

ON BAYESIAN NETWORK INFERENCE WITH SIMPLE PROPAGATION

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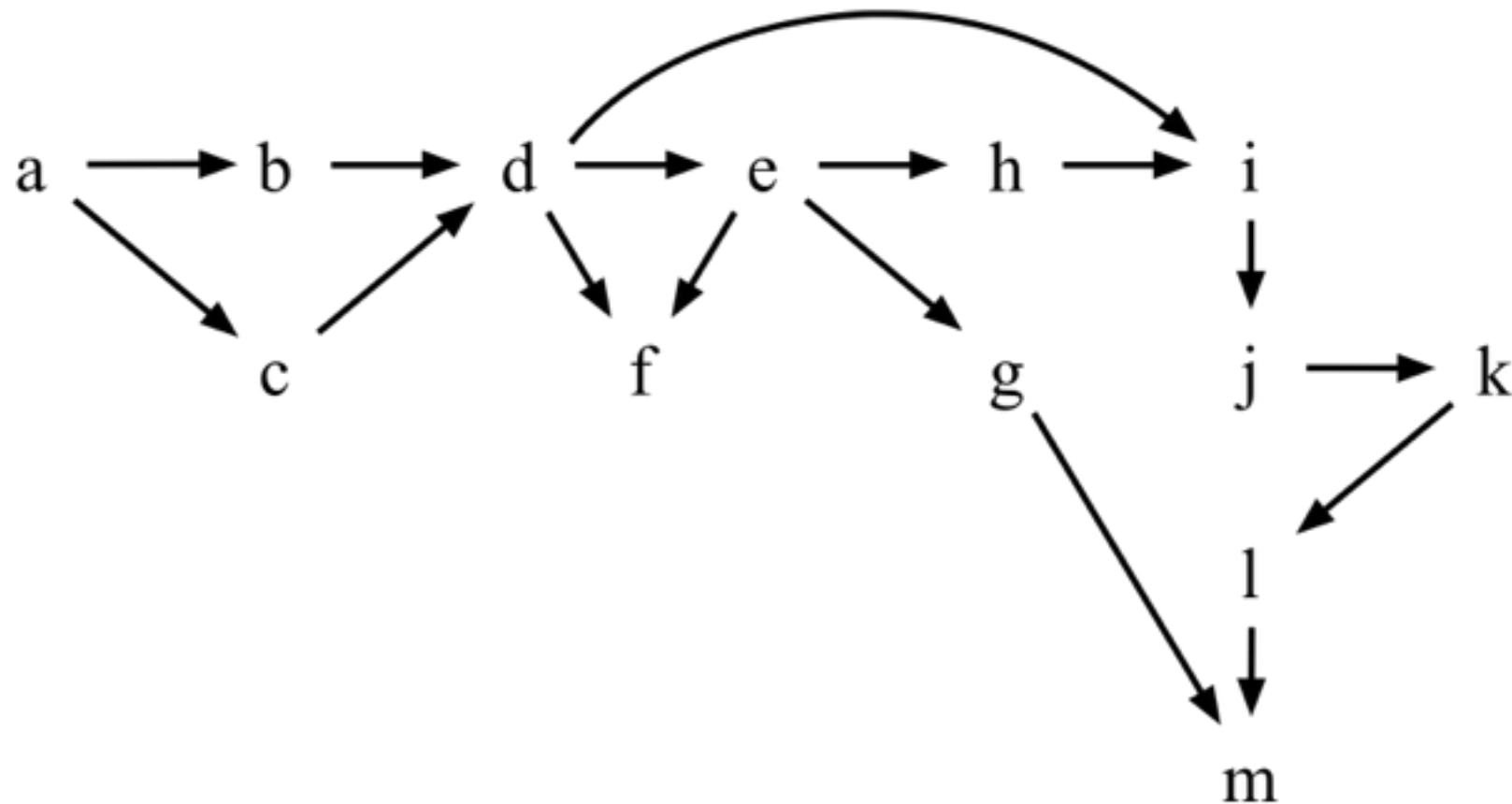
BAYESIAN NETWORKS

A Bayesian Network (BN) consists of:

- a directed acyclic graph (DAG)
- a matching set of conditional probability tables (CPTs)

The product of the CPTs is a joint probability distribution (JPD) $P(U)$

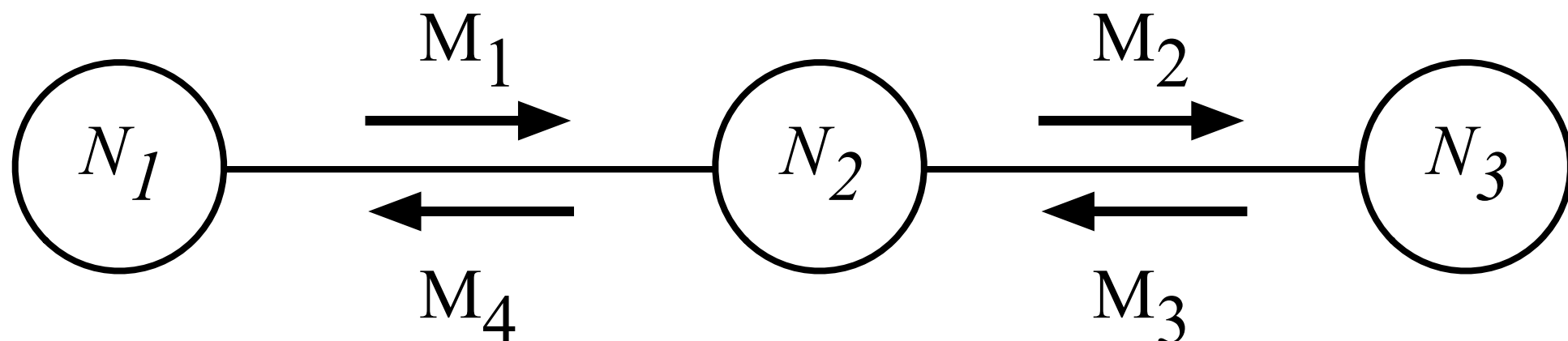
BAYESIAN NETWORK EXAMPLE



$$P(U) = P(a) \cdot P(b|a) \cdot P(c|a) \cdot P(d|b,c) \cdot \dots \cdot P(m|g,l)$$

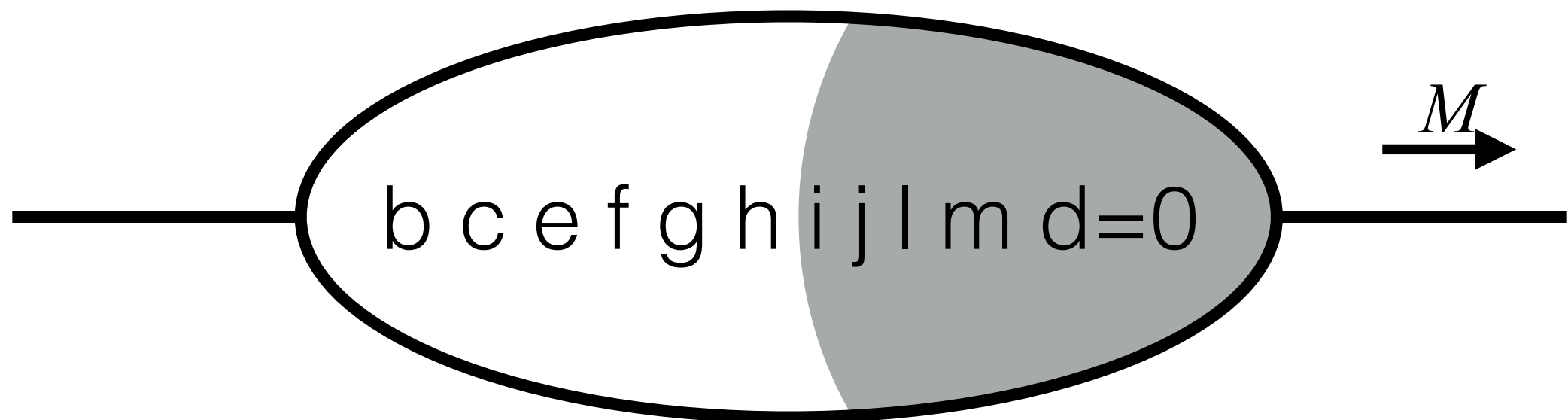
LAZY PROPAGATION

- Madsen and Jensen (AIJ 1999)
- BN variables are clustered into nodes
- Nodes are organized as a join tree
- Each BN CPT is assigned to a join tree node
- Messages are propagated systematically



