

# Modeling Structure with Undirected Neural Networks

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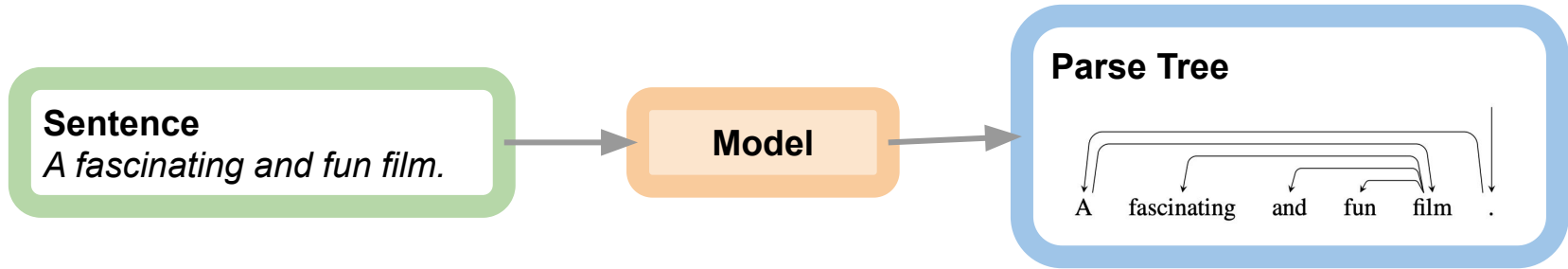


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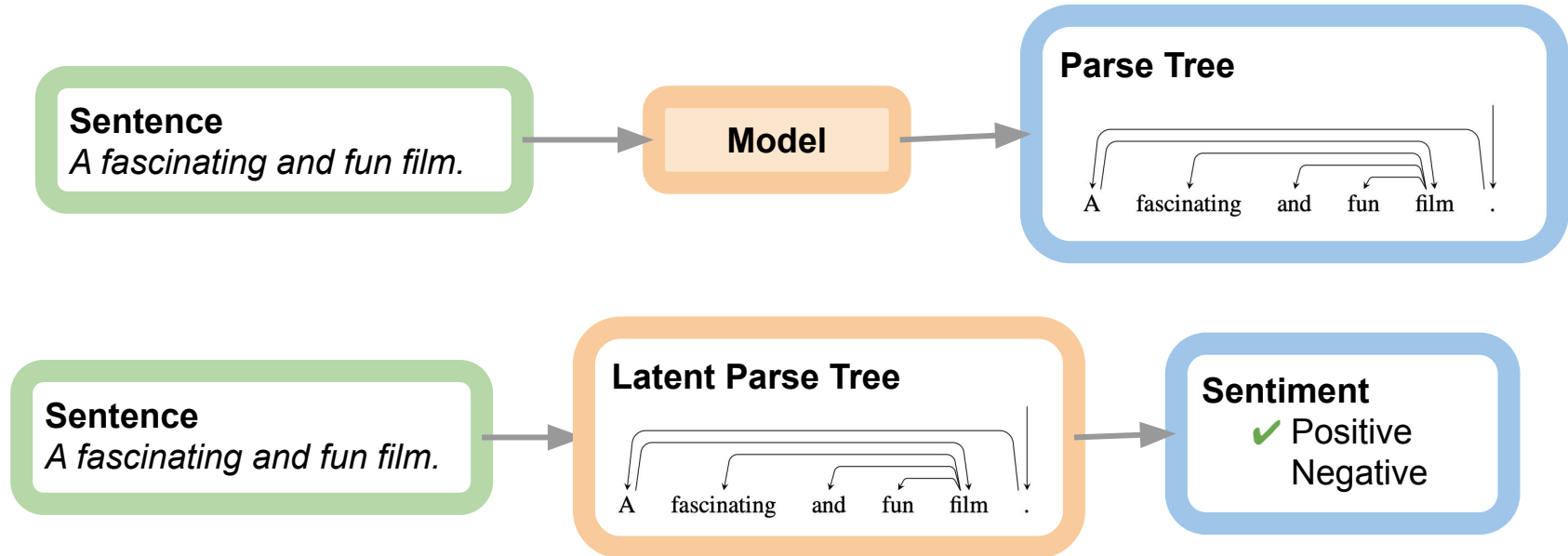


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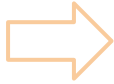
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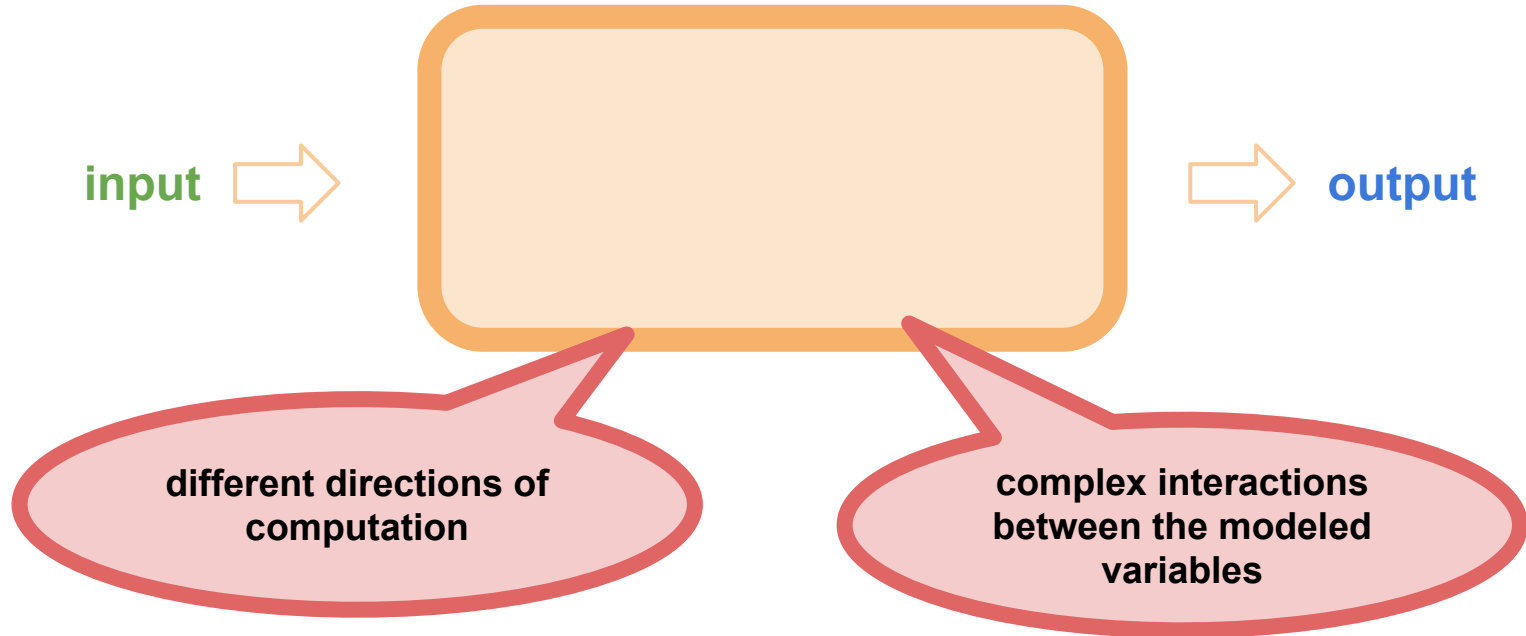


