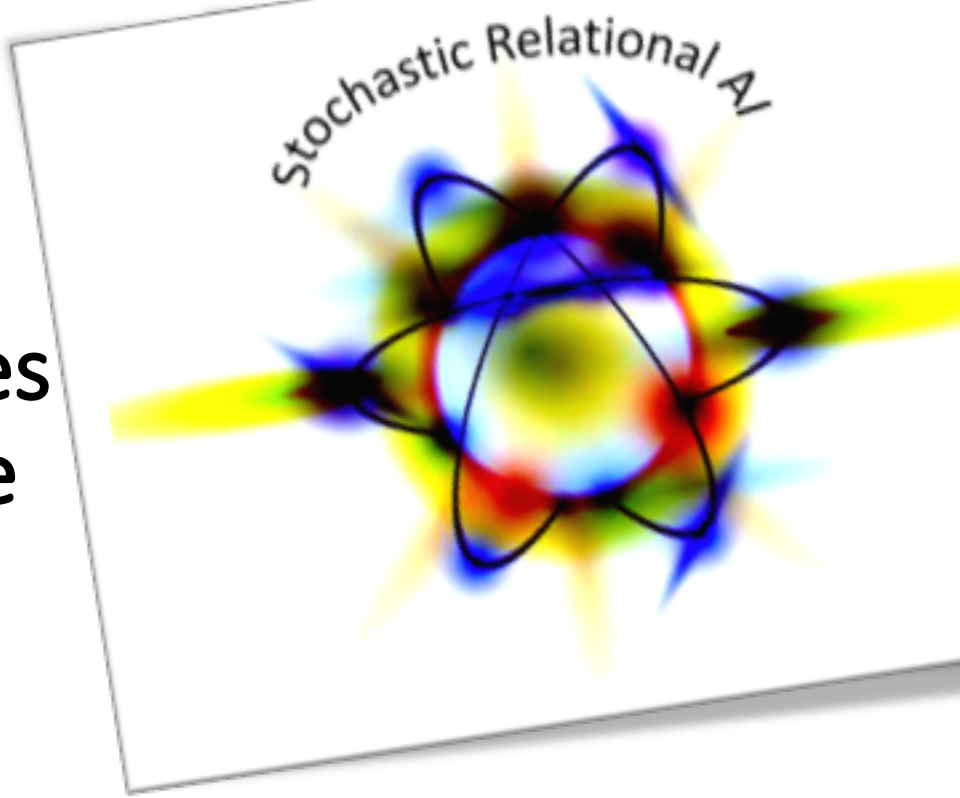


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Semantics & Symmetries in Exact Lifted Inference

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Agenda

- Probabilistic relational models (PRMs) [Ralf]
 - Application example
 - Semantics, static vs. dynamic behavior
 - Query answering / basic inference
 - Variants: raw PRMs, MLNs, ...
- Exact symmetries and changing domains in static PRMs [Tanya]
- Stable inference over time in dynamic PRMs [Marcel]
- Summary [Tanya]



Goal:
Overview
of central
ideas

Application: Epidemics

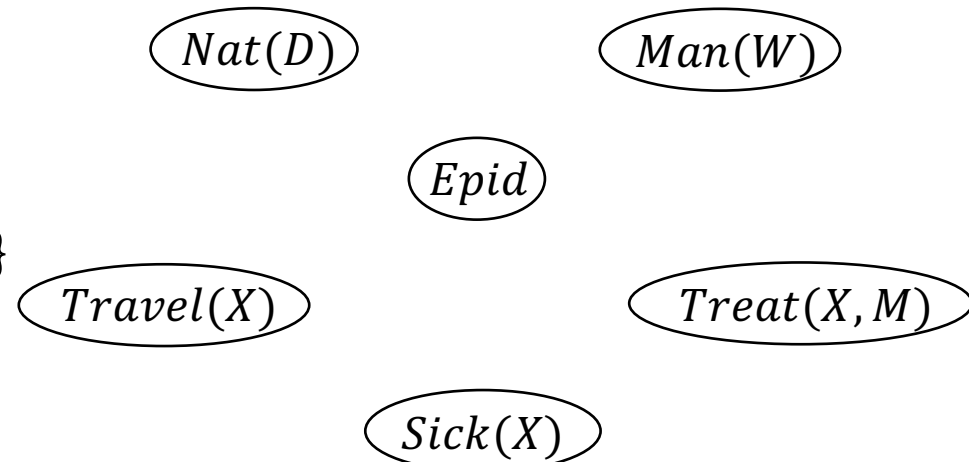
- Atoms: Parameterised random variables = PRVs

- With logical variables

- E.g., X, M
- Possible values (domain):
 $\mathcal{D}(X) = \{alice, eve, bob\}$
 $\mathcal{D}(M) = \{injection, tablet\}$

- With range

- E.g., Boolean
- $range(Travel(X))$
 $r(Travel(X))$



$Nat(D) = \text{natural disaster } (D)$

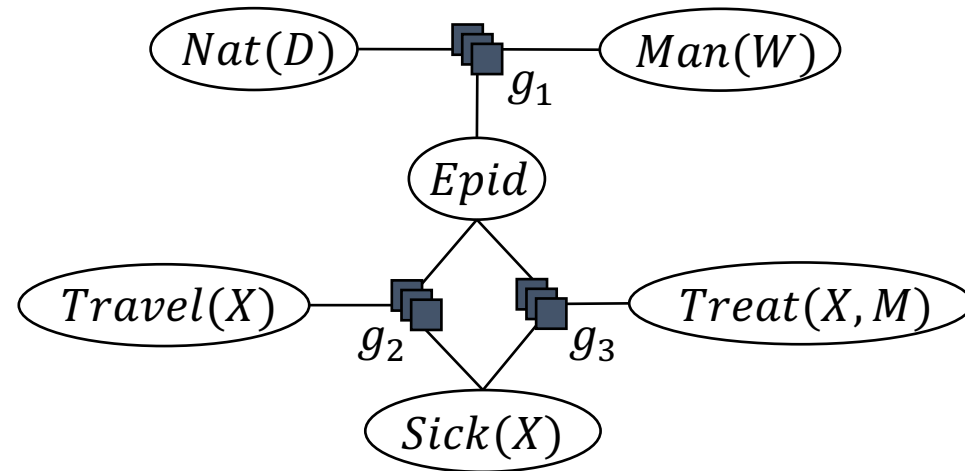
$Man(W) = \text{man-made disaster } (W)$

Encoding the Joint Distribution

- Factors with PRVs = **parfactors**
 - (Graphical) Model G
 - E.g., g_2

<i>Travel(X)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(X)</i>	g_2
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	5
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	0
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<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	6
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	4
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	6
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	2
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	9

**Sparse encoding
of joint distribution**



$Nat(D)$ = natural disaster (D)

$Man(W)$ = man-made disaster (W)

