Logic & Probabilistic Circuits

Representation
Reasoning
Theory

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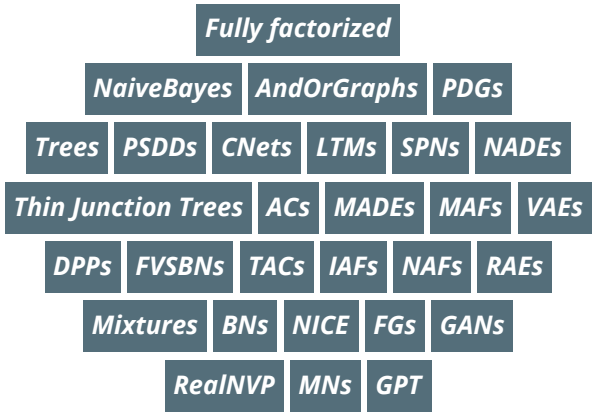
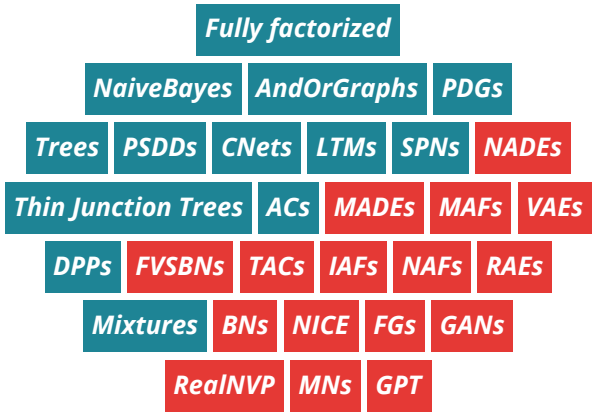
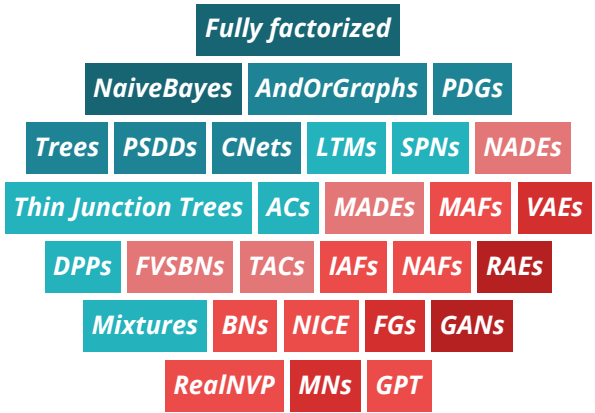


The Alphabet Soup of probabilistic models



Intractable and *tractable* models



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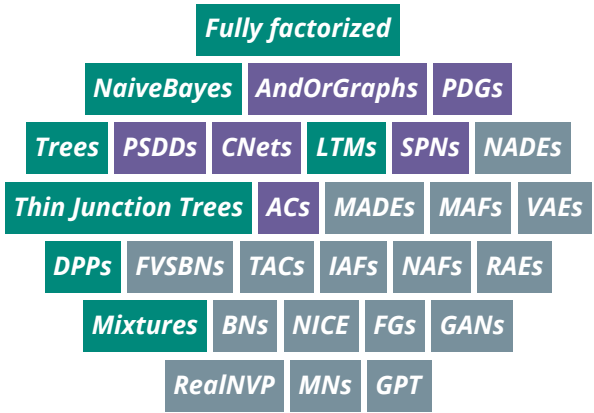

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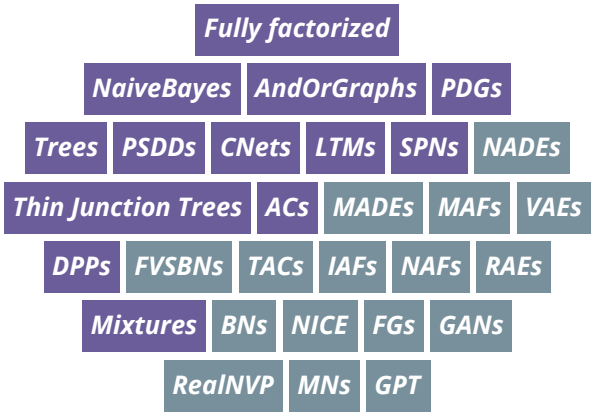

a *unifying framework* for tractable models

Why tractable inference?

or the inherent trade-off of tractability vs. expressiveness

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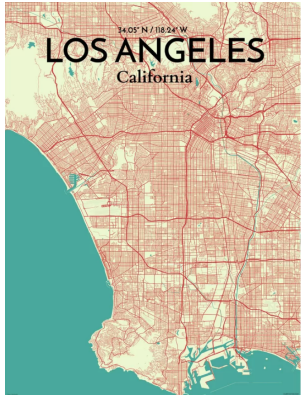

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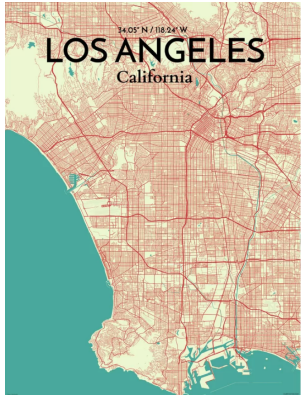

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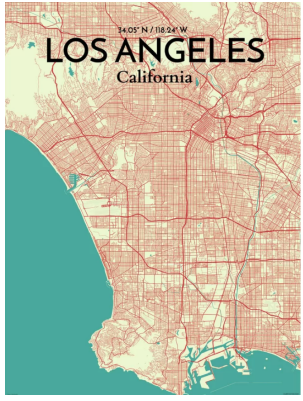

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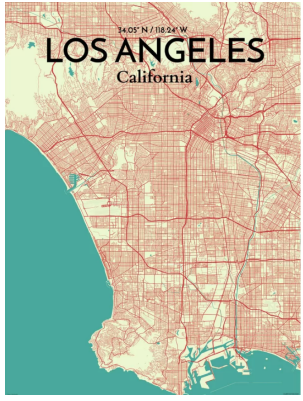

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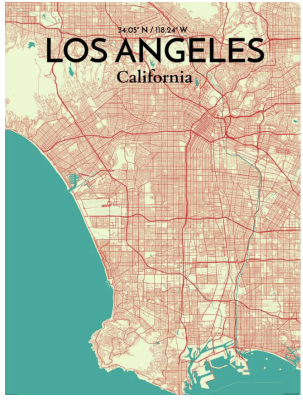
$\Rightarrow$ ***marginals + MAP + logical events***



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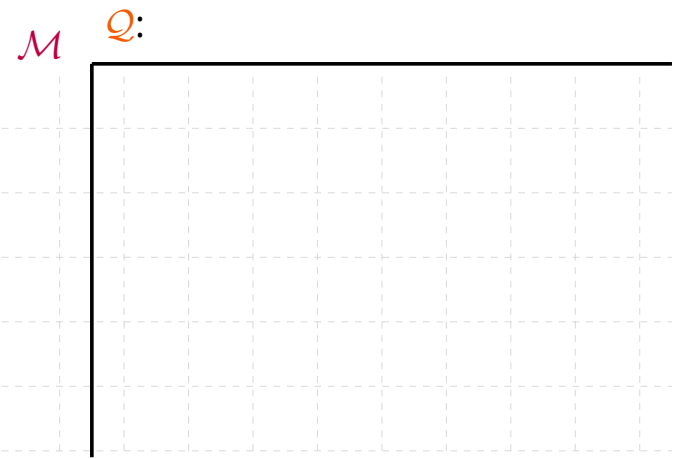

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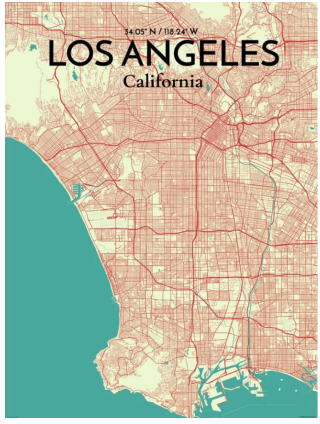

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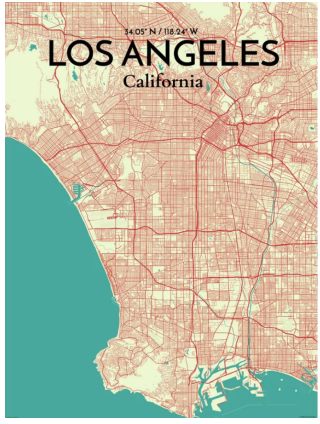

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...fundamental in ***maximum likelihood learning***

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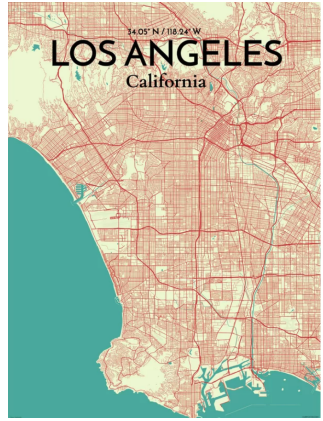

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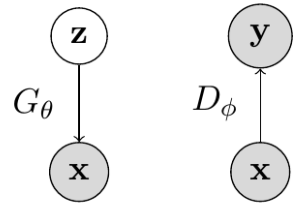

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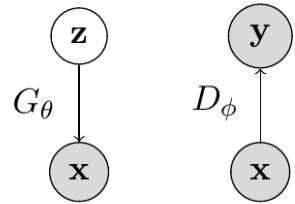
  - $\Rightarrow$ *adversarial training instead of MLE*
    - $\Rightarrow$ *no tractable EVI*
- good sample quality
  - $\Rightarrow$ *but lots of samples needed for MC*
- unstable training $\Rightarrow$ *mode collapse*



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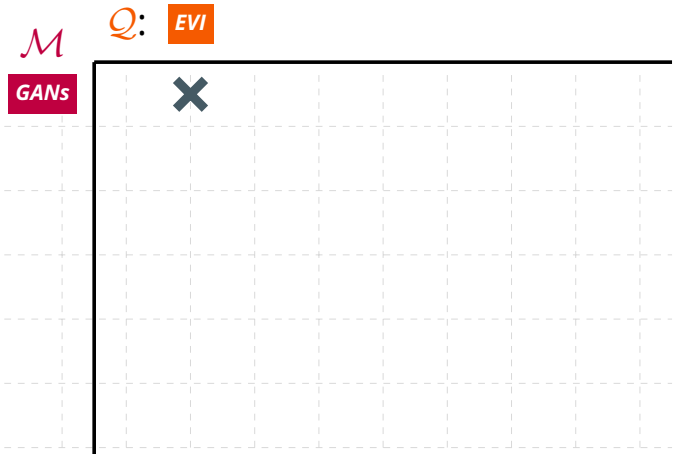

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Variational Autoencoders

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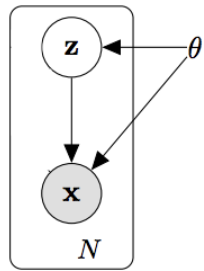

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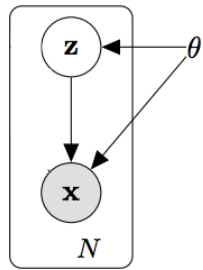
$$\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}) \geq \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z}\sim q_\phi(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})}\left[\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{z})\right] - \mathbb{KL}(q_\phi(\mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{x})||p(\mathbf{z}))$$

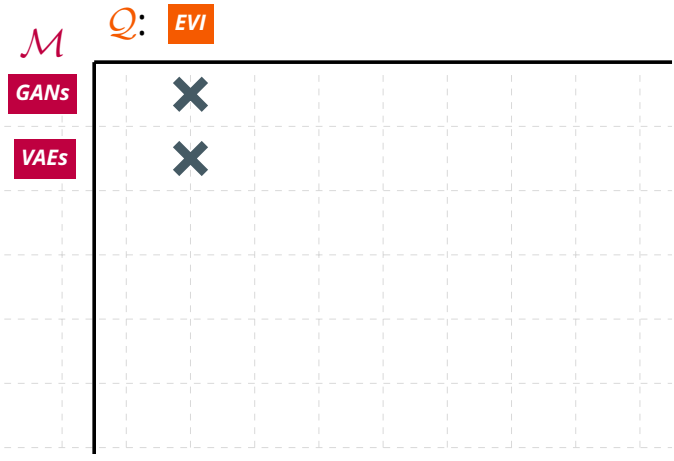
- an explicit likelihood model!
- … but computing $\log p_\theta(\mathbf{x})$ is intractable

  $\Rightarrow$ *an infinite and uncountable mixture*

  $\Rightarrow$ *no tractable EVI*
- we need to optimize the ELBO…

  $\Rightarrow$ *which is "tricky"*





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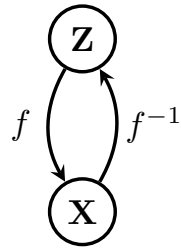

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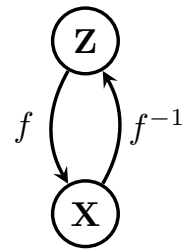

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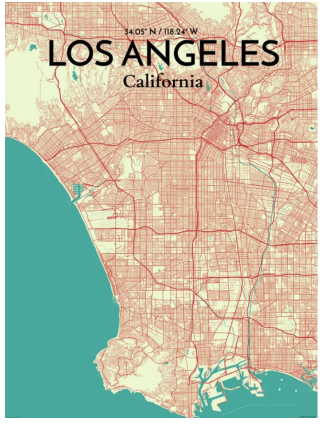

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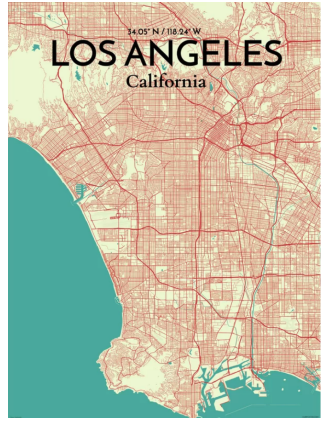

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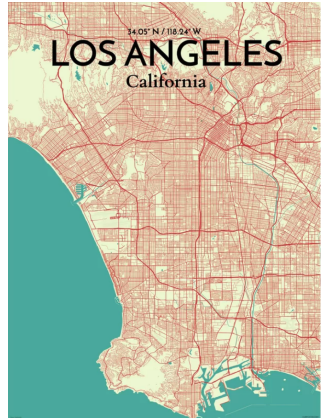

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tractable MAR $\Longrightarrow$ tractable ***conditional queries*** (CON):

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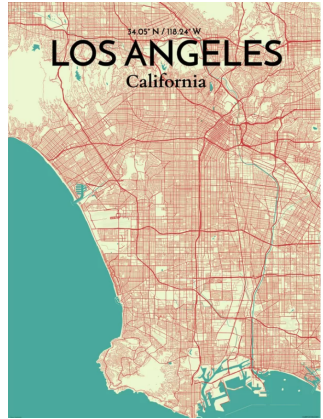
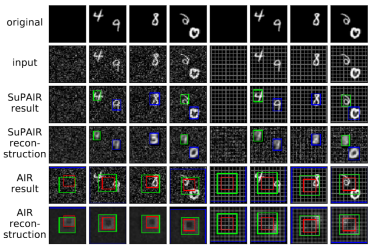
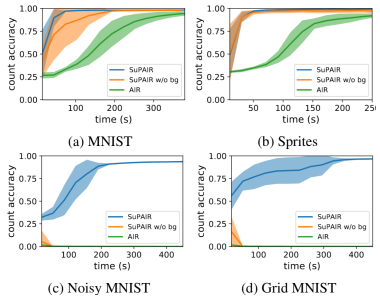


Tractable MAR : scene understanding





Fast and exact marginalization over unseen or “do not care” parts in the scene

Stelzner et al., “Faster Attend-Infer-Repeat with Tractable Probabilistic Models”, 2019
Kossen et al., “Structured Object-Aware Physics Prediction for Video Modeling and Planning”, 2019

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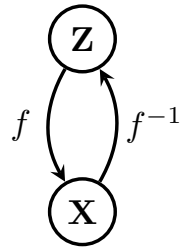

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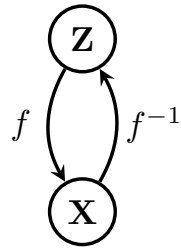

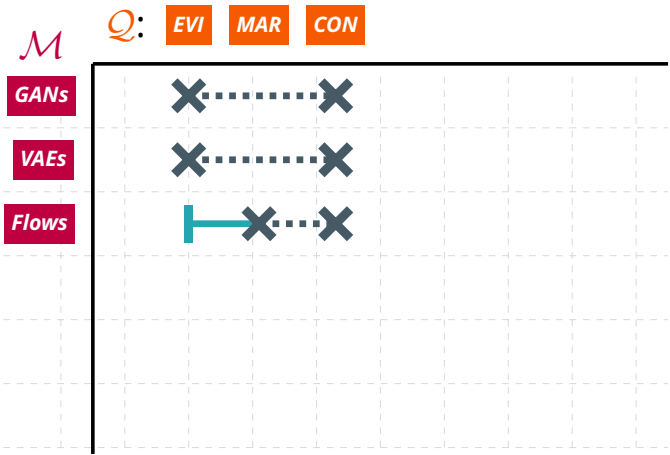

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Probabilistic Graphical Models (PGMs)

Declarative semantics: a clean separation of modeling assumptions from inference

Nodes: random variables
Edges: dependencies

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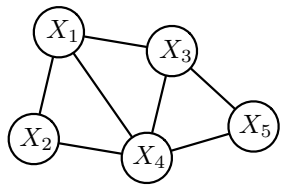


Inference:

- conditioning *(Darwiche 2001; Sang et al. 2005)*
- elimination *(Zhang et al. 1994; Dechter 1998)*
- message passing *(Yedidia et al. 2001; Dechter et al. 2002; Choi et al. 2010; Sontag et al. 2011)*

Complexity of MAR on PGMs

Exact complexity: Computing MAR and CON is *#P-hard*

$\Rightarrow$ *(Cooper 1990; Roth 1996)*

Approximation complexity: Computing MAR and CON approximately within a relative error of $2^{n^{1-\epsilon}}$ for any fixed ϵ is *NP-hard*

$\Rightarrow$ *(Dagum et al. 1993; Roth 1996)*

Treewidth!

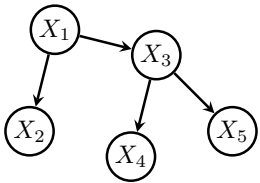
Treewidth:

Informally, how tree-like is the graphical model $\mathbf{m}$?

Fixed-parameter tractable: MAR and CON on a graphical model $\mathbf{m}$ with treewidth w take time $O(|\mathbf{X}| \cdot 2^w)$ *(Dechter 1998; Koller et al. 2009).*

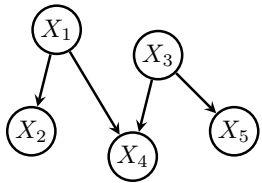
$\Longrightarrow$ *what about bounding the treewidth by design?*

Low-treewidth PGMs



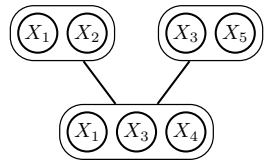
Trees

(Meilă et al. 2000)



Polytrees

(Dasgupta 1999)



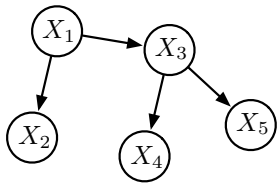
Thin Junction trees

(Bach et al. 2001)

If treewidth is bounded (e.g. $\approxeq 20$), exact MAR and CON inference is possible in practice

Tree distributions

A ***tree-structured BN*** *(Meilă et al. 2000)* where each $X_i \in \mathbf{X}$ has *at most* one parent Pa_{X_i}.

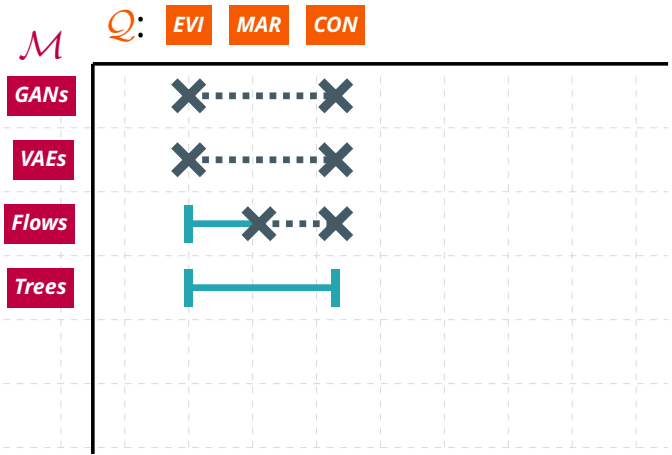


$$p(\mathbf{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i|\mathrm{Pa}_{x_i})$$

Exact querying: EVI, MAR, CON tasks *linear* for trees: $O(|\mathbf{X}|)$

Exact learning from d examples takes $O(|\mathbf{X}|^2 \cdot d)$ with the classical Chow-Liu algorithm[1]

[1] *Chow et al., "Approximating discrete probability distributions with dependence trees", 1968*



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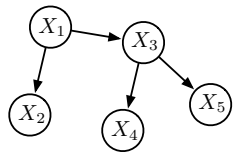
What do we lose?

Expressiveness: Ability to represent rich and complex classes of distributions



Bounded-treewidth PGMs lose the ability to represent *all possible distributions* ...

Cohen et al., "On the expressive power of deep learning: A tensor analysis", 2016
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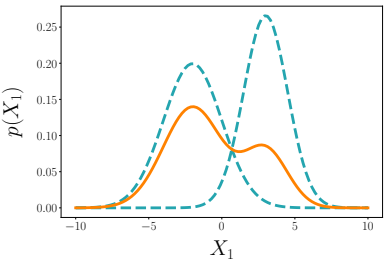

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EVI, MAR, CON queries scale linearly in k

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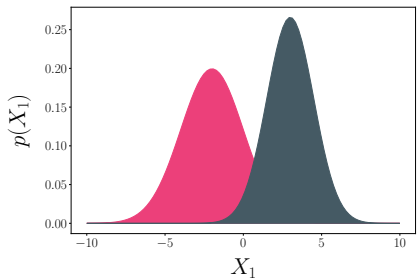

$$p(X) = p(Z = \boxed{1}) \cdot p_1(X|Z = \boxed{1}) + p(Z = \boxed{2}) \cdot p_2(X|Z = \boxed{2})$$

Mixtures are marginalizing a ***categorical latent variable*** Z with k values

$\Rightarrow$ *increased expressiveness*

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$\Rightarrow$ *but how many components does a Gaussian mixture need?*

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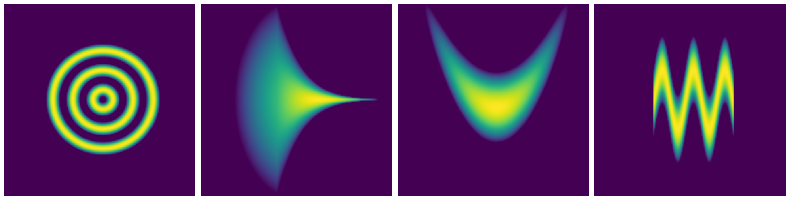

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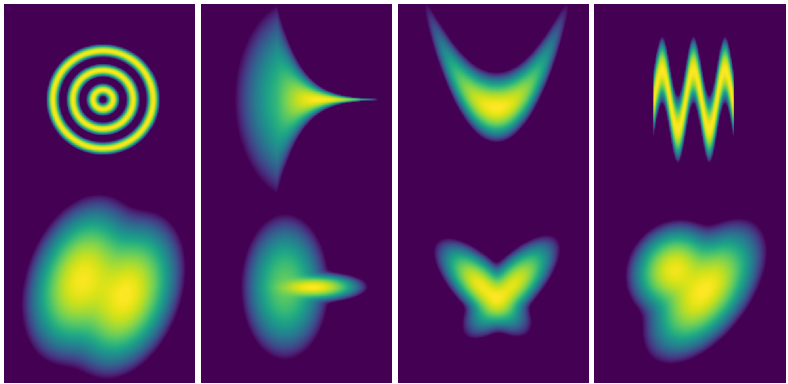

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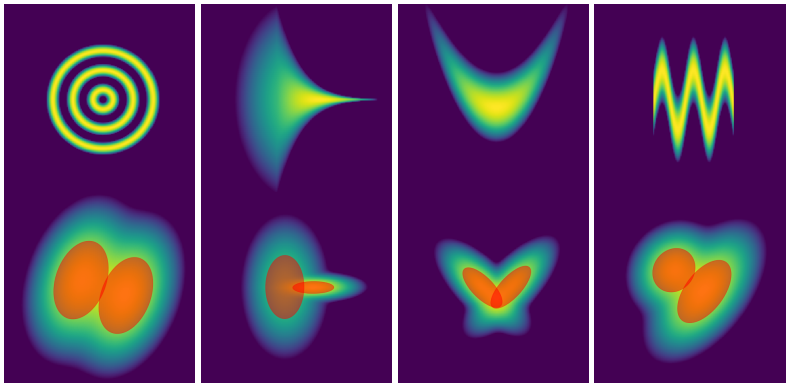

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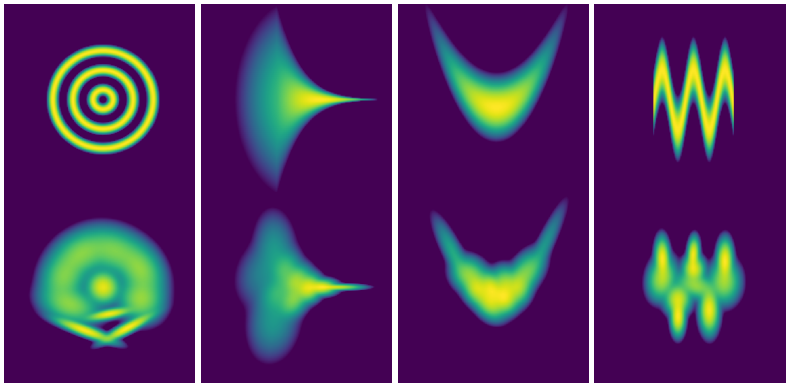

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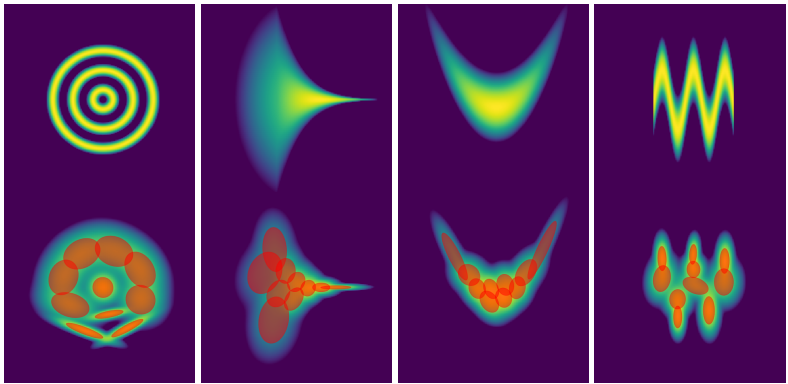

