Inference in Markov Networks

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Markov Network Inference

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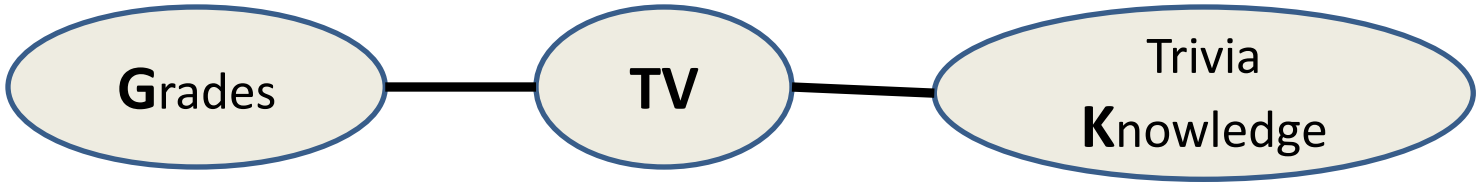

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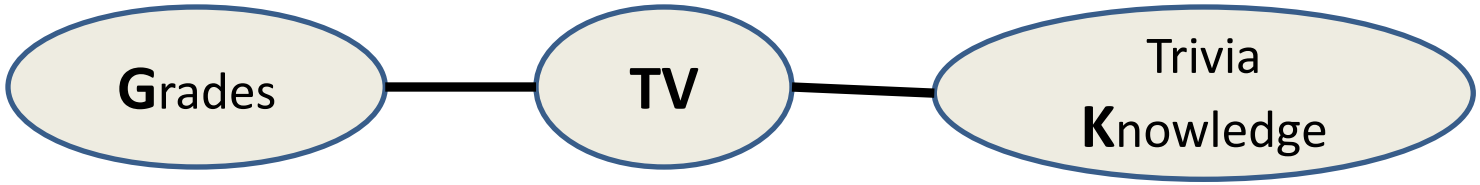
Markov Network Inference

- P(Grades | TV=Little)? Straightforward: enumerate, then re-normalize



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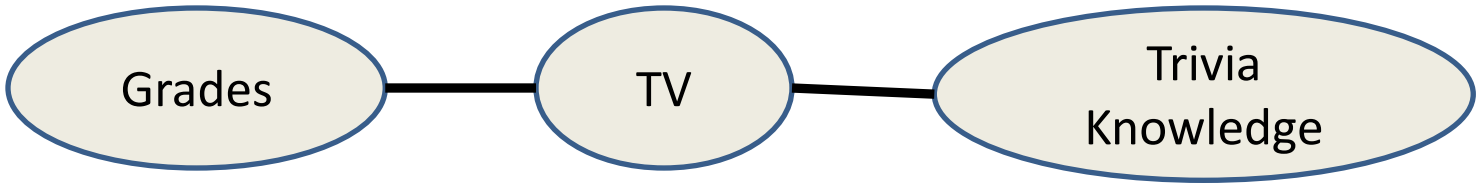
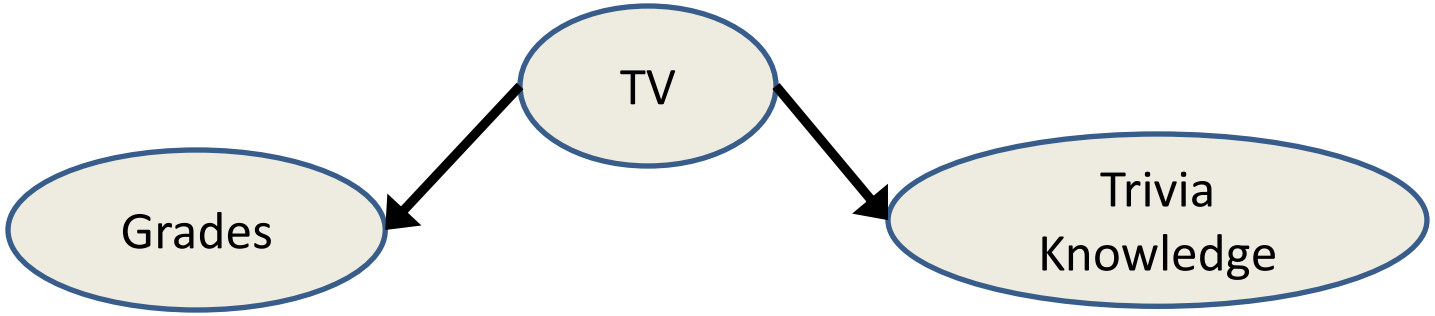
- P(Grades)? Tougher.



- Need to compute Z, requires summing over Trivia Knowledge as well. Compare with Bayes Net:

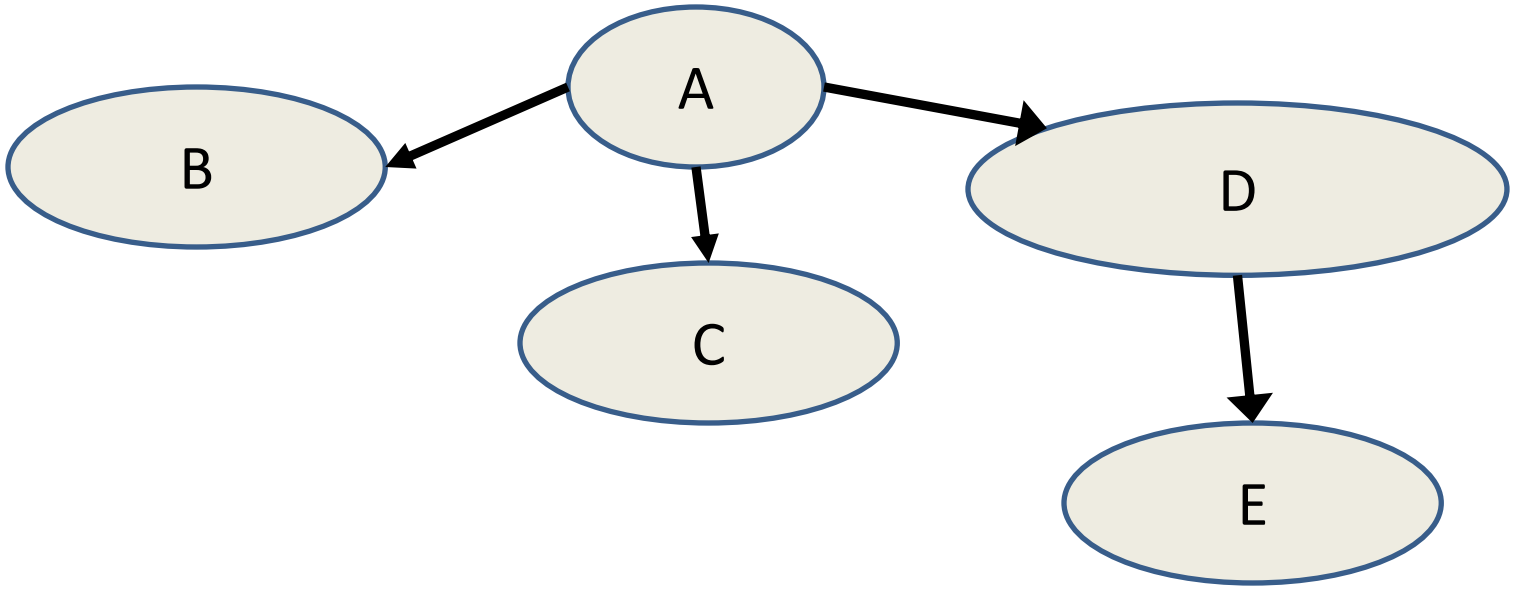


Inference in Markov Networks

- In general, we need to sum over the whole network
- A method for doing so is the *junction-tree* algorithm
  - As a side effect, it computes all the *marginals*
    - *P*(*Grades*), *P*(*TV*), *P*(*Trivia Knowledge*)
    - Key: can also compute these given evidence
  - We often want to do this for Bayes Nets too
    - Suggests a strategy: convert to Markov Network, then run junction tree algorithm

Junction Tree Algorithm

- High-level Intuition: Computing marginals is straightforward in a tree structure
- Consider a directed Bayes Net for example:

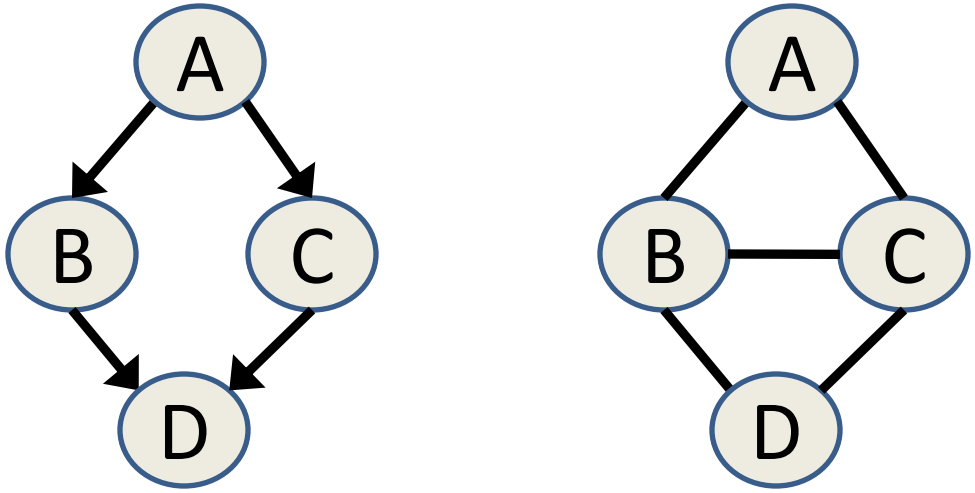


Junction Tree

- Inference of marginals is straightforward in a tree
  - Even if undirected, as we'll see
- Basic idea:
  - **If Bayes Net, convert to Markov Net**
  - Convert Markov Net into a tree structure
    - How?
      Triangulate, Build Clique Graph, Build Junction Tree
  - Do Inference on Junction Tree

Convert to Markov Net

- Consider this Bayes Net conversion:



- What are the factors of the Markov Net?

