

# Overview

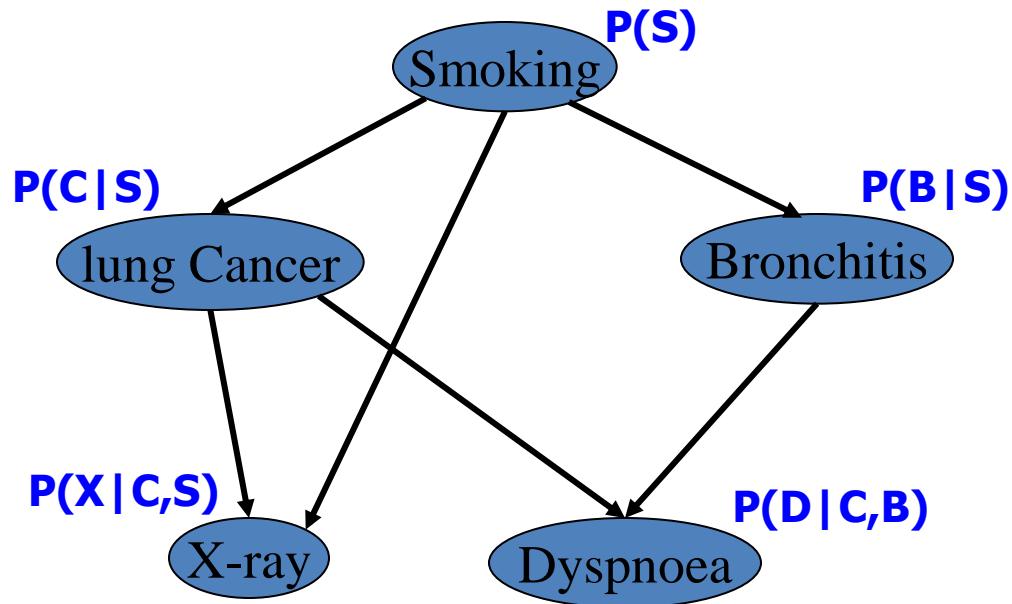
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# Bayesian Networks: Representation

(Pearl, 1988)



CPTs :  $P(X_i | pa(X_i))$

$$P(X) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i | pa(X_i))$$

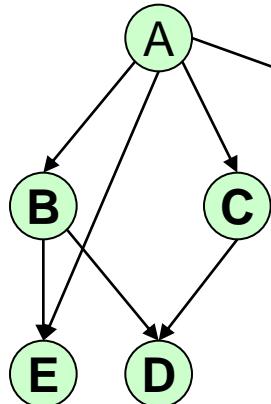
$$P(S, C, B, X, D) = P(S) P(C|S) P(B|S) P(X|C,S) P(D|C,B)$$

## Belief Updating:

$$P(\text{lung cancer=yes} \mid \text{smoking=no, dyspnoea=yes}) = ?$$

# Mixed Networks: Mixing Belief and Constraints

## Belief or Bayesian Networks



$P(D | B, C)$

B	C	D=0	D=1
0	0	0	1
0	1	.1	.9
1	0	.3	.7
1	1	1	0

$B =$

Variables :  $A, B, C, D, E, F$

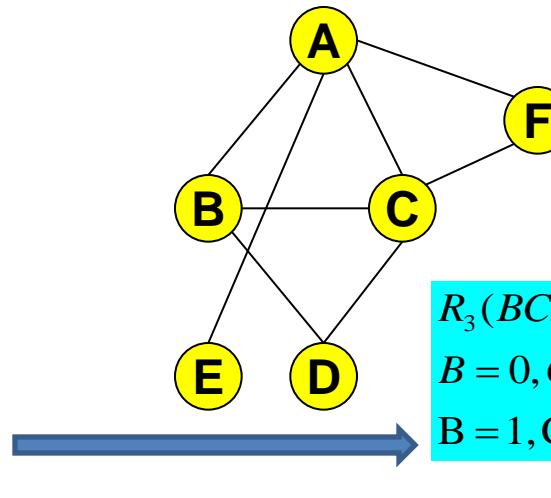
Domains :  $D_A = D_B = D_C = D_D = D_E = D_F = \{0,1\}$

CPTs:  $P(A), P(B | A), P(C | A), P(D | B, C)$

$P(E | A, B), P(F | A)$

**Constraints could be specified externally or may occur as zeros in the Belief network**

## Constraint Networks



$R_3(BCD)$

$B = 0, C = 0, D = 0$  is not allowed

$B = 1, C = 1, D = 1$  is not allowed

$R =$

Variables :  $A, B, C, D, E, F$

Domains :  $D_A = D_B = D_C = D_D = D_E = D_F = \{0,1\}$

Constraints :  $R_1(ABC), R_2(ACF), R_3(BCD), R_4(A, E)$

Expresses the set of solutions :  $sol(R)$

# Mixed networks: Distribution and Queries

- The distribution represented by a mixed network

$T = (B, R)$ :

$$P_T(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{M} P_B(x), & \text{if } x \in sol(R) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Queries:

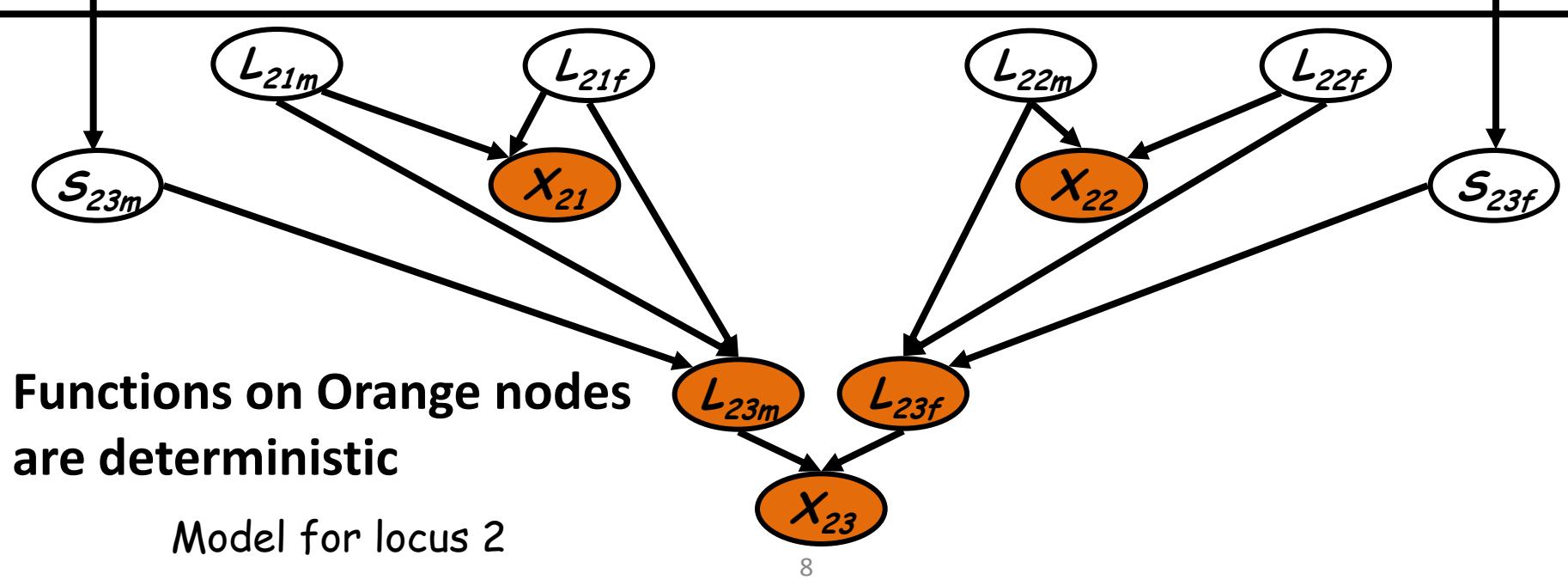
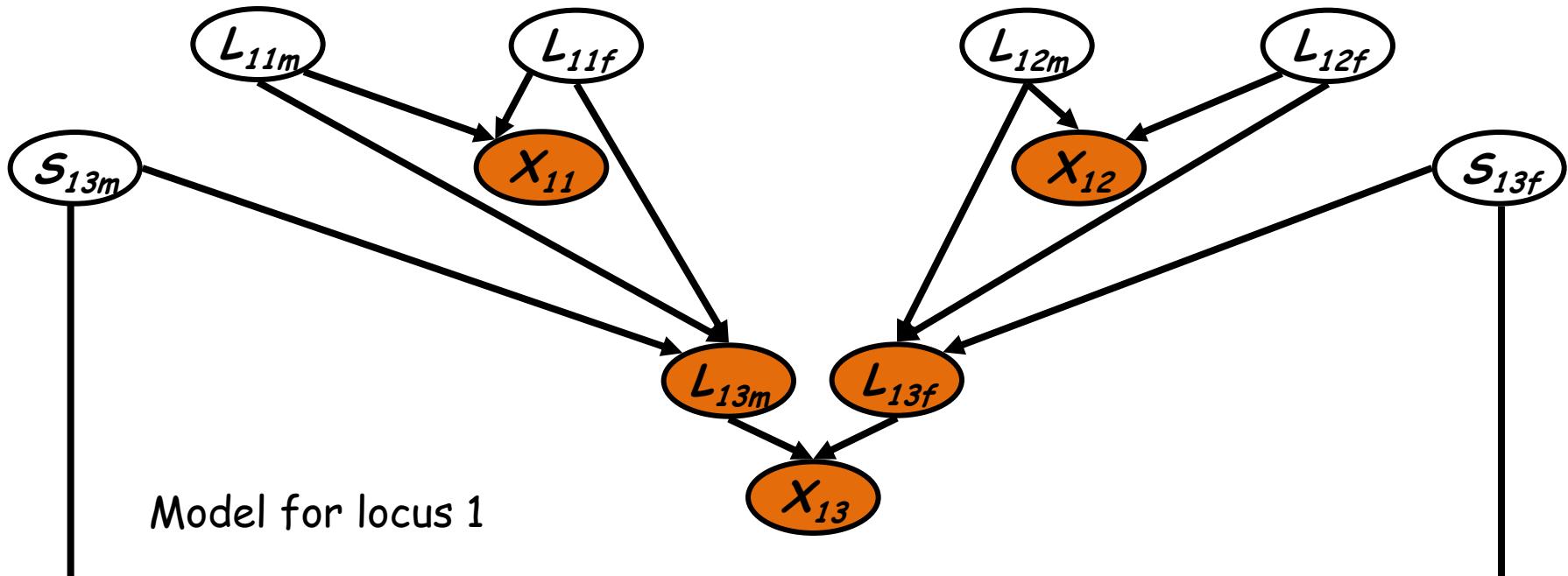
- Weighted Counting (Equivalent to  $P(e)$ , partition function, solution counting)

$$M = \sum_{x \in sol(R)} P_B(x)$$

- Marginal distribution:  $P_T(X_i)$

# Applications

- **Determinism:** More Ubiquitous than you may think!
- **Transportation Planning** (Liao et al. 2004, Gogate et al. 2005)
  - Predicting and Inferring Car Travel Activity of individuals
- **Genetic Linkage Analysis** (Fischelson and Geiger, 2002)
  - associate functionality of genes to their location on chromosomes.
- **Functional/Software Verification** (Bergeron, 2000)
  - Generating random test programs to check validity of hardware
- **First Order Probabilistic models** (Domingos et al. 2006, Milch et al. 2005)
  - Citation matching



# Approximate Inference

- Approximations are hard with determinism
  - Randomized Polynomial  $\epsilon$ -approximation possible when no zeros are present (Karp 1993, Cheng 2001)
  - $\epsilon$ -approximation NP-hard in the presence of zeros
  - Gibbs sampling is problematic when MCMC is not ergodic.
- Current remedies
  - Replace zeros with very small values (Laplace correction: Naive Bayes, NLP)
  - bad performance when zeros or determinism is real!

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- SampleSearch: Sampling with Searching
  - Rejection problem
  - Recovery, and analysis
  - Empirical evaluation
- Exploiting structure in sampling: AND/OR  
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# Importance Sampling: Overview

$$P(e) = \sum_{X \setminus E} P_B(X, E = e)$$

$$M = \sum_{z \in Z} f(z) = P(e) \text{ where } Z = X \setminus E$$

- Given a proposal or importance distribution  $Q(z)$  such that  $f(z) > 0$  implies  $Q(z) > 0$ , rewrite

$$M = \sum_{z \in Z} f(z) = \sum_{z \in Z} f(z) \frac{Q(z)}{Q(z)} = E_Q \left[ \frac{f(z)}{Q(z)} \right]$$

- Given i.i.d. samples  $z_1, \dots, z_N$  from  $Q(z)$ ,

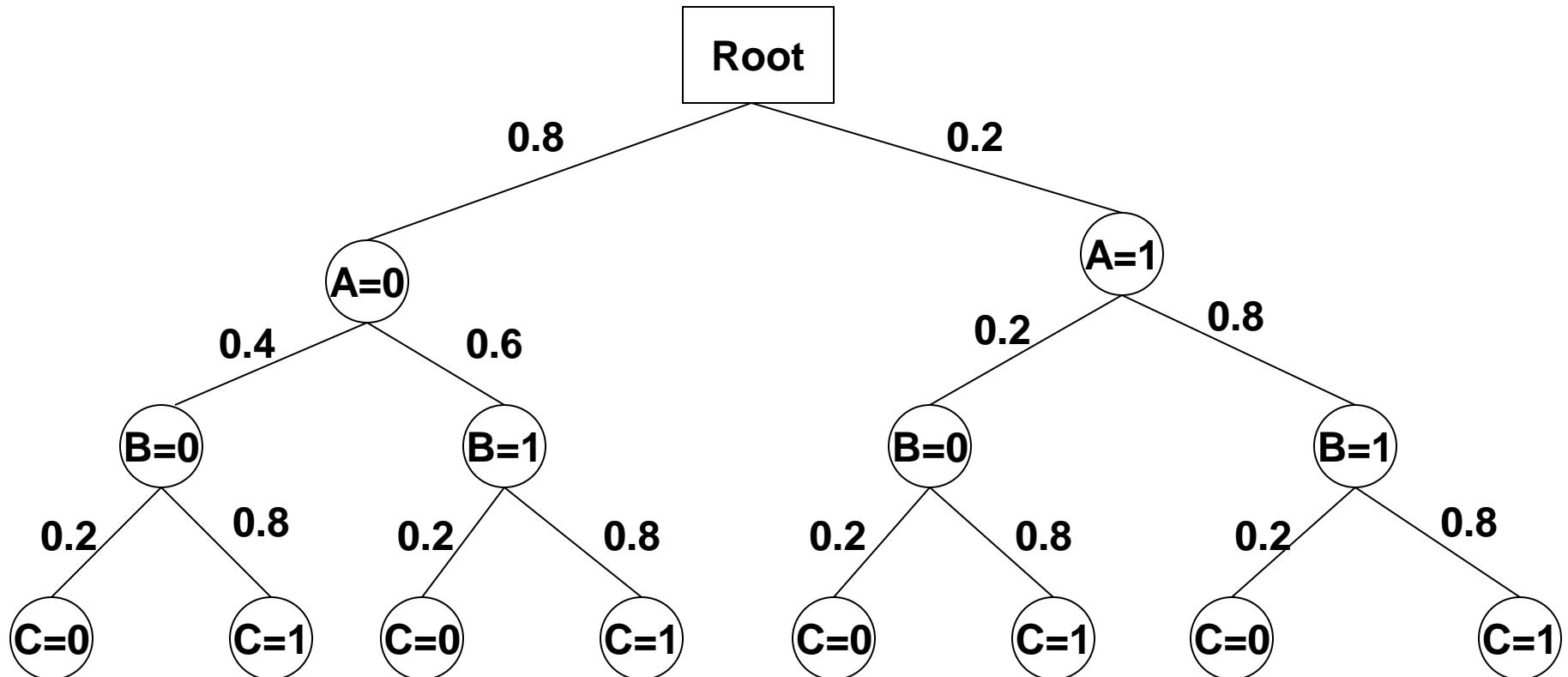
$$\hat{M} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{f(z_j)}{Q(z_j)} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N w(z_j) \quad E_Q[\hat{M}] = M = P(e)$$

# Generating i.i.d. samples from Q

$$Q(X) = Q(X_1) \times Q(X_2 | X_1) \times \dots \times Q(X_n | X_1, \dots, X_{n-1})$$

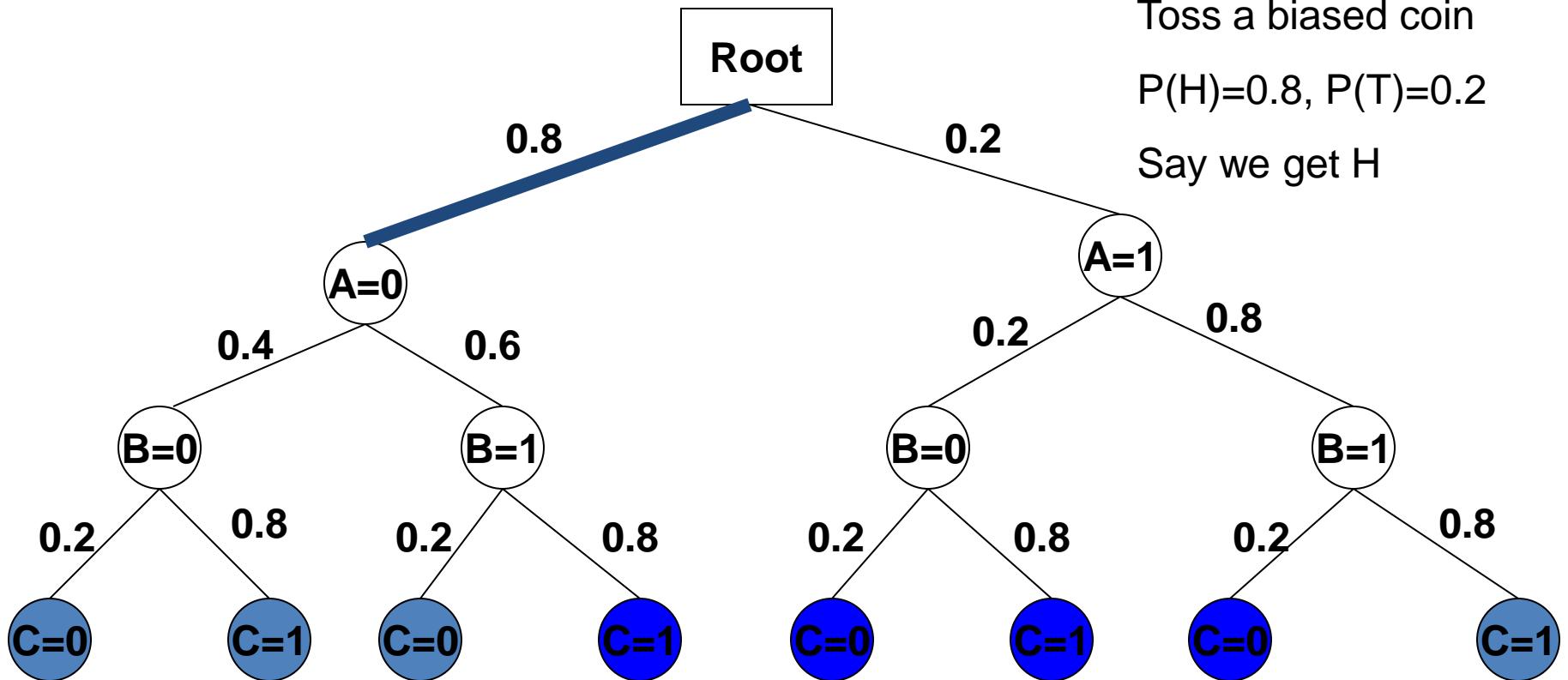
$$Q(A, B, C) = Q(A) \times Q(B | A) \times Q(C | A, B)$$

