

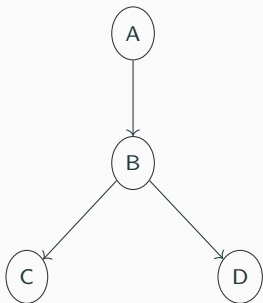
## Lecture 25: Approximate Inference in Bayesian Networks

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## Last Lecture Takeaway

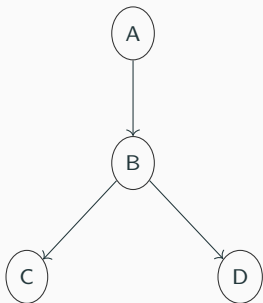
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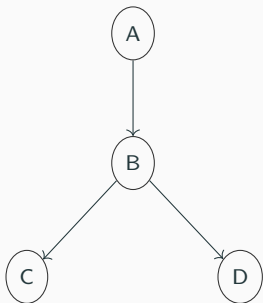
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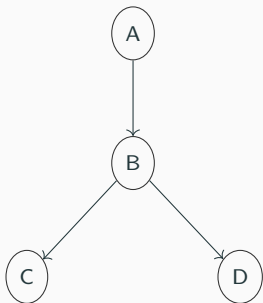
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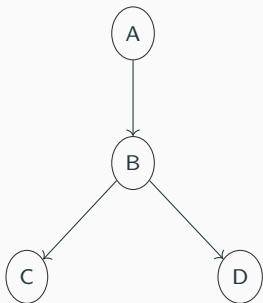
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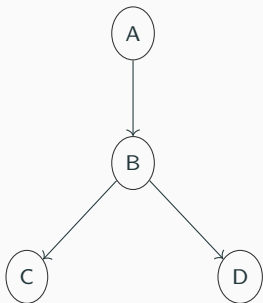
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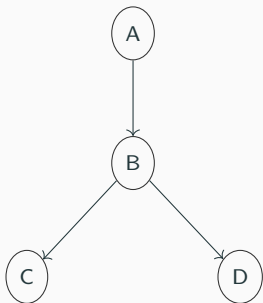
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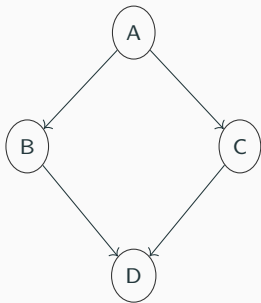
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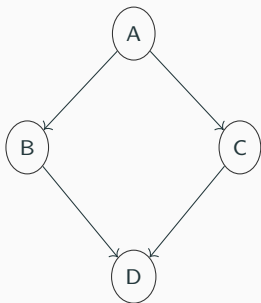
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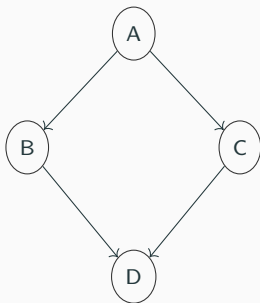
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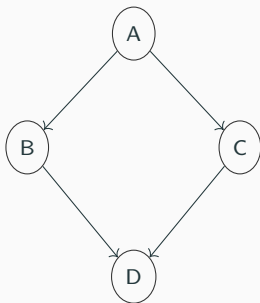
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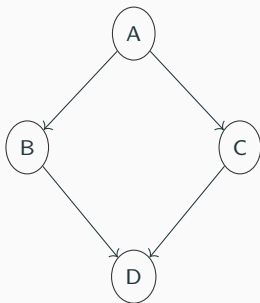
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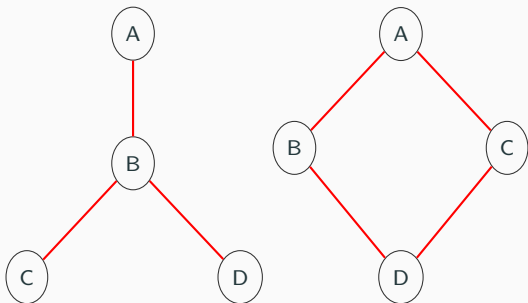
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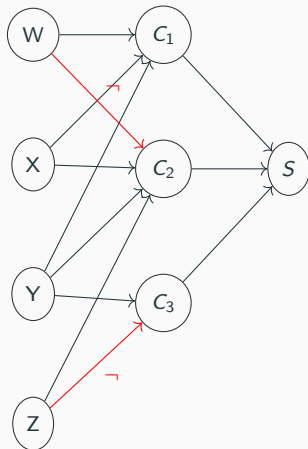