Junction Tree Outline

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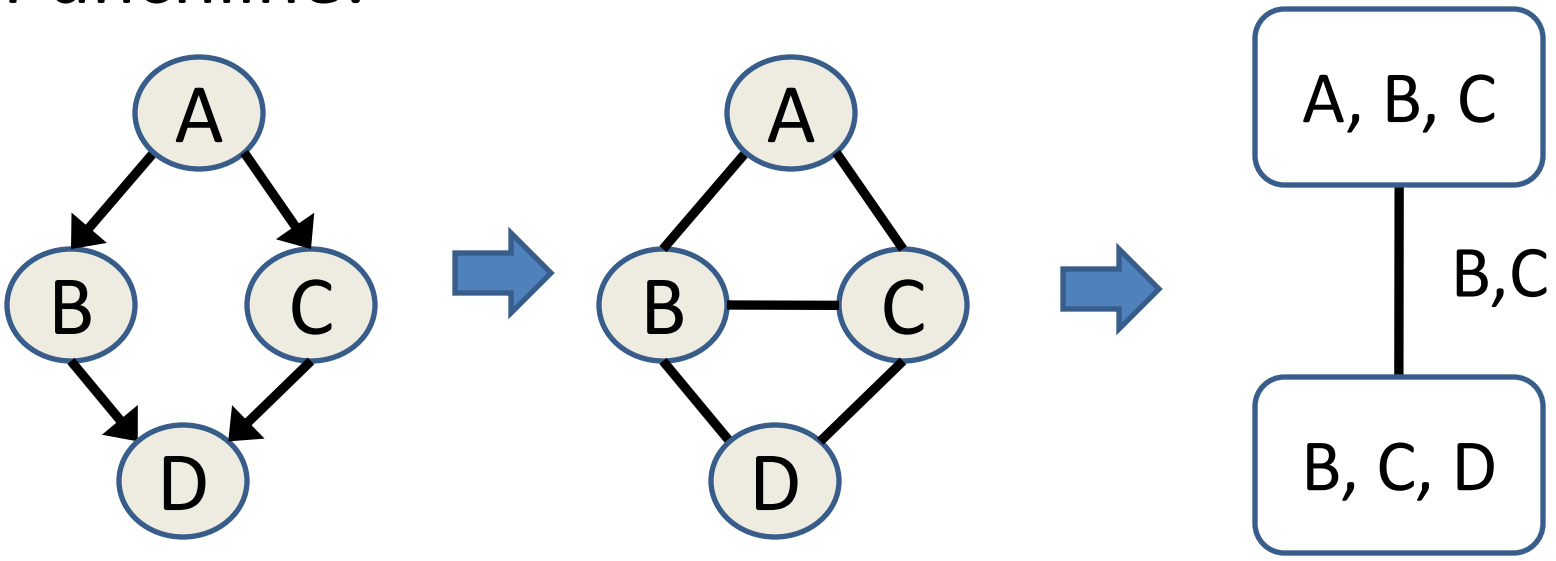
Convert Markov Net into Junction Tree

- Punchline:



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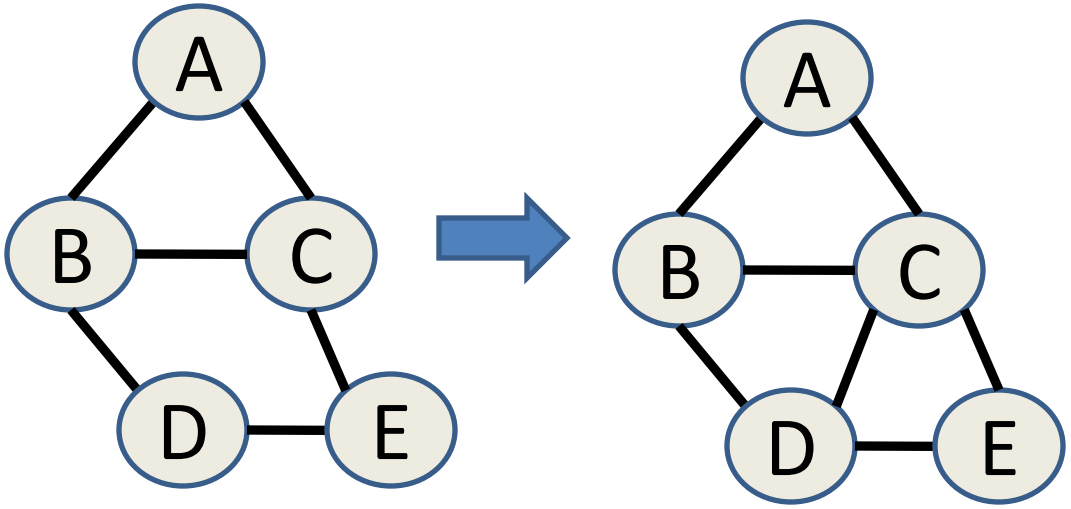
Triangulation => “Chordal” Graph

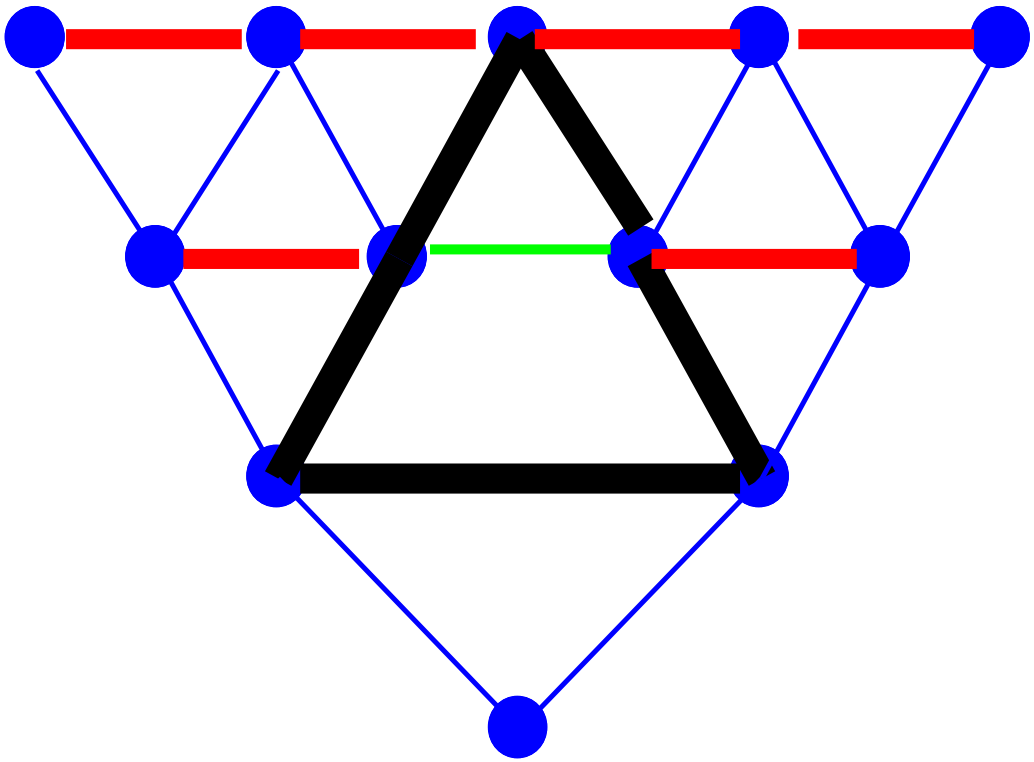
- Goal: Every cycle of length > 3 has a chord



- Why? Stay tuned.

Triangulation Algorithm

Repeat while there exists a cycle of length > 3 with no chord:
Add a chord (edge between two non-adjacent vertices in such a cycle).



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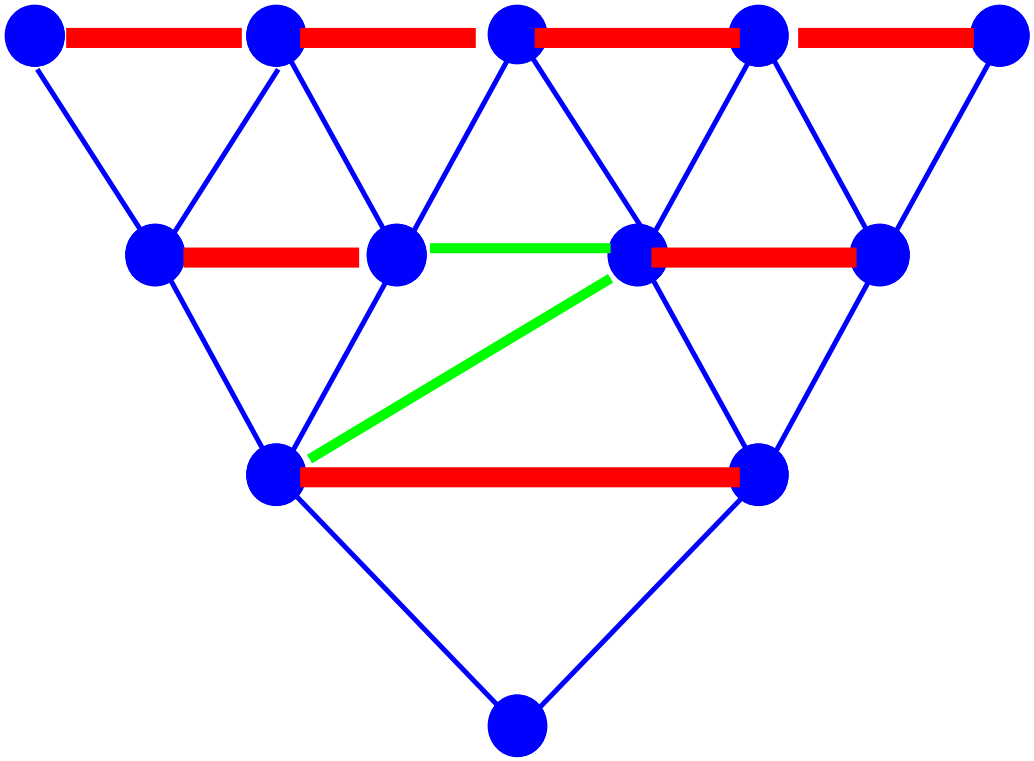

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Triangulation Checking (2 of 3)

Input: Graph *G* with *n* nodes

Output: “Is *G* triangulated?”

Algorithm:

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Choose any node, label it 1
for i = 2 to n
    Find node with most labeled neighbors, label it i
    if i has two non-adjacent labeled neighbors
        return false
return true
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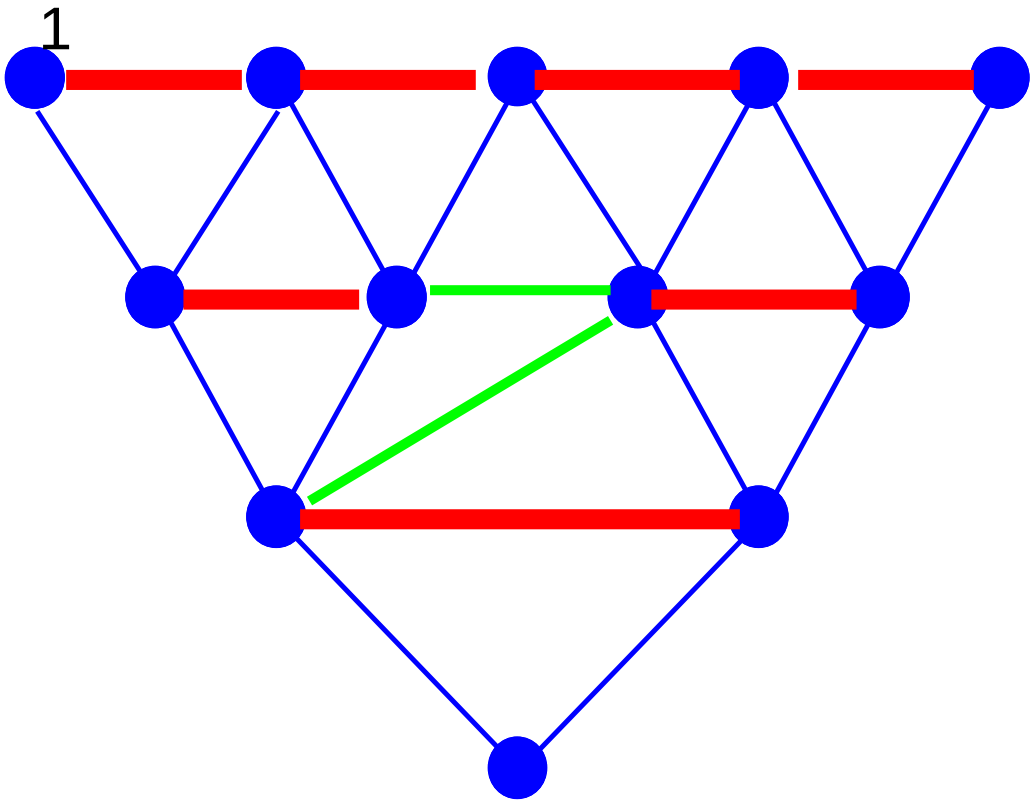