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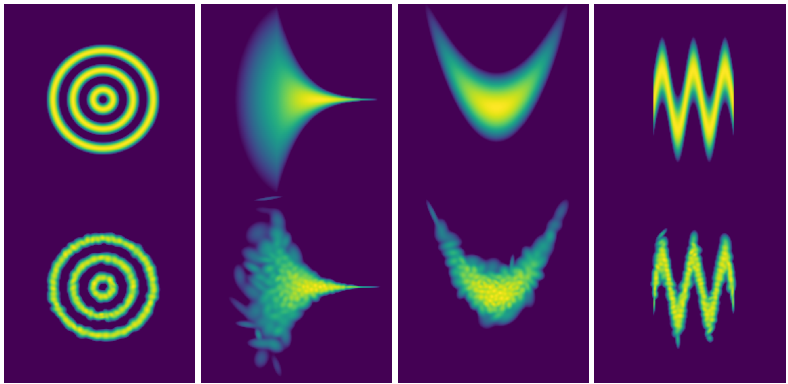

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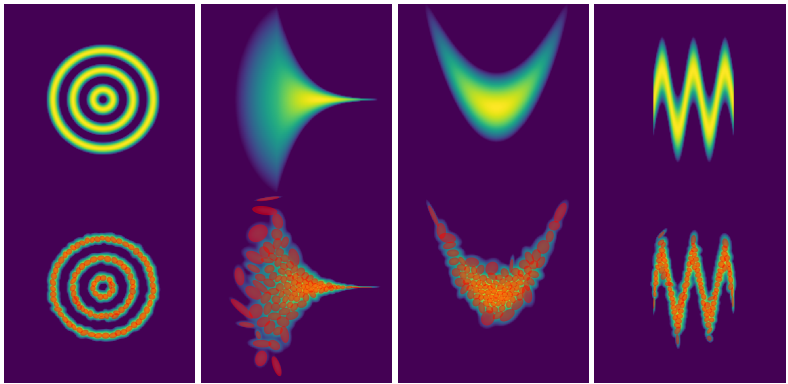

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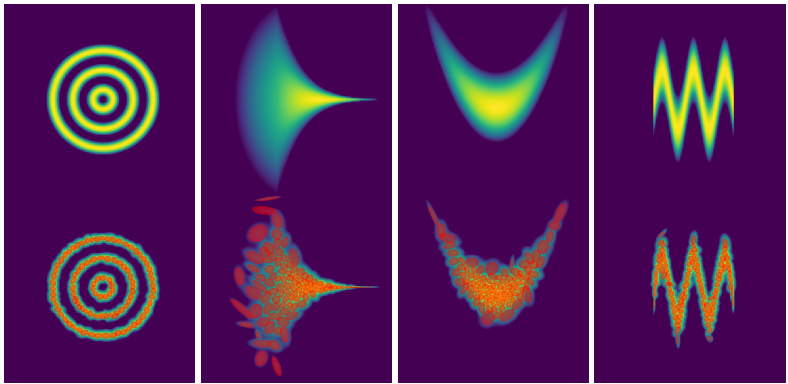
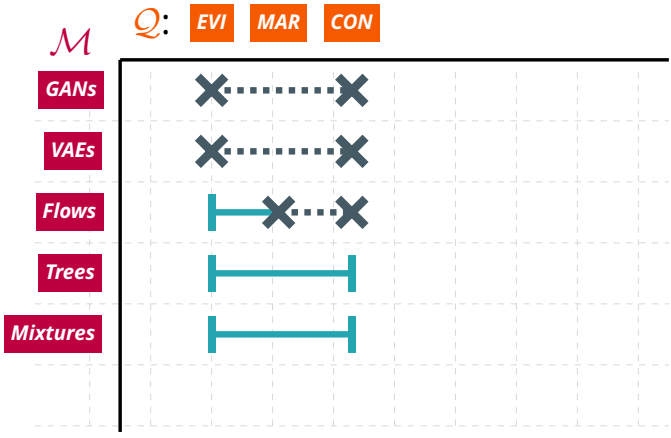


$\Rightarrow$ *solution: deep mixtures as in deep generative models*



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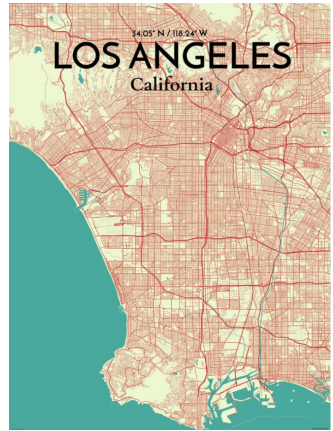

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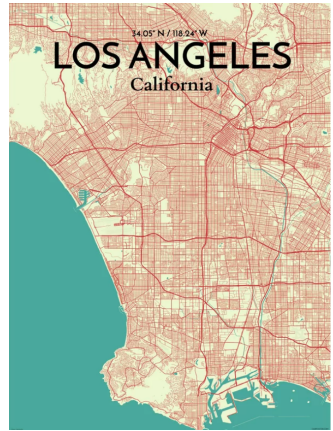

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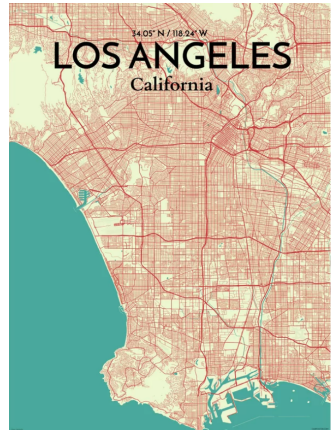

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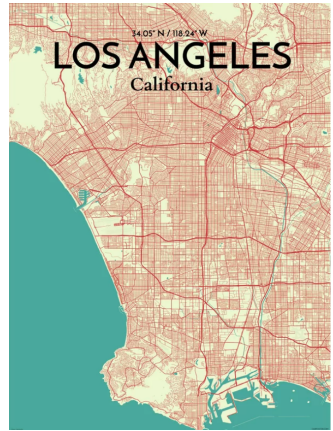
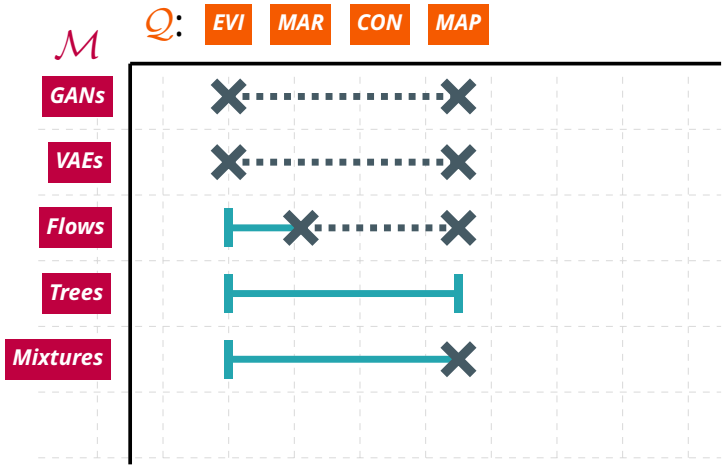


MAP inference : image inpainting

Predicting ***arbitrary patches***
given a ***single*** model
without the need of retraining.

Poon and Domingos, "Sum-Product Networks: a New Deep Architecture", 2011
Sguerra and Cozman, "Image classification using sum-product networks for autonomous flight of micro aerial vehicles", 2016



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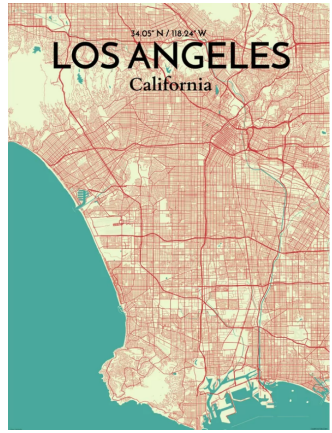

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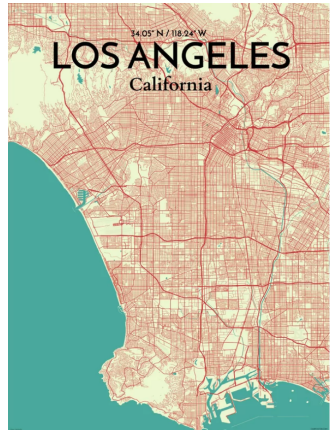

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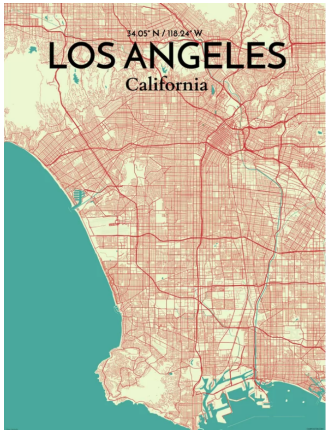

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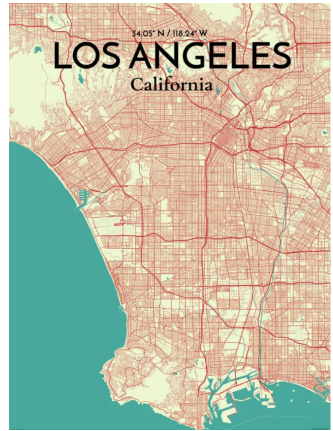
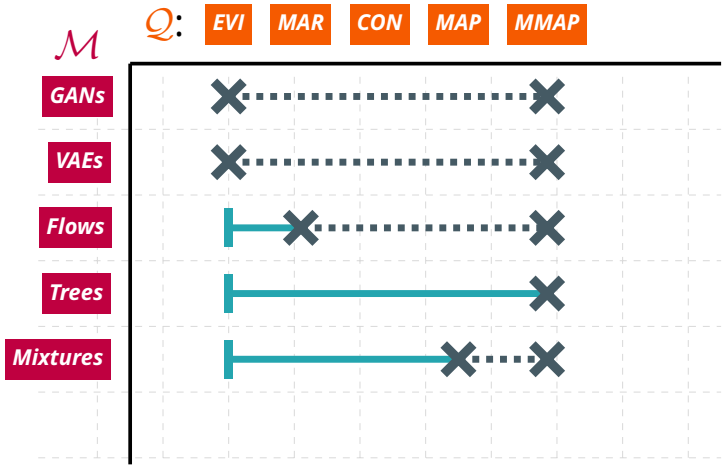
$\Rightarrow$ *NP^{PP}-complete (Park et al. 2006)*

$\Rightarrow$ *NP-hard for trees (de Campos 2011)*

$\Rightarrow$ *NP-hard even for Naive Bayes (ibid.)*





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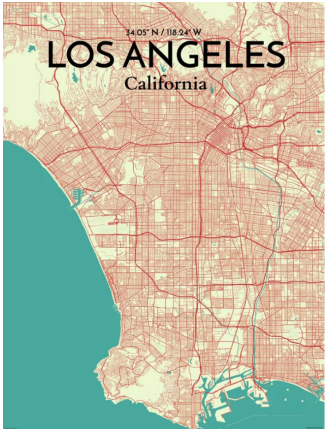

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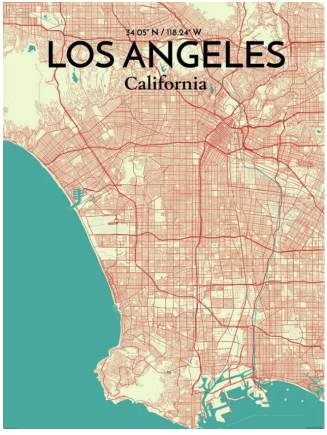

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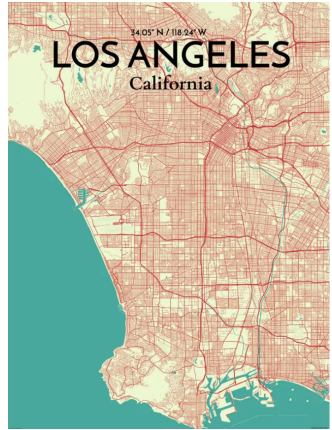

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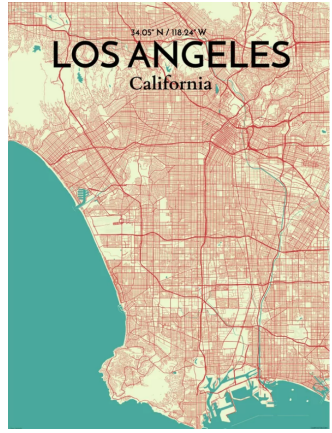

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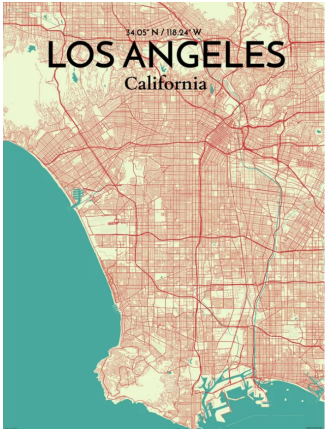

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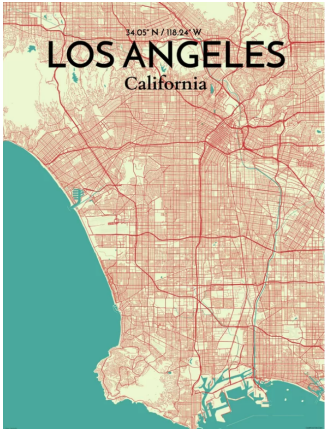

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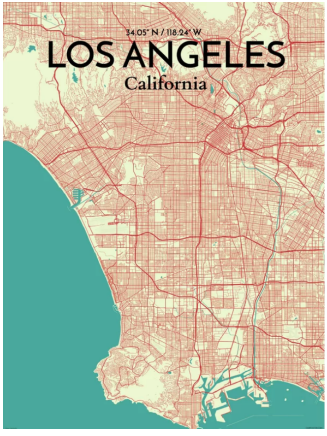

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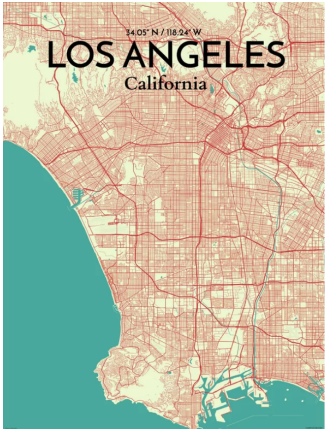

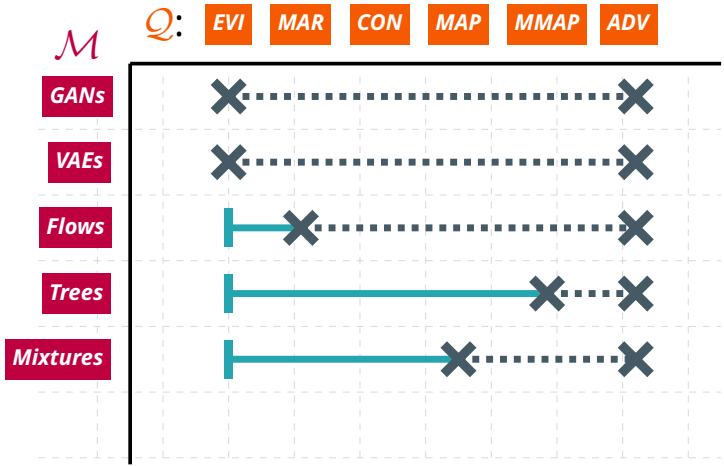

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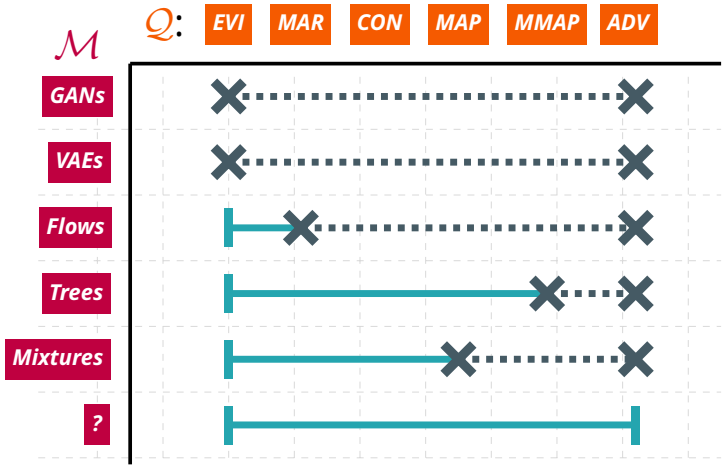

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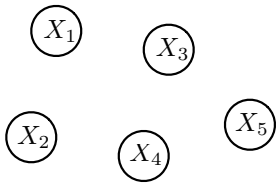
Fully factorized models

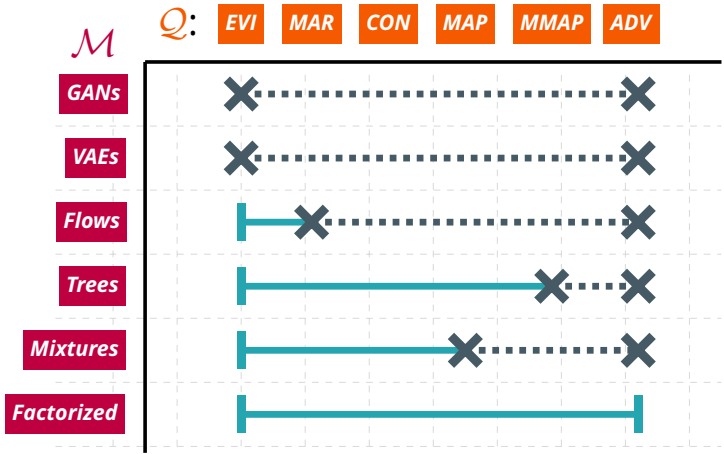
A completely disconnected graph. Example: Product of Bernoullis (PoBs)



$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i)$$

Complete evidence, marginals and MAP, MMAP inference is ***linear***!

$\Longrightarrow$ *but definitely not expressive...*



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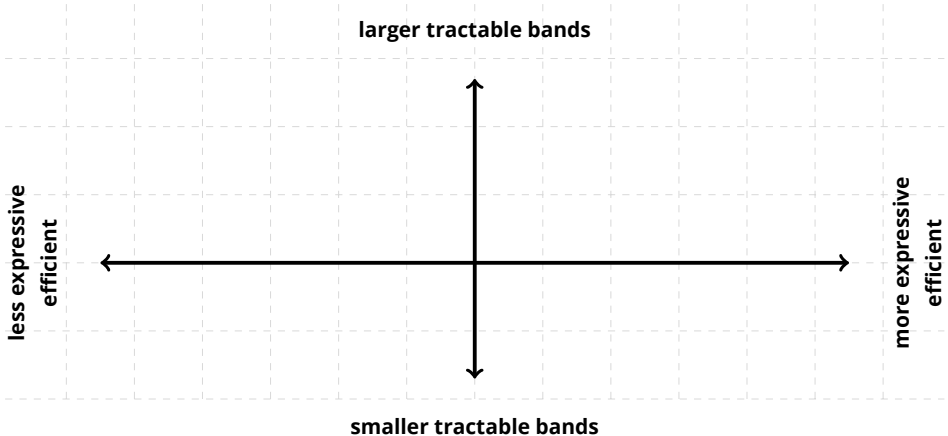
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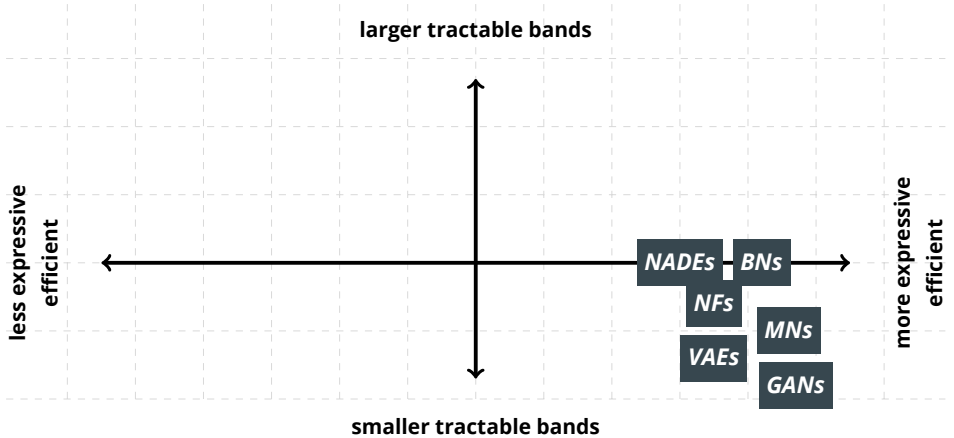

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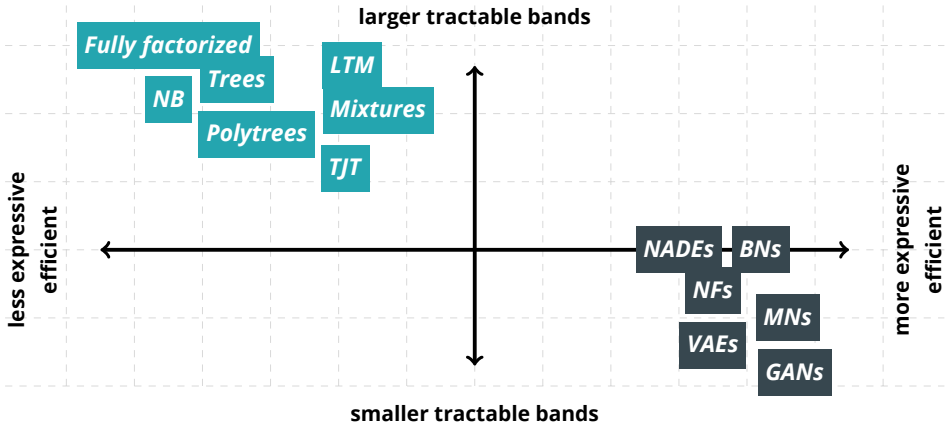

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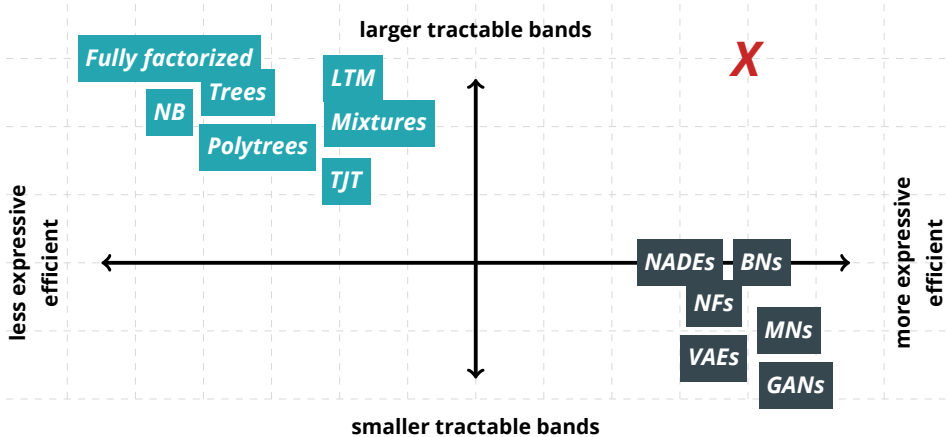

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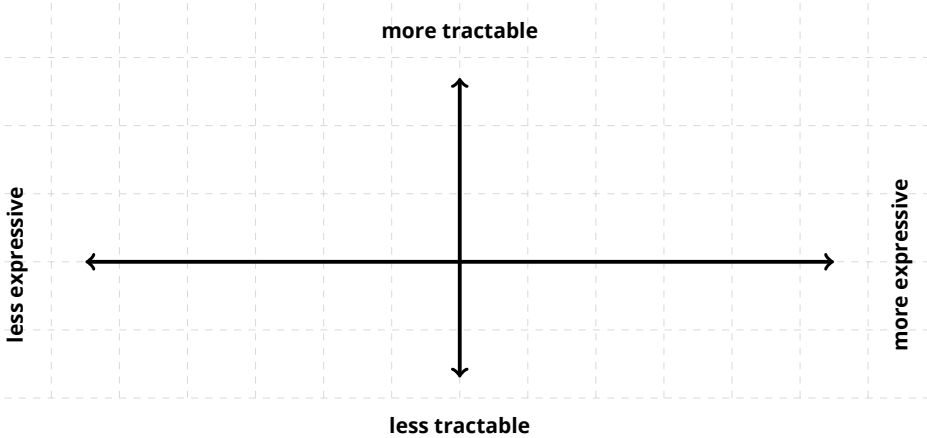
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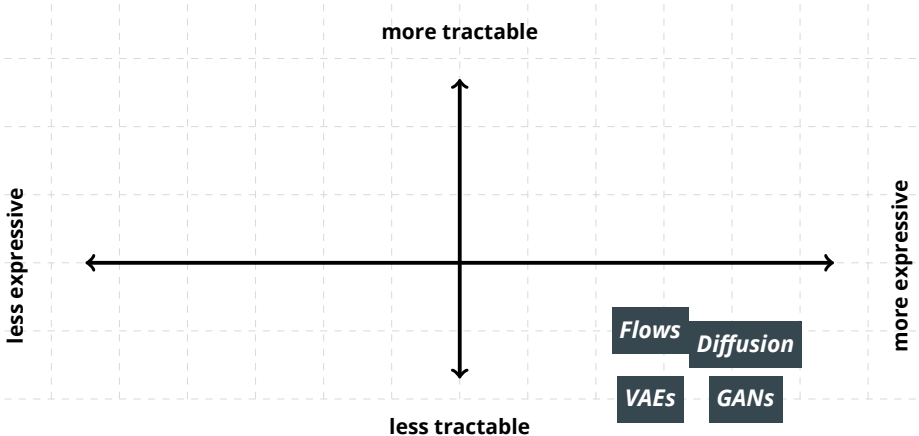

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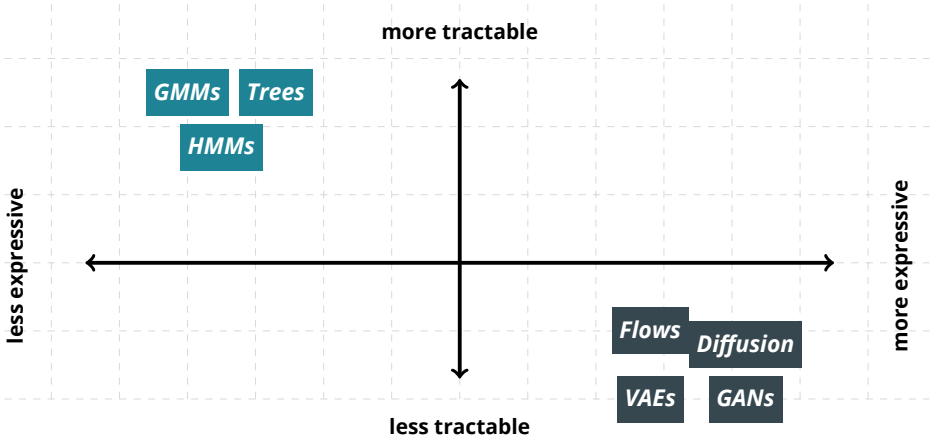

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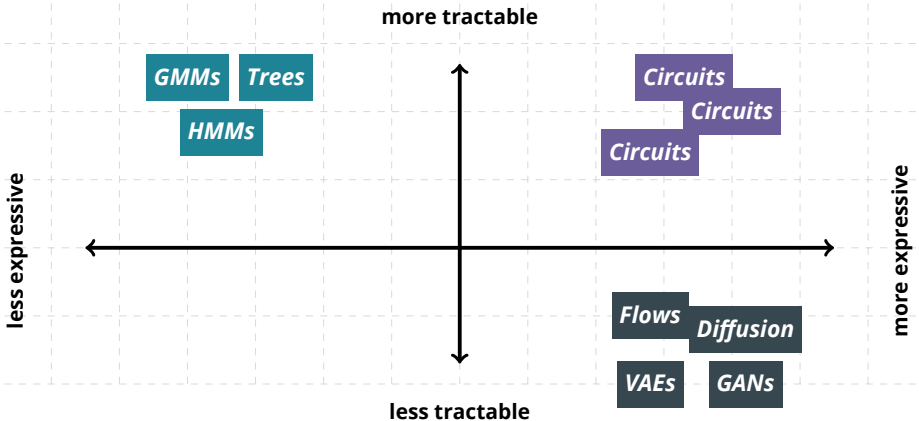
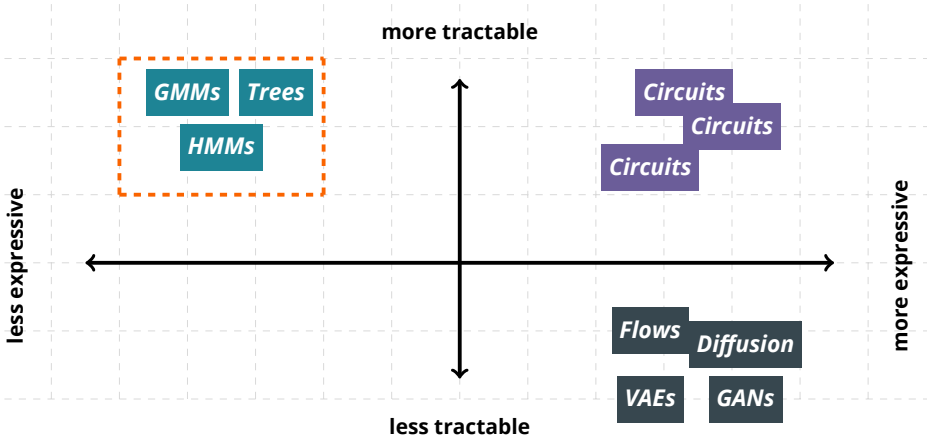


Circuits can be both expressive and tractable!