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**different directions of  
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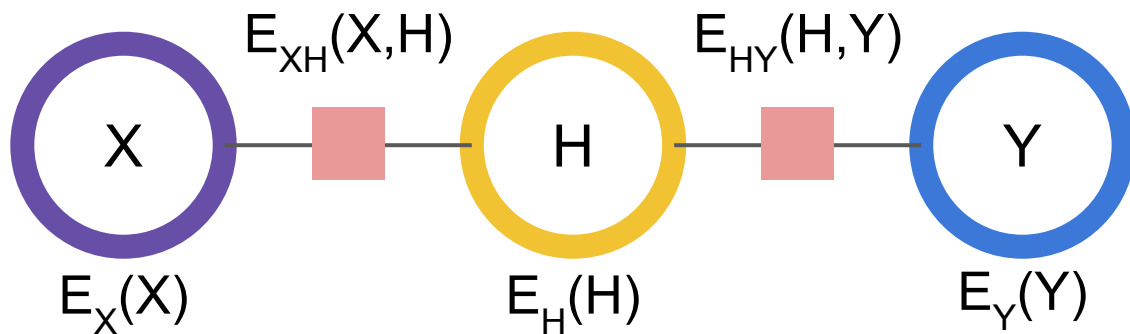
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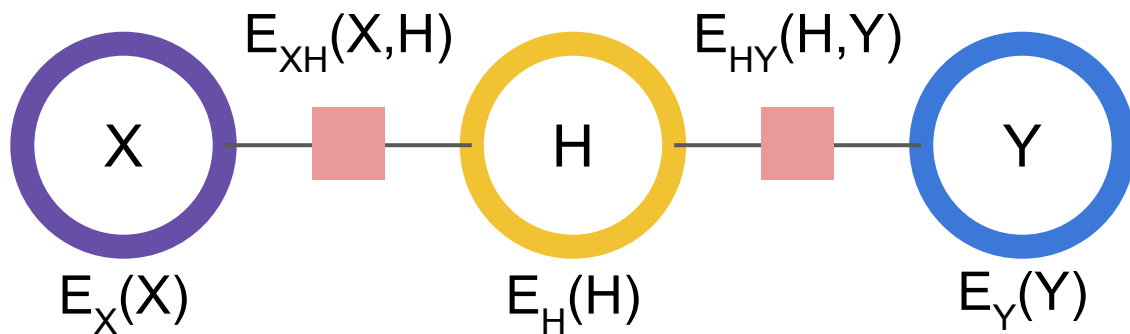
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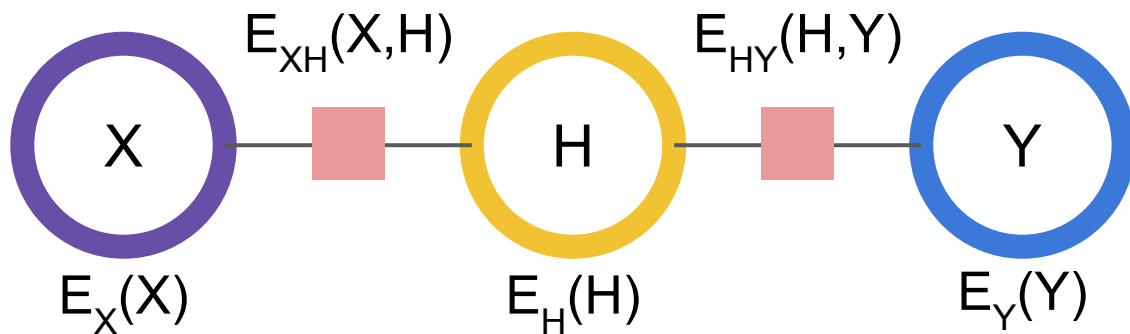
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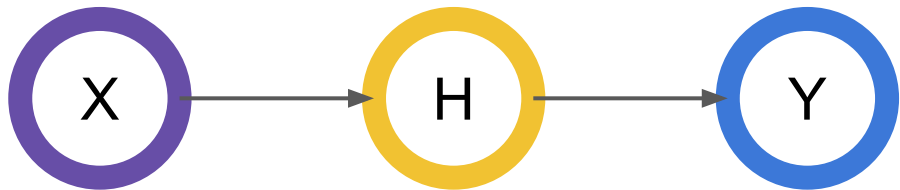
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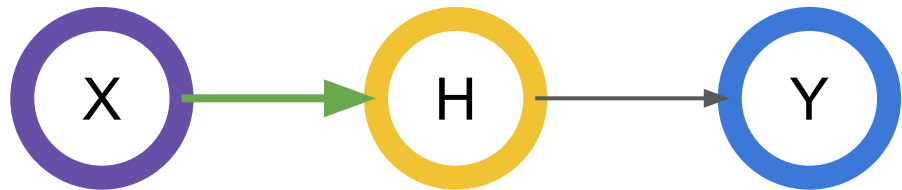
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**obtained implicitly by minimizing an energy function** which factors over a graph.

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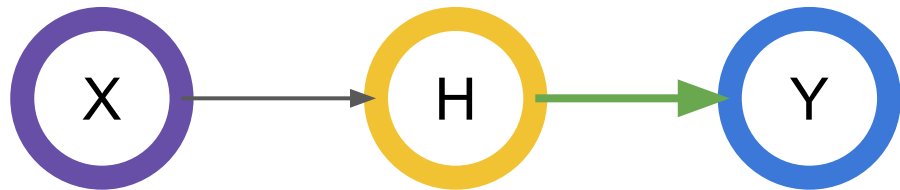




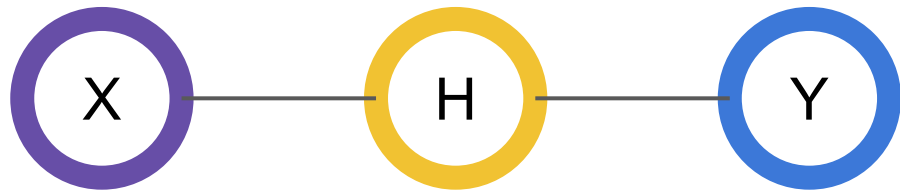
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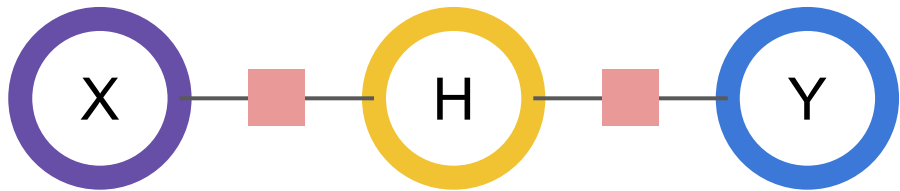
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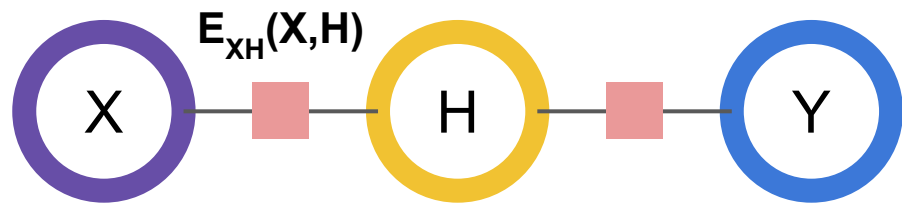
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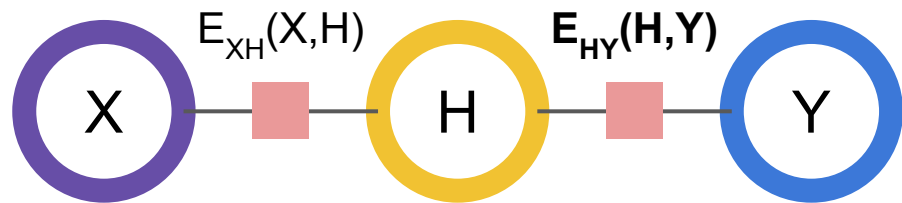


