# CS251**Great Ideas** 111 Theoretical Computer Science

# **Basics of Probability Theory: II**





#### Remember Last Lecture:

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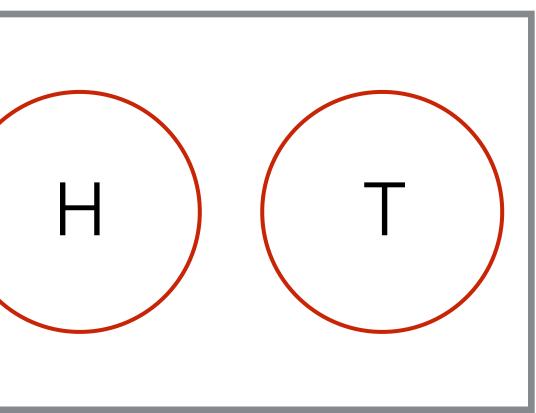


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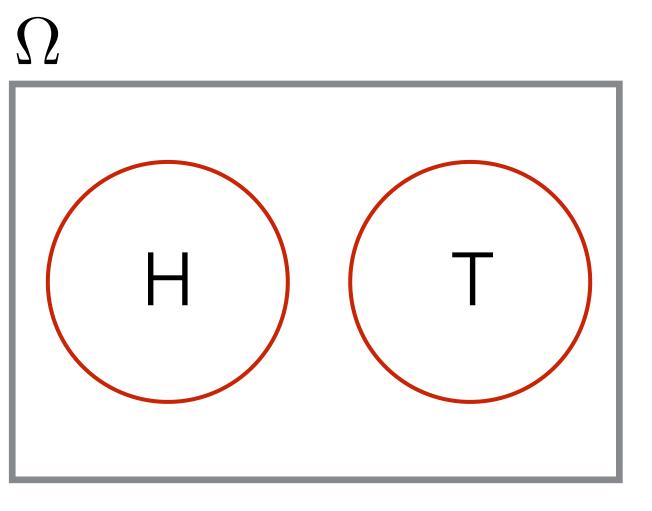
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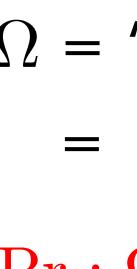
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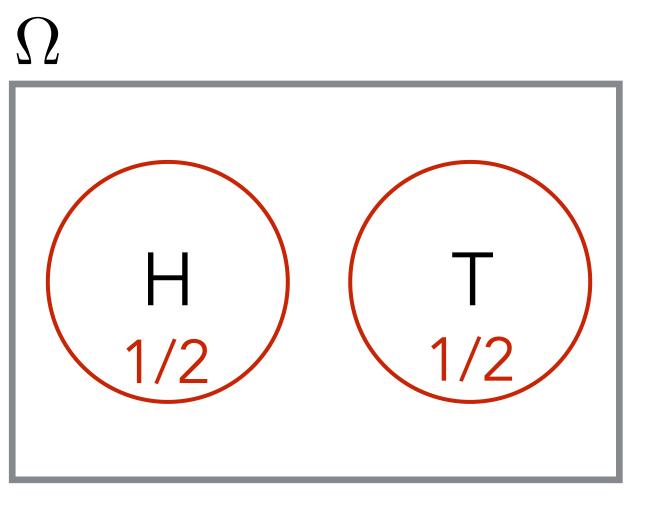
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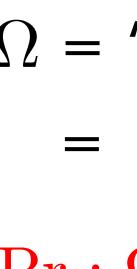




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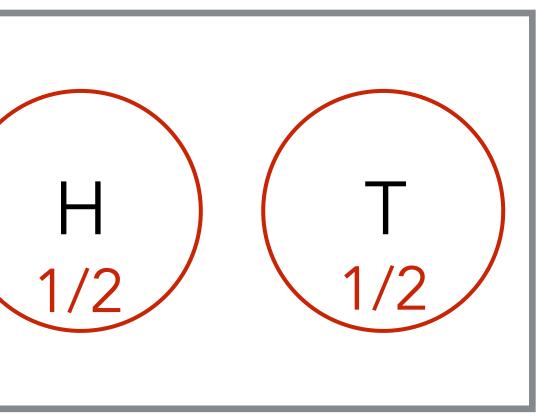


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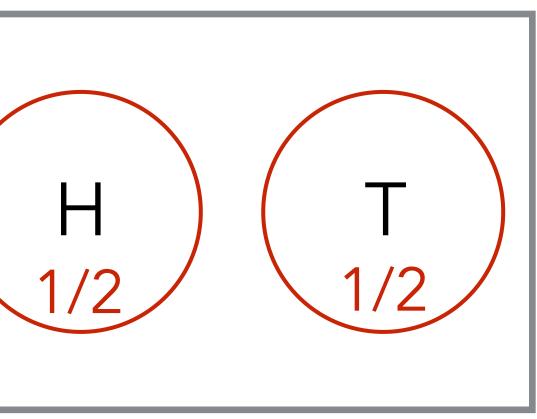


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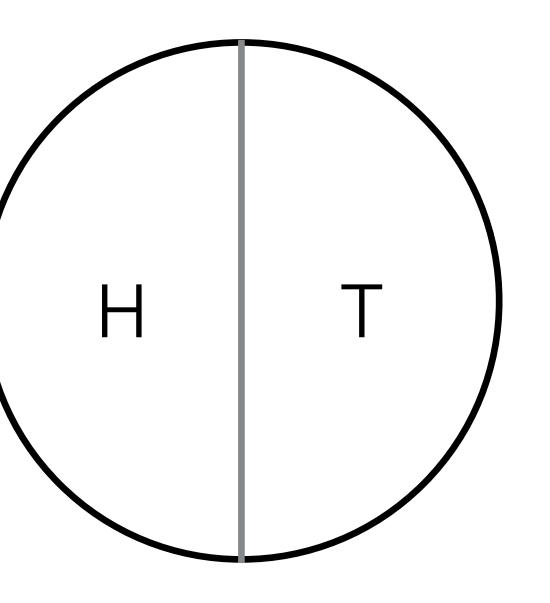


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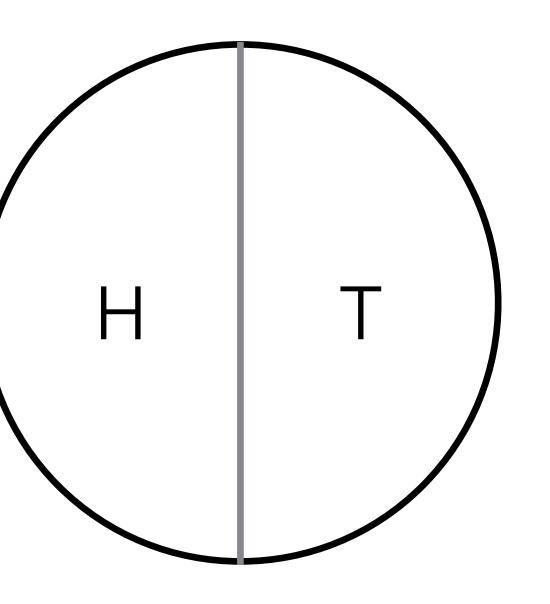
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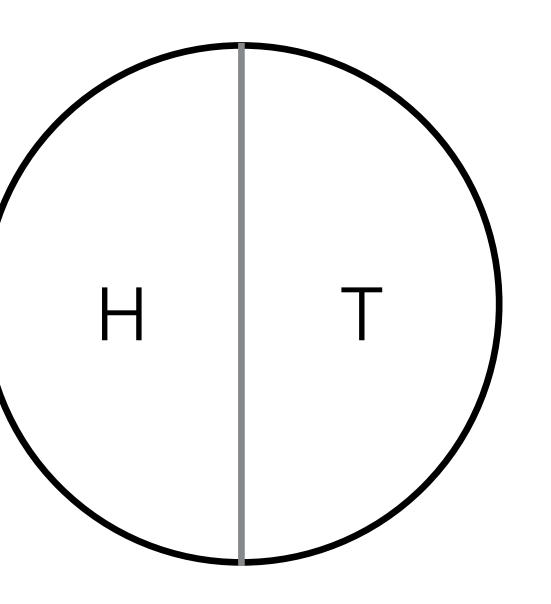


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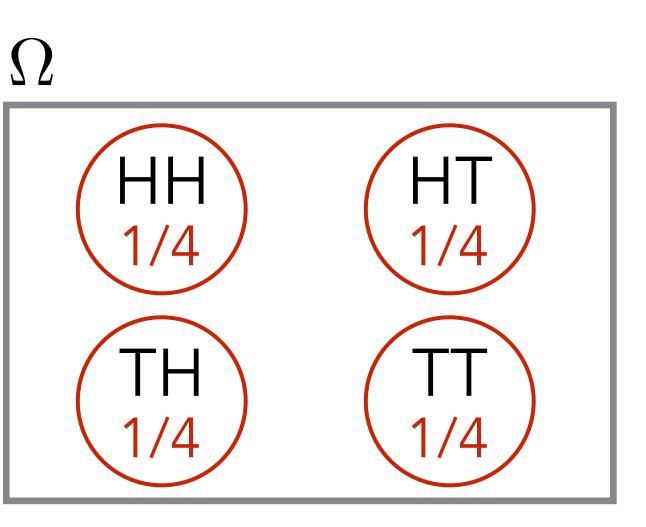


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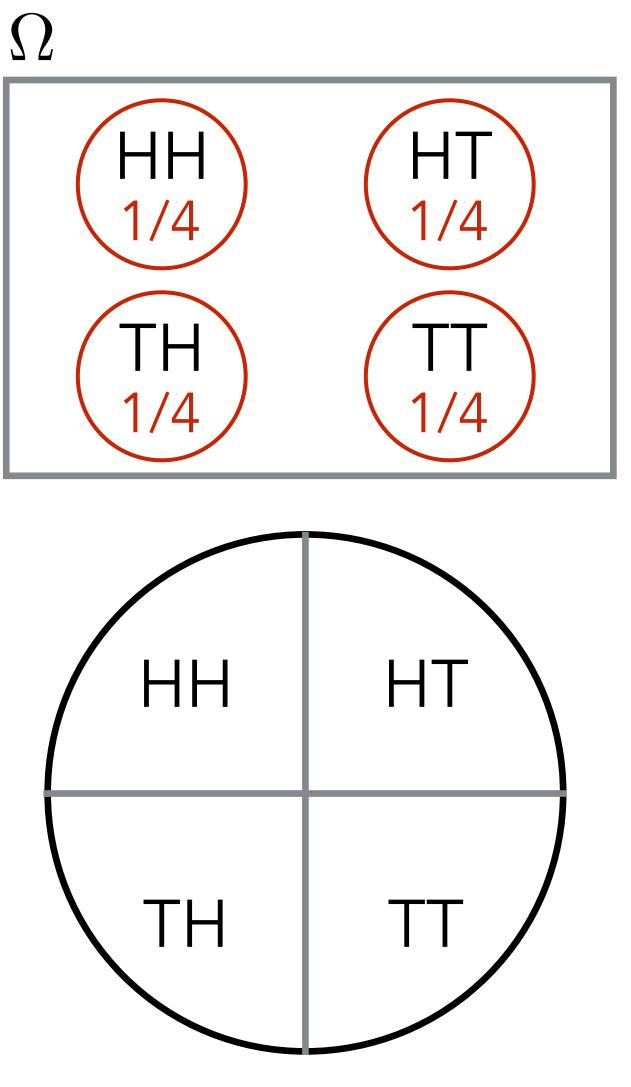


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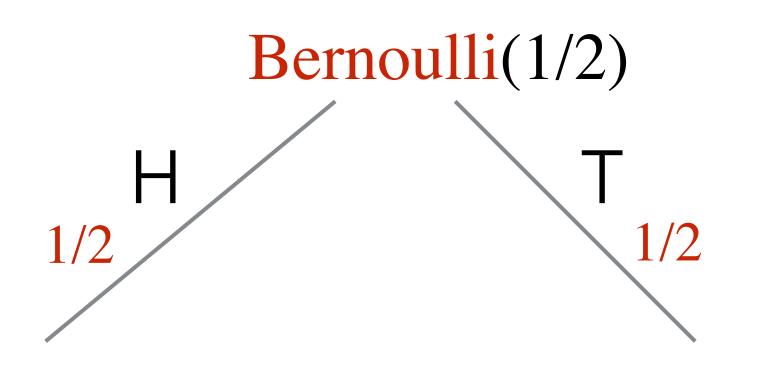


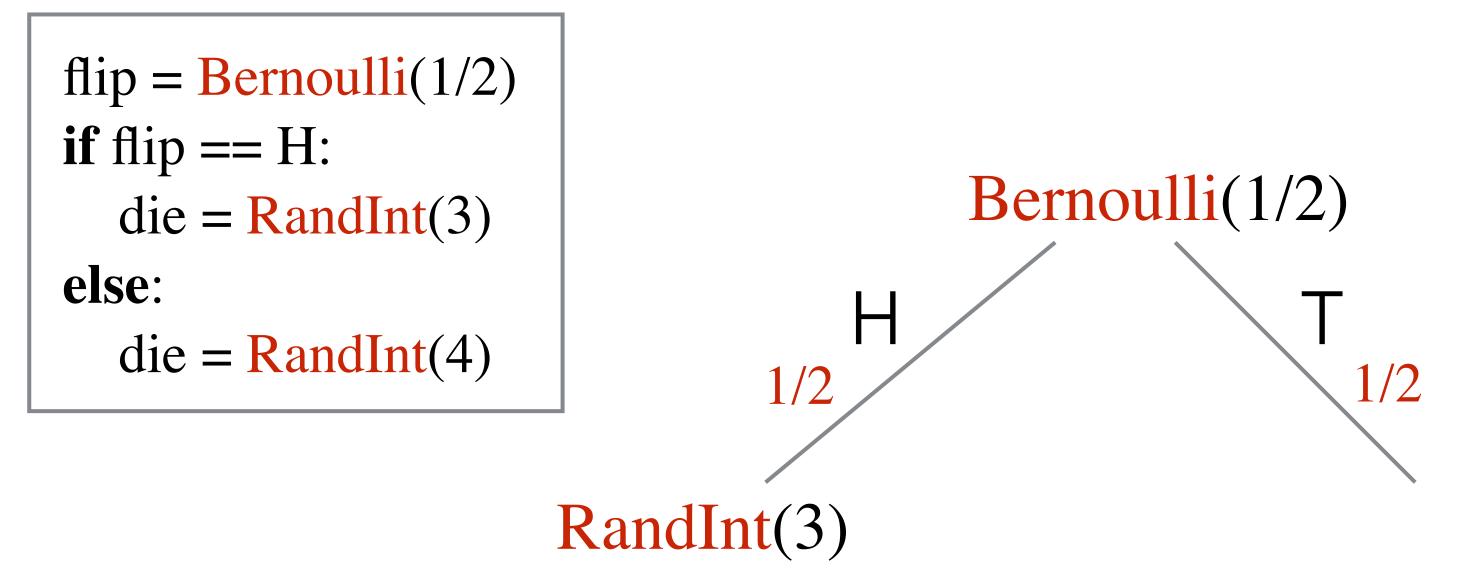
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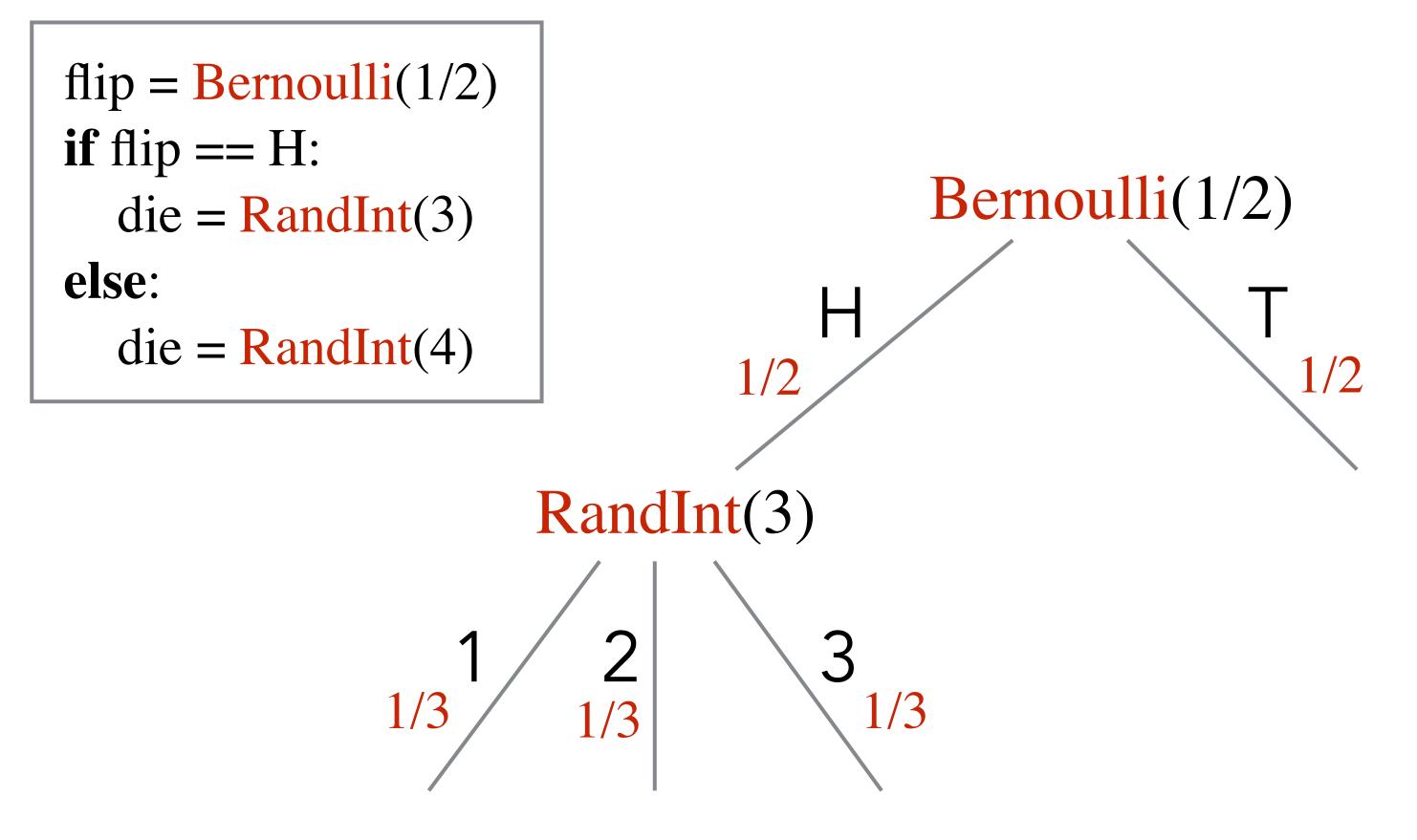
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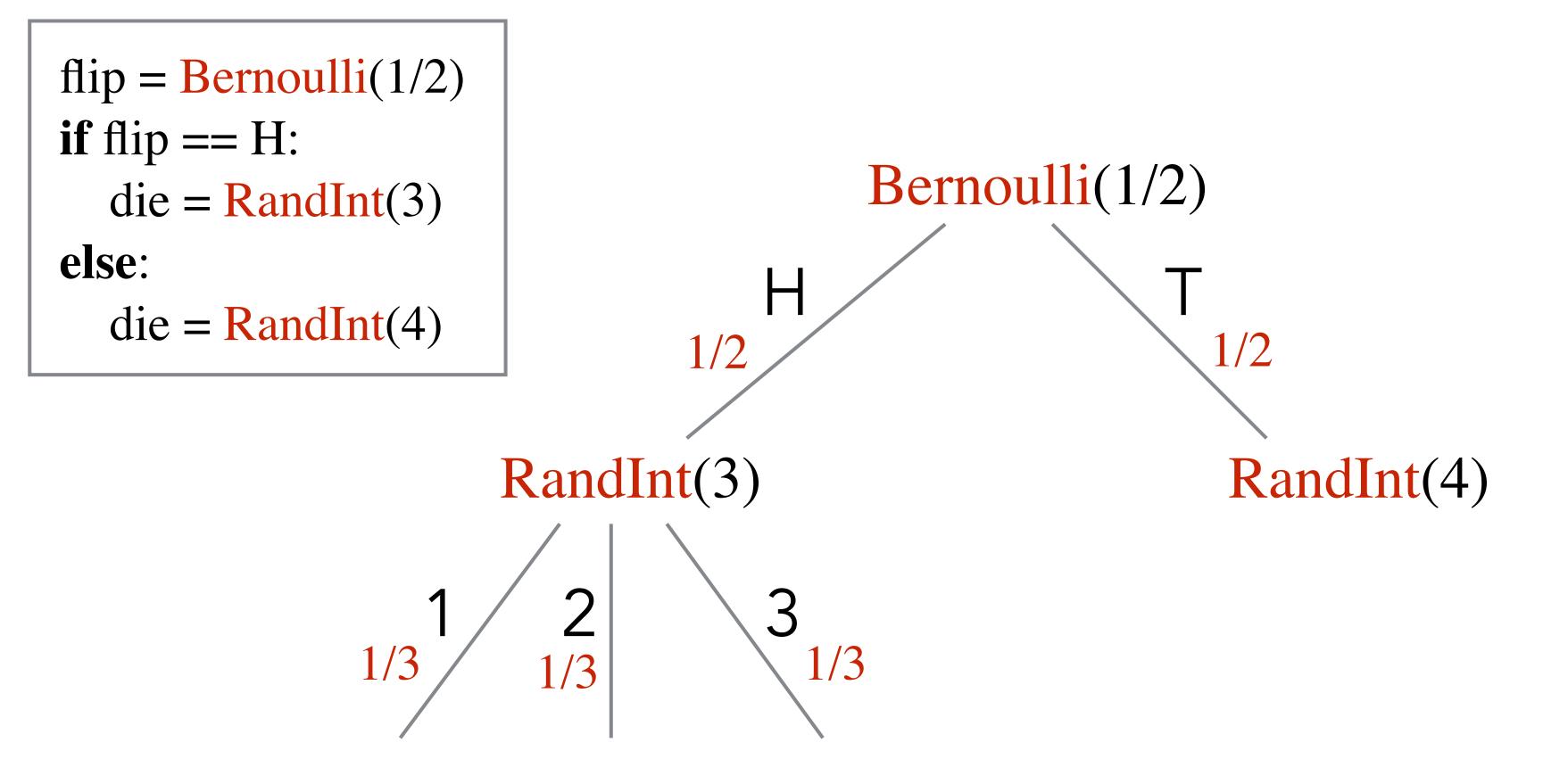
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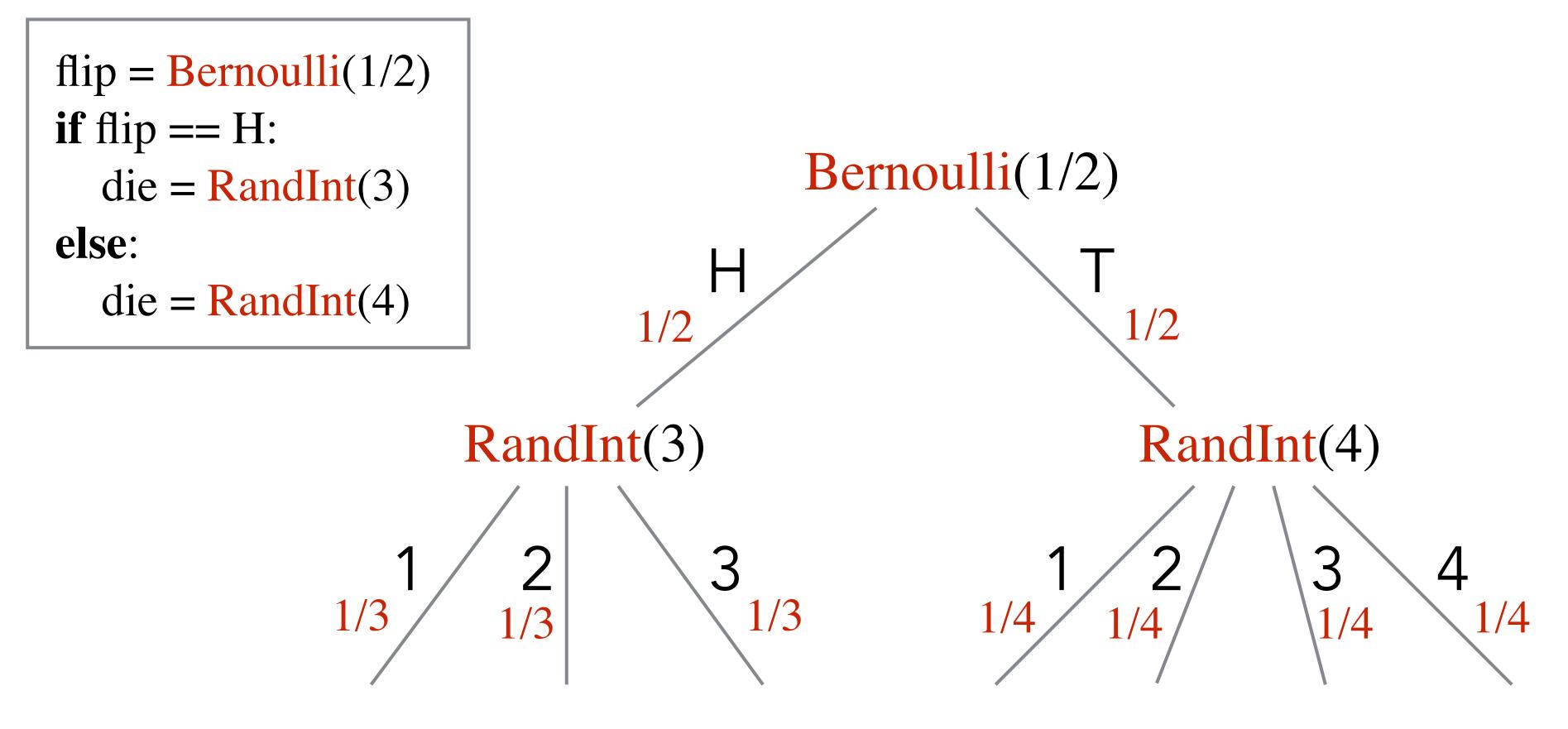
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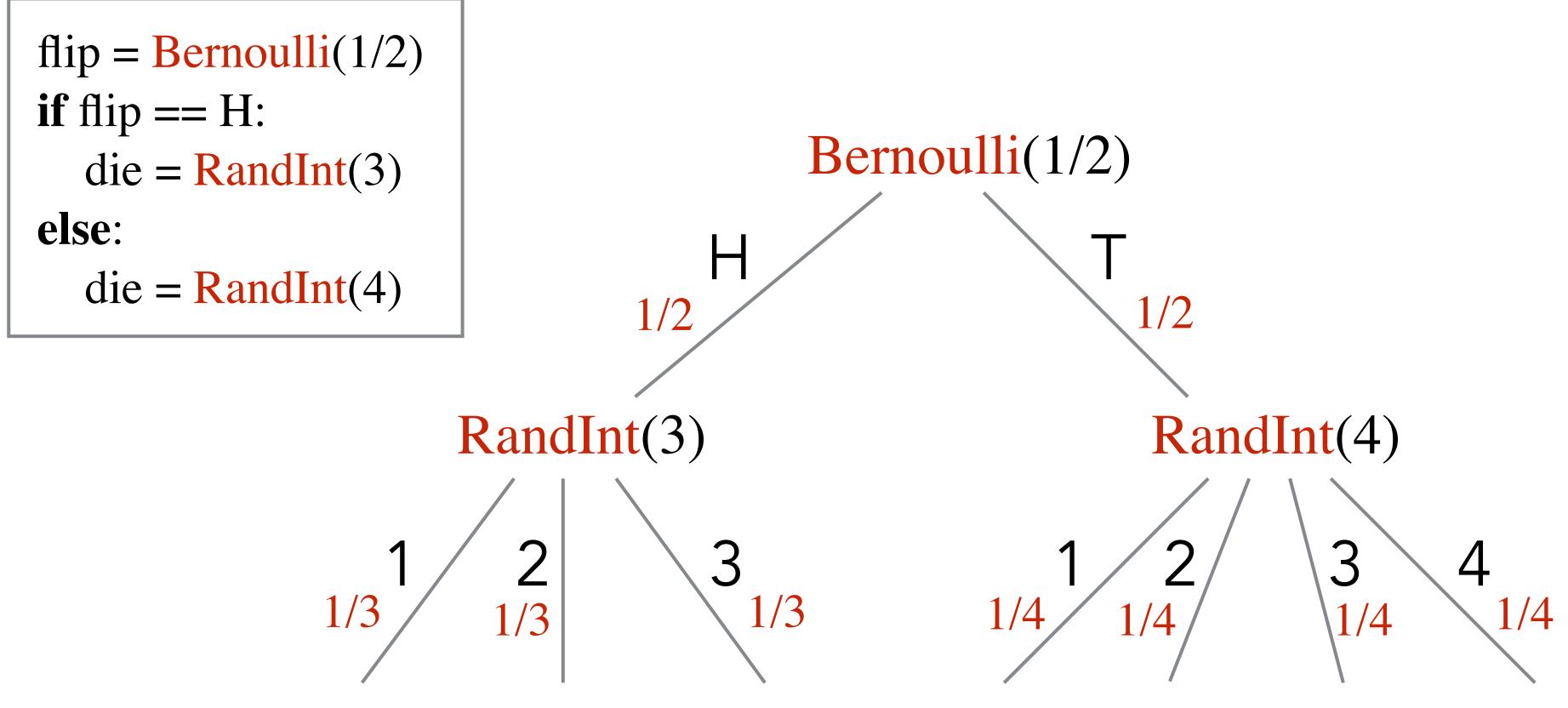




