

# STAT650 F2021 HW3 Solution

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## Problem 1

Airports have installed detection systems that determine whether a bag contains explosives or not. The system has a 95% chance of correctly indentifying a bag containing explosives, and a 99.5% chance of correctly classifying a bag without explosives as safe. A particular airport screens 3 million bags per year and it anticipated that of these bags, 10 will contain explosives.

- a. What is the change that a bag identified as containing explosives actually does contain explosives?

**Solution:**

Define the events as follows:

- +: "Postivie Detection".
- -: "Negative Detection".
- $E$ : "Contains Explosives".
- $nE$ : "Does not contain explosives".

Then we are given:  $P(+|E) = 0.95$ ,  $P(-|nE) = 0.995$ ,  $P(E) = \frac{10}{3,000,000} = \frac{1}{300,000}$ .

The problem translates to  $P(E|+)$ . By Baye's Theorem, this equals:

$$\begin{aligned} P(E|+) &= \frac{P(E)P(+|E)}{P(+)} \\ &= \frac{P(E)P(+|E)}{P(+)} \\ &= \frac{P(E)P(+|E)}{P(+|E)P(E) + P(+|nE)P(nE)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{300,000} \cdot 0.95}{\frac{1}{300,000} \cdot 0.95 + \frac{299,999}{300,000} (1 - 0.995)} \approx 0.00063 \end{aligned}$$

- b. If we wanted this probability to be at least 0.5. then what should the probability of correctly identifying a bag not containing explosives need to be?

**Solution:**

We want this probability to be  $\geq 0.5$  by manipulating  $P(+|nE)$ . So we want:  $\frac{P(E)P(+|E)}{P(+|E)P(E) + P(+|nE)P(nE)} \geq \frac{1}{2}$ . We reearange this inequality as below:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{P(E)P(+|E)}{P(+|E)P(E) + P(+|nE)P(nE)} &\geq \frac{1}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2P(E)P(+|E) &\geq P(+|E)P(E) + P(+|nE)P(nE) \\ \Rightarrow P(E)P(+|E) &\geq P(+|nE)P(nE) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{P(E)P(+|E)}{P(nE)} &\geq P(+|nE) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{0.95}{300,000}}{\frac{299,999}{300,000}} &\geq P(+|nE) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{19}{5999980} &\geq P(+|nE) \end{aligned}$$

So we would want the probability of correctlty identifying bags NOT containing explosives to be at least  $1 - \frac{19}{5999980} \approx 99.9997\%$ .

- c. Is it possible to obtain a probability of 0.5 of correctly identifying a bag as containing explosives by instead increasing the chance of correctly identifying bags containing explosives? Explain your answer.

