

# ECS 235B Module 11

## Expressiveness

# Expressive Power

- How do the sets of systems that models can describe compare?
  - If HRU equivalent to SPM, SPM provides more specific answer to safety question
  - If HRU describes more systems, SPM applies only to the systems it can describe

# HRU vs. SPM

- SPM more abstract
  - Analyses focus on limits of model, not details of representation
- HRU allows revocation
  - SMP has no equivalent to delete, destroy
- HRU allows multiparent creates
  - SMP cannot express multiparent creates easily, and not at all if the parents are of different types because *can•create* allows for only one type of creator

# Multiparent Create

- Solves mutual suspicion problem
  - Create proxy jointly, each gives it needed rights
- In HRU:

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command multicreate( $s_0, s_1, o$ )  
if  $r$  in  $a[s_0, s_1]$  and  $r$  in  $a[s_1, s_0]$   
then  
    create object  $o$ ;  
    enter  $r$  into  $a[s_0, o]$ ;  
    enter  $r$  into  $a[s_1, o]$ ;  
end
```

# SPM and Multiparent Create

- $cc$  extended in obvious way
  - $cc \subseteq TS \times \dots \times TS \times T$
- Symbols
  - $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$  parents,  $\mathbf{Y}$  created
  - $R_{1,i}, R_{2,i}, R_3, R_{4,i} \subseteq R$
- Rules
  - $cr_{P,i}(\tau(\mathbf{X}_1), \dots, \tau(\mathbf{X}_n)) = \mathbf{Y}/R_{1,1} \cup \mathbf{X}_i/R_{2,i}$
  - $cr_C(\tau(\mathbf{X}_1), \dots, \tau(\mathbf{X}_n)) = \mathbf{Y}/R_3 \cup \mathbf{X}_1/R_{4,1} \cup \dots \cup \mathbf{X}_n/R_{4,n}$

# Example

- Anna, Bill must do something cooperatively
  - But they don't trust each other
- Jointly create a proxy
  - Each gives proxy only necessary rights
- In ESPM:
  - Anna, Bill type  $a$ ; proxy type  $p$ ; right  $x \in R$
  - $cc(a, a) = p$
  - $cr_{\text{Anna}}(a, a, p) = cr_{\text{Bill}}(a, a, p) = \emptyset$
  - $cr_{\text{proxy}}(a, a, p) = \{ \text{Anna}/x, \text{Bill}/x \}$

# 2-Parent Joint Create Suffices

- Goal: emulate 3-parent joint create with 2-parent joint create
- Definition of 3-parent joint create (subjects  $\mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2, \mathbf{P}_3$ ; child  $\mathbf{C}$ ):
  - $cc(\tau(\mathbf{P}_1), \tau(\mathbf{P}_2), \tau(\mathbf{P}_3)) = Z \subseteq T$
  - $cr_{\mathbf{P}_1}(\tau(\mathbf{P}_1), \tau(\mathbf{P}_2), \tau(\mathbf{P}_3)) = \mathbf{C}/R_{1,1} \cup \mathbf{P}_1/R_{2,1}$
  - $cr_{\mathbf{P}_2}(\tau(\mathbf{P}_1), \tau(\mathbf{P}_2), \tau(\mathbf{P}_3)) = \mathbf{C}/R_{2,1} \cup \mathbf{P}_2/R_{2,2}$
  - $cr_{\mathbf{P}_3}(\tau(\mathbf{P}_1), \tau(\mathbf{P}_2), \tau(\mathbf{P}_3)) = \mathbf{C}/R_{3,1} \cup \mathbf{P}_3/R_{2,3}$

# General Approach

- Define agents for parents and child
  - Agents act as surrogates for parents
  - If create fails, parents have no extra rights
  - If create succeeds, parents, child have exactly same rights as in 3-parent creates
    - Only extra rights are to agents (which are never used again, and so these rights are irrelevant)