$3 \cdot 2^3 = 24$ entries in 3 parfactors, 6 PRVs

Factors

- Grounding

- E.g., $gr(g_2) = \{f_2^1, f_2^2, f_2^3\}$

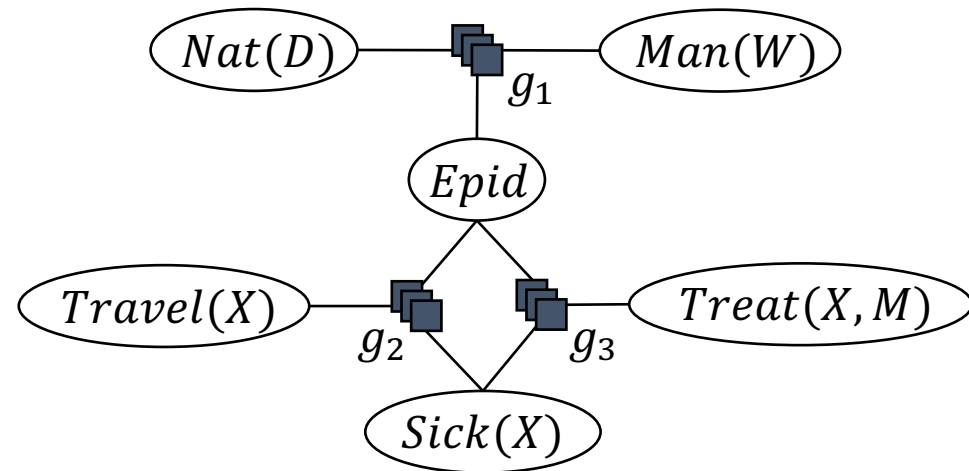
		<i>Travel(eve) Epid Sick(eve) f_2^1</i>							
<i>Travel(X)</i>	<i>Epid</i>					<i>Travel(bob)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(bob)</i>	f_2^3
<i>Travel(alice)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	false	false	false	5	<i>Travel(bob)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(bob)</i>	f_2^3
		false	false	true	0	<i>Travel(bob)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(bob)</i>	f_2^3
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Semantics of a PRM

- Joint probability distribution P_G by grounding

$$P_G = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{f \in gr(G)} f$$

$$Z = \sum_{v \in r(rv(gr(G)))} \prod_{f \in gr(G)} f_i(\pi_{rv(f_i)}(v))$$



Multiplication

Multiplication: „join“ over shared randvars and a product of potentials

$$f_2^2(\text{Travel}(\text{eve}), \text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(\text{eve})) \cdot f_3^2(\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(\text{eve}), \text{Treat}(\text{eve}, m_1)) \\ = f_{23}(\text{Travel}(\text{eve}), \text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(\text{eve}), \text{Treat}(\text{eve}))$$

<i>Travel(eve)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(eve)</i>	f_2^2
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	5
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	0
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	4
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<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(eve)</i>	<i>Treat(eve, m₁)</i>	f_3^2
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	9
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	1
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	4
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	2
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	2
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	6
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Multiplication: Join and Product

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<i>Travel(eve)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(eve)</i>	<i>Treat(eve, m₁)</i>	f_{23}
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<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(eve)</i>	<i>Treat(eve, m₁)</i>	f_3^2
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	9
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<i>Travel(eve)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(eve)</i>	<i>Treat(eve, m₁)</i>	f_{23}
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	5 · 9
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	5 · 1

Result

<i>Travel(eve)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(eve)</i>	<i>Treat(eve, m₁)</i>	<i>f₂₃</i>
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	45
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	5
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	0
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	0
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	8
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	24
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	36
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	54
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	36
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	4
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	24
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	12
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	4
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Queries

- **Marginal** distribution

- $P(\text{Sick}(\text{eve}))$
- $P(\text{Travel}(\text{eve},) \text{ Treat}(\text{eve}, m_1))$

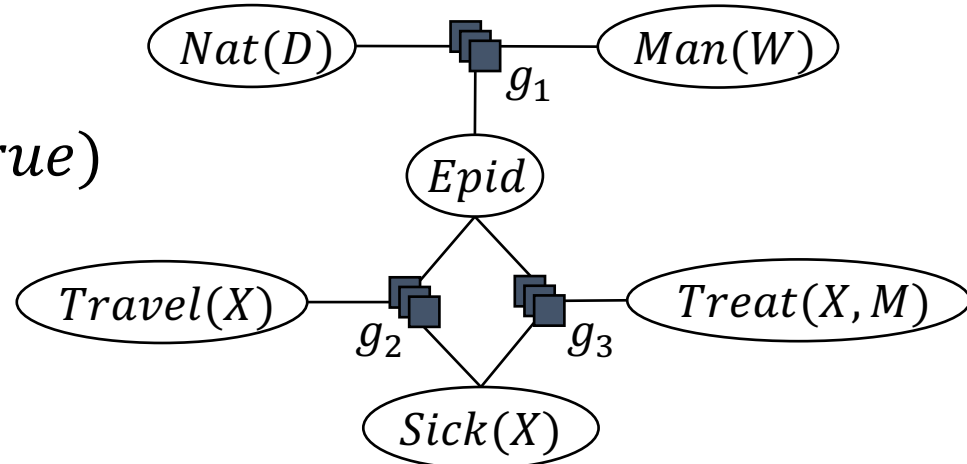
Avoid groundings!

- **Conditional** distribution

- $P(\text{Sick}(\text{eve}) | \text{Epid})$
- $P(\text{Epid} | \text{Sick}(\text{eve}) = \text{true})$

- **Assignment** queries

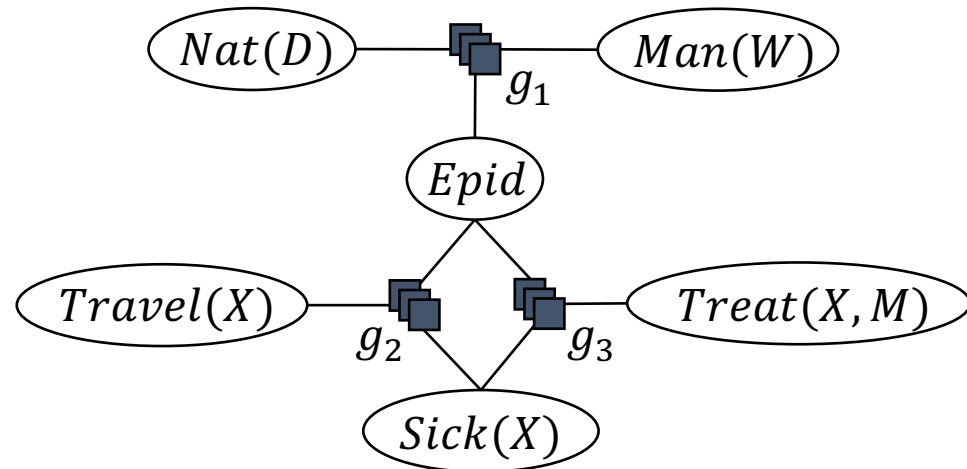
- MPE
- MAP



QA: Lifted Variable Elimination (LVE)

