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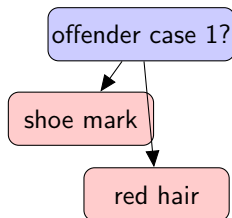
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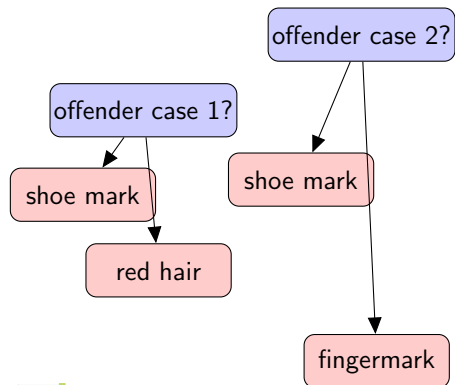
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- ▶ Use the computer to generate BN structures.
- ▶ \Rightarrow Example for crime linkage situations.

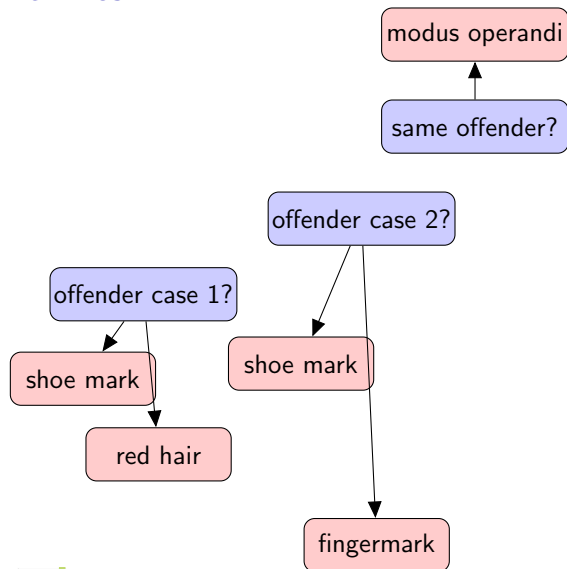
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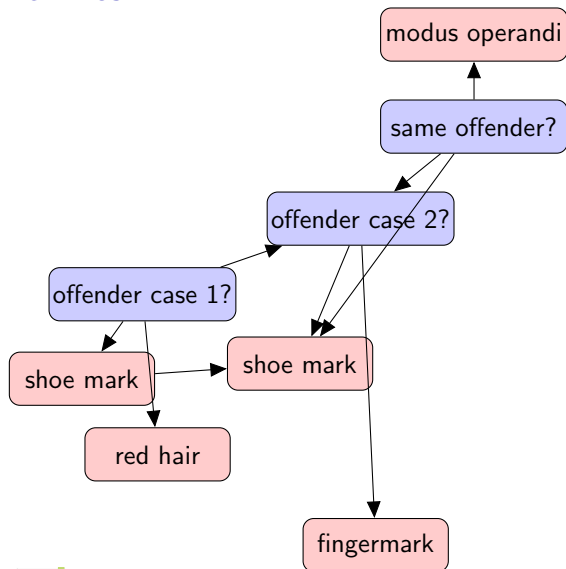
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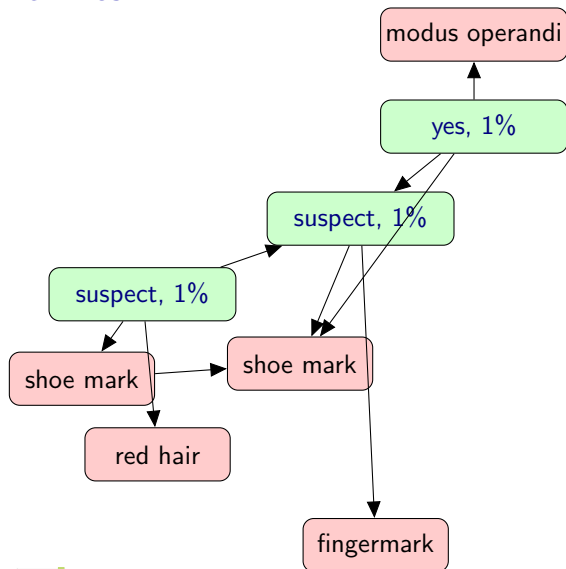
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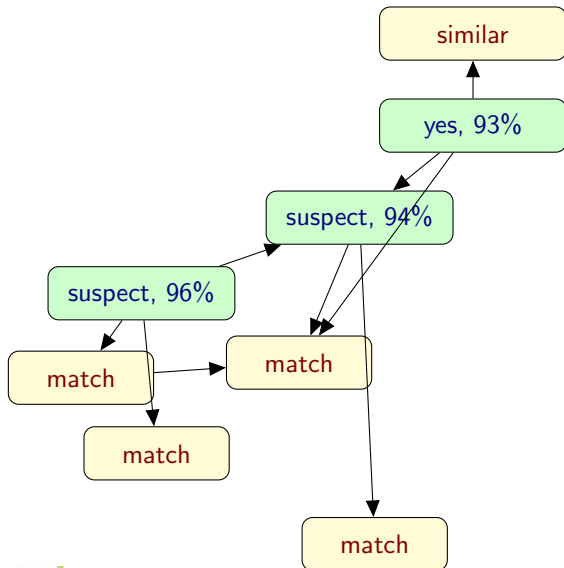
