

Fuzzy Relations

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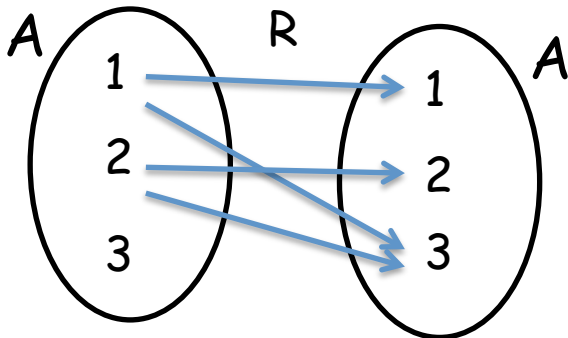
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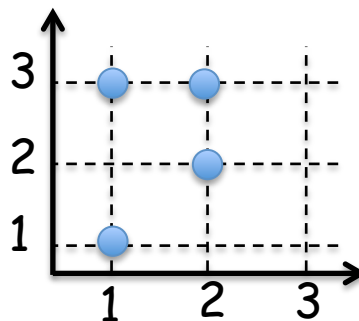
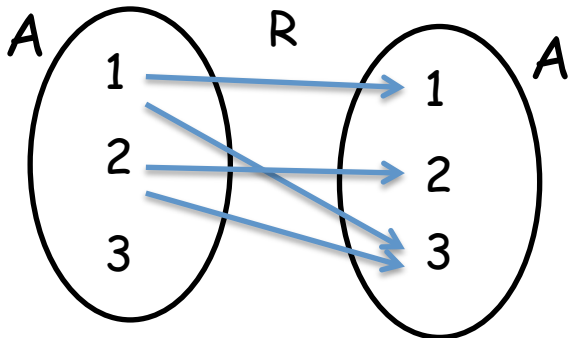
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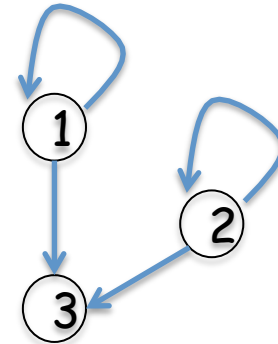
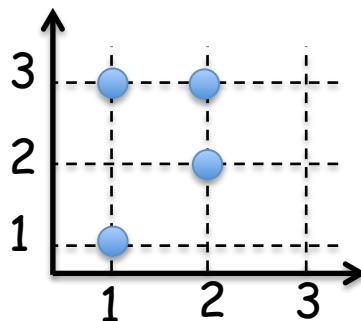
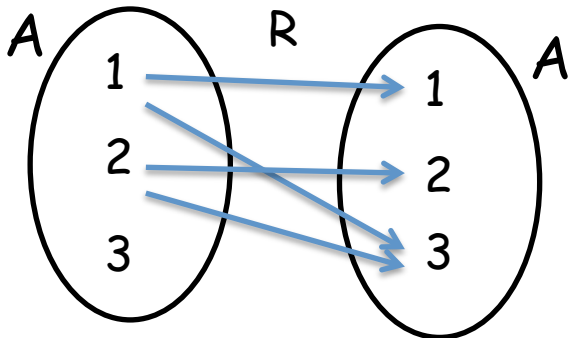
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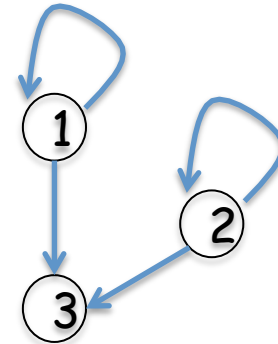