[Poole 03, de Salvo Braz et al. 05, 06,
Milch et al. 08, Taghipour et al. 13, 13a]

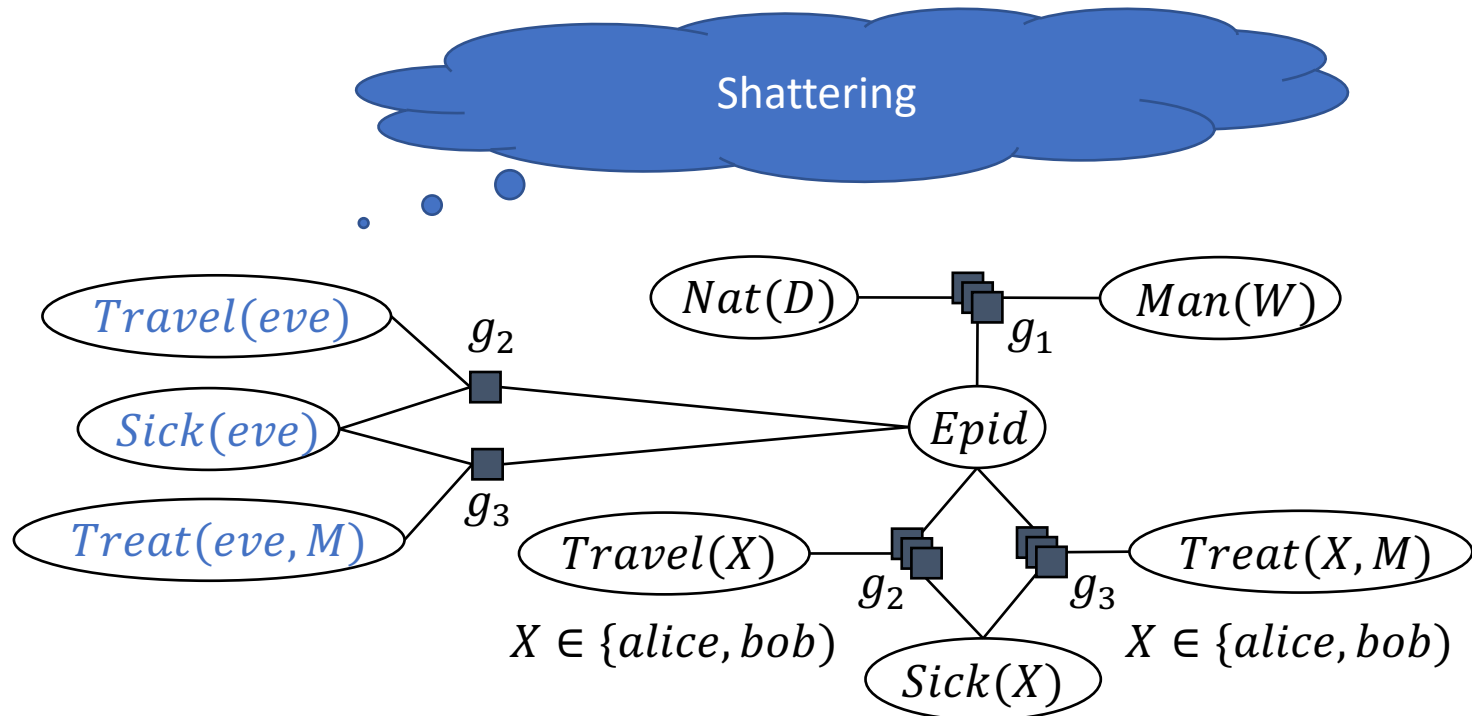
- Eliminate all variables not appearing in query
- Lifted summing out
 1. Sum out **representative** instance as in propositional variable elimination
 2. Exponentiate result for **isomorphic** instances



Avoid groundings!

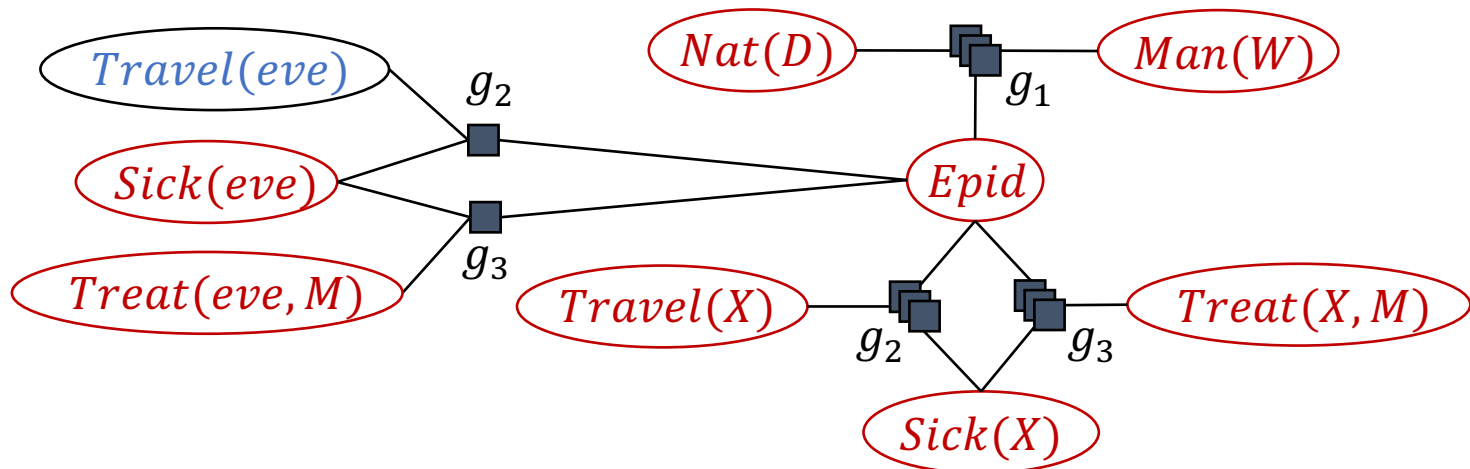
QA: LVE in Detail

- E.g., marginal
 - $P(\textit{Travel}(\textit{eve}))$
 - Split atoms $P(\dots, X, \dots)$ w.r.t. $\textit{eve}$ if $\textit{eve}$ in $\mathcal{D}(X)$



