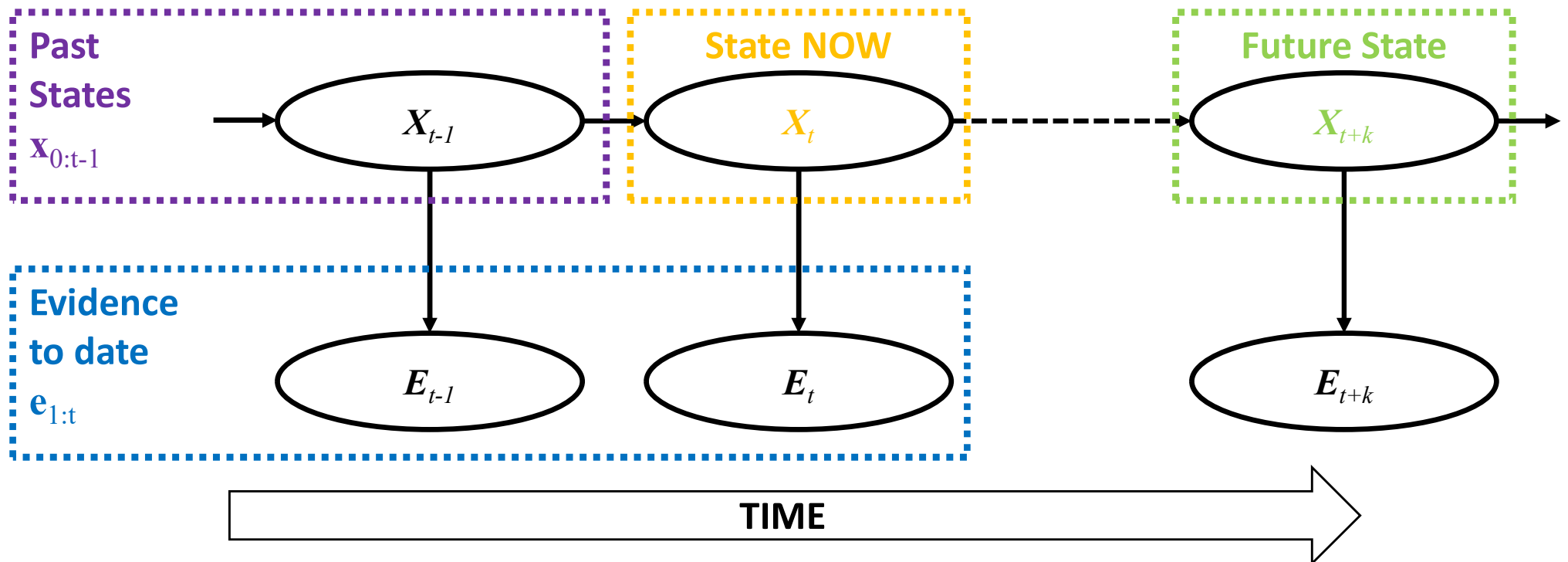
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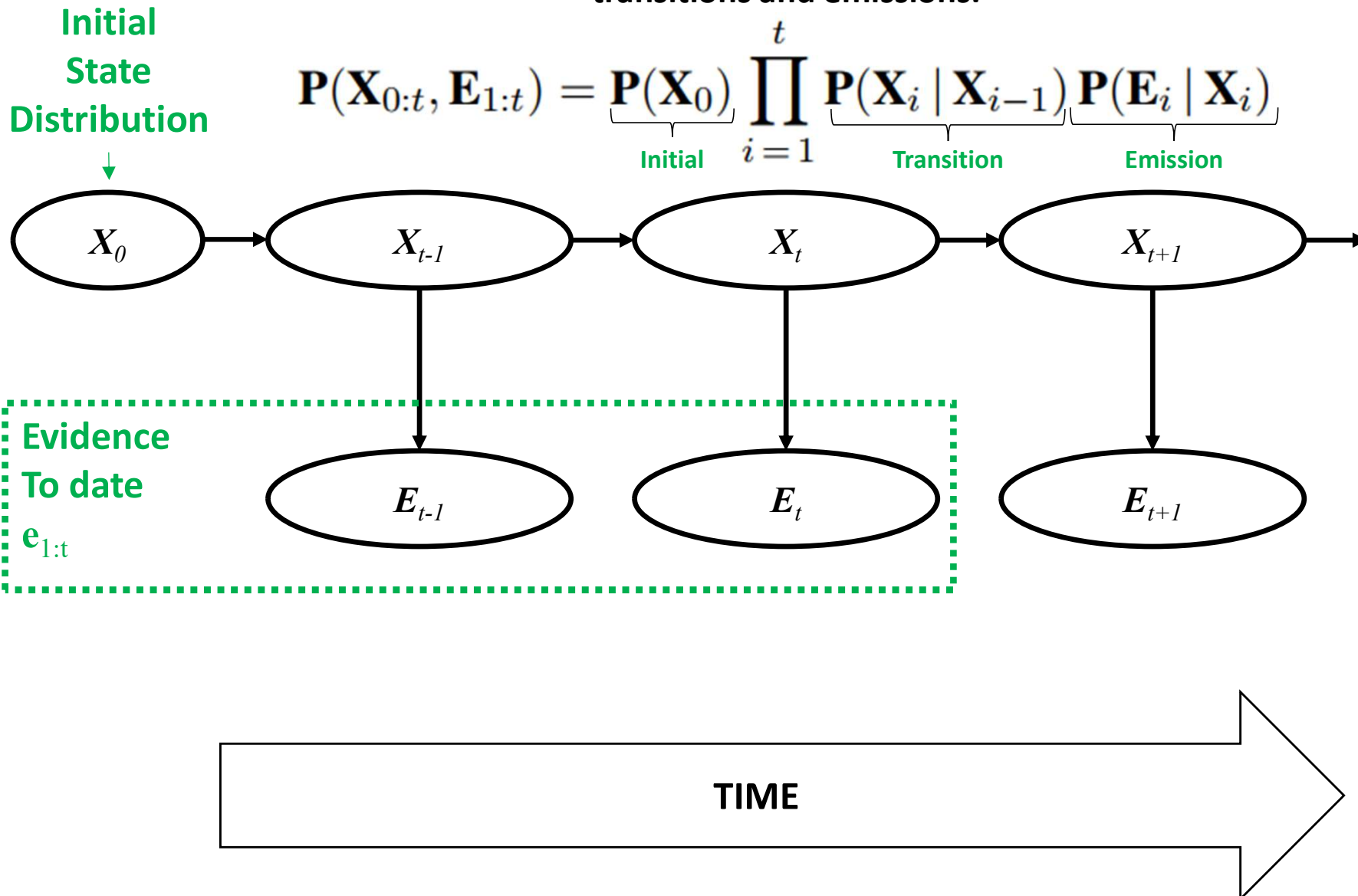
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# What Is Known?

The complete (including initial state distribution | for any  $t$ ) joint probability distribution for a sequence of transitions and emissions:





# Filtering / Recursive Estimation

For filtering (state estimation) we are interested in calculating:

$$P(\mathbf{X}_t \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$$

Given all the evidence/observation to date ( $\mathbf{e}_{1:t}$ ), what is the state  $\mathbf{X}_t$ ? What about estimation for the following time slice?

$$P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t+1}) = ???$$

Ideally, we would like to take advantage of what we already have and UPDATE:

$$P(\mathbf{X}_{t+1} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t+1}) = f(\mathbf{e}_{t+1}, P(\mathbf{X}_t \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t}))$$

for some function  $f$ . This is called **recursive estimation**.

# Filtering / Recursive Estimation

Let's take a look at this recursive relationship again:

$$P(X_{t+1} | e_{1:t+1}) = f(e_{t+1}, P(X_t | e_{1:t}))$$

Recursive function arguments:

- $P(X_t | e_{1:t})$  is the **current (at time  $t$ ) state** probability distribution obtained once we have all the evidence/observation to date ( $e_{1:t}$ )
- $e_{t+1}$  is the observation for next (at time  $t+1$ ) state  $X_{t+1}$

In other words: if we know current state (at time  $t+1$ ) probability distribution AND next (at time  $t+1$ ) observation -> next state probability distribution.

How do we calculate it, though?

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Applying Bayes Rule yields: Normalizing constant

$$P(X_{t+1} \mid e_{1:t}, e_{t+1}) = \alpha * P(e_{t+1} \mid X_{t+1}, e_{1:t}) * P(X_{t+1} \mid e_{1:t})$$

How did we get there?

Conditional probability:  $P(A \mid B) = \frac{P(A,B)}{P(B)}$

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Ordering can be changed:  $P(A, B) = P(B, A)$

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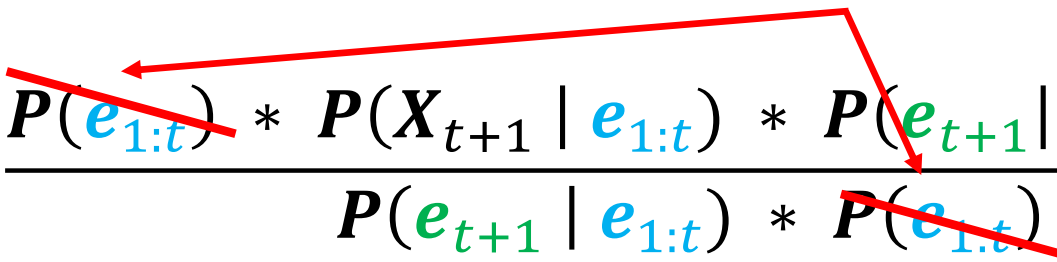
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Cancel terms


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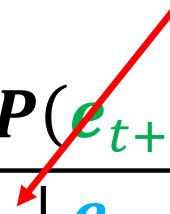
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We don't really need to know this

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We can always normalize later

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$$P(X_{t+k} \mid e_{1:t})$$

Prediction



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# Filtering: State Estimate

State estimate equation:

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# Filtered Estimate as a “Message”

Filtered estimate

$$P(X_t \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$$

can be thought of as a message  $f_{1:t}$  propagated forward along the sequence, modified by each transition and updated by each new observation. The process is given by:

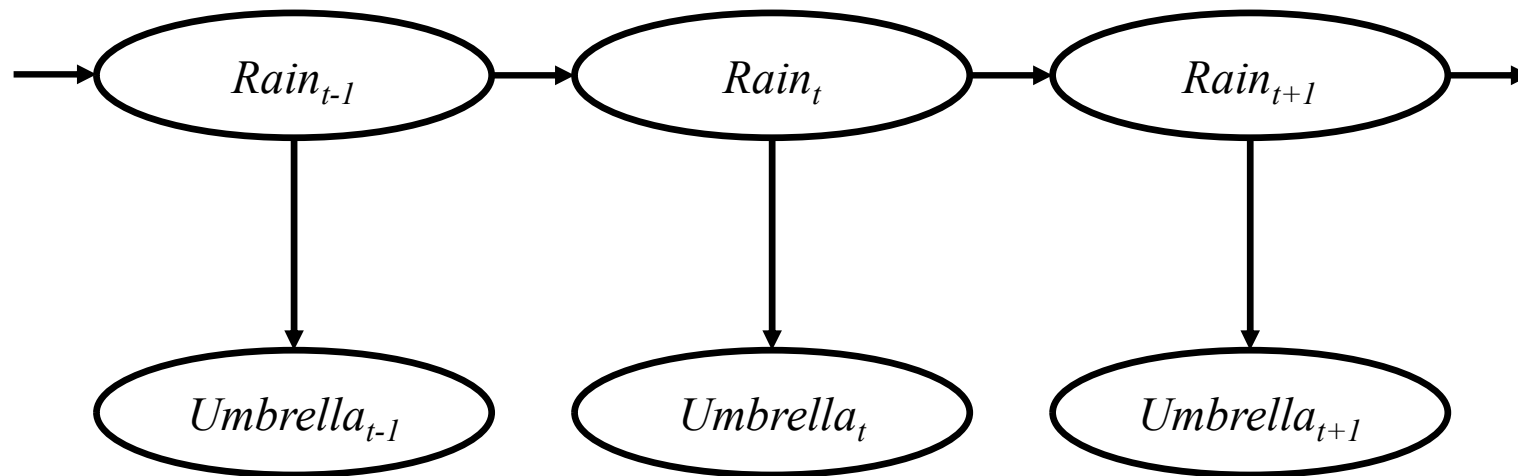
$$f_{1:t} = FORWARD(f_{1:t-1}, e_t)$$

$$\text{where: } f_{1:0} = P(X_0)$$

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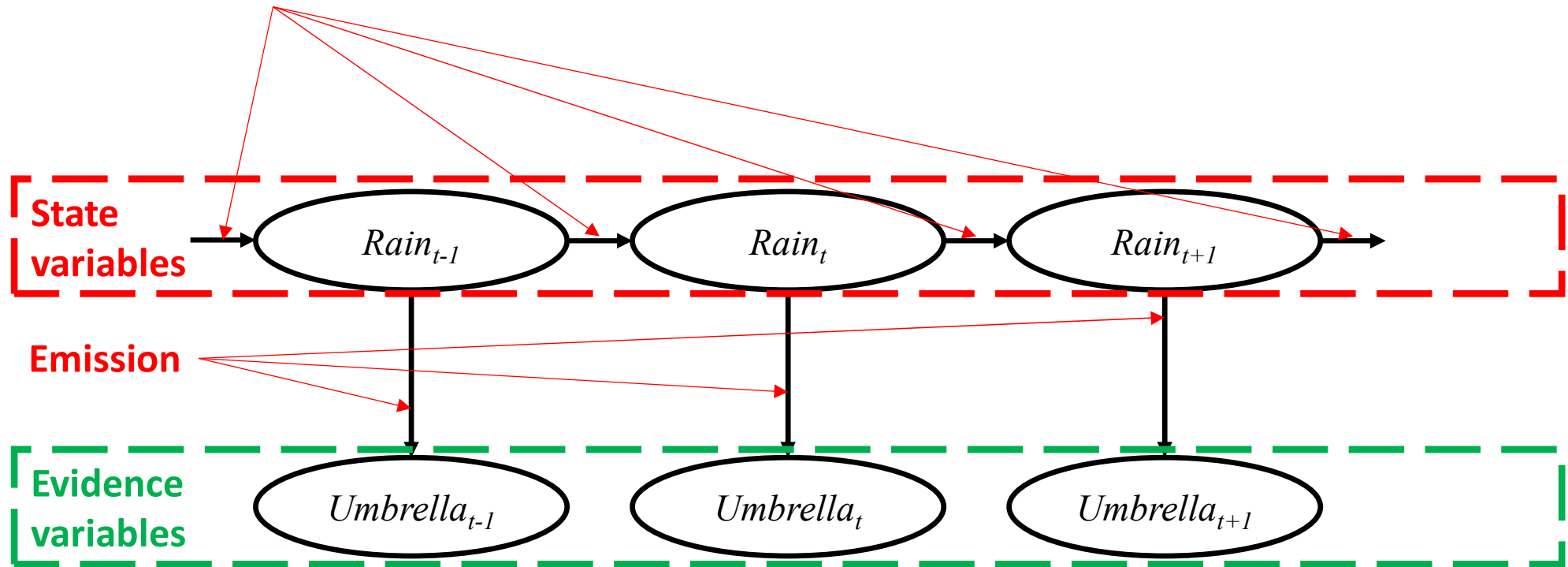
With all state variables discrete: update time is constant (independent of  $t$ ) and the space required is constant as well.

