

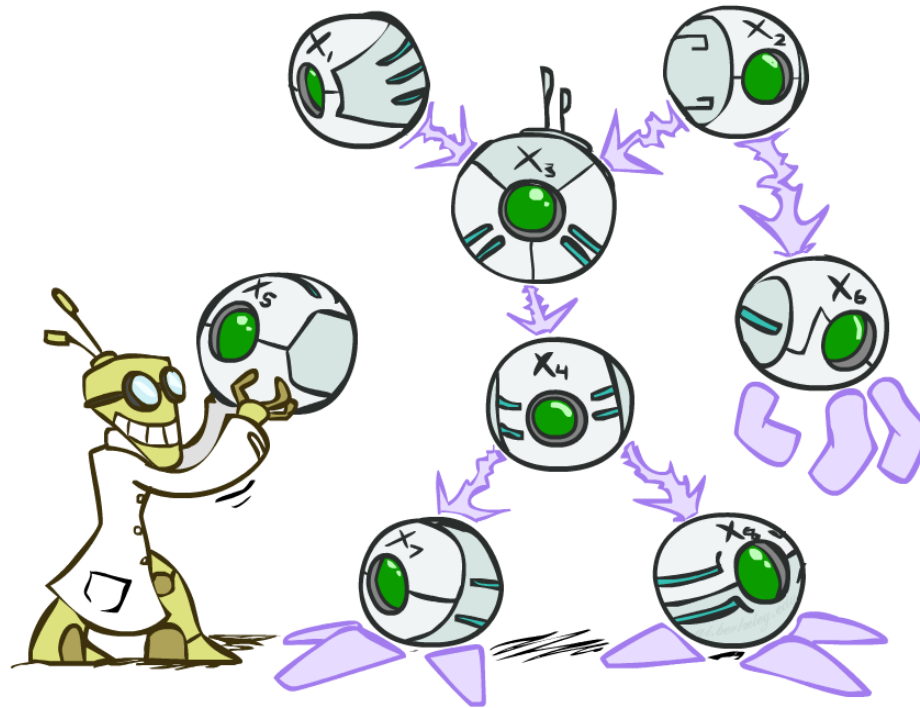
# Knowledge Representation & Reasoning

## COMP9016

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### Bayes' Nets

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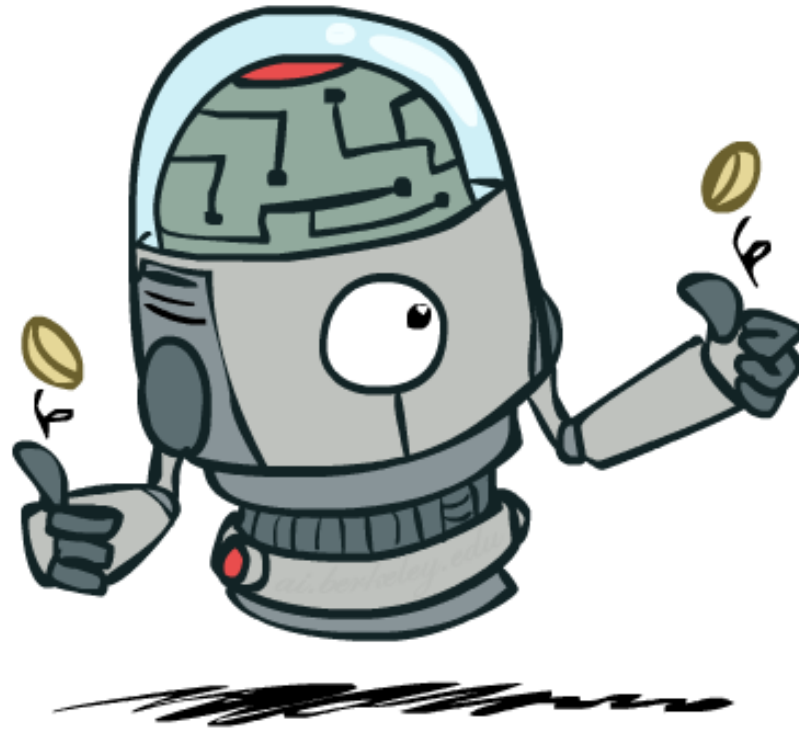
# Probabilistic Models

- Models describe how (a portion of) the world works
- **Models are always simplifications**
  - May not account for every variable
  - May not account for all interactions between variables
  - “All models are wrong; but some are useful.”  
– George E. P. Box
- What do we do with probabilistic models?
  - We (or our agents) need to reason about unknown variables, given evidence
  - Example: explanation (diagnostic reasoning)
  - Example: prediction (causal reasoning)
  - Example: value of information



# Independence

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# Independence

- Two variables are *independent* if:

$$\forall x, y : P(x, y) = P(x)P(y)$$

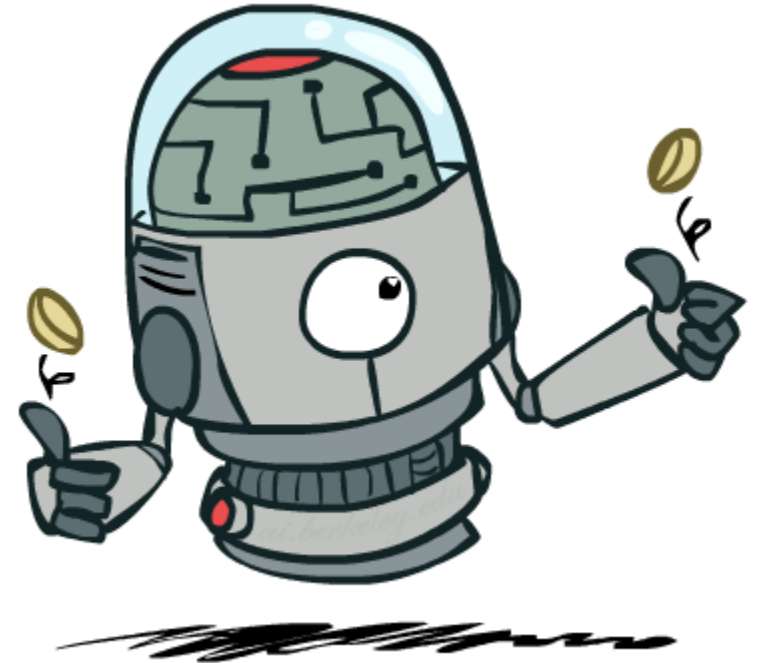
- This says that their joint distribution *factors* into a product two simpler distributions
- Another form:

$$\forall x, y : P(x|y) = P(x)$$

- We write:  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$

- Independence is a *simplifying modeling assumption*

- Empirical* joint distributions: at best “close” to independent
- What could we assume for {Weather, Traffic, Cavity, Toothache}?



# Example: Independence?

$P_1(T, W)$

T	W	P
hot	sun	0.4
hot	rain	0.1
cold	sun	0.2
cold	rain	0.3

$P(T)$

T	P
hot	0.5
cold	0.5

$P_2(T, W)$

T	W	P
hot	sun	0.3
hot	rain	0.2
cold	sun	0.3
cold	rain	0.2

$P(W)$

W	P
sun	0.6
rain	0.4

# Example: Independence

- N fair, independent coin flips:

$P(X_1)$

H	0.5
T	0.5

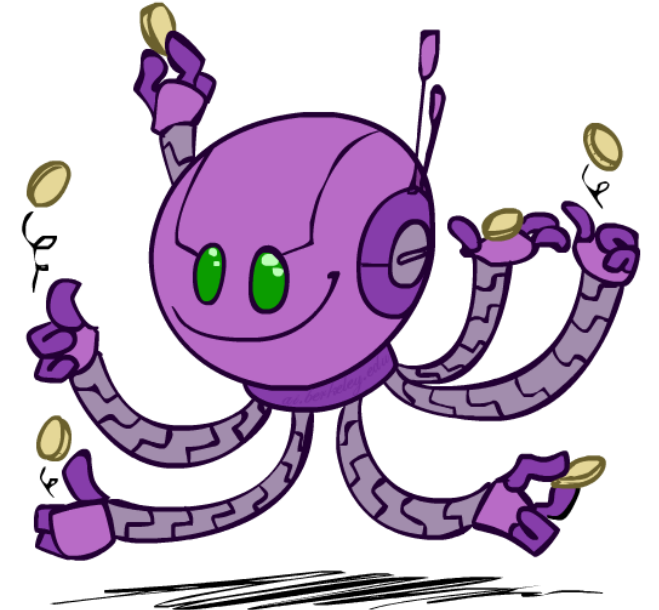
$P(X_2)$

H	0.5
T	0.5

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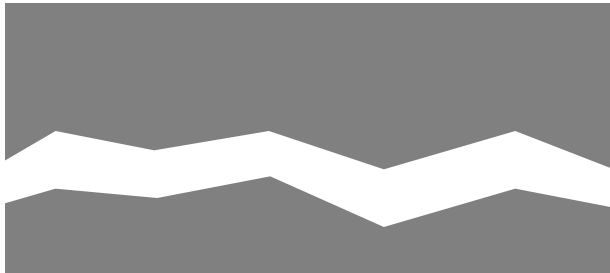
$P(X_n)$

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T	0.5



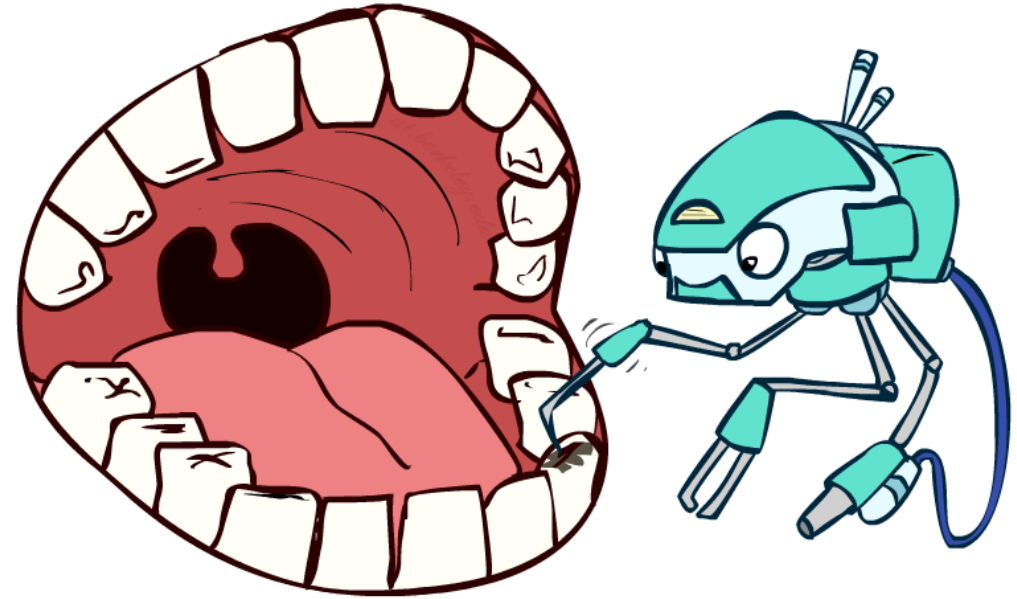
$P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$

$2^n$



# Conditional Independence

- $P(\text{Toothache}, \text{Cavity}, \text{Catch})$
- If I have a cavity, the probability that the probe catches in it doesn't depend on whether I have a toothache:
  - $P(+\text{catch} \mid +\text{toothache}, +\text{cavity}) = P(+\text{catch} \mid +\text{cavity})$
- The same independence holds if I don't have a cavity:
  - $P(+\text{catch} \mid +\text{toothache}, -\text{cavity}) = P(+\text{catch} \mid -\text{cavity})$
- Catch is *conditionally independent* of Toothache given Cavity:
  - $P(\text{Catch} \mid \text{Toothache}, \text{Cavity}) = P(\text{Catch} \mid \text{Cavity})$
- Equivalent statements:
  - $P(\text{Toothache} \mid \text{Catch}, \text{Cavity}) = P(\text{Toothache} \mid \text{Cavity})$
  - $P(\text{Toothache}, \text{Catch} \mid \text{Cavity}) = P(\text{Toothache} \mid \text{Cavity}) P(\text{Catch} \mid \text{Cavity})$
  - One can be derived from the other easily





# Conditional Independence

- Unconditional (absolute) independence very rare (why?)
- *Conditional independence* is our most basic and robust form of knowledge about uncertain environments.

- X is conditionally independent of Y given Z

$$X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y | Z$$

if and only if:

$$\forall x, y, z : P(x, y | z) = P(x | z)P(y | z)$$

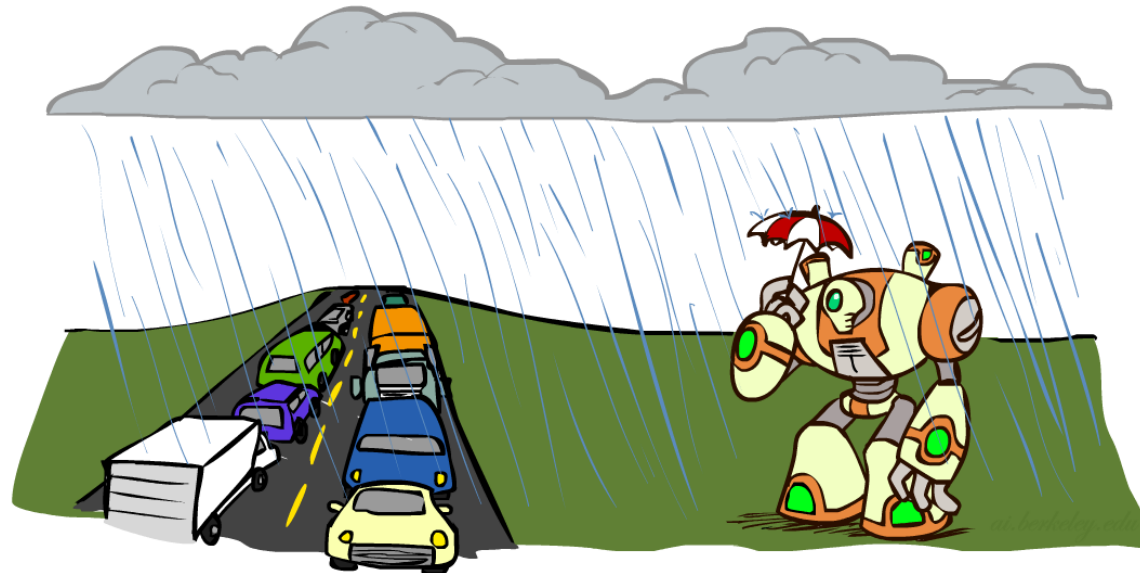
or, equivalently, if and only if

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# Conditional Independence

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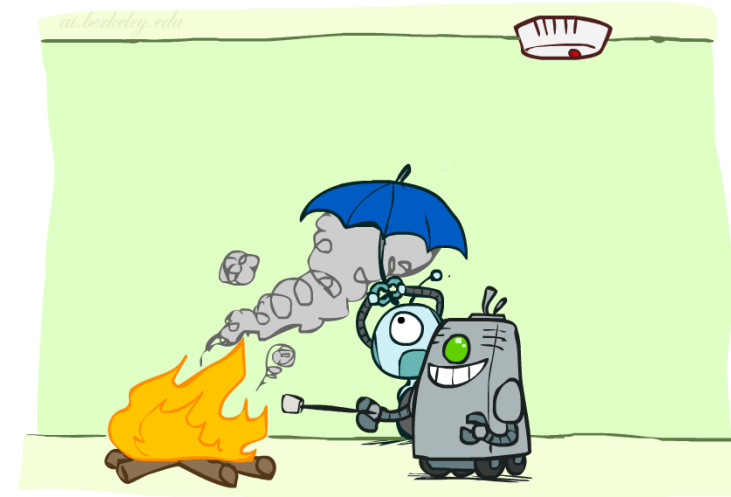
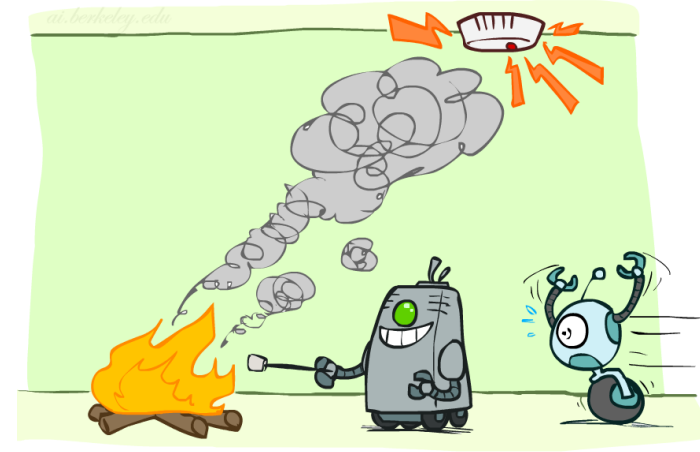
- Traffic
- Umbrella
- Raining