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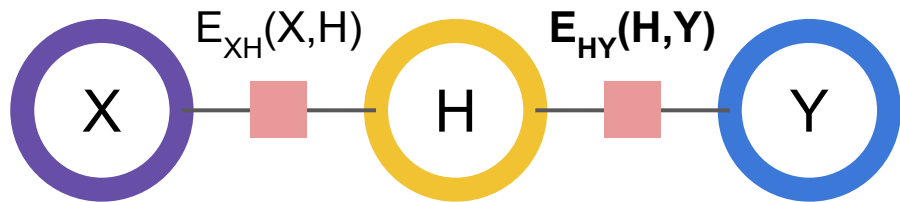
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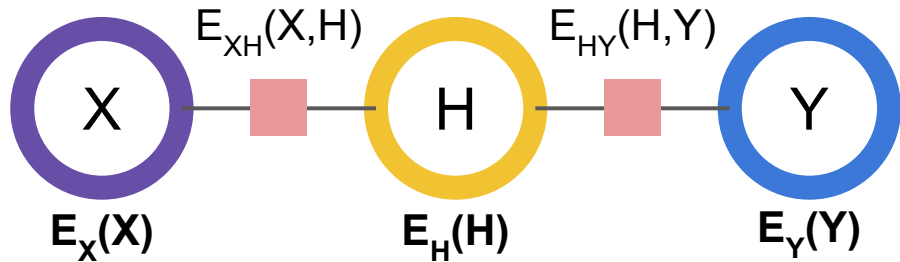
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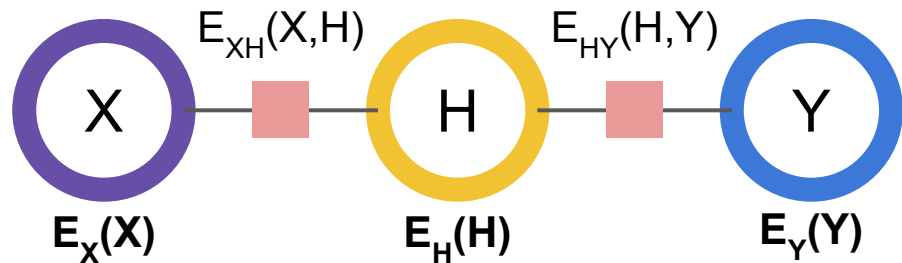
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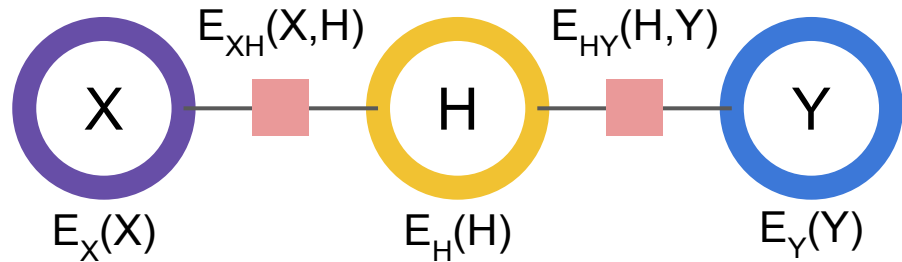
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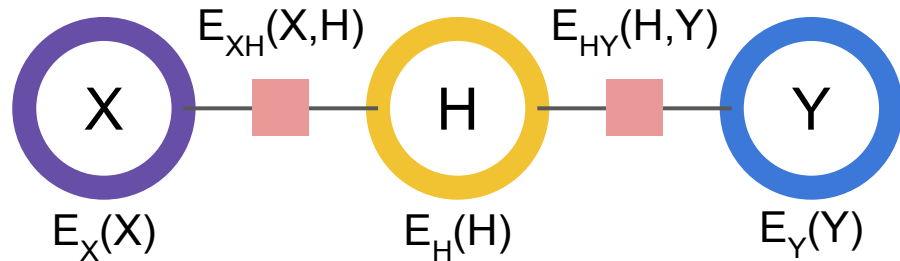
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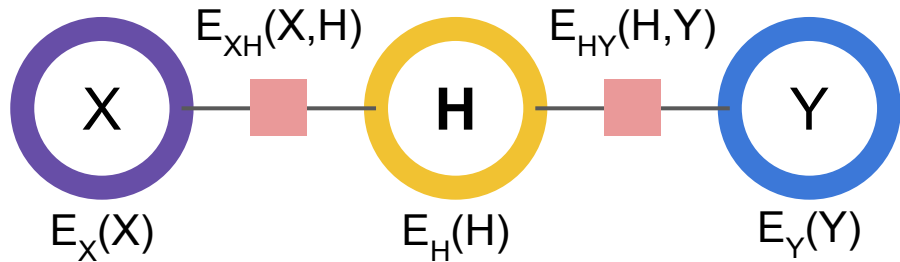
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For specific choices of  $\Psi$   
minimization wrt **every variable**  
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**given the others.**

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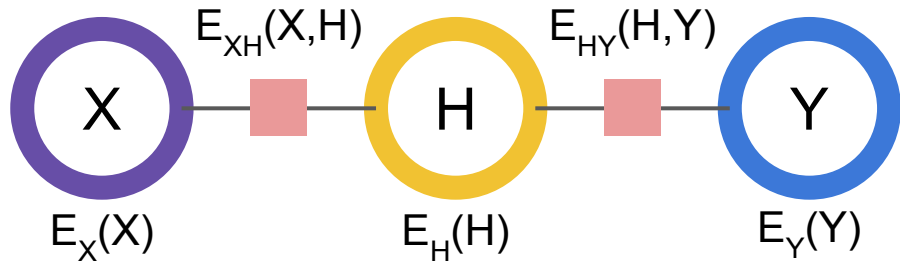
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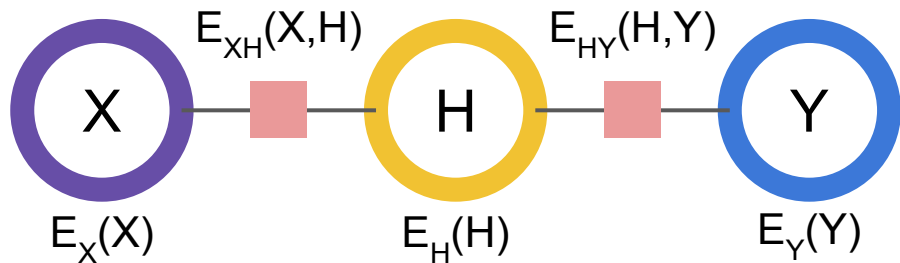
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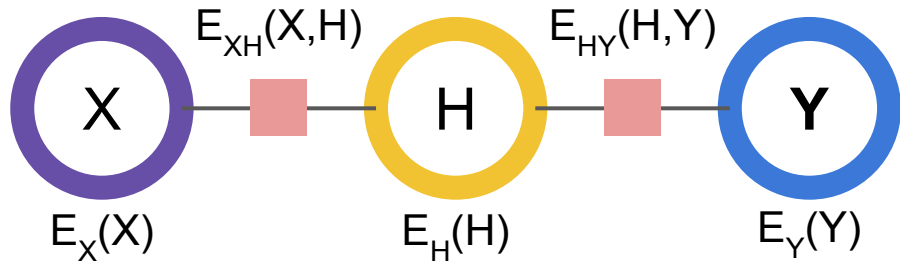
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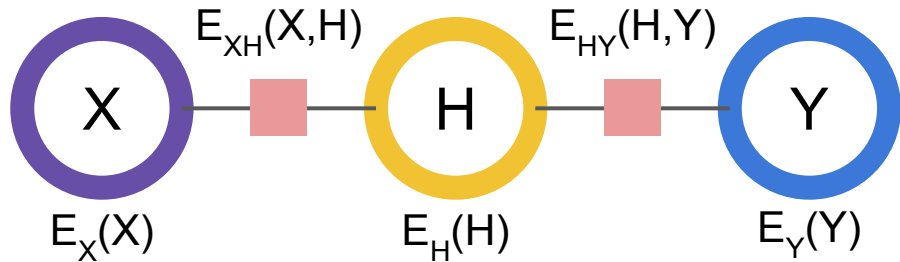
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$\Psi(h)$	$(\nabla\Psi^*)(t)$
$\frac{1}{2}\ h\ ^2$	$t$
$\frac{1}{2}\ h\ ^2 + \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+}(h)$	$\text{relu}(t)$
$\sum_j (\phi(h_j) + \phi(1-h_j)) + \iota_{[0,1]^d}(h)$	$\text{sigmoid}(t)$
$\sum_j \left( \phi\left(\frac{1+h_j}{2}\right) + \phi\left(\frac{1-h_j}{2}\right) \right) + \iota_{[-1,1]^d}(h)$	$\text{tanh}(t)$
$-\mathcal{H}(h) + \iota_{\Delta}(h)$	$\text{softmax}(t)$

