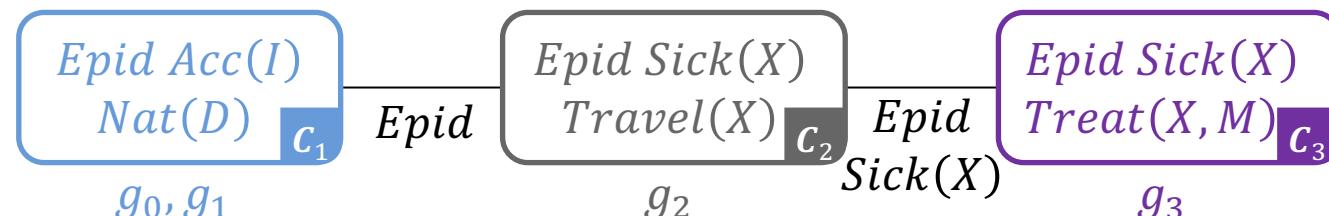




# Dynamic Probabilistic Relational Models

Lifted Exact Inference:  
Lifted Junction Tree Algorithm



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## *Exact Inference*

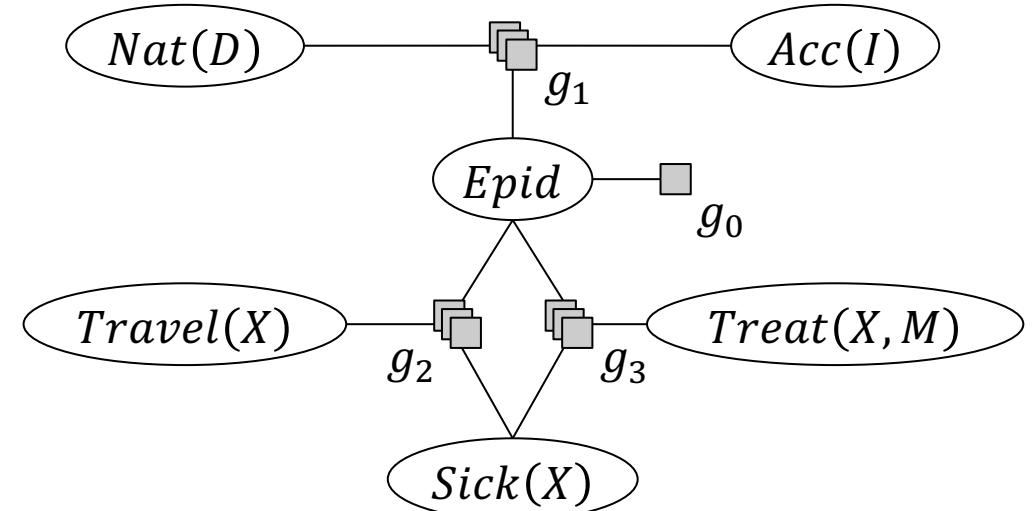
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# Problem: Many Queries

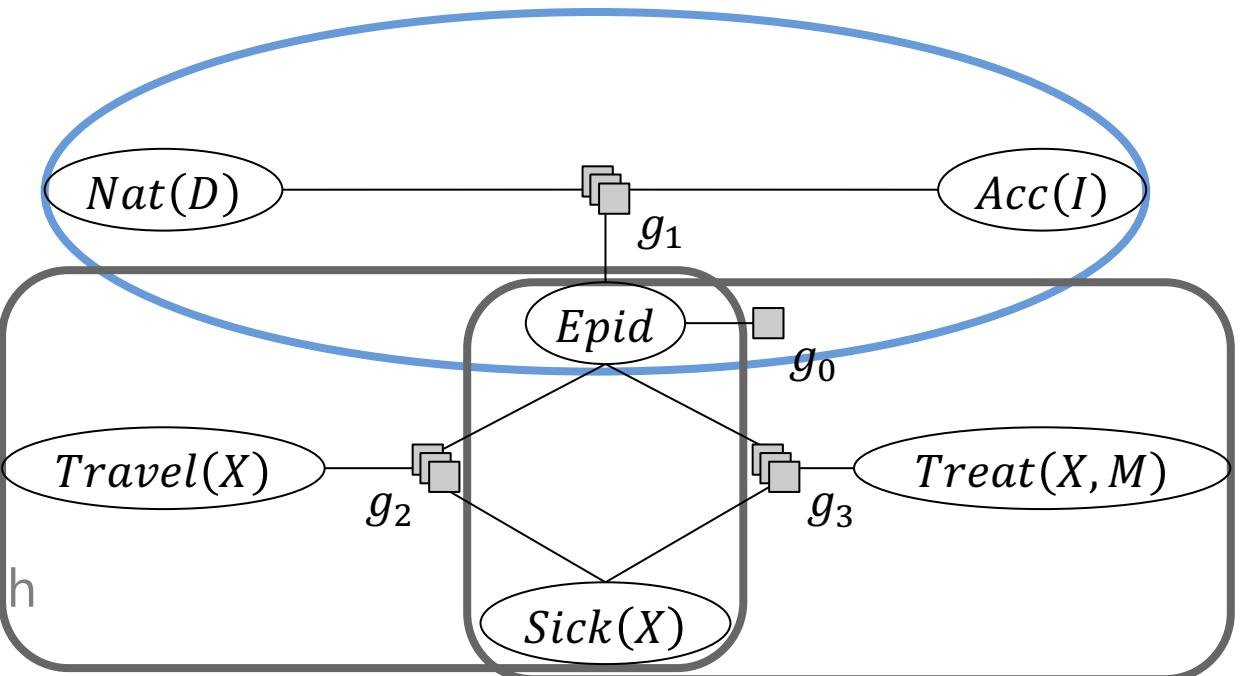
- Set of queries
  - $P(Travel(eve))$
  - $P(Sick(bob))$
  - $P(Treat(eve, m_1))$
  - $P(Epid)$
  - $P(Nat(flood))$
  - $P(Acc(chem))$
  - Combinations of variables
- Under evidence
  - $Sick(X') = \text{true}$
  - $X' \in \{alice, eve\}$
- LVE restarts with initial model for each query

Build a helper structure to precompute parts



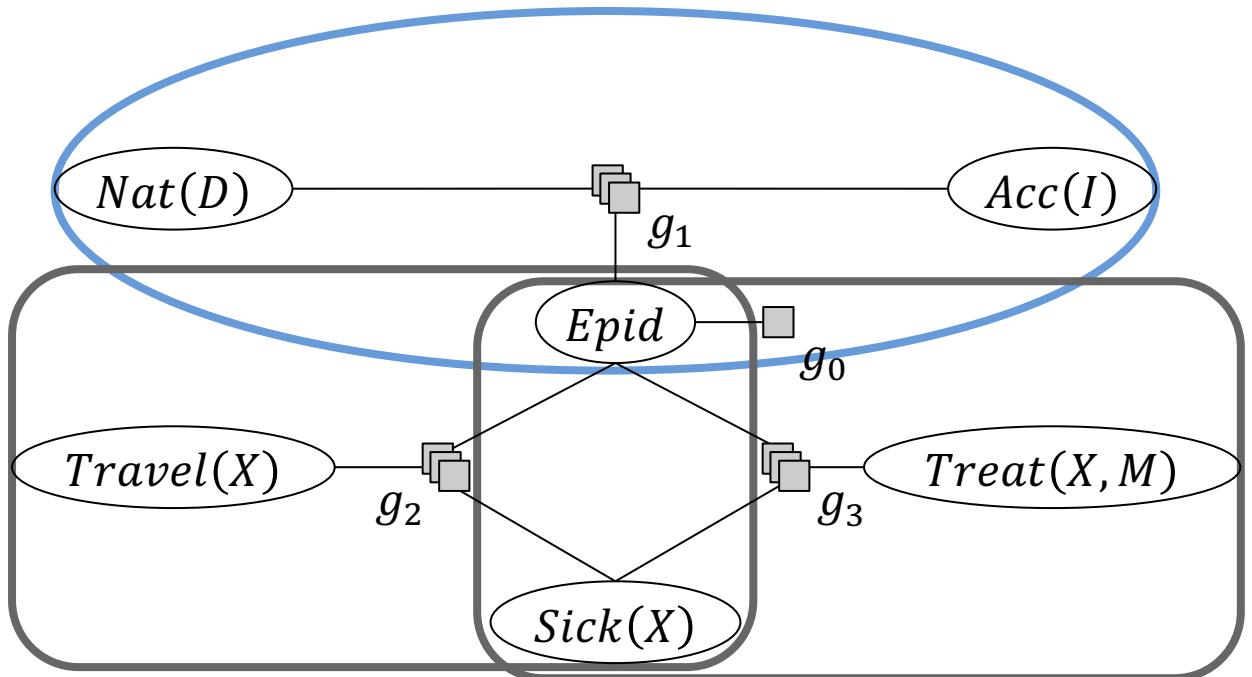
# Clustering of Models

- Idea: Find subsets (clusters) of PRVs that are “enough” for certain queries
  - E.g.,
    - For queries about instances of  $Nat(D)$ ,  $Acc(I)$ ,  $Epid$ 
      - $Nat(D)$ ,  $Acc(I)$ ,  $Epid$  enough
    - For queries about instances of  $Travel(X)$ ,  $Sick(X)$ ,  $Epid$ 
      - $Travel(X)$ ,  $Sick(X)$ ,  $Epid$  enough
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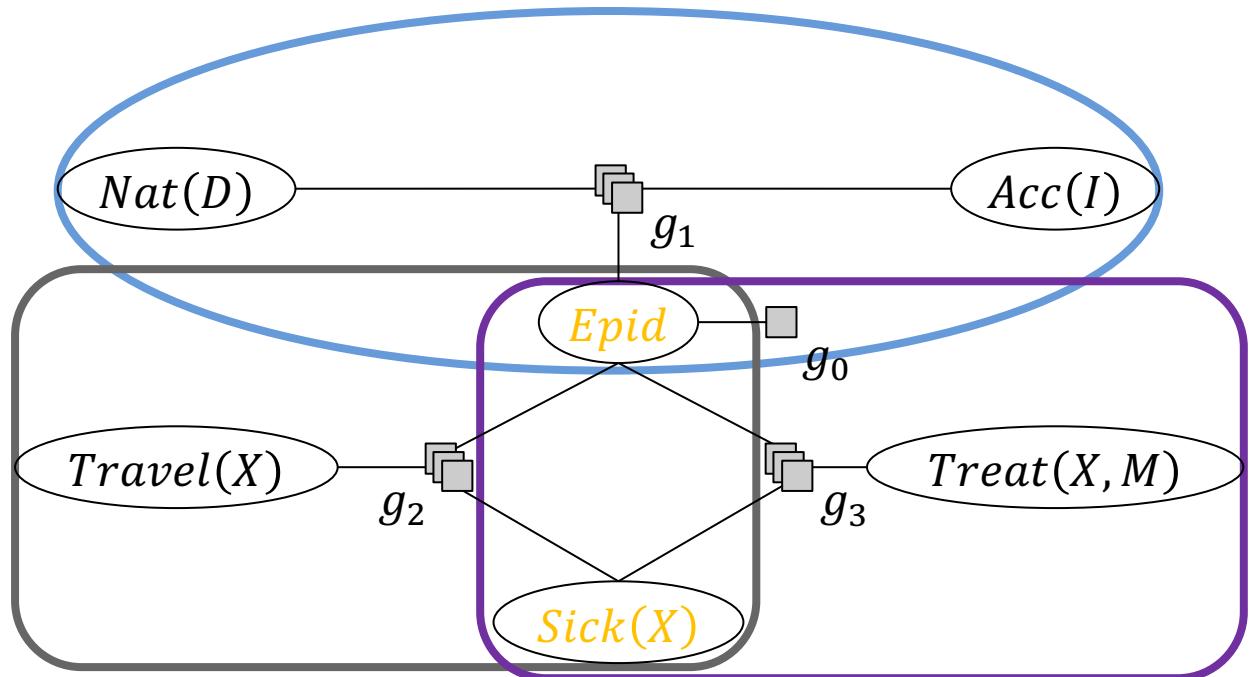
# Clustering of Models

- But: If only parfactors used that contain the PRVs of a cluster, information stored in all other parfactors ignored
  - E.g.,
    - $Nat(D)$ ,  $Acc(I)$ ,  $Epid$ :  $g_1$   
→ misses  $g_2$ ,  $g_3$
    - $Travel(X)$ ,  $Sick(X)$ ,  $Epid$ :  $g_2$   
→ misses  $g_1$ ,  $g_3$
    - $Treat(X, M)$ ,  $Sick(X)$ ,  $Epid$ :  $g_3$   
→ misses  $g_1$ ,  $g_2$
    - Whatever we do with  $g_0$ ...
- Only correct if clusters are *independent* from each other
  - How can we achieve independence?



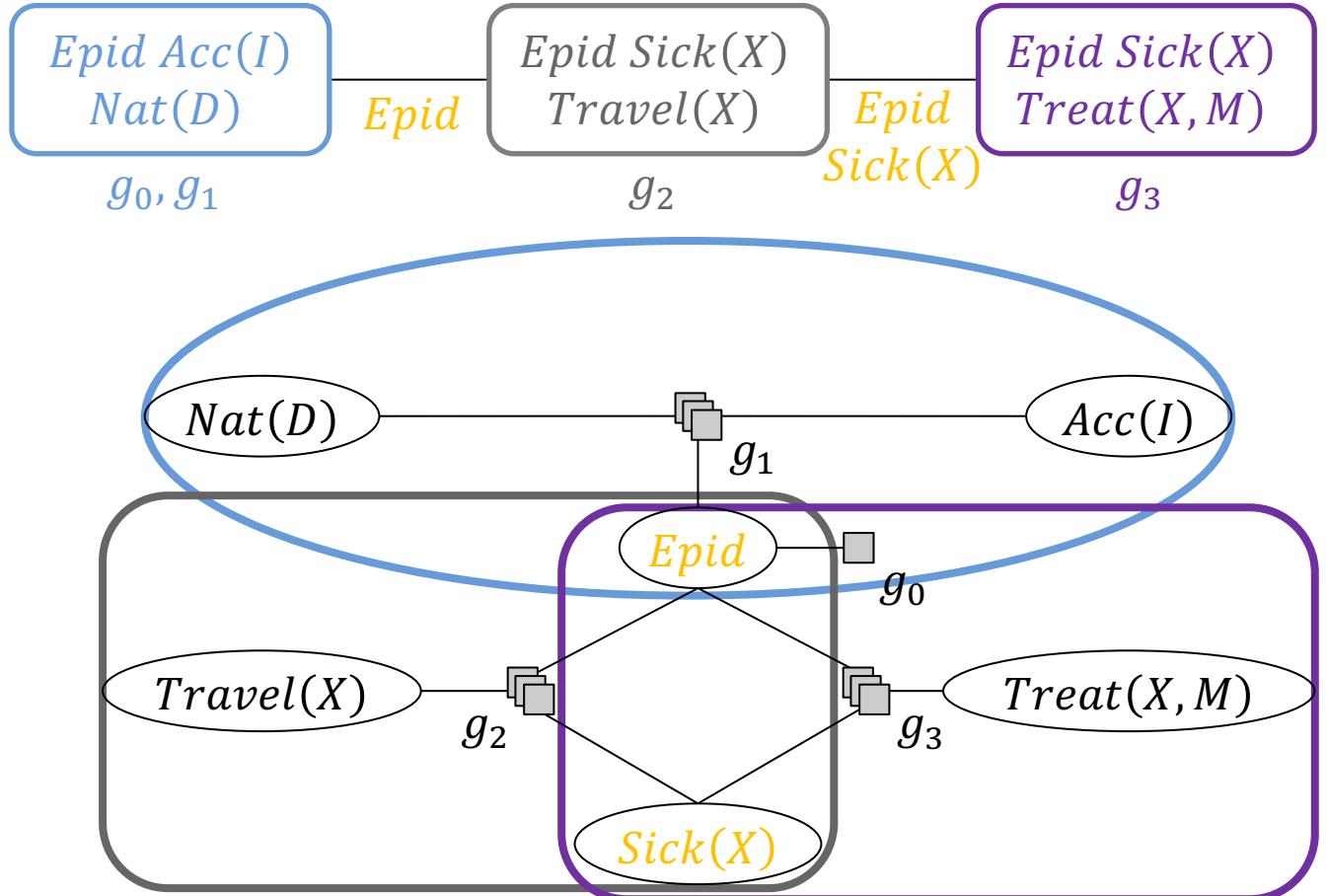
# Clustering of Models

- Factorised models encode independences:
  - Any two subsets of variables are conditionally independent given a *separating* subset  $S$ 
    - *Separating* subset  $S$ : All paths from one subset to the other run through  $S$ 
      - Also known as *global Markov property*
  - E.g.,
    - $Nat(D), Acc(I), Epid$ :  $g_1$   
→ independent of the rest given *Epid*
    - $Travel(X), Sick(X), Epid$ :  $g_2$   
→ independent of the rest given *Epid, Sick(X)*
    - $Treat(X, M), Sick(X), Epid$ :  $g_3$   
→ independent of the rest given *Epid, Sick(X)*



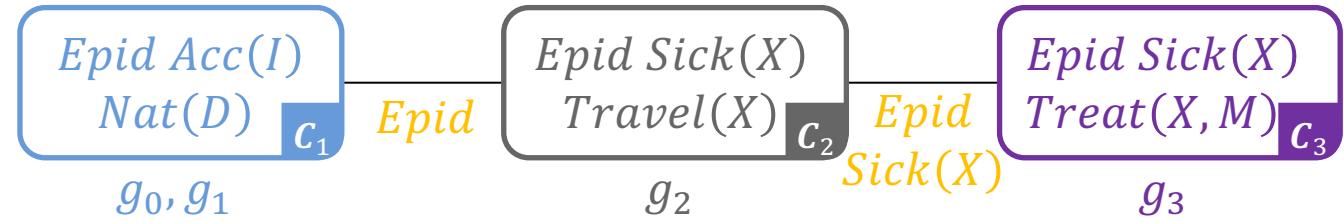
# Clustering of Models

- Put clusters and their separators into a graph structure where
  - Nodes are clusters with parfactors assigned containing the cluster PRVs (*local model*)
  - Edges are labelled with the *separator* (separating subset) between neighbouring nodes
  - If two nodes contain the same PRV, every node on the path between the two nodes contain the PRV (*running intersection property*)



# Clustering of Models

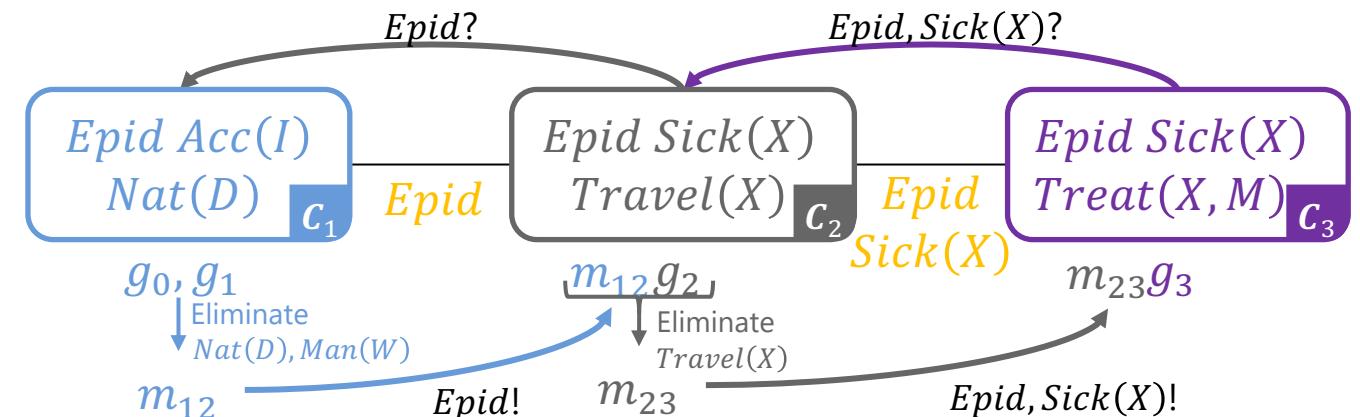
- Next: Make clusters actually independent of each other
  - Each cluster  $i$  asks its neighbours  $j \in nbs(i)$  for information about the separator  $S_{ij}$  between them
    - Other clusters have to collect all the information from the model that lies behind the separator on its part, eliminate the non-separator PRVs from that information using LVE, and send the result in a message  $m_{ji}$ , i.e., a set of parfactors, back
    - Having the information on the separators to all neighbours makes a cluster independent from its neighbours and therefore all other parts of the model
      - Ensures that each cluster of PRVs has all model information needed available for query answering on instances of its cluster PRVs



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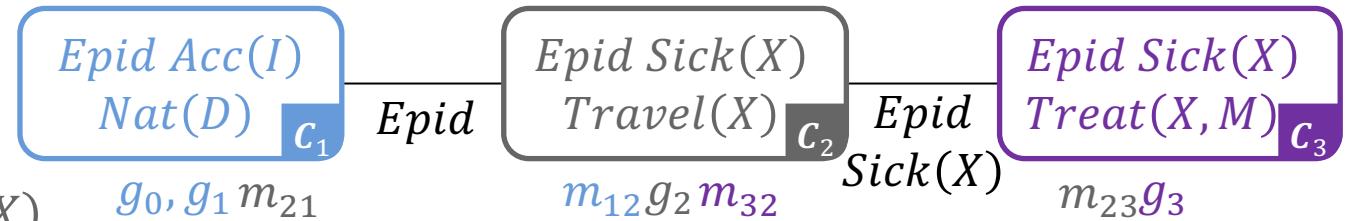
- Next: Make clusters actually independent of each other
  - E.g.,  $C_3$ :  $g_3 \rightarrow$  independent of the rest given  $Epid, Sick(X)$ 
    - Asks neighbour  $C_2$  for information on  $Epid, Sick(X)$ 
      - $C_2$  asks neighbour  $C_1$  for information on  $Epid$ 
        - »  $C_1$  sends information on  $Epid$  in a message  $m_{12}$
        - » Eliminates  $Nat(D), Acc(I)$  from  $g_0, g_1$  for  $m_{12}$
      - $C_2$  sends information on  $Epid, Sick(X)$  to  $C_3$  in a message  $m_{23}$ 
        - » Eliminates  $Travel(X)$  from  $g_2$  and  $m_{12}$  for  $m_{23}$
    - With  $m_{23}$ ,  $C_3$  is independent from its neighbour  $C_2$  and therefore also from  $C_1$ 
      - As  $C_2$  is independent given  $m_{12}$  from  $C_1$