# Conditional Independence

- What about this domain:

- Fire
- Smoke
- Alarm



# Conditional Independence and the Chain Rule

- Chain rule:  $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = P(X_1)P(X_2|X_1)P(X_3|X_1, X_2) \dots$

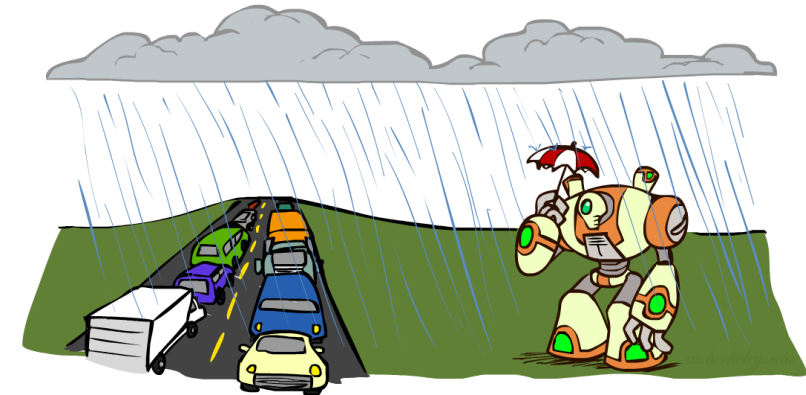
- Trivial decomposition:

$$P(\text{Traffic}, \text{Rain}, \text{Umbrella}) = P(\text{Rain})P(\text{Traffic}|\text{Rain})P(\text{Umbrella}|\text{Rain}, \text{Traffic})$$

- With assumption of conditional independence:

$$P(\text{Traffic}, \text{Rain}, \text{Umbrella}) = P(\text{Rain})P(\text{Traffic}|\text{Rain})P(\text{Umbrella}|\text{Rain})$$

- Bayes' nets / graphical models help us express conditional independence assumptions



# Ghostbusters Chain Rule

- Each sensor depends only on where the ghost is
- That means, the two sensors are conditionally independent, given the ghost position
- T: Top square is red  
B: Bottom square is red  
G: Ghost is in the top

- Givens:

$$P(+g) = 0.5$$

$$P(-g) = 0.5$$

$$P(+t \mid +g) = 0.8$$

$$P(+t \mid -g) = 0.4$$

$$P(+b \mid +g) = 0.4$$

$$P(+b \mid -g) = 0.8$$



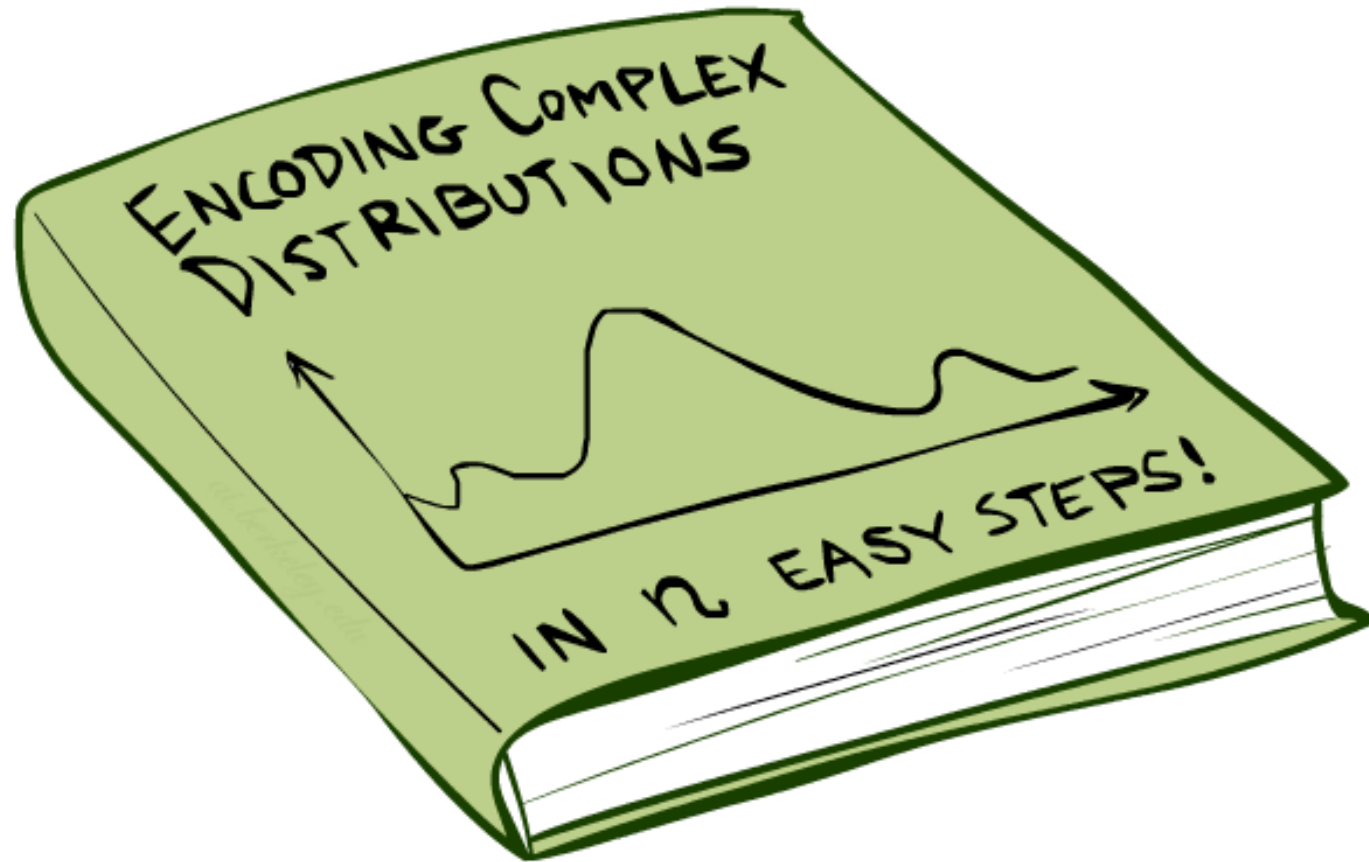
$$P(T,B,G) = P(G) P(T \mid G) P(B \mid G)$$

T	B	G	P(T,B,G)
+t	+b	+g	0.16
+t	+b	-g	0.16
+t	-b	+g	0.24
+t	-b	-g	0.04
-t	+b	+g	0.04
-t	+b	-g	0.24
-t	-b	+g	0.06
-t	-b	-g	0.06



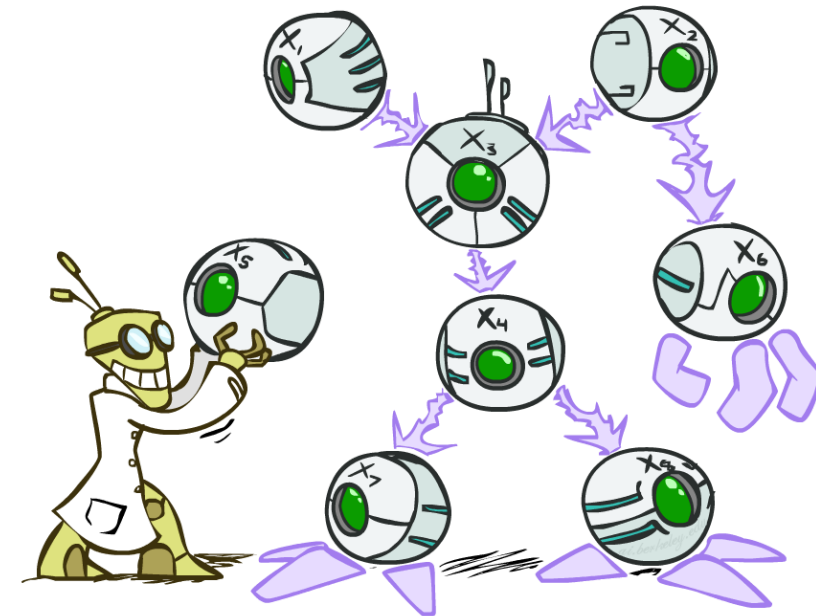
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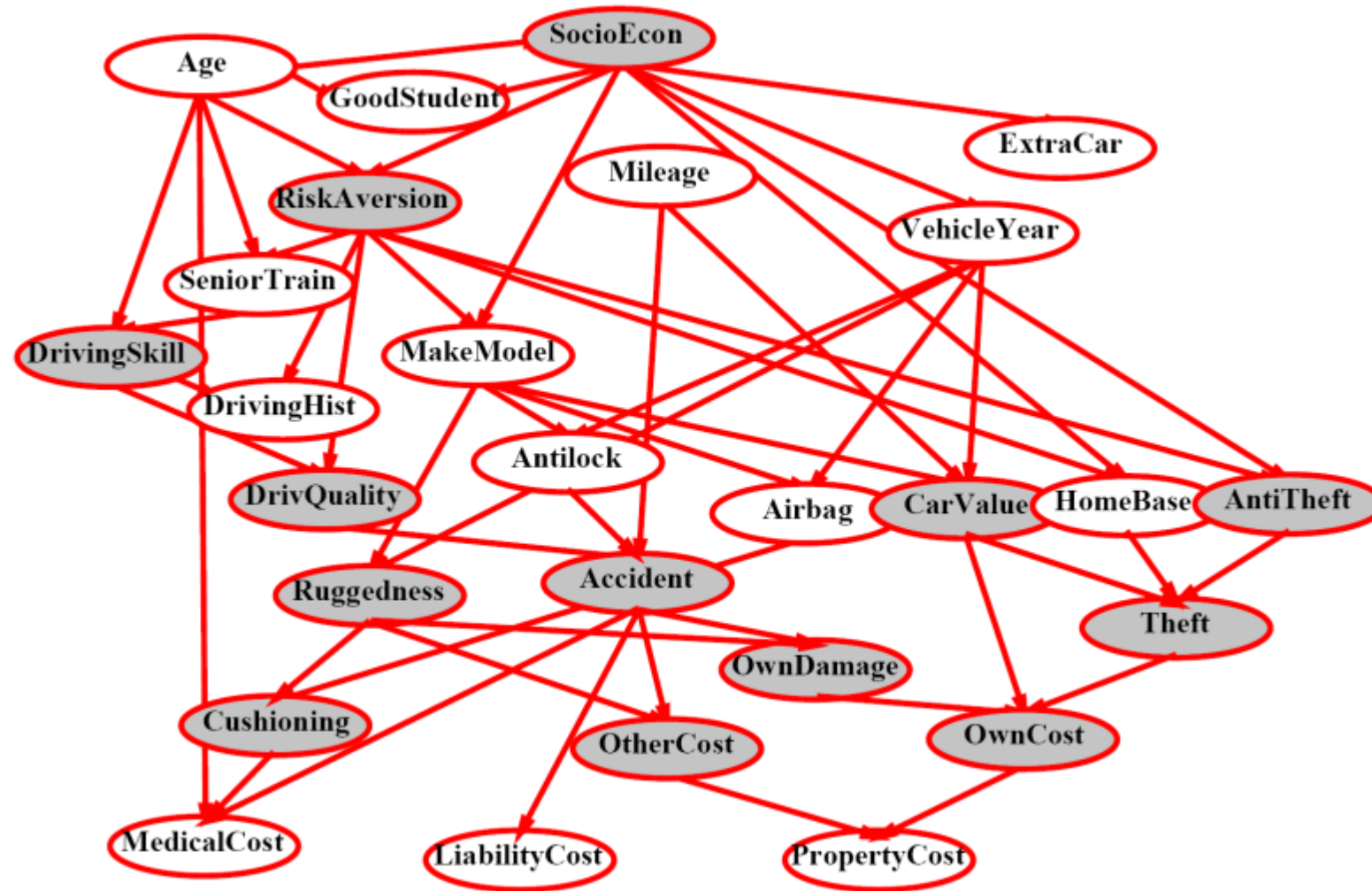


# Bayes' Nets: Big Picture

- Two problems with using full joint distribution tables as our probabilistic models:
  - Unless there are only a few variables, the joint is WAY too big to represent explicitly
  - Hard to learn (estimate) anything empirically about more than a few variables at a time
- **Bayes' nets:** a technique for describing complex joint distributions (models) using simple, local distributions (conditional probabilities)
  - More properly called **graphical models**
  - We describe how variables locally interact
  - Local interactions chain together to give global, indirect interactions
  - For about 10 min, we'll be vague about how these interactions are specified