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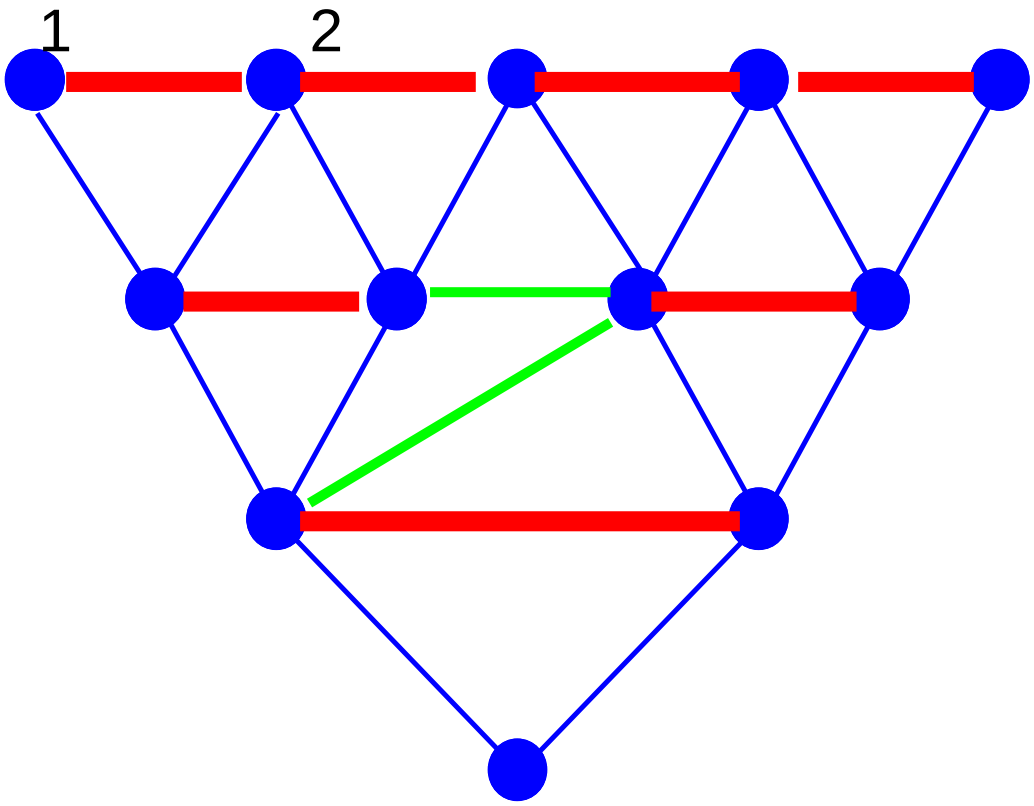

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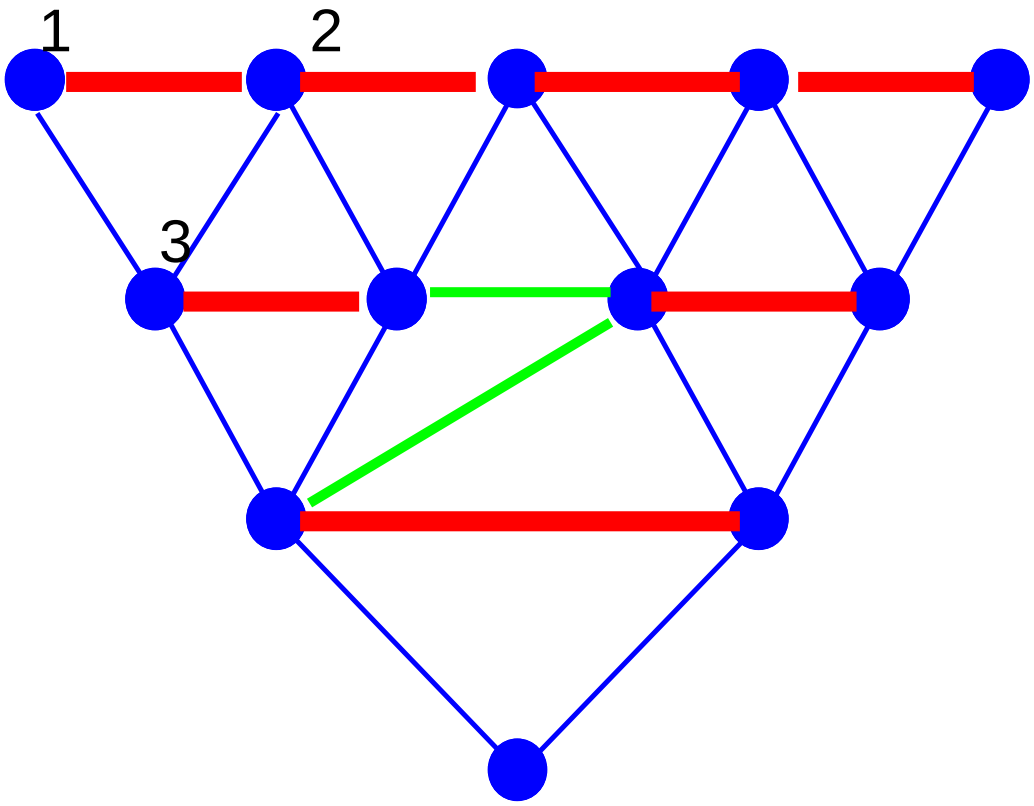

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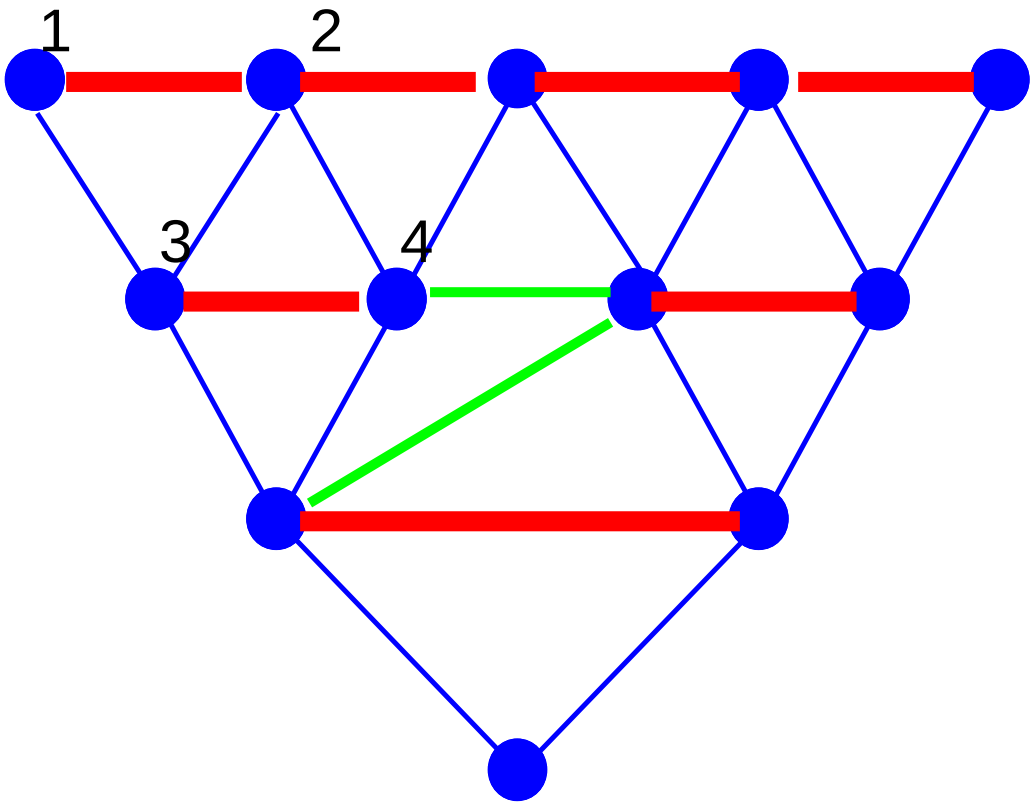

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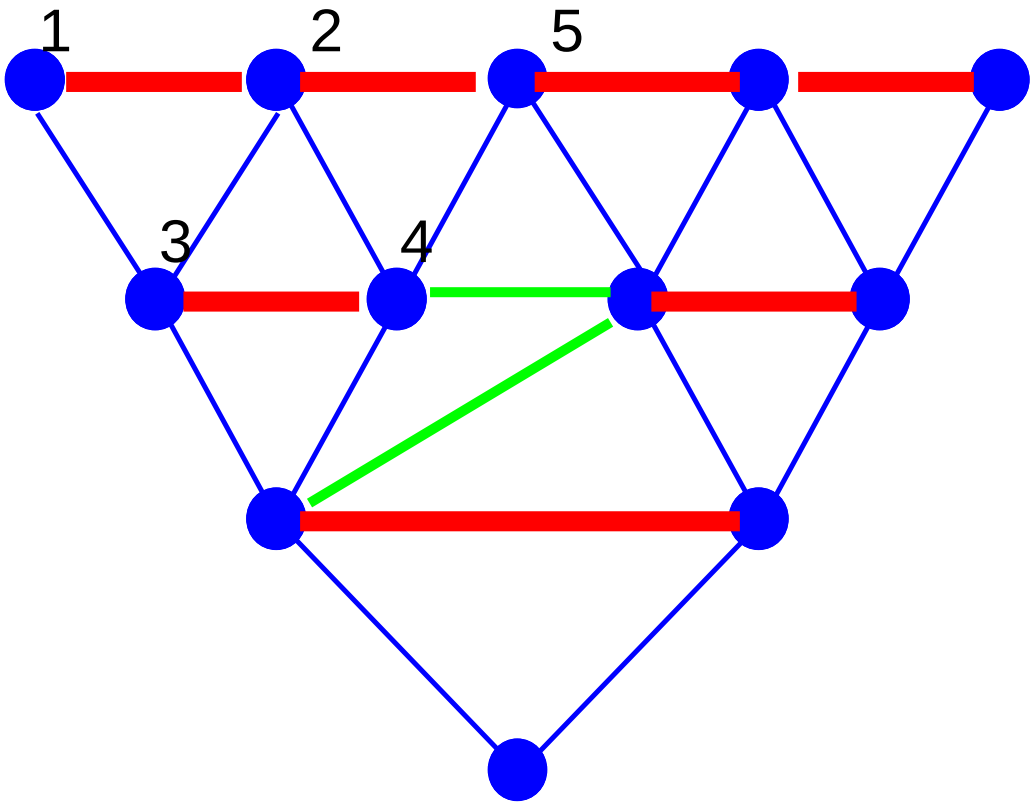