**Solution:**

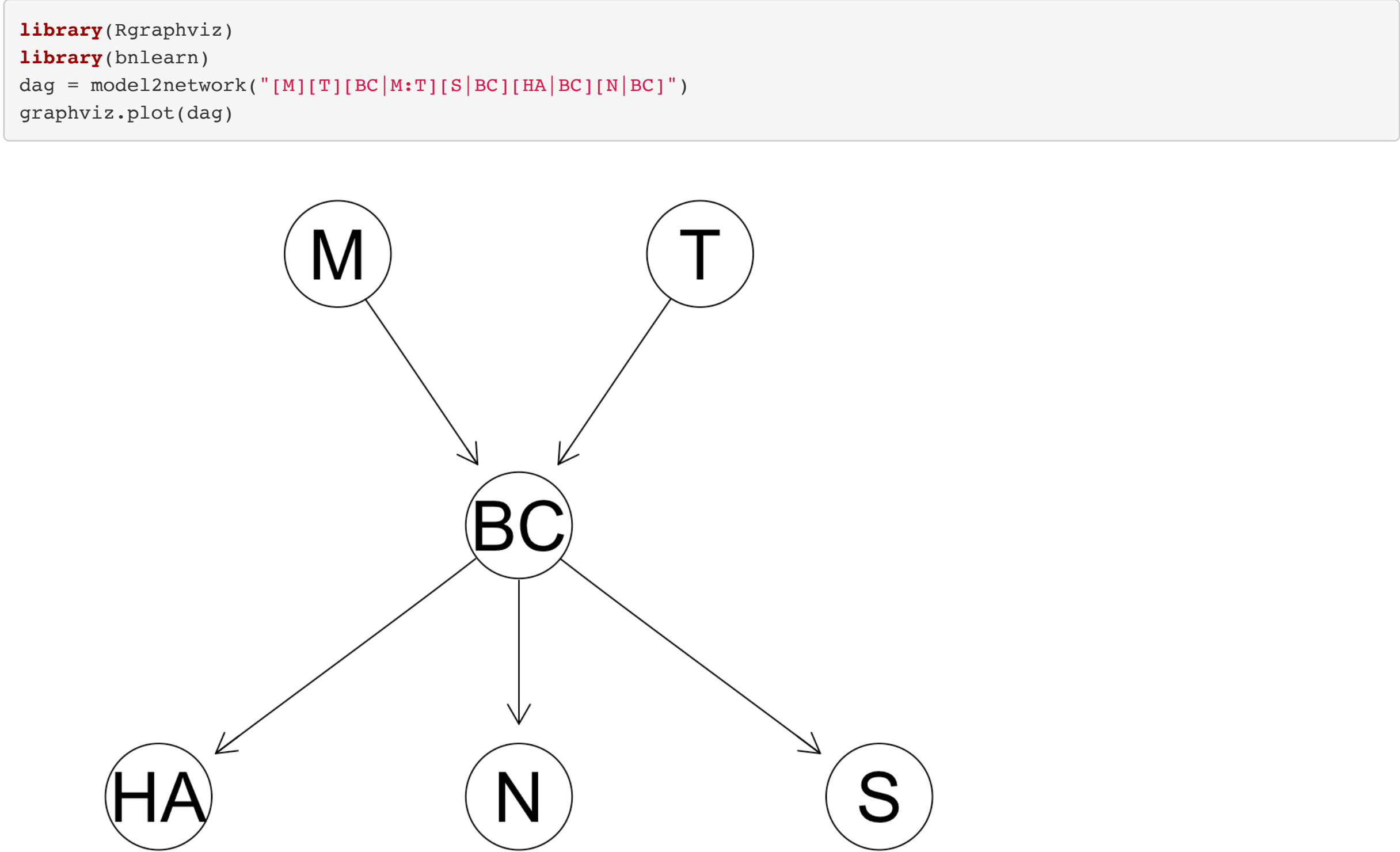
No. Let the probability of correctly identifying bags containing explosives equal 1, i.e  $P(+|E) = 1$ , the probability of correctly identifying a bag as containing explosive  $P(E|+) = \frac{1}{1 \cdot \frac{1}{300,000} + (1 - 0.995) \cdot \frac{299,999}{300,000}} = 6.66 \times 10^{-4}$ . Even if  $P(+|E) = 1$ ,  $P(E|+)$  is stil very small.

## Problem 2

Certain medications and traumas can both cause blood clots. A blood clot can lead to a stroke, heart attack, or it could simply dissolve on its own and have no health implications.

- a. Create a DAG that represents this situation.

**Solution:**



- b. The following probability information is given where M = medication, T = trauma, BC = blood clot, HA = heart attach, N = nothing, and S = stroke. T stands for true, or this event did occur. F stands for false, or this event did not occur.

<b>P(M=T)</b>	0.2
<b>P(M=F)</b>	0.8
<b>P(T=T)</b>	0.05
<b>P(T=F)</b>	0.95

<b>M</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>P(BC=T)</b>	<b>P(BC=F)</b>
T	T	0.95	0.05
T	F	0.3	0.7
F	T	0.6	0.4
F	F	0.9	0.1

<b>BC</b>	<b>P(HA=T)</b>	<b>P(HA=F)</b>	<b>P(S=T)</b>	<b>P(S=F)</b>	<b>P(N=T)</b>	<b>P(N=F)</b>
T	0.4	0.6	0.35	0.65	0.25	0.75
F	0.15	0.85	0.1	0.9	0.75	0.25

What is the probability that a person will develop a blood clot as a result of both medication and trauma, then have no medical implications?

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} P(BC = T, N = T | M = T, T = T) \\ &= P(N = T | BC = T, M = T, T = T)P(BC = T | M = T, T = T) \\ &= P(N = T | BC = T)P(BC = T | M = T, T = T) \\ &= .75 * .95 = .2375 \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 3

**Bayesian Network** The following Bayesian network represents a joint distribution over the variables: Season(S), Flu(F), Dehydration(D), Chills(C), Headache(H), Nausea(N), and Dizziness(Z). The conditional probability tables for Bayesian network are shown below.

- a. What is the probability that you have the flu, given that it is winter, you have a headache, and you know that you are dehydrated?