# Filtering: Example

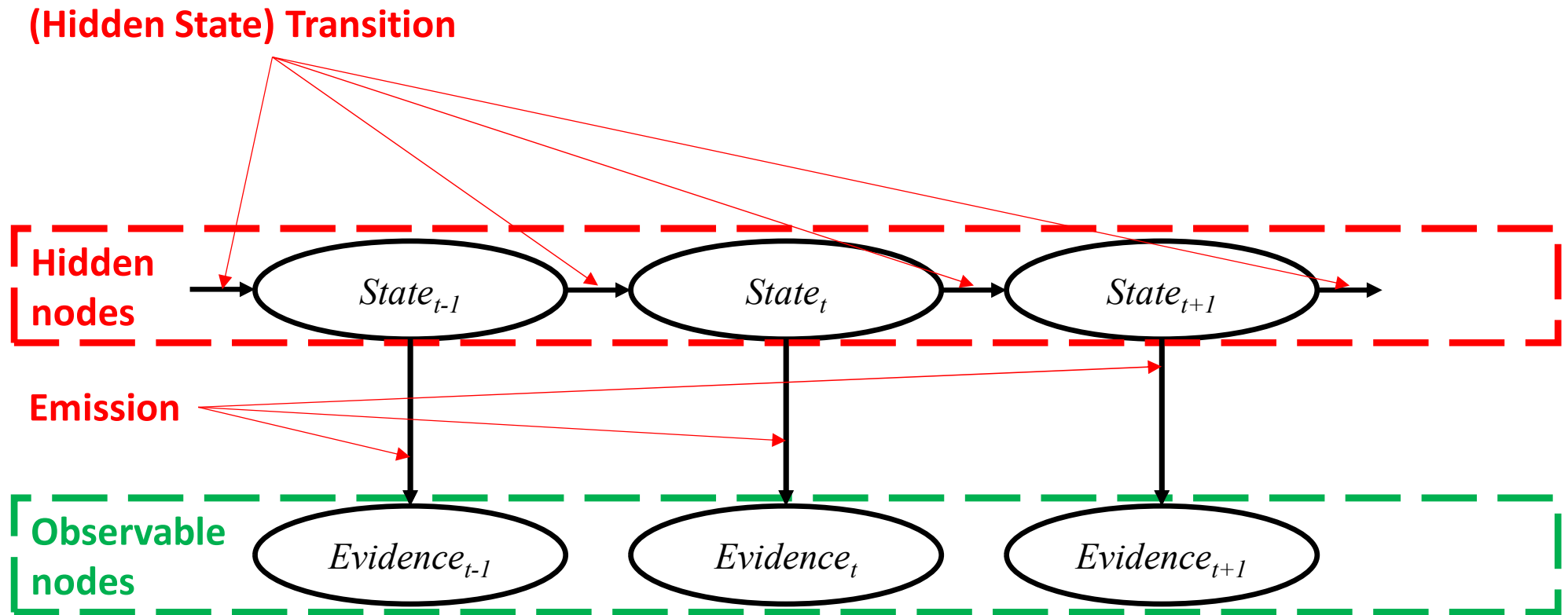


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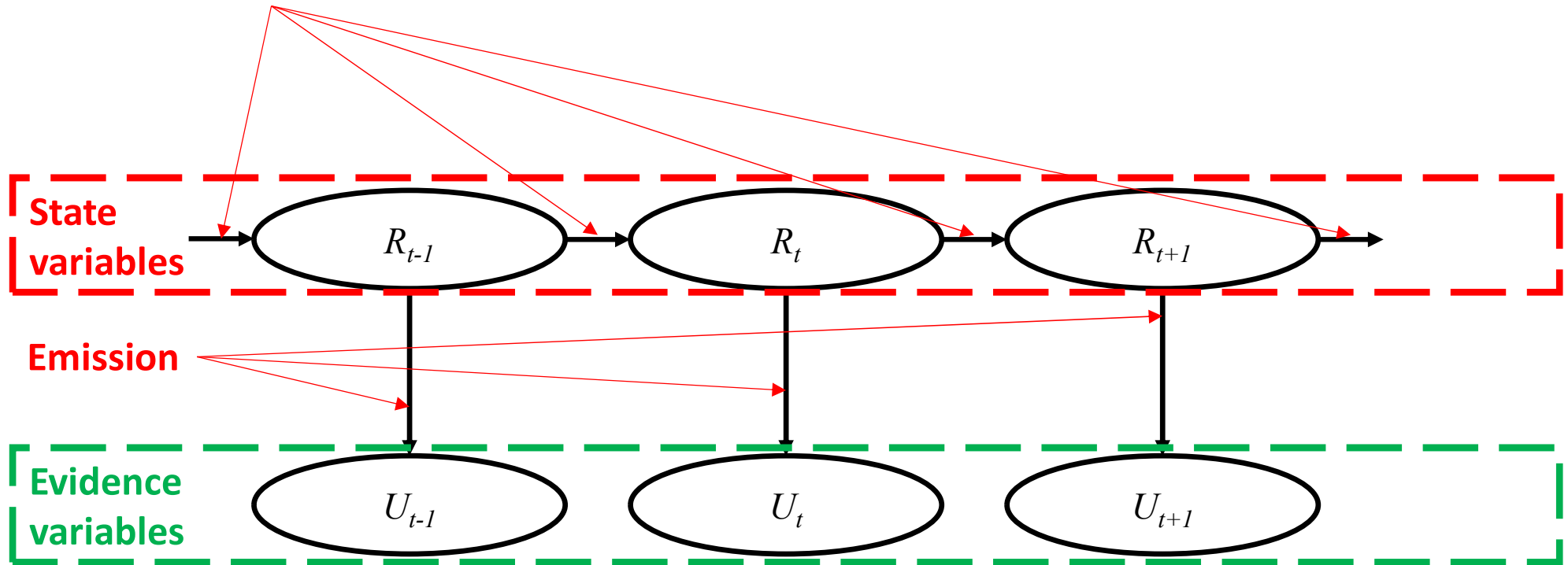


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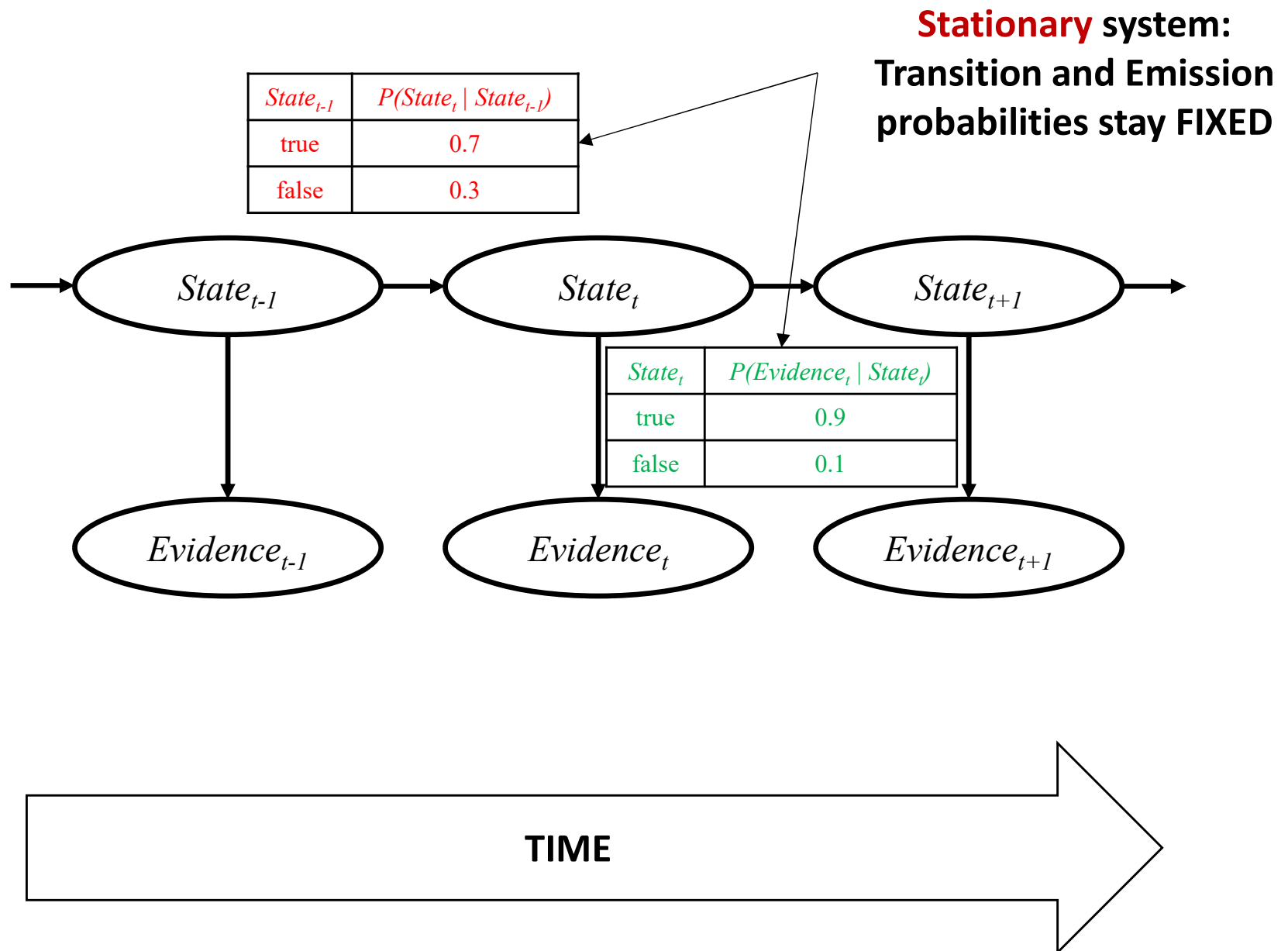
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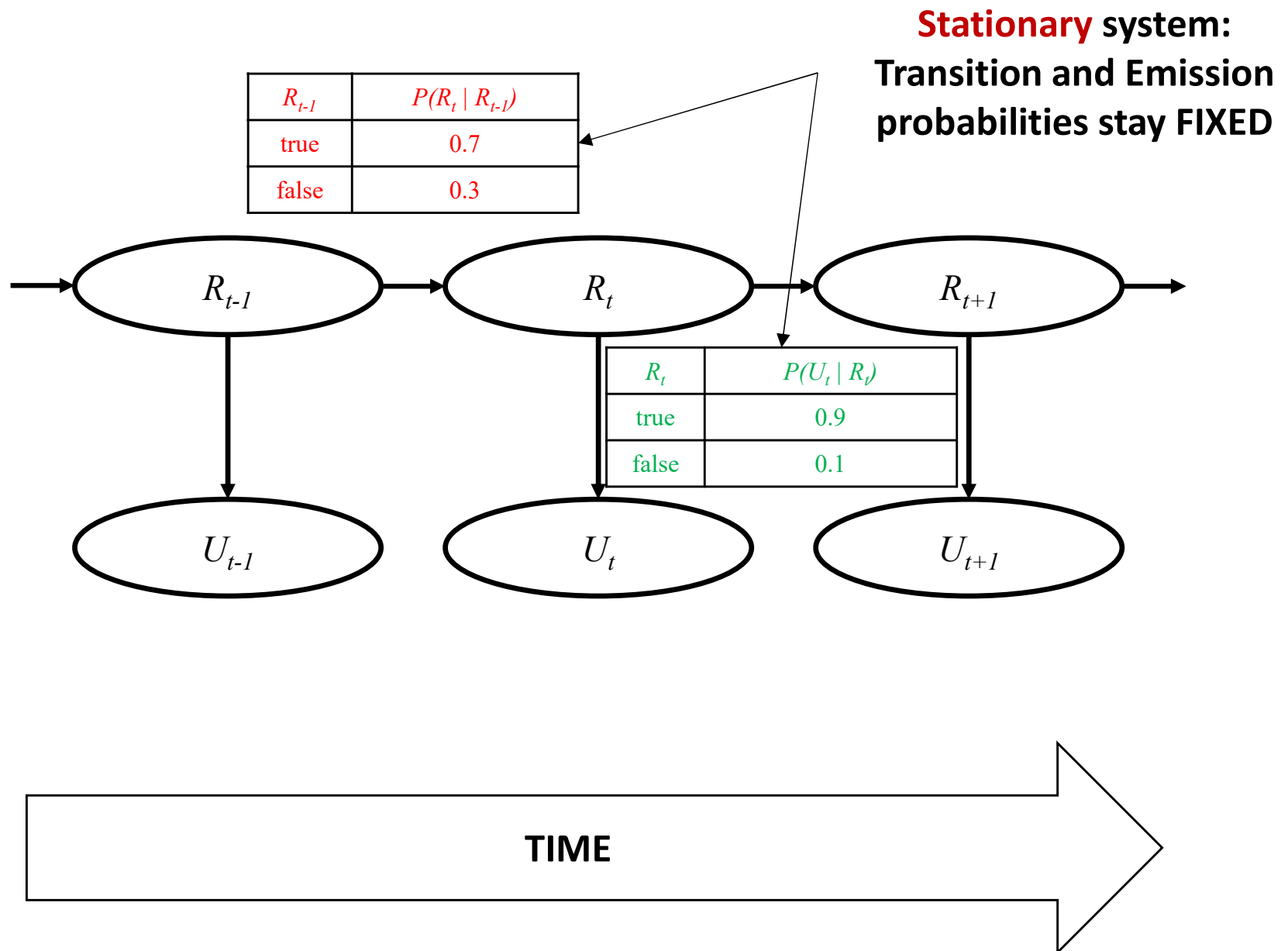




