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AI can learn from data.
But can it learn to reason?

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   ~~deep learning~~

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   logical reasoning + *deep learning*

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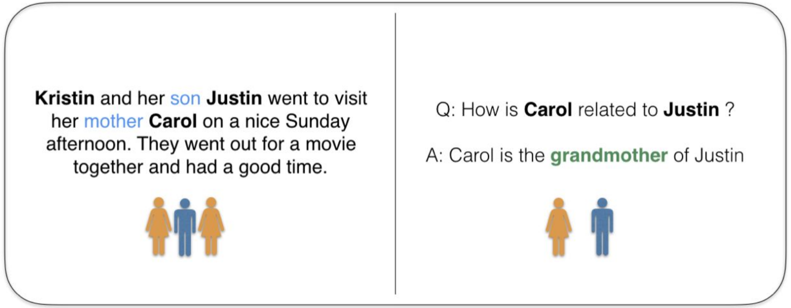
Can Language Models Perform Logical Reasoning?

Language Models achieve high performance on various “reasoning” benchmarks in NLP.



Reasoning Example from the CLUTRR dataset

It is unclear whether they solve the tasks following the rules of logical deduction.

Language Models:
input → ? → Carol is the grandmother of Justin.

Logical Reasoning:
input → Justin in Kristin’s son; Carol is Kristin’s mother; → Carol is Justin’s mother’s mother; if X is Y’s mother’s mother then X is Y’s grandmother → Carol is the grandmother of Justin.

SimpleLogic

Generate textual train and test examples of the form:

Rules: If witty, then diplomatic. If careless and condemned and attractive, then blushing. If dishonest and inquisitive and average, then shy. If average, then stormy. If popular, then blushing. If talented, then hurt. If popular and attractive, then thoughtless. If blushing and shy and stormy, then inquisitive. If adorable, then popular. If cooperative and wrong and stormy, then thoughtless. If popular, then sensible. If cooperative, then wrong. If shy and cooperative, then witty. If polite and shy and thoughtless, then talented. If polite, then condemned. If polite and wrong, then inquisitive. If dishonest and inquisitive, then talented. If blushing and dishonest, then careless. If inquisitive and dishonest, then troubled. If blushing and stormy, then shy. If diplomatic and talented, then careless. If wrong and beautiful, then popular. If ugly and shy and beautiful, then stormy. If shy and inquisitive and attractive, then diplomatic. If witty and beautiful and frightened, then adorable. If diplomatic and cooperative, then sensible. If thoughtless and inquisitive, then diplomatic. If careless and dishonest and troubled, then cooperative. If hurt and witty and troubled, then dishonest. If scared and diplomatic and troubled, then average. If ugly and wrong and careless, then average. If dishonest and scared, then polite. If talented, then dishonest. If condemned, then wrong. If wrong and troubled and blushing, then scared. If attractive and condemned, then frightened. If hurt and condemned and shy, then witty. If cooperative, then attractive. If careless, then polite. If adorable and wrong and careless, then diplomatic. Facts: Alice sensible Alice condemned Alice thoughtless Alice polite Alice scared Alice average
Query: Alice is shy ?

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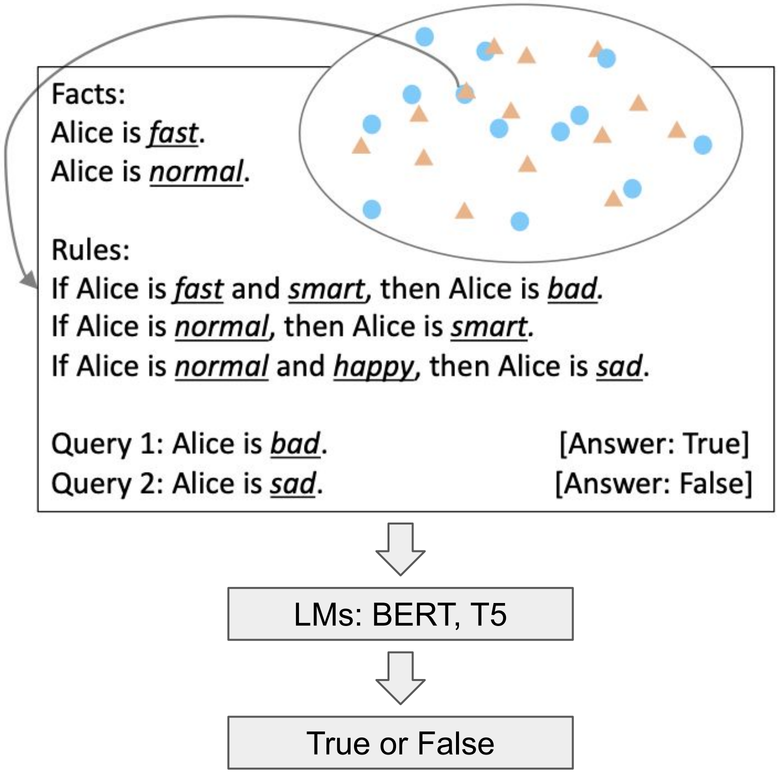
Problem Setting: SimpleLogic

The easiest of reasoning problems:

1. **Propositional logic** fragment
   a. bounded vocabulary & number of rules
   b. bounded reasoning depth (≤ 6)
   c. finite space (≈ 10^360)
2. **No language variance**: templated language
3. **Self-contained**
   No prior knowledge
4. **Purely symbolic** predicates
   No shortcuts from word meaning
5. **Tractable** logic (definite clauses)
   Can always be solved efficiently



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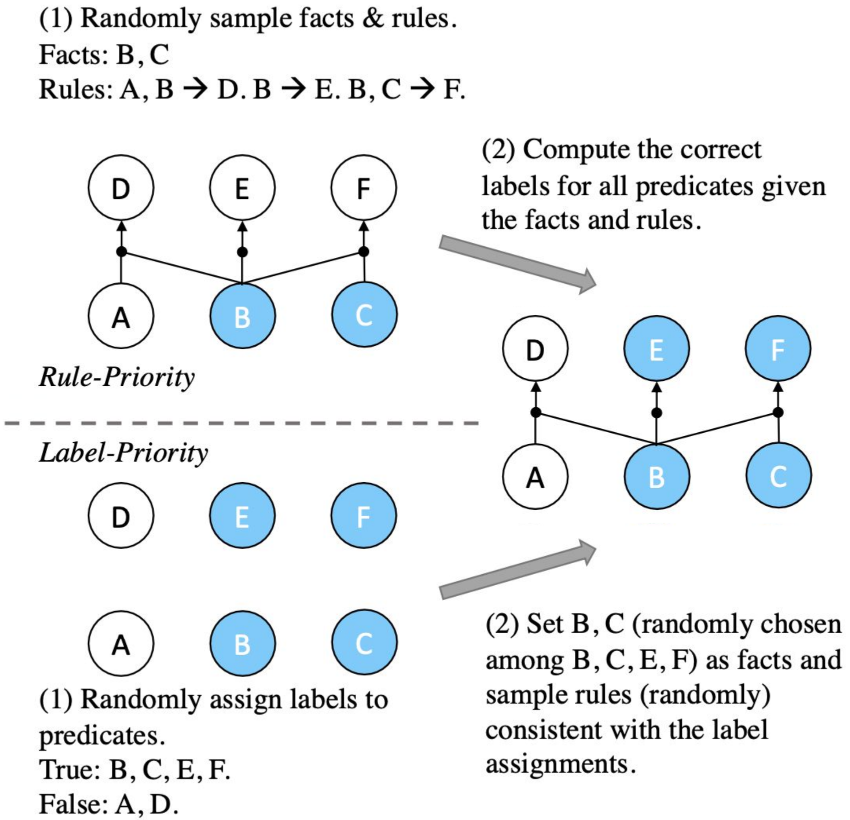
Training a transformer on SimpleLogic



Test accuracy for different reasoning depths

Test	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
RP	99.9	99.8	99.7	99.3	98.3	97.5	95.5

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LP	100.0	100.0	99.9	99.9	99.7	99.7	99.0

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Has the transformer learned to reason from data?