The same has to be done for  $C_2$  and  $C_1$



# Clustering of Models

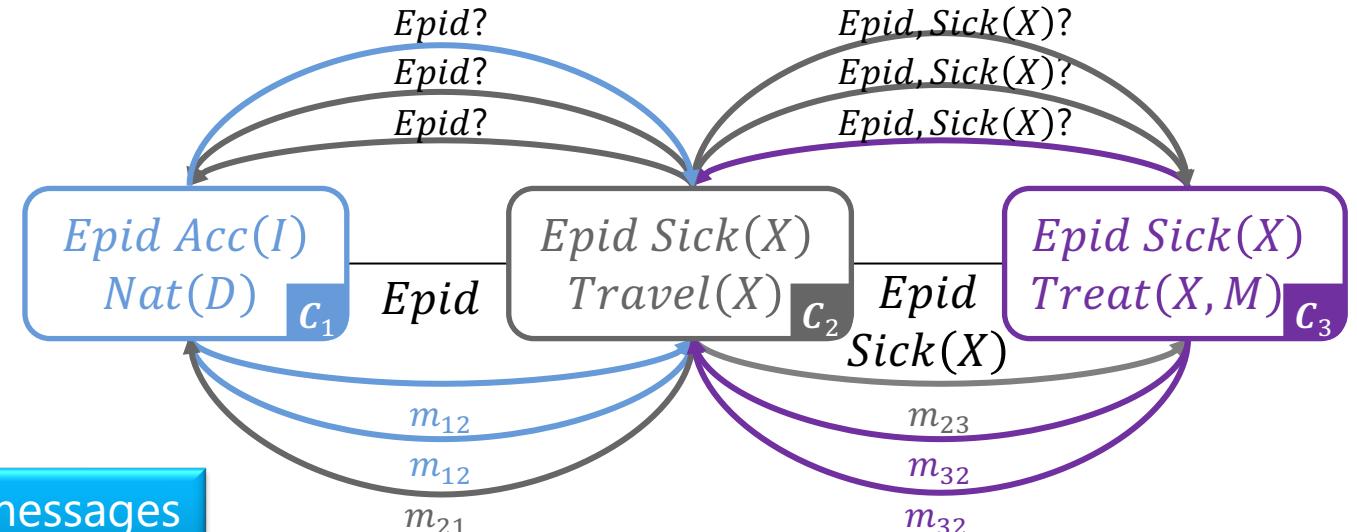
- With each cluster  $i$  independent of the rest, each  $i$  can answer queries about instances of its PRVs based on its local model and the messages received
  - Query terms: grounded instances or parameterised versions of its PRVs
    - Conjunctive queries if terms only concern the cluster PRVs
  - E.g.,  $\mathcal{C}_3$ :  $g_3 \rightarrow$  independent of the rest given  $Epid, Sick(X)$ 
    - Based on  $g_3$  and  $m_{23}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_3$  can answer queries about  $Epid, Sick(X), Treat(X, M)$  such as
$$P(Sick(X)),$$
$$P(Treat(eve, m_2)),$$
$$P(Epid, Sick(alice))$$
    - Cannot answer any queries about  $Nat(D), Acc(I), Travel(X)$  but  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$ , respectively, can



# Clustering of Models

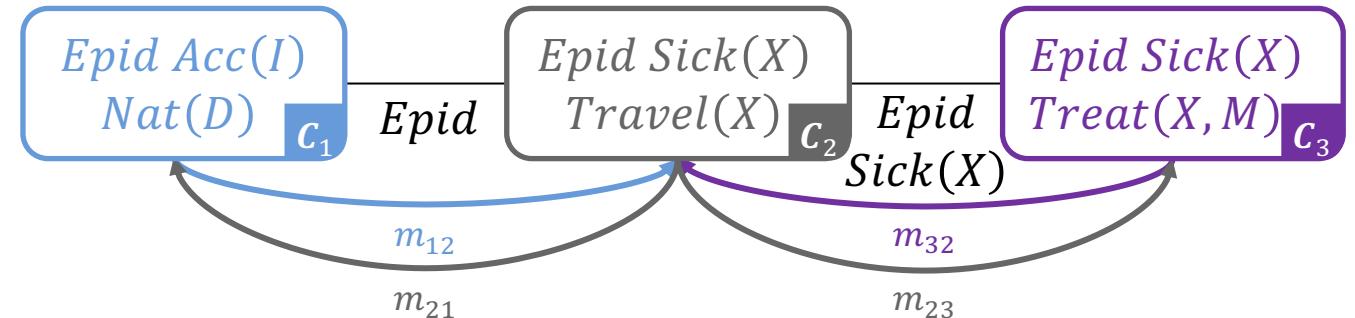
- Problem left: If each cluster asks for information on separators, some messages are sent multiple times
  - E.g.,
    - $C_3$  asks  $C_2$ , which asks  $C_1$ 
      - Messages calculated and sent:  $m_{12}, m_{23}$
    - $C_2$  asks  $C_1$  and  $C_3$ 
      - Messages calculated and sent:  $m_{12}, m_{32}$
    - $C_1$  asks  $C_2$ , which asks  $C_3$ 
      - Messages calculated and sent:  $m_{32}, m_{21}$

Organise in way that messages  
are calculated only once



# Clustering of Models

- Use dynamic programming to organise the order of asking or rather sending information in messages:
  - If a node  $i$  has received all information from neighbours but one,  $j$ , node  $i$  sends a message with its information on the separator  $S_{ij}$  to  $j$
  - If a node  $i$  has received all messages, then it sends messages to all neighbours  $j$  that have not received a message yet
- When computing the message,  
 $i$  takes into consideration
  - its local model  $G_i$  as well as
  - the messages  $m_{ki}$  received from all other neighbours  $k$  but the receiving neighbour  $j$



# Clustering of Models

- Observations:

→ If a node  $i$  has received all information from neighbours but one,  $j$ , node  $i$  sends a message with its information on the separator  $S_{ij}$  to  $j$

- Trivially true at leaf nodes (*periphery*), can start sending immediately to its only neighbour (in parallel!)
  - From periphery inbound, new nodes trigger this first condition

→ If a node  $i$  has received all messages, then it sends messages to all neighbours  $j$  that have not yet received a message

- As messages are sent further inwards, a first node at the centre will have received all messages and will start sending messages outbound, leading to new nodes triggering this second condition

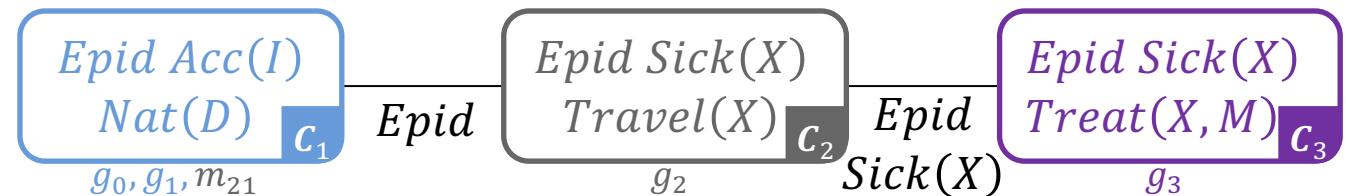
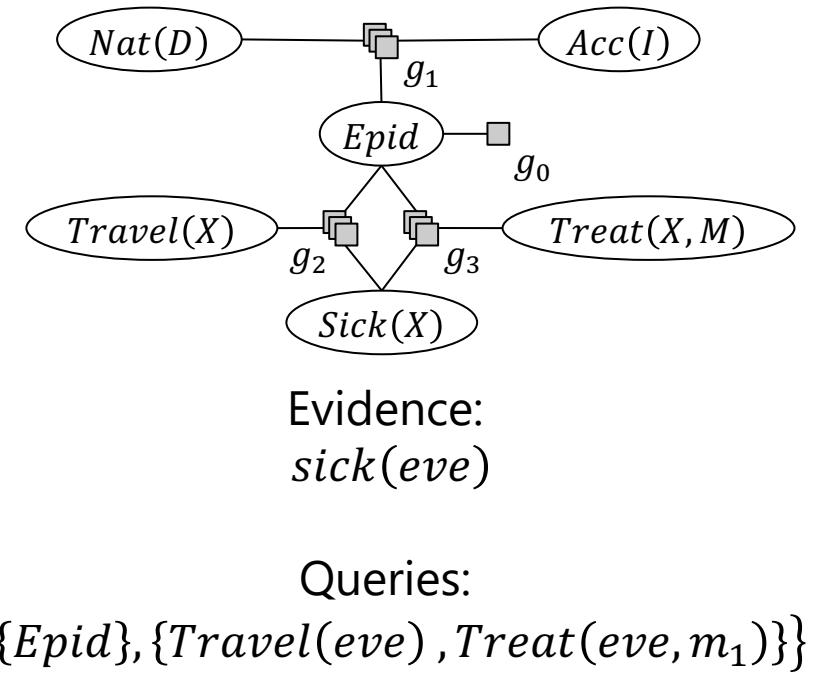
Graph structured called (first-order) junction tree and algorithm called (lifted) junction tree algorithm



Two passes from periphery to centre and back suffice to distribute all information and make the clusters independent from each other\*

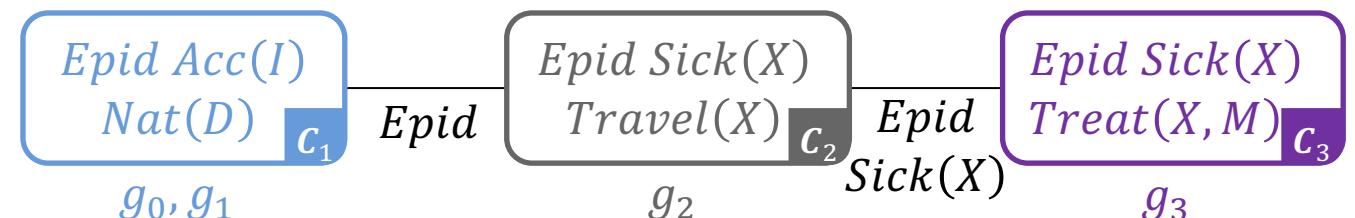
# Lifted Junction Tree Algorithm (LJT)

- Inputs
  - Model  $G$
  - Evidence  $e$  as evidence parfactors
  - Set of query terms  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^m$ 
    - Queries on  $G$ :  $P(Q_i | e), i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$
- LJT consists of four steps
  1. Build FO jtree  $J$  for model  $G$
  2. Enter evidence  $e$  in  $J$
  3. Pass messages in  $J$
  4. Answer queries  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^m$



# First-order Jtree (FO Jtree)

- As seen on the earlier slides
  - Acyclic graph
  - Nodes contain PRVs, which form clusters
  - Edges are based on the separators between the clusters
  - Nodes have parfactors assigned
- Next slides:
  - Formal definition
  - Construction
    - Get an *acyclic* structure with valid *separators* and each parfactor of a model assigned to a *local model*



# Parameterised Clusters

- Node of an FO jtree: Set of PRVs called parameterised cluster (**parcluster**)
- Let  $X$  be a set of logical variables,  $A$  a set of PRVs with  $lv(A) \subseteq X$ , and  $(X, C_X)$  a constraint on  $X$
- Then, a parcluster  $C$  is given by

$$\forall x \in C_X : A|_{(X, C_X)}$$

- $A|_{(X, C_X)}$  for short
  - Again,  $(X, C_X)$  can be omitted if T constraint encoded
- Depicted as a round shape containing  $A$  or just  $A$ 
  - Again, constraint usually not depicted
- E.g., parcluster  $C_2$

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall x \in \text{dom}(X) : \{\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(x), \text{Travel}(x)\}|_{(X, \text{dom}(X))} \\ &= \{\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(X), \text{Travel}(X)\}|_{(X, \mathcal{D}(X))} \\ &= \{\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(X), \text{Travel}(X)\} \end{aligned}$$

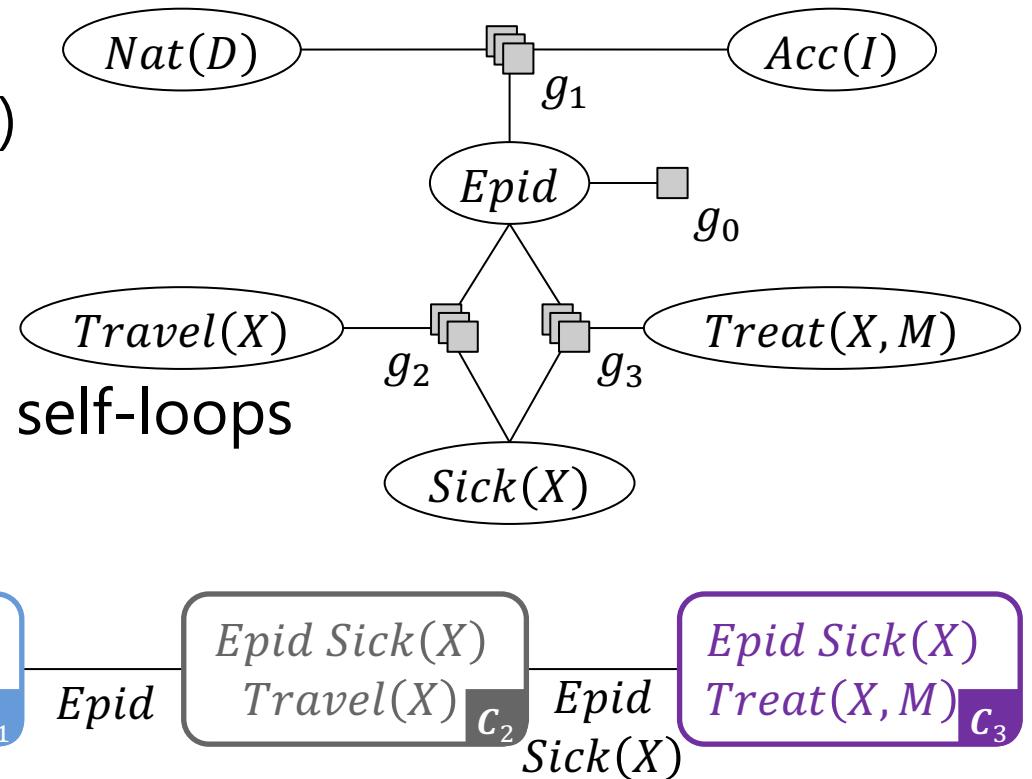
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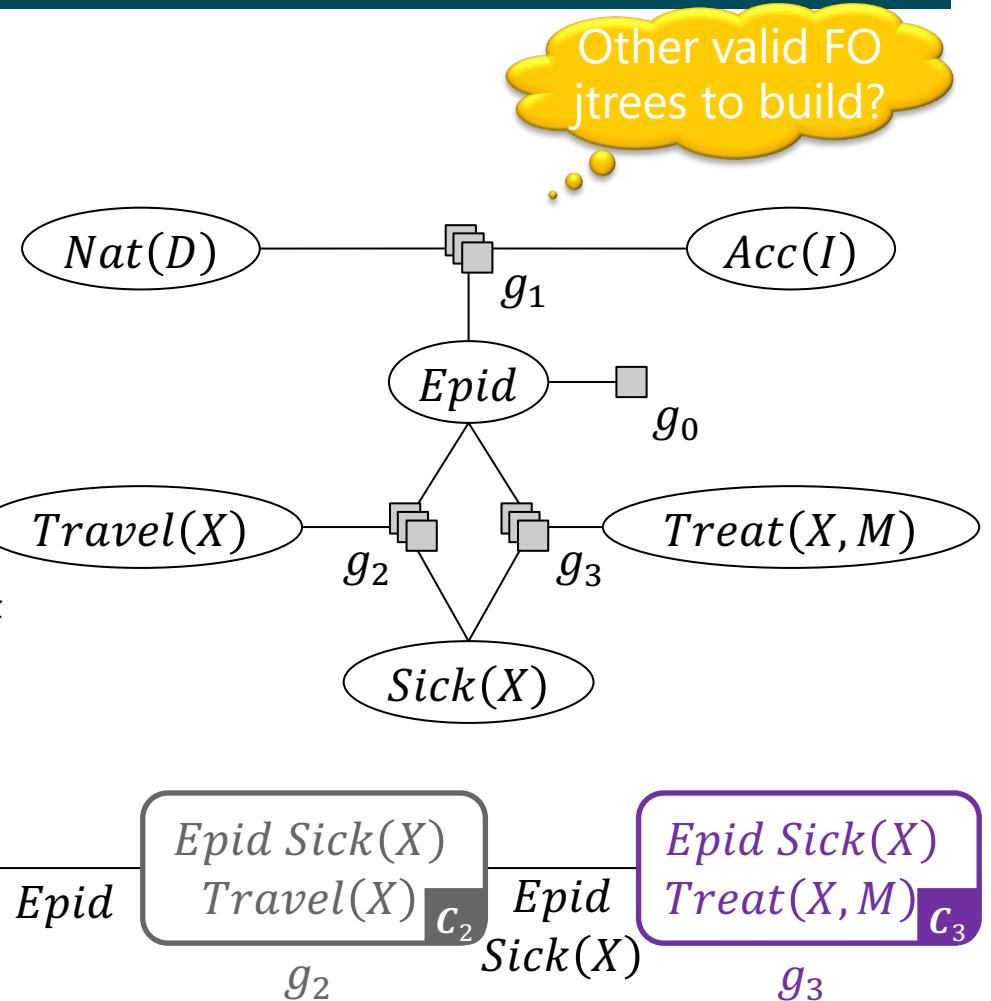
# FO Jtree

- An FO jtree  $J$  for a model  $G$  is a cycle-free graph  $(V, E)$ 
  - Set of nodes  $V \subseteq 2^{rv(G)}$ 
    - I.e., nodes are sets of PRVs (parclusters)
    - $2^{rv(G)}$  denotes the power set of  $rv(G)$
  - Set of edges  $E \subseteq \{\{i, j\} \mid i, j \in V, i \neq j\}$ ,
    - Has to be cycle free, which includes no self-loops
  - E.g., as depicted on the left
    - But at this point in the definition, could be any subsets of PRVs



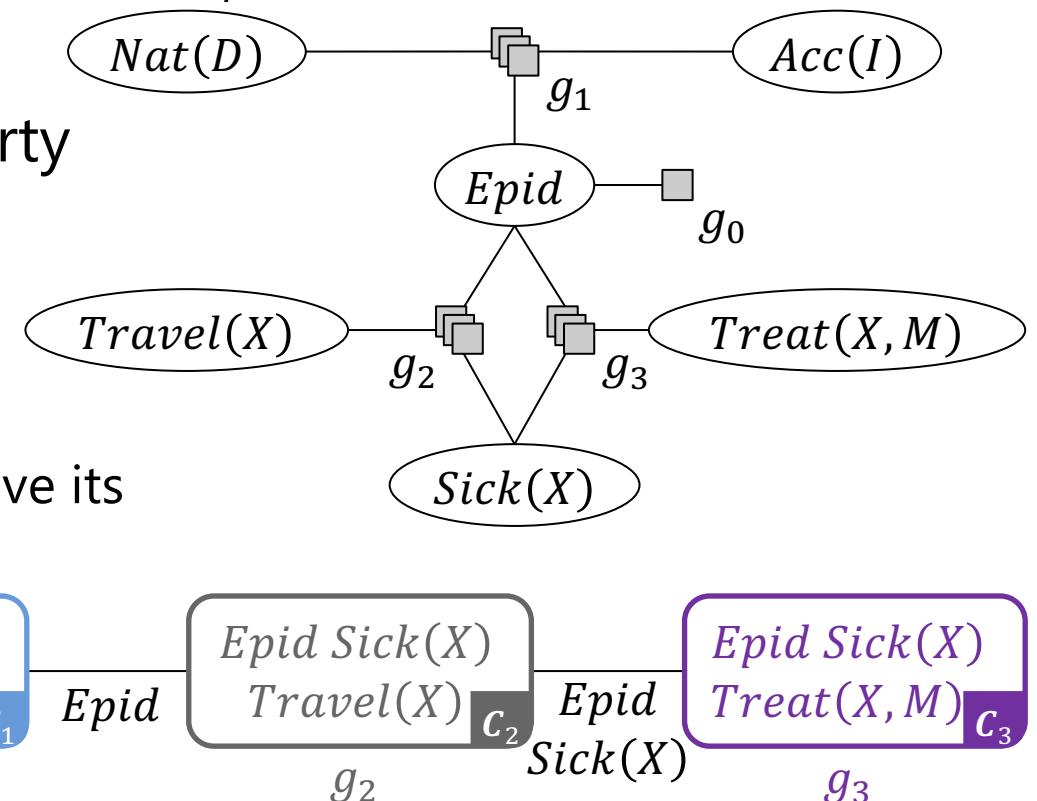
# FO Jtree

- An FO jtree  $J$  for a model  $G$  is a cycle-free graph  $(V, E)$ 
  - Has to satisfy three properties:
    1.  $\forall \mathcal{C} \in V : \mathcal{C} \subseteq rv(G)$ 
      - Every parcluster consists of PRVs from  $G$
    2.  $\forall g \in G : \exists \mathcal{C} \in V : rv(g) \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ 
      - Arguments of every parfactor in  $G$  occur in a parcluster
    3. If  $\exists A \in rv(G) : A \in \mathcal{C}_i \wedge A \in \mathcal{C}_j$  with  $\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}_j \in V$ , then  $\forall \mathcal{C}_k \in V$  on the path between  $\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}_j : A \in \mathcal{C}_k$  (running intersection property)
      - If a PRV occurs in two parclusters, it also occurs in every parcluster on the path between them
      - E.g., as depicted on the left



# FO Jtree

- An FO jtree  $J$  for a model  $G$  is a cycle-free graph  $(V, E)$ 
  - Is **minimal** if by removing a PRV from a parcluster,  
the FO jtree ceases to be an FO jtree
    - I.e., no longer fulfils at least one property
  - E.g., depicted on the left
    - Cannot remove any PRV from any  
parcluster
      - Otherwise, a parfactor would no longer have its  
arguments in one parcluster



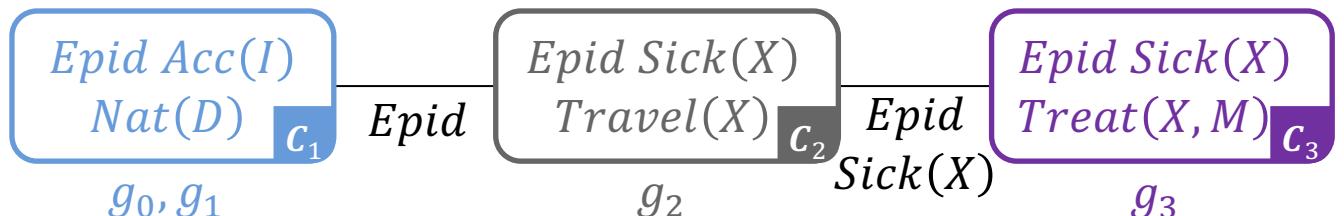
# FO Jtree

- An FO jtree  $J$  for a model  $G$  is a cycle-free graph  $(V, E)$ 
  - Set  $S_{ij}$  called **separator** of edge  $\{i, j\} \in E$ , defined by

$$S_{ij} = C_i \cap C_j$$

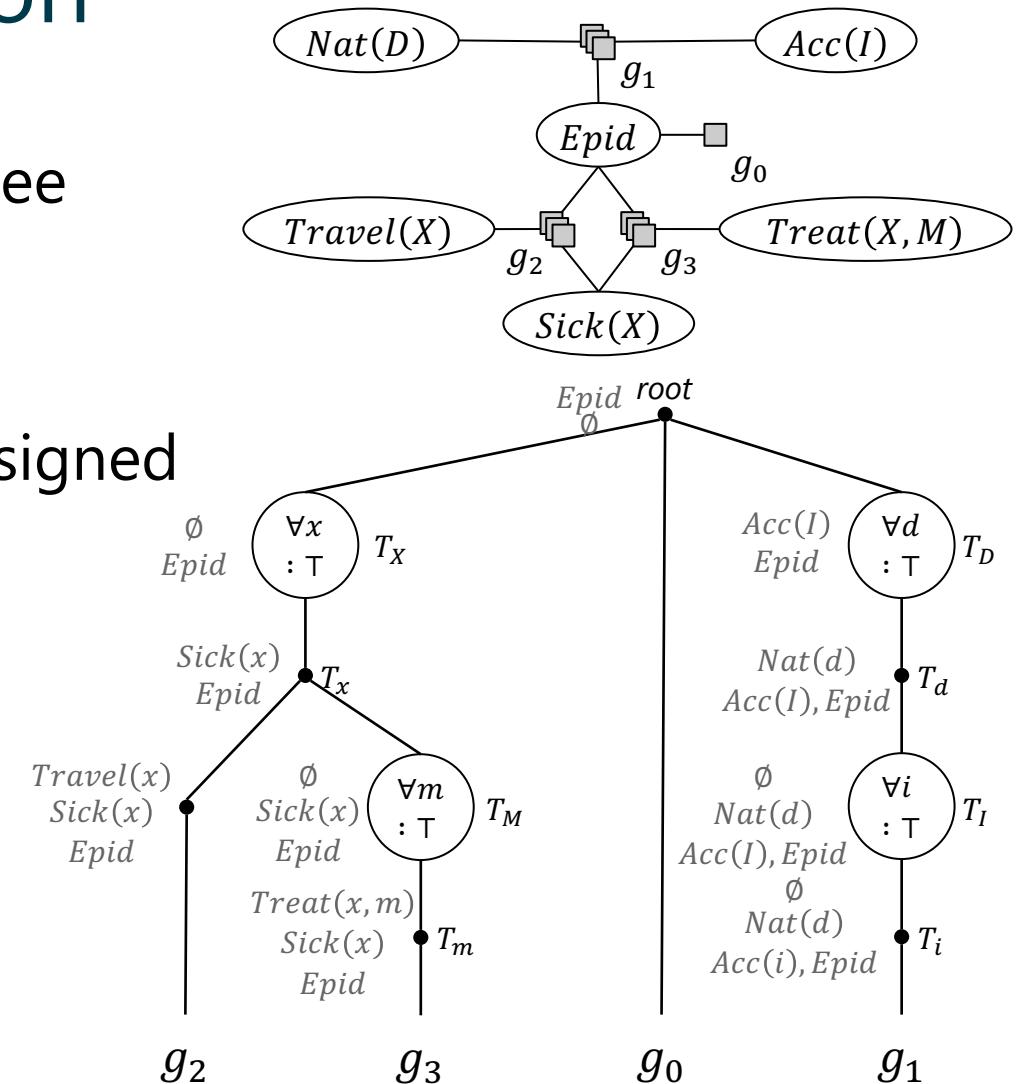
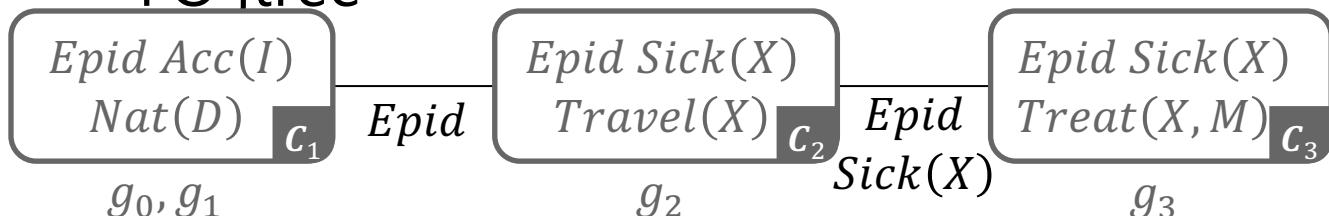
- Term  $nbs(i)$  refers to the neighbours of  $C_i$ , defined by
- $$nbs(i) = \{j \mid \{i, j\} \in E\}$$
- Each  $C_i$  has a **local model**  $G_i$  and
- $$\forall g \in G_i : rv(g) \subseteq C_i$$
- Local models  $G_i$  partition  $G$ , i.e.,

$$G = \bigcup_{i \in V} G_i, \forall i, j \in V, i \neq j : G_i \cap G_j = \emptyset, G_i \neq \emptyset$$