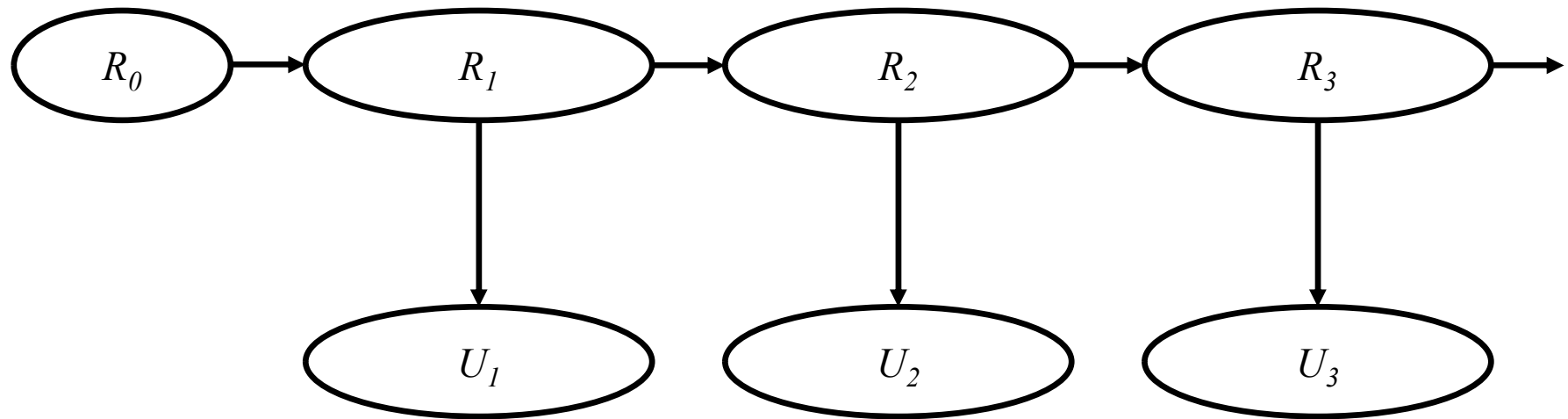
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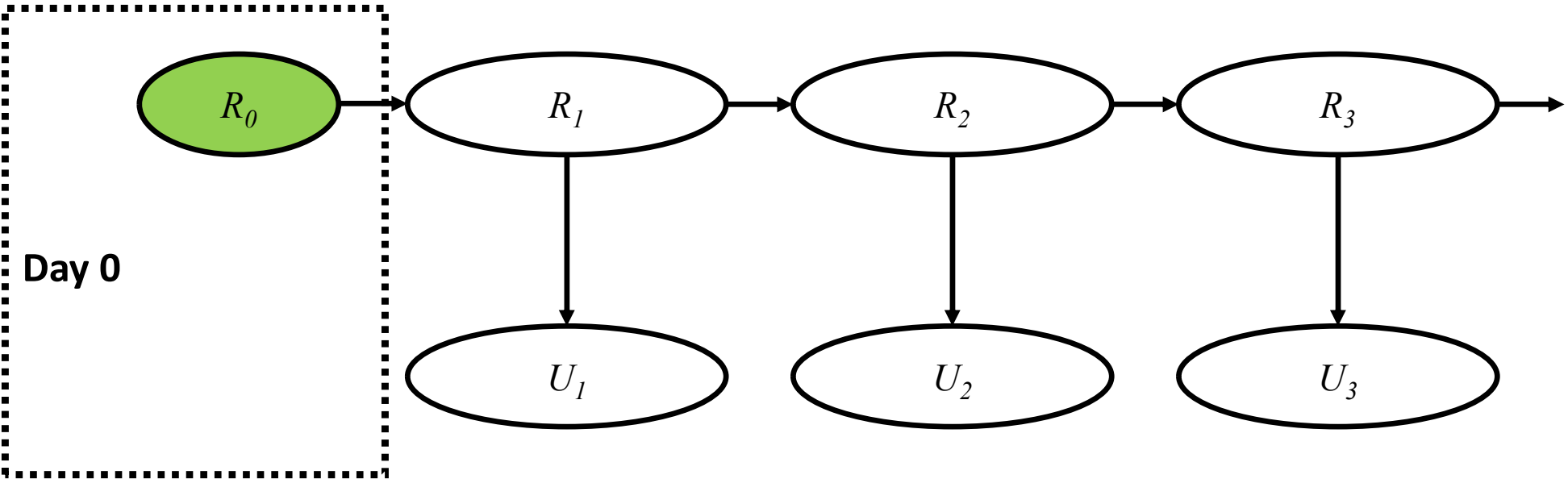
Possible values for  $R_i$ : *true, false* | Possible values for  $U_i$ : *true, false*

Say we want to estimate  $P(R_2 | u_{1:2})$ .

Recall that:

$$P(X_t | \mathbf{e}_{1:t}) = \alpha * P(\mathbf{e}_t | X_t) * \sum_{x_{t-1}} P(X_t | x_{t-1}) * P(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} | \mathbf{e}_{1:t-1})$$

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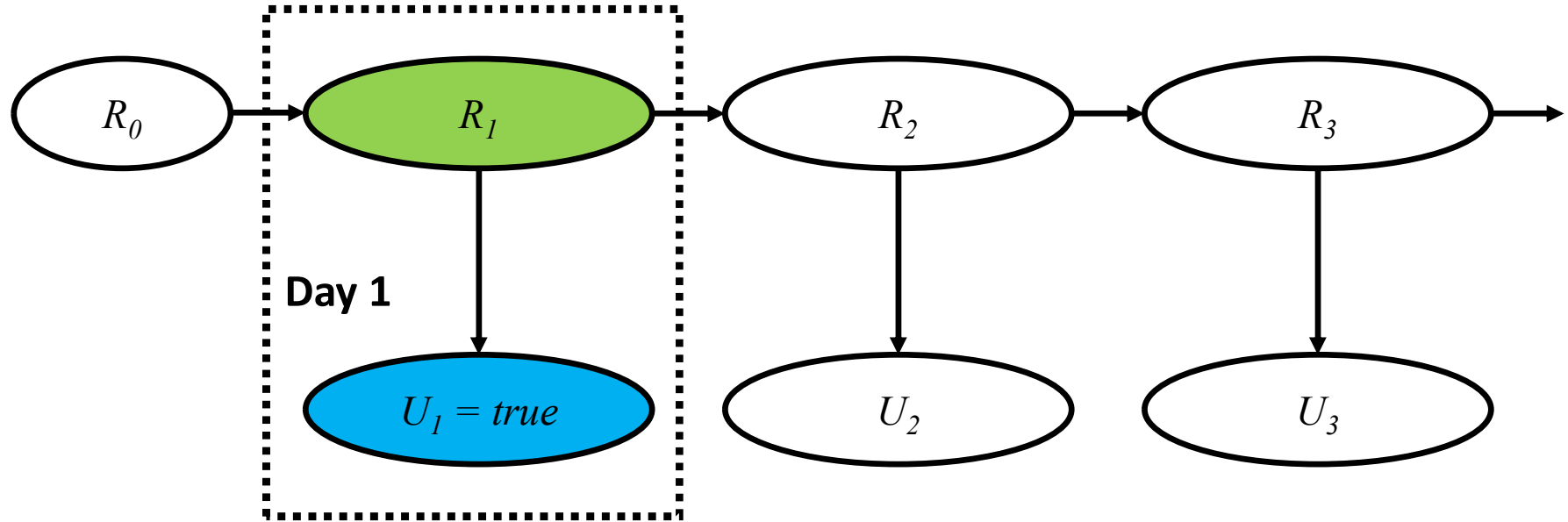
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Let's assume that:

$$P(R_0) = \langle 0.5, 0.5 \rangle$$

And there are no observations on Day 0.

# Inference in Temporal Model: Example



$$P(X_t \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t}) = \alpha * P(\mathbf{e}_t \mid X_t) * \sum_{\mathbf{x}_{t-1}} P(X_t \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) * P(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t-1})$$

$$P(R_1 \mid \mathbf{u}_{1:1}) = \alpha * P(\mathbf{u}_1 \mid R_1) * \sum_{r_0} P(R_1 \mid r_0) * P(r_0 \mid \mathbf{u}_{1:0})$$

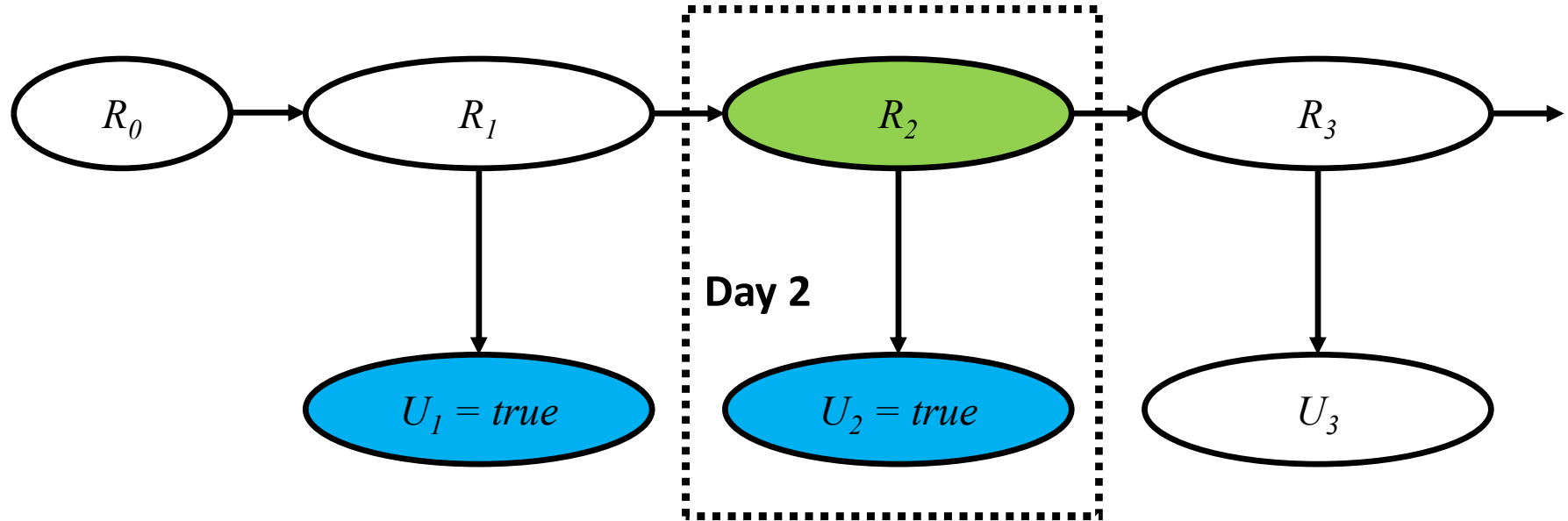
$$P(R_1 \mid \mathbf{u}_1) = \alpha * P(u_1 \mid R_1) * \sum_{r_0} P(R_1 \mid r_0) * P(r_0)$$

$$P(R_1 \mid \mathbf{u}_1) = \alpha * \langle 0.9, 0.1 \rangle * [\langle 0.7, 0.3 \rangle * 0.5 + \langle 0.3, 0.7 \rangle * 0.5]$$

$$P(R_1 \mid \mathbf{u}_1) = \alpha * \langle 0.9, 0.1 \rangle * [\langle 0.35, 0.15 \rangle + \langle 0.15, 0.35 \rangle]$$

$$P(R_1 \mid \mathbf{u}_1) = \alpha * \langle 0.9, 0.1 \rangle * \langle 0.5, 0.5 \rangle \approx \langle 0.9, 0.1 \rangle$$

# Inference in Temporal Model: Example



$$P(X_t \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t}) = \alpha * P(\mathbf{e}_t \mid X_t) * \sum_{\mathbf{x}_{t-1}} P(X_t \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1}) * P(\mathbf{x}_{t-1} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t-1})$$

$$P(R_2 \mid \mathbf{u}_{1:2}) = \alpha * P(\mathbf{u}_2 \mid R_2) * \sum_{r_1} P(R_2 \mid r_1) * P(r_1 \mid \mathbf{u}_{1:1})$$

$$P(R_2 \mid \mathbf{u}_{1:2}) = \alpha * P(u_2 \mid R_2) * \sum_{r_1} P(R_2 \mid r_1) * P(r_1 \mid u_1)$$

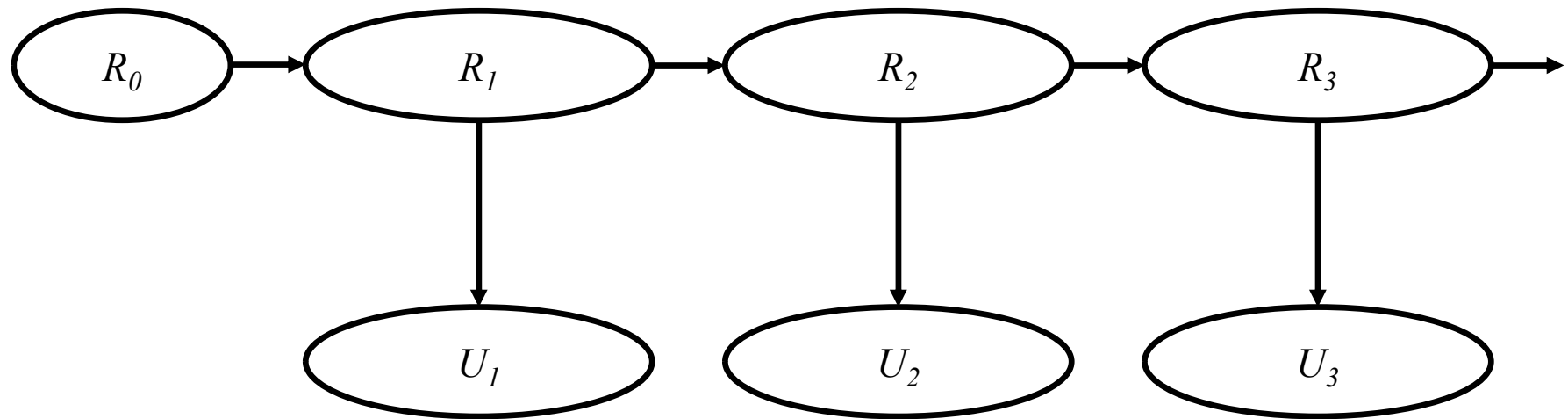
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$$P(R_2 \mid \mathbf{u}_{1:2}) = \alpha * \langle 0.9, 0.1 \rangle * [\langle 0.63, 0.27 \rangle + \langle 0.03, 0.07 \rangle]$$