1. Easiest of reasoning problems (no variance, self-contained, purely symbolic, tractable)
2. RP/LP data covers the whole problem space
3. The learned model has almost 100% test accuracy
4. There exist transformer parameters that compute the ground-truth reasoning function:

> Theorem 1: *For a BERT model with* n *layers and 12 attention heads, by construction, there exists a set of parameters such that the model can correctly solve any reasoning problem in SimpleLogic that requires at most* n − 2 *steps of reasoning.*

Surely, under these conditions, the transformer has learned the ground-truth reasoning function!

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The Paradox of Learning to Reason from Data

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	LP	99.8	99.8	99.3	96.0	90.4	75.0	57.3
LP	RP	97.3	66.9	53.0	54.2	59.5	65.6	69.2
	LP	100.0	100.0	99.9	99.9	99.7	99.7	99.0

The BERT model trained on one distribution fails to generalize to the other distribution within the same problem space.

1. If the transformer **has learned** to reason, it should not exhibit such generalization failure.
2. If the transformer **has not learned** to reason, it is baffling how it achieves near-perfect in-distribution test accuracy.

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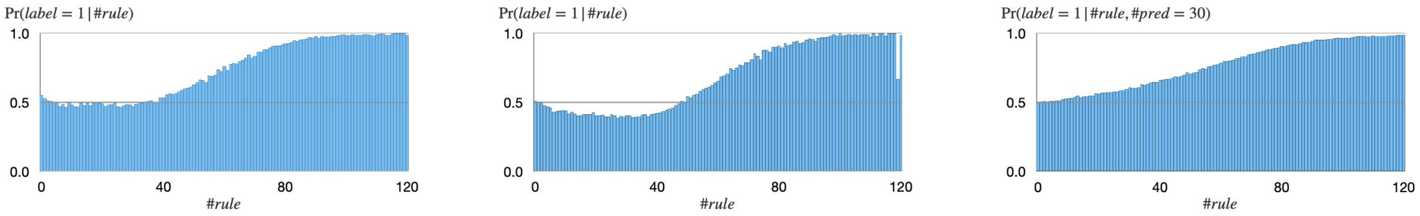
Why? Statistical Features

Monotonicity of entailment:
Any rules can be freely added to the axioms of any proven fact.

The more rules given, the more likely a predicate will be proven.

Pr(label = True | Rule # = x) should increase (roughly) monotonically with x



(a) Statistics for examples generated by Rule-Priority (RP). (b) Statistics for examples generated by Label-Priority (LP). (c) Statistics for examples generated by uniform sampling;

Model leverages statistical features to make predictions

RP_b downsamples from RP such that Pr(label = True | rule# = x) = 0.5 for all x

Train	Test	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
	RP	99.9	99.8	99.7	99.3	98.3	97.5	95.5
RP	RP_b	99.0	99.3	98.5	97.5	96.7	93.5	88.3

1. Accuracy drop from RP to RP_b indicates that
   the model is using rule# as a statistical feature to make predictions.
2. Potentially countless statistical features
3. Such features are **inherent to the reasoning problem**, cannot make data “clean”

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First Conclusion

Experiments unveil the fundamental difference between

1. learning to reason, and
2. learning to achieve high performance on benchmarks using statistical features.

Be careful deploying AI in applications where this difference matters.

FAQ: Do bigger transformers solve this problem? No, already 99% accurate…

FAQ: Will reasoning emerge? Perhaps on 99% of human behavior…

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Controlled generation is still challenging …

H generate a sentence with "pan" as the third word and "vegetable" as the fifth word.

The chef used the pan to gently sauté the diced vegetable for their delicious stir-fry dish.

ChatGPT

more reasoning!

Generate image

Stable Diffusion

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

intractable

Train some $q(.\,|\alpha)$ for a specific task distribution $\alpha \sim p_{\text{task}}$

(amortized inference, encoder, masked model, seq2seq, prompt tuning,...)

Train $q(\text{next-token}|\text{prefix}, \alpha)$

What do we need?

Prefix: "The weather is"

Constraint α: text contains "winter"

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

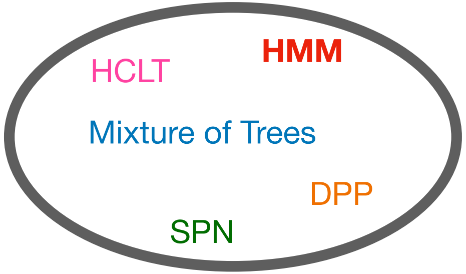
cold	0.50
warm	0.01

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

Marginalization!

Tractable Probabilistic Models

Probabilistic (Generating) Circuits



Tractable Probabilistic Models (TPMs) model joint probability distributions (just like auto-regressive LMs) and allow efficient computation of various probabilistic queries.

e.g., efficient marginalization:

$$p_{TPM}(\text{3rd token = pan, 5th token = vegetable})$$

in particular …

$$\sum_{\text{sentence}} p_{TPM}(\textbf{sentence}, \text{next-token = "warm", prefix = "The weather is"}, \alpha)$$

➡ Efficient conditioning given lexical constraints : $p_{TPM}(\text{next-token} \mid \text{prefix}, \alpha)$

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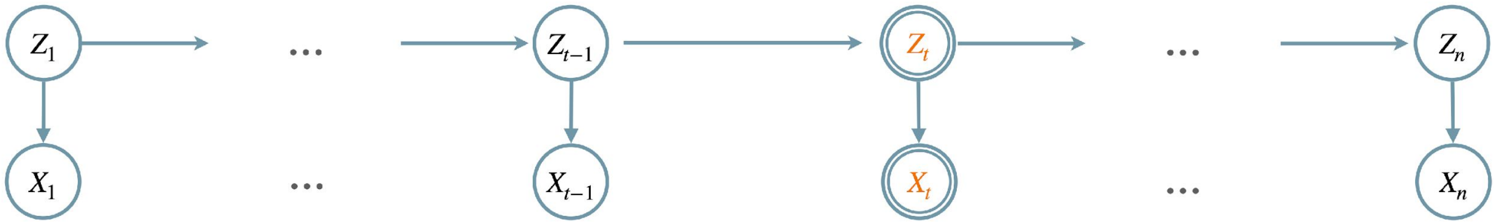
Step 1: Distill an HMM p_{hmm} that approximates p_{gpt}



1. An HMM with 4096 hidden states and 50k emission tokens
2. Train the HMM on data sampled from GPT2-large (domain-adapted, either via prompting or fine-tuning), effectively minimizing KL(p_{gpt} // p_{HMM})
3. Leverages the latent variable distillation technique for training probabilistic circuits at scale [ICLR 23]. (Cluster embeddings of examples to estimate latent Z_i)

Anji Liu, Honghua Zhang and Guy Van den Broeck. Scaling Up Probabilistic Circuits by Latent Variable Distillation, 2023.

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

For α in conjunctive normal form (CNF):

$$(w_{1,1} \lor \dots \lor w_{1,d1}) \land \dots \land (w_{m,1} \lor \dots \lor w_{m,dm})$$

where each w_{ij} is a keyword (i.e. a **string of tokens**), representing the constraint that w_{ij} appears in the generated text.

e.g., α = ("swims" ∨ "like swimming") ∧ ("lake" ∨ "pool")

Efficient algorithm:
For m clauses and sequence length n, time-complexity for generation is $O(2^{|m|}n)$.