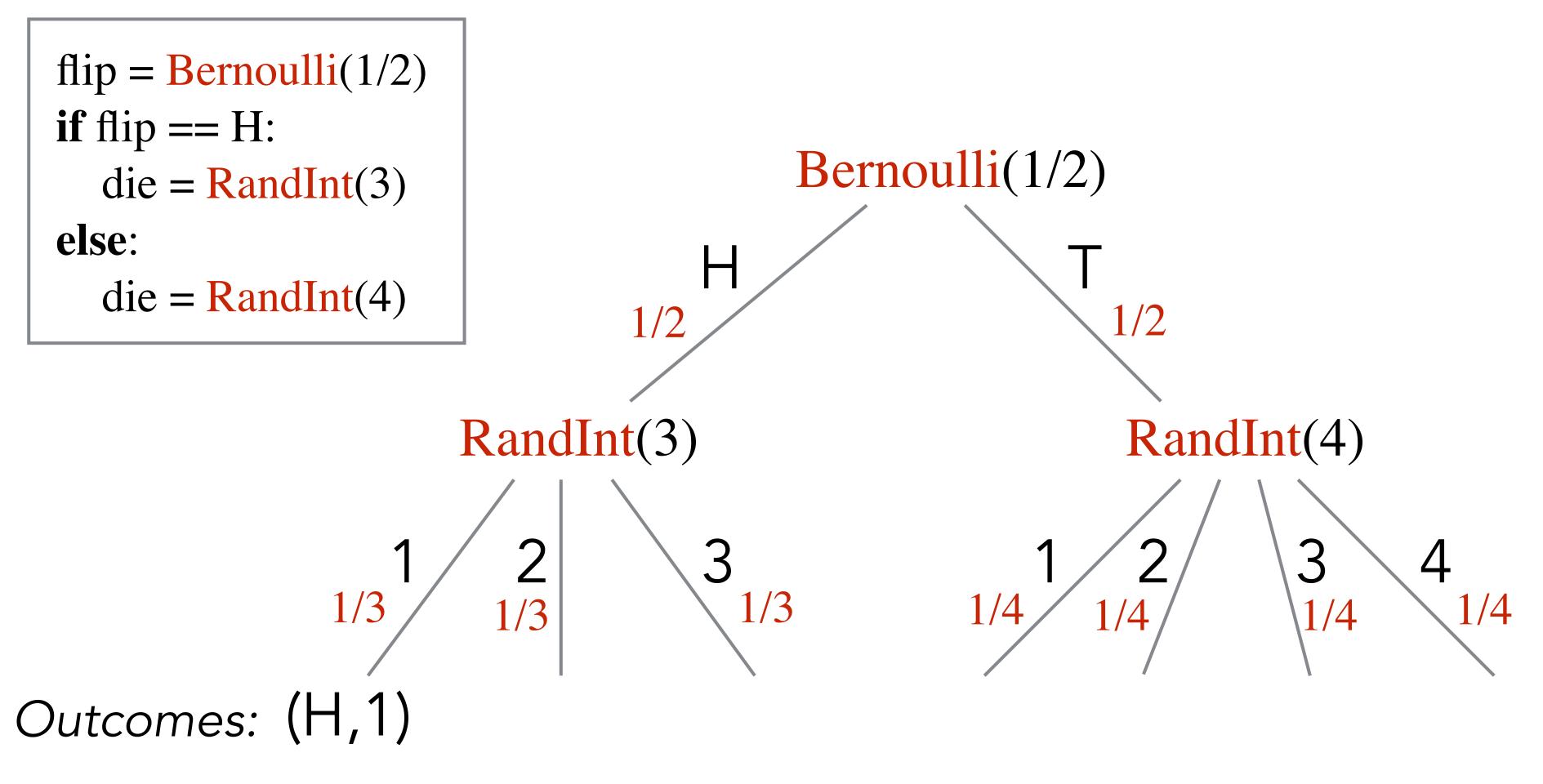


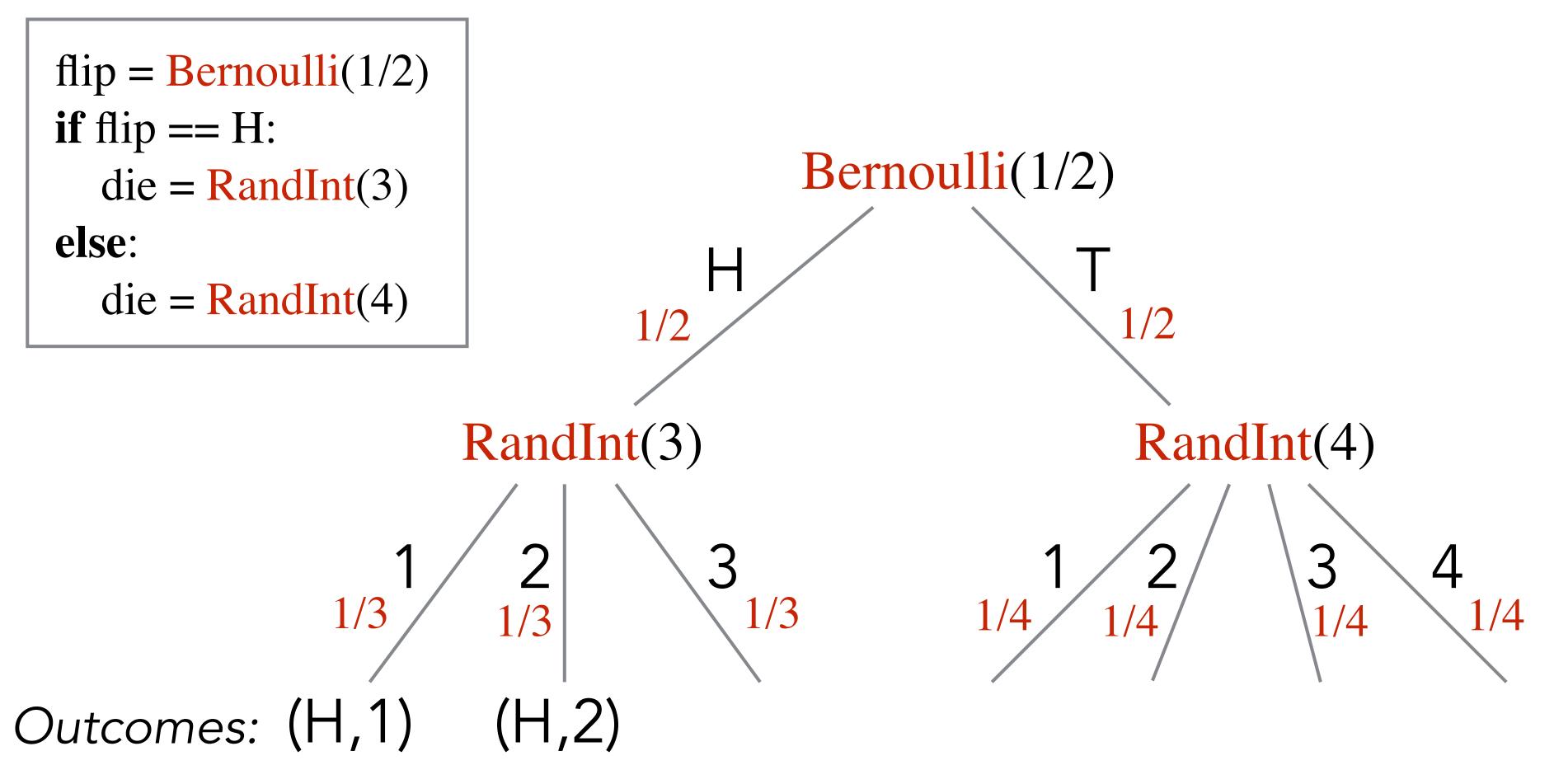


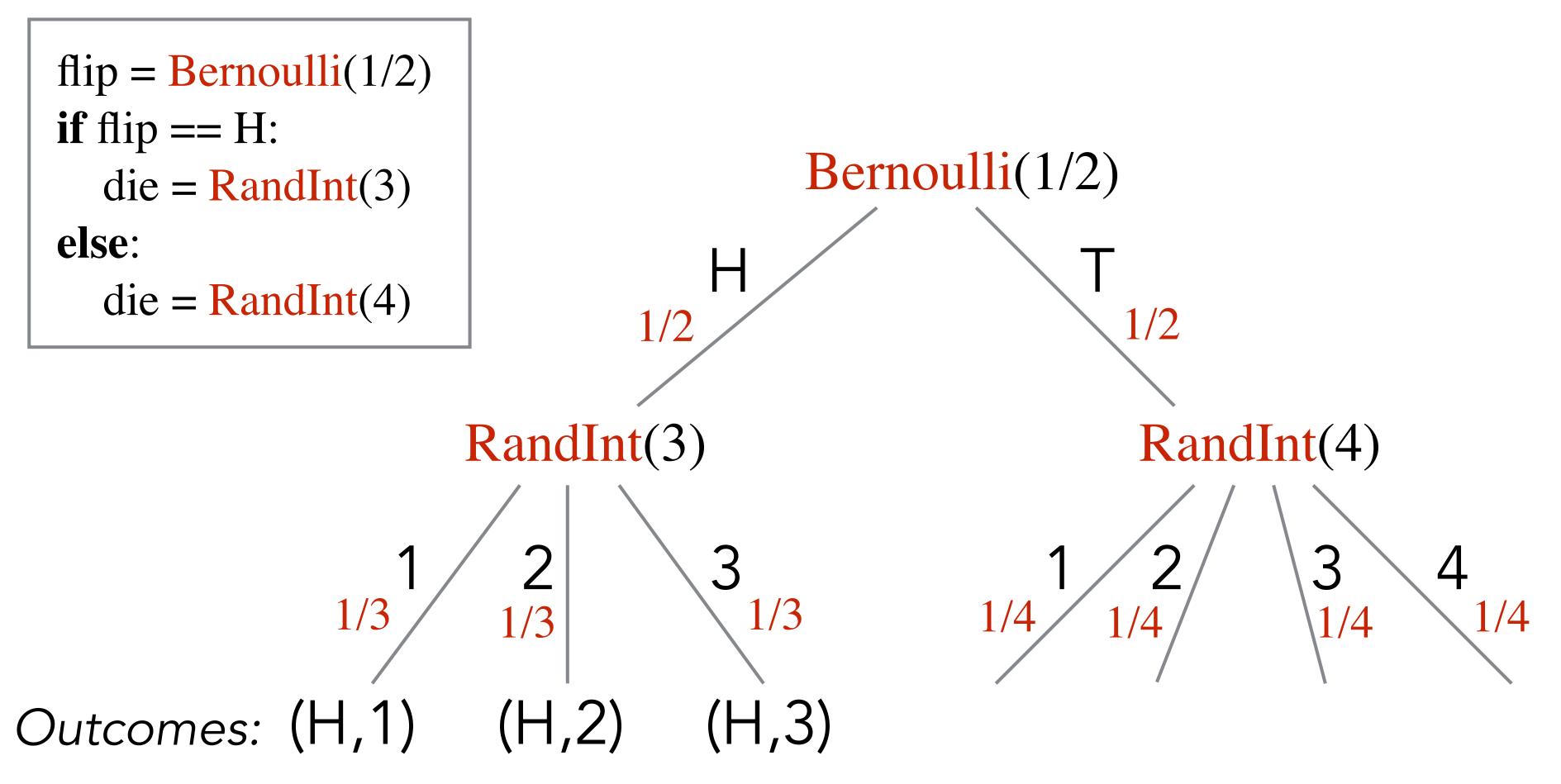


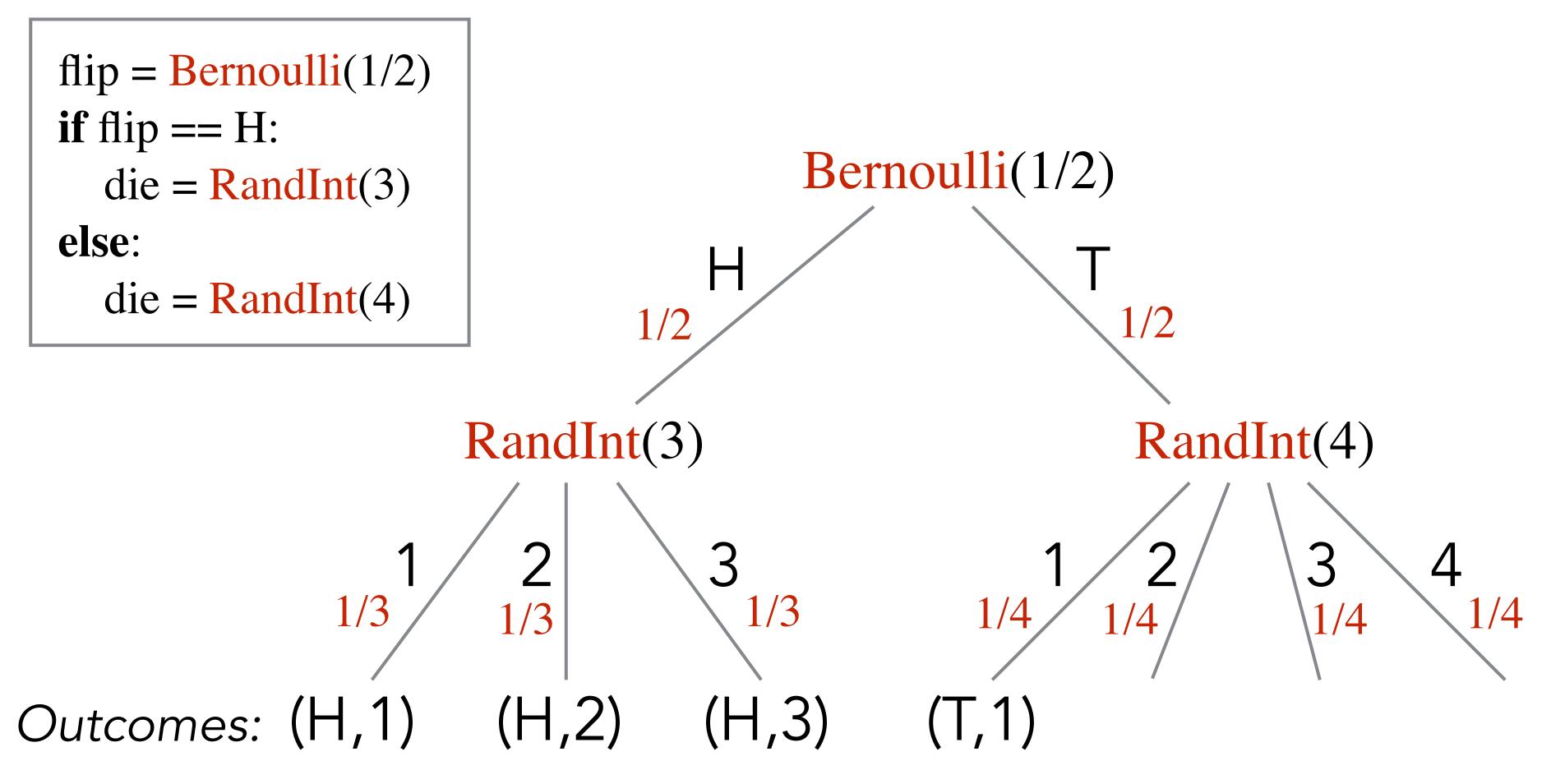


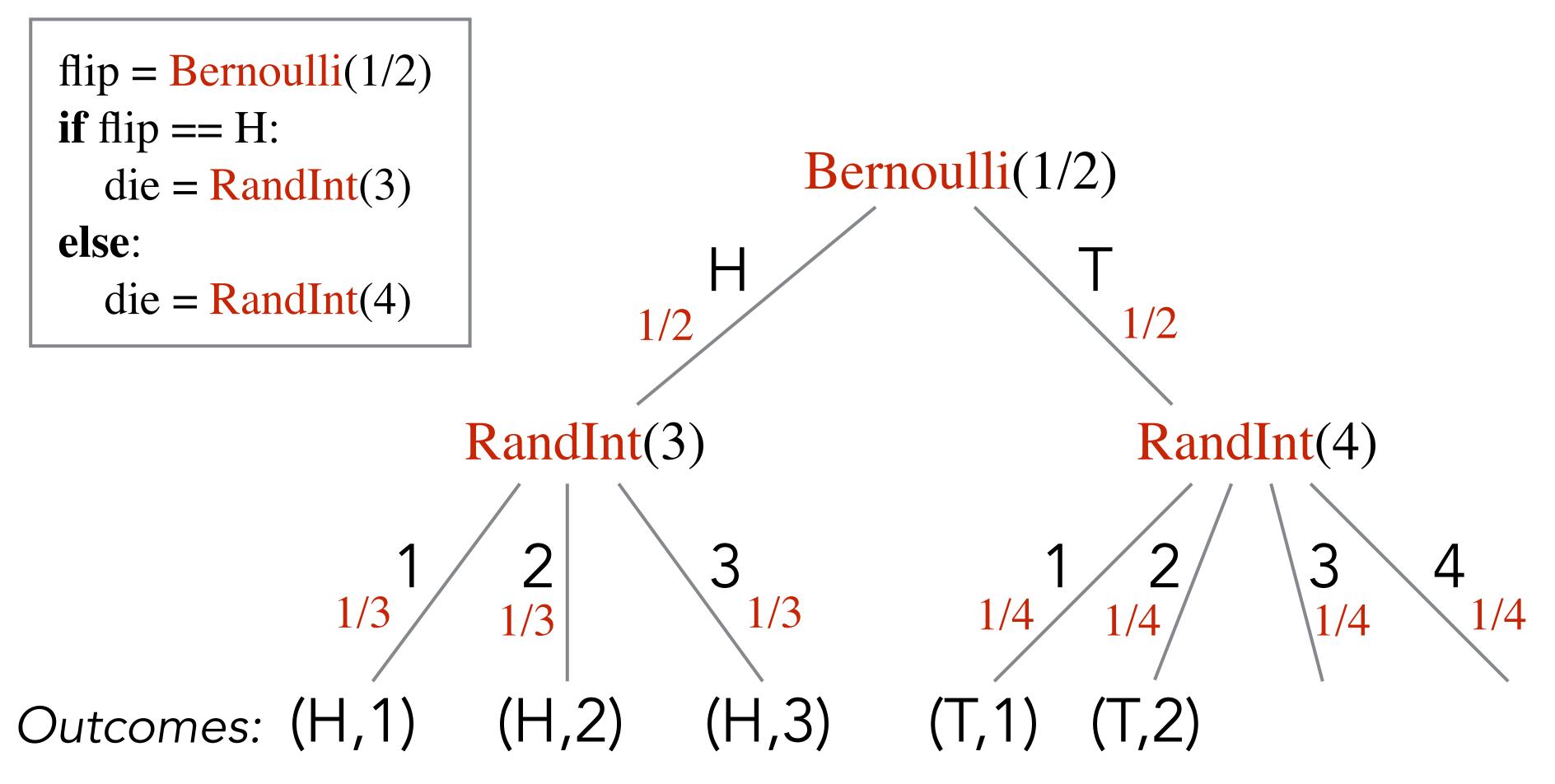
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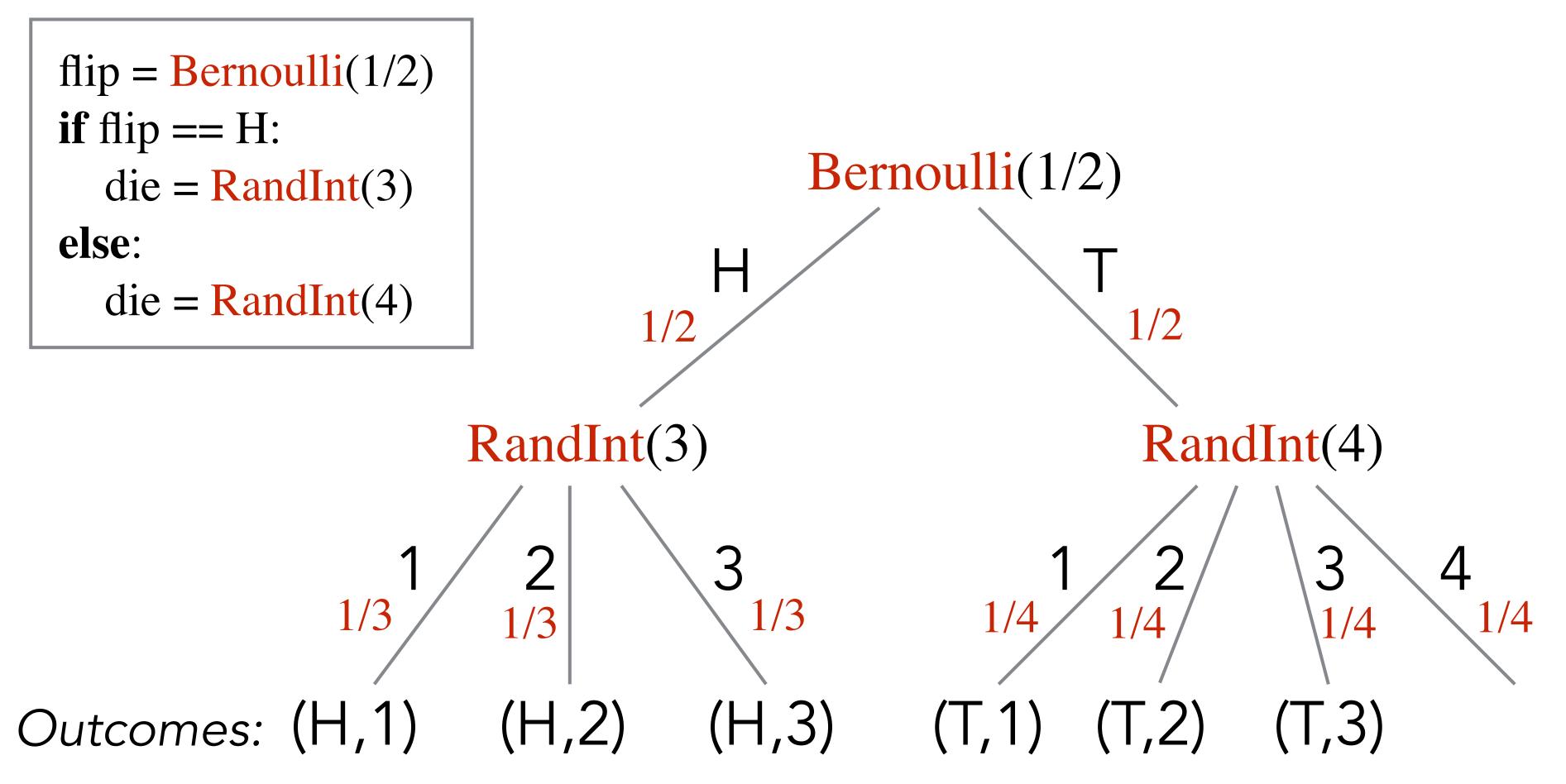


