

# Relational Learning

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# Goals for the lecture

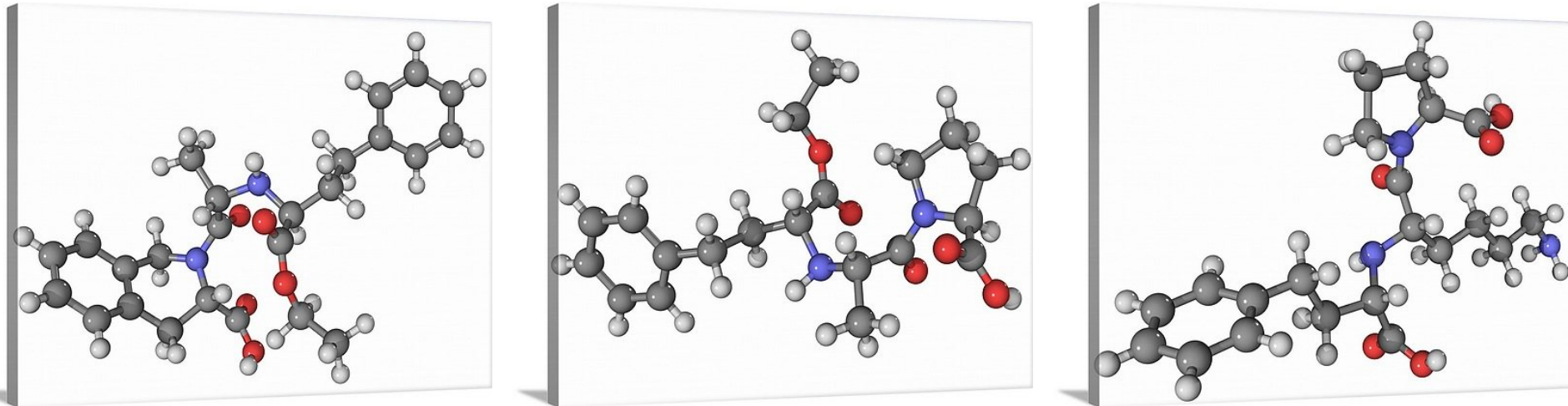
you should understand the following concepts

- relational learning
- the FOIL algorithm
- plate models

# Relational learning example

consider the task of learning a *pharmacophore*: the substructure of a molecule that interacts with a target of interest

- instances for this task consist of interacting (+) and non-interacting molecules (-)



to represent each instance, we'd like to describe

- the (variable # of) atoms in the molecule
- the possible conformations of the molecule
- the bonds among atoms
- distances among atoms
- etc.

# Relational learning example

[Finn et al., *Machine Learning* 1998]

a multi-relational representation for molecules

Molecule	Target_1	...	Target_n
mol1	inactive		inactive
mol2	active		inactive
•			
•			
•			

Molecular Bioactivity

Molecule	Bond_ID	Atom_1_ID	Atom_2_ID	Bond_Type
mol1	bond1	a1	a2	aromatic
•				
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•				

Bonds

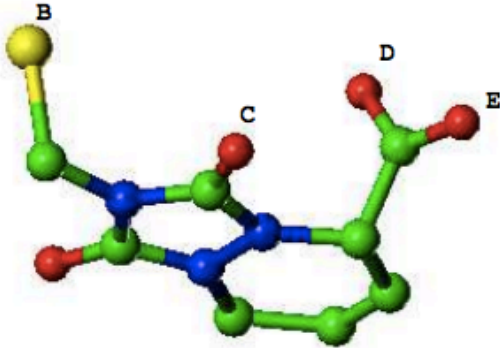
Molecule	Conformer	Atom_ID	Atom_Type	X_Coordinate	Y_Coordinate	Z_Coordinate
mol1	conf1	a1	carbon	2.58	-1.23	0.69
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3D Atom Locations

# Relational learning example

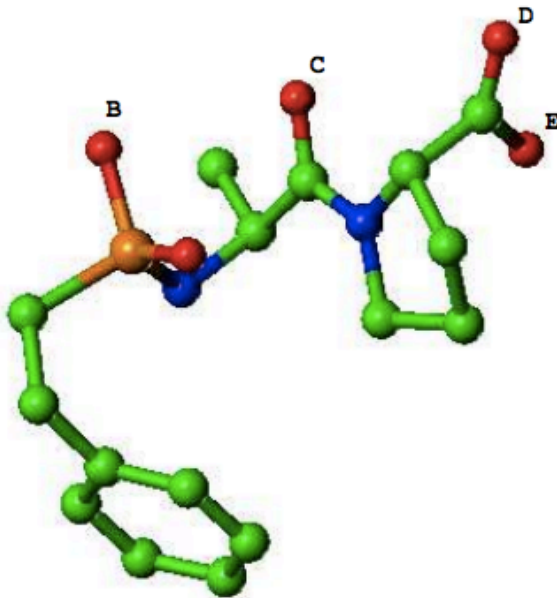
[Finn et al., *Machine Learning* 1998]

a learned relational rule characterizing ACE inhibitors



Molecule A is an ACE inhibitor if  
for some conformer Conf of A:

molecule A contains a zinc binding site B;  
molecule A contains a hydrogen acceptor C;  
the distance between B and C in Conf is  $7.9 \pm .75$ ;  
molecule A contains a hydrogen acceptor D;  
the distance between B and D in Conf is  $8.5 \pm .75$ ;  
the distance between C and D in Conf is  $2.1 \pm .75$ ;  
molecule A contains a hydrogen acceptor E;  
the distance between B and E in Conf is  $4.9 \pm .75$ ;  
the distance between C and E in Conf is  $3.1 \pm .75$ ;  
the distance between D and E in Conf is  $3.8 \pm .75$ .



# Relational representation

ACE\_inhibitor(A)  $\leftarrow$  has\_zinc\_binding\_site(A, B)  $\wedge$   
has\_hydrogen\_acceptor(A, C)  $\wedge$   
distance(B, C, 7.9, 0.75)  $\wedge$   
has\_hydrogen\_acceptor(A, D)  $\wedge$   
distance(B, D, 8.5, 0.75)  $\wedge$   
distance(C, D, 8.5, 0.75)  $\wedge$   
has\_hydrogen\_acceptor(A, E)  $\wedge$   
distance(B, E, 4.9, 0.75)  $\wedge$   
distance(C, E, 3.1, 0.75)  $\wedge$   
distance(D, E, 3.8, 0.75)

To learn an equivalent rule with a feature-vector learner, what features would we need to represent?

has\_zinc\_binding\_site  
has\_hydrogen\_acceptor  
zinc\_binding\_site\_and\_hydrogen\_acceptor\_distance  
hydrogen\_acceptor\_hydrogen\_acceptor\_distance  
...

can easily encode distance between a pair of atoms; but this pharmacophore has 4 important atoms with 6 relevant distances among them

# Relational learning example

[Page et al., AAAI 2012]

- Data from electronic health records (EHRs) is being used to learn models for risk assessment, adverse event detection, etc.
- A patient's record is described by multiple tables in a relational DB

demographics

PatientID	Gender	Birthdate
P1	M	3/22/63

diagnoses

PatientID	Date	Physician	Symptoms	Diagnosis
P1	1/1/01	Smith	palpitations	hypoglycemic
P1	2/1/03	Jones	fever, aches	influenza

labs

PatientID	Date	Lab Test	Result
P1	1/1/01	blood glucose	42
P1	1/9/01	blood glucose	45