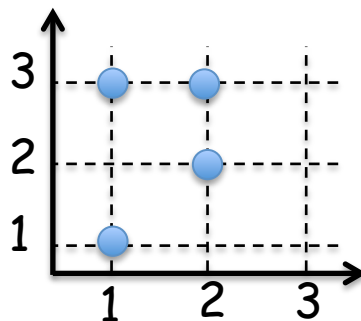
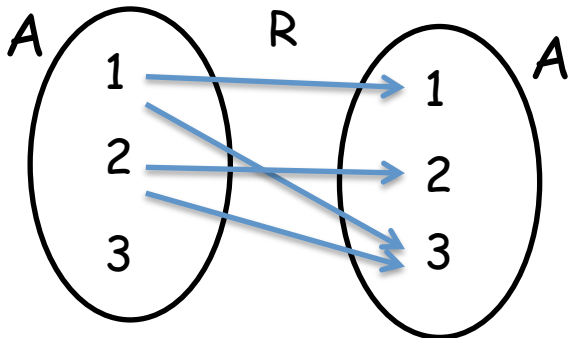
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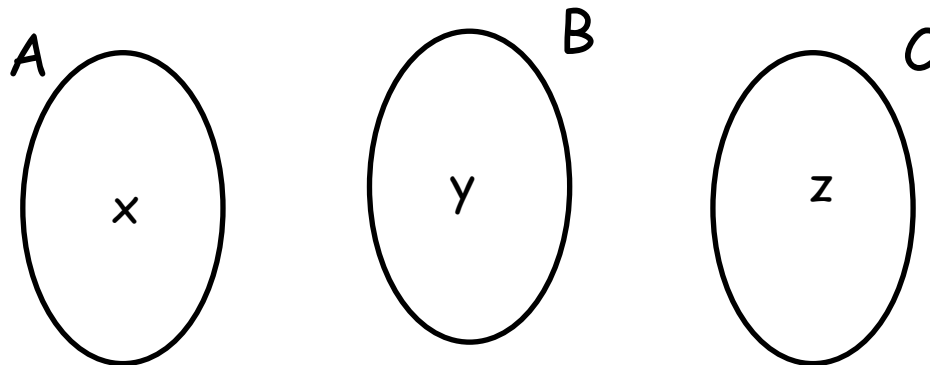
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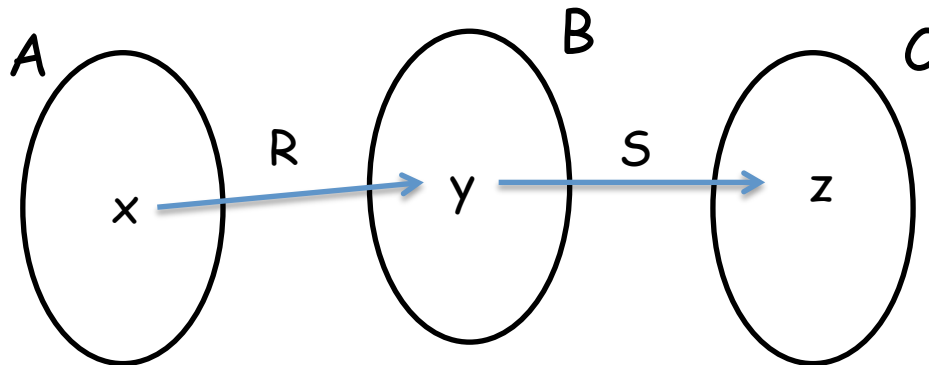


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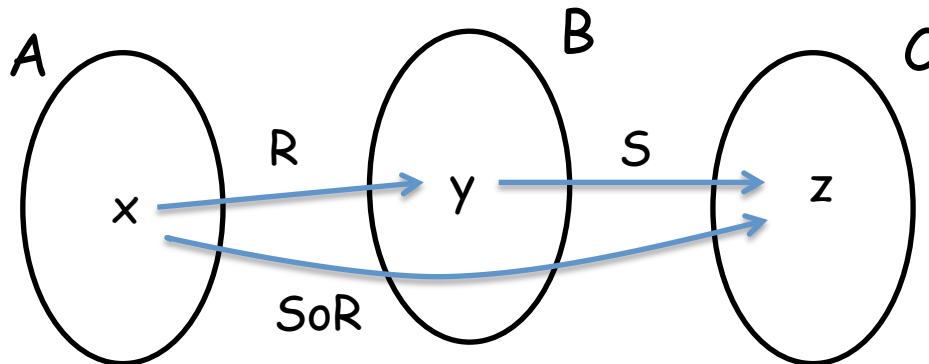


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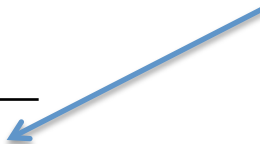