# Construction

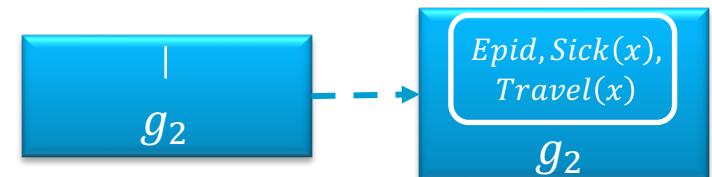
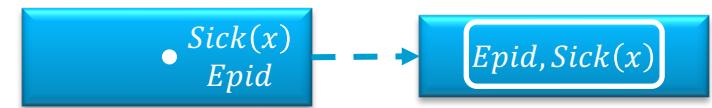
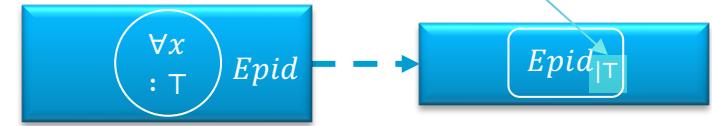
- Where do we get the FO jtree from s.t. the jtree
    - is acyclic
    - fulfils the three FO jtree properties
    - has the model parfactors automatically assigned to fitting parclusters?
- Clusters of an FO dtree
- + undirected dtree edges
  - + minimisation
  - = FO jtree



# Clusters → Parclusters

- Given an FO dtree  $T$  for a model  $G$  with clusters for each node
- Given a cluster  $\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$  of a DPG node  $(X, x, C)$ 
  - Resulting parcluster  $C_j = \{A_1, \dots, A_n\}|_C$ 
    - Local model  $G_j = \emptyset$
- Given a cluster  $\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$  of a VE node
  - Resulting parcluster  $C_j = \{A_1, \dots, A_n\}|_{\top}$ 
    - Local model  $G_j = \emptyset$
- Given a cluster  $\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$  from a leaf node with parfactor  $g_i$ 
  - Resulting parcluster  $C_j = \{A_1, \dots, A_n\}|_{\top}$ 
    - Local model  $G_j = \{g_i\}$

Let's carry the constraint around  
for a bit to make it explicit



# FO Dtree → FO Jtree

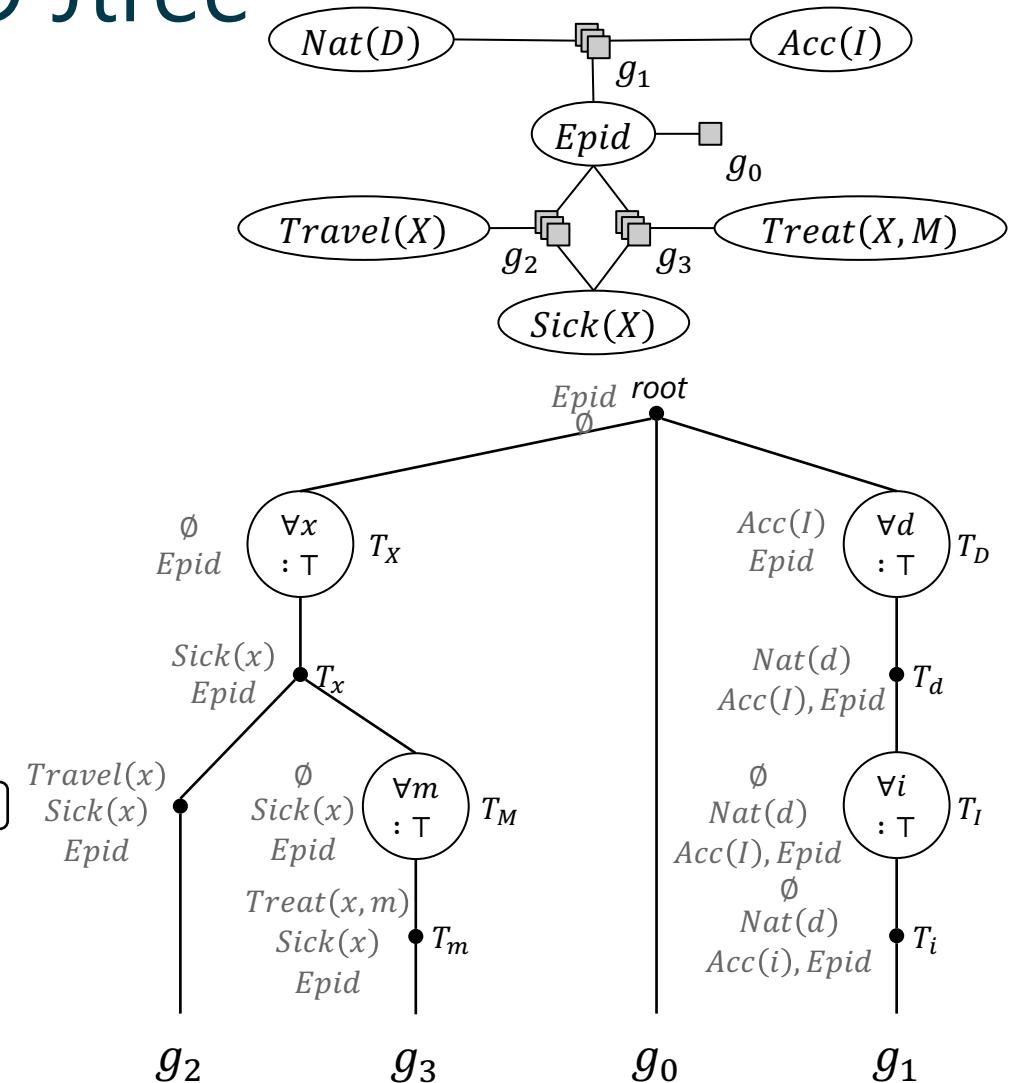
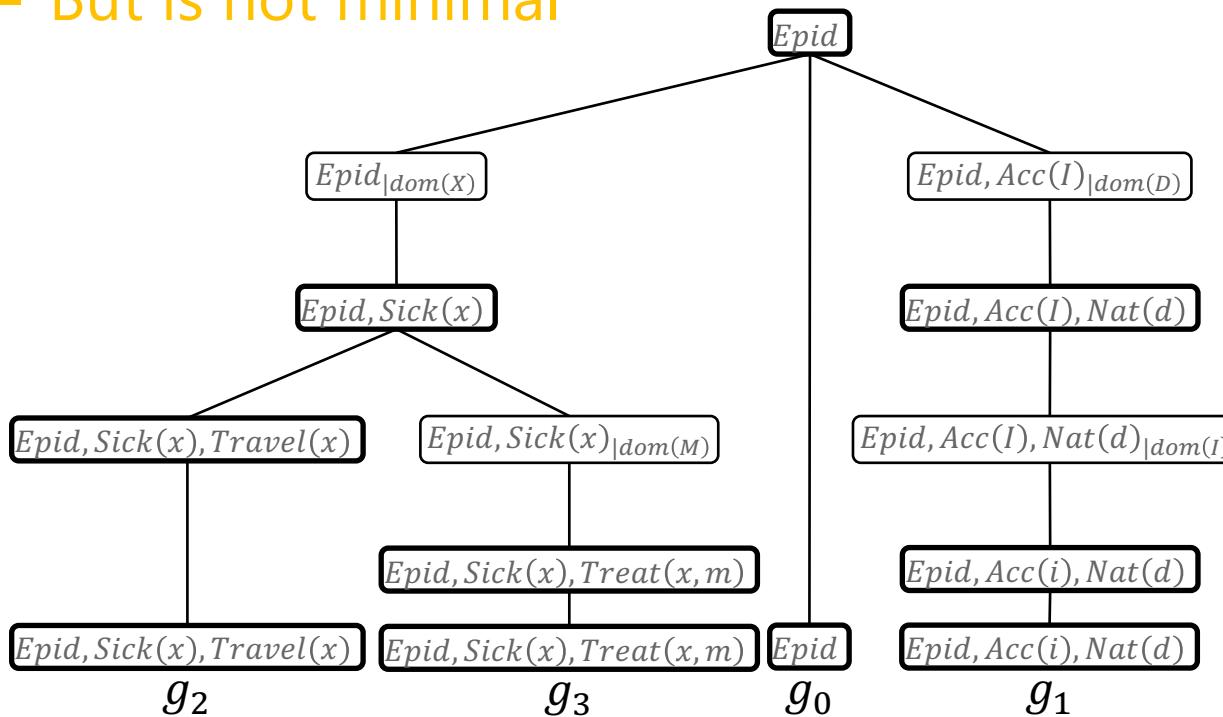
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- Forming an FO jtree  $J$  from an FO dtree  $T$  of a model  $G$
- Nodes of  $J$ 
  - Parclusters resulting from clusters of  $T$  as shown on previous slide
    - Each parcluster has a source node in  $T$
- Edges of  $J$ 
  - Add an edge between two parclusters whenever there is an edge between the source nodes of the two parclusters in  $T$



# FO Dtree → FO Jtree

- Result after transformation
  - Fulfils the three jtree properties
  - But is not minimal



# FO Dtree → FO Jtree

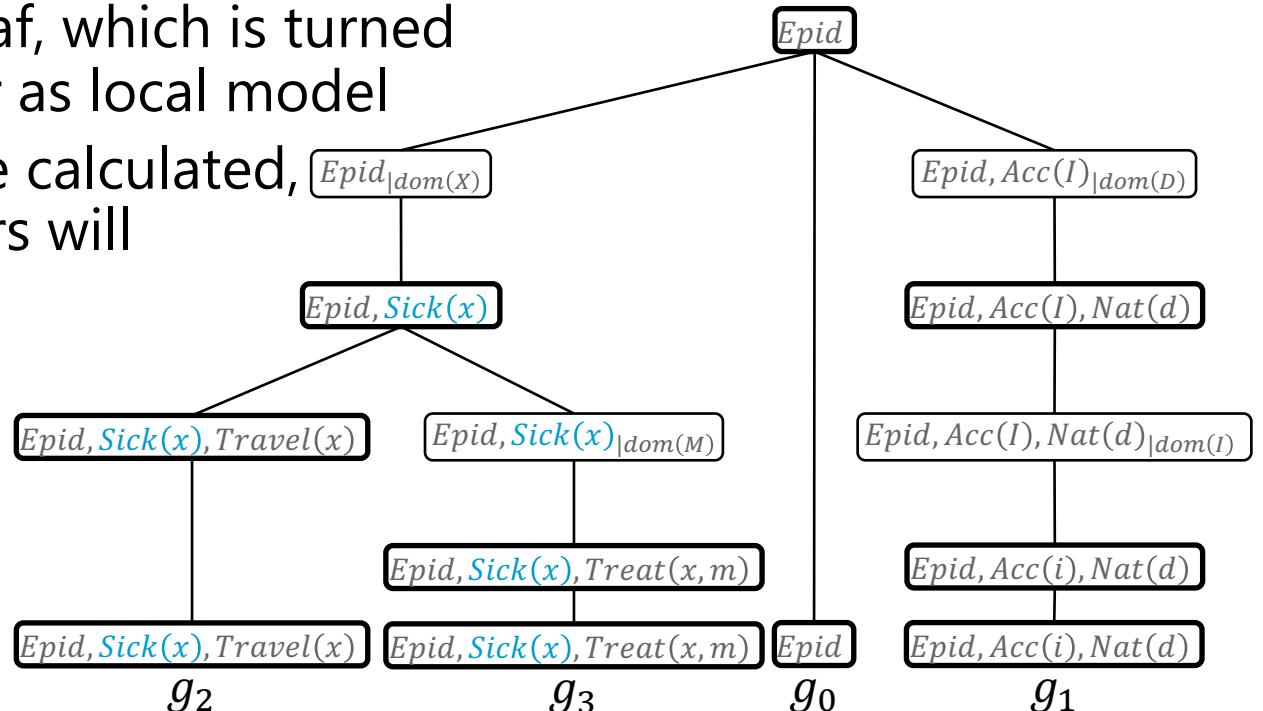
- Transformation result **fulfils the three jtree properties**

– Properties hold by construction of the FO dtree

- Parclusters can only contain model PRVs
- Each parfactor occurs at a dtree leaf, which is turned into a parcluster with the parfactor as local model
- Based on how cutset & context are calculated, a PRV that occurs in two parclusters will occur in all parclusters on the path between them\*

– E.g., *Sick(X)*

- $\forall \mathcal{C} \in V : \mathcal{C} \subseteq rv(G)$
- $\forall g \in G : \exists \mathcal{C} \in V : rv(g) \subseteq \mathcal{C}$
- If  $\exists A \in rv(G) : A \in \mathcal{C}_i \wedge A \in \mathcal{C}_j$   
with  $\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}_j \in V$ , then  $\forall \mathcal{C}_k \in V$  on  
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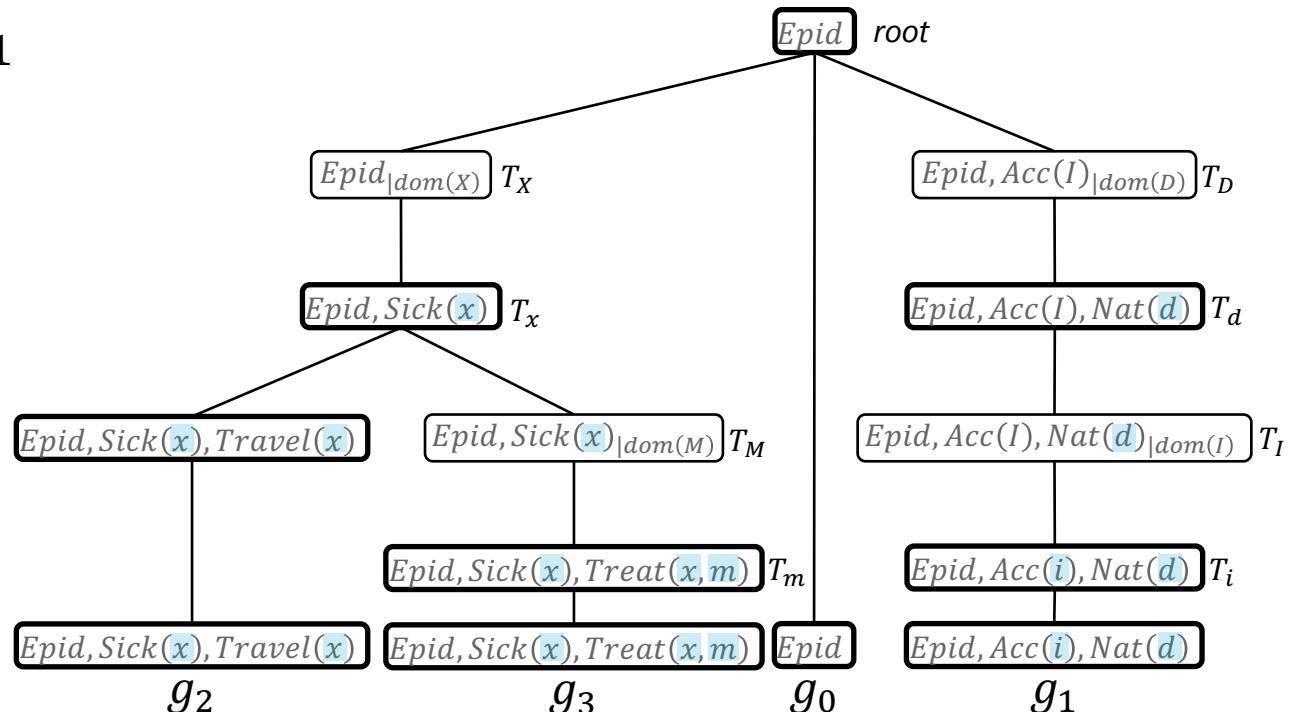
\* Proof for jtrees: Adnan Darwiche: Recursive Conditioning. In: *Artificial Intelligence*, 2001.

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# FO Dtree → FO Jtree

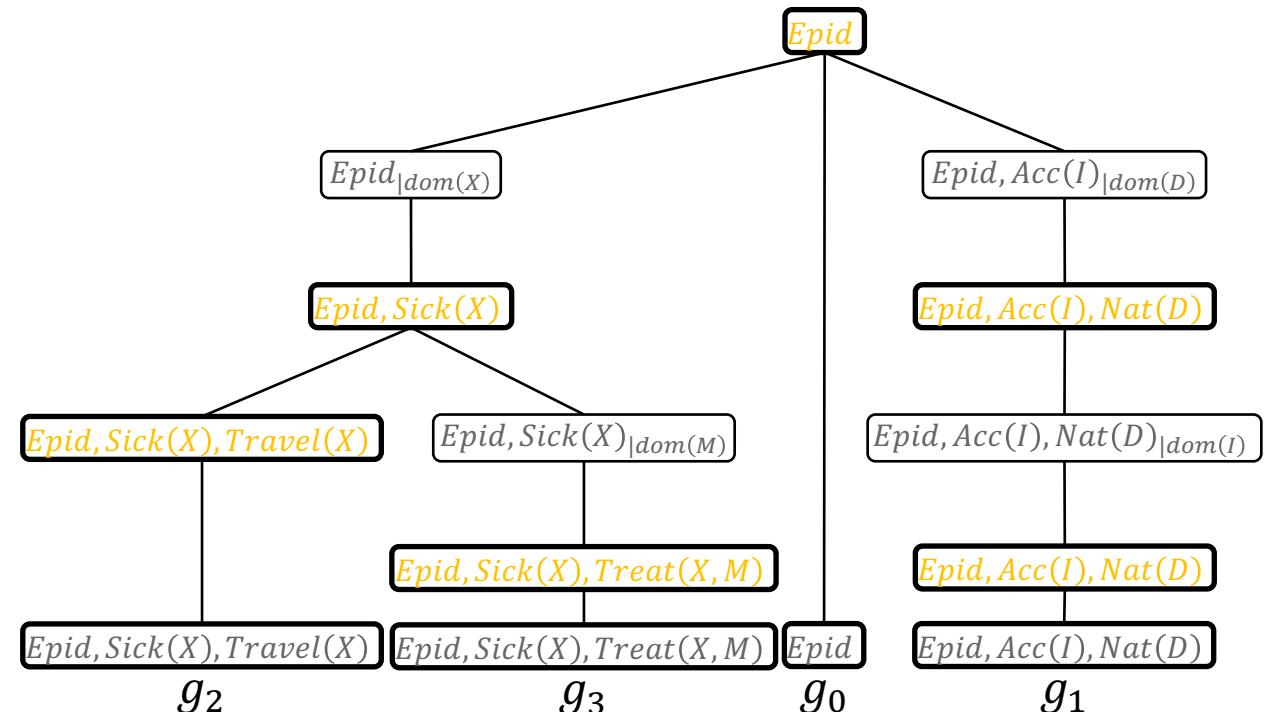
- But: Parclusters may contain a logical variable  $X$  or its representative  $x$
- For each source DPG node  $T_X$ 
  - Apply the inverse substitution  $\theta^{-1}$  to the one applied during FO dtree construction to all parclusters that come from descendants of  $T_X$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\theta^{-1} &= \{X \rightarrow x\}^{-1} \\ &= \{x \rightarrow X\}\end{aligned}$$



# FO Dtree → FO Jtree

- Result after transformation **not minimal**
  - Can remove complete parclusters and still have an FO jtree
    - Even if we keep parclusters that carry constraint information that we would otherwise lose
  - E.g.,
    - Parclusters **marked**
- Observation
  - Parclusters are subsets of other parclusters
    - Use for minimisation



# Minimisation

- Merge parclusters  $\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}_j$  with local models  $G_i, G_j$  iff  $gr(\mathcal{C}_i) \subseteq gr(\mathcal{C}_j) \vee gr(\mathcal{C}_j) \subseteq gr(\mathcal{C}_i)$ 
  - Assuming T constraints and same names for logical variables that reference the same domain (from normal form of FO dtree), then the following suffices:

$$\mathcal{C}_i \subseteq \mathcal{C}_j \vee \mathcal{C}_j \subseteq \mathcal{C}_i$$