**Solution:**

This translates to  $P(\text{Flu} = \text{true} \mid \text{Season} = \text{winter}, \text{Headache} = \text{true}, \text{Dehydration} = \text{true})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P(F = \text{true} \mid S = \text{winter}, H = \text{true}, D = \text{true}) \\ &= \frac{P(F = \text{true}, S = \text{winter}, H = \text{true}, D = \text{true})}{P(S = \text{winter}, H = \text{true}, D = \text{true})} \\ &= \frac{P(F = \text{true}, S = \text{winter}, H = \text{true}, D = \text{true})}{\sum_s P(\text{Flu} = f, S = \text{winter}, H = \text{true}, D = \text{true})} \\ &= \frac{P(H = \text{true} \mid F = \text{true}, D = \text{true})P(F = \text{true} \mid S = \text{winter})P(D = \text{true} \mid S = \text{winter})P(S = \text{winter})}{\sum_s P(H = \text{true} \mid F = f, D = \text{true})P(F = f \mid S = \text{winter})P(D = \text{true} \mid S = \text{winter})P(S = \text{winter})} \\ &= \frac{0.9 \cdot 0.4 \cdot 0.1 \cdot 0.5}{0.9 \cdot 0.4 \cdot 0.1 \cdot 0.5 + 0.8 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.1 \cdot 0.5} = \frac{0.018}{0.018 + 0.024} = 0.43 \end{aligned}$$

- b. Does knowing you are dehydrated increase or decrease your probability of having the flu? Intuitively, does this make sense?

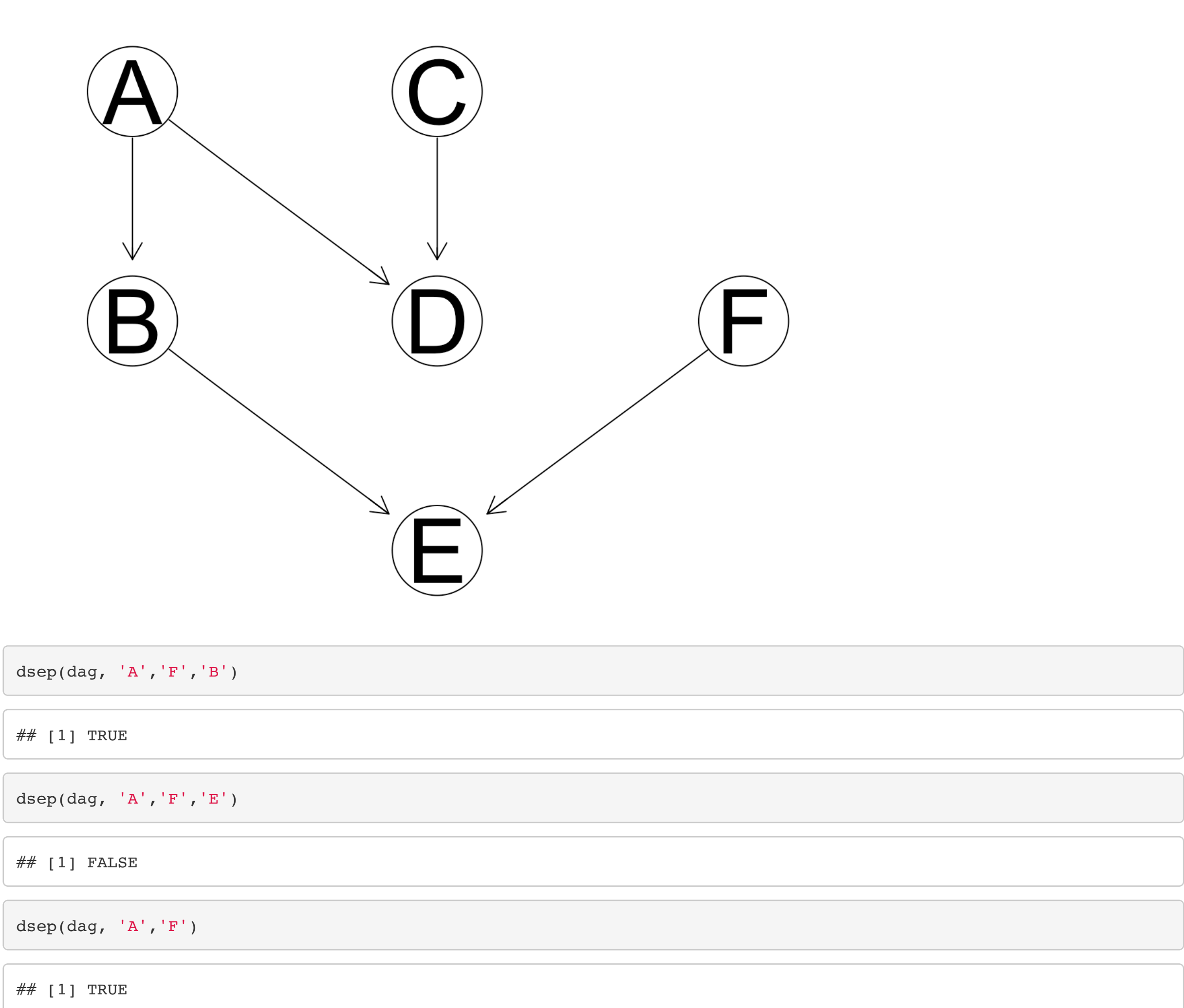
$$\begin{aligned} P(F = \text{true} | D = \text{true}) &= \frac{P(F = \text{true}, D = \text{true})}{\sum_s P(F = f, D = \text{true})} \\ &= \frac{\sum_s P(F = \text{true}, D = \text{true} | S = s)P(S = s)}{\sum_f \sum_s P(F = f, D = \text{true} | S = s)P(S = s)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_s P(F = \text{true} | S = s)P(D = \text{true} | S = s)P(S = s)}{\sum_f \sum_s P(F = f | S = s)P(D = \text{true} | S = s)P(S = s)} \\ &= \frac{0.1 * 0.3 * 0.5 + 0.4 * 0.1 * 0.5}{0.1 * 0.3 * 0.5 + 0.4 * 0.1 * 0.5 + 0.9 * 0.3 * 0.5 + 0.6 * 0.3 * 0.5} = 0.175 \\ P(F = \text{true}) &= \sum_s P(F = \text{true} | S = s)P(S = s) = 0.4 * 0.5 + 0.1 * 0.5 = 0.25. \end{aligned}$$