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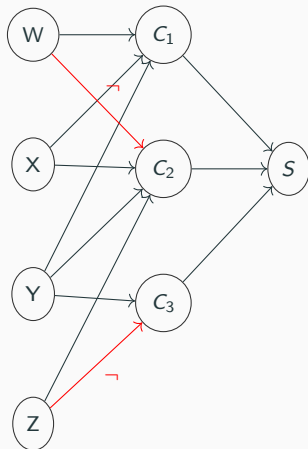
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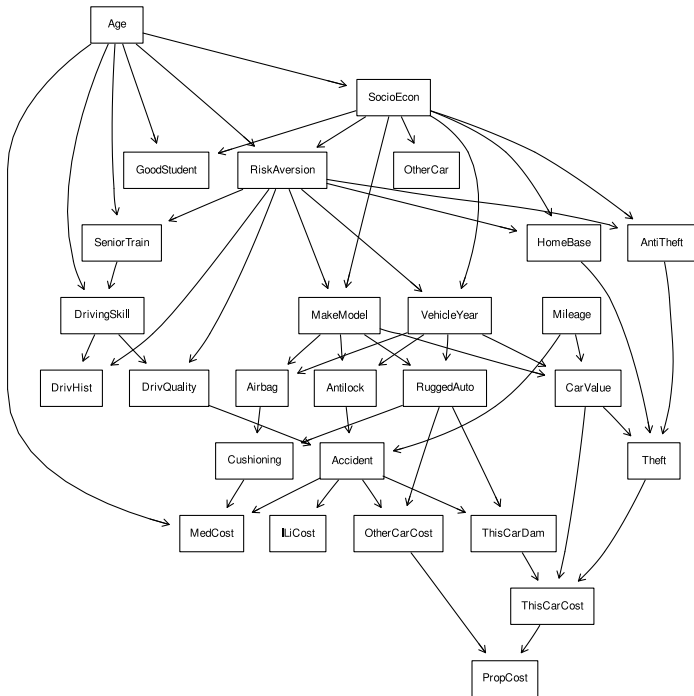


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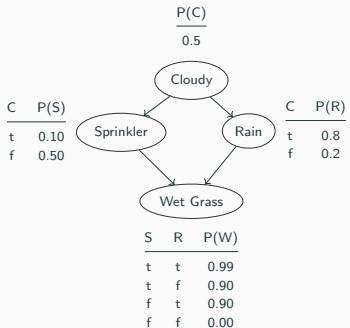
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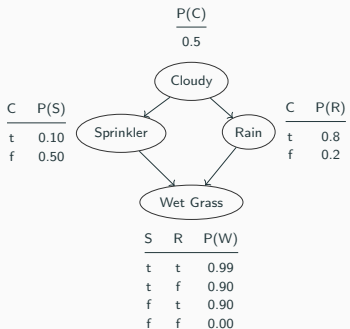
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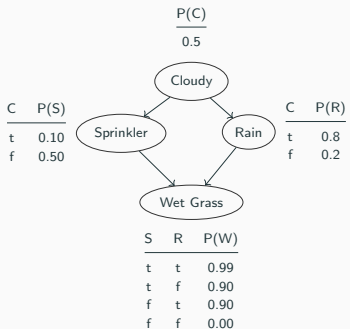


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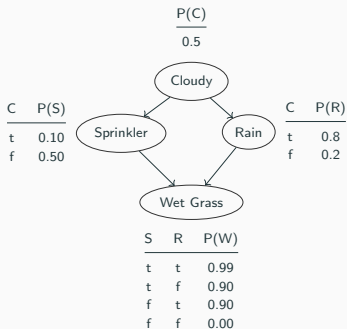
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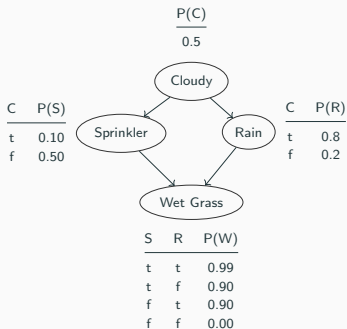
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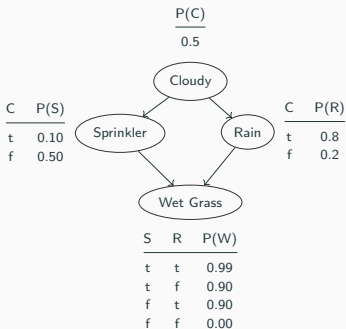
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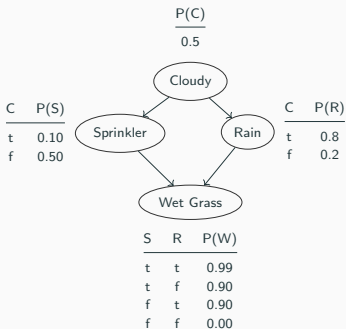


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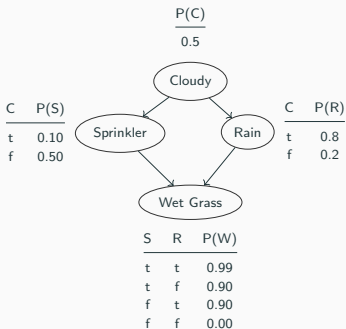