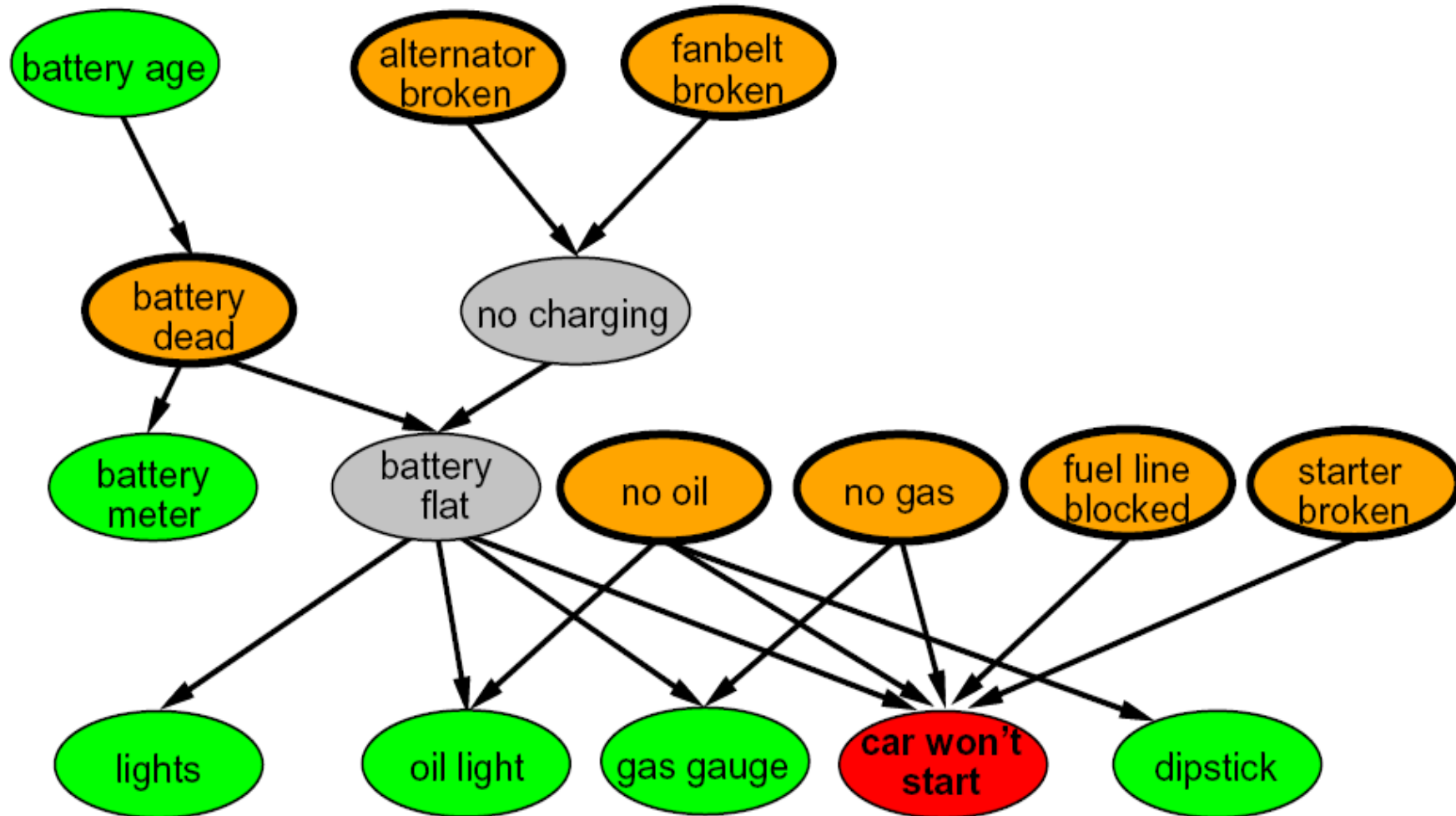


# Example Bayes' Net: Insurance



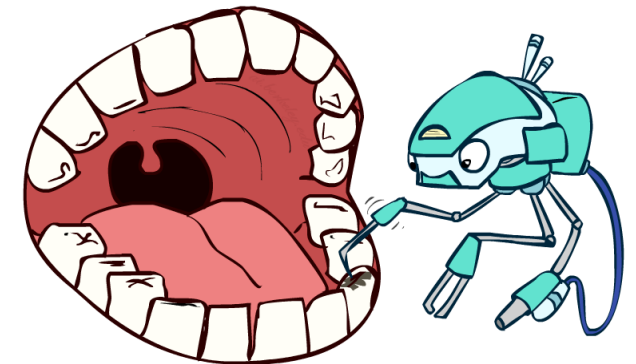
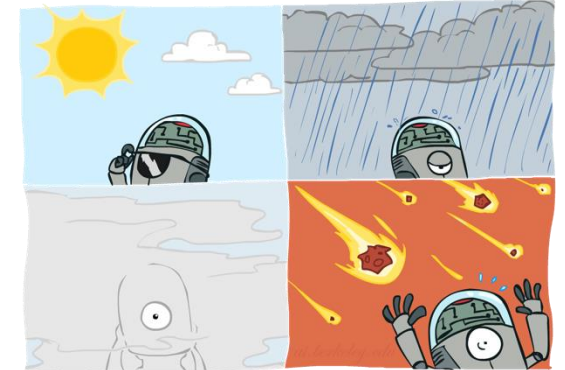
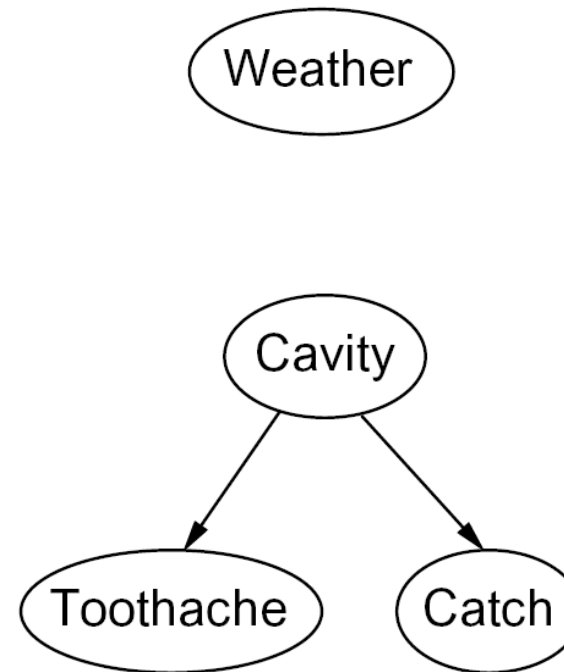


# Example Bayes' Net: Car



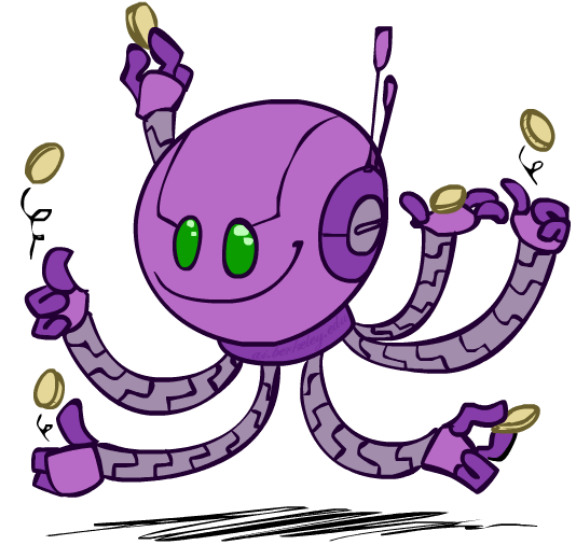
# Graphical Model Notation

- **Nodes: variables (with domains)**
  - Can be assigned (observed) or unassigned (unobserved)
- **Arcs: interactions**
  - Similar to CSP constraints
  - Indicate “direct influence” between variables
  - Formally: encode conditional independence (more later)
- For now: imagine that arrows mean direct causation (in general, they don't!)



# Example: Coin Flips

- N independent coin flips

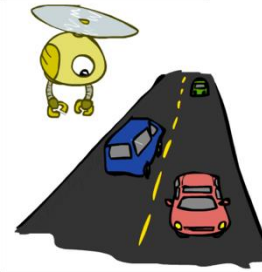


- No interactions between variables: **absolute independence**

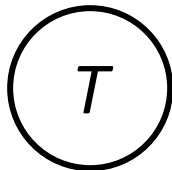
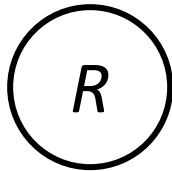
# Example: Traffic

- Variables:

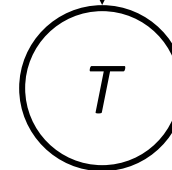
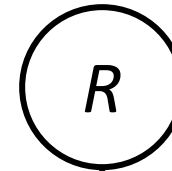
- R: It rains
- T: There is traffic



- Model 1: independence



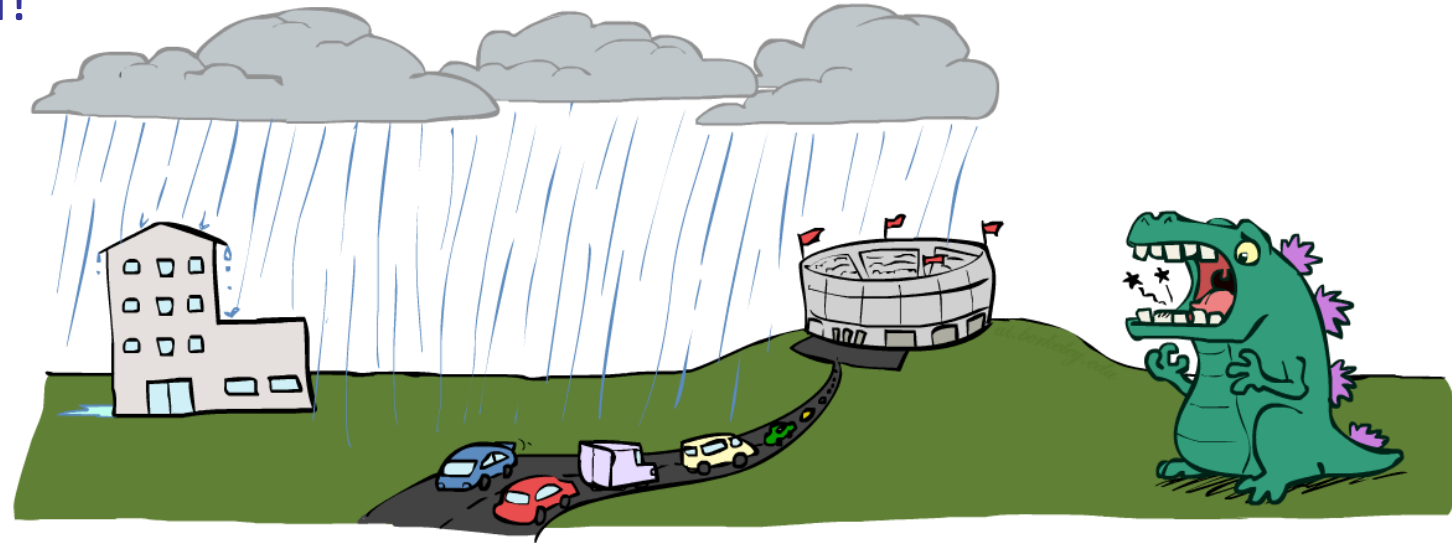
- Model 2: rain causes traffic



- Why is an agent using model 2 better?

# Example: Traffic II

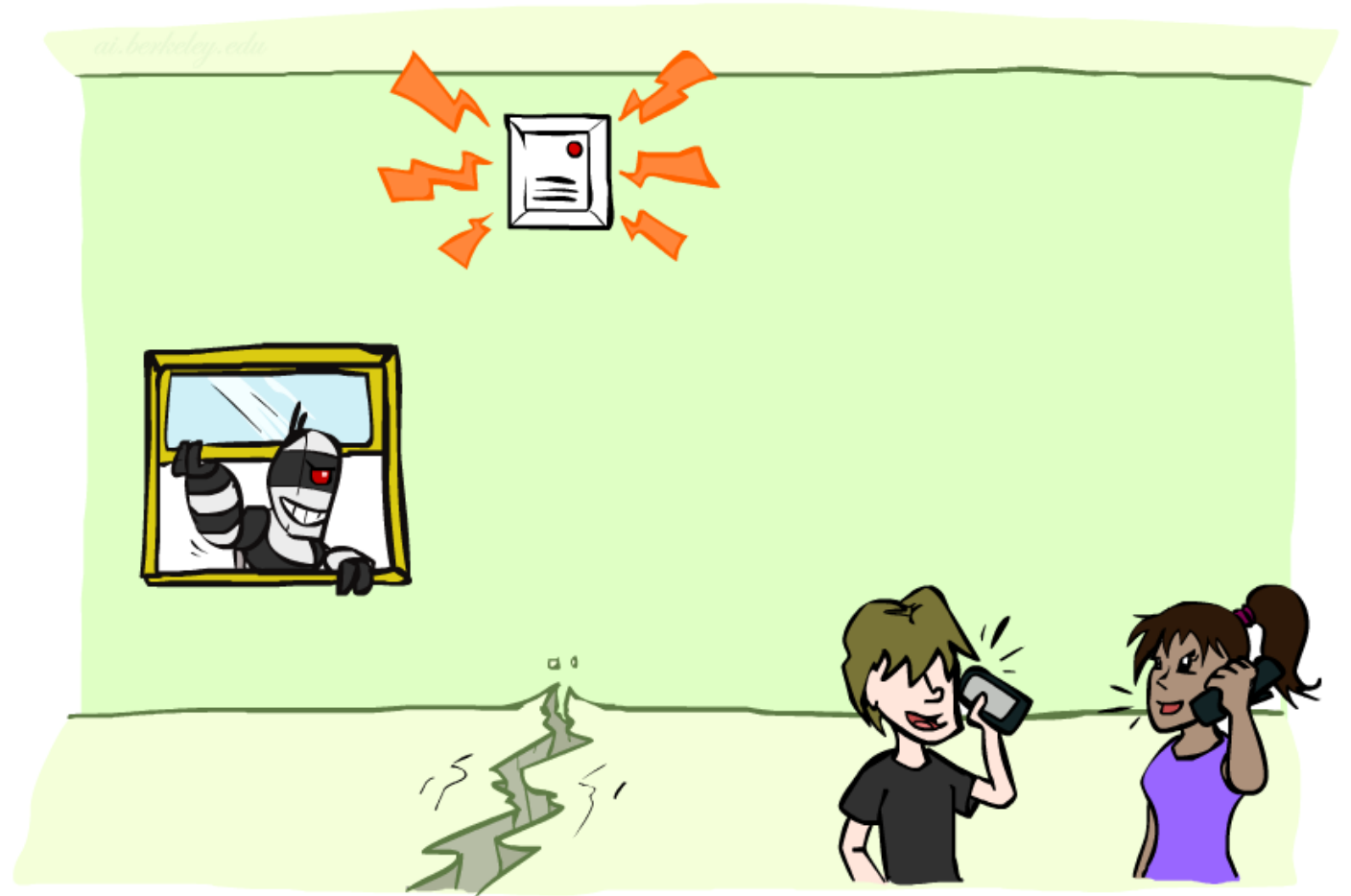
- Let's build a causal graphical model!
- Variables
  - T: Traffic
  - R: It rains
  - L: Low pressure
  - D: Roof drips
  - B: Ballgame
  - C: Cavity



# Example: Alarm Network

- Variables

- B: Burglary
- A: Alarm goes off
- M: Mary calls
- J: John calls
- E: Earthquake!