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

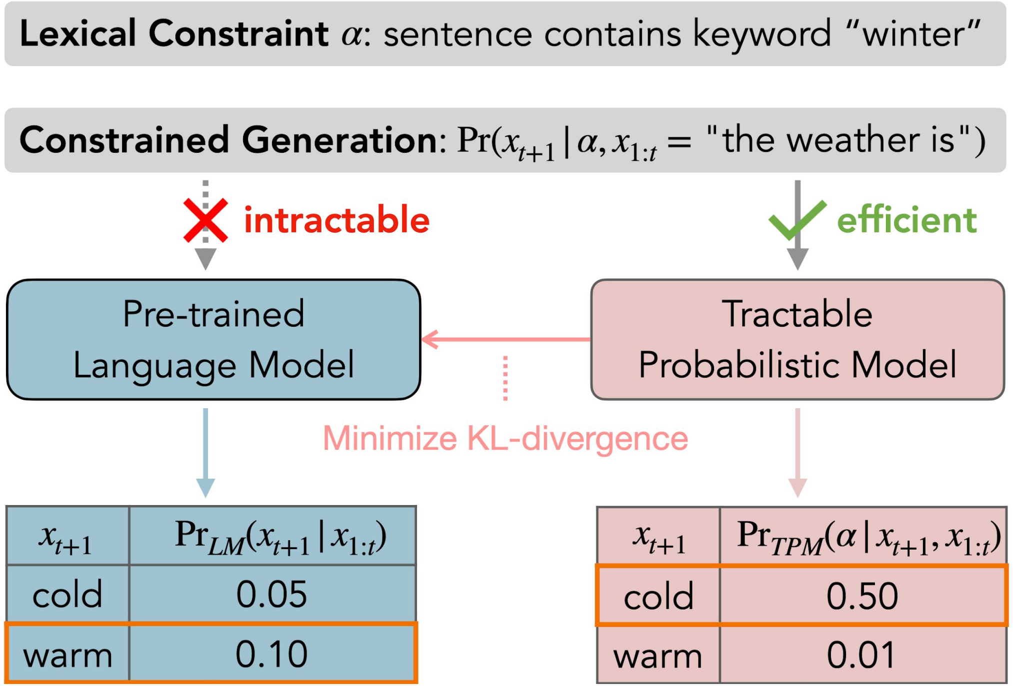
Reference 1: A car drives down a snow covered road.

Reference 2: Two cars drove through the snow.

$$(w_{1,1} \lor \ldots \lor w_{1,d1}) \land \ldots \land (w_{m,1} \lor \ldots \lor w_{m,dm})$$

Each clause represents the inflections for one keyword.

GeLaTo Overview



x_{t+1}	$\Pr_{LM}(x_{t+1} \mid x_{1:t})$
cold	0.05
warm	0.10

x_{t+1}	$\Pr_{TPM}(\alpha \mid x_{t+1}, x_{1:t})$
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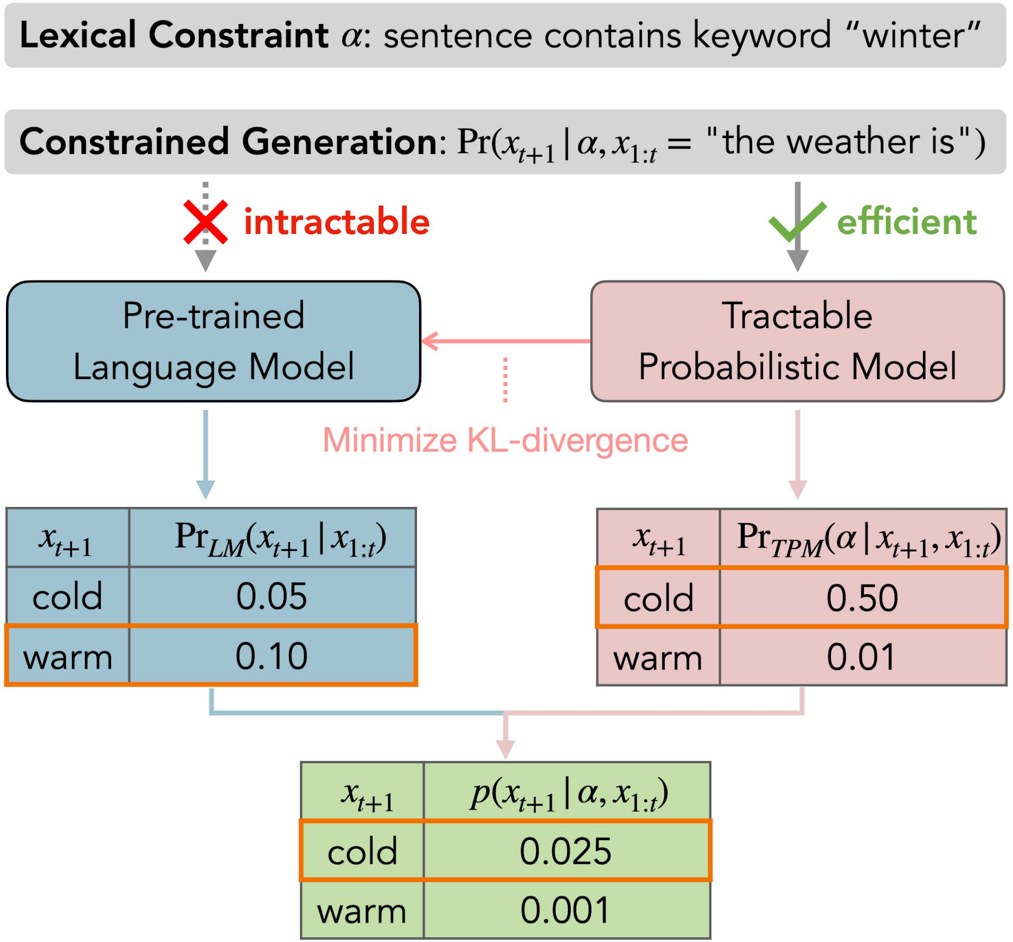

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x_{t+1}	$p(x_{t+1} \mid \alpha, x_{1:t})$
cold	0.025
warm	0.001

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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:

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

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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NeuroLogic (Lu et al., 2021)	-	42.8	-	26.7	-	14.7	-	30.5	-	97.7	-	93.9†
A*esque (Lu et al., 2022b)	-	43.6	-	28.2	-	15.2	-	30.8	-	97.8	-	97.9†
NADO (Meng et al., 2022)	44.4†	-	30.8	-	16.1†	-	**32.0**†	-	97.1	-	88.8†	-
GeLaTo	**46.0**	**45.6**	**34.1**	**32.9**	**16.7**	**16.8**	31.3	**31.9**	**100.0**	**100.0**	**100.0**	**100.0**

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Advantages of our framework:

1. Constraint α is <u>guaranteed to be satisfied</u>: 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} <u>does not depend on α</u>, which is only imposed at inference (generation) time. Once p_{hmm} is trained, we can impose whatever α.

3. We can impose <u>additional tractable constraints</u>:
   - 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: control intractable generative model by tractable generative model for (symbolic) reasoning.

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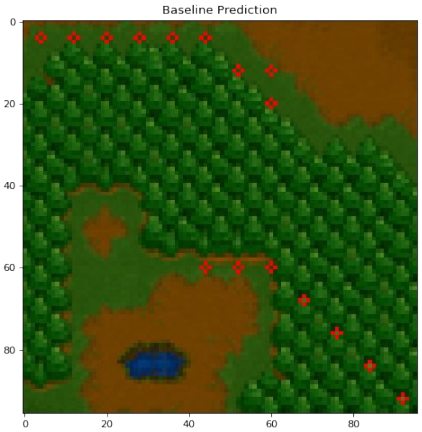
Warcraft Shortest Path