$$Q(A) = (0.8, 0.2), Q(B | A) = (0.4, 0.6, 0.2, 0.8), Q(C | A, B) = Q(C) = (0.2, 0.8)$$



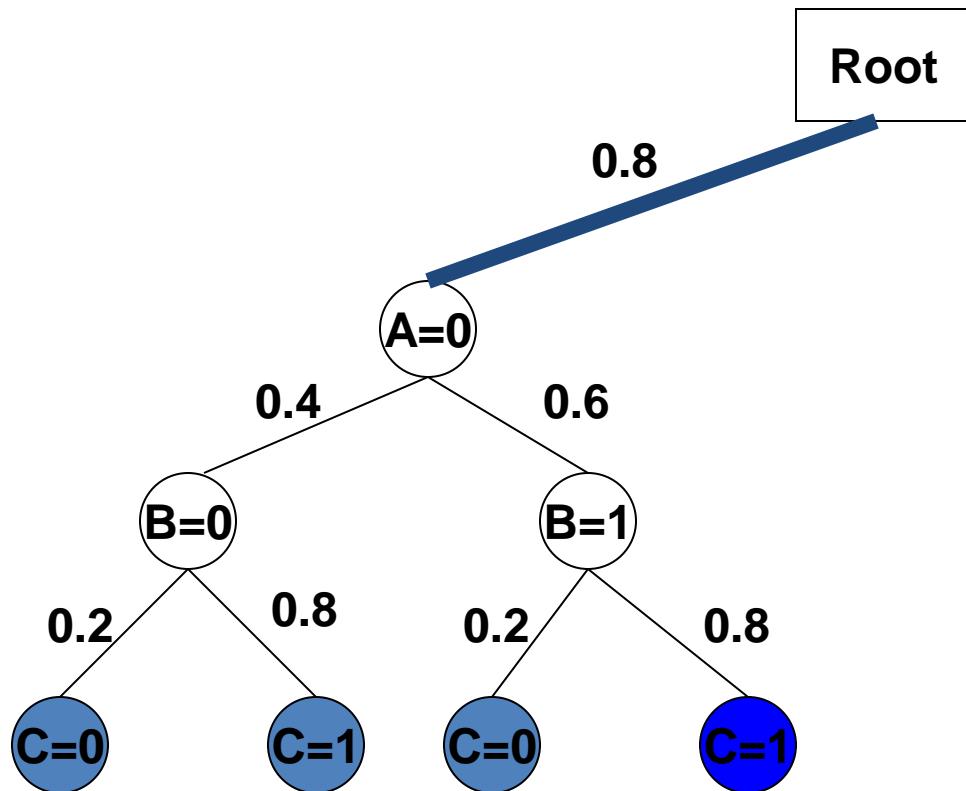
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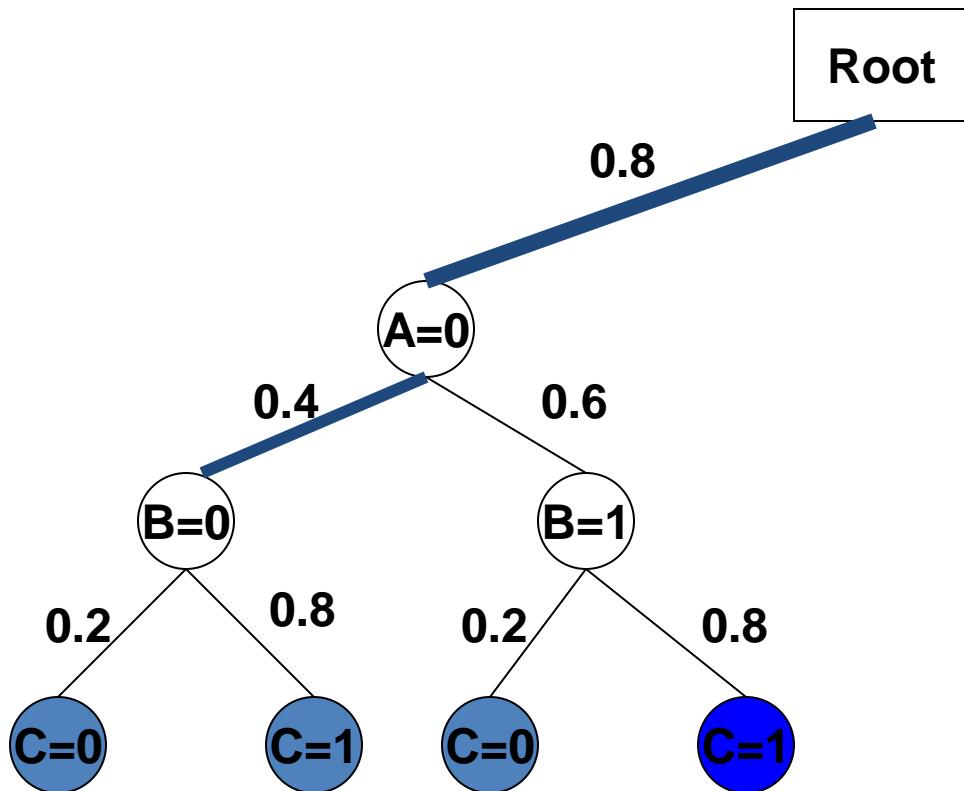
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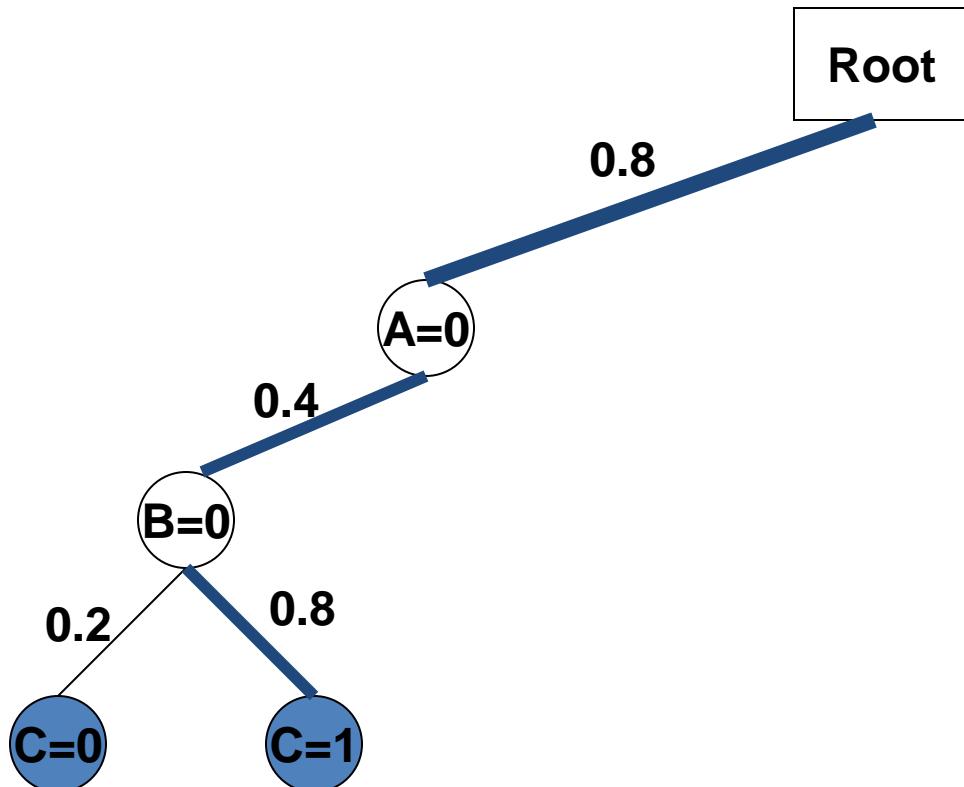
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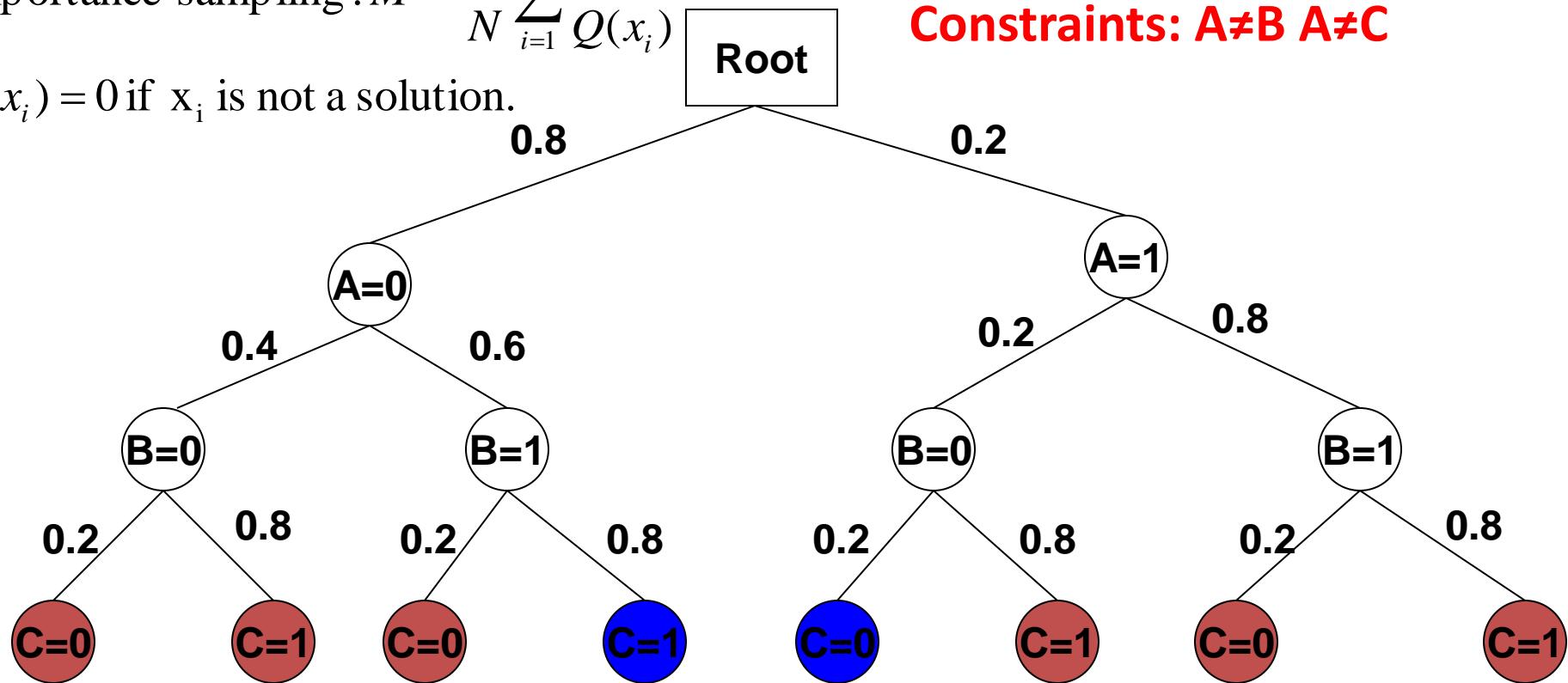
- A large number of assignments generated will be rejected, thrown away

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**Constraints: A≠B A≠C**



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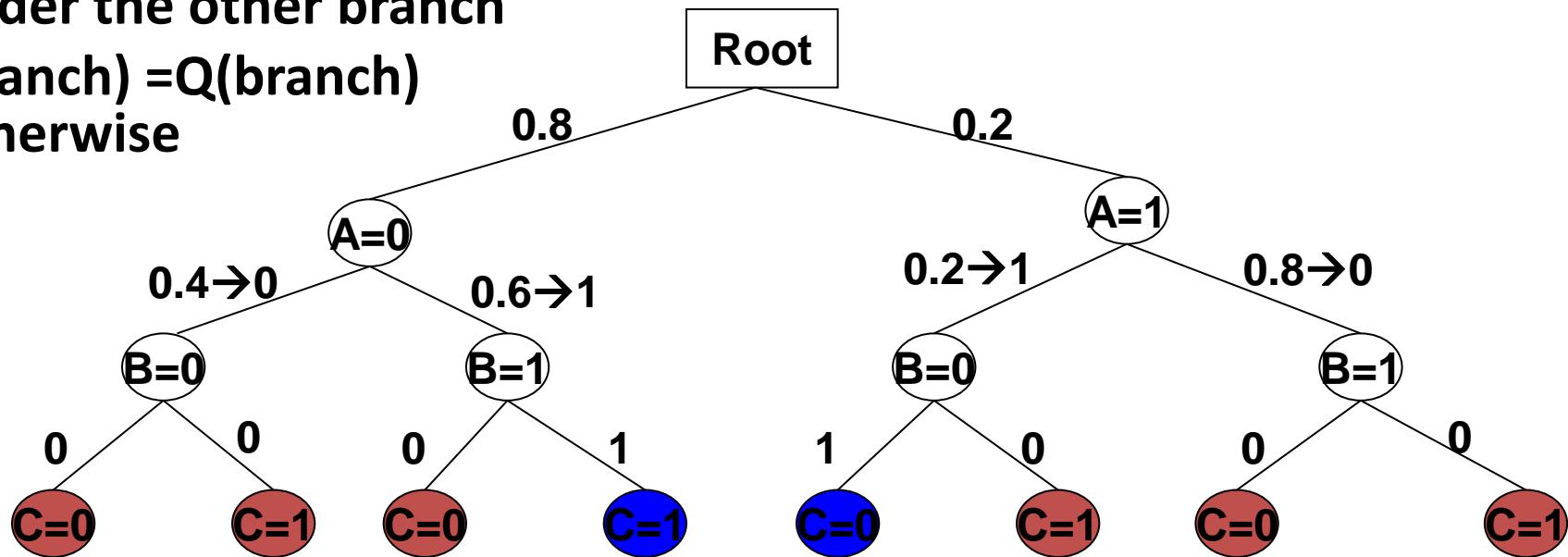
# Revising Q to backtrack-free distribution:

$Q^F(\text{branch})=0$  if no solutions under it

$Q^F(\text{branch})=1$  if no solutions under the other branch

$Q^F(\text{branch}) = Q(\text{branch})$  otherwise

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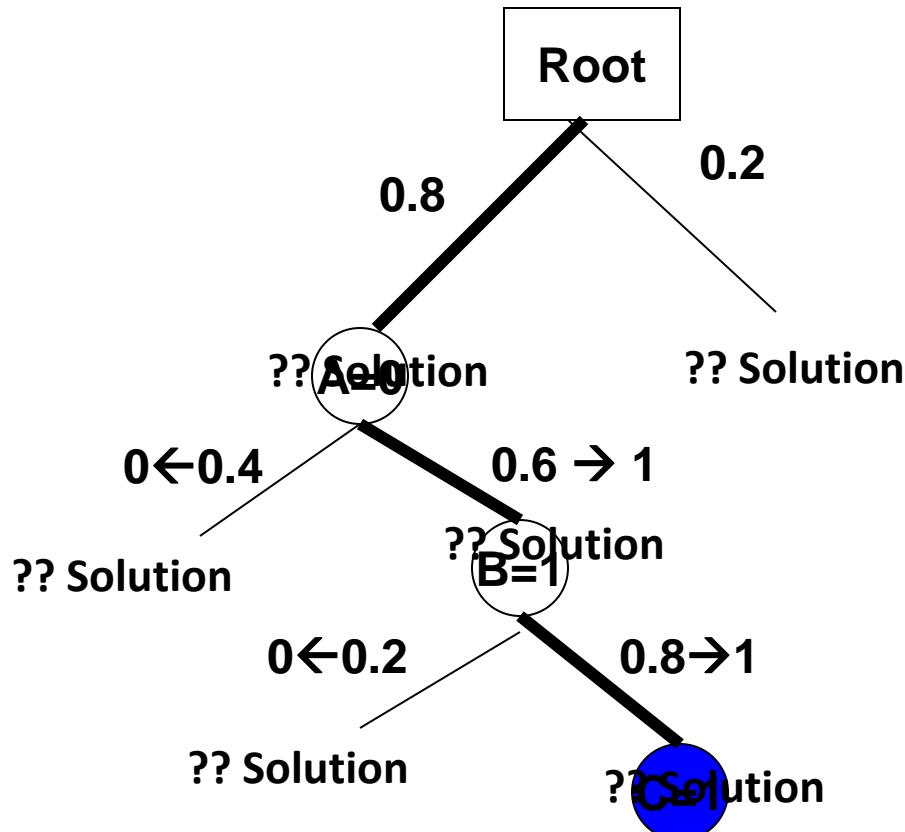


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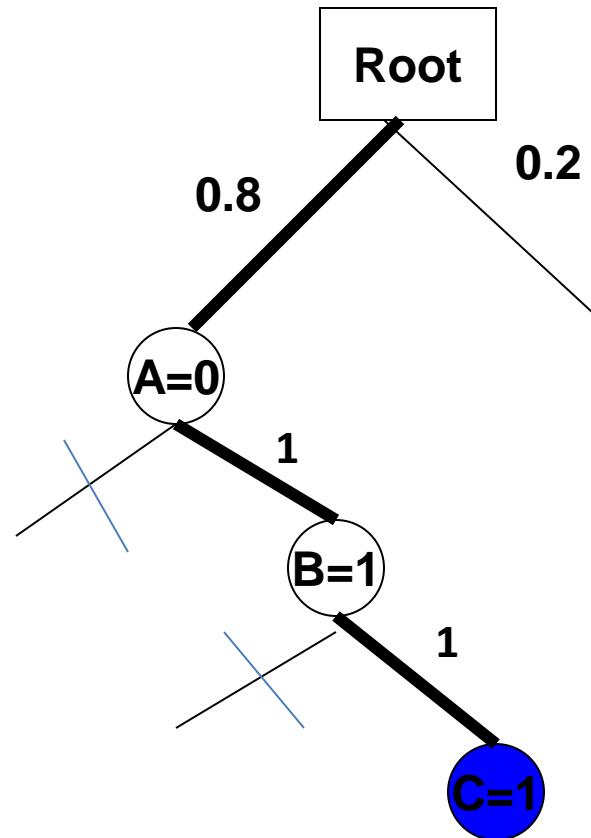
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- Invoke an oracle at each branch.
  - Oracle returns True if there is a solution under a branch
  - False, otherwise

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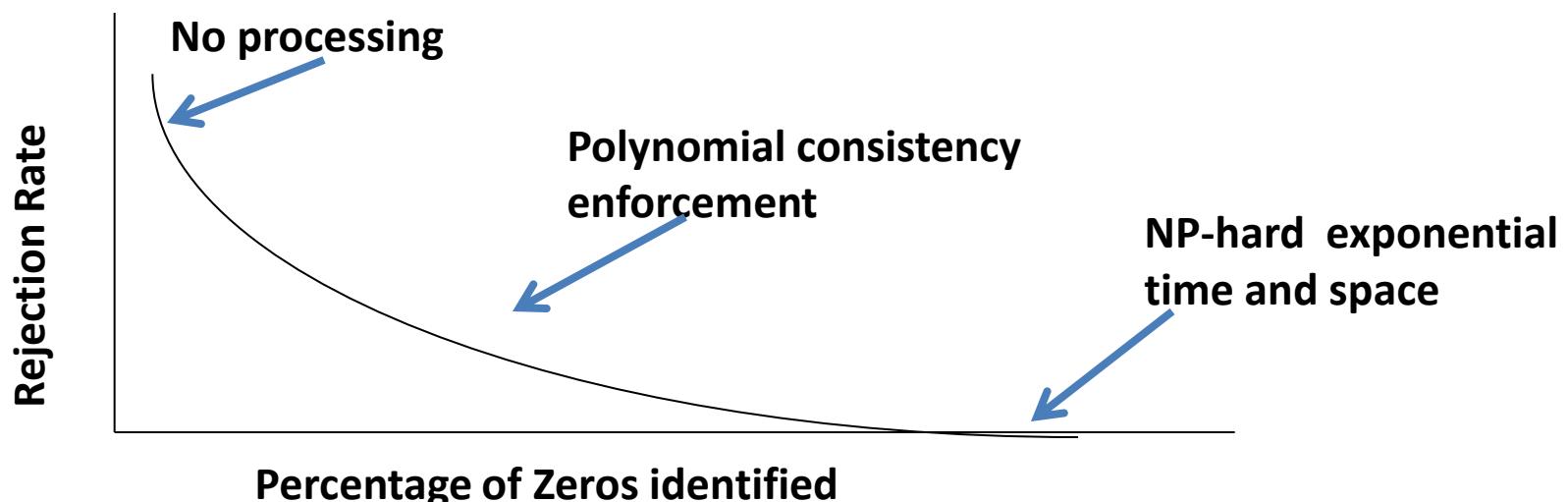
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- Oracles:
  - In practice
    - Adaptive consistency as pre-processing step
    - A complete CSP solver
  - Too costly
    - $O(\exp(\text{treewidth}))$
    - Invoked  $O(nd)$  for each sample