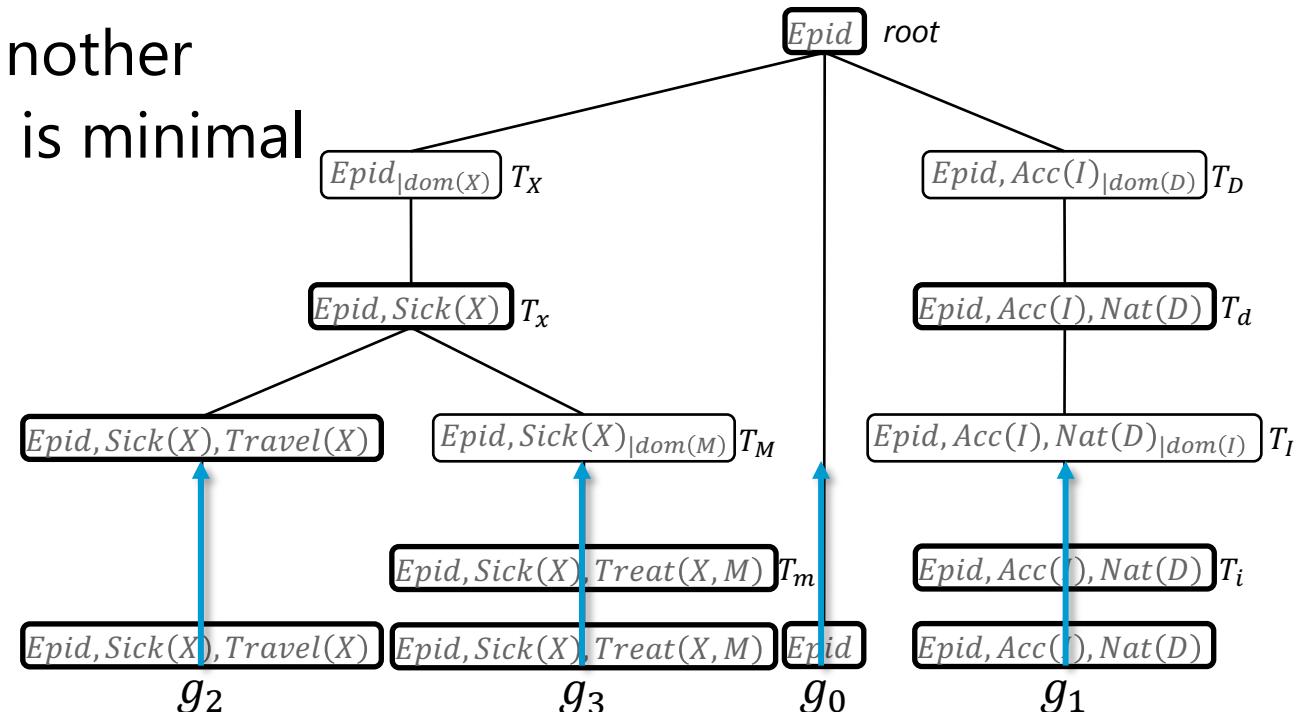
- Checking on a PRV and logical variable level instead of a grounded level
- Merging parclusters  $\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}_j$  into parcluster  $\mathcal{C}_k$ 
  - $\mathcal{C}_k = \mathcal{C}_i \cup \mathcal{C}_j$
  - $G_k = G_i \cup G_j$
  - Changes in FO jtree  $(V, E)$ 
    - $V = V \setminus \{\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}_j\} \cup \mathcal{C}_k$
    - $E = E \setminus \{\{i, l\} \mid l \in nbs(i)\} \setminus \{\{j, l\} \mid l \in nbs(j)\}$   
 $\quad \cup \{\{k, l\} \mid l \in nbs(i) \vee l \in nbs(j), l \neq i, l \neq j\}$

Reassigns all neighbours  
of  $\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}_j$  to  $\mathcal{C}_k$



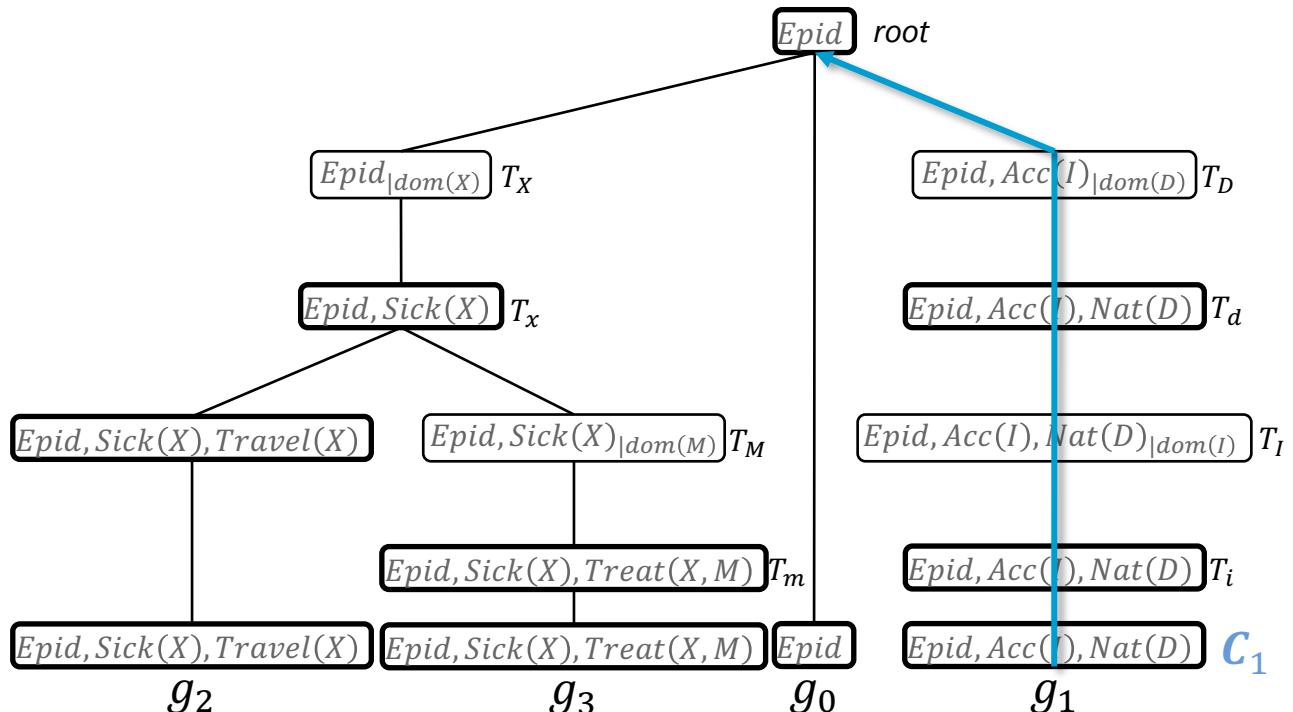
# Minimisation

- Possible merging strategy
  - Start at leaves and merge **inbound**
  - Until no further merging possible
    - I.e., no parcluster a subset of another
- After merging, the resulting FO jtree is minimal
- E.g.,
  - Start at leaves with
    - local model  $\{g_0\}$
    - local model  $\{g_1\}$
    - local model  $\{g_2\}$
    - local model  $\{g_3\}$



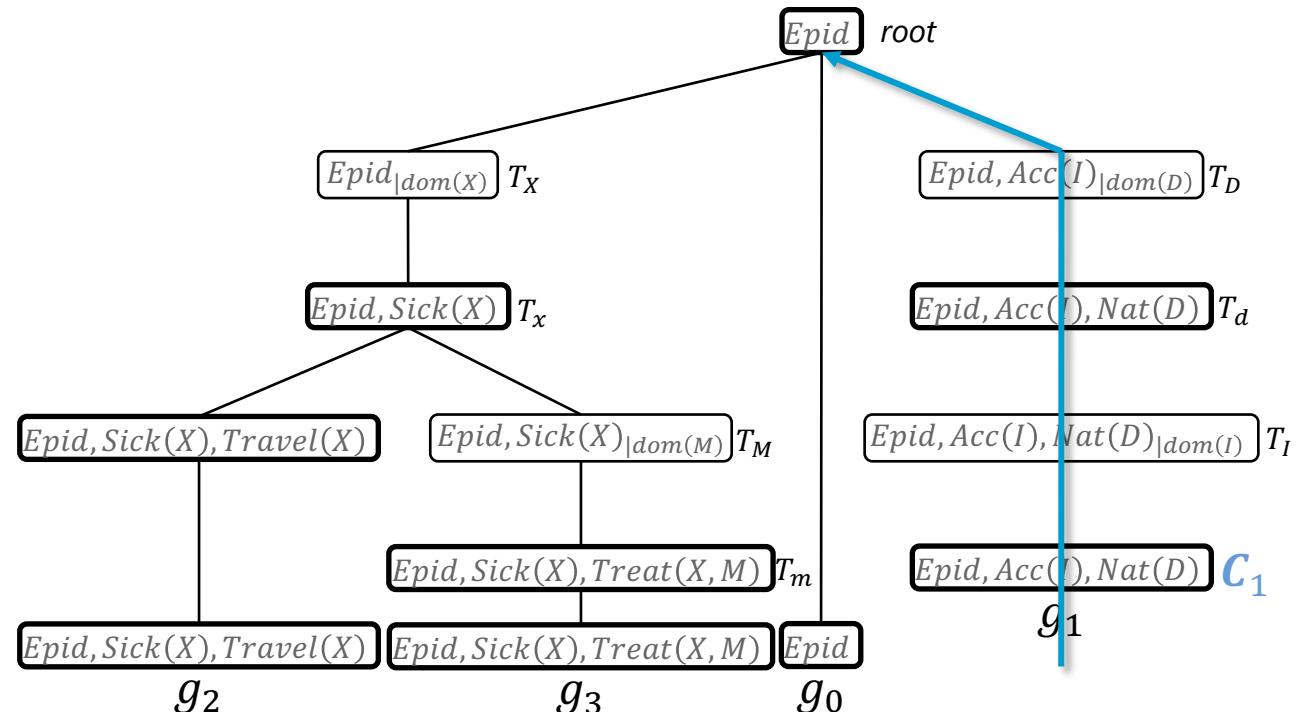
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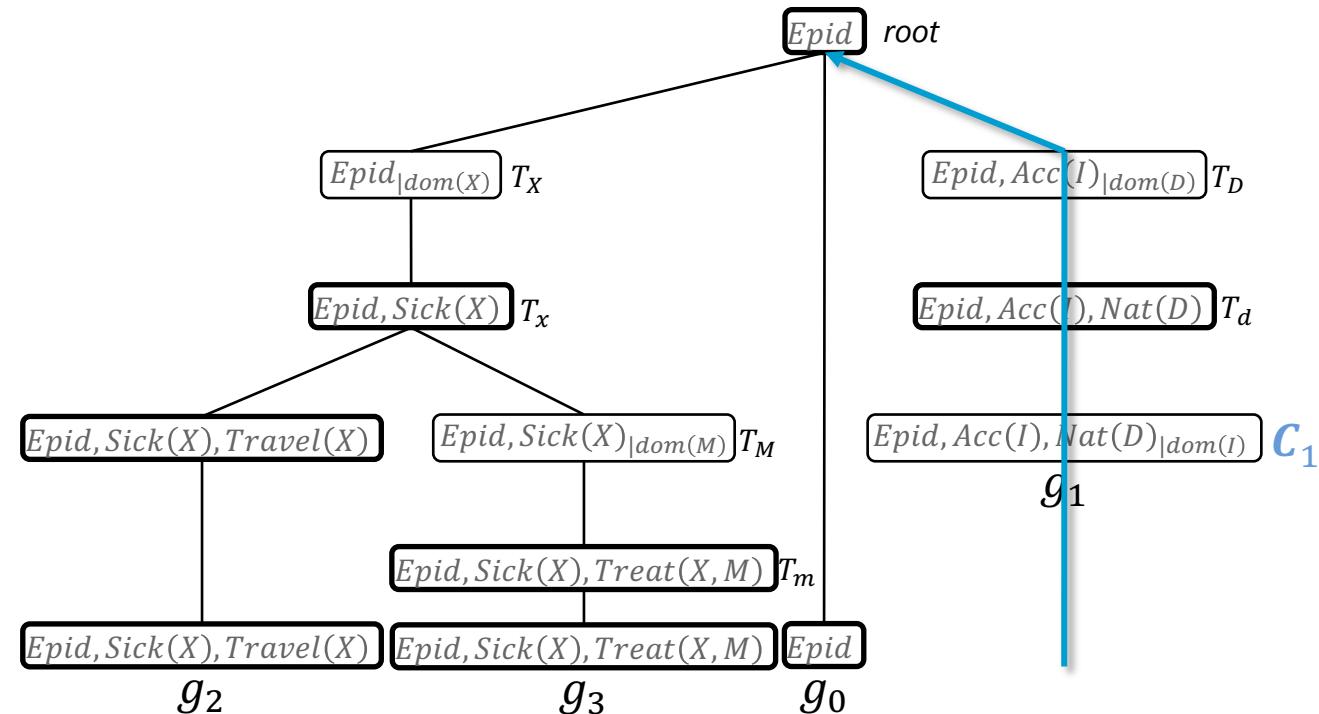
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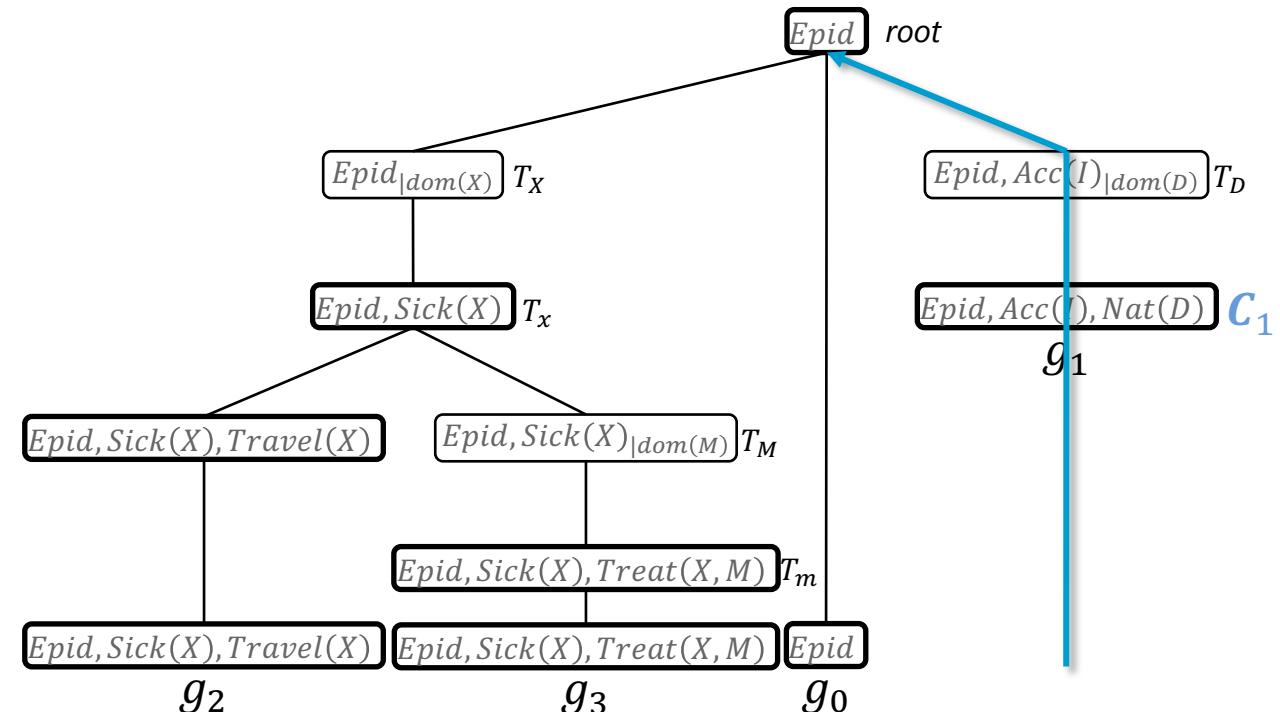
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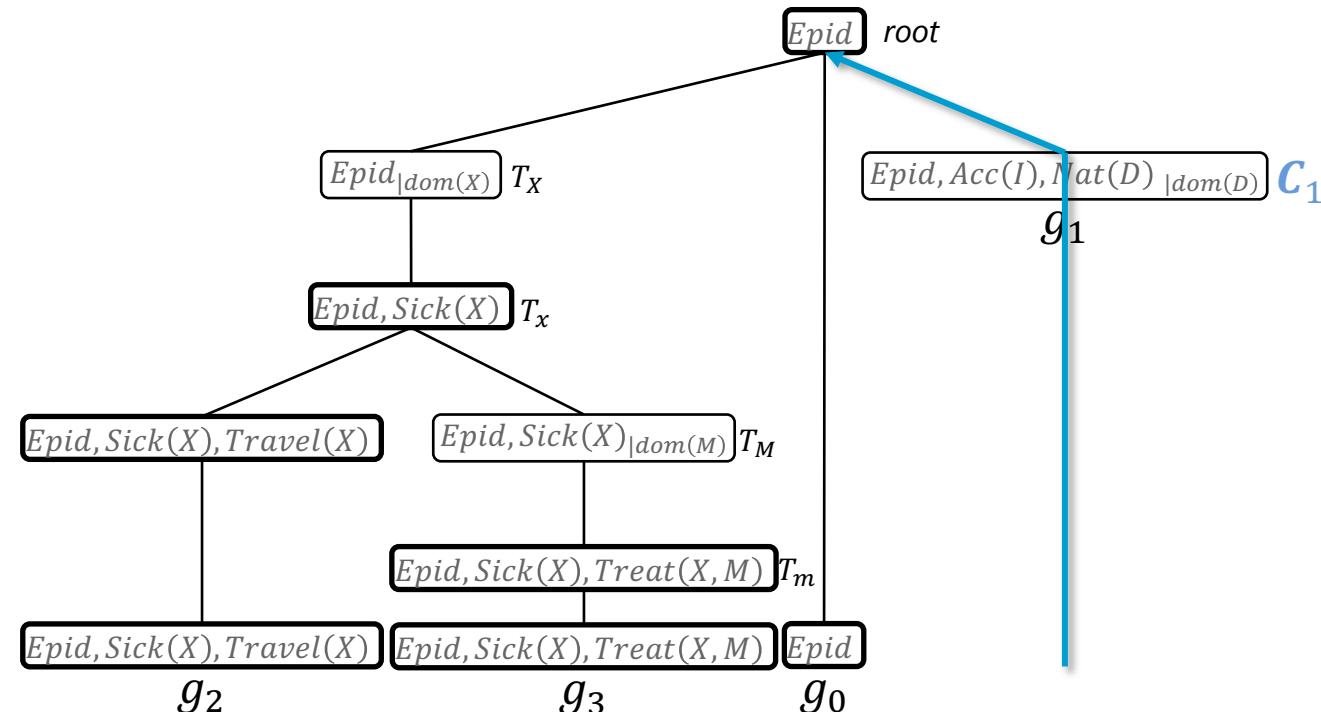
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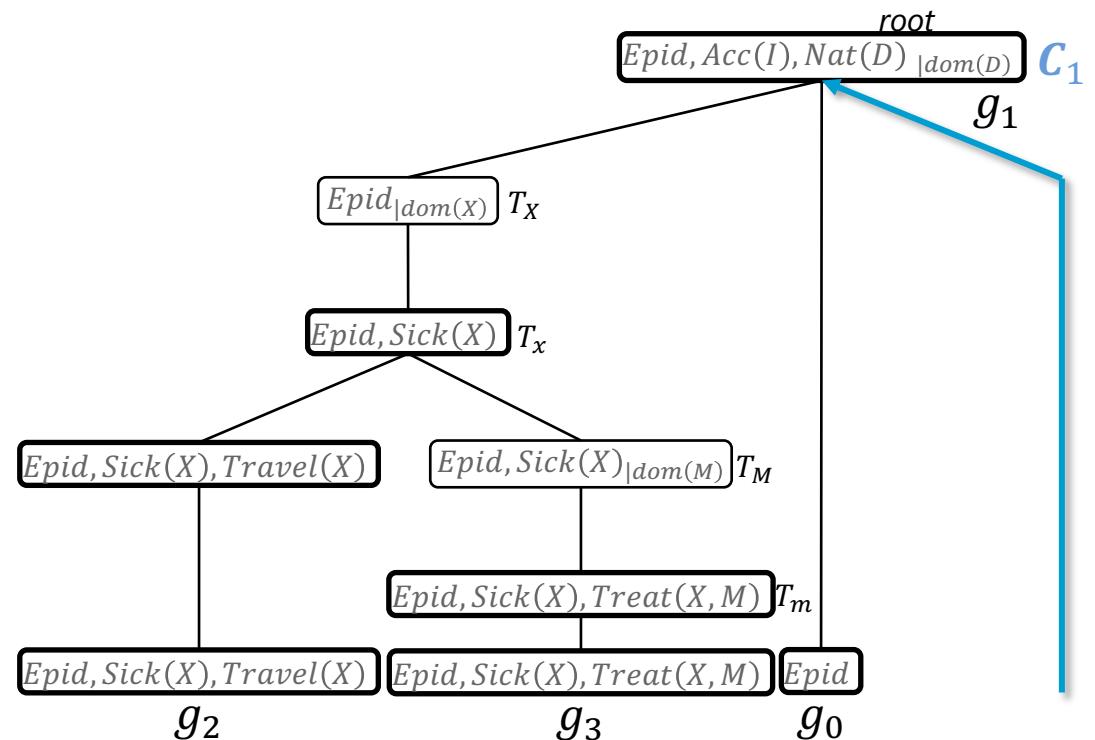
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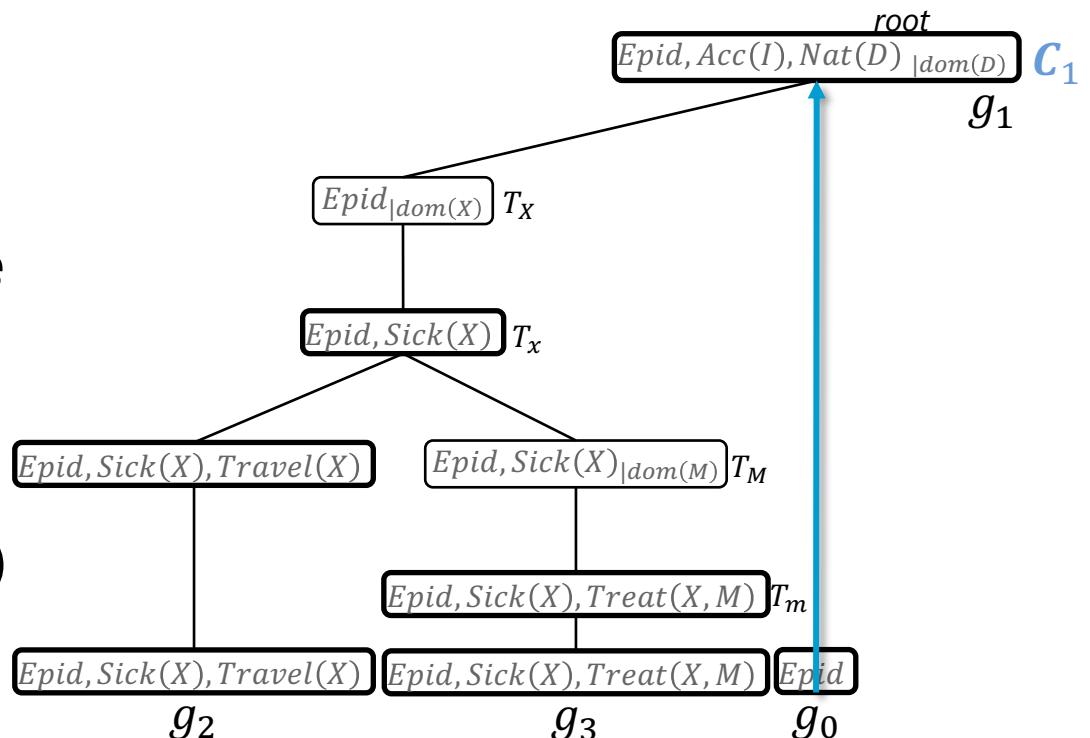
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- Consider leaf parcluster with local model  $\{g_1\}$ 
  - Let us call it  $C_1$
  - At this point, we have reached the former root and cannot merge further inbound
    - Also: the  $T_X$  parcluster contains logical variable  $X$ , which is not a subset or superset of the logical variables of  $C_1$  ( $D, I$ )
    - Merging stops