PatientID	SNP1	SNP2	...	SNP500K
P1	AA	AB		BB
P2	AB	BB		AA

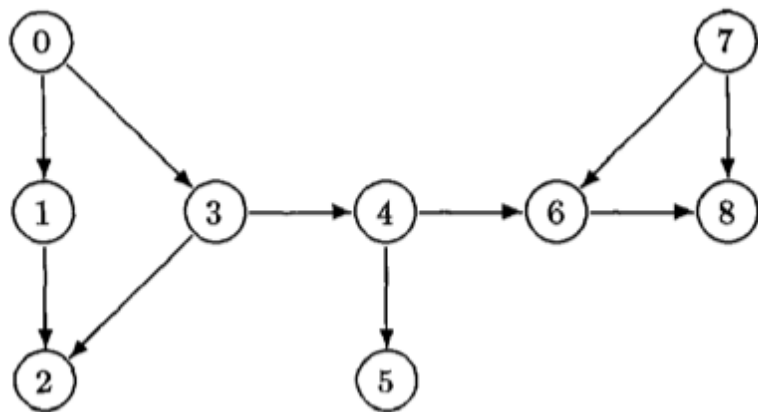
genetics

drugs

PatientID	Date Prescribed	Date Filled	Physician	Medication	Dose	Duration
P1	5/17/98	5/18/98	Jones	prilosec	10mg	3 months

# Relational learning example

- suppose we want to learn the general concept of can-reach in a graph, given a set of training instances describing a particular graph



$\oplus$ :  $\langle 0,1 \rangle \langle 0,2 \rangle \langle 0,3 \rangle \langle 0,4 \rangle \langle 0,5 \rangle \langle 0,6 \rangle \langle 0,8 \rangle \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,2 \rangle \langle 3,4 \rangle$   
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 $\langle 8,7 \rangle \langle 8,8 \rangle$

- how would you represent this task to a learner?





# The FOIL algorithm for relational learning

[Quinlan, *Machine Learning* 1990]

## **given:**

- tuples (instances) of a target relation
- *extensionally* represented background relations

## **do:**

- learn a set of rules that (mostly) cover the positive tuples of the target relation, but not the negative tuples

# Input to FOIL

- instances of target relation

$\oplus$ :  $\langle 0,1 \rangle \langle 0,2 \rangle \langle 0,3 \rangle \langle 0,4 \rangle \langle 0,5 \rangle \langle 0,6 \rangle \langle 0,8 \rangle \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,2 \rangle \langle 3,4 \rangle$   
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- extensionally defined background relations

$linked-to = \{ \langle 0,1 \rangle, \langle 0,3 \rangle, \langle 1,2 \rangle, \langle 3,2 \rangle, \langle 3,4 \rangle, \langle 4,5 \rangle, \langle 4,6 \rangle, \langle 6,8 \rangle, \langle 7,6 \rangle, \langle 7,8 \rangle \}$

# The FOIL algorithm for relational learning

FOIL uses a covering approach to learn a set of rules

```
LEARNRULESET(set of tuples  $T$  of target relation, background relations  $B$ )
{
   $S = \{ \}$ 
  repeat
     $R \leftarrow \text{LEARNRULE}(T, B)$ 
     $S \leftarrow S \cup R$ 
     $T \leftarrow T - \text{positive tuples covered by } R$ 
  until there are no (few) positive tuples left in  $T$ 
  return  $S$ 
}
```

# The FOIL algorithm for relational learning

```
LEARNRULE(set of tuples  $T$  of target relation, background relations  $B$ )
{
   $R = \{ \}$ 
  repeat
     $L \leftarrow$  best literal, based on  $T$  and  $B$ , to add to right-hand side of  $R$ 
     $R \leftarrow R \cup L$ 
     $T \leftarrow$  new set of tuples that satisfy  $L$ 
  until there are no (few) negative tuples left in  $T$ 
  return  $R$ 
}
```

# Literals in FOIL

- Given the current rule  $R(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) \leftarrow L_1 \wedge L_2 \wedge \dots \wedge L_n$   
FOIL considers adding several types of literals

$$X_j = X_k$$

both  $X_j$  and  $X_k$  either appear in the LHS of the rule, or were introduced by a previous literal

$$X_j \neq X_k$$

$$Q(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_a)$$

at least one of the  $V_i$ 's has to be in the LHS of the rule, or was introduced by a previous literal

$$\neg Q(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_a)$$

where  $Q$  is a background relation

# Literals in FOIL (continued)

$$X_j = c$$

where  $c$  is a constant

$$X_j \neq c$$

$$X_j > a$$

$$X_j \leq a$$

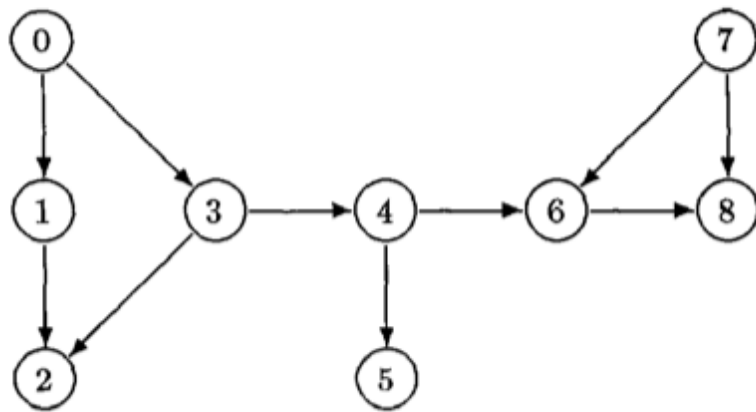
$$X_j > X_k$$

$$X_j \leq X_k$$

where  $X_j$  and  $X_k$  are numeric variables and  $a$  is a numeric constant

# FOIL example

- suppose we want to learn rules for the target relation  $\text{can-reach}(X_1, X_2)$
- we're given instances of the target relation from the following graph



$\oplus$ :  $\langle 0,1 \rangle \langle 0,2 \rangle \langle 0,3 \rangle \langle 0,4 \rangle \langle 0,5 \rangle \langle 0,6 \rangle \langle 0,8 \rangle \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,2 \rangle \langle 3,4 \rangle$   
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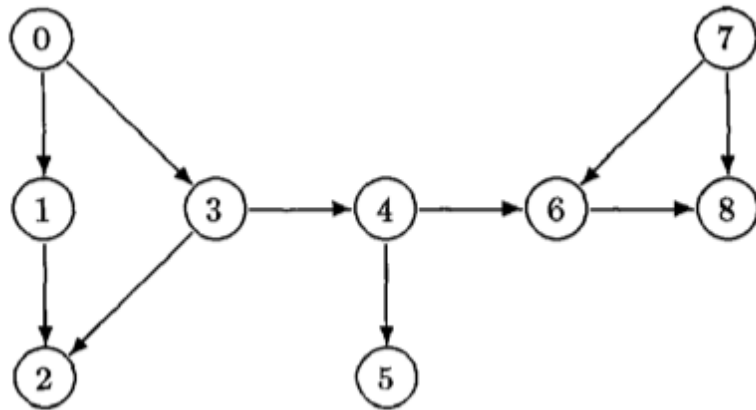
- and instances of the background relation  $\text{linked-to}$

$$\text{linked-to} = \{ \langle 0,1 \rangle, \langle 0,3 \rangle, \langle 1,2 \rangle, \langle 3,2 \rangle, \langle 3,4 \rangle, \langle 4,5 \rangle, \langle 4,6 \rangle, \langle 6,8 \rangle, \langle 7,6 \rangle, \langle 7,8 \rangle \}$$



