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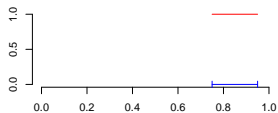
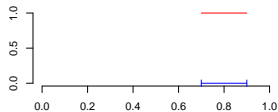
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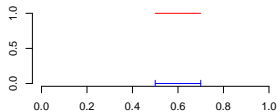
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# example with convex polytope of measures

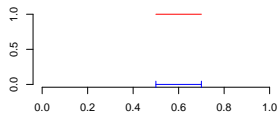
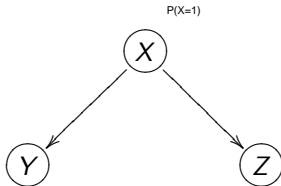
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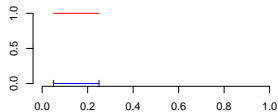
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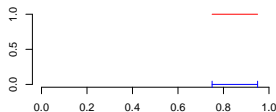
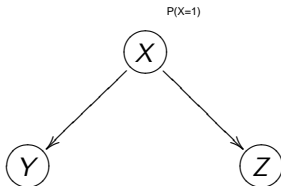
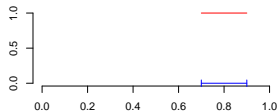
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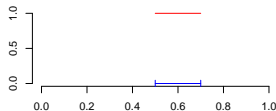
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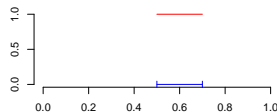
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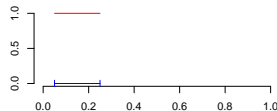
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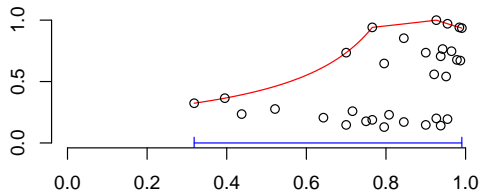


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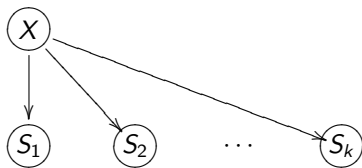