Table 1: Examples of regularizers  $\Psi(h)$  corresponding to some common activation functions, where  $\phi(t) = t \log t$ .



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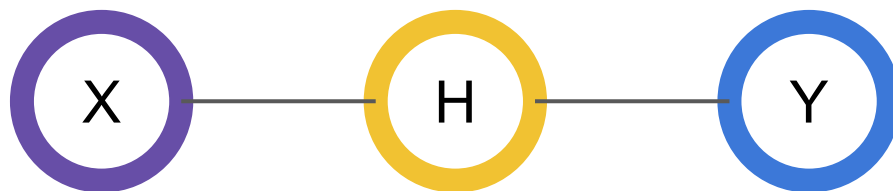
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(For  $k$  iterations.)

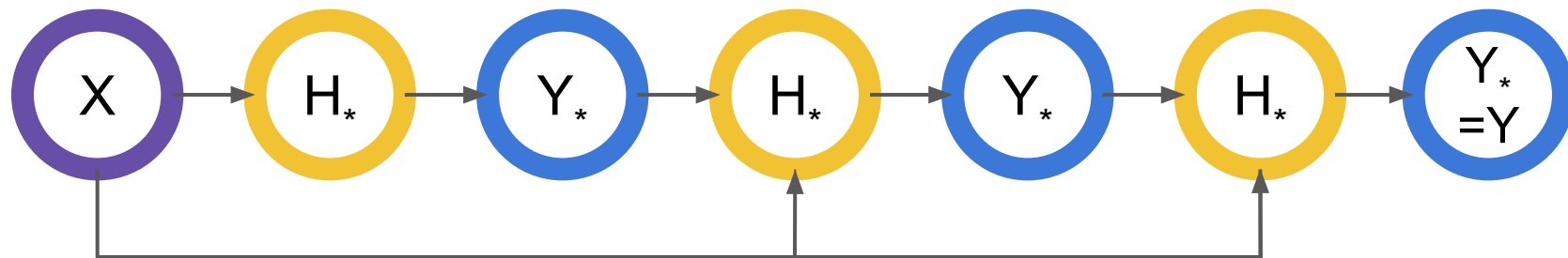
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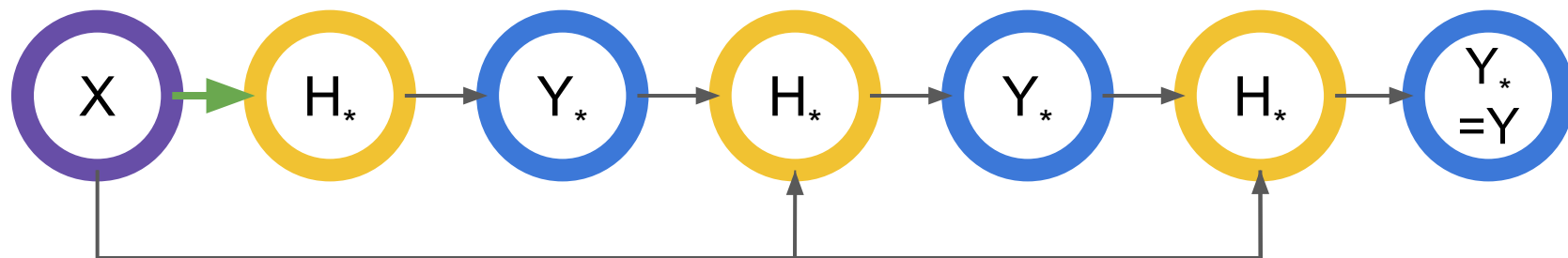
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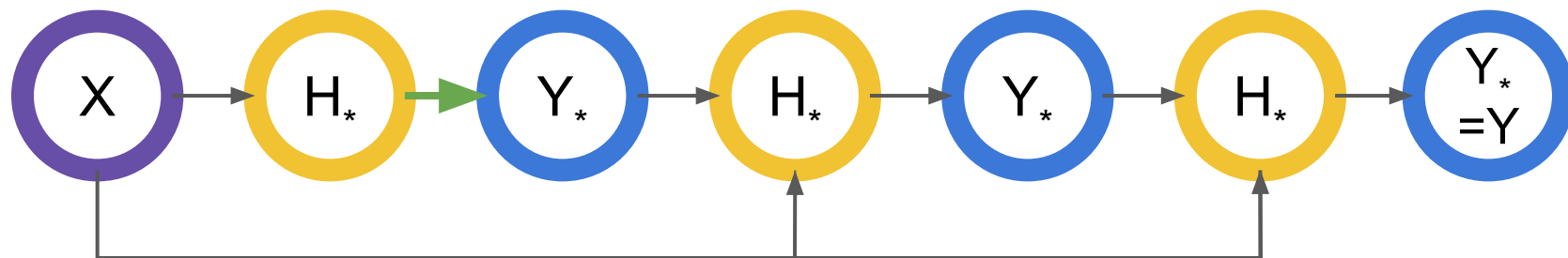
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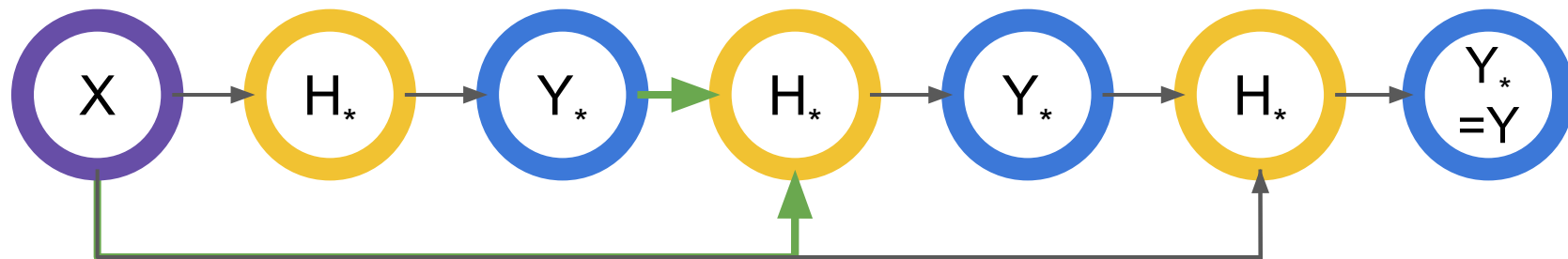
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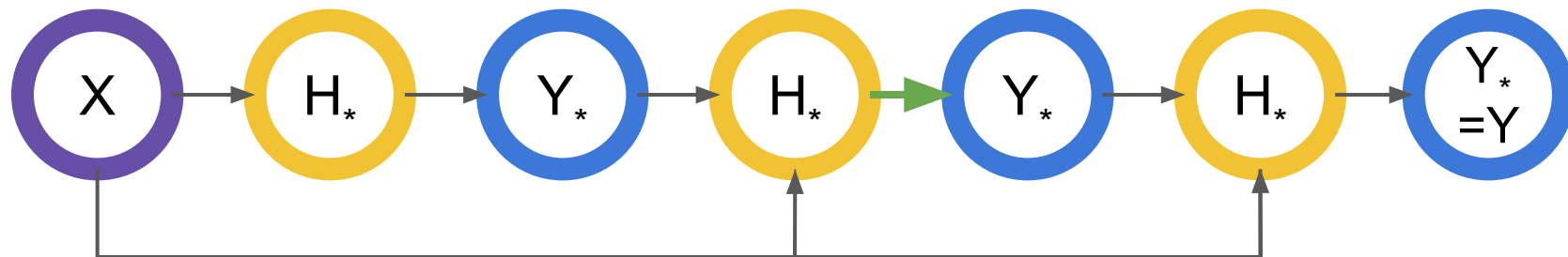
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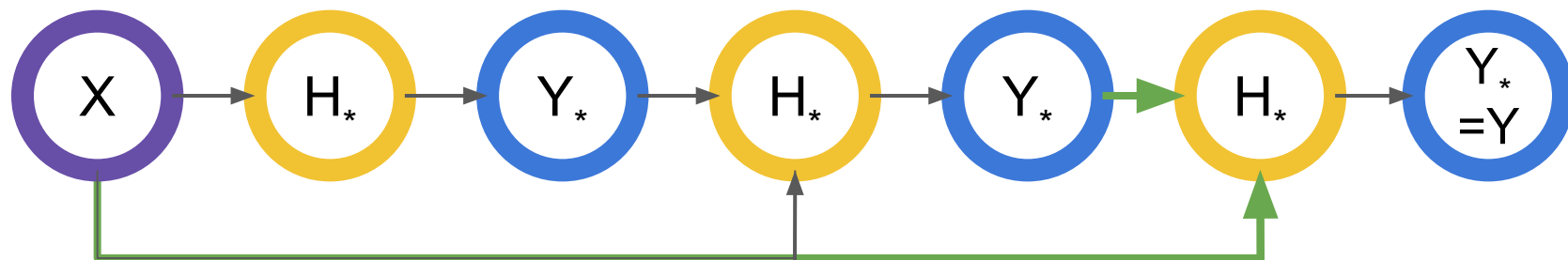
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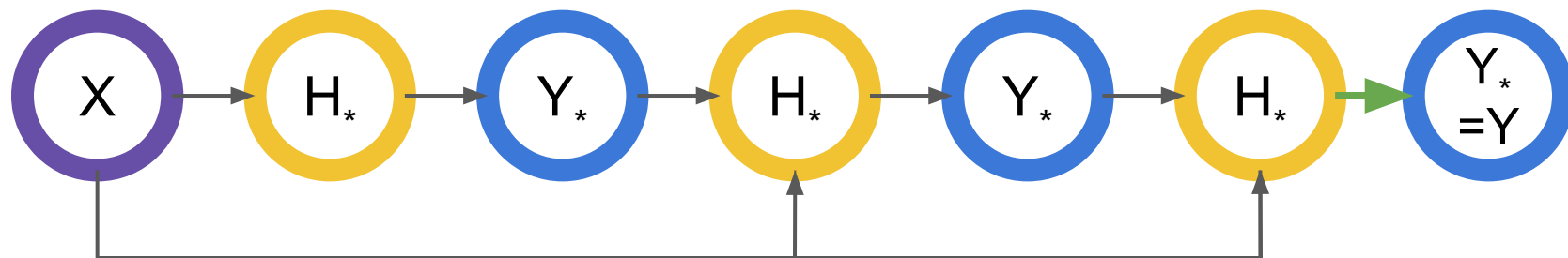