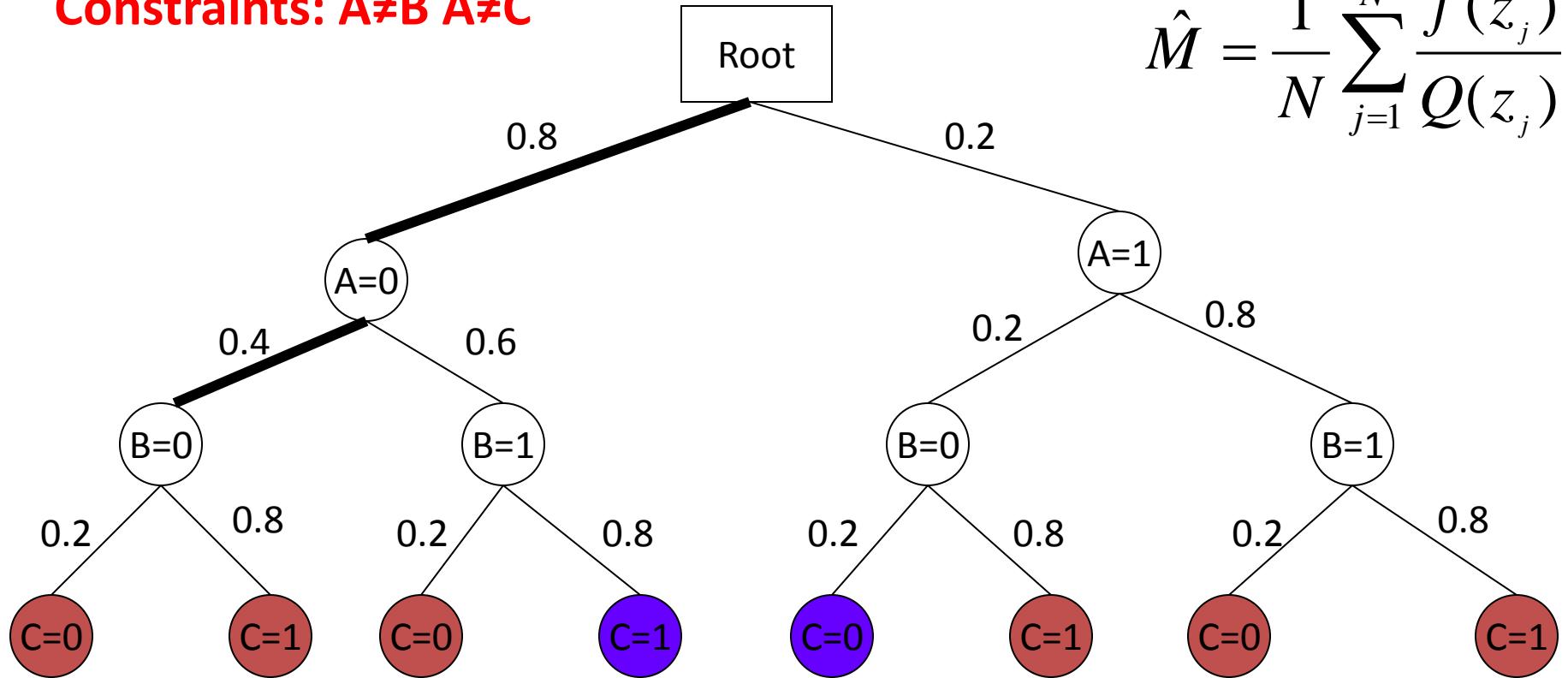
# Approximations of $Q^F$

- Use i-consistency instead of adaptive consistency
  - $O(n^i)$  time and space complexity
  - identify some zeros so that they are never sampled
- Cons: Too weak when constraint portion is hard.



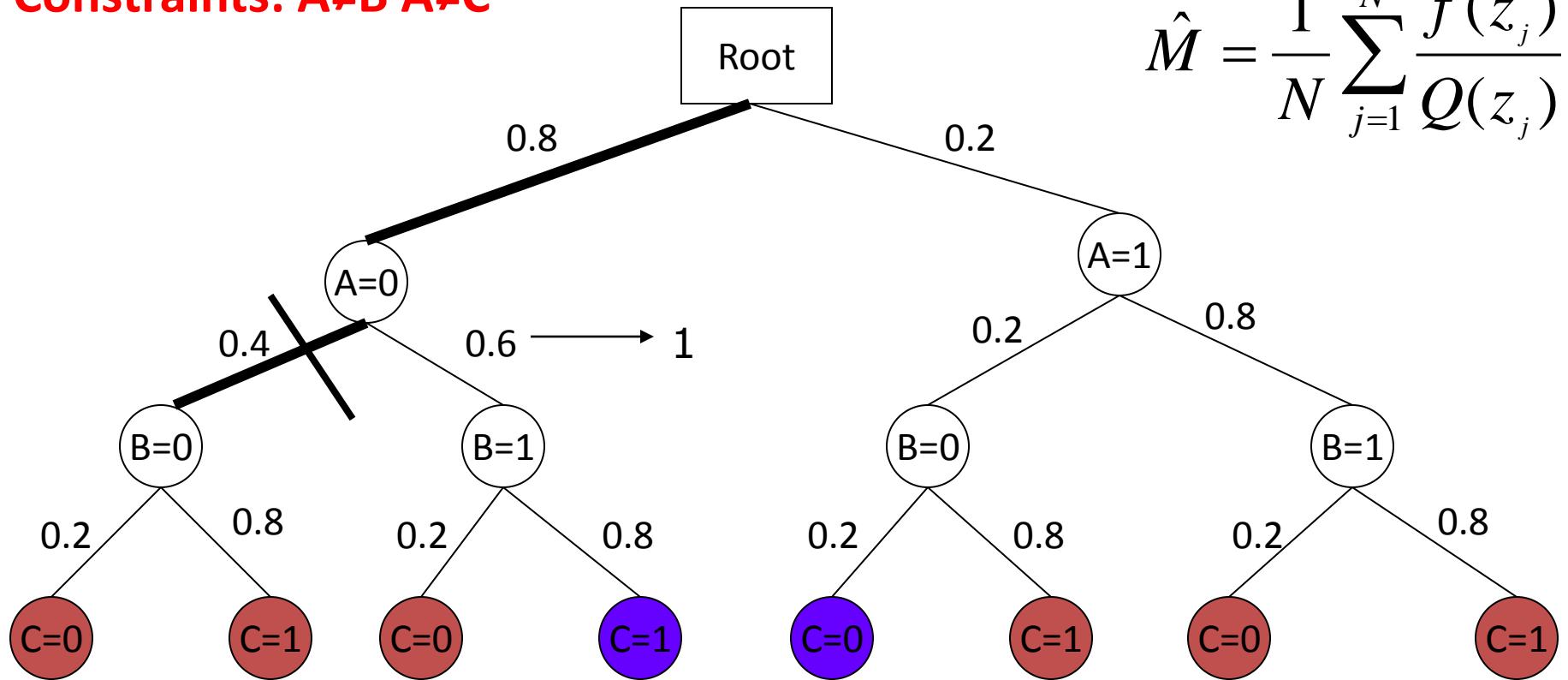
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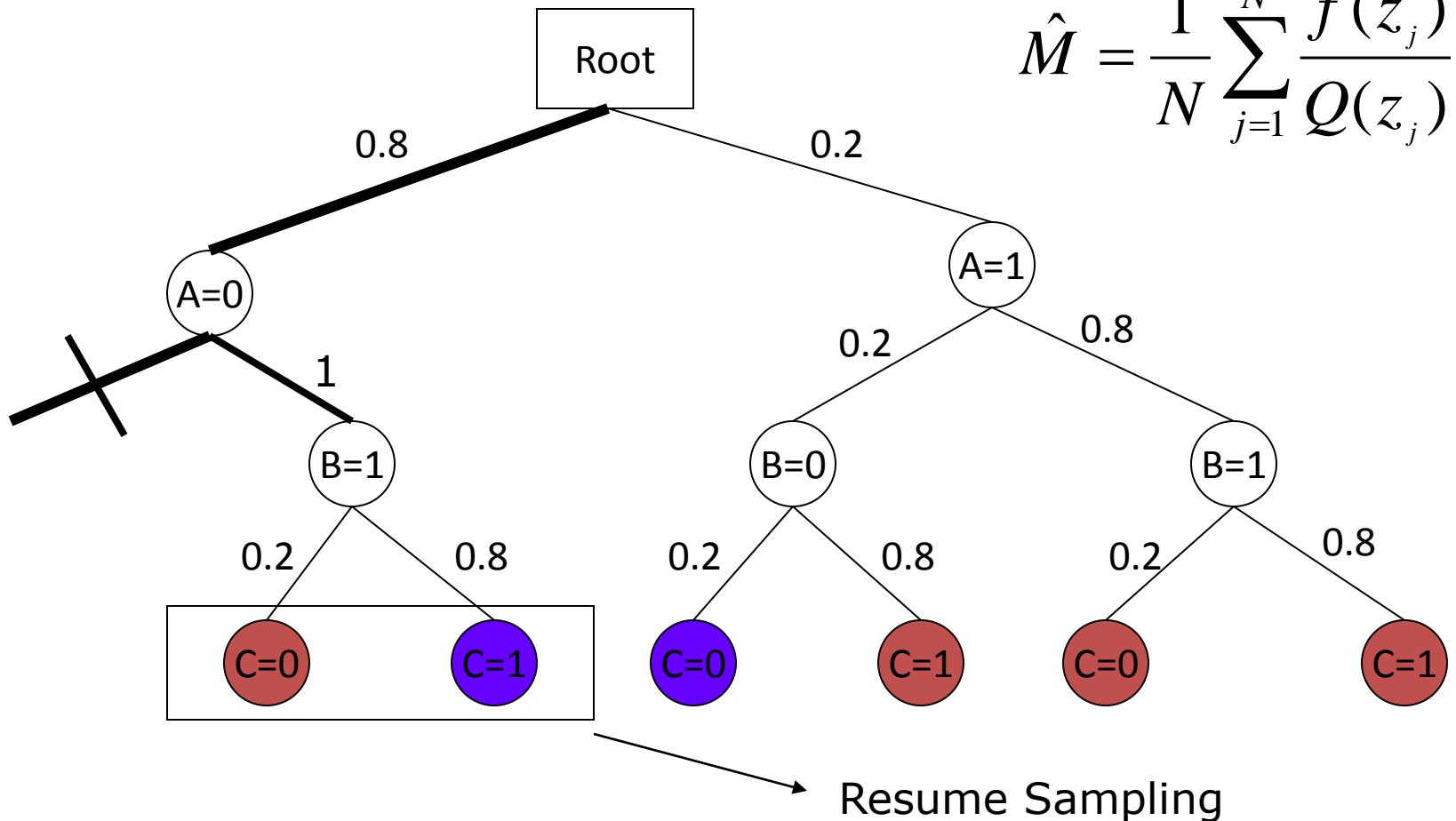
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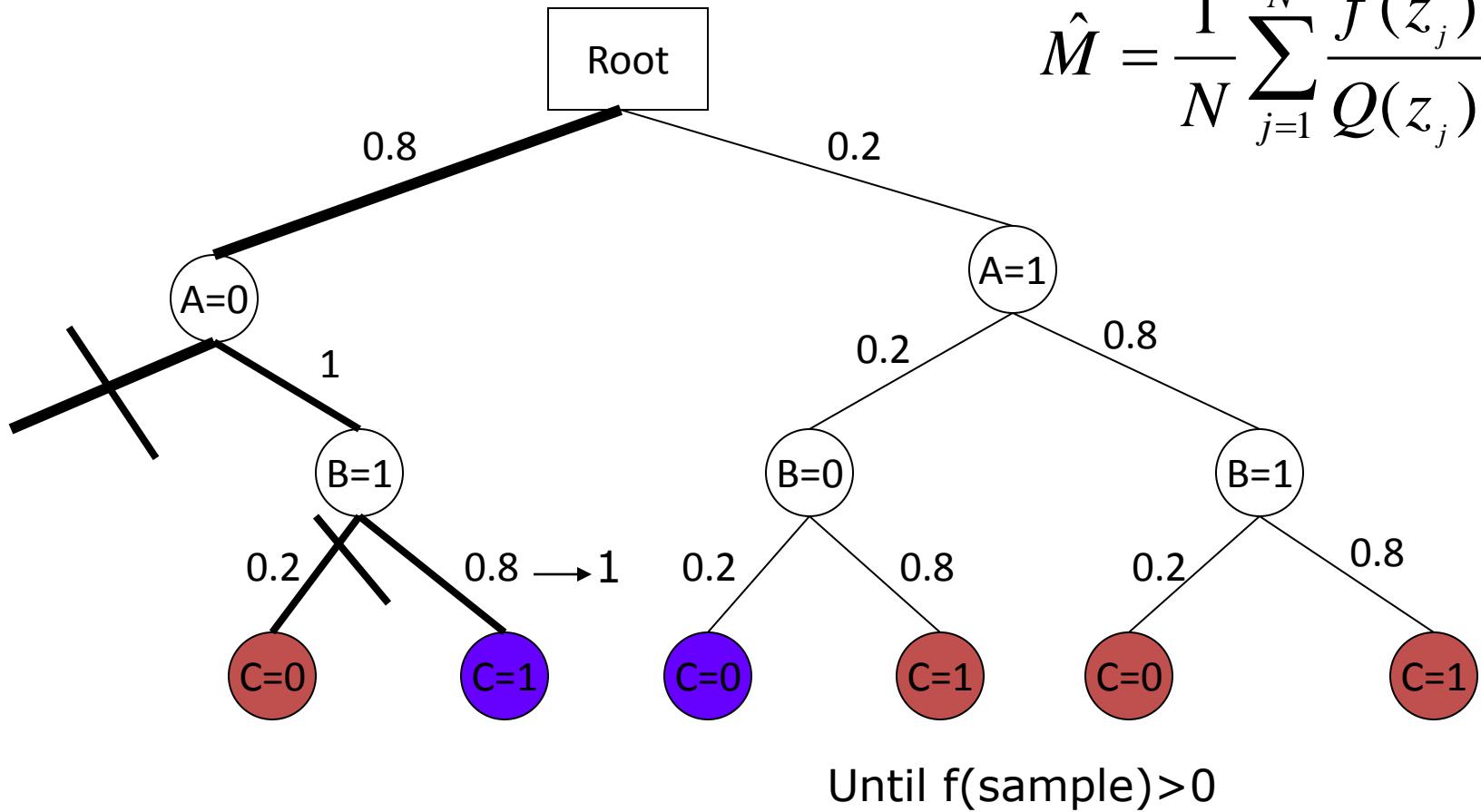
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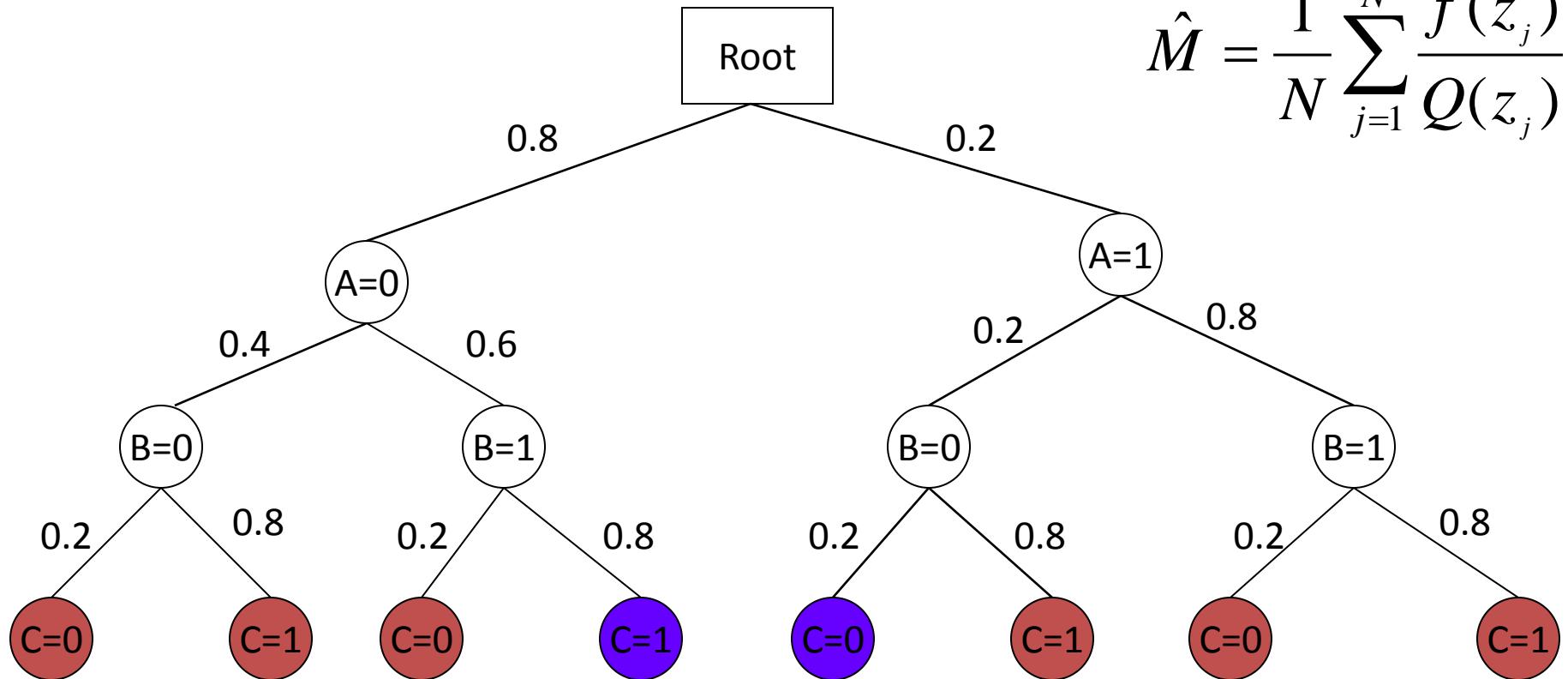
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Constraint Violated