# Entities and Types

- Parents  $\mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2, \mathbf{P}_3$  have types  $p_1, p_2, p_3$
- Child  $\mathbf{C}$  of type  $c$
- Parent agents  $\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{A}_3$  of types  $a_1, a_2, a_3$
- Child agent  $\mathbf{S}$  of type  $s$
- Type  $t$  is parentage
  - if  $\mathbf{X}/t \in \text{dom}(\mathbf{Y})$ ,  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $\mathbf{Y}$ 's parent
- Types  $t, a_1, a_2, a_3, s$  are new types

# *can•create*

- Following added to *can•create*:
  - $cc(p_1) = a_1$
  - $cc(p_2, a_1) = a_2$
  - $cc(p_3, a_2) = a_3$ 
    - Parents creating their agents; note agents have maximum of 2 parents
  - $cc(a_3) = s$ 
    - Agent of all parents creates agent of child
  - $cc(s) = c$ 
    - Agent of child creates child

# Creation Rules

- Following added to create rule:
  - $cr_p(p_1, a_1) = \emptyset$
  - $cr_c(p_1, a_1) = p_1/Rtc$ 
    - Agent's parent set to creating parent; agent has all rights over parent
  - $cr_{pfirst}(p_2, a_1, a_2) = \emptyset$
  - $cr_{psecond}(p_2, a_1, a_2) = \emptyset$
  - $cr_c(p_2, a_1, a_2) = p_2/Rtc \cup a_1/tc$ 
    - Agent's parent set to creating parent and agent; agent has all rights over parent (but not over agent)

# Creation Rules

- $cr_{pfirst}(p_3, a_2, a_3) = \emptyset$
- $cr_{psecond}(p_3, a_2, a_3) = \emptyset$
- $cr_C(p_3, a_2, a_3) = p_3/Rtc \cup a_2/tc$ 
  - Agent's parent set to creating parent and agent; agent has all rights over parent (but not over agent)
- $cr_p(a_3, s) = \emptyset$
- $cr_C(a_3, s) = a_3/tc$ 
  - Child's agent has third agent as parent  $cr_p(a_3, s) = \emptyset$
- $cr_p(s, c) = \mathbf{C}/Rtc$
- $cr_C(s, c) = c/R_3t$ 
  - Child's agent gets full rights over child; child gets  $R_3$  rights over agent

# Link Predicates

- Idea: no tickets to parents until child created
  - Done by requiring each agent to have its own parent rights
  - $link_1(\mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{A}_1) = \mathbf{A}_1/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_2) \wedge \mathbf{A}_2/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_2)$
  - $link_1(\mathbf{A}_3, \mathbf{A}_2) = \mathbf{A}_2/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_3) \wedge \mathbf{A}_3/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_3)$
  - $link_2(\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{A}_3) = \mathbf{A}_3/t \in dom(\mathbf{S}) \wedge \mathbf{C}/t \in dom(\mathbf{C})$
  - $link_3(\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{C}/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_1)$
  - $link_3(\mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{C}/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_2)$
  - $link_3(\mathbf{A}_3, \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{C}/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_3)$