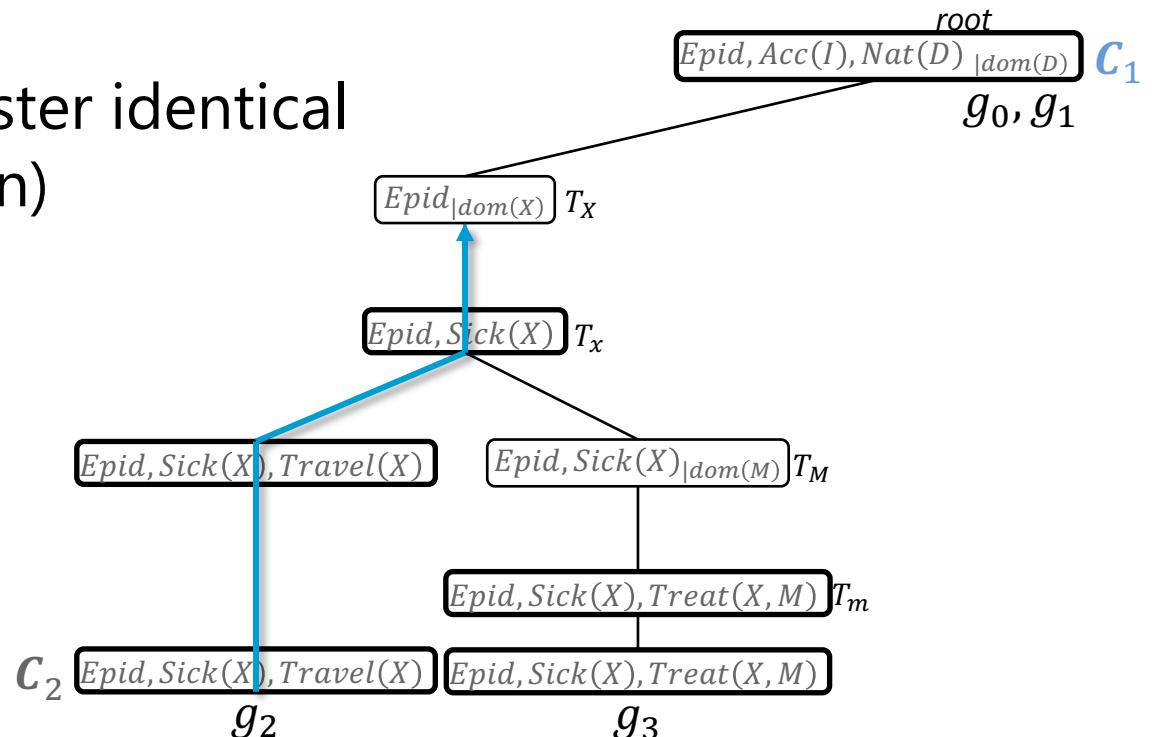
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- Consider leaf parcluster with local model  $\{g_0\}$ 
  - Let us call it  $C_0$
  - Merge **inbound**
    - $C_0$  subset of  $C_1$   
→ merge (call result  $C_1$  again)
  - At this point, we have reached the former root again and cannot merge further inbound
    - Also again: the  $T_x$  parcluster contains logical variable  $X$ , which is not a subset or superset of the logical variables of  $C_1$  ( $D, I$ )
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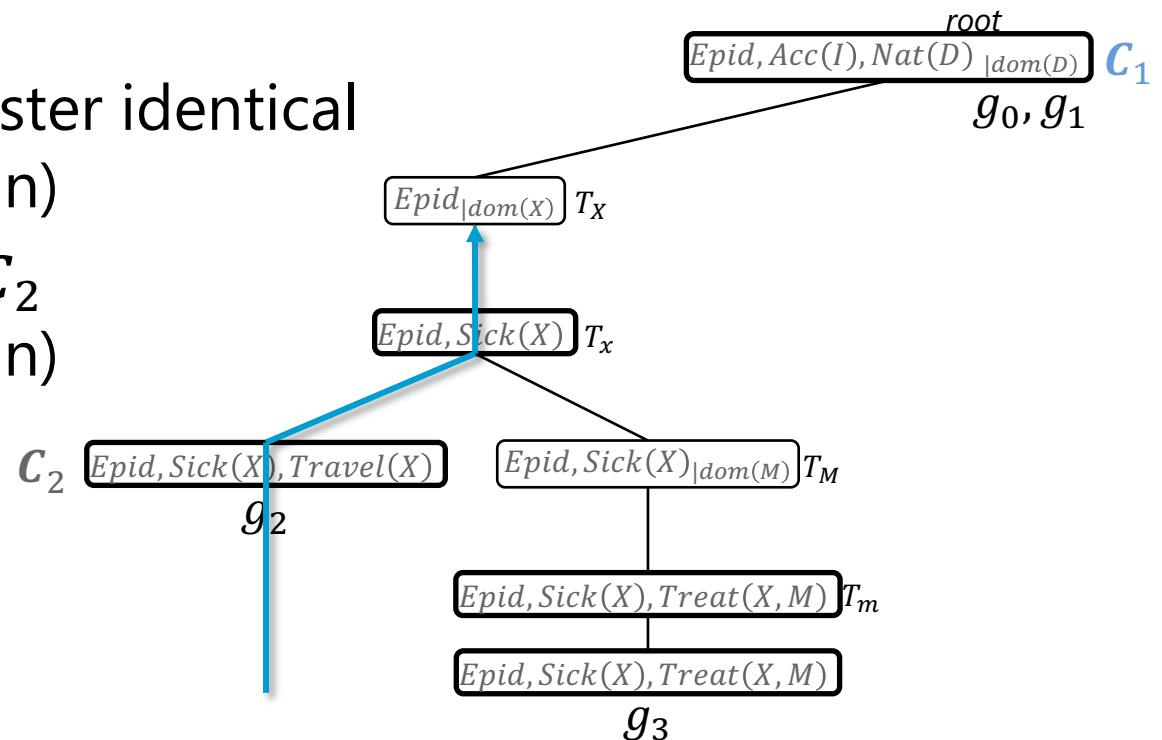
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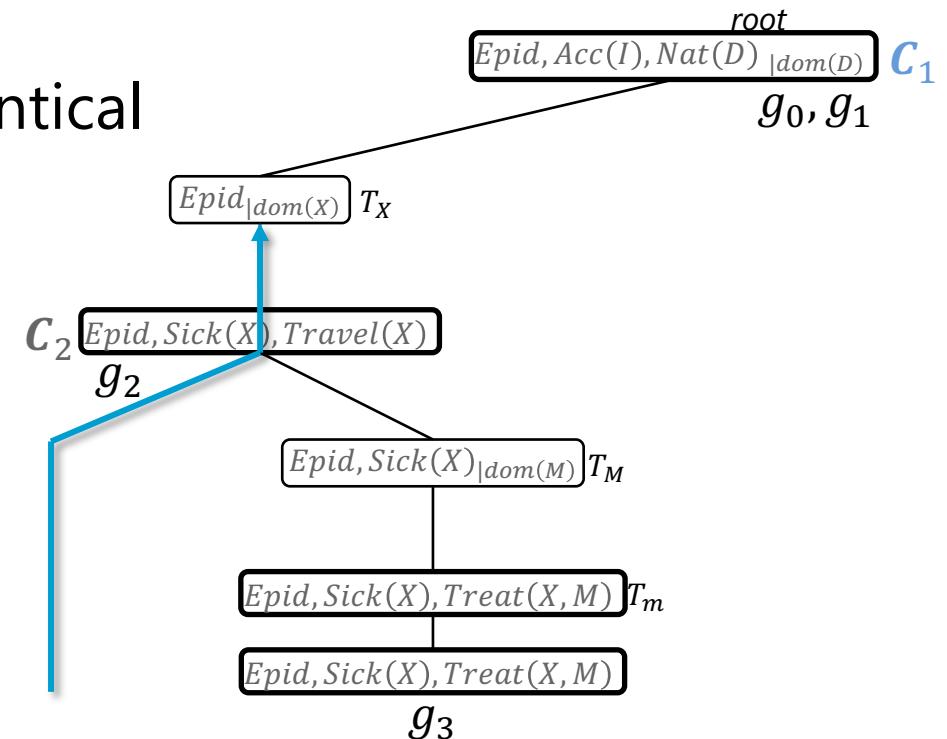
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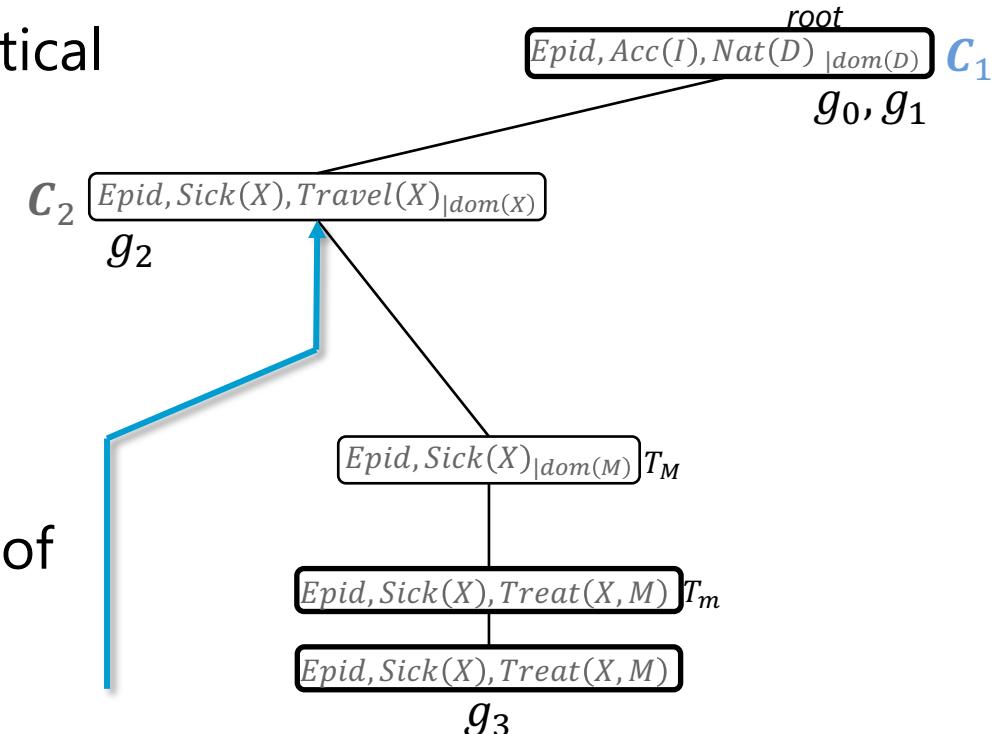
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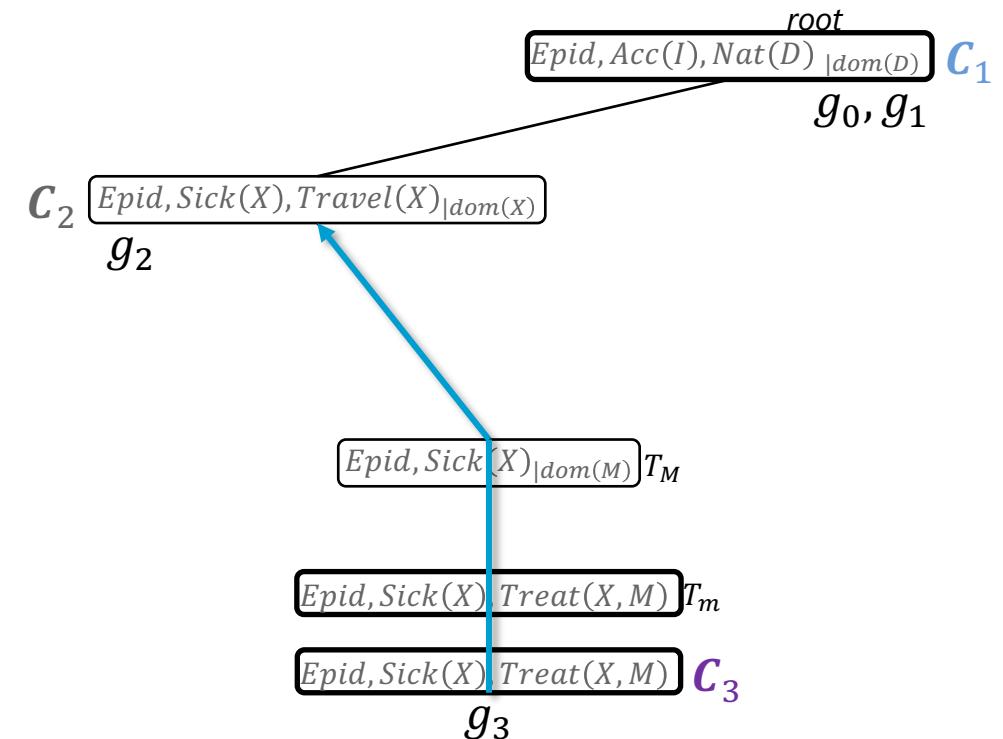
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→ merge (call result  $C_2$  again)
  - Merging cannot move further inbound
    - $C_1$  is neither a subset nor a superset of  $C_2$
    - Merging stops



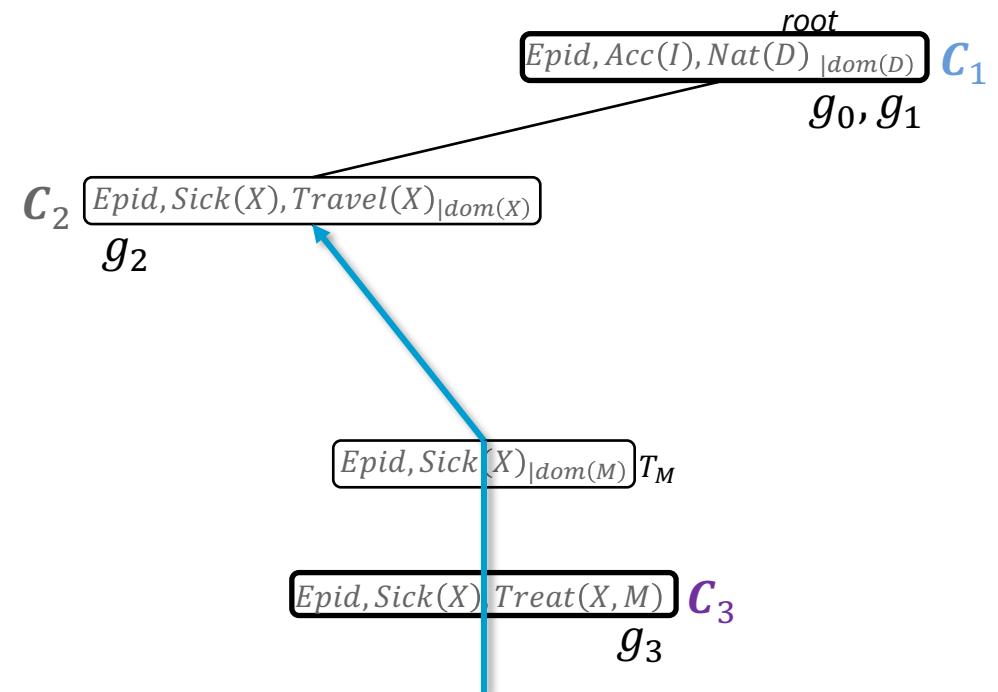
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- Consider leaf parcluster with local model  $\{g_3\}$ 
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  - Merge inbound
    - $C_3$  and  $T_m$  parcluster identical  
→ merge (call result  $C_3$  again)



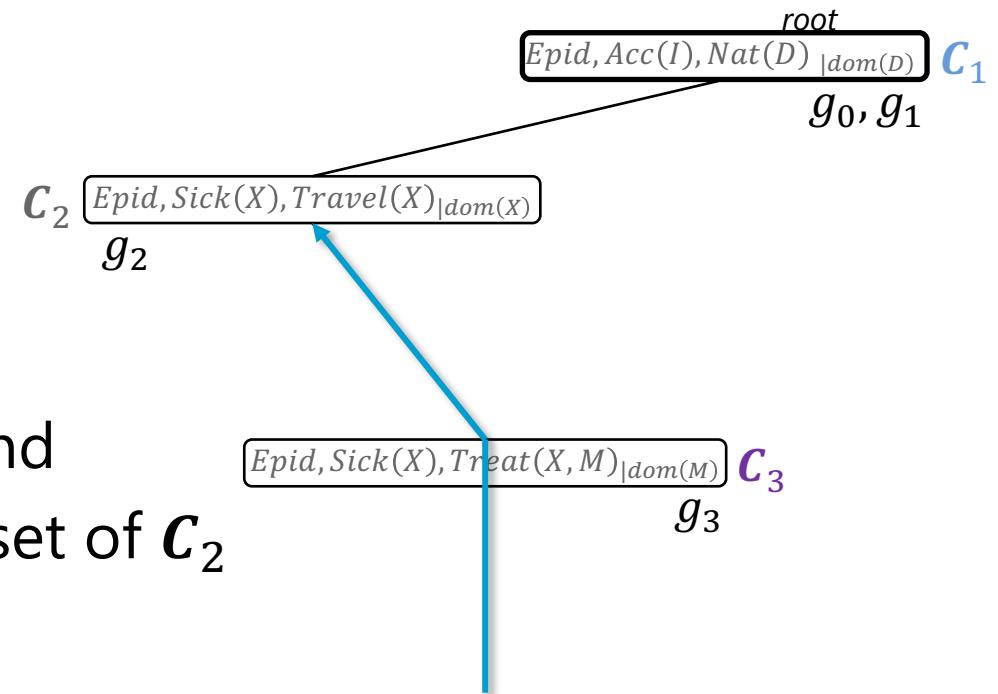
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  - Merge inbound
    - $C_3$  and  $T_m$  parcluster identical  
→ merge (call result  $C_3$  again)
    - $T_M$  parcluster is a subset of  $C_3$   
→ merge



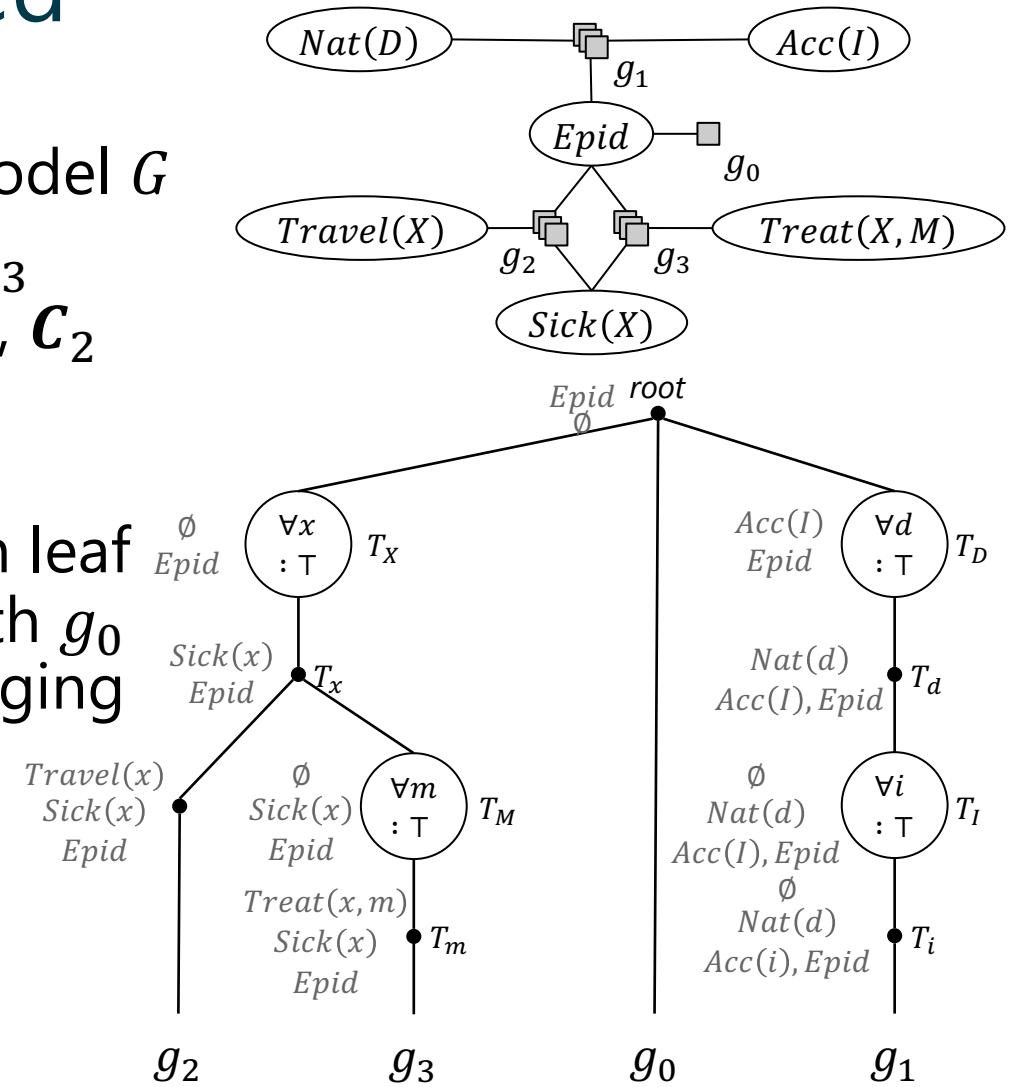
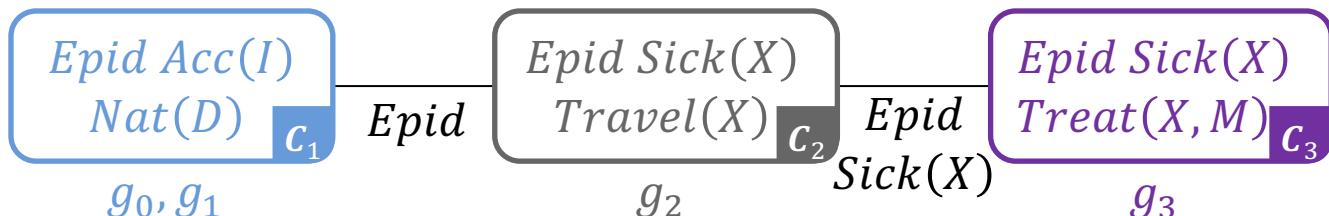
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  - Merge inbound
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→ merge (call result  $C_3$  again)
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→ merge (call result  $C_3$  again)
  - Merging cannot move further inbound
    - $C_3$  is neither a subset nor a superset of  $C_2$
    - Merging stops



# Minimisation: Example Continued

- Resulting FO jtree  $J$  from FO dtree  $T$  given model  $G$ 
    - If we had started merging from leaf with  $g_3$  inbound before merging from leaf with  $g_2$ ,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  would be switched
    - $g_0$  could have made one of the other parclusters if we had started merging from leaf with  $g_2$  or  $g_3$  before merging from leaf with  $g_0$  or by starting at leaf with  $g_0$  and then merging from leaf with  $g_2$  or  $g_3$



# FO Jtree Construction

- Given a model  $G$ , the following steps are necessary
  - Bring  $G$  into the required normal form for FO dtree construction
  - Construct an FO dtree  $T$  for  $G$
  - Translate  $T$  into an FO jtree  $J$
  - Apply inverse substitutions to parclusters of descendants of DPG nodes in  $J$
  - Minimise  $J$

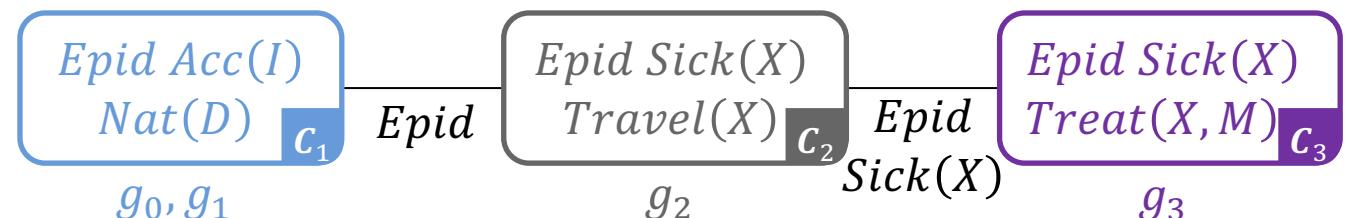
Construction

- Next?
- FO jtrees for query answering
  - Messages need to be passed to ensure independence
  - What about evidence?