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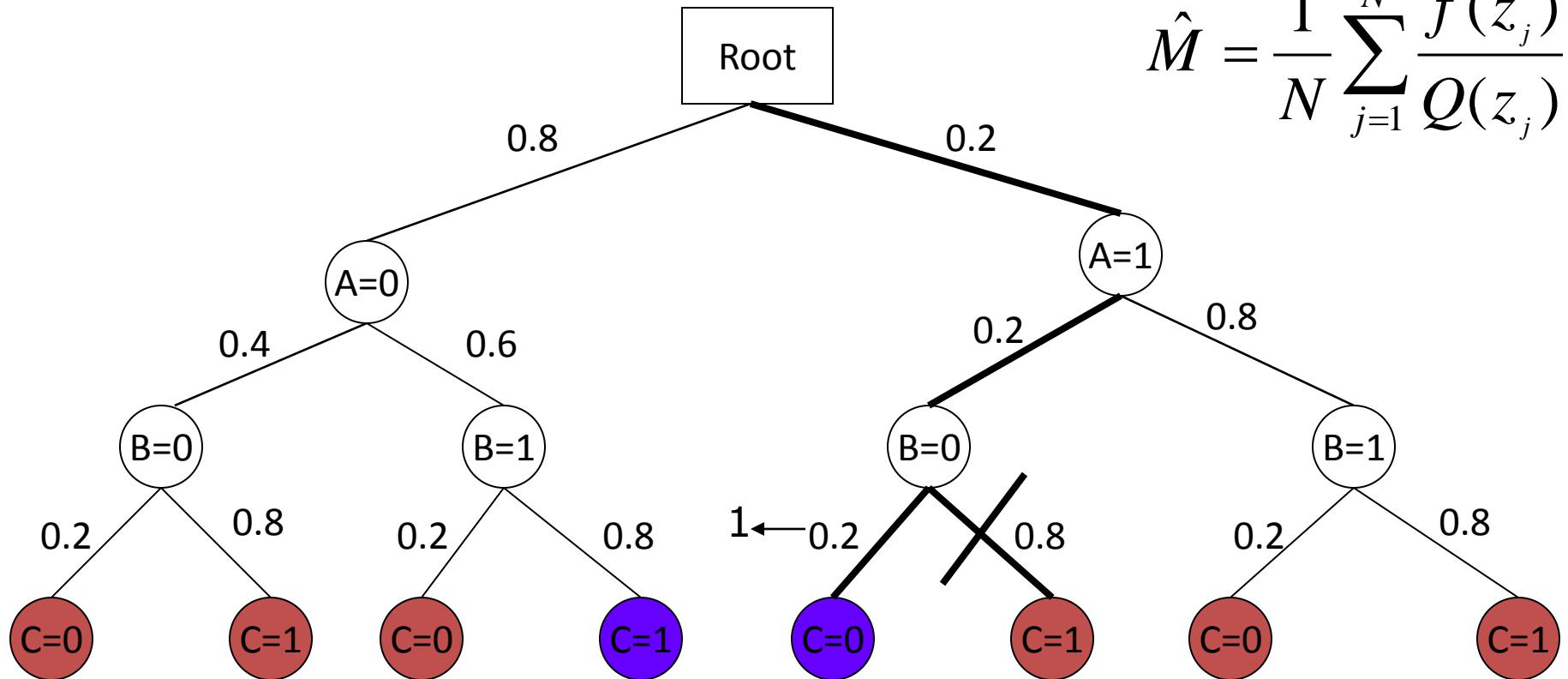
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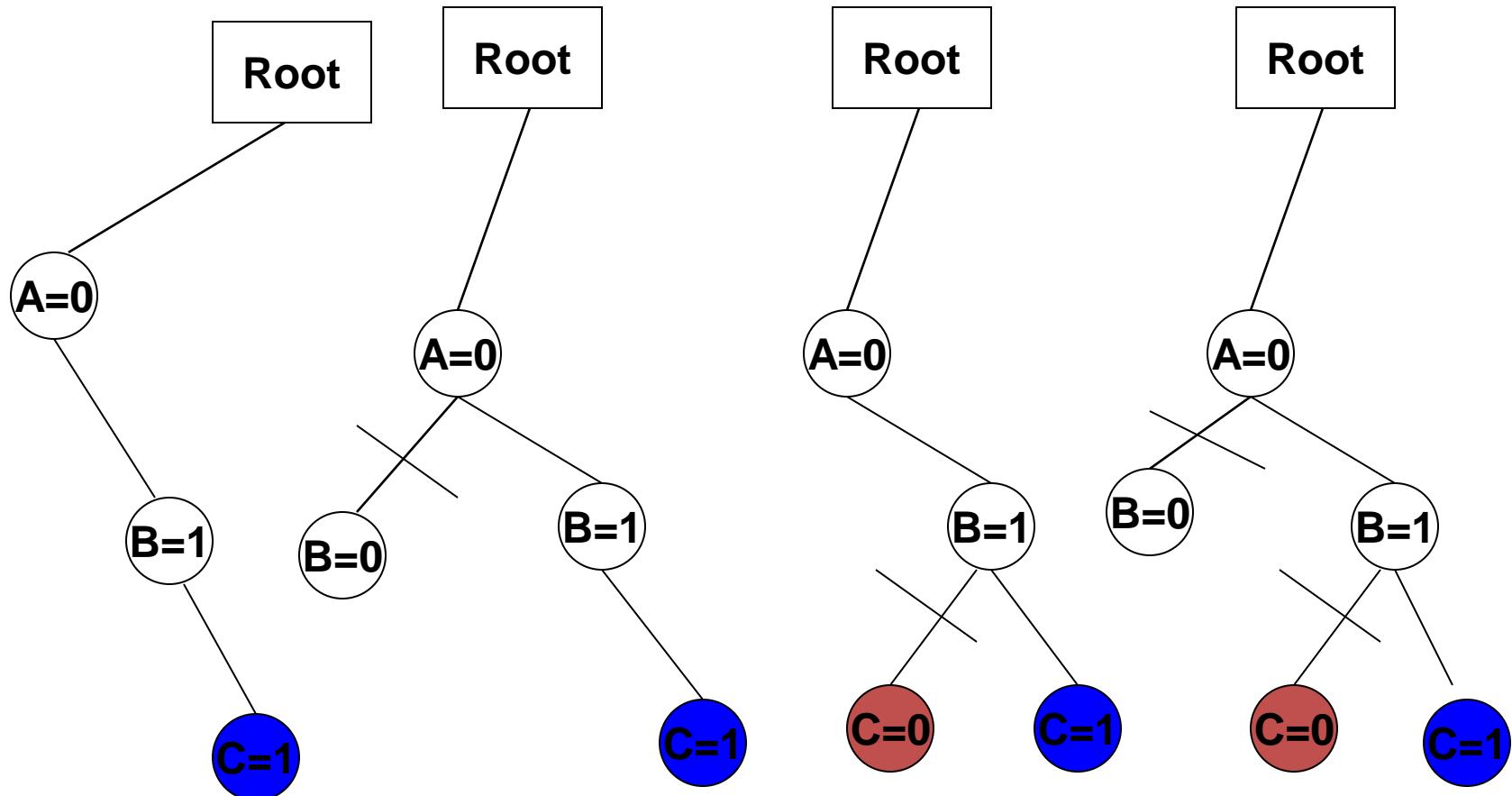
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# Traces of SampleSearch

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# SampleSearch: Sampling Distribution

- Problem: Due to Search, the samples are no longer i.i.d. from  $Q$

$$\hat{M} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{f(z_j)}{Q(z_j)}, \quad E_Q[\hat{M}] \neq M$$

- **Theorem:** SampleSearch generates i.i.d. samples from the **backtrack-free distribution**

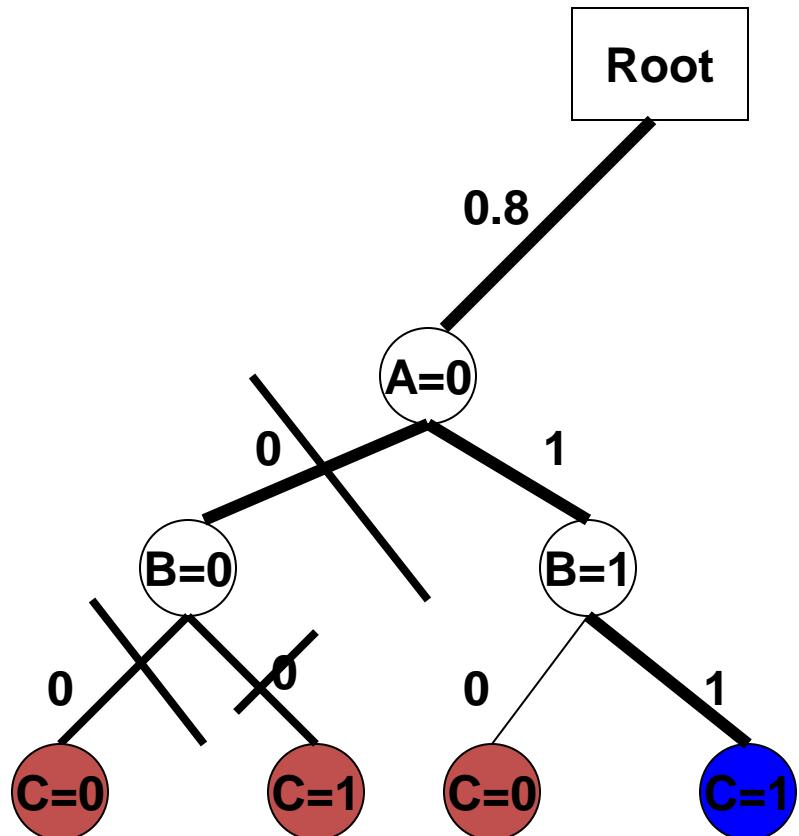
$Q^F$  : Backtrack - free distribution

$$\bar{M} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{f(z_j)}{Q^F(z_j)} \quad E_{Q^F}[\bar{M}] = M$$

# The Sampling distribution $Q^F$ of SampleSearch

$$\tilde{M} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{f(x_i)}{Q(x_i)}$$

Constraints:  $A \neq B$   $A \neq C$



What is probability of generating  $A=0$ ?

$$Q^F(A=0)=0.8$$

Why? SampleSearch is systematic

What is probability of generating  $(A=0, B=1)$ ?

$$Q^F(B=1|A=0)=1$$

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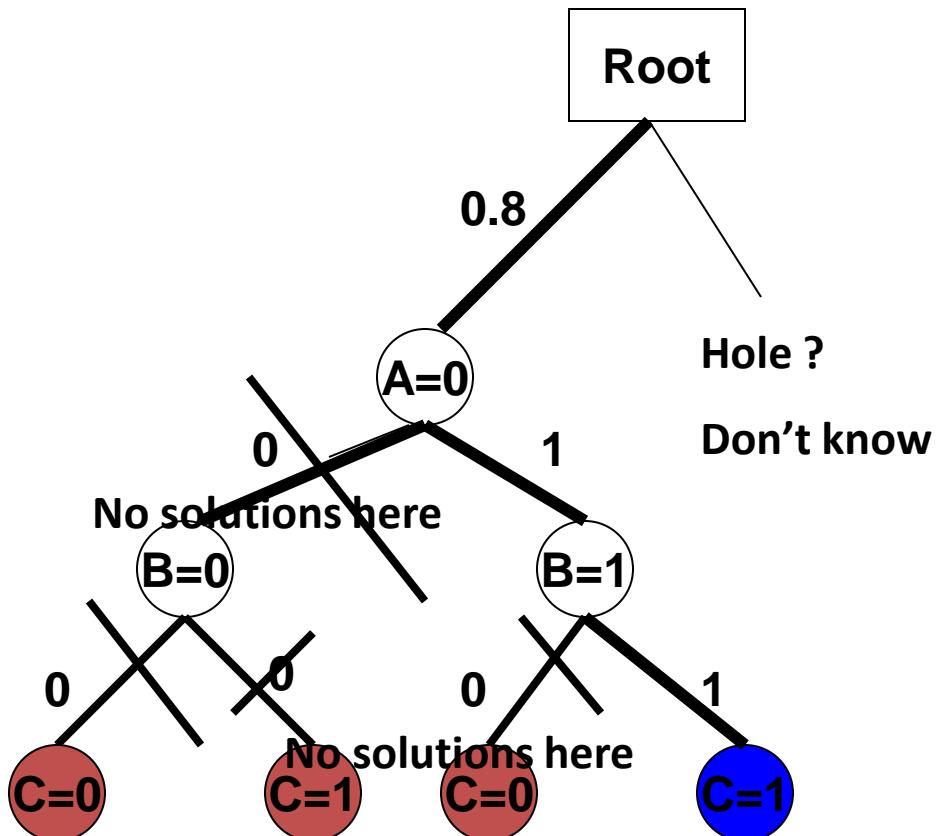
What is probability of generating  $(A=0, B=0)$ ?

$$\text{Simple: } Q^F(B=0|A=0)=0$$

All samples generated by SampleSearch are solutions

Backtrack-free distribution

# Asymptotic approximations of $Q^F$



- IF Hole THEN

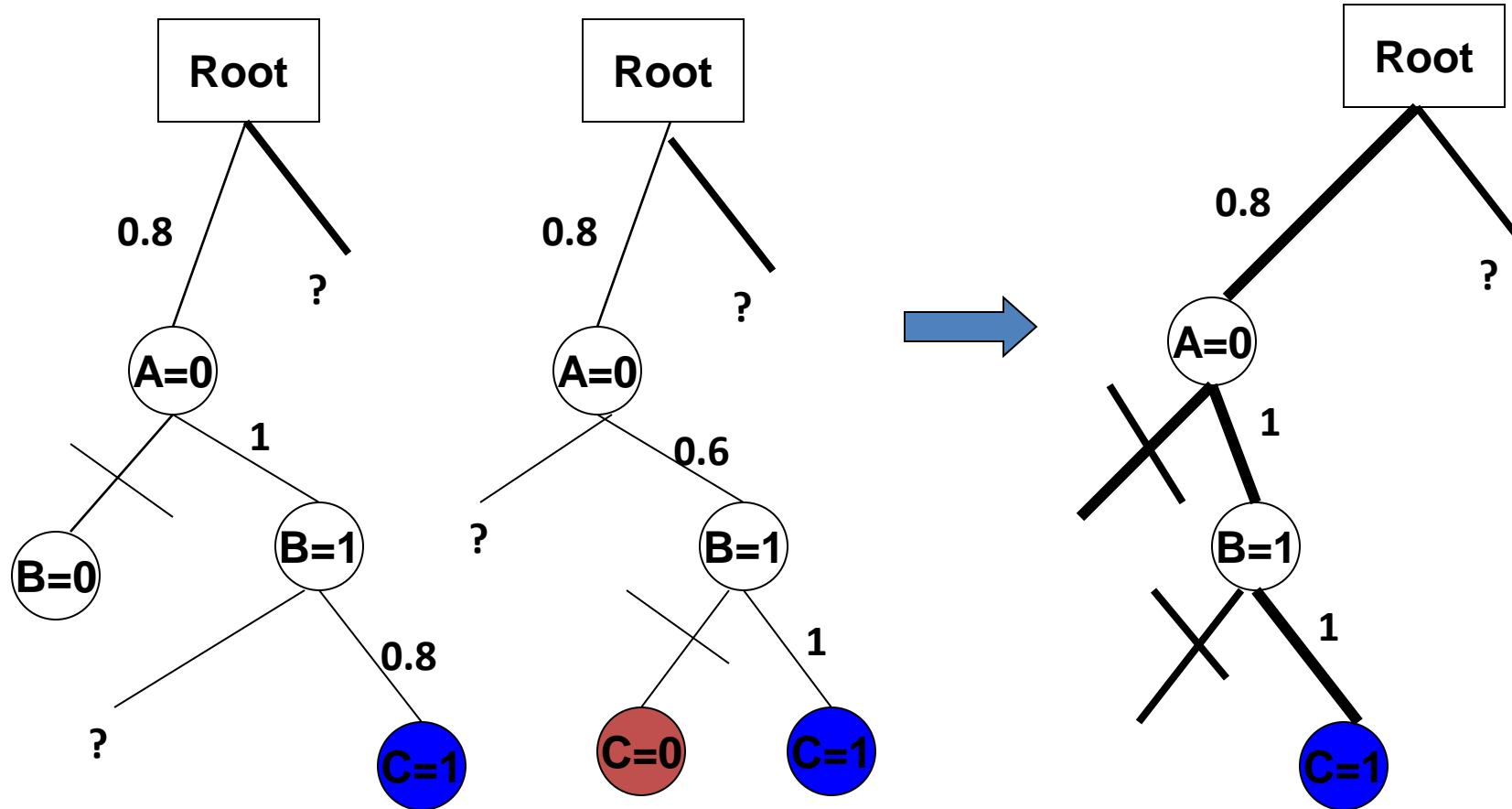
- $U^F = Q$  (i.e. there is a solution at the other branch)
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# Approximations: Convergence in the limit

- Store all possible traces



# Approximations:

## Convergence in the limit

- From the combined sample tree, update U and L.

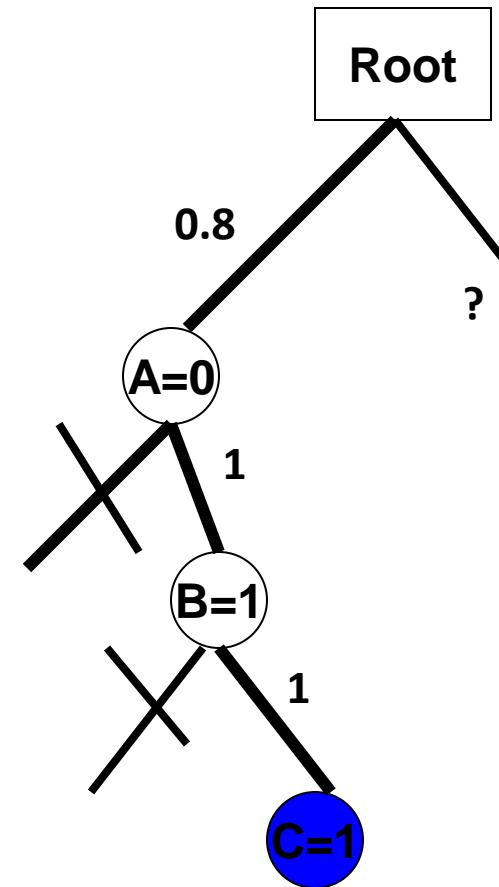
IF Hole THEN  $U_N^F = Q$  and  $L_N^F = 0$

$$M = \sum_{x \in X} f(x) = E\left[\frac{f(x)}{Q^F(x)}\right]$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E\left[\frac{f(x)}{U_N^F(x)}\right] = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E\left[\frac{f(x)}{L_N^F(x)}\right] = M$$

*Asymptotically unbiased*

Bounding  $U_N^F(x) \leq Q^F(x) \leq L_N^F(x)$



# Improving Naive SampleSearch: The IJGP-wc-SS algorithm

- **Better Search Strategy**
  - Can use any state-of-the-art CSP/SAT solver e.g. minisat (Een and Sorrenson 2006)
- **Better Proposal distribution**
  - Use output of IJGP- a generalized belief propagation to compute the initial importance function
- **w-cutset importance sampling** (Bidyuk and Dechter, 2007)
  - Reduce variance by sampling from a subspace

# Experiments

- **Tasks**
  - Weighted Counting
  - Marginals
- **Benchmarks**
  - Satisfiability problems (counting solutions)
  - Linkage networks
  - Relational instances (First order probabilistic networks)
  - Grid networks
  - Logistics planning instances
- **Algorithms**
  - **IJGP-wc-SS/LB and IJGP-wc-SS/UB**
  - **IJGP-wc-IS (Vanilla algorithm that does not perform search)**
  - **SampleCount (Gomes et al. 2007, SAT)**
  - **ApproxCount (Wei and Selman, 2007, SAT)**
  - **EPIS (Changhe and Druzdzel, 2006)**
  - **RELSAT (Bayardo and Peshoueshk, 2000, SAT)**
  - Edge Deletion Belief Propagation (Choi and Darwiche, 2006)
  - Iterative Join Graph Propagation (Dechter et al., 2002)
  - Variable Elimination and Conditioning (VEC)