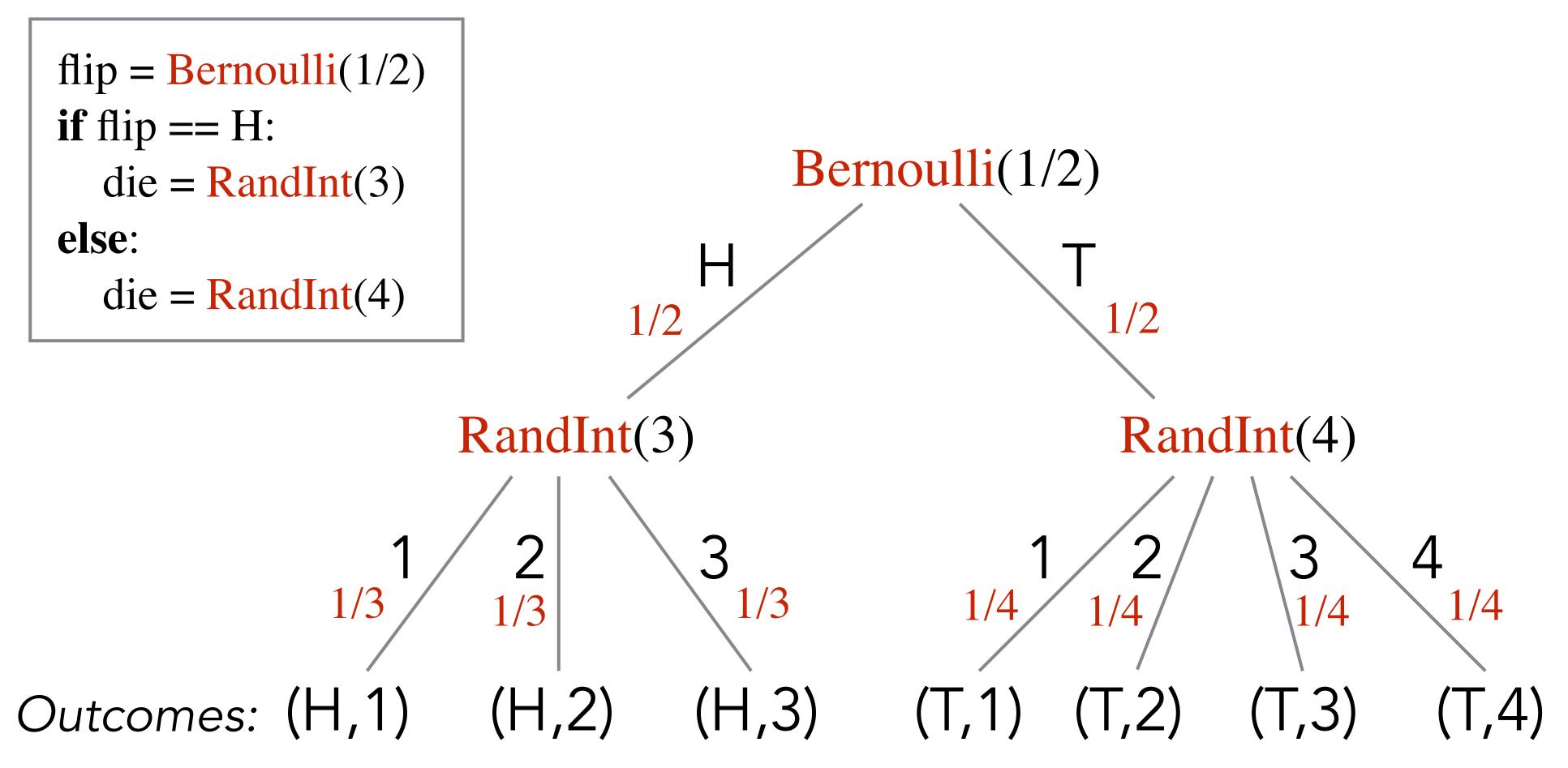


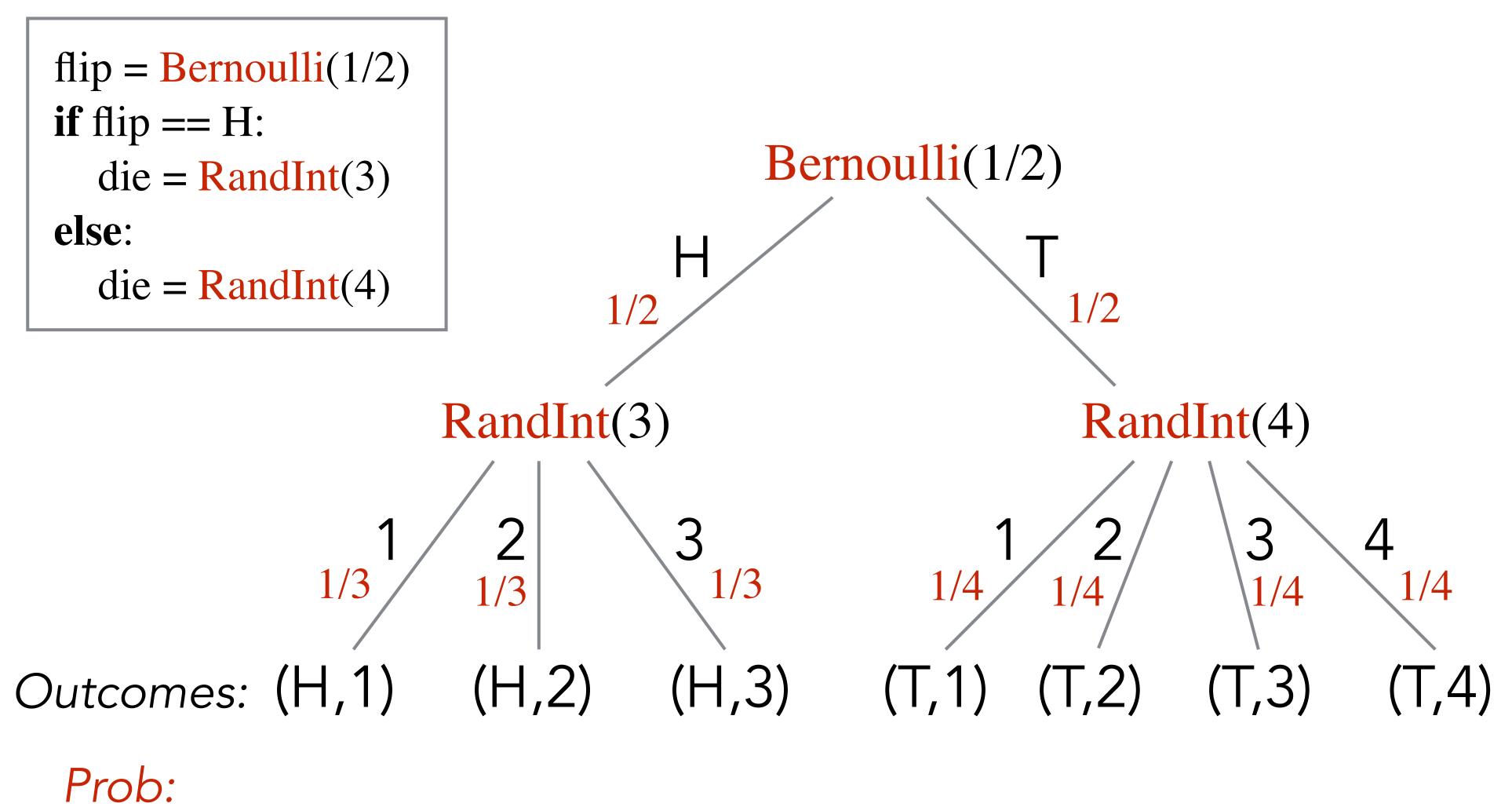


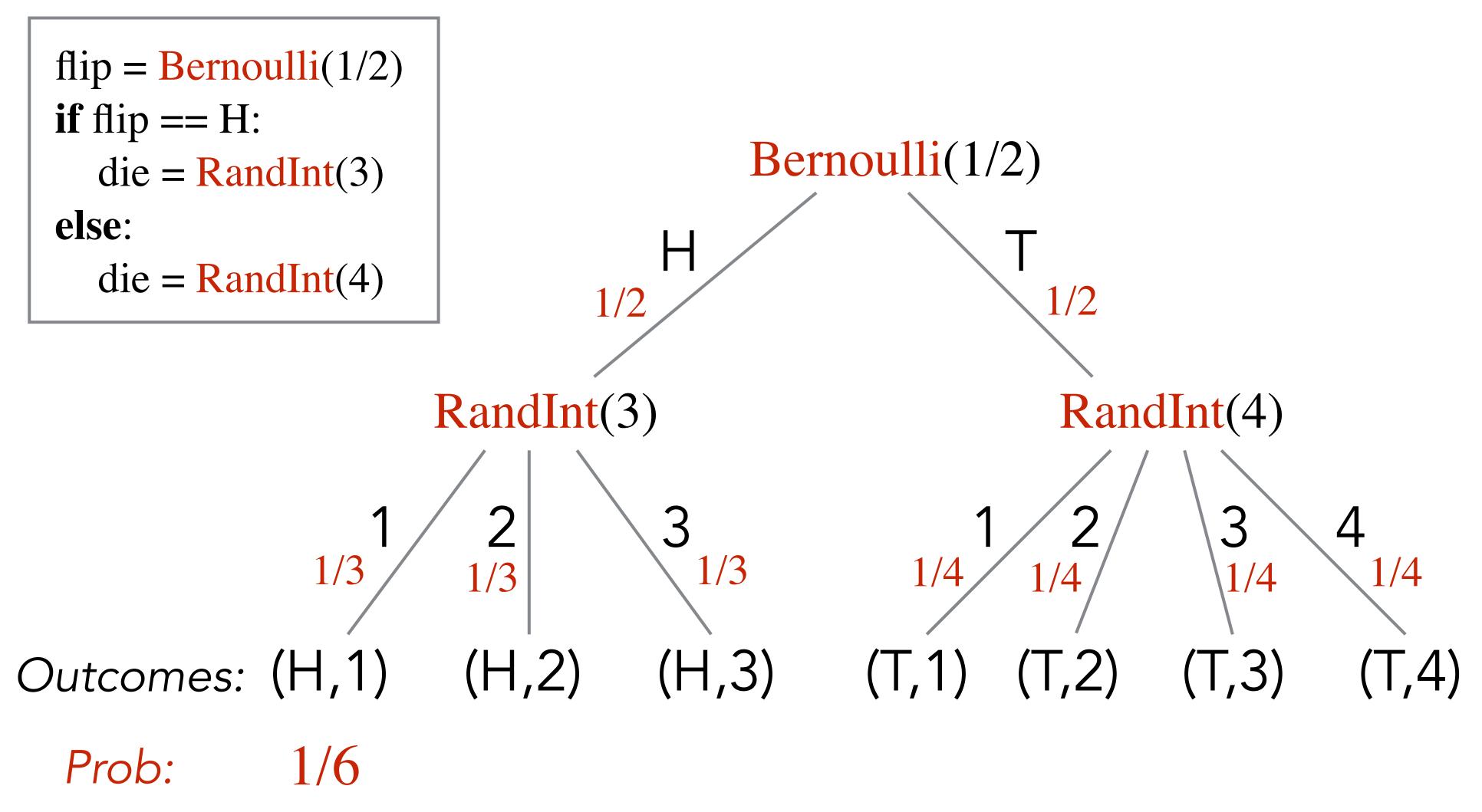


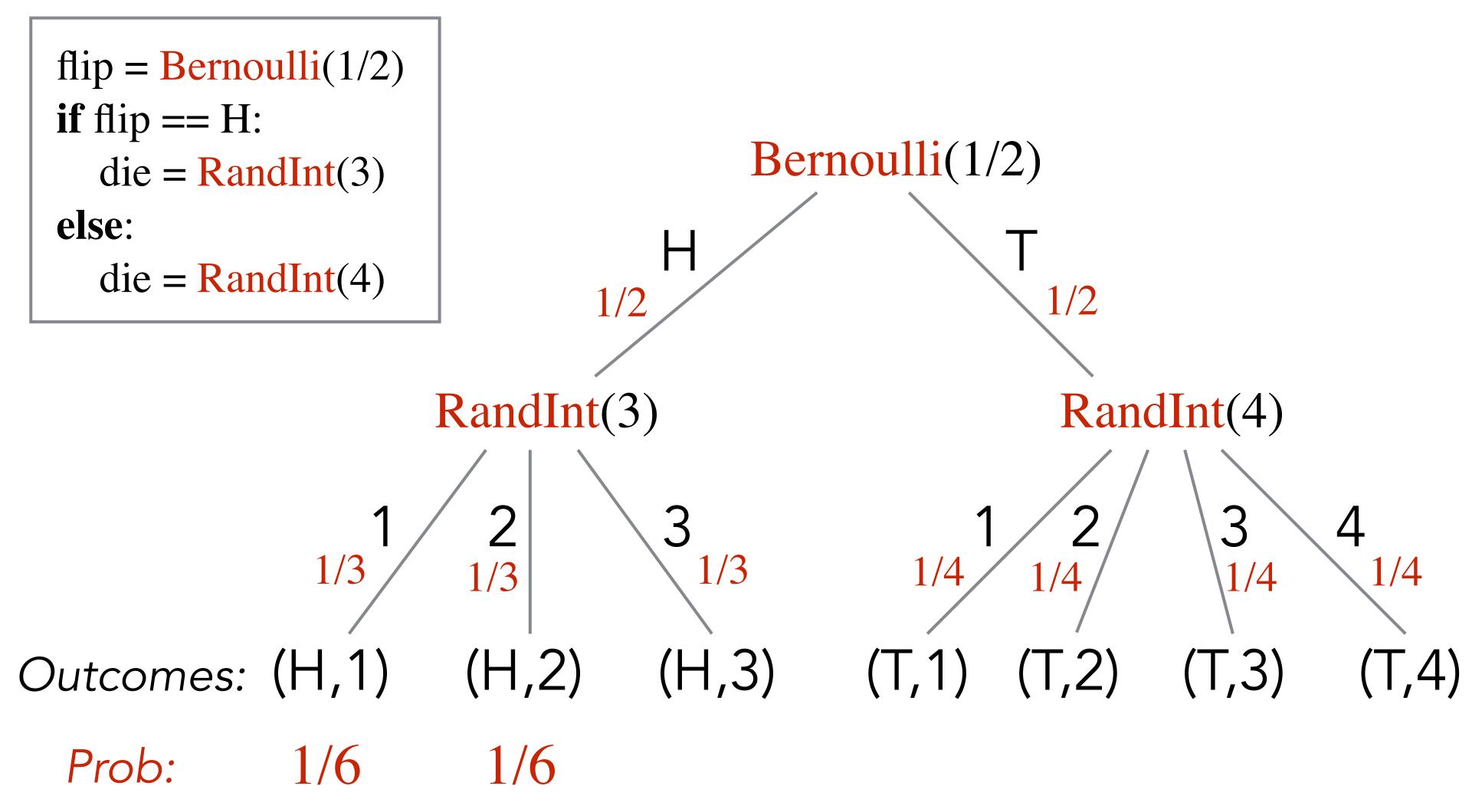


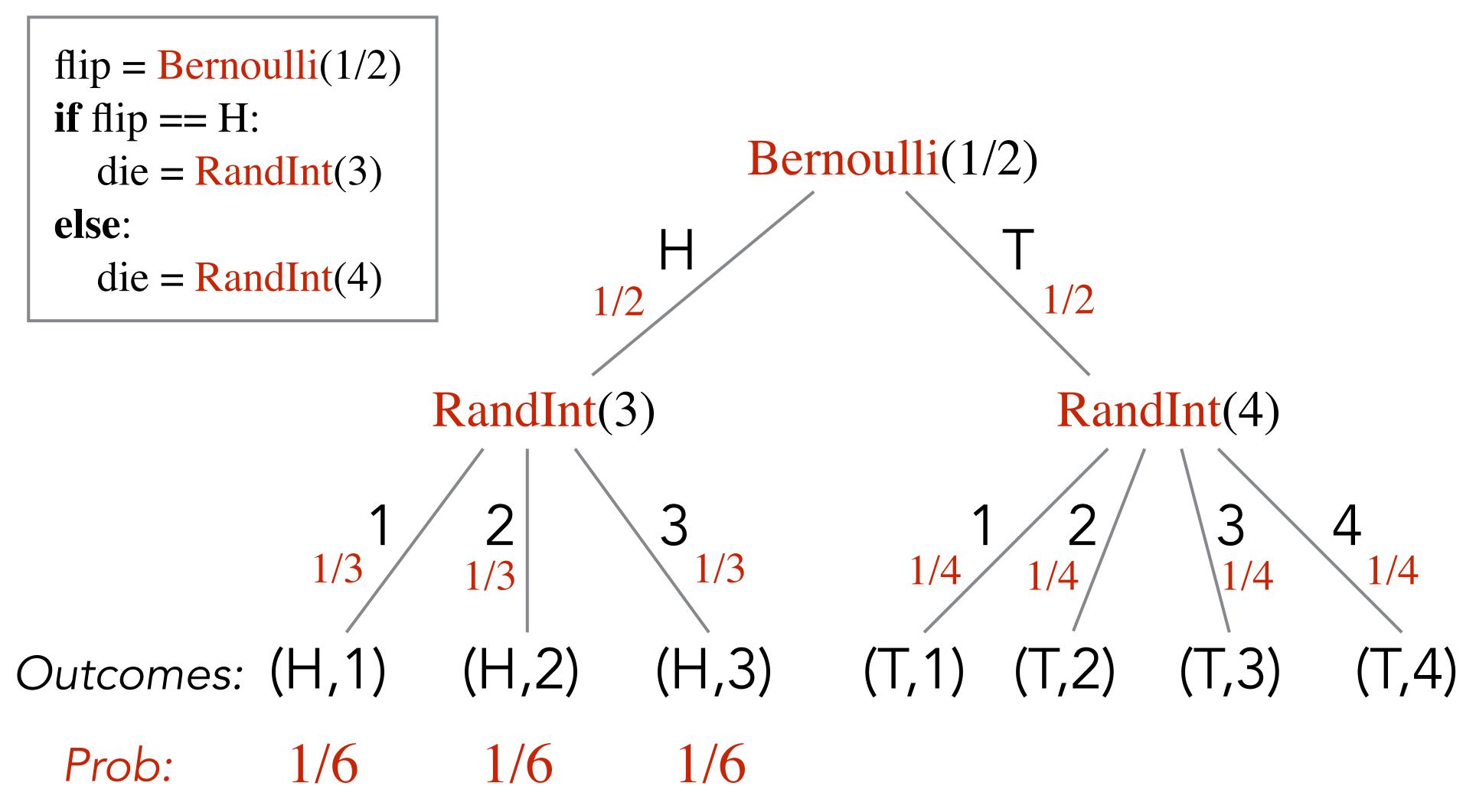




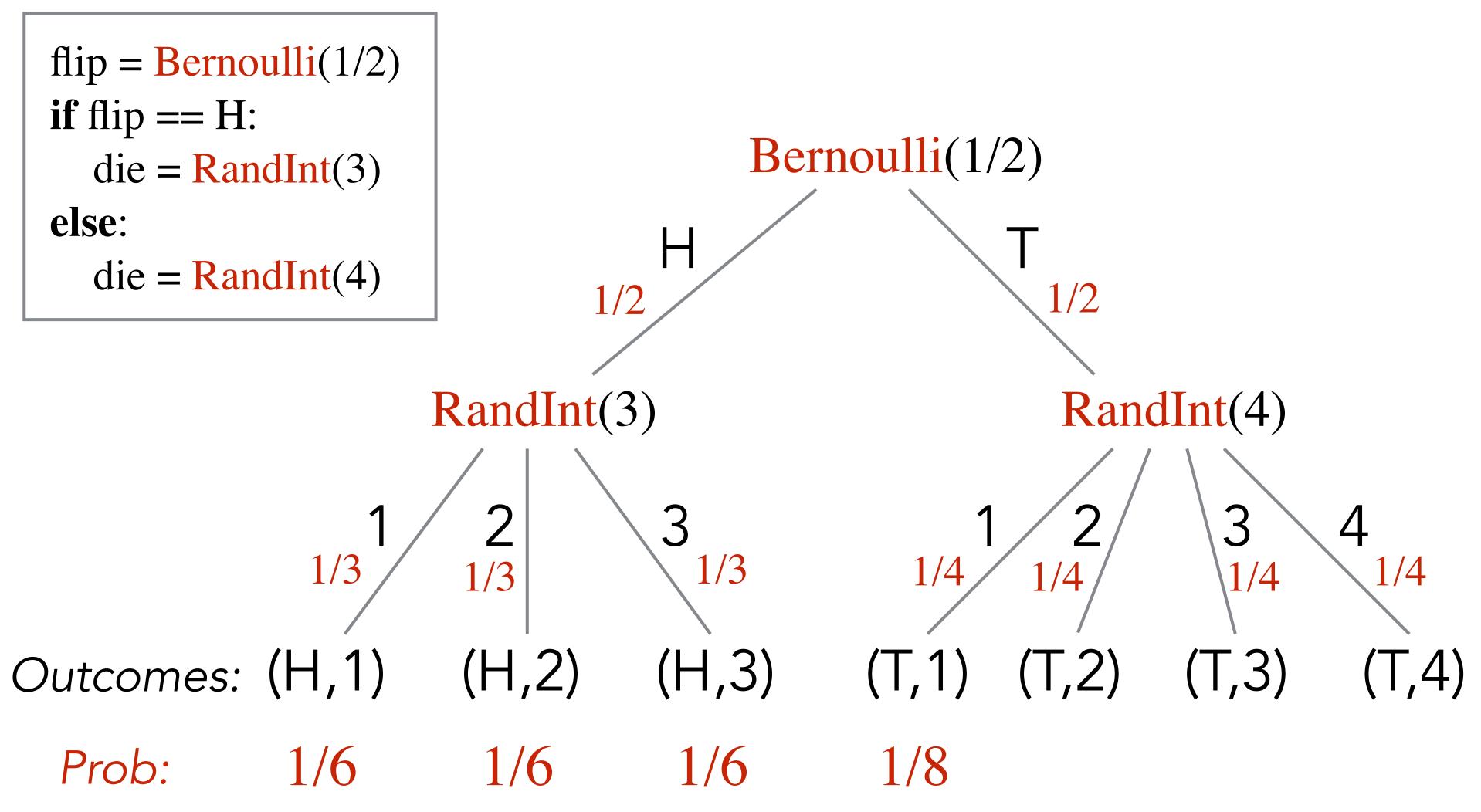




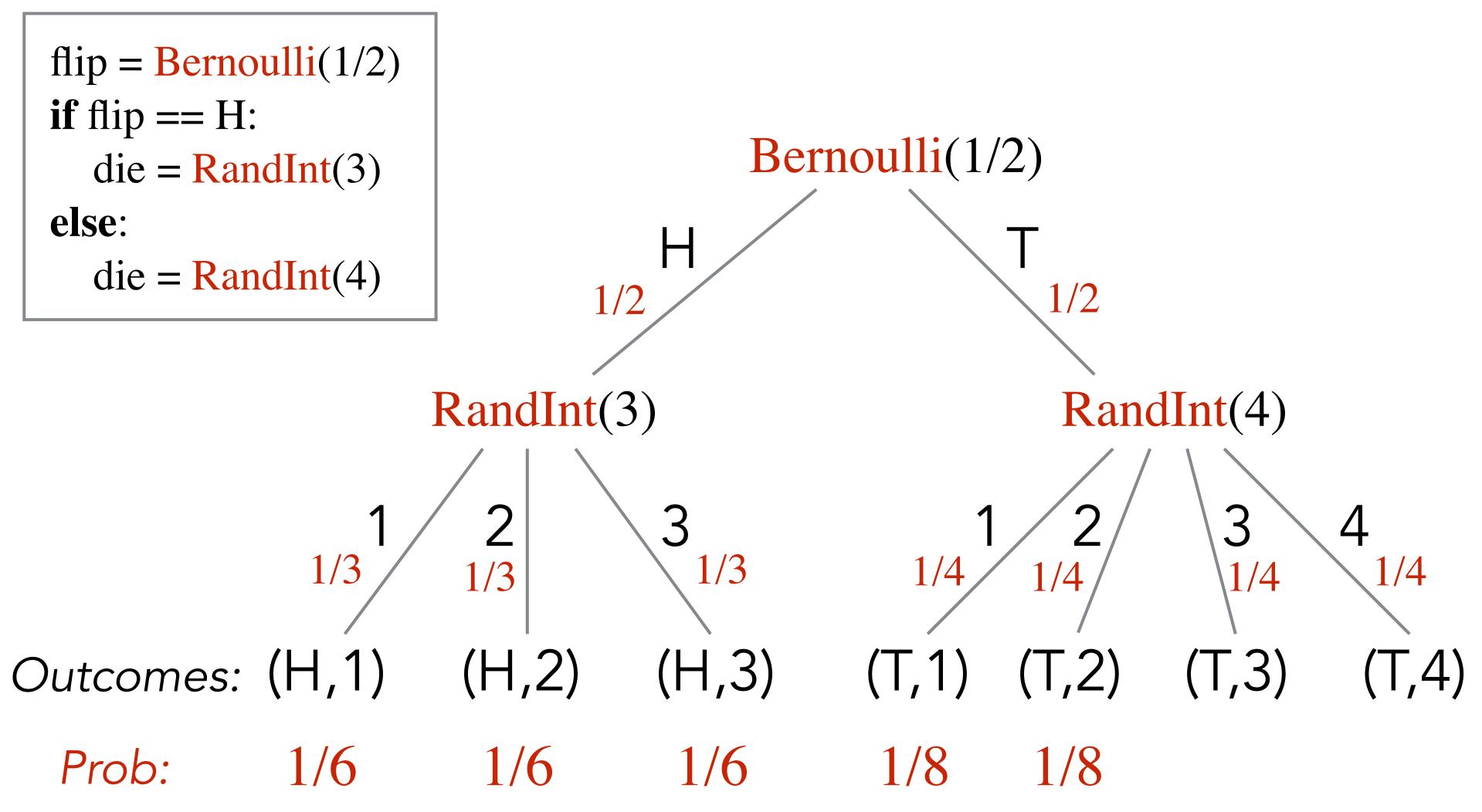




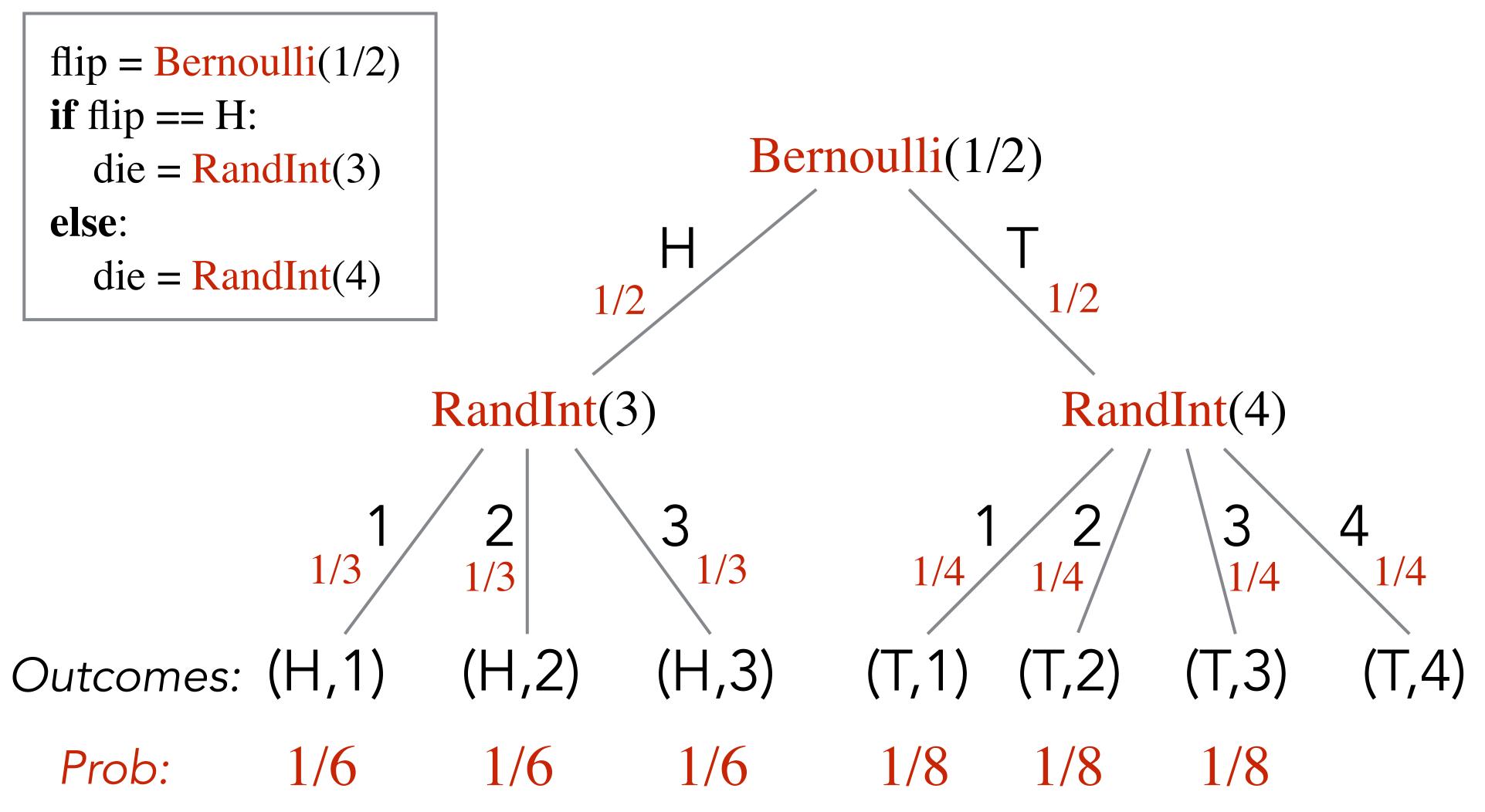




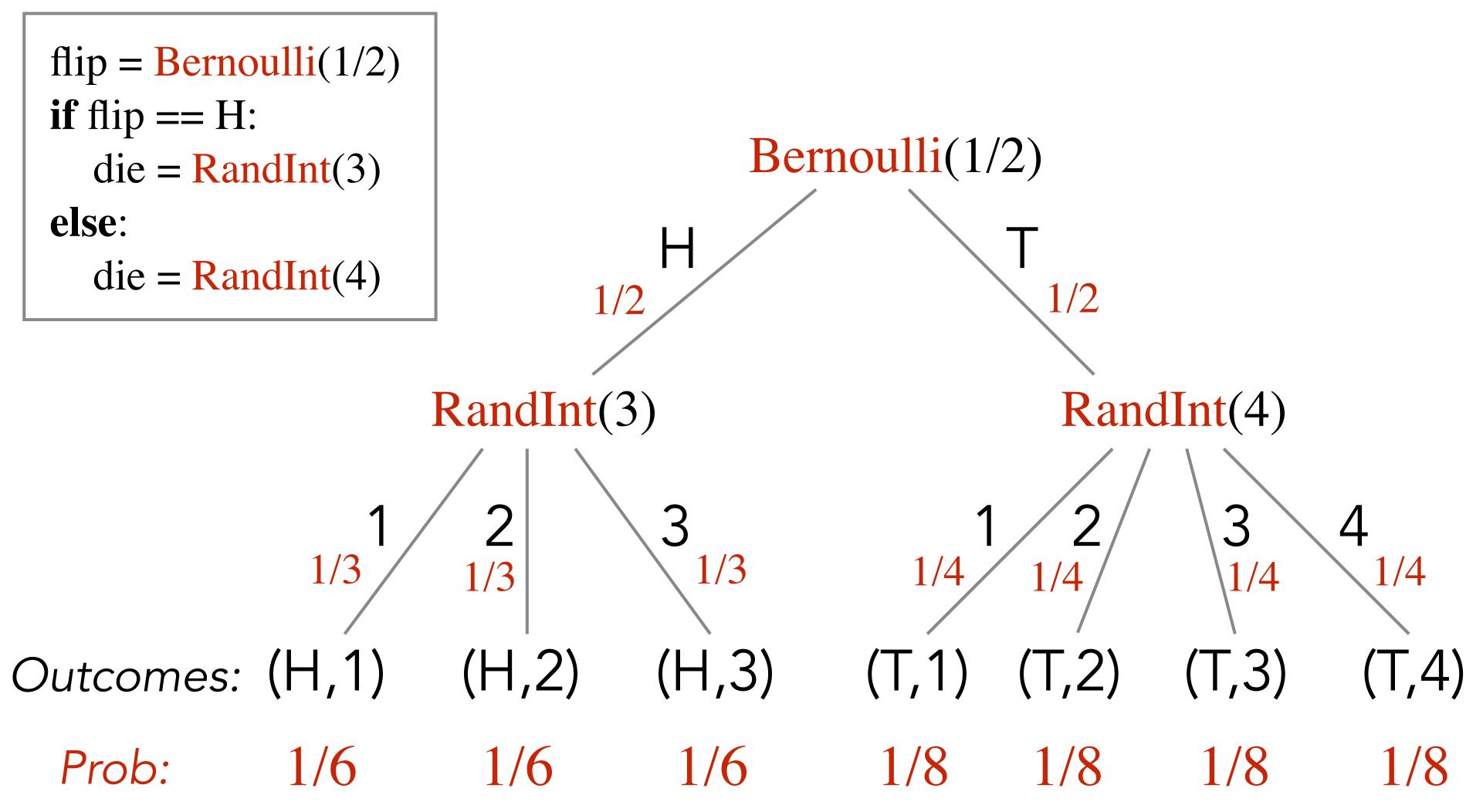


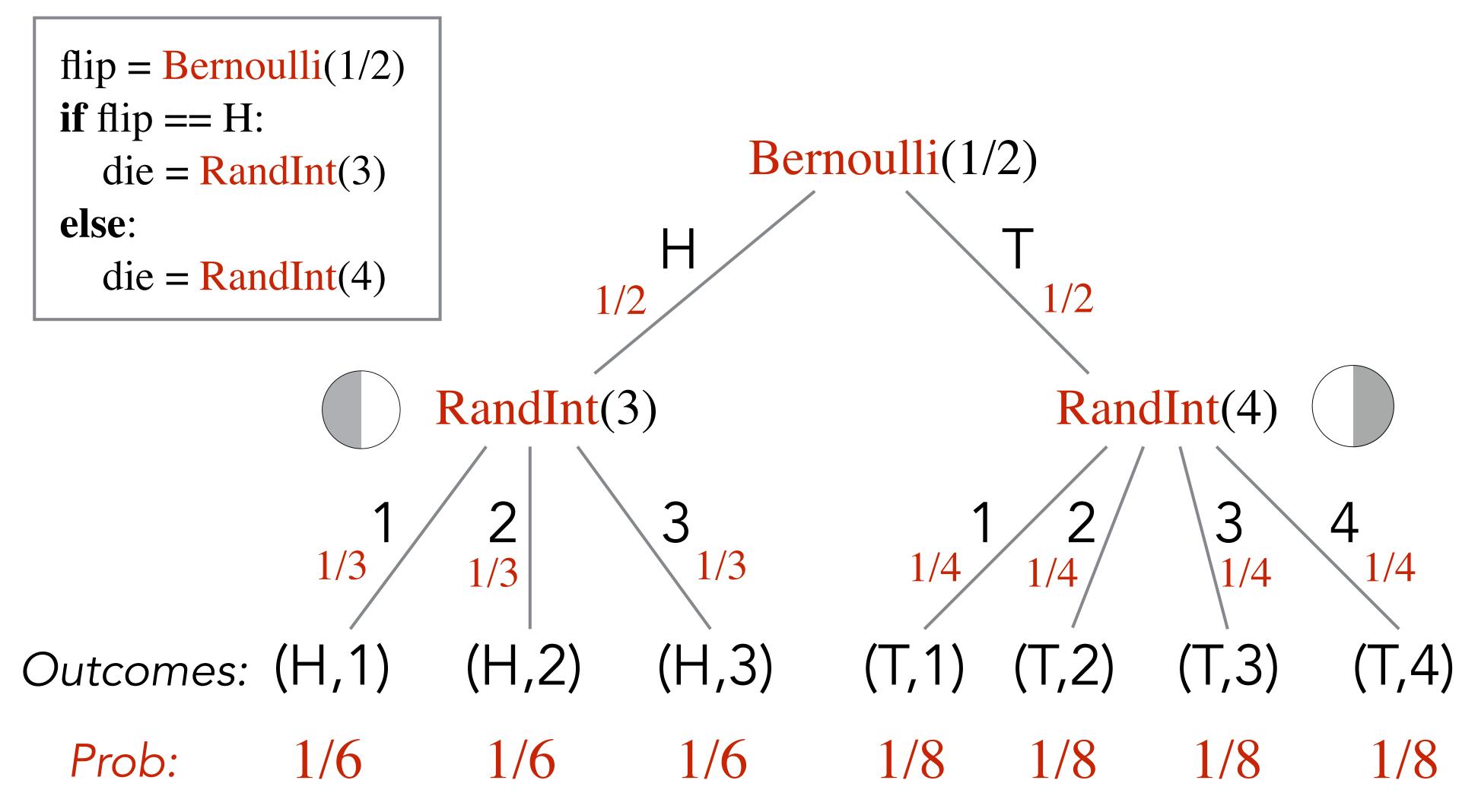


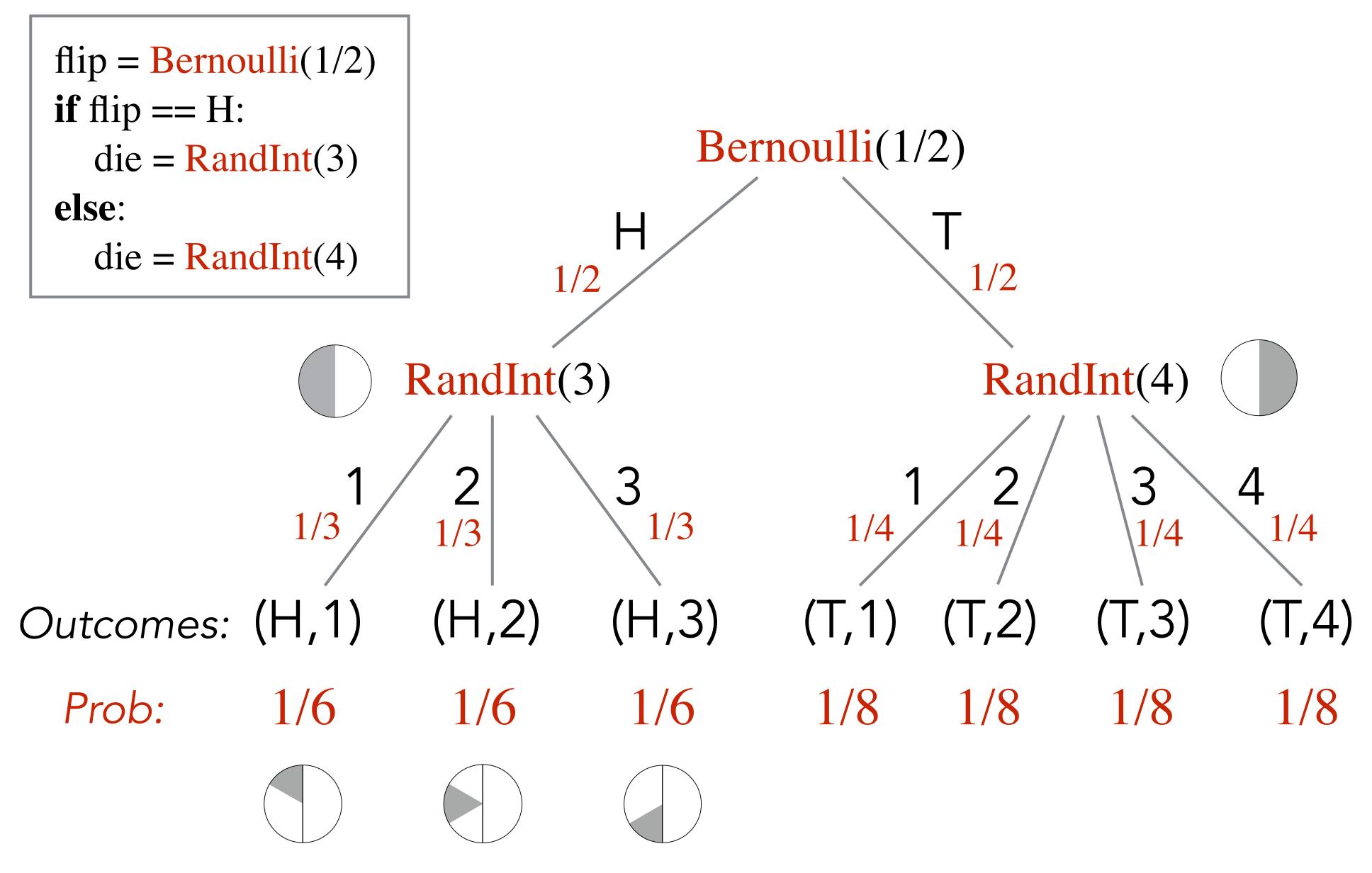


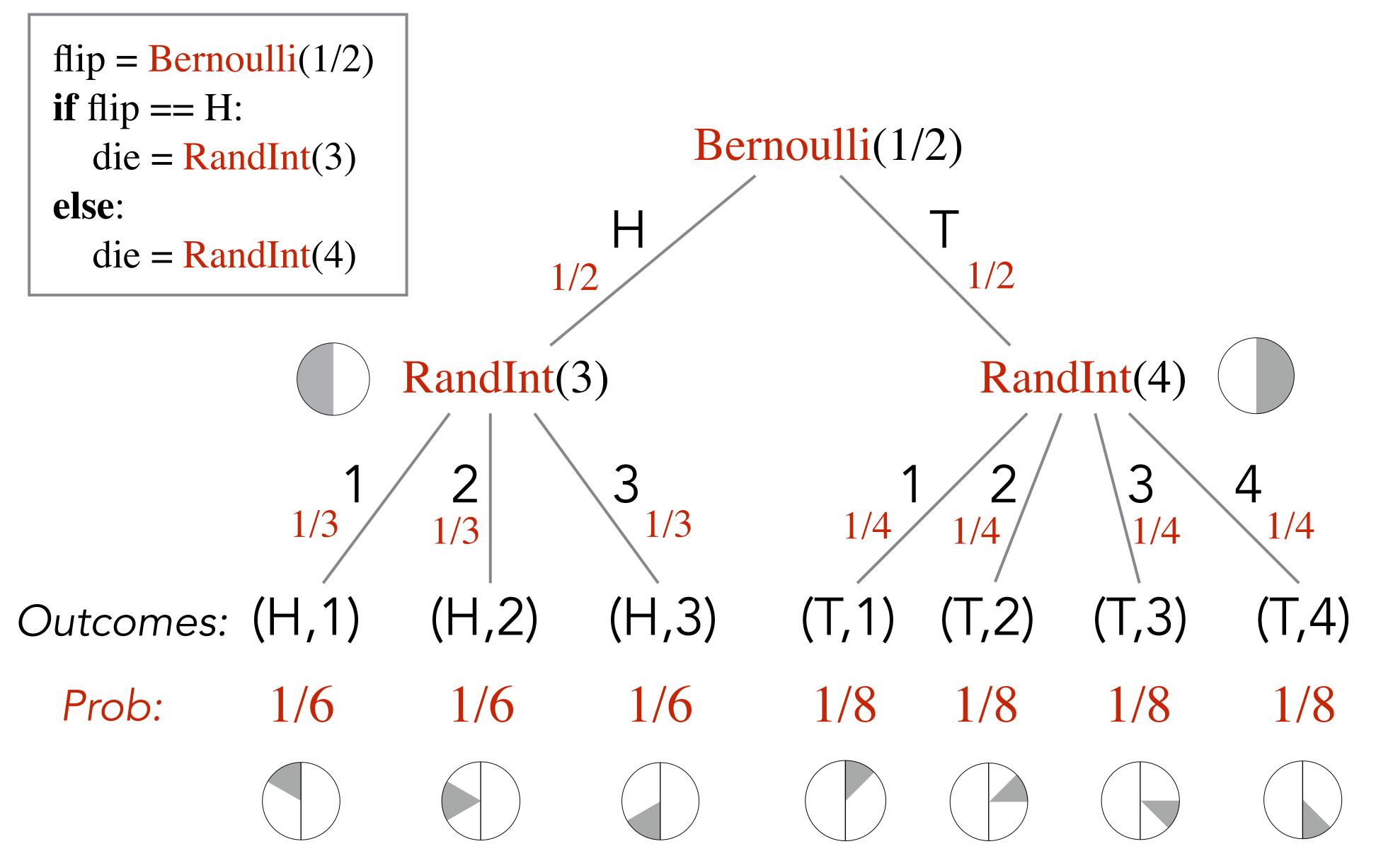




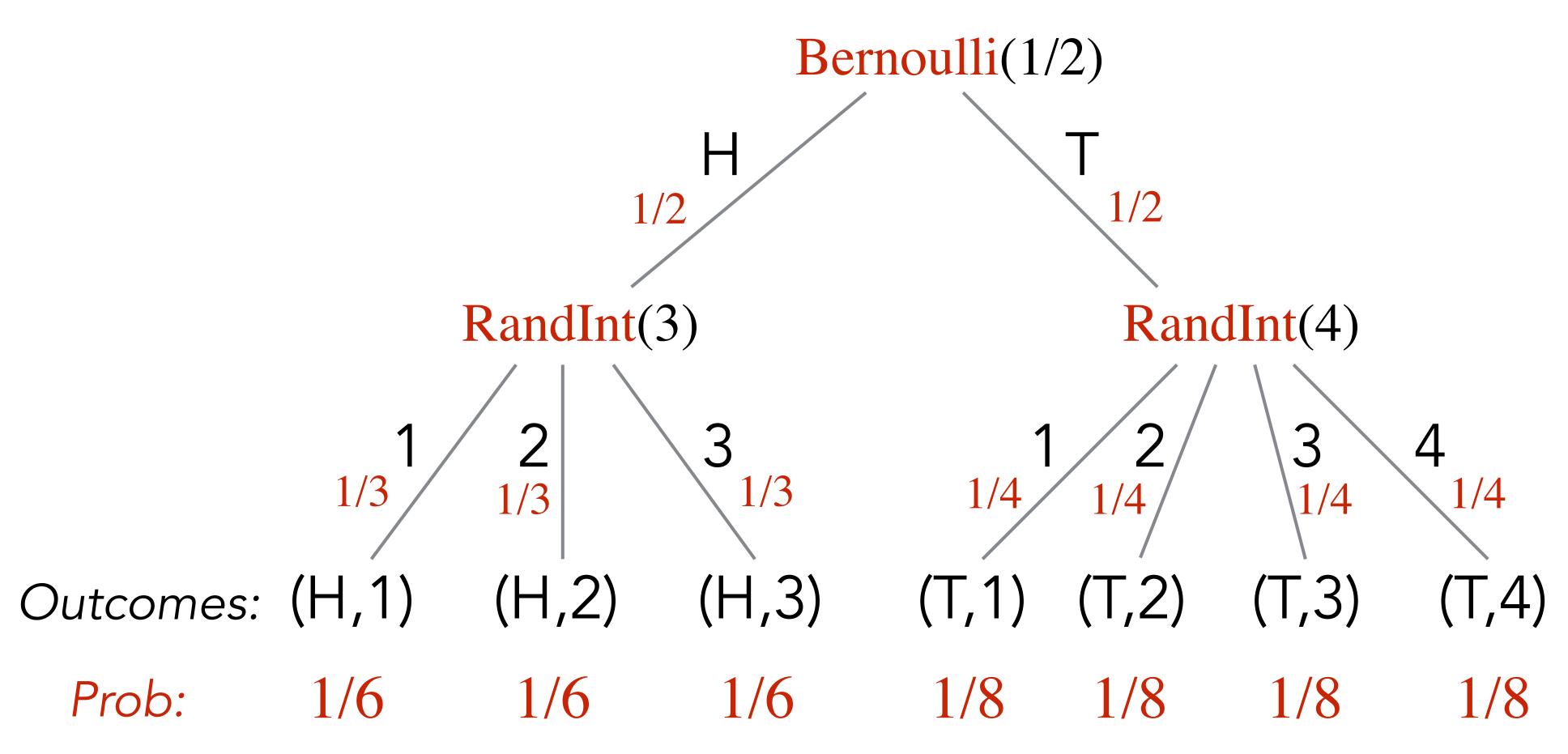




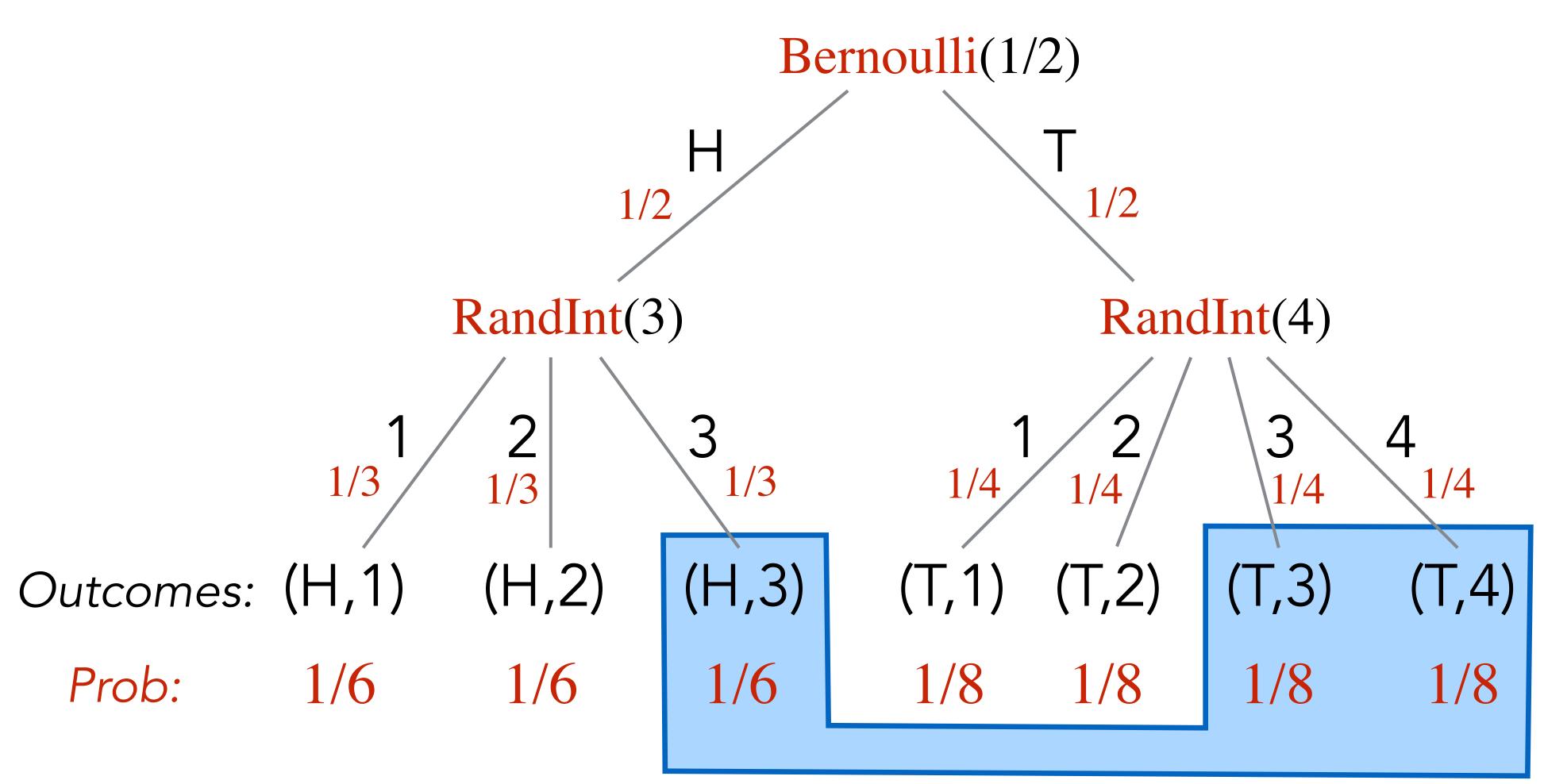






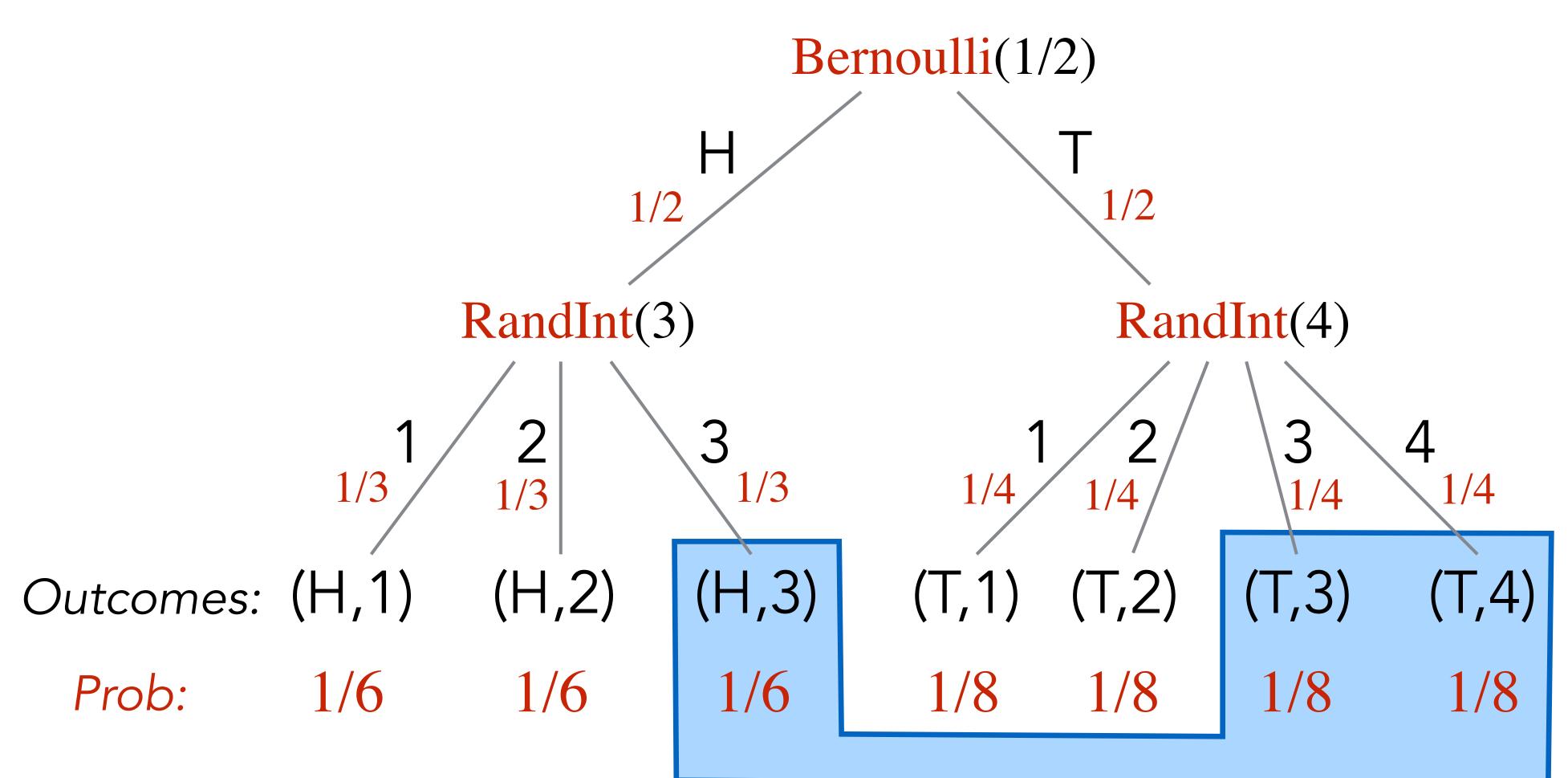






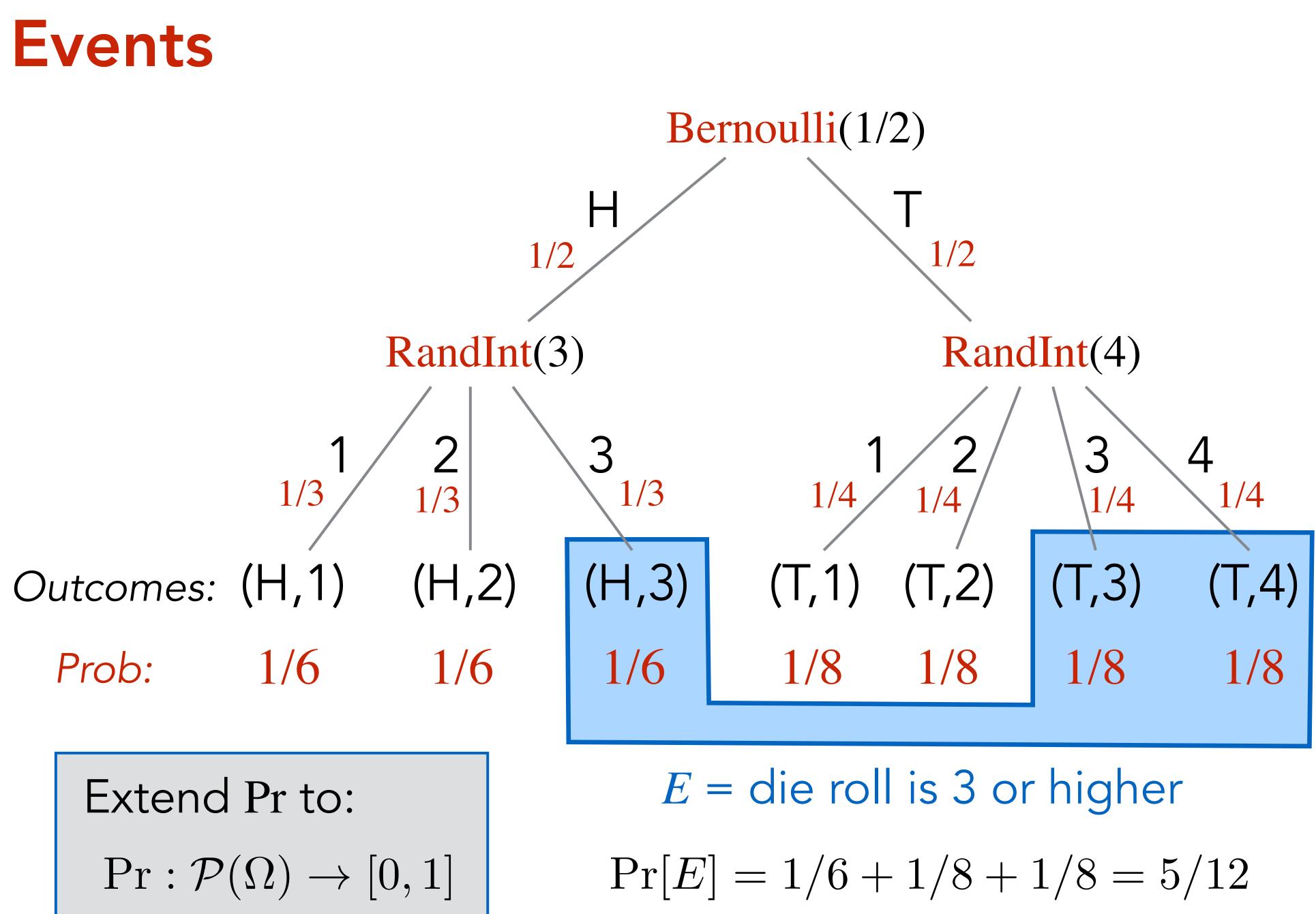
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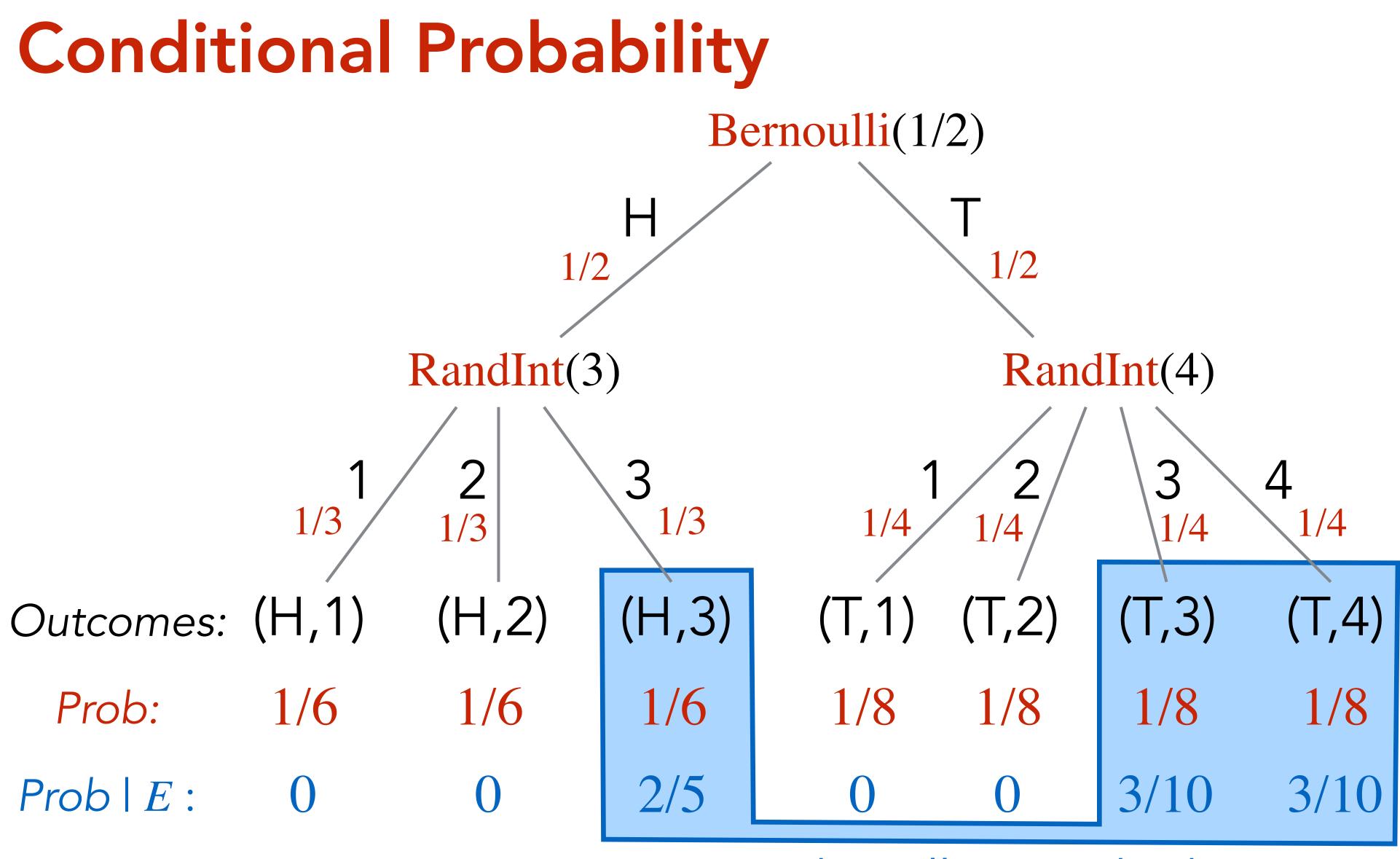




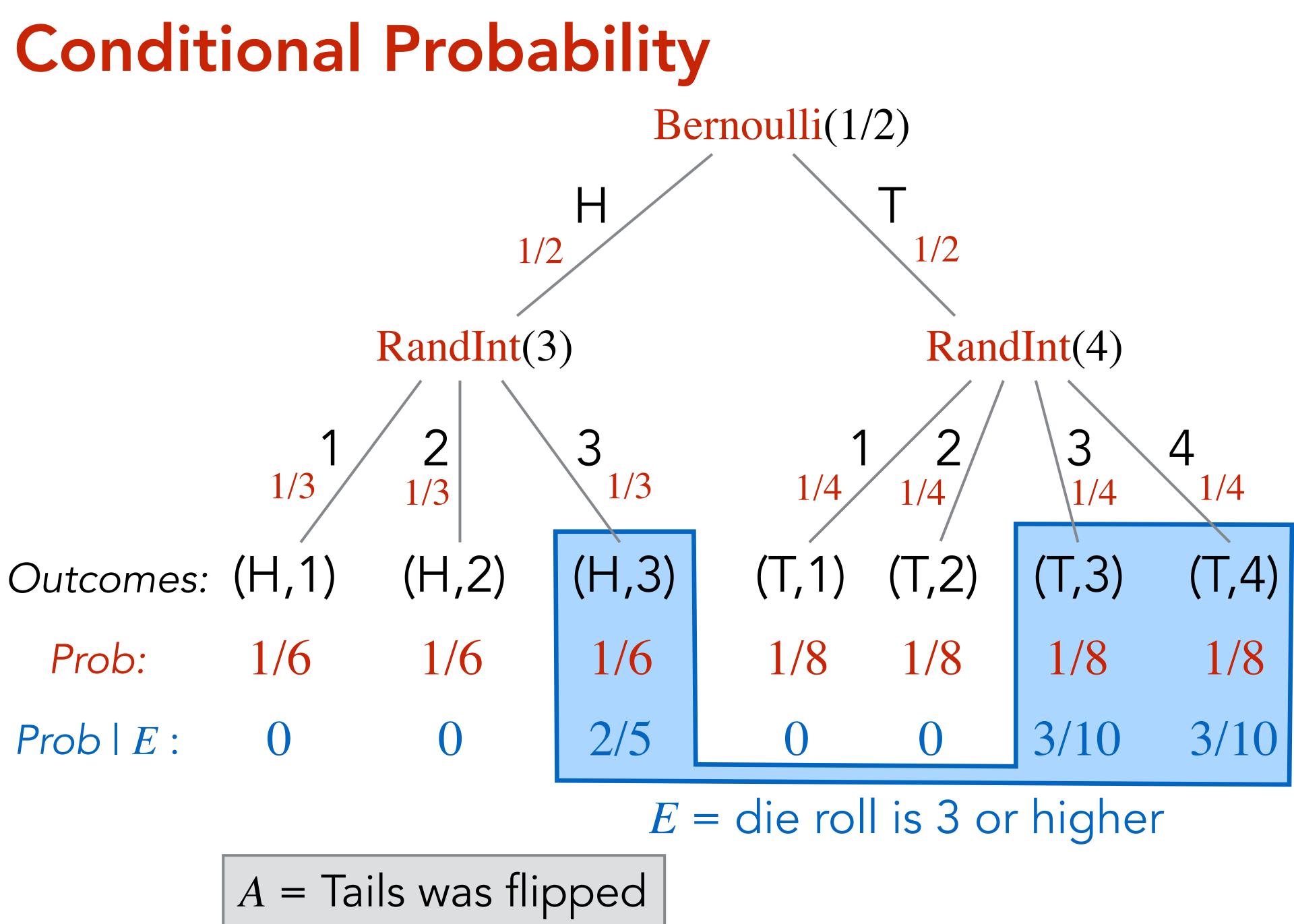