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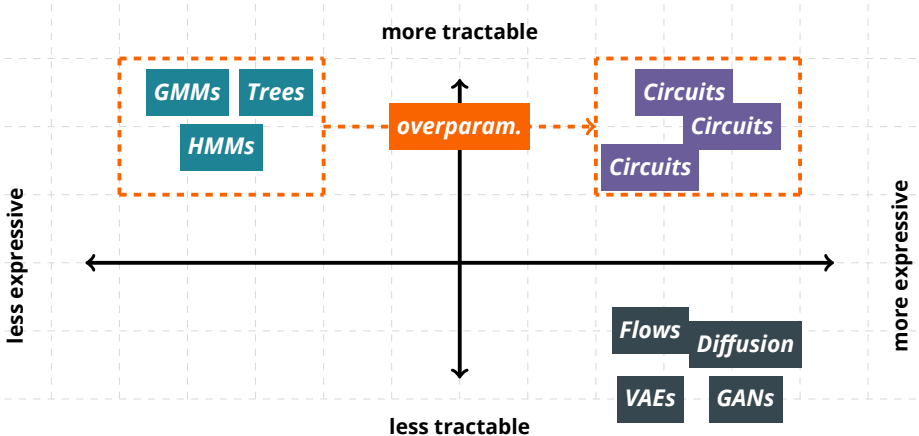
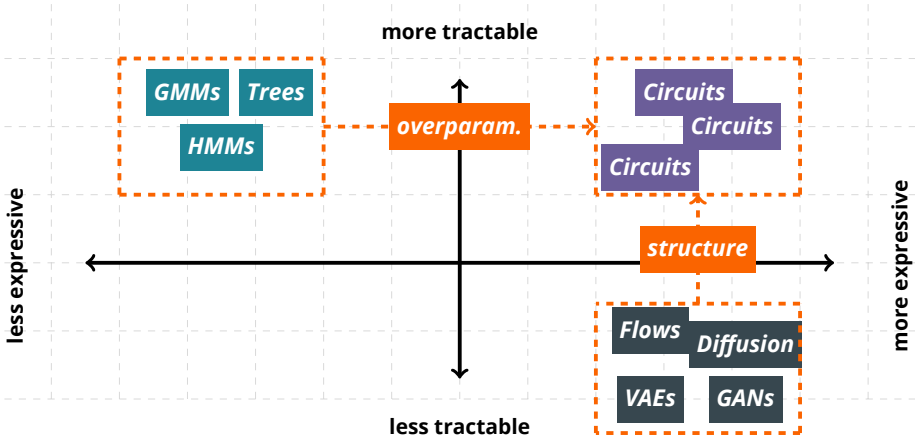


then make it more expressive!



impose structure!

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as computational nodes

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$\Rightarrow$ *e.g., Gaussian PDF continuous random variable*

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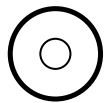

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$\Rightarrow$ *e.g., indicators for X or $\neg X$ for Boolean random variable*

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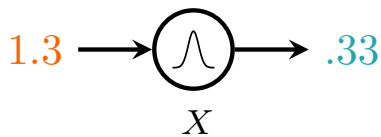

Simple distributions are tractable “black boxes” for:

- EVI: output $p(\mathbf{x})$ (density or mass)
- MAR: output 1 (normalized) or Z (unnormalized)
- MAP: output the mode

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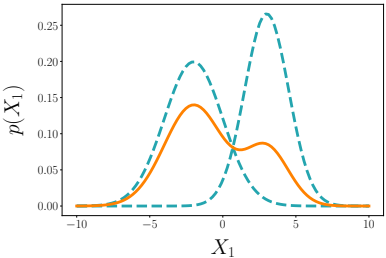
as computational graphs



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$\Rightarrow$ *translating inference to data structures...*

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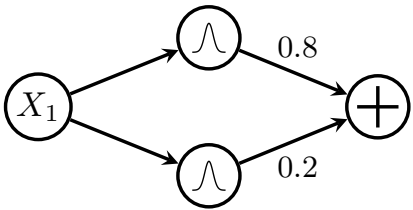

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$\Rightarrow$ *...e.g., as a weighted sum unit over Gaussian input distributions*

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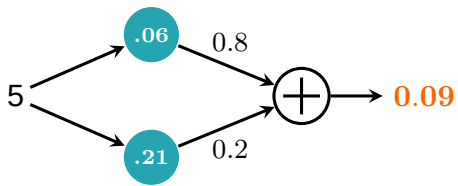

$$p(X = 5) = 0.2 \cdot p_1(X_1 = 5) + 0.8 \cdot p_2(X_1 = 5)$$

$\Rightarrow$ *inference = feedforward evaluation*

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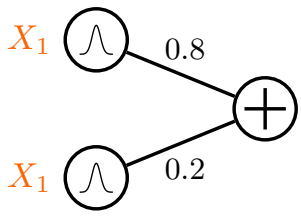

A simplified notation:

⇒ ***scopes*** *attached to inputs*

⇒ *edge directions omitted*

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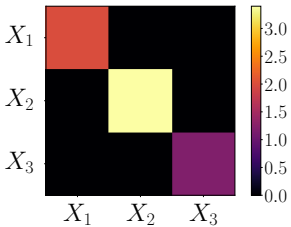

$\Rightarrow$ *e.g. modeling a multivariate Gaussian with diagonal covariance matrix…*

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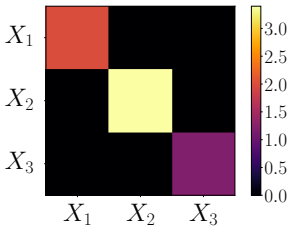

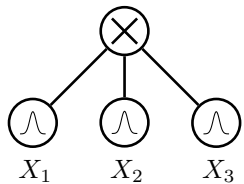

$\Rightarrow$ *...with a product node over some univariate Gaussian distribution*

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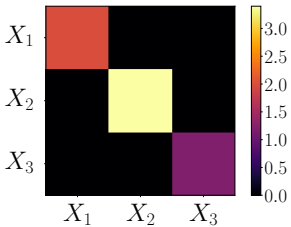

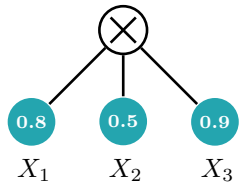

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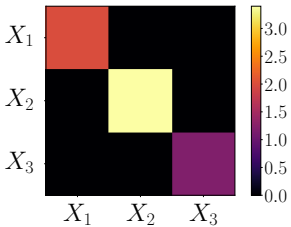

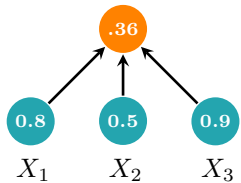

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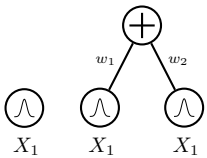

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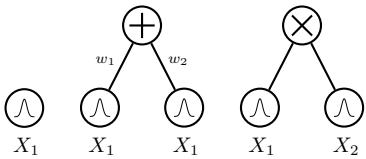

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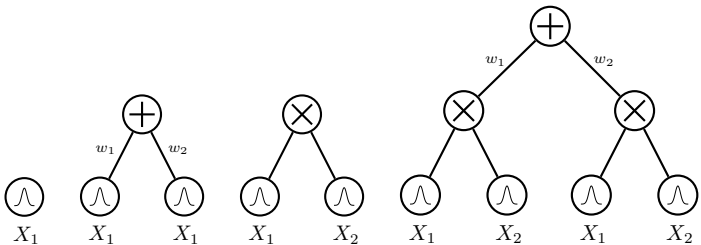

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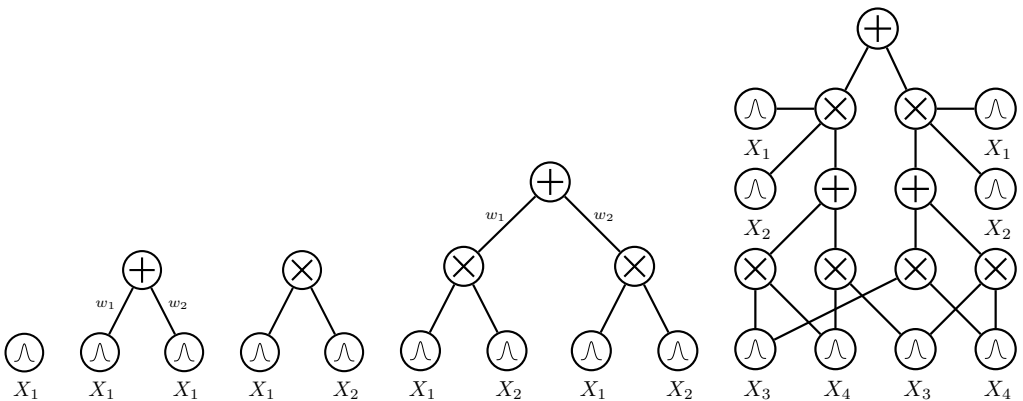

Building PCs in Python with SPFlow


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import spn.structure.leaves.parametric.Parametric as param
from param import Categorical, Gaussian

PC = 0.4 * (Categorical(p=[0.2, 0.8], scope=0) *
             (0.3 * (Gaussian(mean=1.0, stdev=1.0, scope=1) *
                     Categorical(p=[0.4, 0.6], scope=2))
            + 0.7 * (Gaussian(mean=-1.0, stdev=1.0, scope=1) *
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Molina et al., "SPFlow: An easy and extensible library for deep probabilistic learning using sum-product networks", 2019

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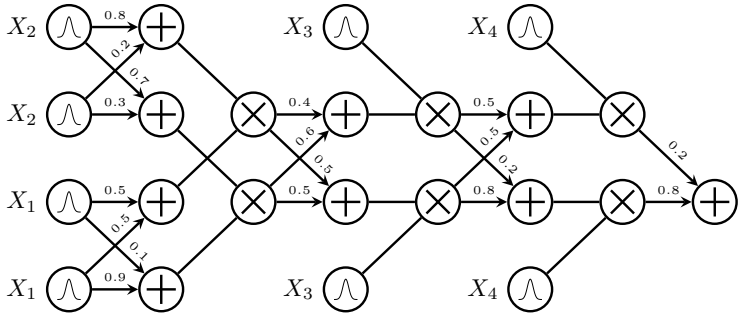

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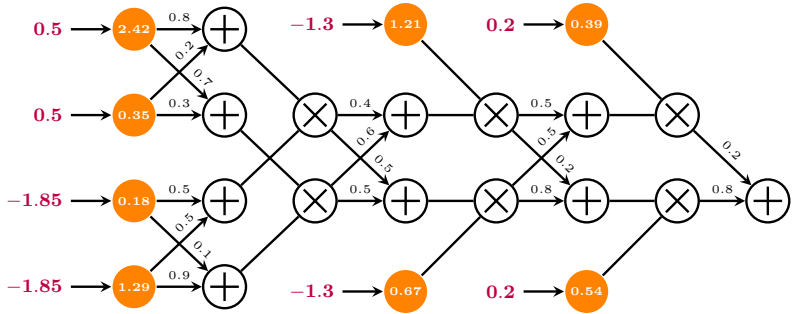

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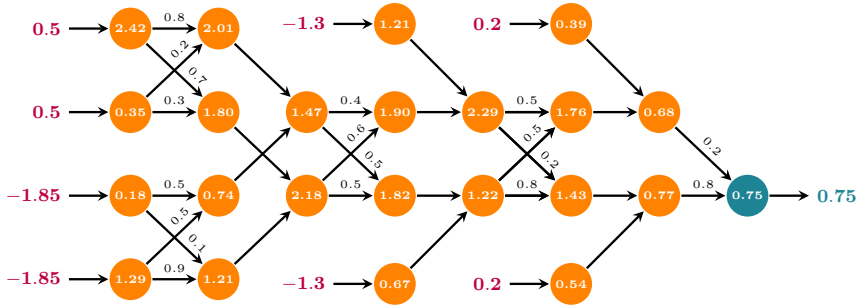

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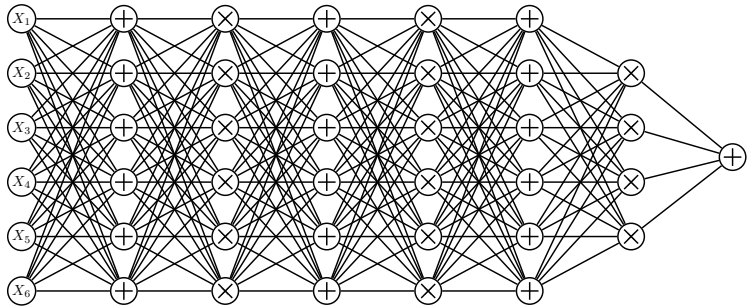

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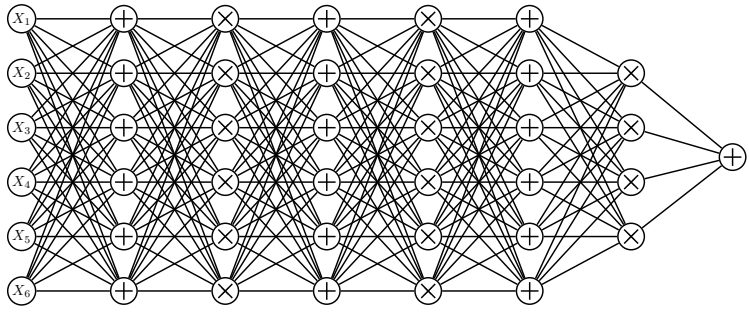


~~*just arbitrarily compose them like a neural network!*~~

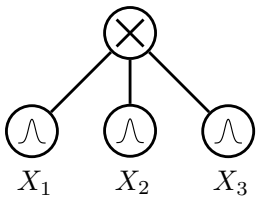
$\Rightarrow$ *structural properties needed for tractability*

Which structural constraints ensure tractability?

Decomposability

A product node is decomposable if its children depend on disjoint sets of variables

$\Rightarrow$ *just like in factorization!*



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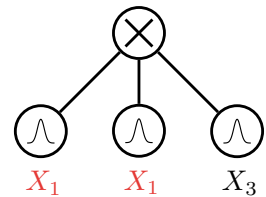

***non*-decomposable** circuit

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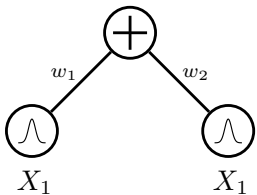
Smoothness

aka completeness

A sum node is smooth if its children depend of the same variable sets

$\Rightarrow$ *otherwise not accounting for some variables*



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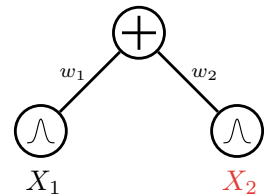

***non*-smooth** circuit

$\Rightarrow$ *smoothness can be easily enforced* (Shih et al. 2019)

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Smoothness + ***decomposability*** = ***tractable MAR***

Computing arbitrary integrations (or summations)

$\Rightarrow$ *linear in circuit size!*

E.g., suppose we want to compute Z
(the distribution's normalizing constant):

$$\int \boldsymbol{p}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

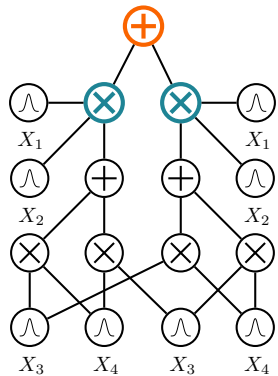
Smoothness + **decomposability** = **tractable MAR**

If $\boldsymbol{p}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i w_i \boldsymbol{p}_i(\mathbf{x})$, (***smoothness***):

$$\int \boldsymbol{p}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \int \sum_i w_i \boldsymbol{p}_i(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} =$$

$$= \sum_i w_i \int \boldsymbol{p}_i(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$\Rightarrow$ *integrals are "pushed down" to children*



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If $p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = p(\mathbf{x})p(\mathbf{y})p(\mathbf{z})$, (***decomposability***):

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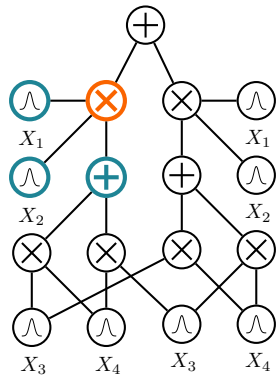
$\Longrightarrow$ *integrals decompose into easier ones*



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Forward pass evaluation for MAR

$\Rightarrow$ *linear in circuit size!*

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- leafs over X_1 and X_3 output $Z_i = \int p(x_i) dx_i$
  - $\Rightarrow$ *for normalized leaf distributions:* 1.0
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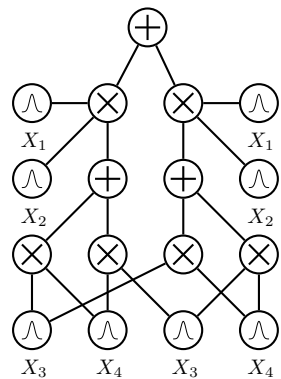

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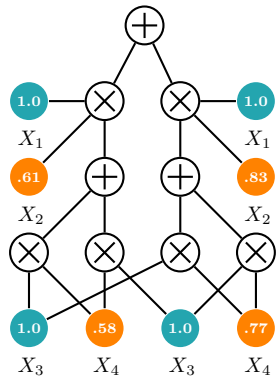

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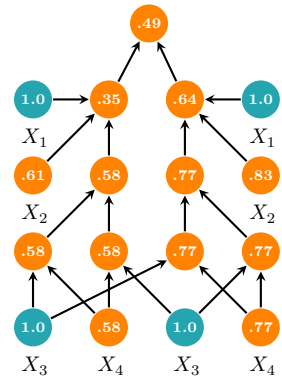
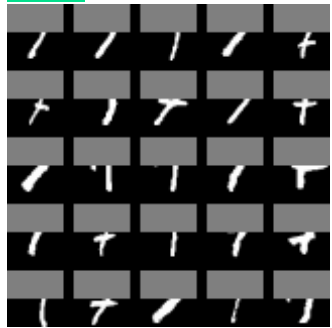


Tractable MAR

EVI $10,958.72$ nats

MAR $5,387.55$ nats



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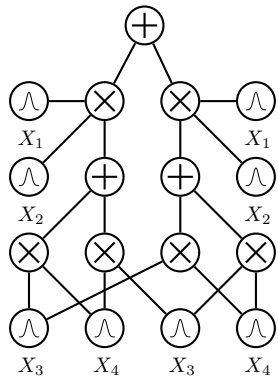
Smoothness + **decomposability** = **tractable CON**

Analogously, for arbitrary conditional queries:

$$p(\mathbf{q} \mid \mathbf{e}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{e})}{p(\mathbf{e})}$$

1. evaluate $p(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{e})$ $\Rightarrow$ *one feedforward pass*
2. evaluate $p(\mathbf{e})$ $\Rightarrow$ *another feedforward pass*

$\Rightarrow$ *...still linear in circuit size!*



Tractable CON

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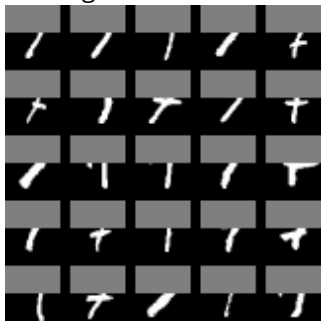

Conditional sample

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Generative models are still hard to control

more reasoning! Generate image

Stable Diffusion

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A frisbee is caught by a dog.
A pair of frisbee players are caught in a dog fight.

GeLaTo

What do we have?

Prefix: “The weather is”

Constraint α: text contains “winter”

Model only does $p(\text{next-token}|\text{prefix}) =$

cold	0.05
warm	0.10

What do we need?

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Constraint α: text contains “winter”

Generate from $p(\text{next-token} \mid \text{prefix}, \alpha) =$

cold	0.50
warm	0.01

$$\propto \sum_{\text{text}} p(\text{next-token}, \text{text}, \text{prefix}, \alpha)$$

Marginalization!

Computing $p(\alpha \mid x_{1:t+1})$

For α in conjunctive normal form (CNF):

$$(w_{1,1} \vee \ldots \vee w_{1,d1}) \wedge \ldots \wedge (w_{m,1} \vee \ldots \vee w_{m,dm})$$

where each w_{ij} is a keyword (i.e. a string of tokens),
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e.g., α = ("swims" $\vee$ "like swimming") $\wedge$ ("lake" $\vee$ "pool")

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Efficient algorithm:
For m clauses and sequence length n, time-complexity for generation is $O(2^{|m|}n)$
when p is a *hidden Markov model* (see general probabilistic circuit case later).

Trick: dynamic programming with clever preprocessing and local belief updates

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CommonGen: a Challenging Benchmark

Given 3-5 concepts (keywords), our goal is to generate a sentence using all keywords, which can appear in any order and any form of inflections. e.g.,

Input: snow drive car

Reference 1: A car drives down a snow covered road.

Reference 2: Two cars drove through the snow.

$$(w_{1,1} \vee \ldots \vee w_{1,d1}) \wedge \ldots \wedge (w_{m,1} \vee \ldots \vee w_{m,dm})$$

Each clause represents the inflections for one keyword.

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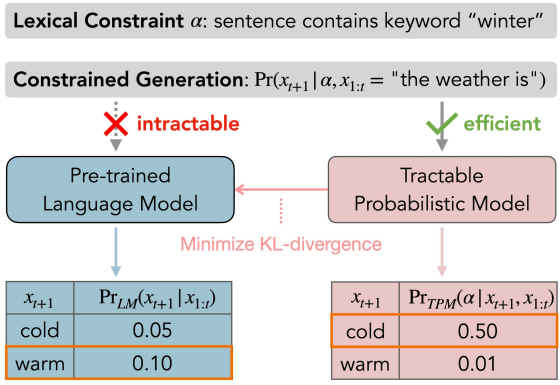

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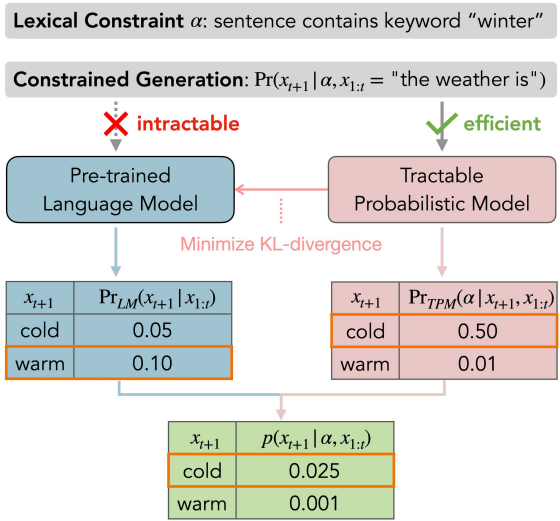

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Step 2: Control p_{gpt} via p_{hmm}

Unsupervised

Language model is not
fine-tuned/prompted to satisfy constraints

By Bayes rule:

$$p_{gpt}(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t}, \alpha) \propto p_{gpt}(\alpha \mid x_{1:t+1}) \cdot p_{gpt}(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t})$$

Assume $p_{hmm}(\alpha \mid x_{1:t+1}) \approx p_{gpt}(\alpha \mid x_{1:t+1})$, we generate from:

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Method	*Generation Quality*								*Constraint Satisfaction*			
	ROUGE-L		BLEU-4		CIDEr		SPICE		Coverage		Success Rate	
Unsupervised	*dev*	*test*	*dev*	*test*	*dev*	*test*	*dev*	*test*	*dev*	*test*	*dev*	*test*
InsNet (Lu et al., 2022a)	-	-	18.7	-	-	-	-	-	**100.0**	-	**100.0**	-
NeuroLogic (Lu et al., 2021)	-	41.9	-	24.7	-	14.4	-	27.5	-	96.7	-	-
A*esque (Lu et al., 2022b)	-	**44.3**	-	28.6	-	15.6	-	29.6	-	97.1	-	-
NADO (Meng et al., 2022)	-	-	26.2	-	-	-	-	-	96.1	-	-	-
GeLaTo	**44.6**	44.1	**29.9**	**29.4**	**16.0**	**15.8**	**31.3**	**31.0**	**100.0**	**100.0**	**100.0**	**100.0**

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Supervised

Language model is fine-tuned to perform constrained generation (e.g. seq2seq)

Empirically $p_{HMM}(\alpha \mid x_{1:t+1}) \approx p_{gpt}(\alpha \mid x_{1:t+1})$ does not hold well enough;

we view $p_{HMM}(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t}, \alpha)$ and $p_{gpt}(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t})$ as classifiers trained for the same task with different biases; thus we generate from their ***weighted geometric mean***:

$$p(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t}, \alpha) \propto p_{hmm}(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t}, \alpha)^{w} \cdot p_{gpt}(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t})^{1-w}$$

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Advantages of GeLaTo:

1. Constraint α is guaranteed to be satisfied: for any next-token x_{t+1} that would make α unsatisfiable, $p(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t}, \alpha) = 0$ for both settings.