Knowing the that you are dehydrated decrease the likelihood that you have the flu. This makes sense because the headache symptom is "explained away" by dehydration.

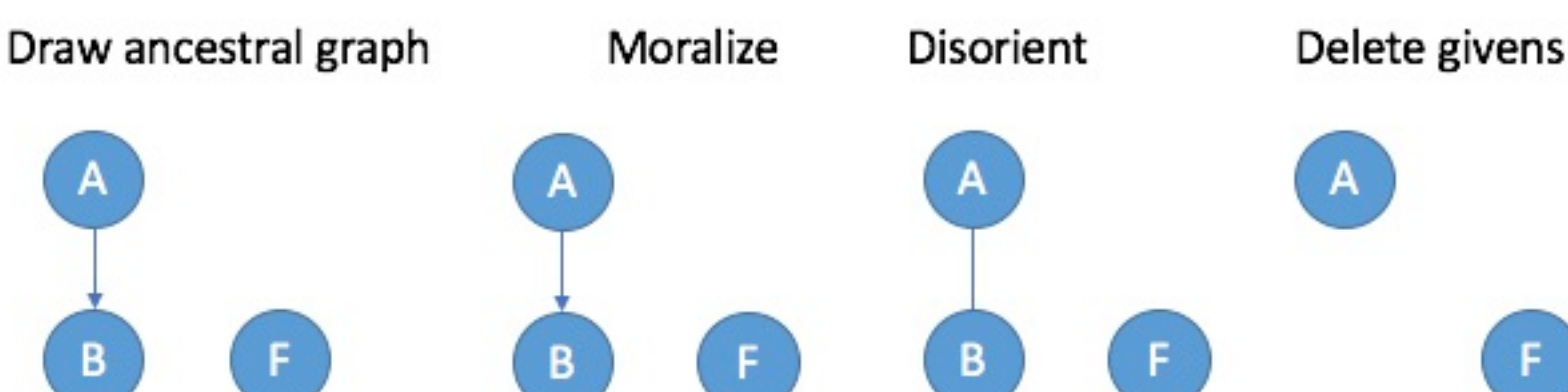
## Problem 4

Write R codes to recover the following Bayesian network and answer the following questions. Explain your answer and write R codes to verify if your reasoning is correct.

