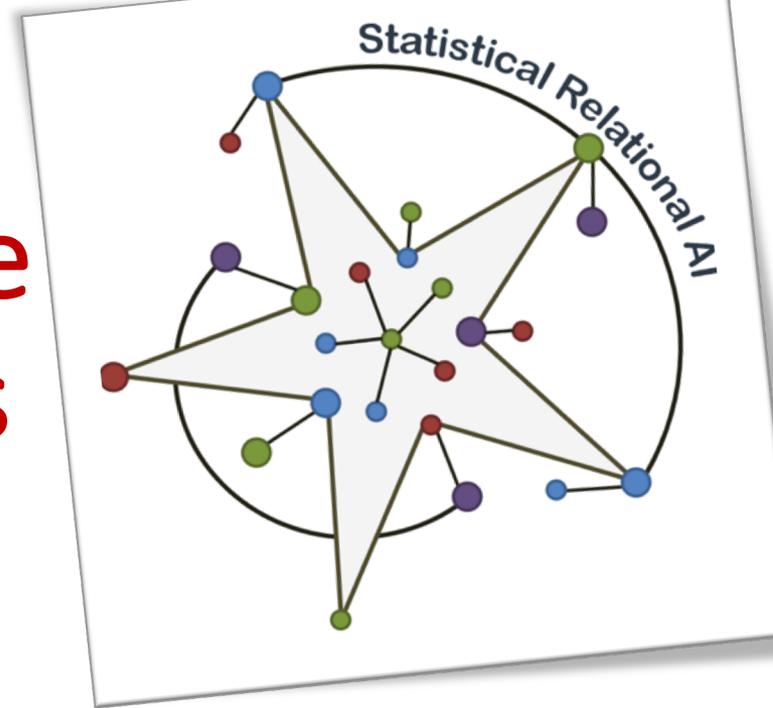


Exact Lifted Inference on Relational Models

Statistical Relational AI

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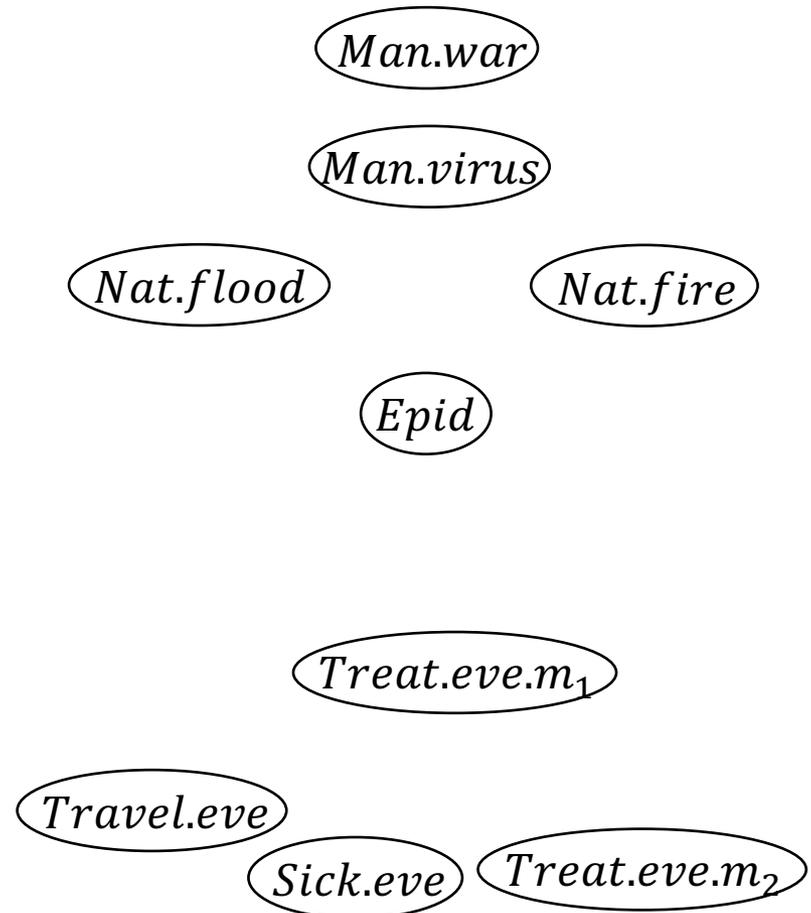
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Propositional Models: Worlds

- Characterise world by **random variables**
 - E.g., *Epid*
 - Possible values (range):
 $r(Epid) = \{true, false\}$
- 1 world = specific values for variables
- Probability per world
- **Joint probability distribution** P_F over all possible worlds



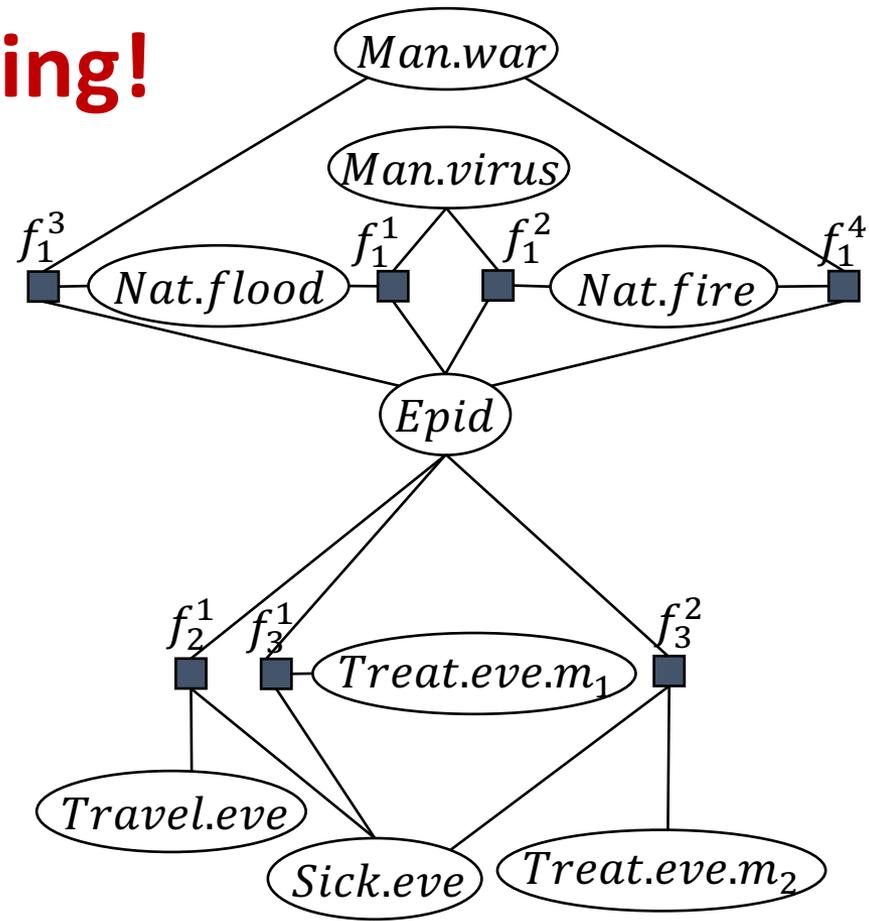
$2^9 = 512$ possible worlds

Propositional Models: Factors

- Full joint P_F as product of factors **Sparse encoding!**
 - Model F
 - $rv(F), rv(f)$
random variables in F, f

$$P_F = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i=1}^n f_i$$

$$Z = \sum_{v \in r(rv(F))} \prod_{i=1}^n f_i(\pi_{rv(f_i)}(v))$$



$7 \cdot 2^3 = 56$ entries

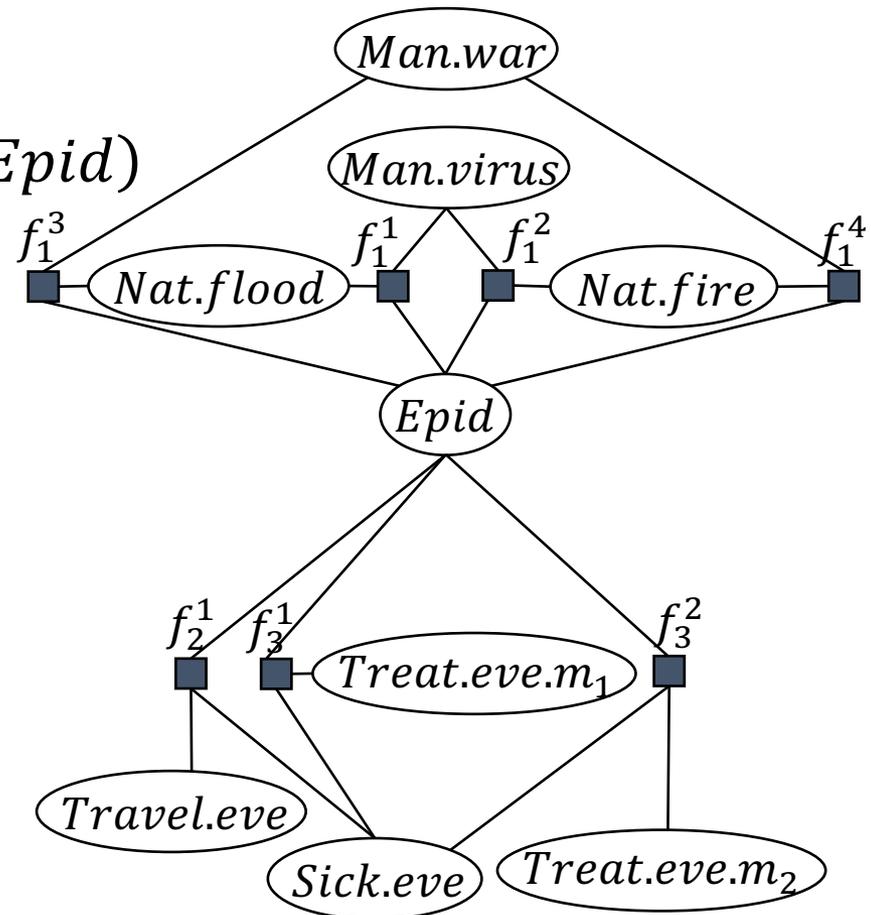
Propositional Models: Factors

- Factors

- Potentials

- $f_2^1(\text{Travel.eve}, \text{Sick.eve}, \text{Epid})$

<i>Travel.eve</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick.eve</i>	f_2^1
<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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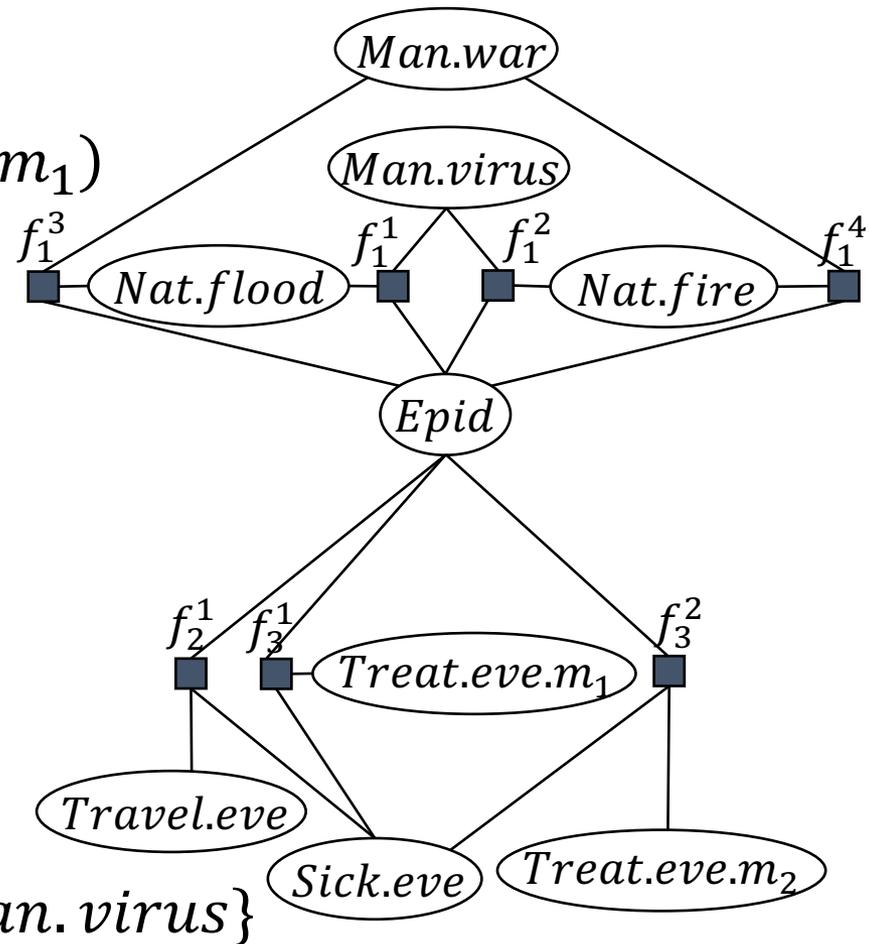
Query Answering (QA): Queries

- **Marginal** distribution
 - $P(\text{Sick.eve})$
 - $P(\text{Travel.eve}, \text{Treat.eve.m}_1)$

- **Conditional** distribution
 - $P(\text{Sick.eve} | \text{Epid})$
 - $P(\text{Epid} | \text{Sick.eve} = \text{true})$
- Most probable **assignment**

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{v \in r(R)} \sum_{v \in r(R)} P_F(v), R \subseteq rv(F)$$

- **MPE**: $R = rv(F)$
- **MAP**: $R = \{\text{Travel.eve}, \text{Man.virus}\}$



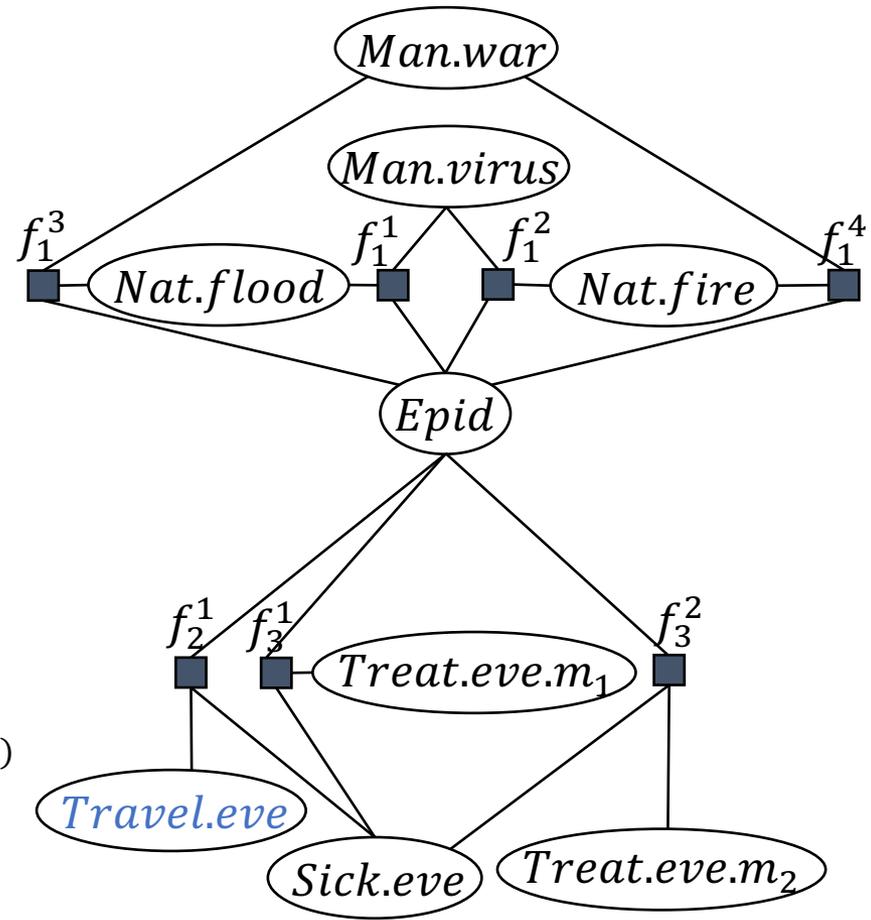
QA: Variable Elimination (VE)

Pearl (1988), Zhang and Poole (1994), Dechter (1999)

- Eliminate all variables not appearing in query
 - Through **summing out**
- E.g., marginal
 - $P(\textit{Travel.eve})$

$$P(\textit{Travel.eve}) \propto$$

$$\sum_{e \in \textit{Epid}} \sum_{s \in \textit{Sick.eve}} \sum_{m_1 \in \textit{Treat.eve.m}_1} \sum_{m_2 \in \textit{Treat.eve.m}_2} \sum_{o \in \textit{Nat.flood}} \sum_{i \in \textit{Nat.fire}} \sum_{w \in \textit{Man.war}} \sum_{v \in \textit{Man.virus}} P_F$$



QA: Variable Elimination (VE)

Zhang and Poole (1994)

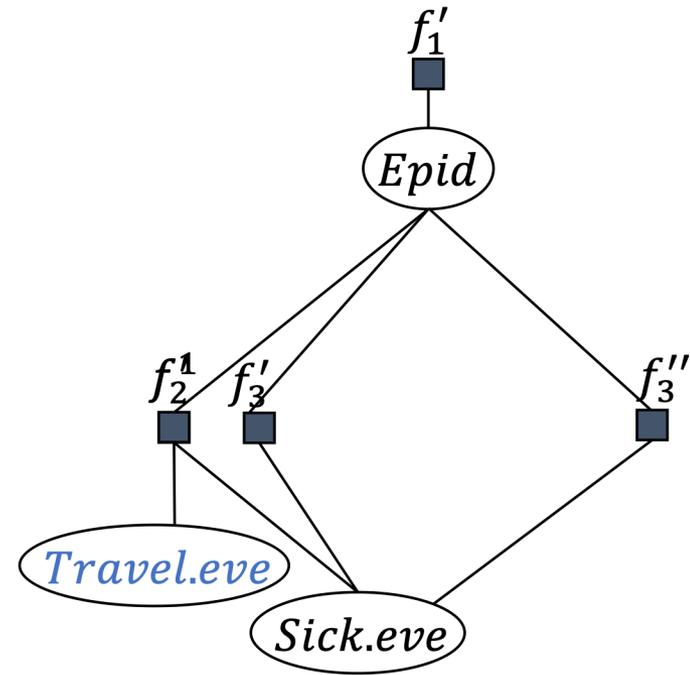
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 & \sum_{m_2 \in r(\textit{Treat.eve.m}_2)} f_3^2(e, s, m_2) \\
 & \sum_{o \in r(\textit{Nat.flood})} \sum_{i \in r(\textit{Nat.fire})} \sum_{w \in r(\textit{Man.war})} f_1^1(o, w, e) f_1^2(i, w, e) \\
 & \sum_{v \in r(\textit{Man.virus})} f_1^3(o, i, e) f_1^4(i, v, e)
 \end{aligned}$$

QA: Variable Elimination (VE)

Zhang and Poole (1994)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\textit{Travel.eve}) &\propto \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'_1(e) \sum_{s \in r(\textit{Sick.eve})} f_2^1(\textit{Travel.eve}, e, s) f'_3(e, s) f_3''(e, s) \\
 &= \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'_1(e) \sum_{s \in r(\textit{Sick.eve})} f'(\textit{Travel.eve}, e, s)
 \end{aligned}$$

<i>Travel.eve</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick.eve</i>	f'
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	50
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	10
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	34
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	16
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	54
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	36
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	12
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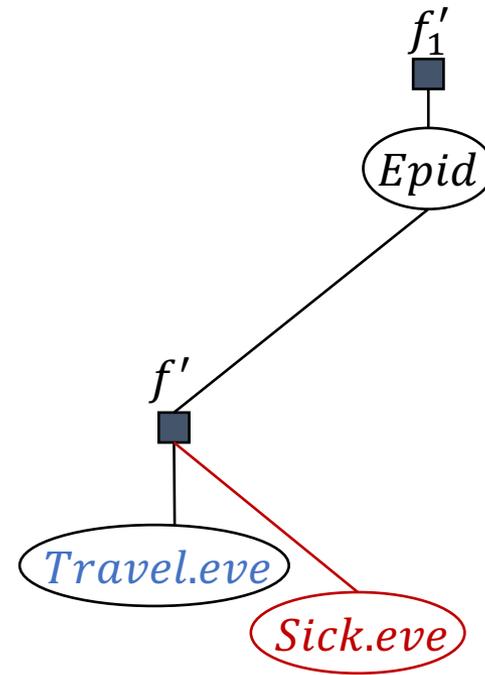


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 \end{aligned}$$

<i>Travel. eve</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick. eve</i>	f'	Σ
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	50	60
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	10	
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	34	50
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	16	
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	54	90
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	36	
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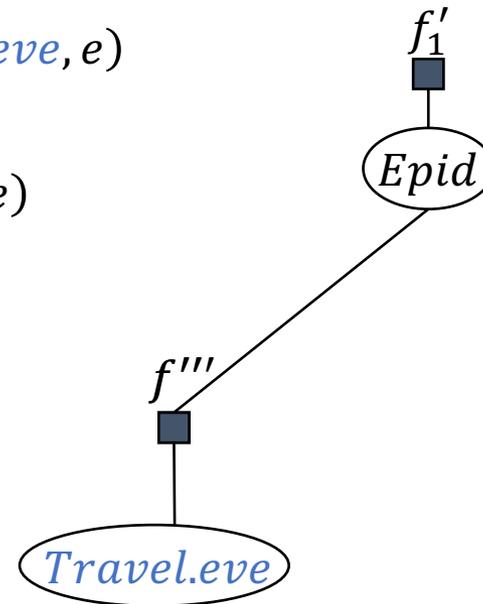


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 &= \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'_1(e) \sum_{s \in r(\textit{Sick.eve})} f'(\textit{Travel.eve}, e, s) \\
 &= \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'_1(e) f''(\textit{Travel.eve}, e) \\
 &= \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'''(\textit{Travel.eve}, e)
 \end{aligned}$$

<i>Travel.eve</i>	<i>Epid</i>	f'''
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	90
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	100
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	135
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	162

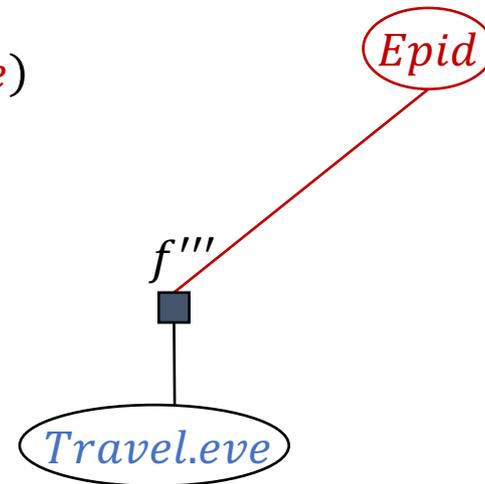


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 &= \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'_1(e) f''(\textit{Travel.eve}, e) \\
 &= \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'''(\textit{Travel.eve}, e)
 \end{aligned}$$

<i>Travel.eve</i>	<i>Epid</i>	f'''	Σ
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	90	190
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	100	
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	135	297
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	162	



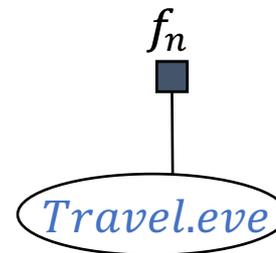
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 &= \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'_1(e) f''(\textit{Travel.eve}, e) \\
 &= \sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} f'''(\textit{Travel.eve}, e) = f(\textit{Travel.eve}) = f_n(\textit{Travel.eve})
 \end{aligned}$$