MESSAGE CONSTRUCTION

$$message = \sum_{N-N'} Factorization\ at\ N$$

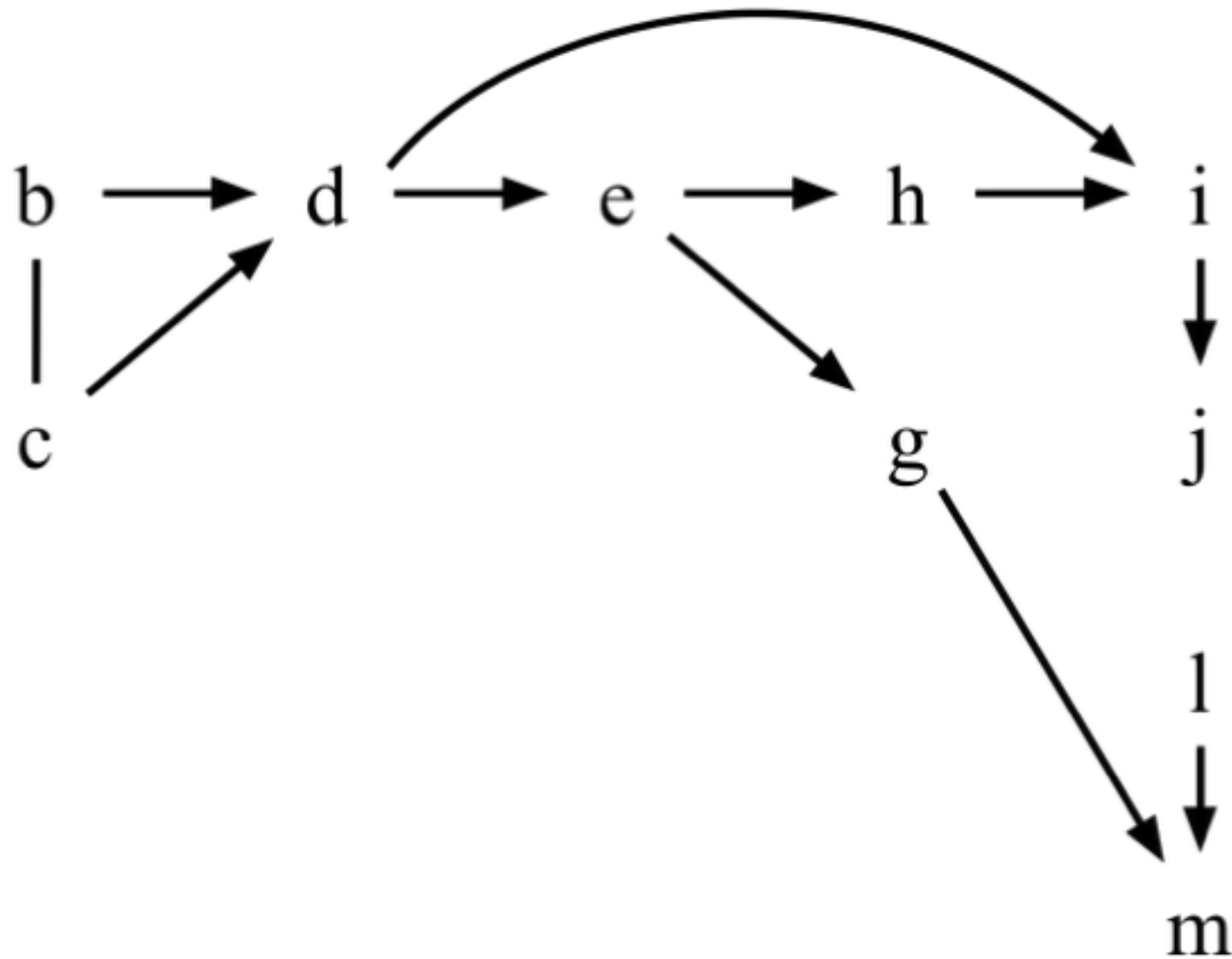


$$M = \sum_{b,c,e,f,g,h} P(b,c) \cdot P(d=0|b,c) \cdot P(e|d=0) \cdot P(f|d=0,e) \\ \cdot P(g|e) \cdot P(h|e) \cdot P(i|d=0,h) \cdot P(j|i) \cdot P(m|g,l)$$

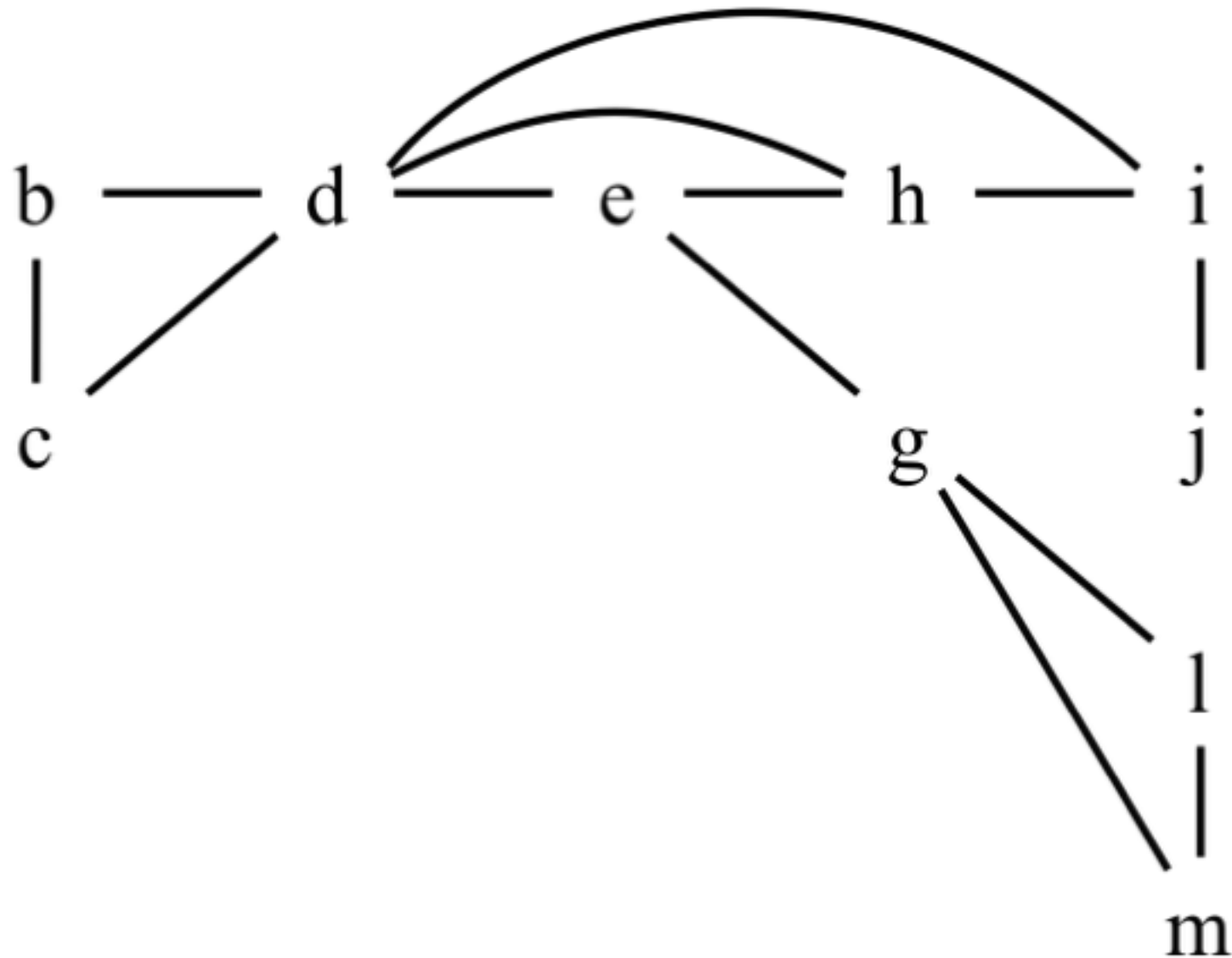
DETECTING IRRELEVANT POTENTIALS

- LP constructs:
 - the domain graph G_1 of the factorization
 - the moralization G_1^m of G_1
- LP tests whether the evidence separates the variables to be marginalized from the separator
- if separated, the potential is irrelevant