# Bayes' Net Semantics

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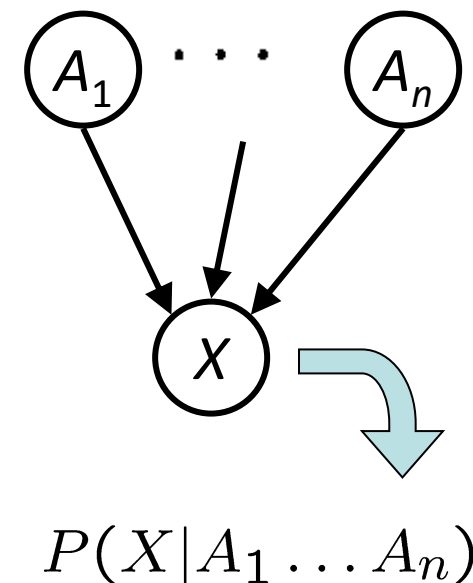
# Bayes' Net Semantics



- A set of nodes, one per variable  $X$
- A directed, acyclic graph
- A conditional distribution for each node
  - A collection of distributions over  $X$ , one for each combination of parents' values

$$P(X|a_1 \dots a_n)$$

- CPT: conditional probability table
- Description of a noisy “causal” process



*A Bayes net = Topology (graph) + Local Conditional Probabilities*



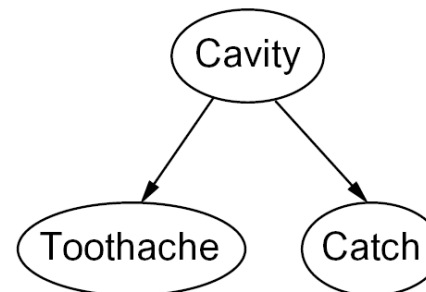
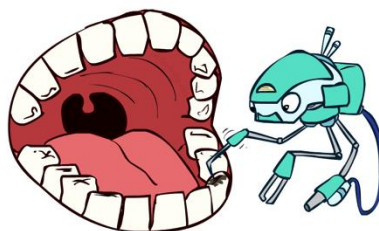
# Probabilities in BNs



- Bayes' nets **implicitly** encode joint distributions
  - As a product of local conditional distributions
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$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$$

- Example:



$$P(+cavity, +catch, -toothache)$$

# Probabilities in BNs



- Why are we guaranteed that setting

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$$

results in a proper joint distribution?

- Chain rule (valid for all distributions):  $P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | x_1 \dots x_{i-1})$

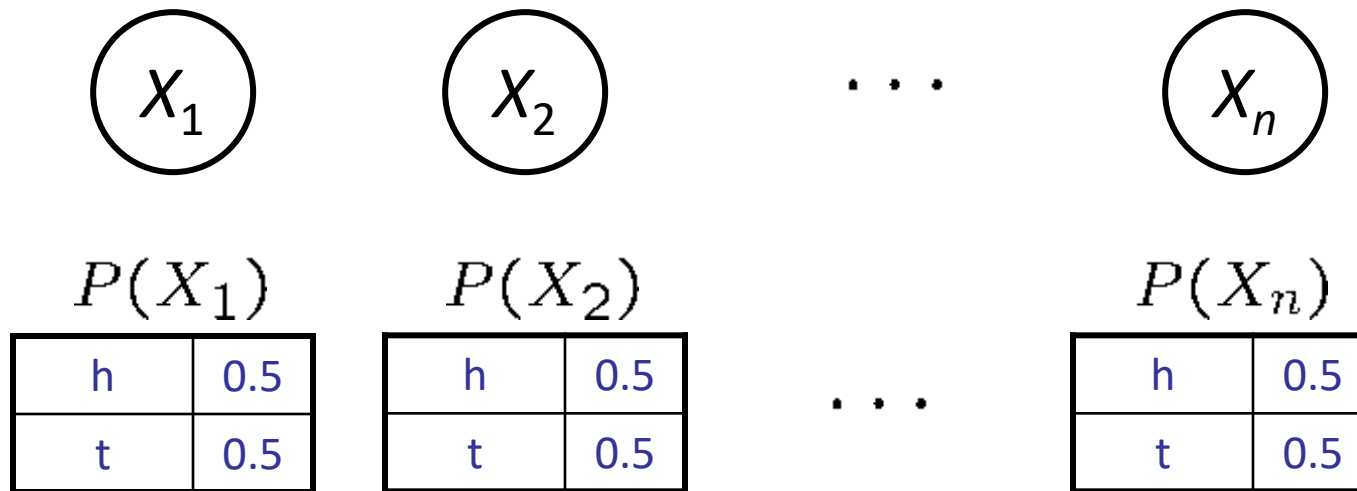
- Assume conditional independences:  $P(x_i | x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}) = P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$

→ Consequence:  $P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$

- Not every BN can represent every joint distribution

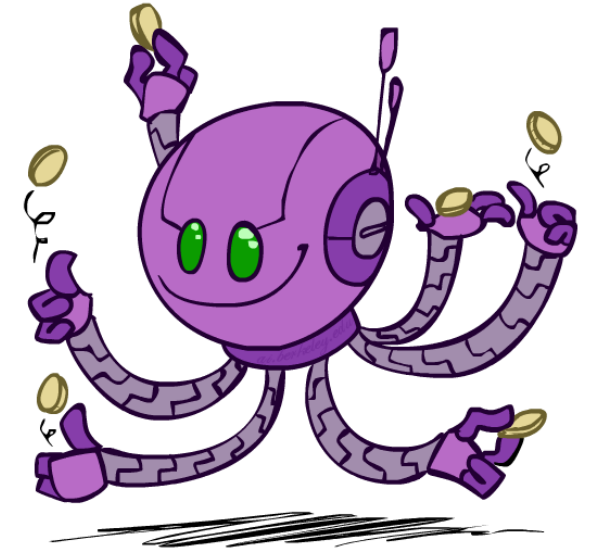
- The topology enforces certain conditional independencies

# Example: Coin Flips

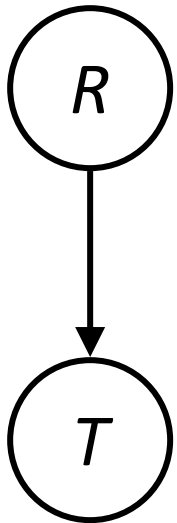


$$P(h, h, t, h) =$$

*Only distributions whose variables are absolutely independent can be represented by a Bayes' net with no arcs.*



# Example: Traffic

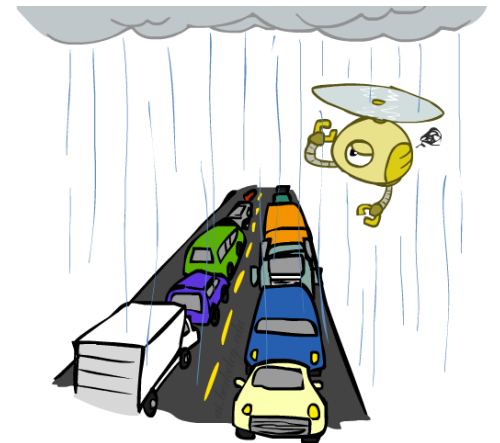
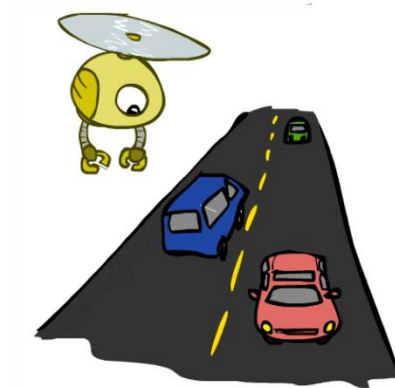

$$P(R)$$

$+r$	$1/4$
$-r$	$3/4$

$$P(T|R)$$

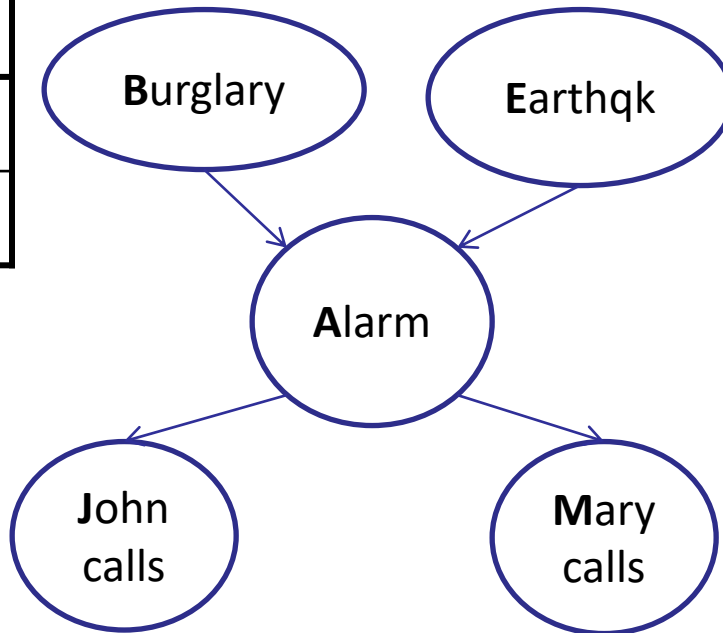
$+r$	$+t$	$3/4$
$+r$	$-t$	$1/4$
$-r$	$+t$	$1/2$
$-r$	$-t$	$1/2$

$$P(+r, -t) =$$

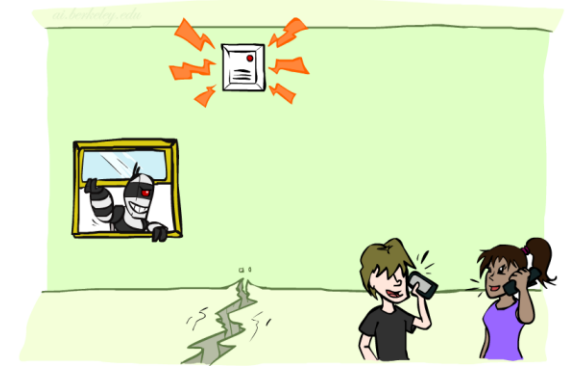


# Example: Alarm Network

B	P(B)
+b	0.001
-b	0.999



E	P(E)
+e	0.002
-e	0.998



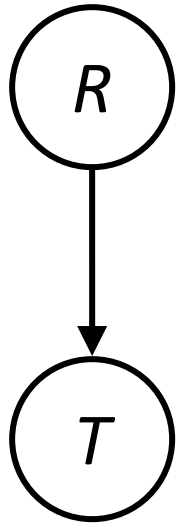
A	J	P(J A)
+a	+j	0.9
+a	-j	0.1
-a	+j	0.05
-a	-j	0.95

A	M	P(M A)
+a	+m	0.7
+a	-m	0.3
-a	+m	0.01
-a	-m	0.99

B	E	A	P(A B,E)
+b	+e	+a	0.95
+b	+e	-a	0.05
+b	-e	+a	0.94
+b	-e	-a	0.06
-b	+e	+a	0.29
-b	+e	-a	0.71
-b	-e	+a	0.001
-b	-e	-a	0.999

# Example: Traffic

- Causal direction



$P(R)$

+r	1/4
-r	3/4

$P(T|R)$

+r	+t	3/4
	-t	1/4
-r	+t	1/2
	-t	1/2

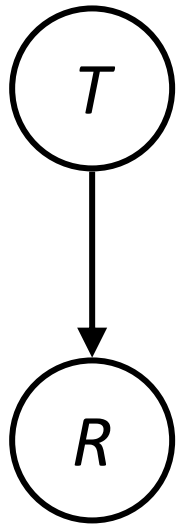
$P(T, R)$

+r	+t	3/16
+r	-t	1/16
-r	+t	6/16
-r	-t	6/16



# Example: Reverse Traffic

- Reverse causality?



$P(T)$

+t	9/16
-t	7/16

$P(R|T)$

+t	+r	1/3
	-r	2/3

-t	+r	1/7
	-r	6/7

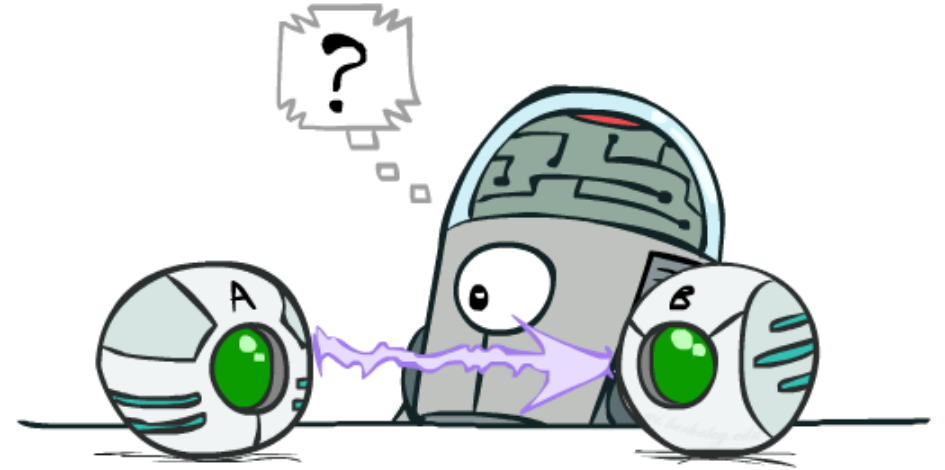


$P(T, R)$

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# Causality?

