Knowledge Compilation for Probabilistic Databases

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- Probabilistic databases: model uncertainty about data
- Simplest model: tuple-independent databases (TID)
 - A relational database I
 - A probability valuation π mapping each fact of *I* to [0, 1]
- Semantics of a TID (I, π) : a probability distribution on $I' \subseteq I$:
 - Each fact $F \in I$ is either **present** or **absent** with probability $\pi(F)$
 - $\cdot\,$ Assume independence across facts

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Principal classes of compilation targets considered in knowledge compilation





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(Circuit courtesy of Antoine Amarilli)

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