

# CS188 Discussion 8:

## Bayes Nets: Exact Inference

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# Bayes Nets

- Syntax
  - Directed acyclic graph
  - One node per variable
  - A conditional probability table for each node given its parents
- Independence
  - Given its parents, each node is conditionally independent of its ancestors, aka  $P(X_T | X_1 \dots X_{T-1}) = P(X_T | \text{Parents}(X_T))$
  - $$P(X_1, \dots, X_N) = P(X_1)P(X_2 | X_1) \dots P(X_N | X_1 \dots X_{N-1})$$
$$= \prod_i P(X_i | \text{Parents}(X_i))$$

# Inference by Enumeration

- Want  $P(Q|e)$ 
  - Query variables:  $Q$
  - Evidence variables:  $e$
  - Hidden variables:  $H$
- Steps
  - Select entries consistent with evidence where  $E=e$
  - Sum  $H$  out:  $P(Q, e) = \sum_h P(Q, h, e)$
  - Normalize:  $P(Q|e) = P(Q, e)/P(e)$
- Con: exponentially many products

		Temperature		
		hot	cold	
Weather	sun	0.45	0.15	0.60
	rain	0.02	0.08	0.10
	fog	0.03	0.27	0.30
	meteor	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.50	0.50	

$P(W)$

$P(T)$

# Variable Elimination

- Want  $P(Q|e)$
- $P(B \mid j, m) = \alpha \sum_{e,a} P(B) P(e) P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a)$  ← Inference by enumeration  
 $= \alpha P(B) \sum_e P(e) \sum_a P(a|B,e) P(j|a) P(m|a)$  ← Variable elimination
- Steps
  - While there are still hidden variables:
    - Pick a hidden variable  $h$
    - $P$  = the product of all factors including  $h$
    - Eliminate (sum out)  $h$  from  $P$
  - Join remaining variables (using pointwise product) and normalize

# Types of factors

Factors are like the intermediary CPTs

For example, A and J are binary variables

$P(A, J)$

A \ J	true	false
true	0.09	0.01
false	0.045	0.855

- $\sum_{a,j} P(A=a, J=j)$   
 $= P(a, j) + P(\neg a, j) + P(a, \neg j) + P(\neg a, \neg j) = 1$
- $\sum_a P(A=a, J=j) = P(a, j) + P(\neg a, j) = P(j)$
- $\sum_a P(A=a | J=j) = P(\neg a | j) + P(a | j) = 1$   
^show by expanding using conditional probability rule

# Order of Factors

- Ex. **Query:**  $P(D)$ , **hidden:**  $Z, A, B, C$

- ✓ Yes:  $C, B, A, Z$  ✓

$$\begin{aligned} P(D) &= \sum_{z,a,b,c} P(z)P(a|z)P(b|z)P(c|z)P(D|z) \\ &= \sum_z P(z) \sum_a P(a|z) \sum_b P(b|z) \sum_c P(c|z)P(D|z) \\ &= \sum_z P(D, z) \end{aligned}$$

- ✗ No:  $Z, C, B, A$  ✗

$$\begin{aligned} P(D) &= \sum_{a,b,c,z} P(z)P(a|z)P(b|z)P(c|z)P(D|z) \\ &= \sum_a \sum_b \sum_c \sum_z P(z)P(a|z)P(b|z)P(c|z)P(D|z) \\ &= \sum_a \sum_b \sum_c P(a,b,c,D) \end{aligned}$$