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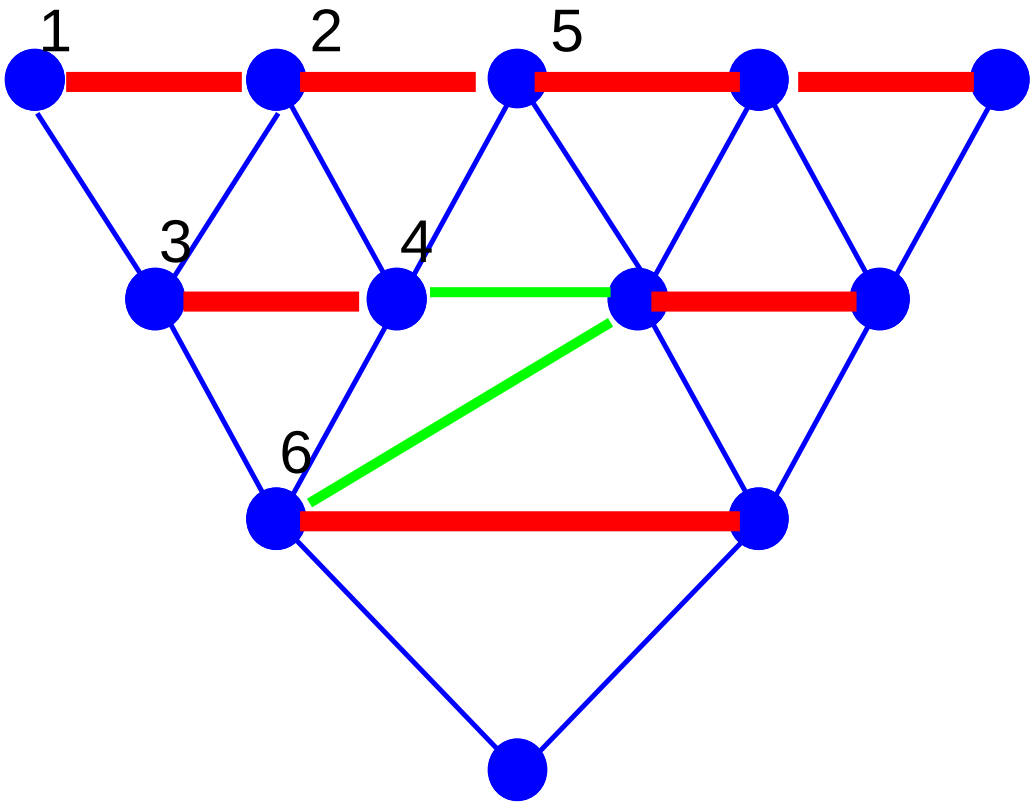

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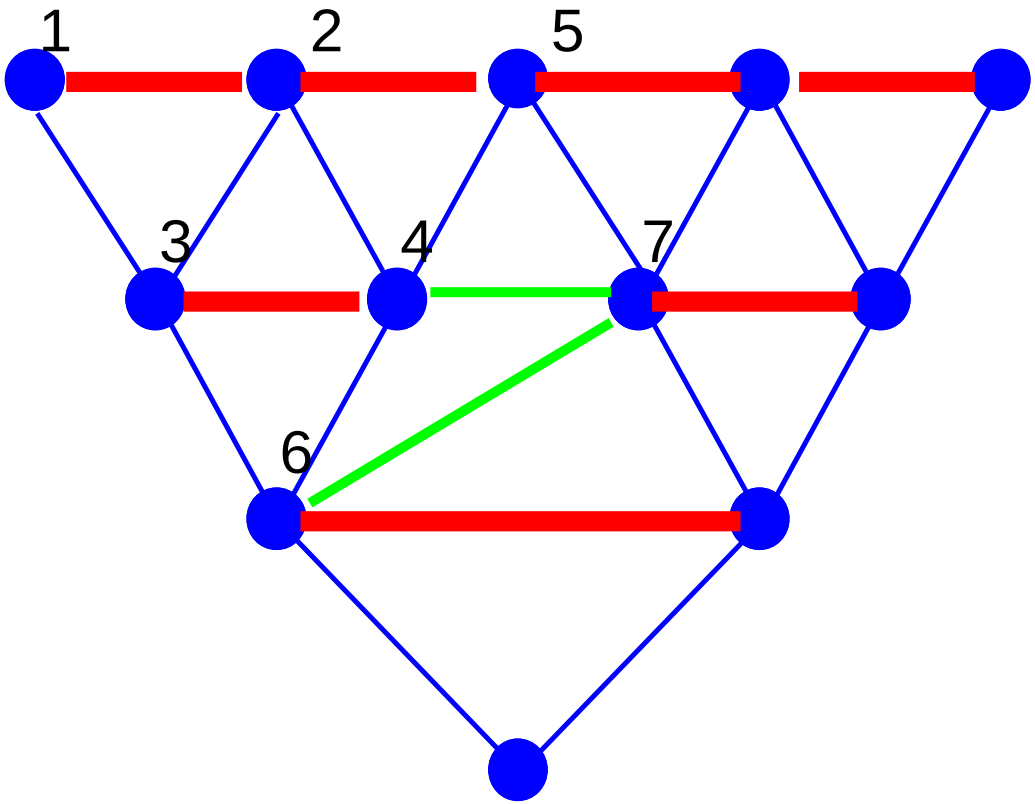
No edge between nodes 5 and 6, both of which are parents of



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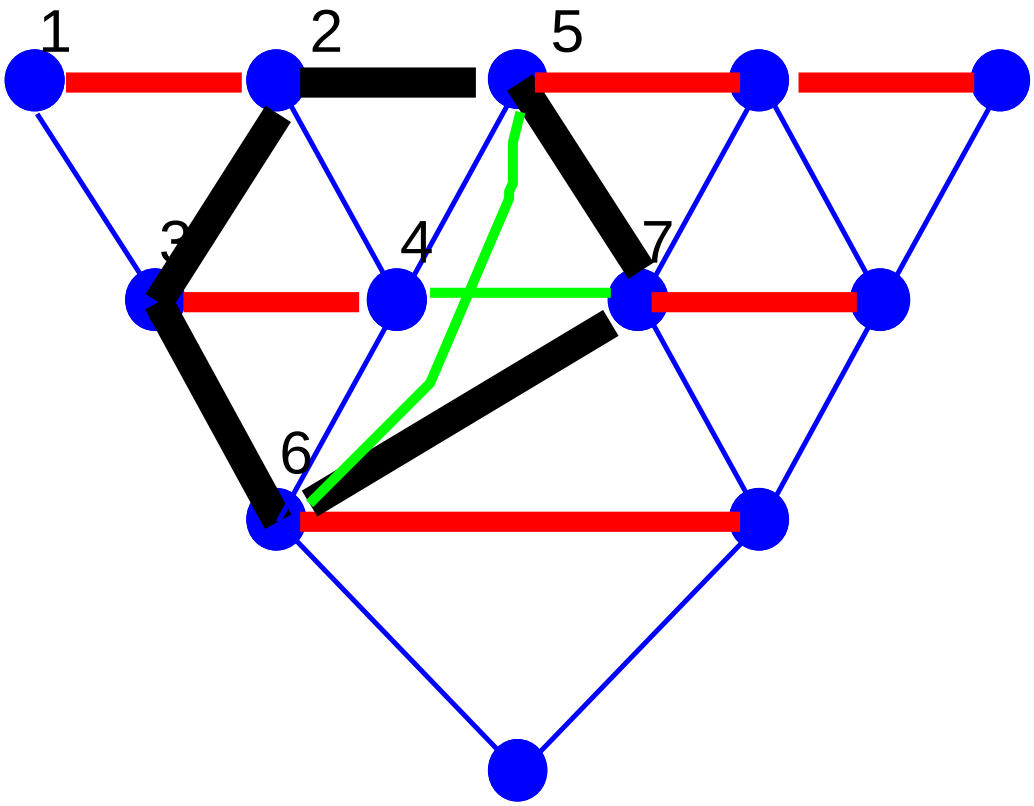
Connect the two offending nodes



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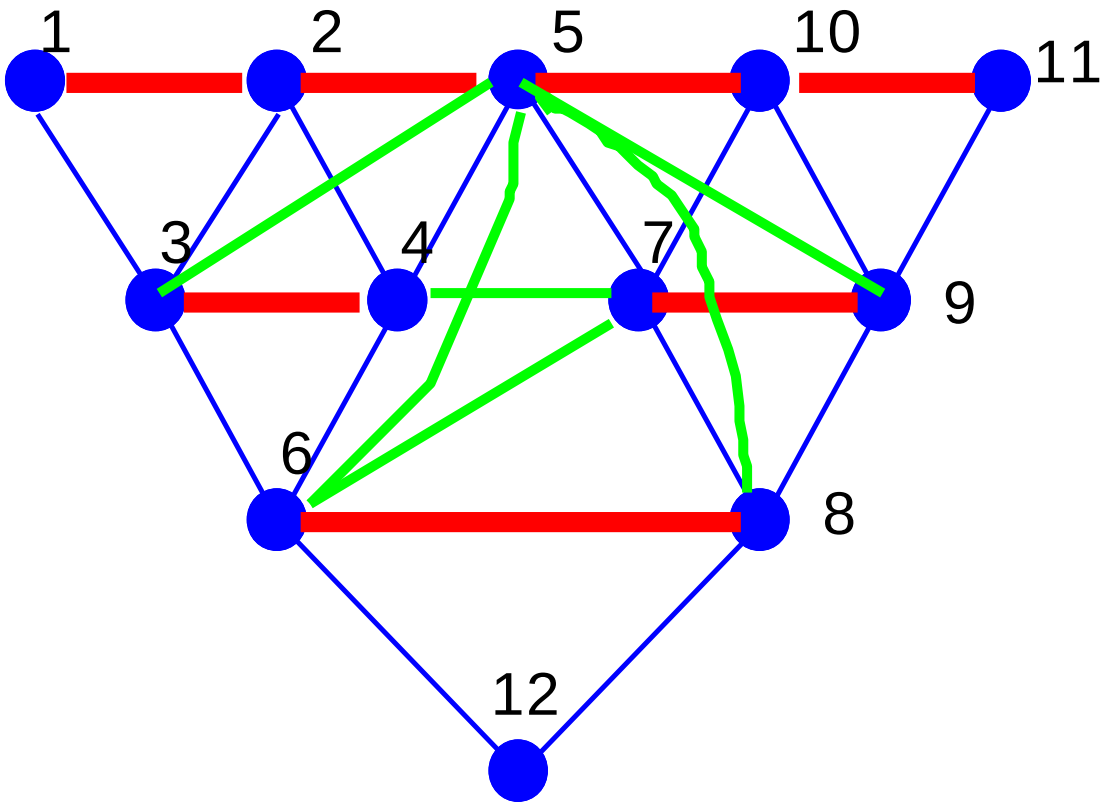
Repeat Until Triangulation Check Succeeds