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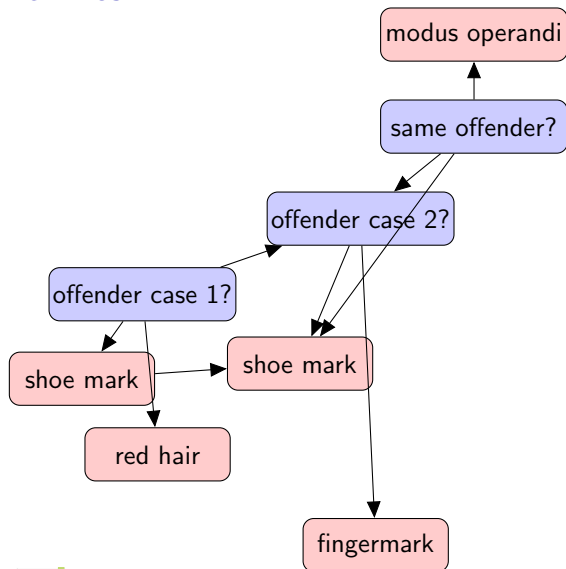
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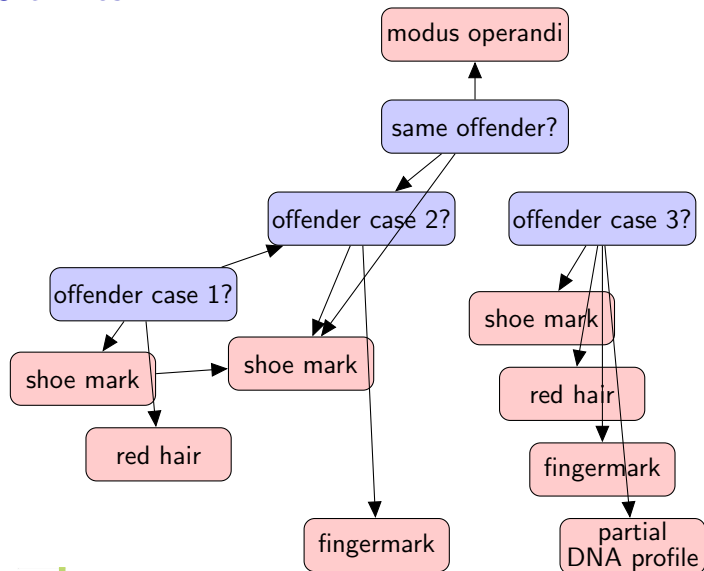
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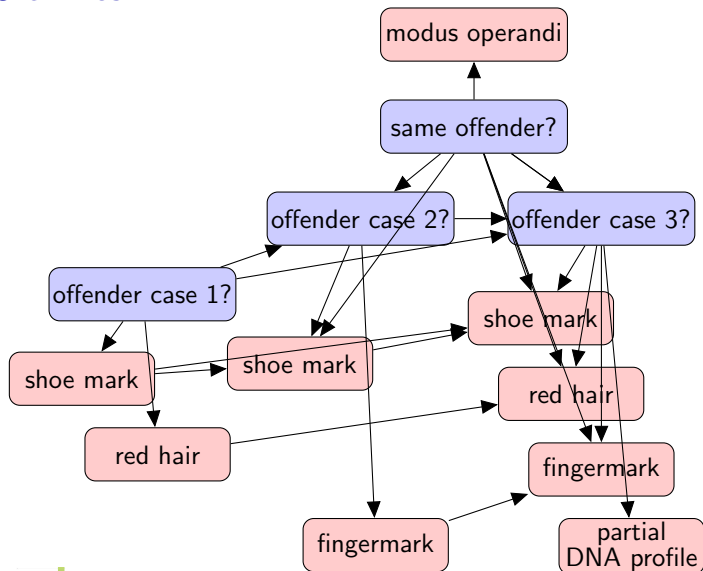
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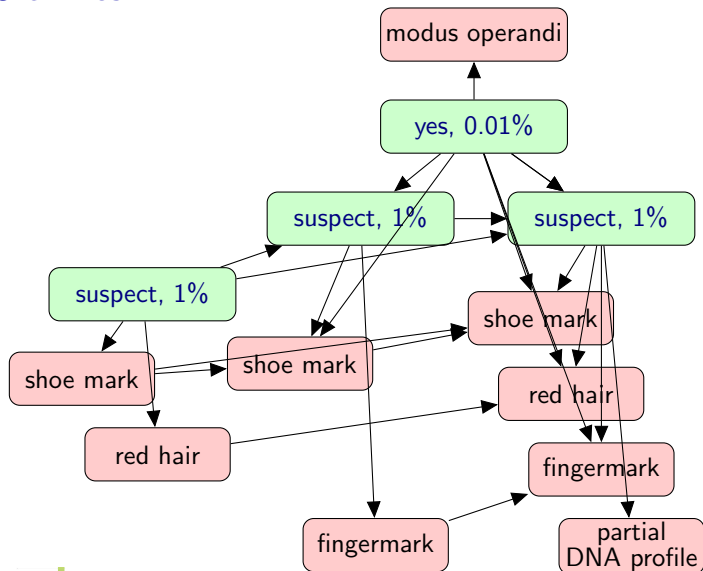