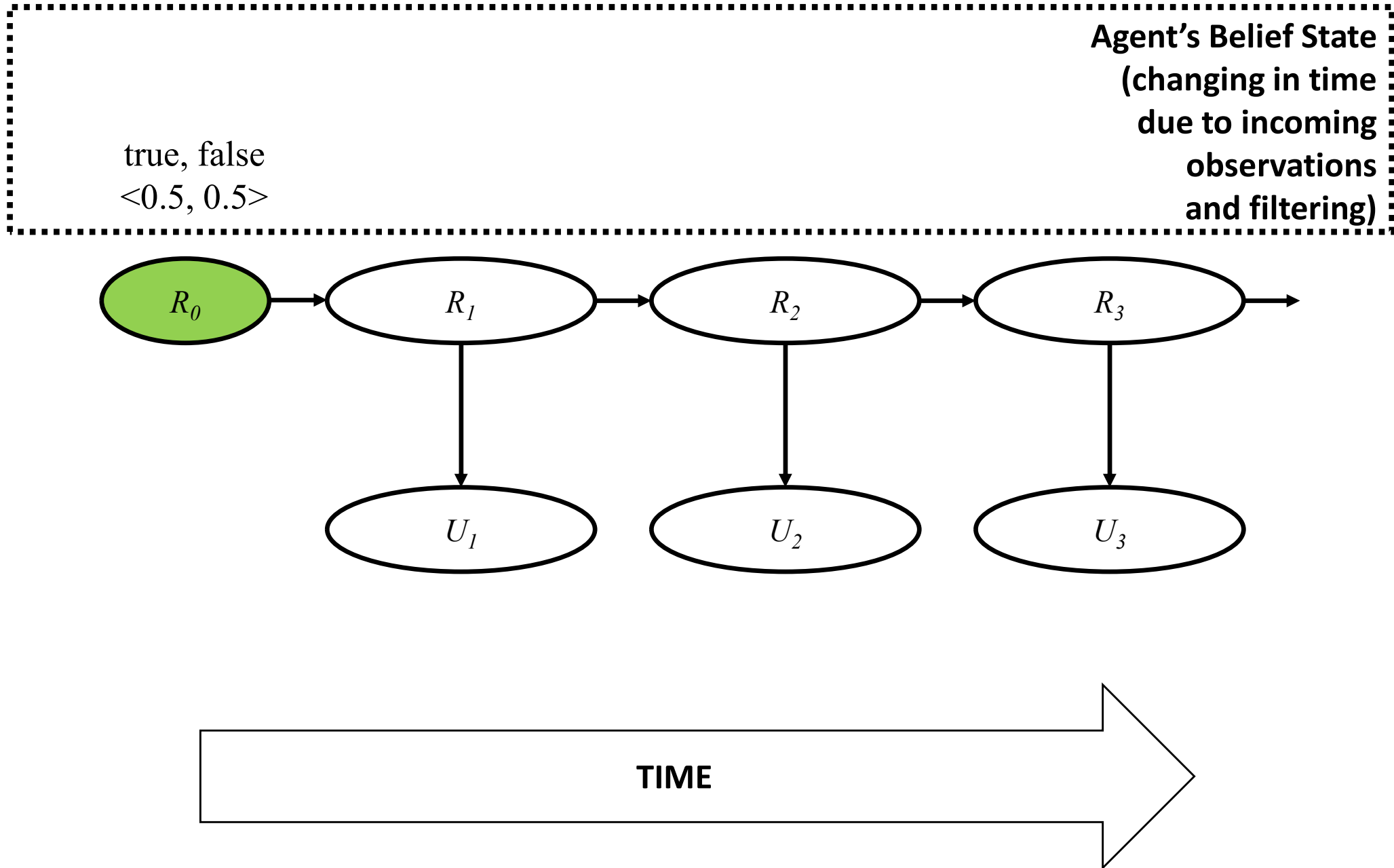
$$P(R_2 \mid \mathbf{u}_{1:2}) = \alpha * \langle 0.9, 0.1 \rangle * \langle 0.66, 0.34 \rangle \approx \langle 0.946, 0.054 \rangle$$

# Inference in Temporal Model: Example

Agent's Belief State  
(changing in time  
due to incoming  
observations  
and filtering)

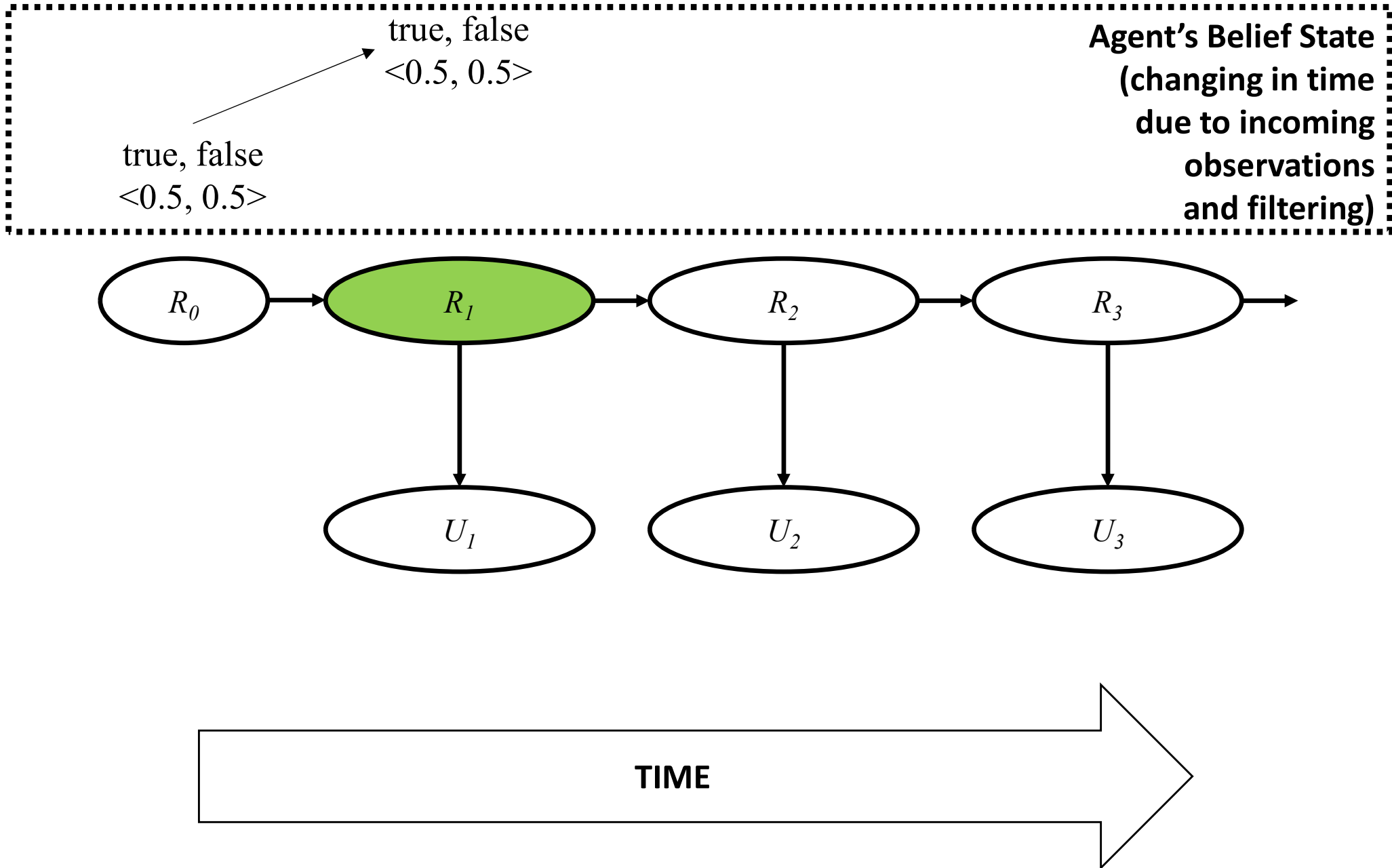


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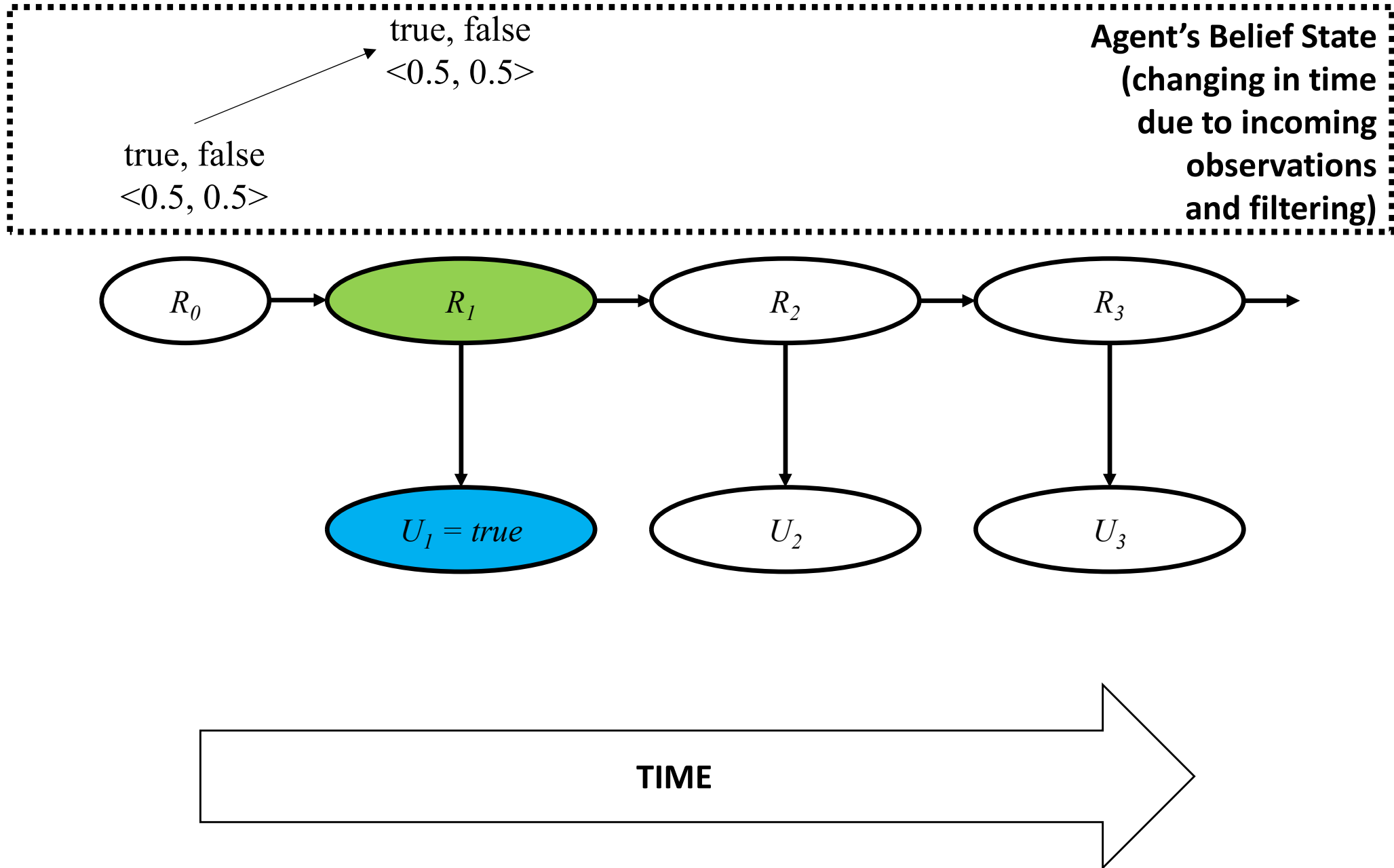