  - $link_4(\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{P}_1) = \mathbf{P}_1/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_1) \wedge \mathbf{A}_1/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_1)$
  - $link_4(\mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{P}_2) = \mathbf{P}_2/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_2) \wedge \mathbf{A}_2/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_2)$
  - $link_4(\mathbf{A}_3, \mathbf{P}_3) = \mathbf{P}_3/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_3) \wedge \mathbf{A}_3/t \in dom(\mathbf{A}_3)$

# Filter Functions

- $f_1(a_2, a_1) = a_1/t \cup c/Rtc$
- $f_1(a_3, a_2) = a_2/t \cup c/Rtc$
- $f_2(s, a_3) = a_3/t \cup c/Rtc$
- $f_3(a_1, c) = p_1/R_{4,1}$
- $f_3(a_2, c) = p_2/R_{4,2}$
- $f_3(a_3, c) = p_3/R_{4,3}$
- $f_4(a_1, p_1) = c/R_{1,1} \cup p_1/R_{2,1}$
- $f_4(a_2, p_2) = c/R_{1,2} \cup p_2/R_{2,2}$
- $f_4(a_3, p_3) = c/R_{1,3} \cup p_3/R_{2,3}$

# Construction

Create  $\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{A}_3, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{C}$ ; then

- $\mathbf{P}_1$  has no relevant tickets
- $\mathbf{P}_2$  has no relevant tickets
- $\mathbf{P}_3$  has no relevant tickets
- $\mathbf{A}_1$  has  $\mathbf{P}_1/Rtc$
- $\mathbf{A}_2$  has  $\mathbf{P}_2/Rtc \cup \mathbf{A}_1/tc$
- $\mathbf{A}_3$  has  $\mathbf{P}_3/Rtc \cup \mathbf{A}_2/tc$
- $\mathbf{S}$  has  $\mathbf{A}_3/tc \cup \mathbf{C}/Rtc$
- $\mathbf{C}$  has  $\mathbf{C}/R_3t$

# Construction

- Only  $link_2(\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{A}_3)$  true  $\Rightarrow$  apply  $f_2$ 
  - $\mathbf{A}_3$  has  $\mathbf{P}_3/Rtc \cup \mathbf{A}_2/t \cup \mathbf{A}_3/t \cup \mathbf{C}/Rtc$
- Now  $link_1(\mathbf{A}_3, \mathbf{A}_2)$  true  $\Rightarrow$  apply  $f_1$ 
  - $\mathbf{A}_2$  has  $\mathbf{P}_2/Rtc \cup \mathbf{A}_1/tc \cup \mathbf{A}_2/t \cup \mathbf{C}/Rtc$
- Now  $link_1(\mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{A}_1)$  true  $\Rightarrow$  apply  $f_1$ 
  - $\mathbf{A}_1$  has  $\mathbf{P}_2/Rtc \cup \mathbf{A}_1/t \cup \mathbf{C}/Rtc$
- Now all  $link_3$ s true  $\Rightarrow$  apply  $f_3$ 
  - $\mathbf{C}$  has  $\mathbf{C}/R_3 \cup \mathbf{P}_1/R_{4,1} \cup \mathbf{P}_2/R_{4,2} \cup \mathbf{P}_3/R_{4,3}$



# Finish Construction

- Now  $link_4$  is true  $\Rightarrow$  apply  $f_4$ 
  - $\mathbf{P}_1$  has  $\mathbf{C}/R_{1,1} \cup \mathbf{P}_1/R_{2,1}$
  - $\mathbf{P}_2$  has  $\mathbf{C}/R_{1,2} \cup \mathbf{P}_2/R_{2,2}$
  - $\mathbf{P}_3$  has  $\mathbf{C}/R_{1,3} \cup \mathbf{P}_3/R_{2,3}$
- 3-parent joint create gives same rights to  $\mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2, \mathbf{P}_3, \mathbf{C}$
- If create of  $\mathbf{C}$  fails,  $link_2$  fails, so construction fails

# Theorem

- The two-parent joint creation operation can implement an  $n$ -parent joint creation operation with a fixed number of additional types and rights, and augmentations to the link predicates and filter functions.