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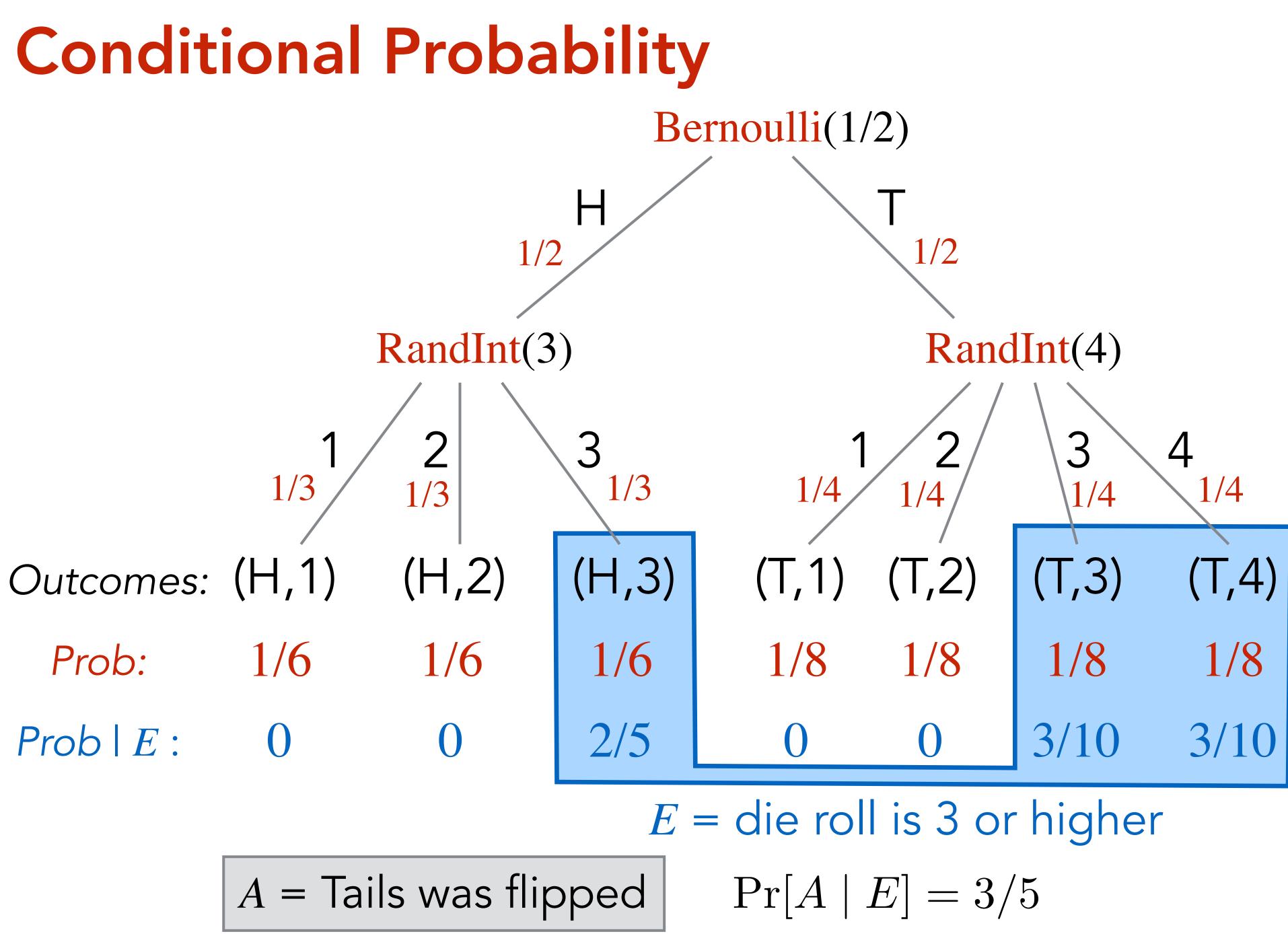
 $\Pr[E] = 1/6 + 1/8 + 1/8 = 5/12$ 





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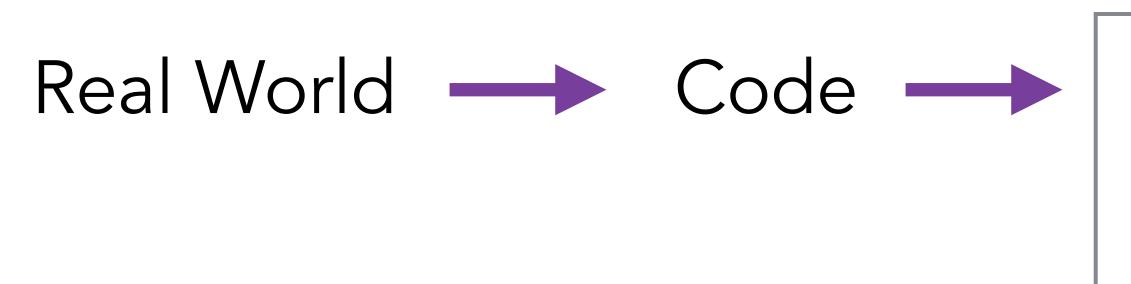
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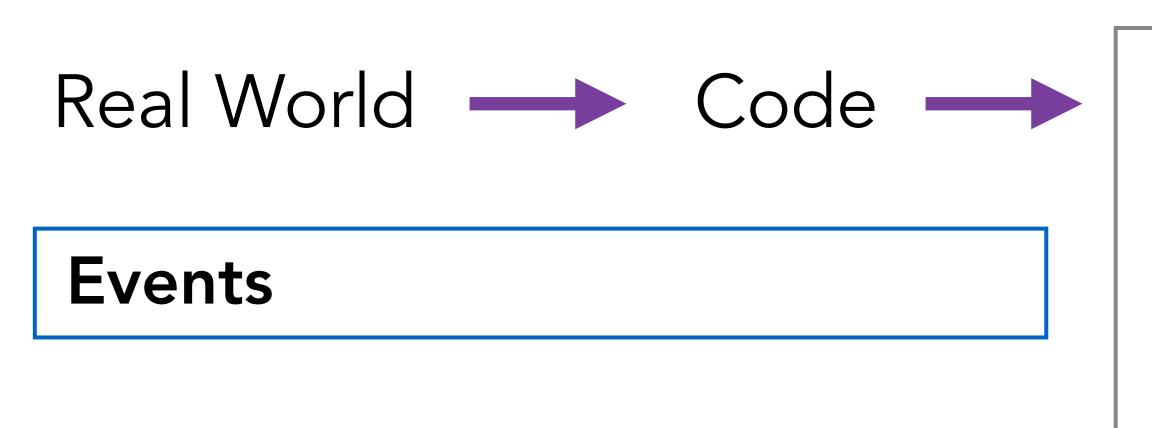
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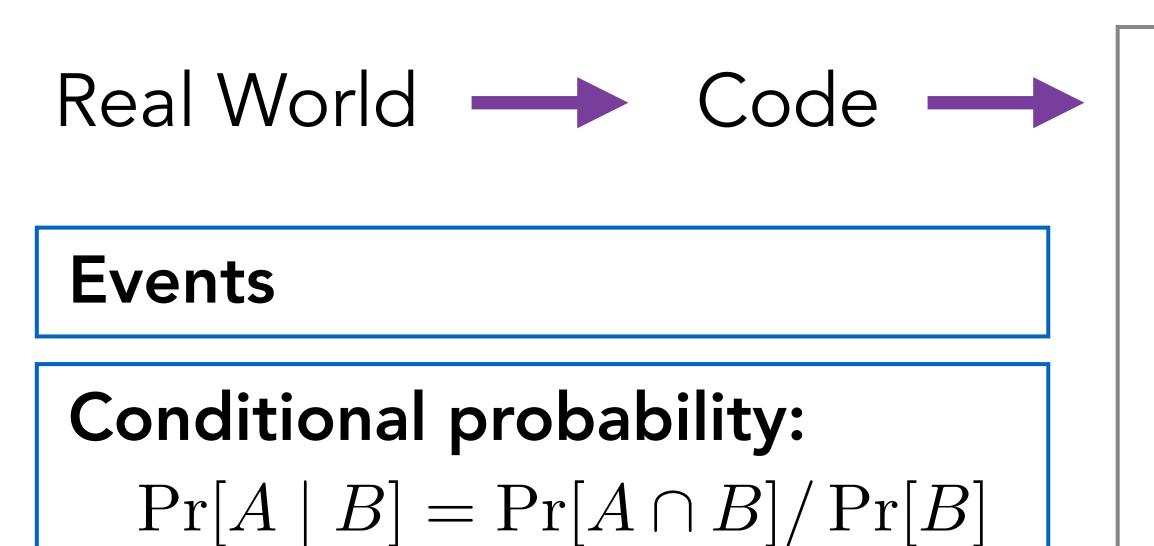


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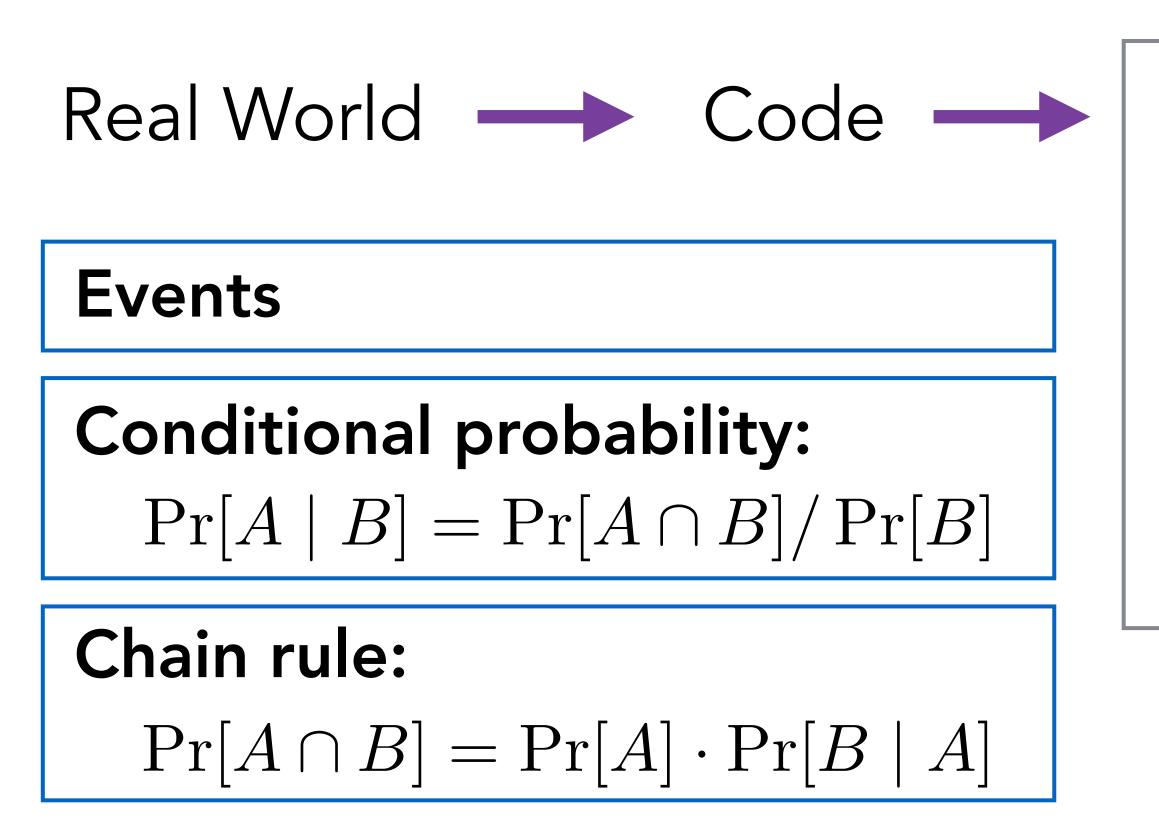


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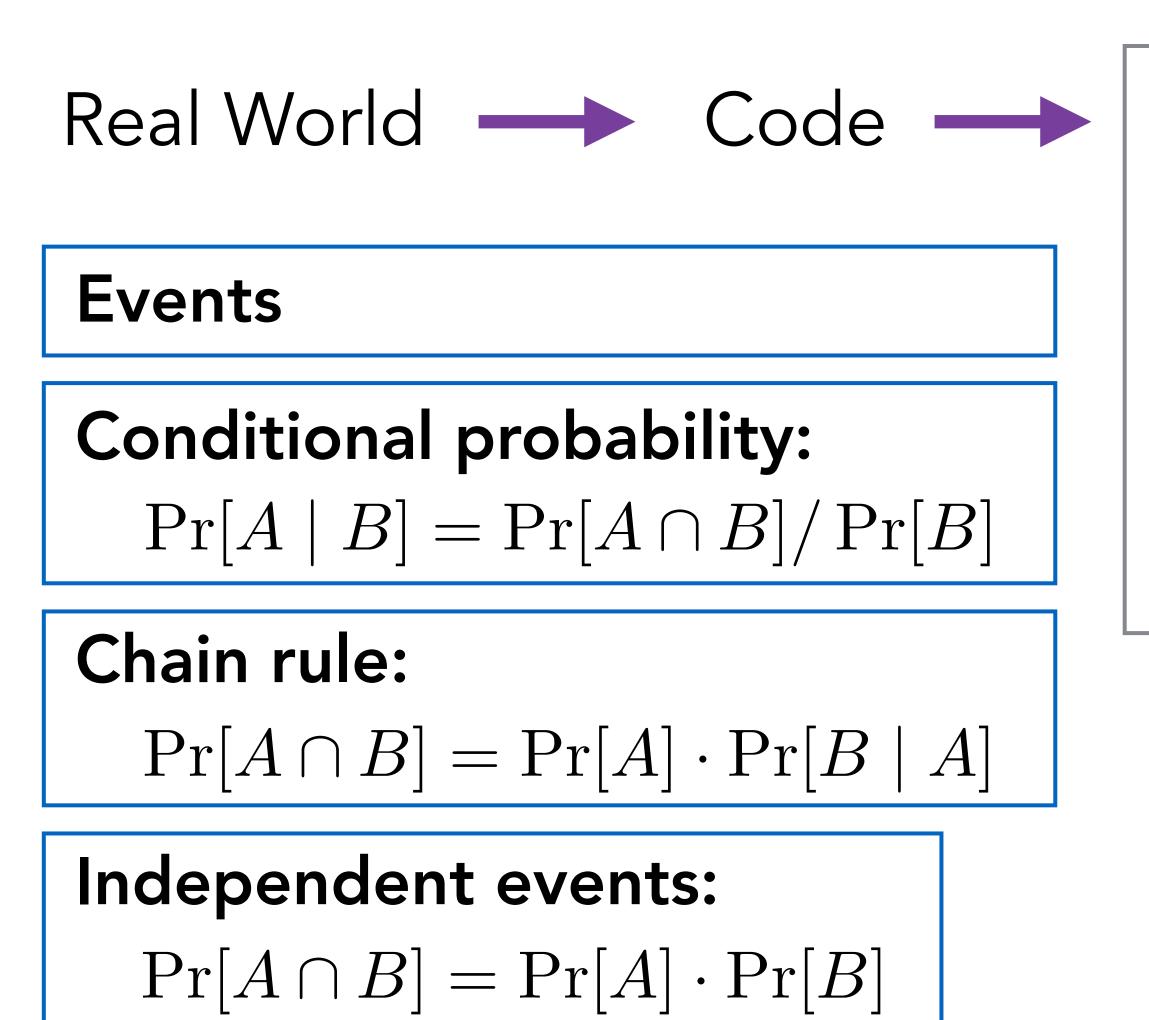
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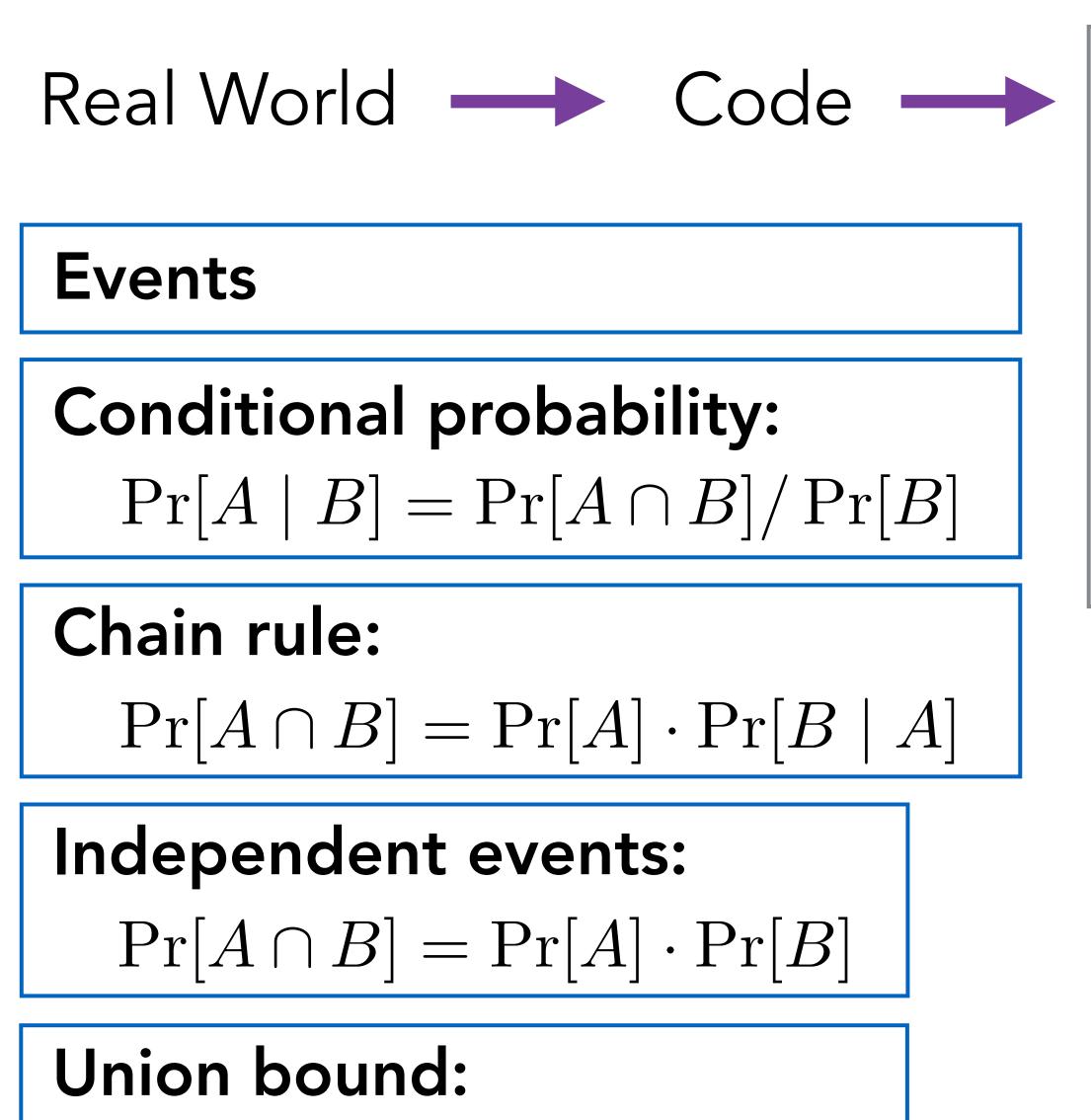
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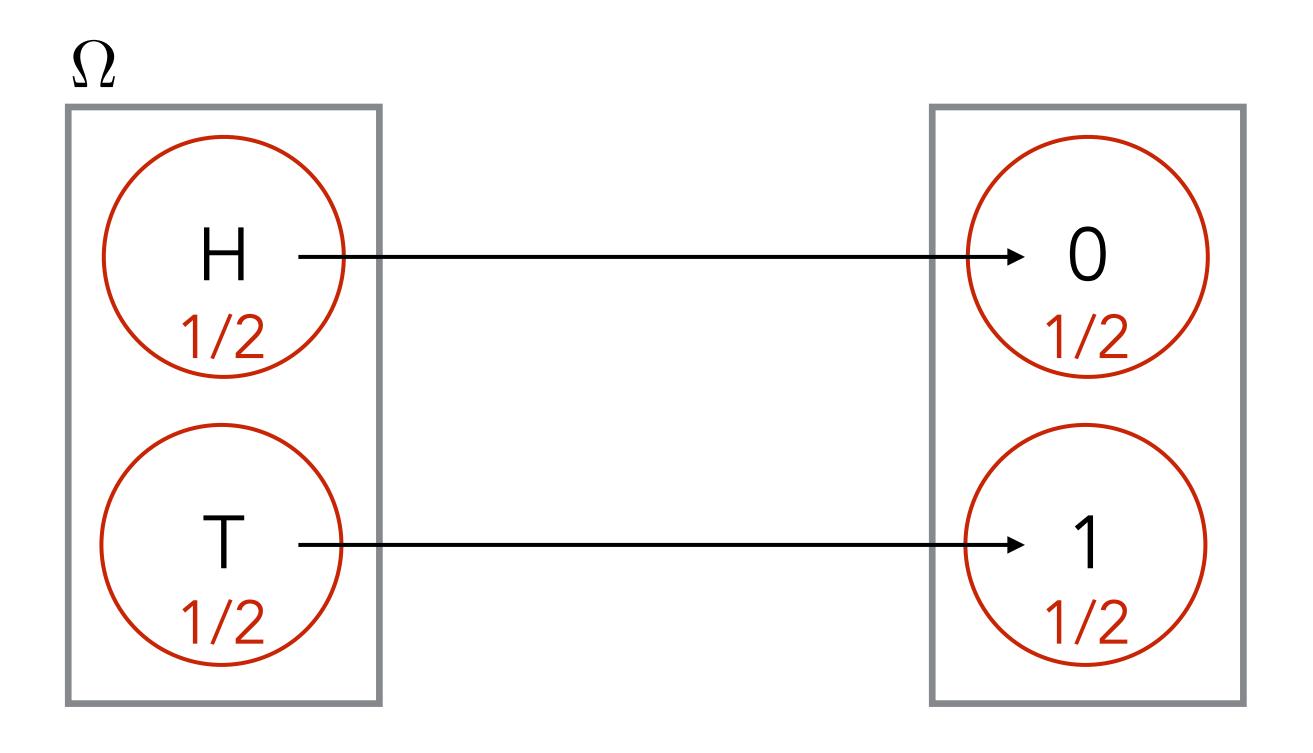
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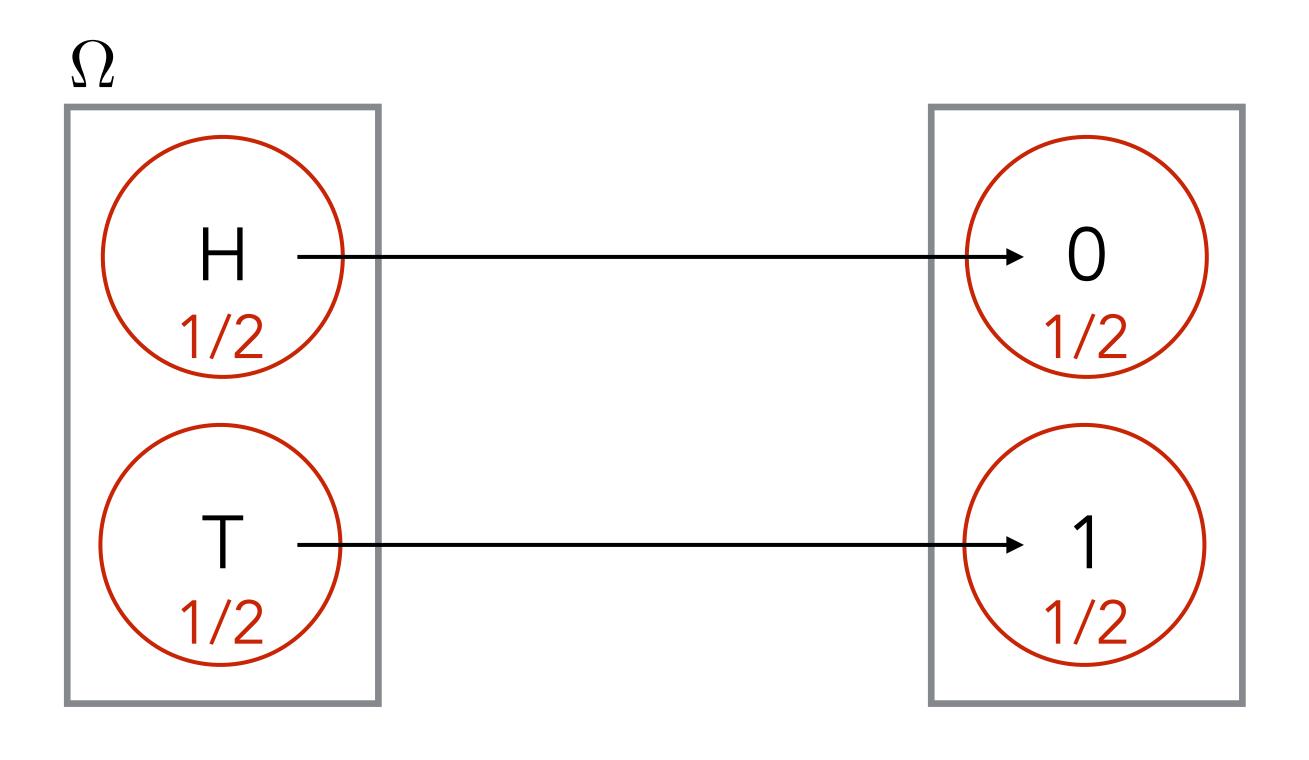