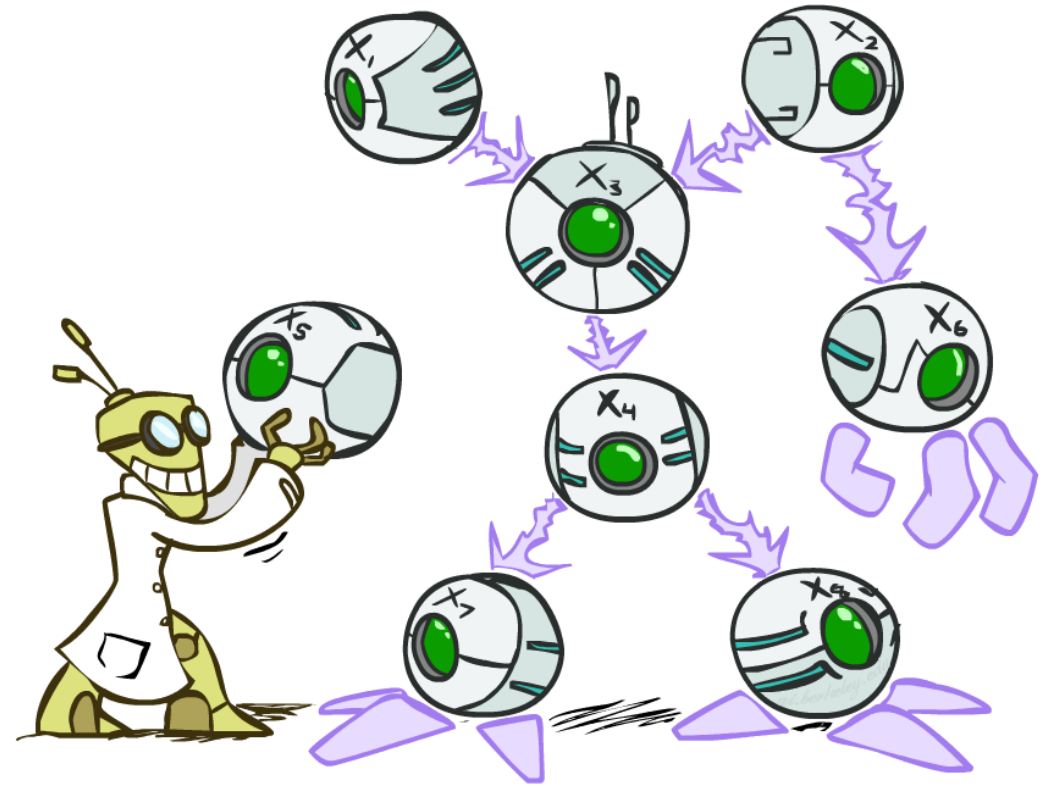
- When Bayes' nets reflect the true causal patterns:
  - Often simpler (nodes have fewer parents)
  - Often easier to think about
  - Often easier to elicit from experts
- BNs need not actually be causal
  - Sometimes no causal net exists over the domain (especially if variables are missing)
  - E.g. consider the variables *Traffic* and *Drips*
  - End up with arrows that reflect correlation, not causation
- What do the arrows really mean?
  - Topology may happen to encode causal structure
  - **Topology really encodes conditional independence**
$$P(x_i|x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}) = P(x_i|\text{parents}(X_i))$$



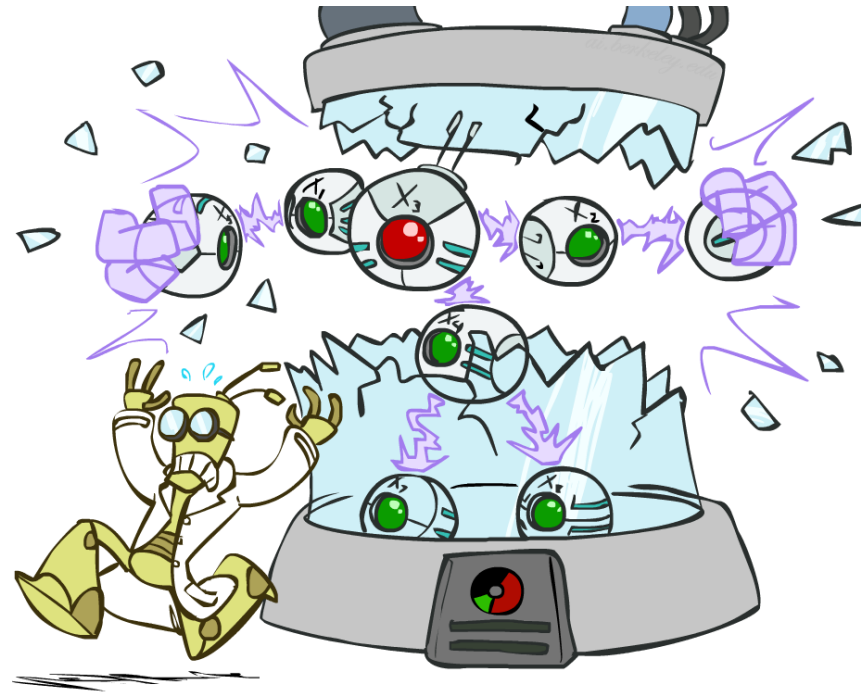


# Bayes' Nets

- So far: how a Bayes' net encodes a joint distribution
- Next: how to answer queries about that distribution
  - Today:
    - First assembled BNs using an intuitive notion of conditional independence as causality
    - Then saw that key property is conditional independence
  - Main goal: answer queries about conditional independence and influence
- After that: how to answer numerical queries (inference)



# Bayes' Nets: Independence

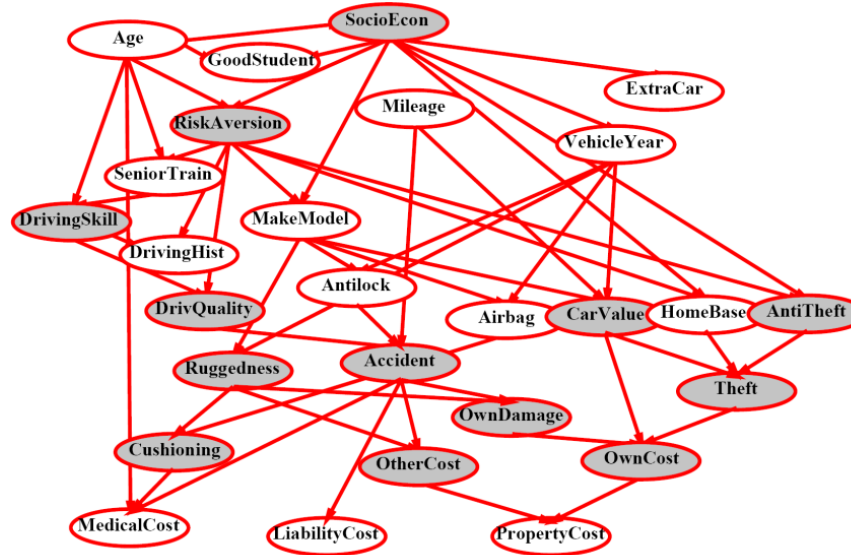


# Probability Recap

- Conditional probability  $P(x|y) = \frac{P(x, y)}{P(y)}$
- Product rule  $P(x, y) = P(x|y)P(y)$
- Chain rule 
$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) &= P(X_1)P(X_2|X_1)P(X_3|X_1, X_2) \dots \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i|X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}) \end{aligned}$$
- X, Y independent if and only if:  $\forall x, y : P(x, y) = P(x)P(y)$
- X and Y are conditionally independent given Z if and only if:  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y | Z$   
$$\forall x, y, z : P(x, y|z) = P(x|z)P(y|z)$$

# Bayes' Nets

- A Bayes' net is an efficient encoding of a probabilistic model of a domain



- Questions we can ask:
  - Inference: given a fixed BN, what is  $P(X \mid e)$ ?
  - Representation: given a BN graph, what kinds of distributions can it encode?
  - Modeling: what BN is most appropriate for a given domain?

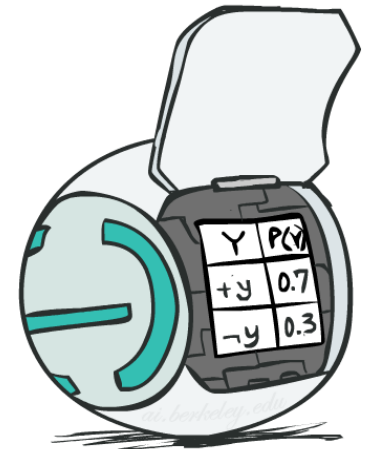
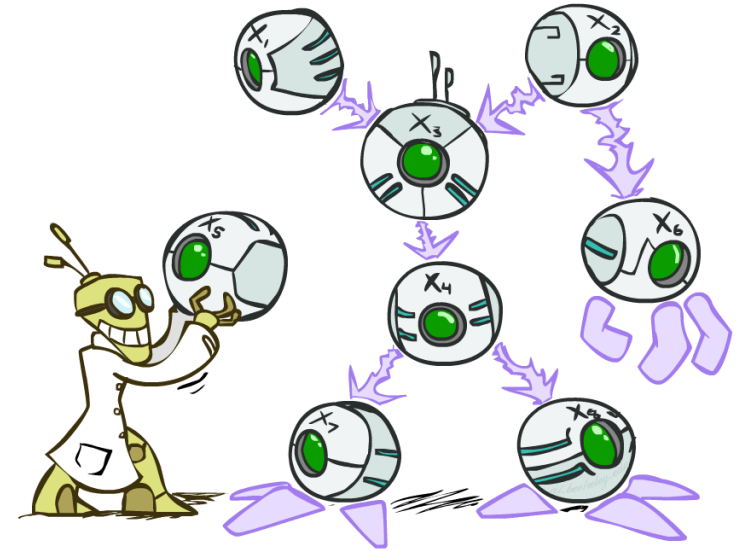
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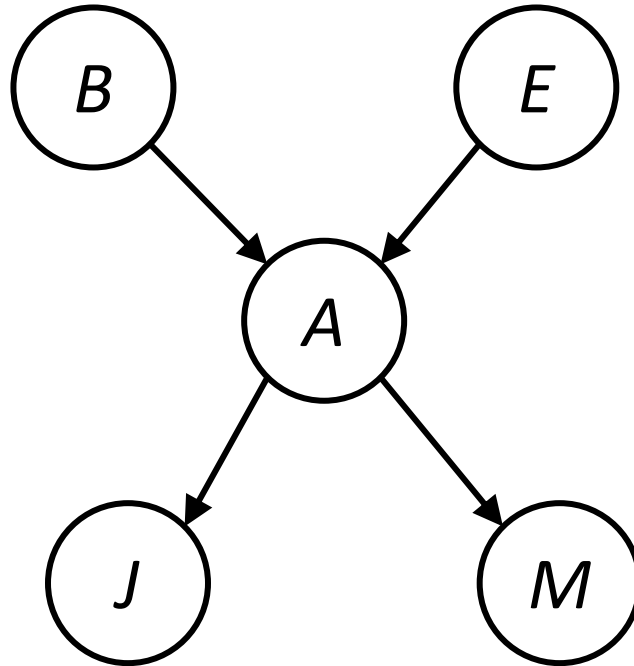
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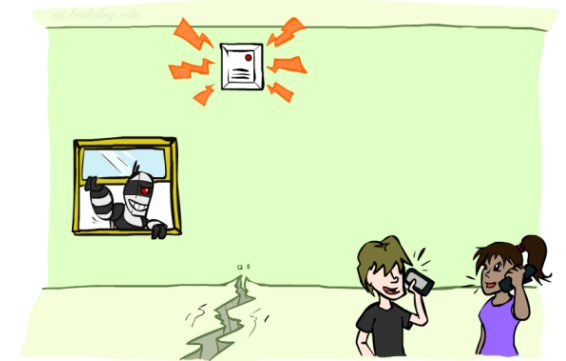
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+a	-m	0.3
-a	+m	0.01
-a	-m	0.99



B	E	A	P(A B,E)
+b	+e	+a	0.95
+b	+e	-a	0.05
+b	-e	+a	0.94
+b	-e	-a	0.06
-b	+e	+a	0.29
-b	+e	-a	0.71
-b	-e	+a	0.001
-b	-e	-a	0.999

$$P(+b, -e, +a, -j, +m) =$$

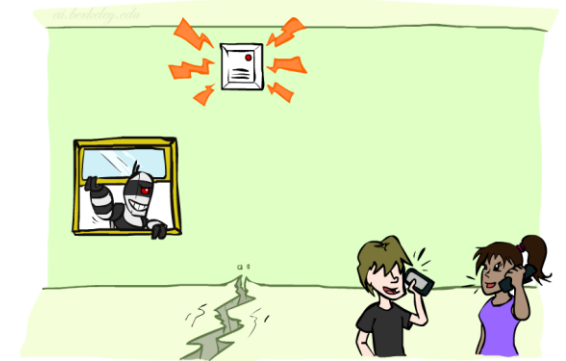
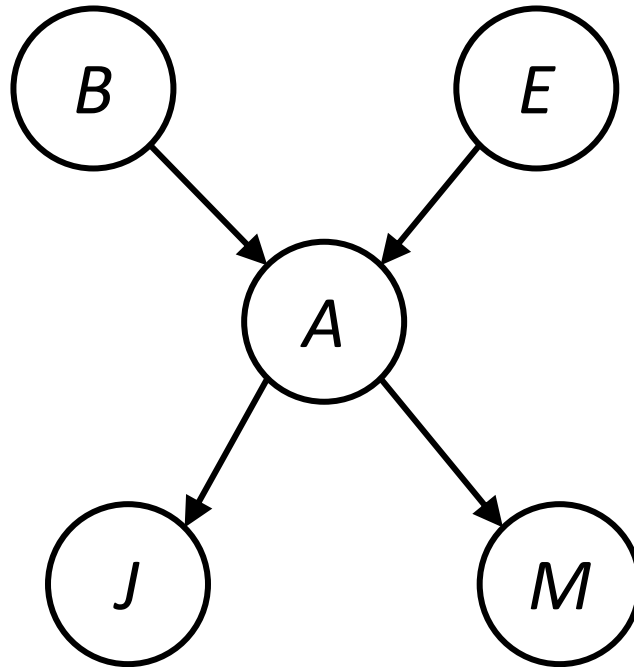
# Example: Alarm Network

B	P(B)
+b	0.001
-b	0.999

E	P(E)
+e	0.002
-e	0.998

A	J	P(J A)
+a	+j	0.9
+a	-j	0.1
-a	+j	0.05
-a	-j	0.95

A	M	P(M A)
+a	+m	0.7
+a	-m	0.3
-a	+m	0.01
-a	-m	0.99



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$$\begin{aligned}
 P(+b, -e, +a, -j, +m) &= \\
 P(+b)P(-e)P(+a|+b, -e)P(-j|+a)P(+m|+a) &= \\
 0.001 \times 0.998 \times 0.94 \times 0.1 \times 0.7 &
 \end{aligned}$$

# Size of a Bayes' Net

- How big is a joint distribution over  $N$  Boolean variables?