<i>Travel.eve</i>	<i>f</i>
<i>false</i>	190
<i>true</i>	297

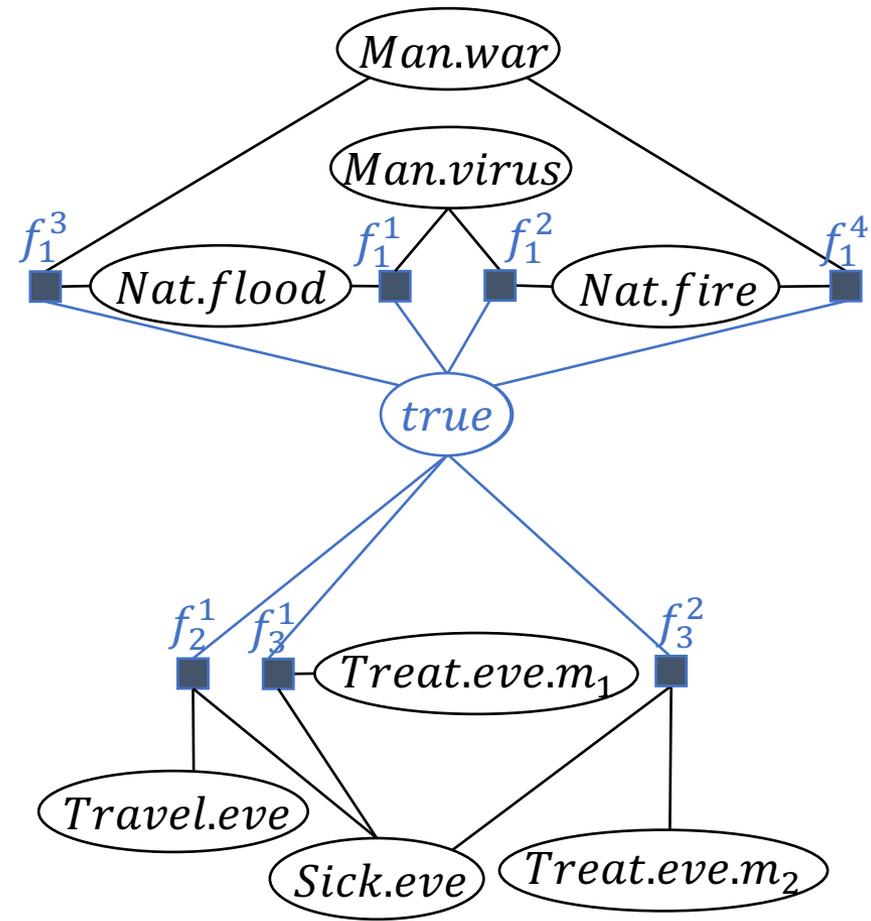
<i>Travel.eve</i>	<i>f_n</i>
<i>false</i>	0.39
<i>true</i>	0.61



QA: Variable Elimination (VE)

Zhang and Poole (1994)

- Eliminate all variables not appearing in query
 - Through **summing out**
- E.g., conditional
 - $P(\text{Travel.eve} | \text{Epid} = \text{true})$
 - **Absorb** $\text{Epid} = \text{true}$ in all factors
 - Sum out remaining variables

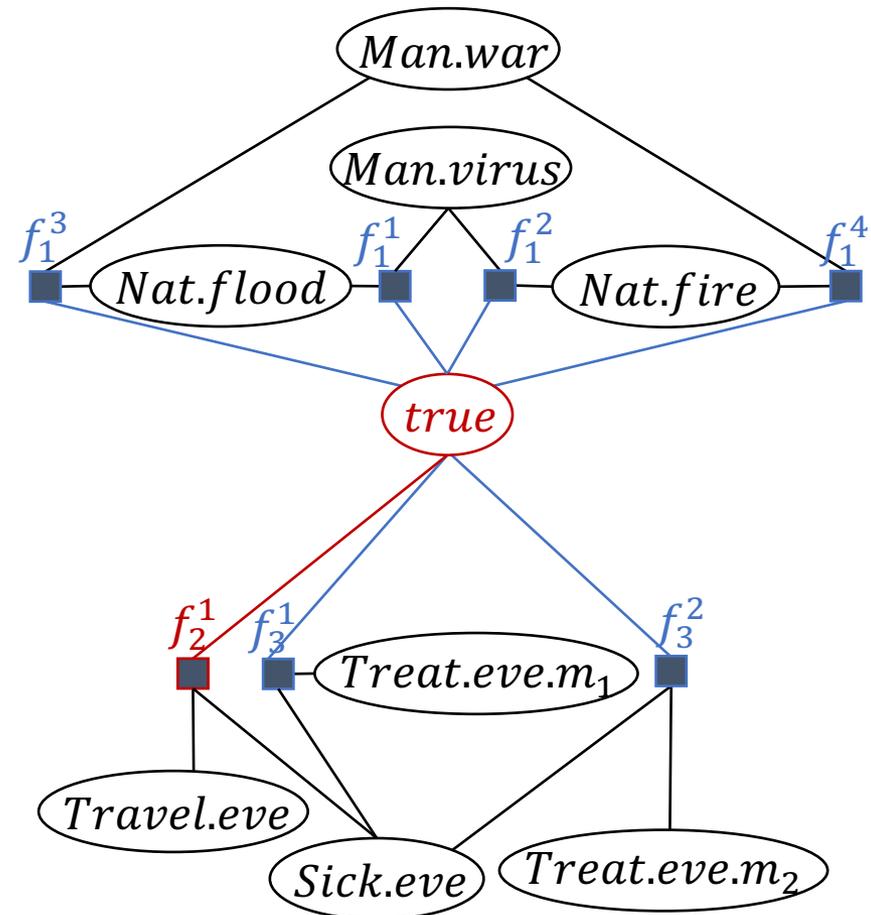


QA: Evidence Absorption

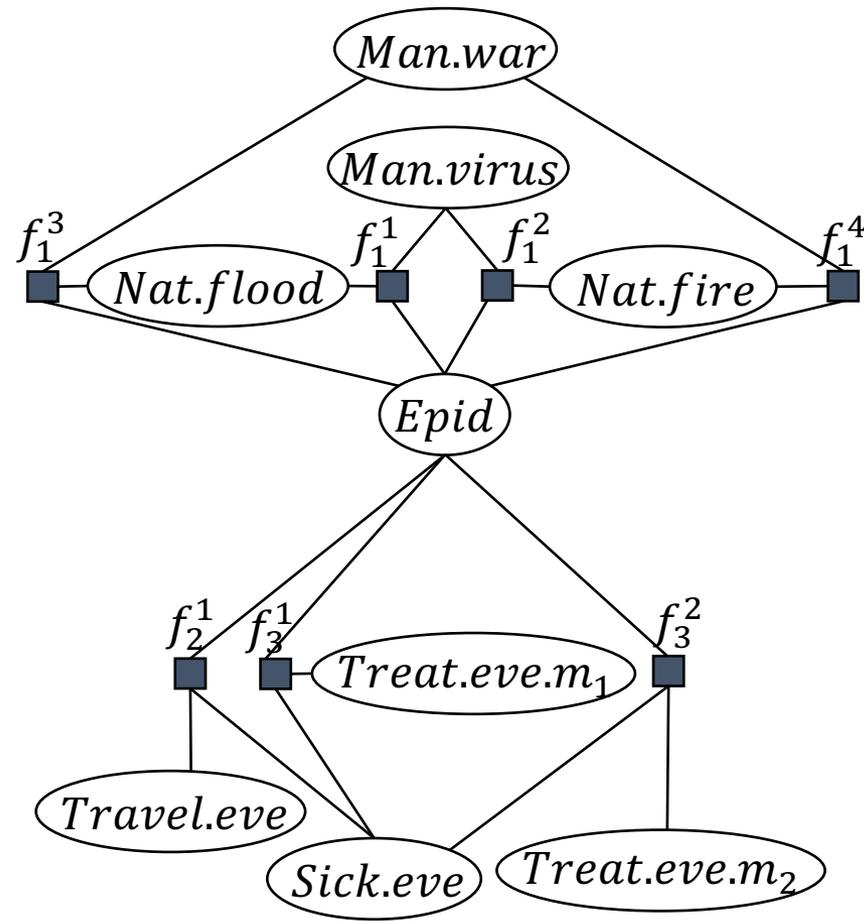
Zhang and Poole (1994)

- Absorb *Epid = true* in all factors, e.g., f_2^1
- Possibly eliminate variable

<i>Travel.eve</i>	<i>Sick.eve</i>	f_2^1	<i>e</i>	f_2^1
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	4		4
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	6		6
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	2		2
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	9		9
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>		4 0
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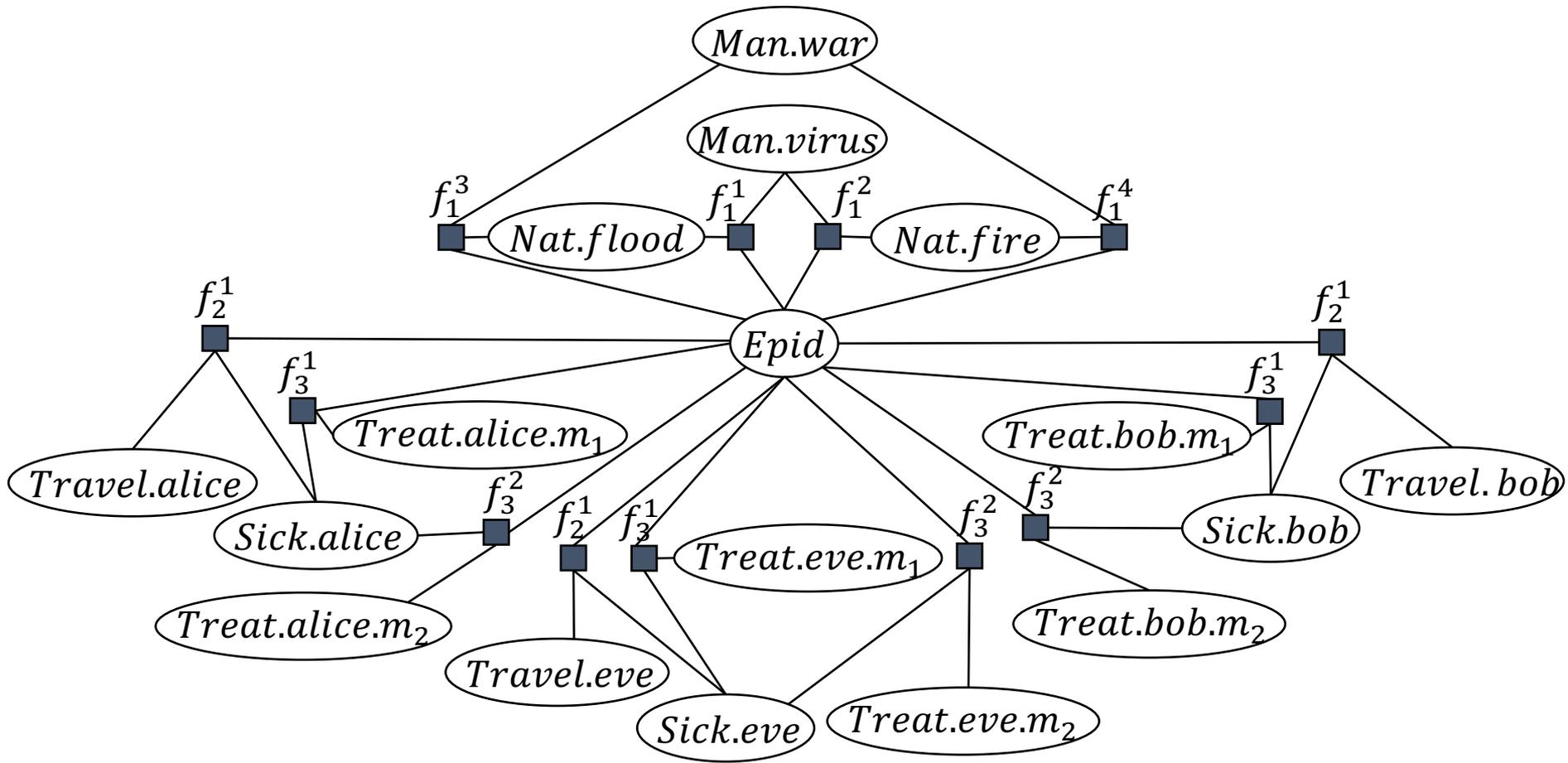


Problem: Models Explode



$7 \cdot 2^3 = 56$ entries in 7 factors, 9 variables

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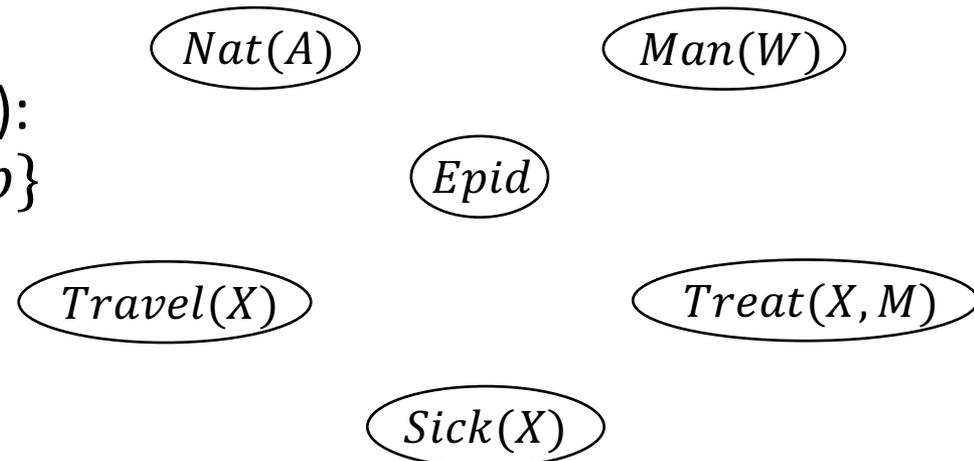


$13 \cdot 2^3 = 104$ entries in 13 factors, 17 variables

Solution: Lifting

Poole (2003)

- Parameterised random variables = PRV
 - With logical variables
 - E.g., X
 - Possible values (domain):
 $\mathcal{D}(X) = \{alice, eve, bob\}$
- Inputs to factors!



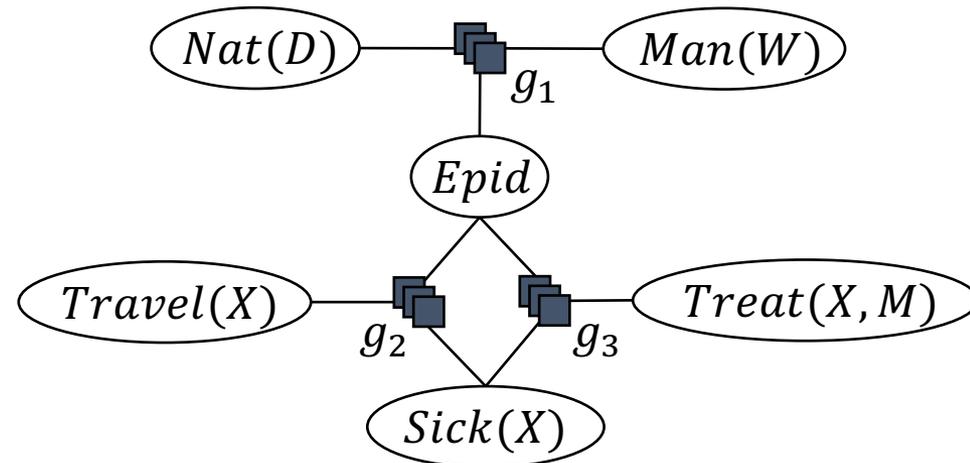
Solution: Lifting

Poole (2003)

- 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
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	4
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	6
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<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	2
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	9

Sparse encoding!



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

Solution: Lifting

Poole (2003)

- Grounding

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

		<i>Travel(eve)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(eve)</i>	f_2^1				
<i>Travel(X)</i>	<i>Enid</i>	false	false	false	5	<i>(bob)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	<i>Sick(bob)</i>	f_2^3
<i>Travel(alice)</i>	<i>Epid</i>	false	false	true	0	<i>alice</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	5
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	false	true	false	4	<i>alice</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	0
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	false	true	true	6	<i>alice</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	4
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	true	false	false	4	<i>alice</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	6
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	true	false	true	6	<i>alice</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	4
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	true	true	false	2	<i>alice</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	6
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	true	true	true	9	<i>alice</i>	<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	2
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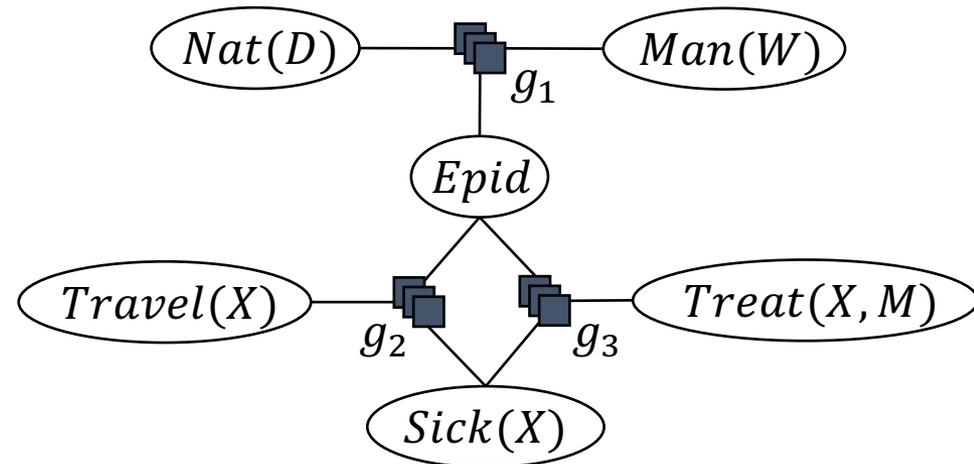
Solution: Lifting

Poole (2003)

- Joint probability distribution P_G by grounding

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

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



QA: Queries

- Marginal distribution

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

Avoid groundings!

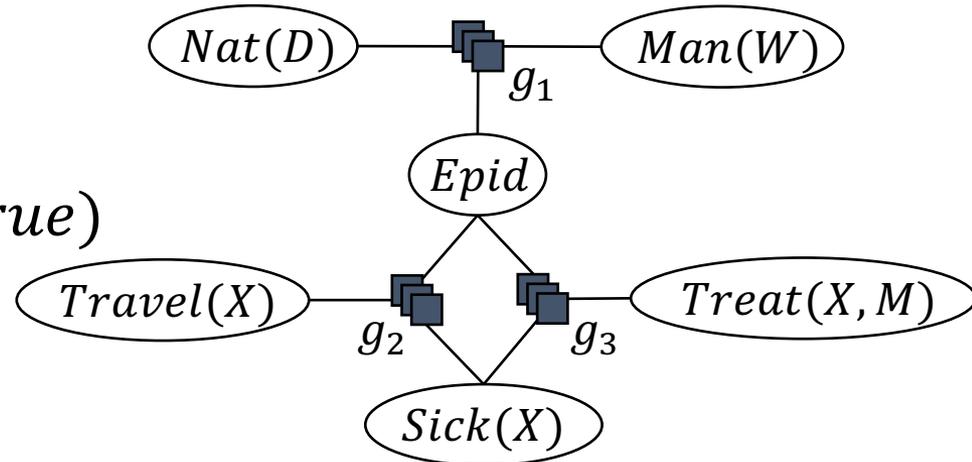
- Conditional distribution

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

- Most probable assignment

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{v \in r(R)} \sum_{v \in r(R)} P_F(v), R \subseteq rv(\text{gr}(G))$$

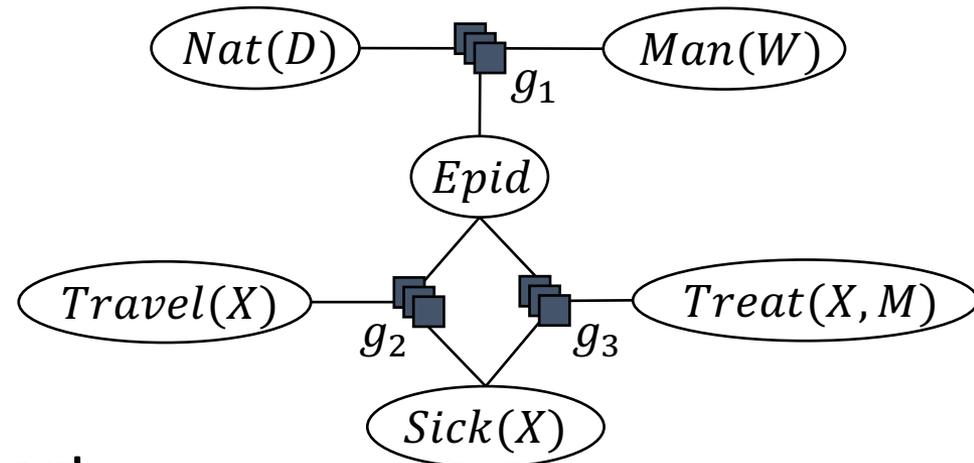
- MPE: $R = rv(\text{gr}(G))$
- MAP: $R = \{\text{Travel}(\text{eve}), \text{Man}(\text{virus})\}$



QA: Lifted VE (LVE)

Poole (2003), de Salvo Braz et al. (2005, 2006),
Milch et al. (2008), Taghipour et al. (2012, 2013)

- Eliminate all variables not appearing in query
- Lifted summing out
 - Sum out representative instance
 - Exponentiate result for isomorphic instances
- Preconditions exist!
- Count conversion (not part of this tutorial)

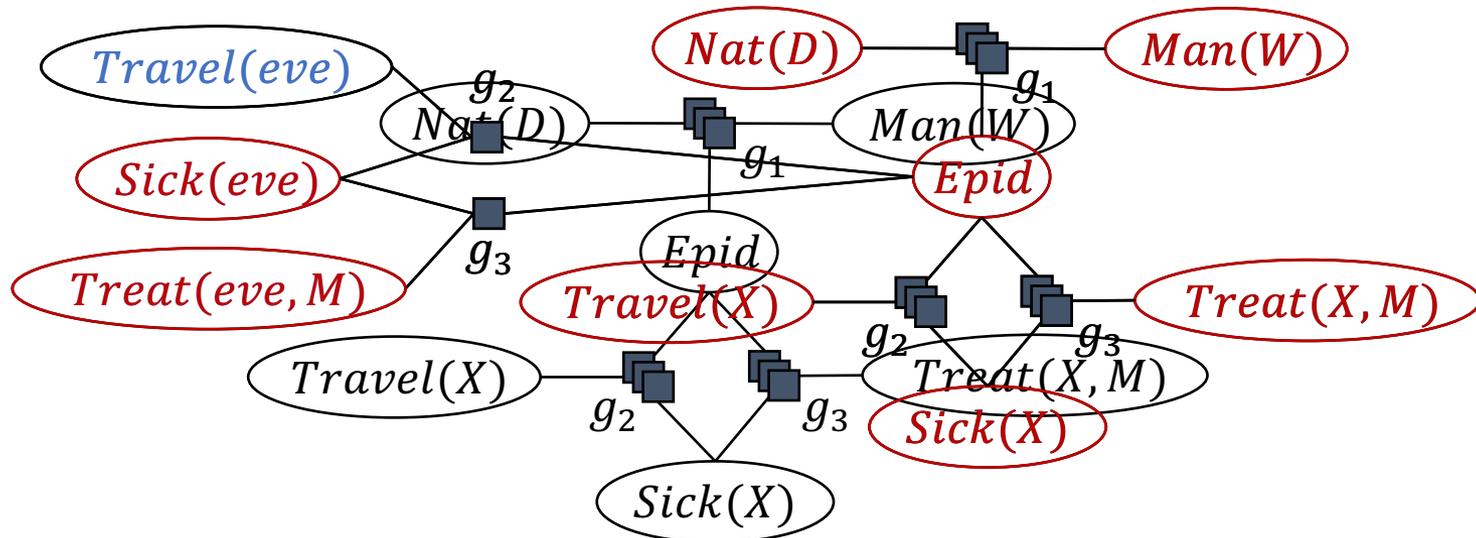


Avoid groundings!