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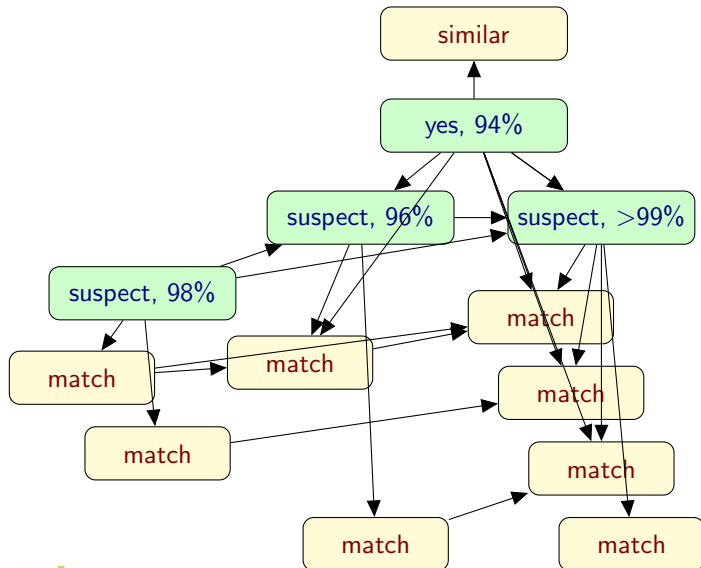
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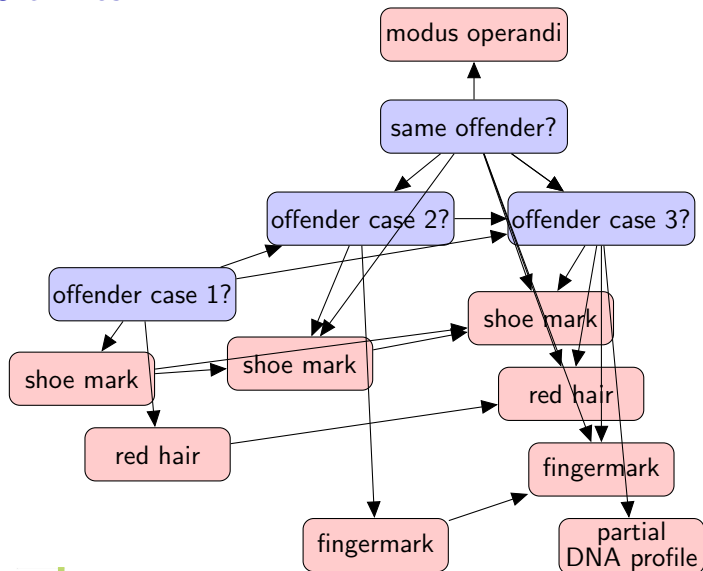
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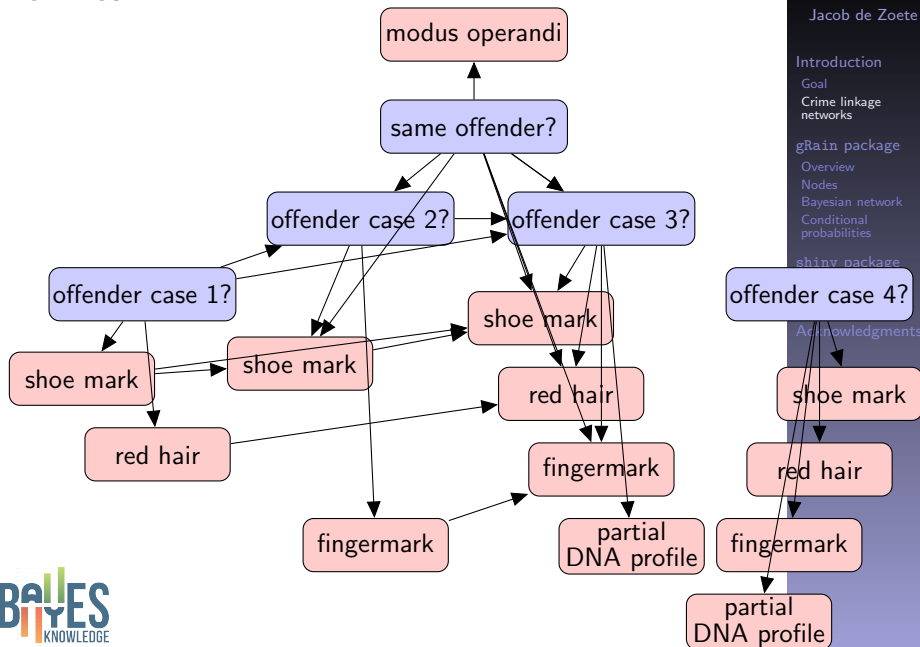
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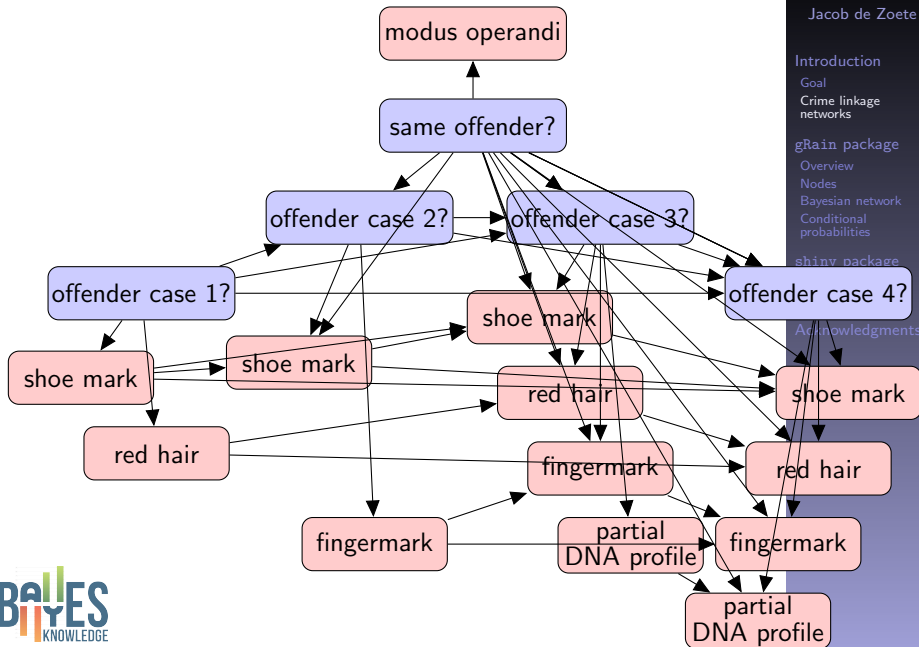