$$2^N$$

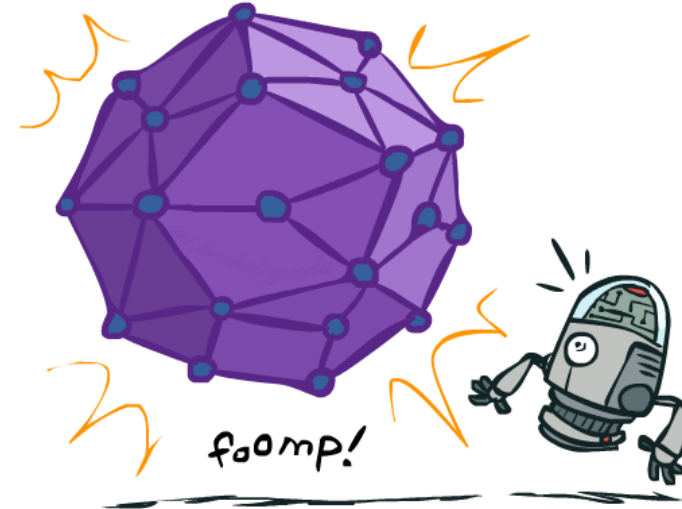
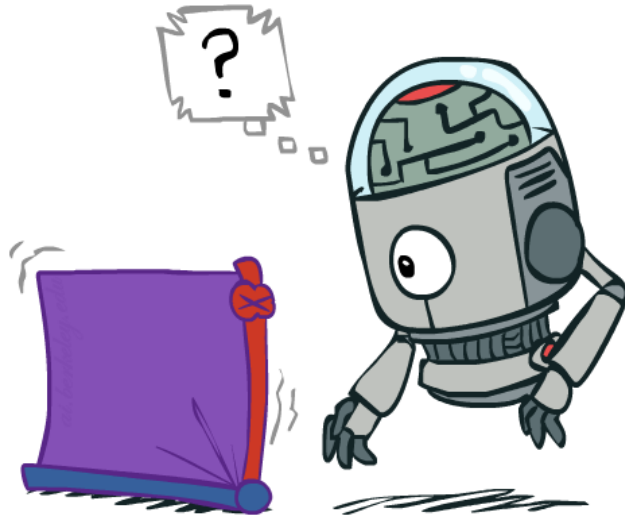
- How big is an  $N$ -node net if nodes have up to  $k$  parents?

$$O(N * 2^{k+1})$$

- Both give you the power to calculate

$$P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$

- BNs: Huge space savings!
- Also easier to elicit local CPTs
- Also faster to answer queries (coming)





# Bayes' Nets

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## ✓ Representation

- Conditional Independences
- Probabilistic Inference
- Learning Bayes' Nets from Data

# Conditional Independence

- X and Y are **independent** if

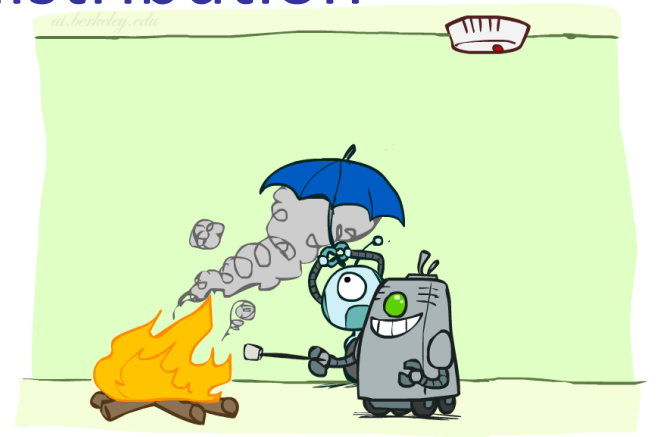
$$\forall x, y \quad P(x, y) = P(x)P(y) \quad \text{---} \rightarrow \quad X \perp Y$$

- X and Y are **conditionally independent** given Z

$$\forall x, y, z \quad P(x, y|z) = P(x|z)P(y|z) \quad \text{---} \rightarrow \quad X \perp Y|Z$$

- (Conditional) independence is a property of a distribution

- Example:  $Alarm \perp Fire|Smoke$

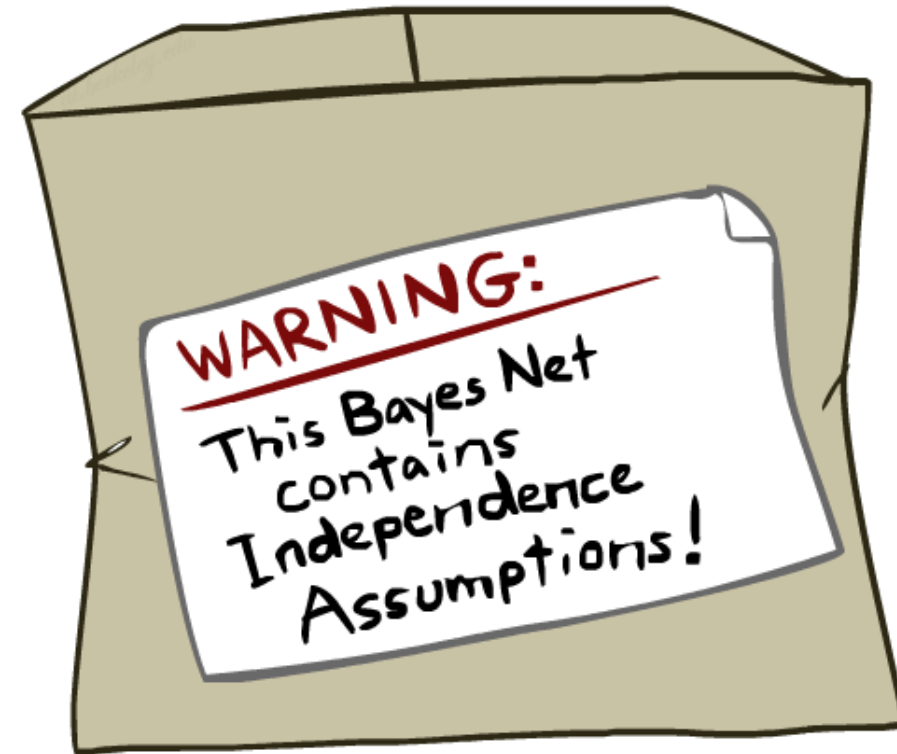


# Bayes Nets: Assumptions

- Assumptions we are required to make to define the Bayes net when given the graph:

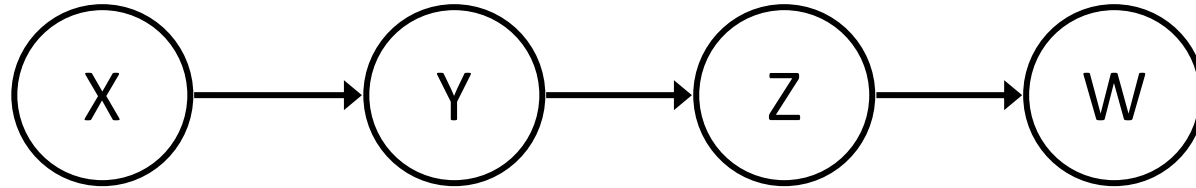
$$P(x_i | x_1 \cdots x_{i-1}) = P(x_i | \text{parents}(X_i))$$

- Beyond above “chain rule → Bayes net” conditional independence assumptions
  - Often additional conditional independences
  - They can be read off the graph
- Important for modeling: understand assumptions made when choosing a Bayes net graph



# Example

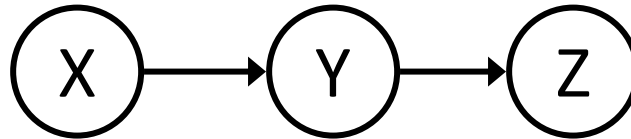
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- Conditional independence assumptions directly from simplifications in chain rule:
- Additional implied conditional independence assumptions?

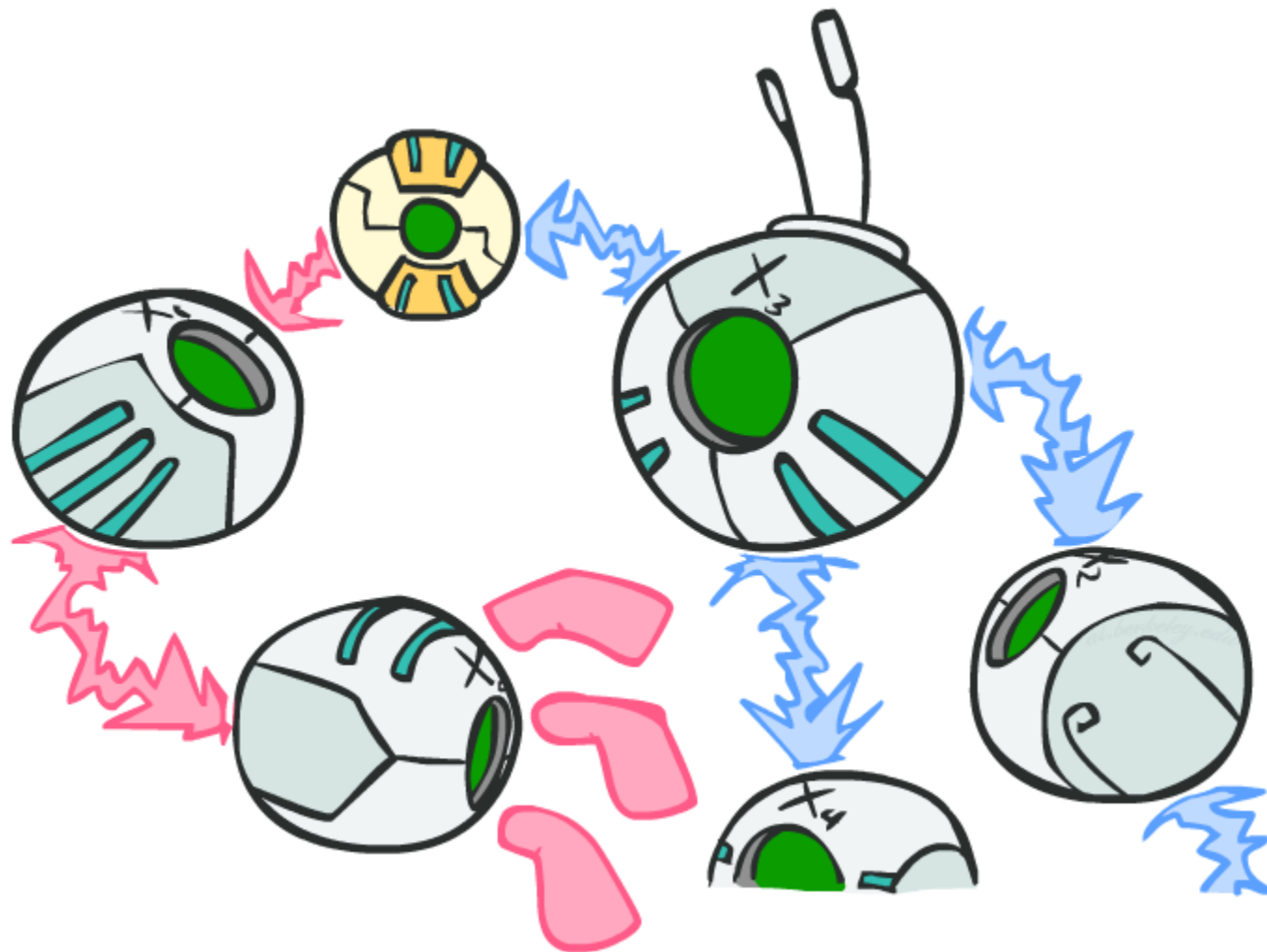
# Independence in a BN

- Important question about a BN:
  - Are two nodes independent given certain evidence?
  - If yes, can prove using algebra (tedious in general)
  - If no, can prove with a counter example
  - Example:



- Question: are X and Z necessarily independent?
  - Answer: no. Example: low pressure causes rain, which causes traffic.
  - X can influence Z, Z can influence X (via Y)
  - Addendum: they *could* be independent: how?

# D-separation: Outline



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- Study independence properties for triples
- Analyze complex cases in terms of member triples
- D-separation: a condition / algorithm for answering such queries

# Causal Chains

- This configuration is a “causal chain”



X: Low pressure

Y: Rain

Z: Traffic

$$P(x, y, z) = P(x)P(y|x)P(z|y)$$

- Guaranteed X independent of Z ? **No!**

- One example set of CPTs for which X is not independent of Z is sufficient to show this independence is not guaranteed.

- Example:

- Low pressure causes rain causes traffic, high pressure causes no rain causes no traffic

- In numbers:

$$P(+y \mid +x) = 1, P(-y \mid -x) = 1, \\ P(+z \mid +y) = 1, P(-z \mid -y) = 1$$



# Causal Chains

- This configuration is a “causal chain”

- Guaranteed X independent of Z given Y?



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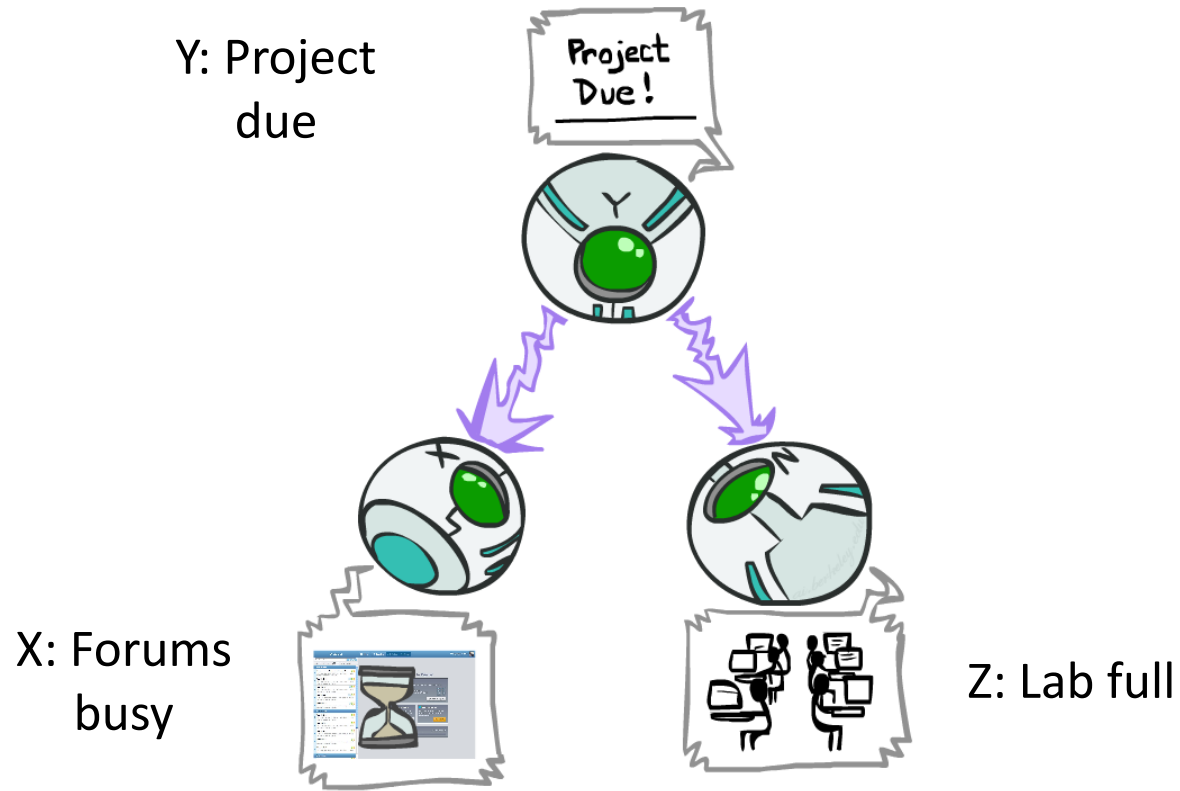
$$\begin{aligned} P(z|x, y) &= \frac{P(x, y, z)}{P(x, y)} \\ &= \frac{P(x)P(y|x)P(z|y)}{P(x)P(y|x)} \\ &= P(z|y) \end{aligned}$$