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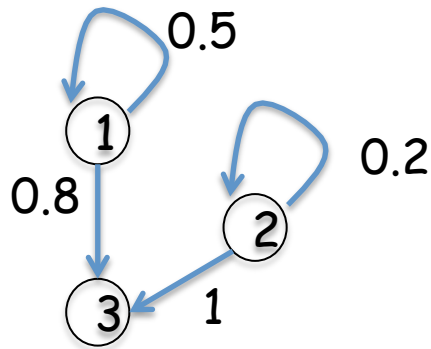
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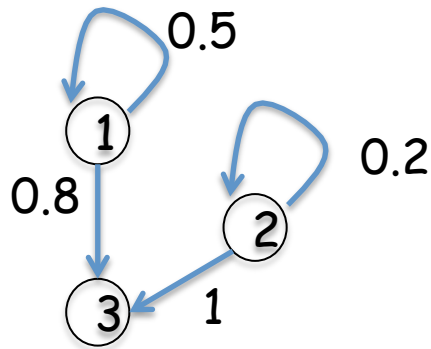
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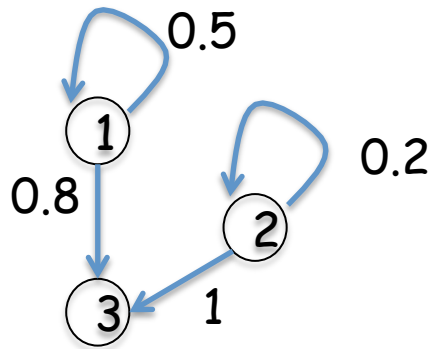
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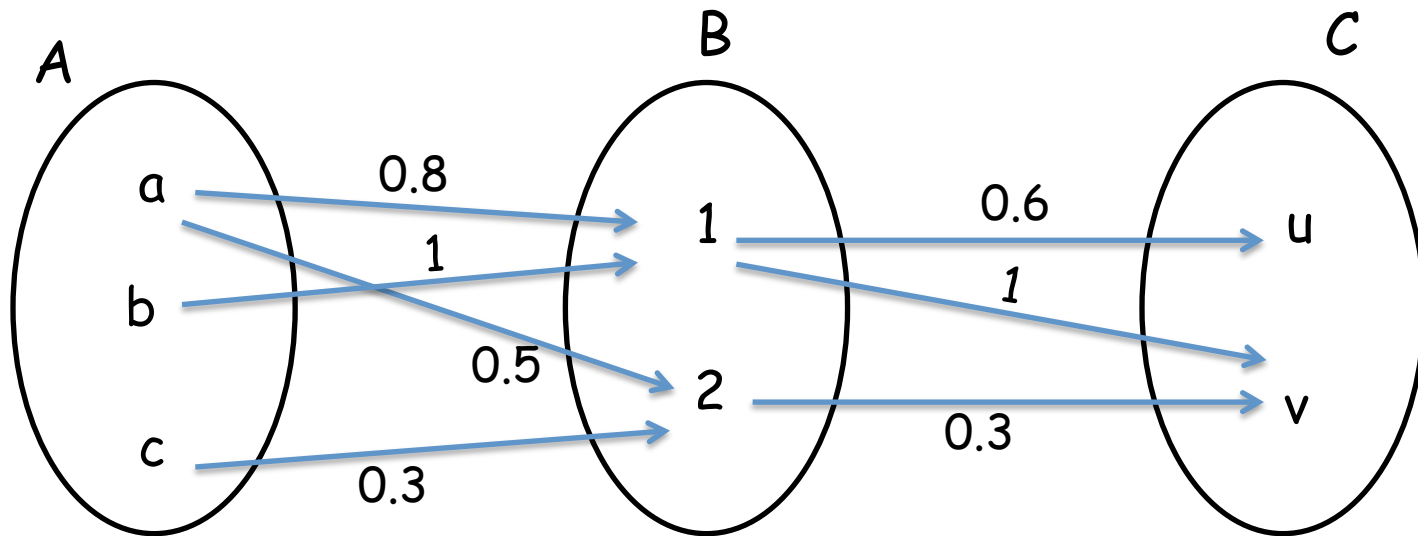
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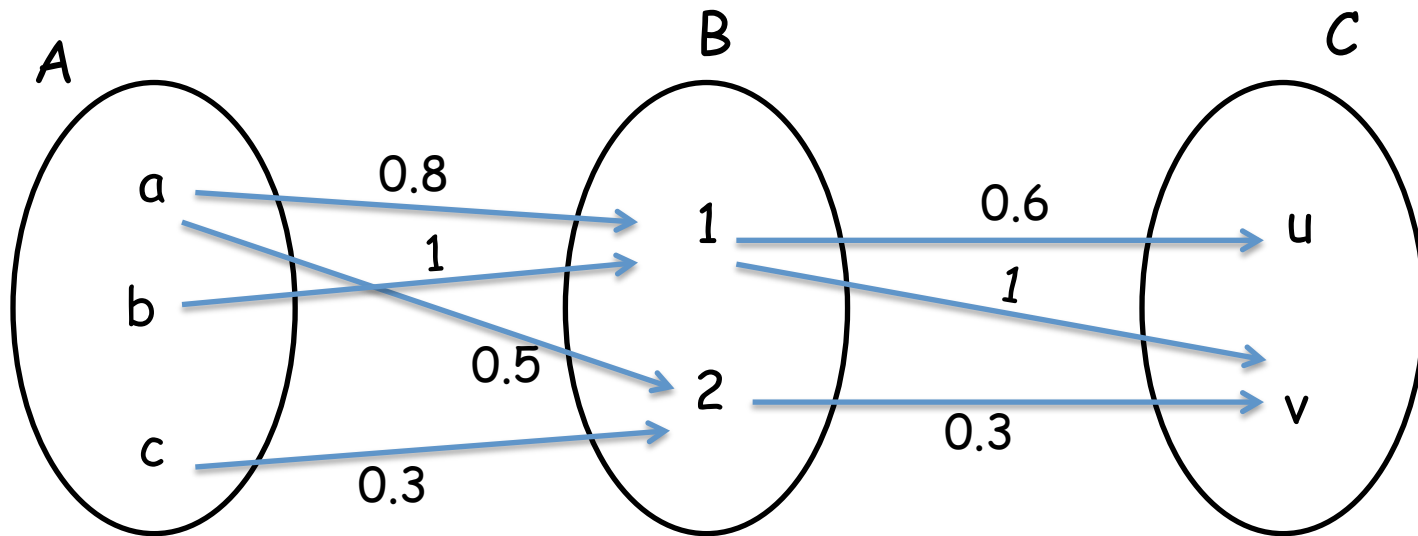