QA: LVE in Detail

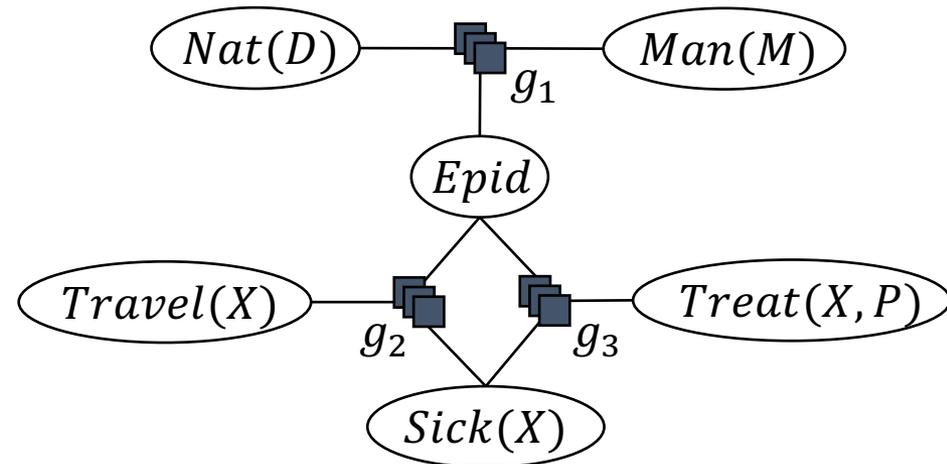
Poole (2003), de Salvo Braz et al. (2005, 2006),
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- E.g., marginal
 - $P(\textit{Travel}(\textit{eve}))$
 - Split w.r.t. $\textit{Travel}(\textit{eve})$
 - Eliminate all **non-query variables**
 - Normalise



Problem: Many Queries

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

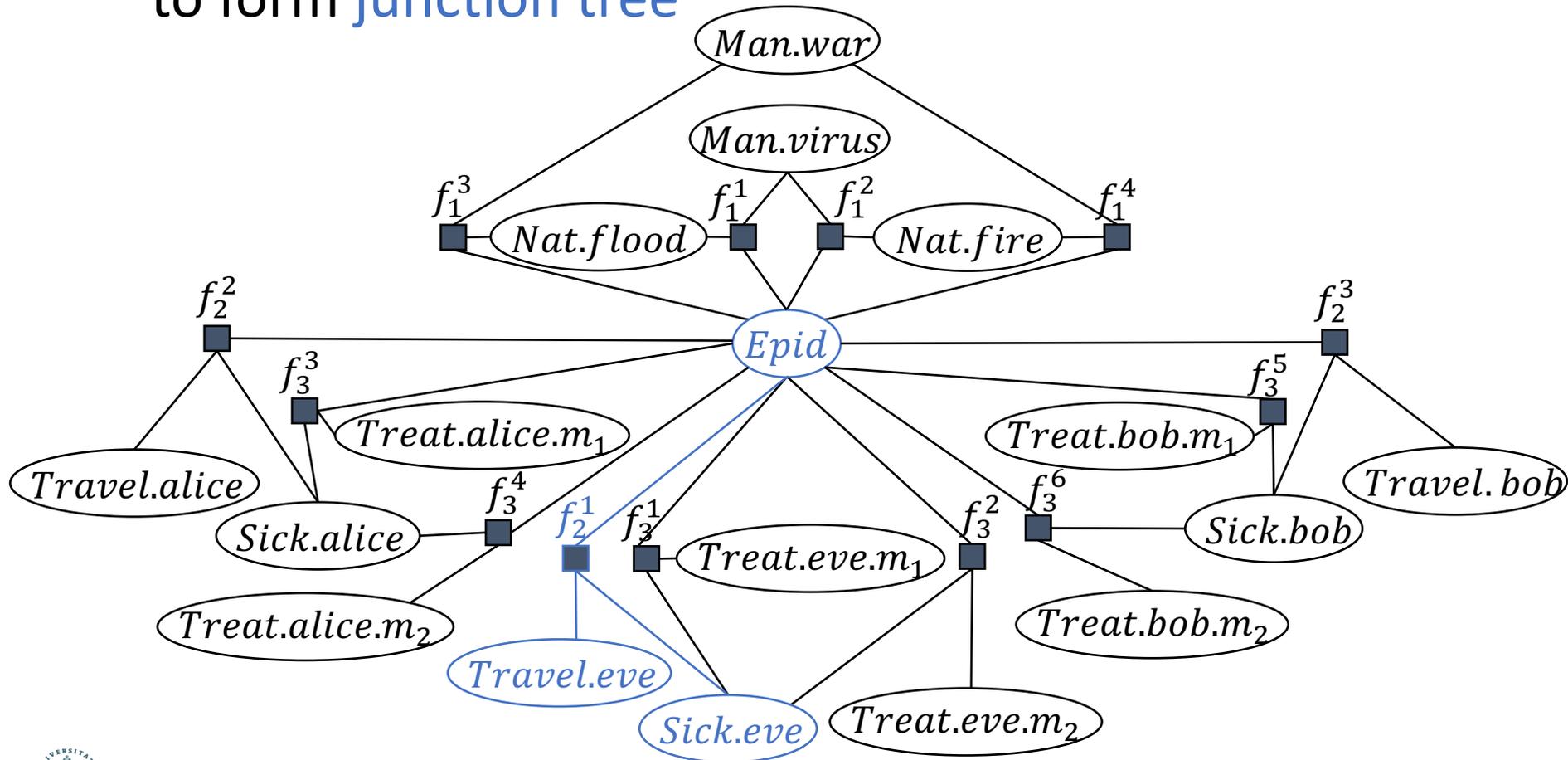


- (L)VE starts with complete model for QA

Solution: Junction Tree Algorithm

Lauritzen and Spiegelhalter (1988), Shafer and Shenoy (1989), Jensen et al. (1990)

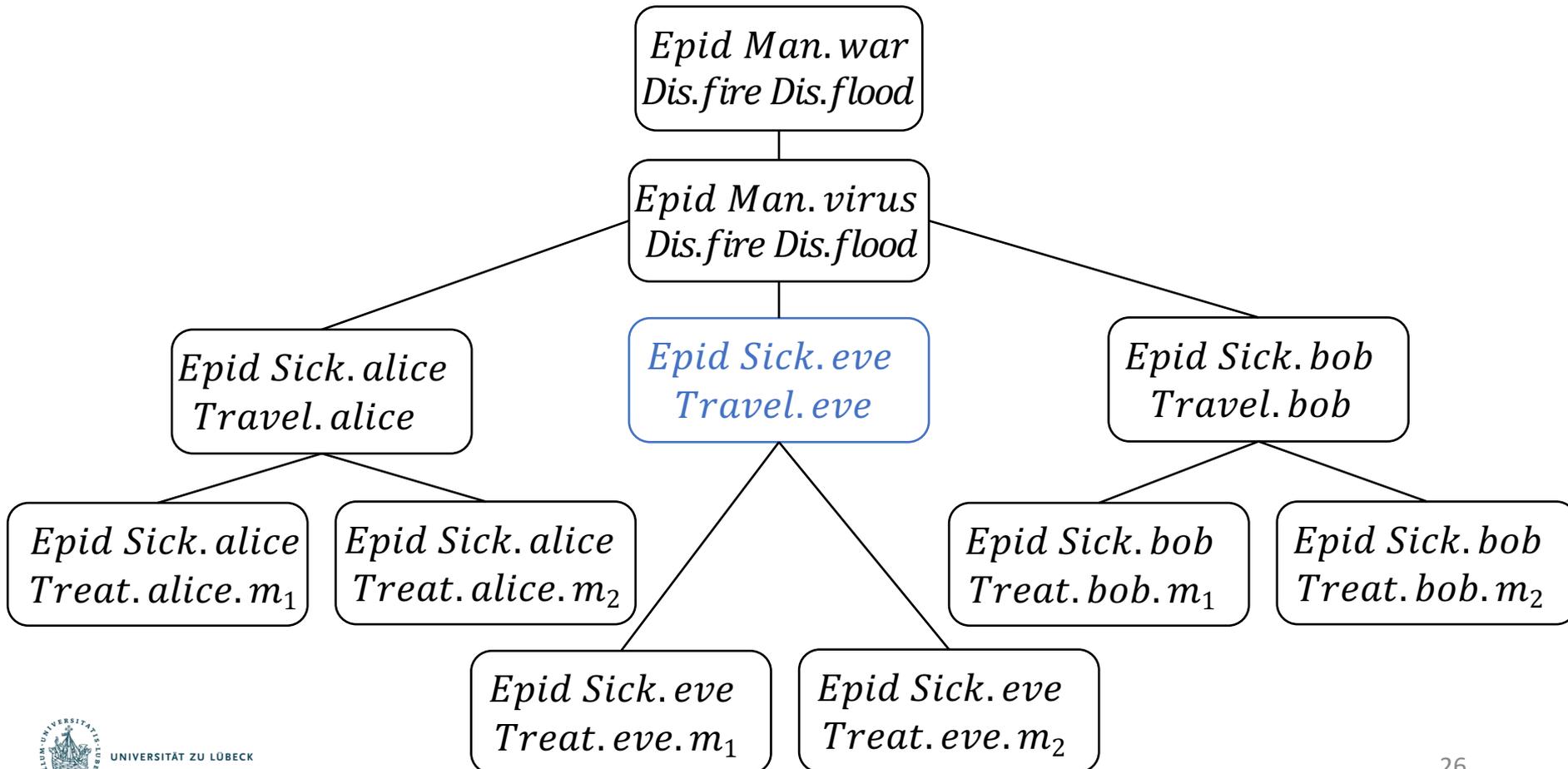
- Identify clusters in model to form **junction tree**



Junction Tree: Data Structure

Lauritzen and Spiegelhalter (1988), Shafer and Shenoy (1989), Jensen et al. (1990)

- **Clusters:** sets of variables from underlying model



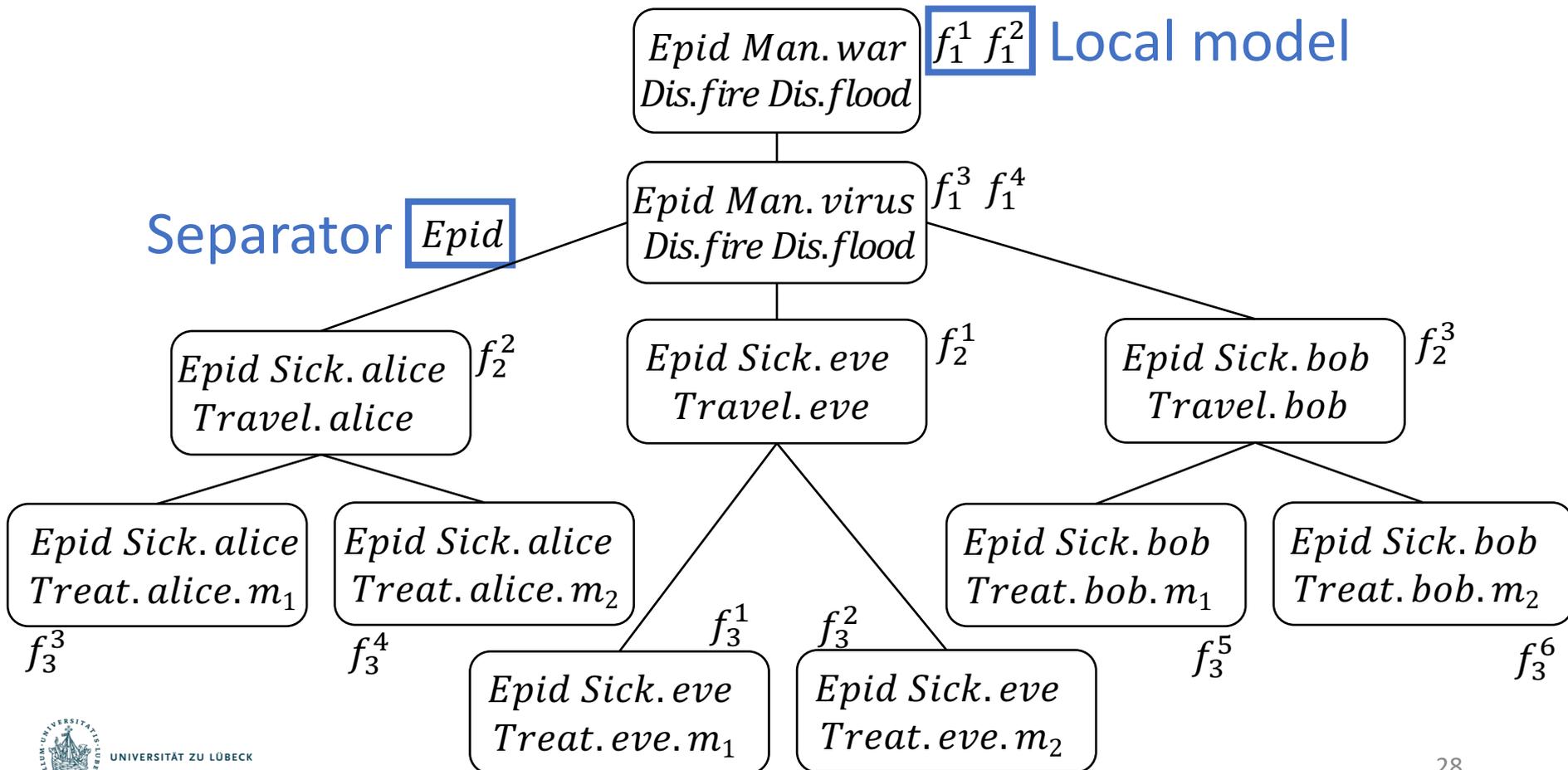
Junction Tree: Definition

Lauritzen and Spiegelhalter (1988)

- Junction tree $J = (V, E)$ for model F
 - V set of nodes, a node = cluster C
 - E set of edges
 1. A cluster C_i is a set of variables from F
 2. For every factor f in F , its arguments appear in some cluster C_i
 3. If a variable from F appears in clusters C_i and C_j , it must appear in every cluster C_k on the path between nodes i and j .
- Each cluster has a **local model** F_i : set of factors
 - factor arguments subset of cluster
 - $\bigcup_{i \in V} F_i = F$ (F_i partition F)
- **Separator**: shared variables of edges $(i, j) \in E$

Junction Tree: Components

- Clusters sufficient for QA after some preprocessing



Junction Tree: Message Passing

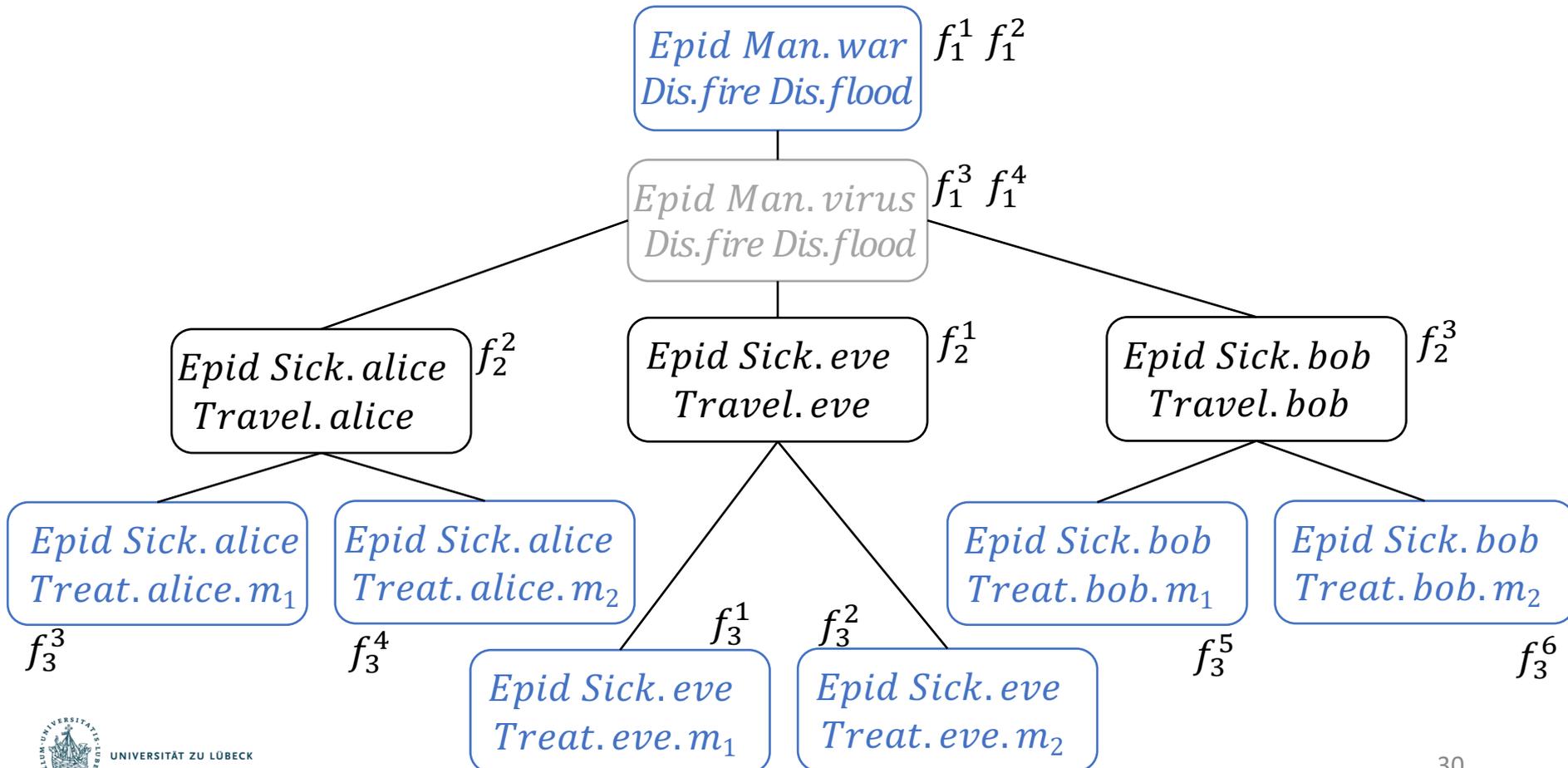
Lauritzen and Spiegelhalter (1988), Shenoy and Shafer (1990)

- Distribute local information by messages
 1. If a cluster received messages from all neighbours but one, it sends message to remaining neighbour
 2. If a cluster received all messages, it send messages to all neighbours that have not received a message yet
 - **Message:** VE on local model and other messages with query over separator
- Local computations correctness:
 - Valid junction tree (w.r.t. properties)
 - **Combination & marginalisation**
(in the form of multiplication & summing out)
- QA on local models and messages
 - Use cluster that contains query variable

Junction Tree: Messages

Shafer and Shenoy (1989)

- From **periphery** to centre and back

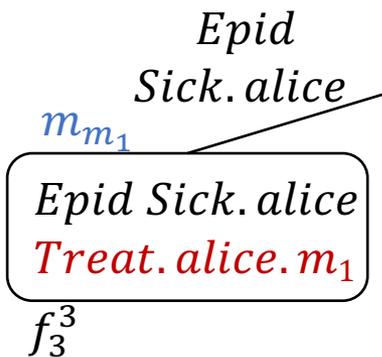


Junction Tree: Messages

Shafer and Shenoy (1989)

- Message: eliminate all **non-separator variables**
 - E.g., cluster with f_3^3 in local model

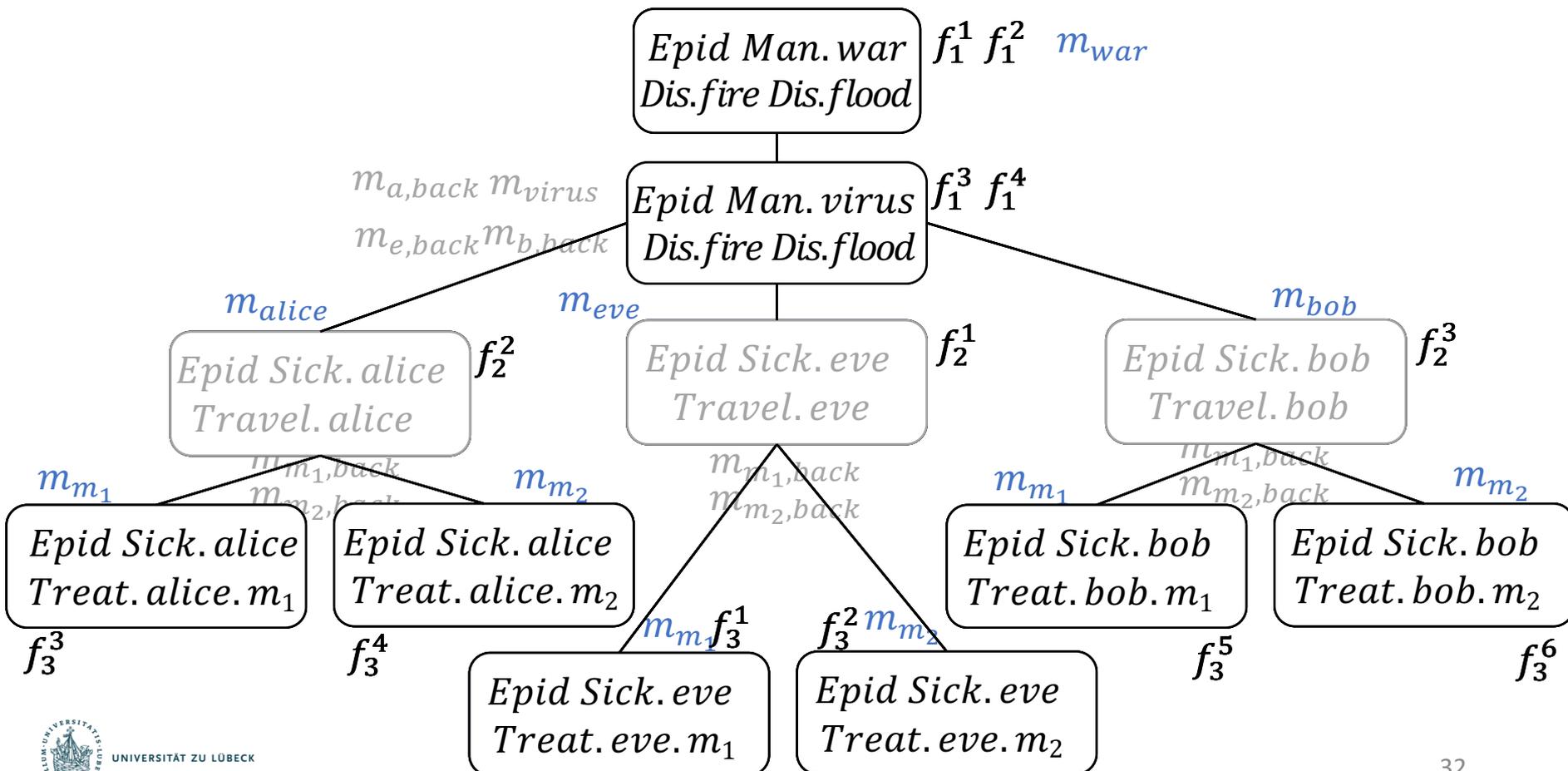
<i>Sick. alice</i>	<i>Epid</i>	Σ	<i>Treat. alice. m₁</i>	f_3^3	Σ
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	11	<i>false</i>	9	11
<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	7	<i>true</i>	2	
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>	8	<i>false</i>	3	7
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	15	<i>true</i>	4	
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>		<i>false</i>	1	8
<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>		<i>true</i>	7	
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>		<i>false</i>	6	15
<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>		<i>true</i>	9	



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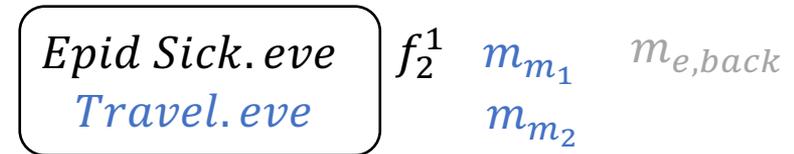
- From **periphery** to centre and back



QA: Query Answering with JT

Shafer and Shenoy (1989)

- Eliminate all variables not appearing in query
 - Through summing out
- E.g., marginal
 - $P(\textit{Travel.}eve)$