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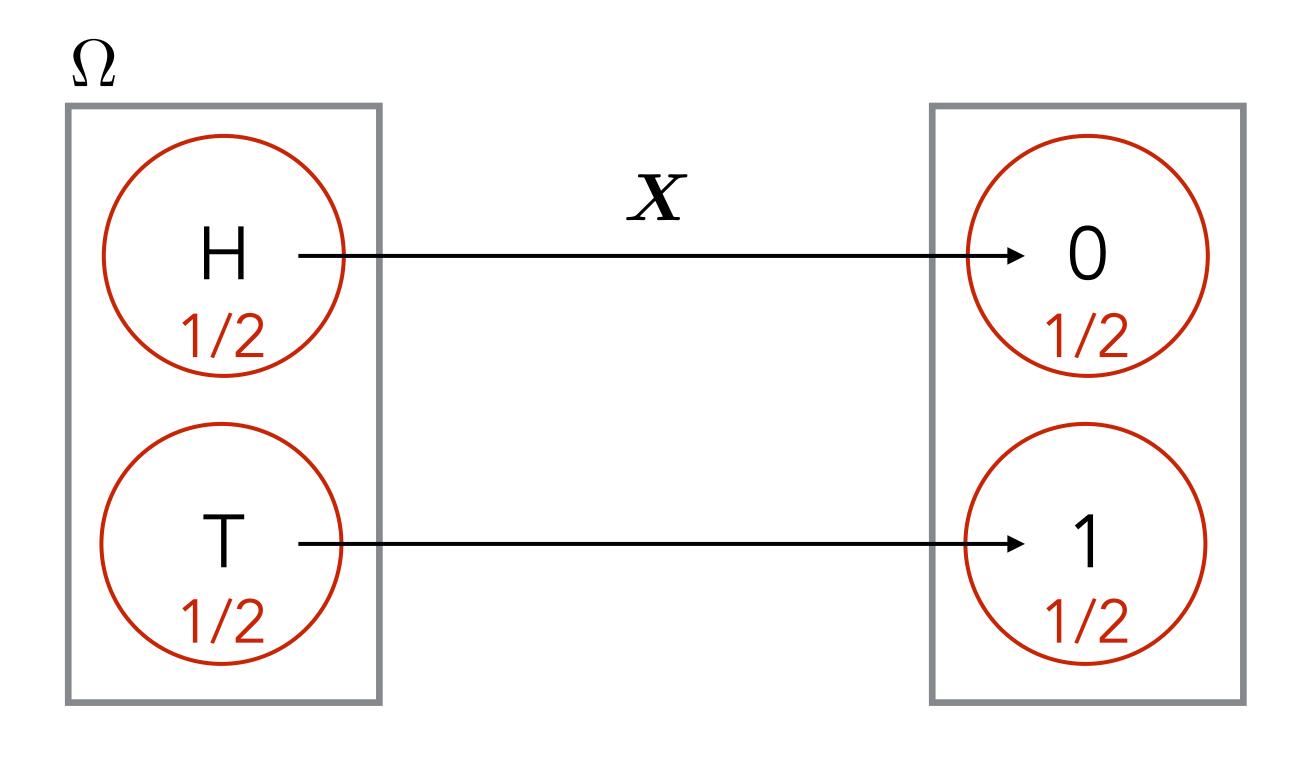


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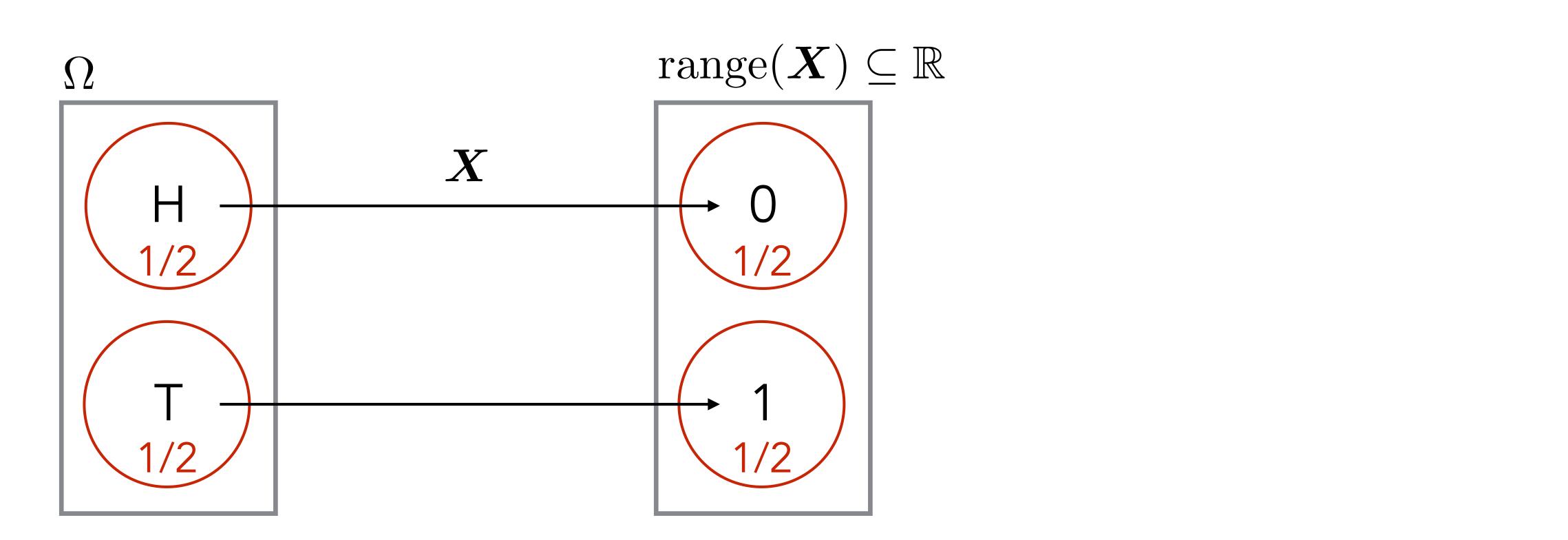


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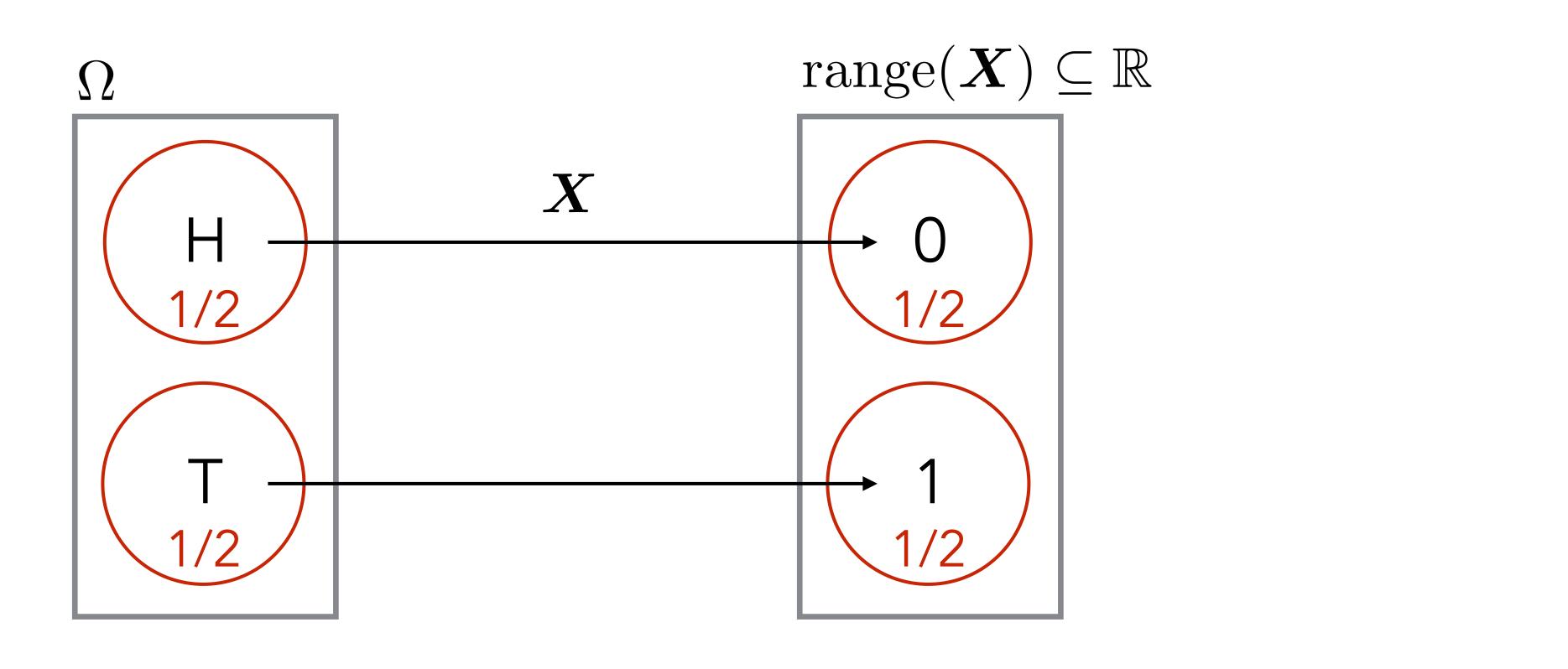


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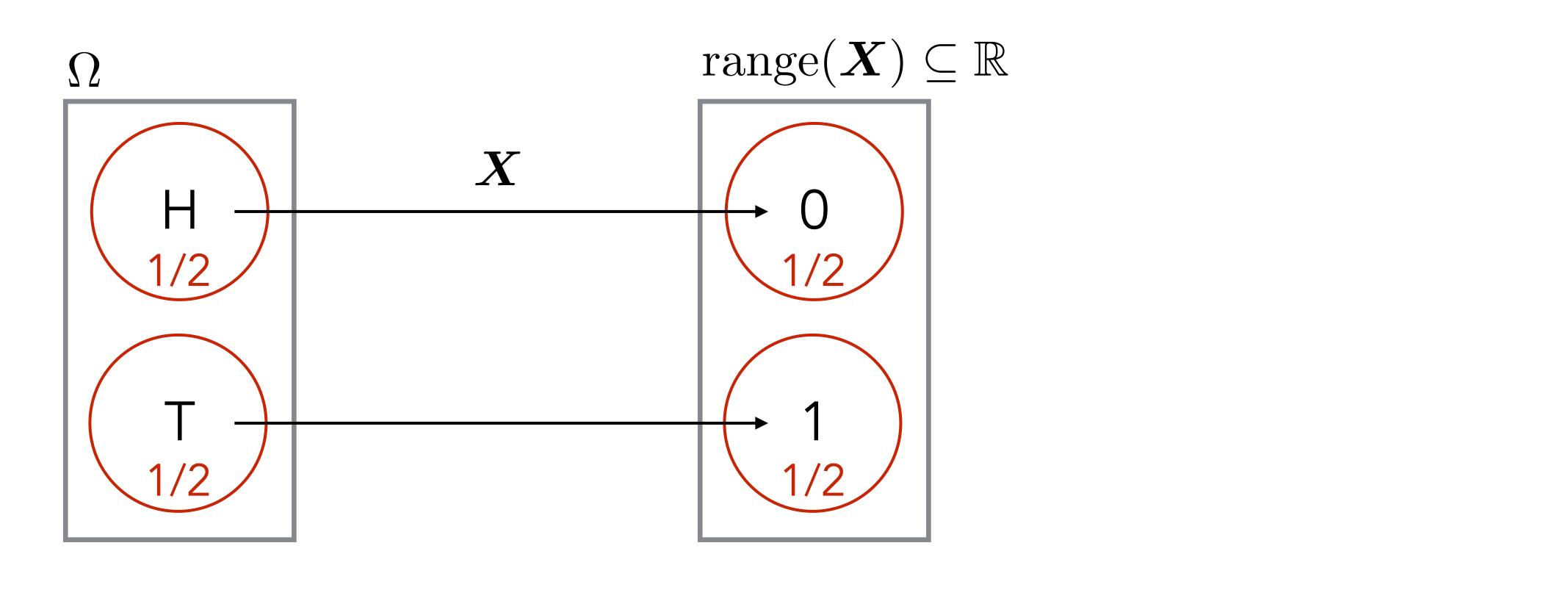


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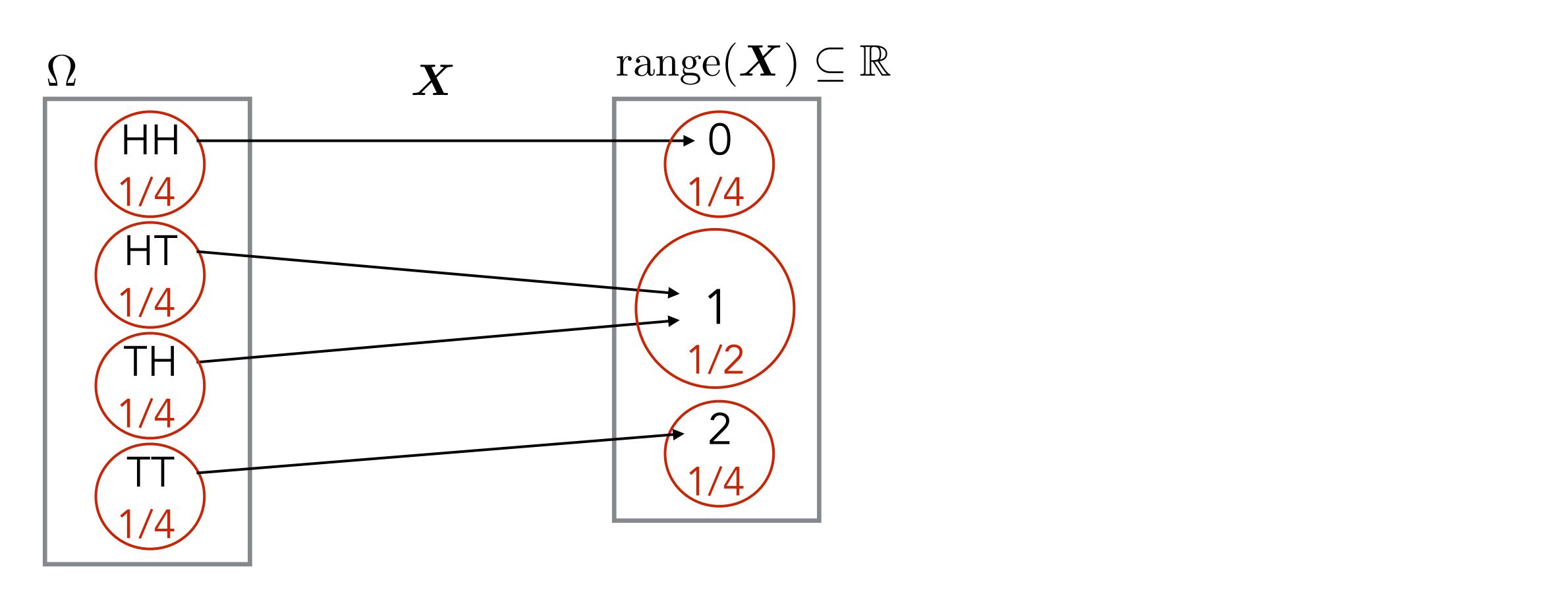


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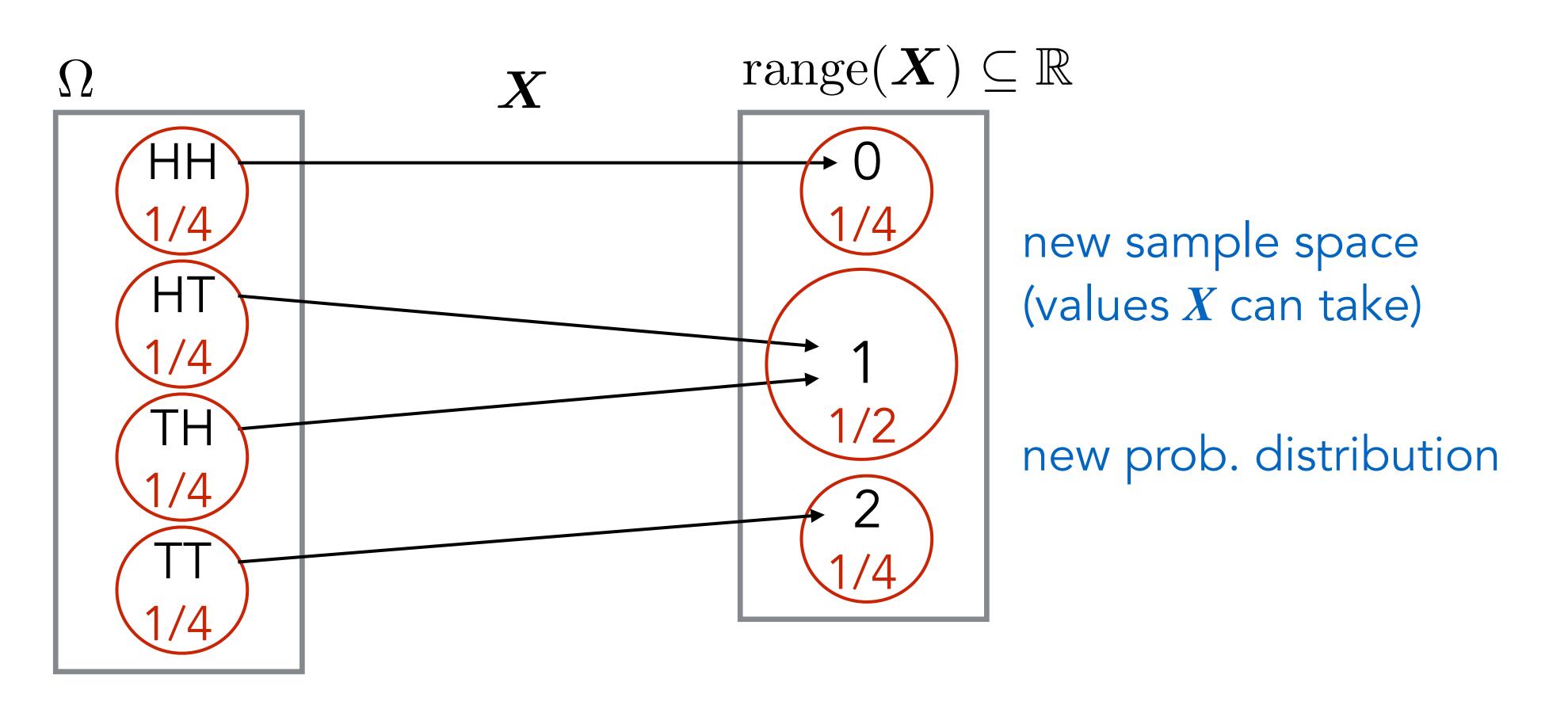


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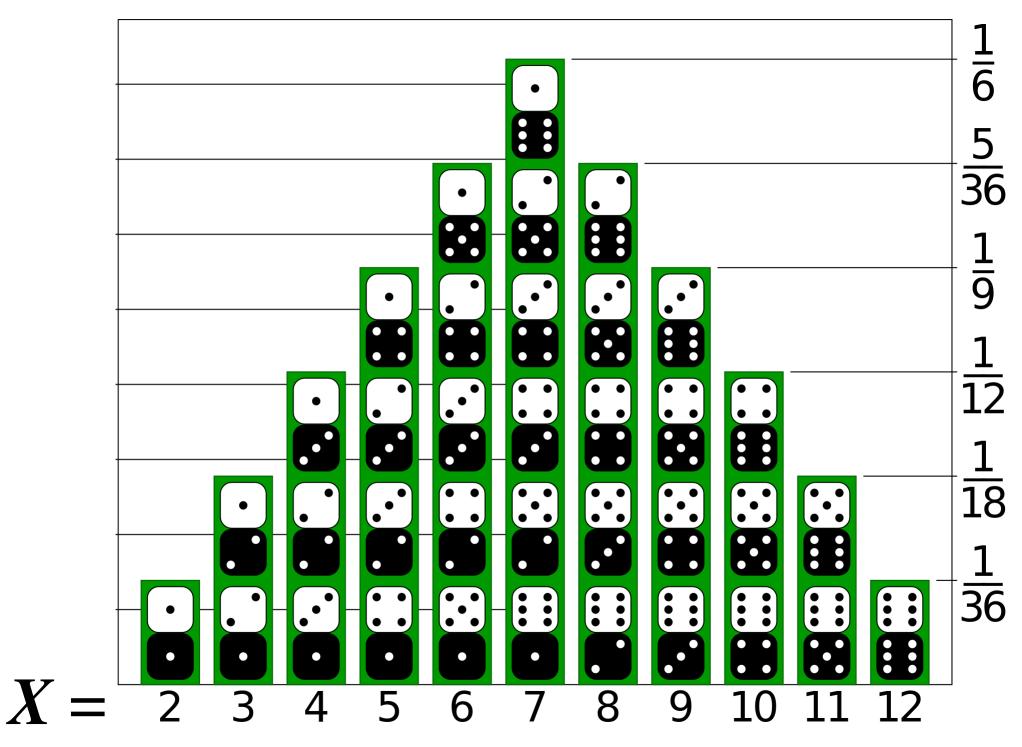
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## **Distribution:**

For each  $\ell \in \Omega$ :  $\Pr[\ell] = 1/36$ ('uniform distribution')

## Transformation of the sample space to $\mathbb{R}$ . i.e. a function $X:\Omega o \mathbb{R}$

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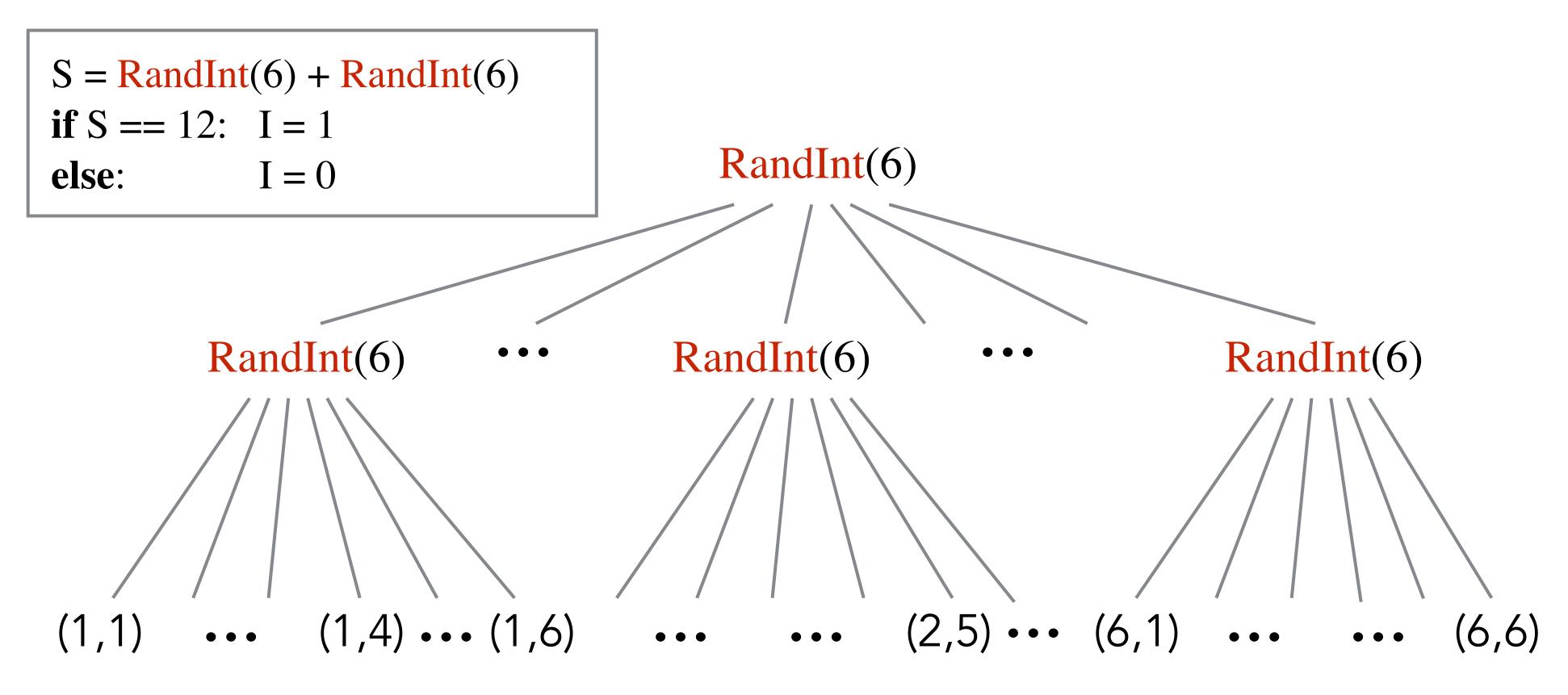
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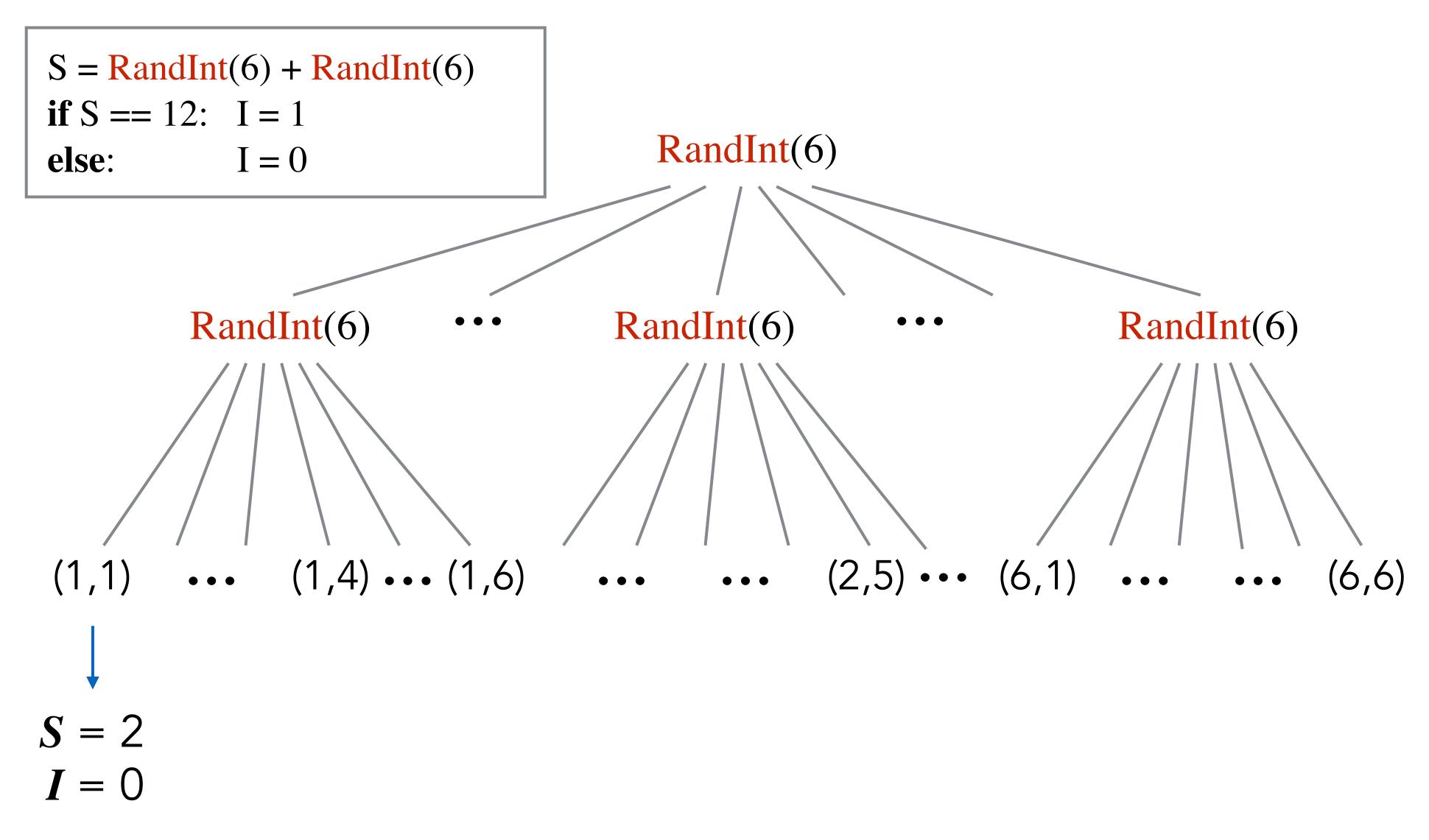


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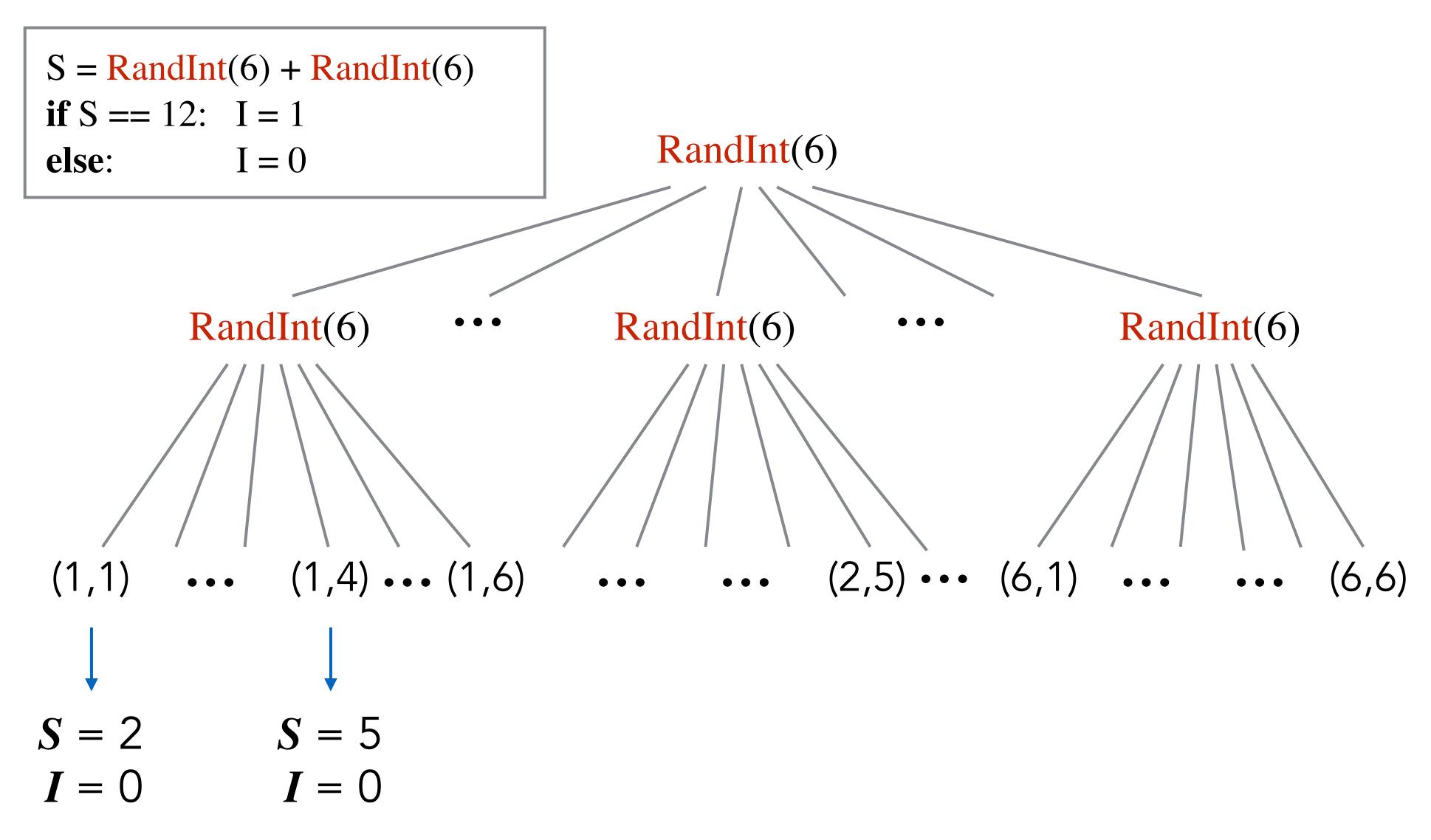