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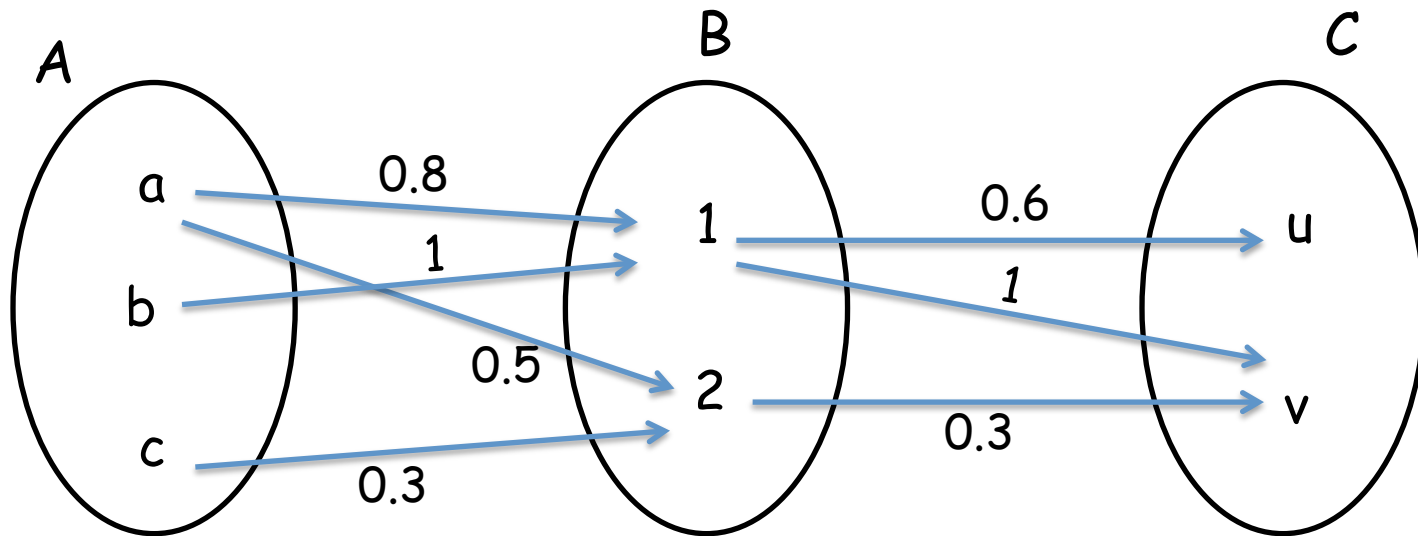
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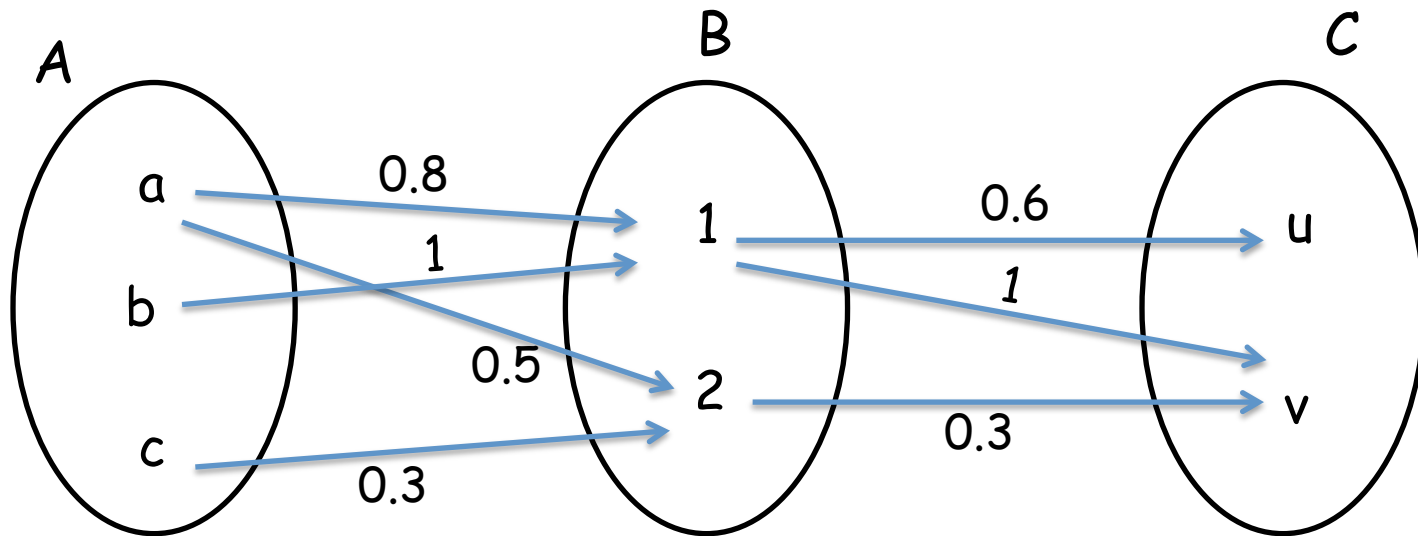
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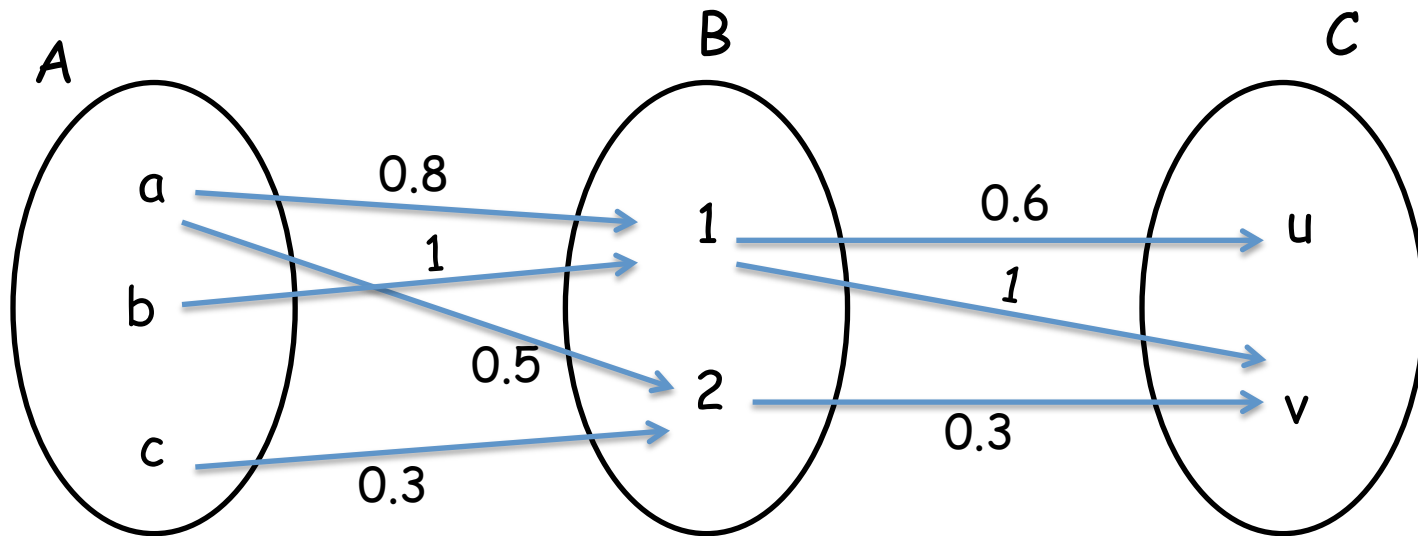
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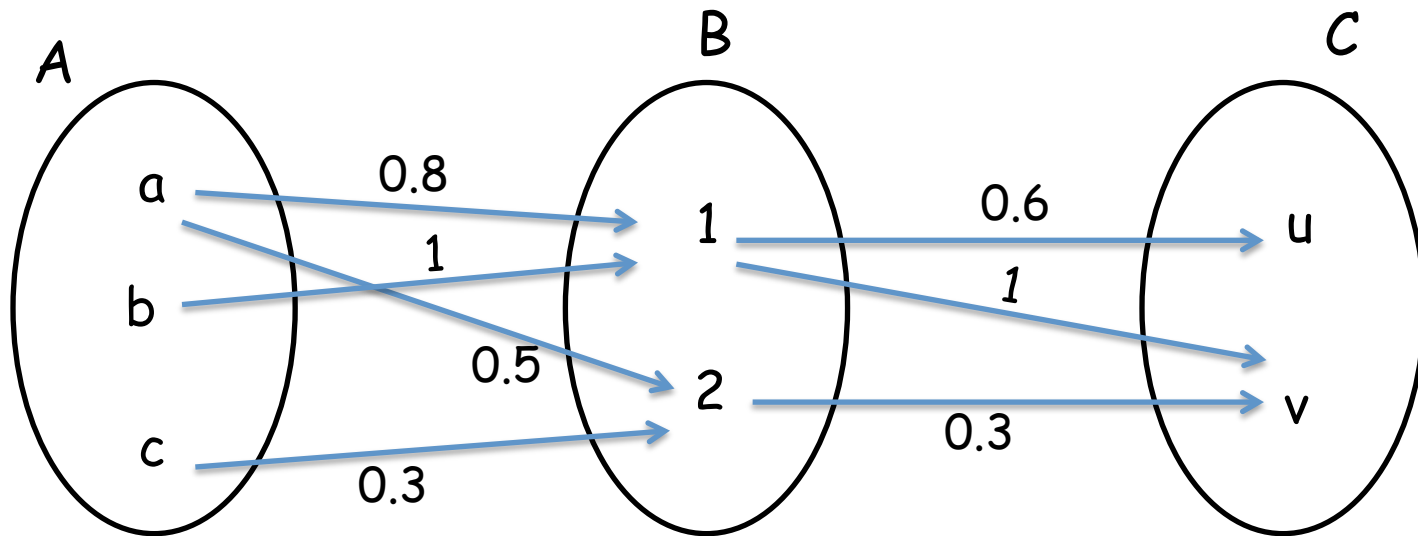
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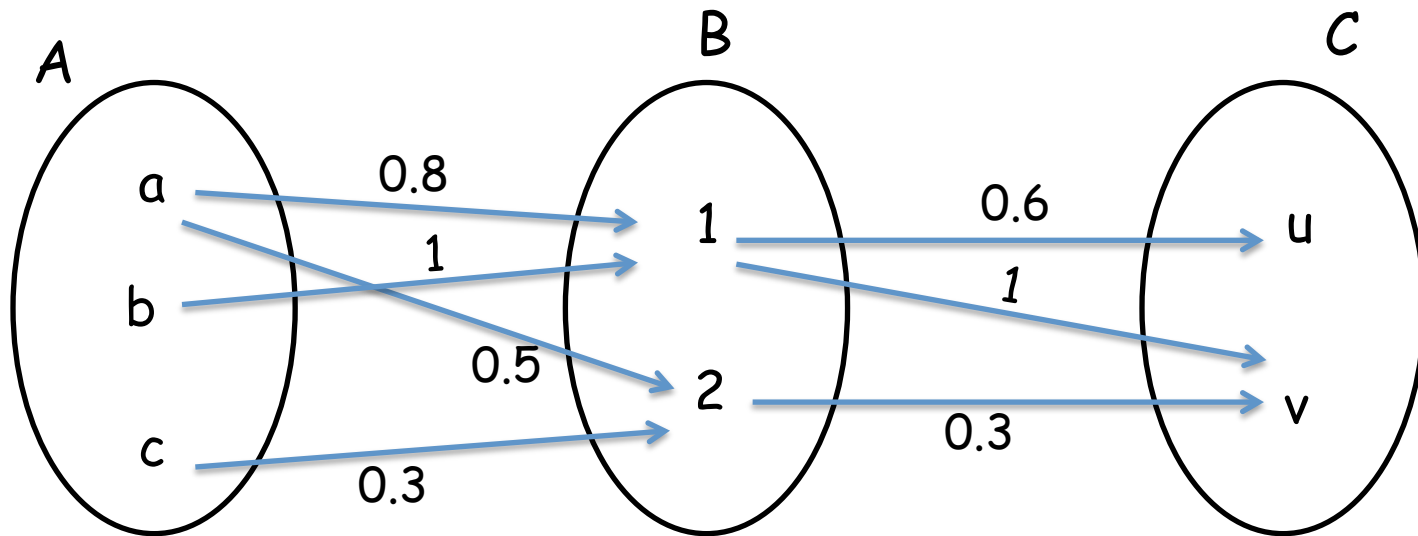