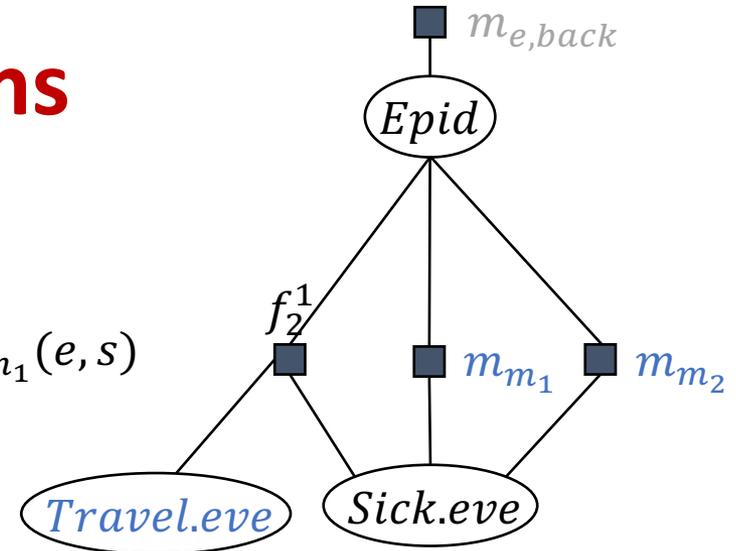


$$P(\textit{Travel.}eve) \propto$$

$$\sum_{e \in r(\textit{Epid})} m_{e,back}(e)$$

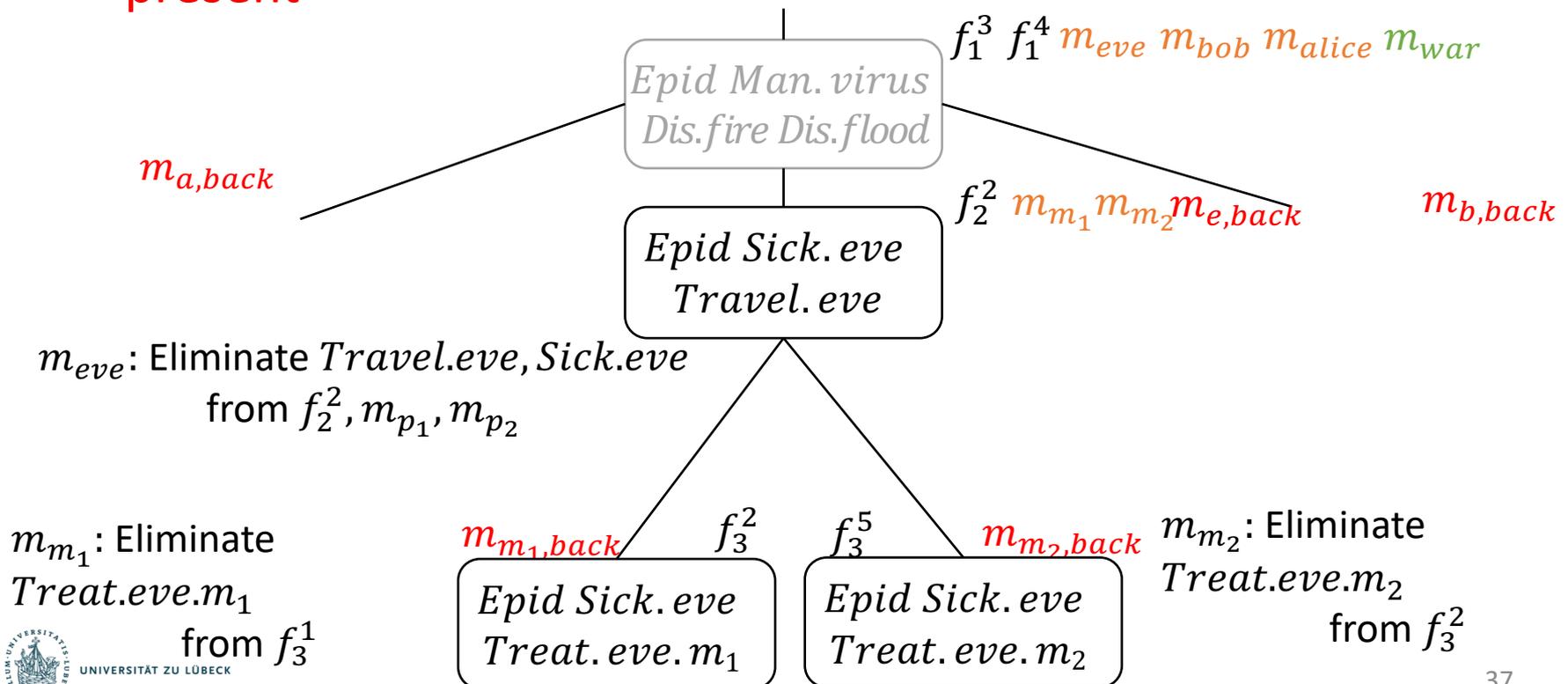
$$\sum_{s \in r(\textit{Sick.eve})} f_2^1(\textit{Travel.eve}, e, s) m_{m_1}(e, s) m_{m_2}(e, s)$$

2 sums



Junction Tree: Symmetry → Inefficiency

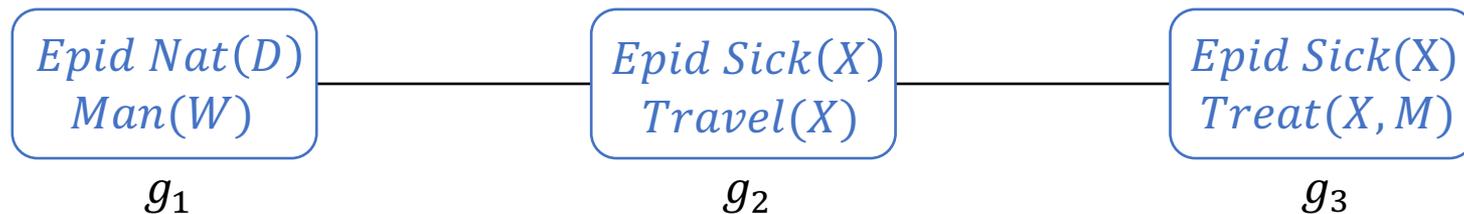
- Identical messages incoming
- Information already present
- Calculating identical messages + sending information partially present



First-order Junction Tree: FO jtree

Braun and Möller (2016)

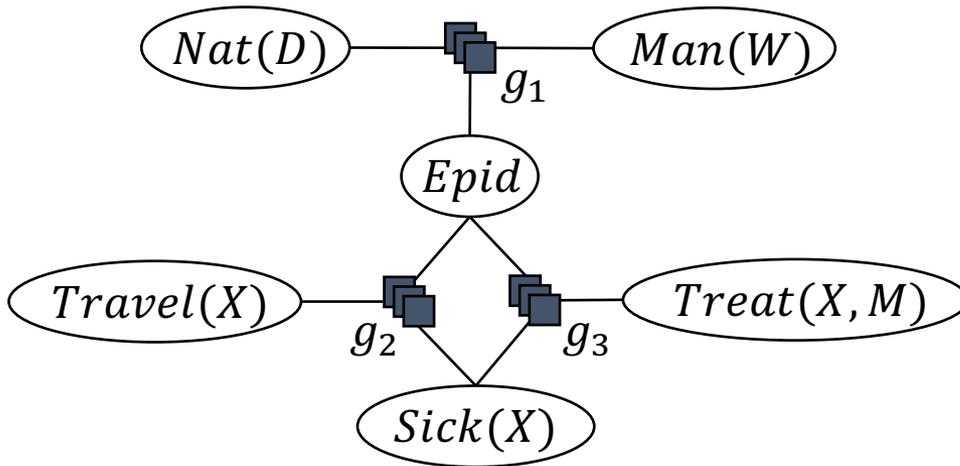
- Parameterised clusters = **parclusters**
 - Nodes of FO jtree
 - Shared PRVs between neighbours = separators
 - Parclusters have local models of parfactors
- FO jtree for parfactor model G :
 - Analogous definition, junction tree properties apply
 - Message passing, QA analogous



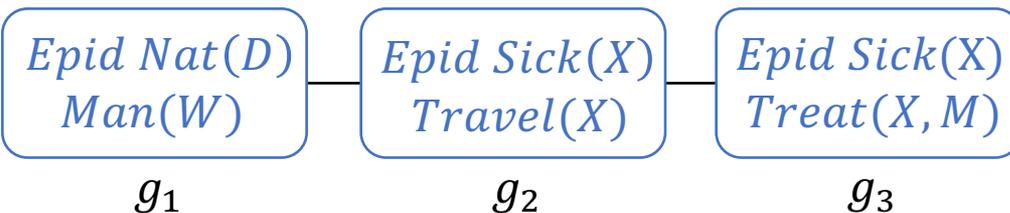
Sparse encoding!

Lifted Junction Tree Algorithm: LJT

Braun and Möller (2017)



Queries on grounded PRVs, e.g.,
Travel(eve), Treat(eve, p₁), Epid



• Input

- Model G
- Evidence E
- Queries Q

• Algorithm

1. Build FO jtree J for G
2. Enter evidence E into J
3. Pass messages in J
 - Inbound
 - Outbound
4. Answer queries Q

LJT: Example Input

Braun and Möller (2017)

- Model $G = \{g_i\}_{i=1}^3$
 - $g_1(\text{Epid}, \text{Nat}(D), \text{Man}(W))$
 - $g_2(\text{Travel}(X), \text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(X))$
 - $g_3(\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(X), \text{Treat}(X, M))$

→ Including function specification
- Evidence $E = \{\text{Sick}(\text{alice}) = \text{true}, \text{Sick}(\text{eve}) = \text{true}\}$
- Queries $Q = \{\text{Travel}(\text{eve}), \text{Epid}\}$
- Algorithm
 1. Build FO jtree J for G

FO Jtree Construction

- Propositional junction tree construction
 - Triangulation, compute maximum spanning tree, ...
 - Hypergraph partitioning
 - Decomposition tree (dtree), clusters, ...
- First-order: logical variables Taghipour et al. (2013b)
 - First-order decomposition trees (**FO dtrees**)
 - FO dtrees have node properties (cutset, context, **cluster**)
 - (FO) dtree + clusters = (FO) jtree
 - Heuristic to build an FO dtree
(logical variables guide the construction)

Lifted Junction Tree Algorithm: LJT

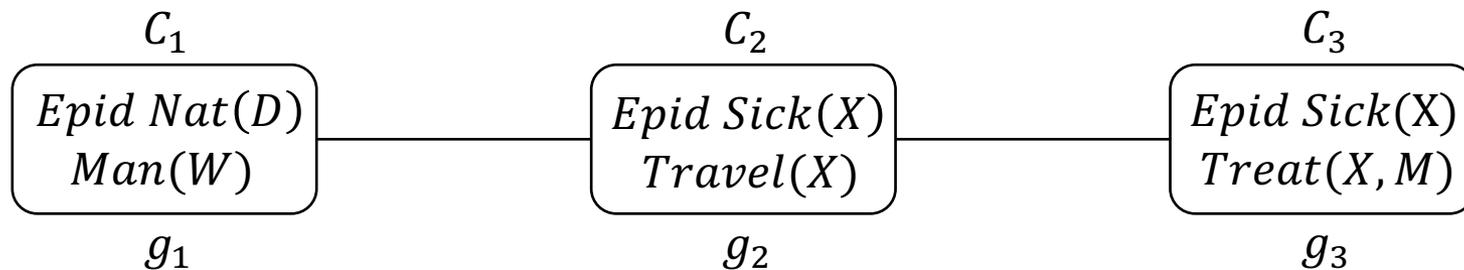
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- Algorithm

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LJT: Enter Evidence

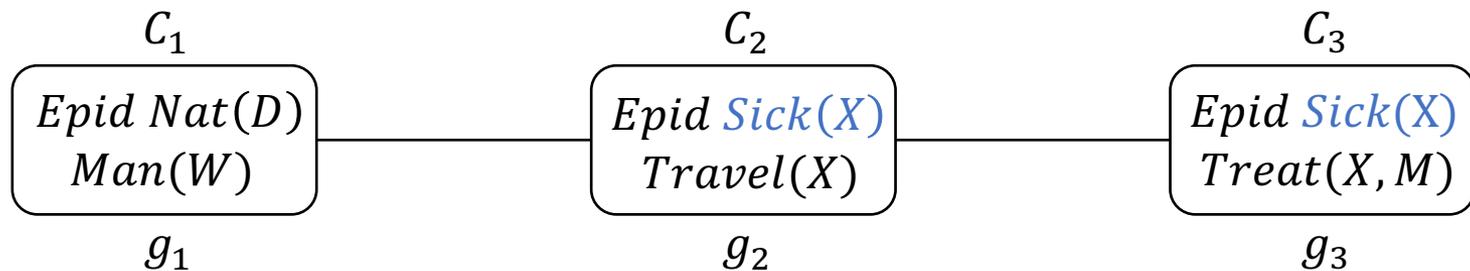
- Evidence as a set of events
 - $E = \{Sick(eve) = true, Sick(alice) = true\}$
- Evidence as a parfactor
 - $g_E(Sick(X'))$
 - $X' \in \{eve, alice\}$
 - Function specification

$Sick(X')$	g_E
<i>false</i>	0
<i>true</i>	1

- At every parcluster that contains evidence variables, enter evidence

LJT: Enter Evidence

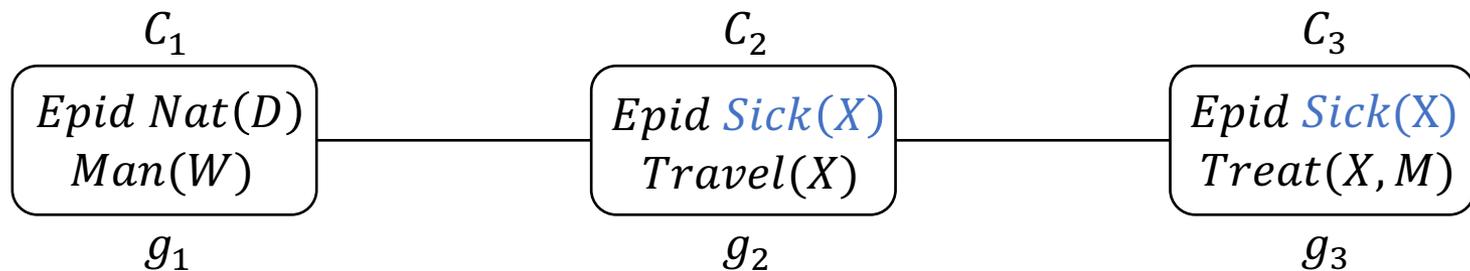
- At every parcluster that contains evidence variables
 - $g_E(\textit{Sick}(X')), X' \in \{\textit{eve}, \textit{alice}\}$
 - Parclusters
 - $\textit{Sick}(X') \notin C_1$
 - $\textit{Sick}(X') \subset C_2$
 - $\textit{Sick}(X') \subset C_3$



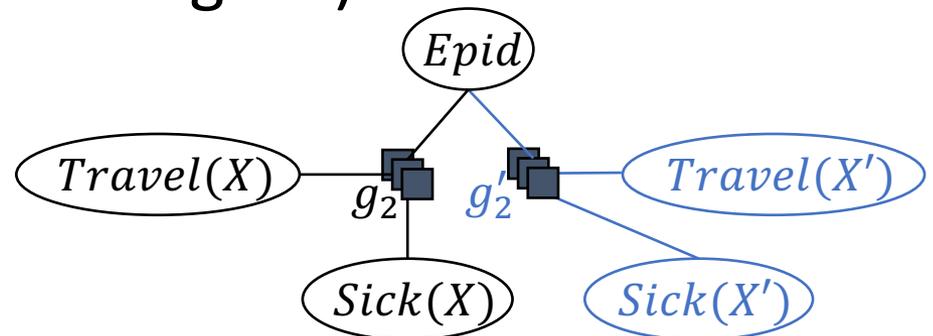
- Enter evidence at C_2 and C_3

LJT: Enter Evidence

- At every parcluster that contains evidence variables
 - $g_E(\text{Sick}(X'))$, $X' \in \{\text{eve}, \text{alice}\}$
 - Parclusters C_2 and C_3



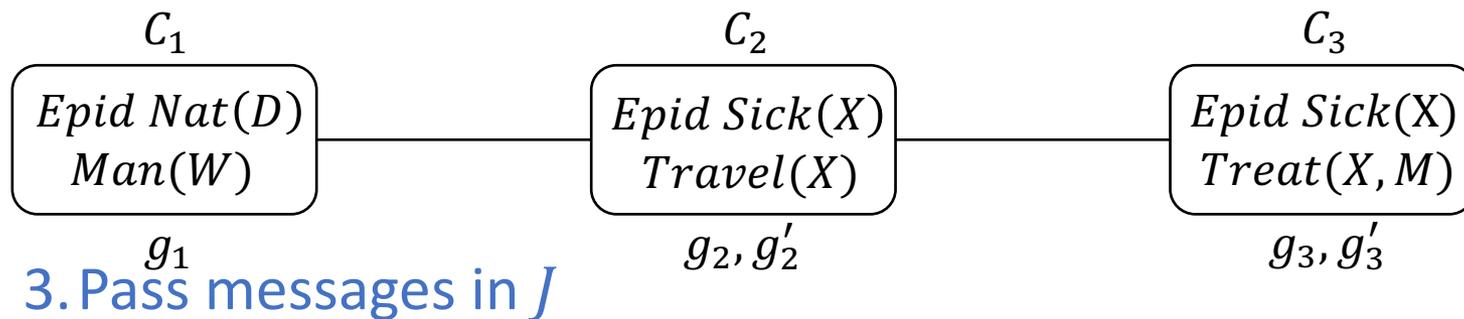
- Enter evidence at C_2 (C_3 analogous)
 - Split local model
 - $X \in \{\text{bob}, \dots\}$
 - Absorb evidence in g'_2



Lifted Junction Tree Algorithm: LJT

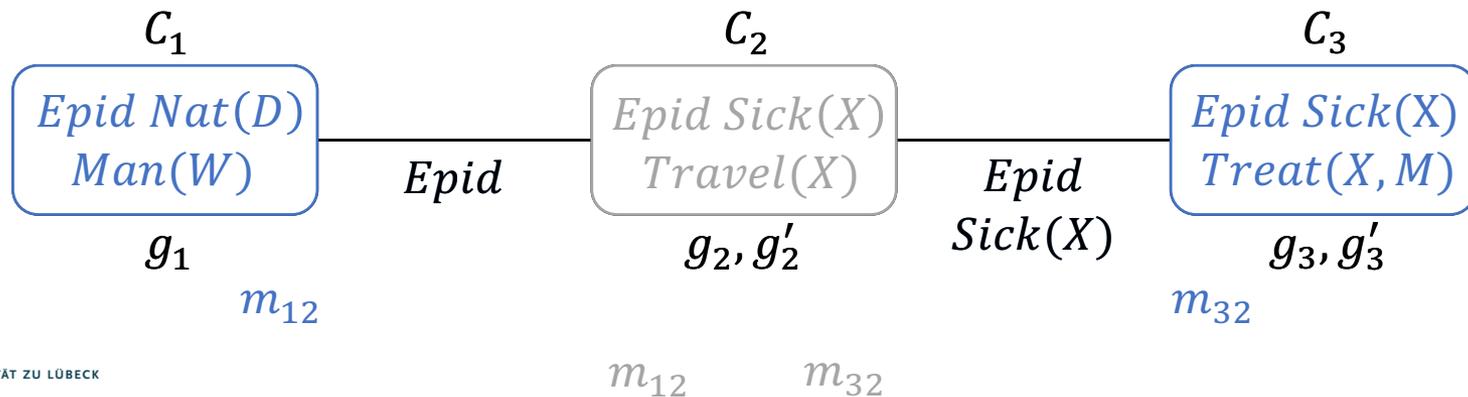
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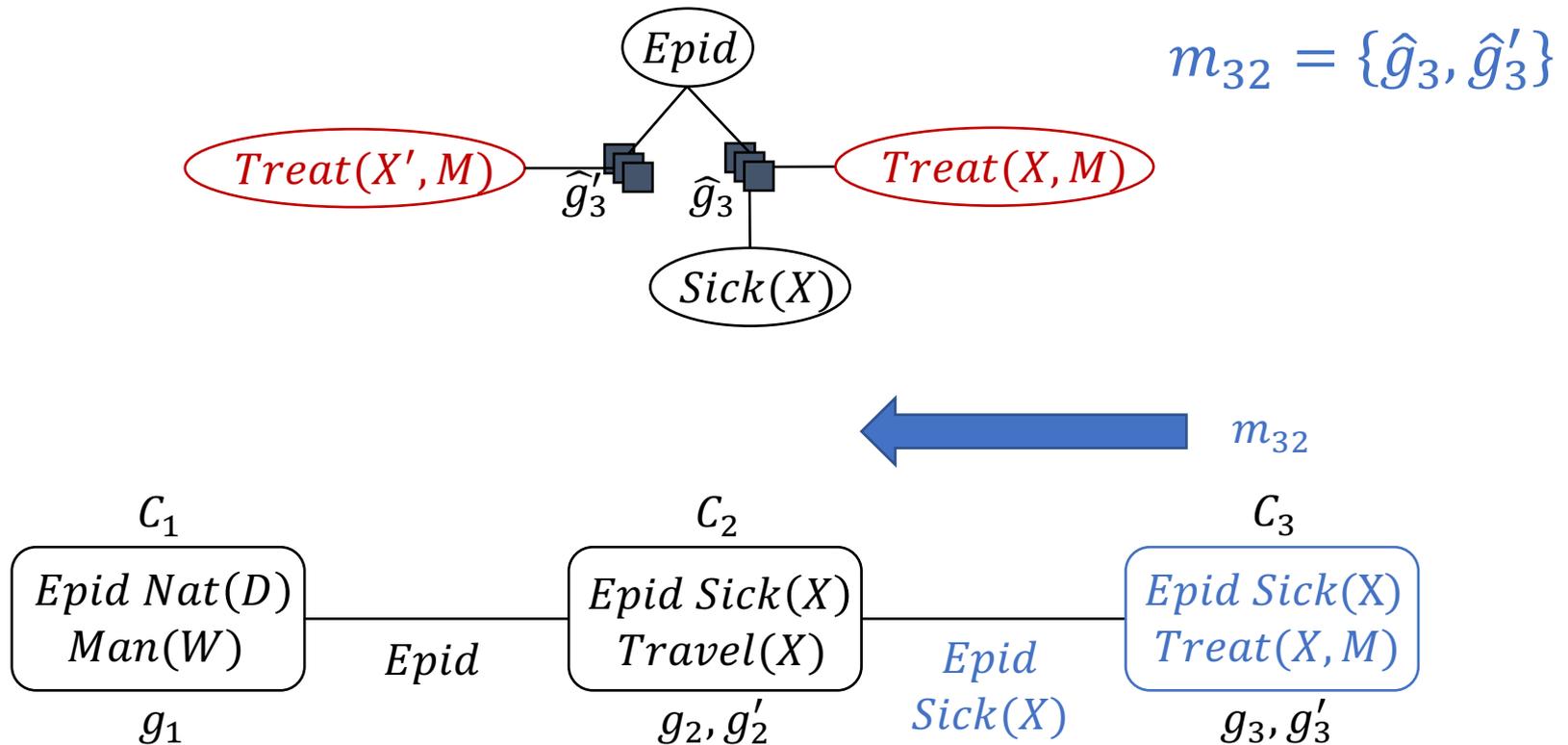
LJT: Pass Messages

- Separators
- Messages
 - Inbound
 - m_{12} from C_1 to C_2 over *Epid*
 - m_{32} from C_3 to C_2 over *Epid, Sick(X)*
 - Outbound
 - m_{21} from C_1 to C_2 over *Epid*
 - m_{23} from C_3 to C_2 over *Epid, Sick(X)*