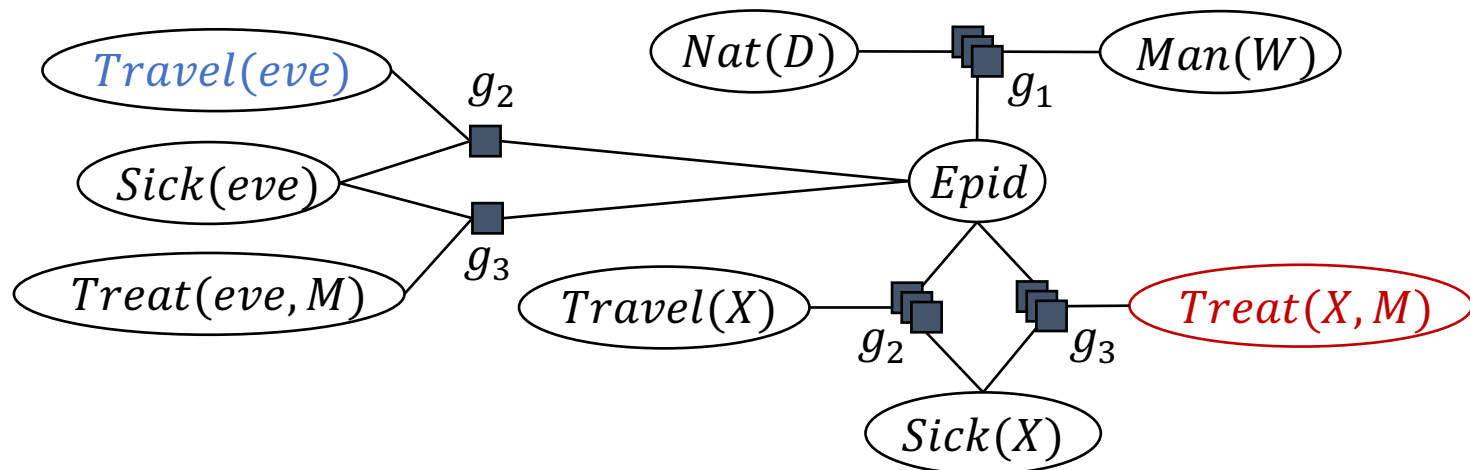
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 - Eliminate all **non-query variables**



QA: LVE in Detail

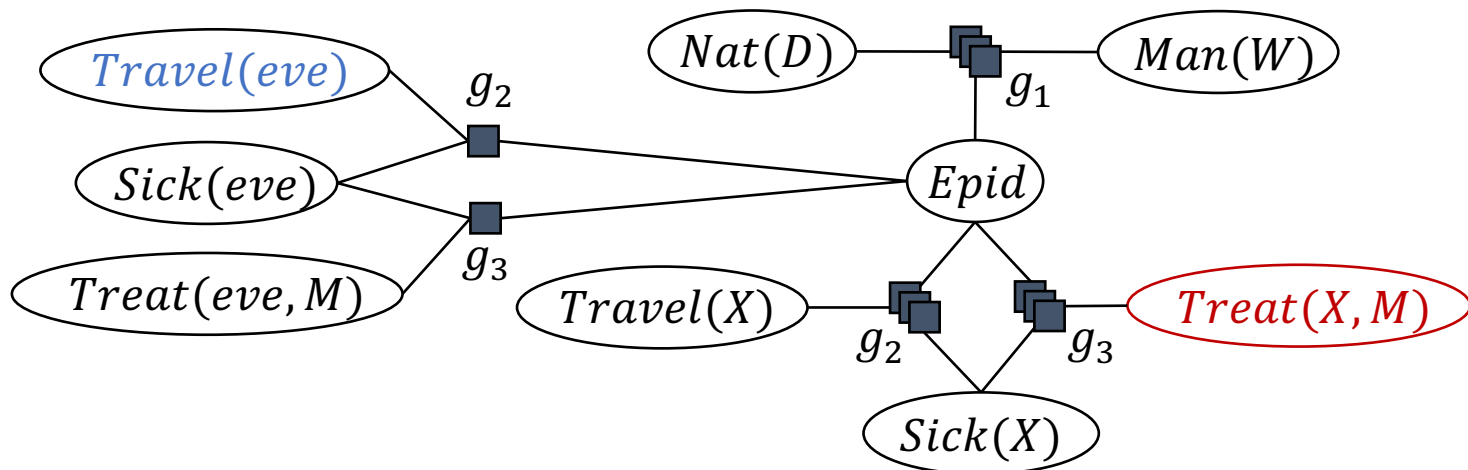
- Eliminate *Treat*(X, M)
 - Appears in only one g : g_3
 - Contains all logical variables of g_3 : X, M
 - For each X constant: the same number of M constants
- ✓ Preconditions of lifted summing out fulfilled,
lifted summing out possible



LVE in Detail: Lifted Summing Out

- Eliminate $Treat(X, M)$ by lifted summing out
 1. Sum out representative
 2. Exponentiate for indistinguishable objects

$$\left(\sum_{t \in r(Treat(X, M))} g_3(Epid = e, Sick(X) = s, Treat(X, M) = t) \right)^{|M|}$$



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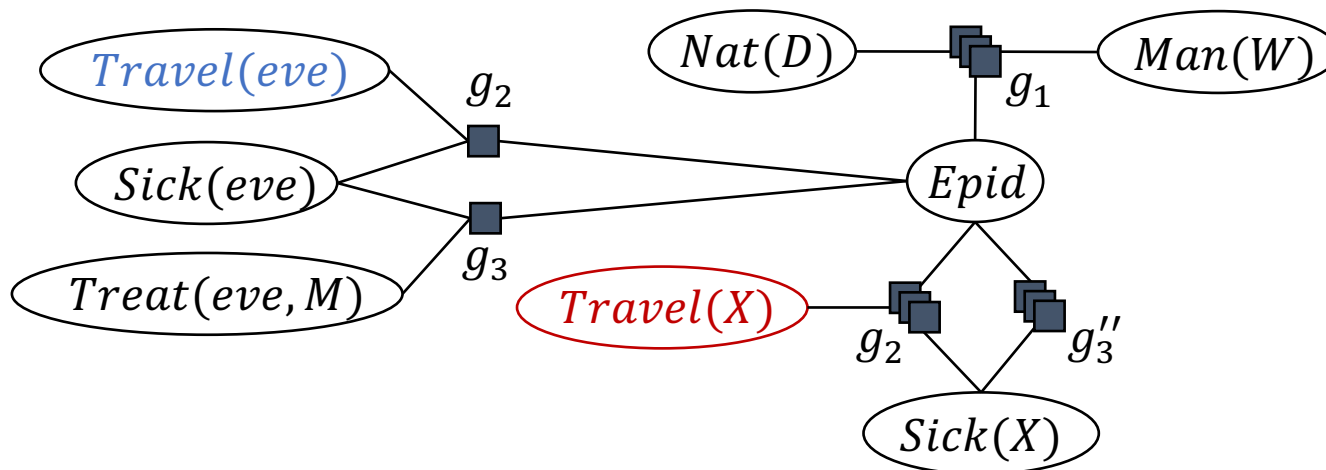
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<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	5
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	1
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	3
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	2
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	5
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	4
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	1
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	7