# Results: Probability of Evidence

## Linkage instances (UAI 2006 evaluation)

Problem	$\langle n, k, c, e, w \rangle$		Exact	IJGP-wc -SS/LB	IJGP-wc -SS/UB	VEC	EDBP	IJGP-wc -IS
BN_69	$\langle 777, 7, 228, 78, 47 \rangle$	Z	5.28E-054	<b>3.00E-55</b>	<b>3.00E-55</b>	1.93E-61	2.39E-57	X
		M		6.84E+5	6.84E+5			0
BN_70	$\langle 2315, 5, 484, 159, 87 \rangle$	Z	2.00E-71	<b>1.21E-73</b>	<b>1.21E-73</b>	7.99E-82	6.00E-79	X
		M		1.92E+5	1.92E+5			0
BN_71	$\langle 1740, 6, 663, 202, 70 \rangle$	Z	5.12E-111	<b>1.28E-111</b>	<b>1.28E-111</b>	7.05E-115	1.01E-114	X
		M		7.46E+4	7.46E+4			0
BN_72	$\langle 2155, 6, 752, 252, 86 \rangle$	Z	4.21E-150	<b>4.73E-150</b>	<b>4.73E-150</b>	1.32E-153	9.21E-155	X
		M		1.53E+5	1.53E+5			0
BN_73	$\langle 2140, 5, 651, 216, 101 \rangle$	Z	2.26E-113	<b>2.00E-115</b>	<b>2.00E-115</b>	6.00E-127	2.24E-118	X
		M		7.75E+4	7.75E+4			0
BN_74	$\langle 749, 6, 223, 66, 45 \rangle$	Z	3.75E-45	<b>2.13E-46</b>	<b>2.13E-46</b>	3.30E-48	5.84E-48	X
		M		2.80E+5	2.80E+5			0
BN_75	$\langle 1820, 5, 477, 155, 92 \rangle$	Z	5.88E-91	<b>2.19E-91</b>	<b>2.19E-91</b>	5.83E-97	3.10E-96	X
		M		7.72E+4	7.72E+4			0
BN_76	$\langle 2155, 7, 605, 169, 64 \rangle$	Z	4.93E-110	<b>1.95E-111</b>	<b>1.95E-111</b>	1.00E-126	3.86E-114	X
		M		2.52E+4	2.52E+4			0

Time Bound: 3 hrs

M: number of samples generated in 10 hrs

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## Relational instances (UAI 2008 evaluation)

Problem	$\langle n, k, c, e, w \rangle$		Exact	IJGP-wc -SS/LB	IJGP-wc -SS/UB	VEC	EDBP	IJGP-wc -IS
Friends and Smokers								
fs-04	$\langle 262, 2, 74, 226, 12 \rangle$	Z M	1.52E-05 1.00E+6	8.11E-06 1.00E+6	8.11E-06 1.00E+6	<b>1.53E-05*(1s)</b>	X	1.52E-05 2.17E+8
fs-07	$\langle 1225, 2, 371, 1120, 35 \rangle$	Z M	9.80E-17 1.00E+6	2.23E-16 1.00E+6	2.23E-16 1.00E+6	<b>1.78E-15*(708s)</b>	X	X 0
fs-10	$\langle 3385, 2, 1055, 3175, 71 \rangle$	Z M	7.88E-31 8.51E+5	<b>2.49E-32</b> 8.51E+5	<b>2.49E-32</b> 8.51E+5	X	X	X 0
fs-13	$\langle 7228, 2, 2288, 6877, 119 \rangle$	Z M	1.33E-51 5.41E+5	3.26E-55 5.41E+5	3.26E-55 5.41E+5	X	X	1.33E-51 4.67E+7
fs-16	$\langle 13240, 2, 4232, 12712, 171 \rangle$	Z M	8.63E-78 1.79E+5	6.04E-79 1.79E+5	6.04E-79 1.79E+5	X	X	8.63E-78 1.37E+7
fs-19	$\langle 21907, 2, 7049, 21166, 243 \rangle$	Z M	2.12E-109 1.90E+5	<b>1.62E-114</b> 1.90E+5	<b>1.62E-114</b> 1.90E+5	X	X	X 0
fs-22	$\langle 33715, 2, 10901, 32725, 335 \rangle$	Z M	2.00E-146 1.18E+5	<b>4.88E-147</b> 1.18E+5	<b>4.88E-147</b> 1.18E+5	X	X	X 0
fs-25	$\langle 49150, 2, 15950, 47875, 431 \rangle$	Z M	7.18E-189 9.23E+4	<b>2.67E-189</b> 9.23E+4	<b>2.67E-189</b> 9.23E+4	X	X	X 0
fs-28	$\langle 68698, 2, 22358, 67102, 527 \rangle$	Z M	9.82E-237 9.35E+4	<b>4.53E-237</b> 9.35E+4	4.53E-237 9.35E+4	X	X	X 0
fs-29	$\langle 76212, 2, 24824, 74501, 559 \rangle$	Z M	6.81E-254 2.62E+4	<b>9.44E-255</b> 2.62E+4	9.44E-255 2.62E+4	X	X	X 0

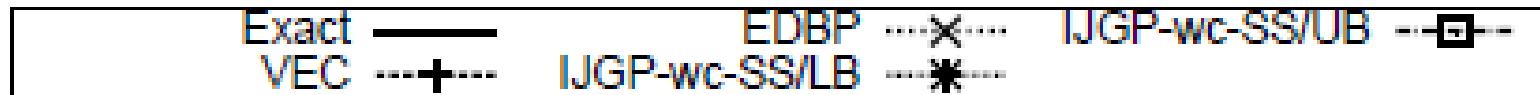
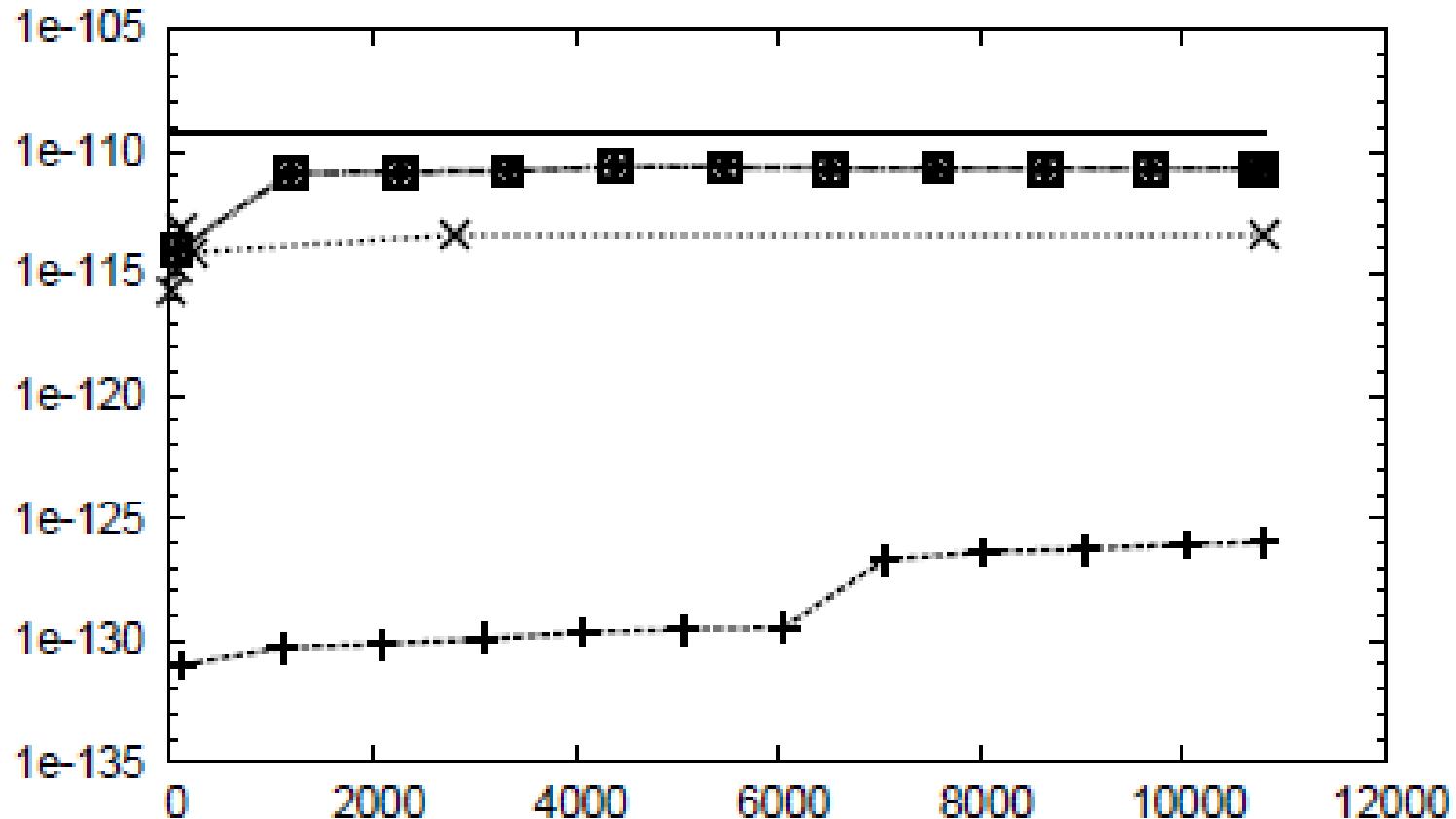
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### Approximation Error vs Time for BN\_76, num-vars= 2155

Probability of Evidence



# Results: Solution Counts

## Latin Square instances (size 8 to 16)

Problem	$\langle n, k, c, w \rangle$		Exact	Sample Count	Approx Count	REL SAT	IJGP-wc-SS/LB	IJGP-wc-SS/UB	IJGP-wc-IS
ls8-norm	$\langle 512, 2, 5584, 255 \rangle$	Z	5.40E11	5.15E+11	3.52E+11	2.44E+08	5.91E+11	5.91E+11	X
		M		16514	17740		236510	236510	0
ls9-norm	$\langle 729, 2, 9009, 363 \rangle$	Z	3.80E17	4.49E+17	1.26E+17	1.78E+08	3.44E+17	3.44E+17	X
		M		7762	8475		138572	138572	0
ls10-norm	$\langle 1000, 2, 13820, 676 \rangle$	Z	7.60E24	7.28E+24	1.17E+24	1.36E+08	6.74E+24	6.74E+24	X
		M		3854	4313		95567	95567	0
ls11-norm	$\langle 1331, 2, 20350, 956 \rangle$	Z	5.40E33	2.08E+34	4.91E+31	1.09E+08	3.87E+33	3.87E+33	X
		M		2002	2289		66795	66795	0

Time Bound: 10 hrs

M: number of samples generated in 10 hrs

Z: Solution Counts

# Results: Solution Counts

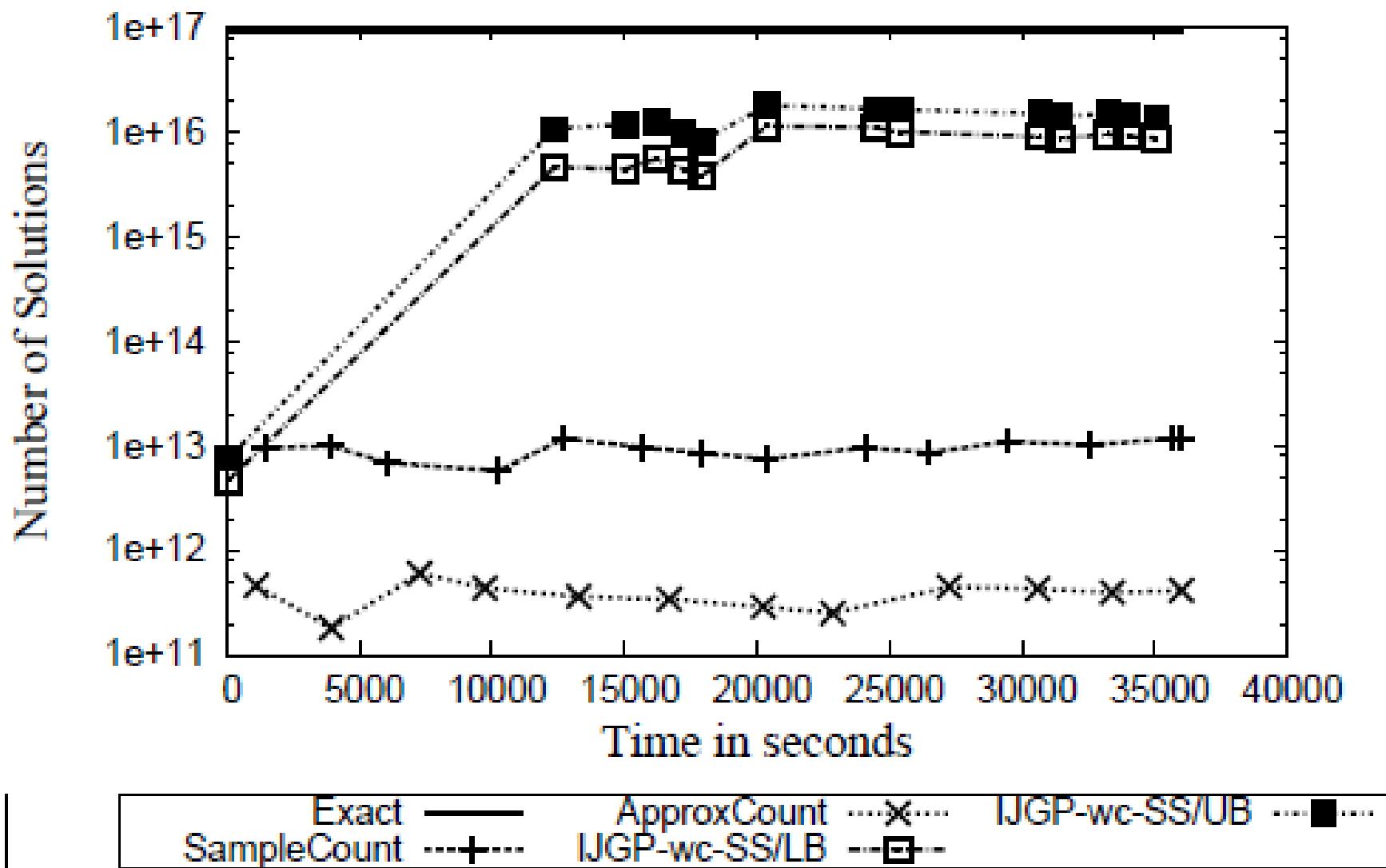
## Langford instances

Problem	$\langle n, k, c, w \rangle$		Ex- act	Sample Count	Approx Count	REL SAT	IJGP-wc- SS/LB	IJGP-wc- SS/UB	IJGP- wc-IS
lang12	$\langle 576, 2, 13584, 383 \rangle$	Z M	2.16E+5 2720	1.93E+05 4668	2.95E+04	2.16E+05*(297s)	2.16E+05 999991	2.16E+05 999991	X 0
lang16	$\langle 1024, 2, 32320, 639 \rangle$	Z M	6.53E+08 328	5.97E+08 641	8.22E+06	6.28E+06	6.51E+08 14971	6.99E+08 14971	X 0
lang19	$\langle 1444, 2, 54226, 927 \rangle$	Z M	5.13E+11 146	9.73E+10 232	6.87E+08	8.52E+05	6.38E+11 3431	7.31E+11 3431	X 0
lang20	$\langle 1600, 2, 63280, 1023 \rangle$	Z M	5.27E+12 120	1.13E+11 180	3.99E+09	8.55E+04	2.83E+12 2961	3.45E+12 2961	X 0
lang23	$\langle 2116, 2, 96370, 1407 \rangle$	Z M	7.60E+15 38	7.53E+14 54	3.70E+12	X	4.17E+15 1111	4.19E+15 1111	X 0
lang24	$\langle 2304, 2, 109536, 1535 \rangle$	Z M	9.37E+16 25	1.17E+13 33	4.15E+11	X	8.74E+15 271	1.40E+16 271	X 0

Time Bound: 10 hrs

M: number of samples generated in 10 hrs

Z: Solution Counts



# Results on Marginals

- Evaluation Criteria

*Exact :  $P(x_i)$    Approximate :  $A(x_i)$*

$$\text{Hellinger distance} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x_i \in D_i} (\sqrt{P(x_i)} - \sqrt{A(x_i)})^2}{n}$$

- Always bounded between 0 and 1
- Lower Bounds the KL distance
- When probabilities close to zero are present KL distance may tend to infinity.

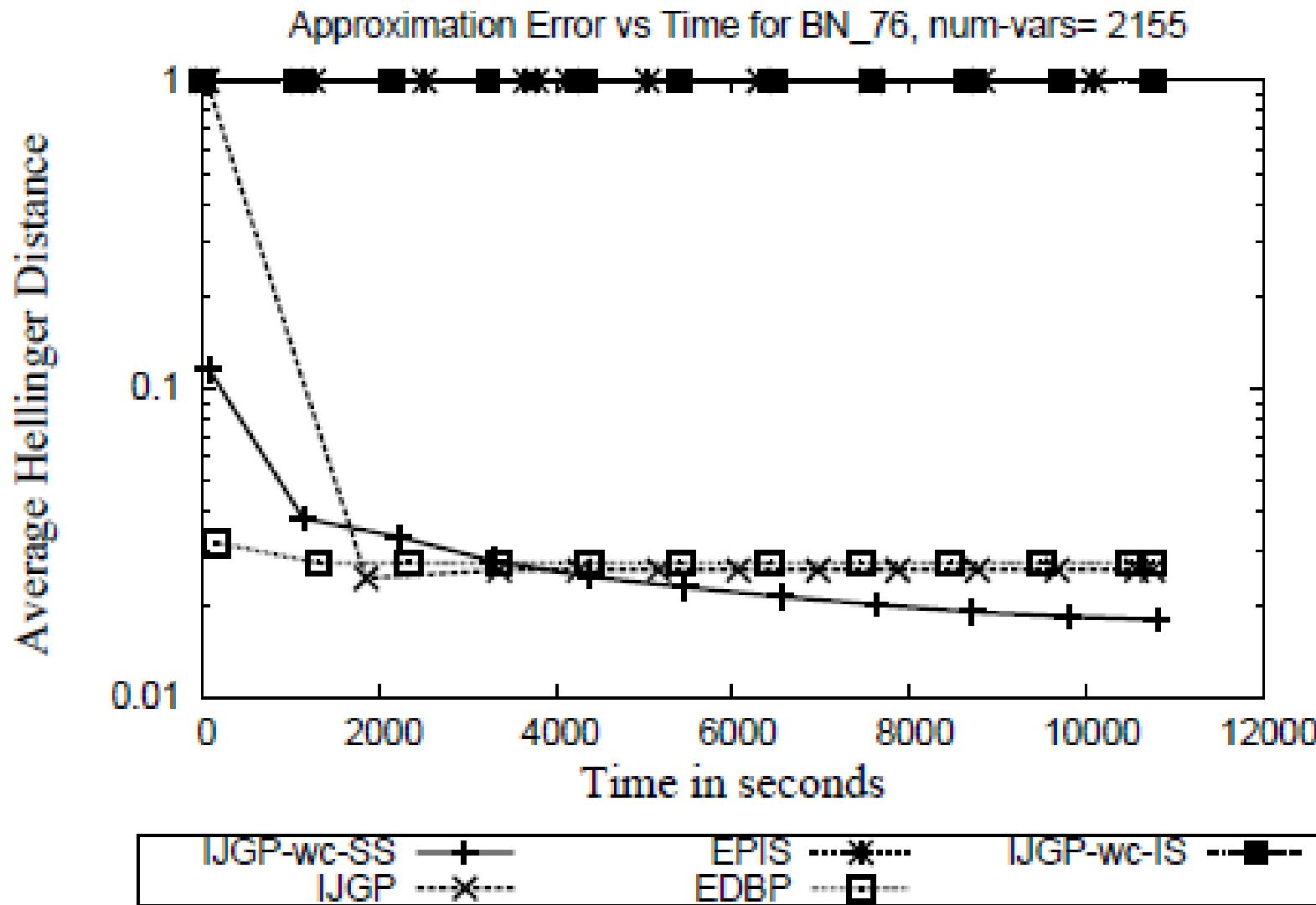
# Results: Posterior Marginals

## Linkage instances (UAI 2006 evaluation)

Problem	$\langle n, k, c, e, w \rangle$		IJGP-wc-SS	IJGP	EPIS	EDBP	IJGP-wc-IS
BN_69	$\langle 777, 7, 228, 78, 47 \rangle$	$\Delta$	<b>9.4E-04</b>	3.2E-02	1	8.0E-02	1
		$M$	6.84E+5				0
BN_70	$\langle 2315, 5, 484, 159, 87 \rangle$	$\Delta$	<b>2.6E-03</b>	3.3E-02	1	9.6E-02	1
		$M$	1.92E+5				0
BN_71	$\langle 1740, 6, 663, 202, 70 \rangle$	$\Delta$	<b>5.6E-03</b>	1.9E-02	1	2.5E-02	1
		$M$	7.46E+4				0
BN_72	$\langle 2155, 6, 752, 252, 86 \rangle$	$\Delta$	<b>3.6E-03</b>	7.2E-03	1	1.3E-02	1
		$M$	1.53E+5				0
BN_73	$\langle 2140, 5, 651, 216, 101 \rangle$	$\Delta$	<b>2.1E-02</b>	2.8E-02	1	6.1E-02	1
		$M$	7.75E+4				0
BN_74	$\langle 749, 6, 223, 66, 45 \rangle$	$\Delta$	6.9E-04	<b>4.3E-06</b>	1	4.3E-02	1
		$M$	2.80E+5				0
BN_75	$\langle 1820, 5, 477, 155, 92 \rangle$	$\Delta$	<b>8.0E-03</b>	6.2E-02	1	9.3E-02	1
		$M$	7.72E+4				0
BN_76	$\langle 2155, 7, 605, 169, 64 \rangle$	$\Delta$	<b>1.8E-02</b>	2.6E-02	1	2.7E-02	1
		$M$	2.52E+4				0

Time Bound: 3 hrs

Table shows the Hellinger distance ( $\Delta$ ) and Number of samples:  $M$



# Summary: SampleSearch

- Manages rejection problem while sampling
- Sampling Distribution is the backtrack-free distribution  $Q^F$
- Approximation of  $Q^F$  by storing all traces yielding an asymptotically unbiased estimator
  - Linear time and space overhead
  - Bound the weighted counts from above and below
- Empirically, when a substantial number of zero probabilities are present, SampleSearch dominate.

