Probabilitistic Graphical Models for Fraud and Anomaly Detection in Insurance

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How to Build a Model with No Data and No Domain Knowledge...

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Obligatory Cliches





"All models are wrong, but some are useful." - George Box



Structure of Talk

- Conditional Dependence, Independence and Bayesian Networks
- The Sprinkler Network
- Medical Non-disclosure
- Building a Model
- Expanding the Model
- Beyond Bayesian Networks
- Summary



Conditional Probability

Probability of 2D6 totalling 11?



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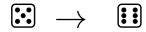


$$P(T=11)=\frac{2}{36}=0.05556$$



Conditional Probability

Probability of 2D6 totalling 11 if first dice is 5?



$$P(T = 11|D_1 = 5) = \frac{1}{6} = 0.1667$$



Conditional Dependence and Independence

Three variables, A, B, C:

A, B independentC depends on AC depends on B

Learn information for C?

A and B conditionally dependent given C.



2D6 Example

Define variables D_1 , D_2 and T:

$$T = D_1 + D_2$$

 D_1 and D_2 independent, T depends on both.

$$D_1$$
 if $T = 7$, $D_1 = 4$?

$$P(D_2 = 3) = 1$$



2D6 Example

Fix
$$T=9$$
:

induces

because

$$\longrightarrow$$

$$\longrightarrow$$



Still have
$$T = D_1 + D_2$$

Define new variables:

$$X_1 = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ iff } T \text{ even} \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 $X_2 = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ iff } T >= 9 \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$

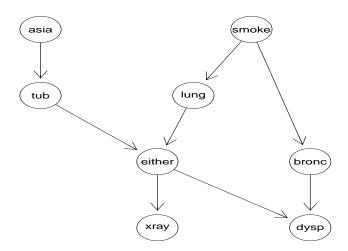
$$T$$
 not known $\Rightarrow X_1, X_2$ dependent T known $\Rightarrow X_1, X_2$ independent

 X_1 and X_2 are conditionally independent given T



Probabilistic Graphical Models represent structural dependence amongst variables

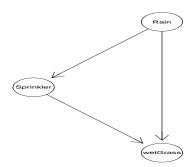






Bayesian Networks

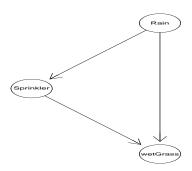
PGM with directed, acyclic graph (DAG):



Conditional Probability Tables (CPTs)



The Sprinkler Network



Variables: (R)aining, (S)prinkler, wet(G)rass



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The Sprinkler Network

```
print(sprinkler_grain$cptlist$Rain)
## Rain
## yes no
## 0.2 0.8
ftable(sprinkler_grain$cptlist$Sprinkler, row.vars = 'Rain')
        Sprinkler yes
##
## Rain
## ves
                 0.01 0.99
## no
                 0.40 0.60
ftable(sprinkler_grain$cptlist$wetGrass, row.vars = c('Rain', 'Sprinkler'))
##
                 wetGrass ves
                                 no
## Rain Sprinkler
## yes yes
                         0.99 0.01
##
        nο
                         0.90 0.10
## no
                         0.80 0.20
        ves
                         0.00 1.00
##
        nο
```



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Some Questions

What is the probability of the grass being wet?

```
querygrain(sprinkler_grain, nodes = 'wetGrass')$wetGrass
## wetGrass
## yes no
## 0.43618 0.56382
```

If the grass is wet, what is the probability that it is raining?

```
querygrain(sprinkler_grain, evidence = list(wetGrass = 'yes'), nodes = 'Rain')$Rain
## Rain
## yes no
## 0.413086 0.586914
```



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Medical Non-disclosure





Problems

Data sparse / missing

Partially missing output variable

Low base-rate problem

Semi-supervised learning



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Fraud Detection





Fraud Detection





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Fraud Detection





Fraud Detection

Full automation difficult!

Create filter instead — triage cases



Build a Model

We want a model which, given the data observed in the policy application, allows us to estimate the probability of a subsequent medical exam changing the underwriting decision on the policy.

The model should incorporate our assumptions of the process and be as simple as possible.