2. Training p_{hmm} does not depend on α, which is only imposed at inference (generation) time. Once p_{hmm} is trained, we can impose whatever α.

3. We can impose additional tractable constraints:
   - The keywords are generated following a particular order.
   - (Some) keywords must appear at a particular position.
   - (Some) keywords must not appear in the generated sentence.

Conclusion: you can control an intractable generative model using a tractable probabilistic circuit.

Smoothness **+** ***decomposability*** **=** ***tractable MAP***

We can also decompose bottom-up a MAP query:

$$\max_{\mathbf{q}} p(\mathbf{q} \mid \mathbf{e})$$

Smoothness + **decomposability** = ~~tractable MAP~~

We ***cannot*** decompose bottom-up a MAP query:

$$\max_{\mathbf{q}} p(\mathbf{q} \mid \mathbf{e})$$

since for a sum node we are marginalizing out a latent variable

$$\max_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_i w_i p_i(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{e}) = \max_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{\mathbf{z}} p(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{e}) \neq \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \max_{\mathbf{q}} p(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{e})$$

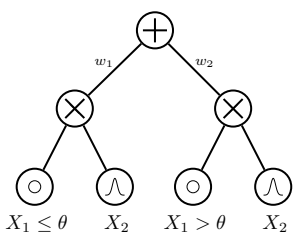
$\Rightarrow$ *MAP for latent variable models is* ***intractable*** *(Conaty et al. 2017)*

Determinism

aka selectivity

A sum node is deterministic if the output of only one children is non zero for any input

$\Rightarrow$ *e.g. if their distributions have disjoint support*



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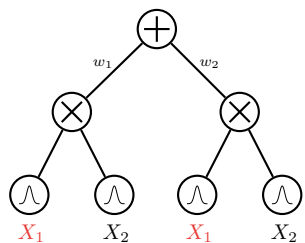


***non*-deterministic circuit**

Darwiche and Marquis, "A knowledge compilation map", 2002

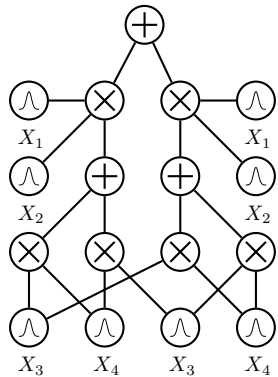
Determinism + **decomposability** = **tractable MAP**

Computing maximization with arbitrary evidence $\mathbf{e}$

$\Rightarrow$ *linear in circuit size!*

E.g., suppose we want to compute:

$$\max_{\mathbf{q}} p(\mathbf{q} \mid \mathbf{e})$$



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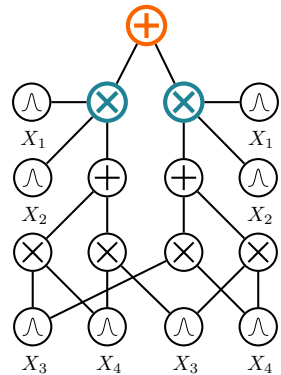
$\Rightarrow$ *one non-zero child term, thus sum is max*



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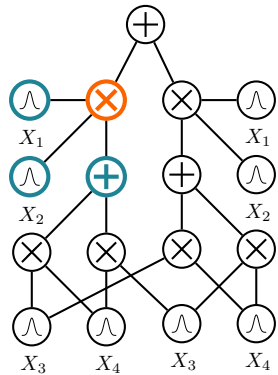
$\Rightarrow$ *solving optimization independently*



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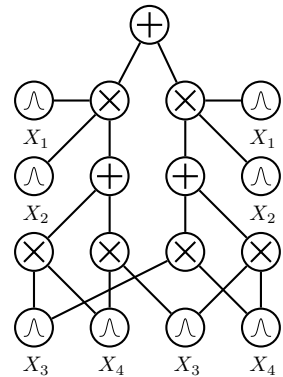

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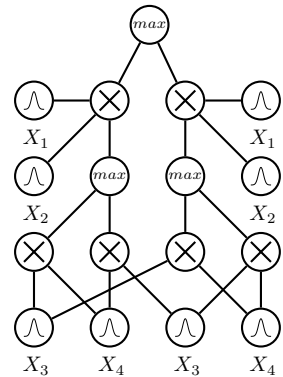

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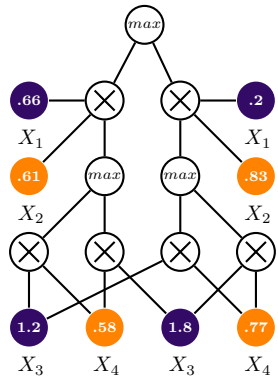

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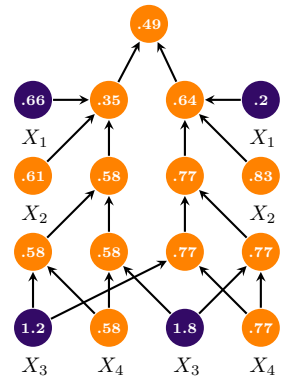

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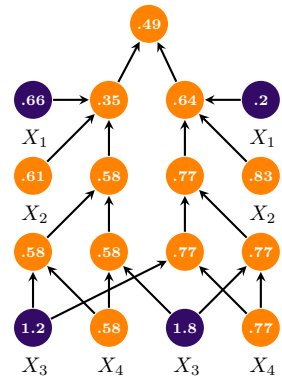
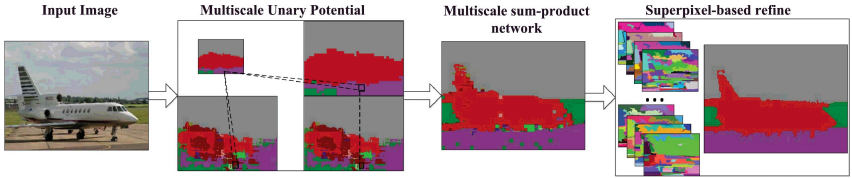


MAP inference : image segmentation



Semantic segmentation is MAP over joint pixel and label space

Even approximate MAP for non-deterministic circuits (SPNs) delivers good performances.

Rathke et al., "Locally adaptive probabilistic models for global segmentation of pathological oct scans", 2017

Yuan et al., "Modeling spatial layout for scene image understanding via a novel multiscale sum-product network", 2016

Friesen and Domingos, "Submodular Sum-product Networks for Scene Understanding", 2016

How expressive?

Dataset	Sparse PC (ours)	HCLT	RatSPN	IDF	BitSwap	BB-ANS	McBits
MNIST	**1.14**	1.20	1.67	1.90	1.27	1.39	1.98
EMNIST(MNIST)	**1.52**	1.77	2.56	2.07	1.88	2.04	2.19
EMNIST(Letters)	**1.58**	1.80	2.73	1.95	1.84	2.26	3.12
EMNIST(Balanced)	**1.60**	1.82	2.78	2.15	1.96	2.23	2.88
EMNIST(ByClass)	**1.54**	1.85	2.72	1.98	1.87	2.23	3.14
FashionMNIST	**3.27**	3.34	4.29	3.47	3.28	3.66	3.72

competitive with Flows and VAEs!

Dang et al., "Sparse Probabilistic Circuits via Pruning and Growing", 2022

How scalable?

Dataset	TPMs				DGMs		
	LVD (ours)	HCLT	EiNet	RAT-SPN	Glow	RealNVP	BIVA
ImageNet32	**4.39**±0.01	4.82	5.63	6.90	4.09	4.28	3.96
ImageNet64	**4.12**±0.00	4.67	5.69	6.82	3.81	3.98	-
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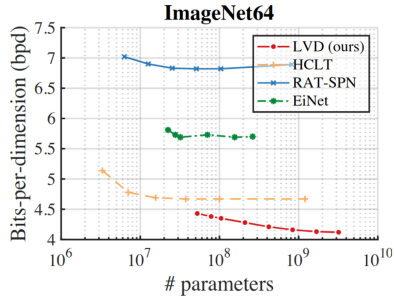

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Liu et al., "Scaling Up Probabilistic Circuits by Latent Variable Distillation", 2022

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Logical Circuits

Tractability to other semi-rings

Tractable probabilistic inference exploits ***efficient summation for decomposable functions*** in the probability commutative semiring:

$$(\mathbb{R}, +, \times, 0, 1)$$

analogously efficient computations can be done in other semi-rings:

$$(\mathbb{S}, \oplus, \otimes, 0_{\oplus}, 1_{\otimes})$$

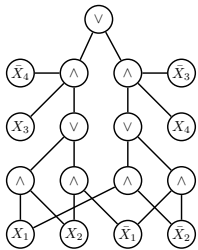
$\Rightarrow$ *Algebraic model counting (Kimmig et al. 2017), Semi-ring programming (Belle et al. 2016)*

Historically, ***very well studied for boolean functions***:

$$(\mathbb{B} = \{0, 1\}, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$$

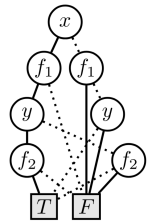
$\Rightarrow$ *logical circuits!*

Logical circuits



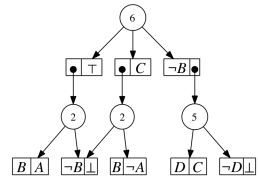
s/d-D/NNFs

(Darwiche et al. 2002a)



O/BDDs

(Bryant 1986)



SDDs

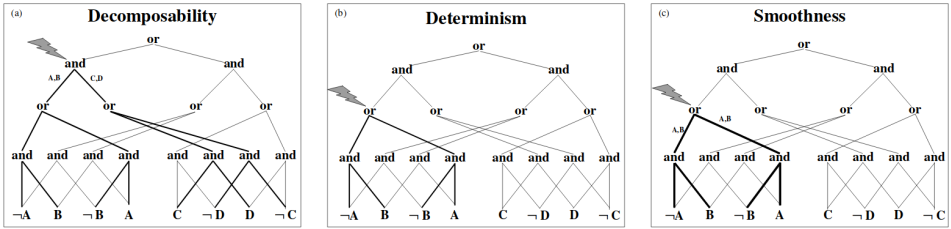
(Darwiche 2011a)

Logical circuits are compact representations for boolean functions...

Logical circuits

structural properties

...and like probabilitistic circuits, one can define ***structural properties***: (*structured*) *decomposability*, *smoothness*, *determinism* allowing for tractable computations

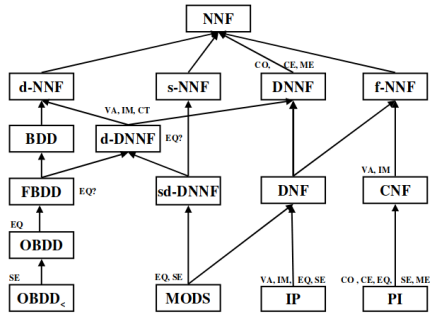


Darwiche and Marquis, "A knowledge compilation map", 2002

Logical circuits

a knowledge compilation map

...inducing ***a hierarchy of tractable logical circuit families***



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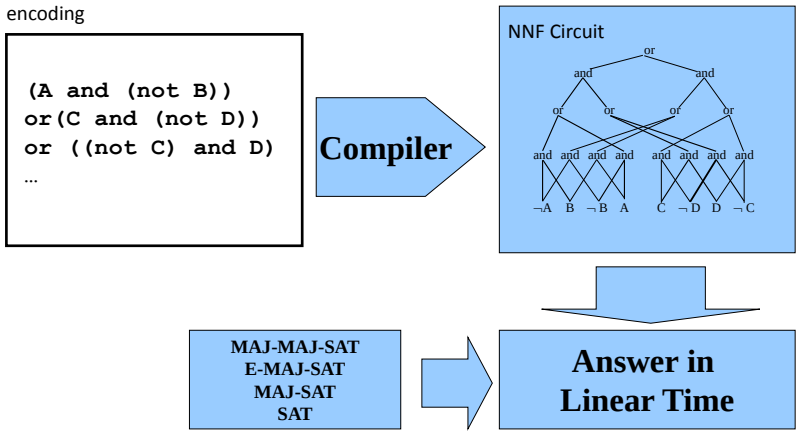
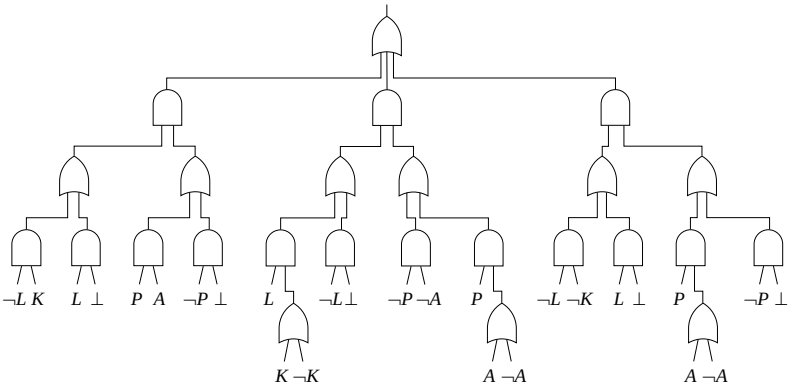


NNF Circuits

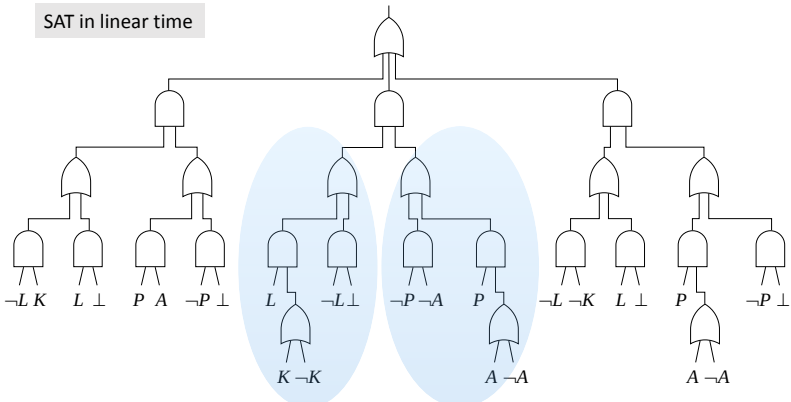
$$P \vee L$$
$$A \Rightarrow P$$
$$K \Rightarrow (P \vee L)$$



Decomposability (DNNF)

Darwiche, JACM 2001

SAT in linear time



Determinism (d-DNNF)

Darwiche, JANCL 2000

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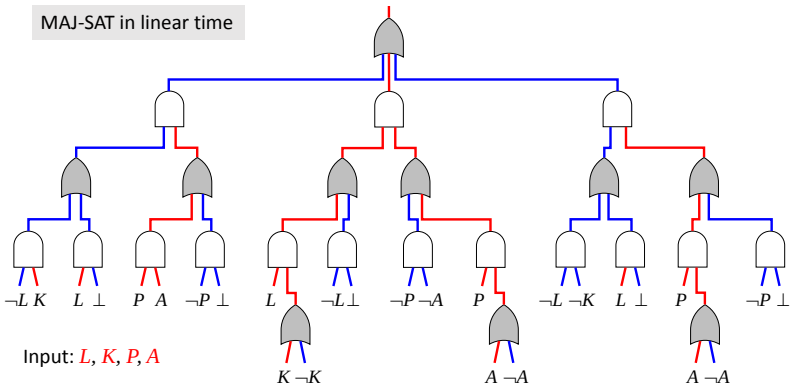

Input: L, K, P, A

Decomposability + **determinism** = **tractable (W)MC**

***Model counting problem*:** given a Boolean formula Δ, compute the number of satisfying assignments.

***Weighted model counting* (WMC):**

$$\mathrm{WMC}(\Delta, w) = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \models \Delta} \prod_{l \in \mathbf{x}} w(l)$$

$\Rightarrow$ *linear in circuit size!*

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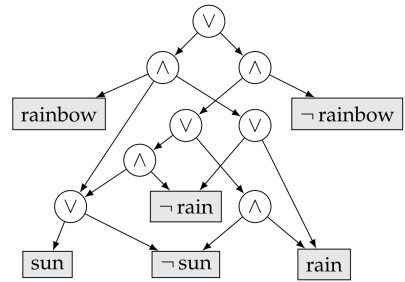

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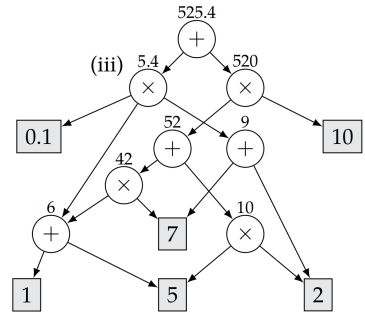

Probabilistic inference by WMC

connection to probabilistic circuits through WMC

1. Encode probabilistic model as WMC formula (Δ, w)
2. Compile Δ into a logical circuit (e.g. d-DNNF, OBDD, SDD, etc.)
3. Tractable MAR/CON by tractable WMC on circuit
4. Answer *complex queries* tractably by enforcing *more structural properties*!

Chavira and Darwiche, "On probabilistic inference by weighted model counting", 2008

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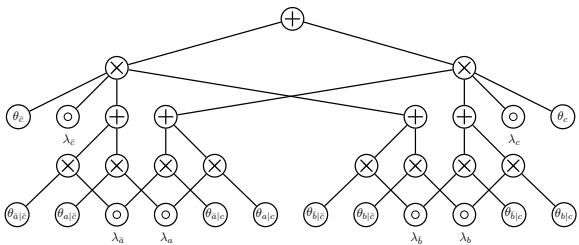
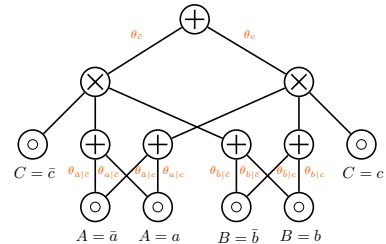
Resulting compiled WMC circuit **equivalent to probabilistic circuit**

$\Rightarrow$ *parameter variables* $\rightarrow$ *edge parameters*



Compiled circuit of WMC encoding



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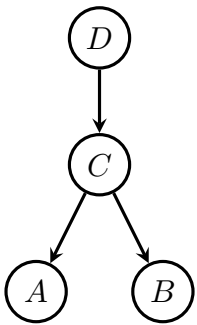
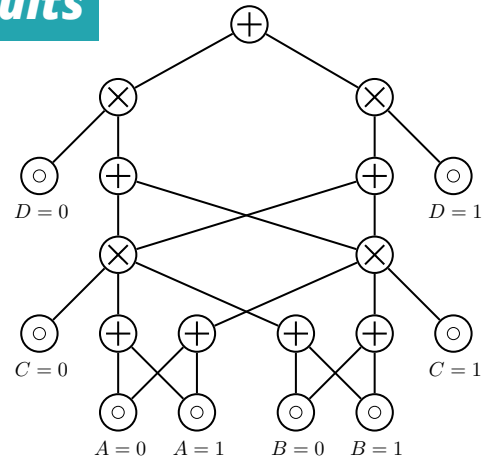
via compilation





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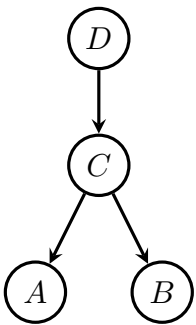
Bottom-up ***compilation***: starting from leaves...



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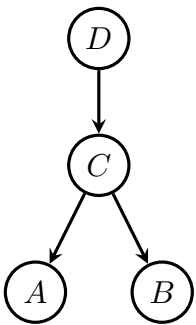

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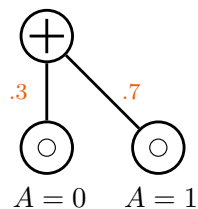

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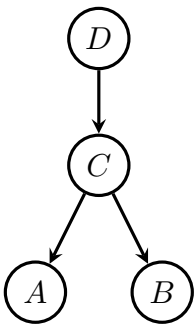

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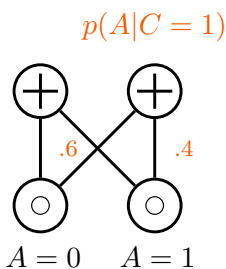

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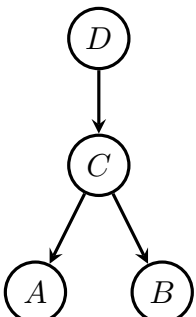

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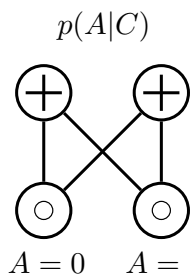

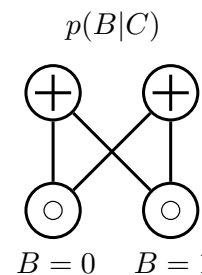

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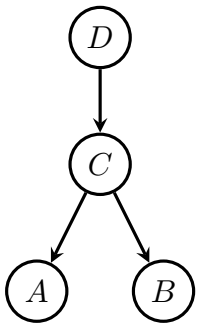

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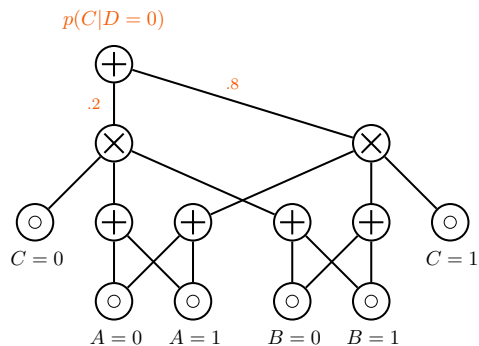

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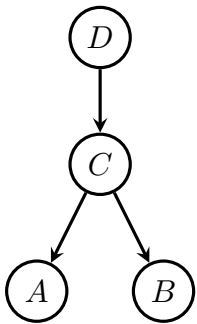

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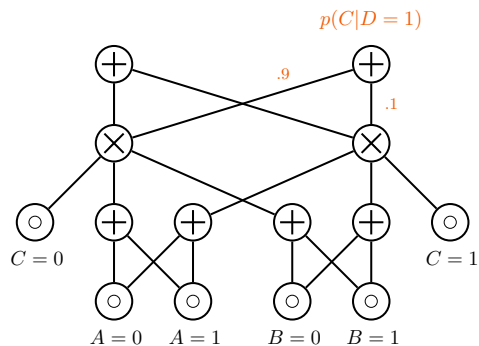

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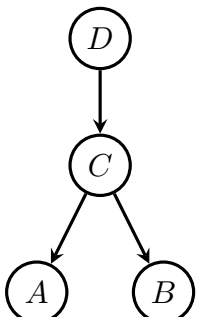

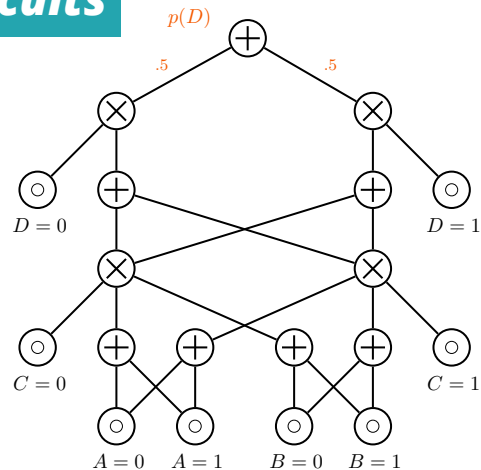

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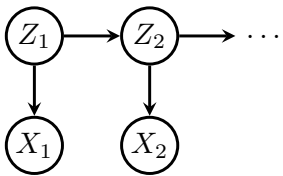

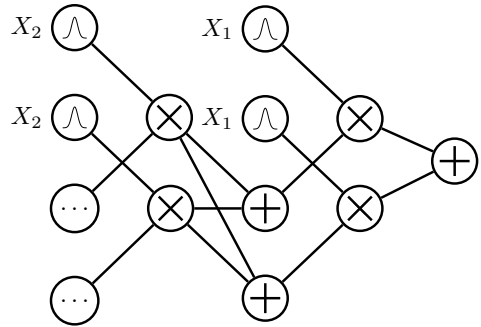

Compilation: probabilistic programming

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1  x = flip(θ1);
2  if(x) {
3    y = flip(θ2)
4  } else {
5    y = x
6  }
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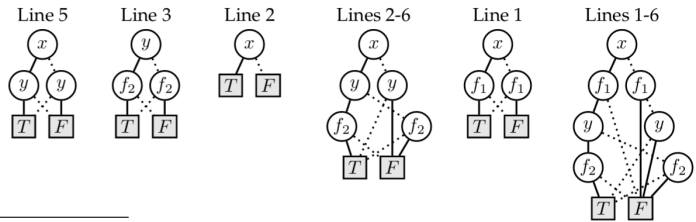

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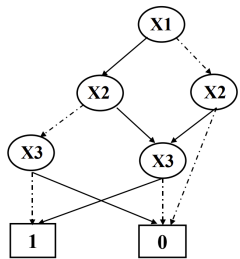

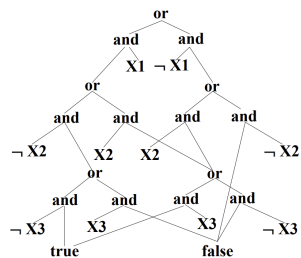

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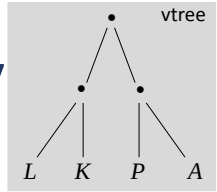