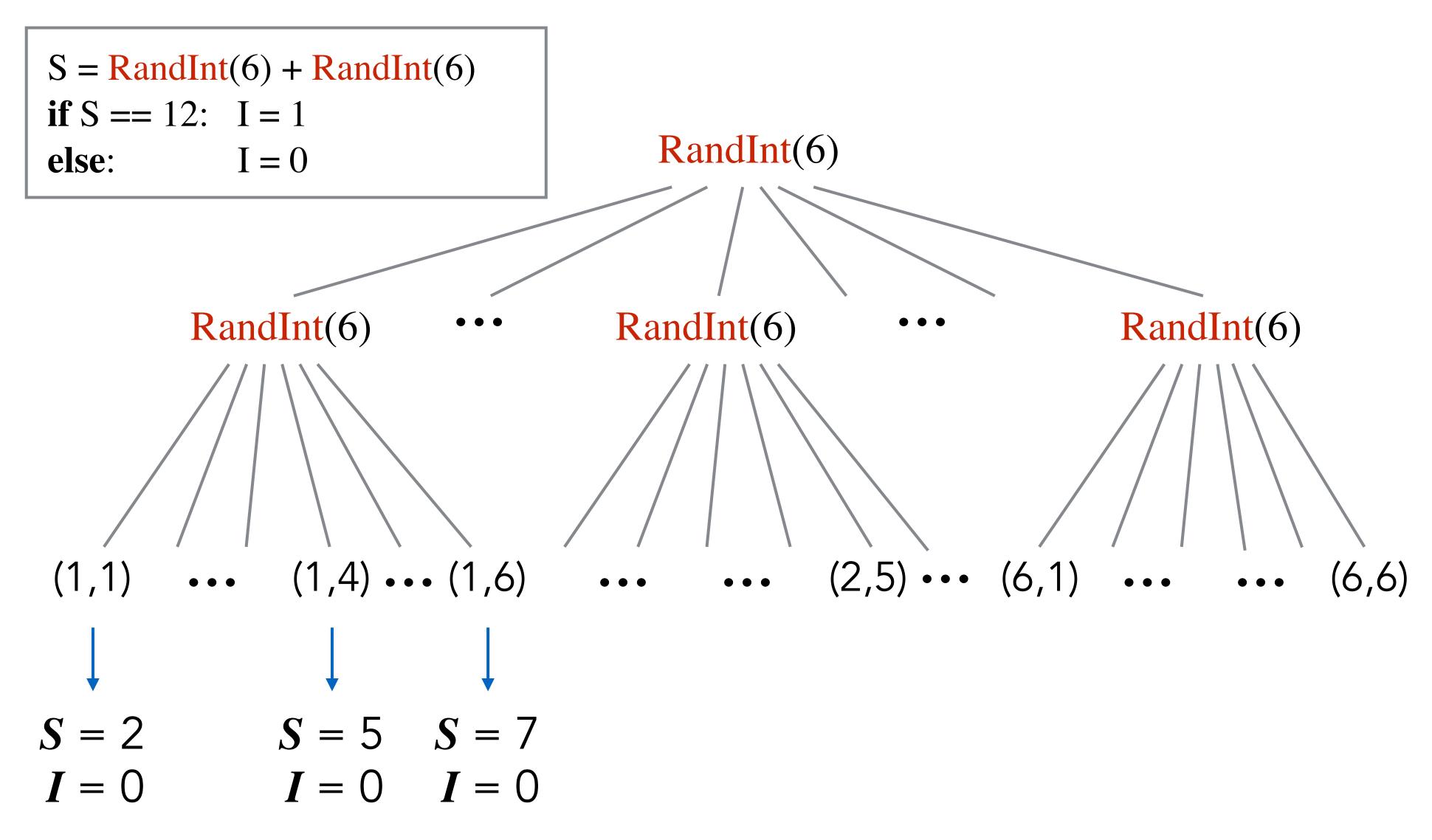




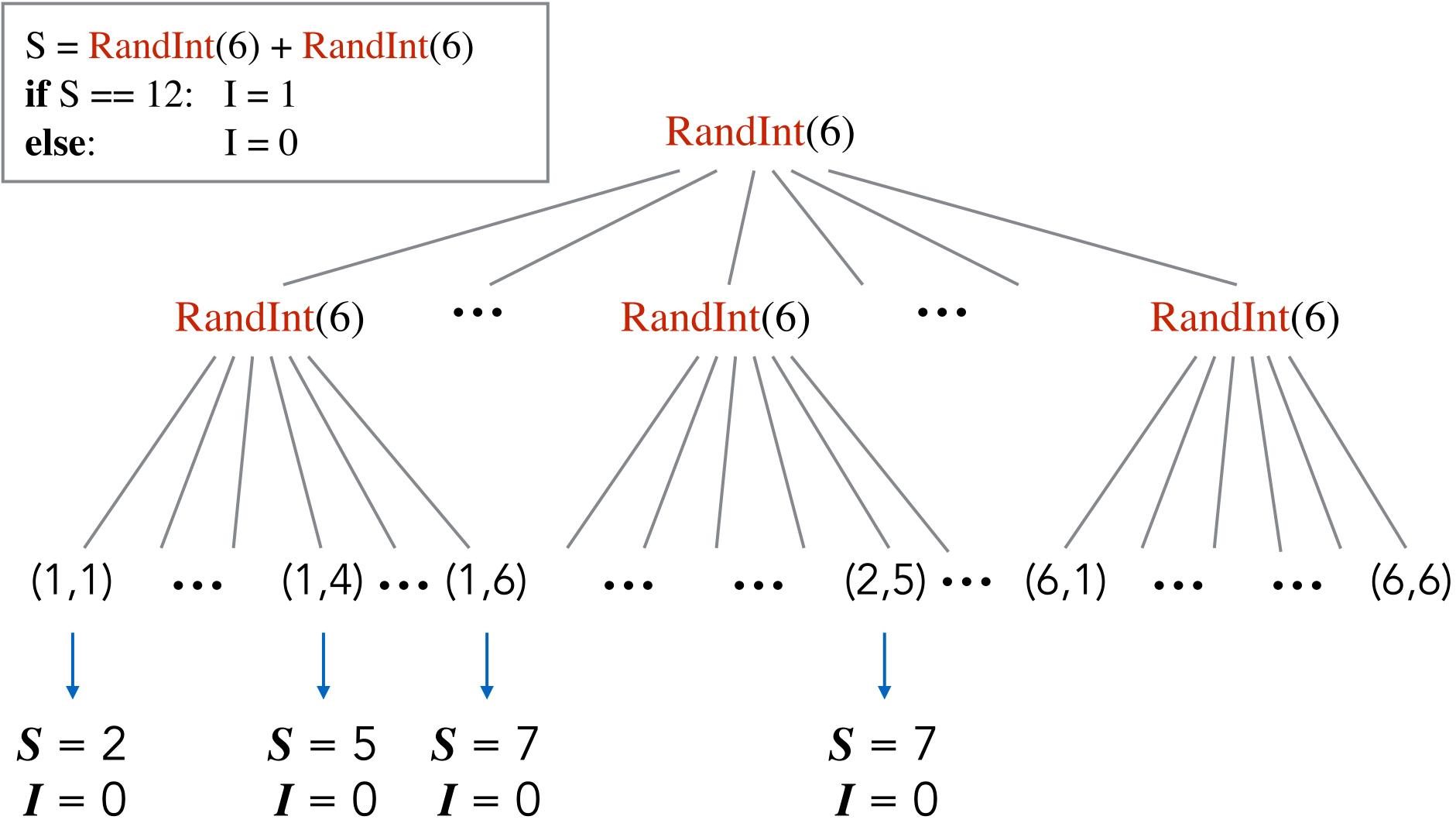




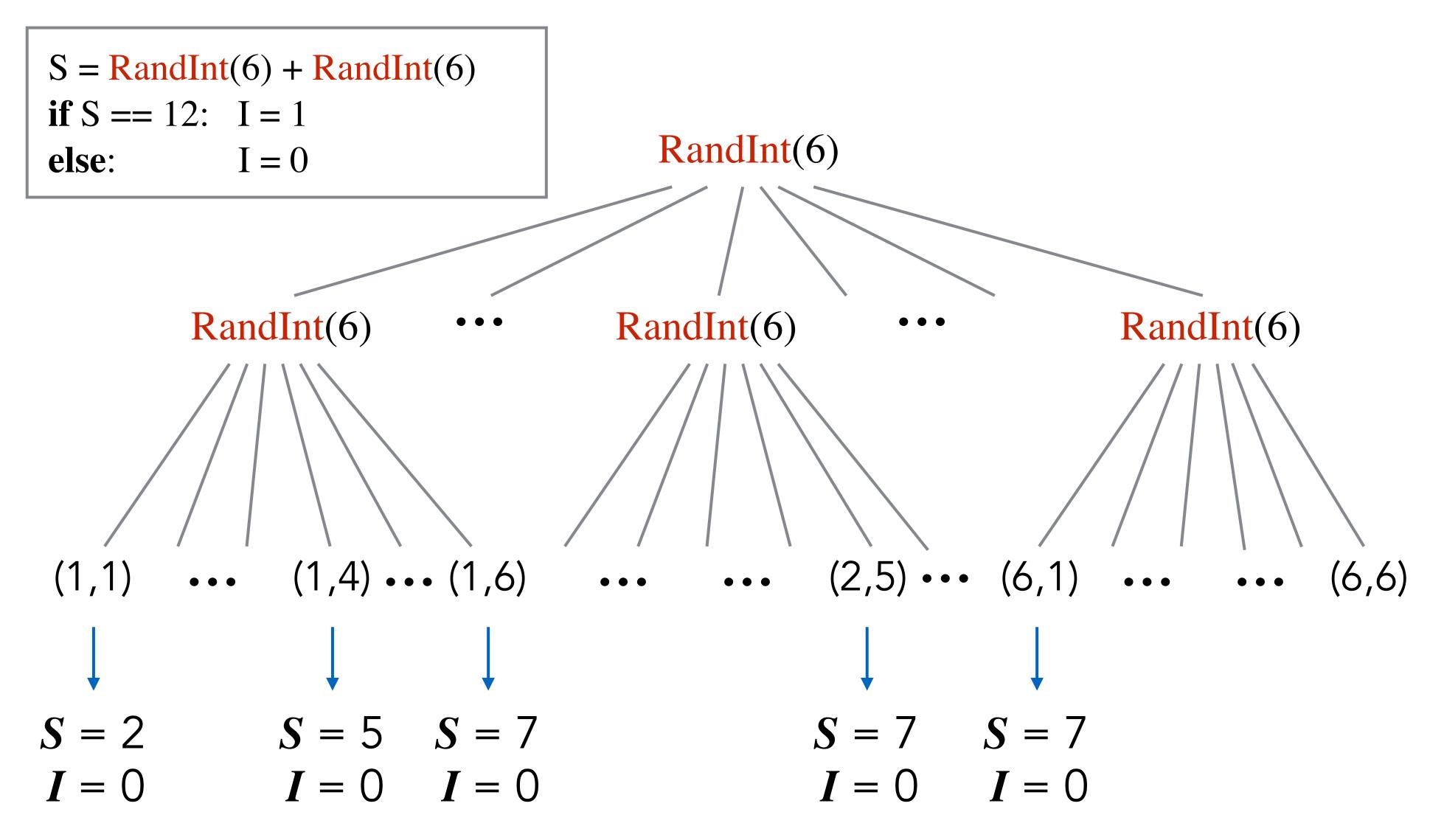


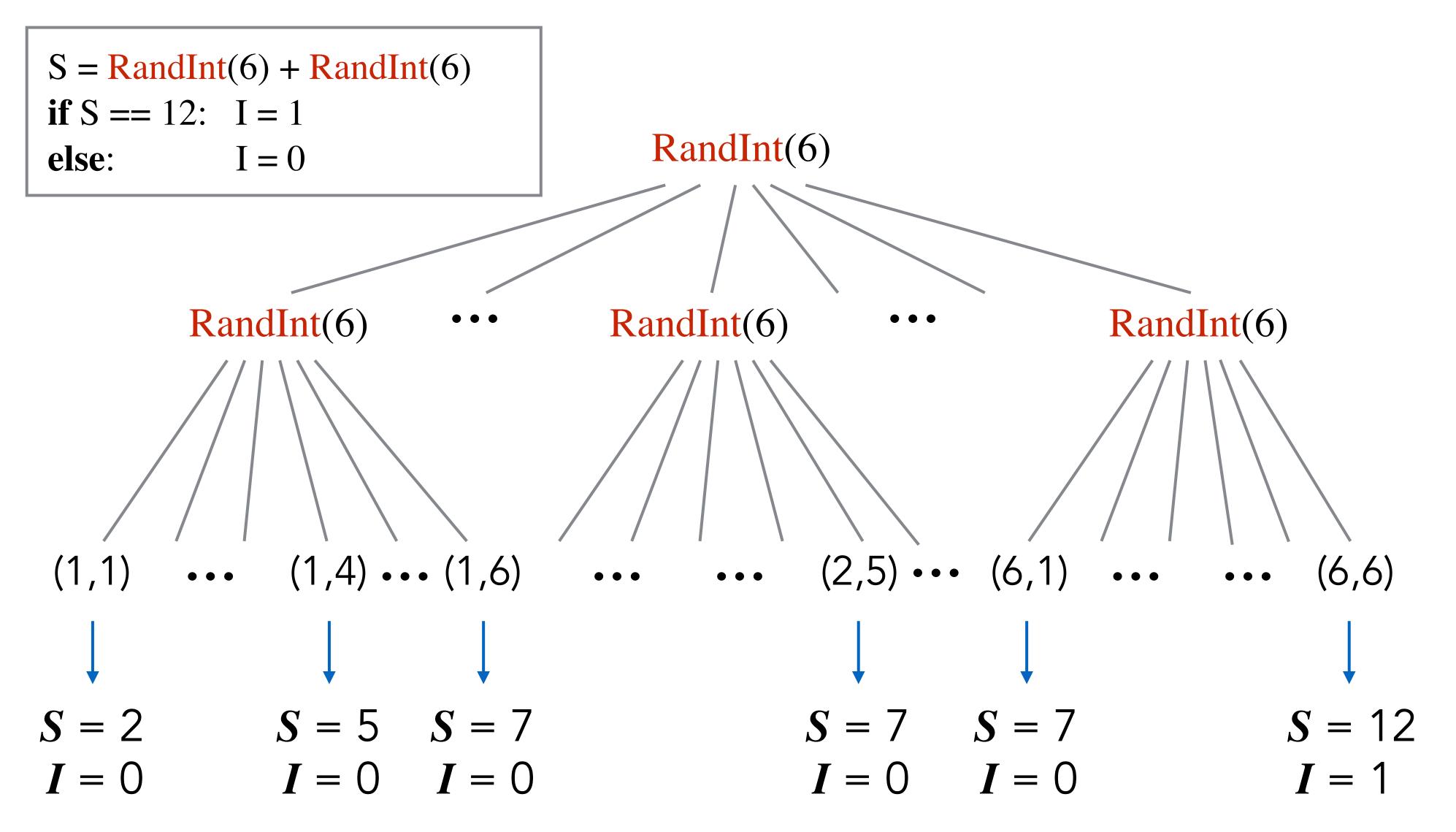


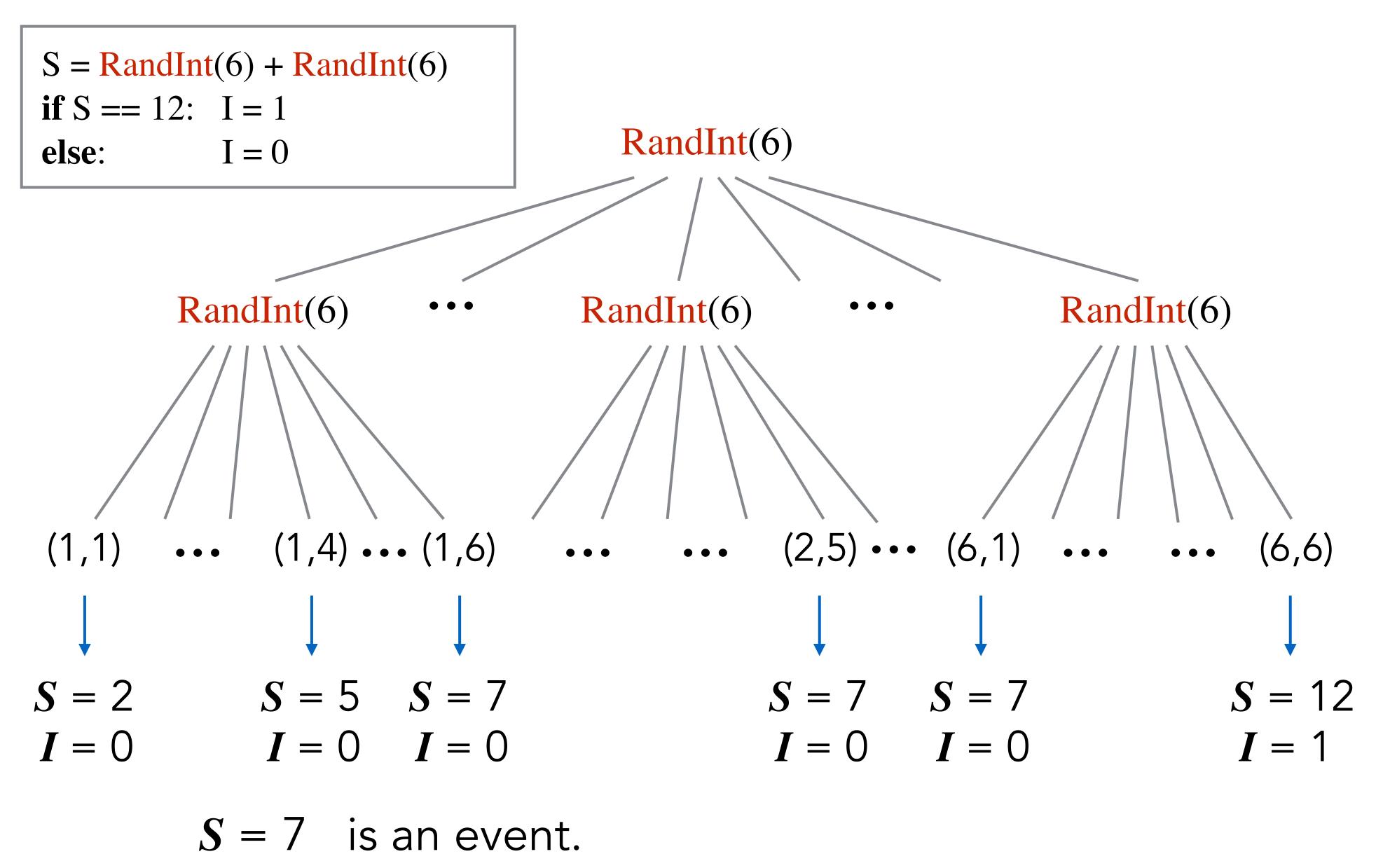




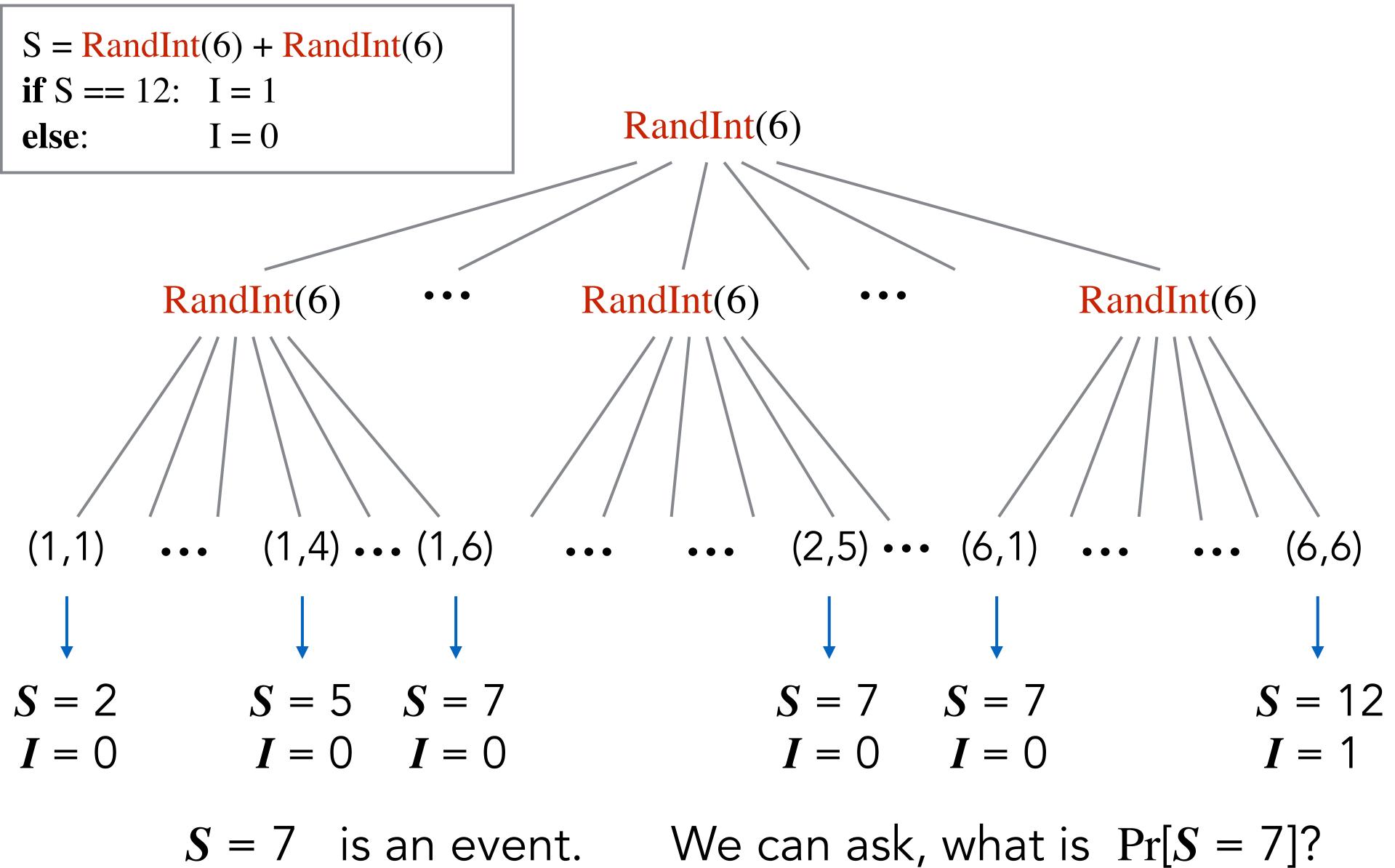




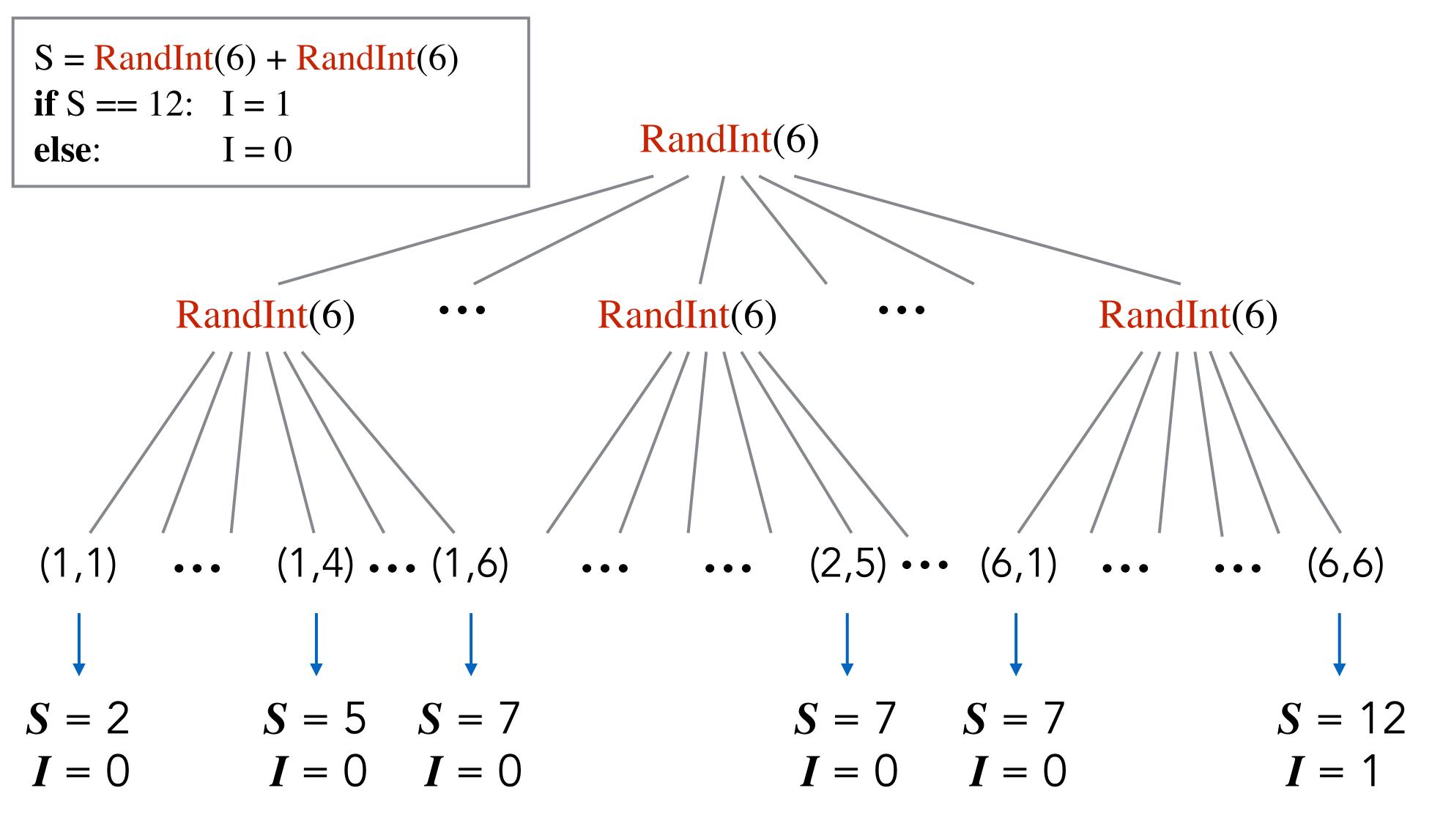




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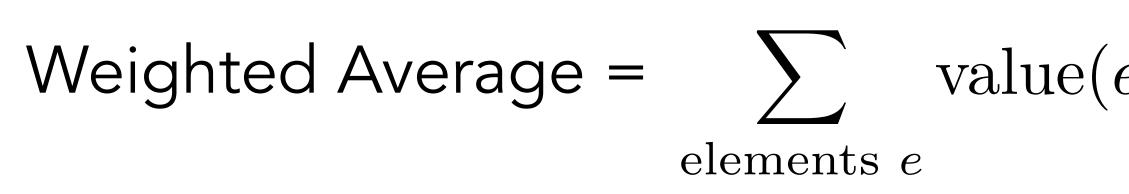
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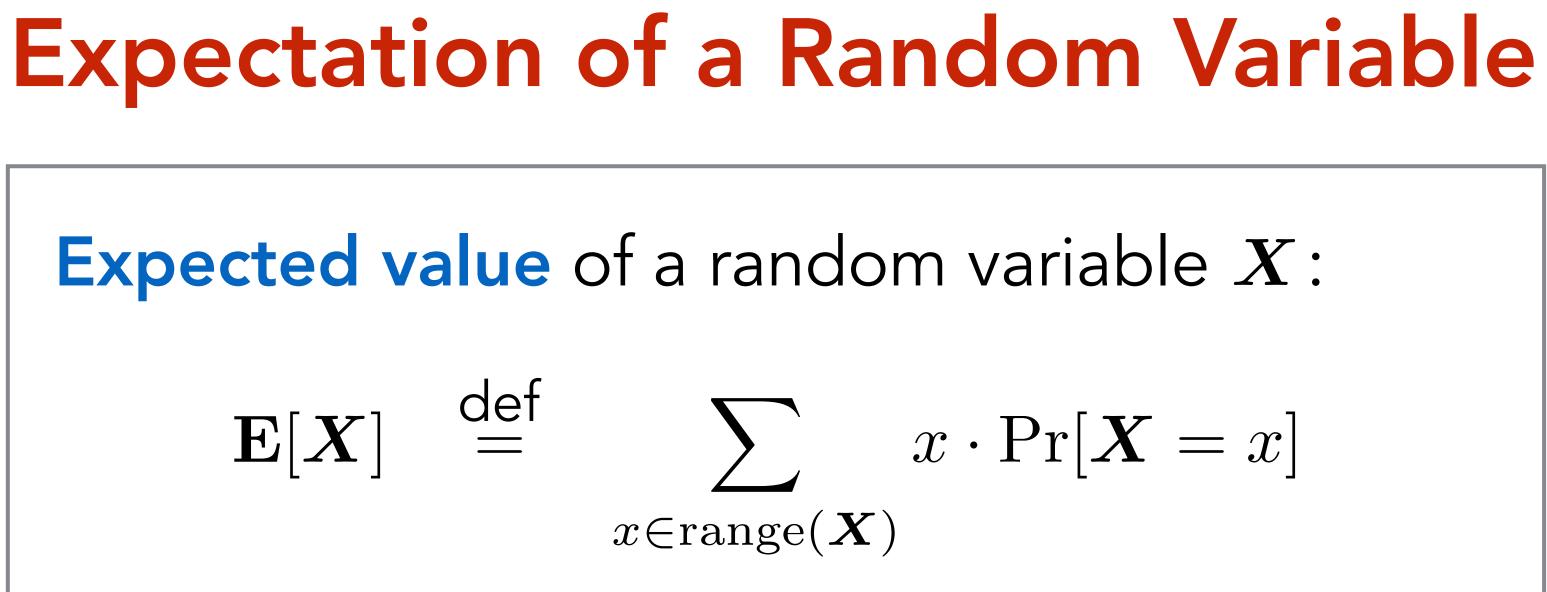


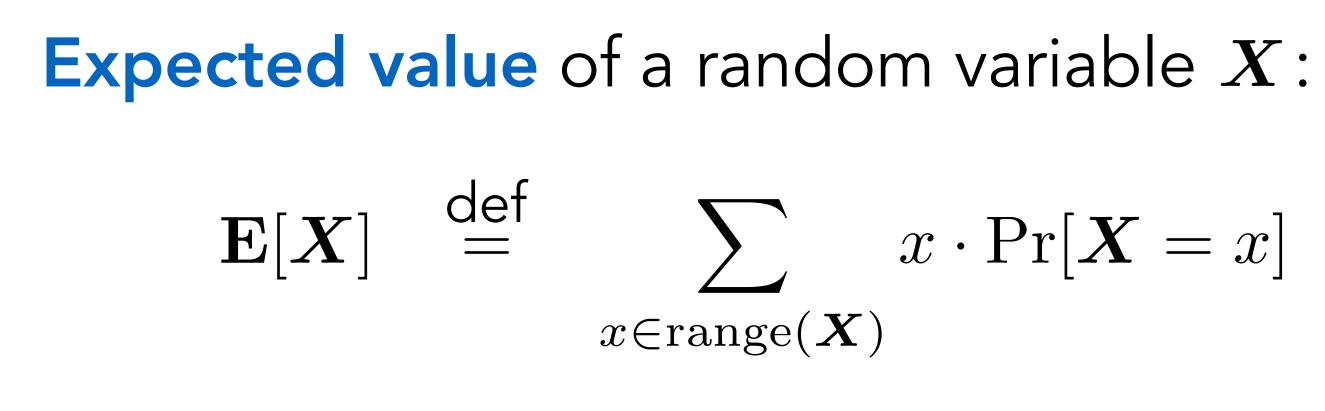
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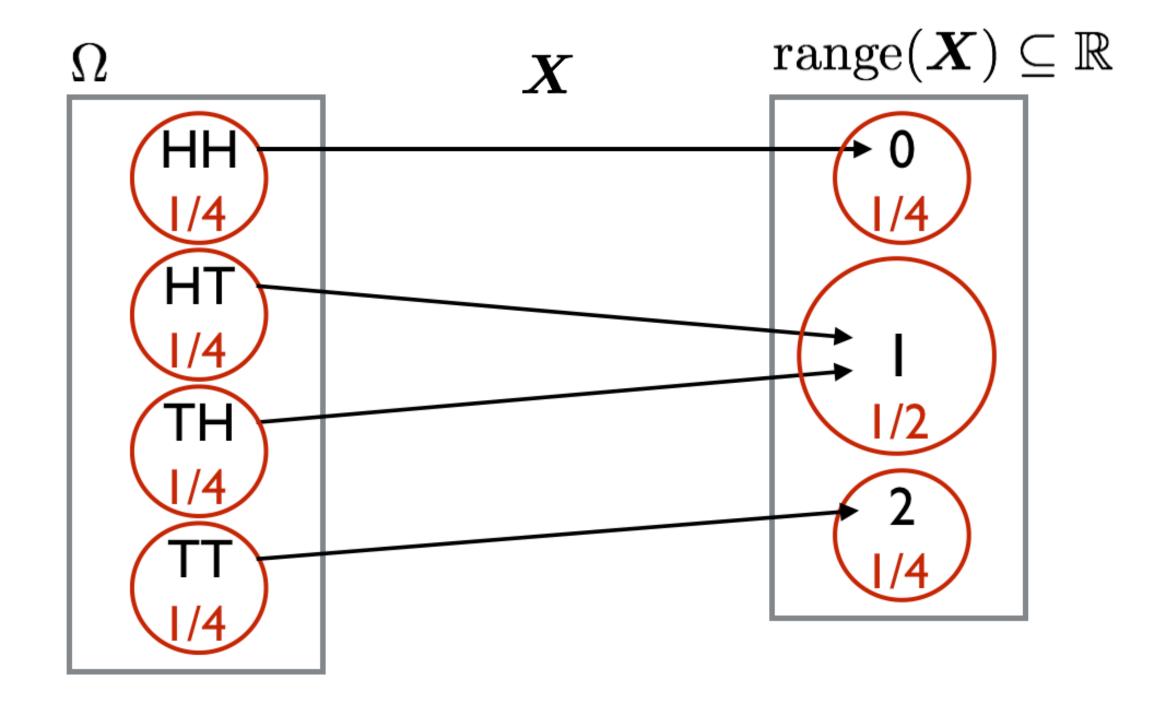
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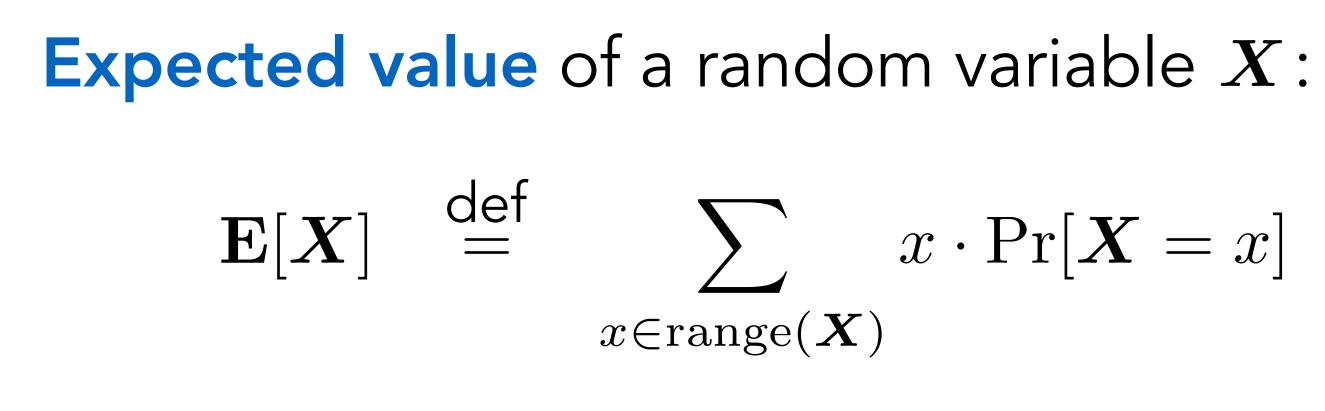
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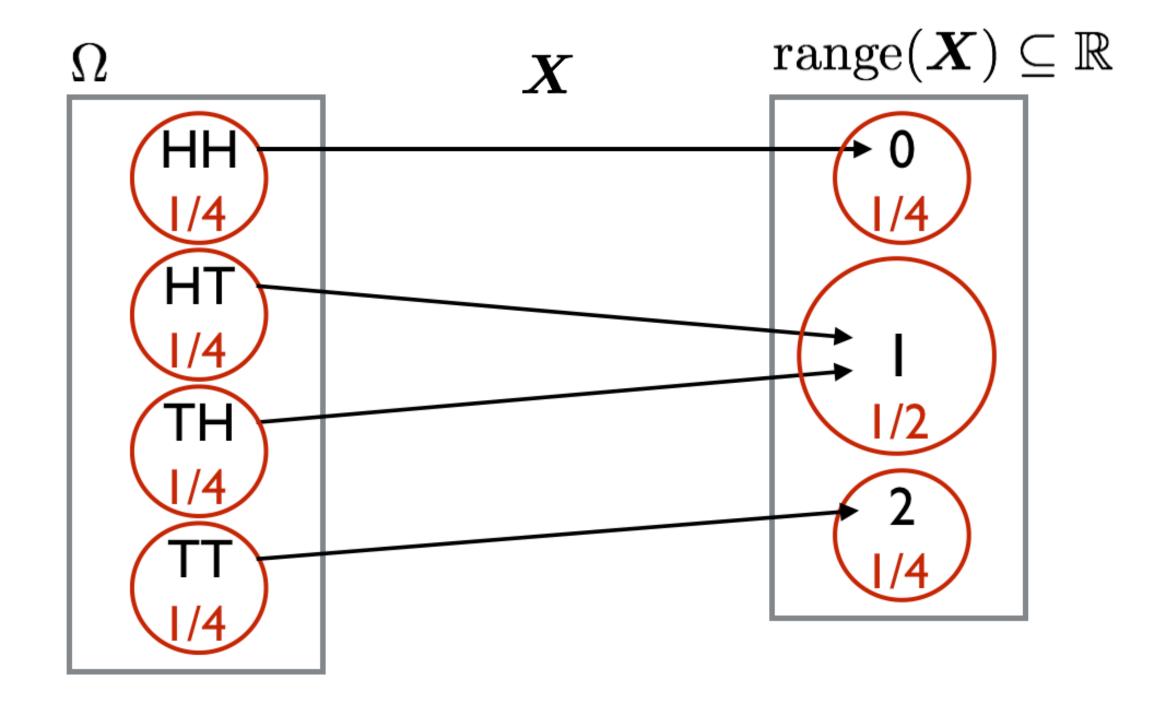