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# install.packages("BiocManager")
# BiocManager::install("Rgraphviz")
library(Rgraphviz)
library(bnlearn)
# load the data.
data(learning.test)
# create and plot the network structure.
dag = model2network("[A][C][F][B][A][D][A:C][E][B:F]")
graphviz.plot(dag)
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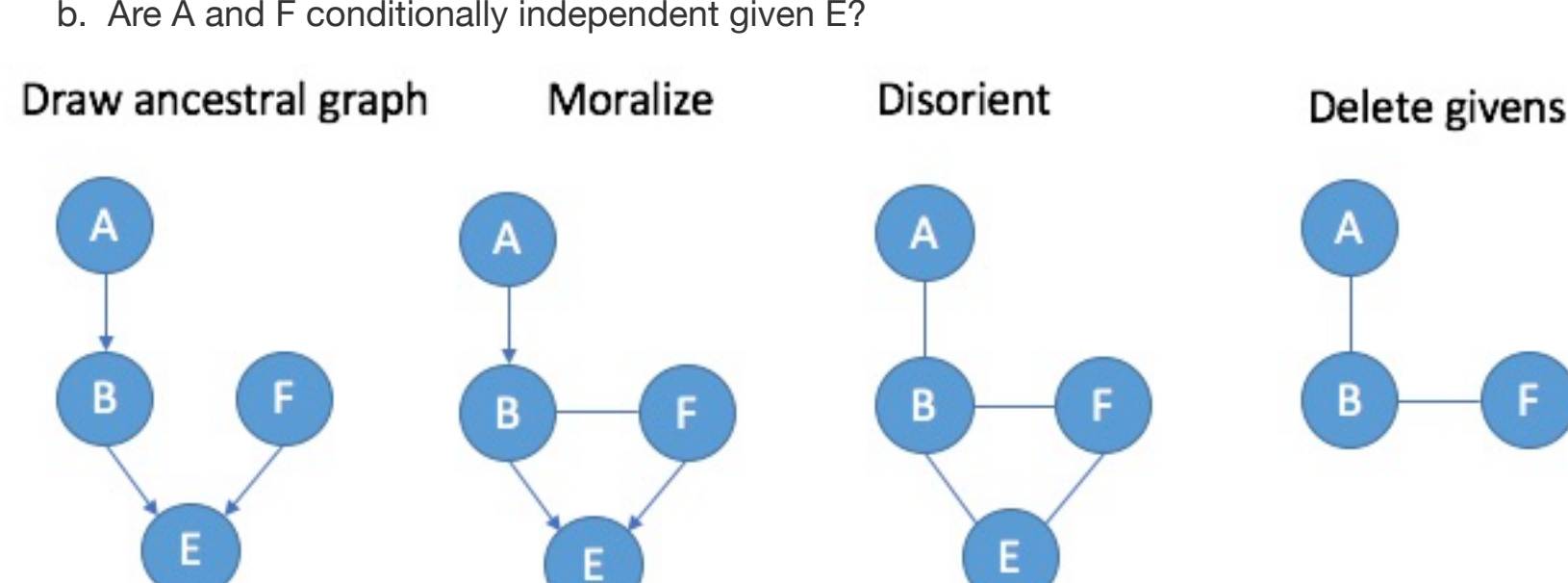


- a. Are A and F conditionally independent given B?



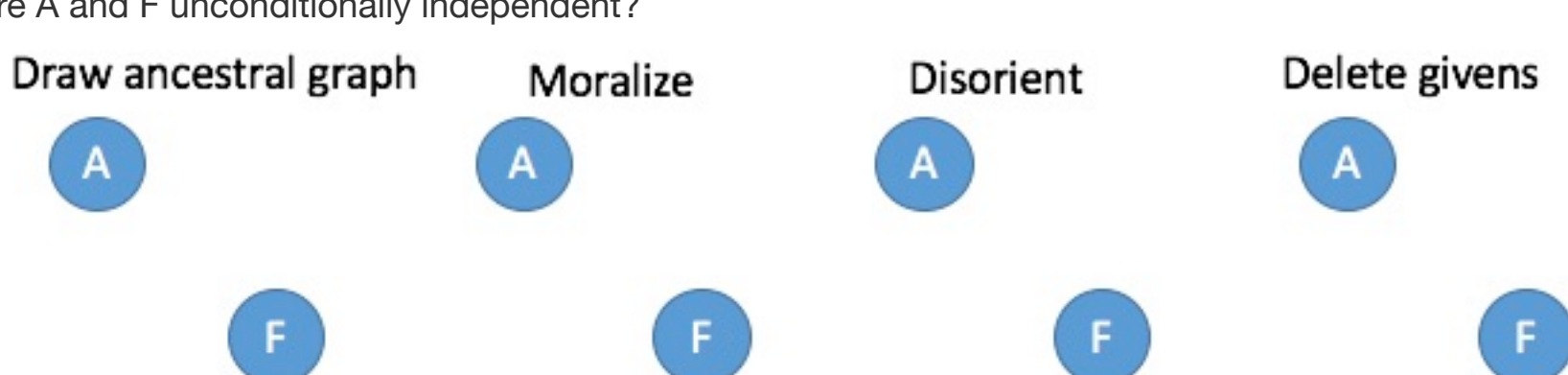
Yes, A and F are not connected.

- b. Are A and F conditionally independent given E?



No, A and F are connected through B.

- c. Are A and F unconditionally independent?



Yes, A and F are not connected.