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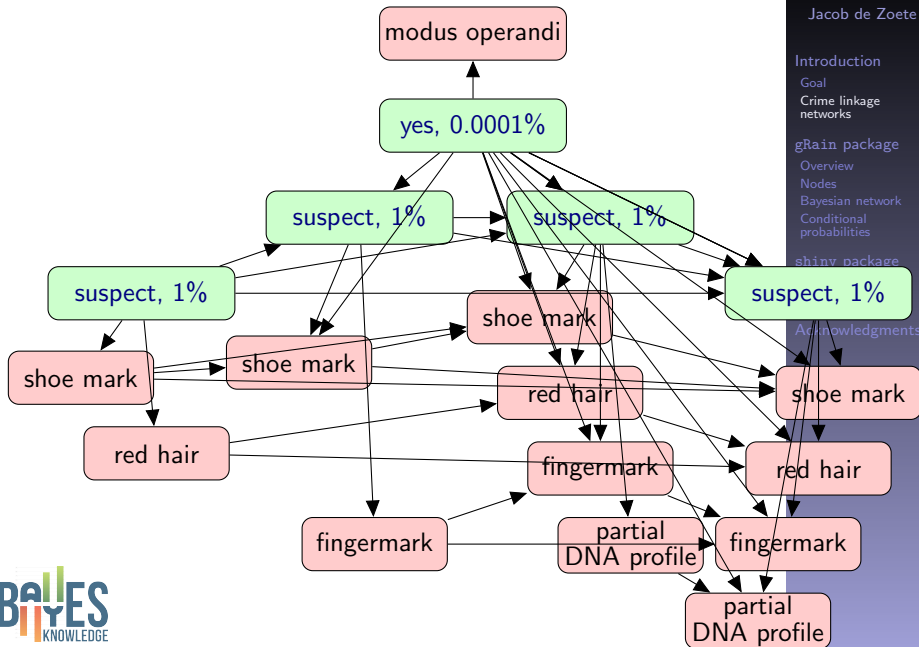
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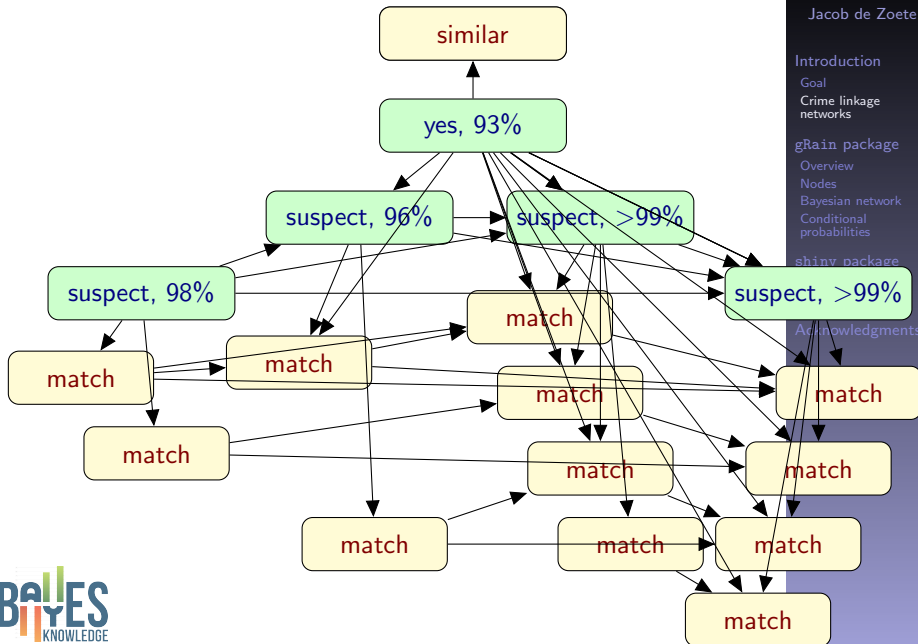
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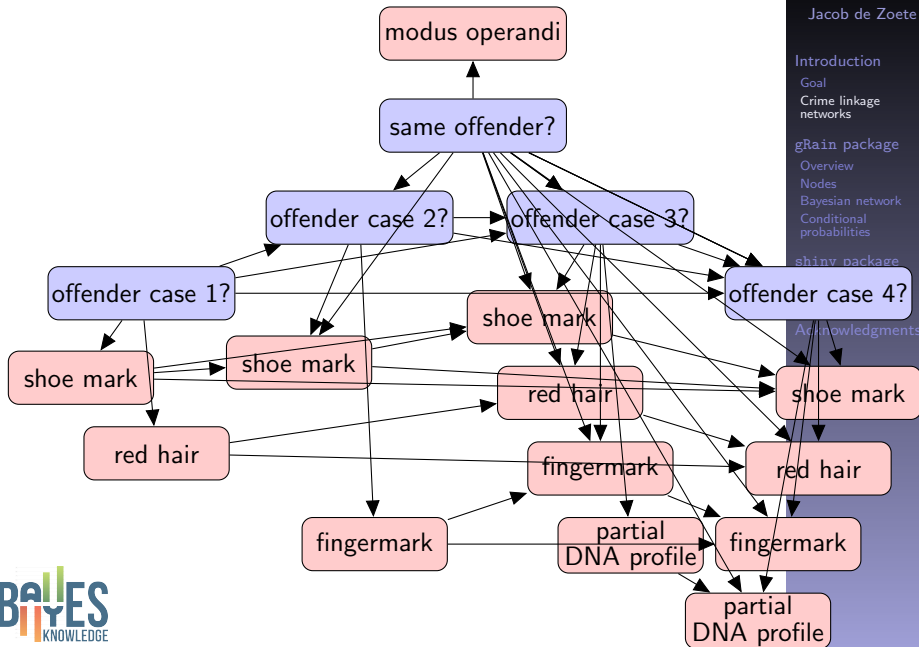
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NEVER SEND A HUMAN