# Overview

- Introduction: Mixed graphical models
- SampleSearch: Sampling with Searching
- Exploiting structure in sampling: AND/OR  
Importance sampling

# Motivation

$$M = \sum_z f(z) = \sum_{x1, x2, x3, x4} f_A(x_1, x_2, x_3) f_B(x_2, x_3, x_4) f_C(x_4)$$

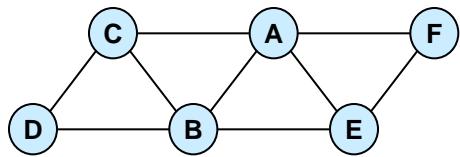
$$M = \sum_z f(z) = \sum_{x1, x2, x3, x4} f_A(x_1) f_B(x_2) f_C(x_3, x_4)$$

Given  $Q(z)$ , Importance sampling totally disregards the structure of  $f(z)$  while approximating it.

$$M = \sum_{z \in Z} f(z) = \sum_{z \in Z} f(z) \frac{Q(z)}{Q(z)} = E_Q \left[ \frac{f(z)}{Q(z)} \right]$$

# OR Search Tree

Constraint Satisfaction – Counting Solutions

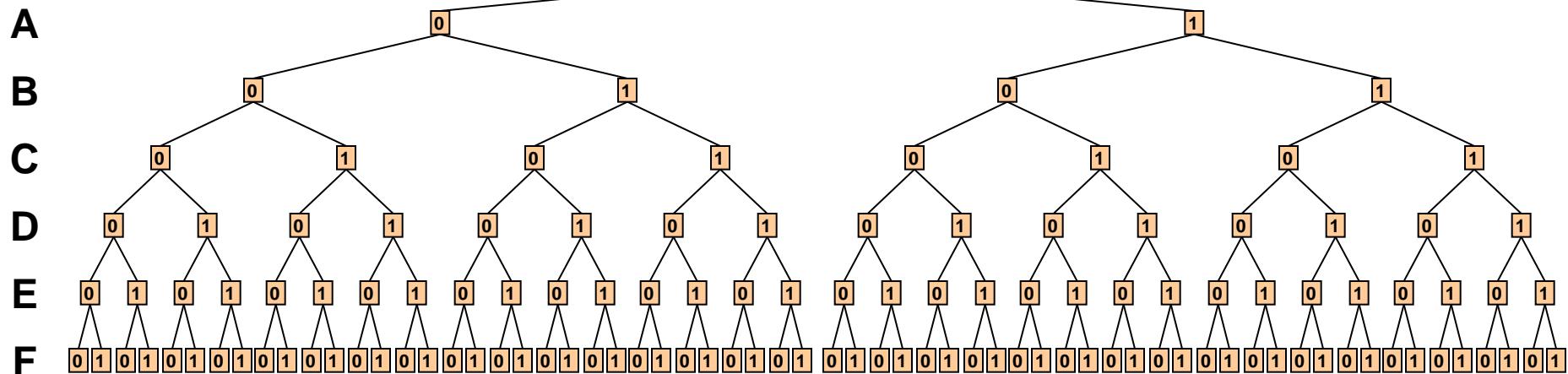


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0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

B	C	D	$R_{BCD}$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

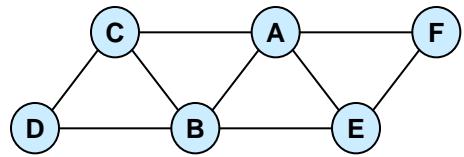
A	B	E	$R_{ABE}$
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1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

A	E	F	$R_{AEF}$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
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1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0



# AND/OR Search Tree

Constraint Satisfaction – Counting Solutions

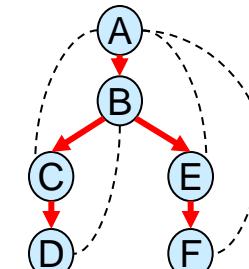


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B	C	D	$R_{BCD}$
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A	E	F	$R_{AEF}$
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1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0



pseudo tree

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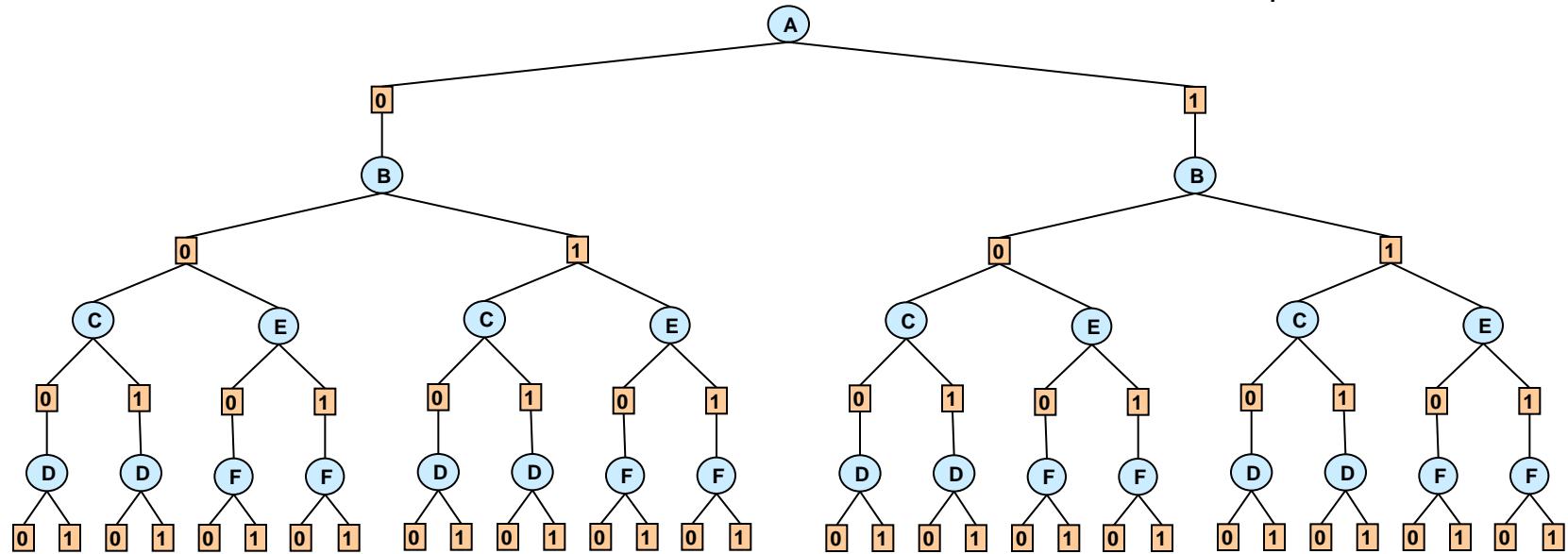
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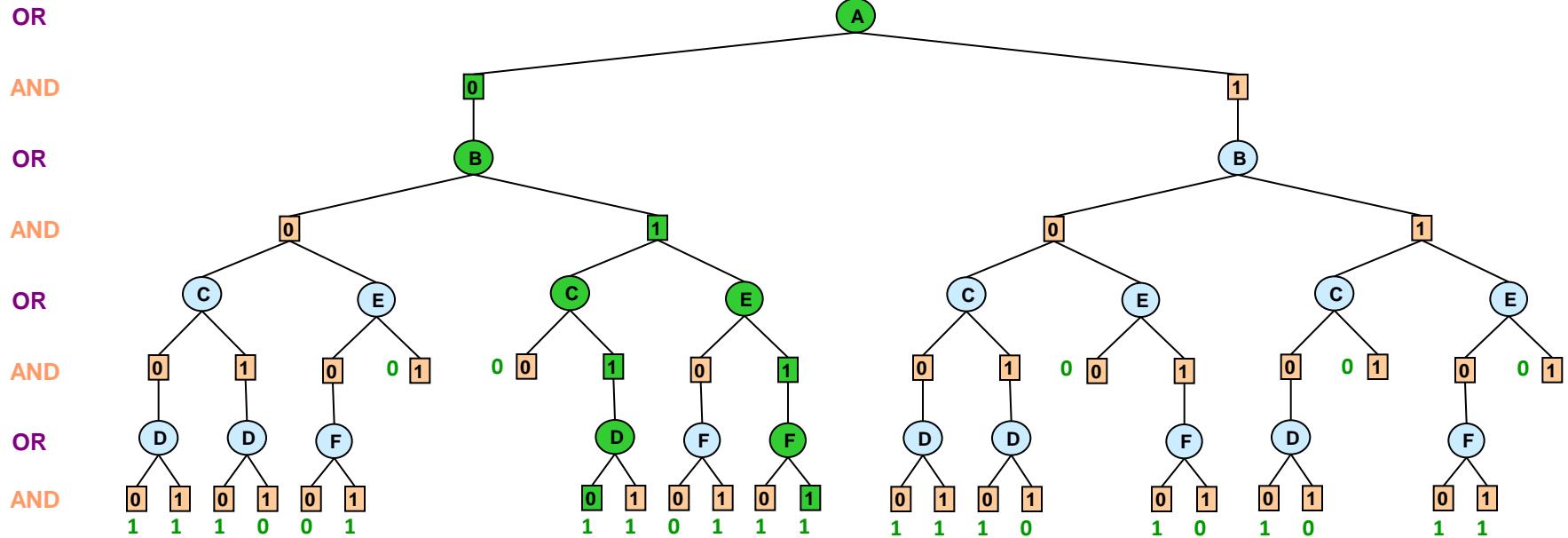
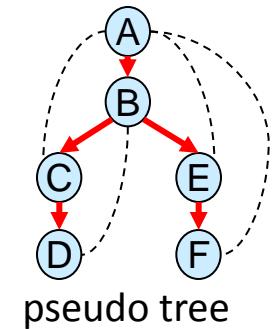
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# AND/OR Tree

**OR** – casing upon variable values

**AND** – decomposition into independent subproblems



# Complexity of AND/OR Tree Search

	AND/OR tree	OR tree
Space	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Time	$O(n k^m)$ $O(n k^{w^*} \log n)$ [Freuder & Quinn85], [Collin, Dechter & Katz91], [Bayardo & Miranker95], [Darwiche01]	$O(k^n)$

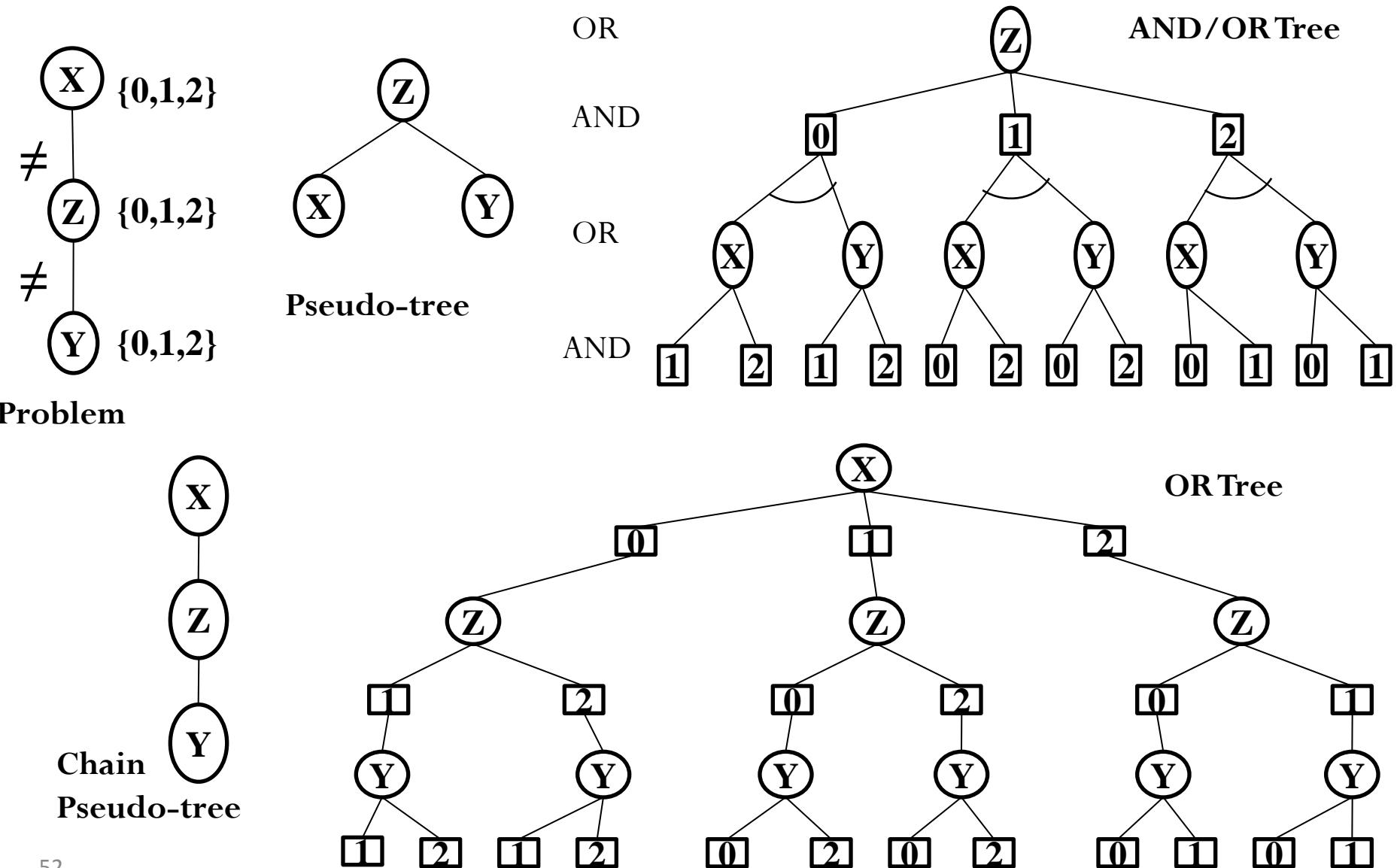
$k$  = domain size

$m$  = depth of pseudo-tree

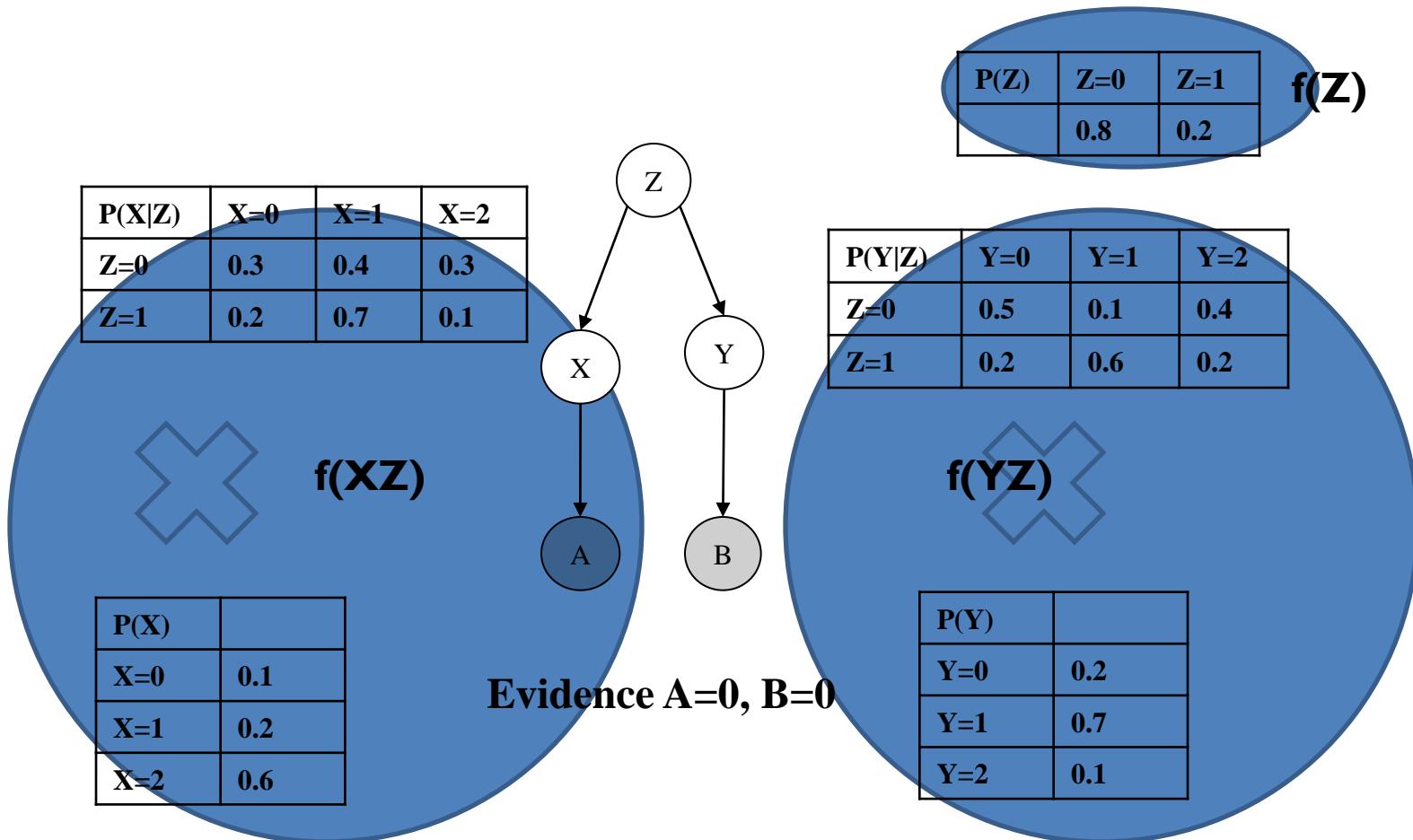
$n$  = number of variables

$w^*$  = treewidth

# Background: AND/OR search space



# Example Bayesian network



$$M = P(a, b) = \sum_{XYZ} f(XZ)f(YZ)f(Z)$$

# Recap:

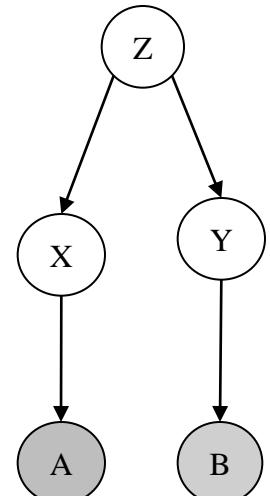
## Conventional Importance Sampling

$$M = \sum_{XYZ} f(XZ)f(YZ)f(Z)$$

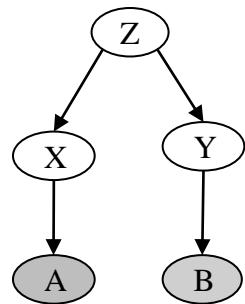
$$Q(XYZ) = Q(Z)Q(X|Z)Q(Y|Z)$$

$$M = \sum_{XYZ} \frac{f(XZ)f(YZ)f(Z)}{Q(Z)Q(X|Z)Q(Y|Z)} Q(Z)Q(X|Z)Q(Y|Z)$$

$$= E_Q \left[ \frac{f(XZ)f(YZ)f(Z)}{Q(Z)Q(X|Z)Q(Y|Z)} \right]$$



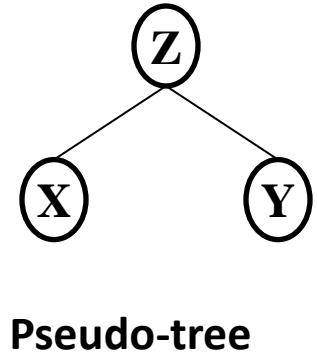
**AND/OR idea!**  
**Decompose this expectation**