- **Proof:** by construction, as above
  - Difference is that the two systems need not start at the same initial state

# Theorems

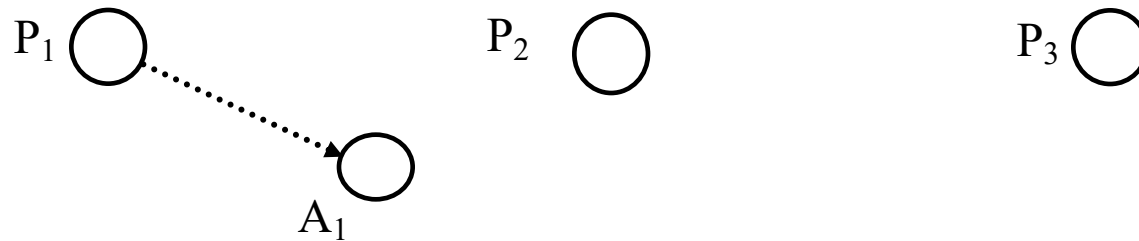
- Monotonic ESPM and the monotonic HRU model are equivalent.
- Safety question in ESPM also decidable if acyclic attenuating scheme
  - Proof similar to that for SPM

# Expressiveness

- Graph-based representation to compare models
- Graph
  - Vertex: represents entity, has static type
  - Edge: represents right, has static type
- Graph rewriting rules:
  - *Initial state operations* create graph in a particular state
  - *Node creation operations* add nodes, incoming edges
  - *Edge adding operations* add new edges between existing vertices

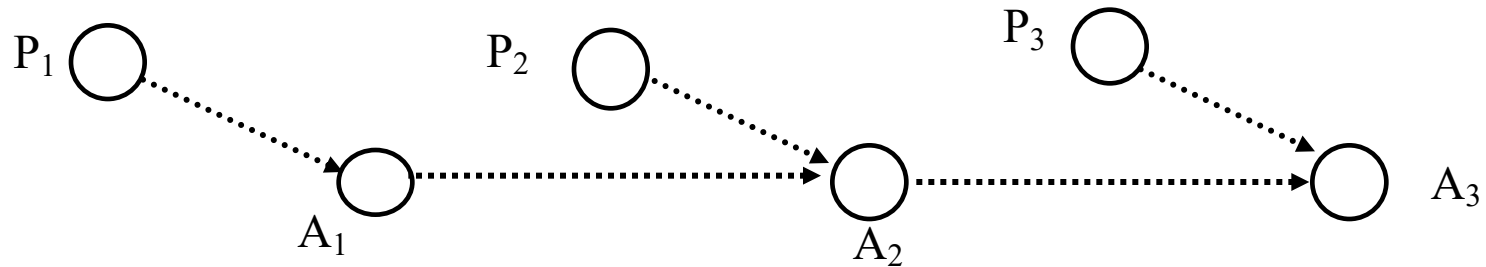
# Example: 3-Parent Joint Creation

- Simulate with 2-parent
  - Nodes  $\mathbf{P}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_3$  parents
  - Create node  $\mathbf{C}$  with type  $c$  with edges of type  $e$
  - Add node  $\mathbf{A}_1$  of type  $a$  and edge from  $\mathbf{P}_1$  to  $\mathbf{A}_1$  of type  $e'$



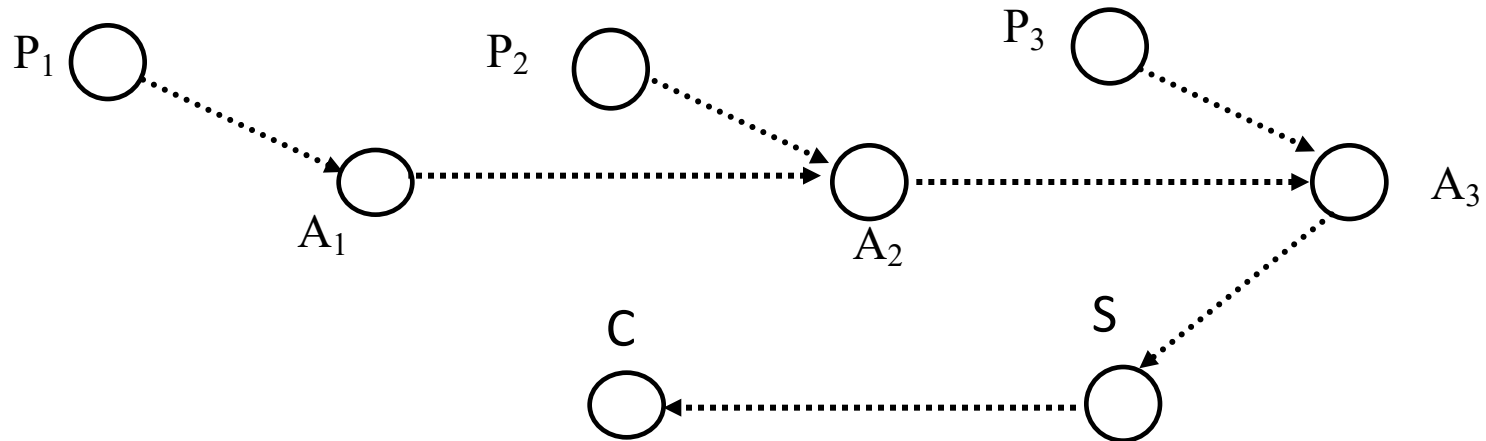
# Next Step

- $\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{P}_2$  create  $\mathbf{A}_2$ ;  $\mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{P}_3$  create  $\mathbf{A}_3$
- Type of nodes, edges are  $a$  and  $e'$



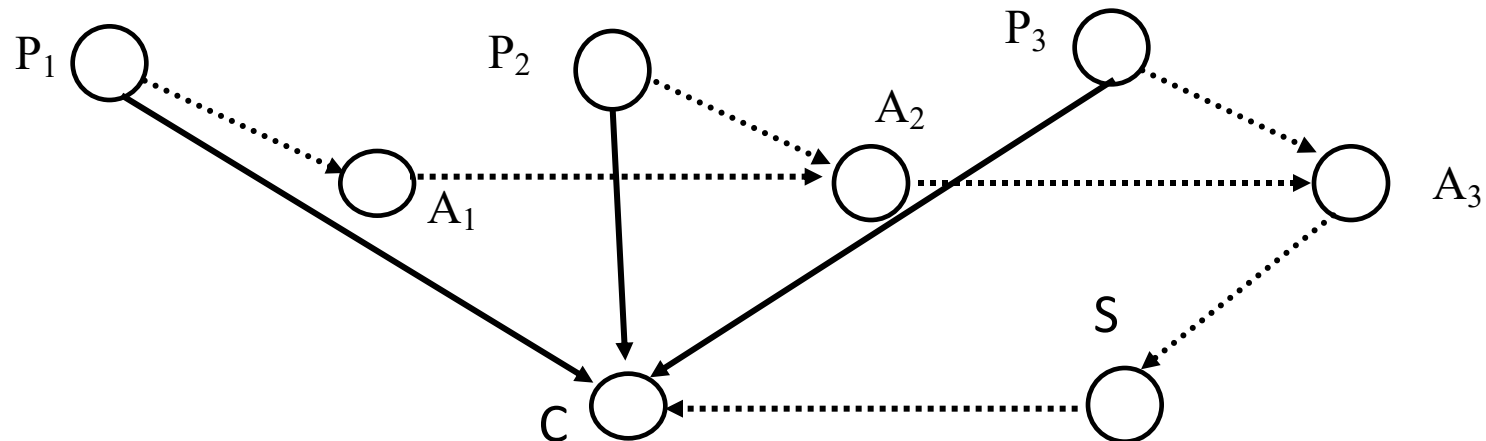
# Next Step

- **A<sub>3</sub>** creates **S**, of type *a*
- **S** creates **C**, of type *c*



# Last Step

- Edge adding operations:
  - $P_1 \rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_2 \rightarrow A_3 \rightarrow S \rightarrow C$ :  $P_1$  to  $C$  edge type  $e$
  - $P_2 \rightarrow A_2 \rightarrow A_3 \rightarrow S \rightarrow C$ :  $P_2$  to  $C$  edge type  $e$
  - $P_3 \rightarrow A_3 \rightarrow S \rightarrow C$ :  $P_3$  to  $C$  edge type  $e$





# Definitions

- *Scheme*: graph representation as above
- *Model*: set of schemes
- Schemes  $A, B$  *correspond* if graph for both is identical when all nodes with types not in  $A$  and edges with types in  $A$  are deleted

# Example

- Above 2-parent joint creation simulation in scheme *TWO*
- Equivalent to 3-parent joint creation scheme *THREE* in which  $\mathbf{P}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_3$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$  are of same type as in *TWO*, and edges from  $\mathbf{P}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{P}_3$  to  $\mathbf{C}$  are of type  $e$ , and no types  $a$  and  $e'$  exist in *TWO*

# Simulation

Scheme  $A$  simulates scheme  $B$  iff

- every state  $B$  can reach has a corresponding state in  $A$  that  $A$  can reach; and
- every state that  $A$  can reach either corresponds to a state  $B$  can reach, or has a successor state that corresponds to a state  $B$  can reach
  - The last means that  $A$  can have intermediate states not corresponding to states in  $B$ , like the intermediate ones in *TWO* in the simulation of *THREE*

# Expressive Power

- If there is a scheme in  $MA$  that no scheme in  $MB$  can simulate,  $MB$  *less expressive than*  $MA$