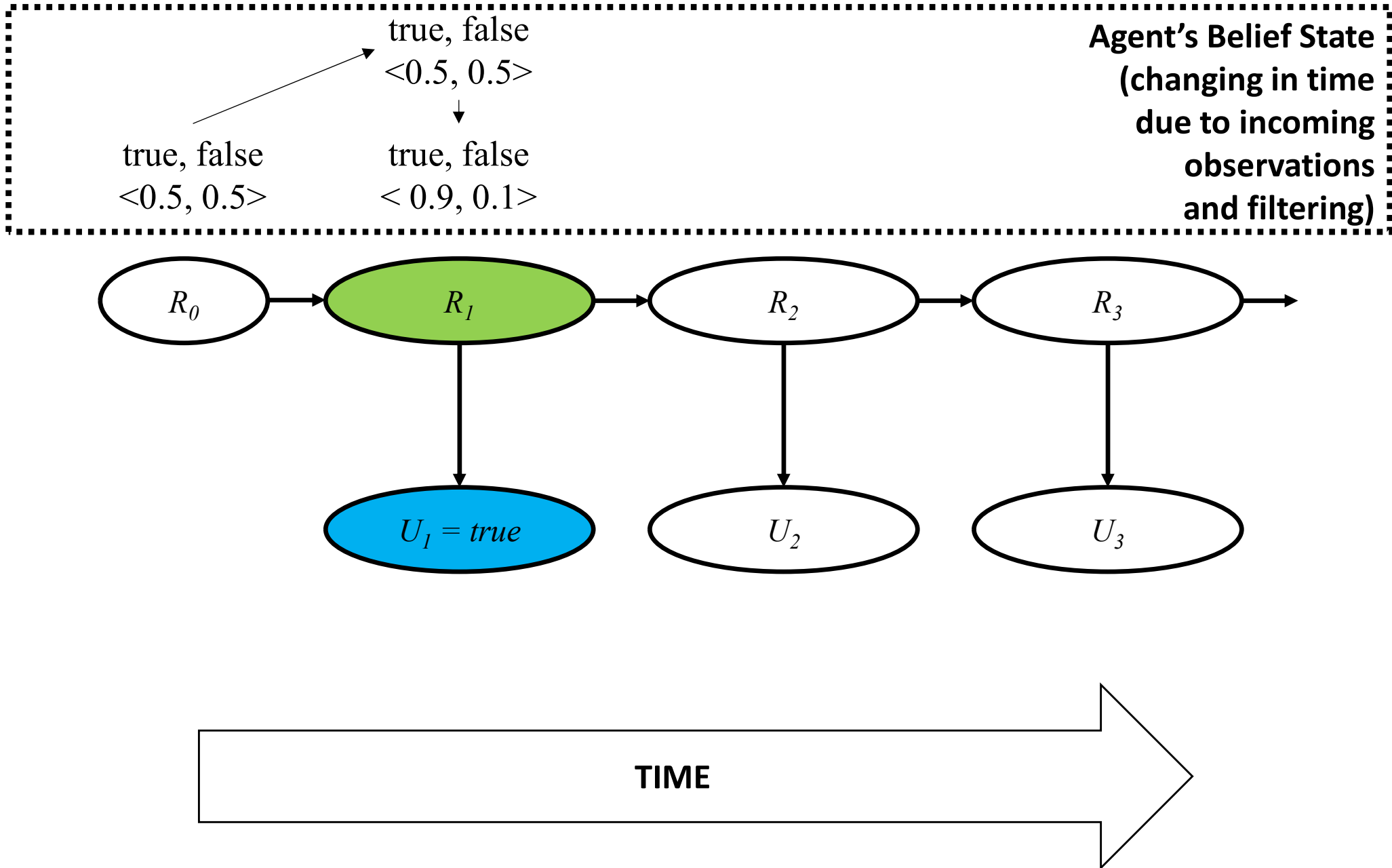
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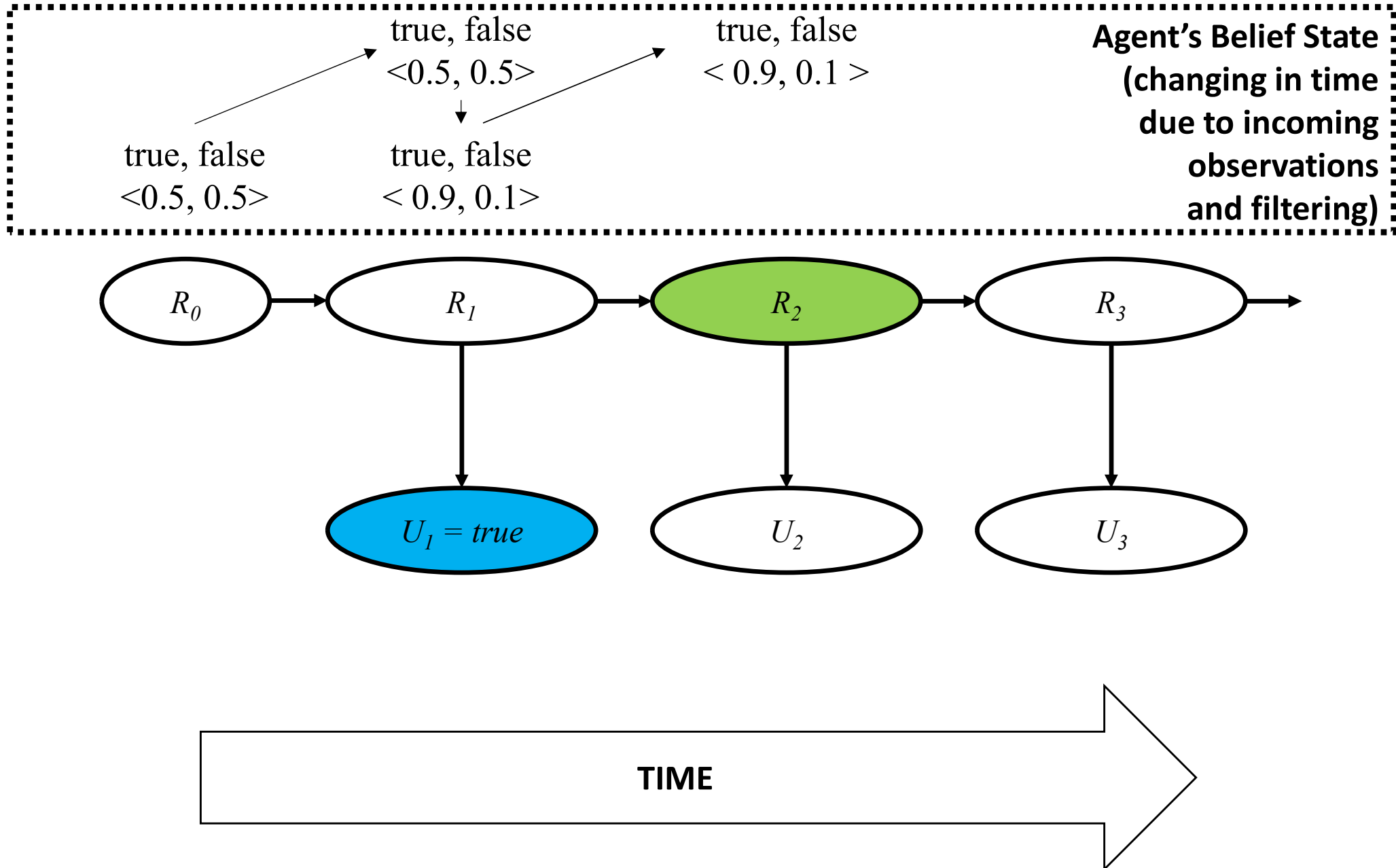
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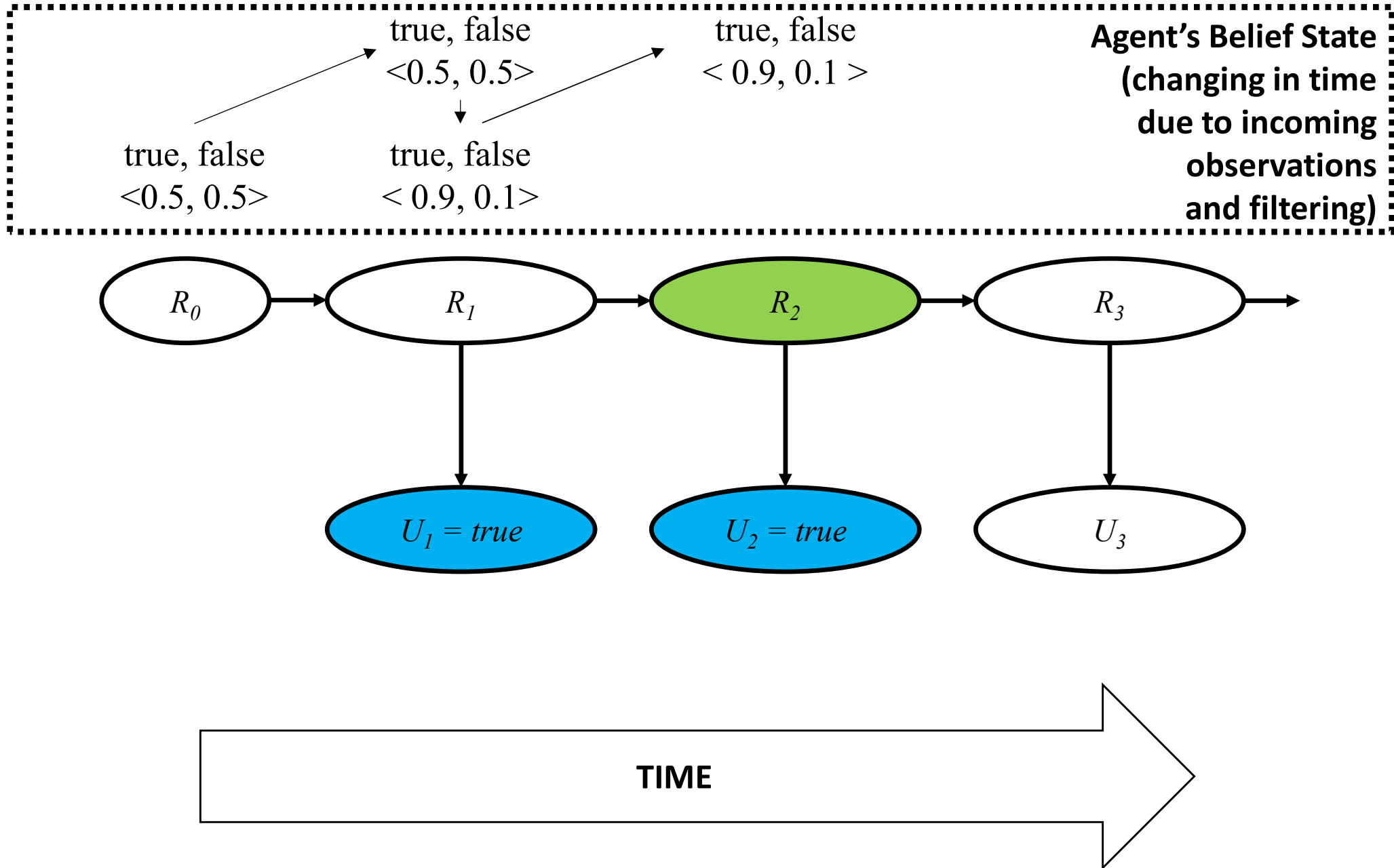
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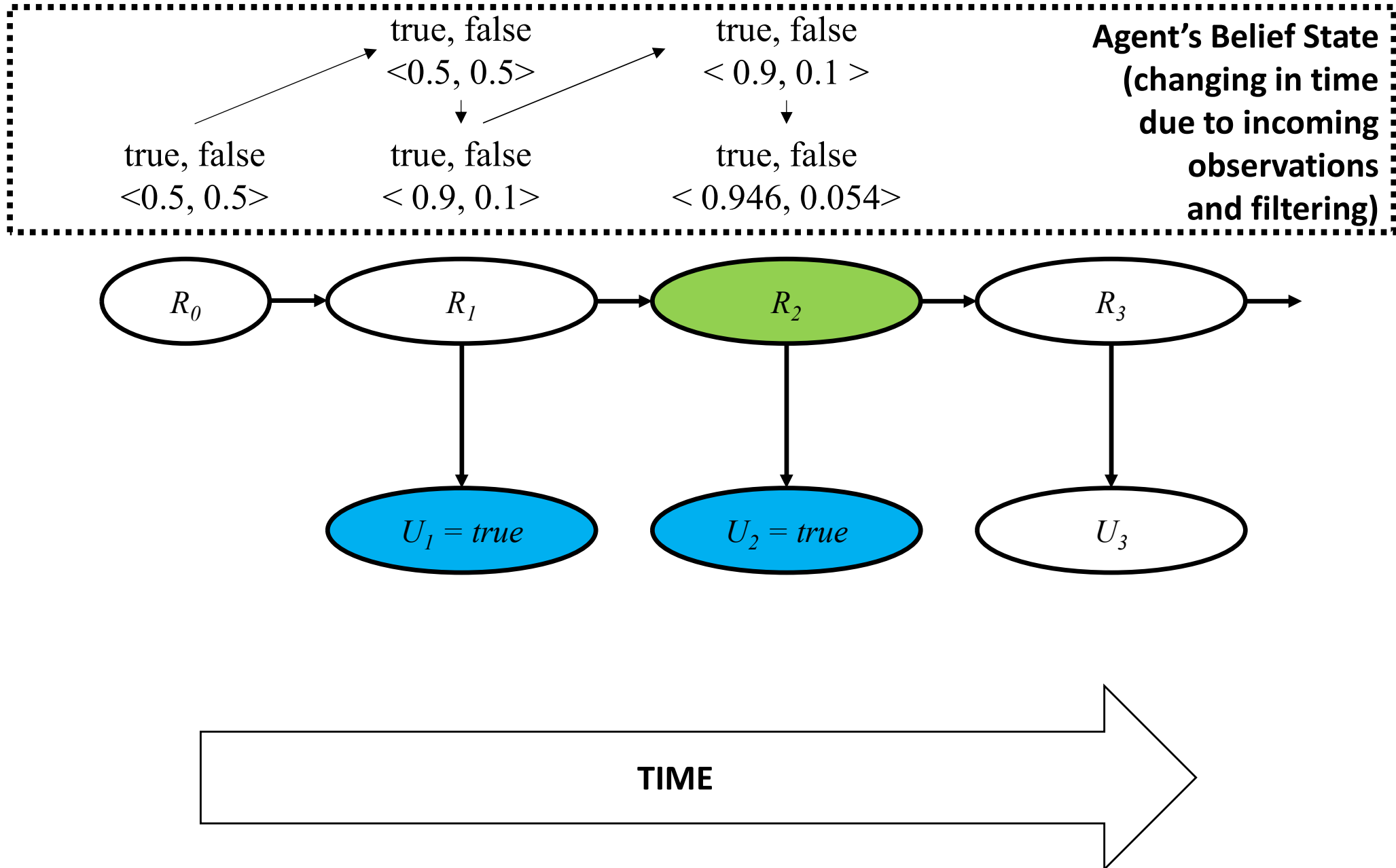
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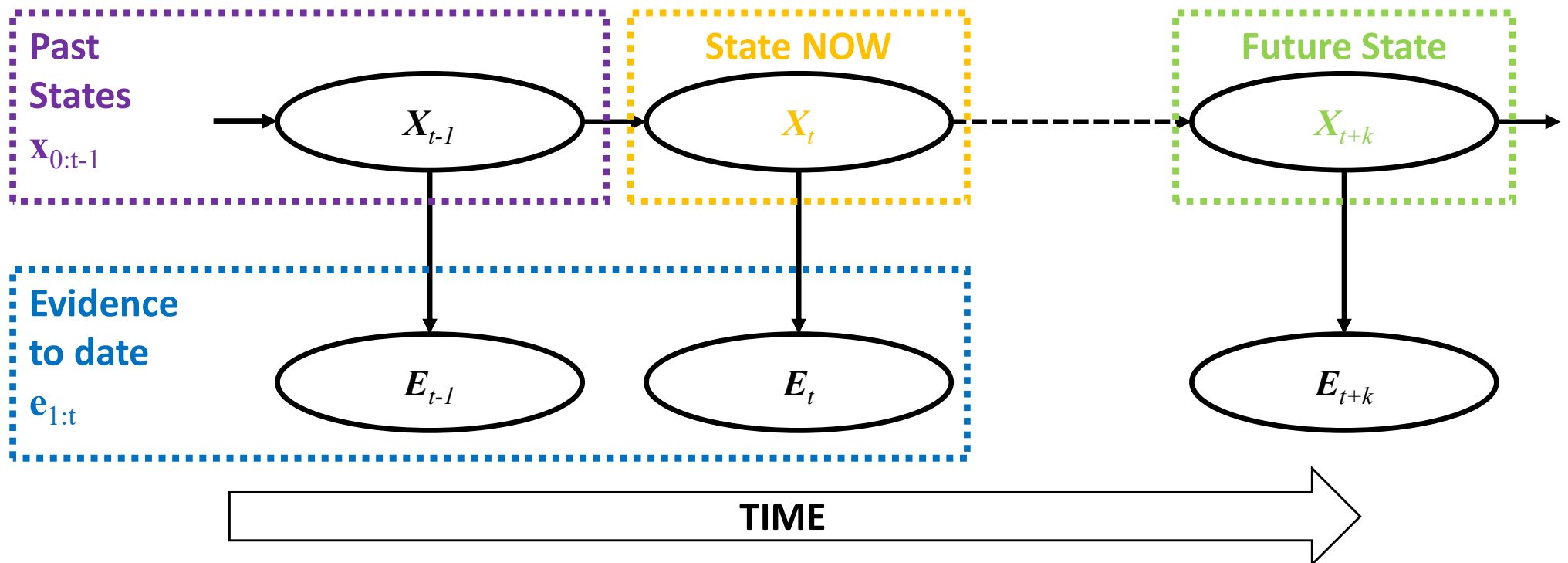


# Prediction

# Inference: Prediction

This is the task of computing the posterior distribution over the **future state** (time  $t+k$ , for some  $k > 0$ ), **given all evidence to date**.  
Useful for evaluating possible courses of action.