TO DO A MACHINE'S JOB

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gRain package

- ▶ R is an open source programming language for statistical computing.
- ▶ The capabilities of R are extended through **user-created packages**.
- ▶ **gRain** is an R package for probability propagation in Bayesian networks.

gRain package

```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1, → node name  
              levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
              values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1,  
  levels = c("suspect","unknown"), → states  
  values = c(0.1,0.9))
```

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```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9)) → probability table
```

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of1 <-cptable(~offender_1,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
e11 <-cptable(~evidence_11 + offender_1,  
  levels = c("match", "no match"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0.01, 0.99))
```

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```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
e11 <-cptable(~evidence_11 + offender_1, → node parents  
  levels = c("match", "no match"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0.01, 0.99))
```

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of1 <-cptable(~offender_1,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
e11 <-cptable(~evidence_11 + offender_1,  
  levels = c("match", "no match"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0.01, 0.99))
```

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```
e12 <-cptable(~evidence_12 + offender_1,  
  levels = c("match", "no match"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0.02, 0.98))
```

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```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1, 1  
             levels = c("suspect", "unknown"), 2  
             values = c(0.1, 0.9)) 3
```

```
e11 <-cptable(~evidence_11 + offender_1, 4  
            levels = c("match", "no match"), 5  
            values = c(1, 0, 0.01, 0.99)) 6
```

```
e12 <-cptable(~evidence_12 + offender_1, 7  
            levels = c("match", "no match"), 8  
            values = c(1, 0, 0.02, 0.98)) 9
```

```
plist <-compileCPT(list(of1, e11, e12)) 10  
pn <-grain(plist) 11
```

gRain package

```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1, 1  
              levels = c("suspect", "unknown"), 2  
              values = c(0.1, 0.9)) 3
```

```
e11 <-cptable(~evidence_11 + offender_1, 4  
             levels = c("match", "no match"), 5  
             values = c(1, 0, 0.01, 0.99)) 6
```

```
e12 <-cptable(~evidence_12 + offender_1, 7  
             levels = c("match", "no match"), 8  
             values = c(1, 0, 0.02, 0.98)) 9
```

```
plist <- compileCPT(list(of1, e11, e12)) → compile 10  
pn <- grain(plist) 11
```

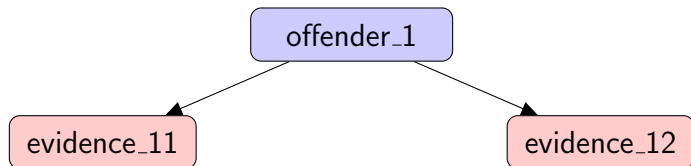
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```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1, 1  
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             values = c(0.1, 0.9)) 3
```