# FOIL example

- the first rule learned covers 10 of the positive instances  
 $\text{can-reach}(X_1, X_2) \leftarrow \text{linked-to}(X_1, X_2)$
- the second rule learned covers the other 9 positive instances  
 $\text{can-reach}(X_1, X_2) \leftarrow \text{linked-to}(X_1, X_3) \wedge \text{can-reach}(X_3, X_2)$



$\oplus$ :  $\langle 0,1 \rangle \langle 0,2 \rangle \langle 0,3 \rangle \langle 0,4 \rangle \langle 0,5 \rangle \langle 0,6 \rangle \langle 0,8 \rangle \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,2 \rangle \langle 3,4 \rangle$   
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- note that these rules generalize to other graphs

# Evaluating literals in FOIL

- FOIL evaluates the addition of a literal  $L$  to a rule  $R$  by

$$FOIL\_Gain(L,R) = t \left( \log_2 \frac{p_1}{p_1 + n_1} - \log_2 \frac{p_0}{p_0 + n_0} \right)$$

- where

$p_0$  = # of positive tuples covered by  $R$

$n_0$  = # of negative tuples covered by  $R$

$p_1$  = # of positive tuples covered by  $R \wedge L$

$n_1$  = # of negative tuples covered by  $R \wedge L$

$t$  = # of positive of tuples of  $R$  also covered by  $R \wedge L$

- like information gain, but takes into account
  - we want to cover positives, not just get a more “pure” set of tuples
  - the size of the tuple set grows as we add new variables

# Evaluating literals in FOIL

$$FOIL\_Gain(L, R) = t \left( Info(R_0) - Info(R_1) \right)$$

- where  $R_0$  represents the rule without  $L$  and  $R_1$  is the rule with  $L$  added
- $Info(R_i)$  is the number of bits required to encode a positive in the set of tuples covered by  $R_i$

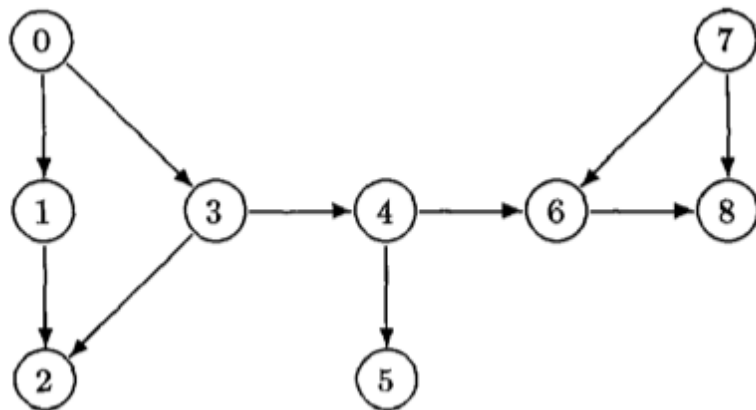
$$Info(R_i) = -\log_2 \left( \frac{p_i}{p_i + n_i} \right)$$

# Recall this example

- Definition of can-reach:

$$\text{can-reach}(X_1, X_2) \leftarrow \text{linked-to}(X_1, X_2)$$

$$\text{can-reach}(X_1, X_2) \leftarrow \text{linked-to}(X_1, X_3) \wedge \text{can-reach}(X_3, X_2)$$



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# FOIL example

- consider the first step in learning the second clause

can-reach( $X_1, X_2$ )  $\leftarrow$



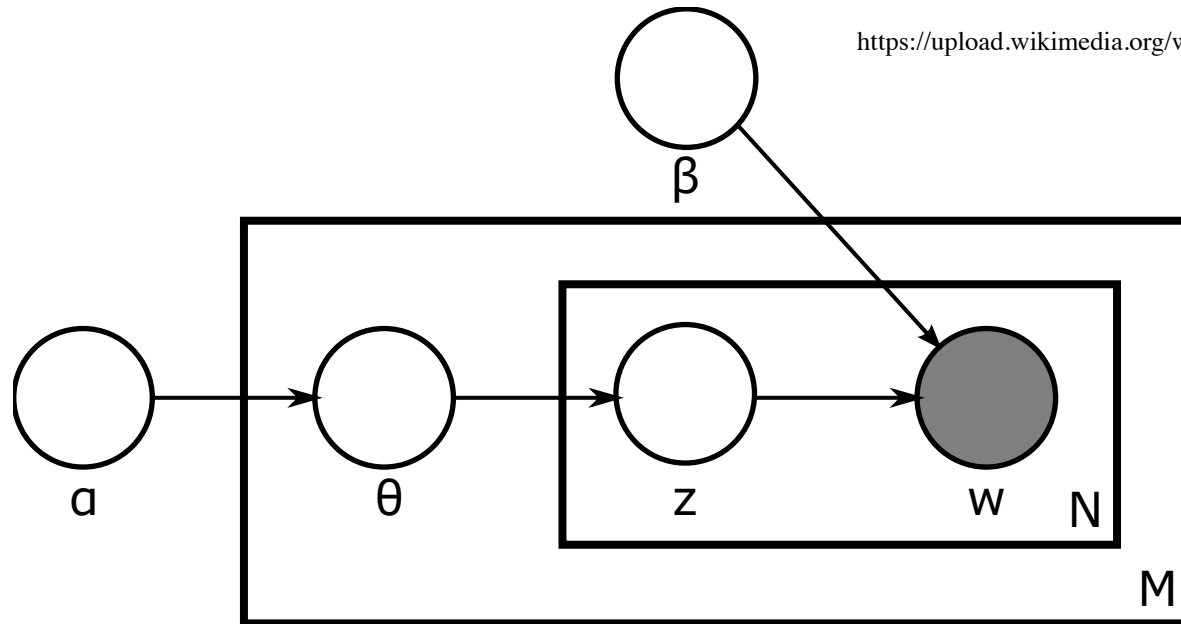
can-reach( $X_1, X_2$ )  $\leftarrow$   
linked-to( $X_1, X_3$ )

$$FOIL\_Gain(L,R) = 9 \left( \log_2 \frac{18}{18+54} - \log_2 \frac{9}{9+62} \right) = 8.8$$