LJT: Example Message Inbound

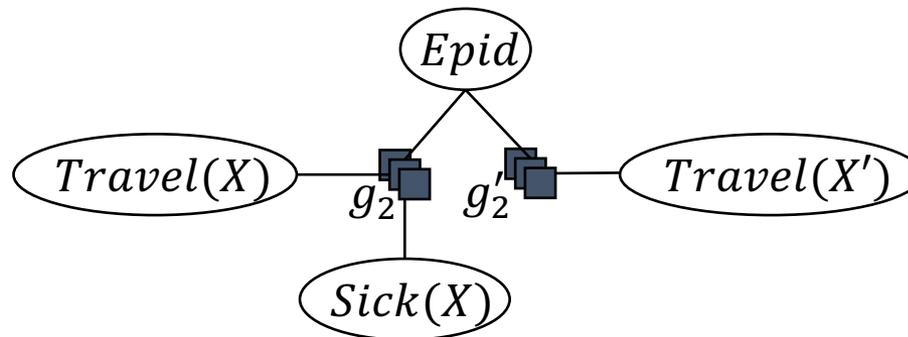
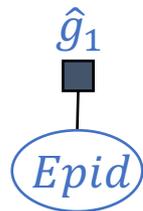
- m_{32} from C_3 to C_2
 - Eliminate $Treat(X, P), Treat(X', P)$



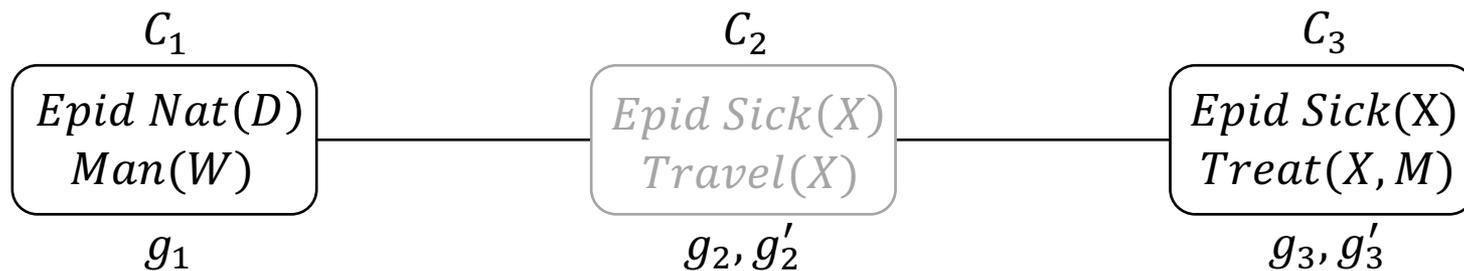
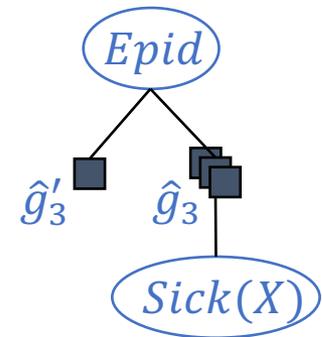
LJT: Messages at C_2

- After m_{12} and m_{32} arrived

$$m_{12} = \{\hat{g}_1\}$$



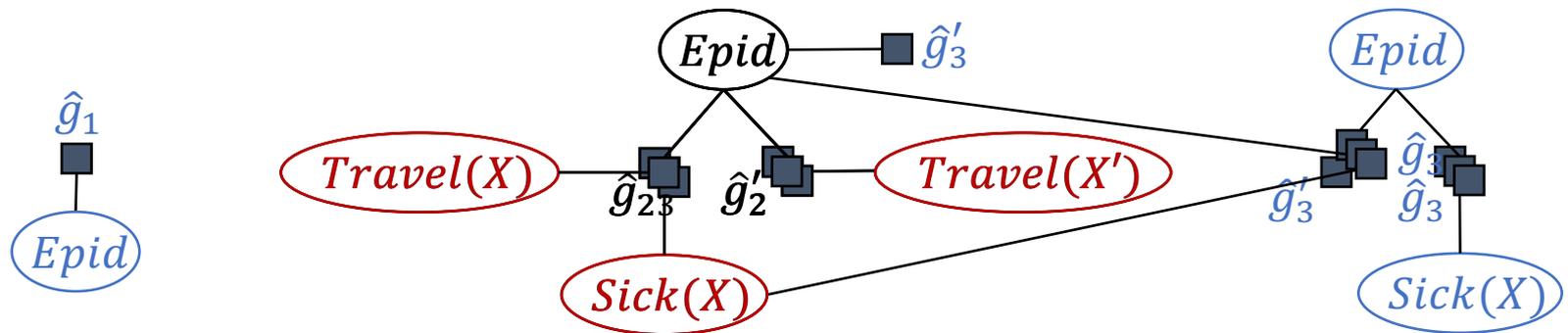
$$m_{32} = \{\hat{g}_3, \hat{g}'_3\}$$



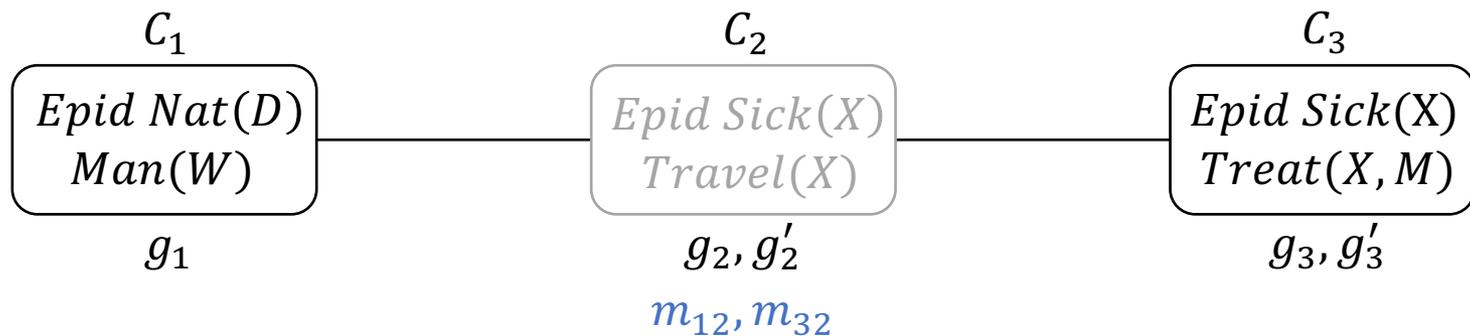
m_{12}, m_{32}

LJT: Example Message Outbound

- m_{21} from C_2 to C_1
 - Eliminate *Sick(X), Travel(X), Travel(X')* from g_2, g'_2, m_{32}

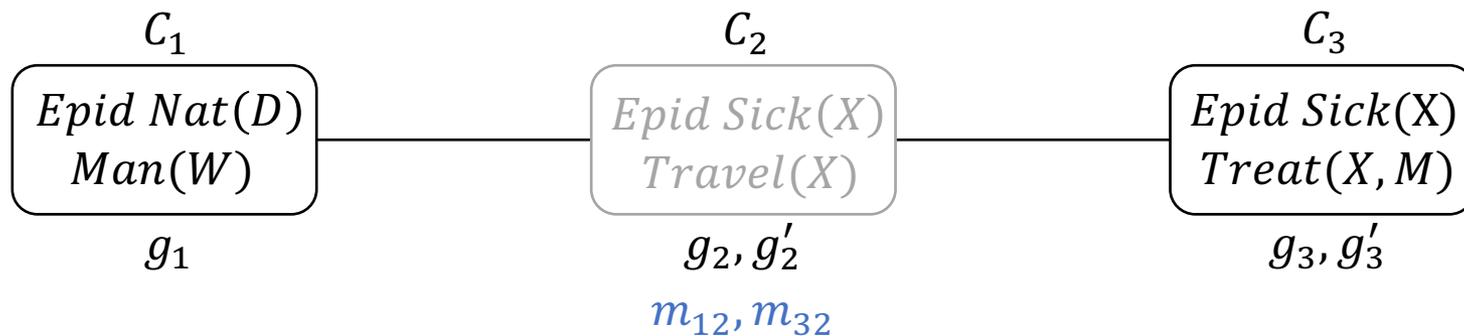
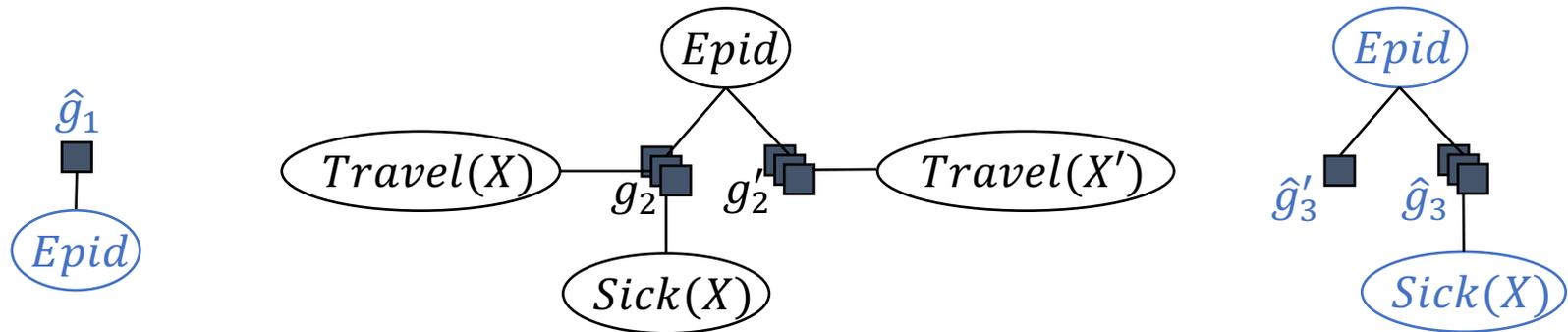


$$m_{21} = \{\hat{g}_{23}, \hat{g}'_2, \hat{g}'_3\}$$



LJT: Example Message Outbound

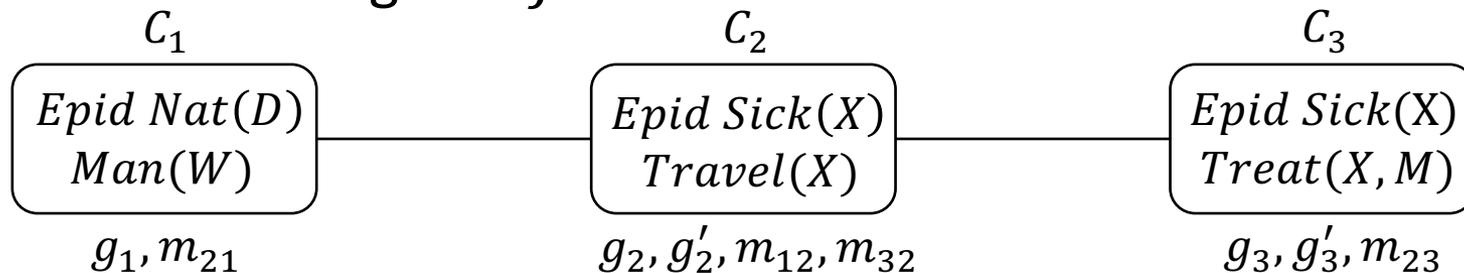
- m_{23} from C_2 to C_3
 - Eliminate $Travel(X), Travel(X')$ from g_2, g'_2, m_{12}



Lifted Junction Tree Algorithm: LJT

Braun and Möller (2017)

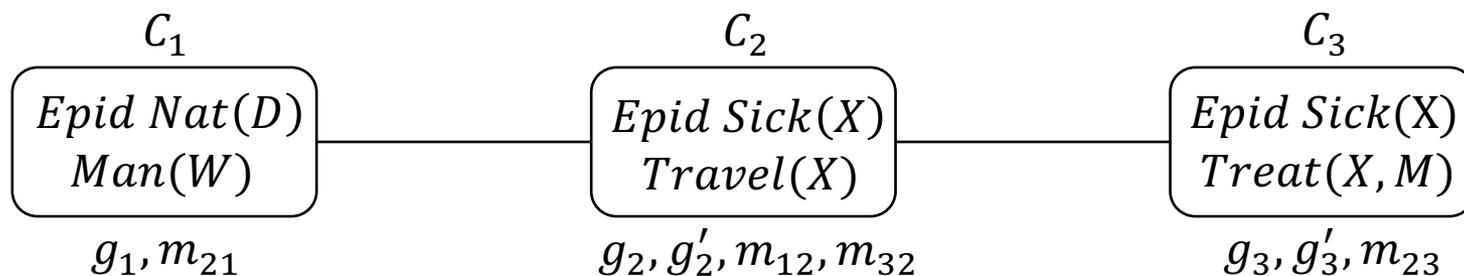
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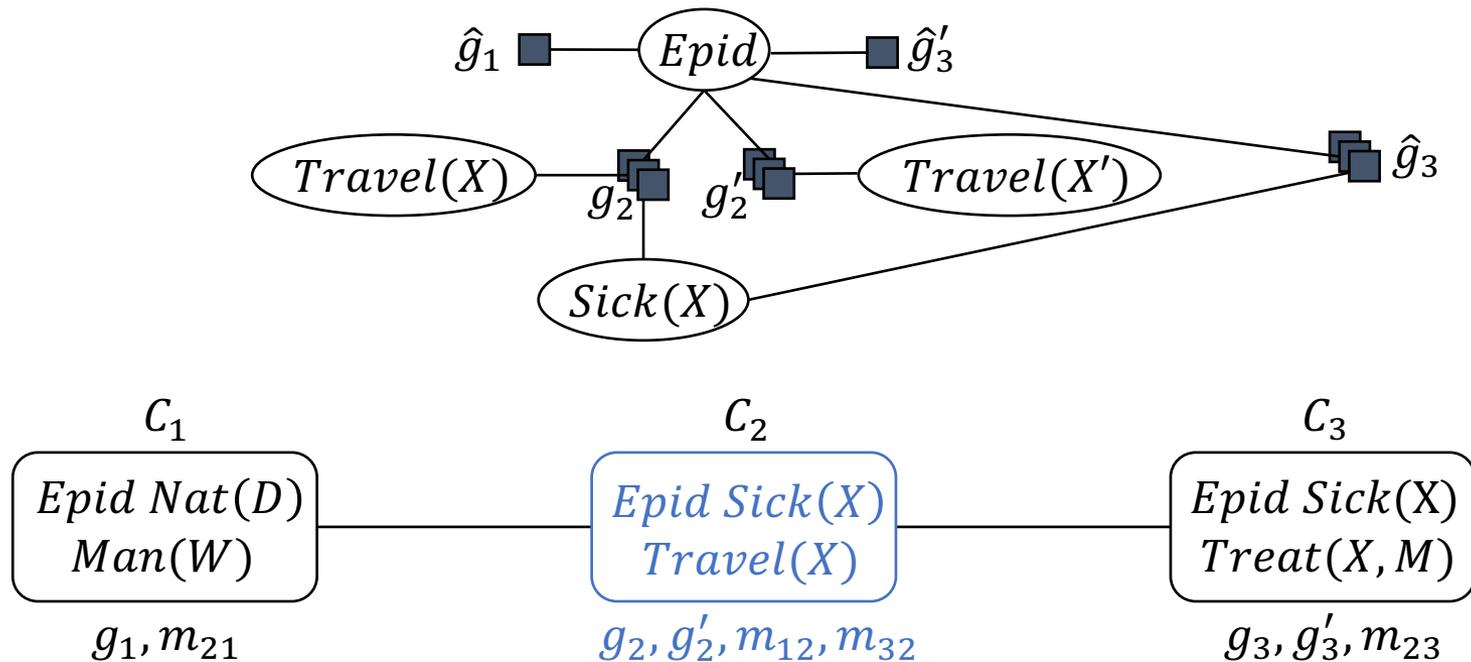
LJT: Answer Queries

- Queries $Q = \{Travel(eve), Epid\}$
- For each query Q
 - Find **parcluster** that contains Q
 - Extract **submodel** of local model and messages
 - Use LVE to answer Q



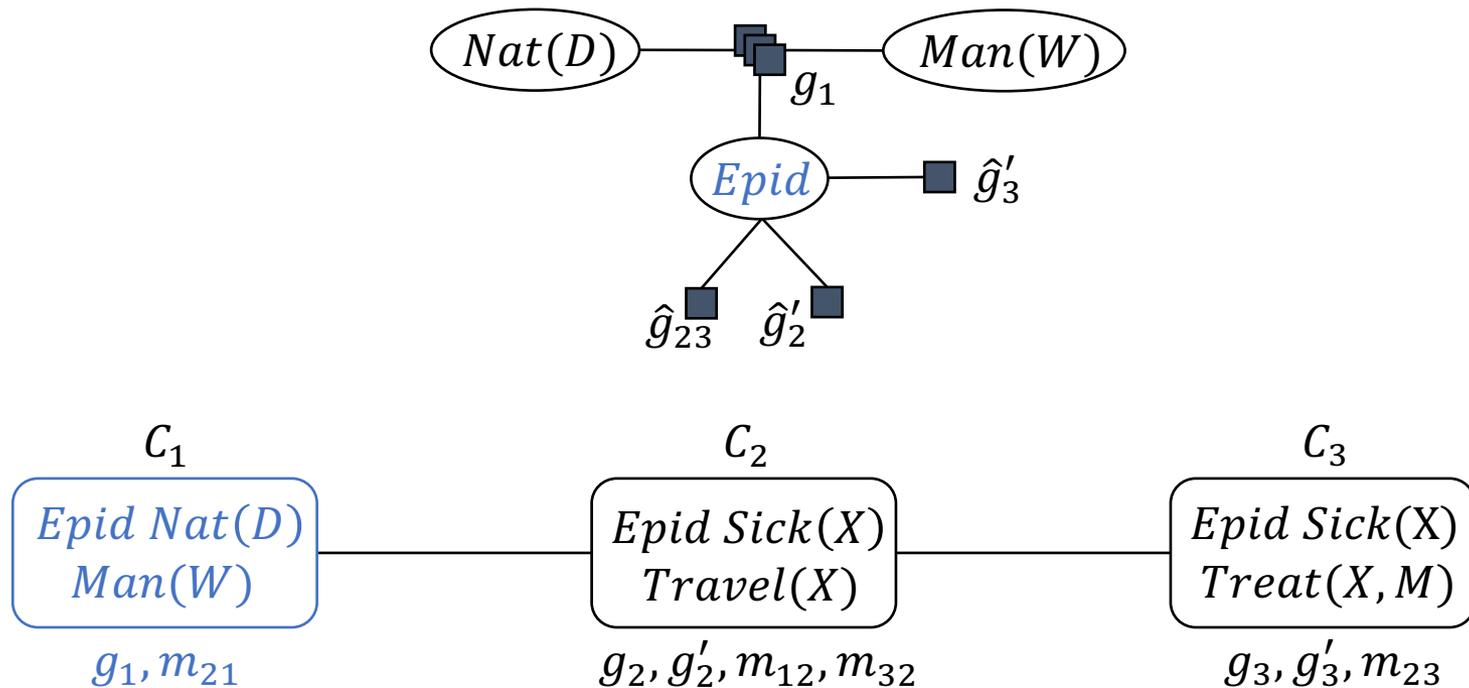
LJT: Answer Queries

- $Q_1 = Travel(eve)$
 - Find parcluster: C_2
 - Extract submodel: $G' = \{g_2, g'_2, m_{12}, m_{32}\}$
 - Answer $Travel(eve)$ with LVE



LJT: Answer Queries

- $Q_2 = Epid$
 - Find parcluster: C_1 (any of the three parclusters)
 - Extract submodel: $G' = \{g_1, m_{21}\}$
 - Answer *Epid* with LVE



LJT: Analysis

- Static overhead
 - Construction
 - Evidence entering
 - Message passing
- Payoff during QA
 - Multiple queries
 - Complexity of LVE for one query = Complexity of message pass in LJT

Queries all under the same evidence

$$E = \{Sick(eve) = true, \\ Sick(alice) = true\}$$

Extending LVE and LJT

- Lifiable models (**fusion**)
- Conjunctive queries
 - $P(\text{Epid}, \text{Travel}(\text{eve}))$
- **Isomorphic query terms** (**parameterised queries**)
 - $P(\text{Sick}(\text{eve}), \text{Sick}(\text{alice}), \text{Sick}(\text{bob})) \triangleq P(\text{Sick}(X))$
- Most probable assignment (**MPE, MAP**)
 - New **argmax** operators
- Adaptive inference (**incremental changes**)
 - Evidence, model structure, parfactors
→ Adaptive steps of LJT

Isomorphic Conjunctive Queries

Braun and Möller (2018a)

- $Q = \text{Sick}(\text{alice}) \wedge \text{Sick}(\text{eve}) \wedge \text{Sick}(\text{bob})$

- Same parcl...

- But

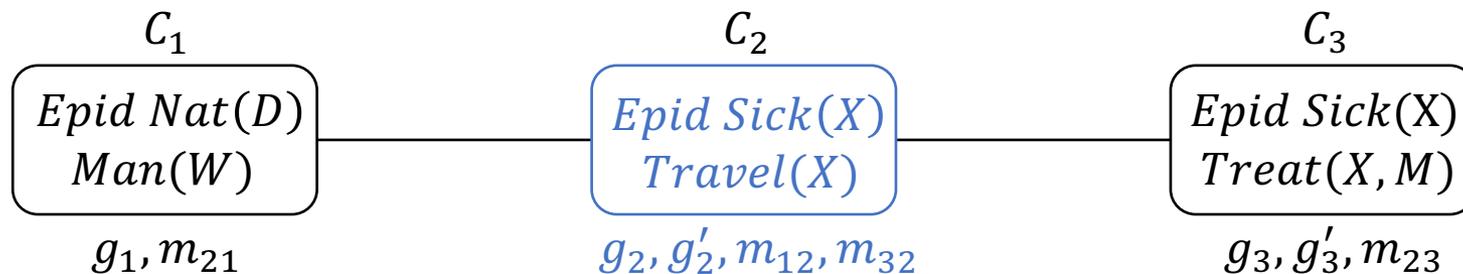
- Split mode

- Eliminate r
 - large inter

- Normalise

<i>Sick(alice)</i>	<i>Sick(eve)</i>	<i>Sick(bob)</i>	<i>g</i>
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	1
<i>false</i>	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	2
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query
tical sums,



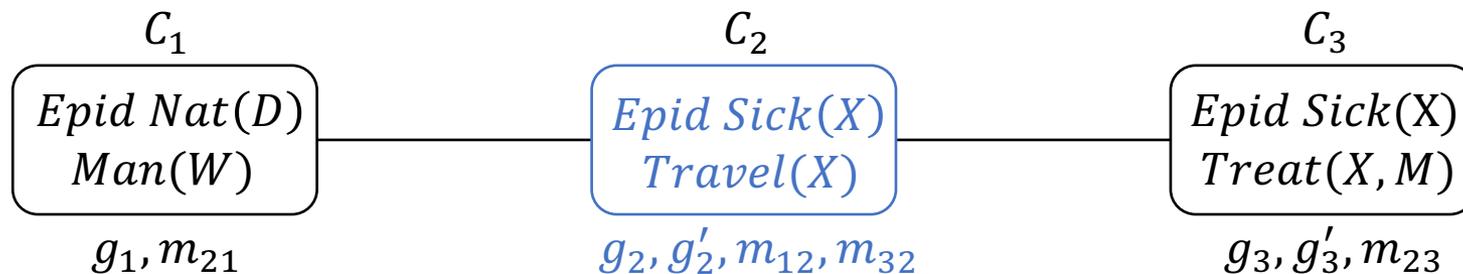
Parameterised Queries

Braun and Möller (2018a)

- Compact query representation
- Lifted computations during LVE
- Compact result representation

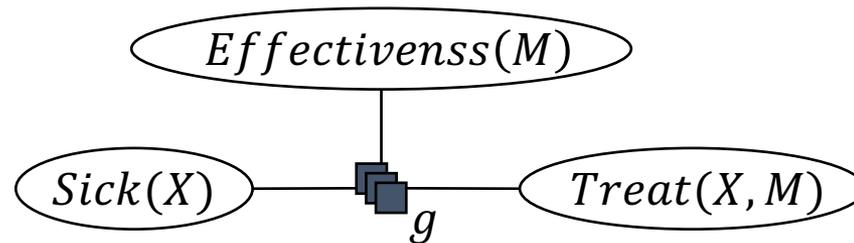
- $Q = Sick(X)$
- Result: $\#_X[Sick(X)]$

$\#_X[Sick(X)]$	g
[0,3]	1
[1,2]	2
[2,1]	3
[3,0]	4



Grounding Parameterised Queries

- $g(\text{Sick}(X), \text{Treat}(X, P), \text{Effectiveness}(P))$



- $Q = \text{Treat}(X, M)$
 - LVE grounds one logical variable
- $Q = \text{Sick}(X), \text{Treat}(X, M), \text{Effectiveness}(M)$
 - LVE grounds one logical variable
 - Compare forbidden queries in PDBs (Dalvi & Suciu 12)

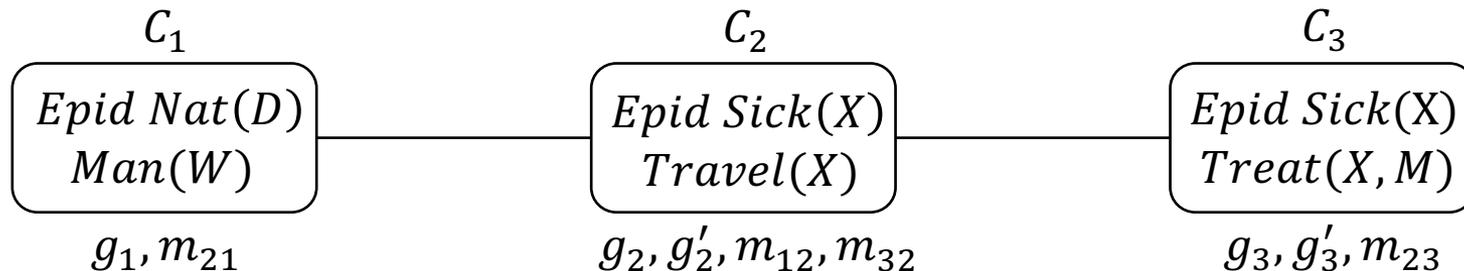
Does it have to be LVE in LJT?