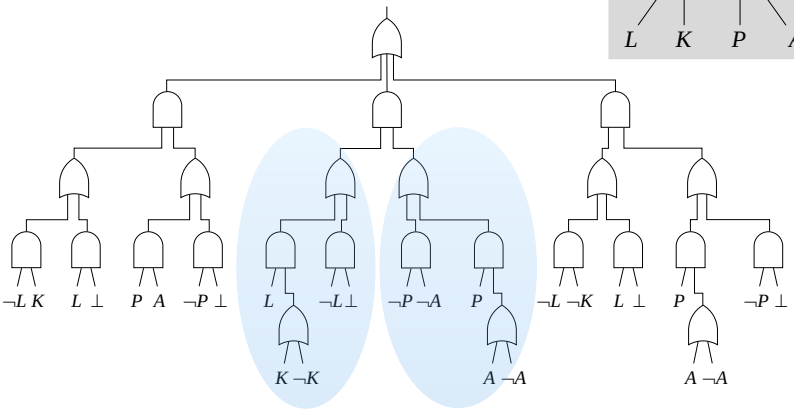

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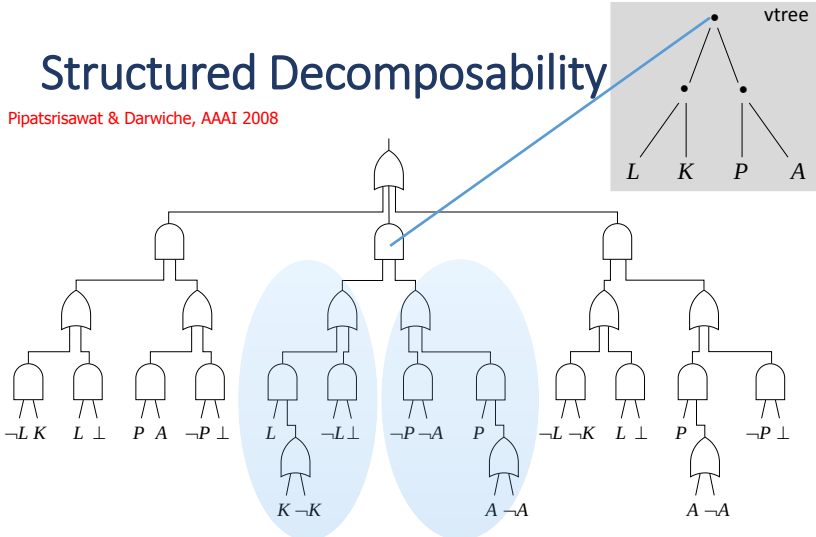

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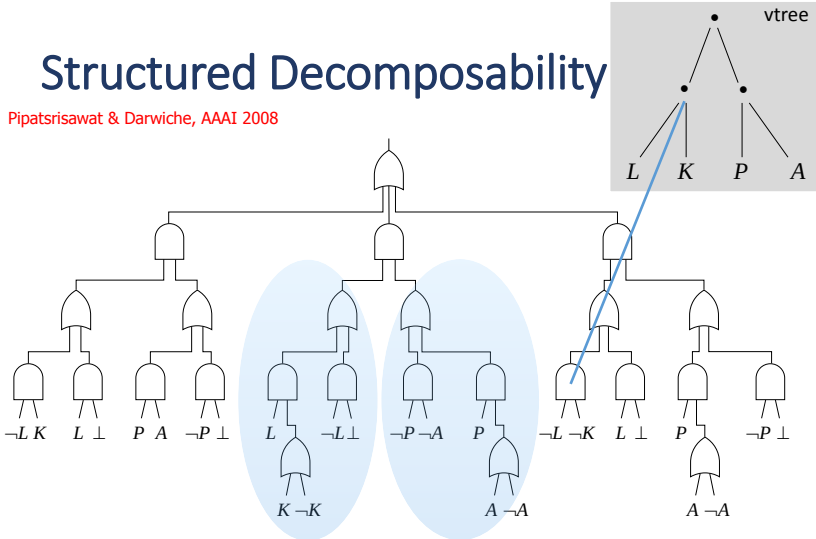

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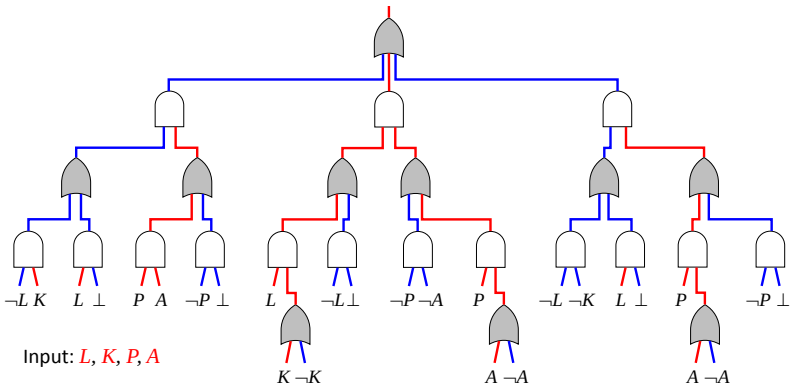

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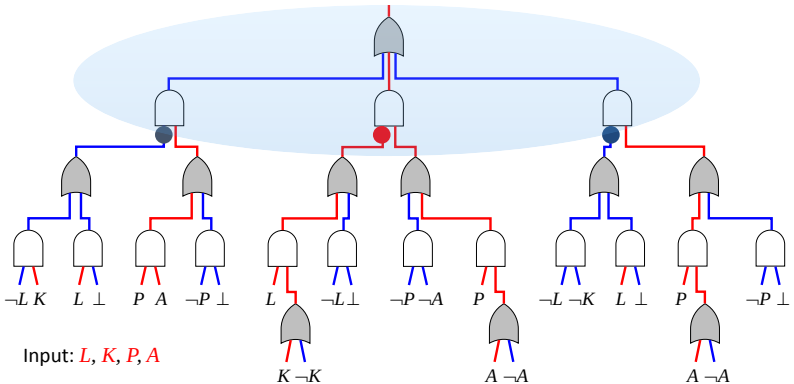

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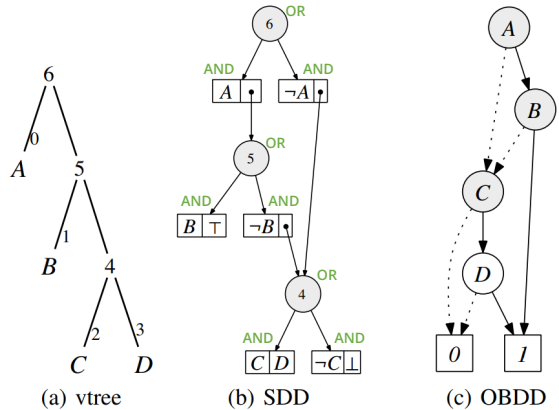

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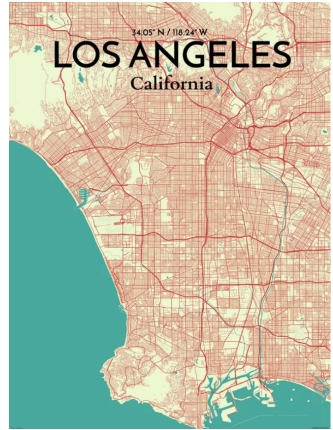

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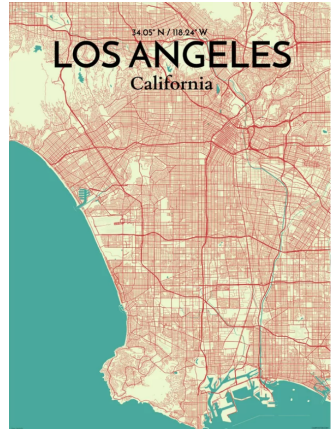
$\Rightarrow$ ***marginals + logical events***



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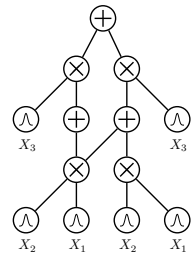
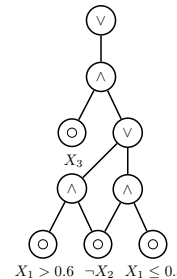
Computing $\boldsymbol{p}(\alpha)$: the probability of arbitrary logical formula

Multilinear in circuit sizes if the logical circuit:

- is smooth, structured decomposable, deterministic
- shares the **same vtree**





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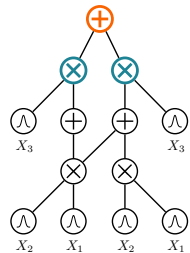
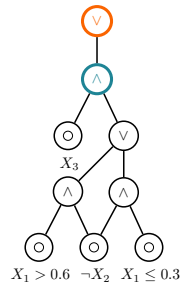
$$p(\alpha) = \sum_i w_i p_i \left(\bigvee_j \alpha_j \right) = \sum_i w_i \sum_j p_i(\alpha_j)$$

$\Rightarrow$ *probabilities are "pushed down" to children*





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If $p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = p(\mathbf{x})p(\mathbf{y})$, $\alpha = \beta \wedge \gamma$, (***structured decomposability***):

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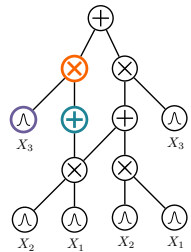
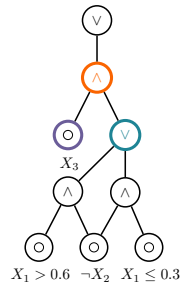
$\Rightarrow$ *probabilities decompose into simpler ones*





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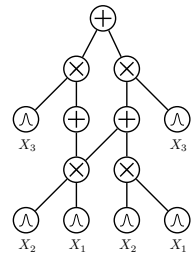

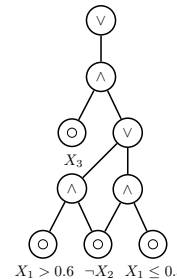

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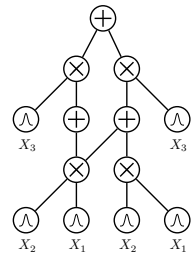

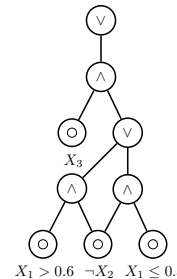

structured decomposability = ***tractable...***

- ***Symmetric*** and ***group queries*** (exactly-k, odd-number, etc.) *(Bekker et al. 2015)*

For the "right" vtree

- Marginal MAP *(Oztok et al. 2016)*
- Probability of logical circuit event in probabilistic circuit *(Choi et al. 2015b)*
- ***Multiply*** two probabilistic circuits *(Shen et al. 2016)*
- ***KL Divergence*** between probabilistic circuits *(Liang et al. 2017)*
- ***Same-decision probability*** *(Oztok et al. 2016)*
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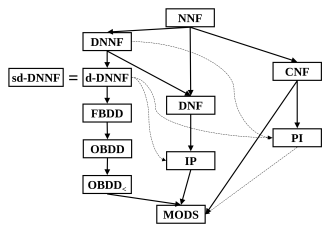

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A family of circuits $\mathcal{M}_1$ *is* ***at least as succinct as*** $\mathcal{M}_2$
iff for every $\mathbf{m}_2 \in \mathcal{M}_2$*, there exists* $\mathbf{m}_1 \in \mathcal{M}_1$ *that represents the same function and* $|m_1| \leq |\mathsf{poly}(m_2)|$.

$\Rightarrow$ *denoted* $\mathcal{M}_1 \leq \mathcal{M}_2$

$\Rightarrow$ *strictly more succinct* $(\mathcal{M}_1 < \mathcal{M}_2)$
iff $\mathcal{M}_1 \leq \mathcal{M}_2$ *and* $\mathcal{M}_1 \not\geq \mathcal{M}_2$

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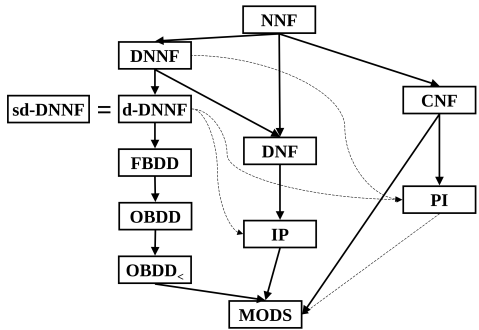

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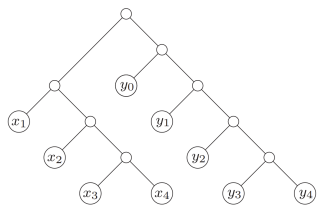

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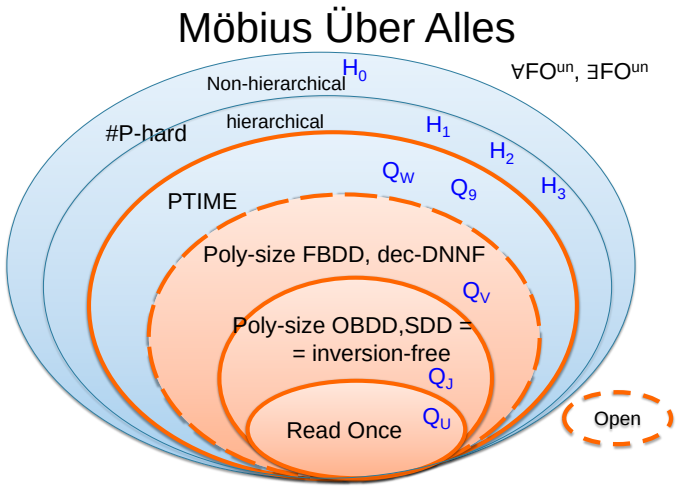

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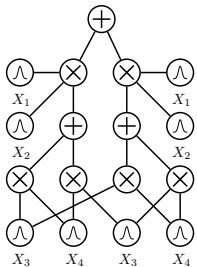

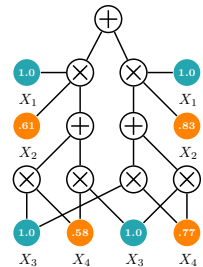

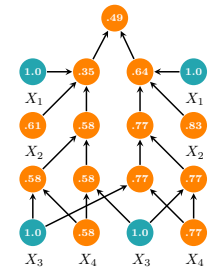

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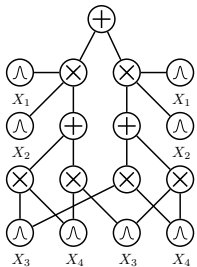

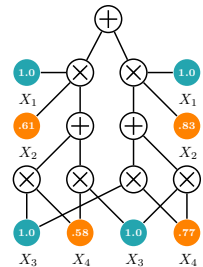

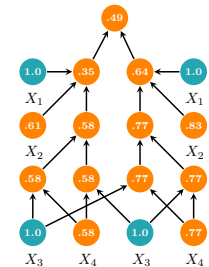

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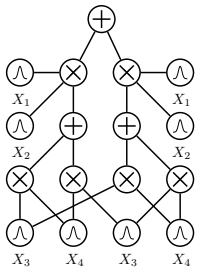

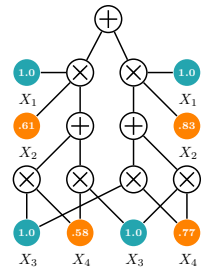

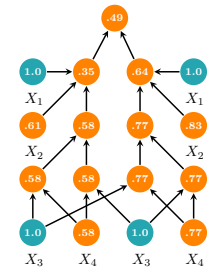

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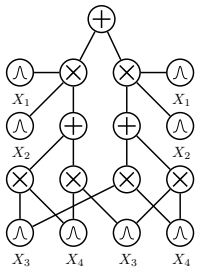

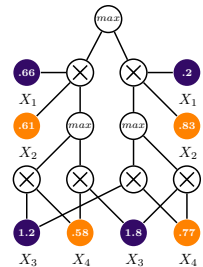

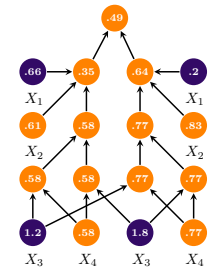

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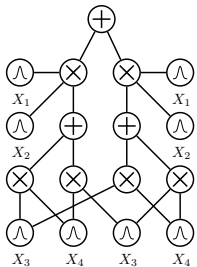

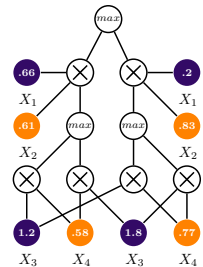

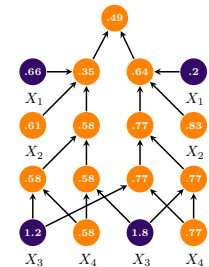

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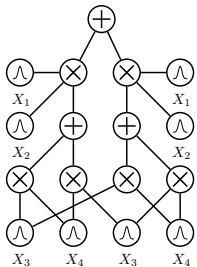

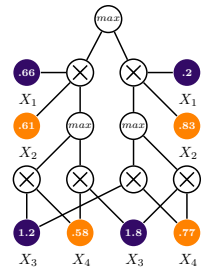

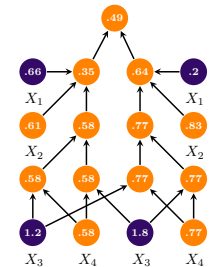

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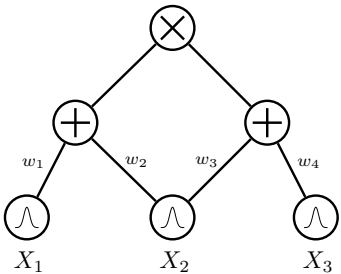

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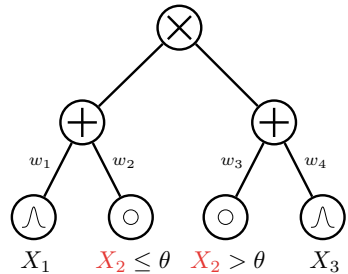

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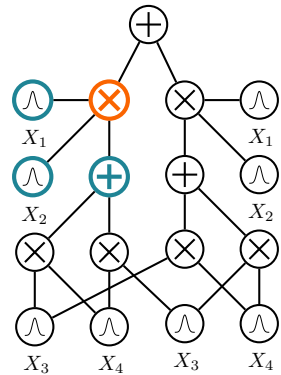

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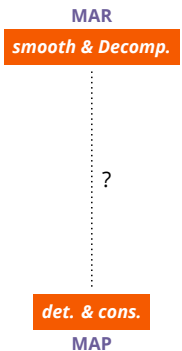

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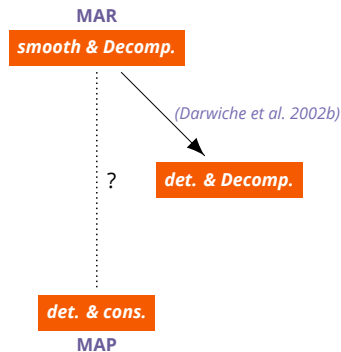

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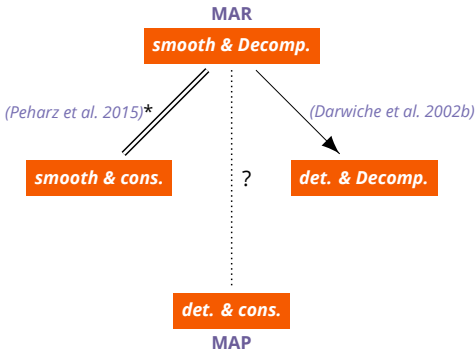

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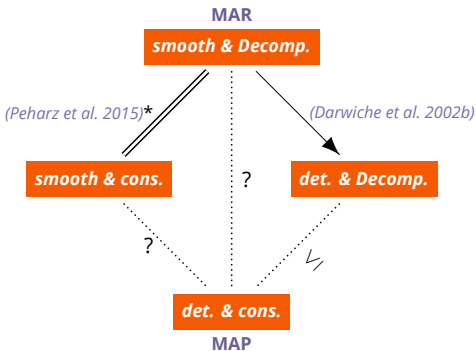

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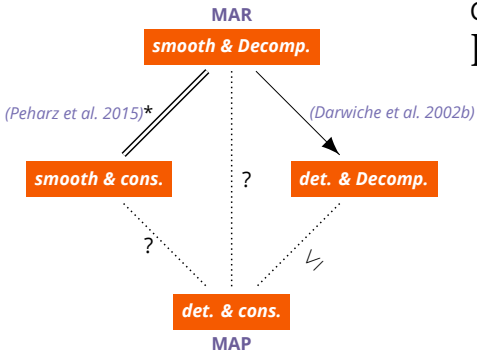

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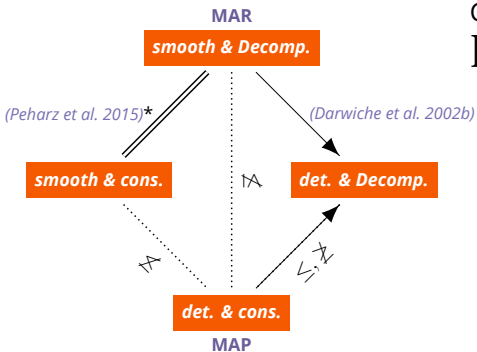

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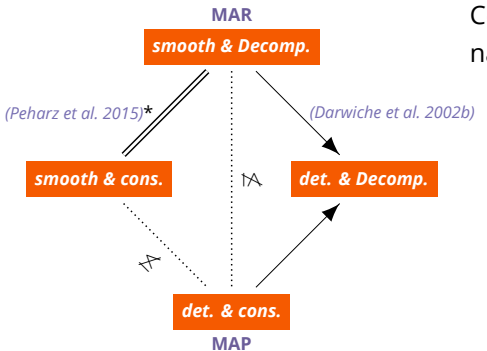

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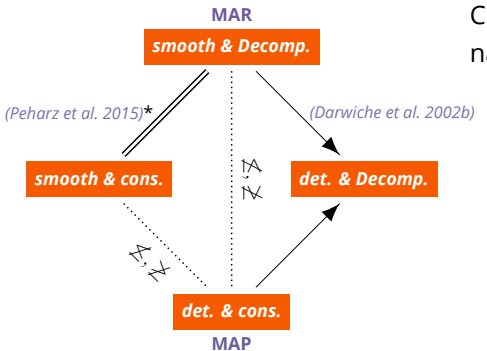

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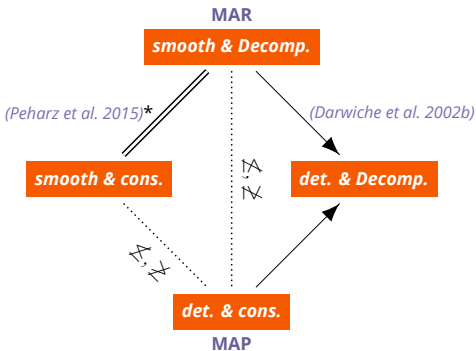

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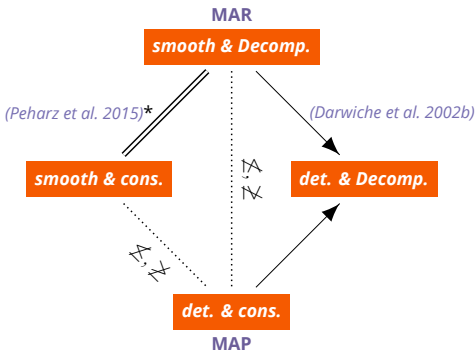

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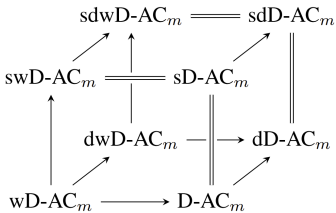

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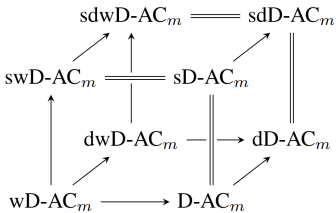

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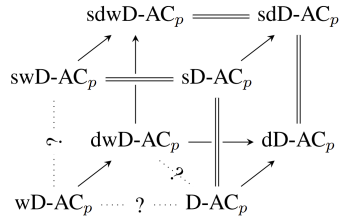

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$\Rightarrow$ *many divergences and information-theoretic queries*

Represented as ***higher-order computational graphs***—pipelines—operating over circuits!