BUILD DOMAIN GRAPH G_1

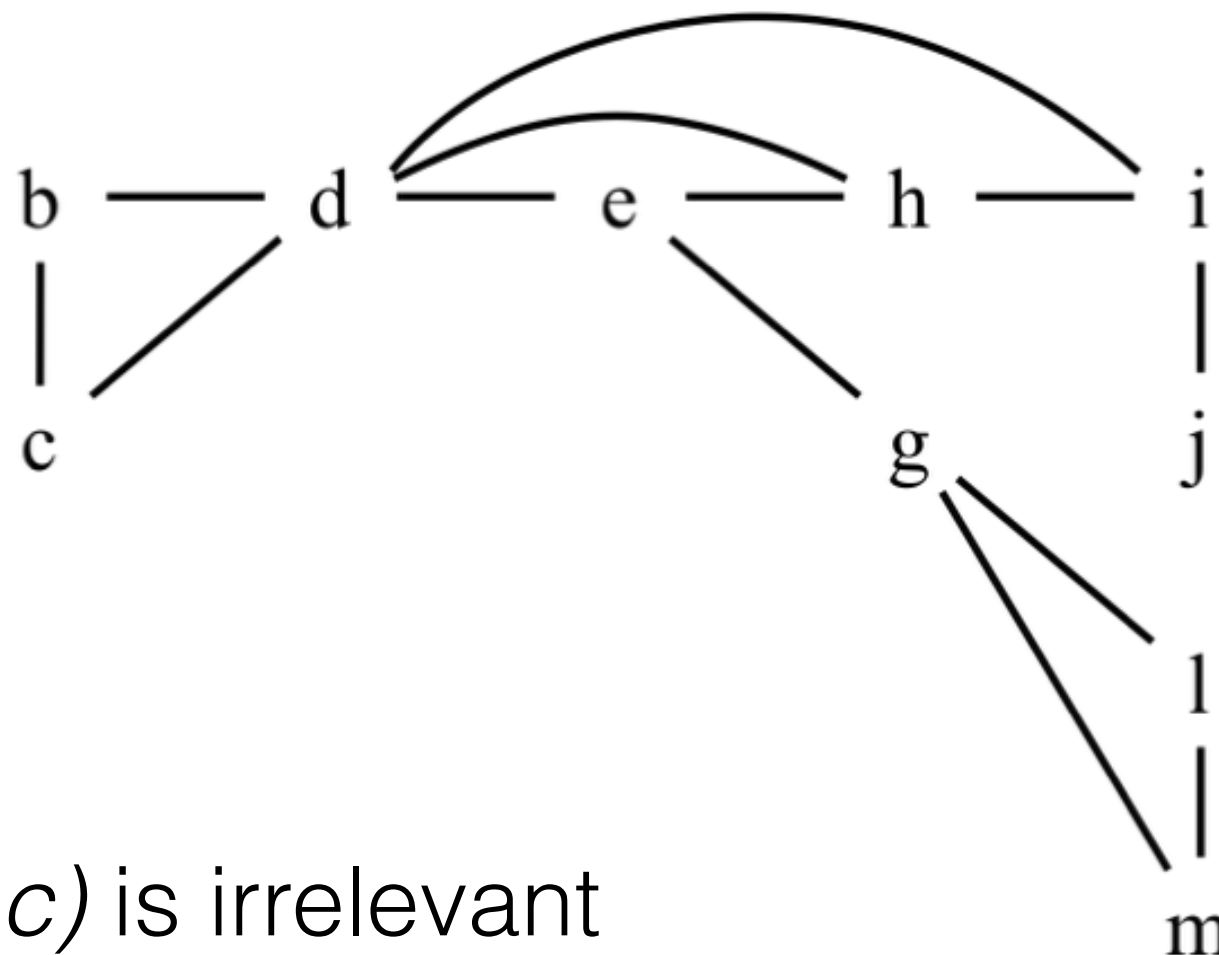


BUILD MORALIZATION GRAPH G_1^m



TEST INDEPENDENCE FOR EACH POTENTIAL

- For $P(b,c)$, test whether evidence d separates b and c from the separator $S = \{i,j,l,m\}$

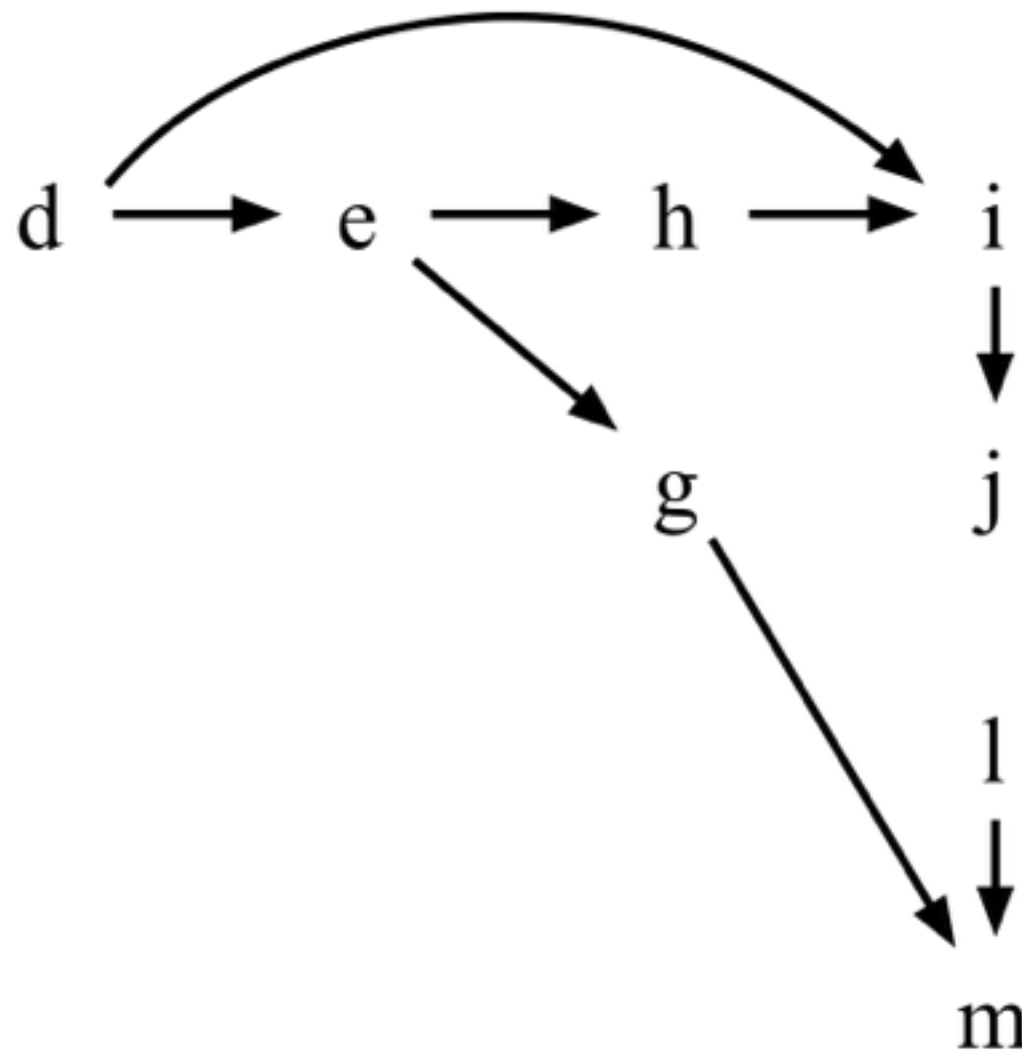


- Thus, $P(b,c)$ is irrelevant

DETERMINING ELIMINATION ORDERINGS

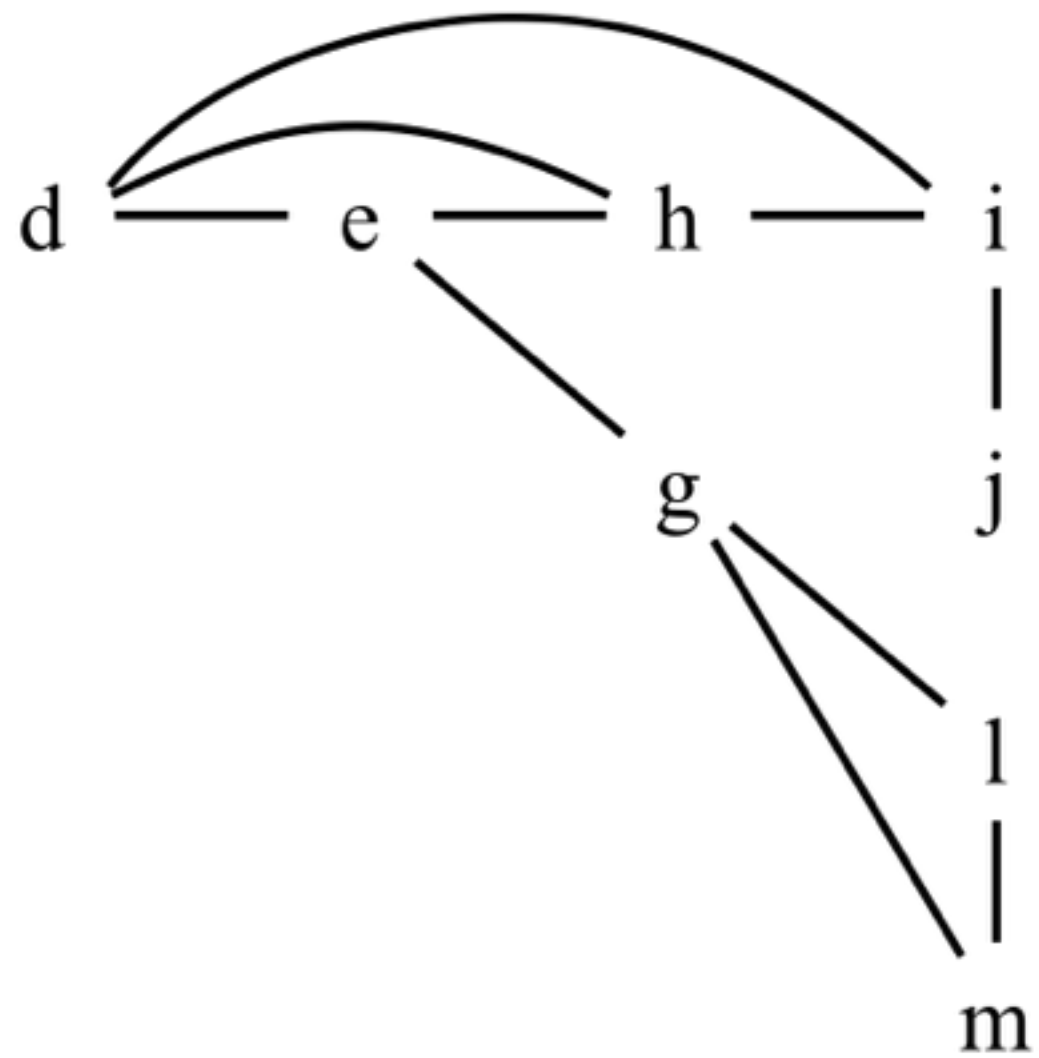
- LP constructs:
 - the domain graph G_2 of the relevant potentials
 - the moralization G_2^m of G_2
- obtain an elimination ordering from G_2^m