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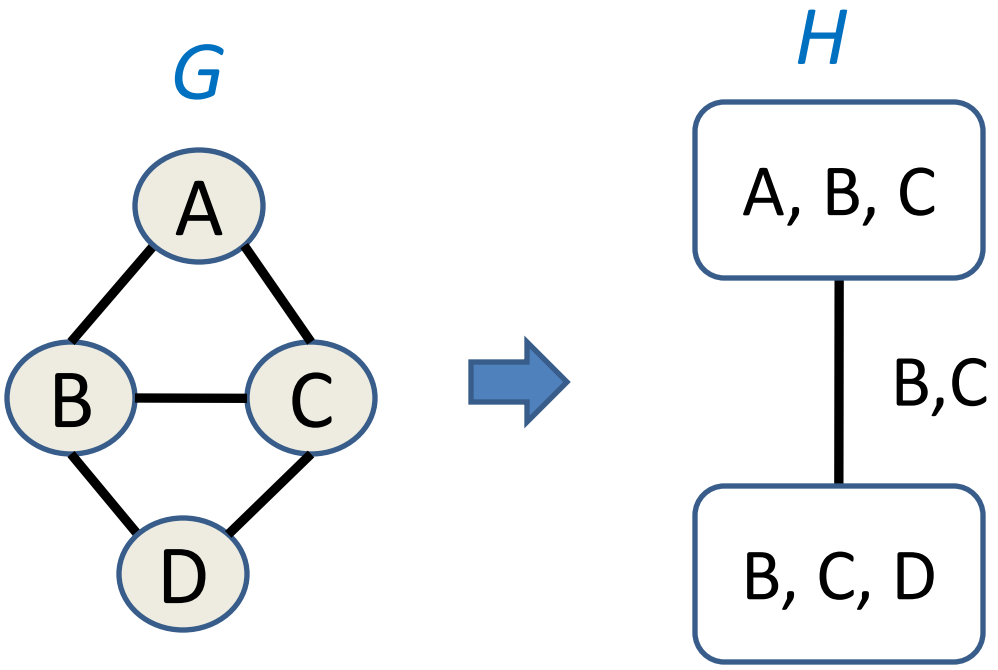
Building Clique Graph *H*

- Create a **node** in *H* for each maximal clique in *G*
- Create **edges** in *H* between adjacent cliques in *G*
  - Convenience: Label edges in *H* with nodes' intersection



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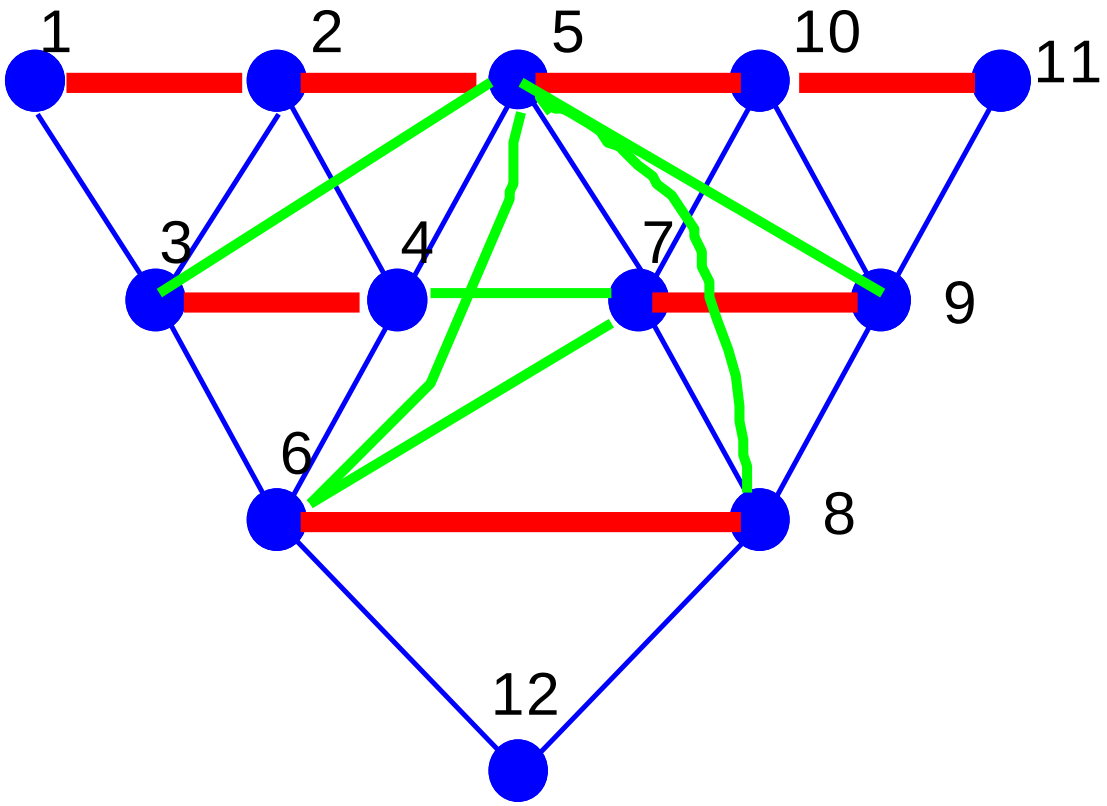

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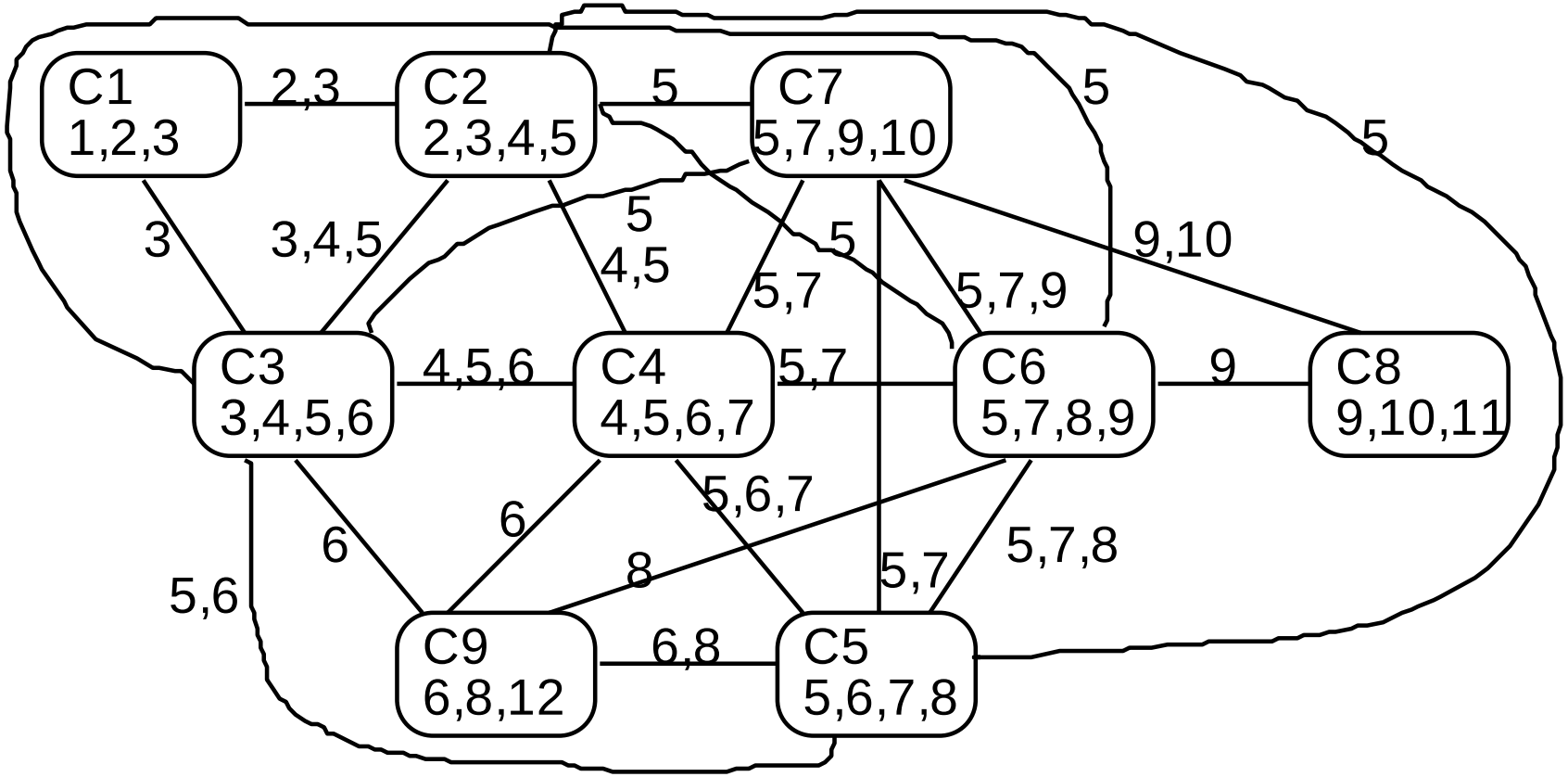

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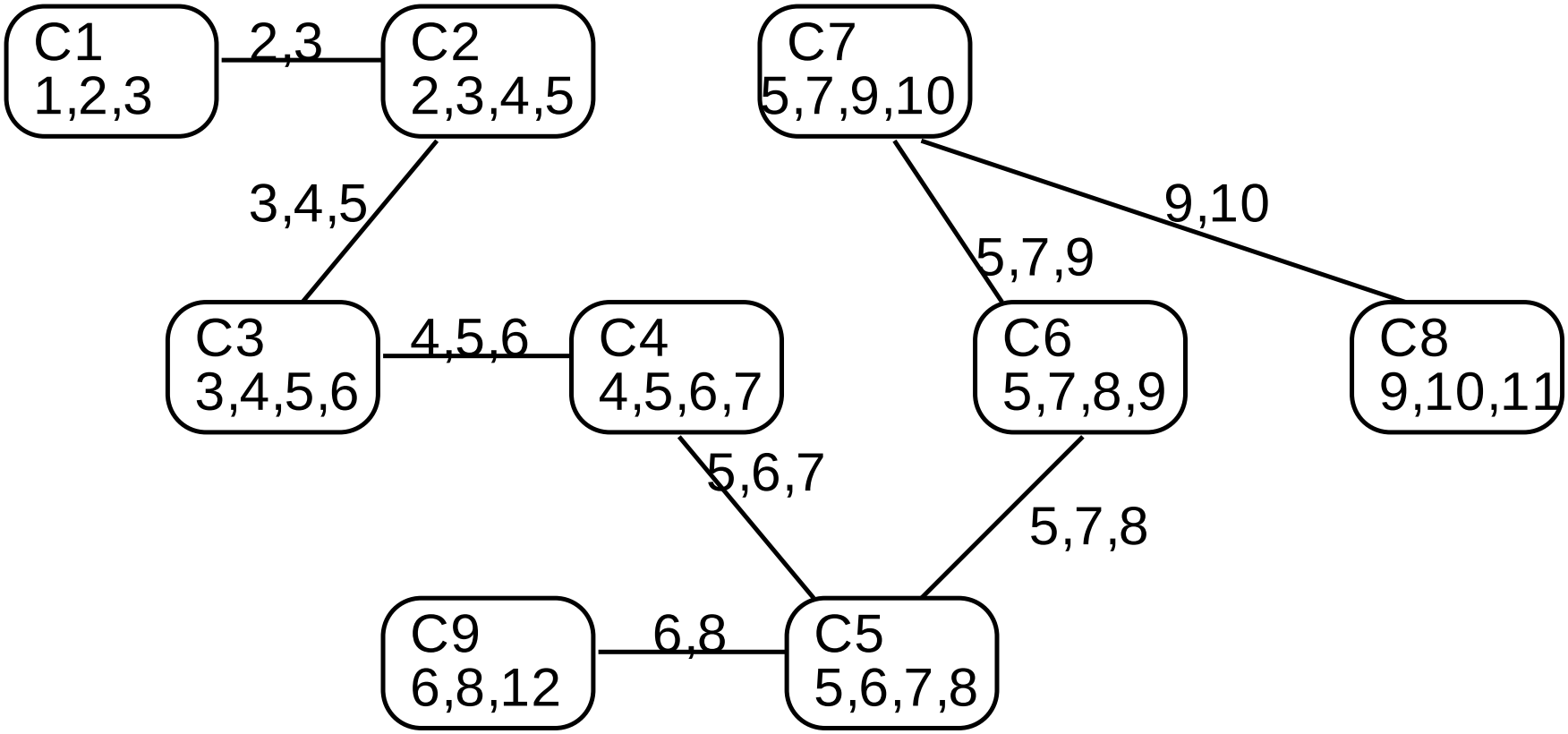