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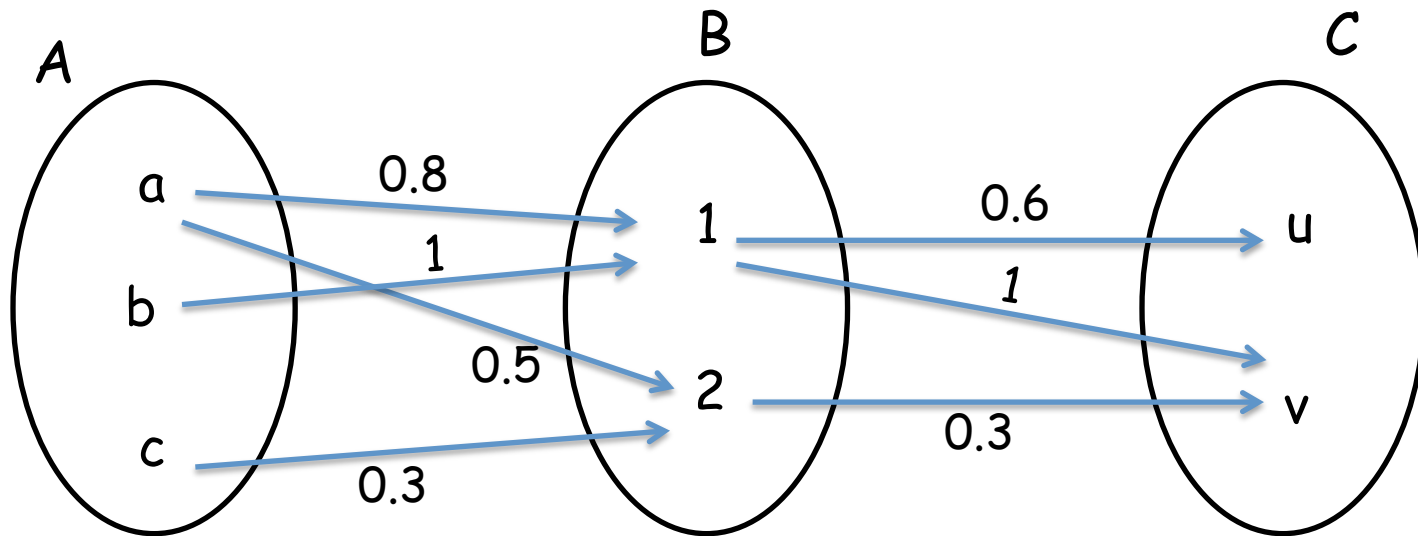
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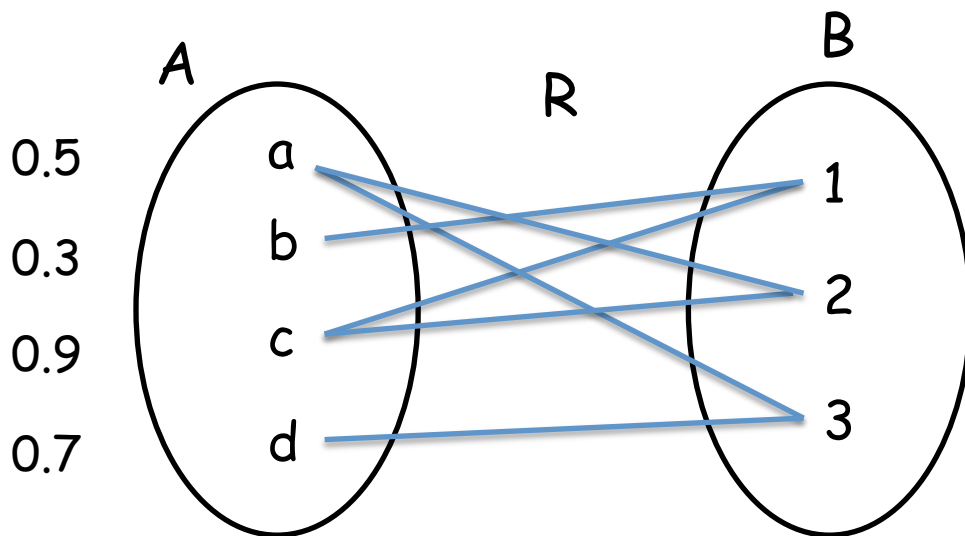
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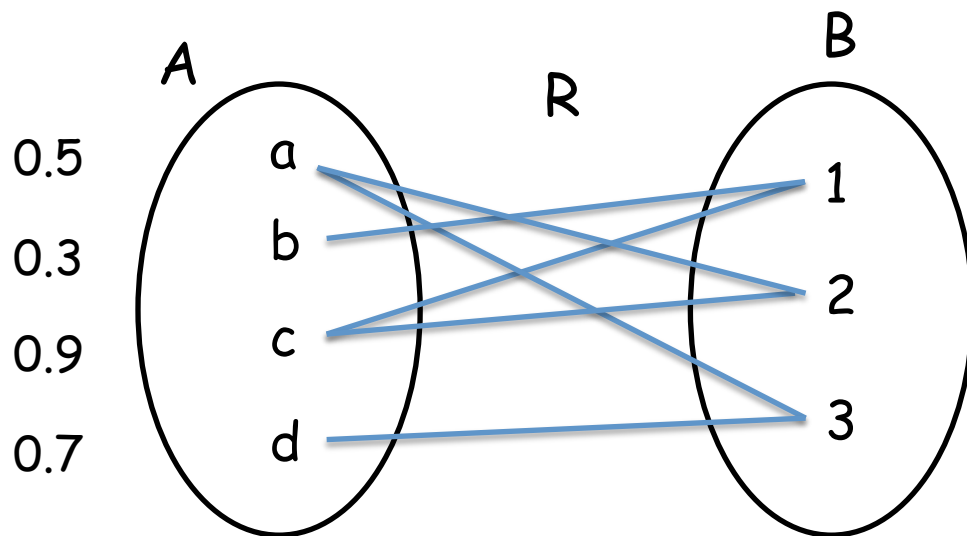
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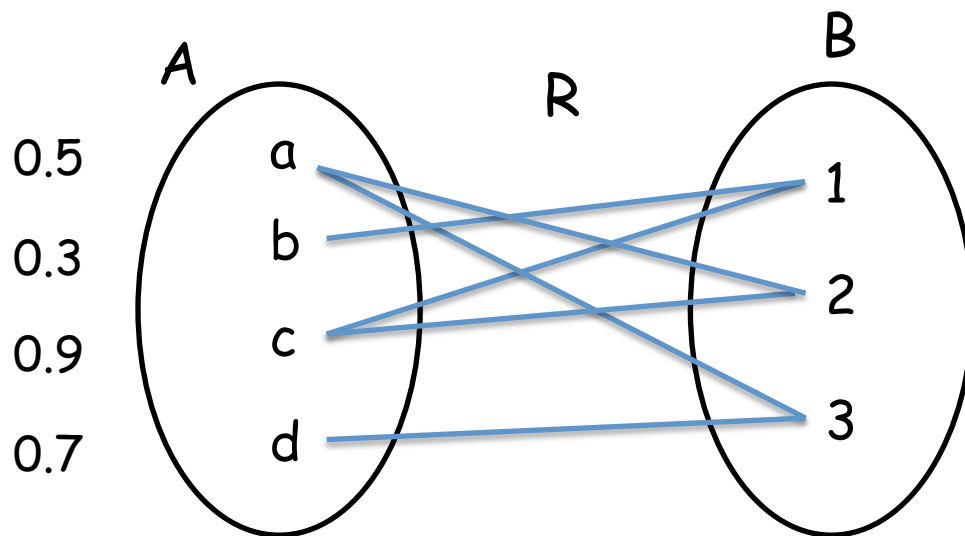
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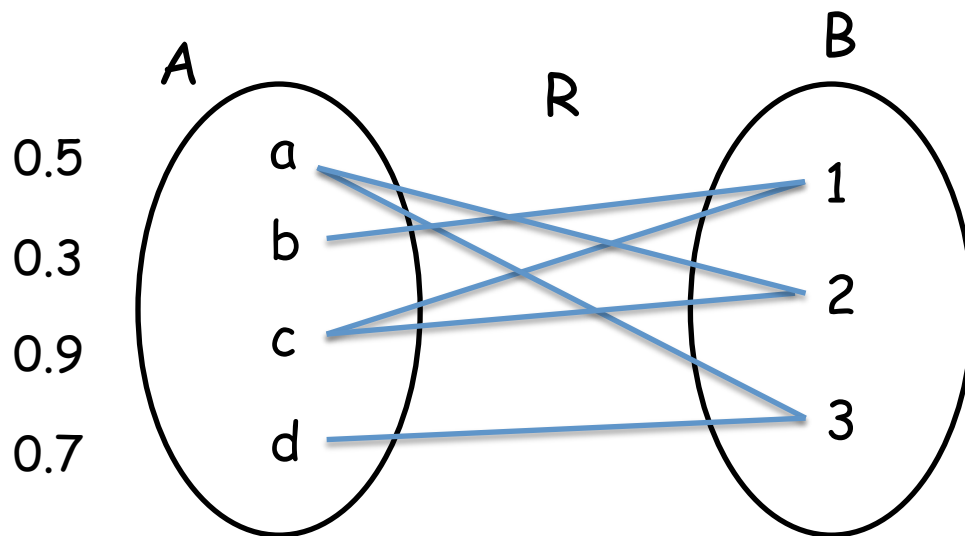