BUILD DOMAIN GRAPH G_2

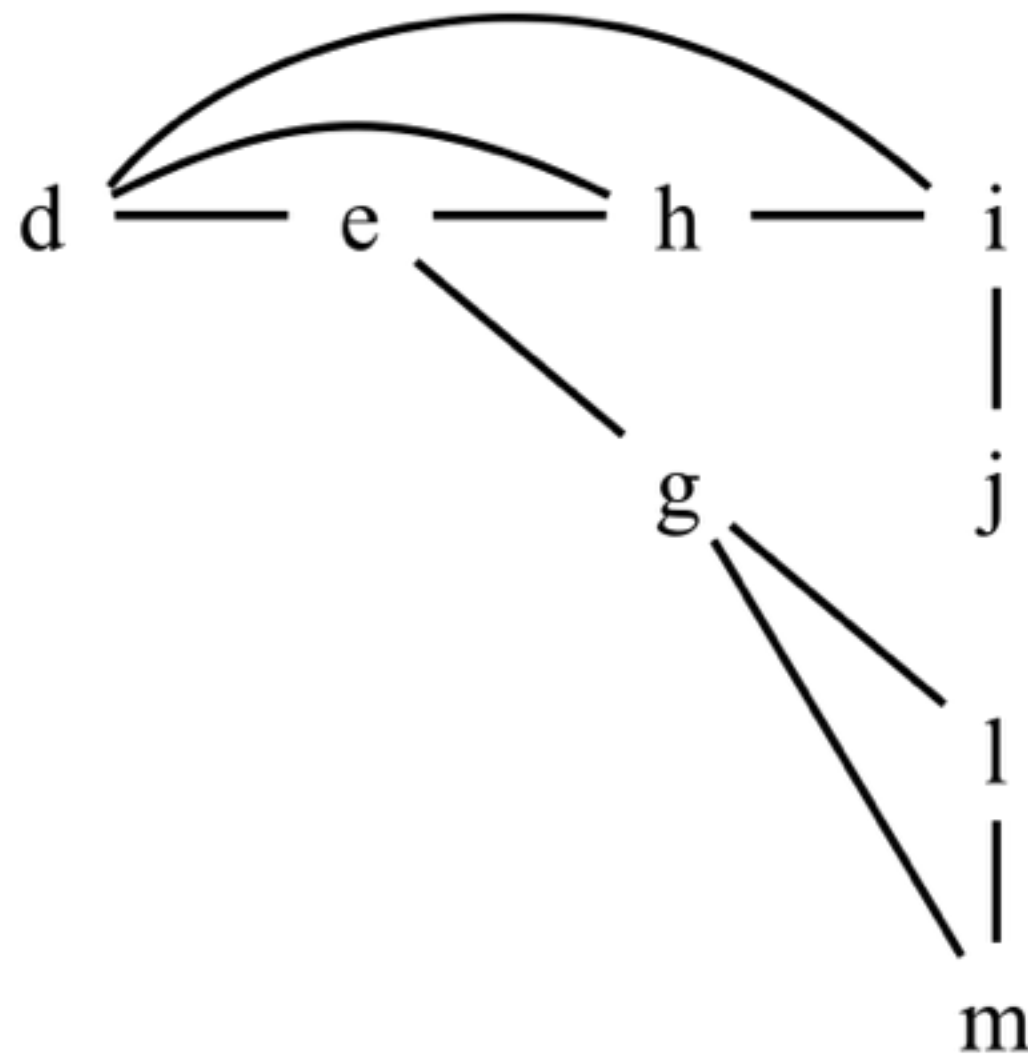


$$\mathcal{F} = \{P(e|d = 0), P(g|e), P(h|e), P(i|d = 0, h), P(j|i), P(m|g, l)\}$$

BUILD MORALIZATION GRAPH G_2^m



FIND ELIMINATION ORDERING



- elimination ordering: g, e, h

NOW LP CAN BUILD THE MESSAGE

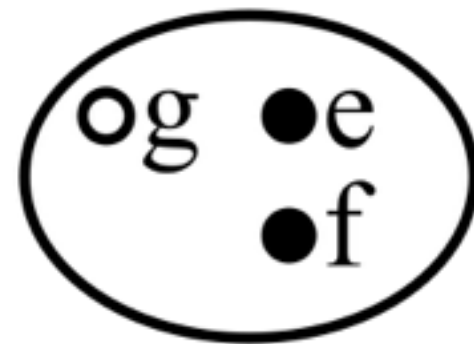
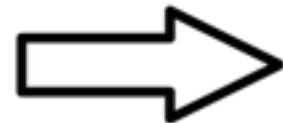
$$\begin{aligned} M &= \sum_{e,g,h} P(e|d=0) \cdot P(g|e) \cdot P(h|e) \cdot P(i|d=0, h) \cdot P(j|i) \cdot P(m|g, l) \\ &= P(j|i) \cdot \sum_h P(i|d=0, h) \cdot \sum_e P(e|d=0) \cdot P(h|e) \cdot \sum_g P(g|e) \cdot P(m|g, l) \\ &= P(j|i) \cdot P(i, m|d=0, l) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

SIMPLE PROPAGATION

DARWINIAN NETWORKS

- Simple Propagation arose from our work on Darwinian Networks (AI 2015)
- clever way to view CPTS

$$P(g|e, f)$$



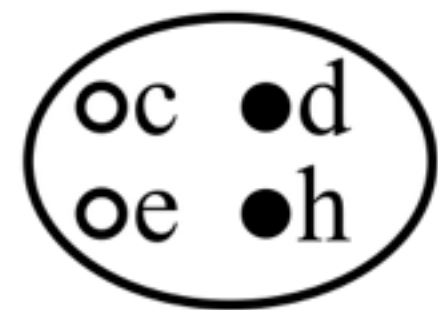
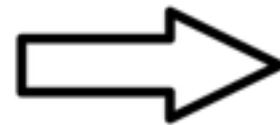
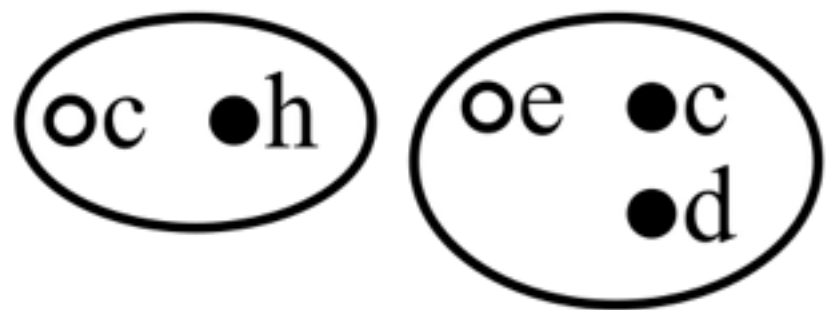
MULTIPLICATION IS MERGE

○ white + ● black = ○ white

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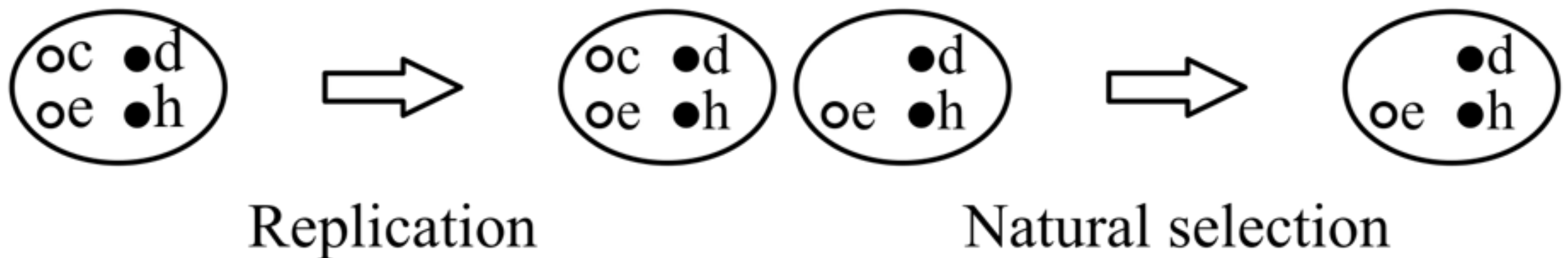
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$$P(c|h) \cdot P(e|c, d) = P(c, e|d, h)$$

MARGINALIZATION IS REPLICATION AND NATURAL SELECTION

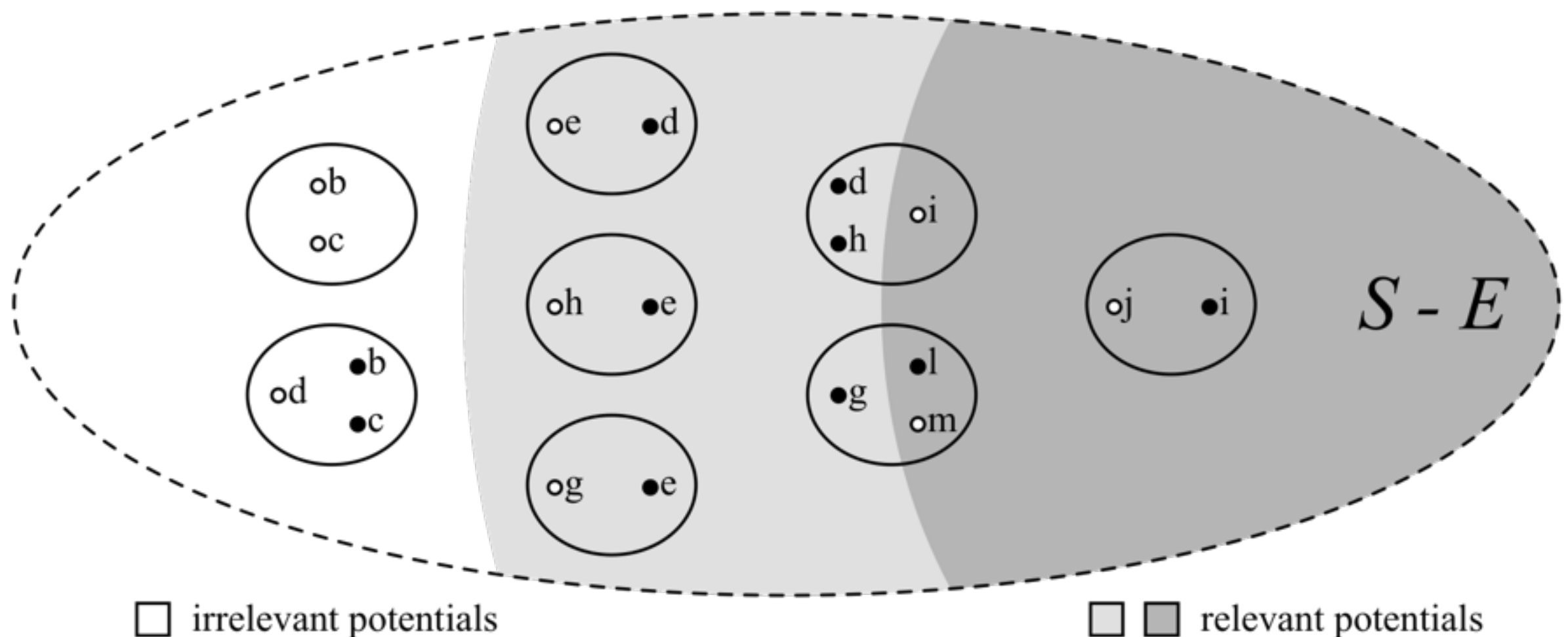


$$\sum_c P(c, e|d, h) = P(e|d, h)$$

SIMPLE PROPAGATION

SP only uses the **“one in, one out”** property:

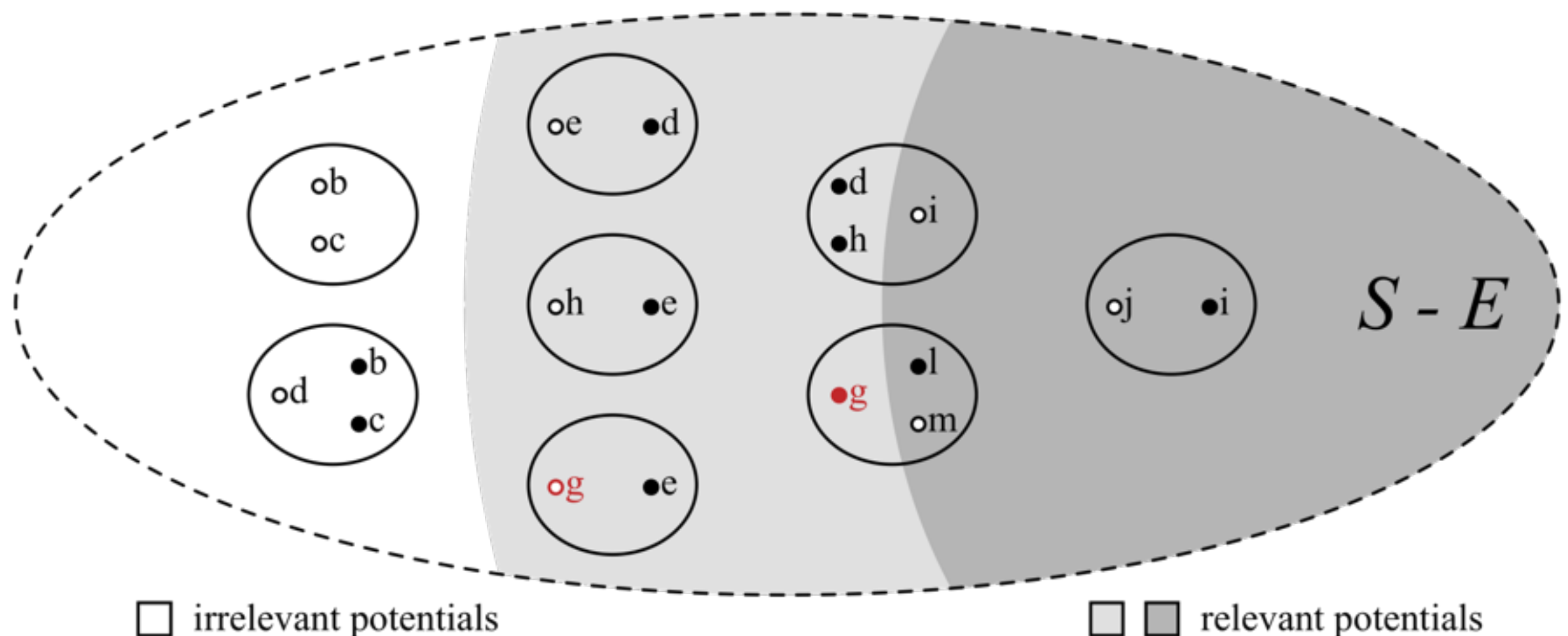
a potential with one non-evidence variable in the separator
and another not in the separator