$\oplus$ :	■	$\langle 0,2 \rangle$	■	$\langle 0,4 \rangle$	$\langle 0,5 \rangle$	$\langle 0,6 \rangle$	$\langle 0,8 \rangle$	■	■	■
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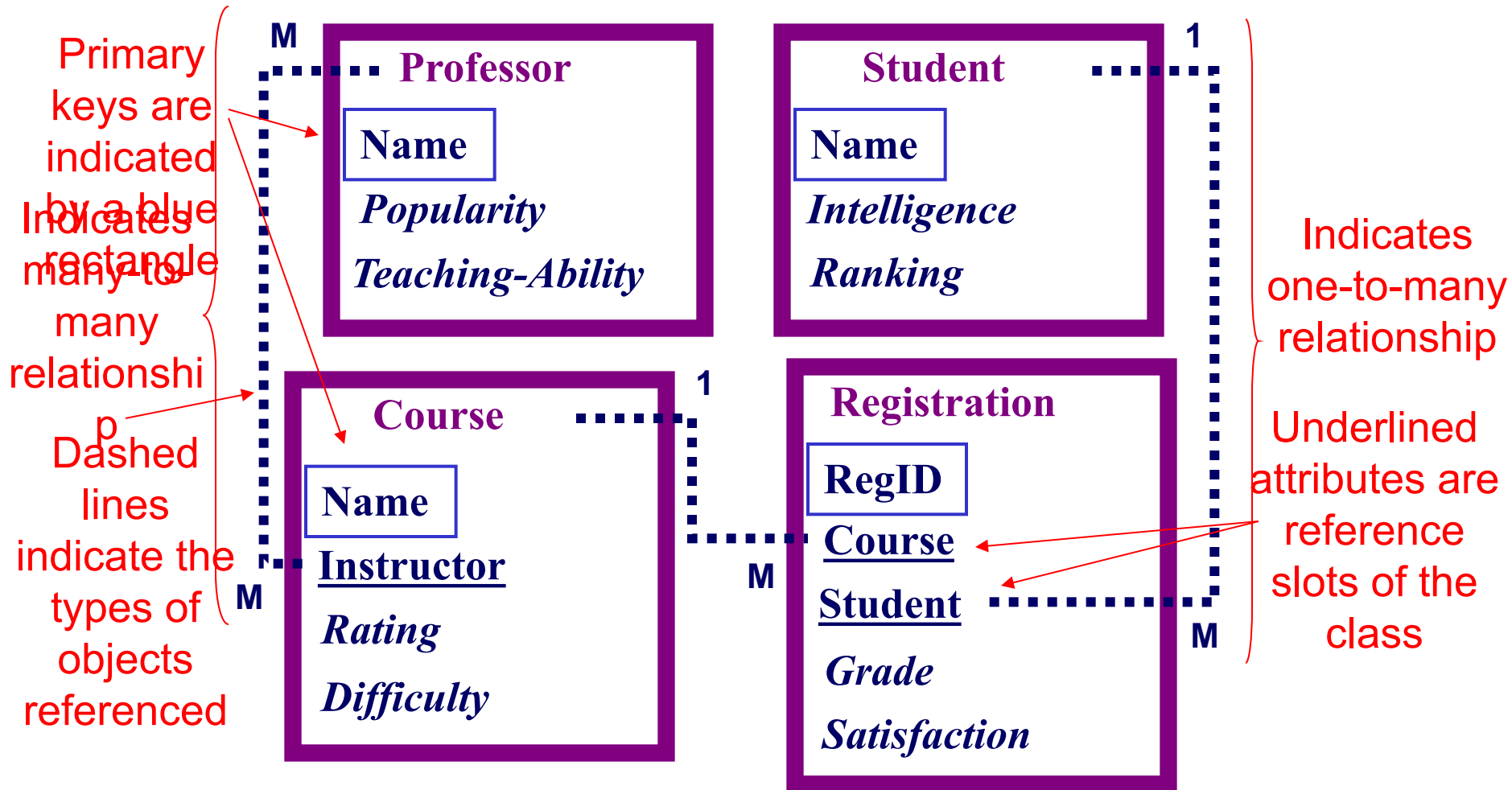
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	$\langle 0,6,3 \rangle$	$\langle 0,8,1 \rangle$	$\langle 0,8,3 \rangle$	$\langle 3,5,2 \rangle$	$\langle 3,5,4 \rangle$	$\langle 3,6,2 \rangle$	$\langle 3,6,4 \rangle$
	$\langle 3,8,2 \rangle$	$\langle 3,8,4 \rangle$	$\langle 4,8,5 \rangle$	$\langle 4,8,6 \rangle$			
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# Alternative: Plates

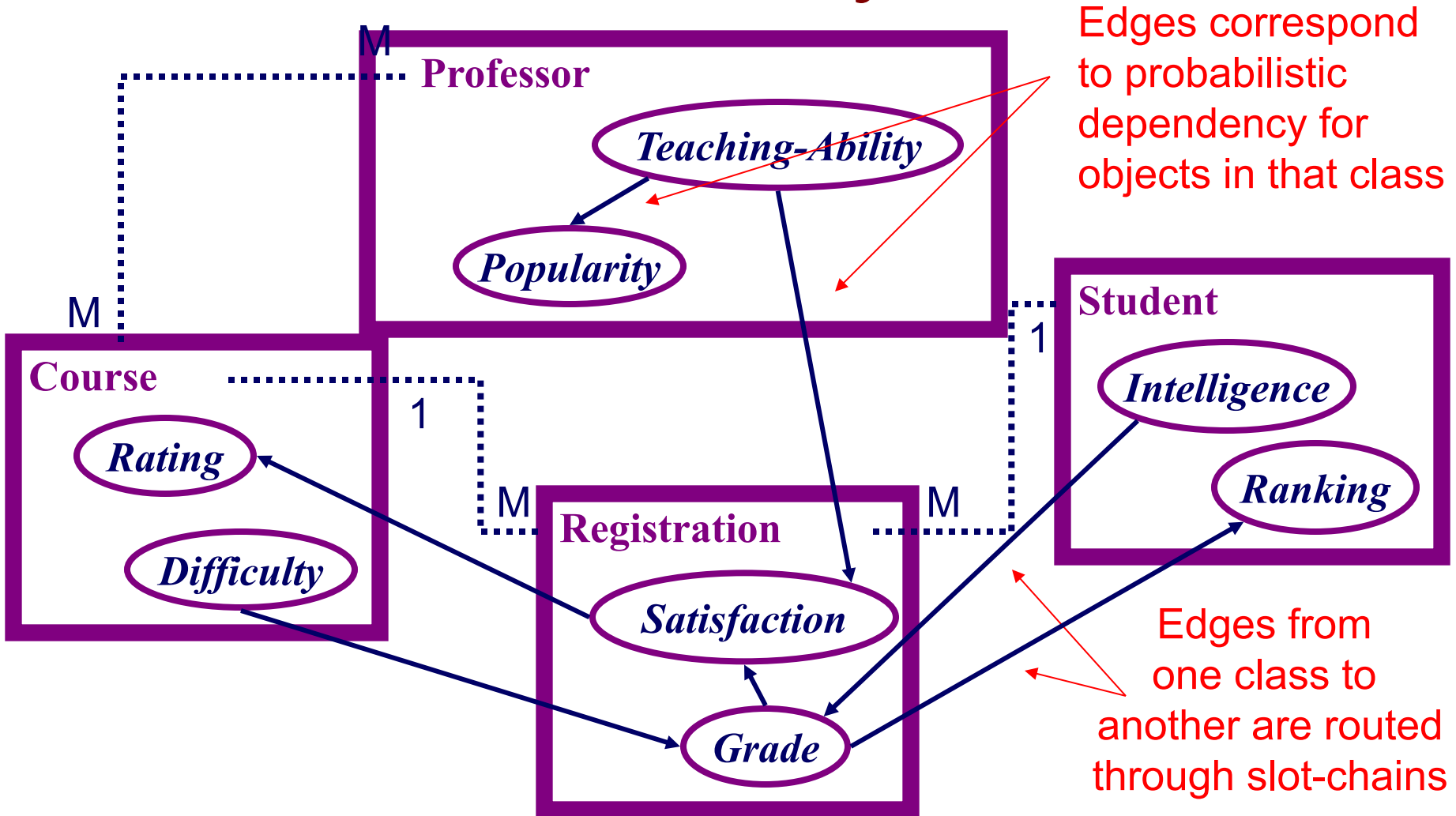


A rectangle labeled “N” denotes N copies of the Bayes net inside.  
Typically arcs go *into* rectangles, but we relax to allow outgoing next...