<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(X)</i>	g'_3	g''_3
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	6	$6^2 = 36$
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	5	$5^2 = 25$
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	9	$9^2 = 81$
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	8	$8^2 = 64$

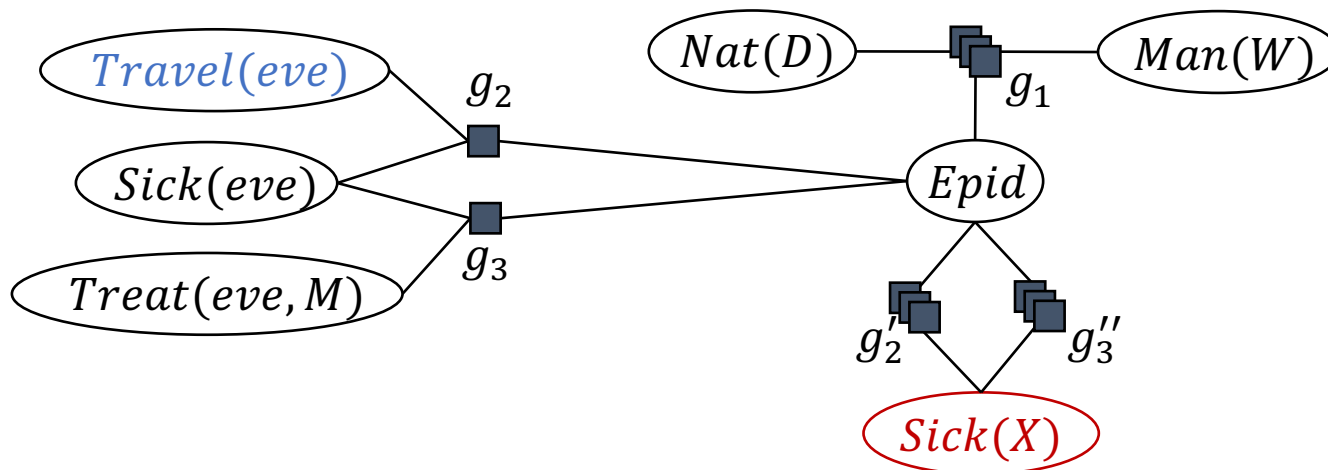
QA: LVE in Detail

- After eliminating $Treat(X, M)$
 - Eliminate *Travel(X)*
 - Does not eliminate logical variable (unlike M)
 - Yields $g'_2(Epid, Sick(X))$



QA: LVE in Detail

- After eliminating $Treat(X, M), Travel(X)$
 - Eliminate *Sick(X)*
 - Requires multiplication of g'_2 and g''_3
 - Eliminates X
 - Yields g''_{23}



Lifted Multiplication

- Multiplication: „join“ over shared randvars and a product of potentials

$$g'_2(\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(X)) \cdot g''_3(\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(X)) = g''_{23}(\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(X))$$

<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(X)</i>	g'_2		<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(X)</i>	g''_3		<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(X)</i>	g''_{23}
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	5		<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	9		<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	5 · 9
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	0	•	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	1	=	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	0 · 1
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	4		<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	4		<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	4 · 4
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	6		<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	2		<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	6 · 2

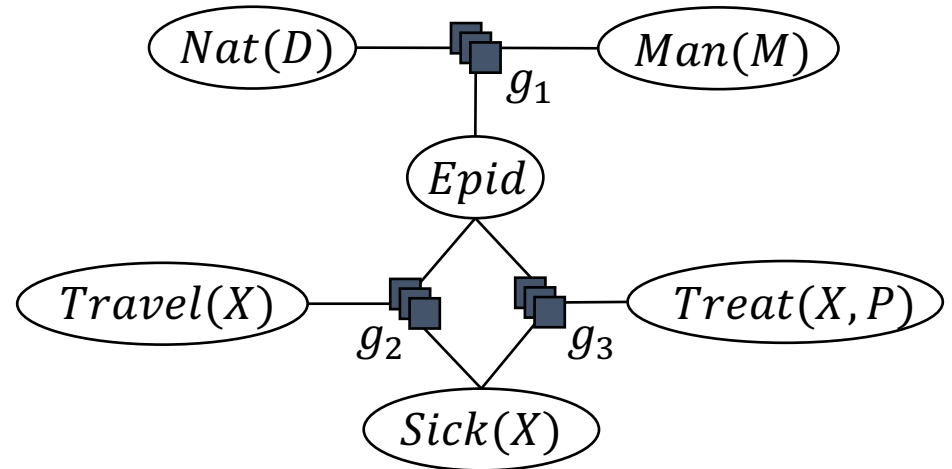
Many Queries: LJT

- Set of queries

- $P(\text{Travel}(\text{eve}))$
- $P(\text{Sick}(\text{bob}))$
- $P(\text{Treat}(\text{eve}, m_1))$
- $P(\text{Epid})$
- $P(\text{Nat}(\text{flood}))$
- $P(\text{Man}(\text{virus}))$
- Combinations of variables

- Under evidence

- $\text{Sick}(X') = \text{true}$
- $X' \in \{\text{alice}, \text{eve}\}$



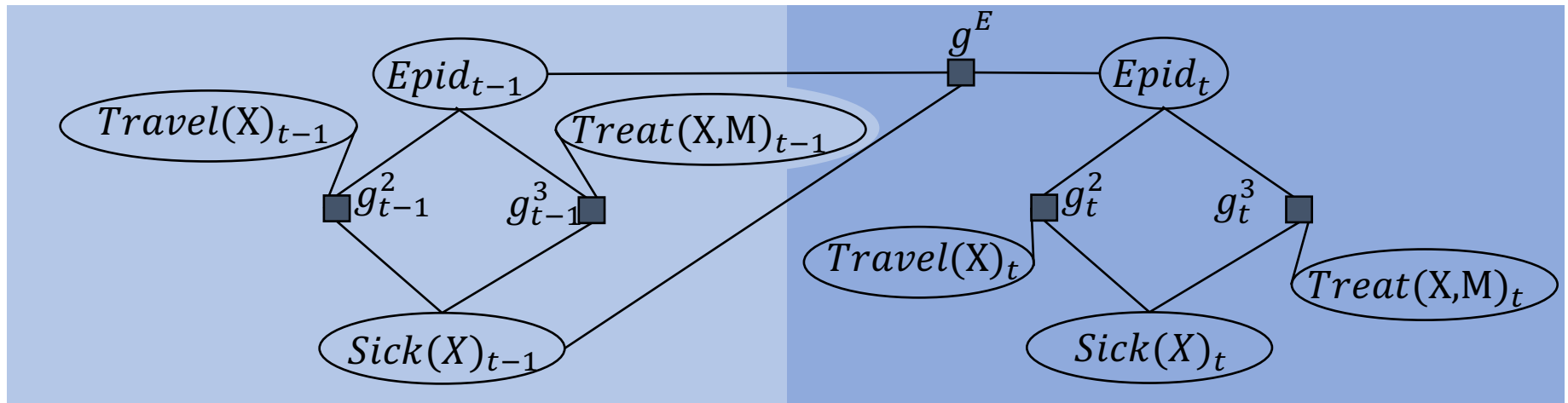
- Challenges:

- Do not start from scratch for every query
- Support QA on subset of atoms
- Avoid groundings

- Challenges (among others) mastered as part of Tanya's dissertation

Dynamic PRMs

- **Marginal distribution query:** $P(A_{\pi}^i | E_{0:t})$ w.r.t. the model:
 - Hindsight: $\pi < t$ (Was there an epidemic $t - \pi$ days ago?)
 - Filtering: $\pi = t$ (Is there currently an epidemic?)
 - Prediction: $\pi > t$ (Will there be an epidemic in $\pi - t$ days?)
- **MPE, MAP** on temporal sequence



- **Define the interface for relational case (avoid groundings)**
- **Taming reasoning w.r.t. evidence over time (avoid creeping groundings)**

PRMs and Variants

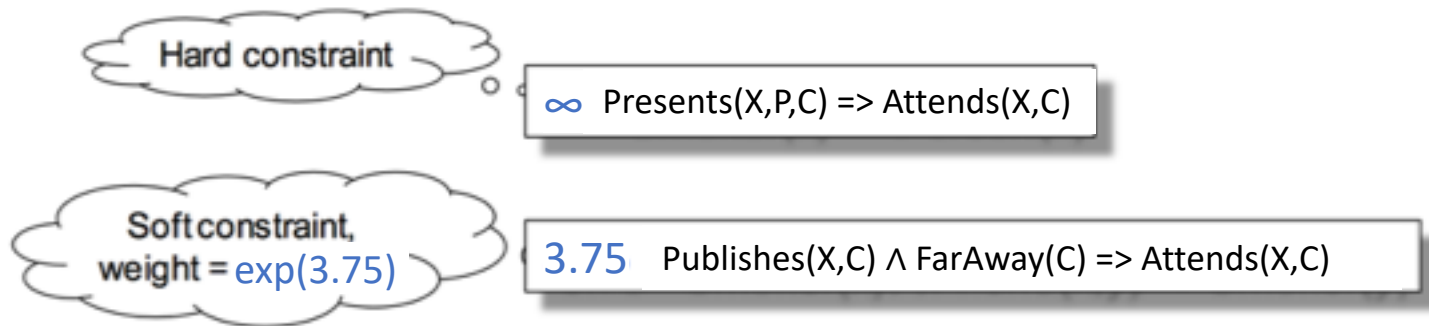
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Markov Logic Networks (MLNs)

- Weighted formulas for modelling constraints [Richardson & Domingos 06]



- An **MLN** is a set of constraints $(w, \Gamma(x))$
 - w = weight
 - $\Gamma(x)$ = FO formula
- weight** of a world = product of $\exp(w)$ terms
 - for all **MLN** rules $(w, \Gamma(x))$ and groundings $\Gamma(a)$ that hold in that world
- Probability** of a world = $\frac{\text{weight}}{Z}$
 - Z = sum of weights of all worlds (no longer a simple expression!)

Why exp?

Factorization

- Log-linear models
- Let D be a set of constants and $\omega \in \{0,1\}^m$ a world with m atoms w.r.t. D

$$weight(\omega) = \prod_{\{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{\Gamma}(\mathbf{x})) \in MLN \mid \exists \mathbf{a} \in D^n : \omega \models \mathbf{\Gamma}(\mathbf{a})\}} \exp(\mathbf{w})$$

$$\ln(weight(\omega)) = \sum_{\{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{\Gamma}(\mathbf{x})) \in MLN \mid \exists \mathbf{a} \in D^n : \omega \models \mathbf{\Gamma}(\mathbf{\pi}_{\mathbf{\Gamma}}(\mathbf{a}))\}}$$

- Sum allows for component-wise optimization during weight learning

- $Z = \sum_{\omega \in \{0,1\}^m} \ln(weight(\omega))$

- $P(\omega) = \frac{\ln(weight(\omega))}{Z}$

$\mathbf{w}$

Log-linear representation

MLN Reasoning

- Answering queries for m discrete atoms

$$P(\textit{Attends}(\textit{alice})) = \sum_{\omega \in \{\textit{FALSE}, \textit{TRUE}\}^m \wedge \omega \models \textit{Attends}(\textit{alice})} P(\omega)$$

- Approximated lifted reasoning for MLNs

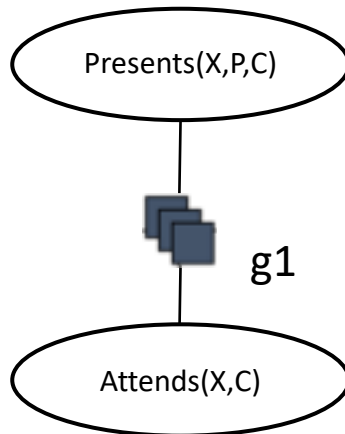
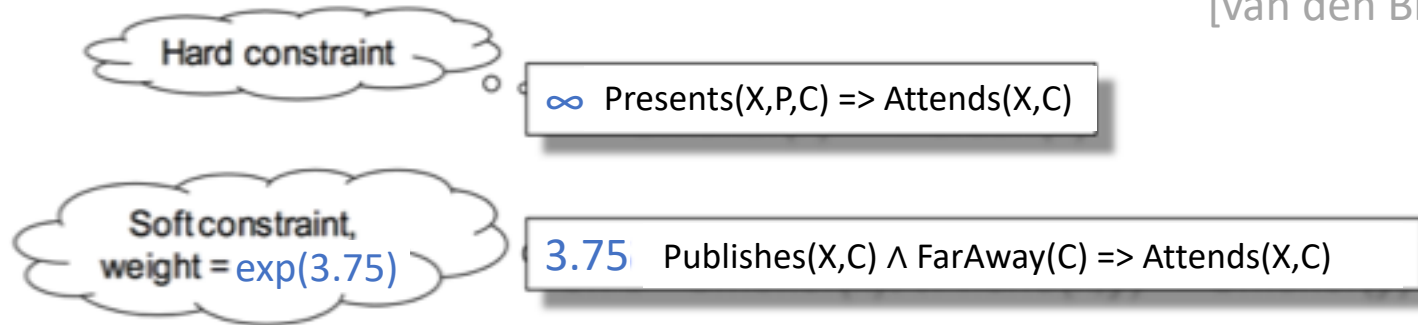
Lifted Weighted Model Counting [Gogate & Domingos 11]

Lifted MAP [Sarkhel et al. 14]

- Reasoning: Google AI approach [Cohen et al. 17]
 - Translation to Tensorflow: TensorLog
 - QA based on belief propagation
(fast but only approximate)

Transforming MLNs into PRMs ...