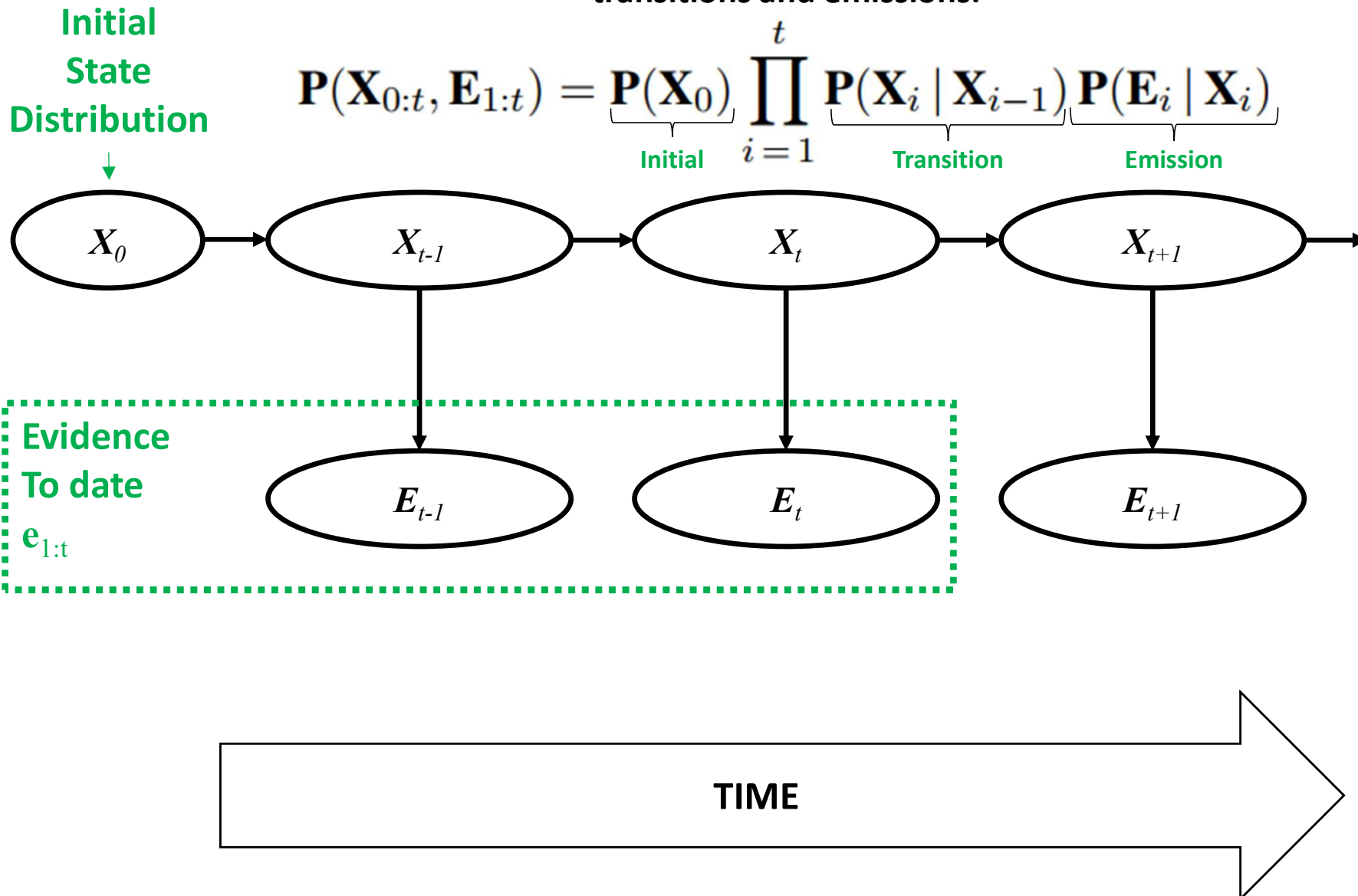
$$P(X_{t+k} \mid e_{1:t})$$





# What Is Known?

The complete (including initial state distribution | for any  $t$ ) joint probability distribution for a sequence of transitions and emissions:



# Filtering / Recursive Estimation

Evidence can be separated:  $e_{1:t+1} = e_{1:t}, e_{t+1}$

$$P(X_{t+1} \mid e_{1:t+1}) = P(X_{t+1} \mid e_{1:t}, e_{t+1})$$

Applying Bayes Rule yields:

$$P(X_{t+1} \mid e_{1:t}, e_{t+1}) = \alpha * P(e_{t+1} \mid X_{t+1}, e_{1:t}) * P(X_{t+1} \mid e_{1:t})$$

Recall the Markov assumption for the sensor model (emission):

$$P(X_{t+1} \mid e_{1:t}, e_{t+1}) = \alpha * \underbrace{P(e_{t+1} \mid X_{t+1})}_{\text{update}} * \underbrace{P(X_{t+1} \mid e_{1:t})}_{\text{prediction}}$$


$$P(X_{t+k} \mid e_{1:t})$$

Prediction

# Prediction: Future State Estimate

Prediction = filtering **WITHOUT** adding new evidence (**UPDATE**):

$$P(X_{t+k+1} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t}) = * \sum_{x_{t+k}} \underbrace{P(X_{t+k+1} \mid x_{t+k})}_{\text{Transition model}} * \underbrace{P(x_{t+k} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t})}_{\text{Recursion}}$$

**KNOWN** model of the World / Environment      **KNOWN** Previous State Estimate

This is a recursive (estimation) relationship:

$$P(X_{t+k+1} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t}) = f(P(X_{t+k} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t}))$$

New state estimate depends only (can be updated based) on previous state estimate.

# Likelihood of Evidence Sequence

Likelihood of **evidence sequence** (useful in comparing temporal models):

$$P(\mathbf{e}_{1:t})$$

We can think of another “message” (likelihood message) here,  $l_{1:t}$ . A message propagated forward along the sequence. The process is given by:

$$l_{1:t} = FORWARD(l_{1:t-1}, \mathbf{e}_t)$$

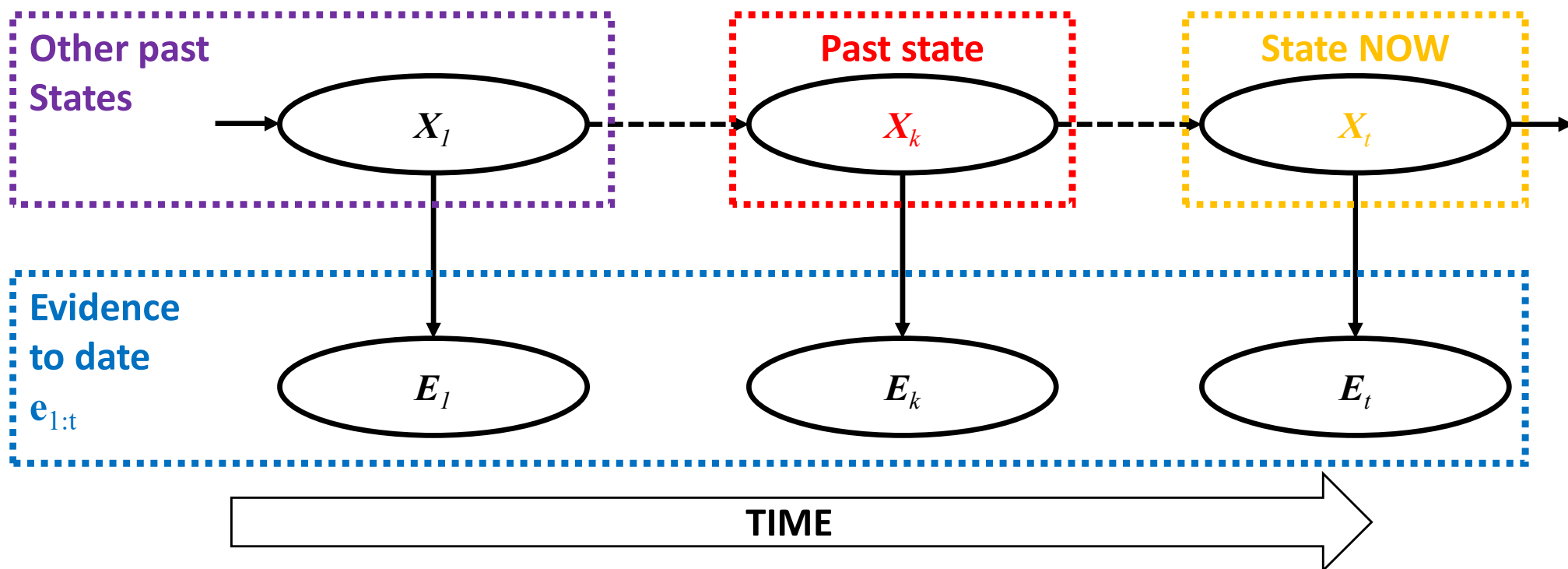
$$f_{1:t} = P(\mathbf{e}_{1:t}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_t} l_{1:t}(\mathbf{x}_t)$$

# Smoothing

# Inference: Smoothing

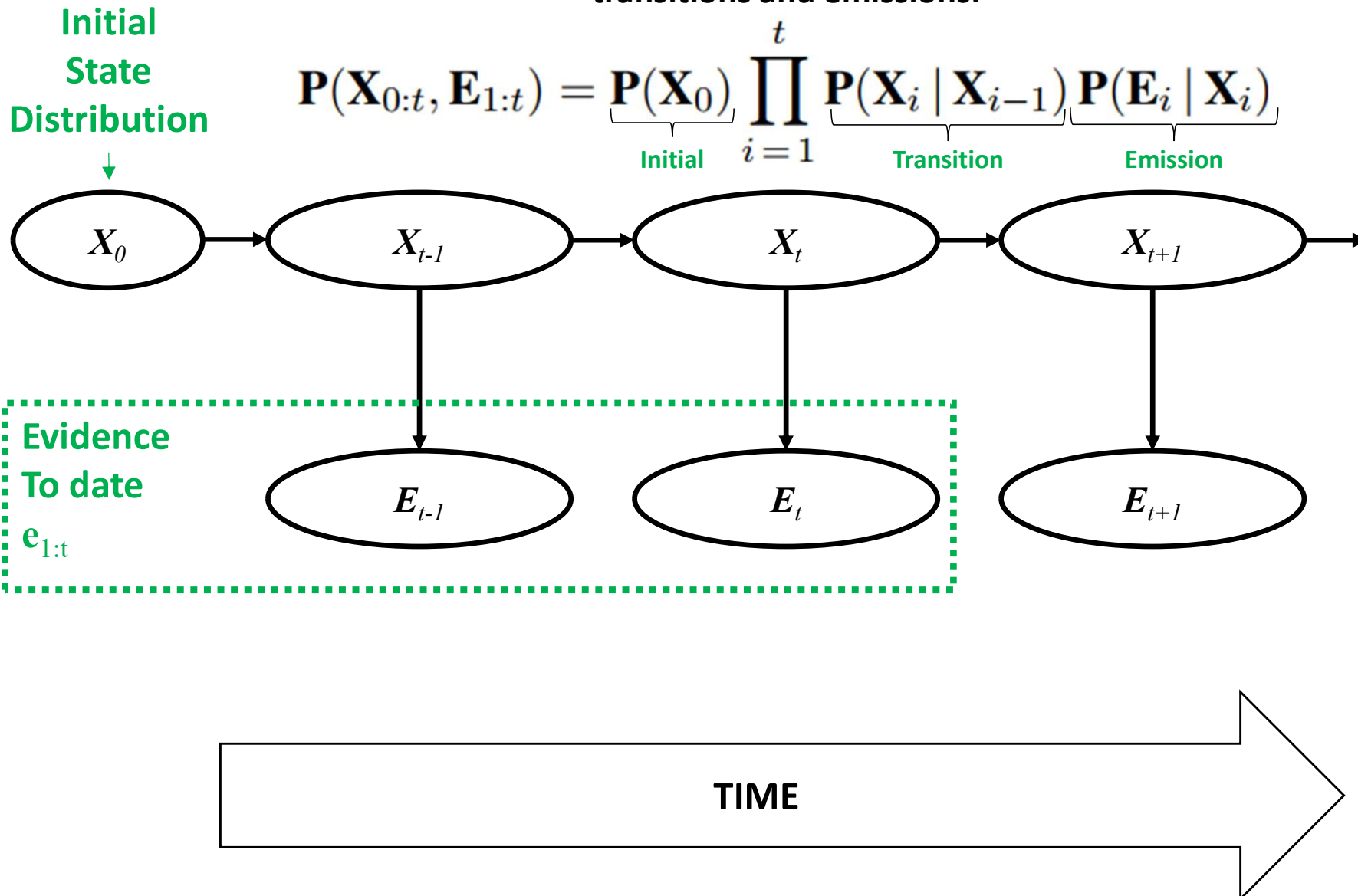
This is the task of computing the posterior distribution over the **past state** (time  $k$ , for some  $0 \leq k < t$ ), **given all evidence to date**. Provides a better state estimate of, because it incorporates more evidence.

$$P(\mathbf{X}_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$$

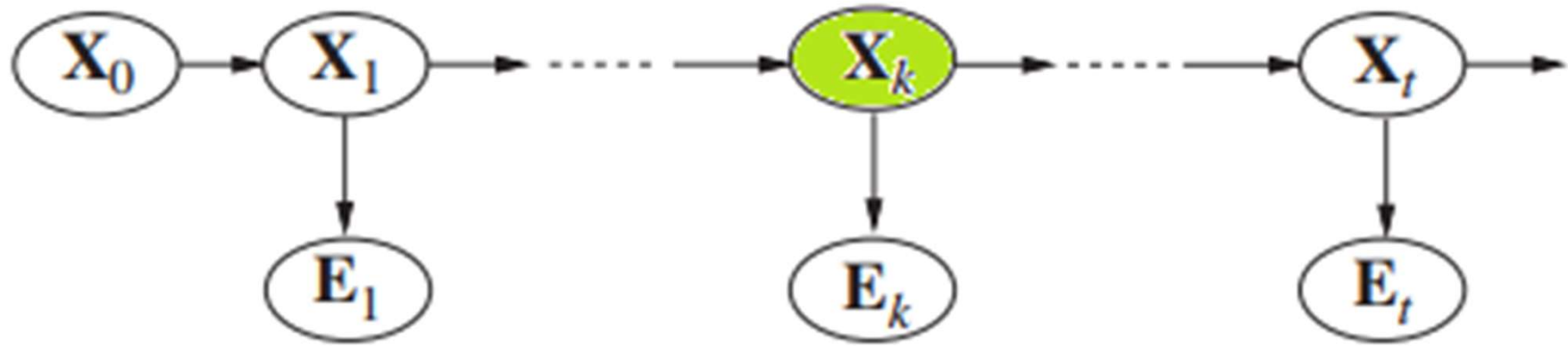


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# Smoothing / Recursive Estimation



This time we are after:

$$P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$$

Evidence can be separated:  $\mathbf{e}_{1:t} = \mathbf{e}_{1:k}, \mathbf{e}_{k+1:t}$