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Consequences



Getting Started

Conditions:

(S)moker: Smoker, Quitter, Non-smoker

(B)MI: Normal, Overweight, Obese

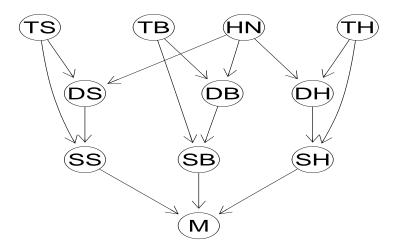
Family (H)istory: None, HeartDisease

Aspects:

- T True state
- D Declared state
- S Seriousness of condition's impact on decision



Medical Exam Network

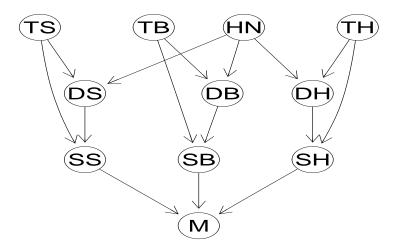




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Bad Teacher Syndrome







```
print(underwriting_grain$cptlist$TH)
## TH
##
           None HeartDisease
           0.95
                        0.05
##
ftable(underwriting_grain$cptlist$DH, row.vars = c('HN', 'TH'))
##
                           DH None HeartDisease
## HN
## Dishonest None
                               0.9
                                            0.1
             HeartDisease
                               0.5
                                            0.5
##
                               0.9
## Honest
             None
                                            0.1
             HeartDisease
                               0.1
                                            0.9
##
ftable(underwriting_grain$cptlist$SH, row.vars = c('TH', 'DH'))
##
                              SH Serious NotSerious
## TH
                DH
## None
                None
                                    0.01
                                                0.99
                HeartDisease
                                    0.20
                                                0.80
##
## HeartDisease None
                                    0.60
                                                0.40
##
                HeartDisease
                                    0.10
                                                0.90
```



Medical Exam

```
ftable(underwriting_grain$cptlist$M, row.vars = c('SS', 'SB', 'SH'))
##
                                      M Medical NoMedical
## SS
                          SH
               SB
                          Serious
                                                      0.01
   Serious
               Serious
                                           0.99
##
                          NotSerious
                                           0.85
                                                      0.15
               NotSerious Serious
##
                                           0.95
                                                      0.05
##
                          NotSerious
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##
                          NotSerious
                                           0.10
                                                      0.90
##
```



What is the unconditional probability of a medical exam finding something?

```
querygrain(underwriting_grain, nodes = 'M')$M
## M
## Medical NoMedical
## 0.177515 0.822485
```

Too high?

Probably flawed



Assess the Model

Declares a clean bill of health (DS = Nonsmoker, DB = Normal, DH = None)?

Assess the Model

Declares history of heart disease? (DH = HeartDisease)?

Assess the Model

Clean bill of health — are they dishonest?

Expanding the Model

Current model built by guessing CPTs

Use Data?

CPTs assist this - subsets of variables available

Bootstrap to assess calculation validity?



Expanding Variable Levels

Add states/levels to variables - HeartDisease?

Limitations:

- Model separately?
- CPT specification complicated
- More data



Add Variables

Add variables to model

- Family history?
- Work on honesty modelling
- Split exam types

Potential for bias



Further Uses

- Underwriting fraud for car insurance
- Claims fraud
- Product recommendations
- Problematic customers
- Regulatory issues



Beyond Bayesian Networks

Require categorical variables

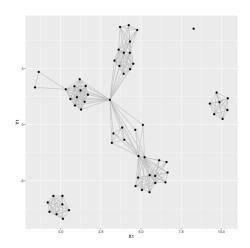
Binning continuous data loses information

- Markov Random Fields
- Chain graphs
- Conditional Random Fields

Semi-supervised Learning



One Last Thing...





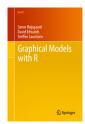
Conclusions

- Classification very difficult
- Highly speculative nowhere near production-ready
- Use as filter no automation
- Outputs often counter-intuitive
- Work unfinished lots more avenues to explore



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Further Resources



"Graphical Models with R" Søren Højsgaard.



"Probabalistic Graphical Models: Principles and Techniques" Koller and Friedman

Package Vignettes: gRain and gRbase

Coursera: Probabilistic Graphical Models https://www.coursera.org/course/pgm



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Slides and code available on GitHub: https://www.github.com/kaybenleroll/dublin_r_workshops

Blogpost Series:

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