Braun and Möller (2018c)

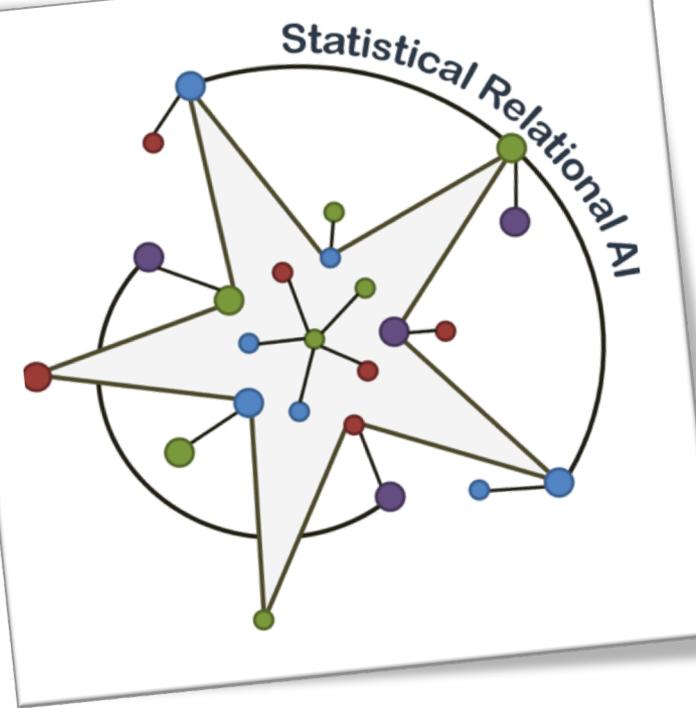
LJT with LVE &

First-order Knowledge Compilation (FOKC)
to solve a WFOMC problem

- LVE for evidence entering and message passing
- FOKC for query answering



- Other lifted algorithms to replace LVE in LJT...

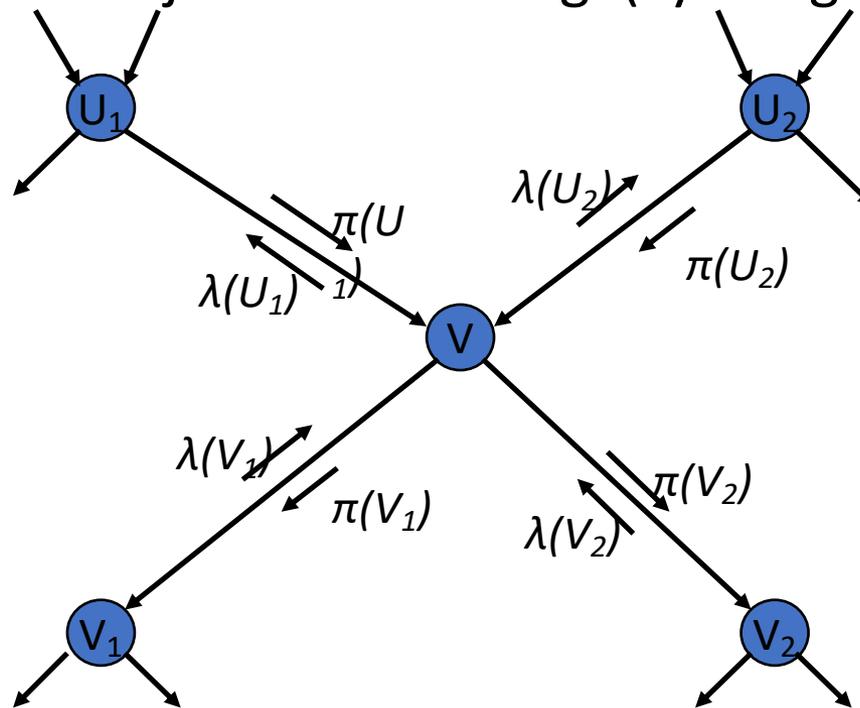


But...

From where comes the lifted model?

A Bit of History...

- Pearl's Belief propagation [Pearl 1982]
 - Messages on Bayes net
 - Exact for polytrees (**no cycles in undirected graph!**)
 - Precursor of junction tree alg. (cycles go into clusters)



J. Pearl, Reverend Bayes on Inference Engines: A Distributed Hierarchical Approach. Proc. AAAI-82. 1982.

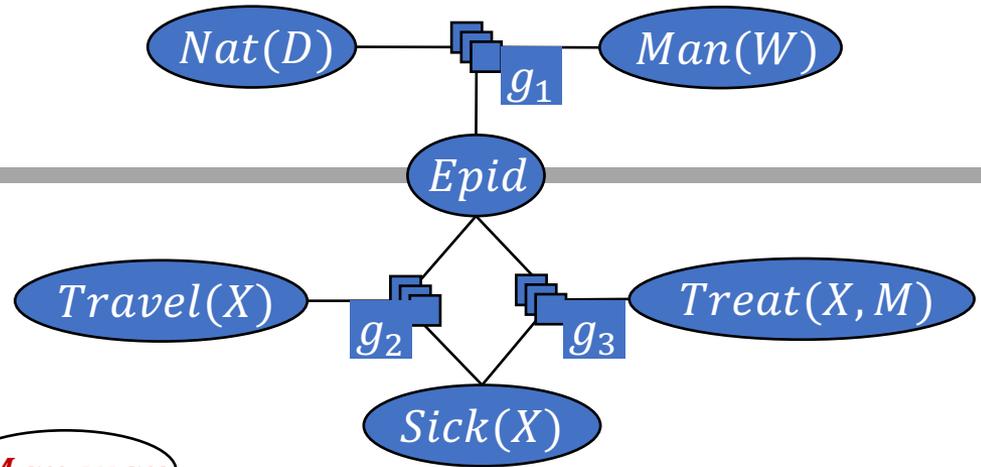
Loopy Belief Propagation

- Pass messages on graph
 - If no cycles: exact
 - Else: approximate
- Lifted (loopy) belief propagation
 - Exploit computational symmetries
 - Compress graph whenever nodes would send identical messages
 - Send messages on compressed graph

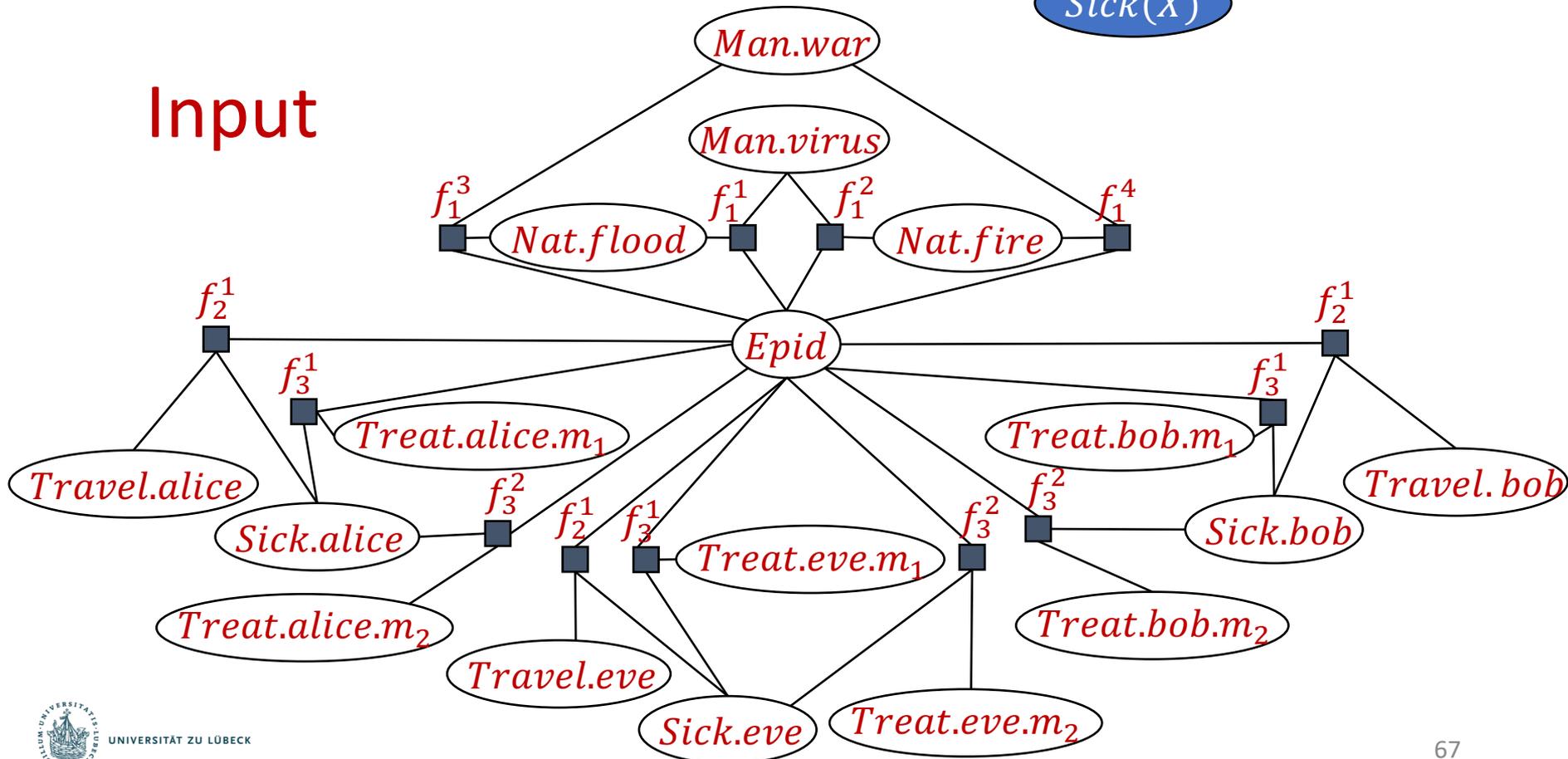
→ Colour passing algorithm for compression

Compression

Goal



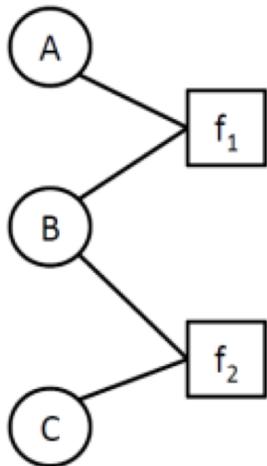
Input



Compression: Pass the colours around*

- **Colour nodes according to the evidence you have**

- No evidence, say **red**
- State „one“, say **brown**
- State „two“, say **orange**
- ...

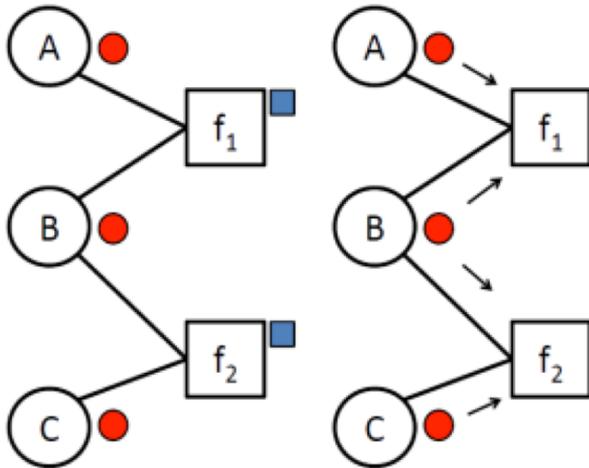


- **Colour factors distinctively according to their equivalences** For instance, assuming f_1 and f_2 to be identical and B appears at the second position within both, say **blue**

*can also be done at the „lifted“, i.e., relational level

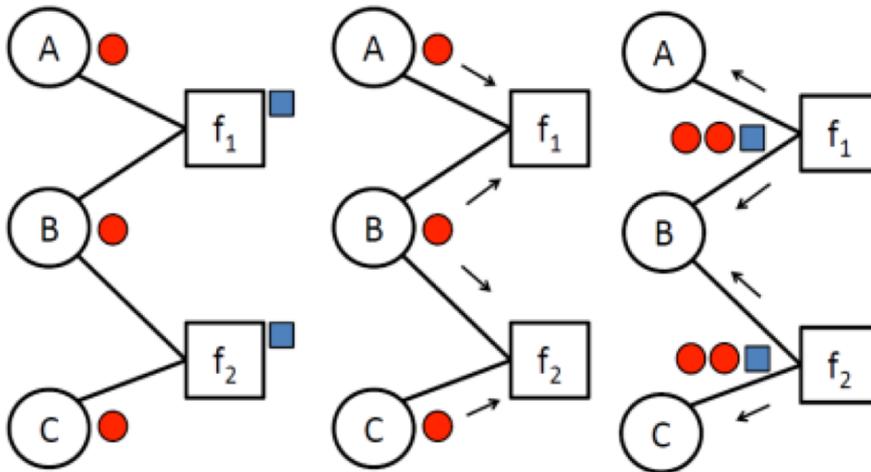
Compression: Pass the colours around

1. Each factor collects the colours of its neighbouring nodes



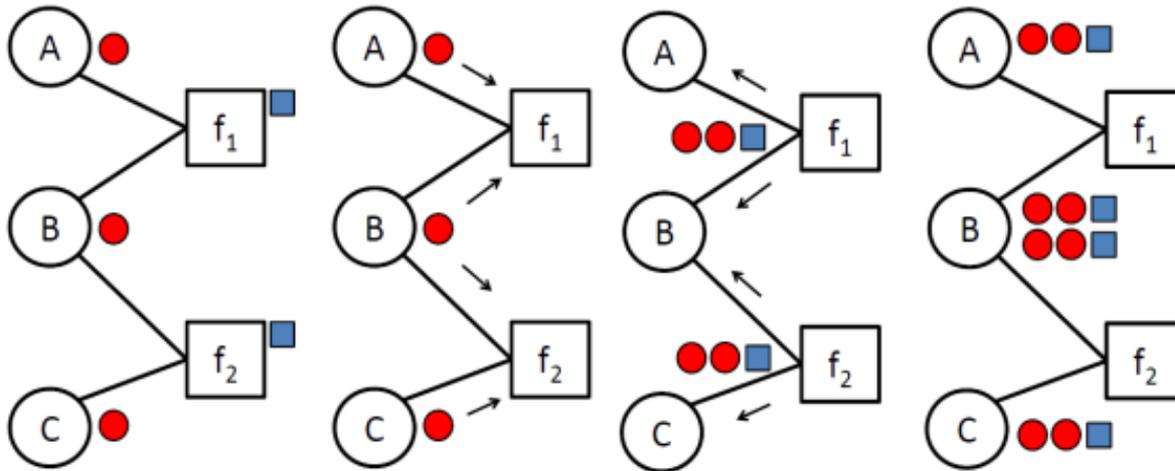
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1. Each factor collects the colours of its neighbouring nodes
2. Each factor „signs“ its colour signature with its own colour



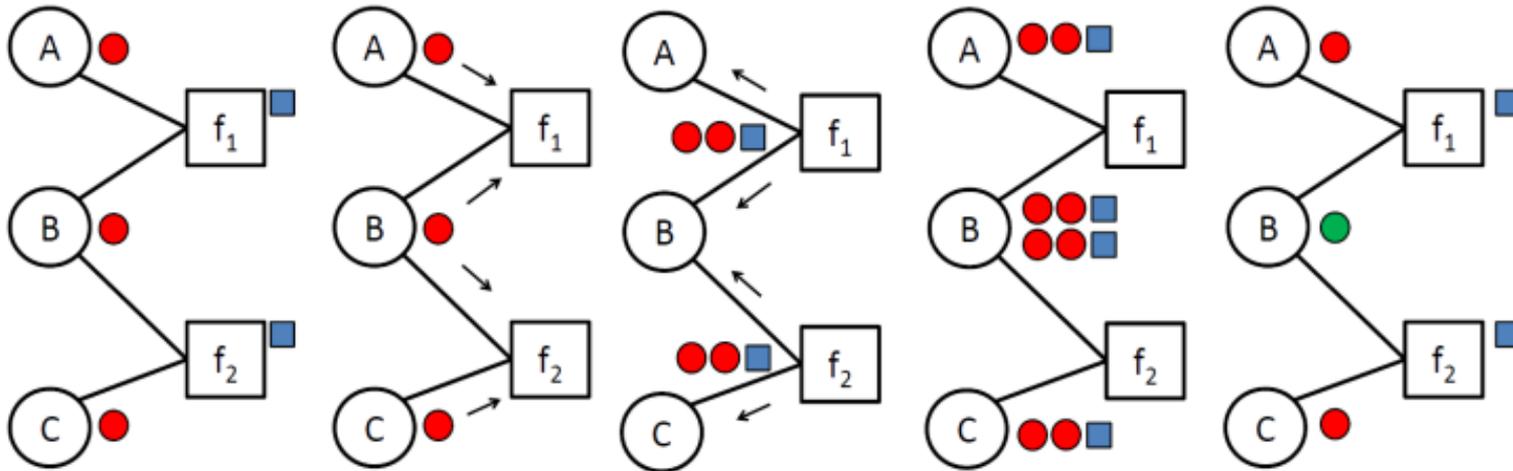
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3. Each node collects the signatures of its neighbouring factors



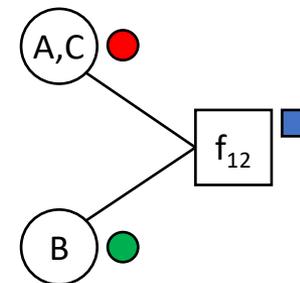
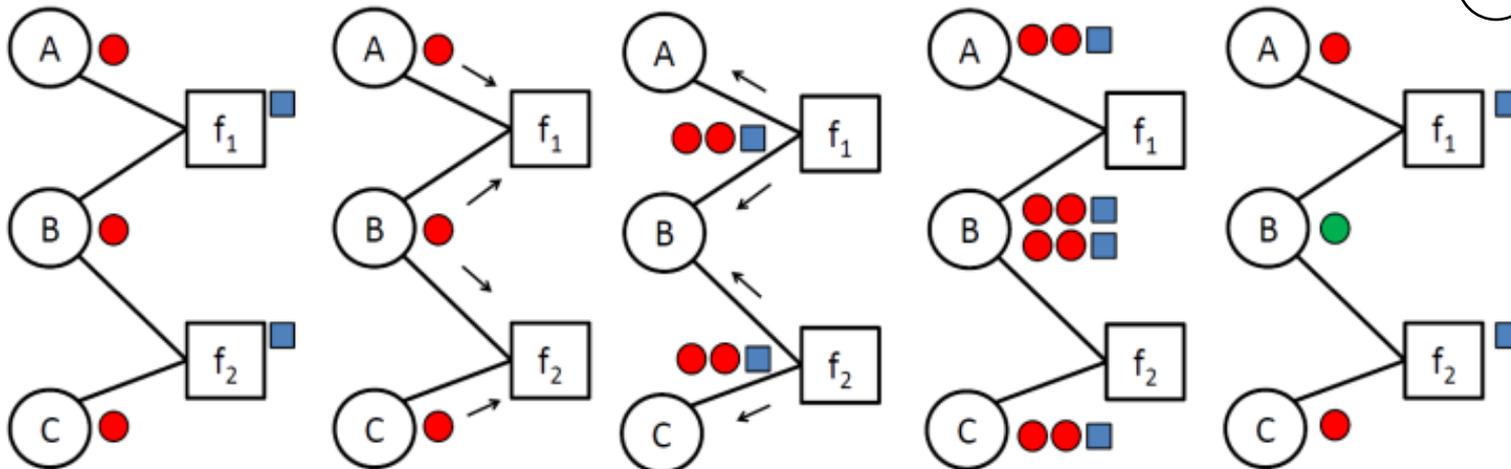
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4. Nodes are recoloured according to the collected signatures
5. If no new colour is created stop, otherwise go back to 1



Outlook

- Continue optimising
 - Parallelisation
 - Caching
- From discrete over interval to continuous ranges
- Learning?
 - Structure
 - Potentials
 - Symmetries
 - *Transfer learning*
- Open world?
 - Unknown domains
 - Unknown behaviour

Wrap-up Exact Lifted Inference

- Parfactor models for **sparse encoding**
 - Factorisation of full joint distribution
 - Logical variables to model objects
- Algorithms for exact query answering
 - **LVE** for single inference
 - **LJT** for repeated inference
 - Extensions possible
 - Parameterised, conjunctive queries
 - Temporal models
 - Incremental changes
 - Assignment queries
- Colour passing for compressing models

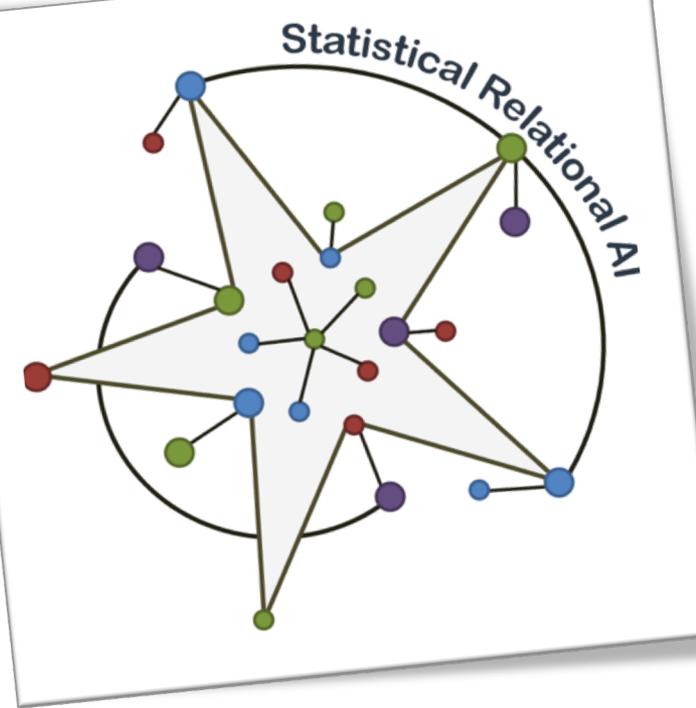
Next: Temporal Lifted Inference

Mission and Schedule of the Tutorial*

Providing an introduction into inference in StaRAI

- Introduction 20 min ✓
 - StaR AI
- Overview: Probabilistic relational modeling 30 min ✓
 - Semantics (grounded-distributional, maximum entropy)
 - Inference problems and their applications
 - Algorithms and systems
- Scalable static inference 40 + 30 min ✓
 - Exact propositional inference
 - Exact lifted inference
- Scalable dynamic inference 50 min
 - Exact propositional inference
 - Exact lifted inference
- Summary 10 min