# AND/OR Importance Sampling (General Idea)

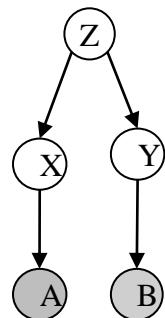
- Decompose Expectation

$$M = \sum_{XYZ} \frac{f(XZ)f(YZ)f(Z)}{Q(Z)Q(X|Z)Q(Y|Z)} Q(Z)Q(X|Z)Q(Y|Z)$$



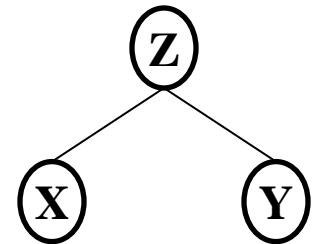
$$M = \left( \sum_Z \frac{f(Z)}{Q(Z)} Q(Z) \left( \sum_X \frac{f(XZ)}{Q(X|Z)} Q(X|Z) \right) \left( \sum_Y \frac{f(YZ)}{Q(Y|Z)} Q(Y|Z) \right) \right)$$

$$M = E_Q \left[ \frac{f(Z)}{Q(Z)} E_Q \left[ \frac{f(XZ)}{Q(X|Z)} | Z \right] E_Q \left[ \frac{f(YZ)}{Q(Y|Z)} | Z \right] \right]$$



# AND/OR Importance Sampling (General Idea)

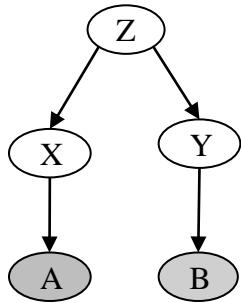
$$M = E_Q \left[ \frac{f(Z)}{Q(Z)} E_Q \left[ \frac{f(XZ)}{Q(X|Z)} | Z \right] E_Q \left[ \frac{f(YZ)}{Q(Y|Z)} | Z \right] \right]$$



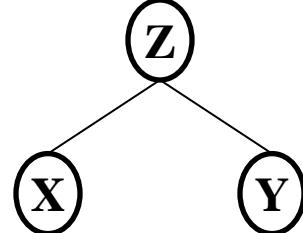
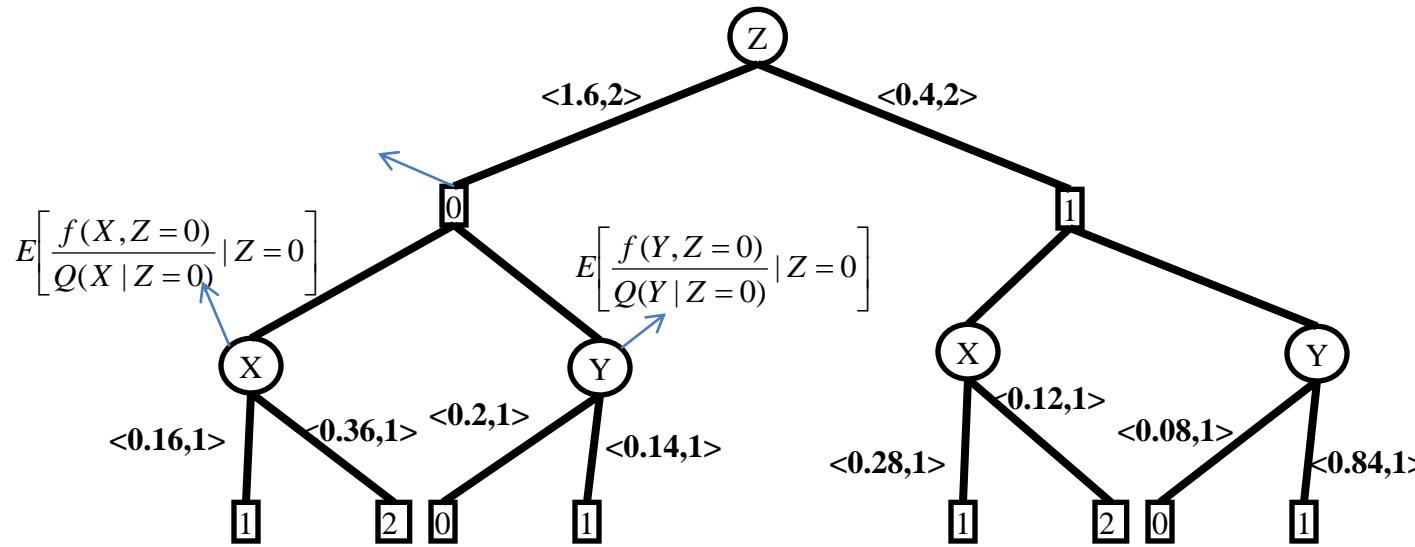
Pseudo-tree

- Estimate all conditional expectations separately
- How?
  - Record all samples
  - For each sample that has  $Z=j$ 
    - Estimate the conditional expectations  $X|Z$  and  $Y|Z$  using samples corresponding to  $X|Z=j$  and  $Y|Z=j$  respectively.
    - Combine the results

# AND/OR Importance Sampling



$$M = E_Q \left[ \frac{f(Z)}{Q(Z)} E_Q \left[ \frac{f(XZ)}{Q(X|Z)} | Z \right] E_Q \left[ \frac{f(YZ)}{Q(Y|Z)} | Z \right] \right]$$

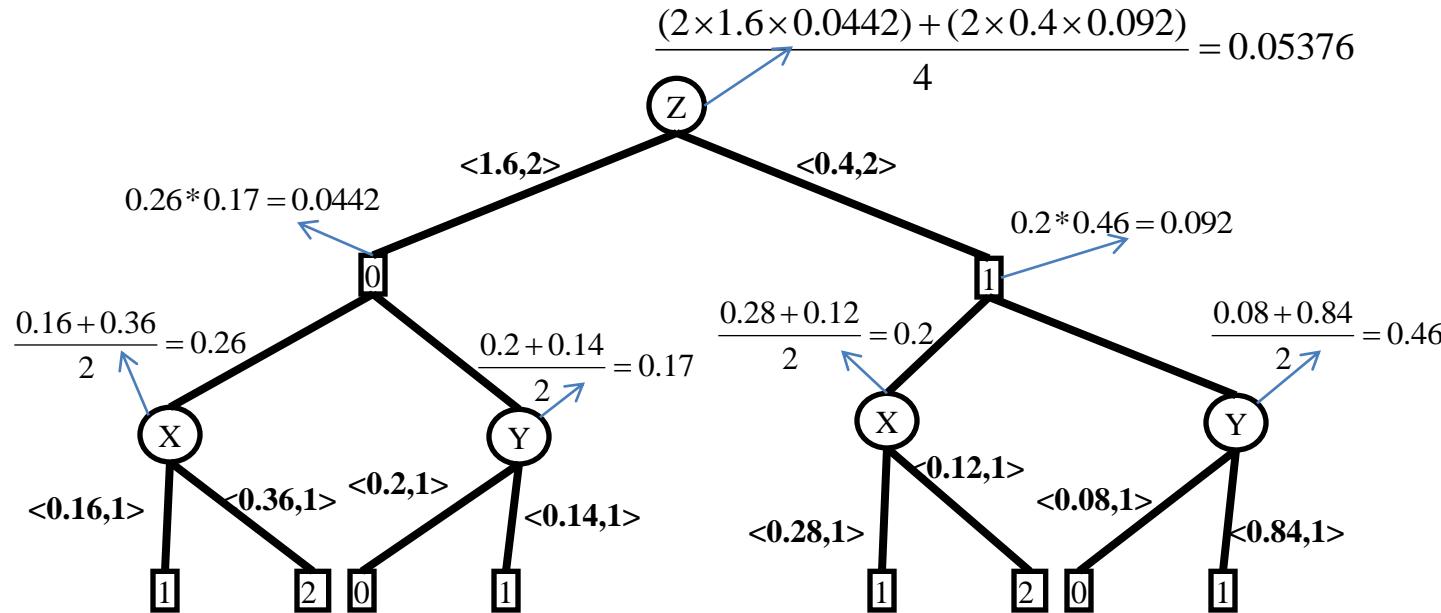


Estimate of  $E \left[ \frac{f(X, Z=0)}{Q(X|Z=0)} | Z=0 \right]$

= Average Weight of samples on X having  $Z = 0$

=  $w(x=1, z=0) + w(x=2, z=0) / 2$

# AND/OR Importance Sampling



Sample #	Z	X	Y
1	0	1	0
2	0	2	1
3	1	1	1
4	1	2	0

All AND nodes: Separate Components. Take Product

**Operator: Product**

All OR nodes: Conditional Expectations given the assignment above it

**Operator: Average**

# Algorithm AND/OR Importance Sampling

1. Generate samples  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N$  from  $Q$  along  $O$ .
2. Build a AND/OR sample tree for the samples  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N$  along the ordering  $O$ .
3. FOR all leaf nodes  $i$  of AND-OR tree do
  1. IF AND-node  $v(i)=1$  ELSE  $v(i)=0$
4. FOR every node  $n$  from leaves to the root do
  1. IF AND-node  $v(n)=\text{product of children}$
  2. IF OR-node  $v(n) = \text{Average of children}$
5. Return  $v(\text{root-node})$

# Properties of AND/OR Importance Sampling

- Unbiased estimate of weighted counts.
- AND/OR estimate has lower Variance than conventional importance sampling estimate.
- Variance Reduction
  - Easy to Prove for case of complete independence (Goodman, 1960)
  - Complicated to prove for general conditional independence case (Gogate thesis, papers!)

# AND/OR w-cutset (Rao-Blackwellised) sampling

- Rao-Blackwellisation (Rao, 1963)
  - Partition X into K and R, such that we can compute  $P(R|k)$  efficiently.
  - Sample from K and sum out R
  - Estimate:

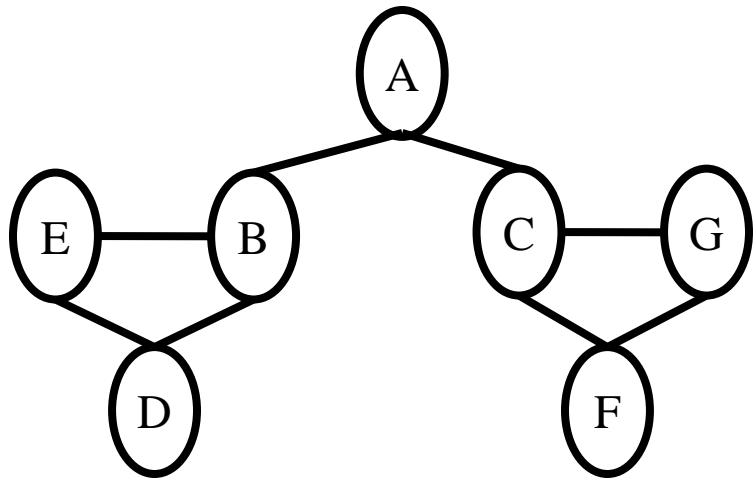
$$\hat{M}_{RB} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\sum_R P(R | k_i)}{Q(k_i)}$$

Weighted Counts  
conditioned on  $K=k_i$

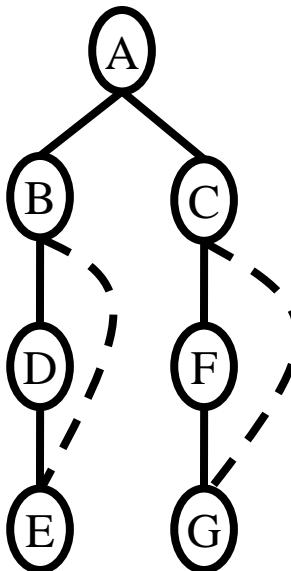
- **w-cutset sampling (Bidyuk and Dechter, 2003):**  
Select K such that the treewidth of R after removing K is bounded by “w”.

# AND/OR w-cutset sampling

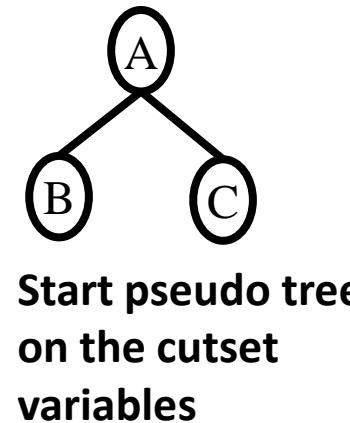
- Perform AND/OR tree or graph sampling on K
- Exact inference on R
- Orthogonal approaches:
  - Theorem: Combining AND/OR sampling and w-cutset sampling yields further variance reduction.



Graphical model



Full pseudo tree



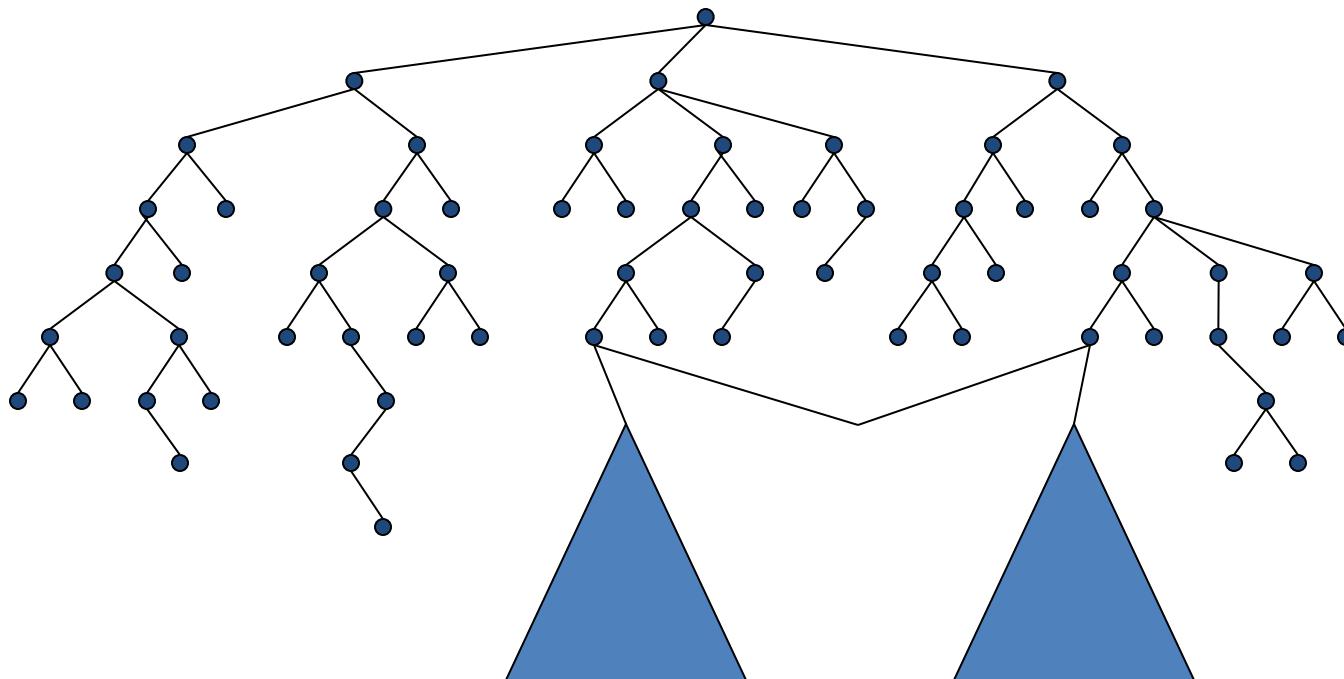
Start pseudo tree  
on the cutset  
variables