# Alternative: Probabilistic Relational Models (PRMs)

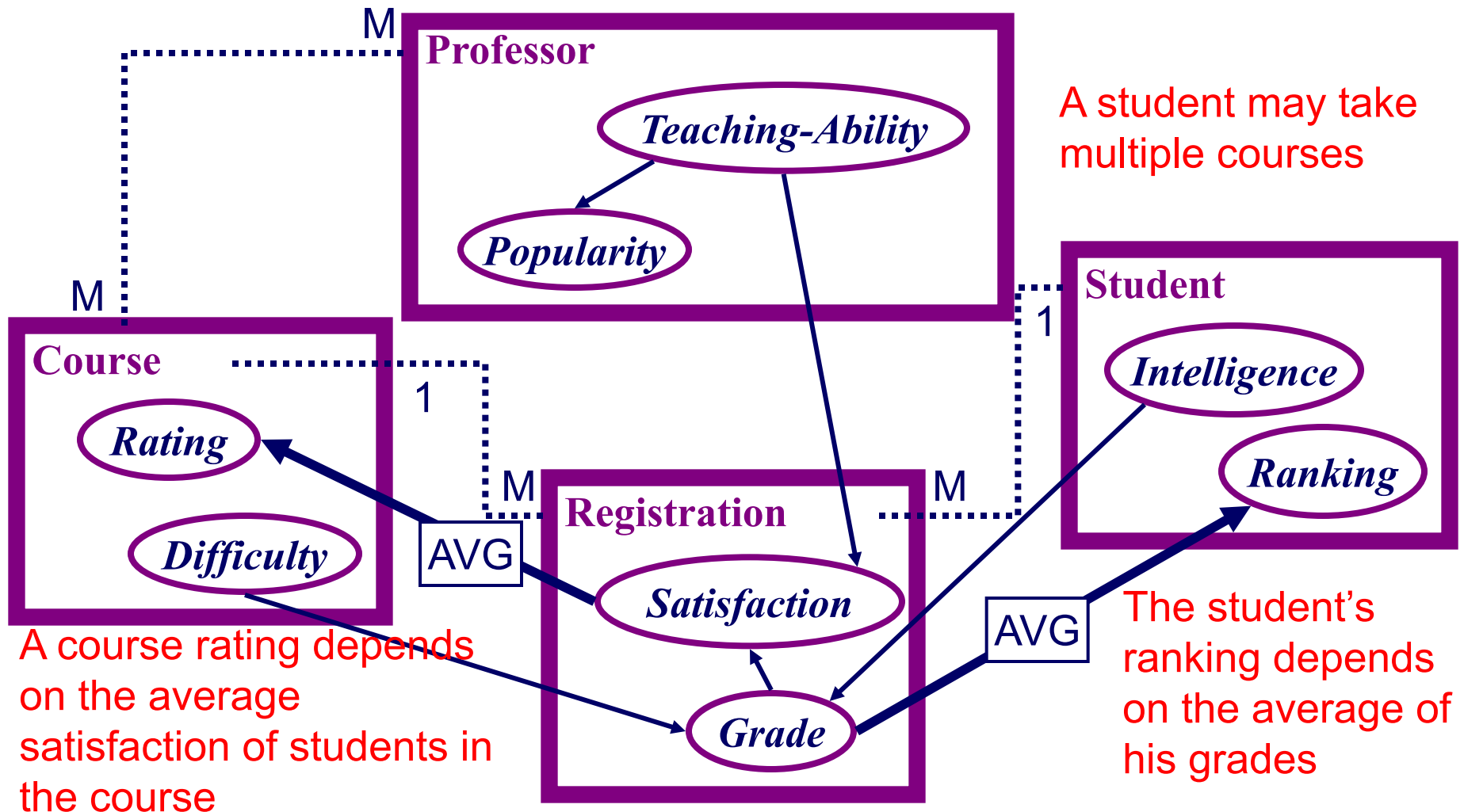


# PRM Dependency Structure for the University Domain

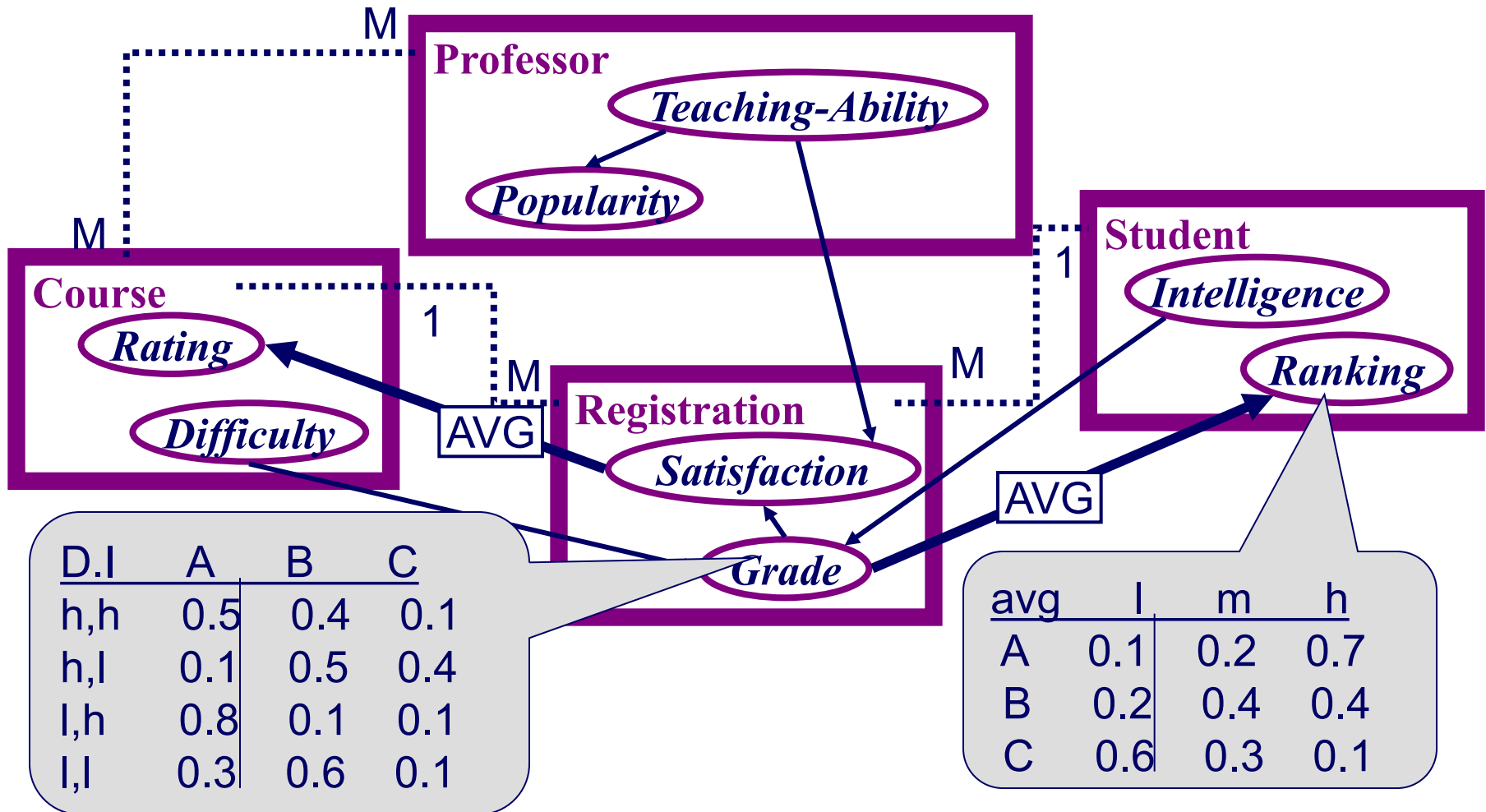




# PRM Dependency Structure



# CPDs in PRMs



# Alternative: Markov logic



- a logical knowledge base is a set of **hard constraints** on the set of possible worlds
- let's make them **soft constraints**: when a world violates a formula, it becomes less probable, not impossible
- give each formula a weight (higher weight  $\rightarrow$  stronger constraint)

$$P(\text{world}) \propto \exp\left(\sum \text{weights of formulas it satisfies}\right)$$

# MLN definition

- a *Markov Logic Network* (MLN) is a set of pairs  $(F, w)$  where
  - $F$  is a formula in first-order logic
  - $w$  is a real number
- together with a set of constants, it defines a Markov network with
  - one node for each grounding of each predicate in the MLN