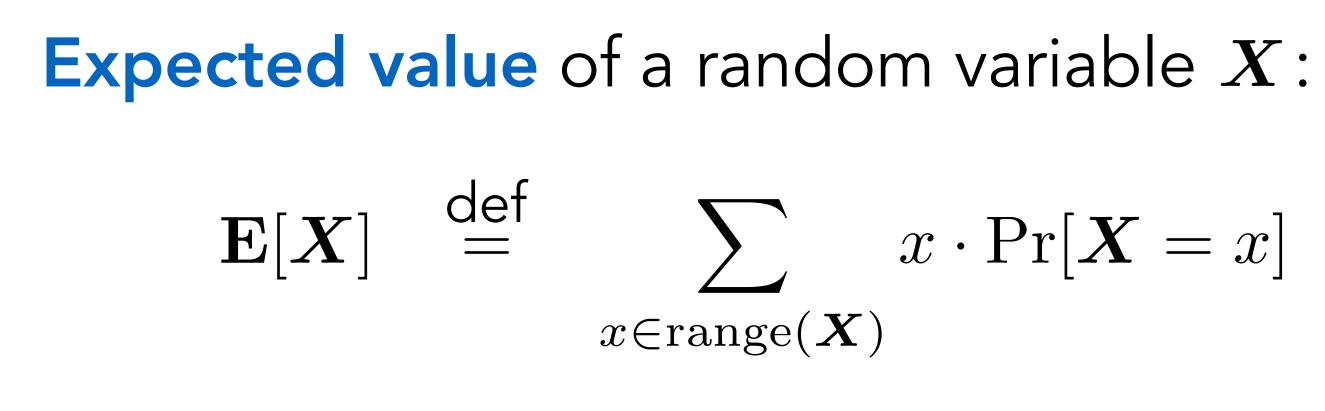


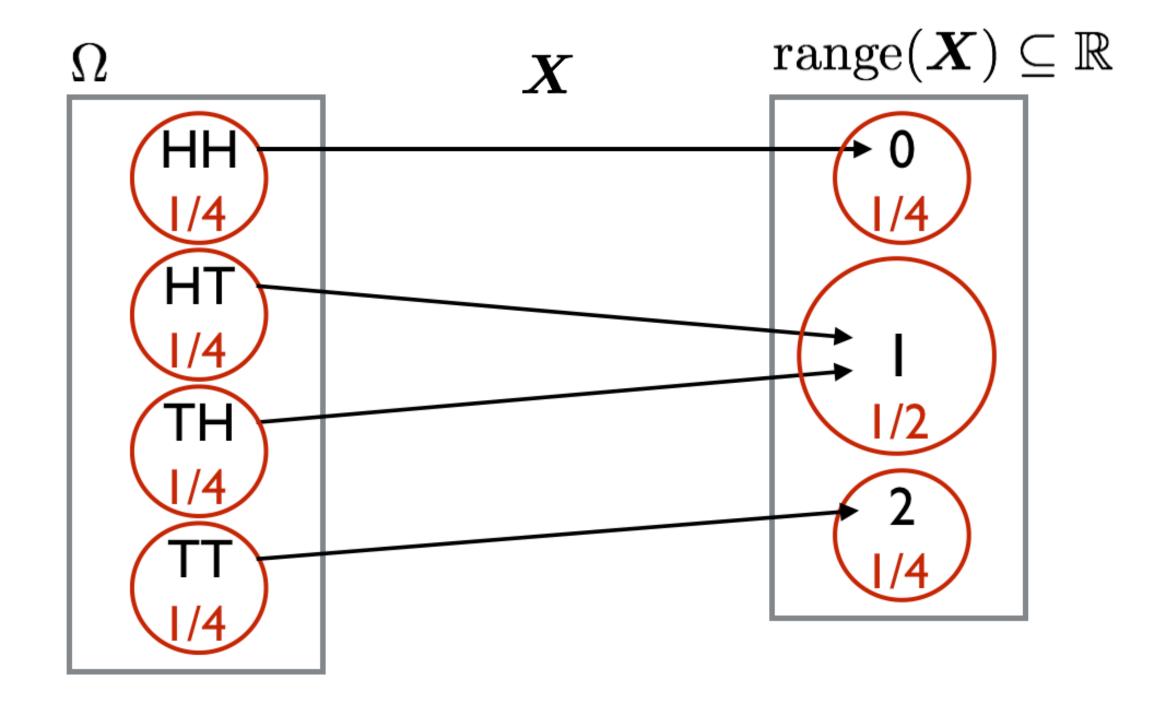


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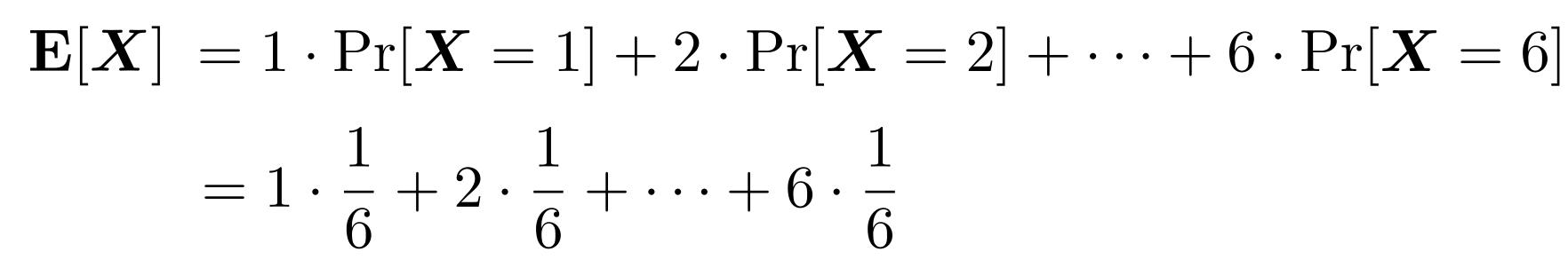
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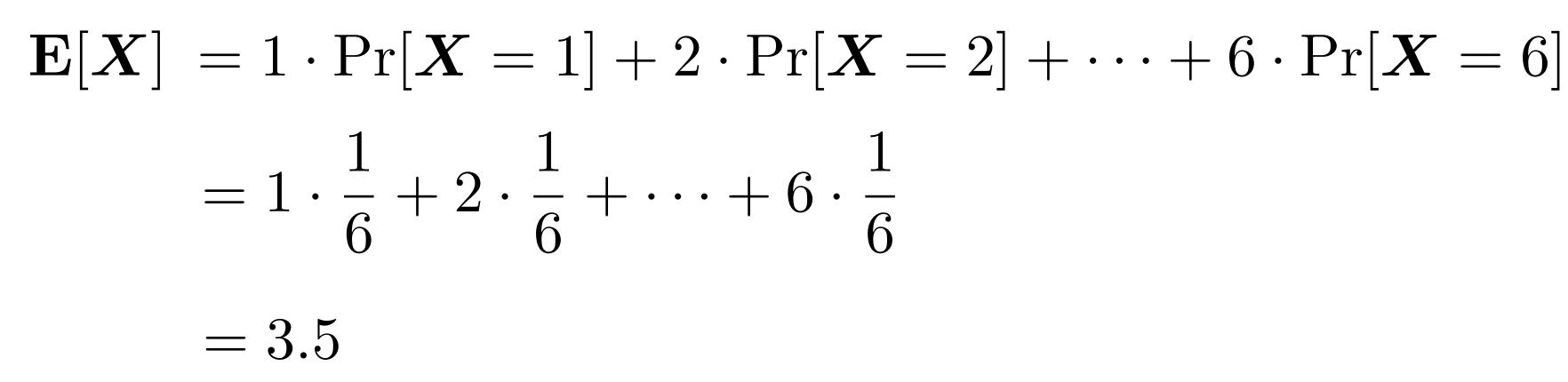
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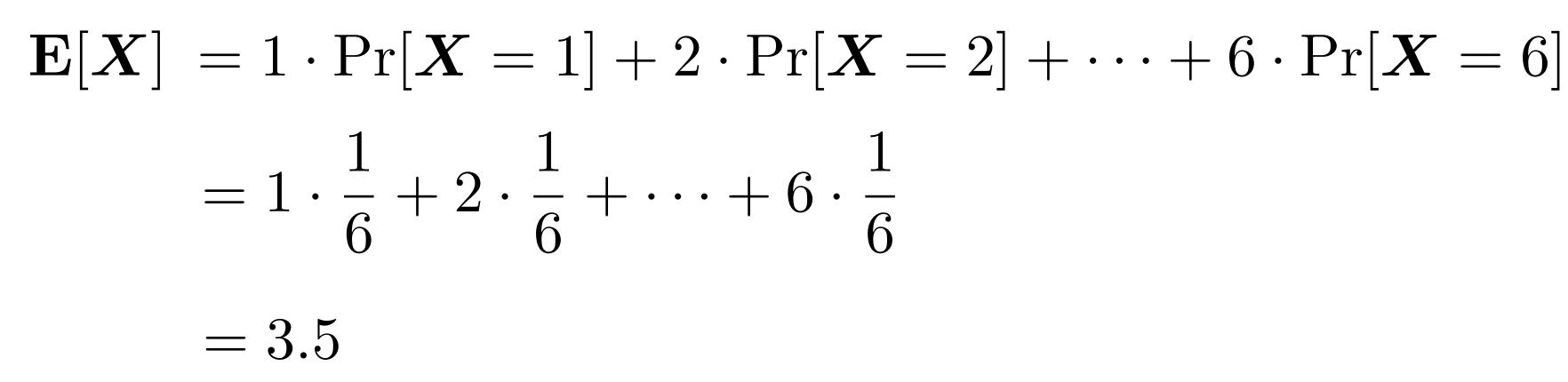
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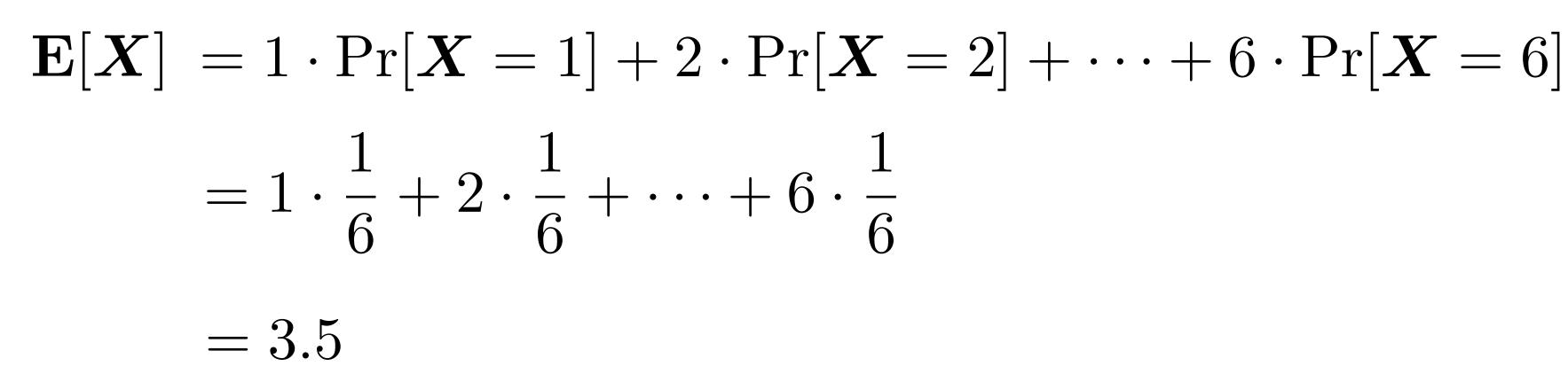


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 $\therefore \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{X}] = 251 \cdot (1/251) = 1$ 



#### Questions

Can we go back to answering more questions in lecture?

I am still confused what is NP. After trying to get an intuition of its definition, I am still confused here.

I gave ChatGPT a piece a piece of code and it correctly told me that it wouldn't halt. I gave it a different piece of code and it correctly told me that it would. Does this mean ChatGPT can solve some instances of the halting problem?

What does mean in the context of computability (ie this kind of seems to contradict that HALTS is undecidable so is AI changing the limits of what is computable by being "computationally stronger" than TMs?)?

What are some problems that were thought to be in NP but was actually in P?

What are ways that people attempt to prove P = NP? Is it just trying to develop polynomial-time algorithms for NP-complete problems, or are there other methods?

From what was told in lecture, it seems like we are far from having the capabilities of answering the question of whether P = NP. If this is the case, is the question still worth pursuing? How much progress has been made in answering the question?

What other large complexity classes are there?

Why is clique no complete when clique 251 is in P? Isn't clique 251 just clique with k = 251?

why do we need the first and last vertices to be unmatched in an augmenting path? Is the augmenting path only for characterization of maximum matching?

Why is Gale-Shapley even used if there are algorithms that can output "more even/fair" stable matchings, such that Y is not always matched with its worst valid partner?

Do you think humans are deterministic TMs or not? Can emotions be completely modeled?

#### Some More Random Variables



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## Notice: $E[XY] \neq E[X] E[Y]$ in general!

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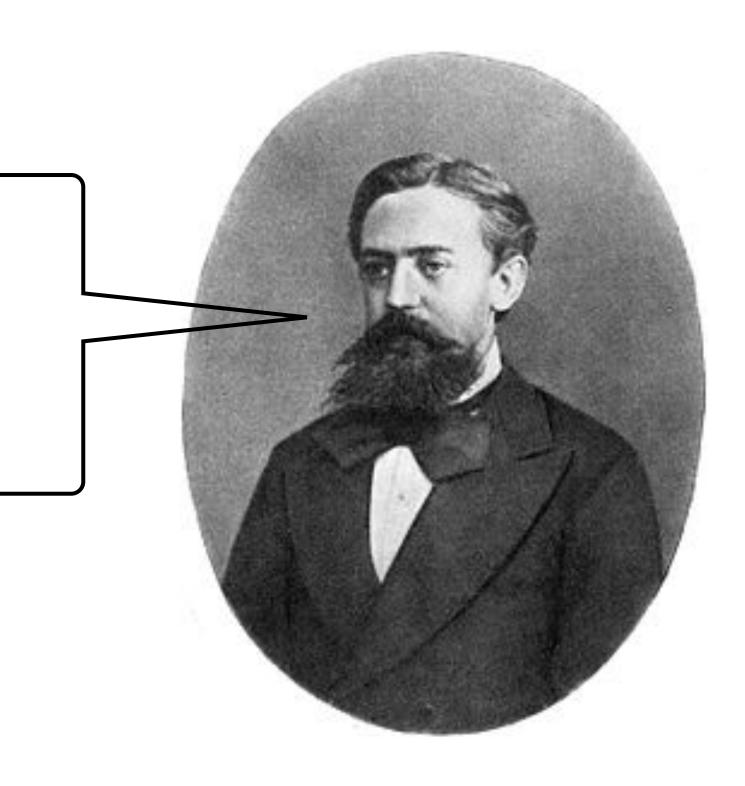
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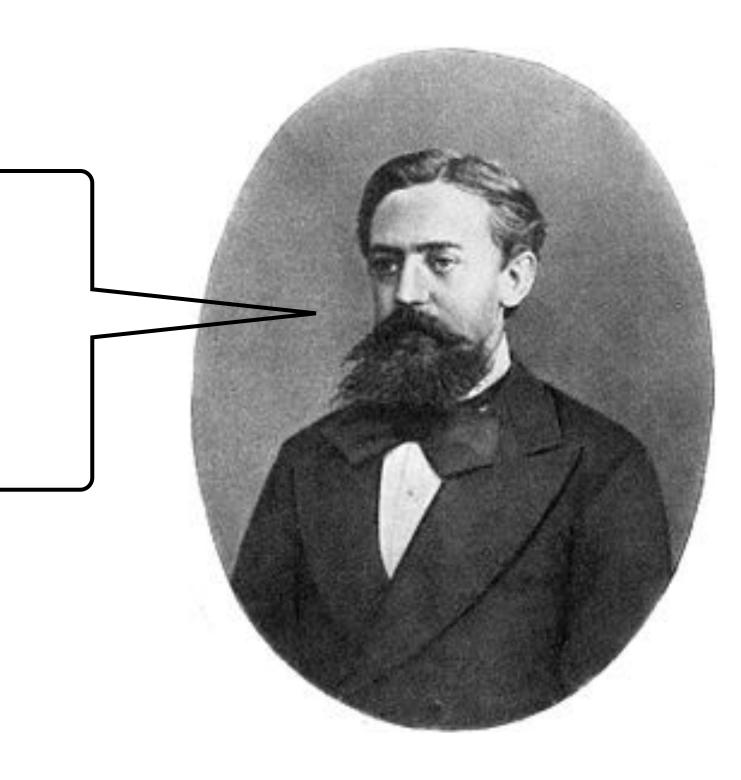
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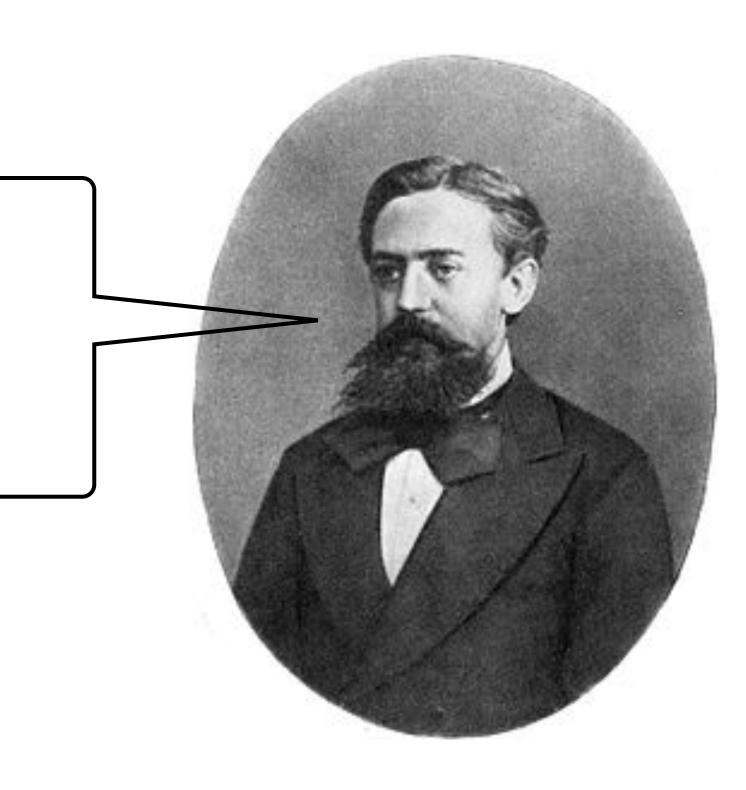


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Let X be a random variable that is always non-negative. Then for any  $c \geq 1$ ,

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### Most Common 3 Random Variables

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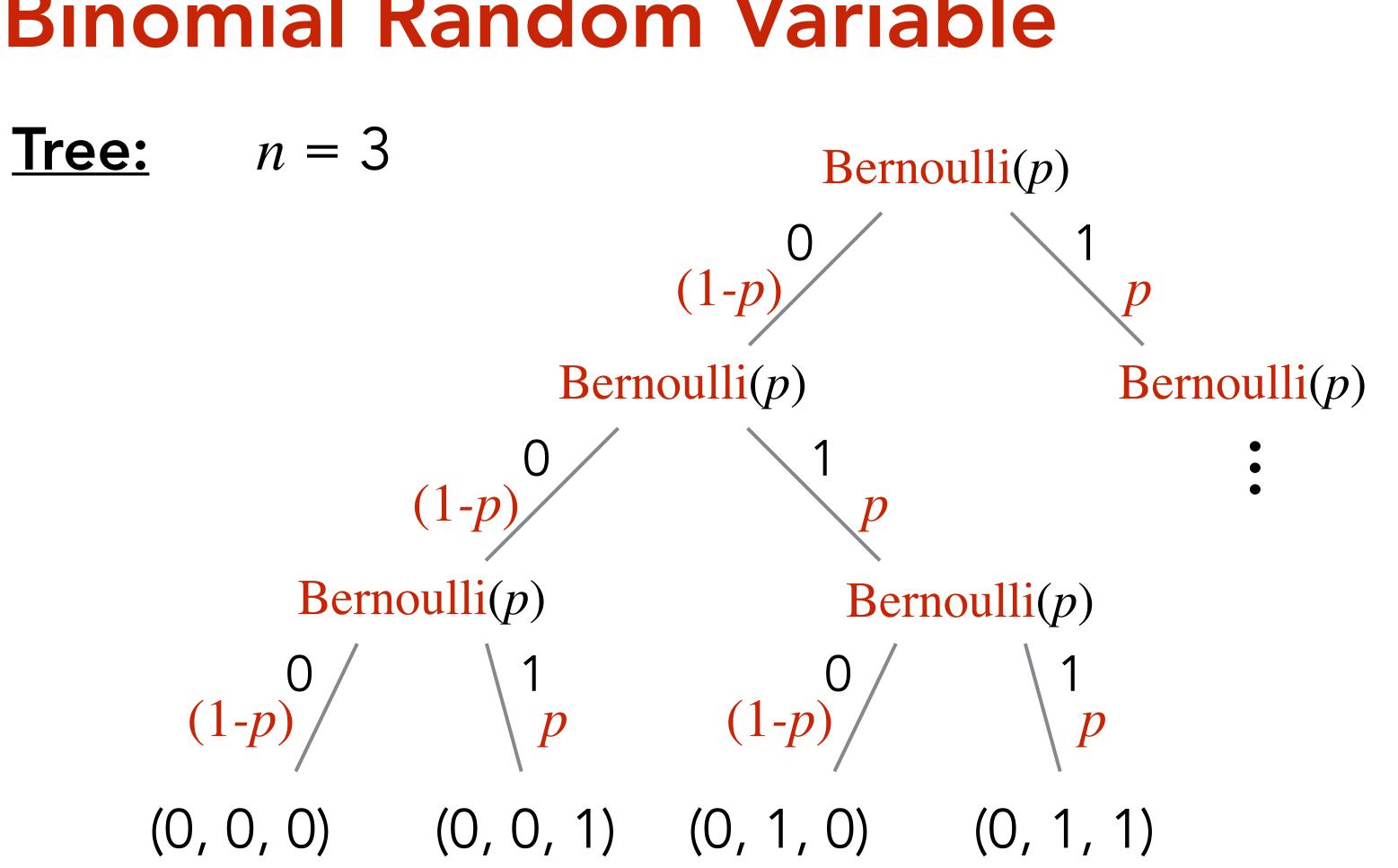
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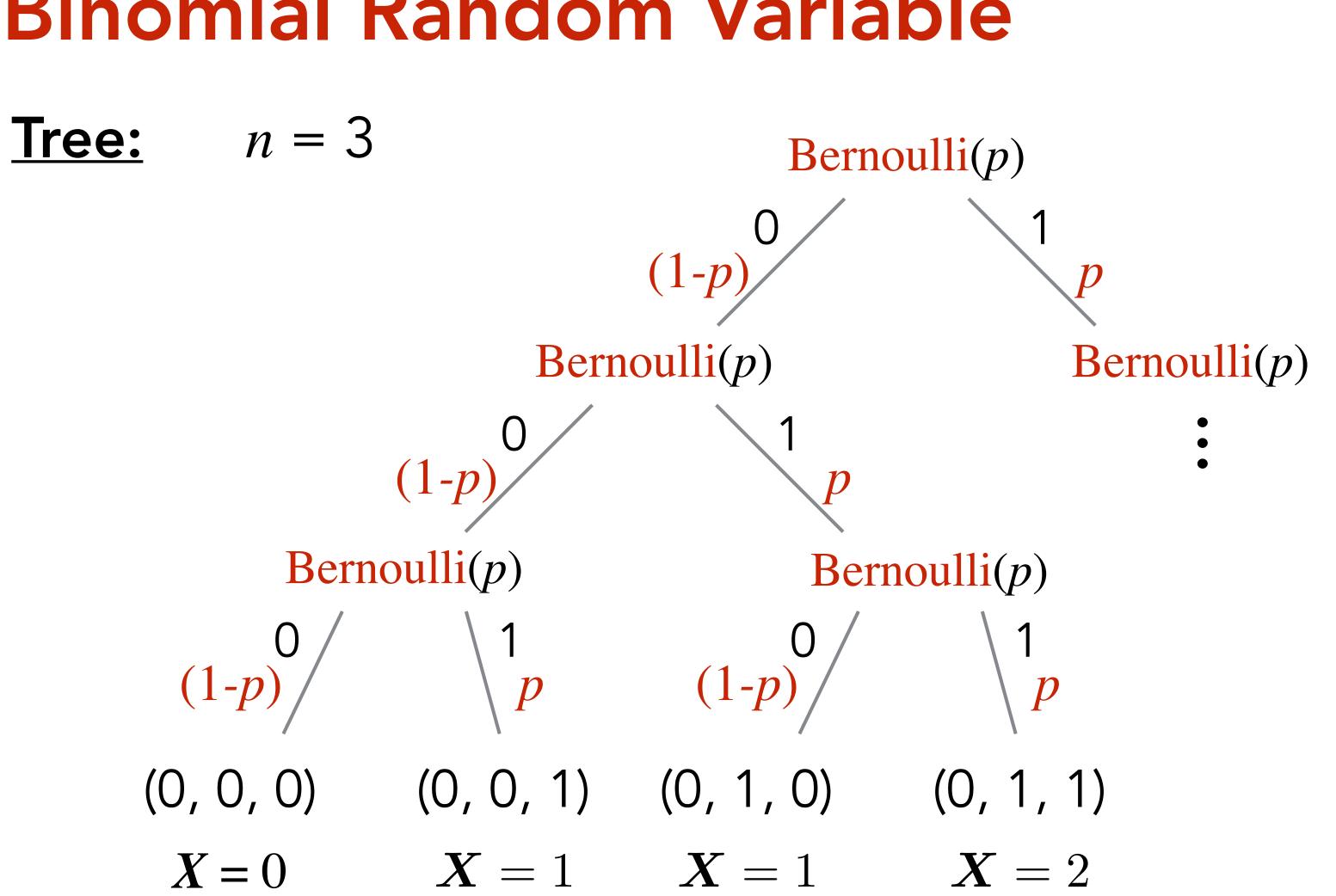
X = 0

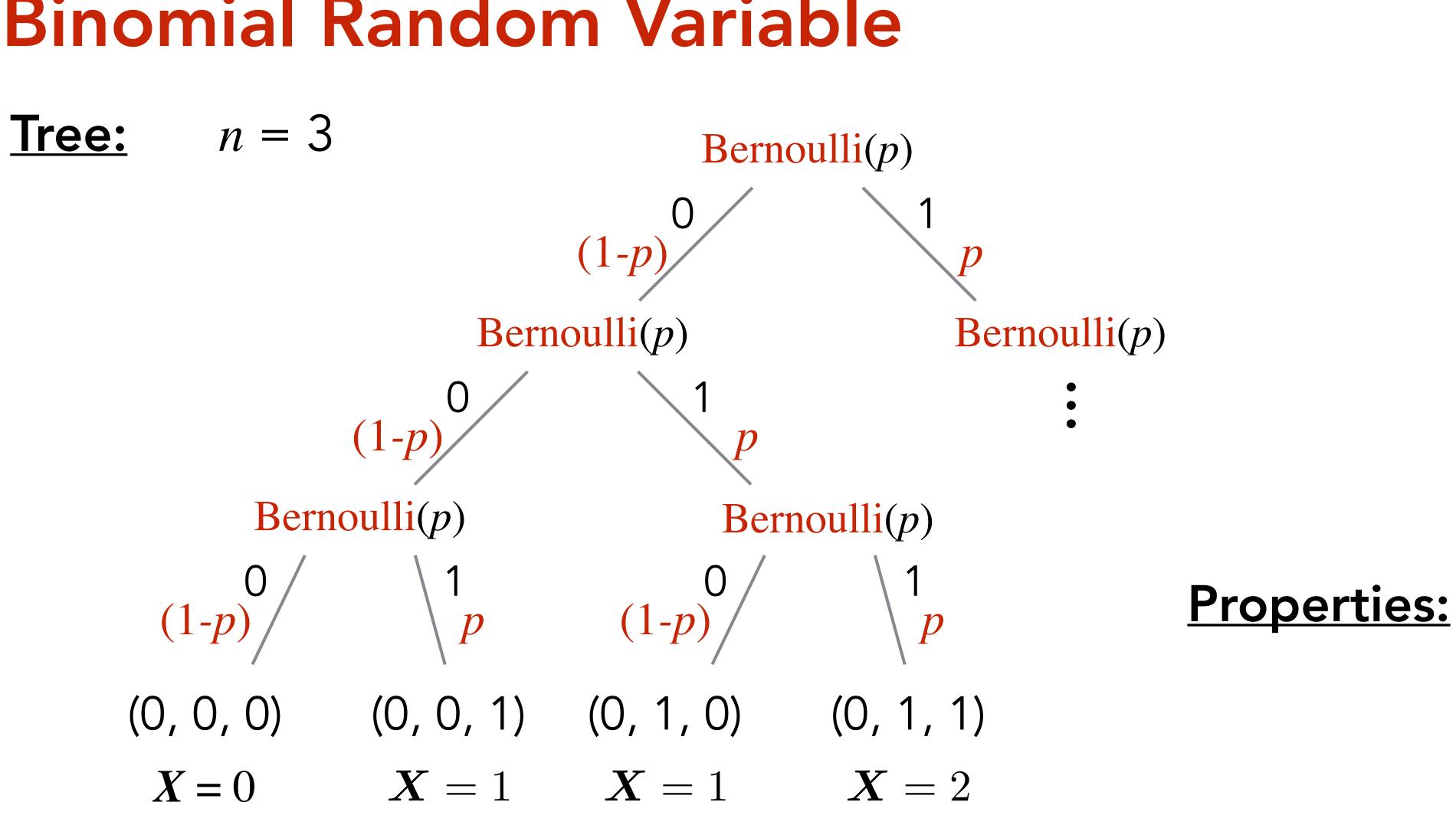
repeat n times: X += Bernoulli(*p*)

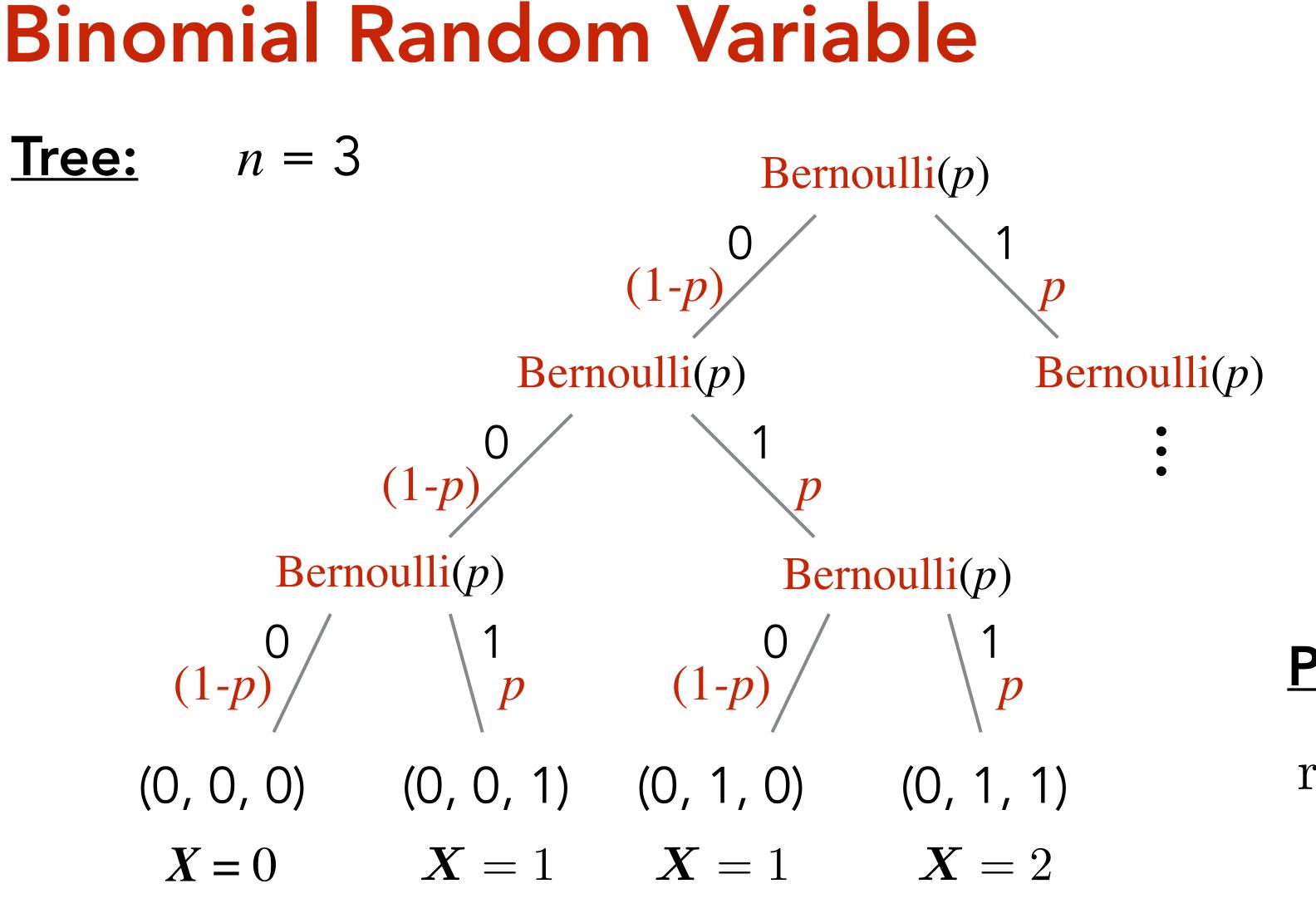


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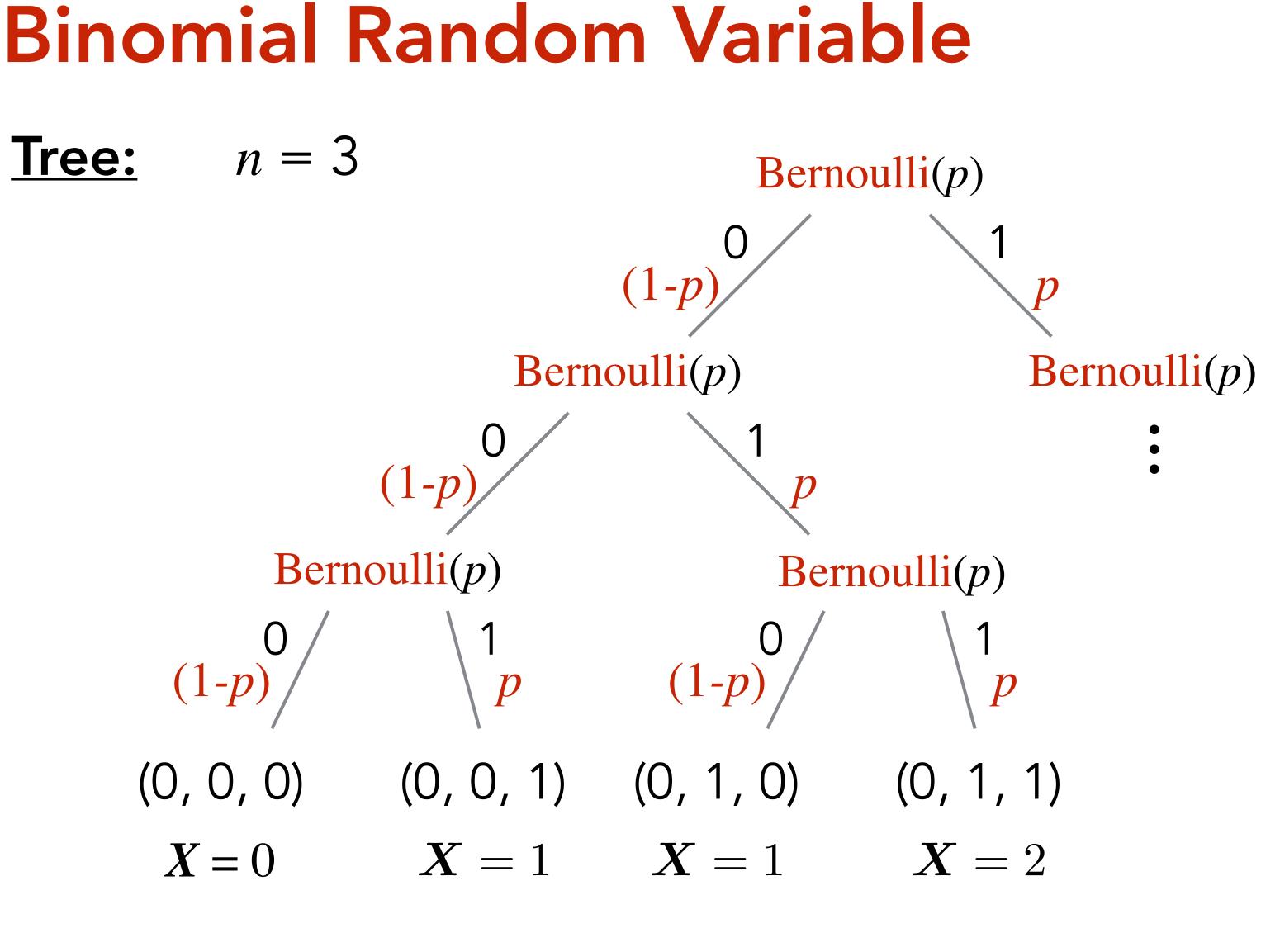