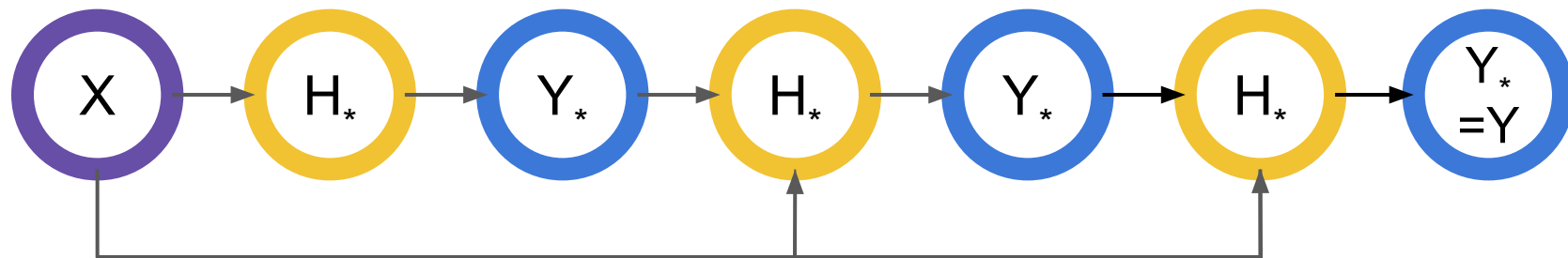
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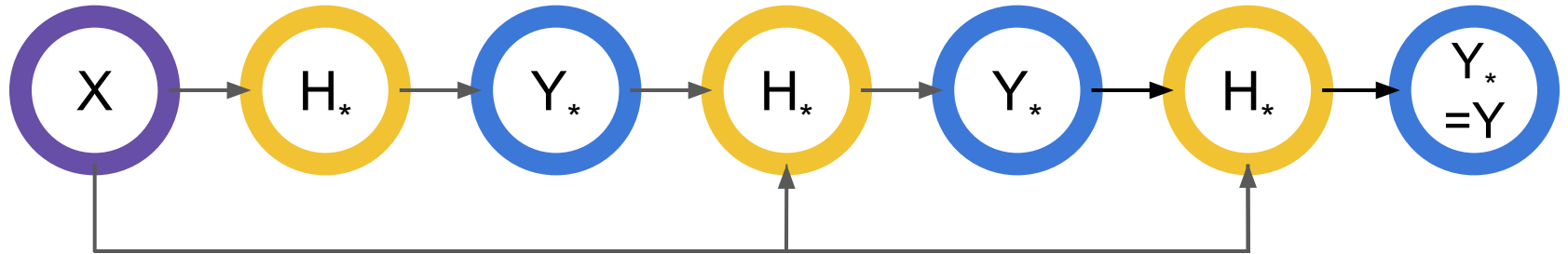