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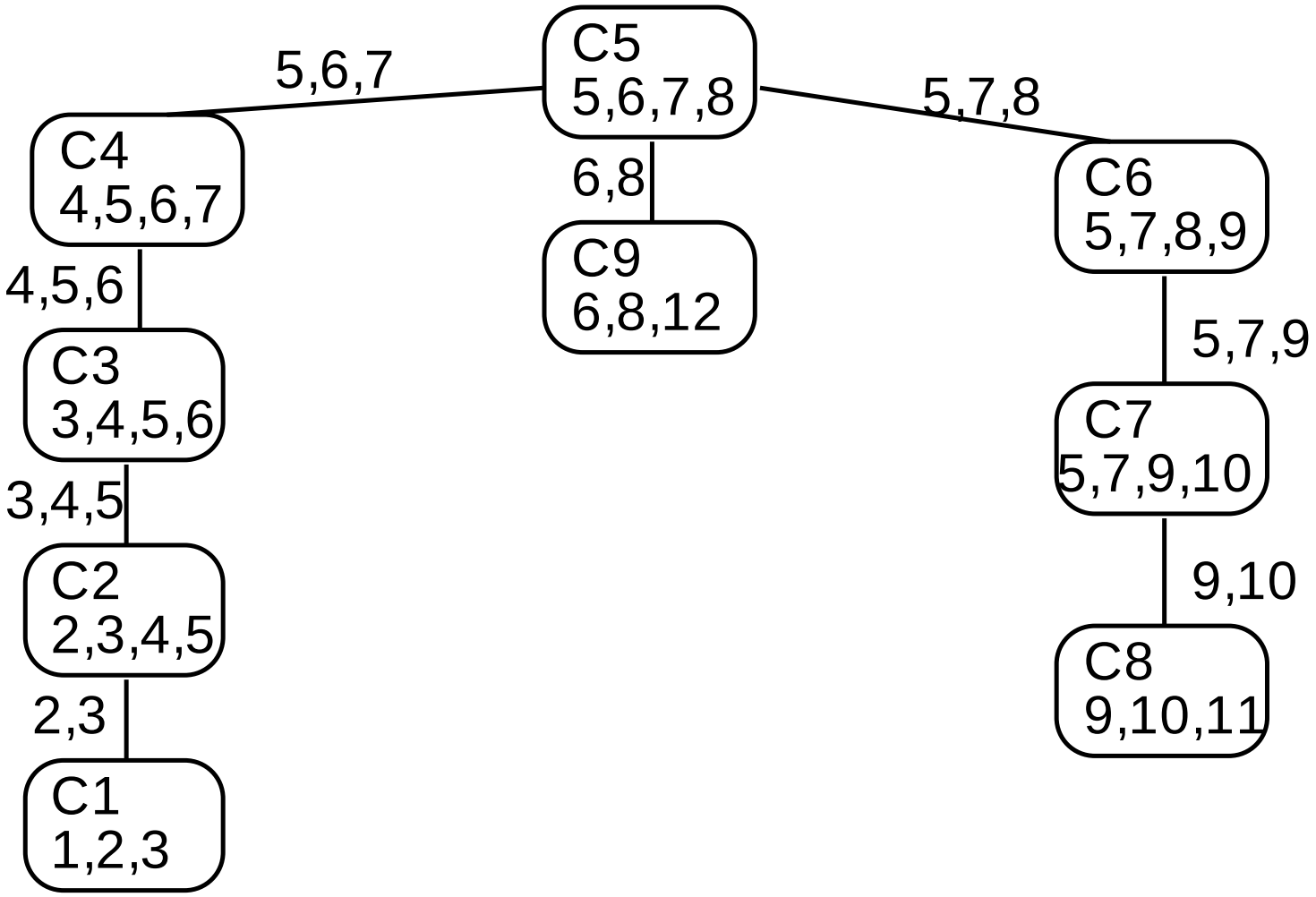

Remember This?

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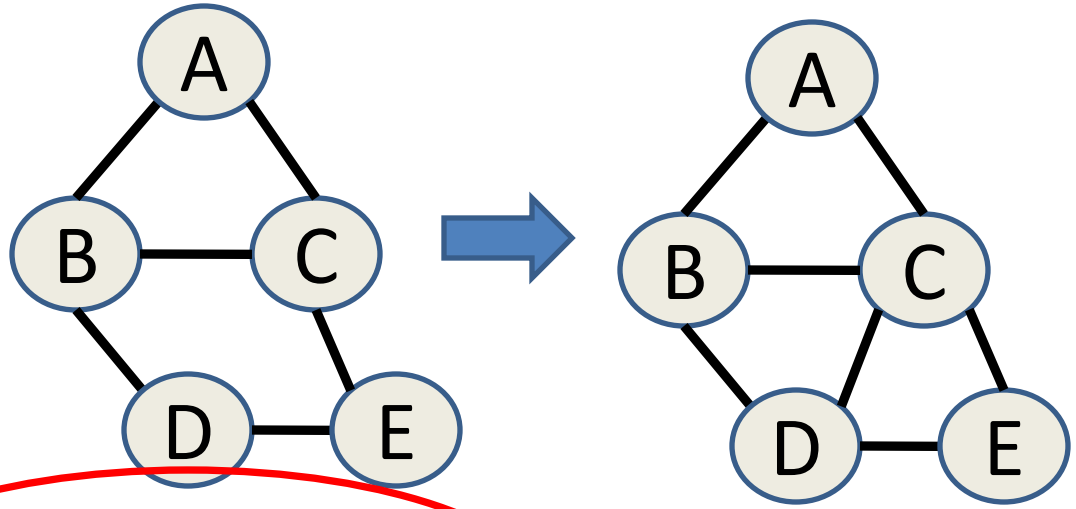


- Why? Stay tuned.

Can we always find a Junction Tree?

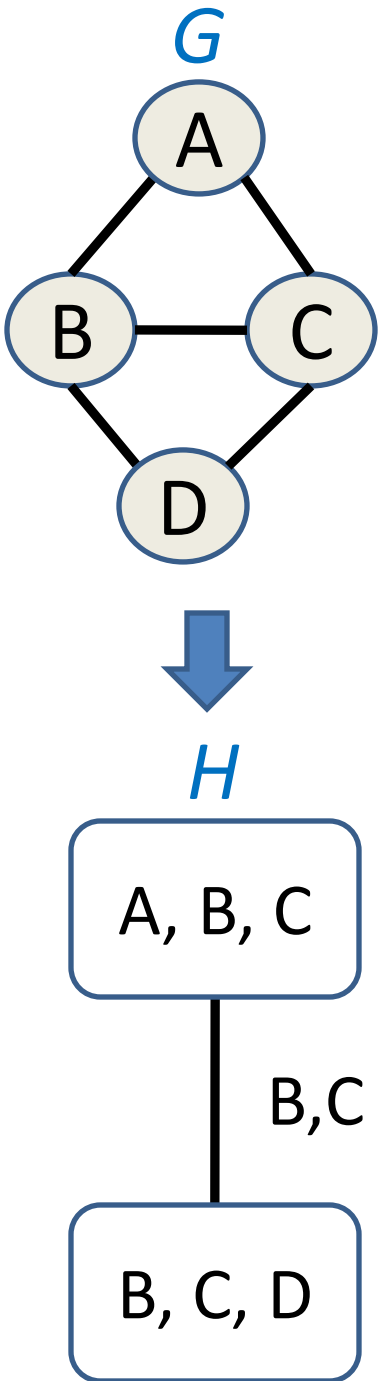
- Yes, for clique graphs of triangulated graphs
- Define “edge weight” on the clique graph to be the size of the intersection
  - Then a maximum-weight spanning tree is a junction tree
    [Jensen & Jensen, 1994]

Junction Tree

- If Bayes Net, convert to Markov Net
- Convert Markov Net into Tree
  - Triangulate
  - Build Clique Graph
  - Build Junction Tree
- **Do Inference on Tree**

Inference

- **Initialize** clique nodes
  - Clique node in *H* is a table assigning values to its variable combinations
  - Put each potential function (or CPT) in *G* into exactly one node in *H*
  - Combine by multiplying "pointwise" (as in variable elimination)



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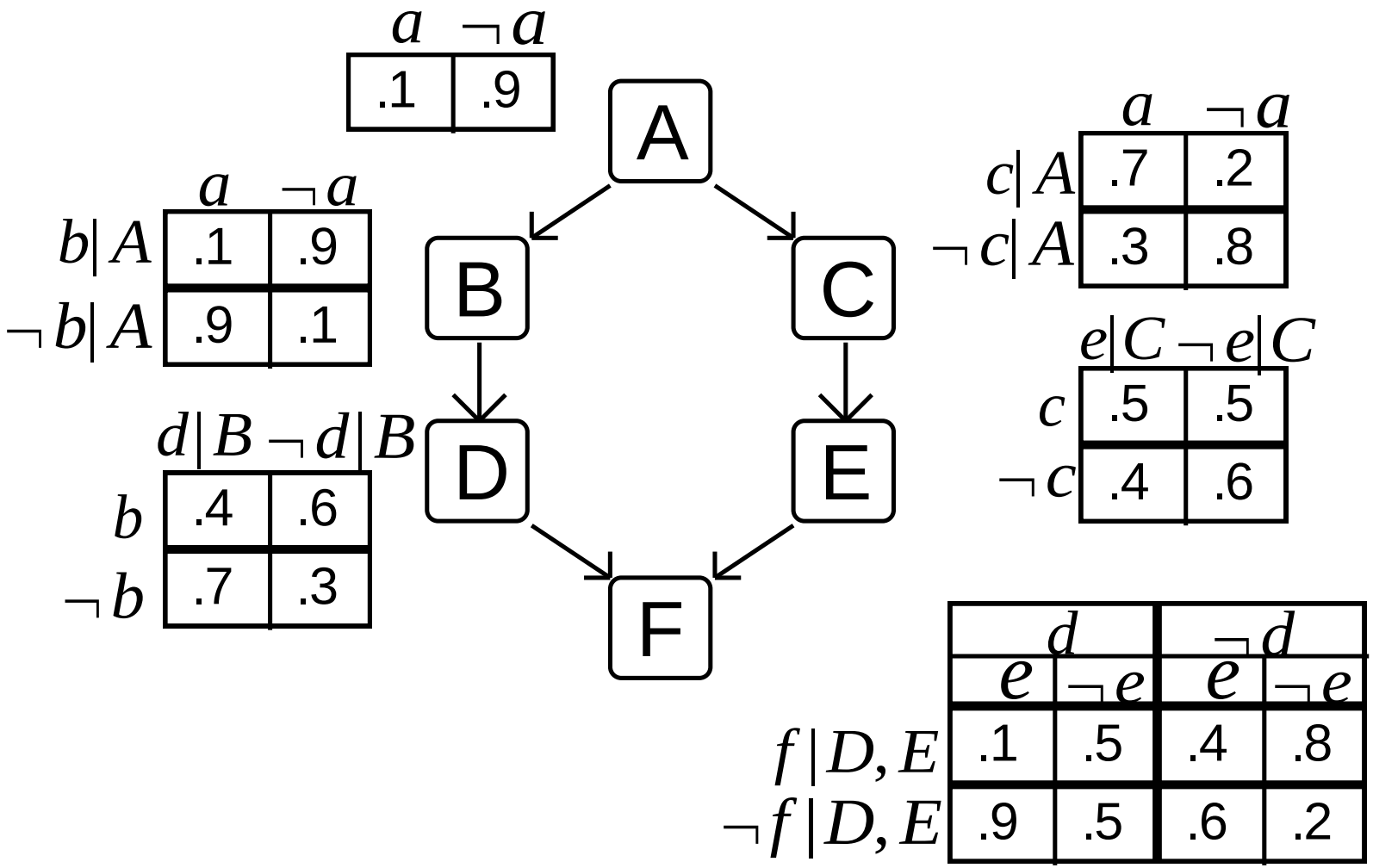