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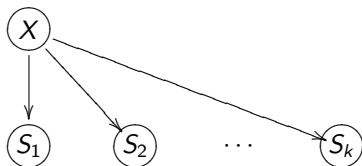
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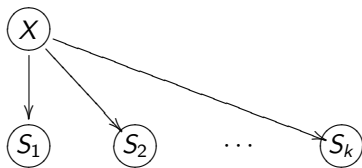
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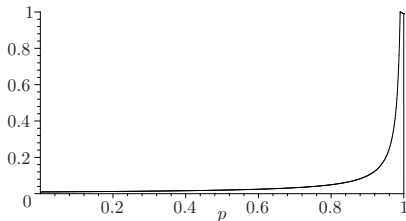
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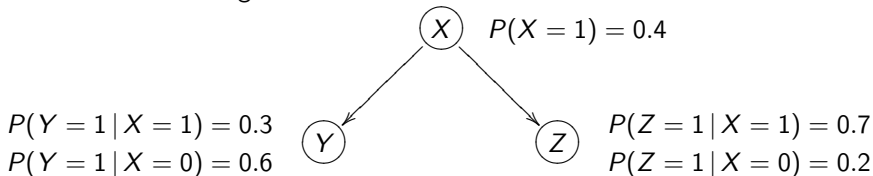
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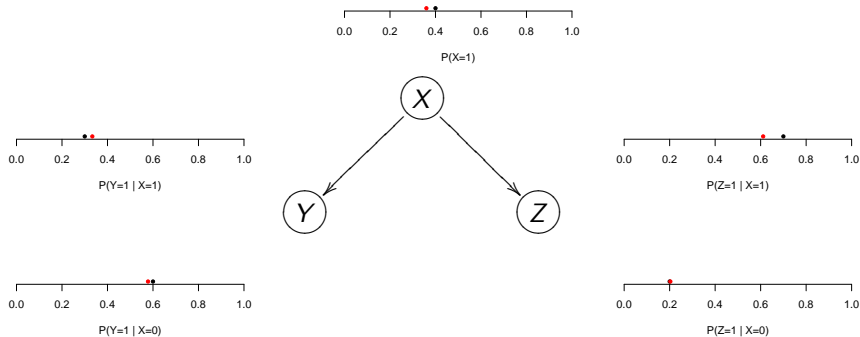
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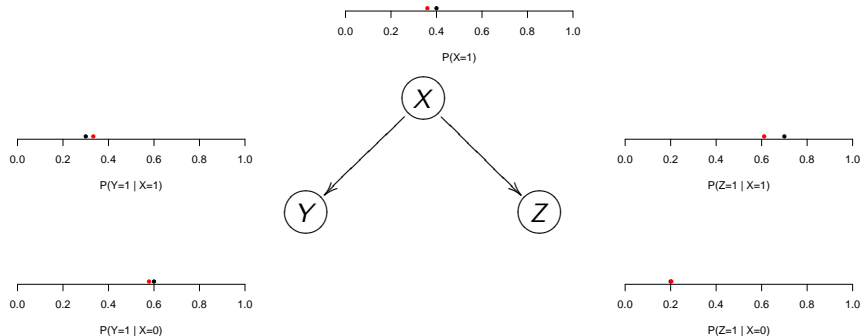
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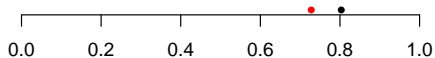
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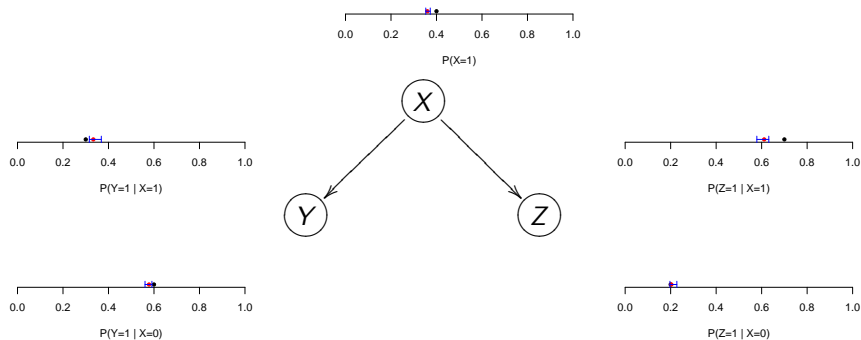
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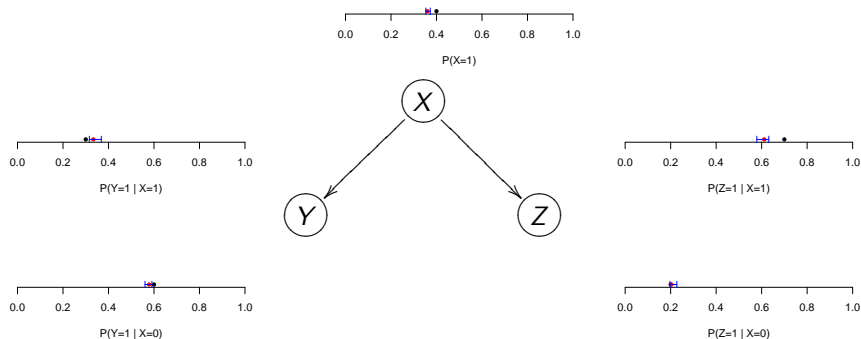
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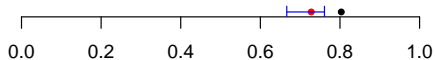
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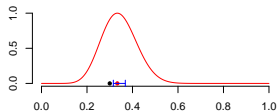
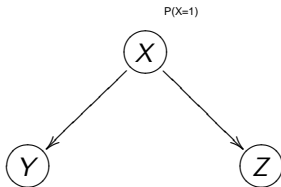
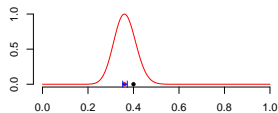
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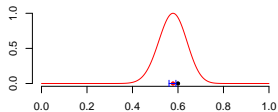
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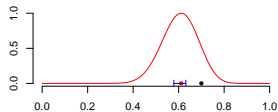
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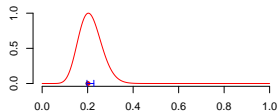
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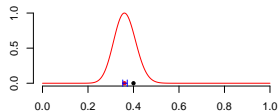