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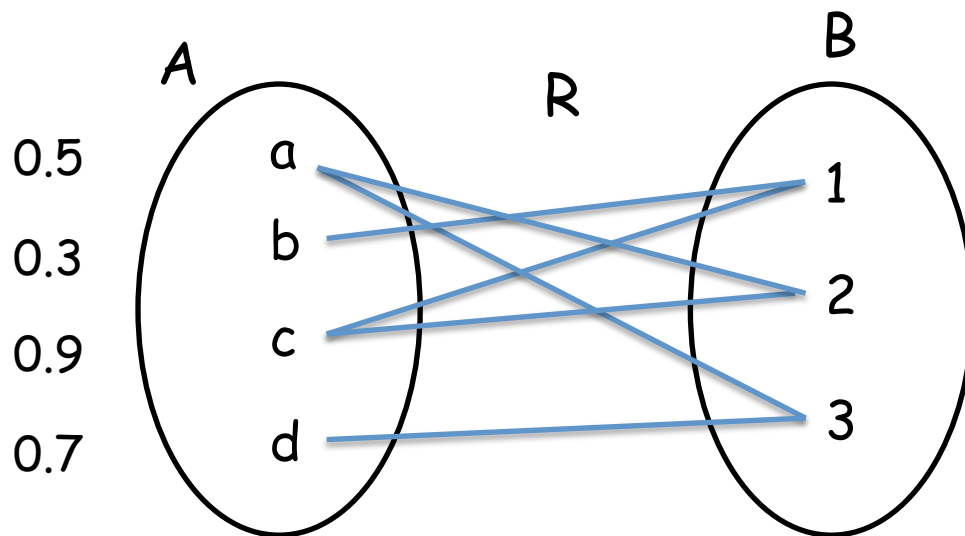
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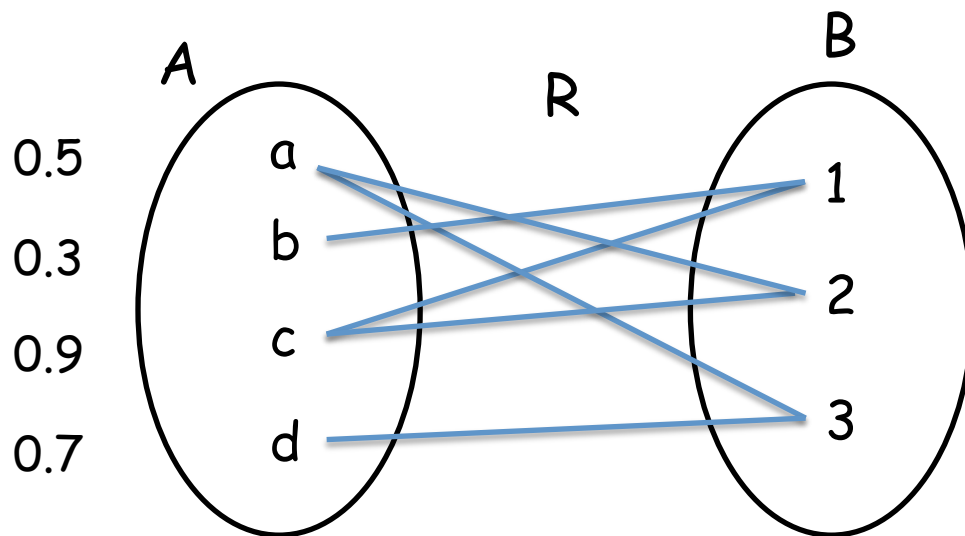
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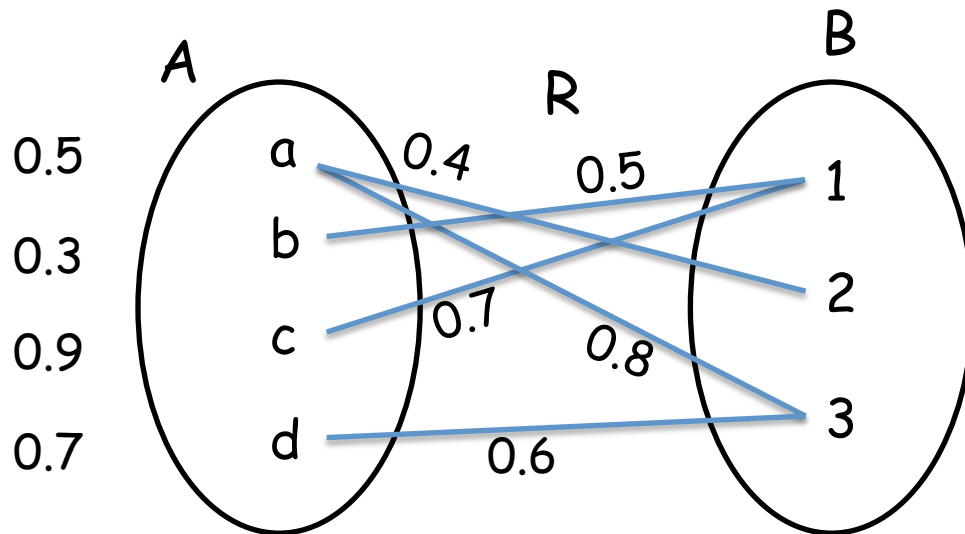
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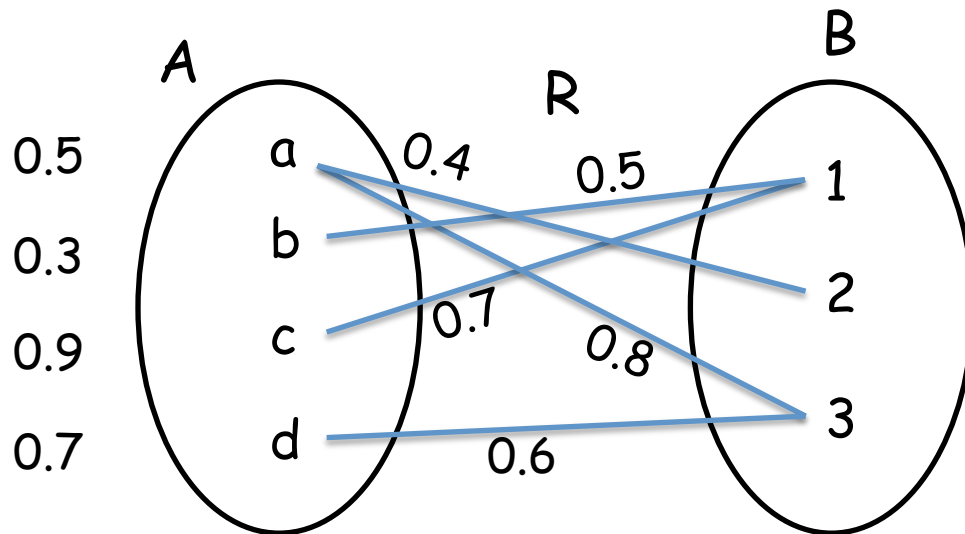
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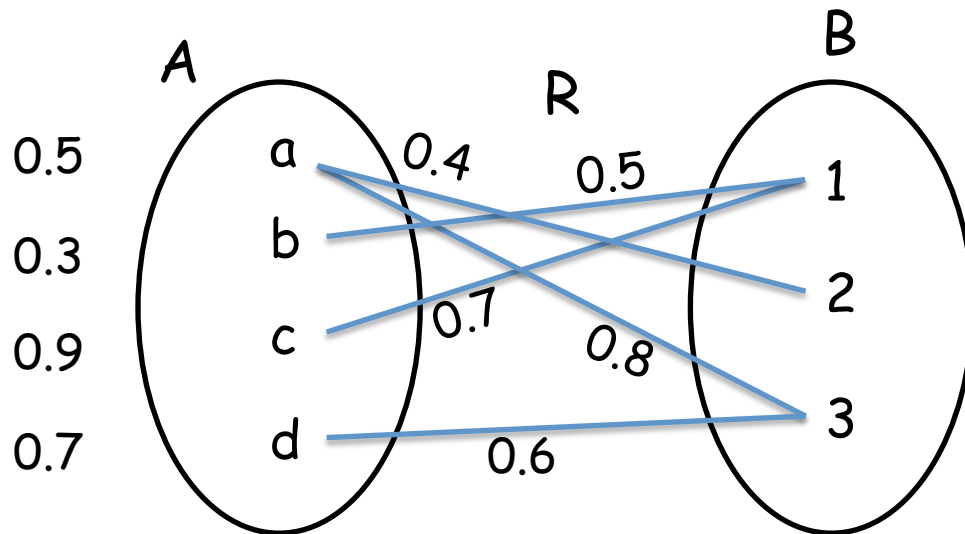
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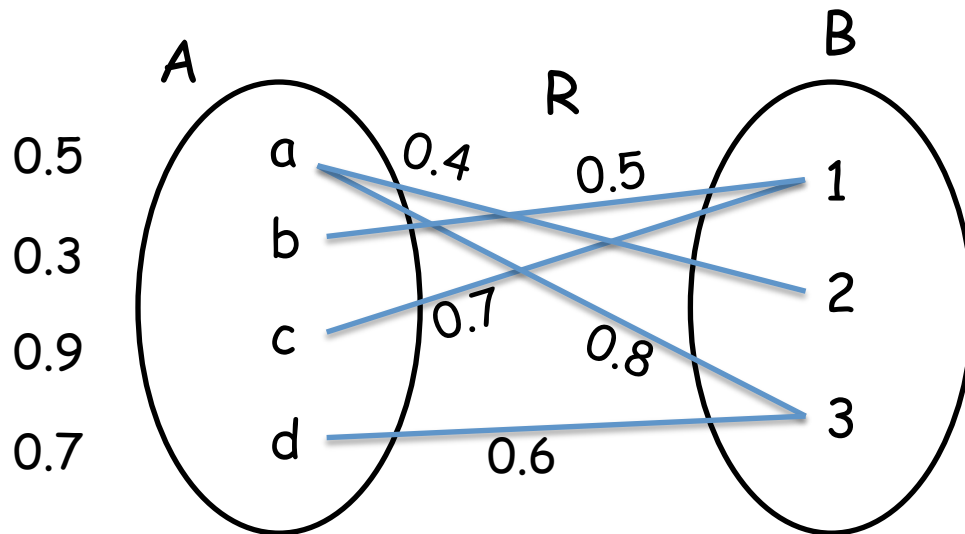