  - one feature for each grounding of each formula  $F$  in the MLN, with the corresponding weight  $w$

# MLN example: friends & smokers

Smoking causes cancer.

Friends have similar smoking habits.

# MLN example: friends & smokers

$$\forall x \textit{Smokes}(x) \Rightarrow \textit{Cancer}(x)$$
$$\forall x, y \textit{Friends}(x, y) \Rightarrow (\textit{Smokes}(x) \Leftrightarrow \textit{Smokes}(y))$$

# MLN example: friends & smokers

1.5  $\forall x \text{ Smokes}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Cancer}(x)$

1.1  $\forall x, y \text{ Friends}(x, y) \Rightarrow (\text{Smokes}(x) \Leftrightarrow \text{Smokes}(y))$

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Two constants: **Anna** (A) and **Bob** (B)

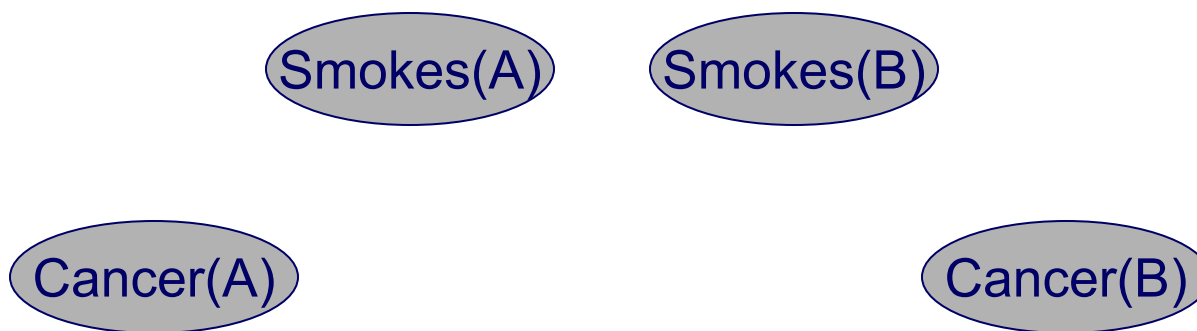


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Friends(A,A)

Smokes(A)

Smokes(B)

Friends(B,B)

Cancer(A)

Friends(B,A)

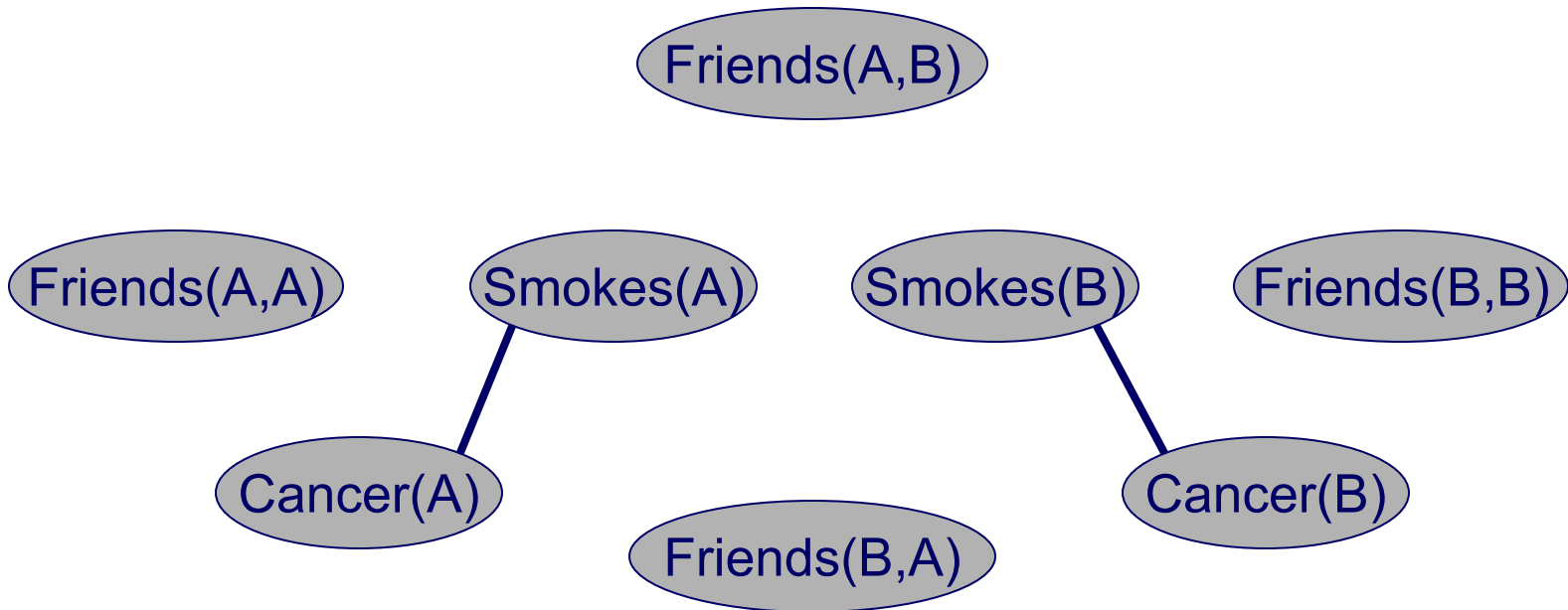
Cancer(B)