$\Rightarrow$ *re-using intermediate transformations across queries*

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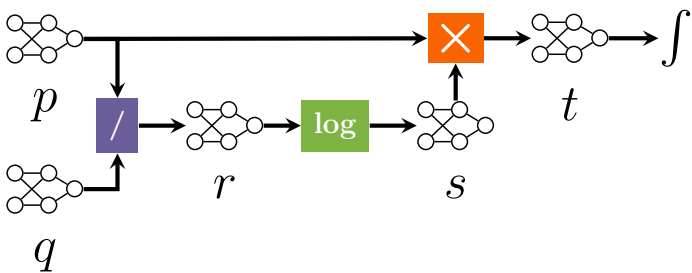

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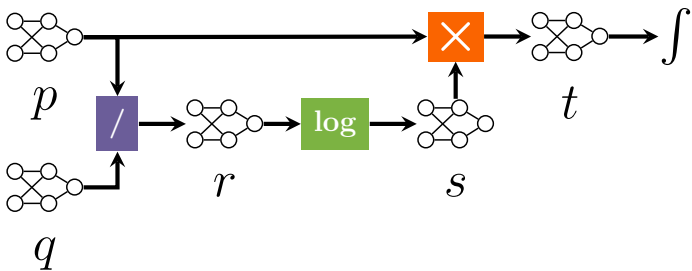

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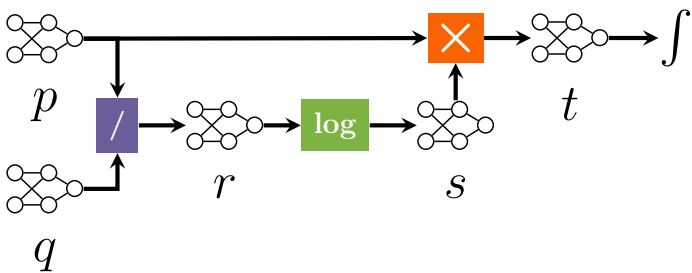

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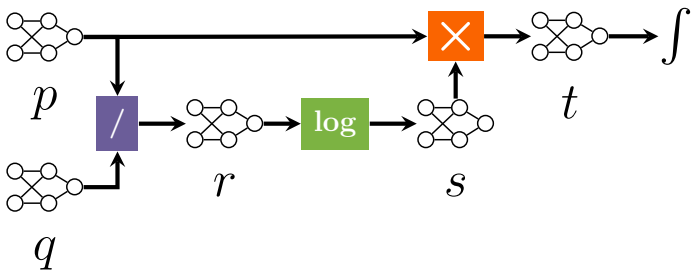

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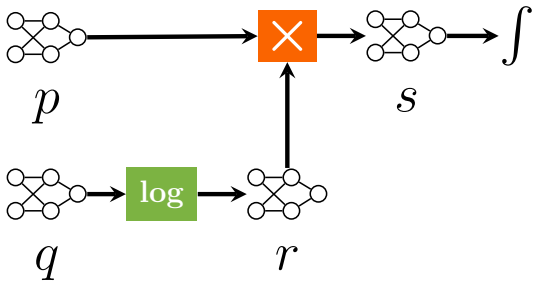
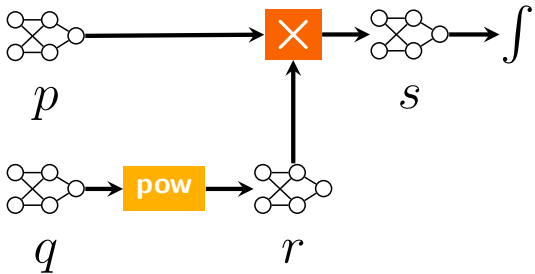


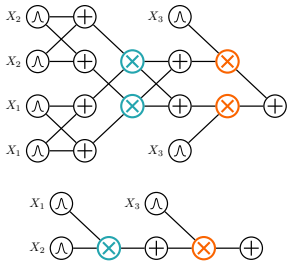
$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^m \sim p(\mathbf{x}^m|\mathbf{x}^o)} \left[q^{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}^m, \mathbf{x}^o) \right]$$



Compatibility

Two circuits are *compatible* if they have the same *hierarchical scope partitioning*

$\Rightarrow$ *generalizes "structured decomposability with same vtree"*



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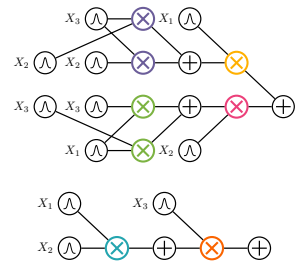

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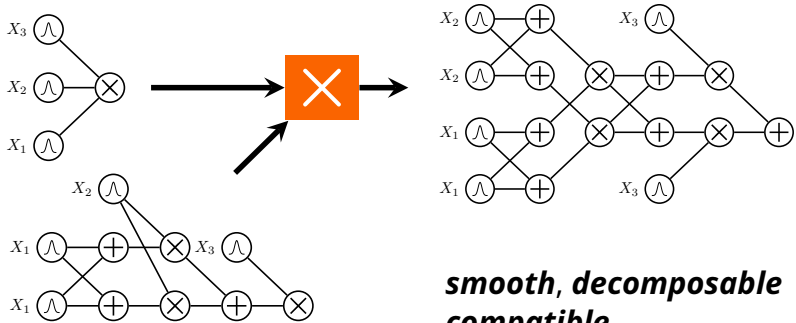
Tractable operators



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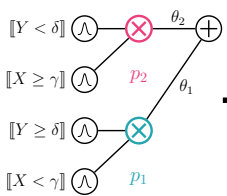

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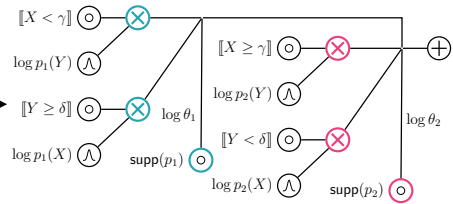

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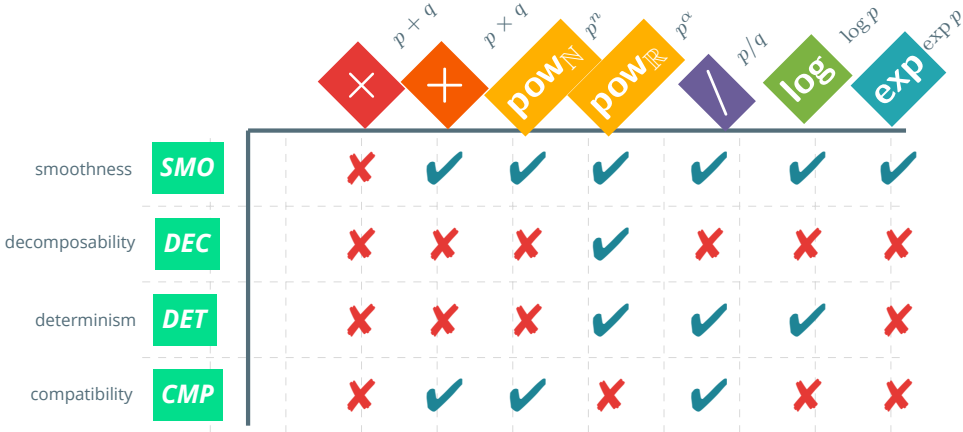
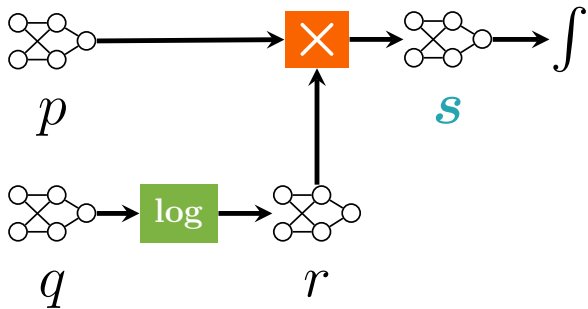
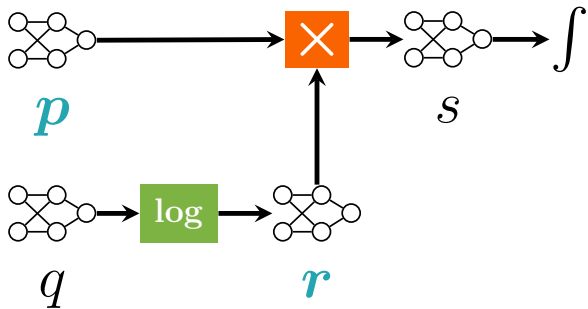


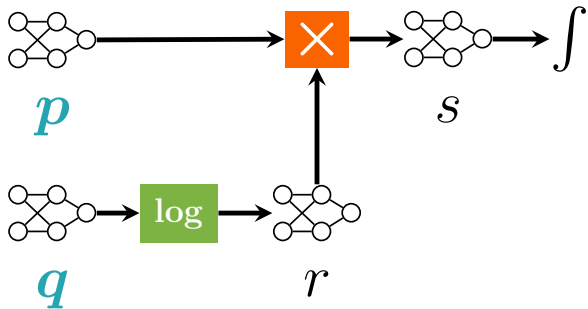
*Building an atlas of composable **tractable atomic operations***



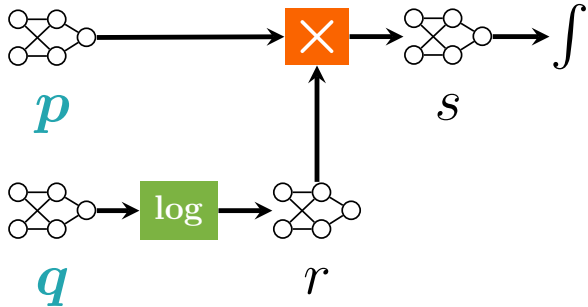
To perform tractable integration we need s to be ***smooth and decomposable...***



hence we need p and r to be smooth, decomposable and ***compatible***...



therefore q must be smooth, decomposable and ***deterministic***...



we can compute $\mathbb{XENT}$ tractably if $\boldsymbol{p}$ and $\boldsymbol{q}$ are smooth, decomposable, compatible and $\boldsymbol{q}$ is deterministic...

	Query	Tract. Conditions	Hardness
CROSS ENTROPY	$-\int p(\boldsymbol{x}) \log q(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{X}$	Cmp, q Det	#P-hard w/o Det
SHANNON ENTROPY	$-\sum p(\boldsymbol{x}) \log p(\boldsymbol{x})$	Sm, Dec, Det	coNP-hard w/o Det
RÉNYI ENTROPY	$(1-\alpha)^{-1} \log \int p^{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}) \, d\mathbf{X}, \alpha \in \mathbb{N}$	SD	#P-hard w/o SD
	$(1-\alpha)^{-1} \log \int p^{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}) \, d\mathbf{X}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$	Sm, Dec, Det	#P-hard w/o Det
MUTUAL INFORMATION	$\int p(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \log(p(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) / (p(\boldsymbol{x}) p(\boldsymbol{y})))$	Sm, SD, Det*	coNP-hard w/o SD
KULLBACK-LEIBLER DIV.	$\int p(\boldsymbol{x}) \log(p(\boldsymbol{x}) / q(\boldsymbol{x})) d\mathbf{X}$	Cmp, Det	#P-hard w/o Det
RÉNYI'S ALPHA DIV.	$(1-\alpha)^{-1} \log \int p^{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}) q^{1-\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}) \, d\mathbf{X}, \alpha \in \mathbb{N}$	Cmp, q Det	#P-hard w/o Det
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ITAKURA-SAITO DIV.	$\int [p(\boldsymbol{x}) / q(\boldsymbol{x}) - \log(p(\boldsymbol{x}) / q(\boldsymbol{x})) - 1] d\,\mathbf{X}$	Cmp, Det	#P-hard w/o Det
CAUCHY-SCHWARZ DIV.	$-\log \frac{\int p(\boldsymbol{x}) q(\boldsymbol{x}) d\mathbf{X}}{\sqrt{\int p^2(\boldsymbol{x}) d\mathbf{X} \int q^2(\boldsymbol{x}) d\mathbf{X}}}$	Cmp	#P-hard w/o Cmp
SQUARED LOSS	$\int (p(\boldsymbol{x}) - q(\boldsymbol{x}))^2 d\,\mathbf{X}$	Cmp	#P-hard w/o Cmp

compositionally *derive the tractability of many more queries*

Vergari *et al., "A Compositional Atlas of Tractable Circuit Operations: From Simple Transformations to Complex Information-Theoretic Queries", 2021*

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*and **prove hardness** when some input properties are not satisfied*

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Composable tractable sub-routines

```
function kld(p, q)
    r = quotient(p, q)
    s = log(r)
    t = product(p, s)
    return integrate(t)
end
```

```
function xent(p, q)
    r = log(q)
    s = product(p, r)
    return -integrate(s)
end
```

```
function ent(p)
    q = log(p)
    r = product(p, q)
    return -integrate(s)
end
```

```
function alphadiv(p, q, alpha=1.5)
    r = real_pow(p, alpha)
    s = real_pow(q, 1.0-alpha)
    t = product(r, s)
    return log(integrate(t)) / (1.0-alpha)
end
```

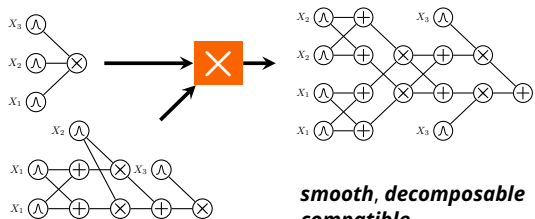
Efficient inference algorithms ***in a couple lines of Julia code!*** [2]

[2] https://github.com/UCLA-StarAI/circuit-ops-atlas

Next up...

1. Learning and reasoning with symbolic constraints
2. Expected predictions: handling missing values, fairness
3. Exact inference of causal effects

$\Rightarrow$ *using tractable operators*



smooth*, *decomposable
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Symbolic constraints

"How can neural nets reason and learn with symbolic constraints reliably and efficiently?"

When?

Ground Truth

e.g. predict shortest path in a map

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given $\mathbf{x}$ *// e.g. a tile map*

structured output prediction (SOP) tasks

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// for a 12×12 *grid,* 2^{144} *states but only* 10^{10} *valid ones!*

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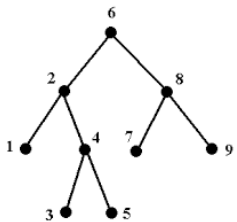


given $\mathbf{x}$ *// e.g. a feature map*

find $\mathbf{y}^* = \text{argmax}_{\mathbf{y}}\, p_\theta(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{x})$ *// e.g. labels of classes*

s.t. $\mathbf{y} \models \mathsf{K}$ *// e.g., constraints over superclasses*

$\mathsf{K} : (Y_{\mathsf{cat}} \implies Y_{\mathsf{animal}}) \wedge (Y_{\mathsf{dog}} \implies Y_{\mathsf{animal}})$

hierarchical multi-label classification

Giunchiglia and Lukasiewicz, "Coherent hierarchical multi-label classification networks", 2020

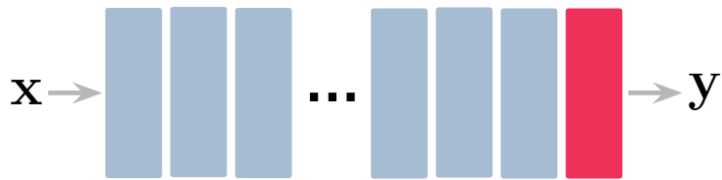
When?

Ground Truth

ResNet-18

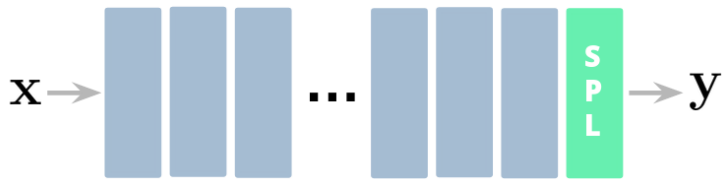
neural nets struggle to satisfy domain constraints!

How?



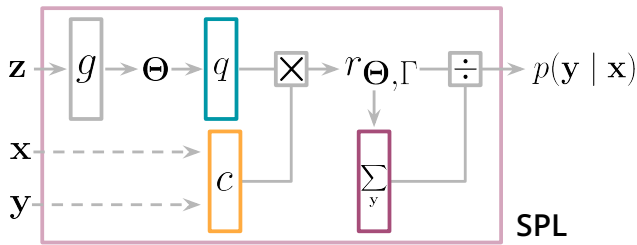
take an unreliable neural network architecture...

How?



.....and replace the last layer with a semantic probabilistic layer

SPL



$q_{\Theta}(\mathbf{y} \mid g(\mathbf{z}))$ is an expressive distribution over labels

$c_{\mathsf{K}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ encodes the constraint $\mathbb{1}\{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \models \mathsf{K}\}$

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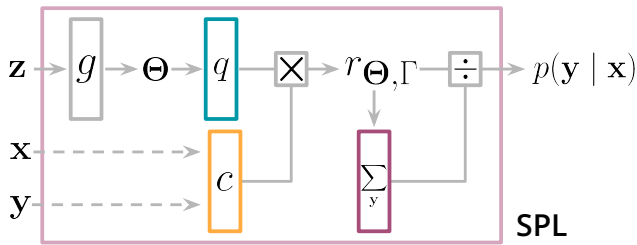

$$p(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{x}) = q_{\Theta}(\mathbf{y} \mid g(\mathbf{z})) \cdot c_{\mathsf{K}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) / \mathcal{Z}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathcal{Z}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{y}} q_{\Theta}(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{x}) \cdot c_{\mathsf{K}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

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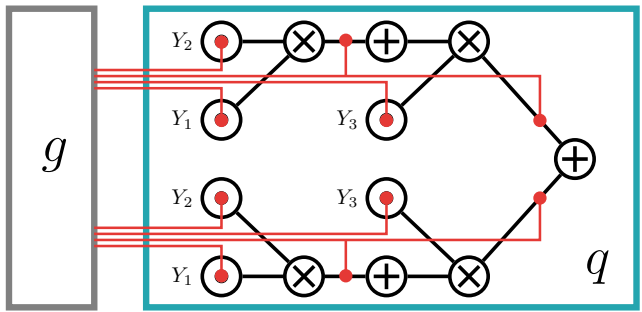

a conditional circuit $q(\mathbf{y}; \Theta = g(\mathbf{z}))$

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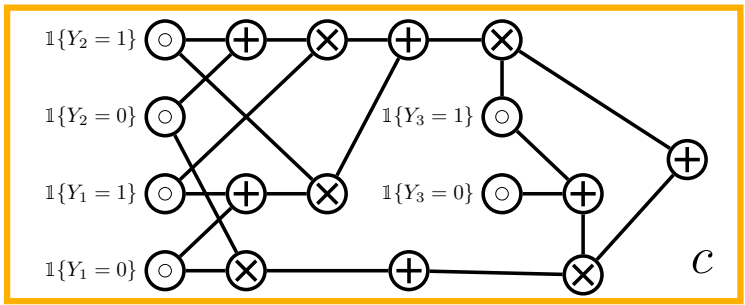
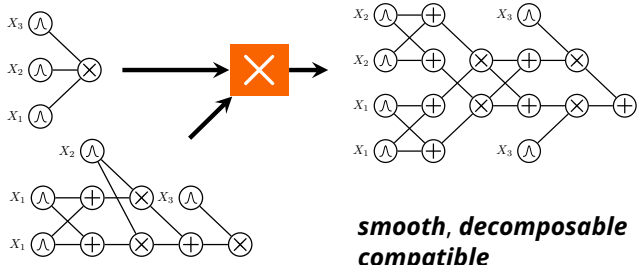


and a logical circuit $c(\mathrm{y}, \mathrm{x})$ **encoding** K

Tractable products



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exactly compute $\mathcal{Z}$ in time $O(|q||c|)$

SPL recipe

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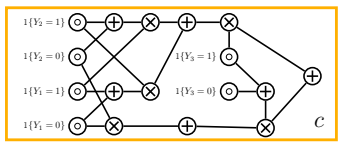

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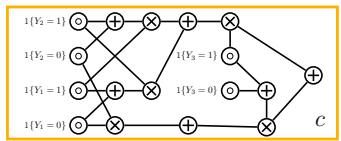

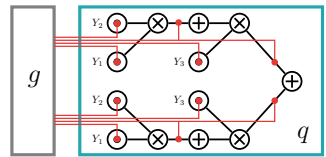

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3) Multiply it by a circuit distribution

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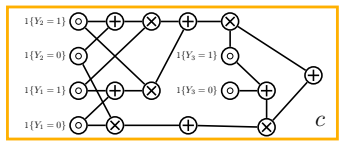

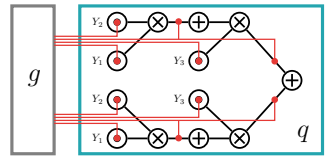

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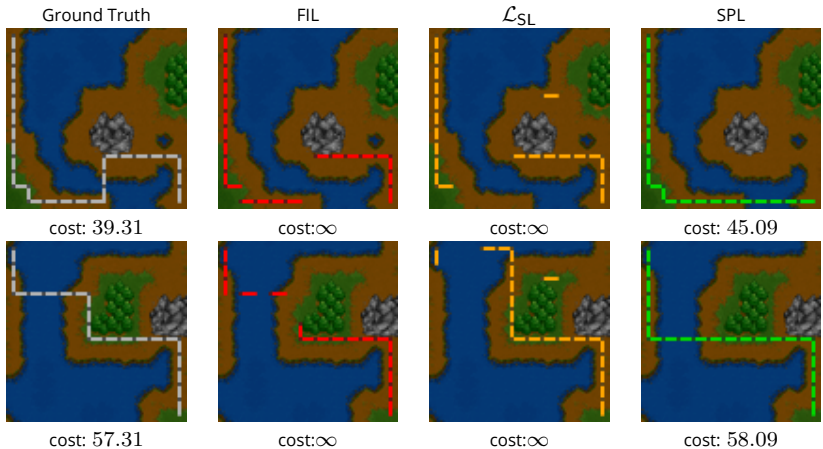

Expected predictions

Reasoning about the output of a classifier or regressor $\boldsymbol{f}$ given a distribution $\boldsymbol{p}$ over the input features

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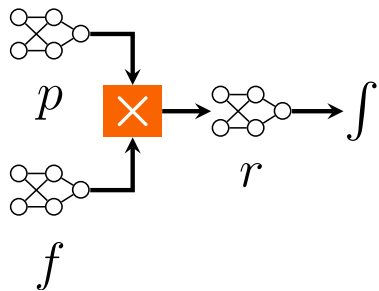

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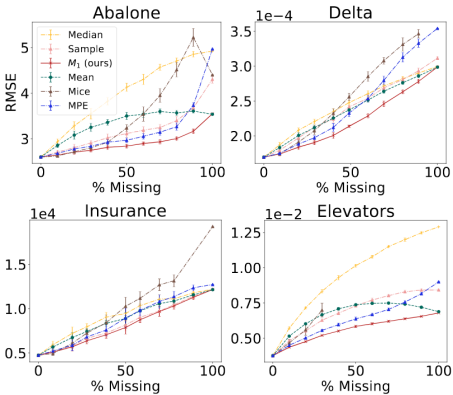

Given a partial observation $\mathbf{x}^o$, what is the expected output from f?

$$\mathop{\mathbb{E}}_{\mathbf{x}^m \sim p(\mathbf{x}^m | \mathbf{x}^o)} \left[f(\mathbf{x}^m, \mathbf{x}^o) \right]$$