# Message Passing in FO Jtrees

- Ensure independence between parclusters
- Send messages based on two conditions
  - If a node  $i$  has received all messages from neighbours but one,  $j$ , node  $i$  calculates and sends a message to  $j$
  - If a node  $i$  has received all messages, then it calculates and sends messages to all neighbours  $j$  that have not received a message yet

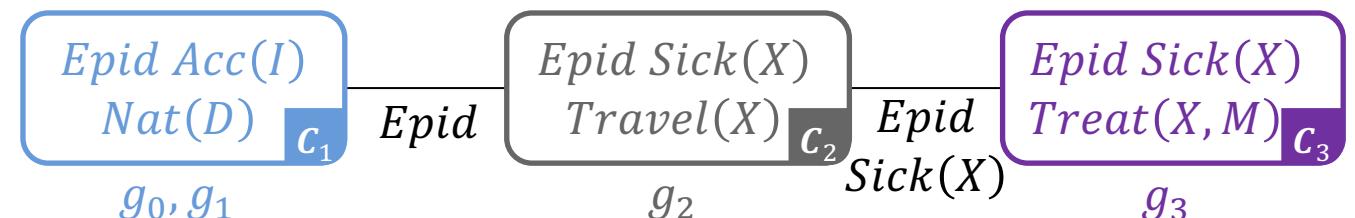


# Message Passing in FO Jtrees

- Message  $m_{ij}$  from sender  $C_i$  to receiver  $C_j$ 
  - Set of parfactors  $\{g_l\}_{l=1}^n$  with  $rv(g_l) \subseteq S_{ij}$
  - To calculate
    - Collect necessary information from local model and received messages:

$$G_{ij} = G_i \cup \bigcup_{k \in nbs(i), k \neq j} m_{ki}$$

- Ignore the message that came from  $C_j$  (if it already exists)
- Call slightly modified LVE with  $G_{ij}$  as input model,  $S_{ij}$  as query, and no evidence:  
 $LVE-MSG(G_{ij}, S_{ij})$ 
  - Specification of LVE-MSG: next slide



# LVE for Message Passing

**LVE-MSG( $G, S$ )**

$G \leftarrow$  Shatter  $G$  on itself

No shattering on separator (due to construction) or evidence, no absorption (will have been handled)

- Model might need to be shattered on itself because of splits introduced by messages

**while**  $G$  contains non-query terms **do**

**if** a PRV  $A$  fulfils the preconditions of sum-out **then**

$G \leftarrow$  Apply sum-out to  $A$  in  $G$

**else**

$G \leftarrow$  Apply an enabling operator on some parfactors in  $G$

**return**  $G$

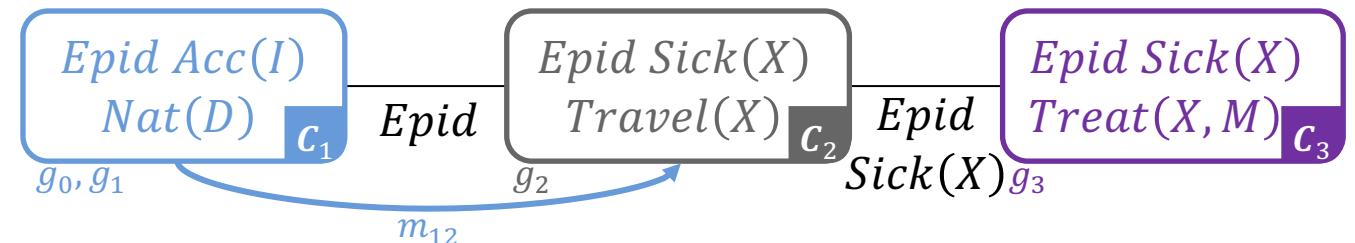
No normalisation (and multiplication of the remaining factors to be able to normalise) at the end

- Interim result returned



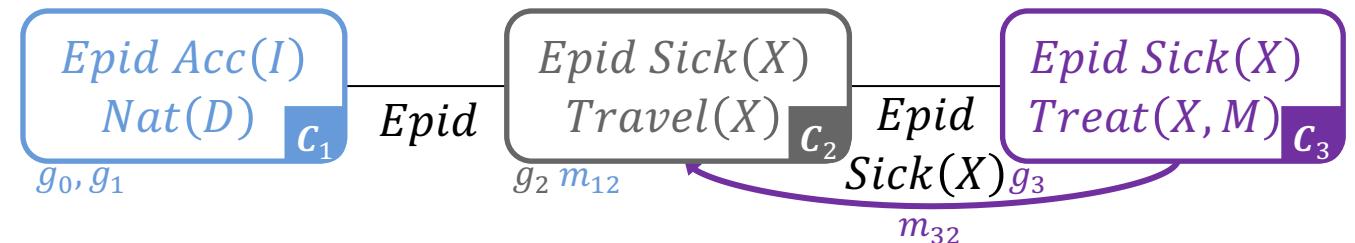
# Message Passing in FO Jtrees: Example

- Message  $m_{12}$  from  $C_1$  to  $C_2$ 
  - Collect  $G_{12} = \{g_1\} \cup \emptyset$ 
    - No further neighbours except  $C_2$
  - Call LVE–MSG( $\{g_1\}, \{Epid\}, \emptyset$ )
    - LVE–MSG eliminates  $Nat(D), Acc(I)$  from  $\{g_1\}$ 
      - Count-converting  $Nat(D)$  into  $\#_D[Nat(D)]$
      - Summing out  $Acc(I)$
      - Summing out  $\#_D[Nat(D)]$
      - Returning  $\{g'_1\}$
  - Send  $\{g'_1\}$  as  $m_{12}$  to  $C_2$



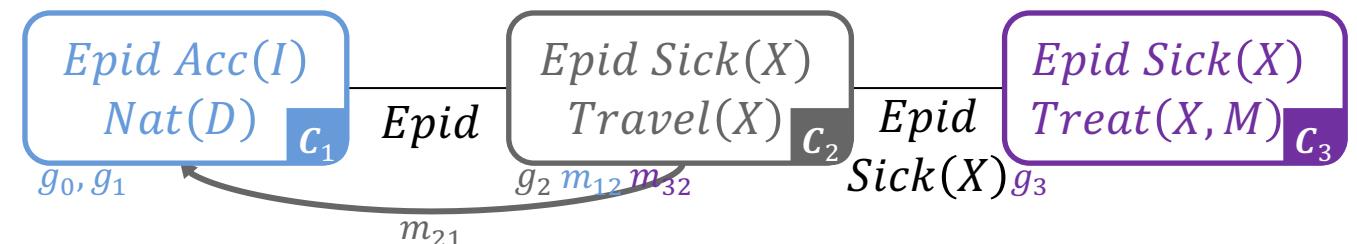
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- Message  $m_{32}$  from  $C_3$  to  $C_2$ 
  - Collect  $G_{32} = \{g_3\} \cup \emptyset$ 
    - No further neighbours except  $C_2$
  - Call LVE–MSG( $\{g_3\}, \{Epid, Sick(X)\}, \emptyset$ )
    - LVE–MSG eliminates  $Treat(X, M)$  from  $\{g_3\}$ 
      - Summing out  $Treat(X, M)$
      - Returning  $\{g'_3\}$
  - Send  $\{g'_3\}$  as  $m_{32}$  to  $C_2$



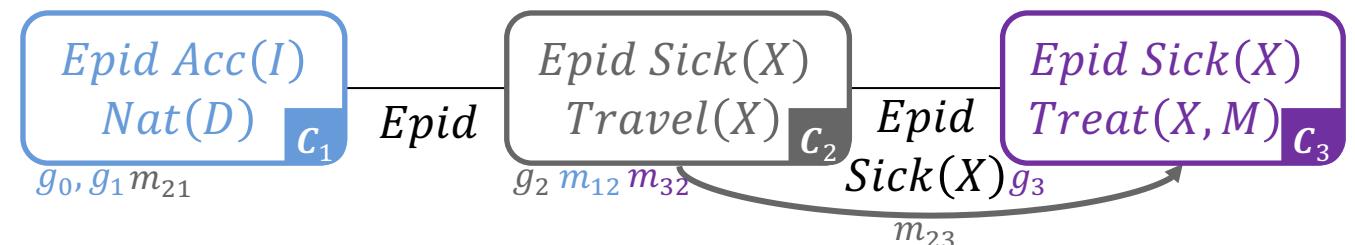
# Message Passing in FO Jtrees: Example

- Message  $m_{21}$  from  $C_2$  to  $C_1$ 
  - Collect  $G_{21} = \{g_2\} \cup m_{32}$ 
    - Further neighbour:  $C_3$ , sent message  $m_{32} = \{g'_3\}$
  - Call LVE–MSG( $\{g_2, g'_3\}, \{Epid\}, \emptyset$ )
    - LVE–MSG eliminates  $Travel(X), Sick(X)$  from  $\{g_2, g'_3\}$ 
      - Summing out  $Travel(X)$  from  $g_2$ , yielding  $g'_2$
      - Summing out  $Sick(X)$  from product of  $g'_2$  and  $g'_3$ , yielding  $g'_{23}$
      - Returning  $\{g'_{23}\}$
  - Send  $\{g'_{23}\}$  as  $m_{21}$  to  $C_1$



# Message Passing in FO Jtrees: Example

- Message  $m_{23}$  from  $C_2$  to  $C_3$ 
  - Collect  $G_{23} = \{g_2\} \cup m_{12}$ 
    - Further neighbour:  $C_1$ , sent message  $m_{12} = \{g'_1\}$
  - Call  $\text{LVE}^*(\{g_2, g'_1\}, \{\text{Epid}, \text{Sick}(X)\}, \emptyset)$ 
    - LVE\* eliminates  $\text{Travel}(X)$  from  $\{g_2, g'_1\}$ 
      - Summing out  $\text{Travel}(X)$  from  $g_2$ , yielding  $g'_2$
      - Returning  $\{g'_2, g'_1\}$
  - Send  $\{g'_2, g'_1\}$  as  $m_{23}$  to  $C_3$



# Message Passing: Overview

- Given an FO jtree  $J$ , send messages if one of the two conditions is true
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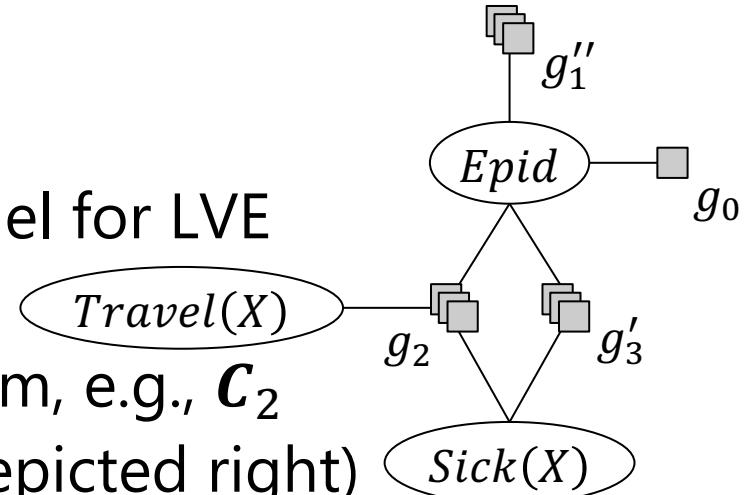
- Call LVE–MSG( $G_{ij}, S_{ij}$ )

Message Passing



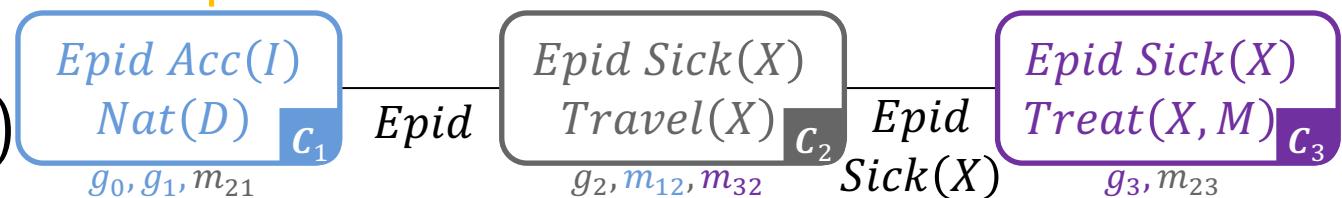
# Query Answering in FO Jtrees

- Idea
  - Pick parcluster in which query terms occur
  - Use local model and outside messages as input model for LVE
  - E.g., for  $P(Epid)$ 
    - All parclusters contain  $Epid$ , choose one at random, e.g.,  $C_2$
    - Collect  $G_{Epid} = \{g_2\} \cup m_{12} \cup m_{32} = \{g_2, g'_1, g'_3\}$  (depicted right)
    - Call  $LVE(\{g_2, g'_1, g'_3\}, Epid, \emptyset)$ , yielding a parfactor  $g$  containing the probability distribution over  $Epid$



- What if query terms occur outside of one parcluster?

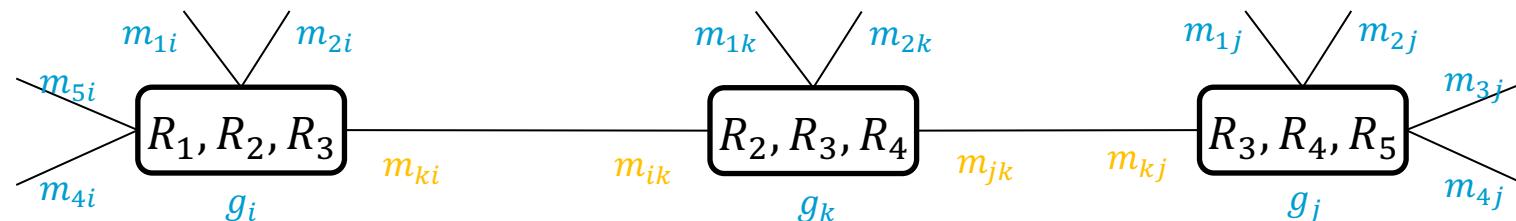
- E.g.,  
 $P(Travel(eve), Treat(eve, m_1))$



# Query Answering in FO Jtrees

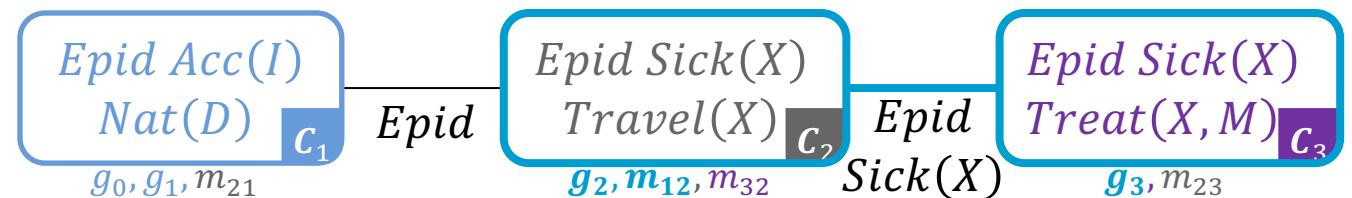
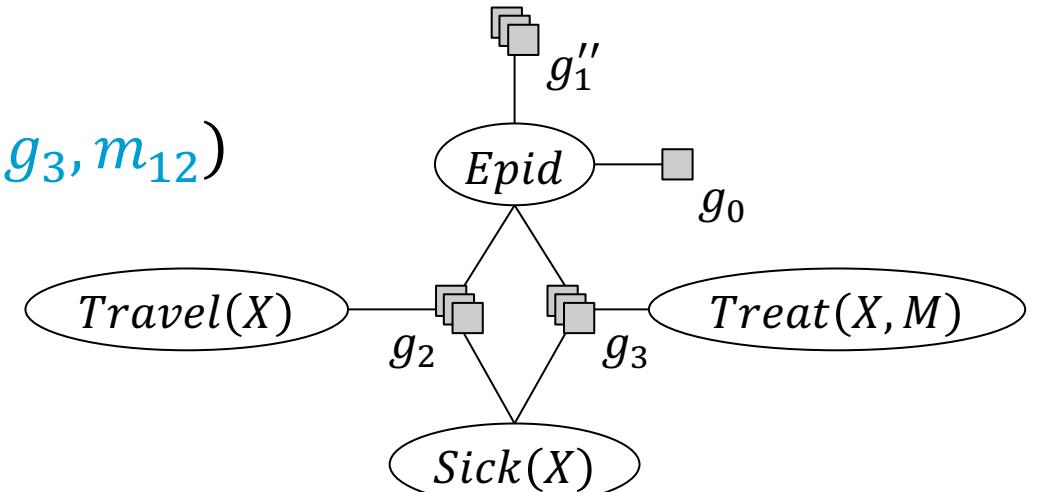
How can we find a subgraph?

- For query terms  $Q$ , possibly contained in more than one parcluster
  - Find a subgraph  $J'$  of the FO jtree  $J$  such that  $Q \subseteq rv(J')$
  - Use local models in  $J'$  and messages from outside  $J'$  as basis for calling LVE
    - No duplicate information used
  - E.g., query on  $R_1, R_5$  using  $C_i, C_k, C_j$ 
    - Ignore inside messages  $m_{ki}, m_{ik}, m_{jk}, m_{kj}$
- Subgraph should be minimal in the number of PRVs in it for optimal performance:
$$\underset{J'}{\operatorname{argmin}} |rv(J')|$$
$$\text{s.t. } Q \subseteq rv(J')$$
  - Trade-off between finding a subgraph fast and finding a minimal one
  - It is not about the number of parclusters!



# Query Answering in FO Jtrees: Example

- E.g.,  $P(Travel(eve), Treat(eve, m_1))$ 
  - Subgraph:  $C_2, C_3$
  - Submodel for query answering:  $G_Q = (g_2, g_3, m_{12})$ 
    - Depicted right
  - Call LVE with  $G_Q$  and  
 $Q = \{Travel(eve), Treat(eve, m_1)\}$ 
    - Split off query terms
    - Eliminate all non-query terms
    - Normalise the result



# Query Answering in FO Jtrees

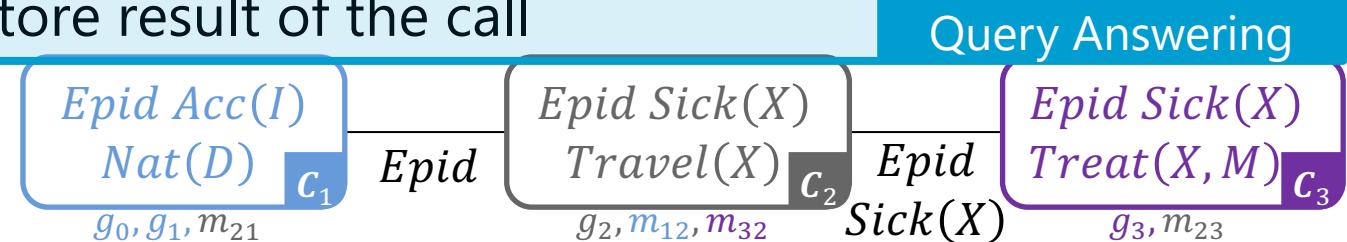
- After message passing, parclusters independent from each other given messages
  - Prepared for query answering
- For each query with query terms  $Q$ 
  - Find subtree  $J' = (V', E')$  s.t.  $Q \subseteq rv(J')$
  - Collect information from local model and messages, i.e,

$$G_Q = \bigcup_{i \in V'} G_i \cup \bigcup_{\substack{j \in nbs(i) \\ j \notin V'}} m_{ji}$$

- Call  $LVE(G_Q, Q, \emptyset)$  and return or store result of the call

Query Answering

- What about evidence?