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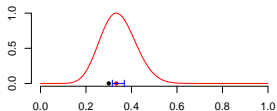
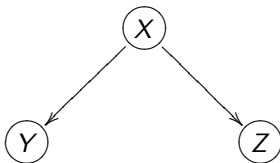


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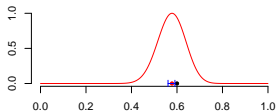
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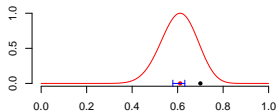
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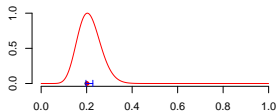
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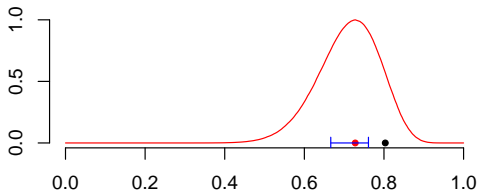


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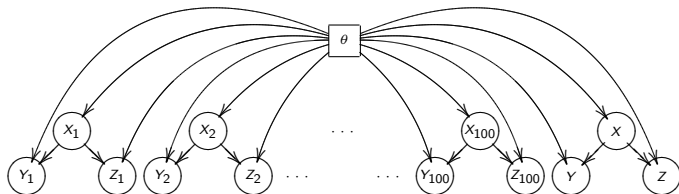
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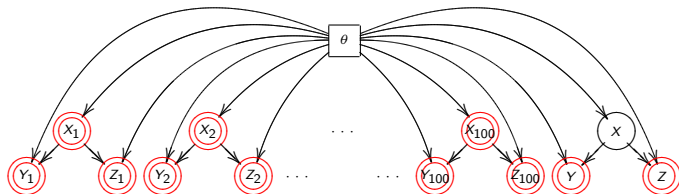


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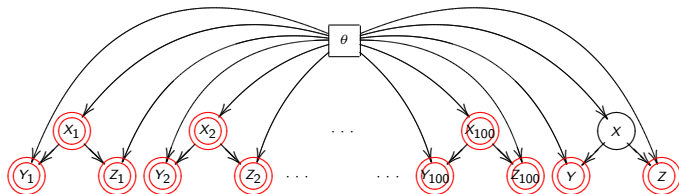
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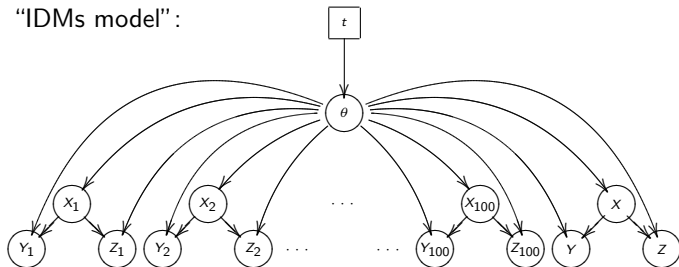
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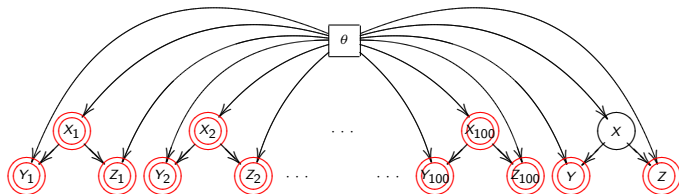
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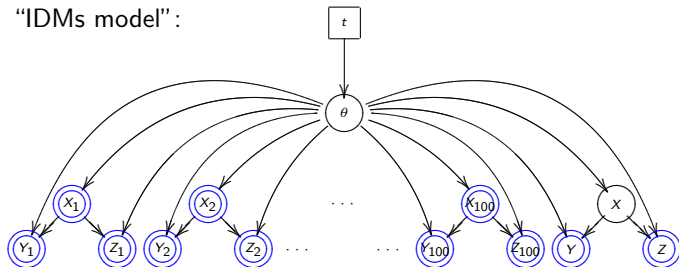
## global models



prior ignorance  
about  $\theta \in [0, 1]^5$

302 variables  
observed

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