OR pseudo tree  
on the cutset variables

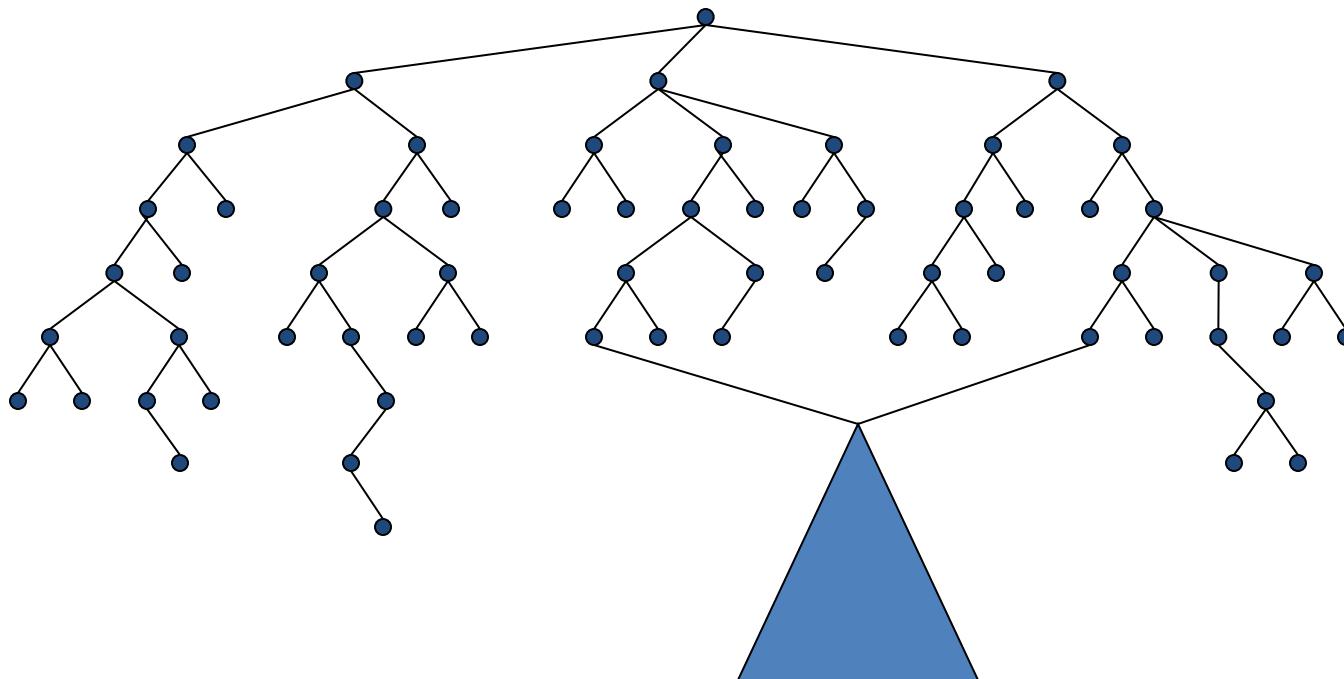
# From Search Trees to Search Graphs

- Any two nodes that root identical subtrees (subgraphs) can be merged



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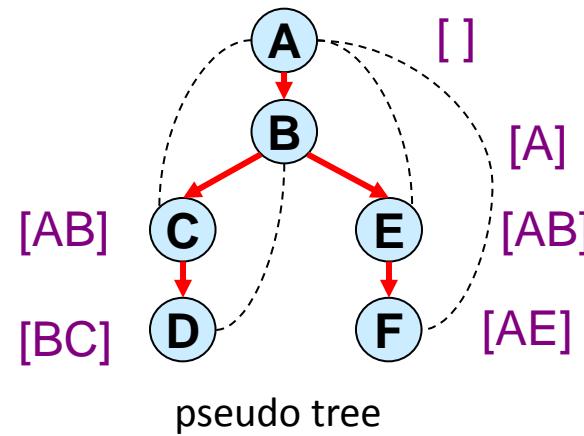
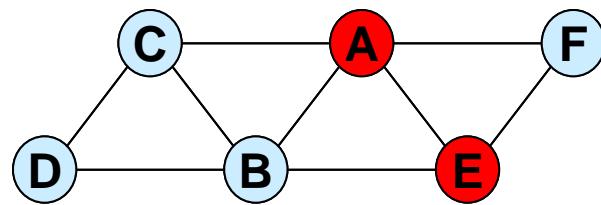
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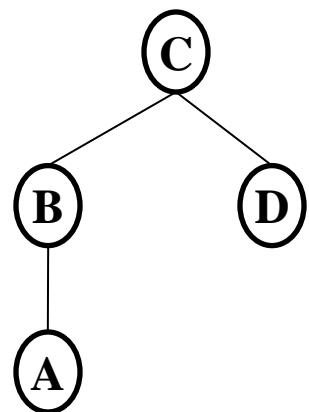
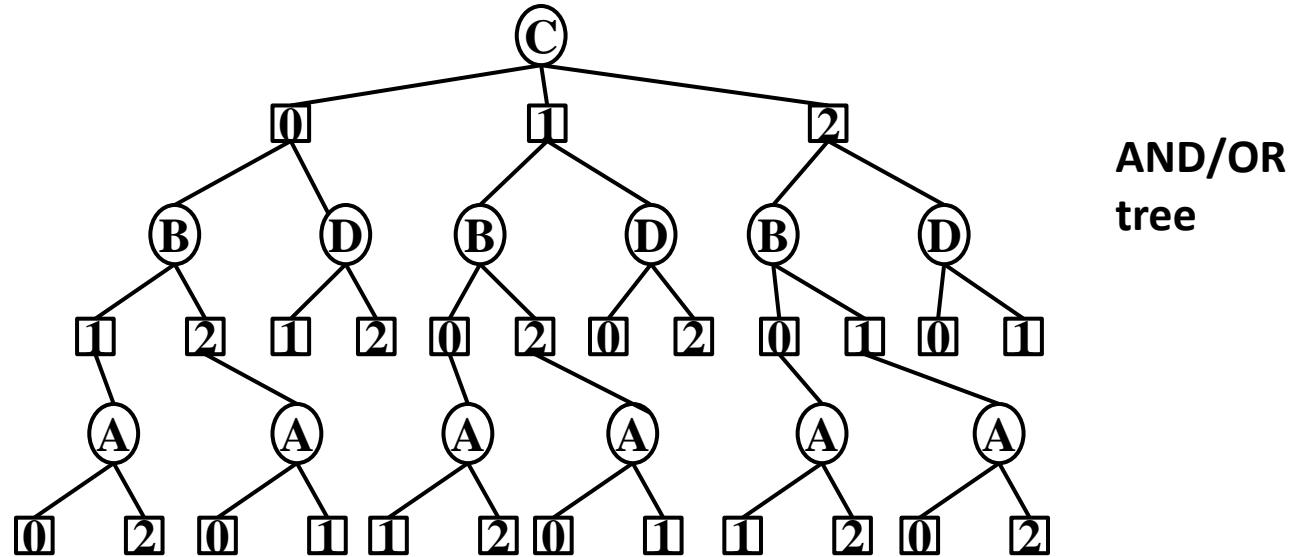
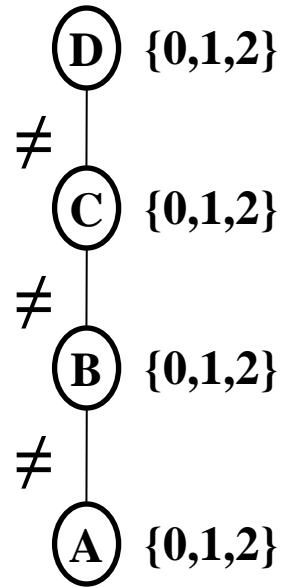
# Merging Based on Context

- One way of recognizing nodes that can be merged:

context (X) = ancestors of X in pseudo tree that are connected to X, or to descendants of X

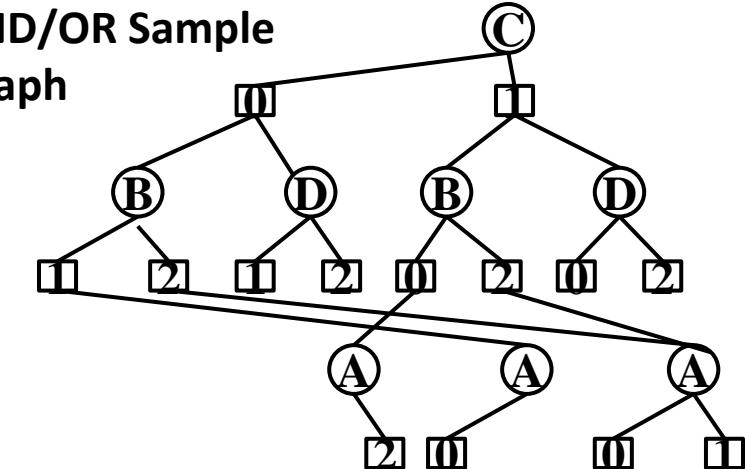
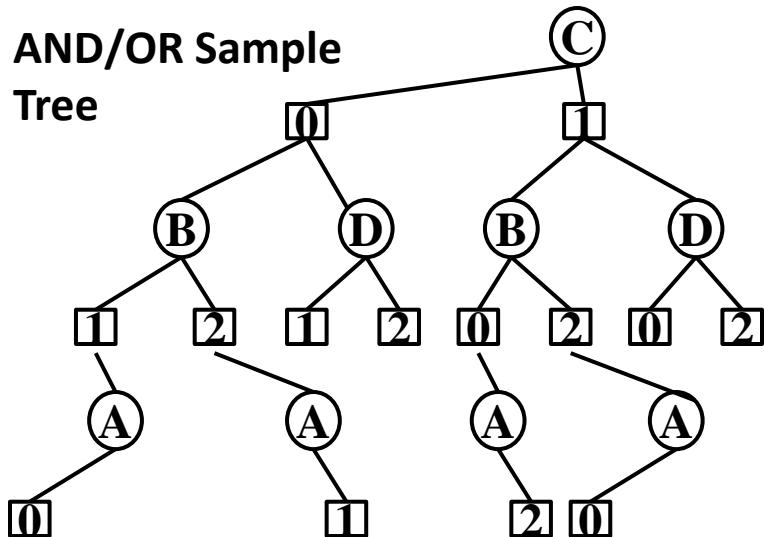
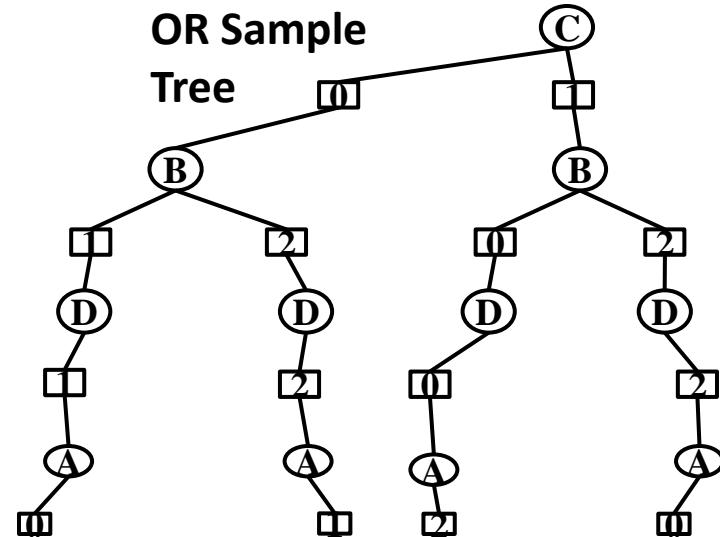
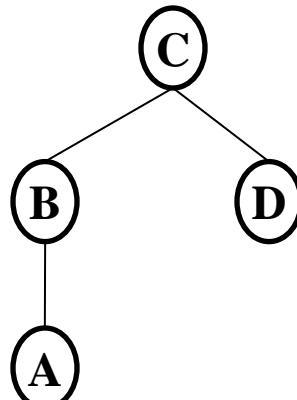
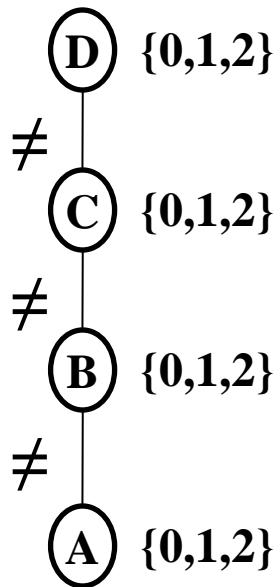


# AND/OR Graphs

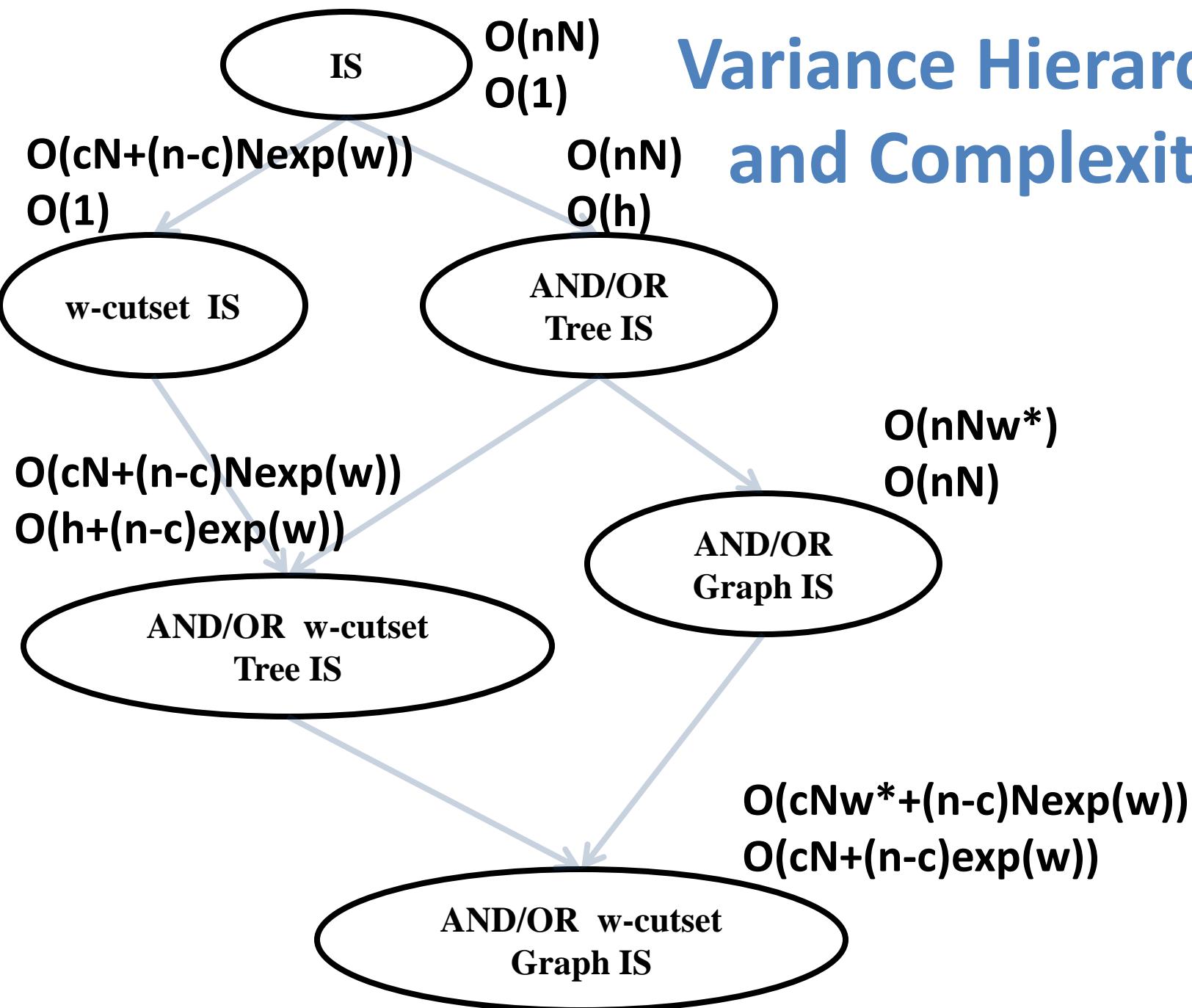


AND/OR  
graph

# AND/OR graph sampling



# Variance Hierarchy and Complexity



# Experiments

- Benchmarks
  - Linkage analysis
  - Graph coloring
  - Grids
- Algorithms
  - OR tree sampling
  - AND/OR tree sampling
  - AND/OR graph sampling
  - w-cutset versions of the three schemes above

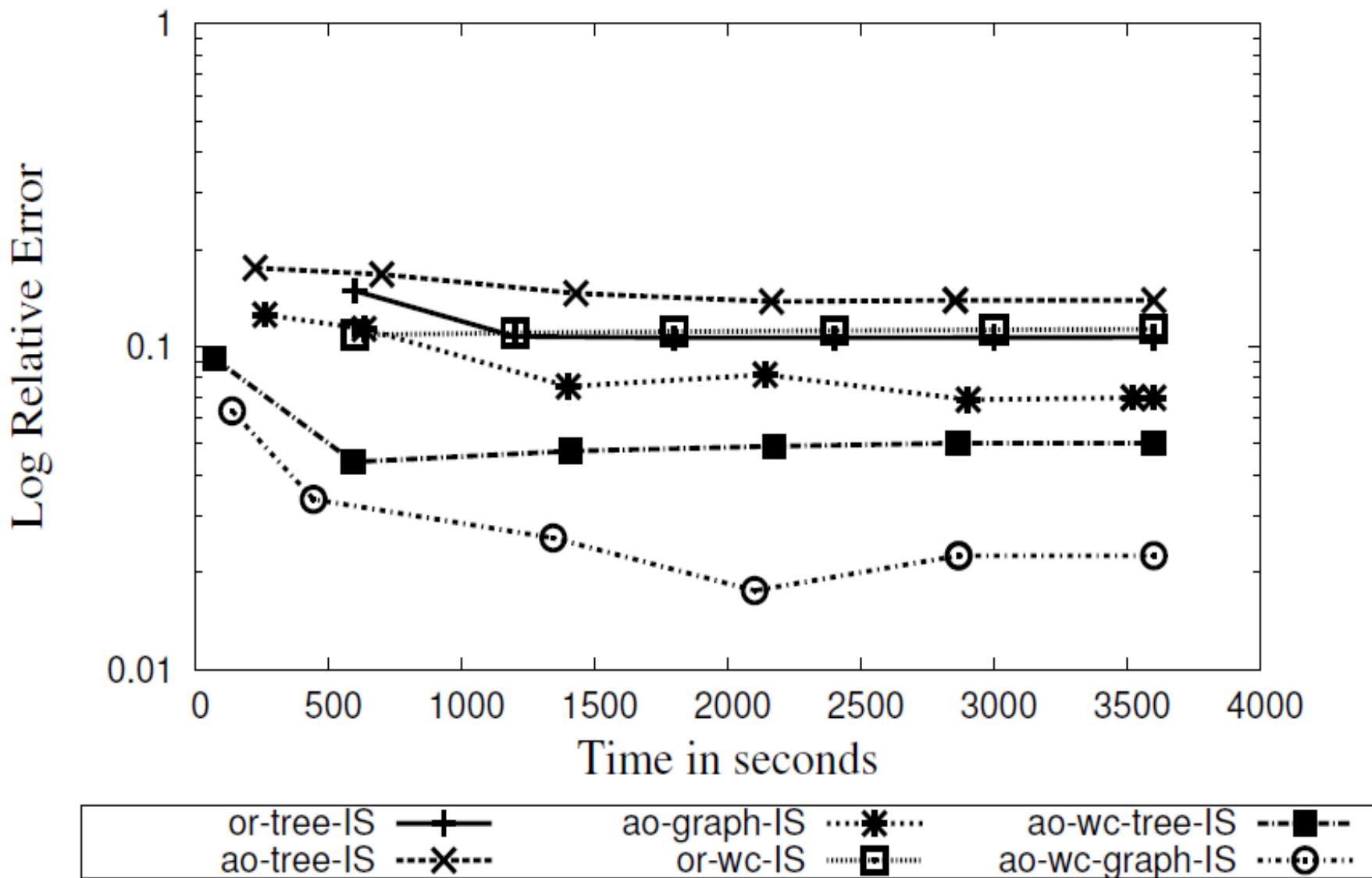
# Results: Probability of Evidence

## Linkage instances (UAI 2006 evaluation)

Problem	$\langle n, k, E, t^*, c \rangle$	Exact	or-tree-IS Δ	ao-tree-IS Δ	ao-graph-IS Δ	or-wc-tree-IS Δ	ao-wc-tree-IS Δ	ao-wc-graph-IS Δ
BN_69.uai	$\langle 777, 7, 78, 47, 59 \rangle$	5.28E-54	2.26E-02	2.46E-02	2.43E-02	2.42E-02	2.34E-02	<b>4.22E-03</b>
BN_70.uai	$\langle 2315, 5, 159, 87, 98 \rangle$	2.00E-71	6.32E-02	7.25E-02	5.12E-02	8.18E-02	5.36E-02	<b>2.62E-02</b>
BN_71.uai	$\langle 1740, 6, 202, 70, 139 \rangle$	5.12E-111	6.74E-02	5.51E-02	2.35E-02	8.58E-02	<b>9.46E-03</b>	1.21E-02
BN_72.uai	$\langle 2155, 6, 252, 86, 88 \rangle$	4.21E-150	3.19E-02	4.61E-02	2.46E-03	6.12E-02	<b>1.41E-03</b>	2.63E-03
BN_73.uai	$\langle 2140, 5, 216, 101, 149 \rangle$	2.26E-113	1.18E-01	1.12E-01	4.55E-02	1.58E-01	<b>3.54E-02</b>	3.95E-02
BN_74.uai	$\langle 749, 6, 66, 45, 72 \rangle$	3.75E-45	5.34E-02	4.31E-02	2.87E-02	8.08E-02	2.83E-02	<b>2.76E-02</b>
BN_75.uai	$\langle 1820, 5, 155, 92, 131 \rangle$	5.88E-91	4.47E-02	8.15E-02	4.73E-02	7.28E-02	4.20E-02	<b>7.60E-03</b>
BN_76.uai	$\langle 2155, 7, 169, 64, 239 \rangle$	4.93E-110	1.07E-01	1.39E-01	6.95E-02	1.13E-01	5.03E-02	<b>2.26E-02</b>
BN_77.uai	$\langle 1020, 9, 135, 22, 97 \rangle$	6.88E-79	1.06E-01	9.38E-02	8.26E-02	1.24E-01	6.75E-02	<b>3.27E-02</b>

Time Bound: 1hr

Log Relative error Error vs Time for BN\_76, num-vars= 2155



# Summary: AND/OR Importance sampling

- AND/OR sampling: A general scheme to exploit conditional independence in sampling
- **Theoretical guarantees:** lower sampling error than conventional sampling
- Variance reduction orthogonal to Rao-Blackwellised sampling.
- Better empirical performance than conventional sampling.