# Evidence in FO Jtrees

- Evidence applies to PRVs in some parclusters
    - Changes the distributions in local models
    - Information sent in messages might change
      - Even if summed out and therefore hidden from the other parclusters
  - Therefore, handle evidence before sending messages
    - Only then send messages
- Given a set of evidence parfactors  $\{\phi_e(A_e)_{|C_e}\}_{e=1}^m$
  - For each  $\phi_e(A_e)_{|C_e}$ 
    - For each parcluster  $C_i$  where  $A_e \in C_i$ 
      - Shatter  $G_i$  on  $C_e$
      - Absorb  $\phi_e(A_e)_{|C_e}$  in  $G_i$
- Evidence Entering
- ```
graph LR; subgraph c1 [c1]; A[Epid Acc(I)]; B[Nat(D)]; end; subgraph c2 [c2]; C[Epid Sick(X)]; D[Travel(X)]; end; subgraph c3 [c3]; E[Epid Sick(X)]; F[Treat(X, M)]; end; c1 -- "Epid" --> c2; c2 -- "Epid" --> c3;
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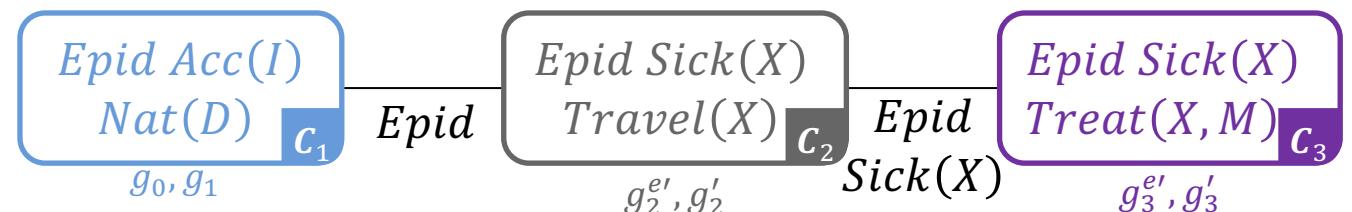
Parcluster  $c_1$ :  $Epid\ Acc(I)$ ,  $Nat(D)$ . Evidence:  $g_0, g_1$ .

Parcluster  $c_2$ :  $Epid\ Sick(X)$ ,  $Travel(X)$ . Evidence:  $g_2$ .

Parcluster  $c_3$ :  $Epid\ Sick(X)$ ,  $Treat(X, M)$ . Evidence:  $g_3$ .
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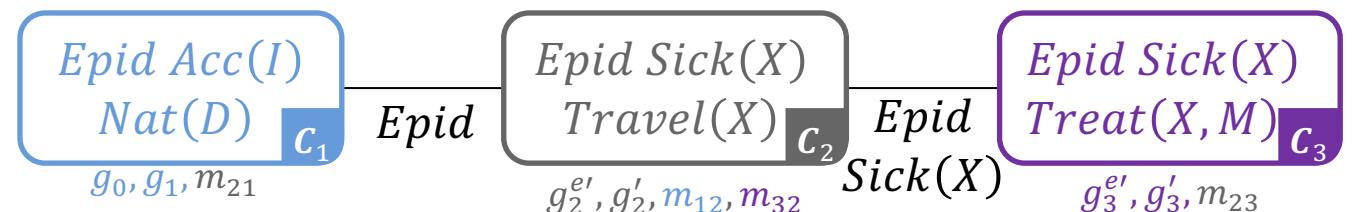
# Evidence in FO Jtrees: Example

- Given  $Sick(eve) = true$  as evidence  $g_e$ 
  - In  $C_2$ 
    - Shatter  $G_2 = \{g_2\}$  on  $Sick(eve)$ , yielding  $\{g_2^e, g_2'\}$
    - Absorb  $g_e$  in  $g_2^e$ , yielding  $g_2^{e'}$
    - Result:  $G_2 = \{g_2^{e'}, g_2'\}$
  - In  $C_3$ 
    - Shatter  $G_3 = \{g_3\}$  on  $Sick(eve)$ , yielding  $\{g_3^e, g_3'\}$
    - Absorb  $g_e$  in  $g_3^e$ , yielding  $g_3^{e'}$
    - Result:  $G_3 = \{g_3^{e'}, g_3'\}$
- After evidence handling, send messages based on the local models that have absorbed the evidence
  - $G_0 = \{g_0, g_1\}$  (unchanged)
  - $G_2 = \{g_2^{e'}, g_2'\}$
  - $G_3 = \{g_3^{e'}, g_3'\}$



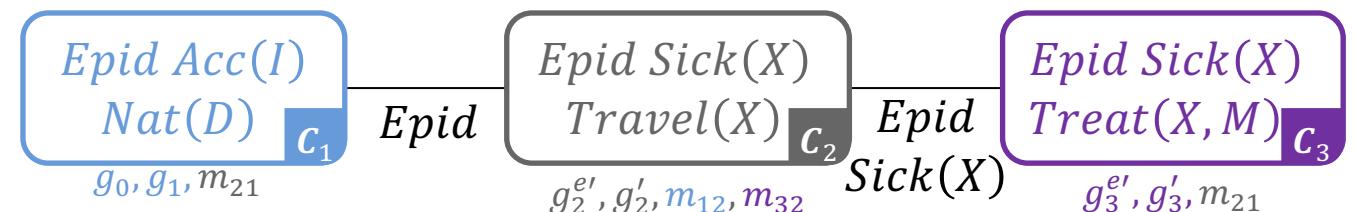
# Evidence in FO Jtrees

- E.g., given  $Sick(eve) = true$  as evidence in  $g_e$ 
  - Message  $m_{12}$  does not change compared to previous example
  - Message  $m_{32}$  calculated based on  $\{g_3^{e'}, g_3'\}$ 
    - Call LVE-MSG( $\{g_3^{e'}, g_3'\}$ ,  $\{Epid, Sick(X)\}$ ,  $\emptyset$ ), yielding  $\{g_3^{e''}, g_3''\}$
  - Message  $m_{23}$  calculated based on  $\{g_2^{e'}, g_2'\} \cup m_{12}$ 
    - Call LVE-MSG( $\{g_2^{e'}, g_2', g_1'\}$ ,  $\{Epid, Sick(X)\}$ ,  $\emptyset$ ), yielding  $\{g_2^{e''}, g_2'', g_1'\}$
  - Message  $m_{21}$  calculated based on  $\{g_2^{e'}, g_2'\} \cup m_{32}$ 
    - Call LVE-MSG( $\{g_2^{e'}, g_2', g_3^{e''}, g_3''\}$ ,  $\{Epid\}$ ,  $\emptyset$ ), yielding  $\{g_2^{e''}, g_2'', g_3^{e''}, g_3'''\}$



# Evidence and Queries in FO Jtrees

- After evidence handling
  - All queries are answered in an FO jtree with handled evidence  $\{g_e\}_{e=1}^m$  yield results conditional on  $\{g_e\}_{e=1}^m$
  - So, given evidence  $\{g_e\}_{e=1}^m$  and query terms  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^n$  for a model  $G$ 
    - The posed queries are  $P(Q_i | \{g_e\}_{e=1}^m), 1 \leq i \leq n$ , w.r.t.  $P_G$
- FO jtree constructed without specific evidence
  - Reuse for different evidence sets
    - As long as model stays the same
  - Reset the local models before entering new evidence



# LJT: Algorithm

**LJT**( $G, \{Q_i\}_{i=1}^n, \{g_e\}_{e=1}^m$ )

Construct an FO jtree  $J$  for  $G$

Enter evidence  $\{g_e\}_{e=1}^m$  into  $J$

Pass message in  $J$

Answer queries with query terms  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^n$  in  $J$

- Look for blue boxes on the previous slides to find the descriptions of each step

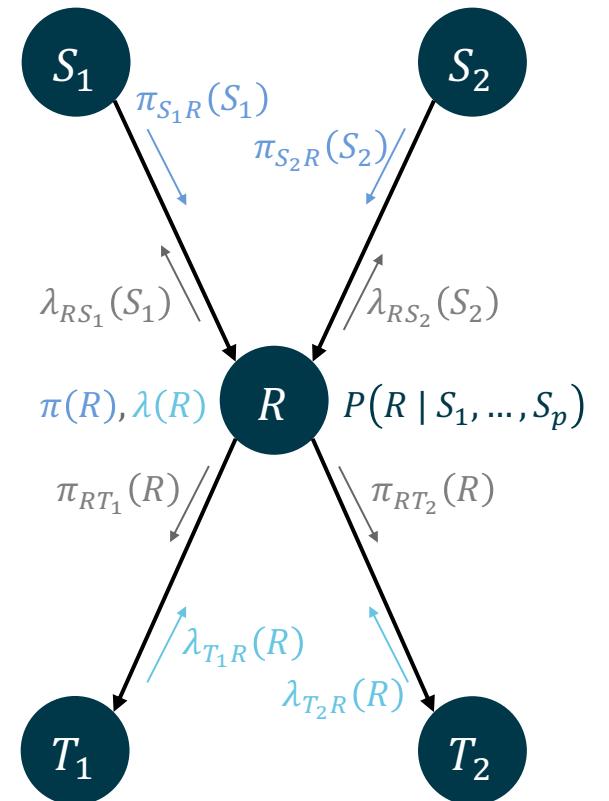
Step Name

- *Constant* overhead for FO jtree construction
- *Payoff* if given multiple queries



# Foundations of Clustering

- History in propositional probabilistic inference:
  - Based on **probability propagation** introduced by Pearl (1988)
    - If a BN is a **polytree**, i.e., the underlying undirected graph has no trivial cycles, then
      - Treat each node in a BN as a cluster with the random variables of the accompanying conditional probability table as the cluster random variables
      - Send messages along the edges (to parents and children), eliminating random variables not occurring in the parent or child nodes



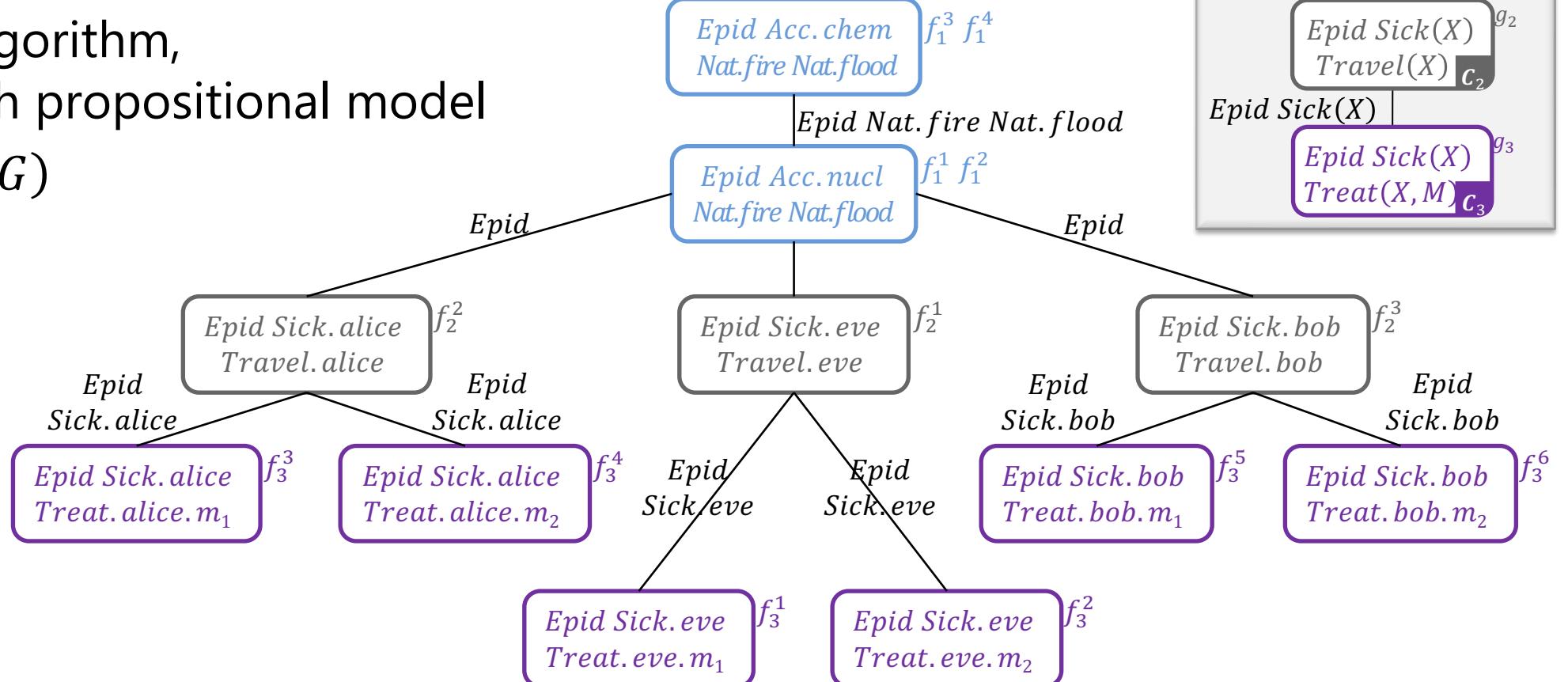
# Foundations of Clustering

- History in propositional probabilistic inference:
  - If no polytree, the cycles mess up the message passing along the edges (information arrives multiple times)
    - Send messages nonetheless (exact if polytree, approximate otherwise): called **belief propagation** as an algorithm for *approximate* inference
    - Exact inference required → put the cycles into one cluster
    - Graph formed called a junction tree (**jtree**)
      - A first-order version of a jtree was induced on the previous slides
      - Also known as *clique tree* (since the cycles often form cliques in the model graph) or join tree
      - Propositional version introduced by Lauritzen and Spiegelhalter (1988)
      - Shenoy and Shafer (1989) introduce three axioms of *local computations* to show correctness of doing computations locally



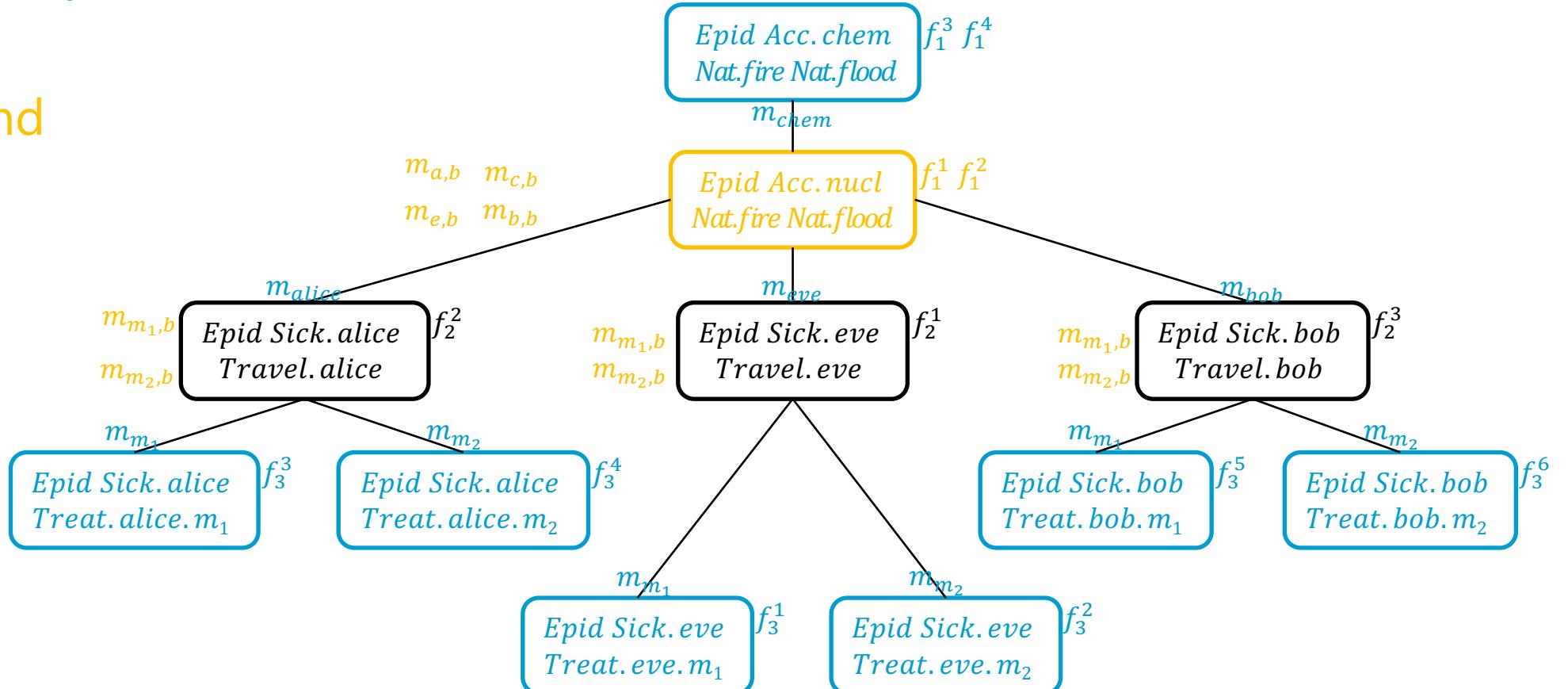
# Comparison to Ground Inference

- Propositional Junction Tree Algorithm (JT)
  - Same algorithm,  
only with propositional model
  - E.g.,  $gr(G)$



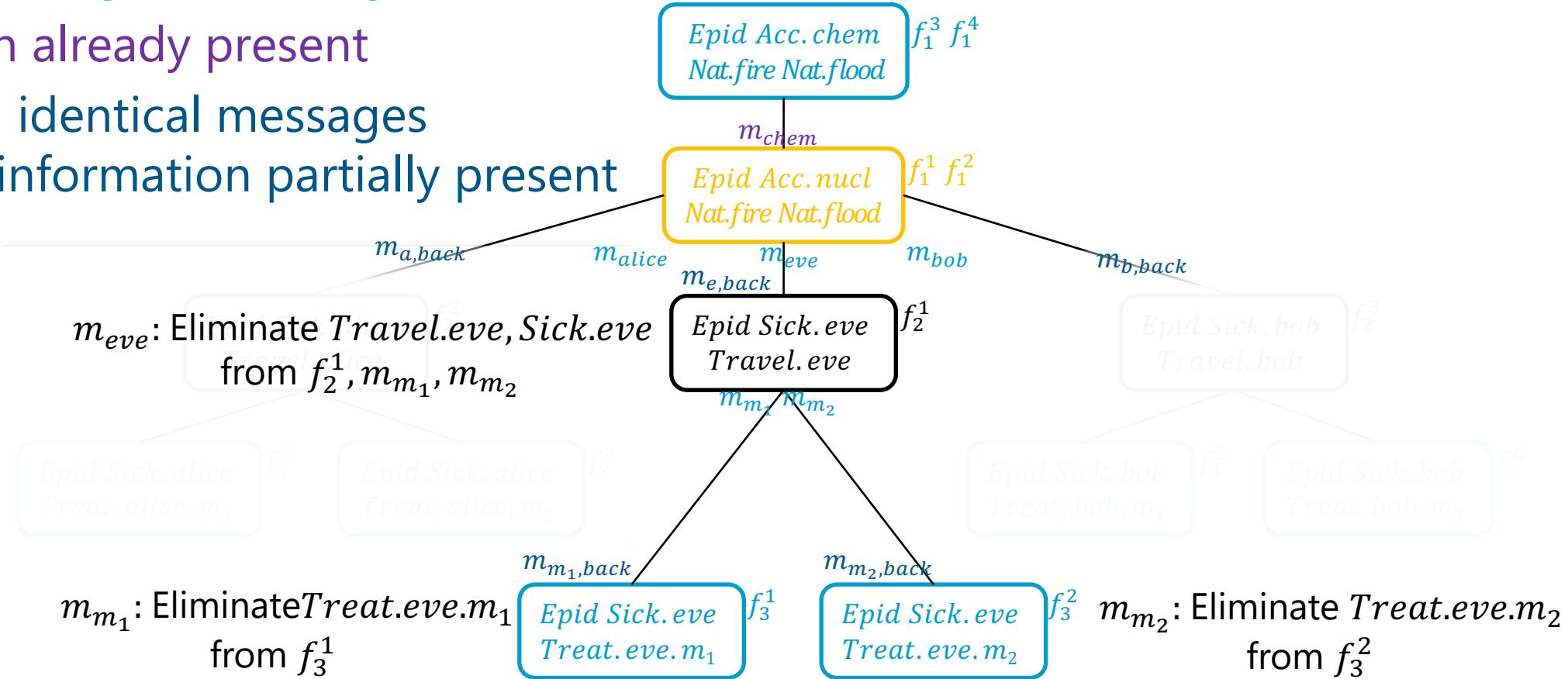
# Junction Tree: Messages

- From **periphery** to **centre** and back
  - Inbound
  - Outbound



# Junction Tree: Symmetry → Inefficiency

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

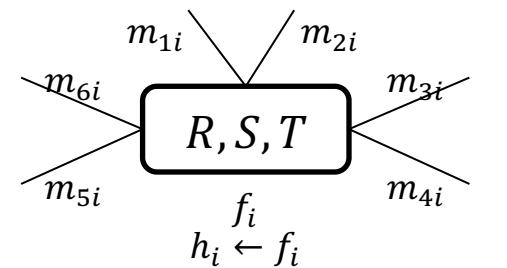


# Message Calculation Strategies

There is also a lifted version of Hugin using a lifted division operator  
[Hoffmann et al., 2022]

- Strategy used so far: so-called **Shafer-Shenoy architecture** [Shafer and Shenoy, 1989]
  - Disadvantage: many operations (multiplications) duplicated
    - Especially in (FO) jtrees with high degree
      - Even if only one factor per parcluster and message
      - Example right: for each outgoing message, only one incoming message changes
- Alternative: **Hugin architecture** [Jensen et al., 1989]
  - Hugin factor  $h_i = \phi_i(\mathcal{C}_i)$  per parcluster  $\mathcal{C}_i$  as a product of  $G_i$
  - Incoming messages  $m_{ji}$  multiplied into  $h_i$  (and stored):  $h_i \leftarrow h_i \cdot m_{ji}$
  - When calculating message  $m_{ij}$  back:  $VE-JT(f_i / m_{ji}, S_{ij}, \emptyset, \dots)$ 
    - Divide  $h_i$  by message  $m_{ji}$ , then sum out non-separators
      - One multiplication and one division instead of multiple multiplications

$$\begin{aligned}m_{i1} &\leftarrow VE-JT(\{f_i, m_{2i}, m_{3i}, m_{4i}, m_{5i}, m_{6i}\}, \dots) \\m_{i2} &\leftarrow VE-JT(\{f_i, m_{1i}, m_{3i}, m_{4i}, m_{5i}, m_{6i}\}, \dots) \\m_{i3} &\leftarrow VE-JT(\{f_i, m_{1i}, m_{2i}, m_{4i}, m_{5i}, m_{6i}\}, \dots) \\m_{i4} &\leftarrow VE-JT(\{f_i, m_{1i}, m_{2i}, m_{3i}, m_{5i}, m_{6i}\}, \dots) \\m_{i5} &\leftarrow VE-JT(\{f_i, m_{1i}, m_{2i}, m_{3i}, m_{4i}, m_{6i}\}, \dots) \\m_{i6} &\leftarrow VE-JT(\{f_i, m_{1i}, m_{2i}, m_{3i}, m_{4i}, m_{5i}\}, \dots)\end{aligned}$$



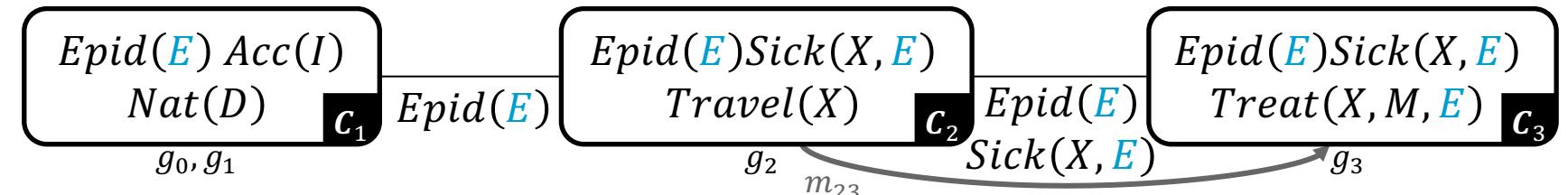
$$\begin{array}{ll}h_i \leftarrow h_i \cdot m_{1i} & h_i / m_{1i} \rightarrow VE-JT \\h_i \leftarrow h_i \cdot m_{2i} & h_i / m_{2i} \rightarrow VE-JT \\h_i \leftarrow h_i \cdot m_{3i} & h_i / m_{3i} \rightarrow VE-JT \\h_i \leftarrow h_i \cdot m_{4i} & h_i / m_{4i} \rightarrow VE-JT \\h_i \leftarrow h_i \cdot m_{5i} & h_i / m_{5i} \rightarrow VE-JT \\h_i \leftarrow h_i \cdot m_{6i} & h_i / m_{6i} \rightarrow VE-JT\end{array}$$

# In terms of Lifting: Is it that simple?

- Algorithm-induced **groundings** due to message passing
  - For message calculation, non-separator PRVs are eliminated
    - Separator as the query terms containing *logical variables*
  - Non-separator PRVs have to fulfil sum-out preconditions
    - Preconditions 1 + 3 fulfilled by construction
    - May be that Precondition 2 is not fulfilled* → can cause groundings
  - E.g., logical variable  $E$  added to PRVs  $Epid, Sick(X), Treat(X, M)$ 
    - When calculating  $m_{23}$ , one has to eliminate  $Travel(X)$ 
      - But: does not contain both  $X$  and  $E$ , count conversion does not apply ( $E$  occurs in two PRVs) → **ground  $E$**

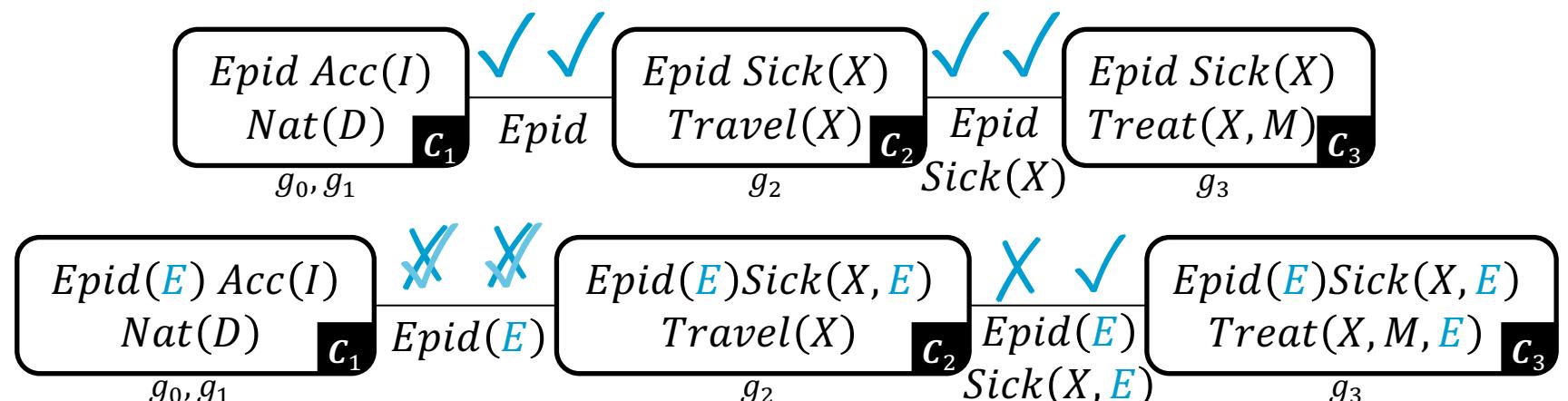
Preconditions:

- $\forall B \in rv(G \setminus \{g\}) : gr(B|c) \cap gr(A_{i|(X,C_X)}) = \emptyset$
- $\forall X \in \{X \mid |\pi_X(C_X)| > 1\} : X \in lv(A_i)$
- $X^{excl} = lv(A_i) \setminus (X \setminus lv(A_i))$  count-normalised w.r.t.



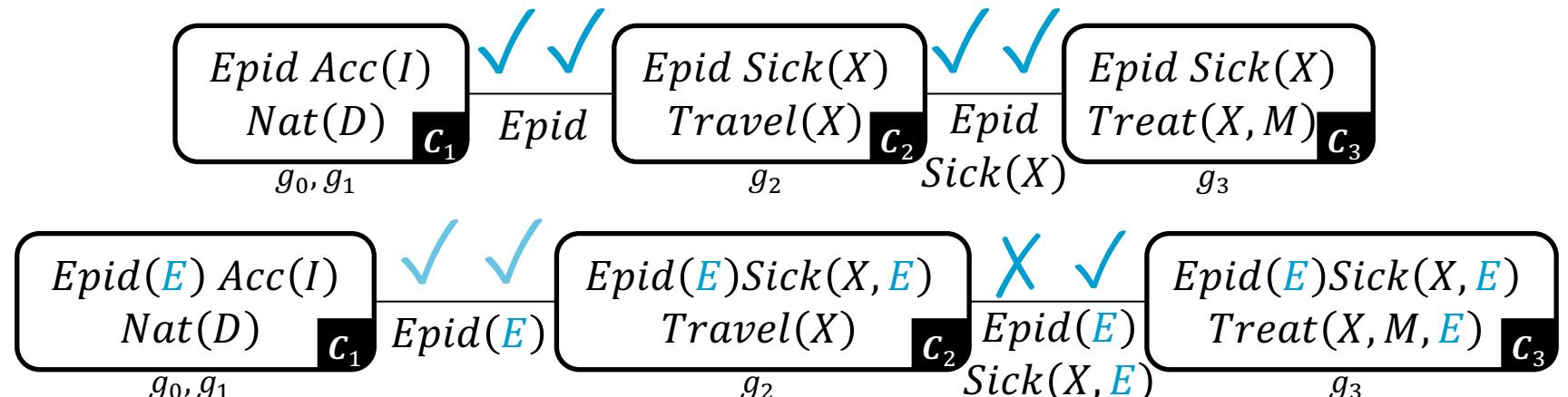
# Conditions on Groundings

- For a lifted calculation of message  $m_{ij}$ , it necessarily has to hold that
  - for each PRV  $A \in (\mathcal{C}_i \setminus \mathcal{S}_{ij})$ , i.e.,  $A$  has to be eliminated:
    - for each separator PRV  $S \in \mathcal{S}_{ij} : lv(S) \subseteq lv(A)$  (Cond. 1)