Khosravi et al., "On Tractable Computation of Expected Predictions", 2019

Fairness analysis

```
using ProbabilisticCircuits
pc = load_prob_circuit(zoo_psdd_file("insurance.psdd"));
rc = load_logistic_circuit(zoo_lc_file("insurance.circuit"), 1);
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q: *Is the predictive model biased by gender?*

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groups = make_observations([["male"], ["female"]])
exps, _ = Expectation(pc, rc, groups);
println("Female  : \$ $(exps[2])");
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https://github.com/Juice-jl/

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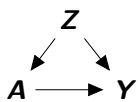

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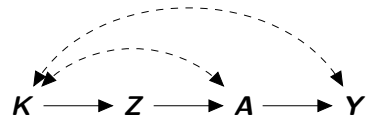

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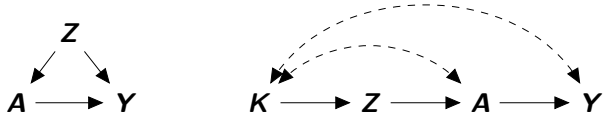

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- Given causal diagram G, can derive expressions for causal effect $p(\boldsymbol{Y}|\boldsymbol{A})$ using *do-calculus* (Pearl 1995).

$$\sum_{\boldsymbol{Z}} p(\boldsymbol{Z}) p(\boldsymbol{Y}|\boldsymbol{A}, \boldsymbol{Z})$$

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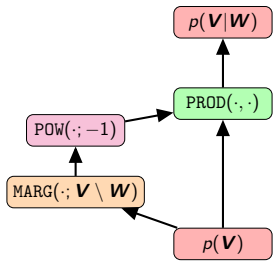

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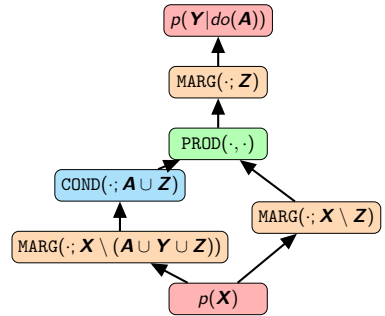

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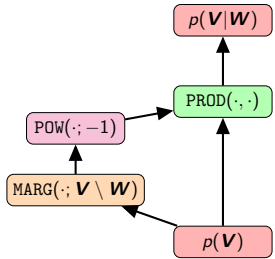

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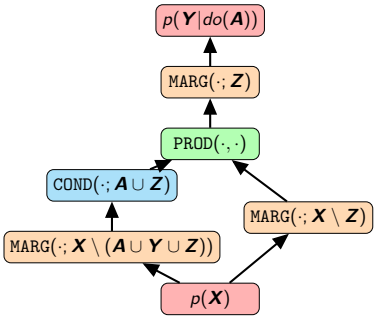

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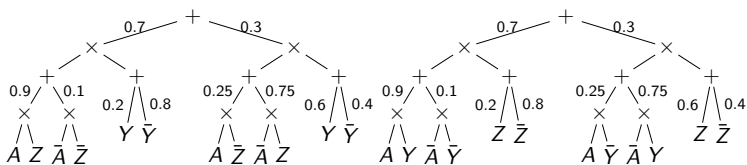

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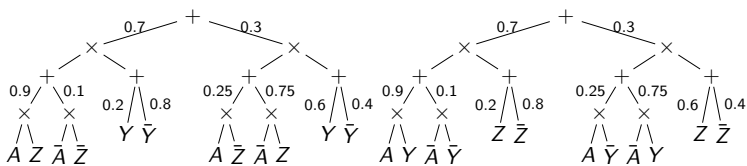

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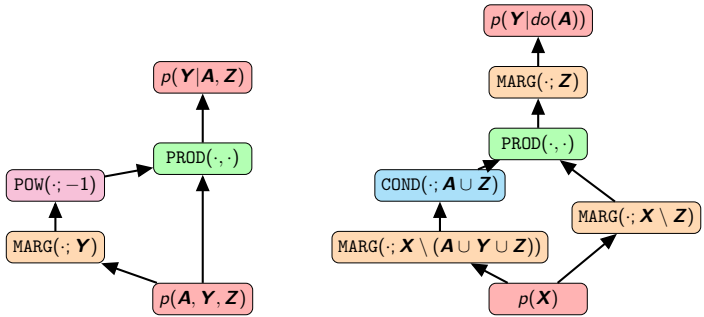

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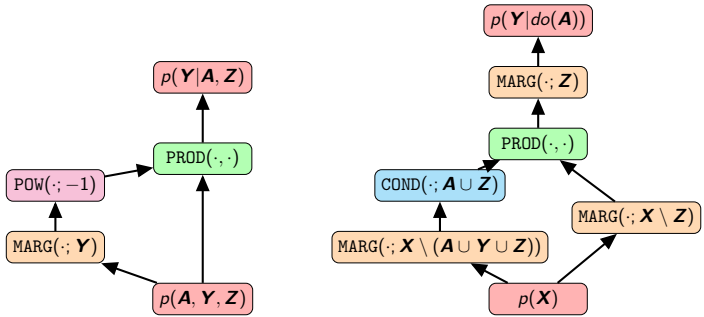

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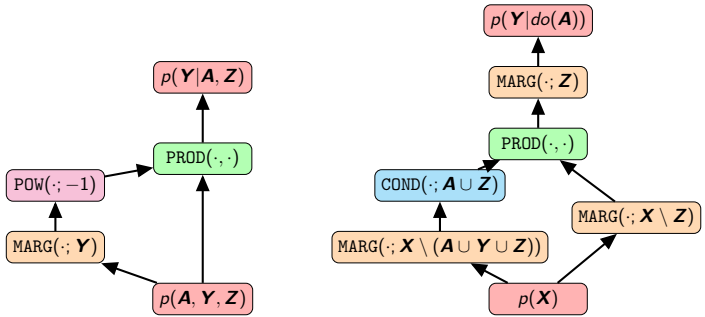

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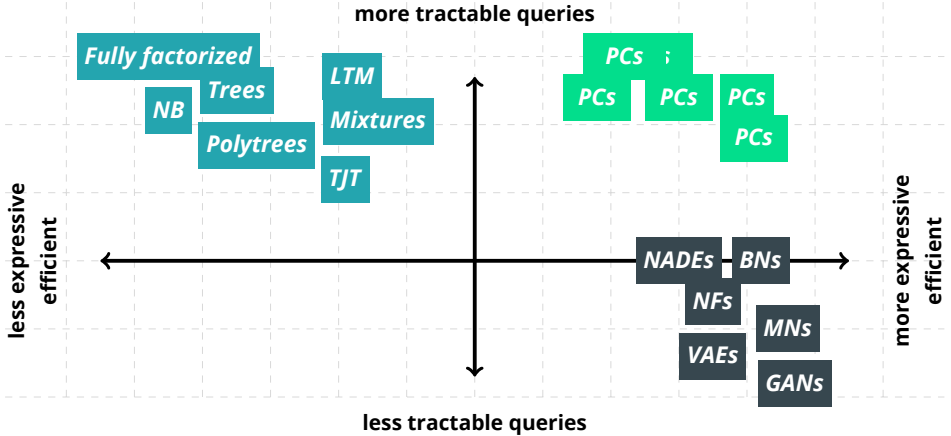

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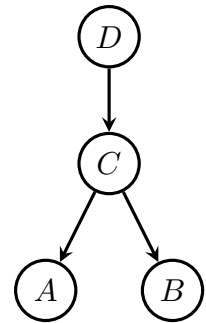

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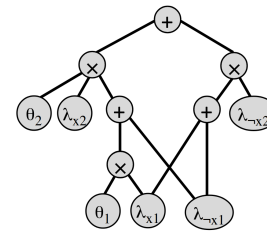

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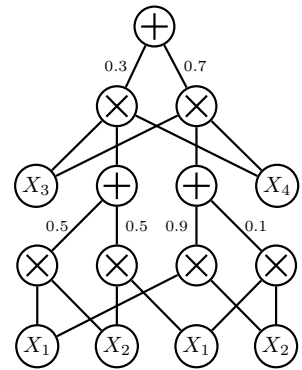

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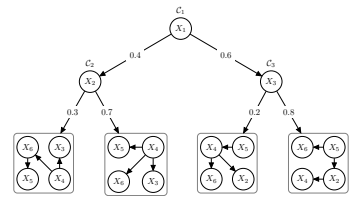

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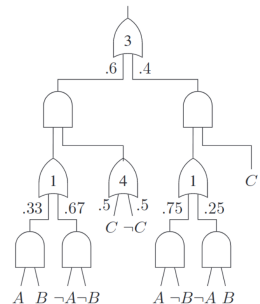

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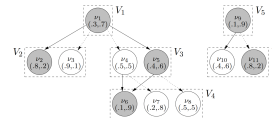

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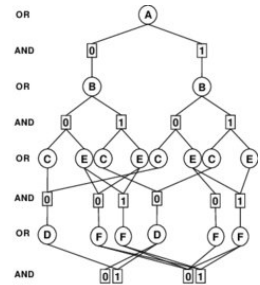

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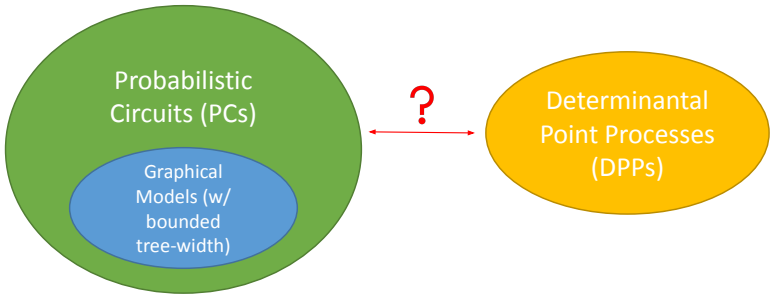

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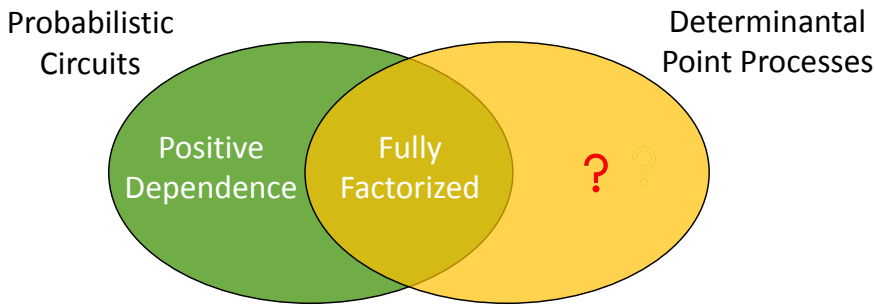

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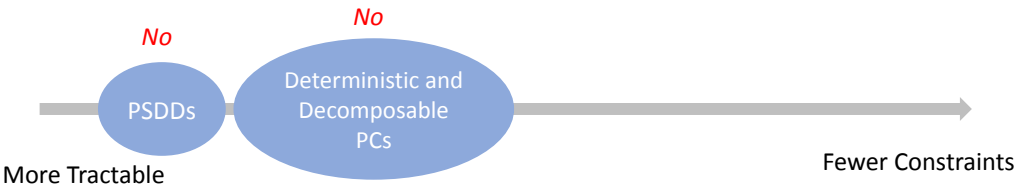

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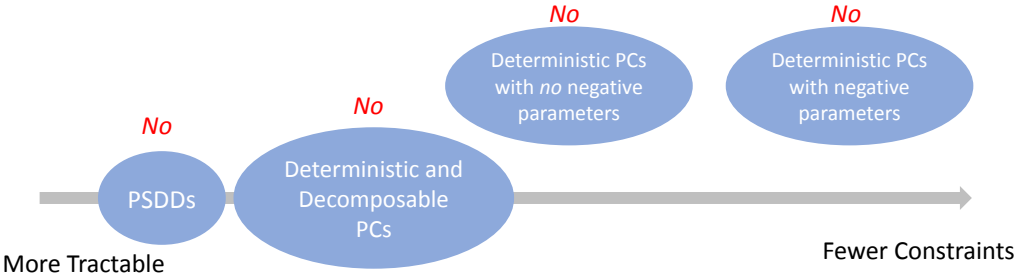

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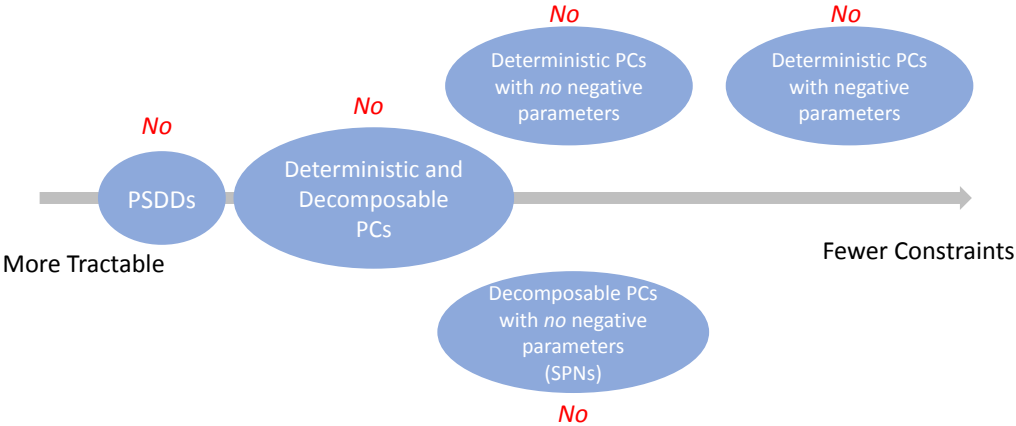

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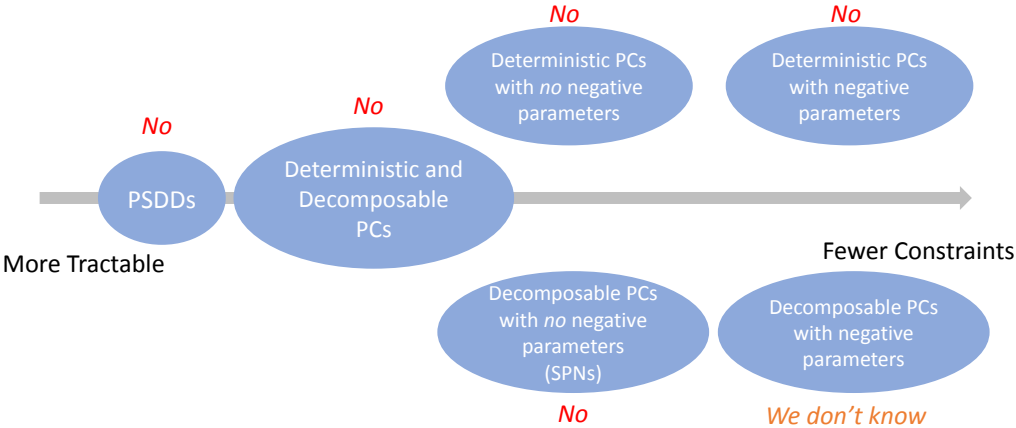

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Based on arithmetic circuit lower bounds by Ran Raz and Amir Yehudayoff

Decomposable PCs are **Syntactically Multilinear** Arithmetic Circuits:

Definition 7 (Multilinear Arithmetic Circuit) If every node of an arithmetic circuit Φ over y computes a multilinear polynomial in y, Φ is said to be a *(semantically) multilinear arithmetic circuit*. And if for every product node in Φ, the scopes of its child nodes are pair-wise disjoint, Φ is said to be a *syntactically multilinear arithmetic circuit*.

DPPs have No Compact Decomposable PCs

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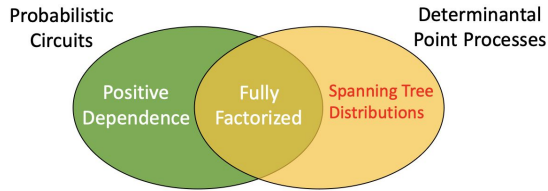

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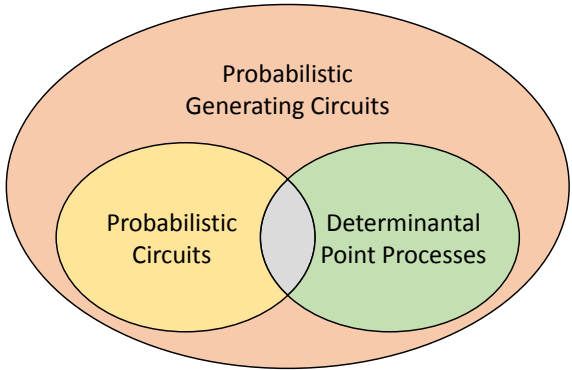

A Tractable Unifying Framework for PCs and DPPs

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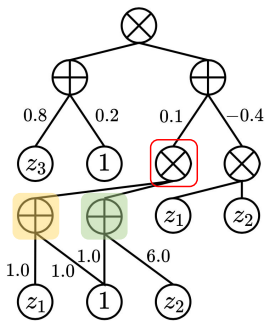

1. Sum nodes ⊕ with weighted edges to children.
2. Product nodes ⊗ with unweighted edges to children.
3. Leaf nodes: z_i or constant.

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PCs as PGCs

(Smooth & Decomposable) PCs represents probability mass functions:

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Given a smooth & decomposable PC, by setting $\overline{X_i}$ to 1, and X_i to z_i, we obtain a PGC that represents the PC.

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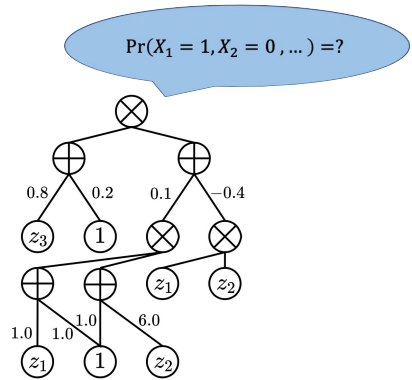
Tractable Likelihood (EVID) or Marginals (MAR)?



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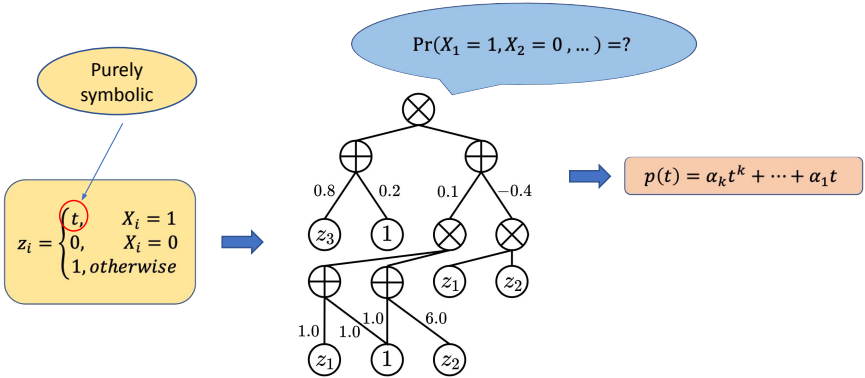

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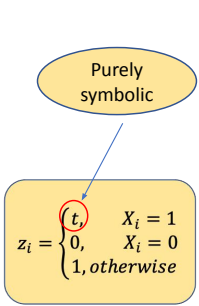

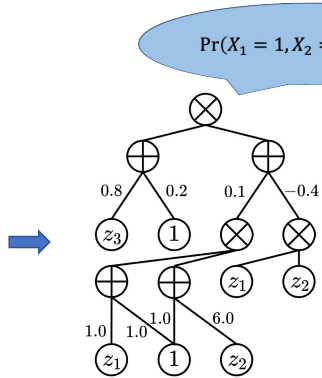

$p(t) = \alpha_k t^k + \cdots + \alpha_1 t$

- Monomials setting to true variables that must be false are 0-ed out
- Other monomials contribute to result.
- Only monomials that set all required variables to true have max degree.
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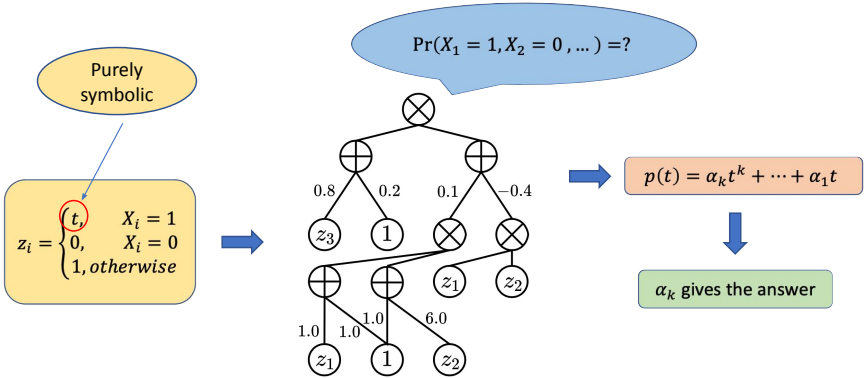

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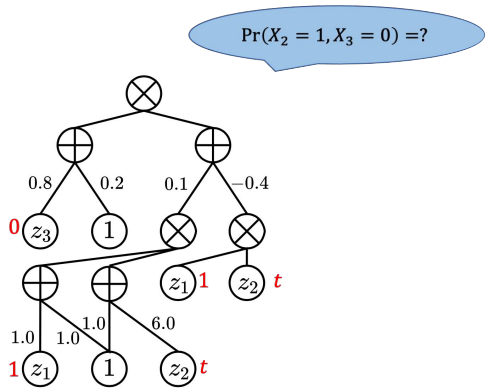

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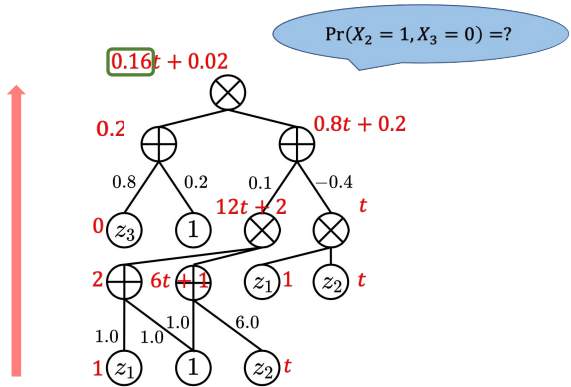

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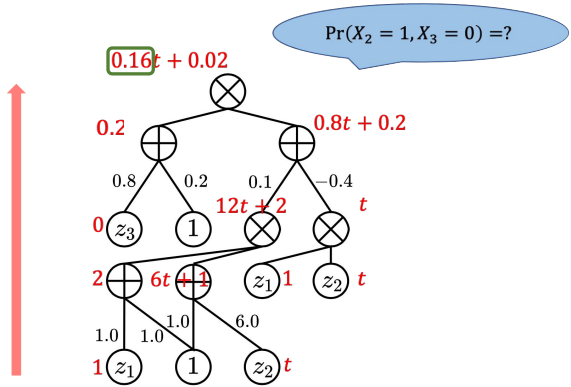

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Algorithm 2 (*Harviainen et al., UAI 2023*):

observation: the output of a PGC is a degree-n polynomial w/ respect to t

Bottom-up pass w/ t = 0, 1, …, n + Polynomial interpolation at t = 0, 1, …, n = $O(mn)$

Syntactic vs. Semantic Restrictions

- \+ PGCs are tractable when semantically multilinear
  - \+ No need for PC decomposability/syntactic multilinearity or other properties…
- \- Checking Validity of PGCs is Hard

> Theorem (*Harviainen et al.*). It is NP-hard to check if a PGC encodes a valid probability generating polynomial

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(Samuelson-Berkowitz algorithm)

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Experiment Results: Amazon Baby Registries

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bath	-8.55	-8.38	-8.49	-8.53	$\mathbf{-8.29}^{*\dagger\circ}$
bedding	-8.65	-8.50	-8.55	-8.59	$\mathbf{-8.41}^{*\dagger\circ}$
carseats	-4.74	-4.79	-4.72	-4.76	$\mathbf{-4.64}^{*\dagger\circ}$
diaper	-10.61	-9.90	-9.86	-9.93	$\mathbf{-9.72}^{*\dagger\circ}$
feeding	-11.86	-11.42	-11.27	-11.30	$\mathbf{-11.17}^{*\dagger\circ}$
furniture	-4.38	-4.39	-4.38	-4.43	$\mathbf{-4.34}^{*\dagger\circ}$
gear	-9.14	-9.15	-9.18	-9.23	$\mathbf{-9.04}^{*\dagger\circ}$
gifts	-3.51	$\mathbf{-3.39}$	-3.42	-3.48	-3.47°
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media	-8.36	$\mathbf{-7.62}$	-7.82	-7.93	$-7.69^{\dagger\circ}$
moms	-3.55	-3.52	$\mathbf{-3.48}$	-3.54	-3.53°
safety	-4.28	-4.43	-4.39	-4.36	$\mathbf{-4.28}^{*\dagger\circ}$
strollers	-5.30	-5.07	-5.07	-5.14	$\mathbf{-5.00}^{*\dagger\circ}$
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SimplePGC achieves SOTA result on 11/15 datasets

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Beyond DPPs: Strongly Rayleigh Distributions

DPPs are strongly Rayleigh distributions

Definition. *A probability distribution over binary random variables $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ (or equivalently, subsets of $[n] := \{1, 2, \ldots, n\}$) is strongly Rayleigh if its probability generating polynomial g is real-stable; that is, for $z_i \in \mathbb{C}$, if $Im(z_i) > 0$ for all z_i, then $g(z_1, \cdots, z_n) \neq 0$.*

We can efficiently sample from strongly Rayleigh distributions by MCMC (with polynomial bound on mixing time)

Efficient Sampling from SR Distributions

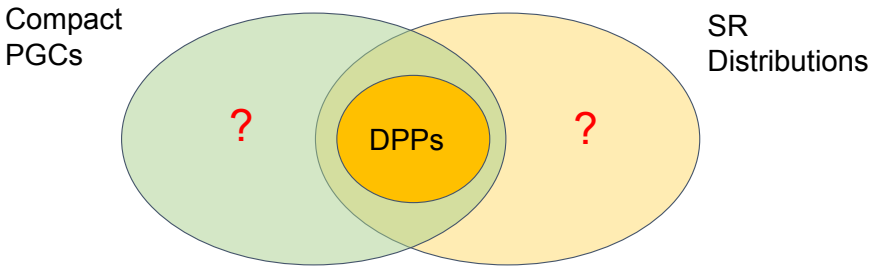
Theorem (Li et al., 2016). *Let π be a strongly Rayleigh distribution over $[n]$, we can efficiently sample from π by sampling from its symmetric homogenization π_{sh}; for $S \subset [2n]$, define*

$$\pi_{sh}(S) := \begin{cases} \pi(S \cap [n]) \binom{n}{S \cap [n]}^{-1}, & \text{if } |S| = n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

in particular, π_{sh} is also strongly Rayleigh and the mixing time of a Gibbs-exchange sampler with initial set S_0 is bounded as

$$\tau(\epsilon) \leq 2n^2 \left(\log \binom{n}{|S_0|} + \log \pi(S_0)^{-1} + \log \epsilon^{-1} \right)$$

Relationship between PGCs and SR Distributions



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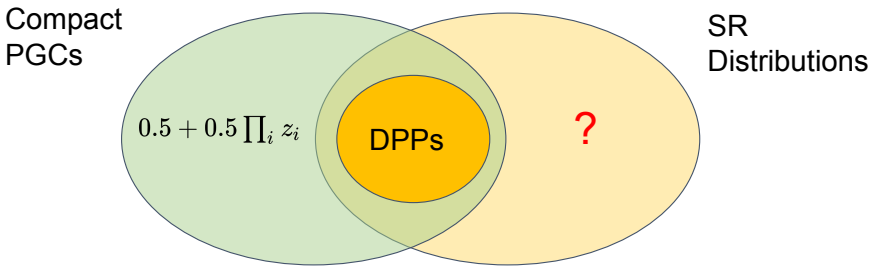

Not All SR Distributions have Compact PGCs (Bläser 2023)

Let $K_{m,n} = (U \cup V, E)$ be a complete bipartite graph, the signed double function generating polynomial is defined as

$$DF_{m,n}(e) = \sum_{F,H} (-1)^{|F|+|H|} \prod_{(i,j)\in F} e_{i,j} \prod_{(i',j')\in H} e_{i',j'}$$

where the sum is taken over all partial functions $U \to V$ and $V \to U$, respectively. Each pair of (F, H) is a double function of $K_{m,n}$.

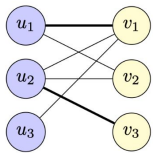

Figure 4. The thick edges are a matching of size two.

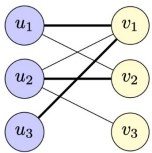

Figure 5. The thick edges form a total function $U \to V$, which is not injective.

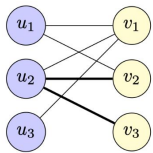

Figure 6. The thick edges form a partial function from V to U.

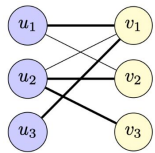

Figure 7. A double function.

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Generalize to bipartite multigraph $K_{m,n}^{(d)}$

d: each edge from U to V has d copies

$$DF_{m,n}^{(d)}(e^{(d)}) = \sum_{F,H} (-1)^{|F|+|H|} \prod_{(i,j)\in F\setminus H} \sum_{\delta=1}^{d} e_{i,j}^{(\delta)} \prod_{(i',j')\in H\cap F} \sum_{1\le\delta'<\gamma\le d} e_{i',j'}^{(\delta')} e_{i',j'}^{(\gamma)} \prod_{(i'',j'')\in H\setminus F} \sum_{\delta''=1}^{d} e_{i'',j''}^{(\delta'')}$$

$DF_{n,n}^{(n+2)}$ is real-stable and its evaluation is #P-hard.

$DF_{n,n}^{(n+2)}$ *does not* define an SR distribution as it has negative coefficients

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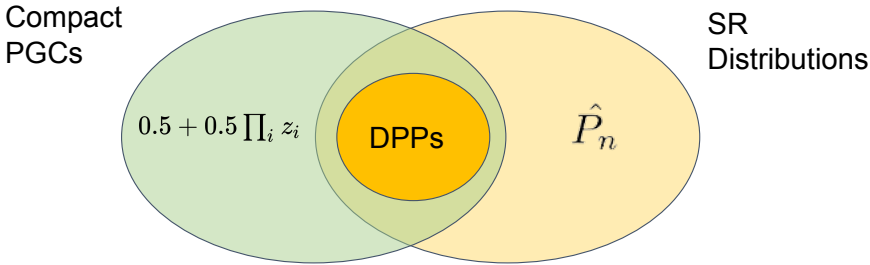
Definition. *For a polynomial $f(z_1, \ldots, z_n)$ with z_i of degree k_i, the inversion of f is defined as $\prod_i {z_i}^{k_i} f(-1/z_1, \ldots, -1/z_i, \ldots, -1/z_n)$.*

The inversion of a real stable polynomial is also real stable

Let P_n be the inversion of $DF_{n,n}^{(n+2)}$, then P_n is a mutilinear and real stable polynomial with all coefficients non-negative.

Theorem (Bläser, 2023)**.** *Assuming $P^{\#P} \not\subseteq P/Poly$. Let $\hat{P}_n$ be the normalized P_n, then $\hat{P}_n$ cannot be represented as polynomial-size PGCs.*

Relationship between PGCs and SR Distributions



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Building Probabilistic Circuits

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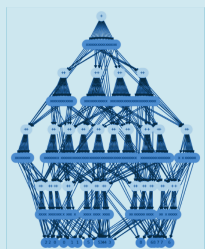
Circuits

Structure



Parameters

$\boldsymbol{\theta}$, $\boldsymbol{w}$

decomposability
smoothness
determinism
compatibility

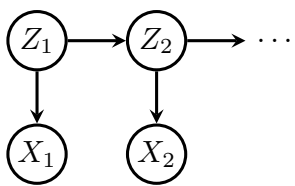
generative
discriminative
Bayesian
credal

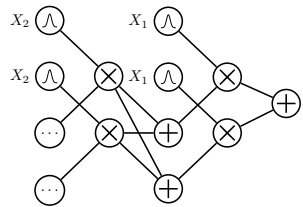
Origins: Compilation

Compiling probabilistic graphical models

Arithmetic circuits *(Darwiche 2002, 2003, 2009)*

- Compile a given Bayesian network into an **arithmetic circuit**—a smooth, decomposable and deterministic PCs
- Either via logic encoding of Bayesian network + knowledge compilation
- Or record "execution trace" (sum and product operations) of traditional inference algorithms (junction tree, variable elimination)





Compilation

Selected references

Logic circuits, interplay between structural properties and tractable reasoning

(Darwiche et al. 2002a)

Converting probabilistic graphical models via knowledge compilation

(Darwiche 2002)

Logic circuit compilers

(Darwiche 2004; Muise et al. 2012; Bova et al. 2015; Lagniez et al. 2017; Oztok et al. 2018)

Neuro-symbolic models using logic circuits

(Ahmed et al. 2022a,b)

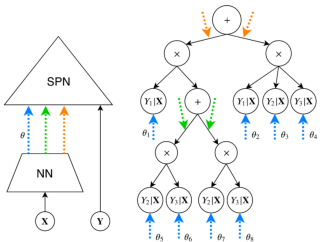
Parameter Learning

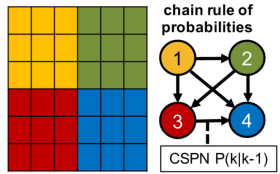
Gradient descent (of course)

- PCs are computational graphs
- Hence we can just learn them as any other neural net using SGD
- Use re-parameterization if parameters should satisfy constraints:
  - soft-max for sum-weights (non-negative, sum-to-one)
  - soft-plus for variances
  - low-rank plus diagonal for covariance matrices
- Allows for conditional distributions

Conditional PCs

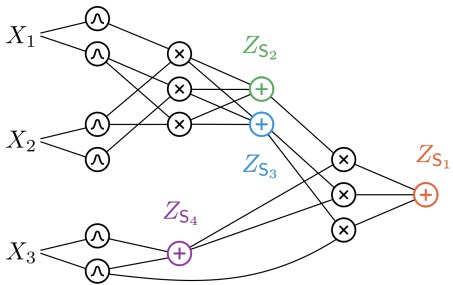
(Shao et al. 2019)

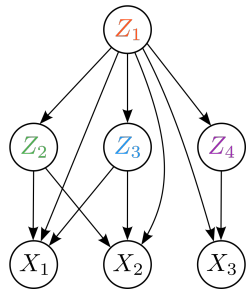




Maximum likelihood (frequentist)

PCs can be interpreted as ***hierarchical latent variable models***, where each sum node corresponds to a discrete latent variable *(Peharz et al. 2016).* This allows to perform **classical maximum-likelihood** estimation.





Closed-form maximum likelihood

When the circuit is **deterministic**, there is even an ***closed-form ML solution***, which is incredible fast:

```
julia> using ProbabilisticCircuits;
julia> data, structure = load(...);
julia> num_examples(data)
17412
julia> num_edges(structure)
270448
julia> @btime estimate_parameters(structure, data);
  63.585 ms (1182350 allocations: 65.97 MiB)
```

Custom SIMD and CUDA kernels to parallelize over layers and training examples.

https://github.com/Juice-jl/

Expectation-Maximization

When the PC is not deterministic, we can still apply ***expectation-maximization*** *(Peharz et al. 2016).* EM can piggy-back on autodiff:

```
train_x, valid_x, test_x = get_mnist_images([7])

graph = Graph.poon_domingos_structure(shape=(28,28), delta=[7])
args = EinsumNetwork.Args(num_var=train_x.shape[1], num_dims=1,
                          num_classes=1, num_sums=28,
                          num_input_distributions=28,
                          exponential_family=EinsumNetwork.BinomialArray,
                          exponential_family_args={'N':255},
                          online_em_frequency=1, online_em_stepsize=0.05)

PC = EinsumNetwork.EinsumNetwork(graph, args)
PC.initialize()
PC.to('cuda')
```

https://github.com/cambridge-mlg/EinsumNetworks

Expectation-Maximization

```
for epoch_count in range(10):
    train_ll, valid_ll, test_ll = compute_loglikelihood()
    start_t = time.time()

    for idx in get_batches(train_x, 100):
        outputs = PC.forward(train_x[idx, :])
        log_likelihood = EinsumNetwork.log_likelihoods(outputs).sum()
        log_likelihood.backward()
        PC.em_process_batch()

    print_performance(epoch_count, train_ll, valid_ll, test_ll, time.time() - start_t)
```

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Expectation-Maximization

```
# train sample: 5175
# parameters: 1573486

[epoch 0]   train LL -140936.80   valid LL -140955.72   test LL -141033.80   ... elapsed time 3.621 sec
[epoch 1]   train LL  -15916.14   valid LL  -15693.25   test LL  -15976.43   ... elapsed time 3.438 sec
[epoch 2]   train LL  -10865.67   valid LL  -10616.72   test LL  -10943.56   ... elapsed time 3.436 sec
[epoch 3]   train LL  -10388.53   valid LL  -10158.84   test LL  -10475.49   ... elapsed time 3.473 sec
[epoch 4]   train LL  -10264.11   valid LL  -10041.66   test LL  -10352.59   ... elapsed time 3.497 sec
[epoch 5]   train LL  -10212.66   valid LL  -10001.09   test LL  -10319.35   ... elapsed time 3.584 sec
[epoch 6]   train LL  -10192.21   valid LL   -9965.98   test LL  -10314.84   ... elapsed time 3.508 sec
[epoch 7]   train LL  -10153.97   valid LL   -9920.09   test LL  -10261.41   ... elapsed time 3.446 sec
[epoch 8]   train LL  -10112.95   valid LL   -9882.48   test LL  -10236.34   ... elapsed time 3.579 sec
[epoch 9]   train LL  -10093.31   valid LL   -9862.15   test LL  -10200.94   ... elapsed time 3.483 sec
```

Peharz et al., "Einsum Networks: Fast and Scalable Learning of Tractable Probabilistic Circuits", 2020

Structure Learning

Region graphs

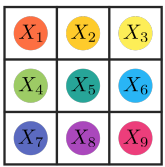
Laying out the PC structure on a high level

- Region graphs (RGs) describe decompositional structure
- RGs are *bipartite, directed graphs* containing *regions* ($\mathcal{R}$) and *partitions* ($\mathcal{P}$)
- Input and output nodes of the RG are regions
- Regions have a *scope* (receptive field), denoted as $sc(\mathcal{R}) \subseteq \mathbf{X}$
- For every partition $\mathcal{P}$ it holds that

$$sc(\mathcal{R}_{out}) = \bigcup_{\mathcal{R}_{in} \in inputs(\mathcal{P})} sc(\mathcal{R}_{in})$$

$$sc(\mathcal{R}') \cap sc(\mathcal{R}'') = \emptyset, \qquad \mathcal{R}' \neq \mathcal{R}'' \in inputs(\mathcal{P})$$

Example region graph



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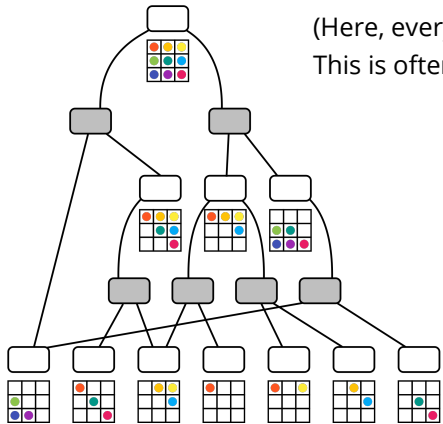
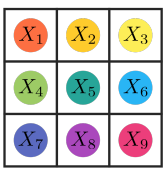


(Here, every partition has 2 input regions.
This is often assumed, but not necessary.)

From region graphs to PCs



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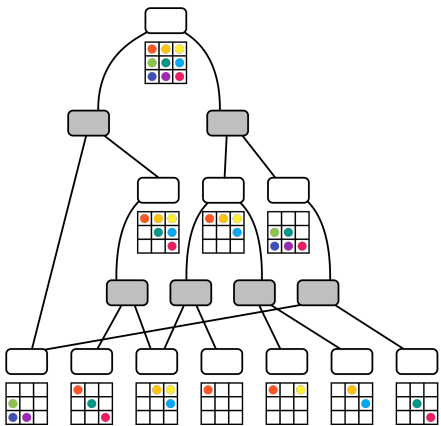

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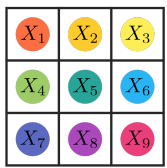
Equip each input region with non-linear units

$\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_K$



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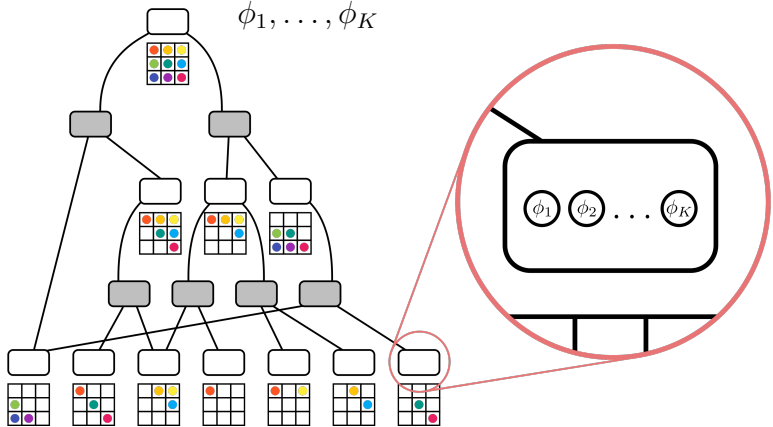
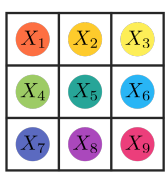


From region graphs to PCs

Equip each internal region with sum nodes



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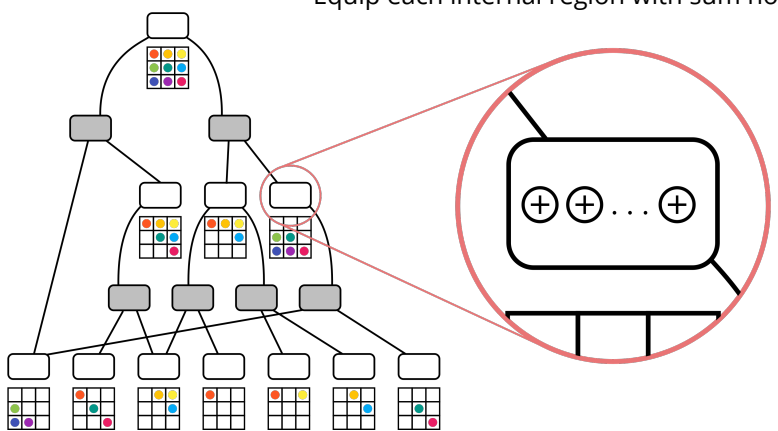

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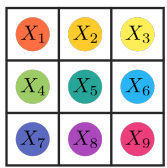

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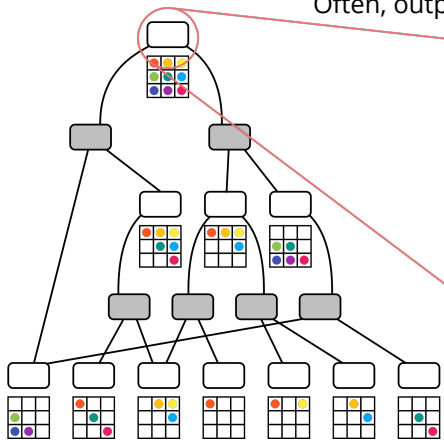

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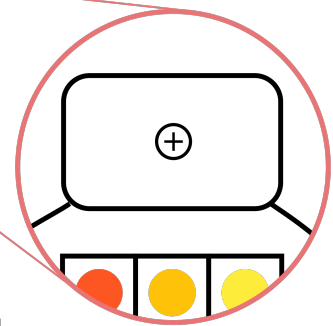

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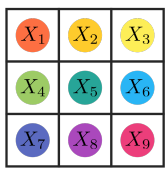

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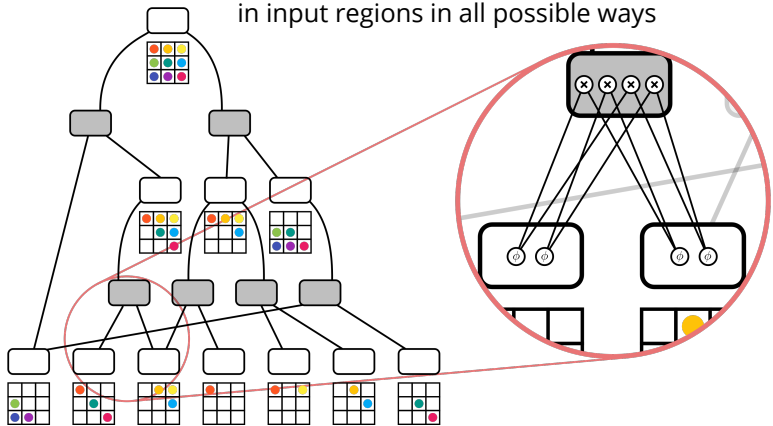

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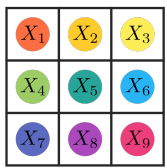

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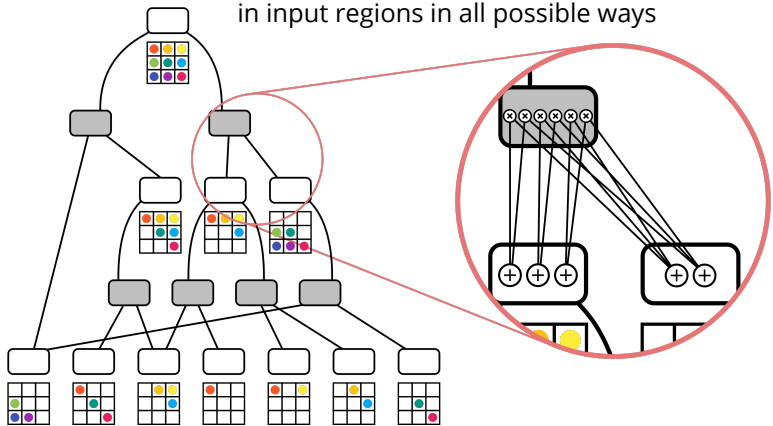

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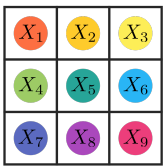

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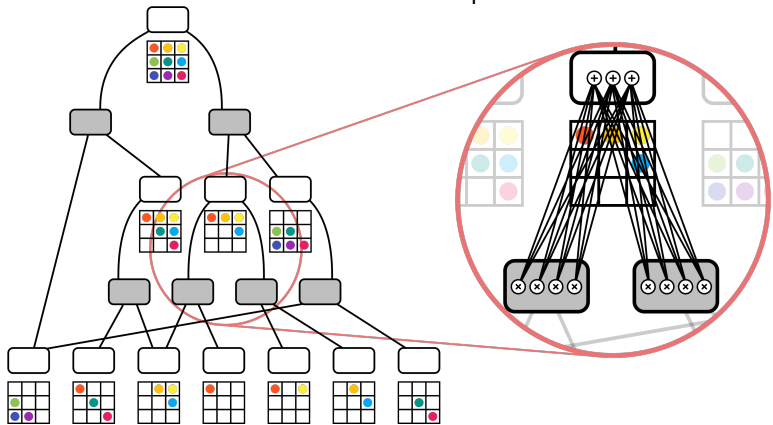
Connect products to sum units above



From region graphs to PCs

- Equip each *input region* (leaf) $\mathcal{R}$ with K units $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_K$, which are non-linear functions over $sc(\mathcal{R})$. Usually, $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_K$ are probability densities. K can be different for each input region.
- Equip *each other region* with K sum units. K can be different for each internal region. Often, for the root region $K = 1$, when PC is used as density estimator.
- Equip each *partition* $\mathcal{P}$ with as many products as there are combinations of units in the input regions to $\mathcal{P}$, selecting one unit from each region. Formally, if $\mathcal{P}$ has input regions $\mathcal{R}_1, \mathcal{R}_2 \ldots, \mathcal{R}_I$, insert one product $\prod_{i=1}^{I} u_i$ for each $(u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_I) \in \mathcal{R}_1 \times \mathcal{R}_2 \times \cdots \times \mathcal{R}_I$.
- Connect each $\prod_{i=1}^{I} u_i$ in $\mathcal{P}$ to all sum units in the output regions of $\mathcal{P}$.

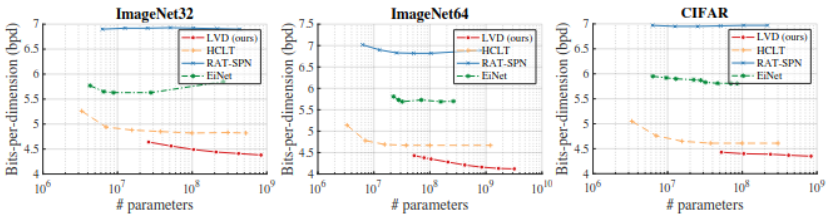
From region graphs to PCs

- Resulting PC has alternating sum and product units (not a strong constraint)
- We can easily scale the PC (overparameterize, increase expressivity) by equipping regions with more units
- RGs can be seen as a *vectorized version of PCs* – each region and partition can be seen as as a module
- Resulting PC will be *smooth and decomposable*, i.e., we can integrate, marginalize, and take conditionals
- After the PC has been constructed, we might discard the RG

Scaling up image models

Latent Variable Distillation

Dataset	TPMs				DGMs		
	LVD (ours)	HCLT	EiNet	RAT-SPN	Glow	RealNVP	BIVA
ImageNet32	**4.38**	4.82	5.63	6.90	4.09	4.28	3.96
ImageNet64	**4.12**	4.67	5.69	6.82	3.81	3.98	-
CIFAR	**4.37**	4.61	5.81	6.95	3.35	3.49	3.08



Liu et al., "Scaling Up Probabilistic Circuits by Latent Variable Distillation", 2022

How to construct and learn RGs?

Random regions graphs

The "no-learning" option *(Peharz et al. 2019)*

Generating a random region graph, by recursively splitting $\mathbf{X}$ into two random parts:

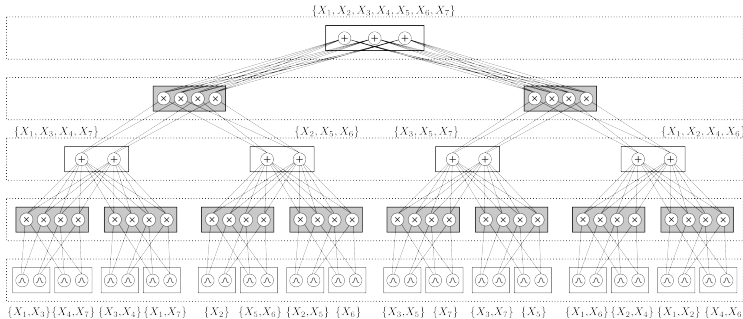
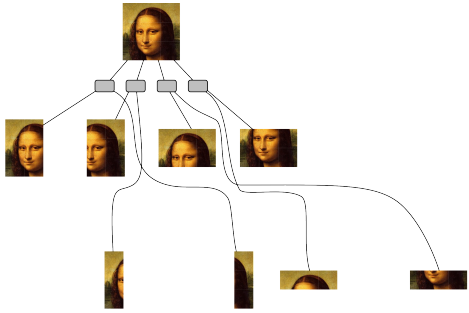


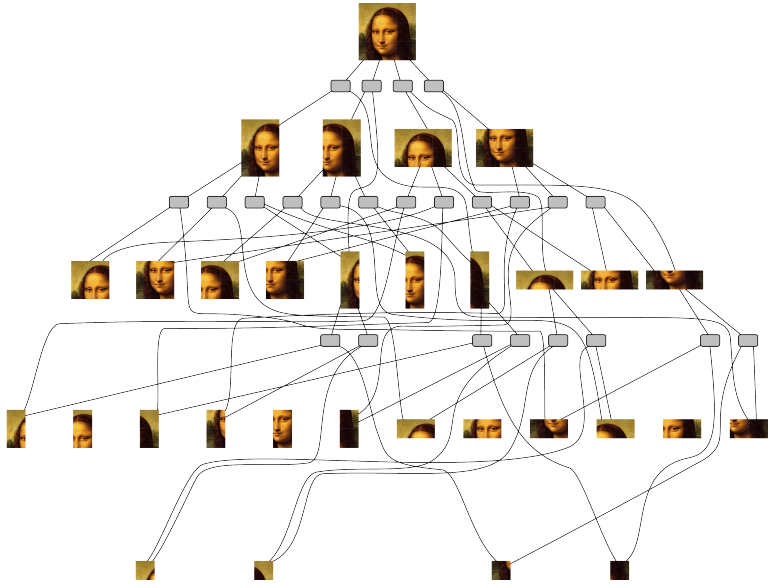
Image-tailored circuit structure

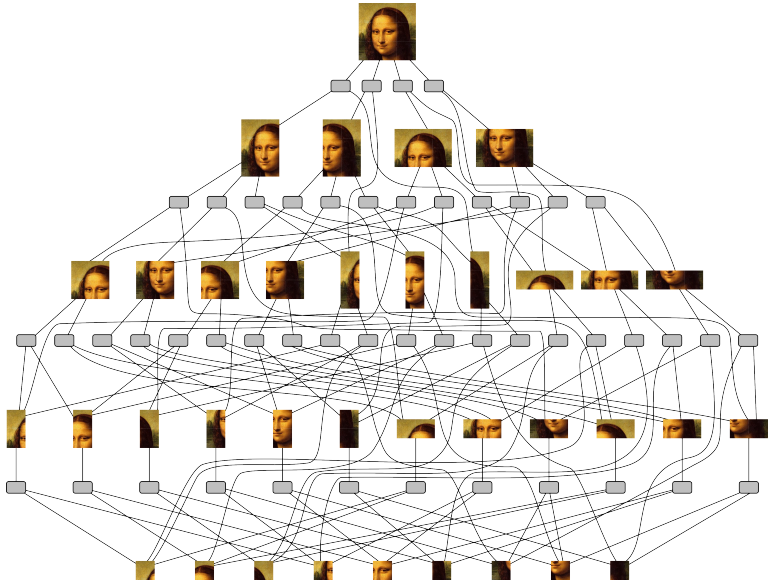
"Recursive image slicing" *(Poon et al. 2011)*

Images yield a natural region graph by using *axis-aligned splits*:

- Start with the full image (=output region)
- Define partitions by applying *horizontal* and *vertical* splits
- Recurse on the newly generated sub-images (internal regions)
- Structure somewhat reminiscent to convolutions
- Generates RGs which are "true DAGs," i.e. regions get re-used



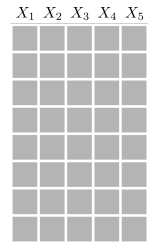




Data-driven structure learning

"Recursive data slicing" *(Gens et al. 2013)*

Expand regions with **clustering**



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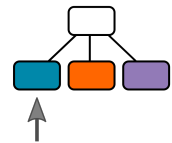

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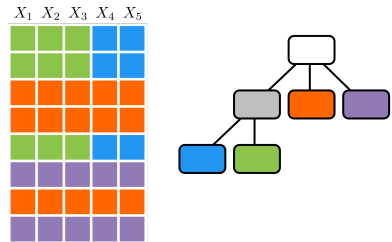

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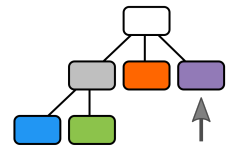

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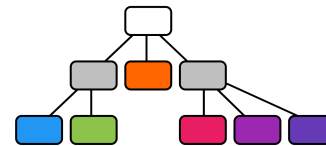

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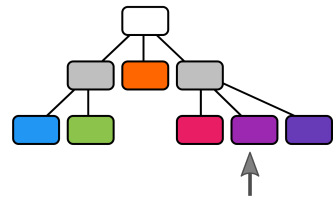
Single variable



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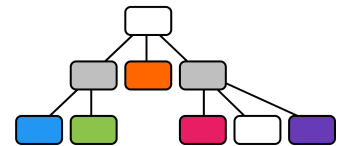
Single variable $\rightarrow$ ***input region***



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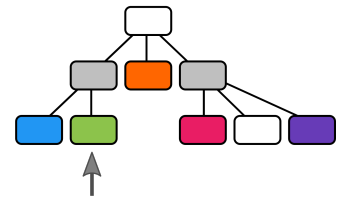

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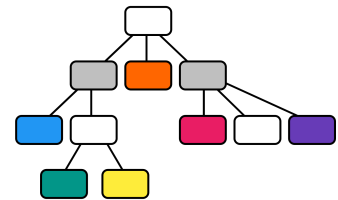
And so on...



Data-driven structure learning

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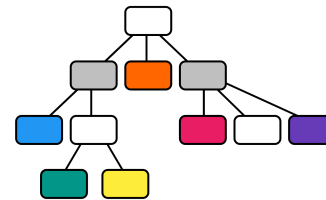
- Stopping conditions: minimal number of features, samples, depth, ...
- Clustering ratios also deliver (initial) parameters
- **Smooth & Decomposable Circuits**
- **Tractable integration**



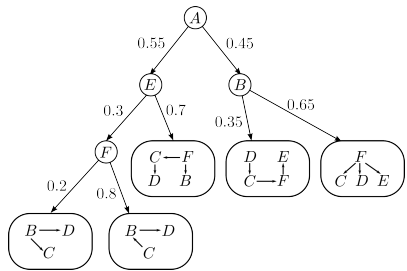
LearnSPN

Selected references

- **ID-SPN** *(Rooshenas et al. 2014)*
- **LearnSPN-b/T/B** *(Vergari et al. 2015)*
- For **heterogeneous data** *(Molina et al. 2018)*
- Using **k-means** *(Butz et al. 2018)* or **SVD** splits *(Adel et al. 2015)*
- Learning **DAGs** *(Dennis et al. 2015; Jaini et al. 2018)*
- **Approximating** independence tests *(Di Mauro et al. 2018)*

Cutset networks

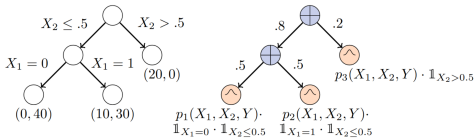
Besides clustering, **decision tree learning** can be used as PC learner. **Cutset networks,** decision trees over simple probabilistic models (Chow-Liu trees) *(Rahman et al. 2014):*

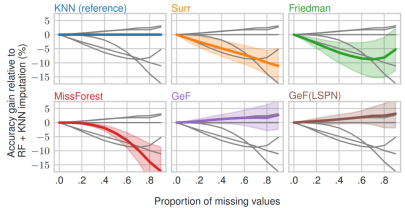


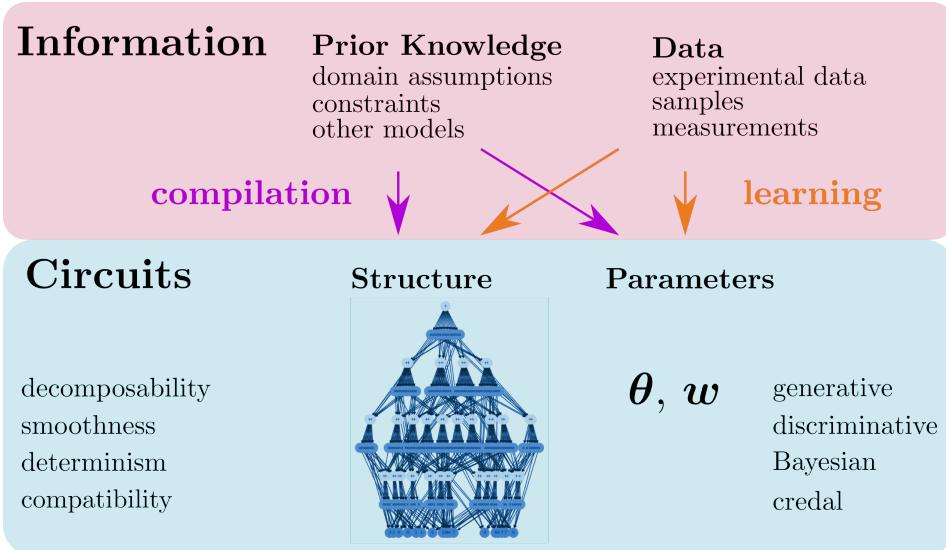
Cutset networks can easily be converted into **smooth, decomposable and deterministic PCs**.

Decision trees as PCs

Also vanilla decision tree learners can be used to learn PCs, by augmenting the leaves with distributions over inputs *(Correia et al. 2020).* Allows to treat **missing features** and **outlier detection**.



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