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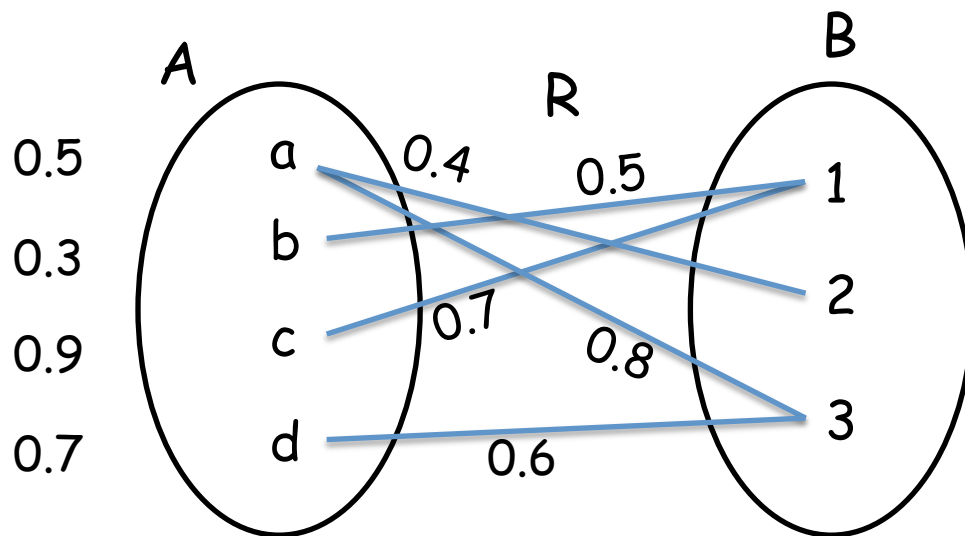
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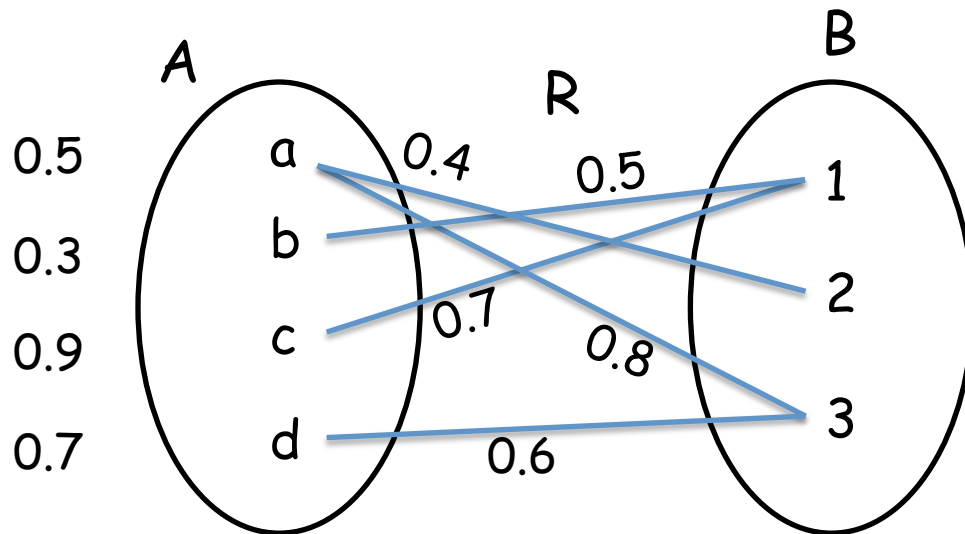
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3	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0

S	0	1	2	3
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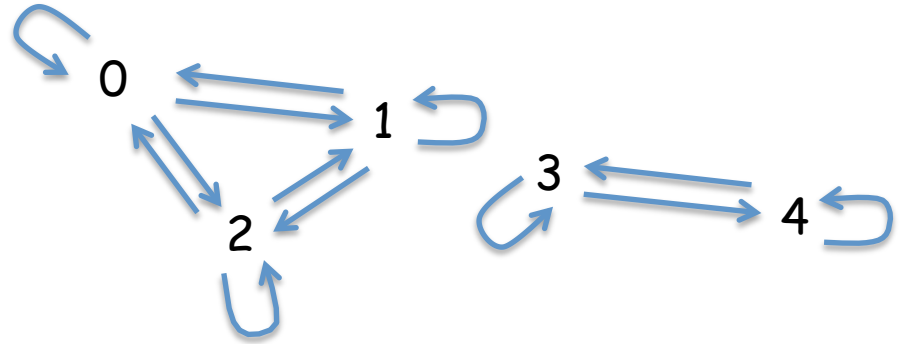