- If Cond. 1 does not hold, i.e.,  $lv(S) \not\subseteq lv(A)$ , one may induce Cond. 1 by count conversion
  - If  $lv(S) \setminus lv(A)$  are countable in  $G_{ij}$  (Cond. 2)



# Conditions on Groundings

- Problem with Cond. 1 induced using count conversions on logical variables  $lv(S) \setminus lv(A)$ :
  - Logical variables that were previously not counted are now counted
  - All receiving parclusters need to be able to handle counted versions, which needs to be checked
    - If newly counted logical variable arrives at parcluster  $C_k$ , it does not directly lead to groundings in  $G_k$  as well (Cond. 3)
      - For further calculations, since they refer to the same set of randvars, they have to occur in the same form, i.e., at one point the logical variable has to be counted in  $G_k$  as well

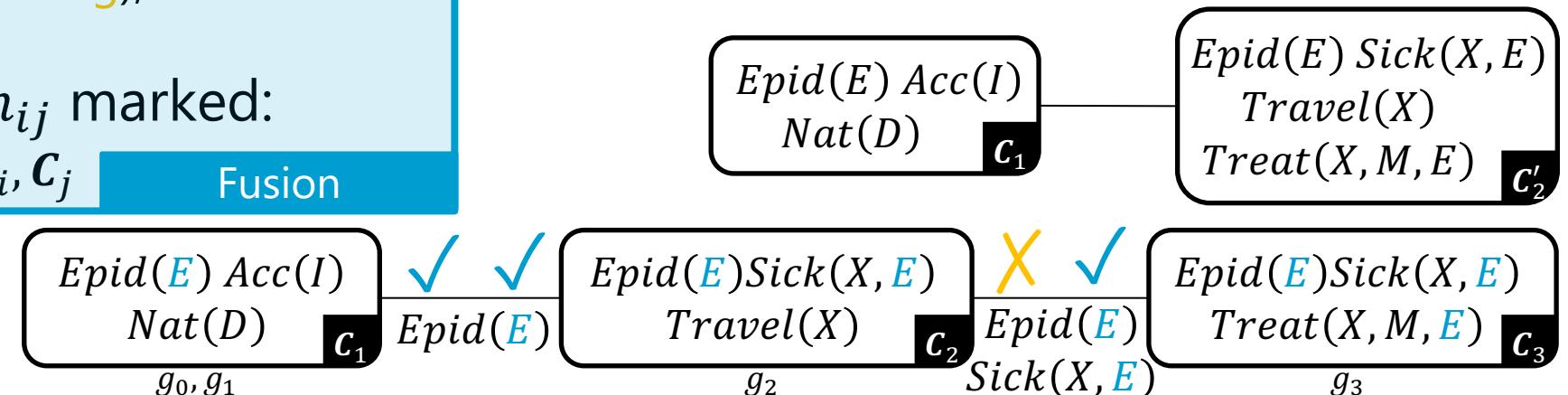


# Fusion

- Test each message  $m_{ij}$  for each PRV  $A$  to eliminate and each separator PRV  $S$ 
  - If Cond. 1 holds: continue (no groundings)
  - Else if Cond. 2 and Cond. 3 holds: continue
  - Else: mark  $m_{ij}$  (**grounding**); continue with next  $m_{ij}$
- For each message  $m_{ij}$  marked:
  - Merge parclusters  $C_i, C_j$

Fusion

- Fusion an additional step after construction to guarantee lifted calculations for liftable models
- E.g., testing marks  $m_{23}$   
→ merge  $C_2, C_3$  (as in minimisation)



# LJT: Complexity

- Uses also the notion of lifted width  $w_T = (w_g, w_{\#})$ 
  - $w_g$  largest ground width
  - $w_{\#}$  largest counting width
  - As FO jtree constructed from FO dtree,  $w_T$  identical between LVE and LJT
    - Fusion may change  $w_T$  in terms of the FO jtree
      - But in terms of the LVE calculations in the merged parcluster,  $w_T$  is still the same with multiple nodes being combined into one
      - For simplicity, let us consider models that all fulfil Cond. 1 in fusion such that  $w_T$  is identical for both LJT and LVE

# LJT: Complexity

- LJT complexity based on complexity of LVE:  
 $O(n_T \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_\#})$
- Complexity of individual steps
  - Construction: linear in number of nodes, no calculations; negligible compared to later steps
  - Evidence entering:  $O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_\#})$ 
    - Absorbing evidence complexity:  $O(\log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g-1} \cdot n^{r_w w_\#})$ 
      - Visits  $\frac{1}{r} \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_\#}$  lines, possibly exponentiates the potentials
    - At each node  $\rightarrow n_J \cdot O(\log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g-1} \cdot n^{r_w w_\#})$ 
      - $n_J$  number of nodes in FO jtree  $J$
    - For each  $e$  evidence parfactors  $\rightarrow e \cdot O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g-1} \cdot n^{r_w w_\#})$ 
      - Assuming  $e \ll n_J \rightarrow O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g-1} \cdot n^{r_w w_\#})$
    - First two steps accumulated:  $O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g-1} \cdot n^{r_w w_\#})$



# LJT: Complexity

- Complexity of individual steps
  - First two steps accumulated:  $O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g-1} \cdot n^{r_w w_g})$
  - Message passing:  $O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_g})$ 
    - Calculating one message = answering one query on a parcluster
      - Worst-case parfactor size at parcluster:  $r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_g}$
      - Elimination of  $|C_i \setminus S_{ij}|$  PRVs goes through each line, potentials may be exponentiated  
 $\rightarrow O(\log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_g})$
    - Two messages per edge,  $n_J - 1$  edges in  $J \rightarrow n_J \cdot O(\log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_g})$
  - Query answering:  $O(m \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_g})$ 
    - Each query answered in one parcluster  $\rightarrow O(\log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_g})$
    - With  $m$  query terms  $\rightarrow m \cdot O(\log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_g})$
- All four steps accumulated:

$$O((n_J + m) \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_w w_g})$$



# Comparison to LVE

- LVE complexity of one query = LJT complexity of message passing
  - $O(n_T \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{wg} \cdot n^{r\#w\#})$  vs.  $O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{wg} \cdot n^{r\#w\#})$
  - Actual number of calculations:
    - In LVE:  $c_{LVE}$
    - For message pass:  $2 \cdot c_{LVE}$
- For  $m$  queries
  - LVE:  $O(m \cdot n_T \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{wg} \cdot n^{r\#w\#})$
  - LJT:  $O((n_J + m) \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{wg} \cdot n^{r\#w\#})$
  - Difference in  $m \cdot n_T$  vs.  $(n_J + m)$ 
    - LVE has complexity of  $O(n_T \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{wg} \cdot n^{r\#w\#})$  for one query
    - LJT only complexity of  $O(\log_2(n) \cdot r^{wg} \cdot n^{r\#w\#})$  for one query

LJT only pays off if  $m > 1$ ,  
most likely, starting with  
third query (two queries in  
LVE = one message pass)

# LJT: Implementation

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- Available at:
  - <https://www.ifis.uni-luebeck.de/index.php?id=518&L=2>
  - Based on the LVE implementation by Taghipour
    - Available at:
      - <https://dtai.cs.kuleuven.be/software/gcfove>
- Includes an implementation of the propositional junction tree algorithm for comparison
- Input: BLOG files
  - Based on Bayesian Logic Programming Language
    - <https://bayesianlogic.github.io>



# Runtimes: Increasing Domain Sizes

- Example model with all domain sizes  $\in \{2, 4, \dots, 20, 30, \dots, 100, 200, \dots, 1000\}$
- No evidence
- Queries:
  - $P(Travel(x_1))$
  - $P(Sick(x_1))$
  - $P(Treat(x_1, m_1))$
  - $P(Nat(d_1))$
  - $P(Man(w_1))$
  - $P(Epid)$

- Test

- Increasing

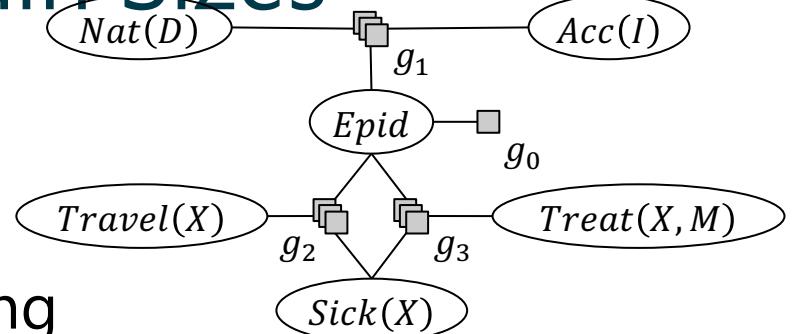
- Ground width  $w_g$
    - Default: 3

- Counting width  $w_{\#}$
    - Default: 1

- Number of nodes  $n_J$
    - Default: 3

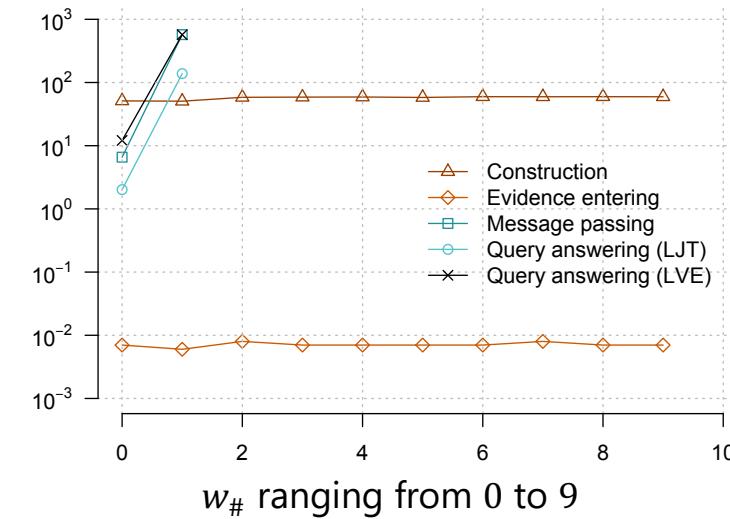
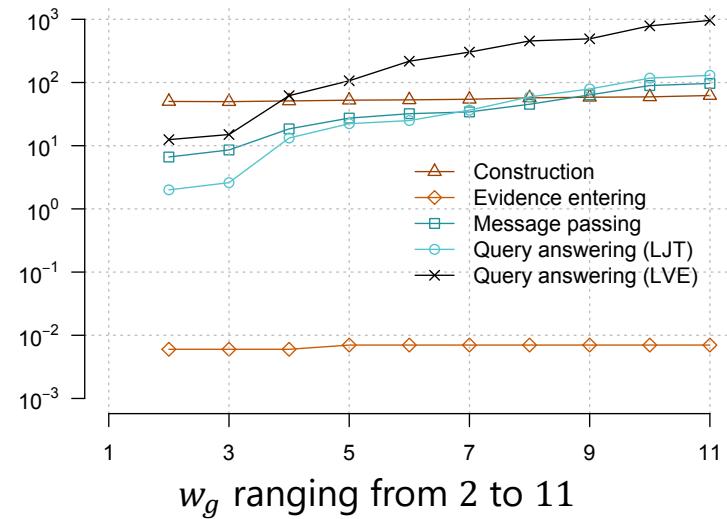
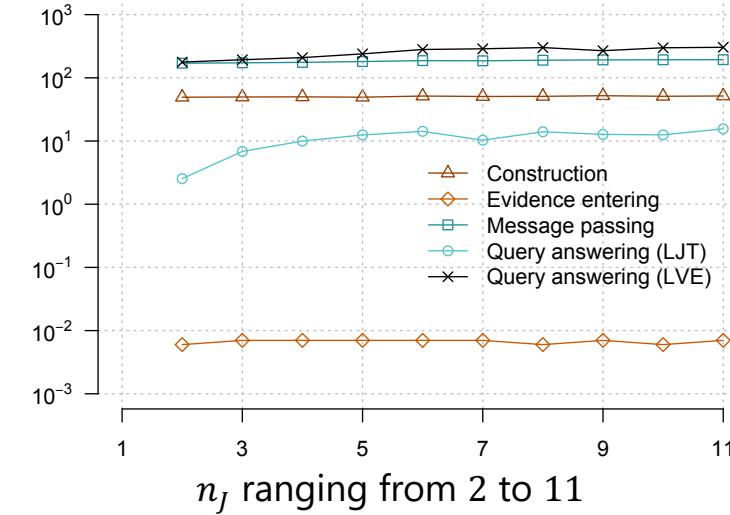
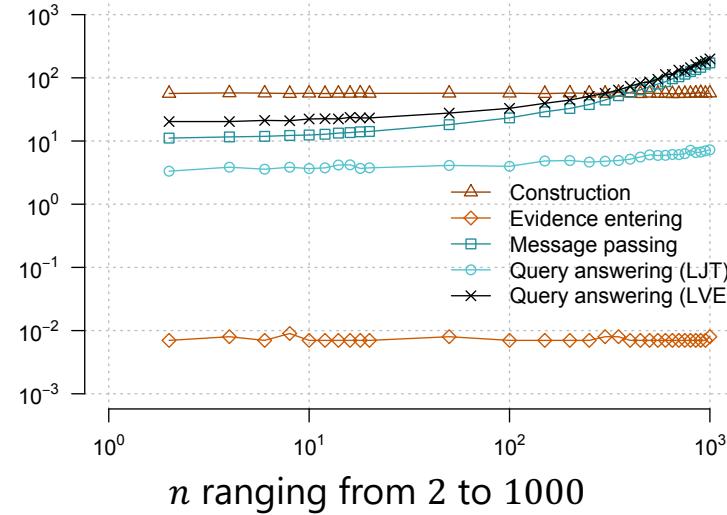
- Domain size  $n$
    - Default: 1000

- Based on  $O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r_{\#} w_{\#}})$



# Step-wise

$$O(n_J \cdot \log_2(n) \cdot r^{w_g} \cdot n^{r\# w\#})$$

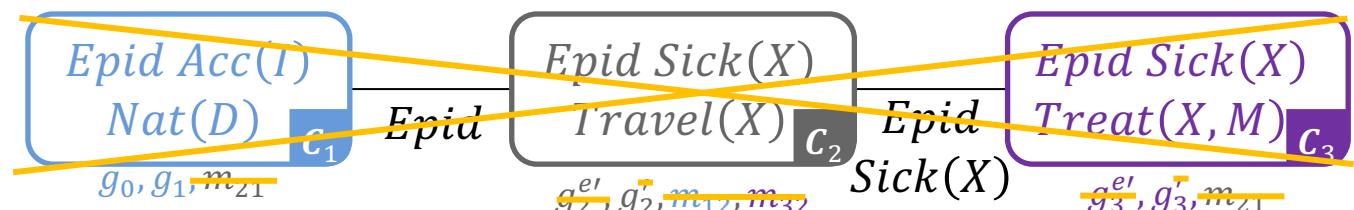
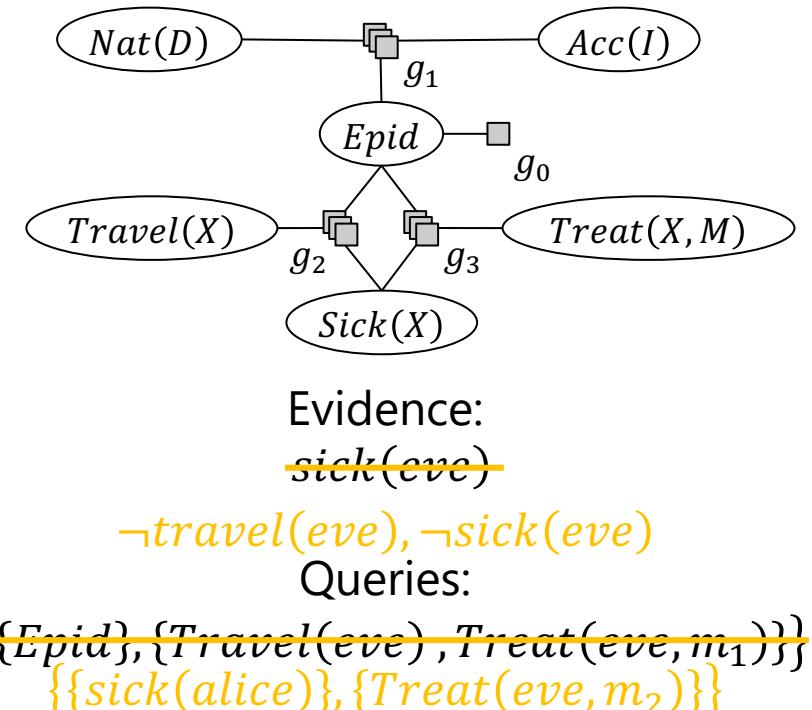


Runtimes in milliseconds  
Default:  $n = 1000, n_J = 3, w_g = 3, w\# = 1$

# Changing Inputs

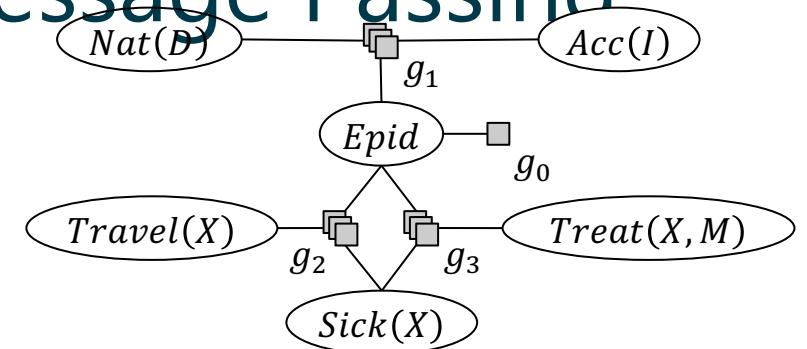
- Known as **adaptive inference**
  - Goal: do not start from scratch
- New queries  $\{Q'_i\}_{i=1}^m$ 
  - Restart query answering step: Answer queries in  $J$ 
    - JLT supports *online* query answering
      - Queries not known beforehand  $\rightarrow$  Stream of queries
- Changed evidence  $e'$ 
  - Restart with evidence handling: take original local models, handle  $e'$ , pass messages, answer queries
- Changed model  $G'$ 
  - Restart at beginning: Build new FO jtree, ...

If only local changes in  $e$  or  $G$ , proceed adaptively



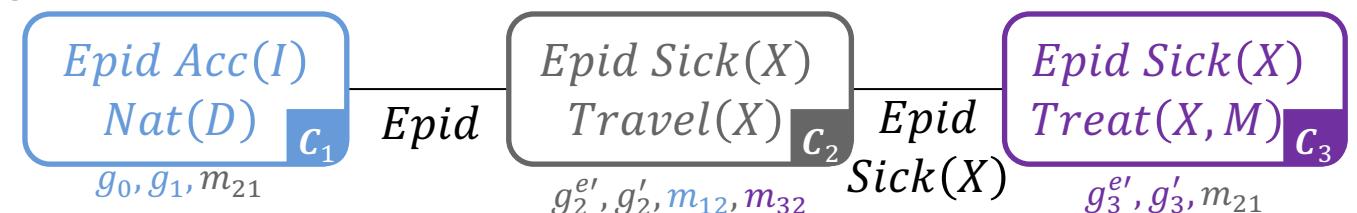
# Changing Inputs and Adaptive Message Passing

- Local changes in  $G$ 
  - Different potentials in parfactors
  - Changes in domain sizes (*special to relational modelling*)
  - Parfactors are removed or added
    - Maintain FO jtree properties!
    - Only worth it given local changes, otherwise build anew
- Local changes in  $e$ 
  - Only reset local models of parclusters covered by evidence
- Adaptive message passing
  - If changes in local model or incoming message, calculate new message
    - Otherwise: send empty message
  - **Save up to half of the messages**



Evidence:  
*sick(eve)*

Queries:  
 $\{\{Epid\}, \{Travel(eve)\}, \{Treat(eve, m_1)\}\}$



# Interim Summary

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- Motivation: Find clusters that are enough for query answering
- FO jtree: From FO dtree clusters to FO jtree parclusters
- LJT algorithm
  - Evidence handling before message passing
  - Propagation/message passing: Dynamic programming
  - Query answering: Find subgraph covering the query terms
- Runtime behaviour
  - Overhead for construction, message passing
  - Savings during query answering
  - Trade-off between those two
- Adaptive inference for local changes: adaptive message passing



# Outline: 4. Lifted Inference

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## *Exact Inference*

- i. Lifted Variable Elimination for Parfactor Models
  - Idea, operators, algorithm, complexity
- ii. Lifted Junction Tree Algorithm
  - Idea, helper structure: junction tree, algorithm
- iii. First-order Knowledge Compilation for MLNs
  - Idea, helper structure: circuit, algorithm