SIMPLE PROPAGATION

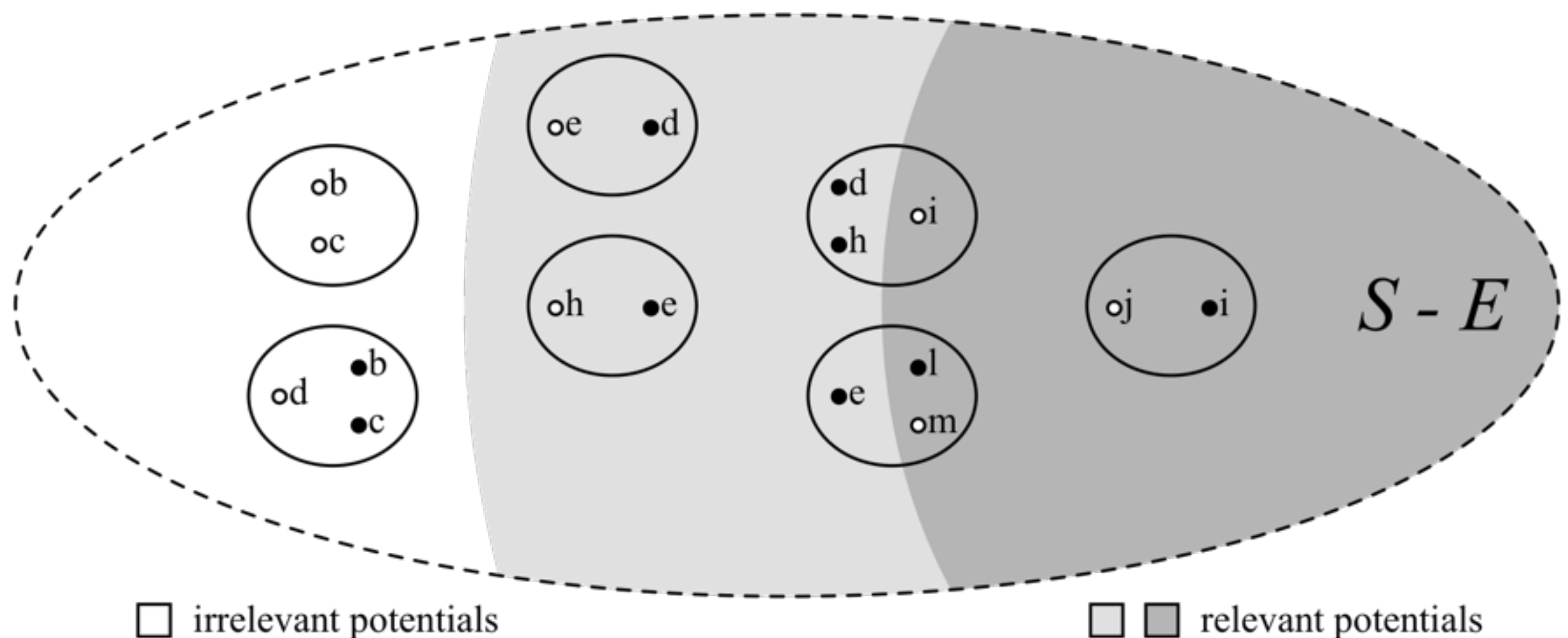
Evidence is $d = 0$

Variable ***g*** is outside of S and variables l and m are in S



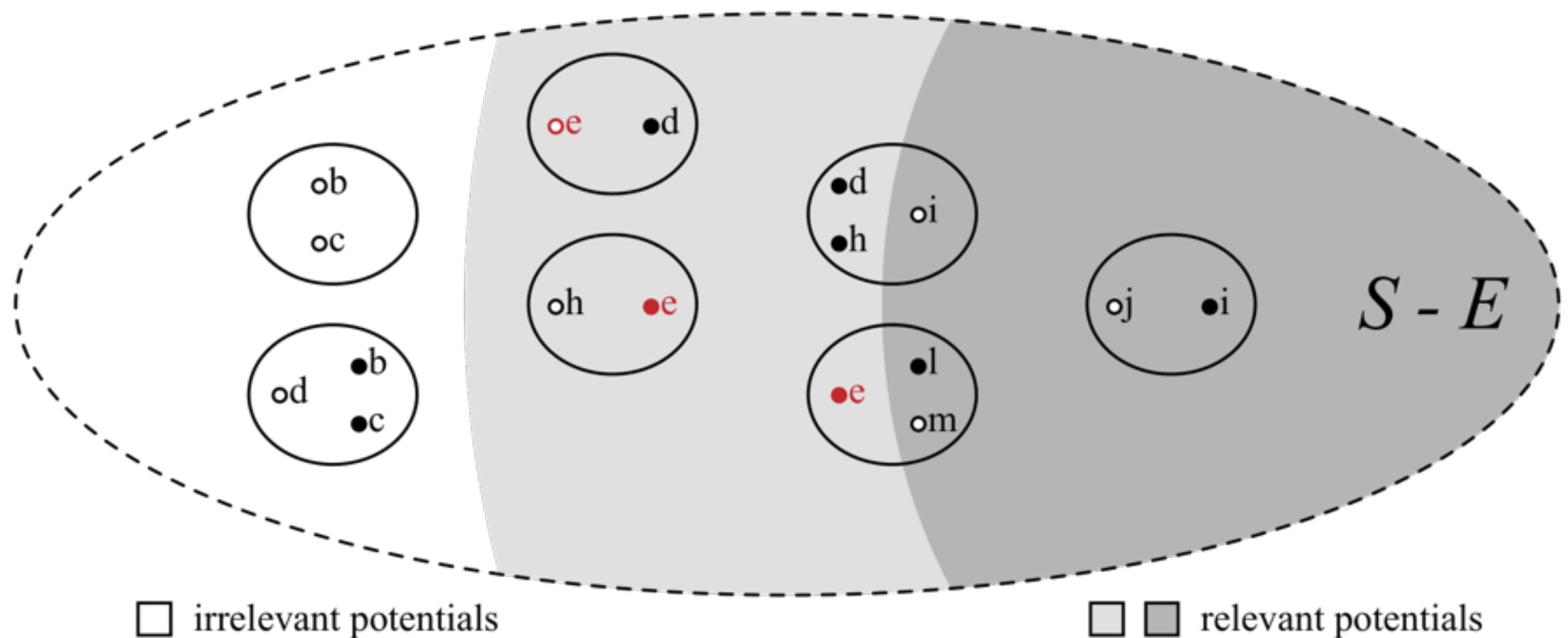
SIMPLE PROPAGATION

Eliminating variable g yields population $p(m|e, l)$



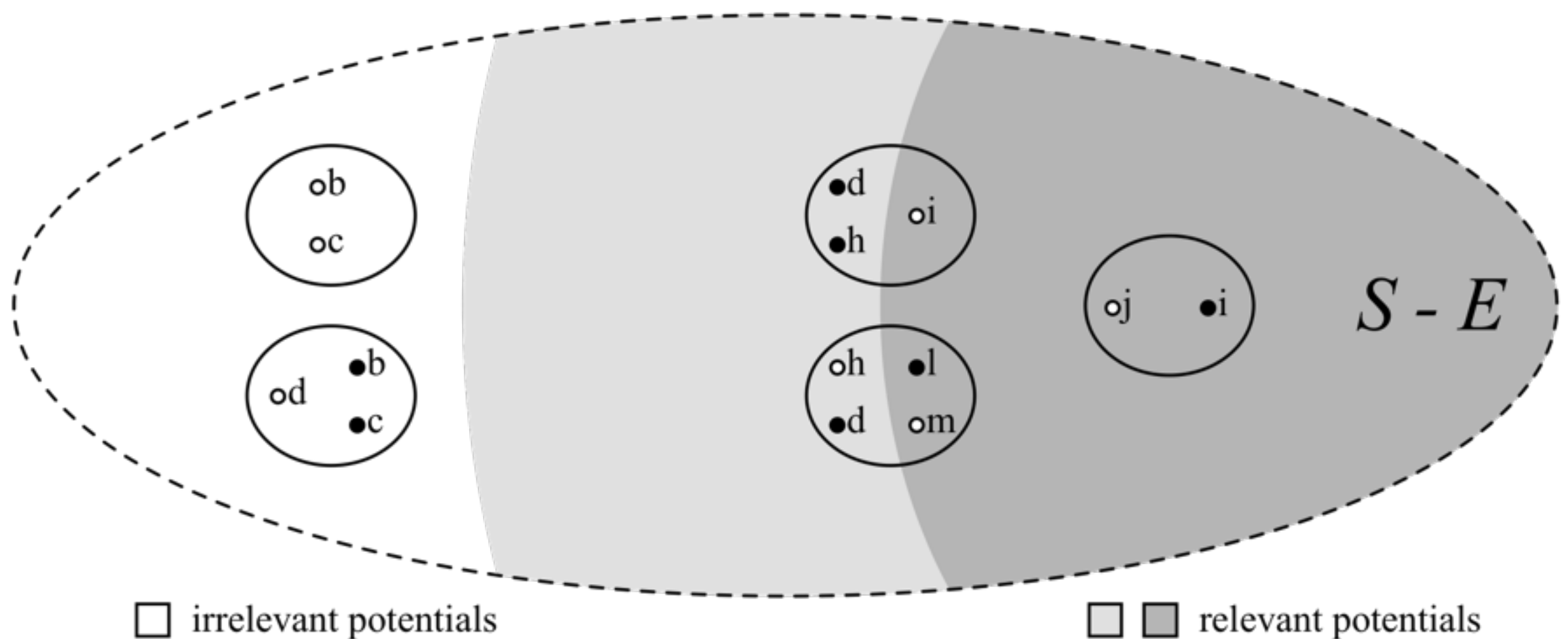
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Now, variable **e** is **out**



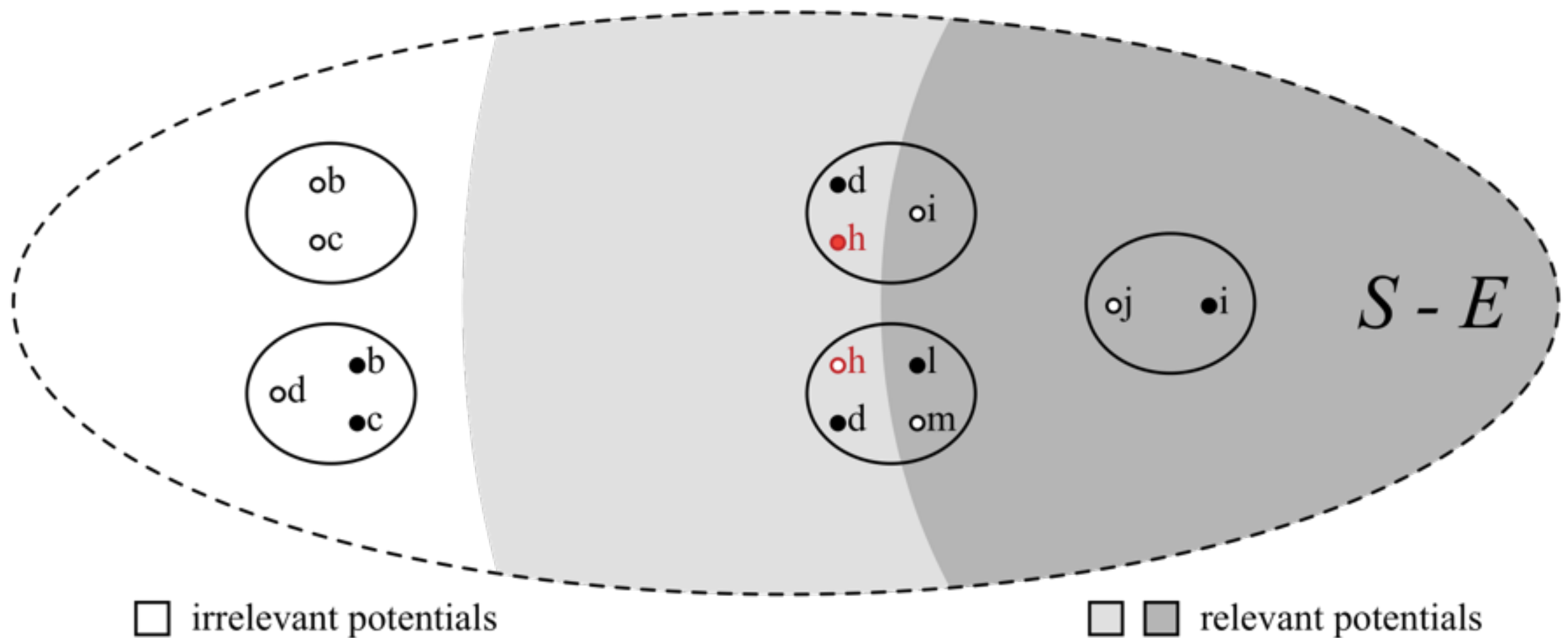
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Eliminating variable e yields $p(h, m | d = 0, l)$



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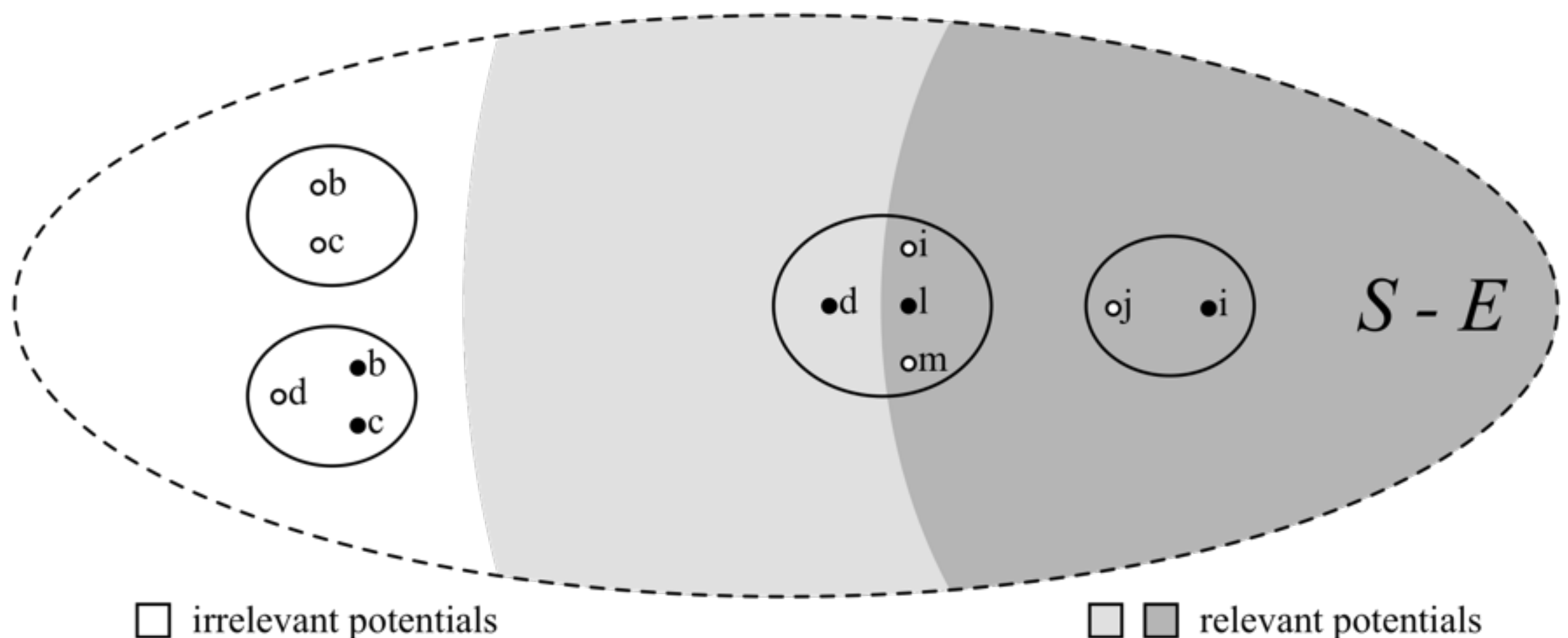
Finally, variable ***h*** is **out**