```
e11 <-cptable(~evidence_11 + offender_1, 4  
            levels = c("match", "no match"), 5  
            values = c(1, 0, 0.01, 0.99)) 6
```

```
e12 <-cptable(~evidence_12 + offender_1, 7  
            levels = c("match", "no match"), 8  
            values = c(1, 0, 0.02, 0.98)) 9
```

```
plist <-compileCPT(list(of1, e11, e12)) 10  
pn <-grain(plist) → construct BN 11
```

gRain package - second offender

```
sof <-cptable(~same_offender,  
  levels = c("yes", "no"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
sof <-cptable(~same_offender,  
  levels = c("yes", "no"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
of2 <-cptable(~offender_2 + offender_1 + same_offender,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0, 1, 0.1, 0.9, 0.1, 0.9))
```

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gRain package - second offender

```
sof <-cptable(~same_offender,  
  levels = c("yes", "no"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
of2 <-cptable(~offender_2 + offender_1 + same_offender,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0, 1, 0.1, 0.9, 0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
e21 <-cptable(~evidence_21 + offender_2,  
  levels = c("match", "no match"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0.01, 0.99))
```

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```
sof <-cptable(~same_offender,  
  levels = c("yes", "no"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
of2 <-cptable(~offender_2 + offender_1 + same_offender,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0, 1, 0.1, 0.9, 0.1, 0.9))
```

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```
e21 <-cptable(~evidence_21 + offender_2,  
  levels = c("match", "no match"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0.01, 0.99))
```

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```
parents_e21 <- c("offender_2")
```

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gRain package - second offender

```
parents_e21<-c("offender_2")
```

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```
if (exists ("e11")){  
  parents_e21<-paste(parents_e21, "+ evidence_11 + same_offender")  
}
```

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gRain package - second offender

```
parents_e21<-c("offender_2")
```

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```
if (exists("e11")){ → check whether variable exists  
  parents_e21<-paste(parents_e21, "+ evidence_11 + same_offender")  
}
```

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gRain package - second offender

```
parents_e21<-c("offender_2")
```

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```
if (exists("e11")){  
  parents_e21<-paste(parents_e21, "+ evidence_11 + same_offender")  
}
```

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↓
"offender_2"

gRain package - second offender

```
parents_e21 <- c("offender_2")
```

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```
if (exists("e11")) {  
  parents_e21 <- paste(parents_e21, "+ evidence_11 + same_offender")  
}
```

2

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↓
"offender_2 + evidence_11 + same_offender"

gRain package - second offender

```
sof <-cptable(~same_offender,  
             levels = c("yes", "no"),  
             values = c(0.1,0.9))
```

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```
of2 <-cptable(~offender_2 + offender_1 + same_offender,  
             levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
             values = c(1,0, 0,1, 0.1,0.9, 0.1,0.9))
```

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```
e21<-cptable(~evidence_21 + parents_e21,  
            levels = c("match", "no match"),  
            values = c(1,0, 1, 0, 0,1, 0, 1,  
                      1,0, 0.01, 0.99, 1,0, 0.01, 0.99))
```