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

[Differentiation of Blackbox Combinatorial Solvers, Marin Vlastelica, Anselm Paulus, Vít Musil, Georg Martius, Michal Rolínek, 2019]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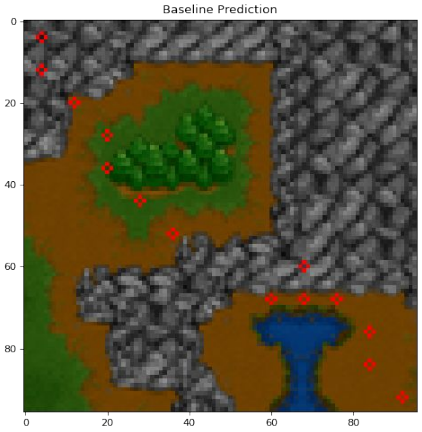
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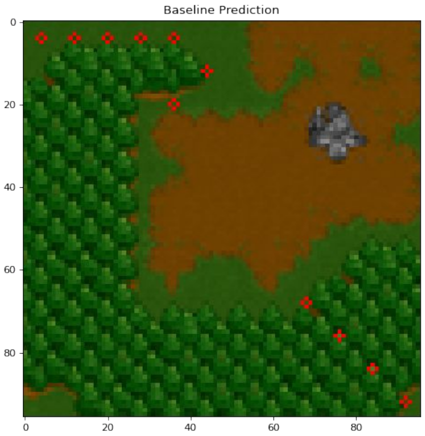
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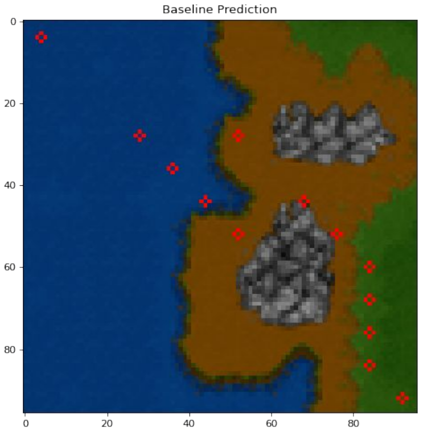
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Architecture	Exact Match	Hamming Score	Consistency
ResNet-18+FIL	55.0	**97.7**	56.9

Is prediction the shortest path?
This is the real task!

Are individual edge predictions correct?

Is output a path?

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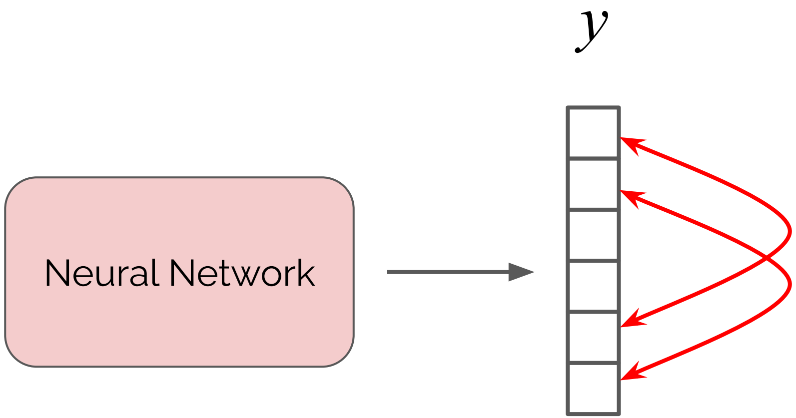
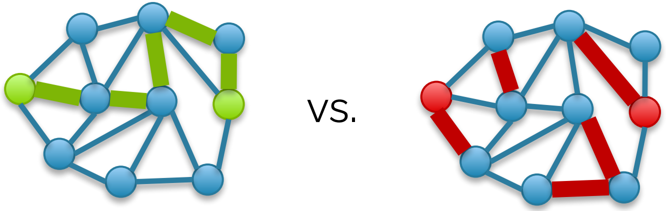
Declarative Knowledge of the Output



How is the output structured?
Are all possible outputs valid?



How are the outputs related to each other?

Learning this from data is inefficient
Much easier to express this declaratively

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3 pylon derives the gradients
(solves a combinatorial problem)

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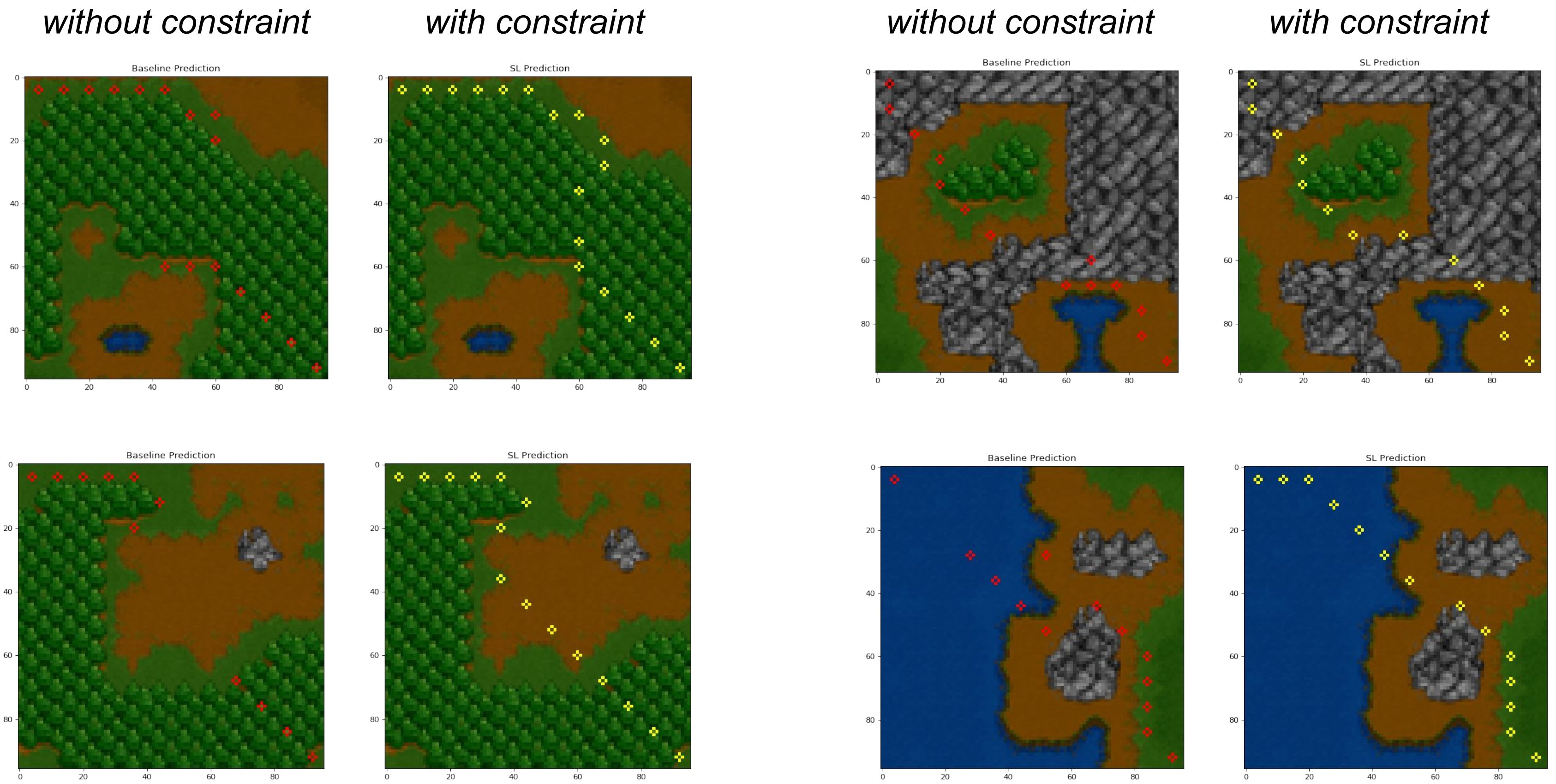
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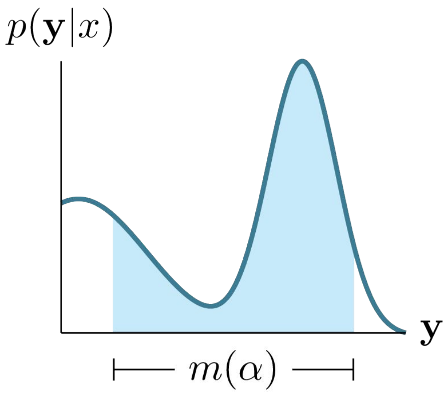
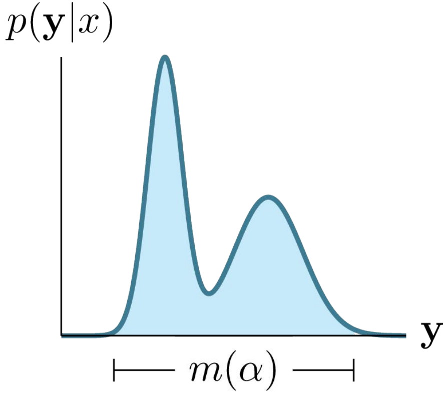