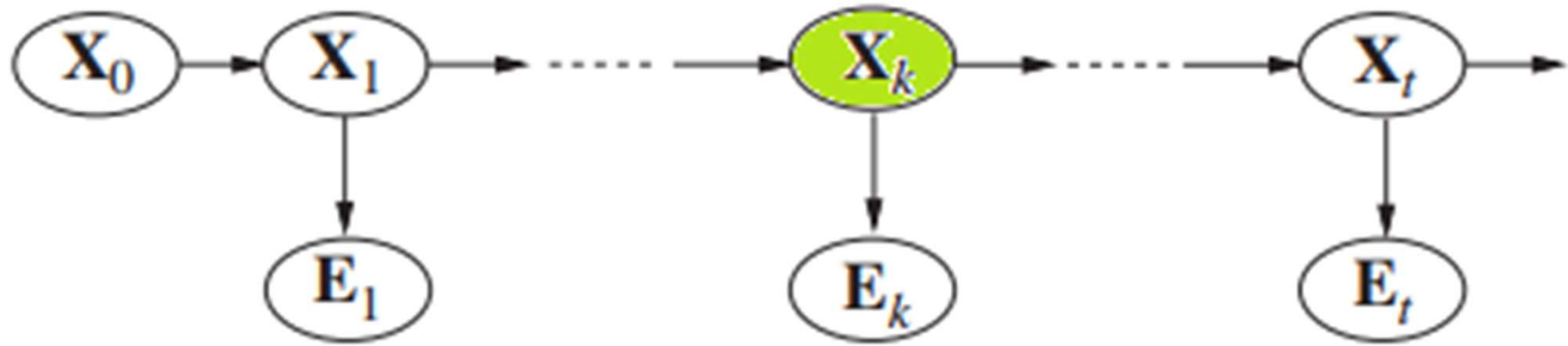
$$P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t}) = P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:k}, \mathbf{e}_{k+1:t})$$

Applying Bayes Rule yields: Normalizing constant

$$P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:k}, \mathbf{e}_{k+1:t}) = \alpha * P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:k}) * P(\mathbf{e}_{k+1:t} \mid X_k, \mathbf{e}_{1:k})$$



# Smoothing / Recursive Estimation



From previous slide:

$$P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:k}, \mathbf{e}_{k+1:t}) = \alpha * P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:k}) * P(\mathbf{e}_{k+1:t} \mid X_k, \mathbf{e}_{1:k})$$

After applying conditional independence:

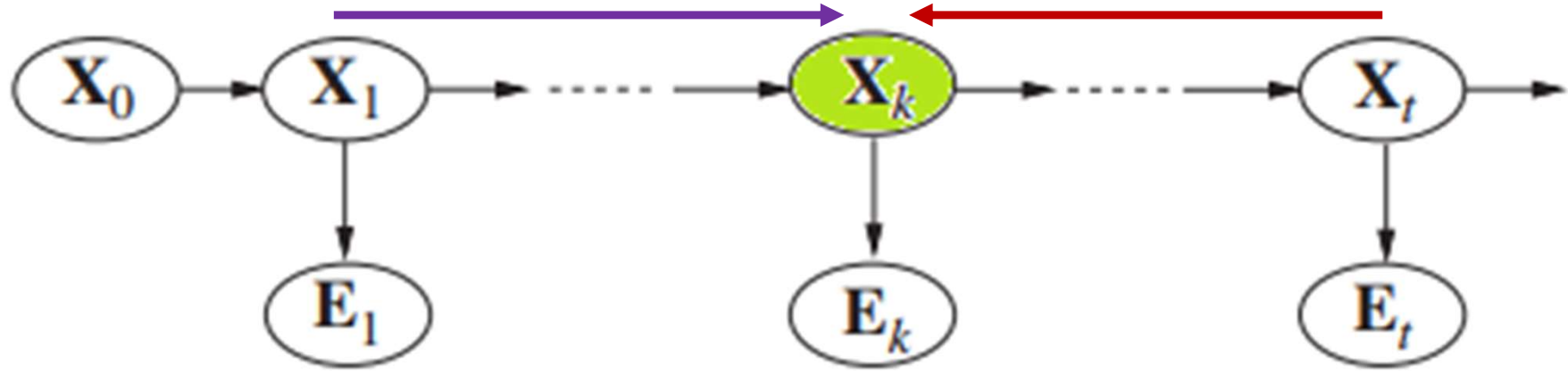
$$P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:k}, \mathbf{e}_{k+1:t}) = \alpha * P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:k}) * P(\mathbf{e}_{k+1:t} \mid X_k)$$

Let's express it in terms of messages (“forward” and “backward”):

$$P(X_k \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:k}, \mathbf{e}_{k+1:t}) = \alpha * \mathbf{f}_{1:k} \times \mathbf{b}_{k+1:t}$$

$\times$  : Pointwise  
vector  
multiplication

# Smoothing / Recursive Estimation



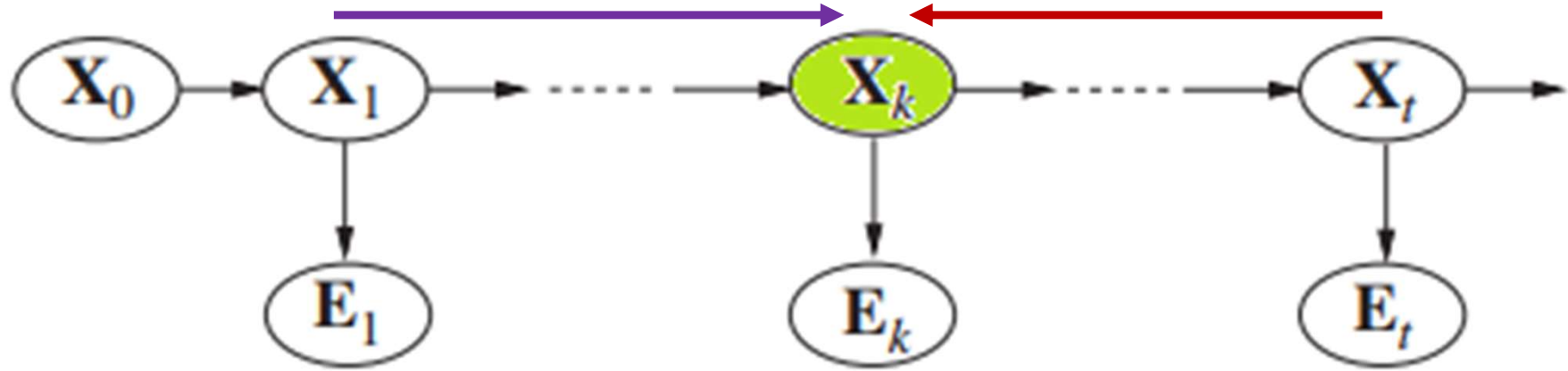
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where:

$$\mathbf{b}_{k+1:t} = P(\mathbf{e}_{k+1:t} \mid X_k)$$

# Smoothing / Recursive Estimation



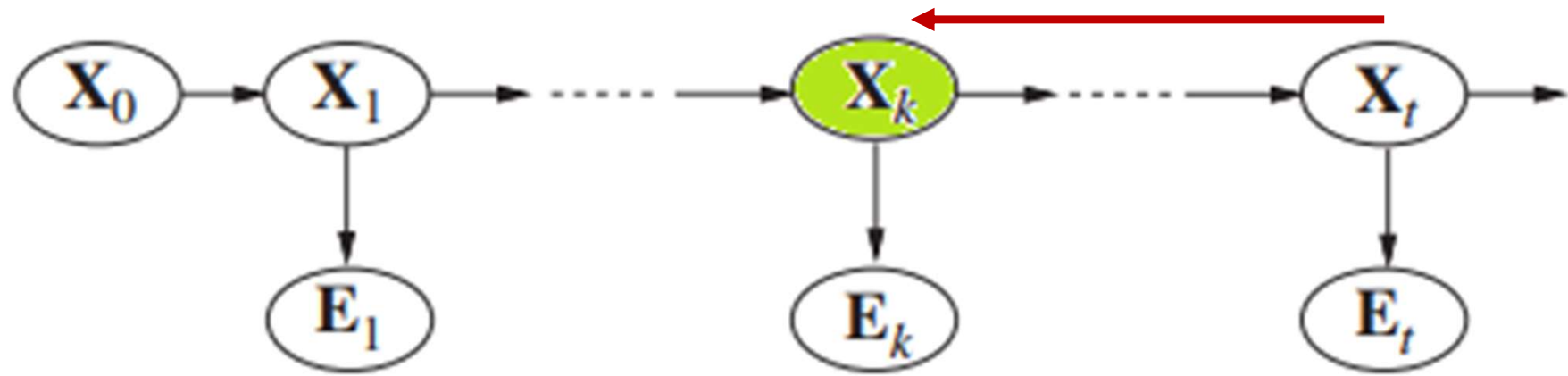
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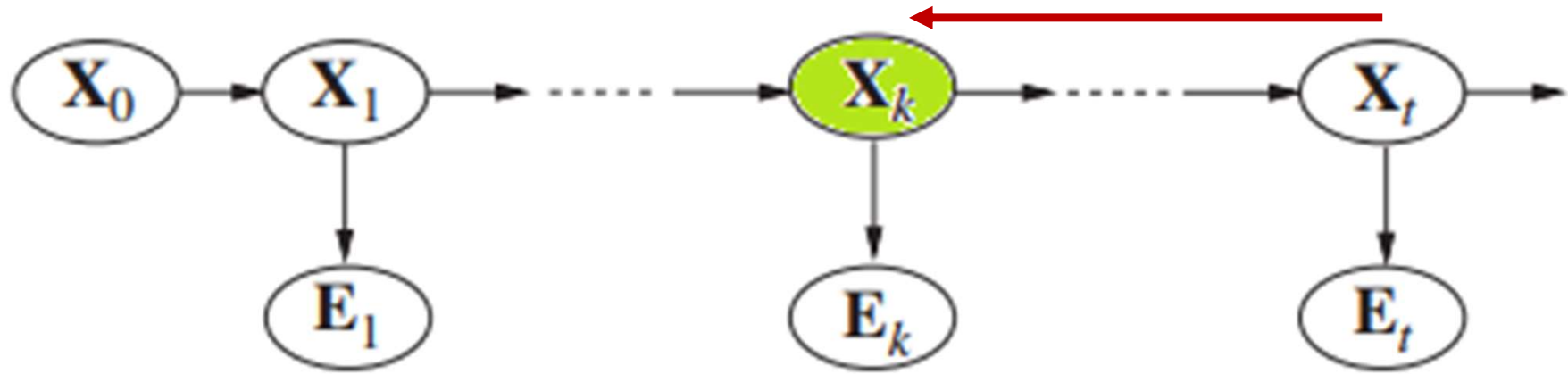
# Smoothing / Recursive Estimation



**“backward”** message:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{e}_{k+1:t} \mid \mathbf{X}_k) &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}_{k+1}} \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{e}_{k+1:t} \mid \mathbf{X}_k, \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} \mid \mathbf{X}_k) \quad (\text{conditioning on } \mathbf{X}_{k+1}) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}_{k+1}} P(\mathbf{e}_{k+1:t} \mid \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} \mid \mathbf{X}_k) \quad (\text{by conditional independence}) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}_{k+1}} P(\mathbf{e}_{k+1}, \mathbf{e}_{k+2:t} \mid \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} \mid \mathbf{X}_k) \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}_{k+1}} P(\mathbf{e}_{k+1} \mid \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) P(\mathbf{e}_{k+2:t} \mid \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} \mid \mathbf{X}_k), \end{aligned}$$

# Smoothing / Recursive Estimation



“backward” message recursive relationship:

$$\mathbf{b}_{k+1:t} = \text{BACKWARD}(\mathbf{b}_{k+2:t}, \mathbf{e}_{k+1})$$

# Forward-Backward Algorithm

**function** FORWARD-BACKWARD( $\mathbf{ev}, prior$ ) **returns** a vector of probability distributions

**inputs:**  $\mathbf{ev}$ , a vector of evidence values for steps  $1, \dots, t$

$prior$ , the prior distribution on the initial state,  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_0)$

**local variables:**  $\mathbf{fv}$ , a vector of forward messages for steps  $0, \dots, t$

$\mathbf{b}$ , a representation of the backward message, initially all 1s

$\mathbf{sv}$ , a vector of smoothed estimates for steps  $1, \dots, t$

$\mathbf{fv}[0] \leftarrow prior$

**for**  $i = 1$  **to**  $t$  **do**

$\mathbf{fv}[i] \leftarrow \text{FORWARD}(\mathbf{fv}[i - 1], \mathbf{ev}[i])$

**for**  $i = t$  **downto**  $1$  **do**

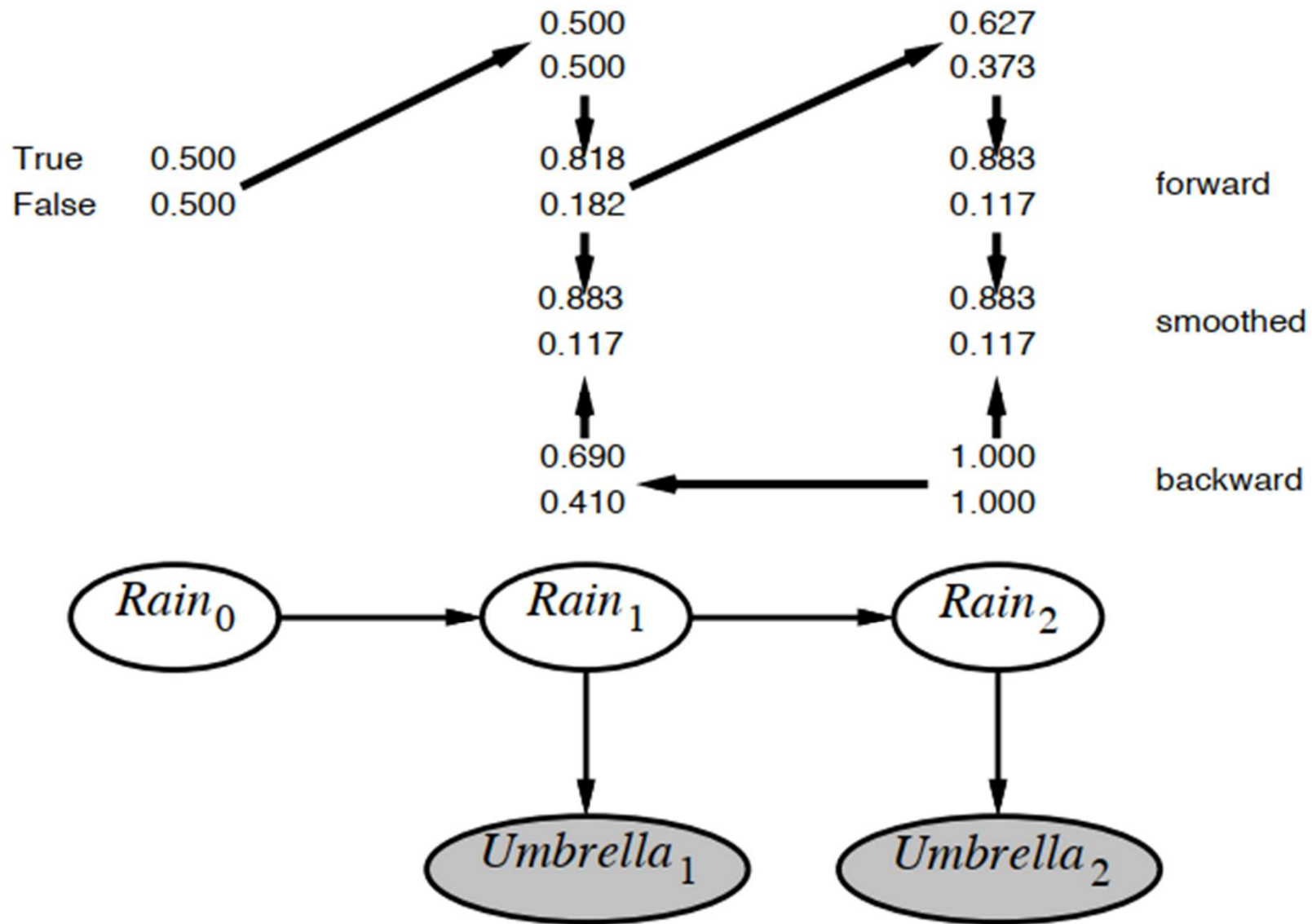
$\mathbf{sv}[i] \leftarrow \text{NORMALIZE}(\mathbf{fv}[i] \times \mathbf{b})$