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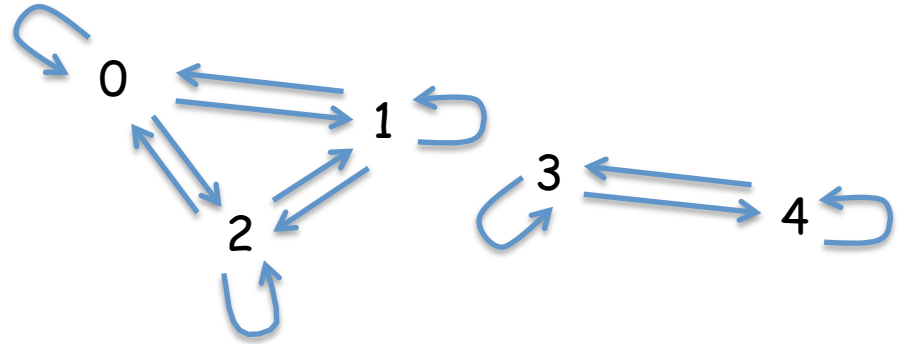
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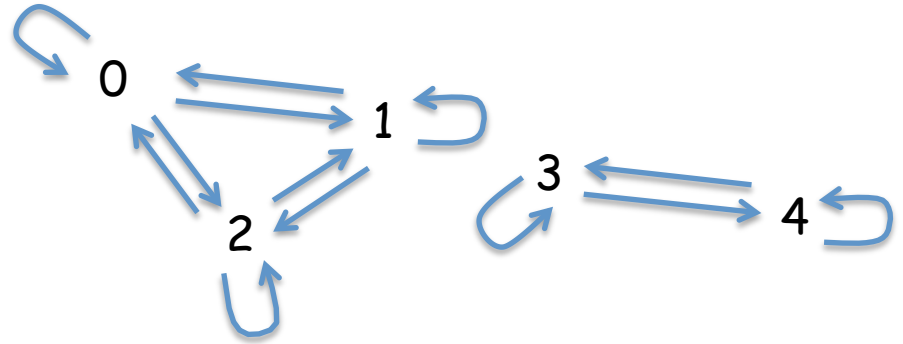


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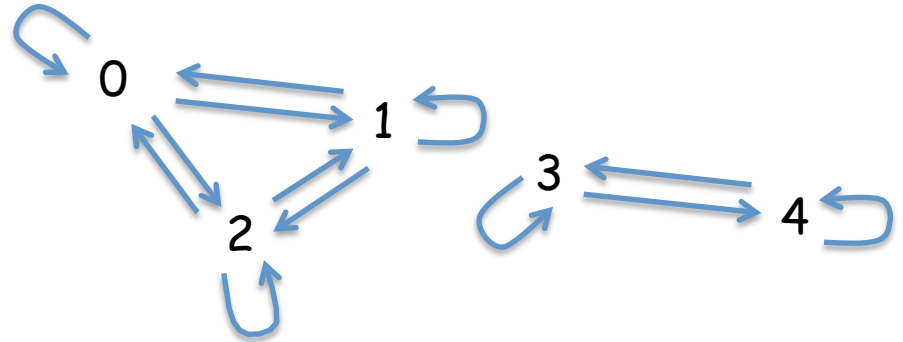


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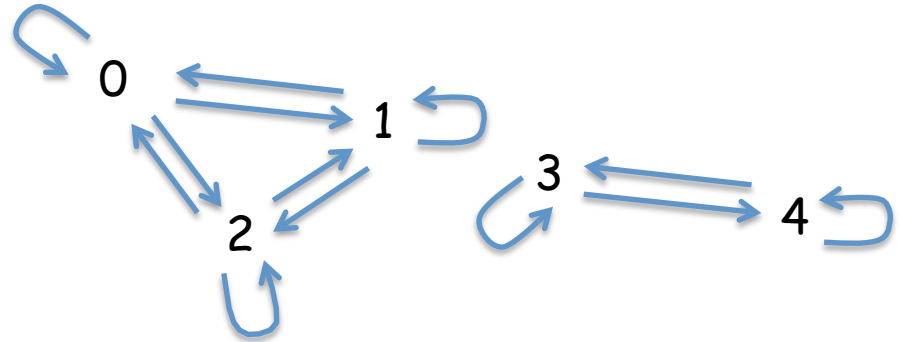
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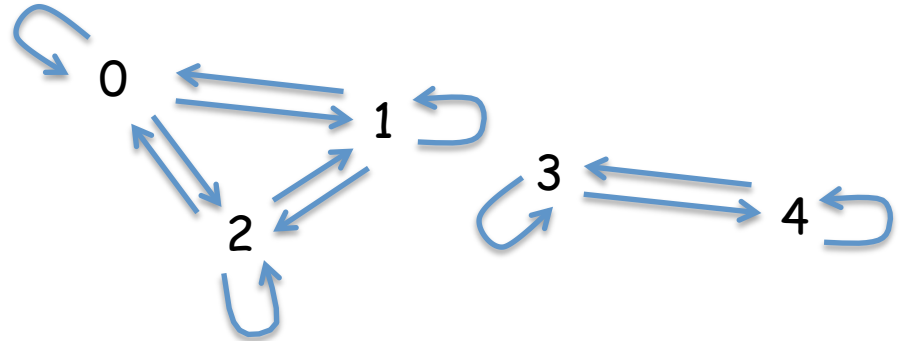
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