a) A network uncertain over both valid & invalid predictions

Semantic Loss



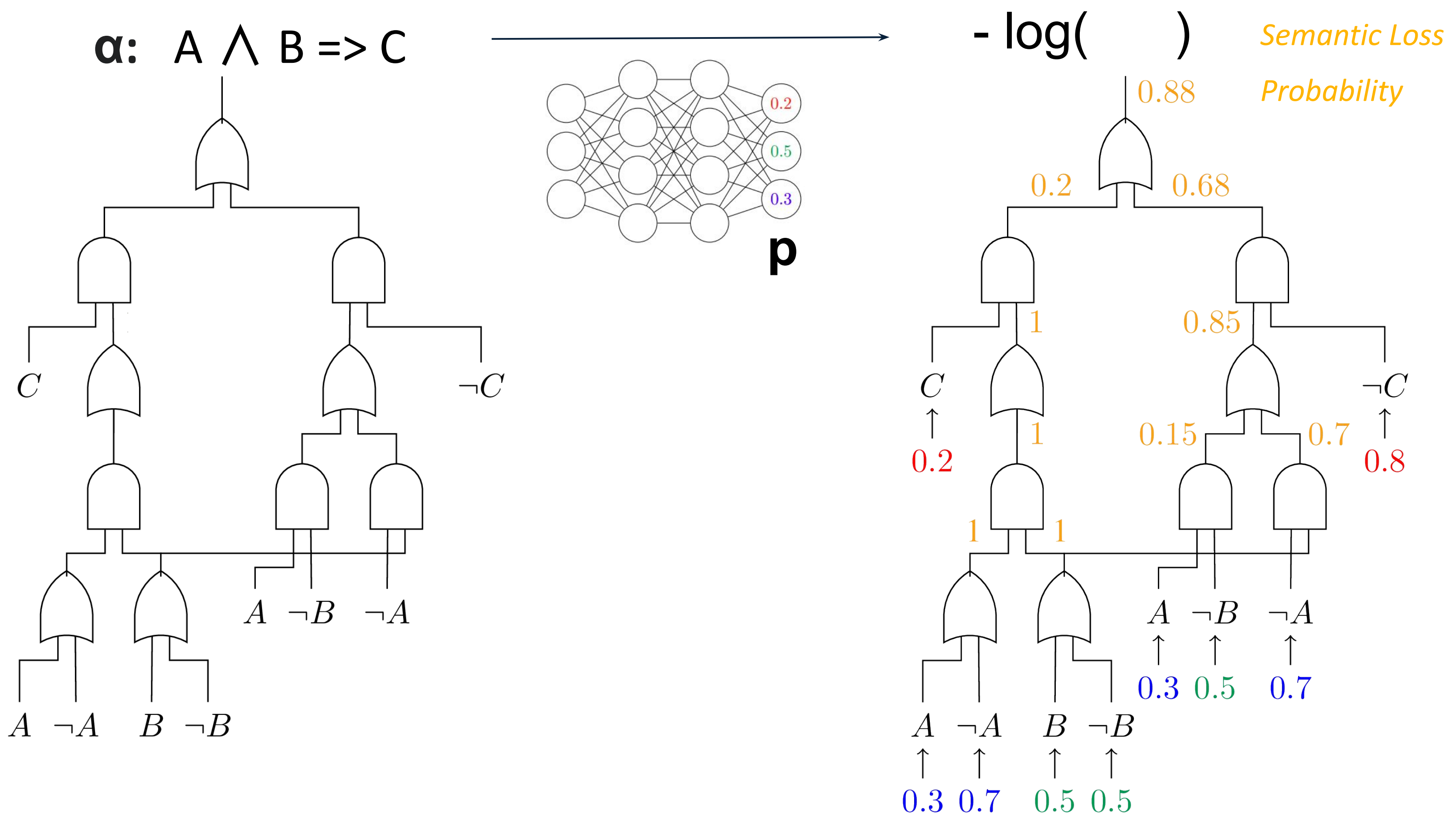
c) A network allocating most of its mass to models of constraint

$$\mathrm{L}^s(\alpha, \mathsf{p}) \propto -\log \sum_{\mathbf{x} \models \alpha} \prod_{i:\mathbf{x} \models X_i} \mathsf{p}_i \prod_{i:\mathbf{x} \models \neg X_i} (1 - \mathsf{p}_i)$$

Probability of satisfying constraint α after sampling from neural net output layer **p**

In general: #P-hard ☹

Do this probabilistic-logical reasoning during learning in a computation graph


α: A ∧ B => C
- log( )
Semantic Loss
Probability
p
0.2
0.5
0.3
0.88
0.2
0.68
1
0.85
1
0.15
0.7
1
1
C
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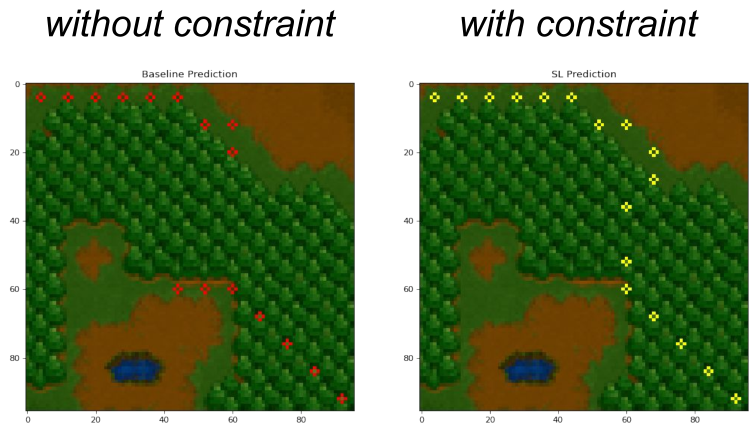

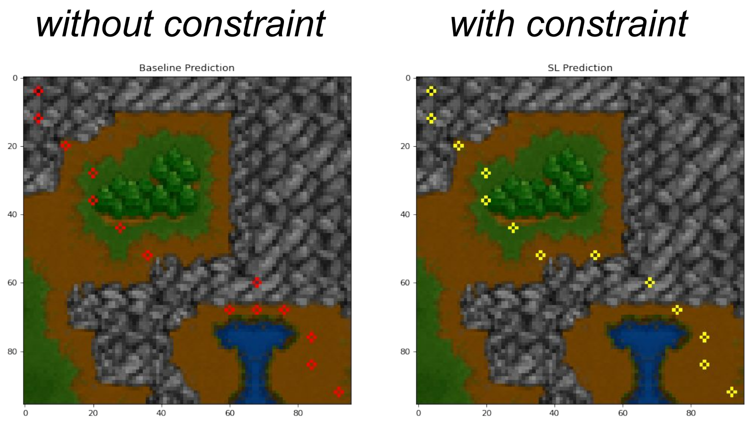

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Semantic Probabilistic Layers

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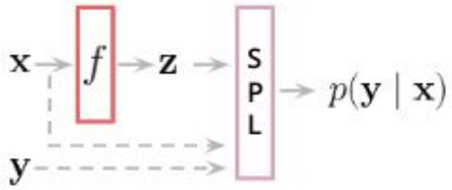