[van den Broeck 13]



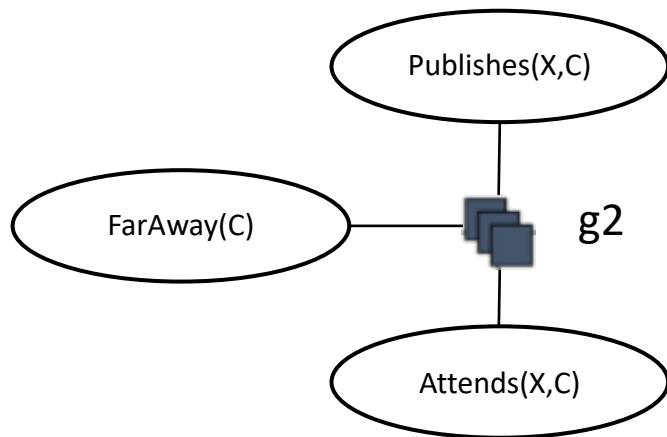
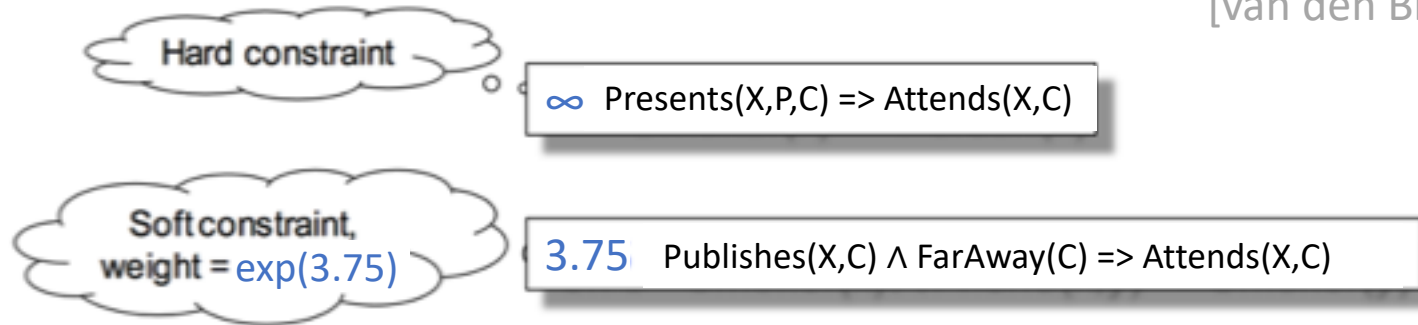
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Possibly shattering required

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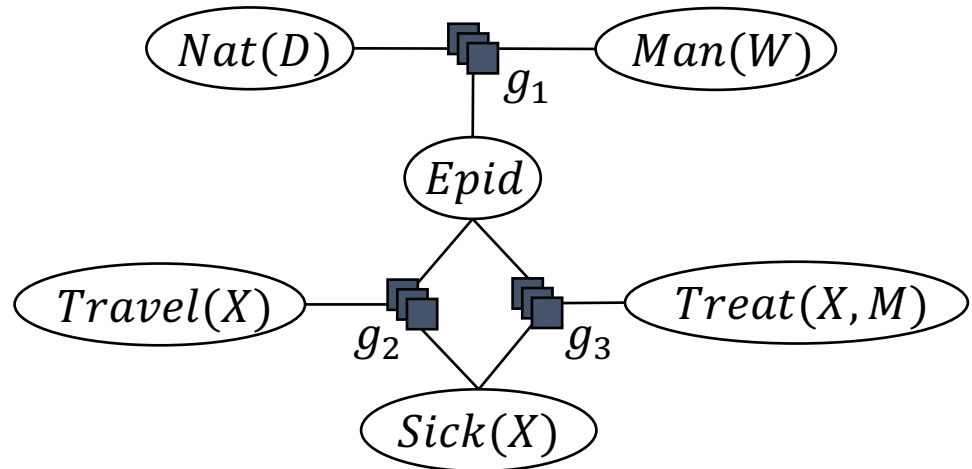
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Encoding a Joint Distribution

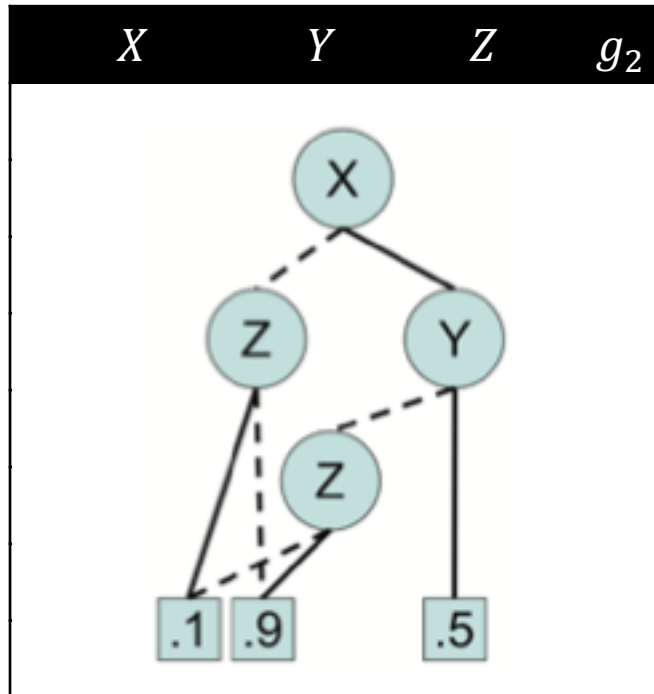
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false	false	true	0
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false	true	true	6
true	false	false	4
true	false	true	6
true	true	false	2
true	true	true	9



$Nat(D)$ = natural disaster (D)
 $Man(W)$ = man-made disaster (W)

Prefer 0 potentials

Encoding a Joint Distribution



- Alternative: Represent potential functions using algebraic decision diagrams (ADDs)

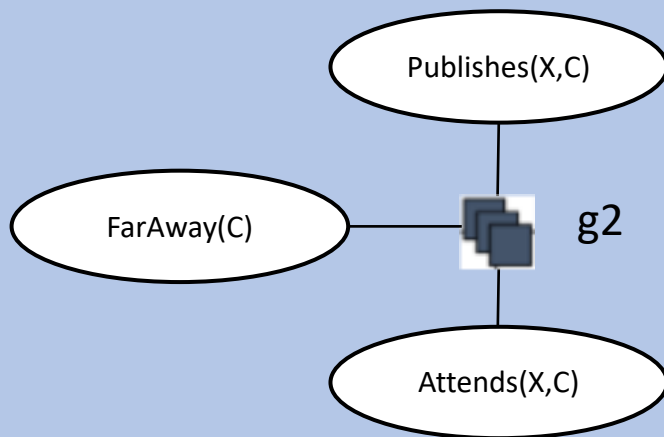
[Chavira & Darwiche 07]