SIMPLE PROPAGATION

Eliminating variable h yields population $p(i, m|d = 0, l)$

$$P(j|i) \cdot P(i, m|d = 0, l) \quad (1)$$

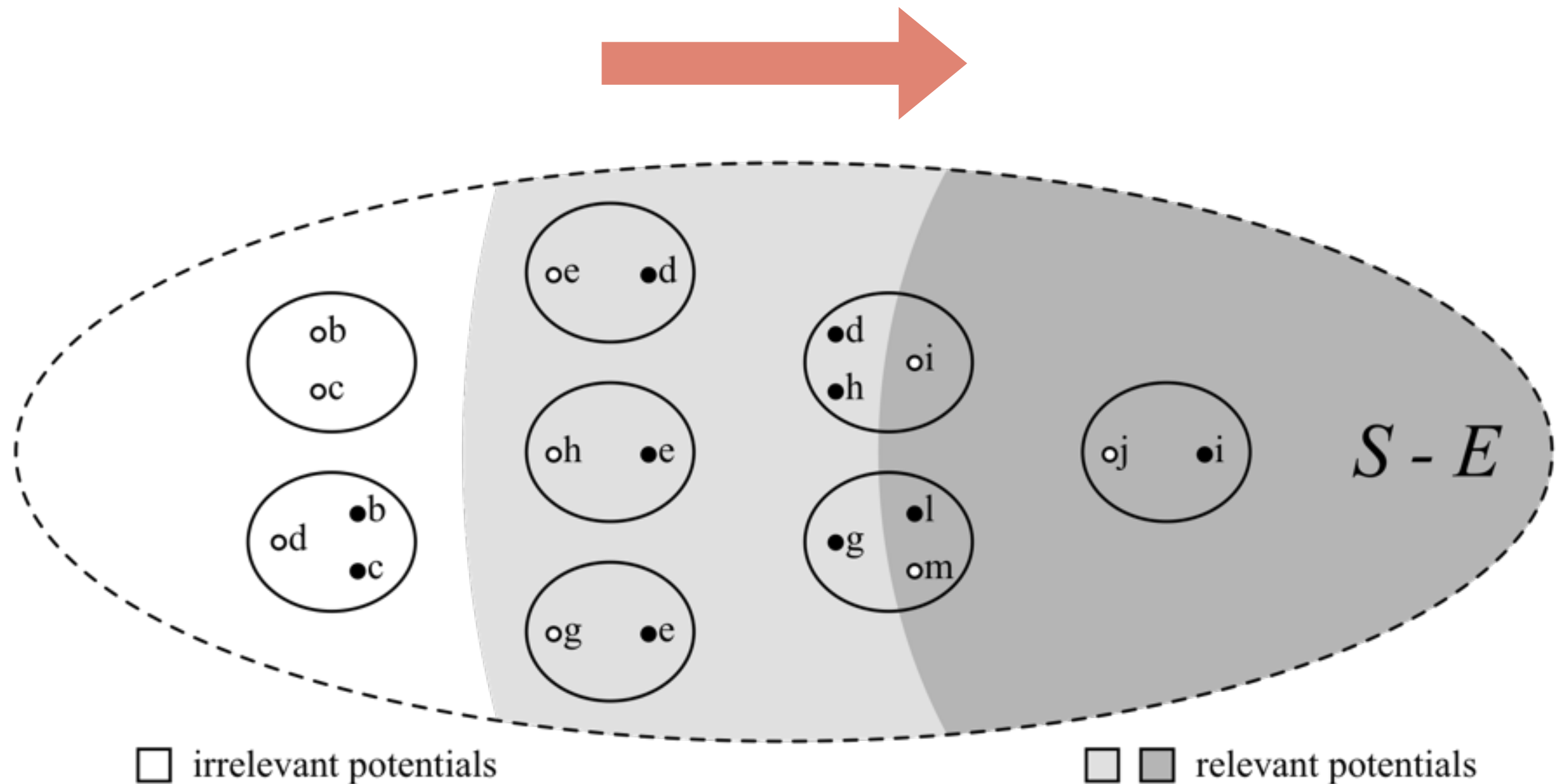


| BN | Vars | LP | SP | Saving |
|------------|------|------|------|--------|
| Water | 32 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 17% |
| Oow | 33 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 14% |
| Oow_Bas | 33 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 25% |
| Mildew | 35 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 20% |
| Oow_Solo | 40 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 14% |
| Hkv2005 | 44 | 0.23 | 0.27 | -17% |
| Barley | 48 | 0.09 | 0.1 | -11% |
| Kk | 50 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0% |
| Ship | 50 | 0.16 | 0.17 | -6% |
| Hailfinder | 56 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0% |
| Medianus | 56 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 25% |
| 3Nt | 58 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 50% |
| Hepar_li | 70 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0% |
| Win95Pts | 76 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0% |
| System_V57 | 85 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 17% |
| Fwe_Model8 | 109 | 0.14 | 0.15 | -7% |
| Pathfinder | 109 | 0.12 | 0.11 | 8% |
| Adapt_T1 | 133 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0% |
| Cc145 | 145 | 0.1 | 0.08 | 20% |
| Munin1 | 189 | 0.54 | 0.75 | -39% |
| Andes | 223 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 13% |
| Cc245 | 245 | 0.2 | 0.18 | 10% |
| Diabetes | 413 | 0.34 | 0.31 | 9% |
| Adapt_T2 | 671 | 0.24 | 0.22 | 8% |
| Amirali | 681 | 0.45 | 0.41 | 9% |
| Munin2 | 1003 | 0.49 | 0.45 | 8% |
| Munin4 | 1041 | 0.61 | 0.57 | 7% |
| Munin3 | 1044 | 0.66 | 0.64 | 3% |

- Experiments conducted on optimal JTs built from real-world and benchmark BNs
- SP was faster in 18/28
- SP tied LP in 5/28
- LP was faster in 5/28