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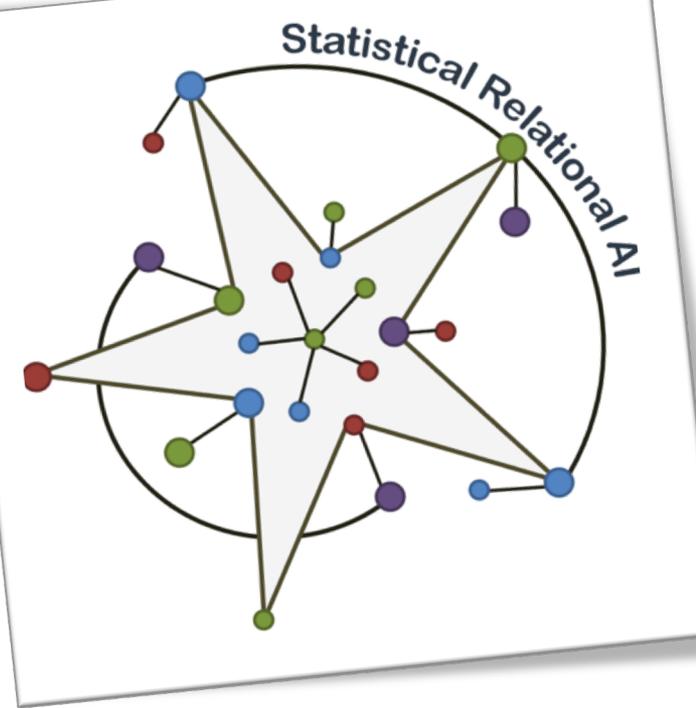
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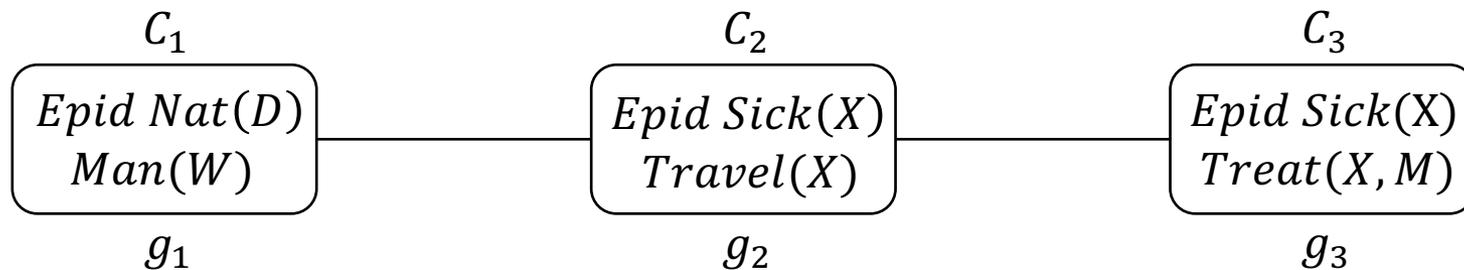


Appendix

Extensions to LVE and LJT

New Evidence? Back to Step 2

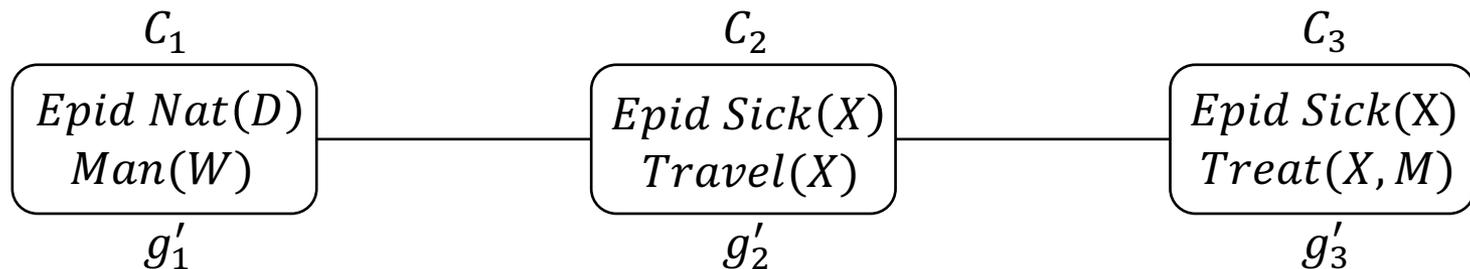
- Input
 - Model G
 - Evidence $E = \{Epid = true\}$
 - Queries Q
- Algorithm
 1. Build FO jtree J for G



2. Enter evidence E into J

And continue...

- Input
 - Model G
 - Evidence $E = \{Epid = true\}$
 - Queries Q
- Algorithm
 1. Build FO jtree J for G
 2. Enter evidence E into J



3. Pass messages

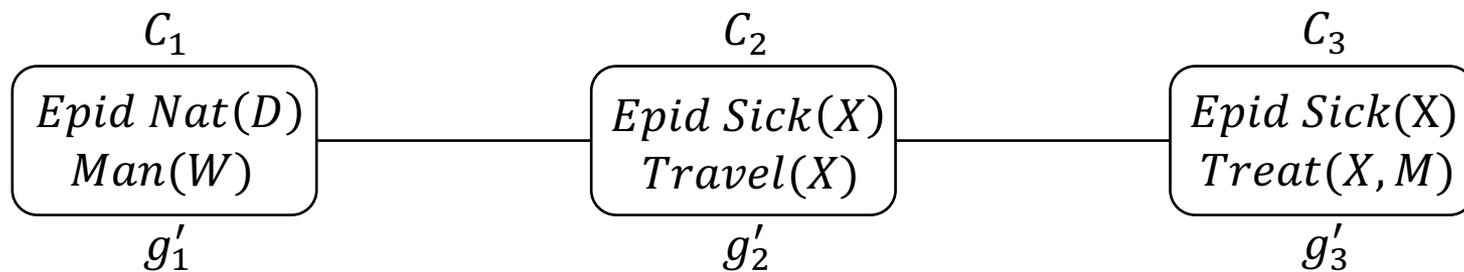
What about incremental changes?

Braun and Möller (2018)

- Input
 - Model G
 - Evidence $E = \{Epid = true\} \cup \{Travel(eve) = true\}$
 - Queries Q

- Algorithm

1. Build FO jtree J for G



2. Enter evidence E into J incrementally

What about incremental changes?

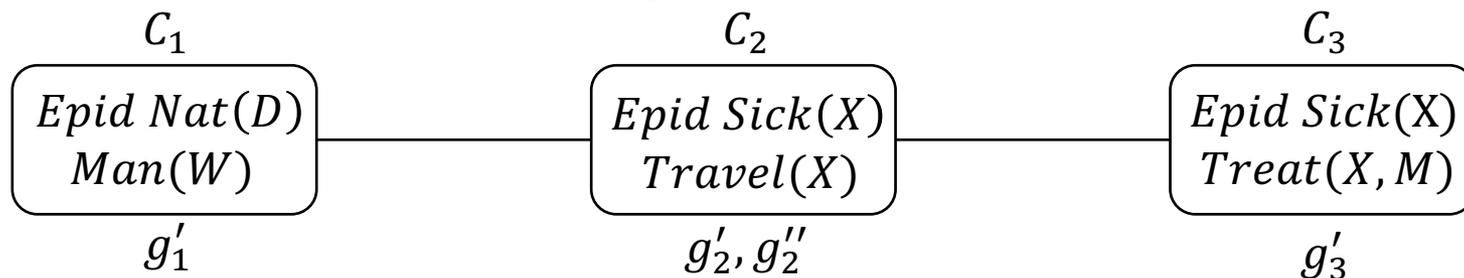
Braun and Möller (2018)

- Input
 - Model G
 - Evidence $E = \{Epid = true\} \cup \{Travel(eve) = true\}$
 - Queries Q

- Algorithm

1. Build FO jtree J for G

2. Enter evidence E into J **adaptively**



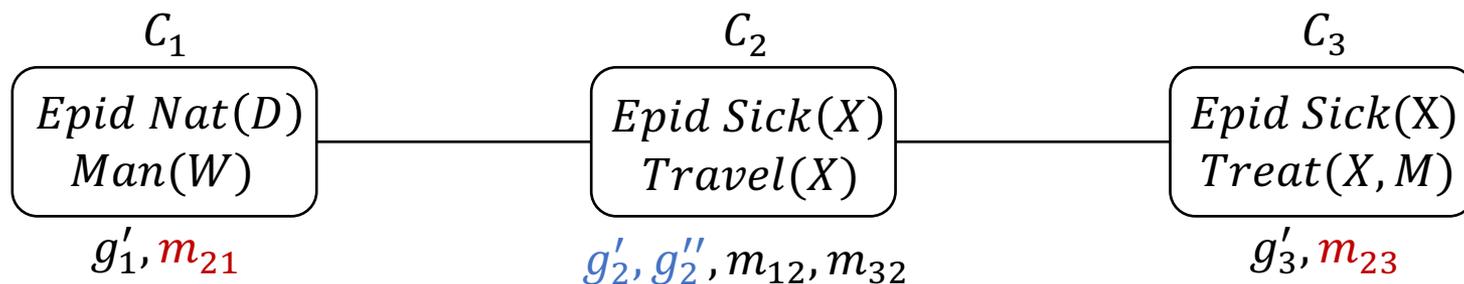
3. Pass messages **adaptively**

Adaptive Messages

Braun and Möller (2018)

- Calculate new message only if
 - Local model changed
 - Incoming message changed
 - Existing messages **invalid**
- Else C_3 calculates new messages m_{21}, m_{23}
 - Send an empty message
 - Existing messages still valid

C_1, C_2 send empty messages



Changes: Adaptive Inference

Braun and Möller (2018)

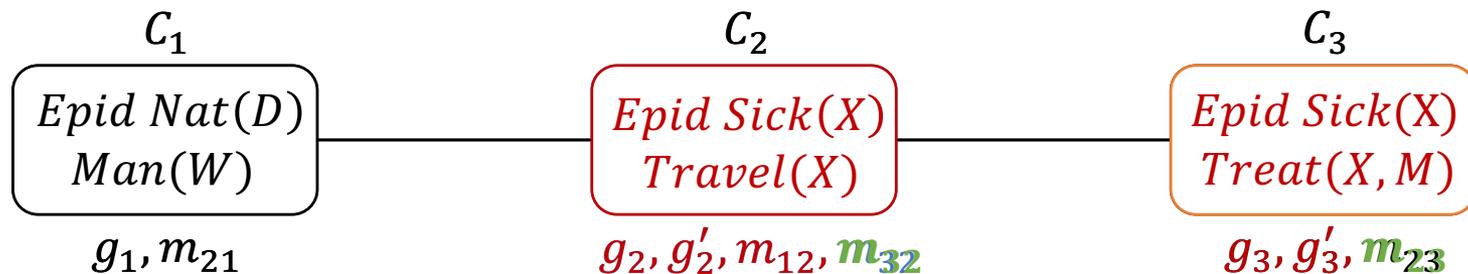
- Changes
 - Domains
 - Parfactors
 - Changing the structure: new/removed argument
 - Without changing the model structure: new range
 - Evidence (additional, retracted, new)
- Adaptive LJT
 - Adapt FO jtree J to changes in G
 - Adaptively enter evidence
 - Changes in evidence E
 - Changes in J
 - Adaptively pass messages
 - Answer queries

J may require
reconstruction
after a while

LJT: Conjunctive queries?

Koller and Friedman (2009), Braun and Möller (2017a)

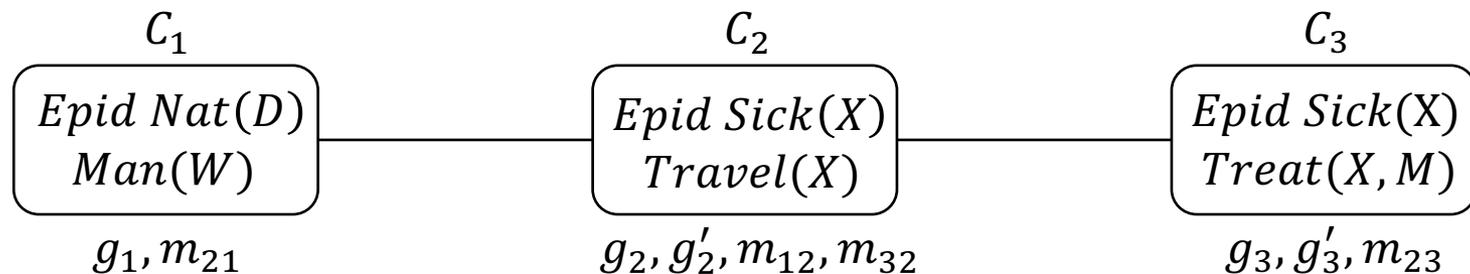
- **Conjunctive** query: $Epid \wedge Travel(eve)$
 - QA as before: Eliminate all non-query variables
- **Conjunctive** query: $Travel(eve) \wedge Treat(eve, m_1)$
 - **Query variables not in one parcluster!**
 - **Duplicate information in messages!**



LJT: Answer Conjunctive Queries

Koller and Friedman (2009), Braun and Möller (2017a)

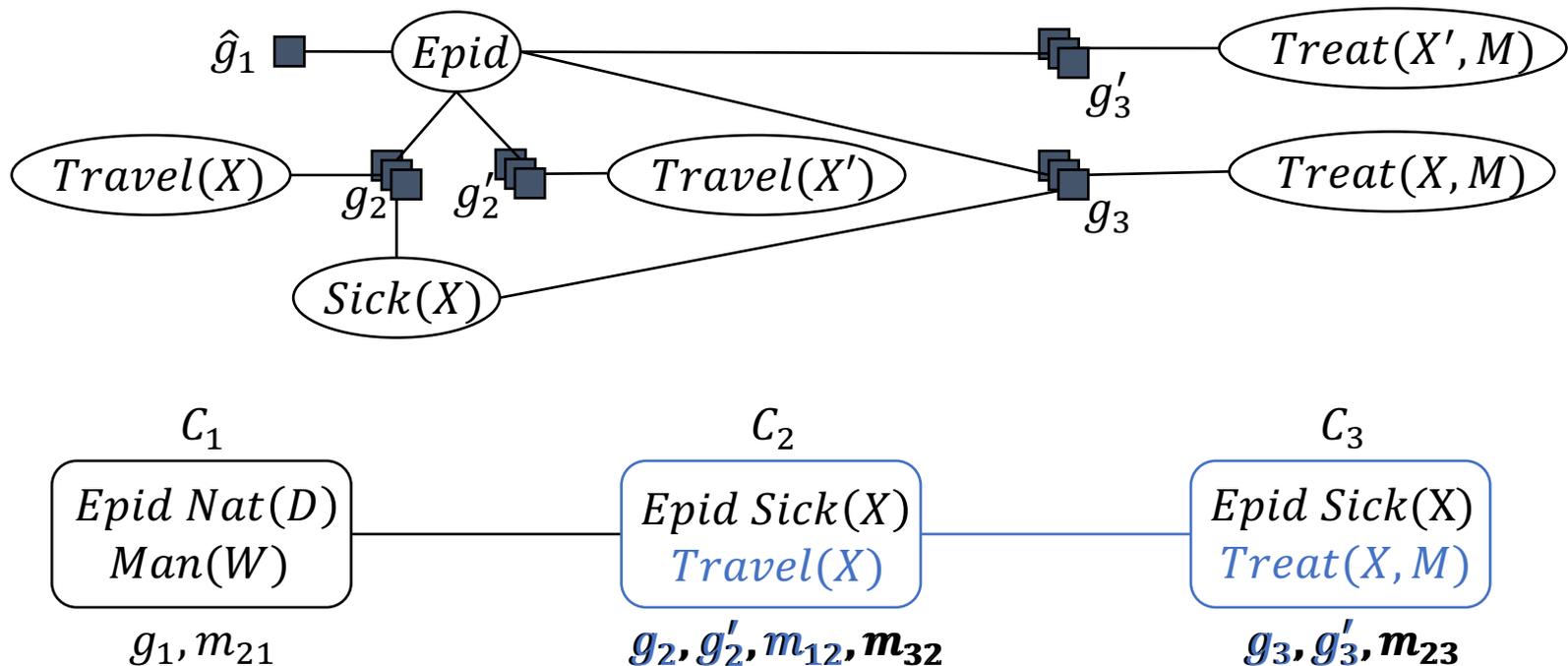
- Queries $Q = \{Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4\}$
 - $Q_1 = Travel(eve) \wedge Treat(eve, m_1)$
 - $Q_2 = Epid \wedge Travel(eve)$
 - $Q_3 = Travel(eve)$
 - $Q_4 = Epid$
- For each query Q
 - Find **subtree** that covers the query variables
 - Extract **submodel** without duplicate information
 - Use LVE to answer query



LJT: Answer Conjunctive Queries

Braun and Möller (2017a)

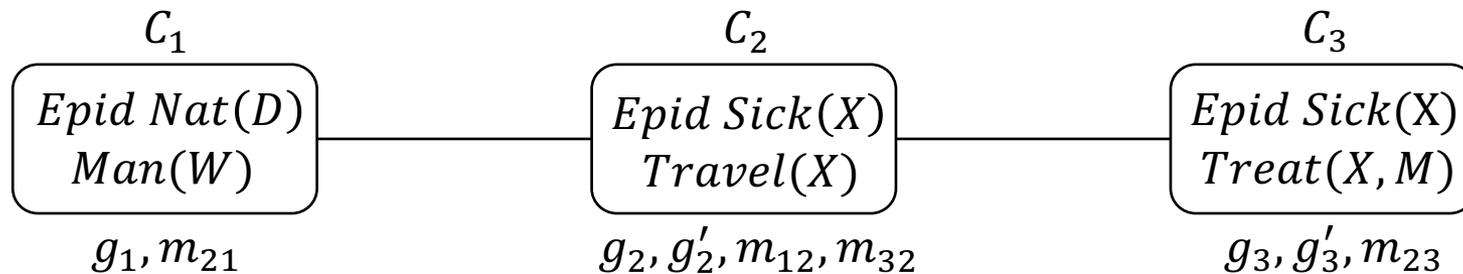
- $Q_1 = \textit{Travel}(\textit{eve}) \wedge \textit{Treat}(\textit{eve}, m_1)$
 - Find **subtree** that covers the query variables
 - Extract **submodel** without duplicate information
 - Use LVE to answer query



LJT: Answer Conjunctive Queries

Braun and Möller (2017a)

- Queries $Q = \{Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4\}$
 - $Q_1 = Travel(eve) \wedge Treat(eve, m_1)$
 - $Q_2 = Epid \wedge Travel(eve)$
 - $Q_3 = Travel(eve)$
 - $Q_4 = Epid$
- } Subtree = Single parcluster
- For each query Q
 - Find **subtree** that covers the query variables
 - Extract **submodel** without duplicate information
 - Use LVE to answer query



QA: Most probable assignment

Dawid (1992), Dechter (1999), de Salvo Braz et al. (2006),
Apsel and Brafman (2012), Braun and Möller (2018b)

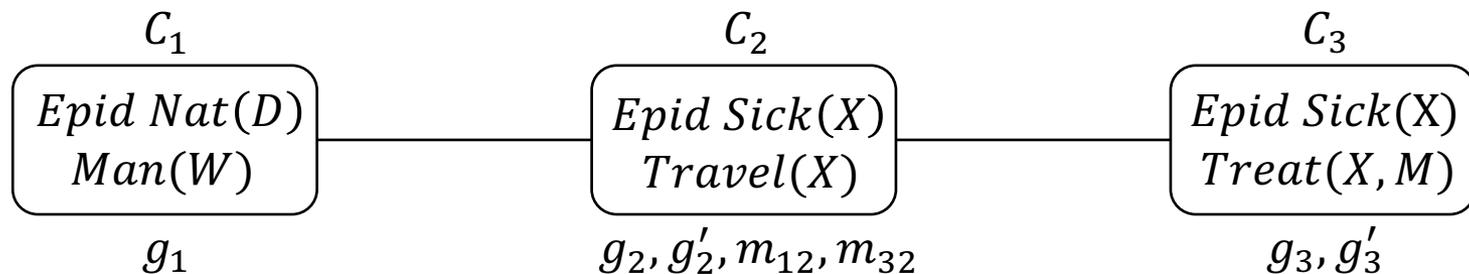
- To all variables: most probable explanation (MPE)

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{rv(G)} P_G$$

- (L)VE: maxing out (instead of summing out)
- (L)JT: message calculation by maxing out
- Isomorphic instances: identical most probable assignment
- As before: construction, evidence entering
- Message passing
 - Only one message pass (from periphery to centre)
 - Max out remaining variables at centre

LJT: MPE

- $Epid = false$
- $\forall D, W : Nat(D) = false, Man(W) = false$
- $\forall X' \in \{alice, eve\}, P : Travel(X') = true, Treat(X', P) = true$
- $\forall X, M : Travel(X) = true, Sick(X) = true, Treat(X, M) = true$



QA: Most probable assignment

Dechter (1999), Sharma et al. (2018)
Braun and Möller (2018b)

- To subset of variables: maximum a posteriori (**MAP**)

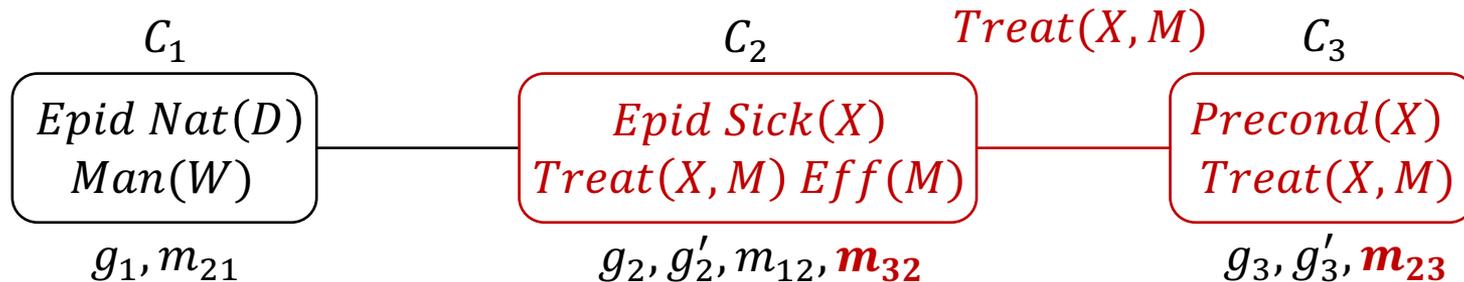
$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\text{Travel.eve,Epid}} \sum_{r(\text{Nat}(D),\text{Man}(W),\text{Sick}(X),\text{Treat}(X,P)), r(\text{Travel}(X)), X \neq \text{eve}} P_G$$

- *MAP a more general case of MPE*
- **\sum and max not commutative!**
- As before: construction, evidence entering, message passing (with summing out)
- Answer MAP query: get submodel (as before)
 - Sum out non-query variables, max out query variables
- Assignment to **complete parclusters** safe

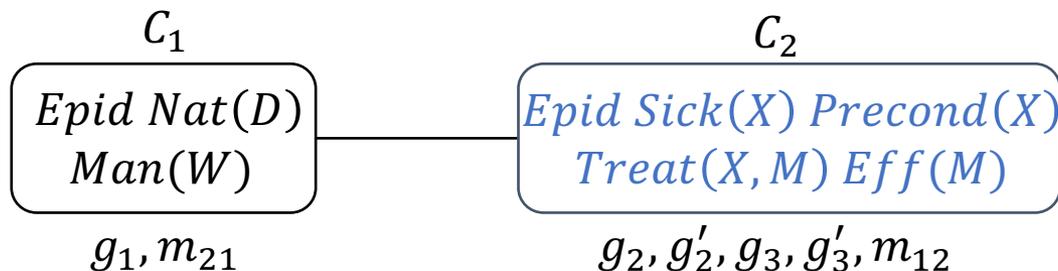
Does LJT lift what is liftable?