- If every scheme in  $MA$  can be simulated by a scheme in  $MB$ ,  $MB$  *as expressive as*  $MA$
- If  $MA$  as expressive as  $MB$  and *vice versa*,  $MA$  and  $MB$  *equivalent*

# Example

- Scheme  $A$  in model  $M$ 
  - Nodes  $\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_3$
  - 2-parent joint create
  - 1 node type, 1 edge type
  - No edge adding operations
  - Initial state:  $\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_3$ , no edges
- Scheme  $B$  in model  $N$ 
  - All same as  $A$  except no 2-parent joint create
  - 1-parent create
- Which is more expressive?

# Can $A$ Simulate $B$ ?

- Scheme  $A$  simulates 1-parent create: have both parents be same node
  - Model  $M$  as expressive as model  $N$

# Can $B$ Simulate $A$ ?

- Suppose  $\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2$  jointly create  $\mathbf{Y}$  in  $A$ 
  - Edges from  $\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2$  to  $\mathbf{Y}$ , no edge from  $\mathbf{X}_3$  to  $\mathbf{Y}$
- Can  $B$  simulate this?
  - Without loss of generality,  $\mathbf{X}_1$  creates  $\mathbf{Y}$
  - Must have edge adding operation to add edge from  $\mathbf{X}_2$  to  $\mathbf{Y}$
  - One type of node, one type of edge, so operation can add edge between any 2 nodes

# No

- All nodes in  $A$  have even number of incoming edges
  - 2-parent create adds 2 incoming edges
- Edge adding operation in  $B$  that can edge from  $X_2$  to  $C$  can add one from  $X_3$  to  $C$ 
  - $A$  cannot enter this state
  - $B$  cannot transition to a state in which  $Y$  has even number of incoming edges