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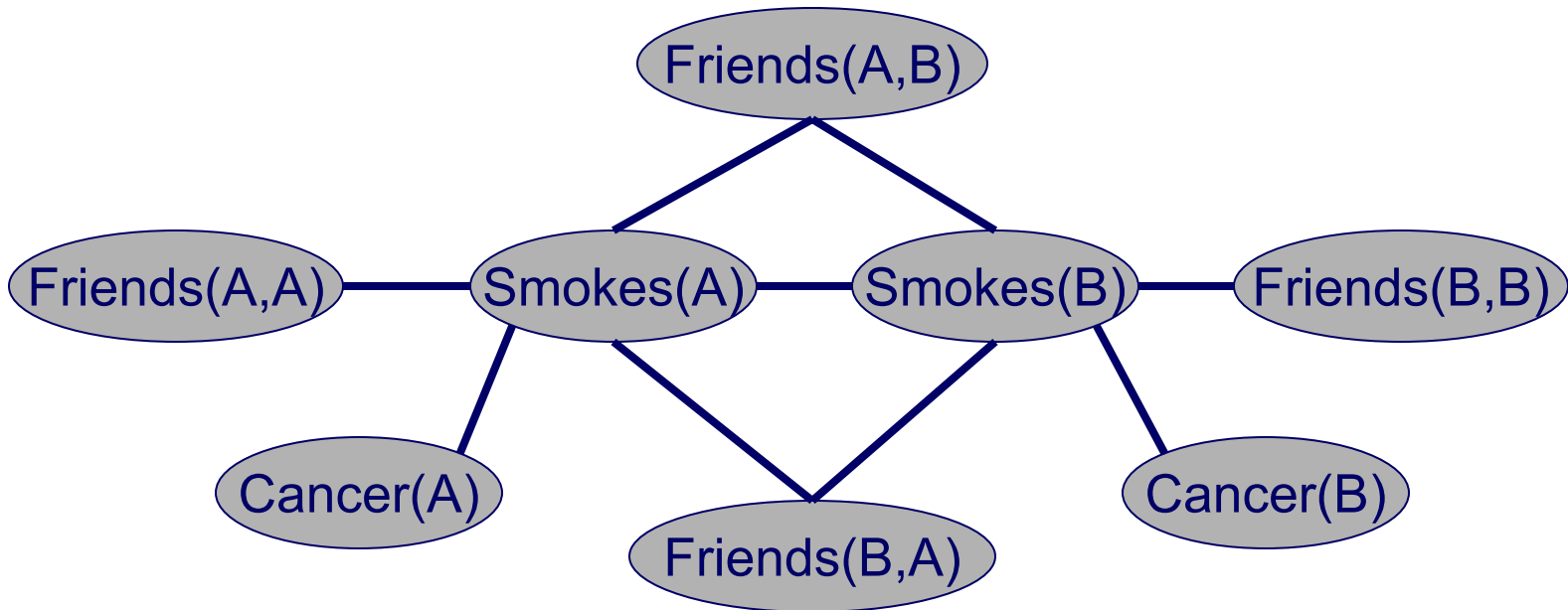


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# Markov logic networks

- a MLN is a **template** for ground Markov nets
  - the logic determines the form of the cliques
  - but if we had one more constant (say, **Larry**), we'd get a different Markov net
- we can determine the probability of a world  $\nu$  (assignment of truth values to ground predicates) by

$$P(\nu) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_i w_i n_i(\nu)\right)$$

weight of formula  $i$

# of true groundings of formula  $i$  in  $\nu$

# Example translated to Markov Network

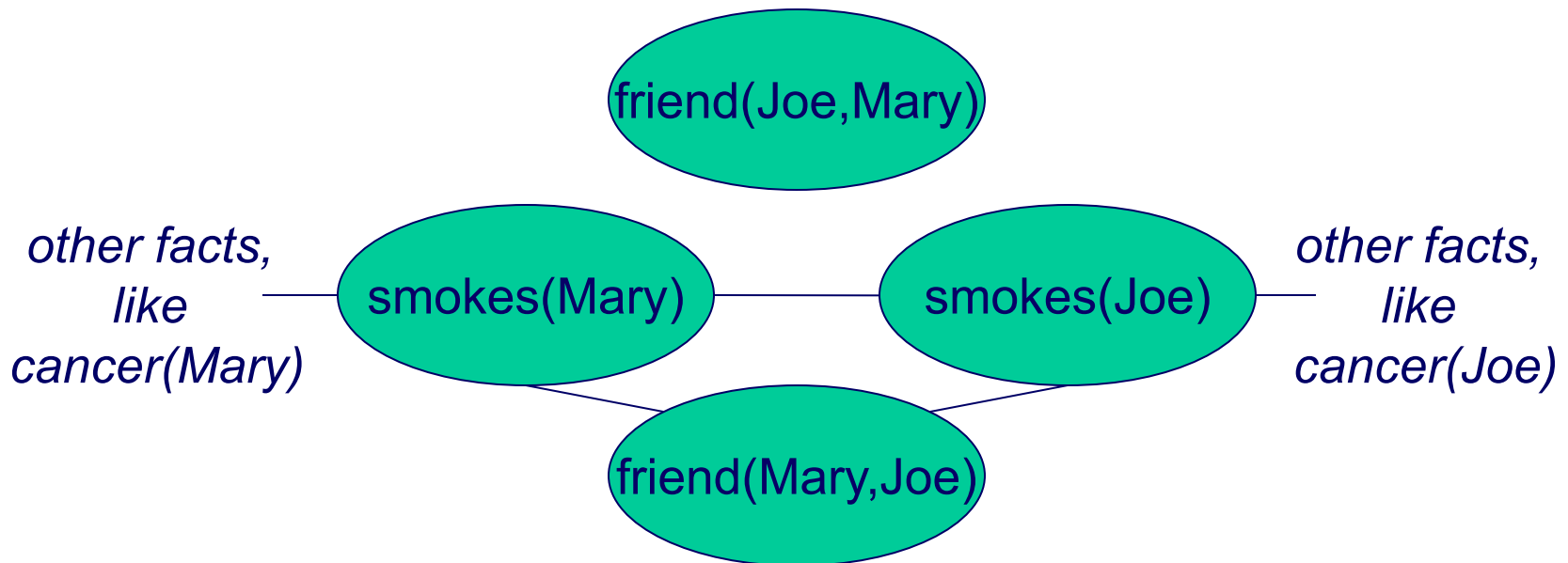
- **Facts:**

smokes(Mary)  
smokes(Joe)  
friend(Joe, Mary)

- **Rules:**

$\text{Friend}(x,y) \wedge \text{Smokes}(x) \rightarrow$

$\forall x \forall y \text{ friends}(x,y) \wedge \text{smokes}(x) \rightarrow \text{smokes}(y)$