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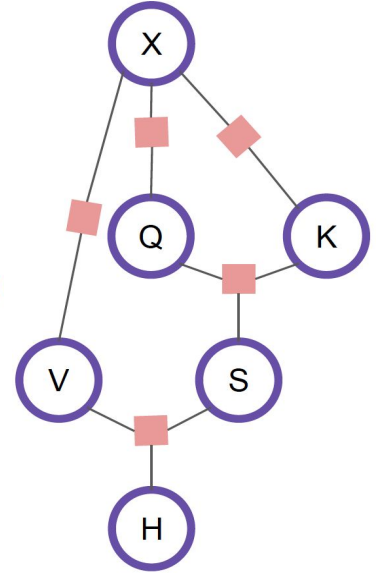
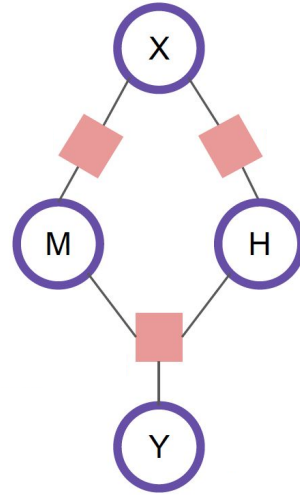
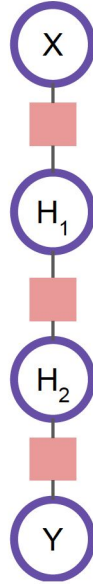
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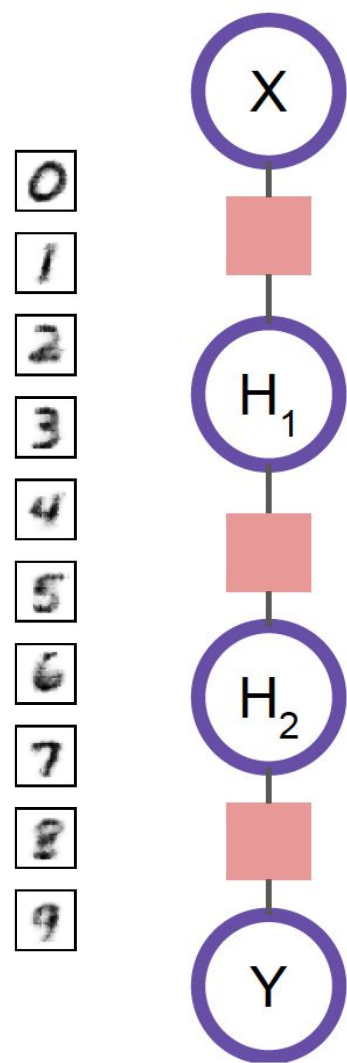
We can train the parameters effectively using standard gradient methods.

# Experiments



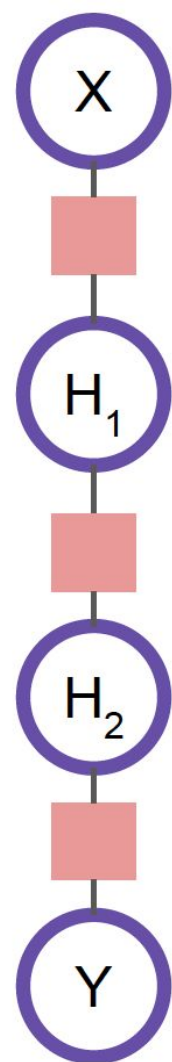
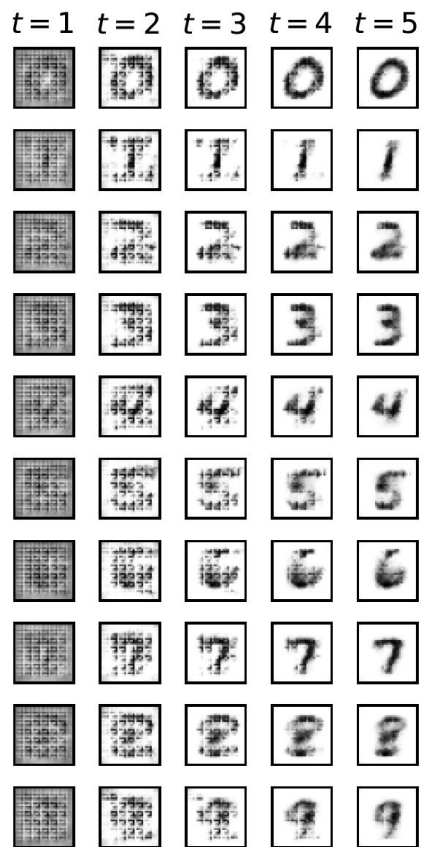
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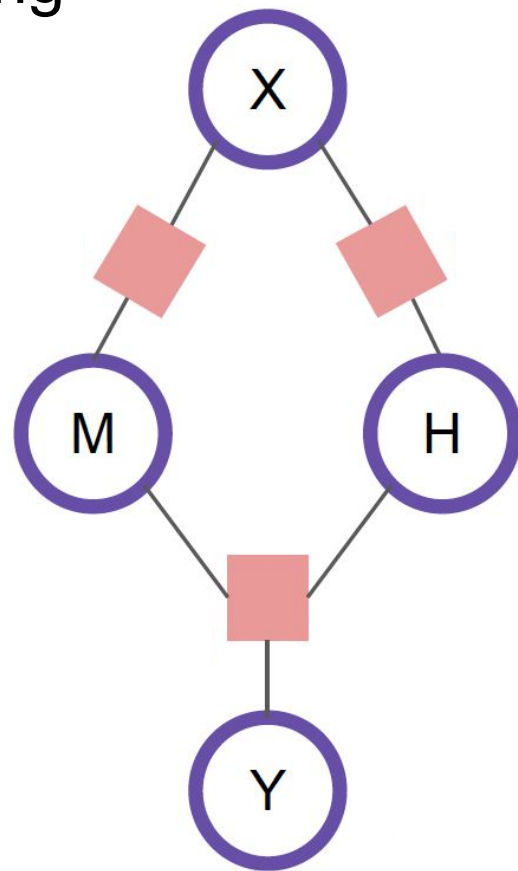
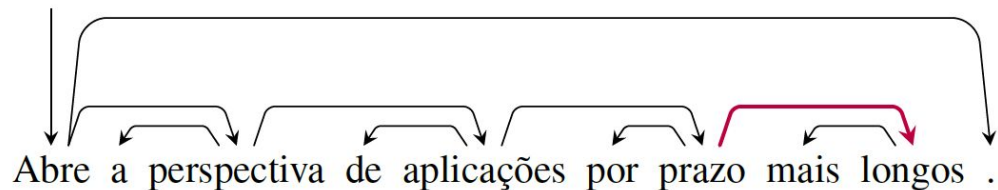