    - No remove rule
- So  $B$  cannot simulate  $A$ ;  $N$  less expressive than  $M$

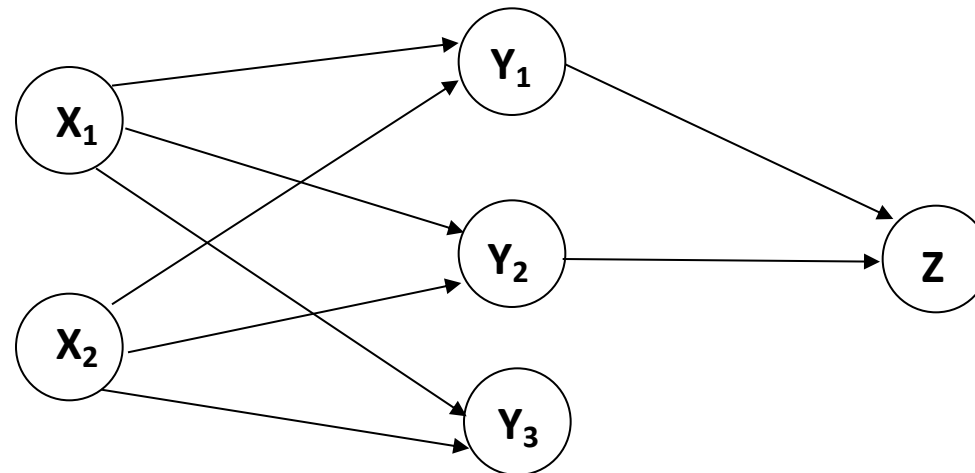


# Theorem

- Monotonic single-parent models are less expressive than monotonic multiparent models
- Proof by contradiction
  - Scheme  $A$  is multiparent model
  - Scheme  $B$  is single parent create
  - Claim:  $B$  can simulate  $A$ , without assumption that they start in the same initial state
    - Note: example assumed same initial state

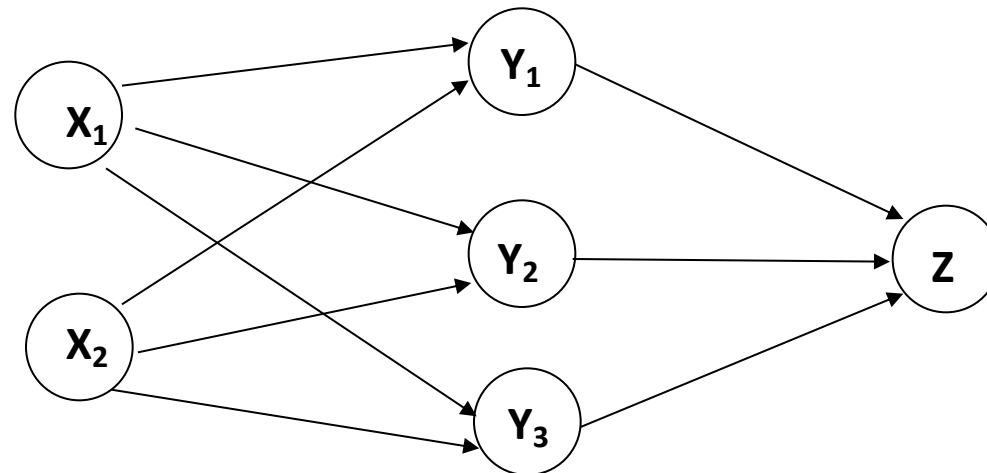
# Outline of Proof

- $X_1, X_2$  nodes in  $A$ 
  - They create  $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3$  using multiparent create rule
  - $Y_1, Y_2$  create  $Z$ , again using multiparent create rule
  - *Note:* no edge from  $Y_3$  to  $Z$  can be added, as  $A$  has no edge-adding operation



# Outline of Proof

- **W, X<sub>1</sub>, X<sub>2</sub>** nodes in *B*
  - **W** creates **Y<sub>1</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub>, Y<sub>3</sub>** using single parent create rule, and adds edges for **X<sub>1</sub>, X<sub>2</sub>** to all using edge adding rule
  - **Y<sub>1</sub>** creates **Z**, again using single parent create rule; now must add edge from **Y<sub>2</sub>** to **Z** to simulate *A*
  - Use same edge adding rule to add edge from **Y<sub>3</sub>** to **Z**: cannot duplicate this in scheme *A*!



# Meaning

- Scheme  $B$  cannot simulate scheme  $A$ , contradicting hypothesis
- ESPM more expressive than SPM
  - ESPM multiparent and monotonic
  - SPM monotonic but single parent