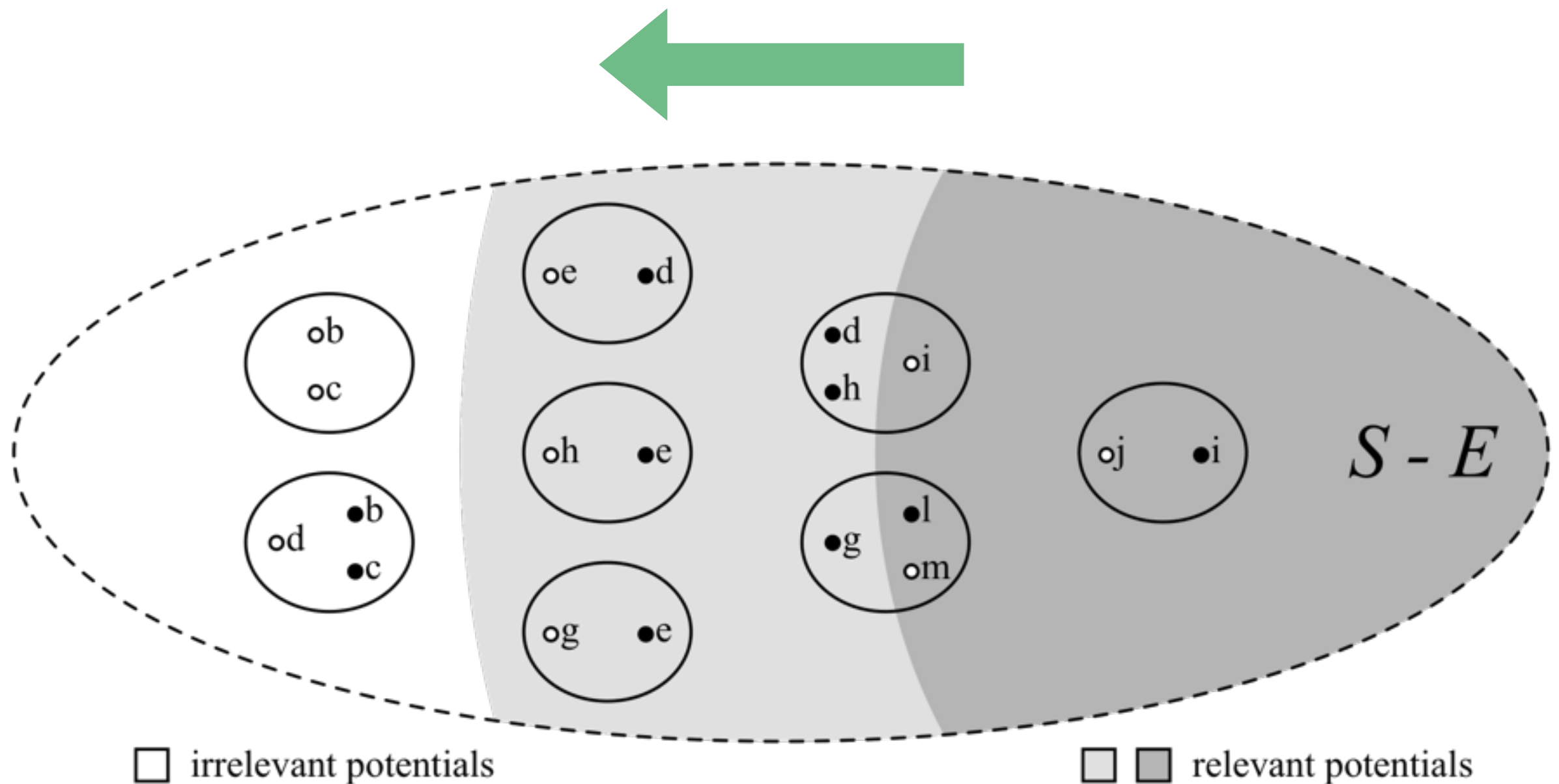
LP ANALYSIS

- Left-to-Right viewpoint



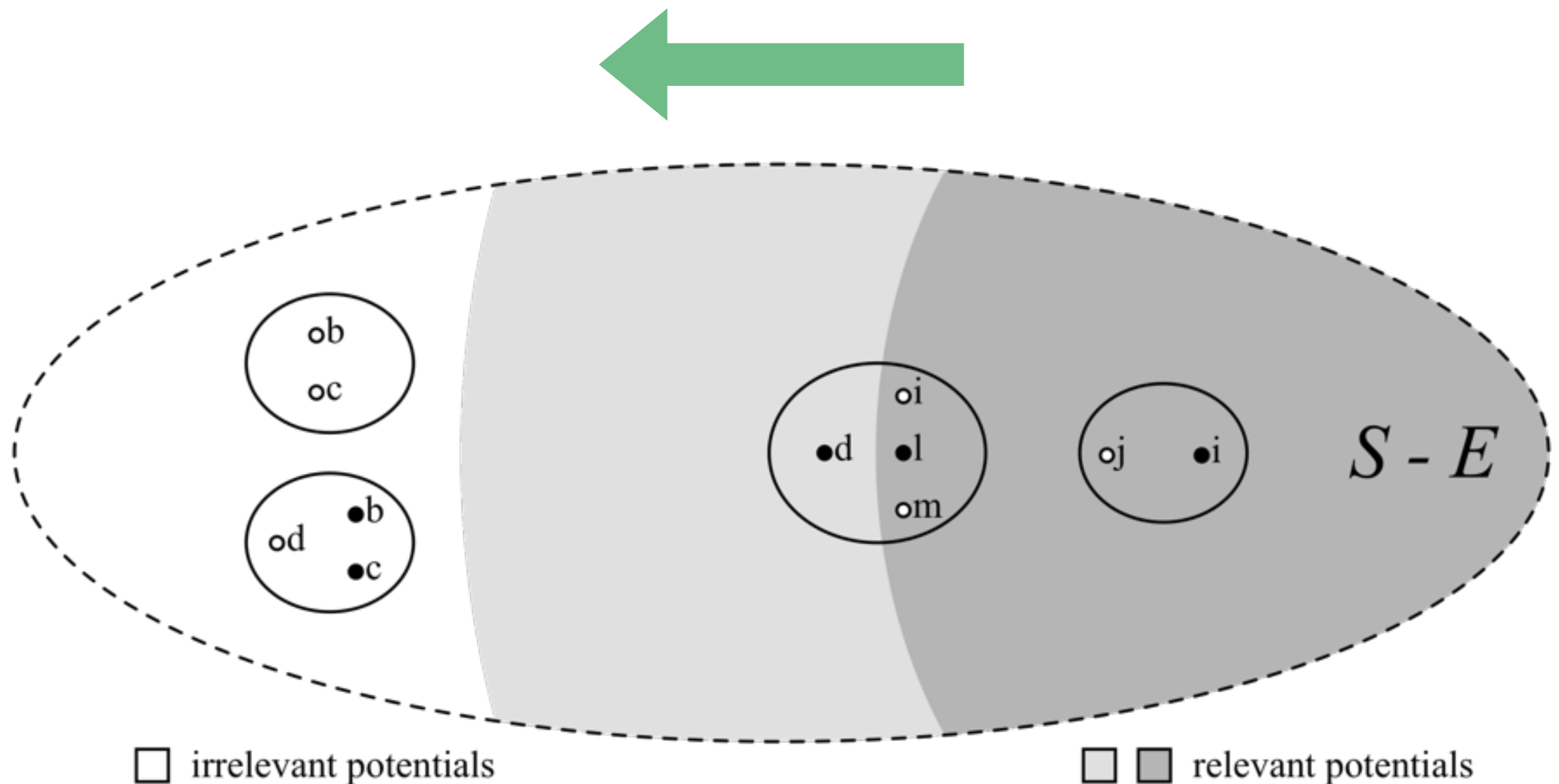
SP ANALYSIS

- Right-to-Left viewpoint



SP ANALYSIS

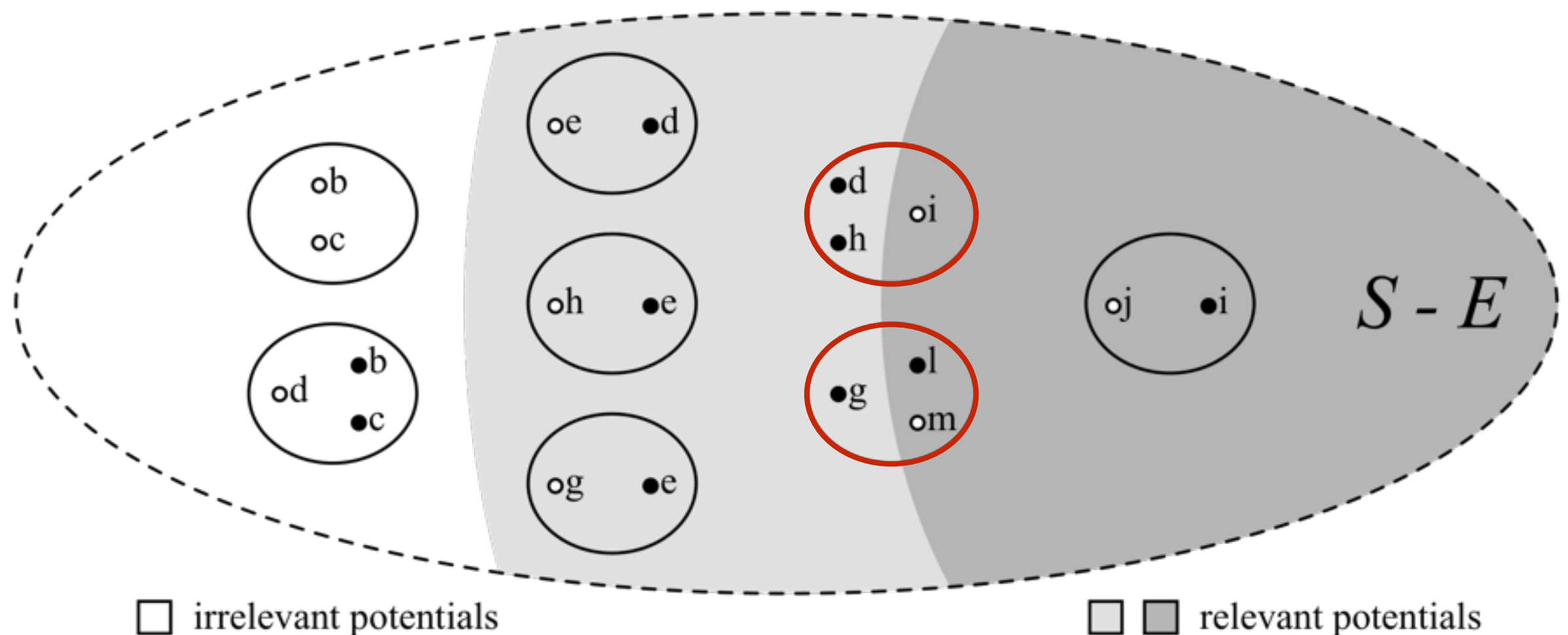
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EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

SP HEURISTICS

- SP is a new BN inference algorithm
- There may be more than one potential satisfying the **“one in, one out”** property



SP HEURISTICS

- Increasing variables in X (Inc X)
- Decreasing variables in X (Dec X)
- Increasing variables of X in S (Inc in S)
- Decreasing variables of X in S (Dec in S)
- Increasing variables in X size (Inc X Size)
- Decreasing variables in X size (Dec X Size)
- Increasing variables of X in S size (Inc in S Size)
- Decreasing variables of X in S size (Dec in S Size).

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ANALYSIS

- Our experimental results suggest that SP does not require elimination orderings, provided that an optimal (or close to) join tree is built from the real-world BNs
- It is possible that elimination orderings are needed for larger BNs or when non-optimal join trees are used, since SP's performance degrades dramatically when applied on non-optimal join trees (Madsen et al., 2016 Canadian AI)

CONCLUSION

- SP is a new BN inference algorithm
- **“one in, one out”** property
- SP is faster than LP in optimal join trees
- Our heuristics were slower than choosing potentials arbitrarily