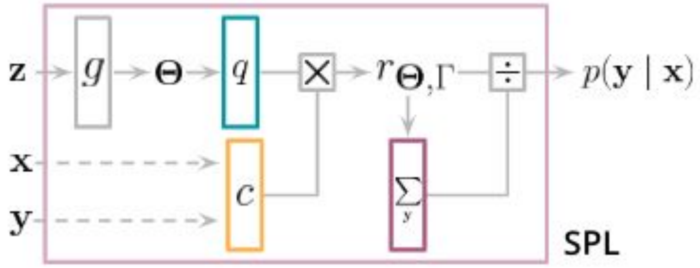

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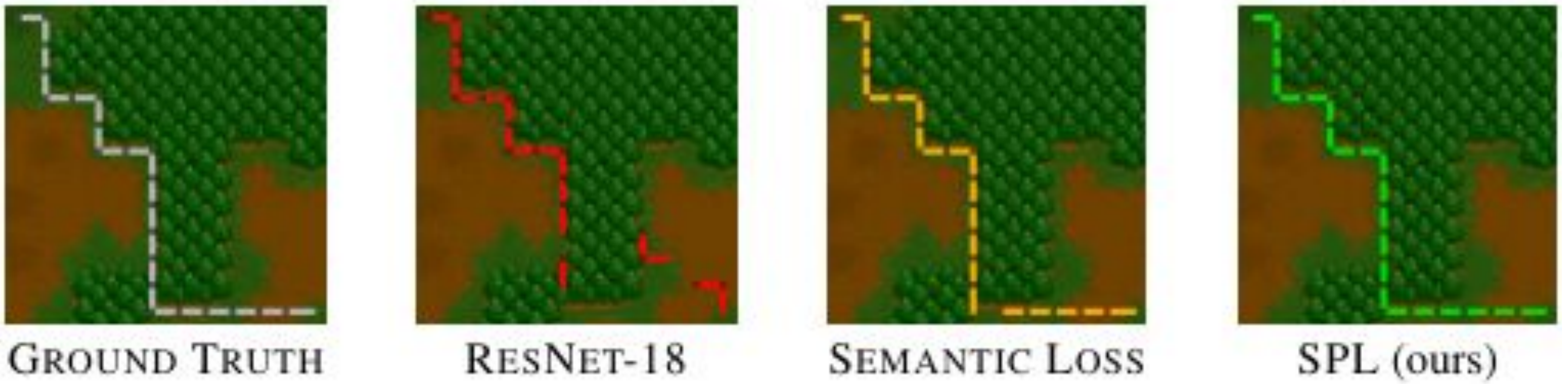

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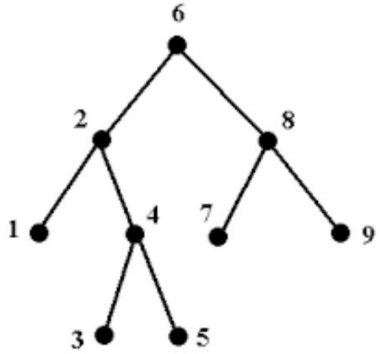

“if the image is classified as a dog, it must also be classified as an animal”

“if the image is classified as an animal, it must be classified as either cat or dog”

DATASET	EXACT MATCH	
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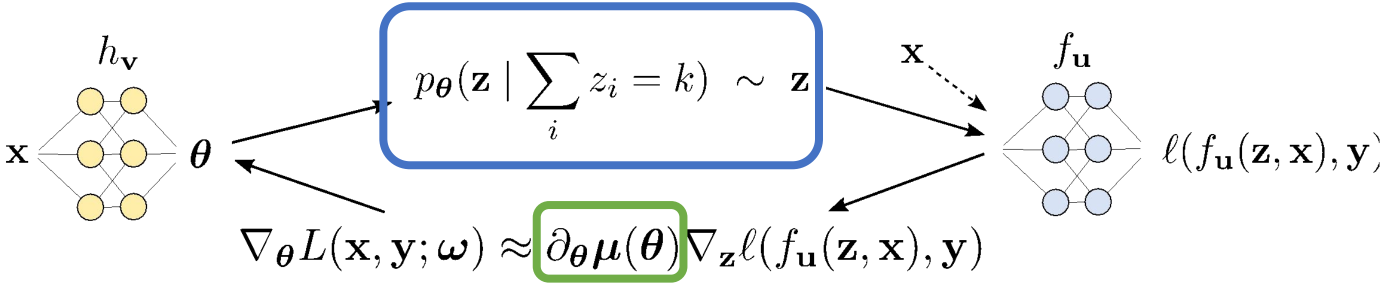
CELLCYCLE	3.05 ± 0.11	$\mathbf{3.79 \pm 0.18}$
DERISI	1.39 ± 0.47	$\mathbf{2.28 \pm 0.23}$
EISEN	5.40 ± 0.15	$\mathbf{6.18 \pm 0.33}$
EXPR	4.20 ± 0.21	$\mathbf{5.54 \pm 0.36}$
GASCH1	3.48 ± 0.96	$\mathbf{4.65 \pm 0.30}$
GASCH2	3.11 ± 0.08	$\mathbf{3.95 \pm 0.28}$
SEQ	5.24 ± 0.27	$\mathbf{7.98 \pm 0.28}$
SPO	$\mathbf{1.97 \pm 0.06}$	1.92 ± 0.11
DIATOMS	48.21 ± 0.57	$\mathbf{58.71 \pm 0.68}$
ENRON	5.97 ± 0.56	$\mathbf{8.18 \pm 0.68}$
IMCLEF07A	79.75 ± 0.38	$\mathbf{86.08 \pm 0.45}$
IMCLEF07D	76.47 ± 0.35	$\mathbf{81.06 \pm 0.68}$

SIMPLE: Gradient Estimator for *k*-Subset Sampling



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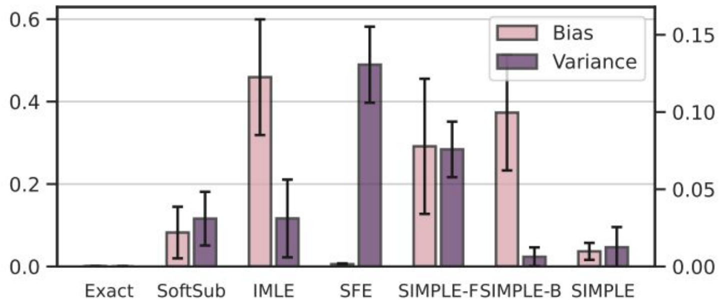

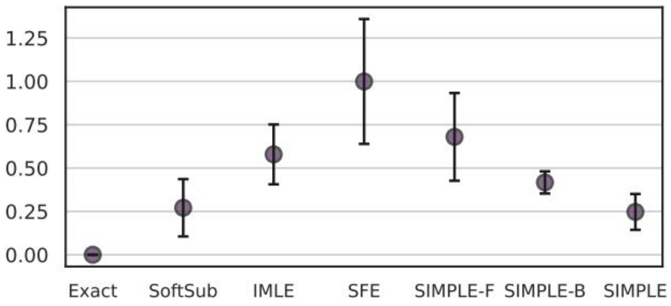

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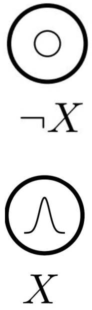

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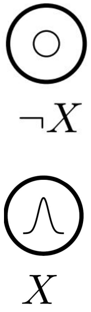

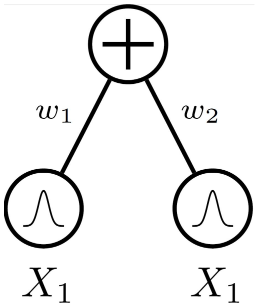

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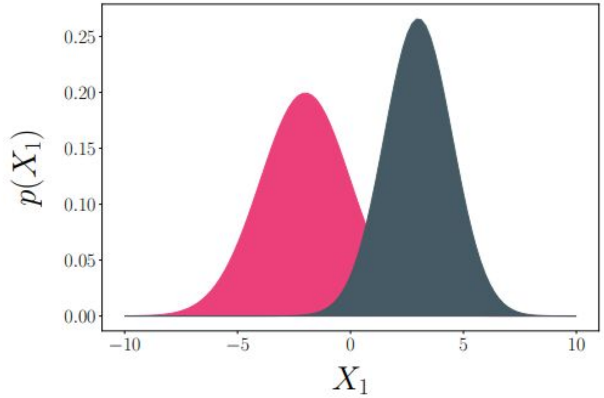