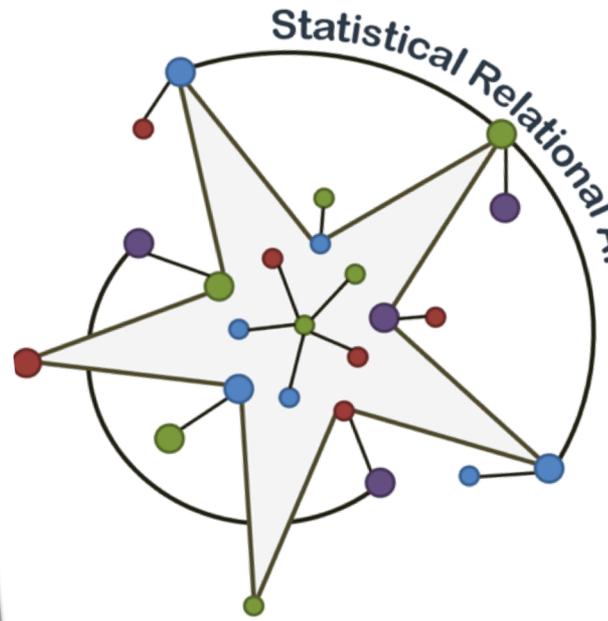
Braun and Möller (2017)

- Original LJT had avoidable groundings



- After fusion, answer is YES!





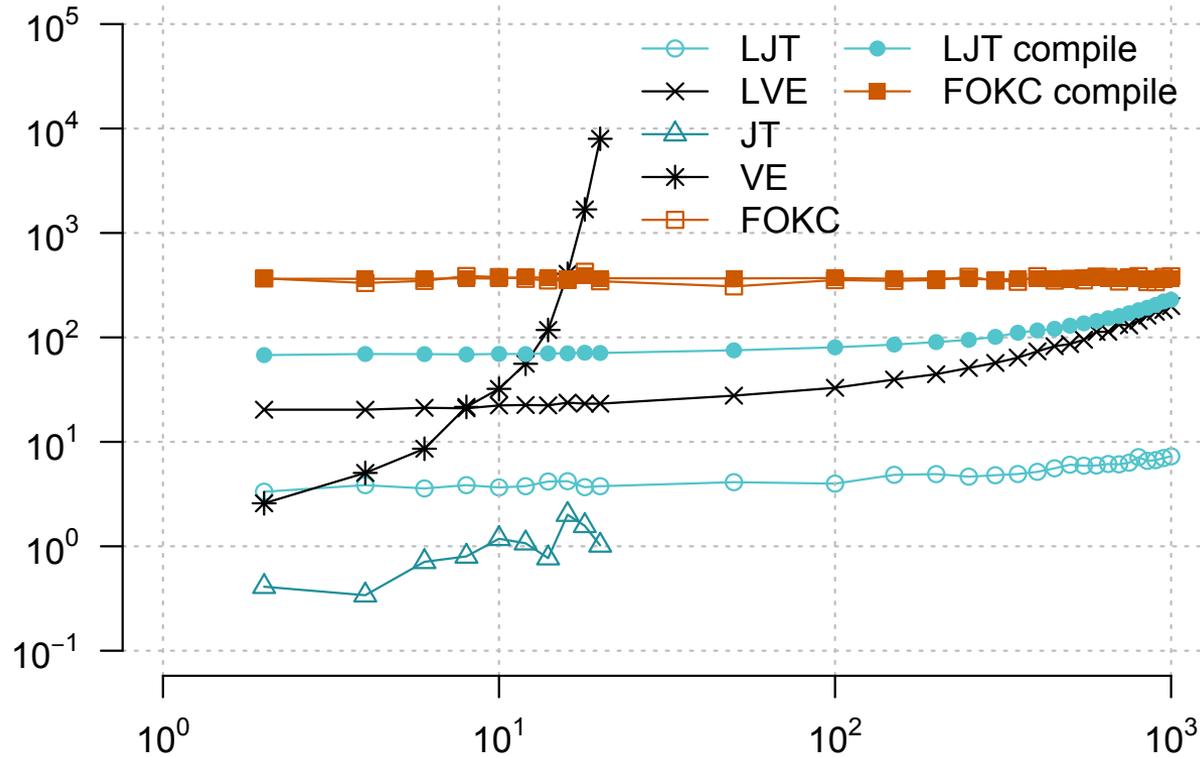
Does it work in practice?

Prototype implementation

LVE by Taghipour <https://dtai.cs.kuleuven.be/software/gcfove>

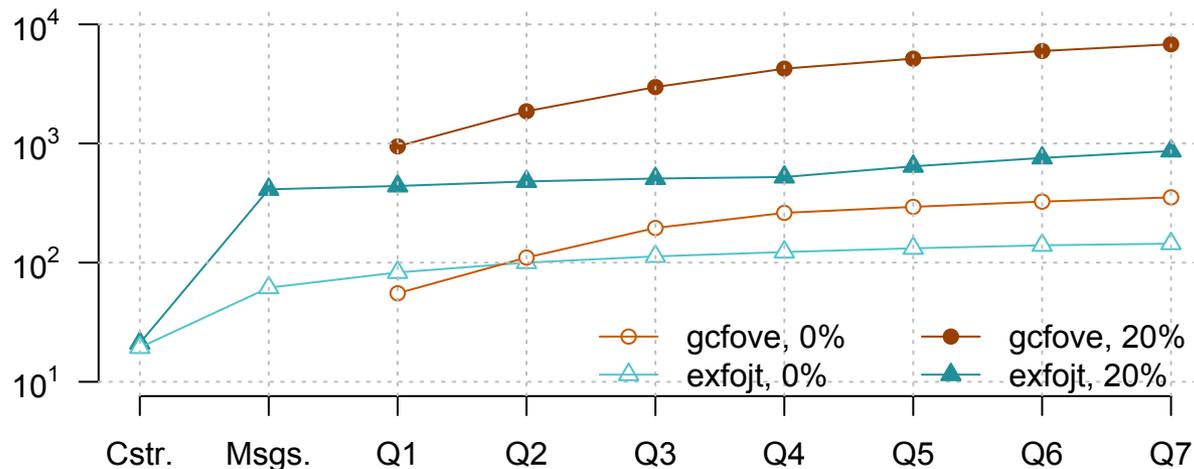
LJT <https://www.ifis.uni-luebeck.de/index.php?id=518>

Grounded vs. Lifted Inference



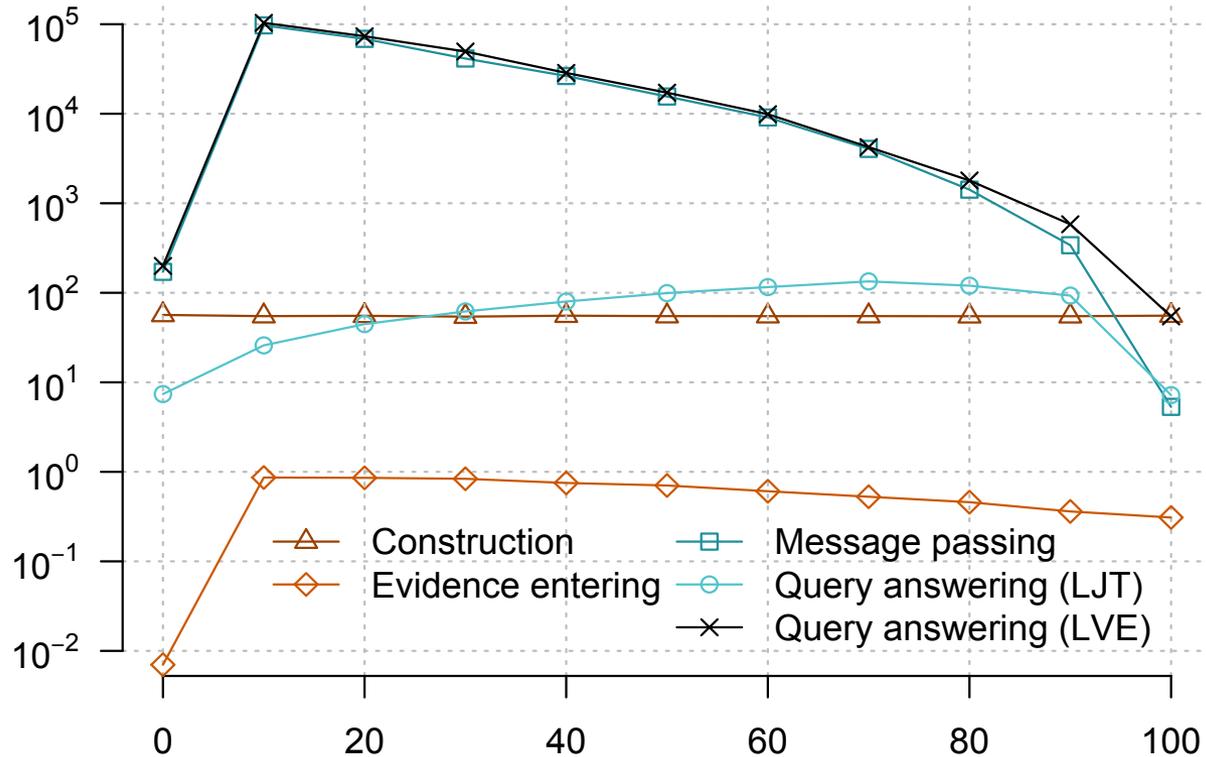
Runtimes in milliseconds, one query,
domain sizes between 2 and 1000,
evidence at 0%

LJT: Payoff versus LVE



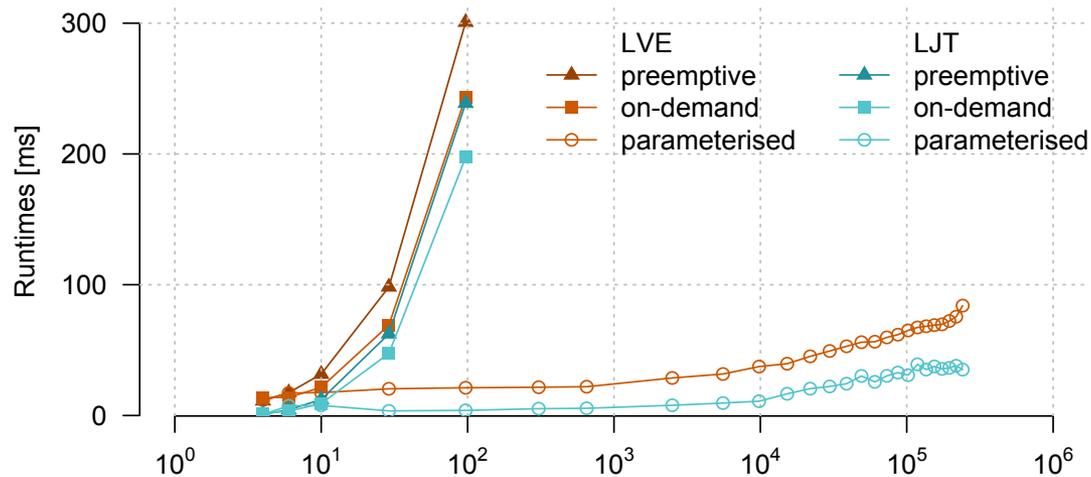
Accumulated runtimes in milliseconds , seven queries, grounded model size: 100,000
Evidence at 0% and 20% on PRVs with one parameter

LJT: Evidence

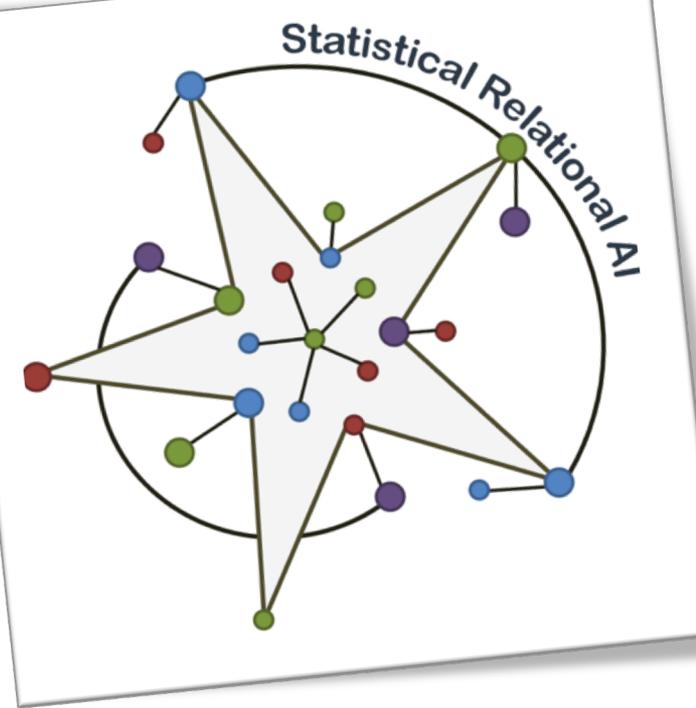


Runtimes in milliseconds for each LJT step
Evidence from 0% to 100% in 10% steps on PRVs with one parameter

LJT: Parameterised Queries



Runtimes in milliseconds, one query, grounded model size between 10 and 100,000



Appendix

FO jtree construction

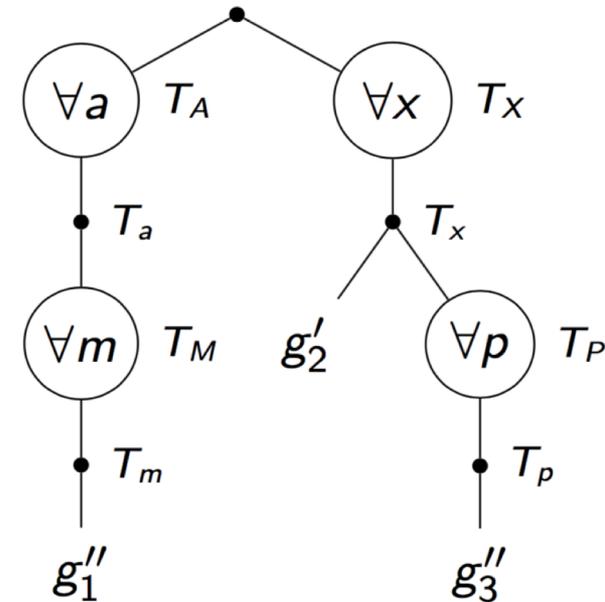
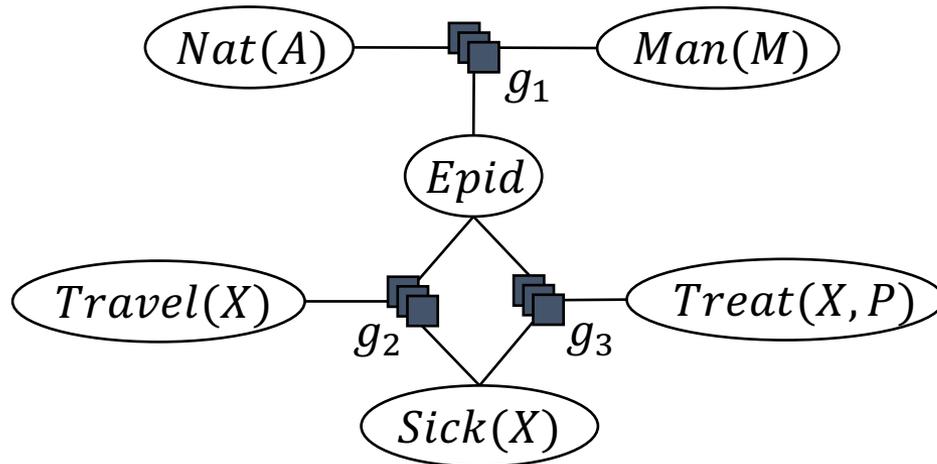
FO Jtree Construction

- Propositional junction tree construction
 - Triangulation, compute maximum spanning tree, ...
 - Hypergraph partitioning
 - Decomposition tree (dtree), clusters, ...
- First-order: logical variables Taghipour et al. (2013b)
 - First-order decomposition trees (**FO dtrees**)
 - FO dtrees have node properties (cutset, context, **cluster**)
 - (FO) dtree + clusters = (FO) jtree
 - Heuristic to build an FO dtree
(logical variables guide the construction)

FO Dtree: Data Structure

Taghipour et al. (2013b)

- (L)VE decomposes model into subproblems
- Represent as tree



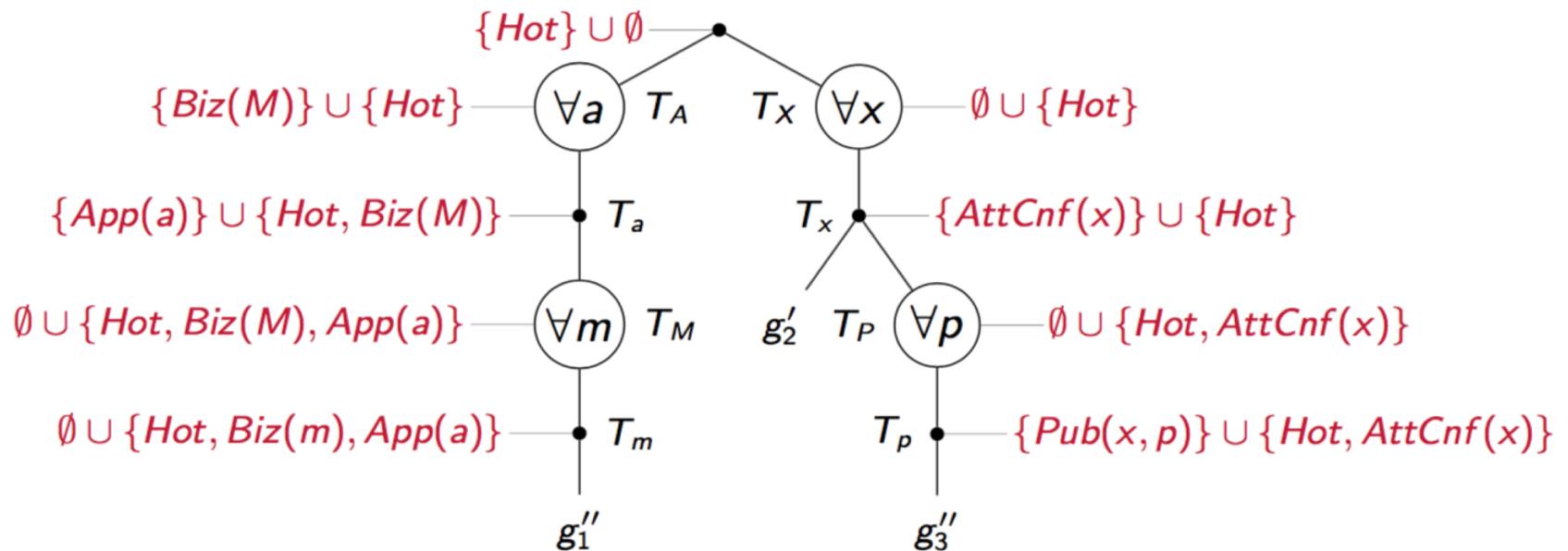
FO Dtree: Cutset, Context, Cluster

Taghipour et al. (2013b)

$$\text{cutset}(T) = \bigcup_{T_i, T_j \in \text{child}(T)} RV(T_i) \cap RV(T_j) \setminus \text{acutset}(T), \text{acutset}(T) = \bigcup_{T' \in \text{ancestor}(T)} \text{cutset}(T')$$

$$\text{context}(T) = RV(T) \cap \text{acutset}(T), RV(T) = \bigcup_{T' \in \text{child}(T)} RV(T'), RV(L) = RV(\phi_L), L \text{ leaf}$$

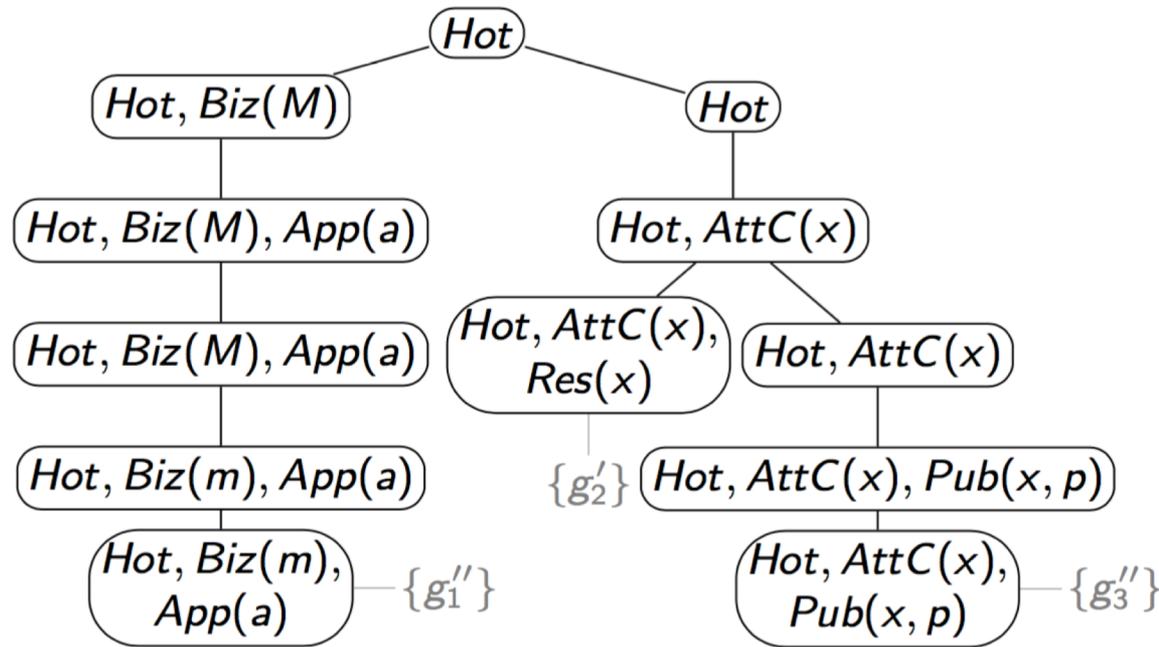
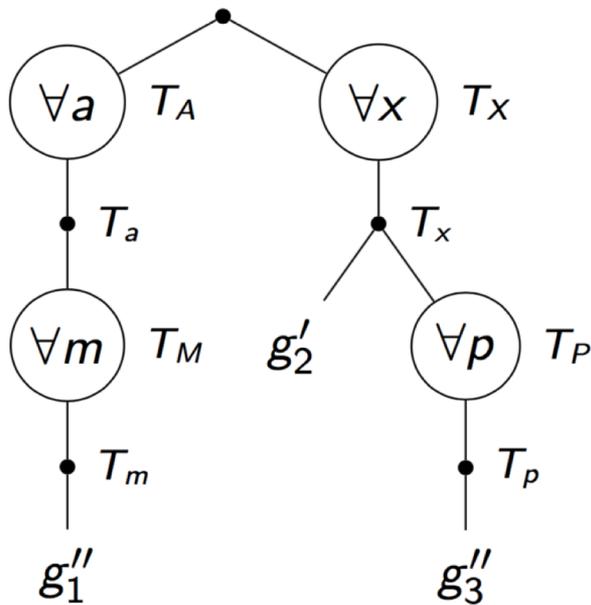
$$\text{cluster}(T) = \text{cutset}(T) \cup \text{context}(T), \text{cluster}(L) = RV(\phi_L), L \text{ leaf}$$



FO Dtree to FO Jtree

Braun and Möller (2016)

- Compute clusters per node and **minimise**



Minimising an FO Jtree

Braun and Möller (2016)

- FO jtree is **minimal**
 - If by removing a variable from any parcluster, the FO jtree stops being an FO jtree
- **Merge** parclusters
 - If neighbouring parclusters are subsets of each other