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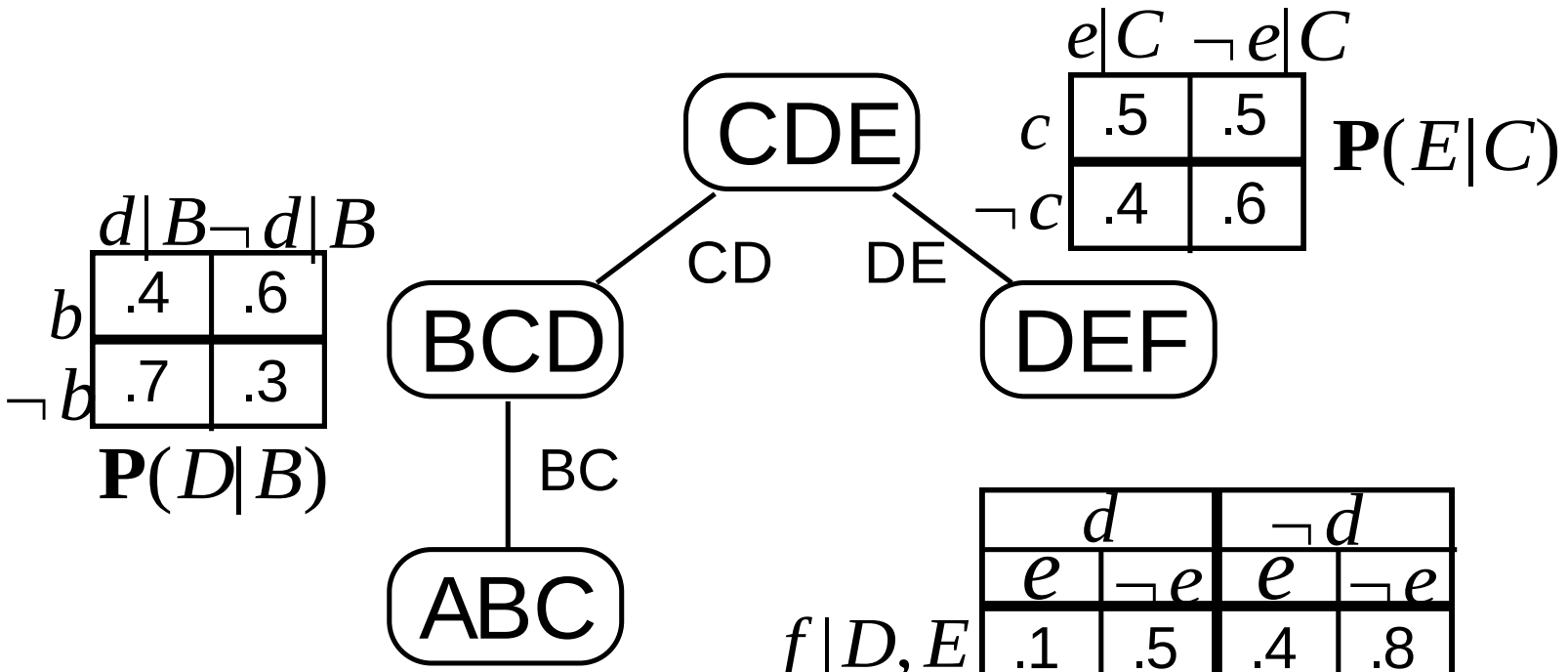
Junction Tree with CPTs



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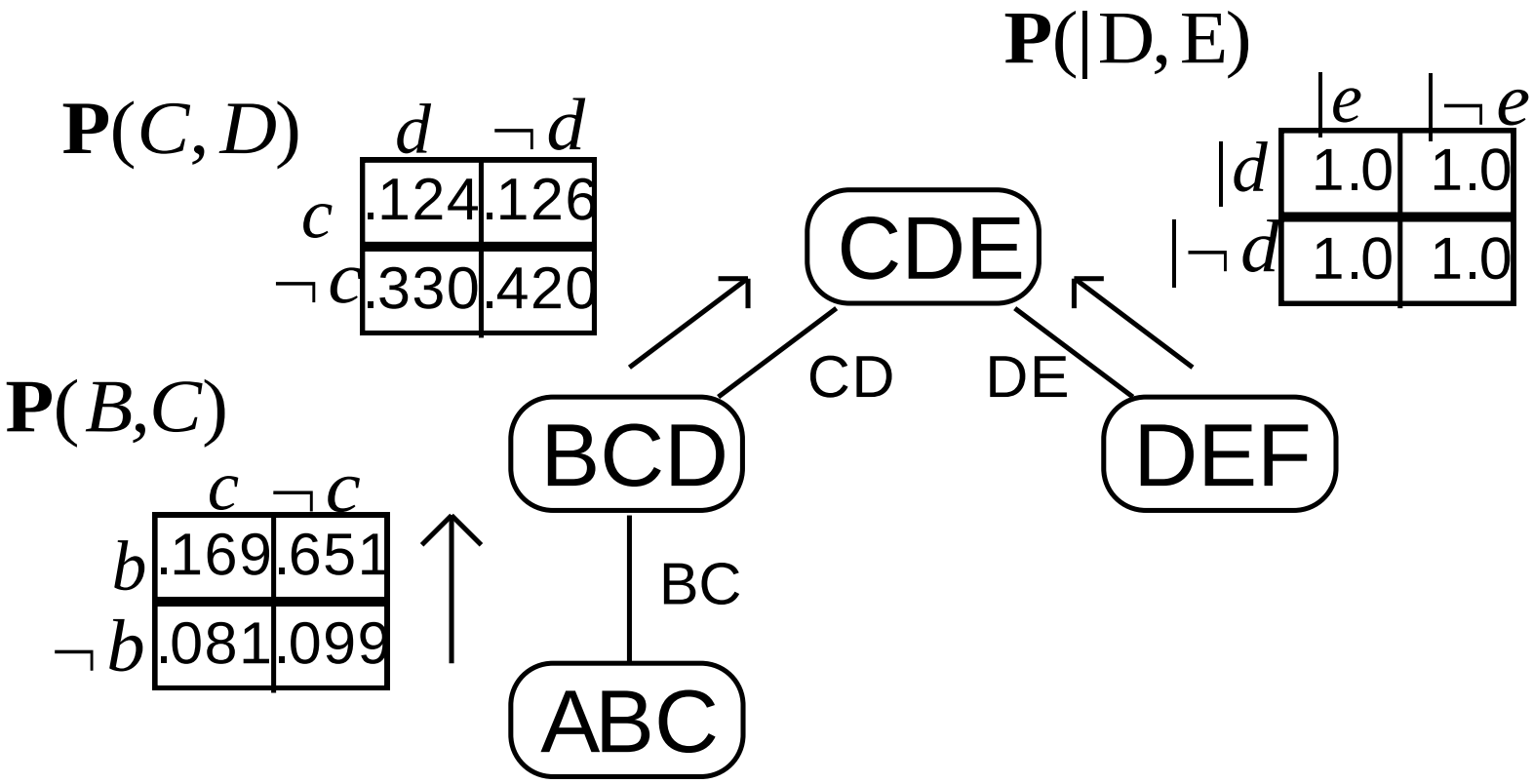
Junction Tree Algorithm

- Incorporate Evidence -- For each $E = e$
  - Find one junction tree node containing E
  - Zero out all cells with $E \neq e$
- Upward Pass (from leaves to root)
  - Each leaf sends message to parent
    - Message = leaf's table after summing out variables not in parent
  - Parent propagates message
    - Multiplies in the child's message, then repeats process

Junction Tree Algorithm

- Downward Pass
  - Root sends child a message
    - Divides its table by child's message from upward pass
    - Sums out variables not in child, and sends
  - Child propagates the message
    - After multiplying in parent's message, child's table is the joint distribution over its variables
    - Child continues the process (acts as root)