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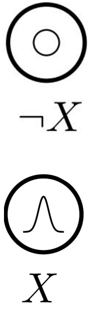

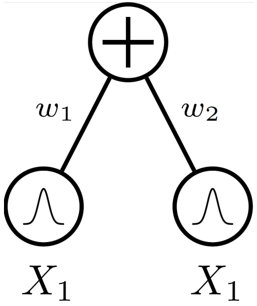

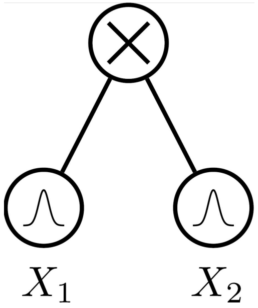

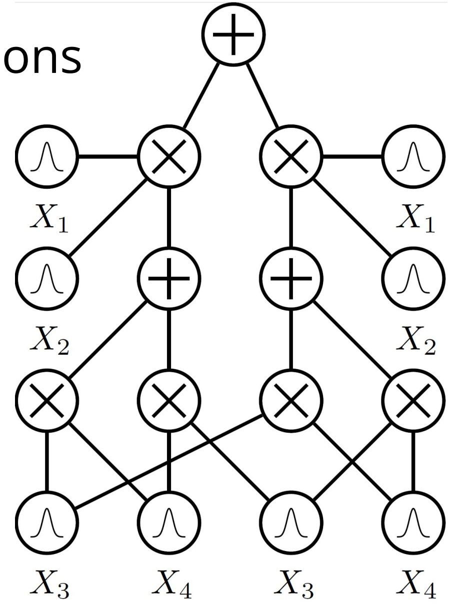

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$\Rightarrow$ *factorizations*

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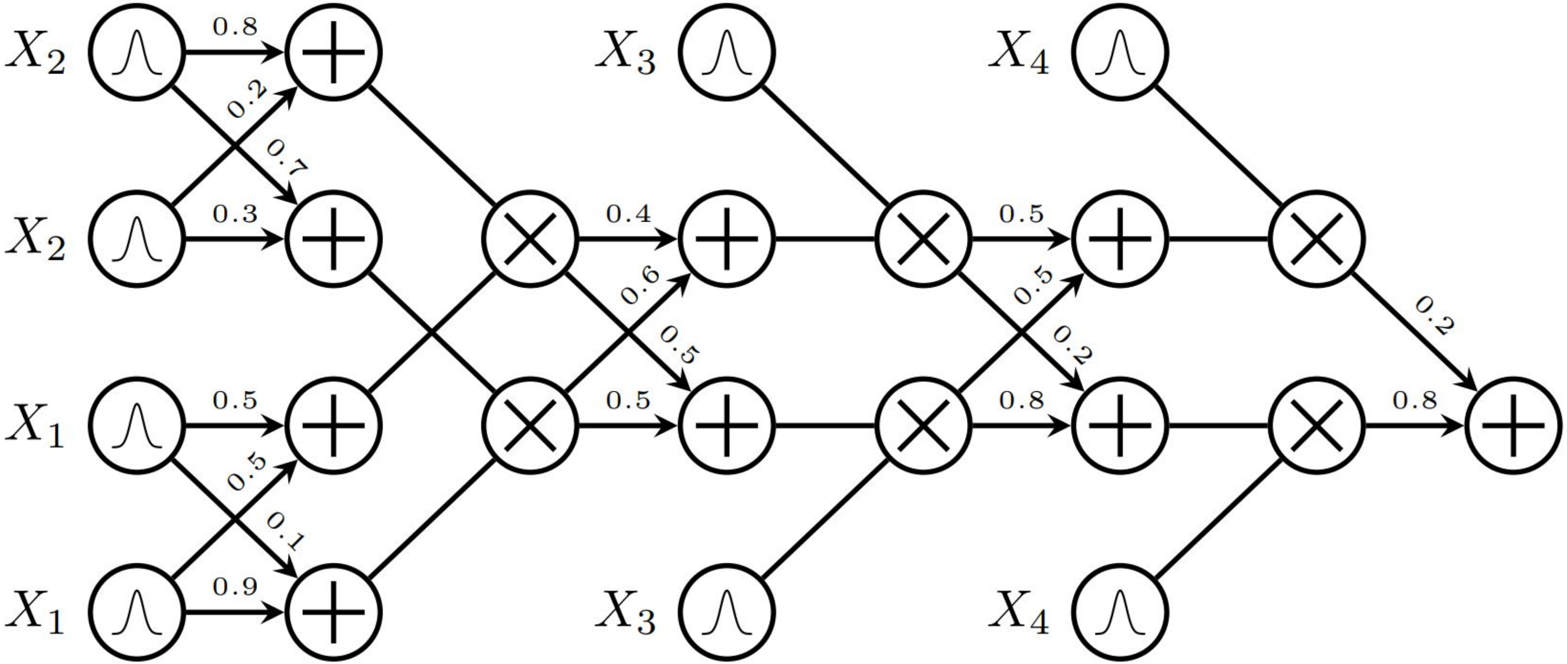

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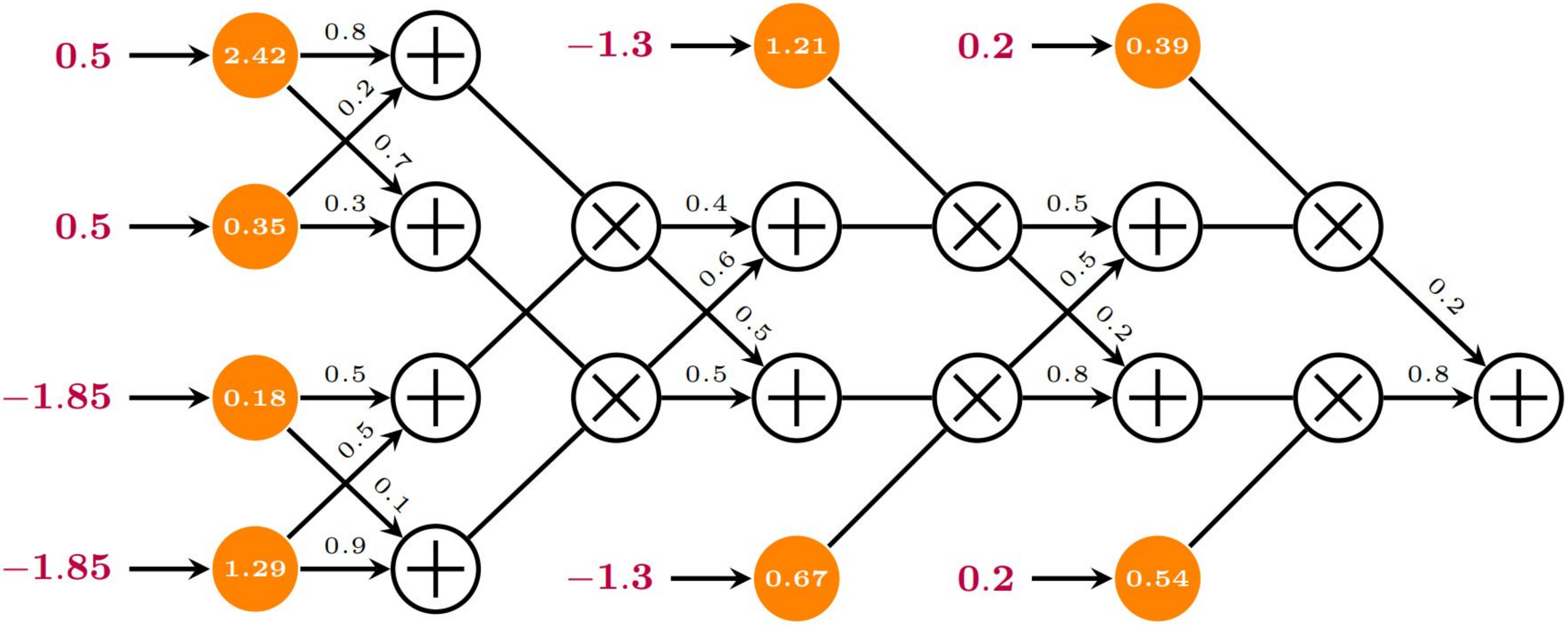

