

# Template Models

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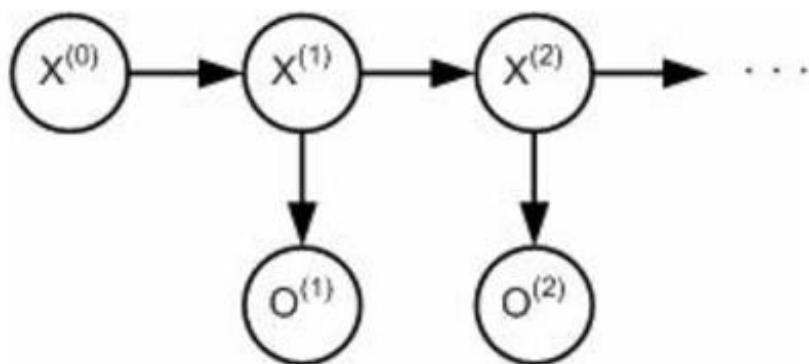
## Question 1

**Markov Assumption.** If a dynamic system  $X$  satisfies the Markov assumption for all time  $t \geq 0$ , which of the following statements must be true? You may select 1 or more options (or none of them, if you think none apply).

- ☐  $(X^{(t+1)} \perp X^{(0:(t-1))} | X^{(t)})$
- ☐  $(X^{(t+1)} \perp X^{(t)})$
- ☐  $P(X^{(t+1)}) \times P(X^{(0:(t-1))}) = P(X^{(t)})$  for all possible values of  $X$

## Question 2

**Independencies in DBNs.** In the following DBN, which of the following independence assumptions are true? You may select 1 or more options (or none of them, if you think none apply).



- ☐  $(O^{(t)} \perp X^{(t-1)} \mid X^{(t)})$
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- ☐  $(X^{(t-1)} \perp X^{(t+1)} \mid X^{(t)})$

### Question 3

**Applications of DBNs.** For which of the following applications might one use a DBN (i.e. the Markov assumption is satisfied)? You may select 1 or more options (or none of them, if you think none apply).

- ☐ Modeling time-series data, where the events at each time-point are influenced by only the events at the one time-point directly before it
- ☐ Modeling time-series data, where the events at each time-point are influenced by the events at many other time-points.
- ☐ Modeling the behavior of people, where a person's behavior is influenced by only the behavior of people in the same generation and the people in his/her parents' generation.
- ☐ Modeling data taken at different locations along a road, where the data at each location is influenced by the data at many other locations.

### Question 4

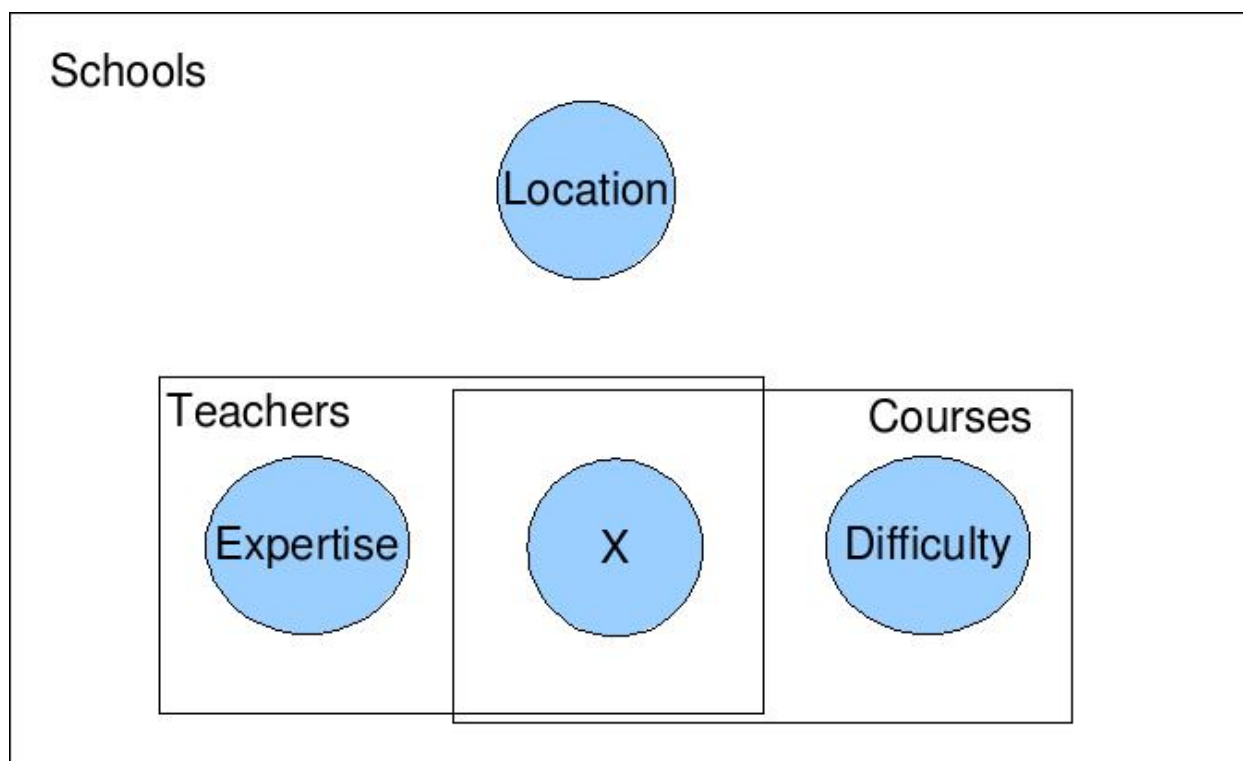
**Plate Semantics.** "Let A and B be random variables inside a common plate indexed by i. Which of the following statements must be true? You may select 1 or more options (or none of them, if you think none apply).

- ☐ For each i, A(i) and B(i) have the same CPDs.

- ☐ There is an instance of A and an instance of B for every i.
- ☐ For each i, A(i) and B(i) are not independent.
- ☐ For each i, A(i) and B(i) are independent.

## Question 5

**\*Plate Interpretation.** Consider the plate model below (with edges removed). Which of the following might a given instance of  $X$  possibly represent in the grounded model? (You may select 1 or more options or none of them, if you think none apply. Keep in mind that this question addresses the variable's semantics, not its CPD.)



- ☐ Whether a specific course C is boring
- ☐ None of these options can represent X in the grounded model
- ☐ Whether someone with expertise E taught something of difficulty D at school S
- ☐ Whether someone with expertise E taught something of difficulty D at a place in location L
- ☐ Whether a specific teacher T taught a specific course C at school S

## Question 6

**Grounded Plates.** Using the same plate model, now assume that there are  $s$  schools,  $t$  teachers in each school, and  $c$  courses taught by each teacher. How many instances of the Location variable are there?

- ☐  $ct$
- ☐  $s$
- ☐  $stc$
- ☐  $t$

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