Upward Pass – assume no evidence



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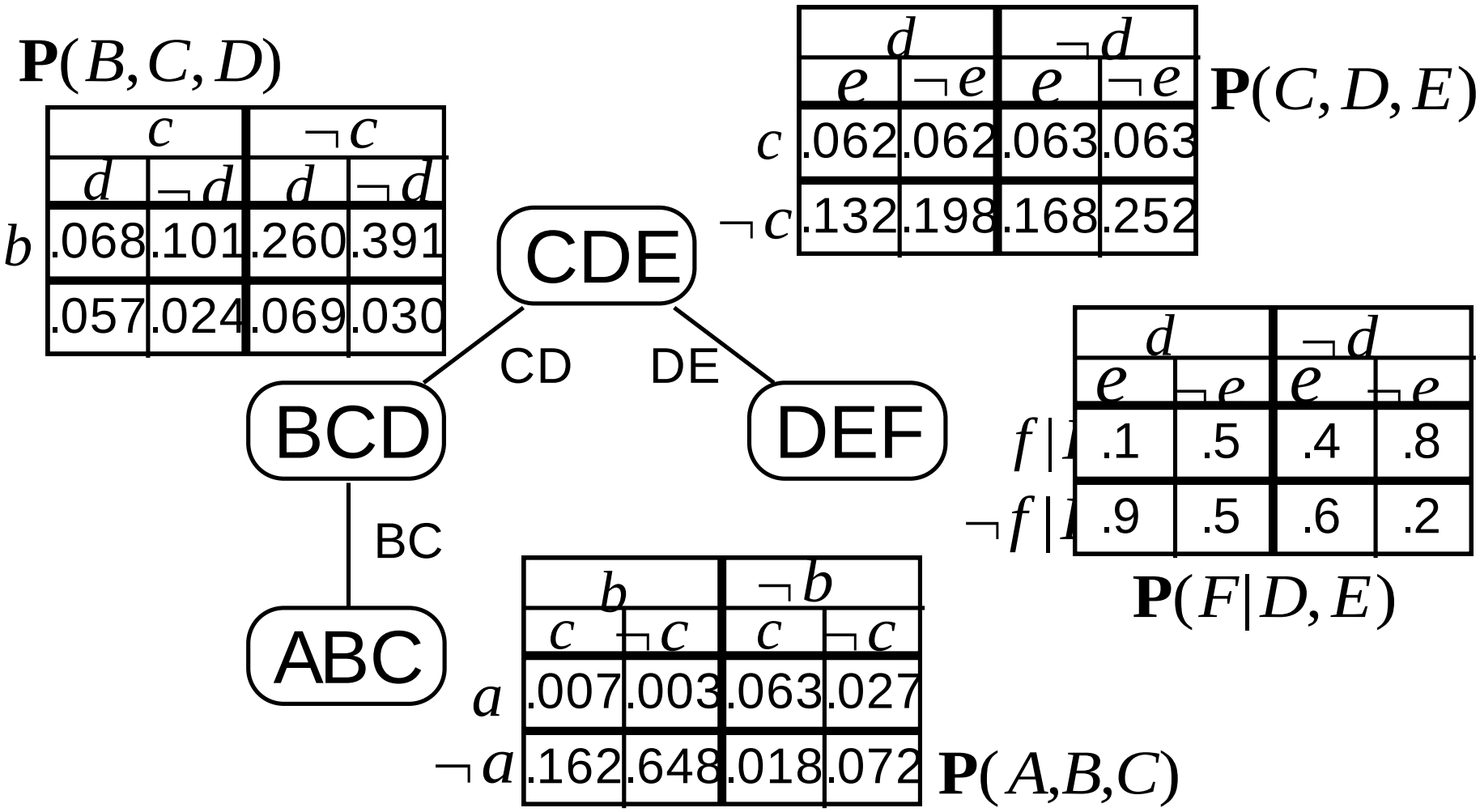

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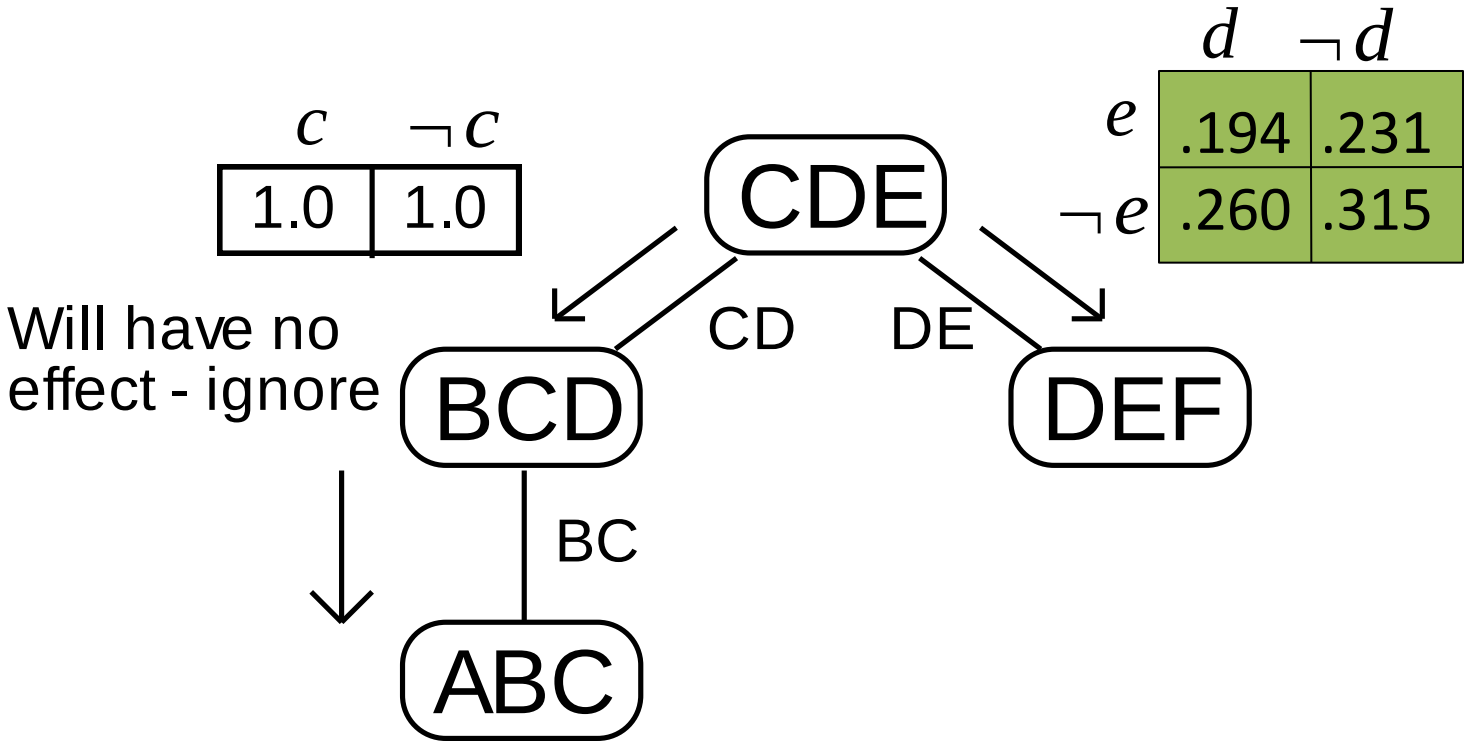

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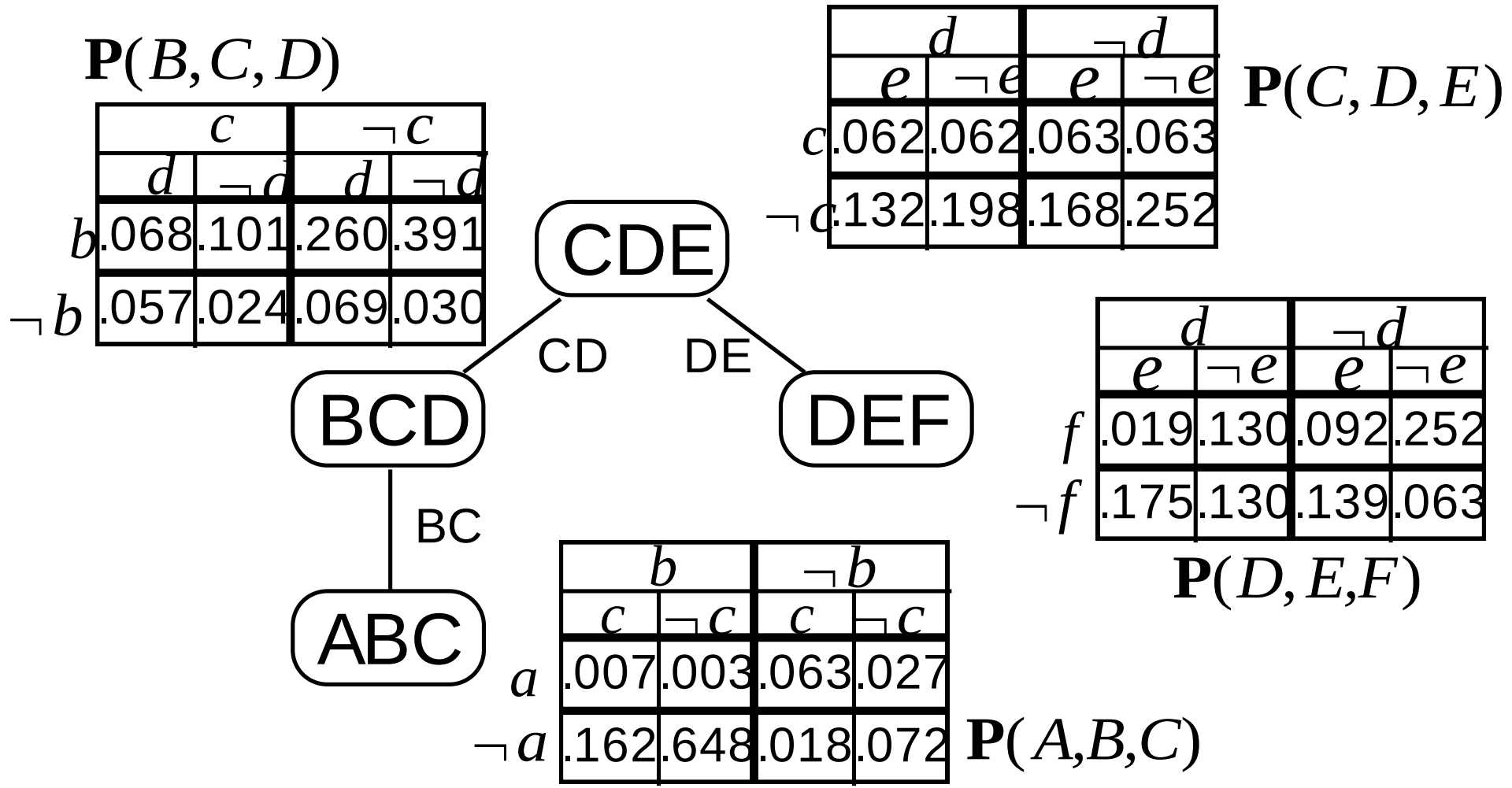

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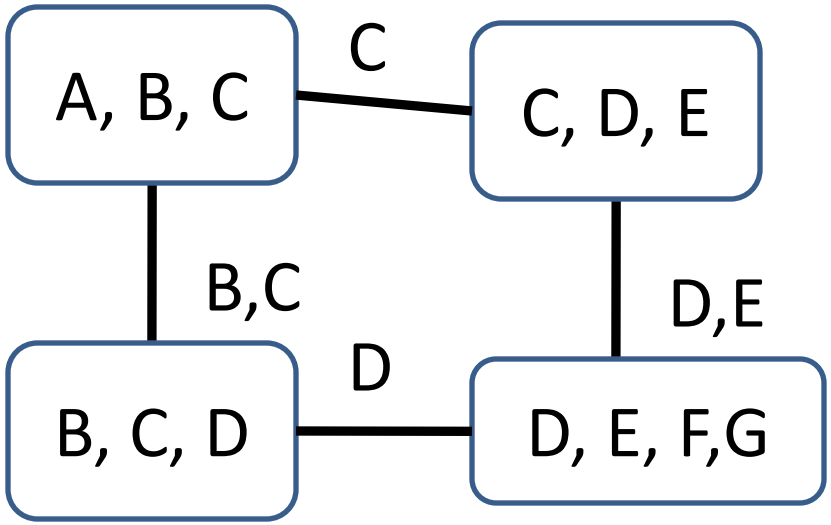
Why a Tree?

- Consider the alternative – cycles:



- Previous algorithm not applicable -- can't define upward, downward pass

Finishing touches

- We have joint distributions
  - P(A, B, C), P(C, D, E), etc.
- Compute marginals by summing out
  - Key: These sums are over small #s of variables
- If evidence changes, we repeat forward-backward pass
  - BUT we don't have to re-compute the junction tree (= savings)