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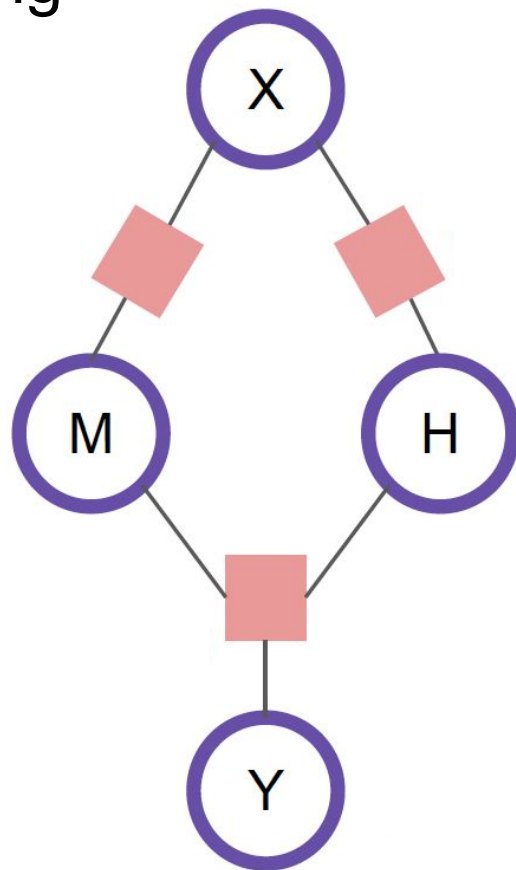
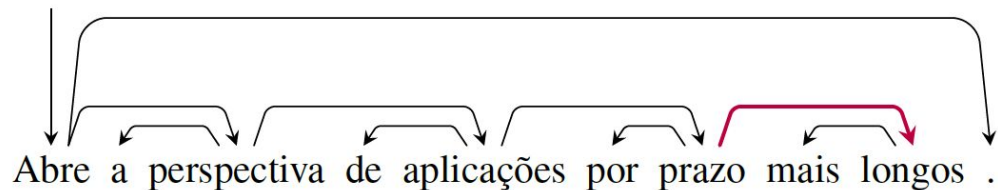