$\mathbf{b} \leftarrow \text{BACKWARD}(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{ev}[i])$

**return**  $\mathbf{sv}$



# Smoothing: Example



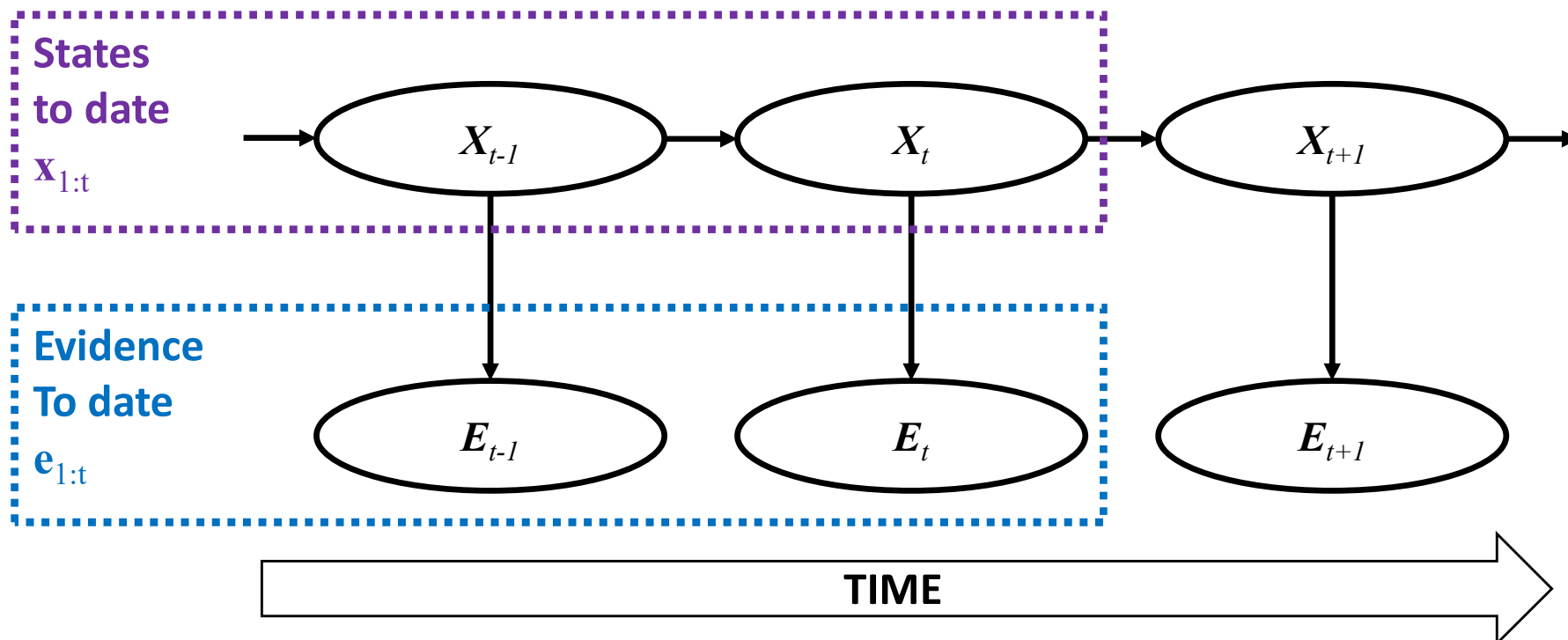
# **Most Likely Explanation Hidden Markov Model + Viterbi Algorithm**



# Inference: Most Likely Explanation

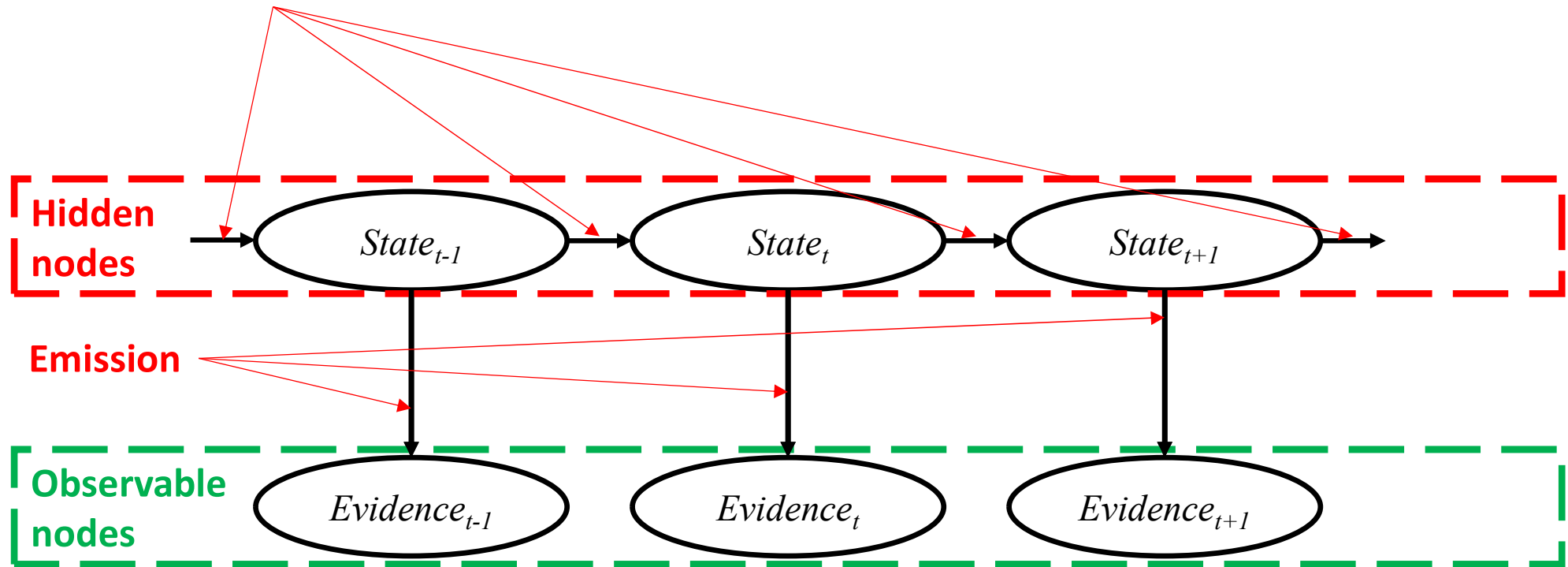
Given a **sequence of observations**, we might wish to find the **sequence of states** that is most likely to have generated those observations.

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{x}_{1:t}} P(\mathbf{x}_{1:t} \mid \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$$

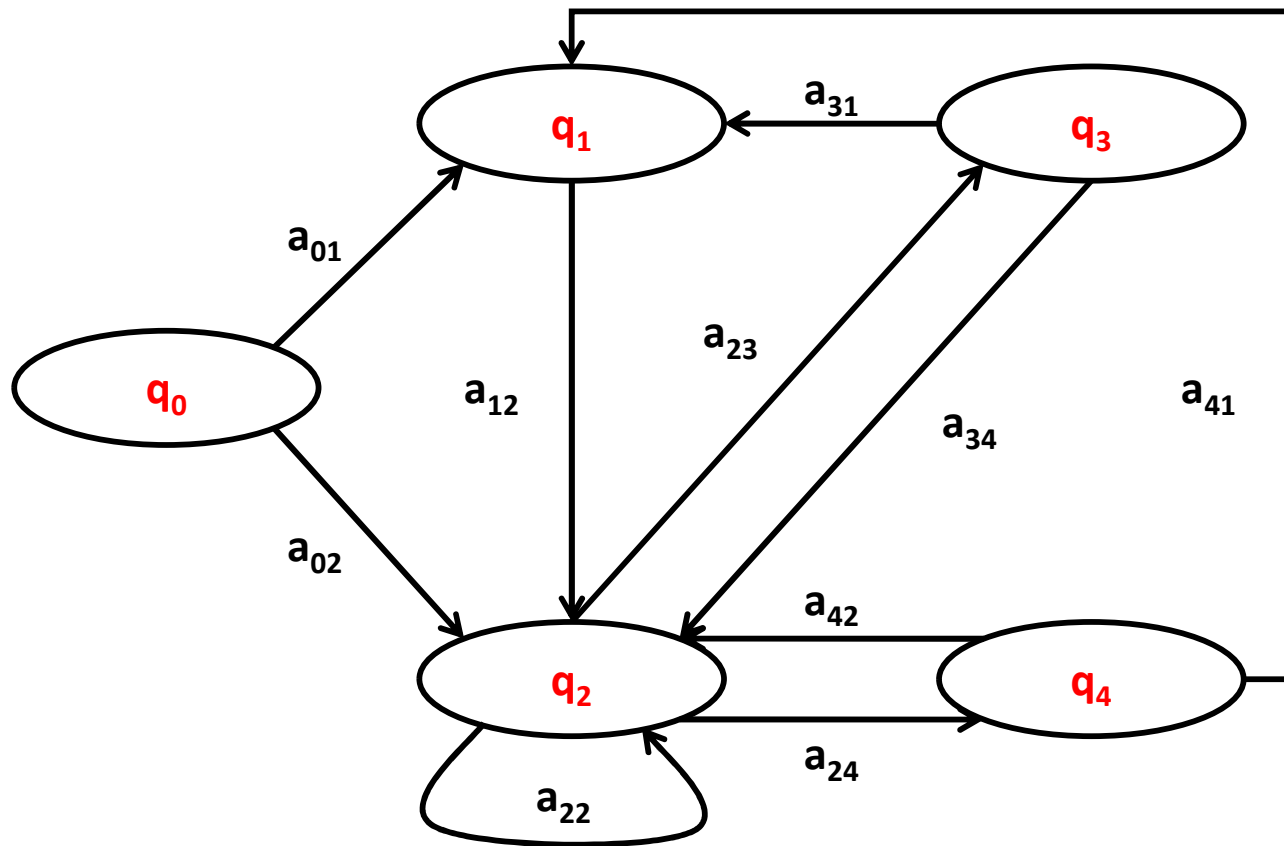


# Transition and Sensor Models

(Hidden State) Transition



# Hidden Markov Model



HMMs are specified with:

- A set of **N** states:  
 $Q = \{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N\}$
- A **transition probability** matrix **A**, where each  $a_{i,j}$  represents the probability of moving from **state  $q_i$**  to **state  $q_j$**
- A sequence of **T** **observations** **O**:  
 $O = o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T$
- A sequence of **observation likelihoods (emission probabilities)**: probability of **observation  $o_t$**  being generated by a **state  $q_i$** :

$$B = b_i(o_t)$$

- Special start (<s>) and end (final: not here) states

**$q_0$**  and  **$q_F$**

Transition probability matrix A						
	q <sub>0</sub>	q <sub>1</sub>	q <sub>2</sub>	q <sub>3</sub>	q <sub>4</sub>	Notes
q <sub>0</sub>	a <sub>0,0</sub>	a <sub>0,1</sub>	a <sub>0,2</sub>	a <sub>0,3</sub>	a <sub>0,4</sub>	row sum = 1
q <sub>1</sub>	a <sub>1,0</sub>	a <sub>1,1</sub>	a <sub>1,2</sub>	a <sub>1,3</sub>	a <sub>1,4</sub>	row sum = 1
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q <sub>4</sub>	a <sub>4,0</sub>	a <sub>4,1</sub>	a <sub>4,2</sub>	a <sub>4,3</sub>	a <sub>4,4</sub>	row sum = 1

# Hidden Markov Models: Decoding

The task of **determining which sequence of variables is the underlying source of some sequence of observations** is called the **decoding**:

*Given as input an HMM  $\alpha = (A, B)$  and a sequence of observations  $o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T$  find the most probable sequence of states  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_T$ .*

or in our case:

*Given as input an HMM  $\alpha = (A, B)$  and a sequence of **words**  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_T$  find the most probable sequence of **tags/states**  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_T$ .*

**A** - transition probabilities matrix

**B** - emission probabilities matrix

# Viterbi Algorithm: Pseudocode

**function** VITERBI(*observations* of len  $T$ , *state-graph* of len  $N$ ) **returns** *best-path*, *path-prob*

create a path probability matrix  $viterbi[N, T]$

**for** each state  $s$  **from** 1 **to**  $N$  **do** ; initialization step

$viterbi[s, 1] \leftarrow \pi_s * b_s(o_1)$

$backpointer[s, 1] \leftarrow 0$

**for** each time step  $t$  **from** 2 **to**  $T$  **do** ; recursion step

**for** each state  $s$  **from** 1 **to**  $N$  **do**

$viterbi[s, t] \leftarrow \max_{s'=1}^N viterbi[s', t-1] * a_{s', s} * b_s(o_t)$

$backpointer[s, t] \leftarrow \operatorname{argmax}_{s'=1}^N viterbi[s', t-1] * a_{s', s} * b_s(o_t)$

$bestpathprob \leftarrow \max_{s=1}^N viterbi[s, T]$  ; termination step

$bestpathpointer \leftarrow \operatorname{argmax}_{s=1}^N viterbi[s, T]$  ; termination step

$bestpath \leftarrow$  the path starting at state  $bestpathpointer$ , that follows  $backpointer[]$  to states back in time

**return**  $bestpath$ ,  $bestpathprob$

# Summary



# Inference: Tasks and Applications

Filtering:  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$

belief state—input to the decision process of a rational agent

Prediction:  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_{t+k} | \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$  for  $k > 0$

evaluation of possible action sequences;

like filtering without the evidence

Smoothing:  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_k | \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$  for  $0 \leq k < t$

better estimate of past states, essential for learning

Most likely explanation:  $\arg \max_{\mathbf{x}_{1:t}} P(\mathbf{x}_{1:t} | \mathbf{e}_{1:t})$

speech recognition, decoding with a noisy channel