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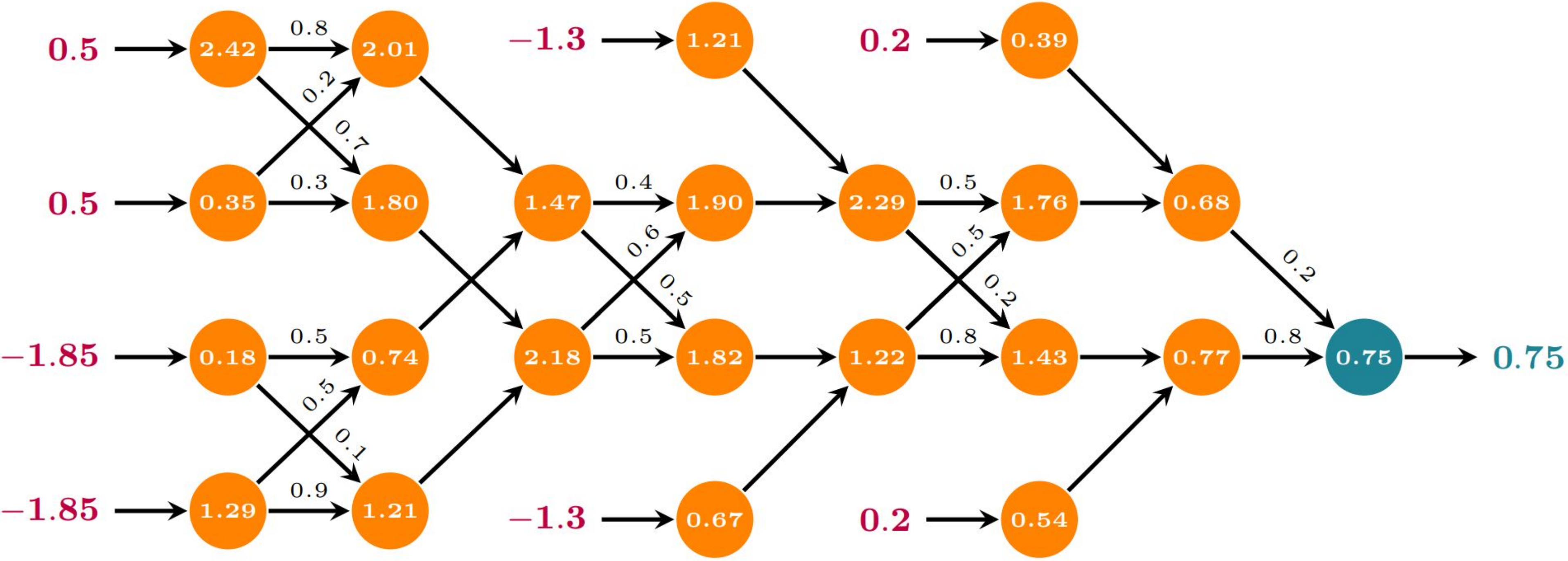

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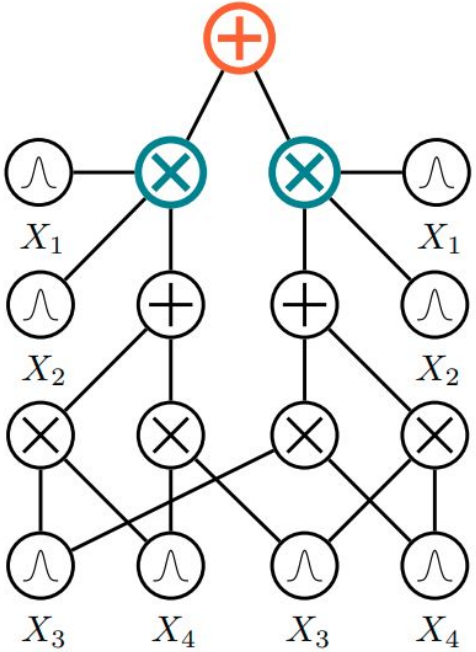
$\Rightarrow$ *integrals are "pushed down" to children*



[Darwiche & Marquis JAIR 2001, Poon & Domingos UAI11]

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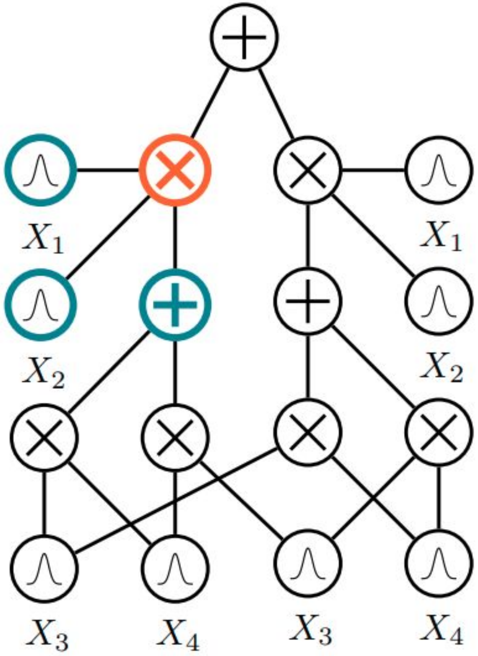
$\Longrightarrow$ *integrals decompose into easier ones*



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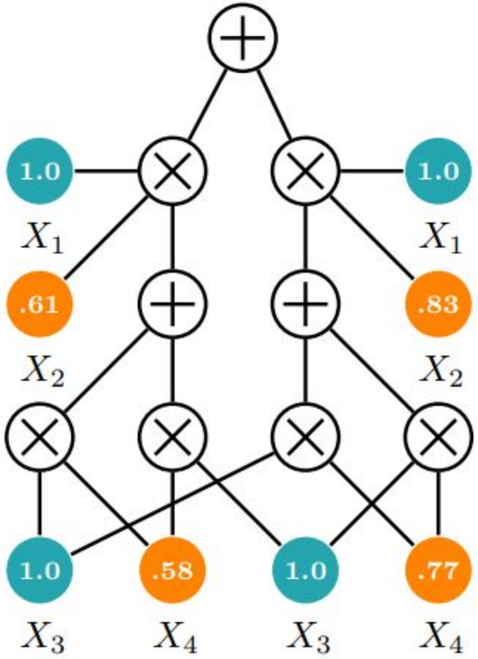

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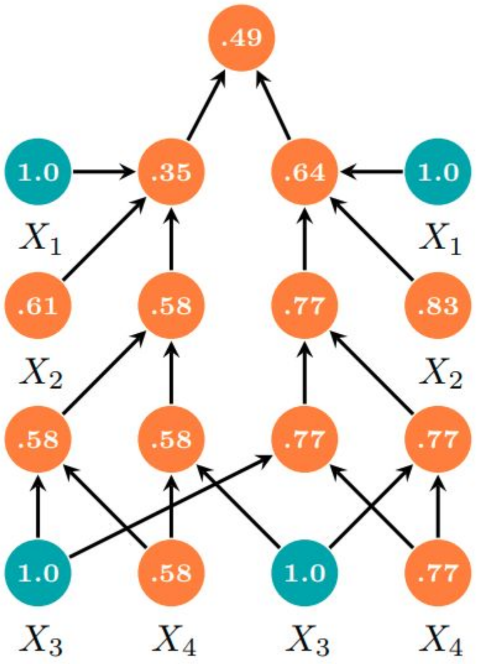

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	Discrete Flow	Hierarchical VAE	PixelVAE
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	Flow	Hierarchical VAE	Diffusion
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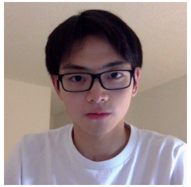

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