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```
plist <-compileCPT(list(of1,e11,e12,sof,of2,e21))  
pn <-grain(plist)
```

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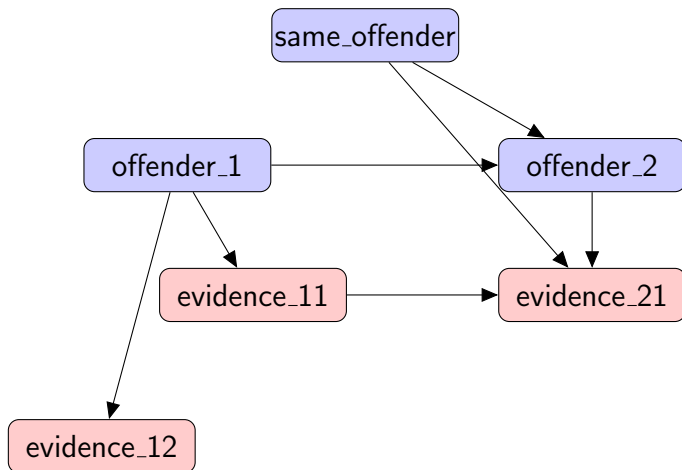
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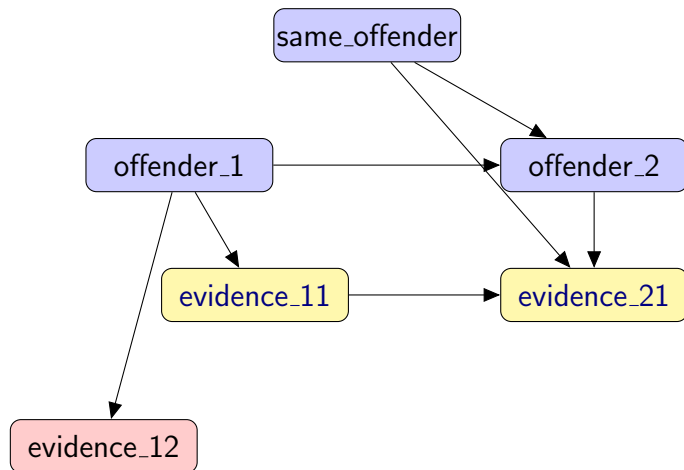
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sof <-cptable(~same_offender,  
  levels = c("yes", "no"),  
  values = c(0.1, 0.9))
```

```
of2 <-cptable(~offender_2 + offender_1 + same_offender,  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 0, 1, 0.1, 0.9, 0.1, 0.9))
```

```
e21 <-cptable(~evidence_21 + parents_e21,  
  levels = c("match", "no match"),  
  values = c(1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1,  
            1, 0, 0.01, 0.99, 1, 0, 0.01, 0.99))
```

```
plist <-compileCPT(list(of1, e11, e12, sof, of2, e21))  
pn <-grain(plist)
```





Conditional probabilities

evidence_11		
offender_1	suspect	unknown
match	1	0.01
no match	0	0.99

evidence_21					
offender_2	suspect	unknown			
same_off.	*	yes		no	
evidence_11	*	match	no match	match	no match
match	1	1	0	0.01	0.01
no match	0	0	1	0.99	0.99

Conditional probabilities

evidence_11		
offender_1	suspect	unknown
match	1	0.01
no match	0	0.99

evidence_21					
offender_2	suspect	unknown			
same_off.	*	yes		no	
evidence_11	*	match	no match	match	no match
match	1	1	0	0.01	0.01
no match	0	0	1	0.99	0.99

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Conditional probabilities

evidence_11		
offender_1	suspect	unknown
match	1	p_{evid_1}
no match	0	$1 - p_{\text{evid}_1}$

evidence_21					
offender_2	suspect	unknown			
same_off.	*	yes		no	
evidence_11	*	match	no match	match	no match
match	1	1	0	p_{evid_1}	p_{evid_1}
no match	0	0	1	$1 - p_{\text{evid}_1}$	$1 - p_{\text{evid}_1}$

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```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1, 1  
  levels = c("suspect", "unknown"), 2  
  values = c(1/N, 1-1/N)) 3
```

```
e11 <-cptable(~evidence_11 + offender_1, 4  
  levels = c("match", "no match"), 5  
  values = c(1, 0, p_evid_1, 1-p_evid_1)) 6
```

```
e12 <-cptable(~evidence_12 + offender_1, 7  
  levels = c("match", "no match"), 8  
  values = c(1, 0, p_evid_2, 1-p_evid_2)) 9
```

gRain package

```
of1 <-cptable(~offender_1, 1  
              levels = c("suspect", "unknown"), 2  
              values = c(1/N, 1-1/N)) 3
```

```
e11 <-cptable(~evidence_11 + offender_1, 4  
             levels = c("match", "no match"), 5  
             values = c(1, 0, p_evid_1, 1-p_evid_1)) 6
```

```
e12 <-cptable(~evidence_12 + offender_1, 7  
             levels = c("match", "no match"), 8  
             values = c(1, 0, p_evid_2, 1-p_evid_2)) 9
```

shiny package

- ▶ **shiny** is an **R package** for building interactive web applications.
- ▶ Using your own **R code**, it is relatively easy to **construct** a **GUI**.
- ▶ Furthermore, this **application can be accessed online**, which removes the necessity of having **R** installed.

shiny application

<http://bayes-knowledge.com/>

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