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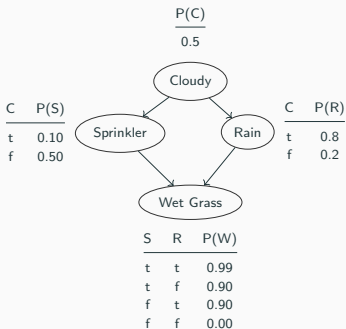
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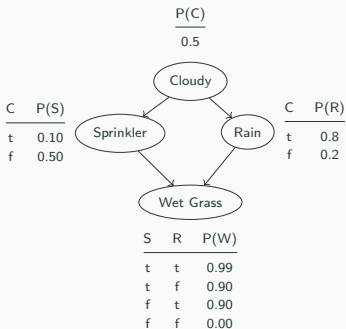
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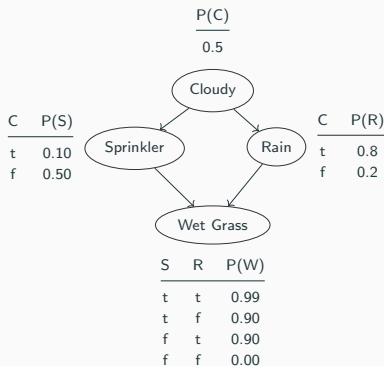
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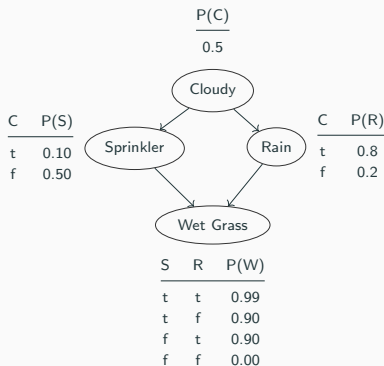
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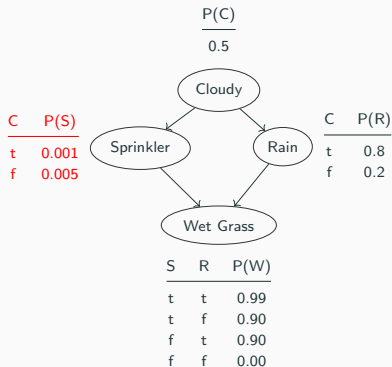
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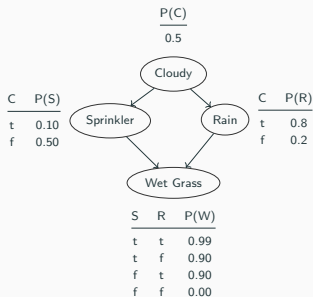


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# Likelihood Weighting (Importance Sampling)

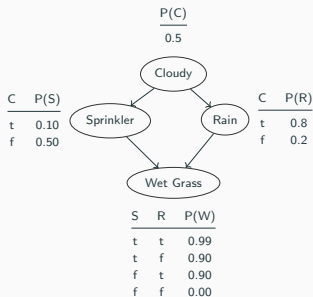
**Likelihood Weighting Idea:** Let's only generate samples consistent with the evidence

# Likelihood Weighting



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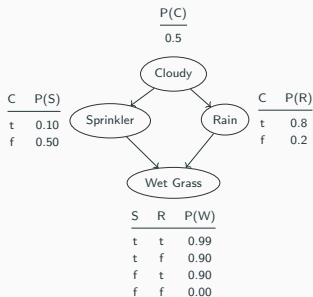
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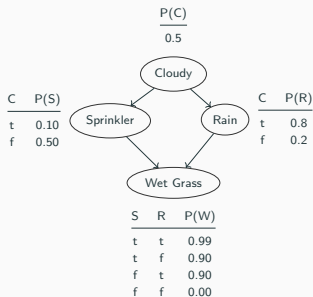


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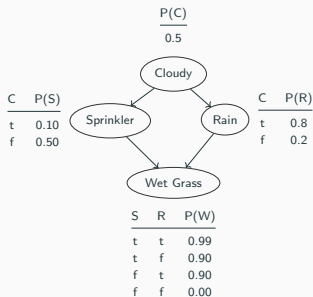
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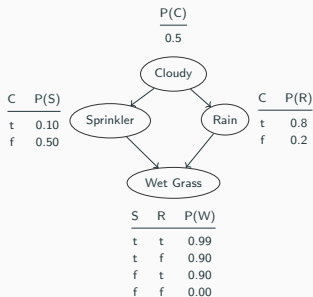
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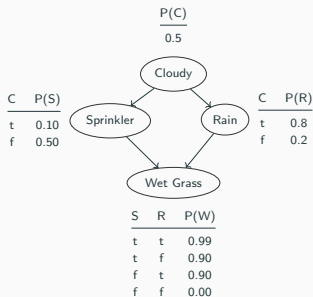
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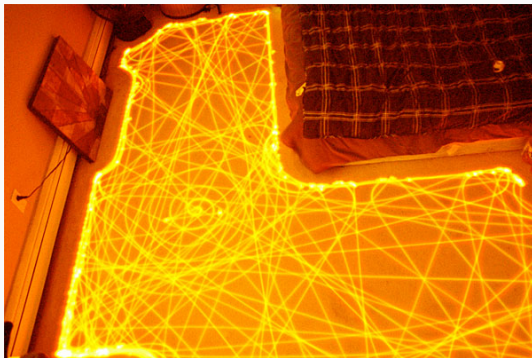
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