- Requires “multiplications” used for elimination to be defined over ADDs

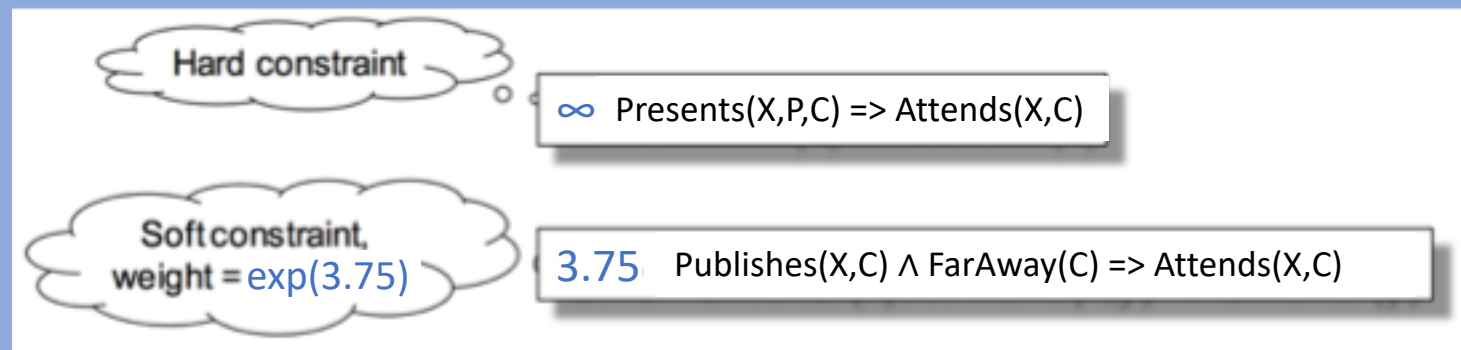
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x_1	y_2	z_2	0.1
x_2	y_1	z_1	0.1
x_2	y_1	z_2	0.9
x_2	y_2	z_1	0.5
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MLNs to PRMs and back?

- Represent/approximate potential functions using formulas with parfactor input atoms, e.g., for (approximate) explanation purposes

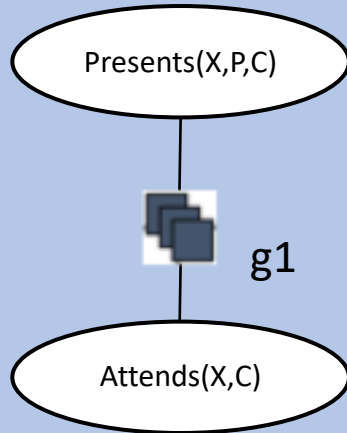


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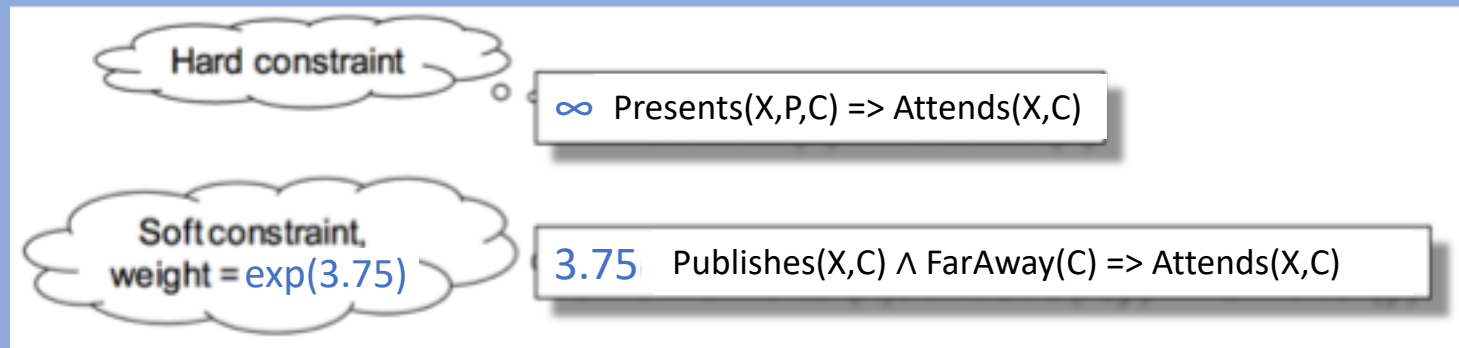
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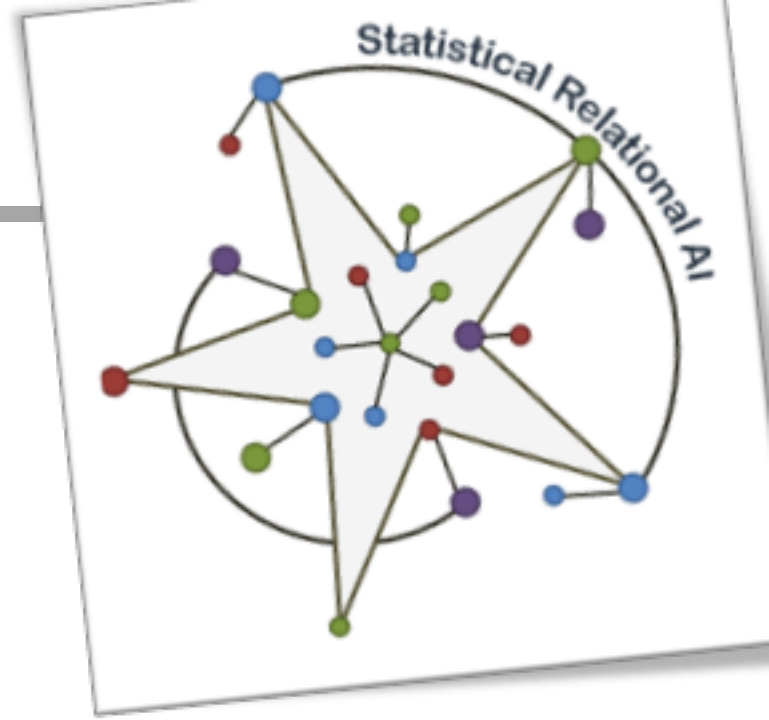
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$(X, P, C) \in \text{Dom}(X) \times \text{Dom}(P) \times \text{Dom}(C)$



Agenda

- Probabilistic relational models (PRMs) [Ralf]
 - Application example
 - Semantics, static vs. dynamic behavior
 - Query answering / basic inference
 - Variants: raw PRMs, MLNs, ...
- Exact Symmetries and Changing Domains in static PRMs [Tanya]
- Stable inference over time in dynamic PRMs [Marcel]
- Summary [Tanya]



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