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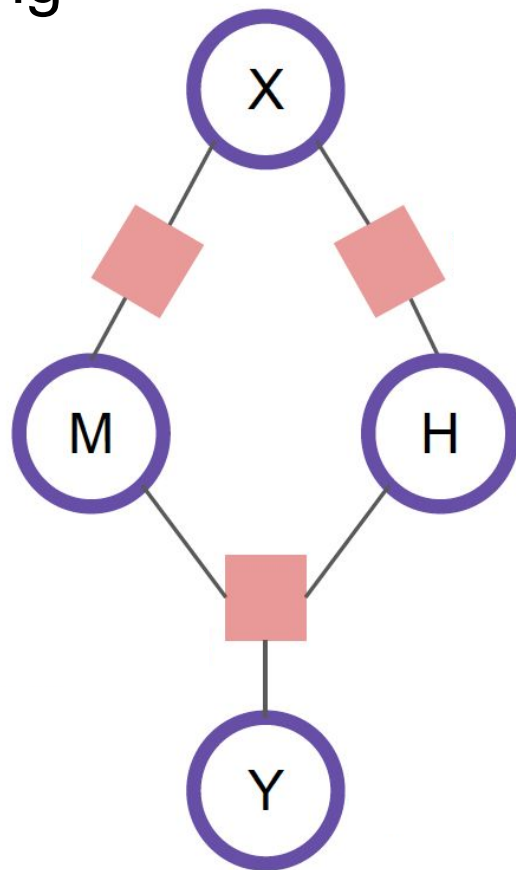
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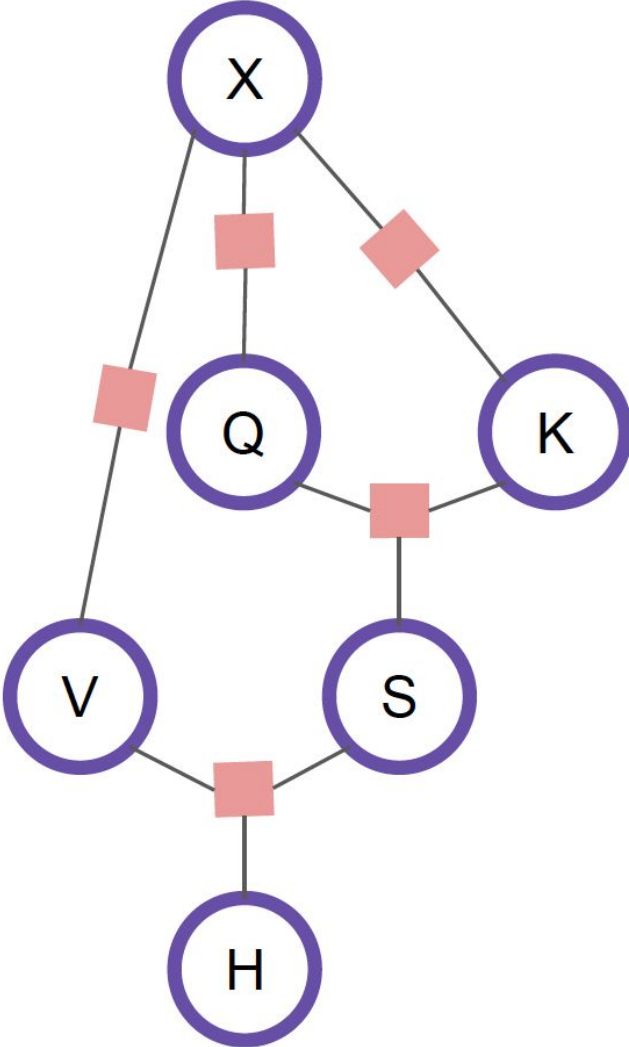
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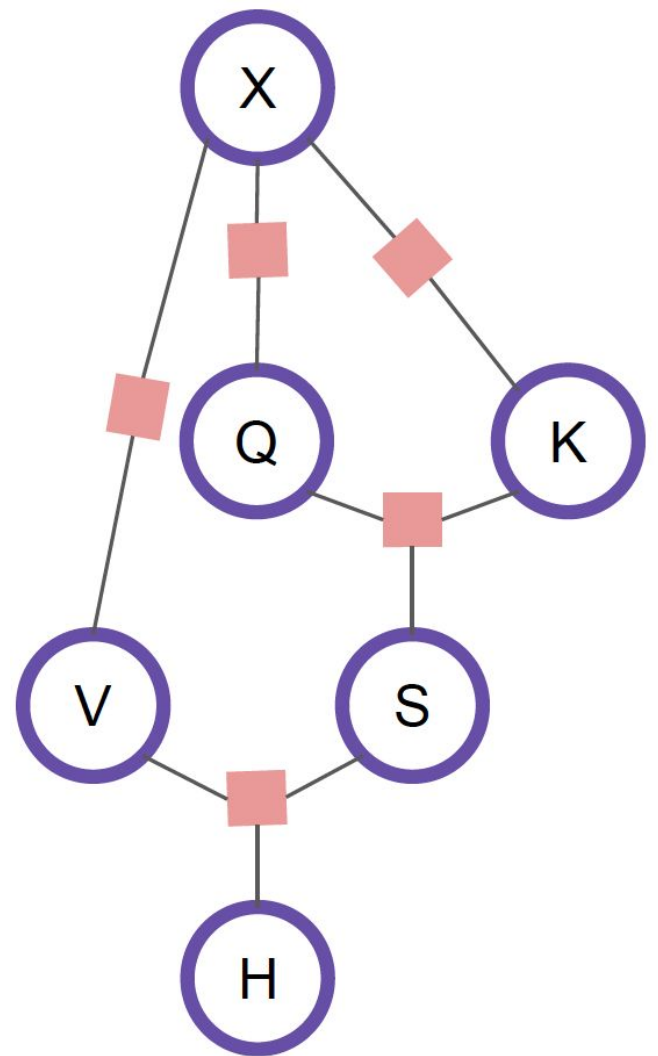
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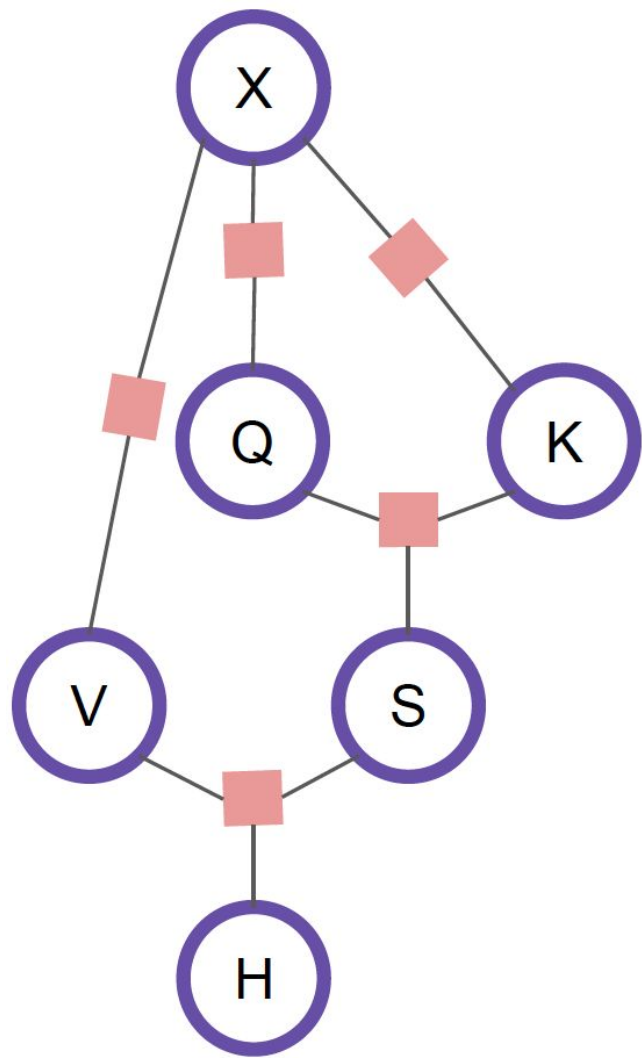
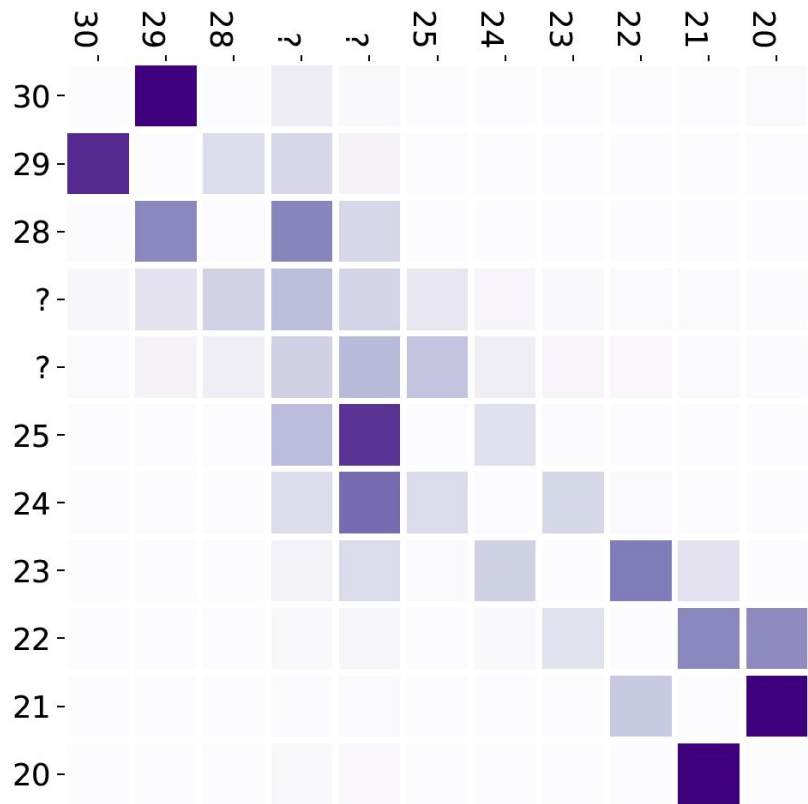
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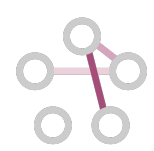
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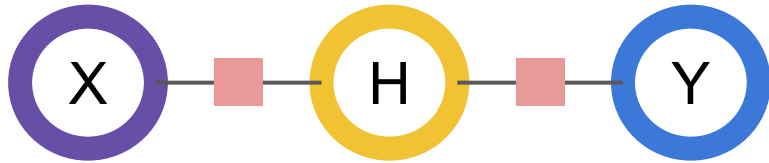
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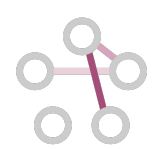
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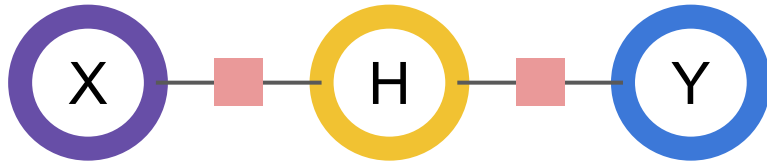
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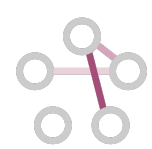
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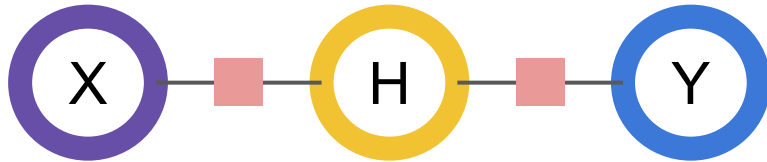
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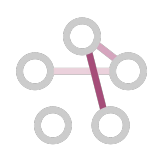


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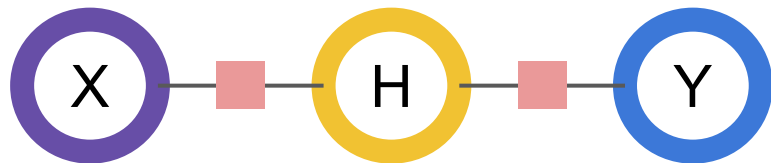
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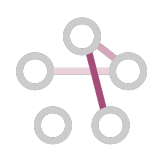
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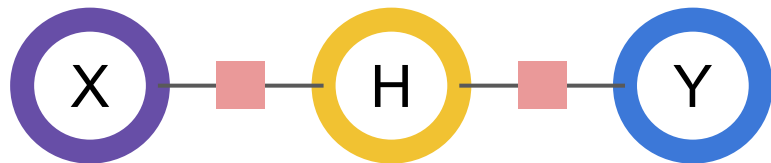
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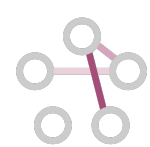


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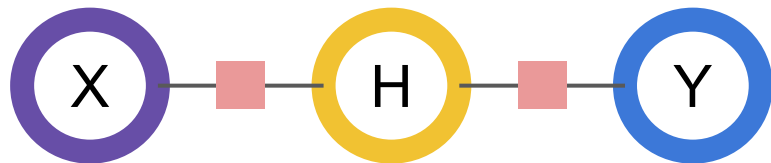
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