*Yes!*

- Evidence along the chain “blocks” the influence

# Common Cause

- This configuration is a “common cause”



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- Example:

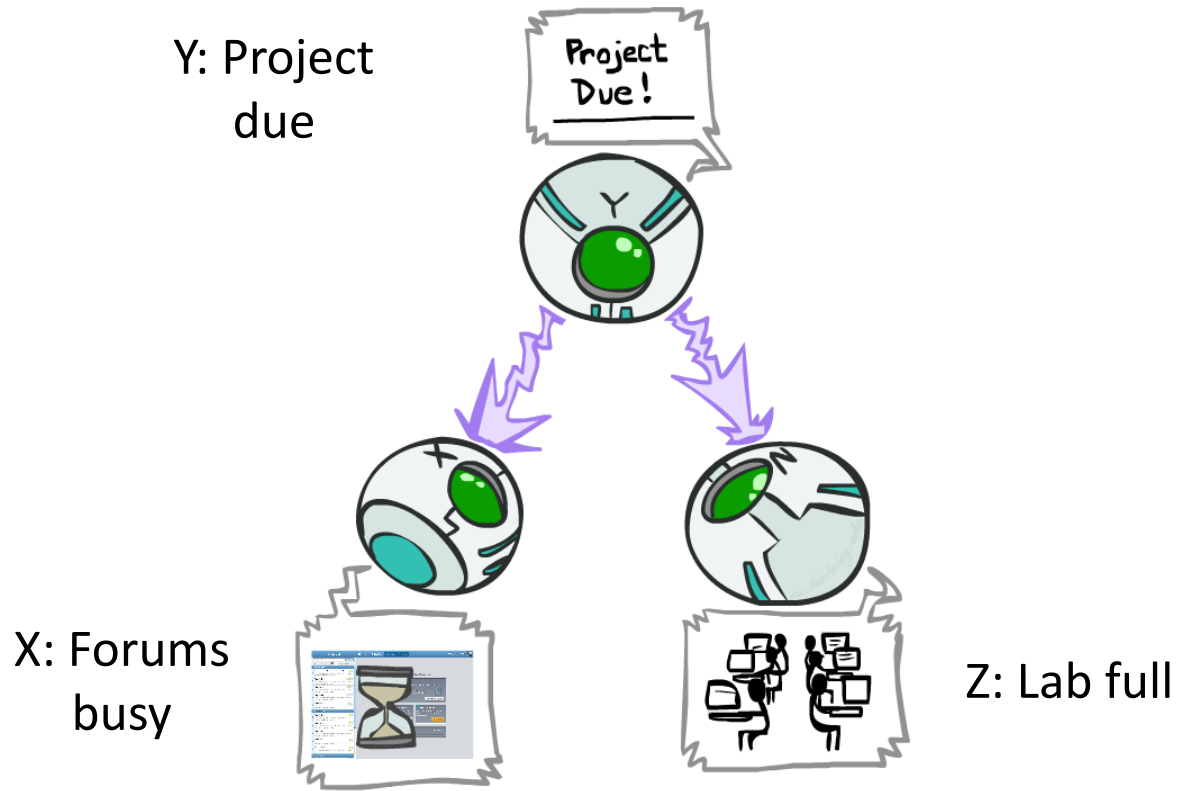
- Project due causes both forums busy and lab full

- In numbers:

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# Common Cause

- This configuration is a “common cause”
- Guaranteed X and Z independent given Y?



$$P(x, y, z) = P(y)P(x|y)P(z|y)$$

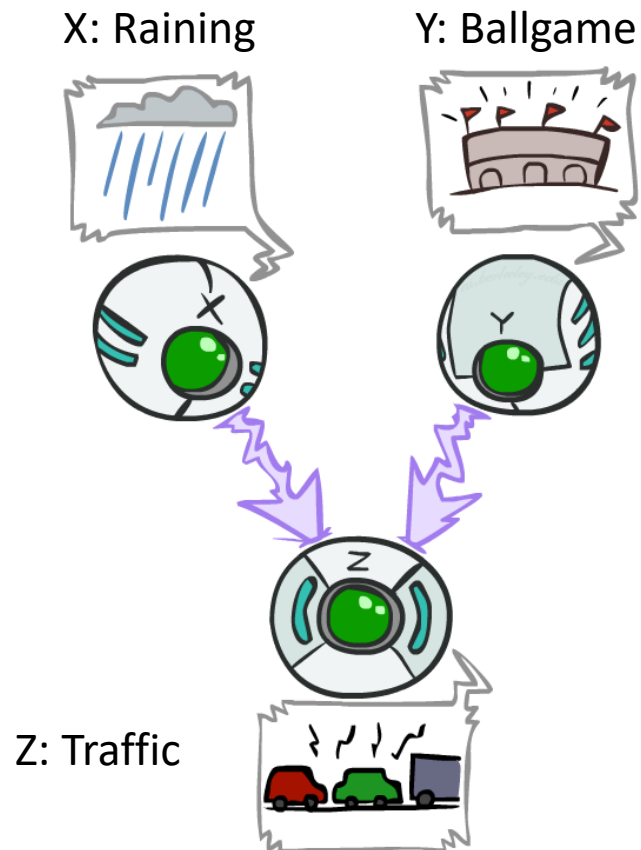
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**Yes!**

- Observing the cause blocks influence between effects.

# Common Effect

- Last configuration: two causes of one effect (v-structures)



- Are X and Y independent?
  - **Yes**: the ballgame and the rain cause traffic, but they are not correlated
  - Still need to prove they must be (try it!)
- Are X and Y independent given Z?
  - **No**: seeing traffic puts the rain and the ballgame in competition as explanation.
- **This is backwards from the other cases**
  - Observing an effect **activates** influence between possible causes.

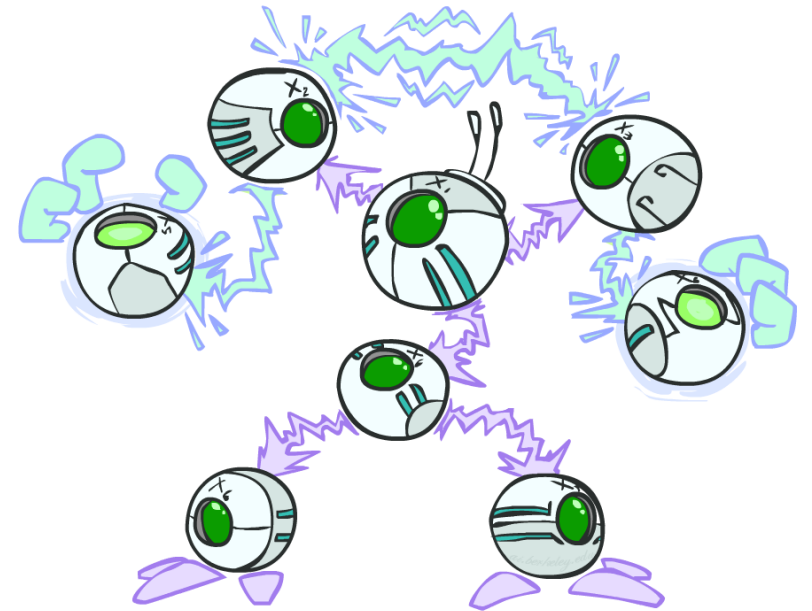
# The General Case

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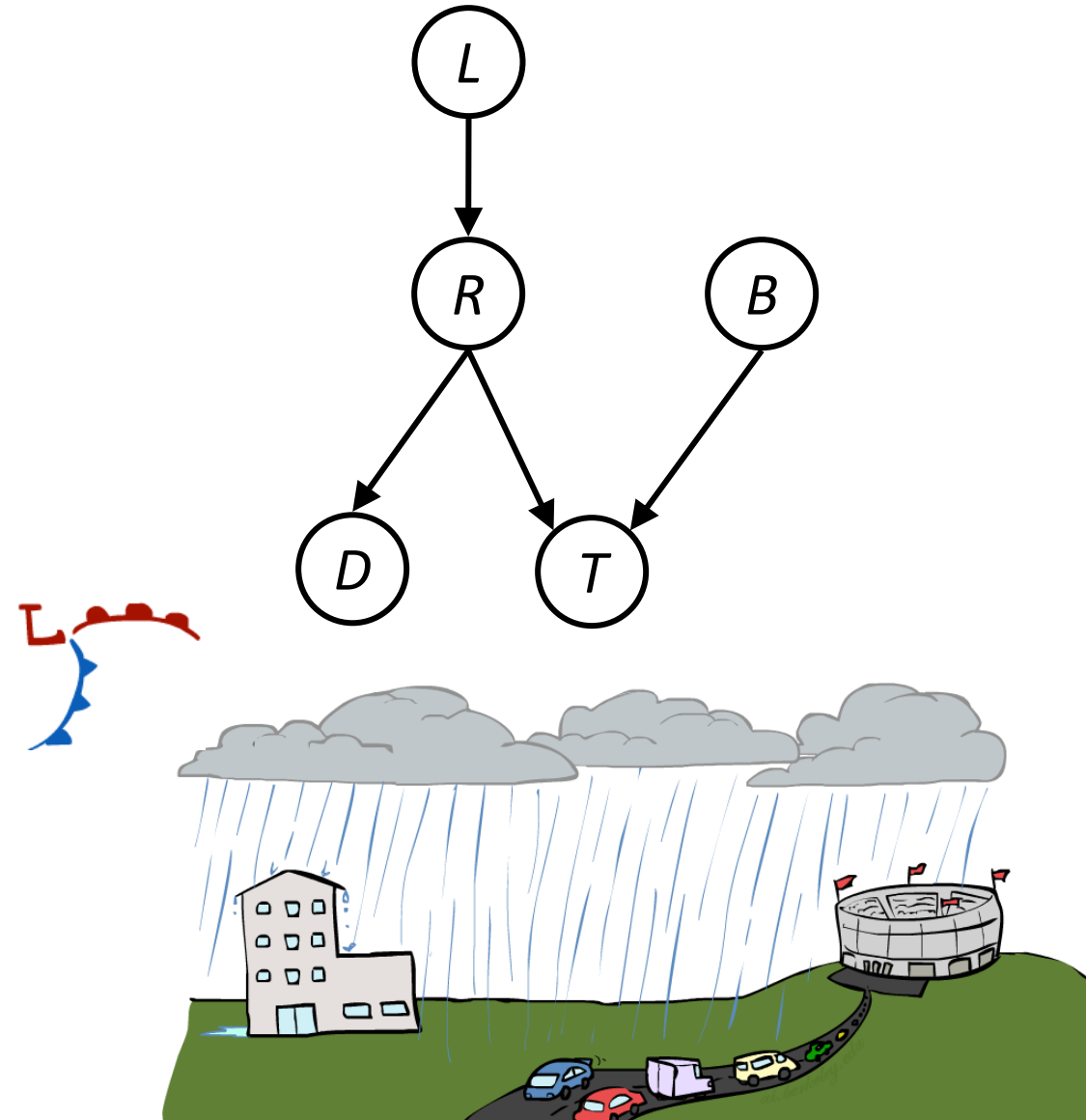
# The General Case

- General question: in a given BN, are two variables independent (given evidence)?
- Solution: analyze the graph
- Any complex example can be broken into repetitions of the three canonical cases



# Reachability

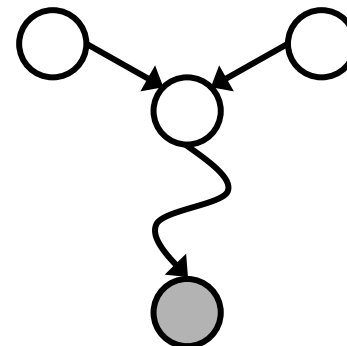
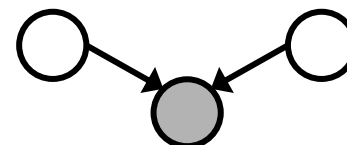
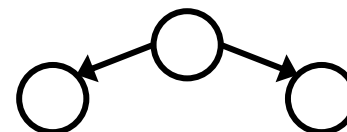
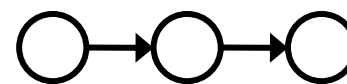
- Recipe: shade evidence nodes, look for paths in the resulting graph
- Attempt 1: if two nodes are connected by an undirected path not blocked by a shaded node, they are conditionally independent
- Almost works, but not quite
  - Where does it break?
  - Answer: the v-structure at T doesn't count as a link in a path unless "active"



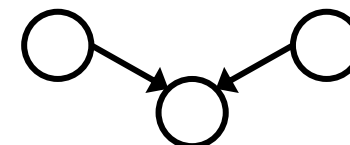
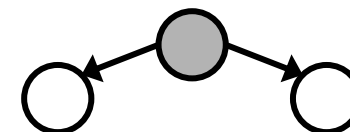
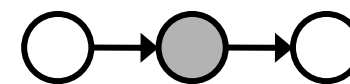
# Active / Inactive Paths

- Question: Are X and Y conditionally independent given evidence variables {Z}?
  - Yes, if X and Y “d-separated” by Z
  - Consider all (undirected) paths from X to Y
  - No active paths = independence!
- A path is active if each triple is active:
  - Causal chain  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$  where B is unobserved (either direction)
  - Common cause  $A \leftarrow B \rightarrow C$  where B is unobserved
  - Common effect (aka v-structure)  
 $A \rightarrow B \leftarrow C$  where B or one of its descendants is observed
- All it takes to block a path is a single inactive segment