# Computing weights

Consider the effect of rule R:  $\text{Friends}(x,y) \wedge \text{Smokes}(x) \rightarrow \text{Smokes}(y)$   $\frac{\text{weight}}{1.1}$

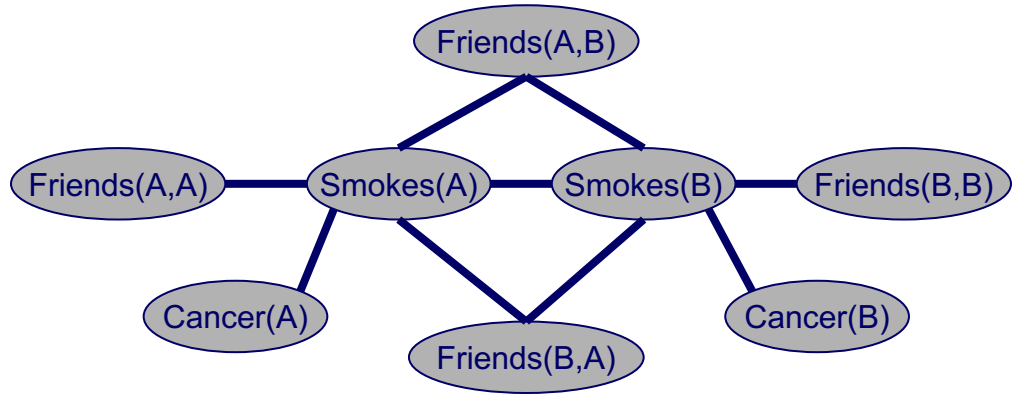
	smokes(Mary)		$\neg$ smokes(Mary)	
	smokes(Joe)	$\neg$ smokes(Joe)	smokes(Joe)	$\neg$ smokes(Joe)
friends(Mary,Joe)	$e^{1.1}$	1	$e^{1.1}$	$e^{1.1}$
$\neg$ friends(Mary,Joe)	$e^{1.1}$	$e^{1.1}$	$e^{1.1}$	$e^{1.1}$

This is the only setting that does not satisfy R  
 Thus, it is given value 1, while the others are  
 Given value  $\exp(\text{weight}(R))$

# Probability of a world in an MLN

$\mathbf{v} =$ 

Friends(A,A) = T
Friends(A,B) = T
Friends(B,A) = T
Friends(B,B) = T
Smokes(A) = F
Smokes(B) = T
Cancer(A) = F
Cancer(B) = F



$\forall x \text{ Smokes}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Cancer}(x)$

$x = A \quad \text{T}$

$x = B \quad \text{F}$

$n_1(\mathbf{v}) = 1$

$\forall x, y \text{ Friends}(x, y) \Rightarrow (\text{Smokes}(x) \Leftrightarrow \text{Smokes}(y))$

$x = A, y = A \quad \text{T}$

$x = A, y = B \quad \text{F}$

$x = B, y = A \quad \text{F}$

$x = B, y = B \quad \text{T}$

$n_2(\mathbf{v}) = 2$

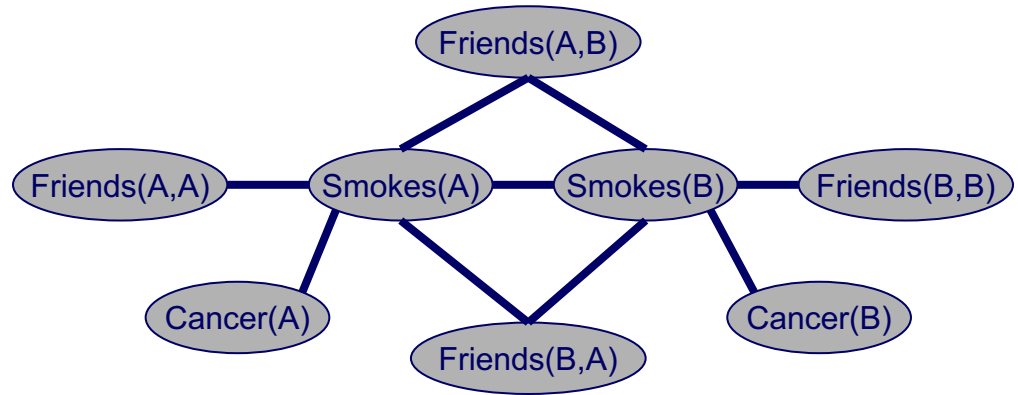
# of true groundings of formula 1 in  $\mathbf{v}$



# Probability of a world in an MLN

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Friends(A,B) = T
Friends(B,A) = T
Friends(B,B) = T
Smokes(A) = F
Smokes(B) = T
Cancer(A) = F
Cancer(B) = F



$$P(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left( \sum_i w_i n_i(\mathbf{v}) \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{Z} \exp(1.5(1) + 1.1(2))$$

# Three MLN tasks

- inference: can use the toolbox of inference methods developed for ordinary Markov networks
  - Markov chain Monte Carlo methods, including persistent contrastive divergence (PCD) where we iterate MCMC and gradient ascent steps (don't wait for MCMC to converge)
  - belief propagation
  - variational methodsin tandem with weighted SAT solver  
(e.g., MaxWalkSAT [Kautz et al., 1997] )
- parameter learning
- structure learning: can use ordinary relational learning methods like FOIL or other ILP algorithms to learn new formula

# MLN learning tasks

- the input to the learning process is a relational database of ground atoms

Friends( $x, y$ )

Anna, Anna  
Anna, Bob  
Bob, Anna  
Bob, Bob

Smokes( $x$ )

Bob

Cancer( $x$ )

Bob

- the closed world assumption is used to infer the truth values of atoms not present in the DB

# Parameter learning

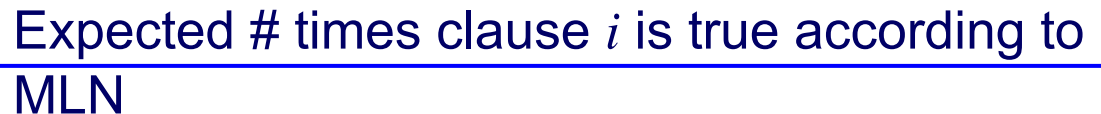
- parameters (weights on formulas) can be learned using gradient ascent

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \log P_w(\mathbf{v}) = n_i(\mathbf{v}) - E_w[n_i(\mathbf{v})]$$

# of times clause  $i$  is true in data



Expected # times clause  $i$  is true according to  
MLN



- approximation methods may be needed to estimate both terms

# MLN experiment

- testbed: a DB describing Univ. of Washington CS department
  - 12 predicates
    - Professor(*person*)
    - Student(*person*)
    - Area(*x*, *area*)
    - AuthorOf(*publication*, *person*)
    - AdvisedBy(*person*, *person*)
    - etc.
  - 2707 constants
    - publication (342)
    - person (442)
    - course (176)
    - project (153)
    - etc.

# MLN experiment

- obtained knowledge base by having four subjects provide a set of formulas in first-order logic describing the domain
- the formulas in the KB represent statements such as
  - students are not professors
  - each student has at most one advisor
  - if a student is an author of a paper, so is her advisor
  - at most one author of a given publication is a professor
  - etc.
- note that the KB is not consistent