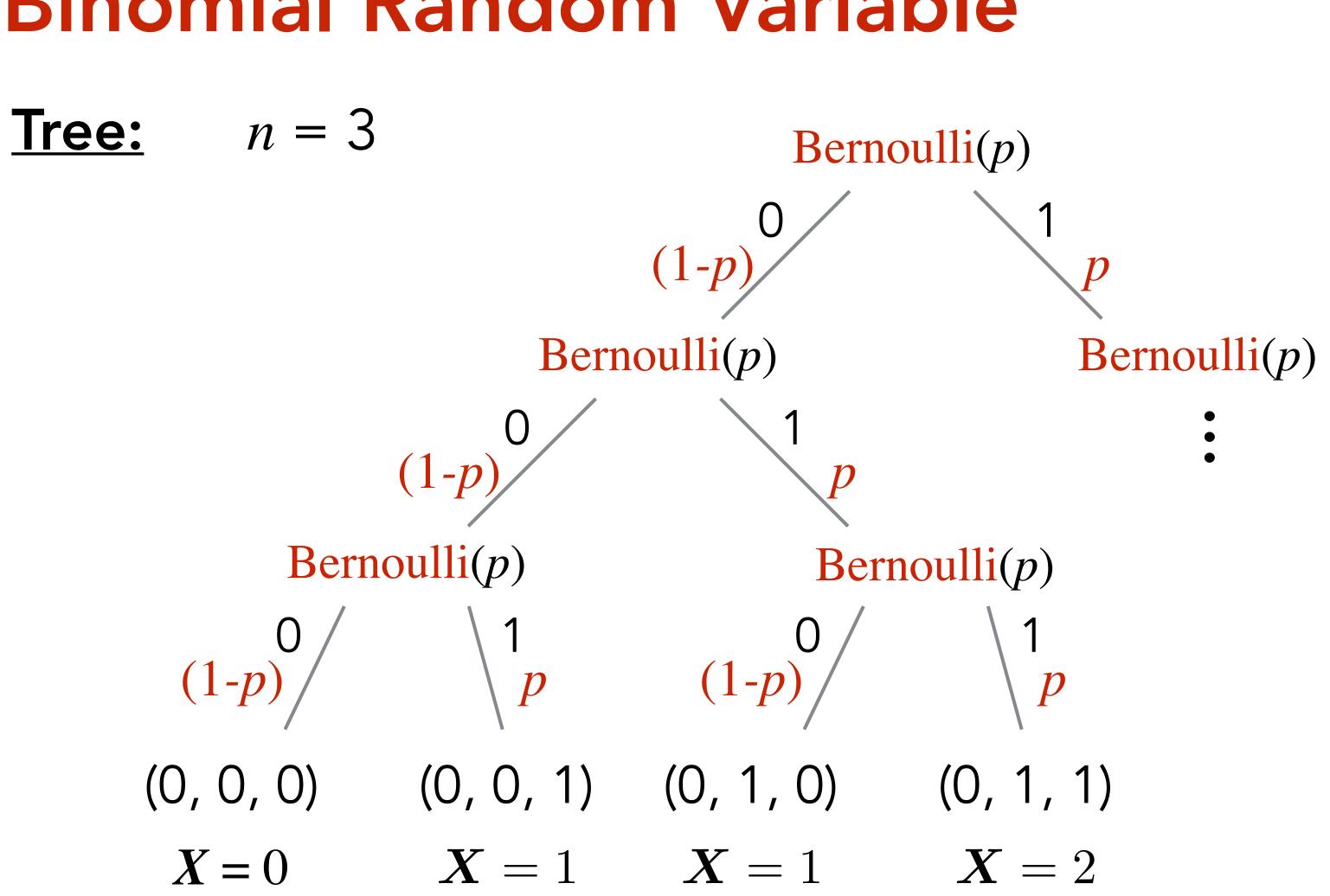
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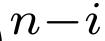
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$$X = 1$$
  
while Bernoulli(p) == 0:  
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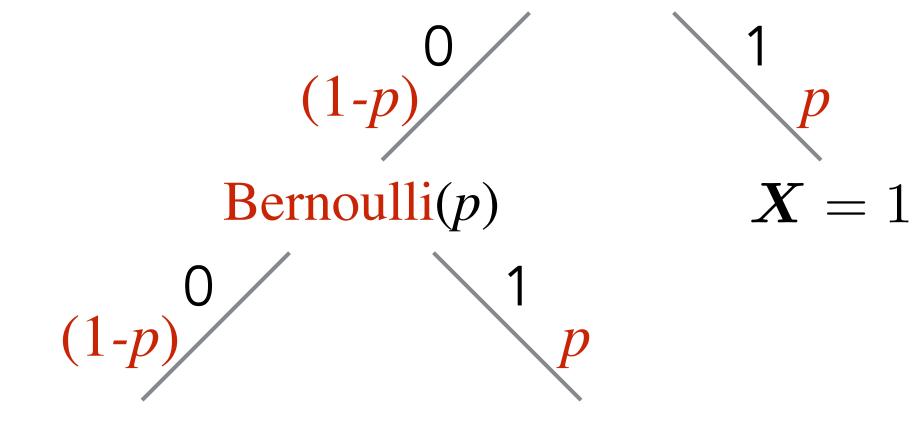
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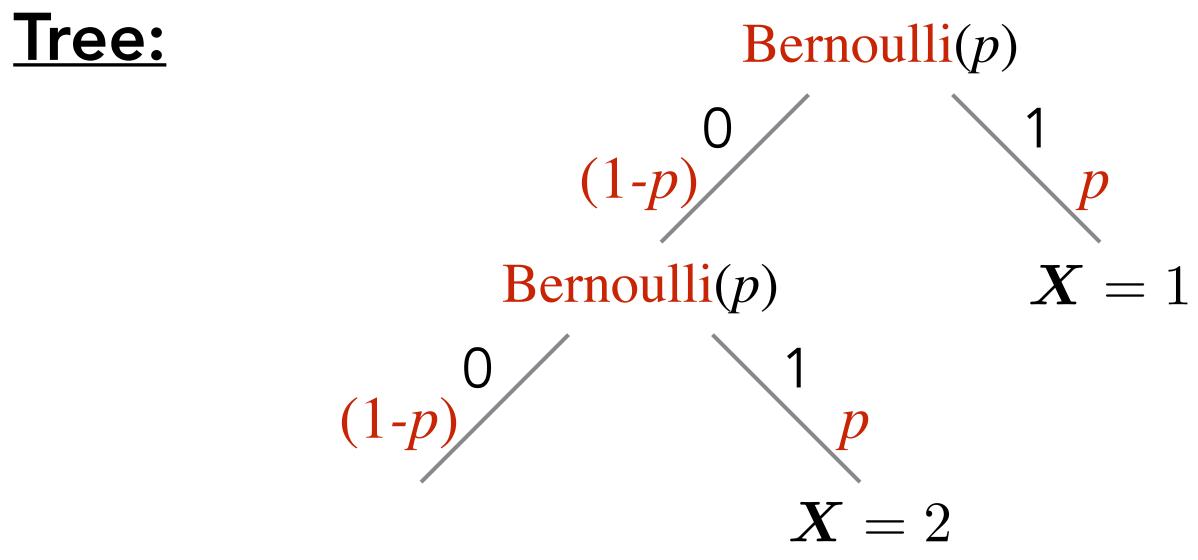
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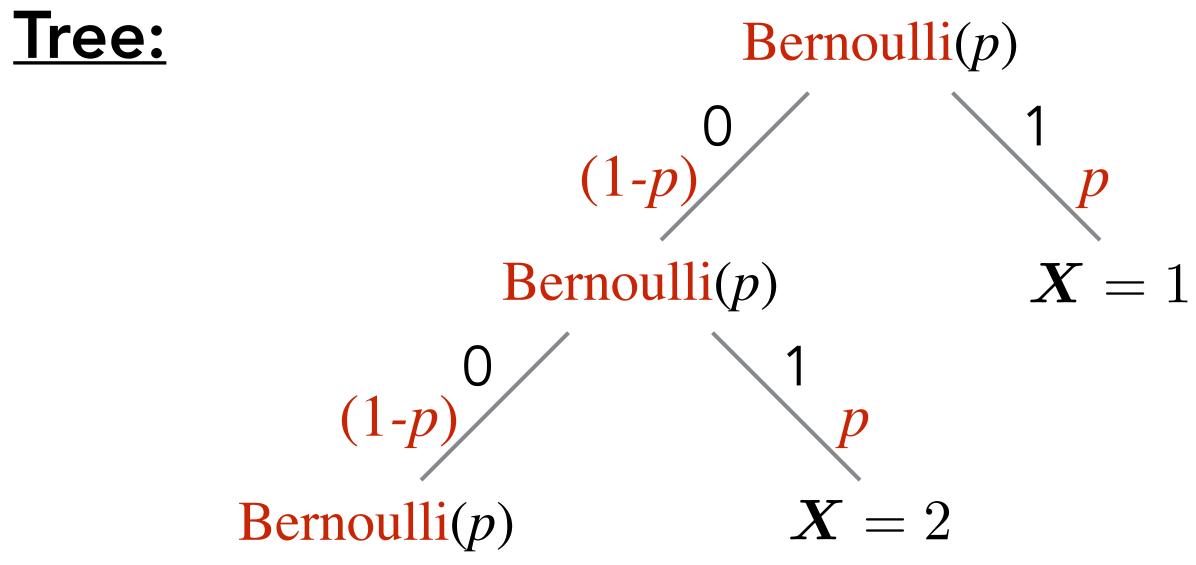
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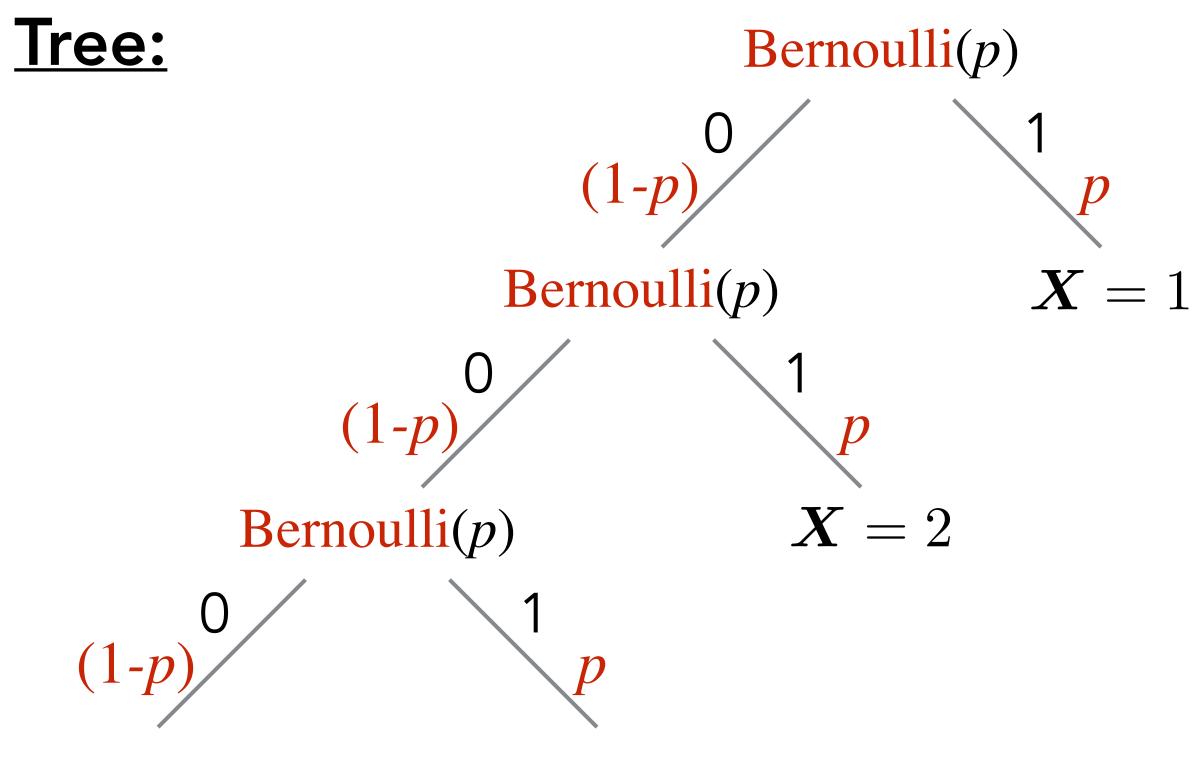


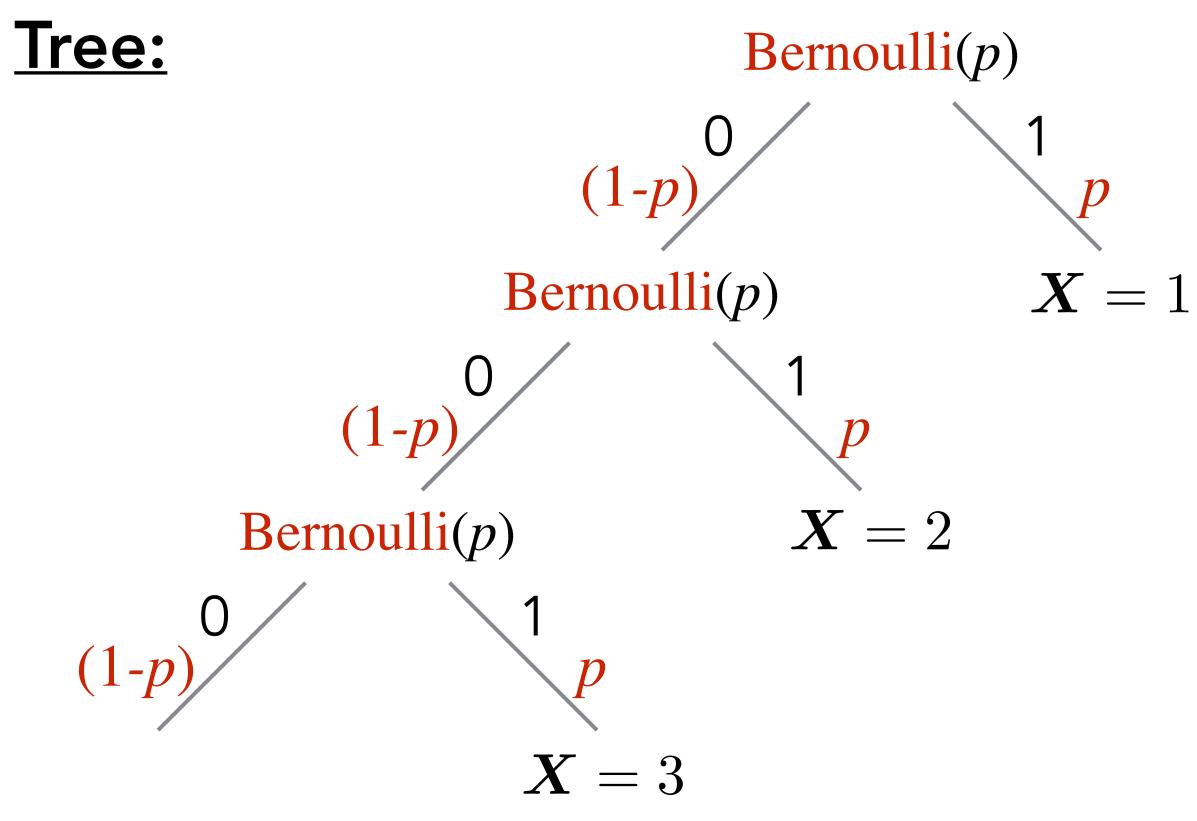
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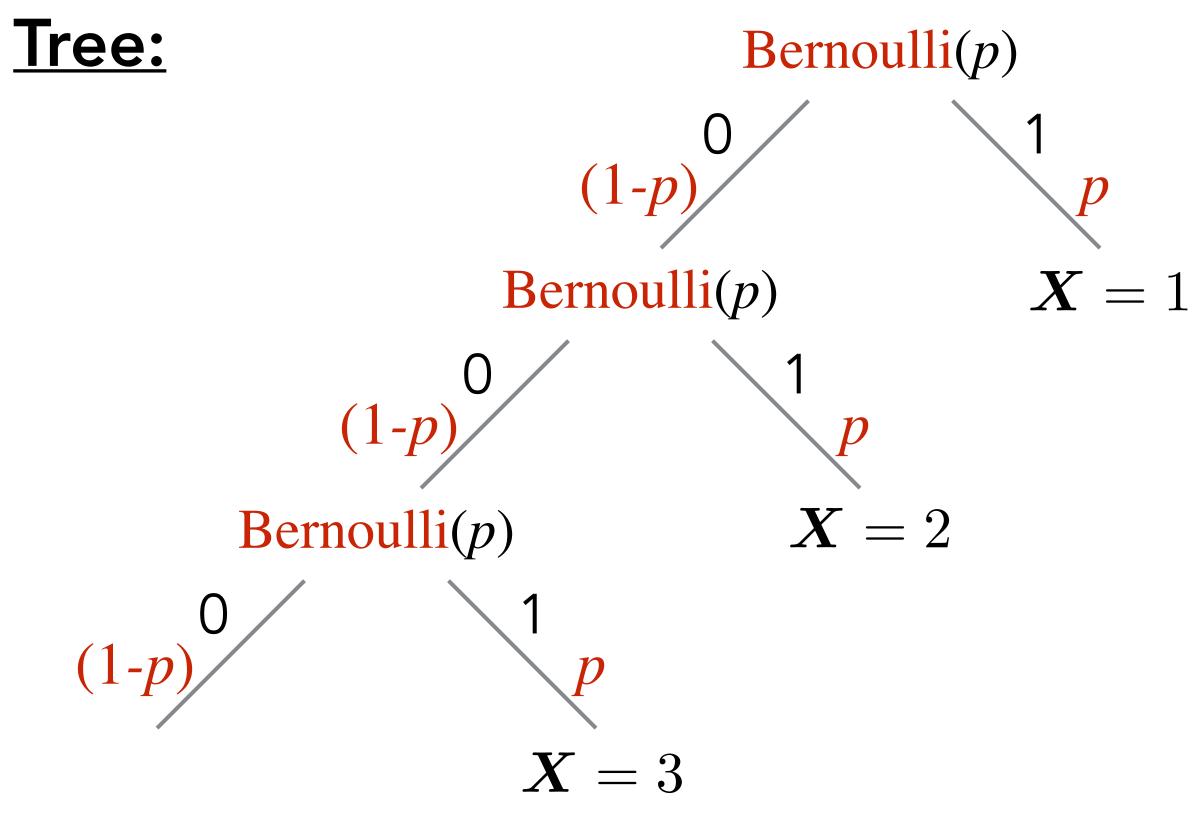




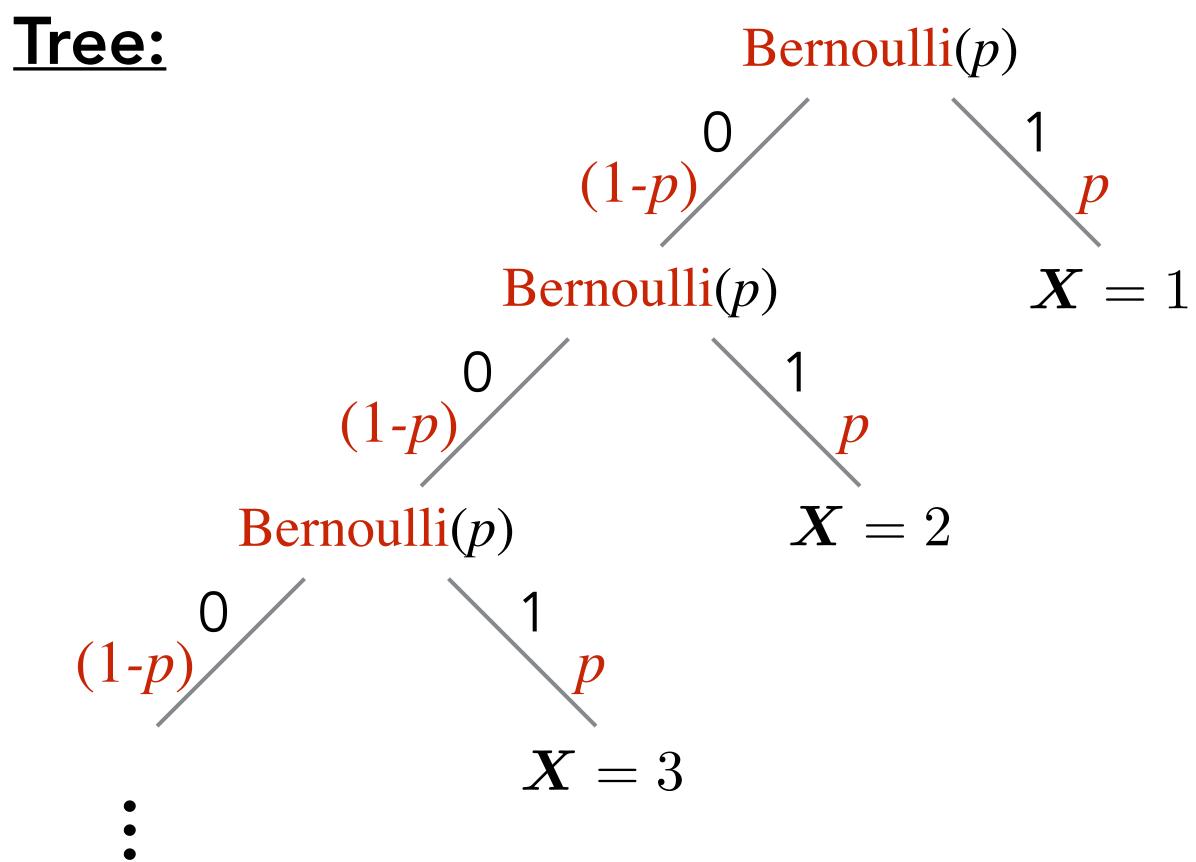




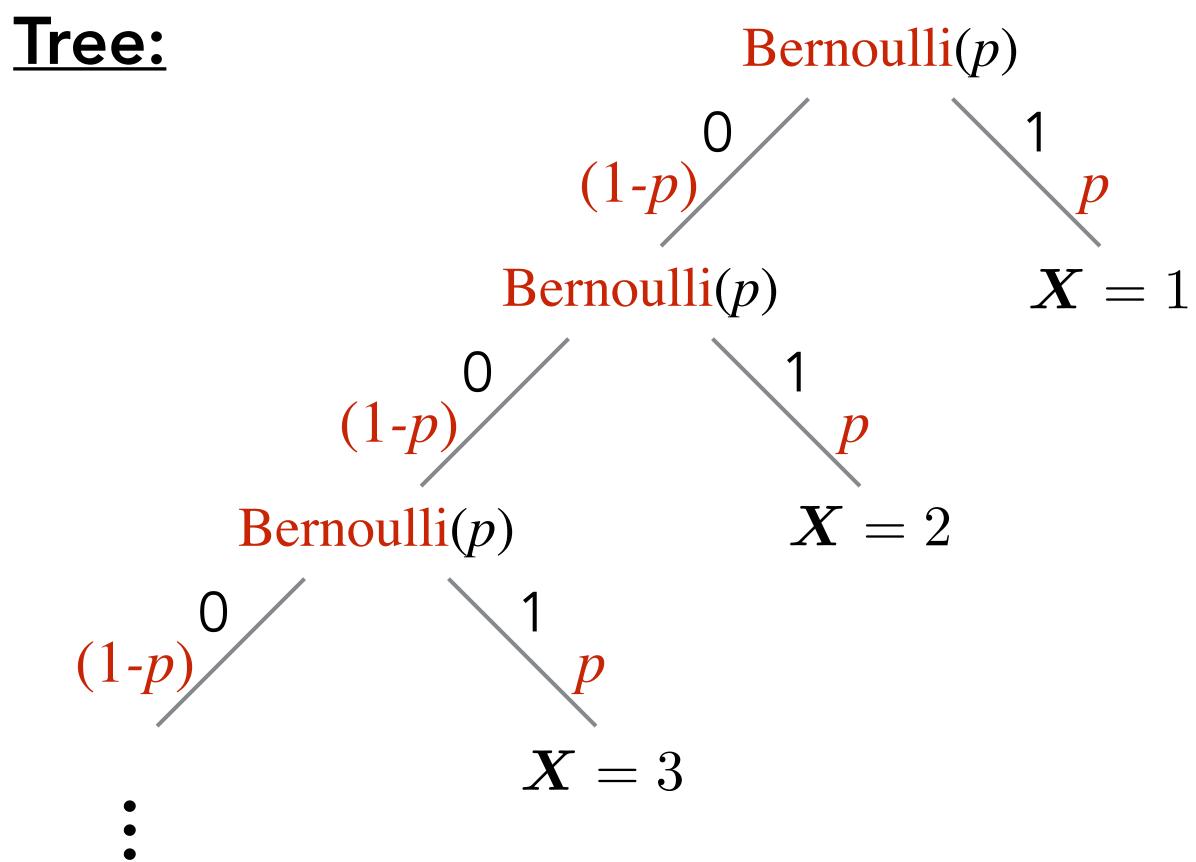




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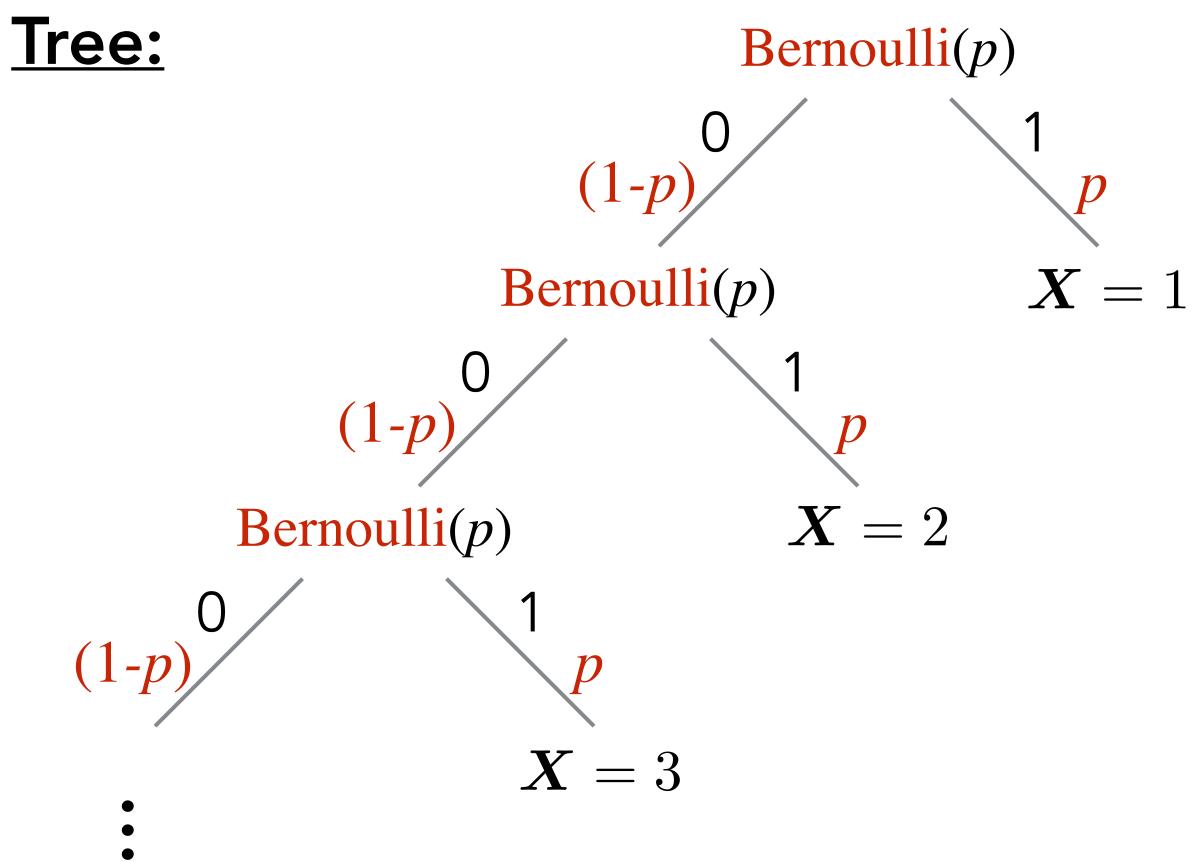


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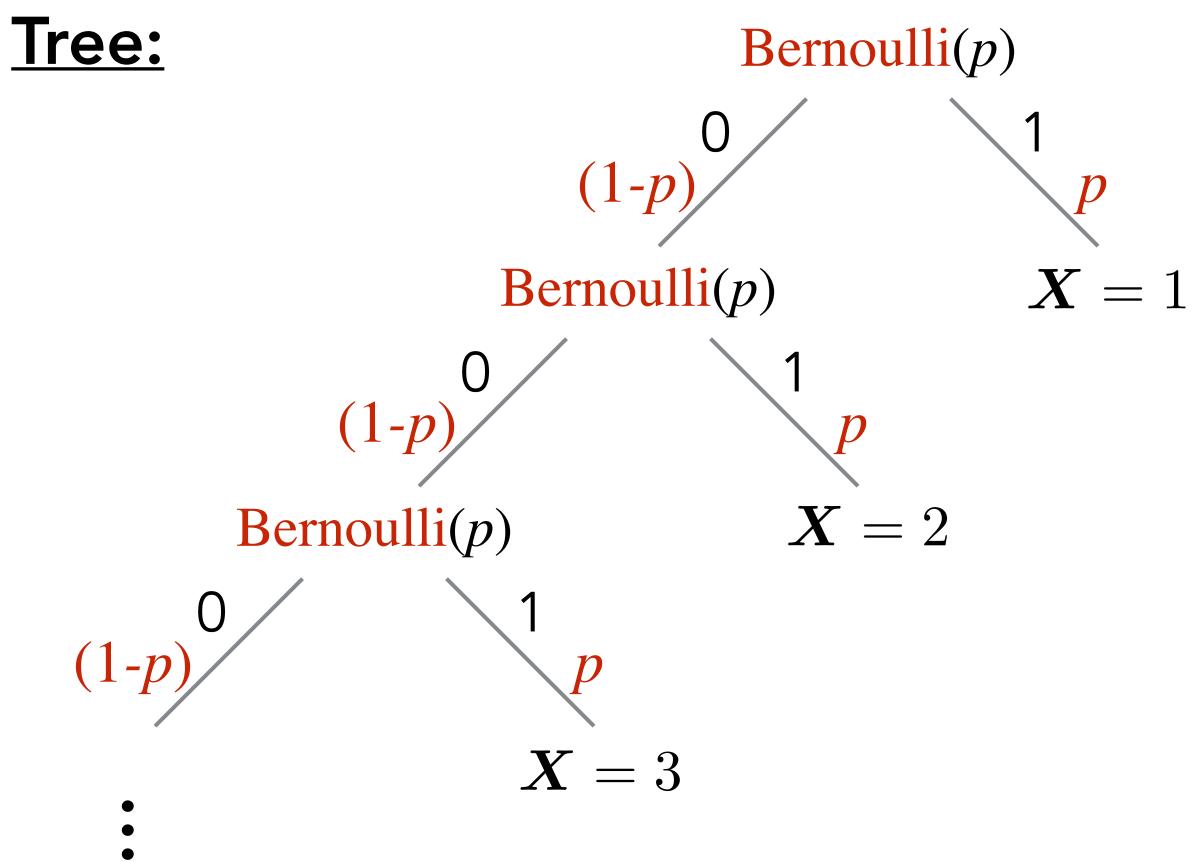
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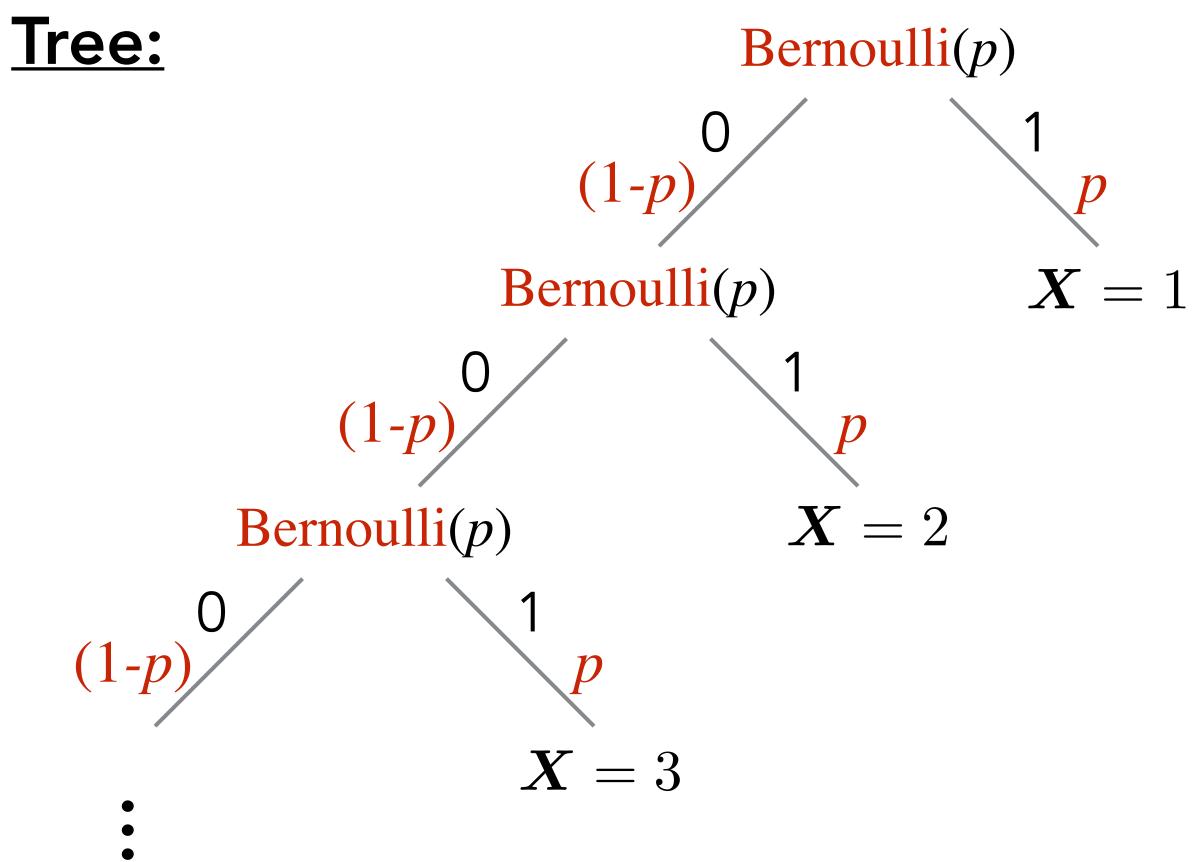


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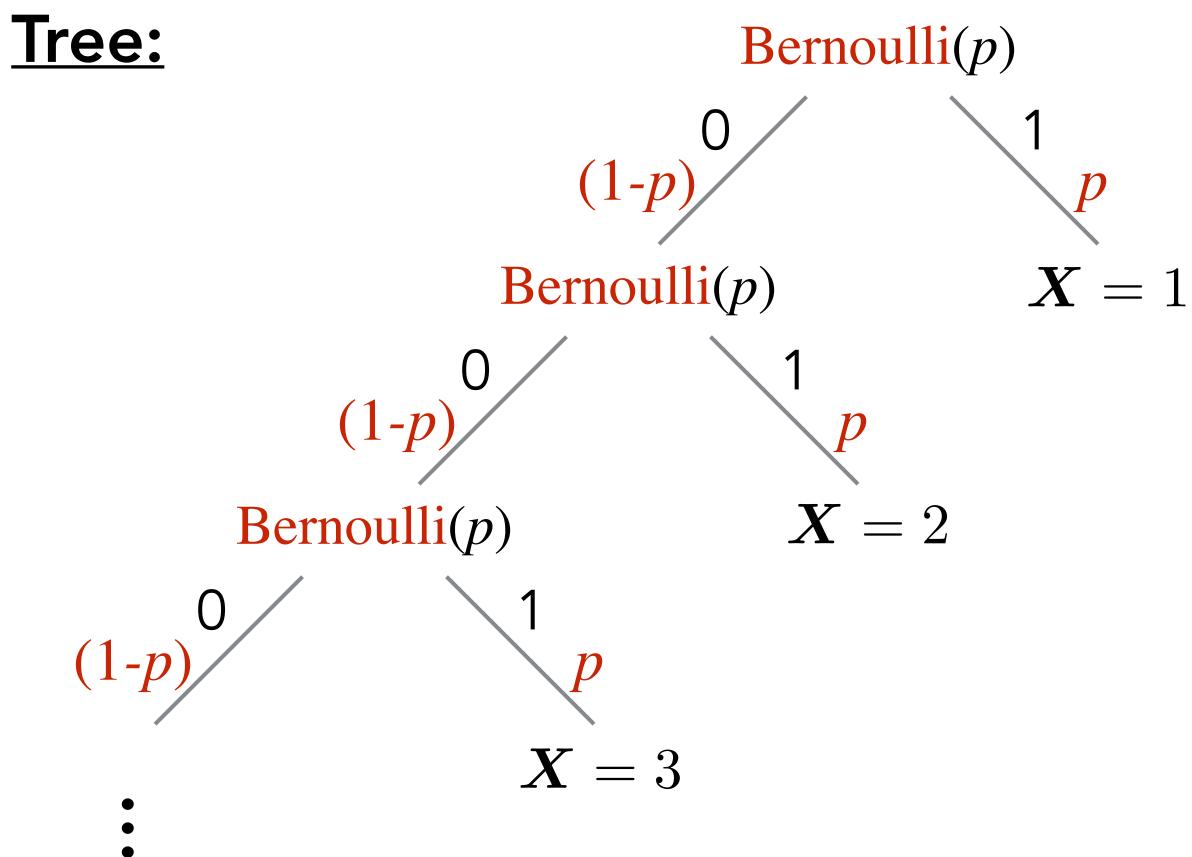
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### Next Time:

### Introduction to Randomized Algorithms