Active Triples



Inactive Triples





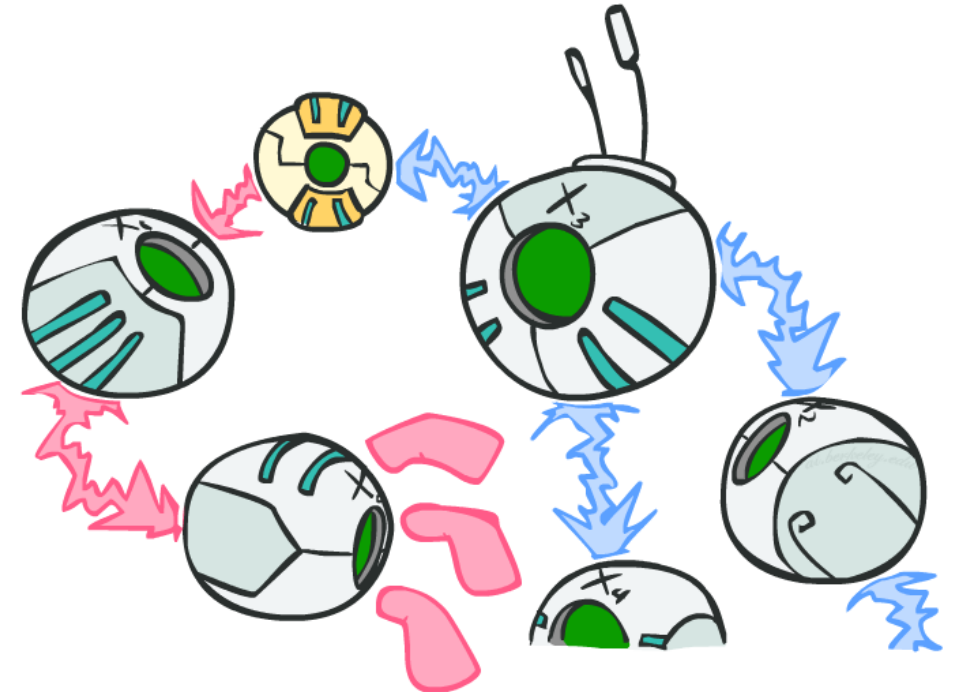
# D-Separation

- Query:  $X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j \mid \{X_{k_1}, \dots, X_{k_n}\} ?$
- Check all (undirected!) paths between  $X_i$  and  $X_j$ 
  - If one or more active, then independence not guaranteed

$$X_i \not\perp\!\!\!\perp X_j \mid \{X_{k_1}, \dots, X_{k_n}\}$$

- Otherwise (i.e. if all paths are inactive), then independence is guaranteed

$$X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j \mid \{X_{k_1}, \dots, X_{k_n}\}$$



# Example

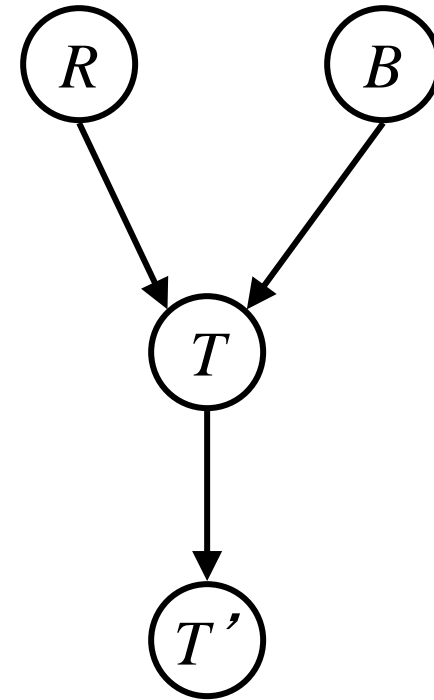
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$$R \perp\!\!\!\perp B$$

*Yes*

$$R \perp\!\!\!\perp B | T$$

$$R \perp\!\!\!\perp B | T'$$



# Example

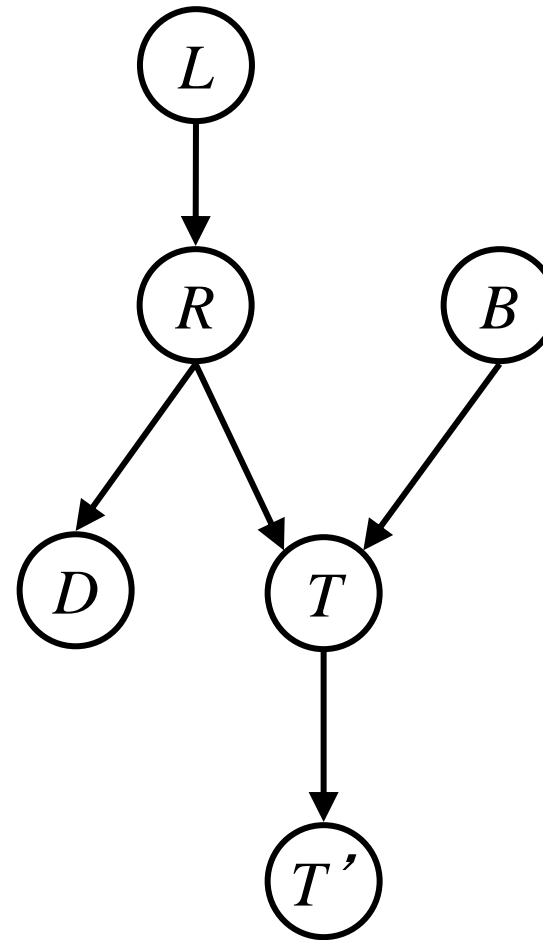
$L \perp\!\!\!\perp T' | T$  *Yes*

$L \perp\!\!\!\perp B$  *Yes*

$L \perp\!\!\!\perp B | T$

$L \perp\!\!\!\perp B | T'$

$L \perp\!\!\!\perp B | T, R$  *Yes*



# Example

- Variables:

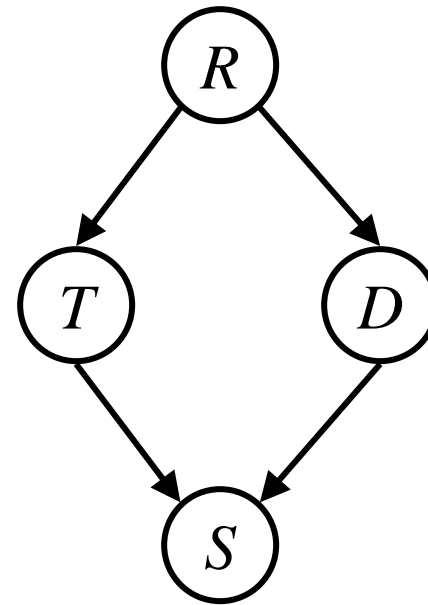
- R: Raining
- T: Traffic
- D: Roof drips
- S: I'm sad

- Questions:

$$T \perp\!\!\!\perp D$$

$$T \perp\!\!\!\perp D | R \quad \text{Yes}$$

$$T \perp\!\!\!\perp D | R, S$$

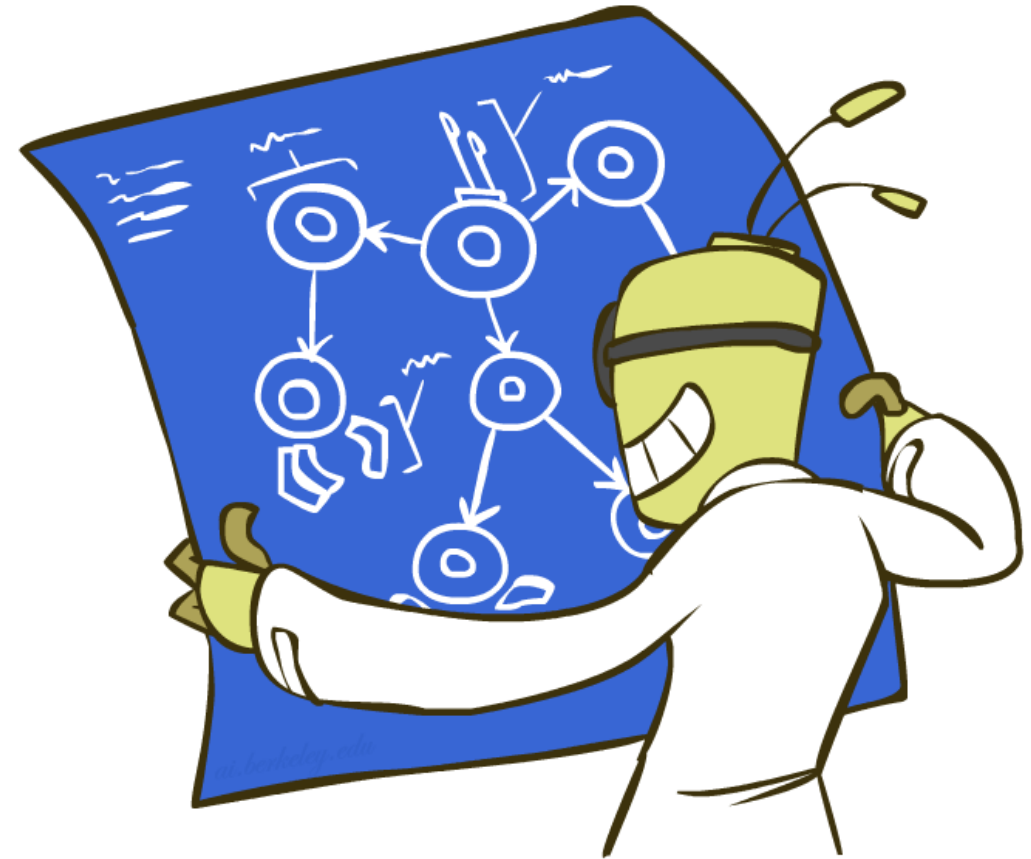


# Structure Implications

- Given a Bayes net structure, can run d-separation algorithm to build a complete list of conditional independences that are necessarily true of the form

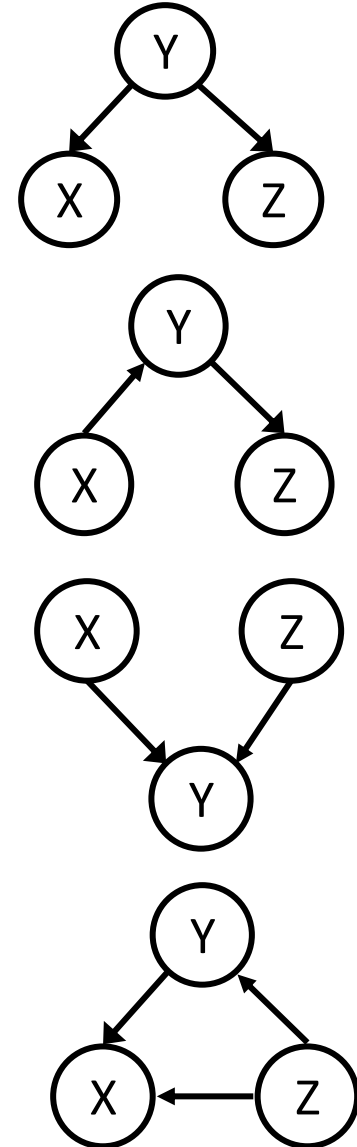
$$X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j | \{X_{k_1}, \dots, X_{k_n}\}$$

- This list determines the set of probability distributions that can be represented



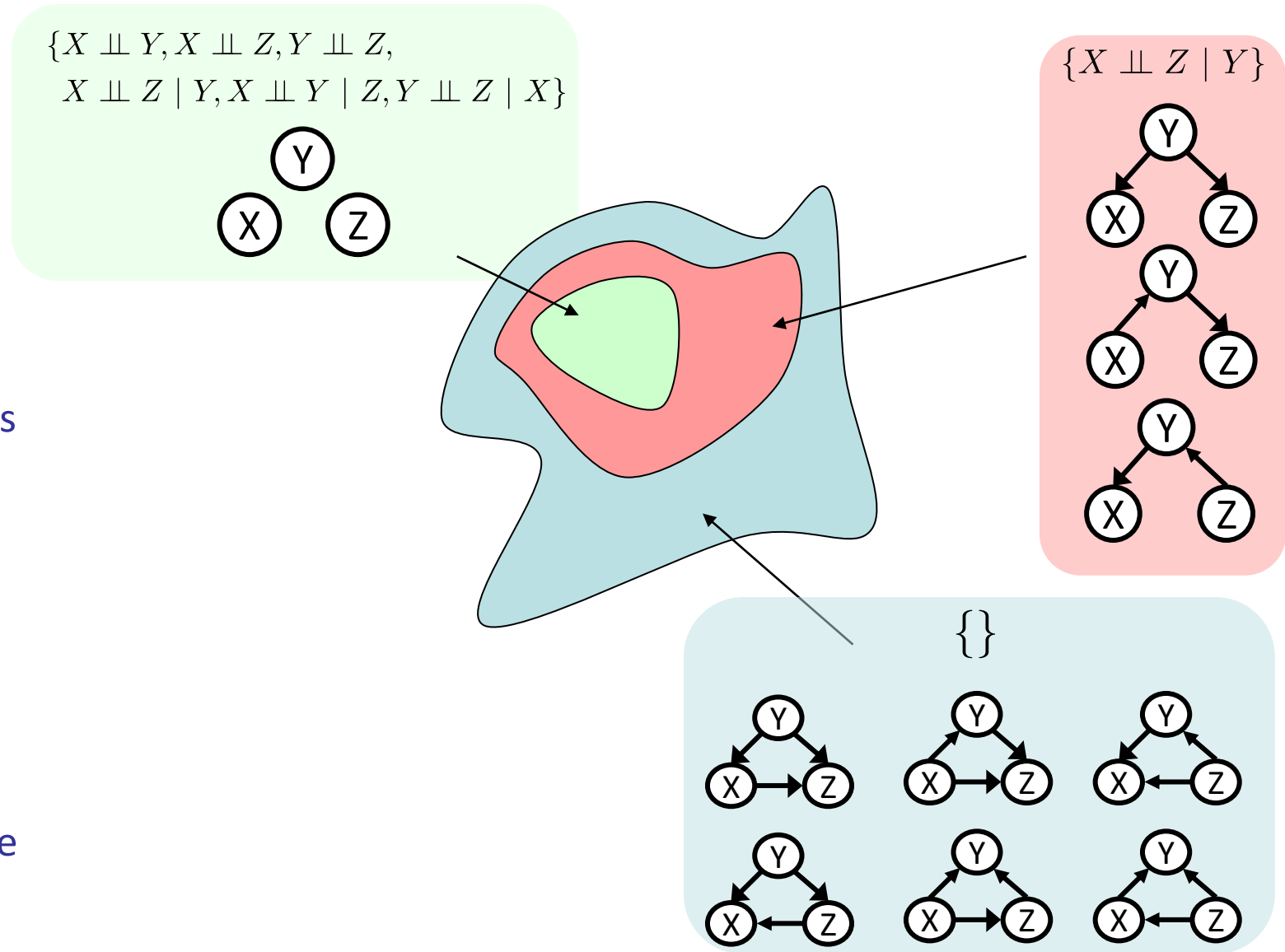
# Computing All Independences

COMPUTE ALL THE  
INDEPENDENCES!



# Topology Limits Distributions

- Given some graph topology  $G$ , only certain joint distributions can be encoded
- The graph structure guarantees certain (conditional) independences
- (There might be more independence)
- Adding arcs increases the set of distributions, but has several costs
- Full conditioning can encode any distribution



# Bayes Nets Representation Summary

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- Bayes nets compactly encode joint distributions
- Guaranteed independencies of distributions can be deduced from BN graph structure
- D-separation gives precise conditional independence guarantees from graph alone
- A Bayes' net's joint distribution may have further (conditional) independence that is not detectable until you inspect its specific distribution



# Bayes' Nets

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✓ Representation

✓ Conditional Independences

- Probabilistic Inference

- Enumeration (exact, exponential complexity)
- Variable elimination (exact, worst-case exponential complexity, often better)
- Probabilistic inference is NP-complete
- Sampling (approximate)

- Learning Bayes' Nets from Data

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